

CONNECT TO Wi-Fi

INTERNET OF THINGS

Time: 60 mins

Introduction

In this class, the students will learn to program the ESP32 board to connect to Wi-Fi.

New Commands Introduced

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| • <code>#include <WiFi.h></code> | Imports the WiFi library |
| • <code>const char* variableName</code> | Creates a pointer to a character array whose value cannot be modified. |
| • <code>WiFi.begin(ssid, password)</code> | Connects to the network with the ssid with the password. |
| • <code>WiFi.status()</code> | Gets the status of the Wi-Fi connection. |
| • <code>WL_CONNECTED</code> | Holds the status of the connection. |
| • <code>WiFi.localIP()</code> | Gets the IP address of the device. |
| • <code>WiFi.scanNetworks()</code> | Gets the number of networks available. |
| • <code>WiFi.SSID()</code> | Gets the SSID of the network the device is connected to. |
| • <code>WiFi.RSSI()</code> | Gets the signal strength of the network the device is connected to. |

Vocabulary

- **Wi-Fi** is a wireless networking technology that is used to access high-speed internet wirelessly.
- Service Set Identifier or **SSID** is the name of the Wi-Fi network.
- **RSSI** is an estimated measurement of how well a device can hear, detect, and receive signals from any wireless access point or Wi-Fi router.

Learning Objectives

Student/s should be able to:

- **Recall** how to program the LCD.
- **Explain** the need to alter the address of the additional I2C.

- **Demonstrate** the connection of ESP32 board to Wi-Fi.

Activities

1. Class Narrative: (3 mins)

- Brief the student/s that the next challenge is to connect ESP32 board to Wi-Fi.

2. Concept Introduction Activity: (4 mins)

- Let the student/s undertake the explore-activity to observe how the board connects to Wi-Fi.
- Using the slides, explain that the student/s will learn:
 - to connect another LCD
 - to configure the LCD
 - to connect to Wi-Fi

3. Activity 1: Connect Another LCD (10 mins)

- Help the students recall how to connect the LCD.

Student Activity: (10 mins)

- Guide the student/s to connect another LCD to the circuit.

4. Activity 2: Configure the LCD (15 mins)

Teacher Activity: (7 mins)

- Explain how in real life the jumpers are soldered to change the address of additional I2Cs.
- Inform the student/s that on Wokwi hexa numbers ranging from 0x1 to 0x7F can be used as addresses for I2C.
- Demonstrate how to program the board to configure the additional LCD

Student Activity: (8 mins)

- Guide the student/s to set the address of the additional LCD on the diagram.json, configuring the LCD, and displaying a message.

5. Activity 3: Connect to Wi-Fi (12 mins)

Teacher Activity: (6 mins)

- Inform the students what SSID is and how signal strength influences the connection to Wi-Fi.

- Demonstrate how the board is connected to Wi-Fi.

Student Activity: (6 mins)

- Guide the students to import the Wi-Fi library, connect to the network, and display the network's SSID and signal strength.

6. Introduce the Post class project: (2 min)

- Add and configure an additional LCD to display the status of the air conditioner.

7. Test and Summarize the class learnings: (5 mins)

- Check for understanding through quizzes and summarize learning after respective activities.
- Summarize the overall class learning towards the end of the class.

8. Additional activities:

- Encourage the student/s to debug the code to display the Wi-Fi status and sensor reading on separate LCDs.
- Encourage the student/s to add one more LCD to display humidity separately.

9. State the Next Class Objective: (1 min)

- In the next class, student/s will learn how to send the temperature and humidity values as messages using the MQTT protocol.

U.S. Standards:

CSTA: 2-AP-11, 2-AP-12, 2-AP-13, 2-AP-14, 2-AP-19

Links Table		
Activity	Activity Name	Link
Class Presentation	Connect to Wi-Fi	https://s3-whjr-curriculum-uploads.whjr.online/da9bcb6c-3ff6-4f71-a509-f52a9bf0fa73.html
Explore Activity	Connect to Wi-Fi	https://wokwi.com/projects/386518535949187073
Student Activity 1	Connect Another LCD	https://wokwi.com/projects/386519052135946241
Teacher Reference: Student Activity 1 Solution	Connect Another LCD	https://wokwi.com/projects/386518871311090689

Teacher Activity 2	Configure the LCD	https://wokwi.com/projects/388403122202677249
Teacher Reference: Teacher Activity 2 Solution	Configure the LCD	https://wokwi.com/projects/388403132194564097
Student Activity 2	Configure the LCD	https://wokwi.com/projects/386526500091593729
Teacher Reference: Student Activity 2 Solution	Configure the LCD	https://wokwi.com/projects/386526179232541697
Teacher Activity 3	Connect to Wi-Fi	https://wokwi.com/projects/388403173459183617
Teacher Reference: Teacher Activity 3 Solution	Connect to Wi-Fi	https://wokwi.com/projects/388403178670607361
Student Activity 3	Connect to Wi-Fi	https://wokwi.com/projects/386526854716892161
Teacher Reference: Student Activity 3 Solution	Connect to Wi-Fi	https://wokwi.com/projects/386526583785793537
Student's Additional Activity 1	Debug the Code	https://wokwi.com/projects/386527070552660993
Teacher Reference: Student's Additional Activity 1 Solution	Debug the Code	https://wokwi.com/projects/386526934149685249
Student's Additional Activity 2	Humidity Display	https://wokwi.com/projects/386527105099051009
Teacher Reference: Student's Additional Activity 2 Solution	Humidity Display	https://wokwi.com/projects/386527149969718273
Post Class Project	Temperature Monitor-Connect Additional Display	https://wokwi.com/projects/386527235410846721
Teacher Reference: Post Class Project Solution	Temperature Monitor-Connect Additional Display	https://wokwi.com/projects/386527188660078593