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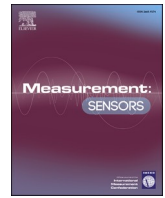
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ABSTRACT

The Internet of Things (IoT) foresees pervasive and connected smart nodes that interact independently while offering varied services. Today, IoT nodes are a treasure house of data and hence security has become a major concern in IoT networks. Conventional cryptography faces many challenges during implementation in IoT devices. These challenges can be tackled by lightweight cryptography which is highly secure with less resource requirements. The vital characteristic of security is fulfilled by one out of 6 inner structures such as Substitution-Permutation Network, Feistel Network, General Feistel Network, Add-Rotate-XOR, Non Linear-Feedback Shift Register and Hybrid. PRESENT, which is a NIST approved lightweight cryptographic algorithm with SPN structure uses fixed or static S-Box. This permits attackers to explore S-Box and identify weaknesses of the algorithm. Key dependent approaches are better because it impedes an attacker from any offline analyses of attacks on the S-Box. Additionally, this is susceptible to linear and differential attacks. The static S Box does not possess superior diffusion and does not have a good rate of avalanche effect. So, the solution is to create a robust dynamic key dependent algorithm with nonlinear S-Boxes to secure the communication between IoT devices and platform. Security analysis is done on Non-linearity, Differential and Linear Cryptanalysis and Avalanche characteristics, besides, encryption of IoT data to demonstrate its aptness for cold chain security applications.

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1. Introduction

Privacy and Information security is a rampant problem nowadays. Internet of Things consists of devices connected over a network in order to exchange data. As the number of connected devices increases, issues like confidentiality, integrity and data authenticity become major challenges. Hence, network security and data encryption have assumed great relevance today.

Cryptography is the process of data encryption-decryption that removes major challenges in Internet of Things network. Majority of the traditional cryptographic algorithms like Data Encryption Standard, Advanced Encryption Standard used today are developed for desktop and server contexts, making these unsuitable for small devices. The primary challenges in implementing conventional cryptography are: Low battery power (or no battery), fragile computational power, little physical space, limited memory (registers, RAM, ROM), and real-time reaction. Lightweight cryptography emphasizes on aspects like limited memory, low processing power, less power consumption, and real-time

response while considering devices with limited resources. Therefore, lightweight encryption algorithms that provide fast and reliable encryption systems for resource constrained devices are considered [1]. Algorithms, designed and implemented according to memory footprint, execution time, security level and resource utilization form a particular set of algorithms called lightweight cryptography algorithms [2]. Furthermore, lightweight cryptography is applicable both to resource-constrained devices and resource-rich devices that it interacts with, like servers and smartphones. The physical cost and performance traits are met by the lightweight encryption algorithms through simplistic round functions on ≤ 64 bit using ≤ 80 bit key with easy scheduling.

The final characteristic of security is satisfied by utilizing any of 6 internal structures like Substitution-Permutation, Feistel or General Feistel Network, Add-Rotate-XOR, Non Linear-Feedback Shift Register or Hybrid for immunity against any security attack. Block ciphers and stream ciphers are 2 types of ciphers in plain text format wherein the former is encrypted into a block of bits and the latter is encrypted into

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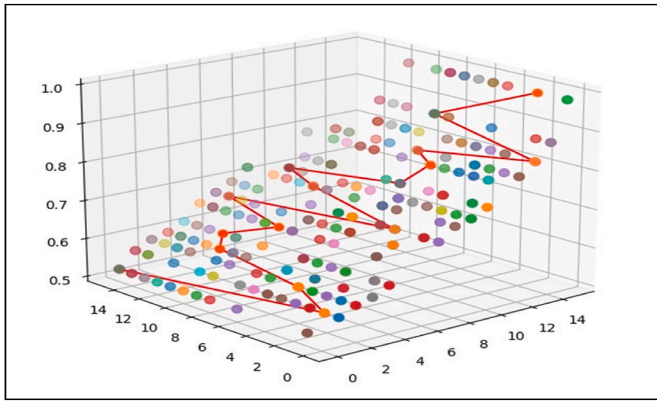


Fig. 1. 3D Non-Linear Representation of 16×16 SBox Generated with Chaotic Logistic map.

cipher symbol values. Data confidentially relates to encryption of digital data [3]. Modern block ciphers, like Advanced Encryption Standard and PRESENT are grounded on the Shannon principle of confusion and diffusion. The non-linear auxiliary table S-Box serves as the confusion component. The fixed or static S-Box enables the attacker to explore S-Box and identify its weaknesses. In this paper, an algorithm for the generation of robust S-Box is proposed that utilises another confusion technique while maintaining acceptable security with less overheads of memory and processing cost. Further, this can help develop a novel lightweight dynamic key dependent algorithm to secure the communication between IoT devices and platform for cold chain applications.

Logistic constraints, inaccessible warehouses, and closed consumer outlets, during COVID-19 pandemic, have badly affected supply chains especially in small scale cold chain sectors. This renders the need for simple and small-scale technological solutions that could monitor, manage, secure, and facilitate decision-making for reducing losses. The solution must be capable of utilizing IoTs in the pervasive smart phones that most small businesses in the unorganized sector possess. It must be able to integrate the power of cloud storage with the data handling capacity of hand-held devices via the Internet as the backbone, in a feasible manner. Thus, securing data becomes an essential requirement in such situations, and so simple security algorithms must be a part of the solution to be provided. Further, for data collection during transit, smart containers with sensors must be made an integral part of the system. Small business firms could then monitor, track, and receive notifications about their goods as they move along the cold chain.

The primary contribution of this research paper is:

1. Proposing algorithm for the generation of a robust 16×16 S-Boxes using Chaotic Logistic Map.

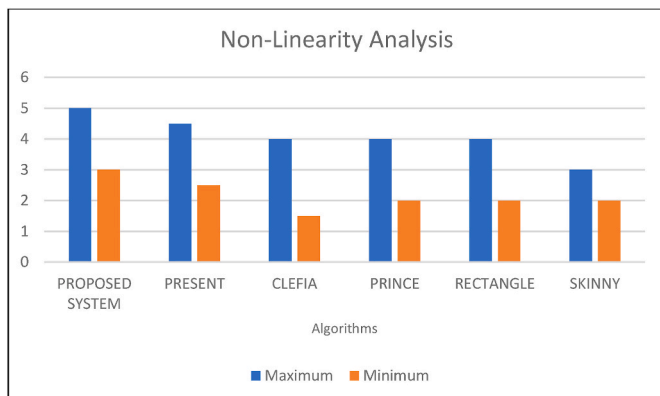


Fig. 2. Non-linearity analysis of SPN structure lightweight algorithms.

2. Developing a newly defined technique for generating Dynamic key dependent S-Box.
3. Analysing S-Boxes through performance parameters like Non-linearity, Differential & linear approximation probability and avalanche characteristics.

Section 2 deals with the relevant work regarding cryptographic algorithms and its limitations. Section 3 explains the recommended S-Box design for security enhancement of IoT system. Section 4 elucidates about performance analyses of recommended S-Box and Section 5, concludes with its future aspects.

2. Related work

A network of physically connected objects, appliances, and gadgets that have sensors, software, and connectivity is known as the “Internet of Things.”. These gather and exchange internet data, enabling interaction with their environment and with each other. IoT works on four different components like devices, gateways, cloud service and applications [4]. These work together for enabling collection, communication, processing, and analysis of data in IoT systems. The basic components, architecture and enabling technologies of IoT are discussed herewith.

Three-layer architecture is the basic layered architecture for IoT, comprising [5] of Perception layer, Network layer and Application layer. This helps in modularizing and organizing the IoT system, by making it more manageable, scalable, and flexible. It also facilitates the development of interoperable and reusable components, to enable faster deployment of IoT solutions and promote ecosystem growth. IoT has varied applications across several industries. The essential features of Internet of Things (IoT) [6] in varied applications across several industries has been discussed. IoT’s Technological components, can enhance the small-scale cold chain’s efficiency, reduce risks, and ensure product quality throughout the supply chain.

Cryptography is a fundamental component of securing data and communications. This entails the conversion of plaintext (original data) into ciphertext (encrypted data) and vice versa using mathematical algorithms and methods. Several types of cryptography [7], serve different purposes and offering varying levels of security. Though the benefits are many when it comes to securing data and communications, this also brings with it certain limitations [8]. A lightweight scheme based on the Addition substitution and XOR is proposed for e-healthcare system security [9]. Many block cipher and stream cipher related lightweight algorithms are hereby proposed and evaluated [10].

Symmetric and asymmetric cryptosystems are two different categories of cryptosystems. Symmetric cryptosystem is further classified into 2 types - Block cipher and Stream cipher. Symmetric block ciphers are prevalent and easy to implement due to their operations like substitution, permutation, key addition and mixing which provide cryptographic strength [11]. Block ciphers are further divided into six internal structures, of which substitution permutation network can tweak data through substitution box and permutation table. AES is [12] a widely accepted symmetric encryption algorithm. However, it is not desirable for resource constrained devices as it requires large memory space and high power for computation.

There are many lightweight algorithms based on substitution and permutation network. Based on SPN structure, the present [13] employs a 64-bit block with 80-bit and 128-bit key versions. PRESENT has round key generation layer, substitution layer and permutation layer. It has a 4-bit fixed or static S-Box which enables attack on a single set of S-Box. RECTANGLE [14] is a lightweight block cipher with the operations like AddRoundKey, Substitution Column and Shift row. The total number of rounds are reduced to 25. GIFT [15] is simple with faster key scheduling algorithms. Two versions of GIFT are: 28 rounds of GIFT-64 using 64-bit blocks, and 40 rounds of GIFT-128 with 128-bit blocks. A SPN NETWORK called PRINCE [16] performs 64-bit input while using

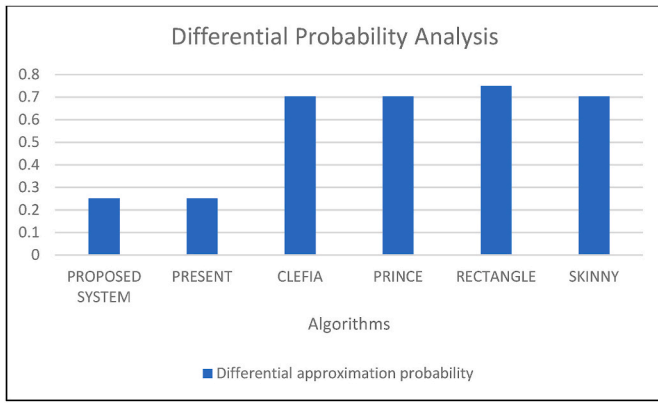


Fig. 3. Differential approximation probability analysis.

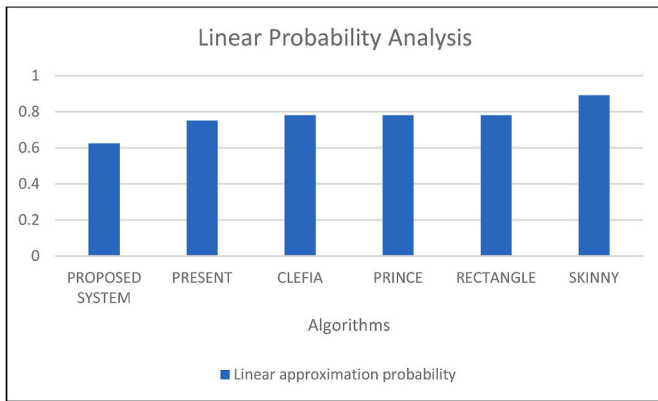


Fig. 4. Linear approximation probability analysis.

