

# Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System

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## ABSTRACT

In this project, a Wireless Sensor Network (WSN) Monitoring App is implemented along with the Arduino Mega 2560 microcontroller to visualize and control sensors and actuators in various domains such as agriculture, healthcare, smart homes, and industrial applications. The project uses Bluetooth communication (HC-05) to transmit sensor and actuator information to an Android-based mobile application.

In the agriculture domain, a soil moisture sensor is used to monitor the soil's moisture level and a DC water pump controlled by an L293D motor driver to irrigate crops accordingly. In the healthcare domain, a heart rate and SpO<sub>2</sub> sensor (MAX30100) monitors patients' heartbeat and oxygen levels in real time and displays them on the mobile app and a 16x2 LCD display.

In the smart homes' domain, a DHT11 temperature and humidity sensor measures temperature and humidity levels, and a DC fan controlled by an L293D motor driver is used to cool the environment accordingly. In the industrial domain, an MQ2 gas sensor and a flame sensor are used together to detect gas leakage and fire hazards, and a buzzer and a 16x2 LCD display are used to alert users and display messages accordingly.

**KEYWORDS:** WSN, Arduino, Bluetooth, IoT, L293D motor driver, DHT11 temperature, humidity sensor.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs) have evolved as a revolutionary technology to provide real-time monitoring and control in various applications and fields. A Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System is a system that uses several sensor nodes with the ability to communicate wirelessly to collect and analyse the environmental parameters such as temperature, humidity, light intensity, air quality, and many others. These systems are extremely important in the field of smart agriculture, industrial control systems, environmental monitoring systems, and smart homes.

The basic functionality of such a system includes the deployment of several sensor nodes in a particular region or field. These nodes collaborate with each other to collect the environmental parameters and send the collected data wirelessly to the central

processing unit or base station. The collected data is further processed to determine the anomaly or trends in the data and react accordingly using the actuators.

WSNs provide several benefits such as reduced power consumption, scalability, deployment ease, and remote access to the real-time data. With the evolution and growth of IoT (Internet of Things) technology, cloud computing, and machine learning algorithms, WSN-based environmental control systems are becoming intelligent and efficient, making the environment smarter, safer, and sustainable.

## II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Akyildiz, Su, Sankara Subramaniam, and Cayirci (2002) [1] published a seminal paper titled "Wireless sensor networks: a survey," which provides the basis for modern research in WSNs. The paper provides a

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definition for a Wireless Sensor Network: "a group of densely deployed sensor nodes that collaborate to monitor physical or environmental conditions." The authors also proposed a new protocol stack that consists of a special five-layer model: physical, data link, network, transport, and application layers, along with management planes for power, mobility, and tasks to ensure extreme energy efficiency and scalability. The study identified key design constraints such as fault tolerance, low production costs, and hardware limitations, which helped shift the focus of WSNs from military applications to multi-domain applications like the ones in your project: agriculture and healthcare.

**Sudevalayam and Kulkarni (2011) [2]** was a major leap forward for WSN research by addressing the critical limitation of "energy sustainability" through their survey "Energy Harvesting Sensor Networks: A Survey." The previous framework by Akyildiz et al. (2002) was focused on effectively managing finite battery life. The current paper, however, delves into the shift towards nodes that harvest energy from their surroundings, such as solar, vibration, and thermal gradients. The authors discussed different categories of EH sources and storage. They also discussed how "perpetual" sources of power require new approaches to MAC and routing protocols. The authors introduced the concept of "Energy-Neutral Operation" (ENO), which is a theoretical framework that allows for "unbounded" operation as long as "the total energy consumed is less than or equal to the total energy harvested." This is particularly important to your project's "Smart Agriculture and Industrial Monitoring" domain, as it is often difficult to recharge batteries in remote and hazardous locations.

