

**ANALYTICAL REDUNDANCY OF ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS**  
**A FAILURE DETERMINATION & COMPENSATION SYSTEM**

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# AGENDA

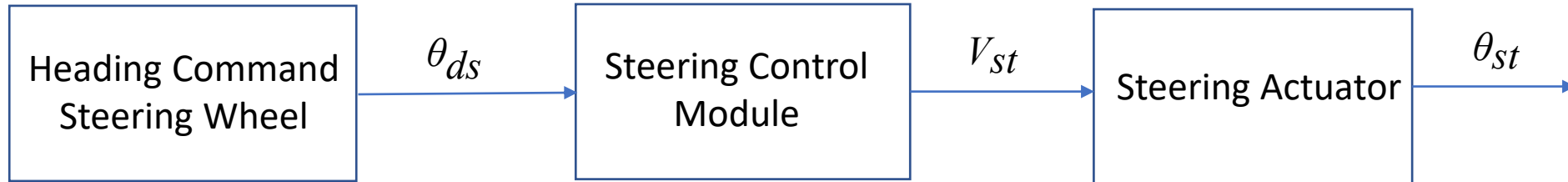
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# Introduction

Autonomous vehicles will require redundancy in their control mechanisms. This is a low cost analytical redundancy methodology that can be integrated into autonomous vehicle control systems. This system first monitors various vehicle control systems, identifying component or system failures, impending failures and time to failure. It then uses this information to warn the occupants of the failure while at the same time take action to compensate for the failure ensuring that a safe vehicle operating condition is maintained.

# Example of Technology Applied to Steering System

## First Look at a Basic Steer by Wire System



Wheels are pointed in a direction determined by the steering wheel

Output of steering actuator results in a steering angle that is proportional to steering wheel angle

That is:  $\theta_{ds} \propto \theta_{st}$

$$\theta_{ds} = K_a \theta_{st}$$

Where:

$\theta_{ds}$  = Desired steering angle

$V_{st}$  = Signal to steering actuator from steering control module

$\theta_{st}$  = Vehicle steering angle

$K_a$  = Steering actuator calibration

# Steering Example With Possible Sensor Error/Failure

Should include other device,  
e.g., radar, lidar, speed sensor

Electronic Map  
and calculation of  
desired heading

Measured Heading  
(e.g. GPS)

## Automatic Steering (no driver)

Steering Control  
Module

Steering Actuator &  
Vehicle Dynamics

$\theta_d$

$\theta_m$

$V_{st}$

$\theta$

Process in the Control  
Module

$$\epsilon = \theta_d - \theta_m$$

$$V_{st} = K_p \epsilon + K_I \int \epsilon dt$$

Standard control theory

Where  $\theta_d$  = Desired heading to  
remain on desired contour

$\theta_m$  = Measured heading

$\theta$  = Actual vehicle heading

$V_{st}$  = Input signal to actuator

## Steering Example

Looking at the potential failure of one element of the system – the Actual Heading determination device (GPS)

