

Smart Water Management and Drainage Monitoring System

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Abstract—The Drainage Control and Water Monitoring System is a comprehensive solution designed to enhance the efficiency and reliability of urban water management. In the pursuit of developing smart cities, a critical aspect is the effective monitoring and control of drainage systems. This project addresses the need for a robust infrastructure by implementing advanced technology to detect, maintain, and manage underground drainage systems. Key features include real-time water quality monitoring, early detection of leaks and bursts in the distribution network, and efficient management of underground infrastructure. The system incorporates safety measures for workers, assessing environmental conditions such as gas presence and temperature suitability. By focusing on these aspects, the project aims to contribute to creating sustainable and resilient cities, ensuring the provision of clean and safe water while minimizing environmental impact.

Index Terms—Arduino UNO, Water level detector, LCD, RFID Tags

I. INTRODUCTION

In the ever-evolving landscape of urban infrastructure, integrating cutting-edge technologies is paramount to addressing the challenges posed by drainage systems and water monitoring [1]. The "Drainage Control and Water Monitoring System using ARDUINO UNO, RFID Tags, and LCD" presents an innovative and comprehensive solution that leverages the synergies of these technologies [2].

The project envisions a smart and efficient system designed to monitor and control drainage networks in real time [3]. By incorporating ARDUINO UNO, a versatile and widely adopted microcontroller, along with RFID (Radio-Frequency Identification) tags and an LCD, the system aims to provide a holistic approach to urban water management [4].

Utilizing ARDUINO UNO as the core controller, the system integrates RFID technology for efficient identification and tracking of various components

within the drainage network

[5] [6]. The LCD acts as an intuitive interface, offering real-time information on water levels, blockages, and system status. This integration of technologies not only enhances the monitoring capabilities of the system but also allows for seamless communication and control [7] [8].

The project's significance lies in its potential to revolutionize the way cities manage water resources, prevent contamination, and ensure the smooth operation of drainage systems [9]. The adaptability of ARDUINO UNO, coupled with the precision of RFID tags and the user-friendly display provided by the LCD, promises a scalable and effective solution for municipalities and urban planners, paving the way for smarter and more sustainable cities [10] [11].

II. PROPOSED DESIGN

The inadequacies of the current drainage systems present considerable challenges, particularly in their lack of technological sophistication [12] [13]. The absence of high-tech features results in a cumbersome process when blockages occur, as pinpointing the precise location of the obstruction becomes a formidable task. Moreover, the absence of early alerts exacerbates the issue, leading to delayed detection and repair of blockages. This time-consuming process

poses a significant inconvenience, especially when pipes are completely blocked, creating a pressing need for more efficient and responsive solutions. The failure of drainage lines to incorporate advanced technologies contributes to a myriad of problems for individuals and communities, underscoring the urgent need for innovative approaches to address these longstanding issues.

In pursuit of a more sophisticated drainage control system, we've crafted a comprehensive circuit that

harnesses the power of cutting-edge components. The inclusion of RFID tags in our design stands out as a strategic move, allowing for precise identification and tracking within the drainage network. These tags act as intelligent markers, aiding in the seamless management of the system. The LCD serves as the user interface, providing real-time feedback and a visual representation of critical data. It acts as the eyes of the system, ensuring that operators can monitor and interpret information effectively.

To facilitate connectivity and prototyping, incorporated a breadboard and jumper wires into the circuit. These components not only streamline the construction of the system but also enable flexibility for modifications and troubleshooting. The use of an Arduino Uno as the central processing unit adds a layer of intelligence to our drainage control system. This microcontroller is programmed to interpret data from various sources, including RFID tags, rain detectors, and waterlevel detectors. It then executes predefined actions, such as issuing alerts or implementing adjustments to the drainage infrastructure.

The integration of a rain detector and a water level detector is a key feature in our circuit. The rain detector acts as a sentinel, identifying external factors such as rainfall that could impact the drainage system's performance. Simultaneously, the water level detector diligently monitors the internal conditions of the pipes, signaling any irregularities or blockages. This dual-sensing mechanism ensures that the system remains proactive in identifying potential issues before they escalate.

The designed circuit represents a significant leap forward in drainage control technology. By combining RFID technology, LCDs, Arduino Uno intelligence, and advanced detectors, we aim to revolutionize the efficiency and responsiveness of drainage systems, ultimately mitigating problems and providing a more reliable and user-friendly solution for communities facing drainage challenges.

