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ABSTRACT
Smart sensors are intelligent devices that are capable of measuring, processing, and transmitting data to a central location for further analysis. These sensors have become increasingly popular in recent years due to their ability to improve efficiency, safety, and accuracy in various applications. In this paper, we provide an overview of smart sensors, their types, applications, and future prospects in the field of creating E-villages.

KEYWORDS
Architecture (X64, X32); Data fusion (DF); Fusion based architecture (FBA); Internet of Things (IoT); Microcontrollers (MC); NI Multisim, Sentaurus

1. INTRODUCTION

Smart sensors can be broadly classified into two categories: analog and digital. Analog sensors convert physical parameters such as temperature, pressure, and humidity into analog signals. These signals are then processed and converted into digital signals for transmission to a central location. Digital sensors, on the other hand, directly convert physical parameters into digital signals, making them more accurate and reliable [1-3].

Smart sensors can also be categorized based on the types of parameters they measure. Some of the commonly used smart sensors include temperature sensors, pressure sensors, humidity sensors, light sensors, and motion sensors [4-6].
Applications of Smart Sensors:
Smart sensors have a wide range of applications in various industries. They are used in the automotive industry to improve the safety of vehicles. For instance, smart sensors are used to detect obstacles and alert drivers to potential collisions. Smart sensors are also used in the healthcare industry to monitor patients' vital signs and track their health progress remotely [7,8,11].
In the agricultural sector, smart sensors are used to monitor soil moisture, temperature, and nutrient levels, enabling farmers to optimise crop yield. In the manufacturing industry, smart sensors are used to monitor machines and equipment, detecting faults and alerting maintenance personnel in real-time [9,10,12-16].
Smart Sensor HUB:
A smart sensor hub is a device that integrates various sensors and allows for the collection, processing, and analysis of data from these sensors. It is often used in the context of the Internet of Things (IoT) to connect and manage a network of sensors [17-19].

Some common features of a smart sensor hub include:

1. Connectivity: The hub typically has built-in Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, or other wireless connectivity options to connect to the sensors and transmit data.
2. Data processing: The hub may have a built-in processor to perform basic data processing tasks such as filtering, aggregation, and normalization.
3. Storage: The hub may have built-in storage to store the data collected from the sensors.
4. Analytics: The hub may have built-in analytics capabilities to perform more advanced data analysis tasks, such as machine learning or predictive analytics.
5. Integration: The hub may be able to integrate with other devices or platforms, such as cloud services or other IoT devices.

Smart sensor hubs have a wide range of applications, including smart homes, industrial automation, healthcare, and environmental monitoring. They can help optimize processes, increase efficiency, and reduce costs by providing real-time insights and automating tasks [1-3, 20,21,24].

2. SMART SENSOR DESIGN

Smart sensor architecture typically consists of several components, including sensing elements, processing units, communication interfaces, and power sources.
1. Sensing Elements: Smart sensors incorporate one or more sensing elements that can detect changes in the environment. These sensing elements can be optical, mechanical, electrical, or chemical, depending on the application. Fig 1 shows a temperature sensor circuit.

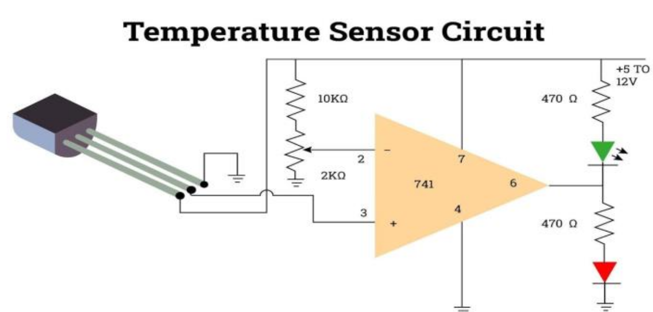

Fig. 1 Schematic circuit diagram of Temperature Sensing Device

2. Processing Units: Smart sensors also have processing units that can analyze and process the data collected by the sensing elements. Figure 2 shows a diagram of the processing units. These processing units can be microprocessors, microcontrollers, or digital signal processors.

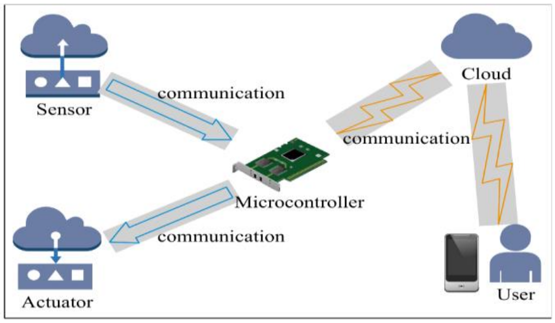

Fig. 2 Schematic diagram of Processing Units

3. Communication Interfaces: Smart sensors typically include communication interfaces that allow them to transmit the data collected and processed to a central location or other devices. These interfaces can be wired or wireless, such as Bluetooth and Wi-Fi. Figure 3 depicts a schematic diagram of communication interface [26].

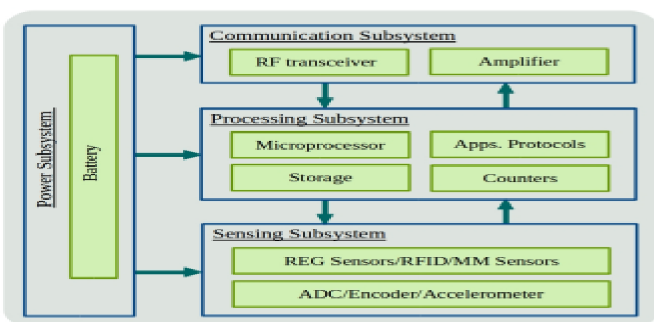

Fig. 3 Schematic diagram of Communication Interface [26]

4. Power Sources: Smart sensors need a power source to operate, and these can be batteries, energy harvesters or external power supplies. Figure 4 shows a power managed sensor [25].

