

## Fire alert system through text messages, with arduino mega technology and GSM SIM 900 module

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### ABSTRACT

The purpose of this article is to develop a fire alert system, to implement under the use of Arduino Mega technology and GSM module SIM 900 (GSM: Global System for mobile communications, SIM: Minimum System), with which through The programming and interconnection between these components can be obtained by capturing data through MQ2 sensors installed in the Industrial Automation Laboratory of the National Technological University of South Lima, and then send a fire alert signal through text messages to a mobile equipment located outside the laboratory; at a distance of 1000 meters; The relevance of this research is that its optimal response, detects the application of this system to the industrial park of Villa El Salvador, which has multiple warehouses, which a newspaper is affected by fire hazards, by the amount of flammable material They owned. Developing the investigation will determine the existence of a correlation factor of 0.973, between the reception time of the alert signal, with respect to the distance in the MQ2 sensor to detect the smoke; This factor tells us to state that the correlation is significant between both variables; with a ratio percentage equal to 98.90%, which was selected by the determination factor  $R^2$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

It is essential that every company has safety and health measures for its workers, especially if in the work being carried out toxic substances, high voltages are manipulated or there is any risk of an accident, such as a fire [1]. It is necessary to have the preventive measures, so that a fire event does not occur, and for this a solution is to detect it before it is too late and avoid major misfortunes [2].

In recent years, technology has advanced exponentially. Today we are accustomed to living dependent on mobile, computer or a Tablet. But these technological comforts have emerged in the last 10 years [3]. The same is happening although in a less pronounced way in homes, buildings or even in cities [4]. It is already common to find homes with surveillance connected to computers or other devices in the home, have alarm systems for housing control [5].

Computational science is a branch that has undergone major transformations, which presents an improvement in the technology of our environment [6]. Technically the houses of today were considered as intelligent in the seventies, an example of this is the application of motion sensors that control the lighting [7]. The ability to link motion sensors for a security alarm or intruder detection are commonly employed in facilities [8].

Often, minimal carelessness in homes, warehouses or stores can cause serious consequences and can be the cause of some inputs contained in such environments, such as solvents, paint or alcohol, become inflamed. Without preventive measures, these spaces would catch fire completely in a short time [9].

As a consequence, people would be endangered, the environment would be harmed in the long term, the activity of the company would be interrupted and repairs and sanitation would be necessary that would entail high costs [10].

In January 2016, the news of the fire in one of the stores of a well-known supermarket surprises Lima where, regardless of the causes of the incident, a call to reflect on whether Are our stores really safe?, and if despite complying with the basic standards suggested by the National Security and Civil Defense Regulations ¿Can we do something else to avoid an accident? [11]. The low-cost fire detectors available in the market are very limited with smoke detection features and sound alerts without offering greater benefits to the user [12]. The lack of a reliable and stable system that can monitor, control and alert on an incident can cause invaluable losses, ranging from material losses, to human losses [13].

Hence the idea of improving the treatment of this problem by implementing low cost and reliable technologies with the objective of saving the storage of material and human goods [14]. The use of programmable plates grows every day to provide infinite possibilities of operation, which makes possible the development of molded systems with functionalities that are deemed essential, at reasonable cost and with the possibility that said system is scalable, fully dynamic with the user and with online management [15]. The expansion of mobile phone networks throughout the national territory has opened the door to an efficient and low-cost alternative for monitoring and control of equipment located in remote locations [16]. To monitor variables in remote and hard-to-reach places, we can use the cellular telephone network as a communication channel, accessing it through GSM technology and using the appropriate equipment to make such a connection [17].

## 2. PROCEDURE

The results were obtained from the implementation of a fire alert system, whose data capture was carried out through two MQ2 sensors, distributed in the Industrial Automation laboratory of the Technological University of Lima Sur; whereby the captured data was sent to the Arduino Mega Card, which was responsible for processing the data, to send it to the SIM card 900; the same one that will be in charge through the GSM technology send to a mobile equipment, located outside the laboratory; the same one that moved within a radius of 1000 meters; This distance is referential, and was taken for the purpose of determining an initial point of analysis.

