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Smart Irrigation System and Pest Detection Using IOT

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Abstract— *A Semi-automated irrigation system was developed in order to facilitate continuous and efficient irrigation under water and labour scarcity conditions. Due to reliability, robustness and limited resources, resistive sensors were chosen. It proposes an automatic irrigation for agricultural lands. Currently the automation and control is one of the important role in the human life. It is not only provide comfort but also reduce energy, efficiency and time saving. Now the industries are use automation and control machine which is high in cost and not suitable for using in a farm field. So here it also smart irrigation technology in low cost which is usable by Indian farmers. Renesas microcontroller is the main heart of the whole system. Temperature, Moisture, Water level and Pest in the land will be detected and will be given to user via GSM.*

Keywords— *IOT, moisture, GSM, Pest, Renesas.*

I. INTRODUCTION

The requirement of building an automation system for an office or home is increasing day-by-day. Industrialist and researchers are working to build efficient and economic automatic systems to control different machines like lights, fans, air conditioners based on the requirement. Automation makes an efficient use of electricity and water reduces much of the wastage. Drip irrigation system makes the efficient use of water and fertilizer. Water is slowly dripped to the roots of the plants through narrow tubes and valves. Water is fed directly to the base of the plants which is perfect way to water plants. There should be proper drainage in the fields or pot plants avoid any water logging which in case may affect the productivity. There already exist automatic drip irrigation systems which water plants based on soil moisture, water level, Temperature and pest. These parameters are required in big agricultural fields where productivity of the crop matters. In small areas like office premises,

buildings, house gardens etc. Where watering plants with use of devices like renesas microcontroller and other sensors. GSM is used to control the system wirelessly while embedded C programming language is used for automation purpose. This paper contributes an efficient and fairly cheap automation irrigation system. System once installed has no maintenance cost and is easy to use.

Although smart irrigation has developed but so far no solution is obtained to measure accurate flow of water along with availability of data over GSM which could be fetched from anywhere in the world. Hence our prime move throughout the project work have been to design an irrigation system which provide all the above features along with conventional features available in smart irrigation such as measuring moisture profile of the field in order to prevent crops from water logging issues, temperature sensing is done so that one can check the temperature sensitive too. The calculation are done by different sensors. Further another advantage of the designed irrigation system is that it would keep the farmer up to date and also aware before any adverse situation come in. Thus helping the farmer to have control on the field.

Need of Automatic Irrigation

- Simple and easy to install and configure.
- Saving energy and resources, so that it can be utilized in proper way and amount.
- Farmers would be able to smear the right amount of water at the right time by automating farm or nursery irrigation.
- Avoiding irrigation at the wrong time of day, reduce runoff from overwatering saturated soils which will improve crop performance.
- Automated irrigation system uses valves to turn motor ON and OFF. Motors can be automated easily by using controllers and no need of labor to turn motor ON and OFF.
- It is precise method for irrigation and a valuable tool for accurate soil moisture control in highly specialized greenhouse vegetable production.
- It is time saving, the human error elimination in adjusting available soil moisture levels.

II. SMART IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Irrigation is the artificial way of watering crops in fields. In the present era, water scarcity due to over exploitation have resulted the urge of developing a new technology that could save water from being wasted and since, agriculture is the most water consuming occupation, hence making irrigation system smart would be a smarter way of checking water loss. Smart irrigation system is an effective and efficient way of watering fields. It monitors weather, soil conditions, evaporation and plant water use and automatically adjusts watering schedule. Hence approaching smart irrigation system has become a prime concern to give farmer a smart tool which would support them in yielding quality crops Since India is an agro based country and around 61% of total land in India is responsible to feed around 1.3 billion population. India occupies second rank in rice export and as rice crop require huge amount of water for irrigation purpose, hence smart irrigation has immense importance in India. In smart irrigation project we use different types of sensor to make a farmer up to date about the field. Sensors used are - soil moisture sensor, water level sensor, ultra sonic sensor and temperature sensor like a sensor which can calculate the amount of water used in the field, a soil moisture sensor which can calculate the moisture profile of the field in order to prevent crops from water logging issues and a temperature sensing sensor so that one can check the temperature of the crops because crops are temperature sensitive too and if the smart system aware the farmer before then farmer can use sprinklers in order to cool down temperature of the crops it would save both crop and farmer. Our approach is to make this system accessible from even far distance so that farmer have the information and control on the field 24x7 throughout a year. The whole setup is controlled by an renesas microcontroller which is a microcontroller and the data is sent and received by a GSM module.