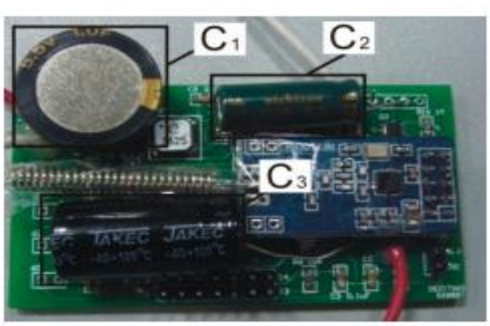

Fig. 4 Schematic diagram of Power Managed Sensor [25]

Overall, smart sensor architecture combines sensing elements, processing units, communication interfaces, and power sources to create intelligent devices that can collect and transmit data in real-time for various applications. Figure 5 shows a smart sensor architecture block diagram [4,5,22-24].

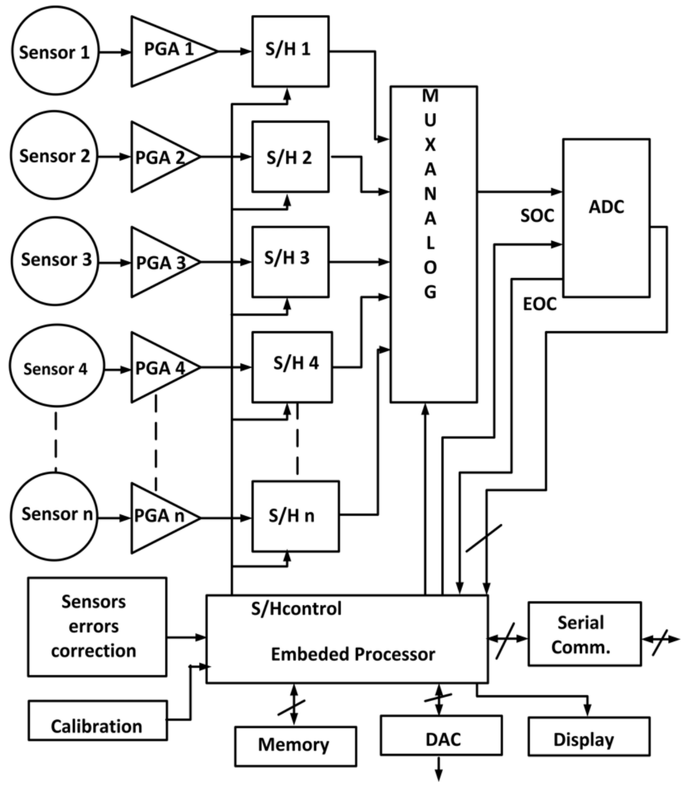

Fig. 5 Smart Sensor Architecture Block Diagram [23]

3. MULTI-SENSOR ARCHITECTURE

A multi-sensor architecture is a system that integrates multiple sensors to collect data from different sources and provide a more complete picture of a given environment or situation. This architecture is often used in applications such as robotics, autonomous vehicles, and surveillance systems [27-30].

The basic idea behind a multi-sensor architecture is to combine the strengths of different sensors to compensate for the weaknesses of each individual sensor. For example, a camera may be used to detect visual information, while a radar sensor may be used to detect objects that are obscured by poor lighting conditions. By combining these sensors, the system can provide a more accurate and reliable representation of the environment.

There are several different types of multi-sensor architectures, including:

1. Fusion-based architecture: In this architecture, the data from each sensor is collected and then fused together to create a single representation of the environment. This can be done

using techniques such as Bayesian fusion, Kalman filtering, or Dempster-Shafer theory.

2. Parallel architecture: In this architecture, each sensor operates independently and provides its own representation of the environment. These representations are then combined using a decision-making algorithm to create a final output.

3. Hierarchical architecture: In this architecture, the sensors are organized into a hierarchy based on their capabilities. The higher-level sensors make decisions based on the inputs from the lower-level sensors.

4. Redundant architecture: In this architecture, multiple sensors of the same type are used to provide redundant data. This increases the reliability of the system by ensuring that there is always at least one sensor providing data. Figure 6 depicts multisensory architecture via a block diagram.

Overall, a multi-sensor architecture can provide significant benefits in terms of accuracy, reliability, and robustness. However, it also requires careful design and integration to ensure that the sensors work together effectively [1-4, 31-33]

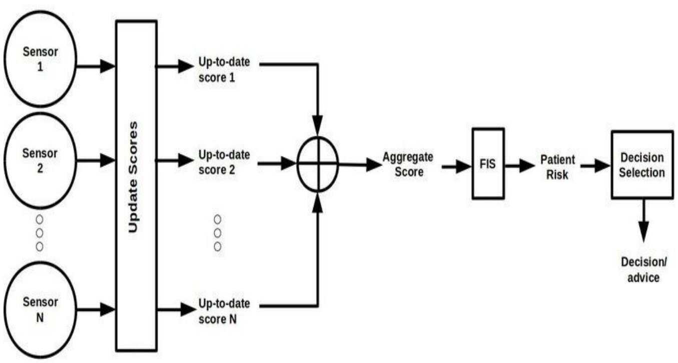

Fig. 6 Multi-Sensor Architecture Block Diagram [29]

4. TYPES OF SMART SENSORS

Here are some different types of smart sensors and their application for e-village [34-36, 39,40]:

1. <u>Temperature Sensors:</u> These sensors can detect changes in temperature and are commonly used in heating and cooling systems, refrigeration units, and medical devices.

a) Temperature sensors can be used to help farmers make data-driven decisions to optimize crop growth and reduce waste, which can ultimately lead to increased yields and profitability. They can be used to monitor soil temperature and help farmers determine when it is the best time to plant their crops.

b) These can also be used to monitor air temperature in the fields which can be used to determine when to irrigate crops, protect them from frost or heat stress, and adjust the timing of crop management activities.

c) Also, these can be used to monitor the temperature of the greenhouses and temperature in storage facilities where crops are kept.

2. <u>Humidity Sensors:</u> These sensors measure the amount of moisture in the air and are commonly used in weather monitoring, HVAC systems, and industrial processes.

a) Humidity sensors can be used to determine when plants need to be watered by measuring the moisture content of the soil. This information can be used to automate irrigation systems, ensuring that crops receive the right amount of water at the right time.

b) High humidity can create conditions that are favorable for the growth of fungal and bacterial diseases. By monitoring humidity levels, farmers can take preventative measures to reduce the risk of disease outbreaks, such as adjusting the timing and amount of irrigation or applying fungicides.

