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ABSTRACT

In the modern world, intelligent control has become The priority, although energy-saving services remain It is controlled by traditional methods. traditional way Expensive, time consuming and human power required To monitor and collect data that consumers may It also leads to human errors. GSM proposed system Integrates digital energy meters installed in the consumer unit with Electricity supply companies for monitoring, configuration and control Energy flow. in a This two-way communication system, GSM network is used To determine the flow of energy with the help of SMS to energy Resource and display it on the power supply screen Using the graphical user interface it is also possible to communicate with the user via SMS.

Relay circuit and LCD screen are provided for information update Such as voltage, current, units, and bills .

The main problem with the current meters is that they are recharged by the human element in their presence in the place of the electric meter itself. The GSM system allows us to recharge from anywhere via the phone by SMS text messages.

المستخلص

في العالم الحديث, أصبح التحكم الذكي أولوية, علي الرغم من بقاء خدمات توفير الطاقة, و لكن يتم التحكم فيها من خلال الأساليب التقليدية. الطرق التقليدية باهظة الثمن و تستغرق وقتا طويلا وتحتاج إلى قوة بشرية لمراقبة و جمع البيانات التي قد تؤدي إلى أخطاء بشرية. يدمج نظام الاتصال اللاسلكي المقترح عدادات الطاقة الرقمية المثبتة في وحدة المستهلك مع شركات الإمداد بالكهرباء لمراقبة تدفق الطاقة وتكوينه والتحكم فيه.

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CHAPTER ONE INTRODUCTIN

1.1 Preface

In smart metering system as proposed in research with the ability to communicate wirelessly, commands are sent to the meter via SMS and the meter replies with the relevant energy consumption readings again via SMS. In this way it allows both the power supply companies and the user to have a better monitoring of the energy consumed by the load. Smart Energy has been an important conceptual paradigm for future energy use. How to make energy use more efficient and effective is very critical for future social and economic developments due to limited availability of non-renewable energy resources and expensive ways of acquiring renewable energies [1]. Over the last few years, Smart Energy Meter has been proposed as an innovative solution aimed at facilitating affordability and reducing the cost of utilities [2]. The existing energy meter has mechanical construction with various erroneous, tiresome and insecure meter reading methods. The problem with this system is that it requires man power, time consuming and causes error. So there is a need of smart energy meter which will provide bill to consumer both as an SMS along with other inbuilt features such as tamper proof, fault detection etc. [3]. In addition, the online approach generates alerts about consumptions of energy as and when required according to a predefined pricing structure through a call/email/short text message [4]. Unlike traditional meter, a smart meter is well equipped digitally to provide better power theft-detection. Smart meters having capabilities based on different internet protocol to communication reliably for performing real-time operations like billing, quality assurance, load notifications [5-6]. They are digital meters that offer two-way communication, unlike the oneway manual services of traditional meters, allowing for more interactivity between the consumer and utility [7]. Smart meters are widely used around the world such as UK, Japan, New Zealand, Canada, USA, Italy and Netherlands. A lot of research work is being done on this project in countries abroad as well as in some areas of Pakistan [8-9].

1.2 Problem Statement

Every time a customer (end-user of currently used meters) wants to recharge their energy meter, they would have to go all the way to the utility company to buy electricity and receive a voucher that is then must be taken back to the location of the meter and is entered through a keypad. This is a very

tiresome process for electricity recharge, especially if the location of the meter is far from the utility company. Moreover, in case the electricity runs out, the period of time the facility where the meter is installed stays offline until it is once more recharged may be critical depending on the facility itself (home, hospital, mainframe server...etc.)

1.3 Objective

The objectives of thesis search are:

- To study GSM technology.
- To understand Automatic meter reading (AMR).
- To analyze, design, simulation and implementation energy meter.

1.4 Methodology

The method used to carry out this thesis is the principle of wireless communication in collaboration with embedded system. The thesis has an electric meter which will work with GSM which is the lowest cost technology used for communication. By using Proteus simulation program meter and transceiver circuits were built and tested properly. Real meter and transceiver circuits were designed and worked properly in communion with microcontroller.

1.5 Thesis outlines

Chapter one: is the introduction to this thesis. This chapter discusses the objectives and Methodology. It also provides an outline of the thesis.

Chapter two: introduces necessary background over view of the thesis.

Chapter three: describes the simulation component and Software used to implement AMR meter.

Chapter four: presents the results and discusses of this study.

Chapter five: conclusion and recommendations of the search and presents suggestions for future work.

CHAPTER TWO POWER METERS PRINCIPLES

2.1 Introduction

The Electrical metering instrument technology has come a long way from what it was more than 100 years ago. From the original bulky meters with heavy magnets and coils, there have been many innovations that have resulted in size & weight reduction in addition to improvement in features and specifications. Resolution and accuracy of the meter have seen substantial improvements over the years. Introduction of the digital meter in the later part of last century has completely changed the way Electrical parameters are measured. Starting with Voltmeters & Ammeters, the digital meter has conquered the entire spectrum of measuring instruments due to their advantages like ease of reading, better resolution and rugged construction. Of particular significance is the introduction of the Electronic Energy Meter in the mid eighties. Now a days, the energy consumption and energy distribution has became a big subject for discussion because of huge difference in energy production and consumption. In this regard, energy consumers are facing so many problems due to the frequent power failures; another important reason for power cuts is due to the un-limited energy consumption of rich people. In this aspect, to minimize the power cuts and to distribute the energy equally to all areas, some restriction should have over the power consumption of each and every energy consumer, and according to that the Government should implement a policy, by introducing Autonomous Energy Meters everywhere in domestic sector. Hence, the need has come to think on this line and a solution has to be emerged out.

2.2 Types of meters

Electricity meters operate by continuously measuring the instantaneous voltage (volts) and current (amperes) to give energy used (in joules, kilowatt-hours etc.). Meters for smaller services (such as small residential customers) can be connected directly in-line between source and customer. For larger loads, more than about 200 ampere of load, current transformers are used, so that the meter can be located other than in line with the service conductors. The meters fall into two basic categories, electromechanical and electronic.

2.2.1 Electromechanical meters

The most common type of electricity meter is the electromechanical induction watt-hour meter. The electromechanical induction meter operates by counting the revolutions of a non- magnetic, but electrically conductive, metal disc which is made to rotate at a speed proportional to the power passing through the meter. The number of revolutions is thus proportional to the energy usage. The voltage coil consumes a small and relatively constant amount of power, typically around 2 watts which is not registered on the meter. The current coil similarly consumes a small amount of power in proportion to the square of the current flowing through it, typically up to a couple of watts at full load, which is registered on the meter.

The disc is acted upon by two sets of coils, which form, in effect, a two phase induction motor. One coil is connected in such a way that it produces a magnetic flux in proportion to the voltage and the other produces a magnetic flux in proportion to the current. The field of the voltage coil is delayed by 90 degrees, due to the coil's inductive nature, and calibrated using a lag coil. This produces eddy currents in the disc and the effect is such that a force is exerted on the disc in proportion to the product

of the instantaneous current, voltage and phase angle (power factor) between them. A permanent magnet exerts an opposing force proportional to the speed of rotation of the disc. The equilibrium between these two opposing forces results in the disc rotating at a speed proportional to the power or rate of energy usage. The disc drives a register mechanism which counts revolutions, much like the odometer in a car, in order to render a measurement of the total energy used.

The type of meter described above is used on a single-phase AC supply. Different phase configurations use additional voltage and current coils, shown in figure (2.1).

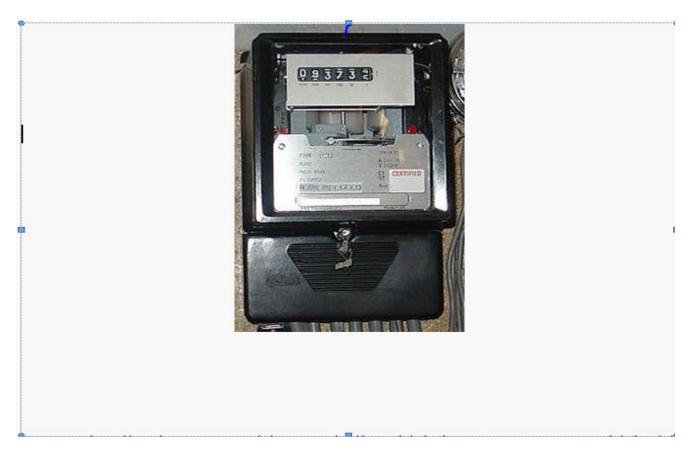


Figure 2.1: Electromechanical meter

The disc is supported by a spindle which has a worm gear which drives the register. The register is a series of dials which record the a mount of energy used. The dials may be of the cyclometer type, an odometer-like display that is easy to read where for each dial a single digit is shown through a window in the face of the meter, or of the pointer type where a pointer indicates each digit. With the dial pointer type, adjacent pointers generally rotate in opposite directions due to the gearing mechanism.

