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User Manual for the development of DoitCar

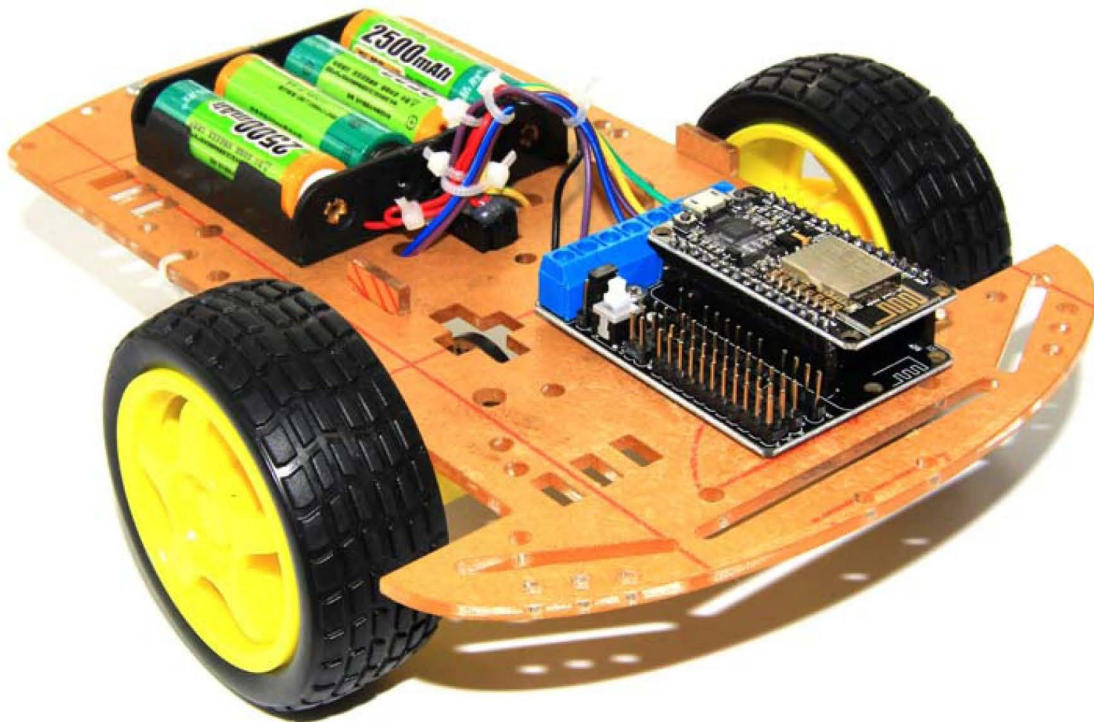


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Introduction

DoitCar is designed and developed by Shenzhen Doctors of Intelligence & Technology (SZDOIT), which is the most cost-effective. It is widely applied in many fields, such as the electronic lover, college students, Internet of Things (IoT), mobile data collection, etc. DoitCar has a great temptation for the smart car solution.

The DoitCar kit is including the car chassis, 2 pieces of 6V motors, NodeMCU WiFi board, motor driven shield board. Especially, all the codes and hardwares are open for all people.

Accordingly, the software collections are including android, Webchat, and internet. The android code is also open for all people to further develop it by your novel idea.

DoitCar is controlled by ESP-12E (as the control board) and ESP-12E Motor Shield (as the driven board). For more information about these two boards, please visit <http://www.doit.am>.

The develop computer language is Lua for DoitCar with large API encapsulation, which can make users design and exploit their products quickly and conveniently. In addition, DoitCar can be programmed under the condition of Arduino IDE.

