



Flood recovery system in agriculture using internet of things

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Abstract-*This paper deals with advanced Agriculture with IOT technology. Internet of Things (IoT) is a shared network of objects or things which can interact with each other provided the internet connection. IoT plays an important role in agriculture industry which can feed 9.6 billion people on the Earth. In proposed system, the soil moisture level will be monitored and the motor is ON to irrigate the field but this system is totally different and user free technology to safeguard the farmland. This system has an IOT (Internet of Thinking) technology to control the world wide equipment. When the land is below moisture content the motor connected in that particular field will be activated to irrigate the field. If heavy forecast or flood surround the land, another motor will be used to remove the excess water and deliver it to well or water bed. The advanced technology used here in the project is IOT's by which the user can control and monitor their irrigation methodology at any place by using the IOT techniques.*

Keywords--Soil moisture sensor, IoT's, Water level sensor, Water pump.

I. INTRODUCTION

India is an agricultural country. More than seventy per cent of the population depend on agriculture. Thus, our economy is majorly depended on agriculture. The Internet of Things is the network of physical objects-devices, vehicles, buildings and other items embedded with electronics, software, sensors, and network connectivity that enable these objects to collect and exchange data. In the 21's century, agriculture mainly requires water saving agriculture, mechanical and intelligent agriculture, and high-quality, high-yield. Building an IoT application requires the right

selection and combination of sensors, networks and communication modules. Respondents said that they have deployed or plan to use IoT in many areas, including asset tracking, security, fleet management, field force management, energy data management, and condition-based

monitoring. IoT has wide applications in the fields of transportation, lifestyle, building, agriculture, factory, health care and many more. It is often described as a network of networks. Due to this, it can perform various tasks efficiently and accurately. The water is wasted at each and every outlet knowingly or unknowingly which adds up to a huge amount in the end. Efficient management of the water used at homes is very much necessary as, about 50% of water supplied to the cities gets wasted through its improper usage. Water management is only possible, if the user is aware of the quantity of water he uses and the quantity available to him. In an agricultural country like India, news about increased farmer suicides (about 26% in 2014) cannot be ignored; where one of the main reasons for it is unavailability of water. At many places water is luxuriously wasted while our farm lands don't have enough. Flood recovery system proposes an effective way of controlling the wastage of water in farms by allowing the user to continuously monitor and control the usage of water.

II. SOIL MOISTURE SENSOR

Soil moisture is an important component in the atmospheric water cycle, both on a small agricultural scale and in large-scale modeling of land/atmosphere interaction. Vegetation and crops always depend more on the moisture available at root level than on precipitation occurrence. Water budgeting for irrigation planning, as well as the actual scheduling of irrigation action, requires local soil moisture information. Knowledge of the

degree of soil wetness helps to forecast the risk of flash floods, or the occurrence of fog. Soil water content is an expression of the mass or volume of water in the soil, while the soil water potential is an expression of the soil water energy status. The relation between content and potential is not universal and depends on the characteristics of the local soil, such as soil density and soil texture. The basic technique for measuring soil water content is the gravimetric method. Because this method is based on direct measurements, it is the standard with which all other methods are compared. Unfortunately, gravimetric sampling is destructive, rendering repeat measurements on the same soil sample impossible. Because of the difficulties of accurately measuring dry soil and water volumes, volumetric water contents are not usually determined directly. Soil moisture sensor can read the amount of moisture present in the soil surrounding it. It's a sensor, but ideal for monitoring an urban garden, or your pet plant's water level. This is a must have tool for a connected garden. This sensor uses the two probes to pass current through the soil, and then it reads that resistance to get the moisture level. More water makes the soil conduct electricity more easily (less resistance), while dry soil conducts electricity poorly (more resistance).

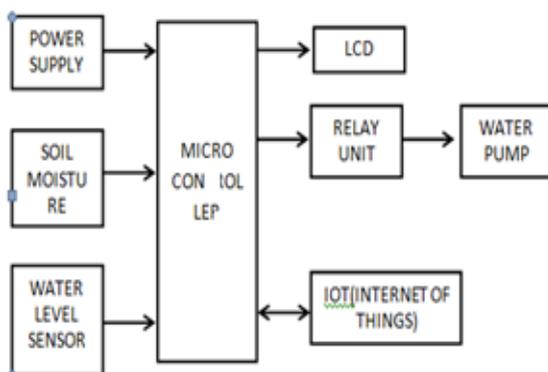


Figure 1: Block Diagram of Flood Recovering System in Agriculture Using Internet of Things

In this existing method the excess water cannot be utilized after it poured into the land but in this proposal method the excess water in the field can be recycled and it can be saved into the well or reservoir. In this proposed method, using internet of things, we can control and monitor during flood times.

