

IoT Based an Aircraft Health Monitoring System

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ABSTRACT

We are propounding an Aircraft wellbeing observing framework utilizing IoT which will send the wellbeing status progressively to the base station and furthermore foresee item dependability. Basically we are supplanting a black box in an Airbus with this framework which ceaselessly sends every one of the parameters read and registered by the sensors on board to the base station utilizing IOT. It settles on better choice in basic conditions and to keep record for further investigation. It helps to make better decision in critical conditions and to keep record for further analysis. This system will also predict life span of an electronic device by using prognostic health management method. The proposed framework can be improved by utilizing fast and dependable web association in aircraft and by utilizing remote sensor will give better proficiency and decreased weight.

Keywords: IoT; Aircraft engine; Black box; Temperature sensor; Pressure sensor

INTRODUCTION

Aircraft maintenance is the performance of tasks required to ensure the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft or aircraft part, including overhaul, inspection, replacement, defect rectification, and the embodiment of modifications, compliance with airworthiness directives and repair. The maintenance of aircraft is highly regulated, in order to ensure safe and correct functioning during flight. In civil aviation national regulations are coordinated under international standards, established by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). The ICAO standards have to be implemented by local airworthiness authorities to regulate the maintenance tasks, personnel and inspection system. Maintenance staff must be licensed for the tasks they carry out. Aircraft maintenance in civil aviation generally organized using a maintenance checks system, which are periodic inspections that have to be done on an aircraft after a certain amount of time or usage. Airbus has indicated that data diagnostics could put an end to aircraft unscheduled grounding for fault repairs around 2025, supported by big data and operational experience. Predictive maintenance, diagnostics and health monitoring could eliminate unscheduled groundings, by making maintenance schedule intervals more frequent to avoid AOGs and the associated operational interruptions, ultimately eliminating them. Data or monitoring can tell that some parts do not need a scheduled check, but a full transition

to this model will need much greater experience. With more history, examples and regulatory confidence, the maintenance program and associated manuals could become a dynamic documents for each specific aircraft with maintenance schedule based on operational history of the aircraft. In conventional health monitoring of a commercial airbus will use Black Box, which keeps the record of the parameters read by on board sensors. This information is only available when the airbus is at ground. In case of fighter jet the Flight Test Instrumentation (FTI) is used for the first flight. Which consists of different LRU's (Line Replaceable Units) that includes power supply unit and a user electronics interface unit? The power supply unit consist of electronic circuits to generate power, converting and, conditioning the power generated. The user electronics interface unit consist of integrated circuits such as Programmable Logic Devices (PLD), memory, input and output units, Central Processing Unit, etc. The FTI data is tested to analyze the health status and working status of LRU's. So we propose an IoT based system⁴, which sends all the information to the base station in real time. This makes it easier and better in decision making. IoT can be defined as the communication between objects that are enabled with internet connectivity with a unique IP address. IoT provides low power, long/short range communication. It also gives efficiency over use of data to improve decision making. Innovations of IoT will leads to rapid improvement based on

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real world performance and this is cost effective comparatively. The Internet of Things (IoT) is a system of interrelated computing devices, mechanical and digital machines, objects, animals or people that are provided with unique identifiers (UIDs) and the ability to transfer data over a network without requiring human-to-human or human-to-computer interaction. In the consumer market, IoT technology is most synonymous with products pertaining to the concept of the "smart home", covering devices and appliances (such as lighting fixtures, thermostats, home security systems and cameras, and other home appliances) that support one or more common ecosystems, and can be controlled *via* devices associated with that ecosystem, such as smartphones and smart speakers.

PROPOSED SYSTEM

The decision support system senses the relevant temperature and pressure values and automatically sends the data to user. The quantities of different remote sensors are conveyed in a flying machine to screen various parameters, for example, temperature, pressure, fuel level pointer, accelerometer,

RADALT, nose wheel sensor, pilot stick sensor, movement sensor, Ailerons sensor and so forth. The sensors will keep track of the scenario and record the parameters and sent to the

interfaced computing microcontroller. The cockpit display may have web page or GUI to see these parameters. Due to IoT we have all the parameters read by sensors at base station in the web page. These data to be stored in the server or memory module for further analysis of time to failure of a LRU or a device. Since we have the real time data of aircraft health in case of bad weather and failed communication through radar, the base station authority can guide the aircraft through IoT by analyzing the available read parameters (Figure 1).

