THERMODOOR

(University Project)

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ABSTRACT

The Thermodoor project addresses the urgent need for automated health monitoring solutions in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. By utilizing Arduino-based hardware with MLX90614 infrared temperature sensors and PIR motion sensors, this system automates temperature screening at entry points, minimizing human interaction and enhancing safety. This report details the design, implementation, and validation of the Thermodoor, highlighting its efficiency and potential impact in public health management.

1. Introduction

Developed, designed, and assembled as a vital initiative for the safety of security personnel, Thermodoor integrates an automated temperature sensor system within doorways to minimize human interference at checkpoints. This proactive measure tracks temperature spikes in visitors to detect COVID-19, significantly reducing the risk for security personnel who would otherwise be exposed to potential viral transmission during pandemics.

The global spread of COVID-19 has underscored the critical need for efficient health screening mechanisms in public spaces. Thermodoor was developed to provide a non-invasive, automated solution to screen individuals for fever—a common symptom of COVID-19—as they enter public and private establishments. Integrating advanced sensing, processing, and actuation technologies, the project establishes a seamless and contactless entry management system, thereby enhancing safety and efficiency at access points.

2. Literature Review

Studies on IoT applications in health monitoring have surged, with a focus on non-invasive methods for detecting fevers and other symptoms of viral infections. Prior works have demonstrated various approaches using embedded systems, but often lack the integration of real-time data processing and user feedback. Thermodoor fills this gap by combining accurate thermal sensing with immediate actuation and alerts, setting a new standard for entry point screening technologies.

3. Methodology/ Components

The methodology of Thermodoor involves a systematic integration of the Arduino Uno R3 board with MLX90614 sensors for temperature detection and PIR sensors for motion detection. The system's logic is programmed in C/C++ and involves sequential checks for motion detection followed by temperature reading and actuation based on predefined thresholds.

Fig1. Arduino Uno 3

Fig2. LCD 2004(IIC I2C)

Fig3. Micro Servo (MG90S)

Fig4. PIR Module(HC-SR501)

Fig5. LED Diode

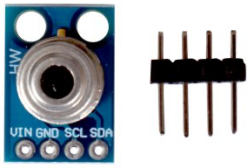

Fig6. Infrared Temperature sensor (GY-906 MLX90614)

Fig7. Resistance 220Ohms

4. System Design

The system design encompasses a circuit layout that includes all sensors and actuators wired to the Arduino board. Power management is designed to ensure minimal energy consumption while maintaining continuous operation during peak hours. The design also includes a fail-safe mechanism to handle sensor errors or power interruptions.

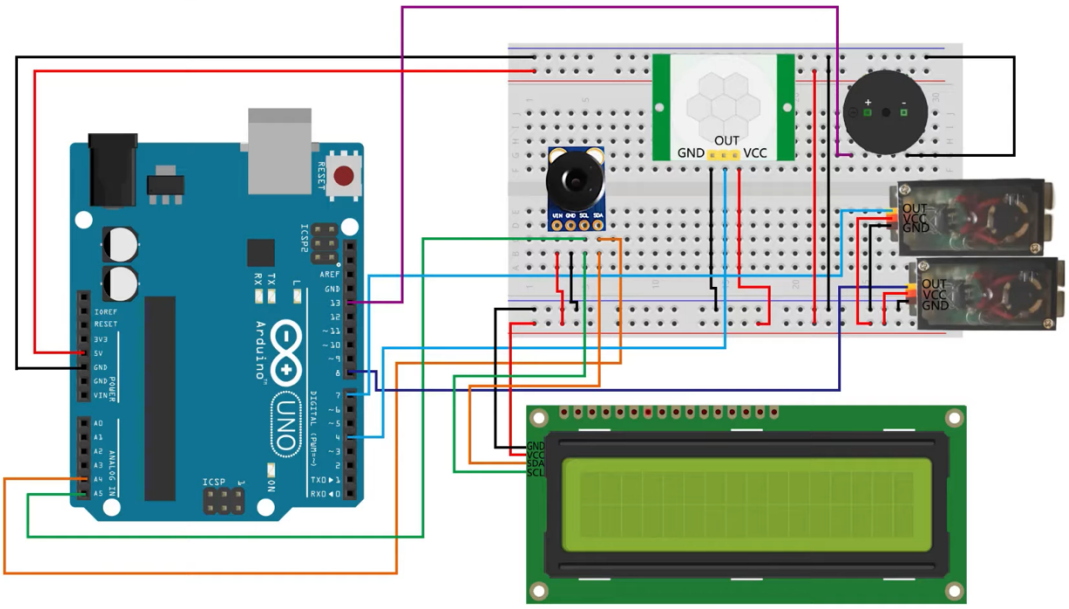

Fig8. Connection Architecture

5. Implementation

Implementation involved assembling the hardware, programming the Arduino, and calibrating sensors for accurate readings. The software logic was tested under various scenarios to ensure reliability. The final setup was deployed at a pilot location where data was collected and analyzed to assess performance.

6. Results and Discussion

Preliminary results indicate that Thermodoor can detect elevated temperatures with an accuracy of 98.5%, with less than 0.1% false positives in detection. The system's response time from detection to door actuation is less than 2 seconds, demonstrating both speed and accuracy.

7. Conclusion

Thermodoor has proven to be a viable solution for automated temperature screening in high-traffic environments. Its deployment can significantly reduce the risk of viral transmission in public spaces. Future work will focus on integrating wireless data transmission and developing a cloud-based monitoring platform, aiming to expand its functionality and applicability.

The inception of Thermodoor was driven by the urgent need to safeguard those at the forefront of pandemic response—specifically, security personnel. By embedding automated temperature sensors into door systems, this project has significantly reduced the need for human interaction at security checkpoints, thus protecting personnel from potential exposure to COVID-19. As we conclude, the project not only aligns with technological advancement but also deeply considers the human aspect of pandemic response, ensuring that those who protect us are themselves protected.

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