4S-Savvy Sightless Schooner and Stick

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Abstract- Outwardly weakened individuals discover troubles recognizing snags before them, during strolling in the road, which makes it perilous. The savvy stick comes as a proposed answer for empower them to recognize the world around. In this paper we propose an answer, spoke to in a brilliant stay with infrared sensor to recognize stair-cases and pair of ultrasonic sensor to identify some other obstructions before the client, inside a scope of four meters. Also, another sensor is put at the base of the stick for maintaining a strategic distance from puddles. Discourse cautioning messages and the vibration engine are actuated when any obstruction is recognized. This proposed framework utilizes the microcontroller 18F46K80 installed framework; vibration engine and ISD1932 streak memory. The stick is fit for distinguishing all hindrances in the range 4 meter during 39 ms and gives an appropriate regard message engaging heedless to move twice his ordinary speed since she/he has a sense of security. The savvy stick is of minimal effort, quick reaction, low power utilization, light weight and capacity to crease.
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I. INTRODUCTION

Outwardly hindered individuals are the general population who can't recognize littlest detail with solid eyes. The individuals who have the visual sharpness of 6/60 or the even degree of the visual field with the two eyes open not exactly or equivalent to 20 degrees, these individuals are viewed as visually impaired [1]. Such individuals need helping gadgets for visual deficiency related handicaps. As portrayed in [2] 10% of visually impaired have no usable vision at all to enable them to move around freely and securely. The electronic helping gadgets are intended to comprehend such issue. To record data about the impediments nearness in a street, dynamic or uninvolved sensors can be utilized. If there should arise an occurrence of an aloof sensor, the sensor just gets a sign. It identifies the reflected, produced or transmitted electro-attractive radiation given by characteristic vitality sources. In the event of utilizing a functioning sensor, the sensor radiates a sign and gets a contorted form of the reflected sign. It recognizes reflected reactions from articles illuminated with falsely produced vitality sources. These sort of dynamic sensors are equipped for detecting and identifying far and close impediments. Also, it decides an exact estimation of the separation between the visually impaired and the impediment. By and large, in the hindrance location space four distinct kinds of dynamic sensors might be utilized: infrared, laser, ultrasonic, notwithstanding radar sensors. Bat K Sonar [3], Smart Cane [4], Smart vision [5], Guide Cane [6], utilize ultrasonic sensors or laser sensors to recognize impediments before visually impaired by transmitting the wave and gathering of reflected waves. It delivers either a sound or vibration in light of identified impediments to caution daze. Frameworks like voice [7], Sound View [8], SVETA [9] and CASBLIP [10], utilize single camera or stereo camcorders mounted on a wearable gadget to catch pictures. These caught pictures are re-sized, handled further and changed over to discourse, sound, melodic sounds or vibrations. In such frameworks, the recurrence of caution sound sign is connected with the direction of pixels. Some propelled frameworks utilize Global Positioning System (GPS) incorporation with the primary framework. It's likewise essential that GPS collector is helpful for understanding the present area of the subject and adjacent tourist spots. A few arrangements are as of now accessible in the market, for example, UltraCanne [11], Isonic [12], and Teletact [13] and others [14]. These items help visually impaired individuals by gathering data through sensors and after those transmitting suggestions through vibration or sound message to the client. These arrangements still have numerous drawbacks for instance; They can't recognize checks that are covered up yet extremely hazardous for the visually impaired, for example, descending stairs, openings and so on. More often than not, the input data turns out as either vibration or sound sign. Along these lines, these frameworks convey their proposals to the client through sound or recurrence vibration. Thusly, preparing is then important to enable the client to comprehend the sign and to respond to them progressively. Nonetheless, such preparing is in some cases more costly than the item itself. Along these lines, clients can't manage the cost of it [15]. Something else, the data is transmitted as a sound it might humiliate for the visually impaired individual in broad daylight. In our work we attempted to defeat some of drawback:

• We structured stick to identify hindrances and its ready to perceive and talk to anyone might hear the upward and descending stairs or puddles as appeared in Fig. 1.

• The preparation of our item isn't as costly as preparing in other item. Our preparation is only depiction of stick segment and utilization position.

• We utilize two offices to transmit data to the visually impaired. We incorporated vibration engine in the hand of stick and discourse cautioning message pack that protecting it's characteristic measurement to keep it easy to use.
• With help of headphone the discourse cautioning message unit can talk to anyone might hear cautioning message to the visually impaired.
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3. With guide of headphone the discourse cautioning message pack can talk to anyone might hear cautioning message to the blind instead of vast sound and open shame.
4. We accomplished quick reaction time determined as 39 ms in normal separation ≤400 cm before hitting the hindrances.
• Regarding convenience and autonomy of visually impaired we included an office of simple inquiry to the stick as remote (area or situating of the stick).

