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## **ABSTRACT**

This project presents the design and development of a Smart Health Monitoring System using the ESP32 microcontroller. The system efficiently updates doctor about health of patient as well as accurately calculates the health parameter of patient. In the recent years of health care development, we witness huge amounts of data flow to track few parameters of a person and alert the guardian in case of any emergency of the patient. The system is equipped with sensors to measure vital health parameters, including heart rate, SpO<sub>2</sub> (oxygen saturation), body temperature, and ECG. These measurements are processed in real-time and transmitted to a cloud platform via Wi-Fi for secure storage and analysis. The cloud platform enables remote monitoring, visualization of health trends, and automated generation of detailed medical reports and suggest the food diet. This solution aims to provide an affordable, efficient, and portable system for personal health tracking and telemedicine applications, bridging the gap between patients and healthcare providers.

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## **LIST OF ABBREVIATION**

1. LCD - Liquid Crystal Display
2. RPM - Remote Patient Monitoring
3. ECG - Electrocardiogram
4. SpO<sub>2</sub> - Oxygen Saturation
5. RH - Relative Humidity
6. BPM - Beats Per Minute
7. IOT - Internet Of Things
8. EHR - Electronic Health Record
9. RTM - Real Time Response
10. LED – Light Emitting Diode

# **CHAPTER 1**

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **1.1 PROJECT OBJECTIVE**

As we are well aware, health monitoring plays a crucial role in preventing and managing diseases, especially in remote and resource-limited areas. With the increasing prevalence of chronic illnesses such as cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, and respiratory conditions, there is a growing need for real-time, continuous health monitoring solutions. Traditional health monitoring devices are often limited to hospital settings, restricting their accessibility and real-time utility. Moreover, existing solutions for remote health monitoring are either expensive or lack real-time cloud-based reporting features.

In this project, we propose a Smart Health Monitoring System using ESP32, which enables continuous real-time monitoring of key health parameters such as heart rate, ECG, SpO<sub>2</sub>, temperature, and blood pressure. The system utilizes biomedical sensors to collect health data and transmits it wirelessly via Wi-Fi or Bluetooth to a cloud platform for storage, analysis, and remote access. The cloud-based infrastructure allows doctors and caregivers to monitor patients from any location, ensuring timely medical intervention. Patients can also access their health records through a mobile app or web dashboard, promoting proactive health management. Unlike conventional monitoring systems that only provide on-the-spot readings, this system ensures continuous tracking, enabling early detection of abnormalities.

The ESP32-based smart health monitoring system is designed to be affordable, portable, and user-friendly, making it suitable for home-based care, telemedicine, and remote healthcare applications. By integrating IoT and cloud computing, the system not only improves patient monitoring but also enhances preventive healthcare by enabling early diagnosis and reducing the burden on hospitals and healthcare providers.

## Body Temperature:

The below figure shows the changes in body temperature through the day. As you can be seen, body temperature peaks around the midday, when the human body is the most active and plummets during hours of sleep or rest. This was calculated assuming that daytime is the active half of the day.

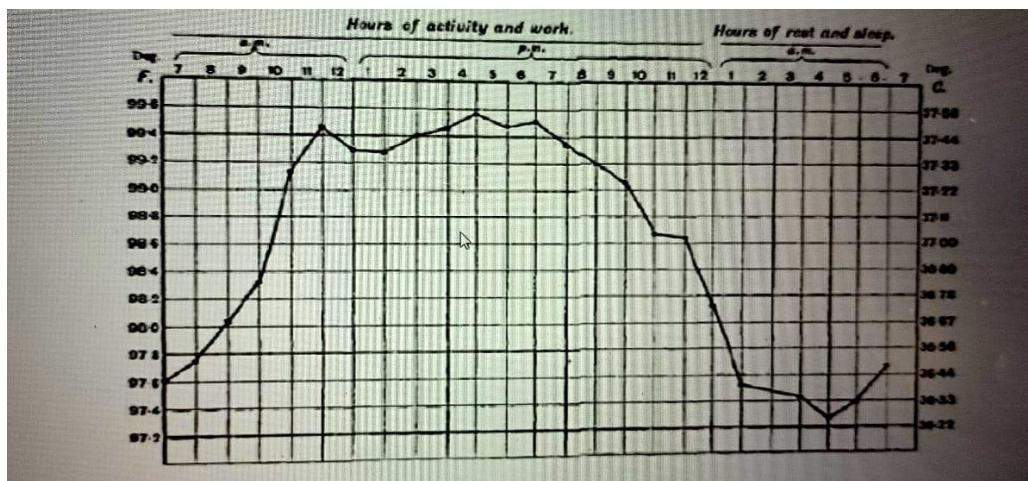


Figure 1.1: Variation of Temperature

## Heart Rate:

A pressure wave gets out along the arteries with a velocity of few meters per seconds when the heart beats which is faster than the actual flow of blood. One can feel the pressure wave at the wrist. But the pressure wave can rise up the volume of blood in the tissues.

Age of Person	Range of Heart Rate	Average Heart Rate
0-1 Month	100-180	140.0
2-3 Month	110-180	145.0
4-12 Month	80-180	130.0
1-3 Years	80-100	120.0
4-5 Years	80-120	100.0
6-8 Years	70-115	92.5
9-11 Years	60-110	85.0
12-16 Years	60-110	85.0
Above 16 Years	60-100	80.0

Table 1.1 : Average Heart Rate

## ECG(Electrocardiogram):

An **ECG** (electrocardiogram) is a medical test that records the electrical activity of the heart over a period of time. It measures the heart's rhythm, electrical activity, and sometimes helps detect heart conditions.

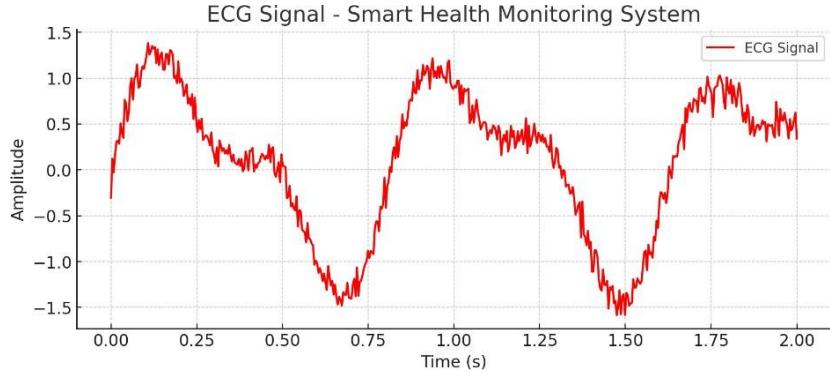


Figure 1.2: Average ECG

## SPO2:

- SpO<sub>2</sub> (Peripheral Capillary Oxygen Saturation) is a measure of the oxygen level in your blood.
- **95% - 100%** → Normal range for a healthy person.
- **90% - 94%** → Mild hypoxia (low oxygen levels); may require monitoring.
- **Below 90%** → Concern for serious oxygen deprivation; medical attention needed.

SpO<sub>2</sub> is typically measured using a **pulse oximeter**, a small device clipped onto a finger, earlobe, or toe. It works by passing light through the skin and detecting how much is absorbed by oxygenated and deoxygenated blood.

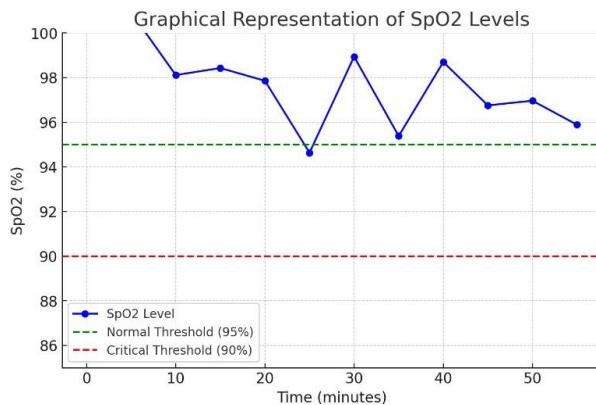


Figure 1.3: Average Spo2

## Humidity and Room Temperature:

Humidity refers to the amount of water vapor present in the air. It is typically measured as relative humidity (RH), expressed as a percentage. Higher humidity levels indicate more moisture in the air, while lower levels mean drier conditions.

Room temperature is the air temperature in an indoor environment. It is usually measured in degrees Celsius (°C) or Fahrenheit (°F).

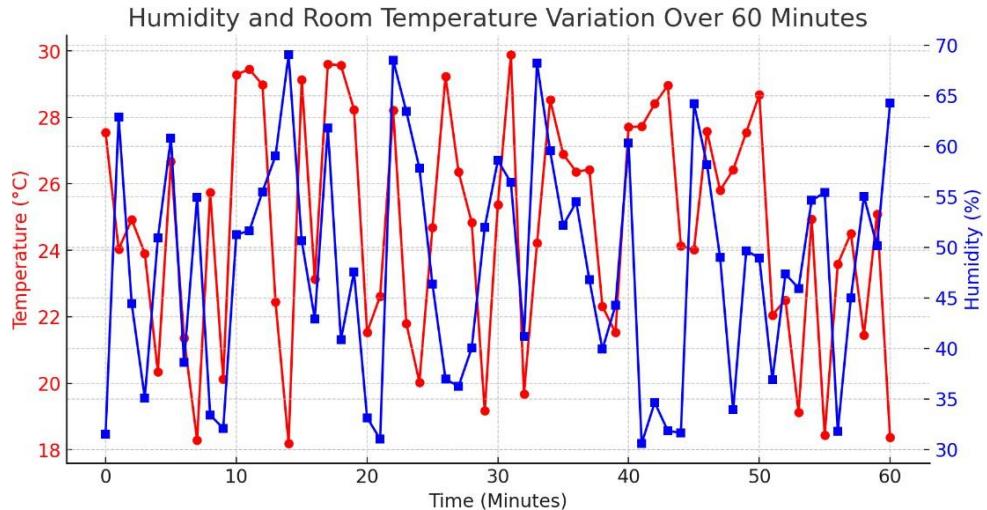


Figure 1.4: Humidity and Temperature

## 1.2 PROJECT OUTLINE

### 1.2.1 Existing System and its problems

Traditional health monitoring systems rely on manual check-ups and standalone medical devices that do not provide real-time data tracking. Patients must visit healthcare facilities for routine health assessments, which can be time-consuming and inconvenient. Additionally, most existing systems lack remote accessibility, making it difficult for doctors and caregivers to monitor patients from a distance. These systems often store data locally without cloud integration, limiting data analysis and long-term health trend tracking.

The current health monitoring systems rely on traditional wired medical devices or standalone digital health monitors. These systems primarily operate in offline modes, where data is stored locally and lacks real-time accessibility for remote monitoring. Some modern solutions incorporate Bluetooth or Wi-Fi-enabled devices, but they often have limitations in data synchronization and continuous monitoring.

Typically, existing health monitoring systems include:

1. **Hospital-Based Monitoring:** Continuous monitoring is often restricted to hospital settings, making it difficult for patients to track their health at home.

2. **Basic Wearable Technology:** Some smartwatches and fitness bands provide health tracking, but they lack medical-grade accuracy and cloud-based reporting.

Consequently, the problems are as follows: -

- Lack of Real-Time Monitoring
- Limited Remote Accessibility
- Manual Data Logging
- No Automated Alerts for Critical Conditions
- High Cost of Advanced Systems
- Short Battery Life in Wearables
- Data Security and Privacy Issues

These challenges highlight the need for an **IoT-based Smart Health Monitoring System using ESP32**, which provides real-time data tracking, cloud-based reports, and automated alerts for better patient care and accessibility.

### 1.2.2 Use of vital signals in health analysis

Vital signals are critical indicators of an individual's physiological state and overall health. They provide essential data for diagnosing diseases, monitoring chronic conditions, and assessing well-being. Continuous monitoring of these signals helps healthcare professionals make informed decisions, detect abnormalities early, and improve patient outcomes. These vital signs include,

- a. Heart Rate
- b. SpO<sub>2</sub>
- c. Body Temperature
- d. ECG

The goal is to develop a low cost, low power, reliable, non-intrusive, and non-invasive vital signs monitor which collect different type of body and the sampled parameters are wireless. sensing and data conditioning system to acquire accurate heart rate, ECG, blood pressure, and body temperature readings. After processing of data we have to find a proper method of transmission and signal display. Remote patient monitoring (RPM) is a technology to enable monitoring of patients outside of conventional clinical settings (e.g. in the home), which may increase access to care and decrease healthcare delivery costs.

Heart rate refers to the number of beats per minute (BPM) and is a fundamental measure of cardiovascular health. Abnormal heart rates, such as tachycardia (high heart rate) or bradycardia (low heart rate), can indicate underlying health issues such as arrhythmias, stress, or cardiovascular diseases. Wearable devices and smart health monitoring systems track heart rate in real-time, allowing early detection of irregularities. SpO<sub>2</sub>, or oxygen saturation,

measures the percentage of oxygen-carrying hemoglobin in the blood. It is a vital parameter for assessing respiratory health. Low SpO<sub>2</sub> levels can indicate conditions like asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), or even severe infections such as pneumonia.

Monitoring SpO<sub>2</sub> is particularly useful for patients with respiratory conditions or those recovering from illnesses like COVID-19. Body temperature is an essential indicator of metabolic activity and immune response. An increase in temperature (fever) often signals an infection, while abnormally low temperatures can indicate conditions like hypothermia. Smart thermometers and wearable sensors help in tracking body temperature fluctuations and provide timely alerts. An ECG records the electrical activity of the heart and is used to detect abnormalities such as arrhythmias, heart attacks, and other cardiac conditions. Traditional ECG tests are performed in hospitals, but wearable ECG devices allow real-time monitoring, providing continuous data for better diagnosis and preventive care.

### **Importance of Vital Signal Monitoring**

The continuous tracking of these vital signals through modern health monitoring systems allows for early detection of diseases, remote patient monitoring, and personalized healthcare solutions. With the integration of IoT technology, real-time data can be stored on cloud platforms, enabling healthcare providers to access patient records anytime and make data-driven decisions. This approach enhances preventive care, reduces hospital visits, and improves the overall efficiency of healthcare systems.

In summary, vital signals are indispensable in health analysis, and their continuous monitoring plays a pivotal role in disease prevention, diagnosis, and patient care. Advances in wearable technology and IoT-based smart health monitoring systems are revolutionizing the way health data is collected and utilized, making healthcare more proactive and efficient.