128-bit key. PRIDE [17] has 20 rounds with the introduction of linear layer which makes PRIDE more efficient. The inherent limitations of static S-Box used in Lightweight cryptography algorithms are elucidated [18]. Hence, most lightweight cryptographic algorithms use fixed or static S-Box which permit attackers to find the weak points within the algorithm.

There are many mathematical methodologies for the generation and creation of S-Box. Pratibha, A. [19], emphasized the importance of lightweight secure S-Box architectures for the IoT devices. Wu, et al. [20] uses the methodology of Latin square to generate S-Box. Farwa S recommended S-Box based on a fractional linear transformation for image encryption [21]. But many of these lack perfect cryptographic properties. Patidar, V. et al. [22] used chaotic logistic map to generate pseudorandom numbers. For image encryption, J. Ferdush et al. [23]

suggested a standard architecture and technique based on Arnold and logistic chaotic maps. For Advanced Encryption Standards, Rahman, Z. et al. [24] used the chaotic and logistic Map-Based Key Generation Technique. Masood, F. et al. [25] suggested using Chen’s chaotic system, Brownian motion, and the Henon chaotic map for encrypting medical images. So, chaotic logistic map has perfect cryptographic properties to generate a non-linear pseudorandom number. Shah T. et al. [26] analysed the power of S-Box through the manipulation of balance property, nonlinearity, both differential & linear approximation probability, and stringent avalanche criterion. Panchami, V. et al. [27] analysed parameters of S-Box of various Lightweight cryptographic algorithms. Jinhai Chen [28] has done an analysis of software and hardware performances of lightweight 8-bit S-Boxes. Panahi, P. et al. [29] discussed the specific encryption performance parameters of lightweight cryptographic algorithms. M. Matsui [30], Wang, Y. [31], used the parameters like non-linearity, linear cryptanalysis for measuring the performance of S-Boxes.

From the literature review, we could conclude that key dependent approaches are better because these impede an attacker from any offline analyses of an attack on a set of S-Box. Hence, we hereby propose a newly defined technique to generate dynamic key dependent S-Boxes.

3. Proposed system

This section details the method to generate a 16×16 proposed S-Box by utilizing chaotic logistic map. The main algorithm is elucidated in Section.3.1. The mode of selecting the Dynamic S-Boxes is described in Section. 3.2.

3.1. S-BOX generation

Logistic map a famous one-dimensional chaotic map, is iterated under specified conditions for generating this S-Box. The algorithm for generating S-Box is shown below. In mathematics, the definition is:

$$x_{n+1} = rx_n(1 - x_n)$$

where $0 < r \leq 4$ $x_n \in (0, 1]$. No matter what the value of x_0 is, x_n will decrease when r is given values between (0,1). Choose the initial values, $0 < r \leq 4$ ($r = 3.99$), $x_0 \in (0, 1)$. A combined chaotic map is iterated to produce chaotic sequences. The data range of chaotic sequences might increase their randomness and diversity due to the uniform distribution in the [0,1] interval. Chaotic Logistic map helps to generate a non-linear S-Box.

Algorithm. for 16×16 S-Box Generation

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Algorithm for 16 * 16 S-Box Generation
Start
1. Let x=0
2. Let u = 3.99, d = a random number between [0,1]
3. Let ary [] = []
4. While x<16
    a. d = u*d*(1-d)
    b. r = rounded value of (d*16) %16
    c. If r is not in ary
        i. Append r to ary
    d. X = x+1
5. End Loop
Stop
    
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3.2. Dynamic S-Box Selection

The selection of an SBox for each round of algorithm is based on a dynamic basis. This is performed in PRESENT algorithm, where round key generation is the same, though the S-Box for each round is different. The algorithm is described below:

Algorithm. for Dynamic S-Box Selection

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Start
1. Master Key, K =K79, K78...K0
2. Import key, rounds, Sbox_temp, Sbox_n, Sbox from main function
3. i = 1
4. While i<rounds+1
 a. Right shift key by 16 and append it to round keys
 [Round keys are Ki=K63, K62...K0=K79,K78...K16]
 b. Let k be the last round key
 c. Let x=0, i=0
 d. Extract 8,16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, 64 bits and store it in x as a 4-bit number that has bit 0 = (8th XOR 16th),
 bit 1 = (24th XOR 32nd), bit 2 = (40th XOR 48th), bit 3 = (56th XOR 64th)
 e. Store Sbox[x] in Sbox_temp
 f. Append Sbox_temp to Sbox_n
 g. For each round the key register is updated thus:
 i. [K79K78...K1K0] = [K18K17...K20K19]
 ii. [K79K78K77K76] = S[K79K78K77K76]
 iii. [K19K18K17K16K15] = [K19K18K17K16K15] ⊕ round_counter
5. End Loop
6. Output round keys to main function
Stop

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### 4. Performance analysis

Since fixed or static S-Box of PRESENT algorithm permits attackers to investigate S-Box and identify weaknesses of the algorithm, a non-linear S-Box is generated using Logistic Chaotic Map. Nonlinearity, Strict Avalanche Effect, Differential and Linear Approximation Probability are all taken into consideration during the analysis.

#### 4.1. Non-linearity

Let Boolean function f be a bent function on  $F_2^4$  then function f has maximum Nonlinearity [26] achieved when n is even:

$$N_f(\max) = 2^{n-1} - 2^{n/2-1}$$

This shows that maximum non linearity achieved by these S-Boxes in  $GF(2^4)$  is 6. Maximum non linearity of Dynamic S-Box obtained is 5. The 3D representation of  $16 \times 16$  S-Box generated using Chaotic Logistic Map is in Fig. 1. Each S-Box contains 16 integer values where a line is plotted for a single S-Box value. Since it is perfectly non-linear, points are not giving a straight line wherein relationship between the points is non-linear.

Fig. 2 shows the non-linearity analysis of SPN structure lightweight algorithms. It is evident from Fig. 2 that our suggested S-Box has a

maximum Nonlinearity of 5. To withstand linear cryptanalysis, its nonlinearity must be sufficiently high. The investigation reveals that our suggested S-Box offers a maximum nonlinearity of 5, which is higher than that of any other lightweight S-Box. The recommended S-Box has a minimum nonlinearity of 3, which is lesser for all other lightweight S-Boxes.

#### 4.2. Differential approximation probability

Differential approximation probability of an S-Box [26,27] is measure for Differential Uniformity:

$$DP(\Delta x \rightarrow \Delta y) = \frac{\#\left\{x \in \frac{X}{S(x)} \oplus S(x \oplus \Delta x) = \Delta y\right\}}{2^n}$$

Where  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$  are input and output differentials for all the possible

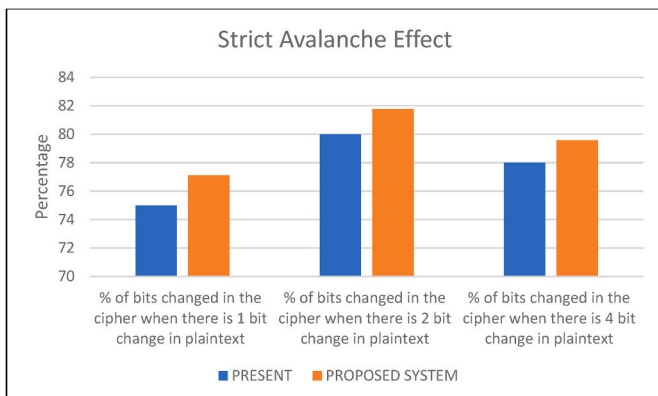


Fig. 5. Strict Avalanche Effect w. r.t Plain text to Cipher Text.

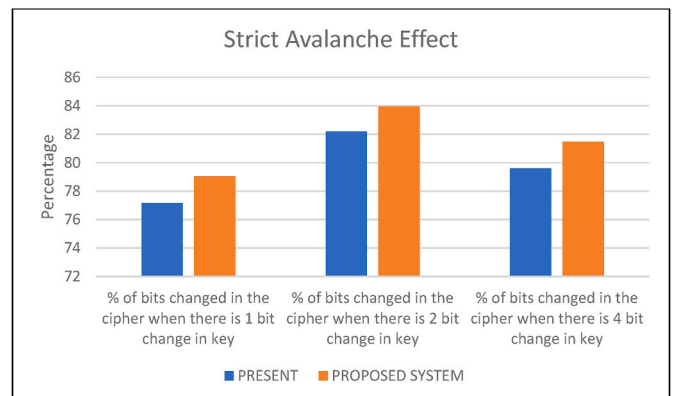


Fig. 6. Strict Avalanche Effect w. r.t Key to Cipher Text.

inputs  $2^n$

Differential uniformity, also known as differential delta uniformity, is the greatest value in the Differential distribution table. The ideal differential bound (highest differential in each S-Box) is differential probability = 0.25 for  $4 \times 4$  S-Boxes. In Fig. 3, the results of the application of input and output differentials to the most likely output XOR of the suggested S-Box are shown. Matrix maximum is  $4/16 = 0.25$ , demonstrating the great resilience of the suggested S-Box to support this differential technique.

#### 4.3. Linear approximation probability

The highest degree of an event's dissimilarity is represented by this Linear Approximation Probability (LP) [27]:

$$LP = \max \left| \frac{\#\{x/\Gamma_x = S(x).\Gamma_y\}}{2^n} - \frac{1}{2} \right|$$

Where  $\Gamma_x$  is input mask;  $\Gamma_y$  output mask and  $x$  input vector of all possible inputs  $2^n$

The S-Box's nonlinear property will be stronger the less the chance of linear approximation. Fig. 4 Demonstrates that this S-Box's LP value is lower than values for other S-Boxes, allowing for stronger resistance to linear cryptanalysis.

#### 4.4. Strict avalanche effect

Strict avalanche criterion (SAC) was first advocated in 1986 by Webster and Tavares [26]. Fig. 5 shows the Strict Avalanche Effect w. r.t Plain text to Cipher Text. More than 77 % output probability bit changes, when there is a one bit, two bit and four-bit change in plaintext.

Fig. 6 shows the Strict Avalanche Effect w. r.t Key to Cipher Text. More than 78 % output probability bit changes, when there is a one bit, two bit and four-bit change in key.

### 5. Conclusion

This paper hereby proposes the dynamic S-Box generation mode based on chaotic maps. Then we introduce selection of S-Box for each round using the round key, which evolves S-Box towards optimal direction. Through experimentation and comparison, with earlier works, the conclusion is that this S-Box has strong nonlinearity, both differential & linear approximation probability, and strict avalanche effect. Hence this can resist any linear or differential attack. Besides, S-Box can be applied on IoT data for cold chain packaging and other fields. The proposed system can help in encryption and decryption of IoT Data for cold chain applications.

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The authors declare that they have no known competing financial interests or personal relationships that could have appeared to influence the work reported in this paper.

