

# Iot Base Home Automation Sytem Using Arduino

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## ABSTRACT:

We are living in 21<sup>st</sup> century where automation of any form i.e. home or industrial plays an important role in human life. When it comes to industrial automation, the concept is applied to large machines or robots which helps in increasing the efficiency in terms of production, energy and time.

Home automation on the other hand involves automating the household environment. This is possible because of the smartphones and internet that we are widely using. Home automation can be again divided into just controlling the appliances using a smartphone from a remote location and another type filled with sensors and actuators which control the lighting, temperature, door locks, electronic gadgets, electrical appliances etc. using a "Smart" system.

In this project, we will design a simple home automation project using simple components using which different electrical appliances can be switched on or off. The project is based on Arduino and we have used Arduino UNO for the project.

**Keywords:** Home Automation, Bluetooth module, Relay, Arduino Uno.

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AC	Alternating Current
ARM	Advanced RISC machines
CPU	Central Processing Unit
DC	Direct Current
EEPROM	Electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory
GSM	Global System for Mobile Communications

HVAC	Heat, Ventilation and Air Conditioning
IC	Integrated Circuits
LAN	Local Area Network
PC	Personal Computer
IJETER	International Journal of Emerging Technologies in Engineering Research
RFID	Radio Frequency Identification
RISC	Reduced Instruction Set Computing
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/ Internet Protocol
WPAN	Wireless Personal Area Network
Arduino IDE	Arduino Integrated Development Environment
LED	Light Emitting Diode
IOT	Internet Of Things
IEEE -	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

## I. INTRODUCTION

Home automation systems have gained popularity in recent years, paralleling the advances in the concept of the Internet of Things. Although automation for commercial buildings is a mature technology, automation applications for residences are a relatively new development, which is gradually being adopted by consumers. Home automation involves the monitoring and control of activities such as lighting, heating, ventilation, air

conditioning (HVAC), electrical appliances, sound systems, security cameras, door locks, and alarms. Home automation has various advantages, such as comfort, increased security, and energy efficiency. Figure 1 shows the general home automation system. The figure shows the various home appliances such as security sensors, thermostat etc. which is controlled through central

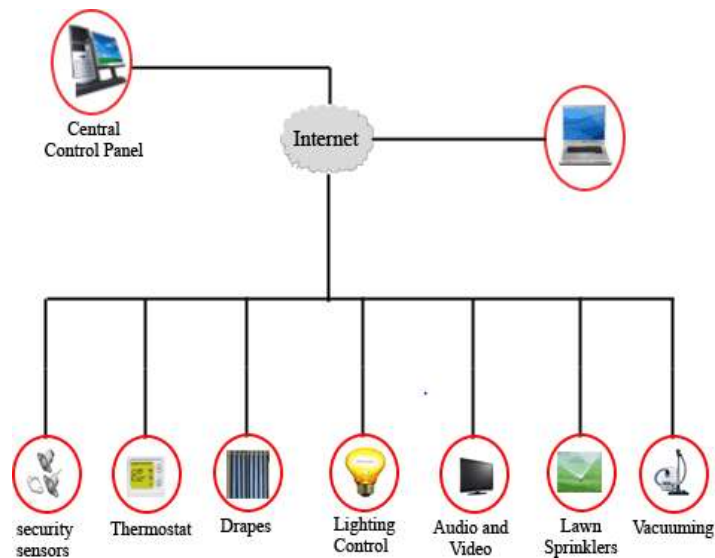


Figure 1. A General Home Automation System

The widespread use of home automation can be seen in cold cities such as Milwaukee, where people set the heating of the house to go off when they leave and switch on the heater 15 minutes before they return. The system is known as HVAC and is the best option for home automation. In an era with wireless technologies such as Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, Zigbee, and GSM, users want home appliances to be connected wirelessly. Each of these wireless technologies has its own significance and specifications. This project successfully uses Bluetooth with an available frequency of 2400 Hz, a range of 100 meters, and a speed of approximately 3Mbps. There are a few concerns to be addressed when designing a home automation system. The system should be designed in a manner that integrates new devices, so that these devices should not be a problem at a later stage. On the host side, the system should be user-friendly, so that the devices can be monitored and controlled easily. In case of any problems in the future, the interface of the system should provide diagnostic services. Finally, the system should be cost-effective so that it can be widely used by anyone in the market. control panel via the Internet.

### Problem Statement

The primary motive of this project is to build up a system that helps elderly and handicapped people live a more independent life. The objective of this project is to take into consideration all the domestic systems that are difficult to control by elderly people and the handicapped. The project will allow any person

who has a Bluetooth enabled Android mobile phone to download an application from the Google Play Store. With the help of this application, a user can control all the appliances in the house via Bluetooth receivers. The proposed system allows the clients to have access to all the appliances in the house including air conditioners, and lights, with a single click on a mobile phone to turn it either ON or OFF.

The most important consideration in the application is that it has to be user-friendly and simple to operate. By opening the application, the user can also check the status of the appliances to see whether they are ON or OFF. To develop a user-friendly application and fulfill all the objectives of this project, the GUI of the application has to be the foremost priority. The interface of the application will provide how easy the application is to use as well as give flexibility to the user.

### Objective of study

The following list of objectives must be fulfilled to successfully help elderly and disabled individuals.

1. Develop Bluetooth appliance controller: The Bluetooth will interface with the microcontroller to perform the desired automation. The microcontroller will get the signals from the Bluetooth enabled mobile phone and it will be processed.
2. Develop an application for a mobile phone: An application needs to be developed for the mobile phone, which needs to communicate with the Bluetooth receiver HC05.

3. Integrate the device to the controller: The foremost priority that has to be kept in mind when developing a Smart Home is that it has to be cost-efficient. The appliance controller has to be inexpensively integrated with the appliances in the house with an easy installation.
4. Test the setup and analyze the data: After the system is set up, with the help of a mobile device and a controller, tests are conducted while data is recorded and analyzed.

