

Project

Phase 3: IOT-enabled smart public restroom system.

What is Python?

Python is a popular programming language. It was created by Guido van Rossum, and released in 1991.

It is used for:

- web development (server-side),
- software development,
- mathematics,
- system scripting.

What can Python do?

- Python can be used on a server to create web applications.
- Python can be used alongside software to create workflows.
- Python can connect to database systems. It can also read and modify files.
- Python can be used to handle big data and perform complex mathematics.
- Python can be used for rapid prototyping, or for production-ready software development.

Why Python?

- Python works on different platforms (Windows, Mac, Linux, Raspberry Pi, etc).
- Python has a simple syntax similar to the English language.
- Python has syntax that allows developers to write programs with fewer lines than some other programming languages.
- Python runs on an interpreter system, meaning

- that code can be executed as soon as it is written. This means that prototyping can be very quick.
- Python can be treated in a procedural way, an object-oriented way or a functional way.

IOT-enabled smart public restroom systems.

Description

The Goal of the system is to monitor and evaluates Toilet Condition In Real-Time, enabling city governments to improve the toilet cleaning & upkeep through:

- Monitoring capabilities
- Actionable intelligence
- Engagement & behavior change
- Standardization of toilet hygiene

To achieve this goal, We have to monitor

1. Number of Male/ Female using toilets
2. Water Usage and Level monitoring
3. The smell in the toilet.
4. Light/ Darkness in the Toilet
5. User Feedback from the Toilet.

Based on all those values, we also needed to show the toilet rating on a 5-star Display.

The challenge also was to develop this system with the lowest possible cost, easily available parts and easy to manufacture.

We started with

1. User Counter

The requirement is that sensor that can be mount on the head (top) of the door/ gate to count the user, with reasonable accuracy. Also, it should be rigid enough to protect from vandalism.

There are multiple ways to do user counting, considering the public toilet and environment, we decided to use a PIR sensor, with some customization.

When a person passes beneath the PIR sensor which will be mounted on the head (top) of the Toilet, it detects the motion of the person. This gives a High pulse at the output.

This pulse will remain High for a specific timeout and then become low for a certain time and become ready again to detect another motion.

It can detect motion within 18 feet.

we can use a **Single Triggering Mode** with some timing hacks.

Using the time (Tx) adjustment potentiometer, we can set the POT to the minimum HIGH time (Tx) period.

There are two 'timeouts' associated with the PIR sensor.

One is the "**Tx**" **timeout**: how long the LED is lit after it detects movement - this is easy to adjust because there's a potentiometer.

$T_x = 24576 \times R_{10} \times C_6$ (refer datasheet)

On the PIR sensor there is one POT of 1M ohm which is connected in series with 10K resistance which in turn makes the

$R_{10} = 10k \text{ ohm} + R_{POT}$,

$C_6 = 0.01 \text{ uF}$

$T_x = 24576 \times (10k \text{ ohm} + R_{POT}) \times 0.01uF$

We kept RPOT at lowest resistance which approximately equals 0 then,

$T_x = 24576 \times 10k \times 0.01uF = 2.5 \text{ sec (approx)}$

Practically we got Tx around **2.7 – 2.9 sec** approx.

The second is the "**Ti**" **timeout**: how long the output line is guaranteed to be LOW when there is no movement.

$T_i = 24 \times R_9 \times C_7$ (refer datasheet)

We can change or reduce the Ti time to zero. We changed it by removing its resistance and shorted the two points. This makes the **Ti** time to zero as R9 becomes zero.

So, when motion is detected output goes HIGH for 2.7 – 2.9 seconds (approx.) and becomes LOW. Now, its output will not have LOW for the guaranteed period and will become ready to detect motion.

PIR sensor senses motion in the radial direction but we need motion detection exactly under the sensor in the vertical direction.

So, to minimize the sensor's sensitivity area, we have not exposed the complete sensor surface to the environment. We just exposed the small and center part of the sensor to the environment. This enclosure arrangement helps to focus on a specific vertical region.





2. Smell Sensor

A smell sensor Node is a wi-fi-based sensor that will detect the level of gases that causes the bad smell in the Toilet.

1. Selection of Sensor

- Need to detect gas H_2S (Hydrogen Sulphide) which is produced from Human waste.
- Need to detect NH_3 (Ammonia) which is produced in Urine.
- It should not consume more power.
- It should get less affected by ambient environment factors like temperature, humidity, etc.
- It should have a long life.

To fulfill all the above requirement, we found two sensors

- **TGS2602**
- **MQ135**

3. Water Level Sensor

The water level sensor node is a wi-fi-based device that is used to detect four levels i.e. 25%, 50%, 75%, and 100% (full) in the tank.

