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ABSTRACT

Agriculture is a profession of many tedious processes and practices, one of which is the spraying of pesticides in the fields. Worldwide there are about 250,000 species of plants. Farmers spray pesticides to mitigate crop damage caused by pests. A pest is any biological organism, including weeds, pathogens, and arthropods, that interferes with the production of crops affecting quality and yield. Insect pests can have large and irreversible effects on crops and yields, which can impact consumers through higher crop prices. The conventional methods are a person carrying a sprayer and manually actuating a lever to generate pressure and pump the pesticide through a tube or a mobile vehicle carrying an inbuilt compressor and sprayer unit which has to be manually driven by a human operator. Major drawback in human operated systems is that the operator is exposed to the harmful chemicals while spraying. Long term exposure, as in this case, can be extremely detrimental to the operator's health. This is a project which can be viewed as an alternate to these methods. In this project a remote controller is used to operate the pesticide sprayer. The vehicle is powered using an onboard solar powered battery which brings down the running cost. The control of the vehicle is achieved using an inbuilt microcontroller unit which is programmed to operate according to the receive instructions from the remote controller.