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ABSTRACT

Humans can be adversely affected by exposure to air pollutants in ambient air. Hence, health-based standards and objectives for some pollutants in the air are set by each country detection and measurement of contents of the atmosphere are becoming increasingly important. Careful planning of measurements is essential. One of the major factors that influence the representativeness of data collected is the location of monitoring stations the planning and setting up of monitoring stations are complex and incurs a huge expenditure. Air pollution affects our day-to-day activities and quality of life. It poses a threat to the ecosystem and the quality of life on the planet. The dire need to monitor air quality is very glaring, owing to increased industrial activities over the past years. People need to know the extent to which their activities affect air quality. This project proposes an air pollution monitoring system using RTC(Real Time Clock), temperature sensor, DHT11, MG811 and MQ135. An IoT-based air pollution monitoring system is proposed to monitor the pollution levels of CO₂. The geographical area is classified as industrial, Residential, and traffic zones the proposes an IoT system that could be deployed at any location and store the measured values in a cloud database, perform pollution analysis, and display the pollution level on a webpage at any given location.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Air pollution is a critical environmental issue affecting the health and well-being of populations worldwide. According to the World Health Organization, approximately 7 million people die annually due to exposure to air pollutants, including fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), Sulphur dioxide (SO₂), and carbon monoxide (CO). Urbanization, industrial activities, and vehicular emissions contribute significantly to deteriorating air quality, necessitating the development of robust air pollution monitoring systems. Air pollution is caused due to the presence of particulate matter, harmful materials, and biological molecules in earth atmosphere. It has adverse impact on living organisms such as humans, animals, food crops and can also damage build and natural environment. It may result in allergies, harmful diseases such as cardio vascular diseases, lungs diseases and can also cause death. The environment group Greenpeace in January released a report that has estimated every year nearly 1.2 million Indian die because of air borne pollutants.

1.2 The Need for Scalable Air Pollution Monitoring Systems

Traditional air quality monitoring systems, while providing highly accurate data, typically rely on expensive, high-maintenance equipment housed in dedicated stations. These stations are often sparsely distributed, limiting their ability to capture the fine-grained variations in air quality across a region. This sparse network makes it difficult to pinpoint pollution sources and understand the factors that influence pollution patterns, such as traffic density or weather conditions.

To address these limitations, there is a growing need for scalable air pollution monitoring systems. These systems leverage advancements in sensor technology, data transmission, and cloud computing to provide a more comprehensive picture of air quality. They achieve this by deploying a network of low-cost, low-power sensors at a much higher density than traditional stations. These sensors can be strategically placed in areas of concern, such as near industrial facilities or high-traffic corridors. The collected data is then transmitted wirelessly to a central hub or cloud platform for real-time processing and analysis. This approach enables the creation of a high-resolution air quality map, providing valuable insights for researchers, policymakers, and the public.

1.3 Advantages of using IOT devices

1. Real time monitoring system

IoT devices enable continuous, real-time monitoring of air quality, providing immediate access to current pollution levels. This instant data collection helps in quickly identifying pollution spikes and taking timely actions to mitigate their effects

2. Cost-Effectiveness

Compared to traditional air quality monitoring stations, IoT-based systems are significantly more cost-effective. Low-cost sensors and modules (such as the DHT11, MQ135, and PM2.5) reduce the overall expense of deployment and maintenance, making it feasible to set up extensive monitoring networks, especially in resource-constrained environments

3. Scalability

IoT systems can be easily scaled up by adding more sensors across different locations. This scalability allows for comprehensive coverage of large areas, including urban, suburban, and rural regions. The modular nature of IoT networks also facilitates easy integration of new sensors and technologies as they become available

4. Wireless Communication and Data Transmission

IoT devices use wireless communication technologies (such as the ESP8266 module) to transmit data to central servers or cloud platforms. This wireless capability eliminates the need for complex wiring and enables flexible placement of sensors in various locations.

1.4 IOT based solutions

The Internet of Things (IoT) offers a promising approach to air pollution monitoring by leveraging interconnected sensors and communication networks to collect and transmit environmental data. IoT-based systems utilize a variety of sensors, such as the DHT11 for temperature and humidity, MQ135 for gas detection, and PM2.5 sensors for particulate matter. These sensors, coupled with modules like the ESP8266 for wireless data transmission, enable the creation of comprehensive, real-time air quality monitoring networks.

