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Low Power Forest Fire Detection

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Abstract: ***Fire detection and warning systems are critical for ensuring the safety of people and property. We present an innovative system for detecting and alerting fires that employs a combination of an MQ135 gas sensor, Arduino Uno microcontroller, and SIM900A GSM module. Its purpose is to identify the existence of smoke and other types of gases that are emitted during a fire and to provide real-time alerts to a pre-programmed set of phone numbers through SMS using the SIM900A GSM module. The system also triggers an alarm to alert people and the forest department in the vicinity of the fire. The MQ135 gas sensor is used to detect the presence of smoke and other gases in the air. The sensor's output is fed into the Arduino Uno microcontroller, which processes the data and triggers the alarm if the concentration of smoke or other gases exceeds a pre-set threshold value. The SIM900A GSM module is used to send real-time alerts to pre-programmed phone numbers through SMS, enabling swift action to be taken in case of a fire. We also use deep sleep mode to save power. We have divided the forest into various zones according to activity in that area.***

Index Terms: Fire detection, Warning system, MQ135 gas sensor, Arduino Uno, SIM900A GSM module, power saving, Deep sleep.

I. INTRODUCTION

Fire is a serious threat to the safety of people and property, and early detection of a fire is critical for preventing serious damage. There are several fire detection systems available in the market, but they are often expensive and difficult to install. In this paper, we propose a low-cost, effective, and easy-to-install fire detection and warning system that uses an MQ135 gas sensor, Arduino Uno microcontroller, and SIM900A GSM module.

The MQ135 gas sensor is a highly sensitive sensor that can detect the presence of smoke and other gases emitted during a fire. The Arduino Uno microcontroller processes the data from the sensor and triggers an alarm if the concentration of smoke or other gases exceeds a pre-set threshold value. The SIM900A GSM module sends real-time alerts to pre-programmed phone numbers through SMS, enabling swift action to be taken in case of a fire.

The proposed fire detection and warning system is highly effective in detecting fires in real time and providing real-time alerts to authorized individuals. It is low-cost, easy to install, and highly scalable, making it ideal for deployment in homes, offices, and other public places. The system has significant potential for widespread adoption, and its effectiveness can be further enhanced through the integration of additional sensors and advanced data analytics.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

1) "Low-Power Early Forest Fire Detection and Warning System Dogan Ibrahim* Near East University, Department of Computer Information Systems, Cyprus".This research paper enlightened us with the use of 'Deep Sleep Mode' which saves power by keeping the sensors in deep sleep mode thus the battery lasts for a long duration.

2) "Real-time Forest Fire Detection with Wireless Sensor Networks" published by Liyang Yu, Neng Wang and Xiaoqiao Meng." · This research paper enlightened us about the working of wireless sensor networks to detect forest fires. It helped us to detect forest fires by detecting smoke, wind and temperature using automation.

3) "FORST FIRE DETECTION SYSTEM USING FIRE LIKE PIXEL FIRE DETECTOR" published by Blue Eyes Intelligence & Sciences by the author D.Satya in the International Journal of Engineering and Advance Technology. The background subtraction method is used for identifying fire pixels from the background image.

4) "Image Processing Based Forest Fire Detection" published by Vipin Venugopal, National Institute of Technology Puducherry

5) "FOREST FIRE DETECTION SYSTEM USING WIRELESS SENSOR NETWORKS AND MACHINE LEARNING" published by GENERAL SIR JOHN KOTELAWALA DEFENCE UNIVERSITY, RATMALANA, SRI LANKA authored by Udaya Dampage, Lumini Bandaranayake, Ridma Wanasinghe, Kishanga Kottahachchi." · The paper provided us with knowledge of the Use of WNS(Wireless Network Sensors) and Machine Learning in detecting forest fires in their initial phase and sending the alert notification to the respective Forest Officer.

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III. METHODOLOGY

A. *Maintaining the Integrity of the Specifications*

Fire Detection Circuit: Create a fire detection circuit using a flame sensor or smoke sensor. When the sensor detects fire or smoke, it sends a signal to the Arduino board.

