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Smart Power Backup System

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Abstract: *Reliable power supply is essential for the proper functioning of electronic devices and systems. However, frequent power interruptions and voltage fluctuations can lead to inconvenience, data loss, and damage to sensitive equipment. This project presents the design and implementation of a smart power backup system using an Arduino Uno. The system continuously monitors the availability of the main power supply and automatically switches to a rechargeable battery during power failure conditions.*

Voltage and current sensors are used to monitor electrical parameters in real time, while a relay or MOSFET enables automatic switching between power sources. A display unit provides live information about system status, and LED indicators along with a buzzer offer user alerts during faults or outages.

The proposed system is designed to be low-cost, efficient, and reliable, making it suitable for small electronic devices and household applications. By integrating monitoring, automation, and alert mechanisms, the system enhances power supply reliability and ensures uninterrupted operation.

Keywords: *Smart Power Backup System, Arduino Uno, Automatic Switching, Battery Backup, Voltage and Current Monitoring, Relay / MOSFET Switching, Power Failure Detection, Embedded System.*

I. INTRODUCTION

reliable and continuous power supply is essential for the proper functioning of electronic devices and systems in today's world. Many small-scale applications such as homes, shops, and offices depend heavily on electricity for their daily operations. However, frequent power interruptions, voltage fluctuations, and unexpected outages can cause serious problems such as data loss, equipment malfunction, and reduced efficiency. These issues highlight the need for an effective and intelligent power backup solution that can ensure uninterrupted power supply and protect sensitive devices.

To address these challenges, a Smart Power Backup System using Arduino Uno is developed. This system is designed to automatically detect the availability of the main power supply and switch to a backup source whenever a power failure occurs. The Arduino Uno acts as the central control unit, continuously monitoring the system and making decisions based on real-time conditions. By using sensors, the system measures important electrical parameters such as voltage and current, ensuring that the power supply remains within safe limits.

The system incorporates automatic switching mechanisms such as relays or MOSFETs to ensure a smooth and quick transition between the main power supply and the backup battery. This reduces downtime and prevents disruption in the operation of connected devices. In addition, a display unit is used to provide real-time information about system status, including voltage levels, current consumption, and the active power source. LED indicators and a buzzer are also included to alert users during power failure or abnormal conditions, improving user awareness and system safety.

One of the key advantages of this project is its low cost and simplicity, making it suitable for small-scale applications such as local shops, homes, and small offices. It is easy to install, operate, and maintain, and can be further expanded with additional features if required. Overall, the smart power backup system enhances the reliability and efficiency of power supply by integrating monitoring, automatic control, and user notification into a single system.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

1) *Lithium-ion Batteries: A Look into the Future Authors: Scrosati B., Hassoun J., Sun Y.K. (2021)*

This paper discusses the future prospects of lithium-ion batteries, highlighting their high energy density, long lifecycle, and wide applicability in portable and backup systems. The study emphasizes the importance of advanced battery technologies in ensuring reliable and efficient power supply. It also explains how improvements in battery materials and design contribute to better performance, safety, and sustainability. The research concludes that lithium-ion batteries are a key solution for modern energy storage and backup applications.

2) *Battery Backup Power System for Electrical Appliances with Two Options of Primary Power Sources*

Authors: Sabry A. H., Hasan W. Z. W., Alkubaisi Y., Ab-Kadir M. Z. A. (2020)

This paper presents the design of a battery backup power system that utilizes two primary power sources to improve reliability. The system incorporates an automatic switching mechanism that seamlessly transfers power between sources during failure conditions. The study demonstrates improved performance in maintaining continuous power supply and reducing downtime. The proposed system enhances efficiency and reliability, making it suitable for modern electrical applications.

3) *Battery Energy Storage Technologies for Sustainable Electric Vehicles and Grid Applications*

Authors: Lakshmi G. S., Olena R., Divya G., Oleksandr R. (2022)

This paper explores various battery energy storage technologies used in sustainable applications such as electric vehicles and power grids. It focuses on improving battery performance, efficiency, and integration with modern electrical systems. It concludes that efficient battery systems are essential for reliable and eco-friendly power management.

