

Project Title:

IoT-Based Air Quality Monitoring System

1. Introduction:

Air pollution is a major concern in urban areas. Monitoring air quality helps prevent health problems. This project uses IoT technology to measure and send real-time air quality data over the internet.

2. **Objective:**

To design a low-cost, real-time air quality monitoring system using IoT that measures:

Temperature

Humidity

Air Quality Index (via MQ135 sensor)

3. Components Required:

Component	Quantity
NodeMCU ESP8266	1
MQ135 Gas Sensor	1
DHT11 Sensor	1
Breadboard	1
Jumper wires	Several
Micro USB Cable	1

4. Working Principle:

MQ135 detects gases like CO₂, NH₃, benzene, alcohol, and smoke.

DHT11 senses temperature and humidity.

NodeMCU reads data and uploads it to ThingSpeak.

The data is visualized in charts on the cloud dashboard.

5. Circuit Diagram (Connections):

MQ135:

VCC → 5V

GND → GND

AOUT → A0 of NodeMCU

DHT11:

VCC → 3.3V

GND → GND

Data → D4 (GPIO2)

6. Code (Arduino IDE):

```
#include <ESP8266WiFi.h>
#include <DHT.h>
#include "ThingSpeak.h"

#define DHTPIN D4
#define DHTTYPE DHT11
DHT dht(DHTPIN, DHTTYPE);

const char* ssid = "Your_SSID";
const char* password = "Your_PASSWORD";

WiFiClient client;
unsigned long myChannelNumber = YOUR_CHANNEL_NUMBER;
const char * myWriteAPIKey = "YOUR_API_KEY";

void setup() {
  Serial.begin(115200);
  dht.begin();
  WiFi.begin(ssid, password);
  while (WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED) {
    delay(1000);
    Serial.println("Connecting...");
  }
  Serial.println("Connected!");
  ThingSpeak.begin(client);
```

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}
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void loop() {  
  float humidity = dht.readHumidity();  
  float temp = dht.readTemperature();  
  int airQuality = analogRead(A0); // MQ135 output
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  if (isnan(humidity) || isnan(temp)) {  
    Serial.println("DHT read failed!");  
    return;  
  }
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  Serial.println("Temp: " + String(temp) + " C");  
  Serial.println("Humidity: " + String(humidity) + " %");  
  Serial.println("Air Quality: " + String(airQuality));
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  ThingSpeak.setField(1, temp);  
  ThingSpeak.setField(2, humidity);  
  ThingSpeak.setField(3, airQuality);
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  ThingSpeak.writeFields(myChannelNumber, myWriteAPIKey);  
  delay(20000); // 20 seconds delay  
}
```

7. Platform Setup (ThingSpeak):

1. Create an account at <https://thingspeak.com>
2. Create a new channel with 3 fields:

Field 1: Temperature

Field 2: Humidity

Field 3: Air Quality

Copy the Channel Number and Write API Key into your code.

```
#include <SPI.h>
#include <Wire.h>
#include <Adafruit_GFX.h>
#include <Adafruit_SSD1306.h>
#include <dht.h>

#define SCREEN_WIDTH 128 // OLED display width, in pixels
#define SCREEN_HEIGHT 64 // OLED display height, in pixels
#define OLED_RESET 4 // Reset pin # (or -1 if sharing Arduino reset pin)
Adafruit_SSD1306 display(SCREEN_WIDTH, SCREEN_HEIGHT, &Wire,
OLED_RESET);

#define sensor A0
#define DHT11PIN 2

int gasLevel = 0; //int variable for gas level
String quality = "";
dht DHT;

void sendSensor()
{
  int readData = DHT.read11(DHT11PIN);
  float h = DHT.humidity;
  float t = DHT.temperature;
  if (isnan(h) || isnan(t)) {
    Serial.println("Failed to read from DHT sensor!");
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    return;
}
display.setTextColor(WHITE);
display.setTextSize(1);
display.setFont();
display.setCursor(0, 43);
display.println("Temp  :");
display.setCursor(80, 43);
display.println(t);
display.setCursor(114, 43);
display.println("C");
display.setCursor(0, 56);
display.println("RH   :");
display.setCursor(80, 56);
display.println(h);
display.setCursor(114, 56);
display.println("%");
}

void air_sensor()
{
    gasLevel = analogRead(sensor);
    if(gasLevel<151){
        quality = " GOOD!";
    }
    else if (gasLevel >151 && gasLevel<200){
        quality = " Poor!";
    }
}

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else if (gasLevel >200 && gasLevel<300){
    quality = "Very bad!";
}
else if (gasLevel >300 && gasLevel<500){
    quality = "Toxic!";
}
else{
    quality = " Toxic";
}

display.setTextColor(WHITE);
display.setTextSize(1);
display.setCursor(1,5);
display.setFont();
display.println("Air Quality:");
display.setTextSize(1);
display.setCursor(5,23);
display.println(gasLevel);
display.setCursor(20,23);
display.println(quality);
}

void setup() {
    Serial.begin(9600);
    pinMode(sensor,INPUT);
    if(!display.begin(SSD1306_SWITCHCAPVCC, 0x3c)) { // Address 0x3D for
128x64
        Serial.println(F("SSD1306 allocation failed"));
    }
}

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display.clearDisplay();
display.setTextColor(WHITE);
display.setTextSize(2);
display.setCursor(50, 0);
display.println("Air");
display.setTextSize(1);
display.setCursor(23, 20);
display.println("Quality monitor");
display.display();
delay(1200);
display.clearDisplay();
display.setTextSize(1.5);
display.setCursor(20, 20);
display.println("BY Circuit");
display.setCursor(20, 40);
display.println("Digest");
display.display();
delay(1000);
display.clearDisplay();
}

void loop() {
display.clearDisplay();
air_sensor();
sendSensor();
display.display();
}
```


8. Advantages:

Real-time monitoring

Low-cost setup

Remote data access from anywhere

Expandable with more sensors or alert systems

9. Applications:

Home/Office air monitoring

Schools and hospitals

Smart cities and industrial zones

10. Conclusion:

This project shows how IoT and sensor technology can be combined to create a smart air monitoring system. It allows users to track air quality remotely, making it a useful tool for both environmental awareness and health safety.