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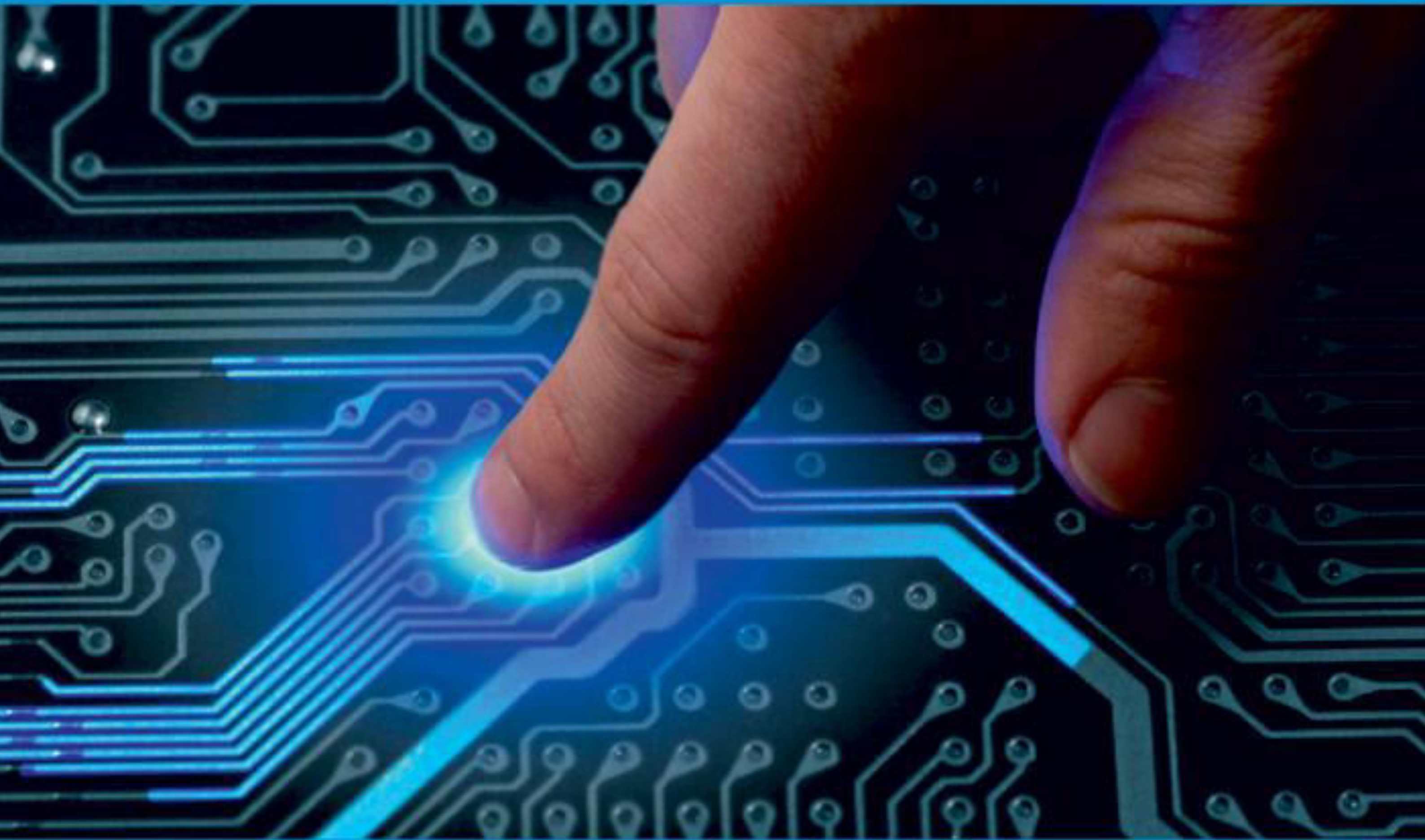

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IoT-Based Monitoring and Control of Android-Compatible Devices for Industries and Institutions

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ABSRACT: A wide range of industries, institutions, and startups have embraced the Internet of Things (IoT) to leverage emerging business opportunities. IoT relies on networked devices and related technologies to function semi-intelligently and autonomously. Ensuring seamless connectivity for mobile devices is already challenging, let alone enhancing their intelligence. Given the diverse needs of users, IoT systems must be adaptable and configurable to accommodate various situations and preferences. The project **"Monitoring and Controlling of Android-Compatible Devices for Industries and Institutions Using IoT"** focuses on industrial automation, offering enhanced safety, energy management, and convenience. Tailored solutions are available for various industries and businesses, catering to different income levels and lifestyles. Users can select automation features for energy management and convenience based on their specific needs. Industrial automation systems can be integrated into both new and existing structures and can be remotely accessed and controlled via smartphones or tablets. This project encompasses the automation of industrial and household activities, including centralized control of lighting, HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning), appliances, security locks for gates and doors, and other systems. The primary objective is to enhance convenience, comfort, energy efficiency, and security through intelligent automation solutions.