The amount of energy represented by one revolution of the disc is denoted by the symbol Kwh which is given in units of watt-hours per revolution. The value 7.2 is commonly seen. Using the value of Kwh one can determine their power consumption at any given time by timing the disc with a stopwatch.

- Where:

t = time in seconds taken by the disc tocomplete one revolution, P = power in watts.

For example, if Kwh = 7.2 as above, and one revolution took place in 14.4 seconds, the power is 1800 watts. This method can be used to determine the power consumption of household devices by switching them on one by one.

Most domestic electricity meters must be read manually, whether by a representative of the power company or by the customer. Where the customer reads the meter, the reading may be supplied to the power company by telephone, post or over the internet. The electricity company will normally require a visit by a company representative at least annually in order to verify customer-supplied readings and to make a basic safety check of the meter.

In an induction type meter, creep is a phenomenon that can adversely affect accuracy that occurs when the meter disc rotates continuously with potential applied and the load terminals open circuited. A test for error due to creep is called a creep test.

Two standards govern meter accuracy.

2.2.2 Electronic meters

Electronic meters display the energy used on an LCD or LED display, and some can also transmit readings to remote places. In addition to measuring energy used, electronic meters can also record other parameters of the load and supply such as instantaneous and maximum rate of usage demands, voltages, power factor and reactive power used etc. They can also support time-of-day billing, for example, recording the amount of energy used during on-peak and off-peak hours



Figure 2.2:Electronic meter

meters The following are the advantages of

electronic energy meter:

-Accuracy

While electromechanical meters are normally available with Class 2accuracy, Electronic meters of Class 1 accuracy are very common.

-Low Current Performance

Most of the electromechanical meters tend to run slow after a few years and stop recording at low loads typically below 40% of their basic current. This is due to increased friction at their bearings. This results in large losses in revenue since most of the residential consumers will be running at very low loads for almost 20 hours in a day. Electronic meters record consistently and accurately even at 5% of their basic current. Also they are guaranteed to start recording energy at 0.4% of their basic current.

-Low Voltage Performance

Most of the mechanical meters become inaccurate at voltages below75% of rated voltage whereas electronic meters record accurately even at 50% of rated voltage. This is a major advantage where low voltage problem is very common.

-Installation

The mechanical meter is very sensitive to the position in which it is installed. If it is not mounted vertically, it will run slow, resulting in revenue loss. Electronic meters are not sensitive

-Tamper

The mechanical meters can be tampered very easily even without disturbing the Wiring either by using an external magnet or by inserting a thin film into the meter to touch the rotating disc. In addition to these methods, in

the case of a single-phase meter, there are more than 20 conditions of external wiring that can make the meter record less. In the case of three Phase meter, external wiring can be manipulated in 4 ways to make it slow. Hence, any of these methods cannot tamper electronic meters. Moreover they can detect the tampering of meter by using LED.

2.2.3 Electronic meters New Features

Electronic meters provide many new features like prepaid metering and remote Metering that can improve the efficiency of the utility.

2.2.4 Prepayment metering

Yet another advantage of the electronic meter is the possibility of introducing Prepaid metering system. Prepaid metering system is the one in which the consumer pays money in advance to the utility and then feeds this information into his meter. The meter then updates the credit available to the consumer and starts deducting his consumption from available credit. Once the credit reaches a minimum specified value, meter raises an alarm. If the credit is completely exhausted, the meter switches off the loads of the consumer.

Main advantage of this system is that the utility can eliminate meter readers. Another benefit is that they get paid in advance. The consumer benefits due to elimination of penalty for late payment. Also it enables him to plan his electricity bill expenses in a better manner. Due to the.

intelligence built in into the electronic meters, introduction of prepaid metering becomes much easier than in the case of electromechanical meters.

Energy meters, the only direct revenue interface between utilities and the consumers, have undergone several advancements in the last decade. The conventional electro-mechanical meters are being replaced with electronic meters to improve accuracy in meter reading. Asian countries are currently looking to introduce prepaid electricity meters across their distribution network, buoyed up by the success of this novel methodology in South Africa. The existing inherent problems with the post-paid system and privatization of state held power distribution companies are the major driving factors for this market in Asia.

Over 40 countries have implemented prepaid meters in their markets In United Kingdom the system, has been in use for well over 70 years with about 3.5 million consumers. The prepaid program in South Africa was started in 1992 since then they have installed over 6 million meters.

Other African counties such as Sudan, Madagascar are following the South African success. The concept has found ground in Argentina and New Zealand with few thousands of installations. The prepaid meters in the market today are coming up with smart cards to hold information on units consumed or equivalent money value. When the card is inserted, the energy meter reads it, connects the supply to the consumer loads, and debits the value. The meters are equipped with light emitting diodes (LED) to inform consumers when 75 percent of the credit energy has been consumed. The consumer then recharges the prepaid card from a sales terminal or distribution point, and during this process any changes in the tariff can also be loaded in the smart card.

2.3 Payment methods

There are different ways to pay for energy consumption, and these payment solutions are directly linked with the meter's capabilities. Among the different payment solutions used globally are:

-Coins

This is the most widely established way to pay via a prepaid meter; coins offer a simple way to use a mechanical process to reload energy credit (Figure 2.3). The main disadvantage of this system is the vulnerability of the meter itself. Indeed, there is a risk of theft of the cash, while fraud (with specially designed coins) is not rare. The other negative impact is on the energy supplier or subcontractor companies that need to collect the cash on a regular basis.



Figure 2.3: Payment by Coins

-Token or PIN

This is one of the two most important payment solutions used in the metering ecosystem (Figure 2.4). This payment concept is based on simplicity and flexibility. There are different form factors to store the token or PIN. For example, the consumer could buy a ticket, including a token

Number, from dedicated shops and supermarkets. Alternatively, some solutions allow customers to reload a plastic key or a magnetic strip card via a dedicated vendor machine.



Figure 2.4: Payment by Token or PIN

-Memory cards

This is another solution that is in use everywhere in the globe for water, gas and electricity (Figure 2.5). When customers enter the card into the meter, the valve opens (for water) and water is made available. The display allows the consumer to check credit left on the memory card. Such cards can be recharged by using dedicated software loaded onto a home computer.



Figure 2.5: Payment by Memory Cards

-Mobile phone

With the deployment of mobility, mobile devices could also be used as a prepaid payment solution (Figure 2.6). Indeed, solutions such as SMS for payment or even online mobile payment will allow the consumer to receive a credit token to recharge the meter.



Figure 2.6: Payment by Mobile Phones

All these payment solutions are already available for the prepaid market. Based on the required level of flexibility, security and reliability.

2.4 Electrical Metering Instrument Technology

The Automated Meter Reading (AMR) was first conceived in 1962 by AT&T, but this experiment was not successful. After successful experiments, AT&T offered to provide phone system-based AMR services at \$2 per meter. The price was four times more than the monthly cost of a person to read the meter-50 cents. Thus the program was considered economically unfeasible.

In 1972, Theodore George "Ted" Paraskevakos, while working with Boeing in Huntsville, Alabama, developed a sensor monitoring system which used digital transmission for security, fire and medical alarm systems as well as meter reading capabilities for all utilities. This technology was a spin off of the automatic telephone line identification system, now known as Caller ID.

In 1974, Mr. Paraskevakos was awarded a U.S. patent for this technology.In1977, He launched Metretek, Inc., which developed and produced the first fully automated, commercially available remote meter reading and load management system. Since this system was developed preinternet, Metretek utilized the IBM series 1 mini-computer. For this approach, Mr. Paraskevakos and Metretek were awarded multiple patents.

The modern era of AMR began in 1985, when several major full-scale projects were implemented. Hackensack Water Co. and Equitable Gas Go. Were the first to commit to full- scale implementation of AMR on water and gas maters, respectively. In 1986, Minnegasco initiated a 450,000-point radio-based AMR system. In 1987, Philadelphia Electric Co. faced with a large number of inaccessible meters, installed thousands of distribution line carrier AMR units to solve this problem. Thus, AMR is becoming more

viable each day. Advances in solid-state electronics, microprocessor components and low cost surface-mount technology assembly techniques have been the catalyst to produce reliable cost-effective products capable of providing the economic and human benefits that justify use of AMR systems on a large, if not full-scale, basis.

