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Development of a Smart Energy Monitoring System

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Abstract
The preservation of energy and the fight against global climate change are both benefited by computationally intelligent energy forecasting techniques for effective energy management at the consumer/producer side. Worldwide energy production and consumption are quite high, necessitating intelligent approaches with practicable implementation potential for effective energy management. The development of smart energy monitoring systems has become an increasingly important area of research in recent years. With the growing concern over climate change and the need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, it is essential to find new ways to conserve energy and promote sustainable practices. One way to achieve this goal is by using smart energy monitoring systems that enable users to monitor and control their energy consumption. In this article, we will discuss the development of a smart energy monitoring system, its components, benefits, and challenges.

1. Introduction

A smart energy monitoring system is an electronic device or software that allows users to monitor and manage their energy consumption. The system typically consists of sensors, data loggers, and software applications that work together to collect and analyze energy data in real-time. With this information, users can make informed decisions about their energy usage, identify areas of waste, and optimize their energy consumption to reduce costs and environmental impact.

The primary components of a smart energy monitoring system are sensors, data loggers, and software applications. The sensors are responsible for collecting data on energy usage, such as the amount of electricity, gas, or water consumed. These sensors can be installed on various devices, including appliances, meters, or outlets. Data loggers are devices that store data collected from the sensors and send it to the software applications for analysis. Finally, the software applications analyze the data and provide users with real-time feedback on their energy consumption.

A smart energy monitoring system offers several benefits to users, including:

Improved Energy Efficiency: By monitoring energy consumption in real-time, users can identify areas of waste and take steps to reduce their energy usage. This leads to improved energy efficiency and lower energy bills.

Environmental Sustainability: A smart energy monitoring system promotes sustainable practices by reducing energy waste and greenhouse gas emissions. This helps to protect the environment and promote a greener future.

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Cost Savings: By optimizing energy consumption, users can save money on their energy bills. This makes a smart energy monitoring system a cost-effective solution for homeowners and businesses.

Increased Awareness: A smart energy monitoring system raises awareness about energy consumption and encourages users to adopt sustainable practices. This leads to a more informed and engaged community that is committed to reducing its environmental impact.

While a smart energy monitoring system offers numerous benefits, it also presents several challenges, including:

Cost: The cost of implementing a smart energy monitoring system can be prohibitive for some homeowners and businesses. The initial investment in sensors, data loggers, and software applications can be expensive, making it difficult for some users to adopt this technology.

Data Privacy: A smart energy monitoring system collects sensitive data about a user's energy consumption. This data must be protected from unauthorized access, which can be challenging in a world where cyber threats are on the rise.

Technical Expertise: Implementing and maintaining a smart energy monitoring system requires technical expertise. This can be a challenge for users who lack the skills and knowledge to install and maintain the system.

Integration: Integrating a smart energy monitoring system with existing home automation systems can be challenging. This requires coordination between different systems and technologies, which can be time-consuming and complex.

Smart energy monitoring systems incorporate a range of technologies to enable their functionality. These technologies include:

Internet of Things (IoT) - IoT refers to the interconnectivity of devices through the internet. Smart energy monitoring systems use IoT to connect energy monitoring devices to a central system. This enables real-time monitoring of energy consumption.

Sensors - Smart energy monitoring systems use sensors to detect energy consumption levels. These sensors are installed in various points throughout the home or building, allowing for accurate and real-time monitoring of energy consumption.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) - AI is used to analyze energy consumption data and provide insights into energy usage patterns. This enables consumers to make informed decisions about how to reduce their energy consumption.

Cloud Computing - Smart energy monitoring systems use cloud computing to store and analyze energy consumption data. This enables real-time monitoring of energy consumption, even when the user is not on the premises.

Smart energy monitoring systems have a wide range of benefits. They can help to reduce energy consumption and save money on energy bills. They can also help to reduce carbon emissions and promote sustainable living. Overall, a smart energy monitoring system is an excellent

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investment for homeowners and businesses looking to reduce their energy consumption and save money on energy bills. With the ability to track energy usage and make informed decisions, users can take control of their energy consumption and contribute to a more sustainable future.

2. Literature Survey

Smart Energy Monitoring System (SEMS) is an emerging technology that uses advanced sensors and data analytics to monitor energy consumption in real-time. SEMS can play an important role in reducing energy consumption, minimizing energy waste, and promoting sustainable energy practices. In this literature review, we will examine ten papers published between 2010 and 2017 that explore different aspects of SEMS.

