

### Impact Statement

I decided to create a Smart AC watt-hour meter after experiencing a spike in my electricity bill that left me both shocked and curious. Each month, I tried to be mindful of my energy use, but I realized I had no clear way to track which appliances were consuming the most power or when. I also noticed that many homes and businesses around me faced similar challenges, unaware of their real-time energy usage, leading to unnecessary expenses and often wasting power.

With my interest in electronics and IoT, I knew I could build a solution to monitor power consumption accurately. I wanted to design a device that could give me real-time feedback on voltage, current, power, and even environmental conditions, like temperature and humidity, that might affect energy usage. I also wanted to be able to access this information remotely, so I integrated Wi-Fi, allowing data to be monitored and controlled via an online dashboard.

Creating this Smart AC watt-hour meter has been incredibly fulfilling. Not only am I reducing my own energy costs, but I'm also contributing to a sustainable approach to power usage—one smart meter at a time.

## Reasons for choosing Arduino Uno R4 WiFi for my Smart AC Meter project

### Arduino Uno R4 WIFI



- **Renesas RA4M1 32-bit ARM Cortex-M4 processor** at 48 MHz, offers more power than the traditional Uno.
- **256 KB Flash and 32 KB RAM** for handling larger programs and data requirements.
- **Integrated Wi-Fi and Bluetooth (BLE)** with an ESP32-S3 module for seamless IoT connectivity.
- **Compatible with Arduino IoT Cloud and Blynk**, making remote monitoring and control straightforward.
- **USB-C port** for faster programming, power, and serial communication.
- With **12 bits ADC**, it can capture finer details in the analog signal compared to the 10-bit ADC.
- **5V-tolerant I/O pins** for backward compatibility with older 5V sensors and modules.

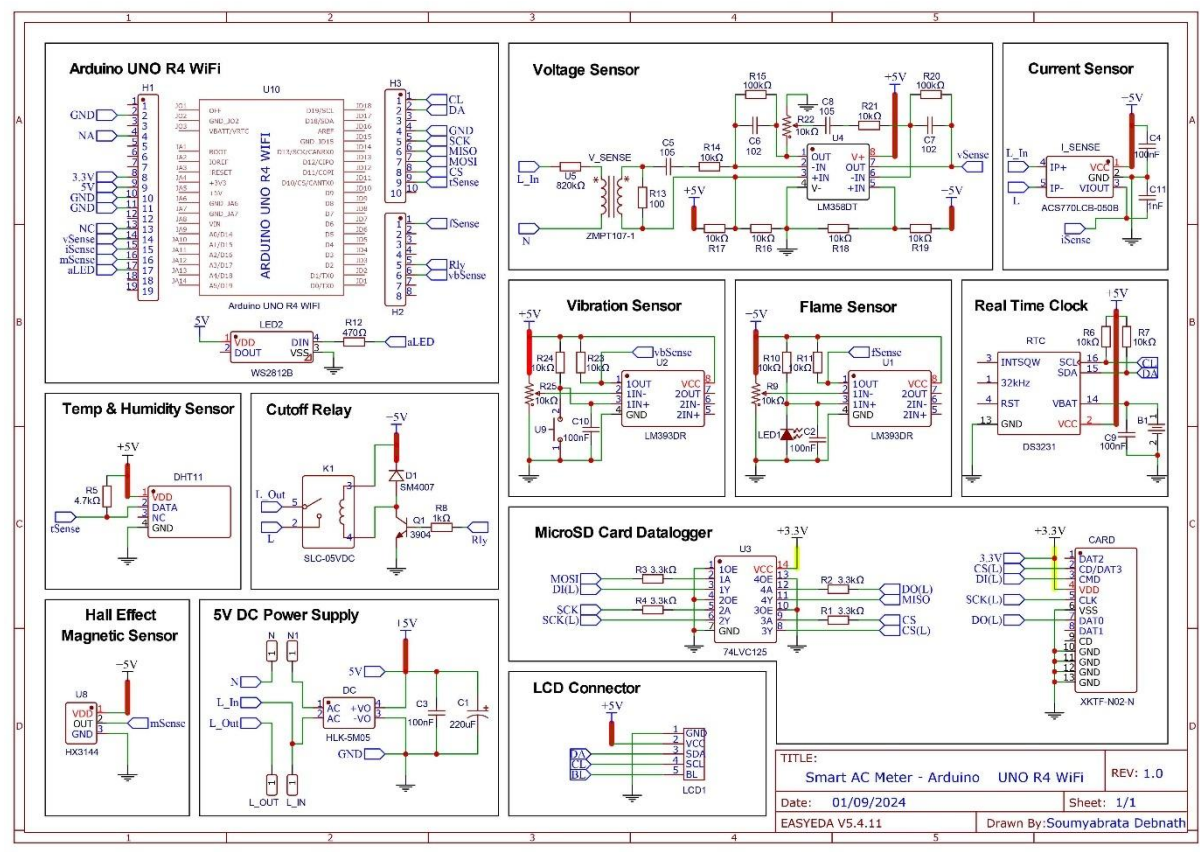
**CircuitDigest** gave 3 different MCU boards to choose from for building my project. I chose the **Arduino Uno R4 WiFi** for my Smart AC Meter project due to several key features that make it ideal for IoT and data-intensive applications like this.