1.5 Integrating with Machine Learning

Incorporating machine learning into air pollution monitoring systems enhances their predictive capabilities and data analysis efficiency. It helps to increase the accuracy of the data by analyzing the data that are being collected by various sensors which are used in the project making. Machine learning algorithms can process large volumes of sensor data to identify trends, predict future pollution levels, and provide actionable insights. This integration facilitates the development of intelligent monitoring systems capable of adaptive responses to changing air quality conditions.

1.6 Objective of the project

The primary objective of this project is to design and implement an IoT-based air pollution monitoring system integrated with machine learning for real-time data collection, analysis, and prediction. The system aims to:

- Utilize low-cost, efficient sensors for monitoring various air pollutants.
- Implement a robust wireless communication framework using the ESP8266 module.
- Employ machine learning algorithms to analyze collected data and predict future pollution trends.
- Provide a user-friendly interface for visualizing real-time and historical air quality data.

By achieving these objectives, the project aims to contribute to the development of scalable, intelligent air quality monitoring solutions that can be deployed in urban and rural settings alike.

1.7 Motivation

The World Health Organization reports that millions of deaths annually are attributable to poor air quality, with fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) being a major concern. Traditional air quality monitoring methods, while accurate, are often limited by their high costs and lack of spatial coverage, particularly in developing regions. The rapid advancement of Internet of Things (IoT) technologies offers a transformative solution to these challenges. IoT-based air pollution monitoring systems, utilizing cost-effective sensors like DHT11, MQ135, and PM_{2.5}, along with communication modules such as the ESP8266, enable real-time, scalable, and comprehensive monitoring of air quality across diverse geographical areas. By integrating machine learning algorithms, these systems can not only track and analyze current pollution levels but also predict future trends, empowering communities, and policymakers with actionable insights to mitigate air pollution effectively. This project aims to leverage these innovative technologies to develop a robust, efficient, and user-friendly air pollution monitoring system, contributing to healthier environments and improved quality of life.

1.8 Significance

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CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

This section provides a brief overview of the existing works carried out in the field of Air pollution monitoring system in IOT projects also using machine learning for prediction of the data by analyzing the past values. These researches are based on designing various IOT based projects for air pollution monitoring which have their own advantages as well as limitations. Review of these literatures is given in a summarized way.

In this research paper Xing Liu, Orlando [4] presented a comparative study on smart sensors, objects, devices, and things in Internet of Things. The authors have also explained the definition and concepts of IoT in various ways by taking different parameters of various places. Concentrations of CO, CO₂, SO₂ and NO₂, were measured using electrochemical and infrared sensors. Results are saved in the data server. The differences and similarities between the smart objects, smart things in IoT are presented in tabular form.

Marinov, Marin B. et al [3] monitors environmental parameters with amperometric sensors and gas sensors (infrared) using the PIC18F87K22 microcontroller. Sensor nodes are set up in different areas for real time monitoring of environment. The results are displayed on the city map.

Chen Xiaojun (2015) Air pollution and forecasting system designed in this paper proposed a good solution to the complexity of air pollution. The use of many sensors ensures monitoring accuracy, reduces monitoring cost, and makes monitoring data in monitoring area more systematic and perfect. According to IOT architecture, the system is mainly composed of perception layer, network layer and application layer. This system can only be installed in key monitoring locations of some key enterprises; thus, system data is unavailable to predict overall pollution situation.

David Marquez-Viloria (2016) This work presents the development and implementation of a low-cost georeferenced air pollution measurement system that offers information of particulate measurement PM₁, PM_{2.5} y PM₁₀ by scatter. In addition, the system measures the levels of ozone concentration, and atmospheric variables such as temperature, humidity, and barometric pressure. The whole system is connected to a low-cost microprocessor with integrated Wi-Fi allowing to send the data to the cloud in real-time using MQTT protocol, and thus the data can be georeferenced and published on an open access platform, used to the Internet of Things (IoT), for the acquisition and visualization of the data. This technology might be considered as expensive software. It as well requires enormous data inputs amount that are needed to be practical for some other tasks and so the more data that is to put in.