#### Scope Of The Study

- In future more, home appliances can be controlled by incorporating those devices with newer versions of Bluetooth module, such as in Elevator, TV remote controls, day today buttons in public areas such as parking lots, pedestrian crossing etc.
- This project work is complete on its own in remotely and automatically switching on and off of any electrical appliance not limited to household appliances. It does not implement control of multiple appliances or automating detection of faults in the controlled appliances.
- In future this Bluetooth technology also can be used in the big industrial companies and the big MNC offices to overcome the situation of the pandemic.

## II. CHAPTER 2

### 2 LITERATURE REVIEW

#### A Review Of Basic Technique

Home automation was first introduced into the world market in the 1970s, but it failed to meet the expectations of people and was unsuccessful. There were various reasons associated with the failure of the home automation system. The system was neither user friendly nor cost efficient. Currently, the foremost point to be kept in mind when designing a home automation system is that it should be cost-efficient and easy to install.

K. Y. Lee and J. W. Choi [1], in their research on the Housing Learning and Improvement Network in 2003, defined a Smart Home as a “unit where all the appliances of the house are connected together and controlled and monitored remotely.” The following paragraphs will give a summary of the previous research works in the field of Smart Homes.

The motive behind the project was to monitor the health of the disabled and older people living in the home, thereby improving their quality

of life. The project used sensors to detect the state of the environment, and with the help of controllers, took the necessary action to maintain equilibrium. These sensors form a network to make the decisions.

The project made use of cell phones and inexpensive sensors. It worked by making use of wireless protocols such as Bluetooth, ZIGBEE, as well as GSM and analyzing data through an adaptive architecture. The research had an architecture that consisted of three main parts. First, sensors collected the medical data and transmitted it via sensors to mobile devices. Second, an Android J2ME on mobile devices processed the collected data.

The major benefit of this project is that it could be implemented at an inexpensive price in a short span of time.

#### Recent advance in technique

In the past few years, significant research has been conducted in the field of Smart Homes to make the technology better for handicapped and elderly people. N. Liang et. al. [5] have described challenges related to Smart Homes and conducted research at the University of Erlangen, Germany, for the betterment of these populations and identified the benefits in-order to help them lead more independent lives.

For the implementation of these projects, there are various sub-networks used such as the Bluetooth module, Wireless LAN, RFIDs, and TCP/IP. A Bluetooth network transports the sensor data and interconnects the network. As per the location of the occupancy recorded, the RFID system transmits data from the RFID tags. The messages are transmitted via Bluetooth using Bluetooth modules. This reduces the cost, as no further hardware is required for the implementation.

The project focuses on the design of a home automation system using the Atmega 328 microcontroller.

The project does, however, emphasize the advantages of using a wireless standard. To connect to a wide range of devices, Bluetooth is a global standard and is easily available in almost all devices, for it is easy to set up and use. It also encrypts data using a 128 bit long shared key, making it a secured connection as well.

With the advancements in RF Technology, such as Zigbee and Bluetooth, these systems have also become popular in the market. The previous infrared systems had numerous security issues and there were interferences between signals, making it unsecured and less popular in the market. Research

is still occurring in this field; various systems have been proposed, but very few of them have been implemented in the market.

### III. CHAPTER DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK

#### Introduction

Home automation is to make your home environment more intelligent.

Here we control home appliances Remotely through Bluetooth Wireless data transfer.

Home Automation, or Smart Home, has benefited from the critical innovations of Bluetooth technology can be used to connect devices such as

mobile phones and laptops. Wired devices require a point to point connection but communication can be established between multiple devices with Bluetooth. A group of Bluetooth devices is called a piconet and this technology is apt for building a Smart Home. Figure 3 shows the different appliances of the house (light, fan, etc.) which are controlled via Bluetooth. Bluetooth provides a good platform as it is readily available in almost all the smart phones which are present in the market today and is easy to understand and use. This provides the flexibility to people of all ages to use Bluetooth in a handy manner



Bluetooth is a wireless connection, so the transsignals between the devices is performed at a frequency of 2.4GHz, which is common throughout the world. Apart from data, Bluetooth also gives the voice recording transmission

accessibility on three channels available. The transfer of data takes place at a speed of up to one megabit per second. Bluetooth innovation provides the opportunity to transmit voice recordings, pictures, music and text messages between devices.

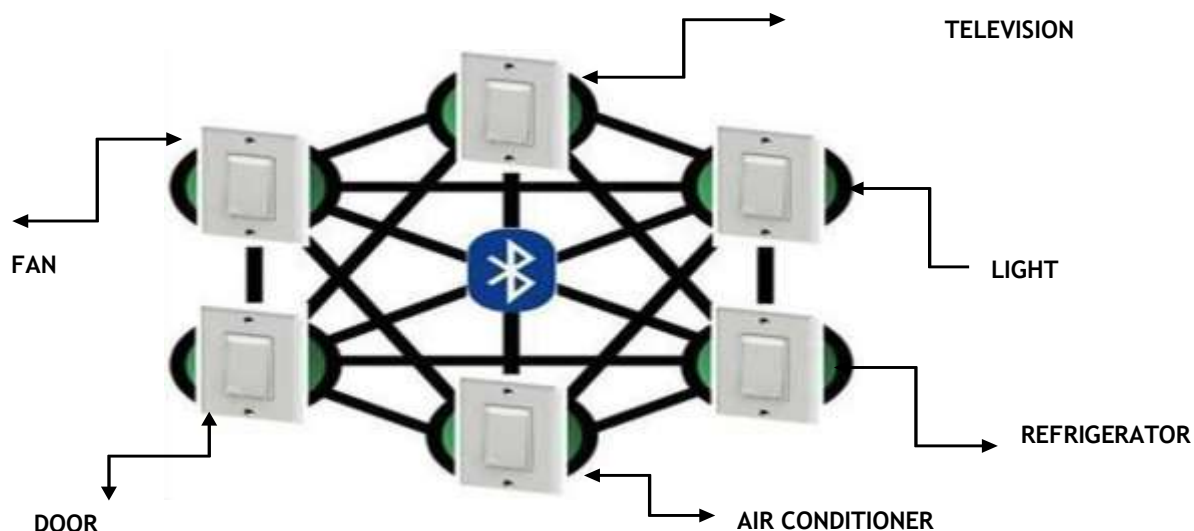


Figure 2: Bluetooth For HomeAutomation.

