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# **SMART THERMAL HYGROMTER**

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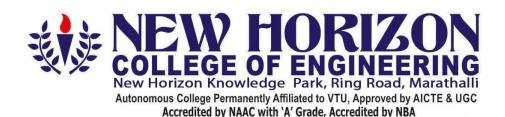
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#### **ABSTRACT**

Temperature can be defined as the measure of warmth or coldness of an object or substance with reference to some standard value. In the similar way humidity can be defined as the measure of amount of water vapor present in air.

To measure both of these a device called **Smart Thermal Hygrometer** is developed to perform thermal screening and hence both temperature and humidity can be measured without having physical contact.

The necessity of designing thermal hygrometer with thermal screening is that in few cases like measuring temperature of certain machines like DC motor it is not possible to have physical contact, and also nowadays Corona has led to the circumstances that the temperature has to be measured with no physical contact.

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#### **CHAPTER 1:**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Thermal Hygrometer is a device used to measure the temperature and humidity of a substance or the surrounding environment using the technique of thermal screening. Thermal screening is a process where the temperature is being scanned with the amount of moisture present on the surface of the particular substance.

On an average use, determining dew temperature is not really necessary, however if for example some paint job has to be done, determining the dew temperature is necessarily important. The surface temperature will be some 3°C above dew temperature to avoid the formation of a moisture film between the coating and the base that could compromise the quality of the paint job. For this, in a single instrument it is possible to sense the surface temperature contact less, and at the same time determine if the site conditions are appropriate for the job. Apart from determining dew temperature, the device can also display other parameters that the usual infrared thermometer cannot, such as relative humidity and apparent temperature.

#### **CHAPTER 2:**

#### LITERATURE SURVEY

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#### **CHAPTER 3:**

#### HARDWARE ARCHITECTURE AND IMPLEMENTATION

#### **COMPONENTS:**

- ESP8266 microcontroller
- OLED Display 128\*64 pixels
- MLX90614 Sensor
- DHT11 Sensor
- 9V Battery
- Breadboard
- Connecting Wires
- Resistors
- LEDS
- 1. ESP8266 MICROCONTROLLER: An ESP8266 Microcontroller is a low cost Wi-Fi along with a full TCP/IP stack and microcontroller capability, produced by Espressif, Shanghai, China. It is highly affordable and hence is being used in this project. It has external flash memory up to 16MB supported and the operating temperature range is -45  $^{\circ}$ C to 125  $^{\circ}$ C and the current consumption ranges from 15µA 400mA. The power supply required ranges from 2.5V 3.6V



2. OLED Display 128\*64 pixels: Organic Light Emitting Diodes is a flat light emitting technology, made by placing series of organic thin films in between two conductors. When the electrical current is applied, a bright light is emitted. OLEDs do not require a backlight and so are thinner and is more efficient than LCD displays which do require a white backlight.



3. MLX90614 Infrared Temperature Sensor: It is an infrared temperature sensor designed for non-contact temperature sensing with an internal 17-bit ADC and it has a powerful DSP contribute to the MLX90614's high accuracy and resolution. It has wide range of applications including body temperature measurement and movement detection. The MLX90614 provides two methods of output: PWM and SMBus (i.e. TWI, I2C). The 10-bit PWM output gives a resolution of 0.14°C, while the TWI interface has a resolution of 0.02°C. The MLX90614 is factory calibrated in wide temperature ranges: -40 to 85°C for the ambient temperature and -70 to 382.2°C for the object temperature. The measured

value is average temperature of all objects in the Field Of View of sensor. The MLX90614 offers a



standard accuracy of 0.5°C around room temperatures.

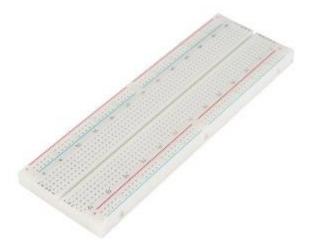
4. DHT11 Temperature and Humidity Sensor: It is a basic, low cost digital temperature and humidity sensor. It uses a capacitive humidity sensor and a thermister to measure the surrounding air, and spits out a digital signal over the data pin (no analog input pins needed). Its fairly simple to use, but requires careful timing to grab data. data will be updated from it once in every 2seconds.



5. **9V Battery:** It is a common size of battery which is used to power the circuit. It has a rectangular prism shape with rounded edges and a polarized snap connector at the top.



6. BREAD BOARD: It is a thin plastic board used to hold electronic components (transistors, resistors, chips, etc.) that are wired together. The breadboard is being used here to make connections of circuit.



