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Laboratory Exercise 2 Information transfer with MQTT and HTTP using JSON

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1 MQTT Publisher

35	7.281670	192.168.201.81	91.121.93.94	MQTT	77 Connect Command
37	7.577684	192.168.201.81	91.121.93.94	MQTT	576 Publish Message (id=1) [oranges]
38	7.577818	91.121.93.94	192.168.201.81	MQTT	58 Connect Ack
40	7.987208	91.121.93.94	192.168.201.81	MQTT	58 Publish Ack (id=1)
62	12.010515	192.168.201.81	91.121.93.94	MQTT	56 Ping Request
64	12.390706	91.121.93.94	192.168.201.81	MQTT	56 Ping Response

Figure 1: Publisher Wireshark

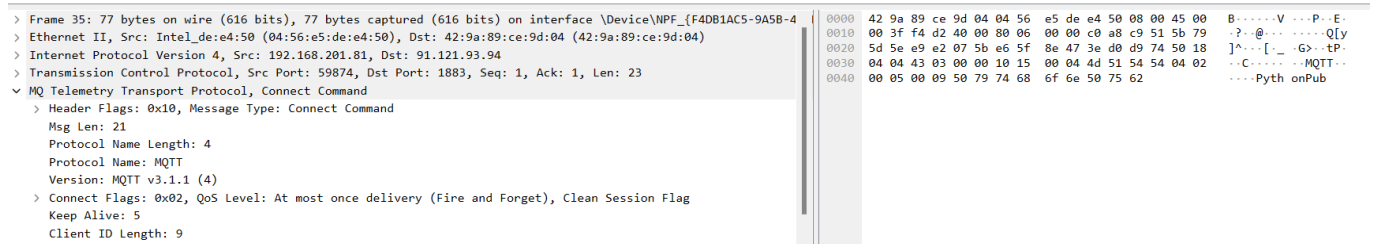


Figure 2: Publisher Connect Command



Figure 3: Publisher Connect ACK

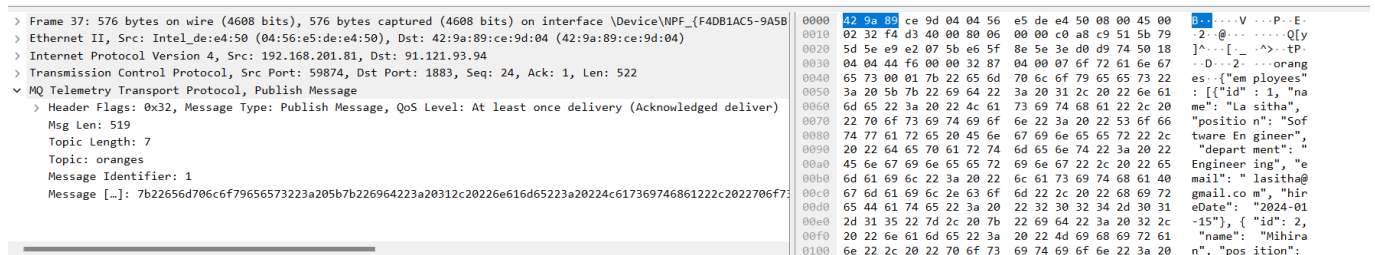


Figure 4: Publish Message



Figure 5: Publish ACK

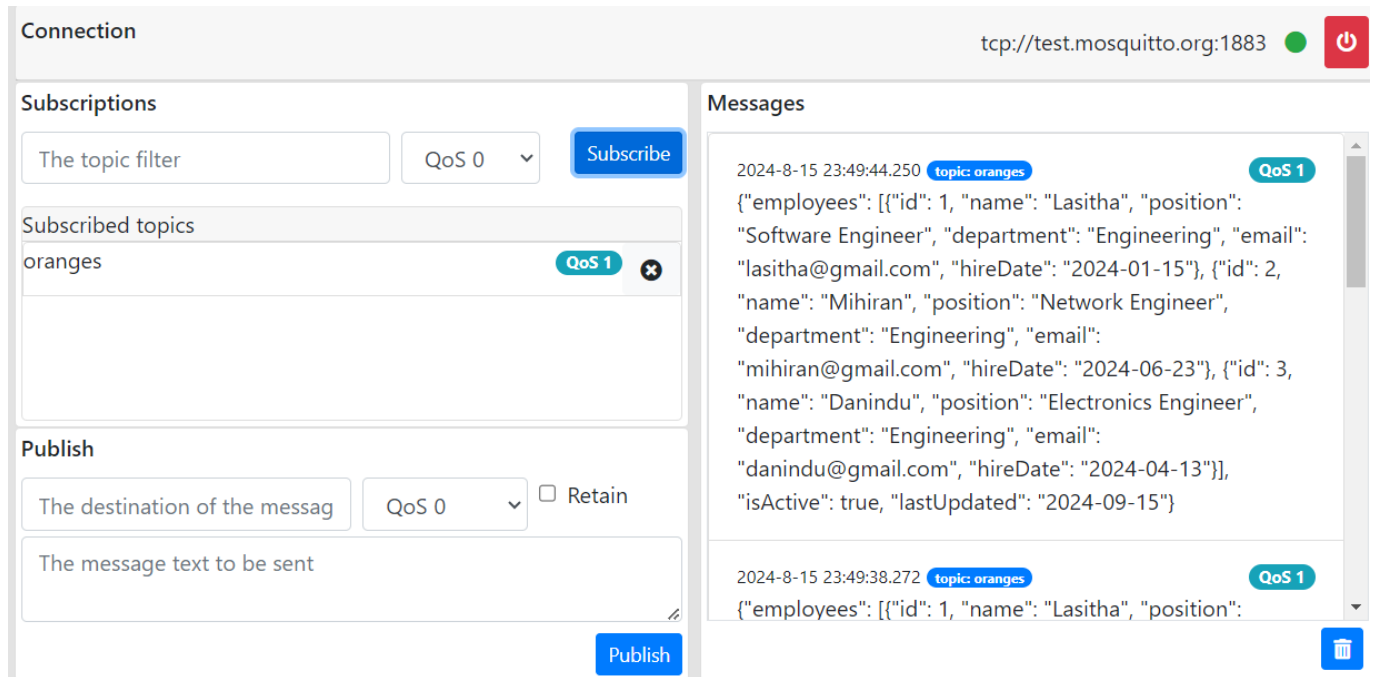


Figure 6: Test Client

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

```
1 from paho.mqtt import client as mqtt_client
2 import paho.mqtt.client as mqtt
3 import json
4 import time
5
6 # Callback when the client connects to the MQTT broker
7 def on_connect(client, userdata, flags, rc):
8     if rc == 0:
9         print("Connected to MQTT broker\n")
10    else:
11        print("Connection failed with code {rc}")
12
13 # Create an MQTT client instance
14 client = mqtt.Client(mqtt_client.CallbackAPIVersion.VERSION1, "PythonPub")
