

SAFE WHEEL

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Abstract

Safe Wheel is a drowsiness detection system that utilizes an Arduino microcontroller and sensors like a gyroscope and accelerometer to monitor a vehicle's roll and pitch angles. If these angles exceed set thresholds, indicating potential driver drowsiness, the system triggers alerts such as buzzing sounds and visual warnings on an LCD screen.

In addition, Safe Wheel includes a Bluetooth module that connects to a mobile app, providing real-time feedback on the vehicle's orientation and issuing alerts if drowsiness is detected. By integrating hardware and software components, Safe Wheel aims to enhance driver safety by proactively identifying signs of drowsiness and prompting timely intervention. Through its development and testing, Safe Wheel contributes to ongoing efforts to reduce road accidents caused by driver fatigue.

Introduction:-

In India, drowsy driving is a significant safety concern, contributing to a high number of traffic accidents and fatalities annually. Factors such as long hours of driving, insufficient rest, and monotonous road conditions exacerbate this issue, necessitating effective solutions for detecting and mitigating driver drowsiness.

The Safe Wheel project addresses this challenge by developing a drowsiness detection system tailored for Indian road conditions. This comprehensive approach aims to enhance road safety by empowering drivers to proactively address drowsiness and reduce the risk of accidents.

Existing Solutions for Drowsiness Detection:-

Vehicle-Based Systems:

Many modern vehicles are equipped with drowsiness detection systems that monitor driver behavior and vehicle movements to detect signs of fatigue. These systems typically rely on steering wheel movements, lane deviation, and vehicle speed to assess driver alertness.

Examples include Mercedes-Benz's Attention Assist and Volvo's Driver Alert Control.

Wearable Devices:

Wearable devices such as smartwatches and headsets are also used for drowsiness detection. These devices monitor physiological signals like heart rate, skin conductance, and eye movements to infer the driver's alertness level.

Products like the SmartCap and Optalert use EEG technology to measure brain activity and detect signs of drowsiness.

Camera-Based Systems:

Camera-based systems analyze facial features and eye movements to detect drowsiness in drivers. They track factors like eyelid closure, head position, and blink frequency to assess fatigue levels.

Solutions like Seeing Machines' Guardian System and Bosch's Driver Drowsiness Detection utilize this technology.

Advantages of Safe Wheel:

Real-Time Orientation Monitoring:

- Safe Wheel goes beyond traditional methods by incorporating sensors like gyroscopes and accelerometers to monitor the vehicle's roll and pitch angles in real-time.
- This allows for more accurate detection of drowsiness based on the vehicle's actual orientation, providing a proactive approach to prevent accidents.

Multi-Sensory Alert System:

- Unlike some existing solutions that rely on a single type of sensor or alert mechanism, Safe Wheel integrates multiple sensors and alert modalities.
- By combining auditory alerts (buzzing sounds) with visual warnings (LCD screen), Safe Wheel ensures that drivers receive timely and effective notifications of potential drowsiness.

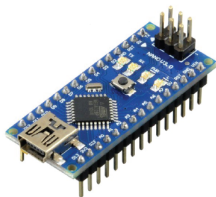
Mobile Application Integration:

- Safe Wheel enhances driver awareness by integrating with a mobile application that provides real-time feedback on the vehicle's orientation.
- The app enables drivers to stay informed about their alertness level and receive instant alerts if drowsiness is detected, even when they are not actively monitoring the vehicle's dashboard.

Customizable Thresholds and Alerts:

- Safe Wheel allows users to customize drowsiness detection thresholds and alert settings based on their individual preferences and driving habits.
- This flexibility ensures that the system can adapt to varying levels of driver fatigue and provide personalized alerts tailored to each user's needs.

