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Laboratory Exercise 2
Information transfer with MQTT and HTTP using JSON

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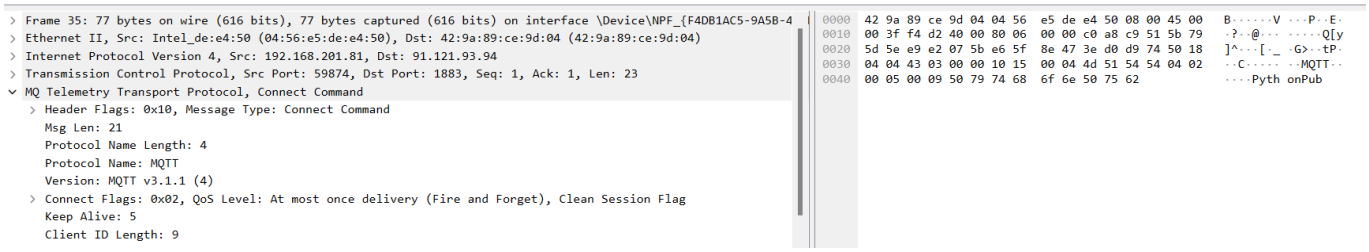

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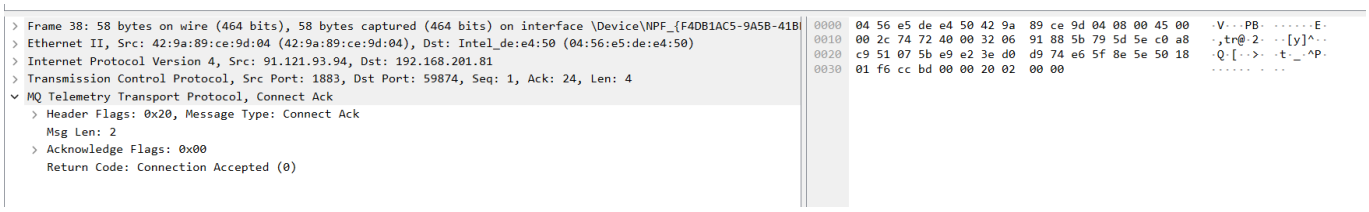

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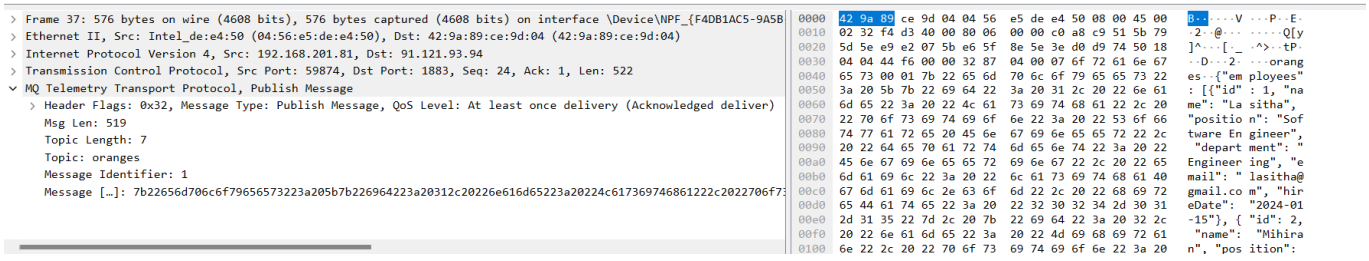

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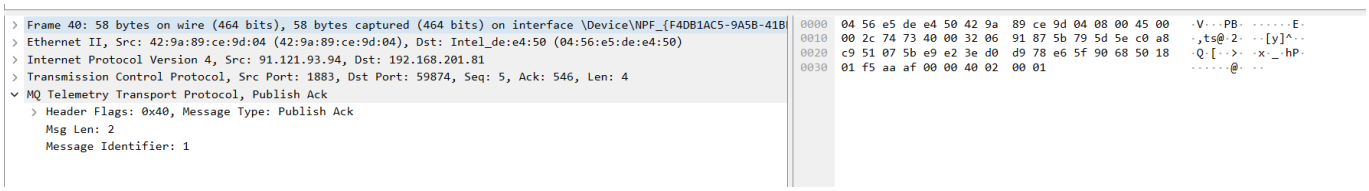

