In modifying the Sense-Think-Act system from Task M1.T1P to Task M1.T2P, we transitioned from a polling-based approach in the loop function to an interrupt-driven method using Timer1. This change leverages Timer1's ability to generate periodic interrupts, allowing us to handle distance measurements from the HC-SR04 ultrasonic sensor with higher efficiency and responsiveness. Instead of continuously checking sensor data in the loop, which can be resource-intensive, the system now utilizes a timer interrupt to trigger distance measurement at regular intervals (every 100 milliseconds). This approach frees up the main execution loop to focus on processing the measured data and controlling the LED based on distance criteria. The interrupt service routine (ISR) sets a flag indicating when to measure the distance, allowing the main loop to handle distance calculations and LED control more effectively. This modification enhances the system's ability to manage high-priority tasks, demonstrating a more refined use of real-time processing in embedded systems.

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const int triggerPin = 9; // Pin for HC-SR04 trigger

const int echoPin = 10; // Pin for HC-SR04 echo

const int ledPin = 13; // Pin for the LED

volatile bool measureDistance = false; // Flag to indicate when to measure distance

volatile float measuredDistance = 0.0; // Store the measured distance

void setup() {

pinMode(triggerPin, OUTPUT); // Set trigger pin as an OUTPUT

pinMode(echoPin, INPUT); // Set echo pin as an INPUT

pinMode(ledPin, OUTPUT); // Set LED pin as an OUTPUT

Serial.begin(9600); // Initialize serial communication

// Configure Timer1 to trigger an interrupt every 100 milliseconds

noInterrupts(); // Disable interrupts while configuring timer

TCCR1A = 0;

TCCR1B = 0;

TCNT1 = 0; // Initialize counter value to 0

OCR1A = 15624; // Set compare match register for 100ms (assuming 16MHz clock)

TCCR1B |= (1 << WGM12); // Turn on CTC mode

TCCR1B |= (1 << CS12) | (1 << CS10); // Set prescaler to 1024

TIMSK1 |= (1 << OCIE1A); // Enable Timer1 compare interrupt

interrupts(); // Enable interrupts

}

void loop() {

// Check if it's time to measure distance

if (measureDistance) {

measureDistance = false; // Reset flag

// Send a signal to the trigger pin

digitalWrite(triggerPin, LOW);

delayMicroseconds(2);

digitalWrite(triggerPin, HIGH);

delayMicroseconds(10);

digitalWrite(triggerPin, LOW);

// Read the duration of the pulse from the echo pin

long pulseDuration = pulseIn(echoPin, HIGH);

// Convert the pulse duration to distance in centimeters

measuredDistance = (pulseDuration / 2.0) \* 0.0344;

// Display the measured distance on the Serial Monitor

Serial.print("Measured Distance: ");

Serial.print(measuredDistance);

Serial.println(" cm");

// Determine if the measured distance is approximately 113.4 cm

if (abs(measuredDistance - 113.4) < 1.0) { // Acceptable error margin of 1 cm

// Activate the LED with a blink pattern

digitalWrite(ledPin, HIGH);

delay(500); // LED on for 500 milliseconds

digitalWrite(ledPin, LOW);

delay(500); // LED off for 500 milliseconds

} else {

// Ensure the LED is turned off if distance does not match

digitalWrite(ledPin, LOW);

}

}

delay(100); // Short pause before the next measurement

}

// Timer1 interrupt service routine

ISR(TIMER1\_COMPA\_vect) {

measureDistance = true; // Set flag to measure distance

}

<https://github.com/s223200581/module1-task-1.2p/upload>