$\theta_m = \text{measured heading}$  Which may have an error

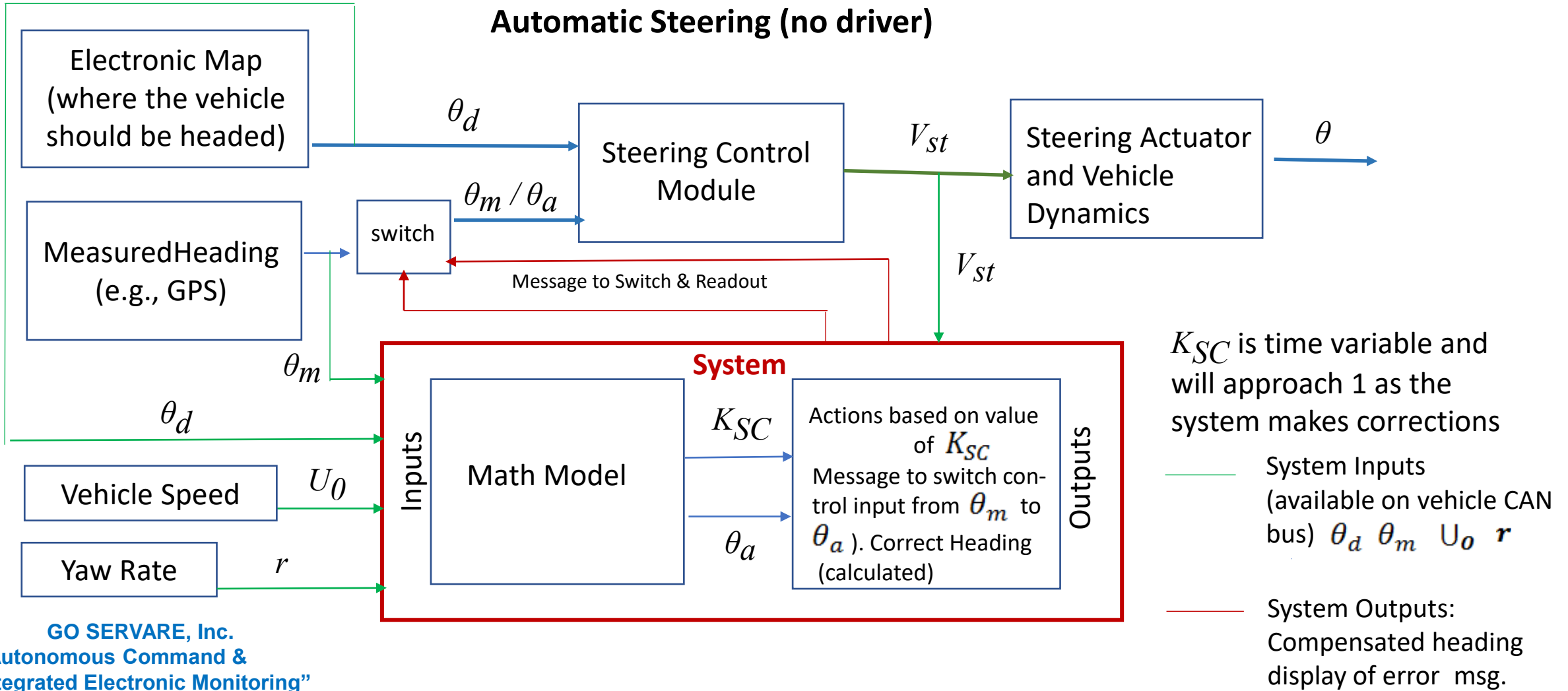
$\theta_m = K_S \theta$  Where:  $\theta = \text{actual heading}$

$K_S$  Is the ratio of the measured heading to the actual heading

For the case where:  $K_S = \frac{\theta_m}{\theta} = 1$  there is no error

**The goal of this technology is to determine  $K_S$  in real time (the failure indicating mechanism) and to compensate for the error to give the correct  $\theta_{st}$  (in this case to maintain the desired/safe heading).**

