

## POWER LINES POWER THEFT MONITORING AND AUTO ALERT SYSTEM TO POWER OFFICES USING WEB SERVERS

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### ABSTRACT

Electricity theft is a major concern for the utilities. Many times power theft has been major impact on the economy as well as the development of the country. At present to monitor the various parameters like power consumption, the amount of load and to prevent electricity siphoning, an intelligent device would come handy to solve the problem for the power company and the clients. Application of techniques of power monitoring allows to power monitoring systems to receive the information remotely and in relation to the coordinates and time. In this project we are using smart power meter which are fitted on both at the transmission and load side. These meters are capable of measuring power sent over the load and power consumed by the load over the time respectively. Both the parameters are sent to the base station wirelessly. Whenever there is a mismatch above the tolerance level parameters, then power theft is detected. The system will trigger the alarm to intimate to the concern authority so that they take necessary legal action and prevent power theft in the future.

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### LITERATURE SURVEY

There are two types of power losses, technical losses and non-technical losses. Technical losses are naturally occurring losses due to power dissipation, for example  $I^2R$  and copper losses. Non – technical losses are due to

component break down and electricity theft. Component break down is due to environmental factors and weather conditions such as heavy rains. In [1] the power theft practices are meter tampering, illegal connection, billing irregularities and unpaid bills. There have been various discussions on how to detect and prevent the power theft. [2] Proposes a system design which incorporates an android application and also indicates the exact zone on which unauthorized tapping is done in the real time. It would provide a digital record in case of any judicial dispute current. If the line current is greater than the meter then an alert message is sent to the concerned authority with the help of GSM System.

#### **EXISTING SYSTEM**

There are many methods which have been proposed for theft detection. Many of these methods include load profile analysis of customers to detect abnormal energy consumption patterns. But these methods cannot be used to detect energy thefts when there is a complete bypass of electricity meters. In such cases, electricity losses are calculated by using energy balance between the energy supplied from the distribution transformer and the energy consumed at the consumer's end. An effective way for estimating nontechnical losses in the electricity distribution network is correctly estimating the technical losses in the network and then subtracting it from the total loss in the network.

#### **DISADVANTAGES**

- Practical Implementation Issues.
- Lower Detection Level.
- Easily tamper able.
- Complex Implementation.

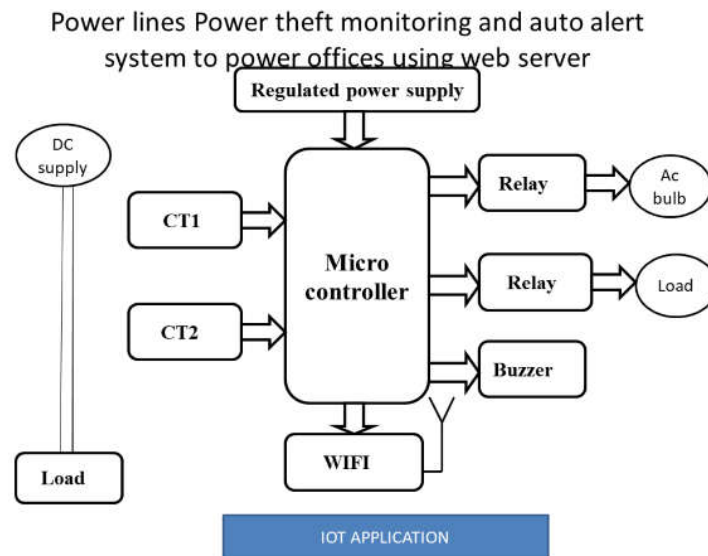
#### **PROPOSED SYSTEM**

Our proposed approach deals with the tampering detection system for electric meters. Once the meter starts if any tampering is done the report will be immediately sent to the highest official and police station to take further access with consumer name, address, consumer id etc. We use Wi-Fi to send SMS and At mega Microcontroller for logic analysis. The programming language used is Embedded C. If someone tries to damage the seal or bypass the meter then meter orientation changes and tampering is detected. This will be reported to officials in terms of SMS to any number of users. Overall Functionality will display in LCD display. This is 100% practically implementable in real-time.

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- Real-time Implementation is Possible
- Lesser Complex Design
- High Accuracy
- Lower Cost

## BLOCK DIAGRAM



## EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

Many embedded systems have substantially different design constraints than desktop computing applications. No single characterization applies to the diverse spectrum of embedded systems. However, some combination of cost pressure, long life-cycle, real-time requirements, reliability requirements, and design culture dysfunction can make it difficult to be successful applying traditional computer design methodologies and tools to embedded applications. Embedded systems in many cases must be optimized for life-cycle and business-driven factors rather than for maximum computing throughput. There is currently little *tool* support for expanding embedded computer design to the scope of holistic embedded system design. However, knowing the strengths and weaknesses of current approaches can set expectations appropriately, identify risk areas to tool adopters, and suggest ways in which tool builders can meet industrial needs. If we look around us, today we see numerous appliances which we use daily, be it our refrigerator, the microwave oven, cars, PDAs etc. Most appliances today are powered by something beneath the sheath that makes them do what they do. These are tiny microprocessors, which respond to various keystrokes or inputs. These tiny microprocessors, working on basic assembly languages, are the heart of the appliances. We call them embedded systems. Of all the semiconductor industries, the embedded systems market place is the most conservative, and engineering decisions here usually lean towards established, low risk solutions. Welcome to the world of embedded systems, of computers that will not look like computers and won't function like anything we are familiar with.

