

LED CONTROL USING NODEMCU AND FIREBASE

CPE 331A - CPE22S1

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OVERVIEW

This project illustrates the implementation of a NodeMCU ESP8266 microcontroller for switching three different LEDs using a Firebase Realtime Database. Through the utilization of Wi-Fi connectivity and cloud control, the system facilitates real-time switching of LEDs from the data stored and uploaded in the database. This arrangement simulates the manner in which systems with Internet of Things (IoT) capability are able to communicate and control hardware devices remotely through cloud services.

OBJECTIVE

To use the Firebase Realtime Database to control and manipulate three LEDs connected to a NodeMCU ESP8266. The goal is to create a digital switch for the 3 LEDs that can be controlled by anyone with access to the database.

MATERIALS

NodeMCU ESP8266

3 LEDs

3 Resistors (220Ω)

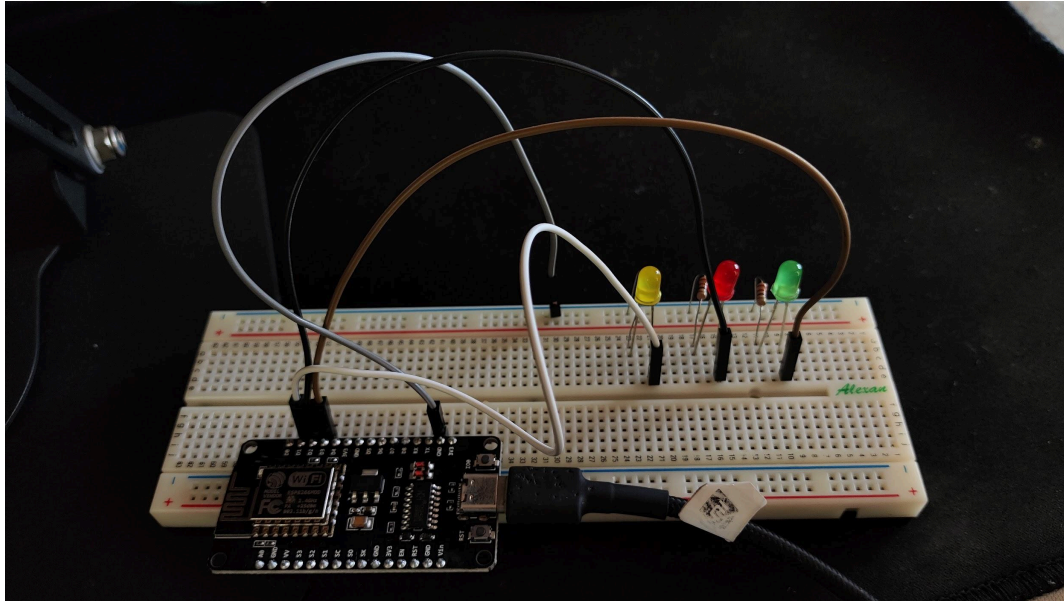
Breadboard and jumper wires

Firebase account

Arduino IDE

Internet connection (Wi-Fi)

BREADBOARD SETUP



FIREBASE SETUP

<https://nodemculed-5133e-default-rtdb.asia-southeast1.firebaseio.com>

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```
LED1: false
LED2: false
LED3: false
```

```
1 {
2   "rules": {
3     ".read": "auth != null",
4     ".write": "auth != null"
5   }
6 }
```

SERIAL MONITOR

```
LED1: 0
LED2: 0
LED3: 0
```

SOURCE CODE

```
nodemculedfirebase.ino
1 #include <Arduino.h>
2 #include <ESP8266WiFi.h>
3 #include <FirebaseESP8266.h>
4
5 // Token generation and RTDB helper functions (provided by the library addons)
6 #include "addons/TokenHelper.h"
7 #include "addons/RTDBHelper.h"
8
9 // Wi-Fi credentials (as provided)
10 const char* WIFI_SSID = "cow";
11 const char* WIFI_PASSWORD = "44444444";
12
13 // Firebase project details (as provided)
14 #define FIREBASE_HOST "https://nodemculed-5133e-default-rtdb.asia-southeast1.firebaseio.com/"
15 #define FIREBASE_API_KEY "AIzaSyAeEARxk7w04yvt_q_8ND02bKk5sNAB4cw"
16
17 FirebaseData firebaseData;
18 FirebaseConfig firebaseConfig;
19 FirebaseAuth firebaseAuth;
20
21 bool signupOK = false;
22 const unsigned long sendInterval = 3000; // 3-second interval between reads
23
24 // Connects to Wi-Fi with a timeout of 20 seconds
25 void connectWiFi() {
26   Serial.print("Connecting to Wi-Fi");
27   WiFi.begin(WIFI_SSID, WIFI_PASSWORD);
28   unsigned long startAttemptTime = millis();
29
30   while (WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED && millis() - startAttemptTime < 20000) {
31     Serial.print(".");
32     delay(1000);
33   }
34 }
```

