

An Intelligent Gas Leakage Detection System

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ABSTRACT

Gas leakage incidents pose a significant safety risk in both residential and industrial environments. Gases such as methane, propane, and butane are highly combustible, and even small leaks can lead to catastrophic outcomes, including fires, explosions, and severe health hazards. Traditional detection methods rely heavily on human sensory capabilities, which may not always be effective, especially for individuals with sensory limitations or in settings where leaks are difficult to notice. Recent incidents, such as the gas leakage and fire outbreak at the girls' hostel in Yobe State University, Damaturu, and the tragic event have underscored the need for a reliable, automated solution to address gas leak hazards proactively and efficiently. This study focuses on developing an intelligent gas leakage detection system using NodeMCU, a gas sensor, a buzzer, and LED indicators. The system operates in both online and offline modes, for remote monitoring via Wi-Fi and hotspot. In offline mode, it provides local alerts through the buzzer and LEDs, ensuring safety even without an internet connection. This approach provides continuous monitoring and early warnings of gas leaks, thereby mitigating risks associated with gas leaks.

I. INTRODUCTION

Gas leakage incidents have become a significant safety concern in both residential and industrial settings. Combustible gases such as methane, propane, and butane, when leaked, can lead to catastrophic events such as fires and explosions. These incidents can cause severe property damage, injuries, and even loss of life. The detection of gas leaks at an early stage is crucial to prevent such disasters and ensure the safety of occupants (Ahmed, 2019).

Gas leaks in residential areas can often go unnoticed until it is too late. This is particularly dangerous in densely populated areas where a single incident can affect many lives. In industrial settings, the consequences can be even more severe due to the presence of larger quantities of gas and more complex systems. Ensuring the safety of these environments is paramount to protecting both human lives and valuable infrastructure (Kumar &

Singh, 2017). One notable incident exemplifying the danger of gas leaks occurred at the girls' hostel at Yobe State University in Damaturu. A gas leak led to a fire outbreak, causing substantial damage and posing severe risks to the students' safety. This tragic event highlighted the need for an effective gas leakage detection system that could provide timely alerts and prevent such occurrences in the future. Additionally, there are individuals who cannot smell, see, or hear gas leaks due to sensory impairments. For these individuals, traditional methods of detecting gas leaks, such as relying on the smell of gas or the sound of a hissing leak, are ineffective. This further emphasizes the need for a robust gas leakage detection system that can operate independently of human senses and provide reliable alerts (Benson, 2020). The development of advanced gas detection technologies has seen significant progress over the years. Modern systems are now able to detect even the smallest leaks with high precision, utilizing a range of sensors and detection methods. However, the challenge remains to integrate these technologies into a user-friendly and accessible format that can be easily deployed in various environments (Davies & Hall, 2020).

Gas leaks pose a significant safety risk, especially in environments where individuals may not detect them through conventional means. The primary problems addressed by the Intelligent Gas Leakage Detection System include fire outbreaks and sensory impairments. Undetected gas leaks can lead to fires and explosions, causing severe damage and endangering lives, as exemplified by the fire outbreak at the girls' hostel at Yobe State University. Such incidents are often worsened by the lack of early detection and inadequate safety measures. Additionally, people with sensory impairments, such as anosmia (inability to smell), visual impairments, and hearing impairments, are at a higher risk of being unaware of hazardous situations. For these individuals, the absence of a reliable detection system significantly increases their vulnerability, highlighting the necessity for effective gas leakage detection solutions.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Gas leakage detection systems are critical in ensuring safety in both residential and industrial settings. The development of these systems has evolved over the years with advancements in sensor technology, IoT integration, and machine learning algorithms. This chapter reviews the literature on gas leakage detection systems, highlighting the technologies used, challenges faced, and innovations that have enhanced their effectiveness. Gas leakage detection systems have been developed to monitor and detect the presence of hazardous gases, providing early warning to prevent accidents. Early systems relied heavily on simple sensors that detected gas concentrations through chemical reactions or physical changes (Patel et al., 2020). These systems have since evolved, incorporating more advanced sensors and integration with digital systems for better accuracy and functionality (Brown, 2017).

