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A Review on Pre-Heart Attack Detection Using WBAN

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ABSTRACT

The remote Body Area Sensor nodes are very much affective and hence contribute to this project by making it more efficient.

The added features of low operating power and wireless communication have made the design and patient monitoring to a simplified version.

Due to its low operating power and less communication the idea of zero maintenance is deployed.

This system was developed for the earlier detection of Heart Attack in human body.

Though, numerous models were in existence, they are not practically suitable or considered hence this system is an efficient version.

Hence we have a proposed a system for Pre-Heart Attack detection of a patient. The earlier stages of heart attack include - increased heart beat rate, excessive sweating, increased blood pressure.

Keywords: Body Area Sensor, Pre-Heart Attack Detection, Sweating, Blood Pressure.

I. INTRODUCTION

Even though a person seems to be of normal health, cardiac attacks are unpredictable and require immediate attention and medication. It might be difficult and impossible to arrange for a rescue at time of emergency.

Hence we have a proposed a system for Pre-Heart Attack detection of a patient.

The earlier stages of heart attack include - increased heart beat rate, excessive sweating, increased blood pressure. With the help of piezoelectric sensor & sweat sensor, the abnormalities in a patient's body are

sensed & an alert signal is sent to the caretaker, ambulance & hospital.

This helps in timely arrangement & helps in reducing the death rate due to heart attack. The sensed parameter is transmitted wirelessly making it error free, less costly as compared to other communication system.

The main advantage of our project is that here we have created a key of communication b/w patient to the nearby node. This unique key ensures that in presence of another patient no disturbance is introduced.

The Remote Body Area sensor nodes are non invasive which contributes which makes the project more efficient in prototype design. The idea of adding features of low operating power & wireless transmission makes patient monitoring simpler.

Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs) are used for monitoring different types of parameters in various applications like environment monitoring applications e.g. checking temperature, humidity etc., habitat monitoring, combat zone, farming field checking, air pollution monitoring, nuclear power plant observing and railway industry monitoring applications. Sensors nodes are used in wireless sensor networks for collecting the data, which are the main unit of wireless sensor networks. These sensors are placed in detecting area to screen field. WBAN is new rising subfield of WSN. The main use of WBAN is well being examination. In WBAN, remote sensors are placed on the human body or fixed in the body to monitor essential signs like heartbeat rate, body temperature, etc. Utilization of WBAN innovation to monitor wellbeing parameters significantly decreases the consumptions of patient in health centre. Through the help of WBAN innovation, patients are observed at home for more periods. Sensors constantly sense information and forward to medicinal server. In WBANs, sensor hubs are worked with partial vitality source. It's needed to utilize least power for transmission information from sensing element hubs to sink. We propose a high throughput, dependable and stable directing convention for WBAN. Sensors for ECG or graphical record and Glucose level are set close to the sink. Each of these sensors have basic data of patient and required least constriction, high unwavering quality and long life thusly; these sensors dependably transmit their information specifically to sink. Different sensors take after their protector hub and transmit their information to sink through forwarder hub. It spares

vitality of hubs and system works for more periods. Mainly two varieties of devices can be distinguished: The sensors are used to measure certain parameters of the human body, either externally or internally. Examples include measuring the heartbeat, body temperature or recording a prolonged electrocardiogram (ECG). The data is then sensed E.g., the Pulse sensor and Temperature & Humidity sensor measures the measure the heartbeat rate and temperature attached to the patient's body. Interaction with the user or other persons is usually handled by a personal device, e.g. a smart phone which acts as a sink for data of the wireless devices.

II. APPLICATION OF WBAN

The major applications are healthcare, control and automation, home and office, environmental monitoring, logistics and transportation, security and surveillance, tourism and leisure, education and training and entertainment. The BAN applications are broadly divided into following categories. Medical applications include collecting various information of a patient and forward it to a monitoring centre for further analysis. BAN can also be used to help disable people. For example, retina prosthesis chips can be implanted in the human eye to see at an adequate level. Presently BANs are widely used for entertainment purpose, which includes 3D video and Games. Further the BANs are used for sports, in which sensors in BAN can collect coordinates movements of different parts of the body and subsequently make the movement of a character in the game, e.g., moving soccer player or capturing the intensity of a ball in table tennis. Last but not the least miscellaneous applications those include forgotten things monitoring, data file transfer and social networking applications. For better functionality authors discussed about the target system that has a scalable platform that requires

minimum human interaction during setup and monitoring.