3. <u>Pressure Sensors:</u> These sensors measure pressure and are commonly used in automotive applications, industrial processes, and medical devices.

a) Pressure sensors can be installed in pipes and tanks to monitor water levels and detect leaks. This can help reduce water waste and prevent costly damage to infrastructure.

b) These can be used to monitor the structural integrity of buildings, bridges, and other infrastructure. This can help detect potential problems early on and prevent catastrophic failures.

4. <u>Gas Sensors:</u> These sensors detect the presence of specific gases and are commonly used in environmental monitoring, industrial safety, and medical devices.

a) Gas sensors can be used to monitor air quality in a smart village and detect the presence of pollutants or hazardous gases. This information can be used to inform public health decisions and develop strategies to reduce pollution.

b) Gas sensors can be used to monitor the health of crops and soil by detecting the presence of gases such as carbon dioxide, ammonia, and methane. This can help farmers optimize their crop yield and reduce waste.

5. <u>Proximity Sensors:</u> These sensors detect the presence of nearby objects and are commonly used in robotics, automotive applications, and security systems.

a) These can be used to control the streetlights in the village, turning them ON or OFF depending in the presence of people or vehicles.

b) These can be used to monitor the moisture levels in the soil and trigger Irrigation systems when needed.

c) These can be used as scarecrows in villages to help protect crops from birds and other animals that may damage or destroy them. Using proximity sensors as scarecrows in villages could help reduce crop damage and improve agricultural productivity. It could also help reduce the need for harmful pesticides and other chemicals, leading to a more sustainable and environmentally friendly farming practice [12-15, 34,35]

6. <u>Ultrasonic Sensors:</u> Ultrasonic sensors are devices that use high-frequency sound waves to detect the distance or presence of objects in their surroundings. These sensors emit ultrasonic waves at a frequency above the range of human hearing (usually around 40 kHz), and then detect the echoes that bounce back off nearby objects.

a) Ultrasonic sensors can be used for health purposes to detect the presence of mosquitoes, and other disease carrying insects which can help in the prevention of diseases such as malaria and dengue fever.

b) These can also be used in waste management to measure the level of waste in garbage bins and to detect the presence of objects that should not be there such as metal objects or hazardous waste.

7. Thermal Sensors: Thermal sensors are electronic devices that detect and measure temperature or heat energy in a given area. These work by detecting infrared radiation emitted by objects in their field of view.

a) Thermal sensors can be used to monitor the performance of energy systems in a smart village, such as solar panels or wind turbines, and detect inefficiencies or malfunctions. This can help optimize energy usage and reduce waste.

b) These can be used to detect areas of buildings that are not properly insulated or have air leaks, which can lead to wasted energy and higher heating and cooling costs. This information can be used to make improvements to the building's energy efficiency [36,37].

8. Capacitive Level Sensors: Capacitive level sensors are devices that measure the level of a liquid or solid material in a container or tank by detecting changes in capacitance and are particularly useful for measuring the level of liquids and materials that are conductive or have a dielectric constant, such as water, oil, and plastic pellets. These are also useful for measuring the level of corrosive or hazardous materials, since they do not come into contact with the material being measured.

a) Capacitive level sensors can be used to monitor the fill level of trash cans and dumpsters. This information can be used to optimize waste collection routes and reduce costs.

b) These can also be used to monitor the fill level of trash cans and dumpsters. This information can be used to optimize waste collection routes and reduce costs [16]. Figure 7 depicts the block diagram of a successful smart village [31]

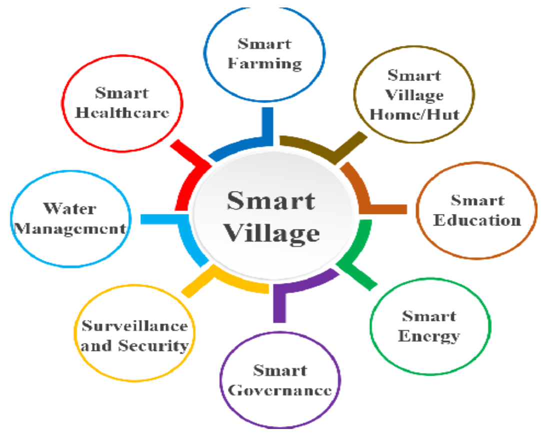

Fig. 7 Smart Village Block Diagram [31]

5. IoT WITH SMART SENSORS

IoT (Internet of Things) refers to a network of interconnected physical devices, vehicles, buildings, and other objects that are embedded with sensors, software, and network connectivity. These devices can collect and exchange data over the internet, enabling them to communicate with each other and with humans.

Smart sensors are a key component of IoT systems. These are sensors that are equipped with additional processing capabilities, enabling them to perform more complex tasks than traditional sensors. Smart sensors can collect data, process it, and then transmit it to other devices or the cloud.

Some key benefits of IoT with smart sensors include:

1. Improved efficiency: Smart sensors can help optimize processes, automate tasks, and reduce waste, leading to increased efficiency.
2. Enhanced safety: Smart sensors can detect potential hazards and alert humans or other devices to take appropriate action.
3. Better decision-making: IoT with smart sensors can provide real-time data that can be used to make informed decisions, improve planning, and optimize resource allocation.
4. Reduced costs: IoT with smart sensors can help reduce costs by identifying inefficiencies and areas for improvement, enabling businesses to streamline operations and save money.

Examples of IoT applications with smart sensors include:

1. Smart homes: Smart sensors can be used to monitor and control temperature, lighting, and security systems in homes, making them more comfortable and secure.
2. Industrial IoT: Smart sensors can be used to monitor and optimize industrial processes, leading to increased efficiency, reduced downtime, and improved safety.
3. Healthcare: Smart sensors can be used to monitor patients' vital signs and transmit data to healthcare providers, enabling early intervention and better care.
4. Smart cities: Smart sensors can be used to monitor traffic, pollution levels, and other factors in cities, enabling better urban planning and resource allocation.

Overall, IoT with smart sensors has the potential to revolutionize many aspects of our lives, from homes and cities to industries and healthcare [3-8, 37,38].

