

A blurred, blue-tinted silhouette of a woman in a business suit walking from left to right, carrying a briefcase. The background is a bright, overexposed outdoor scene with a red square in the top-left corner.

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Purpose

- The company seeks to expand fields of science
- Open up fields that mechatronics can exploit
- People with disabilities are neglected
- Increase funding for diverse causes

Newest Invention

- Smart Cane 2003 –(SC03)



Brush motor



Infrared sensor



Ultrasonic sensor



SC03

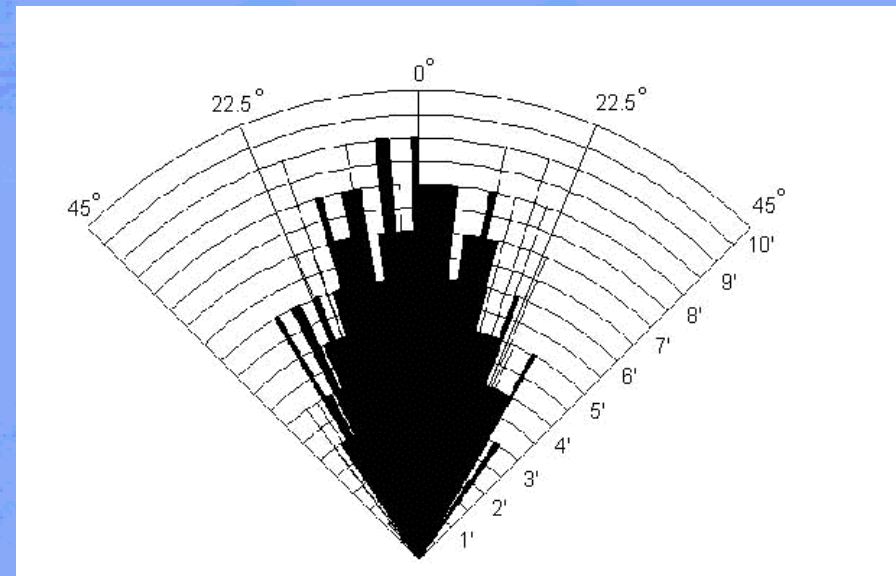
Transmitter & receiver

Functionality

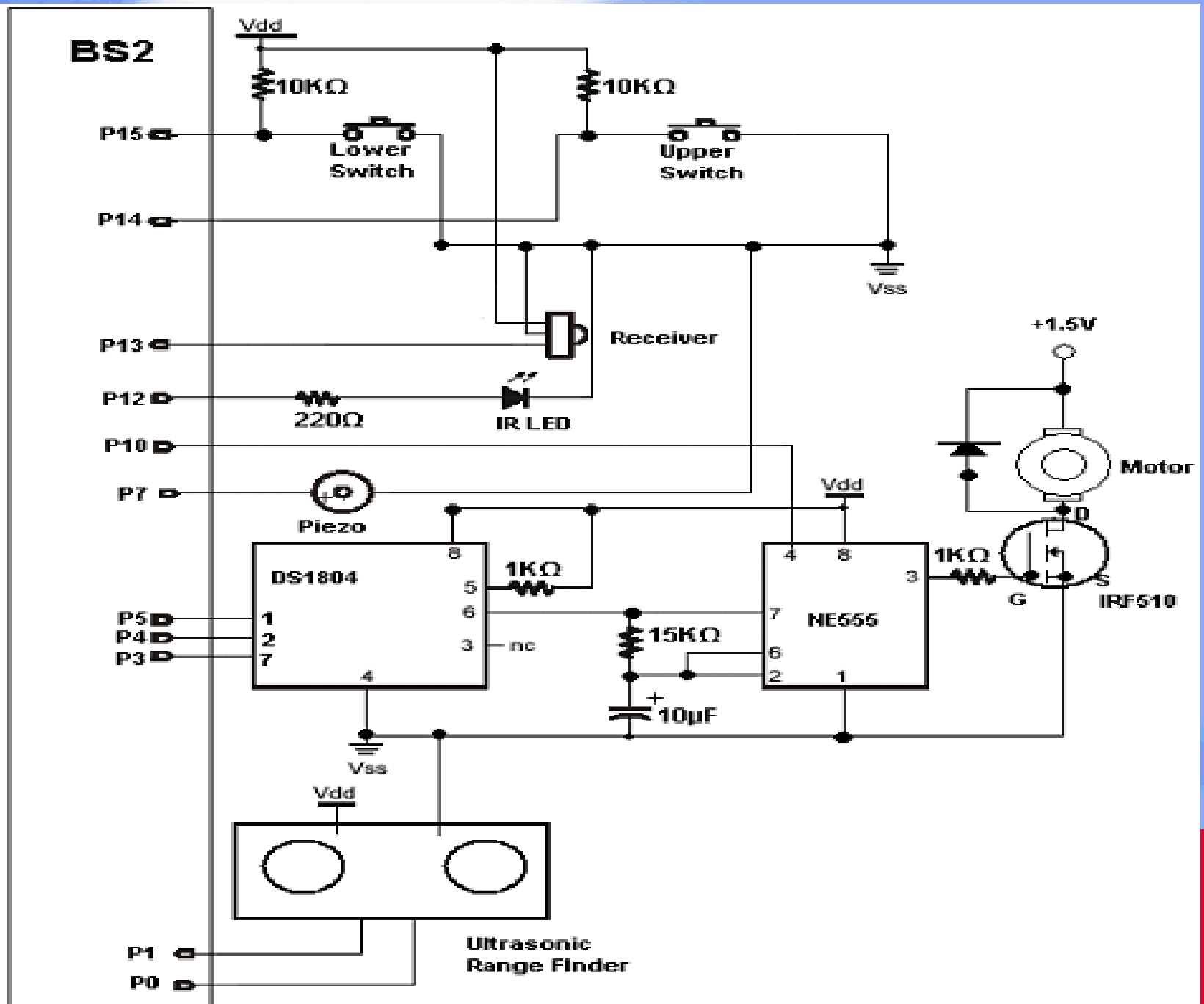
- Detect objects in path with 3 different levels (sonar)
- Detect stairs (preventing falls)
- Convenient activation and termination of device
- Measures in place to prevent loss of device