15
16 # Set the callback function
17 client.on_connect = on_connect
18
19 broker_address = "test.mosquitto.org" # broker's address
20 broker_port = 1883
21 keepalive = 5
22 qos = 1
23 publish_topic = "oranges"
24
25 # Connect to the MQTT broker
26 client.connect(broker_address, broker_port, keepalive)
27
28 # Start the MQTT loop to handle network traffic
29 client.loop_start()
30
31 # Publish loop
32
33 read_file_name = "data.json"
34 with open(read_file_name) as json_file:
35     sensor_out= json.load(json_file)
36
37 print ("sensor_out is a ", type(sensor_out))
38 data_out=json.dumps(sensor_out)
39
40 # Data to send (JSON format)
41 # data = {
42 #     "device_id": "sensor_001",
43 #     "timestamp": "2024-09-12T10:00:00Z",
44 #     "temperature": 22.5,
45 #     "humidity": 55
46 # }
47
48 # json_payload = json.dumps(data)
49
50 try:
51     while True:
52         # Publish a message to the send topic
53
54         #value = input('Enter the message: ')
55         client.publish(publish_topic, data_out, qos)
56         print(f"Published message '{data_out}' to topic '{publish_topic}'\n")
57
58         # Wait for a moment to simulate some client activity
59         time.sleep(6)
60
61 except KeyboardInterrupt:
```

```
62     # Disconnect from the MQTT broker
63     pass
64 client.loop_stop()
65 client.disconnect()
66
67 print("Disconnected from the MQTT broker")
```