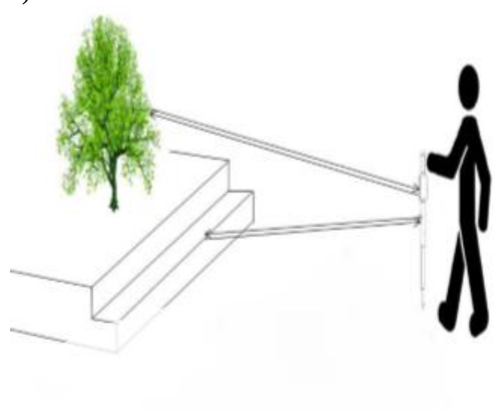

Figure 1. Smart stick detects obstacles in front of the blind

II. SYSTEM DESIGN

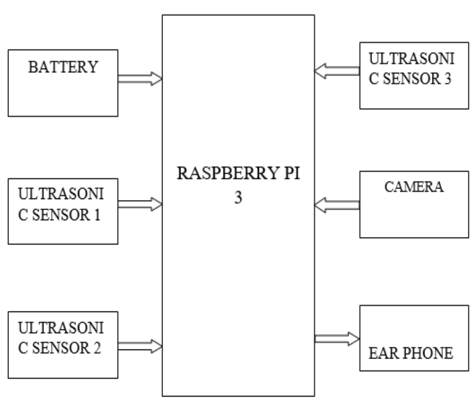

Figure 2. Block diagram of electronic smart stick

2.1. Ultrasonic Sensor:

Ultrasonic ranging module HC- SR04 provides 2cm - 40cm the ranging accuracy can reach to 3mm.The modules includes ultrasonic transmitter, receiver and control circuit.

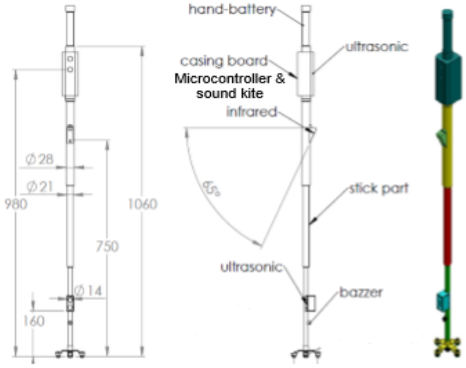

Figure 3. Design of the smart stick Smart stick detects obstacles in front of the blind.

2.2 Raspberry Pi3 With Camera:

The Raspberry Pi Camera Module is a custom designed add-on for Raspberry Pi. It attaches to Raspberry Pi by way of one of the two small sockets on the board upper surface. This interface uses the dedicated CSI interface, which was designed especially for interfacing to cameras. The CSI bus is capable of extremely high data rates, and it exclusively carries pixel data.

2.3 Ear Phone

Earphones are used as output device which gives the audio output of all the features of smart stick such as object identification, step identification.

III. RESULTS and DISCUSSIONS

Ultrasonic sensors, infrared sensor, PIC 18F46K80 and ISD1932 are tested individually as well as integrated. As ultrasonic sensors work on principle of echo, studying of its reflection on different obstacle is very important. The measurement cycle starts with microcontroller transmitting the 10µs high level pulse to the sensor trigger pin to start ranging (T1), then the sensor will send out ultrasonic signal with 40 kHz and 450µs (T2) and then wait to capture the rising edge output by echo port (T3) from 150µs: 25ms, depending on measured distance as shown in Fig. 10. In case of no obstacle (no signal reflected) it waits 38ms before it restarts transmission.

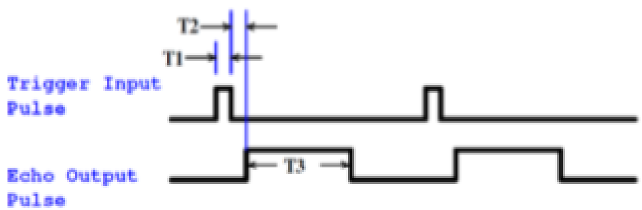

Figure 4. Timing diagram

Ultrasonic distance sensor uses time of flight (TOF) to detect obstacle - the output is a digital pulse which length is the time it takes for the sound to reach the target and return.

Several experiments were done on obstacles at different distance and the average TOF results are shown in Fig. 5.

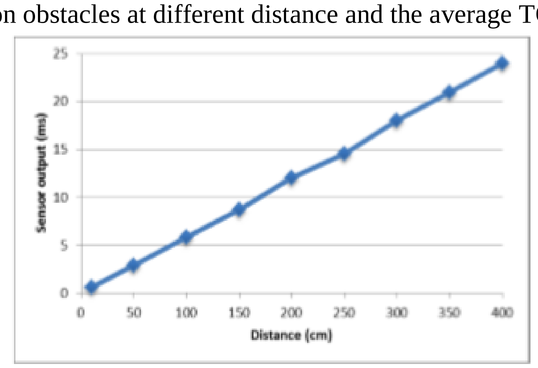

Figure 5. Time of flight vs measured distance of ultrasonic sensor

Table 1. Result Of Ultrasonic Sensor Comparison

Distance (cm)	Analog value calculated (mV)	Analog value measured (mV)	error
5	25	24	1 mv
10	50	48.8	1.8 mv
20	100	97.6	2.4 mv
30	150	146.4	3.6 mv
40	200	195.3	4.7 mv
50	250	244.15	5.85 mv
75	375	366	9 mv
100	500	489	11 mv
150	750	732	16 mv
200	1000	976.6	23.4 mv
250	1250	1220.7	29.3 mv
300	1500	1464.9	35.1 mv
350	1750	1709	41 mv
400	2000	1953.2	46.8 mv

We tested how the ultrasonic sensors performance in lab compared to simulated calculation. TABLE I and Fig. 6 are present comparison of the ultrasonic sensor analog voltage value between the calculation value and measurement value. Thereafter the error is calculated in small range 5:50 cm error is 1– 6 mv, medium range 75:200 cm error is 9 – 23 mv and far range 250:400 cm error is 30 – 47 mv.

