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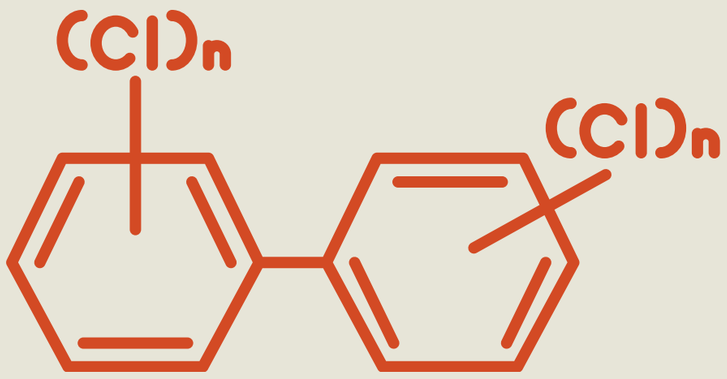

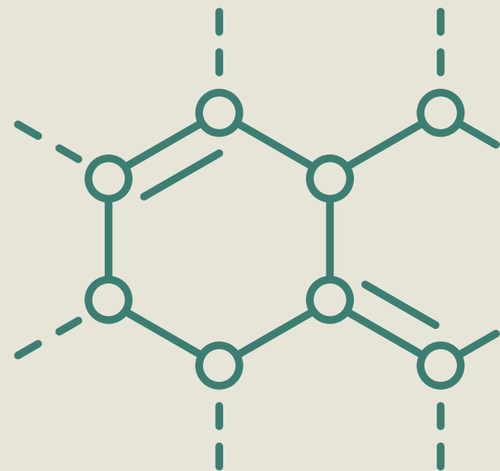

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I congratulate the editorial team of the technical magazine and article contributors for their extraordinary efforts to produce the magazine on time. Thank you for being a part of this journey. I would like to thank our management and directors for their support and encouragement.

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Welcome to the fourth edition of WISSEN 4.0, where we strive to bring you insightful perspectives, cutting-edge developments, and thought-provoking content in the realm of the engineering industry.As we embark on this journey together, we are honored to address you through this editor's message, a space where we connect, reflect, and envision the future of our ever-evolving discipline.

We would like to thank the HoD of ECE Department and college authorities for offering full support in the design and publication of this magazine. Also, we extend our deepest gratitude to the dedicated team of writers, editors, designers, and contributors who have worked tirelessly to bring this edition to life. Your passion and commitment are the driving force behind our success, and we are honored to be part of such a talented and diverse community.

Thank you for being part of our community. Here's to an enriching journey ahead.

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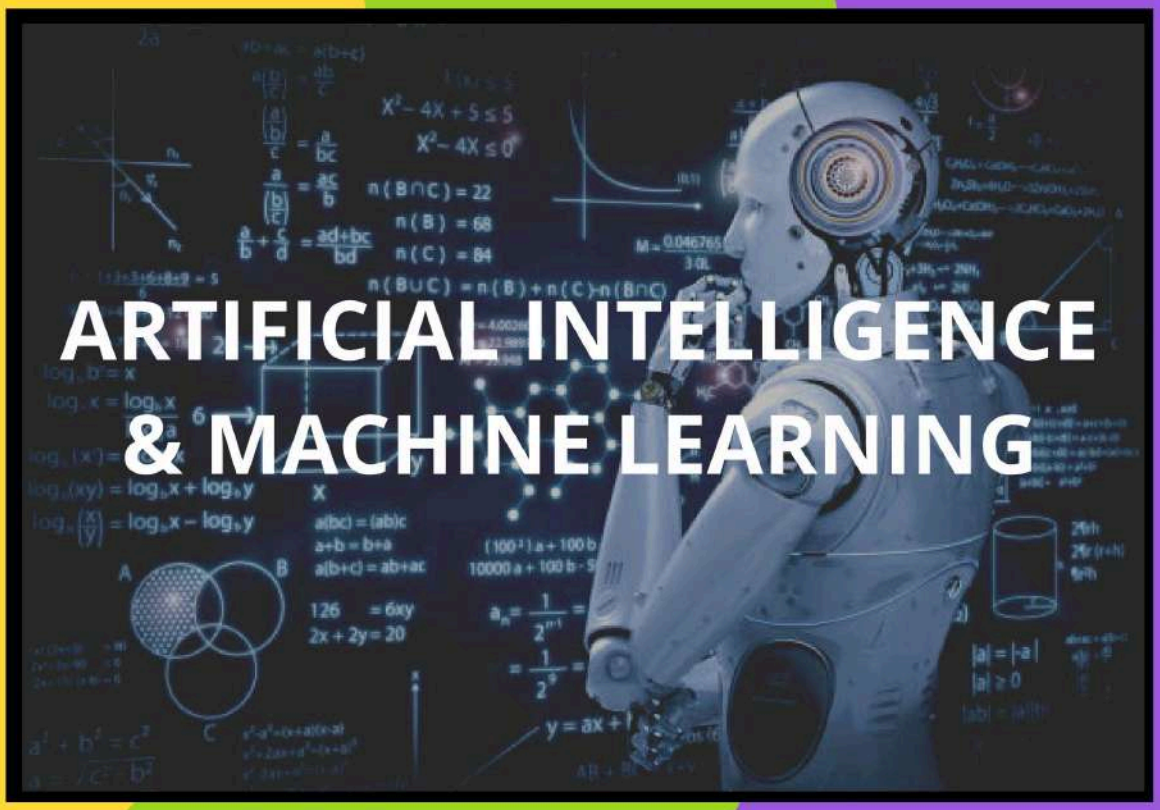

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & MACHINE LEARNING

ENTERTAINMENT CHATBOT FOR THE DIGITAL INCLUSION OF ELDERLY WITHOUT ABSTRACTION CAPABILITIES

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Abstract

While artificial intelligence is still developing for widespread use, conversational chatbots are already present in applications like call centers and online shopping assistants. However, these technologies haven't been widely applied to address the digital gap among elderly individuals. In response to this, the EBER chatbot is introduced in this paper to enhance social inclusion for the elderly. EBER stands out with its "intelligent radio" concept, where it integrates familiar background news with voice interactions, avoiding the need to simplify digital systems for the elderly. This integration is achieved through a combination of Artificial Intelligence Modelling Language, automatic Natural Language Generation, and Sentiment Analysis. The system allows users to access digital content by analyzing words from their answers and keywords from news items. Metrics for user abstraction capabilities are defined based on a spatial representation of the word space. Real experiments with elderly participants yielded positive results, demonstrating the effectiveness of EBER in improving information search capabilities.

Introduction

The rapid advancement of technology in recent years has brought about significant changes in how people access information and entertainment. However, certain demographics, particularly elderly individuals, often encounter barriers to effectively engage with these modern technologies. The article titled "Entertainment Chatbot for Digital Inclusion" aims to address this challenge by introducing EBER, an innovative "intelligent radio" chatbot designed specifically to cater to the entertainment and information needs of elderly users.An EBER chatbot interface is shown in Figure 1.

EBER stands out as a sophisticated system that integrates advanced technologies, including Natural Language Generation (NLG) and Sentiment Analysis (SA), to create a personalized and empathetic interaction experience. Its primary focus lies in engaging elderly users through the delivery of news and interactive dialogues, emphasizing accessibility and user-friendly interaction methods.

The motivation behind developing EBER is highlighted, emphasizing the pressing need for tailored solutions that bridge the digital gap for elderly individuals. Emphasis is placed on the importance of providing engaging and accessible technology to address their specific needs and preferences, particularly in entertainment and information dissemination.

Key technologies underpinning EBER, such as NLG and SA, play pivotal roles in enabling the chatbot to deliver personalized and empathetic interactions. This study underscores the potential impact of EBER in improving the well-being of elderly users by offering tailored and engaging entertainment experiences that meet their unique requirements.

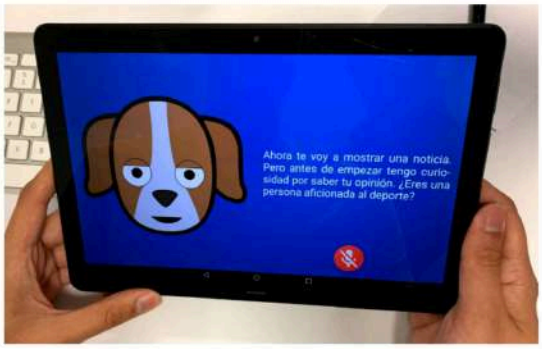

Fig. 1: EBER chatbot interface (Courtesy : MDPI)

Design and working

The design of the "intelligent radio" chatbot involves leveraging NLG and SA technologies as shown in figure 2, to engage elderly users and provide entertainment and information. The chatbot alternates newscasts with light dialogues about news items, adapting the content to the user's mood. It aims to provide flexible responses and has a degree of personality to motivate user engagement.

The working of the chatbot involves the NLG module, which is a key component enabling the creation of complete, coherent, human-like texts from linguistic and non-linguistic information[1]. It uses keywords as input words and applies automatic text generation, question generation, summaries, and text simplification. The SA technology allows the chatbot to infer the polarity of user responses, adapting the dialogue flow to the user's mood.

The system architecture includes a Text Planner, Sentence Planner, and Realiser for content selection, text structuring, and morphological inflections. The chatbot gathers news items from the Spanish National Radio and Television (RTVE) channel using GET queries, ensuring varied and updated news to prevent monotony.

Overall, the design and working of the chatbot focus on providing an engaging and user-friendly experience for elderly individuals, leveraging advanced NLG and SA technologies to deliver entertainment and information tailored to the user's preferences and mood.

Design of AIML module

The AIML (Artificial Intelligence Markup Language) module is a fundamental component of the "intelligent radio" chatbot, designed to facilitate engaging and controlled dialogue flows with users. The design of the AIML module involves the following key features:

- Personality: The chatbot's personality is well-defined, aiming to obtain opinions about news from elderly people through light conversations. The AIML-based knowledge base is created to leverage features such as star, srai, and random, allowing the chatbot to start conversations with controlled dialogue flows using short questions about daily routines and mood.
- Conversation Decisions: The module includes predefined rules for default answers to keep the conversation flowing and prevent frustration. When the chatbot detects that the user cannot understand something, it asks the user to explain, making the conversation feel more natural and involving the user.
- Controlled Dialogue Flow: The AIML module structures the interactions of the system to be precise and short, aligning with the preferences of the target users, especially the elderly, who find short dialogue systems simpler and more engaging.

Overall, the AIML module is designed to provide a controlled and engaging conversational experience, leveraging predefined rules and a well-defined personality to facilitate interactions and gather opinions about news from elderly users through light conversations[3].

Design of NLG module

The NLG module is a key component of the "intelligent radio" chatbot, designed to create complete, coherent, and human-like texts from linguistic and non-linguistic information. The design of the NLG module involves three main stages as shown in figure 2:

- Text Planner: This stage comprises content selection and text structuring tasks. It uses meaningful words for creating an NL sentence in Spanish and infers the best text structure from the information in the grammar. The grammar considers nominal and coordinated nominal, adjectival, adverbial, and prepositional phrases.
- Sentence Planner: This stage deals with lexicalization, which involves adding extra words automatically. It includes the addition of extra elements, morphological inflections, and orthographic rules. The stage also detects affirmative, negative, and interrogative sentences and includes the subject.
- Realiser: The Realiser stage conducts morphological inflections to create a coherent and grammatically correct sentence in Spanish. It takes linguistic knowledge from the aLexiS lexicon to adjust the sentence features such as number, gender, person, and tense.

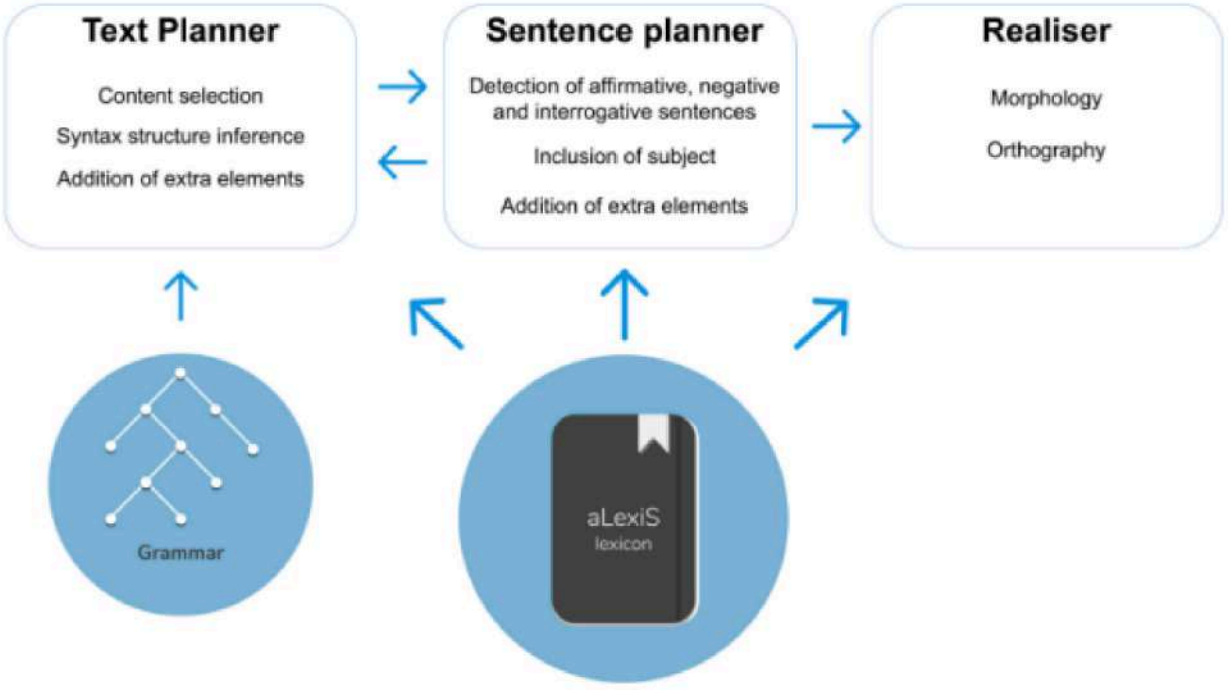

Fig. 2: Three-stage NLG module (Courtesy : MDPI)

The NLG module uses keywords as input words and applies automatic text generation, question generation, summaries, and text simplification. It creates affirmative and negative clauses using keywords and extracts adjective and noun phrases from news content and user utterances. The module ensures that the generated natural language sentences are complete, coherent, and correct.

Overall, the NLG module is designed to support engaging and varied interactions with users, ensuring that the chatbot can provide flexible and natural-sounding responses while delivering news and holding short dialogues.

Design of SA module

The Sentiment Analysis (SA) module is a crucial component of the "intelligent radio" chatbot, designed to infer the polarity of user responses and adapt the dialogue flow to the user's mood. The SA module uses natural language processing (NLP) techniques to preprocess the input text, extract features, and classify the text using a decision tree classifier as shown in figure 3. The SA module employs several techniques, including removing stop words, stemming, tokenizing, and feature extraction using bag-of-words, n-grams, and TF-IDF. The design of the SA module involves the following key elements:

- Polarity Inference: The SA module classifies short texts into three polarity levels: negative, neutral, and positive. It uses machine learning algorithms to analyze user responses and infer the sentiment expressed, allowing the chatbot to understand the user's mood.
- Feature Selection: The module employs attribute selectors to extract the most relevant features from the user's input. It considers character and word n-grams, as well as dictionaries of deniers, positive, and negative words to determine the sentiment expressed in the user's responses.
- Integration with NLG: The SA module integrates with the NLG module to adjust the polarity of the dialogue based on the polarity of user responses. It ensures that the chatbot's responses align with the user's mood, providing coherent and empathetic interactions.
- Facial Expression Adjustment: The SA module enables the chatbot to adjust the facial expression of its avatar based on the user's mood. For example, if the SA module detects a negative emotion in the user's response, the chatbot's avatar may display a sad expression.

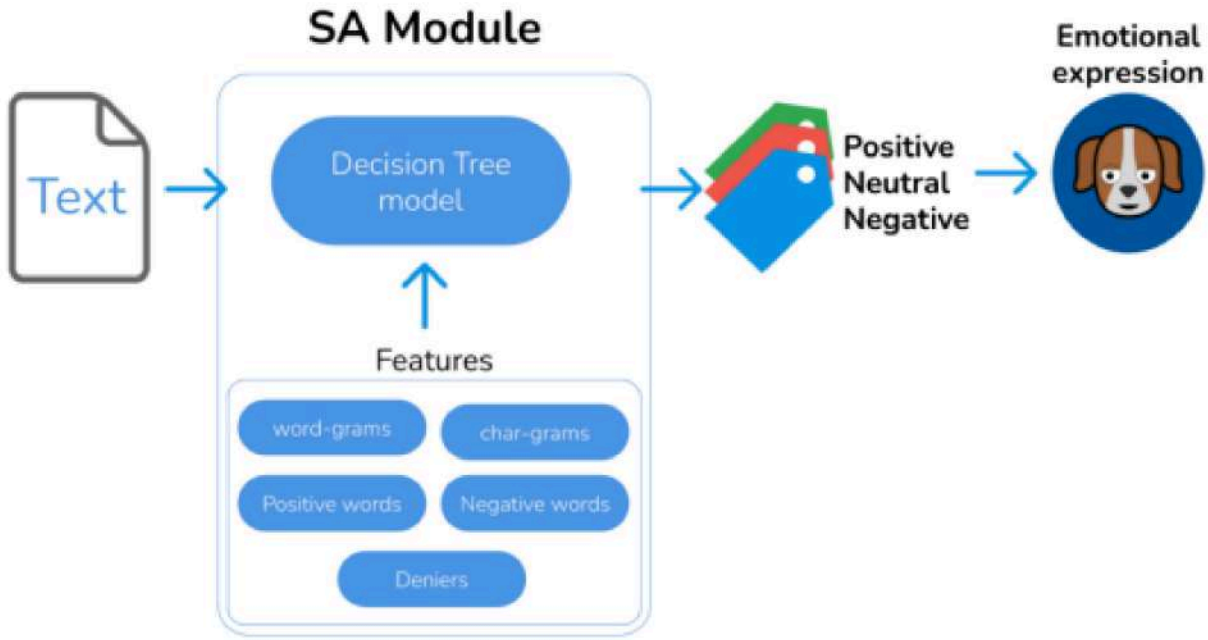

Fig. 3: Decision Tree classifier scheme (Courtesy : MDPI)

Overall, the SA module is designed to provide the chatbot with empathetic capabilities, allowing it to understand and adapt to the user's mood during interactions. It plays a critical role in ensuring that the chatbot's responses are aligned with the sentiment expressed by the user, enhancing the overall user experience.

Future Scope

The EBER intelligent chatbot has a promising future scope with several potential areas of improvement and expansion, including:

- **Enhanced Personalization**: The chatbot can be further developed to provide more personalized experiences for elderly users. This can involve refining the recommendation algorithms to better match user preferences and interests, as well as incorporating user feedback to continuously improve the system's understanding of individual needs.
- **Advanced Natural Language Understanding**: The chatbot can benefit from advancements in natural language understanding (NLU) technologies. By improving its ability to accurately interpret and respond to user inputs, the chatbot can provide more meaningful and contextually relevant interactions.
- **Multilingual Support**: Expanding the chatbot's language capabilities can make it accessible to a wider range of elderly users.
- **Integration with Healthcare Systems**: The chatbot can be integrated with healthcare systems to provide more comprehensive support for elderly individuals. This can include features such as medication reminders, health monitoring, and integration with electronic health records.

Overall, the future scope of the EBER intelligent chatbot lies in further refining its capabilities, expanding its reach, and continuously improving user experience to better serve the elderly population.

Applications

The EBER intelligent chatbot has diverse applications that cater to the specific needs of elderly individuals, aiming to enhance their quality of life and combat social isolation including:

- Providing companionship and mental stimulation for elderly individuals.
- Offering personalized healthcare support and therapeutic interactions.
- Combating social isolation and loneliness among elderly populations.
- Facilitating access to news and information tailored to the interests of elderly users.

Advantages

The EBER intelligent chatbot offers a multitude of advantages tailored to the specific needs of elderly individuals including:

- Enhances social inclusion and combats loneliness among elderly users.
- Provides personalized and empathetic interactions tailored to individual preferences.
- Offers mental stimulation and companionship through engaging conversations.
- Facilitates access to news and information, keeping elderly individuals informed and engaged.
- Supports therapeutic applications and healthcare interactions, contributing to overall well-being.

Disadvantages

The EBER intelligent chatbot, while offering numerous benefits, also presents certain disadvantages that may impact its effectiveness, particularly for elderly users including:

- Potential technical challenges for elderly users with limited technological skills.
- Risk of user discomfort or confusion during interactions, especially for unfocused or stressed individuals.
- Limitations in accurately detecting user speech interruptions, leading to potential frustration.
- Possible reliance on internet connectivity for accessing news and information.
- Challenges in maintaining consistent user engagement, especially for individuals with cognitive decline.

Conclusion

To sum up, the entertainment chatbot designed for elderly people without abstraction capabilities is an innovative solution to promote digital inclusion and enhance the quality of life for elderly people. The chatbot uses AIML, NLG, and Sentiment Analysis to access digital content of interest by combining words extracted from user answers to chatbot questions with keywords extracted from news items. The experiments conducted with real users demonstrate the effectiveness of the chatbot in improving the information search capabilities of the participants. The ethical considerations taken into account during the research and development of the chatbot highlight the importance

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GENERATIVE ARTIFICAL INTELLIGENCE IN CYBERSECURITY

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Abstract

Generative AI is revolutionizing cybersecurity by leveraging machine learning to simulate and counter emerging threats. This abstract explores its applications, focusing on threat detection, anomaly identification, and response strategies. By generating synthetic data sets, generative AI facilitates robust testing of security measures, enhancing their effectiveness. Moreover, intelligent systems powered by generative AI continuously learn from data, enabling proactive threat mitigation in real-time. As cyber threats become increasingly sophisticated, this technology offers a crucial advantage in defending against evolving risks. Generative AI emerges as a cornerstone of modern cybersecurity, promising to reshape defense strategies and fortify digital infrastructures against adversaries.

Introduction

Generative AI, a cutting-edge technology, has emerged as a game-changer in the realm of cybersecurity, offering innovative solutions to combat ever-evolving threats in the digital landscape. By harnessing the power of machine learning and neural networks, generative AI algorithms are revolutionizing cybersecurity practices.

At its core, generative AI utilizes advanced algorithms to mimic and understand patterns within data, enabling it to generate realistic and sophisticated outputs. In the context of cybersecurity, this technology is invaluable for threat detection, anomaly detection, and even threat response.

One of the most promising applications of generative AI in cybersecurity is its ability to generate synthetic data sets for training and testing security systems. This enables organizations to enhance their defenses by simulating various attack scenarios in a controlled environment, thereby improving the efficacy of their security measures.

Moreover, generative AI can be deployed to develop intelligent security systems capable of predicting and preventing cyber threats in real-time. By continuously learning from vast amounts of data, these systems can adapt and evolve to counter emerging threats effectively.

In summary, generative AI stands at the forefront of cybersecurity innovation, offering unprecedented capabilities to safeguard sensitive data and networks against malicious actors. Its potential to transform the cybersecurity landscape is vast, promising a future where digital assets are protected with unparalleled efficiency and accuracy.

The Positive Impact of Generative AI in Cybersecurity

- Generative Realistic Training Dta: Generate AI can be used to generate realistic training data that can be used to train machine learning model to detect and prevent attacks.
- Develop New Security Tools: Generative AI can be used to develop new security tools that can be used to detect and prevent attack . These tools can be used to train machine learning models or to be used by security analysts to identify and investigate potential attacks.
- Proactive Defense: Traditional cyber security often follows a reactive approach, responding to incidents after they occur generative AI empowers organizations to adopt a proactive stance, predicting and mitigating potential threats before they materialize
- Automating Cybersecurity Tasks: Cyber security professional are burdened with numerous routine tasks, diverting their attention from mote critical issue. Generative AI can automate repetitive tasks such as log analysis , threat hunting, and incident response, freeing up human experts to focus on strategic and complex challenges

The benefits of using AI in cybersecurity with its key stages are shown in figure 1.

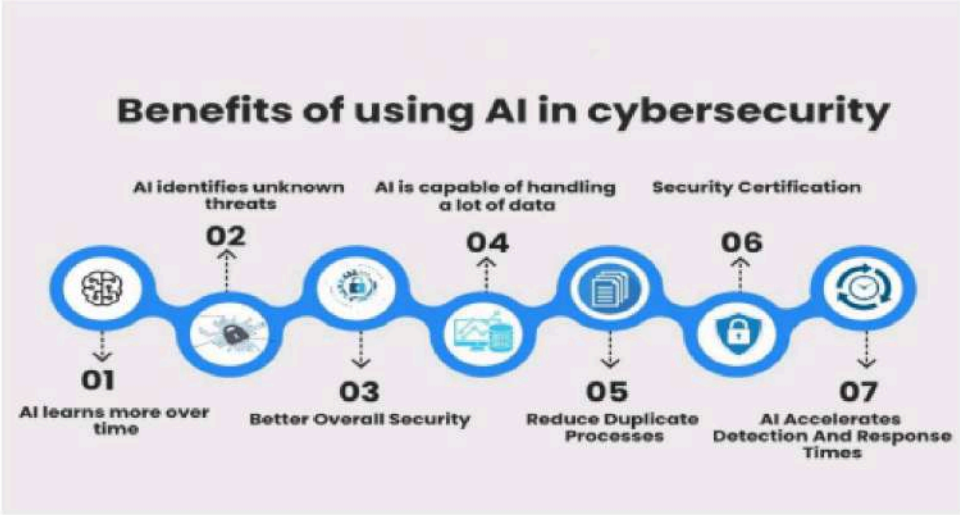

Fig. 1: Key stages of Generative AI In Cyber Security[1]

The Negative Impact of Generative AI in Cybersecurity

- False Positives: AI-powered security systems rely on machine learning algorithms that learn form historical data however, this can lead to false positives when the system encounters new, unknown threats that do not fit into existing patterns.
- Cybersecurity skills gap: AI-powered security systems require skilled professionals who can develop, implement, and manage the technology. However, there is currently, a shortage of professionals with the necessary skills to work with AI in cybersecurity
- Cost: Implement AI-Powered security system can be expensive, especially for smaller organizations with limited budgets. The technology requires specialized hardware, software and skilled professionals to develop and maintain the system

Fig. 2: Explore informative blogs about AI In CyberSecurity[1]

Latest Advances in Generative AI

- GANs and Their Evolution: Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) are the rockstars of the AI world. Picture two AIs having a debate. One generates content, and the other critiques it. Through this back-and-forth, they improve each other. It's like watching two artists collaboratively paint a canvas, each adding their unique touch.
- Art and Media Generation: Ever stumbled upon an artwork or piece of music online and later found out it was made by an AI? That's generative AI in action. It's tapping into the vast realms of data to create something beautiful.
- Scientific Research Simulations: In labs across the world, generative AI is being used to simulate experiments, predict results, and speed up research. Instead of waiting months for results, scientists might just need a coffee break.
- Progress in Deepfake Technologies: While the ethical considerations are vast, there's no denying the prowess of deepfake tech. From recreating historical figures in documentaries to potential applications in cinema, the line between real and artificial is blurring.
- Advanced Personal Assistants: Move over, basic reminders and weather updates! The new age of personal assistants can generate personalized content, like stories for kids or even meditative scripts to help you relax.

Challenges Surrounding AI Cybersecurity Implimentation

As enterprises increasingly embrace AI in their cybersecurity strategies, they also encounter various challenges that must be overcome for successful implementation.

- Quality of Data: AI algorithms rely heavily on large volumes of high-quality data to train and improve their accuracy. However, many enterprises struggle to gather sufficient and relevant data due to factors such as data silos, privacy concerns and regulatory constraints. A multinational organization may find it challenging to aggregate and normalize security logs from various subsidiaries spread across different regions, each using different systems and formats. Without access to comprehensive and diverse data, the models may not achieve optimal results, leading to less effective threat detection and response.

- Adversarial Attacks: Cyber attackers are becoming increasingly sophisticated in their methods, leveraging adversarial attacks to deceive AI systems. Adversarial attacks involve manipulating input data to mislead these algorithms and evade detection. Enterprises must continually invest in research and development to enhance the resilience of their AI models against such attacks. Moreover, AI-powered systems in cybersecurity are prone to generating false positives—mistakenly identifying harmless activities as malicious threats. False positives can lead to alert fatigue and divert valuable resources toward investigating nonexistent threats, potentially causing disruptions in business operations. A financial institution deploying an AI-based fraud detection system may face challenges in fine-tuning the model to reduce false positives without compromising its ability to detect genuine fraudulent activities.
- Ethical and Regulatory Challenges: The implementation of AI in cybersecurity also raises ethical and regulatory concerns. Enterprises must ensure that their systems adhere to legal requirements and ethical standards, such as privacy regulations and fairness in decision-making.

The AI Challenges-Development and Implementation of Generative AI in Cybersecurity is shown in figure 3.

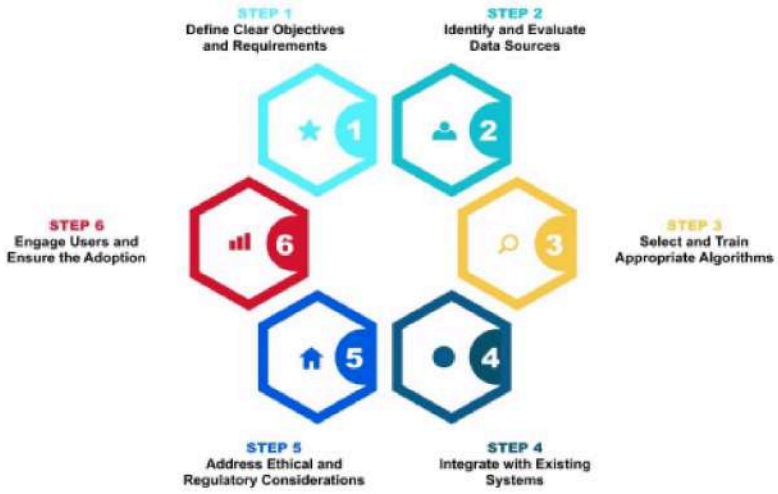

Fig. 3: AI challenges –Development and implementation[1]

Future of Generative AI in Cybersecurity

The future of generative AI in cybersecurity shines brightly, with ongoing advancements expected to yield even more sophisticated and efficient security solutions. As this technology evolves, it promises to revolutionize threat detection, anomaly identification, and response strategies, empowering organizations to stay ahead of increasingly complex cyber threats.

However, amidst its promises, it's vital to acknowledge the dual nature of generative AI. While it empowers defenders, it also poses risks, as malicious actors can exploit its capabilities to craft sophisticated attacks. Organizations must remain vigilant and proactive in understanding these potential risks. They need to invest in robust security measures, including threat intelligence, network monitoring, and employee training, to mitigate the threats posed by malicious use of generative AI.

By fostering a culture of cybersecurity awareness and resilience, organizations can harness the full potential of generative AI while safeguarding against its misuse. Collaboration between industry stakeholders, researchers, and policymakers will be essential in developing ethical guidelines and regulations to ensure the responsible deployment of generative AI in cybersecurity.

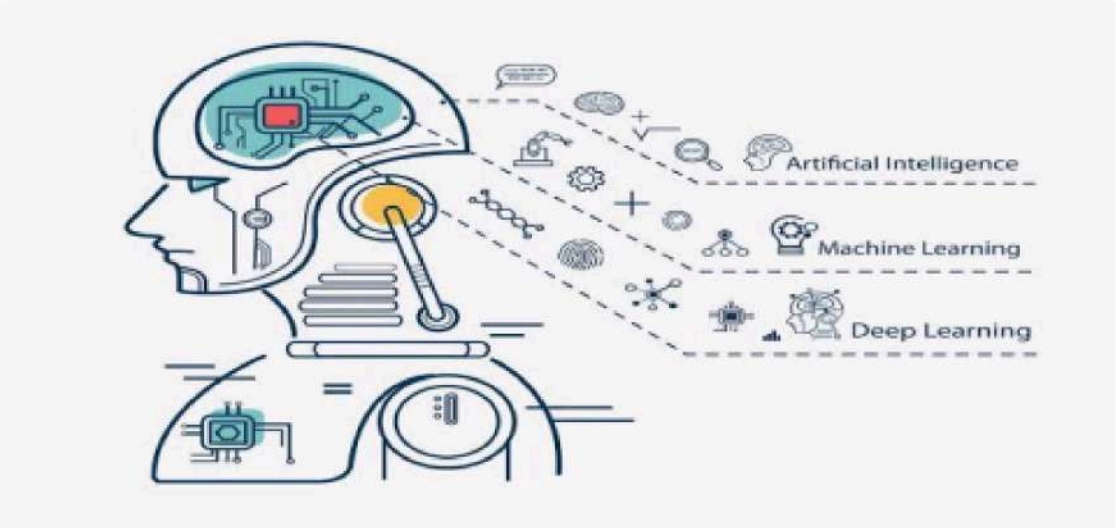

Fig. 4: The future of cyber security[1]

Conclusion

Generative AI stands as a potent force poised to reshape the landscape of cybersecurity. Its ability to mimic and understand patterns within data offers unprecedented potential in threat detection, anomaly identification, and response strategies. However, as with any powerful tool, responsible usage is paramount.

Partnering with a reputable generative AI development company ensures that organizations maximize the benefits of this technology while mitigating associated risks. These companies specialize in harnessing generative AI's capabilities to develop sophisticated security solutions tailored to their clients' needs. By collaborating with such experts, organizations can leverage generative AI to its fullest potential, strengthening their defenses against cyber threats.

Moreover, a trusted generative AI development partner prioritizes ethical considerations, ensuring that the technology is deployed responsibly. They adhere to best practices in data privacy, security, and regulatory compliance, safeguarding sensitive information and maintaining trust with stakeholders.

Ultimately, by choosing a reliable generative AI development company, organizations can confidently embrace this transformative technology, knowing they are equipped to defend against evolving threats while upholding ethical standards. This collaborative approach fosters innovation and resilience in cybersecurity, empowering organizations to navigate the digital landscape with confidence and integrity.

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MEMRISTOR BASED BRAIN-LIKE RECONFIGURABLE NEUROMORPHIC SYSTEMS

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Abstract

Memristor-based brain-like reconfigurable neuromorphic systems leverage memristors' unique properties to emulate synaptic functionalities, offering energy-efficient, compact solutions for various applications. These systems exhibit dynamic behavior akin to biological neural networks, enabling learning, adaptation, and complex information processing. Advancements in materials and interdisciplinary collaborations are driving the development of practical systems, addressing challenges such as device variability and scalability. By integrating memristors into neuromorphic architectures, these systems possess inherent parallelism, fault tolerance, and reconfigurability, facilitating robust and adaptable computing paradigms. Their potential for real-time, low-power processing and context-awareness makes them promising candidates for revolutionizing fields like robotics, healthcare, and autonomous vehicles. Furthermore, memristor-based neuromorphic systems hold promise for advancing brain-inspired computing paradigms, enhancing our understanding of neural dynamics and cognition. Continued research and innovation in this field are crucial for realizing the full potential of memristor-based systems and ushering in a new era of intelligent computing.

Introduction

In the rapidly evolving landscape of computational intelligence, researchers are delving into novel paradigms inspired by the human brain to address the limitations of conventional computing architectures. At the forefront of this pursuit is the development of neuromorphic systems, aiming to emulate the intricate functionalities of biological neural networks. One pioneering project gaining attention is the creation of a memristor-based brain-like reconfigurable neuromorphic system, poised to redefine the future of intelligent computing.

This innovative system draws inspiration from the brain's dynamic adaptability and memory processes, combining elements of back-propagation neural networks (BPNN), long short-term memory (LSTM) networks, and associative memory networks.[1] At its core lies the memristor[Fig. 1], a resistor with memory, providing a tangible solution to the challenge of synthesizing artificial synapses with memory capabilities.

The study is grounded in the quest to overcome the inherent limitations of conventional von Neumann architectures, characterized by a rigid separation between processing units and memory. This demarcation poses significant bottlenecks in terms of data transfer bandwidth, energy consumption, and processing latency.[2] By leveraging memristors as the building blocks for synaptic connections, this project seeks

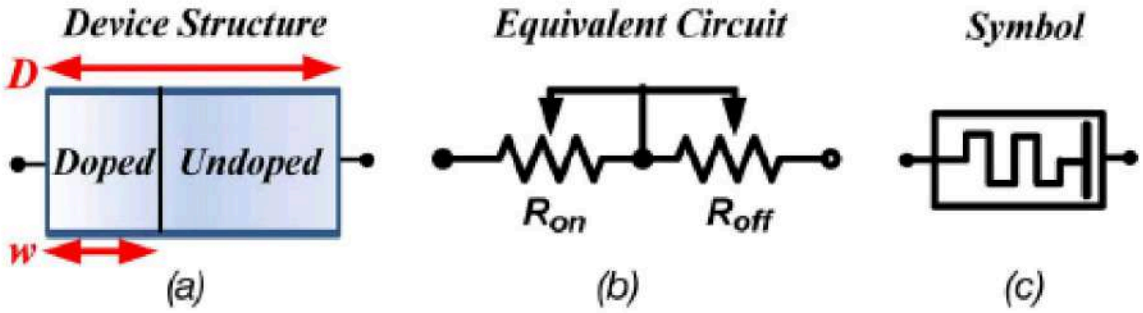

Fig. 1: Memristor Device Structure (Courtesy : ResearchGate)

to revolutionize computing paradigms, allowing for the co-location of memory and processing, mirroring the brain's efficient information processing.

The general applications of this memristor-based neuromorphic system are extensive and transformative. From image and voice correlation for intelligent robotics to iris classification and handwritten character recognition, the system demonstrates prowess in diverse machine learning tasks. Its adaptability to natural language processing, machine translation, and speech recognition through integrated LSTM networks further extends its utility, positioning it as a versatile tool for cutting-edge AI applications.

The need for such advancements in neuromorphic computing is underscored by the insatiable demand for more efficient, scalable, and adaptive computational systems.[2] As traditional computing architectures approach their theoretical limits, the memristor-based brain-like reconfigurable neuromorphic system emerges as a beacon of innovation, offering a glimpse into a future where machines process information with unprecedented efficiency and intelligence. This project exemplifies the interdisciplinary synergy between electronics, neuroscience, and artificial intelligence, heralding a new era in cognitive computing.

Memristors

Memristors, short for memory resistors, function as resistive switches with memory capabilities. Their operation is grounded in the manipulation of resistance based on the history of applied voltage. When a voltage is applied, metal cations migrate, altering the device's resistance. Importantly, the resistance change is retained even after the voltage is removed, akin to a memory element.[3] This unique property facilitates the emulation of synaptic connections in neuromorphic systems, enabling the storage of information within the resistor itself[Fig. 2]. Memristors offer an elegant solution for artificial synapses, introducing memory and learning capabilities critical for brain-inspired computing.

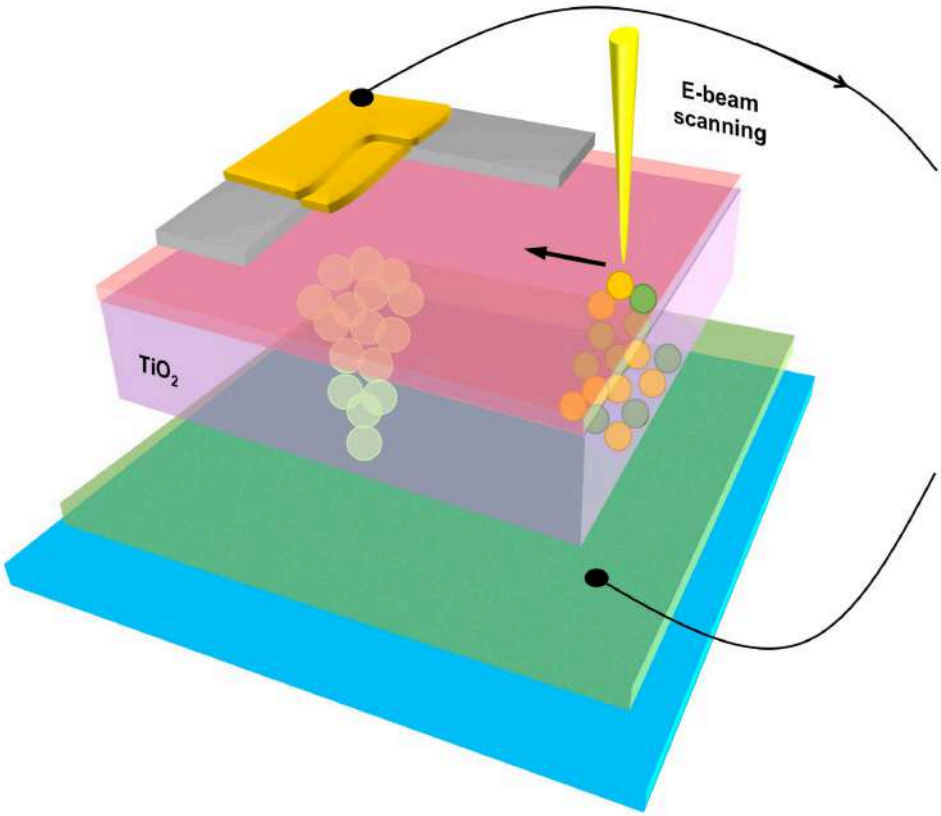

Fig. 2: Electrons impinging on a Memristor (Courtesy : NIST)

Machine Learning Models

Machine learning (ML) models, such as back-propagation neural networks (BPNN) and long short-term memory (LSTM) networks, form the cognitive backbone of the neuromorphic system. BPNN leverages iterative optimization to minimize prediction errors during training, adjusting synaptic weights for accurate output. Meanwhile, LSTM networks excel in capturing dependencies over time, crucial for tasks like natural language processing. These models, inspired by biological neural networks, enable the system to learn, adapt, and make decisions based on input data, mirroring the brain's cognitive processes.[Fig. 3]

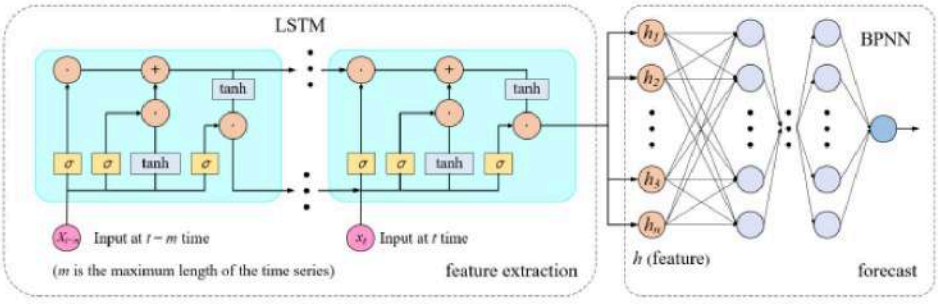

Fig. 3: LSTM-BPNN Structure (Courtesy : MDPI Journals)

System Integration of Models

The integration of ML models within the neuromorphic system is orchestrated to mimic the brain's architecture. Memristors serve as artificial synapses, connecting neurons in a dynamic web of connections. BPNN and LSTM networks[Fig. 3] are strategically embedded, creating a versatile framework for learning and memory. The system's architecture enables real-time processing, with synaptic plasticity and adaptability akin to biological neural networks.[3] This integration fosters an efficient interplay between the models, fostering a cohesive and adaptive computational ecosystem.[Fig. 4]

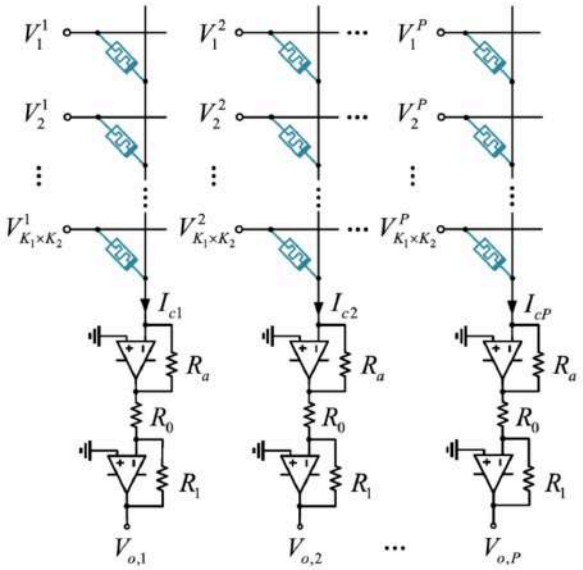

Fig. 4: Memristor crossbar architectures for implementing deep neural networks (Courtesy : Springer)

Development of New System

n crafting this novel system, the development process adheres to the IEEE format, emphasizing precision and rigor. Commencing with a comprehensive review of memristor properties, the system's foundation is laid. Subsequent sections delineate the workings of ML models, elucidating the intricate details of BPNN and LSTM networks.[4] The integration phase underscores the synergy achieved in combining memristors with ML models. Throughout the development, adherence to IEEE standards ensures methodological transparency and clarity. This pioneering system stands testament to the convergence of memristor technology and ML models, heralding a paradigm shift in neuromorphic computing.[5]

Future Prospects

As the frontiers of neuromorphic computing expand, future prospects hold the promise of transformative advancements.[6] Integrating memristors and machine learning models has initiated a paradigm shift, paving the way for unprecedented cognitive computing. The evolving landscape anticipates dynamic applications and broader implications in diverse domains.

