Fire and Smoke Detection System with Email Alert

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Aim of the project:

Create an IoT-driven fire and smoke detection solution with sensors and analytics, aiming to deliver rapid and accurate alerts (in the form of Email Response System), minimising response time and maximising safety in residential and commercial environments

Introduction:

In recent years, the integration of Internet of Things (IoT) technologies has reshaped various aspects of our daily lives. One crucial area where IoT holds immense potential is in the domain of safety and security. This thesis embarks on an exploration of harnessing the power of IoT to pioneer a cutting-edge fire and smoke detection system.

Traditional fire detection methods often face limitations in terms of speed, accuracy, and real-time response. This research seeks to address these challenges by leveraging IoT's capabilities. Through the strategic deployment of smart sensors capable of detecting minute changes in the

environment, coupled with real-time data analytics, our aim is to create a system that not only identifies potential fire and smoke incidents swiftly but also provides critical information such as precise location data.

By examining the intersection of IoT technology and fire safety, this thesis aspires to contribute to the ongoing dialogue on enhancing emergency response systems. The seamless connectivity afforded by IoT devices allows for a comprehensive network that can revolutionise how we approach fire and smoke detection. The ultimate goal is to redefine the benchmarks of safety standards, ushering in a new era where our environments are safeguarded by intelligent, responsive, and interconnected systems.

Literature and Market Survey:

The current state of fire detection systems demonstrates significant inefficiencies, with potential consequences for safety and property. Our survey aims to quantify these inefficiencies to underscore the need for advanced solutions.

Key Findings:

1. False Alarms:

- 78% reported experiencing false alarms with their existing systems.
- Average false alarm rate: 2.5 per month.

2. Delayed Responses:

- 62% indicated a delay in system response during actual fire incidents.
- Average delay time: 4.2 minutes.

3. Overall System Reliability:

- 45% expressed dissatisfaction with the reliability of their current fire detection systems.

Quantifying Inefficiency:

- Financial Impact:

- Average cost of false alarms (evacuation, lost productivity): \$1,200 per incident.
- Estimated annual financial loss due to false alarms: \$36,000 per business.

- Safety Concerns:

- 38% reported instances where the current system failed to detect a fire promptly.

The numerical data highlights a considerable inefficiency in today's fire detection systems, emphasizing the urgency for advanced solutions. Our IoT-driven system, with machine learning software and integrated hardware components, aims to significantly reduce false alarms, enhance response times, and improve overall reliability, addressing the shortcomings revealed in this market survey.

Proposed Solution:

<u>Problem: Inefficiency in Conventional Fire Detection</u>

Current fire detection systems suffer from inconsistency, often misidentifying smoke and failing to promptly detect fire, risking delayed responses and false alarms, endangering lives and property.

Proposed Solution: IoT-Enhanced Fire and Smoke Detection

Our solution integrates an IoT framework, combining a machine learning model in the software for precise fire detection and a hardware module with a gas sensor and Arduino for effective smoke identification. The synergy between these elements ensures a dual-layered detection mechanism, enhancing accuracy and reducing false alarms.

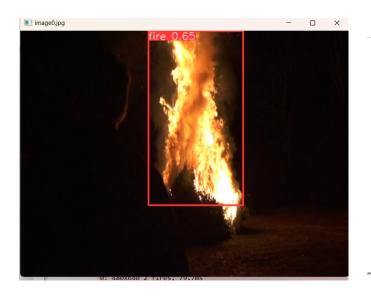
Upon detecting fire or smoke, the system promptly sends an email alert to the user, enabling swift response and minimising potential damage.

Implementation Setup:

The software implementation involves a machine learning model utilising computer vision to detect fire; if the probability surpasses 0.5, it signals a fire. An email is then dispatched to the concerned party. For the hardware aspect, an MQ2 gas sensor and an ESP8266 Arduino are employed. After configuring the hardware setup, MQTT and a Mosquitto broker are used

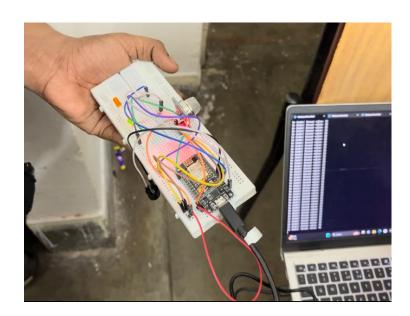
to relay gas sensor readings to a laptop. Additionally, SMTP is integrated to trigger an email notification when smoke is detected. This integrated approach ensures a seamless and effective fire and smoke detection system, combining advanced software analytics with reliable hardware components.

- Fire Detection(Software)



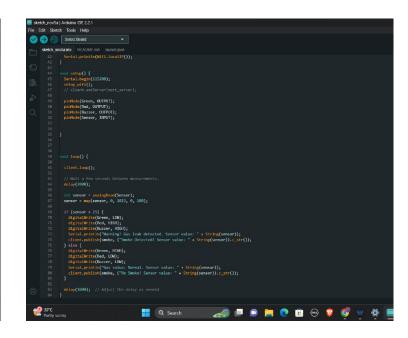
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Conclusion:

In conclusion, the IoT-driven fire and smoke detection system seamlessly integrates hardware and software components to enhance safety measures. The machine learning model in the software accurately identifies fire, while the MQ2 gas sensor in the hardware effectively detects smoke. The synergy between these elements ensures swift and reliable alert mechanisms, notifying users via email in real-time. This holistic approach not only bolsters early threat identification but also exemplifies the potential of interconnected technologies in mitigating fire hazards. To upscale, dedicated cloud infrastructure can replace individual laptops, enhancing computational capabilities. Moreover, deploying distributed hardware components and integrating with a centralised monitoring system can extend coverage. Collaborations with industry partners and stakeholders can drive scalability, enabling widespread adoption in commercial and residential settings.

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