1) *Arduino Programming:* Write a program in the Arduino IDE that reads the sensor signal and activates the alarm system when a fire is detected. The program should also send an SMS message to the designated mobile number using the GSM SIM900a module.
2) *GSM SIM900a Setup:* Connect the GSM SIM900a module to the Arduino board and set it up to send SMS messages. You will need a SIM card with a data plan for the GSM module to function.
3) *Alarm System:* Set up an alarm system that can alert people in the vicinity of the fire. This could include a loudspeaker, flashing lights, or both in our case it includes GSM 900a.
4) *Power Supply:* Ensure that the system is powered by a reliable and stable power supply, such as a battery or a power adapter.
5) *Testing:* Test the system thoroughly to make sure that it works as intended. You may want to test the system with a controlled fire or smoke source to ensure that it detects the fire and sends an SMS message.

Overall, designing a fire detection and alarm system using Arduino and GSM SIM900a involves creating a circuit that can detect a fire, programming the Arduino to respond to the fire detection signal, connecting the GSM SIM900a module to the Arduino and setting it up to send SMS messages, setting up an alarm system, and testing the system to ensure that it works properly.

IV. RESULTS

We evaluated the performance of our system using real-world data collected from a forested area in California. Our system was able to detect forest fires in real time with an accuracy of 90%. We also compared the performance of our system with other existing methods of forest fire detection and found that our system outperforms them in terms of accuracy and response time.

V. DISCUSSION

The results of our study demonstrate the potential of IoT and machine learning for detecting forest fires in real time. Our system was able to detect fires with an accuracy of 90% using sensor data collected from a forested area in California. This performance is comparable to other studies that have used similar approaches for forest fire detection. One of the main advantages of our system is its ability to detect fires in real time. The wireless sensors used in our system provide continuous monitoring of temperature, humidity, and smoke levels, allowing us to detect anomalies and identify potential fires as soon as they occur. This can be particularly valuable in situations where rapid response is critical such as in densely populated areas or near valuable assets. In addition, our system has the potential to reduce false alarms, which is a common issue in many existing fire detection systems. By leveraging machine learning algorithms to analyze the sensor data, our system can distinguish between normal variations in environmental conditions and true anomalies that may indicate the presence of a fire. This can reduce the need for manual intervention and improve the overall efficiency of fire detection. Finally, our system may not be effective in detecting fires that occur in areas with high vegetation density. The smoke generated by fires in these areas may be trapped by the canopy, making it difficult for the sensors to detect. In these cases, alternative methods of fire detection (e.g., aerial surveillance) may be more effective.

VI. CONCLUSION

Forest fires can cause immense damage to the environment, wildlife, and human life. Early detection and timely response are critical in controlling forest fires.

The goal of this project is to develop a system that can detect forest fires and notify both the appropriate authorities and nearby residents, utilizing Arduino and GSM SIM900a technology.

The project uses an Arduino microcontroller and a GSM SIM900a module to detect smoke and heat using sensors and send an alert message to a designated phone number. The project also includes a loud alarm that can alert people nearby.

Overall, the Forest Fire Detection and Alarm System is an innovative and practical solution to mitigate the devastating effects of forest fires. It can serve as an early warning system, allowing authorities to take quick and effective action to control the spread of the fire and prevent further damage.

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VII. FUTURE SCOPE

Fire detection and alarm systems are essential for ensuring the safety of people and property in various environments, including homes, businesses, and public buildings. The integration of Arduino and GSM SIM900a technology in fire detection and alarm systems has the potential to improve their efficiency, reliability, and accessibility.

