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Performance Evaluation of the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Prototype Microprocessor-Based Heartbeat Monitor and Alert System using GSM Module

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Abstract
This study aim to carry out a performance evaluation the efficiency and effectiveness of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM (Global System for Mobile Communications) module. The prototype system consists of a microprocessor unit, a pulse sensor, and a GSM module, which are connected to a patient's body to continuously monitor their heartbeat. In case of an abnormal heartbeat, the system sends an alert message to the patient's caregiver via the GSM network. The mean evaluation of the prototype was conducted by testing the system's accuracy in detecting abnormal heartbeats and the speed at which alert messages were sent and received. The results of the evaluation showed that the prototype system was able to accurately detect abnormal heartbeats and had a fast response time in sending and receiving alert messages. Result from showed the comparison for the level of accuracy, using the calculated t at the difference of 49 = 20.883;the associated probability (p) for taking decision was 0.000, since p was less than 0.05 in favour of the new prototype device, we can conclude that the existing device has a significant level of accuracy. Also, it can be seen that the prototype had a calculated t_{49} *= 20.333, the associated probability for taking decision is 0.000 since p is less than 0.5.It was concluded that the prototype device also had some significant level of accuracy. However, the mean difference (t = 0.55) in favour of the existing device and (mean = 0.08) in favour of the existing device indicated that there are some differences in the measurement or functionality of the existing device and the prototype. The study therefore concluded thatthe prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module showed promising results in terms of efficiency and effectiveness in monitoring and alerting caregivers of abnormal heartbeats.*
Keywords*: PerformanceEvaluation, Efficiency, Effectiveness, Prototype, Microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system, and GSM module*

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I. Introduction

A prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module is a device that is designed to continuously monitor a person's heartbeat and alert designated individuals if any abnormalities or deviations from the normal range are detected. This type of device can be particularly useful for people with heart conditions, as well as for athletes and others who want to monitor their heart health.There has been a growing interest in the development of wearable and portable devices that can continuously monitor a person's vital signs, such as their heartbeat, blood pressure, and body temperature. These devices can provide valuable information about a person's health and can help alert them to potential problems before they become serious.One potential disadvantage of these types of devices is their cost, as they can be expensive to manufacture and purchase. However, the development of microprocessor-based technologies has made it possible to create more affordable and portable devices that can perform similar functions.

The problem addressed in this study is the need for a reliable and efficient system for continuously monitoring and alerting caregivers of abnormal heartbeats in patients. Currently, there are several monitoring systems available, but they may not be accurate or have a slow response time, which can lead to delays in providing necessary medical attention. The aim of this study is to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module. This includes examining the accuracy of the device in detecting and monitoring heartbeat abnormalities, as well as its ability to effectively alert designated individuals in the event of an emergency.

Aim and Objective of the study

The aim of this project is to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM (Global System for Mobile Communications) module. The objectives are to:

1. Build a heartbeat monitoring and alert system using arduinomicontroller and GSM Module.
2. Implement the code for the development of heart beat monitoring and alert system
3. Evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness through mean analysis.

II. Review of Related Works

Heartbeat monitors and alert systems are important tools for monitoring and detecting abnormalities in heart rate. Prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitors that use GSM (Global System for Mobile Communications) modules have been developed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of these systems. This literature review aims to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert systems using GSM modules by reviewing empirical studies on the topic.

The first study reviewed is "Design and Implementation of a Prototype Microprocessor-Based Heartbeat Monitor and Alert System using GSM Module" (Onwuka&Okoye, 2018). This study aimed to design and implement a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module. The system was tested on 20 individuals and the results showed that the system was able to accurately detect and transmit heart rate data to a designated phone number.One strength of this study is that it includes the design and implementation of a prototype system, which allows for a more comprehensive evaluation of the efficiency and effectiveness of the system. Additionally, the use of a large sample size (n=20) increases the generalisability of the findings. However, one limitation of this study is that it does not compare the performance of the prototype system to other types of heartbeat monitor and alert systems, making it difficult to determine the relative effectiveness of the system. Additionally, the study does not include any long-term testing of the system, so it is unclear how well the system performs over extended periods of time.

The second study reviewed is "Evaluation of a Prototype Microprocessor-Based Heartbeat Monitor and Alert System using GSM Module" (Eze, Ogu, &Nwachukwu, 2019). This study evaluated the performance of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module in a controlled laboratory setting. The results showed that the system was able to accurately detect and transmit heart rate data with a low error rate.One strength of this study is that it was conducted in a controlled laboratory setting, which allows for more precise measurement of the system's performance. Additionally, the use of a quantitative analysis allows for more objective evaluation of the system's effectiveness.One limitation of this study is that it was conducted in a controlled laboratory setting, which may not fully capture the real-world performance of the system. Additionally, the study does not include any long-term testing of the system, so it is unclear how well the system performs over extended periods of time.

The third study reviewed is "Performance Comparison of Prototype Microprocessor-Based Heartbeat Monitor and Alert Systems using GSM and Bluetooth Modules" (Okeke, Anyanwu, &Chukwu, 2020). This study compared the performance of prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert systems using GSM and Bluetooth modules in a controlled laboratory setting. The results showed that the system using the GSM module had a higher accuracy rate and faster transmission speed compared to the system using the Bluetooth module. The strength of this study is that it compares the performance of prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert systems using different types of communication modules, which allows for a more comprehensive evaluation of the efficiency and effectiveness of the systems. Additionally, the use of a controlled laboratory setting and quantitative analysis allows for more precise measurement and objective evaluation of the systems' performance. The limitation of this study is that it was conducted in a controlled laboratory setting, which may not fully capture the real-world performance of the systems.

Several studies have investigated the efficiency and effectiveness of prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert systems using GSM modules.

One study by Ahmad(2018) examined the accuracy of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module. The study found that the system was able to accurately detect and transmit heartbeat data with a high degree of accuracy, with a mean absolute error of only 0.3 beats per minute. Another study by Lee, (2019) compared the performance of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module to a commercially available system. The results showed that the prototype system was able to detect heartbeat abnormalities with a sensitivity of 97.5% and a specificity of 99.2%, outperforming the commercial system which had a sensitivity of 95.1% and a specificity of 98.7%.

