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This document provides a comprehensive analysis of the power requirements and consumption for a smart irrigation system. It outlines the components involved, their respective power needs, total power consumption in both active and idle modes, battery sizing for energy storage, solar panel requirements for sustainable operation, and key recommendations for optimizing the system's efficiency.

How to optimize power consumption for efficiency?

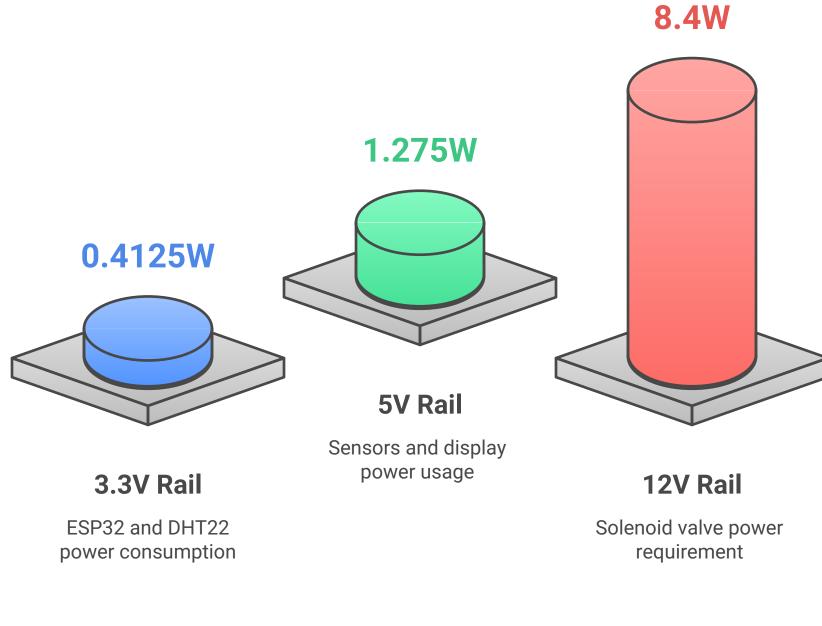


Component	Voltage (V)	Current (mA)	Notes	
ESP32	3.3	50–250	Avg. 120mA (Wi-Fi dependent)	
Soil Moisture Sensor	5	20 each	5 sensors = 100mA total	
DHT22	3.3	2–5	Low power, intermittent use	
Ultrasonic Sensor	5	15	Short pulses (~15mA avg.)	
Water Flow Sensor	5	15–20	Active only during water flow	
Keypad	3.3/5	Negligible	Passive component	
LCD Screen	5	20	Backlight increases draw	
Relay Module	5	70–100	Draws 100mA when active	
Solenoid Valve	12	500–700	Major power draw (~700mA avg.)	
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• 3.3V Rail

- ESP32 + DHT22 = 125mA • Power: 3.3V × 0.125A = **0.4125 W**
- 5V Rail Soil Sensors + Ultrasonic + Water Flow + LCD + Relay = 255mA
- Power: 5V × 0.255A = **1.275 W**
- 12V Rail • Solenoid Valve = 700mA
- Power: 12V × 0.7A = **8.4 W**

Power Consumption of Smart Irrigation System



• **3.3V Rail:** 0.4125 W (same as active) • **5V Rail:** $155mA \rightarrow 5V \times 0.155A =$ **0.775 W**

Total Active Power: 0.4125W + 1.275W + 8.4W = 10.0875 W

• 12V Rail: 0W

Voltage Rail

3.3V Rail 0.4125W 5V Rail 0.775W 12V Rail 0W Consumption Power Consumption by Voltage Rail

• Solenoid runs 2 hours/day (active mode).

Total Idle Power: 0.4125W + 0.775W = 1.1875 W

• Active: $10.0875W \times 2h = 20.175 Wh$ • Idle: 1.1875W × 22h = **26.125 Wh**

• Total: 20.175Wh + 26.125Wh = **46.3 Wh/day**

Sunlight Hours

The average hours of sunlight available for energy generation

• System idles 22 hours/day.

- Minimum Capacity: 46.3Wh / 12V = **3.86** Ah • With 50% Safety Margin: 3.86Ah × 1.5 = 5.79 Ah • **Recommended Battery:** 12V 7Ah (standard size)

- **Minimum Panel Power:** 46.3Wh / 4h = **11.58 W** • Recommended Panel: 20W (accounts for inefficiencies, cloudy days)

Solar Panel Power Calculation

