

# Intelligent IoT-Driven Smart Traffic Management System for Efficient Urban Mobility

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**Abstract:** Smart Traffic Management (STM) is a transformative approach to urban transportation that leverages advanced technologies to optimize traffic flow, reduce congestion, and enhance road safety. This system integrates real-time data from a network of sensors, cameras, and connected vehicles to dynamically manage traffic signals, monitor road conditions, and coordinate vehicle movement.

By utilizing Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IoT) technologies, STM systems can predict and respond to traffic patterns, minimizing delays and improving overall efficiency. The implementation of smart traffic solutions has shown significant potential in reducing travel times, lowering emissions, and improving the quality of life in urban environments. The increasing urbanization and rising vehicle population have led to significant traffic congestion, impacting transportation efficiency, safety, and the environment. This project proposes a Smart Traffic Management System utilizing Internet of Things (IoT) technologies to enhance urban traffic control and optimize traffic flow.

The system integrates various IoT devices, including smart traffic signals, vehicle detection sensors, and surveillance cameras, to collect real-time data on traffic conditions. The proposed system aims to reduce traffic congestion, enhance road safety, and lower emissions, contributing to more sustainable urban environments. Pilot studies indicate a potential reduction in travel time by up to 30%, showcasing the effectiveness of IoT-based traffic management. Future work will focus on scalability, integration with existing transportation systems, and user feedback mechanisms to continuously refine the approach.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Traffic congestion is a major urban challenge, leading to increased travel times, fuel consumption, and pollution. The advent of the Internet of Things (IoT) offers innovative solutions to enhance traffic management systems. This project aims to develop a smart traffic management system that utilizes IoT technologies to optimize traffic flow, reduce congestion, and improve overall urban mobility. The proposed system integrates various IoT devices,

including smart traffic signals, sensors, and cameras, to collect real-time data on vehicle movement, pedestrian activity, and environmental conditions. This data is processed using advanced algorithms to analyze traffic patterns, predict congestion, and dynamically adjust traffic signal timings.

Smart Traffic Management -Smart traffic management refers to the use of advanced technologies and data analytics to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of traffic systems. This approach leverages tools like sensors, cameras, and artificial intelligence to monitor and control traffic flow, reduce congestion, and enhance safety. Smart traffic management systems can adapt in real-time to changing conditions, provide dynamic traffic signals, and offer real-time information to drivers. The goal is to create a more efficient, safer, and environmentally friendly transportation network. By leveraging IoT, this project aims to create a more efficient, responsive, and sustainable urban transportation system, ultimately enhancing the quality of life for city residents. The rapid growth of urbanization and the increasing number of vehicles have led to congestion, accidents, and inefficient traffic flow in cities worldwide.

Traditional traffic management systems, which rely heavily on manual monitoring or simple signal-based control, often fail to adapt to real-time traffic conditions and thus exacerbate these issues

In response to these challenges, a Smart Traffic Management System leveraging Internet of Things (IoT) technology can provide a more efficient, adaptive, and data-driven solution to improve traffic control, reduce congestion, and enhance road safety. The ESP32 WROOM-based IoT Smart Traffic Management System offers a promising approach by incorporating real-time data collection, processing, and communication to optimize traffic flow in urban environments. This system integrates a variety of sensors and devices to monitor traffic conditions,

adjust signals dynamically, and communicate the data to centralized servers or cloud platforms for analysis and decision-making. A smart traffic management system (STMS) based on the Internet of Things (IoT) and ESP32 can use sensors to monitor traffic and control signals. Sensors Collect data on traffic density, weather, and vehicle type, destination, and speed ESP32 A microcontroller that controls traffic signals based on the data collected by the sensors Control panel.

## II. LITERATURE REVIEW

[1]Traditional traffic management systems are facing serious challenges as a result of the fast increase in urban populations and vehicle traffic. Among the major problems are traffic jams, accidents, pollution, and improper flow of traffic. A possible solution for these kinds of problems is the introduction of the Internet of Things (IoT) through traffic management. Sensors, communication networks, data analytics, and automation are all utilized through IoT-based smart traffic management systems to help improve traffic flow, lower incidents, and enhance infrastructure use.

The deployment of connected devices (such as sensors, cameras, and smart traffic signals) that collect data in real time with regard to traffic conditions, vehicle counts, speeds, and environmental factors is the concept behind the use of IoT in traffic management. this data is communicated to a central system for analysis, which in turn makes it possible for informed decision- making to control and optimize traffic flow. The devices do almost all of the work without any human involvement, but humans can interact with them to set them up, provide instructions, or consider the data. All of the minimal mobile components that are now available, as well as the reality that our home and business networks are continuously online, have made their presence possible.