The primary driver for the automation of meter reading is not to reduce labor costs, but to obtain data that is difficult to obtain. As an example, many water meters are installed in locations that require the utility to schedule an appointment with the homeowner in order to obtain access to the meter. In many areas, consumers have demanded that their monthly water bill be based on an actual reading, instead of (for example) an estimated monthly usage based on just one actual meter reading made every 12 months. Early AMR systems often consisted of walk-by and drive- by AMR for residential customers, and telephone-based AMR for commercial or industrial customers. What was once a need for monthly data became a need for daily and even hourly readings of the meters. Consequently, the sales of drive-by and telephone AMR has declined in the US, while sales of fixed networks has increased. The US Energy Policy Act of 2005 asksthat electric utility regulators consider the support for a "...time-based rate schedule (to) enable the electric consumer to manage energy use and cost through advanced metering and communications technology."

Today the metering instrument technology grown up significantly, such that the Consumed energy can be calculated mathematically, displayed, data can be stored, data can be transmitted, etc. Presently the microcontrollers are playing major role in metering instrument technology. The present project work is designed to collect the consumed energy data of

a particular energy consumer through wireless communication system (without going to consumer house), the system can be called as automatic meter reading (AMR) system. The Automatic Meter reading system is intended to remotely collect the meter readings of a locality using a communication system, without persons physically going and reading the meters visually.

-Benefits of AMR:-

The automatic meter reading (AMR) technology is very useful in many applications. By using AMR technology we can accommodate a lot of benefits. Some benefits of AMR are as follow.

-Electrical Company Benefits:-

- > Smart automated processes instead of manual work.
- Accurate information from the network load to optimize maintenance and investments.
- Customized rates and billing dates.
- Streamlined high bill investigations.
- Detection of tampering of Meters.
- Accurate measurement of transmission losses.
- > Better network performance and cost efficiency.
- > Demand and distribution management.
- More intelligence to business planning.
- > Better company credibility.

-Customer Benefits:-

- Precise consumption information.
- Clear and accurate billing.
- > Automatic outage information and faster recovery.
- > Better and faster customer service.
- > Flag potential high consumption before customer gets a high bill.

-AMR Applications:-

As technology continues to improve in price/performance, the number of municipal utilities implementing automatic meter reading (AMR) systems

continues to grow. Today, most AMR deployments are "walk-by" or "drive-by" systems. A battery-operated transmitter in each meter sends a radio frequency (RF) signal that is read by a special receiver either carried by hand or mounted in a vehicle. These solutions require a much smaller staff of meter readers, who merely need to walk or drive by the many meters in any neighborhood. Although this form of AMR is an enormous improvement over manual meter reading, continued high labor and vehicle costs are driving the industry to an even better solution.

Among the many advantages are the ability to monitor daily demand, implement conservation programs, create usage profiles by time of day, and detect potentially hazardous conditions, such as leaks or outages. But there is still one drawback with these AMR deployments: the costly network backhaul required by leased lines or cellular services from a local telephone company, or Power Line Carrier (PLC) solutions from the local power company.

AMR is the remote collection of consumption data from customers' utility meters using telephony, radio frequency, power lines and satellite communications technologies. AMR provides water, gas and electric utility-service companies the opportunity to increase operational efficiency, improve customer service, reduce data-collection costs and quickly gather critical information that provides insight to company decision-makers.

-Different AMR Technologies:-

There are many different technologies which are used in the AMR. Using these technologies data can be send from transmitting end to the receiving end. In our search we are using GSM technology for transmitting the meter reading from one point to other point

2.5 Embedded system

An embedded system is a combination of computing H/W & S/W, and perhaps additional mechanical or other parts, designed to perform a specific function. An embedded is a component with in some larger system.

By definition, all embedded system contents a processor and software but what other feature do they have in common? Certainly, in order to have software, there must be a placed to store the executable code and temporary storage for run time data manipulation. This take the form of ROM and RAM, respectively; any embedded system will have the sum of the both.

If only a small amount of memory is required, it might be contained whit in the same chip as processor. Otherwise, one or both types of memory will reside in external memory chip.

All smart meter it can be classified as embedded system here we mention different technologies developed.

Remote meter reading (or AMR) refers to the system that uses a communication technique to automatically collect the meter readings and other relevant data from utilities' gas meters, without the need to physically visit the gas meters. The development of AMR technology has catapulted meter data to center stage of the utility business plan.

2.6 Wireless Fidelity (Wi-Fi)

Today many meters are designed to transmit using Wi-Fi even if a Wi-Fi network is not available, and they are read using a drive-by local Wi-Fi hand held receiver. Narrow-banded signal has a much greater range than Wi-Fi so the numbers of receivers required for the project are far fewer the number of Wi-Fi access points covering the same area. These special receiver stations then take in the narrow-band signal and report their data via Wi-Fi Most of the automated utility meters installed in the Corpus Christi area are battery powered. Compared to narrow-band burst telemetry, Wi-Fi technology uses far too much power for long-term battery- powered operation. Thus Wi-Fi is the efficient mean of communication in AMR technologies, which allows communication between the central data base and the end users, and defines the efficient reliability of the system. Thus offering a ultimate mean to fulfill the requirement.

In general AMR can be implemented using a variety of technologies. Depending on the scope, available infrastructure and network topologies, many technologies could be employed to realize AMR systems. Generally however, these technologies are divided into three groups:

-Legacy Options:

These comprises traditionally available technologies used in communication systems today, such as POTS (Plain Old Telephone System),

Public Wireless (Paging, GSM, CDMA, GPRS, etc) and Satellite (Low Orbit Communication Satellites)

- Broadband Options:

Newer technologies used for large bandwidth data communication such as Broadband over Power lines (BPL) and Wireless Broadband (Wi-Fi, WiMax, etc).

-Cost-Effective Options:

These are the technologies of choice for low bandwidth; cost sensitive applications using Private Wireless (licensed &Unlicensed ISM Band) and Narrowband Power Line Communication (PLC).

CHAPTER THREE WIRELESS SYSTEM COMPONENTS

3.1 Introduction

The Global System for Mobile communications(GSM) is an open, digital cellular technology used for transmitting mobile voice and data services. GSM supports voice calls and data transfer speeds of up to 9.6 kbps, together with the transmission of SMS (Short Message Service).

A GSM modem is a special type of modem that accepts a SIM card and operates over a subscription to a mobile operator just like as a mobile phone. GSM modem is a wireless modem which sends and receives data through radio waves .A GSM modem requires a SIM card from a wireless carrier in order to operate Just like as a GSM mobile phone. GSM modem support standard AT commands as well as extended set of AT commands. With the standard AT commands and extended AT commands, you can do things like:

- Sending SMS message
- Reading, Writing and Deleting SMS massage
- Monitoring the signal strength
- Reading, Writing and Searching phonebook entries
- Real time clock

GSM operates in the 900MHz and 1.8GHz bands in Europe and the 1.9GHz and 850MHz bands in the US. GSM services are also transmitted via 850MHz spectrum in Australia, Canada and many Latin American countries. The use of harmonised spectrum across most of the globe, combined with GSM"s international roaming capability, allows travellers to access the same mobile services at home and abroad. GSM enables individuals to be reached via the same mobile number in up to 219 countries.

Terrestrial GSM networks now cover more than 90% of the world"s population. GSM satellite roaming has also extended service access to areas where terrestrial coverage is not available.

-GSM Features

- · Quad Band GSM/GPRS: 850 / 900 / 1800 / 1900 MHz
- · Built in RS232 to TTL or vice versa Logic Converter (MAX232)
- · Configurable Baud Rate
- · SMA (Sub Miniature version A) connector with GSM L Type Antenna
- · Built in SIM (Subscriber Identity Module) Card holder
- Built in Network Status LED
 Inbuilt Powerful TCP / IP (Transfer Control Protocol /
 Internet Protocol) stack for internet data transfer through
 GPRS (General Packet Radio Service)
- · Audio Interface Connectors (Audio in and Audio out)
- · Most Status and controlling pins are available
- · Normal Operation Temperature: -20 °C to +55 °C
- · Input Voltage: 5V to 12V DC
- · LDB9 connector (Serial Port) provided for easy interfacing.

Hardware Description of GSM module is shown in figure (3.1)



Figure 3.1: GSM module

-SIM Com SIM900A GSM Module

This is actual SIM900 GSM module which is manufactured by SIM Com. Designed for global market, SIM900 is a quad-band GSM/GPRS engine that works on frequencies GSM 850MHz; EGSM 900MHz, DCS 1800MHz and PCS 1900MHz. SIM900 features GPRS multislot class 10/ class 8 (optional) and supports the GPRS coding schemes CS-1, CS-2, CS-3 and CS-4. With a tiny configuration of 24mm x 24mm x 3mm, SIM900 can meet almost all the space requirements in User's applications, such as M2M, smart phone, PDA and other mobile devices.

