IoT Mold Prevention System

Scenario

Mold formation is a common problem in homes with poor ventilation, especially during cold and damp seasons. Excessive indoor humidity contributes to mold growth, which can damage property and pose health risks.

By monitoring environmental conditions and guiding users on optimal ventilation times, this system aims to create a healthier living environment.

A typical use case involves:

- Monitoring temperature and humidity in rooms such as the living room, bedroom, and kitchen.
- Fetching outdoor climate data from sensors or APIs.
- Computing absolute humidity for both indoor and outdoor conditions.
- Comparing humidity levels to recommend when windows should be opened.
- Providing notifications trends via a user-friendly dashboard or mobile app.

Functional Requirements

FR1 - Indoor Temperature and Humidity Monitoring

Requirement: The System can measure the temperature and humidity in multiple

indoor rooms.

Input: Current room temperature and humidity

Output: System status update

FR2 - Outdoor Temperature and Humidity Monitoring

Requirement: The System can fetch the outdoor temperature and humidity using

API's or sensors.

Input: Current outdoor temperature and humidity at a specific location

Output: System status update

FR3 – Absolute Humidity Calculation

Requirement: The System can calculate the Absolute Humidity for indoor and

outdoor conditions

Input: Temperature and Relative Humidity

Output: System status update

FR4 - Compare Indoor and Outdoor Absolute Humidity

Requirement: The System can compare the Absolut Humidity for indoor and outdoor

conditions. Raises a flag, if the user should open a window.

Input: Absolute Humidity

Output: System status update, Flag

FR5 - User Notification to recommend when the window should be opened

Requirement: Notify the user when outdoor Absolute Humidity is lower than indoor

Absolute Humidity.

Input: Absolute Humidity Comparison

Output: Notification to the user

Functional Requirements

FR6 - User Warning for high indoor Relative Humidity

Requirement: Send a warning to the user, when the indoor Relative Humidity exceeds

a defined threshold.

Input: Indoor Relative Humidity **Output:** Alert notification to the user

FR7 - Update Sensor Configuration

Requirement: Allows the user to dynamically add or remove sensors

Input: Sensor Configuration Data

Output: Updated System FR8 – Update Thresholds

Requirement: Allows the user to dynamically update thresholds for alerts and

notifications.

Input: User Input

Output: Updated System

FR9 - User registration

Requirement: Allow user registration.

Input: User data

Output: Registered User FR10 – House registration

Requirement: Allow house registration. A house contains one or more rooms.

Input: House data

Output: Updated System

FR11 - Remote Window Opening

Requirement: The user can open the windows remotely or start a ventilation system.

Input: User command

Output: Window opened, or ventilation system started

Non-Functional Requirements

NFR1 - Cost-Effectiveness

The system must be affordable to ensure accessibility for a broad range of users.

NFR2 - Energy Efficiency

Sensors must operate with low power consumption to ensure extended battery life. Data transmission must be optimized to reduce energy usage.

NFR3 - Real Time Notifications

The system must send real-time notifications to users about updates or issues, ensuring timely actions.

NFR4 - Environmental Conditions

Indoor sensors must operate reliably within 0°C to 50°C and 10%-90% Humidity. Outdoor sensors must operate reliably within -20°C to 50°C and 0%-100% Humidity. Outdoor sensors must withstand environmental conditions such as rain, frost, and heat.