III. SYSTEM DESIGN

In this work low cost soil moisture sensor is used. They continuously monitor the field and

send it to the web server using NRF24L01 transmitter and receiver and Ethernet connection at receiver ends. The sensor data are stored in database. The web application is designed in such a way to analyze the data received and to check with the threshold values of moisture, humidity and temperature. The decision making is done at server to automate irrigation. If soil moisture is less than the threshold value the motor is switched ON and if the soil moisture exceeds the threshold value the motor is switched OFF.

A. Data Acquisition

The sensor is interfaced with Arduino microcontroller and programmed. Once it is programmed it is placed inside a box and kept in the field. The soil moisture sensor has two probes which are inserted into the soil. The probes are used to pass current through the soil. The moisture soil has less resistance and hence passes more current through the soil whereas, the dry soil has high resistance and pass less current through the soil. The resistance value help to detect the soil moisture. Bury the sensor at root level. Since the sensor takes an average across the blade for a precise reading at particular depth, bury it horizontally such that water will not pool on the blade.

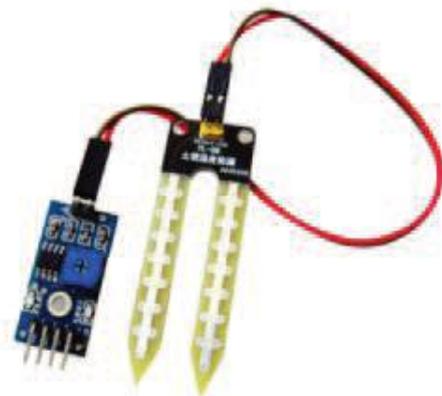


Figure 2: Picture of Soil Moisture Sensor

B. Wireless Data Transmission

The data acquired from sensors are transmitted to the web server with the help of or through wireless transmission. NRF24L01 module is used for wireless transmission between the field and the web server. NRF24L01 uses 2.4GHz transceiver from Nordic semiconductor. The data rate of this module is 256Kbps/1 Mbps/2Mbps. The voltage required is 1.9-3.6V. NRF24L01 is cheaper than other wireless

transmission modules like Zigbee. The transmitter and receiver modules are connected with arduino boards. The transmitter is placed in the field and the receiver is placed in the system end. The transmitter and receiver are given an ID while configuring it. All the transmitters in the field should know the receiver's ID which is the destination address. The receiver will receive data from various transmitters kept in the field. The receiver at the system end is connected to the web server via Ethernet. Ethernet is a standard in computer networks technology for Local Area networks. Ethernet is used here because of its low cost while interfacing with arduino micro-controller and fast connection establishment. When the data from the transmitter reaches the receiver, it sends request to the web server. The Ethernet cable is connected to the arduino micro-controller using Ethernet shield for arduino. The arduino Ethernet will be assigned an IP address which should be in the range of our network. The arduino is given with the address of the web server to send request. The web server designed using PHP script to insert values in the appropriate table. The web server processes the request and stores the received data in its database. The wireless data transmissions are done by using NRF24L01.

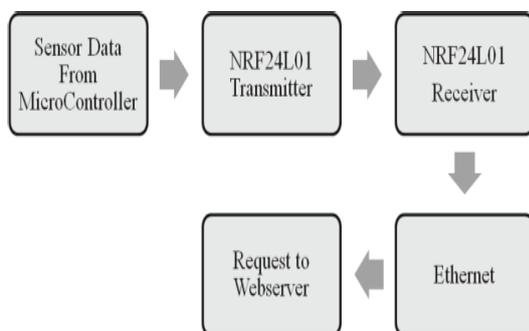


Figure 3: Concept of Data Transmission

C. Data Processing & Decision Making

The data received from the field are wirelessly transmitted using NRF24L01 and then saved in web server mysql database using Ethernet connection at receiver end. Periodically the data are received and stored in database. The data processing is the task of checking the various sensors data received from the field with the already fixed threshold values. The threshold values vary according to the crops planted. This is because different crops need different amounts of water. For example in a paddy field to produce 1 kg of rice 5000 liters of water and for wheat it is 1000 liters. These sensor values also vary according to