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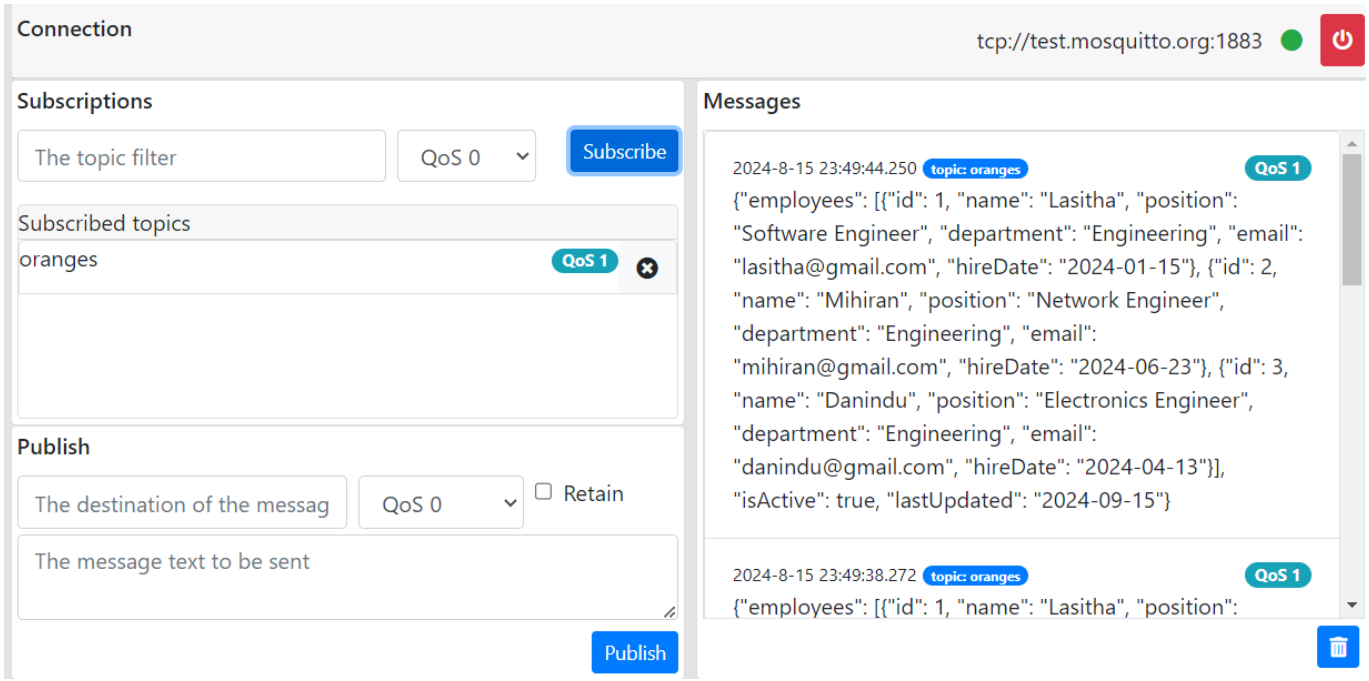

Figure 6: Test Client

MQTT Packet Structure

MQTT packets, including PUBLISH messages, are typically small. Each PUBLISH message contains:

- **Topic Name**: "oranges"
- **Message Payload**: The payload is formatted in JSON.
- **QoS Level**: The Quality of Service level is set to 1, which ensures that the message is delivered at least once.

Payload Inspection

The JSON payload appears as part of the MQTT packet's payload. JSON data is observed as a string within the PUBLISH message.

Message Size

The size of MQTT messages is small compared to typical HTTP messages. This compact size is a significant advantage of MQTT, making it suitable for scenarios with limited bandwidth or where efficiency is critical.

Network Traffic

When the script runs, multiple PUBLISH messages are observed. Each message is timestamped, allowing tracking of the frequency of message publication and monitoring of network traffic over time.