Components used :-



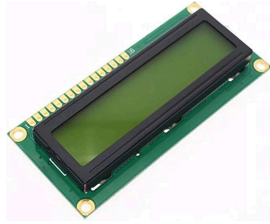
Arduino nano



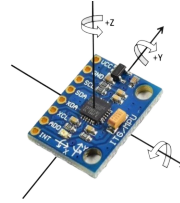
Bluetooth module (HC-05)



Buzzer (DC)



LCD screen



Gyroscope accelerometer (MPU6050)

Other components: LEDs, resistors, rheostat, connecting wires, bread board

Week to week planning :-

Week 1: Project Setup and Planning

- Procure necessary components: Arduino microcontroller, sensors (gyroscope, accelerometer), LCD screen, buzzer, Bluetooth module.
- Set up a development environment for Arduino programming and mobile app development.
- Research technical specifications and requirements for Safe Wheel.
- Design circuit diagram and layout for hardware components.
- Create a detailed project plan with tasks, milestones, and deadlines.
- Assign roles and responsibilities to team members.
- Conduct kickoff meetings to discuss goals, requirements, and timelines.

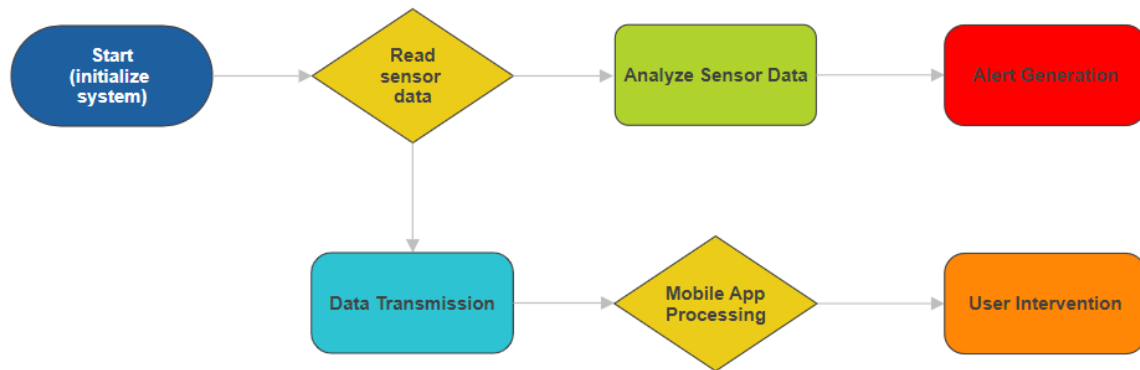
Week 2: Hardware Development and Testing

- Assemble hardware components based on circuit diagrams.
- Write and test code for sensor interfacing (gyroscope, accelerometer).
- Integrate buzzer and LCD screen for alerts.
- Test hardware setup for accuracy and reliability.
- Document hardware development process.
- Address any issues or challenges encountered.

Week 3: Software Development and Integration

- Develop mobile app interface for Safe Wheel.
- Implement Bluetooth communication between Arduino and mobile app.
- Test integration between hardware and software.
- Fine-tune drowsiness detection algorithms.
- Prepare project documentation.
- Conduct comprehensive review of project.
- Prepare for project presentation or demonstration

Flow Chart :-



Start(Initialize System):

- Power on the Arduino microcontroller.
- Initialize sensors (gyroscope, accelerometer) and peripherals.

Read Sensor Data:

- Read roll and pitch angles from the gyroscope and accelerometer.
- Analyze Sensor Data
- Compare roll and pitch angles with predefined thresholds.
- Determine if drowsiness is detected based on angle deviation.

Alert Generation:

- If drowsiness is detected:
- Trigger visual alert on LCD screen.
- Activate buzzer for auditory alert.

Data Transmission:

- Send sensor data to mobile app via Bluetooth module.

Mobile App Processing

- Receive sensor data from Arduino.
- Analyze data for drowsiness detection.
- If drowsiness is detected: Display warning message on mobile app.
Generate audible alerts on mobile device.

User Intervention:

- Driver acknowledges drowsiness alert.
- Take appropriate action (rest, pull over).

