

Remote Location Of Land Mines

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SUMMARY

In this study, a remotely controlled 4x4 toy jeep (car) was used to locate land mines. It performs autonomous mine search operations by means of a metal detector placed on the car. The car is operated remotely by an operator via the receiver placed on it. The metal sensor placed in the vehicle detects the location of the mine by giving a signal.

KEYWORDS: Mine detector, car, receiver and transmitter

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I. INTRODUCTION

The fact that mine production is getting easier and it is a highly effective defense weapon has made the use of mines widespread. Placing mines in a geographic area requires less effort than detecting and then destroying them [1]. A version of the semi-autonomous minesweeper is also described by Ishikawa et al. given in the work of [2]. Operators using this robot evaluate whether a shadow in the picture is a real mine by looking at the underground image pictures [3]. There have also been studies on detecting and neutralizing mines using high pressure water [4]. Another robot used in mine clearance for humanitarian purposes is the work of Gonzalez et al [5]. In addition, there are military studies conducted for faster route planning [6,7]. A Cartesian platform has also been proposed for landmine detection. In this study, the robot can regulate the position of mine clearance sensors while searching for mines [8,9]. There are also airborn methods to solve the minesweeping problem for humanitarian purposes [10,11]. Landmines, which are used around the world to deter the enemy and reduce their mobility, pose a serious threat and danger to both people and vehicles [12]. There are many studies on mine scanning and bomb disposal systems, and in such applications, short-range and low-security communication methods such as RF or infrared are generally preferred [13].

With this study, the location of explosive objects was determined and the damage they would cause when they exploded were prevented. Metal detector was used because explosive materials are composed of metal materials. The working principle of the metal detector is related to the magnetic field change. When the metal detector detects the metal, its magnetic field is disturbed and the metal detector connected to it gives an audible response thanks to the speaker in the circuit. BFO (Beat Frequency Oscillator) type metal detector was used in this study. The metal detector used can find mines under the ground at a distance of up to about 30 cm. A continuous wave metal detector operating in the frequency range of 400Hz-420Hz with remote controlled mine detection has been designed.

II. MATERIALS USED IN REMOTE CONTROL APPLICATION OF MINE

In the project, an attempt was made to design a metal detector that detects explosives. Its design was analyzed in two parts. Part 1 is the hardware and design phase. The second part is the assembly stage. During the hardware and assembly phase, how each part is used was explained.

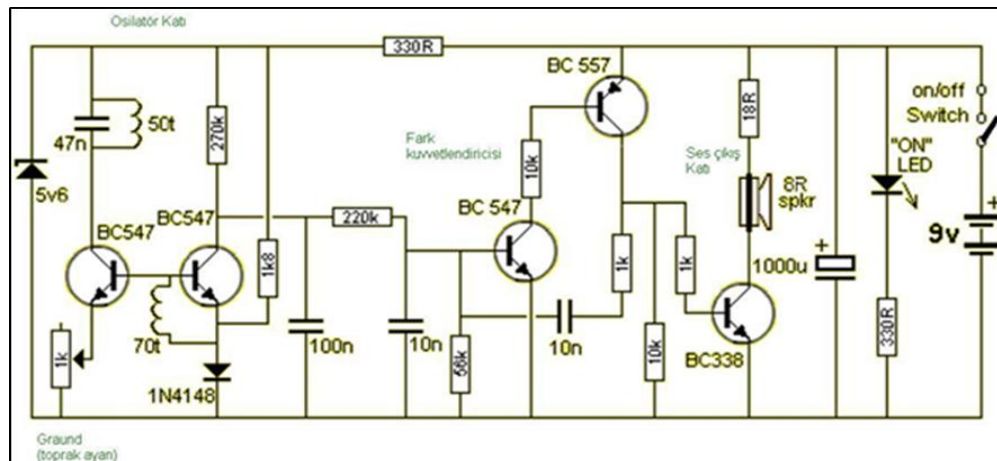


Figure 2.1. BFO (BeatFrequencyOscillator) circuitused in thisstudy.



Figure 2.2. Completedstate of thecircuit



Figure 2.3. Ourcircuitmounted on thevehicle

III. CONCLUSION

In the study, explosives were detected remotely with a remote-controlled vehicle. Detection of mines was carried out with the metal sensor placed in the vehicle. The working principle of the magnetic detector gives an audible response thanks to the speaker in the circuit as a result of the deterioration of the magnetic field. Without our vehicle, which enables movement in difficult terrain conditions, mines at a distance of up to 30 cm were detected. It has been tried on asphalt and similar land types and successful results have been obtained. BFO (Beat Frequency Oscillator) type metal detector was used in this study. With this prototype vehicle we made, mines were detected by making our circuit more useful and efficient with today's technology.

It has been tested in different field conditions as seen in the figure. Metal object was detected from 30 cm in dry soil. A metal object was detected from 25 cm on the wet floor. Tests have been carried out successfully in asphalt, rough terrain and other different environments and the results have been obtained.



Figure 3.1. Mine detection of the vehicle in different terrain conditions



Figure 3.2. Operation of the vehicle in different terrain conditions

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