

**IoT based**

**Smart Soil Nutrition Monitoring System For Sustainable Agriculture**

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# Executive Summary

A newly developed IoT-based system for utilizing agricultural productivity by effectively monitoring environmental and soil conditions was employed in this project. It supports several sensors such as DHT22 for temperature and humidity and emulated NPK sensors for determining soil nutrient levels. All of these sensors work together to ensure that farmers can do the right things at the right time with real time data. Temperature and Humidity Monitoring with DHT22 sensor It samples every 2 seconds to provide uninterrupted data. Data for temperature, humidity and weather conditions are used for this purpose, with high temperature (> 38°C) and low humidity (< 35% humidity) alerts being configured as one of those alerts types. These alerts notify farmers when to take appropriate actions - such as irrigation - to shield their crops from drought and maintain optimal growth conditions.

The hand in glove (stenocardia) receiving the information is the simulated NPK sensors, offering,nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium levels in the soil All of these nutrients are essential to the growth of plants and must be present at specific levels to assure soil fertility. The system reads these sensor values over analog and uses default values if there are no readings. From the NPK values, the soil gets to be labelled as low nutrient, medium nutrient or high nutrient soil,helping in soil management and fertilization practices.

The combination of these sensors in one system enables the continuous analysis of environmental as well as soil- properties. It is an essential integration for precision agriculture - data-driven decision-making at every step of crop production that maximizes resource use efficiency, environmental sustainability, and crop productivity - Agroeconomic planning environment referred to above.Because the system enables real-time data, farmers can respond quickly to changes in conditions and maintain the perfect water and nutrient supply levels for their crops.

Additionally, the system is built for Accessibility as well as Reliability. Sensors are linked to a main microcontroller, which deals with the information and projects outcomes onto a screen in an easy to use set-up. This configuration is specially designed so farmers with little if any technical know-how can take advantage of the monitoring capabilities of the system.

The project shows how the use of IoT technology in agriculture can bring remarkable advantages. It uses up-to-date data on weather and the environment, as well as soil characteristics, to provide farmers with reliable estimates directly in the field, so they can, for example, save resources, reduce waste or improve their yield. Using real-time data can direct decision-making more accurate and efficient because it is based on recent data to the current circumstance rather than approximations or data from the past.

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# Project Objective:

In this project we will display data stores by multiple sensors using ESP32 and wokvi wifi. It is a system that includes different sensors to evaluate the environmental and soil conditions with the data delivered in real time to help decision-making in agricultural management and optimization. The specific goals include:

**Temperature and Humidity Monitoring :**

Use a DHT22 to take continuous readings of temperature and humidity levels and write them to a log This knowledge will also contribute to the knowledge of microclimatic conditions necessary for the health and productivity of plants. Checking system in case of high Temp, Balanced Liquid level, Low humidity for comparison to support operation like irrigation or shading.

**Soil Nutrient Analysis:**

Input reads (nitrates / phosphates / sulphates): This is simulating an NPK (Nitrogen Phosphurous Potassium) sensor (as analog inputs) Set up a standard nutrition stage to cope with cases wherein sensor readings is probably zero because of faults or disconnections. The models determine what nutrients are available in the soil, which allows the system to classify the soil type in terms of soil fertility which can inform farmers and gardeners on when and where to use fertilizers and seeding.

**Integration and Data Logging:**

Write a program which reads data of DHT22 and NPK and display then using a Serial Monitor, all in one single system.The system should also deliver valuable alerts and suggestions derived from the sensor reads helping you accelerate to effect and push timelymand orderly decision making.

**User Interface (UI) & User Experience (UX):**

Give real time data and alerts clean way on serial monitor. Create a setup process that establishes all sensors and checks functionality to ensure proper operation of the monitoring system.Blynk gives the data that is read from the sensor and shown in the mobile app .

**Fertilizer analysis:**

This project includes functionality to provide fertilizer suggestions based on the measured levels of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium in the soil.It then provides recommendations for specific types and amounts of fertilizers that can help balance the nutrient levels. For instance: If nitrogen is low: Recommend a nitrogen-rich fertilizer like urea. If phosphorus is low: Suggest a phosphorus-rich fertilizer like superphosphate. If potassium is low: Advise using a potassium-rich fertilizer such as potassium sulfate.

# Scope:

This project’s scope is about designing an integrated environmental monitoring system by using various sensor technologies in order to measure agricultural parameters that are important. The DHT22 sensor measures the temperature and humidity. Besides, the system also includes NPK simulated sensors for soil nutrient analysis.