**Patil and Thorat (2018) [3]** who designed an affordable IoT-based integrated monitoring system suitable for an agricultural scenario. The contribution of this paper to the domain of smart systems is the demonstration of the transition from localized monitoring of data to remote accessibility, with the help of an Android smartphone application used as a central hub for the visualization of remote soil and atmospheric conditions. This contribution is highly relevant to your project, as it demonstrates a pathway for the utilization of mobile devices to address the gap between smart systems and actuating devices.

**Jadhav et al. (2020) [4]** contributed to the discourse on modern sensor networks by examining the intersection between Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN) and the Internet of Things (IoT), particularly in the context of Industry 4.0. The research highlights the fact that, as traditional sensor nodes evolve to intelligent "IoT objects," the primary concern moves

away from the collection of sensor data to network security and reliability. The authors offer a comprehensive taxonomy on security risks like Denial of Service (DoS) attacks and advocate for a "security by design"-based approach to the utilization of hardware like Arduino, which is characterized by limited resources. The research is highly relevant to the domains you've identified for your project, particularly in relation to fault tolerance, which can be achieved with the localized buzzer and LCD alerts you've implemented to ensure system reliability even in the event that the wireless Bluetooth connection is interrupted.

**Zhu and Yu (2016) [5]** emphasized the significance of Big Data analytics in conjunction with Cloud Computing in Wireless Sensor Networks, with the authors addressing the issue of effectively managing the massive amounts of data being generated through heterogeneous sensor nodes. The research paper discusses how a WSN can be transformed from a mere collection of nodes to a highly advanced Intelligent Monitoring System through the utilization of cloud storage and processing capabilities. The authors have emphasized the significance of "Data Fusion" techniques, whereby diverse sets of data, such as that being sensed by atmospheric, agricultural, and health sensors in your project, are fused to gain a more accurate view of the surroundings. The authors' emphasis on the shift towards data analytics in WSNs provides a theoretical basis for the visualization features in your Android application, thereby proving that the true potential of WSNs lies not merely in sensing, but in the intelligent interpretation of sensed data for remote decision-making.

**Gaikwad et al. (2019) [6]** is research that delves into the practical viability of IoT-based automation within Smart Agriculture, with particular emphasis on building intelligent irrigation systems using Wireless Sensor Networks. The research is focused on building autonomous feedback loops that utilize real-time data from sensors such as soil moisture and temperature to perform actions through microcontrollers without any human intervention. For instance, this research shows how platforms like Arduino can be used to manage resource allocation effectively, which is a direct precedent for the practical viability of the agricultural module of your project. The research is an example of how precision farming is being encouraged through the utilization of sensors and actuators that work in tandem with a centralized controller to improve water conservation.

**Panchal, Shah, and Kothari (2017) [7]** is a detailed analysis of Wireless Sensor Network (WSN)

applications within the Healthcare domain, with a focus on "Smart Hospital" development and patient monitoring. The research work demonstrates the importance of using specialized sensors such as heart rate and  $\text{SpO}_2$  sensors to provide medical professionals with real-time physiological data. The research work has discussed how the integration of sensor nodes with an Android-based platform is critical to provide continuous health monitoring outside of clinical environments, which is important for elderly care and emergency situations. The research work has discussed the technical challenges of data accuracy and low latency, which is important to provide an academic basis for the healthcare module of your project, especially justifying the importance of using the MAX30100 sensor to bridge the gap between hardware data acquisition and mobile-based health visualization.

**Ahmad et al. (2021) [8]** investigated the application of integrating Wireless Sensor Networks with Cloud Computing. The study aimed at addressing the storage and processing limitations of microcontrollers in monitoring systems. The study indicates that WSNs can be integrated with cloud computing to provide scalability in monitoring systems. The authors argue that microcontrollers, such as Arduino, can effectively provide real-time responses for actuators in monitoring systems. The authors also indicate that the cloud can provide a platform for long-term trend analysis. The study provides a contemporary academic context for your project's application of an Android application. The study validates the application of integrating local sensor systems with cloud computing in providing a sophisticated platform for monitoring systems. The study indicates that monitoring systems can effectively provide responses in agriculture, industry, and healthcare.

