

Implement Standard UDS Diagnostics Over Can for Automotive Actuator ECU

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Abstract

Electronic control units (ECUs) are an integral part of modern vehicles, controlling everything from safety procedures and system diagnostics to engine optimization. These ECUs need to work flawlessly to keep the vehicle reliable and efficient. The aim of this project is to use Controller Area Network (CAN) and Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS) communication systems to diagnose ECUs in vehicles (specifically those that control the engine). The main goal of this project is to create a comprehensive diagnostic system specifically designed for vehicle ECUs with the aim of improving engine diagnostics and improving vehicle maintenance procedures. The project combines UDS and CAN, two communication methods widely used in the automotive industry, to achieve these goals and provide effective communication between diagnostic tools and ECUs.

Keywords: Electronic Control Unit (ECUs), Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS), Controller Area Network (CAN), Actuator ECUs.

I. INTRODUCTION

In the world of automobiles, making sure important components like Electronic Control Units (ECUs) is very much important. These ECUs control things like how the engine runs, how the transmission shifts gears, and even how the suspension adjusts to bumps in the road. To keep these parts running smoothly and fix any problems that come up, we need a way to check them that's the same for everyone and always works.

This is where having a standard way to diagnose and fix problems with ECUs becomes helpful. The development of software tools and hardware interfaces that enable real-time CAN bus connectivity with ECUs is one of the research topics. Actuator checks, broadcasting real-time data, and retrieving diagnostic trouble codes (DTCs) are all made simpler by this. Furthermore, sophisticated diagnostic algorithms analyze data from ECUs to efficiently identify issues with the motor and its associated systems. These algorithms are vital for detecting anomalies in sensors, engine misfires, and pollution problems.

The research also investigates to enhance the accuracy and speed of ECU diagnostics. More trustworthy information regarding the condition of the motor and other crucial vehicle components will be provided by this integration. The current automotive industry relies heavily on the Controller Area Network (CAN) protocol to facilitate data flow between ECUs, sensors, actuators, and diagnostic equipment. The

suggested implementation aims to create a dependable and effective communication channel for diagnostic purposes by utilizing the built-in capabilities of the CAN bus. This will allow for the quick and precise delivery of diagnostic commands and data. It is anticipated that this program will significantly enhance ECU diagnostic and maintenance capabilities, resulting in reduced repair costs, more dependable vehicles, and less downtime. Combining the CAN and UDS protocols offers a standardized and effective diagnostic approach that works with a variety of car makes and models. This study represents a substantial development in automotive technology and is consistent with the industry's continuous efforts to raise the bar for safety and vehicle performance.

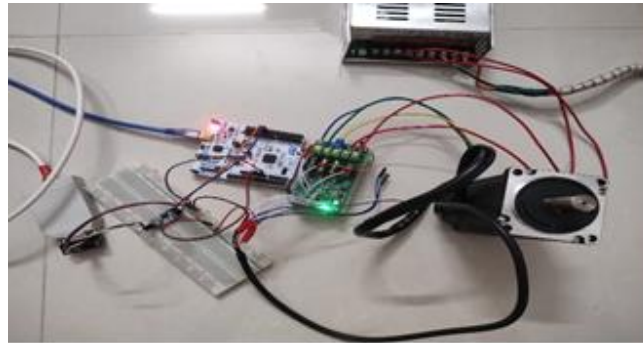


Fig.1. Hardware Implementation

Conformance to UDS standards also promotes compatibility and interoperability between different vehicle platforms and diagnostic equipment.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

In automotives, the literature survey focuses on an advantage of Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS) over the Controller Area Network (CAN) protocol, with a focus on actuator Electronic Control Units (ECUs). It shows the significance of standardized diagnostics and their improving vehicle safety, reliability, and maintenance efficiency. The study shows the project's objective to develop an effective UDS diagnostic system in order to help automotive professionals identify and fix problems more quickly, which will save downtime for vehicles and guarantee a better driving experience. It also indicates the industry's effort to improving car diagnostics for more dependable and safe transportation options.

The survey on brushless direct current (BLDC) motors shows how widely used they are in modern applications and how important it is to have accurate speed control, that can be achieved through proportional-integral-derivative (PID) controllers. It explains the basics of BLDC motor functioning, focusing on the advantages of these motors over traditional brushed DC motors in terms of durability, efficiency, and accurate supervision. Open-loop control, PID control, model predictive control (MPC), and reinforcement learning (RL) control are just a few of the approaches to controlling that are explored in this study with a focus on BLDC motors. These strategies are selected for their proper use for a variety of use cases as well as their ability to improve efficiency, safety, and reliability in automotive applications. The literature survey deals with the connection between microcontrollers and BLDC motors, with a particular focus on PID control techniques. It goes over the software and hardware components of BLDC motor speed control, focusing the need of feedback mechanisms such as phase and speed feedback for achieving peak performance. The paper highlights the adaptability of software-based control techniques made possible by microcontrollers may be, providing greater flexibility more programmable control features than hardware-based techniques. The literature review offers an in-depth overview of the value of UDS diagnostics in automotive engineering as well as the adaptability of BLDC motors for modern