Here are some of the potential future prospects for spin waves in next-generation computing:

- **Enhanced Cognitive Capabilities** : The synergy between memristors and advanced ML models anticipates cognitive systems with heightened learning and decision-making capacities.
- **Biomedical Applications** : Neuromorphic systems are poised to revolutionize biomedical fields, facilitating intricate simulations for drug discovery, disease modeling,[7] and personalized medicine.

- **Energy-Efficient AI** : The energy-efficient nature of neuromorphic computing positions it as a front-runner in powering artificial intelligence applications, minimizing environmental impact.
- **Neuromorphic Hardware Acceleration**:The demand for specialized hardware to accelerate neuromorphic computations anticipates dedicated chips, fostering seamless integration and enhanced performance.
- **Adaptive Robotics** : The development of cognitive neuromorphic systems sets the stage for adaptive robots with human-like decision-making capabilities, enhancing their versatility in dynamic environments.
- **Neuro-Inspired Security Systems**: The innate learning and adaptive features of neuromorphic systems[8] hold promise for the development of robust and self-learning cyber security solutions.
- **Human-Machine Interaction** : Neuromorphic computing's evolution will redefine human-machine interaction, fostering intuitive interfaces and personalized user experiences.

Applications

The applications of memristor-based brain-like reconfigurable neuromorphic systems span across various domains, showcasing their versatility and potential impact on technology and society. Some notable applications include:

1) **Intelligent Robotics:** Memristor-based neuromorphic systems enable robots to exhibit human-like learning and decision-making capabilities, enhancing adaptability.
2) **Image and Voice Correlation:** The system's ability to correlate image and voice data finds applications in security systems, facial recognition, and voice-activated technologies.
3) **Pattern Recognition:** In fields such as healthcare and finance, the system's pattern recognition capabilities prove invaluable, aiding in medical diagnostics, fraud detection, and predictive modeling.
4) **Biomedical Simulations:** Neuromorphic systems play a pivotal role in biomedical research, facilitating simulations for drug discovery, disease modeling, and personalized medicine.
5) **Energy-Efficient AI:** The energy-efficient nature of memristor-based neuromorphic systems makes them ideal for powering artificial intelligence applications, reducing energy consumption.
6) **Edge Computing:** The system's real-time processing capabilities contribute to context-aware computing at the edge, enhancing the efficiency of Internet of Things (IoT) devices.
7) **Neural Network Hardware Acceleration:** Dedicated hardware accelerators based on memristors speed up neural network computations, impacting machine learning tasks in data centers and edge devices.
8) **Cybersecurity:** Self-learning and adaptive features find application in cybersecurity, autonomously identifying and responding to evolving cyber threats.
9) **Human-Machine Interaction:** Contribution to more natural and intuitive human-machine interactions, including improved user interfaces, virtual assistants, and immersive technologies.
10) **Neuroscience Research:** Beyond applications, these systems offer insights into neuroscience by emulating brain functionalities, providing a platform for studying cognitive processes.

Conclusion

Memristor-based brain-like reconfigurable neuromorphic systems represent a transformative leap in artificial intelligence and computational capabilities. Their applications span diverse domains, from intelligent robotics to advanced biomedical simulations.[9] The synergy between memristors and machine learning models not only addresses current computing limitations but also propels us into an era of adaptive,

energy-efficient, and context-aware technologies. As these systems continue to evolve, their impact on Cyber Security, human-machine interaction, and our understanding of neuroscience is poised to reshape the technological landscape, opening avenues for innovative solutions and furthering the frontiers of cognitive computing.[10]

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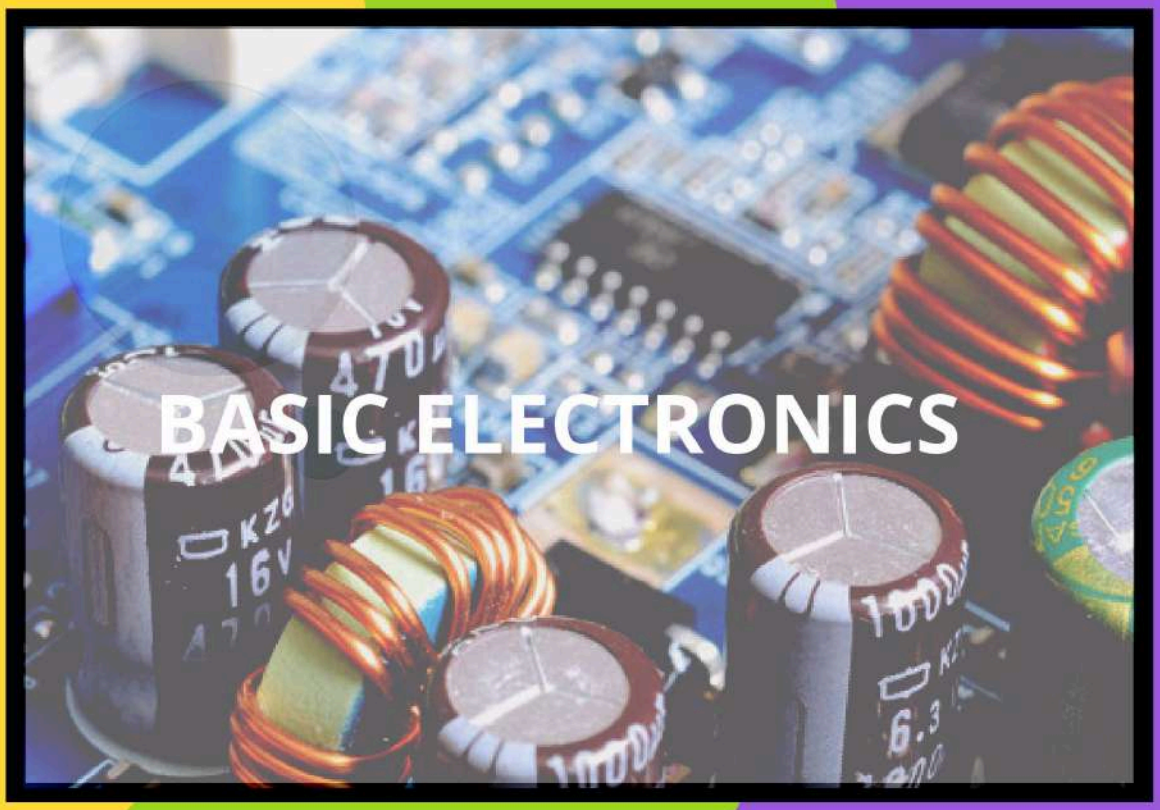
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E-SKIN

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Abstract

The article delves into the revolutionary domain of electronic skin (e-skin) with a focus on its transformative technology and widespread applications. Emulating human skin's sensory capabilities, e-skin showcases versatility in health monitoring, prosthetics, robotics, wearable tech, and more. Noteworthy advancements in materials and design render certain e-skin technologies flexible, stretchable, and self-powered, amplifying their adaptability and practicality. Ongoing materials science research propels enhancements in sensitivity, precision, and overall performance, potentially reshaping human-machine interactions and elevating healthcare standards. The narrative unfolds as a promising exploration into the realm of smart and responsive technologies.

Introduction

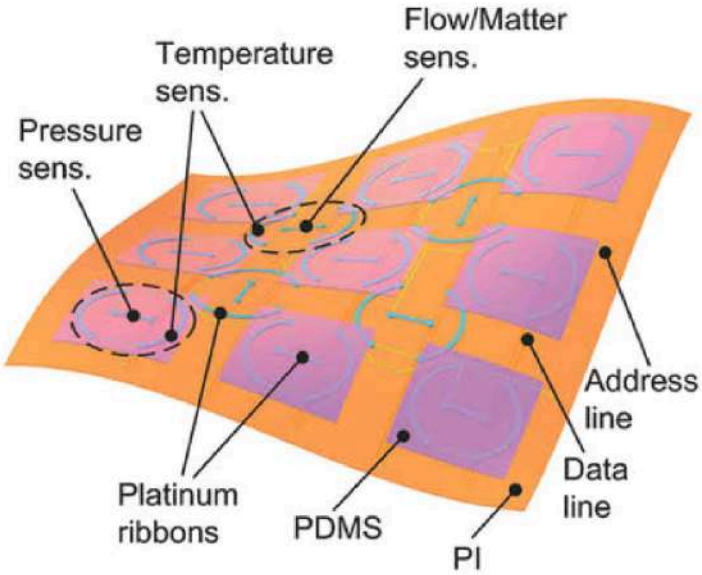

Fig. 1: General e-Skin diagram(Courtesy : Wiley Online Library)

Electronic skins (e-skins) integrate nanostructures for multifunctional sensing, covering pressure, temperature, and tactile perception. They find applications in robotics, AI, prosthetics, and health monitoring.Let's understand the challenges and recent advancements in developing these versatile e-skin technologies.

Figure 1 in [1], shows general view of e-Skin. Electronic skin (e-skin) delves into its crucial role in emulating the sensory capabilities of human skin. This emerging technology encompasses tactile sensors and artificial skins crafted to replicate the intricate functions of natural skin. The historical trajectory traces

the evolution of tactile sensors from the 1970s-80s, highlighting a recent surge in applications spanning robotics, artificial intelligence, prosthetics, and health monitoring. E-skin strives to mimic the distinctive features of human skin, such as flexibility, stretchability, and self-healing, leveraging advanced materials and technologies. Its potential applications range from providing actionable information to estimating control parameters based on object properties.E-skins can be used to provide information about the softness/hardness and texture of objects, and that they can be applied to robots to detect and localize the pressure exerted by surrounding objects. Additionally, e-skins can be used to develop smart human-machine interfaces and wearable human-health monitors.

Block diagram of e-Skin

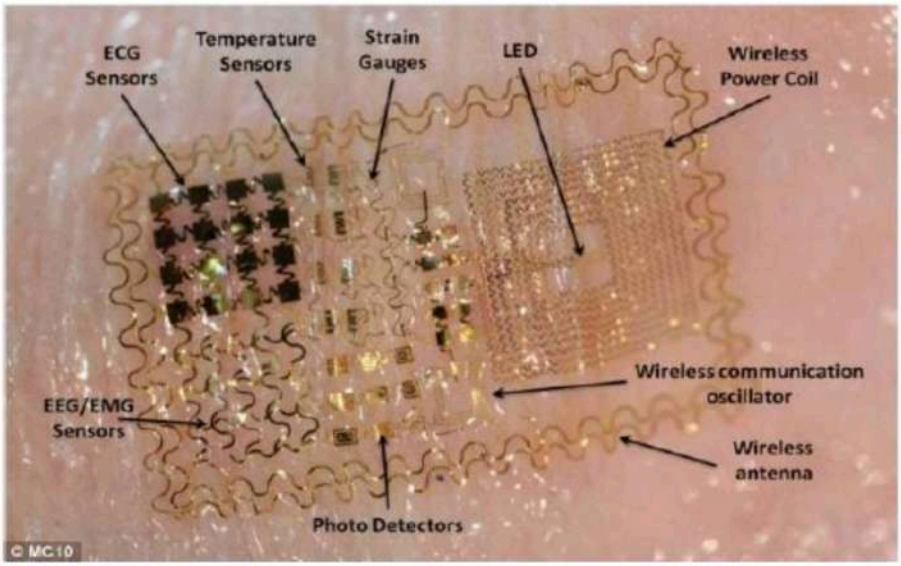

Fig. 2: The general architecture of e-Skin.(Courtesy : University of Houston.)

Figure 2. shows Electronic skin (e-skin) incorporates a range of sensors designed to replicate the sensory capabilities of human skin. Pressure sensors detect external forces, enabling the e-skin to sense touch and variations in pressure. Temperature sensors measure environmental temperature changes, providing insights into the surrounding conditions. Tactile sensors capture information about surface textures, allowing the e-skin to perceive the characteristics of objects it interacts with. The architecture of e-skin involves integrating these sensors into a flexible and stretchable substrate typically composed of advanced materials like polymers or nanocomposites. This substrate mimics the mechanical properties of human skin, allowing the e-skin to bend and stretch. The strategic placement of sensors across the surface facilitates comprehensive sensory coverage. The signals from these sensors are then processed by an electronic system connected to the e-skin, which interprets the data and translates it into actionable information. This architecture aims to emulate the unique features of human skin, providing a responsive and adaptable interface for applications in robotics, artificial intelligence, prosthetics, and health monitoring technologies. The overall design emphasizes flexibility, stretchability, and the ability to mimic natural skin's sensing functions.

e-Skin based on Capacitive Mechanism

Capacitive e-skins, which leverage capacitive sensing principles to detect and measure various stimuli, converting tactile information into electrical signals. Traditional capacitive sensors operate on the basis

that applied pressure or shear forces lead to changes in capacitance due to variations in distance or area between two plates.After detailed study there is development of highly-sensitive capacitive pressure sensors and super-stretchable capacitive strain sensors using advanced nanomaterials. For instance, a novel multifunctional capacitive strain sensor utilizing carbon nanotubes demonstrated outstanding durability, detecting strains from below 1% up to 300%. Additionally, the fabrication of a textile-based pressure sensor using conductive fibers coated with dielectric rubber materials exhibited high sensitivity and fast response/recovery behavior. These capacitive e-skins stand out for their sensitivity, rapid response/recovery, long-term stability, and mechanical robustness, making them promising for applications in robotics, prosthetics, and health monitoring technologies. Capacitive e-skins represent a significant stride in multifunctional sensing platforms. Integrating capacitive sensing principles with advanced nanomaterials and fabrication techniques has yielded e-skins with remarkable sensitivity, stretchability, and robustness. These advancements bring these e-skins closer to emulating human sensation, offering diverse applications in fields like robotics, prosthetics, and health monitoring.

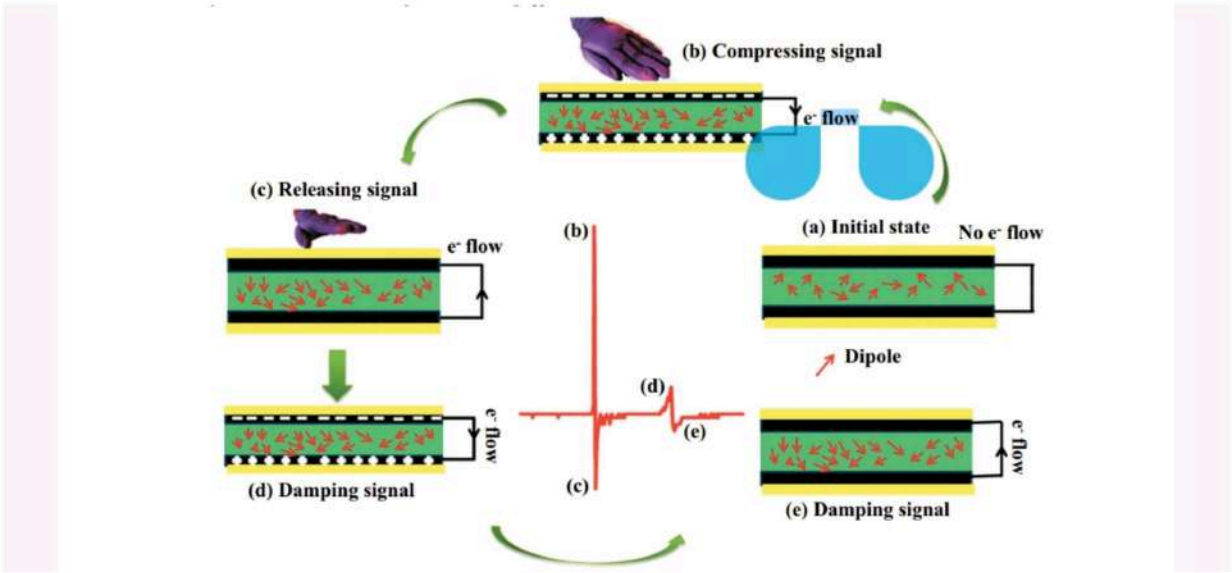

Fig. 3: Block diagram of Capacitive mechanism.(Courtesy :American Chemical Society.)

Figure 3 in [2],illustrates the operation of a NiO@ SiO2/PVDF film under varying compressive forces. Initially, the electric dipoles in the film have a random orientation (a). When a compressive force is applied, a piezoelectric potential is generated, leading to electron flow (b). Upon releasing the compressive force, accumulated electrons flow back, resulting in a reverse piezoelectric signal (c). Subsequently, a weak forward piezoelectric potential is generated, accompanied by electron flow due to a damping effect (d). After recovering from the damping effect, the generator returns to its original state (e). This process demonstrates the dynamic response of the material to mechanical forces, showcasing its piezoelectric properties and ability to generate and reverse potential under different conditions.

e-Skin based on Triboelectric mechanism

Triboelectric mechanism demonstrate the potential for self-powered sensors by converting external mechanical signals into electricity through the triboelectric effect and electrostatic induction. This principle involves charge transfer at the interface of thin materials with opposite tribo-polarity, generating potential as a sensor signal. A 2D e-skin utilizing the triboelectric mechanism was created with a polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) film and carbon fiber electrodes, offering flexibility for attachment to curved surfaces. The e-skin, when touched, induced charges leading to a self-powered pressure sensing system with rapid response

and high sensitivity. Another e-skin employed nano/microtexture-enhanced triboelectric nano-generators, ensuring stable voltage signals and functionality in various environments. Additionally, a fingertip-inspired e-skin utilized a triboelectric sliding sensing mechanism, mimicking human skin layers and capable of sensing both sliding motion and pressure. Integration with piezoresistive sensors enhances sensitivity, providing additional functions like roughness detection and holding/releasing, broadening the applications of these self-powered e-skins in various sensing scenarios.

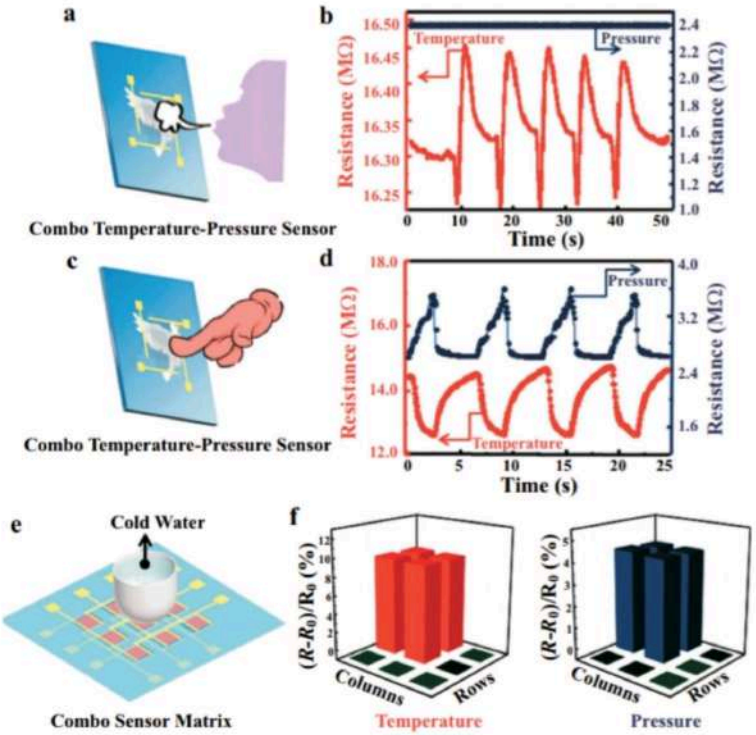

Fig. 4: Block diagram of triboelectric mechanism(Courtesy:American Chemical Society.)

Figure 4 in [2], shows combo e-skin sensor with simultaneous temperature and pressure sensing capabilities. Under an exhaling stimulus, the sensor exhibits a temperature-dependent response without registering a pressure signal (a, b). However, under finger pressing, the combo sensor displays both temperature and pressure responses (c, d). The schematic illustration of the combo sensor matrix includes a cup of ice water placed onto it (e). The distribution of relative resistance change for the temperature (f) and pressure (g) sensor arrays is showcased during the loading of a cup of ice water. This combo e-skin sensor demonstrates its versatility by providing simultaneous information on temperature and pressure, offering potential applications in various scenarios where dual sensing capabilities are essential.

e-Skin based on Piezoelectric mechanism

Piezoelectric mechanism explores electronic skins (e-skins) founded on the principle of piezoelectricity, where materials generate electrical signals in response to mechanical stimuli like pressure and strain. These e-skins leverage the unique property of piezoelectric materials to generate electric charge when subjected to mechanical stress, eliminating the need for an external power source and making them self-powered. Key materials, such as lead zirconate titanate (PZT), with high piezoelectric coefficients, are highlighted for developing pressure and strain sensors with high sensitivity and rapid response. The incorporation of electrospun nanofibers, such as fish gelatin and poly (L-lactic acid), in wearable e-skins further enhances

mechanosensitivity and mechanical strength, allowing for monitoring physiological signals and dynamic tactile stimuli.

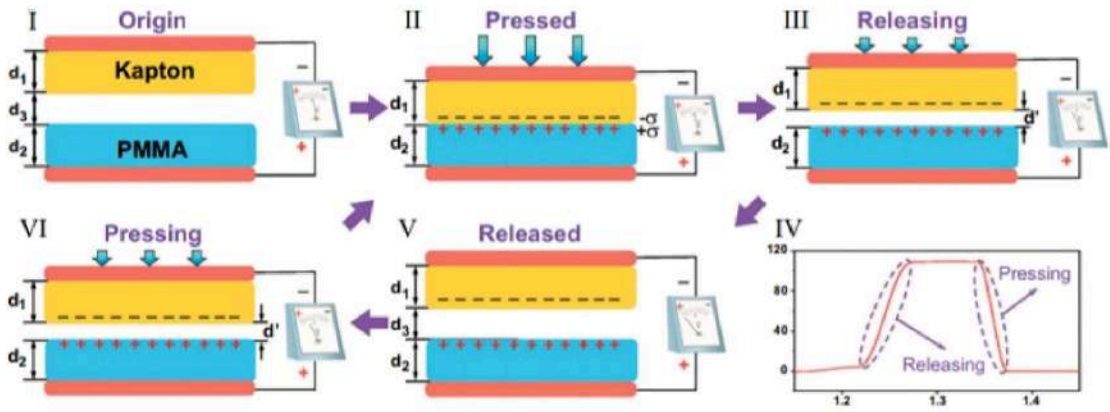

Fig. 5: Block diagram of Piezoelectric mechanism (Courtesy :American Chemical Society.)

Figure 5 in [2], shows the operating principle of a triboelectric nanogenerator.

Advantages of e-Skin

- Sensory Mimicry.
- Flexibility and Stretchability.
- Self powered functionality.
- Real time monitoring.
- Wearable technology.
- Biocompatibility.
- High Sensitivity and Precision.
- Innovations in Materials.
- Minimise interference and interconnection delays.

Disadvantages of e-Skin

- Complex Fabrication Processes.
- Limited lifespan.
- Integration Challenges.
- Sensitivity to environment conditions.
- High Power consumption.
- High cost of production .

Applications of e-Skin

e-Skin in the market are manufactured by DIALOG DEVICES LIMITED(PBB DEVICES LTD), IMAGERYWORKS PTY LTD, XENOMA, INC., VIVALNK, INC., INTELESENSE LTD, XENSIO,

SMART LIFEINC LIMITED, PLASTIC ELECTRONIC GMBH, ROTEX INC., MC10, INC. The most common application of e-Skin are:

- Wearable Health Monitoring Devices.
- Prosthetics Integration.
- Gesture-Controlled Interfaces.
- Aerospace Structural Health Monitoring.
- Sports Performance Tracking.

Conclusion

To sum up,Electronic skin (e-skin) represents a transformative technology with diverse applications across various fields. Its ability to mimic human skin's sensing capabilities, coupled with advancements in materials and design, opens new possibilities in health monitoring, prosthetics, robotics, wearable technology, and more. The flexibility, stretchability, and self-powered features of certain e-skin technologies contribute to their adaptability and practicality. Ongoing research and innovation in materials science continue to drive improvements in sensitivity, precision, and overall performance. As e-skin evolves, it holds the potential to redefine human-machine interactions, enhance healthcare, and contribute to advancements in fields ranging from aerospace to sports science. The journey of electronic skin unfolds as a promising frontier in the realm of smart and responsive technologies.

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NEW TYPE OF BATTERY

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Abstract

Lithium-air batteries epitomize a new energy storage paradigm, utilizing lithium-oxygen reactions for power generation while drawing oxygen from the environment. This departure from internal reactions enables unprecedented energy density, promising revolutionary advancements in energy storage. By tapping into atmospheric oxygen, these batteries offer compact and lightweight solutions for diverse applications, from portable electronics to grid-scale storage. Their compatibility with renewable energy sources like wind and solar addresses critical challenges in grid stability and energy autonomy. However, technical hurdles, including limited cycle life and electrolyte stability, remain, necessitating ongoing research to fully unlock their potential and realize a sustainable energy future.

Introduction

Lithium-air batteries are at the forefront of a new era in energy storage technology, leveraging the reaction between lithium and oxygen to generate electricity. Unlike conventional batteries that rely on internal chemical reactions for power generation, lithium-air batteries fig 1 utilize oxygen drawn directly from the surrounding environment. This distinctive feature sets them apart and positions them as a game-changer in the realm of energy storage. By tapping into atmospheric oxygen as a key reactant, lithium-air batteries boast the potential to significantly enhance their energy density, surpassing the capabilities of traditional battery technologies.

The utilization of oxygen from the air represents a fundamental shift in battery design and functionality. This departure from conventional closed systems allows lithium-air batteries to effectively harness abundant atmospheric resources, minimizing the need for additional bulky components within the battery itself. As a result, lithium-air batteries can achieve remarkable energy density levels, enabling them to store more energy within a given volume or weight compared to traditional battery technologies. This heightened energy density opens up a myriad of possibilities for applications requiring lightweight and compact energy storage solutions, ranging from portable electronics to electric vehicles and grid-scale energy storage systems.

The potential of lithium-air batteries to revolutionize energy storage lies not only in their enhanced energy density but also in their ability to leverage renewable resources more effectively. By utilizing oxygen from the atmosphere, these batteries can play a vital role in enabling the widespread adoption of renewable energy sources such as wind and solar power. Their compatibility with intermittent renewable energy generation can help address one of the key challenges facing the transition to a sustainable energy future: energy storage and grid stability. Lithium-air batteries offer a promising pathway towards achieving greater energy autonomy and reducing reliance on fossil fuels, thereby contributing to mitigating climate change and advancing global sustainability efforts.Charging and discharging of Li-air battery is shown in fig 2.

However, despite their immense potential, lithium-air batteries are still in the early stages of development, facing significant technical challenges that must be addressed to realize their full capabilities. Issues

such as limited cycle life, electrolyte instability, and concerns related to the formation of undesirable by-products during operation represent hurdles that researchers are actively working to overcome. Continued advancements in materials science, electrochemistry, and battery engineering are essential to unlock the full potential of lithium-air batteries and usher in a new era of cleaner, more sustainable energy storage solutions.

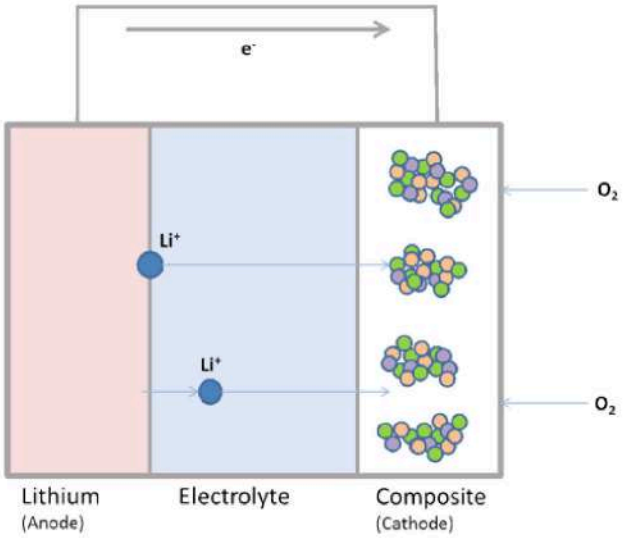

Fig. 1: Schematic Li-air Battery

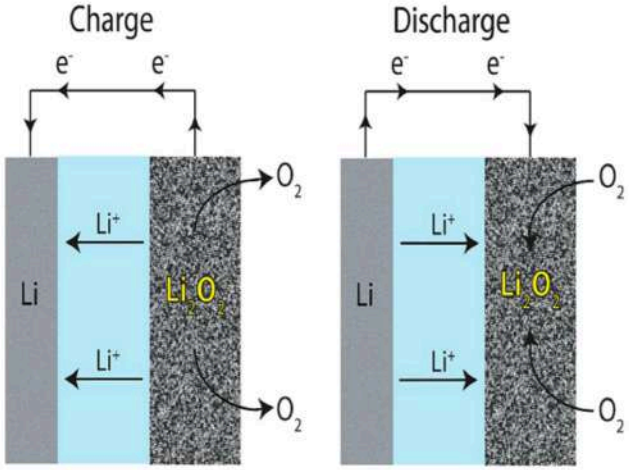

Fig. 2: charging and discharging

1) **Lithium Anode**: Composed of lithium, a lightweight and highly reactive metal, the anode plays a crucial role in the discharge process as lithium ions move to the cathode through the electrolyte.
2) **Electrolyte**: This key component facilitates the movement of ions between the anode and cathode, enhancing the battery's overall performance.
3) **Oxygen Cathode**: Unlike traditional batteries, the lithium-air battery relies on oxygen from the air to react with lithium ions at the cathode. This reaction forms lithium oxide, releasing electrical energy.

4) **Separator**: Separators prevent direct contact between the anode and cathode, preventing short circuits while enabling the efficient transport of ions.

Advantages

1) Enhanced Range for Electric Vehicles: The high energy density of lithium-air batteries can significantly extend the range of electric vehicles, addressing one of the primary limitations of current battery technologies and accelerating the adoption of electric transportation.
2) Versatility in Applications: Lithium-air batteries offer versatility in various applications beyond consumer electronics and electric vehicles. They can be deployed in grid-scale energy storage systems, backup power supplies for renewable energy installations, and even aerospace applications, where lightweight and high energy density are paramount.
3) Potential for Lower Cost: As research and development progress, advancements in manufacturing processes and materials could potentially lead to lower production costs for lithium-air batteries, making them more economically viable for widespread adoption.
4) Rapid Charging Capabilities: With advancements in electrode design and electrolyte composition, lithium-air batteries hold the potential for rapid charging capabilities, reducing downtime and improving overall efficiency in energy storage and utilization.
5) Long-Term Stability: While current challenges exist in terms of cycle life and electrolyte stability, ongoing research efforts aim to enhance the long-term stability of lithium-air batteries, ensuring reliable performance over extended periods, further increasing their attractiveness for various applications.

Disadvantages

1) Electrolyte Instability: The electrolytes used in lithium-air batteries are prone to decomposition and instability, leading to reduced performance and potential safety risks.
2) Sensitivity to Moisture and Contaminants: Lithium-air batteries are highly sensitive to moisture and contaminants in the air, which can degrade performance and shorten lifespan.
3) Limited Power Output: While lithium-air batteries offer high energy density, their power output is often limited, making them less suitable for high-demand applications such as fast-charging electric vehicles or grid stabilization.
4) Challenges in Scalability: Scaling up lithium-air battery technology to meet the demands of grid-scale energy storage or mass adoption in electric vehicles presents significant engineering and logistical challenges.
5) Slow Rate of Development: Despite promising research, the development of commercially viable lithium-air batteries has been slower than anticipated, hindering their widespread adoption and deployment.
6) Dependency on Precious Metals: Some variants of lithium-air batteries require the use of precious metal catalysts, such as platinum, which can increase costs and pose sustainability challenges due to limited availability and environmental concerns.

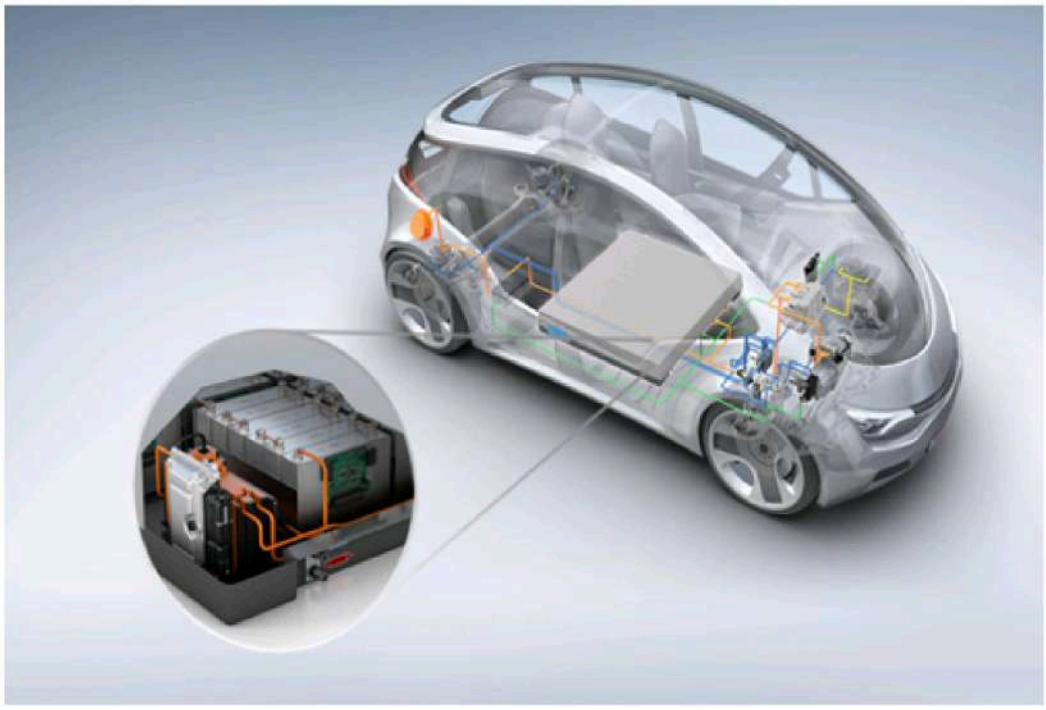

Fig. 3: Battery Placement In Electric Vehicle

Applications

1) Portable Electronics: Lithium-air batteries could significantly enhance the performance and longevity of portable electronic devices such as smartphones, laptops, and wearable technology, providing longer battery life and reducing the need for frequent recharging.
2) Aerospace and Aviation: The lightweight and high energy density characteristics of lithium-air batteries make them particularly suitable for aerospace and aviation applications, including unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), satellites, and space exploration missions, where every gram of weight and energy efficiency are critical.
3) Off-Grid and Remote Areas: Lithium-air batteries offer a promising solution for providing reliable and sustainable power in off-grid and remote areas where access to traditional energy infrastructure is limited or non-existent, supporting community electrification efforts, emergency response, and disaster relief operations.
4) Marine and Maritime Applications: The maritime industry can benefit from lithium-air batteries for various applications, including powering electric boats and ships, offshore renewable energy platforms, and underwater exploration vehicles, contributing to reduced emissions and environmental impact in marine environments.
5) Military and Defense: Lithium-air batteries hold potential applications in military and defense sectors for powering portable electronics, unmanned ground vehicles (UGVs), reconnaissance drones, and other mission-critical equipment, offering lightweight and long-lasting power solutions for deployed personnel and operations.
6) Microgrids and Energy Resilience: Incorporating lithium-air batteries into microgrid systems can enhance energy resilience and reliability, enabling efficient energy storage, load balancing, and integration of renewable energy sources within localized energy networks.

Conclusion

The lithium-air battery represents a beacon of hope in our pursuit of sustainable energy solutions. Despite persistent challenges, its potential advantages, including high energy density and environmental friendliness, position it as a compelling candidate for the future of energy storage. As researchers work diligently to refine and surmount existing limitations, the lithium-air battery has the potential to play a pivotal role in shaping a cleaner and more sustainable energy landscape. With ongoing advancements, this innovative technology could revolutionize the way we store and utilize energy, offering a promising pathway towards a brighter, greener future for generations to come.

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COMMUNICATION

MONITORING RESPIRATORY MOTION WITH WI-FI CSI AND THE BREATHESMART ALGORITHM

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Abstract

Respiration movement plays a vital role in medical diagnosis and can be effectively tracked using respiratory monitoring schemes that utilize Wi-Fi technology. These schemes, employing readily available commercial devices, enable non-contact, cost-effective, and scalable monitoring without the need for specialized hardware. Nevertheless, a thorough evaluation of this technology is currently lacking. This investigation presents a demonstration of the viability of monitoring and extracting human respiratory motion from Wi-Fi channel state information (CSI) data. The proposed processing algorithm utilizes a deep-learning-based approach to acquire a comprehensive understanding of the higher-level concepts of chest movements induced by breathing and to uncover their distinctive characteristics. Gaining a comprehensive understanding of the practical limits and potential factors that could lead to failure in Wi-Fi CSI-based respiratory monitoring is vital for successful implementation. Furthermore, this study also presents ideas for the future expansion of this technology.

Introduction

In the landscape of healthcare, the evolution of monitoring technologies has continually reshaped the standards of patient care. Previous methodologies for respiratory monitoring have grappled with cumbersome equipment and invasive procedures, constraining their integration into routine clinical practices[1].However, the emergence of Wi-Fi Channel State Information (CSI) has catalysed a paradigm shift, offering a non-intrusive and convenient approach to track respiratory motion. Wi-Fi CSI leverages the pervasive nature of wireless communication networks, capturing subtle variations in the surrounding environment, including respiratory patterns, without necessitating additional sensors or specialized devices[2]. This breakthrough not only signifies a technological innovation but also heralds a reimagining of patient data acquisition in clinical settings. With the integration of Wi-Fi CSI into healthcare monitoring, practitioners gain access to real-time insights into patient health, enabling proactive interventions and personalized care pathways[3].

Mosleh et al.'s [1] pioneering research explores the feasibility and effectiveness of employing Wi-Fi CSI for respiratory motion monitoring, unveiling its transformative potential in redefining healthcare monitoring practices. The implications of Wi-Fi CSI transcend technical innovation, promising enhanced efficiency, accuracy, and personalized healthcare delivery. Experimental validation stands as a critical pillar in evaluating the performance and viability of Wi-Fi CSI-based respiratory monitoring systems. Through empirical studies and real-world evaluations, researchers assess the system's sensitivity, specificity, accuracy, and robustness across diverse environmental conditions and patient populations. By comparing Wi-Fi CSI-based measurements against established physiological monitoring devices or clinical assessments,

researchers quantify system performance and validate its clinical utility. As healthcare providers embrace remote monitoring and telemedicine solutions, the importance of experimental validation in ensuring the reliability and accuracy of Wi-Fi CSI-based monitoring systems becomes increasingly pronounced. In essence, the integration of Wi-Fi CSI into healthcare monitoring heralds a new era of personalized, data-driven healthcare delivery, fuelled by innovation and informed by rigorous scientific inquiry[1].

Wi-Fi CSI for Healthcare Monitoring

Wi-Fi Channel State Information (CSI) holds promising potential for healthcare monitoring, offering a non-intrusive and convenient means of capturing physiological signals. The integration of Wi-Fi CSI into healthcare monitoring systems signifies a paradigm shift, leveraging ubiquitous wireless communication networks to extract valuable insights into patient health and well-being [1]. Wi-Fi CSI enables the monitoring of physiological parameters such as respiratory motion, heart rate variability, and gait dynamics without the need for additional sensors or physical contact with the patient, enhancing patient comfort and compliance[4].

By analysing subtle variations in Wi-Fi signals caused by human activities(Fig. 1), Wi-Fi CSI-based monitoring systems can provide real-time feedback on patients' physiological status, facilitating early detection of abnormalities and timely interventions. Moreover, Wi-Fi CSI's scalability, cost-effectiveness, and ease of deployment make it an attractive technology for healthcare monitoring applications in diverse settings, including hospitals, clinics, and home environments[5]. However, the adoption of Wi-Fi CSI for

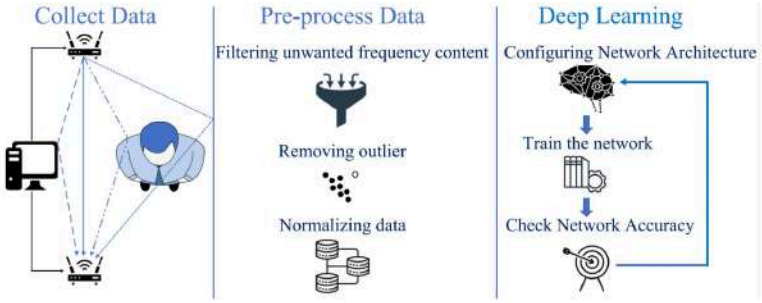

Fig. 1: System architecture [1]

healthcare monitoring is not without challenges. Privacy and security concerns regarding the collection, transmission, and storage of sensitive patient data pose significant hurdles. Ensuring compliance with data protection regulations and implementing robust encryption and access control mechanisms are imperative to safeguard patient privacy and prevent unauthorized access to healthcare data.