### Arduino

Arduino is an open source physical processing hardware, which is based on a microcontroller board and an incorporated development environment for the board to be programmed. Arduino is simple and can be easily learned by beginners. Arduino can run on any platform that includes Windows, Linux Operating System, and Macintosh, unlike other microcontrollers, which run only in the Windows operating system.

The Arduino can be used to develop an interactive interface, get inputs from a diverse collection of switches as well as sensors, and simultaneously control the output from various physical devices including lights and other appliances. Arduino is focused on an environment, which needs to be programmed with a language that is executed via wiring: a physical computing platform. Figure 2 shows the symbol of the Arduino Uno, which is considered for this project.



Figure 3. Arduino Logo[7].

### Reasons for Choosing Arduino

There are various successful microcontrollers including MIT's Handyboard, Phidgets, and Netmedia's BX-24 but the Arduino offers numerous advantages for individuals, including

### Advantages Of The Arduino UNO

1. Less expensive: Arduino boards are inexpensive compared to other microcontrollers that are available in the market. A preassembled Arduino board is available for as low as \$50.
2. Compatible: Arduino is compatible with all the operating systems including Linux, Macintosh, and Windows, whereas other microcontrollers

are restricted to Windows.

3. Easy to program: The environment used to program Arduino and the ways to perform the coding are user friendly even for beginners.
4. Expandable programming and open source: The programming language of an Arduino is an open source and can incorporate the Arduino code into the AVR-C code if needed.
5. Allows easy and fast prototyping: There are a number of pre-wiring and free code libraries, which help to test an idea instead of spending time in building and creating an excessive amount of low level codes.

### Block Diagram and its Description

#### BLOCK DIAGRAM

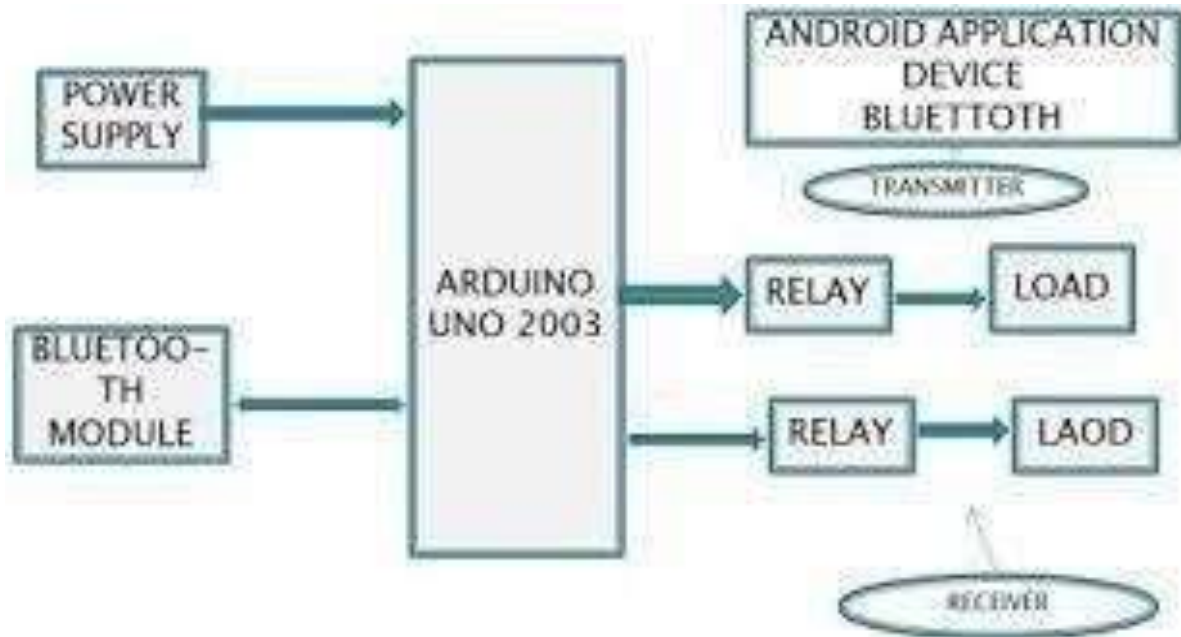


Fig 4: Block Diagram Of Home Automation System Using Arduino And Bluetooth Module

**Description**

In this project we used Bluetooth module HC-05 which needs only 3.3V to work. Bluetooth

module send the signal to the Arduino uno 2003. And Arduino uno 2003 sends the signal to the relay module. and it gives to the load.

