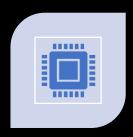




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Smart AgroSense: IoT-Based Multi-Point Wireless Sensor System for Precision Farming



## Popular IoT Protoco





#### Wi-Fi

Most popular type of connectivity in LAN environments

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#### Problem Statement

- High complexity in protocol stacks limits rapid deployment and debugging.
- Inadequate support for many-to-one data flow in low-power sensor networks.
- Existing solutions (e.g., LoRa, Zigbee) are expensive or over-engineered for short-range structured data.
- Challenges in maintaining real-time communication with low latency and minimal data loss.
- Lack of fallback operation when cloud or internet access is disrupted

### Core Functional Goals:

- Wirelessly monitor soil moisture, temperature, and humidity from multiple locations
- **Display real-time sensor data** on the mobile app using an IoT platform (Blynk)
- Automatically activate irrigation based on soil moisture thresholds
- Send smart notifications to the user when soil moisture falls below the safe limit



# Comparative Analysis of Research and Our Contributions









#### Identified Gaps in Current Research

- Protocol Complexity Modern protocols like MQTT-SN require custom stacks that increase overhead [Springer, 2025].
- IoT Security Many IoT devices lack secure configurations or insight into their software layers [Nozomi Networks, 2024].
- Energy Efficiency Energy use during wireless data transmission remains high [MDPI Electronics, 2024].
- Real-Time Data Handling Scaling systems while maintaining responsiveness is still a challenge [Springer, 2025].

#### • □ Our Project's Contributions

- Lightweight, Struct-Based Protocol using NRF24L01 for minimal overhead and fast transmission.
- Communication-focused architecture with offline fallback handling and modular expansion.
- Secure and energy-efficient communication tailored for microcontroller constraints.
- Real-time, many-to-one data handling across three active sensor nodes.

Why We Chose
NRF24L01
Over LoRa,
Zigbee, and
Wi-Fi

Protocol	~Range	Power Usage	Cost/Node	Data Rate	Integration Ease	Suitability
NRF24L01	~700 m (w/ PA+LNA)	Low	₹150–₹200	Up to 2 Mbps	s Easy ( ESP32)	2 Ideal
Zigbee	~10–50 m	Medium	₹400–₹600	250 kbps	Moderate	Possible
LoRa	1–5 km+	Very Low	₹700–₹1200	< 50 kbps	Complex (custom stack)	• Unnecessarily complex
Wi-Fi	30–50 m	High	₹400+	High (~10 Mbps)	② Built-in (ESP32)	) For cloud only



Hardware Components

- ESP32 Main controller and Wi-Fi module
- NRF24L01 Wireless transceiver for nodes
- DHT22 Temperature and Humidity sensor
- Soil Moisture Sensor Analog soil sensor
- Relay Module Controls water pump
- DC Pump Waters the plants automatically

#### Node Architecture

- Each node includes DHT22 + Soil Sensor + NRF24L01
- Sends structured sensor data wirelessly
- Unique Node IDs for identification (N1, N2, N3)
- Data Handling Workflow per Node:

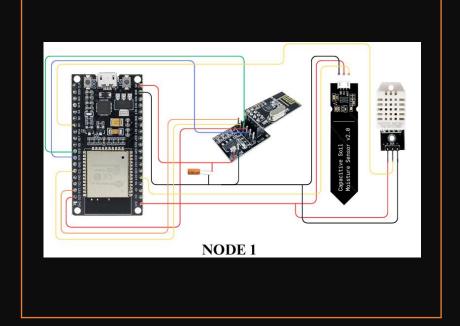
Sensor Sampling -ESP32 reads DHT22 and soil moisture data every few seconds.

Struct Packaging Data is placed into a struct with fields: Node ID, Temperature, Humidity, Soil Moisture, Relay State.

Relay Decision Logic: If soil is too dry, relay GPIO pin is activated to turn ON the pump.