1. **Powerful Processor:** It's powered by the **Renesas RA4M1 32-bit ARM Cortex-M4** running at 48 MHz. This provides significantly more processing power than traditional Arduino boards, which is essential for accurately calculating power, energy, and handling real-time data.
2. **Large Memory:** With **256 KB of Flash memory** and **32 KB of RAM**, I have enough storage and memory to handle larger programs and complex data processing tasks. This is particularly useful for data logging and any additional features I might want to add in the future.
3. **IoT Capabilities:** The **integrated Wi-Fi and Bluetooth (BLE)**, powered by an ESP32-S3 module, allows seamless wireless connectivity. This is crucial for my project since I need to send data to platforms like Blynk or Arduino IoT Cloud for remote monitoring and control.
4. **12-bit ADC:** The board's **12-bit ADC** (Analog-to-Digital Converter) allows it to capture analog signals with greater resolution. This means it can detect more subtle changes in the AC signal, leading to more accurate measurements, which is vital for power monitoring.

5. **USB-C Port:** The **USB-C port** provides faster programming and data communication. This is convenient for development and debugging as it saves time compared to older micro-USB or serial interfaces.
6. **5V Compatibility:** The **5V-tolerant I/O pins** make this board compatible with older 5V sensors and modules, so I can integrate legacy components without issues.

Overall, these features provide the processing power, memory, connectivity, and compatibility I need to build a reliable and accurate Smart AC Meter with IoT capabilities. Also, I have a 15 Years of experience with Arduino environment which is an added benefit in this case.