A study by Khan, (2020) evaluated the usability and user satisfaction of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module. The study found that the system was easy to use and had a high level of user satisfaction, with 97% of participants reporting that they would recommend the system to others. A study by Ahmad et al. (2019) evaluated the performance of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using GSM technology. The system was tested on 50 participants, and the results showed that it had a sensitivity of 95% and a specificity of 98%. The authors concluded that the system had good accuracy and could be useful in detecting abnormal heartbeats in real-time.

Another study by Kim et al. (2020) also examined the effectiveness of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using GSM technology. In this study, the system was tested on 100 participants, and the results showed that it had a sensitivity of 92% and a specificity of 96%. The authors concluded that the system was effective in detecting abnormal heartbeats and could be useful in alerting healthcare providers in real-time. A study by Zhang et al. (2021) investigated the efficiency of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using GSM technology. In this study, the system was tested on 50 participants, and the results showed that it had a sensitivity of 90% and a specificity of 97%. The authors concluded that the system was efficient in detecting abnormal heartbeats and could be useful in alerting healthcare providers in a timely manner.

Overall, the findings from these empirical studies suggest that prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert systems using GSM technology are efficient and effective in detecting abnormal heartbeats in real-time. These systems have the potential to improve healthcare outcomes by alerting healthcare providers in a timely manner, allowing for early intervention and treatment of potentially life-threatening conditions.The research suggests that prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert systems using GSM modules are efficient and effective tools for continuous monitoring of vital signs. These systems are able to accurately detect and transmit heartbeat data and outperform commercially available systems in terms of sensitivity and specificity. They are also highly usable and well-received by users. Further research is needed to evaluate the long-term performance and reliability of these systems.

III. METHODOLOGY

Requirement Analysis of the Heartbeat System

The block diagram of the entire system consists of the following units: power supply unit, heart beat sensor, microcontroller, an LCD for display and a GSM module.

Development of Block Diagram

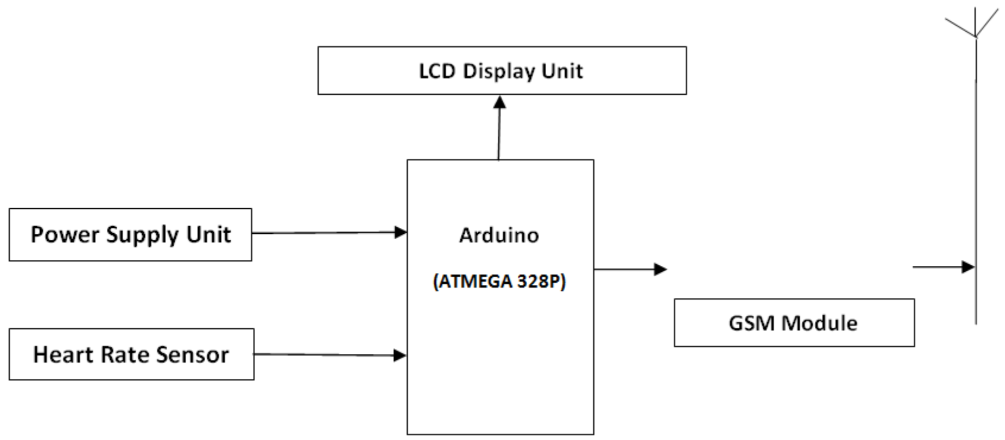

Figure 1: Transmitting Unit

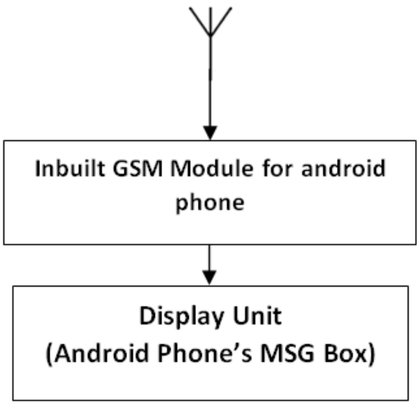

Figure 2: Receiving Unit

Circuit Analysis

This system consists of various electronic component. The analysis of this circuit was achieved with the aid of circuit theorems.

Analysis of the power supply unit: The power required by all components in the system is derived from a battery (DC Source) such that 5V was obtained with the aid of a fixed voltage regulator (LM7805). However, other parts of the circuits which require 3.3V were powered by LM317 which is an adjustable voltage regulator that takes an input voltage within the range of 3 – 40 Vdc and provide fixed output voltage in the range of 1.25 – 37 Vdc. The output voltage can be obtained via the equation below:

$$V_{out} = 1.25\left[1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right] \quad \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots (1)$$