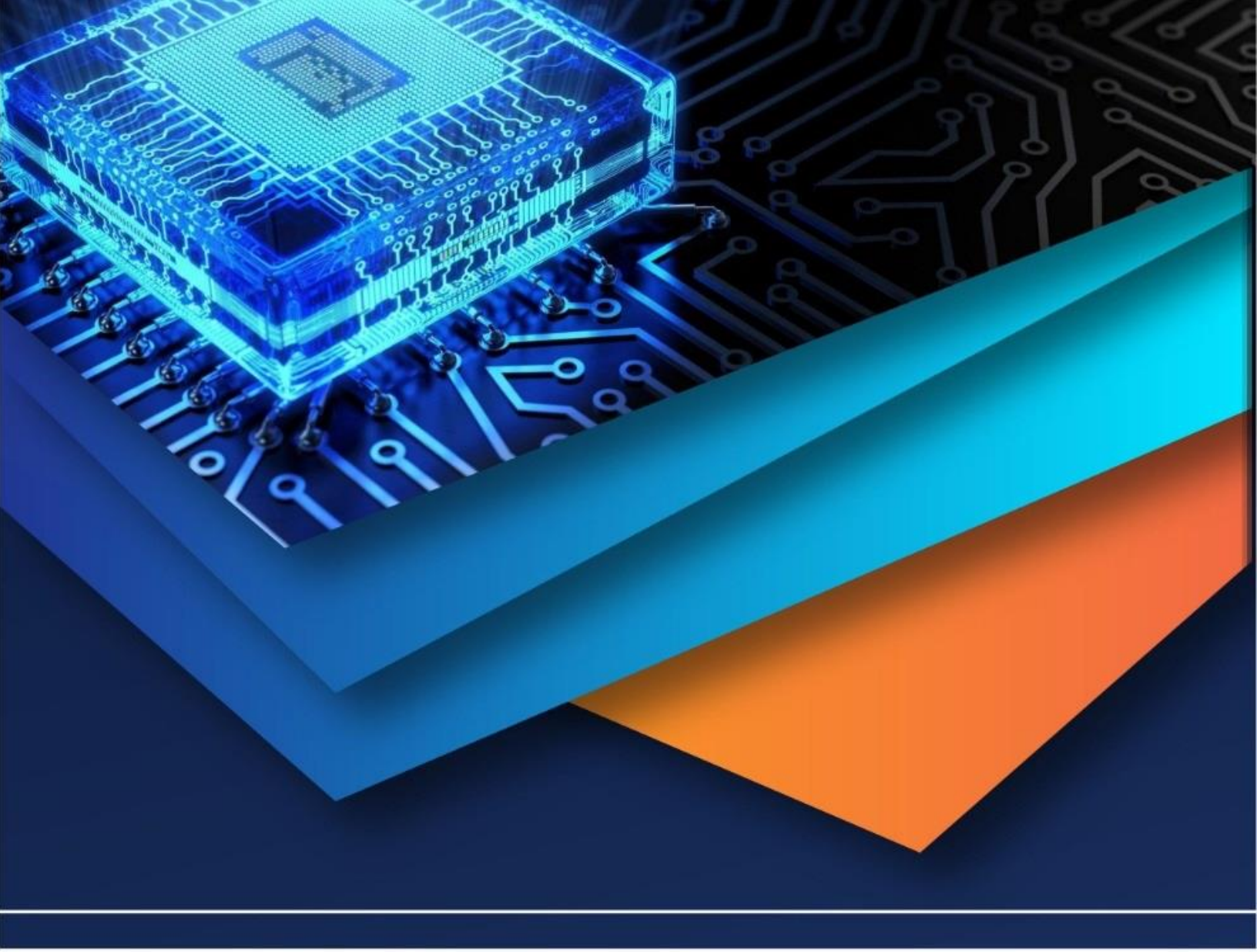
Here are some potential future scopes of Fire Detection and Alarm System Using Arduino & GSM SIM900a:

1) *Enhanced Connectivity:* By using the GSM SIM900a module, the fire alarm system can be connected to the internet and provide remote monitoring and control. This allows users to receive alerts and notifications about fire hazards and control the alarm system from anywhere in the world.
2) *Artificial Intelligence Integration:* The use of AI algorithms in fire detection and alarm systems can enhance the accuracy of the system by minimizing false alarms and improving the detection of actual fires.
3) *Integration with other Systems:* The Arduino-based fire detection and alarm system can be integrated with other IoT devices, such as smart home systems, to provide a more comprehensive safety solution.
4) *Improved Energy Efficiency:* The use of Arduino technology in fire detection and alarm systems can optimize energy consumption, making the system more energy-efficient and cost-effective.
5) *Integration with Emergency Response Systems:* With the integration of GSM SIM900a, the fire alarm system can be connected to emergency response systems, such as fire departments and hospitals, to respond to emergencies quickly and efficiently.

In summary, the future of fire detection and alarm systems using Arduino and GSM SIM900a technology is promising, with the potential for enhanced connectivity, improved accuracy, energy efficiency, and integration with other systems.

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