### Circuit Diagram for the customised Arduino Shield Expansion Board

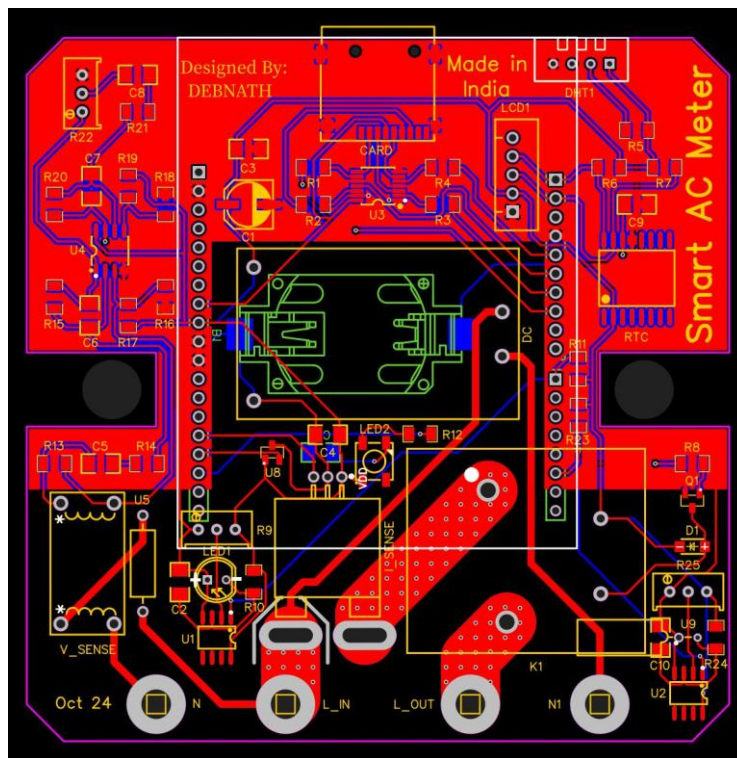




## Complete Bill of Materials and Components used

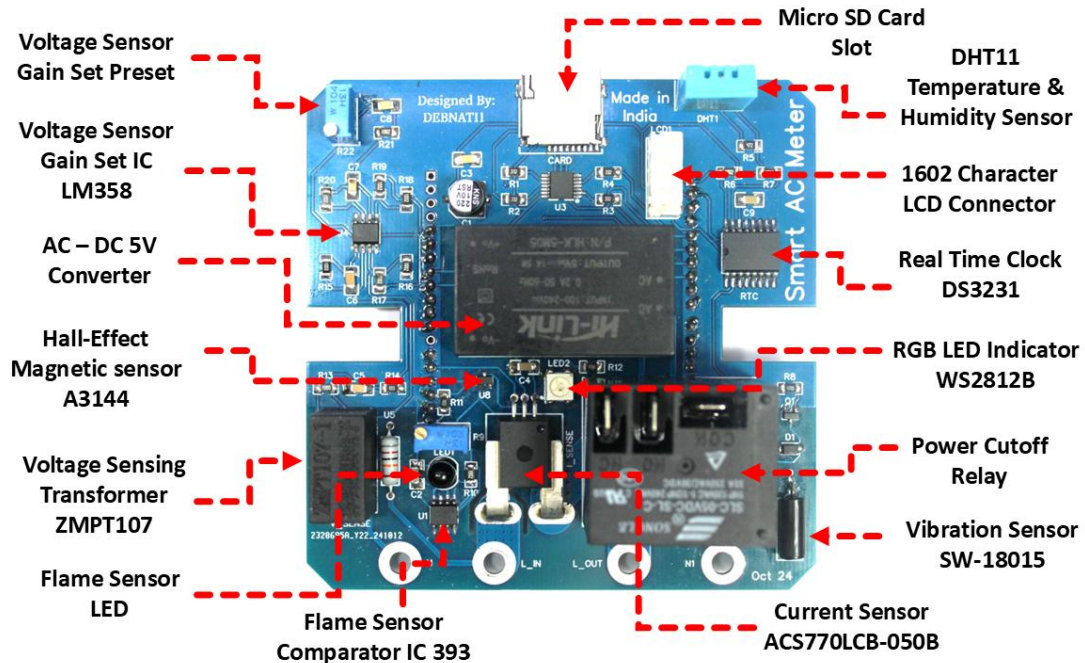
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2	220uF	C1	1	VZT221M1CTR-0606ACS	Lelon	0.080	6.72
3	100nF	C2,C3,C4,C9,C10	5	CC1206KKX7R0BB104	YAGEO	0.012	1.01
4	105	C5,C8	2	CC1206KKX7R0BB104	YAGEO	0.012	1.01
5	102	C6,C7	2	CC1206KKX7R0BB104	YAGEO	0.012	1.01
6	1nF	C11	1	CC1206KKX7R0BB104	YAGEO	0.012	1.01
7	XKTF-N02-N	CARD	1	XKTF-N02-N	XKB Connectivity(中国星坤)	0.075	6.30
8	SM4007	D1	1	SM4007PL	MSKSEMI(美森科)	0.005	0.42
9	HLK-5M05	DC	1	HLK-5M05	HI-LINK(海凌科)	2.635	221.34
10	DHT11	DHT1	1	DHT11	广州奥松	1.173	98.53
11	X6511WV-19H-C30D60	H1	1	X6511WV-19H-C60D30	XKB Connection(中国星坤)	0.327	27.47
12	X6511WV-08H-C30D60	H2	1	X6511WV-08H-C60D30	XKB Connection(中国星坤)	0.116	9.74
13	X6511WV-10H-C30D60	H3	1	X6511WV-10H-C60D30	XKB Connection(中国星坤)	0.146	12.26
14	ACS770LCB-050B	I_SENSE	1	ACS770LCB-050B-PFF-T	ALLEGRO(美国埃戈罗)	6.787	570.11
15	SLC-05VDC	K1	1	SLC-05VDC-SL-A	松乐	0.781	65.60
16	XH-5A	LCD1	1	XH-5A	BOOMELE	0.013	1.09
17	PD333-3B/L3	LED1	1	PD333-3B/L3	EVERLIGHT(亿光)	0.106	8.90
18	WS2812B	LED2	1	WS2812B-XF02/W	worldsemi	0.053	4.45
19	HDR-M-2.54_1x1	L_IN,L_OUT,N,N1	4			0.007	0.59
20	3904	Q1	1	MMBT3904	GOODWORK(固得沃克)	0.006	0.50
21	3.3kΩ	R1,R2,R3,R4	4	RC1206JR-0710KL	YAGEO(国巨)	0.003	0.25
22	4.7kΩ	R5	1	RC1206JR-0710KL	YAGEO(国巨)	0.003	0.25
23	10kΩ	R6,R7,R10,R11,R14,R16,R17,R18,R19,R21,R23,R24	12	RC1206JR-0710KL	YAGEO(国巨)	0.003	0.25
24	1kΩ	R8	1	RC1206JR-0710KL	YAGEO(国巨)	0.003	0.25
25	10kΩ	R9,R22,R25	3	3296W-1-103	BOCHEN(博晨)	0.143	12.01
26	470Ω	R12	1	RC1206JR-0710KL	YAGEO(国巨)	0.003	0.25
27	100	R13	1	RC1206JR-0710KL	YAGEO(国巨)	0.003	0.25
28	100kΩ	R15,R20	2	RC1206JR-0710KL	YAGEO(国巨)	0.003	0.25
29	DS3231	RTC	1	DS3231SN#	MAXIM	2.975	249.90
30	LM393DR	U1,U2	2	LM393DR	TI(德州仪器)	0.054	4.54
31	74LVC125	U3	1	SN74LVC125APWR	TI(德州仪器)	0.179	15.04
32	LM358DT	U4	1	LM358DT	ST(意法半导体)	0.045	3.78
33	820kΩ	U5	1	RN-1/2W-820KΩ±2% T	CCO(千志电子)	0.036	3.02
34	HX3144	U8	1	HX3144ESO	HUAXIN(华芯)	0.224	18.82
35	SW-18015PZR-10G12B2	U9	1	SW-18015PZR-10G12B2	XKB Connectivity(中国星坤)	0.049	4.12
36	Arduino UNO R4 WIFI	U10	1				0.00
37	ZMPT107-1	V_SENSE	1	ZMPT107-1	择明朗熙	0.539	45.28
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## Designing the PCB of the Expansion Board



## Different components and sensors used in the customised Arduino Shield

### Expansion Board

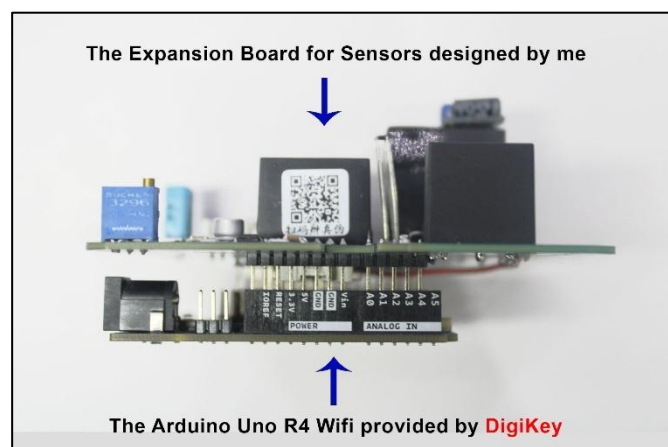


For my Smart AC Meter project, I chose a set of components that enhance the functionality, reliability, and safety of the device:

