

# Lesson 2 Ultrasonic Detection and Suction

## 1. Working Principle

Ultrasonic sensors is a sensor that converts ultrasonic signals into other energy signals (usually electrical signals). There are two probes on ultrasonic sensor for receiving and transmitting ultrasound.

Firstly, import the corresponding library and initialize ultrasonic sensor, buzzer, servo and action groups.

Next, the object is detected by ultrasonic sensor and the measured distance is read by I2C protocol. After determining the distance, MaxArm will perform the corresponding action based on the determined result.

Then, execute the functions for controlling action group, starting buzzer and air pump to suck the object to the side.

**The path to the program of the source code** is “6. Secondary Development /Sensor-extension Game/Python Development/Program Files/Ultrasonic Detection and Suction/main.py”.

## 2. Preparation

### 1.1 Hardware

Please assemble the ultrasonic sensor to the corresponding position on MaxArm according to the tutorial in folder “Lesson 1 Sensor Assembly” under the same directory.

## 1.2 Software

Please connect MaxArm to Python editor according to the tutorial in folder “4.

Underlying Program Learning/Python Development/Lesson 1 Set

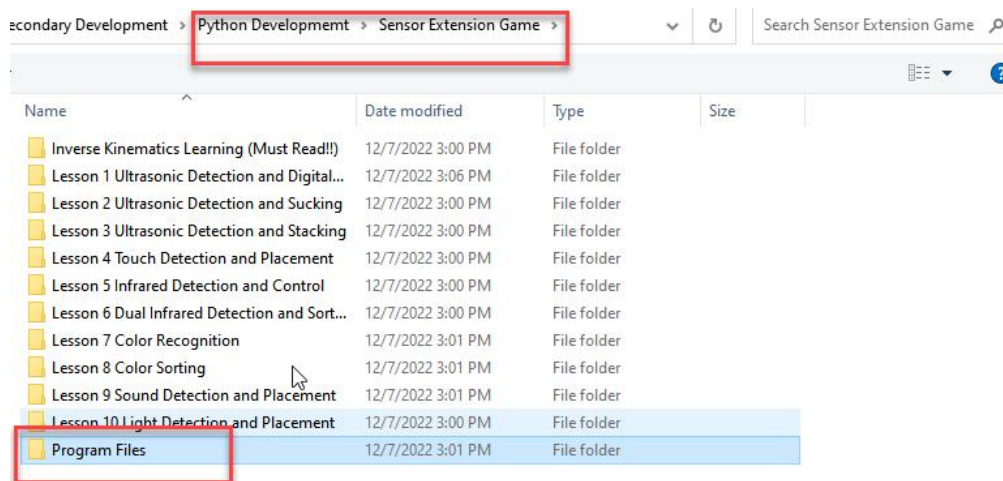
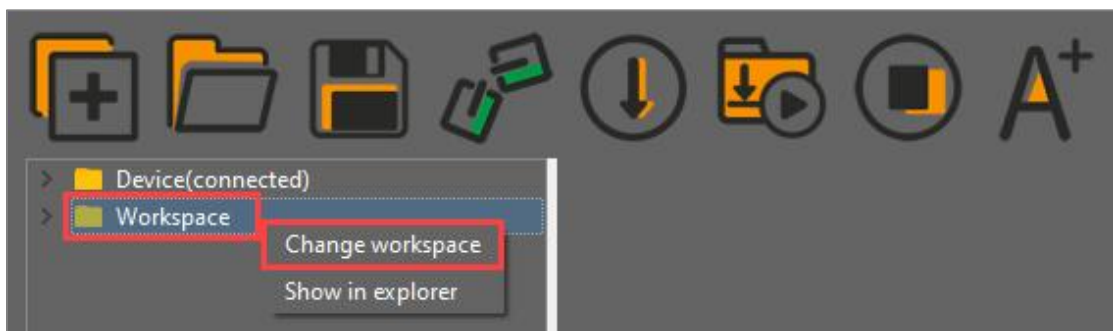
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## 3. Program Download

