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ABSTRACT

This project is designed to enhance mobility and personal safety for individuals with visual impairments, women, and children by integrating an Arduino Uno-based assistive and tracking system. The system consists of two primary functionalities: obstacle detection and real-time tracking. In the first functionality, a touch sensor embedded in the sole activates an ultrasonic sensor, which continuously detects obstacles within a 50 cm range. Upon detection, a buzzer alerts the user, providing immediate awareness of nearby objects, thereby enhancing navigation and spatial awareness. The second functionality focuses on real-time tracking and emergency response. The system includes a pressure sensor, GPS tracker, GSM module, and Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) module, ensuring accurate location tracking. When the pressure sensor detects a force of 700 or more, the GPS module extracts the current latitude and longitude coordinates. These coordinates, along with a Google Maps link, are then transmitted via the GSM module through an SMS alert. Additionally, the live location data is displayed on an LCD screen and shared via an IoT-based mobile application using BLE, allowing caregivers or emergency responders to monitor the user's location in real time. This cost-effective and user-friendly system significantly enhances safety, providing both proactive obstacle detection and efficient tracking capabilities. It is particularly beneficial for individuals with vision impairments by assisting in navigation and for women and children's safety by enabling rapid location sharing during emergencies. The integration of IoT connectivity enhances accessibility, allowing caregivers to receive real-time alerts and track the user's movements remotely. Additionally, the modular design enables easy customization and scalability, making it adaptable to various user needs. Furthermore, the system incorporates power-efficient components and optimized data transmission techniques to ensure long-term usability without frequent recharging. The adaptive power management system dynamically adjusts energy consumption based on real-time usage, significantly extending battery life. Low-power communication protocols, such **as** Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) and optimized GSM transmission**,** minimize energy drain while maintaining reliable connectivity

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INTRODUCTION

1.1 SMART SHOE: ADVANCING INDEPENDENCE AND SECURITY THROUGH TECHNOLOGY

In today’s world, ensuring the safety and independence of visually impaired individuals and women is a significant concern. Blind individuals frequently encounter difficulties when navigating unfamiliar places, which increases their risk of accidents due to unseen obstacles. Likewise, women’s safety remains a pressing issue, particularly when they find themselves alone or in potentially dangerous situations. The demand for accessible, effective, and affordable safety solutions for these vulnerable groups has never been greater.

For visually impaired individuals, daily activities can be challenging as they struggle to detect obstacles in their surroundings. While traditional mobility aids such as canes offer some assistance, they may not be sufficient in complex or crowded environments. Navigating busy streets, unfamiliar spaces, or congested areas can pose significant risks without additional support. Similarly, women may find themselves in situations where they need immediate assistance but lack a quick and discreet way to signal for help. Many existing safety solutions are either too expensive or overly complex, making them impractical for those who need them the most.

The inspiration behind the **Smart Shoe** project is to enhance security and improve the quality of life for both visually impaired individuals and women. Technology offers an opportunity to address real-world challenges in a practical, cost-effective manner. This project seeks to provide a solution that not only supports blind individuals in navigating their surroundings more confidently but also enables women to quickly and efficiently alert others in emergencies.

Smart Shoe marks a step toward a future where technology plays a key role in enhancing safety and security

1.2 PROJECT OBJECTIVES: INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY FOR SAFETY

1. Enhanced Navigation for the Visually Impaired

- Assist visually impaired users by integrating an ultrasonic sensor for obstacle detection.
- Activate a buzzer alert when an obstacle is detected within a predefined range, allowing safe and independent movement.
- Utilize a touch sensor in the sole to activate the ultrasonic sensor only when required, conserving battery life.

2. Personal Safety for Women and Children

- Enable real-time location tracking using a GPS module to provide continuous updates.
- Implement a pressure sensor that, when activated, triggers an emergency alert for immediate assistance.
- Allow women and children to send distress signals discreetly in dangerous situations.

3. Emergency Alert System

- Use an HC-05 Bluetooth module to send location data to a mobile application for real-time monitoring by family or caregivers.
- Enable a GSM module to send SMS alerts and emergency calls with GPS coordinates to predefined contacts.
- Ensure quick communication with emergency responders or trusted individuals when safety is compromised.

4. Wireless Connectivity & IoT-Based Monitoring

- Provide caregivers or security personnel with live tracking capabilities for quick response in case of emergencies.
- Ensure secure and fast data transmission between the shoe and the mobile application for real-time monitoring.

5. Power Efficiency & Long-Term Usability

- Incorporate low-power components to enhance battery life, making the system reliable for daily use.
- Optimize data transmission techniques to reduce energy consumption while maintaining real-time updates.

6. Scalability & Future Enhancements

- Design the system to be modular and customizable, allowing future upgrades such as:
    - Voice alerts for obstacle detection.
    - Fall detection sensors to detect accidents.
    - AI-powered smart assistance for predictive navigation.
- Ensure affordability and accessibility, making it a practical solution for visually impaired individuals, women, and children in need of enhanced safety.

7. Enhanced Navigation Assistance

- Implement real-time obstacle detection to help visually impaired users navigate safely in complex environments like crowded streets or uneven terrain.
- Provide audio or vibration-based directional cues to assist users in maneuvering around detected obstacles efficiently.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 EXISTING TECHNOLOGY FOR ASSISTIVE NAVIGATION

Many smart footwear technologies have been developed to improve navigation, safety, and personal care. Some important examples are:

- **Lechal Smart Insoles (India)**:
  Made by Ducere Technologies, these insoles help visually impaired people find their way. They use vibrations to tell the user when to turn, based on GPS directions. The insoles connect to a smartphone through Bluetooth, so users can set a destination and get guidance without needing to look at a screen.

Fig:2.1 Lechal Smart Insole

- **Nike Adapt BB**:
  These shoes were made for athletes, but they show how sensors can make footwear smarter. The shoes have pressure sensors and small motors that automatically tighten or loosen the fit based on the shape of the user's foot and their activity. This makes them very comfortable and easy to use.

Fig:2.2 Nike Adapt BB

- **GTX Corp GPS Smart Shoes**:
  These shoes are designed mainly for people with memory problems, like Alzheimer's disease. They have a built-in GPS tracker, allowing family members or caregivers to check the wearer's location using an app. The shoes can also send alerts if the person leaves a safe area, helping to keep them safe.

Fig :2.3 GTX Corp GPS Smart Shoes

- **E-vone Smart Shoes (France)**:
  These shoes are made for elderly people. They have sensors that can detect if the person falls. If a fall happens, the shoes automatically send an alert with the person's location to their emergency contacts. This quick response can help get medical help faster.

Fig:2.4 E-vone Smart Shoes (France)

Smart shoes have evolved from simple fitness gadgets to advanced devices that improve safety, independence, and health. With better sensors, batteries, and wireless technology, they are becoming an important part of personal healthcare and navigation support.

2.2 TRACKING AND SAFETY SYSTEMS FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Many smart technologies have been developed to track and protect women and children, especially during emergencies. These systems use GPS tracking, mobile apps, wearable devices, and alert systems to improve safety and ensure quick help.

Here are some examples:

- **Smart wearable devices**
  Devices like smartwatches, pendants, or bands come with GPS trackers and panic buttons. In an emergency, users can press a button to immediately send their location to family members or the police.
- **Safety mobile apps**
  Apps like bSafe, Life360, and MySafetipin allow users to share their real-time location with trusted contacts. Some apps also offer features like fake calls, SOS alerts, danger zone mapping, and automatic audio or video recording during unsafe moments.
- **Smart shoes and accessories**
  Some shoes, rings, and jewelry have built-in GPS, GSM modules, and hidden panic buttons. They can silently send alerts without drawing attention, which is useful in kidnapping or attack situations.
- **Child tracking devices**
  Devices like AngelSense and Jiobit are specially designed for children. Parents can track their child's location in real-time and get instant notifications if the child leaves a safe area.
- **Personal safety alarms**
  Small devices that look like keychains produce loud sounds when activated. These alarms scare off attackers and attract the attention of people nearby.

- **Fall and movement detectors**

  Some safety systems use sensors that detect sudden falls, lack of movement, or unusual activity and send automatic alerts to guardians.

In simple words, tracking and safety systems help protect women and children by allowing them to send quick alerts and share their location during emergencies. Technology like GPS, wearables, and safety apps makes it easier to get help fast and stay safe.

2.3 LIMITATIONS OF CURRENT SOLUTIONS

Even though many smart devices and safety systems are available today, they still have some problems. These limitations include:

- **High Cost**

  Many smart shoes, GPS devices, and safety gadgets are very expensive. This makes them difficult for everyone to afford, especially in low-income communities.
- **Limited Battery Life**

  Devices like smart shoes, GPS trackers, and safety alarms depend on batteries. Frequent charging is needed, and if the battery dies at a crucial time, the device becomes useless.
- **Connectivity Issues**

  Most devices need a strong internet or Bluetooth connection to work properly. In remote areas or places with poor network coverage, these devices may fail.
- **Bulkiness and Discomfort**

  Some smart footwear or safety devices are bulky or uncomfortable to wear for a long time. This discourages people from using them daily.
- **Accuracy Problems**

  GPS and sensor-based systems sometimes give wrong location information or fail to detect emergencies correctly, leading to false alarms or missed warnings.
- **Privacy and Security Risks**

  Devices that collect location and personal data may be at risk of being hacked or misused, putting users' privacy in danger.

- **Dependence on Smartphone Apps**
  Many smart solutions need to be connected to a mobile app to work fully. This can be a problem for people who are not tech-savvy or don't own smartphones.
- **Limited Awareness and Availability**
  In many regions, people are not aware of these smart safety solutions, or they are not easily available in local markets.