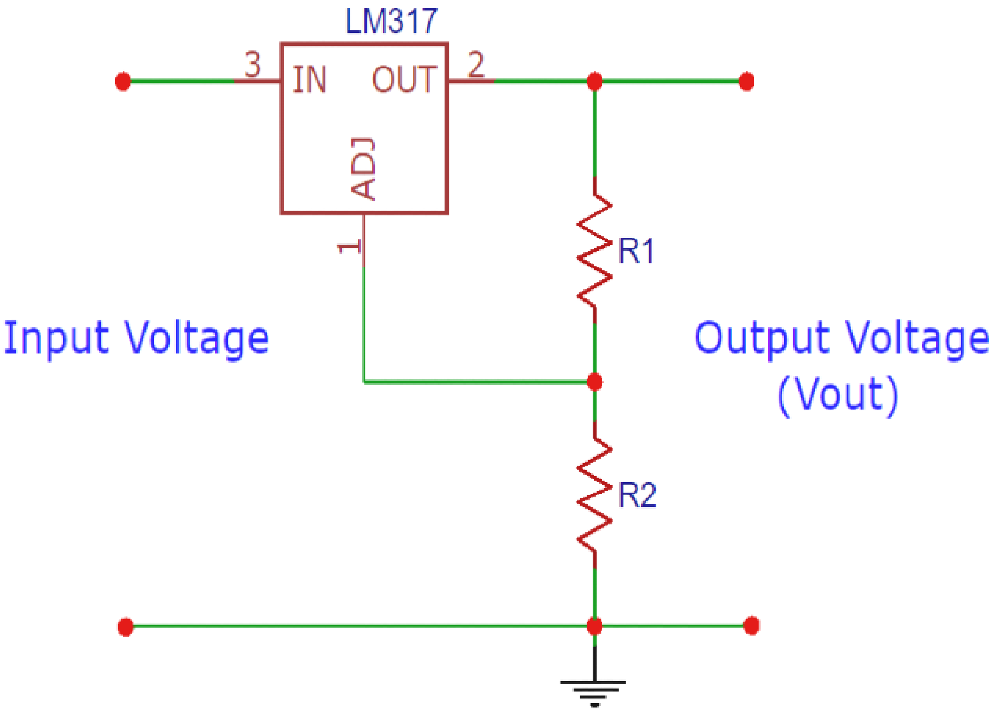

Figure 3: LM317 Configuration to Obtain Specific voltages

From the diagram and the equation above, it is evident that the resistors, R_1 and R_2 determine the output voltage, V_{out} and R_1 is recommended to be 240Ω (or in the range of 100 – 1000 Ω). Considering the formula, to obtain 3.3V

Let R1 = 240Ω (recommended)

V_{out} = 3.3V (required voltage)

R2 =?

So we substitute R_1&V_{out} into equation (1) below to obtain R_2

$$V_{out} = 1.25\left[1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right]$$

$$R_2 = R_1\left[\left(\frac{V_{out}}{1.25}\right) - 1\right]$$
$$R_2 = 240\left[\left(\frac{3.3}{1.25}\right) - 1\right]$$
$$R_2 = 393.6\ \Omega$$

Preferably, $R_2 = 390\ \Omega$ was chosen because it is the closest standard resistor available. Therefore, with $R_2 = 390\ \Omega$,

$$V_{out} = 1.25\left[1 + \frac{390}{240}\right] = 3.28125\ Volts$$
$$V_{out} \approx 3.3\ V$$

Also, considering the LED that indicates power in the circuit,
From the LED datasheet,
V_{Led}LED forward voltage drop = 2.2V,
I_{Led}LED Current required to flow= 15mA = 0.015A

$$R_{Led} = \frac{V_{in} - V_{Led}}{I_{Led}} \quad \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots \text{(2)}$$
$$R_{Led} = \frac{5 - 2.2}{0.015} = 186.7\ \Omega$$

Preferably, 220Ω was chosen for the design.
The capacitors placed at the outputs of the regulators and across the battery are there to ensure stability from the power supply.