6. e-VILLAGES USING SMART SENSORS

Smart sensors can have various potential applications in villages, particularly in areas such as agriculture, water management, and infrastructure monitoring. Here are some possible use cases for smart sensors in villages:

1. **Smart Education:** The use of smart sensors in education in villages can have a positive impact on the learning experience of students and also help teachers to deliver their lectures more effectively.

i) Smart Classrooms: Smart sensors can be used to make classrooms smarter by enabling features like automatic temperature and lighting control, automatic blackboard cleaning, and sound and video recording of the lectures.

ii) Monitoring Attendance: Smart sensors can be used to monitor attendance in schools in villages. With the help of sensors, teachers can easily track which students are present in the class and which ones are absent.

iii) Interactive Learning: With the help of sensors, teachers can create interactive quizzes and games that can help students to learn in a more engaging way.

2. **e-Banking:** Smart sensors can play a crucial role in banking for smart villages by providing real-time information on various aspects of financial transactions, such as account balance, transactions history, and loan repayments.

i) Fraud Detection: Smart sensors can also be used to detect fraudulent activities in real-time, such as card skimming or account hacking. This helps in preventing fraudulent transactions and ensuring the safety of customers' funds.

ii) Loan Monitoring: Smart sensors can be used to monitor loan repayments, enabling banks to track the status of loans in real-time. This ensures that loan repayments are made on time, which helps in reducing the risk of default and enables banks to manage their loan portfolio more efficiently [20].

3. **Employment:** The installation and maintenance of smart sensors require skilled technicians and engineers. Thus, the use of smart sensors can create new job opportunities for local residents in smart villages. Smart sensors can improve the efficiency of various industries, such as agriculture and manufacturing, which can lead to increased productivity and job opportunities in these sectors. The use of these technologies can promote the development of new skills in local residents.

4. **e-Health:** Smart sensors can help in monitoring and detecting health conditions, enabling earlier intervention and treatment.

i) Early detection of disease outbreaks: Smart sensors can be used to detect early signs of disease outbreaks in villages by monitoring changes in air quality, water quality, and other environmental factors. This can help public health officials to take timely action to prevent the spread of disease.

ii) Tracking medication adherence: Smart sensors can be used to monitor medication adherence in patients, especially those with chronic illnesses. This can help healthcare providers to ensure that patients are taking their medications as prescribed, which can improve patient outcomes and reduce healthcare costs.

5. **e-Agriculture:** In villages, where agriculture is the primary source of income for many people, the use of smart sensors can be particularly beneficial in areas like:

i) Pest management: Smart sensors can be used to detect pests in the field and alert farmers to take appropriate action. This can help farmers to minimize the use of pesticides and reduce the risk of crop damage [21,22,41-43].

ii) Weather monitoring: Smart sensors can be used to monitor weather conditions such as temperature, humidity, and rainfall.

iii) Soil moisture monitoring: Smart sensors can be used to monitor the moisture levels in the soil, which can help farmers to optimize their irrigation practices.

6. **Livestock monitoring**: The use of smart sensors in livestock monitoring can improve the efficiency and effectiveness of livestock management in smart villages. It can also lead to increased productivity, reduced labor costs, and better animal health and welfare.

i) Real-Time Monitoring: Smart sensors can provide real-time information on various aspects of livestock management, such as animal behavior, health status, and environmental conditions. This enables farmers and herders to monitor their livestock more effectively and make informed decisions based on accurate and up-to-date information [44,45,49].

ii) Improved Productivity: With the help of smart sensors, farmers and herders can monitor the productivity of their livestock, such as milk production or weight gain. This can help in identifying any issues early on and taking corrective measures to improve productivity.

iii) Early Disease Detection: Smart sensors can detect changes in animal behavior and health status, which can indicate the presence of diseases or infections [14,15]. Early detection can help in preventing the spread of diseases and minimizing the impact on livestock health and productivity. Various IoT based sensor applications are shown in Figure 8 [30].

Overall, the use of smart sensors in villages can help improve the quality of life for residents by providing better access to information and resources, as well as helping to address environmental and infrastructure challenges.

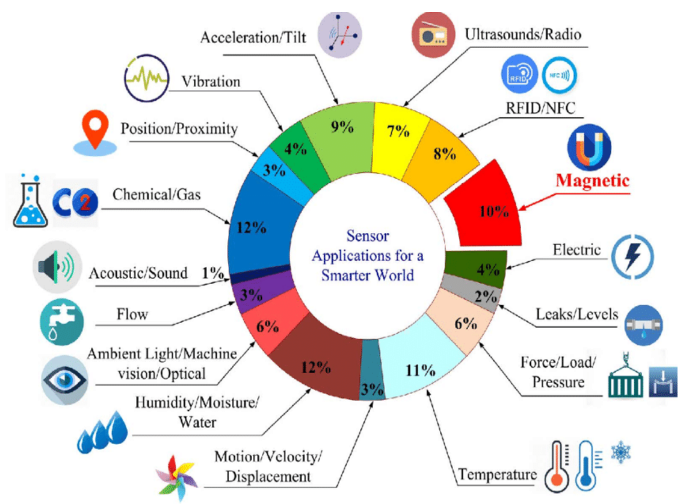

Fig. 8 IoT Smart Sensors applications [30]

7. IoT INTEGRATIONS

The Internet of Things (IoT) has been one of the most significant technological advancements in recent years, with the potential to revolutionize various industries. IoT refers to the interconnection of physical devices, vehicles, buildings, and other objects, with embedded sensors, software, and network connectivity that enable them to collect and exchange data. This essay will explore some of the most significant IoT integrations and their implications for different industries. Figure 1.8 shows the scope of IoT in near future [33].

One of the most significant IoT integrations is in the field of smart homes. Smart home devices, such as thermostats, security systems, and lighting, can be integrated with IoT technology to provide users with greater control and automation. For example, a smart thermostat can learn a user's temperature preferences and automatically adjust the temperature based on occupancy, weather, and other factors. This leads to more comfortable living spaces and energy savings [50].

