IOT BASED GREENHOUSE MONITORING SYSTEM

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Abstract:

Keeping plants healthy and prosperous requires the best possible growing environment. But staying on top of all environmental changes and equipment statuses or failures can be a challenge. Green house temperature should not go below a certain degree, High humidity can result to crop transpiration, condensation of water vapor on various greenhouse surfaces, and water evaporation from the humid soil. Maintaining a controlled temperature within a greenhouse environment is crucial.Temperature fluctuations can damage or kill yourplants in only a few hours. Internet of Things(IOT) is one of the latest advances in Information and Communication Technologies, providing global connectivity and management of sensors, devices, users with information. In today's greenhouses, many parameter measurements are required to monitor andcontrol for the good quality and productivity of plants. The sensors used here are moisture sensor , Temperature & Humidity sensor. The other importantpart of this project is that it is fully automatic. Arduino automatically turns on and turns off the appliances. From the data's received, Raspberry PI3 automatically controls Moisture and Temperature. Where the recorded temperature and humidity are stored in a cloud database and the results are displayed in a webpage, from where the user can viewthem directly.

***Keywords**-Sensors, Arduino, LCD display, Raspberry PI3*

I INTRODUCTION

Crop production is a challenging business, with the crops being constantly exposed to unfavorable weather conditions. Weather and climate conditions play an important role in determining the pace of crop production. However, during times when the global food security stronglydepends on crop production, there is no place for any limitations. Therefore, the search for solutions resulted in farm management practices that involve farming in a controlled environment. Greenhouse farming is one of the basic variations of farming in a controlled environment .Greenhouse farming is the unique farm practice of growing crops within sheltered structures covered by a transparent, or partially transparent, material. The main purpose of greenhouses is to provide favorable growing conditions and to protect crops from unfavorable weather and various pests.

Green house vegetable farm

Fig: 1.Model of Greenhouse Vegetable Farm

Greenhouse farming is a broad term that involves various types of sheltered structures. Important elements that are associated with this type of farming include:

- **Shape** of the structure

- **Lifespan**

- **Cover material**

- **Size** of the farm

- **Level of farm management technology**

Considering the different types of structure, theterm *Greenhouse farming* also includes:

Shade house   Screen house

Fig: 2 Types of Greenhouse

Glasshouses; structures covered with glass

- **Shade houses**; covered in woven or other material with gaps that allow sunlight, air, and moisture to pass

- **Screen houses;** covered with screening material that provides protection from pests and severe weather conditions, mostly practiced in hot or tropical areas

- **Crop top structures;** structures without walls, covered only with a roof

A greenhouse (also called a glasshouse or a hothouse) is a building or complex in which plants are grown. These structures range in size from small sheds to industrial-sized buildings. A greenhouse is a structural building with different types of covering materials, such as a glass or plastic roof and frequently glass or plastic walls; it heats up becauseincoming visible sunshine is absorbed inside the structure. Air warmed by the heat from warmed interior surfaces is retained in the building by the roof and wall; the air that is warmed near the groundis prevented from rising indefinitely and flowing away.
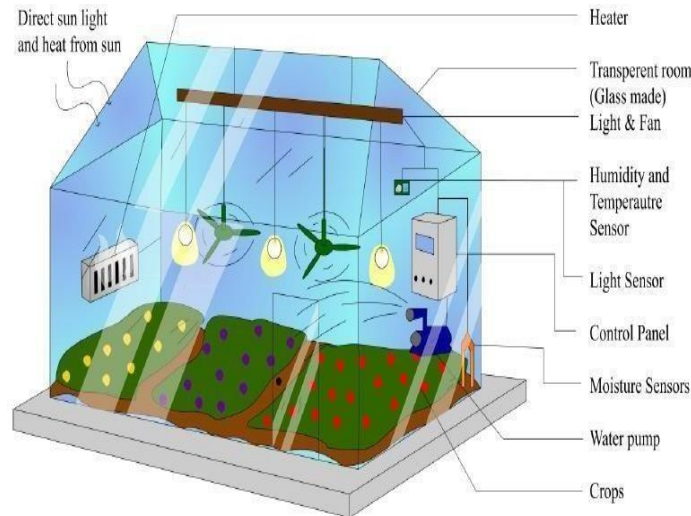
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Fig: 3 Greenhouse monitoring system

In domestic greenhouses the glass used is typically 3mm (or 1/8") 'horticultural glass' grade, which is not generally as clear or free from imperfections as that used in office buildings. Plastics mostly used are polyethylene film and multiwall sheets of material, or PMMA acrylic glass. Commercial glass greenhouses are often high-tech production facilities for vegetables or flowers. The glass greenhouses are filled with equipment such as screening installations, heating, cooling and lighting, and may be automatically controlled by a computer. Climate Control Systems is sought after internationally for greenhouse automation technology. During last decades, Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN) are used in many environmental monitoring applications, such as methane leak detection, radioactive radiation leakage.