- **MAX232 IC**

The MAX232 is an integrated circuit that converts signals from an RS-232 serial port to signals suitable for use in TTL compatible digital logic circuits, so that devices works on TTL logic can share the data with devices connected through Serial port (DB9 Connector).

-Serial port / DB9 connector

User just needs to attach RS232 cable here so that it can be connected to devices which have Serial port / DB9 Connector.

-Power Supply Socket

This power supply socket which actually named as AC/DC Socket provides the functionality to user to connect external power supply from Transformer, Battery or Adapter through DC jack. User can provide maximum of 12V AC/DC power supply through AC/DC socket. This is power supply designed into maximum protection consideration so that it can even prevent reverse polarity DC power supply as well as DC conversion from AC power Supply. It also includes LM317 Voltage Regulator which provides an output voltage adjustable over a1.2V to 37V.

-Power On/Off and GSM On Switch

Power On/Off switch is type of push-on push-offDPDTswitch which is used for only make power supply on/off provided through AC/DC Socket indicated by 'PowerLED''. GSM On Switch is type of Push on DPST tactile switch which is used for only to make GSM module "On" Indicated by "Module On/Off LED" while initiating with Network indicated by 'Network Indication LED".

-SIM (Subscriber Identity Module) Card Slot

This on board SIM card slot provides User functionality of insert a SIM (GSM only) card of any service provider. Process of inserting and locking SIM card into SIM card slot is given in this manual. While inserting in and removing out SIM card from SIM card slot, User needs to take precaution that power supply should be OFF so that after making Power supply ON it wills be easy to reinitialize with SIM for this module.

- Indicator LEDs

Indicator LEDs just used to indicate status accordingly. These are three LEDs represents Power On/Off Status, Network Status and Module On/Off Status respectively. Power LED will keep on until the power supply is enable to

this board by using push-on push-offswitch. Network Status LED will show whether inserted SIM card successfully connected to service provider"s Network or not, in short signal strength. Module On/Off indicator LED will show status of GSM module"s power on/off.

- RXD, TXD and GND pins (JP2)

These pins are used to connect devices which need to be connected to GSM module through USART (Universal Synchronous Asynchronous Receiver and Transmitter) communication. Devices may be like Desktop or Laptop Computer System, Microcontrollers, etc. RXD (Receive Data) should be connected to TXD (Transmit Data) of other device and vice versa, whereas GND (Ground) should be connected to other device GND pin to make ground common for both systems.

- Audio Connectors

Audio Connectors deals with Audio related operations. These pins already shown in hardware description diagram. These are eight pins in a group of two each denoted by SV4. GND (0V Supply) and VCC (+5V Supply) are used to have source for external device. MIC+ and MIC used to connect Microphone (abbr. as Mic) through which user can give audio input while calling. SP- and SP+ used to connect Speaker (can be connected to amplifier circuit if necessary) through which User can hear audio output. LN-L and LN-R used to connect Line in to GSM module.

- Debugger (DBG-R and DBG-T) Connectors (J2)

These connectors are 2-wire null modem interface DBG_TXD and DBG_RXD. These pins can be used for debugging and upgrading firmware. User generally no needs to deal with these pins.

3.2 ATMEGA16 microcontroller

Microcontroller often serves as the "brain" of a mechatronic system. Like a mini, self- contained computer, it can be programmed to interact with both the hardware of the system and the user. Even the most basic microcontroller can perform simple math operations, control digital outputs, and monitor digital inputs. As the computer industry has evolved, so has the technology associated with microcontrollers. Newer microcontrollers are much faster, have more memory, and have a host of input and output features that dwarf the ability of earlier models. Most modern controllers have analog-to-digital converters, high-speed timers and counters; interrupt capabilities, outputs that can be pulse-width modulated, serial communication ports, etc.

The ATmega16 is a low-power CMOS 8-bit microcontroller based on the AVR enhanced RISC architecture. By executing powerful instructions in a single clock cycle, the ATmega16 achieves throughputs approaching 1 MIPS per MHz allowing the system designer to optimize power consumption versus processing speed.

Power-down Mode: $< 1 \mu A$.

-Pin configuration shown in figure (3.2):

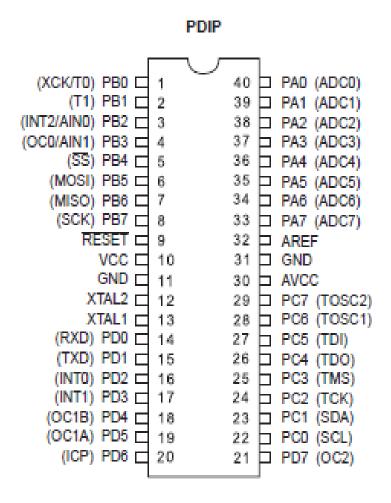


Figure 3.2: ATMEGA16 microcontroller pin configuration

The AVR core combines a rich instruction set with 16 general purpose working registers. All the 16 registers are directly connected to the Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU), allowing two independent registers tobe accessed in one single instruction executed in one clock cycle. The resulting architecture is more code efficient while achieving throughputs up to ten times faster than conventional CISC microcontrollers.

With In-System Self-Programmable Flash on a monolithic chip, the Atmel ATmega16 is a powerful microcontroller that provides a highly-flexible and cost-effective solution to many embedded control applications. The ATmega16 AVR is supported with a full suite of program and system development Tools including:

C compilers, macro assemblers, program debugger/simulators, in-circuit emulators, and evaluation kits.

-Pin Descriptions Details

CC Digital supply voltage.

GND Ground.

Port A (PA7..PA0) Port A serves as the analog inputs to the A/D Converter. Port A also serves as an 8-bit bi-directional I/O port, if the A/D Converter is not used. Port pins can provide internal pull-up resistors (selected for each bit). The Port A output buffers have symmetrical drive characteristics with both high sink and source capability. When pins PA0 to PA7 are used as inputs and are externally pulled low, they will source current if the internal pull-up resistors are activated. The Port A pins are tri-stated when a reset condition becomes active, even if the clock is not running.

Port B (PB7..PB0) Port B is an 8-bit bi-directional I/O port with internal pull-up resistors (selected for each bit). The Port B output buffers have symmetrical drive characteristics with both high sink and source capability. As inputs, Port B pins that are externally pulled low will source current if the pull-up resistors are activated. The Port B pins are tri-stated when a reset condition becomes active, even if the clock is not running. Port B also serves the functions of various special features of the ATmega16.

Port C (**PC7..PC0**) Port C is an 8-bit bi-directional I/O port with internal pull-up resistors (selected for each bit). The Port C output buffers have symmetrical drive characteristics with both high sink and source capability. As inputs, Port C pins that are externally pulled low will source current if the pull-up resistors are activated. The Port C pins are tri-stated

when a reset condition becomes active, even if the clock is not running. If the JTAG interface is enabled, the pull-up resistors on pins PC5(TDI), PC3(TMS) and PC2(TCK) will be activated even if a reset occurs. Port C also serves the functions of the JTAG interface and other special features of the ATmega16.

Port D (**PD7..PD0**) Port D is an 8-bit bi-directional I/O port with internal pull-up resistors (selected for each bit). The Port D output buffers have symmetrical drive characteristics with both high sink and source capability. As inputs, Port D pins that are externally pulled low will source current if the pull-up resistors are activated. The Port D pins are tri-stated when a reset condition becomes active, even if the clock is not running. Port D also serves the functions of various special features of the ATmega16.

-RESET

Reset Input. A low level on this pin for longer than the minimum pulse length will generate a reset, even if the clock is not running. The minimum pulse length is given in Table (1) on appendix A. Shorter pulses are not guaranteed to generate a reset.

XTAL1 Input to the inverting Oscillator amplifier and input to the internal clock operating circuit.