A. Hardware Specification

1) *Aurdino UNO*: The Arduino Uno is a versatile microcontroller board designed for various electronic projects. It is based on the ATmega328P microcontroller and offers a user-friendly platform for both beginners and experienced developers. The board features 14 digital input/output pins, 6 analog inputs, a USB connection for programming and power, and a power jack. The ATmega328P operates at 16MHz, providing sufficient processing power for a wide range of applications. The Arduino Uno is programmed using the Arduino Software efficient memory management and optimizing code for speed enhances the overall performance of the LCD system. In summary, the software specifications for an LCD are crucial for orchestrating the seamless interaction between the microcontroller and the visual output, contributing to a user- friendly and responsive display interface.

like real-time simulation, component libraries, and the ability to visualize signal flow and voltage levels. Additionally, the software specifications may involve compatibility with various microcontrollers and sensors, enabling users to simulate and validate complex electronic systems. Overall, the software for breadboards and jumper wires serves as a valuable tool in the virtual prototyping phase, facilitating experimentation and innovation in electronics projects.

B. Software Specification

The Arduino IDE, currently at Version 1.8.20, serves as a fundamental software platform for programming Arduino microcontrollers. It provides a user-friendly interface for writing, compiling, and uploading code to Arduino boards. This latest version likely includes bug fixes, improvements, and possibly new features, enhancing the overall development experience.

In the realm of hardware interaction, the MFRC522 Library plays a significant role. This library is specifically designed for RFID (Radio-Frequency Identification) modules such as the MFRC522, enabling seamless integration into Arduino projects. RFID technology facilitates contactless communication and is commonly used in applications like access control systems and electronic payment.

On the other hand, the HTTPS Redirect Library suggests a focus on internet connectivity and secure communication. This library could be instrumental in projects involving the redirection of web traffic from HTTP to the more secure HTTPS protocol. This emphasis on security aligns with contemporary best practices for web communication, especially when dealing with sensitive data.

The combination of the Arduino IDE and these specialized libraries underscores the versatility of Arduino in catering to a broad spectrum of projects. Whether it's RFID-based applications or secure web communication, the tools provided by the Arduino ecosystem empower developers to create innovative solutions within the context of embedded systems and the Internet of Things (IoT).

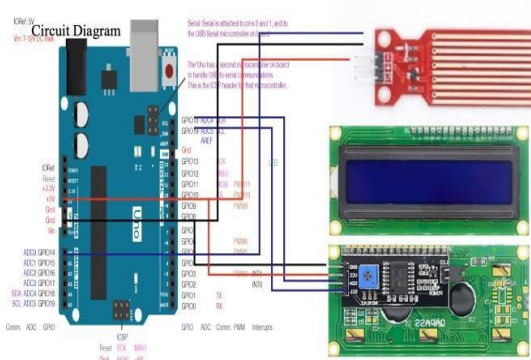


Fig. 1. Circuit Diagram of the proposed system

C. Working

In the intricacies of its operational design, the Arduino-driven system stands out for its meticulous attention to user interaction and environmental adaptability. As the Arduino initializes the circuit, loading necessary libraries, and setting the LCD to OFF, it not only lays the groundwork for functionality but also provides a visual cue to the user.

The LCD becomes a dynamic interface, relaying essential messages during system initialization, ensuring users are kept informed about the ongoing processes. Simultaneously, the display serves as a real-time status indicator, presenting a snapshot of the current state where all four devices remain OFF.

A standout feature is the system's astute handling of water levels. Discerning when water is present, prevents necessary information display, preserving clarity. Conversely, in the event of an empty tank, the system proactively communicates this critical information, serving as an alert for prompt user intervention.

The system's adaptability to environmental conditions adds another layer of sophistication. The rain sensor, a crucial component, ensures that during precipitation, the system takes preventive action by shutting down the motor. This foresighted approach safeguards against potential issues related to excessive water intake during rainy spells, highlighting the system's robust design.

Full tank capacity triggers a user-friendly notification on the LCD, offering manual control to turn off the motor. Conversely, when water levels fall below capacity, the system autonomously responds by turning off the motor. This intelligent automation not only streamlines operations but also provides an efficient, hands-free solution to drainage management.

In essence, the system's workflow is a testament to its responsive, user-centric design. The seamless integration of diverse sensors and the Arduino's intelligence ensures optimal functionality, making it adept at addressing various scenarios. This comprehensive and dynamic approach positions the system as a reliable and efficient solution for intelligent water management.

D. Flow Chart (Diagram)

The drainage control system initiates its operation upon receiving power, with the Arduino UNO serving as the central command unit. The Arduino efficiently loads crucial libraries, instructing the LCD to assume the OFF position at the system's inception. As the system comes to life, the LCD dynamically presents initial messages and establishes a baseline state by showcasing OFF indicators for all four devices.

The intelligence embedded within the Arduino performs a pivotal role, actively assessing the water level. When water is detected, corresponding levels are promptly displayed on the LCD. In the event of an empty tank, the system responds by generating a critically low water prompt, providing timely feedback to the user.

This system is attuned to environmental dynamics as well. A specialized rain detection sensor works in tandem

with the Arduino's intelligence, facilitating motor shutdown during precipitation. This preemptive measure safeguards against issues stemming from excessive water intake, ensuring the system's stability.