7. **CONNECTING WIRES:** Connecting wires provide a medium to the electrical current so that they can travel from one point on a circuit to another.

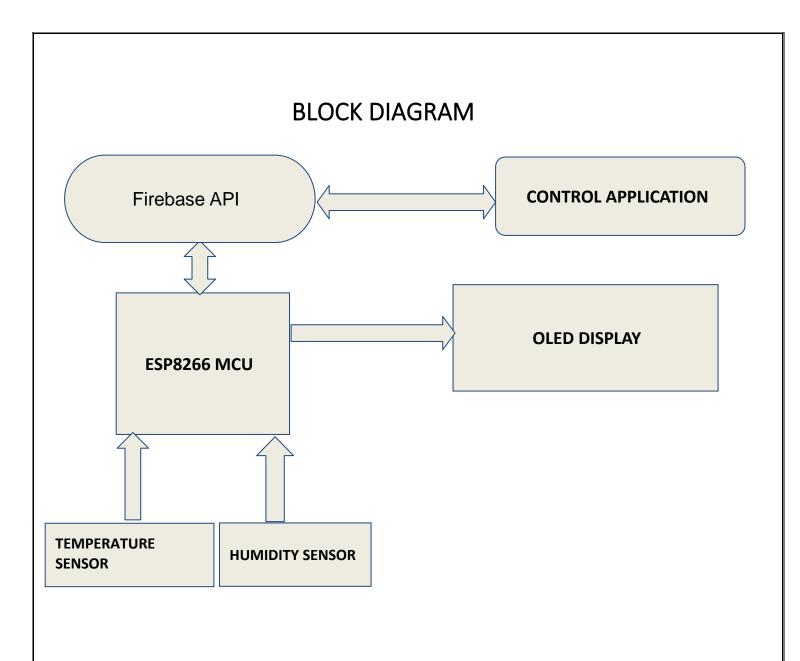


8. **RESISTORS:** It is a passive 2 terminal electrical component that implements electrical resistance as a circuit element. They are used to reduce current flow, adjust signal levels, to divide voltages, bias active elements, and terminate transmission lines, among other uses.



9. LEDS: A light-emitting diode (LED) is a semiconductor light source that emits light when current flows through it.





#### **CHAPTER 4:**

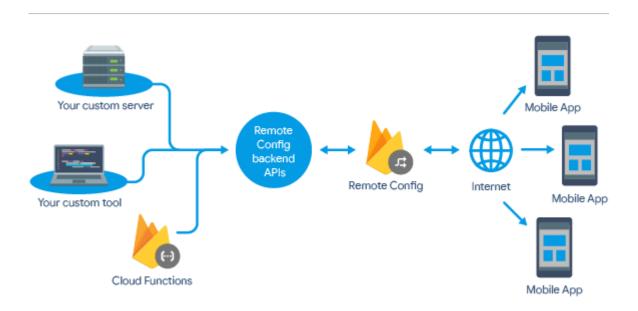
#### PROPOSED SYSTEM DESIGN

- In this project we are using the ESP8266 as the processing unit due to the Wi-Fi feature of the microcontroller, as we can transmit and receive data from other devices and it's also among one of the most affordable microcontrollers.
- The ESP8266 is firstly programmed to gather the input from both temperature sensor (MLX90614) and a humidity sensor(DHT11) which senses surrounding environment to measure the temperature and humidity, and then input given by the sensors will be processed by ESP8266 and then the processed output will be displayed on OLED display since ESP8266 is coupled with it.
- Both the sensors then send the data parallelly to the MCU which processes the data and then prints it to the OLED display showing the temperature.
- All the processed data displayed is then gathered and sent to another device using Firebase API for more detailed data analysation and the data can also be stored.

#### CHAPTER 5:

#### FIREBASE API SYSTEM

Firebase is an API that will allow developers easily sync and store data in real time. Developers can use the service to build their apps on their own without having to manage servers or write server-side code. There are clients for Android, iOS and JavaScript (including the bindings for Ember, React, Angular and Backbone). The API allows users to access the functionality of Firebase programmatically. The API supports standard CRUD operations over the data within the databases as well as for query of the data. Firebase makes use of WebSocket's to achieve realtime communication between clients. Data can also be accessed over the Firebase REST API. Firebase Simple Login is an additional service that enables the developers to authenticate users using only client-side code. Enable authentication via a number of third-party providers, anonymous login, or email / password authentication without having to manually store authentication credentials or to run a server. Firebase Hosting offers developers a fast, secure and reliable way to host their app's static assets such as HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and media files. It will be backed by a global CDN, serves content over SSL by default, and is available for either a custom domain or on a sub-domain of firebaseapp.com.