Main Hardware Component

- Range (3cm to 3m)
- Frequency 40KHz
- 90 degree search width



Circuit Schematic



Code - Sonar

```
'-----sonar sensor-----  
wDist var word  
INT con 0  
ECHO con 1  
  
convfac con 74  
  
main_sonar:  
pulsout INT, 5  
output INT  
rctime ECHO, 1, wDist  
wDist = wDist/convfac  
pause 10  
debug dec wDist, cr  
if wDist<24 then motor1  
if wDist<36 then motor2  
if wDist<48 then motor3  
  
if in14=1 then clik  
goto clik0
```

Code - motor (sample)

```
'-----motor levels-----  
motor1:  
  
output 10 '555 timer on/off  
output 4  'up/down  
output 5  'increment  
output 3  ' chip select  
  
high 10  
low 3  
low 4  
  
for x = 1 to 99  
high 5  
low 5  
next  
  
high 4  
  
for y = 1 to 1  
high 5  
low 5  
next  
  
goto here  
'
```


Concerns about Design

- Sonar device may elicit unwanted responses from animals

Frequency Range of Hearing for Humans and Selected Animals:

Animal	Frequency (hertz)	
	Low	High
Humans	20	20,000
Cats	100	32,000
Dogs	40	46,000
Horses	31	40,000
Elephants	16	12,000
Cattle	16	40,000
Bats	1,000	150,000
Grasshoppers and locusts	100	50,000
Rodents	1,000	100,000
Whales and dolphins	70	150,000
Seals and sea lions	200	55,000

Concerns about Design (cont.)

- Ultrasonic Dog Chaser produces a discomfoting, but not harmful, high frequency sound, audible to dogs but not to humans
- Frequency Range: 20,000 Hz - 25,000 Hz
Sound Pressure: 135 dB
Effective Range: Within 20 feet

Cost Estimate

Items	Cost
IR Transmitter with heat shrink tubing	\$5.20
Infrared Receiver	\$2.60
Devantech SRF04 Ultrasonic Range Finder	\$32.95
Board of Education	\$100.00
9V Battery + AA battery	\$5.50
ZH15431 brush motor (vibration motor)	\$2.50
Cane	\$15.00
Mosfet IRF510	\$1.99
SI Diode IN4001	\$0.95
NE555 CMOS Timer	\$2.00
DS1804 -100K	\$4.00
Box	\$5.00
Miscellaneous	\$10.00
Total	\$187.69

Mass production costs estimate: \$50.00 ~ \$70.00

Future Improvements

- Cane will detect traffic lights and pedestrian signals
- Compass will guide the user more accurately
- Cane will be adjustable to different height



Thank you All!

Questions & Suggestions