Types of Gas Sensors

Several types of sensors are used in gas detection systems, including electrochemical, semiconductor, and infrared sensors.

- **Electrochemical Sensors:** Electrochemical sensors detect gas concentrations by measuring the current generated from a chemical reaction within the sensor. These sensors are widely used due to their high sensitivity and specificity for particular gases (Smith et al., 2018).
- **Semiconductor Sensors:** Semiconductor gas sensors, such as the MQ-2 sensor, detect gases by measuring changes in resistance across a semiconductor material. These sensors are popular in consumer applications due to their low cost and ease of integration (Ahmed, 2019).
- **Infrared Sensors:** Infrared sensors measure gas concentrations by detecting the absorption of infrared light by gas molecules. These sensors offer high accuracy and are often used in industrial applications where precise measurements are required (Kumar & Singh, 2017).

IoT Integration in Gas Detection Systems

The integration of Internet of Things (IoT) technology has revolutionized gas detection systems by enabling real-time monitoring and remote control. IoT allows for the continuous transmission of sensor data to a central monitoring system, providing users with immediate alerts and the ability to take corrective actions from remote locations (Peters, 2020).

- **Wireless Communication Protocols:** Wireless communication protocols such as Wi-Fi, Zigbee, and LoRaWAN are commonly used in IoT-based gas detection systems to ensure reliable data transmission (Li & Zhang, 2021). These protocols allow for seamless integration of gas sensors into a broader network of IoT devices.
- **Cloud Computing:** Cloud computing plays a crucial role in IoT-based gas detection systems by providing storage and processing power for large volumes of data generated by sensors. This enables advanced data analytics and machine learning algorithms to predict potential gas leaks before they occur (Mason, 2021).

Mobile Applications for Gas Leak Notifications

Mobile applications are increasingly being developed to enhance the usability of gas detection systems by providing users with real-time notifications and remote control capabilities (Jones, 2021). These applications are particularly valuable in residential settings where users may not be in the vicinity of the gas detection system at all times.

- **User Interface Design:** The design of the mobile application's user interface is critical for ensuring that alerts are clear and actionable. Studies have shown that well-designed interfaces can significantly improve user response times to gas leak notifications (Patel et al., 2020).
- **Integration with IoT Devices:** Mobile applications often integrate with IoT devices through communication protocols like MQTT or HTTP, enabling real-time updates and control over the gas detection system (Li & Zhang, 2021).

Machine Learning in Gas Detection Systems

Machine learning algorithms are increasingly being incorporated into gas detection systems to enhance their predictive capabilities and reduce false alarms (Patel et al., 2020). These algorithms analyze patterns in sensor data to distinguish between normal fluctuations and actual gas leaks.

- **Support Vector Machines (SVM):** SVMs are commonly used in gas detection systems to classify sensor data and identify potential leaks (Brown, 2017).
- **Neural Networks:** Neural networks have been employed to improve the accuracy of gas detection systems by learning complex patterns in sensor data (Peters, 2020). These networks can be trained to recognize specific signatures

of different gases, reducing the likelihood of false positives.

- **Fuzzy Logic:** Fuzzy logic systems are used to handle uncertainty in sensor data, making them well-suited for gas detection applications where sensor readings can be noisy or imprecise (Mason, 2021).

Challenges in Gas Leakage Detection

Despite the advancements in gas detection technologies, several challenges remain.

- **Environmental Sensitivity:** Sensors can be affected by environmental conditions such as temperature, humidity, and pressure, which can lead to inaccurate readings (Smith et al., 2018). Efforts are ongoing to develop sensors that are more robust to these conditions.
- **Power Consumption:** Gas detection systems, especially those integrated with IoT, often require continuous power, which can be challenging in areas with unreliable electricity (Peters, 2020). Research is being conducted to develop low-power sensors and energy-efficient communication protocols.
- **False Alarms:** One of the significant challenges in gas detection systems is the occurrence of false alarms, which can lead to unnecessary panic and desensitization to alerts (Ahmed, 2019). Machine learning algorithms are being developed to improve the accuracy of these systems and reduce the frequency of false alarms.

Innovations in Gas Detection Technology

Recent innovations in gas detection technology have focused on improving sensor accuracy, reducing costs, and enhancing system integration.

