

# **Disaster-Resilient Telecommunication Infrastructure: A Systematic Approach**

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# Introduction

- Disasters disrupt communication networks, complicating rescue efforts. To solve this, our project creates a resilient system using ad-hoc networks.
- Our project establishes a centralized Mobile Ad-hoc Network (MANET) using Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) and Wi-Fi Direct to enable direct device-to-device communication.
- Designing a reliable SOS messaging system for ad-hoc networks to ensure low-latency, high-reliability communication during disasters, enabling effective emergency response in infrastructure-deprived areas.

- A self-healing algorithm ensures the network remains stable by dynamically reconfiguring connections when nodes disconnect.
- We use SQLite for local storage on each device and Cassandra for centralised data management at the base station, ensuring reliable data access during disasters and after.
- Victim localisation is implemented using Wi-Fi signal strength analysis, helping rescuers determine the approximate location of stranded individuals.

# Research Problem

How can we create a reliable system that detects and relays the presence of people in disaster areas, while also transmitting SOS alerts and instructions when traditional networks fail?

# Main Objective:

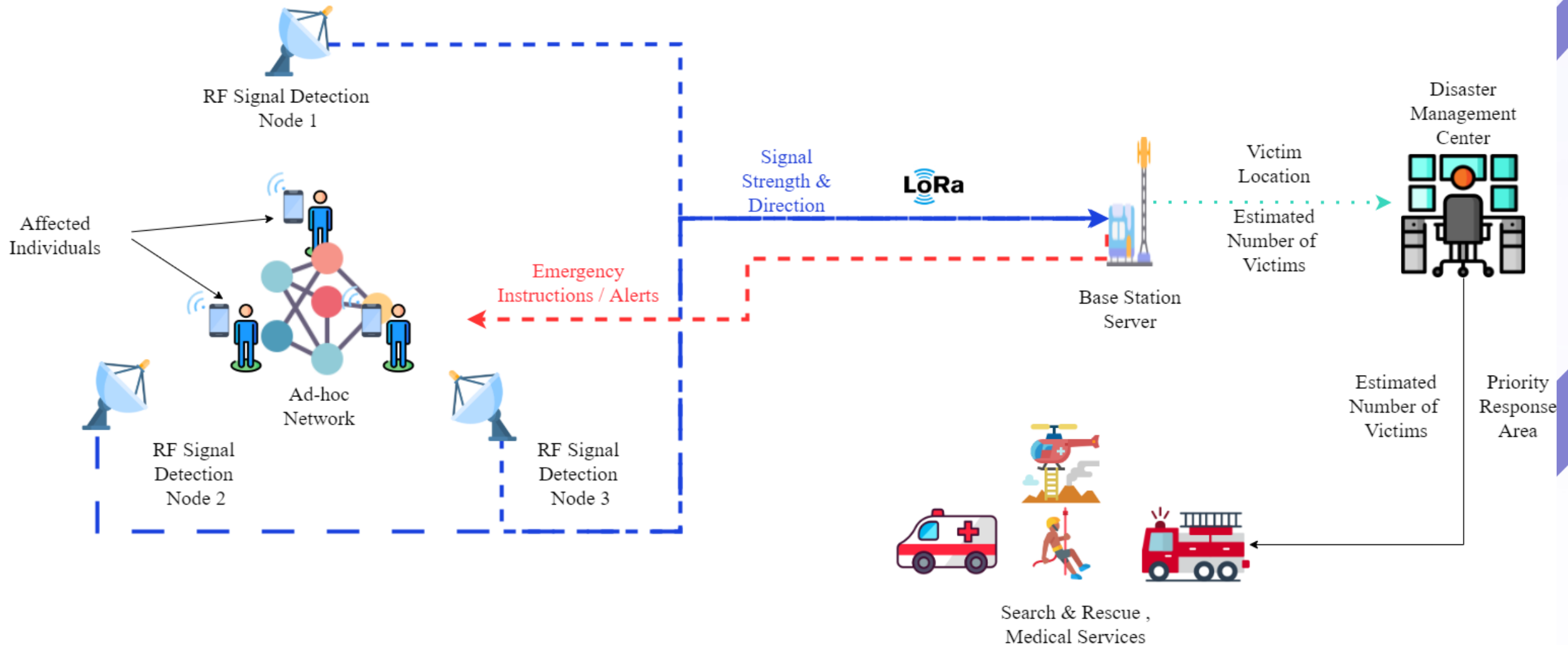
To develop a robust communication system using multiple Wi-Fi signal detection devices and an ad-hoc network, enhancing disaster response by accurately identifying the presence of people in disaster areas where traditional networks have failed.

# Sub-Objectives:

- Design a centralized ad-hoc network using BLE and Wi-Fi Direct for disaster communication.
- Enable efficient SOS message transmission for emergency responders.
- Implement a self-healing mechanism to ensure continuous network connectivity.
- Develop a system to approximate location of stranded individuals Wi-Fi signals.
- Integrate a database system for the base station to manage and store critical data.



# Overall System Diagram







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# INTRODUCTION

# Background

- Reliable communication is critical during emergencies to coordinate rescue efforts and ensure safety.
- Ad-hoc networks enable dynamic, infrastructure-independent communication, ideal for disaster-hit areas.
- Can be quickly established and scaled using Wi-Fi-enabled devices, providing immediate, widespread coverage.
- Utilizes existing consumer devices, minimizing the need for specialized equipment.

# Research Gap

Research Paper	Objectives & Tasks	
	To design and implement a dynamic ad-hoc network architecture.	To implement and test server within the network.
Quality of Sustainability Optimization Design for Mobile Ad Hoc Networks in Disaster Areas	✓	✗
Emergency Alert Networks for Disaster Management: Applications Perspective	✗	✗
A Novel Technique for Mobile Phone Localization for Search and Rescue Applications	✗	✓
Proposed System	✓	✓

# Research Question

- How can a dynamic ad-hoc network architecture be designed and implemented to facilitate reliable emergency communication in disaster-affected areas without relying on existing infrastructure?

## • **Main Objective**

- To develop a disaster-resilient telecommunication infrastructure to ensure continuous communication during natural disasters.

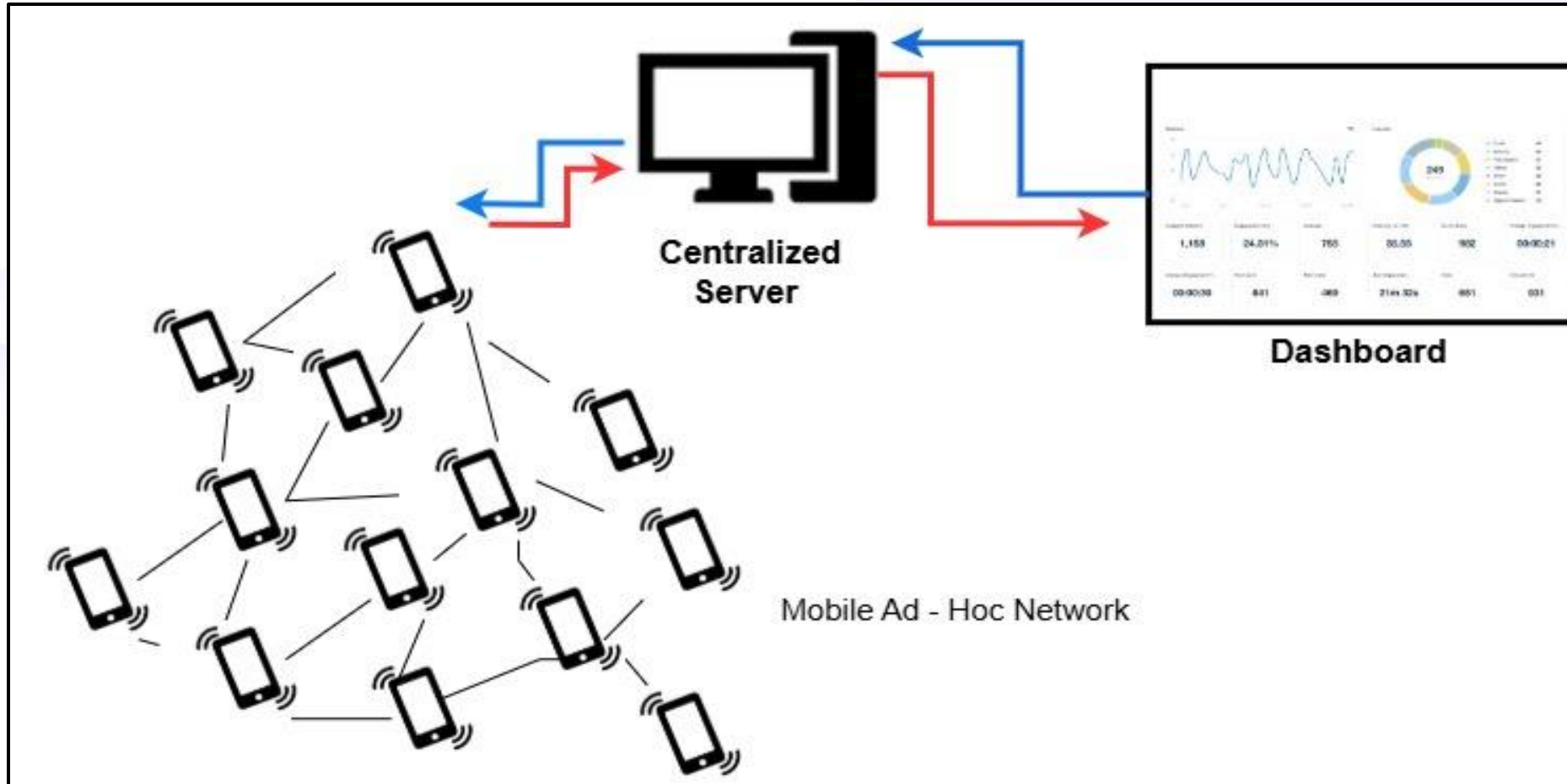
## • **Sub-Objectives:**

- Establish an ad-hoc network for emergency communication.
- To design and implement a dynamic ad-hoc network architecture.
- Utilize Centralize Server to enhance the ad-hoc network.
- To implement and test server within the network.
- Develop a Cassandra database to store device information and all messages transmitted through the ad-hoc network.
- Implement SQLite on each device to maintain local message logs for historical records.

