Internet of Things Fundamentals

Subject Project

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Smart Water Quality Monitoring System

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Contributions in % of each Team Members for each component					
		Member-1	Member-2	Member-3	Member-4
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Coding	ESP32-coding	35%	35%	30%	
	Python Coding	35%	30%	35%	
UI Design		30%	35%	35%	
Database		35%	30%	35%	
Cloud Integration		35%	30%	35%	
IoT Gateway		45%	35%	20%	
Edge Processing		35%	35%	30%	
Documentation		30%	30%	40%	
Presentation Design		20%	40%	40%	
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Team-Based Evaluation (60 Marks)

Criteria	Obtained Marks	Out of
System Design & Architecture		10
Hardware Integration & Circuit Setup		10
IoT Gateway and Cloud Communication		10
Working Prototype Demonstration		10
Performance & Reliability Testing		10
Presentation		10
Total (Team-Based)		60

Individual-Based Evaluation (40 Marks per Member)

	Member 1	Member 2	Member 3	Member 4
Criteria				
Understanding of the Project & Role	/10	/10	/10	/10
Code Contribution and Explanation	/10	/10	/10	/10
Q/A VIVA	/10	/10	/10	/10
Documentation/Reporting & Communication	/10	/10	/10	/10
Total (Individual-Based)	/40	/40	/40	/40
Total Overall (60+40)	/100	/100	/100	/100
Weightage Lab Grade (50)				

1. Abstract / Executive Summary

This project presents a smart water quality monitoring system using ESP32 and key sensors: DS18B20 for temperature, TDS for voltage, and a turbidity sensor for water clarity. Sensor data is collected, calibrated, and transmitted via MQTT to an InfluxDB instance. The data is visualized on Grafana dashboards, offering real-time insights into water quality. The solution is scalable, reliable, and cost-effective for remote environmental monitoring.

2. Table of Contents

3. Introduction

Background & Motivation:

Safe drinking water is a necessity, yet contamination remains a common threat. Traditional water testing is slow and manual. This IoT-based system addresses this by automating real-time monitoring using sensors and cloud integration.

Problem Statement:

There's a need for a low-cost, real-time system that can monitor key water parameters such as temperature, conductivity (EC), TDS, and turbidity and upload this data to the cloud for real-time visualization and alerts.

Project Goals:

- Build a compact ES\P32-based system with three water quality sensors.
- Use MQTT to transmit sensor data to InfluxDB.
- Visualize live sensor data on Grafana.

