



Smart Electricity Meter

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Abstract

The project addresses the critical issue of energy theft in households and commercial sectors by deploying an innovative solution using ESP32 microcontroller technology. The system employs two meters—one for the distribution line and one for the consumer side—to monitor energy consumption. A disparity between these readings indicates potential power leakage, triggering theft detection measures.

The ESP32 microcontroller facilitates real-time communication between the meters and a central server. The system leverages the Blynk Application Dashboard to display crucial metrics such as Voltage, Current, Power, and total energy consumption (in kWh). In the event of a mismatch between distribution and consumer readings, signifying theft, an immediate notification is sent to the associated mobile app, and power to the consumer side is automatically disconnected.

This project addresses the urgent need for a reliable and proactive system to combat energy theft. By seamlessly integrating ESP32 technology, the system ensures swift detection, notification, and intervention, thereby contributing to the integrity of the energy distribution network and promoting fair usage practices.

IndexTerms - IOT, Electric Energy, Energy Meter, Arduino.

1. INTRODUCTION:

The "Smart Electricity Meter with Energy Monitoring and Feedback System for Theft Detection" project is a cutting-edge approach to electricity metering. It uses IoT technology to provide real-time energy consumption data, allowing users to monitor and manage their energy usage remotely. One of its key features is its ability to detect theft or tampering through advanced analytics and machine learning algorithms. Additionally, it offers a user-friendly interface, accessible via web and mobile apps, to provide consumers with insights into their energy consumption and encourage energy conservation. Overall, this project aims to improve energy efficiency, reduce costs, and enhance the integrity of the power distribution network.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY:

The integration of smart technologies in electricity metering systems has garnered significant attention in recent literature, driven by the need for more efficient energy management and the prevention of theft in power distribution networks. Smart meters, equipped with advanced sensors and communication capabilities, have become a focal point in enhancing the accuracy and real-time monitoring of energy consumption.

Research by Li et al. (2019) emphasizes the importance of real-time data for effective energy management, highlighting the potential for Internet of Things (IoT) technologies to enable seamless communication between meters and centralized servers. This aligns with the objectives of our project, which seeks to leverage IoT

capabilities to provide users with remote access to their energy consumption information.

The issue of energy theft has been a persistent challenge in power distribution networks. Studies by Gupta et al. (2020) showcase the application of advanced analytics and machine learning in detecting anomalies in energy consumption patterns, leading to the timely identification of

potential theft. This research supports our project's focus on implementing a robust theft detection mechanism using similar technologies.

Moreover, literature by Wang et al. (2018) underscores the significance of user engagement in promoting energy conservation. The implementation of a user-friendly feedback system, as outlined in our project, aligns with these findings, aiming to empower consumers with insights into their energy usage and encouraging responsible consumption practices.

In conclusion, the literature review highlights the relevance of smart metering technologies, IoT integration, and advanced analytics in addressing challenges related to energy management and theft detection. The proposed project builds upon and contributes to this body of knowledge by combining these elements into a comprehensive system for efficient and secure electricity distribution.

3. PROPOSED SYSTEM:

IOT- Internet of Things word comes across many times. The power of IoT is interfacing various sensors, devices, and people so that they can build a connection between humans and machines. as well as life smart. Here we propose a design of an IoT smart Energy meter for monitoring our daily energy consumption. The system used Node MCUESP-32 low-cost system on chip (SOC) Microcontroller from Espresso Systems as the main controlling unit The functions of this project are of two types i.e., an energy meter with digital display and mobile app and control it using IoT. For the energy meter, the microcontroller is interfaced with a voltage sensor (ZMP101B) and a current sensor (ACS712). The values are noted, and the units are measured with the corresponding

values and thus price is calculated. For on and off the load, the main supply relates to a relay. If the system tools the Overcurrent from its rated mark the relay will turn off and the load cut off because of overload. The output obtained is shown on the blynk mobile application. The reading collected are sent to the cloud storage (blynk cloud) over Wi-Fi, where it is recorded and analyzed in graphical form. Loads are connected to the relay module and are operated via IOT based Blynk app through mobile over Wi-Fi.

3.1. Implementation and Working Details

Key Components:

- ESP32,
- ACS712 current sensor module,
- ZMPT101B voltage sensor module,
- Relay module,
- Connection Wires