# Steering Example With Sensor Error



# Steering Example Simulation

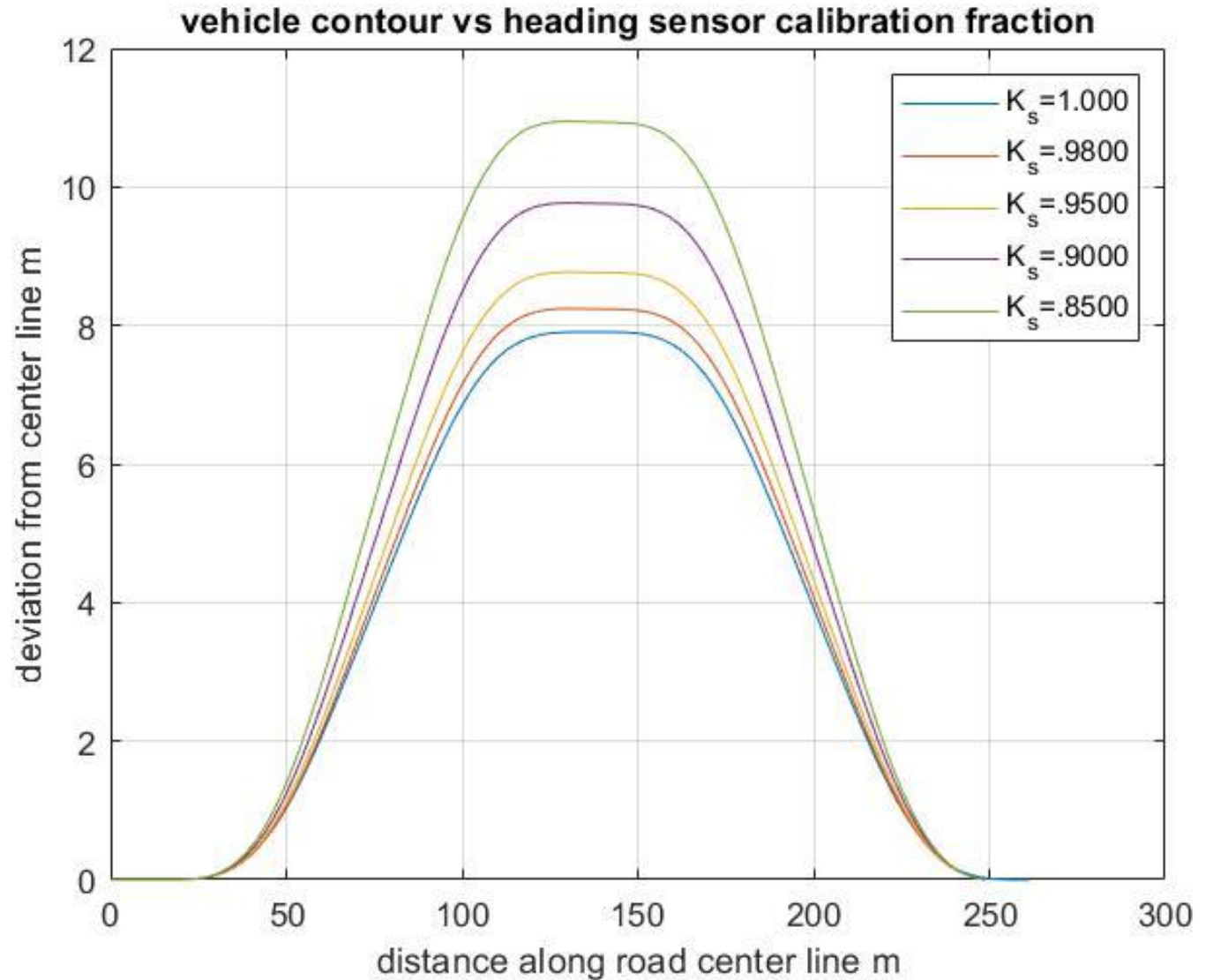
Demonstration

## Lincoln MKZ at Mcity

Note that when  $K_S = 1$  there is No error and thus this is the path that the vehicle should be taking when there is no error in the system.

The values of  $K_S \neq 1$  are simulated errors in the system which cause the vehicle to deviate from the proper path.