4. Literature Review (Optional)

Relevant IoT/ESP32 concepts
Similar projects/research

5. Methodology / System Design

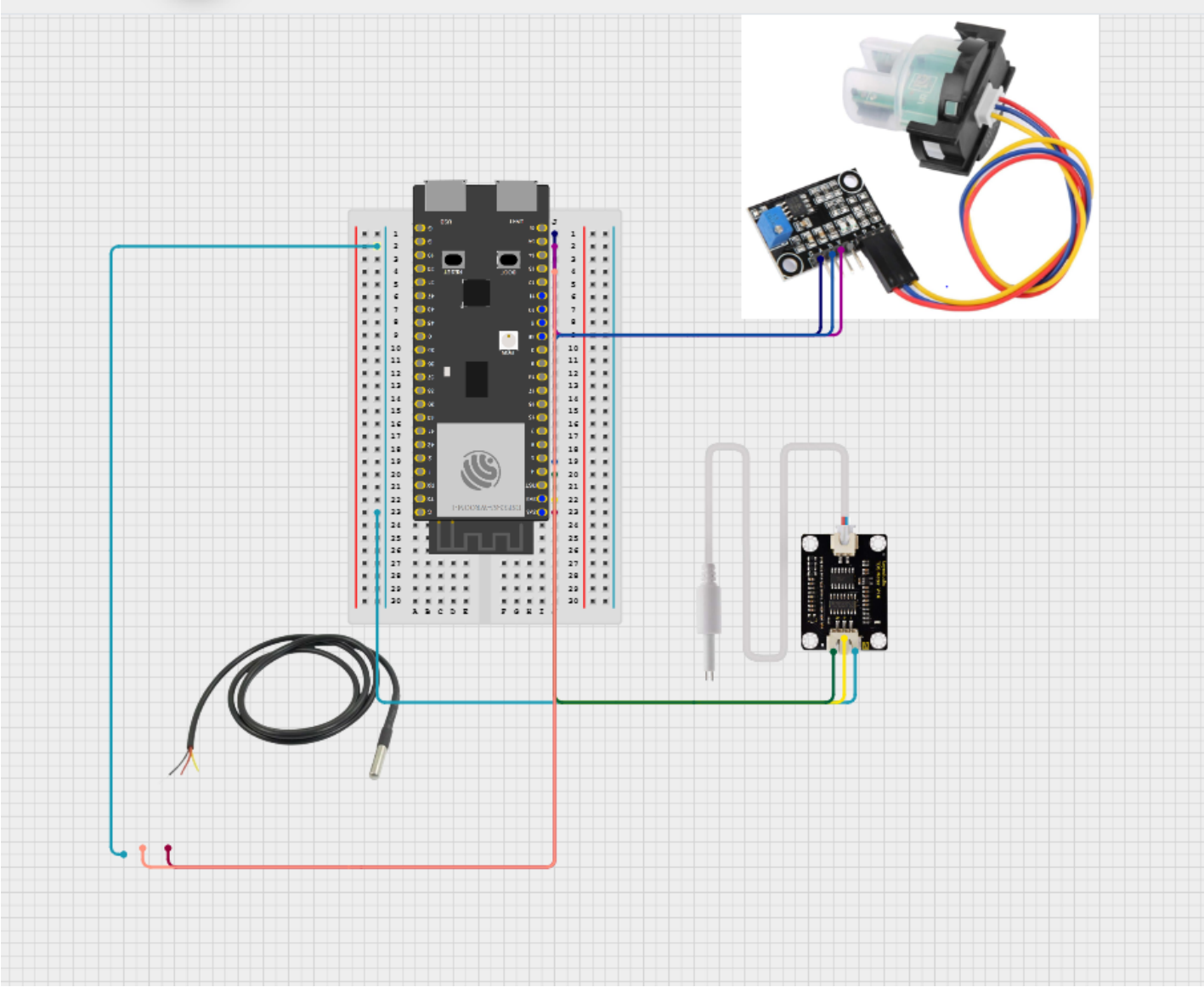
Hardware Components

- ESP32 Dev Module
- DS18B20 Waterproof Temperature Sensor
- TDS Sensor
- Turbidity Sensor
- Resistors, Breadboard, Jumper wires
- Power Source (USB or battery)

5.2 Software Design

Flowchart/system architecture

1. Connect to WiFi
2. Read temperature, TDS, and turbidity
3. Calculate EC and turbidity percentage
4. Connect to MQTT broker
5. Publish sensor data to MQTT topics
6. Grafana pulls from InfluxDB to visualize data



Libraries/tools:

- Arduino IDE
- Libraries: WiFi.h, PubSubClient.h, DallasTemperature.h, DFRobot_ESP_EC.h, EEPROM.h
- MQTT Protocol
- InfluxDB + Grafana

Pseudocode (if applicable)

Vs Code:

import time

import json

from paho.mqtt import client as mqtt_client

from influxdb_client import InfluxDBClient, Point

from influxdb_client.client.write_api import SYNCHRONOUS

```
# ============ MQTT Configuration ============

broker = '10.13.40.21'   # Your MQTT broker IP (e.g. Windows PC running Mosquitto)

port = 1883

mqtt_topics = [

    "esp32/temp",

    "esp32/tds_voltage",

    "esp32/ec",

    "esp32/turbidity_voltage",

    "esp32/turbidity_percent"

]

client_id = f'mqtt-influx-{int(time.time())}'


# ============ InfluxDB Configuration ============

influx_url = "http://localhost:8086"         # InfluxDB server URL

influx_token =
"AfuGjubmyG3yLJ7F58jh6ppMGIcH4PEAfomDo_GzZM6WxXRk4ZhGYmLLoWC8cnMkwRgGsgBJJOg5NiVQ_o-
llA=="         # InfluxDB API Token

influx_org = "National Textile University"                    # Your InfluxDB org name

influx_bucket = "final-iot"              # Your InfluxDB bucket


# ============ Initialize InfluxDB Client ============

influx_client = InfluxDBClient(

    url=influx_url,

    token=influx_token,

    org=influx_org

)

write_api = influx_client.write_api(write_options=SYNCHRONOUS)


# ============ Callback Functions ============

def on_connect(client, userdata, flags, rc):
```

```
    if rc == 0:
        print("✅ Connected to MQTT Broker!")
        for topic in mqtt_topics:
            client.subscribe(topic)
            print(f"📥 Subscribed to topic: {topic}")
    else:
        print(f"❌ Failed to connect, return code {rc}")


def on_message(client, userdata, msg):
    try:
        topic = msg.topic
        payload = msg.payload.decode()
        value = float(payload)

        # Create InfluxDB point
        point = Point("water_quality") \
            .tag("device", "esp32") \
            .field(topic.split("/")[-1], value) \
            .time(time.time_ns())

        write_api.write(bucket=influx_bucket, org=influx_org, record=point)
        print(f"📥 Written to InfluxDB: {topic} -> {value}")

    except Exception as e:
        print(f"⚠️ Error processing message: {e}")

# ============ Main ============
def run():
    mqtt_client_instance = mqtt_client.Client(client_id)
    mqtt_client_instance.on_connect = on_connect
```