KEYWORDS: IoT, GSM, Wireless Networks, Microcontroller

I. INTRODUCTION

The term **Internet of Things (IoT)** was introduced over a decade ago by industry researchers, but it has only recently gained widespread attention. While some experts predict that IoT will revolutionize computer networks for decades, others argue that it is merely a temporary trend with minimal impact on everyday life.
IoT broadly refers to the capability of networked devices to sense, collect, and share data over the Internet, where it can be processed and used for various applications. In industrial settings, IoT is often referred to as the **Industrial Internet**, emphasizing its role in manufacturing and commercial automation. However, IoT is not limited to industries—its potential extends to future consumer applications as well.

One of the key concerns surrounding IoT is **data privacy**. Whether it involves real-time tracking of an individual's location or personal health metrics like weight and blood pressure, the transmission of such sensitive data over wireless networks raises significant privacy and security issues. Another major challenge is **power consumption**, as maintaining billions of IoT devices and their network connections can be costly and complex, despite advancements in energy-efficient mobile technology.

Numerous startups and industry collaborations have embraced IoT, aiming to capitalize on its business potential. IoT envisions a world where connected devices function **semi-autonomously**, adapting to user preferences and varying conditions. **Industrial automation**, a key application of IoT, enhances safety, optimizes energy use, and provides convenience. Businesses across different income levels can integrate automation, energy management, and smart control features into their operations. These **automation systems** can be implemented in new or existing buildings and accessed remotely via smartphones or tablets.

Industrial automation covers a range of functions, including **centralized control of lighting, HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning), appliances, and security systems** to improve comfort, energy efficiency, and security. It can also **enhance the quality of life for the elderly and disabled**, reducing the need for caregivers by automating essential household tasks.

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This project focuses on **reducing energy waste** by allowing users to control industrial or home appliances, such as water heaters, lights, and fans, remotely via the Internet. Automation is no longer limited to high-end, futuristic buildings—it is becoming increasingly accessible as costs continue to decline.

Furthermore, **industrial automation is an extension of building automation**, creating a smart interface between industrial appliances, smartphones, and the Internet. By enhancing traditional gateways, users can remotely monitor and control sensors connected to an Internet-enabled system.

With the growing affordability and simplicity of smartphone and tablet integration, **industrial automation is gaining significant traction**. The rise of IoT has played a pivotal role in the popularization of smart home and industrial automation, making connected living and working environments a reality.

II. NEED FOR THE SYSTEM

An **industrial automation system** integrates electrical devices within industries, enabling control through a computer or smartphone via **GSM (Global System for Mobile Communication)**. GSM is a widely used **digital mobile telephony system** that operates in Europe and other parts of the world. It employs a **time division multiple access (TDMA) technique**, where data is digitized, compressed, and transmitted alongside two other user data streams in separate time slots.

Since many GSM network operators have **roaming agreements** with international providers, users can continue using their mobile phones when traveling abroad. **SIM cards (Subscriber Identity Module)** can be switched to those with metered local access, significantly reducing roaming costs without affecting service quality.
This technology is utilized for **controlling industrial machines** such as fans, lights, water heaters, alarms, and AC motors. These devices are connected to an **AT89S52 microcontroller**, which is further linked to a PC or an **Android-supported mobile device with internet access**. From any location, users can remotely turn devices **ON or OFF**, helping to prevent unnecessary energy consumption.

The **GSM modem** includes an **internal TCP/IP stack**, allowing internet connectivity via **GPRS**. It supports **SMS, voice calls, and data transfer**, making it suitable for **machine-to-machine (M2M) communication**. The modem's **regulated power supply** enables it to function within a wide range of unregulated power sources. Using **AT commands**, the GSM modem can initiate and receive calls, send and read SMS messages, and access the internet. Devices such as **motors, generators, power plants, and buzzers** can be integrated, allowing control via a **personal computer** and enabling **remote access** through the internet. By merging **information technologies** with industrial environments, systems and appliances can communicate seamlessly, offering **convenience, energy efficiency, and enhanced security**.

