

# Gas Leakage Detection System Using IOT

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**Abstract**—Internet of Things - the worldwide network including sensors, actuators, and other smart devices that exchange and share data in a real-time manner over the web. Such devices will gather, transmit, and retrieve information using components like sensors, actuators and other technologies, as well as provide the ability to open up a line of communication with the environment and perform operations either manually or in response to commands. This project uses IoT to study the gas leakage detection by setting off an automatic alert to the provided e-mail address based on the data logged by the sensors attached to NodeMCU using the ESP8266 Wi-Fi module. This will enable people to be able to safeguard their lives by knowing immediately the amount of gas levels with the possibility of any gas leakages. This system is made to work together with NodeMCU (ESP8266), a microcontroller that when teamed with the air quality sensor or gas sensors can measure the air quality in the environment delivering information about the gas in the air. NodeMCU will then forward an email that reads these details like the type of gas that specifically was detected by the sensor, the current quantity of the gas present in the area and location of the instrument once the gas concentration in surroundings overcomes the threshold which is already set. This project presents the economic method of testing a gas, which allows to choose the most appropriate places for the detectors, i.e. the working areas of organizations, homes and other spaces that can pose a threat to people's health in case the gas is leaked.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Gas leaks represent great danger which is very high especially when one looks at locations where flammable as well as toxic gases are. Conventional gas detector techniques fails to give prompt responses and do not cover the comprehensive area required. The use of the internet of things (IoT) technology heightens gas detection by pointing out the real time, automatic and remote monitoring, increasing the safety of workers through a timely and precise alert.

The IoT integration in gas detection systems is the solution to these vital safety challenges, by speeding and increasing the quality of response to gas leakages. Instant alerts thanks to IoT are important features allowing for prompt interventions, and this is a crucial aspect of the prevention of critical occurrences as well as addressing health issues.

The utilization of the IoT-based gas detection systems relying on the top-of-the-line sensors and microcontrollers,

such as the NodeMCU ESP8266, allows these devices to track gas levels which are continuously changing. These systems to allow data gathering through sensors, connectivity management, and issuing alerts when noxious gas becomes dangerous helping to make response faster and monitoring systems reliable.

## II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Gas leakage detection systems are among the most advanced technological approaches which have been improved from the traditional means to the Internet of Things(IoT)-based technologies. The previous designs mainly included the electronic noses, semiconductor sensors, and electrochemical cell which individuals were able to make basic detection but lacked the ability to adapt to the variability of the environment [Smith, 2010]. Development of the sensor technology, particularly through deployment of the metal oxide catalytic gas sensors, shows capacity to promptly respond to different gases such as carbon monoxide, methane, and propane. [Jones et al., 2015]. Although huge natural progress occurred in this field, there still exist some challenges like sensor calibration and environmental interference attending to which you ought to carry on the investigations of improving sensor accuracy by means of techniques like environment compensation algorithms and adaptive thresholding(according to Greenwood,2018).

The integration of IoT technology in gas detection systems makes transformations in the field, networking remotes sensors as well as automated communication and data analysing taking place. Microcontrollers as wired, such as the ESP8266 modules, simplify data management and internet connectivity and therefore provide complex remote data analytics and decision making [Liu and Wang, 2019]. Efficient data transmission protocols such as MQTT and HTTP are imperative when it comes to optimizing data communication and getting prompt alerts [Wang, 2020]. Cases of implementation for the IoT systems in the industrial and residential setting have proved that there is real-time monitoring and alerting provided, which consequently leads to a drastic decrease in the chances of accidents taking place [Kumar and Patel 2021; Morris 2022]. Although lives are still facing some problems of power usage, sensor lifetime and security on network systems, the future

research may will focus more on including AI and ML for improvement of prophylactic maintenance and fault detection.

### III. GAS LEAKAGE DETECTION TECHNIQUES USED

1. Sensor Integration: The project makes use of an air quality or a gas sensor like the MQ series sensors that are widely employed for detecting different patterns of gases. They are based on the principle of changing the resistance in light of gas concentration in the air. They are cost effective and have good selectivity for many gases, which is desirable features for this application.