**Singh and Raval (2023) [9]** have conducted a recent study on the current scenario of IoT-based smart monitoring systems, especially focusing on the implementation of edge computing and multi-sensor fusion technology. This study by the researchers reiterates the fact that the current smart sensor networks should be able to process different data streams concurrently, such as temperature, gas, and physiological signals, to obtain a comprehensive view of the environment being monitored. This study has also highlighted the fact that the implementation of an Android application as a mobile gateway has the ability to perform decentralized monitoring, thus minimizing the requirement of constant human involvement in the monitoring process, especially in hazardous environments. This recent study serves as a perfect academic backing to your project, as it proves

the current standard of implementing a multi-domain architecture using a single Arduino Mega board to monitor different domains such as industrial safety and healthcare.

**Basha and Anand (2020) [10]** specifically deals with the design and implementation of IoT-based home automation and industrial safety systems. The authors have specifically discussed the implementation of gas sensor modules and fire detection modules in the safety system. The paper discusses in detail the implementation of the MQ2 sensor with microcontrollers to design an intelligent alerting system. The authors have specifically emphasized the importance of a multimodal alerting system, including physical buzzers, LCD displays, and mobile notifications, to ensure user safety in the event of a network failure. The research paper justifies the relevance of the project in the context of the industrial domain, confirming the importance of integrating real-time sensor monitoring with buzzer responses.

### III. SYSTEM DESIGN

The Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System has a multi-layered design that integrates hardware sensors with mobile-based user intervention. The system has a modular design that groups functions into perception, communication, and application layers.

#### 1. Hardware Layer (Perception and Actuation)

The Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System has Arduino Mega 2560 as its central processing unit. It integrates a variety of sensors and actuators through four distinct domains:

- **Agriculture Domain:** The system utilizes a soil moisture sensor to detect hydration levels. Upon detection of dryness, Arduino triggers a DC water pump using an L293D motor driver.
- **Healthcare Domain:** The system utilizes the MAX30100 sensor to detect heart rates and blood pressure levels. The system displays this data locally on a 16x2 LCD display and transmits it to the app.
- **Smart Home Domain:** The system utilizes a DHT11 sensor to detect ambient temperatures and humidity. Upon detection of high temperatures, a DC fan is automatically switched on using an L293D motor driver.
- **Industrial Domain:** The system utilizes an MQ2 gas and flame sensor to detect hazardous situations. Upon detection of a leak or flame, a local buzzer is switched on along with an LCD display.

#### 2. Communication Layer

For the data transmission, wireless communication is used by the HC-05 Bluetooth module.

- **Protocol:** It uses a serial protocol to communicate the data sent by the sensors to the Arduino board and then to the mobile device.
- **Range:** This communication protocol is best suited for short-range communication within a home, farm, or industry.

### 3. Application Layer (User Interface)

It is connected to an Android-based mobile application.

- **Live Monitoring:** It can display the data sent by the sensors in real time.

- **Manual Control:** This feature is used to override the system and manually control the actuators using the mobile device.

### 4. System Design Summary

Below is a table that shows the major architecture of your Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System, which breaks down the complicated project into major functional modules. Every row of the table shows a specific requirement of the system and the hardware/software used to implement the requirement.

Feature	Implementation
Control Unit	Arduino Mega 2560
Connectivity	Bluetooth (HC-05)
User Interface	Android Mobile App + 16x2 LCD
Actuator Control	L293D Motor Driver (Pump/Fan)
Alert Mechanism	Buzzer + Mobile Notifications

## IV. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SYSTEM

Implementation of the Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System involves the integration of a multi-sensor array and a central processing unit for the purpose of automated environment management and monitoring remotely. The Circuit diagram of Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System is shown in figure 1.