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Technical Specifications

- Power Input
 - 1) Motor Power(V_M): 4.5~36V, can power separately;
 - 2) Control Power (V_I): 4.5~9V(10V MAX), can power separately;
 - 3) Module having shortcut module (connect V_M and V_I), thus can use one-way power publicly (4.5~9V) to power control board and motor shield board;
- Logic Working Current (I_{ss}): ≤60mA (V_i=L), ≤22mA(V_i=H);
- Driving Working Current (I_o): I_o ≤1.2A;
- Max Dissipation Power: 4W (T=90°C) ;
- Control Signal Input Voltage: High voltage (2.3V ≤ V_{IH} ≤ V_{IN}); Lower voltage (-0.3V ≤ V_{IL} ≤ 1.5V);
- Working Temperature: -25°C ~ +125°C
- Driven Mode: Double-way large power H-bridge driven;
- Support wireless 802.11 b/g/n standard;
- Support STA/AP/STA+AP 3-types working mode;
- Built-in TCP/IP protocol stack; Support multi-way TCP Client connection (5 MAX);
- D0~D8, SD1~SD3: used as GPIO, PWM, IIC, and etc., Port-driven ability 15mA;
- AD0: 1-channel ADC;
- Power Input: 4.5V~9V (10VMAX); Support powered-USB; Provide USB-debug interface;
- Working Current: continual send: ≈70mA (200mA MAX) standby : <200uA;
- Transmission Data: 110-460800bps;
- Support UART/GPIO data communication interface;
- Support firmware by remote update;
- Support Smart Link;
- Working Temperature: -40°C ~ +125°C ;
- Driven Mode: double-way big-power H-bridge driven;
- Weight: about 310g (not including battery).

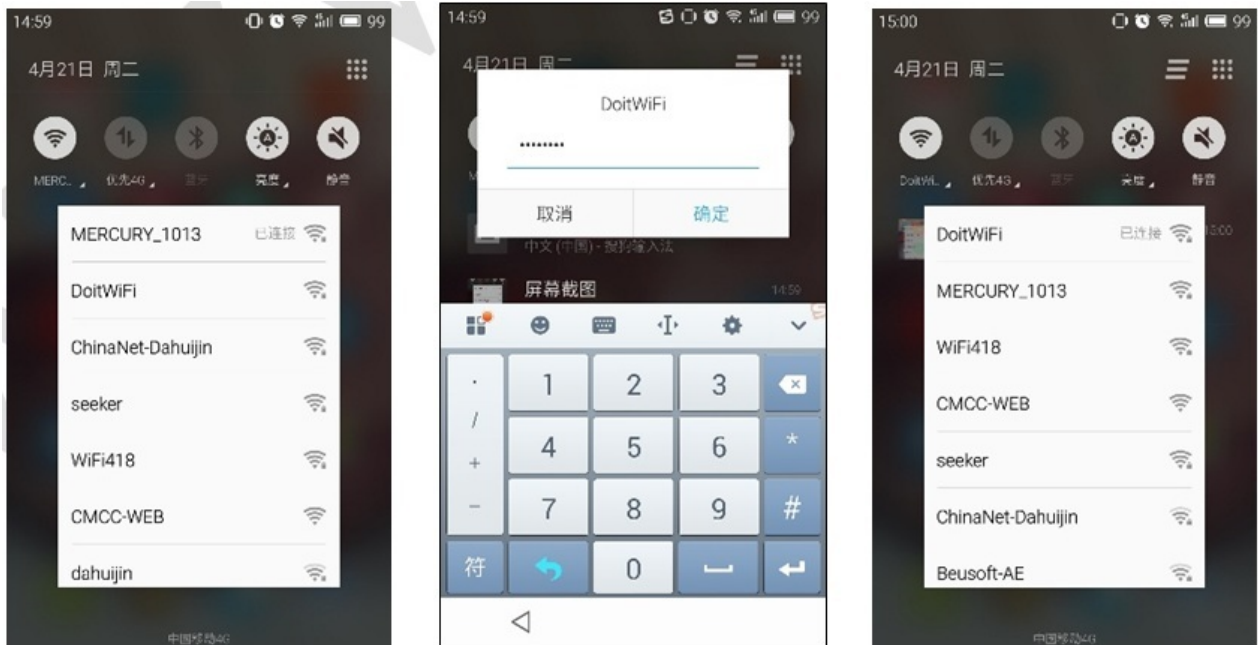
Product Function

DoitCar WiFi smart car is designed and developed based on ESP8266 chip, with two basic modes: AP (Access Point) and STA (station). Certainly, AP+STA is also supported at the same time.