# METHODOLOGY



# System Diagram



# Technologies

## 1. Ad-hoc Network Technologies:

- Wi-Fi Direct-based Mobile Application – Facilitates direct peer-to-peer communication without requiring traditional network infrastructure.

## 2.Data Management Technologies:

- Cassandra – Stores device information and all messages sent via the ad-hoc network, ensuring scalability and reliability.
- SQLite – Maintains local message logs on each device for historical records.

# Requirements

- Hardware
  - Wi-Fi Enabled Centralize Server.
  - Mobile devices
- Software
  - Custom Firmware

# Completion of the project

- Created an Ad Hoc network using Wi-Fi Direct.
- Creating Ad-Hoc network Application
- Creating local database for all nodes.

# Demonstration

```
73      @override
74      void initState() {
75          super.initState();
76          initNearbyService();
77          initNotifications();
78      }
79
80      void initNearbyService() {
81          nearbyService.init(
82              serviceType: 'mesh-network',
83              strategy: Strategy.P2P_CLUSTER,
84              callback: (isRunning) {
85                  if (isRunning) {
86                      // Start both advertising and discovering
87                      nearbyService.startAdvertisingPeer();
88                      nearbyService.startBrowsingForPeers();
89                  }
90              },
91          );
```

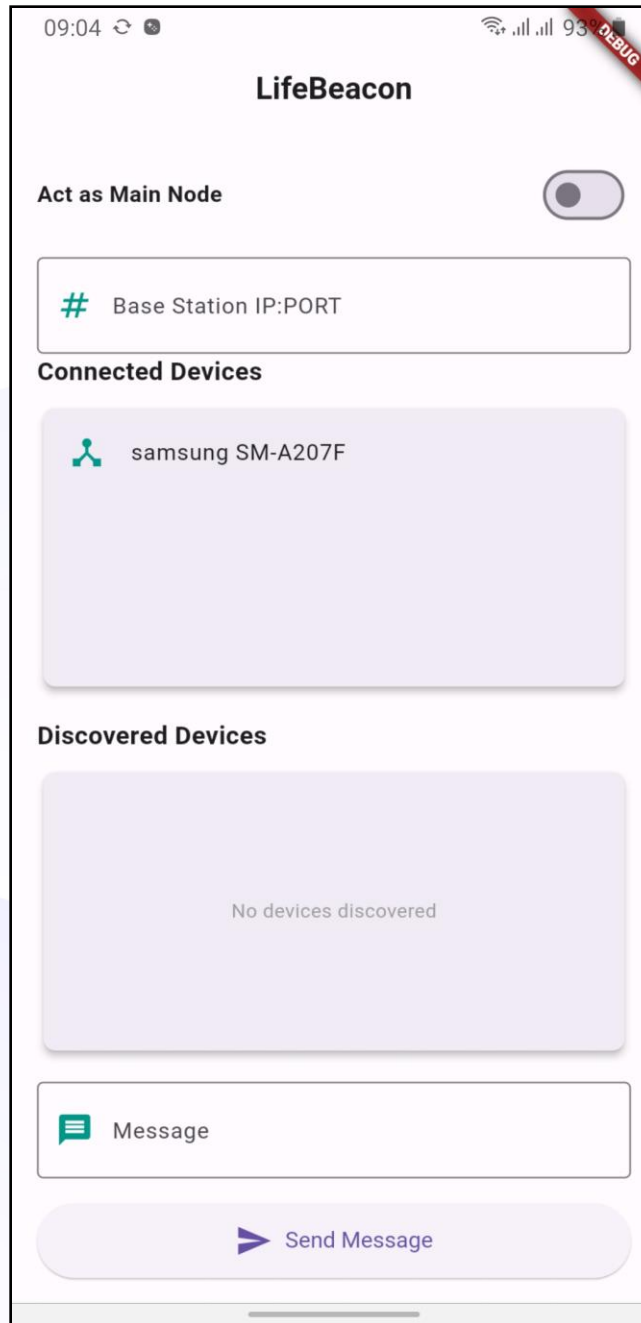
```
93     nearbyService.stateChangedSubscription(callback: (deviceList) {  
94         for (var element in deviceList) {  
95             switch (element.state) {  
96                 case SessionState.connected:  
97                     setState(() {  
98                         if (!connectedDevices  
99                             .any((device) => device.deviceId == element.deviceId)) {  
100                             connectedDevices.add(element);  
101                         }  
102                     });  
103                     break;
```

```

110     case SessionState.notConnected:
111         // Automatically connect to found devices
112         if (!connectedDevices.any((d) => d.deviceId == element.deviceId)) {
113             nearbyService.invitePeer(
114                 deviceId: element.deviceId, deviceName: element.deviceName);
115         }
116         setState(() {
117             if (!connectedDevices
118                 .any((device) => device.deviceId == element.deviceId)) {
119                 connectedDevices.add(element);
120             }
121         });
122         break;
123     default:
124         break;
125     }
126 }
127 });
128

```





# Gantt Chart

Process	Months											
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Janurary	February	March	April
Requirement Gathering & Initial Planning												
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Integration & Testing												
Final Deployment												
Project Review & Documentation												
Final Presentation												



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# BACKGROUND

- The function aims to create an ad-hoc network using victims' mobile devices.
- Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) is the one of main technology used to build the network.
- The system includes a self-healing mechanism that automatically rebuilds the network if a node disconnects.
- It ensures reliable communication in disaster areas where traditional networks are unavailable.

# RESEARCH GAP

Research Paper	Objectives & Tasks		
	Implementing energy-efficient data transmission techniques.	Real-Time Data Transmission for Disaster Management	Self-healing and BLE-based communication
New Ordered Policy Routing Protocol for Active Data Transmission in Mobile Ad-hoc Networks	✗	✗	✗
Fairness Improvement and Efficient Rerouting in Mobile Ad Hoc Networks	✗	✗	✗
A Novel Technique for Mobile Phone Localization for Search and Rescue Applications	✗	✓	✗
Proposed System	✓	✓	✓

# Research Question

- How can an ad-hoc network be effectively created using Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) and mobile devices in disaster-affected areas to ensure reliable communication?
- What self-healing mechanisms can be implemented to automatically restore and maintain network connectivity in ad-hoc networks when a connected node disconnects during a disaster?

# MAIN OBJECTIVES

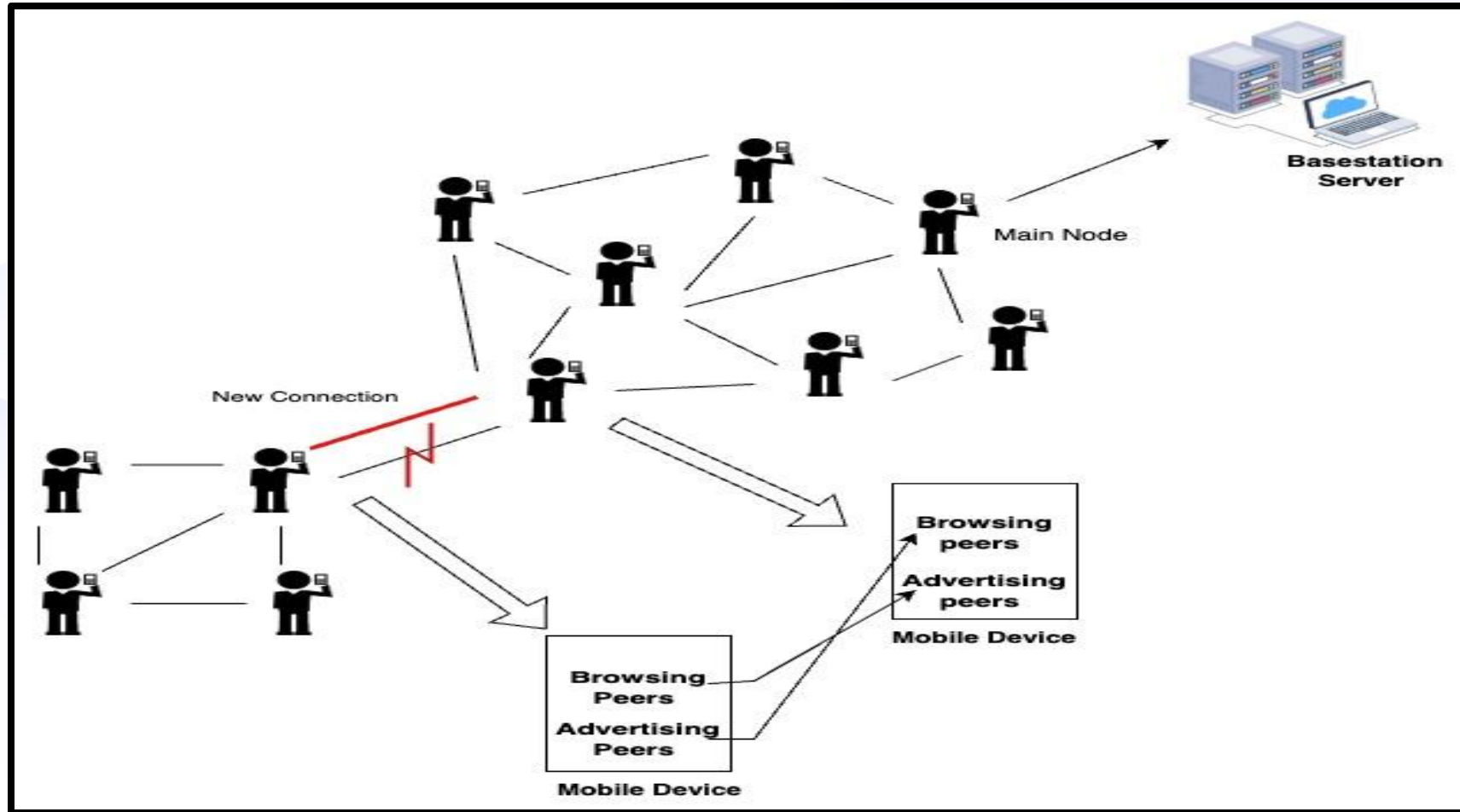
- To create a reliable ad-hoc network using Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) and mobile devices, ensuring continuous communication and recreating the network when a node disconnects in disaster-affected areas.

