

src/main.cpp

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1  #include <Arduino.h>
2  #include <AccelStepper.h>
3  #include <Bounce2.h>
4  #include <SolarCalculator.h>
5  #include <Timelib.h>
6
7  // === Pin Definitions ===
8
9  // Gnomon motor (Motor 2)
10 #define GNOMON_STEP_PIN 27    // DRV8825 STEP (Gnomon motor)
11 #define GNOMON_DIR_PIN 32     // DRV8825 DIR (Gnomon motor)
12 #define GNOMON_EN_PIN 25      // DRV8825 EN (Gnomon motor)
13 AccelStepper gnomonMotor(AccelStepper::DRIVER, GNOMON_STEP_PIN, GNOMON_DIR_PIN);
14 int gnomonZeroPosition = 0;
15
16 // Base motor (Motor 1)
17 #define BASE_STEP_PIN 14       // DRV8825 STEP (Base motor)
18 #define BASE_DIR_PIN 12        // DRV8825 DIR (Base motor)
19 #define BASE_EN_PIN 13        // DRV8825 EN (Base motor)
20 AccelStepper baseMotor(AccelStepper::DRIVER, BASE_STEP_PIN, BASE_DIR_PIN);
21
22 // Light Dependent Resistors (LDR)
23 #define LDR_RIGHT_PIN 34       // Photocell (LDR) right side
24 #define LDR_LEFT_PIN 26       // Photocell (LDR) left side
25
26 // Limit switch
27 #define LIMIT_SWITCH_PIN 5     // Limit switch (Normally Open)
28
29 // LEDs
30 #define LED_GREEN_PIN 18       // Green LED (anode)
31 #define LED_YELLOW_PIN 19      // Yellow LED (anode)
32 #define LED_RED_PIN 21        // Red LED (anode)
33
34 // Pushbuttons
35 #define BUTTON_GREEN_PIN 4     // Green pushbutton
36 #define BUTTON_RED_PIN 2      // Red pushbutton
37
38 Bounce greenButton = Bounce();
39 Bounce redButton = Bounce();
40
41 //Sun position values
42 double latitude = 56.5047;     // Your latitude
43 double longitude = 21.0108;    // Your longitude
44 int utc_offset = 3;           // Local time zone offset
45
46 // Set manually:
47 int setHour = 5;
48 int setMinute = 50;
49 int setSecond = 0;
50 int setDay = 1;
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51  int setMonth = 6;
52  int setYear = 2025;
53
54  double sunAzimuth = 0.0;
55  int azimuthTarget = 0;
56
57  //Serial send delay
58  unsigned long lastDataSendTime = 0;
59  const unsigned long dataSendInterval = 1000; // send every 1000 ms = 1 second
60
61  //Serial communication data
62  bool timeReceived = false;
63  bool locationReceived = false;
64
65  //Serial Commands
66  /*
67
68  TIME:12,0,0,1,6,2025
69  LOC:56.946,24.105
70  */
71
72  // System states
73  enum SystemState {
74      SYSTEM_OFF,
75      SYSTEM_ON,
76      SYSTEM_PAUSED,
77      SYSTEM_RESET
78  };
79
80  SystemState currentState = SYSTEM_OFF;
81
82  //Substates
83  enum SystemSubState {
84      STEP_ZERO_GNOMON,
85      STEP_ZERO_BASE,
86      SUN_TRACKING,
87      STEP_ROTATE_BASE,
88      STEP_ROTATE_GNOMON,
89      STEP_DONE
90  };
91
92  SystemSubState subState = STEP_ZERO_GNOMON;
93
94  // AS5600 Analog Outputs
95  #define AS5600_GNOMON_PIN 33 // Gnomon AS5600 analog out
96  #define AS5600_BASE_PIN 35 // Base AS5600 analog out
97  const int BASE_SENSOR_OFFSET = -120; // Opposite of 2700 on a 12-bit scale
98
99  // Solar positioning values
100  int SunOffsetAmount = round(90 * (4096.0 / 360.0)); // Sun axiom Offset angle
101  int gnomonOffsetAmount = (round(-(latitude-11.77)) * (4096.0 / 360.0)); // Gnomon
Offset angle
102  int gnomonZeroTarget = round(-220 * (4096.0 / 360.0)); // Gnomon Zero target angle