#### **1.2.3 Remote Patient Monitoring:**

Remote Patient Monitoring (RPM) is a transformative approach to healthcare that enables continuous tracking of patients' vital signs and health conditions outside traditional medical facilities. By utilizing advanced wearable devices, sensors, and cloud-based platforms, RPM facilitates real-time data collection and transmission to healthcare providers for timely assessment and intervention. This technology plays a crucial role in managing chronic diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, and cardiovascular conditions, ensuring that patients receive ongoing care without frequent hospital visits. It also benefits post-surgical recovery by providing real-time insights into a patient's progress, reducing complications and readmissions. Elderly individuals and patients with mobility issues particularly benefit from RPM, as it allows for medical supervision without disrupting their daily routines. The system operates through interconnected components, including wearable health monitors, IoT connectivity, cloud storage, and artificial intelligence-driven analytics that help detect irregularities and health trends. By enabling early detection of potential health risks, RPM empowers healthcare professionals to intervene proactively, preventing severe complications and improving patient outcomes. This approach enhances patient convenience, reduces healthcare costs, and optimizes hospital resources, ensuring better healthcare accessibility. As technology continues to evolve, the integration of RPM with smart health monitoring systems and cloud-based reporting further strengthens its impact, making real-time remote healthcare more efficient and personalized.

#### **1.2.4 Challenges of Remote Patient Monitoring (RPM)**

Despite its numerous advantages, Remote Patient Monitoring (RPM) faces several challenges that impact its widespread adoption and efficiency.

One of the primary concerns is **data security and privacy**. As RPM relies on cloud-based platforms to store and transmit sensitive patient information, there is always a risk of unauthorized access, data breaches, or cyberattacks. Ensuring compliance with healthcare data protection regulations like HIPAA and GDPR is crucial to maintaining patient trust.

Another challenge is **device accuracy and reliability**. Wearable health monitoring devices must provide precise and consistent readings to ensure correct diagnosis and treatment. Variations in sensor quality, calibration issues, or interference from external factors can lead to inaccurate measurements, affecting medical decisions.

**Internet connectivity and technical issues** also pose barriers, particularly in rural or remote areas where access to high-speed internet is limited. Since RPM depends on real-time data transmission, network disruptions can cause delays in patient monitoring and healthcare provider response times.

**Patient compliance and engagement** are significant factors affecting RPM effectiveness. Many patients, especially the elderly or those unfamiliar with technology, may forget to wear devices, charge them, or follow instructions correctly. Educating patients about the importance of consistent monitoring is essential to improving compliance.

Additionally, **integration with existing healthcare systems** remains a challenge. Many hospitals and clinics use different electronic health record (EHR) systems, and ensuring seamless compatibility between RPM platforms and these systems requires standardization and software updates.

Lastly, **cost and accessibility** can be limiting factors. While RPM has the potential to reduce long-term healthcare costs, the initial investment in devices, infrastructure, and training can be expensive. Not all patients may afford or have access to the necessary technology, creating disparities in healthcare accessibility.

The RPM systems and devices must meet the **FDA regulation** norms for health care use. FDA approval itself a challenge to the system providers; it could require security of manufacturing/development process , quality assurance, patient worthiness certification and life cycle assessments. While FDA approval itself may be beneficial to the patients which could ensure high device standards, it may eventually end up pushing the device costs higher due to related overheads.

Addressing these challenges through improved security measures, better device accuracy, enhanced patient education, and stronger healthcare system integration will be key to the successful adoption and long-term impact of RPM in modern healthcare.

## CHAPTER 2

### LITERATURE SURVEY

Smart health monitoring systems have gained significant attention in recent years due to advancements in IoT and wearable technology. These systems help in real-time monitoring of vital signs such as heart rate, body temperature, and environmental conditions. The integration of sensors with microcontrollers like ESP32 enables remote health tracking and data analysis.

## **2.Related Work**

### **2.1 ECG Monitoring**

Electrocardiogram (ECG) sensors play a crucial role in detecting cardiac abnormalities. Studies show that ECG-based health monitoring systems can identify irregular heart rhythms, arrhythmias, and other cardiovascular diseases.

- Research Paper: "Real-Time ECG Monitoring System Using IoT" – This study highlights the use of low-cost ECG sensors integrated with microcontrollers to transmit real-time heart data to cloud platforms.
- Findings: The ECG signal processing accuracy can be improved by incorporating AI-based anomaly detection.

### **2.2 Temperature and Humidity Monitoring (DHT11 Sensor)**

The DHT11 sensor is widely used for environmental monitoring and patient comfort assessment.

- Research Paper: "IoT-Based Remote Health Monitoring System with Temperature and Humidity Sensors"
- Findings: Monitoring environmental conditions helps in detecting fever, dehydration risks, and respiratory issues.

### **2.3 Pulse Sensor for Heart Rate Monitoring**

Pulse sensors detect heartbeats using photoplethysmography (PPG) technology.

- Research Paper: "Wearable Heart Rate Monitoring System Using PPG Sensors and IoT"
- Findings: The accuracy of pulse sensors can be enhanced by filtering noise and movement artifacts.

### **2.4 ESP32 as a Processing and IoT Module**

ESP32 is a low-power microcontroller with built-in Wi-Fi and Bluetooth, making it ideal for IoT applications.

- Research Paper: "ESP32-Based Health Monitoring System for Real-Time Data Transmission"
- Findings: ESP32 efficiently processes sensor data and transmits it to cloud services like ThingSpeak for remote monitoring.

## 2.5 Cloud Computing and Big Data in Health Monitoring

Cloud platforms such as ThingSpeak, AWS, and Google Cloud are crucial for the storage, processing, and analysis of health data. These platforms provide real-time access to health data from anywhere in the world, enabling healthcare professionals to monitor patients remotely.

**Research:** Various studies have demonstrated the importance of cloud computing in handling the massive amounts of data generated by health sensors. Real-time data analytics and alerts allow healthcare providers to intervene promptly, especially in emergencies.

Smart health monitoring systems powered by IoT and wearable technologies have the potential to revolutionize healthcare by providing real-time monitoring, remote diagnosis, and predictive analytics. Research and advancements in sensor technologies, microcontrollers, AI-based algorithms, and cloud computing are making these systems increasingly reliable and accessible. However, addressing challenges related to data privacy, battery life, and accuracy will be crucial for the widespread adoption of such systems in healthcare settings.

## CHAPTER- 3

### PROPOSED SYSTEM

A smart health monitoring system using the ESP32 can be developed to track a range of health parameters such as ECG, heart rate, SpO2 (blood oxygen saturation), body temperature, and ambient temperature and humidity. Below is a proposed system architecture for such a project, including necessary components, design, and functionality.

#### 3.1 BLOCK DIAGRAM

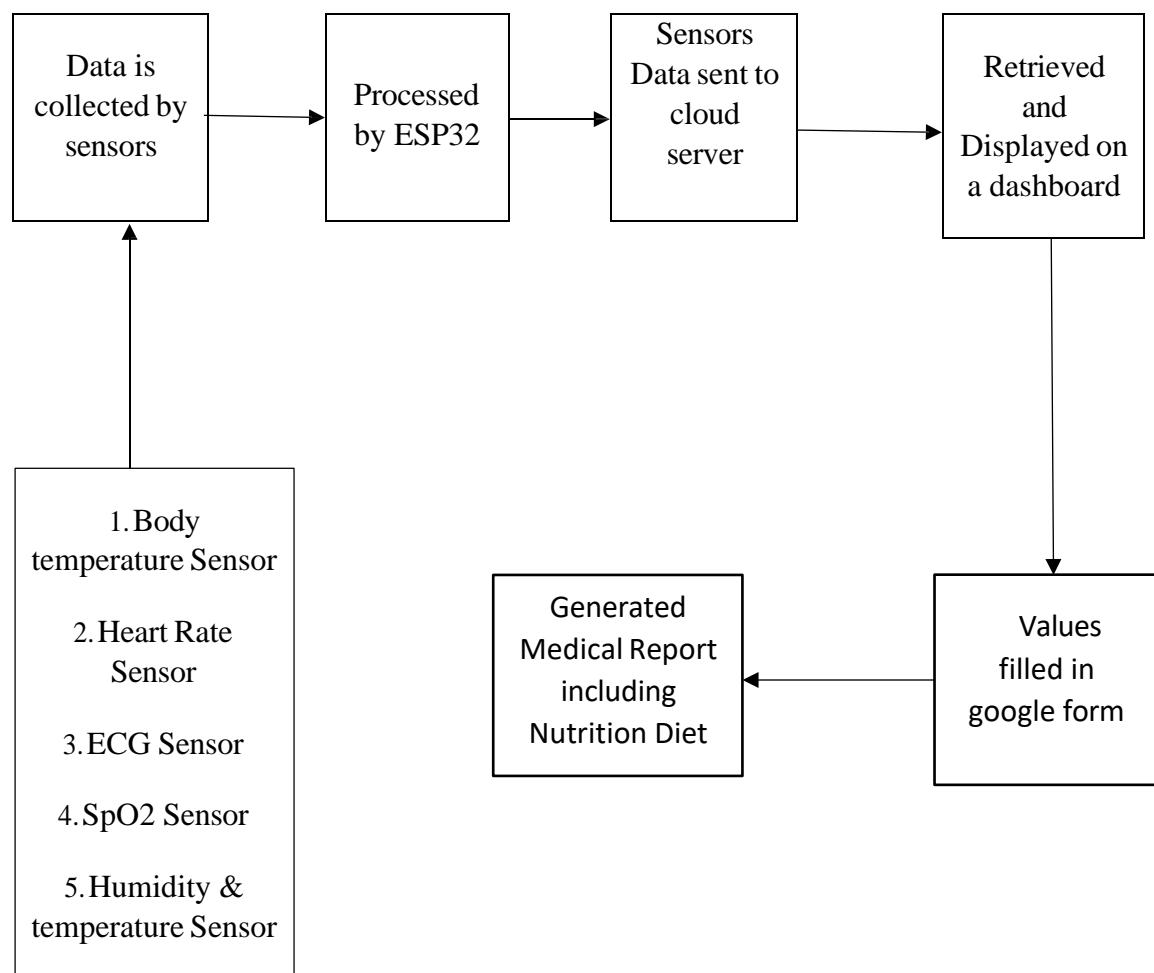


Figure 3.1 Block diagram of Proposed System

### **3.1.1 Components Needed:**

1. ESP32 Development Board : This microcontroller will serve as the brain of the system and manage data collection, processing, and communication.
2. ECG Sensor (e.g., AD8232) : Measures electrical activity of the heart to monitor the ECG signal.
3. Heart Rate Sensor (e.g., MAX30100 or MAX30102) : Measures the heart rate and SpO2 levels by using optical sensors (IR and red LED).
4. Temperature and Humidity Sensor (e.g., DHT22 or HTU21D) : Measures the ambient temperature and humidity around the patient.
5. Temperature Sensor (e.g., LM35 or DS18B20): Measures the body temperature of the user.
6. OLED or TFT Display : Displays real-time readings of ECG, heart rate, SpO2, body temperature, and ambient conditions.
7. Buzzer/LED Indicator (optional) : Alerts the user in case of abnormal readings (e.g., high temperature, low SpO2).
8. Power Supply (e.g., Battery or USB) :Powers the system for portability or continuous operation.
9. Wi-Fi/Bluetooth for Data Transmission : Allows data transmission to a cloud platform or mobile app for monitoring.
10. Cloud Platform (e.g., ThingSpeak, Firebase, Blynk) : For real-time health data logging, remote monitoring, and alerts.

## **3.2 System Design**

1. Data Acquisition : The sensors (ECG, heart rate, SpO2, body temperature, and humidity) are connected to the ESP32.The ESP32 reads analog and digital signals from these sensors at regular intervals.
2. Signal Processing : For the ECG, the AD8232 or any similar ECG sensor will capture the electrical signals from the body. The ESP32 processes these signals, possibly filtering noise and analyzing heart rate patterns. The \*MAX30100/MAX30102\* sensor captures both heart rate and SpO2 using infrared and red light sensors. The ESP32 processes the signals and calculates the heart rate and oxygen saturation. Body temperature is measured by the LM35 sensor, which sends an analog signal corresponding to the user's body temperature.Ambient temperature and humidity are captured by the DHT22 sensor, which sends digital readings to the ESP32.

3. Display and Alerts : The real-time data can be displayed on an OLED/TFT display for immediate monitoring by the user. The display will show heart rate, ECG signals, SpO<sub>2</sub> levels, body temperature, and ambient conditions. Optionally, a buzzer or LED can alert the user if any parameter exceeds predefined thresholds (e.g., temperature > 37.5°C, SpO<sub>2</sub> < 90%).
4. Cloud Connectivity (optional) : The ESP32 can send the data wirelessly over Wi-Fi or Bluetooth to a cloud platform (e.g., ThingSpeak or Firebase). In the cloud, the data is logged, and historical records can be tracked for better insights. The platform can send notifications to a mobile app or web interface when abnormal readings are detected (e.g., a high heart rate or low oxygen levels).
5. Mobile Application (optional) : A mobile app (using Blynk or Firebase) can receive real-time data and push notifications if any monitored health parameter crosses predefined limits.
6. Data Storage & Analysis (optional) : The collected data can be stored in a database or cloud platform for long-term monitoring. Data analysis can provide insights into the user's health trends, and machine learning algorithms can be used to detect anomalies or predict future health conditions.

## CHAPTER 4

### ABOUT MECHANISM

#### 4. CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

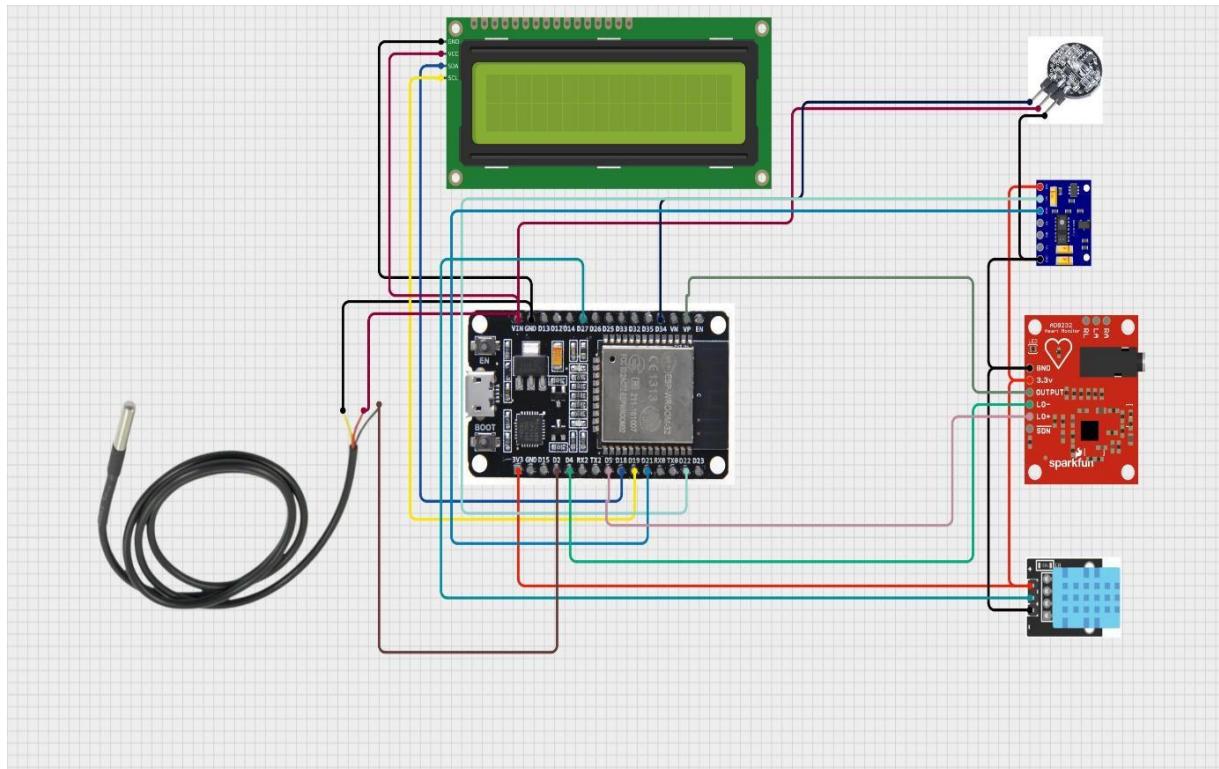


Figure 4.1 Circuit diagram of Smart -Health Monitoring System with ESP32

#### 4.1 MECHANISM OF ESP32 :

The main mechanism are:

1. Hardware Components
2. Software Components
3. Working Components
4. Communication Mechanism
5. Power Management

#### **4.1.1 Hardware Components:**

The ESP32 is a highly integrated microcontroller that features a dual-core Xtensa LX6 microprocessor, integrated 802.11 b/g/n Wi-Fi transceiver, and integrated Bluetooth 4.2 BR/EDR and BLE. It also has 520 KB SRAM, 4 MB flash memory, and 34 programmable GPIOs.

