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ABSTRACT

Now a day the amount of polluted air in our country is very high compared to other countries in the world. Polluted air is harmful to human and animals. So we have created an air purifier to release a clean and healthy air. An air purifier is provided having a purifier housing and an air way housing mounted therein. A fan having a cylindrical whirlpool leaf construction is mounted within the air way housing and air is directed in a predetermined direction through an air exit opening formed in a wall of the purifier housing. In this cylindrical house air input from down and high efficiency particulate air filter is refining the air and an exhaust fan flow the fresh air in outside.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

The most common problem during the summer season is pollution, dust, and allergies. With increase in the number of pollutants in the air, there is an increase in the demand for air purifiers. These air purifiers can be used in offices, homes, commercial places, and if their efficiency is high, then they can also be used outdoors. Air purifier is a device used to remove contaminants like dust particles, cloth fibers etc. present in the air. These devices are claimed to be beneficial to people having allergies, and asthma. The commercially graded air purifiers are manufactured as either small stand-alone units or larger units that can be affixed to an air handler unit (AHU) or to a heating ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) unit found in the medical, industrial, and commercial industries. Air purifiers may also be used in industry to remove impurities such as CO₂ from air before processing. A standard air purifier consists of various types of filters, and filter levels to remove the contaminants from the surrounding air.

Dhaka faces pollution problems from all sides, as being a highly populated city, it would be subject to the air contaminating effects of the massive use of cars, motorbikes and trucks, many of which are not subject to strict regulations in regards to the age or quality of their engines, or the fuels they run on. There is also the industrial side of the city, contributing to the ever-growing pollution levels. Factory or production sites such as brick kilns are responsible for the massively elevated levels of pollution. Due to an economic boom and the subsequent increase in demand, Dhaka's kilns are known to produce billions of bricks each year, often relying on unregulated fuel sources for power (such as the burning of coal, wood and any other combustible material) which can release excessive amounts of noxious fumes and smoke into the atmosphere.

Besides these two issues, there are problems related to large dust concentrations building up in the city, somewhat similar to the highly polluted city of Delhi in India, as well as open burning sites where refuse containing organic matter as well as toxic materials such as plastics and rubber are set alight in the streets.

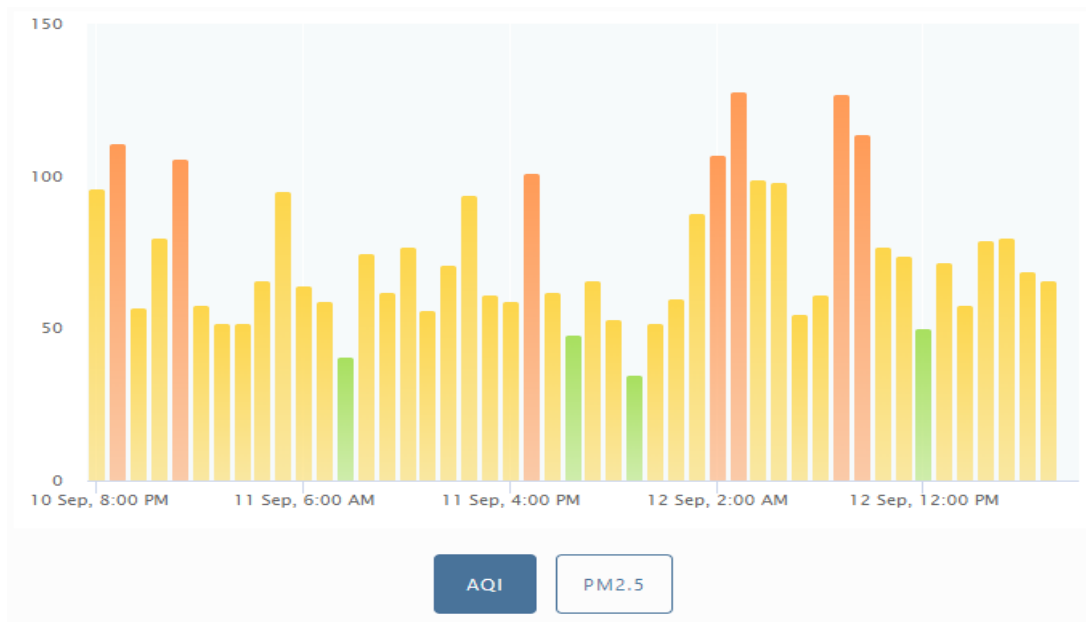


Figure 1.1: Historic Air Quality Graph for Dhaka

In order to reduce such elevated levels of pollution, many steps would need to be taken, albeit in the face of such economic growth it would a task that the city of Dhaka would be hard pressed to do. The introduction of stricter regulations regarding fuels and vehicles allowed on the road would be helpful in the fight against reducing ambient pollution levels in the air, with the removal of diesel fuel as well as ancient fume producing engines being of large help. Other steps would be to introduce stricter measures to both factories and construction sites, holding individual organizations accountable for the amount of pollution that they produce, with the possibility of adding fines to those that exceed unsafe levels of pollution, as well as particulate matter. Whilst certainly a compounded issue, the introduction of these initiatives would be a step in the right direction for Dhaka to obtain a cleaner level of air quality, and improve its US AQI readings as well as PM2.5 levels.

1.2 Background Study

In the present scenario pollution become very serious because of urbanization all around the world. So, we need to concern about it because everyday activities are associated to the environment. Make sure the condition is under control government established monitoring facilities to know the current condition. Air pollution is most important problem of the environment, which mainly concentrates in cities. So, we see many cities

has developed with the progressively industrialization and urbanization. air quality standards with a diameter smaller than $10\ \mu\text{m}$. These fine particles are main concern for us because this are capable of easily transported over long distance by the flow of air. And these particles cause respiratory health problems and the recent studies shows that AQI particles can penetrate to deepest part of the lung so this is the major concern for us that's why make a activated carbon air filter which is used to remove this harmful particles from the atmosphere for better health and atmosphere so the main objective of this project to provide affordable activated carbon filter to the house uses and many more.

1.3 Air Purifier

An air purifier is a device which removes contaminants from the air in a room. These devices are extremely beneficial for allergy sufferers, asthmatics and at reducing or eliminating second-hand tobacco smoke. They are also extremely useful for reducing pollutants from a room if you live in a highly polluted environment, for instance New Delhi, Patna or Gwalior; which are among the most air polluted cities in the world. They also help eliminate virus and bacteria from a room which prevents the spread of disease.

1.4 USES AND BENEFITS OF AN AIR PURIFIER

Dust, pollen, pet dander, mould spores, and dust mite faces can act as allergens, triggering allergies in sensitive people. Smoke particles and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) can pose a risk to health. With the advancement in air purification technology, air purifiers are becoming increasingly capable of capturing a greater number of bacterial, virus, and DNA damaging particulates. Air purifiers are used to reduce the concentration of these airborne contaminants and can be useful and fruitful for people who suffer from allergies and asthma.

1.5 Objectives

The objectives of this project are:

- a) To study of an **Air Purifier System**
- b) To do technical advancement in the air purification field. It helps to clean air in pollutant areas and provides quality of air.
- c) To design an Air Purifier which operates with 6 advanced stages of filtration using: a cold catalyst filter, a cellular-activated carbon filter, an anti-microbial filter, a HEPA filter, an ionizer.
- d) To overcome the use of traditional marking methods which is done with the help of sprinkling of water to purify air can be reduced.
- e) To test the performance of the **Air Purifier System**.

1.6 Organization of the Book

- **Chapter 1: Introduction.** This chapter is all about background study, air purifier, use or air purifier, Objectives and thesis book organization.
- **Chapter 2: Literature Review-** Here briefly describe about air purifier technology, filter availability, previous book review, Block diagram, Structural Diagram, Components List and Summary of this chapter.
- **Chapter 3: Hardware Analysis-** This chapter is discussed about our project hardware. Here we describe our hole instrument details.
- **Chapter4: Methodology–** Here briefly discuss about project methodology, hardware parts, our system working mechanism, project final image, working principle and our system overview.
- **Chapter 5: Results and Discussion–** Here briefly discuss about project discussion, result analysis, advantages, disadvantages, application and our system overview.
- **Chapter 6: Conclusion –** This chapter is all about our thesis future recommendation and this project conclusion.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Introduction

This chapter mainly reviews literature, reviews of various types of work and highlights the importance of IOT fishing management in such situations.

2.2 AIR PURIFIER TECHNOLOGY

The best performing air purifiers feature more than one filter technology, and using HEPA style filtration is the key to optimal results. Filtration performance is not ideal without the use of HEPA air purifiers, and symptoms of particle pollution, like allergies and asthma, are not reduced.

2.3 FILTERS AVAILABLE TO PURIFY AIR

Air filters are device that take away particles, like dirt and VOC (volatile organic compounds) these filters give you good air quality. So, if we see that there are many types of filter available on the market but all have some unique property to ensure you to provide good air for example ionic, carbon, UV air filter and HEPA they are usually employed at the economic, commercial sectors

- **IONIC AIR FILTER**

Ionic air filter we also say that air ionizer. They are different from the filter because of their work as a negative ion generator. They release a negative ion charge which attached to the pollutants and this bond particle falls down due to weight. By this filter, particles may not be in air, but these particles still present in the room until you vacuum out this particle.

- **HEPA AIR FILTER**

The term HEPA stands for high efficiency particulate air and what that basically means is its special type of filter that captures microscopic particle these particles include things

the dust, pollen, bacteria etc. and particulate matter that comes from outdoor air pollution. High efficiency air cleaners are devices that clean the air by removing microscopic contaminants. This leads to cleaner, fresher air to breathe. HEPA filters catch particles which are size of 0.3 microns or larger and it almost takes away up to 99.97% of small particles.

- **CARBON AIR FILTER**

It's been specially treated with oxygen to open up the pores of the carbon atoms. What this process does is increase the total surface area of the charcoal so it can capture certain particles from the air. Those particles include odour and gas molecules. As odours and gases pass through a carbon filter the molecules react with the charcoal and stick to the surface. Essentially this removes bad smells and chemical gases from indoor air from things like paint, volatile organic compounds and more. Particles which are captured by the carbon are carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, sulphur dioxide, lead and particulate matter.

