

# Ultrasonic Distance Measurement using Arduino

## Aim and Objective:

The aim of this project is to teach students the design process of creating Arduino-based sensors that can perform specific functions. The objectives of this project are as follows:

- To understand the design process of Arduino-based sensors.
- To apply Tinkercad-based simulation to real-time implementations.

## 1. Problem Statement:

I identified the problem of accurately measuring distances in real-time, which is crucial in various industries such as robotics, automation, and security. The conventional distance measuring methods are not always reliable and efficient, especially in environments where accuracy is of utmost importance.

## 2. Identification of the Need:

I focused on the need to develop a reliable and efficient method for measuring distances in real-time. I discussed the need to create a distance measuring device that can be used in various applications and can provide accurate and reliable measurements.

## 3. Study of the Pre-existing Solutions:

I conducted research on the pre-existing solutions for distance measurement, such as laser-based and infrared-based distance sensors. However, these solutions are expensive and not suitable for our requirements. I then discovered ultrasonic sensors, which are affordable and suitable for our needs.

## 4. Compare the Need with the Existing Solutions:

I compared our need with the existing solutions and found that ultrasonic sensors are the most suitable for our requirements. They are affordable, accurate, and reliable.

## 5. Identify the Required Specifications:

I brainstormed and identified the required specifications for our ultrasonic distance measurement device. These included the range of the sensor, the accuracy of the measurements, and the output format.

## 6. Find the Related Software/Hardware:

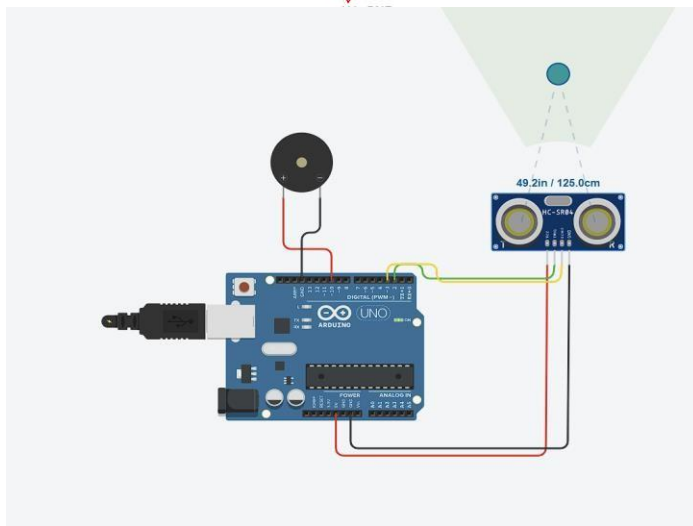
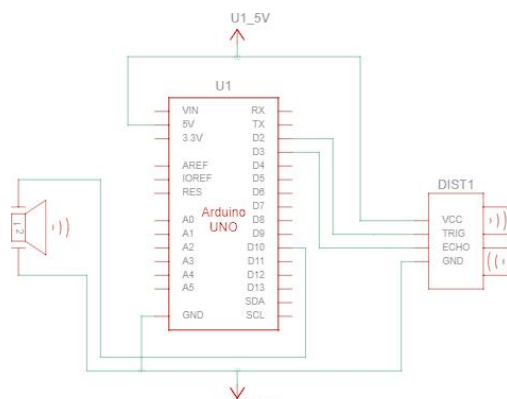
I identified the Arduino platform as the most suitable for our project, and I used the Tinkercad simulator to create and test our project.

## 7. Sketch the Design Process (Flowchart/Process Diagram):

I drew a flowchart and process diagram to visualize the design process of our ultrasonic distance measurement device. I identified the different screens and their interconnections, the working of the push button and a combo box, and the jumping across the screens.

## 8. Draw the Interfaces:

I optimized the interfaces of our device by drawing rough interfaces for the various screens. I ensured that the interfaces are user-friendly and easy to navigate.



## 9. Coding/Implementation:

I coded the interface using the Tinkercad simulator, incorporating the ultrasonic sensor to measure distance in real-time. I tested the device and made necessary adjustments to improve its accuracy. Following code was implemented for the working of project:

## 10. Learning:

Through this activity, I learned the design process of creating Arduino-based sensors, including problem identification, need analysis, solution comparison, specification identification, software/hardware identification, and interface design. I also learned how to incorporate sensors in our project and test them in real-time using the Tinkercad simulator. Overall, this project helped me develop my skills in designing and implementing Arduino-based projects.

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1  int trigger_pin = 2;
2  int echo_pin = 3;
3  int buzzer_pin = 10;
4  int time;
5  int distance;
6  void setup()
7  {
8      Serial.begin (9600);
9      pinMode (trigger_pin, OUTPUT);
10     pinMode (echo_pin, INPUT);
11     pinMode (buzzer_pin, OUTPUT);
12 }
13 void loop()
14 {
15     digitalWrite (trigger_pin, HIGH);
16     delayMicroseconds (10);
17     digitalWrite (trigger_pin, LOW);
18     time = pulseIn (echo_pin, HIGH);
19     distance = (time * 0.034) / 2;
20
21     if (distance <= 10)
22     {
23         Serial.println (" Door Open ");
24         Serial.print (" Distance= ");
25         Serial.println (distance);
26         digitalWrite (buzzer_pin, HIGH);
27         delay (500);
28     }
29     else {
30         Serial.println (" Door closed ");
31         Serial.print (" Distance= ");
32         Serial.println (distance);
33         digitalWrite (buzzer_pin, LOW);
34         delay (500);
35     }
36 }
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