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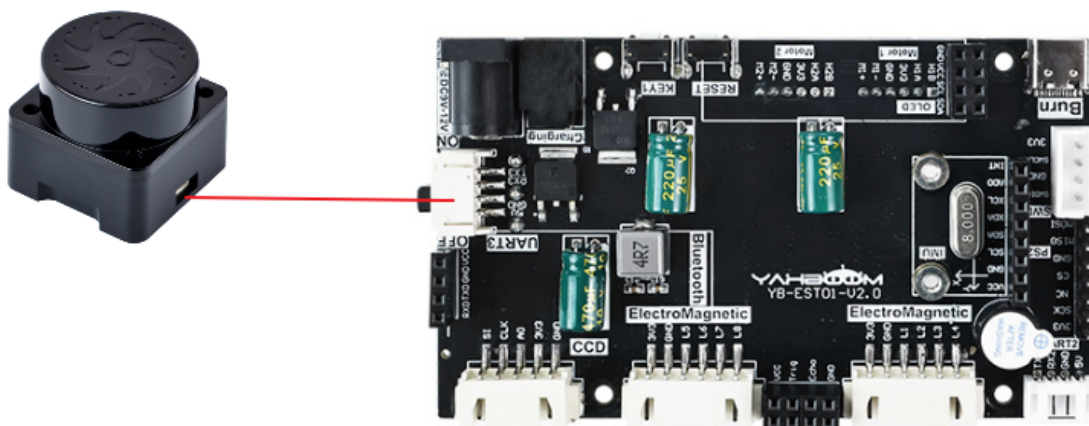
The tutorial mainly demonstrates the wall patrol function of the balance car combined with the Tmini-Plus radar (maintaining a certain distance from the nearest wall).

The tutorial only introduces the standard library project code

Hardware connection

Since we have configured a special connection line, we only need to install it to the corresponding interface.

Peripherals	Development Board
Tmini-Plus Radar: VCC	5V
Tmini-Plus Radar: TXD	PC10
Tmini-Plus Radar: RXD	PC11
Tmini-Plus Radar: GND	GND

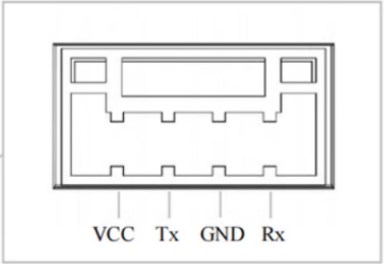
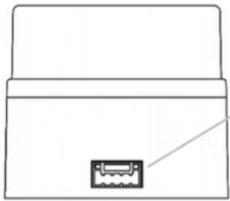


Control Principle

The radar data is parsed by the program, and the distance from the wall and the distance to be maintained for patrolling the wall are set according to the distance collected by the program initialization (radar 72° distance). The 0° distance determines whether there is an obstacle in front.

The right side of the radar needs to be close to the wall, and the angle of distance measurement is 72°