A huge amount of Internet traffic also get generated by connected devices, along with a wealth of data that can be mined for other uses as well to being used to make the devices useful. Concerns about security and privacy are brought up by all of this new data as well as the devices' access to the internet. However, we now have access to a level of real-time information never before possible through this technology. We can keep watch on our families and homes from far away to ensure their security. Organizations can

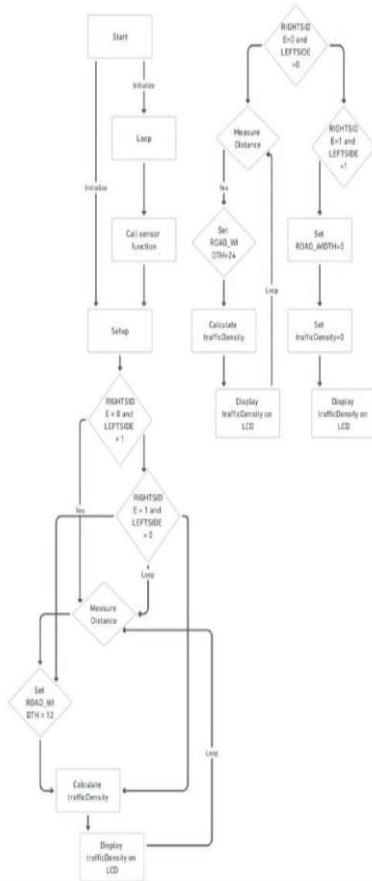
enhance procedures to improve output while reducing down on unexpected downtime and material waste. In addition to reducing traffic, sensors in urban infrastructure may alert us when infrastructure is about to collapse. Outdoor devices can keep watch out for shifting environmental conditions and alert us to incoming disasters.

The literature offers a number of encouraging topics for further investigation: To construct completely automated traffic systems, IoT systems can be used in combination with autonomous vehicle technology. By offering transparent and unbreakable data sharing, blockchain technology reduces security worries. To cut carbon emissions, IoT-based traffic systems can give importance to green areas.

## III. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The proposed methodology can be cost-effective and scalable, making it suitable for implementation in various locations. The system's alerts can be sent to traffic authorities, who can take necessary actions, such as issuing fines or penalties, or using the data to improve traffic flow and safety. Efficiency in a transportation system can be defined as the degree of alignment between its operational goals and the level of resources expended to achieve them. This implies that the system's movement levels should be optimized in relation to its objectives and the financial resources needed for its Traffic management system is a cornerstone of a Smart city. In the current problems of the world, urban mobility is one of the major problems, especially in metropolitan cities. Previous traffic management systems are not capable enough to tackle this growth of traffic on the road networks. The purpose of this paper is to propose a smart traffic management system using the Internet of Things and a decentralized approach to optimize traffic on the roads and intelligent algorithms to manage all traffic situations more accurately.

## IV. PROGRAM FLOW CHART



V. BLOCK DIAGRAM

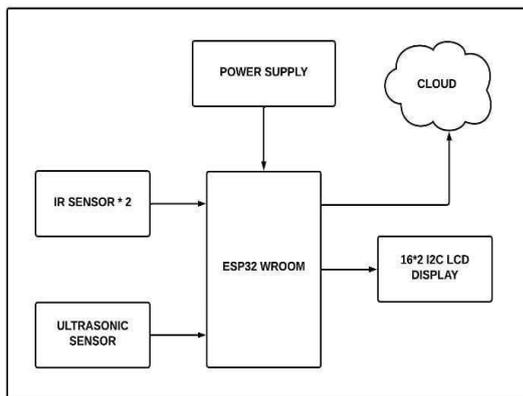


Fig 1] Traffic control

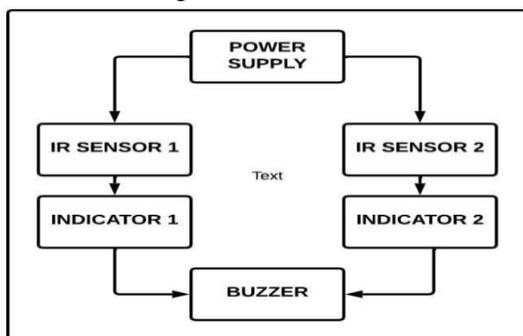


Fig 2] At turning

Fig 1] In Fig 1, the power supply provides 12V to the circuit, which is then processed through a 7805 voltage regulator to convert the 12V input into a stable 5V output. This 5V regulated output is essential to power the ESP32-WROOM module, which is the central processing unit for the entire system. The ESP32-WROOM module requires a steady and regulated 5V input to function correctly, and the 7805 voltage regulator ensures this by stepping down the 12V input.