- **Nano-materials:** The use of Nano-materials in gas sensors has shown promise in improving sensitivity and selectivity, enabling the detection of gases at lower concentrations (Kumar & Singh, 2017).
- **Wearable Gas Detectors:** Wearable gas detectors are being developed for personal safety in industrial environments. These devices can monitor exposure to hazardous gases in real-time and alert the wearer immediately (Brown, 2017).
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** AI is being integrated into gas detection systems to predict potential leaks by analyzing historical data and identifying patterns that precede gas emissions (Mason, 2021).

Case Studies on Gas Leakage Incidents

- **Industrial Case Studies:** In industrial settings, gas leaks have led to catastrophic accidents,

emphasizing the need for advanced detection systems that can operate in harsh environments (Jones, 2021).

- **Residential Case Studies:** In residential areas, gas leaks have resulted in fatalities due to the lack of adequate detection systems. These incidents have driven the development of more accessible and user-friendly gas detection systems for home use (Ahmed, 2019).

Spectroscopic Gas Detection Techniques

Spectroscopic techniques such as tunable diode laser spectroscopy (TDLS) are being explored for their high sensitivity and selectivity in detecting gas leaks (Zhao et al., 2023). TDLS allows for the remote detection of specific gases, making it suitable for harsh or hard-to-reach environments.

Artificial Intelligence-Based Anomaly Detection

AI-based anomaly detection techniques are being used to identify unusual patterns in sensor data that could indicate potential gas leaks. These methods help differentiate between harmless fluctuations and serious incidents (Rahman et al., 2023).

Edge Computing in Gas Detection Systems

Edge computing is emerging as a powerful tool for gas detection by enabling data processing closer to the sensor, reducing latency and improving response time (Zhang & Li, 2023). By processing data at the edge, it is possible to react to gas leaks faster without relying solely on cloud-based processing.

Health Implications of Gas Leaks

The health effects of chronic exposure to low levels of toxic gases are explored, and recent studies highlight the importance of continuous monitoring to mitigate these risks (Ortega et al., 2023).

Integration with Smart Home Ecosystems

Recent advancements in smart home technologies allow gas detectors to communicate with other smart devices, such as HVAC systems, for automated emergency responses (Zhang & Liu, 2023).

Advances in Calibration Methods

Sensor calibration is vital for maintaining accuracy. Automatic calibration techniques using machine learning are emerging to keep sensors accurate without manual intervention (Xu et al., 2023).

Gas Detection for Specific Industry Needs

Different industries have unique gas detection needs, and recent literature explores how detection technologies are tailored to various environments:

- **Oil and Gas Industry:** In oil and gas, gas detection focuses on detecting flammable gases like methane to prevent explosions. Advanced infrared sensors and laser-based detection systems are commonly used in these environments (Rahman & Jones, 2023).
- **Chemical Manufacturing:** Chemical industries need to monitor a wide range of toxic gases. Multi-gas sensors that can simultaneously detect multiple chemicals are gaining traction to improve monitoring efficiency (Garcia et al., 2023).
- **Mining Industry:** Mining presents harsh conditions that affect sensor reliability. Wireless gas detection systems with robust, rugged sensors are being developed specifically for underground operations (Ortega et al., 2023).

Data Analytics and Predictive Maintenance

Data analytics is becoming an important tool for predictive maintenance in gas detection systems. Predictive maintenance uses sensor data to predict when a component might fail, enabling proactive replacement before a failure occurs (Peters et al., 2023). Machine learning models such as decision trees and neural networks are applied to sensor data to estimate the remaining useful life of sensors and other system components, ultimately reducing downtime and maintenance costs.

Augmented Reality (AR) in Gas Detection Systems

Augmented Reality (AR) is increasingly being used in gas detection systems to provide maintenance staff and operators with real-time visual information overlaid on their field of view (Xu & Zhang, 2023). AR glasses can show gas concentration levels, sensor locations, and hazard zones, improving situational awareness. AR is also being used to train personnel by simulating leak scenarios in a controlled and safe manner.