1) Objective of the Project

This project focuses on **monitoring and controlling smart equipment** using a **GSM module**, leveraging the **Internet of Things (IoT)**.
It involves:

- **Remote temperature sensing** using a **temperature sensor**
- **Gas detection** using a **gas sensor**
- **Processing sensor data via a microcontroller**
- **Transmitting data to a GSM modem via a serial port using MAX232**
- **Receiving data on another GSM modem and sending it to a personal computer**
- **Analyzing data in a central server** to determine the operational status of local devices and provide an accurate response

The system is **safe, cost-effective, highly precise, and real-time**, making it a **valuable solution for industrial automation**.

This project is primarily based on the **Internet of Things (IoT)**, which refers to **uniquely identifiable objects and their virtual representations** within an internet-connected structure. The concept gained popularity with the idea that, in the future, billions of devices will be interconnected. If **everyday objects and individuals** are equipped with identifiers, they can be efficiently managed and monitored using **smartphones**, further advancing the IoT revolution.

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III. RELATED WORKS

A. Remote Controller

A remote controller enables **wireless control, automation, and telemetry** across various industrial applications, including **automated pump systems, wireless airfield lighting, and remote temperature monitoring**. Any device that can be **switched ON or OFF or transmit and receive data** can be managed wirelessly.

Remote control technology is a **leading solution** in the wireless industry, offering **customized and ready-made products** along with **engineering and system integration services**. Remote controllers are broadly classified into **wired and wireless** types.

B. Wired Remote Controllers

Wired remote controllers are commonly used in electronic devices such as **TVs, DVD players, and home appliances**. They function as **consumer IR (infrared) devices**, transmitting **digitally encoded pulses of infrared radiation** to control settings like **power, volume, tuning, temperature, and fan speed**.

Disadvantages:

- The presence of cables may cause **obstruction and entanglement** risks.
- Limited operation due to **shorter battery life**.

C. Wireless Remote Controllers

Wireless remote controllers allow users to **operate machines and appliances from a distance**, such as televisions and industrial equipment.

Disadvantages:

- Control is often dependent on **infrared signals**, which require a **direct line of sight**.
- Handling large transport loads may be **challenging due to control limitations**.

D. Bluetooth

Bluetooth is a **wireless communication standard** that facilitates **short-range data exchange** using **short-wavelength UHF radio waves (2.4–2.485 GHz ISM band)**. Initially developed by **Ericsson in 1994** as a wireless alternative to **RS-232 data cables**, it allows multiple devices to **connect and synchronize** efficiently.

Bluetooth is overseen by the **Bluetooth Special Interest Group (SIG)**, which has over **25,000 member companies** in telecommunications, computing, networking, and consumer electronics. The IEEE initially standardized it as **IEEE 802.15.1**, but it is no longer maintained under this standard.

Technical Details:

- Operates at **2402–2480 MHz** (or **2400–2483.5 MHz** with guard bands).
- Uses **frequency-hopping spread spectrum** technology.
- Divides data into **packets**, transmitting each one across **79 designated Bluetooth channels** (each **1 MHz wide**).
- Performs **800 frequency hops per second** for secure and stable communication.

E. Wi-Fi

Wi-Fi is a **wireless networking technology** that enables electronic devices to **connect to a wireless LAN (WLAN)**. It primarily operates on the **2.4 GHz (UHF) and 5 GHz (SHF) radio bands**. A **WLAN network** is typically password-protected, but open networks allow any device within range to access its resources.

F. ZigBee

ZigBee is a **low-power wireless communication protocol** based on **IEEE 802.15.4**. It is designed for **personal area networks (PANs)**, using small, low-power digital radios. Its **low energy consumption** restricts its **transmission range to 10–100 meters** in a direct line of sight.

IV. METHODOLOGY

1) GSM (Global System for Mobile Communication)

GSM is the **most widely used** cellular technology worldwide. Mobile phones connect to a **GSM network** by locating nearby **cell towers** operated by a service provider.

GSM was developed as a **standardization initiative in 1982** to create a **unified European mobile communication system**. Operating at **900 MHz**, it was later adopted by several countries outside Europe, making it a **global standard for digital cellular communication**.