- **UV AIR FILTER**

UV light is designed for one purpose to kill airborne bacteria and viruses. As air passes through the air purifier, the UV light shines on the microorganisms and pathogens, and this destroys their DNA structure. After the air is sterilized, those germs are harmless to your health. Wavelength of these rays are 254nm

2.4 Literature Review

HEPA filters were originally classified as top-secret, developed by the US Atomic Energy Commission to protect soldiers from radioactive particles on the battlefield. During World War II, scientists involved in the Manhattan Project used HEPA masks to guard against contaminants from the atomic bomb. Although these early HEPA masks couldn't possibly protect people from atomic radiation, the research spawned the HEPA filter, which provided protection against chlorine gas, mustard gas, and flame throwers. It was not until the 1960s that specifications were standardized and the term HEPA or "High Efficiency Particulate Air" was officially coined by the Department of Energy (DOE).

As defined by the DOE, HEPA filters remove at least 99.97% of dust, pollen, mold, bacteria and any airborne particles with a size of 0.3 microns at 85 liters per minute. From the beginning, HEPA filters were employed to filter out highly hazardous aerosols, toxic carcinogens, radioactive particles, and biohazardous contaminants.

In Germany, brothers Klaus and Manfred Hammes purchased a patent for a simple air filtration system. Using a fiberglass pad attached with small magnets to the air outlet of a residential oil oven, the Hammes brothers were able to filter soot from the air. In 1963, the Hammes brothers simple but effective filter became the first air cleaner to be utilized in homes across Germany. In the same year, US Congress passed the Clean Air Act of 1963 to set standards for the reduction of air pollution through fuel emissions standards. Although it was not Congress first attempt at reducing air pollution, the Clean Air Act of 1963 alerted scientists and consumers of the need to protect our lungs from pollutants such as perfumes, building materials, chemicals, pesticides, and allergens. No longer classified as top-secret, HEPA air filters became popular in the 1970s and 1980s as more consumers became concerned about air pollution. With the introduction of dozens of products featuring HEPA filters, new and exciting ways to control allergies and asthma finally became widely available for residential use. Originally, the first HEPA air purifiers were bulky, difficult to operate, and traditionally used only in hospital and pharmaceutical settings and among computer chip manufacturers. Then businesses began to take notice of indoor air quality concerns among residential consumers.

In response to the growing demand for cleaner air, Incen AG, the Hammes brothers newly formed company moved to Switzerland and began developing and manufacturing residential air purifiers in 1971. After many years of international success for Incen AG, Frank Hammes, son of Klaus Hammes, began to distribute cabin air filters as add-on accessories for Mercedes-Benz automobiles in 1990.

In 1991, Frank Hammes formed IQAir North America, which has promoted the continual growth and success of the air purification industry. In 1991, through the amazing technology of True Medical HEPA and Activated Carbon, Richard Taylor created a filter that addressed the issues of environmental particulate contamination, chemical toxicity, and odours. It was then that he and his wife Joyce founded Austin Air Systems Limited. Based out of Buffalo, NY, Austin Air introduced a pre-filter that ensured a HEPA filter life unequalled to anything

in the industry. Austin Air's 360-degree intake system draws air into all sides of the air cleaner, maximizing efficiency and delivering more clean air faster. With the largest air cleaner manufacturing facility in the world, Austin Air continues to produce all the parts for their fantastic air purifiers.

Established in 1992, Aller Air quickly became a trusted name in air purification. After a family member of AllerAir founder Sam Teitelbaum developed Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS), Teitelbaum and partner Wayne Martin decided to develop their own air cleaner. Using the combination of true HEPA filters and a MAC-B (mass activated carbon bed) filters, which contain pounds of carbon, AllerAir created an air purifier that safely and effectively removes chemicals, gases, and odours from the air. With offices in the United States, Italy, and Canada, AllerAir air purifiers are used by the Mayo Clinic, IBM, Gucci, Prada, and the U.S. Army. With more than 100 models to choose from, AllerAir air cleaners are efficient, practical, and cost effective. With headquarters in Stockholm, Sweden, and Chicago, the Blueair air purifier company is committed to creating a healthier environment both indoors and out. Founded in Sweden in 1996, Blueair quickly earned a reputation for high performance, technological innovation, and quality design. A revolutionary combination of mechanical and electrostatic filtration allows Blueair purifiers to capture 99.97% of irritating particles, gases, and odours. With more than five different models, these powerful yet near-silent air cleaners provide a visually-pleasing form and highly effective function.

Now a global leader in the production of specialty products and chemicals and a subsidiary brand of Kaz, Honeywell started as a hot water heater company in 1906 and has a longstanding tradition of supplying safe, reliable, and high-quality products. Acquired by Kaz in July of 2002, Honeywell's indoor air quality products continually meet and exceed the American Lung Association's Health House guidelines with meaningful innovations based on consumer research and insights. With the use of permanent, lifetime HEPA filters, Honeywell air cleaners remove 99.97% of all common, household particles such as dust, pollen, tobacco, smoke, and cat dander. The Honeywell glass-fiber HEPA material helps remove airborne particles without the use of expensive ultraviolet bulbs, chemicals, or other treatments. With a diversity of products to fit your needs, Honeywell offers a series of Home Comfort and Indoor Air Quality Solutions.

In 2002, IQAir air purifiers became the first air cleaners to incorporate H13 class certified HEPA filters, which capture up to 100 times more particles than conventional HEPA filters. H13 class certified HEPA filters, up to that point, had only been used in hospital clean rooms. • Although no longer a top-secret government project, air purifiers still hold the secrets to cleaner air and healthier environments for many asthma and allergy sufferers. Today HEPA air purifiers and filters are used in a variety of critical filtration applications in nuclear, electronic, aerospace, pharmaceutical and medical fields, as well as in homes around the world.

Research scholars at home and abroad have done a lot of research. Nowadays, indoor air purification technology is mainly divided into two types: capture type and reactive type. The capture type separates the contaminants from the air fluid by filtration or adsorption, leaving the contaminants in the air purifier. The reaction type principle mainly removes gaseous pollutants (molecular type pollutants) in the air by chemical reaction or ionization. Common reaction mechanisms are UV sterilization, photo catalysis and chemical catalysis, room temperature thermal catalysis, plasma and ozone oxidation. However, this purification method is easy to cause secondary pollution. There are three common capture air cleaning systems: mechanical filtration, electrostatic precipitator (ESP), and hybrid air purifiers (Chan et al., 2015).

In 1963, the German Hammer brothers developed the first indoor mechanical filter to remove soot from indoor air. The main components of mechanical filtration (also known as fiber filtration) are fans and filter dust collectors (Klepeis et al., 2017). The built-in fan draws indoor air into the purifier. The particulate pollutants in the air are filtered by diffusion, interception, impact or inertial force. Its filtration efficiency is affected by the structure of the air purifier, the nature of the filter material and the power of the fan. This type of purifier uses a wide variety of filter materials, and the filtration function depends mainly on the nature of the material. Porous filter materials such as nonwovens, filter paper and fibrous materials are most commonly used. The air filter for filtering PM_{2.5} is usually made of high-efficiency air filter material (HEPA: High Efficiency Particulate Air), and the material is ultra-fine glass fiber or synthetic fiber, which is often processed into paper. As early as the 1940s, the United States developed the earliest HEPA filter in the Manhattan project, which was used to prevent the spread of radioactive pollutants in the air.

Nowadays, it has been widely used in the nuclear industry, pharmaceutical industry, food industry and semiconductor industry (Oh et al., 2014). The main components of HEPA are mostly glass fiber or quartz fiber. The efficiency of good HEPA material to remove particulate pollutants in the air can be as high as 99.97%. The most important feature of this material is the high efficiency of particle collection, but the resistance is very large. These two parameters depend on the fiber structure (bulk density, fiber diameter and thickness), operating conditions (filtration rate and temperature), and the characteristics of the trapped aerosol (density, particle size, and particle size distribution). The particulate contaminants are first deposited in the filter bed and deposited on the surface of the filter (Park et al., 2017).

This process does not affect the apparent filtration rate. After that, a filter cake is formed on the surface of the filter. As the particulate matter continues to deposit, the resistance increases exponentially. Therefore, the requirements and energy consumption of the wind turbines are getting higher. In order to reduce energy consumption, such air purifiers have to periodically replace the filter media material. Moreover, the filter material is a one-time consumable, which is not economical. In addition, long-term use of this filter can cause contaminants to escape from the filter, producing human-perceivable contaminants. Therefore, the mechanical filter air purifier has a lower market share (Rice et al., 2018).

However, primary filtration and intermediate filtration are still widely used in the pre-stage protection of high efficiency filters. The electrostatic precipitator can use either high-voltage positive electrode discharge or high-voltage negative electrode discharge, but they all use corona discharge. It is mainly composed of a discharge electrode and a collecting electrode, and the discharge electrode is connected to the first stage of the DC high voltage power supply. Two prerequisites for corona discharge are high voltage power supplies and electrodes with very small radii. The mechanism of action is to generate static electricity by the corona discharge principle while generating an electrostatic field. Very small particulate contaminants are ionized into positive ions and electrons as they flow through the high voltage electric field. These particles can collide with other particles or air molecules to charge the latter, and the electrons and positive ions move to the positive and negative electrodes, respectively, to form an electric field across the gas between the two plates.

Then, under the action of the electric field force, the charged particles are orientated in the electric field along the direction of the power line to be captured on the collecting electrode, and this process generates a minute current. The electrostatic air purifier does not need to replace the filter material regularly like a mechanical air purifier. After the power is turned off, the filter can be removed and cleaned for recycling (Shao et al., 2017).

Compared with the mechanical filter, the electrostatic precipitator air purifier is economical and environmentally friendly. Therefore, it is attracting more and more people's attention, becoming the mainstream trend of indoor dust collector research, and at the same time, it is increasingly occupying the dominant market. With the development of this technology, the electrostatic precipitator purifier has higher and higher dust removal efficiency and lower energy consumption. However, during operation, the electrostatic precipitator air purifier generates secondary pollutants, that is, ozone, due to high-voltage electricity ionizing oxygen in the air. Moreover, the ozone concentration generated easily exceeds the indoor average of 0.16 mg/m³ for one hour as stipulated by the National Indoor Air Quality Standard (GB/T18883-2015), which is also the biggest drawback of this type of air purifier. The filtration efficiency of such an air purifier is affected by a number of factors. The flow of air can affect the electrostatic field, which in turn affects the charging and motion of particulate contaminants.