Figure 1 shows the representation of the connection architecture of the components or modules that will allow the capture, processing and sending of the alert signal by text message to a mobile device. The SIM 900 module, shown in Figure 1, operates under the GSM/GPRS quad-band technologies, works at frequencies GSM 850MHz, GSM 900MHz, DCS 1800MHz y PCS 1900MHz. The SIM 900 module has 4 pins two of GND (Ground) and VCC (DC voltage), which operates at 3.7V and two pins Tx (Transmission) and Rx (Reception). The Tx is connected to pin 10 and the Rx is connected to pin 11 of the Arduino Mega module, which will allow transmission with a maximum transmission rate of 85.6 Kbps.

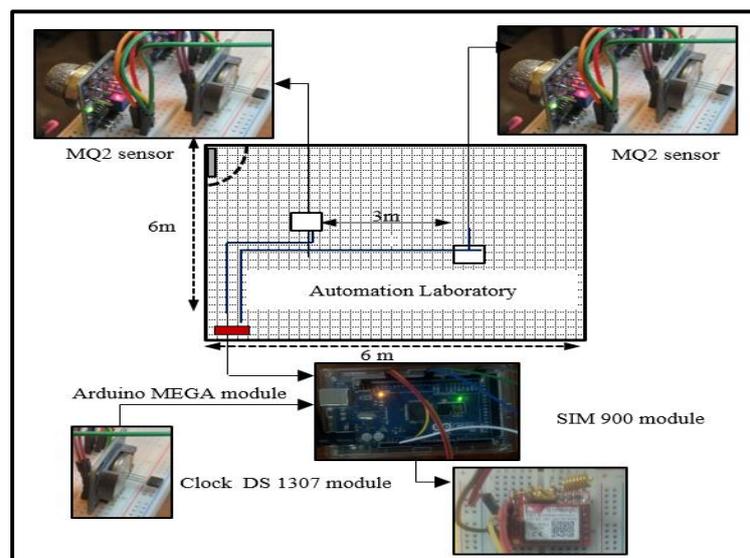


Figure 1. Fire Alert System Architecture

The Smoke sensor MQ2 work with 3 pins; the first is VDC Voltage, which is powered by 5 volts; the second is the GND (Ground) and the third is where it sends the analog signal. The sensor operates as follows, as soon as the sensor picks up smoke, its voltage level increases in proportion to the level of smoke it detects. Additionally, with the purpose that in the text message sent by the SIM 900 module, the mobile device records which sensor was the one that detected the gas or smoke and also specifies the time at which the detection was carried out, is that a DS 1307 Clock module.

This module works with 4 VDC 5 volt, GND and two SDA and SCL pins that fit the use of an I2C library, which allows us to connect and receive moments or pulses constantly. That is why the clock module is coupled with the Arduino Mega, in order to work your clock correctly. The Arduino Mega module has pins SDA and SCL on pins 20 and 21 respectively. The connection is made directly the pins are not inverted. Next in Figure 2, the programming of the Arduino Mega module is shown.

The previous figure shows the use of Wire and RTC libraries, it is with the purpose of attaching the Arduino Mega module, the Clock module, so that the warning signal that is generated is via text messages specify the day and time in which the presence of smoke is detected. Additionally, the serial software library is used to enable analog output pins, such as receiving and sending data pins. In this case the SIM 900 has two TX and RX pins connected to pin 10 and 11 of the Arduino Mega module, respectively. In Figure 3, the second segment of the Arduino Mega programming is shown.

```
#include <Wire.h>
#include "RTClib.h"
#include <SoftwareSerial.h>
SoftwareSerial SIM900(10, 11); //Tx , Rx

RTC_DS1307 rtc;

int segundo,minuto,hora,dia,mes;
long anio;
DateTime HoraFecha;

#define GasA 2
#define GasB 3

bool estado;

void setup()
{
  rtc.begin();
  SIM900.begin(9600);
  pinMode(GasA, INPUT);
  pinMode(GasB, INPUT);
  SIM900.println("AT+IPR=9600");//BAUDIOS
  delay(500);
  SIM900.println("AT+CMGF=1"); //modo texto
  delay(500);
  SIM900.println("AT+CNMI=2,2,0,0,0");
  delay(300);
  //SIM900.begin(9600);
}

void printDate(DateTime date)
{
  Serial.print(date.year(), DEC);
  Serial.print("/");
  Serial.print(date.month(), DEC);
  Serial.print("/");
  Serial.print(date.day(), DEC);
  Serial.print(" (");
  Serial.print(date.hour(), DEC);
  Serial.print(":");
  Serial.print(date.minute(), DEC);
  Serial.print(":");
  Serial.print(date.second(), DEC);
  Serial.println();
}
```