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103     const int baseZeroTarget = 2150; // or whatever value you consider zero
104
105 int readBaseSensorOffset() {
106     int raw = analogRead(AS5600_BASE_PIN);
107     return (raw + BASE_SENSOR_OFFSET + 4096) % 4096;
108 }
109
110 struct MotorRotationState {
111     bool started = false;
112     bool complete = false;
113     int startingPosition = 0;
114 };
115
116 MotorRotationState baseOffsetState;
117 MotorRotationState gnomonOffsetState;
118 MotorRotationState gnomonTargetState;
119 MotorRotationState baseZeroState;
120 MotorRotationState baseTrackingState;
121
122 void resetMotorStates() {
123     baseOffsetState.started = false;
124     baseOffsetState.complete = false;
125
126     gnomonOffsetState.started = false;
127     gnomonOffsetState.complete = false;
128
129     gnomonTargetState.started = false;
130     gnomonTargetState.complete = false;
131
132     baseZeroState.started = false;
133     baseZeroState.complete = false;
134
135     baseTrackingState.started = false;
136     baseTrackingState.complete = false;
137 }
138
139 bool trackLightSource(AccelStepper &motor, int ldrLeftPin, int ldrRightPin,
MotorRotationState &state) {
140     const int tolerance = 5;
141     const int minBrightness = 2000;
142     const float brightnessThresholdRatio = 0.8;
143     static int maxBrightnessSeen = 0;
144     static unsigned long lastMaxUpdate = 0;
145
146     if (state.complete) return true;
147
148     if (!state.started) {
149         motor.setMaxSpeed(200);
150         state.started = true;
151         Serial.println("Light tracking started...");
152     }
153
154     int leftValue = analogRead(ldrLeftPin);

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155     int rightValue = analogRead(ldrRightPin);
156     int maxCurrent = (leftValue + rightValue)/2;
157
158     // Update peak brightness
159     if (millis() - lastMaxUpdate > 60000 || maxCurrent > maxBrightnessSeen) {
160         maxBrightnessSeen = maxCurrent;
161         lastMaxUpdate = millis();
162     }
163
164     int brightnessThreshold = brightnessThresholdRatio * maxBrightnessSeen;
165
166     Serial.print("LDR Left: ");
167     Serial.print(leftValue);
168     Serial.print(" | LDR Right: ");
169     Serial.print(rightValue);
170     Serial.print(" | Max seen: ");
171     Serial.print(maxBrightnessSeen);
172     Serial.print(" | Required: ");
173     Serial.println(brightnessThreshold);
174
175     int difference = leftValue - rightValue;
176
177     // Check if aligned and bright enough
178     if (
179         abs(difference) <= tolerance &&
180         leftValue >= minBrightness &&
181         rightValue >= minBrightness &&
182         maxCurrent >= brightnessThreshold
183     ) {
184         motor.stop();
185         state.complete = true;
186         delay(2000);
187         Serial.println("Light tracking complete.");
188         return true;
189     }
190
191     // Keep moving toward brighter side
192     motor.setSpeed(difference > 0 ? -50 : 50);
193     motor.runSpeed();
194     return false;
195 }
196
197 bool rotateMotorByOffset(AccelStepper &motor, int sensorPin, int offsetAngle,
198 MotorRotationState &state, int maxSpeed = 200, int moveSpeed = 100, int tolerance = 2)
199 {
200     if (state.complete) return true;
201
202     if (!state.started) {
203         motor.setMaxSpeed(maxSpeed);
204         state.startingPosition = analogRead(sensorPin);
205         state.started = true;
206
207         Serial.print("Starting position: ");