applications. It shows how important increased control strategies and standardized diagnostic protocols are to improving vehicle performance, safety, and dependability and advancing automotive technology. The Controller Area Network (CAN) protocol was originally developed by Robert Bosch in 1986. The literature survey investigates use in automotive industry. It explains the communication-based protocol, broadcast nature of CAN, and message framing structure, including details about Start of Frame (SOF), Identifier, Data Length Code (DLC), and Error Detection methods like Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC). The survey explains the strong communication principles of CAN, which are established by ISO standards like ISO 11898. These concepts include the process for signal ranking, transfer knowledge, and layered design that go the Data-link and Physical layers.

The literature survey also explains advanced CAN protocol extensions, like the 2012 introduction of the CAN Flexible Data Rate (CAN FD) protocol, which provides enhanced data length, speed, reliability, and seamless change capabilities, and the CAN Transport Layer (CAN-TP) for sending large data payloads. It shows the uses of CAN FD frames in electric vehicles, ECU flashing, secure CAN bus communication, and other areas while providing information on how they function in comparison to Classical CAN frames. The report emphasizes how CAN communication is becoming more and more important in handling the complexity of modern automotive systems while maintaining efficiency, reliability, and security in data transfer.

The Unified Diagnostics Service (UDS) protocol which is standardized under ISO 14229 is essential for effective communication between diagnostic instruments and vehicle electronic control units (ECUs). Using a client-server architecture, it makes diagnostic tasks like code retrieval, ECU interrogation, and testing easier. By providing connectivity across several automobile platforms and diagnostic tools, UDS's standardized features such as communication control and diagnostic services improve diagnostic speed and accuracy. UDS is essential to modern automobile diagnostics since it operates over communication networks like as CAN, LIN and adapts to a wide range of vehicle frameworks with simplicity.

The PCI field, UDS Service Identity (SID), and Sub Function Byte are examples of includes that make up the UDS message structure, which offers an organized framework for diagnostic communication. UDS ensures reliable diagnostic interactions by offering effective error handling and feedback mechanisms through positive and negative responses. Also, diagnostic experts can benefit from a wide range of tools provided by UDS functional units, which are divided into tasks such as data transfer, input/output control, and diagnostics and communication management.

The significance of UDS in vehicle diagnostics is further shown by its application over the Controller Area Network (CAN). By utilizing the ISO 15765-2 Transport Protocol and the CAN physical layer, UDS provides reliable communication and message framing. UDS's adaptability in managing diagnostic sessions, ensuring data security, and managing communication settings can be seen by diagnostic services like Session Control, Security Access, and Communication Control. The UDS protocol shows out as an essential part of automotive diagnostics, providing a standardized and effective framework for identifying, maintaining, and diagnosing modern automobiles. Its ability to work with CAN communication interfaces and compliance to industry norms highlight how essential it is to maintaining the functionality and health of vehicles.

The microcontroller is a key component in the development of secure and efficient diagnostic solutions for modern automotive systems because of its great performance, low power consumption, and wide peripheral set. The STM32F446RE is used in UDS over CAN protocol primarily because of its ability

to adapt and compliance with automotive diagnostic requirements, as well as its seamless integration with CAN communication interfaces. It also provides reliable data transfer and message framing that is necessary for diagnostic communication. It shows how the STM32F446RE enables important UDS features like communication management, security access, and session control, which makes actuator ECUs more capable of extensive diagnostics. Also, it ensures efficient diagnosis and debugging of actuator ECU-related problems with its support for many diagnostic services and error handling techniques.

It also shows how important the STM32F446RE's hardware encryption abilities memory scalability, and real-time performance are for improving the security and efficiency of UDS implementations via CAN. Study also looks at software development processes and optimization techniques designed to take advantage of the microcontroller's capabilities for the best UDS performance. The STM32F446RE microcontroller is mentioned across as an essential component in UDS over CAN implementations for actuator ECUs, providing an essential basis for creating modern diagnostic solutions that satisfy the changing needs of the automobile sector.

III. METHODOLOGY

The methodology for implementing Standard Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS) over Controller Area Network (CAN) for automotive actuator Electronic Control Units (ECUs) involves several key steps. Firstly, in terms of hardware, a representative actuator ECU needs to be selected or a testing platform must be developed to perform the functionalities of a real ECU. A CAN interface adapter is then chosen to establish communication between the ECU or platform and a computer. For software, a UDS diagnostic tool capable of sending and receiving UDS messages over CAN is utilized, along with a suitable development environment for programming the actuator ECU software, such as a C compiler and Integrated Development Environment (IDE).