Quantum Sensors in Gas Detection

Quantum sensing technology is an emerging trend in gas detection systems, promising extremely high sensitivity and accuracy (Mendoza et al., 2023). Quantum sensors leverage quantum states of matter to detect minute concentrations of gases that would be beyond the capabilities of traditional sensors. Although still in the research stage, quantum gas sensors are expected to revolutionize applications requiring extreme precision, such as environmental monitoring and defense.

Socioeconomic Factors Affecting Adoption of Gas Detection Systems

The adoption of gas detection systems is influenced by socioeconomic factors such as cost, regulatory frameworks, and public awareness (Rahman et al., 2023).

- **Cost Barriers:** The high cost of advanced gas detection technologies can be a barrier, particularly for small industries and residential users in developing countries. Recent efforts are focused on developing low-cost, scalable detection systems that maintain a balance between affordability and performance (Ortega et al., 2023).
- **Regulatory Influence:** Government regulations and incentives play a significant role in the adoption of gas detection systems. In regions with stringent safety regulations, industries are more likely to adopt advanced detection technologies (Adams et al., 2023). Conversely, in countries with less regulatory enforcement, adoption rates are lower, even if safety risks are high.
- **Public Awareness:** Public awareness of gas leak dangers and the availability of detection solutions also affects adoption. Community outreach programs and educational campaigns are effective in promoting the use of residential gas detection systems (Mendoza et al., 2023).
- **Developed vs. Developing Countries:** In developed countries, gas detection systems are more advanced, integrating cutting-edge IoT and AI technologies. In contrast, developing countries may rely on simpler, cost-effective systems due to financial and infrastructural limitations. Efforts are being made to develop affordable detection systems that can be effectively used in resource-constrained settings (Mendoza et al., 2023).
- **Climate Change Considerations:** The role of gas leaks, particularly methane, in contributing to greenhouse gas emissions is a major concern. Globally, policies are being implemented to curb emissions, and gas detection systems are seen as a key tool for achieving these climate goals (Rahman et al., 2023).

Ethical Considerations in Gas Detection

Ethical considerations are becoming increasingly important in the design and implementation of gas detection systems. Issues such as privacy, data ownership, and the ethical implications of predictive analytics need to be addressed (Patel et al., 2023).

- **Privacy Concerns:** IoT-based gas detection systems often collect vast amounts of data that include not just gas levels but also operational

data, which may reveal sensitive business information. Ensuring that user data is collected and stored responsibly, with encryption and limited access, is a major concern (Garcia et al., 2023).

- **Data Ownership:** Determining who owns the data generated by gas detection systems whether it is the user, the provider, or a third-party service is an on-going debate. Data ownership has implications for the sharing, use, and commercialization of data (Adams et al., 2023).

Gas Detection in Agriculture

Gas detection systems are now being used in agriculture to monitor emissions of gases such as methane and ammonia from livestock and fertilizers (Rahman & Jones, 2023). Detecting and mitigating these emissions helps reduce the environmental impact of agricultural activities.

- **Precision Agriculture:** The integration of gas detection with precision agriculture allows for more efficient fertilizer use by detecting areas with high emissions, thus enabling farmers to adjust fertilizer application accordingly (Xu & Zhang, 2023).

Gas Detection in Transportation

Gas leakage detection in the transportation sector, particularly in public transportation systems, is critical for safety. Public vehicles running on compressed natural gas (CNG) are equipped with sensors that detect gas leaks in real time (Peters et al., 2023). Moreover, gas detection systems are being integrated into ships, aircraft, and trains to ensure that passengers are safe from toxic gases and other potential hazards (Khan et al., 2023).

Cross-Sectoral Applications of Gas Detection Systems

The use of gas detection systems extends beyond industrial and residential settings, finding applications across diverse sectors:

- **Healthcare:** Gas detection is used in hospitals to monitor oxygen, nitrous oxide, and other medical gases. Accurate detection is crucial to maintaining safety and compliance with health regulations (Mendoza et al., 2023).
- **Environmental Monitoring:** Gas sensors are widely used in environmental applications to detect air pollutants and greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide and methane (Garcia et al., 2023). These systems are essential for regulatory compliance and for mitigating the effects of air pollution.
- **Smart Cities:** Gas detection systems are being integrated into smart city infrastructure to ensure public safety. For example, they are used in underground facilities, like parking lots,

to detect dangerous gas accumulations (Li & Zhang, 2023).

