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Team name - Glofsense

Problem Statement Title - Early warning detection system for Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOFs) using sensor data

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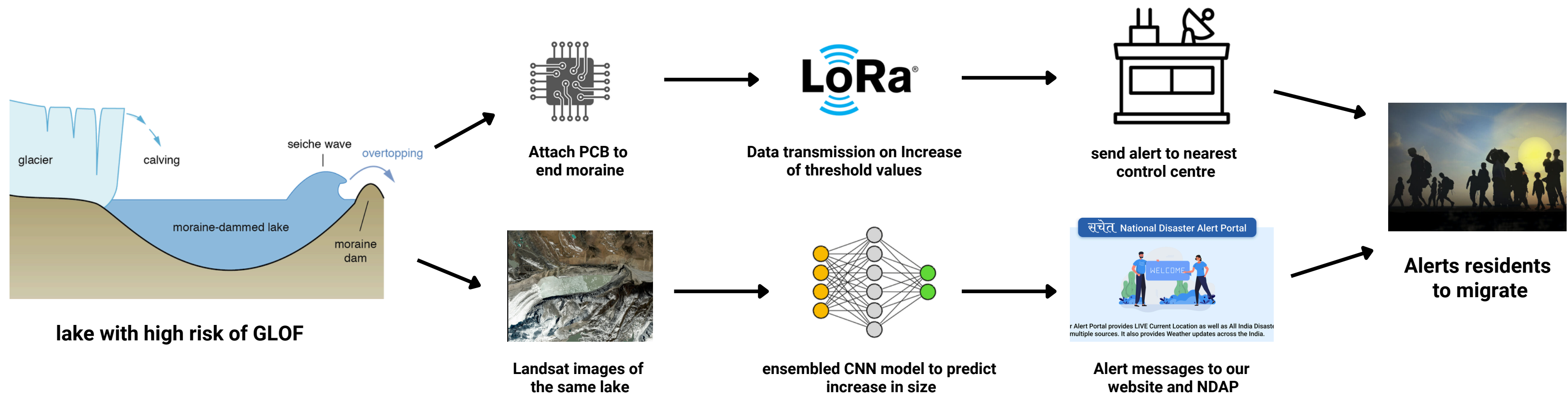
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- Our Idea is make a web interface (glofsense.com) for early prediction of GLOFs in **Hindukush and Sikkim region. (189 lakes)**
- We use a integrated approach of **Sensor attachment to end moraines** and **ML Prediction of outburst based on Landsat Images**.
- For sensor detection, we developed a **PCB** with **water level, temperature, flow, tilt and pressure sensors** coupled with hybrid battery and LORA that last for **14 years**.
- The ML model trains by time-series data of lake images from 1980 - 2022 by **LSTM model** to predict the increase in size.
- Upon increase in threshold, the data will be transmitted to nearest control center and buzzer to alert residents.

Real time workflow (overview):

