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Anti-Theft Alerting System for Vehicles

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Abstract: This paper introduces a smart gadget designed to address the growing concern of theft of personal belongings. The gadget incorporates advanced technologies including motion sensors and GPS tracking to detect unauthorized movement and pinpoint the location of the item in real-time. A key feature of the gadget is its ability to send instant alerts to the user via a mobile application, ensuring prompt action in case of theft or tampering. The system is designed to be user-friendly, allowing individuals to easily set up and monitor their belongings through an intuitive interface on their smart phones

Keywords: detect unauthorized movement

I. INTRODUCTION

The Internet of Things (IoT) has revolutionized various industries by interconnecting physical devices through the internet, enabling them to communicate and make intelligent decisions. In the realm of vehicle security, IoT technology plays a crucial role in creating anti-theft alerting systems that offer real-time monitoring and immediate action in the event of unauthorized access or theft. These systems use a combination of sensors, GPS tracking, and cloud computing to enhance vehicle protection by sending instant alerts and enabling remote control via smartphones or other devices. IoT-based anti-theft systems are designed to detect suspicious activities such as unauthorized entry, movement, or tampering with a vehicle. Sensors installed on doors, windows, and other parts of the vehicle continuously monitor for any signs of theft. If an anomaly is detected—such as a door being opened or the vehicle being moved—the system triggers an immediate alert to the vehicle owner's mobile device. Additionally, the integration of GPS tracking allows real-time monitoring of the vehicle's location, enabling quick recovery if the vehicle is stolen

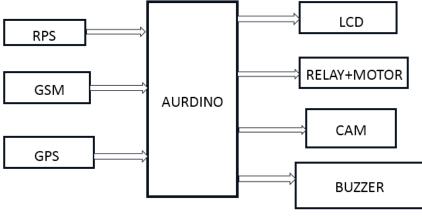


Fig 1 Block diagram

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II. INTERNET OF THINGS (IOT)

The Internet of Things (IoT) refers to the network of physical devices, vehicles, home appliances, and other items embedded with sensors, software, and connectivity which enables them to connect and exchange data. In Anti -Theft alerting system for Vehicles, IoT technology is utilized to create a network of interconnected devices (sensors, microcontrollers, and display units) that gather, process, and transmit appliances related data in real-time. However, the proliferation of connected devices also brings challenges, especially in areas like data security and privacy. Since IoT devices collect vast amounts of personal and sensitive data, ensuring that this information is protected from unauthorized access is critical. Additionally, interoperability between different IoT devices and platforms is a concern, as the lack of standardized protocols can hinder seamless integration. Despite these challenges, the continued evolution of IoT holds the promise of creating more intelligent and efficient systems across homes, industries, healthcare, cities, and beyond.

III. ANTI THEFT ALERTING SYSTEM FOR VEHICLES

In today's interconnected world, the security of vehicles remains a critical concern for owners and manufacturers alike. The increasing incidence of vehicle thefts calls for innovative solutions that not only deter criminals but provide peace of mind to vehicle owners. This introduction explores the concept of a smart gadget designed specifically for an anti-theft alerting system in vehicles. By harnessing the power of modern technology and connectivity, this system aims to revolutionize vehicle security, offering robust protection against theft while incorporating user-friendly features for seamless integration into everyday use.

The advent of smart gadgets has transformed various aspects of our lives, and the automotive industry is no exception. With advancements in Internet of Things (IoT) technology, GPS tracking, and mobile connectivity, vehicles can now be equipped with sophisticated anti-theft systems that go beyond traditional alarms. These systems leverage real-time data and intelligent sensors to detect unauthorized access or movement of the vehicle, promptly alerting owners and authorities to potential threats.

Enter the smart gadget for an anti-theft alerting system—a compact yet powerful device designed to augment existing security measures and enhance vehicle protection. This gadget integrates seamlessly into the vehicle's infrastructure, leveraging its onboard systems and external connectivity to monitor for suspicious activities or unauthorized access.