DHT22 – Ambient temperature and humidity monitor which shows weather forecasting information based on local area weather services.It helps you keep track of current temperatures inside your house, but it also provides updates on what’s going on outside too And if those numbers aren’t enough to get you excited about this little device- just think about how much water could be saved through better conservation practices such as reusing greywater instead of flushing toilets with fresh drinking water every time someone has peed.

The Nitrogen (N), Phosphorus (P) and Potassium (K) sensors that are simulated through analog inputs measure soil nutrient levels necessary for plant growth. Without any signals from the sensors, this system divides the soil nutrient contents into three namely high-nutrient-soil, medium-nutrient-soil and low-nutrient-soil by using default values.

This combined system provides an integrated overview of environmental factors affecting agricultural productivity. Continuous monitoring and reporting facilitates rational irrigation decisions, fertilization and cropping systems management. The proposed project entails initial setup as well as coding aspects with prospects for expansion further down to include integration with wider agricultural management systems that support precision agriculture thereby boosting crop yields.

# Methadology:

This project will combine multiple sensors to monitor environmental and soil conditions by using DHT22 sensor and simulated NPK sensors. The methodology consists of three stages: design, setup, and execution.

**Design Phase :**

The project describes the sensors and pin configurations. Temperature and humidity are measured by a DHT22 sensor connected to digital pin 26. Nitrogen (N), Phosphorous (P) and Potassium (K) are represented by simulated NPK sensors that are respectively linked to analog pins 34,35,36. This arrangement is for all round monitoring of environmental and soil conditions.

**Setup Phase :**

During this phase the system starts up .Serial communication is set at 115200 baud for data transmission .The DHT22 starts taking readings of temperature and humidity.

**Execution Phase:**

Sensor readings and data processing operations are continuously performed in the loop function. At every two-second interval, temperature and humidity are read by the DHT22 sensor which checks for erroneous readings or prints them on the Serial Monitor. Alerts are triggered when necessary for high temperatures or low humidity. These NPK values can be analogously read as simulated. If there is not any reading, default values must be employed. Soil type is determined by NPK values and classified as low, medium or high-nutrient soil .

**Data Analysis and Output:**

The collected data is printed to the Serial Monitor for real-time monitoring and analysis. This methodology ensures robust data collection, accurate sensor readings, insightful analysis that make it applicable for environmental monitoring and agricultural applications.

# Project artifacts:

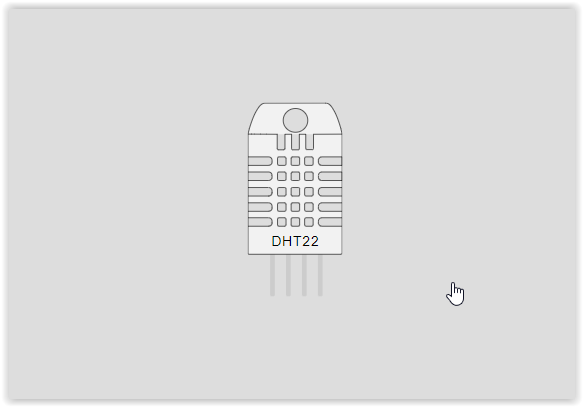
A few key artefacts are employed in the project to monitor environmental conditions, stressing temperature, humidity, distance and soil nutrient levels. The hardware components consist of DHT22 sensor for measuring temperature , humidity and simulating NPK sensors in the assessment of soil nutrients specifically nitrogen phosphate and potassium.

Figure : 1

The digital readout of humidity and temperature can be achieved by employing DHT22 sensor connected on pin 4 that helps the system to know the weather condition around it thereby enabling it to take precautionary measures. The data from this device is essential in deciding whether or not specific actions like watering are needed because they indicate high temperatures or low humidity when required.