Code

```python
from paho.mqtt import client as mqtt_client
import paho.mqtt.client as mqtt
import json
import time

# Callback when the client connects to the MQTT broker
def on_connect(client, userdata, flags, rc):
    if rc == 0:
        print("Connected to MQTT broker\n")
    else:
        print("Connection failed with code {rc}")

# Create an MQTT client instance
client = mqtt.Client(mqtt_client.CallbackAPIVersion.VERSION1,"PythonPub")

# Set the callback function
client.on_connect = on_connect

broker_address = "test.mosquitto.org"  # broker's address
broker_port = 1883
keepalive = 5
qos = 1
publish_topic = "oranges"

# Connect to the MQTT broker
client.connect(broker_address, broker_port, keepalive)

# Start the MQTT loop to handle network traffic
client.loop_start()

# Publish loop

read_file_name = "data.json"
with open(read_file_name) as json_file:
            sensor_out= json.load(json_file)

print ("sensor_out is a ", type(sensor_out))
data_out=json.dumps(sensor_out)

# Data to send (JSON format)
# data = {
#     "device_id": "sensor_001",
#     "timestamp": "2024-09-12T10:00:00Z",
#     "temperature": 22.5,
#     "humidity": 55
# }

# json_payload = json.dumps(data)

try:
    while True:
        # Publish a message to the send topic

        #value = input('Enter the message: ')
        client.publish(publish_topic,data_out,qos)
        print(f"Published message '{data_out}' to topic '{publish_topic}'\n")

        # Wait for a moment to simulate some client activity
        time.sleep(6)

except KeyboardInterrupt:
```

```
    # Disconnect from the MQTT broker
    pass
client.loop_stop()
client.disconnect()

print("Disconnected from the MQTT broker")
```

Listing 1: Publisher Code

2 MQTT Subscriber

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Lengtl	Info
81	10.364314	192.168.201.81	91.121.93.94	MQTT	77	Connect Command
83	10.671123	91.121.93.94	192.168.201.81	MQTT	58	Connect Ack
84	10.671983	192.168.201.81	91.121.93.94	MQTT	68	Subscribe Request (id=1) [oranges]
85	10.978729	91.121.93.94	192.168.201.81	MQTT	59	Subscribe Ack (id=1)
106	14.981107	192.168.201.81	91.121.93.94	MQTT	56	Ping Request
111	15.381653	91.121.93.94	192.168.201.81	MQTT	56	Ping Response

Figure 7: Subscriber Wireshark

Figure 8: Subscriber Connect Command

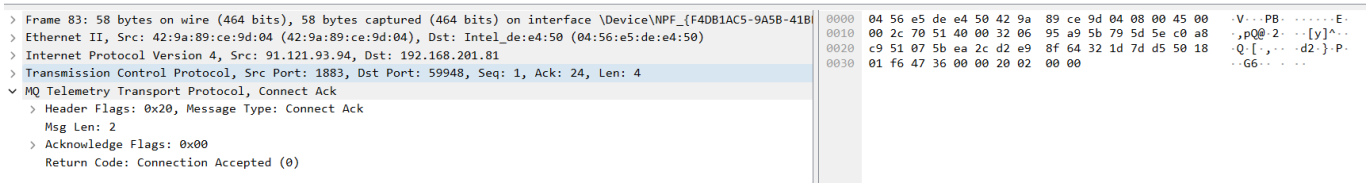

Figure 9: Subscriber Connect ACK

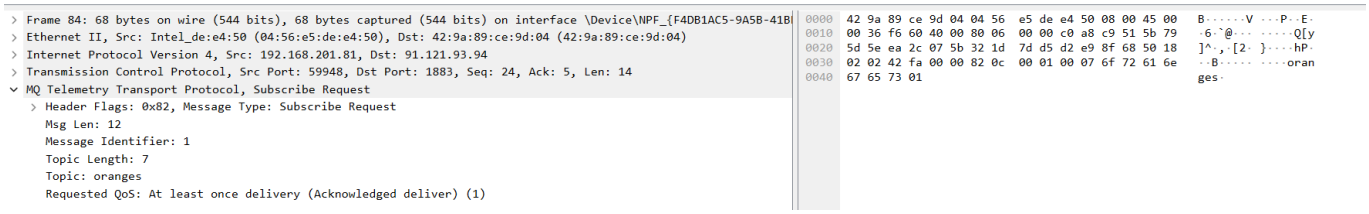

Figure 10: Subscribe Request

Figure 11: Subscribe ACK

MQTT Packet Structure

MQTT packets, including SUBSCRIBE messages, are typically small. Each SUBSCRIBE message includes:

- **Topic Name**: "oranges"
- **QoS Level**: The Quality of Service level is set to 1, which ensures that the message is delivered at least once.

Payload Inspection

The JSON payload appears as part of the MQTT packet's payload. The JSON data received in SUBSCRIBE messages is observed as a string within the PUBLISH message.