Moreover, the reliability and accuracy of Wi-Fi CSI-based monitoring systems may be affected by environmental factors such as signal interference and multipath propagation, necessitating careful calibration and validation procedures. Despite these challenges, the integration of Wi-Fi CSI into healthcare monitoring holds tremendous promise for revolutionizing patient care delivery, offering a scalable and cost-effective solution for real-time physiological monitoring in diverse healthcare settings.

The BreatheSmart Algorithm

The BreatheSmart Algorithm epitomizes a sophisticated fusion of signal processing and machine learning methodologies, specifically tailored to analyse Wi-Fi Channel State Information (CSI) data for respiratory motion monitoring. Developed within the context of Wi-Fi CSI-based respiratory monitoring systems, this algorithm employs a series of computational techniques to extract pertinent features indicative of

respiratory dynamics. The algorithm sifts through Wi-Fi CSI data to extract pertinent features indicative of breathing dynamics, including frequency, amplitude, and temporal variations. Its adaptability across diverse datasets and patient populations underscores its versatility, enabling iterative refinement and learning from annotated training data.

At its core, the algorithm leverages signal processing methods to preprocess raw Wi-Fi CSI data, removing noise and enhancing signal quality. This preprocessing stage often involves techniques such as filtering, noise reduction, and signal normalization to prepare the data for subsequent analysis. Mathematically, these preprocessing steps can be represented by equations such as:

$$x_{filtered}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{N} a_i \cdot x(t-i)$$

Where, $s(t)$ represents the raw Wi-Fi CSI signal at time t, $x_{filtered}(t)$ represents the filtered signal, and a_i represents the filter coefficients.

Following preprocessing, the algorithm employs machine learning models, such as deep neural networks or support vector machines, to extract meaningful features from the Wi-Fi CSI data. These features may include spectral characteristics, temporal dynamics, and spatial patterns associated with respiratory motion. Mathematically, the feature extraction process can be represented as:

$$Features = f(Wi\text{-}Fi\ CSI\ data)$$

Where, $f(\cdot)$ represents the feature extraction function.

Once the relevant features are extracted, the algorithm employs pattern recognition and classification techniques to identify and characterize respiratory events. This involves training the algorithm on labeled datasets, where respiratory patterns are annotated and correlated with corresponding Wi-Fi CSI data. Mathematically, the classification process can be represented by:

$$\hat{y} = \text{classify}(Features)$$

Where, $\hat{y}$ represents the predicted respiratory event.

In essence, the BreatheSmart Algorithm encapsulates the synergy between signal processing and machine learning, offering a robust and adaptive framework for respiratory motion monitoring using Wi-Fi CSI data. Through its mathematical underpinnings and computational prowess, the algorithm exemplifies the potential of Wi-Fi CSI-based monitoring systems in revolutionizing healthcare monitoring practices.

Architecture of BreatheSmart Algorithm

The architecture of the Wi-Fi CSI-based respiratory motion monitoring system typically comprises several layers, each serving a specific function in the processing and analysis of Wi-Fi CSI data:

1) **Sequence Input Layer**: The Sequence Input Layer is the initial layer of the neural network architecture that is specifically designed to handle sequential data inputs, such as time-series data or sequences of feature vectors. In the context of respiratory motion monitoring using Wi-Fi CSI (Channel State Information), the Sequence Input Layer processes the sequential Wi-Fi CSI data collected over time and prepares it for further processing by subsequent layers in the neural network.

2) **BiLSTM Layer**: The Bidirectional Long Short-Term Memory (BiLSTM) Layer is a type of recurrent neural network (RNN) architecture used for modeling sequential data. The BiLSTM layer extends the capabilities of traditional LSTM (Long Short-Term Memory) networks by processing input sequences in both forward and backward directions. This bidirectional processing allows the network to capture contextual information from past and future time steps simultaneously, enhancing its ability to

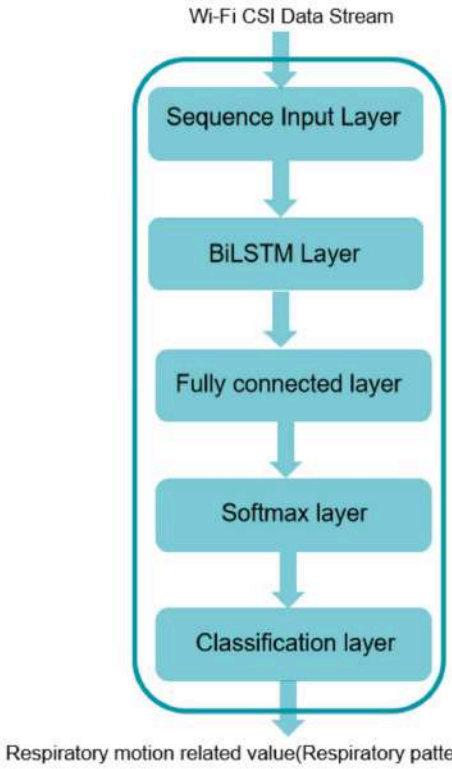

Fig. 2: LSTM network architecture of the proposed system [1]

model complex temporal dependencies in the Wi-Fi CSI data. In respiratory motion monitoring, the BiLSTM layer analyzes the temporal dynamics of Wi-Fi CSI data to detect and characterize respiratory patterns.

3) **Fully Connected Layer**: The Fully Connected Layer, also known as the Dense Layer, is a traditional neural network layer where each neuron is connected to every neuron in the previous layer. In the context of respiratory motion monitoring, the Fully Connected Layer integrates the features extracted by the BiLSTM layer and performs nonlinear transformations to learn higher-level representations of the data. This layer enables the neural network to capture complex relationships and patterns in the Wi-Fi CSI data, facilitating accurate classification of respiratory events.

4) **Softmax Layer**: The Softmax Layer is the final layer of the neural network architecture that computes the probability distribution over multiple classes or categories. In the context of respiratory motion monitoring, the Softmax Layer takes the output from the Fully Connected Layer and normalizes it into a probability distribution representing the likelihood of each respiratory pattern class. The Softmax function ensures that the output probabilities sum up to one, enabling the classification of respiratory events based on the highest probability.

5) **Classification Layer**: The Classification Layer is responsible for assigning labels or classifying the input data into predefined categories based on the output probabilities computed by the Softmax Layer. In respiratory motion monitoring, the Classification Layer determines the respiratory pattern associated with the input Wi-Fi CSI data, such as normal breathing, deep breathing, or irregular breathing. The classification results obtained from this layer provide valuable insights into the patient's respiratory status and can be used to guide clinical interventions and treatment decisions.

Advantages

- Non-intrusive Monitoring
- Convenience and Accessibility
- Real-time Monitoring
- Remote Monitoring Capabilities

Disadvantages

- Privacy and Security Concerns
- Reliability and Accuracy
- Technical Challenges
- Integration and Interoperability

Applications

- Clinical Monitoring
- Home Healthcare
- Sleep Monitoring
- Home Healthcare & Sleep Monitoring

Conclusion

To sum up, the integration of Wi-Fi CSI into healthcare monitoring represents a transformative leap towards personalized and proactive patient care. Wi-Fi CSI-based respiratory motion monitoring systems offer a non-intrusive and data-rich approach to tracking respiratory dynamics. Experimental validation underscores the reliability and clinical utility of these systems, paving the way for their integration into diverse healthcare settings. The BreatheSmart Algorithm exemplifies the sophistication and potential of Wi-Fi CSI-based monitoring solutions, promising enhanced accuracy, efficiency, and accessibility in respiratory monitoring. As healthcare continues to embrace digital innovation, Wi-Fi CSI stands poised to revolutionize patient care delivery, ushering in an era where real-time insights and personalized interventions redefine the standards of healthcare excellence.

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STUDY ON THE EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENT OF DIODE SIDE PUMPED SOLID STATE LASERS

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Abstract

Improving the efficiency of Diode Pumped Solid State Laser (DPSSLs) is a challenging job ever since the discovery of DPSSLs. End pumped DPSSL has an inherent advantage of higher coupling efficiency compared to side pumped DPSSLs due to higher absorption length for the input diode power. However this technique is not applicable to high power DPSSL especially above 100 W CW lasers as the laser crystal cannot withstand the very high pump power density and the get fractured under thermal stress. Therefore, obviously side pumping is the only option for high power DPSSLs typically above 100 W average power. The limitation of side pumping is the lower absorption length and multiple reflection of diode power is required for efficient use of pump power. This is partially solved by increasing the doping concentration but the lower beam quality is the price to be paid for it. Further doping concentration cannot be increased beyond certain level as the crystal breaks under strain developed by the dopant. This introduces stringent design constraints for high power DPSSL and also limitations to the power coupling. Furthermore bare diodes have typical divergence of 40 to 50 deg and very close coupling becomes essential for efficient utilization of diode power. Use of micro-lens array is the usual solution, but this reduces the available diode power to be coupled to the laser crystal due to Fresnel reflections leading to reduction in overall efficiency of the system. Thus the laser head design becomes a real challenge for any designer working with high average power DPSSLs. In this paper we describe various techniques employed to improve the overall efficiency of diode side pumped DPSSL.

Keywords: Diode pumped solid state laser, efficiency improvement of lasers, resonators, power concentrators

Introduction

Design and optimization of a DPSSL depends on three important issues, namely, the thermal analysis of the gain medium, coupling of diode power into the laser crystal and the resonator design incorporating the variable thermal lens. The requirement of thermal analysis and management stems from the fact that the excitation process of a laser crystal produces heat inside the material due to non-radiative transitions. This heat generated during diode pumping is non-negligible and sufficient to modify the temperature and refractive index distribution inside the gain medium. The resonator design includes selection of optical components and their placements for desired output power and other beam parameters. However, in addition to these theoretical problems the designer has to make enormous effort to couple diode power in to the laser crystal and to determine space for optimum positioning of various components such Q

Switches, intra cavity frequency doublers etc. The former is critical for improving the efficiency of DPSSL whereas the later for beam quality. We have used parameters of Nd YAG laser rod for our theoretical and experimental studies reported in this paper. For thermal analysis we have developed the necessary simulation framework that takes into account temperature dependent material parameters, such as thermal conductivity ((), thermal expansion coefficient ((), thermo-optic coefficient ((=dn/dT), and obtained the distribution of temperature and refractive index together with the thermal lens focal length, for both radial (fr) and transverse (f() of the Nd:YAG laser rod [1,4,7,8,10]. Following thermal analysis of the Nd:YAG rod, we begin simulations for resonator design. The thermal lens focal length (f) obtained from the thermal analysis of Nd:YAG rod provides an input for resonator design. We develop here simulation methodology in the framework of ABCD matrix and study the effect of the resonator parameters such as distance of 100 percentage mirror (d1), output coupler (d2), and the suitable radii of curvatures (r1 and r2) on the beam parameters under the influence of thermal effects[3,11]. We have shown that the curves of the output beam size generated for the variation of the resonator parameters show a stable region that is insensitive to the thermal/mechanical fluctuations, and this region is of interest for the operation of a DPSSL to produce maximum output power and lowest sensitivity to any misalignment [9, 10]. The choice of resonator parameters arrived from our study is also required to take into account the physical limitations in incorporating other optical elements such as acousto-optic Q-switch, second harmonic crystal etc[2,5]. These theoretical observations are proved during the assembly and testing of our laser systems.

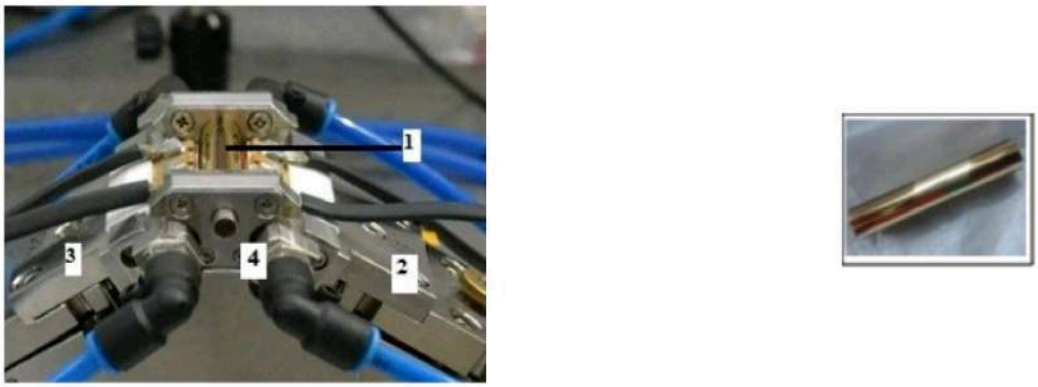

Fig. 1: Laser Head: 1- Diode Power Concentrator, 23 - Laser Diode Bars arranged on translational stages, 4 – Laser Rod. Inset shows Diode Power Concentrator with Gold Coating

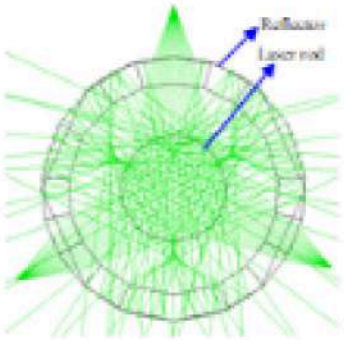

Fig. 2: Ray Diagram For Laser Rod Illumination Using Diode Output. (Divergence 40 Degree)

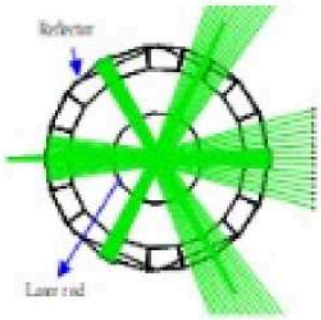

Fig. 3: Ray Diagram For Laser Rod Illumination Using Diode Output (Divergence 5 Degree)

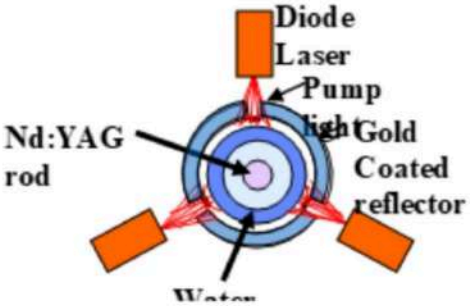

Fig. 4: Coupling Scheme for Diode Arrays

Design and Experimentation

Based on the theoretical studies we designed a practical laser system. During the design, we face additional challenges such as physical constraints of placing various components, coupling of diode power into laser crystal and the optimization of various components and parameters. Efficient coupling of highly divergent diode laser output to the Nd:YAG laser rod is the most difficult task that we have encountered in the mechanical design and assembly of the DPSSL developed in our laboratory. Various coupling schemes to transport diode power into the laser rod can be found in the literature [1]. We designed, fabricated and tested an optimized laser system through a close coupled scheme with no additional intervening optics except the water flow tube between laser rod and diode output. The flow tube is a gold coated glass tube which acts also as the reflector to concentrate diode power into the laser rod. The flow tube is shown in Fig 1. Precisely fabricated slits on the gold coated glass tube allow the diode power to enter into the reflector cum flow tube and after successive reflections the diode power almost completely get absorbed by the laser rod. Ray tracing techniques are employed to provide design guidelines of various devices for coupling diode laser output in to the laser rod with minimum loss for diode power. The ray diagram for laser rod illumination using diode array is shown in Fig 2 and 3.At the end of experimentation with various options we have adopted a cavity structure, which is one of the simplest in terms of design with minimum number of mechanical and optical components and thereby reducing the complexity and cost of fabrication, assembly and testing. At the same time while using this scheme we have not observed any degradation in the performance of the laser system. In this direct coupling scheme light from linear array of diode bars without micro lens is being used. The coupling scheme employed in our design is shown in Fig 4.We have adjusted the size of the diode beam on the laser rod just sufficient to illuminate it.

This is made possible by changing the distance of diode bars from the laser rod by means of translation stages attached to the base plate mounting the diodes and also a tilt mechanism provided in the assembly. Finally, the output power is optimized by temperature tuning of diode arrays.

Result and Discussion

The heat load that limits the performance of DPSSL in terms of output power and beam quality is addressed by the unique design methodology. Using finite element method and advanced mathematical computational techniques, we have modelled temperature and refractive index variations inside the laser rod both at non-lasing and lasing conditions incorporating the changes of all known material parameters like thermal conductivity, refractive index, coefficient of thermal expansion etc. [7, 8]

The design and developmental studies conducted to produce maximum output power at fundamental wavelength is explained. Efficient coupling of highly divergent diode laser output to the Nd:YAG laser rod is a challenging job and we have achieved the same via a close coupled scheme with no additional intervening optics but at the same time providing a uniform excitation of the laser medium. Ray tracing techniques are employed to provide design guidelines for coupling diode laser output in to the laser rod. Since the complexity of the design and assembly increases with increasing number of components we have adopted a cavity structure which is one of the simplest in terms of design, containing minimum number of mechanical and optical components. Such a cavity can be fabricated at the lowest possible cost and has minimum complexity without sacrificing the performance of the laser system. In the coupling scheme we have adopted light from linear array of diode laser bars having divergence up to 500 can be used.

We have indigenously developed laser head and fabricated by M/s Holmarc Optomechatronics Pvt. Ltd. Laser Diodes used were supplied by Northrop Grumman, USA Model No. ARR121C160. The laser rod of diameter 4mm and length 70 mm with 0.6 percent of doping concentration is used. The alignment of laser diode is done using CCD camera, from Thorlabs Model No. DCU223M, connected to a computer. And the power optimization is done using the translational stages fitted on the laser head. The distribution of diode power inside the laser rod during the alignment of the three laser diodes are shown in Fig 5.

Q switching was done using Acouto-Optic Q switch from Gooch and House go Model No.I-QS027-5S4G-B5. We have operated in the frequency range from 2 kHz to 10 kHz. The pulse width was measured using a photodiode connected to Mixed Signal Oscilloscope from Agilent Technologies, Model No. MSO-X 2002A. The smallest pulse width measured is 80ns at 2 kHz, p r f.

The laser resonator with different configurations is tested for the fundamental wavelength i.e. 1064nm. The maximum power of 100W is obtained for input mirror(HR at 1064nm) of 500mm ROC and 1000mm ROC output coupler(85 percent reflection at 1064nm)with d1 = 52mm and d2 = 52mm. (d1 and d2 are the distances of input mirror and output mirror from the end of laser rod). The laser system developed in our laboratory is shown in Fig 6 and 7.

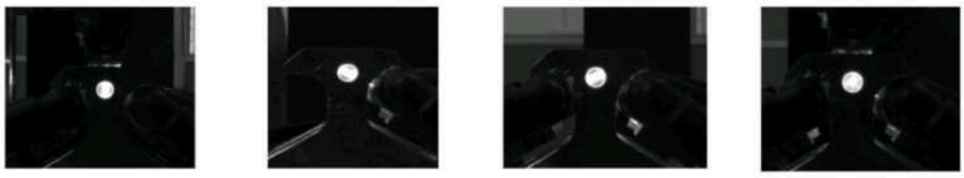

Fig. 5: Distribution of diode power inside the laser rod – CCD images of rod illumination. (a) (b) (c) Diodes aligned individually and (d) Three diodes (symmetrically placed around the laser rod)

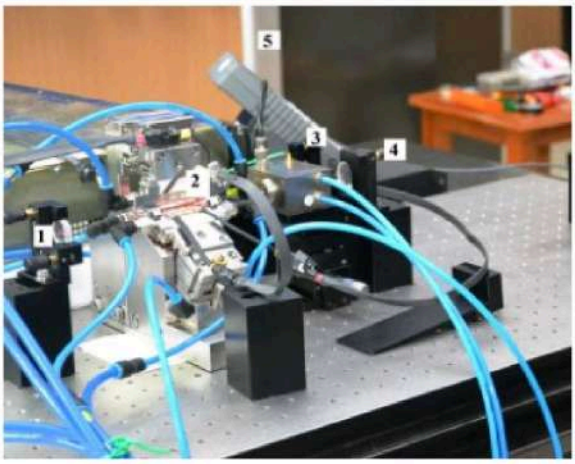

Fig. 6: Laser Assembly: 1 - 100 percent Mirror, 2 Laser Head, 3-Acousto Optic Q-Switch, 4- Output Mirror, 5 - Power Meter

Fig. 7: 1-Laser Assembly, 2-Power meter,3-Cooling system for diode array, 4- Cooling system for laser rod, 5- Laser Diode Driver

Conclusion

We have developed a 100 W CW Nd YAG laser with wall plug efficiency more than 10 percent, optical to optical efficiency 25 percent and slope efficiency 40 percent. This power and efficiency is comparable to that reported in the literature. Efficiency of the system can be further improved by using better diode laser power concentrators which is under development.

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WIRELESS TECHNOLOGIES USED IN VEHICULAR COMMUNICATION

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Abstract

The surge in autonomous vehicles necessitates a robust Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) communication system, vital for smart cities and self-driving cars. This study introduces a LoRa-based V2X architecture, prioritizing reliability, low power consumption, and efficient data handover between Road Side Units (RSUs) and On-Board Units (OBUs). The proposed Device-to-Device (D2D) approach and Received Signal Strength Indicator (RSSI)-based algorithms enhance link quality, addressing existing literature gaps. Prototypes featuring low-power microcontrollers underscore the architecture's portability and energy efficiency. Real-world evaluations under practical scenarios involving varying vehicle speeds offer insights into its performance, contributing to the advancement of LoRa-based V2X communication. This research bridges gaps, presenting a promising solution for connectivity challenges in the era of autonomous vehicles.

Introduction

In recent years, the proliferation of autonomous vehicles has surged dramatically, necessitating the development of a robust Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) communication system to ensure the reliability and autonomy of these vehicles. This imperative extends beyond individual vehicle operations, as V2X communication is recognized as a cornerstone for the realization of future smart cities and the seamless integration of self-driving cars [1]. At its core, V2X involves the communication of a vehicle with various units, including other vehicles and roadside infrastructures [3]. This communication paradigm encompasses four key constituents: Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V), Vehicle-to-Infrastructure (V2I), Vehicle-to-Pedestrian (V2P), and Vehicle-to-Network (V2N) communication .

V2V communication facilitates interaction among vehicles on the road as shown in Fig:1, with objectives ranging from collision avoidance and reduced travel time to facilitating autonomous driving . V2I communication involves data exchange between vehicles and road infrastructures, serving purposes like collision avoidance, traffic signal control, and congestion management [2]. Ensuring the detection of pedestrians and averting accidents characterizes V2P communication, wherein smartphones' underlying wireless technologies play a pivotal role. Meanwhile, V2N communication remains relatively unexplored, representing the interaction of vehicles with networks, servers, or data centers . In the realm of V2X, vehicles share instantaneous information such as speed, coordinates, and acceleration with other vehicles and infrastructure. However, this cutting-edge technology grapples with formidable challenges, including time criticality, latency intolerance, security, and privacy concerns [3]. The foundation of a reliable V2X communication system rests on crafting an architecture that addresses these challenges and selecting the appropriate communication technology.

Vehicles engaged in V2X communication are equipped with an embedded system comprising necessary sensors and processing units, termed the On-Board Unit (OBU). Simultaneously, the surrounding infrastructures feature a processing unit and transceiver, collectively referred to as the Road Side Unit (RSU).

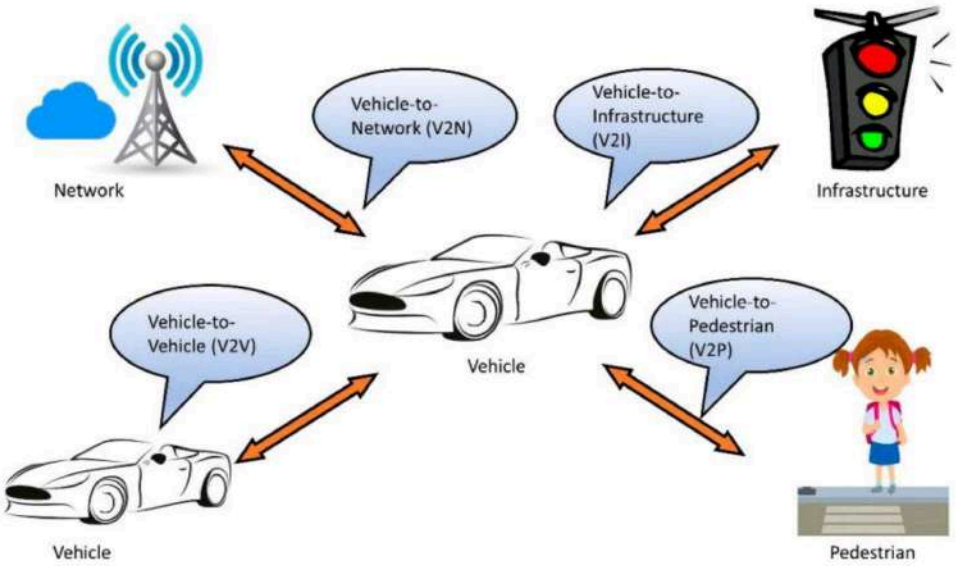

Fig. 1: (Constituents of V2X communication)(Courtesy : NLM)

These units communicate bidirectionally, with OBUs collecting data, processing it, and transmitting refined packets via the transceiver to predefined recipients, enabling timely warnings and suggestions to other vehicles and RSUs .

The challenges of V2X communication are multifaceted, encompassing vehicle mobility, dynamic environments, data handover between RSUs, and the impact of vehicular density and roadside structures on communication link quality. Real-time data transmission is critical for intelligent transportation system (ITS) applications, presenting an additional challenge [3]. Notably, many legacy vehicles lack embedded circuitry for V2X communication, underscoring the need for modularity in OBUs and RSUs to extend V2X capabilities to older vehicles.

Extensive research has explored various wireless technologies for V2X communication, ranging from medium and long-range low-power options like LoRa, Zigbee, BLE, and Wi-Fi to 3GPP LTE and 5G NR. Each technology, however, presents challenges, such as communication latency, transmission range, throughput, and power consumption . The study delves into these challenges, scrutinizing technologies like WiMAX, 4G, Zigbee, and LoRa, ultimately positioning LoRa as a promising choice for achieving a balance between transmission range, data rate, and power efficiency .

V2X Communication: Wireless Technologies and the Associated Challenges

Wireless technologies crucial for IoT applications, especially vehicular communications, have been standardized by key organizations like IEEE, IETF, ITU, 3GPP, Zigbee, and the LoRa Alliance. These standards operate across diverse frequency bands and transmission distances, offering adaptability in IoT deployments. Leading IoT wireless technologies include Zigbee, LoRaWAN, LTE-M, Z-wave, NB-IoT, BLE, IEEE 802.15.4, IEEE 802.11ah, and IEEE 802.11af [4].

Zigbee is favored for its energy efficiency and short-range communication, while LoRaWAN excels in long-range applications. LTE-M and NB-IoT provide reliable cellular connectivity, particularly useful for mobile or remote IoT devices. BLE is ideal for short-range, low-power applications like wearables. IEEE 802.15.4 forms the basis for Zigbee, contributing to low-rate wireless personal area networks.

These technologies cater to diverse needs based on factors such as power consumption, range, and data rate. Collaborative efforts among standardization bodies ensure a cohesive and interoperable IoT landscape, fostering innovation and seamless connectivity across a wide array of applications.

- **Zigbee**

  Vehicular communication utilizing Zigbee technology involves the deployment of a low-power, short-range wireless communication standard for facilitating seamless interaction between vehicles and infrastructure. Zigbee operates in the 2.4 GHz frequency band and is characterized by its low energy consumption, making it well-suited for applications requiring efficient power usage in vehicular environments.
  In this context, Zigbee enables Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V) and Vehicle-to-Infrastructure (V2I) communication. Vehicles equipped with Zigbee modules can share information such as speed, location, and status with nearby vehicles, fostering the development of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS). This real-time data exchange is integral for enhancing road safety through features like collision avoidance and cooperative adaptive cruise control.
  Zigbee's short-range nature is advantageous for communication in dense traffic conditions. It allows vehicles to create ad-hoc networks, forming a dynamic communication mesh. This mesh network facilitates reliable communication even when direct line-of-sight is obstructed, contributing to robust V2V and V2I connectivity.
  While Zigbee is effective in specific use cases, its limited range may necessitate infrastructure support to cover larger areas. Nonetheless, its efficiency, low power consumption, and ability to form resilient communication networks make Zigbee a valuable technology for enhancing vehicular communication systems.

  Zigbee operates in the 2.4 GHz frequency, which might face limitations in range, especially in open-road scenarios. Additionally, its data rate might be insufficient for high-bandwidth applications in vehicular communication, impacting real-time data exchange.

- **LoRa**

  Vehicular communication leveraging LoRa (Long-Range) technology involves the deployment of a wireless communication standard designed for extended-range communication with low power consumption. LoRa operates in unlicensed radio bands, such as 433 MHz, 868 MHz (Europe), and 915 MHz (North America), providing a balance between range and energy efficiency.
  In the context of vehicular communication, LoRa facilitates both Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V) and Vehicle-to-Infrastructure (V2I) communication. LoRa's long-range capabilities, reaching up to 15 km in suburban areas with line-of-sight, make it suitable for applications requiring communication over expansive geographical areas.
  Vehicles equipped with LoRa modules can exchange information like location, speed, and status, enabling enhanced safety features and traffic management. LoRa's efficiency in low-power, long-range communication makes it particularly useful for applications like smart parking, traffic monitoring, and environmental sensing in vehicular environments.
  The versatility of LoRa extends to its applications in smart cities and rural areas, making it a viable technology for improving connectivity and communication in diverse vehicular scenarios. However, it's essential to consider the trade-offs, such as lower transmission throughput and limited bandwidth, when deploying LoRa in vehicular communication systems. Despite these challenges, LoRa's strengths in long-range connectivity and low energy consumption contribute significantly to the advancement of intelligent vehicular networks.

  LoRa's success in long-range communication might face challenges in dense urban environments with numerous connected devices. Network congestion could affect communication reliability and response times in critical vehicular applications.

- **DSRC**

  DSRC, or Dedicated Short-Range Communication, is a wireless communication technology specifically designed for vehicular communication systems. Operating in the 5.9 GHz band, DSRC enables direct and rapid communication between vehicles and infrastructure, contributing to the development of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS).
  DSRC plays a pivotal role in enhancing road safety and traffic efficiency. It facilitates Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V) communication, allowing vehicles to exchange information about their speed, location, and status. This real-time data sharing enables advanced safety applications, such as collision avoidance and emergency braking.
  Moreover, DSRC supports Vehicle-to-Infrastructure (V2I) communication, allowing vehicles to interact with traffic signals, road signs, and other infrastructure components. This capability enhances traffic management and enables features like traffic light prioritization for emergency vehicles.
  DSRC has been a key technology in the development of Connected and Autonomous Vehicles (CAVs) by providing a reliable and low-latency communication framework. Despite its effectiveness, there have been discussions about the coexistence of DSRC with other emerging technologies like Cellular V2X (C-V2X), highlighting the ongoing evolution in the landscape of vehicular communication systems.

  DSRC relies on a specific frequency band, and securing sufficient spectrum for widespread adoption can be challenging. Additionally, achieving interoperability among vehicles and infrastructure from different manufacturers poses a challenge, requiring standardized protocols.

- **BLE**

  Vehicular communication employing Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) utilizes a short-range wireless technology designed for low-power, energy-efficient communication. Operating in the 2.4 GHz frequency band, BLE is well-suited for close-range interactions between vehicles, creating a network for Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V) communication and enhancing the capabilities of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS).
  Bluetooth Low Energy enables vehicles to exchange critical information, including speed, location, and status, supporting applications like cooperative adaptive cruise control and collision avoidance. Its low power consumption is advantageous for continuous communication without significant strain on vehicle batteries.
  BLE's suitability for short-range communication makes it effective in urban environments and traffic scenarios where vehicles are in close proximity. Its ease of implementation and integration into various devices contribute to its popularity in vehicular communication applications.
  However, the limited range of BLE may require infrastructure support to cover larger areas effectively. Despite this constraint, BLE's efficiency, low energy consumption, and compatibility with a wide range of devices make it a valuable technology for enhancing safety and connectivity in vehicular communication systems, particularly in urban and congested traffic environments.

  BLE, while energy-efficient, has limitations in range and data throughput. In vehicular communication, this may hinder effective communication between vehicles or between vehicles and infrastructure, particularly in scenarios requiring higher data rates.

- **WiMAX**

  Vehicular communication utilizing WiMAX (Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access) involves the deployment of a broadband wireless technology designed for high-speed data transmission

over relatively long distances. Operating in the 2 GHz to 11 GHz frequency range, WiMAX provides a wide coverage area, making it suitable for Vehicle-to-Infrastructure (V2I) communication in vehicular environments.
WiMAX facilitates high data rates and low latency, enabling applications such as traffic management, real-time navigation, and multimedia streaming in intelligent transportation systems. With its extended range and non-line-of-sight capabilities, WiMAX can establish robust connections between vehicles and roadside infrastructure, contributing to safer and more efficient traffic flow.
Vehicles equipped with WiMAX modules can access real-time traffic information, receive updates on road conditions, and interact with smart infrastructure elements like traffic lights and signs. This technology's capacity for handling a large number of simultaneous connections is advantageous in urban and high-traffic areas.
While WiMAX offers high data rates and extended coverage, it may face challenges in terms of power consumption and hardware complexity for vehicular communication. Despite these considerations, WiMAX stands out for its potential in delivering high-performance broadband connectivity to vehicles, fostering the development of advanced applications in the realm of intelligent vehicular communication systems.

WiMAX's deployment involves substantial costs, particularly in establishing the necessary infrastructure. This challenge can impact the widespread adoption of WiMAX for vehicular communication, especially in regions where cost-effectiveness is a critical consideration.

- **C-V2X**

Cellular Vehicle-to-Everything (C-V2X) is a communication technology that enables vehicles to communicate with each other, infrastructure, pedestrians, and other road users. It utilizes cellular networks to exchange information, enhancing road safety and traffic efficiency. C-V2X supports both direct vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) and vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) communication.
In V2V scenarios, C-V2X allows vehicles to share real-time data such as position, speed, and direction, enabling advanced safety applications like collision warnings. V2I communication involves interactions with infrastructure like traffic lights or road signs, providing valuable information to vehicles for optimized traffic flow.
C-V2X operates in two modes: direct communication and network-based communication. Direct communication allows vehicles to exchange information without relying on a cellular network, useful in areas with limited connectivity. Network-based communication utilizes cellular networks to enable long-range communication, ensuring connectivity in diverse environments.
Overall, C-V2X plays a crucial role in creating a connected and safer transportation ecosystem by facilitating communication between vehicles and their surroundings, fostering a more intelligent and responsive transportation system.

TABLE I: (Comparison of different wireless technologies used in V2X)(Courtesy:NLM)

WirelessTechnology	Network Type	Spectrum	Transmission Range
LoRa	WAN	433,868 and 915MHz	2–5km(Urban) and 15km(suburban)
Zigbee	PAN	433,868 and 915 MHz	10–100 m
DSRC	Wireless Ad-hoc	5.8–5.9 GHz	1 km
Bluetooth Low Energy	PAN	2.4 GHz	100 m (Class1);10 m (Class2);1 m (Class3)
WiMAX	Wireless Broadband	5.8 GHz	50 Km
C-V2X	Cellular Wireless Broadband	5.9 GHz	Greater than DSRC and LoRa

Applications of Vehicular Communication

Vehicular communication, encompassing Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) interactions, has diverse applications that enhance road safety, traffic management, and overall transportation efficiency. Some key applications include:

- **Collision Avoidance** : V2X communication enables vehicles to exchange real-time data, such as speed and position, facilitating early warnings and collision avoidance strategies.
- **Traffic Signal Optimization** : V2X communication allows vehicles to interact with traffic signals, optimizing signal timings based on traffic flow and reducing congestion.
- **Cooperative Adaptive Cruise Control (CACC)** : Vehicles can communicate with each other to maintain safe and efficient following distances, enhancing traffic flow.
- **Emergency Vehicle Notification** : V2X enables the rapid communication of emergency vehicle locations to surrounding vehicles, allowing for quick and safe maneuvering.
- **Intersection Safety** : Vehicles can share their intended paths at intersections, reducing the risk of collisions and improving overall intersection safety.
- **Road Condition Monitoring** : Vehicles can relay information about road conditions, such as icy patches or potholes, to enhance road maintenance and safety.
- **Automated Parking** : V2X communication aids in automated parking by allowing vehicles to communicate with parking infrastructure and find available parking spaces.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the surge in autonomous vehicles has underscored the critical need for a robust Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) communication system. V2X, comprising V2V, V2I, V2P, and V2N communication, is pivotal for realizing smart cities and seamless integration of self-driving cars. However, challenges like time criticality, security, and modularity persist. Extensive research has explored various wireless technologies, with LoRa emerging as a promising choice due to its balance between range, data rate, and power efficiency.

This proposes a LoRa-based V2X architecture, emphasizing reliability and low power consumption. The incorporation of a Device-to-Device (D2D) approach addresses gaps in existing literature. Prototypes demonstrate portability and energy efficiency, and real-world scenarios evaluate performance. Additionally, DSRC, Zigbee, BLE, WiMAX, and C-V2X each contribute to the diverse landscape of vehicular communication, offering unique strengths and applications.

In essence, the advancement of intelligent vehicular networks relies on a nuanced understanding of technologies, their trade-offs, and their applications in varied scenarios. The ongoing evolution in this field, marked by innovations and the coexistence of multiple technologies, promises a connected and safer transportation ecosystem, paving the way for a more intelligent and responsive transportation system.

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CHARGE STATION
ELECTRIC VEHICLE

ELECTRIC RACING MOTORS POWERED BY SOLAR PANELS

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Abstract

The use of electric vehicles are increasing day by day. This requires a large domestic and commercial charging network. Also , in order to raise awareness and technical knowledge on vehicles with reduced carbon footprint, several electric car competitions have been launched. Formula SAE is one of these, where talented students from different universities around the globe compete to design a fully electric racing car.

This paper presents a comprehensive approach to the design and thermal assessment of a high-performance electric motor tailored specifically for racing applications, coupled with the integration of solar charging infrastructure for electric vehicles (EVs). The study addresses the unique challenges and requirements inherent in both high-performance racing environments and sustainable transportation solutions. It also presents the design process and the thermal assessment of a high-performance electric motor for a FSAE racing car. The starting requirements for the electromagnetic and thermal designs are based on realistic available data from previous competitions and championship regulations.

The design of the high-performance electric motor prioritizes factors such as power density, torque characteristics, and efficiency to meet the rigorous demands of racing applications. Various motor topologies, including permanent magnet synchronous motors (PMSM) and induction motors, are explored and evaluated for their suitability in racing scenarios. Special emphasis is placed on thermal management strategies to effectively dissipate heat generated during high-intensity racing events, ensuring optimal performance and reliability. Energy storage and source from solar PV systems provides an eloquent solution to power providers and drivers alike.

Introduction

Electric traction, which can lead to considerable improvement in vehicle performance, energy consumption and polluting emissions is one of the most promising technology. Among the various technologies, HEV is the most promising one. HEV stands for Hybrid Electric Vehicle, which combines a conventional internal combustion engine propulsion system with an electric propulsion system. These vehicles utilize both gasoline (or diesel) and electricity to power the vehicle, offering improved fuel efficiency and reduced emissions compared to traditional vehicles solely reliant on internal combustion engines. HEVs typically use regenerative braking to charge their batteries and switch between the gasoline engine and electric motor based on driving conditions to optimize efficiency. This hybrid technology has gained popularity as a transitional step towards fully electric vehicles, offering a compromise between environmental friendliness and practicality.The advantages of using this technology is its high performance, high fuel efficiency, low emissions and low operating ranges. HEV traction is the highest possible technology. A HEV has more

than one power source on board, a number of economic and environmental benefits over a traditional vehicle, in contrast to a conventional vehicle.

Fig. 1: FSAE racing car[3]

Figure 1 shows a model of FSAE racing car.

Racing car championships featuring hybrid electric vehicles (HEV) or battery electric vehicles (BEV) have experienced a surge in popularity, reflecting a global shift towards sustainable transportation. As concerns about environmental impact and resource depletion mount, more categories within the racing industry are embracing electrification as a means to reduce emissions and promote technological innovation.

Among these, the Formula SAE (FSAE) championship holds a prestigious position as the foremost category at the university level. It serves as a melting pot of talent, attracting aspiring engineers and racing enthusiasts from across the globe. The competition challenges students to design, build, and race high-performance electric vehicles, fostering creativity, teamwork, and technical expertise.

By participating in FSAE, students gain invaluable hands-on experience in vehicle electrification, pushing the boundaries of engineering and contributing to the advancement of sustainable transportation solutions. Moreover, the championship serves as a platform for industry collaboration and knowledge exchange, driving further innovation in the field of electric vehicle technology. As the popularity of electric racing continues to grow, FSAE plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of motorsports and sustainable mobility.

The performance of racing cars isextremely sensitive to volumes and weights, thus high power-to-volume and power-to-weight ratios are ever-stricter requirements[1]. Therefore, the electromagnetic design and the thermal management of electric motors implemented onto racing cars should target such demands, besides achieving high efficiency levels. However, maximizing power density and efficiency are often contrasting objectives and, sometimes, cost reduction is also a challenging constraint.

The market of electric vehicle has grown enormously for a past few years and is expected to continue the growth. This requires a comprehensive, domestic and commercial charging network. There is already a rapidly growing infrastructure, with charging points including fast chargers that can charge your vehicle in half an hour or less. 20 percent of the parking lots in London require EV charging points in new development. This gives PV installers an exciting new chance to combine PV and EV. In addition, it will be necessary for employers and customers to have access to charging stations[2]. A constructive network of charging system by the racing authority for electric racing cars will makes charging the vehicle more easier, cost effective, efficient and eco friendly.