**Circuit Diagram And Its Description**

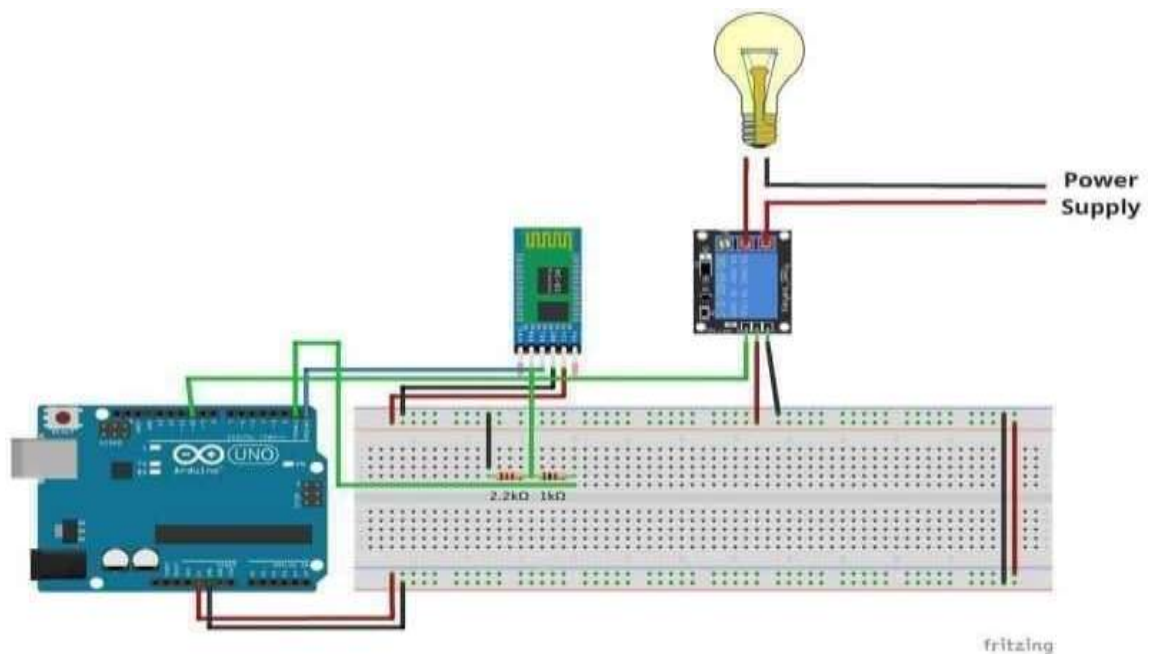


Figure 5 Circuit Diagram For Home Automation

### Working principle

Based on the Bluetooth module, we can control home appliances within the range of Bluetooth. We can control our home appliances by using Bluetooth. Here we used HC-05 Bluetooth module to convert my electrical signal to information signal. The Arduino uno takes the signal from Bluetooth module and converts it to output. The relay module takes the signal and gives to the appliances.

### Component Used

#### 1. Hardware Component

- The list of components mentioned here is specifically for controlling 4 different loads.
  - Arduino UNO
  - HC-05 Bluetooth Module
  - 5 V Relay X2
  - Breadboard
  - Connecting wires
  - Bluetooth enabled smartphone or tablet
  - 5V Power Source

#### 2. Software Components

- Arduino 1.8.5 compiler
- Android application

### Hardware Components

#### 1. ARDUINO UNO



#### Features of the Arduino UNO:

- Microcontroller: ATmega328
- Operating Voltage: 5V
- Input Voltage (recommended): 7-12V Input Voltage (limits): 6-20V
- Digital I/O Pins: 14 (of which 6 provide PWM output) Analog Input Pins: 6
- DC Current per I/O Pin: 40 mA DC Current for 3.3V Pin: 50mA
- Flash Memory: 32 KB of which 0.5 KB used by bootloader SRAM: 2 KB (ATmega328)
- EEPROM: 1 KB (ATmega328)
- Clock Speed: 16MHz

Arduino is an open source computer hardware and software company, project, and user community that designs and manufactures single-board microcontrollers and microcontroller kits for building digital devices and interactive objects that can sense and control objects in the physical and digital world. The project's products are distributed as open-source hardware and software, which are licensed under the GNU Lesser General Public License (LGPL) or the GNU General Public License (GPL), permitting the manufacture of Arduino boards and software distribution by anyone. Arduino boards are available commercially in preassembled form, or as do-it-yourself (DIY) kits. Arduino board designs use a variety of microprocessors and controllers. The boards are equipped with sets of digital and analog input/output (I/O) pins that may be interfaced to various expansion boards or Breadboards (shields) and other circuits. The boards feature serial communications interfaces, including Universal Serial Bus (USB) on some models, which are also used for loading programs from personal computers. The microcontrollers are typically programmed using a dialect of features from the programming languages C and C++. In addition to using traditional compiler toolchains, the Arduino project provides an integrated development environment (IDE) based on the Processing language project.



## 2. Bluetooth Module HC-05

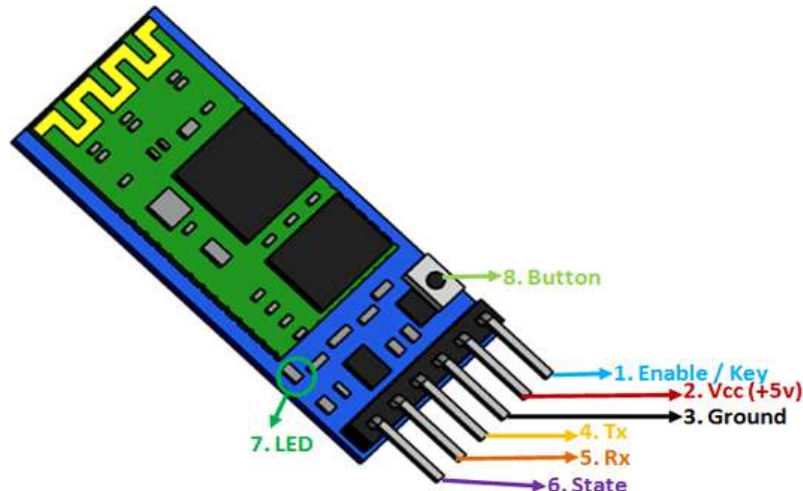


Fig 7 : Bluetooth module HC- 05

**TABLE 1. Pin Description Of Bluetooth Module**

Pin Number	Pin Name	Description
1	Enable / Key	This pin is used to toggle between Data Mode (set low) and AT command mode (set high). By default it is in Data mode
2	Vcc	Powers the module. Connect to +5V Supply voltage
3	Ground	Ground pin of module, connect to system ground.
4	TX – Transmitter	Transmits Serial Data. Everything received via Bluetooth will be given out by this pin as serial data.
5	RX –Receiver	Receive Serial Data. Every serial data given to this pin will be broadcasted via Bluetooth
6	State	The state pin is connected to on board LED, it can be used as a feedback to check if Bluetooth is working properly.