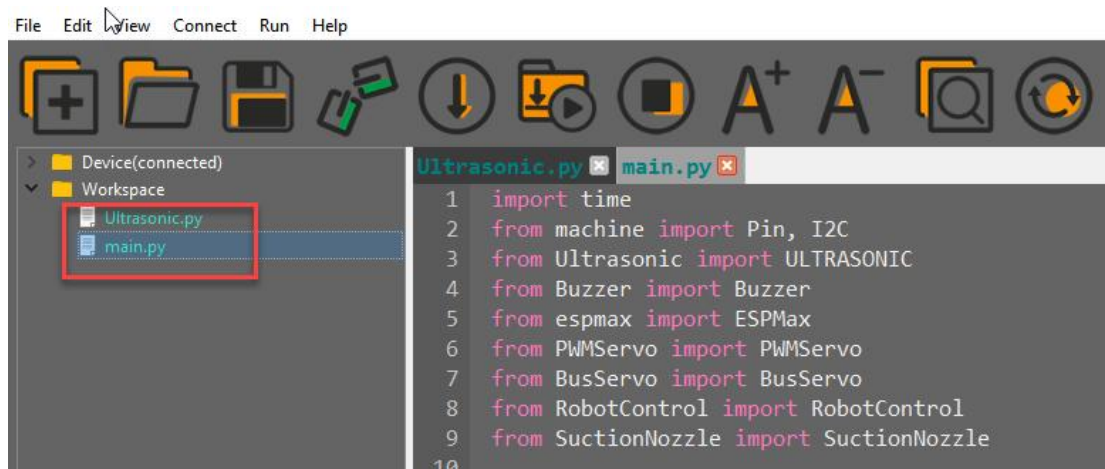
After connecting, change the path of Workspace to “6. Secondary

Development/Sensor-extension Game/Python Development/”, and select

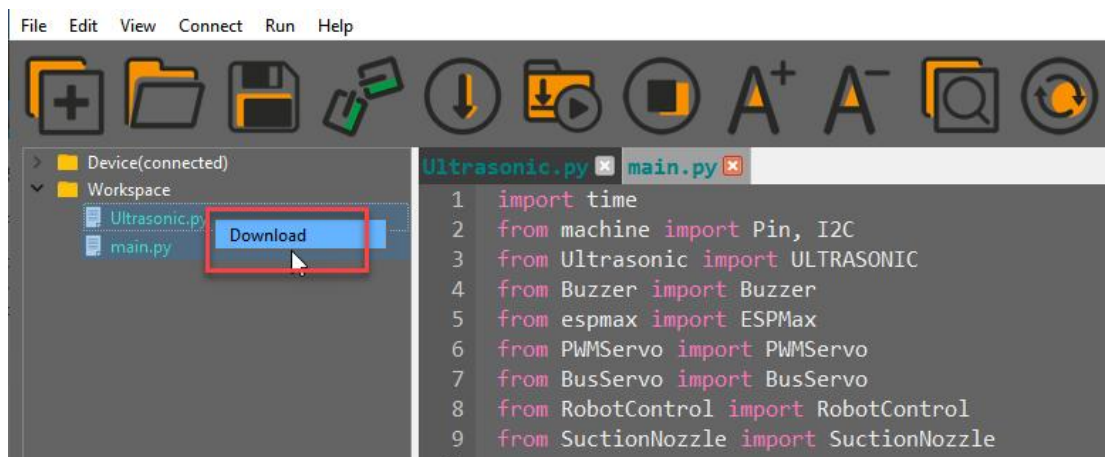
“Program Files”.



- 1) Click the folder “Ultrasonic Detection and Suction”, and then select all the program files in the folder.