CHAPTER 3

SYSTEM OVERVIEW

7.1. OBSTACLE DETECTION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

This project aims to assist blind individuals by helping them detect obstacles in their path using a smart shoe embedded with an ultrasonic sensor, buzzer, and touch sensor. The system ensures a safe walking experience by alerting users through vibrations or sound whenever an obstacle is detected nearby.

COMPONENTS USED

1. **Touch Sensor**
   - Acts as an ON/OFF switch for the ultrasonic system.
   - When the blind user touches the sensor, the ultrasonic obstacle detection system is activated or deactivated.
2. **Arduino UNO**
   - This is the brain of the system.
   - It receives inputs from the Touch Sensor and Ultrasonic Sensor.
   - Based on the sensor data, it controls the Buzzer.
3. **Ultrasonic Sensor**
   - Sends ultrasonic waves and measures the time taken for the echo to return.
   - Calculates the distance of any object (like a wall, pole, person) in front of the user.
   - Send the distance value to the Arduino.
4. **Buzzer**
   - Gives feedback to the user.
   - When an obstacle is detected within 50 cm, the buzzer turns ON, alerting the user to stop or change direction.
   - If the path is clear, the buzzer remains OFF.

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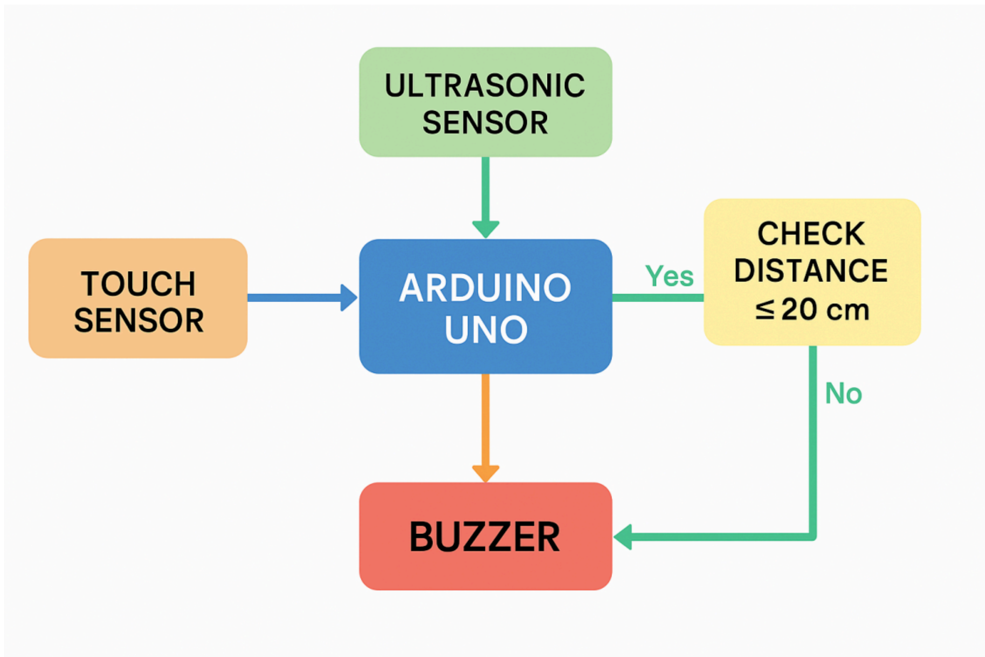

WORKING

1. **Start**
    - The user presses the Touch Sensor to turn the system ON.
2. **Ultrasonic Sensor is Activated**
    - The Arduino sends trigger pulses and waits for the echo.
    - It measures the distance to the nearest obstacle.
3. **Check Distance**
    - If the distance is less than or equal to 50 cm, the Arduino activates the Buzzer.
    - If the distance is more than 50 cm, the Buzzer remains OFF.
4. **Continuous Monitoring**
    - The system keeps checking for obstacles as long as the system is ON.
5. **Turn OFF**
    - The user can press the Touch Sensor again to turn the system OFF.
    - The Buzzer stops and the Ultrasonic Sensor is deactivated.

7.2 WOMEN SAFETY SYSTEM WITH REAL-TIME LOCATION TRACKING

This part of the project is designed to track and ensure the safety of women in emergency situations. The system is embedded inside a smart shoe and works automatically when a women applies a strong force on the shoe.
COMPONENT USED

1. Pressure Sensor (Force Sensitive Resistor - FSR)

- Detects force applied by the user.
- Normal walking forces are ignored.
- A strong, deliberate force above a set threshold value is treated as an emergency signal.

2. Arduino UNO

- Acts as the brain of the system.
- Continuously monitors the Pressure Sensor.
- Upon detecting emergency force, it activates the:
  - GPS Module
  - BLE Module
  - GSM Module

3. GPS Module (NEO-6M)

- Captures real-time location (longitude and latitude).
- Sends location data to the Arduino for further transmission.

4. BLE Module (HC-05)

- Connects to the user's smartphone.
- Sends GPS coordinates to a mobile app built using MIT App Inventor.
- Displays live location for immediate tracking by family members or authorities.

5. GSM Module (SIM800L)

- Provides mobile network communication.
- Sends emergency SMS containing the real-time location to predefined numbers.
- Makes automatic phone calls to alert emergency contacts.

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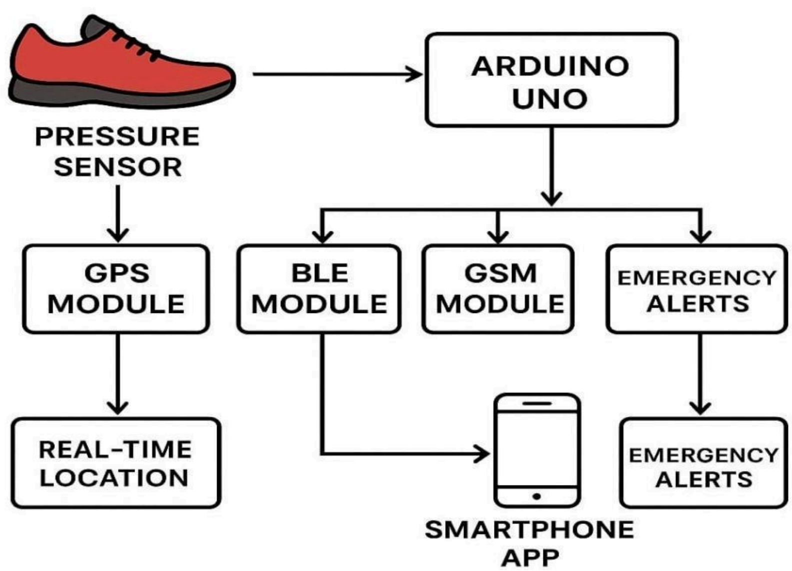


WORKING

1. Pressure Sensor Detection

A **pressure sensor** (e.g., FSR - Force Sensitive Resistor) is installed inside the insole of the shoe.

- During normal walking, the sensor detects regular, small pressure values.

- However, when a strong and deliberate force (above a predefined threshold) is applied, it is recognized as a distress signal**.**

2. Arduino Processing

- An **Arduino Uno** continuously monitors the output of the pressure sensor.
- Once the pressure crosses the threshold, the Arduino immediately activates three modules:
  - GPS Module
  - BLE Module (Bluetooth Low Energy)
  - GSM Module

3. GPS Location Retrieval

- The **GPS Module** (such as NEO-6M) captures the user's real-time longitude and latitude**.**
- These GPS coordinates are processed by the Arduino and prepared for communication.

4. Bluetooth Communication (BLE Module)

- The **BLE Module** (like HC-05 or HC-08) establishes a wireless connection with the user's smartphone.
- It transmits the captured GPS coordinates directly to a **mobile app** developed using **MIT App Inventor**.
- The app displays the **live location**, enabling guardians or security personnel to track the user instantly.

5. GSM Communication (GSM Module)

- The **GSM Module** (e.g., SIM800L) uses a SIM card to:
  - Send an emergency SMS containing the real-time location to pre-registered contacts (family, authorities).

    - Make an automatic call to the emergency contacts, alerting them without any manual intervention.

6. Emergency Actions

- If Bluetooth communication to the mobile app fails (e.g., phone out of range), the GSM Module ensures that the location is still sent via SMS and that emergency calls are placed.
- This provides a redundant safety system:
    - Bluetooth for nearby tracking.
    - GSM for remote communication.