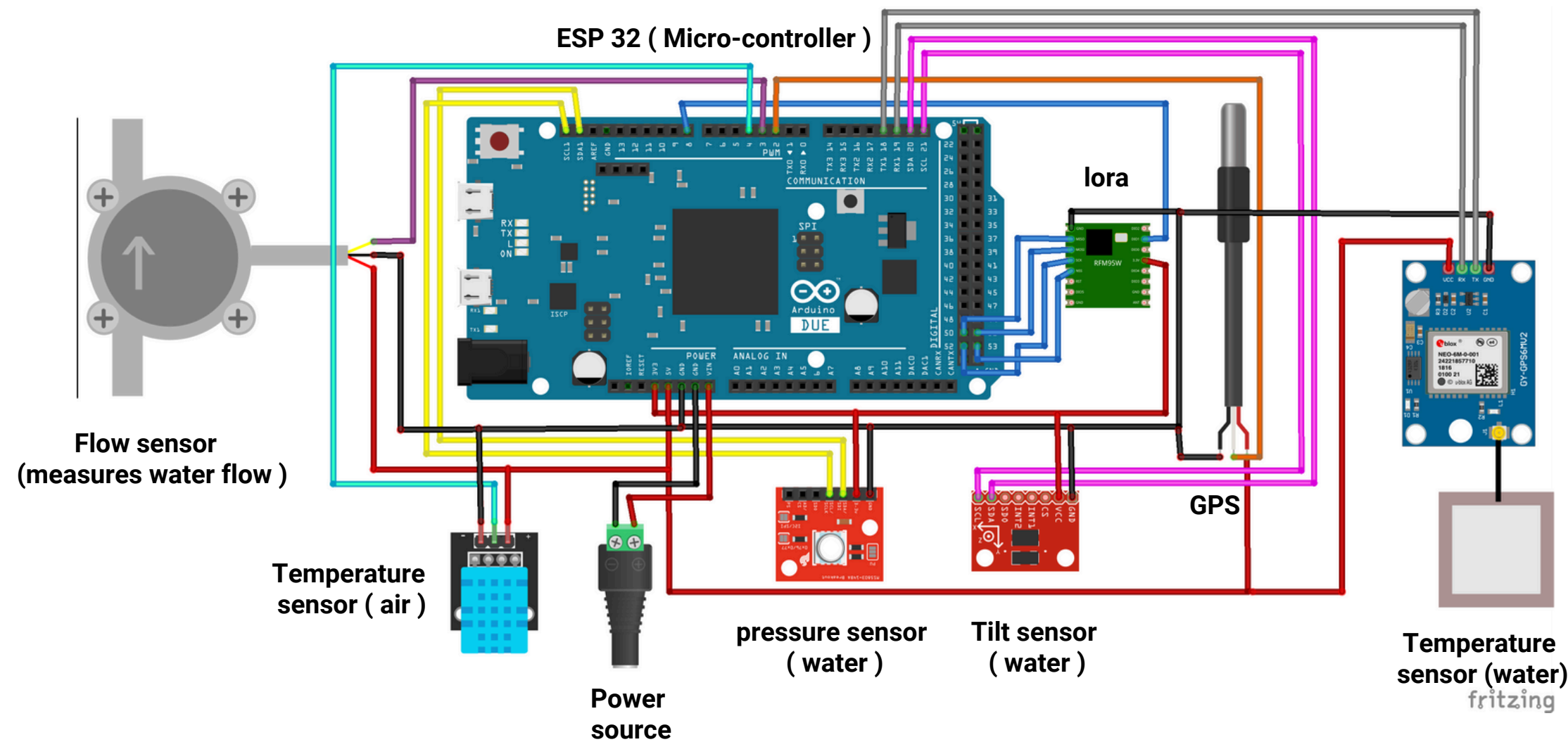


Technical Approach

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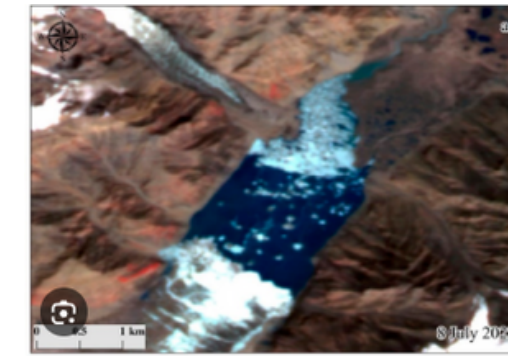


Circuit Architecture :

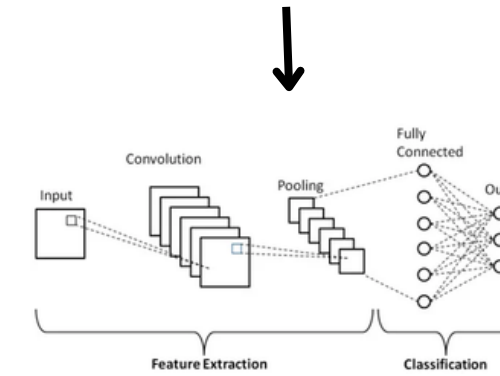


- The circuit will be printed as an **waterproof PCB** and attached to end moraines of GLOF lakes.
- The PCB will transmit **real time data to the nearest control centre** which is of **5 - 12 km range**.
- Installation of these PCBs can be done through **drones** to remote lakes and the whole setup weighs around **550g**.

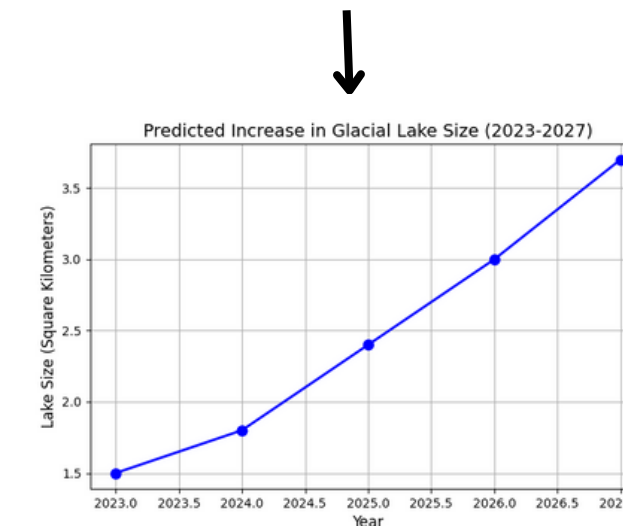
Software (ML) :



6000 landsat images from IEEE (128*128, 15 epochs)



Parsing into pre-trained ResNET based CNN



using LSTM layer to do Time series analysis and predict the increase in size as a graph (year vs sq.km)

Feasibility (cost analysis)

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Hardware components :

Component	Explanation
MS5803-14BA	Water level sensor
DHT11	Temperature sensor
YFS201	Water flow sensor
ADXL345	Tilt/Inclinometer sensor
BME280	Pressure/Humidity sensor
NEO-6M GPS	Location tracking
LoRa SX1276	Long-range communication
ESP32	Main microcontroller
Solar Panel	Power supply
Li-ion Battery	Power storage

Software components :

Component	Explanation
Python	Programming language
Ensembled CNN	Machine learning model
Flask	Web server for UI
IEEE Dataport	Image dataset (6000 images)