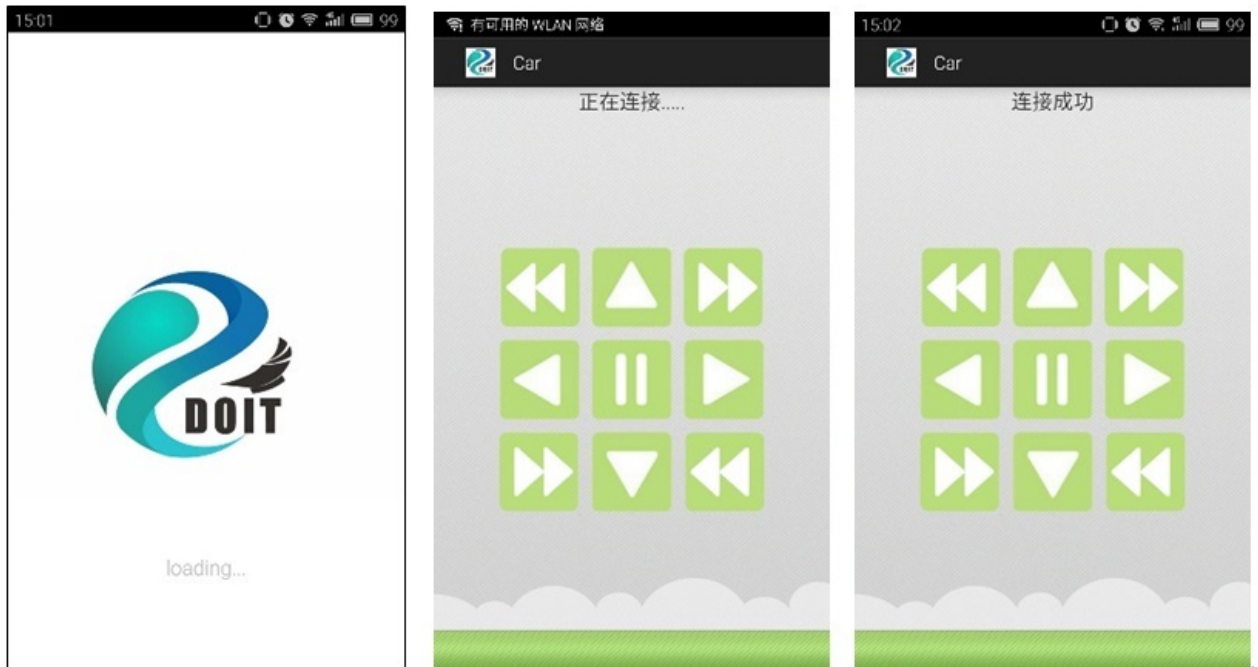
2.1 AP Mode

When get the DoitCar, the default mode is AP. Under this mode, the default SSID name is DoitWiFi, and password is 12345678.

Usage Steps: (1) Open the power from the smart car; (2) Search the AP SSID name DoitWiFi, and then connect it;



(3) Open the APP from your phone, if you has no this APP, please download (<http://bbs.smartarduino.com/showthread.php?tid=4>) and install it.

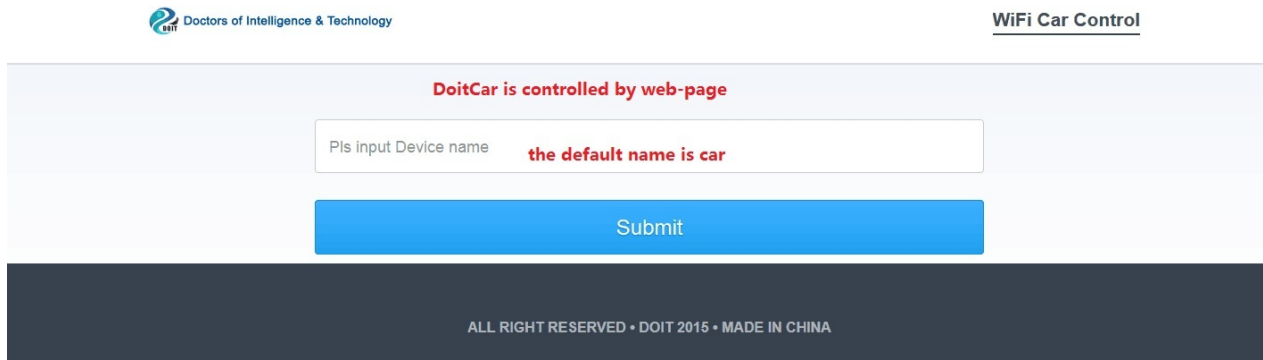


(4) After connect successfully, can let car Forward, Back, Stop, Turn Left, Turn Right, Left to Accelerate, and Right to Accelerate, etc.