## SUB OBJECTIVES

- Build an ad-hoc network using mobile devices as servers and clients with BLE technology.
- Implement a self-healing mechanism to rebuild the network when a node disconnects.
- Optimize BLE for low-power, efficient communication in the network.
- Test and validate the network's reliability and self-healing function in disaster scenarios



# METHODOLOGY – SYSTEM DIAGRAM



# METHODOLOGY

- Create an ad-hoc network using mobile devices in the disaster area with Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE).
- Ensure devices communicate efficiently within the network.
- Implement a self-healing mechanism to reconnect devices if a node disconnects.
- Rebuild the network automatically when a node leaves or joins. Enable dynamic device management to maintain continuous network operation.
- Test the system to ensure reliable performance in disaster scenarios.

# METHODOLOGY - TECHNOLOGIES

1. Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE)
2. Self-Healing Algorithm

# SYSTEM, PERSONAL, AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICATION

## System Requirements

- Centralized server:
- Ad-Hoc Network Components:

## Personnel Requirements

- System Engineers
- Network Engineers

## Software Requirement

- Communication Protocol Software
- Software development tools

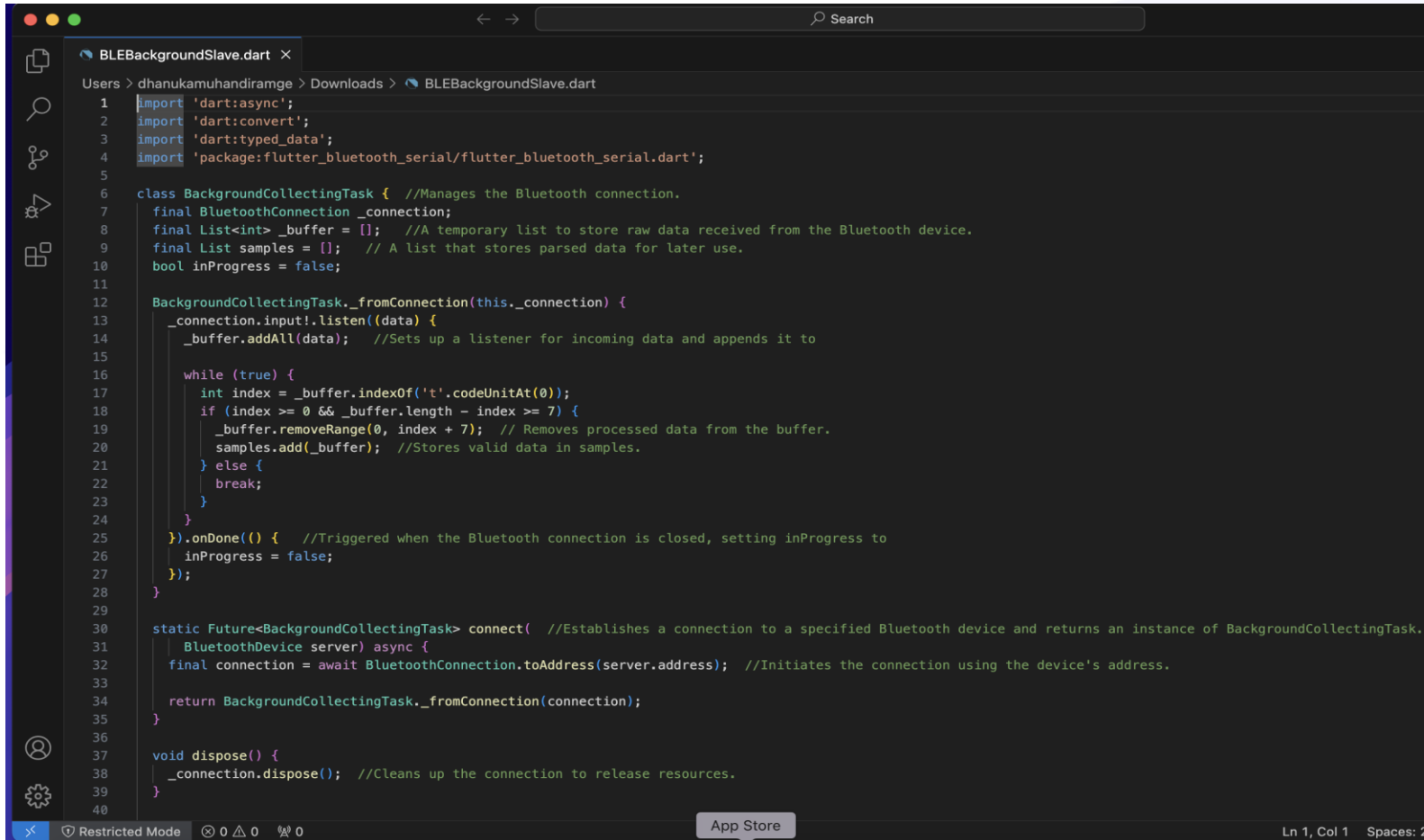
# Completion of the project

- Created an Ad Hoc network using Bluetooth Low Energy .
- Creating Ad-Hoc network Application
- Implementing self-healing mechanism that automatically rebuilds the network if a node disconnects.

## Need to be done

- Need to complete the testing phase and work on improving performance to ensure optimal functionality.

