

COVID19 Live Data Tracker and Alert System

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Abstract -- COVID19 is a novel coronavirus disease that causes illnesses ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases. It had a devastative effect on humanity worldwide resulting in the complete disruption of normal life. Due to its effect on humanity COVID19 was declared a pandemic by World Health Organisation in March 2020. The pandemic is far from over and we are in need of a cautious yet systematic approach in order to minimize its effect and spread in near future. In order to aid the process of systematic governance, we are trying to implement a COVID19 Live tracker and alert system that informs a user about the current situation of the pandemic in his/her locality. While we display the real-time data to our users, we also alert them to strengthen their precautionary measures when the number of cases exceeds a given total. We have also demonstrated the working of a social distance detector which could come in handy to enforce the globally accepted 6-feet distance rule of minimizing COVID spread.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Our proposed model for live tracking the COVID data involves using the real time data as uploaded by common and reliable website sources. We are scraping the data of use, that involves counts such as total cases of a particular state or active cases of a particular state, etc. We then pass this data to our LCD using a Wi-Fi module of NodeMCU(ESP8266) and display it to our users.

The alert system works on a simple if and else condition. Similar to a tracking system, we parse in the active number of active cases, of a particular state, as our conditional statement. We also fix a threshold value that acts as an indicator to our alert system and if the threshold limit is breached by the active number of cases, we activate the alert systems.

The social distance detector uses an ultrasonic distance sensor to find the range of another being within 6-feet and it comes with an added buzzer that turns on when the distance is less than 6-feet.

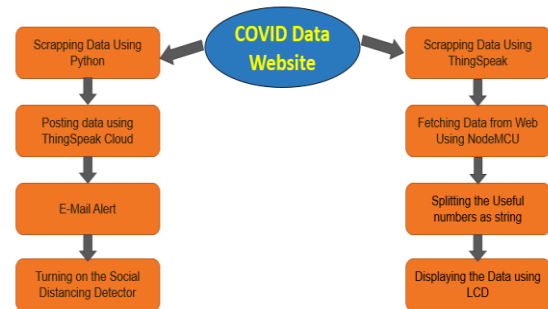
II. DRAWBACKS IN EXISTING SYSTEM

The existing approaches of this particular type of project includes live weather tracking that update once a day. Our project is more robust as it shows us the live count as soon as it is updated in the source webpage. Not only this, the existing system use cloud servers which renders the data with some delay. We have tried to minimize the data fetching by using ThingSpeak API. We have thus tried to improve the speed of data rendering in our project. The pre-existing project which involved health monitoring system needed a manual update once in a while through their equipment, while our project being robust fetches real time data and is fully automated with the help of python script that automatically scrapes a particular page for us. The papers proposed above involves various parameter checks which make the project expensive. The parameter checks are not necessary in our idea as we are scraping a free web page and need no input reading from microcontroller's environment and hence offer a very low price for the same service offered in the papers referred.

III. PROPOSED WORK

There is exists no paper that proposes the data tracking of Coronavirus cases. The existing approaches included health monitoring system or weather applications. This clearly suggests that the idea of our project is relatively novel and new. The other thing that we have added on to our project is the alert system. The alert generally finds its use in burglary alarm system, but we have used the same idea to be implemented in this case of detecting coronavirus cases. Finally, we have also demonstrated the working of social distance detector which is completely new to this field. The distance detector is used in automated robotic systems like self-driving cars or industrial robots. We have used the same approach to make our social distance detector by adding a limit of 6-feet and adding a buzzer to it. This gives a completely new dimension to our COVID19 Live tracker and alert system.

IV. BLOCK DIAGRAM



V. IMPLEMENTATION

A. Live Data Tracker:

The live count is fetched from Zee news' official website. The Scrapped data is auto-updated in ThingSpeak Cloud. The Arduino is coded in an online editor and then is burned with our NodeMCU. The LCD is connected with our NodeMCU to display our live data.

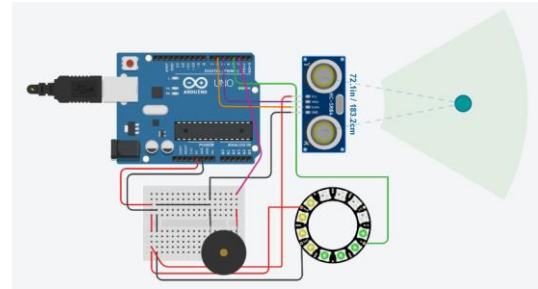
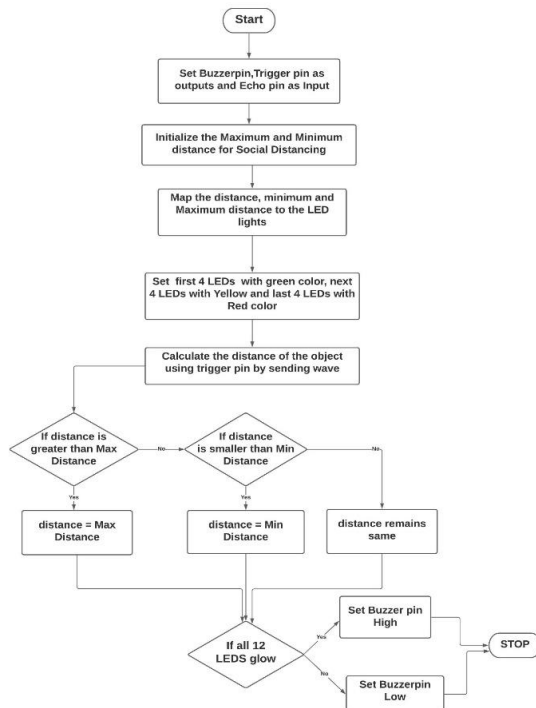
B. E-mail Alert System:

The electronic mail system employs coding in MATLAB. The implementation is done using conditional branching in MATLAB. The number of active cases is considered and based on it an alert is sent to the fed email address of user.

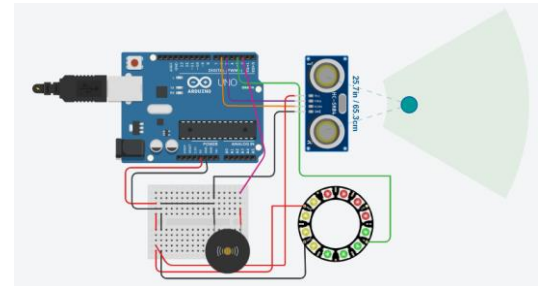
C. Social Distance Detector:

The software simulation of social distance detector is demonstrated using Tinkercad. It uses ultraviolet sensors that detect the distance if a particular object enters its range. It is added with a buzzer which starts when the range is less than the specified limit.

Flow Chart:

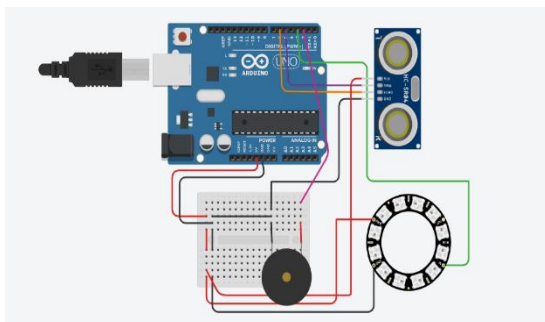


When the distance is still fine but just in range of 6-feet



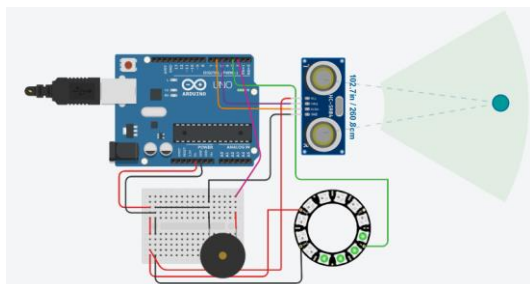
When distance is less than 6-feet

Pin Diagram



VI. RESULTS

A. Social Distance Detector:



When social distance is maintained

B. Live Counter

Live cases, recovers, deaths and active cases from each state will be displayed in the LCD that is connected.



Total Cases in Maharashtra

The total number of Cases in Maharashtra are displayed in the LCD from Thingspeak cloud



Total Recovered Cases in Maharashtra



Total Cases in Tamil Nadu



Number of Active Cases in Maharashtra

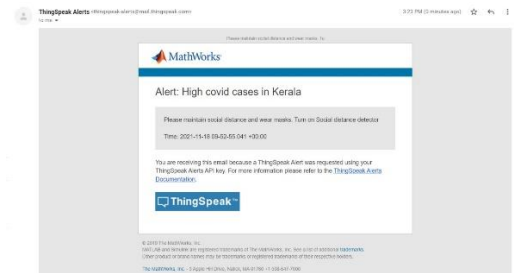


Total Deaths in Maharashtra

Total number of recovered cases ,Active cases and Deaths in Maharashtra are displayed in LCD. All the data is displayed with an interval of 5seconds. After every 5 seconds it will show new information on the LCD screen.

These are Total Number of cases in Tamil Nadu. Similarly we can also display the cases from various states.

C. E-Mail Alert:



E-mail Alert

An alert email will be sent to the registered Email-Ids , whenever there is an increase in Covid cases in their State.

VII. CONCLUSION

Hence, We have successfully Implemented a Live Covid Tracker with an Email Alert System . And also showed the live count as soon as it is updated in the source webpage in a LCD which is connected with our NodeMCU to display our live data. We also implemented a Social Distance Detector which detects if social distance is maintained or not and glow LEDs based on the distance and also give an alert buzzer if the distance goes less than min distance.

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