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Predictive analysis of ambient conditions for crop growth using Internet Of Things

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Abstract:

In a rapidly developing country like India, which has the world's highest growing GDP Urbanization is being seen in every nook and corner of the country. The difference between the population density of the cities and rural areas are very high. The population of the cities are growing exponentially every year, because of which the agricultural farms in and around the cities are being converted into residential sky scrapers. The need and demand for crops and food is growing up but the area to grow is going down. Due to this alarming scenario, hydroponic agriculture has risen in popularity and practice. It is a form of agriculture in which the plants are grown with restricted water supply. In this work, we are growing coriander plant in a controlled environment with constant monitoring, the controlled environment being restricted water supply I.e Hydroponic farming. Various parameters like Soil pH, Moisture levels etc. are recorded on daily basis and made into a data set. This data set, then with the help of Supervised Machine Learning algorithms we are going to Co-Relate the data collected via IOT by the help of Regression Models ,find the trends within the taken parameters and give an idea as to which conditions give a better yield.

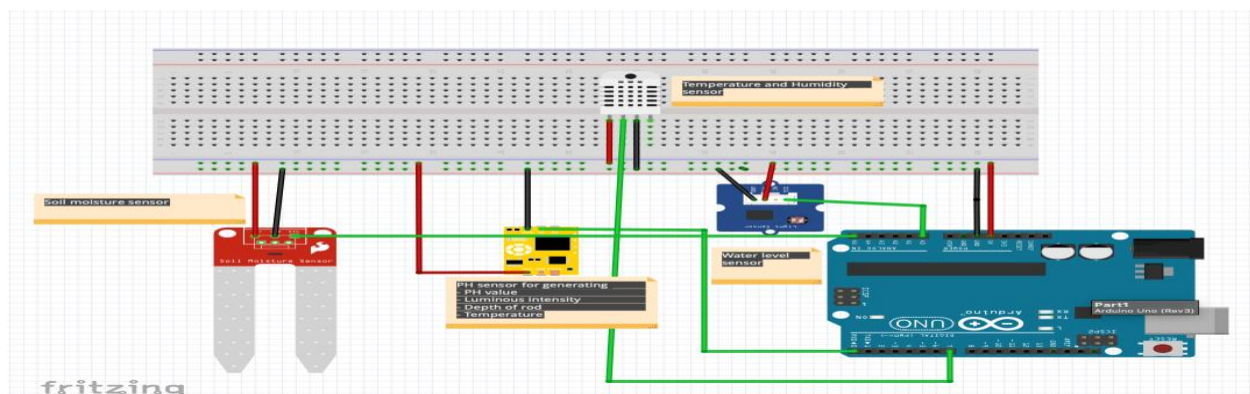
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System Architecture

Architecture Diagram

- **Water-Level Sensor** - A water-level sensor is a device used in the detection of the water level.
- **pH Sensor** - Optimal pH levels are critical to healthy plants and high yields in both soil and hydroponics gardening. Maintaining those optimal levels, especially in soilless growing systems, calls for frequent, accurate pH testing. Ideal pH levels maximize a plant's nutrient uptake. Those nutrients, in turn, increase a plant's vigor and productivity.
- **Soil Moisture Sensor** - This soil moisture sensor can be used to detect the moisture of soil or judge if there is water around the sensor, let's you know if the plants in the mesh pot require water or not.
- **DHT22 Temperature/Humidity Sensor** - The DHT22 is a humidity and temperature sensor with a single wire digital interface. The sensor is calibrated so you can get right to measuring relative humidity and temperature.
- **Luminous Intensity Sensor**- Helps to capture the amount of sunlight hitting the product

Circuit Diagram



Sensor connection from Arduino		
SENSOR	FROM	TO
PH SENSOR	TX	RX
	VCC	VCC
	GND	GND
DHT 22	VCC	VCC
	GND	GND
SOIL MOISTURE	DATA	A1
	VCC	VCC
	GND	GND
WATER LEVEL SENSOR	DATA	A2
	VCC	VCC
	GND	GND

Methodology Adapted

Hydroponic Farming

In the present fast pace world, the form of hydroponic farming is taking over. The ongoing research paved new ways and paths for a better and substantial way of farming. Noticing the ways and researching the present trends, mainly followed in metropolitan cities and technologically advanced countries makes lives a lot easier in terms of hydroponic farming. The work done by us addresses the key issues of automation and IoT integration into the way of sustainable farming in constraints such as limited water supply and space.