The voltage regulator’s operation is further stabilized by the use of input capacitors. A 470µF, 35V electrolytic capacitor is placed on the input side of the regulator. This large capacitor helps filter out any high-frequency noise or fluctuations in the input voltage, ensuring a steady and smooth voltage is fed into the regulator. It also helps stabilize the power supply in case of transient voltage spikes that may occur in the power line, which could otherwise disrupt the functioning of the entire circuit.

In addition to the electrolytic input capacitor, ceramic capacitors with a value of 0.1µF are also placed at both the input and output terminals of the regulator. These small-value capacitors are critical for high-stability performance and low-loss characteristics. Ceramic capacitors are particularly effective at filtering high-frequency noise, which is important to ensure that the ESP32 module receives clean and noise-free power, allowing for stable operation.

The resistors used in the circuit, specifically 10Ω, 1-watt resistors, serve various functions. One key role of these resistors is to limit the current flow to specific components to protect them from excessive current that could damage sensitive components. They also play a role in setting voltage levels at certain points in the circuit, such as the base of transistors or to provide the correct current for sensors like ultrasonic modules or IR sensors.

As for the ultrasonic sensors used in the system, sensor 1 and sensor 2 are powered by the regulated 5V output. The VCC pins of both ultrasonic sensors are connected to the 5V supply. The TRIG (trigger) and ECHO (echo) pins of the ultrasonic sensors are connected to the appropriate GPIO pins of the ESP32-WROOM. These connections enable the ESP32 to communicate with the ultrasonic sensors for distance measurement, which is a key functionality in many automation and robotics applications.

Additionally, the system includes an LCD display. The VCC pin of the LCD is also connected to the 5V power supply, while the SDA (Serial Data) and SCL (Serial Clock) pins of the LCD are connected to the corresponding GPIO pins of the ESP32-WROOM. These pins enable communication between the ESP32 and the LCD, which could be used to display system status, measurements, or other important data.

Fig 2, the circuit includes two IR sensors used for object detection. The VCC pins of both IR sensors are connected to the +5V power supply, which provides the necessary power for the sensors to function. The GND (Ground) pin of both sensors is connected to the common ground of the circuit. The OUT pins of the IR sensors are connected to Resistors 1 and 2, respectively. These resistors are placed to limit the current flowing from the output pins of the IR sensors, ensuring that the downstream components do not receive too much current and are protected from potential damage.

The output of these IR sensors is fed to transistors Q1 and Q2. These transistors serve as switches that control the flow of current to other components in the circuit. When the IR sensors detect an object, their output pin sends a signal that triggers the base of the respective transistor (Q1 or Q2). The transistor then closes or opens the circuit, allowing current to flow to the connected components.

For example, the LEDs placed at turning points of the system are controlled by the output of these IR sensors. When an object is detected, the corresponding LED at the turning point will light up, indicating the presence of an object in that area. This feature is commonly used in automated systems, robotics, or object tracking systems where knowing the position of objects is critical.

Additionally, the system includes a buzzer that produces sound when an object is detected. The buzzing sound serves as an alert or warning, indicating that an object has entered a detection zone. The buzzer is activated by the output from the transistors, and it can be used in various applications, such as security systems, robotic navigation, or alarm systems.

In this setup, the IR sensors and transistors work together to provide a simple yet effective object detection and notification mechanism. The IR sensors continuously monitor for objects in their field

of view. When an object is detected, the associated LED lights up, and the buzzer sounds, alerting the system or operator to the presence of an object.

#### Overall System Functionality

The circuit described in both Fig 1 and Fig 2 creates a system that integrates power regulation, object detection, and output signaling (via LEDs and buzzers). The ESP32-WROOM microcontroller acts as the central brain of the system, coordinating the sensors (ultrasonic and IR) and handling the communication with the LCD display. The power supply circuit ensures that all components receive stable and clean voltage, while the sensor circuits provide real-time data to the ESP32, which can then take appropriate actions, such as activating an LED or buzzer when an object is detected.

