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Efficient Street Light System

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Abstract: This Project work presents a new economical solution for street light control systems. Today street lights system is not flexible most of the controlling is done manual by whereas some are automated based on environment parameters. Biggest problem is to handle remote area locations. Manual mistakes result into power wastage. So there is a need of efficient street light system to provide wireless access for controlling it. The project deals with the issue caused due to underutilization of resources and also overcome the negligence of common workers. The implemented system has facilities like:

- 1) Lights will be turned ON only during dark hours typically (6pm to 6am).
- 2) Lights can be made ON/OFF as per required timing
- 3) Lights can also be turned ON/OFF using by IR Sensors based on the movement of vehicles.

The control system consists of a control circuitry and the electrical devices. This also includes client server mechanism where user can directly interact with web based application to control the Street lights from any place with the help of Web page. This ranges from controlling a circuit of street lights and/or individual light, with android application and network operating protocols. This includes sending and receiving instructions via separate data network. Proposed system controls all the street lights using Web pages. All the street lights are generally connected to a junction. These junctions are controlled by an android application/Web page and as per the need, street lights can be switched ON/OFF. The main aim is to provide IP to every junction which can be controlled through internet. The primary objective is to develop efficient Street Light System.

To provide wireless access for handling it.

Need some Server which can be used to monitor whole city's street lights.

Low-cost Internet technology can be used for remote access.

Controlling the street lights based on the traffic intensity only during the nights.

Keyword: Traffic Intensity, Web based application, IR Sensor, IP, client server mechanism

I. INTRODUCTION

Street lights are the key factor of any city to make it smart city. But we have seen such situation where our street lights are ON in presence of daylight. So we want to develop such a system which will operate street lights of the city at any time. The motivation of this project is to design a smart lighting system which targets the energy saving and autonomous operation which is economical and affordable for the streets.

Design a smart lighting system with modular approach design, which makes the system scalable and reliable. Design a smart lighting system which is compatible and scalable with other commercial product and automation systems, which might include more than one lighting systems.

This project presents a new economical solution for street light control systems. The control system consists of a control circuitry and the electrical devices. This also includes client server mechanism where user can directly interact with web based application to control the Street light from any place with the help of web application. A street light control system has been developed to control and reduce energy consumption of a town's public lighting system.

This ranges from controlling a circuit of street lights and/or individual light with web application and network operating protocols. This includes sending and receiving instructions via separate data networks, at high frequency over the top of the low voltage supply or wireless. Street lights are connected to the junction.

There are multiple junctions each junction covering some particular part of the city.

The main aim is to provide IP to every junction which can be controlled through internet. The main motivation behind implementing project is to save energy. It is an automated system designed to increase the efficiency and accuracy on automated time control, governed and also on traffic density basis.

When the traffic density is low at a particular time the street lights turn off automatically and when the traffic density is increases or when the vehicles are detected the street lights are turned on automatically.

II. BLOCK DIAGRAM

Figure 1 Block Diagram

III. FLOW CHART

Figure 2 Algorithms / Flow Chart

III. OPERATING PROCEDURE

In this project we use four functional components. Those are Raspberry pi zero w, Real Time Clock, IR sensor and Relays. Here we are using Raspberry pi zero w for controlling the operation of street lights.

We are using Node.js a JavaScript runtime environment to compile and execute our JavaScript code. The Node.js is especially available for 32 bit arm processors. The Node.js is downloaded and installed on the raspberry pi zero w. Once that is being installed we download some dependencies and libraries to make the raspberry pi zero w to act as web server. The library which makes the raspberry pi to listen to the HTTP requests and process them is “Express.js”. To control the raspberry pi zero w GPIO pins we need another dependency that is “rpio.js”. Since JavaScript is a single threaded process and Node.js makes the JavaScript non – blocking and asynchronous it is difficult incorporate delay, there is another dependency called “System-Sleep” which temporarily stops the execution of the program. To control the street lights on a particular time we use a dependency called “Moment.js” which is a C++

native library to keep track of time and interact with our JavaScript code. The express.js library accepts and processes the HTTP requests and also responds to the requests by serving a specified web page.

That web page is responsible for accessing and controlling the street lights.

This web page has a form, which is to be filled by the end user, that form contains timing inputs and after hitting the submit button the client sends the timing information's which has to be processed at the server side.