Necessity for automation

The work being done needs constant monitoring as various sensors are used in an confined and controlled environment. But as Human Beings, we tend to make mistakes. To avoid such mistakes that in other ways cannot be avoided, automation is the way. With the help of Arduino , ESP 8266 and Aurd Spread Sheet the reading from the sensors are directly stored into the spreads sheet with almost no error. The readings are recorded once every 10 minutes which without automation requires a immense amount of man power which intern may lead to loss or errors in recorded results.

Climate Maintained

Farming mainly depends on ambient climatic conditions but the city environment is not suitable for the growth of crops in the traditional way. For our work as we targeted the metropolitan cities we made sure that the temperature range varied from 28 degree Celsius to 36 degree Celsius. In hydroponic farming, the crops are not exposed to sunlight throughout. Rather than exposing them to sunlight throughout, we made sure that an adequate sunlight was available which in the day reaches approximately 240 candela and in the night for the integrity of the results, we made sure no light from any source was available which resulted in 0 candela. Speaking about the soil moisture, for better understating of the impact of moisture retention of the soil we grew the crops in early summer because of which there is humidity in the air than normal. The humidity varied from 40 percent to 80 percent which is the normal range in a coastal city.

Data Analysis

All the information collected from the sensors is stored in the personal systems directly rather than cloud as cloud is heavily dependent upon an uninterrupted internet connection which sometimes may not be possible. The data collected is stored and processed with the help of python to create results which help in better understanding of the data.

Proposed System

An innovative form of hydroponic farming is used. Coco pit is used as an soil replacement as the water retention capacity is much higher in this compared to general soil. The coco pit is connected to water supply which is regulated. Six different sensors are connected to the system. The sensors being, pH sensor which monitors the pH of the water in the coco pit. The water in coco pit pH initially at the time of laying it down was 6.5. The second sensor used is Luminous Intensity Sensor. This sensor monitors the amount of luminescence around the setup. The third sensor is Humidity sensor, this sensor monitors the humidity in the surroundings of the setup. Next sensor used was temperature sensor, this sensor monitors the temperature of the surroundings. The fifth sensor used was soil moisture sensor, this sensor measured the amount of moisture in coco pit throughout the experiment. The final sensor used is water level sensor, this sensor measures the amount of water provided to the system daily. The seeds used were coriander seeds as they take less time to grow which afforded us a chance to cross verify the results by repeating the experiment.

Table1: Regression within parameters in a hydroponic system for initial phase of crop Growth