Abdullah Kadri (2013) Wireless sensor network for real-time air pollution monitoring- This

paper presents the system which consists of several distributed monitoring stations that communicate wirelessly with a back-end server using machine-to machine (M2M) communication. The back-end server collects real time data from the stations and converts it into information delivered to users through web portals and mobile applications. Always solar energy must be present and it is cost effective to develop. It must be always connected to internet

JunHo Jo (2019) proposed an IoT-based indoor air quality monitoring platform, consisting of an air quality-sensing device called “Smart-Air” and a web server, is demonstrated. This platform relies on an IoT and a cloud computing technology to monitor indoor air quality in anywhere and anytime. Smart-Air has been developed based on the IoT technology to efficiently monitor the air quality and transmit the data to a web server via LTE in real time. The device is composed of a microcontroller, pollutant detection sensors, and LTE modem. In the research, the device was designed to measure a concentration of aerosol, VOC, CO, CO₂, and temperature-humidity to monitor the air quality.

Khaled Bashir Shaban (2016) This paper presents the Air Pollution Monitoring System and its forecasting module. The causes of Air Pollution are ground level ozone (O₃), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), and Sulphur dioxide (SO₂). The system uses low-cost air quality monitoring motes that are equipped with an array of gaseous and meteorological sensors. These motes wirelessly communicate to an intelligent sensing platform that consists of several modules. The modules are responsible for receiving.

Marin B. Marinov (2016) In this paper present an approach for cost-effective measurement of relevant environmental parameters, based on a scalable sensor array with integrated amperometric and infrared gas sensors. The device has been tested in the city and the measurement was compared with the output data of the local environmental control authority stations. The preliminary results show that this approach can be used as an economical alternative to the professional grade systems. Major disadvantage is lot of connections are required and many devices are used.

Shete., R. and Agrawal S. [6] provides the framework for monitoring the city environment. Low-cost Raspberry pi is used for implanting the system. Parameters like carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, temperature and pressure are measured but no emphasis is given on particulate matter which left the environment monitoring incomplete. Mitar imic, Goran M. et al [16] presented a system for measurement and acquisition of data of water and air quality parameters and results are shown on IBM Watson IoT platform. The system is battery powered with solar panel-based charger unit.

In this research paper of IOT Based Air Pollution Monitoring System monitors the Air Quality over a webserver using internet and will trigger an alarm when the air quality goes down beyond a certain level, means when there are number of harmful gases present in the air like CO₂, smoke, alcohol, benzene, NH₃, NO_x and LPG. The system will show the air quality in PPM on

the LCD and as well as on webpage so that it can be monitored very easily. Temperature and Humidity is detected and monitored in the system.

Re et al. [14] presented an Android application which provides users with information about air quality. By joining user area information and metropolitan air quality data provided by monitoring stations, this application provides a ubiquitous and unobtrusive monitoring [15] framework that is ready to advise users about their daily air pollution exposure.

CHAPTER 3

METHODOLOGY

3.1 Significance of the components:

3.1.1 Description of PM2.5 module

Air Quality Monitoring: PM2.5 modules are used for real-time monitoring of fine particulate matter in the air, helping assess air quality and its impact on health.

Precision Sensors: These modules use precision sensors to measure and detect PM2.5 concentrations accurately.

Environmental Data: They provide valuable environmental data that can be used for research, public health, and urban planning.

3.1.2 Description of DHT11 module

Temperature and Humidity Sensor: The DHT11 module is equipped with a combined temperature and humidity sensor.

Digital Output: It provides digital output data, making it easy to interface with microcontrollers and IoT devices.

Single-Wire Communication: The DHT11 uses a single-wire communication protocol, simplifying the connection to microcontrollers.

3.1.3 Description of MQ811 module

Gas Detection: The MQ811 module is designed to detect the concentration of carbon monoxide (CO) gas in the environment.

Analog Sensor: It typically provides analog output voltage that varies with the CO gas concentration. The higher the CO concentration, the higher the analog voltage output.

Heater Element: The module includes a built-in heater element that heats the sensing element to improve its sensitivity and response time.

3.1.4 Description of DSR3231 module

High Accuracy: The DS3231 RTC module is known for its high accuracy in timekeeping, often within a few seconds per month.

Battery Backup: It typically includes a built-in battery backup that allows it to continue keeping time even when the main power source is disconnected, ensuring data integrity.

Temperature Compensation: It has a built-in temperature sensor and compensation circuitry, which helps maintain accuracy by adjusting the clock frequency based on temperature changes.