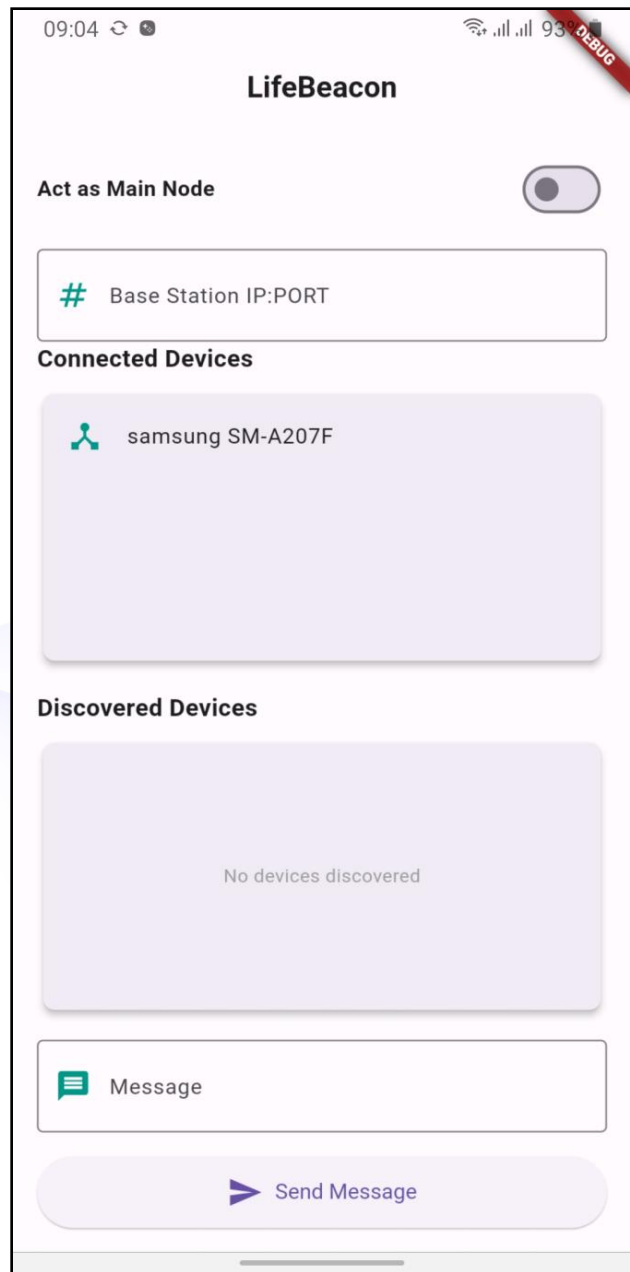
# Demonstration



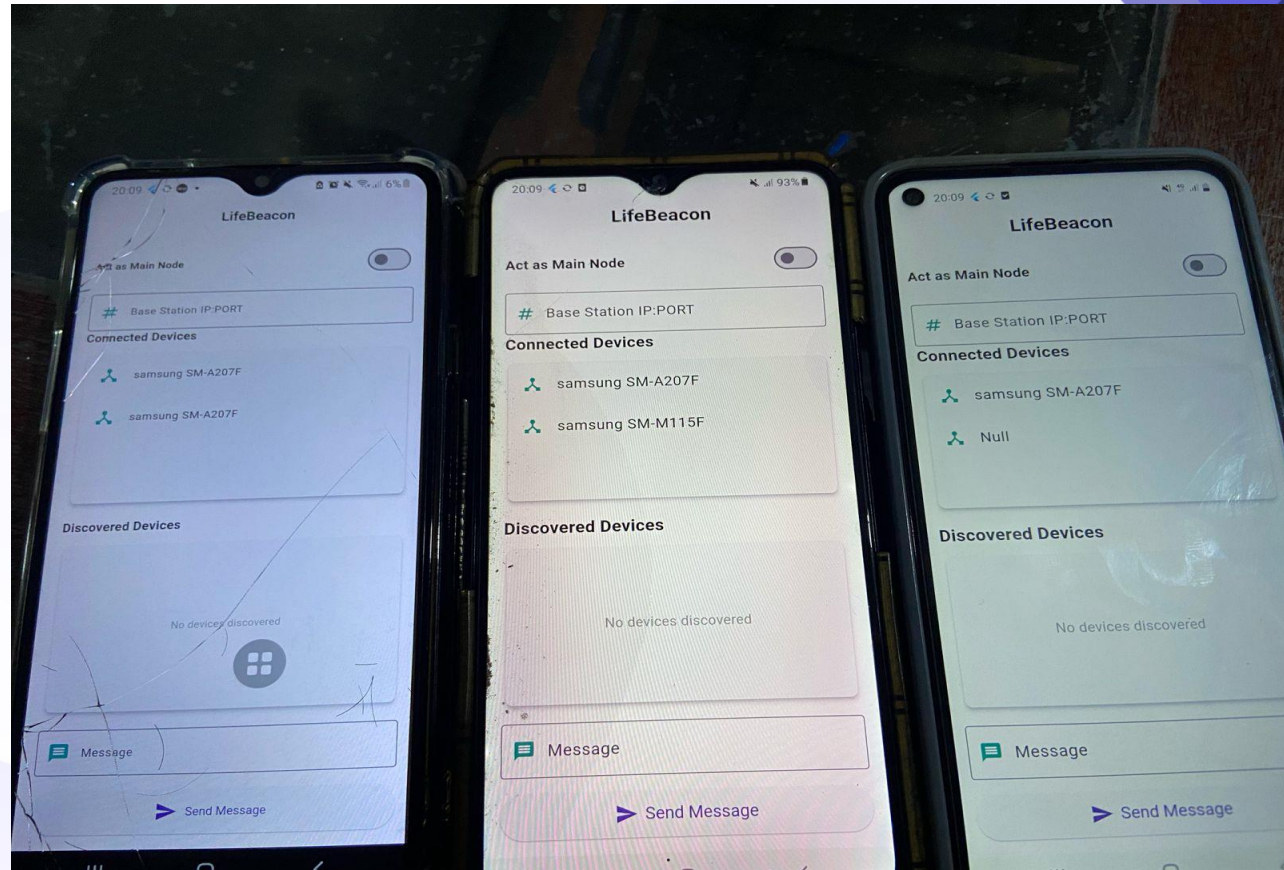
```
1 import 'dart:async';
2 import 'dart:convert';
3 import 'dart:typed_data';
4 import 'package:flutter_bluetooth_serial/flutter_bluetooth_serial.dart';
5
6
7 class BackgroundCollectingTask { //Manages the Bluetooth connection.
8   final BluetoothConnection _connection;
9   final List<int> _buffer = []; //A temporary list to store raw data received from the Bluetooth device.
10  final List samples = []; // A list that stores parsed data for later use.
11  bool inProgress = false;
12
13  BackgroundCollectingTask._fromConnection(this._connection) {
14    _connection.input!.listen((data) {
15      _buffer.addAll(data); //Sets up a listener for incoming data and appends it to
16
17      while (true) {
18        int index = _buffer.indexOf('t'.codeUnitAt(0));
19        if (index >= 0 && _buffer.length - index >= 7) {
20          _buffer.removeRange(0, index + 7); // Removes processed data from the buffer.
21          samples.add(_buffer); //Stores valid data in samples.
22        } else {
23          break;
24        }
25      }
26    }).onDone(() { //Triggered when the Bluetooth connection is closed, setting inProgress to
27      inProgress = false;
28    });
29  }
30
31  static Future<BackgroundCollectingTask> connect( //Establishes a connection to a specified Bluetooth device and returns an instance of BackgroundCollectingTask.
32    BluetoothDevice server) async {
33    final connection = await BluetoothConnection.toAddress(server.address); //Initiates the connection using the device's address.
34
35    return BackgroundCollectingTask._fromConnection(connection);
36  }
37
38  void dispose() {
39    _connection.dispose(); //Cleans up the connection to release resources.
40  }
41 }
```

Main code is used to stablsh connection using BLE





## Interface of the mobile application



## Connected device for the application



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# BACKGROUND

- Disasters can disrupt traditional communication, leaving affected areas without reliable means to connect. Ad-hoc networks play a crucial role in these situations, enabling spontaneous and independent communication.
- This project focuses on designing and implementing an **SOS messaging system for reliable emergency communication**. Key features include:
  - Broadcast SOS System** – Mass alerts for wide coverage
  - Encrypted Direct Messaging** – Secure, targeted assistance
  - Centralized Dashboard** – Message management, victim monitoring, and device data access
- The system ensures **low latency** and **high reliability**, making it ideal for the dynamic nature of ad-hoc networks in disaster scenarios.

# Research Question

- How can an SOS messaging system be optimized to ensure low-latency, high-reliability communication and secure encrypted messaging for effective emergency response in ad-hoc networks?

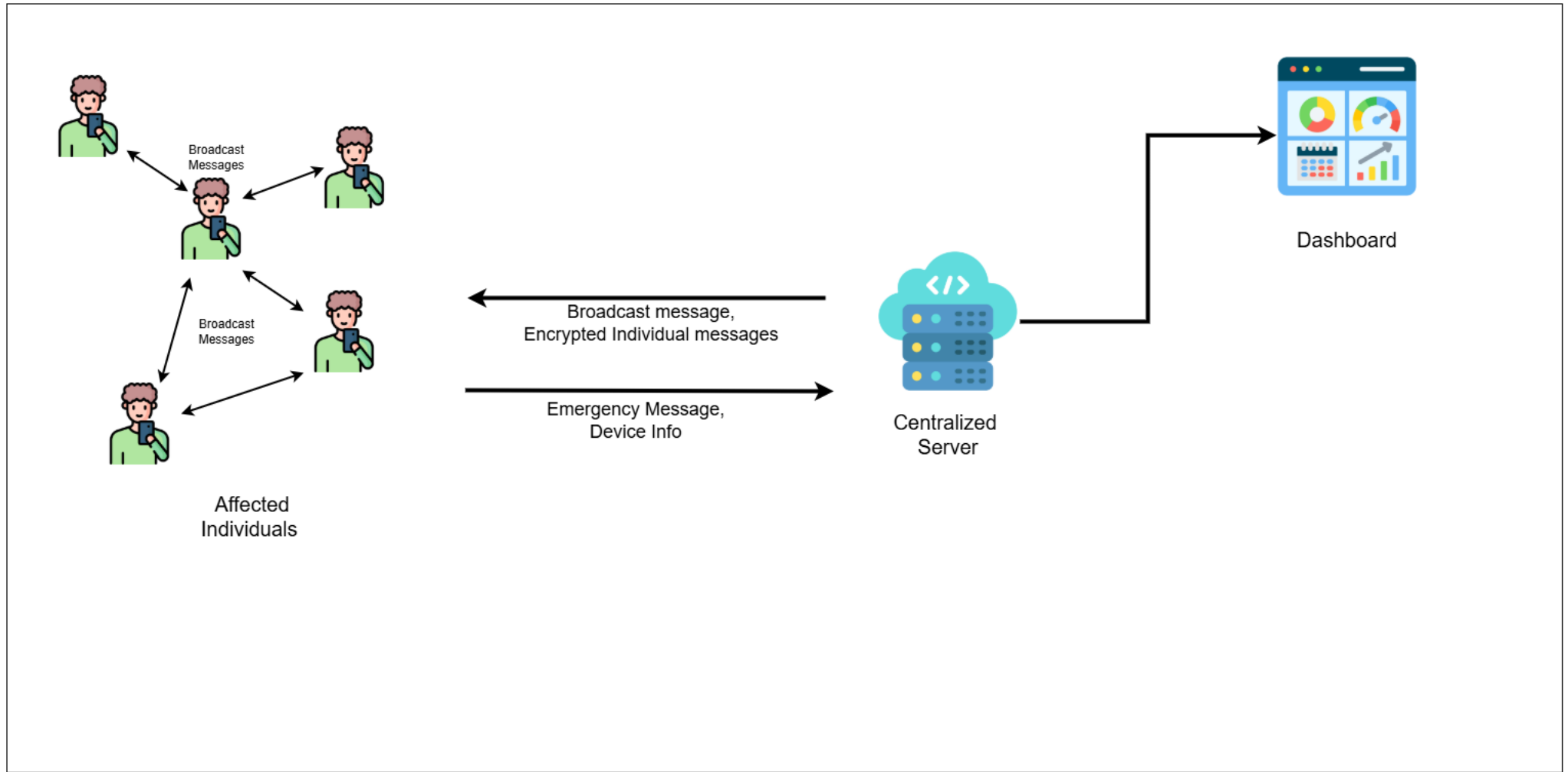
# Main Objective

- To design and optimize a robust SOS messaging system that ensures low-latency, high-reliability communication and secure, encrypted messaging within ad-hoc networks during disaster situations.

# Sub Objectives

- To assess the performance of existing SOS messaging systems in terms of latency, reliability, and security, and identify key areas for improvement within ad-hoc networks.
- To develop and implement an optimized SOS messaging system that integrates broadcast and encrypted direct messaging for effective communication in disaster situations.
- To design a centralized dashboard for managing broadcasts, tracking victim data, and enabling real-time communication, ensuring efficient coordination of emergency response efforts.
- To ensure the enhanced SOS messaging system operates seamlessly on mobile devices used by rescue teams, providing reliable communication even in dynamic and infrastructure-less environments.

# System Diagram



# Methodology– Technologies

- **Flask (Python):**

- Serves as the backend framework for managing SOS messaging.
- Implements Flask-SocketIO for real-time WebSocket communication.
- Handles message broadcasting, direct messaging, and encryption.

- **Flutter (Mobile App):**

- Integrates the messaging system within the mobile app.
- Uses flutter\_nearby\_connections for peer-to-peer communication.
- Receives, decrypts, and displays messages.

- **Flutter Nearby Connections Plugin:**

- Enables peer-to-peer messaging using the P2P\_CLUSTER strategy.
- Establishes communication even in infrastructure-less environments.

- **Notification Service:**

- Uses Flutter Local Notifications for standard alerts.
- Implements Raw Resource Sounds for high-priority emergency notifications.



## Implementation Steps:

1. **Server-Side Messaging:** Flask-SocketIO establishes WebSocket connections, manages broadcasts, and encrypts direct messages.
2. **Mobile App Messaging:** The Flutter app handles P2P messaging, receives, decrypts, and displays SOS messages.
3. **Device Information & Logging:** The server retrieves and manages active devices, logs messages, and maintains connectivity data.
4. **Encryption & Security:** RSA encryption ensures private message security using dynamically generated key pairs.
5. **Real-Time Communication:** The centralized dashboard controls message dispatch, monitors active devices, and manages encrypted messaging.