2.2 STA Mode

Under the STA mode, the DoitCar can be controlled by phone APP, WeChat, and page from internet. Note that, if using STA mode, you should firstly download the DoitCarControl.lua (<https://github.com/SmartArduino/DoitCar>) into the DoitCar. For more details about download methods, please visit the documents on NodeMCU development (). Before download the DoitCarControl.lua into the control-board, you must let the SSID name and password in DoitCarControl.lua same as the ones in your router. In addition, in the DoitCarControl.lua, you should rename the car as the one you like (the default name is car). This name is used as the device name controlled by mobile phone, Wechat, and web-page.

The following Figure is shown that car is controlled by web-page.



Code Parse

3.1 Code for AP case on DoitCar

This Subsection present the AP operation for the DoitCar in detail. In this case, when NodeMCU works at AP mode, it will listen the TCP connection at the designated port By using the TCP server. Then, the APP (can be downloaded at <http://bbs.smartarduino.com/showthread.php?tid=4>) can be connected to the TCP server, and can send the control command to control the car.

init.lua

When NodeMCU starts to work, init.lua is used as the entrance of the application. If this file exists, then all the actions can start automatically. Therefore, by this characteristics, some codes can be written here to start automatically.

The code for init. lua is shown as.

```

1  print("\n")
2  print("ESP8266 Started")
3
4  local exefile="DoitCarControl"
5  local luaFile = {exefile..".lua"}
6  for i, f in ipairs(luaFile) do
7      if file.open(f) then
8          file.close()
9          print("Compile File:..f")
10         node.compile(f)
11         print("Remove File:..f")
12         file.remove(f)
13     end
14 end
15
16 if file.open(exefile..".lc") then
17     dofile(exefile..".lc")
18 else
19     print(exefile..".lc not exist")
20 end
21 exefile=nil;luaFile = nil
22 collectgarbage()

```

Code Parse:

lines 1 and 2: print the characters;

line 4: define the compiled and run lc file name. Note that, this file name is not including the suffix .lc and/or .lua;

line 5: define the need to compile .lua file name;

line 6: use for to complete the many operation for files;

line 7: judge whether the files exist. If exists, then compile, or ignore it.

line 8: close the opened file;

line 9-12: complete the compile, and generate automatically "DoitCarControl.lc" file;

line 16-20: judge whether the file exists, if exist, then run the compiled lc file;

line 21-22: release memory.

DoitCarControl.lua

In the DoitCarControl.lua document, it will complete the set-up, start, initiation for GPI, set the adjust of speed by the timer, set-up and listen the TCP server port. After receive the data when finishing the set-up, the program analyze the received data, and realize the control for DoitCar. The source code is listed as follows.

```

1  --GPIO Define
2  function initGPIO()
3  --1,2EN    D1 GPIO5
4  --3,4EN    D2 GPIO4
5  --1A ~2A   D3 GPIO0
6  --3A ~4A   D4 GPIO2
7
8  gpio.mode(0,gpio.OUTPUT);--LED Light on
9  gpio.write(0,gpio.LOW);
10
11  gpio.mode(1,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(1,gpio.LOW);
12  gpio.mode(2,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(2,gpio.LOW);
13
14  gpio.mode(3,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(3,gpio.HIGH);
15  gpio.mode(4,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(4,gpio.HIGH);
16
17  pwm.setup(1,1000,1023);--PWM 1KHz, Duty 1023
18  pwm.start(1);pwm.setduty(1,0);
19  pwm.setup(2,1000,1023);
20  pwm.start(2);pwm.setduty(2,0);
21  end
22
23  function setupAPMode()
24  print("Ready to start soft ap")
25
26  cfg={}
27  cfg.ssid="DoitWiFi";
28  cfg.pwd="12345678"
29  wifi.ap.config(cfg)
30
31  cfg={}
32  cfg.ip="192.168.1.1";
33  cfg.netmask="255.255.255.0";
34  cfg.gateway="192.168.1.1";
35  wifi.ap.setip(cfg);
36  wifi.setmode(wifi.SOFTAP)
37
38  str=nil;
39  ssidTemp=nil;
40  collectgarbage();
41
42  print("Soft AP started")
43  end
44
45  --Set up AP
46  setupAPMode();
47
48  print("Start DoitRobo Control");
49  initGPIO();
50
51  spdTargetA=1023;--target Speed
52  spdCurrentA=0;--current speed
53  spdTargetB=1023;--target Speed
54  spdCurrentB=0;--current speed
55  stopFlag=true;
56
57  --speed control procedure
58  tmr.alarm(1, 200, 1, function()
59      if stopFlag==false then
60          spdCurrentA=spdTargetA;
61          spdCurrentB=spdTargetB;
62          pwm.setduty(1,spdCurrentA);
63          pwm.setduty(2,spdCurrentB);
64      else
65          pwm.setduty(1,0);
66          pwm.setduty(2,0);
67      end