#### Data availability

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# An integrated IoT Architecture to Monitor Food Quality along the Supply Chain

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## Abstract

*Drop in nutrition value during food logistics impacts the health of consumers. Vegetables, fruits, fish, milk lose nutrients during logistics if it is not properly monitored. Real-time tracking and monitoring, large data handling and secure business transactions are key to the effective operation of supply chains. The COVID-19 pandemic has taught us the need for handling unforeseen situations in various sectors. Limitations to logistic operations, inaccessible warehouses, shutdown of consumer outlets for an unexpected duration, have affected the supply chain drastically. This has laid emphasis on the need for technology-based solutions that can monitor, control and make quick decisions, that can reduce losses. With this scenario as a background, a system architecture has been proposed to detect the nutrient value of food by periodically monitoring temperature and humidity in real-time and alerting the cold chain entities in cold chain environments. This architecture is proposed as an integration of Internet of Things (IoT) with cloud-based storage, to provide real-time data collection at the end-user, seamless storage and computation in the cloud and secure transactions at the business layer. An experimental setup of the system architecture has been configured and the implementation has been tested at a preliminary level. The performance of the application is analyzed and the proposed web application is efficient for large scale supply chain applications, provided scaling of hardware resources.*

**Keywords:** *Supply chain management, nutrients, cold chain, internet of things, cloud, security*

## Introduction

Nutrients help to make energy, growth of all organisms, growth of brain and body parts. The food we eat is a major source of nutrients. Rapid spreading of COVID-19

and the post health issues shows the importance of eating food having high nutrition. Balanced diet includes vitamins, proteins, minerals, fats etc. and physical activity which is very essential to keep body healthy. Balanced diet is one which

includes all nutrients required for the body in right quantity on regular intervals. Nutrient content of the food is at most important to keep us healthy and protect from diseases. Eating more food than required for the body creates more calories that eventually convert into fat and weight gain. Also eating too less creates weight loss. Vegetables, fish, meat, milk, egg, fruits give nutrients required for the body. Nutrient content in food can be preserved by freezing, dehydration and pasteurization. Cooking methods like microwave, steaming is nutrient friendly. It is important to monitor the nutrient contents of food items in farming, transportation, distribution units. Supply Chain Management plays a key role to detect the nutrient contents starting from farm units to end user. The temperature controlled supply chain system, referred to as the *Cold Chain*, is the current trend and its application areas include frozen products like ice-creams, seafood, poultry, chilled products like vegetables, fruits and pharmaceuticals products like vaccines. Cold chain industry still lacks end-to-end visibility and cross-functional collaboration.

In this paper, an architecture for the cold chain that will periodically monitor temperature and humidity in real-time is proposed and notify the cold chain entities to changes in the food's nutritional value. A prototype of the system has been developed to demonstrate the architecture.

The paper is structured as follows: Section II briefs the importance of nutrient

contents in food, survey of Supply Chain Management literature and the technology gaps in Supply Chain Management which open up the scope for research and development. The proposed integrated system architecture for cold chain is introduced in Section III followed by the prototype implementation in Section IV. Section V describes the performance analysis and the paper concludes with pointers to future prospects.

### ***Proposed integrated system architecture for Cold Chain - SiC-chain***

In this section, an integrated system architecture to solve the challenges in monitoring the nutrients and alarming the cold chain entities is proposed with its key features. The proposed architecture harnesses the power of the existing matured technologies (namely Internet of Things and Cloud) and security features in order to monitor the cold chain eco-system, a state-of-the-art system, which can overcome the challenges in monitoring the nutrient parameters in cold chain systems.

#### ***Key features of the proposed architecture***

##### ***Preservation of nutrients using Internet of Things***

This feature enables to monitor the nutrient parameters in real time and alarm the cold chain entities. With real-time tracking, Internet of Things devices can automatically flag shipments, alert Supply Chain Management entities and help to maintain the nutrient content of the food.

### Securing the nutrient values

Nutrient parameters collected using Internet of Things devices are important to be secured in transit. Food nutrient is most critical for humans, so security of nutrient values in transit is important. To secure the nutrient parameters and communication, certificate and token-based authentication along with Transport Layer Security for Internet of Things devices is enabled within supply chain entities.

### Storage of nutrient parameters

In a cloud environment, storage and computing are no more a burden to the supply chain nodes. Using cloud services nutrient parameters are always accessible for Supply Chain Management entities which is important for Supply Chain Management entities to take decision.

This architecture is proposed as an integration of Secure - Internet of Things and Cloud for the cold chain environment and therefore named as *SiC-chain*.

## A. Architecture

The SiC-chain architecture consists of four layers: (i) SiC-chain Sensing layer (ii) SiC-chain Networking Layer (iii) SiC-chain Data Processing Layer (iv) SiC-chain Application Layer as described in Figure 1.

### (i) SiC-chain Sensing layer

This layer uses sensors for monitoring the parameters of food. In cold chain entities, data sensing and collection tasks

in real-time are carried out by the devices in sensing layer. The Internet of Things devices are trusted as each device in Supply Chain Management is authorized by the Device Type and unique Device ID.

### (ii) SiC-chain Networking layer

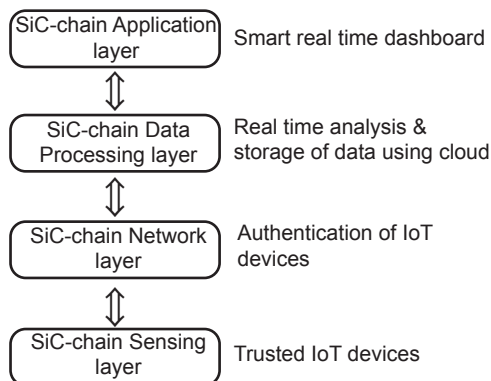
This layer transmits the nutrient parameters collected in real time from the *SiC-chain* sensing layer to next higher layer – the *SiC-chain* data processing layer. The Internet of Things devices are authenticated by auto-generated authentication token.

### SiC-chain data processing layer

This layer constitutes the cloud-based web services for cold chain environment. It is responsible for storage of parameters so that cold chain entities can see the nutrient values and it is accessible anytime.

### SiC-chain application layer

In our architecture, this layer shares necessary interfaces like a smart real-



**Figure 1**  
**Proposed SiC-chain layered architecture**

time dashboard. This layer includes an intelligent platform or dashboard for real-time monitoring of nutrient parameters.

**B. Layers and technological elements of SiC-chain**

Supply chain activities can be automated using the integrated architecture, *SiC-chain*. The mapping of layers and technological elements in the proposed architecture at the entities of the cold chain, is described below:

***Mapping of SiC-chain sensing layer into Supply Chain Management***

The real-time data from Internet of Things devices like temperature, humidity, moisture and bacteria sensors can be used to monitor the environmental factors and thereby maintaining the quality of the food materials. These sensors in conjunction with the Global Positioning System module track the location, and protect Supply

Chain Management system from external intervention. Table I lists sample Internet of Things devices that can deploy to detect the parameters in the supply chain.

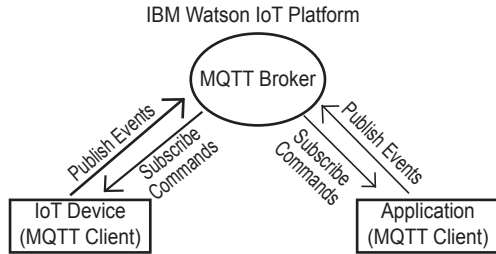
***Mapping of SiC-chain Networking layer into Supply Chain Management***

The *SiC-chain* networking layer consists of hardware, software and messaging protocols. The real-time payload from the Internet of Things devices say, nutrient parameters is passed to the *SiC-chain* data processing layer through the messaging protocol Message Queuing Telemetry Transport over WiFi via the Network layer. Here in Supply Chain Management, each device has a unique device ID and once the device is authenticated, the real-time data is passed to the cloud-based web services. The message flow of Message Queuing Telemetry Transport protocol is shown in the Figure 2.

**TABLE I**

**Sample Sensors for Preserving the Nutrients on *SiC-chain***

| Supplier                                                                                                                                                                                           | Manufacturer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Wholesaler                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Retailer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Consumer                                                                                              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Temperature sensor</li> <li>● Humidity sensor</li> <li>● Moisture sensor</li> <li>● Bacteria sensor</li> <li>● RFID tags</li> <li>● GPS module</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Temperature sensor</li> <li>● Humidity sensor</li> <li>● Light intensity sensor</li> <li>● Proximity sensor</li> <li>● pH sensor</li> <li>● Load sensor</li> <li>● Bacteria sensor</li> <li>● RFID tags</li> <li>● GPS module</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Gas sensor</li> <li>● Smoke sensor</li> <li>● Electrochemical sensor</li> <li>● Colorimetric freshness sensor</li> <li>● Embedded machine sensors</li> <li>● Vibration sensor</li> <li>● Chemical sensor</li> <li>● Shock sensor</li> <li>● Pressure sensor</li> <li>● IoT enabled camera</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Gas sensor</li> <li>● Flame detector</li> <li>● Ultrasonic sensor</li> <li>● Tilt sensor</li> <li>● IR sensors</li> <li>● RFID tags</li> <li>● Smoke sensor</li> <li>● Vibration sensor</li> <li>● Accelerometer</li> <li>● Temperature sensor</li> <li>● GPS module</li> <li>● IoT enabled cameras</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● RFID tags</li> <li>● GPS module</li> <li>● Camera</li> </ul> |



**Figure 2**

**Message flow of MQTT protocol in SiC-chain**

**Mapping of SiC-chain Data Processing layer into Supply Chain Management**

The real-time information like the nutrient parameters received in the *SiC-chain* data processing layer is stored in persistent Cloudant database. Figure 3 shows interaction for seamless storage of *SiC-chain* between supplier and manufacturer.

**Mapping of SiC-chain Application layer into Supply Chain Management**

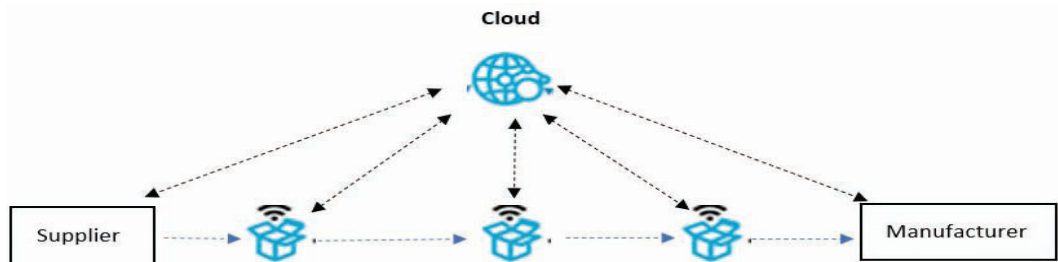
The *SiC-chain* application layer is the user-oriented layer. All the supply chain entities require a dashboard to interact within *SiC-chain* architecture, application layer provides a smart real time dashboard.

All the Supply Chain Management entities can access the application through their smart phones, Personal Digital Assistant and laptops. Figure 4 shows the smart real-time dashboard for Supply Chain Management entities.

**C. Operations of SiC-chain**

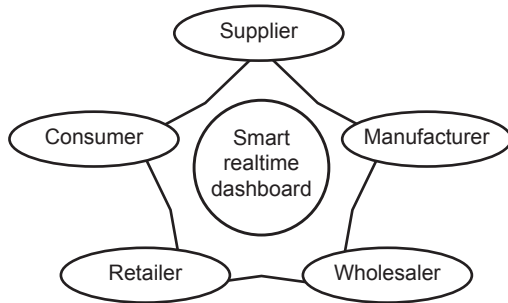
For effective and smooth working of the *SiC-chain* environment, the following operations have been identified and formalized for the *SiC-chain* environment: (i) Enrollment and (ii) Secure communication of data between the Internet of Things devices and platform.