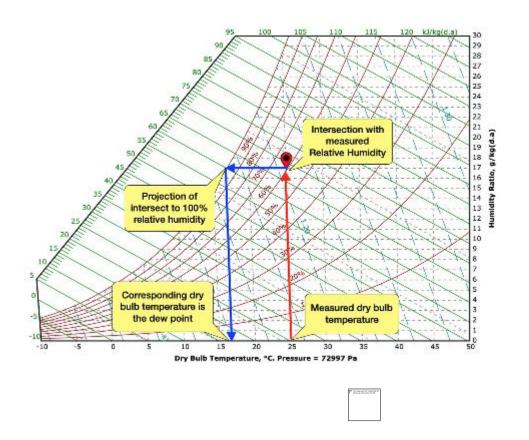
# CHAPTER 6: HARDWARE WORKING

Initially, all the components are assembled and their working condition is checked. Later on, the connections are made as per the circuit diagram.

The device is designed in such a way that the user can switch between two modes: object temperature mode, and the hygrometer mode. The device contains two push buttons. One of them will allow the user to switch between modes, while the other push button enables the infrared sensor. Only while the button is pressed will the device display the measured temperature. If the button is released the display will freeze into the last measurement taken. Adding on. whenever the device is in the object temperature mode and if its corresponding push button is pressed, the LED lights up. If the mode is switched, another LED lights up. In the hygrometer mode anyway, it is not necessary to keep any push button pressed. The device will update measurements every quarter of a second and the LED will remain on.

adding another feature to the apparatus is a battery level indicator. To achieve this, a voltage divider was added. From the circuit shown above, Z1 corresponds to a 2.7 k $\Omega$  resistor and Z2 corresponds to a 5 k $\Omega$  trimmer set at 2.98 k $\Omega$ . The voltage divider proportionally drops down the voltage of the 9V battery to a scale of 0-5V readable by the analog pins of the board. Within the code a scale is set up which will in turn draw a battery icon on the display, showing the level of the battery.

Psychrometric Theory for the Code: As mentioned before, one of the uses of this device is to calculate and display the dew temperature. This parameter can be expressed as a function of the dry bulb temperature and the relative humidity, which are determined by the MLX90614 and DHT11 sensors respectively. Even though the DHT11 can sense dry bulb temperature, the MLX90614 sensor offers a function for reading the ambient temperature in addition to the point source temperature, and is capable of achieving more accurate readings than the DHT11.



The image shown above corresponds to the Psychrometric chart of air at 2680 meters above sea level. This chart correlates thermodynamic properties of "wet air" which all of us experience regardless where we live. The chart shows ways to determine the dew point temperature where the dry bulb temperature and relative humidity values are given. For the case considered above, a reading is taken indicating a dry bulb temperature of 25°C and a relative humidity of 60%. Finding intersection of this point with the 100% relative humidity curve along with constant humidity ratio and then projecting the intersection to dry bulb

temperature scale indicates the dew temperature value. For this case approx. 16°C. This means that for the given condition, any surface below 16°C will get compressed into the moisture of air.

The above chart helps in understanding the relationship between the parameter. The equations that govern the thermodynamics of air makes it even simpler.

The equations required are:

 $Es = 6.108 * (e^{(17.27 * T) / (237.3 + T))}$ 

B = (In(E / 6.108)) / 17.27

RH = 100 \* (E / Es)

D = (237.3 \* B) / (1 - B)

Where,

T = Air Temperature (Dry Bulb) in Centigrade (C) degrees

Es = Saturation Vapor Pressure at Dry Bulb (mb)

E = Actual Vapor Pressure (mb)

B = intermediate value (no units)

RH = Relative Humidity in percent (%)

D = Dewpoint in Centigrade (C) degrees.

Rearranging terms, with T and RH we can solve for D.

In addition to calculating dew temperature, the code with also include the equations for calculating the apparent temperature; although this parameter is a function of wind speed and solar radiation, since the apparatus is unable to sense these variables, only indoors apparent temperature is calculated as follows:

$$AT = Ta + 0.348 * e$$

e = (rh)/100) \*6.105\*e^ ((17.27 \*Ta) / (237.7+Ta))

Where.