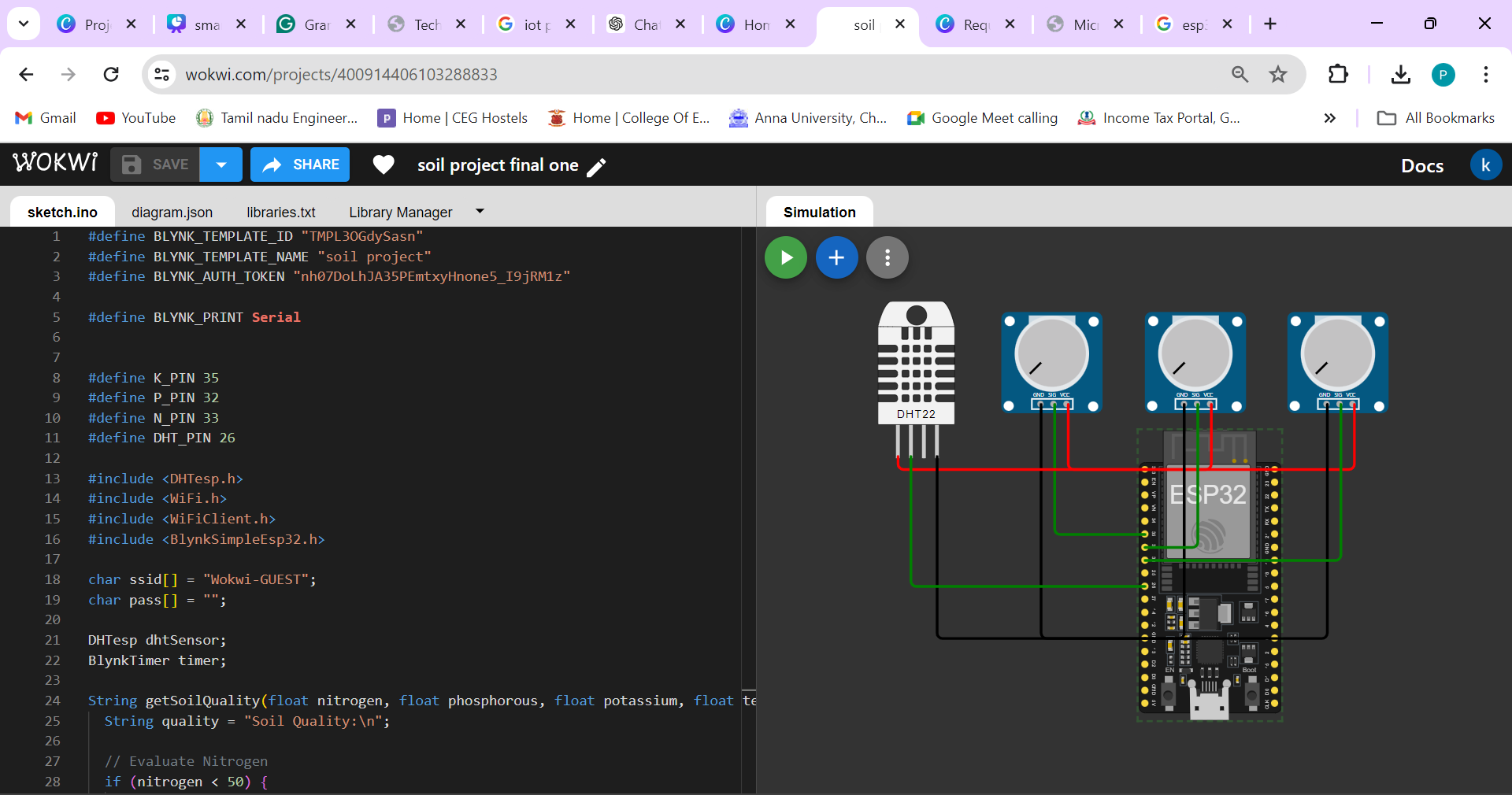
3 potentiometres are used as NPK sensor. For instance, the simulated.NPK sensors’ values can be read from these pins 34, 35 and 36 which represent nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium in soil. These are used in assessing soil fertility as well as nutrient availability within the respective soils and thus the system can classify it depending on some thresholds for nutrients that are defined prior to its operation. In case of no actual sensor reading, these sensors default to 100 (nitrogen), 15(phosphorus and 200 (potassium) to activate the system.

Figure:2

Figure:3

These sensors are managed through software components run by an ESP32 microcontroller. First of all, the DHT22 is configured and later on there is a loop that reads data from them. Data is then sent via Serial Monitor while at the same time showing real-time feedback about environmental conditions or healthiness of soil.

# Technical coverage:

**Functional description:**

**Temperature and Humidity Monitoring:**

Reads and displays current temperature and humidity, with alerts for extreme conditions.

**NPK Sensor Simulation:**

Simulates NPK sensor readings for soil nutrients, categorizing soil type based on predefined thresholds.

**Serial Communication:**

Sends all data and alerts to the serial monitor for real-time observation and debugging. These functions collectively enable real-time environmental monitoring and soil analysis, crucial for applications ranging from agriculture to smart home automation.