4) *Factors Affecting the Battery Performance of Anthraquinone-Based Organic Cathode Materials*

Authors: Xu W., Read A., Koech P. K., Hu D., Wang C., Xiao J., Zhang J. G. (2012)

This paper investigates the factors influencing the performance of anthraquinone-based organic cathode materials in battery systems. It examines the effects of material properties, chemical composition, and structural characteristics on battery efficiency and stability. The study provides insights into improving battery performance through material optimization. The findings contribute to the development of high-performance and durable energy storage systems.

III. SYSTEM OVERVIEW

A. System overview

The Smart Power Backup System using Arduino Uno is designed to ensure uninterrupted power supply by automatically switching between the main power source and a backup battery during power failures. The Arduino Uno continuously monitors the availability of the main supply along with key electrical parameters such as voltage and current using sensors. When a power interruption or abnormal condition is detected, it controls a relay or MOSFET to shift the load to the battery backup instantly. The system also provides real-time status information through a display unit and alerts the user using LEDs and a buzzer, making it an efficient, reliable, and user-friendly solution for small-scale power backup applications.

B. System Architecture

The system architecture of the Smart Power Backup System using Arduino Uno consists of several interconnected modules that work together to ensure continuous power supply. The main power supply and the rechargeable battery act as input sources, while voltage and current sensors are used to monitor electrical parameters. The Arduino Uno serves as the central control unit, receiving sensor data and processing it to make decisions. Based on the power availability, it controls a relay or MOSFET switching unit to select between the main supply and battery backup. A display unit is connected to show real-time system information, while LED indicators and a buzzer provide alerts during power failure or abnormal conditions. All these components are integrated to form a reliable and automated power management system.