the climatic conditions. The soil moisture will be different in summer, winter and rainy seasons. The threshold value is fixed after considering all these environmental and climatic conditions. The motor will be switched ON automatically if the soil moisture value falls below the threshold and vice versa. The farmer can even switch on the motor from mobile using mobile application. Here IoT is used for transmitting and receiving the signals from and to the farmland. IoT is the fastest growing concept. Internet of Things is having a wide range of applications.

D. Automation of Flood Recovery System

The flood recovery system is automated once the control received from the web application or mobile application. Relays are used to pass control from web application to the electrical switches using Arduino micro-controller. A relay is an electrically operated switch. The circuits with low power signal can be controlled using relay. There are different types of relays which include reed relay, solid state relays, and protective relay etc. The relay used here is Solid State Relay (SSR). If an external voltage is applied across the relay switches ON or OFF the circuit.

E. Water Level Sensor:

It is mainly used for sensing the water level in the crop field. This project is having two water levels one is HIGH level and another one is LOW level. If the water level is HIGH the motor will turn ON to collect the water back to the well. If the water level is LOW the motor will turn ON by the indication of Soil Moisture Sensor.



Figure 4: Diagram of Water Level Sensor

F. Relay Module

Basically the relays are mainly used for switching purpose in many applications. Here the relay plays main role. The relay activates the water pump based on the sensor activations. If the water level is LOW the soil moisture sensor is activated and it switches the relay circuit to turns ON the motor. If the water level is HIGH the water level sensor is activated and it switches the relay circuit to turns ON the motor.

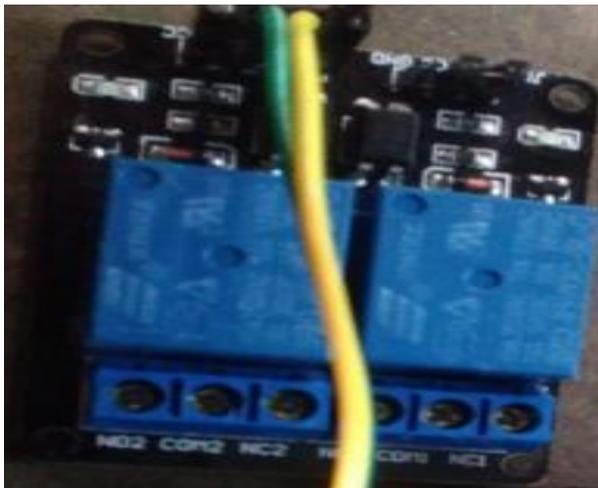


Figure 5: Diagram of Relay Circuit

Algorithm for Proposed System

It states the steps that the proposed system undergoes.

Step 1: Start the process.

Step 2: Initialize power is supplied to GSM.

Step 3: Check the moisture level (less than or more than).

Step 4: If the level will be more than a fixed criteria, no need to irrigation.

Step 5: If Moisture level is less than a fixed criteria, start irrigation.

Step 6: Initialization of pump.

Step 7: After the process completed, it moves to original state.

Step 8: Stop the process.

IV. SIMULATION PROCESS

1. Open the software Keil uVision4 from the desktop menu.

2. Select project > New project, Name the project such as example AGRICULTURE.

3. Now click file > New and enter the program in that window.

4. Save the program .C or .asm, if the program is in C or assembly language.

5. From target 1 menu on the work space, right click on the Source Group 1 and choose, add files to group source group 1 and add the file that we saved.

6. Now you can see the file, LED blinker's on the work space under source group 1.

7. Go to Project > Build Target and you can see errors and warnings in the program, if it is zero you can go to the next step (#8).

8. Select Debug > Start/Stop Debug Session.

9. Again click on Debug > Run and it will start the simulation.

10. To view the output (logic of the program), simply go to Peripherals > I/O ports > port 1. There you can see the pin 1 is blinking according to the program.