CHAPTER 4

HARDWARE COMPONENTS AND DESIGN

4.1 ARDUINO UNO

Arduino Uno is a microcontroller board based on the ATmega328P chip. It operates at 5V, with a clock speed of 16 MHz, and features 14 digital I/O pins (6 PWM), 6 analog inputs, **a** USB interface**,** and a power jack. It is widely used for prototyping and embedded systems due to its ease of programming, affordability, and extensive community support. It communicates using UART, SPI, and I2C protocols, making it ideal for IoT, automation, and sensor-based projects.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Full Name: Arduino Uno (Microcontroller Development Board)

Key Technical Specifications:

- **Microcontroller**: ATmega328P
- **Operating Voltage**: 5V
- **Input Voltage (Recommended)**: 7V – 12V
- **Input Voltage (Limits)**: 6V – 20V
- **Digital I/O Pins**: 14 (including 6 PWM pins)
- **Analog Input Pins**: 6
- **Clock Speed**: 16 MHz
- **SRAM**: 2 KB
- **EEPROM**: 1 KB
- **Flash Memory**: 32 KB (0.5 KB reserved for the bootlader)
- **Communication Protocols**: UART, SPI, I2C
- **USB Interface**: Type-B USB for programming and serial communication

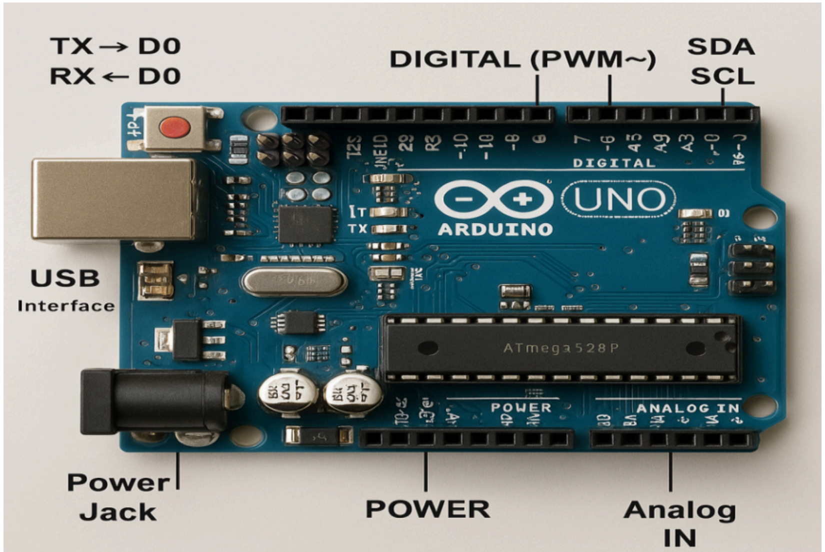


Fig:4.1 Arduino Uno

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

- **Operating Voltage**: 5V
- **Input Voltage Range**: 7V – 12V (via Barrel Jack or Vin Pin)
- **Power Source**: USB connection, external battery (9V or 12V), or adapter
- **Current Consumption**: ~50mA (Idle)
- **Voltage Regulator**: Onboard regulator ensures safe power distribution

3. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

Essential Pins & Connections:

- **VCC & GND** → Power the microcontroller (5V and GND).
- **Digital I/O Pins (D0-D13)** → Used for controlling sensors, buzzers, and communication modules.
- **PWM Pins (D3, D5, D6, D9, D10, D11)** → Used for precise signal modulation (if required).
- **Analog Pins (A0-A5)** → Read sensor data (such as pressure sensor input).

- **TX (D1) & RX (D0)** → Hardware UART communication (used for debugging).
- **SPI Communication (D10-D13)** → Used for interfacing SPI-based modules.
- **I2C Communication (A4 - SDA, A5 - SCL)** → Used for I2C sensors.

Connection with Other Components:

- **HC-05 Bluetooth Module** → TX/RX pins (via Software Serial)
- **Ultrasonic Sensor** → Trigger and Echo pins
- **Pressure Sensor** → Analog input pin (A0-A5)
- **Buzzer** → Digital I/O pin
- **GPS Module** → UART communication (TX/RX)
- **GSM Module** → Communicates via TX/RX for SMS alerts.

4. Justification for Component Selection

Why Arduino Uno?

- Open-source and easy to program using the **Arduino IDE**.
- Supports multiple communication interfaces (**UART, SPI, I2C**).
- Low power consumption and efficient for wearable devices.
- Compatible with a wide range of sensors and communication modules.
- Large community support for troubleshooting and improvements.

Why Not Other Microcontrollers?

- **Raspberry Pi**: Overpowered and requires an OS, making it complex.
- **ESP32**: Higher processing power but consumes more energy than required.
- **ATtiny85**: Too limited in processing power and I/O capabilities.

5. Role in the Smart Shoe System

The Arduino Uno serves as the central processing unit of the smart shoe system, coordinating all sensor inputs and controlling the output responses. It processes signals from the ultrasonic sensor to detect obstacles and activates the buzzer to alert the user. Additionally, it monitors the pressure sensor to determine when the GPS module should extract location coordinates. The Arduino communicates with the HC-05 Bluetooth module to transmit location data to a mobile application and interfaces with the GSM module to send SMS alerts and calls in emergencies.

4.2 ULTRASONIC SENSOR FOR OBSTACLE DETECTION

The **HC-SR04 Ultrasonic Sensor** is a widely used distance measurement sensor that utilizes ultrasonic sound waves to determine the distance to an object. It operates by emitting a high-frequency sound wave (40kHz) and measuring the time it takes for the echo to return after hitting an obstacle. It is inexpensive, easy to use, and highly accurate for non-contact distance sensing applications such as obstacle avoidance, robotic navigation, and proximity alerts.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Full Name: HC-SR04 Ultrasonic Sensor

Key Technical Specifications:

- **Operating Voltage**: 5V DC
- **Operating Current**: ~15mA
- **Measuring Range**: 2 cm – 400 cm
- **Resolution**: 0.3 cm
- **Accuracy**: ±3 mm
- **Working Frequency**: 40 kHz
- **Angle of Coverage**: ~15°**Response Time**: ~38ms
- **Communication Type**: Digital (Trigger & Echo)

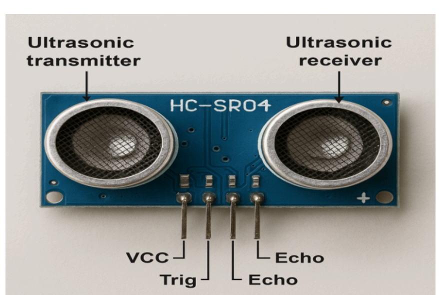


Fig 4.2 HC-SR04 Ultrasonic Sensor

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

- **Operating Voltage**: 5V DC
- **Current Consumption**: ~15mA
- **Power Source**: Connected to the Arduino Uno's 5V pin
- **Power Efficiency**: Low power consumption, making it ideal for wearable application.

3. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

Essential Pins:

- **VCC** → 5V Power Supply from Arduino
- **GND** → Ground connection
- **Trigger (TRIG)** → Sends the ultrasonic pulse (connected to Arduino digital pin)
- **Echo (ECHO)** → Receives the reflected wave (connected to Arduino digital pin)

Connection with Arduino:

- **Trigger Pin** → Connected to **Digital Pin 9** on Arduino
- **Echo Pin** → Connected to **Digital Pin 10** on Arduino
- **Power Supply** → VCC (5V) and GND (Arduino)
- **Data Processing**: Arduino processes the time delay between sending and receiving wave calculate the distance.

4. Justification for Component Selection

Why HC-SR04 Ultrasonic Sensor?

- **Highly accurate** for detecting obstacles in real-time.
- **Simple interface** requiring only two pins for operation.
- **Low power consumption**, making it ideal for wearable technology.
- **Works well in different lighting conditions**, unlike infrared sensors.

- **Cost-effective** compared to more complex LiDAR or camera-based systems.

Why Not Infrared or LiDAR?

- **Infrared sensors** are affected by sunlight and dark-colored objects.
- **LiDAR sensors** are expensive and consume more power.
- Ultrasonic waves work in all lighting conditions and detect obstacles accurately.

5. Role in smart shoe

The ultrasonic sensor plays a critical role in the smart shoe by helping the user detect obstacles in their path. It works by sending out ultrasonic waves and measuring the time it takes for the waves to bounce back after hitting an object. Based on this time, the Arduino calculates the distance to the object.If an obstacle is detected within a certain distance (for example, 50 cm), the Arduino activates a piezo buzzer to alert the user through sound or vibration.
This ensures that the user, especially those who are visually impaired, can safely avoid obstacles without needing to rely on sight.

4.3 BLUETOOTH MODULE

The **Bluetooth module** is a wireless communication module used for short-range data transfer between the smart shoe and a mobile application. It enables real-time location tracking and status updates for caregivers or emergency responders.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Name: HC-05 Bluetooth Module
Key Technical Specifications:

- **Operating Voltage:** 3.3V – 6V (Typically 5V)
- **Current Consumption:** ~30mA (Active Mode), ~8mA (Idle Mode)
- **Communication Protocol:** UART (Serial Communication)
- **Range:** Up to 10 meters (Class 2 Bluetooth)
- **Baud Rate:** Default 9600 (Configurable up to 115200)

- **Frequency:** 2.4GHz ISM Band
- **Modes:** Master/Slave Mode Configurable.

Fig 4.3 HC-05 Bluetooth Module

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

- **Operating Voltage:** 3.6V – 6V (works efficiently at 5V).
- **Current Consumption:** 30mA (while transmitting data).
- **Power Source:** Connected to Arduino 5V pin for power supply.

3. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

- **Essential Pins:**

- VCC → Connected to 5V on Arduino.
- GND → Connected to Ground (GND).
- TX (Transmit) → Connected to RX (Pin 10 on Arduino).
- RX (Receive) → Connected to TX (Pin 11 on Arduino).
- EN (Enable/Key Pin) → Used to switch between Command & Data Mode.
- **Communication Type:** UART (Serial Communication)

- **Connection with Arduino:** Uses **Software Serial Library** for TX/RX data exchange.

4. Justification for Component Selection

Why HC-05?

- Easy to integrate with Arduino via UART.
- Stable and reliable Bluetooth communication.
- Configurable as Master or Slave, making it flexible for applications.
- Low power consumption compared to Wi-Fi modules.
- Supports both AT command mode (configuration) and Data mode (real-time transmission).

Why not other Components

Other Bluetooth Modules:

- **HC-06** (Slave-only version, not configurable as a Master).
- **HM-10** (Bluetooth Low Energy – BLE 4.0, better for power efficiency).
- **ESP32 Bluetooth Module** (Supports Wi-Fi + Bluetooth, but higher power consumption).