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    mqtt_client_instance.on_message = on_message

    mqtt_client_instance.connect(broker, port)
    mqtt_client_instance.loop_forever()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    run()
```

Sensor code:

```
#include <OneWire.h>
#include <DallasTemperature.h>
#include <DFRobot_ESP_EC.h>
#include <EEPROM.h>

// === Pin Definitions ===
#define TDS_PIN 4            // Analog pin for TDS sensor
#define ONE_WIRE_BUS 13      // DS18B20 temperature sensor
#define TURBIDITY_PIN 5      // Analog turbidity sensor pin
#define LED_PIN 2            // LED lights up if dirty

// === Sensor Libraries Setup ===
OneWire oneWire(ONE_WIRE_BUS);
DallasTemperature sensors(&oneWire);
DFRobot_ESP_EC ec;

// === Global Variables ===
float voltage = 0.0;
float ecValue = 0.0;
float temperature = 25.0;
float turbidityVoltage = 0.0;
```

```
int turbidityPercent = 0;


void setup() {
  Serial.begin(115200);
  EEPROM.begin(32);
  sensors.begin();
  ec.begin();
  pinMode(LED_PIN, OUTPUT);

  Serial.println(" 🔬 Water Quality Monitoring Calibration Mode Started...");

  // Confirm DS18B20 Detection
  int devicesFound = sensors.getDeviceCount();
  Serial.print(" 🔎 DS18B20 sensors found: ");
  Serial.println(devicesFound);

  if (devicesFound == 0) {
    Serial.println(" ⚠️ DS18B20 NOT DETECTED. Check wiring & pull-up resistor!");
  }
}

void loop() {
  // === Read Temperature ===
  sensors.requestTemperatures();
  temperature = sensors.getTempCByIndex(0);
  if (temperature == DEVICE_DISCONNECTED_C || temperature < -55 || temperature > 125) {
    Serial.println(" ⚠️ Temperature sensor reading failed!");
    temperature = -1;
  }
```

```
// === Read TDS Voltage & EC ===
voltage = analogRead(TDS_PIN) / 4095.0 * 3.3;
ecValue = ec.readEC(voltage, temperature);
ec.calibration(voltage, temperature);

// === Read Turbidity Voltage ===
turbidityVoltage = analogRead(TURBIDITY_PIN) / 4095.0 * 3.3;

// === Calibrate Turbidity % (Adjust clean/dirty thresholds based on testing) ===
float cleanVoltage = 2.5;  // <<< Replace with your clean water reading
float dirtyVoltage = 1.2;  // <<< Replace with your dirty water reading

if (turbidityVoltage >= cleanVoltage) {
  turbidityPercent = 100;
} else if (turbidityVoltage <= dirtyVoltage) {
  turbidityPercent = 0;
} else {
  turbidityPercent = (int)(((turbidityVoltage - dirtyVoltage) / (cleanVoltage - dirtyVoltage)) * 100);
}

// === LED Indicator ===
digitalWrite(LED_PIN, (turbidityPercent < 40) ? HIGH : LOW);

// === Output All Readings for Calibration ===
Serial.println("\n===== 🔬 SENSOR CALIBRATION REPORT =====");
Serial.print(" 🌡️ Temperature: ");
Serial.print(temperature, 2);
Serial.println(" °C");

Serial.print(" 🔋 TDS Voltage: ");
```

```
  Serial.print(voltage, 2);
  Serial.println(" V");

  Serial.print(" 🌐 EC Value: ");
  Serial.print(ecValue, 2);
  Serial.println(" ms/cm");

  Serial.print(" 💉 Turbidity Voltage: ");
  Serial.print(turbidityVoltage, 2);
  Serial.println(" V");

  Serial.print(" ✅ Cleanliness: ");
  Serial.print(turbidityPercent);
  Serial.println(" %");

  Serial.print(" ❌ Dirtiness: ");
  Serial.print(100 - turbidityPercent);
  Serial.println(" %");

