

## Final Year Project Proposal

<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Intelligent IoT Based Hydro-Aeroponics based Agriculture System</b>		
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### Aim and Objectives:

Agriculture has a major impact on economy of the country. Lot of Research been carried out in automating the irrigation system by employing wireless sensor and mobile computing. Also research been done in applying machine learning in agricultural system too. Recently Machine to machine (M2M) communication is an emerging technological framework where devices can communicate with each other and send data to the M2M central server or cloud through M2M area networks and core networks. So accordingly an IoT based Automated irrigation system been developed where sensor data pertaining to soil moisture captured and K-NN Supervised machine learning algorithm developed for analyzing the sensor data for prediction towards irrigating the soil with water

Now currently agricultural innovation is more towards hydroponics and aeroponics which allow plants to grow anywhere as hanging or so without the need of soil. That means plants are given enough nutrients to grow taking into account environmental factors into consideration without the need of soil. The challenge in such a system is that there is need for manual monitoring of plants for spraying the appropriate nutrients to grow effectively.

So now with the upcoming of IoT technologies where M2M communication possible, we here propose to develop an Intelligent IoT based Hydro-Aeroponics based agricultural system which allows the environmental data to be captured and intelligently spray the appropriate nutrients for plant growth. These would be developed as prototype with intelligence.

### Summary of Previous Work/Research in Area:

In many of the research reported pertaining to Aeroponics and Hydroponics, time clocks to put the nutrient solution on the plant roots. Most of the plants grown using Hydroponic or Aeroponics are done in Malaysian Climate which are different from different seasonal changes we have in India for different places. Plants grown using Aeroponics and hydroponics are:- 1) Lettuce 2) Tomatoes 3) Radishes 4) Celery 5) Cucumbers 6) watermelon 7) grapes. Goa is the first place in India to have hydroponics farm. Ajay Naik is a software Engineer who started the automated hydroponics in India.

No research reported pertaining to applying intelligence in IoT towards automating the aero-hydroponics based agricultural system for spraying the appropriate nutrients based on environmental conditions and so forth.

## **Methodology:**

### **Phase 1**

1. Identify aeroponics and hydroponic friendly plants and specifically study their required nutrients.
2. Procure specific nutrients required by the hydroponic system. Identify suitable supervised learning algorithm for the data set available.
3. IoT based Prototype system development for Aero-hydroponics based Agriculture involving appropriate sensors, Microcontroller and Processor board for analysis
4. Procure the data sets for a particular type of plant and accordingly apply the appropriate machine learning algorithm in training the data set towards prediction for regulate the nutrients and oxygen required by the plant based on Ph, Temperature, lighting, humidity and so automatically without the need of human.
5. Cloud server on Digital Ocean for enabling the users to access the system from any part of the world.
6. Development of a user friendly mobile application across android and iOS with an added functionality of a chatbot which can send out timely notifications and can be a mediator between the system and the user.
7. Integrate the entire system with all the modules to develop a smart solution of aeroponics and hydroponic systems for harsh climatic conditions.

Task Name	Start Date	End Date	Status	Predecessors	Q4			Q1			Q2			
					Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	
Enter your deadline as start and end date:	11/15/17	03/07/18												
Learning Modules	11/15/17	01/10/18	Not Started											
Python Libraries for Raspberry	11/15/17	12/15/17	In Progress											
Specific Sensor Functionalities	12/01/17	12/15/17	Not Started											
Study of Soil Characteristics ( Types of Soil )	11/15/17	01/10/18	Not Started											
Study of various Climatic Conditions	11/15/17	01/10/18	Not Started											
Artificial Neural Networks	12/01/17	12/30/17	Not Started											
Identification of Machine Learning Algorithms	12/01/17	12/30/17	Not Started											
Tensor Flow	12/01/17	12/30/17	Not Started											
Digital Ocean	11/15/17	12/15/17	In Progress											
Wolfram Alpha	12/01/17	12/30/17	Not Started											
Ionic - Android SDK	11/15/17	12/15/17	In Progress											
Flow XO+API.ai(integrate with slack)	11/15/17	12/15/17	In Progress											
Procurement of Resources / Field Vists	11/15/17	03/03/18												
Filed Visits	01/16/18	03/03/18	In Progress	5, 6, 21, 22										
Field Visit1	01/16/18	01/19/18	Planned											
Field Visit 2	01/16/18	02/15/18	Not Started											
Field Visit3	01/16/18	03/03/18	Not Started											
Identification of Hydroponic Crops	11/15/17	12/31/17	Not Started											
Procurement of Necessary Nutrients	12/20/17	01/15/18	Not Started											
Procurement of Sensors + Hardware	12/20/17	01/15/18	Not Started											
Data Sets to be Gathered	12/01/17	01/31/18	In Progress											
Implementation	12/16/17	04/15/18												
Architecture of the circuit design to be developed	12/31/17	01/14/18	Not Started	4, 3, 7										
Web+App	12/16/17	04/15/18	In Progress											
Buckets-DO	12/16/17	02/01/18	Not Started	10										
Back End - Cloud	12/16/17	03/16/18	Not Started	10, 12										
ML - Wolfram Alpha	12/31/17	02/16/18	Not Started	8, 7, 9, 11										
Chatbot - Ionic	12/16/17	02/10/18	Not Started	13										
Ionic - Android/iOS	12/16/17	04/15/18	Not Started	12, 10, 13										
Fabrication of Model	12/16/17	02/15/18	Not Started											
Integration of Sensors	12/16/17	01/30/18	Not Started	4										
Setup of Entire Model	01/01/18	02/15/18	Not Started											
Integration of ANN	02/01/18	03/01/18	Not Started											
Implementation of Fuzzy Logic	02/01/18	03/01/18	Not Started											
Implementation of required ML Algorithms	02/01/18	03/01/18	Not Started											
Research Paper	11/05/17	04/15/18												
Literature Review for Previous Work	11/05/17	01/15/18												
Identification of Conferences/Journals	12/01/17	01/30/18												
First Paper Draft	02/01/18	02/15/18												
Reviews to Draft	02/15/18	04/												