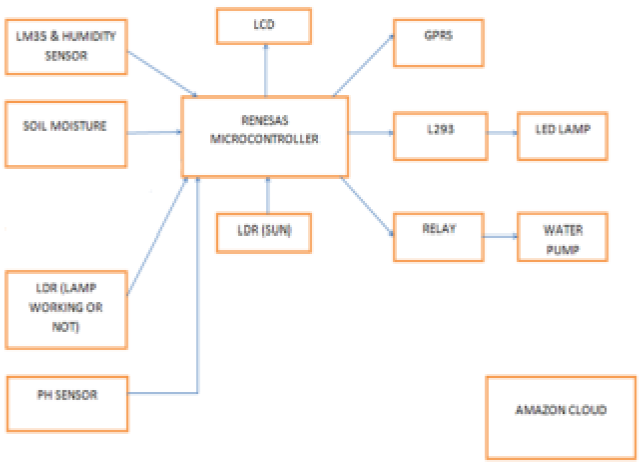

Fig. 9 Scopes of IoT [33]

Another significant IoT integration is in the field of industrial automation. IoT sensors can be embedded in various machines and equipment, providing real-time data on performance, maintenance needs, and other critical factors. This data can be used to optimize production processes, improve product quality, and reduce downtime. The integration of IoT technology in industrial automation can lead to significant cost savings and improved efficiency.

IoT technology also has significant implications for the transportation industry. Vehicles can be equipped with sensors and connected to the internet, providing real-time data on location, fuel consumption, and other metrics. This data can be used to optimize routes, improve fuel efficiency, and reduce emissions. Additionally, IoT technology can enable vehicles to communicate with other vehicles and traffic infrastructure, enhancing safety and reducing congestion.

The healthcare industry is also ripe for IoT integration. Wearable devices, such as smart watches and fitness trackers, can monitor a user's vital signs, physical activity, and other health metrics. This data can be used by healthcare providers to identify health issues early and provide more personalized care. Additionally, IoT sensors can be integrated with medical devices to monitor patients remotely and provide real-time data to healthcare providers. Figure 10 shows a block diagram of cloud computing techniques [28].

Finally, IoT technology can be integrated with agriculture to optimize crop yields, reduce water usage, and minimize waste. Sensors can be embedded in soil, crops, and irrigation systems, providing real-time data on moisture levels, nutrient content, and other critical factors. This data can be used to optimize irrigation schedules, fertilization, and other agricultural practices, leading to greater yields and reduced environmental impact [42].

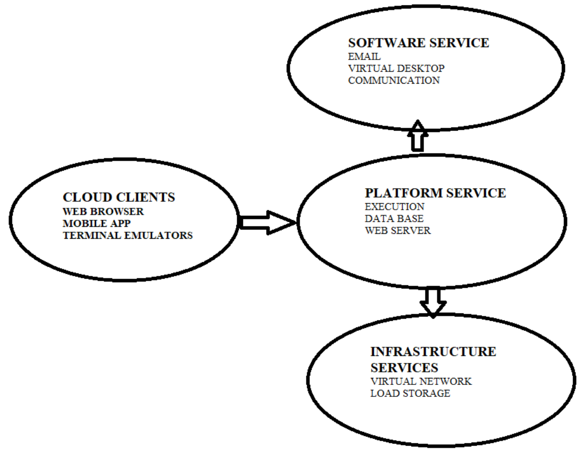

Fig. 10 Cloud Computing Block Diagram [28]

In conclusion, IoT integrations have significant implications for various industries, including smart homes, industrial automation, transportation, healthcare, and agriculture. IoT technology can lead to improved efficiency, cost savings, and better outcomes for consumers and businesses. As IoT technology continues to develop, we can expect to see even more innovative IoT integrations in the future, leading to greater automation and optimization in various industries. [11-12].

8. CHALLENGES WITH IOT

There are several challenges associated with sensors and IoT that need to be addressed to fully realize the potential of this technology.

1. Connectivity: IoT sensors need to be connected to the internet to transmit data to the cloud for analysis. However, many sensors are located in areas with poor connectivity, making it difficult to transmit data reliably. This can be addressed through the use of mesh networks, which allow sensors to communicate with each other and transmit data to the cloud through multiple paths.

2. Power Consumption: Most IoT sensors are battery-powered, and the need to conserve battery life can limit their functionality. Power consumption can be minimized by using low-power wireless communication protocols and optimizing sensor configurations and data transmission. Figure 11 shows various challenges under internet of things field.[24]

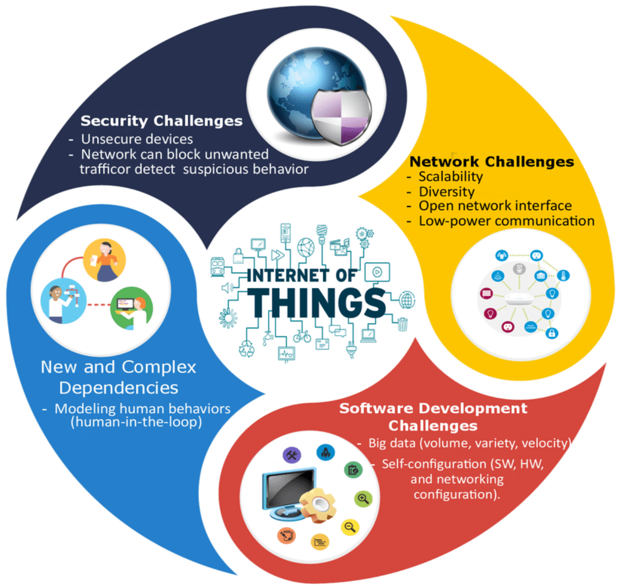

Fig. 11 Challenges under IoT Field [24]

3. Security: IoT sensors collect and transmit sensitive data, making them a prime target for cyber-attacks. Security must be built into every layer of the IoT architecture to protect against data breaches and hacking attempts.

4. Standardization: The lack of standardization in the IoT industry makes it difficult for sensors from different manufacturers to work together seamlessly. The development of common protocols and standards can enable interoperability between different IoT devices.

5. Data Overload: IoT sensors generate vast amounts of data, which can be overwhelming for organizations to manage and analyze. Advanced analytics tools, including artificial intelligence and machine learning, can help organizations make sense of the data and derive actionable insights.

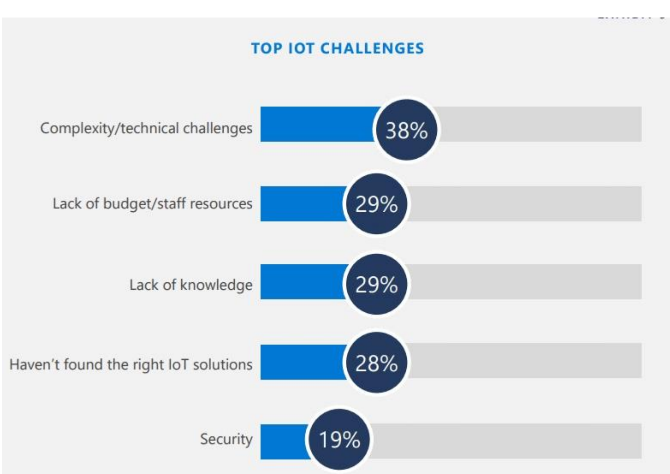

Fig. 12 Representing challenges in percentage

Addressing these challenges is critical to the successful implementation of IoT systems and the realization of their potential benefits.[7-10].Figure 12 represents the challenges for IoT as percentage.