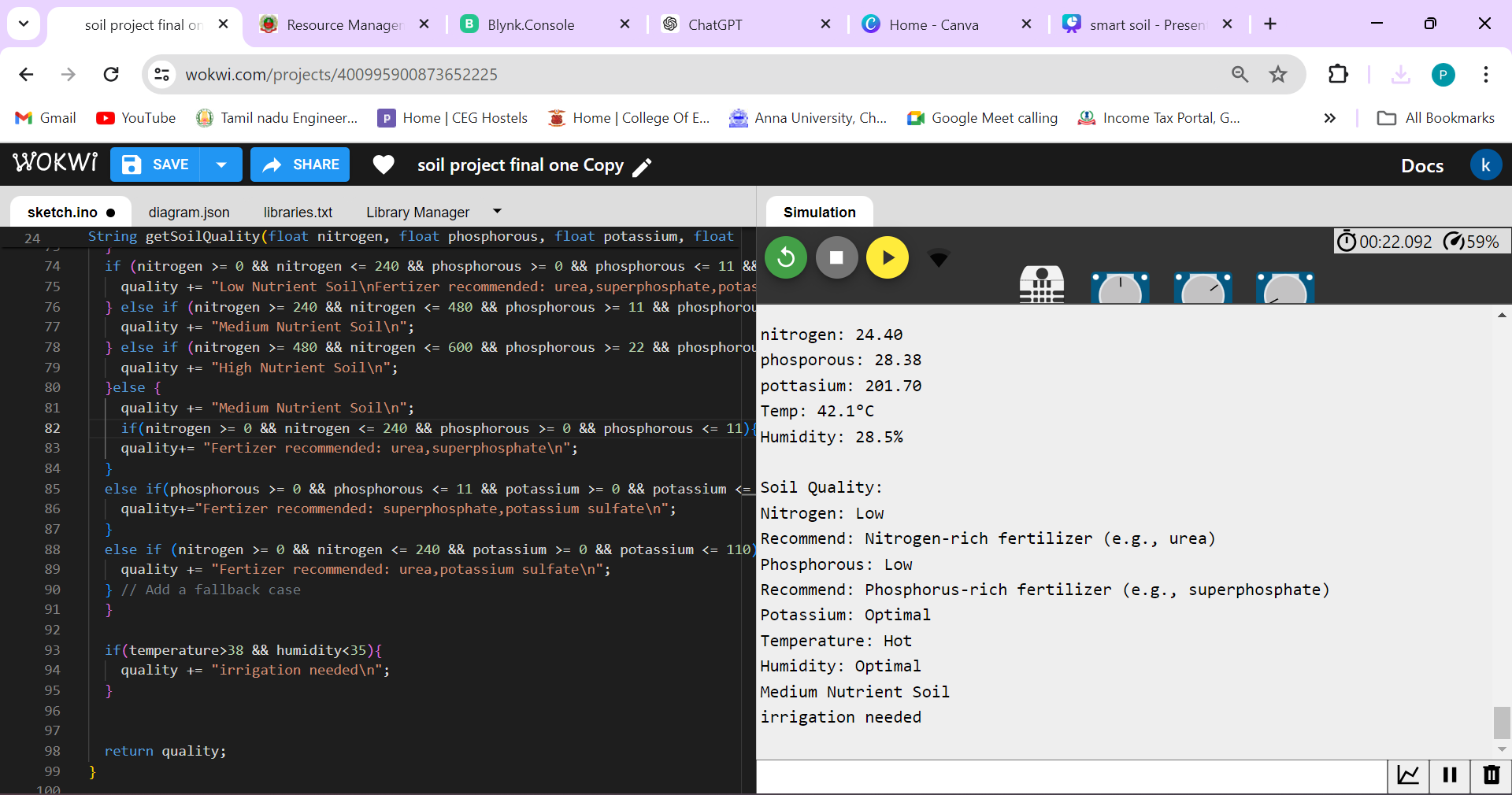


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