# Completion of the project

- Developed a real-time SOS messaging system for ad-hoc networks.
- Integrated encryption for secure, targeted messaging.
- Implemented a centralized dashboard for message management, victim tracking, and device monitoring.

# System Requirements:

- **Server:** Python server for Flask-based messaging.
- **Mobile Devices:** Android smartphones with Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, and Internet connectivity for SOS messaging.
- **Network:** Ad-hoc network capability (Wi-Fi Direct, Bluetooth, WebSocket) for reliable message transmission.

# Software Requirements:

- **Backend:** Flask (Python) with Flask-SocketIO.
- **Frontend (Mobile App):** Flutter (Dart) with flutter\_nearby\_connections.
- **Encryption Library:** PyCrypto (Python) & Pointycastle (Dart) for RSA encryption.
- **Real-Time Communication:** WebSockets (Socket.IO), Bluetooth, Wi-Fi Direct.
- **Notification Services:** Flutter Local Notifications for alerts.

# Progress

- Sending messages to connected peers.

```
188 void sendMessage(String message) {  
189     for (Device device in connectedDevices) {  
190         nearbyService.sendMessage(device.deviceId, message);  
191     }  
192     print('Message Sent: $message');  
193 }
```

- Receiving and processing messages from peers.

```
163     nearbyService.dataReceivedSubscription(callback: (data) {  
164         _showNotification(data['message']);  
165         showDialog(  
166             context: context,  
167             builder: (context) => AlertDialog(  
168                 title: Text('Message Received'),  
169                 content: Text(data['message']),  
170                 actions: [  
171                     TextButton(  
172                         onPressed: () => Navigator.pop(context),  
173                         child: Text('OK'),  
174                     ), // TextButton  
175                 ],  
176             ), // AlertDialog  
177         );  
178     });  
179 }
```

- Real-time messaging integration with a server.

```
30 void startListeningToSocketServer() {
31     print("Listening to sock");
32     IO.Socket socket = IO.io(
33         'http://192.168.43.210:12345',
34         IO.OptionBuilder()
35             .setTransports(['websocket'])
36             .disableAutoConnect()
37             .build(),
38     );
39
40     socket.connect();
41
42     socket.onConnect((_) {
43         print('Connected to server');
44     });
45
46     socket.on('message', (data) {
47         print('Message received from server: $data');
48         sendMessage(data.toString());
49     });
50
51     socket.onDisconnect((_) {
52         print('Disconnected from server');
53     });
54 }
55
56 void stopListeningToSocketServer() {
57     print("Stopped listening to the socket server...");
58 }
```

- User alerts for incoming messages.

```
208 Future<void> _showNotification(String message) async {
209     const AndroidNotificationDetails androidNotificationDetails =
210         AndroidNotificationDetails(
211             'mesh_channel', // Channel ID
212             'Mesh Messages', // Channel Name
213             importance: Importance.high,
214             priority: Priority.high,
215             playSound: true,
216             sound: RawResourceAndroidNotificationSound('siren'),
217         ); // AndroidNotificationDetails
218     const NotificationDetails notificationDetails =
219         NotificationDetails(android: androidNotificationDetails);
220     await flutterLocalNotificationsPlugin.show(
221         0, // Notification ID
222         'Message Received', // Notification Title
223         message, // Notification Body
224         notificationDetails,
225     );
226 }
```



- Message input and send button.

```
330 // Message Input Field
331 TextField(
332   controller: messageController,
333   decoration: InputDecoration(
334     labelText: 'Message',
335     border: OutlineInputBorder(),
336     prefixIcon: Icon(Icons.message, color: Colors.teal),
337   ), // InputDecoration
338 ), // TextField
339 SizedBox(height: 16),
340 // Send Message Button
341 ElevatedButton.icon(
342   onPressed: () {
343     if (messageController.text.isNotEmpty) {
344       sendMessage(messageController.text);
345       messageController.clear();
346     }
347   },
348   icon: Icon(Icons.send),
349   label: Text('Send Message'),
350   style: ElevatedButton.styleFrom(
351     padding: EdgeInsets.symmetric(vertical: 12),
352     textStyle: TextStyle(fontSize: 16),
353   ),
354 ), // ElevatedButton.icon
```

- Dashboard

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localhost:3000/admin/index

Admin Center Microsoft Entra AD Intune vSphere Azure AD Outlook SentinelOne Duo Adobe Barracuda Networks

DASHBOARD

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NO. OF DEVICES

2

Devices

DEVICE NAME	DEVICE ID	MAC ADDRESS	IP ADDRESS	ACTIONS
SM-A207F	RP1A.200720.012			<div>Get Messages Log</div> <div>Get Device Info List</div> <div>Send Personel Notification</div> <div></div>
SM-M115F	SP1A.210812.016	02:00:00:00:00:00		<div>Get Messages Log</div> <div>Get Device Info List</div> <div>Send Personel Notification</div> <div></div>

Broadcast Message

Message

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Send

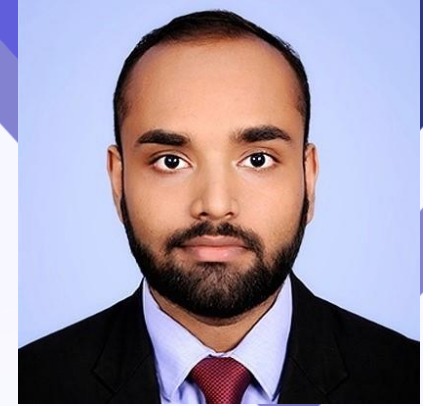
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# Background

- Traditional communication networks are often disrupted during natural disasters, making it difficult to identify victims through conventional means.
- A RF Signal (Wi-Fi) based detection and analysis methodology is proposed to identify victims by detecting Wi-Fi probe requests emitted by devices in affected areas.
- Portable devices equipped with sensors and communication modules detect and measure Wi-Fi signal strength.
- Collected data is transmitted to a central base station via an ad-hoc network, ensuring continuous data relay without relying on conventional communication infrastructure.
- The collected data is analyzed centrally to estimate the approximate coordinates of the victim's device, aiding in search and rescue operations.

# Research Gap

Research Paper	Objectives & Tasks		
	Integration with Disaster Management Centers	Non-Intrusive Operation	Use of multiple devices for increased accuracy.
A Novel Technique for Mobile Phone Localization for Search and Rescue Applications	✗	✗	✗
A Doppler Effect Based Framework for Wi-Fi Signal Tracking in Search and Rescue Operations	✗	✓	✗
A Smartphone-assisted Post-Disaster Victim Localization Method	✗	✓	✗
Proposed System	✓	✓	✓

# Research Question

- How can RF technologies be leveraged to detect and determine the approximate location of individuals in disaster-affected areas?

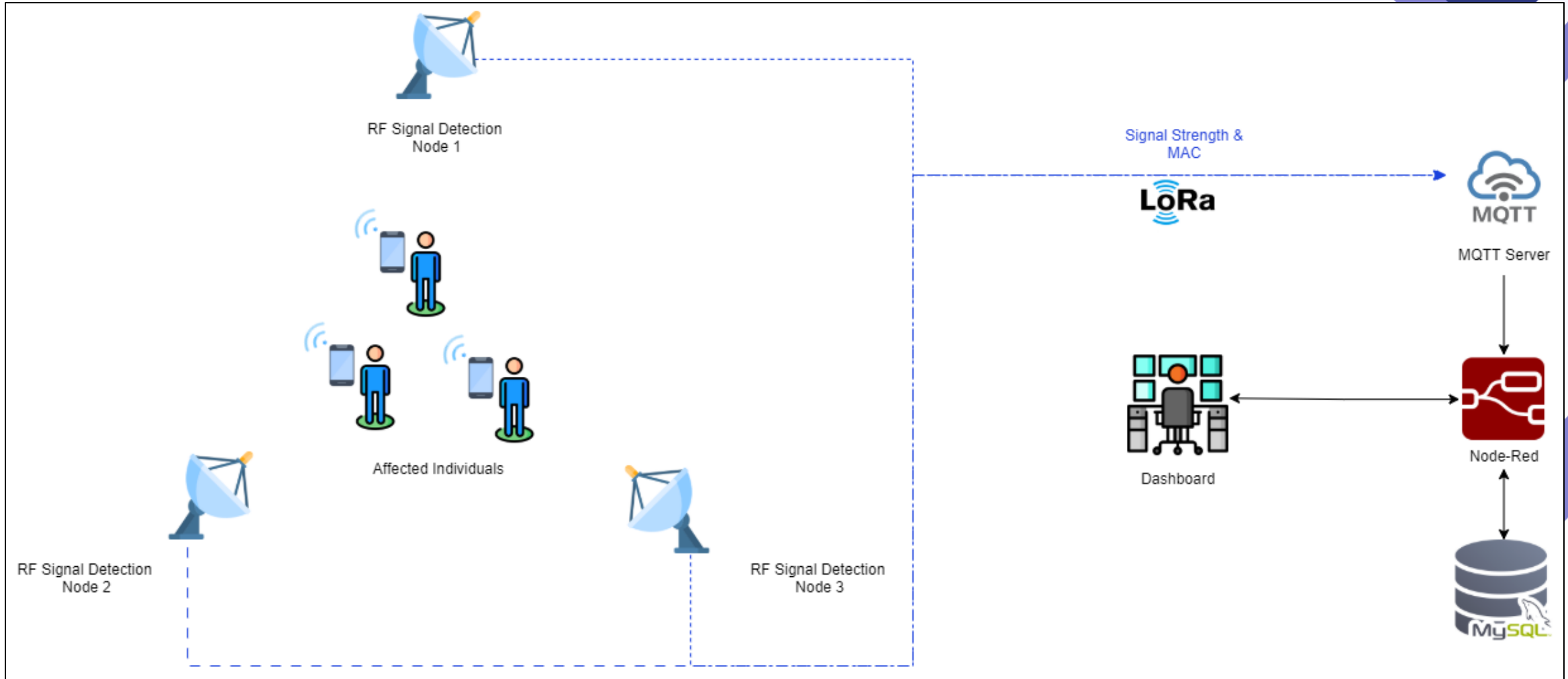
- Objective

- To develop a system that utilizes RF technologies to collect data and determine the approximate location of individuals in disaster-affected areas.