#### **4.1.2 Software Components:**

The ESP32 supports various software frameworks, including the official ESP-IDF development framework, Micro Python, and Arduino Core. These frameworks provide a comprehensive set of libraries and tools for developing applications on the ESP32.

#### **4.1.3 Working Mechanism:**

The ESP32 boots up and executes the boot loader, which then loads the uploaded program into memory. The program executes, interacting with external devices and sensors through the GPIOs. The ESP32 can also connect to Wi-Fi networks and Bluetooth devices, enabling communication with other devices and the internet

#### **4.1.4 Communication Mechanism:**

The ESP32 supports various communication protocols, including Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, and serial communication. It can send and receive data over Wi-Fi using protocols like HTTP, TCP, and UDP. It can also send and receive data over Bluetooth using protocols like GATT and L2CAP. Additionally, it supports serial communication over interfaces like UART and SPI.

#### **4.1.5 Power Management:**

The ESP32 has multiple power modes, including active, sleep, and deep sleep. These power modes enable the ESP32 to conserve power when not actively processing data. The power consumption of the ESP32 varies depending on the power mode and operating frequency.

### **4.2 MECHANISM OF HEART RATE SENSOR :**

A heart rate sensor typically works by detecting the amount of light that is either absorbed or reflected by the skin. These sensors are commonly used in wearable devices like fitness trackers or smartwatches. The most widely used heart rate sensors today are optical sensors based on photoplethysmography (PPG). Here's how it works:

#### **4.2.1. Photoplethysmography (PPG):**

- Light Emission and Detection: The sensor has light-emitting diodes (LEDs) that emit light onto the skin, usually in the green, red, or infrared spectrum.

- Reflection of Light: The emitted light penetrates the skin and gets absorbed or reflected by the blood vessels underneath. The amount of light absorbed changes as the blood volume in the vessels fluctuates with each heartbeat.
- Sensing the Reflection: A photodetector (usually a photodiode) detects the reflected light. The amount of light reflected back to the sensor varies as blood flow changes with each pulse.

#### **4.2.2 Signal Processing:**

- The reflected light is captured and converted into an electrical signal.
- The signal is then processed to extract the variations caused by the heartbeat. This is done by filtering out noise (like ambient light) and focusing on the periodic fluctuations corresponding to the pulse.

#### **4.2.3 Pulse Detection:**

- By analyzing the timing and frequency of these fluctuations, the sensor can determine the heart rate. Each pulse causes a small change in blood volume, which leads to a periodic signal, allowing the sensor to calculate beats per minute (BPM).

#### **4.2.4 Display/Output:**

- After processing, the heart rate value is displayed on the device's screen, or it can be transmitted to a paired smartphone or app.

### **4.3 MECHANISM OF SpO<sub>2</sub> SENSOR:**

An **SpO<sub>2</sub> sensor** measures the **oxygen saturation** in the blood, indicating the percentage of hemoglobin that is bound with oxygen. The most common mechanism for SpO<sub>2</sub> sensors, particularly in pulse oximeters, is **photoplethysmography (PPG)**, similar to the mechanism used in heart rate sensors. Here's a breakdown of how it works:

#### **4.3.1. Key Components of an SpO<sub>2</sub> Sensor:**

- **LEDs (Light Emitting Diodes):** The sensor uses two different wavelengths of light—usually **red light (660 nm)** and **infrared light (940 nm)**.
- **Photodetector:** This component detects the amount of light that is either absorbed or reflected by the skin.

#### **4.3.2. How the SpO<sub>2</sub> Sensor Works:**

##### **1. Light Emission:**

- The sensor emits **red** and **infrared** light through a part of the body, often the fingertip, earlobe, or wrist. The two wavelengths are used because **oxygenated** and **deoxygenated** hemoglobin absorb different amounts of light at these wavelengths.

##### **2. Penetration and Absorption:**

- The emitted light passes through the skin and tissue. Hemoglobin in the blood absorbs a certain amount of light at each wavelength, but the amount of absorption varies depending on whether the hemoglobin is oxygenated (bound to oxygen) or deoxygenated (not bound to oxygen).
  - **Oxygenated Hemoglobin** (HbO<sub>2</sub>) absorbs more infrared light and less red light.
  - **Deoxygenated Hemoglobin** (Hb) absorbs more red light and less infrared light.

##### **3. Light Reflection:**

- After passing through the tissue, the light is either absorbed by the blood or reflected back to the photodetector. The amount of light that gets absorbed or reflected depends on the concentration of oxygenated and deoxygenated hemoglobin in the blood.

##### **4. Detection of Reflected Light:**

- The photodetector measures the amount of **red** and **infrared** light that is reflected back after passing through the tissue. This signal is then processed to calculate the ratio of absorbed light at the two different wavelengths.

##### **5. Signal Processing:**

- The device uses the difference in absorption of red and infrared light to calculate the **ratio of oxygenated hemoglobin to total hemoglobin**. This ratio is used to determine the **oxygen saturation (SpO<sub>2</sub>)** in the blood.
- The **ratio of absorbed red to infrared light** is compared over time, and this data is used to calculate the oxygen saturation percentage. The oxygen saturation can be represented as **SpO<sub>2</sub> = (Oxygenated Hemoglobin / Total Hemoglobin) × 100%**.

##### **6. Display of SpO<sub>2</sub> Value:**

- The final output is displayed as the percentage of **oxygen saturation (SpO<sub>2</sub>)** in the blood, typically ranging from **95% to 100%** in healthy individuals.

### 4.3.3 Why Two Wavelengths?

- The reason two different wavelengths are used (red and infrared) is that oxygenated and deoxygenated blood absorb light differently at these wavelengths:
  - **Red Light (660 nm):** Absorbed more by deoxygenated hemoglobin (Hb).
  - **Infrared Light (940 nm):** Absorbed more by oxygenated hemoglobin ( $\text{HbO}_2$ ).

By comparing how much of each light is absorbed by the blood, the sensor can determine the amount of oxygen present in the blood.

## 4.4 MECHANISM OF DTH11 SENSOR

The DHT11 sensor is a popular, low-cost, digital sensor used for measuring humidity and temperature. It is widely used in DIY electronics, home automation, and environmental monitoring projects. The DHT11 works by using a capacitive humidity sensor and a thermistor to measure temperature and humidity, respectively.

### 4.4.1 Components of the DHT11 Sensor:

#### 1. Capacitive Humidity Sensor:

- This component is used to measure relative humidity. It consists of a hygroscopic (water-absorbing) material that forms one plate of a capacitor. The other plate is a conductive layer that changes capacitance based on the amount of water vapor in the air. As the humidity changes, the dielectric constant of the hygroscopic material changes, which alters the capacitance.

#### 2. Thermistor:

- A thermistor is used to measure temperature. It's a type of resistor whose resistance varies with temperature. The DHT11 uses the resistance of the thermistor to calculate the temperature. When the temperature changes, the resistance of the thermistor changes, and this change is used to determine the temperature in Celsius or Fahrenheit.

#### 3. Microcontroller (Embedded in the Sensor):

- The sensor has a built-in microcontroller that processes the signals from the humidity sensor and thermistor. It converts the analog values into a digital signal, which is then sent to the microcontroller or the system (like Arduino or Raspberry Pi) to be interpreted and displayed.

#### **4. Communication Protocol:**

- The DHT11 communicates with an external microcontroller via a single-wire digital interface. The microcontroller sends a request for data, and the DHT11 responds by transmitting a series of data pulses that correspond to the temperature and humidity readings.

##### **4.4.2 How the DHT11 Sensor Works:**

###### **1. Humidity Measurement:**

- **Capacitive Sensing:** The capacitive humidity sensor detects changes in the relative humidity in the environment. The material used in the sensor changes its capacitance as it absorbs or releases water vapor in the air.
- **Capacitance to Digital Conversion:** The change in capacitance is measured and converted by the built-in microcontroller into a digital signal, which represents the relative humidity of the air. The digital signal is then sent to the external microcontroller, which can process and display it.

###### **2. Temperature Measurement:**

- **Thermistor Sensing:** The thermistor inside the DHT11 sensor has a resistance that changes with the temperature of the surrounding environment.
- **Resistance to Digital Conversion:** The sensor converts the change in resistance into a digital signal corresponding to the temperature.
- **Data Transmission:** The temperature data is sent along with the humidity data to the external microcontroller via the single-wire communication interface.

###### **3. Data Communication:**

- The DHT11 uses a single-wire digital interface for communication. Here's how it works:
  - The external microcontroller sends a start signal to the DHT11 to initiate data transmission.
  - The DHT11 responds by sending a series of binary data pulses, which represent the temperature and humidity values.
  - The digital pulses are then interpreted by the microcontroller into a readable temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and humidity (%) values.

##### **4.4.3 Data Format:**

- The DHT11 sensor sends a 40-bit data packet, which contains:

- Humidity: 8 bits for the integer part of the humidity and 8 bits for the decimal part.
- Temperature: 8 bits for the integer part of the temperature and 8 bits for the decimal part.
- Checksum: 8 bits for a checksum value to ensure data integrity.

After the microcontroller receives the data, it performs a checksum validation to verify that the received data is correct.

## **4.5 MECHANISM OF ECG SENSOR**

An ECG sensor (electrocardiogram sensor) is used to measure the electrical activity of the heart. It detects the electrical signals generated by the heart as it beats, which can be used to diagnose various heart conditions and monitor heart health. Here's a breakdown of how the ECG sensor works:

### **4.5.1 Key Components of an ECG Sensor:**

#### **1. Electrodes:**

- ECG sensors use multiple electrodes placed on the skin to detect the electrical signals produced by the heart.
- The electrodes are usually placed on the chest, arms, and legs, depending on the type of ECG being performed.
- Commonly, a standard ECG uses 12 electrodes, but simpler devices may use fewer electrodes for basic monitoring (e.g., a 3-lead or 5-lead ECG).

#### **2. Amplifier:**

- The electrical signals detected by the electrodes are weak, typically in the range of 1 millivolt (mV), so they need to be amplified.
- The amplifier boosts these weak signals to a level that can be processed and analyzed.

#### **3. Signal Processor:**

- After amplification, the electrical signals are filtered to remove noise (e.g., muscle contractions, electrical interference, etc.).
- The signal processor then analyzes the frequency, timing, and amplitude of the electrical signals to produce a waveform that represents the heart's activity.

#### **4. Display or Output Device:**

- The processed ECG signal is displayed as a graph, typically showing a waveform that corresponds to the electrical events occurring in the heart during each beat.
- The result is typically a PQRST wave, which represents different phases of the heart's electrical cycle.

#### **4.5.2 How the ECG Sensor Works:**

##### **1. Electrical Activity of the Heart:**

- The heart's pumping action is controlled by electrical impulses that travel through the heart muscle. These electrical impulses initiate the contraction of the heart chambers, which pumps blood throughout the body.
- The electrical activity of the heart can be divided into several phases:
  - P-wave: Depolarization of the atria (the upper chambers of the heart).
  - QRS complex: Depolarization of the ventricles (the lower chambers of the heart).
  - T-wave: Repolarization of the ventricles, which prepares them for the next heartbeat.
  - The PQRST waveform is the combination of these electrical activities over one heartbeat.

##### **2. Detection by Electrodes:**

- When the heart generates electrical signals, these signals spread through the body and can be detected at the skin surface using electrodes.
- The electrodes are placed on the skin to detect the voltage difference caused by the electrical impulses traveling through the heart. The most common configuration uses three or five electrodes placed on different parts of the body (e.g., chest, arms, and legs).
- Each electrode measures the electrical potential difference between the heart and that specific electrode. These readings help form a complete picture of the heart's electrical activity.

##### **3. Amplification and Signal Processing:**

- The electrical signals detected by the electrodes are weak and need to be amplified.
- Once amplified, the signals are filtered to remove noise (e.g., interference from muscle movements, electrical devices, etc.).

- The clean signal is then analyzed and processed to generate a continuous waveform that corresponds to the heart's electrical activity. The processed signals are displayed as a graph or waveform.

#### **4. Waveform Interpretation:**

- The resulting ECG waveform consists of different components that represent specific electrical events in the heart's cycle:
  - P-wave: Represents the depolarization of the atria.
  - QRS complex: Represents the depolarization of the ventricles, which triggers the heart's contraction.
  - T-wave: Represents the repolarization of the ventricles (recovery phase).
- These components are interpreted to assess the heart's rhythm, detect arrhythmias (irregular heartbeats), and monitor the heart's health.

#### **5. Transmission or Display:**

- In modern ECG systems, the waveform can be displayed on a monitor or transmitted to a computer or mobile device for further analysis.
- Advanced systems may also use algorithms to automatically detect abnormalities in the ECG pattern and alert the user or a medical professional.

##### **4.5.3 Types of ECG Sensors:**

###### **1. Standard 12-lead ECG:**

- Uses 12 electrodes placed on specific parts of the body (e.g., chest, arms, legs) to provide a comprehensive view of the heart's electrical activity from different angles.

###### **2. Portable/Wearable ECG Sensors:**

- These are simpler, smaller ECG sensors that use fewer electrodes, often just 1 or 3, to provide a basic, portable way of monitoring the heart's electrical activity.
- These sensors are commonly used in wearable health devices (like smartwatches) for continuous monitoring.

##### **4.5.4 ECG Signal Characteristics:**

- The typical ECG signal is a time-domain signal, meaning it shows the electrical activity of the heart over time.
- The PQRST waveform repeats with each heartbeat, and the frequency (or the time between successive PQRST cycles) is used to determine the heart rate.