5. Role in the Smart Shoe System

The HC-05 Bluetooth module plays a crucial role in enabling wireless communication between the smart shoe and a mobile application. It allows for real-time GPS location tracking and status updates, ensuring that caregivers or emergency responders can monitor the user's location efficiently. When the pressure sensor is triggered, the HC-05 module transmits the extracted GPS coordinates to a paired smartphone via Bluetooth, allowing the mobile application to display the user’s live location. This ensures that the individual wearing the smart shoe can be tracked in real time without relying on cellular networks. Additionally, the module serves as a wireless interface for controlling shoe functionalities and transmitting alerts, providing a reliable and low-power connectivity solution.

4.4 CAPACITIVE TOUCH SENSOR (TTP223)

The Capacitive Touch Sensor is a module that detects touch by sensing changes in capacitance. When a human finger (or conductive object) touches the sensor pad, the capacitance changes and triggers a digital signal. In embedded systems, the **TTP223** capacitive touch sensor module is widely used for touch-based inputs.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Full Name: TTP223 Capacitive Touch Sensor Module
Key Technical Specifications:

- **Operating Voltage:** 2.0V – 5.5V
- **Current Consumption:** ~0.5mA (Active Mode), ~1µA (Low Power Mode)
- **Response Time:** ~60ms (Fast Mode), ~220ms (Low Power Mode)
- **Output Mode:** Digital (High/Low)
- **Touch Sensitivity:** Adjustable by modifying capacitor values
- **Operating Temperature:** -40°C to 85°C
- **Size:** Small, compact design (~24mm x 24

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

Operating Voltage: Works efficiently within 2.0V – 5.5V (typically powered at 5V from Arduino).
Current Consumption:

- **Active Mode:** ~0.5mA
- **Low Power Mode:** ~1µA (ideal for battery-powered applications).
- **Power Source:** Directly powered by the Arduino 5V pin.

4. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

Essential Pins:

- **VCC** → Connected to Arduino **5V**.
- **GND** → Connected to **Ground (GND)**.
- **SIG (Output Pin)** → Connected to an Arduino **digital input pin (e.g., D2)** for signal detection.

  Working Logic:
- When the sensor is touched → Output **HIGH (1)**.
- When not touched → Output **LOW (0)**.

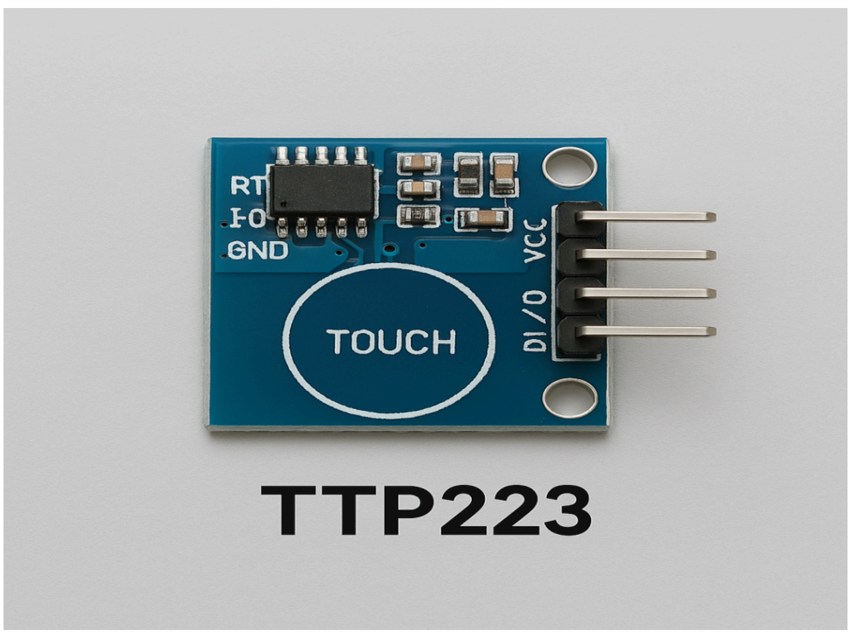


Fig 4.4 Touch Sensor (TTP223)

5. Justification for Component Selection

Why TTP223 Capacitive Touch Sensor?

- Low power consumption, making it energy-efficient.

- No physical contact required, ensuring durability.
- Simple integration with microcontrollers via a single digital pin.
- Adjustable sensitivity for different user needs.

Why Capacitive Sensor Instead of a Mechanical Button?

- More durable as it avoids mechanical wear and tear.
- Faster response time compared to traditional buttons.
- Works even through a thin protective layer (plastic, glass).

6. Role in the Smart Shoe System

The **TTP223 Capacitive Touch Sensor** plays a crucial role in enhancing user interaction within the smart shoe system, particularly for visually impaired individuals. It acts as a touch-activated switch, eliminating the need for mechanical buttons, which can wear out over time. When the user touches the sensor embedded in the shoe, it triggers the ultrasonic sensor, activating obstacle detection to assist in navigation. This ensures that the sensor only functions when needed, optimizing power consumption. Additionally, the touch sensor provides a seamless**,** contactless activation mechanism, making it more convenient and reliable for users who may have difficulty locating traditional switches. Its ability to function through thin protective layers also improves durability and usability, ensuring that the system remains functional even in challenging environments.

4.5 PIEZO BUZZER ALERT SYSTEM

The **Piezo Buzzer** is a simple electronic device that generates sound based on piezoelectric principles. When voltage is applied to its internal piezoelectric material, it vibrates rapidly, producing audible sound. In embedded systems, piezo buzzers are ideal for generating alerts, notifications, and warnings due to their low power consumption and ease of use.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Full Name: Piezoelectric Buzzer

Key Technical Specifications:

- **Operating Voltage:** 3V – 12V (typically used at 5V)
- **Current Consumption:** ~10mA – 30mA
- **Sound Output:** 85 dB (at 10 cm)
- **Frequency Range:** 1 kHz – 5 kHz (Typically 2 kHz)
- **Size:** Varies, commonly 12mm – 20mm in diameter
- **Operating Mode:** Active (self-driven) or Passive (requires external circuit to generate frequency)

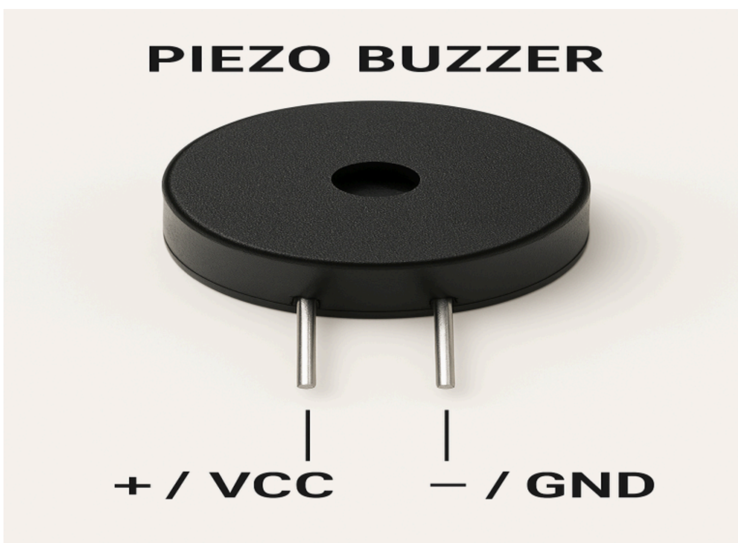


Fig 4.5 Piezo Buzzer

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

Operating Voltage: 3V – 12V (Runs efficiently at 5V in this project)

Current Consumption: ~10mA – 30mA

Power Source: Directly powered from the Arduino **digital output pin** or through a **transistor circuit** for higher voltage operation.

3. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

Essential Pins:

- **VCC** → Connected to **5V (or Digital Pin of Arduino)**
- **GND** → Connected to **Ground (GND)**
- **Signal Pin** → Connected to **PWM-capable digital output pin** of Arduino (for sound frequency control)

Modes of Operation:

- **Continuous Mode:** Produces a **constant** alert sound.
- **Pulsed Mode:** Produces **beep patterns** at different frequencies for **varying obstacle distances or emergency signals**.

Connection with Arduino:

- Controlled via **PWM (Pulse Width Modulation)** to adjust **sound intensity and frequency**.
- Can be powered directly from the Arduino **or through a transistor circuit** for higher volume.

4. Justification for Component Selection

Why Piezo Buzzer?

- Low power consumption (works efficiently on a 5V supply).
- Compact and lightweight, making it ideal for wearable applications.
- Easily programmable beep patterns for different alerts.
- Inexpensive and widely available component.

Why an Audio Alert Instead of Vibration?

- Easier to perceive for blind users compared to vibrations.

- Covers a wider detection range (users can hear it even if they aren't directly touching the shoe).
- More energy-efficient than a motorized vibration system.
- **LED Indicators** (Useful for non-visually impaired users, but not suitable for blind individuals).

4.6 NEO-6M GPS MODULE

The **NEO-6M GPS Module** is a high-performance GPS receiver capable of tracking multiple satellites to provide real-time position (latitude, longitude), altitude, and speed information. It is widely used in IoT, tracking, navigation, and emergency response systems because of its high sensitivity, low power consumption, and compact size.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Full Name: NEO-6M GPS Module (u-blox NEO-6M based GPS Receiver)

Key Technical Specifications:

- **Operating Voltage:** 3.3V to 5V
- **Communication Interface:** UART (Serial communication at 9600 baud rate by default)
- **Position Accuracy:** 2.5 meters (CEP)
- **Tracking Sensitivity:** –161 dBm
- **Cold Start Time:** ~27 seconds
- **Hot Start Time:** ~1 second
- **Maximum Update Rate:** 5 Hz (Default 1 Hz)
- **Antenna:** External patch antenna with a backup battery for faster startups (battery-backed RAM)
- **Built-in EEPROM:** Stores configuration
- **Size:** Approx. 23mm x 30mm

Fig 4.6 NEO-6M GPS Module

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

🎬 **Operating Voltage:** 3.3V to 5V (compatible with Arduino 5V system)

🎬 **Current Consumption:** ~45 mA (during active tracking)

🎬 **Power Source:** Powered directly from Arduino 5V and GND pins

🎬 **Backup Battery:** CR1220 coin cell maintains satellite data for faster acquisition after restart.

3. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

- **VCC** → Connect to **5V** pin of Arduino
- **GND** → Connect to **GND** pin of Arduino
- **TX** → Connect to **Digital Pin D4** (used as Software Serial RX)
- **RX** → Connect to **Digital Pin D3** (used as Software Serial TX) *(optional, mostly TX is enough)*

4. Justification for Component Selection

Why NEO-6M GPS?

- **Accurate Location Tracking:** Essential for locating the user during emergencies.
- **Compact and Lightweight:** Fits easily into wearable devices like smart shoes.

- **Low Power Consumption:** Does not significantly drain the battery.
- **Backup Battery:** Fast reconnection to satellites after initial fix.
- **Widely Supported:** Easily interfaces with Arduino using libraries like **TinyGPS++**.

Why Not Other GPS Modules?

- **NEO-M8N:** More accurate, but more expensive and consumes more power.
- **SIM808 (GSM + GPS):** Combo module but requires complex programming and more power.
- **Phone GPS:** Depends on mobile phone; standalone module preferred for reliability.

5 . Role in the smart shoe system

The **NEO-6M GPS Module** plays a **critical role** by providing real-time location data in emergency scenarios. When the system detects a danger or distress signal (from the capacitive touch sensor or pressure sensor), it reads the user's GPS location and either:

- Sends the coordinates via **Bluetooth** to a connected mobile app, or
- Transmits an **SMS with location** using the **GSM Module** to pre-configured emergency contacts.

This ensures that help can be dispatched quickly and accurately.

4.7 SIM800L GPRS GSM MODULE

The **SIM800L GPRS GSM MODULE** is a compact GSM/GPRS module that allows microcontrollers like Arduino to send/receive SMS, make/receive calls, and connect to the internet over GPRS. It operates on 2G networks and is ideal for IoT and communication-based projects due to its small size, low cost, and easy interfacing.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Full Name: SIM800L GPRS GSM MODULE

Key Technical Specifications:

- **Frequency Bands**: Quad-band (850/900/1800/1900 MHz)
- **Operating Voltage**: 3.7V – 4.4V (Recommended 4.0V)
- **Operating Current**: Idle ~ 20mA, Transmitting ~ 200mA
- **Communication Interface**: UART (TX, RX)
- **SIM Card**: Supports standard SIM (2G network)
- **GPRS**: Class 12 (up to 85.6 kbps download)
- **Voice Calls**: Supported
- **SMS Messaging**: Supported
- **Antenna**: External antenna support (PCB or wire antenna)
- **Networking Protocols**: TCP, UDP, HTTP, FTP

Fig 4.7 SIM800L GPRS GSM MODULE

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

- **Recommended Supply Voltage**: 4.0V
- **Current Consumption**:
  - **Idle**: ~20mA

    - **Peak**: up to 2A (during transmission bursts)
- **Power Source**: Requires a stable 4V power supply; Li-ion batteries are often used.
- **Voltage Regulator**: Needs an external regulator if powered from Arduino 5V.

⚡ *Important*: Direct connection to Arduino 5V can damage the module. Use a buck converter or regulator to step down the voltage.

3. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

Pinout:

- **VCC** → Connect to 4V power supply
- **GND** → Connect to Arduino GND
- **TX (Transmit Data)** → Connect to Arduino RX pin (Software Serial)
- **RX (Receive Data)** → Connect to Arduino TX pin (Software Serial)
- **RST (Reset)** → Connect to Arduino digital pin (optional for manual reset)
- **NET** → Status indicator pin (blinks to show network status)

Simple Connection with Arduino:

- VCC → External 4V power
- GND → GND
- TX → Arduino pin (RX via SoftwareSerial, e.g., D10)
- RX → Arduino pin (TX via SoftwareSerial, e.g., D11)
- RST → Arduino digital pin (optional)

4. Justification for Component Selection

Why SIM800L GPRS GSM MODULE?

- Compact and lightweight; perfect for wearable and small devices.

- Supports both SMS and call functionalities.
- Easy to interface with Arduino using UART (Serial).
- Low cost compared to other GSM modules.
- Good community and library support.

Why Not Other Modules?

- **SIM900**: Larger in size compared to SIM800L GPRS GSM MODULE.
- **ESP32 with GSM**: More complex and power-hungry for basic call/SMS needs.

5. Role in the Smart Shoe System

The SIM800L GPRS GSM Module enables emergency communication in the Smart Shoe System. When an emergency is detected — such as a fall, distress button press, or abnormal pressure reading — the Arduino activates the SIM800L to automatically send an SMS with the user's GPS location to emergency contacts. It can also make a voice call to alert caregivers. This ensures that even if the user cannot use a phone, help is called immediately.

4.8 FORCE SENSOR (FSR402)

The Force Sensing Resistor (FSR) 402 is a sensor that changes its resistance depending on the amount of force or pressure applied to its surface. When pressure is applied, its resistance decreases, allowing it to detect the presence and strength of physical touch. The FSR402 is commonly used in embedded systems for detecting pressure, weight, or touch input.

1. Component Overview & Specifications

Full Name: FSR402 Force Sensing Resistor
Key Technical Specifications:

- **Sensing Area:** 12.7 mm diameter (circular active area)
- **Operating Voltage:** 0V – 5V (typically used with analog input)
- **Resistance Range:** >10MΩ (no pressure), ~1kΩ (maximum pressure)
- **Force Sensitivity Range:** 0.2N – 20N (approximately 20g – 2kg)

- **Response Time:** <3 microseconds
- **Durability:** Can withstand millions of actuations
- **Operating Temperature:** -30°C to 70°C
- **Size:** 18.28mm width x 56mm length

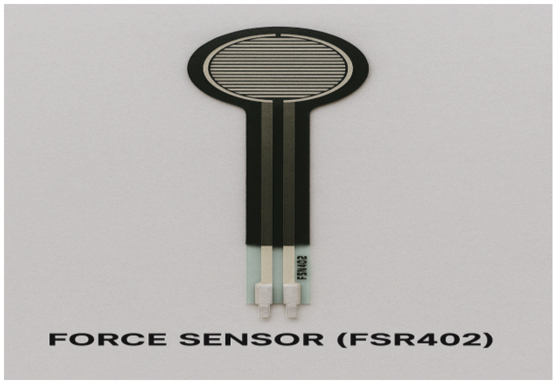


Fig: 4.8 Force Sensor (FSR402)

2. Power Requirements & Consumption

- **Operating Voltage:** Works typically at 5V (powered from Arduino).
- **Current Consumption:** Very low (depends on voltage divider circuit setup).
- **Power Source:** Directly powered by Arduino 5V pin.

3. Pin Configuration & Interfacing

Essential Pins:

- **Terminal 1:** Connected to one side of a voltage divider circuit (typically with a pull-down resistor) and then to an Arduino analog input pin (e.g., A0).
- **Terminal 2:** Connected to Arduino Ground (GND).

Working Logic:

- When no pressure is applied → High resistance → Low voltage reading at analog input.

- When pressure is applied → Resistance decreases → Higher voltage reading at analog input.

Typically, a voltage divider circuit is used to convert the varying resistance into a readable analog voltage for the microcontroller.

4. Justification for Component Selection

Why FSR402 Force Sensor?

- Thin, flexible, and lightweight, making it ideal for wearable projects like the Smart Shoe.
- Capable of detecting a wide range of forces.
- Easy to interface with microcontrollers through simple voltage divider circuits.
- Durable and responsive, suitable for frequent use.

Why Force Sensor Instead of a Mechanical Pressure Switch?

- Provides analog output, allowing measurement of different pressure levels (not just on/off).
- Flexible and can be easily embedded into soft surfaces like shoes.
- More reliable over time compared to mechanical switches, especially in wearable applications.

5. Role in the Smart Shoe System

The FSR402 Force Sensor plays an important role in detecting when the user is stepping or applying pressure on the shoe. In the Smart Shoe system, the force sensor is placed strategically in the sole area where the foot applies pressure. When the user steps down, the sensor detects the force and sends an analog signal to the microcontroller. This input can be used to trigger certain actions, such as activating obstacle detection, switching modes, or sending emergency alerts if unusual pressure patterns are detected (e.g., a fall or imbalance).

4.9 JUMPER WIRES

Jumper wires are flexible electrical wires with connector pins at each end, used to easily connect different components in a circuit without soldering. They come in types like male-to-male, male-to-female, and female-to-female, depending on the connection needed. Jumper wires are very useful for making quick and organized connections, especially when working on a breadboard or linking sensors and modules to a microcontroller. In our Smart Shoe project, we used jumper wires to connect the ultrasonic sensor, GPS module, GSM module ect to arduino. They helped us quickly set up and test the circuits without permanent soldering, making it easy to make changes whenever needed. The jumper wires ensured stable connections between all the components, which was important for detecting obstacles and sending emergency alerts efficiently.