-ATMEGA16 microcontroller Features Features

- High-performance, Low-power AVR® 8-bit Microcontroller Advanced RISC Architecture
- 131 Powerful Instructions Most Single-clock Cycle Execution
- 16 x 8 General Purpose Working Registers
- Fully Static Operation

- Up to 16 MIPS Throughput at 16 MHz
- On-chip 2-cycle Multiplier
- Nonvolatile Program and Data Memories
- 16K Bytes of In-System Self-Programmable Flash Endurance: 10,000
 Write/Erase Cycles
- Optional Boot Code Section with Independent Lock Bits In-System
 Programming by On-chip Boot Program True Read-While-Write Operation
- 1024 Bytes EEPROM Endurance: 100,000 Write/Erase Cycles
- 2K Byte Internal SRAM
- Programming Lock for Software Security
- JTAG (IEEE std. 1149.1 Compliant) Interface
- Boundary-scan Capabilities According to the JTAG Standard
- Extensive On-chip Debug Support
- Programming of Flash, EEPROM, Fuses, and Lock Bits through the JTAG
 Interface
- Peripheral Features
- Two 8-bit Timer/Counters with Separate Prescalers and Compare Modes
- One 16-bit Timer/Counter with Separate Prescaler, Compare Mode, and Capture Mode
- Real Time Counter with Separate Oscillator
- Four PWM Channels

- 8-channel, 10-bit ADC
- 8 Single-ended Channels
- -7 Differential Channels in TQFP Package Only
- 2 Differential Channels with Programmable Gain at 1x, 10x, or 200x
- Byte-oriented Two-wire Serial Interface
- Programmable Serial USART
- Master/Slave SPI Serial Interface
- Programmable Watchdog Timer with Separate On-chip Oscillator
- On-chip Analog Comparator
- Special Microcontroller Features
- Power-on Reset and Programmable Brown-out Detection
- Internal Calibrated RC Oscillator
- External and Internal Interrupt Sources
- Six Sleep Modes: Idle, ADC Noise Reduction, Power-save, Power-down,
 Standby And Extended Standby
- I/O and Packages
- 16 Programmable I/O Lines
- 40-pin PDIP, 44-lead TQFP, and 44-pad MLF
- Operating Voltages
- 2.7 5.5V for ATmega32L

- 4.5 5.5V for ATmega32
- Speed Grades
- 0 8 MHz for ATmega32L
- 0 16 MHz for ATmega32
- Power Consumption at 1 MHz, 3V, 25°C for ATmega32L
- Active: 1.1 am
- Idle Mode: 0.35 am
- Power-down Mode: < 1 μA

3.3 (4x4) Matrix Membrane Keypad

This 16-button keypad provides a useful human interface component for microcontroller projects.

Convenient adhesive backing provides a simple way to mount the keypad in a variety of applications.

-Features

- Ultra-thin design
- Adhesive backing
- Excellent price/performance ratio
- Easy interface to any microcontroller
- Example programs provided for the BASIC
- Stamp 2 and Propeller P8X32A Microcontrollers

(4x4) Matrix membrane keypad shown in figure (3.3)

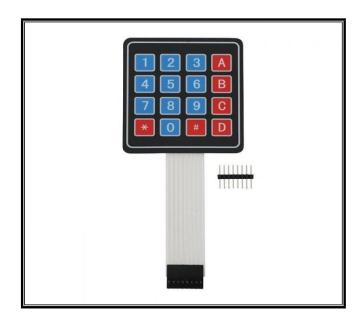


Figure 3.3: keypad

-Key Specifications

- ☐ Maximum Rating: 24 VDC, 30 mA
- ☐ Interface: 8-pin access to 4x4 matrix
- ☐ Operating temperature: 32 to 122 °F (0 to 50°C)

How it Works

Matrix keypads use a combination of four rows and four columns to provide button states to the host device, typically a microcontroller. Underneath each key is a pushbutton, with one end connected to one row, and the other end connected to one column. These connections are shown in Figure (3.4).

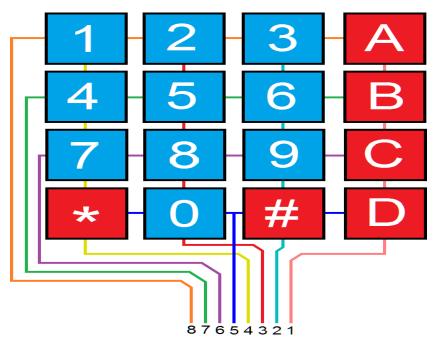


Figure 3.4: Matrix Keypad Connections

In order for the microcontroller to determine which button is pressed, it first needs to pull each of the four columns (pins 1-4) either low or high one at a time, and then poll the states of the four rows (pins 5-8). Depending on the states of the columns, the microcontroller can tell which button is pressed. For example, say your program pulls all four columns low and then pulls the first row high. It then reads the input states of each column, and reads pin 1 high. This means that a contact has been made between column 4 and row 1, so button 'A' has been pressed.

3.4 Liquid Crystal Display

LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) screen is an electronic display module and find a wide range of applications. A 16x2 LCD display is very basic module and is very commonly used in various devices and circuits. These modules are preferred over seven segments and other multi segment LEDs.

The reasons being: LCDs are economical; easily programmable; have no limitation of displaying special & even custom characters (unlike in seven segments), animations and so on.

A 16x2 LCD means it can display 16 characters per line and there are 2 such lines. In this LCD each character is displayed in 5x7 pixel matrix. This LCD has two registers, namely, Command and Data.

The command register stores the command instructions given to the LCD. A command is an instruction given to LCD to do a predefined task like initializing it, clearing its screen, setting the cursor position, controlling display etc. The data register stores the data to be displayed on the LCD. The data is the ASCII value of the character to be displayed on the LCD.

LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) is shown in figure (3.5)

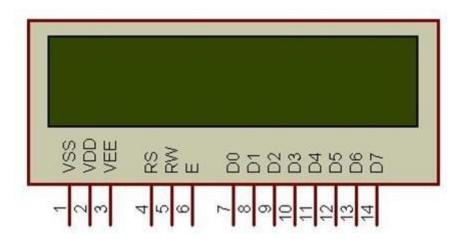


Figure 3.5: LCD

-Pin configuration

Table 3.1 Character LCD type HD44780 Pin diagram

Pin No.	Name	Description
Pin no. 1	VSS	Power supply (GND)

Pin no. 2	VCC	Power supply (+5V)
Pin no. 3	VEE	Contrast adjust
Pin no. 4	RS	0 = Instruction input 1 = Data input
Pin no. 5	R/W	0 = Write to LCD Module 1 = Read from LCD module
Pin no. 6	EN	Enable signal
Pin no. 7	D0	Data bus line 0 (LSB)
Pin no. 8	D 1	Data bus line 1
Pin no. 9	D2	Data bus line 2
Pin no. 10	D3	Data bus line 3
Pin no. 11	D4	Data bus line 4
Pin no. 12	D5	Data bus line 5
Pin no. 13	D6	Data bus line 6

Table 3.2 Character LCD pins with 1 Controller

Pin no. 14

D7

pin No.	Name	Description
Pin no. 1	D7	Data bus line 7 (MSB)

Data bus line 7 (MSB)

Pin no. 2	D6	Data bus line 6
Pin no. 3	D5	Data bus line 5
Pin no. 4	D4	Data bus line 4
Pin no. 5	D3	Data bus line 3
Pin no. 6	D2	Data bus line 2
Pin no. 7	D1	Data bus line 1

pin No.	Name	Description
Pin no. 1	D7	Data bus line 7 (MSB)
Pin no. 2	D6	Data bus line 6
Pin no. 3	D 5	Data bus line 5
Pin no. 4	D4	Data bus line 4
Pin no. 5	D3	Data bus line 3
Pin no. 6	D2	Data bus line 2
Pin no. 7	D1	Data bus line 1

3.5 Timers

Timers are those circuits, which provide periodic signals to a digital system which change the state of that system. In other words, those circuits, which work on the base of multivibrator changes or a device, which can be used as multivibrator is called Timer.

-Types of Timers

There are two basic types of 555 Timer with respect to function and operation.

- (i) 555 Timer as Astable Multivibrator
- (ii) 555 Timer as Monostable Multivibrator

-(555) Timer

555 Timer is a digital monolithic integrated circuit which may be used as a clock generator. In other words, 555 Timer is a circuit which may be connected as a stable or monostable multivibrator.

555 Timer is a versatile and most usable device in the electronics circuits and designs which work for both stable and monostable states. It may provide time delay from microseconds up to many hours.

The pin diagram of DIP (Dual inline Package) 555 timer with 8 pins. shown in figure (3.6).

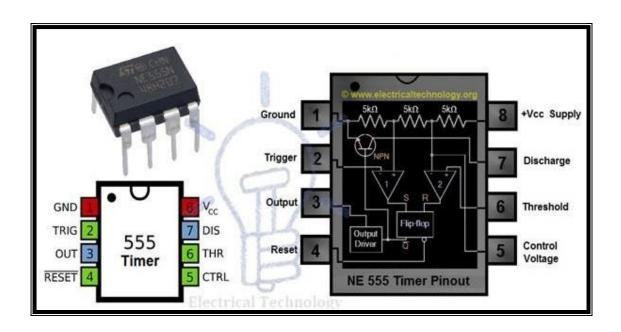


Figure 3.6: 555 Timer construction & pin out

555 timer is a very cheap IC which works for wide range of potential difference (typically, from 4.5 to 15V DC) and the different provided input voltages do not affect the timer output.

555 Timer is a linear device and it can be directly connected to the CMOS or TTL (Transistor – Transistor Logic) digital circuits due to its compatibility but, interfacing is must to use 555 timer with other digital circuits.