- Sub-objectives

- To Implement a Data Collection System:  
Develop mechanisms to collect data using RF signals emitted from smartphones and compatible devices. Utilize Wi-Fi or Bluetooth technology to gather data from devices within range.
- To Ensure Data Accuracy:  
Implement filtering techniques to enhance data accuracy, eliminating redundancies or false positives in locating affected individuals.
- To Evaluate and Optimize the System:  
Evaluate the system's performance and optimize the system.

# Methodology – System Diagram





# Methodology - Technologies Used

## 1. Microcontroller-Based Platform

- Utilizes a flexible and programmable embedded system for building RF signal detection devices.
- Supports integration with various sensors and communication modules.

## 2. Wi-Fi Modules & Antennas

- Employed to detect and measure Wi-Fi signal strength and facilitate data transmission.

## 3. LoRa

- Long-range, low-power communication technology for transmitting RF signals over large distances.
- Ideal for remote detection nodes with low data transmission needs, covering the data transmission requirements.

## 4. MQTT

- Lightweight messaging protocol for efficient data transmission.
- Ensures reliable communication between devices and the data processing & storage node.

## 5. Node-RED

- Facilitates real-time data processing and visualization.

## 6. MySQL Database

- For storing and managing RF signal data.
- Supports efficient querying, storage, and retrieval of large datasets from the detection devices.

# System, personal, and software Requirements specification

- Hardware Requirements
  - Microcontrollers
  - Wi-Fi modules & antennas for RF signal detection.
  - LoRa modules & antennas for LoRa Communication
  - Power supply components / batteries for device operation in the field.
  - Enclosures and mounting hardware for device protection and deployment.
  - Displays to convey device status & critical information

# System, personal, and software Requirements specification - Required Skills and Knowledge

- Microcontrollers
  - Proficiency in programming and interfacing with microcontroller-based platforms for detecting RF signals and enabling communication with various modules.
- Wi-Fi and LoRa Modules
  - Knowledge of integrating and configuring Wi Fi modules and antennas to detect and measure RF signal strength.
  - Understanding of LoRa technology for long range, low power communication in remote sensing applications.
- MQTT & Data Communication
  - Understanding of lightweight messaging protocols, specifically MQTT, for efficient and reliable data transmission.
  - Knowledge of ensuring seamless communication between devices and data processing/storage nodes.
- Networking & Data Protocols
  - Understanding of networking protocols and configurations, with a focus on RF signal detection and communication.
  - Familiarity with integrating data transmission technologies like Wi Fi, Bluetooth, and LoRa for networked devices.
- Database Management
  - Knowledge of MySQL or other relational databases for storing, managing, and querying large datasets.
  - Understanding of efficient data retrieval and processing for real time applications.

# System, personal, and software Requirements specification - Software Requirements

- Development Environment
  - Programming tools and environments suitable for developing code for microcontroller-based platforms.
- Custom Firmware
  - Firmware to interface with detection nodes & LoRa modules, as well as handle data transmission and reception efficiently.
- Networking Libraries
  - Libraries for handling communication.
  - Support for LoRa communication.
- Database Integration
  - Tools for storing, querying, and retrieving data efficiently in real-time applications.

# Progress as of Now

- 1. Detection Technology Comparison & Selection – Completed**
- 2. Microcontroller Selection, Hardware Acquisition & Implementation**
  1. Selection of Embedded System (Microcontroller) – Completed
  2. Hardware Acquisition – Completed
  3. Final Hardware Implementation – In-progress
- 3. Detection Device Programming**
  1. Device Detection – Completed
  2. Data Filtering Mechanism Finalization – Completed
  3. Signal Strength to distance conversion technique - Completed
  4. Location Approximation (Signal Trilateration Algorithm) – Pending
  5. Connectivity between Nodes – In-progress
- 4. Hardware Design & Implementation – In Progress**

# 1. Detection Technology Comparison & Selection

- **GSM Signal Capturing:**

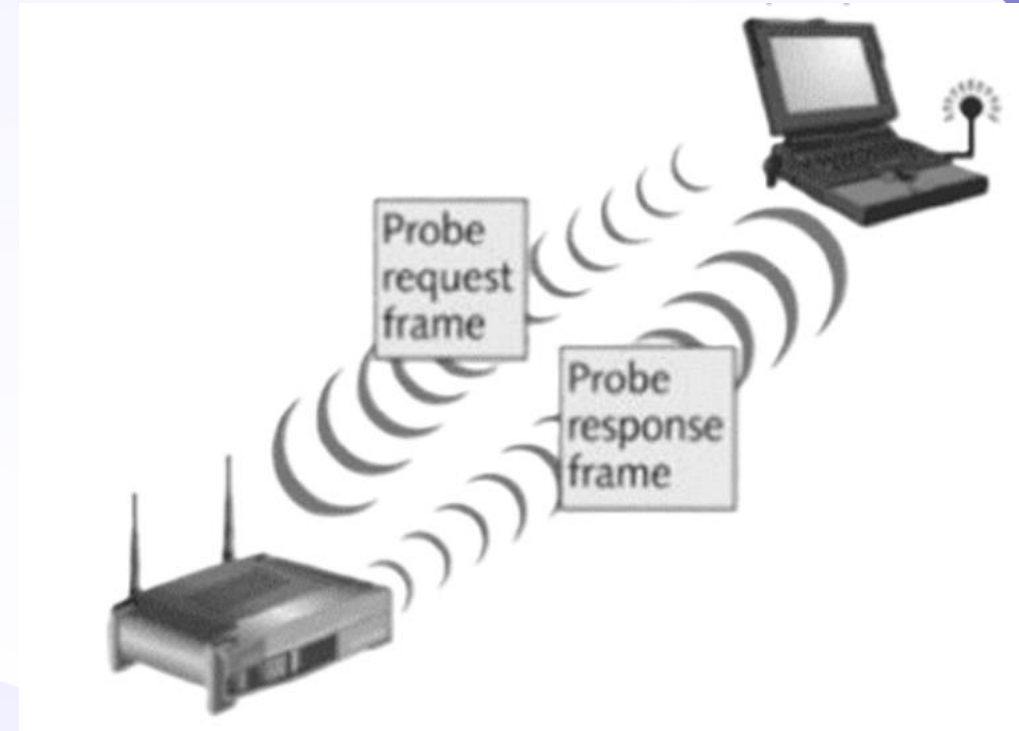
- **Advantages:** Could detect devices connected to GSM networks.
- **Challenges:**
  - Requires use of a **Jammer** to disrupt existing connections, which can be highly disruptive.
  - Complex implementation due to mimicking GSM network security features.
  - High cost and complexity of required hardware.
  - Legal challenges in obtaining and deploying GSM-capturing & jamming hardware.

- **Wi-Fi Probe Request Capturing (Selected):**

- **Advantages:**
  - No disruption to existing networks.
  - Ability to leverage promiscuous mode for non-intrusive data collection.
  - Cost-effective and simpler implementation.
  - Minimal legal or regulatory restrictions.

# Understanding Wi-Fi Probe Requests

- A Wi-Fi probe request is a type of management frame defined in the IEEE 802.11 standard.
- It is sent by Wi-Fi clients to actively search for available networks.
- These requests are transmitted even when no network is present, as the device is scanning for networks to join.





# Wi-Fi Probe Requests

- **Key Features:**

- Broadcasted: Probe requests are sent publicly and can be captured by any device in range.
- Contains Metadata:
  - MAC Address: Unique identifier for the device.
  - SSID: Network name (if the device is searching for a specific one).

- **Relevance to the Project:**

- Enables real-time tracking of devices in disaster-affected areas.
- Provides non-disruptive data collection without affecting existing network operations.



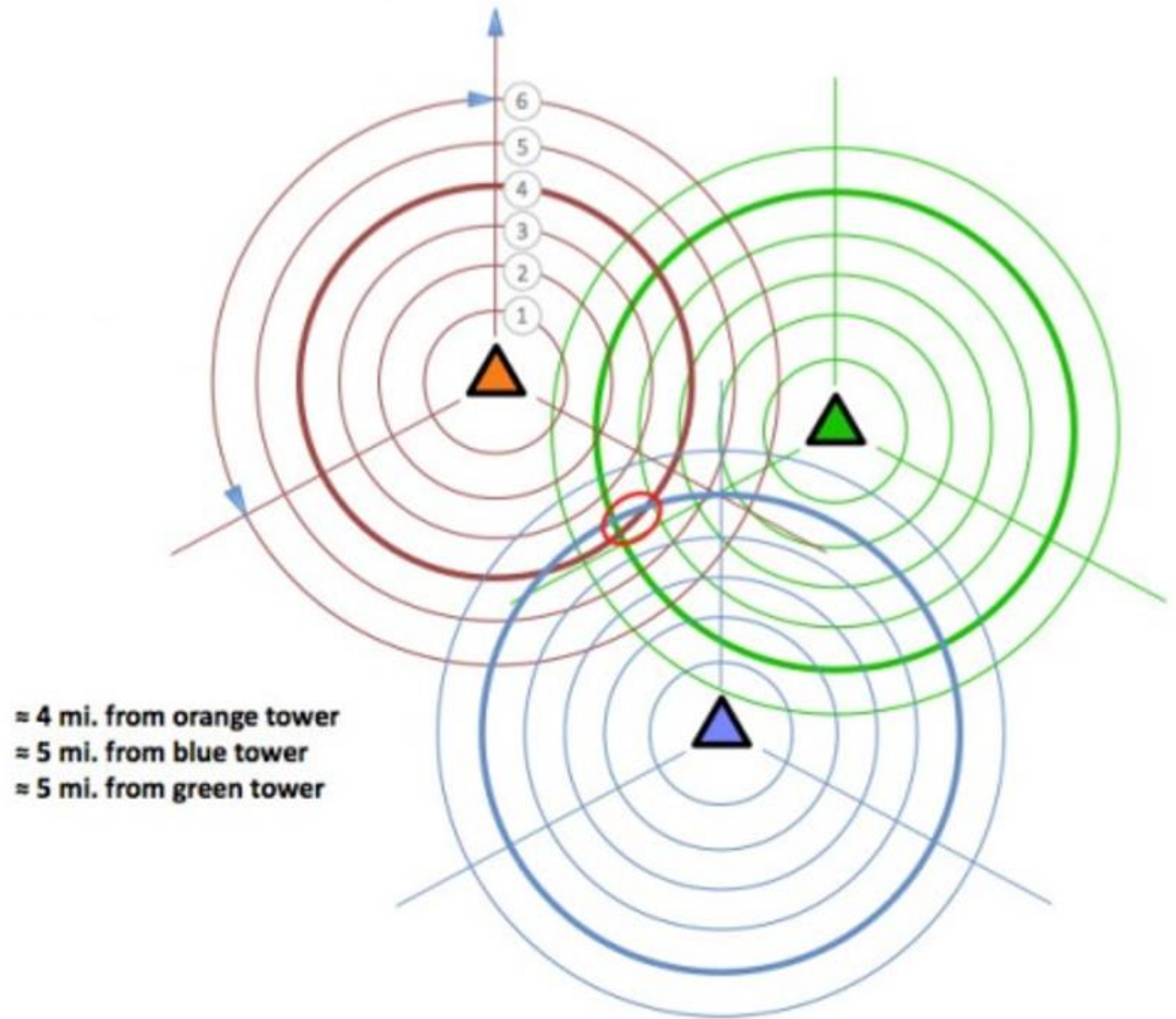
## 2. Embedded System / Microcontroller Selection, Hardware Acquisition & Implementation