Listing 1: Publisher Code

2 MQTT Subscriber

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	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

> Frame 81: 77 bytes on wire (616 bits), 77 bytes captured (616 bits) on interface \Device\NPF_{F4DB1AC5-9A5B-41B8-8D31-F65F40000006}		0000	42 9a 89 ce 9d 04 04 56 e5 de e4 50 08 00 45 00	B.....V...P..E
> Ethernet II, Src: Intel_de:e4:50 (04:56:e5:de:e4:50), Dst: 42:9a:89:ce:9d:04 (42:9a:89:ce:9d:04)		0010	50 31 f6 5f 40 00 00 06 00 00 c0 a8 c9 51 5b 79Q[y
> Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.201.81, Dst: 91.121.93.94		0020	5d 5e ea 2c 07 5b 32 1d 7d be d2 e9 8f 64 50 18]^.,[2.}....-dp
> Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 59948, Dst Port: 1883, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 23		0030	02 02 43 03 00 00 10 15 00 04 dd 51 54 54 04 02	..C.....MQTT..
> MQ Telemetry Transport Protocol, Connect Command		0040	00 05 00 09 50 79 74 68 6f 6e 53 75 62Pyth onSub
> Header Flags: 0x10, Message Type: Connect Command				
> Msg Len: 21				
> Protocol Name Length: 4				
> Protocol Name: MQTT				
> Version: MQTT v3.1.1 (4)				
> Connect Flags: 0x02, QoS Level: At most once delivery (Fire and Forget), Clean Session Flag				
> Keep Alive: 5				
> Client ID Length: 9				

Figure 8: Subscriber Connect Command

> Frame 83: 58 bytes on wire (464 bits), 58 bytes captured (464 bits) on interface \Device\NPF_{F4DB1AC5-9A5B-41B8-8D31-F65F40000006}		0000	04 56 e5 de e4 50 42 9a 89 ce 9d 04 08 00 45 00	V...PB.....E
> Ethernet II, Src: 42:9a:89:ce:9d:04 (42:9a:89:ce:9d:04), Dst: Intel_de:e4:50 (04:56:e5:de:e4:50)		0010	00 2c 70 51 40 00 32 06 95 a9 5b 79 5d 5e c0 a8	..pQ@.2...[y]^..
> Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 91.121.93.94, Dst: 192.168.201.81		0020	c9 51 07 5b ea 2c d2 e9 8f 64 32 1d 7d d5 50 18	Q[.,...d2.}~P
> Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 59948, Dst Port: 1883, Seq: 1, Ack: 24, Len: 4		0030	01 f6 47 36 00 00 20 02 00 00	..G6.....
> MQ Telemetry Transport Protocol, Connect Ack				
> Header Flags: 0x20, Message Type: Connect Ack				
> Msg Len: 2				
> Acknowledge Flags: 0x00				
> Return Code: Connection Accepted (0)				

Figure 9: Subscriber Connect ACK

> Frame 84: 68 bytes on wire (544 bits), 68 bytes captured (544 bits) on interface \Device\NPF_{F4DB1AC5-9A5B-41B8-8D31-F65F40000006}		0000	42 9a 89 ce 9d 04 04 56 e5 de e4 50 08 00 45 00	B.....V...P..E
> Ethernet II, Src: Intel_de:e4:50 (04:56:e5:de:e4:50), Dst: 42:9a:89:ce:9d:04 (42:9a:89:ce:9d:04)		0010	00 36 f6 60 40 00 00 06 00 00 c0 a8 c9 51 5b 79	..6~@.....Q[y
> Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.201.81, Dst: 91.121.93.94		0020	5d 5e ea 2c 07 5b 32 1d 7d d5 d2 e9 8f 68 50 18]^.,[2.}....-hp
> Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 59948, Dst Port: 1883, Seq: 24, Ack: 5, Len: 14		0030	02 02 42 fa 00 00 82 0c 00 01 00 07 6f 72 61 6e	..B.....oranges
> MQ Telemetry Transport Protocol, Subscribe Request		0040	67 65 73 01	
> Header Flags: 0x82, Message Type: Subscribe Request				
> Msg Len: 12				
> Message Identifier: 1				
> Topic Length: 7				
> Topic: oranges				
> Requested QoS: At least once delivery (Acknowledged deliver) (1)				