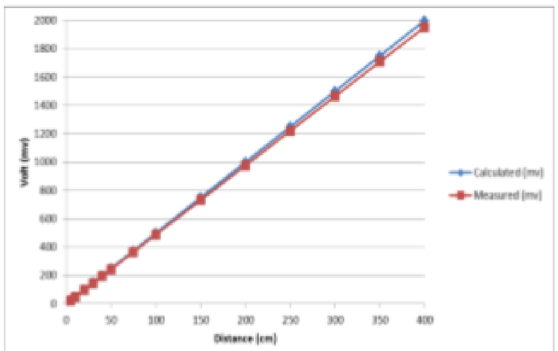

Figure 6. Difference between calculated and measured value

To evaluate the performance of this stick, testing is performed in real world, by actual beneficiaries (trained and untrained) blind people. Two experiments have been carried out using a number of obstacles. The experiment was conducted by six blind people from which two were trained on using the stick and four were not. During experiment, a blind person was asked to walk through the testing area where different type of obstacles has been placed within 15 meter range. The user's walking speed is recorded. Time taken by trained and untrained for successfully walking through the obstacles is measured. Then we calculated the average speed of trained users to be 0.80 m/s and untrained users to be 0.41 m/s. In comparison with the traveling speed of the sighted people be (1.4 m/s). This result hows that training of the user reflected in gaining twice traveling speed and also increased the user trust in avoiding obstacles in free path.

The proposed system should be compared with available and up to date technology. Several parameters should be considered to evaluate the performance of the proposed guidance system such as the range of detection, time response and power consumption.

The first parameter is the range of detection. A tool which can find obstacles throughout 0-2m can be considered as a low range device, 2-4m as medium range, while higher than 4m is considered as high range.

he second parameter is the response time, and a system sensing and responding 0–100ms is regarded as fast, 100–200ms medium and higher than 200ms as slow.

The third important parameter is the power consumption of the system and how long it will stay working without the need to recharge. The following ratings are considered: consumption of an electrical power of 0 0.5W is regarded as low power, 0.5–1W as medium consumption, and higher than 1W as high consumption.

The device is portable if it is light in weight and the user can easily wear for extended period of time otherwise it is considered non-portable. We compared our performance with last 5 years literature with 3 devices. Vibration and Voice Operated Navigation System for Visually Impaired Person [17] consists of three ultrasonic sensors ,raspberry pie using the feedback through vibration and voice alerts the user if any obstacle is around and within 70cm, A Smart Infrared Microcontroller-Based Blind Guidance System [18] consists of three infrared sensor, microcontroller 16F877A using feedback through vibration and tune speakers warn the user if any obstacles is around within 2 m, Ultrasonic Spectacles and Waist-belt for Visually Impaired and Blind Person [21] consists of five ultrasonic sensors, APR9600 audio recording and playback flash memory, earphone with AT89S52 microcontroller.

IV. CONCLUSION

The Smart Stick goes about as an essential stage for the coming age of all the more supporting gadgets to help the outwardly disabled to be increasingly protected. It is compelling and bear. It prompts great outcomes in recognizing the deterrents lying in front of the client in a scope of four meters, identifying stairs and water pits. This framework offers a minimal effort, dependable, versatile, low power utilization and vigorous answer for route with evident short reaction time. Despite the fact that the framework is hard-set up with sensors and different parts, it's light in weight. Further parts of this framework can be improved by means of remote network between the framework segments, consequently, expanding the scope of the ultrasonic sensor and executing an innovation for deciding the speed of moving toward hindrances. While growing such an engaging arrangement, outwardly debilitated and visually impaired individuals in every single creating nation were over our needs the Smart Stick goes about as an essential stage for the coming age of all the more supporting gadgets to help the outwardly disabled to be increasingly protected. It is compelling and bear. It prompts great outcomes in recognizing the deterrents lying in front of the client in a scope of four meters, identifying stairs and water pits. This framework offers a minimal effort, dependable, versatile, low power utilization and vigorous answer for route with evident short reaction time. Despite the fact that the framework is hard-set up with sensors and different parts, it's light in weight. Further parts of this framework can be improved by means of remote network between the framework segments, consequently, expanding the scope of the ultrasonic sensor and executing an innovation for deciding the speed of moving toward hindrances. While growing such an engaging arrangement, outwardly debilitated and visually impaired individuals in every single creating nation were over our needs.

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