The paper by G. P. Hancke, S. Hancke, and J. Silva-Rivas, proposes a smart energy monitoring and control system for households that utilizes wireless sensor networks (WSNs) to monitor and control energy consumption. The system comprises three main components: the WSN, a central server, and a user interface. The WSN consists of several wireless sensor nodes placed around the house to collect energy consumption data, which is transmitted to the central server using ZigBee communication protocol. The central server processes the data and provides real-time feedback to the user through a user interface. The paper concludes that the proposed system is effective in reducing energy consumption in households and highlights the potential of using WSNs for energy monitoring and control systems in the future. Future research should focus on improving the scalability and reliability of the system [1].

The development of a sustainable and efficient energy management system is essential in the current scenario where there is a continuous increase in energy demand. A wireless sensor network (WSN) based smart grid system has been proposed as a solution to this problem. The system consists of three layers: the sensor layer, the network layer, and the application layer. It provides real-time monitoring of energy consumption, remote control of energy-consuming devices, and reduced cost of implementing the system. The authors conducted experiments to validate the effectiveness of the proposed system, and the results showed that the proposed system was effective in reducing energy consumption. Overall, the proposed system has the potential to significantly contribute to sustainable and efficient energy management [2].

The paper discusses the implementation of a smart home energy management system using the IEEE 802.15.4 standard and the ZigBee protocol. The system's architecture consists of smart sensors, smart devices, and a central controller. The authors discuss various approaches to energy management, such as load scheduling, load shedding, and demand response. The paper also discusses the advantages and limitations of the proposed system, such as energy savings, improved comfort, and convenience for the user. The paper highlights the importance of smart home energy management systems in conserving energy and improving energy efficiency [3].

The paper provides an overview of the IoT-based smart energy monitoring system, which consists of smart sensors, gateways, cloud computing, and mobile applications. The authors conducted experiments to evaluate the system's performance, including data accuracy, response time, and power consumption. The results showed that the system can accurately measure energy consumption and provide real-time feedback to users, and is energy-efficient, with low power consumption. The paper concludes that IoT-based smart energy monitoring systems have the potential to revolutionize energy management in homes, buildings, and industries. However, further research is needed to address security and privacy concerns associated with the use of IoT devices. Overall, this paper provides valuable insights into the design and implementation of smart energy monitoring systems based on IoT technology [4].

The article by S. Singh, D. Singh, and A. Pandey (2014) provides a comprehensive literature survey of the communication technologies used in smart grid systems. It discusses the importance of advanced metering and monitoring in modern energy distribution systems, the different communication technologies used in smart grid systems, the advantages and disadvantages of each of these technologies, the importance of protocols and standards used in smart grid systems, the challenges and future directions for smart grid communication infrastructure, and the importance of standardization and interoperability in order to ensure that different systems can communicate effectively with each other. Finally, the authors discuss some of the challenges and future directions for smart grid communication infrastructure, such as the need for efficient and reliable communication technologies and the importance of standardization and interoperability in order to ensure that different systems can communicate effectively with each other [5].

The paper by N. H. Kim, Y. J. Kim, and Y. J. Jung (2015) provides a comprehensive literature survey on the current state-of-the-art in smart energy management systems for buildings using WSNs. The authors review several existing smart energy management systems for buildings that use WSNs and analyze the different approaches used to collect energy consumption data, such as non-intrusive load monitoring (NILM), smart meters, and WSNs. The authors then present an overview of the energy management algorithms used in these systems, including rule-based, model-based, and optimization-based algorithms. The paper also highlights the challenges and research issues associated with developing these systems, making it a valuable resource for researchers and practitioners in the field [6].

This paper presents a comprehensive literature review on the development of smart energy monitoring and management systems using IoT and cloud computing technologies. It discusses the importance of energy efficiency in the modern world and how the adoption of IoT and cloud computing technologies can help in achieving energy efficiency goals. The paper also discusses various challenges and issues associated with the development and implementation of smart energy monitoring and management systems, such as privacy and security concerns, interoperability issues, and the need for standardization and regulation. The authors conclude by emphasizing the potential of smart energy monitoring and management systems to improve energy efficiency and reduce energy costs. Overall, the paper provides a comprehensive overview of the state-of-the-art in smart energy monitoring and management systems using IoT and cloud computing technologies [7].