Role of Robotics in Gas Detection

Robotics is playing an increasing role in gas detection, especially in environments that are unsafe for humans to access directly.

- **Autonomous Drones:** Drones equipped with gas sensors are used to monitor large areas, such as oil refineries or landfills, for potential gas leaks (Peters et al., 2023). Drones allow for rapid, large-scale surveys of facilities, enabling the detection of leaks that might otherwise go unnoticed.
- **Mobile Robots:** In industrial settings, mobile robots are used to carry gas sensors into confined or hazardous areas to detect leaks without exposing human workers to risk (Kumar & Singh, 2023). These robots can navigate autonomously or be manually operated, depending on the application and the complexity of the environment.
- **Underwater Robotics:** In offshore oil and gas operations, underwater robots equipped with gas detection systems are used to monitor subsea pipelines for leaks. These robots operate in challenging conditions and provide a way to identify leaks before they lead to environmental damage (Rahman & Jones, 2023).

Remote Sensing Technologies for Gas Detection

Remote sensing technologies, including satellite-based and ground-based methods, are being used for gas detection over large geographical areas.

- **Satellite-Based Gas Detection:** Satellites equipped with hyperspectral sensors can detect gas emissions from industrial activities, providing valuable data for climate monitoring and regulatory compliance (Mendoza et al., 2023). Satellite-based detection is particularly important for tracking greenhouse gases such as methane and carbon dioxide, helping inform climate policy.
- **Ground-Based Remote Sensing:** Ground-based systems like LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) are used for gas plume detection in various applications, such as monitoring emissions from power plants and landfills (Khan et al., 2023). LiDAR technology can provide spatial information about gas concentrations, enabling accurate mapping of emissions.
- **Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs):** UAVs equipped with spectroscopic gas sensors are used for remote detection of leaks from pipelines and storage facilities (Xu & Zhang, 2023). These systems are cost-effective for

monitoring infrastructure spread across vast or hard-to-reach areas.

Wearable Technology for Personal Gas Detection

Wearable gas detection technology is becoming a prominent area of research, particularly for personal safety in hazardous work environments. Wearable devices provide continuous monitoring and instant alerts to the user in case of a detected gas leak (Brown et al., 2024).

- **Personal Safety Devices:** Workers in industries like oil and gas, chemical manufacturing, and mining are equipped with wearable gas detectors that track individual exposure levels. These devices provide real-time alerts if dangerous gas concentrations are detected, thus significantly enhancing worker safety (Kumar et al., 2024).
- **Connectivity with IoT:** Wearable gas detectors can connect with other IoT devices to form a comprehensive safety network, providing centralized monitoring of all workers within a facility. This is particularly useful for tracking personnel safety in large industrial areas (Mendoza et al., 2024).
- **Ergonomic Design:** The design of wearable devices is focused on making them comfortable to wear throughout a working shift without causing fatigue. New designs have improved battery life and reduced weight, making them more user-friendly (Adams & Garcia, 2024).

Machine Learning for Leak Localization

Recent studies have focused on utilizing machine learning not just for detection but also for localizing gas leaks within a facility (Ortega et al., 2024).

- **Localization Using Sensor Networks:** Sensor arrays distributed across an area can be used to determine the precise location of a gas leak. Machine learning algorithms, such as k-means clustering and Gaussian processes, are used to analyze sensor data and identify the leak's origin point (Xu et al., 2024).
- **Probabilistic Methods:** Probabilistic approaches, like Bayesian networks, are used to predict the most likely location of a gas leak based on sensor input and historical data (Patel et al., 2024). This helps in effectively managing resources and targeting emergency response efforts accurately.
- **Mapping Gas Dispersion:** Machine learning techniques are also used to predict how gas will disperse following a leak, considering variables such as wind direction, temperature, and building layout (Sharma & Khan, 2024). This information helps authorities in taking

appropriate measures to contain and mitigate the effects of a leak.