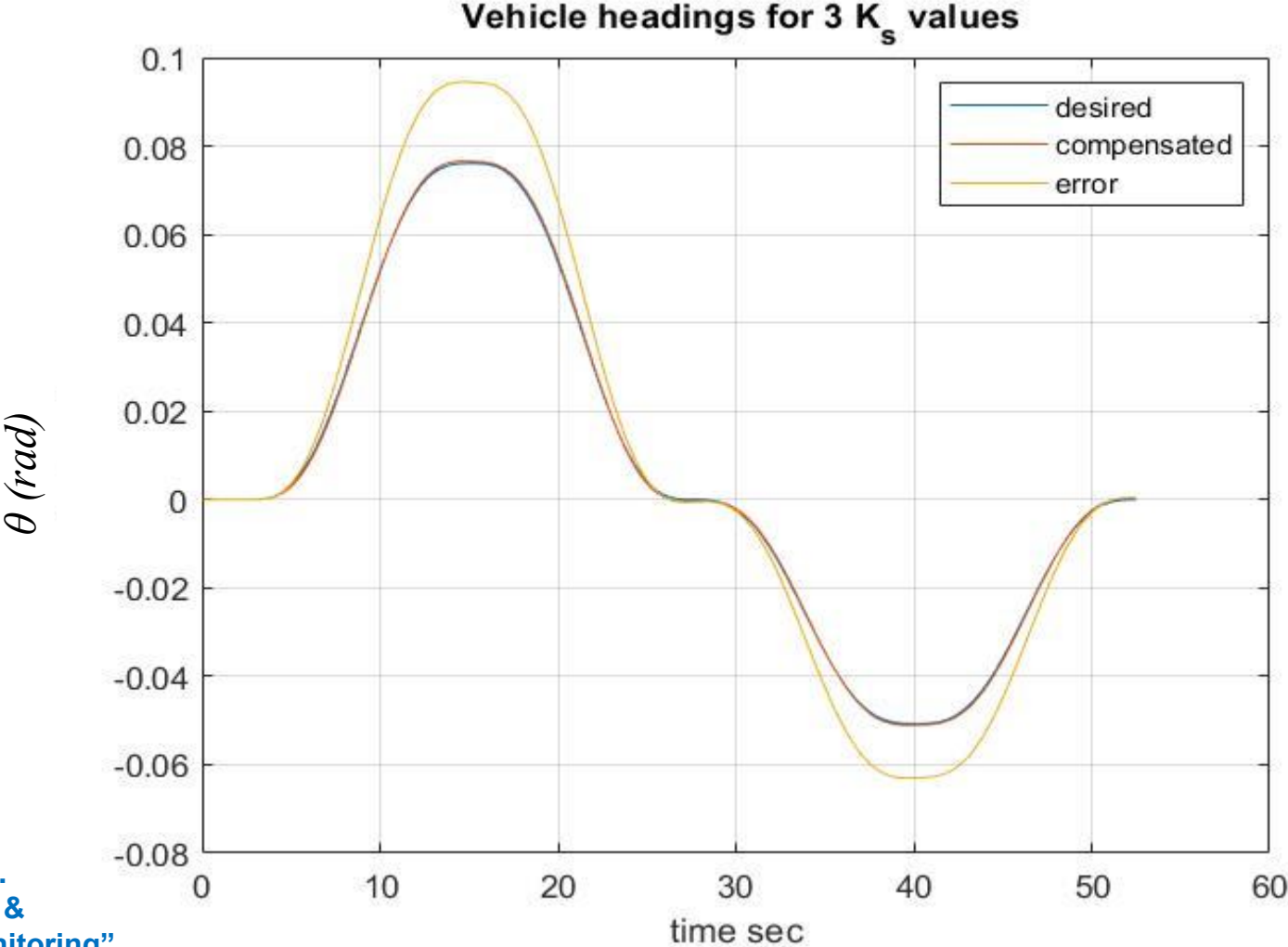
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# Steering Example With Sensor Error and Accurate Calculated Compensation of $\theta$