2. Data Processing with NodeMCU (ESP8266): The NodeMCU ESP8266 is the brain of the system. It reads the analog output coming from the gas sensor and transfers the data to digital by its inbuilt Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC). The microcontroller reprogramming process is executed by means of the Arduino IDE software, which offers a simple design and integration of sensor data processing algorithms.

3. Email Notification System: Program the NodeMCU to get email notification from SMTP server by means of its Wi-Fi connection. SMTP Client for Arduino is used to send emails which carries out the email sending process by itself. This arrangement is envisioned to enable NodeMCU to send email alerts which are comprised of details related to the gas leak.

4. Threshold Settings: Threshold settings being the basics, these are used to identify when the alert should be activated. These settings are user-defined and can be set to meet the gas detection needs of specific environments. The thresholds are usually set as a function of safety standards and gas parameters of those gases determined to be monitored.

5. Network Connectivity: By means of Wi-Fi, the NodeMCU ESP8266 establishes the world of internet that allows the transmission of sensor information and reception of commands or notifications remotely. Such connectivity is necessary for prompt and accurate gas leak monitoring, which, in turn enables the communication of the data to persons concerned.

### IV. COMPONENTS USED

1. NodeMCU (ESP8266): The NodeMCU development board is very popular and OK play queenbased on the ESP8266 Wi-Fi module. Digitalize this sentence: It has integrated microcontroller unit and Wi-Fi functionality that can be used in the Internet of Things applications. On the other hand, the NodeMCU will be utilized as the principal controller. It runs the sensor's data acquisition, works the processing step, and arranges the communication with the email server to send the message. Also, it handles the Wi-Fi for network capability.

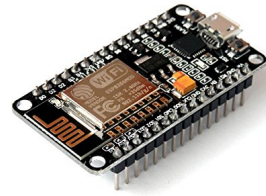


Fig. 1. NodeMCU (ESP8266)

2. MQ Series Gas Sensor (e.g., MQ-2, MQ-5, etc.): MQ Series Gas Sensor (e.g., MQ-2, MQ-5, etc.): The MQ series sensors are with the idea the major used for detection of different gases. They operate according to the Sorption of gases on a specific sensitive layer resulting in current breakage.

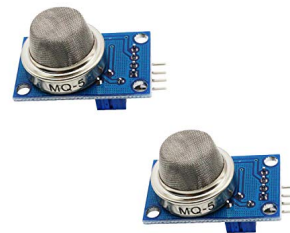


Fig. 2. MQ5 Gas Sensor

Gas sensor is the main tool provided with the ability to take a gas level reading in the atmosphere. It offers analog fittingly proportional to the amount of gas thus enabling NodeMCU to process it read the amount.

3. Jumper Wires: Jumper wires are a way to establish an electrical connection between components on a breadboard or between the various components existing in a circuit. Jumper wires are utilised in this (the) project for the purpose of attaching the gas sensor to the NodeMCU and for making the required electrical connections as the circuit would not function otherwise.

4. Breadboard: A breadboard is a prototyping device also made of elements as you can easily create a temporary circuit without needing to solder. The breadboard is the place where components are stood and linked for same system of gas detection. This printer rallies also the circuit building together and it makes the modifications simpler

5. USB Cable for NodeMCU: Customer also accessorizes with a standard USB cable that connects the board to a power source and to a computer for programming. The USB cable is utilized to power up the NodeMCU and to run the program code that is stored on the microcontroller chip with the help of the Arduino IDE software.

6. Computer with Arduino IDE Installed: By the virtue of the Arduino IDE (Integrated Development Environment) which is the software used for programming the Arduino

microcontroller boards, you can learn even more about the concept of programming something to work for you. The laptop that is having the Arduino IDE installed is employed to write, to upload, to debug, and handles the project code that runs on the NodeMCU. Logic creation is key for developing the software working on the system.