9. LOGISTICS AND COST OF SMART SENSORS

The rise of the Internet of Things (IoT) has brought about a plethora of new technologies, one of which is smart sensors. Smart sensors are becoming increasingly popular because of their ability to provide real-time data on various aspects such as temperature, humidity, motion, and light, among others. However, as with any new technology, there is a cost associated with smart sensors. In this essay, we will discuss the cost of smart sensors and how it affects their adoption.

One of the primary factors that affect the cost of smart sensors is the complexity of the sensor. The more complex the sensor, the higher the cost. For instance, a smart sensor that detects temperature may be less expensive compared to a smart sensor that detects motion, temperature, humidity, and light simultaneously. This is because the latter requires more components, which increases the manufacturing cost, leading to a higher price point.

Another factor that affects the cost of smart sensors is the type of communication protocol used. Smart sensors can communicate through various protocols, such as Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, ZigBee, and Z-Wave. However, some protocols are more expensive than others. For example, ZigBee and Z-Wave protocols tend to be more costly than Wi-Fi and Bluetooth. This is because ZigBee and Z-Wave are designed for low-power and long-range communication, which requires additional components and increased manufacturing costs.

The cost of smart sensors is also influenced by the application they are designed for. For instance, smart sensors used in industrial settings may be more expensive than those designed for home use. This is because industrial smart sensors require more robust components to withstand harsh environments, while home-based smart sensors do not. Additionally, smart sensors that are designed for niche applications such as healthcare or automotive may be more expensive due to the specialized nature of their design. Figure 13 shows the falling average cost of smart sensor sales through the years.

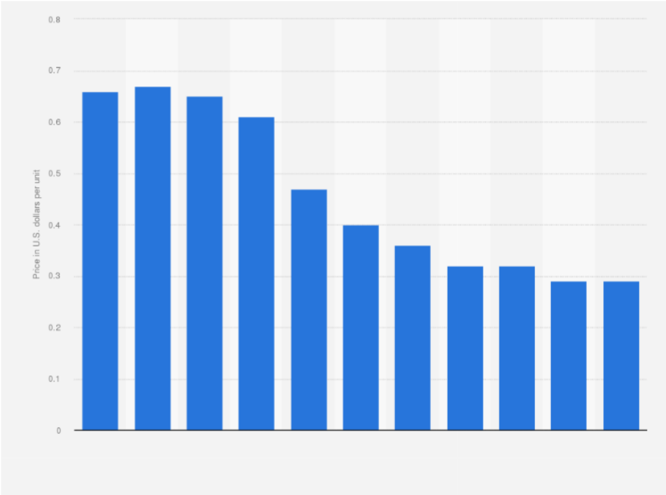

Fig. 13 Falling Average Cost of Smart Sensor Sales

The cost of smart sensors is an important consideration for businesses and consumers. For businesses, the cost of smart sensors can impact the bottom line, especially for companies that need to deploy many sensors throughout their operations. High costs can limit the number of sensors that can be deployed, affecting the overall effectiveness of the system. For consumers, high costs can limit the adoption of smart sensors in their homes, making it difficult to realize the benefits of the technology.

In conclusion, the cost of smart sensors is influenced by several factors such as complexity, communication protocols, and application. While the cost of smart sensors may be a barrier to adoption, it is important to note that the benefits of the technology may outweigh the costs in the long run. As the technology continues to evolve, we can expect the cost of smart sensors to decrease, making them more accessible to businesses and consumers alike.

10. HUBS FOR SMART SENSORS

One of the essential components of the IoT is the hub of smart sensors. A hub of smart sensors is a central point where multiple sensors can connect and communicate with each other. In this essay, we will discuss the importance of hubs of smart sensors and their role in the IoT ecosystem.

Hubs of smart sensors serve as a central point of control for various sensors within an IoT system. They provide a platform for the sensors to communicate with each other and exchange data. The hub acts as a bridge between the sensors and the cloud, allowing data to be transmitted and analyzed in real-time. The hub also enables the sensors to be monitored and controlled from a centralized location, making it easier to manage and maintain the system.

One of the main advantages of using a hub of smart sensors is the ability to collect and analyze data from multiple sensors in real-time. This data can be used to optimize the performance of the system, improve efficiency, and reduce costs. For example, in a smart home system, a hub of smart sensors can collect data from various sensors such as temperature sensors, motion sensors, and light sensors. The data collected can be analyzed to optimize heating and cooling systems, turn off lights in unoccupied rooms, and trigger security alarms when unauthorized movement is detected. Figure 14 well shows a sensor hub up for sale.

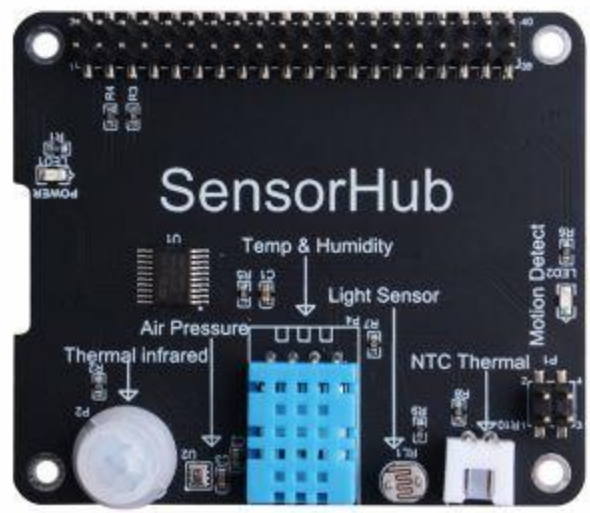

Fig. 14 Smart Sensor Hub(e-commerce)

Another advantage of using a hub of smart sensors is the ability to integrate different types of sensors into a single system. This allows for more comprehensive monitoring and control of the environment. For example, in an industrial setting, a hub of smart sensors can integrate sensors for temperature, pressure, vibration, and sound, among others, to provide a more comprehensive picture of the operations.