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206     Serial.println(state.startingPosition);
207     Serial.println("Rotating motor by offset...");
208 }
209
210 int currentPosition = analogRead(sensorPin);
211 int targetPosition = (state.startingPosition + offsetAngle + 4096) % 4096;
212
213 int difference = (targetPosition - currentPosition + 4096) % 4096;
214 if (difference > 2048) difference -= 4096;
215
216 Serial.print("Current: ");
217 Serial.print(currentPosition);
218 Serial.print(" | Target: ");
219 Serial.print(targetPosition);
220 Serial.print(" | Diff: ");
221 Serial.println(difference);
222
223 if (abs(difference) <= tolerance) {
224     motor.stop();
225     state.complete = true;
226     Serial.println("Offset rotation complete.");
227     return true;
228 }
229
230 motor.setSpeed(difference > 0 ? -moveSpeed : moveSpeed);
231 motor.runSpeed();
232 return false;
233 }
234
235 bool rotateMotorToPosition(AccelStepper &motor, int sensorPin, int targetPosition,
MotorRotationState &state) {
236     const int tolerance = 2;
237
238     if (state.complete) return true;
239
240     if (!state.started) {
241         motor.setMaxSpeed(200);
242         state.started = true;
243         Serial.print("Target Position: ");
244         Serial.println(targetPosition);
245     }
246
247     int currentPosition = analogRead(sensorPin);
248     int difference = (targetPosition - currentPosition + 4096) % 4096;
249     if (difference > 2048) difference -= 4096;
250
251     Serial.print("Current: ");
252     Serial.print(currentPosition);
253     Serial.print(" | Target: ");
254     Serial.print(targetPosition);
255     Serial.print(" | Diff: ");
256     Serial.println(difference);
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258     if (abs(difference) <= tolerance) {
259         motor.stop();
260         state.complete = true;
261         Serial.println("Motor reached target position.");
262         return true;
263     }
264
265     motor.setSpeed(difference > 0 ? -100 : 100);
266     motor.runSpeed();
267     return false;
268 }
269
270 void checkButtons() {
271     greenButton.update();
272     redButton.update();
273
274     static unsigned long redPressStart = 0;
275     static bool redHoldChecked = false;
276
277     bool greenPressed = greenButton.read() == HIGH;
278     bool redPressed = redButton.read() == HIGH;
279
280     // Handle both buttons for system reset
281     if (greenPressed && redPressed) {
282         currentState = SYSTEM_RESET;
283         Serial.println("System RESET");
284         digitalWrite(LED_GREEN_PIN, HIGH);
285         digitalWrite(LED_YELLOW_PIN, HIGH);
286         digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, HIGH);
287         return;
288     }
289
290     // Green button press
291     if (greenButton.rose() && !redPressed) {
292         currentState = SYSTEM_ON;
293         Serial.println("System ON");
294     }
295
296     // Red button press
297     if (redButton.rose()) {
298         currentState = SYSTEM_PAUSED;
299         redPressStart = millis();
300         redHoldChecked = false;
301         Serial.println("System PAUSED");
302     }
303
304     // Check if red has been held for 3 seconds
305     if (redPressed && currentState == SYSTEM_PAUSED && !redHoldChecked) {
306         if (millis() - redPressStart >= 3000) {
307             currentState = SYSTEM_OFF;
308             redHoldChecked = true;
309             Serial.println("System OFF (long hold)");
310         }

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311     }
312
313     // Reset the flag if red is released
314     if (redButton.rose()) {
315         redHoldChecked = false;
316     }
317 }
318
319 void calculateSunAzimuth() {
320     // Set system time
321     setTime(setHour, setMinute, setSecond, setDay, setMonth, setYear);
322     time_t utc = now();
323
324     double elevation;
325     calcHorizontalCoordinates(utc, (round(-(latitude-11.77)) * (4096.0 / 360.0)),
longitude, sunAzimuth, elevation);
326
327     Serial.print("Sun Azimuth: ");
328     Serial.print(sunAzimuth);
329     Serial.println("");
330
331     // Convert to sensor units (0-4096)
332     azimuthTarget = round((sunAzimuth / 360.0) * 4096.0);
333     Serial.print("Sensor units: ");
334     Serial.println(azimuthTarget);
335 }
336
337 void parseSerialCommand(const String& input) {
338     if (input.startsWith("TIME:")) {
339         sscanf(input.c_str(), "TIME:%d,%d,%d,%d,%d,%d",
340             &setHour, &setMinute, &setSecond, &setDay, &setMonth, &setYear);
341
342         timeReceived = true;
343         Serial.println("Time variables updated.");
344     }
345     else if (input.startsWith("LOC:")) {
346         sscanf(input.c_str(), "LOC:%lf,%lf", &latitude, &longitude);
347         locationReceived = true;
348         Serial.println("Location variables updated.");
349     }
350     else {
351         Serial.println("Unknown command.");
352     }
353 }
354
355 void receiveSerialData() {
356     static String inputBuffer = "";
357
358     while (Serial.available()) {
359         char c = Serial.read();
360
361         if (c == '\n') {
362             // Process complete input line