## CLASSIFICATION

Embedded systems are divided into autonomous, realtime, networked & mobile categories.

### Autonomous systems

They function in standalone mode. Many embedded systems used for process control in manufacturing units & automobiles fall under this category.

### Real-time embedded systems

These are required to carry out specific tasks in a specified amount of time. These systems are extensively used to carry out time critical tasks in process control.

### Networked embedded systems

They monitor plant parameters such as temperature, pressure and humidity and send the data over the network to a centralized system for on line monitoring.

### Mobile gadgets

Mobile gadgets need to store databases locally in their memory. These gadgets imbibe powerful computing & communication capabilities to perform realtime as well as nonrealtime tasks and handle multimedia applications. The embedded system is a combination of computer hardware, software, firmware and perhaps additional mechanical parts, designed to perform a specific function. A good example is an automatic washing machine or a microwave oven. Such a system is in direct contrast to a personal computer, which is not designed to do only a specific task. But an embedded system is designed to do a specific task with in a given timeframe, repeatedly, endlessly, with or without human interaction.

### Hardware

Good software design in embedded systems stems from a good understanding of the hardware behind it. All embedded systems need a microprocessor, and the kinds of microprocessors used in them are quite varied. A list of some of the common microprocessors families are: ARM family, The Zilog Z8 family, Intel 8051/X86 family, Motorola 68K family and the power PC family. For processing of information and execution of programs, embedded system incorporates microprocessor or micro- controller. In an embedded system the microprocessor is a part of final product and is not available for reprogramming to the end user. An embedded system also needs memory for two purposes, to store its program and to store its data. Unlike normal desktops in which data and programs are stored at the same place, embedded systems store data and programs in different memories. This is simply because the embedded system does not have a hard drive and the program must be stored in memory even when the power is turned off. This type of memory is called ROM. Embedded applications commonly employ a special type of ROM that can be programmed or reprogrammed with the help of special

### LCD (Liquid Cristal Display)

#### Introduction:

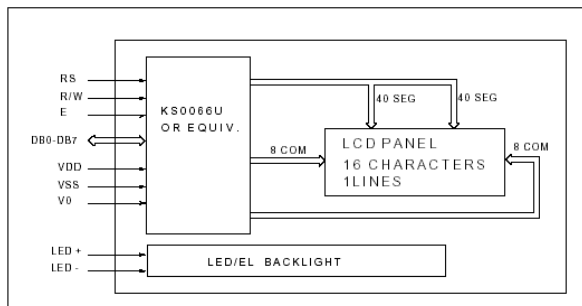
A liquid crystal display (LCD) is a thin, flat display device made up of any number of color or monochrome pixels arrayed in front of a light source or reflector. Each pixel consists of a column of liquid crystal molecules suspended between two transparent electrodes, and two polarizing filters, the axes of polarity of which are perpendicular to each other. Without the liquid crystals between them, light passing through one would be blocked by the other. The liquid crystal twists the polarization of light entering one filter to allow it to pass through the other.

A program must interact with the outside world using input and output devices that communicate directly with a human being. One of the most common devices attached to an controller is an LCD display. Some of the most common LCDs connected to the controllers are 16X1, 16x2 and 20x2 displays. This means 16 characters per line by 1 line 16 characters per line by 2 lines and 20 characters per line by 2 lines, respectively.

Many microcontroller devices use 'smart LCD' displays to output visual information. LCD displays designed around LCD NT-C1611 module, are inexpensive, easy to use, and it is even possible to produce a readout using the 5X7 dots plus cursor of the display. They have a standard ASCII set of characters and mathematical symbols. For an 8-bit data bus, the display requires a +5V supply plus 10 I/O lines (RS RW D7

D6 D5 D4 D3 D2 D1 D0). For a 4-bit data bus it only requires the supply lines plus 6 extra lines(RS RW D7 D6 D5 D4). When the LCD display is not enabled, data lines are tri-state and they do not interfere with the operation of the microcontroller.