At the same time, if the concentration of particulate matter is high, it will also affect the electrostatic field, air flow field and particle motion. Common electrostatic air purifiers are mainly divided into the following types: the conventional electrostatic air purifier consists of an electrode and a trap plate. The electrodes are placed in a central position. The electric field lines are perpendicular to the direction of air flow. The two-electrode plate electrostatic air purifier can change the voltage. It removes particulate and gaseous contaminants such as NO_x. The hybrid air purifier combines the principle of static electricity with other filtration mechanisms to improve its filtration efficiency and economy. After passing through the electrostatic field, a portion of the particles are captured by the collecting electrode and a portion is captured by the fibrous material. These fiber materials do not require the use of HEPA (HEPA resistance is too high, energy consumption is high) because charged particles charge the fiber filter material, which increases the filtration performance of the fiber material (Wongaree et al., 2016).

The electrostatic precipitator system is designed with a water mist curtain at the front end of the electrostatic precipitator system. On the one hand, it can cool down and lower the high temperature gas to room temperature. On the other hand, the increase of humidity will cause the condensation of some small particles (especially nanoparticles), thereby increasing the particle size of the particle contaminants and improving the filtration efficiency. The experimental results show that the filtration efficiency of the nano-particles with water mist curtain and water mist curtain is 67.9%~92.9% and 99.2%~99.7%, respectively. The wet electrostatic precipitator system has high filtration efficiency. However, the humidity of the gas is greatly increased, causing discomfort to the human body. Therefore, it is not suitable for use in indoor environments. The first stage of the dual zone electrostatic precipitator system is the particulate pollutant charging area. There is a high voltage electric field in this area, and the particles are charged under the action of a high voltage electric field.

The second stage is the settling area. The particles settle to the collecting plate under the action of an electric field. Such a dust removing device is often used in the field of indoor air purification because of its small size. Today, most of the air-based electrostatic precipitators are used in the market. The main structures include electrostatic precipitators, pre-filters, fiber composite layers, fans and negative ion generators. Physical and chemical adsorption is the main mechanism of action of adsorption air purifiers. The adsorption carriers commonly used in the two are activated carbon, silica gel, molecular sieves or fibers. Physical adsorption often requires that the adsorbent support be porous and have a large specific surface area. The principle is to use the intermolecular force to adsorb the pollutants on the adsorption carrier to achieve the effect of removing pollutants. Today, mainstream air purifiers on the market often use adsorption methods to remove harmful gases or volatile organic compounds, such as sulfur dioxide, hydrogen sulfide, nitrogen oxides, benzene, formaldehyde and toluene in the air (Xiao et al., 2018).

The advantage is that no matter the concentration of the pollutants, the adsorption effect can be good, and the adsorption speed is fast. The chemical adsorption relies on the above-mentioned materials as a carrier, coating a layer of active chemical substance on the surface thereof as needed, or merging with these chemicals to form a novel purification medium. Then, the pollutants in the air are removed by a chemical reaction method. Through catalysis, decomposition, oxidation and neutralization, a variety of harmful substances in the

air are adsorbed, thereby achieving the purpose of eliminating pollutants. However, once the adsorption carrier is saturated, it needs to be replaced and cannot be recycled.

2.5 Block Diagram

In our project we have set up an **Air Purifier System**. In this circuit we have used one exhaust fan for suck the air in inside of cylinder. Here we also use a air tower, air HEPA filter, MQ 135 air quality monitoring sensor etc.. In this diagram we will show by block the individual parts.

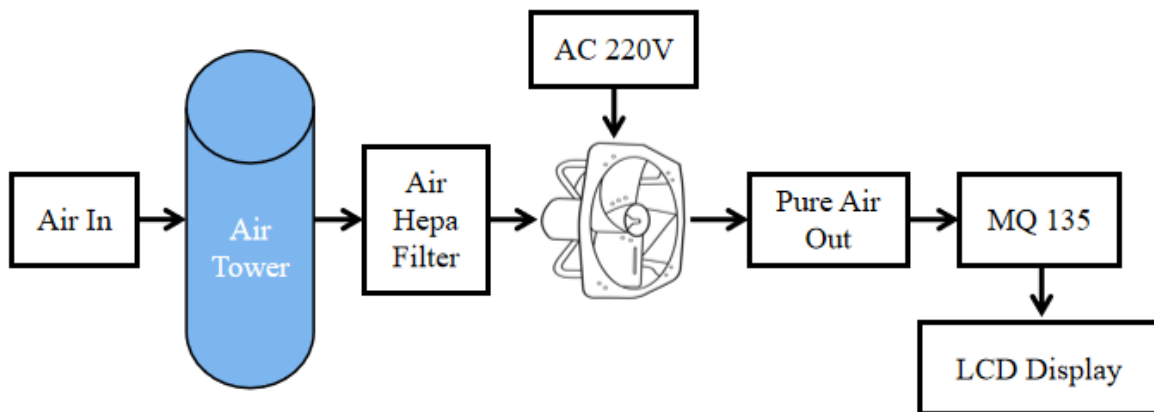


Figure 2.1: Block Diagram of Air Purifier System.

2.6 Structural Design

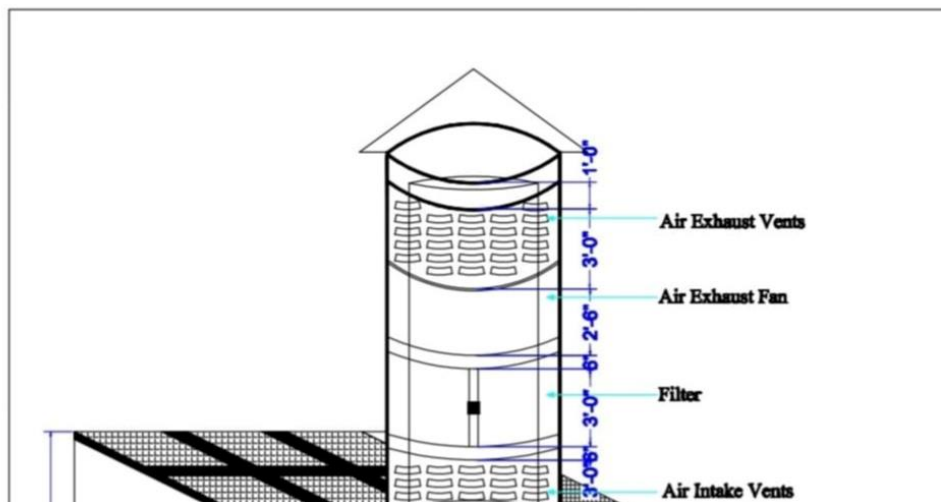


Figure 2.2: Schematic Diagram of Air Purifier System.

2.7 Schematic Diagram

The schematic diagram here is representing the electrical circuit and the components of the **Air Purifier System**. Here we connect equipment with the smart wire connection.

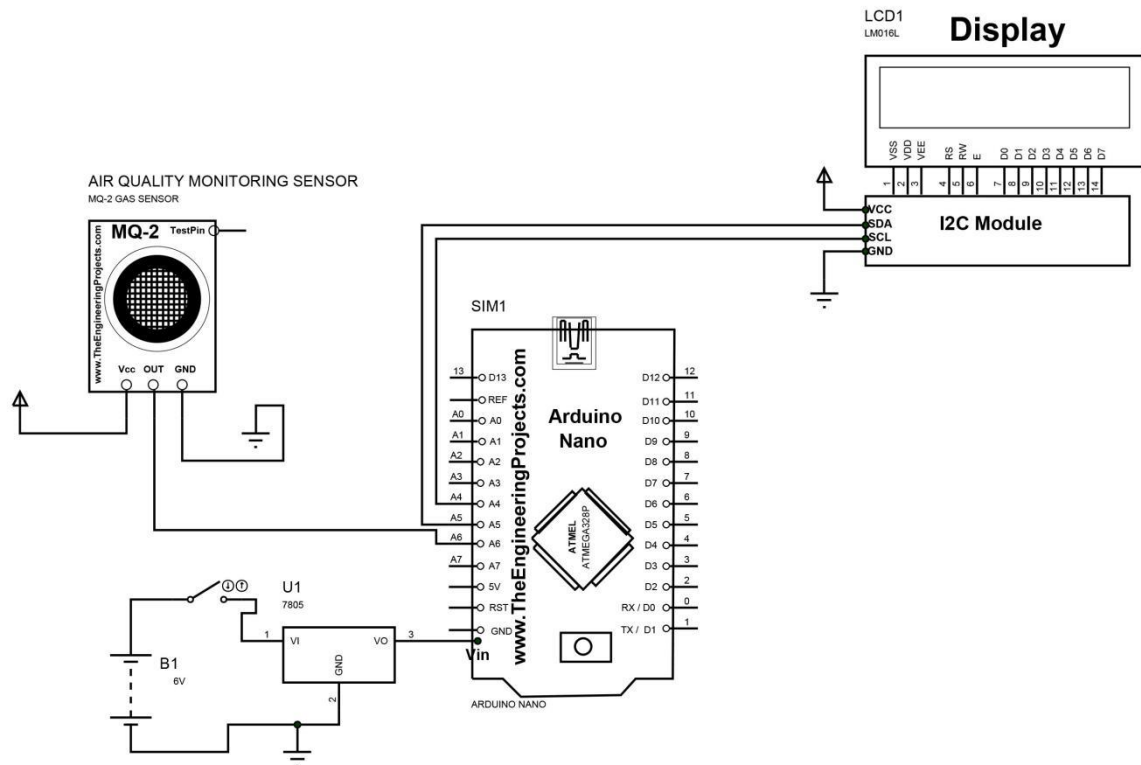


Figure 2.3: Schematic Diagram of our circuit

2.8 Components List:

Hardware Part:

1. Metal Base
2. Steel Air Cylinder Tower
3. Exhaust Fan
4. HEPA Filter
5. MQ 135 Air Quality Monitoring System
6. Arduino Nano
7. Battery

Software Part:

1. Arduino Software
2. Proteus Software

2.9 Summary

The above discussion gives an idea about the **Air Purifier System**. All that work on this system already been done here, and the results of their work, the use of **Air Purifier System** in the situation are described in detail. From this we also got the direction of work of the project.