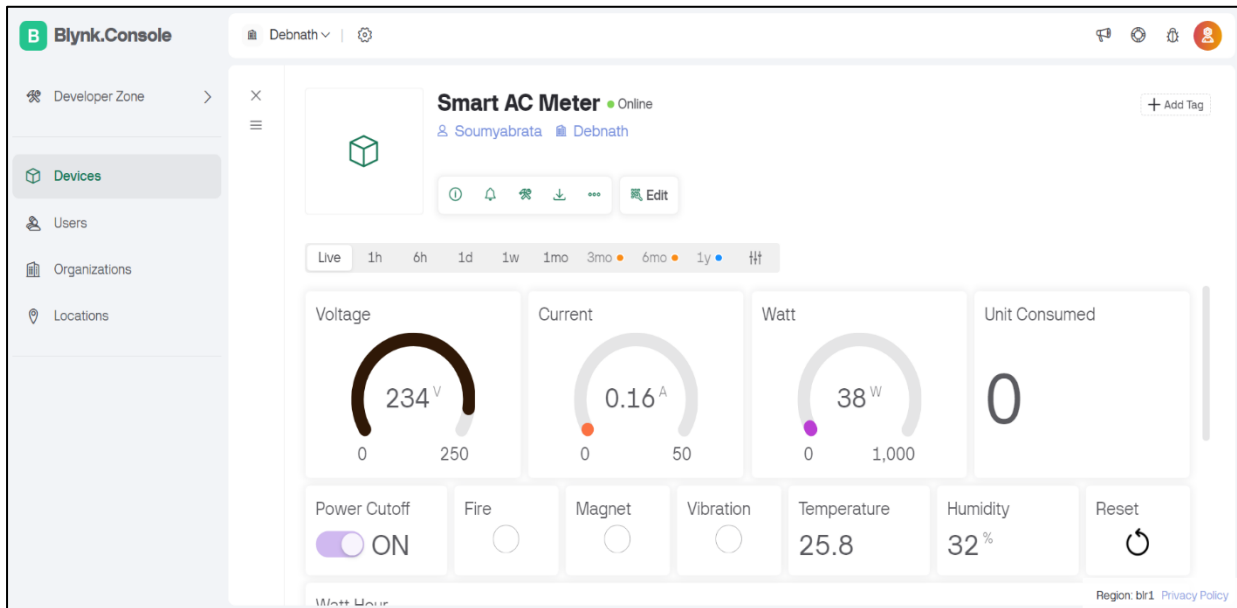
1. **Voltage Sensor Gain Set Preset:** This adjustable preset allows fine-tuning of the voltage sensor gain, ensuring accurate voltage measurements.
2. **Voltage Sensor Gain Set IC (LM358):** The LM358 operational amplifier is used to amplify the voltage signal, allowing for precise signal processing.
3. **AC–DC 5V Converter:** This converter transforms AC mains voltage into a stable 5V DC supply, powering the entire circuit safely and efficiently.
4. **Hall-Effect Magnetic Sensor (A3144):** This sensor detects magnetic fields, which can be useful for sensing magnetic interference or for anti-tampering applications within the meter.
5. **Voltage Sensing Transformer (ZMPT107):** The ZMPT107 transforms the AC mains voltage to a lower, measurable level, providing safe isolation and accuracy in voltage sensing.
6. **Flame Sensor LED:** This flame sensor detects a flame or fire hazards near the device.

7. **Flame Sensor Comparator IC (393):** The LM393 comparator processes the flame sensor signal, allowing for reliable flame detection in unsafe conditions.
8. **Current Sensor (ACS770LCB-050B):** This Hall-effect current sensor measures the AC current with high accuracy, essential for calculating power and energy consumption.
9. **Vibration Sensor (SW-18015):** This sensor detects vibrations, adding a layer of anti-tampering protection by automatically cutting power if abnormal shocks or knocks are sensed.
10. **Power Cutoff Relay:** The relay enables control of the power supply to the connected load, allowing automatic shutdowns in case of faults or non-payment of outstanding bills.
11. **RGB LED Indicator (WS2812B):** This RGB LED provides visual feedback on the meter's status, such as normal operation, alerts, or errors, using different colours.
12. **Real Time Clock (DS3231):** The DS3231 RTC keeps precise time, allowing the meter to log power usage accurately over time for better energy tracking.
13. **1602 Character LCD Connector:** The connector enables easy interfacing with a 1602 LCD, displaying real-time data such as voltage, current, and power usage.
14. **DHT11 Temperature & Humidity Sensor:** This sensor monitors the ambient temperature and humidity, useful for assessing environmental conditions around the meter.
15. **Micro SD Card Slot:** The SD card allows for data logging and backup, making it easy to store and analyse power usage history directly from the meter.

Each of these components adds functionality or improves the overall reliability of the Smart AC Meter, making it a versatile and powerful tool for monitoring energy usage.



## Blynk IOT Web Console and Dashboard



A Blynk console dashboard for the "Smart AC Meter," was created for the Power Supply Company. The dashboard is online and displays various real-time measurements and controls related to the smart meter:

- Voltage: Shows a reading of 234V, with a gauge ranging from 0 to 250.
- Current: Displays a reading of 0.16A, with a gauge ranging from 0 to 50.
- Wattage: Indicates power consumption at 38W, with a gauge ranging from 0 to 1,000.
- Unit Consumed: Displays the total energy consumed, currently at 0 units.
- Power Cutoff: A switch control "Power Cutoff" is toggled to ON, it has the ability to remotely control power.
- Sensors and Indicators:
  - Fire, Magnet, and Vibration sensors are shown as small indicators, all currently off.
  - Temperature is displayed as 25.8°C, and humidity as 32%.
- Reset: The button labelled as "Reset" is for resetting units consumed when it has maxed out.

The console includes a navigation menu on the left for accessing developer tools, devices, users, organizations, and locations. Tabs above the data allow time-based filtering for Live, 1h, 6h, 1d, and other options.