## V. METHODOLOGY

The process of designing an IoT-based gas detection system with NodeMCU (ESP8266) involves the following major sequences. First, lay out the required components and build up the hardware, which is tying the gas sensor to the NodeMCU. Go ahead and get the work done. By working with the Arduino IDE and calibrating your sensor if needed and then write the code needed to read sensor data to send email notifications when gas levels exceed defined thresholds. The system should be tried for a gas leak situation and promptly send notification messages to the system containing the relevant information through email. Following the successful testing, it is time for operation to start up and to monitor it quite regularly in case of any abnormalities or failures. Think about the next features possibly making other sensors operational and creating a mobile application for remote magnification and regulation. Granted, this methodology points towards a holistic way of developing a cutting edge IoT-based gas detection system that will be very useful in ensuring safety in various surroundings.

## VI. WORKING PRINCIPLE

The core idea of the smart TV-activated gas detecting system using NodeMCU (esp8266) revolves consistently around alerting and monitoring its processing. The sensor associated with NodeMCU is able to measure the amount of gas in air by virtue of being always connected to it. This sensor function runs on the factor of resistance or conductivity changes when exposed to different gases with a direct consequent of precisely determining and quantifying gas concentrations.

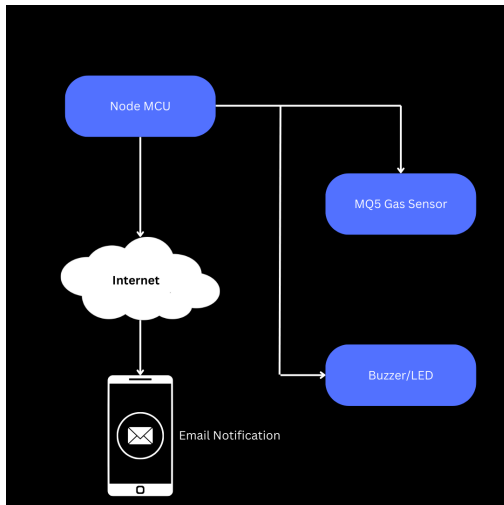


Fig. 3. Setup showing the working principle of MQ-5 sensor

The NodeMCU looks up the sensor values at regular intervals and holds them against predefined stepping thresholds. If the level of gas concentration surpasses the threshold agrees with the fact of gas leak, the NodeMCU switches on the alert system. This alert, sent via email through the Wi-Fi capabilities of the NodeMCU and an SMTP server for sending emails, is the first step in developing a fully functional outdoor temperature monitoring and alert system.

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1 #include <ESP8266WiFi.h>
2 #include <WiFiClientSecure.h>
3 #include <Base64.h>
4 #define LED 2
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6
7
8 const char* ssid = "SpectrumSetup-E5";
9 const char* password = "widetruck662";
10
11 const char* email_server = "smtp.gmail.com";
12 const int email_port = 465; // Use 465 for SSL
13 const char* email_address = "gasleakage96@gmail.com";
14 const char* email_password = "IOTHardware@123";
15
16 WiFiClientSecure client;
17
18 void setup() {
19   Serial.begin(9200);
20
21   pinMode(LED, OUTPUT);
22
23   // Connect to Wifi
24   WiFi.begin(ssid, password);
25   while (WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED) {
26     delay(1000);
27     Serial.println("Connecting to Wifi...");
28   }
29   Serial.println("connected to Wifi!");
30 }
  
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Fig. 4. Snippet showing the code used for NodeMCU

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31 Serial.println("Connected to Wifi!");
32 // Initialize SMTP connection
33 client.setTimeout(10);
34 client.connect(email_server, email_port);
35 if (!client.connected()) {
36   Serial.println("Failed to connect to email server");
37   return;
38 }
39 Serial.println("Connected to email server");
40 // Send email
41 sendEmail("Subject: Arduino Alert!Value from A0 pin: ");
42
43 void loop() {
44   // Read value from A0 pin
45   int sensorValue = analogRead(A0);
46
47   if (sensorValue > 400) {
48     digitalWrite(LED, HIGH);
49   } else {
50     digitalWrite(LED, LOW);
51   }
52
53   // Check if the value exceeds a threshold
54   if (sensorValue > 400) {
55     sendEmail("Subject: Arduino Alert!Value from A0 pin exceeded threshold: " + String(sensorValue));
56     delay(10000); // wait 10 seconds before sending another email
57   }
58 }
  