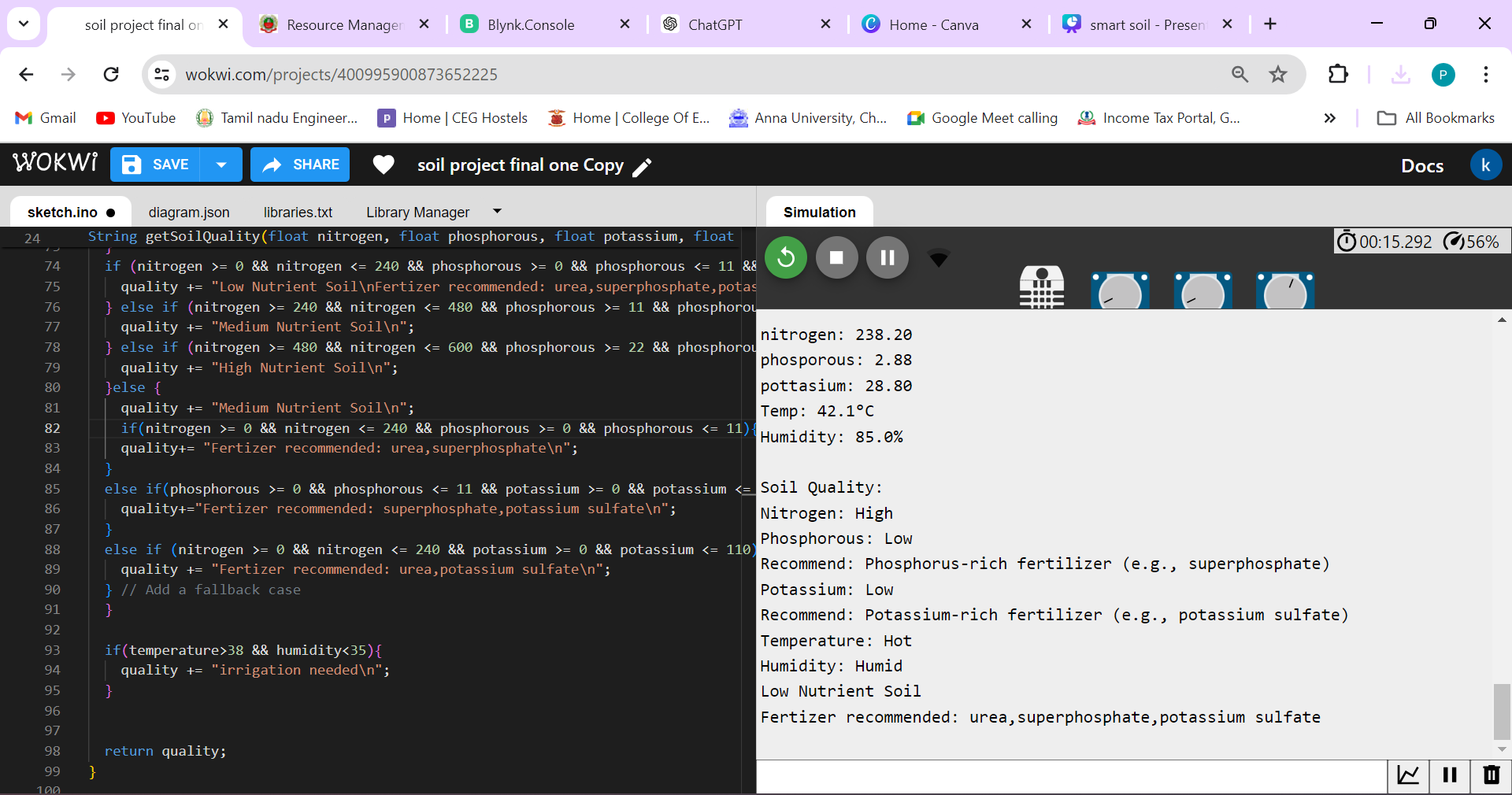
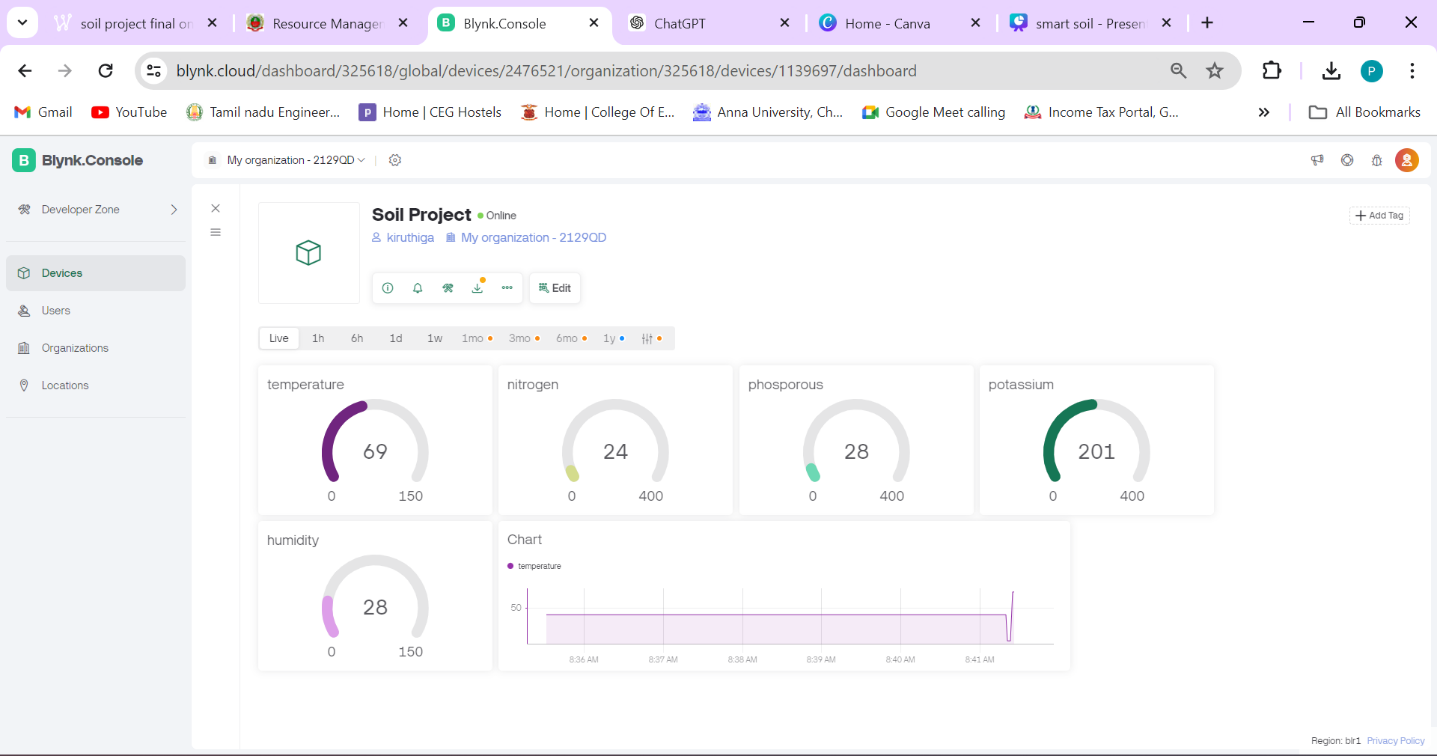