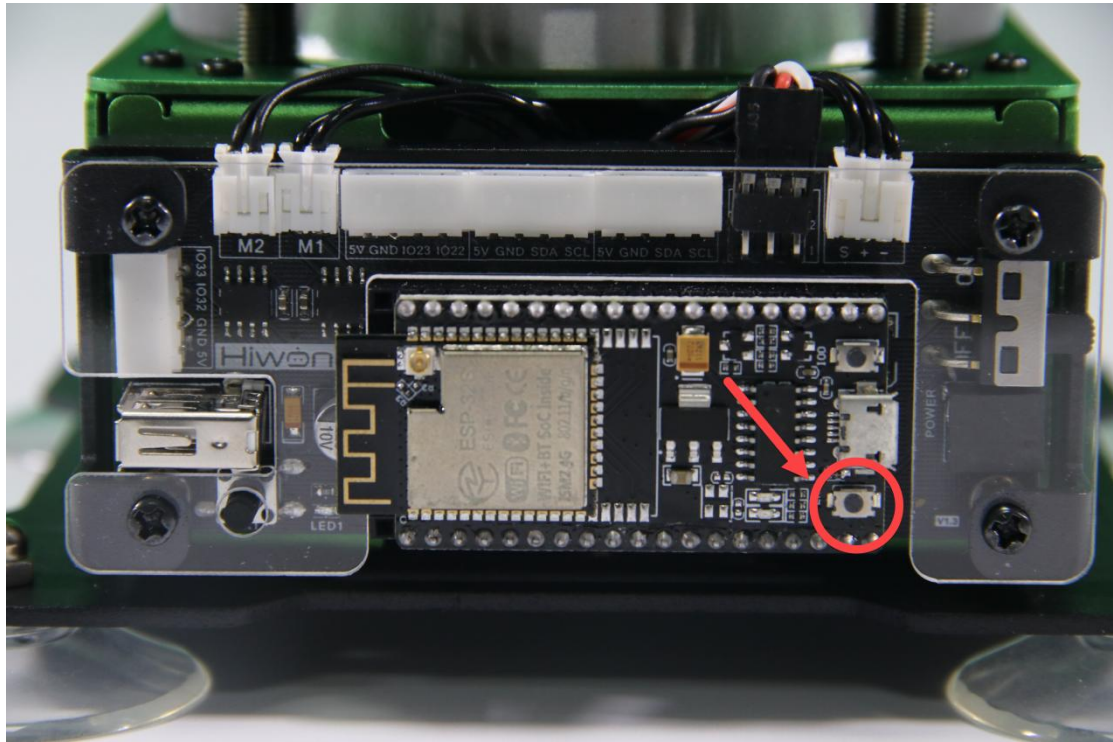
- 2) Then right click to download all the program files to the controller.



When the terminal prints the prompt as shown in the image below, it means download completed.

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>>>
Downloading files
Start downloading Ultrasonic.py.....
Ultrasonic.py Download ok !
>>>
Start downloading main.py.....
main.py Download ok !
>>>
```

- 3) After downloading, click on the reset icon or press the reset button on ESP32 controller to run program.



## 4. Project Outcome

After the object is detected by ultrasonic sensor, the buzzer will make “Di” sound, and the robotic arm will move to the object. Then suck and place the object to the right. After the air pump stops, MaxArm will return to the initial posture.

## 5. Program Instruction

### 5.1 Import library file

Before carrying out detection and suction, the I2C protocol, ultrasonic sensor, buzzer, PWM servo, bus servo, air pump and other related Python function

libraries are imported.

The path to the program of the source code is “6. Secondary Development /Python Development/Sensor-extension Game/Sensor Programs/ Ultrasonic Detection and Suction/mian.py”

```
1 import time
2 from machine import Pin, I2C
3 from Ultrasonic import ULTRASONIC
4 from Buzzer import Buzzer
5 from espmax import ESPMax
6 from PWMServo import PWMServo
7 from BusServo import BusServo
8 from RobotControl import RobotControl
9 from SuctionNozzle import SuctionNozzle
```

## 5.2 Ultrasonic detection

The distance is measured by suing hwsr06.getDistance() function, and then use print() function to print out the measured distance.

```
38 Distance = hwsr06.getDistance()
39 print("distance = ", Distance)
```

## 5.3 Control robotic arm

Determine the distance of the front object first. If the object is between 60 and 80mm, MaxArm will perform the corresponding action.



```

40  if 70 < Distance < 80:
41      buzzer.setBuzzer(100)
42      arm.set_position((0,-160,100),1500)
43      time.sleep_ms(1000)
44      arm.set_position((0,-160,85),800)
45      nozzle.on()
46      time.sleep_ms(1000)
47      arm.set_position((0,-160,200),1000) #
48      time.sleep_ms(1000)
49      arm.set_position((70,-150,200),800) #
50      nozzle.set_angle(30,600)
51      time.sleep_ms(1000)
52      nozzle.set_angle(35,300)
53      arm.set_position((70,-150,90),800) #
54      time.sleep_ms(800)
55      arm.set_position((130,-150,88),500) #
56      time.sleep_ms(500)
57      nozzle.off()
58      arm.set_position((130,-150,200),1000)
59      time.sleep_ms(1000)
60      arm.go_home()
61      nozzle.set_angle(0,2000)
62      time.sleep_ms(2000)

```

Use the `buzzer.setBuzzer()` function to control buzzer. Take the code “`buzzer.setBuzzer(100)`” as example:

The first parameter “(0, -160, 100)” is the position of the suction nozzle on x, y and z axes.

The second parameter “1500” is the running time and the unit is ms.

Use the `nozzle.set_angle()` function to control the rotation of the suction nozzle. Take the code “`nozzle.set_angle(30,600)`” as example:

The first parameter “30” is the angle of PWM servo.

The second parameter “600” is the running time and the unit is ms.