**PROJECT PROPOSAL OF DESIGN TASK**

**AUTOMATED GARAGE DOOR OPENING MECHANISM FOR AUTHENTICATED VEHICLES**

EMBEDDED SYSTEMS AND DESIGN - EC6020

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1. **INTRODUCTION**

The objective of this project is to design and implement an automated garage door opening system using embedded systems and wireless communication technologies. The system will leverage microcontrollers equipped with Wi-Fi or Bluetooth communication modules to authenticate the owner's vehicle and trigger the garage door opening mechanism upon approach. Then by using this Wi-Fi connections if an unknown vehicle is coming to the door, this gate will not open. This system aims to provide a convenient, advanced secure, and efficient solution for homeowners.

1. **PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Conventional garage door opening systems require manual operation or rely on simple remote controls that lack advanced security features. These limitations can be inconvenient, especially in adverse weather conditions or when the user is occupied. Furthermore, the risk of unauthorized access remains a significant concern. Our proposed solution aims to automate the garage door opening process while ensuring security and convenience through advanced authentication mechanisms

1. **SOLUTION**

* Microcontrollers: Handle wireless communication and authentication.
* Sonar Sensors (HC-SR04): Detect approaching vehicles.
* Motor Driver Module (H-Bridge): Control garage door operation.
* LED Indicators: Provide visual feedback on vehicle proximity and system status.
* Communication Protocol: A secure protocol based on Wi-Fi or Bluetooth for authentication and control.

1. **Novelty**

* The system enhances security by utilizing MAC address authentication.

(MAC stands for Media Access Control. It is a unique identifier assigned to network devices, such as Wi-Fi modules in vehicles, that helps in identifying and authenticating devices on a network.)

* Non-blocking programming techniques to ensure parallelism of distance measurement, door control, and connection maintenance.

A scalable and modular design that can be expanded with additional features like mobile app control

1. **High-Level Architecture**

**Technologies Chosen:**

* Microcontroller: NodeMCU is chosen due to its built-in Wi-Fi capabilities, cost-effectiveness, and ease of programming.
* Sonar Sensor: HC-SR04 ultrasonic sensor is selected for its accuracy and compatibility with the microcontroller.
* Motor Driver: H-Bridge provides efficient control of the garage door motor.

**System Architecture:**

1. The vehicle (server board) sends a connection request to the garage (client board).
2. If the vehicle's MAC address matches the stored data, the connection is accepted.
3. The sonar sensor measures the vehicle's proximity.
4. The garage door opens if the vehicle is within the predefined range.