Code:-

1. Libraries

```
1  #include <Wire.h>
2  #include <MPU6050.h>
3  #include <SoftwareSerial.h>
4  #include <LiquidCrystal.h>
```

2. Declaration of Variables

```
9  int16_t ax, ay, az;
10 int16_t gx, gy, gz;
11
12 float gForceX, gForceY, gForceZ;
13 float pitch, roll;
14
15 // Indicator LED pin
16 const int ledPin1 = 13;
17 const int ledPin2 = A0;
18 const int ledPin3 = A1;
19 const int ledPin4 = A2;
20 const int ledPin5 = A3;
21
22 //Buzzer
23 const int buzzer = 6;
24
25 //LCD
26 const int rs = 12, en = 11, d4 = 5, d5 = 4, d6 = 3, d7 = 2;
27 LiquidCrystal lcd(rs, en, d4, d5, d6, d7);
28
29 // Delays
30 unsigned long previousMillis = 0;
31 unsigned long lcdUpdateInterval = 1000;|
```

3.Setup

```
33 // Arduino Code
34 ✓ void setup() {
35     Serial.begin(9600);
36     // bluetoothSerial.begin(9600); // Start Bluetooth serial communication
37     EEBLue.begin(9600);
38
39     //LCD
40     lcd.begin(16, 2);
41     lcd.print("SAFE WHEELS");
42
43     // Initialize LED pin as output
44     pinMode(ledPin1, OUTPUT);
45     pinMode(ledPin2, OUTPUT);
46     pinMode(ledPin3, OUTPUT);
47     pinMode(ledPin4, OUTPUT);
48     pinMode(ledPin5, OUTPUT);
49
50     pinMode(buzzer, OUTPUT);
51
52
53     // Initialize MPU6050
54     Wire.begin();
55     mpu.initialize();
56
57     // Calibrate MPU6050
58     mpu.CalibrateAccel();
59     mpu.CalibrateGyro();
60
61     // Set MPU6050 sensitivity scale
62     mpu.setFullScaleAccelRange(MPU6050_ACCEL_FS_2);
63     mpu.setFullScaleGyroRange(MPU6050_GYRO_FS_250);
64 }
```


4.Roll and Pitch Calculation

```
66 void loop() {
67     //Delay Update
68     unsigned long currentMillis = millis();
69
70     // Read raw accelerometer and gyro data
71     mpu.getMotion6(&ax, &ay, &az, &gx, &gy, &gz);
72
73     gForceX = ax / 16384.0;
74     gForceY = ay / 16384.0;
75     gForceZ = az / 16384.0;
76
77     // Convert raw values to degrees per second for gyroscope
78     float gyroXrate = (float)gx / 131.0; // sensitivity scale: 131 LSB/deg/s
79     float gyroYrate = (float)gy / 131.0;
80
81     // Filter gyro data (optional)
82     float dt = 0.01; // Time interval in seconds
83     pitch += gyroYrate * dt;
84     roll -= gyroXrate * dt;
85
86     // Calculate pitch and roll angles from accelerometer data
87     float accelXangle = atan((float)ay / sqrt(pow((float)ax, 2) + pow((float)az, 2))) * 180.0 / PI;
88     float accelYangle = atan((float)ax / sqrt(pow((float)ay, 2) + pow((float)az, 2))) * 180.0 / PI;
89
90     // Complementary filter: combine accelerometer and gyroscope data
91     pitch = 0.98 * (pitch + gyroYrate * dt) + 0.02 * accelXangle;
92     roll = 0.98 * (roll - gyroXrate * dt) + 0.02 * accelYangle;
```

$$Pitch = \theta = \arcsin \frac{a_x}{g} = \arcsin \frac{a_x}{\sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2 + a_z^2}}$$

$$Roll = \phi = \arctan \frac{a_y}{a_z}$$

$$g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Pitch and Roll angle is calculated from above equation with raw accelerometer data. But above angles are prone to vibration errors so we had to use gyroscope data and complementary filter which take the weighted average of the two sensor readings and returns final roll and pitch angle.

5.Displaying results on serial monitor and LCD display

```
94 // Print angles and gForce
95 Serial.print("Pitch: ");
96 Serial.print(pitch);
97 Serial.print(" Roll: ");
98 Serial.print(roll);
99 Serial.print(" Accel (g)");
100 Serial.print(" X=");
101 Serial.print(gForceX);
102 Serial.print(" Y=");
103 Serial.print(gForceY);
104 Serial.print(" Z=");
105 Serial.println(gForceZ);
106
107 // Check if it's time to update the LCD
108 if (currentMillis - previousMillis >= lcdUpdateInterval) {
109     // Save the last time LCD was updated
110     previousMillis = currentMillis;
111     lcd.clear();
112     lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
113     lcd.print("Roll: ");
114     lcd.print(roll);
115     lcd.setCursor(0, 1);
116     lcd.print("Pitch: ");
117     lcd.print(pitch);
118
119     EEBLue.print(roll); //send roll angle to MIT App
120     EEBLue.print(";");
121     EEBLue.print(pitch); //send pitch angle to MIT App
122     EEBLue.println(";");
123 }
```