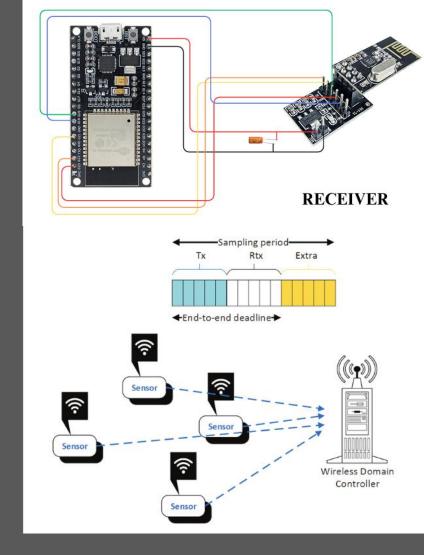
Wireless Transmission via NRF24L01 ESP32 sends the struct to a central ESP32 receiver using a unique address like "NODE1".





#### Receiver (ESP32)

- Receives data from multiple nodes using NRF24L01
- Parses and forwards sensor values to Blynk cloud
- Sends notification alerts based on soil threshold



#### System Overview



Sensor Nodes (N1, N2, N3) with DHT22 + Soil Sensors



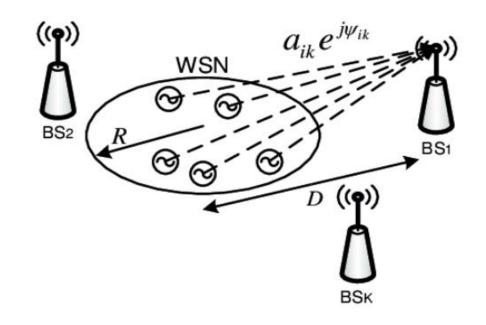
NRF24L01 transmits data to ESP32 Receiver

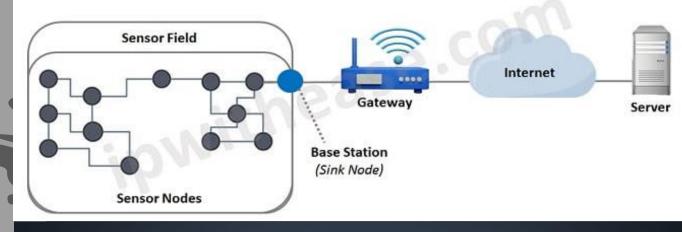


ESP32 sends data to Blynk Cloud



Mobile app displays real-time data and alerts







Wireless Sensor Network

# Key Competitive Features:

- Many-to-One Wireless Architecture

   Seamless data transmission from multiple sensor nodes to a single ESP32 receiver
- Offline Auto-Control with Plan B Integration
  - Node 3 autonomously controls the water pump even if Wi-Fi or receiver fails
- Compact & Structured Data Transmission
   Efficient, low-latency communication using lightweight struct packets
- Hybrid Cloud + Local Monitoring

   Real-time cloud sync with Blynk + Serial fallback for network downtime
- Smart Alerting System

   Intelligent flag-based alerts that notify only when conditions change, avoiding spam





#### Blynk Cloud Integration

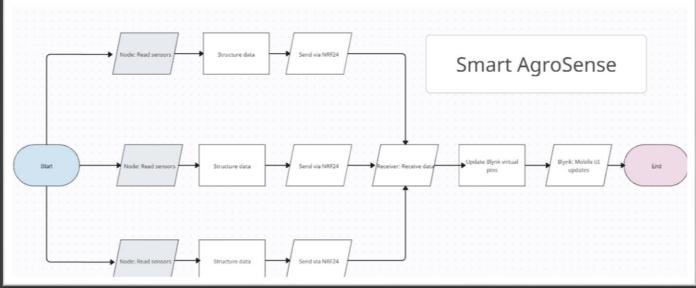
- ESP32 uses Wi-Fi to send sensor data to Blynk
- Blynk dashboard displays temperature, humidity, and soil moisture
- Push notifications sent when soil is dry



#### Software Workflow

- Node: Read sensors →
   Structure data → Send via
   NRF24
- Receiver: Receive data → Update Blynk virtual pins
- Blynk: Mobile UI updates → Trigger alerts if needed





#### Future Scope







NRF-based long-range nodes

Solar-powered nodes and pumps

Mobile app threshold customization





SD card data logging with real-time clock

Increasing number of nodes



#### Conclusion

- Smart AgroSense enables remote farm monitoring
- Provides reliable soil health alerts
- Combines wireless sensors, cloud, and automation
- Flexible fallback modes ensure robustness