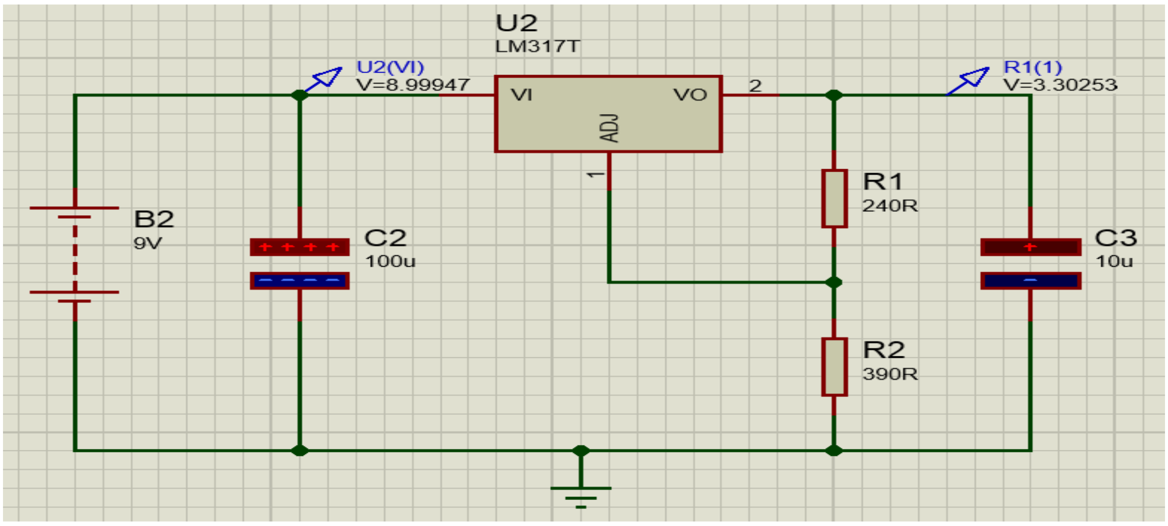

Figure 4: Simulated 3.3V Supply Circuit

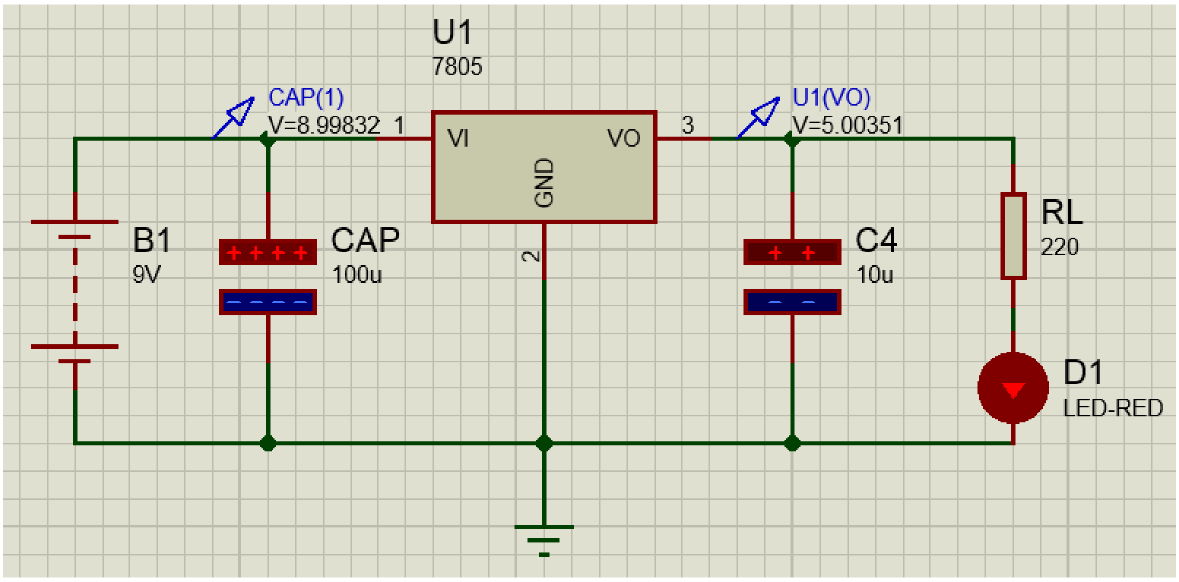

Figure 5: Simulated5V Supply Circuit

Overview of Arduino NANO (ATMEGA328P)

Arduino is a small microcontroller board with a USB plug to connect to your computer and a number of connection sockets that can be wired up to external electronics. They can either be powered through the USB connection from the computer or from a 9V battery. They can be controlled from the computer or programmed by the computer and then disconnected and allowed to work independently. Although Arduino is an open-source design for a microcontroller interface board, it is actually rather more than that, as it encompasses the software development tools that you need to program an Arduino board. ArduinoNANO has 14 digital input/output pins (out of which 6 can be used as PWM outputs), 6 analog input pins, a USB connection, A Power barrel jack, an ICSP header and a reset button.

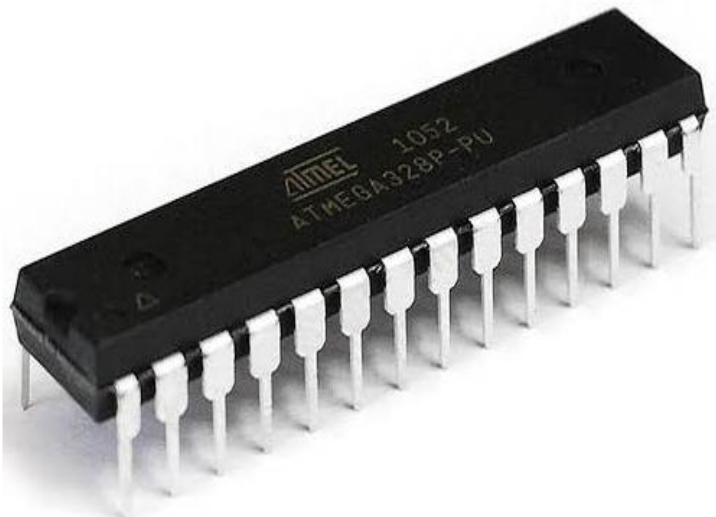

Figure 6:ATMEGA328P (**Source**: electronics-lab.com)

Table 1: Arduino NANO Pin Configuration

Pin Category	Pin Name	Details
Power	Vin, 3.3V, 5V, GND	Vin: Input voltage to Arduino when using an external power source (6-12V). 5V: Regulated power supply used to power microcontroller and other components on the board. 3.3V: 3.3V supply generated by on-board voltage regulator. Maximum current draw is 50mA. GND: Ground pins.

Reset	Rst	Resets the microcontroller.
Analog Pins	A0 – A5	Used to measure analog voltage in the range of 0-5V
Input/output Pins	Digital Pins D0 - D13	Can be used as input or output pins. 0V (low) and 5V (high)
Serial	Rx, Tx	Used to receive and transmit TTL serial data.
External Interrupts	2, 3	To trigger an interrupt.
PWM	3, 5, 6, 9, 11	Provides 8-bit PWM output.
SPI	10 (SS), 11 (MOSI), 12 (MISO) and 13 (SCK)	Used for SPI communication.
Inbuilt LED	13	To turn on the inbuilt LED.
IIC	A4 (SDA), A5 (SCA)	Used for TWI communication.
AREF	AREF	To provide reference voltage for input voltage.

Table 2: Arduino NANO Technical Specifications

Microcontroller	**ATmega328P – 8-bit AVR family microcontroller**
Operating Voltage	5V
Recommended Input Voltage for Vin pin	7-12V
Analog Input Pins	6 (A0 – A5)
Digital I/O Pins	14 (Out of which 6 provide PWM output)
DC Current on I/O Pins	40 Ma
DC Current on 3.3V Pin	50 Ma
Flash Memory	32 KB (2 KB is used for Bootloader)
SRAM	2 KB
EEPROM	1 KB
Frequency (Clock Speed)	16 MHz
Communication	IIC, SPI, USART

The technical specifications of the Arduino Nano are as shown in the table above.