## **Resources needed (Software/Hardware)**

### **Hardware:**

Raspberry Pi 3  
Arduino Mega  
Humidity Sensor  
DHT 11 Temperature Sensor  
PH Sensor  
Light Intensity Sensor  
Relay Modules  
PVC Pipes  
Jumper wires  
External Batteries  
Holding Pots for Plants  
Necessary Nutrients

### **Software:**

Blynk  
Python 3.6  
Raspbian Jessie  
Arduino IDE  
Digital ocean  
Github  
Trello  
Wolfram Alpha  
Ionic Framework  
Php  
HTML 5.0  
CSS3  
JavaScript

**Illustrate the connection between theory and practice:**

The system here would result in development of an intelligent and smart aero-hydroponics based automated agricultural system. In terms of theory, courses learnt pertaining to IoT, Mobile application, Networking, Machine Learning are been applied to practise in developing the IoT system where IoT and Networking concept included in developing prototype. Machine learning intelligence applied in analysing the data towards automating it. Also Cloud computing and mobile application learnt applied in developing cloud and mobile app for our project.

**Project Highlights:**

- 1) IoT based Automated Aero-hydroponics agricultural system been developed with machine learning intelligence
- 2) Machine learning for analysing the data captured for predicting the needed nutrients and oxygen for plant growth spraying it accordingly
- 3) Timely notification to user's mobile about the status of plant.
- 4) We are making a system through which a plant can grow in harsh areas like desert where growing of plant is really difficult.
- 5) This technology can be used to grow crops in Smart Cities.
- 6) The key feature is that changing seasons, changing climate or the area of growing will not affect the growth of plant

**Contributions:**

Major contribution would be development of an IoT based automated aero-hydroponics based agricultural system where machine learning intelligence deployed for predicting the needed nutrients and oxygen for plants based on environmental conditions like PH, Humidity, Lighting, and Temperature. The prediction would result in sending feedback to plant through the IoT system in spraying the appropriate nutrients. The complete prototype system is automated with cloud and mobile application support for sending notification to user too.

**Real life Need:**

Aeroponics and Hydroponics is an exploding industry that has yet to reach its full potential. The use of hydroponics broadens the ability to garden in small spaces where adequate land is scarce and in arid or barren conditions not conducive to propagation. With the increase in the population leading scarcity for land resources, hydroponics is an excellent solution for cultivation of crops. Smart Cities can exploit the potential of hydroponics and automating the system would further help in reducing human efforts.

### **Abstract (Maximum 350 Words)**

Hydroponic systems have been utilized as one of the standard methods for plant biology research and are also used in commercial production for several crops, including lettuce and tomato. Within the plant research community, numerous hydroponic systems have been designed to study plant responses to biotic and abiotic stresses. We present a solution for intelligent hydroponic system that can be easily implemented in laboratories, households, etc.

In hydroponic gardening systems, plants are placed in a growing medium and nutrients are provided directly to the roots.

So we here would be developing an IoT based system using Machine Learning for the Aero-hydroponic agricultural system focusing more on harsh climatic conditions. The system would be trained to identify the crops and regulate the nutrients for its cultivation. The user would be

### **Reference (Minimum 6)**

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