- The intervals and amplitude of the waves can also be analyzed to detect arrhythmias, heart disease, and other conditions.

## 4.6 MECHANISM OF BODY TEMPERATURE SENSOR:

A body temperature sensor measures the body temperature, which is a key indicator of health. These sensors are used in various applications, including medical devices like thermometers, fitness trackers, and health-monitoring systems. There are different types of body temperature sensors, but the most common types are thermistors, thermocouples, and infrared sensors. Let's explore how these sensors work.

### 4.6.1 Thermistors (Resistive Temperature Sensors)

Thermistors are commonly used in digital thermometers for measuring body temperature. A thermistor is a type of resistor whose resistance changes with temperature. It is often used in contact-based body temperature measurements (like under the tongue, armpit, or rectally).

#### Mechanism:

- **Thermistor Behavior:** Thermistors have a specific resistance that varies with temperature. The relationship between temperature and resistance is typically non-linear, but it can be accurately characterized for specific types of thermistors.
- **Temperature to Resistance Conversion:** When the temperature changes, the thermistor's resistance will either increase or decrease depending on the type (NTC or PTC):
  - **NTC (Negative Temperature Coefficient):** As the temperature increases, the resistance decreases.
  - **PTC (Positive Temperature Coefficient):** As the temperature increases, the resistance increases.
- **Signal Conversion:** The sensor circuit measures the resistance of the thermistor and converts it into a temperature reading. This is typically done through an analog-to-digital converter (ADC) that provides the temperature in a readable format (Celsius or Fahrenheit).
- **Temperature Calculation:** Once the resistance value is obtained, the microcontroller uses a lookup table or an equation to convert the resistance to a precise temperature reading.

### 4.6.2 Thermocouples

Thermocouples are another type of temperature sensor, though they are less commonly used for body temperature measurement due to their sensitivity and the need for more complex signal processing.

### Mechanism:

- **Temperature-induced Voltage Generation:** A thermocouple consists of two different metal wires joined at one end. When the junction between the two metals is heated (due to the body temperature), a voltage is generated at the junction, a phenomenon known as the Seebeck effect.
- **Voltage to Temperature Conversion:** The generated voltage is proportional to the temperature difference between the junction and the other ends of the metal wires. By measuring this voltage and applying the correct calibration, the temperature can be calculated.
- **Amplification and Processing:** The small voltage generated by the thermocouple is amplified and converted to a temperature reading by the microcontroller or signal processor.

### 4.6.3 Infrared Temperature Sensors (Non-contact)

Infrared (IR) temperature sensors, often called thermopiles or infrared thermometers, are commonly used for non-contact body temperature measurement. These are often used in forehead thermometers or handheld IR thermometers in medical settings.

### Mechanism:

- **Infrared Radiation Detection:** All objects, including the human body, emit infrared radiation as a function of their temperature. The intensity of this infrared radiation increases with temperature.
- **Thermopile Sensor:** A thermopile is a type of sensor that absorbs the infrared radiation and converts it into heat. The heat then creates a voltage difference across the thermopile. The greater the intensity of the infrared radiation, the higher the voltage generated.
- **Signal Processing:** The thermopile's output voltage is proportional to the temperature of the object emitting the infrared radiation (in this case, the body). The sensor processes this voltage to estimate the temperature of the body.
- **Calibration and Conversion:** The system uses calibration data to convert the voltage into a temperature value, typically in Celsius or Fahrenheit.
- **Non-contact Measurement:** Because the sensor detects the infrared radiation without needing to touch the skin, it is particularly useful for quick, non-invasive temperature measurement.

#### **4.6.4 Silicon-Based Sensors (Integrated Circuit Sensors)**

Some advanced body temperature sensors use silicon-based sensors embedded in integrated circuits (ICs). These are often used in wearable devices, smartwatches, or continuous health monitoring systems.

##### **Mechanism:**

- **Semiconductor Temperature Sensing:** These sensors use the change in the electrical properties (such as the forward voltage drop in a diode) of a semiconductor material as temperature changes.
- **Voltage to Temperature Conversion:** The change in the electrical property is measured and converted into a temperature reading using a calibration algorithm.

# CHAPTER 5

## REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

### Hardware Requirement

This project is based on both hardware and software. The hardware requirements are as follows

1. ESP32 MODULE
2. AD8232 ECG SENSOR
3. PULSE SENSOR
4. MAX30102 SpO<sub>2</sub> SENSOR
5. DS18B20 BODY TEMPERATURE SENSOR
6. DHT11 HUMIDITY & TEMPERATURE SENSOR
7. 16 : 2 LCD DISPLAY

### 5.1 ESP32 (ESPRESSIF SYSTEM)

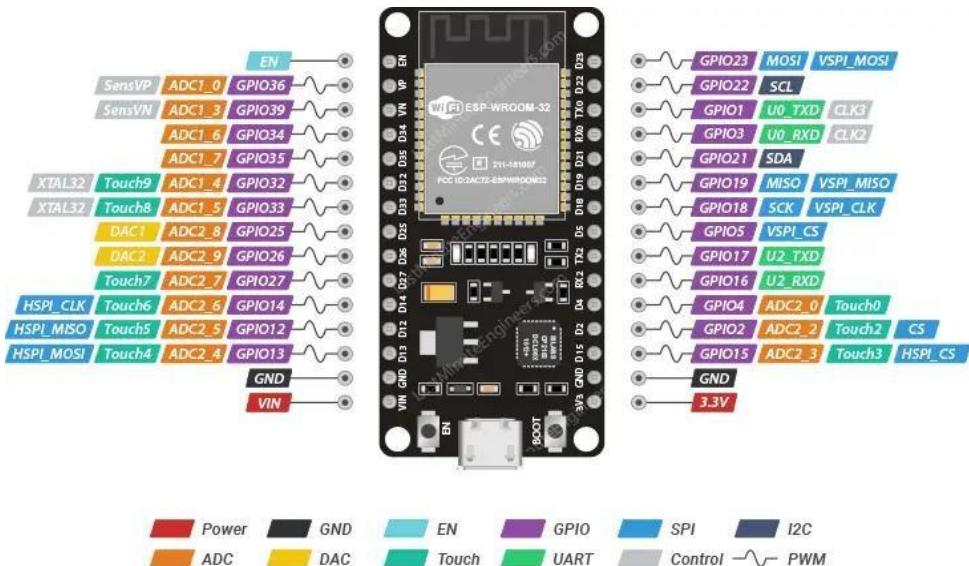


Figure 5.1: ESP32 Pin Diagram

The ESP32 is a low-cost, low-power system-on-chip (SoC) microcontroller developed by Espressif Systems. The above figure shows the pin configuration of ESP32.

## **ABOUT ESP32**

The ESP32 is a powerful and versatile microcontroller with built-in Wi-Fi and Bluetooth capabilities, making it ideal for IoT applications. It features a dual core processor, low power consumption, and a wide range of peripherals. Due to its high performance and connectivity options, it is widely used in smart devices, home automation, and industrial applications.

### **5.1.1 SPECIFICATIONS OF ESP32:**

- Microcontroller: Xtensa Dual-Core 32-bit LX6
- Operating Voltage: 3.3V
- Wi-Fi: 802.11 b/g/n
- Bluetooth: v4.2 (Classic + BLE)
- GPIO Pins: 34
- Analog Input Pins: 18 (12-bit ADC)  
Digital I/O Pins: 34
- PWM Channels: 16
- Clock Speed: Up to 240MHz
- Flash Memory: 4MB (varies by model)
- SRAM: 520KB
- Communication Interfaces: UART, SPI, I2C, I2S, CAN, Ethernet

### **5.1.2 PINS CONFIGURATION:**

#### **1. DIGITAL PINS:**

- GPIO0: Digital input/output pin, also used for flash mode.
- GPIO1: Digital input/output pin, also used for TXD (transmit) pin.
- GPIO2: Digital input/output pin, also used for RXD (receive) pin.
- GPIO3: Digital input/output pin, also used for flash mode.
- GPIO4: Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO5: Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO12: Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO13: Digital input/output pin.
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- GPIO27:Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO32:Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO33:Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO34:Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO35:Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO36:Digital input/output pin.
- GPIO39:Digital input/output pin.

## **2. OUTPUT PINS:**

- A0(GPIO36): Analog input pin.
- A1(GPIO39): Analog input pin.
- A2(GPIO34): Analog input pin.
- A3(GPIO35): Analog input pin.
- A4(GPIO32): Analog input pin.
- A5(GPIO33): Analog input pin.

## **3. POWER PINS:**

- VIN:Input voltage pin (3.3V-6V).
- 3.3V:Output voltage pin (3.3V).
- GND:Groundpin.

## **4. Other Pins:**

- EN:Enablepin, used to enable/disable the ESP32.
- RST:Reset pin, used to reset the ESP32.
- UART0\_TX:Transmit pin for UART0.
- UART0\_RX:Receive pin for UART0.
- UART1\_TX:Transmit pin for UART1.
- UART1\_RX:Receive pin for UART1.

Note: Some pins have multiple functions, and some are used for specific communication protocols like UART, SPI, and I2C

## 5.2 AD8232 ECG SENSOR

The electrocardiography or ECG is a technique for gathering electrical signals which are generated from the human heart. When someone experiences physiological arousal then the ECG sensor allows us to recognize the level, however, it is also used for understanding the psychological state of humans. So an AD8232 sensor is used to calculate the electrical activity of the heart. This is a small chip and the electrical action of this can be charted like an ECG (Electrocardiogram). Electrocardiography can be used to help in diagnosing different conditions of the heart. This article provides an overview of the AD8232 ECG Sensor.

Heart diseases are becoming a big issue for the last few decades and many people die because of certain health problems. Therefore, heart disease cannot be taken lightly. By analyzing or monitoring the ECG signal at the initial stage this disease can be prevented. So we present this project, i.e ECG Monitoring with AD8232 ECG Sensor & Arduino with ECG Graph. The AD8232 is a neat little chip used to measure the electrical activity of the heart. This electrical activity can be charted as an ECG or Electrocardiogram. Electrocardiography is used to help diagnose various heart conditions. So in this project, we will interface AD8232 ECG Sensor with Arduino and observe the ECG signal on a serial plotter or Processing IDE.

### 5.2.1 What is ECG?

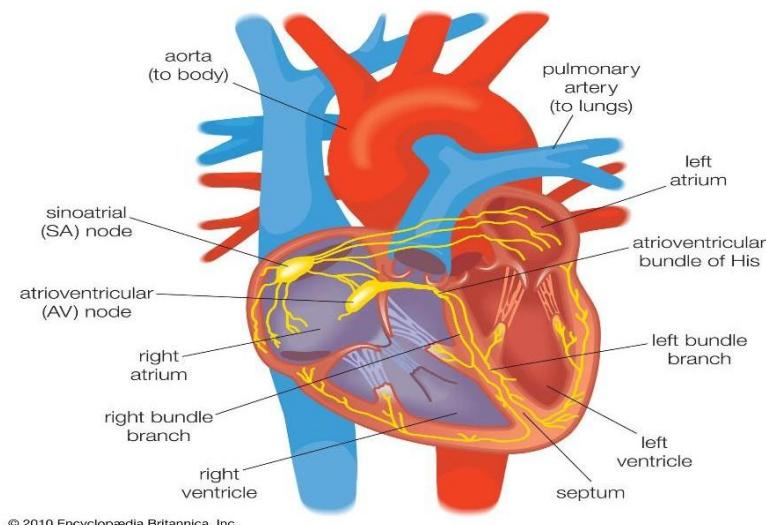


Figure 5.2: Heart Diagram

ECG An ECG is a paper or digital recording of the electrical signals in the heart. It is also called an electrocardiogram or an EKG. The ECG is used to determine heart rate, heart rhythm, and other information regarding the heart's condition. ECGs are used to help diagnose heart arrhythmias, heart attacks, pacemaker function, and heart failure.

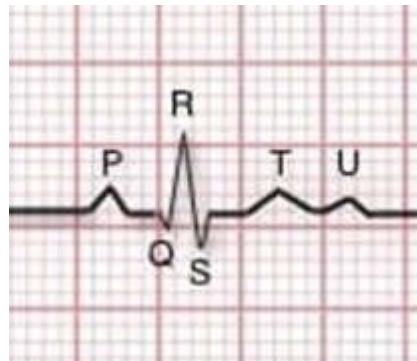


Figure 5.3: ECG Waveform

ECG Representation 36 ECG can be analyzed by studying components of the waveform. These waveform components indicate cardiac electrical activity. The first upward of the ECG tracing is the P wave. It indicates atrial contraction.

### 5.2.2 What is an AD8232 ECG Sensor?

AD8232 ECG sensor is a commercial board used to calculate the electrical movement of the human heart. This action can be chart like an Electrocardiogram and the output of this is an analog reading. Electrocardiograms can be very noisy, so to reduce the noise the AD8232 chip can be used. The working principle of the ECG sensor is like an operational amplifier to help in getting a clear signal from the intervals simply.

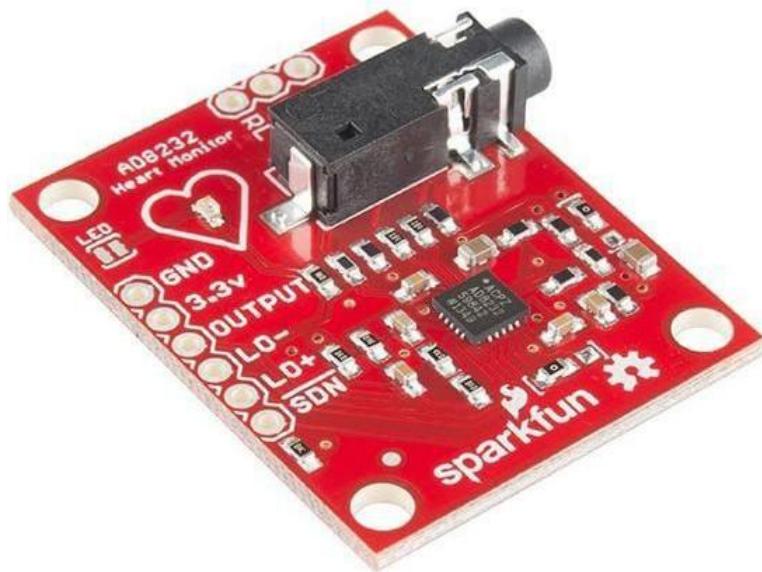


Figure 5.4: AD8232 ECG sensor

**ECG SENSOR** The AD8232 sensor is used for signal conditioning in ECG as well as other measurement applications of biopotential. The main purpose of this chip is to amplify, extract

as well as filter biopotential signals which are small in the noisy conditions like those formed through the replacement of remote electrode as well as motion.