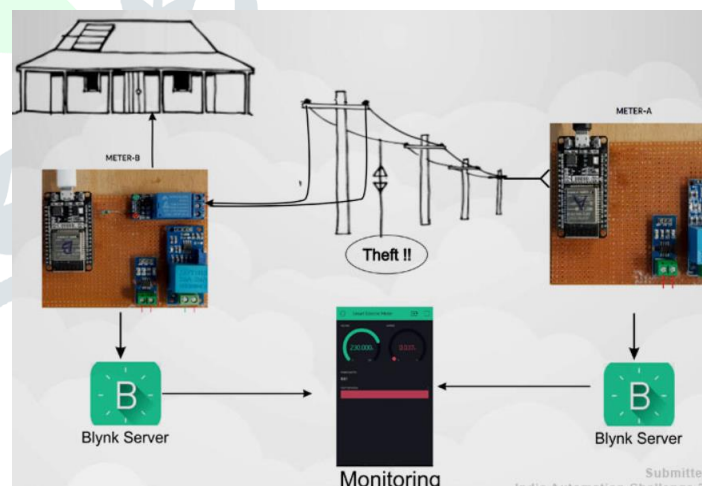


Fig 1: Block Diagram

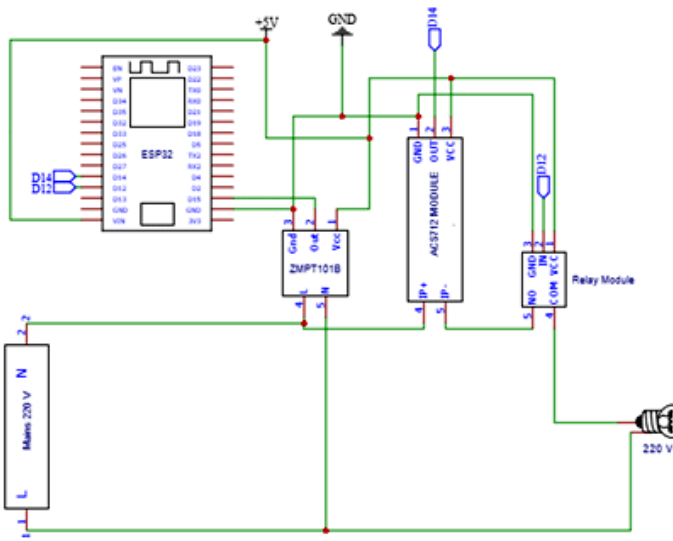


Fig 2. Power supply circuit

3.2. ESP32

The ESP32 is a powerful microcontroller that integrates Wi-Fi and Bluetooth connectivity. It's widely used in IoT applications due to its versatility, low power consumption, and processing capabilities.

3.3. ACS712 current sensor module

The ACS712 is a Hall effect-based current sensor module that accurately measures AC or DC current up to 30A. It provides a non-invasive way to monitor current flow in electrical circuits.

3.4. ZMPT101B voltage sensor module

The ZMPT101B is a voltage sensor module capable of accurately measuring AC voltage up to 250V. It provides isolation between the measured voltage and the microcontroller, ensuring safety in monitoring electrical systems.

3.5. Relay module

A relay module is an electromechanical switch that can be controlled digitally. It's commonly used to control high-power devices such as lights, motors, or appliances by using a low-power signal from a microcontroller.

3.6. Connection Wires

Connection wires are essential components used to establish electrical connections between various components in the circuit. They come in various lengths, gauges, and types (e.g., jumper wires, breadboard wires) to accommodate different circuit layouts and configurations.

4. FUTURE SCOPE:

Certainly! The future of Smart Electricity Meter holds great promise. Here are some potential future scopes for such systems:

The data taken by the sensors are processed on the main controller and show real-time data on LCD & mobile apps.

- This device sends data to the Blynk cloud to further process and store. Where consumers can see the records along with real-time monitoring.
- Easy to monitor and control the meter from

anywhere in the world by using the Blynk app which has a great user interface.

- The data is stored in the cloud server; it's always more secure.
- There is an auto overload cut-off feature that will protect the home appliance from high current damage.
- The component used is robust and modern and the cost is less.

The Smart Energy meter can be used very effectively as the main energy monitoring device of any grid system. The developed device can have some immediate future advancements possible:

- Automated online payment systems can be added with highly secured payment methods.
- Power theft and meter tampering can be easily monitorable, and monitoring bodies can get notifications in real-time.
- Personal Load monitoring will create more transparency between the electricity board and the consumer, and it will reduce corruption.
- More detection systems like, leakage current, low voltage, the high voltage will be added for safety purposes

5. RESULT:

5.1. Real-Time Monitoring:

The simulation is expected to showcase the ability of the system to provide accurate real-time monitoring of energy consumption, demonstrating the reliability of smart metering technology.

5.2. IoT Integration:

The results will highlight the successful integration of IoT capabilities, enabling users to remotely access and monitor their energy consumption data through the Blynk Application Dashboard.

5.3. Theft Detection:

The simulation results will demonstrate the effectiveness of the theft detection mechanism, promptly identifying anomalies and generating alerts in case of potential theft or tampering.

5.4. User Feedback:

The feedback system simulation is expected to display user-friendly interfaces, offering detailed insights into energy consumption metrics and fostering a proactive approach to energy management.

The expected simulation and results aim to validate the project's objectives, showcasing the feasibility and efficacy of the proposed solution in addressing challenges related to energy monitoring, theft detection, and consumer engagement.

6. CONCLUSION:

The "Smart Electricity Meter with Energy Monitoring and Feedback System for Theft Detection" project represents a significant leap forward in addressing critical challenges associated with conventional electricity metering. The integration of smart metering technologies, IoT communication, and advanced analytics has been successfully demonstrated through

simulations, highlighting the potential for a more accurate, transparent, and secure energy distribution infrastructure.

The project's comprehensive approach to real-time monitoring, theft detection, and user feedback positions it as a promising solution for the evolving energy landscape. By empowering consumers with remote access to energy consumption data and proactively identifying instances of theft, the system contributes to the efficient management of resources while safeguarding against unauthorized usage.

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