-(555) Timer Construction

There are lots of manufacturers who manufacture 555 timer which included the number 555 e.g. NE555, CA555, SE555, MC14 555 etc. typically, two 555 timers sandwiched inside a single chip which is called 556. Nowadays, chips are available with four 555 timers in it. These devices are available in circular IC with eight (8), DIP (Dual inline Package) with 8 pins or DIP with 14 pins.

Explanation of the 8 pins of 555 Timer:

-Ground (GND)

It's the common ground point of the circuit. The ground terminal of external circuit as well as power supply (Vcc) ground terminal is connected with this i.e. GND (Ground) terminal of 555 timer.

-Trigger

When Trigger terminal gets one –third (1/3) of the supply voltage i.e. Vcc/3 equal amplitude's negative trigger pulse, then the circuit output changes form Low to High.

-Output

This terminal is used for getting output and connected with load. At any instant, its value is low or high.

-Reset

Without taking into account the previous state of output, by providing a trigger pulse to this terminal resets the device. I.e. Its output becomes low.

-Control Voltage

There are two third positive voltages of the total Supply voltages (Vcc) at control voltage terminal. Thus, it becomes a part of the comparator circuit. Generally, a capacitor is connected between ground and voltage control terminals.

-Threshold Voltage

Threshold voltage and control voltage is the two inputs of comparator circuit. The circuit compares the available voltage at threshold voltage terminal to the available reference voltage at control terminal.

If the available voltage at threshold terminal (Pin 6) is greater than the control voltage i.e. two-third of Vcc, then the output would be low, otherwise, it would be high.

-Discharge

When output is low, then Discharge terminal provides a low resistance discharge path to the externally connected capacitor. However, it acts an open circuit, when output is high.

- +Vcc (Supply Voltage Terminal)

Supply voltage is provided at this terminal for timer operation.

A simple 555 timer circuit is shown below in fig _ which shows the internal construction of 555 timer. According to the fig, the timer contains on two

comparators, an RS flip flop, an Output stitch (output buffer) and a Discharge Transistor Q1.

In addition, there are three $5k\Omega$ resistors are connected in series with $5k\Omega$ resistor which first end is connected with Vcc (Pin 8 = Supply voltage) and the other end is connected with ground (GND = Pin 1).

Good to Know: due to the three $5k\Omega$ series connected resistors, this IC timer chip is called 555 Timer J as shown in figure (3.7).

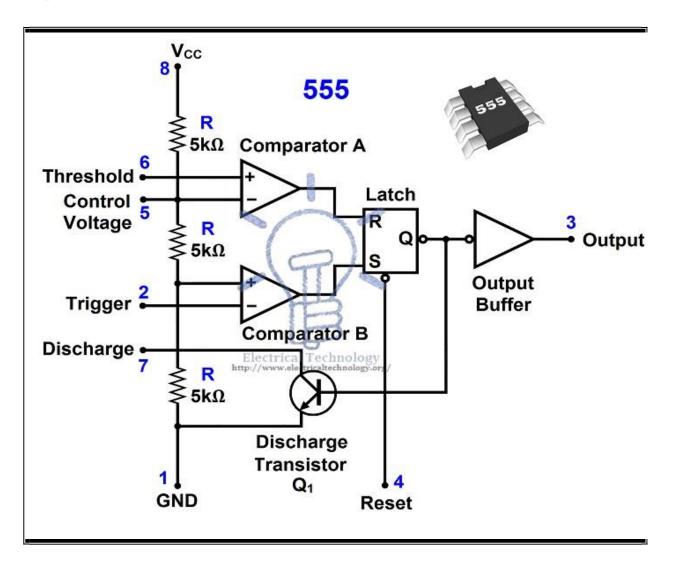


Figure 3.7: Internal Function Diagram of 555 Timers

In the 555 Timer block or functional diagram, comparators are those devices which output is high, when their positive input voltage is greater than their negative input voltage and vise versa.

The voltage divider in the circuit (which contains on three series connected $5k\Omega$ resistors), which provides the trigger level of one-third of Vcc (Vcc/3) and two-third (2/3) of threshold voltage. To understand this point, suppose the input value is 15V. In this case, the value of trigger level would be 5V as (Vcc/3 = 15V/3 = 5V). And the value of threshold level would be 10V as (Vcc x 2/3 = 15V x (2/3)) = 10V.

When needed, the trigger level and threshold can be adjusted by using the Control Voltage terminal (Pin 5) i.e. by changing the control voltage at Pin 5; we may change the trigger level and threshold voltage according to the required specification. However, in this case, the value of trigger and threshold would be remain equal to 1/3 Vcc and 2/3 Vcc respectively.

When the normal high trigger input value instantaneously reduce then the 1/3 Vcc, Then the output of Comparator B becomes High from Low, as a result, RS latch or RS Flip flop goes to "set". When flip flop goes to set, then Output (at Point 3) becomes high. Simultaneously, the discharge transistor Q1 gets off and The output remains high until the value of normally low threshold input does not increase then the 2/3 Vcc.

As soon as the threshold input increase than the 2/3Vcc, then the output of comparator A becomes Low, as a result, RS flip flop get reset (because the output of comparator is directly connected to the RS flip flop's

input R as shown in the fig). When flip flop gets reset, output becomes low and discharge transistor Q1 goes to on.

The flip flop can be reset by applying external input reset without threshold circuit. Note that, the trigger and threshold inputs (Pin 2 and Pin 6) are controlled by externally components and the 555 timer can be used for stable or monostable operation by controlling the trigger and threshold inputs with the help of those external components.

-A stable operation

A stable circuits produce pulses. When the circuit is connected as shown in *Figure* (3.8) (pins 2 and 6 connected) it triggers itself and free runs as a multivibrator. The external capacitor charges through R1 and R2 and discharges through R2 only. Thus the duty cycle can be set accurately by adjusting the ratio of these two resistors. In the astable mode of operation, C1 charges and discharges between 1/3 VCC and 2/3 VCC. As in the triggered mode, the charge and discharge times and, therefore, frequencies are Independent of the supply voltage.

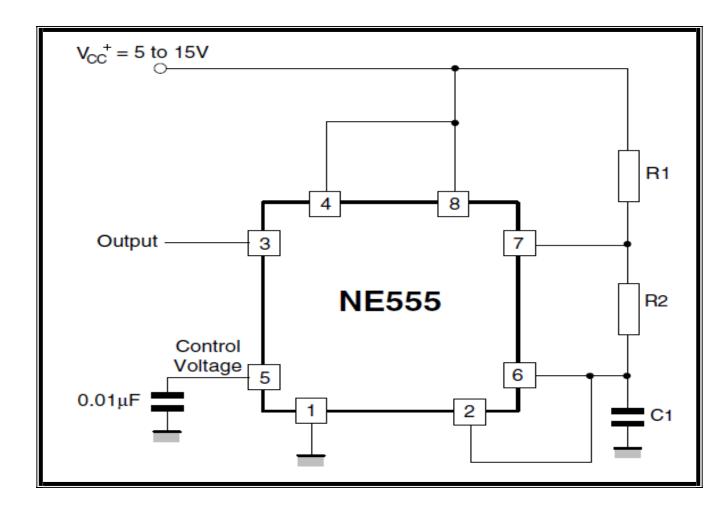


Figure 3.8: stable circuits

3.6 Relay

The relay takes advantage of the fact that when electricity flows through a coil, it becomes an electromagnet. The electromagnetic coil attracts a steel plate, which is attached to a switch. So the switch's motion (ON and OFF) is controlled by the current flowing to the coil, or not, respectively as shown in figure (3.9).

A very useful feature of a relay is that it can be used to electrically isolate different parts of a circuit. It will allow a low voltage circuit (e.g. 5VDC) to switch the power in a high voltage circuit (e.g. 100 VAC or more).

The relay operates mechanically, so it cannot operate at high speed.