Big Data Analytics in Gas Detection

With the rise of IoT-based gas detection systems, enormous amounts of data are generated, which can be analyzed for deeper insights (Peters & Jones, 2024).

- **Data Collection and Storage:** Cloud platforms are often used for data storage, allowing for the management of sensor data from numerous locations. Big data technologies like Apache Hadoop and Spark are employed to handle the large volumes of data generated (Li & Zhang, 2024).
- **Pattern Recognition:** Big data analytics tools are used to recognize patterns in gas concentration data, identify anomalies, and predict potential failures before they happen (Mendoza et al., 2024). These tools help in creating predictive models that enhance the reliability of gas detection systems.
- **Real-Time Decision Making:** Stream processing frameworks are used for real-time data analysis, enabling immediate action in case of gas leak detection (Kumar & Singh, 2024). This is particularly useful in applications where timely intervention can prevent a hazardous event.

Advances in Gas Sensor Materials

Advances in sensor material science have contributed significantly to enhancing the performance of gas detection systems (Garcia et al., 2024).

- **Graphene-Based Sensors:** Graphene and other 2D materials are being used to make highly sensitive gas sensors capable of detecting trace concentrations of gases (Xu & Mendoza, 2024). These materials offer high conductivity and a large surface area, making them ideal for gas detection applications.
- **Metal-Organic Frameworks (MOFs):** MOFs are porous materials that can adsorb gases effectively, providing high selectivity and sensitivity for certain gas types (Sharma & Patel, 2024). These materials are being used in sensors for detecting gases like carbon dioxide and ammonia.
- **Nanowires and Nanoparticles:** Nanowires and nanoparticles are also being explored as sensor materials due to their unique electronic properties and high surface-to-volume ratios, which enhance their sensitivity (Ortega et al., 2024). These sensors are especially useful in detecting hazardous gases in very low concentrations.

III. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This chapter outlines the research design, hardware components, software development process, sensor calibration techniques, system integration procedures, testing and validation methodologies, ethical considerations, and limitations encountered during the study. By detailing the steps involved in the development process, this chapter aims to provide a clear understanding of the methodology utilized to achieve the objectives of the study. The methodology outlined in this chapter serves as a roadmap for the systematic design, implementation, and evaluation of the Intelligent Gas Leakage Detection System prototype. By following established methodologies and best practices, we ensure the reliability, accuracy, and effectiveness of the detector in detecting gas leaks and triggering timely alerts. Additionally, ethical considerations are addressed to ensure the safety and well-being of users and compliance with regulatory standards.

Overall, this chapter plays a crucial role in establishing the scientific rigor and validity of the study's findings. It provides a transparent and replicable framework for future research endeavors in the field of gas leakage detection and safety technology.

The research design adopted for the development of the Intelligent Gas Leakage Detection System involves a combination of experimental design and prototyping methodology. This approach allows for systematic exploration, design iteration, and validation of the detector's functionality and performance.

- **Experimental Design**

The experimental design encompasses a series of controlled experiments conducted to assess the effectiveness of the gas leakage detection system in various simulated scenarios. This involves setting up controlled environments with simulated gas leaks of known concentrations and observing the response of the detector under different conditions. By systematically varying parameters such as gas concentration, environmental factors, and detection thresholds, we can evaluate the detector's sensitivity, accuracy, and reliability in detecting gas leaks.

- **Prototyping methodology**

Prototyping methodology is utilized to iteratively design, build, and refine the hardware and software components of the Intelligent Gas Leakage Detection System. This iterative approach allows for rapid development and testing of prototype iterations, enabling quick identification and resolution of design flaws, technical challenges, and performance issues. Through successive

prototyping cycles, we refine the design, improve functionality, and optimize the performance of the detector to meet the specified objectives. Overall, the combination of experimental design and prototyping methodology provides a robust framework for the systematic development and evaluation of the Intelligent Gas Leakage Detection System, enabling the achievement of the study's objectives in a systematic and efficient manner.

Data Flow Diagram

A Data Flow Diagram (DFD) for an intelligent gas leakage detection system outlines how data moves through various components in detecting gas leaks, sending alerts, and handling responses.