3.1.5 Description of ESP8266 module

Single-Core Microcontroller: - The ESP8266 features a single-core microcontroller based on the Tensilica Xtensa LX106 architecture. While not as powerful as dual-core alternatives, it is highly capable for a range of IoT applications.

Integrated Wi-Fi Connectivity: - The primary feature is its built-in Wi-Fi module, allowing IoT devices to connect to local networks and the internet. Enables wireless communication and data exchange between devices.

Low Cost and Compact Size: -The ESP8266 is known for its affordability, making it suitable for cost-sensitive projects and prototypes. Compact size makes it ideal for space-constrained applications.

3.1.6 Description of 2.4-inch SPI-TFT Display

Interface: SPI (Serial Peripheral Interface) TFT displays use a high-speed serial communication protocol, allowing for efficient data transfer between the microcontroller and the display.

Compact Design: These displays are typically compact, making them suitable for projects where space is a constraint, such as wearable devices or compact embedded systems.

Colour and Resolution: SPI TFT displays offer vibrant colours and various resolutions, providing clear and detailed visuals for a range of applications, from simple graphics to complex user interfaces.

3.2 *Integration of Components*

3.2.1 Data Collection and Transmission

Sensor Data Acquisition: Sensors like DHT11, MQ811, and PM2.5 collect real-time data on temperature, humidity, gas concentrations, and particulate matter.

Microcontroller Processing: Arduino Uno processes sensor data, timestamping it using the DS3231 RTC module.

Wireless Communication: The ESP8266 module transmits data via Wi-Fi to a cloud server, typically in JSON format, ensuring structured data storage.

3.2.2 Data Storage and Preprocessing

Cloud Storage: Data is stored on cloud platforms such as AWS IoT, Google Cloud IoT, or custom servers for easy access and scalability.

Data Cleaning: Preprocessing includes removing outliers, filtering noise, and handling missing or erroneous data to ensure data quality.

Normalization and Scaling: Data is normalized and scaled to a consistent range, facilitating meaningful comparisons across different sensors, and improving model performance.

3.3 *ML Integration with IoT: Prediction Methodology:*

3.3.1 Model Training

- 1) Feature Extraction: Relevant features are extracted from the preprocessed data, such as average temperature, humidity trends, and peak gas concentrations.
- 2) Training Data Preparation: Historical data is split into training and validation sets to develop robust predictive models.
- 3) Model Selection: Machine learning algorithms such as Linear Regression, Decision Trees, and Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks are selected based on their suitability for time-series forecasting and anomaly detection.

3.3.2 Model Implementation and Prediction

- 1) Training: Models are trained using libraries like Scikit-learn, TensorFlow, or PyTorch, optimizing parameters to minimize prediction errors.
- 2) Deployment: Trained models are deployed on cloud platforms or edge devices to perform real-time predictions.
- 3) Prediction: Deployed models analyze incoming sensor data to forecast future air quality levels, identifying potential pollution events or trends.

3.3.3 Continuous Learning and Adaptation

- 1) Model Evaluation: Performance is continuously monitored by comparing predictions with actual measurements, using metrics such as Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE).
- 2) Model Update: Models are periodically retrained with new data to adapt to changing environmental conditions, ensuring ongoing accuracy and reliability.
- 3) Anomaly Detection: The system flags anomalies or unexpected patterns in air quality, enabling timely interventions and alerts.

3.3.4 Data Visualization and Insights

- 1) Local Display: Real-time data visualization on LCD or OLED screens for immediate on-site monitoring.
- 2) Cloud Dashboard: Web-based dashboards or mobile applications display real-time and historical data trends, using tools like ThingSpeak or Grafana to provide comprehensive insights and alerts.

3.4 Models

3.4.1 Linear Regression

Overview:

Linear regression is a simple yet powerful statistical method used for predictive modeling. It establishes a linear relationship between a dependent variable (target) and one or more independent variables (features).

Training:

The goal is to minimize the sum of squared errors (SSE) between the predicted values and the actual values. This is achieved using techniques like Ordinary Least Squares (OLS).

Pros:

- Simple to implement and interpret.
- Computationally efficient.
- Effective for linear relationships.

Cons:

- Assumes linearity, which may not capture complex patterns.
- Sensitive to outliers.
- Assumes independence and homoscedasticity (constant variance of errors).