PARAMETER VS PARAMETER	PH	SUNLIGHT	HUMIDITY	TEMPERATURE	SOILMOISTURE	WATER LEVEL
PH	X	MAE=26.54 MASE=1702.59 RMSE=41.26 R2=-0.00288	MAE=3.13 MASE=17.055 RMSE=4.1298 R2= 0.03718	MAE=0.9522 MASE=2.0584 RMSE=1.43474 R2=-0.003785	MAE=0.9161 MASE=1.1950 RMSE=1.0931 R2=-0.011836	MAE= 11.9423. MASE= 233.031 RMSE= 15.265 R2=-0.0039
SUNLIGHT	MAE=0.3905 MASE= 0.2885 RMSE= 0.5371 R2= - 0.00707	X	MAE= 2.9133 MASE= 16.551 RMSE= 4.0683 R2= 0.0650	MAE= 0.7492 MASE= 1.268 RMSE= 1.126 R2= 0.145	MAE=0.902 MASE=1.160 RMSE= 1.077 R2=-0.0417	MAE=1.0388 MASE= 1.521 RMSE= 1.233 R2=0.078
HUMIDITY	MAE=0.3817 MASE=0.253 RMSE= 0.503 R2=-0.0074	MAE=21.29 MASE= 1630.14 RMSE= 40.375 R2= 0.157	X	MAE= 0.831 MASE= 1.205 RMSE= 1.097 R2= 0.517	MAE=0.875 MASE=1.06 RMSE=1.033 R2= -0.0056	MAE=9.843 MASE=174.68 RMSE=13.21 R2=0.0941
TEMPERATURE	MAE=0.409 MASE=0.316 RMSE= 0.562 R2=0.0032	MAE=22.06 MASE=1529.58 RMSE=39.109 R2=0.216	MAE=2.64 MASE=10.3 RMSE=3.214 R2=0.505	X	MAE=0.9160 MASE=1.190 RMSE=1.090 R2=-0.012	MAE=9.714 MASE=168.86 RMSE=12.99 R2=0.087
SOILMOISTURE	MAE= 0.389 MASE= 0.278 RMSE= 0.527 R2= - -0.0094	MAE=24.12 MASE= 1462.23 RMSE= 38.23 R2=0.0032	MAE= 0.933 MASE=2.1119 RMSE= 1.453 R2= -0.0231	MAE=2.890 MASE=15.77 RMSE= 3.97 R2=- 0.018	X	MAE=11.212 MASE=229.93 RMSE= 15.16 R2= -0.0049
WATER LEVEL	MAE= 0.339 MASE=0.232 RMSE=0.4819 R2=0.0221	MAE= 22.450 MASE= 1350.67 RMSE= 36.75 R2= 0.190	MAE= 3.35 MASE=2.043 RMSE=1.4296 R2=0.0010	MAE=3.356 MASE=18.41 RMSE=4.29 R2=0.039	MAE=0.797 MASE=1.540 RMSE= 1.240 R2= 0.0032	X

Expected Results

Just like our linear regression table we will be performing regressions within our parameters to evaluate the correlation between the parameters.

This will be performed for all 3 phases of farming and also for the complete dataset and the evaluation parameters will be explained with graphical representation.

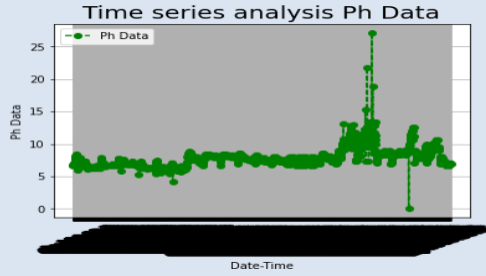
The evaluation parameters used for our project we will be calculating Mean Absolute Error (MAE), Root Mean Square Error (MASE), Root Mean Square Log Error (RMSE), R Squared (R²).

We will also be doing a comparative study between multiple regression models.

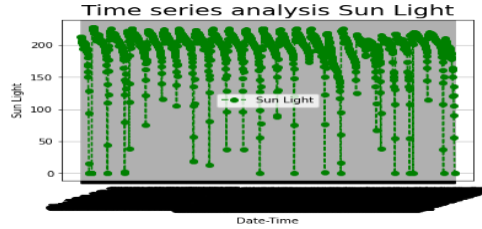
With respect to hardware component we will be incorporating a water pump with water supply and GUI interface to provide water to the crops. This will provide a completely automated hydroponic system.

Implementation

Dataset Collection

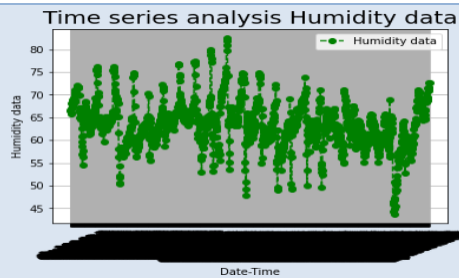
PARAMETERS	CHART	OBSERVATION
PH		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minimum value recorded is 5.5 on the ph scale and this was recorded during the Initial phase of the experiment. The maximum recorded is 13 and it was recorded during the growth phase due to the addition of mineral water to the water supply, it became more basic. After the growth phase we supplied general water again so, the pH dropped gradually making it more neutral. Ideally the crop grows in soil's with a PH value of 7-8 which has been followed in the hydroponic system.