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Fig. 5. Snippet showing the code used for Email Notification

The email alert communicates the main data which include the type of the detected gas followed by the current gas concentration as well as the location of the sensor. This information, presented in the highly visual detail, gives the recipients a chance to do it right now, such as evacuating the place or doing something to mitigate the leak. In general, the system operation is based on continual monitoring, perceiving thresholds, and warning immediately thanks to combination of the Internet of Things, the NodeMCU, and gas sensor.

## VII. RESULTS AND CONCLUSION

The results of the IoT prototype for gas detection confirmed that the system successfully monitored gas levels, in real-time, and promptly alerted with email notifications whenever

gas concentrations exceeded the predefined threshold values. Capability of this system to accurately detect gas leaks and give prompt warnings to the environment indicates its capacity to improve safety for the environment.

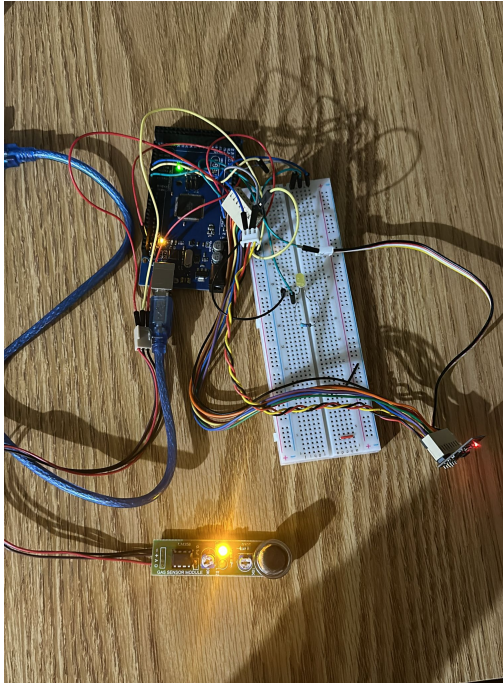


Fig. 6. LED is off when there is no Gas

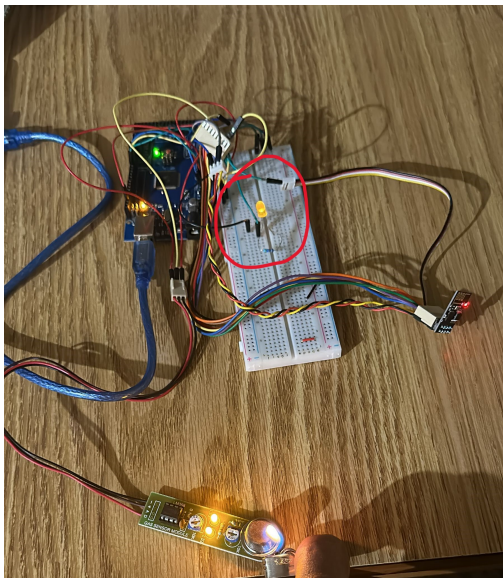


Fig. 7. LED is on, when gas is detected

In brief, such system solves the problem of continuous gas monitoring by providing cost-effective and efficient way with use of IoT-based gas detection system using NodeMCU (ESP8266). Utilizing IOT technology, the system offer real-time surveillance as well as instant notifications, helping to

implement effective immediate response to gas contamination issue. Future modifications like getting additional sensors and creating a smartphone application for the remote monitoring can greatly improve system functionality and safety security measures. The system has a potential to be the main player in safety standard upgrades both in industries, homes, and close spaces that could become dangerous for gas leaks.

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