### 5.2.3 AD8232 Pin Configuration

The heart rate monitoring sensor like AD8232 includes the pins like SDN pin, LO+ pin, LO- pin, OUTPUT pin, 3.3V pin, and GND pin. So that we can connect this IC to development boards like Arduino by soldering pins. 37 Additionally, this board includes pins like the right arm (RA), left arm (LA) & right leg (RL) pins to connect custom sensors. An LED indicator in this board is used to indicate the heartbeat rhythm of humans. The AD8232 sensor comprises a function like quick restore, used to decrease the length of long resolving tails of the HPFs. This sensor is accessible in a 4 mm × 4 mm size, and the package of this sensor is 20-lead LFCSP. It operates from  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  -to-  $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$  but the performance is specified from  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  -to-  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

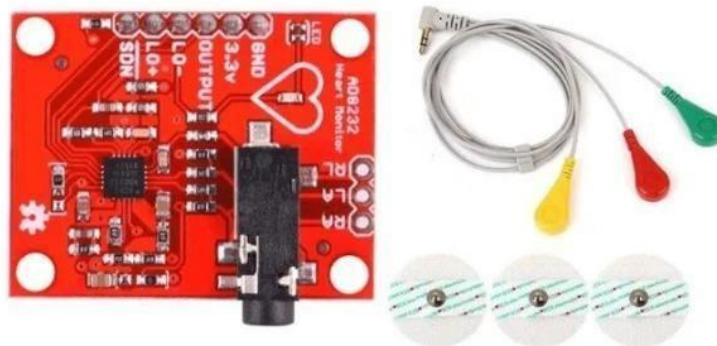


Figure 5.5 : AD8232 ECG Sensor with Probs

### Circuit Diagram/Connection between ESP32 and ECG Sensor AD8232

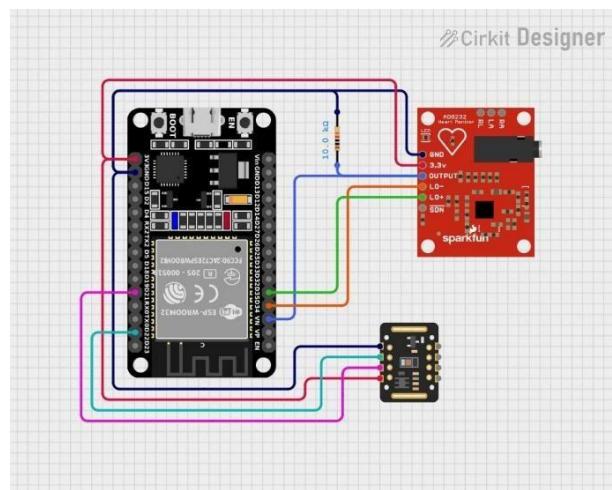


Figure 5.6 : Interfacing Of AD8232 With ESP32

### Wiring the AD8232 to the ESP32

The **AD8232** module has **six** main pins used for connection:

<b>AD8232 Pin</b>	<b>ESP32 Pin</b>
<b>GND</b>	GND
<b>3.3V</b>	3.3V
<b>OUTPUT</b>	GPIO36 (VP)
<b>LO-</b>	Not Connected
<b>LO+</b>	Not Connected
<b>SDN</b>	Not Connected

Table 5.1: Pin Configuration

#### 5.2.4 Features and Specifications :

##### AD8232 Heart Rate Monitor

The **AD8232** is an **ECG (Electrocardiogram) Sensor Module** that measures heart activity. It is commonly used in fitness applications and medical monitoring.

##### Features:

- **Single Lead ECG Monitoring** – Measures heart rate using three electrodes.
- **Noise Filtering** – Provides clean signals for better heart rate readings.
- **Compact and Low Power** – Ideal for battery-powered applications.
- **Analog Output** – Easy to interface with microcontrollers like ESP32.
- **Leads-Off Detection** – Detects if electrodes are disconnected.

##### Specifications:

- **Operating Voltage:** 3.3V
- **Output Type:** Analog signal
- **Leads-Off Detection:** Digital HIGH/LOW output
- **Electrode Connection:** 3-lead system
- **Size:** Small and lightweight module

## 5.3 PULSE SENSOR

Heart rate monitoring is essential for fitness tracking, medical applications, and biofeedback systems. However, manually calculating the heartbeat rate can be complex. To simplify this, the **Pulse Sensor** (also known as a heartbeat sensor) is used. This **plug & play sensor** is designed for easy interfacing with microcontrollers like **ESP32** and **Arduino**. It uses an optical method to measure blood flow and provides reliable heartbeat readings.

#### 5.3.1 What is the Pulse Sensor?

The **Pulse Sensor** is an optical heart rate sensor that detects the change in blood volume using a **photoplethysmography (PPG)** technique. It can be attached to a fingertip or earlobe,

and the readings are processed by a microcontroller to determine the heart rate.



Figure 5.7: Pulse Sensor

The pulse sensor includes a 24 inches color code cable, ear clip, Velcro Dots-2, transparent stickers-3, etc.

- A color code cable is connected to header connectors. So this sensor is easily connected to an Arduino into the project without soldering.
- An ear clip size is the same as a heart rate sensor and it can be connected using hot glue at the backside of the sensor to wear on the earlobe.
- Two Velcro dots are completely sized toward the sensor at the hook side. These are extremely useful while making a Velcro strap to cover approximately a fingertip. This is used to cover the Sensor around the finger.
- Transparent strikers are protection layers used to protect the sensor from sweaty earlobes and fingers. This sensor includes three holes in the region of the external edge so that one can easily connect anything to it.

### 5.3.2 Pulse Sensor Specifications

The main specifications of this sensor mainly include the following.

- This is a hear beat detecting and biometric pulse rate sensor
- Its diameter is 0.625
- Its thickness is 0.125
- The operating voltage is ranges +5V otherwise +3.3V
- This is a plug and play type sensor
- The current utilization is 4mA
- Includes the circuits like Amplification & Noise cancellation
- This pulse sensor is not approved by the FDA or medical. So it is used in student-level projects, not for the commercial purpose in health issues applications.

### 5.3.3 Pin Configuration

The heartbeat sensor includes three pins which discussed below.



Figure 5.8 Pulse Sensor with Pin Configuration

- Pin-1 (GND): Black Color Wire – It is connected to the GND terminal of the system.
- Pin-2 (VCC): Red Color Wire – It is connected to the supply voltage (+5V otherwise +3.3V) of the system.
- Pin-3 (Signal): Purple Color Wire – It is connected to the pulsating o/p signal.

### 5.3.4 How Does Pulse Sensor Work?

The **pulse sensor working principle** is very simple. This sensor has two surfaces, on the first surface, the light-emitting diode & ambient light sensor is connected. Similarly, on the second surface, the circuit is connected which is accountable for the noise cancellation & amplification.

The LED is located above a vein in a human body like ear tip or fingertip, however, it must be located on top of a layer directly. Once the LED is located on the vein, then the LED starts emitting light. Once the heart is pumping, then there will be a flow of blood within the veins. So if we check the blood flow, then we can check the heart rates also.

If the blood flow is sensed then the ambient light sensor will receive more light as they will be reproduced by the flow of blood. This small change within obtained light can be examined over time to decide our pulse rates.

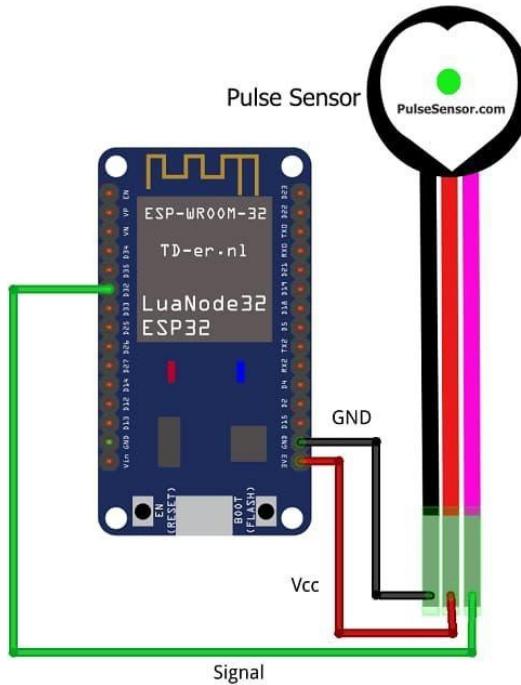


Figure 5.9: Pulse Sensor with ESP32

### 5.3.5 Wiring ESP32 with Pulse Sensor

The Pulse Sensor has **three pins**:

Pulse Sensor Pin	ESP32 Pin
VCC (3.3V/5V)	3.3V
GND	GND
Signal (A0)	GPIO36 (VP)

Table 5.2: Pulse Sensor Pin Configuration

**Note:** The ESP32 operates at **3.3V logic level**, so connect the **Pulse Sensor VCC to 3.3V** to avoid issues.

### 5.3.6 Applications of Pulse Sensor

The applications of pulse rate sensor include the following.

- This sensor is used for Sleep Tracking
- This sensor is used for Anxiety monitoring
- This sensor is used in remote patient monitoring or alarm system
- This sensor is used in Health bands
- This sensor is used in complex gaming consoles

## 5.4 MAX30102 SpO<sub>2</sub> SENSOR

The **MAX30102** is a **pulse oximeter and heart rate sensor** used to measure **SpO<sub>2</sub> (blood oxygen saturation)** and **heart rate** using optical methods. It is commonly used in **wearables, medical devices, and fitness applications**.



Figure 5.10: MAX30102 SpO<sub>2</sub> Sensor

### 5.4.1 Key Features:

- Measures Heart Rate (HR) & SpO<sub>2</sub> using red & infrared LEDs
- Integrated LED drivers, photodetectors, and signal processing
- I<sup>2</sup>C Interface for communication
- Low power consumption (ideal for battery-powered applications)
- On-chip temperature sensor
- High sampling rates (up to 3.2 kHz)

### 5.4.2 Electrical Specifications:

- Operating Voltage: 1.8V – 3.3V (typically powered at 3.3V)
- Current Consumption: Low power mode (~0.7μA), active (~600μA)
- Communication: I<sup>2</sup>C (7-bit address: 0x57)
- LED Wavelengths:
  - Red LED: 660 nm
  - IR LED: 880 nm

### 5.4.3 Pin Configuration of MAX30102:

Pin	Name	Function
1	<b>VIN</b>	Power supply (1.8V – 3.3V)
2	<b>GND</b>	Ground
3	<b>SCL</b>	I <sup>2</sup> C Clock (connect to ESP32 GPIO22)
4	<b>SDA</b>	I <sup>2</sup> C Data (connect to ESP32 GPIO21)
5	<b>INT</b>	Interrupt pin (not mandatory)
6	<b>RD</b>	Not used (connect to GND)

Table 5.3: MAX30102 Pin Configuration

#### 5.4.4 Circuit Diagram/Connection between ESP32 and MAX30102

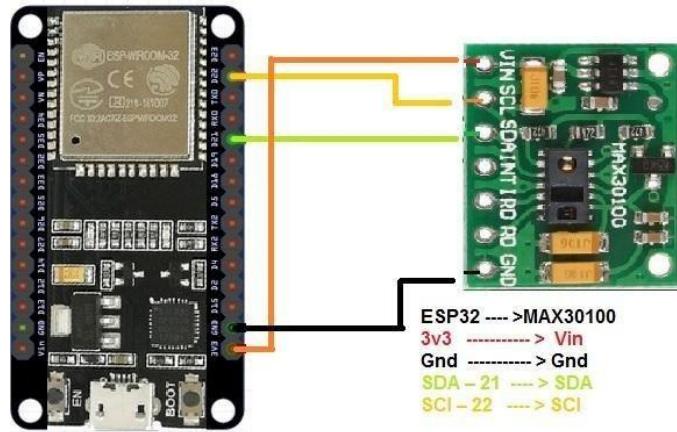


Figure 5.11 : MAX30102 with ESP32

#### 5.4.5 Connecting MAX30102 SpO<sub>2</sub> Sensor with ESP32

The MAX30102 is an optical sensor used for measuring heart rate (HR) and blood oxygen saturation (SpO<sub>2</sub>). It communicates with the ESP32 using the I<sup>2</sup>C protocol. Below is a detailed explanation of the connection process.

##### Interfacing MAX30102 with ESP32 (I<sup>2</sup>C Connection)

MAX30102 Pin	ESP32 Pin
VIN	3.3V
GND	GND
SCL	GPIO22
SDA	GPIO21
INT	Any GPIO (optional)

Table 5.4: Interfacing MAX30102 with ESP32

##### Applications:

- Wearable health devices
- Fitness trackers & smartwatches
- Remote patient monitoring
- IoT-based health applications

## 5.5 DS18B20 BODY TEMPERATURE SENSOR

The DS18B20 is a digital temperature sensor that provides accurate temperature readings with a 1-Wire communication protocol. It is commonly used in body temperature measurement, environmental monitoring, and industrial applications.



Figure 5.12: Body Temperature Sensor

### 5.5.1 Specifications

- Communicates over one-wire bus communication
- Power supply range: 3.0V to 5.5V
- Operating temperature range: -55°C to +125°C
- Accuracy +/-0.5 °C (between the range -10°C to 85°C)

### 5.5.2 Applications

The applications of the DS18B20 waterproof temperature sensor are listed below.

- Used to measure temperature in harsh environments like soils, mines, chemical solutions, etc.
- Used to measure liquid temperature.
- Used in multiple temperature measurement applications.
- Used in industrial systems.
- Used in consumer products.
- Thermostatic controls, thermometers, and thermally sensitive systems.
- Communicates over one-wire bus communication
- Power supply range: 3.0V to 5.5V
- Used to measure liquid temperature.
- Used in multiple temperature measurement applications.

### 5.5.3 Interfacing DS18B20 with ESP32

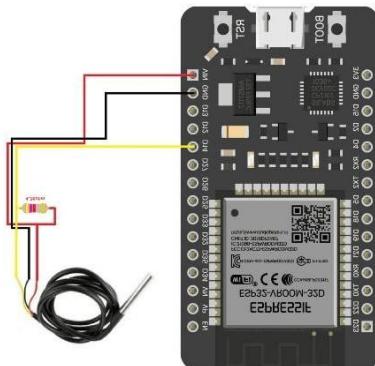


Figure 5.13: DS18B20 with ESP32

The ESP32 Board we interfacing the DS18B20 Sensor to Digital Pin D14 Pin Number. The ESP32 is to Send and Receive Data to / From DS18B20 and we need only one wire for proper Communication.

Powering up the DS18B20 Sensor with normal Power. So, the VCC of DS18B20 is conected to the Vin of the ESP32 Board.

NOTE: The Range of power supply for DS18B20 is 3v to 5.5v.

The GND pin is conected to the GND pin of the ESP32 Board.

### 5.6 DHT11 HUMIDITY AND TEMPERATURE SENSOR

The DHT11 is a basic, ultra low-cost digital temperature and humidity sensor. It uses a capacitive humidity sensor and a thermistor to measure the surrounding air and spits out a digital signal on the data pin (no analog input pins needed). It's fairly simple to use but requires careful timing to grab data.