Fig. 2. Flow Chart

The user is kept informed through the LCD, which notifies them when the tank reaches full capacity. At this juncture, the user is granted the option for manual motor control, offering flexibility in system management. Conversely, if the water level falls short of the full capacity, the system's implemented code autonomously engages motor shutdown, streamlining the drainage management process with an automated and efficient approach.

In essence, this integrated workflow underscores the system's user-friendly design, effectively addressing diverse scenarios with automated precision. The drainage control system exemplifies a harmonious blend of intelligence, responsiveness, and efficiency in managing drainage operations.

III. RESULT

Figure 3 & 4 shows the operation of the system is achieved by combining ultrasonic, float, and flow sensors, creating an all-encompassing solution for monitoring sewage. Each sensor contributes significantly to ensuring the effectiveness and well-being of the

sewage management system.

The sensors, a key component, diligently observe the sewage level within the tank. This real-time monitoring ensures that the system is continuously aware of the sewage volume, providing a crucial data point for decision-making. Simultaneously, the float sensor acts as a reliable checkpoint, determining whether the sewage level has reached a predefined threshold. This dual-sensor approach ensures redundancy and enhances the accuracy of sewage level measurements.

Adding to the system's sophistication is the flow sensor, which meticulously measures the rate at which sewage flows. This dynamic measurement capability offers insights into the flow dynamics within the system, aiding in the overall assessment of sewage movement. The synergy of these sensors creates a holistic monitoring environment, covering both static and dynamic aspects of sewage conditions.

When the sewage level surpasses the predetermined threshold, the system promptly alerts sewage workers through an LCD display. This real-time notification mechanism is invaluable, providing immediate feedback on whether it is imperative to initiate a cleaning process. The clarity of information empowers sewage workers to make swift and informed decisions, contributing to timely maintenance and avert potential issues. By actively monitoring sewage levels through the ultrasonic sensor, assessing the threshold with the float sensor, and gauging flow rates via the flow sensor, the system offers a comprehensive understanding of the sewage conditions. This not only facilitates informed decision-making for cleanliness but also contributes to the creation and maintenance of a healthy and disease-free environment. The integration of these sensors showcases a technologically advanced and proactive approach to sewage management, ensuring the well-being of both the environment and the workers involved in sewage maintenance.

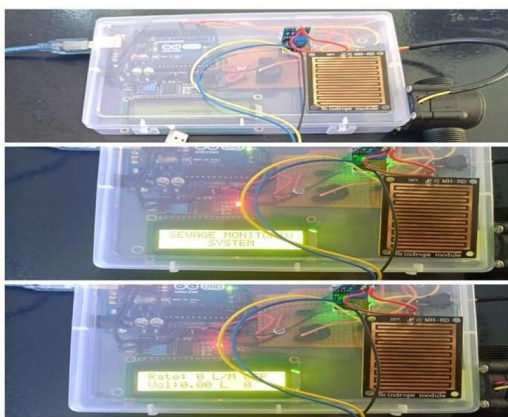


Fig. 3. Displaying the water level in LCD display

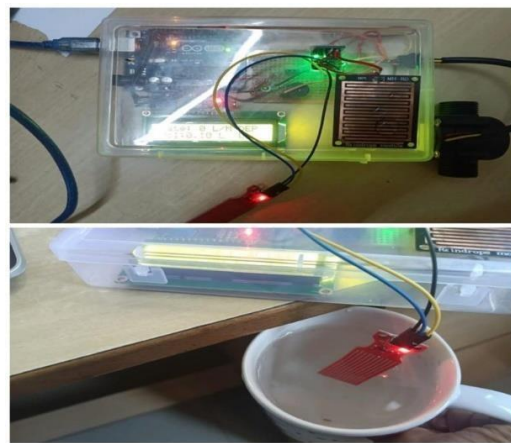


Fig. 4. Checking the water Level using water level sensor

IV. CONCLUSION

The water level indicator, boasting a cutting-edge design with a synchronized LCD display and audible buzzing alerts, seamlessly initiates water-related activities. Its capacity to efficiently monitor water levels in reservoirs or tanks positions it as a user-friendly, do-it-yourself project, providing a valuable tool to assess water availability before activating pumps. The applications of this innovative device span a wide array of settings, including hotels, factories, homes, apartments, commercial complexes, and drainage systems. The adaptability and effectiveness of the water level indicator underscore its significance in addressing water management challenges across diverse scenarios. Notably, the smart system's capability to intelligently redirect drainage water to another drainage when full adds a layer of sophistication, addressing potential overflow issues and contributing to comprehensive water management.

This water level indicator system exhibits a superior novelty compared to existing systems such as surface drainage, subsurface drainage, slope drainage, downspouts drainage, and gutter systems.

The innovative features, the water level indicator's smart drainage system, redirecting excess water to another drainage when full, further underscores its novelty. This dynamic approach to drainage management enhances the system's responsiveness, addressing potential overflow issues effectively. This unique feature sets the project apart from existing systems, offering a more comprehensive and adaptive solution to water-related challenges.

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