SIMULATION OUTPUT

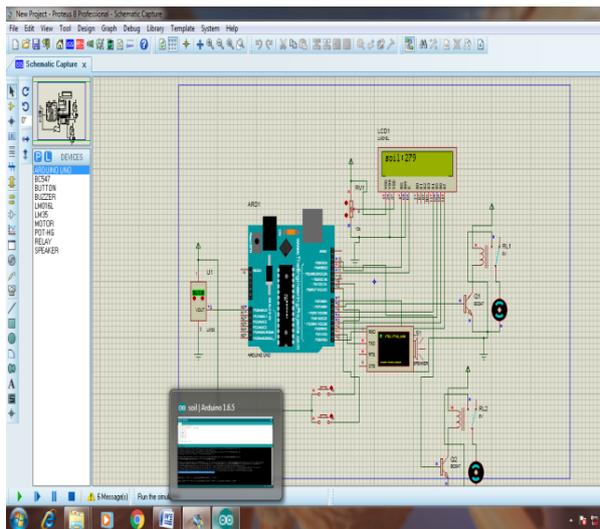


Figure 6: Simulation Output of Flood Recovering System in Agriculture Using Internet of Things

HARDWARE OUTPUT

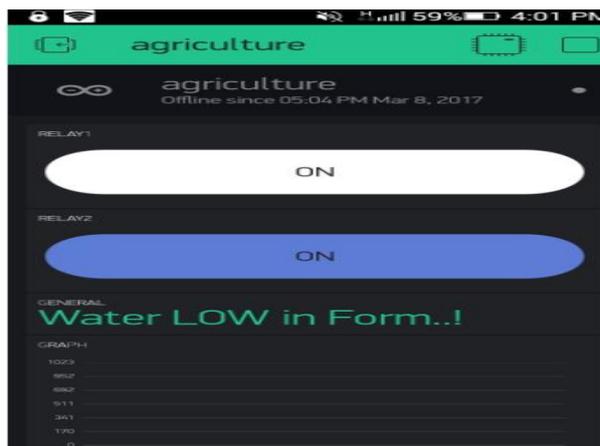


Figure 7: Output Waveform of Flood Recovering System Flood Recovering System in Agriculture Using Internet of Things

HARDWARE IMPLEMENTATION

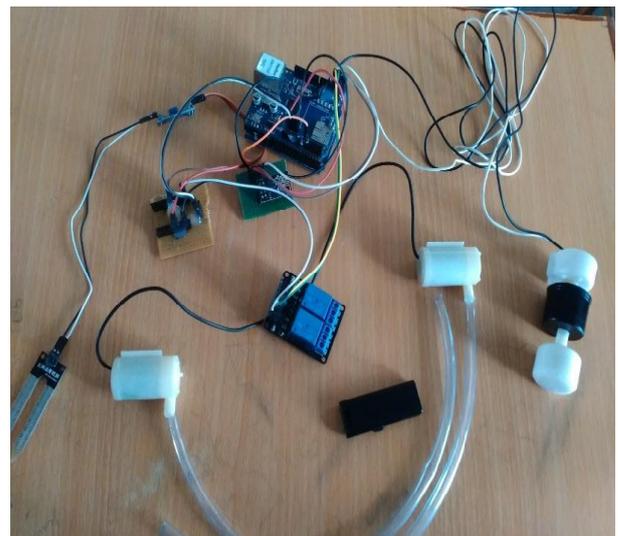


Figure 8: Implementation of the Flood Recovering System in Agriculture Using Internet of Things

V. CONCLUSION

The automated irrigation system has been designed and implemented in this paper. The system developed is beneficial and works in a cost-effective manner. It reduces the water consumption to a greater extent. It needs only minimal maintenance. The power consumption has been reduced very much. This system is very useful in areas where water scarcity is a major problem. The developed system is more helpful and gives more feasible results. The project helps to supply the right amount of water to the crops and remove the excess amount of water. There has been a rapid increase in the development of technology leading to advanced concepts like WSN, IoT, and 5G etc. There are some basic resources on the earth that are necessary to sustain life, but with the advancement in technology most of these resources are being depleted or destroyed in one way or the other. These advanced technologies are mostly exploited to make our life easier. But there are several applications of these technologies that are not yet exploited or given importance, which can be exploited to reduce the depletion of the natural resources, maintaining the ecological balance, and making the life of our future generation easier.

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