III. SYSTEM REQUIREMENT

In order to make a WBAN useful and practical, some essential requirements have to be satisfied. These requirements are strongly related to the specific application. In our case study, the WBASN architecture must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Length of monitoring:

The cardiac activity needs to be monitored for an extended period especially for aged people suffering from cardiac arrhythmia. Long-term analyses on ECGs are required to predict eventual heart attacks. The application must allow continuous monitoring.

2. Reliability:

The reliability of measurements and message delivery to healthcare professionals is necessary, due to potentially life threatening episodes.

3. Power Management:

Sensor nodes have low power capacity and are assumed to be dead when they are out of power. The system must save energy especially when the aged subject is outside.

4. Time synchronization:

Each sensor runs at its own clock and has a different sample frequency. Accordingly time synchronization between sensors is needed.

5. Message delivery:

Vital signs are delivered within a certain time determined by the level of emergency. The architecture should allow real-time delivery of emergency vital signs for both indoor and outdoor surroundings. Messages carrying emergency vital signs require least delays.

6. Frequency of signal transmission and the amount of information:

Important questions are how often data has to be transmitted and how much data. In our application the physiological data is acquired for an extended period (8 hours for example) and downloaded to the base station in real time. The system ensures periodic transmission of regular vital signs and instant transmission of urgent messages. The application data traffic is determined by the sample frequency and digitization method.

7. Buffer management:

In the outdoor environment, the regular vital signs are stored. Buffering data may result in a buffer run over due to capacity restrictions. This may lead to data loss or temporal application termination [9].

8. Scalability:

The architecture should balance well in terms of the number of patients and the number of sensors on each patient.

IV. WBAN ARCHITECTURE

WBAN architecture is divided into three following levels:

1. Level 1: Sensing or data collecting part.
2. Level 2: Data transmission.
3. Level 3: Data analyzing.

Figure 1 shows secure 3-level WBAN architecture for medical and non-medical applications.

Level 1: Sensing or data collecting part

Level 1 contains in body and on-body BAN Nodes (BNs) such as Electrocardiogram (ECG) – used to measure the heartbeat rate, temperature and humidity sensor used to measure the body temperature

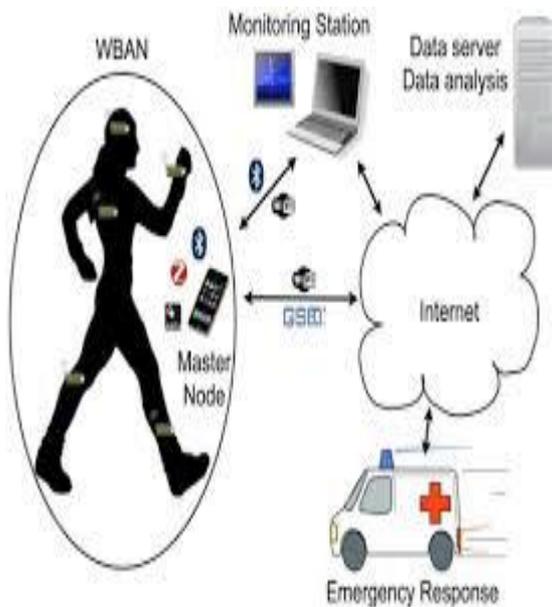


Figure 1. Wban Architecture

Level 2: Data transmission

Level 2 contains a BAN Network Coordinator (BNC) that gathers patient's vital information from the BNs and communicates with the base-station.

Level 3: Data analyzing

Level 3 contains a number of remote base-stations that keep patient's medical/non-medical records and provides significant (diagnostic) recommendations. The traffic is divided into on demand, emergency, and normal traffic. On-demand traffic is processed by the BNC to obtain certain data. Emergency traffic is processed by the BNs when they exceed a predefined threshold. Normal traffic is the data traffic in a normal condition with no time critical and on-demand events. The data is immediately sent wirelessly to patients caretaker, doctor, and ambulance.

V. CONCLUSION

In this paper current research is reviewed on Wireless Body Area Network in Healthcare

monitoring. WBAN is being very useful technology with many benefits for medical applications, patients and society by continuous monitoring and early detection of diseases. Here we have overcome cross communication in case two patients (having nodes attached to their bodies) come close to each other. Through this project the data sent is highly secured. WBAN is the type of wireless network which consists of low powered for calculating and monitoring the physiological parameters. Basically, WBAN consists of two types of sensing units: one wearable and another one which is fixed inside the human body. After this data is transmitted to the base station, which is the data analyzing part.

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