CHAPTER 3

HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE ANALYSIS

3.1 HEPA TECHNOLOGY

HEPA is an acronym for High Efficiency Particulate Air and is a technology that has been used for many years to filter particles. HEPA filters must meet a standard of trapping at least 99.97% of all particles larger than 0.3 microns. The human eye can only see particles larger than 10 microns; so particles caught in a HEPA filter such as chemicals, bacteria and viruses cannot be seen. Because HEPA filters are able to trap mold and bacteria, they create a more sanitary environment. Additionally, this does not generate ozone or any other harmful byproducts.

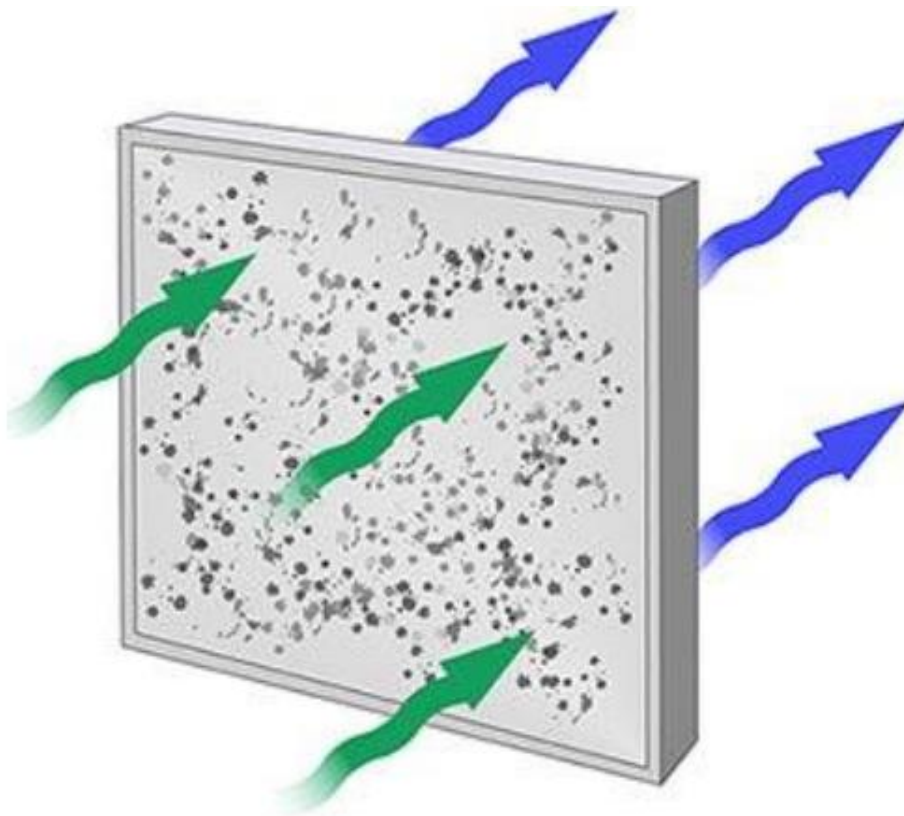


Figure 3.1: HEPA Filter Working

HEPA Filter

The HEPA filter is a very fine fiber-like material that has been folded back and forth to create the shape of an accordion. This accordion shape creates a maze of randomly arranged fibers and presents a very large surface for air to be pushed through by the air purifier fan. Airflow must have an opportunity to pass through the filter in order for it to be cleaned. The more times airflow passes through the filter in an hour, the cleaner the air will become. Components of a HEPA Filter HEPA filters are made of boron silicate microfibers formed into a flat sheet by a process similar to making paper.



Figure 3.2 HEPA Filter

Flat filter sheets are pleated to increase the overall surface area. Pleats are separated by baffles which direct the airflow through the filter. Filter media is very delicate and should never be touched.

How a HEPA Filter Operates

Large particles will not be able to pass through the openings of the fibers and will immediately get caught. The smaller particles will get caught by one of four mechanisms.

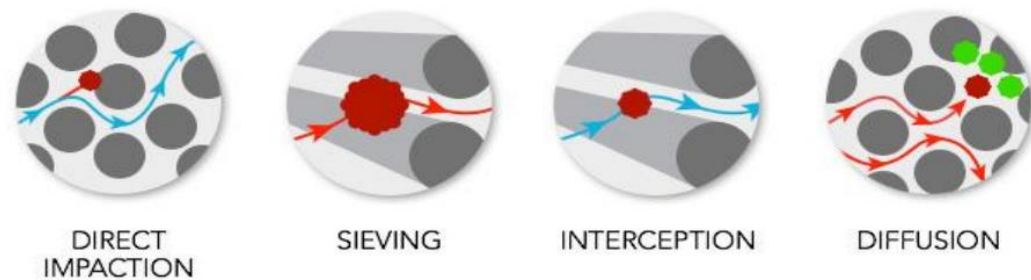


Figure 3.3: Filter absorb the small particle

Direct Impaction: Large contaminants, such as certain types of dust, mold, and pollen, travel in a straight path, collide with a fiber, and stick to it.

Sieving: The air stream carries a particle between two fibers, but the particle is larger than the gap, so it becomes ensnared.

Interception: Airflow is nimble enough to reroute around fibers, but, thanks to inertia, particles continue on their path and stick to the sides of fibers.

Diffusion: Small, ultrafine particles move more erratically than larger ones, so they're more likely to hit and stick to fibers.

HEPA air purifiers are the most effective at trapping airborne particles; however, they do not remove odours, chemicals or gases. Therefore, most HEPA air purifiers have some level of activated carbon based material to absorb odours and chemicals not caught by the HEPA filter.

Types of HEPA Filter

An ideal HEPA filter for the best air purifier is the one that captures 99.97% of minute dust particles as minute as 0.3 microns. Only a real HEPA Filter can achieve the above-mentioned objective. Thus, this way you can adjudicate whether your filter is a true HEPA Filter or not. HEPA Filter is classified with A to E stickers depending on their efficiency. Type A is considered to be the least efficient and Type E the most efficient appropriate for defenseless applications. Vacuum Cleaners generally have Type A filters which work efficiently within our house.

HEPA Filter Strengths

- Remove dust, dust mites, pet dander, pollens, mold, some bacteria and other common indoor allergens.
- Air contaminants that have been trapped in the filter won't be released back into the air.
- Does not generate ozone or harmful byproducts.

HEPA Filter Weaknesses

- Won't remove odours, gases, chemical fumes, volatile organic compounds, cigarette smoke, and ultra-small particles, viruses and germs (0.01 microns and below).
- HEPA filter works passively. It requires a fan to draw in air in order to trap air contaminants.
- Bacteria and viruses trapped in the filter can breed and reproduce.

TECHNOLOGY COMPLIMENT HEPA FILTER

The best technology to pair with HEPA style filtration in air purifiers really depends on your concern. There are many different technologies that are used in air purifiers with HEPA style filtration, such as activated carbon, pre-filters, ultraviolet light, and ionizers. Choosing the best air purifier with the most efficient technology can be easy with some research and comparison. While searching through many air purifiers to find your perfect

solution, be aware that the technology used is the most important factor you should consider. □

- **Pre-Filters**

A pre-filter captures the largest particles before they reach the more expensive HEPA filter. Most of the particles in your air are large particles like dander and dust, not tiny ones like pollens and microbes. Even though HEPA filters have a large number of pleats to maximize their surface area, they can fill up quickly if larger particles are not pre-filtered out. □

- **Activated Carbon**

Elements like activated carbon, zeolite, or potassium permanganate are added to air purifier filters to increase efficiency to the filtering system. These elements work to absorb smoke, gases, chemicals, and odours that are present in the air. Activated carbon neutralizes odours and traps harmful chemicals and gases in its pores to provide relief from activities like secondhand smoke, off-gassing from plastics, and harmful fumes produced from renovations. An effective filtering system that is also equipped with chemical adsorption materials can produce cleaner and fresher-smelling air. □

- **Ultraviolet Light**

Ultraviolet light (UV) technology is key to neutralizing viruses and bacteria that accumulate on air purifier air filters. It is important to use the UV technology in combination with HEPA air filters and possibly activated carbon. Without a particulate filter system like a HEPA air filter, too many microorganisms may be hidden from the UV light, since it is not easily located on an air filter.

Table 01 Alternative Filters

Alternative Technology	Pros	Cons
Pre-Filters	Captures large particles • May be washable • Extends life of HEPA filter	Requires maintenance

Activated Carbon	Absorbs odours, gases, and chemicals • Leaves space smelling fresh • Removes tobacco smoke and pet odours	Heavy • Expensive
Ultraviolet Light	• Neutralizes microorganisms, like bacteria and viruses	

3.2 AC Exhaust Fan

Exhaust fans are **used to pull excess moisture and unwanted odors out of a particular room or area**. They are commonly found in bathrooms and kitchens, where moisture can build up due to activities such as showering, washing, or cooking. The existence of clean air in the house is something that every homeowner must pay attention to. As is known, dirty air trapped in the house can cause various diseases, especially respiratory diseases for all family members. Because of that, every house must have a good air circulation system by installing ventilation. As for people who live in urban areas, often the presence of ventilation is not enough to replace the air in the house.



Figure 3.4: AC Exhaust Fan

Exhaust fans are a solution so that the exchange of clean air and dirty air in the house can run well. Sometimes homeowners can install more than 1 exhaust fan in the house. Usually the rooms where the exhaust fan is installed are the bathroom and kitchen or places with poor air circulation. There are various types of exhaust fans available in the market. Just adjust it to the needs and benefits you want to get. Even so, it turns out that the exhaust fan has its own advantages and disadvantages.