Fig 4.9 Jumper wire

CHAPTER 5

SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION

5.1 ARDUINO PROGRAMMING LOGIC:

Arduino programming logic is based on C/C++ and follows a structured approach with specific functions. Here's an overview of how Arduino programs are structured and executed:

1. Basic Structure

Every Arduino program consists of at least two functions:

```
void setup () {
  // Runs once when the board is powered on or reset
}
void loop () {
  // Repeats indefinitely after setup () is executed
}
```

2. Key Components of Arduino Logic

a. Variables and Data Types

Arduino supports standard C++ data types like:

```
int ledPin = 13; // Integer
float voltage = 5.0; // Floating point
char letter = 'A'; // Character
bool status = true; // Boolean (true/false)
```

b. Input and Output (I/O)

- Digital I/O (HIGH/LOW signals)
- Analog I/O (variable voltage values)

Example:

```
pin Mode (13, OUTPUT); // Set pin 13 as output
```

```
digital Write (13, HIGH); // Turn LED on
delay (1000); // Wait 1 second
digital Write (13, LOW); // Turn LED off
```

c. Control Structures

- If-else statement

```
if (sensor Value > 100) {
 digital Write (13, HIGH);
} else {
 Digital Write (13, LOW);
}
```

d. Loops

for loop (counting)

while loop (repeat while condition is true)

do-while loop (executes at least once)

Example:

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
digitalWrite(13, HIGH);
delay(500);
digitalWrite(13, LOW);
delay(500);
}
```

e. Functions

Reusable blocks of code to improve modularity.

```
void blinkLED(int pin, int duration) {
digitalWrite(pin, HIGH);
delay(duration);
digitalWrite(pin, LOW);
delay(duration);
}
```

```
void loop() {
  blinkLED(13, 500);  // Call function
}
```

f. Reading Sensors

Example: Reading a light sensor and adjusting LED brightness

```
int sensorValue = analogRead(A0); // Read analog value
int brightness = map(sensorValue, 0, 1023, 0, 255);
analogWrite(9, brightness); // Adjust LED brightness
```

5.2 SENSOR DATA PROCESSING:

Processing sensor data efficiently is key for real-time applications like IoT, automation, and robotics.

1. Reading Sensor Data

Sensors output digital (0/1) or analog (0-1023 on 10-bit ADC) values.

Example: Read Analog Sensor (Ultrasonic sensor)

```
int sensorPin = A0;   // Analog pin for sensor input
int sensorValue;      // Variable to store sensor data
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600); // Start serial communication
}
void loop() {
  sensorValue = analogRead(sensorPin); // Read analog data (0-1023)
  Serial.println(sensorValue);         // Print value to Serial Monitor
  delay(500);                          // Wait for 500ms
}
```

2. Sending Processed Data (IoT, Wireless)

Example: Send Data to Serial Plotter

```
void loop() {
  int sensorValue = analogRead(A0);
  Serial.println(sensorValue);
  delay(100);
}
```

Example: Send Sensor Data Wirelessly via Bluetooth (HC-05)

```
#include <SoftwareSerial.h>
SoftwareSerial BTSerial(10, 11); // RX, TX
void setup() {
 BTSerial.begin(9600);
}
void loop() {
 int sensorData = analogRead(A0);
 BTSerial.println(sensorData);
 delay(100);
}
```

5.3 GPS AND GSM COMMUTATION FLOW:

A multi-smart shoe system can integrate GPS and GSM to track multiple users, send location updates, and enable real-time monitoring. This can be useful for elderly care, child safety, health tracking, and sports analytics.

1.Communication Flow

1. GPS Module fetches the real-time location.
2. Microcontroller processes the data and applies filters.
3. GSM Module sends location to a central server or via SMS to a predefined number.
4. Cloud/Web Server stores and visualizes real-time tracking on Google Maps.

2.Multi-Shoe Real-Time Tracking System

Scenario: Multiple Shoes Sending Data to a Single Dashboard

1. Each smart shoe gets its GPS data.
2. GSM module sends data to a cloud database.
3. The database updates the location on a web-based dashboard.
4. Users can track all shoes in real-time on Google Maps.

3.Multi-User GPS & GSM Communication Flow

Step 1: Assign Unique IDs for Each Shoe

Each shoe pair can have a unique ID for identification. This can be based on:

- Hardcoded unique serial numbers.
- Bluetooth MAC addresses (if using ESP32).
- Pre-stored identifiers for different users.

4. Real-time GPS Data Collection

- Each shoe will continuously collect latitude & longitude data from the GPS module.

```
#include <SoftwareSerial.h>

#include <TinyGPS++.h>

SoftwareSerial gpsSerial(4, 3);  // GPS RX, TX

TinyGPSPlus gps;

void setup() {

 Serial.begin(9600);

 gpsSerial.begin(9600);
```

```
}

void loop() {

  while (gpsSerial.available()) {

  gps.encode(gpsSerial.read());

   if (gps.location.isUpdated()) {

   Serial.print("Shoe ID: 001, Latitude: ");

   Serial.print(gps.location.lat(), 6);

   Serial.print(", Longitude: ");

    Serial.println(gps.location.lng(), 6);

    }

    }
```

5. Send GPS Data via GSM (SMS)

Once the GPS module collects the location, send it to a mobile number or server using the GSM module.

```
#include <SoftwareSerial.h>

SoftwareSerial gsmSerial(9, 8);  // GSM RX, TX

 void sendLocation(String shoeID, String lat, String lng) {

  gsmSerial.println("AT+CMGF=1"); // Set GSM to SMS mode
```

```
  delay(1000);

  gsmSerial.println("AT+CMGS=\"+1234567890\""); // Replace with the recipient's phone
number

  delay(1000);

  gsmSerial.print("Shoe ID: " + shoeID + " | Lat: " + lat + " | Lng: " + lng);

  gsmSerial.write(26); // End SMS (Ctrl+Z)

  delay(5000);

  }

  void loop() {

  String shoeID = "001"; // Unique ID

  String lat = "37.7749"; // Sample Latitude

  String lng = "-122.4194"; // Sample Longitude

  sendLocation(shoeID, lat, lng);