Figure 2. First segment of the arduino mega programming

```
void loop()
{
  HoraFecha = rtc.now();
  segundo=HoraFecha.second();
  minuto=HoraFecha.minute();
  hora=HoraFecha.hour();
  dia=HoraFecha.day();
  mes=HoraFecha.month();
  anio=HoraFecha.year();

  if(digitalRead(GasA)== LOW and estado==0)
  {
    estado=1;
    SIM900.println("AT+CMGF=1"); //modd texto
    delay(1000);
    SIM900.println("AT+CMGS=\"983697349\"");
    delay(1000);
    SIM900.println("Sensor1");
    SIM900.print(hora);
    SIM900.print(":");
    SIM900.print(minuto);
    SIM900.print(":");
    SIM900.println(segundo);
    SIM900.print(dia);
    SIM900.print("/");
    SIM900.print(mes);
    SIM900.print("/");
    SIM900.println(anio);
    SIM900.println((char)26);
  }
  else
  {
    if(digitalRead(GasA)== HIGH)
    {
      estado=0;
    }
  }

  if(digitalRead(GasB)== LOW and estado==0)
  {
    estado=2;
    SIM900.println("AT+CMGF=1"); //modo texto
    delay(1000);
    SIM900.println("AT+CMGS=\"968053089\"");
    delay(1000);
    SIM900.println("Sensor2");
    SIM900.print(hora);
    SIM900.print(":");
    SIM900.print(minuto);
    SIM900.print(":");
    SIM900.println(segundo);
    SIM900.print(dia);
    SIM900.print("/");
    SIM900.print(mes);
    SIM900.print("/");
    SIM900.println(anio);
    SIM900.println((char)26);
  }
  else
  {
    if(digitalRead(GasB)== HIGH)
    {
      estado=0;
    }
  }
}
```

Figure 3. Second segment of the arduino mega programming

The RTC library is defined in the previous figure, which is an extensive family of clock modules that we will use in our project. In this case it is the DS-1307 module. Then we define variables in which we will save data in this case we implement hour, minute, second, day, month. We have a Long variable of name anio since the Arduino source code does not accept the letter ñ. and a Long type variable, since it will store much more memory.

### 3. RESEARCH METHOD

#### 3.1. Research Level

The research carried out is of a descriptive level, since it is based on using the properties of the Arduino Mega technology and the SIM 900 module, so that through a synergy between them, it is possible to generate warning signals from the detection of smoke, using MQ2 sensors (gas or smoke sensor). This will describe the results obtained in relation to the detection distance of the sensor and the time it takes for the signal to be received on a mobile device, through text messages [18].

Thus, it is also correlational, since it aims to discover the level of association between the time it takes for the signal to be received in a mobile device, with respect to the distance at which the MQ2 sensor detects gas or smoke; this through discovering the dispersion model and its determining factor [19].

#### 3.2. Population and Sample

The unit of analysis, that is to say the main entity that is being analyzed in the research, is the Industrial Automation Laboratory of the National University of South Lima, on which the MQ2 sensors were installed; that due to its dimensioning (36 m<sup>2</sup>), two sensors were used [20].

#### 3.3. Data Collection

The data collection will be carried out through technical reports, in which it is intended to make the data captures, in a time interval of two minutes; the data associated with the investigation are the distance which the sensor detects the smoke and the time in which the signal reaches the cellular equipment [21].

## 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### 4.1. Results

The data was obtained experimentally from smoke exposure, only to one of the MQ2 sensors; since, if we consider that both sensors have the same characteristics, it was determined to carry out the tests in one of them. From the previous table it can be specified that the correlation factor is 0.973, which indicates that there is a high level of association between the variables under analysis. Evidence of sending and receiving text messages as shown in Figure 4.