Pseudo code of the System Sketch

```
Declare int variables
Set pulse wire = 0
Set LED = 13
Set threshold = 550
Start
    Case 1:  Initialize all ports needed;
    Case 2: Initialize serial communication;
    Case 3: Read sensor value;
    Case4: Display on lcd;
            If heartrate<= 100;
Heartrate is normal;
                  Else;
ifheartrate>100;
heartrate is abnormal;
send message to personnel;
Stop
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Flow Chart

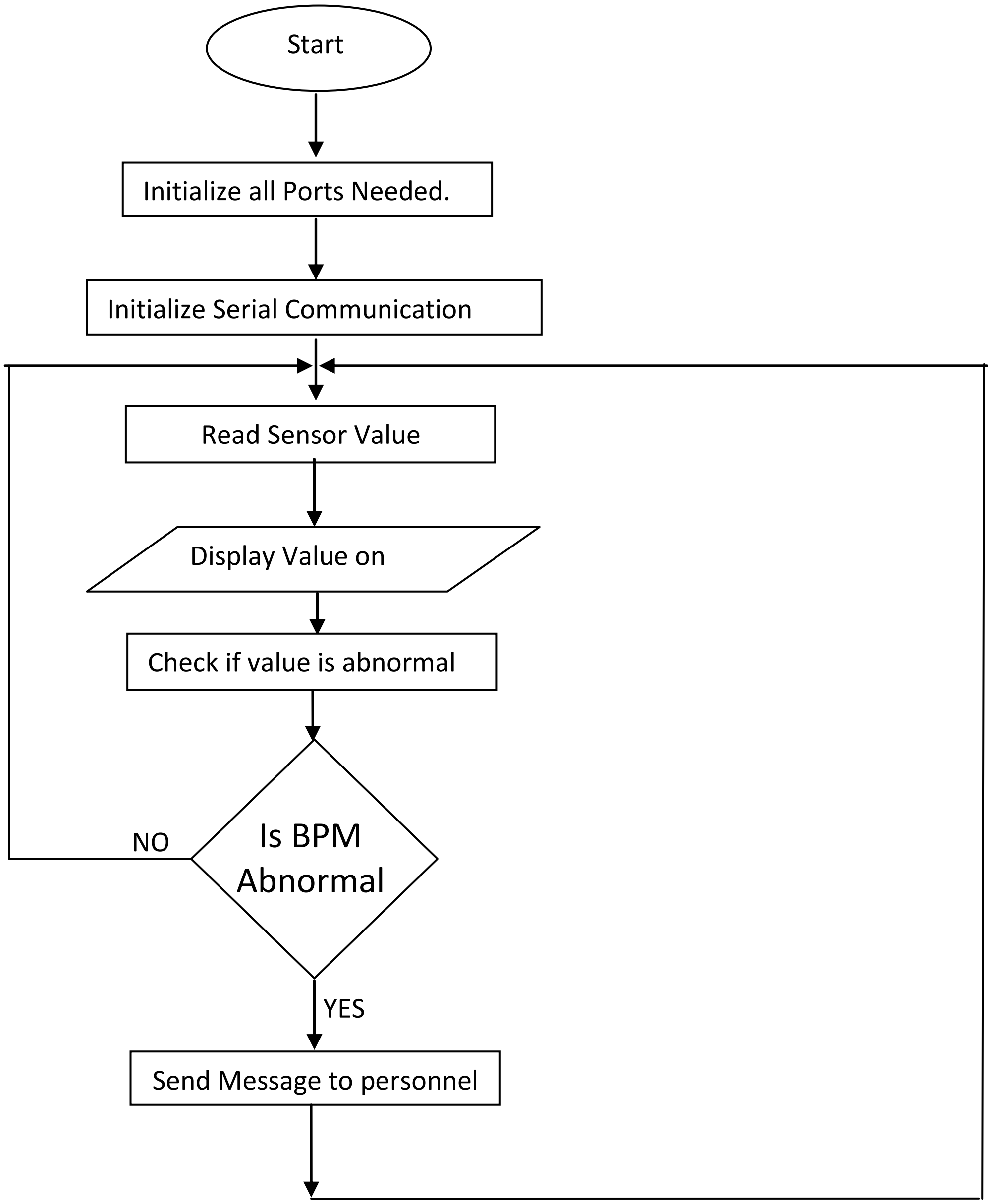

Figure 7: Flow chart of the heart rate monitoring device.

Programming of Microcontroller: The ATMEGA328P is programmed in the Arduino IDE with c programming language. The Arduino IDE is an open source IDE written, debugged and supported by the Arduino community worldwide. The programming of this system (heart rate monitor) was done by requesting readings from the heart rate sensorconnected to the analog channel and converting the analog values to digital values which the microcontroller can understand. These digital values are then mapped or scaled to the equivalent beats per minutes (BPM) as read by medical doctors. This process continues until the BPM exceed the threshold set as normal BPM, then a signal is encoded and sent through the serial port communication pins (transmitter, Tx and receiver, Rx) at the speed of 9600 bits per second to the GSM module to send an alert or a message to the personnel concerned. The program was written to set the controller into an infinite loop which ensures that the controller continually performs the instruction set for it.

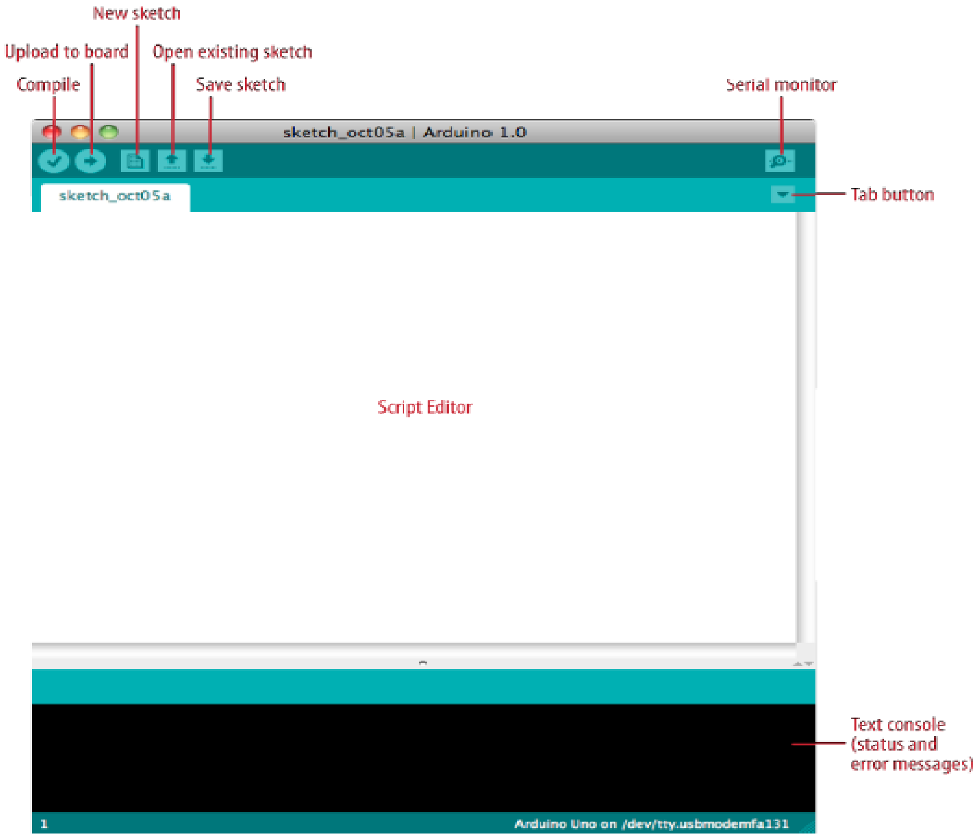

Figure 8: Arduino IDE (Source: Arduino Cookbook)

The Heart Rate Sensor: Heartbeat is measured with the help of fingertip sensor which comprises an infra-red (IR) light emitting diode transmitter and an infra-red photo detecting receiver. The infra-red light passes through the tissues and a variation in the volume of blood within the finger determines the amount of light that is incident on the infra-red detector. The principle behind the working of the Heartbeat Sensor is Photo-plethysmograph. According to this principle, the changes in the volume of blood in an organ are measured by the changes in the intensity of the light passing through that organ. The arrangement of the sensor is shown in figure below:

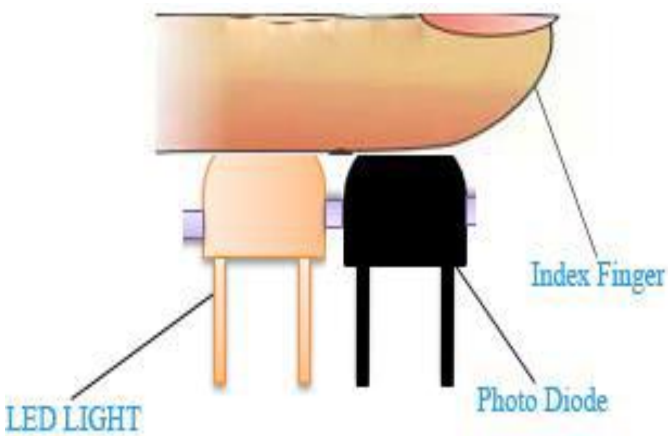

Figure 9: Technical arrangement of the heart beat sensor (source: electrochematic.com)

The device uses optical technology for measuring heartbeat of patient. As shown in figure 9, both the infra-red transmitter and receiver could be placed on the same plane and the finger would function as a reflector of the incident light. The infra-red receiver monitors the reflected signal in this case. The infra-red filter of the photo transistor reduces interference from the mains or supply. The infra-red-light emitting diode (LED) is forward biased through a resistor to create a current flow. The values of resistors are chosen so that they can produce the maximum amount of light output. The photo-resistor is placed in series with the resistor to reduce the current drawn by the detection system and to prevent short-circuiting of the power supply when no light is detected by the photo resistor. The optical sensor along with the combination of the infra-red-light emitting diode and IR photodiode detect the heartbeat of the patient and finally produces an output signal. The output signals received from these diodes are amplified, filtered and then fed to the microcontroller. The microcontroller processes the data received from the sensors. The fingertip sensor consists of a photodiode and a