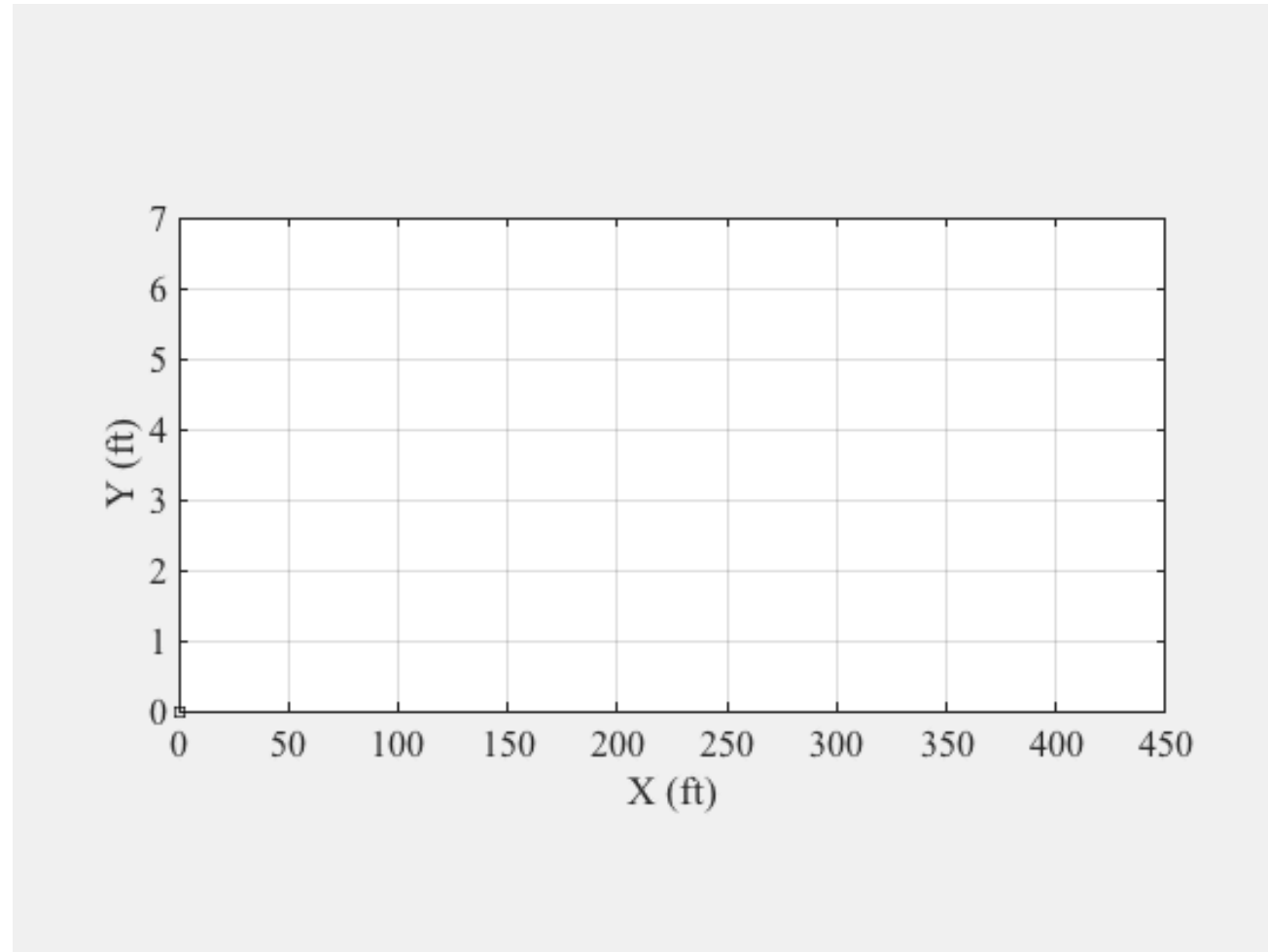
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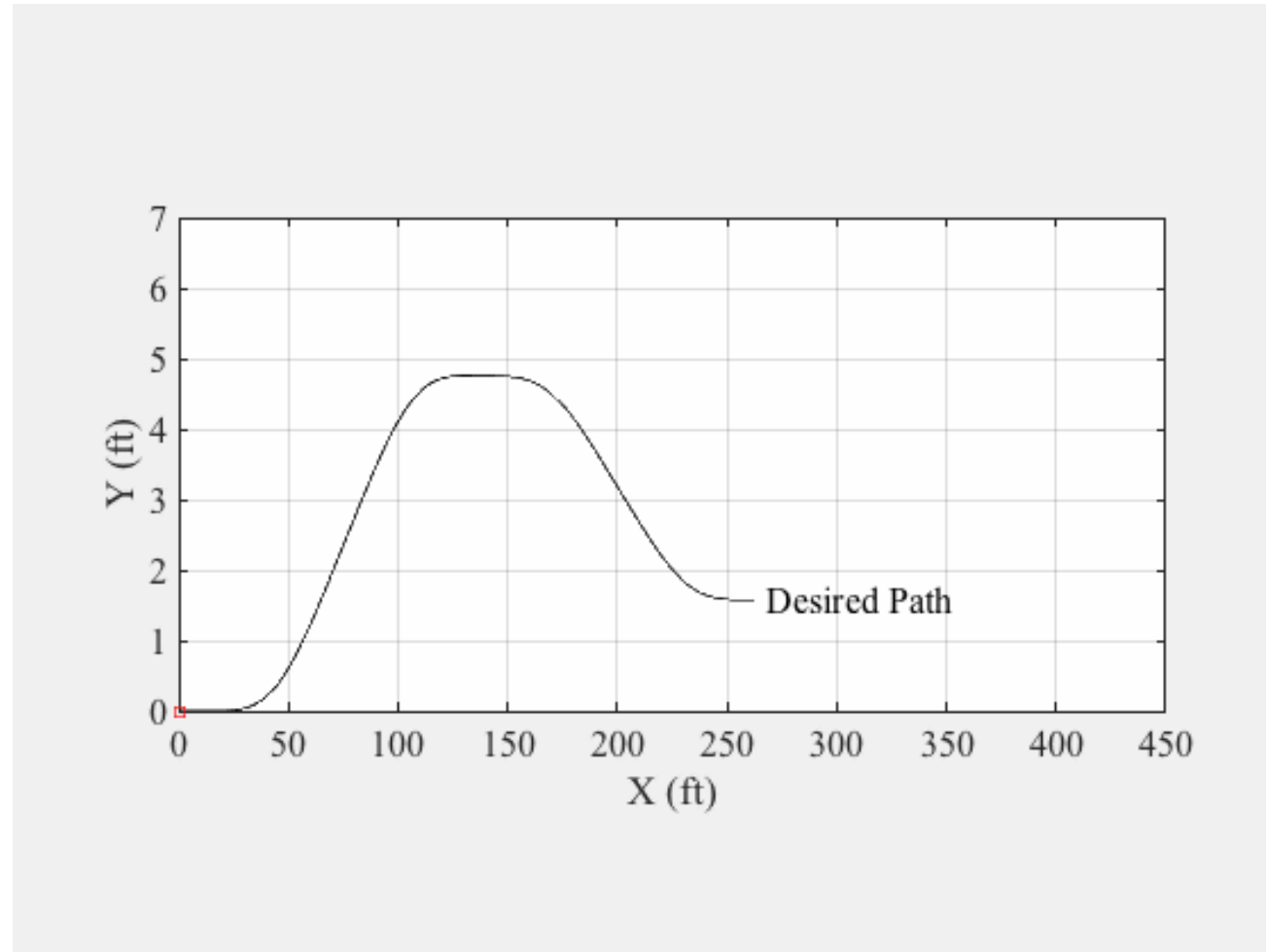
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Vehicle desired Path  
Perfect Sensor