**Enrollment:** In the proposed architecture, suppliers, manufactures, wholesalers, retailers and consumers can enroll in the application. There are four entities: client application, authentication service, server and cloudant database. Supplier registers with the authentication service by providing email and password. The authentication service sends a token back to the supplier. This token along with



**Figure 3**

**Interaction for seamless storage of data in SiC-chain**



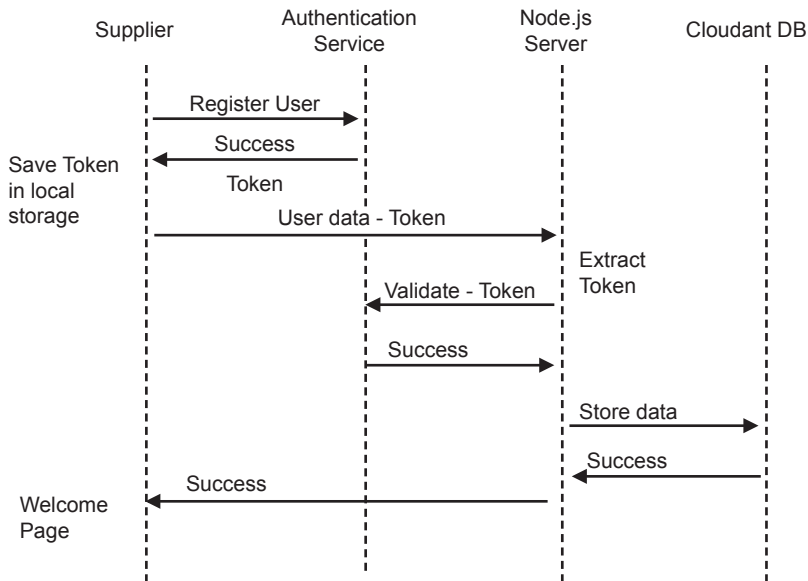
**Figure 4**  
Smart real time dashboard in SiC-chain

user data is sent to the server using an Application Programming Interface Call. The node.js server extracts and validates the token with the authentication service. Once the token is validated, the user data is stored in the database.

Figure 5 shows the timing diagram for enrollment of supply chain entities. All the

enrolled supply chain entities can view the dashboard.

**Secure communication:** Internet of Things devices initially registers with the Watson Internet of Things platform which serves as the Message Queuing Telemetry Transport broker. Once the Wi-Fi connection is established, a self-signed certificate is generated by openSecure Sockets Layer. This certificate is stored on the device and the Internet of Things platform, which is verified when connection is established. Devices are connected to Watson Internet of Things platform using device ID and token-based authentication mechanism. IBM cloud platform subscribe to a topic via Message Queuing Telemetry Transport broker which is published by



**Figure 5**  
Timing diagram for enrollment of supply chain entities

the Internet of Things device. The nutrient parameters are stored in cloudant database and can be seen in smart dashboard.

**Implementation**

**Implementation environment of SiC-chain**

At the implementation side we have Supply Chain Management entities, cloud and Internet of Things network. Supply Chain Management entities include suppliers, manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers and consumers. Internet of Things sensors are used to collect environmental conditions in real time. The temperature and humidity values are pushed to cloud through Message Queuing Telemetry Transport over HTTP protocol. These values are sent to the persistent *Cloudant NoSQL Database*. The data is fetched to real time dashboard along with other parameters where the entities of supply chain can achieve transaction level trust and data transparency. The implementation environment of *SiC-chain* is depicted in Figure 6.

**TABLE II**

**Development Technologies for the SiC-chain Architecture**

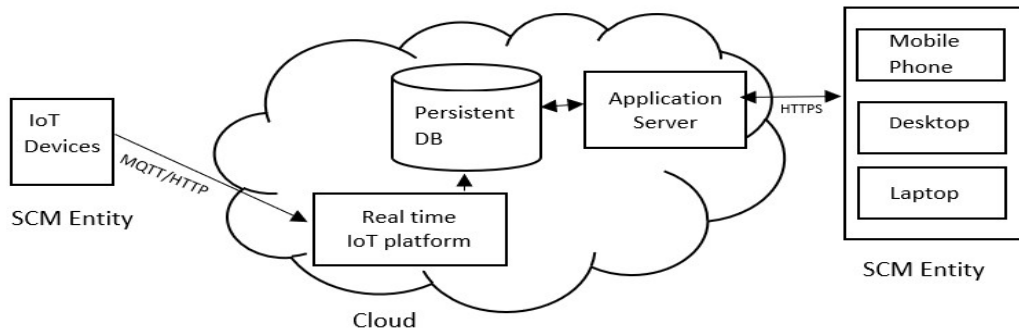
| Component             | Description                                                 |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Hardware              | ESP8266 (NodeMCU board)                                     |
| Memory                | 12GB                                                        |
| Operating System      | Windows                                                     |
| Library and Framework | WIFI Client, PubSubClient, IBM Watson IoT Platform, NodeRed |
| Sensors               | Temperature and Humidity sensors                            |
| IDE                   | Arduino 1.8.19                                              |
| DBMS                  | IBM NoSQL Cloudant                                          |
| Programming language  | Node.js, React                                              |

**Development technologies**

Table II describes the development technologies for implementing *SiC-chain* architecture.

**Results and Discussion**

This section explains the results obtained in the prototype.



**Figure 6**  
**Implementation environment of SiC-chain**

### **Real Time Data Collection**

The hardware implementation set up is depicted in Figure 7.

As shown in Figure 7, temperature and humidity sensors are connected to ESP8266 module. The ESP8266 is connected to PC via USB cable. The integrated development environment used is Arduino Integrated development environment where the program is executed and temperature and humidity payload is displayed. It is published in IBM Watson Internet of Things platform through Message Queuing Telemetry Transport protocol via WIFI Client library.

### **Secure communication between the device and Internet of Things platform using Secure Sockets Layer / Transport Layer Security**

In order to secure communication between the devices and Internet of Things platform, a self-signed certificate is generated for Message Queuing Telemetry Transport traffic, added them to the Internet of Things Watson platform and the ESP8266 code, for enabling an Secure Sockets Layer/Transport Layer Security connection, server certificate is verified



**Figure 7**  
**Hardware implementation setup**

against the root CA certificate installed on the ESP8266. The ESP8266 code verifies the certificate details, establishes the connection and displays the real time temperature and humidity value in Arduino Integrated development environment.

### **Data Processing and Storage**

The Internet of Things platform uses open-source Message Queuing Telemetry Transport protocol to allow devices and applications to connect to the Internet of Things platform. Node-RED can receive the data that was transmitted from the device over Message Queuing Telemetry Transport to Watson Internet of Things Platform. It helps to store the data in Cloud Storage.

### **Time**

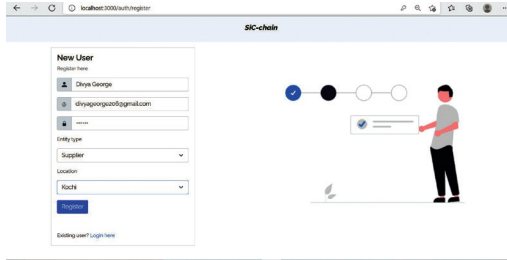
Throughput is the number of packets that successfully reach at their destinations<sup>27</sup>. Table III describes the throughput for valid read/write operations.

### **Storage Space**

Documents stored in cloud includes JSON documents and indexes. In order to store 10 JSON documents, it requires around 36KB of storage space. Considering the above, the total space required for the

**TABLE III**  
**Throughput for Read / Write Operations**

| Operations | Requests | Throughput |
|------------|----------|------------|
| Reads      | 20       | 11 ops/sec |
| Writes     | 10       | 10 ops/sec |



**Figure 8**  
**New User Registration**

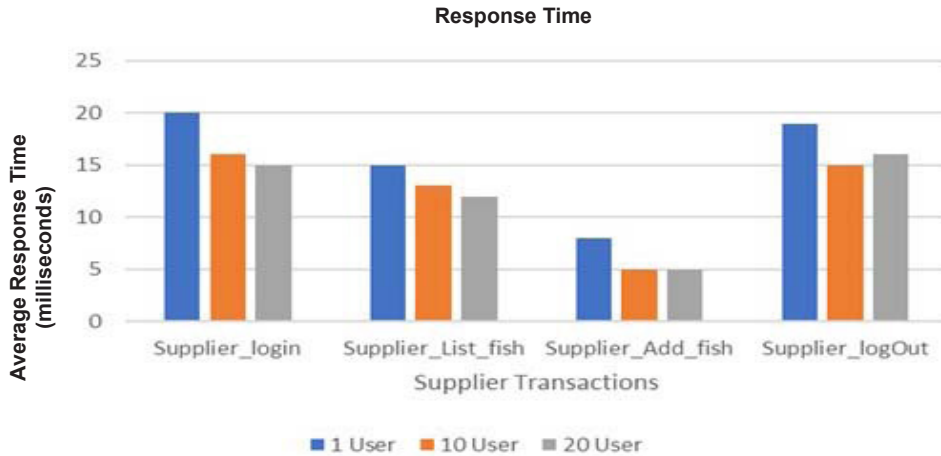
application is less than 1GB of cloud data storage. This storage space can increase depending on the increase of suppliers and manufacturers.

**Smart Dashboard**

Figure 8 illustrates sample screenshot of the dashboard.

**TABLE IV**  
**Performance Test Cases**

| Test Case ID | Transaction Name          | Step Description                                                                     | Expected Output                                                                                   |
|--------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TC_001       | Supplier_login            | 1. Open browser 2. Enter URL 3. Enter valid E-mail & Password 4. Click Login button  | Supplier should be landed on <i>SiC-chain</i> login page and should be logged in successfully     |
| TC_002       | Supplier_List_fish        | Supplier click on List Fish menu                                                     | All Fishes are listed                                                                             |
| TC_003       | Supplier_Add fish         | Supplier clicks Add Fish menu, enter fish details, click Add button                  | Add fish page is displayed and fishes added to supplier database                                  |
| TC_004       | Supplier_LogOut           | Supplier clicks the logout menu                                                      | Supplier should be logged out successfully                                                        |
| TC_005       | Manufact_Login            | 1. Open browser 2. Enter URL 3. Enter valid E-mail & Password. 4. Click Login button | Manufacturer should be landed on <i>SiC-chain</i> login page and should be logged in successfully |
| TC_006       | Manufact_List_Fish        | Manufacturer click List Fish                                                         | All Fish details are listed                                                                       |
| TC_007       | Manufact_All Supplier     | Manufacturer click All Suppliers                                                     | Manufacturer click All Suppliers link to view all suppliers                                       |
| TC_008       | Manufact_Add_to_favourite | Manufacturer select favorite suppliers and add to favorites                          | Manufacturer can add favourite suppliers to list                                                  |
| TC_009       | Manufact_Buy_Fish         | Manufacturer click Buy                                                               | Manufacturer can add favourite supplies to list                                                   |
| TC_010       | Manufact-My Inventory     | Manufacturer click List Fish menu                                                    | All Fishes bought by manufacturer are seen in inventory                                           |
| TC_011       | Manufac_LogOut            | Manufacturer clicks Logout menu                                                      | Manufacturer should be logged out successfully                                                    |