Message Size

The size of MQTT SUBSCRIBE messages, is small compared to typical HTTP messages. This compact size is beneficial, especially in scenarios with limited bandwidth or where efficiency is crucial.

Network Traffic

Multiple PUBLISH messages are observed, each related to the subscribed topic. Each message is timestamped, allowing for tracking of message reception frequency and monitoring of network traffic over time.

Code

```python
from paho.mqtt import client as mqtt_client
import paho.mqtt.client as mqtt
import json
import time

# Callback when the client connects to the MQTT broker
def on_connect(client, userdata, flags, rc):
    if rc == 0:
        print("Connected to MQTT broker")
        client.subscribe(subscribe_topic,qos)  # Subscribe to the receive topic
    else:
        print("Connection failed with code {rc}")
write_file_name = "sensor_received.json"

# Callback when a message is received from the subscribed topic
def on_message(client, userdata, msg):
    print ("Message received " + "on "+ subscribe_topic + ": "  +
       str(msg.payload.decode("utf-8")))
    recieved = str(msg.payload.decode("utf-8"))
    sensor_in=json.loads(recieved) #convert incoming JSON to object
    print ("recieved is a ", type(recieved))
    print ("\nHumidity = ", sensor_in["humidity"])
    with open(write_file_name, 'w') as json_file:
        json.dump(sensor_in, json_file, indent=4)  # The 'indent' parameter adds
           pretty formatting
        print("Data has been written to", write_file_name)

# Create an MQTT client instance
client = mqtt.Client(mqtt_client.CallbackAPIVersion.VERSION1,"PythonSub")

# Set the callback functions
client.on_connect = on_connect
client.on_message = on_message

# Connect to the MQTT broker
broker_address = "test.mosquitto.org"  # broker's address
broker_port = 1883
keepalive = 5
qos = 1

# subscribe_topic = input ('Enter the topic to subscribe to: ')
subscribe_topic = "oranges"
client.connect(broker_address, broker_port, keepalive)

# Start the MQTT loop to handle network traffic
client.loop_start()

# Subscribe loop
try:
    while True:
        time.sleep(6)

except KeyboardInterrupt:
    # Disconnect from the MQTT broker
    pass
client.loop_stop()
client.disconnect()

print("Disconnected from the MQTT broker")
```

Listing 2: Subscriber Code

3 Weather Information from OpenWeather

Code

```python
import requests

# Your OpenWeather API key (replace with your actual key)
api_key = "d77718b52619d73c26d0cb1f2e3ef25e"

for i in range(5):
    # City for which you want weather data
    city = input("Enter the city:")

    # API URL
    url = f"http://api.openweathermap.org/data/2.5/weather?q={city}&appid=
    {api_key}&units=metric"

    # Send a GET request to the API
    response = requests.get(url)

    # Parse the JSON response
    weather_data = response.json()

    # Check if the response is valid
    if response.status_code == 200:
        # Print city and weather information
        print(f"City: {weather_data['name']}")
        print(f"Temperature: {weather_data['main']['temp']} C")
        print(f"Weather: {weather_data['weather'][0]['description']}")
        print(f"Humidity: {weather_data['main']['humidity']}%")
        print(f"Wind Speed: {weather_data['wind']['speed']} m/s")
        print( )

    else:
        print(f"Error fetching weather data: {weather_data.get('message',
            'Unknown error')}")
```

Listing 3: Openweather Code

When user enters a city, this constructs a URL to make a GET request to the OpenWeather API, retrieves the weather data in JSON format, and parses this data to extract key details like temperature, weather description, humidity, and wind speed and prints them.

```
Enter the city:Colombo
City: Colombo
Temperature: 25.08 C
Weather: broken clouds
Humidity: 83%
Wind Speed: 5.68 m/s

Enter the city:Kandy
City: Kandy
Temperature: 21.88 C
Weather: broken clouds
Humidity: 89%
Wind Speed: 1.53 m/s

Enter the city:Jaffna
City: Jaffna
Temperature: 28.36 C
Weather: few clouds
Humidity: 82%
Wind Speed: 6.59 m/s

Enter the city:New York
City: New York
Temperature: 21.82 C
Weather: clear sky
Humidity: 75%
Wind Speed: 0.89 m/s

Enter the city:Tokyo
City: Tokyo
Temperature: 32.87 C
Weather: scattered clouds
Humidity: 59%
Wind Speed: 8.75 m/s
```