```

```

68     end)
69
70     --Setup tcp server at port 9003
71     s=net.createServer(net.TCP,60);
72     s:listen(9003,function(c)
73         c:on("receive",function(c,d)
74             print("TCPSrv: "..d)
75             if string.sub(d,1,1)=="0" then --stop
76                 pwm.setduty(1,0)
77                 pwm.setduty(2,0)
78                 stopFlag = true;
79                 c:send("ok\r\n");
80             elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="1" then --forward
81                 gpio.write(3,gpio.HIGH)
82                 gpio.write(4,gpio.HIGH)
83                 stopFlag = false;
84                 c:send("ok\r\n");
85             elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="2" then --backward
86                 gpio.write(3,gpio.LOW)
87                 gpio.write(4,gpio.LOW)
88                 stopFlag = false;
89                 c:send("ok\r\n");
90             elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="3" then --left
91                 gpio.write(3,gpio.LOW)
92                 gpio.write(4,gpio.HIGH)
93                 stopFlag = false;
94                 c:send("ok\r\n");
95             elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="4" then --right
96                 gpio.write(3,gpio.HIGH);
97                 gpio.write(4,gpio.LOW);
98                 stopFlag = false;
99                 c:send("ok\r\n");
100            elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="6" then --A spdUp
101                spdTargetA = spdTargetA+50;if(spdTargetA>1023) then spdTargetA=1023;end
102                c:send("ok\r\n");
103            elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="7" then --A spdDown
104                spdTargetA = spdTargetA-50;if(spdTargetA <=0) then spdTargetA=0;end
105                c:send("ok\r\n");
106            elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="8" then --B spdUp
107                spdTargetB = spdTargetB+50;if(spdTargetB>1023) then spdTargetB=1023;end
108                c:send("ok\r\n");
109            elseif string.sub(d,1,1)=="9" then --B spdDown
110                spdTargetB = spdTargetB-50;if(spdTargetB <=0) then spdTargetB=0;end
111                c:send("ok\r\n");
112            else print("Invalid Command: "..d);c:send("Invalid CMD\r\n");end;
113            collectgarbage();
114        end) --end c:on receive
115
116        c:on("disconnection",function(c)
117            print("TCPSrv:Client disconnnet");
118            collectgarbage();
119        end)
120        print("TCPSrv:Client connected")
121    end)

```

line 1~21: define initGPIO() function, init GPIO port;

line 23-43: define setupAPMode() function used to set up AP mode. SSID is set as "DoitWiFi", password is "12345678";

line 46: run setupAPMode() function;

line 49: run initGPIO() function;

line 51-54: define 4 variables used to remember the current and objective speed for left and right wheels;

line 55: define a label used to remember the stop state;

line 58-68: start timer1, compute the current and objective speed after each 200ms to control the speed. the main idea is that, apk set the objective speed, then by the timer, the current speed output as the cycle of PWM;

line 71: set up TCP server, set the disconnect time as 60s from the client;

line 72-121: set up the listening port, register connect function, disconnect function, data-received function. The received-data is parsed in the received function;

line 73: register the data-received function, and line 116 is the disconnection function;

line 74-114: realization of data-received function. judge the received-data, and then present different response by the different received data;

line 113: use `collectgarbage()` to show the release memory.