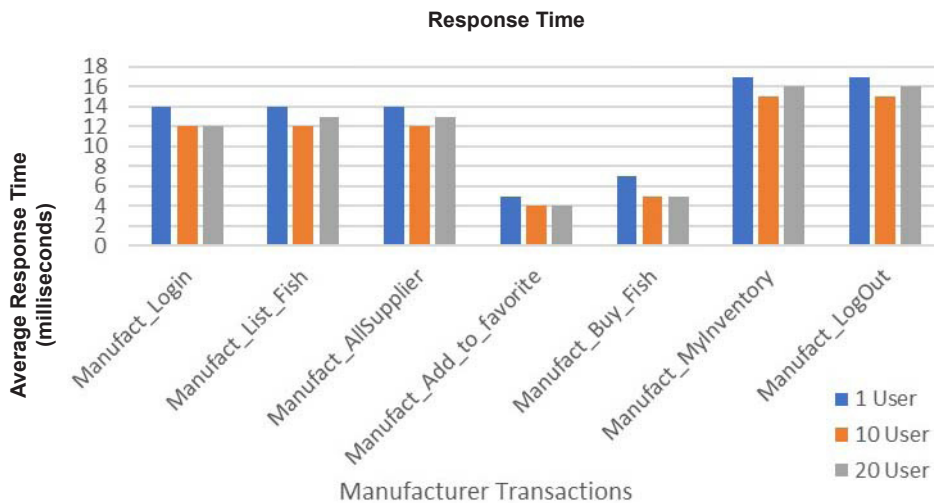
**Figure 9**

**Response time of the supplier transactions**

**Performance analysis**

This section presents performance analysis of proposed *SiC-chain* architecture. Here performance testing is run using Apache JMeter. Apache JMeter<sup>28</sup> is a testing tool used to analyze and measure the performance of applications.

To calculate response time, every request and response generated by the HTTP protocol are recorded using Apache JMeter. JMeter generates requests to target servers and simulate the number of users. The overall running time of test is set as 60 minutes.



**Figure 10**

**Response time of the manufacturer transactions**

**TABLE V**  
**Throughput for Supplier and Manufacturer Transactions**

| Transactions | No. of users | Throughput (per second) |
|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Supplier     | 1            | 0.38782                 |
|              | 10           | 3.68286                 |
|              | 20           | 7.27128                 |
| Manufacturer | 1            | 0.57184                 |
|              | 10           | 5.30609                 |
|              | 20           | 10.34536                |

### (i) Response Time

The response over time is calculated by using the request-responses collected from JMeter. Factors affecting response time are network bandwidth, user count, queries submitted. Elapsed Time is the time elapsed from the start of the test, which is displayed in hours, minutes and seconds.

The performance test cases for *SiC-chain* website are shown in Table IV.

Apache JMeter measures the elapsed time from the start of the test, which is displayed in hours, minutes, and seconds. Performance test is executed for a period of 60 minutes and infinite iterations are considered. It means elapsed time of the test is 60 minutes. Response Time is recorded against elapsed time. From Figure 9, even though we have increased the users from 1 to 10 to 20, after performing the load test, web application is giving a consistent response time for supplier transactions.

The test cases for manufacturer transactions are depicted in Table IV. The test is executed for a period of 60 minutes.

From the Figure 10, even though we have increased the users from 1 to 10 to 20, after performing the load test, web application is giving a consistent response time for manufacturer transactions.

### Throughput

Table V shows throughput for supplier and manufacturer transactions for 1 user, 10 users and 20 users.

The response time and throughput remain almost same when performance test is run for 1 user, 10 users and 20 users. The proposed web application is efficient for large scale supply chain applications, with scaling of hardware resources.

### Conclusion and Future Prospects

An architecture for the cold chain has been proposed to detect nutrient value of food by periodically monitoring certain parameters in real-time and alerting the cold chain entities. The Internet of Things allows real-time traceability and sharing of product movement throughout the Supply Chain Management. The Message Queuing Telemetry Transport protocol used in conjunction with Transport Layer Security helps to secure the communication between devices and Internet of Things platform. Cloud technology enhances

the overall performance through efficient resource usage, flexibility and scalability. In future we will be focusing to secure the messages while transferring the data thereby maintaining confidentiality in a supply chain channel.

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# Security Enabled IoT Architecture for Cold Chain Packaging Applications

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**Abstract** – Rapid spreading of COVID - 19 and the post health issues shows the importance of eating food having high nutrition. Different temperatures, humidity, vibrations in storage, transportation and packaging can affect the deterioration of food quality. This can affect the attributes such as color, texture, odor, taste and parameters such as vitamin and bacterial content or chemical changes. So, quality and certainty of food origin are expected to be known by the supply chain entities. In current supply chain management especially in the cold chain industry, availability of real time data of environmental factors like temperature and humidity and secure transactions within supply chain management entities is a major concern. In order to ensure the safety and security of food especially during packaging and transportation, an architecture is developed that combines IoT sensors with cloud technologies and a lightweight cryptographic method. The architecture monitors temperature and humidity in real time and ensures the security of sensor data through the lightweight cryptographic algorithm-PRESENT. The architecture can include IoT devices fixed on primary, secondary and tertiary packages and allows the products to be monitored in real time and increases the efficiency of operations of packaging companies. An implementation of the proposed architecture has been demonstrated and analyzed.

**Keywords** – Lightweight cryptography, Cloud, Security, Internet of Things, Coldchain

## I. Introduction

Supply Chain Management (SCM) [1][2] may be defined as the process by which how a product from one end reaches the other end.ie: from suppliers to consumers. Reduced costs, increased efficiency and increased transparency are some of the benefits of supply chain management[3][4].The temperature-controlled supply chain system, referred to as the Cold Chain[5].Cold chain industry still lacks end-to-end visibility, security and cross-functional collaboration[6].

IoT consists of devices connected over a network to exchange data. Packages can be classified into primary, secondary and tertiary packages. In the primary package, each can or bottles can be connected to IoT devices. Secondary packages consist of multiple cans which can be put inside the cardboard boxes. Each cardboard boxes can be connected to IoT devices to monitor the spoilage of food. For logistics purpose, multiple cardboard boxes can be embedded into containers where the GPS module and IoT devices can be integrated for tracking and monitoring the products.

Security is one of the major concern in IoT. Since the number of connected devices increases, confidentiality, integrity and authenticity of data are major challenges in IoT network. Cryptography is the process of encryption and decryption of data thereby removes the major challenges in IoT network. Majority of the traditional cryptographic algorithms like DES,AES used today are developed for desktop and server contexts, as a result they are not suitable for small devices. Therefore, lightweight encryption algorithms (LWC) are considered which provides fast and reliable encryption systems for resource constrained devices. [7].

Here we have suggested a security enabled IoT architecture incorporating IoT sensors through lightweight cryptographic algorithm and cloud to ensure the safety and security of food. The architecture monitors temperature and humidity in real time and ensures the security of sensor data through the lightweight cryptographic algorithm-PRESENT. The following sections describes the literature survey, proposed architecture, results and performance analysis.

## II. Literature Survey

Short Food Supply Chains (SFSCs)[8] are attracting interest for their potential to bring about social, and economic benefits in comparison to more conventional practices. Shortening food supply [9] chains may not always reduce the environmental hazards. Transportation of food, storage of food are some of the major components that can affect the quality of food.

Food can be classified into perishable and non-perishable. Perishable food [10] include meat and dairy products. Non-perishable[11]food include canned goods, cereals, pulses, starchy roots, and dried fruits. Temperature control of products is essential for maintaining the product quality. A K-means clustering method[12] can be used for the classification of temperature and humidity values related to cold chain logistics. Still, it won't solve the issues to monitor the environmental conditions .There are promising sensors[13][14] like and indicators which can indicate the quality of food. Release of gases like carbon dioxide, oxygen, volatile organic compounds and biogenic amines (BAs) are detected using gas sensors.[15][16]

Because of the compatibility and availability of tools, zigbee technology is a better option for supply chain management. In the paper [17], the strength of MQTT and HTTP protocols based on Cloud and Fog data is analysed through performance parameters for real time sensor data. It was proved that MQTT protocol is better than HTTP protocol for sensor traffic. A complete packaging, intelligent quality evaluation and monitoring are significant factors in the transition of conventional Cold Chain Logistics [18] to smart, green, and efficient cold chain logistics. Another sector of cold chain includes the administration of vaccines[19] to all categories of people in a timely manner. In this industry, better packaging designs are necessary for maintaining real-time information, tracking deliveries, and coordinating platforms.

The creation of new cryptographic algorithms that are optimized for a limited few devices has been the subject of extensive research over the past decade. These cryptographic methods are frequently referred to as “lightweight” algorithms. Majority of the cryptographic algorithms used today were developed for desktop and server contexts, as a result they are not suitable for small devices[20]. Therefore, lightweight cryptographic approach is proposed that solves many of the problems of traditional cryptography when used on devices with constrained physical size, computational requirements, limited memory, and power consumption.

Lightweight cryptography helps to secure networks of smart things due to its efficiency and footprint reduction[21]. The PRESENT block cipher[22], is an SPN network recognized by NIST with 31 rounds. The length of the plain text is 64 bits and the algorithm can have 80 and 128-bit secret keys. Key addition, a layer of nonlinear substitution, and a layer of bit-wise permutation comprise each iteration of PRESENT.

In food supply chain, especially in cold chain industry, quality, security and certainty of food origin are expected to be known by the entities of supply chain. But the challenge to preserve the quality and security still remains. In this paper, a security enabled IoT architecture is proposed that monitors temperature and humidity in real time and ensures the security of sensor data through the lightweight cryptographic algorithm-PRESENT. The industrial/ digital revolution -IoT & Cloud can bring a solution to this problem.

### III. Proposed Architecture

In this section, an integrated system architecture for cold chain industry is proposed. The proposed architecture named as SiCchain - Secure - IoT and Cloud for cold chain applications. As we can say that cold chain products can be physically tagged by IoT enabled sensors. During transit, spoilage of food occurs due to food pathogens, pH changes,

toxins and ammino acids. To detect spoilage of food and emission of gases, sensors can continuously transmit and monitor, and the parameters can be stored along with time and location using IoT and cloud technology. The sensor values have been made secure using lightweight cryptographic algorithm-PRESENT. The proposed architecture facilitates and tracks the possession changes through the entities in the distribution channel.

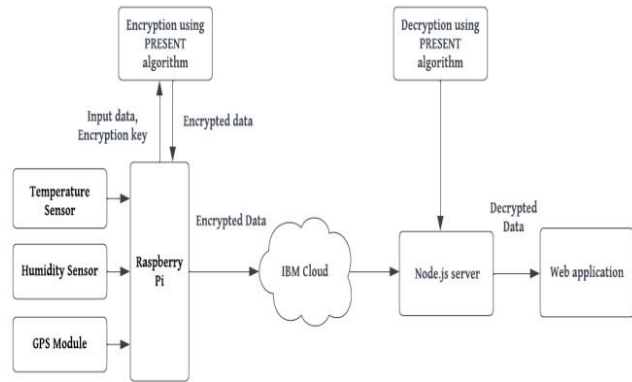


Figure 1. Proposed architecture of SiC-chain

Figure 1, shows the proposed architecture of SiC-chain. In SiC-chain, we have trusted IoT devices to monitor environmental factors that are connected to the Raspberry Pi. The sensors that are used are the temperature sensor which measures the temperature values, the humidity sensors that reads the humidity value. The GPS module is used to find the location. The readings from the IoT traffic are taken using sensors and are sent to the Raspberry Pi. The values are then encrypted using lightweight cryptographic algorithm-PRESENT. The encrypted values are then stored in IBM Cloud and are decrypted in Node.js server using PRESENT, a lightweight cryptographic algorithm. The decrypted values are then published to the web application.

