

Tire Pressure Monitoring System

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Abstract - Safety in our road trips has always been a major issue as well as an attraction to ambitious engineers. TPMS is one of such safety devices that provides with such safety by reducing the possibility of accidents due to unsafe driving conditions caused by mostly disastrous tire conditions. Tire Pressure Monitoring System – TPMS, because the name suggests, monitors the tire pressure of a vehicles and displays the results on the dashboard along with alerts in case of a deviation from the set or the desired or the standard value. In this project we've tried to lower the value and make the device versatile for the different kinds of vehicles and even in harsh environments. Our aim to have a design of the TPMS that is viable to all kinds of vehicles with tires and one which can be used as a unit in many industries and places where pressure measurement is vital and needs continuous update of values in order to successfully keep track of the so required values, which may be in vehicles of course, but also during or after the mass manufacturing of tires by industries, so that the desirable amount of standard set of values is met before the product is sold.

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1. INTRODUCTION

A tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS) is an electronic system designed to watch the atmospheric pressure inside the pneumatic tires on various types of vehicles. These vehicles may very well be the ones on cars, busses, bikes or even the new generation cycles. Our TPMS reports real-time tire- pressure information to the driving force of the vehicle, either via an accurate value or simply a low-pressure warning light or a beep.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

The main explanation for day to day increase within the rate of road accidents are tire inflammation due to low tire pressure. This technique is proposed to be for the security measures of the tire pressure. Tire pressure monitoring system is a real time electronic system which is employed to watch atmospheric pressure also as temperature of the tire. It displays

the atmospheric pressure on LCD panel or else if the level goes up or down, buzzer starts, if its applicable.[7]

Main motive of this wireless tire pressure monitoring system is to scale back car accidents monitoring durability of tire and increase life cycle of tire. The system contains Arduino using embedded C programming. Using [RFID] i.e., Radio frequency Identification wont to on the physical interface of system. Hence, this system helps to decrease the accident and also ensures long and secured lives.

The tire pressure monitoring system can be considered to be most viable and effective when wireless communication is used instead of extremely entangled and wired communication systems, as they are more prone to heating and damage. In paper [2], a wireless system for a TPMS has been discussed. Here, a transreceiver circuit can be effectively used. One with good range will transmit and receive the required details effectively.

In paper [3], TPMS system has been thoroughly discussed with extra applications like fuel detection. This increases the scope of the system immensely. However the accuracy of the system to detect tire pressures and temperature is extremely important and a direct system makes it accurate enough to give us appropriate values.

3. SIGNAL FLOW AND PROPOSED SYSTEM

In our project of TPMS, we have effectively managed to construct a system which will effectively and accurately help us to read and determine the values of the tire pressure and the tire temperature at any time, as and when we require. This has been done using Atmega328p along with nRFL01 transmitter receiver modules and BMP180 pressure sensor and our temperature sensor. The flow of the system is as follows.