Figure 10: Subscribe Request

> Frame 85: 59 bytes on wire (472 bits), 59 bytes captured (472 bits) on interface \Device\NPF_{F4DB1AC5-9A5B-41B8-8D31-F65F40000006}		0000	04 56 e5 de e4 50 42 9a 89 ce 9d 04 08 00 45 00	V...PB.....E
> Ethernet II, Src: 42:9a:89:ce:9d:04 (42:9a:89:ce:9d:04), Dst: Intel_de:e4:50 (04:56:e5:de:e4:50)		0010	00 2d 70 52 40 00 32 06 95 a7 5b 79 5d 5e c0 a8	..pR@.2...[y]^..
> Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 91.121.93.94, Dst: 192.168.201.81		0020	c9 51 07 5b ea 2c d2 e9 8f 68 32 1d 7d e3 50 18	Q[.,...h2.}~P
> Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 59948, Dst Port: 1883, Seq: 5, Ack: 38, Len: 5		0030	01 f6 d6 20 00 00 90 03 00 01 01
> MQ Telemetry Transport Protocol, Subscribe Ack				
> Header Flags: 0x90, Message Type: Subscribe Ack				
> Msg Len: 3				
> Message Identifier: 1				
> Granted QoS: At least once delivery (Acknowledged deliver) (1)				

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

```

1 from paho.mqtt import client as mqtt_client
2 import paho.mqtt.client as mqtt
3 import json
4 import time
5
6 # Callback when the client connects to the MQTT broker
7 def on_connect(client, userdata, flags, rc):
8     if rc == 0:
9         print("Connected to MQTT broker")
10        client.subscribe(subscribe_topic, qos) # Subscribe to the receive topic
11    else:
12        print("Connection failed with code {rc}")
13 write_file_name = "sensor_received.json"
14
15 # Callback when a message is received from the subscribed topic
16 def on_message(client, userdata, msg):
17     print ("Message received " + "on " + subscribe_topic + ": " +
18           str(msg.payload.decode("utf-8")))
19     recieved = str(msg.payload.decode("utf-8"))
20     sensor_in=json.loads(recieved) #convert incoming JSON to object
21     print ("recieved is a ", type(recieved))
22     print ("\nHumidity = ", sensor_in["humidity"])
23     with open(write_file_name, 'w') as json_file:
24         json.dump(sensor_in, json_file, indent=4) # The 'indent' parameter adds
25         pretty formatting
26         print("Data has been written to", write_file_name)
27
28 # Create an MQTT client instance
29 client = mqtt.Client(mqtt_client.CallbackAPIVersion.VERSION1, "PythonSub")
30
31 # Set the callback functions
32 client.on_connect = on_connect
33 client.on_message = on_message
34
35 # Connect to the MQTT broker
36 broker_address = "test.mosquitto.org" # broker's address
37 broker_port = 1883
38 keepalive = 5
39 qos = 1
40
41 # subscribe_topic = input ('Enter the topic to subscribe to: ')
42 subscribe_topic = "oranges"
43 client.connect(broker_address, broker_port, keepalive)
44
45 # Start the MQTT loop to handle network traffic
46 client.loop_start()
47
48 # Subscribe loop
49 try:
50     while True:
51         time.sleep(6)
52 except KeyboardInterrupt:
53     # Disconnect from the MQTT broker
54     pass
55 client.loop_stop()
56 client.disconnect()
57 print("Disconnected from the MQTT broker")