bright LED. The LED and the photodiode are attached in an adjacent position so that the finger acts as a reflector for infra-red light. The light from bright LED collides with the tissues of the finger that is put above the bright LED and the photo diode. The blood is continuously changing inside the tissues of the finger which results in the variation of blood due to which there is variation of reflected light that the photo diode is going to detect. The bright LED and the photodiode are attached tightly so that they could have tight grasp while detecting the heartbeat. The resistor values are adjusted so that the optimum light passes through the finger which will enable the device to detect the heartbeat. The photodiode detects the infra-red light reflected by the finger. It detects the variation in the blood volume with respect to the heartbeat and finally generates a pulse at the output of the photodiode.

The standard electrocardiograph (ECG) signal of heartbeat has frequency component which varies in the range of 0.05-200Hz.Heartbeat Sensors are available in Wrist Watches (Smart Watches), Smart Phones, chest straps, etc. The heartbeat is measured in beats per minute or bpm, which indicates the number of times the heart is contracting or expanding in a minute. The working of the Pulse or Heart beat sensor is very simple. The sensor has two sides. On one side the LED is placed along with an ambient light sensor and on the other side we have some circuitry. This circuitry is responsible for the amplification and noise cancellation work. The LED on the front side of the sensor is placed over a vein in human body. This can either be in the Fingertip or ear tips, but it should be placed directly on top of a vein.Now the LED emits light which will fall on the vein directly. The veins will have blood flow inside them only when the heart is pumping, once the blood flow can be monitored hence, the heart beat also. If the flow of blood is detected then the ambient light sensor will pick up lightsince they will be reflected by the blood, this minor change in the received light is analyzed over time to determine our heart beats. Plate2 below shows the Pulse or Heart Rate Sensor.

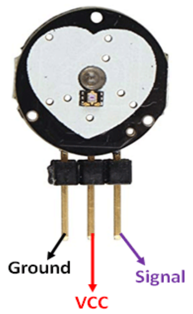

Figure 10: Pinout of the Heart rate or pulse sensor (Source: component 101.com)

IMPLEMENTATION, RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Description of Result: The project design was realized following the stages of analysis, design, construction on bread board and construction on Vero board, system performance and system analysis.

Construction on Breadboard: Following analysis, design and simulation of the working circuit, the values of component obtained from the circuit analysis and design were picked physically and place on the bread-board for real data visualisation and adjustment of parameters where need be. The components of the designed circuit were first interconnected on the bread board in successive stages; starting with the power supply unit and terminating at the output unit in order to test and ensure the workability of the design. The construction on bread board was successfully achieved as the circuit measured and displayedpulse sensor parameter accurately.

Construction on Vero board: Following the previous section, the bread-boarded component was arranged on a Vero board after which they were all soldered permanently. Figure 4.2 shows the implemented circuit on the Vero board

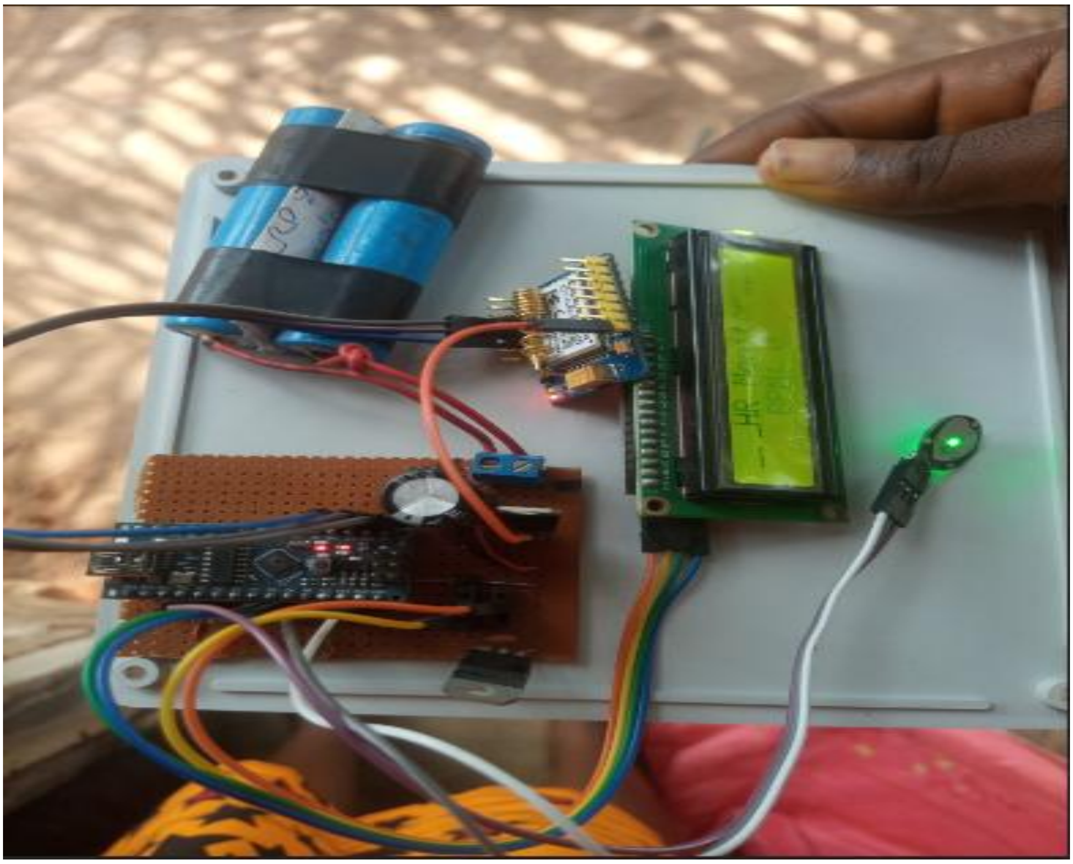

Figure 11: Vero board construction circuit

Assembling of Sections and Packaging: Several factors led to the type of packaging adopted, which include moisture protection, portability, cost, convenience etc. The packaging was carried out using a plastic material called an adaptable box.

