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STUDY of ARDUINO for IRRIGATION BASED CONTROL using ANDROID APP

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Abstract:
The continuous increasing demand of the food requires the rapid improvement in food production technology. In a Country like India, where the economy is mainly based on agriculture and climatic condition are isotropic, still we are not able to make full use of agriculture resources. The main reason is lack of rains and scarcity of land reservoir water. The continuous abstraction of water from Earth is reducing the water level due to which lot of land is coming slowly in the zones of un-irrigated land.

Keywords:
GSM-Global System for Mobile Communications, CDMA-Code Division Multiple Access, SDK-Software Development Kit,GPRS-General Packet Radio Service, MODEM-Modulator and DEModulator, UART-Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter, QEMU-Quick EMUlator, USB-Universal Serial Bus, UMTS-Universal Mobile Telecommunication Service,EDGE-Enhanced Data for GSM Evolution.SIM-Subscriber Identity Module.

Introduction-
Another very important reason of this is due to proper management of water due to which a significant amount of water goes waste. At the present era, the farmers have been using irrigation technique in India through the manual control in which the farmers irrigate the land at regular intervals. This process sometimes requires more water or sometimes the water reaches late due to which the crops get dried.
Automated irrigation system uses valves to turn motor ON and OFF. These valves may be easily automated by using controllers. Automating farm or nursery irrigation allows farmers to apply the right amount of water at the right time, regardless of the availability of labor to turn valves on and off. In addition, farmers using automation equipment are able to reduce runoff from over watering saturated soils, avoid irrigating at the wrong time of day, which will improve crop performance by ensuring adequate water and nutrients when needed. Automatic irrigation is a valuable tool for accurate soil moisture control in highly specialized greenhouse vegetable production and it is a simple, precise method for irrigation. It also helps in time saving, removal of human error in adjusting available soil moisture levels and to maximize their net profits.

Proposed System-

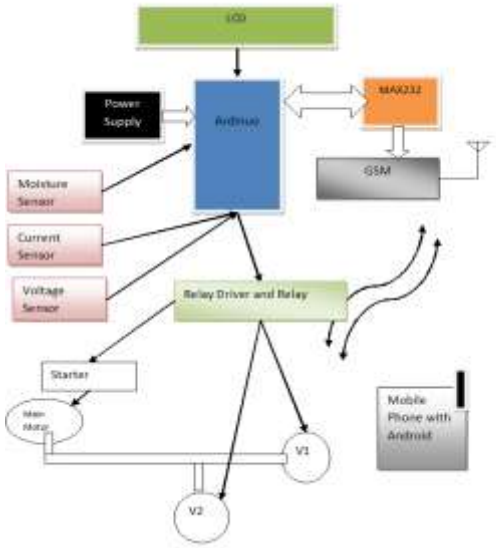


Fig.I:Proposed system

(A) HARDWARE DETAILS

GSM–
Global System for Mobile Communications, by using this technique more user could be accommodated within the available bandwidth.
At present the GSM module is used for Remote Control activities such as Gate Control, Temperature Control etc. GSM/GPRS module consists of a
GSM/GPRS modem assembled together with power supply circuit and communication interfaces (like RS-232, USB) for computer. The MODEM is the soul of such modules. They generate, transmit or decode data from a cellular network, for establishing communication between the cellular network and the computer. These are manufactured for specific cellular network (GSM/UMTS/CDMA) or specific cellular data standard
(GSM/UMTS/GPRS/EDGE/HSDPA) or technology (GPS/SIM). They use serial communication to interface with the user and need Hayes compatible AT (Attention) commands for communication with the computer (any microprocessor or microcontroller system).[1]

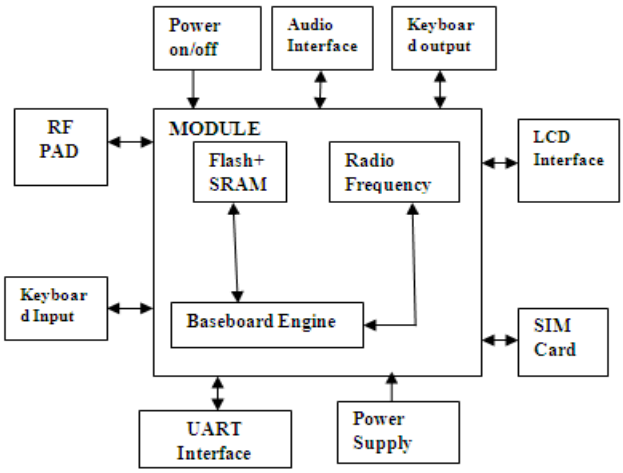
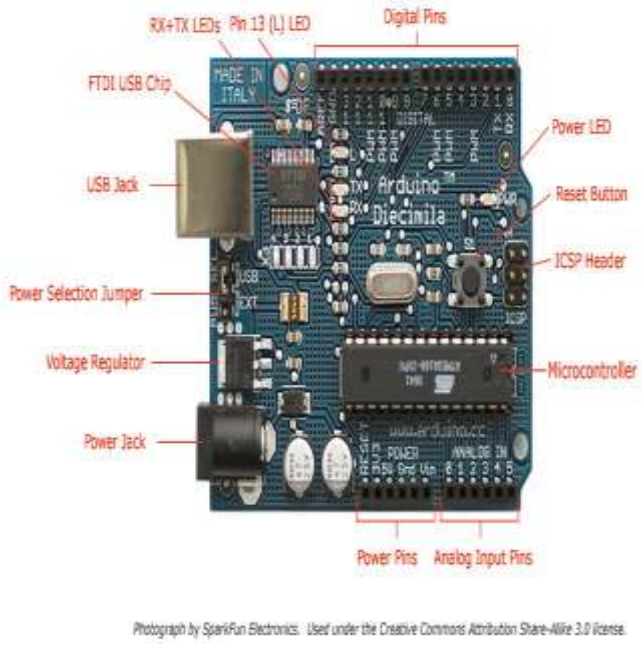


Fig.II: GSM module structure

Arduino–

Arduino is set of development boards that come with pre-tested libraries. The boards are build around AVR microcontroller as base, software libraries to run on the boards are written and made available for free.