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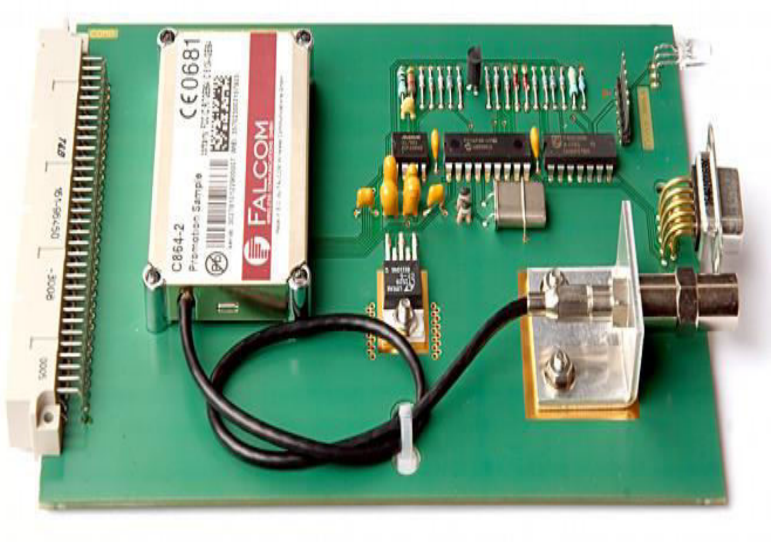

Figure 1: GSM Modem

2) Advantages of Using This Modem

One key advantage of this modem is its **RS232 port**, which enables seamless **communication and embedded application development**. It supports various applications, including **SMS-based control, data transfer, remote operation, and logging**. By interfacing the modem with a **microcontroller via MAX232**, users can **send and receive SMS messages, make and receive voice calls**, and even operate in **GPRS mode for internet connectivity**.

The **SIM900A GSM modem** is a **highly flexible, plug-and-play, quad-band device** that integrates effortlessly with **RS232-based applications**, making it an ideal solution for numerous communication-based projects.

V. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

- **Benefits of Using This Modem**

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VI. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

A **manufacturing system** comprises **intelligent, adaptable resources** that communicate via **wired or wireless networks**. These resources are linked to a **centralized control and information management system**, ensuring **efficient coordination and real-time monitoring**.

The **enterprise cloud** serves as a **service hub**, connecting the **manufacturing system and its resources** to a **central plant**. This setup enables **remote access to specific manufacturing units**, allowing for **status monitoring, software upgrades, and algorithm enhancements or installations**, ultimately improving **efficiency and adaptability**.

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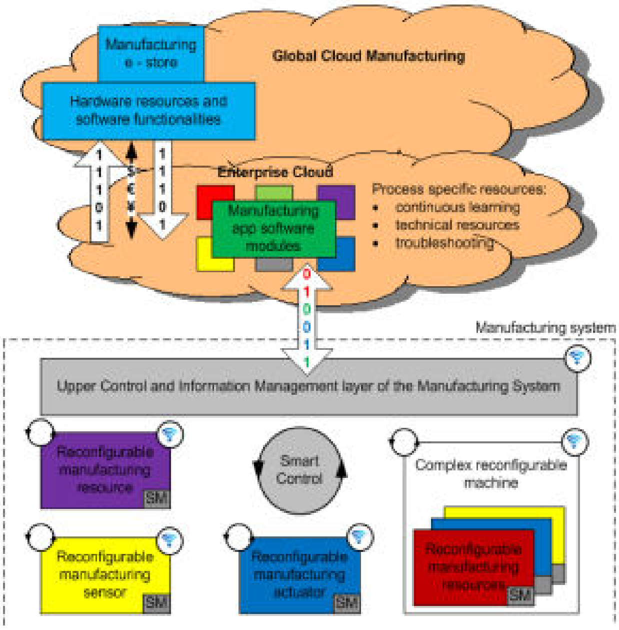

Global Manufacturing Cloud

The **Global Manufacturing Cloud** represents a **worldwide network of manufacturing**, where enterprises can **buy or sell products, raw materials, software, hardware resources, technical support, and data**. This interconnected system facilitates seamless collaboration and resource sharing across industries.Functionality When an **Android-compatible device** is connected to the **embedded system**, the user can **monitor key parameters**, such as:

- **Temperature readings**
- **System runtime**
- **Maintenance due time**

Additionally, users can execute specific actions, such as **turning the fan on or off**, by sending predefined commands like **"Fan On" or "Fan Off"**. A **software application from Roving Networks** serves as a **terminal interface**, enabling **real-time monitoring and control** of the embedded system through a **WiFi wireless shield**.