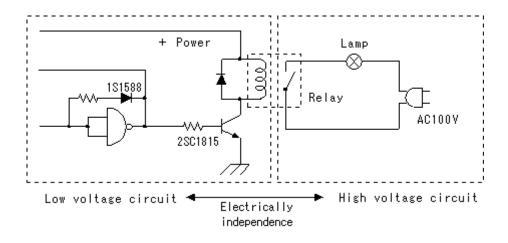


Figure 3.9: internal circuit of Relay

3.7 Software Part

-BASCOM-AVR language

BASCOM-AVR is the original Windows BASIC COMPILER for the AVR family. It is designed to run on W95/W98/NT/W2000/XP and Vista

Key Benefits

- Structured BASIC with labels.
- Structured programming with IF-THEN-ELSE-END IF, DO-LOOP, WHILE-WEND, SELECT- CASE.
- Fast machine code instead of interpreted code.
- Variables and labels can be as long as 32 characters.
- Bit, Byte, Integer, Word, Long, Single, Double and String variables.
- Support for the Double. Not found in any AVR compiler,
 BASCOM gives you the advantage to crunch huge numbers with the
 Double(8 byte Floating Point)
- Large set of Trig Floating point functions.
- Date & Time calculation functions.
- Compiled programs work with all AVR microprocessors that have internal memory.
- Statements are highly compatible with Microsoft's VB/QB.
- Special commands for LCD-displays, I2C chips and 1WIRE chips, PC keyboard, matrix keyboard, RC5 reception, software UART, SPI, graphical LCD, send IR RC5, RC6 or Sony code.
- TCP/IP with W3100A chip.
- Local variables, user functions, library support.
- Integrated terminal emulator with download option..
- Integrated simulator for testing.

- Integrated ISP programmer (application note AVR910.ASM).
- Integrated STK200 programmer and STK300 programmer. Also supported is the low cost Sample Electronics programmer. Can be built in 10 minutes! Many other programmers supported via the Universal Interface.
- Editor with statement highlighting.
- PDF datasheet viewer
- Context sensitive help.
- Perfectly matches the following boards:
 - o MAVRIC and the MAVRIC-II from BDMICRO.
 - AVR robot controller (ARC 1.1) from L. Barello
 - Active Mega8535 Micro Board from Active Robots
- DEMO version compiles 4KB of code. Well suited for the ATmega48.
- English and German Books available
- Special TCP/IP library, AT mouse simulator, AT keyboard simulator and others are available as add on.

To make a program takes just a few steps:

- Write the program in BASIC
- Compile it to fast machine binary code
- Test the result with the integrated simulator (with additional hardware you can simulate the hardware too).
- Program the chip with one of the integrated programmers. (hardware must be purchased separately)

The program can be written in a comfortable MDI color coded editor. Besides the normal editing features, the editor supports Undo, Redo, Bookmarks and block indention.

-Simulation Design:

Electronic circuit simulation uses mathematical models to replicate the behavior of an actual electronic device or circuit. Simulation software allows for modeling of circuit operation and is an invaluable analysis tool. Due to its highly accurate modeling capability, many colleges and universities use this type of software for the teaching of electronics technician and electronics engineering programs. Electronics simulation software engages its users by integrating them into the learning experience. These kinds of interactions actively engage learners to analyze, synthesize, organize, and evaluate content and result in learners constructing their own knowledge.

-Proteus VSM Definition

Proteus Virtual System Modeling (VSM) combines mixed mode SPICE circuit simulation, animated components and microprocessor models to facilitate co-simulation of complete microcontroller based designs. For the first time ever, it is possible to develop and test such designs before a physical prototype is constructed.

This is possible because you can interact with the design using on screen indicators such as LED and LCD displays and actuators such as switches and buttons. The simulation takes place in real time (or near enough to it): a 1GMHz Pentium III can simulate a basic 8051 system clocking at over 12MHz. Proteus VSM also provides extensive debugging facilities including breakpoints, single stepping and variable display for both assembly code and high level language source.

CHAPTER FOUR SYSTEM SIMULATION

4.1 Introduction

After design of the meter was completed, the next phase was initiated. This was the simulation and testing phase. Simulation was done with the use of software simulating programs, along with BASCOM-AVR language Compilers for the code written to the MCU. The simulating program used for this thesis was Proteus 7.1 Professional, and for coding, Code Vision AVR 2.05. Several separate code blocks were written for different blocks of the meter in order to simulate and test them separately before integration and system simulation and testing.

In this embodiment, the system components are represented by the simulation software used to connect the electric meter with GSM technology to wirelessly control the meter reading and recharging easier and faster.

4.2 Complete System Design

The transceiver of electrical company and meter block diagrams shown in figure (4.1) & (4.2).

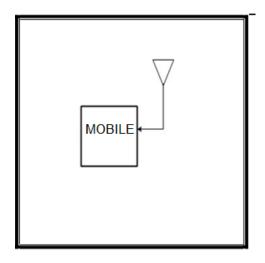


Figure 4.1: transceiver circuit block diagram

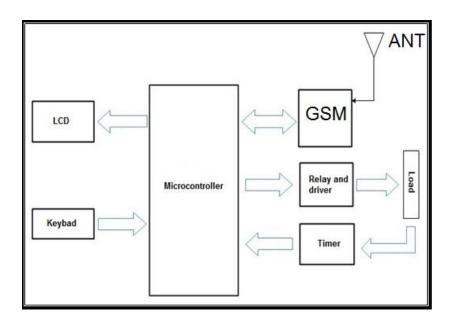


Figure 4.2: Meter circuit block diagram

Putting all the mentioned components together gives the complete Energy Meter system design shown in Figure (4.3).

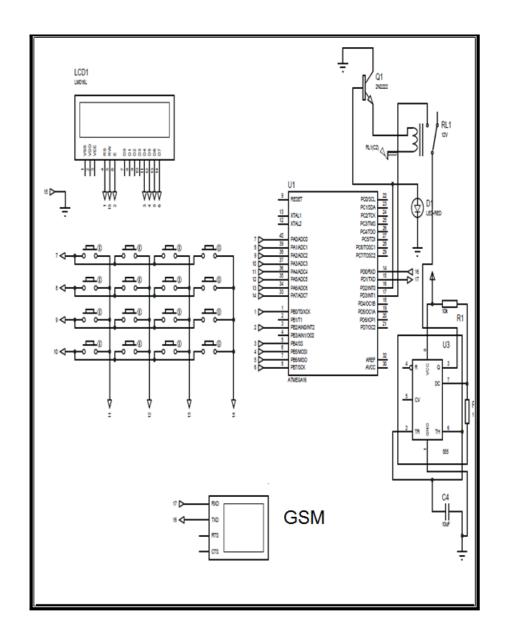


Figure 4.3: System Design Details

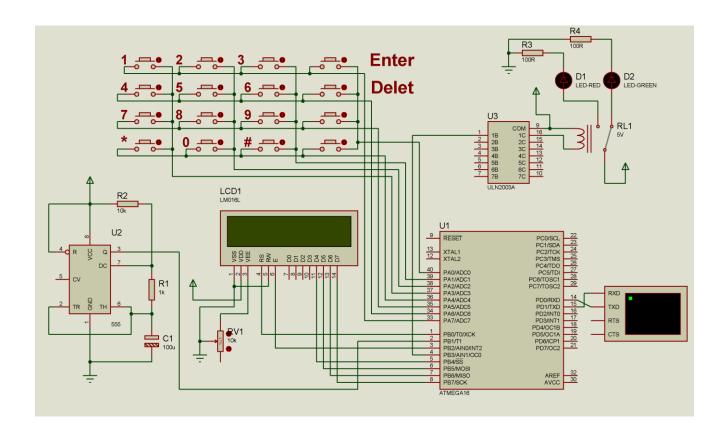


Figure 4.4: transceiver circuit Design Details

4.3 Simulation Case

We show the simulation of the AMR scale that the user can enter the electricity value in kw, which we set a value for is 50kw using the keyboard and display the value on the LCD when he presses (m). The microcontroller sends the electricity value to the management system server through gsm. Server management system chick meter number and calculates the amount of electricity and sends the amount of electricity to the meter through a unit; gsm, and the value of the electricity received by the unit on the side of the meter and the microcontroller displayed on the LCD screen and send a signal for the relay to contact the load circuit after that the amount of electrical decrease by the load until it reaches Zero then a microcontroller sends a relay signal to disconnect the load circuit and the red led flashing .