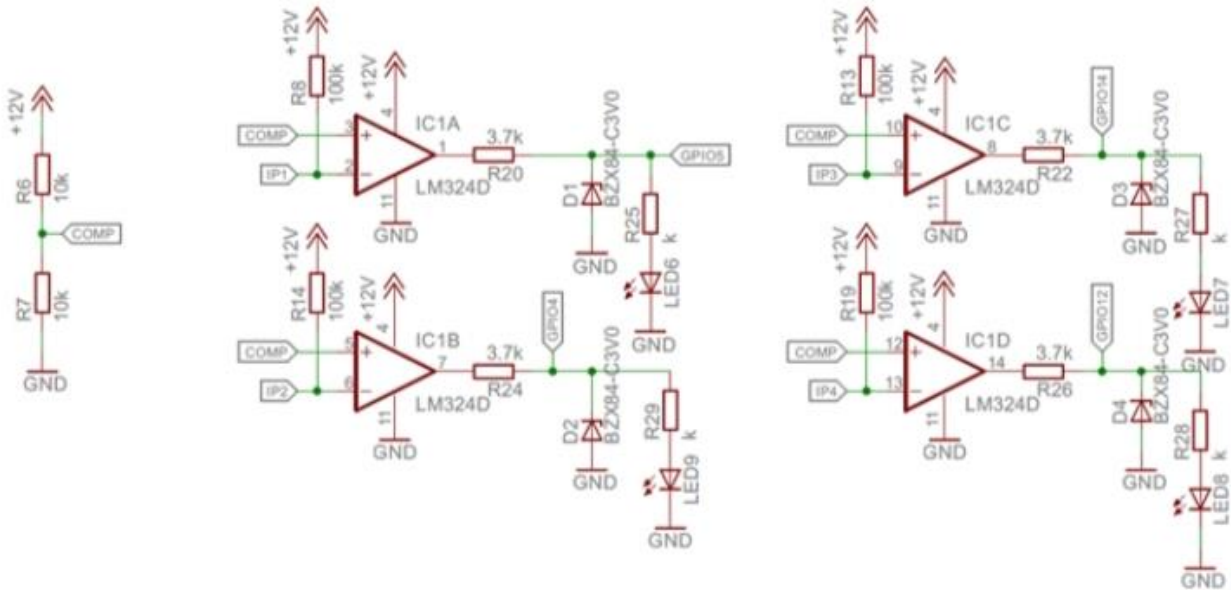
There are many water level sensors are present in the market. But, we need to use cost-effective water level sensor, so we have selected Conductivity based water level sensor which is as follows:

we used carbon plated water level sensor to avoid rusting because of water.



To detect 4 different levels, we have to insert 5 carbon-plated conductors. Out of which one is connected to the ground placed at the bottom of the tank.

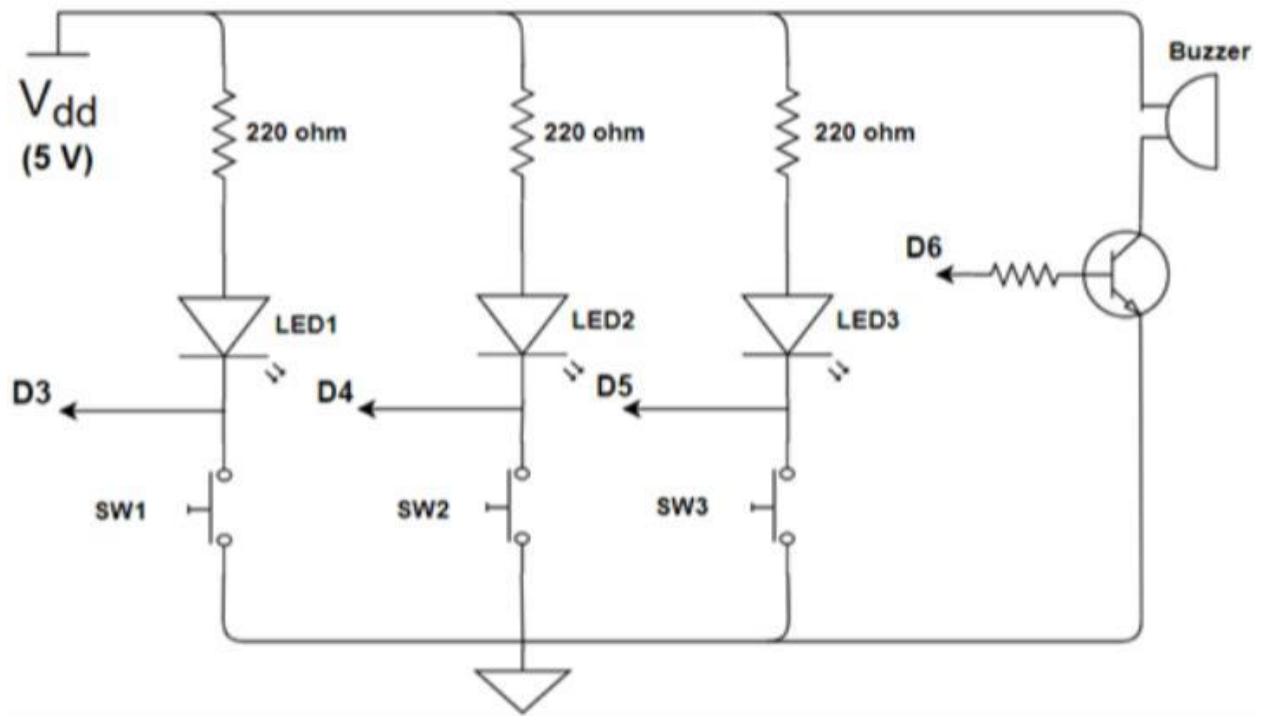
And the other 4 conductors placed at different detecting levels which are connected to different inverting terminals of comparator LM324