LUMINOUS INTENSITY

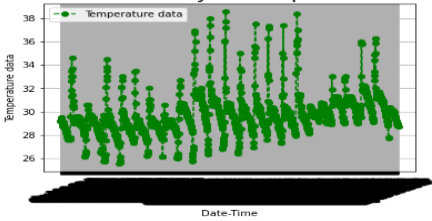
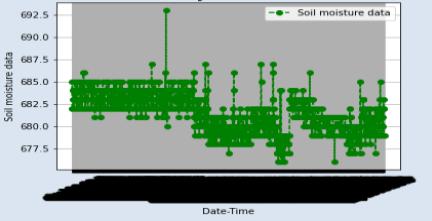


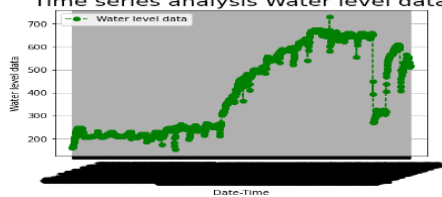
- The least recorded is Zero as during the night, it is made sure that the experimental setup is not exposed to any form of light energy.
- The highest value recorded is around 250 candela during the day.
- The recorded values only account for the amount of sunlight received by the crop.
- Ideally the crops grown in field receives sunlight from 225-250 candela which has been the case for an hydroponic system as well.

HUMIDITY



- The humidity in the surroundings of the setup.
- As the experiment setup was in a coastal city, the humidity is relatively high but is under the normal humidity levels for the city.
- The lowest recorded is 45% and the highest is around 80%.
- To make sure that the humidity level doesn't go overboard, we

		<p>conducted the experiment during early summer.</p>
<p>TEMPERATURE</p>	<p>Time series analysis Temperature data</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The temperature kept on raising during the experiment gradually. • The lowest recorded temperature was 26 degree Celsius and highest was 36 degree Celsius. • The lowest average temperature was during the initial phase and the highest average was during the harvesting phase. • The ideal temperature for crops the grow is 28-32 degrees which has been mostly observed in our system.
<p>SOIL MOISTURE</p>	<p>Time series analysis Soil moisture data</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the initial phase the moisture level was between 682-686. • The moisture level was highest during the growth phase which ranges between 680-692. • The moisture level during the harvest phase is lowest in

		<p>terms of average, its range varies from 676-680.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil moisture is normally very high in a hydroponic system and even with high temperature the coco pit was able to retain moisture and keep the soil moisture constant throughout the growth of the crop.
WATER LEVEL	<p>Time series analysis Water level data</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The water level gradually increases till the growth phase and decreases there on. • The water level during the initial phase was between 160 and 240ml, during growth phase it is between 200ml and 650ml. • During the harvest phase, the water level required is low , it ranges from 200-500ml. • The trends were similar to crops grown in fields hence it will be ideal for plants to grow easily In a city based hydroponic system.

Range of parameters

PARAMETER	MAX	MIN
PH	27.13	0
LUMINOUS INTENSITY	228	0
HUMIDITY	82.5	43.6
TEMPERATURE	38.6	25.5
SOIL MOISTURE	693	676
WATER LEVEL	731	153

Dataset Description

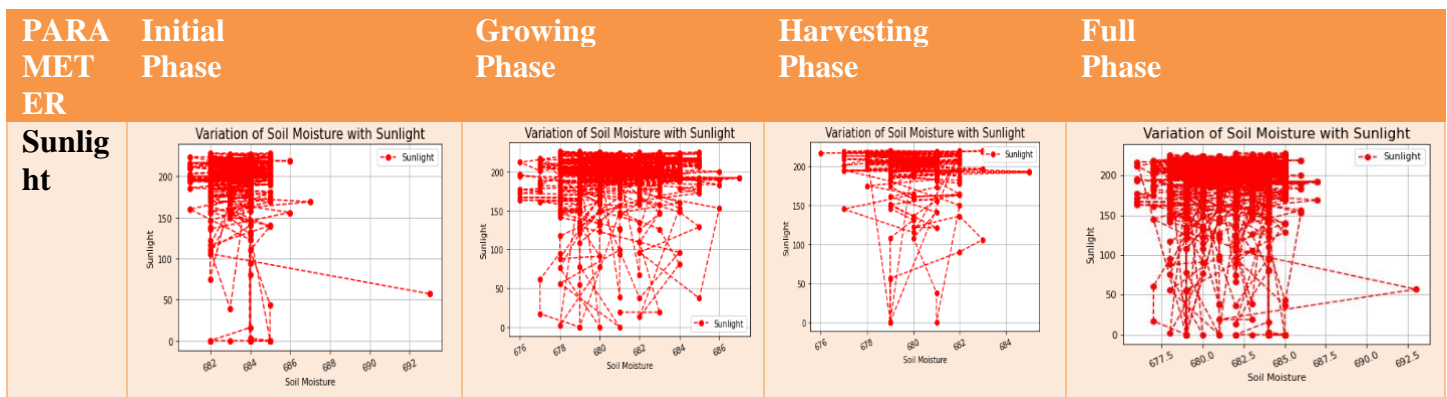
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Attribute Information