6.Threshold for Indicator Led

```
125 // Code for Indicator LED's
126 if(pitch >= -15 && pitch <= 15){
127     digitalWrite(ledPin1, LOW);
128     digitalWrite(ledPin2, LOW);
129     digitalWrite(ledPin3, HIGH);
130     digitalWrite(ledPin4, LOW);
131     digitalWrite(ledPin5, LOW);
132 }
133 else if(pitch > 15 && pitch <= 30){
134     digitalWrite(ledPin1, LOW);
135     digitalWrite(ledPin2, LOW);
136     digitalWrite(ledPin3, LOW);
137     digitalWrite(ledPin4, HIGH);
138     digitalWrite(ledPin5, LOW);
139 }
140 else if(pitch > 30){
141     digitalWrite(ledPin1, LOW);
142     digitalWrite(ledPin2, LOW);
143     digitalWrite(ledPin3, LOW);
144     digitalWrite(ledPin4, LOW);
145     digitalWrite(ledPin5, HIGH);
146 }
147 else if(pitch >= -30 && pitch < -15){
148     digitalWrite(ledPin1, LOW);
149     digitalWrite(ledPin2, HIGH);
150     digitalWrite(ledPin3, LOW);
151     digitalWrite(ledPin4, LOW);
152     digitalWrite(ledPin5, LOW);
153 }
154 else if(pitch < -30){
155     digitalWrite(ledPin1, HIGH);
156     digitalWrite(ledPin2, LOW);
```

7. Threshold for Sleep Detection

```
162 // Check if roll angle is within a particular range
163 if (roll <= -45 || roll >= 45 || pitch >= 45 || pitch <= -45) {
164     // Turn on the Buzzer
165     digitalWrite(buzzer, HIGH);
166 } else {
167     // Turn off the Buzzer
168     digitalWrite(buzzer, LOW);
169 }
170
171 delay(10);
172 }
```

Testing and Analysis: Safe Wheel Components

Arduino Microcontroller:

- Tested functionality of Arduino microcontroller using basic code.
- Verified compatibility with selected sensors and peripherals.
- Analyzed power consumption and processing capabilities under different loads.
- Conducted testing to assess reliability and stability over extended operation period.

Sensors (Gyroscope and Accelerometer):

- Tested accuracy and precision of sensor readings in detecting roll and pitch angles.
- Evaluated noise levels and signal filtering techniques for improved data integrity.

Alert System (Visual and Auditory):

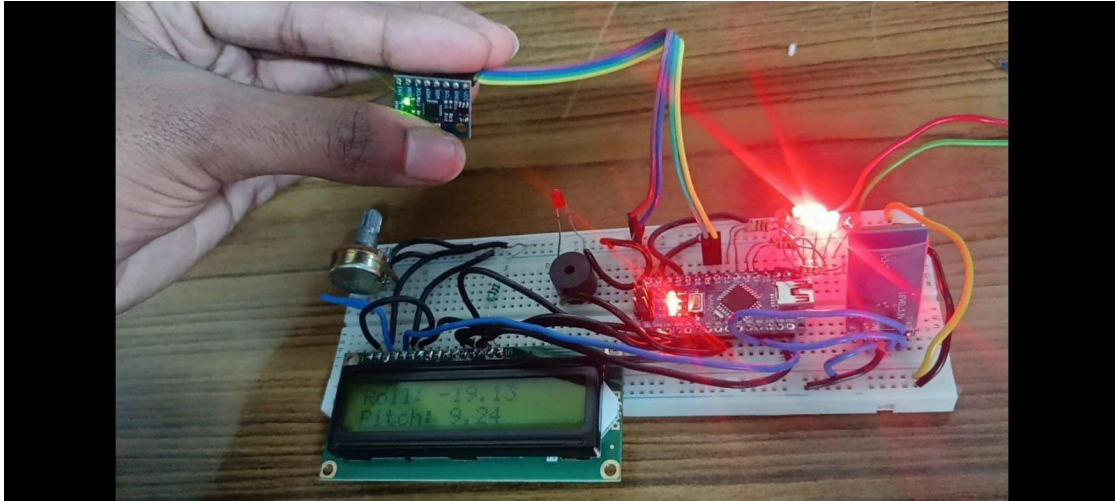
- Tested visual alert system using LCD screen for displaying warnings to the driver.
- Analyzed visibility and readability of alerts under different lighting conditions.
- Evaluated sound volume and frequency for optimal alertness without causing distraction or discomfort to the driver.