### IV. Experimental Results & Performance Analysis

Figure 2 and Figure 3 shows the encryption and decryption at raspberry pi and node.js server.

The temperature and humidity values along with the device ID is fetched. The values are encrypted and uploaded to cloud via MQTT broker. These values are decrypted in Node.js server. Once decrypted, the values are shown in the dashboard of the web application. The temperature, humidity values along with the current location using GPS module helps to track and monitor the spoilage of food kept in primary, secondary and tertiary packages.



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# An IoT-Based Traceability Framework for Small-Scale Farms



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**Abstract** In many sectors such as supply chain, manufacturing, regular farms, health care, and pharmaceutical industries, traceability at real time and item level is important. This paper inquires the challenges of supply chain holders in the farming sector and proposes solutions using IoT (Internet of Things) for automatic tracking particularly for supporting functions like demand planning, inventory management, transportation in supply chain management. We introduce a framework of centralized traceability system based on IoT connecting all the elements providing end-to-end solutions thereby minimizing the overall loss. IoT security is of urgent concern because of the growing number of IoT products, the complexity of protocols used in IoT, and the manufacturers' limited safety measures embedded in the devices. New vulnerabilities such as man-in-the-middle attacks, denial of service attacks occur due to unsecured channels of communication. We extend the proposed framework by adopting a security model to prevent man-in-the-middle attacks in an IoT environment. Furthermore, temperature and humidity values are tracked and analyzed using sensors at different timestamps.

**Keywords** Internet of things (IoT) · Traceability · Security · Farms

## 1 Introduction

Supply chain deals with the transfer of goods and data between input suppliers, processors, wholesalers, retailers, and consumers. Current supply chains allow business to be integrated thereby minimize loss, increase resources, improve market

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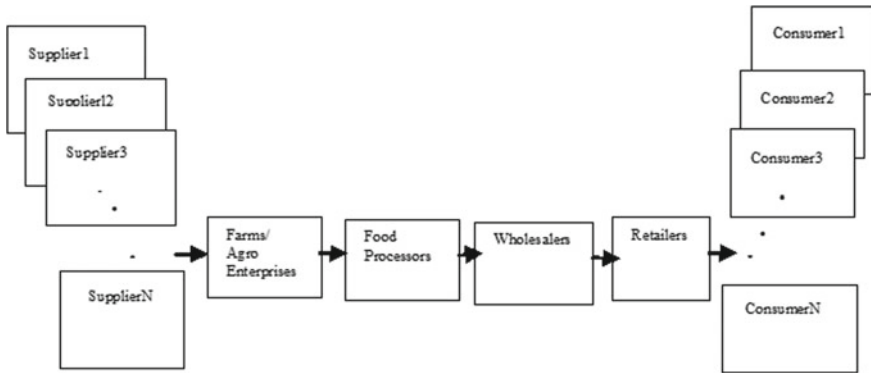
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**Fig. 1** Supply chain management in Farms

time, and maintain consumers. The success behind supply chain lies in how well the activities co-ordinate among the holders and thereby increasing the efficiency of the system. Figure 1 shows the major holders of supply chain in the farming sector.

The different holders in the supply chain operation comprise of Input Suppliers, Farms, Food Processors, Wholesalers, Retailers, and Consumers. Nevertheless, the supply chains of various farms or agro-enterprises are riddled with difficulties resulting from the agricultural sector’s inherent problems. The agri-supply chain network is determined by various challenges such as lack of market requirement data, demand for small quantity, lack of transparency, inadequate storage capacity, and poor transportation. Latest technologies like RFID tag, wireless sensors for tracking, and tracing of raw materials has been recognized and tested in the food industry [1]. In order to achieve privacy and end-end security, symmetric and asymmetric algorithms are designed to meet possible attacks like denial of service attack [2], man-in-the-middle attack [3], and eavesdropping attack [4].

The supply chain management network needs to refurbish so as to maximize profits and offer delivery mechanisms that aim to counter perishable products to stretch the marketable time. This paper proposes a low-cost and secure traceability framework based on IoT connecting all the elements in supply chain thereby minimizing the overall loss.

The organization of the paper is as follows: Sect. 2 describes the background study. In Sects. 3, 4, and 5, we present the proposed framework, methodology, experiments, and results of traceability system. Section 6 describes the conclusion and future scope.

## 2 Theoretical Background

This segment reviews related topics which are classified into Internet of Things (IoT) in the supply chain, Traceability in IoT, and Security issues in IoT. Gaps in the study are found after literature review.

### 2.1 *IoT in Supply Chain*

The IoT, through network of computers, helps in overcoming the shortcomings of supply chain by providing a solution in the form of real time location which helps in finding the exact location of a consignment at any instance of time.

IoT has emerged as a ground-breaking network with knowledge sharing capabilities in the supply chain. The influence and performance of IoT on supply chain integration especially in the farming sector is yet to be explored. The cross-sectional survey [5] indicates a strong and significant relationship between IoT adoption and its effect on retail producers, consumers, and intermediaries. The functions of IoT in supply chain include demand planning, manufacturing, inventory management, transportation, and customer service. Demand planning is the collection of data by sensors, then analyze it using forecasting or prediction models in order to make accurate forecasts. Manufacturing is used to increase visibility, efficiency, and scalability at each step of the production process. It also increases efficiency and diminishes waste from ingredients. Inventory management improves demand visibility and prevents shrinking of stockouts and inventory. It helps to keep track of inventory information in real time. It helps to make the service more efficient and eliminates risks and accidents. Transportation helps to improve cooperation among carriers, shippers, and consumers. Customer Service helps to strengthen the customer relationship through real-time communication.

### 2.2 *Traceability in IoT*

Technological implications [6] in the identification of commodity, process, and characterization of environment, the collection, analysis, storage and transmission of information, and the overall integration of systems are needed to implement traceable agricultural supply chain system. Laboratory, online instruments, and non-destructive tests are used to measure firmness and to maintain internal quality assurance. Smart sensor techniques have attained considerable popularity in agriculture in the recent years. Regattieri et al. [7] described a traceability system for the identification and routing of products for food supply chain. Promising technologies like alphanumeric codes, bar codes, and RFID systems are used. The cost of the TAG and the need of standardization are the two lines of development needed in the framework. Huang

and Liu [8] introduce the concepts of RFID technology and database integration technology in supply chain tracking system. Here also monitoring of product information is integrated and stored in the database. The use of RFID and NFC along with GPS technology [9, 10] in the entire logistics system of agricultural products would help to foster the development of trade, of agro-enterprises. An aeroponic system [11] is built to track key parameters using a wireless sensor network. The network provides other benefits, including quicker response to climatic conditions and better monitoring of crop quality, resulting in lower labor costs. However, the monitoring system does not provide a tracking system that plant scientists or growers may need to know about how the environmental parameters relate to plant growth.

### **2.3 Security Issues in IoT**

Selective forwarding, Synchronization attacks, Replay attack, Denial of Service, Man-in-the-middle attacks, SQL injection are possible in IoT environments. Hassija et al. [12] suggested the security risks, enhancements, and solution architectures that IoT applications need. The work outlines the protection and privacy problems concerning various IoT applications. Blockchain, Fog computing, Machine learning, and edge computing-based solutions are proposed for securing IoT environments and applications. Burhan et al. [13] suggested a modern and standardized six-layer protected architecture for IoT. The paper addressed the communications technologies that IoT applications use. Hammi M et al. [14] created a robust, fast, and lightweight symmetric encryption algorithm for IoT devices. Arsalan Mosenia et al. [15] outlined weaknesses that IoT's edge side layer faces. Yang et al. [16] addressed the drawbacks of IoT devices that are most important. Chen et al. [17] focuses on location-specific security issues in IoT. Metsis et al. [18] addressed IoT middleware-related security problems.

The objective of this work is to secure, track, and trace the holders of supply chain in farms by using a centralized system to store transaction records giving priority to security, quality assurance (QA), and real-time data availability. The proposed framework makes supply chain management more efficient by using reliable technology like IoT. The web app interface allows the input suppliers, processors, and consumers as well as middlemen in the supply chain to view updates in real time and make decisions.

## **3 Proposed Framework**

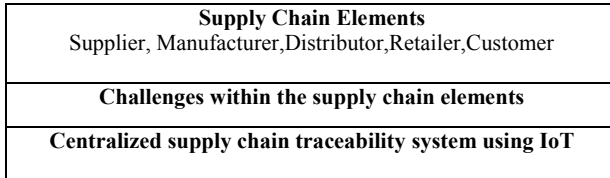
The abstract representation of the proposed framework consists of three layers. Considering a diary farm scenario, the upper layer consists of supply chain elements with input suppliers, farms or agro-enterprises, processors, wholesalers, retailers, and consumers. The middle layer describes the challenges associated with supply

chain elements and the lower layer consists of a centralized traceability system using IoT as shown in Fig. 2a.

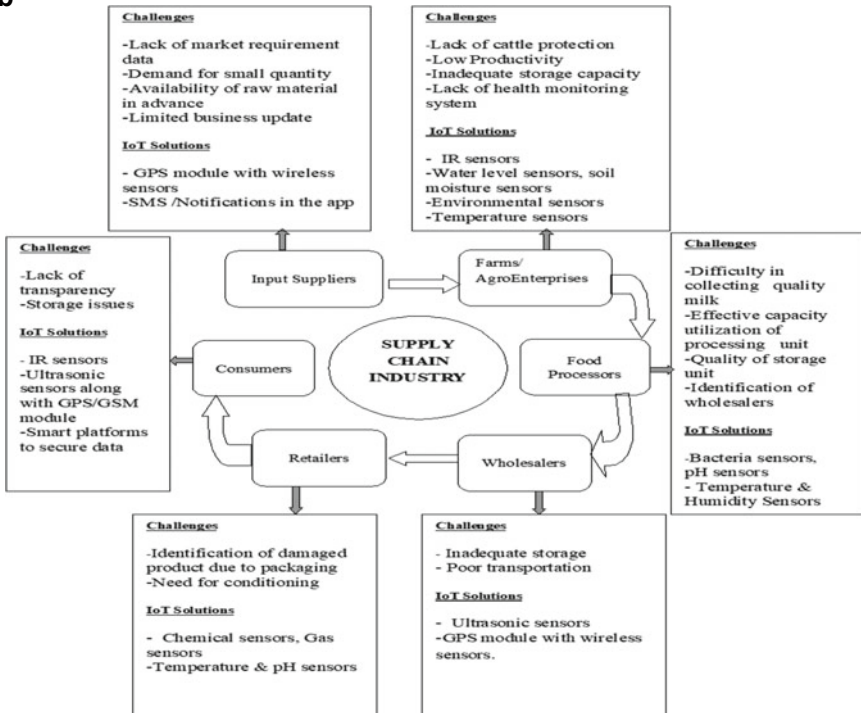
The detailed representation of the challenges and proposed IoT-based solutions is depicted in the following Fig. 2b.