7	LED	Indicates the status of Module  Blink once in 2 sec: Module has entered Command Mode Repeated Blinking: Waiting for connection in Data Mode Blink twice in 1 sec: Connection successful in Data Mode
8	Button	Used to control the Key/Enable pin to toggle between Data and command Mode

**HC-05 Default Settings:-**

Default Bluetooth Name: ,HC-05' Default Password: 1234 or 0000 Default Communication: Slave Default Mode: Data Mode Data Mode Baud Rate: 9600, 8, N, 1 Command Mode Baud Rate: 38400, 8, N, 1 Default firmware: LINVOR

**HC-05 Specification:**

- **Bluetooth Protocol:** Bluetooth Specification
- **Modulation:** GFSK(Gaussian Frequency Shift Keying)
- **Emission Power:** ≤4dbm, Class2
- **Sensitivity :** ≤-84dbm At 0.1%BER
- **Speed:** Asynchronous: 2.1Mbps(Max) / 160 Kbps, Synchronous:1Mbps/1Mbps
- **Security:** Authentication And Encryption
- **Profiles:** Bluetooth Serial Port PowerSupply: +3.3VDC 50ma

- **Working Temperature:** -20~

+75Centigrade

- **Dimension:** 26.9mm X 13mm
- **V2.0+EDR Frequency:** 2.4ghz ISM Band

**2CHANNEL RELAYMODULE**

We can control high voltage electronic devices using relays. A Relay is actually a switch which is electrically operated by an electromagnet.

The electromagnet is activated with a low voltage, for example 5 volts from a microcontroller and it pulls a contact to make or break a high voltage circuit.

This is a 2 channel isolated 5V 10A relay module Optocoupler for Arduino PIC. ARM. It can be used to control various appliances and other types of equipment with a large current.

It can be controlled directly with 3.3V or 5V logic signal from microcontroller ( Arduino , 8051 , AVR , PIC , DSP , ARM , MSP430,TTL logic).



Fig 8: 2 Channel Relay

### Features

- Good for safe control of higher amperage circuits. ...
- 2-channel high voltage system output, meeting the needs of dual channel control.
- Brand new and high quality.
- Standard interface that can be controlled directly by microcontroller (Arduino , 8051, AVR, PIC, DSP, ARM)]

### Application Of Relay

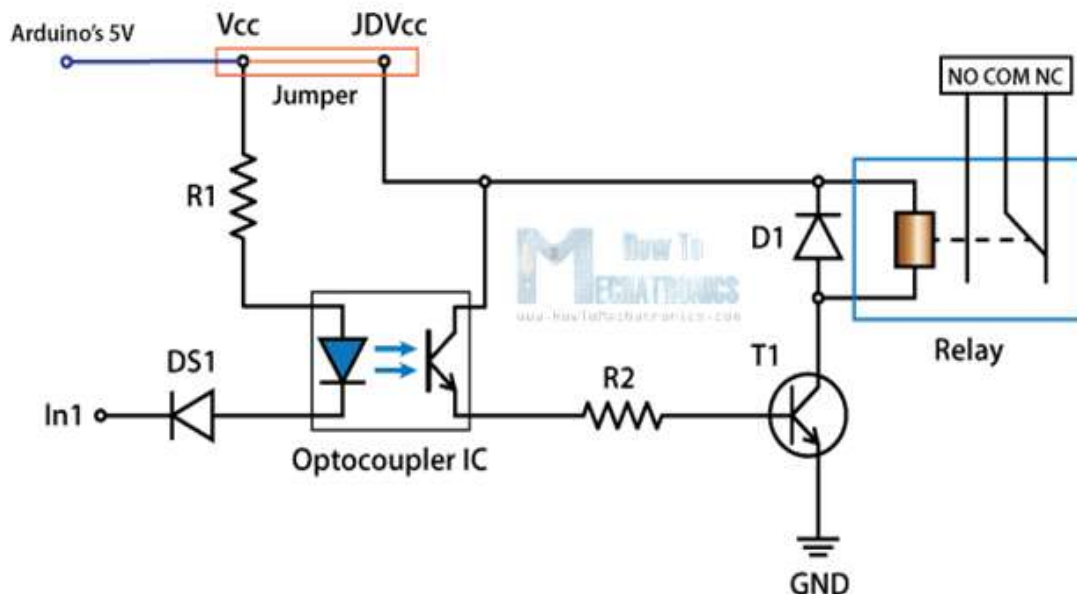
- Relays are used wherever it is necessary to control a high power or high voltage circuit with a low power circuit, especially when galvanic isolation is desirable.
- The first application of relays was in long telegraph lines, where the weak signal received at an intermediate station could control a contact, regenerating the signal for further transmission.
- High-voltage or high-current devices can be controlled with small, low voltage wiring and pilot switches.
- Operators can be isolated from the high voltage circuit.
- Low power devices such as microprocessors can drive relays to control electrical loads beyond their direct drive capability. In an

automobile, a starter relay allows the high current of the cranking motor to be controlled with small wiring and contacts in the ignition key.

- The use of relays for the logical control of complex switching systems like telephone exchanges was studied by Claude Shannon, who formalized the application of Boolean algebra to relay circuit design in *A Symbolic Analysis of Relay and Switching Circuits*.
- Relays can perform the basic operations of Boolean combinatorial logic. For example, the boolean AND function is realised by connecting normally open relay contacts in series, the OR function by connecting

### CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

For better understanding let's see the circuit schematics of the relay module in this configuration. So we can see that the 5 volts from our microcontroller connect to the Vcc pin for activating the relay through the Optocoupler IC. A diode is also connected to the JDVcc pin which powers the electromagnet of the relay. So in this case we got no isolation between the relay and the microcontroller.