Log

After run, the log is shown as follows.

```
1   NodeMCU 0.9.6 build 20150406 powered by Lua 5.1.4
2
3
4   ESP8266 Started
5   Ready to start soft ap
6   Soft AP started
7   Start DoitRobo Control
8   TCPSrv:Client connected
9   TCPSrv:1
10
11  TCPSrv:2
12
13  TCPSrv:3
14
15  TCPSrv:4
16
17  TCPSrv:0
18
19  TCPSrv:8
20
21  TCPSrv:9
22
23  TCPSrv:6
24
25  TCPSrv:7
26
27  TCPSrv:0
28
29  TCPSrv:Client disconnet
```

3.2 Code for STA Case on DoitCar

This Subsection presents the STA mode in detail. NodeMCU would be work at STA mode to connect the wireless router. by setting-up TCP client, can connect to the remote server, and realize the remote control by Wechat, web-page and phone APP.

The example is including init.lua, sta.lua, and DoitCarControlSTA.lua.

init.lua and sta.lua

init.lua is the entrance when NodeMCU starts. If no init.lua, then ignore it; if has, then start to run it. Therefore, If necessary, some code can be put here to start automatically. the code for init.lua is shown as follows.

```

23  print("\n")
24  print("ESP8266 Started")
25
26  local exeFile="sta"
27  local luaFile = {exeFile.."lua", "DoitCarControlSTA.lua"}
28  for i, f in ipairs(luaFile) do
29      if file.open(f) then
30          file.close()
31          print("Compile File: "..f)
32          node.compile(f)
33          print("Remove File: "..f)
34          file.remove(f)
35      end
36  end
37
38  if file.open(exeFile.."lc") then
39      dofile(exeFile.."lc")
40  else
41      print(exeFile.."lc not exist")
42  end
43  exeFile=nil;luaFile = nil
44  collectgarbage()

```

line 1-2: print character;

line 4: define the compiled and run lc file. Note that, not including the suffix ".lc" and/or ".lua";

line 5: define the compiled lua file name;

line 6: use for cycle to complete the operation of many files;

line 7: judge whether the file exists; if no, ignor it, or compile it;

line 8: close the opened file;

line 9-12: complete the compile, automatically generate "DoitCarControl.lc";

line 16-20: judge whether the file exists, if yes, then compile the lc file;

line 21-22: release the memory.

DoitCarControlSTA.lua

In the DoitCarControlSTA.lua, would complete the initiation of GPIO port, setting-up for TCP client, try to connect periodically, and adjust of speed by timer. after successful connection and the received-data, would parse the data, and then realize the control of DoitCar. The source code is as follows.

```

122  --GPIO Define
123  function initGPIO()
124  --1,2EN    D1 GPIO5
125  --3,4EN    D2 GPIO4
126  --1A ~2A   D3 GPIO0
127  --3A ~4A   D4 GPIO2
128
129  gpio.mode(0,gpio.OUTPUT);--LED Light on
130  gpio.write(0,gpio.LOW);
131
132  gpio.mode(1,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(1,gpio.LOW);
133  gpio.mode(2,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(2,gpio.LOW);
134
135  gpio.mode(3,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(3,gpio.HIGH);
136  gpio.mode(4,gpio.OUTPUT);gpio.write(4,gpio.HIGH);
137
138  pwm.setup(1,1000,1023);--PWM 1KHz, Duty 1023
139  pwm.start(1);pwm.setduty(1,0);
140  pwm.setup(2,1000,1023);
141  pwm.start(2);pwm.setduty(2,0);
142  end
143
144  --Control Program
145  print("Start DoitRobo Control");
146  initGPIO();
147
148  spdTargetA=1023;--target Speed
149  spdCurrentA=0;--current speed
150  spdTargetB=1023;--target Speed
151  spdCurrentB=0;--current speed
152  stopFlag=true;
153
154  tmr.alarm(1, 200, 1, function()
155      if stopFlag==false then
156          spdCurrentA=spdTargetA;
157          spdCurrentB=spdTargetB;
158          pwm.setduty(1,spdCurrentA);
159          pwm.setduty(2,spdCurrentB);
160      else
161          pwm.setduty(1,0);
162          pwm.setduty(2,0);
163      end
164  end)
165
166  local flagClientTcpConnected=false;
167  print("Start TCP Client");
168  tmr.alarm(3, 5000, 1, function()
169      if flagClientTcpConnected==false then
170          print("Try connect Server");
171          local conn=net.createConnection(net.TCP, false)
172          conn:connect(6005,"182.92.178.210");
173          conn:on("connection",function(c)
174              print("TCPClient:conneted to server");
175              flagClientTcpConnected = true;
176              end)
177          conn:on("disconnection",function(c)
178              flagClientTcpConnected = false;
179              conn=nil;
180              collectgarbage();
181          end)
182          conn:on("receive", function(conn, m)
183              print("TCPClient:".m);
184              if string.sub(m,1,1)=="b" then
185                  conn:send("cmd=subscribe&topic=.."car".."\r\n");
186              elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="0" then --stop
187                  pwm.setduty(1,0)
188                  pwm.setduty(2,0)
189                  stopFlag = true;
190                  conn:send("ok\r\n");
191              elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="1" then --forward
192                  gpio.write(3,gpio.HIGH)