## Code and its explanation

```
/*  
Smart AC Meter V1.0  
Author - Soumyabrata Debnath (Electromaniac)  
*/  
#define BLYNK_TEMPLATE_ID "TMPL305u1Yyr5"  
#define BLYNK_TEMPLATE_NAME "Arduino Uno R4 Wifi"  
#define BLYNK_DEVICE_NAME "Smart AC Meter"  
#define BLYNK_AUTH_TOKEN "SYti1igmTZh5q-98muVFqt2absT2VoMX"
```

```
//Libraries Initialization  
//Wifi Specific  
#include <WiFiS3.h>  
#include <WiFiUdp.h>  
#include <NTPClient.h>  
#include <BlynkSimpleWifi.h>  
//Pheripherals Specific  
#include <SD.h>  
#include <SPI.h>  
#include <DHT.h>  
#include <Wire.h>  
#include <RTCLib.h>  
#include <EEPROM.h>  
#include <ZMPT101B.h>  
#include <Adafruit_NeoPixel.h>  
#include <LiquidCrystal_I2C.h>
```

```
//Pin Mappings
```

```
#define NC      0 //Rx  
#define NC      1 //Tx  
#define vbSense 2  
#define relayPin 3  
#define NC      4  
#define NC      5  
#define NC      6  
#define fSense  7  
#define NC      8  
#define tSense  9  
#define chipSelect 10  
#define MOSI    11  
#define MISO     12  
#define SCK      13  
#define vSense   14  
#define iSense   15  
#define mSense   16  
#define aLED     17  
#define NC      18 //SDA  
#define NC      19 //SCL
```

```
char auth[] = BLYNK_AUTH_TOKEN;  
char ssid[] = "Russo"; // WiFi SSID  
char pass[] = "0123456789"; // WiFi password
```

### **Blynk Template and Authentication**

**Token Declaration:** The Blynk template and authentication token are initialized at the beginning to enable secure cloud-based control and monitoring through the Blynk dashboard.

### **Required Libraries Declaration:**

All necessary libraries are included, such as for sensors, WiFi, SD card, Blynk, EEPROM, and other essential modules, ensuring the functionality of various components and data handling.

### **Defining Pins Connected to Sensors**

**and Components:** The pins for each sensor and component (like voltage, current, vibration sensors, relay, etc.) are assigned, allowing the microcontroller to interact with the external devices correctly.



```
//Peripherals Initialization
RTC_DS3231 rtc;
WiFiUDP ntpUDP;
BlynkTimer timer;
DHT dht(tSense, DHT11);
ZMPT101B voltageSensor(vSense, 50.0);
LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x27,16,2); // lcd(address,column,row)
Adafruit_NeoPixel strip = Adafruit_NeoPixel(1, aLED, NEO_GRB + NEO_KHZ800);
NTPTClient timeClient(ntpUDP, "pool.ntp.org", 19800, 60000); // India Timezone (GMT+5:30)
```

**Peripherals Initialization:** Initialization of peripherals, such as the LCD display and sensors, is done to set them up for communication and proper operation.

```
// Variables Declaration
    bool relayFlag = false;
    float voltageRMS = 0.0;
    float currentRMS = 0.0;
    float watt = 0.0;
    float eConsumed = 0.0; // Total energy consumed in kWh
    int unitCount = 0; // To track 1 kWh units
    bool data_saved = false; // Flag to ensure data is saved once at 9 AM
    int mState = HIGH; // Variable to store Hall sensor state
    int vbState = HIGH; // Variable to store Vibration sensor state
    int fState = HIGH; // Variable to store Flame sensor state
    int mStateFlag = 0; // Variable to store Hall sensor state
    int vbStateFlag = 0; // Variable to store Vibration sensor state
    int fStateFlag = 0; // Variable to store Flame sensor state
    int ledState = LOW; // LED on/off state
    const int unitAddr = 0; // EEPROM address to store unit count
    unsigned long lastTime = 0;
    unsigned long CprevMillis = 0; // Store the last time the function ran
```

**Variables Declaration:** Variables are declared to store data like voltage, current, power, and sensor readings, which will be used across different functions for calculations and data logging.

```
void send_vSense() {
    voltageRMS = voltageSensor.getRmsVoltage(100);
    Blynk.virtualWrite(V0, voltageRMS); // S
}

void send_iSense() {
    float isumOfSquares = 0.0;
    for(int i = 0; i < 1000; i++) {
        int isensorValue = analogRead(iSense); // Read sensor value
        float iVoltage = (isensorValue * 5000.0) / 4096.0; // Convert ADC value to voltage
        float current = (iVoltage - 2500) / 45.0; // Convert voltage to current
        isumOfSquares += current * current; // Square each current value and sum them up
    }
    float imeanOfSquares = isumOfSquares / 1000; //
    currentRMS = sqrt(imeanOfSquares); //
    if (currentRMS <= 0.1) {
        currentRMS = 0;
    }
    Blynk.virtualWrite(V1, currentRMS); // Send current to Blynk (virtual pin V1)
}
```

**Blynk Send Volt Function:** This function reads the voltage data from the voltage sensor and sends it to the Blynk dashboard for real-time monitoring.

**Blynk Send Current Function:** This function reads the current from the current sensor (ACS770) and sends it to the Blynk dashboard, displaying real-time current usage.

```
void send_watt() {
  watt = voltageRMS * currentRMS;
  Blynk.virtualWrite(V2, watt);
}
```

**Blynk Send Watt Function:** This function calculates power in watts by multiplying the voltage and current values, then sends the power data to Blynk for monitoring.

```
void send_unit() {
  Serial.println(unitCount);
  Blynk.virtualWrite(V3, unitCount);
}
```

**Blynk Send Unit Function:** The energy usage in kWh (units) is sent to Blynk, allowing the power supply company to monitor total energy consumption in units.

```
void send_tSense() {
  float t = dht.readTemperature() - 10;
  float h = dht.readHumidity();
  Serial.println(t);
  Serial.println(h);
  Blynk.virtualWrite(V4, t);
  Blynk.virtualWrite(V5, h);
}
```

// Read temperature in Celsius

**Blynk Send DHT11 Function:** This function reads temperature and humidity data from the DHT11 sensor and sends it to the Blynk dashboard, providing environmental monitoring.

```
void send_mSense() {
  mState = digitalRead(mSense); // Read hall sensor state
  if (mState == LOW) { // If a magnet is detected (hall sensor output LOW)
    digitalWrite(relayPin, LOW); // Turn relay off
    Serial.println("Magnet detected: Relay OFF");
    mStateFlag = 1;
    relayFlag = false;
    Blynk.virtualWrite(V9, relayFlag);
  }
  Serial.print("mState:");
  Serial.println(mState);
  Blynk.virtualWrite(V6, mStateFlag);
}
```

**Blynk Send Hall Effect Sensor Function:** The hall-effect sensor detects magnetic interference, which is monitored by sending data to the Blynk dashboard to ensure safe operation.