  Serial.println("==========================================");

  delay(1500);
}
```

Mqtt code:

```
#include <WiFi.h>
#include <PubSubClient.h>
#include <OneWire.h>
#include <DallasTemperature.h>
```

```
#include <DFRobot_ESP_EC.h>
#include <EEPROM.h>

// === WiFi & MQTT Configuration ===
#define WIFI_SSID "NTU FSD"
#define WIFI_PASSWORD ""
#define MQTT_SERVER "10.13.40.21"
#define MQTT_PORT 1883

WiFiClient espClient;
PubSubClient client(espClient);

// === Pin Definitions ===
#define TDS_PIN 4            // Analog pin for TDS sensor
#define ONE_WIRE_BUS 13      // DS18B20 temperature sensor
#define TURBIDITY_PIN 5      // Analog turbidity sensor
#define LED_PIN 2            // LED alert if water is dirty

// === Sensor Libraries Setup ===
OneWire oneWire(ONE_WIRE_BUS);
DallasTemperature sensors(&oneWire);
DFRobot_ESP_EC ec;

// === Global Variables ===
float voltage = 0.0;
float ecValue = 0.0;
float temperature = 25.0;
float turbidityVoltage = 0.0;
int turbidityPercent = 0;
unsigned long lastMsg = 0;
```

```
const long interval = 5000;

void setup_wifi() {
  Serial.print("Connecting to WiFi");
  WiFi.begin(WIFI_SSID, WIFI_PASSWORD);
  while (WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED) {
    delay(500);
    Serial.print(".");
  }
  Serial.println("\n✅ WiFi connected");
  Serial.print("📡 IP address: ");
  Serial.println(WiFi.localIP());
}

void reconnect() {
  while (!client.connected()) {
    Serial.print("Attempting MQTT connection...");
    String clientId = "ESP32Client-";
    clientId += String(random(0xffff), HEX);
    if (client.connect(clientId.c_str())) {
      Serial.println("✅ MQTT connected");
    } else {
      Serial.print("❌ Failed, rc=");
      Serial.print(client.state());
      Serial.println(" try again in 5 seconds");
      delay(5000);
    }
  }
}
```

```
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(115200);
  EEPROM.begin(32);
  sensors.begin();
  ec.begin();
  pinMode(LED_PIN, OUTPUT);

  setup_wifi();
  client.setServer(MQTT_SERVER, MQTT_PORT);
  Serial.println("📡 MQTT Water Quality Monitoring System Started");
}

void loop() {
  if (!client.connected()) {
    reconnect();
  }
  client.loop();

  unsigned long now = millis();
  if (now - lastMsg > interval) {
    lastMsg = now;

    // === Read Temperature ===
    sensors.requestTemperatures();
    temperature = sensors.getTempCByIndex(0);
    if (temperature == DEVICE_DISCONNECTED_C || temperature < -55 || temperature > 125) {
      Serial.println("⚠️ Temp sensor failed");
      temperature = -1;
    }
```

```
// === Read TDS Voltage & EC ===
voltage = analogRead(TDS_PIN) / 4095.0 * 3.3;
ecValue = ec.readEC(voltage, temperature);
ec.calibration(voltage, temperature);

// === Read Turbidity Voltage ===
turbidityVoltage = analogRead(TURBIDITY_PIN) / 4095.0 * 3.3;

// === Calibrate Turbidity % ===
float cleanVoltage = 2.5;  // <- Update with your real clean water value
float dirtyVoltage = 1.2;  // <- Update with dirty value

if (turbidityVoltage >= cleanVoltage) {
  turbidityPercent = 100;
} else if (turbidityVoltage <= dirtyVoltage) {
  turbidityPercent = 0;
} else {
  turbidityPercent = (int)(((turbidityVoltage - dirtyVoltage) / (cleanVoltage - dirtyVoltage)) * 100);
}

digitalWrite(LED_PIN, (turbidityPercent < 40) ? HIGH : LOW);

// === Publish via MQTT ===
client.publish("esp32/temp", String(temperature, 2).c_str());
client.publish("esp32/tds_voltage", String(voltage, 2).c_str());
client.publish("esp32/ec", String(ecValue, 2).c_str());
client.publish("esp32/turbidity_voltage", String(turbidityVoltage, 2).c_str());
client.publish("esp32/turbidity_percent", String(turbidityPercent).c_str());