In the ECU software development phase, the focus lies on implementing the Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS) protocol stack within the software of the Electronic Control Unit (ECU). This includes establishing mechanisms to handle incoming UDS requests and generate appropriate responses. Each defined UDS service is then addressed individually. For data reading/writing services, specific functions are developed to access and manipulate the relevant data stored within the ECU.

Concurrently, for actuator control services, the software uses logic to decode received commands and translate them into workable actuator control signals, thereby providing control over the actuator's nature. Additionally, error handling

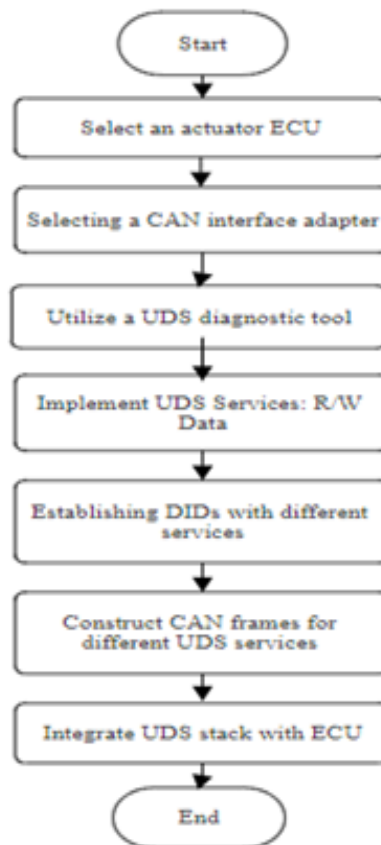


Fig.2. Flowchart

mechanisms are implemented to address invalid requests or unexpected conditions, ensuring the reliability and stability of the overall system.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The project finalization focuses on the diagnostics of modern vehicles ECUs, represents a major role in automotive technology. By combining the Unified Diagnostic Services (UDS) and Controller Area Network (CAN) communication protocols and creating advanced software tools and hardware interfaces, the research has produced concrete outcomes that are intended to improve vehicle reliability, reduce downtime, and simplifies maintenance operations. The project main goal is to provide an in-depth diagnostic framework developed for automobile ECUs, with a focus on controlling vehicle operations. This framework is currently a solid and efficient tool for identifying a wide range of problems affecting the motor and related systems. Automobile professionals can now perform actuator testing with new ease and accuracy for communication capabilities over the CAN bus.

These developments have significant effect on the automotive sector. The effort makes an important contribution to reduced repair costs, less downtime, and greater vehicle reliability by improving ECU diagnostics and maintenance. Additionally, the UDS and CAN protocols standardized and effective approach provides use for a wide range of car makes and models, increasing similarity in diagnostic processes. The project results entirely, mark an important advance in automotive technology and are consistent with the industry's continuous search for higher vehicle performance and safety requirements. The benefits of implementing these innovations by manufacturers helps to create a future where safety, efficiency, and durability come together to transform driving for everyone.

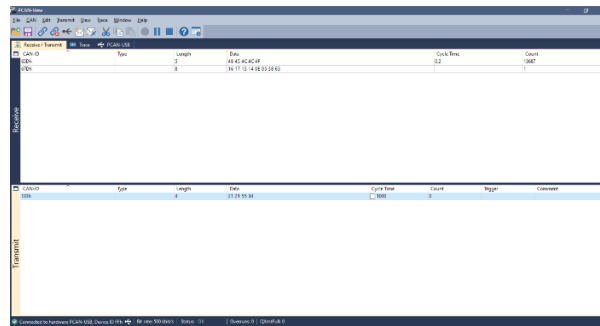


Fig.3. CAN Transmission and Reception

V. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the implementation of UDS diagnostics for actuator ECUs is a significant development in the automotive sector that has numerous advantages ranging from improved vehicle safety and dependability to more effective maintenance. By adopting this strategy, technicians can identify and fix problems with more speed and accuracy, reducing vehicle downtime and improving the driving experience for customers. Additionally, this research aligns with industry goals to improve and standardize car diagnostics. An important step toward ensuring safer and more dependable transportation solutions is taken by the car industry with the establishment of a standard structure for diagnosing actuator ECUs. In addition to ease of maintenance and services, this uniform approach provides continuous improvement culture, which provides insights in automotive technology and increases customer in the reliability of today automobiles. Moreover, this project not only supports specific automobiles, rather they support a shared vision of a system for transport that is safer and more effective. The industry as whole is impacted by use of UDS diagnostics for actuator ECUs by automobiles. This creates an innovative culture that benefits drivers and passengers globally. UDS diagnostics for actuator ECUs, in short, represent the industry's approach to using modern technology in order to improve vehicle safety, dependability, and maintenance procedures.

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