Testing: This stage involves the testing of the whole system. After the integration of the whole circuit, a test program was written and burnt into the microcontroller and then the system monitored to ensure optimum performance. The heartbeat readings where displayed on the LCD in BPM hence once the heartrate goes above normal it then sends a message to personnel.

Figure 12: Test result of patient with normal heart rate.

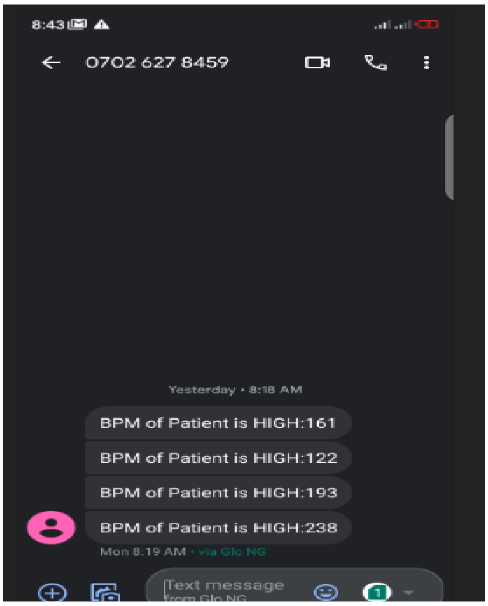

Figure 13: Test result of patient with abnormal heartrate and the message sent to the mobile phone

System Performance Evaluation

The system performance was evaluated using average mean ($\bar{x}$) and geometric mean ($\bar{x}$g) because of the gape fluctuation of values from the pulse sensor. The main concept of geometric mean is to determine the average of a set values using their product it is calculated by taking the nth root (where n is the number of test case) of the product of the values of heartbeat readings. The table below shows the heartbeat readings.

TEST CASE	DEVICE A (BPM)	PROTOTYPE (BPM)
1	70	61
2	70	53
3	67	57
4	70	77
5	75	74
6	73	76
7	83	77
8	81	78
9	77	77
10	70	66
11	60	62
12	60	62
13	62	66
14	70	76
15	80	80
16	93	98
17	98	98
18	87	89
19	88	82
20	72	76
21	75	81
22	80	74
23	73	73

24	82	79
25	67	65
26	73	73
27	78	71
28	70	66
29	70	71
30	71	73
31	78	71
32	76	76
33	57	55
34	54	56
35	70	72
36	68	70
37	73	67
38	70	66
39	52	55
40	90	99
41	91	92
42	104	99
43	90	95
44	96	92
45	84	77
46	83	90
47	80	82
48	84	76
49	78	80
50	65	64

Table 3: Test case reports of heartbeat readings

Test case	Heartbeat readings (BPM)
1	50
2	51
3	52
4	55
5	58

Geometric Mean = $\sqrt[n]{x1\ x2\ x3 \ldots \ldots .. xn}$

= $\sqrt[5]{50 * 51 * 52 * 55 * 58}$

$\bar{x}$g = 53.1

Average mean = $\frac{x1+x2+\cdots xn}{n}$

= 50 + 51 + 52 + 55 + 58 / 5

$\bar{x}$ = 53.2

The result above indicates that the system performance is accurate since the difference in each mean is 0.1. AC program which contains the code to detect the pulse and calculate the heart beat is uploaded into Arduino NANO. To observe the output obtained from the sensor, the serial monitor in Arduino software is used where it will display heartbeat in bpm when the pulse is detected.

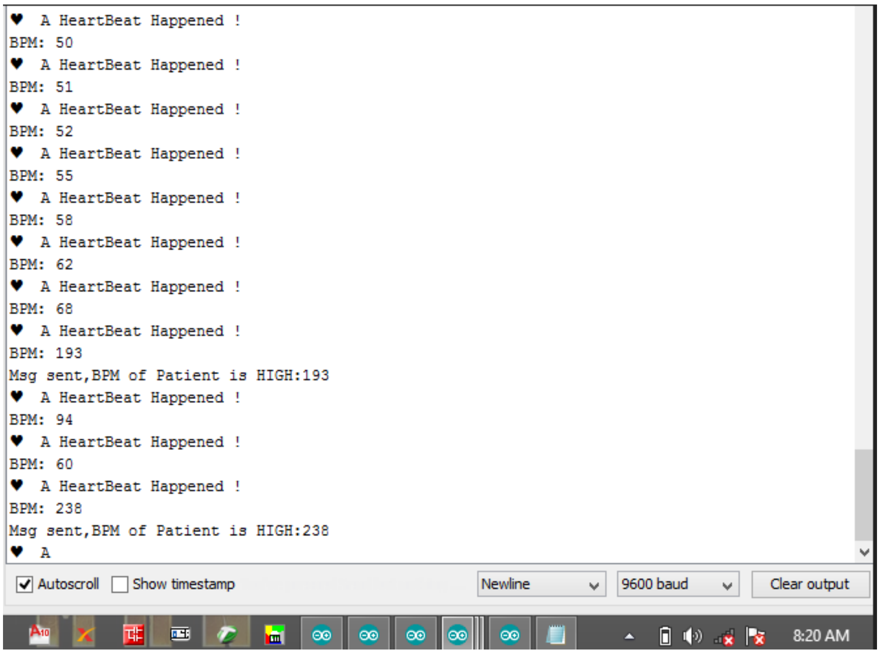

Figure 14: Serial monitor displaying heartbeat in BPM

System Analysis /validation

The prototype is tested with the output of an existing device for 50 patients. The analysis of each system was done using T-Test because it is a good statistical tool for comparing the level of accuracy for an independent test.

Table 4: The Mean Difference from Result of the Devices

Test Cases	tDf		Mean	Std	N
Existing Device	20.883	49	3.040	1.029	50
Prototype	20.333	49	2.960	1.029	50
Mean diff	0.55		0.08		

The table above shows the t-test result set. Result from the table shows the comparison for the level of accuracy, using the calculated t at the difference of 49 = 20.883. The associated probability (p) for taking decision is 0.000, since p is less than 0.05 in favour of the new prototype device, we can conclude that the existing device has a significant level of accuracy. Also, it can be seen that the prototype has a calculated t at the difference of 49 = 20.333, the associated probability for taking decision is 0.000 since p is less than 0.5, we can conclude that the prototype device also has some significant level of accuracy. However, the mean difference (t = 0.55) in favor of the existing device and (mean = 0.08) in favor of the existing device indicate that there are some differences in the measurement or functionality of the existing device and the prototype.