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# Circuit diagram:

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**BLYNK WEB CONSOLE:**

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**Fertilizer Suggestions Based on Soil Nutrient Levels:**

**Sensor Data Reading:**

Nitrogen (N), Phosphorus (P), and Potassium (K) levels are measured using the respective soil sensors connected to the ESP32. These sensors provide analog readings that are converted into meaningful units.

**Data Processing and Analysis:**

The analog values from the NPK sensors are read periodically.These values are converted from raw analog readings into concentrations (e.g., parts per million or another relevant unit).

**Fertilizer Suggestion Logic:**

Based on predefined thresholds or ranges for optimal soil nutrient levels, the system evaluates the current nutrient levels.

**The thresholds might look like this:**

Nitrogen: Low (<240 kg/ha), Medium (240-480 kg/ha), High (>480 kg/ha) Phosphorus: Low (<11 kg/ha), Medium (11-22 kg/ha), High (>22 kg/ha) Potassium: Low (<110 kg/ha), Medium (110-280 kg/ha), High (>280 kg/ha)

**Decision Making:** The system determines if any of the nutrient levels are below the optimal range and identifies which nutrients are deficient.

**Communication of Suggestions:**

The fertilizer suggestions are sent to the Blynk app via virtual pins. This allows users to receive real-time recommendations on their smartphones or other devices connected to the Blynk project.Additionally, the suggestions can be printed to the Serial Monitor for local monitoring and debugging.By,continuously monitoring soil nutrient levels and providing tailored fertilizer recommendations, this system helps ensure optimal soil health and plant growth, making it easier for users to manage their soil fertility effectively.