Block Diagram: Smart Power Backup System

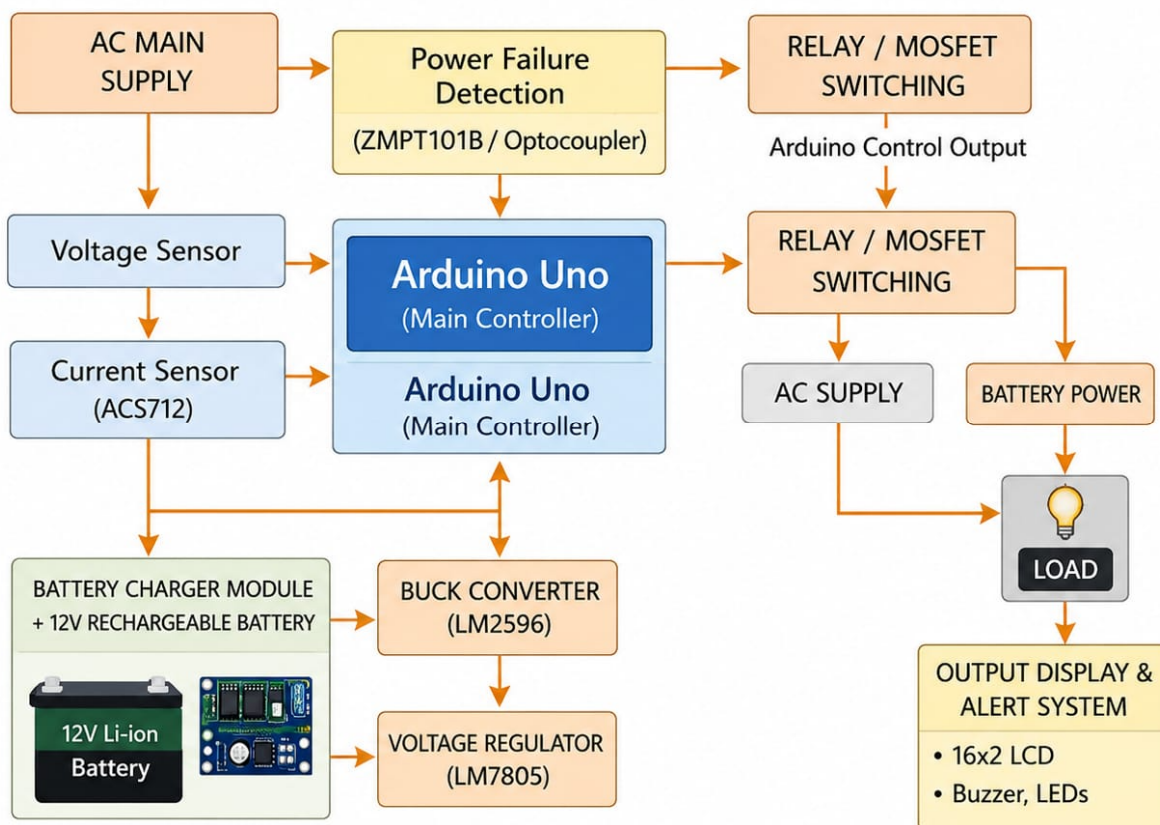


Fig 1. Block diagram of Smart Power Backup System

C. Hardware Components

- Arduino Uno – Main control unit
- Voltage Sensor Module – Measures voltage
- Current Sensor – Measures current
- Relay Module – Switching device
- Rechargeable Battery – Backup power source
- LCD Display – Displays system status
- Buzzer – Audio alert
- LED Indicators – Visual alerts
- Power Supply Unit – Provides required voltage
- Connecting Wires – Circuit connections

D. System advantages

The Smart Power Backup System using Arduino Uno offers several advantages that make it highly useful for small-scale applications. It ensures an uninterrupted power supply during power failures by automatically switching between the main source and a backup battery, thereby reducing downtime and preventing disruption. The system continuously monitors voltage and current, helping to protect electronic devices from damage caused by fluctuations or abnormal conditions.

It also provides real-time information through a display and alerts users using LEDs and a buzzer, improving awareness and safety. In addition, the system is low-cost, easy to implement, and reliable, making it suitable for homes, small shops, and offices.

IV. METHODOLOGY

- 1) *Power Supply Monitoring* – The system continuously checks the main power supply using a power detection circuit connected to the Arduino Uno.
- 2) *Power Failure Detection* – When a power cut or voltage drop is detected, the Arduino identifies the failure condition immediately.
- 3) *Automatic Switching* – The controller activates a relay or MOSFET to switch the load from the main supply to the battery backup automatically.
- 4) *Parameter Measurement* – Sensors like the ACS712 Current Sensor Module and a voltage sensor measure real-time current and voltage values.
- 5) *Display and Monitoring* – The measured values are displayed on a 16×2 LCD for user monitoring.
- 6) *Alert System* – LED indicators and a buzzer provide alerts during power failure or system status changes.
- 7) *Restoration Process* – When the main power supply returns, the system automatically switches back and may start battery charging if implemented.

