

Ultrasonic Distance Measuring Device

Abstract

A handheld device that measures distance using an HC-SR04 sensor and displays values on a 0.96-inch OLED display.

Key Components

- Arduino Nano
- HC-SR04 Ultrasonic Sensor
- SSD1306 I²C OLED
- TP4056 Li-ion Charger
- 3D-Printed Enclosure

Working Principle

The microcontroller triggers the ultrasonic burst, captures echo time via interrupt, computes distance, and updates the display.

Results & Observations

Calibration against a steel ruler shows ± 2 mm accuracy from 5 cm to 250 cm. Battery runtime is 6 hours. Future work includes adding Bluetooth and a rechargeable battery.

Future Enhancements

- Add Bluetooth BLE to stream readings to a phone
- Replace ultrasonic with ToF sensor for lower blind zone
- Add EEPROM to log measurements