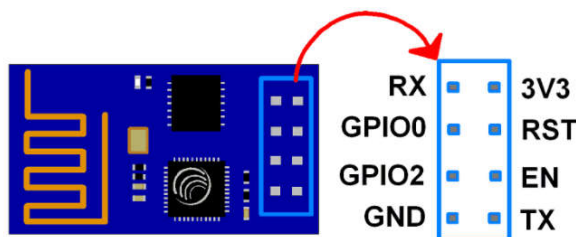
**Electrical block diagram:**



**ACTIVE PASSIVE BUZZER**



**ESP8266-01 PIN DESCRIPTION:**



ESP8266-01 Module Pins

**3V3:** - 3.3 V Power Pin.

**GND:** - Ground Pin.

**RST:** - Active Low Reset Pin.

**EN:** - Active High Enable Pin.

**TX:** - Serial Transmit Pin of UART.

**RX:** - Serial Receive Pin of UART.

**GPIO0 & GPIO2:** - General Purpose I/O Pins. These pins decide what mode (boot or normal) the module starts up in. It also decides whether the TX/RX pins are used for Programming the module or for serial I/O purpose.

To program the module using UART, Connect GPIO0 to ground and GPIO2 to VCC or leave it open. To use UART for normal Serial I/O leave both the pins open (neither VCC nor Ground).

**SOFTWARE DESCRIPTION**

**ARDUINO SOFTWARE:**

The Arduino is a family of microcontroller boards to simplify electronic design, prototyping and experimenting for artists, hackers, hobbyists, but also many professionals. People use it as brains for their robots, to build new digital music instruments, or to build a system that lets your house plants tweet you when they're dry. Arduinos

(we use the standard Arduino Uno) are built around an ATmega microcontroller — essentially a complete computer with CPU, RAM, Flash memory, and input/output

### What you will need:

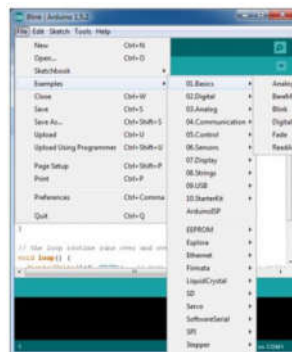
- A computer (Windows, Mac, or Linux)
- An Arduino-compatible microcontroller (anything from this guide should work)
- A USB A-to-B cable, or another appropriate way to connect your Arduino-compatible microcontroller to your computer (check out this USB buying guide if you're not sure which cable to get).



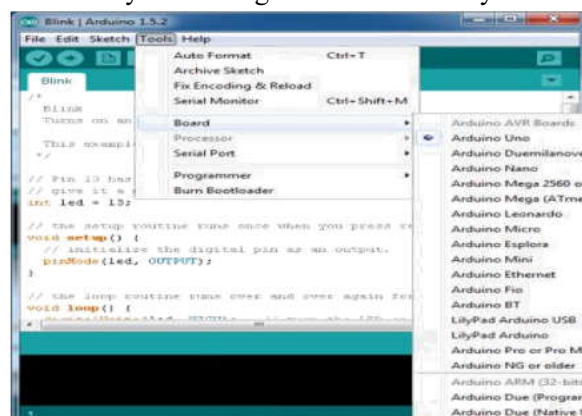
### LAUNCH AND BLINK!

After following the appropriate steps for your software install, we are now ready to test your first program with your Arduino board!

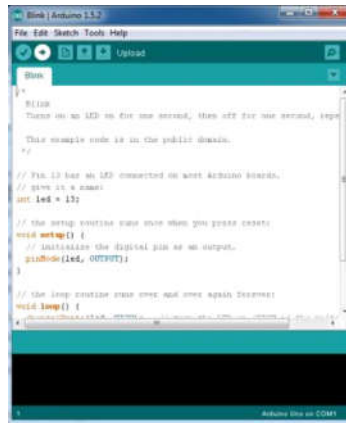
- Launch the Arduino application
- If you disconnected your board, plug it back in
- Open the Blink example sketch by going to: File > Examples > 1.Basics > Blink



- Select the type of Arduino board you're using: Tools > Board > your board type



- Select the serial/COM port that your Arduino is attached to: Tools > Port > COMxx



If you're not sure which serial device is your Arduino, take a look at the available ports, then unplug your Arduino and look again. The one that disappeared is your Arduino.

With your Arduino board connected, and the Blink sketch open, press the 'Upload' button

After a second, you should see some LEDs flashing on your Arduino, followed by the message 'Done Uploading' in the status bar of the Blink sketch.

If everything worked, the onboard LED on your Arduino should now be blinking! You just programmed your first Arduino!

#### APPLICATION

- Real time power monitoring of any system (like Domestic and industrial loads)
- System is incorporated with all kind of users
- Idea is well suited for energy theft properly, especially for rural and city areas
- It is also possible to implement in school and colleges for power monitoring purpose
- It is easy to analyze the amount of energy theft in system or in Area

#### CONCLUSION

In this paper, Energy theft monitoring using IoT is an innovative application of internet of things developed to control the power theft remotely over the cloud from anywhere in the world. In the proposed project particle photon module used for monitoring purpose. The system updates the information in every 10 to 12 seconds on the Think Speak cloud using internet. This system is basically made for the reduce the Electricity theft (or pilferage) issue to reduce the commercial losses, direct hooking on power line this issues can be also eliminated by using this system

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