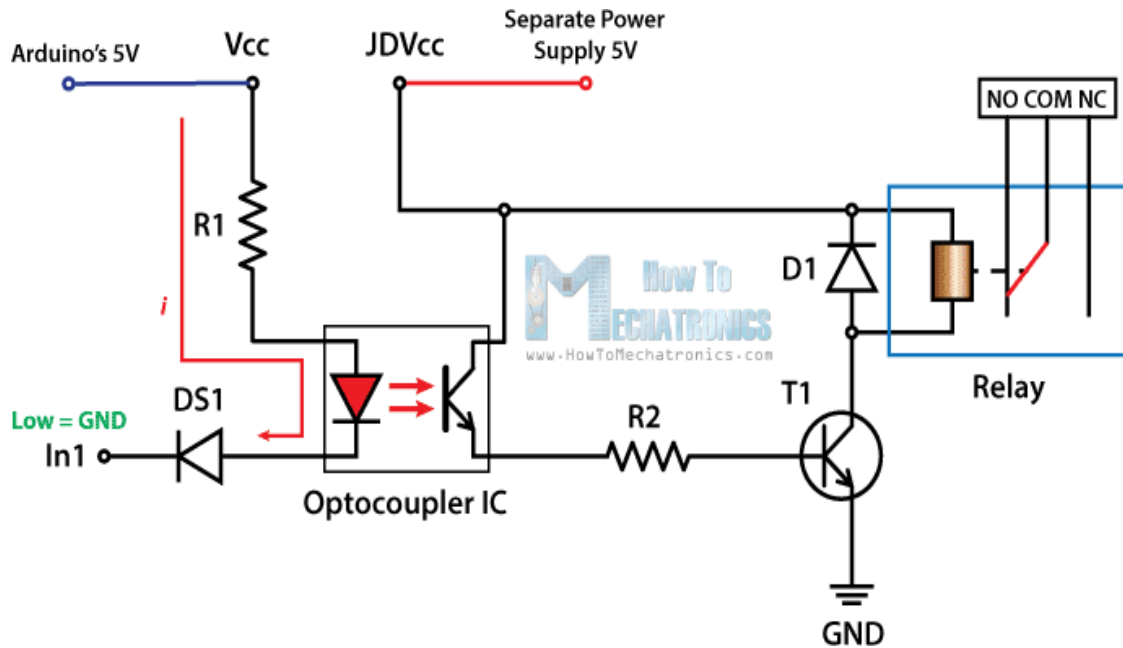
In order to isolate the microcontroller from the relay, we need to remove the jumper and connect separate power supply for the electromagnet to the Vcc and the Ground pin. Now with this configuration the microcontroller doesn't have any physical connection with the relay, it just uses

the LED light of the Optocoupler IC to activate the relay.

There is one more thing to be noticed from this circuit schematics. The input pins of the module work inversely. As we can see the relay will be activated when the input pin will be LOW because in that way the current will be able to

of low from the VCC to the input pin which is low or ground, and the LED will light up and activate the relay. When the input pin will be HIGH there

will be no current flow, so the LED will not light up and the relay will not be activated.



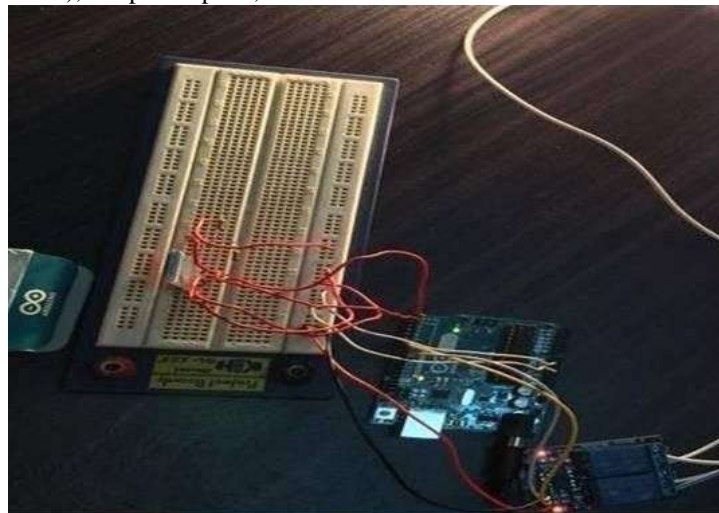
#### IV. CHAPTER

##### Implementation of the Hardware

This section describes the overall hardware needed to design this project. The system is designed using the Arduino Uno Board, the Bluetooth module (HC-05), optocouplers, an

Android mobile phone, and an Android application to control the Arduino board as shown in figure 6. It also uses various electronic components involved.

figure 9. hardware implementation. Arduino uno



Arduino Uno is a microcontroller board based on the Atmega328. It has a ceramic resonator that is 16 MHz, fourteen digital input/output pins (six of which can be used as PWM outputs), a reset button, a USB connection, a power jack and six analog inputs. It

is an 8-bit microcontroller based on RISC architecture. The Arduino Uno board is shown in figure 8 with the parts labeled.



Figure 10. Arduino UNO[8].

**TABLE 1. Specifications of Arduino Uno**

Microcontroller	Atmega 328
Operating Voltage	5V
Input Voltage(Recommended)	7-12V
Input Voltage Limitation	6-12V
Digital Input/Output Pins	14
Analog Input Pins	6
Clock Speed	16MHz
EEPROM	1KB

**ARDUINO SOFTWAREPART:-  
 IDE**

The Arduino integrated development environment (IDE) is a cross-platform application (for Windows, macOS, Linux) that is written in the programming language Java.

It originated from the IDE for the languages Processing and Wiring.