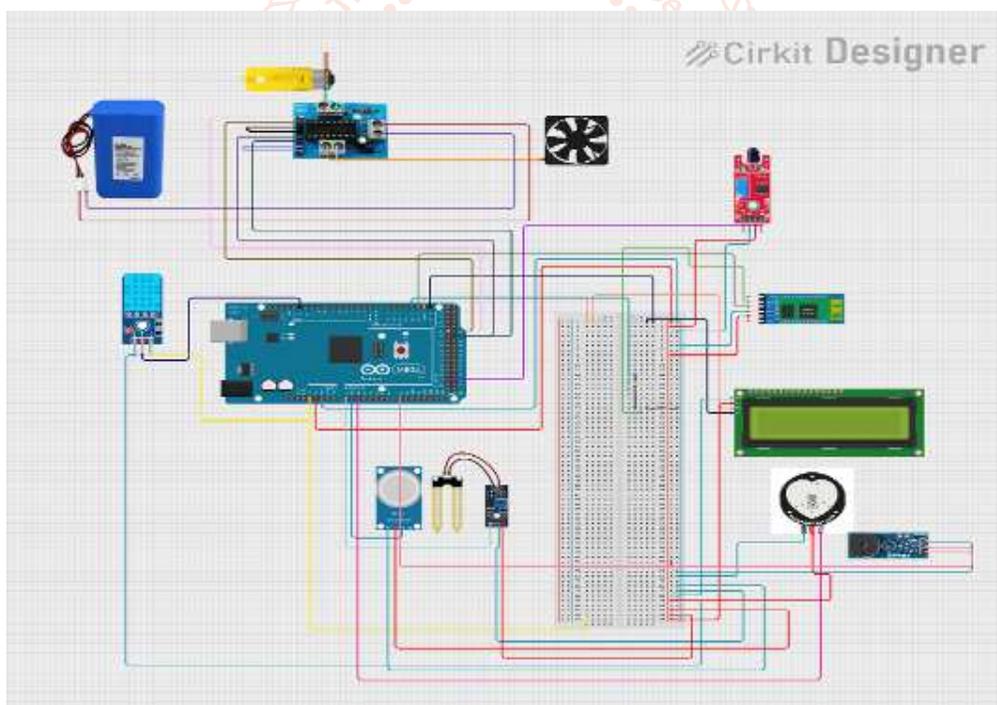


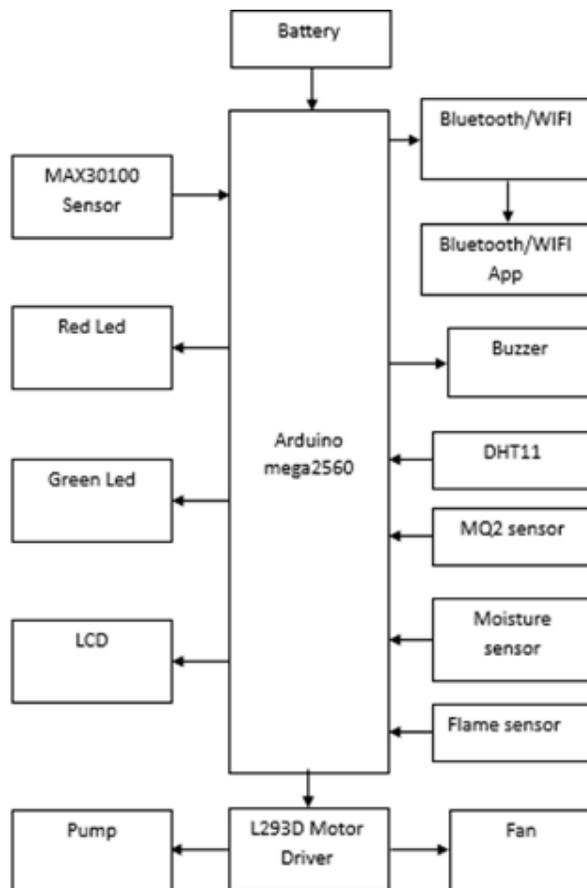
Fig 1: Circuit Diagram of WSN monitoring and environment control system

### 1. Hardware Architecture and Integration

Hardware implementation is mainly based on the Arduino Mega 2560 board, which acts as the main controller for all operations. The block diagram of Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System is shown in below figure 2.