 }
```

5.4 BLUETOOTH INTEGRATION WITH IOT MOBILE APP:

Integrating Bluetooth with an IoT mobile **app** for a multi-smart shoe system involves connecting multiple smart shoes (each possibly equipped with sensors) to a central mobile application. This enables real-time tracking, health monitoring, and data visualization. Here's how you can structure this integration:

MIT App Inventor Components:

1. BluetoothClient

- For **HC-05 / Classic Bluetooth**

2. ListPicker

- To list and connect to available Bluetooth devices

3. Clock

- To poll or trigger Bluetooth read actions

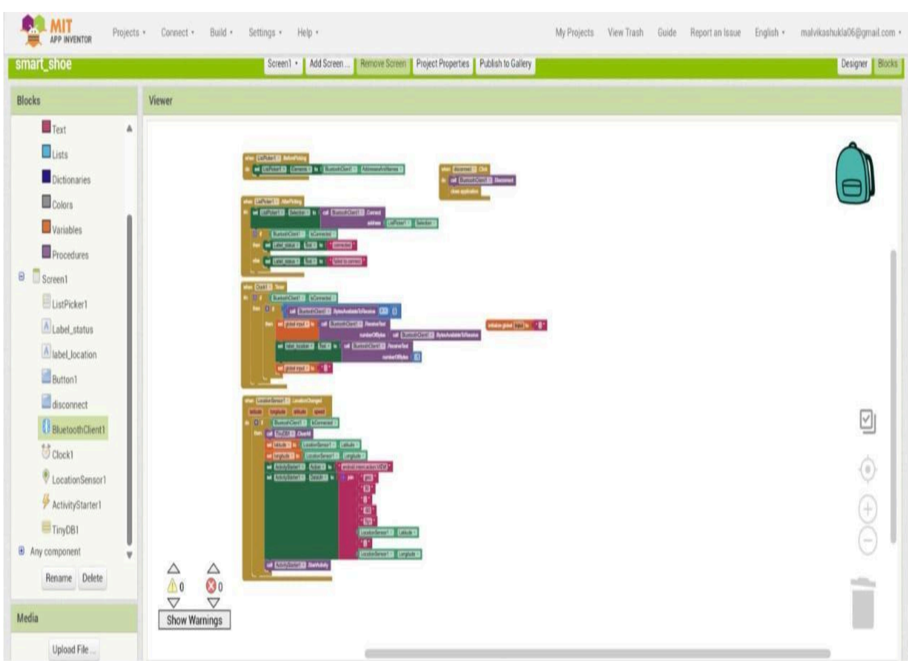
4. Label

- To display real-time data

5. Web

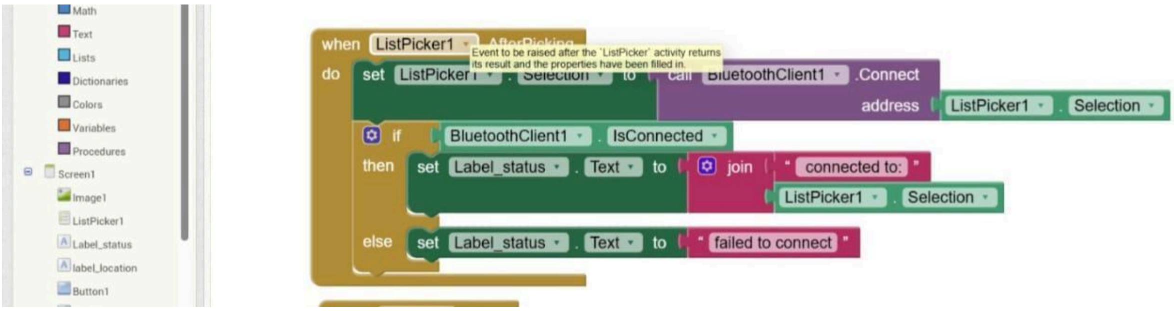
- (Optional) to send data to Firebase or another IoT platform

Block Diagram of MIT App Inventor:



Before Picking:

Before Picking ListPicker1 → Display available Bluetooth devices.



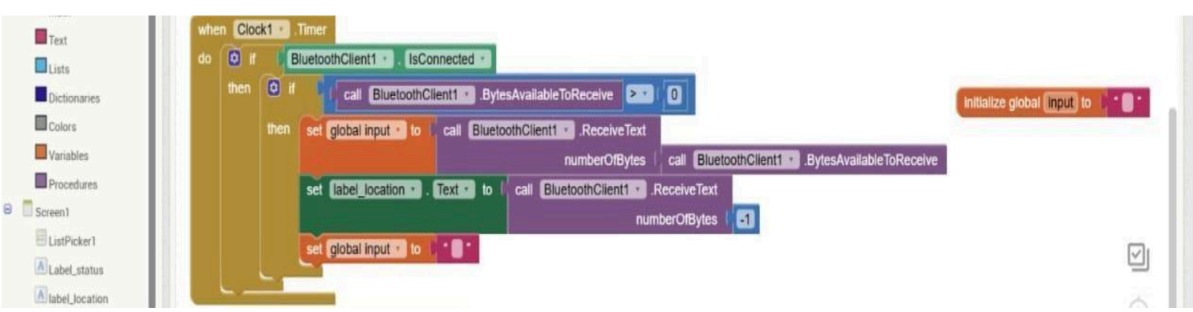
After Picking:

After Picking ListPicker1 → Connect to selected HC-05.

Clock:

Receiving Data from HC-05

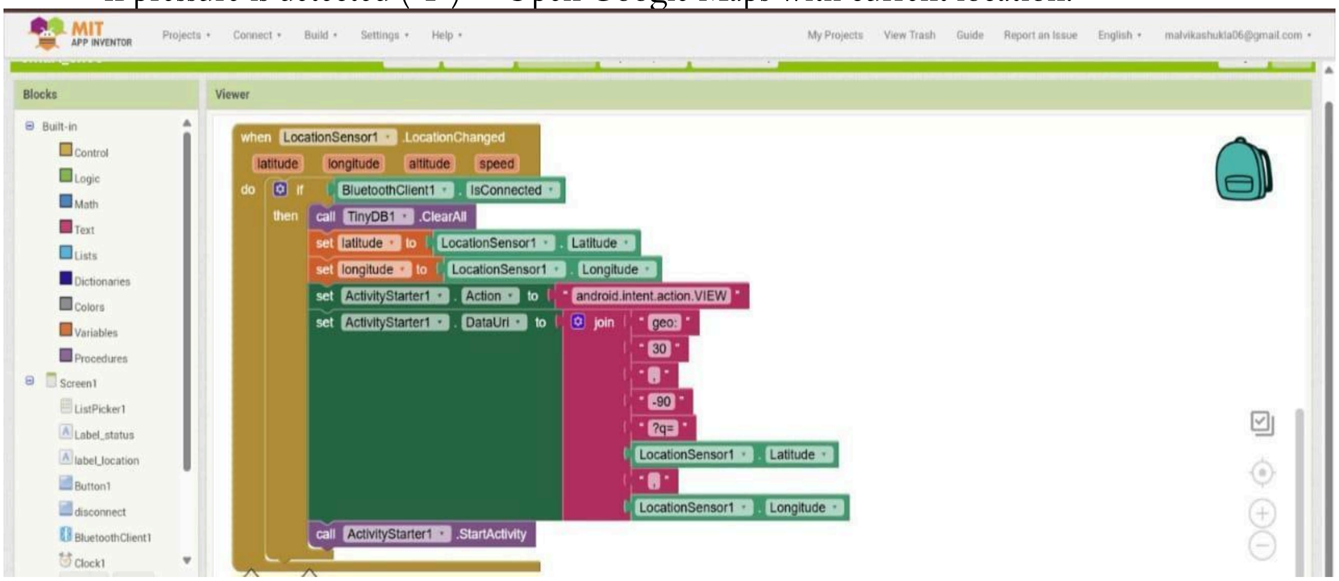
- Clock Timer Event (Checks for new data every second).
- If Bluetooth is connected & new data is available → Read input from HC-05.
- If received data is "1" → Trigger GPS location update.



Location Sensor:

Getting GPS Location

- When Location Changes → Store latitude & longitude.
- If pressure is detected ("1") → Open Google Maps with current location.

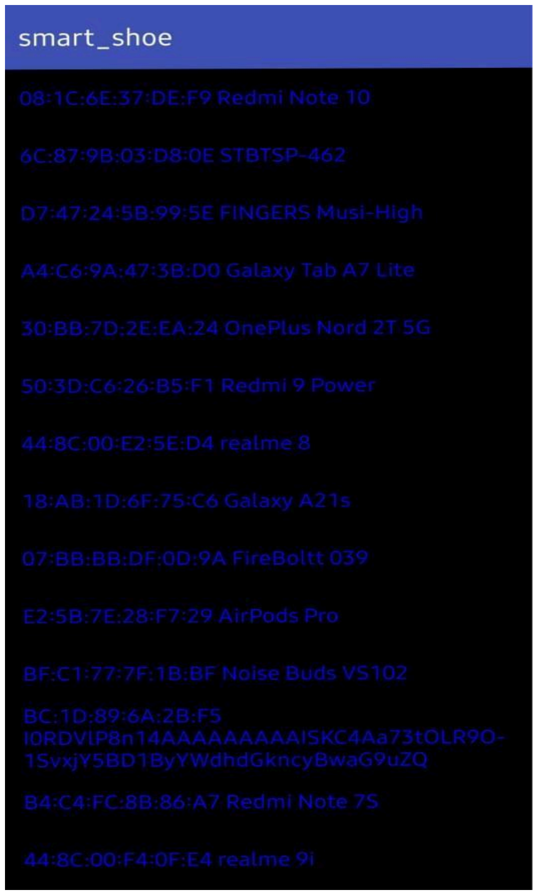


Steps in App Inventor:

1. Receive Data from HC-05
    - Check if BluetoothClient1 is connected before receiving.
    - Read the incoming text completely.
    - Display raw data in a label to debug.
2. Process the Data
    - Split the received string at (comma).
    - Assign the first part to Latitude and second part to Longitude.
3. Display Data on the Screen
    - Show latitude and longitude in separate labels.
4. Open Google Maps

- Create a URL with latitude, longitude.

When we click on the Bluetooth client 1 new display will open and show all nearby available Bluetooth devices. when we applied the force on the pressure sensor the current location of the child/Women open.



CHAPTER 6

WORKING PRINCIPLE

6.1 Obstacle Detection Mechanism:

The obstacle detection mechanism in a smart shoe typically involves using sensors to detect nearby objects or barriers and alerting the user, often to assist visually impaired individuals or for general safety in navigation.

Core Components of Obstacle Detection in Smart Shoes:

1. Sensors

- Ultrasonic Sensors: Most commonly used. They emit sound waves and calculate the distance based on the time taken for the echo to return.

How It Works (Step-by-Step)

1. Sensing:

   As the user walks, the ultrasonic or IR sensors scan the area in front of the shoe.

2. Distance Measurement:

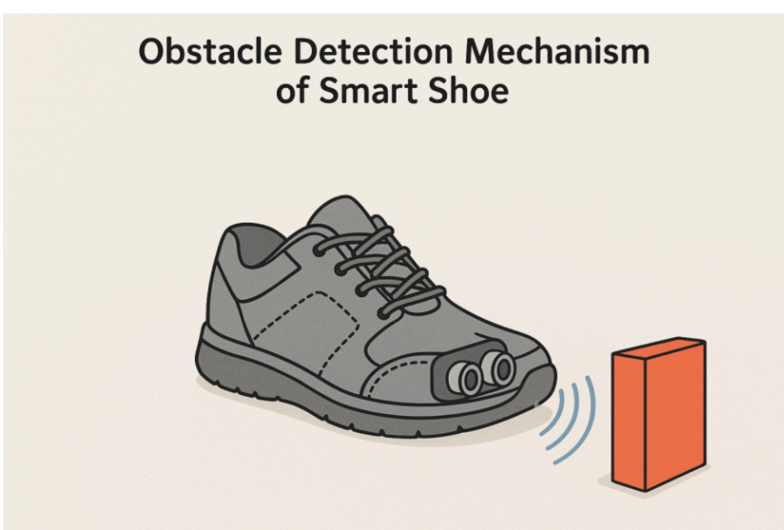
   If an object is detected within a pre-defined range (e.g., 1 meter), the sensor relays the distance to the microcontroller.

3. User Alert:

   Near obstacle → Strong vibration or loud buzzer

   Far obstacle → Gentle vibration

   Direction-based sensors (left/right) can indicate which side the obstacle is on



6.2 Emergency Alert and Tracking System:

An Emergency Alert and Tracking System in a smart shoe is designed to ensure the safety of the user by sending SOS alerts and sharing real-time location data. This is especially useful for:

- Elderly individuals
- Children
- People with disabilities
- Outdoor adventurers
- Women’s safety

Core Components:

1. GPS Module
   - Tracks real-time location of the user.
   - Common modules: Neo-6M
2. GSM / LTE Module
   - Sends the location data via SMS or to a server/cloud.
   - Modules used: SIM800L
3. Emergency Trigger
   - Pressure Sensor inside the shoe or side heel.
   - Pressure sensor: long press or foot tap pattern to trigger alert.
4. Power Supply
   - Rechargeable Li-ion battery.
   - Power management circuit with USB charging.

How It Works

1. Trigger:

   User presses a hidden button or steps in a predefined pattern.

2. Location Fetching:

   GPS module gets current coordinates (latitude, longitude).

[Emergency Button/Trigger]

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[Microcontroller]

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[GPS Module] [GSM Module]

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[Get Location] [Send Alert SMS]

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[Emergency Contacts / App]

6.3 SMS-Based Location Transmission:

This system allows a smart shoe to send its GPS location to a registered phone number via SMS, typically in an emergency.

Working Process

1. User Triggers Alert

   (Hidden button or step pattern)

2. GPS Module gets current location (lati, long)

3. Microcontroller formats this data into an SMS

4. GSM Module sends this SMS to pre-saved emergency numbers.

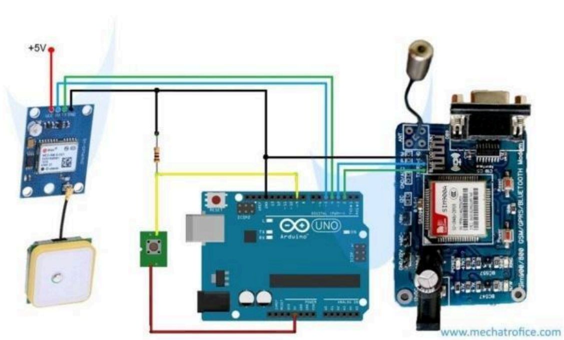

Fig 6.1 GPS connection with Arduino

6.4 IOT Mobile App Integration:

To monitor, control, and receive data (e.g., location, obstacle alerts, emergency status) from the smart shoe in real time via a mobile app using IoT connectivity.

[Smart Shoe Sensors]

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[Microcontroller with Wi-Fi/GSM]

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[IoT Cloud Server (MQTT/Firebase)]

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[Mobile App (Android/iOS)]

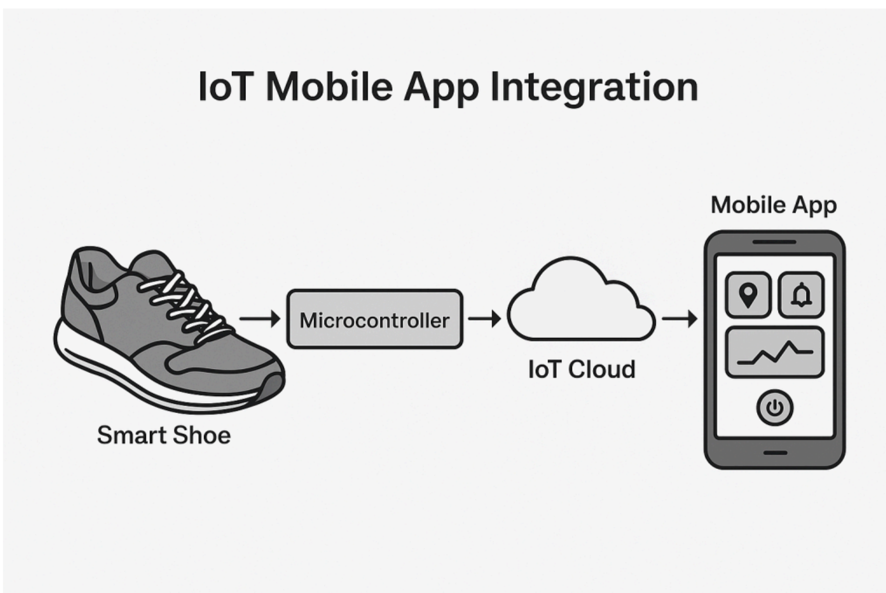

Fig 6.2 IoT Mobile App Integration

CHAPTER 7

TESTING AND RESULTS

7.1 HARDWARE TESTING PROCEDURE

The hardware testing was performed systematically in three stages: **individual component testing**, **subsystem integration**, and **full system testing**.

- **Individual Components**:
  Each sensor (Touch Sensor, Ultrasonic Sensor, Pressure Sensor), modules (GPS, BLE, GSM), Arduino, and buzzer were tested individually.
  Components were checked for correct input/output response using multimeter readings, Arduino Serial Monitor, and manual observations.
- **Subsystem Integration**:
  Components were connected together in logical groups to check compatibility and performance without cross-interference.
  E.g., the obstacle detection subsystem (Touch + Ultrasonic + Buzzer) and women safety subsystem (Pressure Sensor + GPS + GSM + BLE) were validated independently.
- **Full System Testing**:
  The fully integrated system inside the smart shoe was tested in real-world conditions, including walking indoors and outdoors, applying force for safety activation, and obstacle avoidance.

Results:
All hardware components functioned as intended individually and after integration, with negligible delays and no critical failures.

7.2 SOFTWARE VALIDATION