The Arduino IDE supports the languages C and C++ using special rules of code structuring.

The Arduino IDE supplies a software library from the Wiring project, which provides many common inputandoutputprocedures. User-writtencodeonlyrequirestwobasicfunctions,forstarti ngthesketch andthemainprogramloop,thatarecompiledandlinked withaprogramstubmain()intoanexecutable cyclicexecutiveprogramwiththeGNUtoolchain,alsoi ncludedwiththeIDEdistribution.



Figure 11. Arduino Software (IDE)

### Minimal Arduino C/C++ program consist of only two functions:

**SETUP():** This function is called once when a sketch starts after power-up or reset. It is used to initialize variables, input and output pin modes, and other libraries needed in the sketch.

**LOOP():** After setup() has been called, function loop() is executed repeatedly in the main program. It controls the board until the board is powered off or is reset.

### Blink example

Most Arduino boards contain a light-emitting diode (LED) and a load resistor connected between pin 13 and ground, which is a convenient feature for many tests and program functions. A typical program for a beginning Arduino programmer blinks a LED repeatedly. This program uses the functions `pinMode()`, `digitalWrite()`, and `delay()`, which are provided by the internal libraries included in the IDE environment.

This program is usually loaded into a new Arduino board by the manufacturer.

### Android application and Mobile Phone

The Android mobile phone used for this Project is Google Nexus 5 with an installed application called LMBT. The LMBT application is a simple application on Android and is used to control the pins of the Arduino-Uno from an Android phone in a wireless manner. A simple Android user interface is employed by LMBT to control

digital pins of Arduino Uno and PWM pins, to send commands to Arduino Uno in the form of text and reception of data over a Bluetooth serial module from Arduino.

### Programming the Arduino Uno

The Arduino-Uno board needs to be programmed with a code so that it is able to interact with the application. Arduino provides a flexible platform, which helps to write a code for any function to be performed by the Arduino Uno and upload to the board.

Interfacing the Atmega328 with Electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory (EEPROM) is done using the Universal Synchronous Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter (USART) protocol.

The code is written in Embedded C using Atmel studio 6.0. The code is then compiled and converted to HEX code. Afterwards, the HEX code is then burned to the Atmega 328 microcontroller.

### Integrating the Bluetooth Module to Arduino Uno

For the Arduino Uno to be controlled, a connection is required between the Bluetooth module and the Arduino Uno.

The VCC port on the Arduino Uno board is disconnected to the VCC pin on the Bluetooth module (HC-05). The GND port on the Arduino Uno is connected to the GND pin on the Bluetooth module (HC-05). Finally, the transmitter

of the Bluetooth module is connected to the receiver of the Arduino Uno as well as the transmitter of the Arduino Uno

to the receiver of the Bluetooth module need to be connected. Table 2 shows the connection between the Arduino Uno and the Bluetooth module.

**TABLE 2. Connection Between Arduino Uno and the Bluetooth Module**

Arduino Uno Board	Bluetooth Module
GND port	GND pin
VCC port	VCC pin
Transmitter Pin	Receiver Port
Receiver Pin	Transmitter Port

The connection between the Arduino Uno and the Bluetooth module is the fundamental connection in the circuit.

#### Connection Between the Bluetooth Module and Arduino Uno

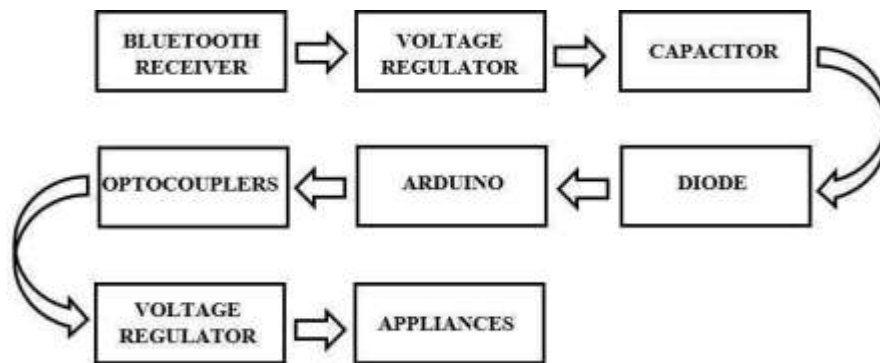


Figure 12. Connection between the Bluetooth module and the Arduino Uno.

The Bluetooth receiver transfers the signal to the voltage regulator, which then regulates the voltage and forwards it to the capacitor. Two capacitors are used in this circuit. One capacitor is of 1000 microfarad for appliances, that requires high power to operate and the other is of 10 microfarad, which requires low power to operate. The signal from the capacitor goes to the diode that restricts the flow of current to one side and allows the current to flow only in a single direction. The Arduino board then receives the signal from the diode, which goes to the optocouplers. Afterwards, the optocoupler is connected to the voltage regulator before being connected to the appliances. This connection is due to the optocoupler having a maximum power of 9000 watts, which if directly connected to the

appliances may cause damage. The optocoupler is connected to a voltage regulator that regulates the voltage and drives the appliances.

#### Communication Between Android Phone and the Appliances

The application on a mobile phone is coded with an integer value of 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, and 56. After opening the application, 1 and 49 are pressed and converted to the binary value as well as sent to the receiver of the Bluetooth module (HC-05) via the Bluetooth on a cell phone. The binary value from the Bluetooth module goes to the Arduino. Arduino checks its database the equivalent of the binary code. If it is HIGH, the light should be turned ON and if it is LOW, the light should

be turned OFF.