Parameter	Value
Maximum wheel torque	1400 Nm
Maximum inverter switching frequency	14 KHz
Wheel radius	0.233 m
Maximum car speed	130 Km/h
Maximum motor speed	20000 RPM

TABLE I: Design Parameters

Design Parameters of electric racing motor

The motor is to be designed as per the values from Table 1 and it can be done by following the procedures below. The design procedure of the electric motor under study is described as:

1) Motor configuration
2) Materials' selection
3) Lamination geometry
4) Effects of saturation

- Motor configuration:
  In electric motors, torque scales with volumes. Hence, high speed designs are usually preferred over high torque ones. However, in this case, special attention should be paid to the design of the winding's insulation system, to endure the increased electric stresses associates to the fast commutations of the power electronics needed to drive the high speed motors.
- Materials' selection:
  The motor materials are chosen having particular care of balancing the performance with the cost.
- Lamination geometry:
  For the sake of simplicity, a D-Q axis approach is established for the electric motor design. From now on, the high permeability magnetic axis will be labelled as Q axis, while the low permeability one will be labelled as D axis.
- Effects of saturation:
  The preliminary geometry and main dimensions of the laminated stack are defined solving the magnetic circuit for D- and Q-axis for every section of the motor, following the methodologies reported in [14]. For a better prediction of the performance, an algorithm is introduced that takes into account, in a simplified but effective way, the effect of saturation along the Q-axis, which is the most susceptible to this phenomenon. Input parameters of such algorithm are the geometrical dimensions, the material and the magnitude and phase of stator current.

Block Diagram

Solar panels are the primary components for capturing solar energy. These photovoltaic (PV) panels convert sunlight into electricity through the photovoltaic effect. A Solar DC Fast Charger combines the benefits of a DC Fast Charger with solar photovoltaic (PV) panels to harness solar energy for electric vehicle (EV) charging. Solar panels are installed on the charging station structure or nearby to capture sunlight and convert it into electricity. The solar panels generate direct current (DC) electricity, which can be utilized directly for charging or fed into the grid.The core of the charging station includes a DC Fast Charger capable of delivering high-powered, direct current electricity to compatible electric vehicles. Some chargers incorporate a battery energy storage system to store excess solar energy for later use. This enables continuous charging during periods of low sunlight or during the night, enhancing the station's reliability and reducing dependence on the grid. An electric vehicle (EV) motor is the component

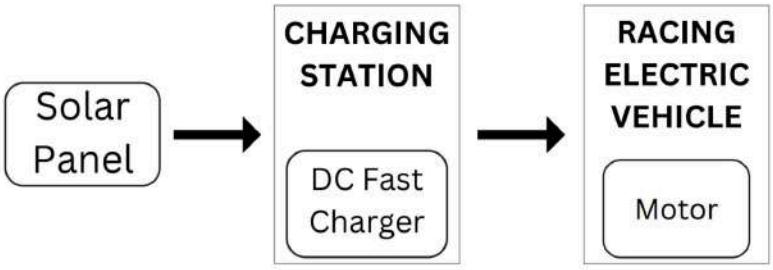

Fig. 2: Charging system of an electric racing vehicle by solar panel[2]

responsible for converting electrical energy stored in the vehicle's battery into mechanical energy to propel the vehicle. They play a central role in the performance, efficiency, and driving experience of electric vehicles, contributing to the transition toward sustainable and environmentally friendly transportation solutions.

Charging Equipment

1) Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment:
   Electric supply vehicles (EVSE) or charging systems are a prerequisite for vehicle owners to accept electric vehicles (EVs) . Different countries have adopted different approaches and business models with mixed results in the establishment of the EVSE ecosystem.We propose a high -speed DC fast charging model that can change an EV with a 25 kWh battery in 30 minutes[2].
2) Types of E vehicle chargers:
   It is usually possible to categorise EVSE or loading devices as AC and DC loading devices. The EV battery requires DCs, which can be directly supplied to the EV battery by a DC charger. The converter on-board AC-DC on an EV can also convert the AC supply to the EV battery from the AC charge[2]. In order to charge the AC vehicle,an AC-DC converter should be included, which adds to the costs and weight of the EV.Nevertheless,in small sizes,all EVs have an AC-DC converter so that any AC supplies are charged.When the AC is charged,the charging speed of the on-board AC-DC converter depends upon the DC output.High power chargers are available that can quickly charge batteries in the electricity supply system, depending on the battery chemistry and battery management system (BMS).

Applications and Advantages

Electric racing motors powered by solar panels offer a combination of sustainable energy and high-performance technology. Here are several applications and advantages of this technology:

- Eco-friendly Racing:
  Reduced Carbon Footprint: The use of electric motors powered by solar panels significantly reduces the carbon footprint associated with traditional racing, which relies on fossil fuels. This makes racing events more environmentally sustainable.
- Renewable Energy Integration:
  Solar Power Harvesting: Solar panels integrated into the racing vehicle provide a renewable energy

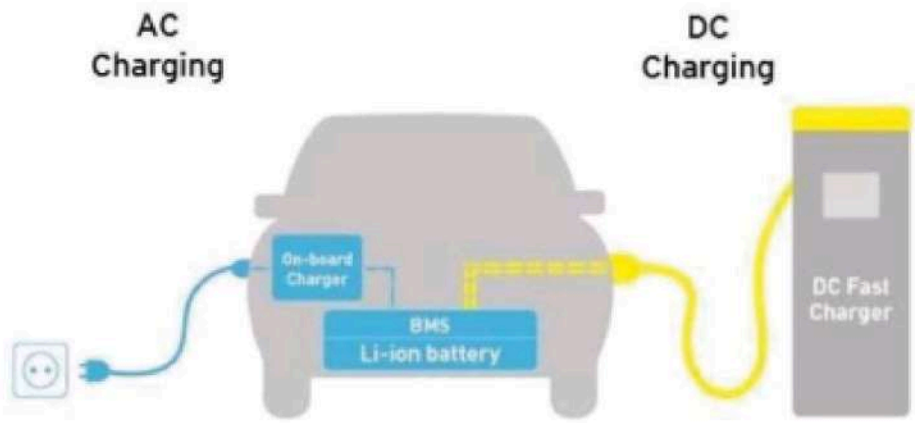

Fig. 3: Charging System[2]

source, harnessing sunlight to generate electricity. This promotes the integration of clean energy in a high-performance setting.

- Cost Savings:
  Lower Operating Costs:Solar power is a free and abundant resource. By harnessing solar energy to power racing motors, teams can potentially reduce operating costs related to fuel and energy consumption.
- Technological Innovation:
  Advanced Motor Technology: The development of electric racing motors encourages advancements in electric motor technology. This innovation can have spillover effects, influencing the design and efficiency of motors in other applications.
- Educational Opportunities:
  STEM Education: Electric racing with solar power provides a platform for educational programs and initiatives in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). It engages students in real-world applications of renewable energy and electric vehicle technology.
- Promotion of Sustainable Practices:
  Role Model for Sustainable Transportation: Electric racing with solar power sets an example for sustainable transportation. It demonstrates the feasibility and performance capabilities of green technologies, encouraging the adoption of similar practices in the automotive industry.

In summary, the application of electric racing motors powered by solar panels goes beyond the racetrack, impacting various industries and contributing to the development of sustainable and efficient technologies.

Disadvantages

While electric racing motors powered by solar panels offer numerous advantages, there are also some disadvantages associated with this technology. Here are several points to consider:

- Limited Energy Output:
  Variable Power Generation: Solar panels depend on sunlight, and energy generation can be inconsistent, especially in cloudy or low-light conditions. This variability can limit the availability of power for the racing motors.
- Energy Storage Challenges:

Storage Capacity: Storing solar energy efficiently for high-performance racing applications can be challenging. Despite advancements in battery technology, the capacity and weight of batteries may still limit the range and performance of the racing vehicle.

- Weather Dependence:
  Weather Sensitivity: Electric racing powered by solar panels is sensitive to weather conditions. Rain, snow, or overcast skies can reduce the efficiency of solar panels, impacting the vehicle's performance.
- Initial Cost:
  High Initial Investment: The cost of developing and implementing a solar-powered electric racing system can be high. Teams may face significant upfront expenses for solar panels, energy storage solutions, and high-performance electric motors.
- Maintenance and Repairs:
  Complex Maintenance: Solar panels and electric motors require specialized maintenance. Repairs and replacements can be time-consuming and may involve skilled technicians, potentially affecting the reliability of the racing vehicle.
- Infrastructure Limitations:
  Charging Infrastructure: While solar-powered racing reduces dependence on traditional power grids, it requires specific charging infrastructure for the storage and distribution of solar energy. The availability of such infrastructure may be limited, especially in remote locations.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the design and thermal assessment of a high-performance electric motor for racing applications, coupled with the integration of solar charging infrastructure for electric vehicles (EVs), represents a significant advancement in the field of electric vehicle technology. This study contributes to the advancement of electric vehicle technology, offering innovative solutions that promote energy efficiency, environmental sustainability, and performance excellence in racing and everyday transportation applications.

Through meticulous design optimization and comprehensive thermal assessment, we have showcased the viability of crafting electric motors tailored to excel in high-performance racing settings. By meticulously considering factors such as power density, torque characteristics, and efficiency, we've engineered motors that deliver outstanding performance, reliability, and endurance on the racecourse.

Our approach integrates advanced materials and innovative cooling systems to mitigate thermal challenges inherent in high-speed racing environments. This ensures optimal motor operation under demanding conditions, maintaining peak performance throughout races.

Furthermore, our motors undergo rigorous testing and validation procedures to guarantee their robustness and durability, meeting the stringent demands of competitive racing. By prioritizing both performance and reliability, we enable racing teams to push the boundaries of electric vehicle technology, setting new standards for speed, efficiency, and sustainability on the track. This dedication to excellence underscores our commitment to advancing the electrification of motorsports and driving innovation in the automotive industry.

Additionally, the integration of solar charging infrastructure amplifies the sustainability and eco-friendliness of electric vehicle transportation. Through the utilization of photovoltaic panels, solar energy is harnessed and seamlessly integrated into the charging infrastructure. This innovative approach diminishes dependence on conventional grid-powered electricity sources, subsequently curbing carbon emissions linked with EV charging. By tapping into renewable energy sources, such as solar power, we take significant strides towards a greener and more sustainable future for transportation, aligning with global efforts to combat climate change and reduce environmental impact.

In summary, the culmination of this research represents a significant step forward in the development of electric propulsion systems and sustainable charging solutions for electric vehicles. By combining high-

performance electric motors with solar charging infrastructure, we are paving the way for a future of efficient, environmentally friendly, and high-performance transportation on and off the racetrack. As the automotive industry continues to embrace electrification and sustainability, the insights gained from this study will contribute to the ongoing evolution of electric vehicle technology.

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WIRELESS CHARGING OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE AND ITS ENERGY MANAGEMENT

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Abstract

The abstract explores the integration of wireless charging technology in electric vehicles (EVs) and its associated energy management strategies. Investigating advancements in inductive power transfer and resonant coupling, the study assesses the efficiency and reliability of wireless charging systems. Addressing challenges in infrastructure deployment, the research proposes solutions while emphasizing the significance of optimizing charging schedules, load balancing, and grid integration for effective energy management. The study also explores the potential integration of renewable energy sources and energy storage to enhance sustainability. Economic and environmental impacts, including cost-effectiveness and greenhouse gas emissions reduction, are evaluated, contributing valuable insights to the ongoing development of wireless charging technology for EVs and promoting a sustainable electric transportation ecosystem.

Introduction

In contemporary times, energy has emerged as a pivotal indicator of a country's developmental status, gaining recognition as a strategic value. The escalating energy consumption across nations has underscored the importance of resource-efficient energy production. A prominent trend in response to these challenges involves the integration of renewable energy sources with Electric Vehicles (EVs), aiming to optimize the use of Renewable Energy Resources (RES) while addressing energy demands, enhancing grid stability, and fostering sustainability. The journey of Electric Vehicles traces back to 1996 when General Motors introduced the world's first electric vehicle. Since then, with initiatives from manufacturers like Chevrolet and Nissan, EV technology has undergone significant advancements, garnering widespread user acceptance for its environmentally friendly attributes. Embracing EVs is viewed as a crucial step towards environmental protection, bolstering transportation durability, and reducing reliance on traditional fuel sources. Governments globally are taking measures, including sanctions and incentives, to tackle air quality, environmental concerns, and issues associated with internal combustion engine vehicles. These efforts involve the establishment of policies by governments, automobile manufacturers, and energy companies, anticipating that Electric Vehicles will play a pivotal role in transportation with their advanced technology and evolving technical infrastructure. Consequently, there is a noticeable increase in the adoption of EVs and the proliferation of charging stations within transportation networks.

Wireless power transfer

- **WPT system** : In a standard Wireless Power Transfer (WPT) setup for Electric Vehicles (EVs), the transmitter end generates high-frequency AC power, which is wirelessly transmitted to the receiver end over a designated distance. Resonant Inductive Power Transfer (RIPT), acknowledged as the most efficient WPT method for EVs, is briefly introduced and forms the basis for the design of the entire system structure.
- **Resonant Inductive Power Transfer** : The Inductive Power Transfer (IPT) method efficiently transfers power through inductive coils, especially effective in static scenarios where the receiver coil is centrally positioned over the transmitter coil. However, for dynamic charging, where the receiver coil is movable, maintaining efficient power transfer becomes challenging. To address this, the Resonant Inductive Power Transfer (RIPT) method is employed, utilizing capacitors on both transmitter and receiver sides as compensation networks to resonate the coils. RIPT stands out as the most efficient technology for short-range wireless power transfer. Four compensation networks exist in RIPT: series-series (s-s), series-parallel (s-p), parallel-parallel (p-p), and parallel-series (p-s). This work focuses on the s-s compensation network, chosen for its ability to maximize power transfer to the receiving pad. Notably, RIPT boasts a higher switching frequency compared to IPT.
- **Charging Method** : Low-frequency AC power from the grid undergoes conversion into high-frequency AC through an AC-DC converter and DC-AC inverter. Maximizing power transfer employs the series-series (s-s) compensation topology in both the transmitter and receiver coils. The transmitting pad is typically below the road surface, and the receiving pad is beneath the vehicle, ensuring efficient magnetic flux capture. High-frequency AC is converted to DC, sent to the battery bank, monitored by the Battery Management System (BMS), and controlled for stable and safe Grid-to-Vehicle (G2V) charging. The primary focus is on optimizing the transmitter and receiver coils to enhance overall efficiency.
- **Equivalent Circuit Diagram** : This study utilizes a 70A current in resonance, avoiding abrupt voltage drops until 70A , as higher input currents enhance overall efficiency. Resonant frequency is set at 85 kHz. The RIPT system's equivalent circuit, shown in Fig. 1, includes AC/DC converters and resonant capacitors (C1 and C2) for the transmitting and receiving pads. Circuit simulations are performed in LTspice, using an equivalent circuit diagram, shown in fig. 2 due to the software's constraints on direct mutual induction representation.

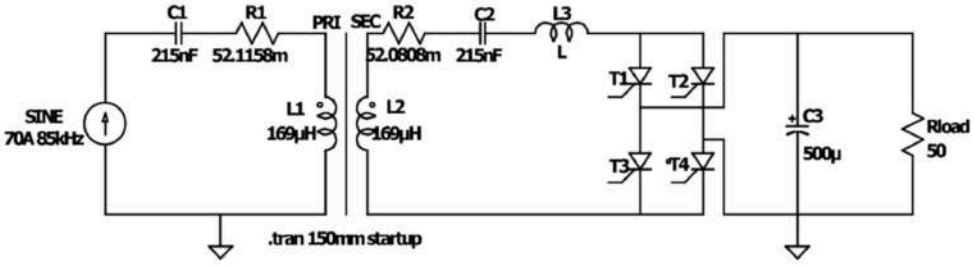

Fig. 1: Circuit representation for RIPT system [1].

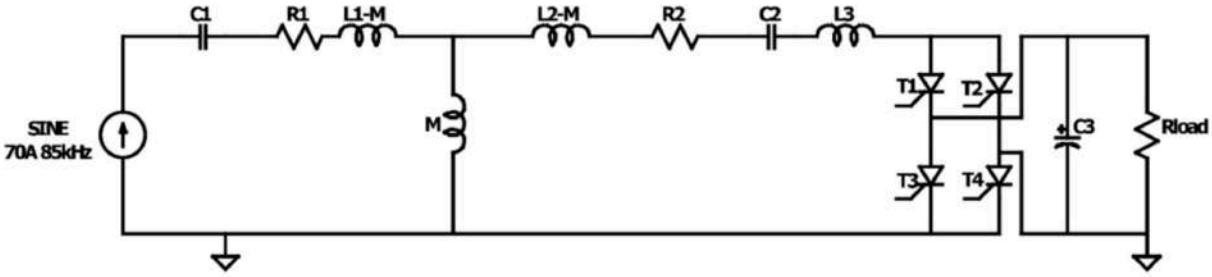

Fig. 2: Equivalent circuit diagram for given self-inductance and mutual inductance [1].

Energy Mangement using Industrial Microgrid

Utilizing MATLAB/Simulink (Fig. 3), a microgrid supports 5000 Renault Zoe EVs with RES. A 154kV power generator, linked to a 154/34.5 kV step-down transformer, powers factory loads. The PV generator, connected through a 34.5 kV / 220V distribution transformer, supports base and EV loads. Real-time solar data, depicting a sunny day timeline, guides the simulation, with EVs charging from 07.30 to 10.30 and leaving at 16.30. EV charging, modeled as an AC-controlled current source (Fig. 4), is processed at 60-second intervals. Results (Fig. 5) show effective solar charging, with SPP power adapting to EV demand and continued microgrid transfer post-charging until sunset, leveraging low basic load demand.

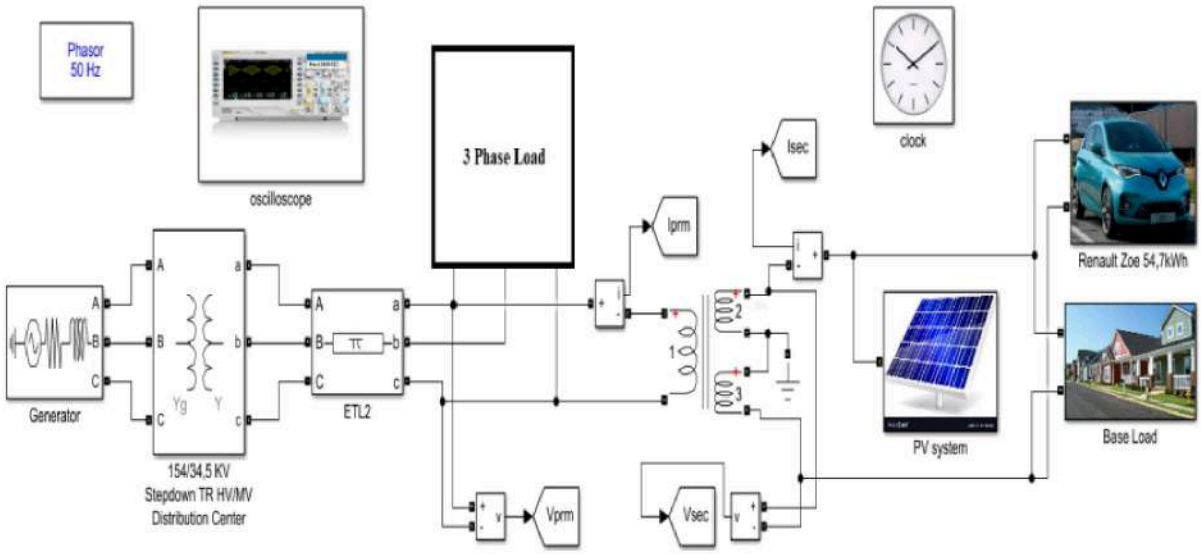

Fig. 3: Industrial Zone Microgrid Structure [2]

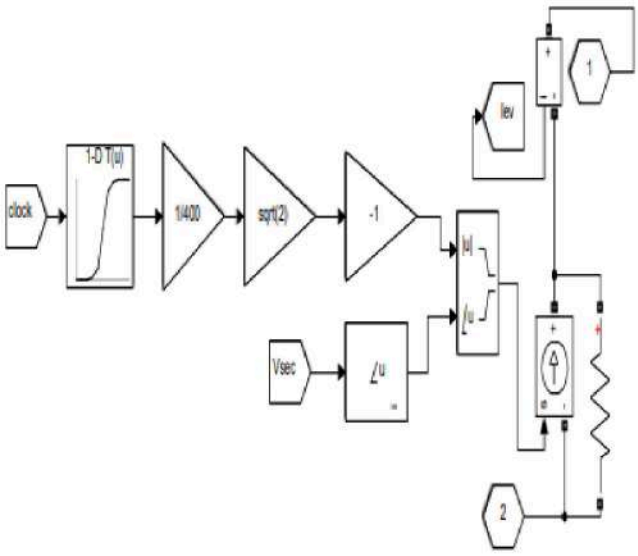

Fig. 4: EV modelling with MATLAB [2]

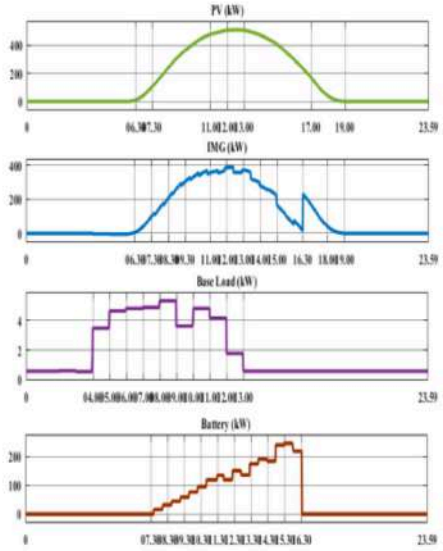

Fig. 5: Simulation results of PV, MG, Base Load an EV Charging Power [2]

Advantages

- **Convenience** : Wireless charging eliminates the need for physical plugs and cords, providing a more convenient and user-friendly experience for electric vehicle (EV) owners.
- **Efficiency** : Wireless charging systems can be designed for high efficiency, minimizing energy loss during the charging process, contributing to overall energy efficiency in the transportation sector.
- **Reduced Infrastructure Costs** : Wireless charging infrastructure can reduce the need for extensive and expensive charging station installations, making it a potentially more cost-effective solution for widespread adoption.
- **Enhanced Safety** : With no physical connection between the charging infrastructure and the vehicle, wireless charging can enhance safety by eliminating potential hazards associated with traditional charging cables.

- **Smart Energy Management** : Integration of wireless charging with smart energy management systems allows for optimized charging schedules, load balancing, and grid integration, promoting a more intelligent and sustainable use of electricity resources in the EV ecosystem.

Disadvantages

- **Lower Efficiency compared to Wired Charging** : Wireless charging systems may have lower efficiency compared to traditional wired charging methods, leading to longer charging times and potentially higher energy consumption.
- **Initial Cost and Infrastructure Investment** : The initial setup cost of implementing wireless charging infrastructure can be relatively high, hindering widespread adoption and requiring significant investment in infrastructure development
- **Compatibility Issues** : Different electric vehicle manufacturers might adopt varying wireless charging standards, leading to compatibility issues and the need for standardization to ensure a seamless experience for users.
- **Limited Range and Positioning Constraints:** : Wireless charging often requires precise alignment and proximity between the charging pad and the vehicle, limiting flexibility and convenience compared to wired charging where the cable can reach different positions.
- **Heat Generation and Thermal Management:** : The wireless charging process can generate heat, potentially impacting the overall efficiency and lifespan of the charging components. Effective thermal management becomes crucial to maintaining optimal performance and reliability.

Future scope

The future scope of energy management using a microgrid and wireless charging for electric vehicles (EVs) holds immense potential for advancing sustainability and efficiency in the energy ecosystem. Several key areas of development and exploration include:

- **Enhanced Integration of Renewable Energy Sources (RES)** : Further integration of diverse renewable energy sources within microgrids, such as solar, wind, and hydropower, to maximize clean energy utilization.
- **Advanced Energy Storage Solutions** : Research and implementation of advanced energy storage technologies, like improved battery systems and innovative storage solutions, to store excess energy generated during peak times for later use.
- **Grid Flexibility and Demand Response** : Implementation of demand response strategies to balance energy demand and supply dynamically.
- **Optimized Wireless Charging Infrastructure** :Development of more efficient and higher-power wireless charging technologies to reduce charging times and enhance convenience for EV users.
- **Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) Integration** : Research and implementation of bidirectional energy flow between EVs and the grid, allowing EVs to act as mobile energy storage units that can contribute back to the grid during peak demand periods.

Conclusion

The integration of microgrid technology and wireless charging for electric vehicles (EVs) represents a transformative approach to energy management. The synergy between microgrids and wireless charging not only enhances the sustainability of energy systems but also introduces a new paradigm

for efficient and flexible power distribution. The microgrid facilitates the seamless incorporation of renewable energy sources, grid flexibility, and demand response, contributing to a more resilient and eco-friendly energy infrastructure. Simultaneously, wireless charging advancements alleviate concerns regarding EV range limitations and offer unprecedented convenience.

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ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING: DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPACT, SAFETY ANALYSIS AND OPTIMIZATION

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Abstract

This article explores the impact of recent European directives (2014/94/EU, 2009/28/EC, 2010/31/EU) on distribution system operators, focusing on the influence of electric vehicles (EVs). The study underscores the unpreparedness of current electric networks for widespread EV use and advocates for modern consumption management, storage systems, and renewable energy integration. The analysis delves into power grid and equipment side charging for EVs, aiming to optimize structural designs for safe charging modes. Emphasizing the importance of charging safety in the evolving landscape of EV connectivity, the paper proposes solutions for both power grid and equipment side aspects. Additionally, the article explores measures to regulate battery system temperatures during charging, reducing safety hazards associated with extreme temperatures. Despite increased pressure on power grids from rising charging loads and structural disparities, the study highlights the energy-saving and emission-reducing advantages of EVs over traditional fuel vehicles. Overall, the paper offers a systematic approach to address safety concerns related to EVs, providing guidance for their widespread adoption.

Introduction

New energy vehicles offer distinct advantages over traditional vehicles, including low pollution, high energy efficiency, and reduced operating costs. Validating the operational benefits, this study investigates order charging's impact on the power grid. The robust growth of electric vehicles holds significant implications for optimizing industrial structures and fostering sustainable industry development. Addressing current challenges, the state emphasizes research and development in electric vehicle charging, focusing on safety, power supply, and the establishment of an efficient charging safety system. [2]

Moreover, the introduction of the Smart Grid concept targets enhanced reliability and safety of power supply, increased automation in production processes, and the integration of digital devices into daily life, thereby minimizing repair and maintenance costs and reducing overall electricity expenses. Leveraging modern technologies necessitates a transformation in energy market rules and network operation principles. The vision of ubiquitous digitalization aims to create a future power grid and energy market model that aligns with emerging challenges. [1]

In the digital energy ecosystem, producers and consumers seamlessly integrate into a shared infrastructure, exchanging energy and information. This digital energy architecture aligns with global trends, including the creation of information platforms for energy efficiency, cost reduction through digital monitoring, enhanced efficiency in energy production and distribution, and the optimization of systems for increased capacity and better control of power flow.

Network Analysis Of Distribution System

The following metrics were assessed in order to examine how charging stations affect the efficiency of the electric grid:

- Maximum Current in the Line:
  Evaluating the permissible current load is crucial for assessing network performance. The simulation as shown in Fig. 1 revealed that the network could withstand approximately 35 percentage (55 units) of charging stations before exceeding the permissible maximum current value. It's noteworthy that the stations connected at different times and durations, slightly spreading the load in time, contributing to the increased number of simultaneously operational stations.

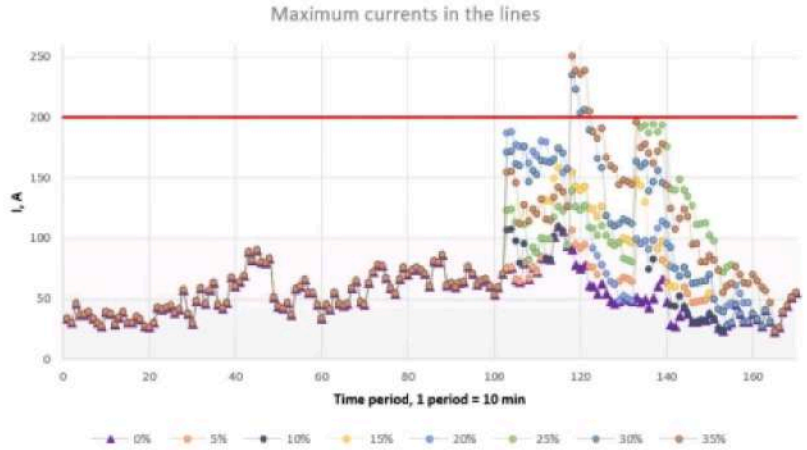

Fig. 1: Graph of Maximum Current in the Network [1]

- The average voltage in the network:
  The average voltage in the network is a critical qualitative measure, with standards specifying a permissible deviation of + -10 percentage. Analysis through graphs as shown in Fig. 2 indicates that even with the operation of 20 percentage of charging stations, the voltage falls below the allowed value. The positive effect of load decomposition in time is evident, although challenges persist.

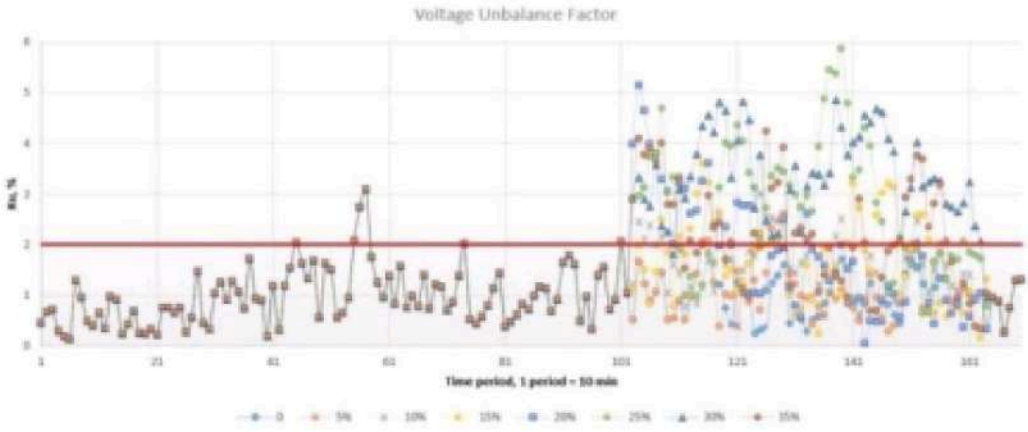

Fig. 2: Graph of average voltage values in the Network [1]

- Coefficient of Voltage Unbalance:
  In the three-phase model, the voltage asymmetry coefficient, reflecting deviations in interphase voltages, is calculated. This asymmetry, observed even with uniform station distribution across phases,

is characterized by the voltage asymmetry coefficient in the reverse sequence (Ku). The formula for Ku is given by:

$$Ku = (U2(1)/U1(1))100$$

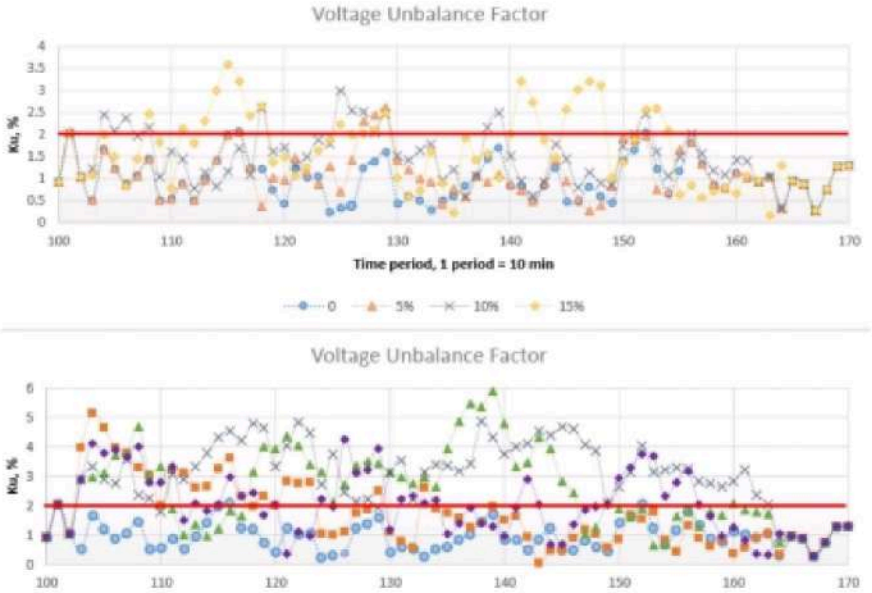

Fig. 3: Graph of voltage unbalance factor [1]

Results reveal that as shown in Fig. 3, without charging stations, the coefficient remains within normal limits. Activation of charging stations sharply increases the coefficient, indicating increased asymmetry. The simultaneous activation of more stations mitigates asymmetry, yet amplifies currents and voltage drop.

- Loss of Active Power in the Network:
  Analyzing the distribution system's operation includes assessing active power loss, regulated by European standards not exceeding 5 percentage of transmitted power. While the number of charging stations provocatively increases power loss, the moment of connection does not influence this parameter as shown in Fig. 4.

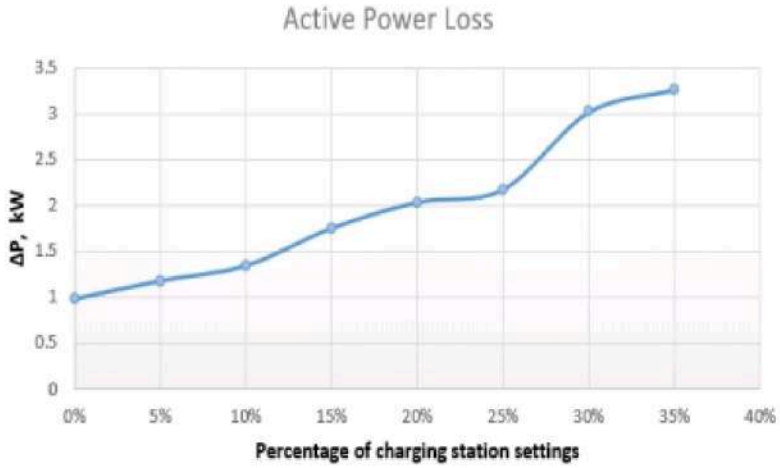

Fig. 4: Dependence of power loss with increasing number of charging stations [1]

Safety Analysis and Electric Modeling of Charging Equipment

Utilizing Schneider Electric's EVlink Wallbox Plus-T2 socket outlet as a reference as shown in Fig. 5, featuring a single-phase, 16A/3.7kW configuration, and leveraging a Nissan Leaf electric car with a 24 kWh battery capacity for charging duration calculations. The charging station model operates as a load within specified time intervals, considering the randomness inherent in parameters such as connection points, charging duration, and connection times. [1]

Fig. 5: EVlink Wallbox [1]

Addressing electric vehicle charging safety from four perspectives - power grid, charging equipment, vehicle, and platform system safety - the paper focuses on the power grid and charging side. Electric vehicle charging impacts power quality, generating harmonics and potential equipment damage, necessitating mitigation strategies. On the charging equipment side, safety concerns include equipment leakage, failure, incompatibility, and electrical measurement discrepancies. Optimizing equipment for efficient and safe charging is emphasized. [2]

Charging vehicle safety aspects involve potential impacts on batteries and battery management systems, encompassing issues like uncontrolled BMS safety protection, poor communication protocol consistency, collision coefficient, and leakage. The paper underscores the need for strategic planning, facility selection, and safety measures to enhance battery safety and collision prevention. The study aims to minimize the adverse effects of electric vehicle charging on the power grid and ensure the safety and efficiency of the charging process.

Research and Analysis on the Improvement of EV Charging

The evaluation index for charging equipment encompasses technical and economic parameters. Technical performance parameters, varying with different charging equipment, include output voltage error, output current error, charging voltage stabilization accuracy, charging current stabilization accuracy, and full load working efficiency. Economic indicators encompass purchase costs, usage and maintenance costs, and overall life cycle costs.

Exploring the safety aspects of electric vehicle charging, the paper focuses on the potential risks associated with overcharging, highlighting the impact on battery materials and the resultant chemical reactions as shown in Fig. 6. It emphasizes the need for a balanced state between electric vehicles and

Fig. 6: Example of Safety in Electric Vehicle Charging [2]

the power grid to ensure charging safety. The charger's input power supply, resistive load connection, and voltage measuring device installation are discussed for proper configuration.

Considering the random and extensive access characteristics of electric vehicles, a hierarchical architecture is proposed for an integrated structure of intelligent charging, charging, and power monitoring. This architecture involves stratifying grid voltage, dividing power supply capacity into different structural levels, and implementing supply in each area based on varying power load. The goal is to handle the future widespread adoption of electric vehicles efficiently.

Large-scale random charging of electric vehicles can strain the power grid, leading to peak loads as shown in Fig. 7. The paper suggests introducing effective charging control strategies to charge electric vehicles during periods of relatively low power grid load, contributing to load curve variance reduction and peak load management.

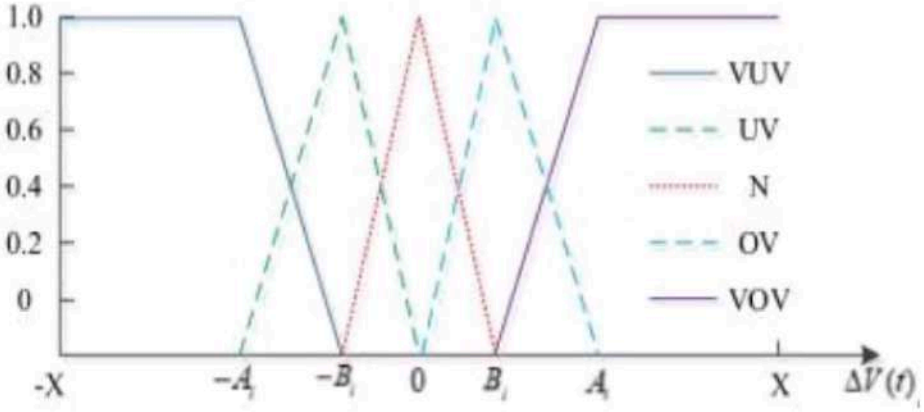

Fig. 7: Relative Variation of Voltage [2]

Additionally, a safety assessment model is introduced to analyze the charge-discharge process of electric vehicles and study the interaction characteristics of power batteries, charge and discharge equipment, and power supply equipment. Fuzzy logic control, employing a reactive power fuzzy control system for distributed power supply, is proposed to adapt to varying voltage scenarios and active power changes, ultimately reducing unnecessary controller actions.

Conclusion

In conclusion, this article highlights the significant impact of charging stations for electric vehicles on low voltage distribution systems, revealing that existing networks fall short of meeting the new criteria set by EU law. The analysis suggests that the maximum acceptable implementation of charging stations should be limited to approximately 30 percentage-35 percentage o'f the total number of consumers to maintain normal network functionality. With projections indicating that 20-30 perecentage of cars will be electric by 2030, distribution companies face the imperative to upgrade networks to accommodate evolving conditions.

Several potential solutions are proposed, including the installation of a control system for charging stations, an increase in the permissible load of electrical equipment, and the incorporation of renewable energy sources with energy storage systems to alleviate peak-hour loads. The most effective approach is seen as a combination of all three solutions, leading to the establishment of a Smart Grid.

The paper emphasizes the importance of addressing safety concerns in the electric vehicle charging process from both the power grid side and the charging equipment side. A comprehensive solution, spanning from the power grid to the electric vehicle and extending to the operation platform, is introduced. The analysis identifies typical charging accidents, providing safety indices for electric vehicles and proposing countermeasures for power grid, equipment, and platform safety.

The suggested solutions aim to create a robust and systematic approach to control the charging safety of electric vehicles, mitigating potential dangers. These countermeasures contribute to the evaluation of the safety index, fault localization, and the establishment of a comprehensive charging safety standard system. Overall, the paper underscores the necessity for integrated and proactive measures to ensure the efficient and safe integration of electric vehicles into existing distribution systems.

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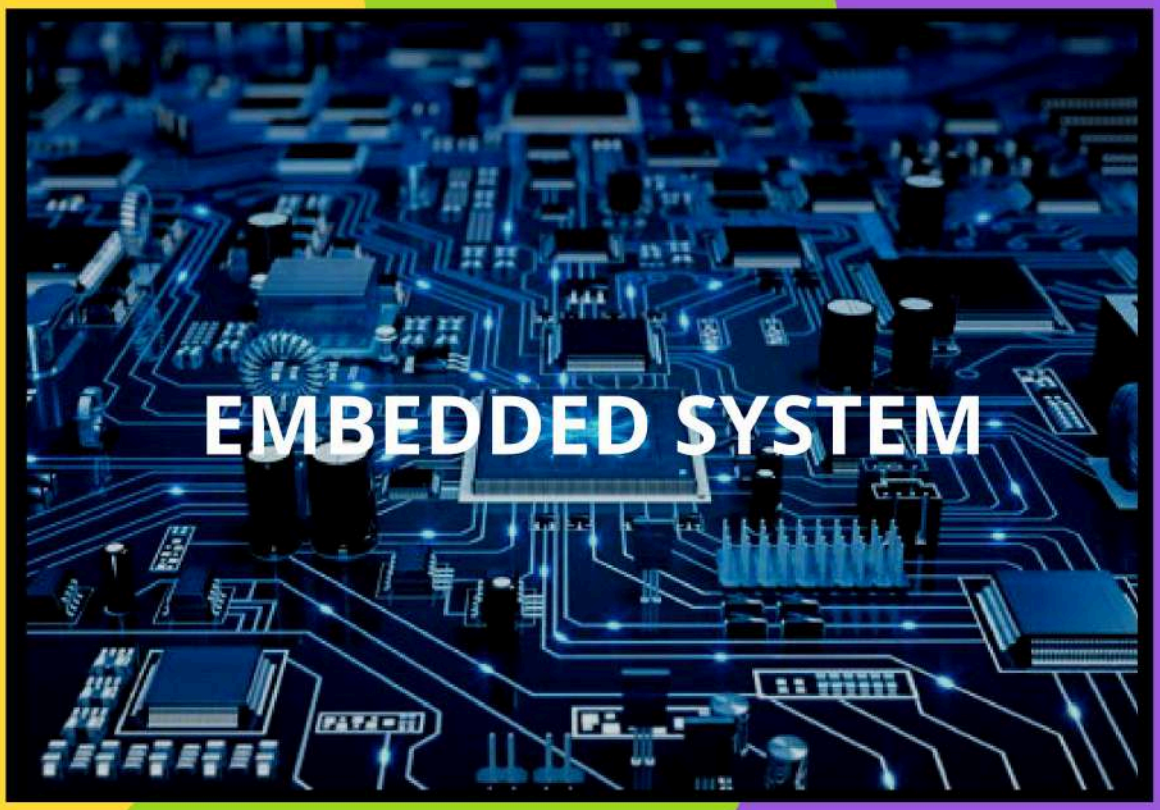
EMBEDDED SYSTEM

LOW-COST 3D SCANNING USING ULTRASONIC AND CAMERA DATA FUSION FOR CNC ENGRAVING LASER-BASED MACHINE

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Abstract

Sensor fusion has become increasingly popular in the realm of 3D scanning in recent times, with various sensors like depth cameras, regular cameras, laser scanners, and ultrasonic sensors being widely employed. While ultrasound sensors have been studied by the robotics community for many years, they have somewhat fallen out of focus with the rise of laser scanners and cameras. However, they still find success in specialized applications due to their robustness and simplicity, especially in scenarios with varying illumination and when working with transparent materials like glass. In our project, we opted for a fusion approach using cameras and ultrasonic sensors for a CNC Engraving Machine due to their cost-effectiveness and practicality. We employed a heuristic and manually crafted fusion method to generate 3D representations of different objects. The camera data was adjusted to match the scale of the ultrasonic data, and through image processing techniques, we combined the images with ultrasonic data to create a primary scheme and a final 3D map.