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(B) SOFTWARE DETAILS

Android Software development kit –

Android software development is the process by which new applications are created for the Android operating system. Applications are usually developed in the Java programming language using the Android Software Development Kit. The Android software development kit (SDK) includes a comprehensive set of development tools. These include a debugger, libraries, a handset emulator based on QEMU, documentation, sample code, and tutorials. The SDK also supports older versions of the Android platform in case developers wish to target their applications at older devices. Development tools are downloadable components, so after one has downloaded the latest version and platform, older platforms and tools can also be downloaded for compatibility testing.

Android applications are packaged in.apk format and stored under /data/app folder on the Android OS (the folder is accessible only to the root user for security reasons). APK packagecontains.dex files (compiled byte code files called Dalvik executable), resource files, etc...

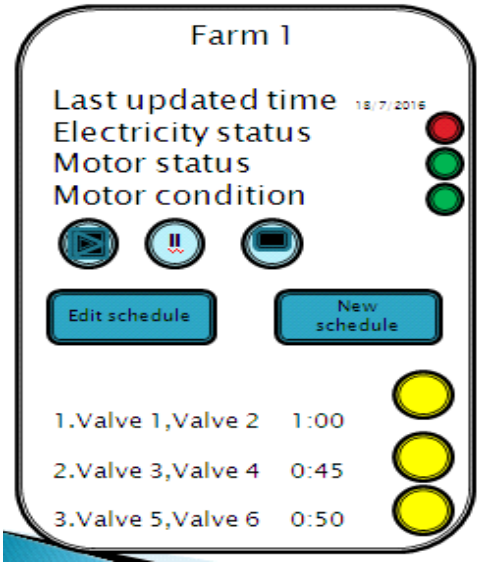

Fig.III.: Sample of android app

The android app consist of farm1, farm2, farm3 etc. Let us consider farm1, in this we can see the electricity status, motor status & motor condition. Also we can find the last updated time of motor. We can start, pause & stop the motor using this app. The main advantages of this app is that we can give timer to the specific valve.

Humidity Settings Manager –

This module is used to check the moisture content around the field area. The moisture sensor is connected to the 8081 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.

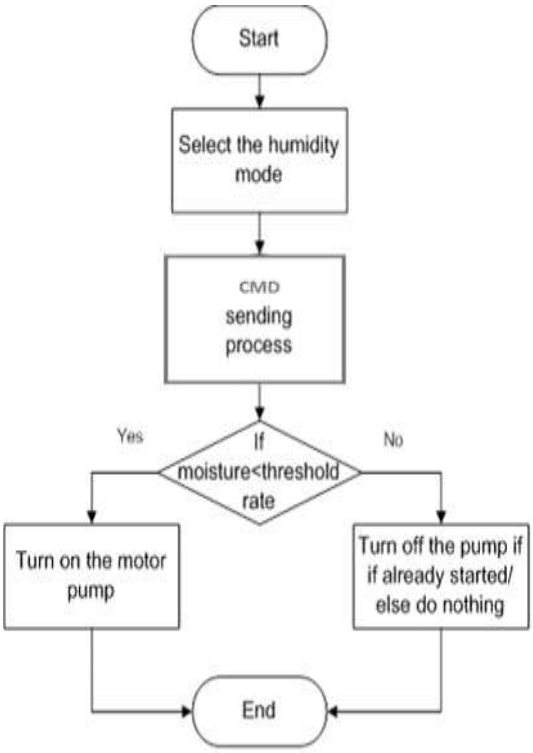

Fig.IV.Flow Chart of Humidity Mode

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.

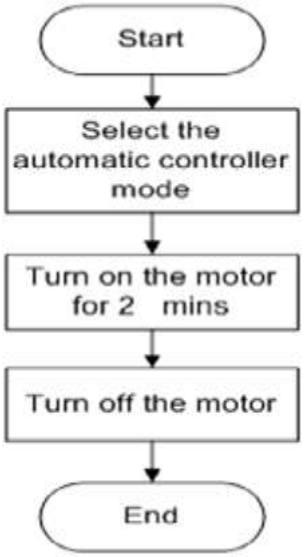

Fig.V.Flow chart of Automatic Mode

Conclusion-

Since earlier days farmer is supposed to visit their agricultural land and check the moisture content of the 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 efforts 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 the farmers in many ways through the use of human humidity, automatic and manual modes of operations. This system has an advantage of using both GSM and Zigbee technology which eliminates the cost of network usage to a great extended. The configuration of the irrigation system allows it to be scaled up for larger greenhouses or open fields. Thus, this system is reliable and efficient when compared to others type of irrigation system.

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