- **Sensing Layer:** Five different sensors have been included for the purpose of data acquisition from different domains. These include a MAX30100 for health vitals, a DHT11 for ambient conditions, an MQ2 for gas detection, a Moisture sensor for the agriculture domain, and a Flame sensor for fire safety.
- **Actuation Layer:** For the purpose of bridging the gap between low-power signals and high-power devices, the L293D Motor Driver is used for controlling the Water Pump and the Cooling Fan.

- **Output and Alerts:** The use of a 16x2 LCD and individual Red and Green LEDs is made for local feedback. In addition to this, a Buzzer is also included for immediate alerts in the case of hazards.
- **Power Supply:** The entire hardware stack is powered by a central Battery unit.



**Fig 2: Block Diagram of WSN monitoring and environment control system**

## 2. Wireless Communication and Interface

Another important part of the implementation is the creation of a wireless interface that would provide remote access.

- **Data Transmission:** The Arduino uses a Bluetooth/WiFi module to wirelessly send the received sensor data packets.
- **Mobile Synchronization:** A Bluetooth/WiFi App specifically designed to parse the received data and provide real-time visualization on the mobile interface.

## 3. Operational Logic

The implementation logic is a "Sense-Process-Act" cycle.

- **Sense:** The Arduino constantly requests sensor readings from the sensor array.
- **Process:** The Arduino compares the received sensor readings with threshold values (for example, certain moisture or temperature limits).
- **Act:** The Arduino sends a signal to the L293D to run the pump or fan, or the Buzzer if the MQ2 or Flame sensor detects danger.

## 4. Implementation Summary Table

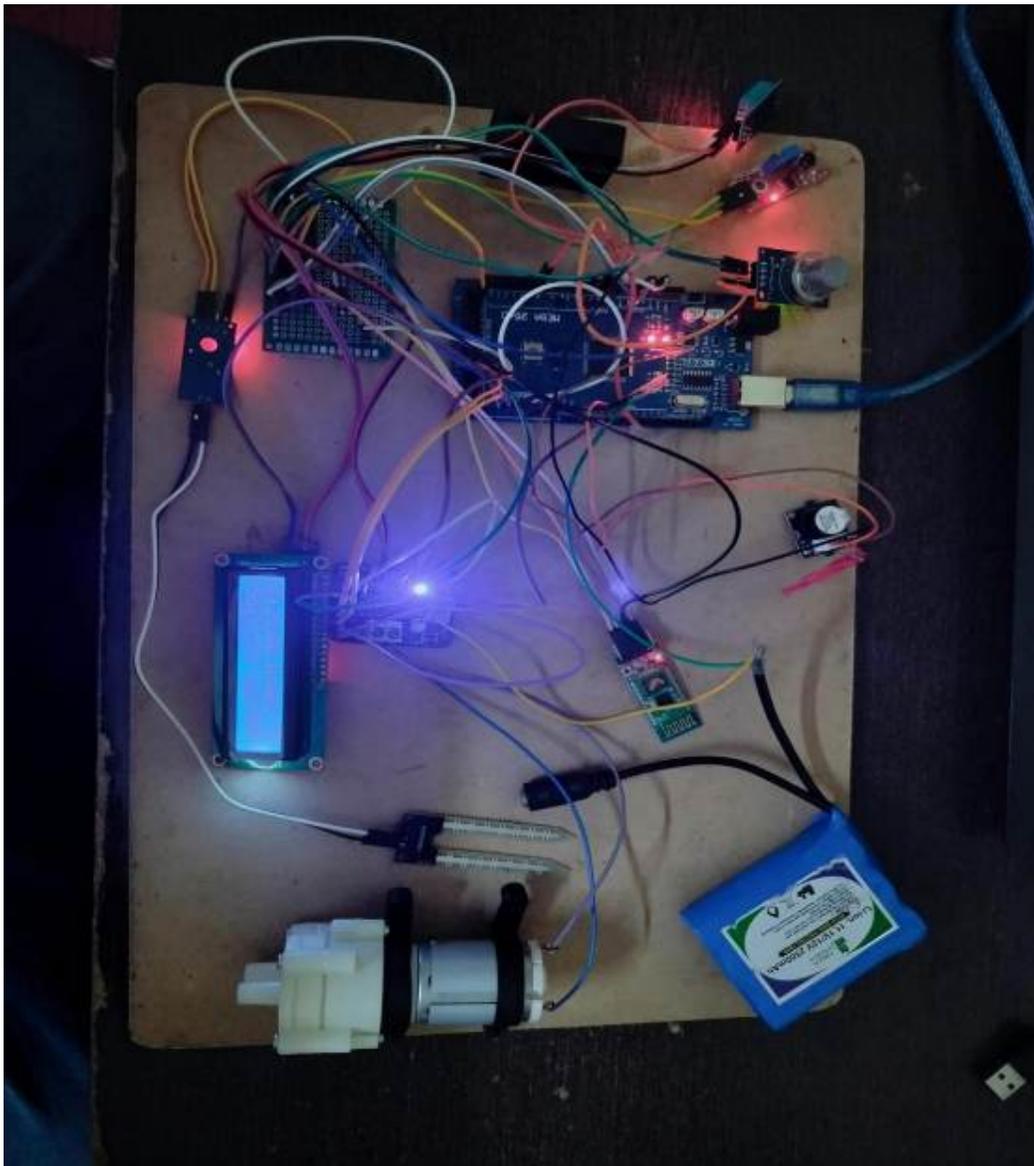
Components phase and purpose of the Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System is shown in figure 3.