First case user was sent value consists of one digit as shown in figure (4.5)

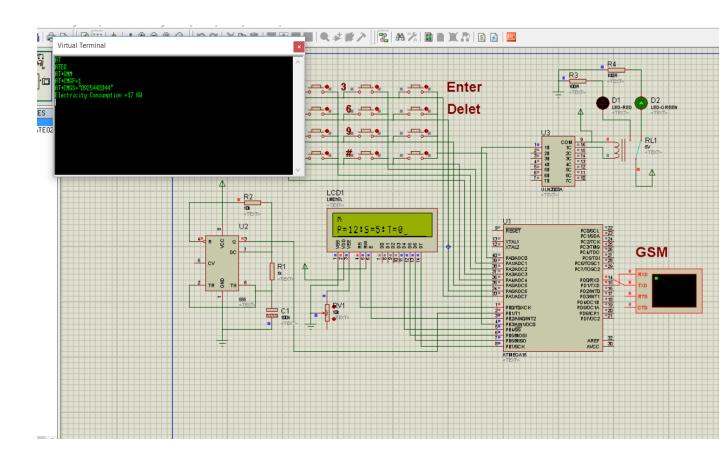


Figure 4.5 :Meter with 17 kw

In the second case, when the electricity value reaches 15 kw, the gsm sends a message to the user about the remaining electricity value and that he must recharge as shown in figure (4.6)

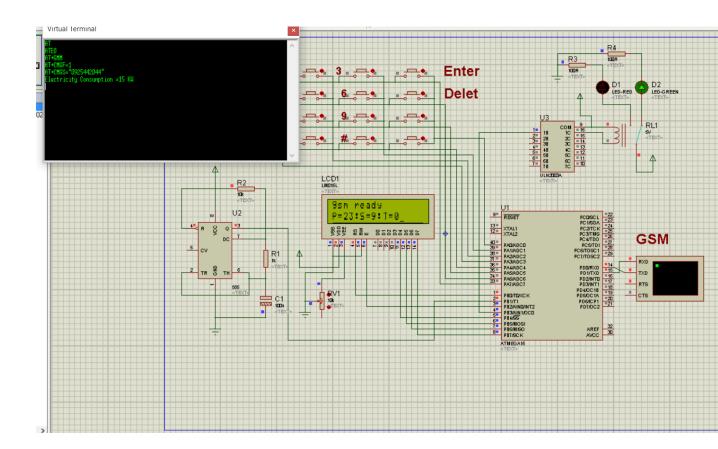


figure 4.6: Meter with 15 kw

In the third case, when the electricity value reaches 10 kW, the GSM system sends a message to the user again about the value of the remaining electricity as shown in figure (4.7)

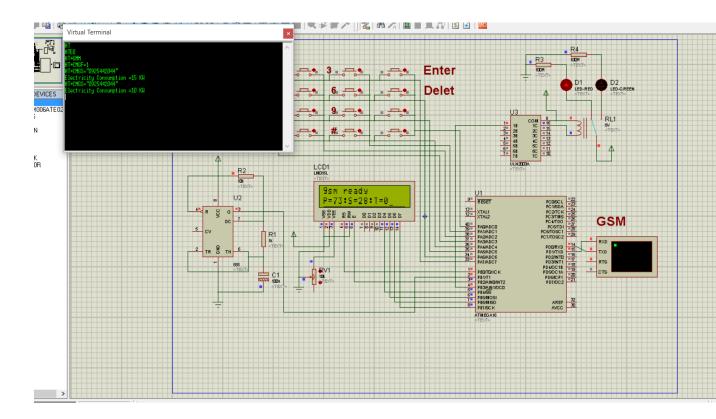


figure 4.7: Meter with 10 kw

In the fourth case, when the electricity value reaches zero, the microcontroller sends a relay signal to disconnect the load circuit and the red LED flashes as shown in figure (4.8)

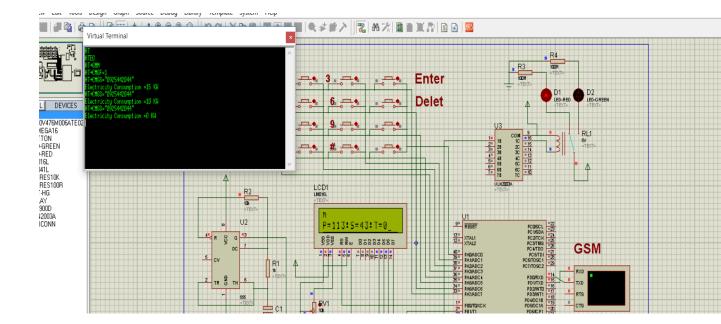


figure 4.8: Meter with 0 kw

If the user wants to recharge the electricity, he must send the recharge code to the GSM in a short message, and the microprocessor will recharge the electricity and send a relay signal to connect the load circuit and flash the green LED as shown in figure (4.9).



Figure 4.9: Meter with 105 kw

Chapter Five Conclusion And Recommendations

5.1 Conclusion

The aim of this research was to bring improvement in the current power systems of the country by introducing a new smart metering system. For this purpose, a GUI based smart energy monitoring and controlling system was proposed. The results discussed, and observations made in this research concluded that smart metering system with GSM communication capabilities will make the current power management better and efficient in many ways.

5.2 Recommendations

The most important recommendation is to create a mobile app to make it easier to monitor consumption and recharge. Alerting when malfunctions occur at home, alerting when network malfunctions (for the consumer and the service provider) make statistics and collect information for the service provider to predict the loads and conduct studies for the construction of new stations in a thoughtful manner and correct decisions and know the peak times and the amount of loads, make a consumer use plan Clarify the efficiency of the devices Accordingly, the data and information used in the home will be sent to the Energy Efficiency Center to discover the efficiency of the devices and their specifications, and then send them to the Ministry of Commerce to prevent the import of low-efficiency devices that do not conform to the specifications and standards, and to know the highest peak time for the application of what is known as the hourly tariff.

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APPENDIX A

-Bascom code

```
$regfile = "m16def.dat"
$crystal = 8000000
Config Com1 = 9600 , Synchrone = 0 , Parity = None , Stopbits = 1 , Databits =
8 , Clockpol = 0

Config Lcd = 16 * 2
Config Lcdpin = Pin , Db4 = Portb.4 , Db5 = Portb.5 , Db6 = Portb.6 , Db7 =
Portb.7 , E = Portb.2 , Rs = Portb.0

Cls
Lcd "Smart Counter"
Waitms 500
Cls
Dim Count As Integer
Dim A As Integer
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Dim Aa As Byte

Dim X As Byte
Dim Xx As Byte

Dim M As Integer
Dim D As Integer
Dim L As Integer
Dim Ev As Integer
Ev = 20

Config Timer1 = Counter, Edge =	= Rising
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Config Timer0 = Timer, Prescale	- 1024
'	- 102 T
'	
'On Ovf1 Pulse_counter	
On Ovf0 Displays	
'	
'	
Start Timer0	
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Enable Interrupts	
Enable Urxc	
On Urxc Display1	
'Enable Int0	'enable the interrupt
Enable Timer0	
Enable Timer1	
Start Timer1	
On Int0 Label2	'jump to label2 on INT0
Dim Bt As Byte	
Dim K As Byte	
Dim Key As Byte	
Dim S As String * 200	

Dim Sr As String * 200

Config Portb.3 = Output

Config Pinb.1 = Input

Sr = "AT+CMGS="

Sr = Sr + Chr(&H22)

Sr = Sr + "0925442044"

Sr = Sr + Chr(&H22)

S = ""

Cls

Locate 1, 1

Lcd "waiting gsm"

Waitms 500

Print "AT"

Waitms 100

Cls

Lcd S

Waitms 100

S = ""

Print "ATE0"

Waitms 100

Cls

Lcd S

Waitms 100

S = ""

Print "AT+GMM"

Waitms 100

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Cls
Lcd S
Waitms 100
S = ""
Print "AT+CMGF=1"
Waitms 100
Cls
Lcd S
Waitms 100
S = ""
Cls
Locate 1, 1
Lcd "gsm ready"
Waitms 500
Config Kbd = Porta , Debounce = 10
Do
If Chr(bt) = "5" Then
                                           'endless loop
 Ev = Ev + 50
  Bt = ""
  Cls
  Locate 1, 1
  Lcd Ev
  Bt = ""
  End If
If Chr(bt) = "m" Then
                                           'endless loop
 Cls
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Locate 1, 1

Lcd S
Waitms 50
Print Sr
Waitms 100
Print "Electricity Consumption ="; Ev; "KW"
Waitms 100
Printbin &H1A
Bt = ""
End If
S = ""
Loop
End
Label2:
Incr Count
WV : 200
'Waitms 200
Return
Displays:
Incr A
If $A = 30$ Then

Incr M

Waitms 221

If M = 60 Then

 $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{0}$

Incr M

Timer1 = 0

L = D

End If

D = Timer1

Locate 2, 1

Lcd "P="; D; ":S="; M; ":T="; L

If Ev = 15 Then

Print Sr

Waitms 100

Print "Electricity Consumption ="; Ev; "KW"

Waitms 100

Printbin &H1A

End If

If Ev = 10 Then

Print Sr Waitms 100 Print "Electricity Consumption ="; Ev; "KW" Waitms 100 Printbin &H1A End If If Ev = 0 Then Portb.3 = 1End If If Ev >= 1 Then Portb.3 = 0Decr Ev End If Waitms 1000 A = 0End If Return Display1: Inputbin Bt

If Bt <> &H0A Then

If Bt <> &H0D Then

S = S + Chr(bt)

End If

End If

Return

Eee:

Data 15 , 14 , 0 , 13 , 12 , 11 , 10 , 9 , 8 , 7 , 6 , 5 , 4 , 3 , 2 , 1