Since the information is encoded and encapsulated in the body of the webpage that has to be processed by the server by using a dependency called "body-parser". The body-parser filter the information from the client at the server, all the information obtained at the server is in string format this has to be converted to integral format type or int data type to process the timing information. The Real Time Clock is interfaced with the raspberry pi to keep track of time since the raspberry pi zero w doesn't have an inbuilt timer, to keep track of time. The real time clock used here is DS1307.

Along with this there is also an IR sensor, which detects the obstacles or objects and performs a specific operation; in this case it turns on the street light at a specific time when the traffic intensity is low.

The Raspberry Pi Zero W listens to the HTTP requests at a specified port. When a user makes a request or hits the Static IP address in the browser along with the port number, the Pi zero W process this requests and serves the client a web page form. Here the Raspberry Pi Zero W acts as Server and the end user as the Client.

The client enters the specific time intervals from which the street lights has to turn on and when they should be turned off and also a delay time. The delay time specifies the duration amount till which the street light has to be on.

The web page has four turn on times t_1 , t_2 , t_3 and t_4 . The street light will be turned on from interval t_1 to t_2 and t_3 to t_4 and will be turned off during the rest of the intervals.

The Street lights will be turned off from the interval t_2 to t_3 , here the IR Sensor will come into picture, the IR Sensor is placed strategically at specific check point where traffic intensity is likely to be high or that check point could be the entry point for a specific location. During the period t_2 to t_3 , the IR Sensor detects the Vehicle movement and turns on the street lights. The raspberry pi zero w doesn't turn on the street lights they have to be coupled with relays to turn on the street lights.

The raspberry pi provides the control signal to the relays which turn on and turn off the street lights.

The raspberry pi has to be provided with external backup power supply.

The raspberry pi has to be provided with the static IP address, this address is given to the user and the IP address along with port number is hit in the browser the client connects to the server, provided the client has access to the internet. The web server or raspberry pi zero w has to be in the same network as of the client and the client will be able to connect to the server.

Execution Procedure:

Connect to Raspberry pi via VNC Viewer or any other Remote Desktop application

Then open the terminal and type the following commands:

"cd Desktop/fp/final-mod-light" and then hit enter

"node app.js", hit enter

Then a port number will be displayed in the terminal which is already pre-configured by the user to which they have to connect. A web page will be displayed through which the street lights will be controlled. The first two timings specify the interval during which the lights should be ON and so do the second two timing inputs also.

The time duration between the first and the second time limits specify when they should be OFF and the street lights operation is controlled by IR Sensor. Street lights are on when the vehicle movement is detected

IV. RESULTS

The project aims were to reduce the side effects of the current lighting system and find a solution to save power. In this project the first thing to do is to prepare the inputs and outputs of the system to control the lights. The project shown in the figure has been implemented and works as expected and will prove to be very useful.

Hence, such systems are very much useful for the government to reduce the utilization of conventional power. Therefore, such systems are once implemented on a large scale can bring significant reduction of the power consumption caused by street lights. This initiative will help the government to save this energy and meet the domestic and industrial needs.

Figure 3 Before the detection of the vehicle

Figure 4 After detection of the vehicle the street lights are turned ON

Figure 5 Webpage served to the client

VI. APPLICATIONS

A. Smart City

There is a growing demand for efficient solutions in different areas. The improvement of the quality of service and the reduction of resource waste is the goal of new solutions. Smart city needs technologies like street lighting system which reduces the consumption of energy and supports the economic growth of city leads to economic growth of country.

B. Energy Efficiency

Saving energy using need-based lighting management in homes and offices: By collecting and identifying real time data about occupants, incident sunlight and light-field sensing, smart lighting system can optimize the required light output in both day and night.

C. Remote Areas

Manual control is not always possible, So we can control the street lights from remote location also. Sometimes traffic density is very less so the street lights are turned on only during vehicle detection.

D. Highways

At a particular time, IR sensor operation is not considered, more prominence is given.

VII. CONCLUSIONS

The smart Street lighting system integrate new technologies offering ease of maintenance and energy savings, this is a cost effective, practical, eco-friendly and the safest way to save energy. And this system has scope in various other applications like for providing lighting in industries, campuses and parking lots of huge shopping malls. This can also be used for surveillance in corporate campuses and industries.

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