- Selected Device : Espressif Systems 32-bit Microcontroller : (ESP32-WROOM-32U)
- **Why ESP32?**
  - Built-in Wi-Fi capabilities.
  - ESP32-WROOM-32U model allows the integration of external antennas for longer range and accuracy.
  - Supports promiscuous mode for packet sniffing.
  - Efficient power consumption allows for more portable & user-friendly device implementation.
  - Compact, cost-effective, and suitable for portable applications.

# 3. Detection Device Programming

- Wi-Fi Probe Request Capturing:
  - Operates in promiscuous mode to sniff packets.
  - Captures and processes metadata like:
    - RSSI (Signal Strength)
    - Channel
    - MAC Address
    - SSID (if available).
- Features:
  - Channel Hopping: Scans channels (1–13) for wider coverage.
  - Packet Processing: Filters for probe requests and extracts relevant metadata.
- Data Filtering:
  - Eliminates redundancies and false positives.
  - Filters out incomplete packets and corrupted packets to ensure accurate data.
  - Ensures accuracy for estimating individual counts in disaster scenarios.

## Location Approximation Methodology (Trilateration)



# Progress

## 1. Probe-request Capturing

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10:30:56.026 -> RSSI: -39 Ch: 8 Peer MAC: 7a:20:82:c7:54:d4 SSID: Test 2
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10:30:56.069 -> RSSI: -38 Ch: 8 Peer MAC: 7a:20:82:c7:54:d4 SSID: SLT fiber
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10:30:56.214 -> RSSI: -69 Ch: 8 Peer MAC: 7a:20:82:c7:54:d4 SSID:
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10:30:56.320 -> RSSI: -68 Ch: 8 Peer MAC: 7a:20:82:c7:54:d4 SSID: SLT fiber
10:30:56.320 -> RSSI: -84 Ch: 8 Peer MAC: 7a:20:82:c7:54:d4 SSID: Test3SSID
10:30:56.320 -> RSSI: -85 Ch: 8 Peer MAC: 7a:20:82:c7:54:d4 SSID:
10:31:01.983 -> RSSI: -69 Ch: 1 Peer MAC: 00:00:00:00:01:00 SSID:
10:31:01.983 -> RSSI: -28 Ch: 1 Peer MAC: 4e:eb:d0:8f:de:95 SSID:
10:31:02.015 -> RSSI: -64 Ch: 1 Peer MAC: a8:80:55:21:f3:c6 SSID:
10:31:02.196 -> RSSI: -67 Ch: 1 Peer MAC: 4e:eb:d0:8f:de:95 SSID:
10:31:02.230 -> RSSI: -27 Ch: 1 Peer MAC: a8:80:55:21:f3:c6 SSID:
10:31:02.680 -> RSSI: -64 Ch: 1 Peer MAC: c2:86:0f:82:a4:b4 SSID:
10:31:02.772 -> RSSI: -68 Ch: 1 Peer MAC: a8:80:55:21:e3:15 SSID:
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SSID

Device MAC Address

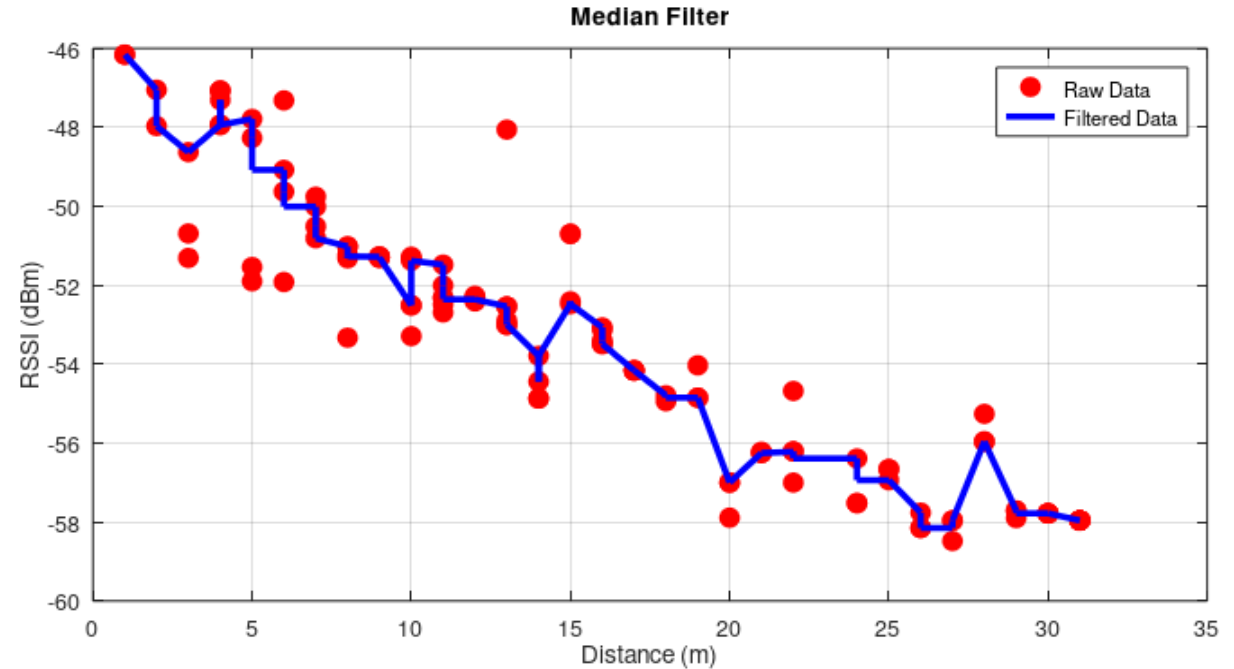
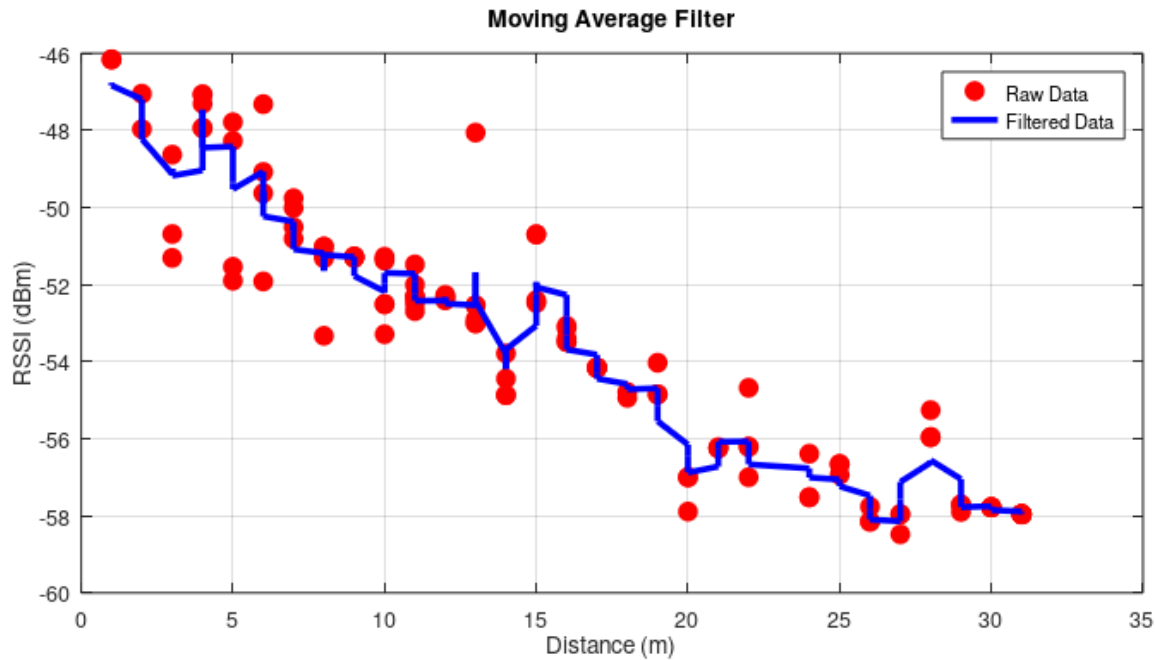
Detected Wi-Fi Channel