Exhaust Fan Advantages

The existence of an exhaust fan provides many advantages, especially if it is installed in a room with poor air circulation. The advantages of exhaust fans include:

1. Improve Indoor Air Quality

Exhaust fans installed in rooms such as bathrooms or kitchens can help improve air quality to be cleaner. Stuffy air like in the bathroom to the smell of cooking that is too strong can be replaced immediately if there is an exhaust fan in the room.

2. Eliminate Bad Smell

The unpleasant and pungent smell is very disturbing. Especially if the aroma comes from a room with a poor air exchange system such as in the bathroom. This makes people think that the room is very dirty and makes people reluctant to enter it. For this reason, the installation of an exhaust fan is necessary to reduce or eliminate unpleasant odors in the room. That way the air in the room remains clean and does not smell when entering the room.

3. Removes Air Moisture

A humid room makes the air stuffy and smelly. If left unchecked, it is not impossible to damage the walls and ceiling of the house because it is too wet. Even in certain parts can be overgrown with moss and fungus which of course can damage a room. For this reason, the installation of an exhaust fan is very useful to quickly remove moisture from the air. That way the air in the room remains dry and not too humid because of good air exchange

by the exhaust fan. Installing an exhaust fan in the bathroom can also help eliminate foggy mirror syndrome due to too high humidity.

4. Reduce Air Contamination

Cooking smoke, cigarette smoke, hot air, and unpleasant odors are very disturbing to the human respiratory system. Especially if the air is dangerous and causes a disease if inhaled for a long time. For this reason, the existence of clean air must always be available in the house in order to provide comfort for every family member. Removing contaminated and dirty air does not need to open all windows and doors of the house, just use an exhaust fan. Because the change of air becomes faster and easier if you use an exhaust fan.

5. Can Be Used as an Air Conditioner

Exhaust fans can also cool the air in the room. This is in accordance with the working principle of the exhaust fan, which is to absorb hot air in the room to the outside, then replace it with new air so that the room becomes cooler.

At first glance, the way it works is similar to a fan, but it is more efficient at dissipating heat in the room.

Disadvantages of Exhaust Fan

Behind the advantages, it turns out that the exhaust fan also has several disadvantages, including:

- Almost all exhaust fans sold on the market use electricity in the form of electricity, so that in the event of a power outage, of course the exhaust fan cannot work.
- Some types of exhaust fans must be installed in the wall or even become one with the ceiling of the house or ceiling. In other words, the exhaust fan cannot be moved anywhere.

- If the installation is not done properly, there is a possibility that hot and humid air can escape to other areas in the house. Not only that, an exhaust fan that is not properly insulated, when air is drawn from the interior, can be lost in the attic of the house and can actually cause another problem such as damp tiles.
- Improper installation of the exhaust fan can make a noise when the fan rotates. The sound produced is very disturbing to the occupants of the house, so it is very likely that the exhaust fan will not be operated.
- Exhaust fans are only used to remove air from inside to outside the room or in one direction.

Application

Exhaust fans cool down the indoor spaces, ventilate the hot and stuffy air, and can prevent the excess amount of moisture content effectively from building up in the damp areas.

3.3 Arduino Nano

Arduino is an open source electronics prototyping platform based on flexible, easy-to-use hardware and software. It's intended for artists, designers, hobbyists, and anyone interested in creating interactive objects or environments. Arduino can sense the environment by receiving input from a variety of sensors and can affect its surroundings by controlling Lights, motors, and other actuators.

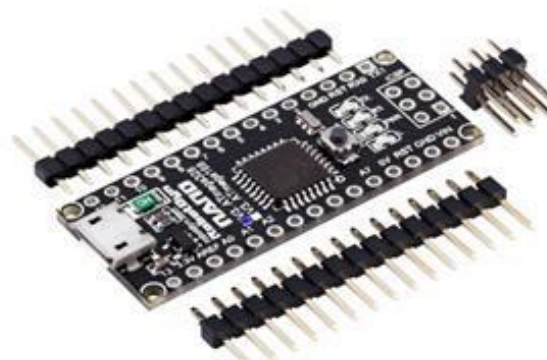


Figure 3.5: Arduino Nano

The microcontroller on the board is programmed using the Arduino programming language (based on Wiring) and the Arduino development environment (based on Processing). Arduino projects can be stand-alone or they can communicate with software on running on a computer (e.g. Flash, Processing, Maxims’).

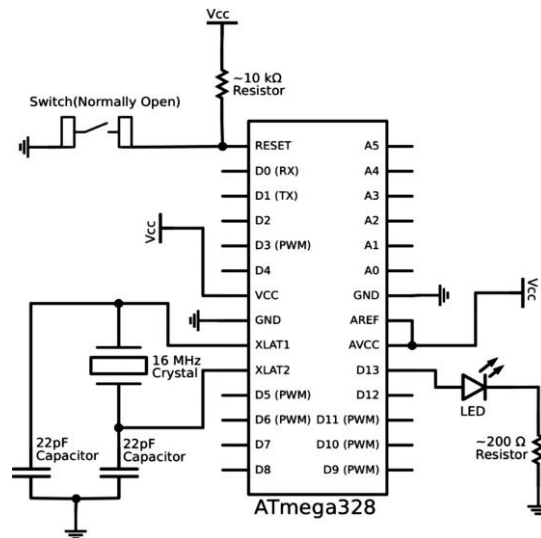


Figure 3.6: Arduino Nano Schematic Diagram

Arduino Nano is a surface mount breadboard embedded version with integrated USB. It is a small, complete, and breadboard friendly component. It has everything that Duemilanove has (electrically) with more analog input pins and onboard +5V AREF jumper. Physically, it is missing power jack. The Nano can automatically sense and switch to the higher potential source of power. Nano’s got the breadboard-ability of the Boarding and the Minibus with smaller footprint than either, so users have more breadboard space. It’s got a pin layout that works well with the Mini or the Basic Stamp (TX, RX, ATN, and GND on one top, power and ground on the other).

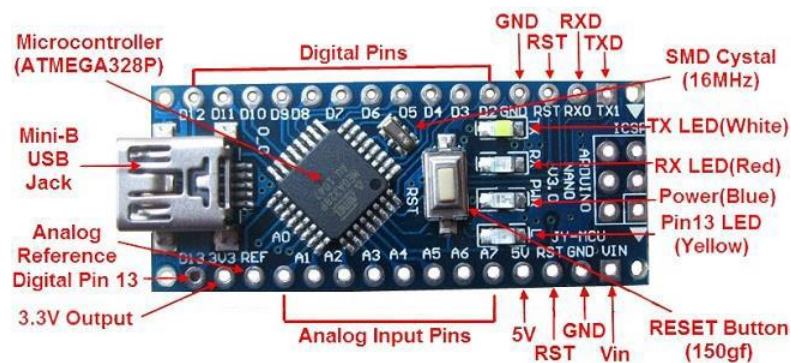


Figure 3.7: How Arduino Nano looks like

Specifications

- Microcontroller: Atmel ATmega328
- Operating Voltage (logic level): 5 V
- Input Voltage (recommended): 7-12 V
- Input Voltage (limits): 6-20 V
- Digital I/O Pins: 14 (of which 6 provide PWM output)
- Analog Input Pins: 8
- DC Current per I/O Pin: 40 mA
- Flash Memory: 32 KB (of which 2KB used by boot loader)
- SRAM: 2 KB
- EEPROM: 1 KB
- Clock Speed: 16 MHz
- Dimensions: 0.70" x 1.70"

Microcontroller IC ATmega328p



Figure 3.8: Microcontroller IC AT mega 328p

Features:

- Automatic reset during program download
- Power OK blue LED
- Green (TX), red (RX) and orange (L) LED
- Auto sensing/switching power input
- Small mini –B USB for programming and serial monitor

- ICSP header for direct program download
- Standard 0.1 spacing DIP (breadboard friendly)
- Manual reset switch

The high-performance Microchip Pico Power 8-bit AVR RISC-based microcontroller combines 32KB ISP flash memory with read-while-write capabilities, 1024B EEPROM, 2KB SRAM, 23 general purpose I/O lines, 32 general purpose working registers, three flexible timer/counters with compare modes, internal and external interrupts, serial programmable USART, a byte-oriented 2-wire serial interface, SPI serial port, a 6-channel 10-bit A/D converter (8-channels in TQFP and QFN/MLF packages), programmable watchdog timer with internal oscillator, and five software selectable power saving modes. The device operates between 1.8-5.5 volts. By executing powerful instructions in a single clock cycle, the device achieves throughputs approaching 1 MIPS per MHz, balancing power consumption and processing speed.

3.4 MQ 135 Air Quality Monitoring System

MQ-135 is a gas sensor that has lower conductivity in clean air. It is low cost and suitable for different applications. This module operates at 5V, has $33\Omega \pm 5\%$ resistance, and consumes around 150mA. This sensor has four pins from four pins, Digital and Analog output pins, which are used to approximate these gasses levels in the atmosphere. When these gasses go beyond a threshold limit in the air, the digital pin rises. This threshold value can be set by using the onboard potentiometer.



Figure 3.9: MQ 135 Sensor

Features of MQ-135 Sensor

1. Wide detecting scope, Fast response, and High sensitivity
2. Long lifespan
3. Heater Voltage: 5.0V
4. It contains analog output and high/low digital output
5. The TTL output signal is a low level
6. The operating Voltage is +5V
7. Detected/Measure NH₃, NO_x, alcohol, Benzene, smoke, CO₂, etc.
8. Detection Range: 10 – 300 ppm NH₃, 10 – 1000 ppm Benzene, 10 – 300 Alcohol

Working Mechanism

The MQ-135 Gas sensor consists of Tin Dioxide (SnO₂). When target pollution gas exists, the sensor's conductivity increases along with the gas concentration. Users can convert the change of conductivity to correspond to the output signal of gas concentration through a simple circuit. The MQ-135 gas sensor has a high sensitivity to NH₃, S₂, C₆H₆ series steam and can monitor smoke and other toxic gasses. It can detect kinds of toxic gasses.

Pinout of MQ135

The MQ-135 sensor module has four pins, with the most important part being an adjustable potentiometer.