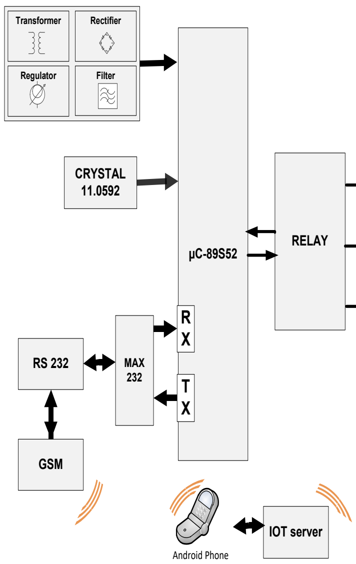

Figure 2: System Architecture

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- ***Microcontroller AT89S52***

A microcontroller is a single chip that contains the processor (the CPU), non-volatile memory for the program (ROM or flash), volatile memory for input and output (RAM), a clock and an I/O control unit. Also called a "computer on a chip," billions of microcontroller units (MCUs) are embedded each year in a myriad of products from toys to appliances to automobiles. An integrated circuit that contains many of the same items that a desktop computer has, such as CPU, memory, etc., but does not include any “human interface” devices like a monitor, keyboard, or mouse. Microcontrollers are designed for machine control applications, rather than human interaction.

- ***PCB:***

Printed Circuit Board is complex electronic circuits require many electrical connections between components. A printed circuit board is simply a rigid piece of (usually) fiberglass that has many copper wires embedded on (or sometimes in) it. These wires carry the signals between individual components in the circuit. Any microcontroller (or computer) system consists of two primary components: hardware and software. The hardware is the actual physical components of the system. The software is a list of instructions which reside inside the hardware. We will now create the hardware, and then write a software program to “control it”.

In order for our microcontroller to interact with the real world, we need to assemble some “hardware”. We’ll be using a PCB called the “Board of Education”. This board was created to simplify connecting “real world stuff” to the BASIC Stamp. Connectors are provided for power (wall transformer or 9 volt battery), the programming cable, and the Input / Output pins of the BASIC Stamp. There is also a “prototyping area” or breadboard (the white board with all the holes in it)

The AT89S52 is a low-power, high-performance CMOS 8-bit microcontroller with 8K bytes of in-system programmable Flash memory. It is compatible with the industry-standard 80C51 instruction set and pin out. The on-chip Flash allows the program memory to be reprogrammed in-system or by a conventional nonvolatile memory programmers. By combining a versatile 8-bit CPU with in-system programmable Flash on a monolithic chip, the Atmel AT89S52 is a powerful microcontroller, which provides a highly flexible and cost-effective solution to many, embedded control applications.

- ***MAX 232***

The MAX232 is an integrated circuit first created in 1987 by Maxim Integrated Products that converts signals from a TIA-232 (RS-232) serial port to signals suitable for use in TTL-compatible digital logic circuits. The MAX232 is a dual driver/receiver and typically converts the RX, TX, CTS and RTS signals. The RS232 standard is not TTL compatible; therefore it requires a line driver such as MAX232 chip to convert RS232 voltage levels to TTL levels, and vice versa. 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. The MAX232 is a dual driver/receiver and typically converts the RX, TX, CTS and RTS signals.

The drivers provide RS-232 voltage level outputs (approx. ± 7.5 V) from a single + 5 V supply via on-chip charge pumps and external capacitors. This makes it useful for implementing RS-232 in devices that otherwise do not need any voltages outside the 0 V to + 5 V range, as power supply design does not need to be made more complicated just for driving the RS-232 in this case. The receivers reduce RS-232 inputs (which may be as high as ± 25 V), to standard 5 V TTL levels. These receivers have a typical threshold of 1.3 V, and a typical hysteresis of 0.5 V. The later MAX232A is backwards compatible with the original MAX232 but may operate at higher baud rates and can use smaller external capacitors – 0.1 μF in place of the 1.0 μF capacitors used with the original device. The newer MAX3232 is also backwards compatible, but operates at a broader voltage range, from 3 to 5.5V. Voltage levels It is helpful to understand what occurs to the voltage levels.