Cost :

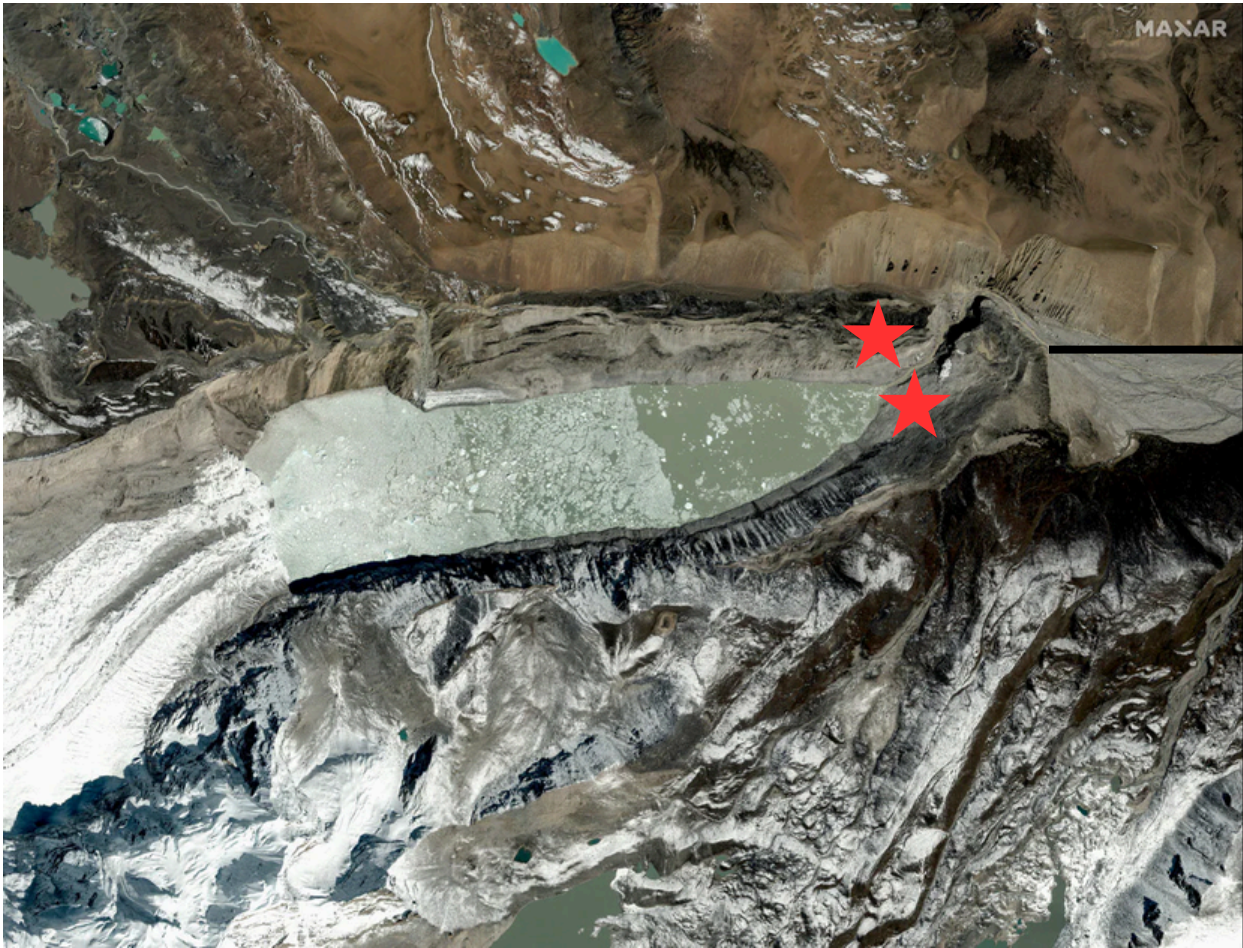
The cost of a one particular PCB comes out be **8000** and one time installation cost will be **4000**.

For a lake, we need 2 PCBs to monitor, we get **20000 INR**

To monitor all **critical lakes in India (189)** - we need **38 lakhs**.

Implementation (South Lhonak Glacial Lake)

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Landsat picture of South Lhonak Glacial lake, Sikkim

As calving increases, the water level of lake increases waiting to reach above end moraine.

We will attach PCBs at the **lower end of end moraine**, once the sensors finds values higher than threshold, data transmission will occur through **LORA**.



Disaster alert centre, Pakyong

Lora will transmit alert message with sensor values to nearest control centre.

The data will provide enough time of **4 - 6 days** for mitigation efforts.

Sensor	Threshold Value
MS5803-14BA	10-20 cm/hour water rise
DS18B20	>3°C temperature rise
YFS201	50-100% increase in flow rate
ADXL345	>1-2° tilt change
BME280	Pressure drop > 20-30 hPa

References & demo

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Github - <https://github.com/Ni8crawler18/glofsense>

Website - <https://glofsense.com> (our website)

Youtube - <https://youtu.be/aGul9aw29T4>

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