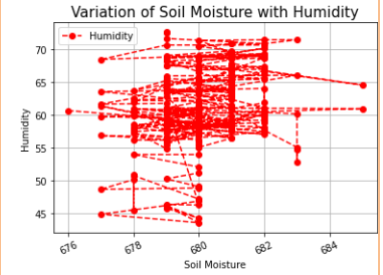
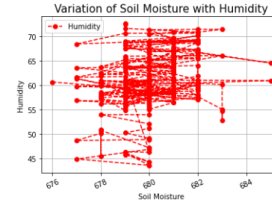
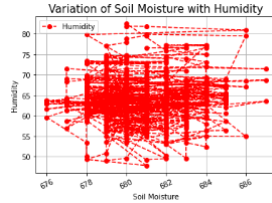
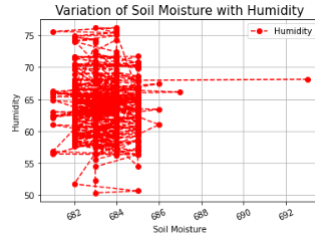
- 1) Day(1-28)
- 2) Timestamp(HH:MM:SS)
- 3) Ph value
- 4) Luminous intensity
- 5) Humidity
- 6) Temperature
- 7) Water level
- 8) Soil Moisture

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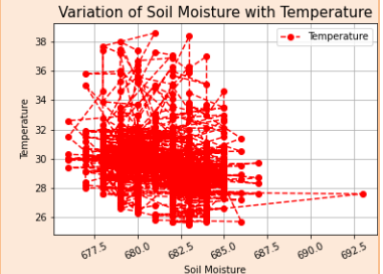
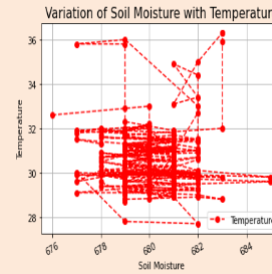
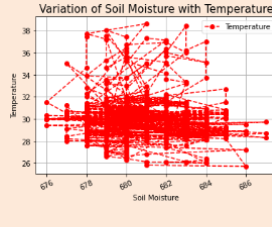
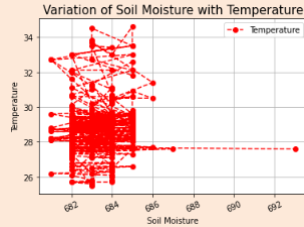
Linear Variation of Soil Moisture with parameters



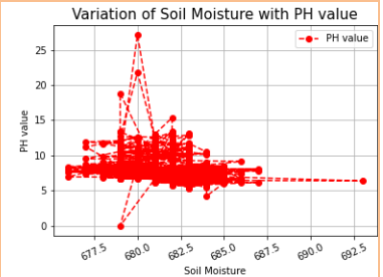
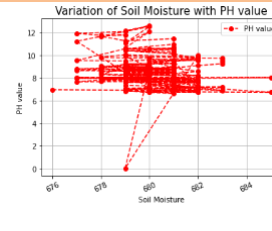
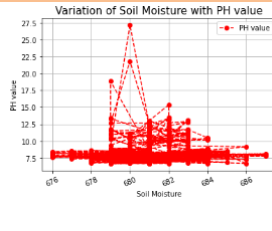
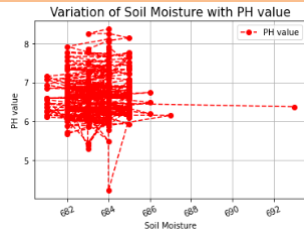
Humidity