Introduction

The integration of 3D scanning technologies into CNC engraving laser-based machines is vital for modern manufacturing, enabling precise replication of complex designs across various materials. This review focuses on exploring low-cost 3D scanning methods, specifically the fusion of ultrasonic and camera data, to enhance CNC engraving laser-based machines.

Sensor fusion has become increasingly popular as a means to leverage the strengths of different sensors, enhancing accuracy beyond what individual sensors can achieve. This approach not only addresses sensor weaknesses but also surpasses their individual performance. Various data fusion techniques exist, tailored to the sensors involved and specific application needs.

In this study, we introduce a multi-modal data fusion approach using a hand-crafted methodology for low-cost 3D scanning in CNC engraving. Accurate positioning of pieces within the machine is a primary challenge, especially with laser-based machines where considerations must be made regarding the focal length of the laser lenses. To overcome these challenges, we propose a fusion-based approach integrating cameras and ultrasonic sensors to generate comprehensive 3D maps of surfaces. Ultrasonic sensors are particularly effective for detecting glassy pieces commonly used in engraving and cutting applications[1].

The utility of 3D scanning extends beyond manufacturing, finding applications in robotics, medical imaging, and 3D printing. Despite the dominance of laser scanners and cameras, ultrasonic sensors remain relevant for their robustness and simplicity, especially in scenarios with varying illumination and glassy

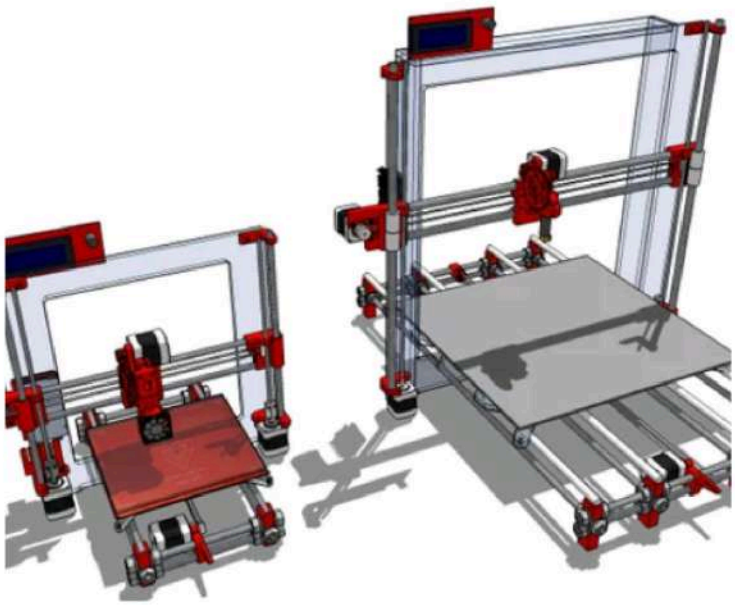

Fig. 1: 3D CNC Printer[2]

surfaces. Therefore, we advocate for a fusion approach using cameras and ultrasonic sensors for CNC engraving machines fig 1, considering their lower cost and practicality.

Our approach employs a heuristic, hand-crafted fusion technique to generate 3D representations of pieces. Additionally, we down-sample camera data to match the ultrasonic data scale and use image processing methods to create primary schemes and final 3D maps.

In conclusion, sensor fusion, particularly combining cameras and ultrasonic sensors, holds promise for enhancing the capabilities of CNC engraving laser-based machines. This approach not only enhances accuracy and efficiency but also paves the way for innovation and advancement in manufacturing technologies.

Block Diagram and Explanation

- Data streams are collected separately from the ultrasonic sensor and camera.
- The ultrasonic sensor captures distance measurements, constituting the ultrasonic data stream.
- The camera captures visual data, forming the camera data stream.
- Both data streams are inputted into a Data Fusion Algorithm.
- The Data Fusion Algorithm integrates the ultrasonic and camera data to produce a unified representation of the object's surface.
- The fusion result encompasses a comprehensive dataset, including both distance measurements and visual information.
- The CNC Engraving Laser-Based Machine receives the fusion result.
- Based on this data, the machine generates an engraving signal.
- The engraving signal dictates the movement and operation of the CNC Engraving Laser-Based Machine.
- Consequently, the machine engraves the desired design onto the object's surface with precision.

The working block diagram fig 2 shows these steps as a flow chart

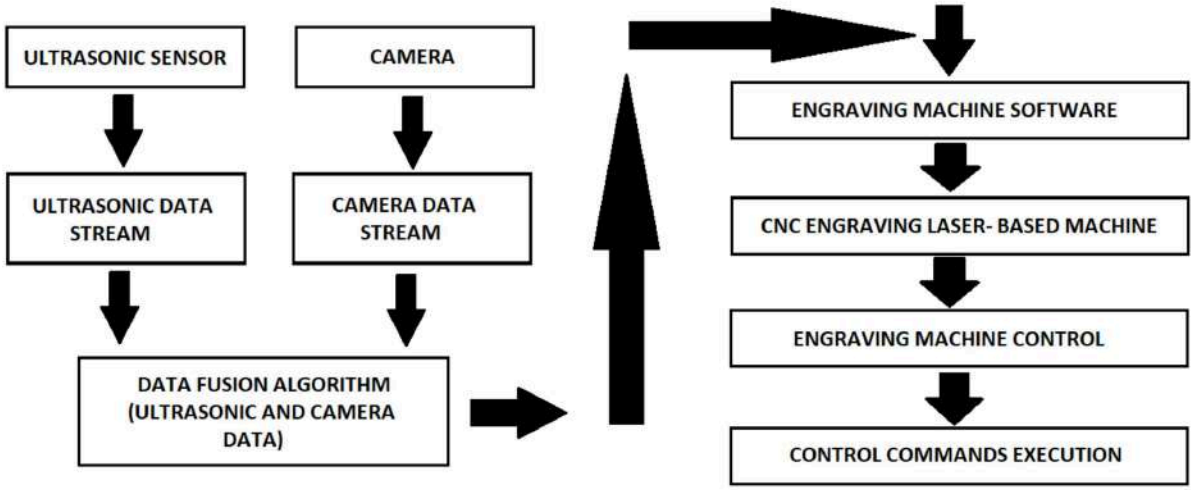

Fig. 2: Working Block Diagram

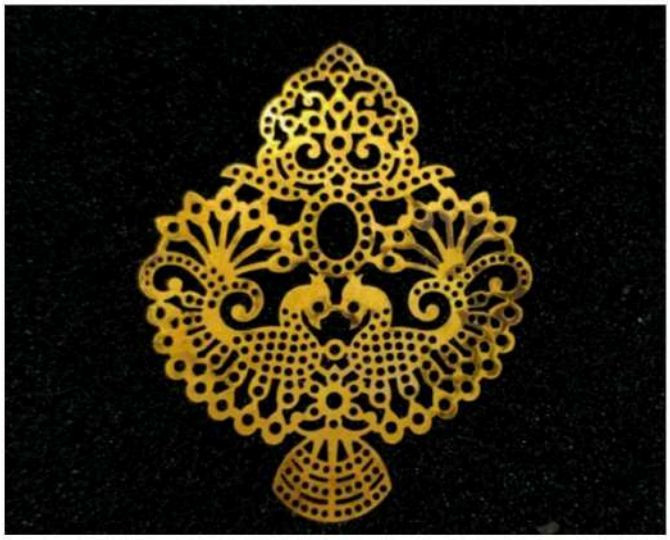

Fig. 3: Jewelry engraving using CNC[3]

Applications

- Jewelry Design: Aid jewelry designers in creating intricate designs and patterns on metal surfaces, adding value to custom jewelry pieces, fig 3.
- Medical Devices: Assist in the production of medical devices by engraving identification marks and serial numbers for traceability and compliance purposes.
- Automotive Industry: Enable engraving of part numbers, labels, and branding elements on automotive components for identification and branding purposes.
- Aerospace Engineering: Support the production of aerospace components by engraving part numbers, specifications, and safety markings on critical parts.
- Prototyping: Quickly develop prototypes of complex designs for assessment and testing before mass production.
- Customization: Adapt designs to meet individual customer preferences, enabling personalized engraving on different materials.
- Quality assurance: Ensure accuracy and precision in engraving by scanning finished products to

Fig. 4: Artistic engraving using CNC[4]

identify any flaws or deviations from the intended design.

- Artistic engraving: Create detailed and elaborate artistic engravings on surfaces like wood, metal, and acrylic for decorative purposes, fig 4.
- Reverse engineering: Digitally capture and reconstruct existing objects for replication or modification, particularly useful in industries such as automotive and aerospace.

Advantage

- Cost-effectiveness: Incorporating ultrasonic and camera data fusion offers a more budget-friendly alternative compared to traditional 3D scanning methods, making it more accessible to a broader spectrum of businesses.
- Increased precision and detail: The fusion of ultrasonic and camera data results in heightened accuracy and finer engraving details, leading to enhanced output quality.
- Improved durability: Integrating ultrasonic and camera data enhances the resilience of the scanning process, ensuring consistent performance across diverse environments and materials.
- Enhanced efficiency: Combining ultrasonic and camera data enables quicker scanning and processing, thereby boosting overall productivity in CNC engraving operations.
- Versatility: This fusion approach provides flexibility in scanning various objects and surfaces, expanding the range of applications for CNC engraving.

Disadvantages

- Restricted scanning range: Ultrasonic sensors may have a limited reach compared to alternative scanning methods, thereby constraining the size of objects suitable for thorough scanning.
- Complicated calibration process: The fusion of ultrasonic and camera data necessitates meticulous calibration, a task that can be intricate and time-consuming, particularly for individuals lacking experience.
- Vulnerability to environmental influences: Ultrasonic sensors are susceptible to environmental variables such as temperature, humidity, and background noise, which can introduce inaccuracies into the scanning procedure.

- Challenges in data integration: Integrating data from ultrasonic and camera sensors demands sophisticated algorithms and software solutions, potentially presenting difficulties in terms of compatibility and integration with existing CNC engraving setups.
- Limited precision: Despite being cost-effective, the resolution achieved through ultrasonic and camera data fusion may not reach the level of more expensive 3D scanning technologies, resulting in diminished detail and accuracy in the scanned results.

Conclusion

We introduced an economical solution using basic sensor fusion to address location identification challenges in CNC laser-based engraving machines. While our method produces a reasonable 3D map, it may lack precision for delicate tasks, yet it provides sufficient data for standard engraving jobs. Additionally, its cost-effectiveness makes it a logical choice, delivering significant results with minimal expenses.The integration of low-cost 3D scanning through ultrasonic and camera data fusion for CNC Engraving Laser-Based Machines represents a revolutionary approach to precision manufacturing. This merging of ultrasonic distance measurements and visual data from cameras holds great promise for enhancing the accuracy, accessibility, and versatility of CNC engraving processes. Looking ahead, the future of low-cost 3D scanning using ultrasonic and camera data fusion for CNC Engraving Laser-Based Machines is marked by ongoing innovation, cost-effectiveness, and widespread availability. Advances in resolution, accuracy, adaptive systems, and integration with Industry 4.0 will collectively shape a landscape where precision manufacturing becomes more efficient, adaptable, and tailored to the evolving needs of industries and consumers.

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Development and Investigation of a Cost-Effective Multilayer PCB Manufacturing System for Flip-Chip Mounting of Microwave Chips

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Abstract

The study describes a revolutionary method to PCB production that combines cutting-edge multilayer PCB manufacturing processes optimised for high-frequency chip applications with an affordable, precise CNC machine built for PCB prototyping. This CNC machine is unique in that it can precisely engrave circuit layouts onto copper plates thanks to its electro-mechanical design and user-friendly interface [2]. G-code, which is produced from common PCB design tools and ensures interoperability and user-friendliness, powers the machine. Alongside this prototyping technology, the study presents a sophisticated technique for producing multilayer printed circuit boards. Thin copper foil is mechanically milled in this method to provide free spaces inside the PCB's inner layers that are ideal for attaching high-frequency circuits. The overall board integrity and soldering quality are improved by using RO4450B prepreg as the dielectric layer and electrodeposited gold on the inner layers [1]. This integrated approach to PCB manufacture is very effective and versatile, meeting the needs of both industrial applications and academic research. It also improves the efficiency and precision of making multilayer PCBs with specialised sections for component mounting. The combination of these technologies offers a creative and workable answer to the ever-changing needs of contemporary electronics manufacturing, marking a substantial advancement in the industry.

Introduction

This research investigates a novel approach to printed circuit board (PCB) production that combines the fabrication of precise PCB prototype tools at an inexpensive price with the drilling of holes in printed circuit boards. The top layer of the board is milled in order to create cavities in PCBs. This milling process is essential for enhancing the PCBs' electrical properties, such as lowering capacitive and inductive effects, and it also helps to make the devices smaller and lighter overall. After that, copper foil is applied to the milled portions and secured to the board with several prepreg layers. The precise specifications of the PCB design are met by the prepreg type that is utilized, which is carefully chosen based on its electrical qualities and thickness. Compared to other more complex and expensive processes like laser ablation, this cavity creation method is more accessible and cost-effective[1].

Parallel to this sophisticated production method, the paper presents a low-cost, easily operated CNC machine that is a perfect tool for PCB prototyping, particularly in educational and individual user environ-

Fig. 1: CNC Machine [2]

ments. Such a PCB machine is shown in fig 1. The CNC machine uses G-code produced by common PCB design software to precisely carve circuit layouts onto PCBs and other materials.Notable for its precision, it can complete jobs with approximately 92 percentage accuracy, which is very useful for large and detailed PCB designs. A broader spectrum of users, including those who might not have much experience in PCB manufacture, can utilize the machine because to its easy-to-use interface[2].

The combination of these two strategies—the novel way of making holes in PCBs and the creation of a reasonably priced, accurate CNC machine—addresses the requirement for both sophisticated PCB manufacturing processes and the availability of precise prototyping tools. In the electronics sector, where there is a rising need for advanced PCBs that can be manufactured successfully and economically, this integrated approach is very beneficial. This work makes a substantial contribution by offering a solution that meets these needs.

Block Diagram

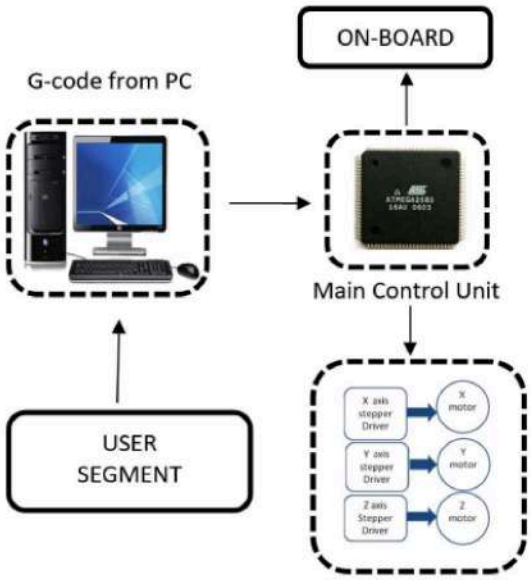

Fig. 2: Block Diagram [2]

With a PCB prototype machine, customers can use any common PCB designing software to create the circuit of their choice. Standard G-code commands were utilized to interface the stepper motor with microcontrollers like Arduino. The software that runs on the on-board computer that serves as the milling machine's operator first converts the G-codes before the machine executes them into machine-specific instructions. These are shown in fig 2 which is the block diagram. The controllers, which manage the stepper motors' motion and drive the motor in the designated x, y, and z directions, get instructions from the software. Figure 1 shows the entire design of the system [2].

Three components make up the entire system: mechanical design, electronics, and software. The software is utilized in the software section to interface the direction in which the stepper motor should move. The x, y, and z axes are where the mechanical and electronic components are positioned for the movements.

Design

The purpose of this construction is to create a circuit board with microstrips that resemble coaxial cables in shape when the dielectric layer is hidden behind the microstrip. When there is identical space between the microstrip and side screen layers as there is between the microstrip and top and bottom screen layers, this situation is realized.

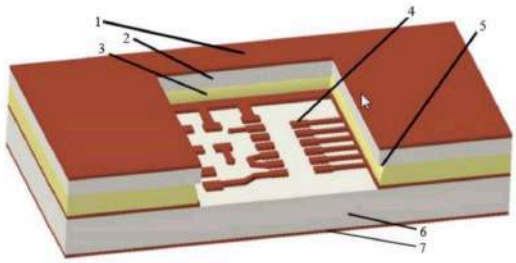

Fig. 3: Schematic view of cavity with prepreg milling gap: (1) – top copper layer; (2) – dielectric; (3) – leaked prepreg; (4) – component contacts; (5) – prepreg gap; (6) – bottom prepreg; (7) – bottom copper layer [1]

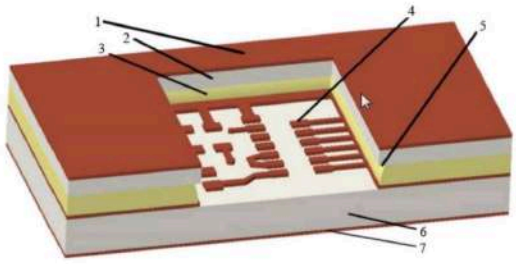

Fig. 4: Schematic view of cavity without prepreg milling gap: (1) – top copper layer; (2) – dielectric; (3) – leaked prepreg; (4) – component contacts; (5) – prepreg gap; (6) – bottom prepreg; (7) – bottom copper layer [1]

As in fig 3 and 4, the printed circuit board's design specifications considered in this work place a stringent requirement on the outer conductive lines' symmetry with respect to the inner conductor, which calls for the dielectric thickness to be the same in the inner, upper, and lower layers. After listing all of

the possibilities, it was discovered that utilizing the RO4450B prepreg as the most straightforward way to meet this need the conducting substance, copper foil that is either 18 or 35 micro meter thick, and the dielectric [1].

Advantages

The integrated CNC machine and multilayer PCB manufacturing technology have the following benefits:

- **Accuracy and Precision**: High precision engraving of circuit layouts is guaranteed by the CNC machine, which is crucial for intricate PCB designs, particularly for high-frequency applications.
- **Economic Viability**: Because the CNC machine is reasonably priced, smaller enterprises and educational institutions can now afford to use modern PCB prototyping.
- **Advanced Manufacturing Capabilities**: Superior materials like RO4450B prepreg and electrodeposited gold, when paired with mechanical milling to generate open spaces for chip mounting, result in the creation of complex multilayer PCBs.
- **Improved Electrical Performance**: By eliminating capacitive and inductive effects and reducing size and weight, open spaces in PCBs can improve electrical characteristics.
- **User-Friendly Interface**: The design of the system is user-friendly and suitable for users with different skill levels, making it useful in educational environments and making the prototyping process easier.
- **Versatility**: Adaptable to a variety of materials and designs, and compatible with standard PCB design software.
- **Decreased Waste and Error**: Precision manufacturing lowers the possibility of mistakes, which results in less rework and material waste.

Disadvantages

Disadvantages of the Integrated CNC Machine and Multilayer PCB Manufacturing Technology:

- **Restricted Manufacturing Volume**: The technology might not be appropriate for large-scale manufacturing, even though it works well for prototype and small-scale production.
- **Technological Complexity**: To function properly, the integration of several cutting-edge technologies may call for specific knowledge or training.
- **First Space and Expense of Setup**: Long-term cost-effectiveness notwithstanding, the CNC machine's startup cost and operating space requirements may be high.
- **Maintenance and Upkeep**: To keep sophisticated machinery and equipment operating at peak efficiency, they may need to undergo routine maintenance and maybe updates.

- **Restrictions on Materials**: Depending on the kind and caliber of materials employed, the CNC machine's efficacy may change, which could restrict its versatility.

- **Software Compatibility Requirement**: Reliance on a particular design program for the creation of G-code may restrict design options or require the acquisition of extra software.

- **Technological Obsolescence**: Quick technological progress could make the system antiquated, necessitating modifications or replacements before anticipated.

- **Safety Concerns**: Using CNC technology entails hazards to one's safety, necessitating the use of the proper precautions and training.

Application

There are numerous uses for combining cutting-edge multilayer PCB fabrication technology with an affordable CNC machine in both academic and commercial contexts:

- **Manufacturing of High-frequency Electronics**: Perfect for making printed circuit boards (PCBs) for high-frequency devices like radar units, microwave communication systems, and wireless networking equipment.

- **Educational and Research Institutions**: Beneficial for student projects and research in electronics and electrical engineering, as well as for teaching PCB design and production procedures in academic contexts.

- **Prototyping and Product Development**: Enables new electronic devices to be tested and prototyped quickly, allowing for speedy design iterations and improvements.

- **Customized Electronic Components**: Allows the manufacture of PCBs with specific uses in mind, like unique consumer electronics or bespoke electronic components for specialized industrial machines.

- **Medical Device Manufacturing** : Suitable for producing printed circuit boards (PCBs) for medical devices, particularly those that need to be small and have precise electrical functions, such diagnostic tools and wearable health monitors.

- **Aerospace and Defense Industries**: This applies to the manufacturing of printed circuit boards (PCBs) for these industries, where dependability and high frequency operation are essential.

- **Telecommunications Equipment**: Beneficial for producing printed circuit boards (PCBs) for base stations, routers, and other communication equipment.

- **Automotive Electronics**: Capable of producing printed circuit boards (PCBs) for automotive applications, especially in sophisticated systems like sensors, navigation systems, and autonomous driving technologies.

- **Consumer Electronics**: Suitable for creating printed circuit boards (PCBs) for consumer electronics such as tablets, cellphones, and other personal gadgets that need small, powerful electronics.

- **Internet of Things (IoT) Devices**: Fit for fabricating printed circuit boards (PCBs) for IoT devices, which frequently need small form factor and effective high-frequency operation for wireless connectivity.

Conclusion

This project, which primarily targets the high-frequency chip mounting industry, successfully illustrates the potential advantages of combining an affordable and user-friendly CNC machine with advanced PCB production procedures. Accurate circuit layout creation on PCBs is made much easier by the CNC machine, which is effectively run by NEMA stepper motors and an Arduino Nano. PCB prototyping can be done more efficiently because to this integration, which is especially helpful in educational and small-scale industrial contexts. The report does, however, also point out several shortcomings in the manufacturing techniques used today. Reaching the necessary electrical homogeneity and signal bandwidth that contemporary high-frequency devices require is one of the main obstacles faced. These problems are crucial because they have an immediate effect on the chips' dependability and performance in practical applications.

The paper makes the case for the necessity of more technology advancements to address these issues. Reducing the gaps in the PCB architecture and hence raising the package density is one suggested remedy. This modification may result in more efficient and smaller designs, which are becoming more and more crucial in the rapidly changing electronics sector. The study also suggests investigating the usage of premium microwave laminates as a substitute for the dielectric materials that are already in use. These materials may have superior performance qualities, especially when it comes to electrical insulation and mechanical stability—two essentials for high-frequency applications.

The research highlights the feasibility of producing multilayer PCBs with the suggested topology in spite of these obstacles. It points out important areas that need to be addressed in next research projects in order to maximise the technology for further uses. By identifying these areas, the study provides a clear roadmap for further research and development with the goal of improving this technology's overall efficacy in both academic research settings and the commercial electronics industry. This development could have a major impact on how electronic devices are designed and manufactured, especially those that need high-frequency chip installation. This would advance the field of electronics manufacturing technology.

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SENSORS ON 3D DIGITALIZATION

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Abstract

Digital 3D imaging stands poised to leverage the ongoing advancements in VLSI (Very Large Scale Integration) technology, significantly expediting its integration into various domains such as visual communication and industrial automation. Through the utilization of laser-based vision systems, the acquisition of high-resolution 3D images becomes feasible, offering numerous advantages.

One notable benefit is the enhanced robustness to background illumination and surface texture variations. Unlike conventional imaging methods, laser-based systems excel in capturing 3D information even in challenging lighting conditions or on surfaces with complex textures. This capability ensures consistent and reliable image quality across diverse environments.

Moreover, digital 3D imaging facilitates the generation of comprehensive images of visible surfaces, including those perceived as featureless to the human eye or conventional video cameras. By accurately capturing subtle details and dimensions, these imaging systems unlock insights that might otherwise remain undetectable, driving advancements in fields such as material science, archaeology, and medical imaging.

Looking ahead, the evolution of intelligent digitizers holds immense promise. These sophisticated devices are on the horizon of being capable of simultaneously measuring both color and 3D information with remarkable accuracy. This convergence of capabilities not only streamlines data acquisition processes but also opens new avenues for innovative applications across a spectrum of industries.

Introduction

Digital 3D imaging stands at the forefront of various industries, benefiting from continuous advancements in VLSI (Very Large Scale Integration) technology. These advancements are pivotal for accelerating development in fields such as visual communication and industrial automation.

One of the key advantages of digital 3D imaging lies in its ability to capture high-resolution images through laser-based vision systems. Unlike traditional methods, laser-based systems offer advantages such as reduced sensitivity to background illumination and surface texture variations. This means that even surfaces that appear featureless to the human eye or standard video cameras can be accurately captured and rendered in complete 3D detail.

As technology progresses, intelligent digitizers are poised to revolutionize the field further. These sophisticated devices will possess the capability to accurately measure both color and 3D information simultaneously. This simultaneous data acquisition not only enhances the efficiency of imaging processes but also opens up new possibilities for applications across various domains.

In visual communication, the ability to capture high-resolution, detailed 3D images allows for more immersive experiences in virtual reality, augmented reality, and gaming. These technologies rely heavily on realistic rendering, which is greatly facilitated by advancements in digital 3D imaging.

In industrial automation, precise 3D imaging plays a crucial role in tasks such as quality control, object recognition, and robotic navigation. By leveraging laser-based vision systems and intelligent digitizers, manufacturers can enhance efficiency, accuracy, and safety in their production processes.

Overall, the synergy between digital 3D imaging and VLSI technology holds immense promise for revolutionizing numerous fields, driving innovation, and unlocking new possibilities for applications that demand high-quality, detailed 3D information.

Colour 3D Imaging Technology

Machine vision involves the analysis of the properties of the luminous flux reflected or radiated by objects. To recover the geometrical structures of these objects, either to recognize or to measure their dimension, two basic vision strategies are available. Passive vision, attempts to analyze the structure of the scene under ambient light. Stereoscopic vision is a passive optical technique. The basic idea is that two or more digital images are taken from known locations. The images are then processed to find the correlations between them. As soon as matching points are identified, the geometry can be computed. Active vision attempts to reduce the ambiguity of scene analysis by structuring the way in which images are formed. Sensors that capitalize on active vision can resolve most of the ambiguities found with two-dimensional imaging systems. LIDAR based or triangulation-based laser range cameras are examples of active vision technique. One digital 3D imaging system based on optical triangulation were developed and demonstrated.

Autosynchronized Scanner

The auto-synchronized scanner, depicted schematically on Figure 1, can provide registered range and color data of visible surfaces. A 3D surface map is captured by scanning a laser spot onto a scene, collecting the reflected laser light, and finally focusing the beam onto a linear laser spot sensor. Geometric and photometric corrections of the raw data give two mages in perfect registration: one with x, y, z co-ordinates and a second with reflectance data. The laser beam composed of multiple visible wavelengths is used for the purpose of measuring the color map of a scene (reflectance map). Figure shows us an auto synchronized scanner

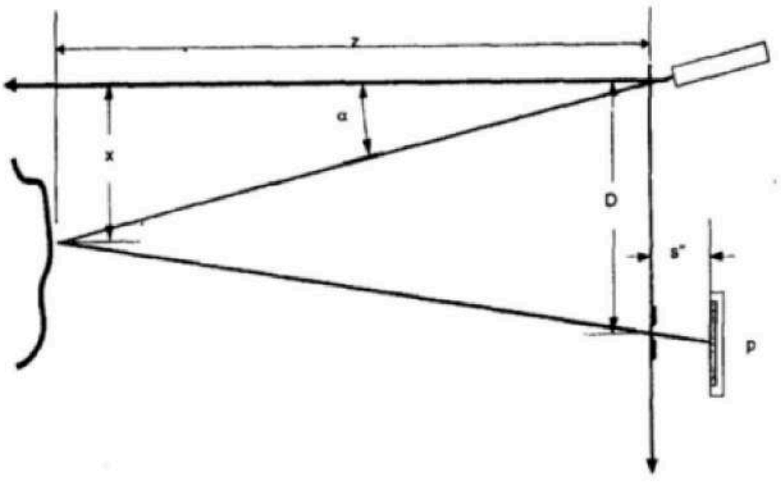

Fig. 1: Autosynchronized Scanner

Sensors for 3D Imaging

The sensors used in the auto synchronized scanner are described below

- Synchronization Circuit Based upon Dual Photocells: This sensor ensures the stability and the repeatability of range measurements in environment with varying temperature. Discrete implementations of the so-called synchronization circuits have posed many problems in the past. A monolithic version of an improved circuit has been built to alleviate those problems.
- Laser Spot Position Measurement Sensors: High-resolution 3D images can be acquired using laser-based vision systems. With this approach, the 3D information becomes relatively insensitive to background illumination and surface texture. Complete images of visible surfaces that are rather featureless to the human eye or a video camera can be generated.
- Position Sensitive Detectors: Many devices have been built or considered in the past for measuring the position of a laser spot more efficiently. One method of position detection uses a video camera to capture an image of an object electronically. Image processing techniques are then used to determine the location of the object. For situations requiring the location of a light source on a plane, a position sensitive detector (PSD) offers the potential for better resolution at a lower system cost. The PSD is a precision semiconductor optical sensor which produces output currents related to the "centre of mass" of light incident on the surface of the device. While several design variations exist for PSDs, the basic device can be described as a large area silicon p-i-n photodetector. The detectors can be available in single axis and dual axis models.
- Dual Axis PSD: This particular PSD is a five terminal device bounded by four collection surfaces; one terminal is connected to each collection surface and one provides a common return. Photocurrent is generated by light which falls on the active area of the PSD will be collected by these four perimeter electrodes. The amount of current flowing between each perimeter terminal and the common return is related to the proximity of the centre of mass of the incident light spot to each collection surface. The difference between the "up" current and the "down" current is proportional to the Y-axis position of the light spot. Similarly, the "right "current minus the "left" current gives the X-axis position. The designations "up"," down", "right" and 'left" are arbitrary; the device may be operated in any relative spatial orientation. A typical Dual Axis PSD is shown in Figure 2.

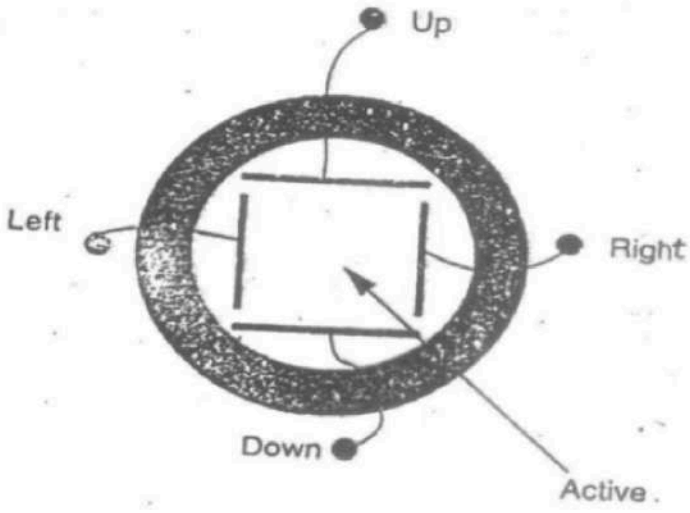

Fig. 2: Dual Axis PSD

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Laser Sensors for 3D Imaging

The state of the art in laser spot position sensing methods can be divided into two broad classes according to the way the spot position is sensed. Among those, one finds continuous response position sensitive detectors (CRPSD) and discrete response position sensitive detectors (DRPSD).

- Continuous Response Position Sensitive Detectors(CRPSD):
  The category CRPSD includes lateral effect photodiode.

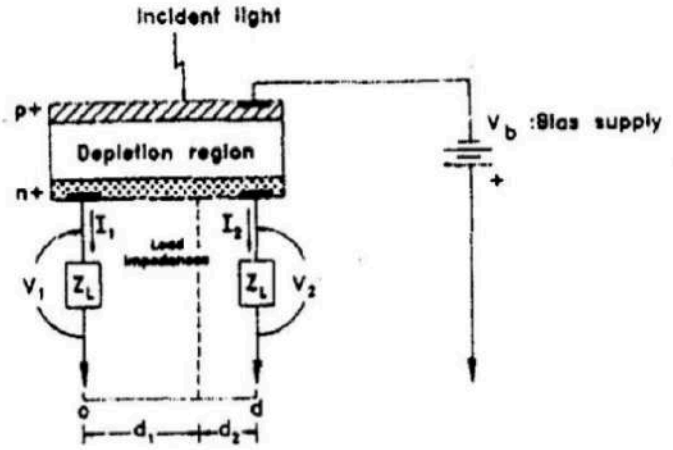

Fig. 3: Basic structure of a single-axis lateral effect photodiode

Figure 3 illustrates the basic structure of a p-n type single axis lateral effect photodiode. Carriers are produced by light impinging on the device are separated in the depletion region and distributed to the two sensing electrodes according to the Ohm's law. Assuming equal impedances, the electrode that is the farthest from the centroid of the light distribution collects the least current. The normalized position of the centroid when the light intensity fluctuates is given by P =I2-I1/I1+I2

- Discrete Response Position Sensitive Detectors(DRPSD):
  Discrete Response Position Sensitive Detectors (DRPSD) are specialized sensors used for detecting and measuring the position of incident radiation or particles. Unlike traditional position-sensitive detectors that provide continuous spatial information, DRPSDs offer discrete output signals corresponding to specific regions or segments on the detector surface.
  These detectors are commonly used in various scientific, industrial, and medical applications where precise spatial localization is crucial. They work based on the principle of dividing the detector surface into discrete elements or segments, each of which generates a signal when activated by incident radiation or particles.
  DRPSDs find applications in fields such as radiation monitoring, particle physics experiments, imaging systems, and semiconductor inspection. Their discrete response allows for precise localization of events or interactions, enabling accurate measurement and analysis of spatial distributions.
  Overall, DRPSDs play a vital role in modern sensing and detection technologies, offering enhanced spatial resolution and accuracy for a wide range of applications.

Applications

- Intelligent digitizers will be capable of measuring accurately and simultaneously color and 3D.

- For the development of hand –held 3D cameras.
- Multi resolution random access laser scanners for fast search and tracking of 3D features.

Advantages

- Triangulation is the most precise method of 3D.
- Reduced size and cost.
- Better resolution at a lower system cost.
- High reliability that is required for high accuracy 3D vision systems.
- Complete images of visible surfaces that are rather featureless to the human eye or a video camera can be generated.

Disadvantages

- The elimination of all stray light in an optical system requires sophisticated techniques.
- Increasing the accuracy increases the triangulation distance. The larger the triangulation distance, the more shadows appear on the scanning object and the scanning head must be made larger.

Conclusion

The results obtained so far have shown that optical sensors have reached a high level of development and reliability those are suited for high accuracy 3D vision systems. The availability of standard fabrication technologies and the acquired know-how in the design techniques, allow the implementation of optical sensors that are application specific: Opto-ASICs. The trend shows that the use of the low-cost CMOS technology leads competitive optical sensors. Furthermore, post-processing modules, as for example anti reflecting coating film deposition and RGB filter deposition to enhance sensitivity and for color sensing, are at the final certification stage and will soon be available in standard fabrication technologies. The work on the Colo range is being finalized and work has started on a new improved architecture.

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SMART WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM USING VARIOUS TECHNOLOGIES

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Abstract

The integrated smart waste management system presented in this paper optimises waste collection, sorting, recycling, and disposal processes by utilising a range of state-of-the-art technologies. The system incorporates Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tags for waste inventory tracking and management, Internet of Things (IoT) sensors for real-time waste fill level monitoring, and GPS for effective route planning and vehicle tracking. In order to anticipate waste generation patterns and analyse historical data, big data analytics and machine learning algorithms are used. This allows for proactive resource scheduling and allocation. Furthermore, the waste management chain benefits from increased accountability and traceability due to the utilisation of blockchain technology in generating transparent and unchangeable records of waste transactions. Mobile applications make it easier for citizens to report waste-related issues and give them real-time information on waste collection schedules. For added sustainability and to reduce its negative effects on the environment, the system also uses renewable energy sources. When compared to conventional waste management techniques, the suggested smart waste management system offers notable gains in efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and environmental sustainability thanks to the integration of these technologies.

Keywords: Smart waste management, Internet of Things (IoT), RFID, GPS, big data analytics, machine learning, blockchain, renewable energy, sustainability, efficiency.

Introduction

Waste management is a challenge for modern cities as it impacts on environmental sustainability and on the level of quality perceived by citizens. Phenomena such as urbanization, industrialization and economic growth have resulted in increased solid waste generation per person. For this reason, waste management is one of the hardest challenges that modern cities have to face. Waste management includes several processes such as collection, transport, processing, disposal, management and monitoring of waste materials. These processes cost a considerable amount of money, time and work. This need perfectly fits with the modern concept of smart city, which is an urban area that uses different types of electronic data collection sensors to supply information useful to efficiently manage assets and resources. This includes data collected from citizens, devices, and assets that is processed and analyzed to monitor and manage traffic and transportation systems, power plants, water supply networks, waste management, information systems, hospitals, and other community service.

A waste management system is a comprehensive approach to handle, collect, transport, and dispose of or recycle waste materials efficiently. It involves various processes, including segregation, recycling, and proper disposal, to minimize environmental impact and promote sustainability. Effective waste management is crucial for maintaining environmental health and reducing the negative effects of improper waste disposal. As societies grapple with increasing waste generation, innovative technologies play a pivotal role

in sustainable waste management. From traditional methods to cutting-edge solutions, these technologies address challenges in collection, recycling, and disposal. This introduction explores the diverse range of technologies shaping modern waste management practices, promoting environmental stewardship and resource conservation.

Primarily introducing three technologies in this paper: machine learning, cloud services, IoT, and deep learning based on waste management systems.

Smart Waste Management: CNN with TensorFlow Lite and LoRa-GPS

Since cities are producing enormous amounts of waste due to rapid population develop- ment, waste management systems in urban areas are encountering issues [5]. The combination of the internet of things (IoT) with deep learning model allows for the efficient use of resources, as traditional waste management systems are quite expensive and inefficient. The major goal of this research is to use deep learning to design a smart waste manage- ment system that enhances trash segregation and allows bin status to be monitored in an Internet of Things environment. For garbage classification and categorization, the SSD MobileNetV2 Quantized is utilised and trained on a dataset consisting of paper, card- board, glass, metal, and plastic. By combining TensorFlow Lite and Raspberry Pi with the learned model.

- **IoT** : The rapid development of the digital world brings a massive impact on technical developments, especially by allowing intelligence to be integrated into the existing technologies , which is also called the Internet of Things (IoT). The technologies combined with IoT lead the further development of various fields, such as engineering, to an entirely new perspective [1]. There are roughly 127 devices connected to the internet every second, which is equivalent to 328 million devices connected per month . The expected IoT market in 2023 will achieve 1.1 trillion . Such statistics have shown the imperative role of IoT in the modern world. IoT enables the control of things in the real world and informs things by unifying everything in the real world under a common infrastructure. With the help of IoT, the current waste management system can be improved in many aspects such as cost of resources, user-friendly, easy to be managed, reduce the waste to be disposed of by recycling them. Hence, the waste management system integrated with IoT has developed in the last decade.
- **Deep Learning:CNN** : Deep learning enables multiple layers of processing in computational models to understand a data presentation with multiple layers of abstraction. These technologies help us to build cutting-edge technology in fields such as voice recognition, visual objects, drug discovery and genomics in numerous different fields. There is a class of deep learning called convolutional neural network (CNN) which is applied mainly for image processing, object recognition and so on. The integration of CNN in a smart waste management system can highly improve the performance of waste classification and categorize them correctly, saving resources and reducing the waste generated in the world.
- **Object Detection Model**:For use on a low power mobile platform, TensorFlow Lite is preferred over TensorFlow. This is because the majority of TensorFlow-trained models needed a strong GPU in order to detect objects. Nevertheless, the creation of a smart bin is exempt from the need for a strong GPU. The object detection models can be utilised on low-power mobile devices like Raspberry Pi thanks to TensorFlow Lite. Tensorflow provides the COCO dataset with multiple pre-trained detection models [39]. Selecting the best object detection model requires taking into account a number of requirements. SSD MobileNetV Quantized 300×300, a COCO-trained model available in TensorFlow, is the selected object detection model. Known by its other name, SSD, Single Shot MultiBox Detector is specifically made for real-time object detection, which operates far more quickly and uses less CPU power.The SSD MobileNet model's architecture is depicted in below Figure 1.
- **LoRa Technology**:LoRa (Long Range) technology has emerged as a transformative solution in smart waste management systems. Leveraging its extended communication range and low power consumption, LoRa enables efficient real-time tracking and monitoring of waste bins. This intro-

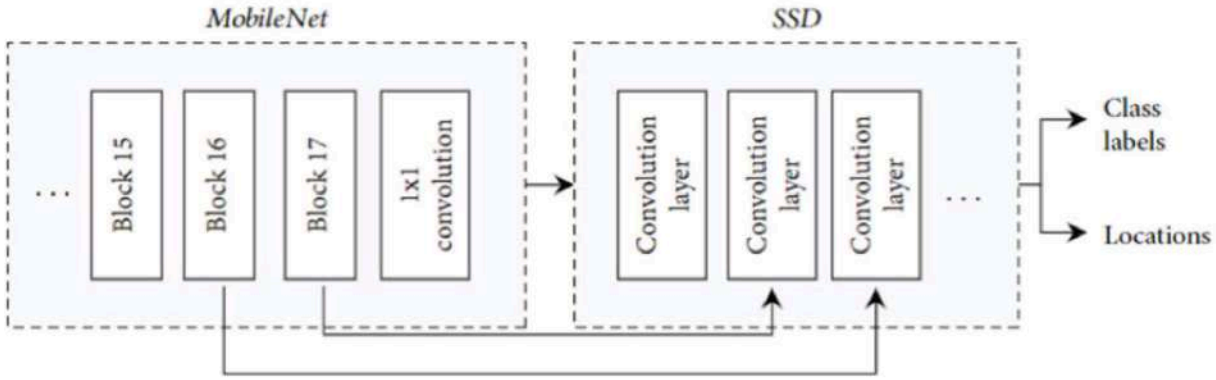

Fig. 1: Architecture of SSD MobileNet model [6]

duction explores the application of LoRa technology, enhancing connectivity, and optimizing data transmission to create a more effective and streamlined smart waste management infrastructure.