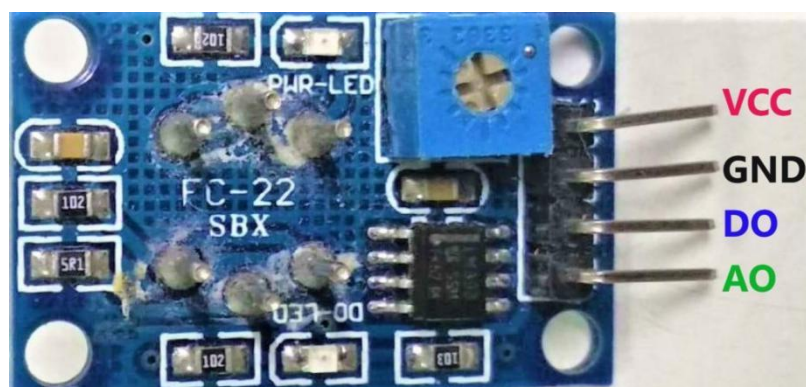


Figure 3.10: MQ 135 Pin Out

The MQ-135 Gas sensor can detect gases like Ammonia (NH₃), sulfur (S), Benzene (C₆H₆), CO₂, and other harmful gases and smoke. Similar to other MQ series gas sensor, this sensor also has a digital and analog output pin.

Pin Number	Pin name	Details
1	VCC Pin	The Pin requires 5V to power the module.
2	Ground Pin	To connect the module to the system's common Ground
3	Digital Output Pin	This pin sets the threshold value by using a potentiometer.
4	Analog Output Pin	The analog voltage pin is based on the concentration of the gas

3.5 LCD Display

The 16 × 2 LCD pin shown below:

- Pin1 (Low / Source PIN): This is a GND display pin, used to connect the GND end of a microcontroller unit or power source.
- Pin2 (VCC / Source Pin): This is a display power supply pin, used to connect a power supply pin.
- Pin3 (V0 / VEE / Control Pin): This pin controls the difference of the display, which is used to connect a flexible POT that can deliver 0 to 5V.
- Pin4 (Register Select / Control Pin): This pin turns between a command or data register, which is used to connect a microcontroller unit pin and gets 0 or 1 (0 = data mode, and 1 = command mode).
- Pin5 (Read / Write / Control Pin): This pin shifts the display between the read or written function, and is connected to the microcontroller unit pin to get 0 or 1 (0 = Write Task, and 1 = Read Task).
- Pin 6 (Enable / Manage Pin): This pin should be held at the top to perform the reading / writing process, and is connected to the microcontroller unit and kept high.

- 7-14 Anchors (Data Anchors): These anchors are used to send data to the display. These pins are connected to two wiring modes such as 4-wire mode and 8-wire mode. In 4-wire mode, only four pins are connected to the microcontroller unit such as 0 to 3, and in 8-wire mode, 8 pins are connected to the microcontroller unit as 0 to 7.
- Pin15 (+ ve LED pin): This pin is connected to + 5V
- Pin 16 (-ve LED pin): This pin is connected to GND.

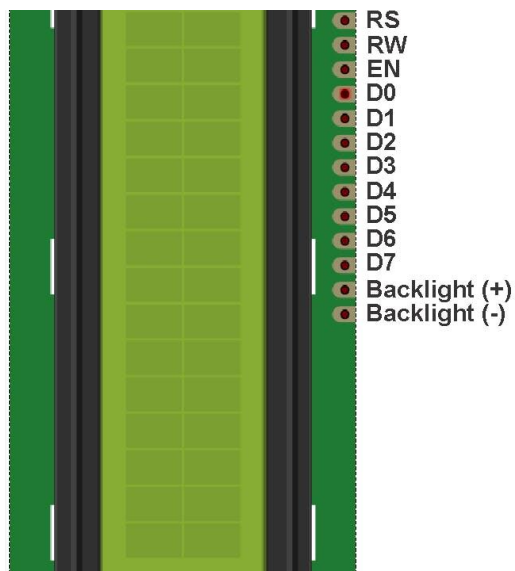


Figure 3.11: LCD Display

Features of LCD 16x2

The features of this LCD mainly include the following.

- The operating voltage of this LCD is 4.7V-5.3V
- It includes two rows where each row can produce 16-characters.
- The utilization of current is 1mA with no backlight
- Every character can be built with a 5×8-pixel box

- The alphanumeric LCDs alphabets & numbers
- Its display can work on two modes like 4-bit & 8-bit
- These are obtainable in Blue & Green Backlight
- It displays a few custom generated characters

3.6 Battery

Lithium batteries are primary batteries that have metallic lithium as an anode. These types of batteries are also referred to as lithium-metal batteries. They stand apart from other batteries in their high charge density and high cost per unit. Depending on the design and chemical compounds used, lithium cells can produce voltages from 1.5 V (comparable to a zinc-carbon or alkaline battery) to about 3.7 V.

Disposable primary lithium batteries must be distinguished from secondary lithium-ion or a lithium-polymer, which are rechargeable batteries. Lithium is especially useful, because its ions can be arranged to move between the anode and the cathode, using an intercalated lithium compound as the cathode material but without using lithium metal as the anode material. Pure lithium will instantly react with water, or even moisture in the air; the lithium in lithium ion batteries is in a less reactive compound.



Figure 3.12: 3.7V Battery

Lithium batteries are widely used in portable consumer electronic devices. The term "lithium battery" refers to a family of different lithium-metal chemistries, comprising many types of cathodes and electrolytes but all with metallic lithium as the anode. The

battery requires from 0.15 to 0.3 kg of lithium per kWh. As designed these primary systems use a charged cathode, that being an electro-active material with crystallographic vacancies that are filled gradually during discharge.

Product Specification

Voltage	3.7 V
Product Type	Lithium-Ion
Battery Capacity	2200mAh
Weight	45 g
Model Number	ICR 18650

3.7 Arduino IDE

The digital micro-controller unit named as Arduino Nano can be programmed with the Arduino software IDE. There is no any requirement for installing other software rather than Arduino. Firstly, Select "Arduino Nano from the Tools, Board menu (according to the micro-controller on our board). The IC used named as ATmega328 on the Arduino Nano comes pre burned with a boot loader that allows us to upload new code to it without the use of an external hardware programmer.

Communication is using the original STK500 protocol (reference, C header files). We can also bypass the boot loader and programs the micro-controller through the ICSP (In Circuit Serial Programming) header. The ATmega16U2 (or 8U2 in the rev1 and rev2 boards) firmware source code is available. The ATmega16U2/8U2 is loaded with a DFU boot loader, which can be activated by:

On Rev1 boards: connecting the solder jumper on the back of the board (near the map of Italy) and then resetting the 8U2. On Rev2 or later boards: there is a resistor that pulling the 8U2/16U2 HWB line to ground, making it easier to put into DFU mode. The Arduino Nano is one of the latest digital micro-controller units and has a number of facilities for communicating with a computer, another Arduino, or other micro-controllers. The ATmega328 provides UART TTL at (5V) with serial communication, which is available

on digital pins 0 -(RX) for receive the data and pin no.1 (TX) for transmit the data. An ATmega16U2 on the board channels this serial communication over USB and appears as a virtual com port to software on the computer. The '16U2 firmware uses the standard USB COM drivers, and no external driver is needed. However, on Windows, an .in file is required. The Arduino software includes a serial monitor which allows simple textual data to be sent to and from the Arduino board.

The RX and TX LEDs on the board will flash when data is being transmitted via the USB-to-serial chip and USB connection to the computer (but not for serial Communication on pins 0 and 1). A Software Serial library allows for serial communication on any of the Nano's digital pins. The ATmega328 also supports I2C (TWI) and SPI communication. The Arduino software includes a Wire library to simplify use of the I2C bus. Arduino programs are written in C or C++ and the program code written for Arduino is called sketch. The Arduino IDE uses the GNU tool chain and AVR Lab to compile programs, and for uploading the programs it uses argued. As the Arduino platform uses Atmel microcontrollers, Atmel's development environment, AVR Studio or the newer Atmel Studio, may also be used to develop software for the Arduino.

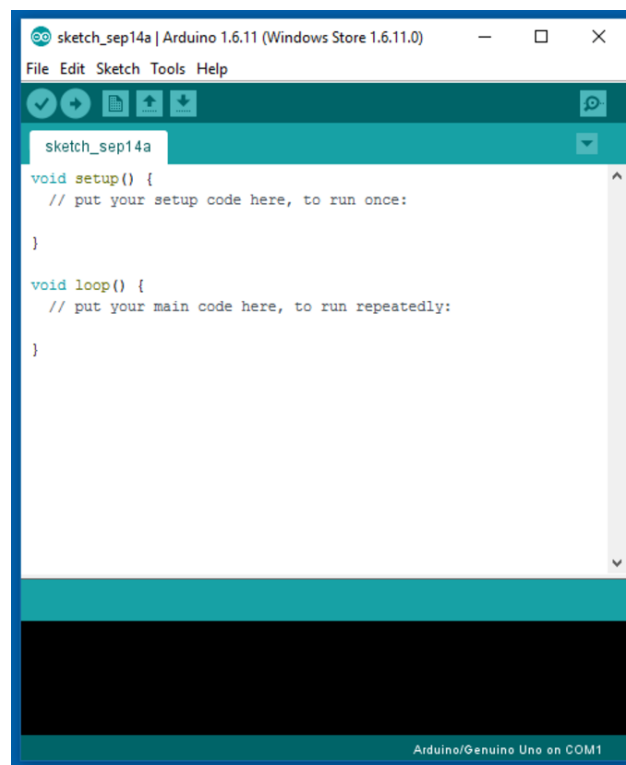


Figure 3.13: Arduino Software Interface IDE

The Arduino Integrated Development Environment - or Arduino Software (IDE) - contains a text editor for writing code, a message area, a text console, a toolbar with buttons for common functions and a series of menus. It connects to the Arduino and Genuino hardware to upload programs and communicate with them.

Writing Sketches

Programs written using Arduino Software (IDE) are called sketches. These sketches are written in the text editor and are saved with the file extension. The editor has features for cutting/pasting and for searching/replacing text. The message area gives feedback while saving and exporting and also displays errors. The console displays text output by the Arduino Software (IDE), including complete error messages and other information. The bottom right hand corner of the window displays the configured board and serial port. The toolbar buttons allow you to verify and upload programs, create, open, and save sketches, and open the serial monitor.