Hubs of smart sensors also play a crucial role in the security of IoT systems. The hub can provide an additional layer of security by acting as a gateway between the sensors and the cloud. The hub can also provide authentication and encryption services to ensure that only authorized devices can access the system. This helps to prevent unauthorized access and protects the system from cyber-attacks.Hub architecture can be clearly seen in Figure 15.

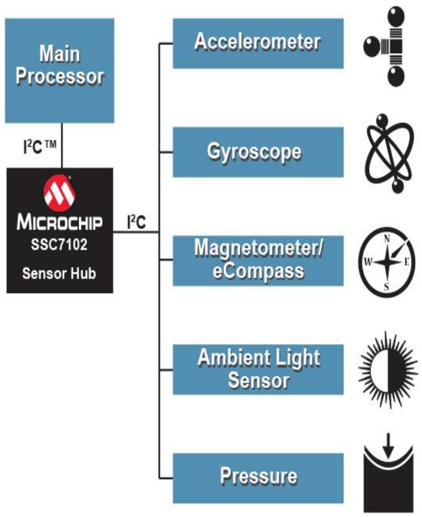

Fig. 15 Hub Architecture

In conclusion, hubs of smart sensors are critical components of IoT systems. They provide a central point of control for multiple sensors, enabling them to communicate and exchange data in real-time. Hubs of smart sensors allow for comprehensive monitoring and control of the environment, leading to improved efficiency and reduced costs. They also provide an additional layer of security to IoT systems, protecting them from cyber-attacks. As the IoT continues to evolve, we can expect the role of hubs of smart sensors to become even more critical in the management and optimization of the IoT ecosystem [2-5].

11. RESULTS FOR MULTI SENSORS

Following are the steps to determine the final results of a multi-sensor system:

1. Data Fusion: In a multi-sensor system, data fusion techniques are typically employed to combine the information from multiple sensors and create a comprehensive view of the environment or the phenomenon being monitored. Data fusion can be done at different levels, such as sensor-level fusion, feature-level fusion, or decision-level fusion.
2. Calibration: Before merging the data from different sensors, calibration is crucial to ensure that measurements from all sensors are consistent and aligned. Calibration involves accounting for sensor biases, errors, and variations to bring the measurements to a common reference frame.
3. Sensor Fusion Algorithms: Depending on the application, various sensor fusion algorithms can be used to integrate the sensor data effectively. Some commonly used algorithms include Kalman filters, particle filters, neural networks, and Bayesian techniques. These algorithms take into account the characteristics and uncertainties of each sensor to estimate the most accurate and reliable information.
4. Weighting and Confidence Estimation: Different sensors may have varying levels of accuracy and reliability. Assigning appropriate weights to each sensor's data helps prioritize more reliable measurements and reduce the impact of less reliable ones. Confidence estimation techniques can also be employed to assess the trustworthiness of each sensor's output.
5. Final Output Generation: After the data fusion process, the final results can be generated based on the specific requirements of the system. This could be a single integrated output representing the combined information from all sensors or separate outputs for different aspects of the monitored phenomenon.

The specific implementation and methodology of a multi-sensor system can vary significantly depending on the application domain, the types of sensors used, and the desired outcome

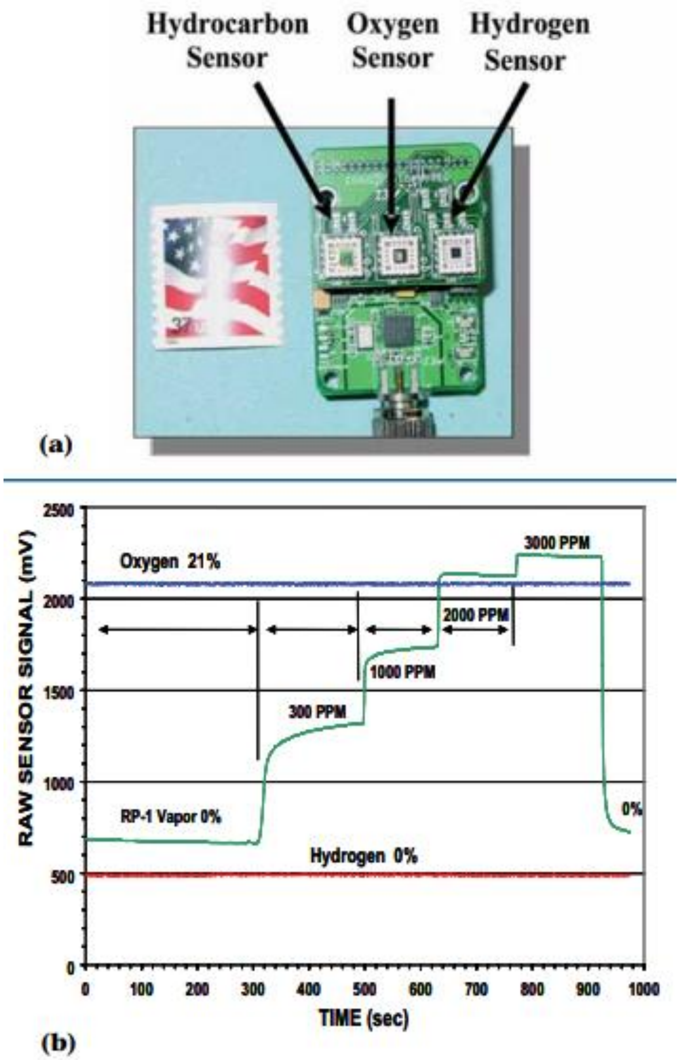

Fig. 16 Result of a gas sensor [27]