The smart waste management system that classifies and detects various waste types, then allocates each type of waste to a designated compartment.The system has been equipped with the SSD MobileNetV2 in order to facilitate detection. Additionally, the system incorporates an IoT-based sensor network and a LoRa-GPS module to efficiently locate bins and transmit bin status information over extended distances.

The comprehensive analysis of the outcomes acquired from the suggested system, encompassing the precision of the CNN-based object identification model, the functionality of the LoRa communication module, and the efficacy of the RFID-based locker system. The findings demonstrate that waste can be reliably classified and categorised into the appropriate waste compartments using the suggested system at a precision rate that is acceptable and with a low interference time. Large metropolitan areas can use the LoRa communication module because it can send the bin's status to the LoRa receiver up to one kilometre away. The smart bin's electronic components can be shielded from unwanted access by the RFID-based locker system. A comparison of the suggested system with current waste management systems is also included in the discussion, highlighting the benefits and drawbacks of the proposed system. Overall, the findings and discussion offer insightful information about the efficacy and promise of the suggested approach for enhancing urban waste management. The prototype bin measures 0.50 metres in length, 0.50 metres in width, and 1.20 metres in height. It is constructed of acrylic plastic. The front and top views of the smart bin are shown in Figures respectively, labelled with the contents of each compartment, the location of temporary waste, and the electronic components that are involved. The electronic components utilised in the waste classification and categorization system are shown in Figure 2 .

The results of the proposed system show that it can accurately classify and categorize waste into the respective waste compartments with an acceptable precision rate and low interference time. The LoRa communication module can transmit the status of the bin to the LoRa receiver at a distance of up to 1 km, making it suitable for use in large urban areas. The RFID-based locker system can protect the electronic components of the smart bin from unauthorized access. The discussion also includes a comparison of the proposed system with existing waste management systems, highlighting the advantages and limitations of the proposed system. Overall, the proposed system is efficient, costeffective, and sustainable, and has the potential to improve waste management in urban areas.

An Automated Machine Learning Approach for Smart Waste Management System

The application of automated machine learning in a real Smart Waste Management system, focusing

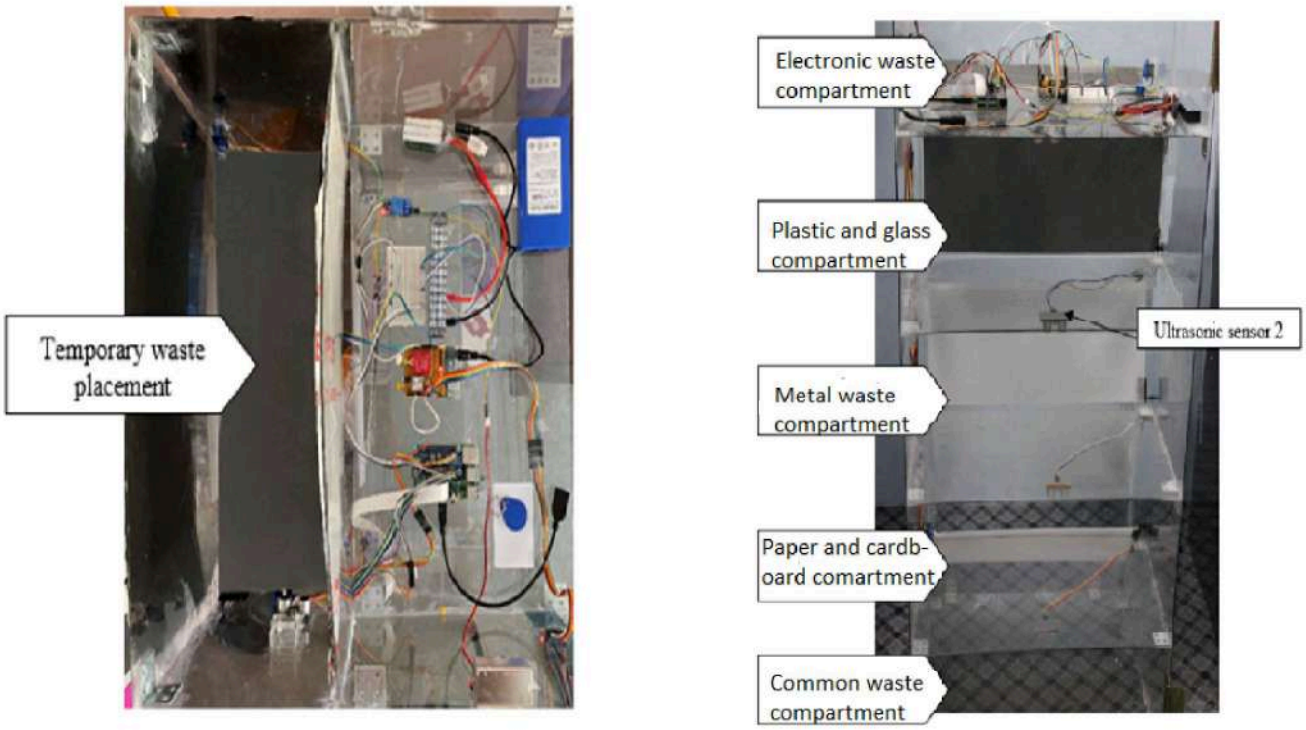

Fig. 2: Smart bin prototype [6]

on binary classification for detecting recycling container emptying. By leveraging machine learning, particularly a Random Forest classifier on engineered features, the study achieves a significant improvement in accuracy and recall, from 86.8% to 99.1% and 47.9% to 98.2%, respectively. The approach not only enhances classification but also improves forecasts for emptying times, showcasing the practical value of automated machine learning in optimizing waste management systems.

This paper focuses on improving emptying detection in a Smart Waste Management system, specifically the Smart Recycling system. The existing manually engineered model, based on threshold-based approaches using ultrasonic sensors and accelerometers, faces practical limitations leading to false detections. The proposed solution advocates for a data-driven approach, utilizing a dataset acquired during implementation, to overcome these limitations. The paper underscores the importance of precise emptying detection for accurate predictions, emphasizing the need to enhance the efficiency of the system and optimize waste transportation.

Methods

- **Existing Manually Engineered Model:** The current emptying detection model employs static rules every second hour, using vibration strength scores (Vstr) and ultrasonic measurements (filling levels). The Decision rules for the existing manually engineered model is shown in figure 3 . It requires Vstr

to exceed six, indicating more than five interrupts, and specific filling level conditions for detection. However, susceptibility to minor errors in measurements near emptying events prompts the need for improvement. The proposed paper suggests a data-driven approach to enhance accuracy, emphasizing the importance of precise emptying detection in the Smart Waste Management system.

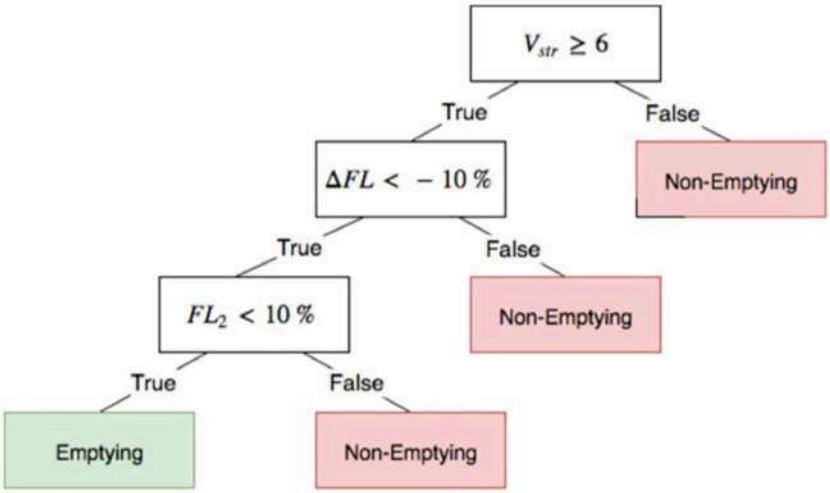

Fig. 3: Decision rules for the existing manually engineered model [2]

- **Conventional Classification Algorithms:** The following six conventional classification algorithms were used to solve the problem:1 that shown in figure 4 1) artificial neural network ; 2) k-nearest neighbours ; 3) logistic regression ; 4) support vector machine ; 5) decision tree ; 6) random forest .

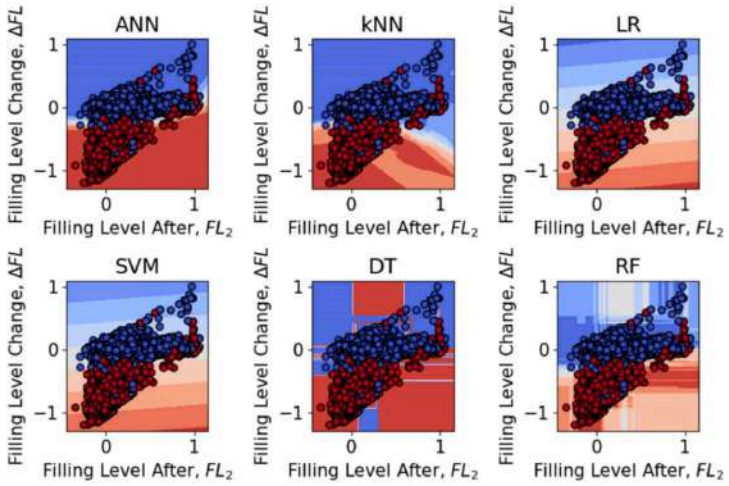

Fig. 4: Decision boundaries for the investigated classification [2]

IoT-Enabled Waste Management with RFID

This innovative waste management system combines the power of Internet of Things (IoT), cloud services, and ultra-low-power RFID sensor-tags. Operating collaboratively, these technologies enable real-time monitoring and management of waste disposal. This introduction explores the synergy

between IoT, cloud services, and RFID technology, emphasizing the potential for enhanced efficiency, data-driven decision-making, and resource optimization in waste management processes.
The paper addresses the pressing challenge of waste management in modern cities, emphasizing its impact on environmental sustainability and citizens' quality of life [2]. It recognizes recent strides in initiatives like door-to-door separate waste collection, where citizen cooperation is crucial. The ongoing Digital Transformation in waste management, driven by advancements in hardware and software technologies, especially the Internet of Things (IoT), offers a promising solution. The paper introduces an innovative system featuring RFID sensor-tags with low-cost weight sensors and a Cloud software architecture. This integration aims to efficiently manage data for door-to-door separate waste collection, aligning with the vision of future smart cities. Emphasizing citizen cooperation, the paper underscores the role of IoT technologies in expediting the digital transformation. Initial findings on the proposed system's (figure 5) functional and performance validation highlight its potential impact on advancing smart city waste management.

– **Description of System Architecture**: The proposed waste management system incorporates an RFID-tagged garbage bin equipped with a weight-sensing sensor. The system includes a wearable RFID reader responsible for collecting and transmitting data to a Cloud server using GPRS technology. The Cloud server stores and processes the information in a relational database, and a Web application provides users with dashboards summarizing the data. This streamlined system aims to efficiently manage waste collection, allowing for real-time monitoring and analysis of urban waste production.

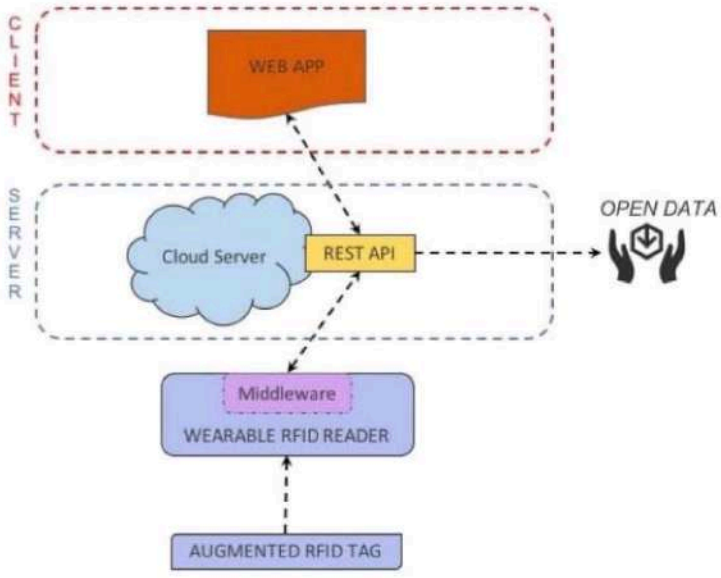

Fig. 5: Proposed system architecture [4]

1) **RFID Tag**:
The RFID tag is specifically designed for waste bins and is equipped with a sensor capable of detecting the weight of the waste inside. It is placed on the garbage bin to monitor the amount of urban waste produced by each citizen. Further details about the RFID tag are provided in Section IV.
2) **Wearable RFID Reader**:
The wearable RFID reader is responsible for collecting readings from the RFID tags attached to garbage bins. It communicates with the Cloud server using GPRS technology. In case

the GPRS signal is temporarily unavailable, the RFID reader has the capability to store information in its EEPROM (Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory).

3) **Cloud Server**:
   The Cloud server plays a central role in storing and processing data from both the RFID reader and the Web application. All information is stored in a relational database, and APIs are used for querying and accessing this data. Object Relational Mapping (ORM) files map the database in the business logic. The business logic module manages the data stream, formats API requests and responses, and ensures the overall functionality of the system.
4) **Web Application**:
   The Web application serves as the user interface, providing citizens and other stakeholders with dashboards summarizing data stored in the Cloud server. Interaction between the Web application and the Cloud server is facilitated through an API module. The Web application retrieves all necessary data for business logic operations from the Cloud server.

– **Design of the Innovative RFID Sensor-Tag and Related Antenna**:The sensor tag is designed to measure waste weight using a bottom-mounted weight sensor on a garbage bin.The Sensor-tag architecture is shown in figure 6 . It comprises an RFID section with an augmented RFID BAP chip, a Microcontroller (MCU), and an analog weight sensor digitized through an ADC with a Wheatstone bridge. The MCU processes data and transfers it to the RFID chip via an SPI bus. The RFID chip supports both wireless and wired memory access, making sensor data accessible through a standard RFID reader. The design includes an HX711 ADC model, a Texas Instruments MSP430G2553 MCU, and an EM4325 RFID chip.
The RFID Sensor-Tag features an optimized unbalanced RFID antenna and is constructed on an FR4 substrate. The design with an RF-DC insulation microstrip line. The RFID PIFA antenna designed for the European RFID band of 866MHz.

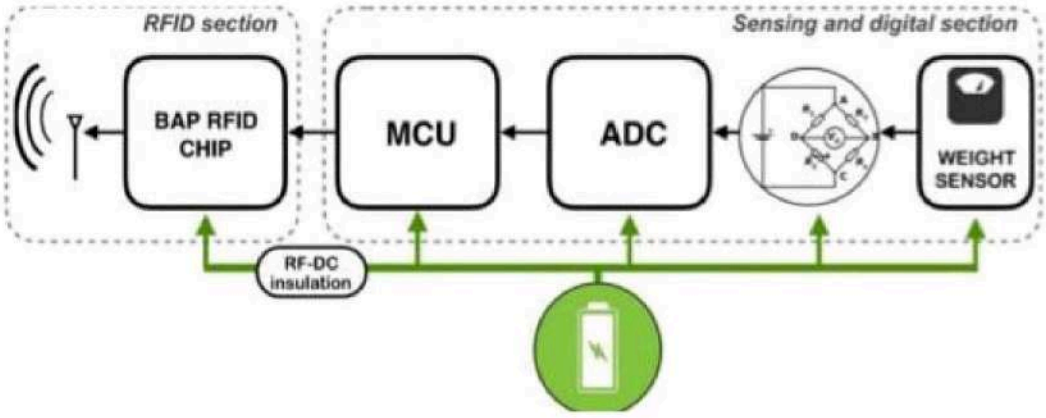

Fig. 6: Sensor-tag architecture [4]

Overall the paper focuses on an innovative hardware/software IoT solution for door-to-door waste collection, utilizing cost-effective ultra-low-power RFID sensor-tags on each garbage bin [4]. These sensor-tags can identify, sense, and transmit waste weight data. The system employs Cloud-based architecture, consisting of a Cloud Server with SQL database and business logic modules, and a Web Application with dashboards for Municipalities, Citizens, and Waste Companies to analyze waste collection data. The platform demonstrates optimal sensitivity in bin detection, reliable weight sensing, and low-maintenance, with RFID nodes lasting for years. The web application offers intuitive interfaces for authorized users, allowing them to access and visualize

relevant information based on their roles. Overall, the proposed solution proves effective in waste management, leveraging IoT-oriented, low-cost, and scalable architectures and devices.

Future Prospects

This is a promising field with lots of interesting opportunities for smart waste management systems that look to leverage different technologies for sustainability and efficiency. IoT (Internet of Things) sensors can optimise collection routes, lower operating costs, and allow real-time waste level monitoring. AI systems are able to predict fill levels and more efficiently schedule pickups by analysing data patterns. Automation can be improved through the use of robotics in sorting and recycling procedures. Transactions involving waste management could be traceable and transparent thanks to blockchain technology. In general, combining these technologies can result in waste management procedures that are more resource-efficient and sustainable.

Applications

- **IoT Bin Monitoring** : Real-time monitoring of waste bins using IoT sensors provides insights into fill levels, optimizing collection routes.
- **AI-Based Sorting**: Artificial Intelligence algorithms enhance waste sorting efficiency, enabling automated segregation of recyclables from non-recyclables.
- **GPS Tracking**: Incorporating GPS technology facilitates real-time tracking of waste collection vehicles, improving route planning and resource allocation.
- **RFID Technology**: Ultra-low-power RFID sensor-tags aid in waste identification, enabling accurate tracking and management throughout the disposal process.
- **Cloud Services**: Cloud-based platforms store and analyze data, facilitating centralized management, decision-making, and optimization of waste management operations.

Conclusion

To sum up, the integration of various technologies, such as Convolutional Neural Networks, TensorFlow Lite, LoRa, and Automated Machine Learning, has ushered in a new era for smart waste management systems. This convergence enhances efficiency, promotes sustainability, and contributes to a more adaptive waste management ecosystem. By leveraging these technologies, we pave the way for intelligent solutions that address the growing challenges of waste generation, ensuring a cleaner and more environmentally responsible future.

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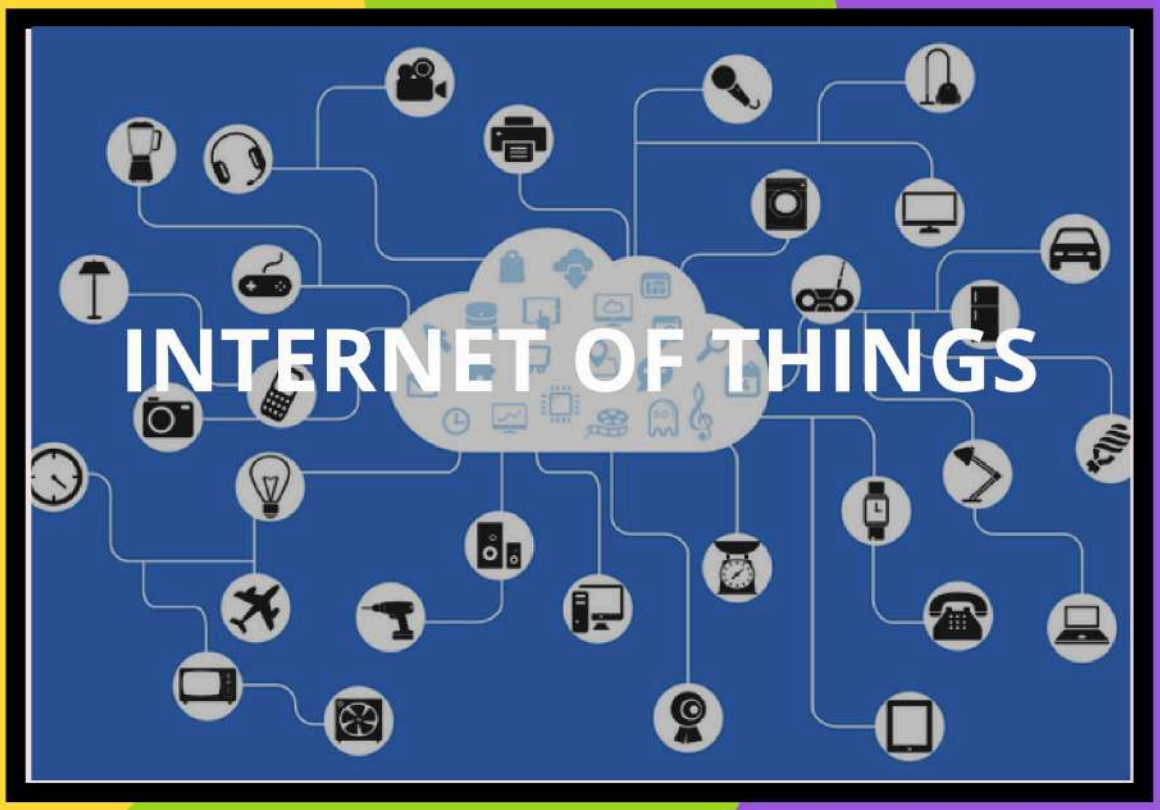
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HYBRID of IoT-ML-AI TECHNOLOGY

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***Abstract*—One of the most popular artificial intelligence (AI) techniques in today's automation technologies is machine learning (ML). This is because access to data has significantly improved, and computer power has increased, enabling the diversification of social networking apps across several fields. AI integrates ML. ML algorithms are now capable of understanding images like human brains when it comes to image data. It can identify faces by taking pictures with cellphones, performing laborious tasks, and connecting to the Internet of Things (IoT).**

Introduction

The term "Internet of Things" (IoT) describes a network of networked physical objects, which are equipped with electronics, software, sensors, and network connectivity. Using this technology, objects can collect and exchange data. Machine learning is a branch of artificial intelligence that focuses on creating statistical models and algorithms that let computers carry out tasks without being explicitly told to do so by recognizing patterns and trends in data. Deep Learning is a method for applying machine learning algorithms. It uses Artificial Neural Networks for training data to achieve incredibly promising decision-making.

In recent years, machine learning (ML) and artificial intelligence (AI) have had a significant impact on a number of technological sectors. In order to extract usable information from an image, it must first be converted to a digital format and then subjected to a number of procedures. Computer vision (CV), to comprehend images and videos is one of the trendiest areas resonating throughout the electronics sector. Processing images is at the heart of CV operation for facial recognition, biometrics, self-driving cars, medical image retrieval, traffic sensing technologies, face detection, image reconstruction etc.

Understanding the fusion of two cutting-edge technologies—Internet of Things and machine learning is necessary for any applications. Devices are connected to one another over a network called IoT includes sensors, software, and networking. IoT application development in recent years to emphasize machine learning able to identify patterns and forecast outcomes based on data. By absorbing picture, video, and audio data, machine learning for IoT used to forecast future trends, identify abnormalities, and enhance intelligence.

The concept of IoT- ML combines monitoring configured block diagram is shown in figure 1. The strengths of both technologies bring about a new level of automation, optimization, and intelligence to various applications. The integration of IoT and machine learning has the potential to transform vast amounts of data generated by IoT devices and using machine learning algorithms to analyze and interpret it, organizations can gain valuable insights, make informed decisions, and drive innovation.

Figure 1 displays a block diagram illustrating the IoT-ML combined monitoring approach. The integration of both technologies' strengths give a variety of applications in a new degree of automation, optimization, and intelligence. By fusing IoT and machine learning, there is chance to transform enormous volumes of data by analyzing and interpreting it. By machine learning algorithms, it gains valuable information that will help them to make informed decisions and foster creativity.

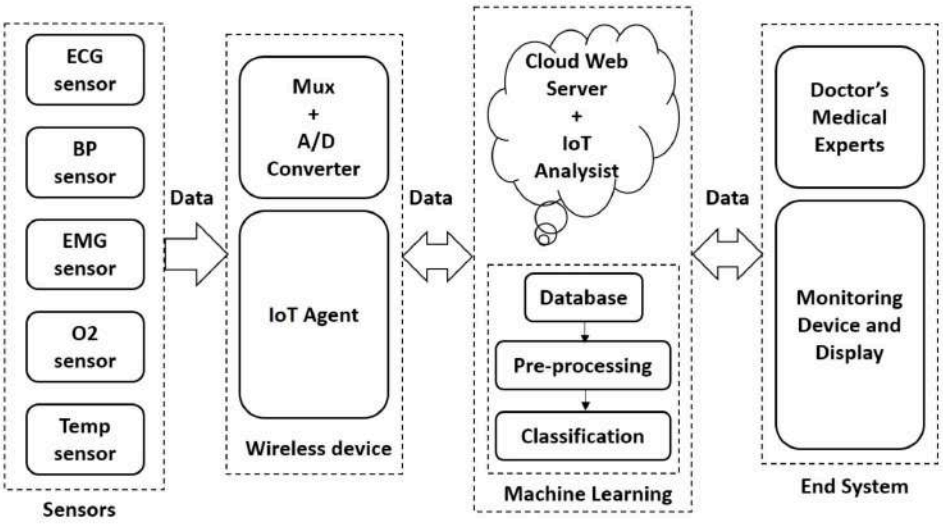

Fig. 1: IoT – ML health monitoring configured block diagram

Application: AIML image processing

Image processing is the process of converting an image into a digital format and applying specific operations to it in order to extract some valuable information. The conventional interpretation of all images by the image processing system is as 2D signals. Based on the quantity of pixels, an image is represented by its dimensions (height and width). This pixel is a point on the image that adopts a particular RGB shade, level of transparency, or colour.

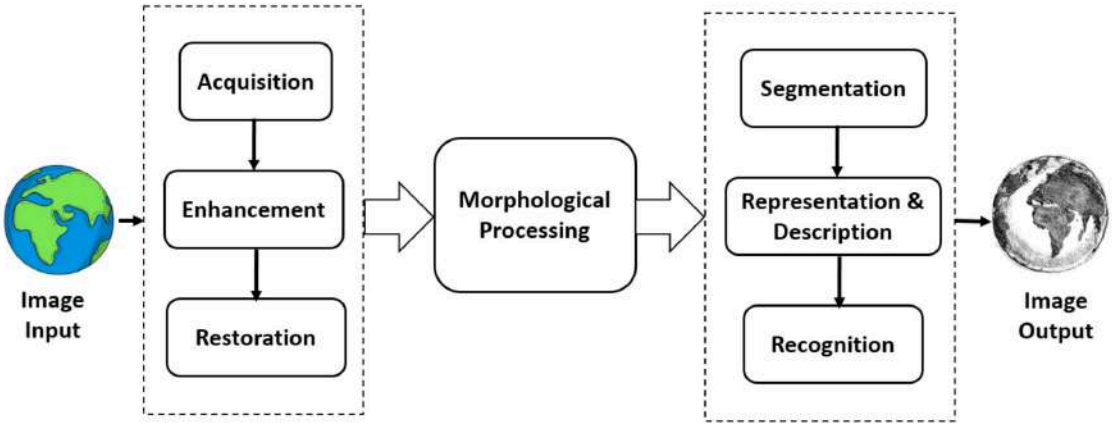

Fig. 2: A block diagram overview of image processing system

There are two techniques to process images: Digital image processing is the use of computer algorithms to edit digital images, while analogue image processing is the processing of actual photographs, printouts, and other physical copies of images. In both situations, an image is the input. Analogue image processing will always produce an image. The result of digital image processing could, however, be an image or data related to it, such as information on features, properties, and bounding boxes. Visualization, pattern recognition, segmentation, picture information extraction, classification, and many other applications of image processing are employed today.

A block diagram of an image processing system is shown in Figure 2. Following is a list of the basic image processing steps as per the block diagram.

- Image Acquisition- the initial stage in image processing.
- Image enhancement- is the process of adjusting an image's brightness, contrast, etc. to draw attention to specific features of interest.
- Image restoration- is the process of enhancing an image's appearance.
- Color image processing- is the process uses a variety of colour modelling techniques in the digital arena, including HSI (Hue-Saturation-Intensity), CMY (Cyan-Magenta-Yellow), and RGB (Red-Green-Blue), among others.
- Wavelets- used to represent images at different resolution levels.
- Compression- is a technique used to lower the amount of space needed to store a picture or the bandwidth needed to send it.
- Morphological- is a group of processes used to change the shape of images.
- Segmentation- is the division of an image into its individual items or components.
- Representation and Description- Representation deals with the features and regional characteristics of the image. Quantitative information about one thing is extracted from another through description.
- Recognition- this method labels an object based on its description.

Types of Machine Learning

A group of algorithms used in machine learning operate on enormous amounts of data. These algorithms are fed data to train them, and then they use that training to create a model and carry out a specified task. As shown in figure 3, the machine learning may be categorized into three primary categories based on the learning processes.

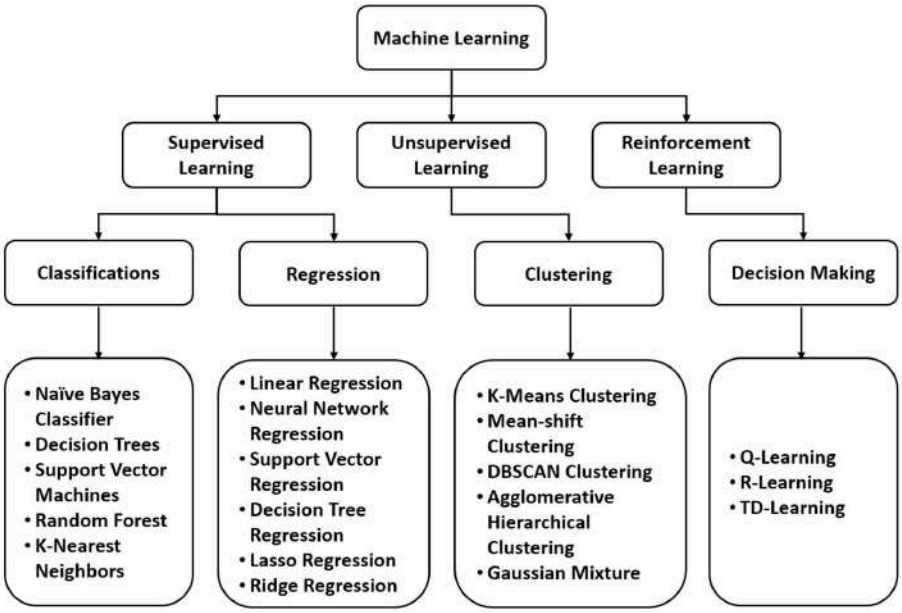

Fig. 3: Types of Machine Learning

1) Supervised Learning: In a supervised learning model, the computer learns on a labelled dataset to produce predicted predictions for the reaction to new data. Two types of supervised learning exist:
   - Classification: In classification, data is categorized into several class labels by a computer program that has been trained on a training dataset. The discrete values are predicted using this technique.
   - Regression: The goal of the regression procedure is to identify the mapping function that will translate the discrete input variables (x) into the continuous output variable (y). To forecast

continuous values, regression methods are employed.

2) Unsupervised Learning: In an unsupervised learning model, the algorithm picks out features, co-occurrences, and underlying patterns on its own to try to make sense of a dataset that hasn't been labelled.
3) Reinforcement Learning: Reinforcement learning is a subcategory of machine learning in which the model learns how to act in a given environment by acting and observing the outcomes. To maximize the favorable reaction in the specific circumstance, RL performs the appropriate action.

Machine Learning Classification Model

During model training, algorithm developers gather a sizable training in accordance with a predetermined protocol. These data are utilized to develop a feature set, train a model, and automate a targeted decision. The acquired data set is split into two parts through the classification process: the training set, which comprises 70 % of the data set, and the testing set, which comprises 30% of the data set. In the training phase, the classifier receives the training set and labels the data set into one of the classes based on the desired output.

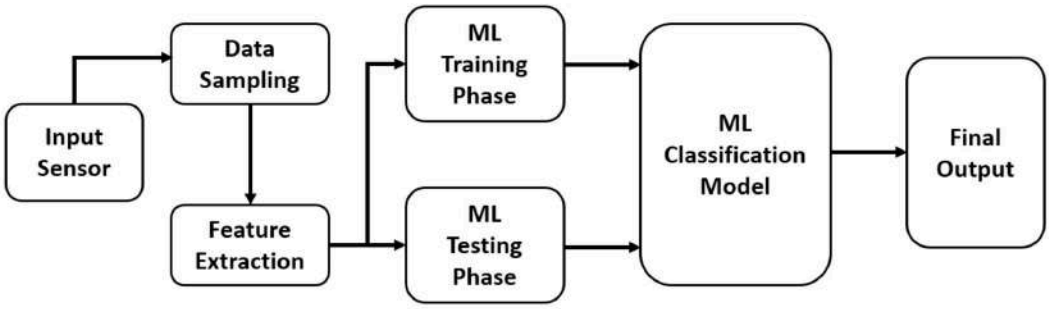

Fig. 4: Block diagram of ML classification model

The figure 4 shows the block diagram of machine learning classification model.

i. Dataset Creation
ii. Training the Dataset
iii. Testing the model
iv. Classification Level
v. Display desired Level

The classification model is listed below.

i) Dataset Creation: When creating dataset collected images are merged to single array and then convert them to gray scale to identify the features of the image. Then gray scaled converted images divided to relevant categories and labeling is given proper input to the model.

ii) Training the Dataset: The training set algorithm split images to testing and training. The model is trained using images from the training category. Then saved the model for testing phase.

iii) Testing the model: Based on the training data and created model, extract stressful behaviors from a live video feed and deliver a labeled output with high accuracy.

iv) Classification Level: The classification algorithm then compares the number of detected stressful behaviors to the findings given by the user.

v) Display Stress Level: According to finalized, percentage value of level is display to user in dashboard.

Deep Learning Model

Deep learning is a group of statistical machine learning approaches for learning feature hierarchies that are actually based on artificial neural networks. Multiple-layered neural networks are used in deep learning, a component of machine learning, to learn from enormous volumes of data. These networks replicate how the human brain processes information by similarly decoding it. A neural network's single layer can make rough predictions. Deep Learning approaches still go beyond this, utilizing numerous layers to enhance outcomes and recognize complex patterns for accurate predictions.

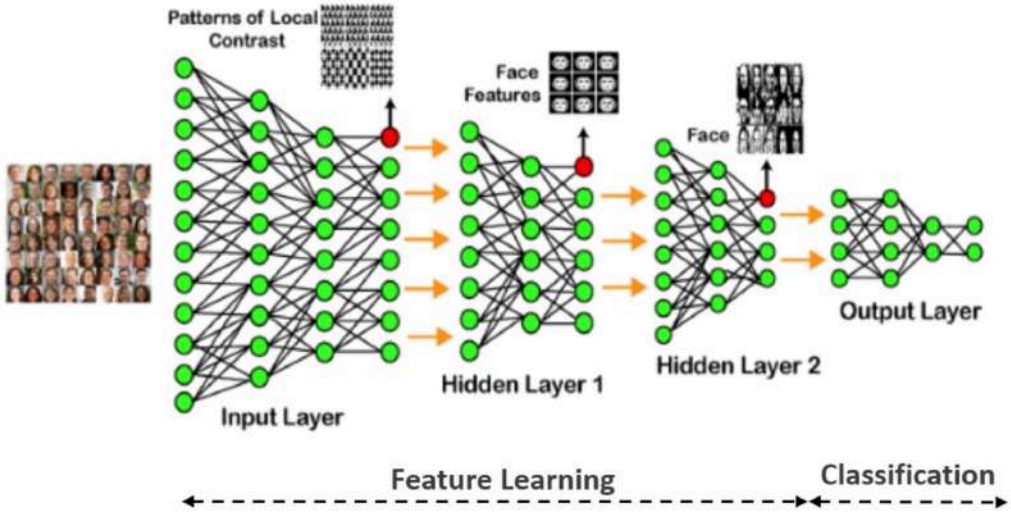

Fig. 5: Deep learning approach; Courtesy: www.javatpoint.com

According to figure 5, the first layer of the input layer receives the raw image data in order to detect the patterns of local contrast based on colours, luminance, etc. The first hidden layer will select the face feature, such as the eyes, nose, lips, etc. on the appropriate face template. Thus, in the second hidden layer, it will actually choose the right face to send to the output layer. To address complex problems, further hidden layers can be created.

Benefits of IoT-ML-AI

- Continuous Enhancement
- Automating everything
- Identification of trends and patterns through automation
- Many different applications

Drawback of IoT-ML-AI

- Data collection is prone to errors.
- Finding an Algorithm
- Time-consuming
- High computational expense

Conclusion

The Internet of Things, or IoT, has a wide range of uses and has developed into an increasingly significant and pervasive technology. AI and IoT are frequently combined in a variety of applications.

IoT and AI working together could transform numerous industries, increase productivity, and improve people's quality of life globally.

You have seen in this topic how scalable high-performance model building is aided by machine learning and deep learning image processing approaches. As a final step, the majority of deep learning image processing architectures were applied to create cutting-edge models using image data. In contemporary IoT-ML-AI applications, these had a wide range of uses.

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INTERNET OF THINGS SECURITY ASSESSMENT IN HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENT

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Introduction

The Internet of Things (IoT) is a transformative concept that integrates devices with sensors, processing capabilities, and connectivity to exchange data across networks, revolutionizing various industries, including healthcare. IoT's evolution stems from the convergence of technologies such as ubiquitous computing, embedded systems, and machine learning, enabling interconnected systems that enhance efficiency and productivity. While commonly associated with smart home products in consumer markets, IoT finds profound applications in healthcare, where it facilitates remote patient monitoring, telemedicine, medication management, asset tracking, and facility management, among other functions. In healthcare, IoT-based systems collect and transmit a plethora of patient data, facilitating real-time monitoring and analysis that can inform timely interventions and improve patient outcomes. For instance, continuous glucose monitoring for insulin pens exemplifies IoT's potential in delivering critical information to healthcare providers promptly. Remote patient monitoring, telemedicine, and medication management, supported by IoT technology, enhance proactive healthcare management and mitigate challenges associated with chronic conditions and medication adherence. Furthermore, IoT-driven asset tracking and management streamline operations in healthcare facilities, ensuring the availability and optimal maintenance of medical equipment. Healthcare facilities also benefit from IoT sensors monitoring environmental parameters, ensuring patient comfort, safety, and the integrity of medications and supplies. Patient safety is bolstered through IoT wearable devices and sensors, which monitor movement and vital signs, preventing accidents and enhancing overall care quality.

Moreover, the proliferation of smart wearables empowers individuals to monitor their health and wellness actively, fostering a proactive approach to personal healthcare management. The vast amount of data generated by IoT devices offers opportunities for in-depth analysis, enabling healthcare organizations to derive insights that inform decision-making and optimize resource allocation. However, the widespread adoption of IoT in healthcare necessitates robust security measures to safeguard sensitive patient data and ensure regulatory compliance. Data encryption, device security features, network security protocols, authentication mechanisms, and regulatory compliance frameworks are essential components of IoT security in healthcare. Patient education, continuous monitoring, supply chain security, and interoperability further contribute to mitigating potential risks associated with IoT deployment in healthcare settings. While IoT holds immense promise in transforming healthcare delivery and management, addressing security concerns and ensuring regulatory compliance are imperative for realizing its full potential. Collaborative efforts among healthcare providers, IoT manufacturers, and regulatory authorities are essential to uphold the integrity and security of IoT-driven healthcare systems, ultimately enhancing patient care and outcomes in a rapidly evolving digital landscape.

Routing Protocols

- **Secrout Protocol** : The SecRout protocol, central to the security framework for healthcare IoT environments, addresses the unique challenges and vulnerabilities present in wireless sensor networks (WSNs) within healthcare settings. It relies on unique identifications and concealed keys assigned to each sensor node for secure communication and data protection. Operating on a cluster-based network topology, where sensor nodes are organized into clusters led by cluster heads, the protocol establishes a trusted sink node to manage network topology and securely store sensor node IDs and keys. Data transmission under SecRout undergoes authentication from source to sink node, ensuring data integrity in healthcare environments. Notably, the protocol incorporates partial path information to minimize packet size and employs a two-step route establishment process for efficient data forwarding. Robust symmetric cryptographic mechanisms uphold data confidentiality and integrity, while a two-level architecture reduces communication overhead by aggregating messages at the cluster head level before transmission to the sink node. Overall, SecRout plays a critical role in establishing secure data routes, authenticating data, and safeguarding sensitive medical information from potential security threats within healthcare IoT networks.

- **AODV Protocol** : The Ad Hoc On-Demand Distance Vector (AODV) Routing protocol, developed for mobile ad hoc networks (MANETs), particularly stands out in securing wireless sensor networks (WSNs) within healthcare Internet of Things (IoT) environments. Its on-demand routing approach dynamically establishes routes between nodes only when necessary, aligning well with intermittent data transmission typical in healthcare IoT applications. AODV's route maintenance, facilitated by sequence numbers to track route freshness, ensures adaptability to dynamic network changes crucial for real-time patient data collection and transmission. Notably, its self-starting, loop-free nature and scalability make it ideal for dynamic healthcare IoT networks, where devices constantly join and leave the network, ensuring efficient and reliable routing without sacrificing performance. The protocol's route discovery phase, coupled with route maintenance mechanisms, enables reliable and timely delivery of critical patient data while preventing routing loops and maintaining data integrity. In the realm of healthcare IoT security, AODV plays a pivotal role in facilitating dynamic and efficient routing solutions, crucial for maintaining the timeliness and integrity of patient data transmission in dynamic healthcare environments.

Methodology

The methodology outlined in this paper presents a meticulously designed and comprehensive research endeavor aimed at bolstering the security and integrity of Internet of Things (IoT) applications in healthcare settings. At its core lies the configuration of a Wireless Sensor Network (WSN) tailored specifically for healthcare environments, comprising stationary sensor nodes, a coordinator, cloud server, host devices, and a central data collection point known as the "Sink." Each component is strategically integrated to ensure continuous and secure collection of critical patient data, reflecting the typical deployment of healthcare monitoring devices in real-world scenarios.

Key to ensuring the security and privacy of healthcare data is the implementation of robust sensor node security measures. Utilizing Elliptic-curve cryptography (ECC), each sensor node is equipped with a unique identification (ID) to authenticate its presence within the network, safeguarding patient data from potential threats and unauthorized access. Additionally, data encryption mechanisms, also leveraging ECC, further fortify data security by encrypting collected data, ensuring confidentiality and alignment

with stringent healthcare privacy requirements. The integration of the SecRout protocol enhances data transmission security by establishing secure and efficient routes from IoT devices to the Sink, focusing on preserving data confidentiality and authentication throughout the transmission process. This meticulous approach addresses the critical need for maintaining the security and integrity of patient information, crucial in healthcare IoT applications.