Sketchbook

The Arduino Software (IDE) uses the concept of a sketchbook: a standard place to store your programs (or sketches). The sketches in your sketchbook can be opened from the File > Sketchbook menu or from the Open button on the toolbar. The first time you run the Arduino software, it will automatically create a directory for your sketchbook. You can view or change the location of the sketchbook location from with the Preferences dialog. Beginning with version 1.0, files are saved with a file extension. Previous versions use the .pde extension. You may still open .pde named files in version 1.0 and later, the software will automatically rename the extension to .ino.

Tabs, Multiple Files, and Compilation

Allows you to manage sketches with more than one file (each of which appears in its own tab). These can be normal Arduino code files (no visible extension), C files (.c extension), C++ files (.cpp), or header files (.h).

Uploading

Before uploading your sketch, you need to select the correct items from the Tools > Board and Tools > Port menus. The boards are described below. On the Mac, the serial port is probably something like `/dev/tty.usbmodem241` (for an Uno or Mega2560 or Leonardo) or `/dev/tty.usbserial-1B1` (for a Duemilanove or earlier USB board), or `/dev/tty.USA19QW1b1P1.1` (for a serial board connected with a Keyspan USB-to-Serial adapter). On Windows, it's probably COM1 or COM2 (for a serial board) or COM4, COM5, COM7, or higher (for a USB board) - to find out, you look for USB serial device in the ports section of the Windows Device Manager. On Linux, it should be `/dev/ttyACMx`, `/dev/ttyUSBx` or similar. Once you've selected the correct serial port and board, press the upload button in the toolbar or select the Upload item from the Sketch menu. Current Arduino boards will reset automatically and begin the upload. With older boards (pre-Diecimila) that lack auto-reset, you'll need to press the reset button on the board just before starting the upload. On most boards, you'll see the RX and TX LEDs blink as the sketch is uploaded. The Arduino Software (IDE) will display a message when the upload is complete, or show an error.

Libraries

Libraries provide extra functionality for use in sketches, e.g. working with hardware or manipulating data. To use a library in a sketch, select it from the Sketch > Import Library menu. This will insert one or more `#include` statements at the top of the sketch and compile the library with your sketch. Because libraries are uploaded to the board with your sketch, they increase the amount of space it takes up. If a sketch no longer needs a library, simply delete its `#include` statements from the top of your code.

Third-Party Hardware

Support for third-party hardware can be added to the hardware directory of your sketchbook directory. Platforms installed there may include board definitions (which appear in the board menu), core libraries, bootloaders, and programmer definitions. To install, create the hardware directory, then unzip the third-party platform into its own sub-directory. (Don't use "arduino" as the sub-directory name or you'll override the built-in Arduino platform.) To uninstall, simply delete its directory.

For details on creating packages for third-party hardware, see the Arduino IDE 1.5 3rd party Hardware specification.

Serial Monitor

This displays serial sent from the Arduino or Genuino board over USB or serial connector. To send data to the board, enter text and click on the "send" button or press enter. Choose the baud rate from the drop-down menu that matches the rate passed to Serial. begin in your sketch. Note that on Windows, Mac or Linux the board will reset (it will rerun your sketch) when you connect with the serial monitor. Please note that the Serial Monitor does not process control characters; if your sketch needs a complete management of the serial communication with control characters, you can use an external terminal program and connect it to the COM port assigned to your Arduino board.

3.8 Proteus Software

The Proteus Design Suite is a proprietary software tool suite used primarily for electronic design automation. The software is used mainly by electronics design engineers and technicians to create schematics and electronics prints for manufacturing printed circuit boards.

The first version of what is now the Proteus Design Suite was called PC-B and was written by the company chairman, John Jameson, for DOS in 1988. Schematic Capture support followed in 1990 with a port to the Windows environment shortly thereafter. Mixed mode SPICE Simulation was first integrated into Proteus in 1996 and microcontroller simulation then arrived in Proteus in 1998. Shape based auto routing was added in 2002 and 2006 saw another major product update with 3D Board Visualization. More recently, a dedicated IDE for simulation was added in 2011 and MCAD import/export was included in 2015. Support for high speed design was added in 2017. Feature led product releases are typically biannual, while maintenance based service packs are released as required.

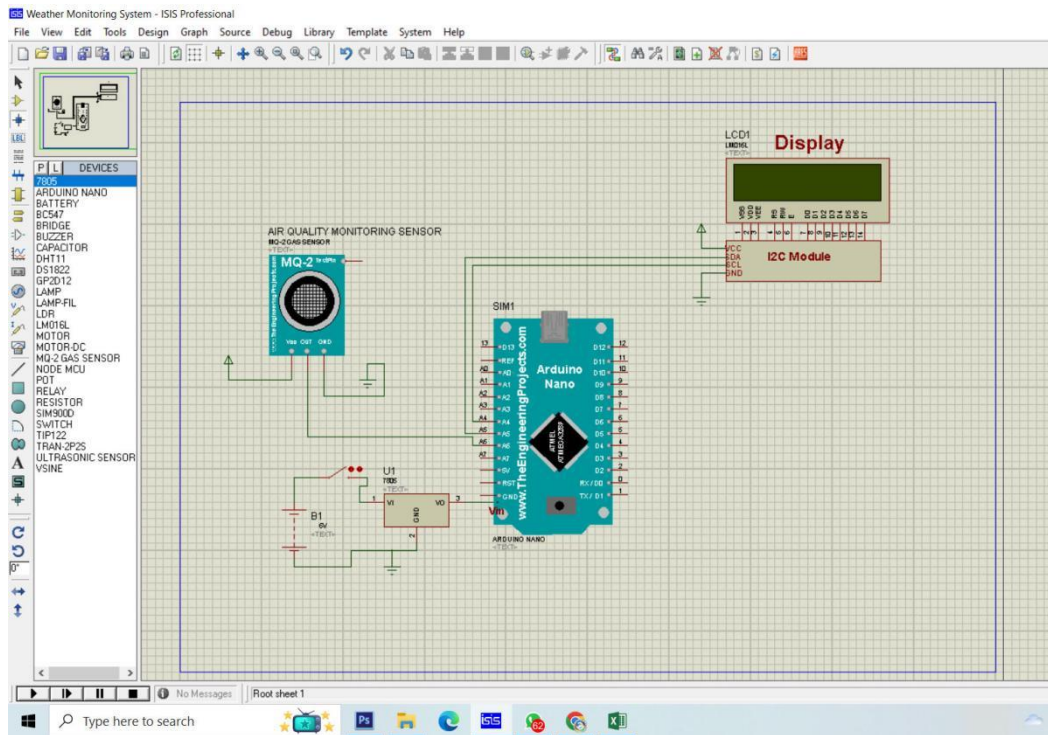


Figure 3.14: Proteus Software Interface

CHAPTER 4

METHODOLOGY

4.1 Our methodologies for the project:

- Creating an idea for the design and construction of **Air Purifier System**. And designing a block diagram to know which components we need to construct it.
- Collecting all the components for our desired system.
- Setting up all the components in a system. Then assembling all the blocks in a system and finally running the system to check if it actually works or not.

4.2 Hardware Parts



Figure 4.1: Steel Base Sheet

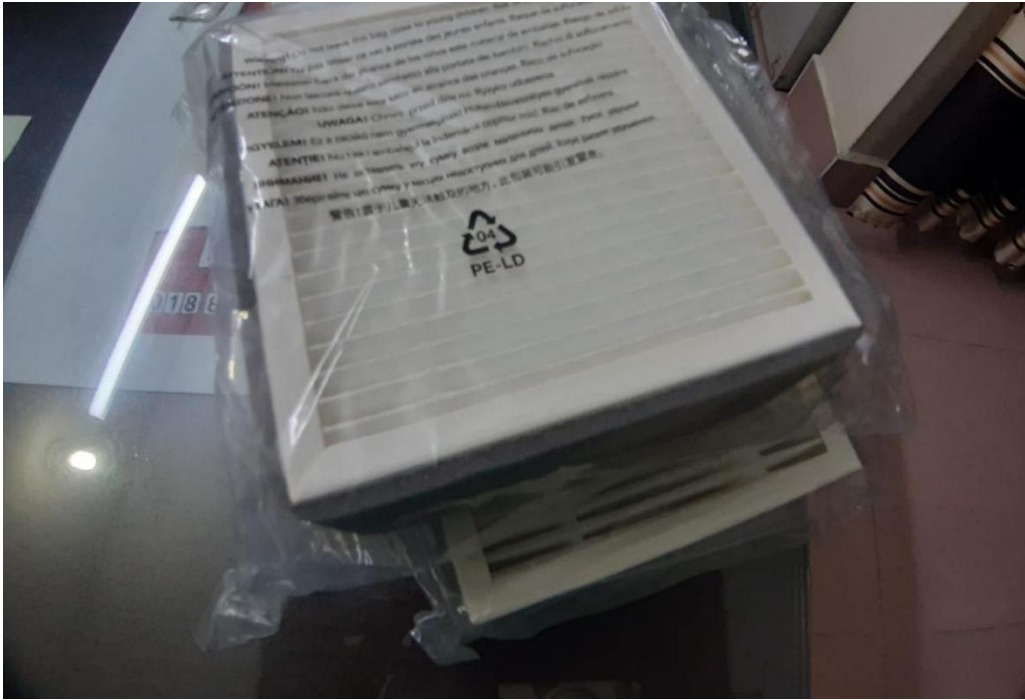


Figure 4.2: Air HEPA Filter



Figure 4.3: AC Exhaust Fan



Figure 4.4: Air Cylinder Structure



Figure 4.5: Exhaust Fan setup on Air Cylinder Structure

4.3 Our System Working Mechanism

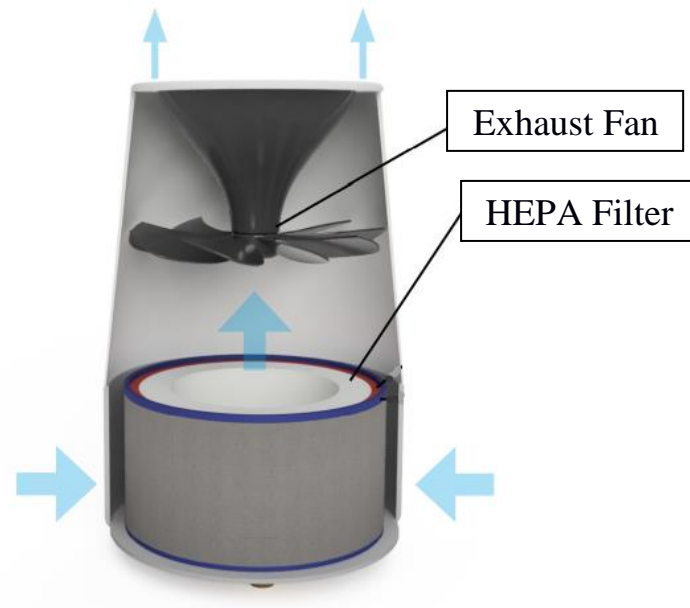


Figure 4.6: Our Final System Working Mechanism

4.4 Our Project Final Image



Figure 4.7: Our Final System Overview (Air Cylinder Structure)