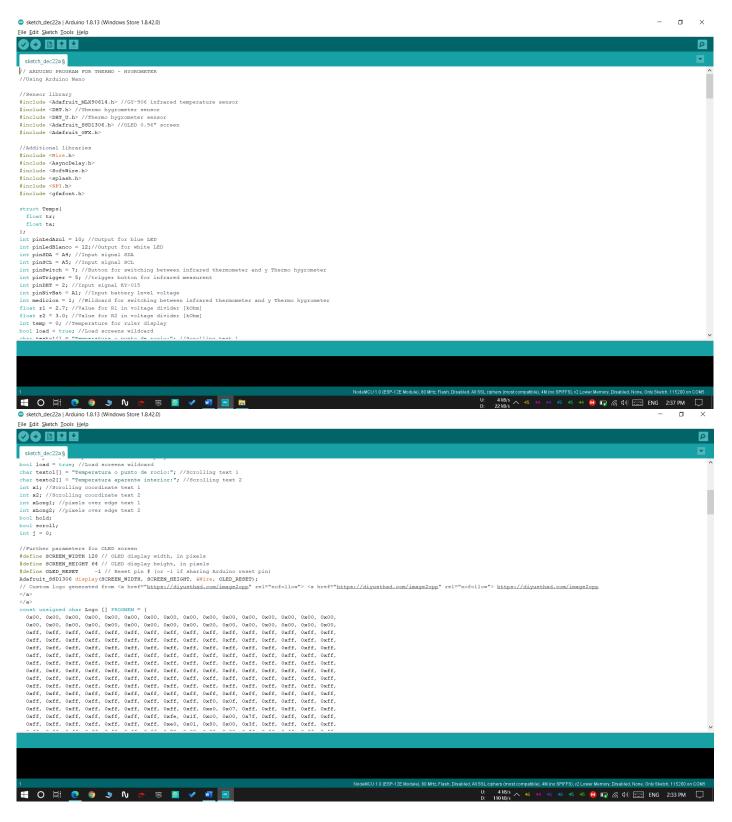
T = Apparent Temperature

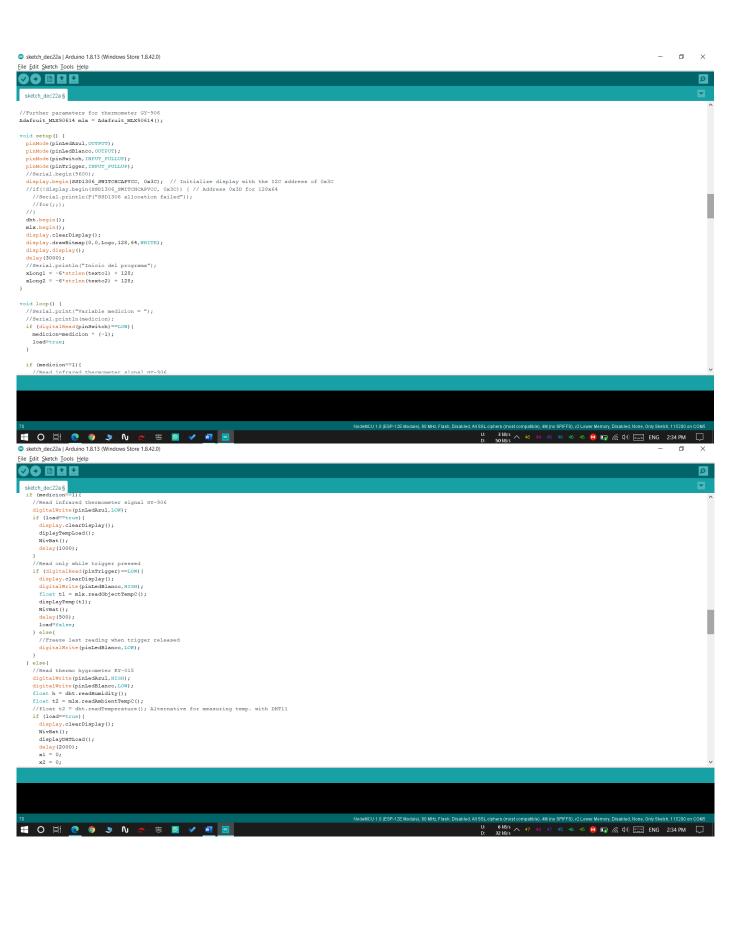
Ta = Dry Bulb Temperature

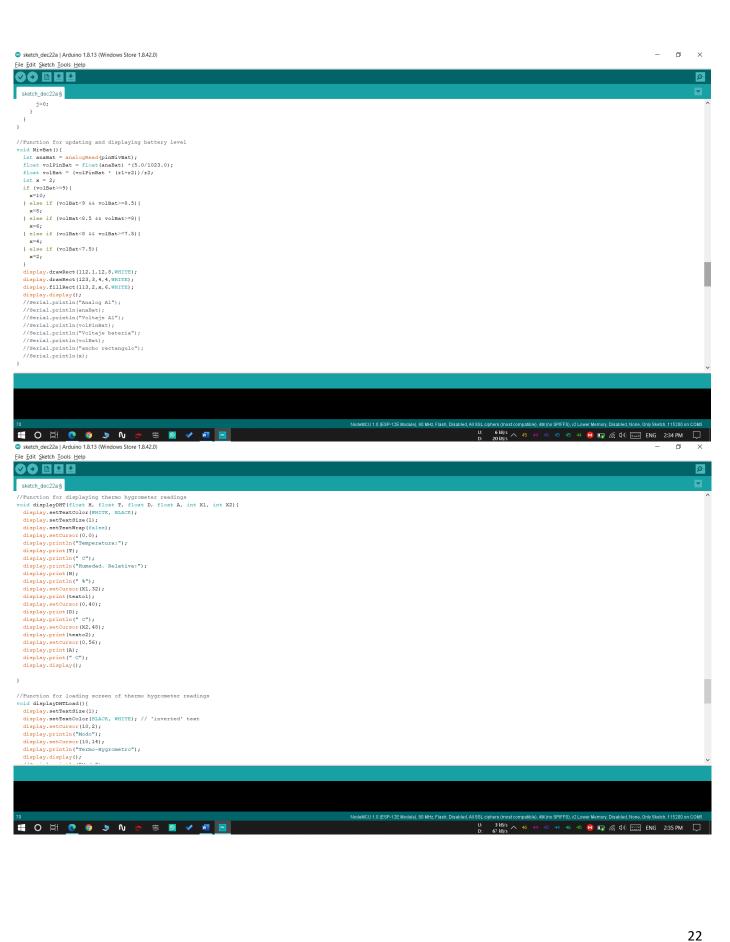
e = Water Vapor Pressure

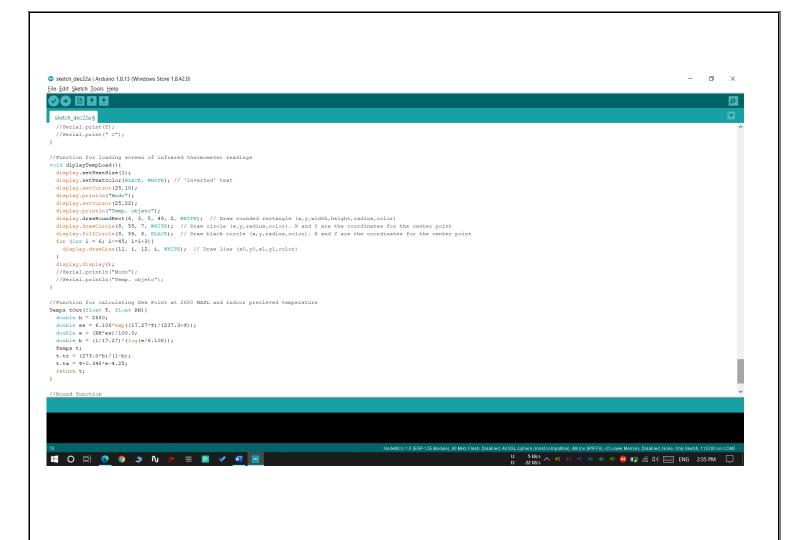
RH = Relative Humidity in percent (%).

# CHAPTER 7: PROGRAM CODE OF ESP8266









#### **CONCLUSION & FUTURE SCOPE**

The objective of the project Smart Thermal Hygrometer using ESP8266 module is to design a product which is very much useful in post COVID-19 era in order to perform activities with no physical contact. Our project model is mainly focused on designing a hygrometer in such a way that the sensed temperature and humidity is displayed and later on analysed and stored into Firebase API which can be accessed through a mobile. However, it not only helps us in reducing corona cases but also helps we performing activities contactless. It also helps to retain data for further analysation.

This model is very versatile and can be expanded into two major sectors i.e. software as well as hardware: Since we are using ESP8266 Wi-Fi module it is possible to access the internet from any place and hence regardless of the location the value of temperature fed into microcontroller will be stored onto Firebase API which enables us to access the data whenever required.

## **EXPECTED OUTPUTS/ RESULTS**

- It is possible to sense the surface temperature contactless, and at the same time determine if the site conditions are appropriate for the job.
- Apart from determining dew point temperature, the device can also display other parameters that the usual infrared thermometer cannot, such as relative humidity and apparent temperature (indoors).
- Thermal hygrometer can also be used to measure the humidity of painting walls.
- This proposed device is an essential requirement for the present world facing COVID-19 pandemic ,where it is necessary to maintain physical distance.

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