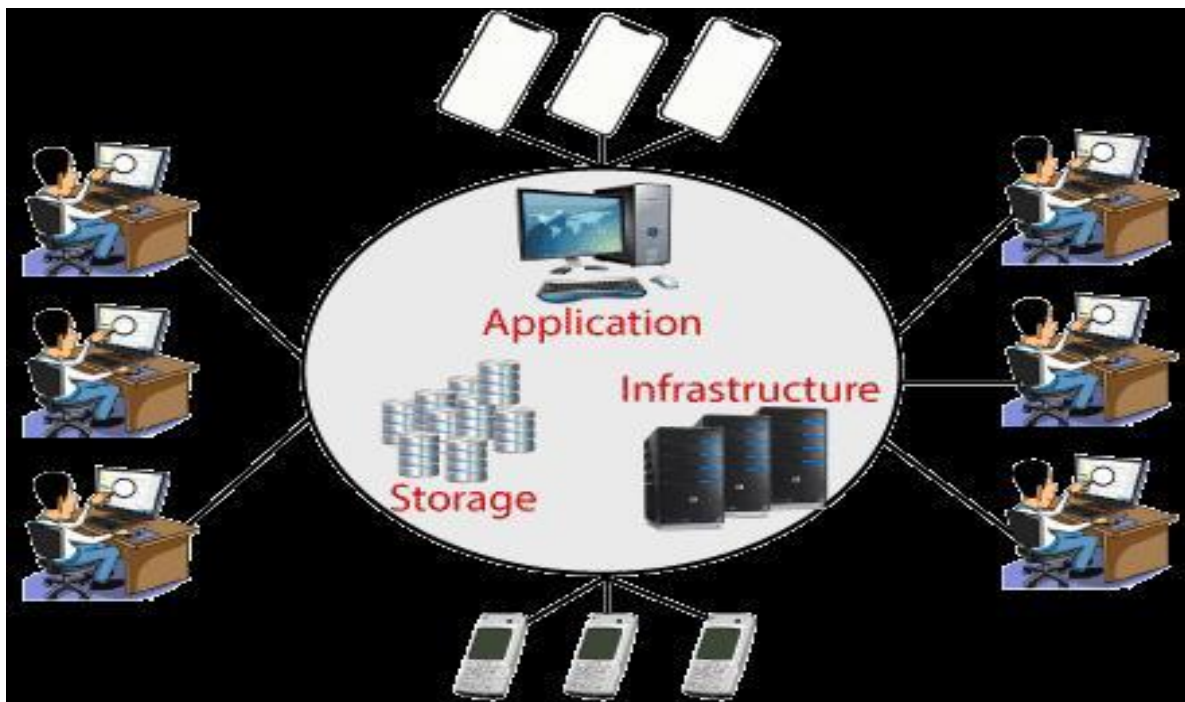
4. User Feedback Machine

The user feedback system is a wireless-based device that takes user feedback in terms of Toilet cleaning. There are three switches for Clean, average, and Dirty feedback.

Schematic



Introduction to cloud



Cloud Computing is the delivery of computing services such as servers, storage, databases, networking, software, analytics, intelligence, and more, over the Cloud (Internet).

Cloud Computing provides an alternative to the on-premises datacentre. With an on-premises datacentre, we have to manage everything, such as purchasing and installing hardware, virtualization, installing the operating system, and any other required applications, setting up the network, configuring the firewall, and setting up storage for data. After doing all the set-up, we become responsible for maintaining it through its entire lifecycle.

OUTCOMES SMART WASHROOM SOLUTION BRINGS

There are indeed numerous positive outcomes entailed by the smart restroom solution application. All of them significantly improve work process and decision-making.

- Number of complaints reduces.
- Restroom users can easily feedback on any problems they spot.
- Equipment is well-maintained due to real time data usage.
- A supervisor is always aware of daily, weekly, and monthly statistics concerning equipment exploitation, thus, is able to make the best decisions regarding rooms layout.

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