DEVELOPMENT OF COMPUTERIZED RESTRICTED ENTRY SYSTEM USING MAGNETIC STRIP READER AND PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this project is to develop a computerized restricted entry system using magnetic strip reader and personal identification number. This project utilizes the magnetic stripe system which is very popular in the world of finance and security to be utilize as a restricted entry system. The system uses a computer as its main brain to control the flow of person inside and outside of a building. The computer also controls the alarm, door, sensors and etc. that are installed in a building. This project is very important for a crowded building where the system will keep trace of the movement of every personnel.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Magnetic stripe is the favourite child of the data processing industry . Directly derived from the application of a strip of magnetic tape to documents in daily use , it promises to support large amounts of data at low cost and to capture and update it with ease .

The magnetic stripe was first used in the late 60's . A few years later the magnetic stripe was an established technology adopted on a large scale by the financial industry ,by some large mass transit systems, in the most advanced access control ,time and attendance and production control systems , and it was also a proposed standard for the retail industry.

1.2 The Magnetic Stripe

The magnetic stripe is a thin layer of gamma iron oxide or barium ferrite applied to a paper or plastic support by thermal transfer from magnetic tape or in ink form. Gamma iron oxide has a coercivity of 300 Oersted, barium ferrite of 4,000 Oersted. The coercive force is a measure of the magnetic field required to magnetise or record data.

Normal stripes are made of iron oxide particles which can be magnetised by applying a magnetic field of coercivity Hci = 300 Oersted.