Bluetooth Connectivity and Mobile Application:

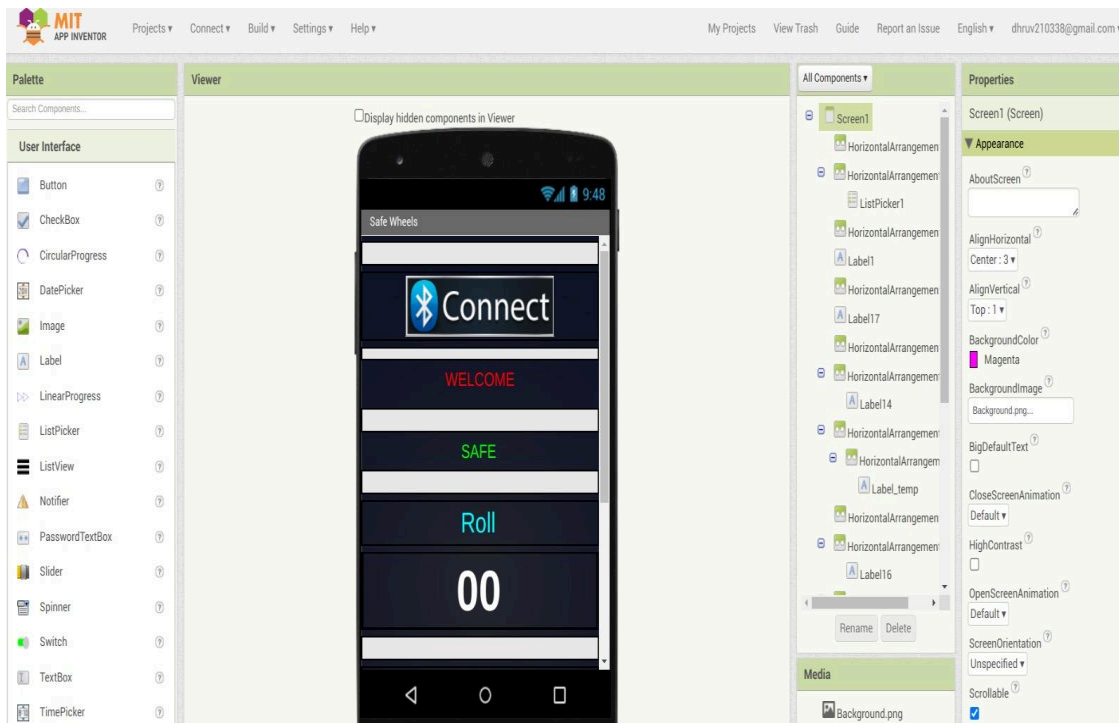
- Tested Bluetooth module for reliable connectivity with mobile devices.
- Analyzed data transmission rates and latency for real-time feedback.
- Evaluated user interface of mobile application for intuitive navigation and ease of use.