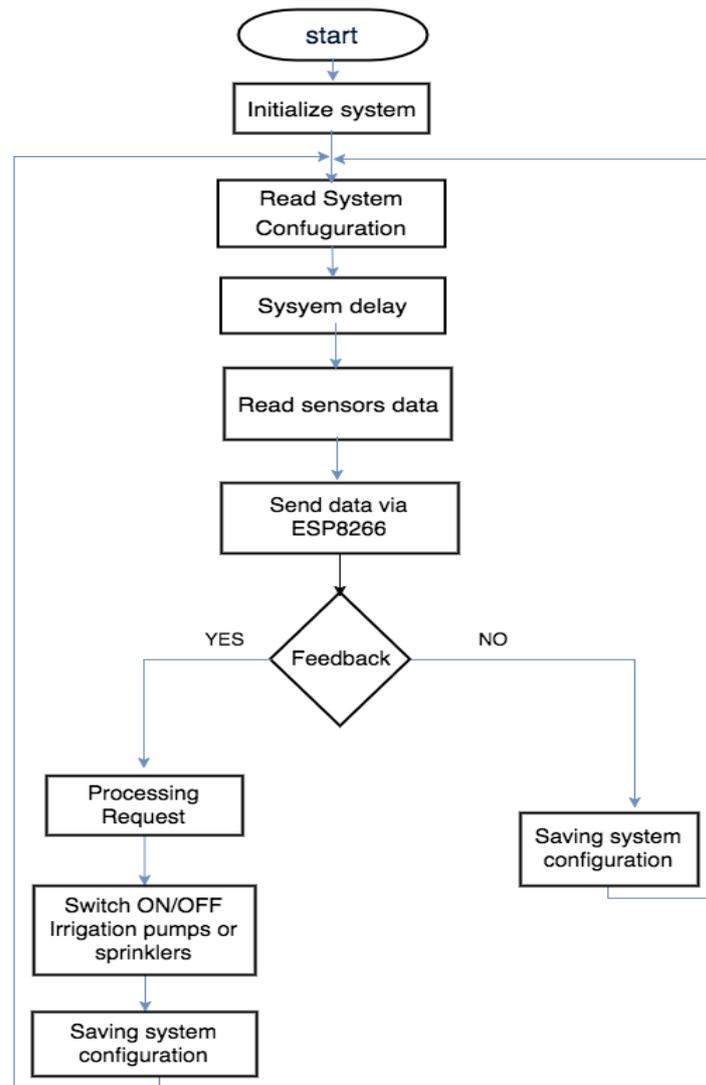


Fig. 1. Flow Chart of Smart Irrigation

A. Water Level Sensor

This sensor uses a pinwheel sensor to measure how much liquid has moved through it. The pinwheel has a little magnet attached, and there’s a hall effect magnetic sensor on the other side of the plastic tube that can measure how many spins the pinwheel has made through the plastic wall. This method allows the sensor to stay safe and dry.

B. Soil Moisture sensor

The Soil Moisture Sensor uses capacitance to measure dielectric permittivity of the surrounding medium. In soil, dielectric permittivity is a function of the water content. The sensor creates a voltage proportional to the dielectric permittivity, and therefore the water content of the soil. The sensor averages the water content over the entire length of the sensor.

C. Temperature Sensor

The core functionality of the is its direct-to-digital temperature sensor. The resolution of the temperature sensor is user-configurable to 9, 10, 11, or 12 bits, corresponding to increments of 0.5C, 0.25C, 0.125C, and 0.0625C, respectively. The DS18B20 powers up in a low power idle state. To initiate a temperature measurement and A-to-D conversion, the master must issue a Convert T command. The resulting thermal data is stored in the 2-byte temperature register in the scratchpad memory and the returns to its idle state. If the is powered by an external supply, the master can issue (read time slots) after the Convert T command and the will respond by transmitting 0 while the temperature conversion is in progress and 1 when the conversion is done. Sprinklers ON or OFF which can be done by clicking on respective buttons which a GSM can detect and toggle the state of relays corresponding to the irrigation pump and sprinkler. We used only one relay for experimental purpose which can be increase or decrease as per the requirement of user. The controlling system consume very low energy which allows system to work continuously for several months on a single 9 V battery.