Table. 1 Comparative analysis of the methodology

METHODOLOGY	RESULT	OBSERVATION MADE
For oil palms, basic plant management is seen as a technique to increase soil organic carbon sequestration. We employed a modelling approach that included geographic information and geostatistics to simulate the spatial transport of water and solvents in huge croplands.	The sensor calculates the amount of soil moisture in each field. The control panel receives the gateway and the observed data. The device hub examines it when the sensor is confident with the appropriate soil dampness confidence. If the amount of soil moisture in a particular field is below the required level [33]	This analysis primarily focuses on the deployment of selected on-the-go sensors that are used for in-situ soil evaluation and may possibly be utilised for nutrient-specific control and tracking. After obtaining the sensor value, the controller hub verifies it with the appropriate soil dampness value.
It offers soil testing services to farmers at their doorstep, utilising the appropriate sensors to identify all soil properties including pH. mobile phone's EC, nitrogen, potassium, and phosphorus content.	The primary output of this paper is a study on soil science coupled with recommendations for crops and fertiliser tailored to particular soil types and types of crops. The device node compares the sensor value to the appropriate soil moisture value after it has been gathered.[33]	The primary output of this paper is a study on soil science coupled with recommendations for crops and fertiliser tailored to particular soil types and types of crops. The device node compares the sensor value to the appropriate soil moisture value after it has been gathered.
Farmers may plan their irrigation by using soil moisture sensors, which provide them information on when to water the crops.	Tensiometers are simple tools for determining soil moisture that are commonly used in the design of water systems. The water in the cylinder needs to be separated from the air. The porous earthenware cup is placed in the dirt so that the tensiometer, which is examined by pressure detecting devices attached on the tensiometer, receives the water weight of the dirt. This tool does not accurately measure the amount of soil moisture. nevertheless, measures the soil water voltage.[33]	The development of wireless communication applications in the fields allows for the highest possible rise in the productivity, profitability, and efficiency of traditional agriculture. After the sensor value is received, crop yield with the least amount of irrigation water use is measured as moisture value.
Instead of the usual glass electrodes, the ISFET employs a novel pH measurement technique. Measurements Two semiconductor electrodes are used in the theory to control the flow of current between them. These three electrodes—the drain electrode, the source electrode, and the third electrode—are positioned between the drain and source electrodes in a silicon chip.	The physical, chemical, and biological features of the soil are directly impacted by the pH, which has an impact on plant growth. [33]	The in-situ pH-sensing method based on improved nanotechnology is effective. increasing the effectiveness of electrode sensing by utilising ZnO nanoparticles.

12. FUTURE SCOPE OF SMART SENSORS

Smart sensors are transforming the way we interact with our surroundings. These devices are becoming increasingly popular as they offer real-time data, automation, and optimization opportunities across a wide range of industries. The future of smart sensors is bright, with new technologies and applications emerging every day. In this essay, we will explore the future of smart sensors and how they are likely to shape our world.

One of the most significant areas of growth for smart sensors is in the Internet of Things (IoT) space. As more and more devices become connected, the need for sensors that can gather and transmit data in real-time is increasing. Smart sensors can monitor and control everything from home appliances to industrial equipment, making our lives more efficient and convenient. In the future, we can expect to see smart sensors integrated into even more devices, allowing us to manage our lives and environments more effectively.

Another area where smart sensors are poised to have a significant impact is in healthcare. Wearable devices that incorporate smart sensors can monitor a wide range of health metrics, including heart rate, blood pressure, and oxygen saturation. This data can be used to detect early warning signs of health problems and track progress toward fitness goals. In

(PH-SOIL SENSOR) [33]

even more healthcare devices, enabling more personalized and the future, we can expect to see smart sensors integrated into proactive healthcare.

Smart sensors are also likely to revolutionize the way we approach agriculture. By monitoring soil moisture, nutrient levels, and crop health, farmers can optimize crop yields and reduce water usage. This will help to make farming more sustainable and efficient, while also reducing costs and increasing profits.

Industrial automation is another area where smart sensors will play a significant role in the future. By monitoring equipment health, predicting failures, and optimizing production processes, smart sensors can help manufacturers improve efficiency and reduce costs. This will enable them to compete more effectively in an increasingly globalized economy.

Smart cities are another area where smart sensors will have a transformative impact. By monitoring traffic patterns, energy usage, and waste management, cities can become more efficient and sustainable. This will reduce costs and improve quality of life for residents, making cities more livable and attractive to businesses and investors.

Finally, environmental monitoring is another area where smart sensors will be essential in the future. By monitoring air and water quality, as well as weather conditions, scientists and policymakers can develop more effective pollution reduction strategies and protect the environment. This will help to ensure that future generations can enjoy a healthy and sustainable planet.

In conclusion, smart sensors are poised to revolutionize the way we interact with our world. From IoT devices to healthcare, agriculture, and environmental monitoring, smart sensors offer real-time data, automation, and optimization opportunities that will transform our lives and make our world a better place. As new technologies and applications emerge, we can expect to see even more exciting developments in the future of smart sensors. [7-10]

Table. 2 The Smart Village Ultimate Goal (IEEE STANDARD COMPARISON)

VILLAGE LIFE	E-VILLAGE	ISSUES
AGRICULTURE/ FARMING	Smart agriculture waste management; smart farming; smart irrigation; smart live-stock tracking; smart dairy	• Crop health monitoring and predictive analysis • Irrigation and fertilizer management system • Climate monitoring and forecasting • Accurately forecasting and meeting the demand for agricultural products; • Reducing the management of agricultural waste and recycling; • Monitoring the health and performance of individual animals and collective analysis as herds [4], [5]
SOCIAL	Informational entertainment, governance, surveillance, and security	• Connected classrooms and libraries, interactive learning opportunities Real-time surveillance increases visibility and enables greater reach for the prevention of crime and the loss of critical assets. It also improves governance effectiveness by monitoring village-wide services, ensuring villagers' safety, and enabling sustainable growth. [7][6]
HOME AND UTILITIES	Smart village housing or huts, smart energy, smart healthcare, and smart water and waste management	• Improved energy management, CCTV surveillance, gas, smoke, and fire detection • Meeting senior citizens' needs, such as those related to their health, stress, and fall prevention. Keep track of chronic conditions such high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, and rehabilitation [8] • Security through design in consumer IoT devices that harvest energy [9] • Effective and efficient distribution of clean water; assessment of soil's pH, oxygen content, turbidity, and hydrocarbons; and metal and chemical content. [10]

13. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the concept of an e-village that uses smart sensors has the potential to improve the quality of life for rural residents. However, there are also significant challenges associated with implementing such a system. As technology continues to advance, it will be important to address these challenges and find ways to make smart villages a reality. By doing so, we can create more sustainable and resilient rural communities, and improve the lives of millions of people around the world.

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