```

```

193         gpio.write(4,gpio.HIGH)
194         stopFlag = false;
195         conn:send("ok\r\n");
196     elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="2" then --backward
197         gpio.write(3,gpio.LOW)
198         gpio.write(4,gpio.LOW)
199         stopFlag = false;
200         conn:send("ok\r\n");
201     elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="3" then --left
202         gpio.write(3,gpio.LOW)
203         gpio.write(4,gpio.HIGH)
204         stopFlag = false;
205         conn:send("ok\r\n");
206     elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="4" then --right
207         gpio.write(3,gpio.HIGH);
208         gpio.write(4,gpio.LOW);
209         stopFlag = false;
210         conn:send("ok\r\n");
211     elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="6" then --A spdUp
212         spdTargetA = spdTargetA+50;if(spdTargetA>1023) then spdTargetA=1023;end
213         conn:send("ok\r\n");
214     elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="7" then --A spdDown
215         spdTargetA = spdTargetA-50;if(spdTargetA<0) then spdTargetA=0;end
216         conn:send("ok\r\n");
217     elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="8" then --B spdUp
218         spdTargetB = spdTargetB+50;if(spdTargetB>1023) then spdTargetB=1023;end
219         conn:send(spdTargetA.." " ..spdTargetB.."r\n");
220     elseif string.sub(m,1,1)=="9" then --B spdDown
221         spdTargetB = spdTargetB-50;if(spdTargetB<0) then spdTargetB=0;end
222         conn:send(spdTargetA.." " ..spdTargetB.."r\n");
223     else print("Invalid Command: "..m);end;
224     collectgarbage();
225     end)
226 end
227 end)

```

line 1-21: define initGPIO() function, init GPIO port;

line 25: run initGPIO() function;

line 27-30: define 4 variable used to remember the current and objective speed of left and right wheels;

line 31: define a label used to remember the stop state;

line 33-34: start the periodic timer1. It would compute the current and objective speed after each 200ms to realize the control of speed. By the timer, the current speed outputs as a PWM cycle.

line 45: use the variable flagClientTcpConnected to remember the connection state of TCP client;

line 47: use the periodic timer3 to handle the TCP connection after each 5ms. Judge whether it is necessary to send a connection requirement by the flagClientTcpConnected. In this section, the server IP IS "182.92.178.210", port="6005";

line 52-60: register the "connection" and "disconnection" case for the TCP Client, respectively;

line 61-104: show the code for realization of the received-data. By the different received-data, can do the relative response. In addition, line 64 is sent the device name. When NodeMCU is connected to the remote server, then the character "b" is returned. At this time, the device name is need to submitted to the server. Note that, this device name can be used for the control by phone APP, web-page, and/or Wechat. In this section, the device name is tank;

line 103: use collectgarbage() function to show the release memory.

Log for this program

```
30 NodeMCU 0.9.6 build 20150406 powered by Lua 5.1.4
31
32
33 ESP8266 Started
34 Compile File:sta.lua
35 Remove File:sta.lua
36 Compile File:DoitCarControlSTA.lua
37 Remove File:DoitCarControlSTA.lua
38 Ready to Set up wifi mode
39 > Trying Connect to Router, Waiting...
40 Trying Connect to Router, Waiting...
41 Config done, IP is 192.168.1.111
42 Start DoitRobo Control
43 Start TCP Client
44 Try connect Server
45 TCPClient:conneted to server
46 TCPClient:b
47
48 TCPClient:cmd=subscribe&res=1
49
50 Invalid Command:cmd=subscribe&res=1
51
52 TCPClient:1
53
54 TCPClient:2
55
56 TCPClient:3
57
58 TCPClient:4
```


Revision History

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