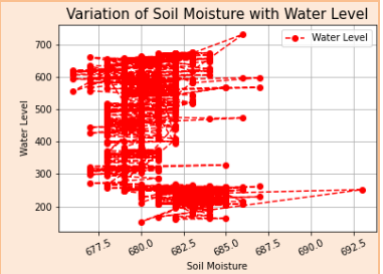
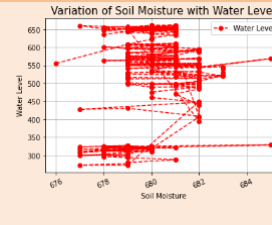
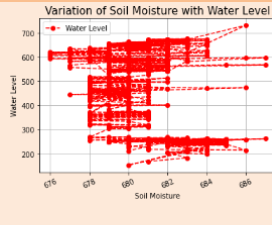
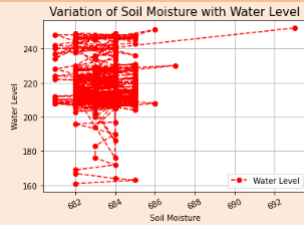
Temperature



PH



Water Level



Hardware Implementation

Arduino Code

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#define DHTPIN 7
#define DHTTYPE DHT22
DHT dht(DHTPIN, DHTTYPE);
int chk;
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float hum; //Stores humidity value
float temp; //Stores temperature value
int soilMoistVal() {
    int sensorValue = analogRead(A14);
    return sensorValue;
}
void phValue() {
    float a, b, c, d;
    String str = Serial.readString();
    int str_len = str.length() + 1;
    char str[str_len];
    str.toCharArray(str, str_len);
    for (int i = 0, j; str[i] != '\0'; ++i) {
        while (!(str[i] >= '0' && str[i] <= '9') && !(str[i] == '\0') && !(str[i] == ',') && !(str[i] == '.'))
        {
            for (j = i; str[j] != '\0'; ++j) {
                str[j] = str[j + 1];
            }
            str[j] = '\0';
        }
    }
    int k = 0;
    char* token = strtok(str, ",");
    a = atof(token);
    token = strtok(NULL, ",");
    b = atof(token);
    token = strtok(NULL, ",");
    c = atof(token);
    token = strtok(NULL, ",");
    d = atof(token);
    token = strtok(NULL, ",");

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Serial.print(a);
Serial.print("\t");
Serial.print(b);
Serial.print("\t");
Serial.print(c);
Serial.print("\t");
Serial.print(d);
Serial.print("\t");
}

int waterLevel() {
    const int sensorMin = 0;
    const int sensorMax = 1024;
    int sensorReading = analogRead(A0);
    int range = map(sensorReading, sensorMin, sensorMax, 0, 3);
    return sensorReading;
}

void setup() {
    Serial.begin(9600);
    dht.begin();
}

void loop() {
    float* reqVal;
    hum = dht.readHumidity();
    temp = dht.readTemperature();
    int valSensorSoil = soilMoistVal();
    int valSensorWaterLevel = waterLevel();
    phValue();
    Serial.print(hum);//B
    Serial.print("\t");
    Serial.print(temp);//C

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Serial.print("\t");  
Serial.print(valSensorSoil);//D  
Serial.print("\t");  
Serial.print(valSensorWaterLevel);//E  
Serial.print("\t");  
Serial.println();  
//delay(2000); // 2 seconds  
delay(600000); //10 minutes  
}
```

Details of Hardware and Software

Hardware requirements

- Arduino Mega 2560
- Temperature sensor (DHT-22)
- Humidity Sensor (DHT-22)
- Water Level Sensor
- Soil Moisture Sensor
- PH Sensor
- Luminous Intensity Sensor
- WIFI module (ESP 8266)
- Breadboard
- Jumper wires
- Pump
- Water Tube
- 5V motor
- 5V power supply

Software requirements

- Python Version 3.9.0
- Sklearn (Machine learning Library and Evaluation)
- Pandas (Handling CSV files)

- Numpy (Handling Arrays in python)
- Arduino Software (To upload code to UNO board)
- MAC OS version 11.6 128GB storage
- VS code editor

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