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363     parseSerialCommand(inputBuffer);
364     inputBuffer = "";
365 } else {
366     inputBuffer += c;
367 }
368 }
369 }
370
371 void sendSystemData() {
372     // Get current time from TimeLib
373     char nowTimestamp[20];
374     snprintf(nowTimestamp, sizeof(nowTimestamp), "%04d-%02d-%02d %02d:%02d:%02d",
375             year(), month(), day(), hour(), minute(), second());
376
377     time_t utc = now();
378     double elevation;
379     calcHorizontalCoordinates(utc, round(-(latitude-11.77) * (4096.0 / 360.0)),
longitude, sunAzimuth, elevation);
380
381     // Begin with identifiable prefix
382     Serial.print("DATA:");
383
384     // Send CSV-formatted line over Serial
385     Serial.print(nowTimestamp); Serial.print(",");
386     Serial.print(latitude); Serial.print(",");
387     Serial.print(longitude); Serial.print(",");
388     Serial.print(sunAzimuth); Serial.print(",");
389     Serial.print(analogRead(LDR_LEFT_PIN)); Serial.print(",");
390     Serial.print(analogRead(LDR_RIGHT_PIN)); Serial.print(",");
391     Serial.print(readBaseSensorOffset()); Serial.print(",");
392
393     // Send system state as a string
394     switch (currentState) {
395         case SYSTEM_OFF:    Serial.println("SYSTEM_OFF"); break;
396         case SYSTEM_ON:     Serial.println("SYSTEM_ON"); break;
397         case SYSTEM_PAUSED: Serial.println("SYSTEM_PAUSED"); break;
398         case SYSTEM_RESET:  Serial.println("SYSTEM_RESET"); break;
399     }
400 }
401
402 // === Setup ===
403 void setup() {
404     Serial.begin(115200);
405
406     // Initialize LED pins
407     pinMode(LED_GREEN_PIN, OUTPUT);
408     pinMode(LED_YELLOW_PIN, OUTPUT);
409     pinMode(LED_RED_PIN, OUTPUT);
410
411     // Example: Turn all LEDs off at startup
412     digitalWrite(LED_GREEN_PIN, LOW);
413     digitalWrite(LED_YELLOW_PIN, LOW);
414     digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, LOW);

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467     digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, LOW);
468     if (rotateMotorToPosition(baseMotor, AS5600_BASE_PIN, baseZeroTarget,
baseZeroState)) {
469         delay(1000);
470         subState = SUN_TRACKING;
471     }
472     break;
473
474     case SUN_TRACKING:
475         digitalWrite(LED_GREEN_PIN, LOW);
476         digitalWrite(LED_YELLOW_PIN, HIGH);
477         digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, LOW);
478         if (trackLightSource(baseMotor, LDR_LEFT_PIN, LDR_RIGHT_PIN,
baseTrackingState)) {
479             subState = STEP_ROTATE_BASE; // Or whatever comes next
480         }
481         break;
482
483     case STEP_ROTATE_BASE:
484         digitalWrite(LED_GREEN_PIN, LOW);
485         digitalWrite(LED_YELLOW_PIN, HIGH);
486         digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, LOW);
487         if (rotateMotorByOffset(baseMotor, AS5600_BASE_PIN, azimuthTarget,
baseOffsetState)) {
488             subState = STEP_ROTATE_GNOMON;
489         }
490         break;
491
492     case STEP_ROTATE_GNOMON:
493         digitalWrite(LED_GREEN_PIN, LOW);
494         digitalWrite(LED_YELLOW_PIN, HIGH);
495         digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, LOW);
496         if (rotateMotorByOffset(gnomonMotor, AS5600_GNOMON_PIN, gnomonOffsetAmount,
gnomonOffsetState)) {
497             subState = STEP_DONE;
498         }
499         break;
500
501     case STEP_DONE:
502         // System is now fully set up
503         digitalWrite(LED_GREEN_PIN, HIGH);
504         digitalWrite(LED_YELLOW_PIN, LOW);
505         digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, LOW);
506         Serial.println("All system tasks complete.");
507         break;
508     }
509     break;
510
511     case SYSTEM_PAUSED:
512         digitalWrite(LED_GREEN_PIN, LOW);
513         digitalWrite(LED_YELLOW_PIN, HIGH);
514         digitalWrite(LED_RED_PIN, LOW);
515         break;

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516
517     case SYSTEM_RESET:
518         // Reset everything
519         resetMotorStates();
520         timeReceived = false;
521         locationReceived = false;
522         subState = STEP_ZERO_GNOMON;
523         break;
524     }
525     if (millis() - lastDataSendTime >= dataSendInterval) {
526         lastDataSendTime = millis();
527         sendSystemData();
528     }
529 }
530
531
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