III.METHODS

The pipe with water pump is connected to a motor, the other end of the pipe is near to the root of the plant. The flow of water is managed by solenoid valve. The opening and closing of valve is done when a signal is send through microcontroller. The water to the root of plant is done by drop using GSM and moisture level again become normal then sensor senses it and send a signal to microcontroller and is then closed.

The two SIM of mobile are connected using GSM. The GSM and microcontroller are connected using MAX232. When moisture of the soil become low moisture sensor sense it and send signal to mobile and it activate the farmer.

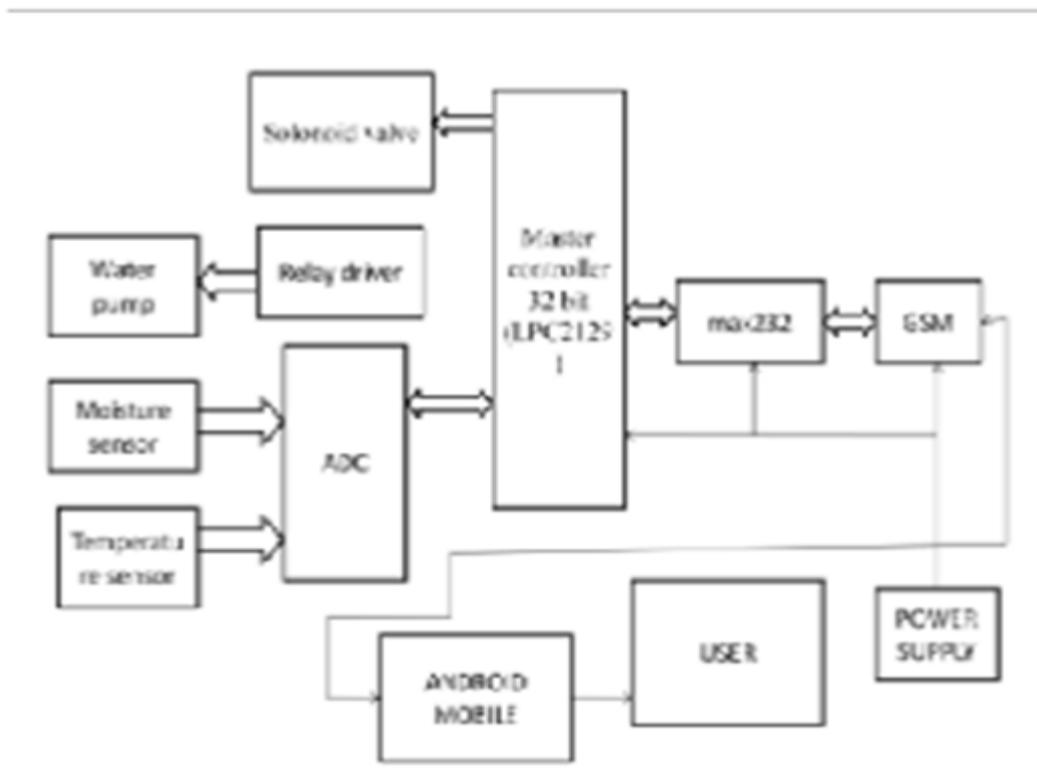


Fig 2: Block Diagram Of Renesas Microcontroller

Algorithm

It states the steps that the proposed system undergoes.

Step 1: Start the process.

Step 2: Initialize power is supplied to GSM

Step 3: Check the moisture level (less than or more than).

Step 4: If the level will be more than a fixed criteria, no need to irrigation

Step 5: If Moisture level is less than a fixed criteria, start irrigation

Step 6: Initialization of pump.

Step 7: After the process completed ,It moves to original state.

Step 8: Stop the process.

Another methodology is broad based and is relatively one of the efficient system that has developed windows application to monitor the field. Field is equipped with wireless communication sensors that avails better facilitated sensor communication and covers wider field area. A conceptual system layout of distributed in-field. The system consists of five infield sensing stations distributed across the field, an irrigation control station, and a base station. The in-field sensing stations monitor the field conditions of soil moisture, soil temperature, and temperature, whereas a nearby weather station monitors micrometeorological information on the field, i.e., temperature, relative humidity, precipitation, wind speed, wind direction, and solar radiation. All in-field sensory data are wirelessly transmitted to the base station. The base station processes the in-field sensory data through a user-friendly decision making program and sends control commands to the irrigation control station. The irrigation control station updates and sends geo-referenced locations of the machine from a

differential GPS mounted at the cart to the base station for real-time monitoring and control of the irrigation system. Based on sprinkler head GPS locations, the base station feeds control signals back to the irrigation control station to site-specifically operate individual sprinkler to apply a specified depth of water.