Figure 12: Weather Information

4 Homework : Node-RED dashboard for displaying data from OpenWeatherMap

4.1 Node-RED Flow Explanation

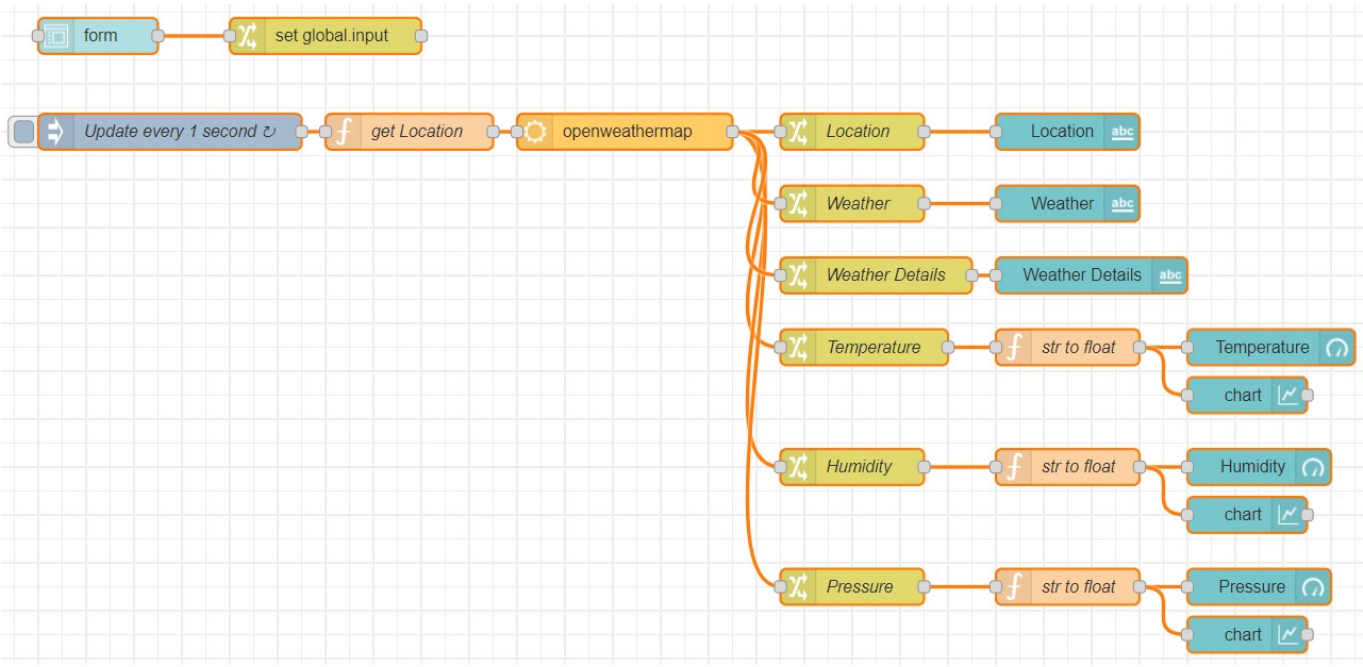

Figure 13: Subscribe Request

1. **User Form Input**:
   - An `ui_form` node captures city and country inputs from the user.
   - A `change` node then sets these inputs as global variables for access throughout the flow.
2. **Weather Data Fetching**:
   - An `inject` node triggers the flow every second.
   - A `function` node named "get Location" fetches the location from the global variables and passes it to the `openweathermap` node.
   - The `openweathermap` node uses these location details to make API calls to fetch current weather data.
3. **Data Processing**:
   - Several `change` nodes extract specific pieces of data from the API response: temperature, location, weather conditions, humidity, and pressure.
   - These nodes set the extracted data to `msg.payload` for further processing.
4. **Data Conversion**:
   - Multiple `function` nodes labeled "str to float" convert string data (like temperature and humidity) into float values suitable for graphical representation.
5. **Dashboard Output**:
   - `ui_gauge` nodes create gauge displays for temperature, humidity, and pressure.

- `ui_text` nodes display textual information about the location, weather, and weather details.
- `ui_chart` nodes provide line charts to display the changes in temperature, humidity, and pressure over time based on the repeated API calls.