Use in IoT Prediction:

Linear regression can be used to predict air quality metrics (e.g., PM2.5 levels) based on features like temperature, humidity, and gas concentrations.).

3.4.2 Decision Tree Regression

Overview: A decision tree is a non-linear model that splits the data into subsets based on the value of input features. It creates a tree-like structure where each node represents a decision rule and each leaf represents a predicted value.

Algorithm:

- 1) **Splitting:** The data is recursively split into subsets based on feature values that result in the highest information gain or the lowest mean squared error (MSE).

- 2) **Stopping Criteria:** The recursion stops when a node has a minimum number of samples, a maximum depth is reached, or further splitting does not improve the model.

Pros:

- Can handle non-linear relationships.
- Easy to visualize and interpret.
- Requires little data preprocessing (e.g., no need for feature scaling).

Cons:

- Prone to overfitting, especially with deep trees.
- Sensitive to small variations in the data.
- Can be biased towards features with many levels.

Use in IoT Prediction: Decision trees can model complex relationships between sensor readings and air quality metrics, providing interpretable rules for how different conditions affect air quality.

3.4.3 Random Forest Regression

Overview: Random Forest is an ensemble learning method that constructs multiple decision trees during training and merges their predictions. This approach reduces the risk of overfitting and improves generalization.

Algorithm:

- 1) **Bagging:** Multiple bootstrap samples (random subsets) are drawn from the training data.
- 2) **Tree Construction:** For each sample, a decision tree is constructed. Each node considers a random subset of features for splitting.
- 3) **Aggregation:** Predictions from all trees are averaged for regression tasks.

Pros:

- Reduces overfitting compared to individual decision trees.
- Can handle large datasets and high-dimensional data.
- Robust to outliers and noise.

Cons:

- Less interpretable than single decision trees.

- Computationally intensive.
- Can be slow to predict for large forests.

Use in IoT Prediction: Random Forest can model complex dependencies and interactions between multiple sensor readings, providing robust predictions for air quality metrics.

CHAPTER 4

RESULT ANALYSIS

4.1 Integration of Components

4.1.1 System Design overview

The air pollution monitoring system integrates sensors, microcontrollers, wireless communication modules, and machine learning to collect, transmit, analyze, and display real-time air quality data. Key components include:

- 1) **Sensors:** DHT11 (temperature and humidity), MQ811 (gas detection), PM2.5 (particulate matter measurement).
- 2) **Microcontroller:** Arduino Uno for data acquisition and processing.
- 3) **Modules:** ESP8266 for wireless communication, DS3231 RTC for time-stamping data.
- 4) **Display:** LCD or OLED screen for local visualization.
- 5) **Machine Learning:** Algorithms for data analysis and prediction.

4.1.2 Sensor Integration

- 1) **DHT11 Sensor:** Measures temperature and humidity, connected to the Arduino's digital I/O pins (e.g., D2) with 5V power and ground.
- 2) **PM2.5 Sensor:** Measures particulate matter concentration, connected to an analog input pin on the Arduino (e.g., A1).
- 3) **MQ811 Sensor:** Detects gases like CO₂, connected to an analog input pin on the Arduino (e.g., A0), requiring calibration for accuracy.

4.1.3 Microcontroller and Module Setup

- 1) **Arduino Uno:** Central processing unit, programmed using the Arduino IDE with libraries for each sensor. Connections are established with a buck converter and proper grounding.
- 2) **DS3231 RTC Module:** Provides accurate timestamps via the I2C interface (SDA and SCL pins).
- 3) **ESP8266 Module:** Enables wireless data transmission via serial communication (TX and RX pins) to a cloud server or platform.

4.2 Integration of Hardware and Software

4.2.1 Data Transmission and Cloud Storage

Wireless Communication: ESP8266 connects to a local Wi-Fi network to transmit data, formatted in JSON with fields for temperature, humidity, gas concentration, PM2.5 levels, and timestamps, to a cloud service like AWS IoT or Google Cloud IoT.

4.2.2 Data Visualization and Analysis

- 1) **Local Display:** An LCD or OLED screen connected to the Arduino displays real-time data for immediate on-site monitoring.
- 2) **Cloud Dashboard:** A web-based dashboard or mobile application visualizes real-time and historical data using tools like ThingSpeak, Grafana, or custom web applications.