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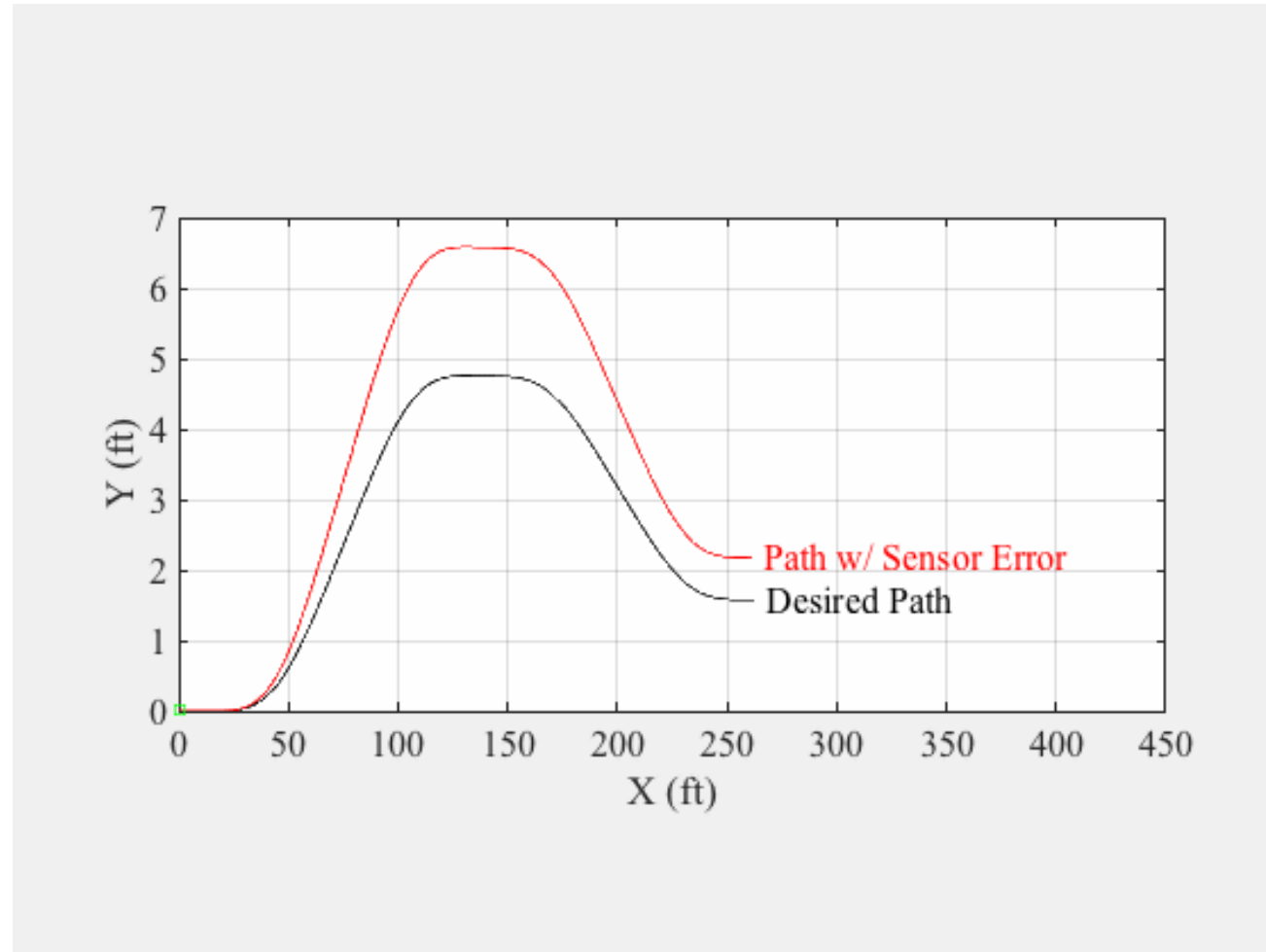


