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Smart E-Waste Management System

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ABSTRACT: Researchers in computer vision and machine learning are becoming increasingly interested in image segmentation and categorization. Accurate and effective segmentation and recognition algorithms are necessary for many emerging systems. Electronic garbage, or "e-waste," is growing exponentially and poses serious risks to the environment and public health worldwide. This study suggests an Internet of Things (IoT)-based e-waste monitoring system that is intended to effectively control and lessen the effects of e-waste accumulation in order to address this situation. The E-Waste Recycling System (EWRS) and the E-Waste Collection System (EWCS) are the two separate parts of the system. Electronic device garbage is collected and transported from homes and businesses to e-waste recycling centers with the help of the EWCS.

KEYWORDS: E-waste management, Tensor Flow Lite, object detection, smart green city.

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I. INTRODUCTION

All of the tasks necessary to handle garbage from its creation to its ultimate disposal are together referred to as waste management or waste disposal. This covers, among other things, trash collection, transportation, treatment, and disposal in addition to regulation and oversight. It also includes the legislative and regulatory framework related to waste management, which includes recycling guidelines, among other things. [1]The proliferation of electronic devices in our modern society has undeniably transformed our lives, ushering in an era of unprecedented connectivity and convenience. However, this digital revolution has also given rise to a significant environmental challenge: the accumulation of electronic waste, or e-waste.

The need for effective e-waste management solutions has become more pressing than ever. [2] The foundation of these smart e-waste management systems lies in their ability to integrate IoT-enabled sensors, AI algorithms, and robust optimization models to streamline the entire e-waste lifecycle. By leveraging real-time data collection and analytics, these systems empower stakeholders to make informed decisions, optimize resource allocation, and minimize environmental impact.[3] Our exploration begins with an examination of a pioneering

IoT-based framework proposed by Abba and Light, which lays the groundwork for smart waste monitoring and control systems tailored to the unique challenges of smart cities. We then delve into Al Duhayyim et al.'s innovative approach, which combines artificial ecosystem-based optimization with deep learning models to enhance the sustainability of e-waste management practices.[4] Furthermore, we investigate the role of IoT technology in e-waste monitoring, as demonstrated by Ali et al.'s e-waste monitoring system designed to support smart city initiatives. Additionally, we explore Anjanappa et al.'s AI and IoT-based garbage classification system, which utilizes ESP32 cameras for efficient waste categorization in urban environments.[5-7].

II. RELATED WORK

Internet of Things (IoT)-enabled e-waste bins: By adding sensors to e-waste bins to monitor fill levels and optimize collection routes, fuel usage and emissions can be decreased. RFID Tagging: To improve inventory control and hazardous waste tracking, specific electronic objects can be tracked using Radio-Frequency Identification (RFID) tags throughout the disposal process.Data Analytics: Applying data analytics methods to examine patterns in the production of e-waste, spot trends, and enhance recycling and pickup schedules.Mobile Applications: Creating apps for consumers' smartphones that will allow them to plan e-waste pickups, find recycling facilities close by, and get alerts about upcoming recycling events or campaigns. Blockchain for Traceability: Using blockchain technology to establish an unchangeable, transparent record of e-waste transactions will guarantee accountability and traceability all the way through the recycling process. Sorting with Machine Learning: Making use of machine learning algorithms that automatically separate e-waste according to the kind of material, making it easier to recycle and recover valuable

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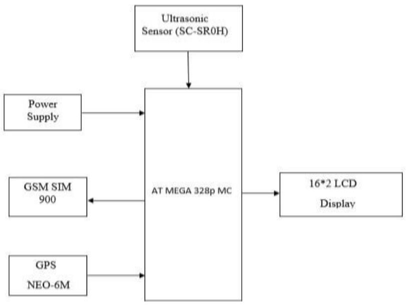
components. Augmented reality (AR) for Education: Using AR technology to develop interactive learning environments that educate consumers about managing e-waste and promote ethical disposal habits. Collaborative Platforms: Establishing online networks or platforms to facilitate communication between producers of electronic trash and recyclers and refurbishers in order to promote cooperation and the circular economy. Green Certification Programs: By collaborating with companies that provide electronics manufacturers with green certification programs, we can encourage environmentally friendly design and production methods. Public Awareness Campaigns: To inform the public about the negative effects that e-waste has on the environment and to encourage recycling efforts, public awareness campaigns are being launched through social media, educational workshops, and community events

III METHODOLOGY

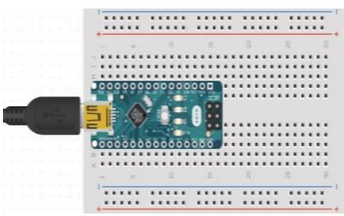
Recycling is an essential element of e-waste management. Properly carried out, it should greatly reduce the leakage of toxic materials into the environment and mitigate against the exhaustion of natural resources. However, it does need to be encouraged by local authorities and through community education. One of the major challenges is recycling the printed circuit boards from the electronic wastes. The circuit boards contain such precious metals as gold, silver, platinum, etc. and such base metals as copper, iron, aluminium, etc. One way E-waste is processed is by melting circuit boards, burning cable sheathing to recover copper wire and open- pit acid leaching for separating metals of value. Computer devices account for nearly 70% of E-waste, with the contribution of telecom sector being 12%, medical equipment being 8%, and electric equipment's being 7% of the annual e-waste production.