Figure 4.8: Air Quality Monitoring Circuit

4.5 Working Principle

In this system we want to build an air purifier system. Which is mainly purify the dust air. Here we use an air cylindrical chamber, exhaust fan, HEPA filter, MQ 135 air quality monitoring system, metal base etc. The exhaust fan suck the air from surrounding air from down to upper situation. When the dust air inside the cylinder then the HEPA Filter will purify that air and pure air will blow in other side. In this side we will measure the air purity through a sensor which is MQ 135 air quality monitoring sensor. Here we can get the purify air from this system. This is the main procedure of our system.

CHAPTER 5

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

5.1 Discussion

While working on our project, we did face some difficulties as it is a very complex system but the end results, we came up with were quite satisfactory. We have put the whole system through several tasks to validate our work and also have taken necessary notes for future improvements. Some future recommendations that we have involves improvement in system design and wiring, adding features for more efficient.

We have tested the air purifier in different places of our university and different locations of Dhaka city. We found different values in different places. In every places we found the air quality unhealthy at the starting time. We have run the air purifier continuously 30 minutes in every place and note down the air quality after every 5 minutes. After running for some time our air purifier starts turning the polluted air into clean air. At some places the air quality was able to be brought to a healthy level and at some places the air quality was able to be brought to a moderate level in 30 minutes. In the classroom of our Sonargoan university the air quality was able to be brought to a healthy level within 25 minutes. By getting clean air, we can realize that our air purifier is working well.

After tested the air quality of different places of Dhaka our observation is Mirpur area more polluted than other places. And the air quality of our classroom of Sonargoan university is much better than other places.

5.2 Results

Now, it's time to talk about the results.

- When this project is run then the exhaust fan will be rotate and suck the air into the cylinder.
- Inside of the system the air will enter the down side of cylinder.
- Then the HEPA filter will purify the air and pass the upper side of cylinder.
- In upper side we measure the air purify with the MQ 135 air quality monitoring sensor.

5.3 Air Quality Detected at Different Places and Time

Time (in minutes)	Mechanical Lab of SU	Mechanical Class Room of SU	Dhanmondi-32	Mirpur-2	Nakhalpara
0	114	105	115	201	131
05	95	89	101	170	121
10	82	78	90	155	107
15	71	68	81	136	91
20	60	59	78	109	80
25	51	49	71	98	76
30	47	43	63	81	61

5.4 Data Graph

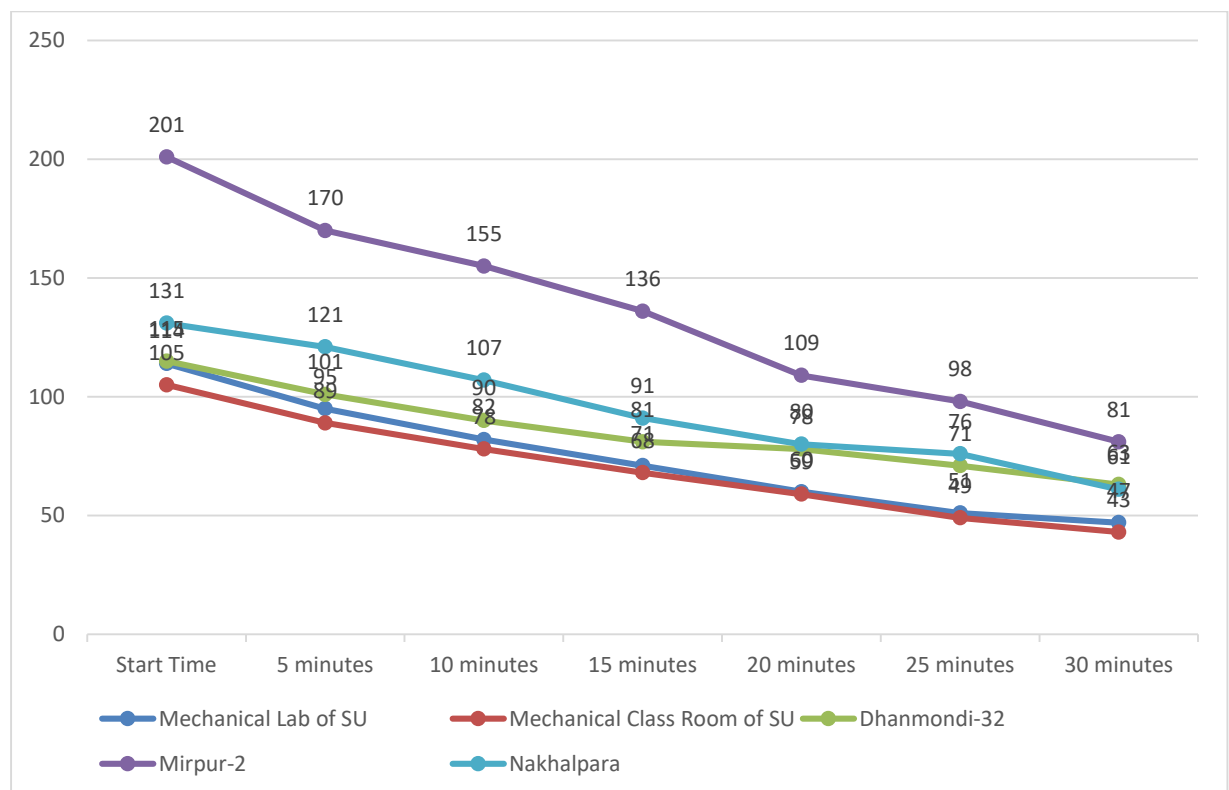




Figure 5.1: Air Quality Measuring After 5 Minutes



Figure 5.2: Air Quality Measuring After 30 Minutes

CHAPTER 6

CONCLUSION

6.1 Conclusion

Air cleaners (with HEPA filters) placed in the room chamber effectively reduced the PM concentration to a large extent whereas the concentrations of ions fluctuated. The purifying efficacy of both air purifiers was enhanced in the presence of candles and incense smoke and smaller particles were removed more efficiently as compared to larger ones. Still, PM concentrations were much higher than standards prescribed by national and international agencies that advocate the fact that source control is the best solution to deal with the problem of IAP rather than air purification. On a comparison basis, air purifier with greater CADR and coverage area was more effective on particulate pollution in general indoor air as well as candles and incense smoke support the fact of adoption of air purifier with higher coverage area (or CADR) for air filtration. Though it is a short-term study, it doesn't fully adhere specificity of ions in presence of an air purifier. So, long-term studies are needed to be conducted to clarify the specificity of ions release from air purifiers. For the sake of health safety, air purifiers with mechanical filters (as HEPA) must be used instead of that which releases ions for air purification.

6.2 Future Scope

There's room for improvement and thus, we have lots of future scope of work available to us for this project. Some of these are listed below:

- In future, we are thinking adding more feature on this system to more purify air.
- In future, we are thinking adding solar for power supply.
- In future, we are thinking about increase its working area.
- In future development this project can be develop by more measuring sensor.
- In the future we will add auto alarming system when need to change the filter.

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Appendix

Micro-Controller Program:

```
#include <LiquidCrystal_I2C.h>

LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x27 ,16,2);

const int mq135_aqi_sensor = A1;

int aqi_ppm = 0;

void setup() {

  // Set direction of input-output pins

  pinMode (mq135_aqi_sensor, INPUT);

  // Initiate serial and lcd communication

  Serial.begin (9600);

  lcd.init();

  lcd.backlight();

  lcd.begin(16,2);

  lcd.clear();

  Serial.println("AQI Alert System");

  lcd.setCursor(0, 0);

  lcd.print("AQI Alert System");

  delay(1000);
```

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}

void loop() {

  aqi_ppm = analogRead(mq135_aqi_sensor);

  Serial.print("Air Quality: ");

  Serial.println(aqi_ppm);

  lcd.setCursor(0, 0);

  lcd.print("Air Quality: ");

  lcd.print(aqi_ppm);

  if ((aqi_ppm >= 0) && (aqi_ppm <= 50))
  {
    lcd.setCursor(0, 1);

    lcd.print("AQI Good");

    Serial.println("AQI Good");
  }

  if ((aqi_ppm >= 51) && (aqi_ppm <= 100))
  {
    lcd.setCursor(0, 1);

    lcd.print("AQI Moderate");

    Serial.println("AQI Moderate");
  }
}

```

```
if ((aqi_ppm >= 101) && (aqi_ppm <= 200))
{
  lcd.setCursor(0, 1);
  lcd.print("AQI Unhealthy");
  Serial.println("AQI Unhealthy");
}
if ((aqi_ppm >= 201) && (aqi_ppm <= 300))
{
  lcd.setCursor(0, 1);
  lcd.print("AQI V. Unhealthy");
  Serial.println("AQI V. Unhealthy");
}
if (aqi_ppm >= 301)
{
  lcd.setCursor(0, 1);
  lcd.print("AQI Hazardous");
  Serial.println("AQI Hazardous");
}
delay (1000);
}
```