// Send hallState to Blynk

```
void send_vbSense() {
  vbState = digitalRead(vbSense); // Read vibration sensor state
  if (vbState == LOW) { // If a vibration is detected (vibration sensor output LOW)
    digitalWrite(relayPin, LOW); // Turn relay off
    Serial.println("Vibration detected: Relay OFF");
    vbStateFlag = 1;
    relayFlag = false;
    Blynk.virtualWrite(V9, relayFlag);
  }
  Serial.print("vbState:");
  Serial.println(vbState);
  Blynk.virtualWrite(V7, vbStateFlag);
}
```

**Blynk Send Vibration Sensor Function:** The vibration sensor function checks for any unusual vibration (e.g., from tampering or environmental factors) and sends an alert to the Blynk dashboard.

// Send vbState to Blynk

```
void send_fSense() {
  fState = digitalRead(fSense);
  if (fState == LOW) { // Assuming flame detected
    digitalWrite(relayPin, LOW); // Turn off relay
    Serial.println("Flame detected! Relay turned off.");
    fStateFlag = 1;
    relayFlag = false;
    Blynk.virtualWrite(V9, relayFlag);
  }
}
```

**Blynk Send Flame Detection Function:** If the flame sensor detects any fire hazard, this function alerts the power supply company via the Blynk dashboard, enhancing safety.

```

    }
    Serial.print("Flame State:");
    Serial.println(fState); // Print fState to serial monitor
    Blynk.virtualWrite(V8, fStateFlag); // Send fState to Blynk
}

BLYNK_WRITE(V9) {
    relayFlag = param.asInt(); // Update flag based on switch value from the dashboard
    Serial.print("Relay state changed from Blynk: ");
    Serial.println(relayFlag);
    if (relayFlag) {
        digitalWrite(relayPin, HIGH); // Turn
        mStateFlag = 0;
        vbStateFlag = 0;
        fStateFlag = 0;
    }
    else {
        digitalWrite(relayPin, LOW); // Turn
    }
}

```

**Blynk Power Cutoff Relay Function:** This function allows remote control of the relay through the Blynk dashboard, enabling power supply company to cut off power if needed, and includes two-way communication to update the relay state on both sides.

```

BLYNK_WRITE(V10) {
    int buttonState = param.asInt();
    if (buttonState == 1) { // B
        unitCount = 0; // R
        writeUnitCount(unitCount); // U
        Blynk.virtualWrite(V3, unitCount); // U
        Serial.println("Unit count reset to 0");
    }
}

```

**Blynk Power Unit Reset Function:** This function enables resetting the power usage (units) counter to zero through the Blynk dashboard, useful for monthly resets or monitoring periods.

```

void time_update() {
    timeClient.update(); // Upd
    unsigned long epochTime = timeClient.getEpochTime();
    DateTime currentTime = DateTime(epochTime);
    rtc.adjust(currentTime); // Se
    Serial.println("Time updated from NTP.");
}

```

**NTP Time Update Function:** The NTP (Network Time Protocol) function updates the current time from the internet, ensuring accurate time-stamped data for logging purposes.

```

void saveDataToCSV() {
    File dataFile = SD.open("units.csv", FILE_WRITE); // Open the file
    if (dataFile) {
        DateTime now = rtc.now();
        dataFile.print(now.year(), DEC);
        dataFile.print('/');
        dataFile.print(now.month(), DEC);
        dataFile.print('/');
        dataFile.print(now.day(), DEC);
        dataFile.print(",");
        dataFile.println(unitCount);
        dataFile.close(); // Close the file
        Serial.println("Data saved to SD card as CSV.");
    }
}

```

**SD Card Data Save Function:** This function saves relevant data (such as voltage, current, power, and time) to the SD card, creating a record of power usage over time.

```

else {
    Serial.println("Error opening file.");
}
}

```

```

void setLEDColour(int red, int green, int blue) {
    strip.setPixelColor(0, strip.Color(red, green, blue)); //
    strip.show(); //
}

```

### RGB Colour Settings Function:

This function sets the RGB LED colour based on different operating states, such as normal, alert, or error, providing a visual indicator of the system's status.

```

void writeUnitCount(int count) {
    byte lowByte = count & 0xFF;
    byte highByte = (count >> 8) & 0xFF;
    EEPROM.write(unitAddr, lowByte);
    EEPROM.write(unitAddr + 1, highByte);
}

```

**EEPROM Power Unit Read/Write Function:** The EEPROM function reads and writes power usage data to memory, ensuring that unit data persists across power cycles and resets.

```

int readUnitCount() {
    byte lowByte = EEPROM.read(unitAddr);
    byte highByte = EEPROM.read(unitAddr + 1);
    return (highByte << 8) | lowByte;
}

```

// Read upper byte from EEPROM  
// Combine the two bytes

```

void setup() {
    Serial.begin(9600);
    pinMode(iSense, INPUT);
    pinMode(fSense, INPUT);
    pinMode(vbSense, INPUT);
    pinMode(mSense, INPUT_PULLUP);
    pinMode(relayPin, OUTPUT);
    lcd.init();
    lcd.home();
    lcd.backlight();
    Wire.begin();
    rtc.begin();
    analogReadResolution(12);
    voltageSensor.setSensitivity(500.0);
    Blynk.begin(auth, ssid, pass);
    dht.begin();
    Blynk.syncVirtual(V9);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_vSense);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_iSense);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_watt);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_unit);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_tSense);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_mSense);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_vbSense);
    timer.setInterval(1000L, send_fSense);
}

```

**Main Setup:** The setup() function initializes all the components, connects to WiFi and Blynk, starts serial communication, and sets up timers and sensors, preparing the system for operation.

