

## **TITLE PAGE**

Project Title: HomeSense - Smart Home Environmental Monitoring System

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

Modern households rely on environmental monitoring systems to maintain indoor comfort, health, and safety. HomeSense provides an Internet of Things based multi sensor solution using ESP32 modules distributed across rooms. The system collects temperature, humidity, air quality, and motion data and transmits readings over MQTT to a backend with real time dashboards and alerting.

## **2. SYSTEM OVERVIEW**

HomeSense uses low power wireless nodes that continuously sense environmental conditions and publish data to an MQTT broker. A backend stack consisting of a processing service, time series database, and visualization platform enables real time insights and long term storage.

## **3. HARDWARE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT**

### **3.1 Component Selection**

Microcontroller: ESP32 board with WiFi and low power operation. Sensors: DHT22, MQ135, PIR sensor Supporting components: jumper wires, power supply, optional enclosure.

### **3.2 Circuit Assembly**

Steps: 1. Connect DHT22 to GPIO 4. 2. Connect MQ135 to ADC input. 3. Connect PIR output to GPIO 14. 4. Connect ground and power. 5. Validate wiring using multimeter.

### **3.3 Hardware Testing**

Initial tests: Power on ESP32 Check serial logs Verify raw sensor readings Adjust PIR sensitivity and delay

## **4. SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT**

### **4.1 Firmware Design**

ESP32 firmware tasks: WiFi initialization Sensor polling Data filtering MQTT publishing Deep sleep mode

### **4.2 Data Format and Topic Structure**

MQTT topics: homesense/room/temperature homesense/room/airquality Payload example: { sensor: dht22, value: 24.5, unit: C }

### **4.3 Backend Processing Service**

Python subscriber service: Validation Conversion to InfluxDB format Logging and storage

## **5. CLOUD AND DATABASE SETUP**

### **5.1 MQTT Broker Setup**

Mosquitto configuration: Port 1883 Authentication enabled Optional TLS setup

### **5.2 InfluxDB Configuration**

Steps: Create database bucket Generate token Set retention policy

## **6. DASHBOARD AND ALERTING**

### **6.1 Dashboard Setup**

Grafana visualizations: Temperature and humidity trends Air quality thresholds  
Motion activity timeline

### **6.2 Alert Configuration**

Alerts: High temperature for 10 minutes Air quality exceeds threshold Unexpected motion detected

## **7. IMPLEMENTATION STEPS (DETAILED)**

### **7.1 Hardware Installation**

Steps: Mount sensors away from vents Enclose ESP32 modules Label devices

### **7.2 Firmware Deployment**

Steps: Flash firmware Configure WiFi Test MQTT publish Enable auto reconnect

### **7.3 Backend Deployment**

Steps: Deploy Python service Run as systemd service Verify end to end flow

## **8. TESTING AND VALIDATION**

## **8.1 Functional Testing**

Tests: Sensor accuracy comparison MQTT reliability Dashboard updates

## **8.2 Network Reliability Testing**

Simulations: WiFi outages Broker restart Offline buffering

## **8.3 Performance Testing**

Measurements: Latency Memory usage on ESP32 Database growth rate

# **9. DEPLOYMENT PLAN**

## **9.1 Local Deployment**

Run stack on Raspberry Pi: MQTT, Python service, InfluxDB, Grafana

## **9.2 Cloud Deployment Option**

Cloud setup includes: TLS secured MQTT Remote dashboard access Token based authentication

# **10. MAINTENANCE AND FUTURE WORK**

Future enhancements: Battery powered LoRaWAN nodes Mobile configuration app ML based anomaly detection Smart assistant integration

# **11. CONCLUSION**

HomeSense provides a scalable smart home monitoring system with detailed implementation across hardware, firmware, backend, and visualization layers.

## **12. REFERENCES**

[1] MQTT Specification. [2] ESP32 Technical Manual. [3] InfluxDB and Grafana Documentation.