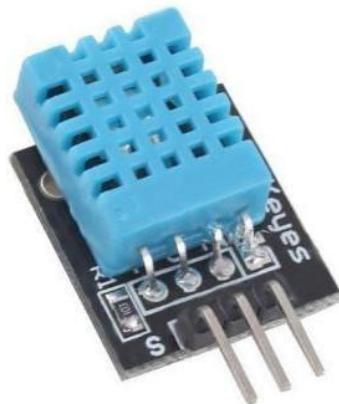


Figure 5.14: DHT11

### 5.6.1 Working Principle of DHT11 Sensor

DHT11 sensor consists of a capacitive humidity sensing element and a thermistor for sensing temperature. The humidity sensing [capacitor](#) has two electrodes with a moisture holding substrate as a dielectric between them. Change in the capacitance value occurs with the change in humidity levels. The IC measure, process this changed resistance values and change them into digital form.

For measuring temperature this sensor uses a Negative Temperature coefficient thermistor, which causes a decrease in its resistance value with increase in temperature. To get larger resistance value even for the smallest change in temperature, this sensor is usually made up of semiconductor ceramics or polymers.

The temperature range of DHT11 is from 0 to 50 degree Celsius with a 2-degree accuracy. Humidity range of this sensor is from 20 to 80% with 5% accuracy. The sampling rate of this sensor is 1Hz i.e. it gives one reading for every second. DHT11 is small in size with operating voltage from 3 to 5 volts. The maximum current used while measuring is 2.5mA.

### 5.6.2 Applications

The DHT11 is suitable for various applications, including:

- Measuring temperature and humidity in HVAC systems.
- Weather stations.
- Home automation.
- Industrial monitoring.

### Interfacing DHT11 with ESP32

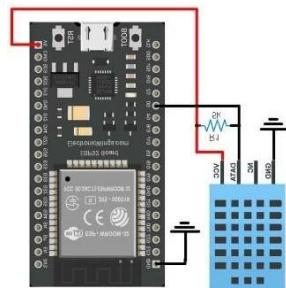


Figure 5.15: DHT11 with ESP32

#### Pin configuration

DHT11 is a 4-pin sensor, these pins are VCC, DATA, and GND and one pin is not in use

**VCC:** Power supply pin connects to 3 to 5.5V DC.

**DATA:** Output in digital pin

**GND:** Ground

**Supply Current:** 0.5mA to 2.5mA

**Standby Current:** 100uA 150uA

## 5.7 16\*2 LCD(LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY)

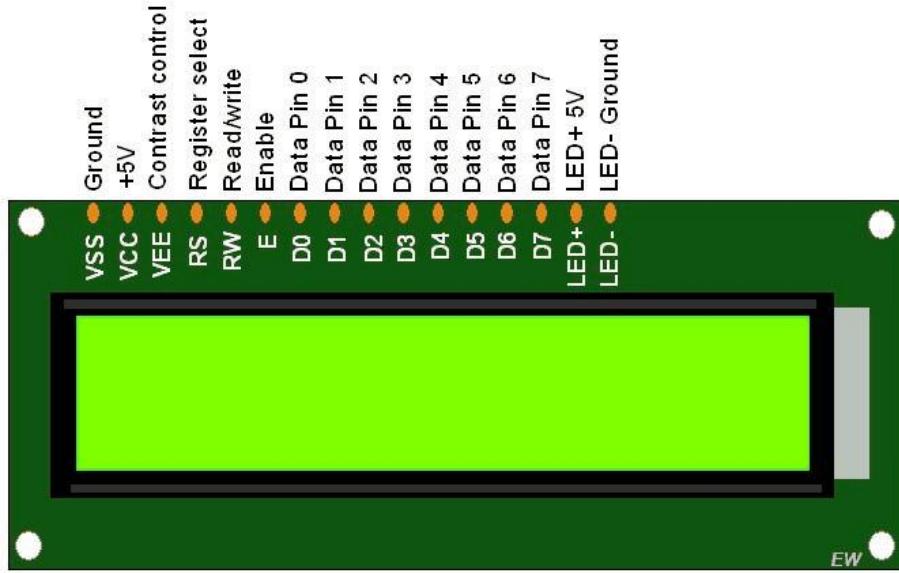


Figure 5.16: 16\*2 LCD

### ABOUT 16\*2 LCD:

The 16x2 LCD Display is a commonly used character display that can show 16 characters per row across 2 rows. It operates with an HD44780 controller and can be interfaced with microcontrollers using 4-bit or 8-bit parallel communication. It is widely used in embedded systems, automation, and DIY electronics projects for displaying text and numerical data.

#### 5.7.1 SPECIFICATIONS OF 16\*2 LCD:

##### Physical Specifications:

- **Dimensions:**
  - Typically around 80 mm x 36 mm x 12 mm (depends on manufacturer)
- **Weight:** Approx. 20-30 grams
- **Viewing Angle:** Typically around 60° (from the normal view)

##### Electrical Specifications:

- **Operating Voltage:** 5V DC (common), but some versions support 3.3V.
- **Current Consumption:**
  - Typically around 1.5-2.5mA when idle (without backlight)
  - Around 30-50mA with the backlight turned on
- **Backlight:** LED (Typically with an adjustable brightness)
  - Backlight current: Approximately 20mA-30mA (depends on the backlight settings)
  - Can be turned off to save power.

### **5.7.2 Features of LCD16x2**

The features of this LCD mainly include the following.

- The operating voltage of this LCD is 4.7V-5.3V
- It includes two rows where each row can produce 16-characters.
- The utilization of current is 1mA with no backlight
- Every character can be built with a  $5 \times 8$  pixel box
- The alphanumeric LCDs alphabets & numbers
- Its display can work on two modes like 4-bit & 8-bit
- These are obtainable in Blue & Green Backlight
- It displays a few custom generated characters

### **5.7.3 Registers of LCD**

A  $16 \times 2$  LCD has two registers like data register and command register. The RS (register select) is mainly used to change from one register to another. When the register set is '0', then it is known as command register. Similarly, when the register set is '1', then it is known as data register.

#### **1. Command Register**

The main function of the command register is to store the instructions of command which are given to the display. So that predefined tasks can be performed such as clearing the display, initializing, set the cursor place, and display control. Here commands processing can occur within the register.

#### **2. Data Register**

The main function of the data register is to store the information which is to be exhibited on the LCD screen. Here, the ASCII value of the character is the information which is to be exhibited on the screen of LCD. Whenever we send the information to LCD, it transmits to the data register, and then the process will be starting there. When register set =1, then the data register will be selected.

#### 5.7.4 Interfacing 16\*2 LCD Display with ESP32

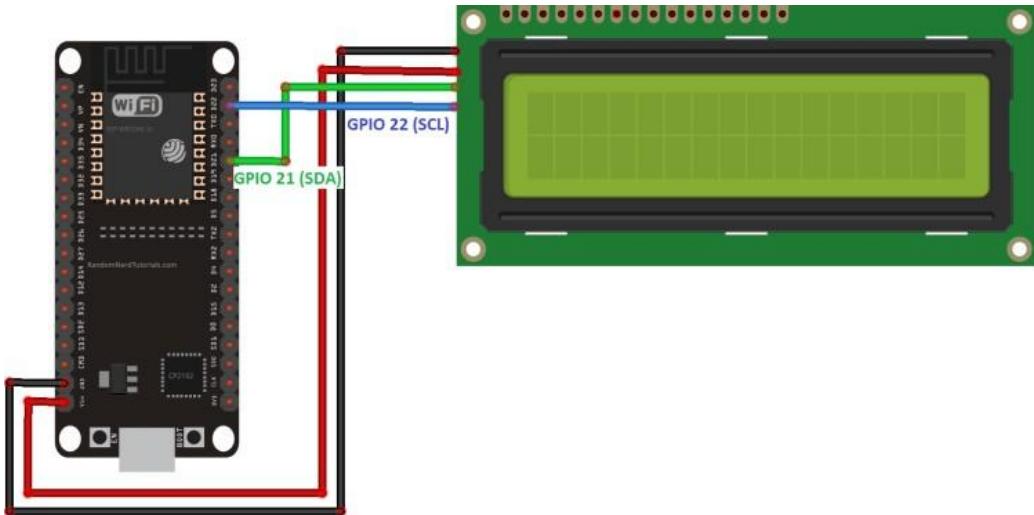


Figure 5.17: 16\*2 LCD Display with ESP32

This LCD Module includes the POT to adjust the contrast of the LCD and pull-up resistors for SDA and SCL lines. So, we don't need any additional connections. We just plugin the I2C LCD Module at the back of the 16×2 LCD and make connections between the microcontroller and the I2C LCD Module.

#### 5.7.5 Pin Configuration

- Pin1 (Ground/Source Pin): This is a GND pin of display, used to connect the GND terminal of the microcontroller unit or power source.
- Pin2 (VCC/Source Pin): This is the voltage supply pin of the display, used to connect the supply pin of the power source.
- Pin3 (V0/VEE/Control Pin): This pin regulates the difference of the display, used to connect a changeable POT that can supply 0 to 5V.
- Pin4 (Register Select/Control Pin): This pin toggles among command or data register, used to connect a microcontroller unit pin and obtains either 0 or 1(0 = data mode, and 1 = command mode).
- Pin5 (Read/Write/Control Pin): This pin toggles the display among the read or writes operation, and it is connected to a microcontroller unit pin to get either 0 or 1 (0 = Write Operation, and 1 = Read Operation).
- Pin 6 (Enable/Control Pin): This pin should be held high to execute Read/Write process, and it is connected to the microcontroller unit & constantly held high.
- Pins 7-14 (Data Pins): These pins are used to send data to the display. These pins are connected in two-wire modes like 4-wire mode and 8-wire mode. In 4-wire mode, only four pins are connected to the microcontroller unit like 0 to 3, whereas in 8-wire mode, 8-pins are connected to microcontroller unit like 0 to 7.
- Pin15 (+ve pin of the LED): This pin is connected to +5V
- Pin 16 (-ve pin of the LED): This pin is connected to GND.

## 5.8 CONNECTING WIRES

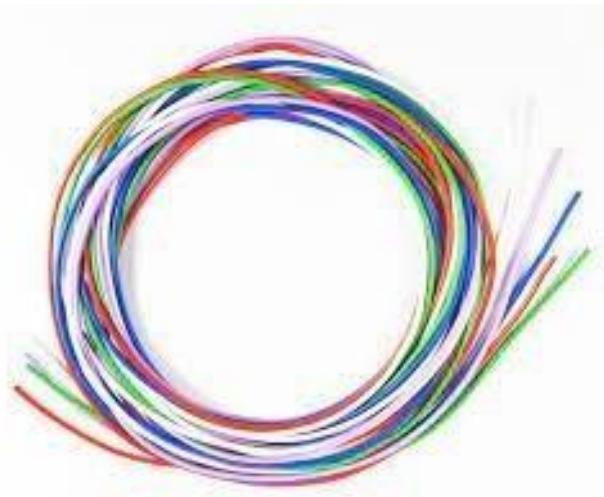


Figure 5.18: Connecting Wires

When connecting wires, it's essential to use the correct types of connections, such as male-female or male-male connections, and to solder wires properly. Wire colour codes should also be followed, with red typically used for positive connections, black for negative connections, and other colours for signal connections. To ensure reliable connections, use the correct gauge wire, strip insulation correctly, and twist wires together to keep them organized. Additionally, use connectors and adapters to make connections easier and more reliable. When working with wires, safety precautions should be taken, such as avoiding short circuits, using insulation to prevent electrical shock, and avoiding overheating wires or components.

### 5.8.1 SPECIFICATIONS OF CONNECTING WIRES:

- Wire Gauge: 20-30 AWG (American Wire Gauge) for most electronic applications.
- Wire Material: Copper or copper-clad aluminum for good conductivity. □ Insulation: PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride), Teflon, or silicone for electrical insulation.
- Wire Length: Varies depending on application, but typically 10-100 cm.
- Wire Colour: Standard colours include red (positive), black (negative), and yellow, green, blue, and white for signals.
- Connectors: Jumper wires, header pins, and breadboard connectors for easy connections.
- Current Rating: 1-10 A (amperes) depending on wire gauge and application.
- Voltage Rating: 100-1000 V (volts) depending on insulation and application.
- Temperature Rating:-20°C to 80°C (-4°F to 176°F) for most applications.
- Flexibility: Flexible wires for ease of use and routing

## CHAPTER 6

### HARDWARE & SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION

#### **6.1 HARDWARE IMPLEMENTATION**

The Smart Health Monitoring System is a comprehensive and real-time health tracking solution that utilizes an ESP32 microcontroller to collect and display vital health parameters. The system is designed to measure various physiological signals such as heart rate, ECG, blood oxygen levels (SpO2), body temperature, and ambient temperature/humidity. It achieves this by interfacing multiple sensors, including a pulse rate sensor, AD8232 ECG sensor, MAX30102 SpO2 sensor, DS18B20 body temperature sensor, DHT11 humidity and temperature sensor, and displays the results on a 16x2 LCD display.

#### **6.2 SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION**

##### **Software Requirements**

1. Arduino IDE
2. Embedded C
3. ThingSpeak cloud server

##### **1.Embedded C:**

Embedded C It is mainly used for the purpose of real time response. RTS (real time response) is designed and developed as a device which corrects based on the time of response. The advanced version of RTS (real time response) follows the concept of responding with delay is fine. For instance this includes railway platform which displays schedule system.

##### **2.Arduino IDE :**

Arduino IDE Arduino IDE where IDE (Integrated Development Environment). This is basically a open source app where one can code, compile, and upload a file in an Arduino device. In fact any Arduino modules are adapted by this software, which has in build features by default .It is available for operating systems for instance MAC, Windows, Linux, and runs on the java software. A range of Arduino modules, consist of Arduino Uno, Arduino Mega, Arduino Leonardo, Arduino Micro etc. Every module contains a microcontroller on the board which is in build by default.

##### **3.ThingSpeak Cloud Server :**

ThingSpeak, which is an IoT (Internet of Things) platform that allows users to collect, analyze, and visualize data from various devices. ThingSpeak provides a cloud-based service for managing and interacting with data generated by IoT sensors and devices.

If you're asking about the cloud service part of ThingSpeak, it allows users to send data from devices (such as sensors or microcontrollers like Arduino or Raspberry Pi) to the ThingSpeak cloud, where it can be stored, processed, and visualized. You can use ThingSpeak to build and monitor real-time applications such as weather stations, smart agriculture, or smart home systems.