```
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70 // Set a callback to handle token status changes (for debugging)
71 firebaseConfig.token_status_callback = tokenStatusCallback;
72
73 // Initialize Firebase with the configuration and authentication details
74 Firebase.begin(&firebaseConfig, &firebaseAuth);
75 Firebase.reconnectWiFi(true);
76 }
77
78 void loop() {
79   if (!signupOK) return; // Ensure we've successfully signed in
80
81   delay(sendInterval); // Wait before reading again
82
83   // Variables to hold LED states from Firebase
84   bool LED1, LED2, LED3;
85
86   // Read the state of LED1 from path "/LED1"
87   if (Firebase.getBool(firebaseData, "/LED1", &LED1)) {
88     Serial.print("LED1: ");
89     Serial.println(LED1);
90   } else {
91     Serial.print("Failed to read LED1: ");
92     Serial.println(firebaseData.errorReason());
93   }
94
95   // Read the state of LED2 from path "/LED2"
96   if (Firebase.getBool(firebaseData, "/LED2", &LED2)) {
97     Serial.print("LED2: ");
98     Serial.println(LED2);
99   } else {
100     Serial.print("Failed to read LED2: ");
101     Serial.println(firebaseData.errorReason());
102   }
103 }
```

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35 if (WiFi.status() == WL_CONNECTED) {
36   Serial.println("\nWi-Fi connected!");
37   Serial.print("IP Address: ");
38   Serial.println(WiFi.localIP());
39 } else {
40   Serial.println("\nWi-Fi connection failed. Restarting...");
41   ESP.restart();
42 }
43
44 void setup() {
45   Serial.begin(115200);
46
47   // Set LED pins as outputs using NodeMCU pin labels
48   pinMode(D1, OUTPUT); // D1 typically maps to GPIO5
49   pinMode(D2, OUTPUT); // D2 typically maps to GPIO4
50   pinMode(D3, OUTPUT); // D3 typically maps to GPIO0
51
52   // Connect to Wi-Fi
53   connectWiFi();
54
55   // Configure Firebase with your project details
56   firebaseConfig.database_url = FIREBASE_HOST;
57   firebaseConfig.api_key = FIREBASE_API_KEY;
58
59   // Sign up for Firebase authentication (anonymous)
60   if (Firebase.signup(&firebaseConfig, &firebaseAuth, "", "")) {
61     Serial.println("Firebase Sign-up successful!");
62     signupOK = true;
63   } else {
64     Serial.print("Firebase Sign-up failed: %s\n", firebaseConfig.signer.signupError.message.c_str());
65     delay(10000);
66     ESP.restart(); // Restart if Firebase authentication fails
67   }
68 }
69 }
```

```
104 // Read the state of LED3 from path "/LED3"
105 if (Firebase.getBool(firebaseData, "/LED3", &LED3)) {
106   Serial.print("LED3: ");
107   Serial.println(LED3);
108 } else {
109   Serial.print("Failed to read LED3: ");
110   Serial.println(firebaseData.errorReason());
111 }
112
113 // Control the LEDs based on Firebase data:
114 // If a value is true, the corresponding LED turns ON; if false, it turns OFF.
115 digitalWrite(D1, LED1 ? HIGH : LOW);
116 digitalWrite(D2, LED2 ? HIGH : LOW);
117 digitalWrite(D3, LED3 ? HIGH : LOW);
118 }
119 }
```

HOW IT WORKS

The three LEDs are wired to the NodeMCU that is connected to a WiFi network. A Firebase is set up to anonymously fetch and change the boolean values of the LEDs. The process repeats every 3 seconds for real-time updates. Using this, a user with a connection to the same WiFi and has access to the Firebase can remotely switch the LEDs on or off using their own device. This