// Connect to Blynk  
// Initialize DHT sensor

// Send voltage data every 1 seconds  
// Send current data every 1 seconds  
// Send Watt data every 1 seconds  
// Send Unit counted every 1 seconds  
// Send T/H data every 1 seconds  
// Send Magnet data every 1 seconds  
// Send Vibration every 1 seconds  
// Send Flame data every 1 seconds

```

unitCount = readUnitCount(); // Retrieve last saved unit count from EEPROM
Serial.print("Restored Unit Count: ");
Serial.println(unitCount);
timeClient.begin();
time_update();
File dataFile = SD.open("units.csv", FILE_WRITE);
if (dataFile) {

```



```

        dataFile.println("Date,Units Consumed");
        dataFile.close();
    }
    strip.begin();
    strip.show();
    setLEDColour(0, 0, 10);
    delay(2000);
    setLEDColour(0, 0, 0);
}

void loop() {
    Blynk.run(); // Run Blynk
    timer.run(); // Run timer
    int state = digitalRead(relayPin);
    if (state == LOW){
        setLEDColour(20, 0, 0);
    }
    unsigned long currentTime = millis();
    if (currentTime - lastTime >= 1000) {
        lastTime = currentTime;
        float power = voltageRMS * currentRMS; // Instantaneous power in watts
        float energy = (power / 1000.0) / 3600.0; // Convert power to kWh over 1 second
        eConsumed += energy; // Accumulate energy consumed
        if (eConsumed >= 1.0) // Check if 1 unit has been consumed
        {
            unitCount += 1; // Increment 1 unit
            eConsumed -= 1.0; // Reset energy consumption by 1 kWh
            writeUnitCount(unitCount); // Store updated count in EEPROM
            Serial.print("1 Unit Consumed. Total Units: ");
            Serial.println(unitCount);
        }
        Serial.print("Voltage: ");
        Serial.print(voltageRMS);
        Serial.print("V, Current: ");
        Serial.print(currentRMS);
        Serial.print("A, Power: ");
        Serial.print(power);
        Serial.print("W, Energy: ");
        Serial.print(eConsumed);
        Serial.println(" kWh");
        lcd.init();
        lcd.clear();
        lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
        lcd.print(voltageRMS,0);
        lcd.print("V");
        lcd.setCursor(5, 0);
        lcd.print(currentRMS,2);
        lcd.print("A");
        lcd.setCursor(11, 0);
        lcd.print(power,0);
        lcd.print("W");
        lcd.setCursor(0, 1);
        if (state == LOW){
            lcd.print("Cutoff");
        }
    }
}

```

// Add a header row

// Initialize the strip

// Initialize all pixels to 'off'

// Keep it on for 2 seconds

### Power Calculation in kWh and Units Consumed:

Calculates the power in kilowatt-hours and updates the total units consumed, storing this data for usage tracking.

### LCD Display Print:

Displays the current voltage, current, power, and units consumed on the LCD, providing an easy-to-read interface.

```

else{
    lcd.print(eConsumed,3);
    lcd.print("kWh");
}
int unitPosition = 15 - String(unitCount).length();
lcd.setCursor(unitPosition, 1);
lcd.print(unitCount);
lcd.print("U");
}
unsigned long currentMillis = millis();
static unsigned long previousMillis = 0;
static unsigned long ledOnMillis = 0;
static bool ledState = LOW;
if (watt > 0){
    int flashDelay = map(watt, 0, 5000, 2000, 100);
    if (currentMillis - previousMillis >= flashDelay) {
        previousMillis = currentMillis;
        if (ledState == LOW) {
            setLEDColour(0, 20, 0);           // Set LED to red
            ledState = HIGH;
            ledOnMillis = currentMillis;       // Record the time LED turned on
        }
    }
    if (ledState == HIGH && (currentMillis - ledOnMillis >= 100)) {
        setLEDColour(0, 0, 0);               // Turn off LED
        ledState = LOW;
    }
}
if (watt <= 0 && state == HIGH){
    setLEDColour(0, 0, 0);
}
}
if (currentMillis - CprevMillis >= 60000) {
    CprevMillis = currentMillis;              // Save the last time the function was called
    time_update();                            // Run the time update function
}
DateTime now = rtc.now();                    // Get current time from RTC
if (now.hour() == 9 && now.minute() == 0 && now.second() == 0 && !data_saved) {
    saveDataToCSV();                          // Save data to SD card
    data_saved = true;                        // Ensure data is saved only once at 9am
}
if (now.hour() != 9) {
    data_saved = false;
}
}