The MAX232(A) has two receivers that convert from RS-232 to TTL voltage levels, and two drivers that convert from TTL logic to RS-232 voltage levels. As a result, only two out of all RS-232 signals can be converted in each direction. Typically, the first driver/receiver pair of the MAX232 is used for TX and RX signals, and the second one for CTS and RTS signals. There are not enough drivers/receivers in the MAX232 to also connect the DTR, DSR, and DCD signals. Usually, these signals can be omitted when, for example, communicating with a PC's serial interface. If the DTE really requires these signals, either a second MAX232 is needed, or some other IC from the MAX232 family can be used. Also, it is possible to connect DTR (DE-9 pin #4) directly to DSR (DE-9 pin #6) without going through any circuitry, which provides an automatic (brain-dead) DSR acknowledgment of the incoming DTR signal.

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- ***Relays Working***

All relays contain a sensing unit, the electric coil, which is powered by AC or DC current. When the applied current or voltage exceeds a threshold value, the coil activates the armature, which operates either to close the open contacts or to open the closed contacts. When a power is supplied to the coil, it generates a magnetic force that actuates the switch mechanism. The magnetic force is, in effect, relaying the action from one circuit to another. The first circuit is called the control circuit; the second is called the load circuit.

There are three basic functions of a relay: On/Off Control, Limit Control and Logic operations.

1) **On/Off Control**: Example: Air conditioning control, used to limit and control a "high power" load, such as a compressor
2) **Limit Control**: Example: Motor Speed Control, used to disconnect a motor if it runs slower or faster than the desired speed
3) **Logic Operation**: Example: Test Equipment, used to connect the instrument to a number of testing points on the device under test.

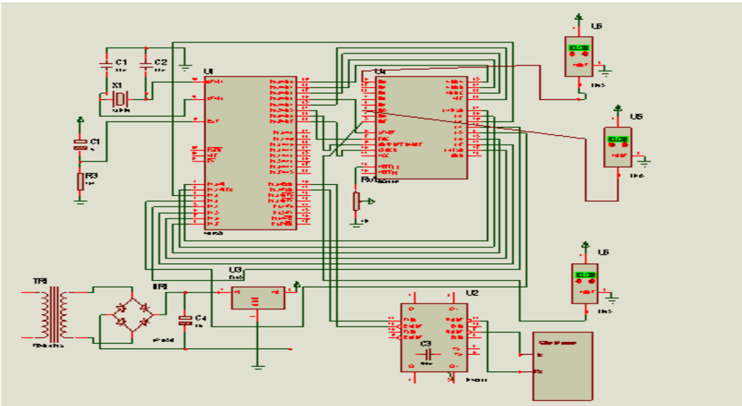

Figure 3: Layout Diagram

- **Dataflow Diagram**

GSM modem accept any GSM network operator SIM card and can act just like a mobile number. Global System for Mobile Communication which is a wireless modem used to communicate between controlling unit and android phone. It just accepts certain commands through a serial interface and acknowledges for those. These commands are called as AT commands.

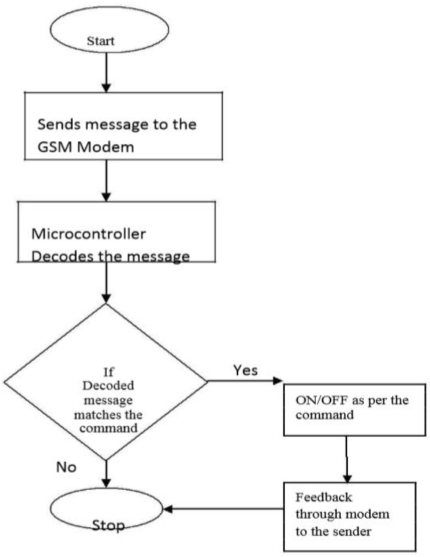

Figure 4: Dataflow Diagram

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Implementation and Testing

The experiment aims to **evaluate the efficiency** of **controlling and monitoring** smart equipment using **Android-compatible devices**. This assessment considers both the **performance of the embedded system** and the **effectiveness of the chosen connectivity solution**.