TASK DONE BY EACH MEMBER

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Circuit Design & Assembly

Firebase Project Setup & Configuration

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Documentation Preparation

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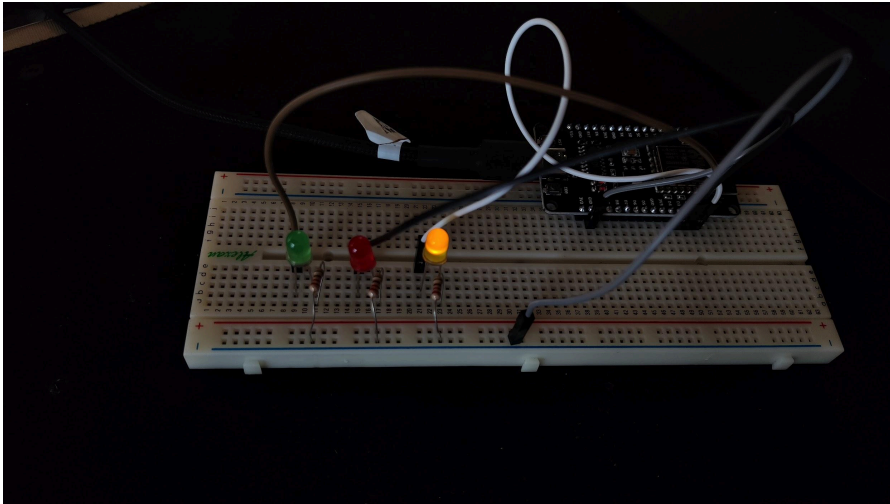
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Conclusion

OUTPUT

1. LED1 is on while LED2 and LED3 are off.

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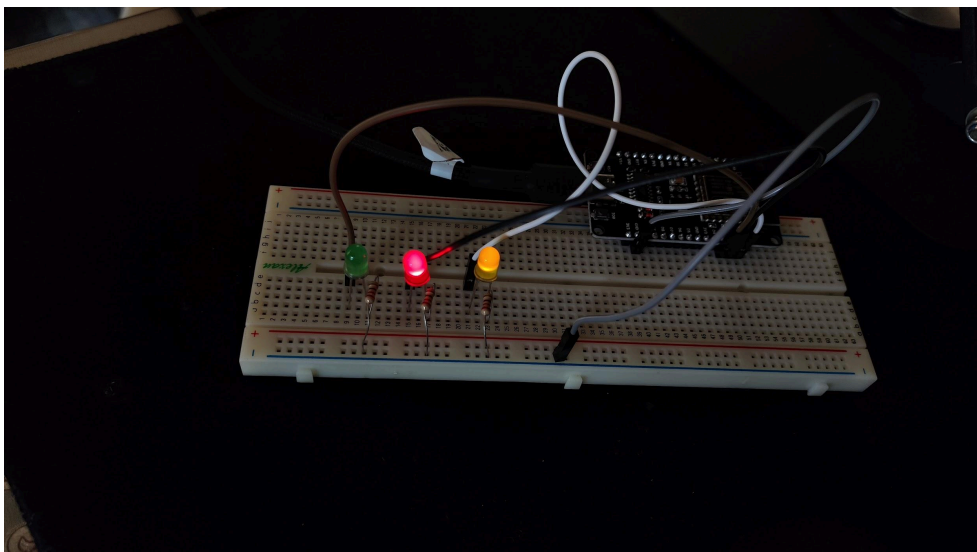
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LED1: 1
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```
LED2: 0
```

```
LED3: 0
```

- LED1 and LED2 are on while LED3 is off.

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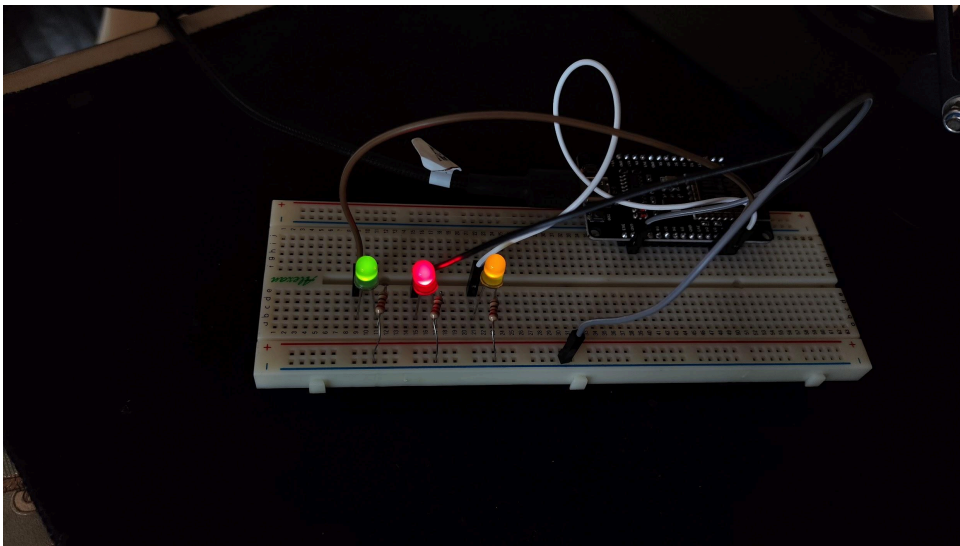
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3. LED1, LED2 and LED3 are on.

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CONCLUSION

The NodeMCU ESP8266 has IoT capabilities. Using cloud systems and a network connection, we can remotely manage, access, and manipulate devices and hardware wirelessly. This paves the way for other projects for more scalable and efficient automation systems.