IV. IMPLEMENTATION

Earlier, farmer faced the problem of sending SMS and making calls, overcoming which we are designing an Android application which does the work by button clicks, here the hardware works in three modes of operation viz. Humidity, Automatic and Manual modes. In Humidity mode, the moisture of the atmosphere is sensed and the switching on/off is done if the weather is dry. In Automatic mode, the hardware automatically turns on the motor for the specified time interval and turns off the motor. In Manual mode, user can turn on and off by pressing the ON/OFF button. All the settings of these features is done via an Android application.

Here we have designed a module using a microcontroller and GSM. Initially farmer needs to check the network by giving a ring to the particular modem number which is implemented near the motor. A user enters the username and password given, which when matches allows the user to switch between the different modes provided. If the password fails to match, no action is taken. In every stage it will send the status to the farmer (authenticated user).i.e., whether the motor is on or off through an SMS. If the motor is on and the farmer needs to switch off he just needs to send an SMS to the same number. The complete operation can be handled by sending an SMS, i.e. by sending ON motor gets on, and by sending OFF motor gets off.

We have three modes of operation. In Humidity mode, the humidity sensor checks the moisture content in the farm and accordingly provides the water required for the crops. In Automatic mode, the timer is set and the motor turns ON/OFF automatically for a certain amount of time. In Manual mode, the farmer has to press ON/OFF for the working of the motor.

MODES OF OPERATION

A. Moisture Settings Manager

This module is used to check the moisture content around the field area. The moisture sensor is connected to the renesas microcontroller which in turn is connected to the water pump, will sense the moisture surrounding the farmer’s field area. If the moisture rate is below the threshold rate that is mentioned while developing the embedded system, the water pump will be switched on automatically. Else if the moisture rate is above the threshold rate then the water pump will not be turned on. The Humidity Mode can be set by sending an SMS as SET1 to the GSM modem in the embedded system connected to the system.

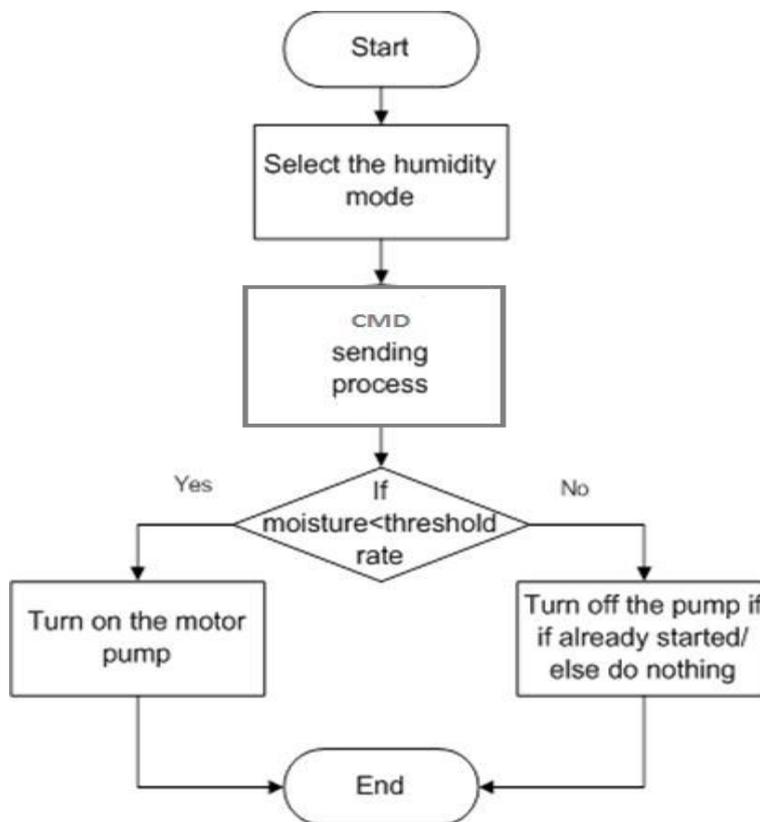


Fig 3: Flow Chart of Moisture Mode

B. Automatic Motor Controller

This module is used to control the pump automatically. The pump will be turned on automatically every day at a particular time for 2 minutes, immediately after 2 minutes the pump will turns off. The turning on and off of the pump will work regardless of the moisture rate around the field area. This automatic mode can be set by sending an SMS containing SET2 to the GSM modem in the embedded system connected to the pump.