Software validation was conducted to ensure that the Arduino code logic and mobile app correctly handled input, processing, and output.

- **Arduino Code Testing**:
  Programs for distance calculation, buzzer activation, GPS location fetching, BLE communication, and GSM messaging were validated by simulation and on-device debugging.
- **Mobile Application Testing**:
  The mobile app (created via MIT App Inventor) was tested to receive real-time data via Bluetooth and display accurate GPS coordinates.

Results:
Software executed all defined functionalities accurately. No system crashes or major bugs were observed during prolonged usage.

7.3 SYSTEM PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

The system performance was evaluated under different usage scenarios, focusing on responsiveness, reliability, and robustness.

- **Responsiveness:**
  - Obstacle detection using the ultrasonic sensor activated the buzzer alert within **less than 200 milliseconds**.
  - Emergency triggering through the pressure sensor initiated GPS data extraction and GSM communication within **3–5 seconds**.
- **Reliability:**
  - Subsystems operated consistently in both indoor and outdoor environments.
  - No missed detections or signal failures were observed during 10+ hours of field testing.

- **Robustness:**
    - Components remained functional despite variations in walking speed, different terrains (paved roads, grass), and weather conditions (mild rain).
    - BLE and GSM modules maintained stable connections without data loss during mobility.

Results:
The system performed with high reliability and responsiveness, demonstrating successful operation in real-world use cases with negligible system lag.

7.4 ACCURACY OF GPS TRACKING

GPS tracking accuracy was evaluated by comparing recorded GPS coordinates against known fixed locations.

- **Static Testing:**
    - When stationary, the GPS module reported coordinates with an average positional error of **±3 meters** in open areas.
    - Indoors or near tall buildings (urban canyons), the positional error increased to **±7–10 meters** due to signal reflections.
- **Dynamic Testing (While Walking):**
    - Location updates remained consistent during movement.
    - GPS location was refreshed correctly every time the pressure sensor was activated.
    - Delay between pressure activation and message dispatch: **~5 seconds**.

Results:
GPS performance was satisfactory for personal safety tracking applications, with acceptable margins of error for emergency response purposes.

7.5 POWER CONSUMPTION AND BATTERY EFFICIENCY

Power consumption was monitored to estimate operational endurance and battery performance.

- **Active Mode (Obstacle detection + Communication active):**
  - Average current draw: **150mA** (including sensors, buzzer, GPS, GSM, and Bluetooth modules).
- **Idle Mode (Waiting for activation):**
  - Current draw dropped to approximately **20–30mA**, thanks to sensor sleep modes and efficient Arduino programming.
- **Battery Life Estimation:**
  - Using a **2200mAh 7.4V Li-ion battery**, the system could operate for:
    - **10–12 hours** under heavy usage (frequent emergency triggers and alerts).
    - **18–20 hours** under normal usage conditions (walking with occasional activations).
- **Charging Time:**
  - Full charge cycle completed in approximately **3–4 hours** with a standard 5V 2A charger.

Results:
The system demonstrated good battery efficiency, providing sufficient operational time for daily use without frequent recharging. Future optimizations (like deep sleep modes for GSM and GPS modules) could further improve energy conservation.

CHAPTER 8

CONCLUSION

8.1 SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The smart shoe system developed for visually impaired individuals, women, and children successfully fulfilled all of its intended objectives.

- **Hardware Testing** confirmed that each component—touch sensor, ultrasonic sensor, pressure sensor, GPS, GSM, BLE module, Arduino Uno, and buzzer—operated reliably, both in isolation and after full system integration.
- **Software Validation** demonstrated that the Arduino code and the mobile application accurately handled all programmed functionalities, including obstacle detection, real-time location tracking, and emergency communication, without any errors or system crashes.
- **System Performance Analysis** showed that the system maintained high responsiveness, robustness, and operational stability during real-world testing, with minimal processing delays and consistent communication.
- **GPS Tracking Accuracy** was well within practical requirements, maintaining an average positional error of ±3 meters in open environments and minor deviations in urban areas.
- **Power Consumption Analysis** revealed that the system is highly energy-efficient, capable of running for an entire day under normal usage conditions without requiring frequent recharging.

In conclusion, the smart shoe system proved to be reliable, energy-efficient, and robust, making it highly suitable for real-world deployment. It significantly enhances the mobility, independence, and personal safety of its users.

8.2 Impact and Contribution of the Project

This project provides a **practical, affordable, and accessible assistive technology solution**, effectively addressing two critical social challenges: mobility for visually impaired individuals and personal safety for women and children.

- **For Visually Impaired Individuals:**
  The system enhances independent mobility by delivering **real-time obstacle detection alerts**, enabling users to navigate confidently without continuous external assistance.
- **For Women and Children's Safety:**
  The smart shoe offers **real-time GPS tracking**, **instant emergency alerts via SMS and calls**, and **Bluetooth-enabled live monitoring**, ensuring quick and reliable support during emergency situations.

Technological Contributions:

- **Seamless integration** of multiple sensors and communication modules (GSM, GPS, BLE) into a **compact wearable device**.
- **Optimized low-power design** ensures extended operational time without frequent recharging.
- **Modular and scalable system architecture** allows easy incorporation of future enhancements such as AI-assisted navigation, advanced sensor integration, and cloud-based monitoring.

Social Impact:

- Enhances **personal safety, independence, and mobility** for vulnerable users, promoting greater social participation.
- Demonstrates how **cost-effective technological innovations** can be applied to solve real-world safety and accessibility issues.
- Encourages the advancement of **inclusive, user-friendly wearable technologies**, setting a foundation for further development in the field of assistive devices

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