SMART HOME USING ANDROID APPLICATION

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Abstract
These Technology advancements have made the implementation of embedded systems within home appliances. Automation of the surrounding environment of a modern human being allows increasing his work efficiency and comfort. This paper presents a technology where the user controls the devices through smart phones. Smart Home System has been designed for mobile phones having Android platform to enable Wi-Fi network which is interfaced with AVR Microcontroller which controls a number of home appliances like lights, fans and many more using suitable on/off switching devices. Android provides access to a wide range of useful libraries and tools that can be used to build rich applications. Wi-Fi is an open standard specification for a radio frequency (RF)-based wireless connectivity technology. The controlling device of the whole system is an AVR Microcontroller. The controller acts accordingly to switch connected home appliances.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In nowadays, we must make use of various high-tech tools and equipments to get our jobs done and make our life comfortable. And the mobile phone is the inseparable part of human lives today. With the help of mobile phones human can done many works related to their civil life. At todays repaired technology the mobile phone is also become smart one. With the help of this smart gadget we can make our home smart one. Some products are commercially available in market which allows home appliances controlling through internet, GSM, DTMF, Bluetooth, RFID, and Zigbee. But it lacks the true sense of real mobility, security and some limited range of connectivity. We proposed a new technology so that the ordinary services of the mobile phones can be used to communicate with and control the home appliances. Here, the switch board of our regular use is replacing by Wi-Fi module which will communicate with AVR microcontroller and the android based smart phone. The home appliances monitoring and controlling is done wirelessly through Android smart phone using the Wi-Fi feature present in it. Android is a healthy array of connectivity options, including Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, and wireless data over a cellular connection. The advantage of controlling mechanism is the devices controlling and monitoring is available in two modes that is automatic mode and user mode. In user mode the controlling is done with instruction given by android based smart phone and in case the user is not present at home to control the required appliance the present home owner can use the automatic mode to control and monitor the appliance. The important part of this technique is that the appliances run on single processor and produce required output. Here all the devices which are to be controlled are connected to the AVR Microcontroller and suitable switching devices like triac. There are four triac connected and are controlled automatically for different appliances like light on-off, fan on-off and speed control, Temperature and light intensity can be sensed as well as the PIR sensor can be used for security purpose. New appliances can be added anytime to the system, which provides for the reliability of the system.

2. SYSTEM OVERVIEW

Fig 1 illustrates the overall control function of the system. The projected system works using the smartphone application. The smartphone application is nothing but an android application which is the main source for giving the instruction to the Wi-Fi module. The transmitter of Wi-Fi transmits the data given by the application using radio waves technology.

The Wi-Fi works on radio waves technology, as the data to be passed through Wi-Fi is converted into the electromagnetic signal which is then sent using the antenna. This signal is received and decoded by the router at the receiving end. This signal is passed to the controller which is nothing but AVR controller.

The AVR further operates the received information and performs operations on the appliances, which are driven by the driver circuitry. So, following are the hardware requirement for the system to be developed.
2.1 AVR Microcontroller

Microcontroller used is ATmega16L. It is one of the high performance low power 8 bit microcontroller. Having four PWM channels. Real-time counter with separate oscillator. It has 8-channel, 10bit inbuilt ADC. JTAG interfacing with boundary scan capabilities. It also has 16K Bytes in system programmable flash. The Microcontroller having six sleep modes of operation, like Ideal mode, ADC Noise Reduction mode, Power Save Mode, Power Down mode, Standby mode and Extended Standby mode. The Controller operates on 2.7 to 5.5V, With Speed Grades of 0 to 8 MHz. The Controller having two special Features, first one is Power-on Reset and Programmable Brown-out Detection and second one is External and Internal Interrupt Sources.

2.2 Wi-Fi Module

Wi-Fi is a technology that allows an electronic device to exchange data or connects using microwaves in the 2.4 GHz and 5GHz bands. The module is based on the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers 802.11 standards. Wi-Fi is more suitable for sensitive applications. It has power saving mechanisms and extended battery life. Support transparent transmission mode as well as multiple network protocols. The Wi-Fi module use is embedded based on the universal serial interface network standard, built-in TCP / IP protocol stack, enabling the user serial port, Ethernet, wireless network (wifi) interface between the conversions. The modules integrate all of the RF components required, removing the need to perform expensive RF design and test. It simply connecting sensors and switches to the module I/O pins or UART interface.

2.3 Android Application

Android is a software stack for mobile devices that includes an operating system, middleware and key applications. Android boasts a healthy array of connectivity options including Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, and wireless data over a cellular connection. Android provides access to a wide range of useful libraries and tools that can be used to build rich applications. In addition, Android includes a full set of tools that have been built from the ground up alongside the platform providing developers with high productivity and deep insight into their applications. [11]

2.4 Driver Circuitary

In electrical circuit driver is the circuit component used to control another circuit such as high power transistors, triacs, relays and many other. They are usually used to regulate current flowing through a circuit or is used to control the other factor such as other components and devices in the circuit. The most popular type of voltage regulator IC is the 78XX series, sometimes called the LM78XX series. These voltage regulator combine 17 transistor, three Zener diodes, & a helpful of resistors into one hand by package with three pins and a heat sink that helps dissipate the excess power consumed by the regulator as it compensates for increases or decreases in current draw to keep the voltage at a constant level. The last two digits of the 78XX ID number indicate the output voltage regulated by the IC. To use a 78XX voltage regulator, you just insert it in series on the positive side of the power supply circuit and connect the ground lead to the negative side. As this shows, it’s also a good idea to place a small capacitor after the regulator. The diodes in a bridge rectifier will drop about 3V from the transformer output, So you will need a transformer whose secondary delivers at least 11V to produce 5V of regulated output. 11V transformers are rare, but 12V transformer is readily available. Thus, a 5V regulated power supply starts with a 12V ac transformer that delivers 12V to the bridge rectifier, which converts the AC to DC And drops the voltage down to about 9 V & then delivers the voltage to the filter circuit, which smooths out the ripples and passes the voltage on to the 7805 voltage regulator, which holds the output voltage at 5 V.

2.5 Appliances to be controlled

The appliances which are to be control is the interface with driver circuitry to microcontroller which are wirelessly connected to Wi-Fi. The appliances which are to be controlled is light on-off, controlling the speed of fan as well as on-off. There are three sensors are used one is the temperature sensor which sense different values of temperature. The second sensor is Light-dependent resister sensor is very useful especially in light/dark sensor circuits. Normally the resistance of a sensor is very high, but when they are illuminated with light resistance drops dramatically, allowing current to pass through it. The third sensor is Passive Infrared Sensor which is
a device that detects motion by measuring changes in the infrared levels emitted by surrounding objects. This motion can be detected by checking for a high signal on a single input output pin.

3. ACTIVITY DIAGRAM

![Activity Diagram](image)

**Fig-2:** Activity diagram

The Fig. 2 Shown above represents the activity diagram of system. It shows the process of flow of activities. Initially there are two modes of operations one is user mode and second is automatic mode. The user can access the smart phone application and gives command to Wi-Fi module. The Wi-Fi module can processing router with help of electromagnetic signal which will processing microcontroller. The switching action can be take place with help of driver circuitry. The driver circuitry can control and manage the devices as per there required conditions. Devices can be on-off and senses by the driver circuitry.

4. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper presenting a new system is design. There are number of designs are built in this automation field but the this is the system design which are operated in two different conditions either smart phone user present at home or other family members are at home both can be access and control the appliances. The system is implemented not only for limited area but is useful for all required area. As per the point of security there is access code for a Wi-Fi. So the system is easier to use and protected with the help of access code.

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