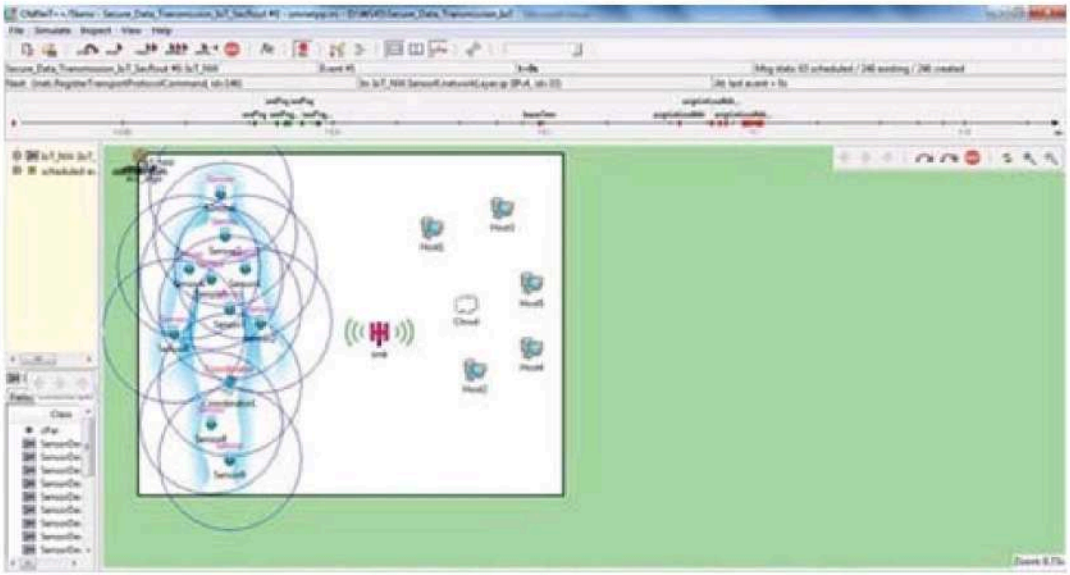

Fig. 1: WSN Network [7]

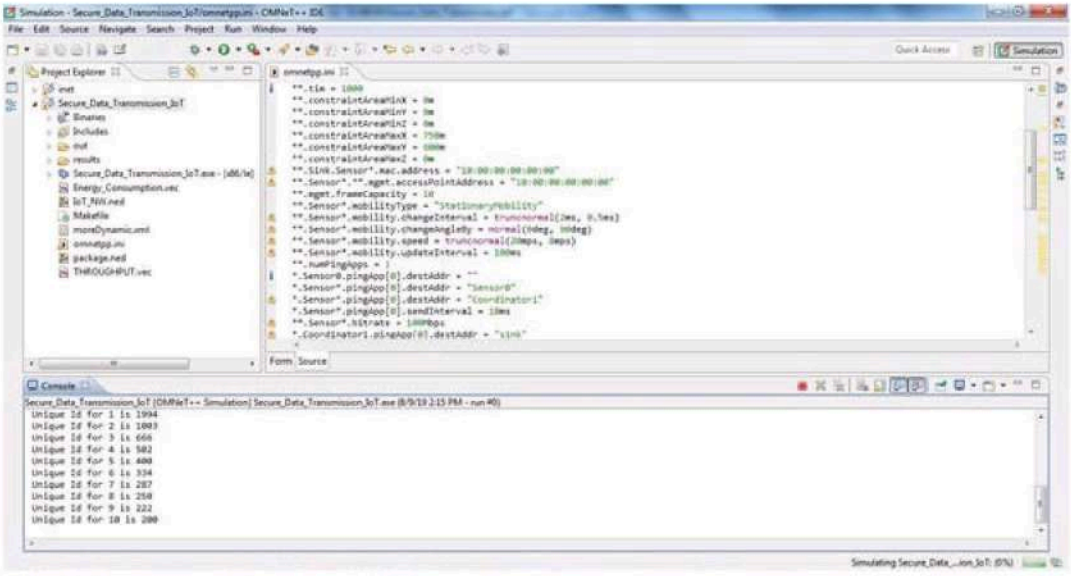

Fig. 2: ID Sensor [7]

Incorporating mechanisms for malware detection and extensive simulation-based evaluations using tools like Sumo, INET, and OMNeT++, the research rigorously assesses the proposed security measures' effectiveness. Through comprehensive data analysis and simulation results, the paper offers critical insights into the strengths and limitations of the approach, contributing to a deeper understanding of healthcare IoT security and laying the groundwork for future advancements in this critical domain. Ultimately, the framework presented in the paper aims to elevate the security of healthcare IoT environments, safeguard

patient data privacy, ensure data integrity, and enhance the quality of patient care within a secure IoT ecosystem dedicated to healthcare applications.

Data Analysis

Simulation serves as a critical methodology , enabling the emulation of the healthcare IoT network's behavior under diverse scenarios and conditions. Through software tools like Sumo, INET, and OMNeT++, constructed a controlled virtual environment mirroring real-world IoT network operations. Sumo facilitates the modeling of traffic and mobility scenarios, providing insights into IoT device interactions within the network. INET simulates communication networks and protocols, enabling the evaluation of data transmission and routing performance. OMNeT++ offers a discrete event simulation framework to analyze complex systems, allowing for a detailed study of the healthcare IoT network's behavior, data transfer, and security measures. The simulation's objective is to observe the performance of proposed security measures, measure key performance metrics, and gather data for analysis.

The simulation results represent a core component of the research, offering insights into the effectiveness of proposed security measures within the healthcare IoT network. Conducted various scenarios and experiments within the simulated environment to assess performance metrics like energy consumption, throughput, latency, packet loss, and security efficiency. Lower energy consumption, higher throughput, minimal latency, and packet loss are desirable outcomes for efficient data transmission and network operation. The evaluation of security efficiency measures the proposed security mechanisms' ability to protect data and mitigate potential threats or attacks. The analysis of simulation results aids in identifying strengths, areas for improvement, and informs decision-making for future enhancements or adjustments in the security framework, contributing to a comprehensive understanding of the healthcare IoT network's behavior and security posture.

Advantages

- Addresses a critical aspect of IoT security in a specific domain: healthcare environment.
- Provides insights into the use of IoT devices and sensors in healthcare and the associated security challenges.
- Introduces the SecRout protocol as a solution for securing wireless sensor networks (WSNs) in healthcare environments.
- Utilizes symmetric encryption and route caching to enhance security and ensure message validity.
- Compares the performance of SecRout protocol with the unsecured AODV protocol, providing valuable insights into the effectiveness of the proposed solution.

Disadvantages

- Limited discussion on the practical implementation and real-world deployment of the proposed SecRout protocol.
- It may benefit from more thorough discussion and analysis of potential security vulnerabilities and attack vectors that the SecRout protocol may still be susceptible to.

Applications

- Secure Patient Data Transmission
- Medical Device Security
- Telemedicine Security
- Remote Monitoring
- IoT in Clinical Trials
- Hospital Infrastructure Security
- Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Security

Conclusion

This assessment underscores the pivotal role of the Secure Routing Protocol (SecRout) in fortifying security within healthcare Internet of Things (IoT) environments. SecRout stands as a cornerstone in the network architecture, guaranteeing data integrity and security throughout the IoT ecosystem by employing advanced cryptographic methods and secure routing strategies. Its authentication mechanisms and intrusion prevention capabilities offer a robust defense against potential threats, a crucial aspect in safeguarding patient data confidentiality within healthcare settings. Moreover, the use of Elliptic-Curve Cryptography (ECC) for generating unique identification (ID) codes for sensor nodes is highlighted for its efficiency and cryptographic robustness, ensuring each node's unmistakable identification and authorization.

Also delves into a comparative analysis between SecRout and the less secure Ad Hoc On-Demand Distance Vector (AODV) routing protocol, revealing performance differences in energy consumption and throughput. Findings suggest that SecRout maintains energy efficiency and data delivery capacity even as the volume of data increases, signifying its scalability and robustness in healthcare IoT environments. Furthermore, the alignment of results with previous studies underscores the research's validity and reliability, highlighting the potential for implementing strong security measures to safeguard critical healthcare data effectively.

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Interpretable Rule Mining for Real-Time ECG Anomaly Detection in IoT Edge Sensors

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Abstract

This study introduces an innovative approach to Electrocardiogram (ECG) anomaly detection using the Chain of Rules algorithm. Leveraging a biased-trained artificial neural network, the algorithm formulates a set of interpretable rules at each node of an on-demand tree-like search. The rules prioritize abnormal class detection in ECG data, ensuring a balance between accuracy and sensitivity. Trained on the MIT-BIH Arrhythmia Database, the proposed model achieves a remarkable accuracy of 93% with only nine nodes. Furthermore, its successful deployment on an ARM Cortex M4-based embedded device showcases a significant reduction in sensor power consumption, demonstrating its potential for real-time applications in wearable health monitoring systems.

Introduction

Electrocardiogram (ECG) analysis has become integral in diagnosing cardiovascular diseases, offering crucial insights into heart health. This article introduces an innovative, explainable rule-mining strategy aimed at prioritizing the detection of abnormal classes in ECG data. Using a biased-trained artificial neural network (ANN) with input features derived from ECG beat sequences, the method constructs rules at each node through gradient analysis within an on-demand tree-like search algorithm.

The resultant model is a transparent rule-based system, leveraging statistical and morphological features for the detection of abnormal heartbeats. Achieving targeted sensitivity and accuracy with low runtime complexity, the model undergoes thorough offline rule-mining and is trained using the MIT-BIH Arrhythmia Database. Impressively, with only nine nodes, the system attains a 93% accuracy, demonstrating a test sensitivity of 90% and 80% for VEB and SVEB beat types when tested on INCART database ECG data.

The model's flexibility is highlighted by its ability to easily adjust performance and complexity based on real-time resource constraints, vital for wearable sensors. Deployed on an ARM Cortex M4-based embedded device, the model achieves over a 50% reduction in sensor power consumption. This is achieved by wirelessly transmitting only abnormal beats, with RF transmission being gated based on the model output and disabled during normal ECG conditions.

With a focus on healthcare applications, the proposed technique stands out for its explainability, lower complexity, and real-time adaptability when deployed in Internet of Things (IoT)-enabled wearable edge sensors. This approach, combining interpretability and efficiency, represents a promising advancement

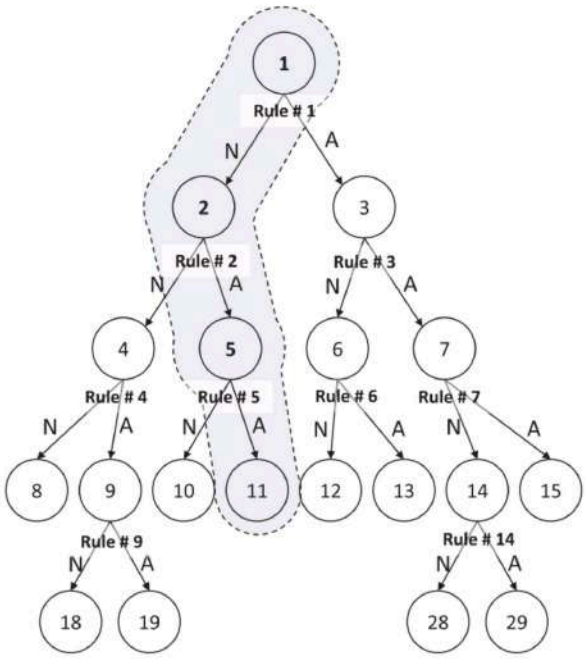

Fig. 1: Illustration of the Chain of Rules procedure [1]

in ECG anomaly detection, contributing to the field of digital health through the synergy of rule-based algorithms and IoT technologies.

Chain of Rules

The Chain of Rules algorithm is a sequential application of rules designed for the classification of Electrocardiogram (ECG) beats. It involves navigating a binary tree, starting from the root node and applying rules associated with each node until reaching a leaf node. Each rule assesses a specific feature of the ECG beat against a predetermined threshold, leading to a tentative decision of Normal or Abnormal. The final classification is determined by the result of the last rule in the tree.

Prior to running the Chain of Rules algorithm, features for each ECG beat must be extracted, with the specific set of required features determined during an offline training process. The algorithm's structure is determined through a training algorithm, creating an enumeration of possible nodes, each with binary flags indicating leaf or non-leaf status. Non-leaf nodes define rules specifying the feature to use and the comparison threshold. Despite the perceived complexity of the training algorithm, the runtime procedure is straightforward and can be easily implemented on an embedded device. The algorithm's flexibility allows for adjusting performance and complexity based on real-time resource constraints, making it suitable for applications in wearable sensors and the Internet of Things (IoT).

Development of Chain of Rules

The Chain of Rules algorithm is developed through an offline iterative process called GenEIC, starting with a single leaf node and adding nodes until the algorithm achieves the desired accuracy and sensitivity.

The process involves growing the network by changing a leaf into a parent node and adding two child nodes for Normal and Abnormal classes. The decision to grow a node is based on its impact on accurate classification.

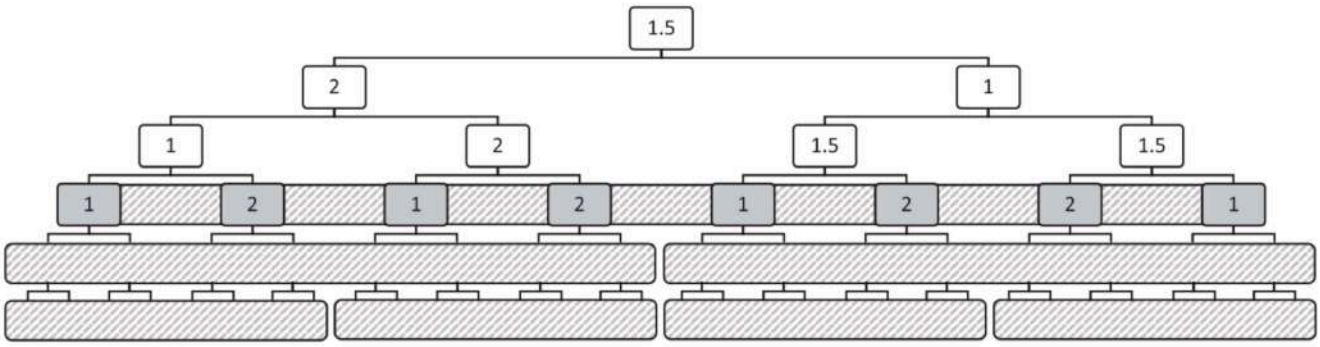

Fig. 2: Beta Strategy [1]

The development involves generating candidate rules, evaluating their performance using the "Beta strategy", and selecting the best rule. This ensures prioritized detection of abnormal classes without compromising accuracy. The identified best rule is then applied iteratively, dividing the dataset into subsets for Normal and Abnormal decisions until the desired accuracy and sensitivity are achieved. The resulting Chain of Rules algorithm is ready for real-time deployment in ECG anomaly detection applications.

Future Prospects

Continued research and innovation in these areas can propel the Chain of Rules algorithm towards a future where it plays a pivotal role in revolutionizing ECG analysis, improving patient outcomes, and contributing to the advancement of digital health technologies.

Here are some of the potential future prospects for spin waves in next-generation computing:

- **Improved Interpretability:** Focus on enhancing the interpretability of the Chain of Rules algorithm with visualizations and explanations for user-friendly insights, especially in medical applications.
- **Integration with Wearable Tech:** Explore seamless integration into wearable devices for continuous real-time monitoring, aiding early anomaly detection and remote patient care.
- **Adaptability to Diverse Datasets:** Explore adaptability to diverse ECG datasets, ensuring robust performance across demographics and health conditions.
- **Collaboration with Telemedicine:** Collaborate with telemedicine platforms to facilitate remote consultations and provide timely alerts for abnormal ECG patterns.
- **Continuous Learning:** Implement mechanisms for continuous learning to enhance accuracy over time in dynamic healthcare landscapes.
- **Clinical Validation:** Conduct extensive clinical trials for broader acceptance, regulatory approval, and adoption in clinical practice.
- **Integration with Health Systems:** Integrate seamlessly with electronic health records and health information exchange networks for comprehensive patient insights.
- **Patient Empowerment:** Incorporate features empowering patients with insights, personalized recommendations, and self-monitoring tools.
- **Cross-Disciplinary Collaboration:** Foster collaboration between cardiology, data science, and engineering for innovative ECG analysis algorithms.

- **Global Accessibility:** Work towards global accessibility, addressing infrastructure challenges, and ensuring affordability for widespread preventive healthcare impact.

Conclusion

To sum up, the Chain of Rules algorithm presents a promising avenue for interpretable and real-time Electrocardiogram (ECG) anomaly detection. Its robustness, adaptability, and potential integration with wearable technology hold the key to revolutionizing cardiovascular health monitoring. Future prospects include enhancing interpretability, seamless integration into healthcare systems, continuous learning, and ensuring global accessibility. As research progresses, the Chain of Rules algorithm stands poised to play a pivotal role in advancing digital health technologies, improving patient outcomes, and contributing to preventive healthcare on a broader scale

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OPTIMIZING IOT DRONES USING CELLULAR NETWORKS

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Abstract

UAVs, subject to stringent regulations, face limited flight time due to battery constraints. Recent advancements in technical support have increased average battery lifespan, enabling extended flights of up to 100 km with improved propulsion systems. Enhanced flight capabilities can now be achieved with refined operational methods. This paper examines the mobility spectrum of aerial vehicles utilizing mobile networks, which enhances accessibility beyond private networks, potentially exposing them to unauthorized access and monitoring. Various measures, including encryption, are discussed for bolstering network security. The article covers drone components, their activity over mobile networks, and challenges associated with long-distance flights beyond private networks. It concludes by assessing drone range and stability outside base station coverage.

Introduction

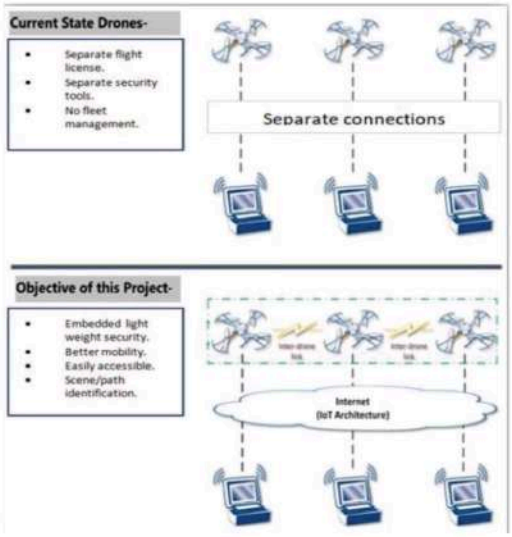

Fig. 1: Drones with Cellular Networks[1].

Due to limited battery capacity, high-performance aerial devices like UAVs have restricted flight durations. However, recent technological advancements have significantly improved overall battery efficiency, making it suitable for the device's voltage and size. Now, flights spanning approximately 100 km are

achievable with optimized battery life and propulsion systems. Furthermore, with enhanced propulsion systems, flights over this distance have become feasible. Challenges persist in establishing stable communication between stationary bases and moving devices with delayed sorting efficiency. Real-time communication remains viable within a 15 km range, constrained by emitted power. Various aspects were examined, including transmitter durability, device portability, and satellite utilization for communication systems. The current flight setup enables immediate radio connections between pilots and ground stations, demonstrating consistent reliability in coverage and flight duration. Remote pilots can now efficiently dispatch, navigate, and land vehicles with diverse network security measures, including radio interference prevention in urban areas. After thorough examination, the paper concludes that telecommunication networks can effectively handle UAV data transmission, flow control, and telemetry, thereby providing a more comprehensive view of flight trajectories. Utilizing mobile networks offers high-capacity data transfer, enabling numerous projects involving reconnaissance, delivery, surveys, and emergency response across urban and rural areas.fig 2 shows the control of UAV from high altitude.

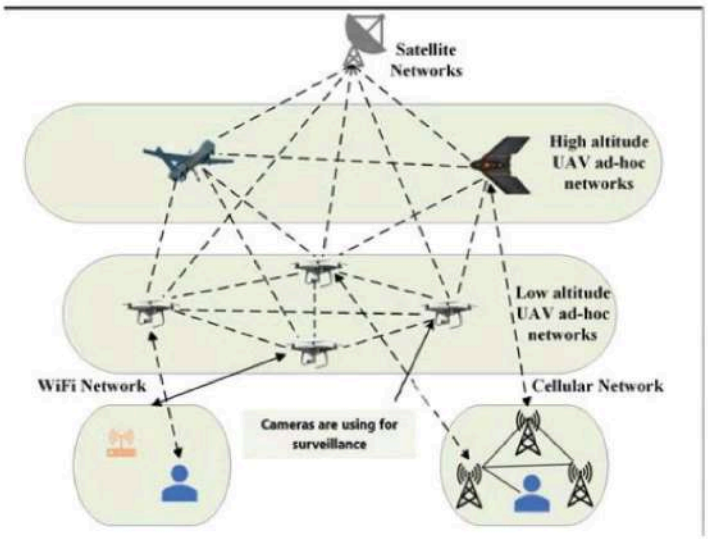

Fig. 2: Control of UAV from high altitude[1].

Working of IOT-drones over cellular network

In the realm of modern telecommunications, the Subscriber Identity Module (SIM) card plays a pivotal role in linking devices, particularly cell phones and smartphones, to mobile networks. Analogous to an IP address in computer networks, a SIM card furnishes a unique identity and network access authorizations to devices. This small plastic card, housing an integrated chip, not only provides device-specific information but also facilitates network connectivity and service provisioning, including call and text allowances.

The significance of SIM cards extends beyond traditional mobile devices to encompass emerging technologies like drones. By integrating SIM cards into drones, a seamless connection to mobile networks is established, enabling a myriad of functionalities. This integration allows drones to access cellular networks from base stations, expanding their operational range beyond the confines of cities or states. Termed as the "drone's reach over the visual line," this capability empowers drones with internet connectivity, facilitating data transmission and reception via radio signals.

To enable internet access through SIM cards, specialized hardware or modems are installed on drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs). The base station, serving as the point of connection, can be a cellular device equipped with a SIM card dedicated to drone communication. Through this setup, both the base station and the drone gain network access, enabling seamless communication and data transfer.

Digital data, including images, videos, and drone location, can be transmitted directly to a designated server via the internet connection.

The incorporation of GPS modules further enhances drone functionality by enabling precise tracking and autonomous landing in the event of communication network loss. Moreover, the utilization of drone internet connectivity introduces a plethora of features and possibilities, fostering long-term accessibility and operational efficiency. With a SIM card embedded within the drone, continuous communication with the base station is ensured, even in remote locations with limited infrastructure.

Despite its manifold advantages, drone internet connectivity presents various challenges and vulnerabilities. Connected to the internet, drones become susceptible to security threats, potentially compromising both the device and the data it processes. The inherent risks necessitate robust security measures to mitigate unauthorized access and safeguard sensitive information.

One such measure is the implementation of strong end-to-end encryption, which serves to fortify data transmission and thwart interception by malicious entities. By encrypting data from its point of origin to its destination, the integrity and confidentiality of drone communications are upheld, reducing the risk of exploitation or tampering.

Furthermore, proactive measures can be adopted to bolster drone security and resilience against cyber threats. Regular security audits and vulnerability assessments can identify and address potential weaknesses in the system. Additionally, adherence to industry best practices and compliance with regulatory frameworks can enhance the overall security posture of drone internet connectivity.

While the deployment of SIM cards in drones heralds a new era of connectivity and innovation, it also underscores the importance of cybersecurity in unmanned aerial systems. As drones continue to proliferate across various sectors, from agriculture to infrastructure inspection, ensuring the integrity and security of these devices is paramount.

In conclusion, the integration of SIM cards into drones facilitates seamless internet connectivity, enabling a myriad of applications and functionalities. However, this advancement comes with inherent risks and vulnerabilities, necessitating robust security measures to safeguard against cyber threats. By prioritizing Cybersecurity and implementing proactive strategies, the potential of drone internet connectivity can be realized while mitigating associated issues. Figure 3 shows the Cellular network Drones representing different use cases.

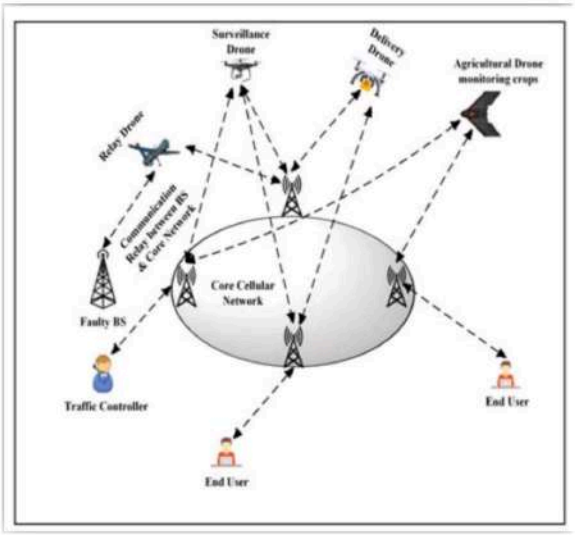

Fig. 3: Cellular network Drones representing different use cases[1].

Applications

Optimizing IoT drones using cellular networks opens up numerous applications across various industries. Here are six diverse applications:

- Surveillance and Security: - IoT drones equipped with high-definition cameras and sensors can be deployed for surveillance and security purposes.
- Infrastructure Inspection: - Drones equipped with cameras, LiDAR, and other sensors can inspect infrastructure such as bridges, power lines, and pipelines.
- Search and Rescue Operations: - IoT drones equipped with thermal imaging cameras and GPS capabilities can assist in search and rescue operations, especially in remote or inaccessible areas.
- Environmental Monitoring: - Drones equipped with sensors for air quality, water quality, and biodiversity assessment can monitor environmental conditions in sensitive ecosystems.
- Delivery and Logistics: - IoT drones can be used for the delivery of goods and supplies in urban, rural, or remote areas.
- Agriculture and Crop Management: - Drones equipped with multispectral cameras, NDVI sensors, and soil moisture sensors can monitor crop health, assess field conditions, and optimize farming practices.

Advantages

Optimizing IoT drones using cellular networks offers several advantages:

- Extended Range: Cellular networks provide broader coverage compared to traditional Wi-Fi or Bluetooth connections.
- Reliability: Cellular networks typically offer higher reliability and uptime compared to other connectivity options.
- Improved Security: Cellular networks often come with built-in security features, including encryption and authentication mechanisms, which help protect data transmitted between the drone and the control center.
- Quality of Service (QoS): Cellular networks offer QoS mechanisms that prioritize traffic based on its importance and urgency.
- Scalability: Cellular networks are highly scalable, capable of accommodating a large number of connected devices simultaneously.
- Global Coverage: Cellular networks provide global coverage, allowing drones to operate almost anywhere with network connectivity.
- Integration with Existing Infrastructure: Cellular networks integrate seamlessly with existing telecommunications infrastructure, simplifying the deployment and management of IoT drone networks.
- Remote Management and Monitoring: Cellular connectivity enables remote management and monitoring of drones, including firmware updates, diagnostics, and real-time telemetry data.
- Compliance and Regulations: Cellular networks often comply with regulatory requirements and standards, ensuring that IoT drone deployments meet legal and operational requirements.

Disadvantages

- Variable height: Government regulations limit drone flight height to around 400 feet, but sensors detect obstacles, allowing drones to avoid collisions.
- Signal coverage: Service providers don't guarantee continuous network coverage. UAVs may lose connection, but safety measures like auto-landing or returning to base exist.

- Collision When flying beyond line-of-sight, UAVs risk collision with obstacles. Sensors detect motion, enabling swift collision avoidance maneuvers such as speed or altitude adjustments.
- Tilted Antenna towers: Some cellular network towers are tilted for ground coverage, posing connection issues for drones flying higher; avoid excessive altitude.
- Weather: Poor weather affects drone signal availability; minimize risk by avoiding, or if necessary, safely landing the drone during adverse conditions.

Conclusion

To enhance the safety and range of communication for low-altitude drone missions within the line of sight, mobile networks offer a diverse array of services utilizing cutting-edge technologies conforming to licensed radio spectrum and global standards. This study evaluates the overall effectiveness of utilizing cellular networks for airborne drone communication and explores the potential of LTE networks in supporting initial deployments at low altitudes. Recent advancements in 5G networks bring forth enhanced capabilities, including eco-friendly and efficient wireless networking tailored for extensive drone applications. The proposed research also aligns with the notion of leveraging sophisticated and validated cellular network recognition, control, and tracking functionalities within drone visitor control systems for wireless communication exchanges.

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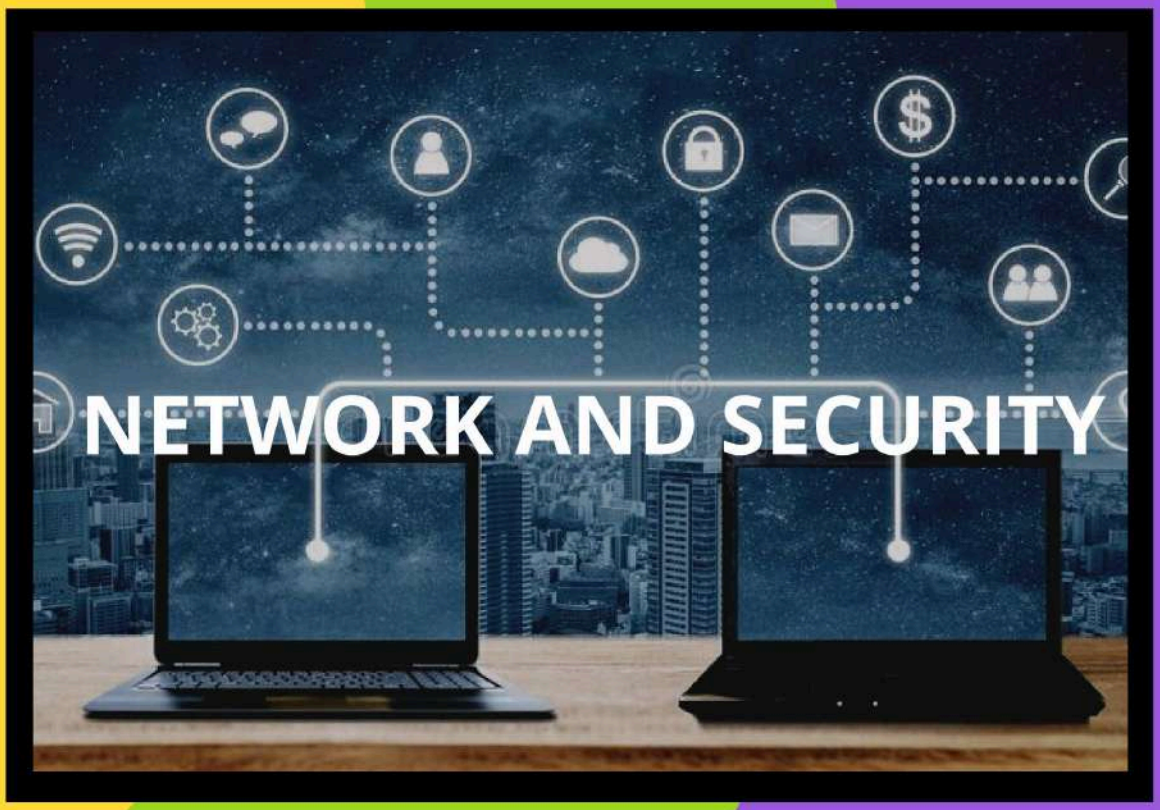
NETWORK AND SECURITY

NFT

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Abstract

Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs) have revolutionized digital asset ownership, authenticity, and value perception. This abstract examines their technology, historical context, and current applications across industries.

NFTs, unique digital assets authenticated through blockchain, grant exclusive rights over digital creations like art, collectibles, and virtual real estate. Their decentralized nature ensures transparency, immutability, and scarcity, enabling direct monetization for creators.

NFTs have sparked cultural discussions on digital ownership, intellectual property, and democratizing art. They empower creators to engage directly with fans and unlock new revenue streams. However, concerns over environmental impact, copyright, and speculation persist.

This abstract provides insights into NFTs' potential to disrupt industries, reshape the digital economy, and contribute to ongoing discourse on blockchain's transformative power in digital ownership and creative expression.

Introduction

In today's rapidly evolving digital landscape, Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs) have emerged as a focal point, captivating the attention of both enthusiasts and professionals across various industries. Their transformative potential extends far beyond conventional cryptocurrencies, offering unique opportunities and challenges that warrant a closer examination, particularly for those entrenched in the field of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE).

At its essence, an NFT serves as a digital certificate of authenticity and ownership, meticulously authenticated and securely stored on a blockchain network. Leveraging sophisticated cryptographic principles, NFTs ensure robust security and immutability, guaranteeing the integrity of the digital assets they represent. Unlike their fungible counterparts like Bitcoin or Ethereum, NFTs are indivisible and possess distinct attributes, rendering them ideally suited for representing an array of digital collectibles, including artworks, music, videos, virtual real estate, and more.

This introduction endeavors to furnish ECE enthusiasts with a comprehensive understanding of NFTs, delving into the intricate technical underpinnings that define their functionality. From exploring the cryptographic protocols that safeguard NFT transactions to dissecting the blockchain infrastructure that provides the foundation for their existence, readers will gain a nuanced perspective on the intricate mechanisms driving the NFT ecosystem.

Furthermore, this discourse will elucidate the pivotal role of smart contracts in NFT creation, verification, and ownership tracking. By unraveling the technical nuances of these programmable contracts, readers will appreciate their significance in automating and executing transactions with unparalleled efficiency and transparency.

Ultimately, this exploration aims to equip ECE professionals with the requisite knowledge to navigate the burgeoning realm of NFTs, discerning their implications and applications within the broader context of digital engineering and innovation. As NFTs continue to reshape industries and redefine digital ownership paradigms, understanding their technical intricacies becomes paramount for engineers and innovators poised to harness their transformative potential.

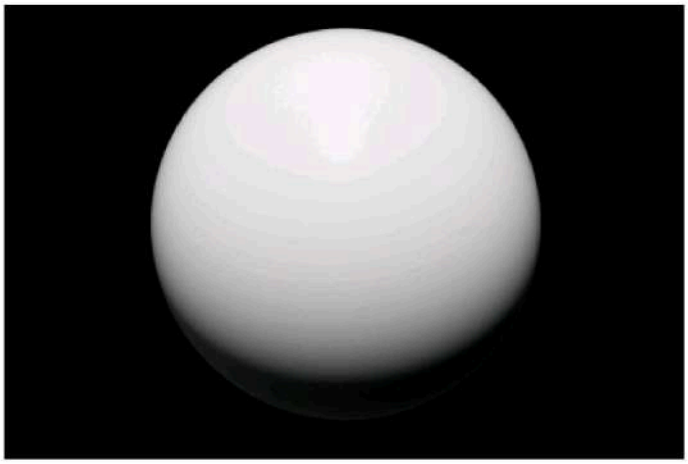

Fig. 1: Merge,The Most expensive NFT [1]

Significance of NFT

NFTs represent a paradigm shift in digital asset monetization and ownership. They facilitate a direct economy where creators can sell their digital works without intermediaries like galleries or auction houses. Moreover, NFTs ensure authenticity and ownership of digital assets, addressing previous challenges. Leveraging blockchain, they offer a secure and transparent method to track asset ownership and provenance.

This innovation has the potential to disrupt traditional industries such as art, music, and gaming, ushering in new business models and revenue streams. For instance, musicians can offer limited NFTs tied to albums or songs, while gamers can sell rare in-game items as NFTs. However, concerns arise regarding the environmental impact due to the energy-intensive creation and verification process on the blockchain.

Moreover, the speculative nature of NFTs has invited criticism, with some arguing they inflate a bubble devoid of real underlying value beyond hype. Figure 2 shows the best marketplaces to buy/sell NFT.

Fig. 2: Top NFT Marketplace For Buy/Sell NFTs [1]

Fig. 3: Steps involved in creating NFT Marketplace [2]

NFTs are based on blockchain technology, which is a decentralized, decentralized ledger that records transactions securely and transparently. Blockchain technology makes it possible to ensure the ownership and authenticity of digital assets by creating a unique digital fingerprint or ”hasandquot; for each NFT.Each NFT is stored on the blockchain as a smart contract, which is a self-executing contract where the terms of the agreement between the buyer and seller are written directly into the code. This means that once an NFT is created, it cannot be duplicated or changed, ensuring its uniqueness and authenticity.Blockchain technology also allows the ownership and provenance of NFTs to be tracked over time. Every transaction involving an NFT is recorded on the blockchain, creating an immutable history of ownership and transfer.However, the use of blockchain technology in NFTs also has some disadvantages. In figure 3 we can see the steps involved in creating NFT Marketplace. The energy-intensive process of creating and verifying blockchain transactions can have a significant environmental impact. Additionally, the high transaction fees associated with blockchain transactions can make buying and selling NFTs expensive.

Advantages of NFTs

- Transparency and immutability: Transactions and ownership history are recorded on the blockchain, providing a transparent and tamper-proof record of authenticity.
- Digital ownership: NFTs offer a way to establish verifiable ownership of digital assets, which can be challenging with traditional methods.
- Fractional ownership: NFTs can be divided into smaller units, allowing for wider participation and investment in high-value assets.
- New revenue streams: Creators can earn royalties on secondary sales of their NFTs, providing a potential for ongoing income.
- Enhanced security: Blockchain technology offers strong security against fraud and counterfeiting.
- Democratization of access: NFTs can open up new avenues for funding and investment, bypassing traditional gatekeepers.
- Community building: NFTs can act as a tool for building communities around shared interests and ownership.

Disadvantages of NFTs

- Volatility and illiquidity: The NFT market is still young and unregulated, leading to high volatility and difficulty in buying and selling NFTs quickly.
- Environmental impact: The energy consumption associated with blockchain technology raises concerns about the environmental impact of NFTs.
- Scams and fraud: Like any new technology, the NFT space is susceptible to scams and fraudulent activity.
- Uncertainty of value: The long-term value of NFTs is uncertain, and they may be prone to bubbles and speculation.
- Limited functionality: The current use cases for NFTs are mainly focused on collectibles and art, with limited adoption in other areas.
- Legal and regulatory uncertainty: The legal and regulatory landscape surrounding NFTs is still evolving, creating uncertainty for investors and creators.
- Accessibility issues: The technical barriers to entry and the complexity of the technology can be a barrier for some potential users.

Conclusion

When it comes to writing a conclusion for an article about NFTs, it's important to summarize the main points and provide a clear and concise statement about the overall impact or significance of NFTs. NFTs have the potential to revolutionize the way we think about digital ownership and creativity, but it's important to carefully consider both the benefits and drawbacks before investing in or creating NFTs. It's also crucial to address the potential environmental concerns associated with NFTs and to work towards finding sustainable solutions. Overall, NFTs are an exciting and rapidly-evolving field with many potential applications and opportunities for growth While electric racing motors powered by solar panels offer numerous advantages, there are also some disadvantages associated with this technology. Here are several points to consider:

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RENEWABLE ENERGY

DUAL USE SOLAR SURFACES FOR LOCAL GRIDS AND NET ZERO DEVELOPMENT

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Abstract

Legacy approaches to energy management and distribution are ill suited to solar power. The history of hydro, nuclear and coal offer little to guide contemporary photovoltaics infrastructure deployment. Putting gigawatts of solar panels on the cheapest available real estate will have lasting negative consequences: new approaches are needed to avoid unnecessary, undesirable and both predictable and unpredictable environmental, social and economic side effects. Rather than taking over productive farmers' fields with gigawatt scale solar plantations that unbalance grids and introduce new transmission needs, the many sunny surfaces proximal to load should be pressed into dual-use: efficient pavement integrated photovoltaics (PIPV) avoid misappropriation of real-estate, do not affect current use or aesthetics of surfaces and require no transmission lines. We call this dual-use of high value real estate surface solar, and demonstrate the opportunity for superior IRR over traditional deployment.

Introduction

This innovative approach involves integrating solar infrastructure into existing spaces, thereby maximizing land utilization and promoting a harmonious coexistence between renewable energy generation and land use. This introduction will delve into the concept of dual-use solar surfaces, exploring its potential to revolutionize local energy grids and contribute significantly to net-zero development goals.

Fig. 1: Traditional Solar Panel[1]

As shown in fig. 1, traditional solar installations often require dedicated land, leading to concerns about competition for valuable space between energy production and other land uses. Dual-use solar surfaces

address this challenge by integrating photovoltaic technology into spaces that serve dual purposes. These surfaces can include agricultural lands, parking lots, water bodies, and even building facades. By tapping into underutilized areas, dual-use solar systems offer a synergistic approach that enhances overall land productivity.

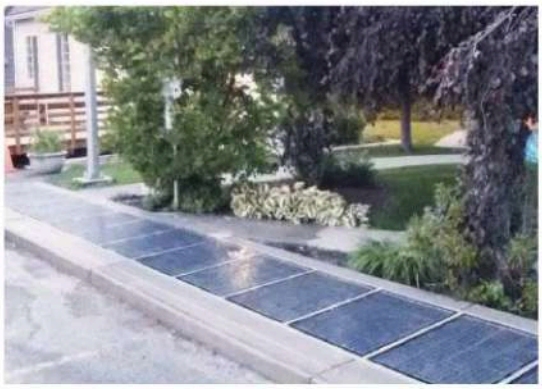

Fig. 2: Pavement Integrated Photovoltaic[1]

From the fig. 2, we can see that the pavement-integrated photovoltaics (PIPV), also known as solar roadways or solar pavement, is an innovative solution that involves embedding solar panels directly into road surfaces. By converting traditional road surfaces into solar energy generators, PIPV systems contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions associated with conventional energy sources.

As societies worldwide commit to ambitious net-zero development targets, the integration of dual-use solar surfaces emerges as a key strategy. By simultaneously addressing energy needs and land conservation, this approach aligns with sustainable development goals. The reduction in greenhouse gas emissions associated with traditional energy sources contributes to mitigating climate change, while the re-purposing of existing spaces minimizes the ecological footprint of renewable energy projects. Dual-use solar surfaces, therefore, represent a tangible and scalable solution for achieving net-zero emissions.

Dual-use solar surfaces contribute to the resilience of local grids by diversifying the energy generation portfolio. By distributing energy production across various spaces, communities become less vulnerable to centralized failures or disruptions. Advancements in technology, such as smart grid systems and energy storage solutions, play a pivotal role in optimizing the potential of dual-use solar surfaces. Integration with smart infrastructure allows for better management of energy distribution, storage during peak production times, and improved overall efficiency. This technological synergy enhances the reliability and effectiveness of dual-use solar installations.