1.1 ARDUINO UNO

The Arduino UNO is an open-source microcontroller board based on the Microchip ATMega328p microcontroller and developed by ARDUINO. The board is equipped with sets of digital and Analog input/output (I/O) pins that may be interfaced to various expansion boards (shields) and other circuits. The board has 14 Digital pins, 6 Analog pins, and programmable with the ARDUINO IDE (Integrated Development Environment) via a type B USB cable. It can be powered by a USB cable or by anexternal 9 volt battery, though it accepts voltagesbetween 7 and 20 volts. It is also similar to the Arduino Nano and Leonardo.

Fig:4 ARDUINO UNO

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1.2 MOISTURE SENSOR

Moisture sensor is used to measure the water content(moisture) of soil. when the soil is having water shortage, the module output is at high level, else the output is at low level. This sensor reminds the user to water their plants and also monitors the moisture content of soil. Soil Moisture Sensor uses capacitance to measure dielectric permittivity of the surrounding medium. In soil, dielectric permittivity is a function of the water content. The sensor creates a voltage proportional to the dielectric permittivity, and therefore the water content of the soil. The sensor averages the water content over the entire length of the sensor. It is used to measure the loss of moisture over time due to evaporation and plant uptake, evaluate optimum soil moisture contents for various species of plants, monitor soil moisture content to control irrigation in greenhouses and enhance bottle biology experiments.

- Working Voltage:5V
- Working Current:<20mA
- Interface type: Analog
- Working Temperature:10°C~30°C

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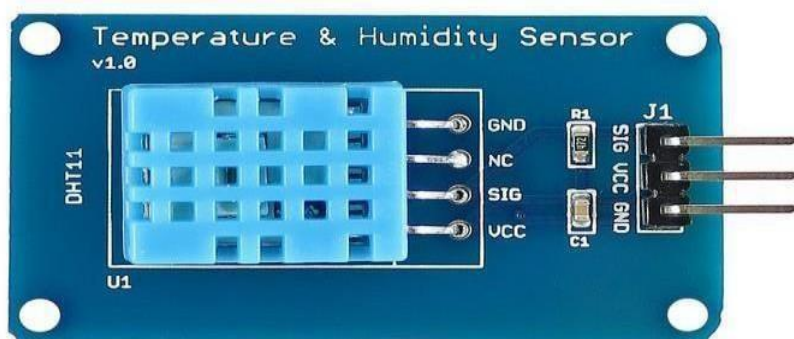

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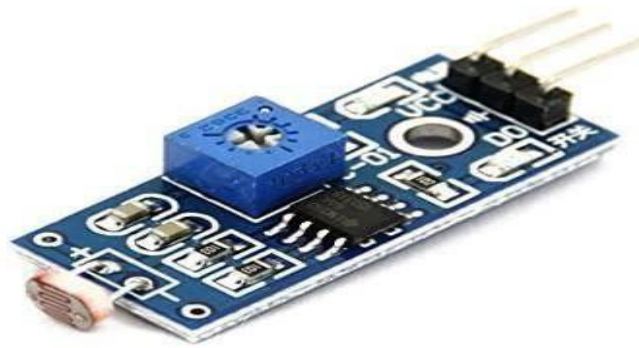
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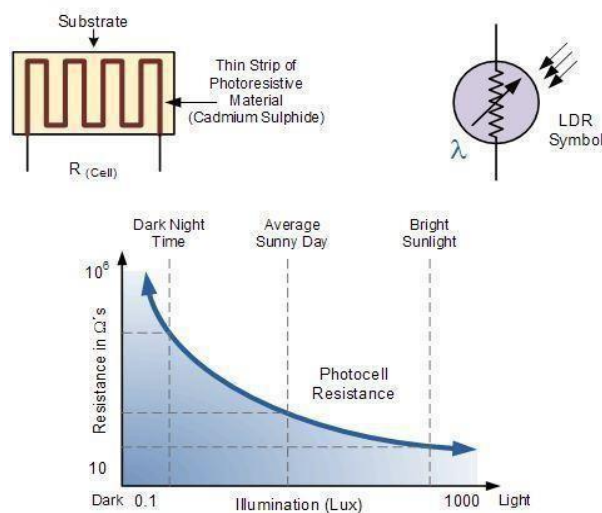
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Thangavel Bhuvaneswari , has proposed a method for the Gardening is one of the popular hobbies among the people in the midst of busy work culture and urban life style. Gardening seems to release the stress, healthy spending of the leisure time effectively. But the apartment living has no free space for gardening. As a result, small