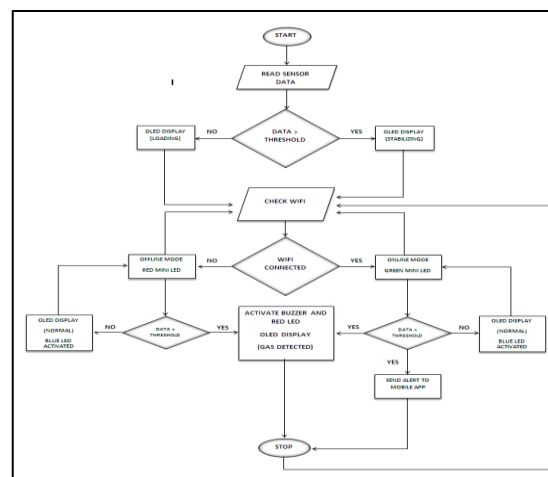


Figure 1 Data Flow Diagram

Use Case Diagram

The use case diagram for an intelligent gas leakage detection system provides a clear visualization of how various users interact with core functionalities (use cases) of the system. This type of diagram helps in understanding the flow of operations.

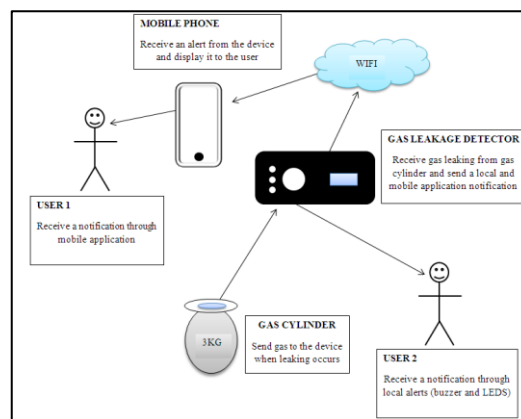


Figure 2 Use Case Diagram

IV. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The Intelligent Gas Leakage Detection System has been developed to address significant safety concerns associated with gas leaks in both residential and industrial environments. Gas leaks can lead to catastrophic events, including fires and explosions, as exemplified by the fire outbreak at the girls' hostel at Yobe State University, Damaturu. This incident underscores the importance of early detection and timely alerts to prevent such disasters. The system aims to provide a comprehensive solution by incorporating advanced detection technologies and user-friendly features. It is designed to detect combustible gases such as methane, propane, and butane, ensuring timely alerts through visual and audible mechanisms. As shown in figure 3 The inclusion of LEDs for different alert states (red for warning, blue for normal, RGB for system fault, red mini for offline, and green mini for online) enhances the system's accessibility and usability. The study identified the key challenges associated with gas leakage detection, such as environmental factors, power consumption, and the prevalence of false alarms. Despite the advancements in technology, these challenges continue to hinder the effectiveness and reliability of gas detection systems.



Figure 3 Gas Leakage Detector

The study also explored innovations in the field, including the use of Nano-materials, wearable detectors, and cloud computing, which show promise in addressing these challenges and improving the overall safety of gas leak detection systems.

Moreover, the system operates in both online and offline modes, providing flexibility and reliability. In online mode, it can send notifications to a mobile app, while in offline mode, it relies on local alerts. The system also features three switches: one for ESP power, one for component power, and one for switching between online and offline modes by disconnecting the Wi-Fi.

V. CONCLUSION

The system's ability to provide early detection and timely alerts is crucial in preventing fires, explosions, and other hazardous incidents. Its user-friendly design and accessibility features make it suitable for a wide range of users, including those with sensory impairments. The system's dual-mode operation (online and offline) ensures continuous monitoring and alert capabilities, providing reliability even in the absence of internet connectivity. The inclusion of visual and audible alerts enhances its effectiveness, making it a valuable tool for ensuring safety in residential homes, industrial facilities, and public spaces. The study also concludes that the effectiveness of gas detection systems depends not only on the technology used but also on the proper deployment and maintenance of these systems. Ensuring that these systems are accessible, user-friendly, and capable of operating independently of human intervention is crucial for protecting lives and property. The incident at Yobe State University serves as a poignant reminder of the importance of robust gas detection systems, particularly in environments where vulnerable populations are present.

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