Vehicle desired Path  
Perfect Sensor

Vehicle Path deviation  
with failed Sensor

# ACTUAL ANIMATION From Demonstration DATA

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Vehicle desired Path  
Perfect Sensor

Vehicle Path deviation  
with failed Sensor

Vehicle Path with failed  
Sensor corrected by  
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# Intellectual Property

## 1. **62/605,429 Autonomous Vehicle Failure Detection System, OTT File: 2018-332**

The technology has demonstrated via simulation, that it can detect and uniquely identify failures in components or subsystems of vehicular electronic systems. This technology, which is euphemistically termed a Failure Detection System (FDS), clearly detects/identifies component/subsystem failures that are 1) complete/catastrophic failures, 2) intermittent failures and 3) failures resulting from the gradual degradation in the performance of a component.

Filing: PCT, May 2018

Inventor: William Ribbens

## 2. **62/602,876, Error Detection and Evaluation of Lidar/Radar Surveillance Systems for Vehicles, OTT File 2019-037**

The invention provides a means of precisely and accurately determining such errors in LIDAR/RADAR surveillance systems for vehicles. The invention has the capability of early detection of errors and in the case of gradual degradation in accuracy of the LIDAR/RADAR.

Filing: PCT, August 2018

Inventor: William Ribbens

**Thank You**