```

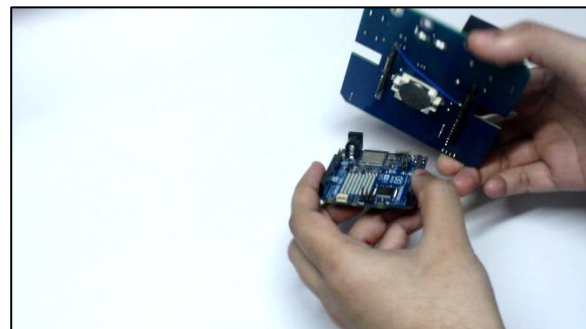
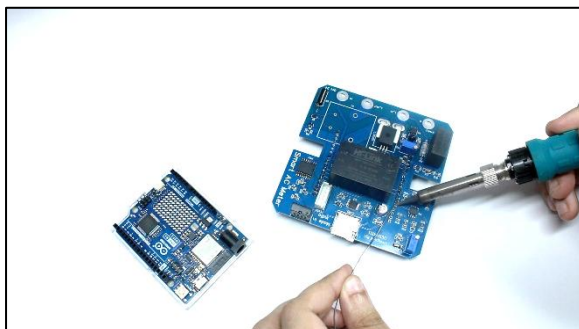
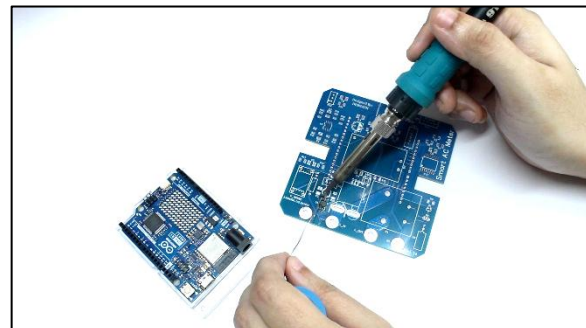
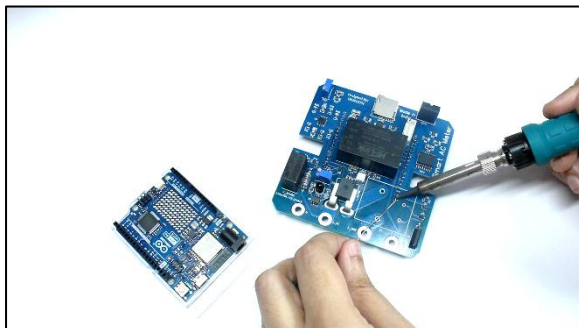
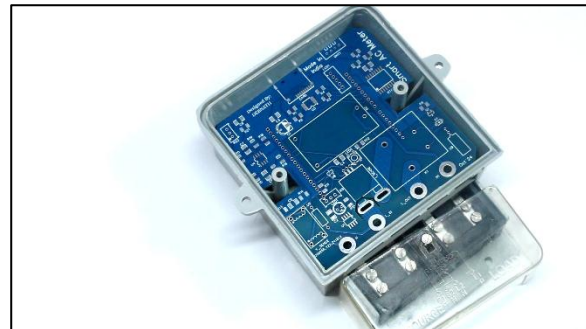
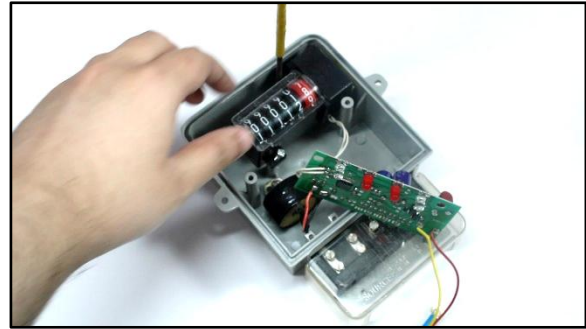
### RGB Blink Frequency Function According to Watts Consumed:

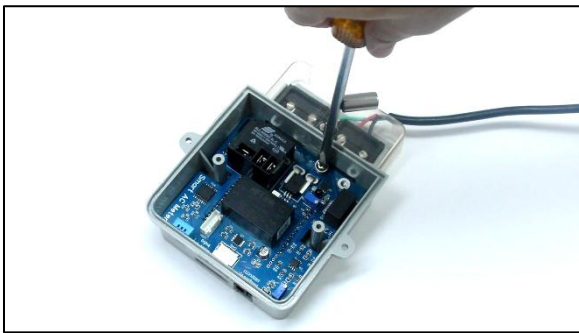
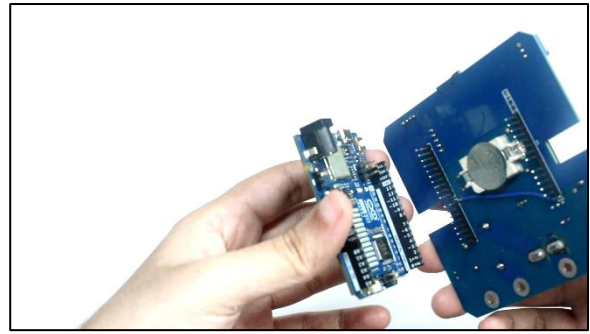
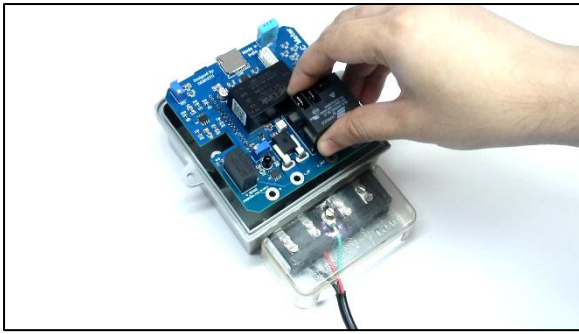
Adjusts the RGB LED blinking frequency based on power consumption, offering visual feedback on energy usage.

### Time Update and SD Card Save

**Schedule:** Periodically updates the time using NTP and saves the collected data to the SD card, ensuring accurate data logging and tracking.

**Some pictures from during the construction of the project**







## Working Demonstration and Results



I have thoroughly demonstrated the working of the Smart AC meter in my attached video. Kindly watch the video to have a clear idea about how it works and functions.