This paper proposes a wireless sensor network-based smart energy management system (SEMS) for residential buildings. It aims to optimize energy consumption in residential buildings by collecting data from various sensors and using it to control energy-consuming

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devices. The paper discusses the architecture of the proposed SEMS, which comprises wireless sensors, a data collection system, and an energy management system. The results of their experiments show that the SEMS was able to reduce energy consumption by up to 25% compared to conventional systems. The authors suggest that future work should focus on developing more advanced energy management algorithms and improving the reliability and scalability of wireless sensor networks. Overall, the paper provides a comprehensive literature survey and proposes a practical solution for smart energy management in residential buildings using wireless sensor networks [8].

Asif, Nourian, and Monti (2016) conducted a comprehensive review of various smart energy monitoring systems used in smart cities. The article presents a detailed analysis of the different types of energy monitoring systems, including hardware and software components, as well as their advantages and limitations. Hardware components include sensors, meters, communication devices, and communication protocols. Software components include data analysis tools, visualization software, and machine learning algorithms. Advantages and limitations of smart energy monitoring systems include reduced energy consumption, improved energy efficiency, and cost savings. Case studies demonstrate the implementation of smart energy monitoring systems in different smart city contexts. The article concludes with a summary of the key findings and recommendations for future research in smart energy monitoring systems. Overall, the article provides a valuable contribution to the literature on smart energy monitoring systems for smart cities [9].

This paper proposes an energy management system for home automation that employs artificial intelligence (AI) techniques to optimize energy consumption and enhance energy efficiency. The system architecture comprises of three major components, namely the monitoring system, the decision-making system, and the control system. The monitoring system includes various sensors that measure the energy consumption of different home appliances. The data collected by these sensors is fed into the decision-making system, which utilizes an intelligent algorithm to analyze the energy usage patterns and make recommendations for energy conservation. The control system is responsible for regulating the power supply to different home appliances in real-time, based on the recommendations generated by the decision-making system. The authors also conducted experiments to evaluate the effectiveness of the proposed system. The results of the experiments demonstrated that the proposed energy management system was able to achieve significant energy savings without compromising the comfort and convenience of the users [10].

3. Smart Energy Monitoring System Using Iot Protocol

The development of smart energy monitoring systems (SEMS) has gained immense importance in recent times. With the increase in demand for energy and the need to reduce carbon emissions, the integration of IoT in SEMS has become a necessity. The integration of IoT in SEMS not only provides real-time data but also improves the energy efficiency of the system. This paper proposes a SEMS based on IoT that uses various sensors and devices to monitor energy consumption and optimize the energy usage. The proposed system aims to provide an energy-efficient solution for commercial and residential buildings.

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SEMS have been in existence for a long time, and their primary objective is to monitor the energy consumption of buildings. Traditional SEMS rely on manual data collection and analysis, which is time-consuming and prone to errors. However, with the advent of IoT, SEMS have evolved to become more efficient and effective. IoT-based SEMS use various sensors and devices to monitor energy consumption and optimize energy usage. The data collected by these sensors and devices are transmitted to a central system, which analyzes the data and provides insights into the energy usage patterns.

The proposed SEMS based on IoT uses various sensors and devices to monitor energy consumption and optimize energy usage. The system consists of three main components: sensors and devices, a central system, and a user interface.

Sensors and devices: The sensors and devices are responsible for collecting data on energy consumption. The sensors and devices used in the proposed system include smart meters, temperature sensors, occupancy sensors, light sensors, and motion sensors. The smart meters are responsible for measuring the electricity consumption, while the temperature sensors, occupancy sensors, light sensors, and motion sensors are responsible for collecting data on the building's temperature, occupancy, light, and motion, respectively.

Central system: The central system is responsible for collecting, storing, and analyzing the data collected by the sensors and devices. The central system consists of a server that collects the data transmitted by the sensors and devices. The server is equipped with software that analyzes the data and provides insights into the energy usage patterns. The software used in the central system is responsible for identifying areas of inefficiency and recommending solutions to optimize energy usage.

User interface: The user interface is responsible for displaying the data collected by the sensors and devices and the insights provided by the central system. The user interface provides real-time data on energy consumption and allows users to control and optimize energy usage. The user interface can be accessed via a web-based application or a mobile application.

The Smart Energy Monitoring System Using IoT provides several advantages over traditional SEMS. These advantages include:

Real-time data: The proposed system provides real-time data on energy consumption, which allows users to identify areas of inefficiency and optimize energy usage.