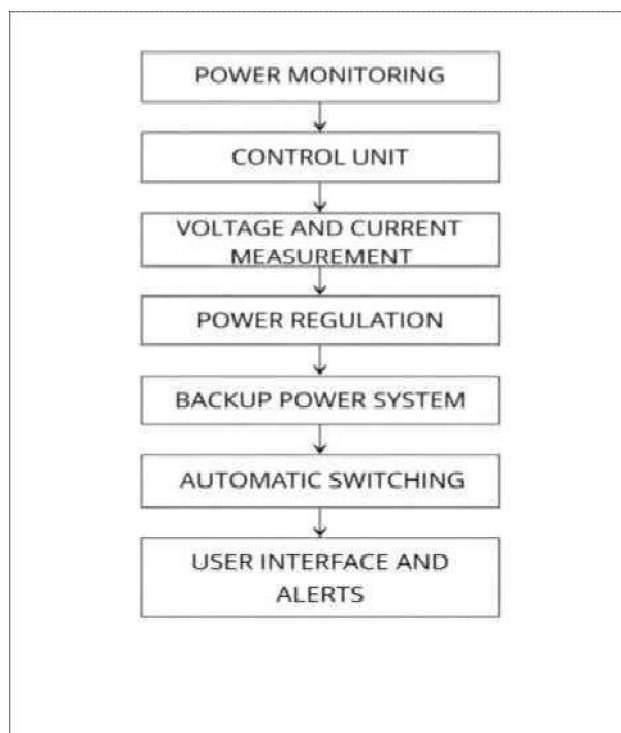


Fig 1:Flow Chart of Smart Power Backup System

Circuit design

The circuit design of the smart power backup system is centered around the Arduino Uno, which acts as the main control unit to manage all operations. A power detection circuit is used to continuously monitor the availability of the main power supply. When a power failure is detected, the Arduino triggers a switching circuit consisting of a relay or MOSFET to automatically transfer the load to a rechargeable battery backup. The system also includes sensing components such as the ACS712 Current Sensor Module and a voltage sensor to measure electrical parameters like current and voltage. These measured values are displayed on a 16×2 LCD for easy monitoring by the user. Additionally, LED indicators and a buzzer are integrated into the circuit to provide alerts regarding power status and system conditions, ensuring reliable and efficient operation.

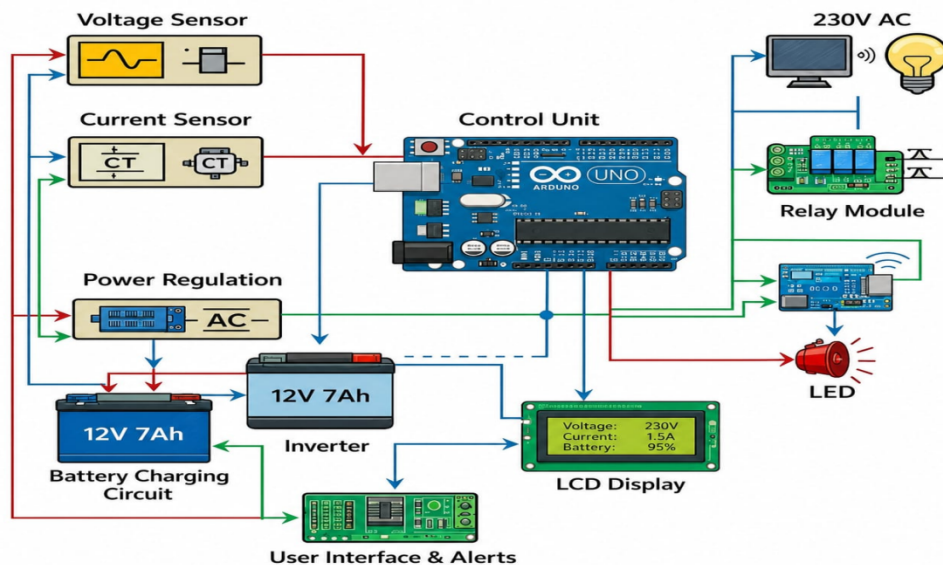


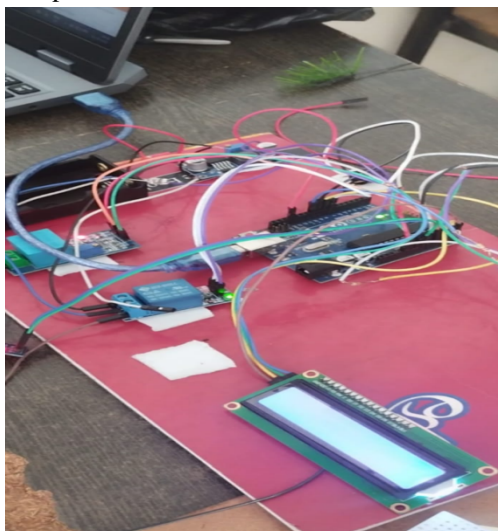
Fig 3: Circuit diagram of Smart Power Backup System

V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The results of the smart power backup system demonstrate that the system operates efficiently and reliably during power interruptions. The Arduino Uno successfully detects power failures and automatically switches the load to the battery backup without noticeable delay, ensuring continuous power supply. The integration of the ACS712 Current Sensor Module and voltage sensor provides accurate measurement of electrical parameters, which are clearly displayed on the 16x2 LCD. The LED indicators and buzzer effectively alert users about power status changes, improving user awareness. During testing, the system showed stable performance under different load conditions, with minimal power loss. Overall, the project proves to be a low-cost, reliable, and efficient solution for small-scale power backup applications, suitable for household and educational use.