scale greenhouse is now the hottest trend in the century. Greenhouse is a structure that the user used to grow the plants. It is built with a specific need for the type of plant they wish to grow. So the structure varies depending on type of plant and scale of size. Although it creates a perfect environment for plants, it needs human care to control the optimum status of the house such as ventilation. Automated greenhouse is to ease people when they wish to grow plants. It helps to monitor the situation, when they are not at home. The main aim of this paper is to minimize the human care needed for the plant by automating the green house and monitor the in- house environment status. A single unit of the greenhouse structure prototype has been constructed and integrated with the sensors. The control system is designed with Adriano Uno microcontroller. Servo motors have been used to push the roof when there is rain detected. A 12 volt fan is also installed and turns ON when the temperature is too high. The prototype developed is simulated under five different places and the results are analysed.

Weimin Qiu (2014), has proposed a method for them to meet the requirements in real- time, reliability and sustainability for crop- growth environment monitoring in greenhouse precision agriculture, this paper designed intelligent greenhouse environment monitoring control system which is based on ZigBee and embedded technologies, in order to achieve intelligent control greenhouse crops growing environment. The system is based on ZigBee wireless network, using temperature and humidity sensors, light intensity sensors for real-time detection of greenhouse environmental factors, sending to the upper machine though wireless, comparing with the default values, adopting the idea of intelligent home, achieving intelligent control for the greenhouse fans, lights, irrigation equipment.

III METHODOLOGY

In this paper, our proposed system receives three parameters from the sensors and activates the actuators if the actual values are more than the threshold values and also stores these values in the database enabling them to be accessed from anywhere, anytime.

This paper also sheds light on the automatic control over the climatic conditions inside the greenhouse. There are different seasonal crops which can be grown only under certain conditions. Onions, garlic, shallots etc. are the winter crops which require cold conditions for their growth. Cucumbers, melons etc. are the summer crops which require moderate or hot climatic conditions.

The prototype we used comprises of moisture sensors, temperature & humidity sensors, Raspberry PI and water pipes to supply water from tank controlled by DC motors. Moisture sensors (YL 69) are installed near the roots and temperature & humidity (DHT11) sensor is installed further away to detect the temperature and humidity. These sensors send their data to the Raspberry PI to analyses the results.

The Raspberry PI will turn the inlet value on, to water the spinach, until the soil moisture value becomes greater than the threshold value. greenhouse, if the temperature and humidity values are above the reference value (calculated according to then crop – spinach),to maintain them to be within the threshold levels, sliding door will be opened and fan will be switched ON.
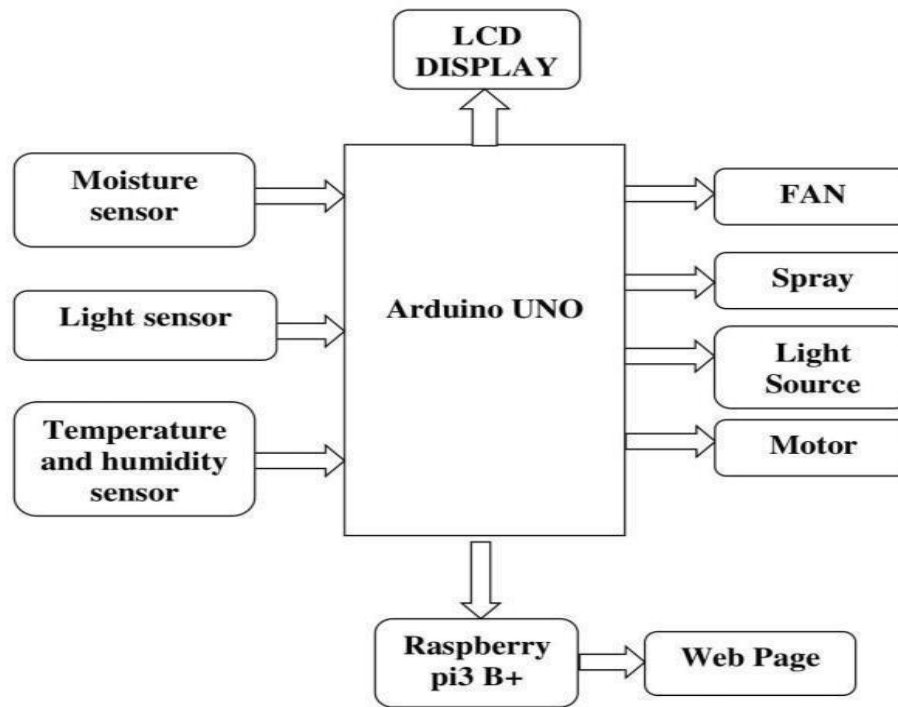
Fig: 10 Block diagram of proposed system

