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## Abstract

The rapid proliferation of Internet of Things (IoT) devices in smart homes has introduced critical vulnerabilities regarding data privacy and security. Conventional cloud-centric architectures often expose sensitive user data to third-party risks, necessitating a shift toward secure, edge-based solutions. This research presents “IoTShield”, a comprehensive privacy-preserving home automation framework that integrates the lightweight MQTT protocol with Generative AI for intelligent anomaly detection. The system utilizes a hybrid edge-computing architecture featuring ESP32 microcontrollers and Raspberry Pi gateways to process data locally. To ensure robust privacy, a dual-layer Differential Privacy mechanism using Gaussian noise is applied, complemented by end-to-end RSA-2048 encryption for secure transmission. For anomaly detection, the system integrates a local Large Language Model (Llama 3.2:1B) to analyze sensor patterns and generate context-aware alerts with explainable insights. Experimental results from over 13,000 sensor readings demonstrate that the system achieves an end-to-end latency of under 2 seconds and successfully classifies anomalies across four severity levels (Low to Critical). This study confirms that combining local GenAI with cryptographic privacy mechanisms preserves data sovereignty while delivering a highly responsive and secure smart home environment.

**Keywords:** IoT Security, MQTT Protocol, Generative AI, Llama 3.2, Anomaly Detection, Differential Privacy, RSA Encryption, Edge Computing, Smart Home Automation

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## List of Abbreviations

AES	Advanced Encryption Standard
AI	Artificial Intelligence
API	Application Programming Interface
CPU	Central Processing Unit
CSE	Computer Science and Engineering
DoS	Denial of Service
ESP32	Espressif Systems 32-bit Microcontroller
GenAI	Generative Artificial Intelligence
GPIO	General Purpose Input/Output
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
IDE	Integrated Development Environment
IoT	Internet of Things
IP	Internet Protocol
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation
JWT	JSON Web Token
LED	Light Emitting Diode
LLM	Large Language Model
LDR	Light Dependent Resistor
MQTT	Message Queuing Telemetry Transport
PIR	Passive Infrared Sensor
QoS	Quality of Service
RAM	Random Access Memory
REST	Representational State Transfer
RSA	Rivest–Shamir–Adleman (Encryption Algorithm)
SMTP	Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
SSL	Secure Sockets Layer
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
TLS	Transport Layer Security
UI	User Interface
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
Wi-Fi	Wireless Fidelity

# List of Symbols

$M$	Plaintext Message
$C$	Ciphertext (Encrypted Message)
$K_{pub}$	Public Key
$K_{priv}$	Private Key
$e$	Public Exponent (RSA)
$d$	Private Exponent (RSA)
$n$	Modulus (RSA)
$\mu$	Mean Value (Gaussian Distribution)
$\sigma$	Standard Deviation
$\epsilon$	Privacy Budget / Noise Parameter
$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$	Gaussian (Normal) Distribution
$T$	Temperature Sensor Reading
$H$	Humidity Sensor Reading
$G$	Gas Sensor Value
$L_{lat}$	System Latency
$P(x)$	Probability of an Event
$V_{in}$	Input Voltage
$R$	Resistance
$t$	Time / Timestamp
$\Delta$	Difference / Change in Value
$\theta$	Threshold Value for Anomaly Detection
$Hz$	Hertz (Frequency Unit)
$dB$	Decibel (Signal Strength Unit)
$bps$	Bits Per Second

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## **Appendix A**

# **Appendix**