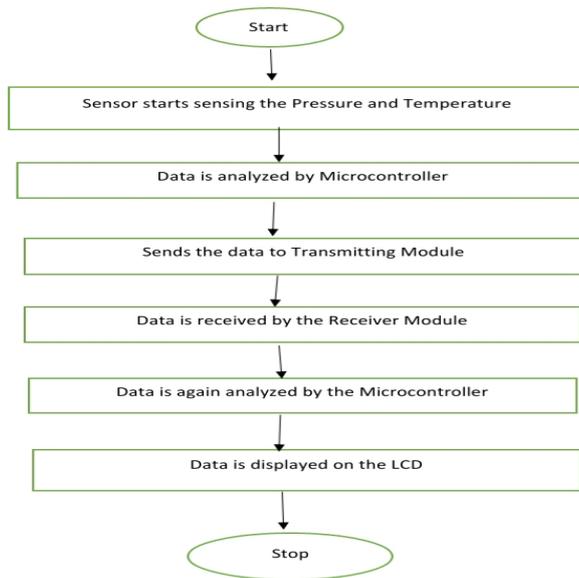


Fig -1: Flowchart

In this flowchart we see that as the sensors are placed near the tire, they sense the pressure and temperature. This data is sensed in an analog format which is further converted to a digital format using the microcontroller ADC. Using the transmitter on the transmission side, this data is further sent towards the receiver side. It is then received and read by the Atmega328p on the receiver side, that is, processes the data and it is further sent to the transmitter module which forwards it wirelessly to the receiver side. The receiver side consists of the LCD connected to the microcontroller along with the receiver module. It is again sent to the Atmega328p where it is converted into a human readable format and then displayed on the LCD.

4. BLOCK DIAGRAM AND WORKING

The diagram of the system is shown in Fig -1. The input modules are Temperature Sensor and Pressure Sensor which communicates with Atmega328p using various communication system. The result from the Atmega328p then goes to the transmitter module. Thus, from the transmitter it is forwarded wirelessly to the receiver side.

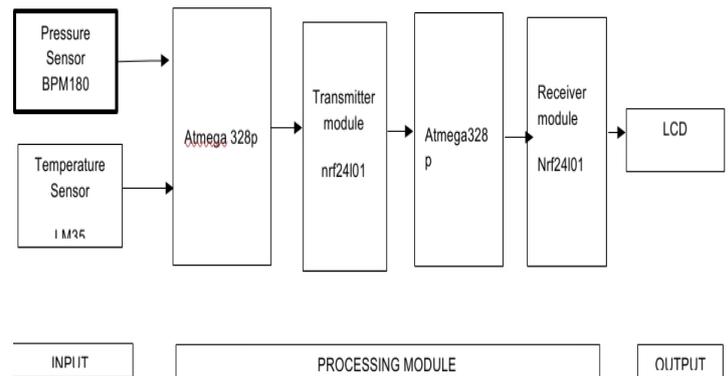


Fig -1: Block Diagram

The first step of the working is the sensors. The entire system consists of the transmitter side and the receiver side. The temperature sensor and the pressure sensor sense and detect the required values as they are placed near the tire and send it to the Atmega328p. The received analog signals are converted to a digital form and are processed according to the code as given as an input to the Atmega328p. These values are converted into a form that when read by the user can actually be understood. These values are further sent to the transmitter which are transferred to the receiver module and then to the Atmega328p yet again. The Atmega328p here is connected to the LCD where all these necessary values can be displayed. Here, the abc user or the driver or any concerned person can check the values and accordingly be prepared to change the tire before it's flat or is overinflated and leads to an accident. The awareness is successfully achieved.

5. HARDWARE IMPLEMENTATION

The below diagram represents the transmitter side of the system which transmits the input data to the microcontroller. As we can see in the image below, the sensors have been marked and the entire system has been soldered on the PCB and a power supply system to give apt levels of voltages has been appropriately setup.



Fig -2: Transmitter Module

Here we can see the receiver side of the system which outputs the data to the LCD.



Fig -3: Receiver Module



Fig 4: TPMS System

The above Fig 4 represents the whole system of tire pressure monitoring system.

6. CONCLUSION

In this project we are trying to build a device which helps to monitor the temperature and pressure of the respective tires. This project contains combination of techniques to implement a solution to measure time-to-time tire pressure and also provides required data to the driver through LCD display. This system should be required necessary in the vehicles. The system ensures measured tire pressure which is vital for preventing the problems which were thanks to Under-inflated tires like road accident's, etc.

7. FUTURE SCOPE

The RF in the system can be blocked or negatively affected by the ferrous content in tires which makes specially manufactured tires necessary. This system can further be enhanced into one where this is not a limitation leading to longer life, fuel saving, rolling resistance and ultimately environmentally green tires. Also, Independent TPMS system can be developed which makes it easy for people to switch from their typical tires to these safe ones even in their older cars.

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