```

Listing 2: Subscriber Code

3 Weather Information from OpenWeather

Code

```
1 import requests
2
3 # Your OpenWeather API key (replace with your actual key)
4 api_key = "d77718b52619d73c26d0cb1f2e3ef25e"
5
6 for i in range(5):
7     # City for which you want weather data
8     city = input("Enter the city:")
9
10    # API URL
11    url = f"http://api.openweathermap.org/data/2.5/weather?q={city}&appid={api_key}&units=metric"
12
13    # Send a GET request to the API
14    response = requests.get(url)
15
16    # Parse the JSON response
17    weather_data = response.json()
18
19    # Check if the response is valid
20    if response.status_code == 200:
21        # Print city and weather information
22        print(f"City: {weather_data['name']}")
23        print(f"Temperature: {weather_data['main']['temp']} C")
24        print(f"Weather: {weather_data['weather'][0]['description']}")
25        print(f"Humidity: {weather_data['main']['humidity']}%")
26        print(f"Wind Speed: {weather_data['wind']['speed']} m/s")
27        print( )
28    else:
29        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

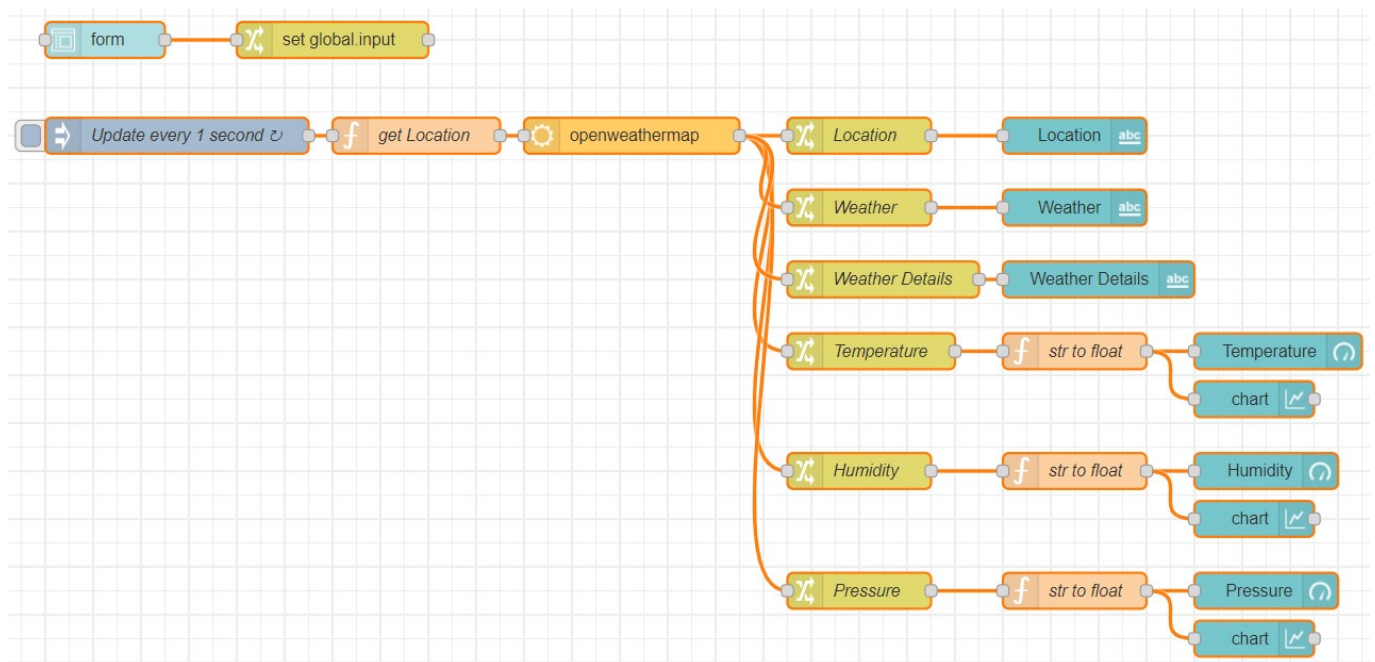


Figure 13: Subscribe Request

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

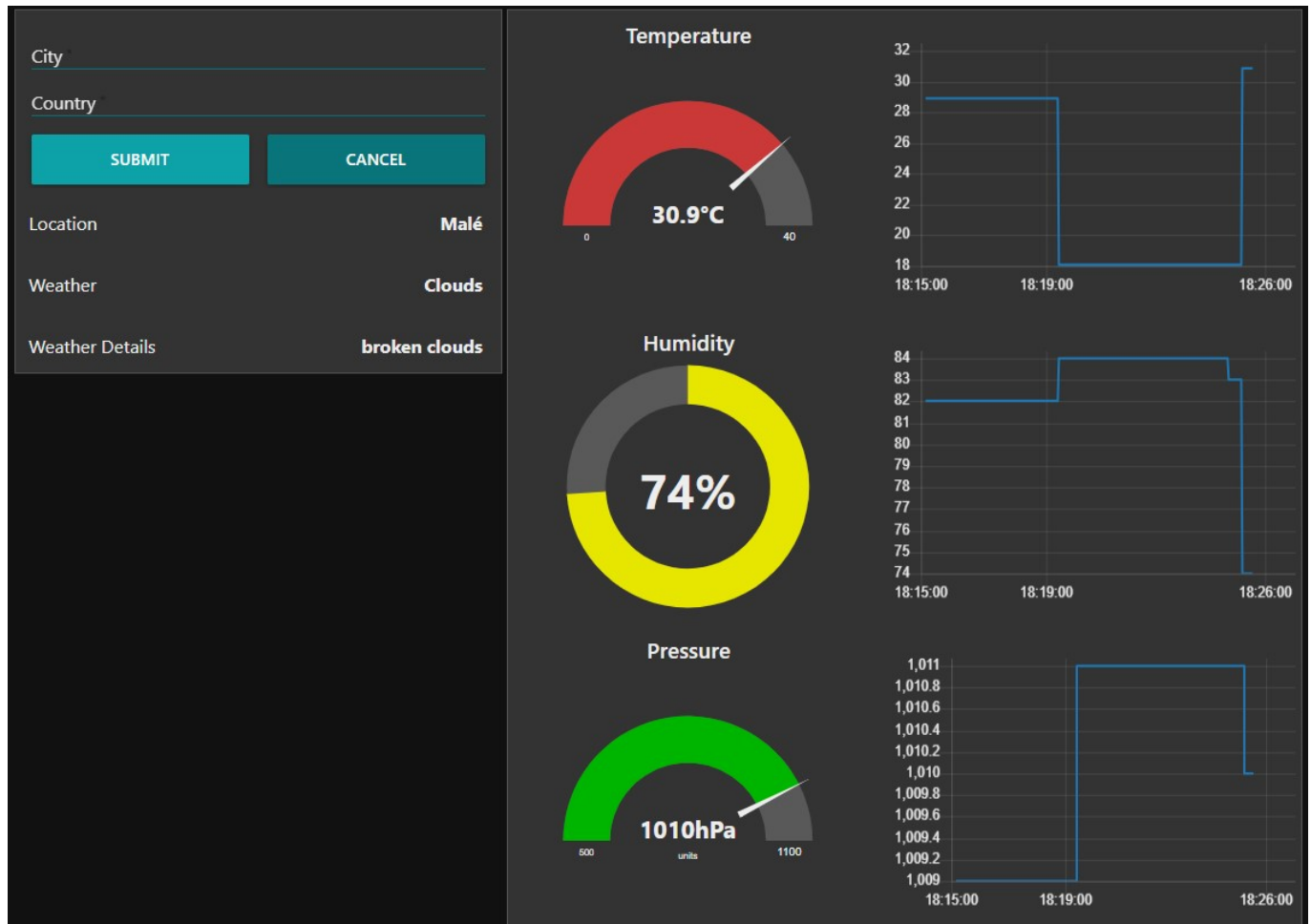


Figure 14: Subscribe Request

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.