The role of input suppliers is to obtain material from producers in small quantity, pack them into containers for each manufacturer in large quantity and send to manufacturers. Farms in turn do the milking of cattle, supply food and water to cattle, pack

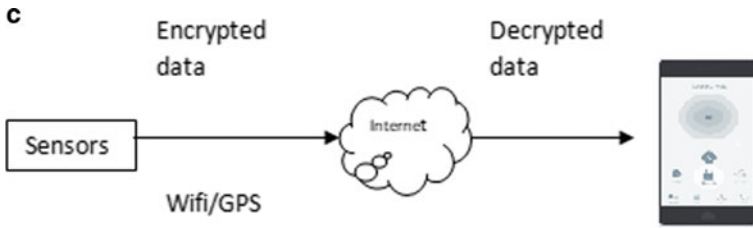
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**Fig. 2** a Abstract representation of the proposed framework b Challenges and IoT-based solutions with supply chain elements c Workflow of the proposed framework for small scale farms



**Fig. 2** (continued)

milk in containers, maintain and ensure working conditions of equipments. Processors collect milk from farms, process, and arrange for the wholesalers. The wholesaler's role is to collect milk from processors and deliver it to the retailer. The retailer collects milk from wholesaler and store, delivers to consumers as required. The consumers get milk from retailer. Based on business perspective, types of suppliers can be organized and unorganized sectors. Farms or Agro-Enterprises can be individual or society-based, small-scale, or large-scale industry. Merchant wholesalers, Logistics wholesalers, Specialized wholesalers are the different categories of wholesalers. Retailing can be done in-store-based and non-store-based. Consumers are the final endusers. So there are a lot of challenges connected with each entity in the supply chain. Our methodology proposes solutions based on IoT for automatic tracking of items through a centralized traceability system and thereby creating logs to trace back the activities. Since there is a security breach in the system, data in transit is protected and made available only to the holders in the chain.

The system described above is applicable to large-scale farms. For small-scale farms, a strong and cost-effective system is required. To accomplish this goal, we use low-cost sensors like temperature, humidity, ultrasonic, and IR sensors along with GPS module and Wi-Fi connectivity. These sensors along with GPS module tracks the item, storage unit utilization, and even resists external human intervention. In order to protect data in transit strong encryption is done using AES algorithm. All the holders in the supply chain are able to track the system. The simplified version of the system is much like in Fig. 2c.

## 4 Methodology

The methodology provides a common portal connecting all the elements and providing an end-to-end solution. The operational diagram of the traceability framework with the sensors set for tracing parameters such as temperature, humidity at input suppliers, farms, processors, wholesalers, and retailers are shown in Fig. 3.

The data from various sensors are collected via Raspberry Pi. This data together with the GPS coordinates is sent to the remote server with the help of Wi-Fi connectivity which is achieved using Wi-Fi module. The data sent to the remote server is

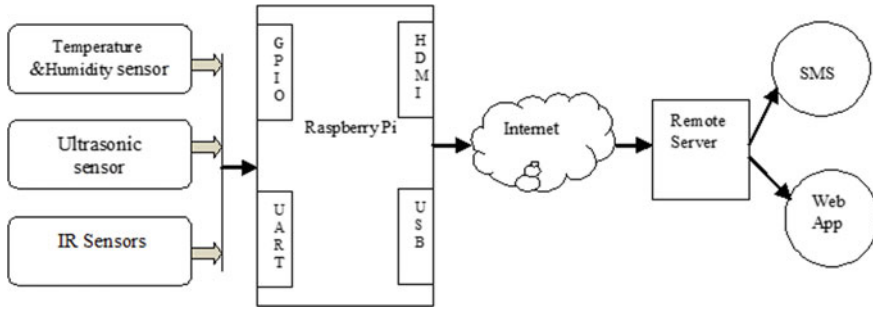


Fig. 3 Operational diagram of the traceability framework

Table 1 Sensors used and their Functionality

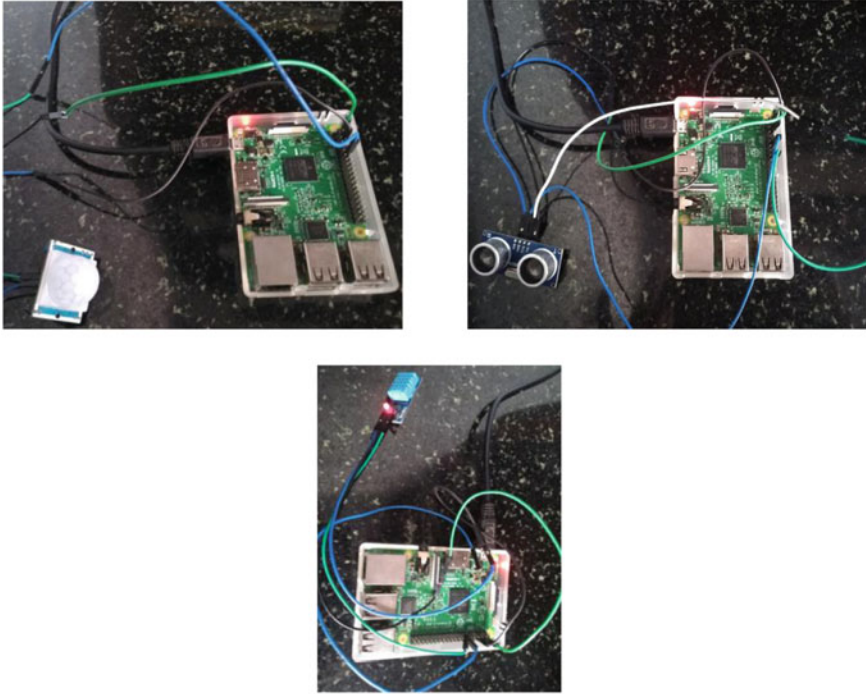
| Sensors                  | Sensor location                         | Sensor Functionality                            |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Temperature and Humidity | Food Processors, Wholesalers, Retailers | To track the damaged item                       |
| Ultrasonic               | Input Suppliers                         | Effective capacity utilization of storage units |
| IR                       | Farms                                   | Cattle Protection                               |

encrypted with AES-256 to prevent man-in-the-middle attacks on the messages sent between the hardware device and server. The data is then analyzed and the server sent the decrypted data as SMS or notifications in the web application to the holders in the supply chain. Table 1 shows the sensor details and its functionality and location fixed.

## 5 Experiments and Results

The implemented design is shown in Fig. 4a which shows the integration of all hardware components. IR, Ultrasonic, and Temperature and Humidity sensors are interfaced using the Raspberry Pi. The web application connects with the server and displays the tracked data. Figure 4b displays the temperature and humidity of a package at different timestamp and Fig. 4c and d show the analysis of temperature and humidity values, respectively.

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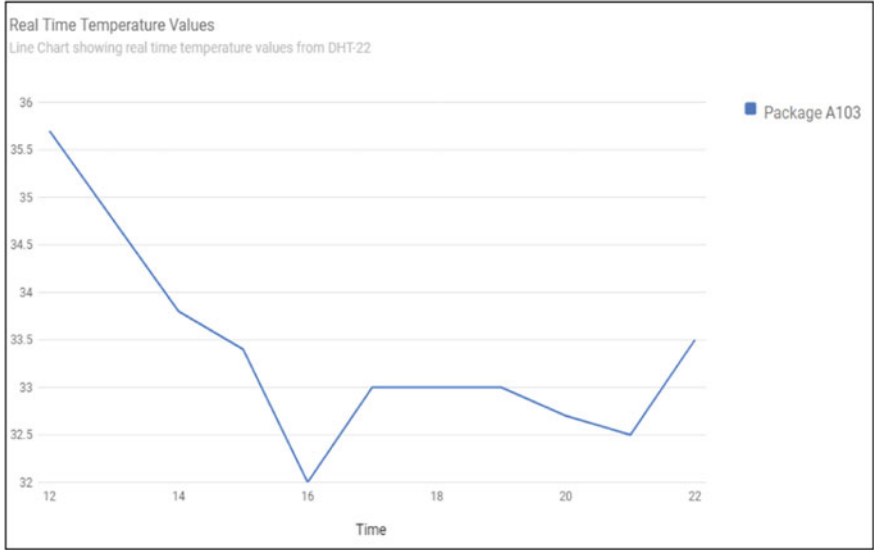


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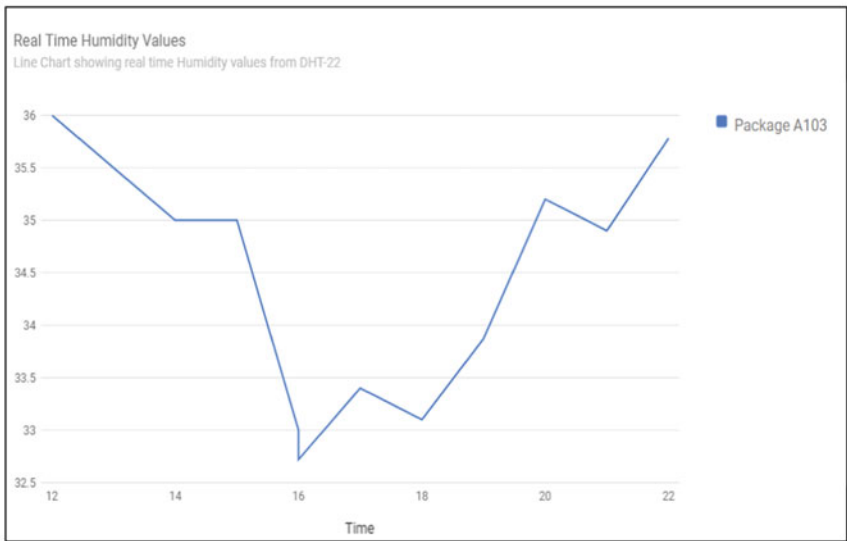
| Tracking Log                                                          |             |          |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Log of all temperature and humidity data with timestamp and packageID |             |          |           |
| ASSET                                                                 | TEMPERATURE | HUMIDITY | TIMESTAMP |
| #A103                                                                 | 35.7°C      | 36       | 12:00     |
| #A103                                                                 | 33.8°C      | 35       | 14:00     |
| #A103                                                                 | 33.4°C      | 35       | 15:49     |
| #A103                                                                 | 32°C        | 33       | 16:00     |
| #A103                                                                 | 32°C        | 32.72    | 16:00     |
| #A103                                                                 | 33°C        | 33.4     | 17:00     |
| #A103                                                                 | 33°C        | 33.1     | 18:00     |
| #A103                                                                 | 33°C        | 33.87    | 19:00     |
| #A103                                                                 | 32.7°C      | 35.2     | 20:00     |

**Fig. 4** **a** Integration of IR, ultrasonic and DHT sensors with Raspberry Pi. **b** Screenshot of tracking log, **c** temperature analysis, **d** humidity analysis

**c**



**d**



**Fig. 4** (continued)

## 6 Conclusion and Future Scope

Traceability framework is essential in small-scale farms for tracking the conditions of shipments and storage units starting from input suppliers to consumers. Our proposed approach introduced a low-cost framework for centralized traceability based on IoT connecting all the elements, providing end-to-end solutions thereby minimizing the overall loss. The framework is protected by adopting a security model to protect from man-in-the-middle attacks within an IoT environment. Our future scope lies in developing a novel security model thereby making a secure environment within the IoT framework.