IV. EXISTING SYSTEM

The existing systems for smart gadgets designed for anti-theft alerting systems in vehicles encompass a diverse range of technologies and approaches aimed at enhancing vehicle security and providing peace of mind to owners. These systems leverage advancements in IoT (Internet of Things), GPS tracking, mobile connectivity, and advanced sensor technologies to offer robust protection against theft.

V. PROPOSED METHOD

A Anti-Theft Alerting System for Vehicles. In response to the rising need for robust vehicle security solutions, we propose a comprehensive smart gadget designed to enhance anti-theft capabilities in vehicles. This system leverages cutting-edge technologies to provide real-time monitoring, alerts, and control functionalities, ensuring maximum protection against theft incidents.

In addition to the immobilizer, a GPS tracking system is incorporated to monitor the vehicle's real-time location. This technology allows vehicle owners to track their car's whereabouts continuously and receive alerts if it strays outside a predefined geofenced area. Such tracking capabilities are essential for quick response and recovery if the vehicle is stolen.

Finally, the system is designed with a strong emphasis on data security, ensuring that all communications between the vehicle's systems and the owner's devices are encrypted. This protection against hacking and unauthorized access helps safeguard the vehicle's security and the owner's personal information.

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VI. SOFTWARE EMPLOYED

The anti-theft alerting system for vehicles employs the Arduino IDE as the primary development environment for both the Arduino Uno and ESP32 microcontrollers. The programming is done using Embedded C (Arduino language), supported by several key libraries that enable communication, control, and alert functionalities. The SoftwareSerial library is used to establish serial communication with modules like GSM and GPS when hardware serial ports are limited. For GPS functionality, the TinyGPS++ library is utilized to parse data from the GPS module and extract real-time location information such as latitude and longitude. In the case of ESP32, the WiFi.h library enables wireless network connectivity, and the ESP32-CAM library facilitates image capture through the camera module for surveillance during a theft attempt.

The GSM module (typically SIM800 or SIM900) is programmed to send SMS alerts to the owner containing GPS coordinates when unauthorized access is detected. A relay module is controlled digitally to cut off the motor or ignition system, effectively immobilizing the vehicle. A buzzer is triggered using simple digital output commands to raise a local alarm. In addition, optional use of the EEPROM library allows the system to store GPS history or system states in non-volatile memory.

VII. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The developed prototype of the anti-theft alerting system for vehicles was successfully tested under simulated theft conditions and demonstrated reliable performance. Upon detecting unauthorized access, the system promptly sent an SMS alert to the registered mobile number, containing the real-time GPS coordinates of the vehicle. Simultaneously, the relay module was triggered to cut off the power supply to the motor, effectively immobilizing the vehicle and preventing further movement. The buzzer was activated to produce an audible alarm, drawing attention to the potential theft in progress. In setups where an ESP32-CAM was included, the system also captured images during the intrusion, providing visual evidence that could be used for verification or law enforcement purposes. This compact and cost-effective design makes the system highly suitable for a wide range motorcycles, scooters, and cars. Additionally, its modularity and compatibility with IoT platforms provide opportunities for future enhancements such as mobile app control, cloud-based tracking, and integration with smart home or fleet management systems

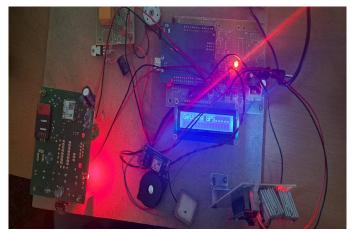


Fig 3 output of anti theft alerting system

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VIII. CONCLUSION

The paper on smart anti-theft alerting systems for vehicles highlights the substantial benefits of integrating advanced technology into vehicle security. The implementation of real-time monitoring, remote control features, and sophisticated sensors has proven effective in enhancing vehicle protection and user convenience. The system's ability to provide instant alerts, GPS tracking, and remote management demonstrates its significant potential to deter theft and recover stolen vehicles efficiently.

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