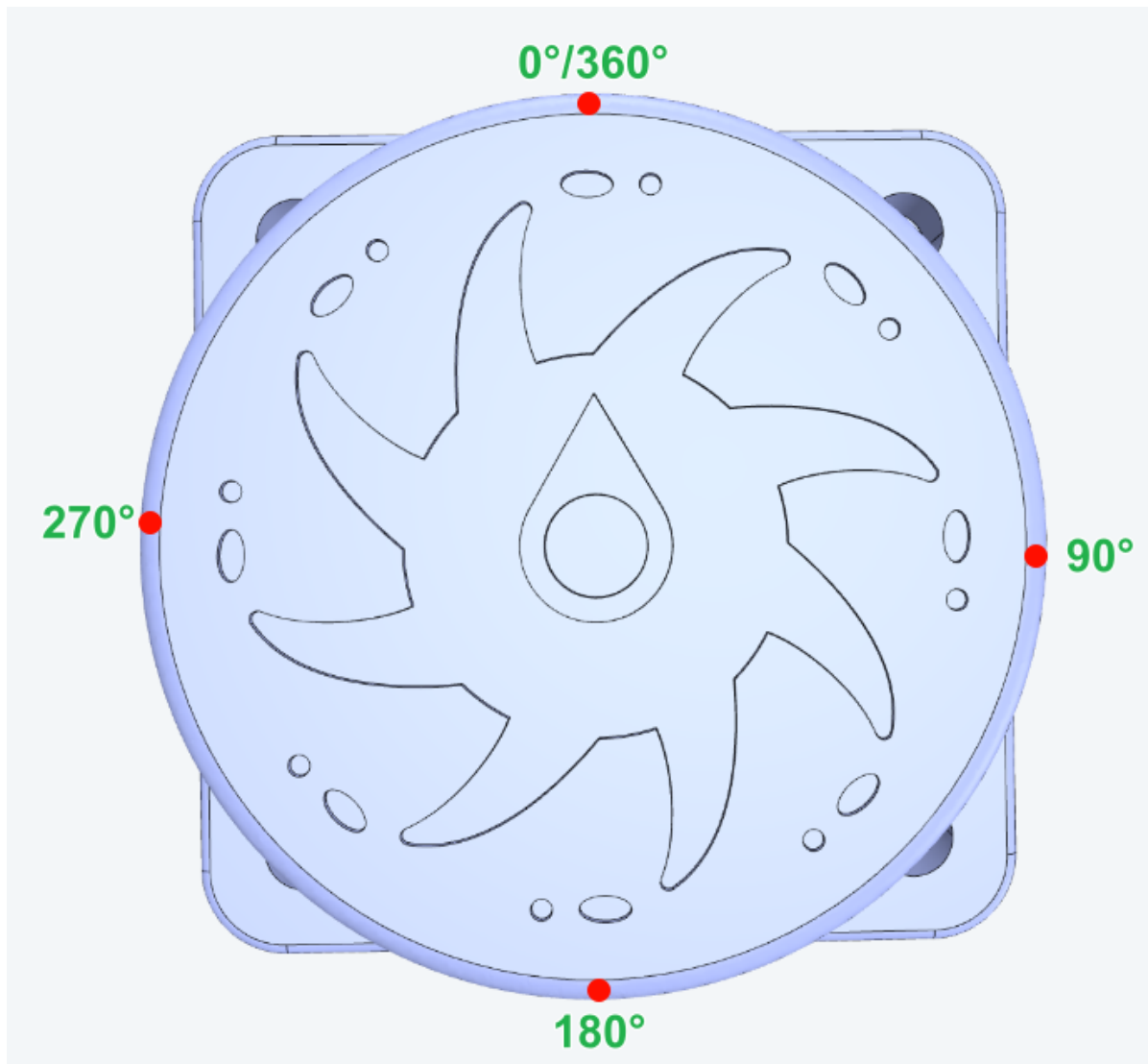
- Tmini-Plus radar



Product name	Tmini-Plus radar
Scanning frequency	6-12Hz
Sampling frequency	4000 times/s
Measuring radius	Black object: 12m
Minimum measuring distance	0.05m
Distance measurement principle	TOF distance measurement
Scanning angle	360°
Communication interface	Standard asynchronous serial port (UART) 1. Baud rate: 230400 2. Data bits: 8 3. Check bit: None 4. Stop bit: 1
ROS support	ROS1/ROS2
Windows support	Host computer

Radar angle distribution

The arrow in the center of the radar points to 0°/360°, and the angle increases clockwise.



Communication protocol

For detailed information, please refer to the "T_Mini_Plus Manual"

Main code

The tutorial mainly explains the code for the radar wall-following function. For detailed code, please refer to the corresponding project file.