IV CONCLUSION

In this paper, we proposed a IOT based greenhouse monitoring system over conventional farm is that we were able to produce insecticide free and pesticide free crops and create a climate for the proper growth of plants . Moreover, this system can be installed by any individual in his house (Rooftop greenhouse), who doesn't have knowledge about farming. Since we can maintain any climatic condition in this type of Greenhouse, it is possible to expand any type of crop. Hence, we grow plants like Hibiscus which are imported to India. We can reduce 70%-80% water requirement. It also increases yield and rate of growth and produces organic agricultural products. Most vital' we are able to connect farmer directly to consumer using IOT. It reduces effort and time of farmer for making farming efficient and profitable activity. The Smart Greenhouse can be further upgraded in many way and can be used in wide agriculture applications. It can be placed as well as operated in any of the environmental conditions to grow any kind of vegetation. Non- conventional energy sources such as solar panels, wind mills are used to supply power to the automatic greenhouse equipment . Smart greenhouse has a blazing scope of future in agriculture field and it will create a revolution in the way the agriculture is carried out in India. This project could be beneficial as it will help in advancing the assets in the nursery.

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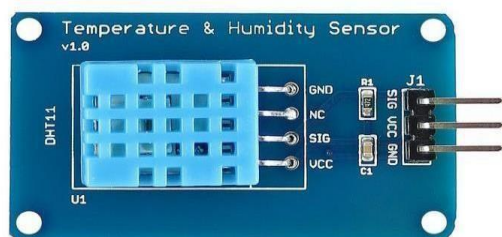
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Advantage of pi3 B+

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- It works as a normal computer at low cost server to handle web traffic.

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- to 5V power and I/O
- 2.5mA max current use during conversion (while requesting data)
- Good for 20-80% humidity readings

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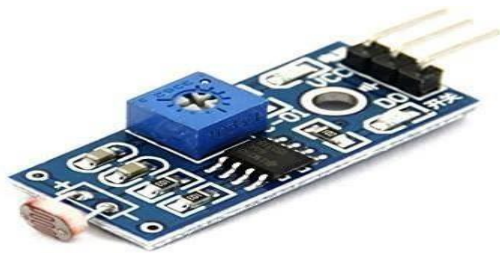

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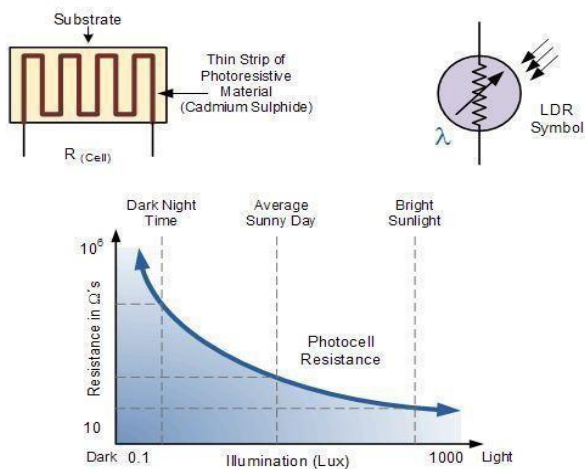

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Thangavel Bhuvaneswari , has proposed a method for the Gardening is one of the popular hobbies among the people in the midst of busy work culture and urban life style. Gardening seems to release the stress, healthy spending of the leisure time effectively. But the apartment living has no free space for gardening. As a result, small scale greenhouse is now the hottest trend in the century. Greenhouse is a structure that the user used to grow the plants. It is built with a specific need for the type of plant they wish to grow. So the structure varies depending on type of plant and scale of size. Although it creates a perfect environment for plants, it needs human care to control the optimum status of the house such as ventilation. Automated greenhouse is to ease people when they wish to grow plants. It helps to monitor the situation, when they are not at home. The main aim of this paper is to minimize the human care needed for the plant by automating the green house and monitor the in- house environment status. A single unit of the greenhouse structure prototype has been constructed and integrated with the sensors. The control system is designed with Adriano Uno microcontroller. Servo motors have been used to push the roof when there is rain detected. A 12 volt fan is also installed and turns ON when the temperature is too high. The prototype developed is simulated under five different places and the results are analysed.

