

Course12 --- IR control

Note:

1. When performing infrared remote control, the remote controller should face the infrared receiver on the expansion board.
2. There is a plastic piece on the bottom of the infrared remote controller that needs to be taken down for normal use.
3. The infrared light emitted by the infrared remote controller and the infrared receiver is invisible to the human eye. It can be seen under the camera without filtering infrared light.

Learning goal:

This lesson learns how to use infrared receiver to receive and process signals by Python programming.

Code :

Please use the MU software to open the **IR control.py** file we provided.

1) Import the library needed for this lesson from micro:bit, display is used for dot matrix display, tinybit controls the car, sleep delay time, music is play music, pin8 is the pin of the infrared receiver.

display.off (): Turn off the micro:bit dot matrix screen. If it is not turned off, it will conflict with the infrared receiver and cause errors.

tinybit.init_IR (pin8): Initialize the infrared receiver. The parameter is the pin of the infrared sensor.

music.play('c'): Buzzer whistle.

Code as shown below:

```
1 # -*- coding: utf-8-*-# Encoding cookie added by Mu Editor
2 from microbit import display, pin8, sleep
3 import tinybit
4 import music
5
6 display.off()
7 tinybit.init_IR(pin8)
8 music.play('c')
```

According to the hardware interface reference manual, the infrared receiver connect to P8 of micro:bit.

Category	Function	Number	Drive	The number of Drive pin	The number of connected to the controller	micro:bit
Buzzer	Buzzer	FM			FM	P0
Voice sensor	Voice sensor	MIC			MIC	P1
LED light	Water light	LED-RGB			LED-RGB	P12
Tracking sensor	Left tracking	L-DET			L-DET	P13
	Right tracking	R-DET			R-DET	P14
Ultrasonic module	Echo pin	ECHO	Micro:bit drive directly		ECHO	P15
	Trigger pin	TRIG			TRIG	P16
Infrared receiver	Infrared remote control	RX			RX	P8
I2C interface	I2C interface	SCL			SCL	P19
		SDA			SDA	P20
Motor	Left motor Forward	L-IN1	STM8S	PC6/TIM1_CH1		
	Left motor Reverse	L-IN2		PC7/TIM1_CH2		
	Right motor Forward	R-IN1		PC3/TIM1_CH3		
	Right motor Reverse	R-IN2		PC4/TIM1_CH4		
RGB Searching light	Red	LED-R		PC5/TIM2_CH1		
	Green	LED-G		PD3/TIM2_CH2		
	Blue	LED-B		PD2/TIM2_CH3		

1) Read the data received by the infrared receiver, and only take the upper 8 bits. The key code value of the remote control is shown in the following figure:



value = tinybit.get_IR (pin8): read the value received by the infrared receiver and save it to value;

value = value >> 8: Since the data received from the infrared receiver is 16 digits, and the upper 8 and lower 8 bits are reversed, the higher 8 bits can be used.

```

20 while True:
21     # print(hex(tinybit.get_IR(pin8)))
22     value = tinybit.get_IR(pin8)
23     value = value >> 8

```

2) First, we need to process two special values. By default, you will always receive the value-0x01. If you press and hold a key, you will receive 0xff. The variable a is to solve the problem that you may receive -0x01 when you press and hold the key. The code value of each key.

```

16     # default
17     if value == -0x01:
18         music.pitch(0)
19     # long pressed
20     elif value == 0xff:
21         music.pitch(500)

```

3) Press button, buzzer will whistle.

```

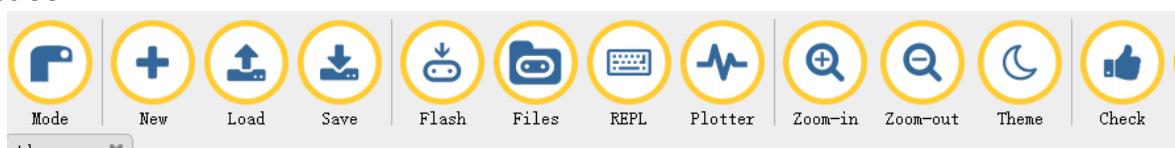
23      # off
24      if value == 0x00:
25          music.play('c')
26      # up
27      elif value == 0x80:
28          music.play('c')
29      # light
30      elif value == 0x40:
31          music.play('c')
32      # left
33      elif value == 0x20:
34          music.play('c')
35      # buzzer
36      elif value == 0xa0:
37          music.play('c')
38      # right
39      elif value == 0x60:
40          music.play('c')

```

Programming and downloading:

1. You should open the Mu software, and enter the code in the edit window, , as shown below.

Note! All English and symbols should be entered in English, and the last line must be a space.



Advance.py

```

1 # -*- coding: utf-8-*# Encoding cookie added by Mu Editor
2 from microbit import display, Image
3 import tinybit
4
5 display.show(Image.ARROW_S)
6 tinybit.car_run(150)
7

```

2. You can click the “Check” button to check if our code has an error. If a line appears with a cursor or an underscore, the program indicating this line is wrong.

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6 tinybit.car_run(150)
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```

The screenshot shows the Mu Editor interface with a file named "Advance.py". The toolbar at the top includes icons for Mode, New, Load, Save, Flash, Files, REPL, Plotter, Zoom-in, Zoom-out, Theme, and Check. The "Check" button is highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to it.

3.Click “REPL” button,check whether the tinybit library has been downloaded. If not, please refer to the [preparation before class]---> [Python programming]

The screenshot shows the Mu Editor with the REPL tab selected. It displays the text: "MicroPython for Tinybit V1.1 Modified by Yahboom Team". Below this, it says "Type "help()" for more information." followed by two command prompts: ">>>" and ">>> |".

4.Click the “Flash” button to download the program to micro:bit board.

The screenshot shows the Mu Editor with the Flash tab highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to it. The toolbar icons are the same as in the first screenshot. The code in the editor is identical to the one in "Advance.py".

If the program is wrong or the experimental phenomenon is wrong after downloading, please confirm whether you have downloaded the Buildingbit libraryhex file we provided to the micro: bit board.

For the specific method of adding library files, please refer to [【1.Preparation before class】](#) --- [【Python programming】](#)

Experimental phenomena

After download is complete, we can hear buzzer sound. When we press the button of the infrared remote controller, buzzer will sound, indicating that the reception is successful.