// === Debug ===
```

```
    Serial.println("\n===== 📩 MQTT PUBLISHED DATA =====");
    Serial.print(" 🌡 Temp: "); Serial.println(temperature);
    Serial.print(" 🔋 TDS Voltage: "); Serial.println(voltage);
    Serial.print(" 🌐 EC: "); Serial.println(ecValue);
    Serial.print(" 🍼 Turbidity Voltage: "); Serial.println(turbidityVoltage);
    Serial.print(" ✅ Turbidity %: "); Serial.println(turbidityPercent);
    Serial.println("====================================");
  }
}
```

6. Implementation

Step-by-step setup (wiring, configurations)

1. Wire DS18B20 to GPIO13 with 4.7k pull-up resistor
2. Connect TDS to GPIO4 and Turbidity to GPIO5
3. Configure WiFi SSID, password, and MQTT server IP

Code snippets (with comments):

WiFi & MQTT Setup:

```
#define WIFI_SSID "Ibrahim(4G)"
#define WIFI_PASSWORD "47224723"
#define MQTT_SERVER "192.168.1.102"
```

Publishing Data:

```
client.publish("esp32/temp", String(temperature, 2).c_str());
client.publish("esp32/ec", String(ecValue, 2).c_str());
```

Turbidity Calibration Logic:

```
if (turbidityVoltage >= cleanVoltage)
  turbidityPercent = 100;
```

```
else if (turbidityVoltage <= dirtyVoltage)

  turbidityPercent = 0;
```

Challenges & Solutions

One of the primary challenges faced during the implementation was **unstable WiFi connectivity**. The ESP32 would sometimes disconnect due to weak signals or network fluctuations. To solve this, a reconnection check was added in the loop() function using WiFi.status() to automatically reconnect when the device gets disconnected.

Another issue was with **MQTT connectivity**. Initially, the ESP32 failed to connect to the Mosquitto broker due to an incorrect IP address and firewall issues on the host computer. This was resolved by double-checking the broker IP, ensuring that Mosquitto was running properly, and implementing a retry mechanism in the connectToMQTT() function.

There were also **calibration issues with the EC and turbidity sensors**. The raw readings were not accurate and varied drastically. This was addressed by performing manual calibration using clean and dirty water samples, adjusting the voltage thresholds, and modifying the logic to calculate EC and turbidity percentage more accurately.

Another technical challenge was related to **voltage readings on the ESP32**, as it uses a 12-bit ADC (0–4095 range) instead of the 10-bit (0–1023) range used by traditional Arduino boards. This required careful conversion of analog readings using voltage = analogRead(pin) * (3.3 / 4095.0) to get correct voltage values.

At one point, **Grafana was not displaying any sensor data**, even though MQTT was successfully receiving it. After investigation, it was found that the Telegraf configuration was not properly subscribing to the MQTT topics, and the InfluxDB bucket was either incorrect or missing. Fixing the Telegraf config and verifying the field names in Grafana solved the problem.

7. Results & Discussion

Screenshots/output (e.g., sensor data on Serial Monitor, MQTT logs)

Serial Monitor Output:

- Temperature, EC, TDS voltage, Turbidity %, and alerts shown every 5 seconds.

MQTT Topics:

- esp32/temp, esp32/tds_voltage, esp32/ec, esp32/turbidity_voltage, esp32/turbidity_percent

Performance analysis (accuracy, latency, reliability):

- High accuracy under stable lab conditions
- Reliable data push every 5 seconds
- LED alert functioning as expected for dirty water

8. Testing & Validation / Limitations

Test cases:

Test Case	Expected Result	Passed
Clean water input	Turbidity % ≈ 100	DONE

Test Case	Expected Result	Passed
Dirty water input	Turbidity % ≈ 0	DONE
MQTT disconnection	Auto-reconnect within 5s	DONE
WiFi loss	ESP reconnects and resumes publishing	DONE

Limitations

1. Sensor values fluctuate if power is unstable
2. No battery backup
3. Calibration needs manual adjustment

9. Conclusion & Future Work

Key takeaways:

- Successfully built an ESP32-based water quality monitor
- Integrated MQTT with InfluxDB and Grafana
- Real-time visualization achieved

Potential improvements (e.g., adding AI, cloud integration):

- Add pH and DO sensors
- Introduce mobile app alerts
- Integrate AI for water quality classification

10. References

- DFRobot EC Library
- MQTT Protocol Basics
- Grafana Docs
- InfluxDB Setup Guide

11. Links

GitHub Repository Link (links from each member)

Tehreem:

Zainab:

Kashaf:

Video Demo (embedded link or QR code / optional with Bonus)