LiDar_Straight

The radar wall patrol function adds a turning action to the radar wall patrol function. When there is no obstacle in front of the radar, the radar maintains the wall patrol function. When an obstacle is detected in front of the radar, the radar turns left.

```
void LiDar_Straight(void)
{
    static u16 target_distance=0;

    u16 current_distance=target_distance;

    static u16 Limit_distance=0;    //Maximum detection range of radar
    static u16 get_timedis = 0;
```

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for (u8 i = 0; i < 5; i++) //The detection distance is 72 degrees
{
    if (get_timedis < GET_LidarDIS_Time)
    {
        if (Tminidis[Lidar_Angle] == 0 || Tminidis[Lidar_Angle] > 400) continue;
//Discard data with values of 0 and greater than 400mm

        get_timedis++;
        target_distance = Tminidis[Lidar_Angle]; //Dynamically obtain the
target angle
        Limit_distance = target_distance + 200; //200mm greater than the target
distance, mainly to avoid the disappearance of the reference object causing the
car to quickly turn

        if (get_timedis == (GET_LidarDIS_Time - 1))
        {
            g_lidar_go_flag = 1;
            get_timedis = GET_LidarDIS_Time;
        }
    }

    if (Tminidis[Lidar_Angle] < (Limit_distance)) //Limit the detection range of
the radar
    {
        current_distance = Tminidis[Lidar_Angle]; //Determine distance
    }

}

if (get_timedis < GET_LidarDIS_Time) //Do not take any action until the distance
is determined
{
    return;
}

if (Tminidis[0] > 0 && Tminidis[0] < Limit_distance) //Determine the obstacle
avoidance distance based on the initial value; Because the following distance is
72 degrees, only a left turn is needed
{
    if (lidar_wall_flag == 0)
    {
        lidar_wall_flag = 1;
        myTurn_Kd = 30;
        Move_Z = -600; //turn left
        delay_time_int(1); //10ms
    }

    Move_X = 0;
    Last_error = 0; //Clear PID errors to avoid excessive steering
    return;
}

if (get_time_int() != 0)
{
    return;
}

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else
{
    if(lidar_wall_flag ==1)
    {
        lidar_wall_flag = 0;
        Move_X = 0;
        Move_Z = 0;
        myTurn_Kd = 0;
        return;
    }

}

Set_track_speed();