At this stage, the goal is to successfully demonstrate key **IoT characteristics**, as illustrated in **Figure 5**, including:

- **Anytime** – Uninterrupted accessibility
- **Anyplace** – Remote monitoring and control
- **Anyone** – User-friendly operation
- **Partially Any Network** – Compatibility with various network environments

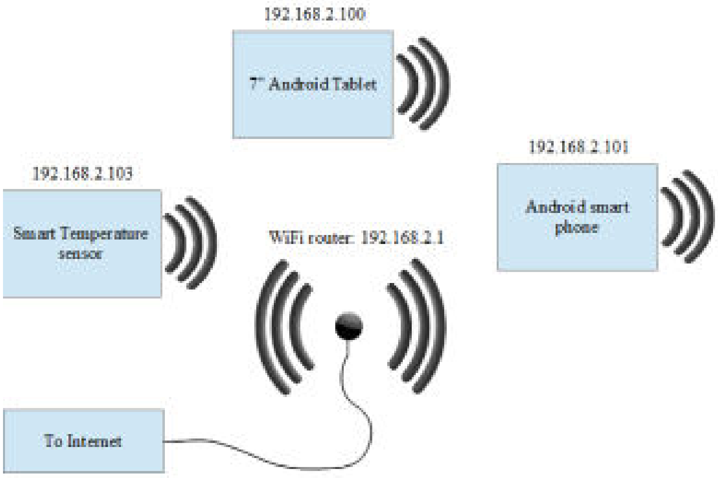

Figure 5 : Configuration of Things

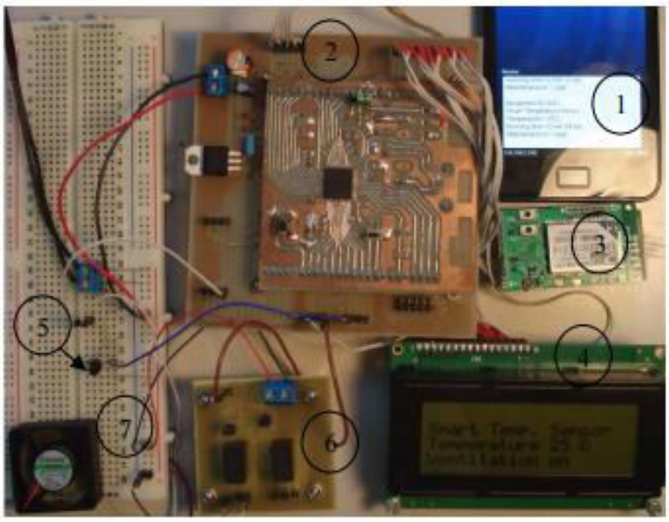

Figure 6: Experimental Workbench

Figure 6 illustrates the **experimental workbench**, which consists of an **embedded system** featuring an **LCD display (4)** for local process information. The setup also includes an **Android-compatible smartphone (1)**. Additionally, the figure highlights:

- A **custom-built embedded system (2)**
- A **Wi-Fi module (3)**
- An **LM35 temperature sensor (5)**
- A **relay board (6)** for controlling loads
- A **5V DC fan (7)**

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VII. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

The **GSM-based remote temperature monitoring system** has been successfully implemented, allowing remote temperature sensing and transmission to a **personal computer** via a **GSM modem**. The system efficiently monitors temperature variations, making it useful for **garages, factories, and other industrial environments** where temperature regulation is critical.
However, certain **limitations** exist:

- The sensors used in the project are **highly sensitive**, affecting accuracy.
- If the **network is congested**, SMS delivery may fail.

Potential Enhancements:

- **Simplified Input Module Design** – Making the system more user-friendly.
- **Hardware Optimization** – Reducing size and cost.
- **Real-Time Data Transmission** – Enhancing system responsiveness.
- **Temperature Alarm Integration** – Triggering an alert if the threshold is exceeded. **Improved Sensors** – Using more precise temperature sensors for better accuracy.

Future Developments:

- **Designing an intuitive Human-Machine Interface (HMI)** for Android devices, enabling extended access and control of **embedded system functionalities**.
- **Developing cloud-based software applications** that can be downloaded to **manufacturing resources**, enhancing **process control and monitoring capabilities**.

Developing an intuitive, use-centered graphical human-machine interface for Android devices that can provide extended access and control to information stored within the embedded design and to its functionalities. Development of software applications that can be downloaded from enterprise cloud to a manufacturing resource and used by this resource for process control and monitoring.

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