IV. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

The implementation of the proposed IoT-based e-waste monitoring system has yielded promising results in efficiently managing and mitigating the impact of e-waste accumulation. The system's two distinct components, the E-Waste Collection System (EWCS) and the E-Waste Recycling System (EWRS), have been instrumental in addressing various challenges associated with e-waste management. Firstly, the EWCS has effectively facilitated the collection and transportation of discarded electronic devices from households and businesses to designated e-waste recycling centers. Through the utilization of IoT sensors and connectivity, the EWCS has enabled real-time tracking of e-waste location, quantity, and condition. This has resulted in optimized collection routes and schedules, ensuring timely disposal and minimizing the risk of e-waste build up in communities. Secondly, the EWRS has demonstrated significant improvements inthe recycling and processing of collected e-waste. By leveraging IoT-enabled monitoring devices and smart processing techniques, the EWRS has enhanced efficiency in managing the recycling process. This includes better sorting of materials, recovery of valuable components, and minimization of environmental pollution. The integration of IoT technology has enabled the EWRS to monitor various parameters such as temperature, humidity, and processing stages, ensuring optimal conditions for recycling operations.



(Existing system)



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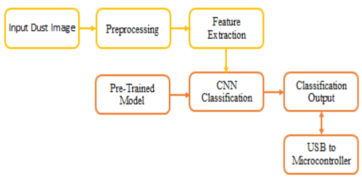

(E- Waste Object Detection)

The Arduino NANO is linked to the ultrasonic sensor to track how much rubbish each bin is filled. Comprising a waste compartment made of metal and plastic. The ultrasonic sensor calculates the filling level of waste inside the bin by measuring the time difference between the transmitter and receiver ends of the signal using sonar.In addition to the EWCS, the EWRS concentrates on processing and recycling gathered e-waste in order to salvage valuable resources and reduce pollution to the environment. Building on the groundwork laid by the EWCS, the EWRS optimizes recycling processes and boosts resource recovery efficiencies by utilizing IoT-enabled monitoring devices and intelligent processing procedures. The life cycle starts with design, moves through the phases of reduce, reuse, and recycle in the waste hierarchy, and ends with manufacture, distribution, and usage.

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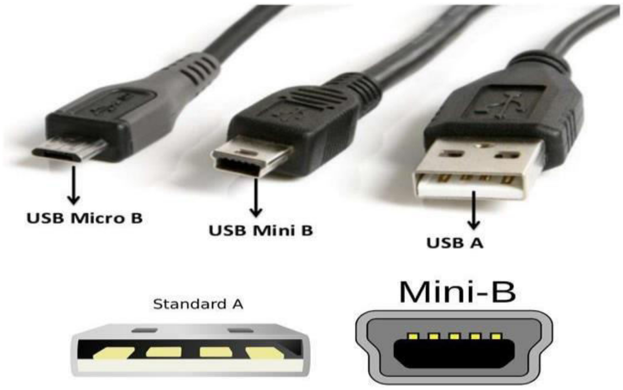

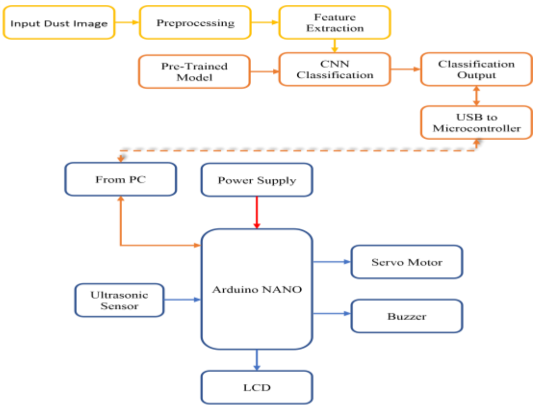

If you want to program your Arduino Nano while offline you need to install the Arduino Desktop IDE To connect the Arduino Nano to your computer, you'll need a Mini-B USB cable. This also provides power to the board, as indicated by the blue LED (which is on the bottom of the Arduino Nano 2.x and the top of the Arduino Nano 3.0). manufactured before that date have the old bootloader. First, check that Tools > Board > Boards Manager shows you have the Arduino AVR Boards 1.16.21 or later installed. Then, to program the NEW Arduino NANO boards you need to choose Tools > Processor > ATmega328P. To program old boards you need to choose Tools > Processor > ATmega328P (Old Bootloader). If you get an error while uploading or you are not sure which bootloader you have, try each Tools > Processor menu option until your board gets properly programmed.

V. CONCLUSION

The proposed IoT-based e-waste monitoring system presents a holistic solution for effectively managing and mitigating the environmental impact of ewaste accumulation. By integrating two distinct components, the E-Waste Collection System (EWCS) and the E-Waste Recycling System (EWRS), the system addresses the entire lifecycle of e-waste management. The EWCS streamlines the collection and transportation process by utilizing IoT sensors and connectivity to track e-waste in real-time, optimizing routes and schedules for timely disposal at designated recycling centers. Meanwhile, the EWRS focuses on the recycling and processing of collected e-waste, leveraging IoTenabled monitoring devices and smart processing techniques to enhance efficiency and reduce environmental pollution. Together, these interconnected systems promote circular economy principles by facilitating the recovery of valuable materials from e-waste and minimizing its ecological footprint. By offering a comprehensive and sustainable approach to e-waste management, the proposed system contributes to environmental preservation and aligns with global efforts to combat electronic waste pollution.

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