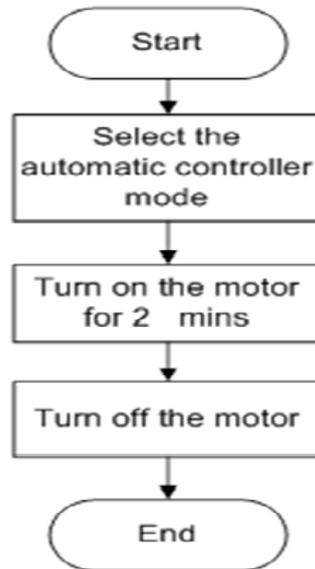


Fig 4: Flow chart of Automatic Mode

C. Manual Controller Manager

This module is used to control the water pump manually, though without farmer’s physical presence. We can turn on/off the pump when we require it to. There is no particular time to switch it on or there is no time limit when to turn it off. This module works just by sending an SMS as ON to switch on the motor and OFF to turn off the motor. This SMS has to be sent to the GSM modem connected to the pump.

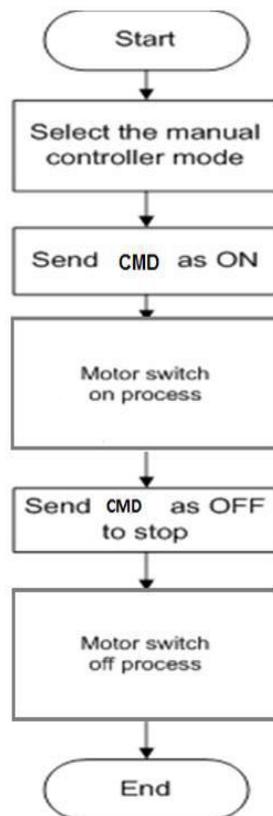


Fig 5: Flow chart of Manual Mode

V. RESULTS AND SNAPSHOTS

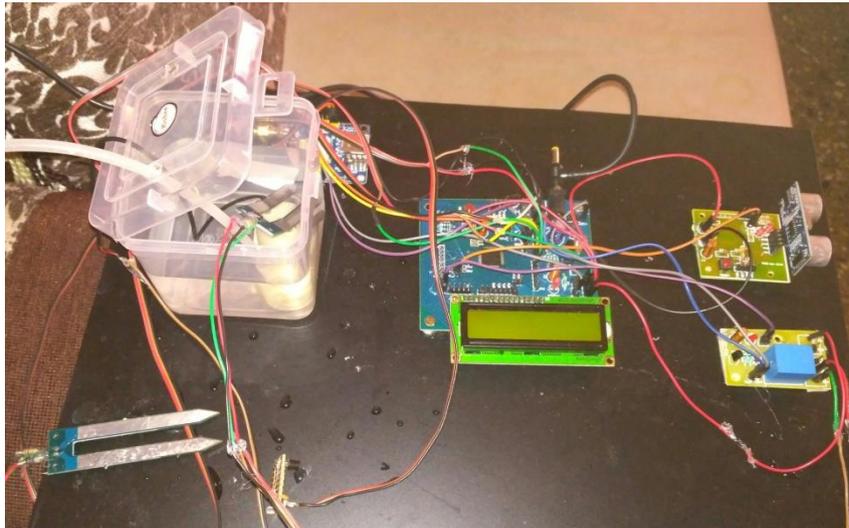


Fig 5: Overall smart irrigation and pest detection system module



Fig 6: Pest Detected



Fig 7: Temperature greater than threshold



Fig 8: Land gets dry out



Fig 9:Login page of Android Application

VI. CONCLUSIONS

Since earlier days farmer is supposed to visit their agricultural land and check the moisture content of soil manually. To avoid more human efforts this technology can be used. It allows the user to monitor and maintain the moisture remotely irrespective of time. It is really an effective and economic way to reduce human effort and water wastage in agriculture land. Current techniques in agriculture have reduced the ground-water level and availability of human resource. This Irrigation control system using Android can help farmer in many ways through the use of Humidity, Automatic and Manual modes of operation.

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