The block diagram in Figure 11 explains the steps

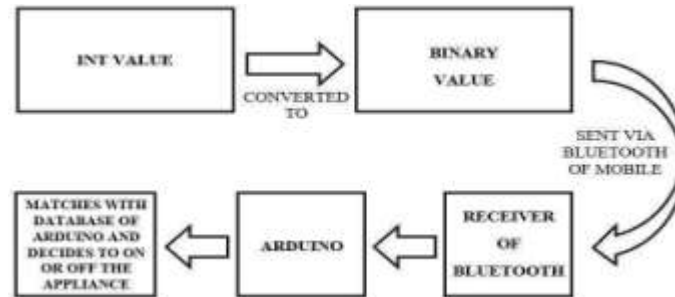


Figure 13. Communication between Android Phone and the Appliances How to Test the Connection

After the application is installed on the mobile phone and the Bluetooth module is connected to the Arduino Uno, the connection is tested to make sure that the phone is interacting with the Arduino Uno via the Bluetooth module (HC-05).

The steps to test the connection are as follows:

1. Open the application installed on the mobile phone.
2. With the help of the application, search for the Bluetooth devices.
3. Connect to the Bluetooth module (HC-05).
4. If the blinking of the light stops in the Bluetooth module, then it is working correctly, and the connection is established. If the light

needed to establish the connection.

continues to blink, the connection needs to be checked.

#### Connecting the Appliance to the Arduino Board

After all the connections are done, the home appliances should be connected to the Arduino.

The positive end of the home appliance has to be connected to the anode port of the optocoupler and negative end of the appliance has to be connected to the power source using wires.

Using different optocouplers and Arduino ports, the connections are made for other appliances. Finally, with the help of a Bluetooth connected Android phone, all of the appliances in the house are controlled wirelessly.



Figure 14 shows the prototype of the system.

#### Limitations and Problems Encountered

This project encountered certain difficulties that are described below.

Initially, when all the connections were done, the major problem was the connection between the Bluetooth module and the Arduino Uno. It

was repeatedly unsuccessful because the ZIGBEE module was used in the project. When the ZIGBEE module was replaced with the HC-05, the connection was only established after reading about the specifications of the ZIGBEE module and the HC-05 online.



A second problem was also encountered with the use of the fixing of the optocouplers on the board.

## V. CHAPTER

### ADVANTAGE AND APPLICATION

#### ADVANTAGE

Energy-saving

Home automation manages control elements that contribute to saving water, electricity, and gas. That is, we can program all the devices to turn on or off at the necessary time. Home automation control of lighting and air conditioning controls the management of 70% of energy consumption. **Most air conditioners suffer from the same issues** causing them to use up additional units. The automation can keep that in check.

It is possible to guarantee that all the lights in the house are turned off and that the reference temperature of the air conditioning is in saving mode when nobody is in the house. When going to sleep, lights and blinds are switched off and the reference temperature is changed for the night. Detecting the presence or not in each area of the home can activate other savings policies. This produces effects in the domestic economy and contributes to being more ecological.

#### Security

Another of its important advantages is being able to detect fires, intruders, gas leaks or a water leak. You can see everything that happens from anywhere through cameras and simulate presence by turning lights on and off remotely.

#### Communication

It is essential nowadays to establish correct communication between people and housing. New technologies and the Internet are a natural part of home automation and become intuitive and practical tools. Even the recognition of voice or body movements can become a channel of communication within our home. With all these elements, the house can interact with people through the home automation elements of the installation, text messages, emails, and voice calls.

#### Comfort

The tasks to be carried out in our homes are much easier, and you can do many actions comfortably from a screen.

#### Wellness

Through home automation, we can automatically close the blinds, detecting the amount of sunlight that enters the rooms or the wind that causes it; control

the degree of light in the different rooms, and be able to direct the different environments of the home.

#### Telecare

The system consists of a set of sensors that monitors the user's life habits, such as the time spent in bed, bath, taking medications. The parameters obtained by these sensors configure a profile that is stored on a central server supervised by healthcare professionals 24 hours a day.

#### Disadvantages Of Home automation:

##### Initial cost

The price of the home automation installation is still very high. The initial investment that must be made is very important since the entire home must be wired.

##### Maintenance

In the event of some type of breakdown, its repair can be complex and expensive. In addition to this, it is possible that an important part of the system will be blocked and more functions will be canceled. Therefore, the cost of any type of breakdown can be very high.

##### Data transmission speed

Depending on the number of systems that are connected, when transferring a large amount of data, the network can become congested and decrease the transmission speed, causing the functions to slow down.

##### Ring connection

When the information is connected in the form of a ring, there may be some delay that will also depend on the number of points that are connected to the network, which gives little reliability to the system.

#### APPLICATION

- Using this project, we can turn on or off appliances remotely i.e. using a phone or tablet.
- The project can be further expanded to a smart home automation system by including some sensors like light sensors, temperature sensors, safety sensors etc. and automatically adjust different parameters like room lighting, air conditioning (room temperature), door lock etc. and transmit the information to our phone.
- Additionally, we can connect to internet and control the home from remote location over internet and also monitor the safety.

## **FUTURE WORKS**

Though overall the project is completed successfully, further study could be conducted to consider increasing the range of the signal to discover a method to amplify its range from the Bluetooth module. Furthermore, rather than using optocouplers and connecting them to the breadboard, further study could consider the use of a relay module to connect the modules.

## **VI. RESULT**

With the procedures mentioned, the implementation of the project "Home Automation via Bluetooth using the Arduino Uno Microcontroller" is successfully completed and implemented. The project is cost-efficient and user-friendly because it can be used by anyone with a simple click on an Android-based mobile device. All the appliances of the house are controlled successfully via Bluetooth using an Android mobile phone.

## **VII. CONCLUSION**

The current project presented the implementation of an inexpensive home automation system, within the framework of assistive technology. The system implementation is based on the Arduino microcontroller, which has been programmed to control a range of home automation devices based on sensor signals and direct commands by the user. The system has been programmed to have Bluetooth communication capability. Demonstrations of the system show that it facilitates the control of home-based devices such as electrical appliances, lights, heating, cooling systems and security devices by the intended users, i.e., the elderly and the disabled.

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