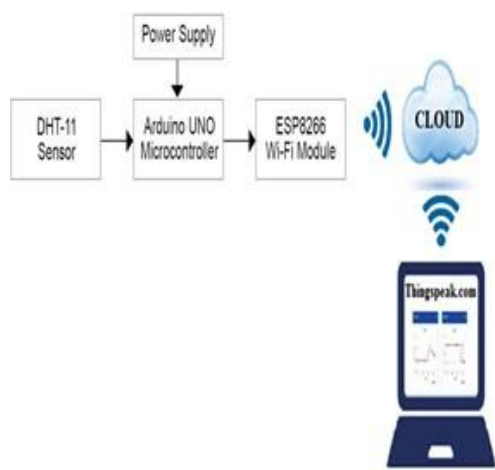


Figure 1: Monitoring and controlling system.

SENSOR DATA DESCRIPTION

The aircraft gas turbine engine's RUL is closely connected with its condition. To monitor the condition, several kinds of signals can be used, such as temperature, pressure, speed, and air ratio. In this study, 21 sensors were installed in the aircraft engine's different components (Fan, LPC, HPC, LPT, HPT, Combustor, and Nozzle) to monitor the aircraft engine's health conditions.

The 21 sensory signals, as detailed in were obtained from the above-mentioned sensors. Of these 21 sensory signals, some signals have little or no degradation information, whereas others have quite a lot, and some sensor data are also contaminated with measurement noise. To improve the RUL prediction accuracy and efficiency for the aircraft gas turbine engine health prognostics, important sensory signals must be carefully selected to characterize the degradation behavior.

INTEGRATION TEMPERATURE SENSOR TO CLOUD

The purpose of this system is to build an Internet of Thing application that performs the temperature sensing using DHT11 sensor on arduino sending data to the cloud of the platform. Send Data to ThingSpeak with Arduino Beginning

So as to send information to Thing Speak utilizing an Arduino, you need an system with arduino availability should be either installed or with a shield. There is an official library for Thing Speak and we require Arduino 1.6. This library should be introduced and utilized by the Arduino gadget so as to send information to Thing Speak utilizing one of our models. Thing Speak utilizing arduino ThingSpeak requires a user account and a channel. A channel is where you send data and store data. Each channel has nearly 8 data fields, location fields, and a status field. The data values have been sent for every 15 seconds to Thing Speak, but most applications work well every minute.

- Sign up for new User Account
- The new Channel has been created by selecting Channels-My Channels-and then select the New Channel.
- Write and Read AP key will be assigned to your channel.
- Give the AP key in arduino program in the specified space.
- The API information required for Thing Speak is available in the documentation itself.

Install Thing Speak Communication Library from Arduino Software. In the Arduino IDE, choose Sketch/Include Library/Manage Libraries. Select the Thing Speak Library from the list in the Library manager and click Install then it has been installed.

Setup Arduino Sketch

For Arduino sketch the examples of Thing Speak library has been given directly in the Arduino software. They are designed in a way that they work right away without any sort of changes. In order to make the examples program to work with Thing Speak channel, the my channel Number and variables are yet to be configured. The Write Single Field Arduino sketch gets the data and fills it to a channel on Thing Speak at regular period of time. Loading the program into the Arduino IDE (Figure 2). Choose the right Arduino board and COM port. At that point, RUN the code to your Arduino board.

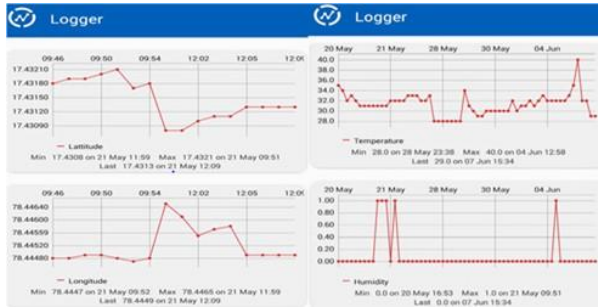


Figure 2: The write single field arduino sketch.

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