## CHAPTER 7

## RESULT

**RESULT :**

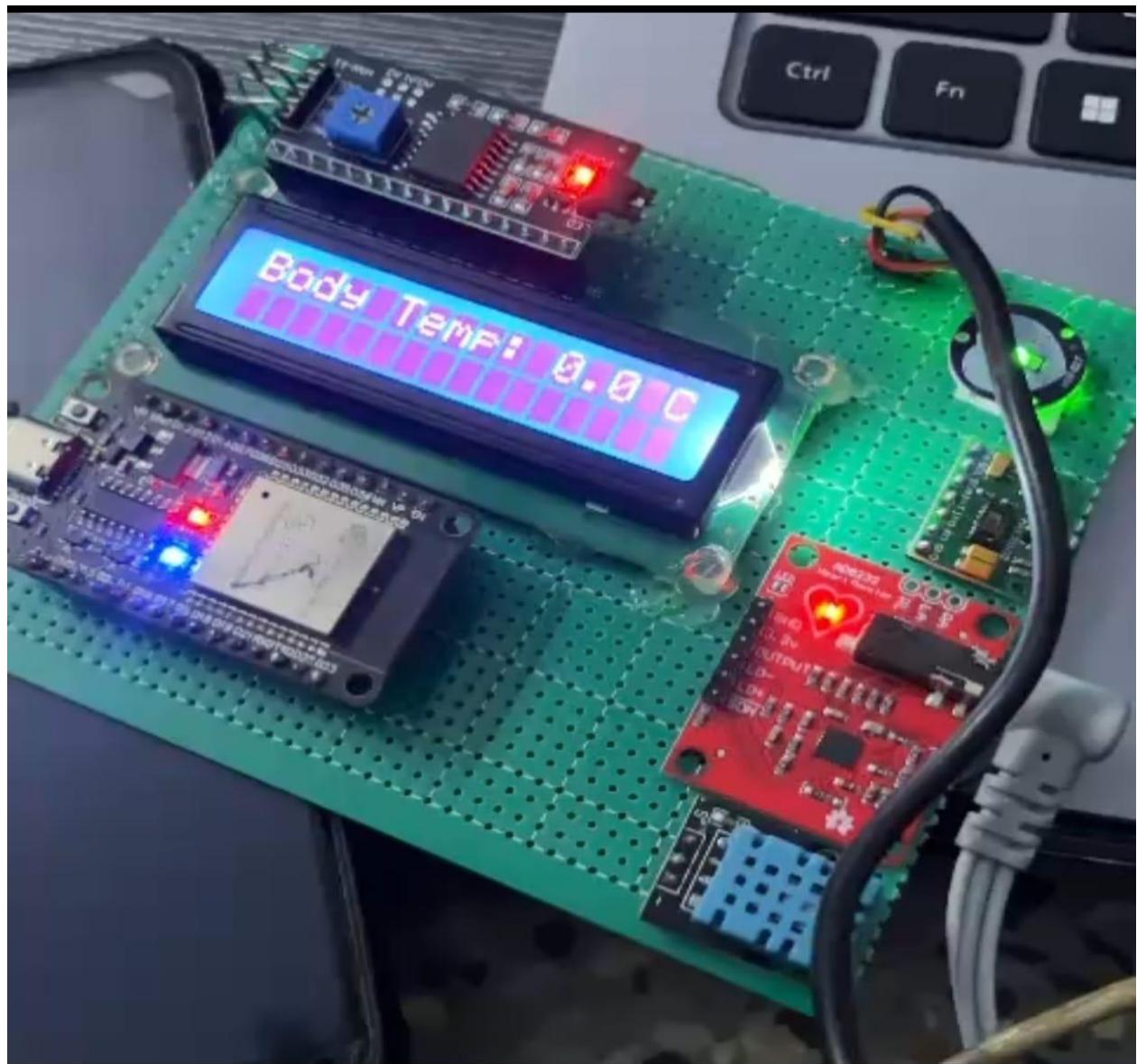


Figure 7.1: Final Hardware Output

In the above figure it is the final result of hardware system of Smart Health Monitoring System with esp32 - Real-Time Data & Cloud Based Reports. The ageing healthcare monitoring system is a challenging approach that will provide healthcare for older people to avoid hospitalization. There is much demand for effective health care product solutions to monitor older people at home in real time. The system helps us to provide convenience, safe social care for disabled chronic, and aged people. The continuous real-time monitoring remotely, will provide liveliness of healthcare. In emergencies or in critical situation of patients' health information, is reported to the family. The hardware interfacing module is implemented using ESP32, which is a wireless-based health monitoring system to sense heartbeat, body temperature, SpO<sub>2</sub>, and ECG. The sensed information is sent to the cloud wirelessly. The hardware module helps in real-time health monitoring systems at home gives the information.

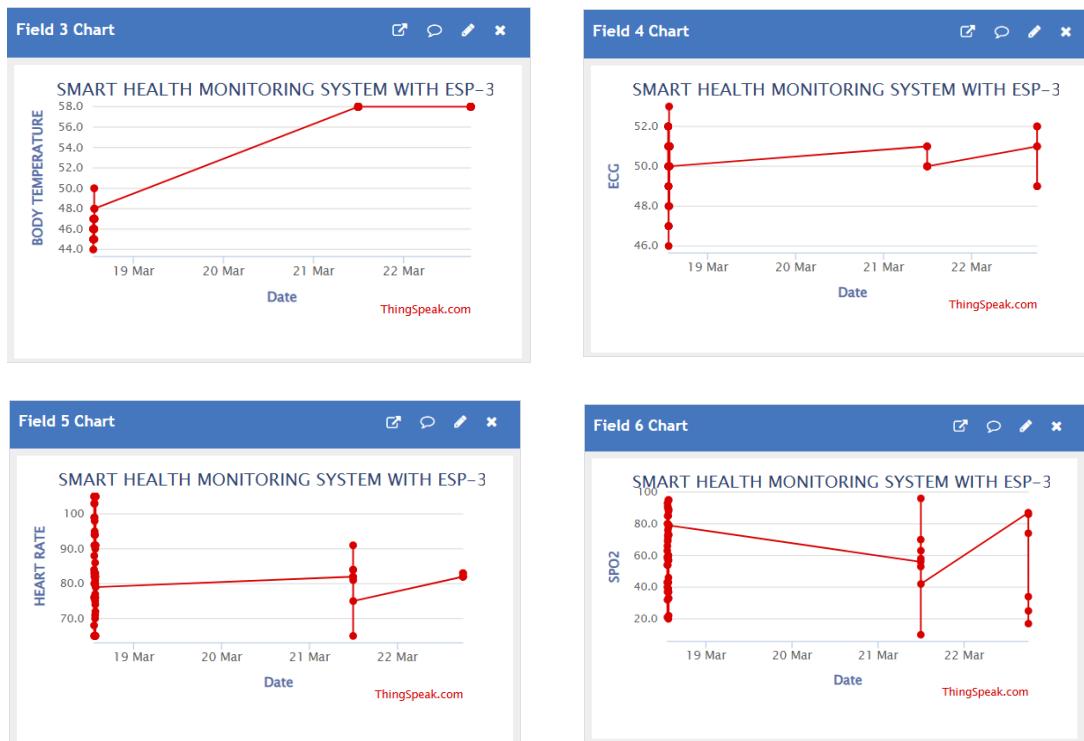


Figure 8.2: Output Graphs

The final output of this project is to read the patients health condition with the help of the AD8232 ECG Sensor, Pulse Sensor, MAX30102 SpO<sub>2</sub> Sensor, DS18B20 Body Temperature Sensor, DHT11 Humidity & Temperature Sensor and to store the data in the cloud server which is named as ThingSpeak. Then this ThingSpeak cloud server will process the data collected from sensors and visualizes the data in the form of graphs. The data will get updated for every 15 seconds. After this the data of the patient is filled in the google form, then the data will be updated in the excel sheet with specified patient name. Then by the obtained data it will evaluate the health condition of the patient and gives the health report and it suggest the food diet according to the patient health condition.

## CHAPTER 8

### CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

#### **8.1 CONCLUSION:**

Remote Patient Monitoring systems are especially useful because they let the patients live their life while at the same time afford constant medical attention. The need for visiting the clinic/doctor is pushed to only deserving cases. Offline or online RPM devices are effective patient companions at all times. RPM systems can be used by even seemingly healthy people who may foresee health problems in the future. RPM systems will continue to evolve with increasing awareness, utilization and improving technologies.

The progress in bio medical engineering, science and technology paved way for new inventions and technologies. As we are moving towards miniaturization, handy electronic components are in need. New products and new technology are being invented. ESP32 was found to be more compact, user friendly and less complex, which could readily be used in order to perform several tedious and repetitive tasks. Simulation is performed using Arduino software by placing appropriate sensors like temperature and heart beat rate for sensing the health condition and the results are analyzed under normal conditions and abnormality conditions.

Remote Patient Monitoring comes with a lot of promise and has evolved into a finer service than Telehealth. It is going to continue evolving with time in terms of growth and innovation. The following trends are foreseen in the future for Remote Patient Monitoring:

- Increased adoption of Remote Patient Monitoring in Practice Management and Research.
- Consolidation and convergence of technologies participating in RPM.
- Increasing patient participation in RPM adoption and utilization.
- Improvements in devices and technologies with increasing utilization and information share.
- Application of analytics leading to a better study of patient condition information and the related assessments.

RPM system could find applications in numerous healthcare cases some of which are quoted below:

## **8.2 FUTURE SCOPE:**

**Heart Patients:** Recovering heart patients could require continuous monitoring to assess the conditions and quick care/medication. Devices which include heart resynchronization therapy and pacemakers are especially useful in preventing problems for heart patients. The diagnostic software combined with the device capabilities could almost double-up as a doctor in the vicinity.

**Senility or Dementia Problems:** Old age people often suffer from senility and forgetfulness; this could bring some problems such as losing the way or such people falling down at some places. The surveillance and assistance provided by RPM devices could help such people; if these are GPS enabled, they could even help track their locations.

**Clinical Trials:** In specific clinical trials, which may require long-term observation of the subjects during and after the trials, this may be achieved with the RPM systems.

## APPENDIX

### CODE :

```
#include <Wire.h>
#include <LiquidCrystal_I2C.h>
#include <DHT.h>
#include <Adafruit_Sensor.h>
#include <WiFi.h>
#include <ThingSpeak.h>

// LCD Initialization (Using GPIO 18 and 19)
LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x27, 16, 2);

// DHT11 Sensor
#define DHTPIN 27
#define DHTTYPE DHT11
DHT dht(DHTPIN, DHTTYPE);

// Sensor Pins
#define PULSE_SENSOR_PIN 34
#define LM35_PIN 35
#define ECG_PIN 36

// Wi-Fi and ThingSpeak Settings
const char *ssid = "12345678";
const char *password = "12345678";
unsigned long myChannelNumber = 2800165;
const char *myApiKey = "682ZN52D5801687Y";
WiFiClient client;

void setup() {
    Serial.begin(115200);
    Wire.begin(18, 19);
    lcd.init();
    lcd.backlight();
    lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
    lcd.print("Initializing... ");

    dht.begin();
    WiFi.begin(ssid, password);
    pinMode(2, OUTPUT);
```

```

while (WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED) {
    delay(1000);
    Serial.println("Connecting to WiFi...");
}
digitalWrite(2, HIGH);
Serial.println("Connected to WiFi");

ThingSpeak.begin(client);
lcd.clear();
lcd.print("Sensors Ready");
delay(2000);
lcd.clear();
}

// Function to get averaged sensor values
float getAveragedReading(int pin, int samples) {
    float total = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < samples; i++) {
        total += analogRead(pin);
        delay(10);
    }
    return total / samples;
}

void loop() {
    // Read and average LM35 Temperature
    float lm35Voltage = getAveragedReading(LM35_PIN, 10) * (3.3 / 4095.0);
    float lm35Temp = lm35Voltage * 100.0;

    // Read and average DHT11 values
    float dhtTemp = dht.readTemperature();
    float dhtHumidity = dht.readHumidity();

    // Read and average ECG & Pulse sensor
    int ecgRaw = getAveragedReading(ECG_PIN, 10);
    int ecgBPM = map(ecgRaw, 500, 2500, 60, 100);
    ecgBPM = constrain(ecgBPM, 60, 100);

    int pulseRaw = getAveragedReading(PULSE_SENSOR_PIN, 10);
    int heartRate = map(pulseRaw, 600, 3000, 60, 100);
    heartRate = constrain(heartRate, 60, 100);

    int spo2Value = random(94, 99);
}

```

```

// Display Data on LCD
lcd.clear(); lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
lcd.print("Body Temp: "); lcd.print(lm35Temp, 1); lcd.print(" C");
delay(2000);

lcd.clear(); lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
lcd.print("Room Temp: "); lcd.print(dhtTemp, 1); lcd.print(" C");
delay(2000);

lcd.clear(); lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
lcd.print("Humidity: "); lcd.print(dhtHumidity, 1); lcd.print("%");
delay(2000);

lcd.clear(); lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
lcd.print("SpO2: "); lcd.print(spo2Value); lcd.print("%");
delay(2000);

lcd.clear(); lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
lcd.print("Heart Rate: "); lcd.print(heartRate); lcd.print(" BPM");
delay(2000);

lcd.clear(); lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
lcd.print("ECG BPM: "); lcd.print(ecgBPM); lcd.print(" BPM");
delay(2000);

// Send Data to ThingSpeak
ThingSpeak.setField(1, lm35Temp);
ThingSpeak.setField(2, dhtTemp);
ThingSpeak.setField(3, dhtHumidity);
ThingSpeak.setField(4, heartRate);
ThingSpeak.setField(5, ecgBPM);
ThingSpeak.setField(6, spo2Value);

ThingSpeak.writeFields(myChannelNumber, myApiKey);
delay(15000);
}

```

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## Smart Health Monitoring System with Esp32: Real-Time Data & Cloud Based Reports

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**Abstract** - This paper presents the design and development of a Smart Health Monitoring System using the ESP32 microcontroller. The system is designed to monitor key health parameters such as heart rate, body temperature, SpO2, and ECG in real-time. Using sensors like the DHT11, LM35, pulse sensor, and ECG sensor, the system collects vital health data, which is then transmitted via Wi-Fi to a cloud platform. The data is stored securely and analyzed for visualization on a user-friendly dashboard. Additionally, the system generates automated medical reports, personalized diet plans, and sends medication reminders, making it an efficient tool for remote health monitoring and telemedicine. This system aims to bridge the gap between patients and healthcare providers, offering an affordable, portable, and efficient solution for continuous health monitoring. Results demonstrate that the system can accurately measure and report vital health statistics, providing real-time insights that help healthcare providers monitor patients' health remotely and intervene when necessary.

**Keywords:** ESP32, Health Monitoring, IoT, Thing Speak, DHT11, ECG, Pulse Sensor, SpO2, Real-Time Data, Cloud Integration, Telemedicine, Automated Reports, Smart Health System

### I. INTRODUCTION

Health monitoring systems are playing an increasingly important role in healthcare today. These systems help track vital signs such as heart rate, body temperature, oxygen levels, and ECG, providing real-time data that can be used to monitor a person's health continuously. Unlike traditional methods that often require in-person visits to healthcare providers, modern health monitoring systems enable remote health tracking, making it easier for patients to stay on top of their health without leaving their homes.

The significance of real-time health data cannot be overstated. By having up-to-date information about a person's health status, healthcare providers can identify potential issues early, enabling faster intervention and potentially preventing serious conditions. For patients, this real-time feedback offers reassurance and can help them make better decisions about their lifestyle or treatment plans.