**SKETCH.INO:**

**#define BLYNK\_TEMPLATE\_ID "TMPL3OGdySasn"**

**#define BLYNK\_TEMPLATE\_NAME "soil project"**

**#define BLYNK\_AUTH\_TOKEN "nh07DoLhJA35PEmtxyHnone5\_I9jRM1z"**

**#define BLYNK\_PRINT Serial**

**#define K\_PIN 35**

**#define P\_PIN 32**

**#define N\_PIN 33**

**#define DHT\_PIN 26**

**#include <DHTesp.h>**

**#include <WiFi.h>**

**#include <WiFiClient.h>**

**#include <BlynkSimpleEsp32.h>**

**char ssid[] = "Wokwi-GUEST";**

**char pass[] = "";**

**DHTesp dhtSensor;**

**BlynkTimer timer;**

**String getSoilQuality(float nitrogen, float phosphorous, float potassium, float temperature, float humidity) {**

**String quality = "Soil Quality:\n";**

**// Evaluate Nitrogen**

**if (nitrogen < 240) {**

**quality += "Nitrogen: Low\n";**

**quality += "Recommend: Nitrogen-rich fertilizer (e.g., urea)\n";**

**} else if (nitrogen <= 480) {**

**quality += "Nitrogen: Optimal\n";**

**} else {**

**quality += "Nitrogen: High\n";**

**}**

**// Evaluate Phosphorous**

**if (phosphorous < 11) {**

**quality += "Phosphorous: Low\n";**

**quality += "Recommend: Phosphorus-rich fertilizer (e.g., superphosphate)\n";**

**} else if (phosphorous <= 22) {**

**quality += "Phosphorous: Optimal\n";**

**} else {**

**quality += "Phosphorous: High\n";**

**}**

**// Evaluate Potassium**

**if (potassium < 110) {**

**quality += "Potassium: Low\n";**

**quality += "Recommend: Potassium-rich fertilizer (e.g., potassium sulfate)\n";**

**} else if (potassium <= 280) {**

**quality += "Potassium: Optimal\n";**

**} else {**

**quality += "Potassium: High\n";**

**}**

**// Evaluate Temperature**

**if (temperature < 15) {**

**quality += "Temperature: Cold\n";**

**} else if (temperature <= 30) {**

**quality += "Temperature: Optimal\n";**

**} else {**

**quality += "Temperature: Hot\n";**

**}**

**// Evaluate Humidity**

**if (humidity < 20) {**

**quality += "Humidity: Dry\n";**

**} else if (humidity <= 60) {**

**quality += "Humidity: Optimal\n";**

**} else {**

**quality += "Humidity: Humid\n";**

**}**

**if (nitrogen >= 0 && nitrogen <= 240 && phosphorous >= 0 && phosphorous <= 11 && potassium >= 0 && potassium <=110 ) {**

**quality += "Low Nutrient Soil\nFertizer recommended: urea,superphosphate,potassium sulfate\n";**

**} else if (nitrogen >= 240 && nitrogen <= 480 && phosphorous >= 11 && phosphorous <= 22 && potassium >= 110 && potassium <= 280) {**

**quality += "Medium Nutrient Soil\n";**

**} else if (nitrogen >= 480 && nitrogen <= 600 && phosphorous >= 22 && phosphorous <= 600 && potassium >= 280 && potassium <= 600) {**

**quality += "High Nutrient Soil\n";**

**}else {**

**quality += "Medium Nutrient Soil\n";**

**if(nitrogen >= 0 && nitrogen <= 240 && phosphorous >= 0 && phosphorous <= 11){**

**quality+= "Fertizer recommended: urea,superphosphate\n";**

**}**

**else if(phosphorous >= 0 && phosphorous <= 11 && potassium >= 0 && potassium <= 110){**

**quality+="Fertizer recommended: superphosphate,potassium sulfate\n";**

**}**

**else if (nitrogen >= 0 && nitrogen <= 240 && potassium >= 0 && potassium <= 110) {**

**quality += "Fertizer recommended: urea,potassium sulfate\n";**

**} // Add a fallback case**

**}**

**if(temperature>38 && humidity<35){**

**quality += "irrigation needed\n";**

**}**

**return quality;**

**}**

**void myTimer() {**

**int NVal = analogRead(N\_PIN);**

**int PVal = analogRead(P\_PIN);**

**int KVal = analogRead(K\_PIN);**

**float nitrogen = NVal / 10.0;**

**float phosphorous = PVal / 100.0;**

**float potassium = KVal / 10.0;**

**TempAndHumidity data = dhtSensor.getTempAndHumidity();**

**Blynk.virtualWrite(V0, data.temperature);**

**Blynk.virtualWrite(V1, nitrogen);**

**Blynk.virtualWrite(V2, phosphorous);**

**Blynk.virtualWrite(V3, potassium);**

**Blynk.virtualWrite(V4, data.humidity);**

**Serial.print("nitrogen: ");**

**Serial.println(nitrogen);**

**Serial.print("phosporous: ");**

**Serial.println(phosphorous);**

**Serial.print("pottasium: ");**

**Serial.println(potassium);**

**Serial.println("Temp: " + String(data.temperature, 1) + "°C");**

**Serial.println("Humidity: " + String(data.humidity, 1) + "%\n");**

**String soilQuality = getSoilQuality(nitrogen, phosphorous, potassium, data.temperature, data.humidity);**

**Serial.println(soilQuality);**

**}**

**void setup() {**

**Serial.begin(115200);**

**Blynk.begin(BLYNK\_AUTH\_TOKEN, ssid, pass);**

**pinMode(N\_PIN, INPUT);**

**pinMode(P\_PIN, INPUT);**

**pinMode(K\_PIN, INPUT);**

**dhtSensor.setup(DHT\_PIN, DHTesp::DHT22);**

**timer.setInterval(1000L, myTimer);**

**}**

**void loop() {**

**Blynk.run();**

**timer.run();**

**}**

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**LIBRARIES USED:**

# Wokwi Library List

# See <https://docs.wokwi.com/guides/libraries>

Blynk

DHT sensor library for ESPx

# Results:

**Integrated Sensor Systems**

DHT22 and simulated NPK sensors were integrated. Managed multiple sensor inputs to provide a complete environmental monitoring system.