Pavement Integrated Photovoltaic (PIPV)

As sunlight falls on the embedded solar panels, the photovoltaic cells convert solar energy into electricity through the well-known photovoltaic effect. This generated electricity is then collected and directed through an internal infrastructure within the road. The system may include advanced energy storage solutions, such as batteries or supercapacitors, to store excess energy during peak sunlight hours for later use. Simultaneously, PIPV systems often incorporate smart technologies, including sensors and LED lighting. These technologies provide real-time data on road conditions, traffic flow, and other parameters, contributing to intelligent transportation systems.

One notable feature of PIPV is its potential to support electric vehicle (EV) integration. Charging infrastructure embedded directly into the road surface offers a decentralized and convenient solution for EV users, addressing concerns related to range anxiety and expanding the accessibility of charging points. Additionally, certain PIPV designs integrate permeable surfaces, facilitating stormwater management by

allowing rainwater to pass through. This feature contributes to sustainable urban water management practices, enhancing the environmental impact of the infrastructure.

The durability and maintenance aspects of PIPV are critical considerations. Engineered to withstand the challenges of daily vehicular traffic and varying weather conditions, PIPV systems utilize materials chosen for their robustness and resistance to wear and tear, as shown in fig. 3. Periodic inspections ensure the integrity of the system, allowing for the timely identification and resolution of any potential issues.

Fig. 3: PIPV on a sidewalk[1]

Building Integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV)

Building-Integrated Photovoltaics (BIPV) showcase the potential for solar integration directly into the built environment. Solar-integrated roofs, facades, and windows turn buildings into active contributors to energy generation. These systems not only reduce the carbon footprint of structures but also contribute to on-site energy needs or feed excess energy back into the grid, promoting a more sustainable approach to construction and energy consumption, as shown in fig. 4.

Fig. 4: Building Integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV)

Advantages of PIPV

- Renewable Energy Generation: PIPV systems harness solar energy to generate electricity, contributing to the production of clean and renewable energy.
- Space Utilization: PIPV utilizes existing infrastructure, such as roadways, to generate solar power without occupying additional land or space.
- Urban Integration: PIPV can be integrated into urban environments, helping to address energy needs in densely populated areas where available land for traditional solar installations may be limited.
- Reduced Land Use Conflicts: Since PIPV uses existing surfaces like roads, it minimizes conflicts associated with land use that might arise with traditional solar installations in agricultural or residential areas.
- Increased Energy Independence: PIPV contributes to decentralizing energy production, reducing dependence on centralized power sources and enhancing energy security.

Disadvantages of PIPV

- High Installation and Maintenance Costs: The installation of PIPV systems can be expensive, including the cost of integrating solar panels into pavements and maintaining the infrastructure over time.
- Durability and Wear: Road surfaces are subject to heavy traffic, which can lead to wear and tear. PIPV systems must be designed to withstand the stresses of vehicular traffic, weather conditions, and other environmental factors.
- Efficiency Challenges: PIPV systems may not be as efficient as traditional solar installations due to factors such as shading from vehicles, limited exposure to sunlight, and the angle of the road surface.

Future Applications

Pavement-Integrated Photovoltaics (PIPV) holds great promise as it has the potential to revolutionize urban landscapes and energy ecosystems.

- Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Evolution:
  PIPV's potential to support electric vehicles is poised for significant growth. Roads equipped with PIPV could provide continuous charging for EVs, mitigating range anxiety and reducing the dependence on conventional charging stations. This evolution aligns with the increasing adoption of electric vehicles worldwide, as shown in fig. 5.

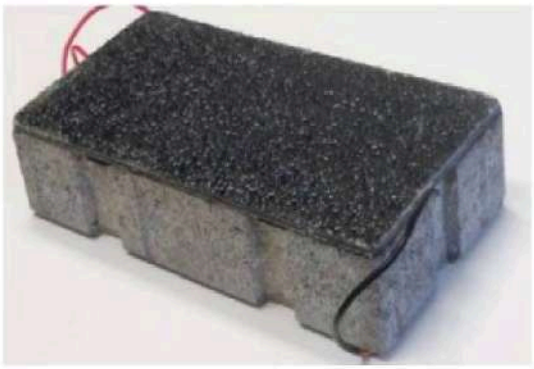

Fig. 5: PIPV[1]

- Widespread Urban Integration:
  As PIPV technology advances, its widespread integration into urban infrastructure is anticipated. Roads, sidewalks, and other paved surfaces in cities could become seamless solar energy generators, significantly contributing to local power needs.
- Rural and Off-Grid Applications:
  PIPV's potential extends beyond urban areas. In rural and off-grid locations, PIPV could provide a decentralized energy solution, powering remote communities and enhancing energy access where traditional grid infrastructure is challenging to implement.
- Smart Cities and Intelligent Transportation Systems:
  PIPV's integration with smart city initiatives is expected to grow since the technology can be further enhanced to incorporate intelligent transportation systems, where embedded sensors and data analytics contribute to real-time traffic management, parking availability, and overall urban planning efficiency.
- Innovative Roadway Design:
  The future could see innovative roadway designs that optimize PIPV efficiency. This might involve adapting road surfaces to maximize sunlight exposure, utilizing materials that enhance energy conversion, and exploring creative patterns or configurations to improve the overall performance of PIPV systems.

Conclusion

In conclusion, Pavement-Integrated Photovoltaics (PIPV) represents a groundbreaking application of dual-use solar surfaces, offering a multifaceted solution to contemporary challenges in energy generation and urban infrastructure. The integration of solar panels directly into road surfaces has the potential to reshape our urban landscapes, providing a range of benefits that extend beyond traditional photovoltaic installations. PIPV not only harnesses renewable energy from existing infrastructure but also addresses key issues related to land use, sustainability, and decentralized power generation.

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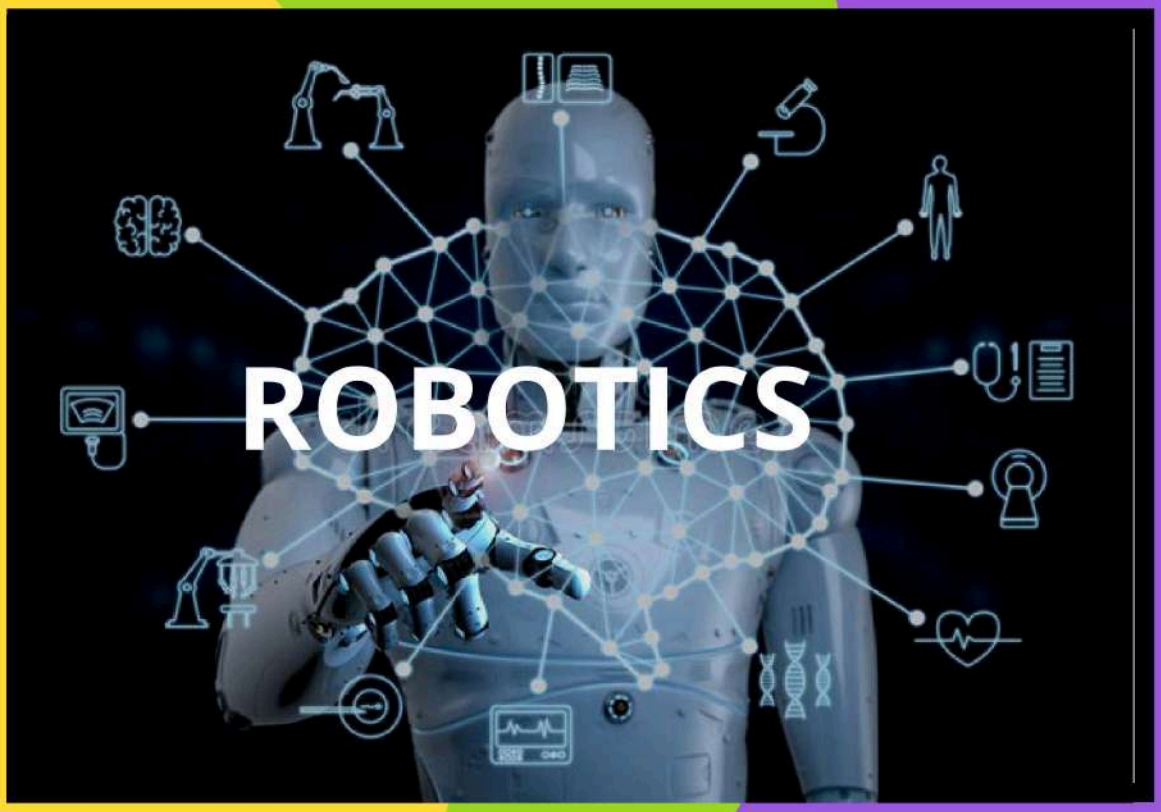
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SWARM DRONES

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Abstract

Swarm drones is a concept that originates from the behavior of insects and involves the coordination of several small unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) to achieve effective goals and actions. These drones communicate with each other via wireless networks and use algorithms to coordinate, allowing them to perform tasks such as surveillance, search and rescue, environmental protection and entertainment. Drone swarms offer the benefits of a large drone, including repeatability, maneuverability, flexibility and more. But they also present challenges in communication, coordination, collision avoidance and general management. Research and development of swarm drone technology continues to seek solutions to these problems in order to expand its potential for a variety of civilian and military applications.

Introduction

SWARM stands for "Smart Warfighting Array" and represents a revolution in modern warfare that uses the intelligence of multiple drones to transform conflicts. At its core, SWARM technology harnesses the combined power of micro and micro drones, allowing them to operate autonomously and make decisions based on shared data. This collective intelligence, driven by advances in machine learning and artificial intelligence (AI), is driving drones' struggle to adapt to changes in technology, fight, compete unmatched, and provide great value.

SWARM strategy ushers in a new era of warfare involving decision making and coordinated operations of multiple drones. Unlike traditional military operations that rely on centralized structures, SWARM technology allows drones to collaborate instantly, sharing information and insight to achieve desired results with efficiency and effectiveness.

With their small size and high maneuverability, SWARM drones can navigate harsh environments, penetrate enemy defenses and carry out targeted attacks with minimal risk to the same persons operating. In addition, group work has the feature of improving repetition and repeatability, ensuring the continuity of the task even if there is an interruption or loss[1].

As machine learning and artificial intelligence continue to evolve, SWARM technology has the potential to revolutionize the battlefield, providing the military with unprecedented capabilities to observe, search, target and even attack. But it also raises moral and ethical issues regarding the consequences of autonomous weapons use and the potential for escalation of conflict situations. But the development and operation of SWARM drones represents a pivotal moment in the evolution of warfare and ushers in a new era of deployment, intelligence and flexibility for the military service.

Swarm drones, as depicted in Fig 1, are revolutionizing various industries with their collective intelligence and coordinated capabilities. From military reconnaissance missions to precision agriculture and entertainment displays, these autonomous aerial systems are reshaping the way tasks are performed. With the ability to operate independently, communicate seamlessly, and adapt to changing environments, swarm

drones offer unparalleled efficiency and effectiveness. Whether it's searching for survivors in disaster zones, monitoring crop health in agricultural fields, or creating mesmerizing light shows in the sky, swarm drones demonstrate the power of collaborative technology in addressing diverse challenges and enhancing human endeavors.

Fig. 1: (Examples of Swarm Drones) (Courtesy : India Today)

How do swarm of drones work?

A drone swarm represents a group of drones working together to achieve a common goal. Swarms represent decentralized collaboration where each drone plays an important role in achieving the swarm's goal. Communication in the swarm is important as a drone instantly reports information about the environment and target needs to other drones[2]. This information sharing allows drones to synchronize their actions, adapt to changes and complete their missions effectively.

The three types of swarm drones as mentioned in Fig 2, centralized, decentralized (semi-autonomous) and decentralized (fully autonomous) differ in their organizational structure and degree of autonomy.

- **Centralised** : Centralized swarms rely on a central control or command center to control the actions of individual drones. The controller processes data from all drones and issues commands accordingly, maintaining tight coordination but creating a malfunction system.
- **Decentralized (semi autonomous)** : Decentralized (semi-autonomous) swarms distribute decision-making authority to the drones themselves; Each unit can communicate directly with other units and make simple decisions autonomously. Although less dependent on a central controller, these groups still require some level of human attention and intervention.
- **Decentralised (fully autonomous)** : Decentralized (fully autonomous) swarms operate with minimal human intervention and leverage advanced algorithms and artificial intelligence to help drones make complex decisions independently. These groups are flexible and can operate even without communicating with central control.

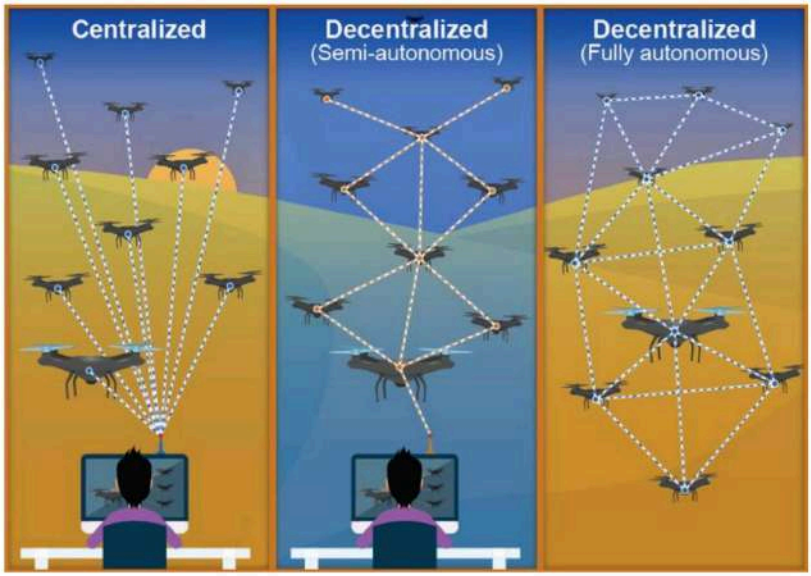

Fig. 2: (Types of Swarm Drones) (Courtesy : GAO (analysis))

Features of Swarm drones

- **Scalability** :A drone swarm can be as small as a few drones or as large as hundreds or thousands of drones. The scalability of Swarm technology makes it flexible to adapt to different projects and environments.
- **Autonomy** : Drone swarms are designed to operate independently of human control. They use artificial intelligence (AI) and complex systems to coordinate and make decisions; this allows them to complete complex tasks and respond quickly to changing situations.
- **Redundancy** :One drone in a group can compensate for the absence or failure of other drones. Because of this redundancy, the cluster is robust and can continue operating even if some drones fail or break down.
- **Communication and coordination** : Drone swarms form communication networks to exchange information and coordinate. This facilitates efficient division of labor, collaborative decision-making, and improved situational awareness.

The Advantages of drone clusters

* **Redundancy** : With multiple drones operating together, a drone cluster can maintain mission continuity even if individual drones fail or are compromised. This redundancy enhances reliability and ensures that tasks can be completed even in challenging conditions.
* **Scalability** : Drone clusters can easily scale in size to adapt to the needs of a mission. Additional drones can be added to increase coverage area, enhance data collection capabilities, or improve task efficiency without significantly increasing operational complexity.
* **Flexibility** : The collective nature of drone clusters allows them to dynamically adjust their formations, trajectories, and behaviors in response to changing mission requirements or environmental conditions. This flexibility enables drone clusters to effectively navigate complex terrain, avoid obstacles, and optimize resource utilization.
* **Efficiency** : By working together and sharing information, drone clusters can accomplish tasks more efficiently than individual drones or traditional aircraft. They can divide complex tasks

among multiple drones, coordinate their actions to maximize productivity, and leverage swarm intelligence to find optimal solutions.

* **Distributed Coverage** :Drone clusters can cover larger areas and gather more comprehensive data compared to single drones or fixed-wing aircraft. By distributing sensors across multiple drones, they can collect data from different perspectives simultaneously, providing a more complete picture of the operational environment.
* **Adaptability** : Drone clusters can be customized and configured to suit a wide range of missions and applications, including surveillance, search and rescue, environmental monitoring, precision agriculture, and disaster response. Their adaptability makes them versatile tools for various industries and sectors.

Overall, drone clusters offer a powerful combination of redundancy, scalability, flexibility, efficiency, distributed coverage, and adaptability, making them valuable assets for a wide range of civilian and military applications.

The Disadvantages of drone clusters

- **Complexity** : Managing and coordinating a large number of drones within a cluster can be highly complex. It requires sophisticated algorithms, communication protocols, and control systems to ensure effective coordination and avoid collisions. As the size of the cluster increases, so does the complexity of managing it. .
- **Communication Vulnerabilities** : Drone clusters rely on wireless communication networks to exchange information and coordinate their actions. However, these communication links can be susceptible to interference, jamming, or cyber attacks, potentially disrupting the operation of the entire cluster.
- **Dependency on Centralized Control** : In some cases, drone clusters may rely on a centralized control system to orchestrate their actions. This centralized dependency creates a single point of failure, as any disruption to the central controller can incapacitate the entire cluster.
- **Cost** : Building and maintaining a drone cluster can be expensive, especially when considering the costs of purchasing, operating, and maintaining multiple drones, as well as the infrastructure required to support them.
- **Regulatory Challenges** :Operating drone clusters may pose regulatory challenges, as aviation authorities may impose restrictions on the use of multiple drones in shared airspace. Compliance with regulations, such as airspace restrictions, licensing requirements, and safety protocols, can add complexity and administrative burden to drone cluster operations.
- **Ethical and Privacy Concerns** : The use of drone clusters for surveillance or military purposes may raise ethical and privacy concerns. The widespread deployment of drones equipped with cameras or sensors can intrude on individuals' privacy and raise questions about data collection, surveillance practices, and potential misuse of collected information

Overall, while drone clusters offer significant advantages in terms of efficiency, scalability, and versatility, addressing these potential disadvantages is essential to ensure their safe and effective deployment in various applications.

Example of Drone Swarm Tech in Real world

So far, drone swarms have been used in many applications around the world. Blyant , a Barcelona-based swarm forecasting startup, completed the world's first outdoor demonstration featuring 100 independent flights in 2018. A good example of military use was in 2017, when quadcopters were used to launch cyber attacks against the Islamic State (ISIS). The US military's use of its units is too limited to focus on strategy and precaution. A later example is the Navy's low-cost drone swarm innovation (Beetle), which sends out a large barrage of rockets that can travel as far as two miles.

Fig. 3: Example of military application (Courtesy: Defense Procurement International)

Application of Drone Swarms

- Potential military uses Although roving drones are mostly unmanned drones for commercial use, drone swarms have many military uses. They can be used for surveillance operations, tracking operations, and targeting enemy forces or facilities. Drone swarms can also be used to detect areas where hidden weapons are located to create shields or thwart attacks, which becomes a problem in material conflicts. In some areas, a single interaction of drones can defeat the entire controller.
- Surveillance and Security Drone swarms provide better monitoring capabilities over large areas, complex systems or open situations. They can analyze the drill from different points, track different targets simultaneously and provide real-time information to security personnel.
- Agricultural teams equipped with different sensors and cameras can collect information about healthy pruning, soil and water needs.This information allows farmers to make in-

formed choices, optimize asset allocation and increase overall profitability.

- Transportation and logistics teams can transform the transportation industry by planning shipments, improving routes and reducing loading times. By working together with different drones, they can divide the work and carry out the next transportation job.

Conclution

Drone swarms represent a significant technological advancement in unmanned aerial vehicles, offering autonomous operation, seamless communication, and efficient task completion across various industries. As technology evolves, further developments in swarm intelligence algorithms, communication protocols, and sensor capabilities will enable drone swarms to tackle even more complex tasks and operate in challenging environments. However, it is crucial to approach the integration of drone swarms with a holistic perspective, considering not only their technical capabilities but also the ethical, legal, and societal implications they entail. Striking a balance between innovation and responsible use is key to unlocking the full potential of drone swarm technology while addressing concerns related to privacy, security, and public acceptance.

Currently, defense systems are grappling with the challenge of countering swarm drone threats, as traditional methods like defense weapons and rockets are ineffective against large numbers of drones. However, ongoing research aims to develop effective countermeasures, with promising avenues in the electronic and communication domains. It is only a matter of time before viable counter UAV systems are developed to mitigate the impact of swarm drone threats, demonstrating the iterative nature of technological advancements and the ongoing pursuit of innovation and security.

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SURGICAL ROBOTICS

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Abstract

Surgical robotics has become a technology that is changing traditional surgical procedures in medicine. This summary explores advances in robotic surgery, including robotic surgery, remote control, and robotics. Integration of artificial intelligence and machine learning improves patient outcomes by increasing accuracy and reducing resistance. Challenges related to cost, training, and ethical considerations are also discussed, highlighting the continued development and innovation potential of robotic surgery.

Introduction

Robotic surgery stands as a revolutionary advancement in the field of medicine, reshaping the landscape of surgical practice with its amalgamation of cutting-edge technologies[1]. At its core, robotic surgery harnesses the power of robotics, artificial intelligence (AI), and miniaturized instrumentation to redefine the boundaries of surgical precision and capability. Unlike traditional procedures that rely solely on the manual dexterity of human hands, robotic surgery empowers surgeons with enhanced vision, control, and maneuverability, enabling procedures with unprecedented accuracy and finesse.

Central to its efficacy is the utilization of robotic arms equipped with miniature surgical instruments controlled by the surgeon from a console. This setup offers several advantages, including increased dexterity, tremor filtration, and motion scaling, allowing for intricate maneuvers within confined anatomical spaces. Furthermore, the integration of AI algorithms provides real-time feedback, predictive analytics, and decision support, augmenting the surgeon's capabilities and optimizing surgical outcomes.

The impact of robotic surgery transcends individual procedures, extending across diverse surgical specialties such as urology, gynecology, cardiothoracic, and general surgery. Its versatility and adaptability have led to its widespread adoption in both routine and complex interventions, ranging from prostatectomies and hysterectomies to mitral valve repairs and colorectal surgeries.

Moreover, robotic surgery offers tangible benefits for patients, including reduced postoperative pain, shorter hospital stays, faster recovery times, and improved cosmetic outcomes due to smaller incisions. Additionally, its minimally invasive nature minimizes tissue trauma, lowers the risk of infection, and decreases blood loss, leading to overall better patient experiences and outcomes.

As robotic technology continues to evolve, it holds the promise of further refining surgical techniques, expanding access to care, and advancing the frontiers of medical innovation. Ultimately, robotic surgery represents not only a paradigm shift in surgical practice but also a testament to the transformative potential of interdisciplinary collaboration and technological innovation in healthcare.

Da Vinci Surgical System

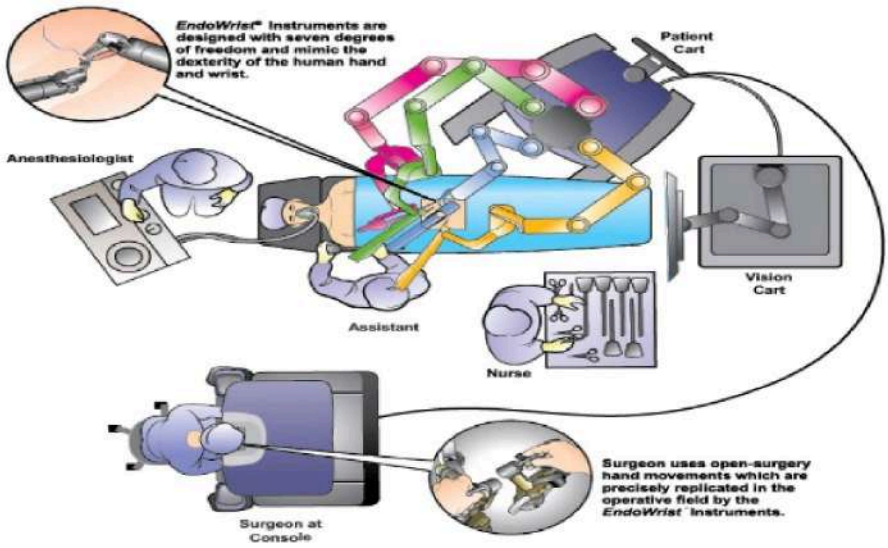

Fig. 1: (Da Vinci Surgical System) (Courtesy : science museum UK)

The Da Vinci Surgical System Fig:1, created by Intuitive Surgical, represents a pinnacle in surgical robotics, enabling minimally invasive procedures across diverse specialties[1]. Comprising a console where the surgeon operates, a patient cart housing robotic arms, and an endoscopic camera, the system offers unparalleled precision and control. Through the console, surgeons manipulate the robotic arms, which replicate their hand movements with enhanced accuracy and flexibility. This precision allows for intricate maneuvers, resulting in smaller incisions, reduced blood loss, and faster recovery times compared to traditional open surgeries.

The system's versatility extends its application to various surgical disciplines, including urology, gynecology, cardiothoracic, and general surgery. Its efficacy in performing complex procedures, such as prostatectomies and hysterectomies, has propelled its widespread adoption and continuous advancement in robotic surgery.

The Da Vinci Surgical System represents a paradigm shift in surgical practice, offering tangible benefits for both patients and surgeons. Patients experience reduced pain, shorter hospital stays, and improved cosmetic outcomes, while surgeons benefit from enhanced visualization and precision, leading to safer and more efficient procedures. As technology evolves, the Da Vinci system continues to push the boundaries of surgical innovation, driving progress in the field of robotic surgery and improving patient care worldwide.

Mako surgical system

Fig. 2: (Mako surgical system) (Courtesy : sec.gov)

The Mako Surgical System Fig:2, pioneered by Stryker, represents a groundbreaking advancement in orthopedic surgery, particularly in joint replacement procedures. By seamlessly integrating robotic assistance with state-of-the-art 3D imaging technology, the system revolutionizes the process of bone preparation and implantation. Surgeons leverage the system's robotic arm to precisely execute preoperative plans, enhancing the accuracy and reproducibility of surgical procedures[1].

One of the system's key features is its ability to provide real-time feedback to surgeons, enabling them to make on-the-spot adjustments and optimize implant positioning during surgery. This instantaneous feedback loop enhances surgical precision and ultimately leads to improved patient outcomes.

The Mako system holds the promise of transforming knee and hip replacement surgeries by offering greater accuracy, improved implant fit, and enhanced stability. With its ability to tailor surgical plans to each patient's unique anatomy, the system minimizes complications, reduces the need for revision surgeries, and enhances long-term implant survival rates. Moreover, patients benefit from shorter recovery times, reduced pain, and increased mobility, leading to higher levels of satisfaction and improved quality of life post-surgery.

As the Mako Surgical System continues to evolve and gain widespread adoption, it signifies a paradigm shift in orthopedic surgery, ushering in an era of personalized, precision medicine that holds the potential to revolutionize joint replacement outcomes for patients worldwide.

ROSA SURGICAL ROBOT

Fig. 3: (Rosa Surgical Robot) (Courtesy : research gate)

The ROSA (Robotic Surgical Assistant) robot Fig:3, developed by Medtronic, represents a significant advancement in neurosurgery and minor surgical procedures. By integrating cutting-edge robotic technologies with sophisticated imaging resources, ROSA facilitates complex operations on the brain and spine with unprecedented precision and efficacy. Its adaptable design allows surgeons to optimize surgical instrument orientation and placement, enhancing the accuracy of procedures and ultimately improving patient outcomes.

One of ROSA's key strengths lies in its ability to merge real-time information with 3D imaging data, enabling surgeons to meticulously plan and execute surgeries with unparalleled accuracy and confidence. This integration of advanced technology not only streamlines surgical workflows but also minimizes the risk of complications and maximizes the likelihood of successful outcomes.

In neurosurgery, where precision is paramount, ROSA serves as a invaluable ally, empowering surgeons to navigate intricate anatomical structures with greater ease and accuracy. By providing surgeons with enhanced visualization and robotic assistance, ROSA opens new avenues for performing intricate neurosurgical interventions with greater safety and efficacy.

Overall, the ROSA robot exemplifies the transformative potential of robotic assistance in enhancing surgical practice, particularly in neurosurgery, and underscores the ongoing evolution of medical technology toward personalized, precision-driven healthcare delivery.

Advantages

- **APrecision** : Robots provide high precision and accuracy during surgical procedures, reducing the risk of human error.
- **Minimally invasive** : Robotic systems allow smaller incisions, resulting in less scarring, less pain and faster recovery time for patients.
- **Improved Visualization** : Surgeons benefit from 3D visualization and expansion capability that provides a detailed view of the surgical field.
- **Reduce Blood Loss** : The precise control provided by robotic devices can reduce blood loss during surgery.
- **Integration Strategy** : Considered to be assembled to bring out a smooth strategy.
- **Distal surgery** : SSome machines allow surgeons to work remotely and perform surgery from multiple locations.

Disadvantages

- **Cost** : Robotic systems can be expensive to acquire and maintain and can limit access to advanced healthcare.
- **Training** : Surgeons need special training to operate robotic systems correctly, which can take a long time.
- **Technical problems** : Malfunctions or technical malfunctions may occur that must be corrected immediately to avoid problems during the surgery.
- **Limited Haptic Feedback** : Surgeons may experience a lack of tactile feedback compared to traditional surgery, which may affect their perception of touch.
- **Dependency on technology** : If the system does not work or is not available, surgeons have to return to traditional methods, which indicates dependence on technology. These factors should be carefully considered when deciding whether to adopt robotic surgery in a particular clinical setting.

Conclusion

Surgical robots stand as vanguards in medical innovation, reshaping surgery with enhanced precision and minimally invasive approaches. These technologies hold promise in augmenting patient outcomes and redefining surgical norms, marking a pivotal shift in healthcare. As research progresses, the integration of robotic surgery heralds a new healthcare era, equipping surgeons with potent tools to navigate intricate procedures critical to patient well-being. Through their unparalleled accuracy and dexterity, surgical robots are poised to transform how surgeries are performed, offering a pathway to safer, more efficient treatments. This convergence of robotics and medicine not only enhances surgical capabilities but also fosters a future where healthcare is characterized by heightened precision and improved patient care.

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High Efficient ACS Unit Using Carry Based Approximate Adder

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Abstract

Low-power devices are in significant demand in digital communication systems. One of the most important components of digital communication systems is the ACS unit. Two adders are used in the Add-Compare-Select (ACS) circuit to add the first and second register values to the first branch metric value, respectively. A decision bit is generated by a comparator comparing the values stored in the first and second adders; a multiplexer selects either the first addition result or the second addition result as a new output metric based on the decision bit. The standard adder was replaced with a carry-based approximate adder in the suggested method, which reduced delay, area, and memory utilization. The circuit is designed in VHDL, and simulations are performed in Xilinx ISE 14.7.

Keywords: ACS, Approximate Adder, VHDL.

Introduction

In the today's digital Communication, data transmitting between the systems play an important role, as the technologies are increasing day-by-day the number of usage of Viterbi is also simultaneously increasing. This wide usage leads to major issues in the digital communication systems and it results in data corruptions. The viterbi algorithm decodes the process while also effectively rectifying it. Convolution codes must be decoded. The most well-known algorithm is the Viterbi algorithm. The software and hardware implementations of this algorithm will be described. The digital systems present well-organized communications and efficient data to engage well-organized communications. Data corruption is a major issue that digital communication systems must deal with. The only way to reduce data corruption is to use error-correcting codes. Almost all communication systems adopted this technology because of its ability to efficiently decode; even the Viterbi algorithm requires extremely common hardware. While the decoding operation is in progress, the functioning obstacles will be removed, allowing for the adoption of a more advanced approach, the Viterbi Algorithm. Because this technique is particularly effective in high-speed tasks, decoding codes can be done very quickly. The maximum probability decoding procedure is employed by AVA to obtain a probable code sequence. The hardware description language (HDL), which is one of the hardware descriptive languages, is utilized to evaluate this project. This language is used to develop electronic systems for the semiconductor and electronic design industries, as well as to ensure the analogue and mixed signal circuits are working properly. A branch metric unit is included in the decoder for calculating branch metrics from the received convolutional data. From branch metrics and a previous state metric, an add-compare-select unit chooses current and next path selection information and produces a current state metric and a next state metric of the punctured data. A trace back unit follows the current and next path selection information from the add-compare select unit to find a maximum likelihood path

from whence the convolutional data was received, and then outputs decoded data. To the branch metric unit, the add-compare-select unit, and the trace back unit, a controller generates a number of decoding control signals.

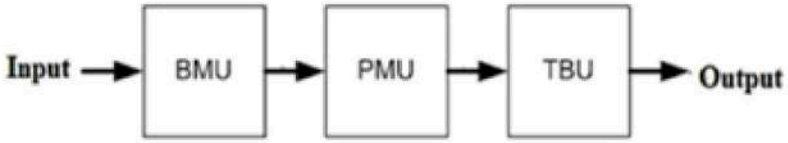

Fig. 1: Basic block diagram Of Viterbi decoder

Related Work

Manickam Ramasamy et al. [1] discuss a new gate level logic modification strategy for full adder approximation that takes use of the numerical exactness relaxation. By introducing a carry based approximation adder (CBAA) to omit the essential XOR operation in the conventional full adder, the total term of the conventional full adder is changed to minimize area complexity. Propose several imprecise approximate type complete adders with reduced gate complexity and use them to develop approximate multi bit adders to demonstrate this notion. Akash Thakur et al. [2] presents a digital design conversion of a Viterbi decoder for a 12 rate convolutional encoder with constraint length k = 3. VHDL is used to code the design, which is then simulated and synthesized using XILINX ISE 14.7. The design's maximum operating frequency, according to synthesis results, is 100.725 MHz when compared to the traditional method, the memory required is lower. To make the system asynchronous, Surekha K. Tadse et al. [3] devised the Minimum Transition Hybrid Register Exchange Method for survivor path storing and decoding, as well as the Level Encoded Dual Rail (LEDR) encoding handshaking protocol. The entire system was created on an algorithmic level, and simulation was performed using MTHREM and the Xilinx Tool for Asynchronous Viterbi Decoder. K. S. Arunlal et al.introduce a modified fangled goes one step further by adding one bit error correction and detection at the penalty of double the computational complexity and processing time. This work proposes a new efficient fangled Viterbi algorithm with reduced complexity and processing time, as well as 2 bit error correction capabilities. Jinjin He et al. propose a pre-computation architecture for VD that incorporates the T-algorithm and effectively reduces power consumption without sacrificing decoding performance. The implementation result of a VD for a rate-3/4 convolutional code employed in a TCM system reveals that the pre-computation design improves power consumption when compared to the complete trellis Viterbi decoder. Based on a hybrid logic asynchronous pipeline design strategy, Mansi Jhamb et al. offers a resilient deep- pipelined Add-Compare-Select (ACS) Unit. The primary deadlock on the performance of the decoder hardware is the Add-Compare-Select operation. The suggested structure allows the ACS units, and therefore the Viterbi Decoder, to operate at faster throughput and lower latency, thanks to the QDI-based realization of the ACS unit Method and analysis which is performed in your research work should be written in this section. A simple strategy to follow is to use keywords from your title in first few sentences.

Approximate Computing

Approximate computing is a computation approach that delivers a potentially erroneous result rather than a guaranteed accurate answer, and it can be employed in situations where an approximate result is

Type	Delay(nS)	TMU(kB)	No: of LUT	I/O Ports
Conventional Adder	5.776	200308	2	5
Carry Based Adder I	5.753	200500	1	4
Carry Based Adder II	5.601	200308	0	2
Carry Based Adder III	5.753	199924	1	4
Carry Based Adder IV	5.753	199860	1	4

TABLE I: Performance parameters of Existing and carry based approximate adders

sufficient. For example, with a search engine, there may be no perfect response for a particular search query, and hence several results may be appropriate. Similarly, due to human perceptual limits, the occasional dropping of some in a video program may go undetected. Approximate computing is based on the notion that, while accurate calculation costs a substantial amount of resources in many cases, permitting bounded approximation can yield disproportionate performance and energy gains while still obtaining acceptable results. Hardware overhead can be reduced by using approximate adders, multipliers, and other logical circuits.

Conventional adder Figure 2 depicts a one-bit conventional full adder made up of two XOR gates, two AND gates, and one OR gate. The following are the Boolean expressions that were used.

$$sum = a * b * c \tag{1}$$

$$carry = (a.b) + (a * b.cin) \tag{2}$$

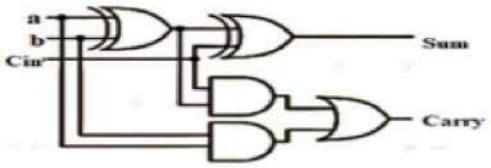

Fig. 2: Basic block diagram Of Viterbi decoder

Carry based approximate adder

Unlike traditional designs, an approximation logic implementation modifies some truth table entries [1]. Calculate the total term from the carry term to propose a new form of approximate adder. One XOR gate, two AND gates, and one OR gate are replaced with a single OR gate and AND gate in approximation for carry calculation. The sum term is calculated by inverting the carry term with an inverter. This simplifies things even more while keeping the difference between the original and approximation values as close as possible in more circumstances.

Low-power applications can benefit from a carry-based approximate adder. In comparison to a traditional adder, the carry-based adder is more efficient [1]. The results reveal that, there has been a significant reduction in delay, area, and total memory usage. As a result, approximation architecture requires less area, delay and is easier to implement for hardware structures.

Carry-based approximate adder II has less area and delay, and carry based approximate adder IV has less memory use, according to the comparison chart. Continue with carry based approximate adder II and carry based approximate adder IV in the suggested design. Performance parameters of Existing and carry based approximate adders as shown in table 1.

Existing ACS Unit

The main function of the Add Compare Select (ACS) unit is to calculate the metrics and courses that have been chosen The ACS unit repeatedly converts branch measurements to path metrics for all incoming pathways in each state and picks the path with the lowest path metric as the survivor path. Figure 4.1 depicts an ACS module. The two adders calculate each branch's partial path metric, the comparator compares the two partial metrics, and the selector chooses the best branch. The non-survivor purge block deletes the local winners, whereas the best winner search block selects the one with the best (minimum) path metric among all the winners.

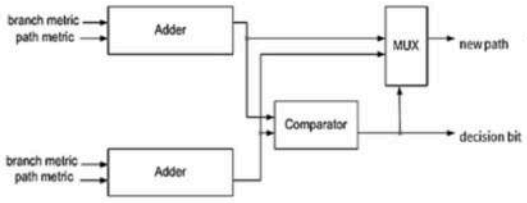

Fig. 3: Conventional ACS Unit

Proposed ACS Unit

In this study, the two types of carry-based approximate adders presented in [1] were used to create the ACS Unit. Both approaches are centered on reducing the hardware by modifying the truth table of the accurate adders. In design 1, the traditional adder is replaced with a carry-based approximate adder II, which reduces the amount of hardware and memory used, and hence the delay.

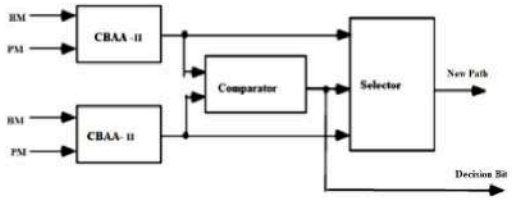

Fig. 4: Approximate Add-compare –select unit Design 1

In design 2, the traditional adder is replaced with a carry-based approximate adder IV, which reduces the amount of hardware and delay.

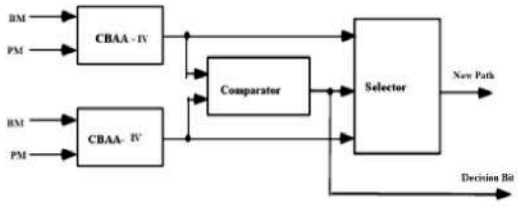

Fig. 5: Approximate Add-compare –select unit Design

Result And Discussion

In this section, the designs of the proposed ACS Unit in Section V are evaluated. The proposed ASC Units are simulated and synthesized using Xilinx software. As can be seen from the table above, the proposed ACS Unit's delay and area is significantly less than that of the existing ACS Unit. The proposed ACS Unit design 1 with carry based approximation adder II consumes less memory usage than the proposed ACS Unit design 2 with carry based approximate adder IV, as shown in the table above. The proposed ACS Unit design 2 utilizing carry based approximation adder IV is faster area efficient than the proposed ACS Unit design 1 using carry based approximation adder II, according to the analysis. Performance parameters of Conventional and approximate ACS Unit as shown in table 2.

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Data Path: e to y
                              Gate     Net
  Cell:in->out      fanout    Delay    Delay  Logical Name (Net Name)
  ----------------------------------------  ------------
   IBUF:I->O             1    1.106    0.509  e_IBUF (e_IBUF)
   LUT3:I0->O            2    0.612    0.449  U4/c1 (s4)
   LUT4:I1->O            1    0.612    0.357  U13/c1 (y_OBUF)
   OBUF:I->O                  3.169           y_OBUF (y)
  ----------------------------------------
  Total                       6.814ns (5.499ns logic, 1.315ns route)
                                      (80.7% logic, 19.3% route)

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Total REAL time to Xst completion: 4.00 secs
Total CPU time to Xst completion: 3.66 secs

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Total memory usage is 4505040 kilobytes
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Fig. 6: Synthesis result of Approximate ACS Unit Design 1

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Delay:               6.752ns (Levels of Logic = 4)
  Source:            cin (PAD)
  Destination:       y (PAD)

  Data Path: cin to y
                              Gate     Net
    Cell:in->out      fanout  Delay    Delay  Logical Name (Net Name)
    ----------------------------------------  ------------
     IBUF:I->O             1    1.106    0.509  cin_IBUF (cin_IBUF)
     LUT3:I0->O            1    0.612    0.387  U17/c_SW0 (N2)
     LUT4:I2->O            1    0.612    0.357  U17/c (y_OBUF)
     OBUF:I->O                  3.169           y_OBUF (y)
    ----------------------------------------
    Total                       6.752ns (5.499ns logic, 1.253ns route)
                                        (81.4% logic, 18.6% route)

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Total REAL time to Xst completion: 6.00 secs
Total CPU time to Xst completion: 5.77 secs

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Total memory usage is 4506000 kilobytes
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Fig. 7: Synthesis result of Approximate ACS Unit Design 2

Type	Delay(nS)	TMU(kB)	No of LUT	I/O Ports
Conventional ACS	6.968	4505936	4	9
Approximate ACS Design 1	6.814	4505040	3	8
Approximate ACS Design 2	6.752	4506000	2	8

TABLE II: Performance parameters of Conventional and approximate ACS Unit

Conclusion

Two estimated ACS Units were proposed in this paper. The suggested approximate ACS Unit (1) employs a Second approximation Adder. It uses less space, time, and memory than the existing ACS Unit. The fourth approximate adder is used in the proposed ACS unit design (2). In comparison to the conventional ACS Unit, it consumes less area and delay. It consumes more memory than the current ACS Unit. The proposed ACS Unit design (1) or ACS Unit design (2) might be chosen depending on the application requirements. When compared to the existing approximate ACS Unit design, the proposed ACS Unit design (1) and (2) performs well.

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