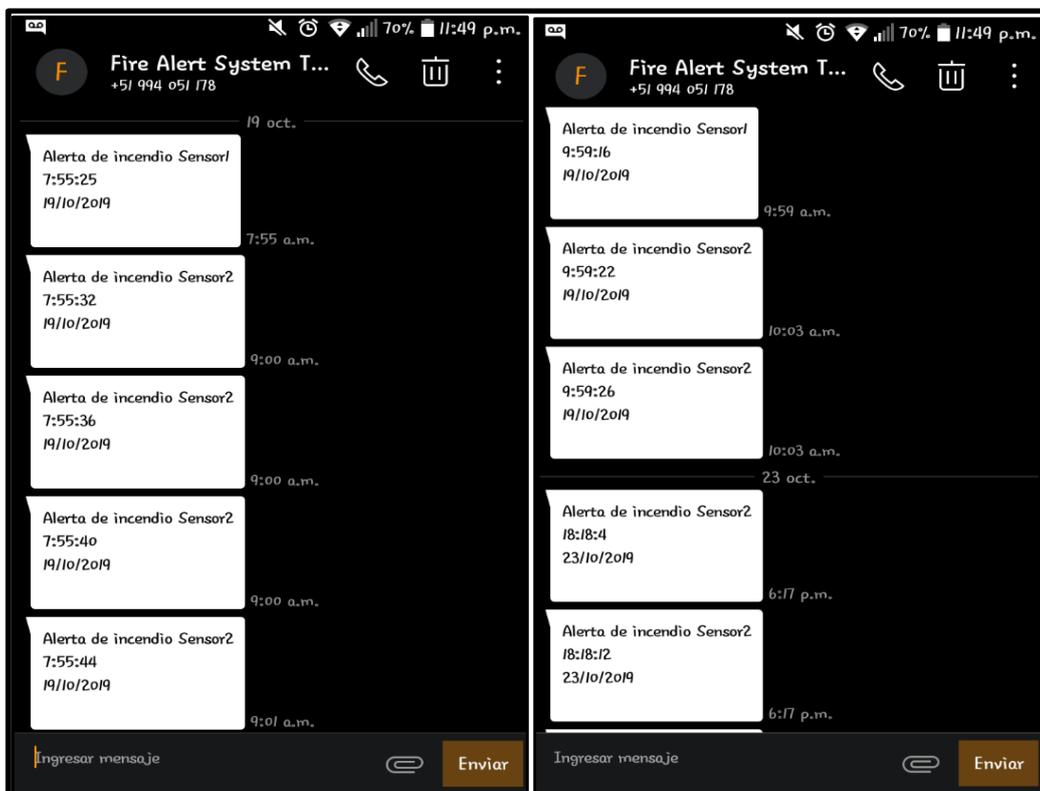


Figure 4. Evidence of sending and receiving text messages



the joint integration between the devices and the GSM SIM 900 module. To achieve this, the organization of the programming was prioritized and the general conditions were determined, reaching proper functioning of the tasks assigned to the system [22]. In both cases it is evidenced that from the correct synergy between the components involved in the fire detection system, the sending of the alert signal is achieved through text messages.

In reference to the data obtained in terms of time, it will take time to get the fire alert message to the mobile team we can establish that, there is a quadratic type relationship, with respect to the distance in which the source that generates the gas or smoke; that is to say, at a greater distance, the time in reaching the text message to the receiving equipment will be longer; In addition, it was evidenced in the experimental analysis that, the maximum distance at which the sensor detects the concentration of gas or smoke is 75 cm, above this distance, no alert message is generated. In this regard, in the research carried out at the Technical University of the North, it is pointed out that, with the performance of these tests, it can be concluded that a fire alarm signal was sent through the GSM 900 Module, provided that The fire is close to the MQ2 sensor, approximately 1 meter, evidencing that the greater the distance the greater the time it will take to get the signal to the receiving equipment [23]. In part I agree with the author of the aforementioned text, since on the one hand it establishes that the greater the distance from the gas source to the sensor, the longer the signal takes to reach the receiving element; however, in terms of the maximum distance in my investigation it was 75 cm, while in its case it was 1 meter, it is possible that this difference lies in the concentration of the gas in the environment that was used for the tests, in my case it was 1045ppm while in its case it was 1450ppm.

## 5. CONCLUSION

It is concluded that he managed to send text messages as part of the fire alert system implemented with Arduino Mega technology and GSM SIM 900 Module, managing to determine that there is a correlation factor of 0.973, between the reception time of the alert signal, with respect to the distance in which the MQ2 sensor detects gas or smoke; This factor allows us to state that the correlation is significant. In addition, it is concluded that the model that determines the behavior of the reception time of the alert signal by a mobile device, with respect to the distance in which the MQ2 sensor detects gas or smoke, is quadratic, with a determining factor  $R^2$  is 0.989. Finally, it is concluded that the fire alert system implemented with Arduino Mega technology and GSM SIM 900 Module allows text messages to be sent, responding optimally to signals between 0 and 70 cm, for a concentration level of 1045 ppm; if the gas or smoke signal is above this distance the alert signal is not generated.

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