Move_Z = Distance_Adjust_PID(current_distance,target_distance);
}

```

Distance_Adjust_PID

Perform PID processing based on the distance between the radar and the wall. If the balancing car does not patrol the wall in a straight line effectively, modify the PID parameters of the app_lidar_car.c file. It is not recommended to modify the PID parameters of the pid_control.c file (the PID parameters of the pid_control.c file shall be based on the parameters finally confirmed in the balancing car parameter adjustment tutorial).

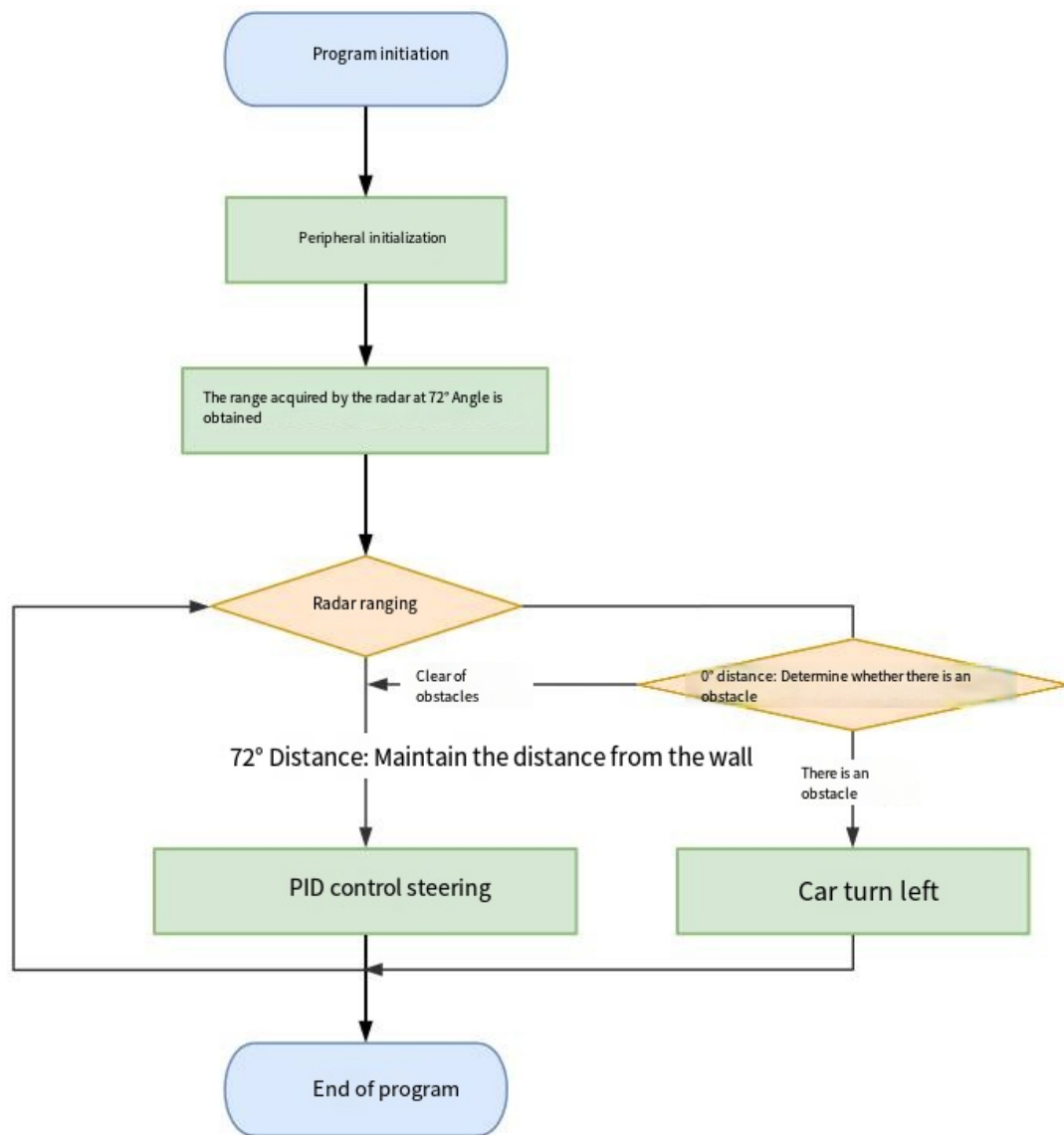
```

float Distance_Adjust_PID(float Current_Distance,float Target_Distance)//PID PID
Distance adjustment PID
{
    error=Target_Distance-Current_Distance;
    //Calculate deviation
    OutPut=-Track_Lidar_KP*error-Track_Lidar_KD*(error-Last_error);
    //Position based PID controller
    Last_error=error;
    //Save last deviation
    return OutPut;
}

```

Program flow chart

Briefly introduce the process of function implementation:



The 72° (right side) of the radar is to detect and maintain the distance from the wall. If you encounter an obstacle in front, you only need to turn left

Experimental phenomenon

Software code

The Balance_Radar_wall_line.hex file generated by the project compilation is located in the OBJ folder of the Balance_Radar_wall_line project. Find the Balance_Radar_wall_line.hex file corresponding to the project and use the FlyMcu software to download the program into the development board.

Product supporting materials source code path: Attachment → Source code summary → 5.Balanced_Car_Extended → 17.Balance_Radar_wall_line

Experimental phenomenon

After the program is started, press KEY1 according to the OLED prompt to start the radar wall-following function of the balance car:

OLED displays wait get dis!: The balance car will take 1 second to obtain the distance of the wall that the radar needs to patrol (the right side of the radar needs to be close to the wall, and the source of the wall patrol distance is the 72° position of the radar); OLED displays start track!: Start the radar wall-following mode.

If an obstacle is encountered during the patrol process, it will turn left; after turning left, it will resume the wall-following mode.

The program has voltage detection. If the voltage is less than 9.6V, a low voltage alarm is triggered and the buzzer will sound.

Common situations for triggering voltage alarms:

1. The power switch of the development board is not turned on, and only the Type-C data cable is connected for power supply
2. The battery pack voltage is lower than 9.6V and needs to be charged in time