Phase	Components	Purpose
Control	Arduino Mega 2560	Central processing and logic execution.
Monitoring	DHT11, MQ2, MAX30100, Moisture, Flame	Real-time data acquisition across domains.
Response	L293D, Pump, Fan, Buzzer	Physical environment control and safety alerts.
Display	LCD, LEDs, Mobile App	Dual-layer user feedback and visualization.

**Fig 3: Phase & Purpose of the Components.**

## V. RESULT

The results show that the Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System can function as a fully integrated, multi-functional prototype in terms of autonomous environment management as well as data visualization. The system can successfully manage four different domains. In the Agriculture domain, the system successfully utilized the soil moisture sensor to automatically turn on the water pump using the L293D driver. In the Healthcare domain, the system continuously displays the heart rate and levels using the MAX30100 sensor. In the Smart Home domain, the DHT11 sensor successfully regulates the ambient temperature by automatically turning on the cooling fan. In the Industrial domain, the MQ2 sensor and the flame sensor successfully trigger immediate buzzer alarm messages to the mobile device in case of any hazard. All the data being transmitted to the Android application through the Bluetooth/Wi-Fi module was successfully displayed using the 16x2 LCD display as well as the LED display. The final Hardware implementation prototype is shown in figure 4.



**Fig 4: Hardware implementation prototype.**

## VI. CONCLUSION

The Wireless Sensor Network Monitoring and Environment Control System has successfully demonstrated an efficient and cost-effective approach to multi-domain automation and real-time data visualization. The project has effectively automated critical responses such as irrigation through a water pump and temperature control through a cooling fan, while also ensuring high safety standards by

incorporating buzzer alerts and mobile notifications. The implementation of an HC-05 Bluetooth module and a centralized Android app have effectively bridged the gap between hardware sensing and user accessibility, allowing seamless data monitoring and accessibility within the domain of agriculture, healthcare, and industry. The project has effectively validated the efficacy of a "Sense-Process-Act" approach, demonstrating that a single system can be

effectively used to improve operational efficiency and safety within a variety of environmental settings. The project has effectively demonstrated data transmission to a mobile dashboard and a local 16x2 LCD display, allowing users to stay informed of all system statuses, from physiological data to hazardous gas levels. The project has effectively provided a comprehensive platform for future IoT-based projects, demonstrating an efficient prototype that effectively balances hardware control with user-centric digital interfaces.

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