Outcome:-

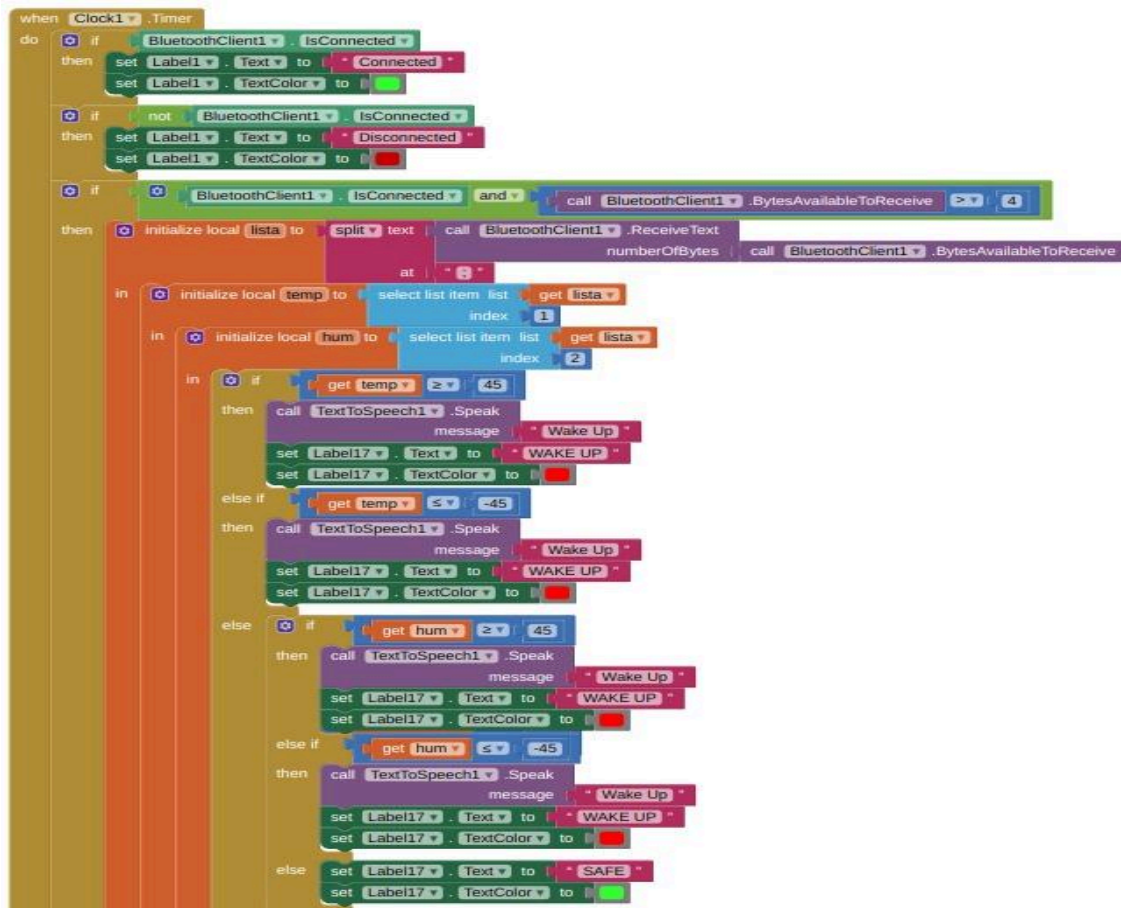
Overall Circuit:



App - Designer block



App-Block code



Project Video:

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Conclusion :

In conclusion, the development of a drowsiness detection system utilizing the MPU6050 sensor marks a significant step towards enhancing driver safety and mitigating the risks associated with drowsy driving. By monitoring the pitch and roll angles of the driver's head in real-time, the system can promptly identify signs of drowsiness and alert the driver, thereby preventing potential accidents and safeguarding lives on the road.

While the current implementation demonstrates the feasibility of utilizing inertial sensors for drowsiness detection, there are ample opportunities for further improvement and refinement.

Future Scope :

Enhancing Driver Drowsiness Detection

While the current implementation utilizes the MPU6050 sensor to monitor pitch and roll angles of the driver's head for detecting drowsiness, there are several avenues for further improvement to enhance accuracy and reliability.

1. Sensor Fusion with Additional Sensors:

Integrating additional sensors such as a magnetometer and GPS can provide complementary data to improve the robustness of drowsiness detection. The magnetometer can offer absolute orientation information, aiding in compensating for drift in gyroscope data over time. Additionally, GPS data can provide contextual information such as vehicle speed and location, which can be correlated with driver behavior to better discern signs of drowsiness.

2. Kalman Filtering:

Implementing Kalman filtering techniques can effectively combine data from multiple sensors while accounting for noise and uncertainties, resulting in smoother and more accurate estimations of the driver's head orientation. By dynamically adjusting the weighting of sensor inputs based on their reliability, Kalman filters can mitigate errors and improve the overall performance of the drowsiness detection system.