4.2.3 Machine Learning and Integration

- 1) **Data Analysis:** Historical data in the cloud trains machine learning models using techniques like regression analysis, time-series forecasting, and anomaly detection to predict air quality levels.
- 2) **Model Training:** Involves data preprocessing (cleaning, normalization, feature extraction) and training models like Linear Regression, Decision Trees, or LSTM networks using libraries like Scikit-learn, TensorFlow, or PyTorch.
- 3) **Prediction and Accuracy:** Trained models are deployed on the cloud or edge devices for real-time predictions, with continuous learning and updates to adapt to new data.

4.2.4 System Testing and Calibration

- 1) **Calibration:** Sensors are calibrated in controlled environments, adjusting sensitivity for accurate readings.
- 2) **Testing:** The system is tested in various environmental conditions for data consistency, sensor accuracy, wireless transmission reliability, and prediction performance.

4.2.5 Deployment and Maintenance

- 1) **Deployment:** Optimal sensor placement is ensured for representative air quality monitoring.
- 2) **Maintenance:** Regular maintenance includes sensor recalibration, firmware updates, and hardware inspections for long-term reliability and accuracy.

4.2.6 Data Preprocessing

- 1) **Outlier Removal and Noise Filtering:** Processes sensor data to remove outliers and filter noise.

- 2) **Error-Checking Routines:** Implemented to handle occasional sensor glitches or missing data.
- 3) **Normalization and Scaling:** Sensor readings are normalized and scaled to a consistent scale for better comparability and meaningful contributions to the overall air quality assessment.

4.3 Conclusion

By integrating IoT devices with machine learning, this air pollution monitoring system provides a comprehensive, scalable, and cost-effective solution for real-time air quality monitoring and prediction. The system combines sensor technology, wireless communication, data analysis, and predictive modeling to deliver actionable insights, contributing to better environmental management and public health.

CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE OF WORK

5.1 Conclusion

While existing IoT-based air pollution monitoring models face challenges related to sensor accuracy, sensitivity to environmental conditions, data transmission issues, cost-effectiveness, scalability, and the limitations of machine learning models, our proposed system addresses these drawbacks effectively. Our solution offers portability through a compact PCB layout, enabling users to easily transport the device for monitoring in different locations. Real-time analysis capabilities ensure that users have prompt access to up-to-date air quality data across various pollutants. By implementing enhanced algorithms and leveraging advanced machine learning techniques, our system can analyze large datasets more efficiently, improving the accuracy and efficiency of pollution monitoring. Additionally, the use of local data for training machine learning models increases predictive accuracy, making our system a more reliable and practical tool for real-time air quality monitoring and prediction.

5.2 Future Scope of Work

The future of air pollution monitoring systems leveraging IoT devices and machine learning holds immense potential for advancements in accuracy, scalability, and actionable insights. Below are some promising directions and developments anticipated in this field:

1. Enhanced sensor Technology and integration:
 - Nanotechnology: Incorporation of nanomaterials can enhance the sensitivity and selectivity of sensors, allowing for more precise detection of pollutants.
 - Multi-Parameter Sensors: Integration of multiple sensing capabilities into a single device to monitor a broader range of pollutants simultaneously.
2. Advanced data analytics and Machine Learning:
 - Real-Time Data Processing: Edge computing will allow real-time data processing on the sensor itself, reducing latency and enabling faster response times.
 - Advanced Machine Learning Models: Utilization of more sophisticated algorithms such as deep learning, reinforcement learning, and federated learning to improve predictive accuracy and adapt to new pollution patterns.

3. Public engagement and accessibility:

- User-Friendly Interfaces: Developing intuitive mobile apps and web platforms that make air quality data accessible to the general public.
- Educational Programs: Implementing educational initiatives to inform communities about air pollution and its health impacts, encouraging proactive behaviour changes.

4. Integration with health monitoring system:

- Personal Health Tracking: Correlating air quality data with personal health data from wearable devices to assess the impact of air pollution on individual health.
- Epidemiological Studies: Using detailed air quality data to support large-scale health studies and better understand the long-term health effects of pollution.

5. Integration with other environmental and monitoring system:

- Cross-Disciplinary Data Integration: Combining air quality data with other environmental data (e.g., weather, traffic, industrial activity) to gain comprehensive insights into pollution sources and effects.
- Smart City Initiatives: Integrating air quality monitoring with broader smart city infrastructure to manage urban environments more effectively and sustainably.

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