4.2 Dashboard Explanation

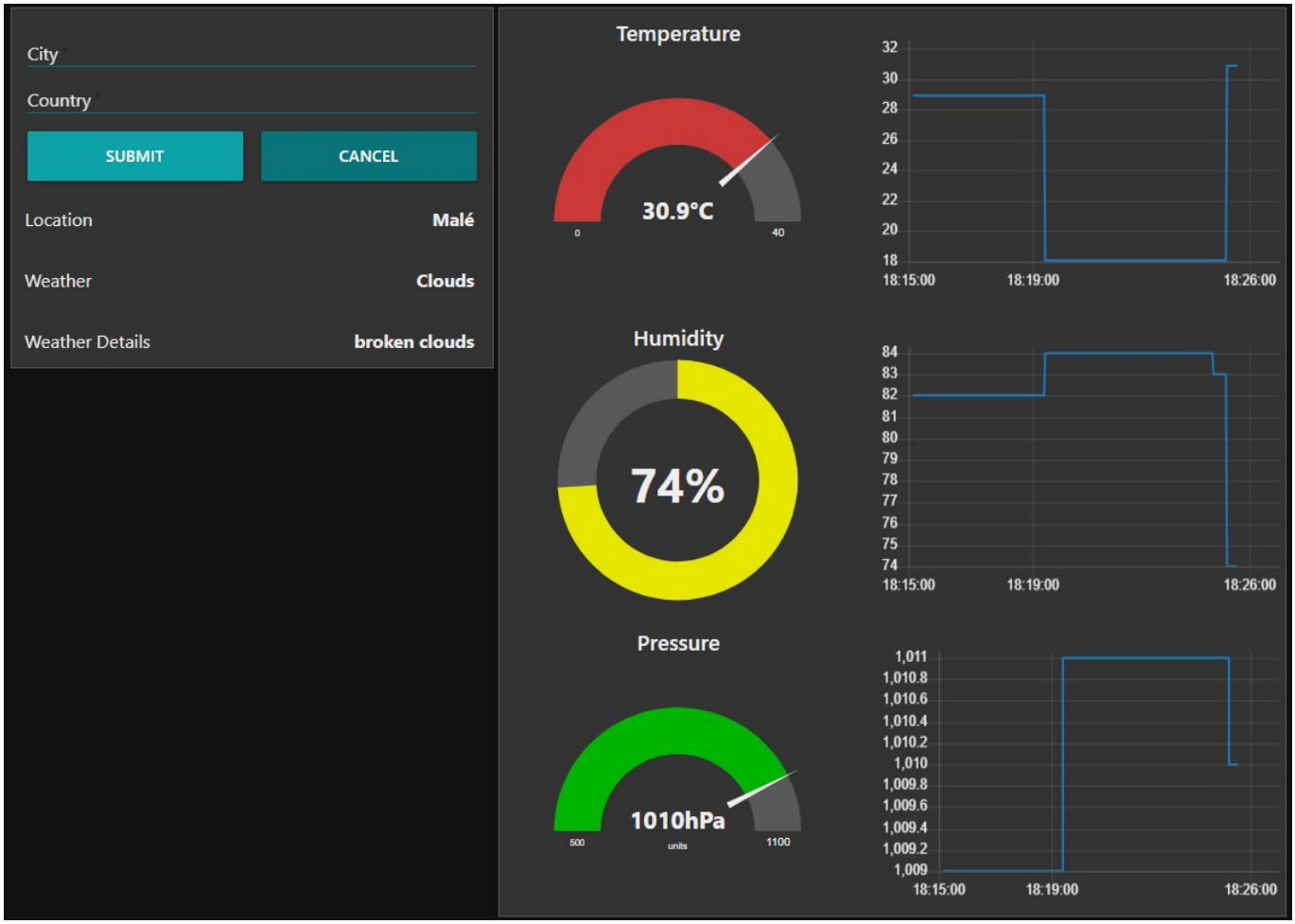

Figure 14: Subscribe Request

1. **Form for Input**:
   - Allows entry of city and country to fetch specific weather data.
2. **Dynamic Data Display**:
   - **Location**: Displays the current location as fetched by the API.
   - **Weather Overview**: Shows basic weather conditions and detailed descriptions.
   - **Temperature Gauge**: Visual representation of the current temperature.
   - **Humidity Gauge**: Shows current humidity levels.
   - **Pressure Gauge**: Indicates the atmospheric pressure.
   - **Graphs**: Line charts update every second to show trends in temperature, humidity, and pressure based on continuous data fetching.