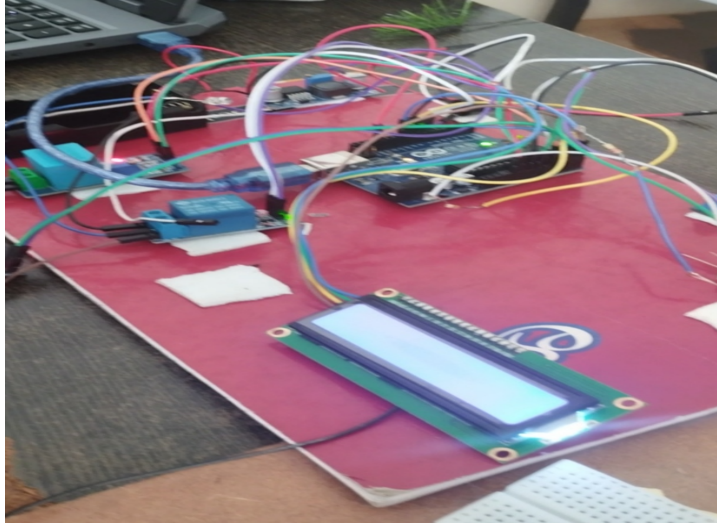
A. Hardware implementation

The hardware implementation of the system uses the Arduino Uno as the main controller to manage all operations. A power detection circuit senses the main supply, while a relay or MOSFET switches to the battery during power failure. The ACS712 Current Sensor Module and a voltage sensor measure electrical parameters. A 16x2 LCD displays the values, and LEDs with a buzzer provide status alerts for proper system operation.



B. Monitoring power supply and Response to the power cut

Monitoring the power supply and responding to a power cut is based on continuous voltage sensing and real-time decision making by the Arduino Uno. A voltage sensing circuit converts the main supply into a low-level signal that the Arduino can safely read. This signal is continuously compared with a predefined threshold value to determine whether the supply is normal or has dropped below an acceptable level. When a power cut or significant voltage drop occurs, the Arduino immediately detects the change and triggers a control signal. This signal activates a relay or MOSFET switching circuit, which disconnects the load from the main supply and connects it to the battery backup. At the same time, the system may activate indicators such as LEDs or a buzzer to notify the user. Once the main power supply is restored and stabilizes above the threshold, the Arduino again responds by switching the load back to the main source. This approach ensures fast, automatic, and reliable response to power interruptions while maintaining continuous operation of connected devices.



C. Performance Analysis

The overall performance of the smart power backup system is found to be efficient, reliable, and suitable for small-scale applications. The Arduino Uno ensures fast detection of power interruptions and provides a quick response by automatically switching to the backup supply with minimal delay. The system maintains a stable output during transitions, preventing disruption to connected devices. The integration of the ACS712 Current Sensor Module and voltage sensor enables accurate monitoring of electrical parameters, improving system transparency and control. The LCD display, along with LED indicators and buzzer, enhances user interaction by providing real-time status updates and alerts. Additionally, the system operates with low power consumption and cost, making it practical for household and educational use. Overall, the project demonstrates good stability, responsiveness, and effectiveness in ensuring an uninterrupted power supply.

VI. ADVANTAGES

- 1) Uninterrupted power supply
- 2) Automatic switching
- 3) Real-time monitoring
- 4) Low cost

VII. LIMITATIONS

- 1) Limited to low loads
- 2) Limited battery backup

VIII. FUTURE SCOPE

- 1) IoT integration
- 2) Solar power support

- 3) Better battery management
- 4) Higher load capacity

IX. CONCLUSION

The smart power backup system successfully demonstrates an efficient and reliable solution for maintaining uninterrupted power supply during outages. By using the Arduino Uno as the main controller, the system is able to detect power failures and automatically switch to a backup source with minimal delay. The integration of sensors for voltage and current monitoring enhances system awareness and allows users to observe real-time performance through a display unit. Additionally, alert mechanisms such as LEDs and a buzzer improve user interaction and safety. Overall, the project achieves its objective of developing a low-cost, automated, and user-friendly power backup system suitable for small-scale and household applications, while also providing a foundation for future improvements and expansion.

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