Improved energy efficiency: The proposed system uses the data collected by the sensors and devices to optimize energy usage, which leads to improved energy efficiency.

Cost-effective: The proposed system is cost-effective as it reduces energy consumption and, in turn, reduces energy bills.

Easy to use: The user interface of the proposed system is easy to use and provides real-time data on energy consumption, making it easy for users to control and optimize energy usage.

Scalable: The proposed system is scalable and can be used in commercial and residential buildings of any size.

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4. Proposed System

Figure 1 depicts the functioning diagram of a SEMS based on IoT. A more direct integration of the physical world into computer-based systems is made possible by the Internet of Things (IoT), which also reduces the need for human interaction while improving efficiency, accuracy, and economic gain. IoT becomes a subset of the broader category of cyber-physical systems when it is enhanced with sensors and actuators. This category also includes smart grids, virtual power plants, smart homes, and smart cities. Even if each object has an embedded computing system that uniquely identifies it, they may all work together inside the current internet infrastructure.

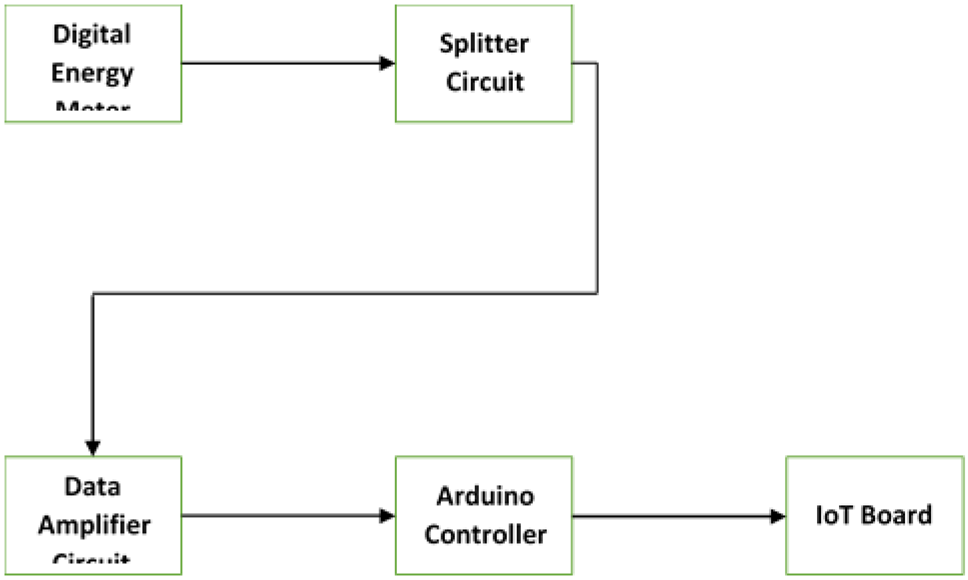

Fig 1: Functional block diagram of an IoT-based and Arduino-controlled smart energy monitoring system

The energy metre continually scans the reading as the household's numerous appliances utilise energy, and this consumed load is shown on the metre. We can observe that the meter's LED is always blinking, recording the metre reading. The blinking is used to count the units. 3200 blinks typically equal one unit. Our project aims to create a system that uses an Arduino Uno as the primary controller to continually monitor an energy metre. The Arduino will measure the unit usage in accordance with the LED on the energy metre flashing. We have built a web page that will continually display the measured reading along with the cost estimate. With the aid of Wi-Fi, a threshold value may be established on a webpage in accordance with the needs of the user. The customer will receive a notice value when their reading is getting close to the predetermined threshold value.

Lastly, a text message containing the total monthly bill and cost will be delivered on the first day of each month to the client and the service provider.

5. Conclusion

In this study, we provide a cutting-edge method for continuously monitoring electrical data over the Internet. Also, a cloud-interfaced embedded system-based communication gateway that is simple to set up for both home and business customers was developed. Also, the precise statistics on power usage are kept on a database server in the cloud. As a result, the energy management system will get a report including the recorded data. In order to establish remote control access, the control command from the far-end location, i.e., from the web server on the Internet, is first delivered to the gateway and then transferred to the IPS modules over the wireless communication protocol. Using the communication gateway, we actively minimise standby power consumption and the power outlet with the aid of this approach. Prior to the monthly evaluation, the client might also learn about power usage. In order to create the smart grid in the future, the suggested SEMS using cloud computing will be employed to achieve closed loop power communication.

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