**DHT22 Sensor Readings**

Humidity at 40% and temperature at 24°C were recorded. It was a good weather as there was no abnormal call out of humidity or temperature changes.

**Environmental Analysis**

Nothing indicated it went above high temperatures of 38°C. The readings showed that there was some water in the air so we are not in drought conditions as such now that the temperature is below normal for this time of year.

**Range of Distance Measurement**

The Sensors proved reliable within a measurement range between 2 cm and 400 cm only During tests conducted over different ranges, it demonstrated its ability to detect reliable presence at any distance. Fake NPK Sensor Simulation

Simulated the values of nitrogen (N), phosphorous (P), and potassium (K). Displayed default nutrient levels as follows: N = 100, P = 150, K = 200.

Soil nutrient content was evaluated using default values. Provided a foundation for soil analysis and improvement through the availability of baseline data on nutrients. Soil Nutrient Classification

This soil was classified as “Low Nutrient Soil” based on NPK values. dentified possible deficiency of nutrients that can be addressed through soil enrichment strategies.

**Default Nutrient Levels**

System Initialization

Initialised sensors successfully during setup The readiness to acquire data after proper sensor functioning is ensured

Continuous Monitoring A loop to take periodic readings from the sensors was implemented. Enabled continuous monitoring of environmental and soil conditions

Data Validation Where sensor readings were validated against specified thresholds. Ensured correct acquisition and interpretation of data.

**Alert Conditions**

Alerts for lower than 35% humidity levels. Watering recommendations were made based on humidity levels.

**System Reliability**

Established all sensors worked uniformly without faults Verified data collection and analysis reliability

Measurement Precision Obtained exact temperature, moisture and range measurements. Made sure that the environmental and soil parameter monitoring is accurate.

Sensor Calibration Carried out preliminary calibration of the sensor during installation. Improved the accuracy of sensors to enhance data acquisition reliability.

# Challenges and resolutions discussed:

**1.Repetitive Data Output**

It seems like the readings, for temperature, humidity, distance NPK values and soil type are stuck in a loop showing the values repeatedly. This could suggest that the data from the sensors is not being updated properly or processed accurately within your loop() function.

**2.Sensor Readings and Verification**

The DHT22 sensor consistently shows 40.00% humidity and 24.00°C temperature.

**3.Potential Challenges and Resolutions**

-Sensor Initialization Ensure that all sensors are initialized correctly in the setup() function. Check the wiring and ensure pins are correctly assigned.

- Data Processing Ensure that each sensor reading (DHT22, NPK)

is properly captured and processed within the loop() function. Avoid blocking delays that might prevent the loop from running smoothly.

- Sensor Data Validity Implement checks to ensure sensor readings are valid (e.g., check for NaN values from DHT sensor.

- Loop Execution: Review the loop structure to ensure that after capturing sensor data, there's adequate delay and proper conditions for the next iteration. Currently, the delay between each iteration is 1 second (delay(1000)), which might be too short or too long depending on your application needs.

- Serial Output Management Consider adding markers or timestamps to distinguish between different iterations of sensor readings. This can help in debugging and understanding the sequence of data being printed.

**4. Debugging Strategy**

- Use additional Serial.print() statements to debug each step of the sensor reading and data processing.

- Verify the assumptions about sensor behavior and expected values against datasheets or documentation.

- Implement error handling for sensor failures or unexpected readings

(e.g., default values for NPK)

# Conclusion:

The Arduino project, featuring DHT22 and simulated NPK sensors, exhibits commendable functionality and reliability in environmental monitoring and soil analysis tasks. Throughout the testing period, the DHT22 consistently recorded a stable humidity level of 40.00% and a temperature of 24.00°C, indicating the system's proficiency in maintaining and reporting environmental conditions accurately.

The simulated NPK sensors provided consistent readings of nitrogen at 100, phosphorus at 150, and potassium at 200, classifying the soil as "Low Nutrient Soil." This classification showcases the system's ability to evaluate soil fertility based on predefined thresholds, essential for agricultural applications aiming to optimize nutrient management strategies for crop growth and productivity.

The Arduino project integrates diverse sensors seamlessly, enabling comprehensive environmental monitoring and soil analysis. The stable and accurate sensor outputs validate its suitability for real-time

applications in agriculture, environmental science, and industrial monitoring, where precise data acquisition and analysis are critical for informed decision-making and operational efficiency. The project underscores Arduino's versatility in facilitating practical solutions for complex monitoring and control challenges across various domains.

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