This type of system could be used in a variety of applications, such as smart home devices, security systems, automation, robotics, or any other project where distance measurement, object detection, and alerting are required. The integration of the power regulation circuit, sensors, and the output system makes this design both robust and versatile for a wide range of use cases.

## VI. RESULTS

The real-time traffic monitoring system uses ultrasonic sensors to measure traffic density, the IR sensor to detect the sensors



Fig 1) Ultrasonic sensor

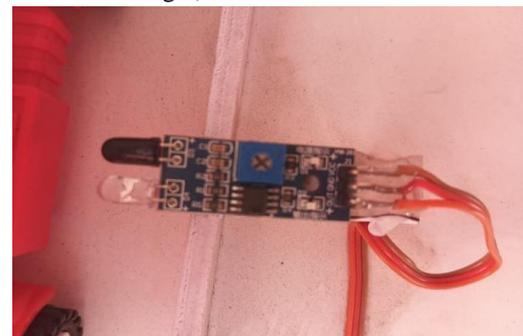


Fig 2) IR Sensor



Fig 3) Display

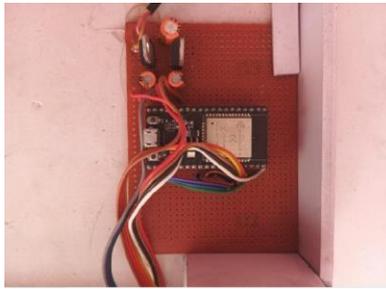


Fig 4) ESP32 Wroom



Fig 2) Graph

VII. NOTIFICATIONS

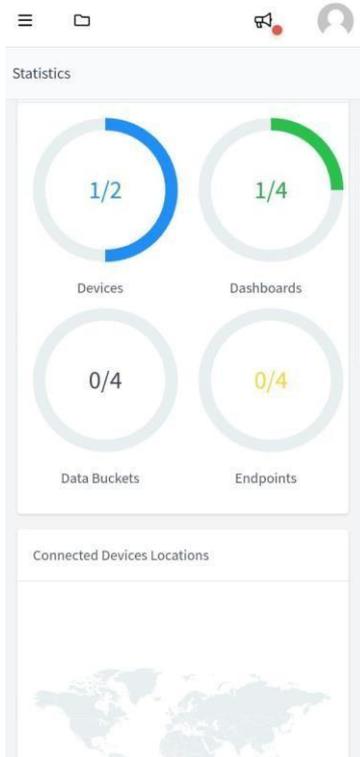


Fig 1) Dashboard

VIII. CONCLUSION

The present system fails to efficiently manage increasing traffic. This study proposes a smart traffic management system to improve efficiency and effectiveness. The system analyses sensor data to dynamically set traffic signal times and delivers the data to a cloud server via Wi-Fi module for further analysis. The system handles emergency vehicles and can identify and issue fines for traffic signal violations via the Traffic Wallet smartphone app. This idea is specific to developing nations, particularly India. The system is more cost-effective than current systems in developing nations. However, roadside sensors require security measures to ensure their effectiveness. The government can implement the proposed strategy immediately to reduce traffic congestion in India.



Before



After

## IX. FUTURE SCOPE

The future scope of an IoT-based smart traffic management system using ESP32 WROOM is highly promising, as it has the potential to revolutionize urban mobility and improve traffic efficiency. With the rapid growth of smart cities, integrating IoT technology into traffic management systems will enable real-time monitoring and dynamic traffic control, leading to reduced congestion, enhanced safety, and optimized resource usage. The ESP32 WROOM, a powerful microcontroller with Wi-Fi and Bluetooth capabilities, is ideal for such applications due to its low power consumption, high processing power, and wireless communication support.

In the future, such systems could incorporate advanced AI and machine learning algorithms to predict traffic patterns, identify traffic anomalies, and adjust traffic signals accordingly. By connecting multiple IoT-enabled devices, such as traffic cameras, sensors, and vehicle detection systems, the system could gather extensive data that can be analyzed to improve urban planning and road infrastructure. Additionally, vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) communication could be established, allowing vehicles to interact directly with traffic signals and road signs for a more synchronized and smooth flow of traffic.

As cities grow, the integration of autonomous vehicles into the traffic ecosystem could be another major advancement. IoT-based smart traffic systems could provide real-time data to self-driving cars, enabling them to make informed decisions about speed, lane changes, and intersections. Furthermore, advancements in 5G technology would offer faster and more reliable communication for real-time decision-making and traffic updates, making the system more responsive and efficient. The continuous development of such IoT solutions will pave the way for a safer, smarter, and more sustainable transportation system in the future.

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