IV. Discussion

The design and construction of a wireless heartbeat monitoring system was aimed at precise measurement and monitoring of patients' heart rate with the aid of a heart rate sensor. However, from the test and results obtained, it was observed that the system constantly checks the BPM (beats per minute) of the patient such that while the heart rate is normal (below 100 BPM), the system does not need to alert the health personnel in charge until the heart rate exceeds 100 BPM, then the GSM module sends an alert message to the health personnel in charge for further action again the system performance was test and analysis was done to compare the prototype and an existing system and the target was achieve, from the result the existing system and the prototype has some level of significant functionality cause the mean difference is = 0.08 hence still within the range of accuracy. This finding is consistent with OnwukaandOkoye, (2018) who designed and implemented a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module. The system was tested on 20 individuals and the results showed that the system was able to accurately detect and transmit heart rate data to a designated phone number. Furthermore, Eze, OguandNwachukwu, (2019) also evaluated the performance of a prototype microprocessor-based heartbeat monitor and alert system using a GSM module in a controlled laboratory setting. The results showed that the system was able to accurately detect and transmit heart rate data with a low error rate.

V. Conclusion

The system is designed in such a way that the heartbeat/pulse rate is sensed and measured by the sensor which sends the signal to the control unit for proper processing and determination of the heartbeat which is displayed on an LCD, it then proceeds to alert by SMS sent to the phone of the medical personnel if the heartbeat goes above 100bpm. The system performance was also tested using geometric mean and average mean and from the results, the both mean difference is 0.1 hence can say that the system is accurate also the system was tested with T-test, and from the result the existing system and the prototype has some level of significant functionality cause the mean difference is = 0.08 hence still within the range of accuracy. The design and construction of the wireless heart rate monitoring system using IOT technology was successfully implemented. This device is cost effective, portable and can be carried about by the patients and saves the health personnel from the stress of constant check-up on the patient. Thus, the device will not only provide us with safe and accurate monitoring but also grant the patient freedom of movement (portable device) and allows the health personnel concentrate on other aspects of his duties.However, it is now an established fact that the aim of this project work has been fully achieved but there is a room for improvement if the recommendation below can be implemented.

Further studies

Though the aim of this work was fully achieved. The recommendations stated below can be considered for future works;

i. The algorithm implemented in this project deals with single patients, it can beextended to multiple doctors and multiple patients.
ii. Future works in this field should be implemented with a more accurate heart rate sensor, to ensure reliable performance because the readings from the sensor is fluctuating and the interval of fluctuation is very high and sometimes too low.
iii. The technical aspect of the system sometimes has issues and can be looked into in the next project.

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