Weimin Qiu (2014), has proposed a method for them to meet the requirements in real- time, reliability and sustainability for crop- growth environment monitoring in greenhouse precision agriculture, this paper designed

intelligent greenhouse environment monitoring control system which is based on ZigBee and embedded technologies, in order to achieve intelligent control greenhouse crops growing environment. The system is based on ZigBeewireless network, using temperature and humidity sensors, light intensity sensors for real-time detection of greenhouse environmental factors, sending to the upper machine though wireless, comparing with the default values, adopting the idea of intelligent home, achieving intelligent control for the greenhouse fans, lights, irrigation equipment.

III METHODOLOGY

In this paper, our proposed system receives three parameters from the sensors and activates the actuators if the actual values are more than the threshold values and also stores these values in the database enabling them to be accessed from anywhere, anytime.

This paper also sheds light on the automatic control over the climatic conditions inside the greenhouse. There are different seasonal crops which can be grown only under certain conditions. Onions, garlic, shallots etc. are the winter crops which require cold conditions for their growth. Cucumbers, melons etc. are the summer crops which require moderate or hot climatic conditions.

The prototype we used comprises of moisture sensors, temperature & humidity sensors, Raspberry PI and water pipes to supply water from tank controlled by DC motors. Moisture sensors (YL 69) are installed near the roots and temperature & humidity (DHT11) sensor is installed further away to detect the temperature and humidity. These sensors send their data to the Raspberry PI to analyses the results.

The Raspberry PI will turn the inlet value on, to water the spinach, until the soilmoisture value becomes greater than the threshold value. greenhouse, if the temperature and humidity values are above the reference value (calculated according to then crop – spinach),to maintain them to be within the threshold levels, sliding door will be opened andfan will be switched ON.
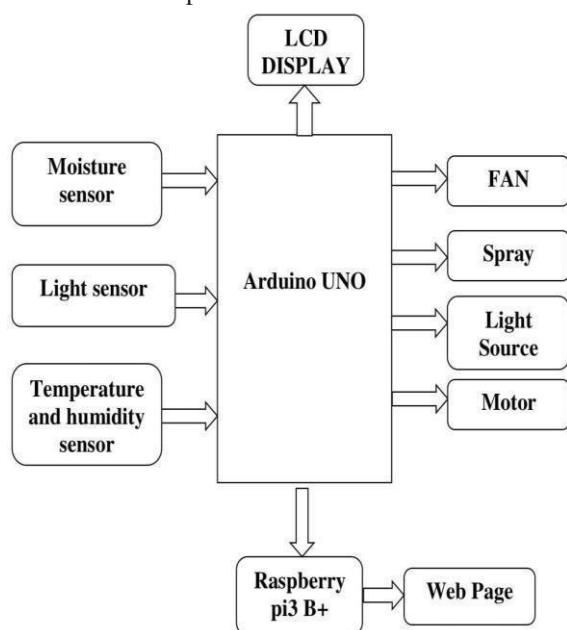

Fig:10 Block diagram of proposed system

Advantage of proposed systems:

- Low cost setup.

- Total automation of greenhouses / nurseries /bio tech parks.

- It can be used domestically.

- Easy to use, install, operate & troubleshoot.

- Useful for small scale farmers and greenhouseowners.

- Reliable less power consume

- Direct connection between farmer and buyer,honey production

- Satisfactory result as per crop need, healthyplant growth.

APPLICATION OF PROPOSED SYSTEM

- Determines the plant growth as well asproductivity.

- Sends the status of the sensor through webpage.

- Beneficial to human beings.

- Data security plays a major role inmonitoring .

IV CONCLUSION

In this paper, we proposed a IOT based greenhouse monitoring system over conventional farm is that we were able to produce insecticide freeand pesticide free crops and create a climate for theproper growth of plants . Moreover, this system can be installed by any individual in his house (Rooftop greenhouse), who doesn't have knowledge about farming. Since we can maintain any climatic condition in this type of Greenhouse, it is possible to expand any type of crop. Hence, we grow plants like Hibiscus which are imported to India. We can reduce 70%-80% water requirement. It also increases yield and rate of growth and produces organic agricultural products. Most vital' we are able to connect farmer directly to consumer using IOT. It reduces effort and time of farmer for making farming efficient and profitable activity. The SmartGreenhouse can be further upgraded in many way and can be used in wide agriculture applications. It can be placed as well as operated in any of the environmental conditions to grow any kind of vegetation. Non- conventional energy sources such as solar panels, wind mills are used to supply powerto the automatic greenhouse equipment . Smart greenhouse has a blazing scope of future in agriculture field and it will create a revolution in theway the agriculture is carried out in India. This project could be beneficial as it will help in advancing the assets in the nursery.

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