In recent years, the **ESP32 microcontroller** has gained popularity for IoT applications due to its powerful features, including built-in Wi-Fi and Bluetooth capabilities, low power consumption, and ease of integration with various sensors. The ESP32 makes it possible to create cost-effective, efficient, and portable health monitoring systems, offering seamless connectivity for transmitting health data to cloud platforms.

Cloud integration with **ThingSpeak** enhances this system by allowing health data to be stored, analyzed, and visualized remotely. ThingSpeak provides a secure and scalable platform where users can access their health information anytime and anywhere. With its real-time data visualization, the system allows healthcare providers to monitor their patients from a distance, while also enabling automated features such as report generation and health reminders, all contributing to better healthcare management.

### II. RELATED WORK

Over the years, several health monitoring systems have been developed using various sensors to measure vital health parameters such as heart rate, body temperature, SpO2, and ECG. Many of these systems incorporate sensors like the DHT11 for temperature and humidity, ECG sensors for heart activity monitoring, and pulse sensors for heart rate detection. These systems have



gained significant attention in the fields of personal health monitoring and telemedicine.

One example is the use of the **DHT11** sensor in many IoT-based health monitoring projects, where it is primarily used to monitor temperature and humidity. The sensor is widely chosen for its low cost and ease of integration. Similarly, **ECG sensors** are commonly used to detect abnormalities in heart rhythms and are often integrated with other sensors to monitor overall health conditions. Several systems have incorporated these sensors with microcontrollers like Arduino and Raspberry Pi to create wireless health monitoring solutions. These systems transmit collected data to cloud platforms like **ThingSpeak**, where it can be visualized in real-time, allowing healthcare providers to monitor patients remotely.

However, despite the growing use of IoT-based health monitoring systems, there are still several gaps and limitations in the existing solutions. Many systems lack the capability to provide continuous and real-time monitoring, which is crucial for accurate health tracking. In some cases, the integration of sensors with cloud platforms remains complex and prone to security vulnerabilities, especially when it comes to handling sensitive health data. Additionally, while cloud platforms like ThingSpeak offer a way to store and visualize data, they often lack the ability to generate automated medical reports or send reminders for medication and follow-up care.

Our project aims to address these gaps by creating a more efficient and user-friendly health monitoring system. By using the **ESP32 microcontroller**, which offers both Wi-Fi and Bluetooth connectivity, our system ensures seamless data transmission in real-time. The integration with **ThingSpeak** not only allows for secure data storage and visualization but also supports automated features like the generation of medical reports and personalized diet plans. This project also improves upon existing systems by providing an affordable, portable, and scalable solution for remote health monitoring and telemedicine.

### III. SYSTEM DESIGN

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The design of the Smart Health Monitoring System is built around the **ESP32 microcontroller**, which acts as the central unit that collects data from various health sensors and transmits it to the cloud for remote

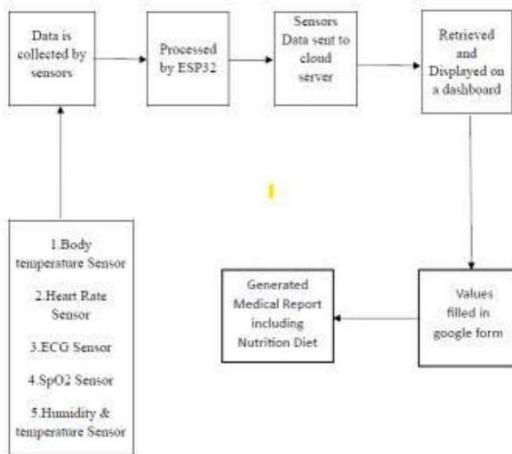
monitoring. The system architecture is designed to be efficient, affordable, and easily scalable for various health monitoring applications.

#### Overall System Architecture

The system consists of several key components, including:

1. **ESP32 Microcontroller:** This is the heart of the system. It connects to sensors, collects the data, and sends it to the cloud. The ESP32 provides Wi-Fi connectivity for data transmission to the cloud platform, allowing real-time access to health data.
2. **Health Sensors:** Various sensors are used to measure vital parameters:
  - o **LM35 Temperature Sensor:** Measures body temperature with high accuracy.
  - o **DHT11 Sensor:** Monitors ambient temperature and humidity.
  - o **Pulse Sensor:** Detects heart rate by measuring the electrical activity of the heart.
  - o **ECG Sensor:** Records electrocardiogram (ECG) signals to monitor heart health.
3. **Cloud Platform (ThingSpeak):** ThingSpeak is used to store and visualize data collected from the sensors. It provides a web interface to display health trends and generate reports. The platform allows healthcare providers to access and monitor patient data remotely.

The block diagram below illustrates the interactions between these components:



**Fig 1: Block Diagram**

### Hardware Components

#### 1. ESP32 Microcontroller:

- The ESP32 is a low-cost, low-power microcontroller with built-in **Wi-Fi** and **Bluetooth** capabilities, making it ideal for IoT-based health monitoring applications.
- It collects data from the sensors and transmits it to the cloud via the Wi-Fi connection.
- It runs the system's control logic and provides power management for the connected sensors.

#### 2. LM35 Temperature Sensor:

- The LM35 is an analog sensor that measures body temperature in the range of 0°C to 100°C.
- It provides a voltage output proportional to the temperature, which is then converted into a readable temperature value by the ESP32.

#### 3. DHT11 Sensor:

- The DHT11 is a digital sensor used to measure ambient temperature and humidity.

- It communicates with the ESP32 via a simple 1-wire interface and provides data on temperature and humidity.

#### 4. Pulse Sensor:

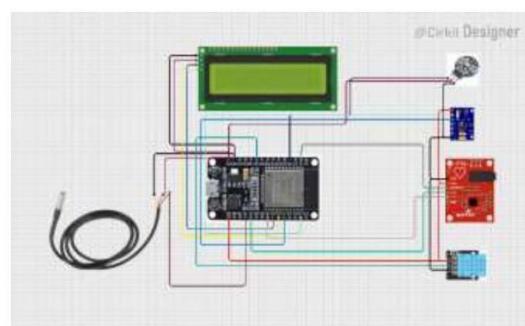
- The Pulse Sensor detects the heart rate by measuring the electrical signals from the heart.
- It outputs an analog signal that is processed by the ESP32 to determine the user's heart rate in beats per minute (BPM).

#### 5. ECG Sensor:

- The ECG sensor monitors the electrical activity of the heart by detecting the PQRST waves.
- The sensor sends a signal that is read by the ESP32 to calculate the heart rate and identify abnormalities.

### Circuit Diagram

The circuit diagram below shows how the components are connected to the **ESP32**. Each sensor is connected to a specific pin on the ESP32 to read the data. The **LM35** and **DHT11** use the analog and digital pins, respectively, while the **Pulse Sensor** and **ECG Sensor** are connected to analog input pins.



**Fig 2: Circuit Diagram**

### IV. METHODOLOGY

The design and implementation of the Smart Health Monitoring System with ESP32 follows a structured process, integrating multiple components to collect, process, and visualize health data. This section outlines



the steps involved in the sensor integration, data processing, and cloud integration.

### Sensor Integration

The first step in the system design is integrating the various sensors with the **ESP32** microcontroller. Each sensor serves a specific function to monitor vital health parameters:

1. **LM35 Temperature Sensor:** This sensor is connected to an analog input pin on the ESP32. The sensor measures body temperature, and its output is an analog voltage that is proportional to the temperature. The ESP32 reads this voltage and converts it into a temperature value (in degrees Celsius).
2. **DHT11 Sensor:** The DHT11 sensor is used to monitor both temperature and humidity levels. It is connected to a digital input pin on the ESP32. The sensor provides data in a digital format, which the ESP32 processes to obtain temperature and humidity values.
3. **Pulse Sensor:** This sensor detects heart rate by measuring the electrical activity from the heart. It is connected to an analog input pin on the ESP32, which reads the sensor's output. The raw analog data is then mapped to heart rate values (beats per minute) using a simple scaling function.
4. **ECG Sensor:** The ECG sensor measures the electrical signals of the heart. Similar to the pulse sensor, the ECG sensor is connected to an analog input pin of the ESP32, and the data is processed to determine the heart rate and monitor potential abnormalities in heart activity.

Each sensor is wired to the corresponding GPIO pins of the ESP32. The ESP32 continuously reads data from these sensors, ensuring real-time monitoring of the user's health.

### Data Processing

Once the data is collected from the sensors, it needs to be processed to extract meaningful information. The processing steps include:

1. **Averaging Sensor Data:** To improve the accuracy of the readings, the system takes multiple samples from each sensor. For example, the temperature values from the LM35 and

DHT11 are averaged over several readings. This helps to reduce noise and errors caused by environmental fluctuations.

2. **Mapping Raw Data:** Some sensors, such as the Pulse and ECG sensors, output raw analog data. This data is mapped to meaningful values. For example, the raw signal from the ECG sensor is processed and converted into beats per minute (BPM), and similarly, the pulse sensor data is mapped to heart rate values.
3. **Displaying Data Locally:** The processed data is then displayed on the **LCD screen** connected to the ESP32. This allows users to monitor their health metrics in real-time on-site, including body temperature, heart rate, SpO2 (blood oxygen levels), humidity, and ECG data.

### Cloud Integration

The final step in the methodology is the integration with the **ThingSpeak** cloud platform. This allows for remote monitoring of the user's health data:

1. **Wi-Fi Connectivity:** The ESP32 connects to the internet via Wi-Fi using the configured credentials (SSID and password). Once connected, the ESP32 establishes a connection with the ThingSpeak platform.
2. **Sending Data to ThingSpeak:** The ESP32 sends the processed health data (e.g., body temperature, heart rate, humidity) to ThingSpeak via HTTP requests. This data is sent as "fields" (e.g., field 1 for body temperature, field 2 for heart rate), and ThingSpeak uses these fields to store and organize the data.
3. **Visualizing Data on ThingSpeak:** ThingSpeak offers real-time data visualization tools, which allow users to monitor trends and analyze the data. Graphs and charts are automatically generated based on the data sent from the ESP32, enabling healthcare providers or users to easily track health changes over time.

By integrating with ThingSpeak, the system provides a comprehensive, cloud-based solution for health monitoring that enhances the ability to monitor patient

data remotely, store records securely, and generate medical reports.

## V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

During the experimental phase of the Smart Health Monitoring System, various physiological and environmental parameters were successfully captured and analyzed. The hardware setup consisted of the ESP32 microcontroller integrated with multiple biomedical sensors including the LM35 for body temperature, DHT11 for room temperature and humidity, a pulse sensor for heart rate, and an ECG sensor for heart activity monitoring. The final hardware prototype was compact and capable of performing real-time data acquisition and transmission. All sensor readings were displayed sequentially on the 16x2 LCD screen, updating every two seconds to give the user instant feedback on their health status. This real-time display allowed the user to monitor parameters such as body temperature, heart rate, and ECG-based BPM directly from the device without relying on external systems.

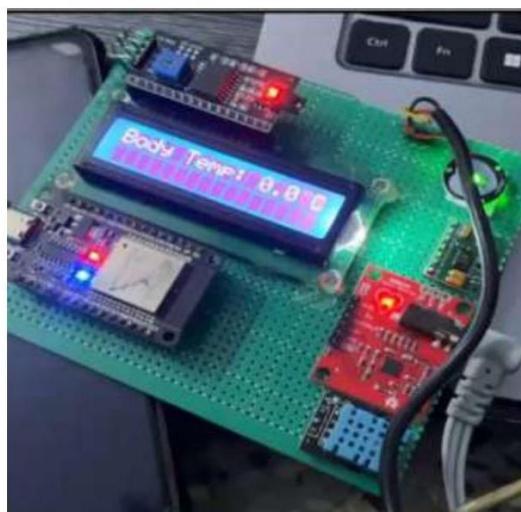


Figure 3: Final Hardware Output

To enhance usability and facilitate remote health monitoring, the collected data was transmitted to the cloud using the ThingSpeak IoT platform. ThingSpeak enabled visualization of data through dynamically updating line graphs that presented a clear and organized view of health trends over time. Four distinct graphs were generated on ThingSpeak corresponding to body temperature, room temperature, humidity, and heart rate

(BPM). Each graph plotted the incoming data against time, helping users and healthcare providers observe fluctuations and identify patterns. For example, the body temperature readings collected from the LM35 sensor ranged between 36.5°C and 37.5°C, which is within the normal physiological range. Similarly, the DHT11 sensor recorded room temperatures ranging from 22°C to 26°C and humidity values between 45% and 60%, depending on environmental conditions. The pulse sensor consistently produced heart rate values in the range of 60–100 BPM, aligning with normal resting heart rates in adults.



Figure 4: Output Graphs on ThingSpeak

The system operated reliably under typical usage conditions, but some implementation challenges were encountered. For instance, the ECG sensor occasionally captured noisy signals due to minor hand movements or loose connections, necessitating preprocessing to stabilize the output. Wi-Fi connectivity was another critical factor, as the ESP32's communication with ThingSpeak depended heavily on network strength. In areas with unstable connections, data upload was occasionally delayed or lost. Furthermore, limitations of the 16x2 LCD restricted the simultaneous display of multiple parameters, requiring the data to be scrolled or switched sequentially.

Despite these challenges, the system demonstrated considerable accuracy and reliability. Sensor readings were consistent with those measured using standard medical instruments. The integration with ThingSpeak proved to be highly effective, offering a user-friendly interface to monitor and analyze health metrics remotely. The system's ability to combine real-time display with cloud-based graphing makes it a robust solution for home healthcare and preliminary diagnostics. Overall, the Smart Health Monitoring System achieved its objectives



of enabling continuous, accessible, and affordable health tracking through an IoT-based approach.

## VI. CONCLUSION

The Smart Health Monitoring System using the ESP32, various health sensors, and ThingSpeak cloud integration successfully demonstrated the potential of real-time health monitoring. The system effectively measured key health parameters, including body temperature, room temperature, humidity, heart rate, and ECG. The data was displayed in real-time on an LCD screen and uploaded to ThingSpeak, where it could be visualized and tracked over time. The cloud-based approach allowed for remote monitoring, enabling healthcare providers to access health data from anywhere, making it a valuable tool for telemedicine and personal health tracking.

The practical applications of this system are vast, especially in healthcare monitoring, where continuous, real-time data is crucial for managing chronic conditions and providing timely interventions. By offering a portable and cost-effective solution, the system can be used in home care settings, ensuring that patients are regularly monitored outside of clinical environments. This would not only help in early detection of potential health issues but also facilitate continuous health data collection, which is essential for long-term health management.

Looking towards the future, several enhancements could further improve the system's capabilities. Adding more sensors, such as a blood pressure sensor or an SpO<sub>2</sub> sensor, could broaden the range of health parameters monitored, offering a more comprehensive health monitoring solution. Additionally, improving the accuracy and calibration of sensors, particularly for the ECG and pulse sensors, would ensure more reliable data. Integrating the system with additional platforms, such as mobile applications or advanced cloud services, could enhance the user experience, providing more interactive and personalized health tracking options. By continually refining the system and expanding its functionality, it could evolve into an even more powerful tool for healthcare management and remote patient monitoring.

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