Signal Strength

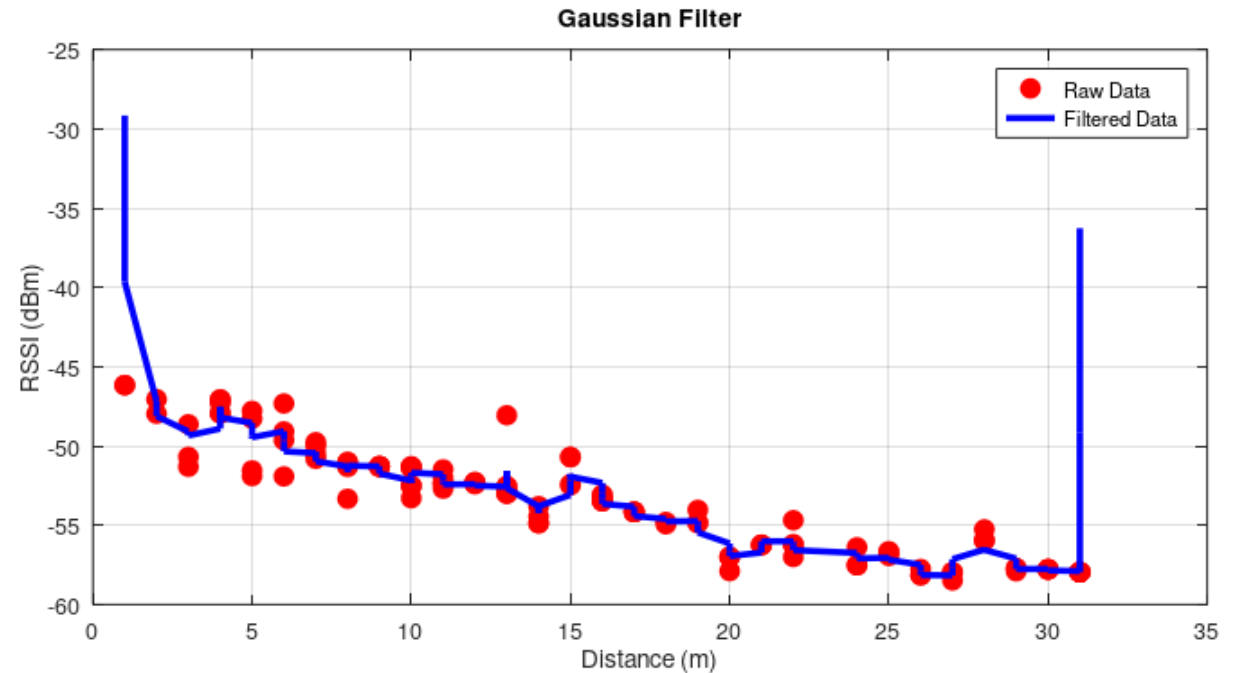
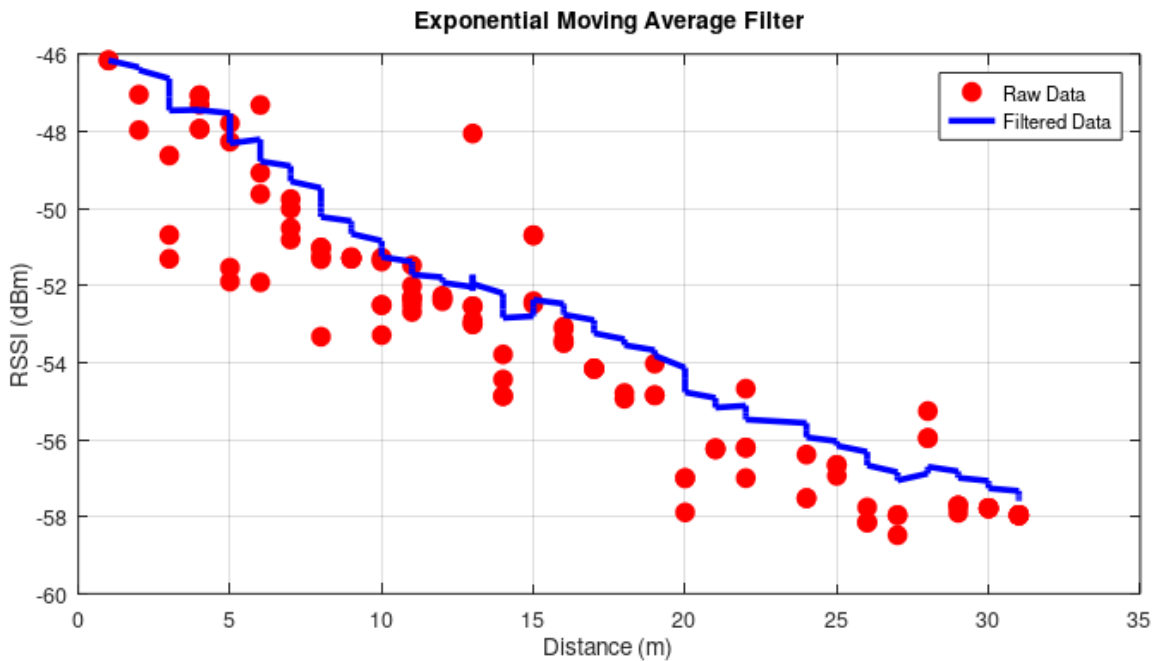
Timestamp



# Progress – 2. Data Filtering



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# Demonstration - Equation

$$RSSI(d) = P_t - 10n \log_{10}(d) \longrightarrow d = 10^{\frac{RSSI(d) - P_t}{-10n}}$$

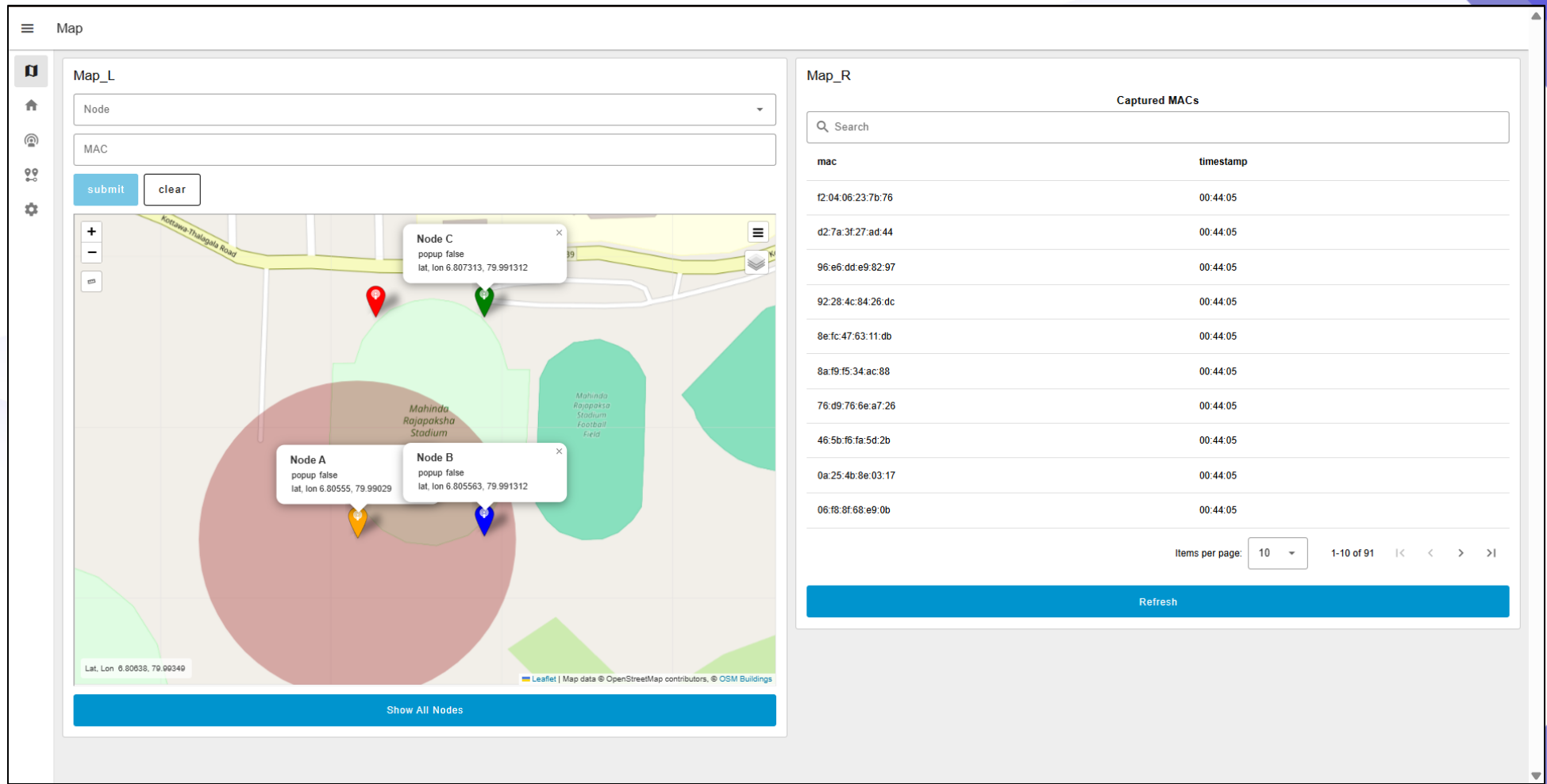
$P_t$  → Reference RSSI

$n$  → path loss exponent

$d$  → Distance

$RSSI(d)$  → Received signal strength

# Demonstration - Dashboard





# Progress – Hardware Implementation



- Hardware Procurement
  - Antennas
    - Wi-Fi ✓
    - Lo-Ra ✓
  - ESP32 Modules
    - Lo-Ra ✓
    - Detection Nodes ✓
  - Batteries ✓
- Enclosure
  - Design ✓
  - Print ✓
- Batter & power supply configurations - In progress
- LoRa Communication Module & Detection Module Integration - Pending

# Gantt Chart

Project name

Process	Months											
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Research and Planning												
Design and Development												
Prototyping and Testing												
Integration and Deployment												
Documentation and Reporting												
Testing and evaluation												
Final Presentation												

# Thank You !