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Ultra Sonic range measurement module

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Introduction

Seeed ultrasonic sensor is non-contact distance measurement module, which is also compatible with electronic brick. It's designed for easy modular project usage with industrial performance.

Model: SEN136B5B

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Features

- Detecting range: 3cm-4m
- Best in 30 degree angle
- Electronic brick compatible interface
- 5VDC power supply
- Breadboard friendly
- Dual transducer
- Arduino library ready

Specification

Supply voltage	5V
Global Current Consumption	15 mA
Ultrasonic Frequency	40k Hz
Maximal Range	400 cm
Minimal Range	3 cm
Resolution	1 cm
Trigger Pulse Width	10 μs
Outline Dimension	43x20x15 mm

Usage

Hardware Installation

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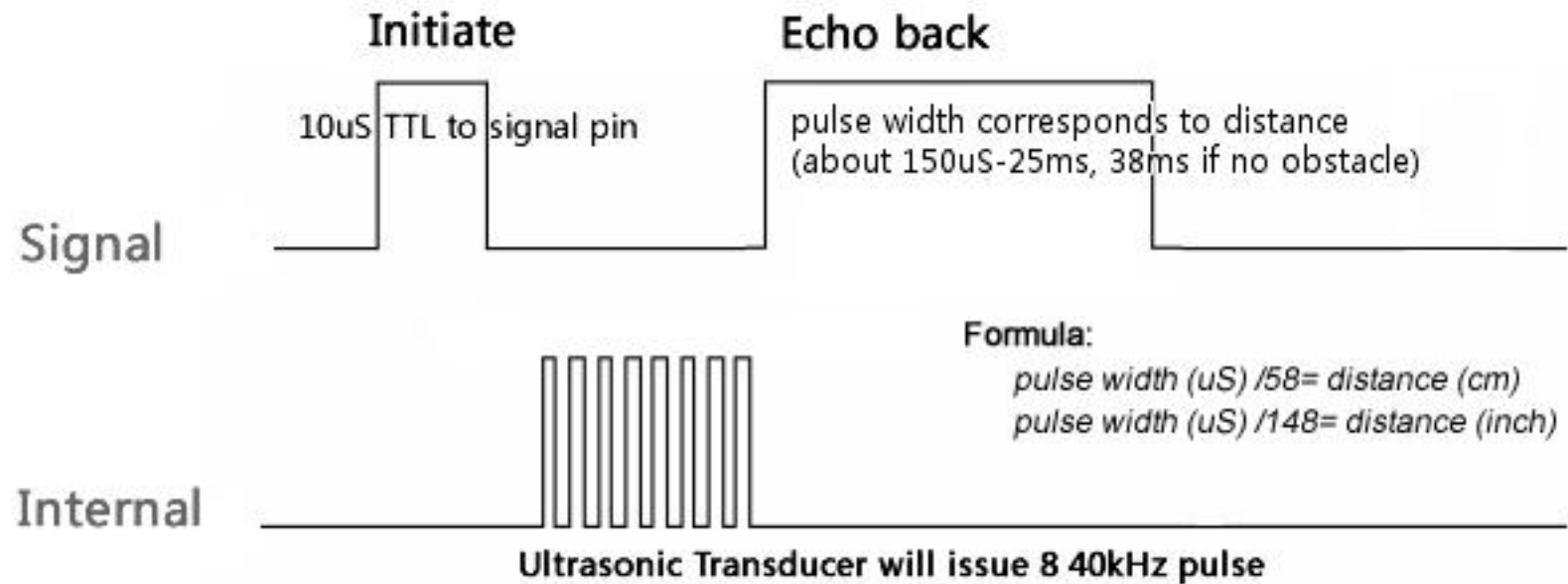
A short ultrasonic pulse is transmitted at the time 0, reflected by an object. The senor receives this signal and converts it to an electric signal. The next pulse can be transmitted when the echo is faded away. This time period is called cycle period. The recommend cycle period should be no less than 50ms. If a 10μs width trigger pulse is sent to the signal pin, the Ultrasonic module will output eight 40kHz ultrasonic signal and detect the echo back. The measured distance is proportional to the echo pulse width and can be calculated by the formula above. If no obstacle is detected, the output pin will give a 38ms high level signal.

Programming

Includes important code snippet. Demo code like :

```
/*****************************************************************************/
//      Function: Measure the distance to obstacles in front and print the distance
//                       value to the serial terminal.The measured distance is from
//                       the range 0 to 400cm(157 inches).
//      Hardware: Ultrasonic Range sensor
//      Arduino IDE: Arduino-1.0
//      Author:  LG
//      Date:    Jan 17,2013
//      Version: v1.0 modified by FrankieChu
//      by www.seeedstudio.com
```

```cpp
//
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//
/***************************************************************************/
#include "Arduino.h"
class Ultrasonic
{
        public:
                Ultrasonic(int pin);
        void DistanceMeasure(void);
                long microsecondsToCentimeters(void);
                long microsecondsToInches(void);
        private:
                int _pin;//pin number of Arduino that is connected with SIG pin of Ultrasonic Ranger.
        long duration;// the Pulse time received;
};
Ultrasonic::Ultrasonic(int pin)
{
        _pin = pin;
}
/*Begin the detection and get the pulse back signal*/
void Ultrasonic::DistanceMeasure(void)
{
    pinMode(_pin, OUTPUT);
        digitalWrite(_pin, LOW);
        delayMicroseconds(2);
        digitalWrite(_pin, HIGH);
        delayMicroseconds(5);
        digitalWrite(_pin,LOW);
        pinMode(_pin,INPUT);
        duration = pulseIn(_pin,HIGH);
}
/*The measured distance from the range 0 to 400 Centimeters*/
long Ultrasonic::microsecondsToCentimeters(void)
{
```

```
        return duration/29/2;
}
/*The measured distance from the range 0 to 157 Inches*/
long Ultrasonic::microsecondsToInches(void)
{
        return duration/74/2;
}

Ultrasonic ultrasonic(7);
void setup()
{
        Serial.begin(9600);
}
void loop()
{
        long RangeInInches;
        long RangeInCentimeters;
        ultrasonic.DistanceMeasure();// get the current signal time;
    RangeInInches = ultrasonic.microsecondsToInches();//convert the time to inches;
        RangeInCentimeters = ultrasonic.microsecondsToCentimeters();//convert the time to centimeters
        Serial.println("The distance to obstacles in front is: ");
        Serial.print(RangeInInches);//0~157 inches
        Serial.println(" inch");
        Serial.print(RangeInCentimeters);//0~400cm
        Serial.println(" cm");
        delay(100);
}
```

Version Tracker

Revision	Descriptions	Release
v1.0	Seeed Ultrasonic Sensor	May 14, 2010

Resources

The resources need to be downloaded, like Eagle file, Demo code, project or other datasheet.

Support

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