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# Improving the product services using IoT for controlling in-transit parameters

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**Abstract**-Supply Chain Networks faces a critical need to monitor and maintain in-transit parameters like temperature route. time sensitivity for live monitoring of products. Different Supply Chain technologies used does not solve many of the existing problems. Elements currently leave their data scattered across various supply chain databases and eventually end up losing access to old data. Elements interact with transactional records in a broken manner and it often takes time to retrieve old transaction records.

Supply chain in today's world faces a lot of challenges of which the major risk is the lack of end-to-end visibility. Owing to the high complexity of the supply chain, there is no data transparency and less secure transactions throughout the chain. To provide a secure mechanism, we use an integrated approach with IoT. The proposed architecture is a centralized electronic record management system, which securely streamlines the transaction and enables data economics, leveraging the properties of the IoT. The modular design of the approach makes it easy to integrate with the Supply Chain providers' existing database. Using IoT to provide data transparency and by using a temperature guided route optimization algorithm, this methodology provides a secure way of transporting goods that have temperature constraints. Additionally, we discuss the implementation details which provides an ultimate solution to the approach.

*Keywords*-IoT, Supply chain, Logistics, In-transit Parameters

## I. INTRODUCTION

Supply chain management means and refers to the flow of goods from supplier at one end to customer at other end in a cost effective manner. The block diagram of supply chain management is depicted as follows:

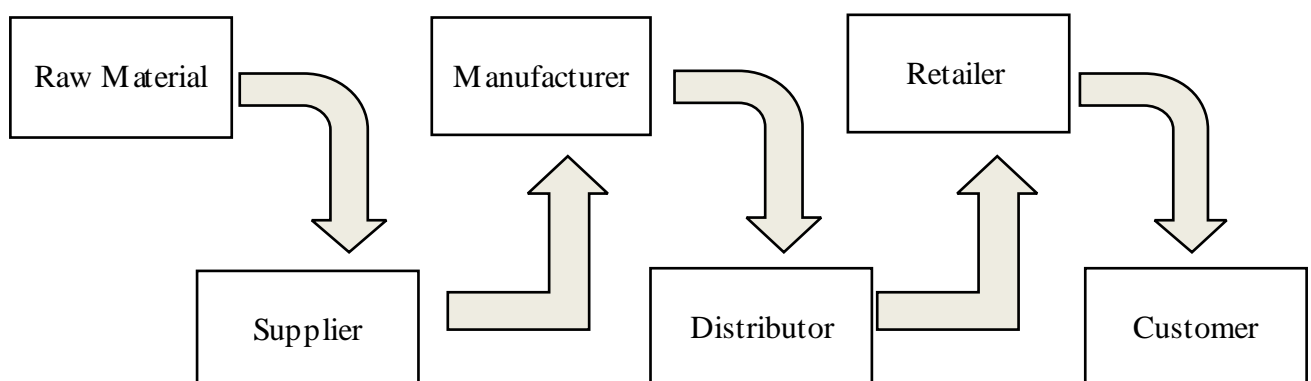


Fig 1:Supply Chain Management

The four users are Suppliers, Manufacturers, Distributors and Consumers. The Suppliers collect the raw materials and pass them on to the manufacturers who use them to produce finished products. Once these products are ready, they are sent to the primary warehouses where they can be dispatched directly or otherwise sent to local warehouses for local dispatch. Finally, once the product reaches the customer, he/she provides feedback regarding the quality of the product received through the system. In addition, the supply chain management and logistics also have a distribution channel.

Channels for distribution include wholesalers, retailers, distributors and the Internet. The producer sells directly to the customer in a direct distribution channel. Indirect channels require many intermediaries before the product ends up in the consumer's pocket. The difference in rates extends to both wholesale and retail sales.

Some of the problems encountered by supply chain management include careful stock handling, mismanagement of data and live monitoring of products throughout the logistics chain. There are many problems with current systems used in the Supply Chain field. Elements currently leave their data scattered across various supply chain databases and eventually end up losing access to old data. Live monitoring of perishable products like frozen food, meat in supply chain & logistics are undetected. In the healthcare sector, there is an urgent need to monitor and maintain optimum in-transit parameters like temperature, route and time sensitivity. Internet of Things is one of the emerging optimal solutions to overcome these challenges. IoT can allow real-time visibility of Supply Chain Management where the people in the chain can track the inventory at any given time point using a web/mobile application.

In this paper, we first present the current scenario of supply chain management and logistics and its challenges. In the next section a literature review/background study of IoT in marketing sectors and supply chain management are discussed. Then we propose a methodology for monitoring in-transit parameters using IoT in supply chain networks. Additionally, we discuss the implementation details and techniques which provide an ultimate solution to the approach.

## **II. BACKGROUND STUDY**

Currently IoT systems are used in the logistics sector where the application has been used to track the items placed in racks in the supermarket. Also in the shopping mall people are connected through IoT to know about the new offers of a product in different shops [1]. Applications such as customer tracking and analysis, dynamic pricing have been identified by incorporating IoT with data mining techniques [2]. A mathematical model [3] has been proposed in conjunction with IoT to find out the best pattern from

several categories for e-commerce applications. Here Internet of things has been used an instrument for marketing in the digital marketing sector. IoT has created an impact on warehouse and yard management[4],shrinkage and misplacement of inventory[5] and accurate and timely delivery of products using sensor enabled RFID networks [6].By taking autonomous decisions using sensor networks[7]positive benefits has been received by the manufacturer, distributor and customer.

From the background study we can conclude that live monitoring of product for controlling the in-transit parameters like temperature, route and time are not widely available using IoT. IoT technology can be integrated into existing supply chain marketing and logistics sector thereby improving the services of products. So our proposed methodology would contribute India’s trade goal among SAARC Countries [8,9] for the development and stability in the neighbourhood. It will also enable to expand and deeper the engagement with SAARC Countries.

**III. PROPOSEDMETHODOLOGY**

The abstract representation of proposed methodology consists of two layers. The upper layer consists of supply chain elements with suppliers, manufacturers, distributors, retailers and customers and lower layer consist of a centralized record management system using IoT as shown in Fig 2.

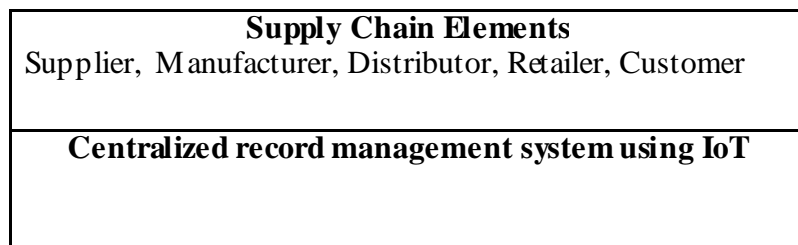


Fig 2: Abstract representation of proposed model

The detailed representation of the proposed methodology is depicted in the following diagram:

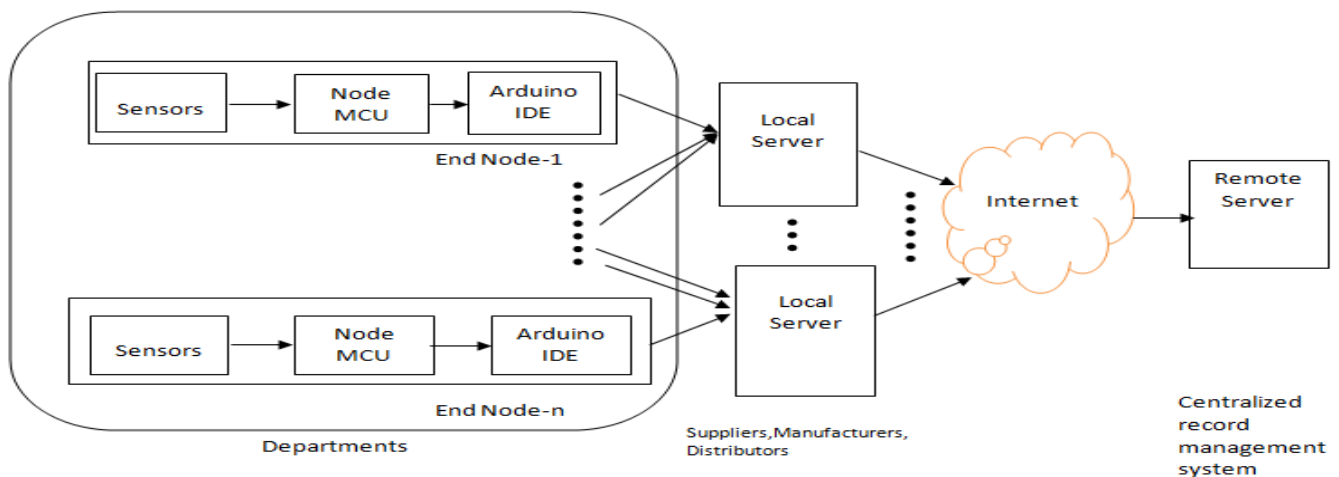


Fig. 3Operational diagram of Proposed Methodology

Each of the elements in the supply chain management has an end node installed in them. The role of the end node is to acquire data using sensors and send the data to the local server. The local server acquires the data analyses, processes and make predictions on the data. From the local server the data is transferred to the centralized record management system which is the remote server. All end nodes are connected to local servers and all local servers are connected to remote servers.

Sensors used in the methodology are DHT 22 sensors, which is used to measure the temperature and humidity. Node MCU is a prototyping board which in turn has a microcontroller module board mounted on it and Arduino IDE is the programming environment .

The procedure of the proposed methodology is as follows:

Step 1:Node MCU acquires temperature and humidity from DHT22 sensors.

Step 2:The temperature and humidity data is fed into the Arduino IDE module which is visible in a local terminal.

Step 3:Arduino IDE Module sends the data to the local servers.

Step 4:Through internet connectivity the data is sent to the web/mobile application through remote servers.

The methodology could be applied to supply chain management and logistics sectors while transporting vaccines and frozen foods. In case of frozen foods, the suppliers collect these resources and are passed on to the manufacturers .The manufactured products reach the distributors. From the distributors it is delivered to the customers via retailers. Proposed methodology provides a single app interface connecting all the users involved in the cold chain management. Temperature sensors along with GPS module periodically monitors the in-transit parameters like temperature and route. If any abnormality is found it is alarmed by sending notifications to all actors along the supply chain .The customers can also provide feedback about how the product was delivered and about its quality.

A portion of the layer -2 of abstract architecture has been implemented and tested.The advantages of the current methodology are all the elements in the current system have an interface like web/mobile application to access the real-time data and details about shipment. They can monitor optimum in-transit parameters like temperature, route and time sensitivity. They can keep track of the consignment in real-time. Security and data transparency in supply chain layers are enforced through IoT.

## **IV. WORK IN PROGRESS**

The implemented design is shown in Fig4 which shows the integration of all hardware components. DHT22 and Node MCU module are interfaced using the Arduino IDE. The web application connects with

the server and displays the sensed data. Fig5 and Fig6 displays the temperature and humidity data in the local terminal and server. Table 1 shows the details of system components.

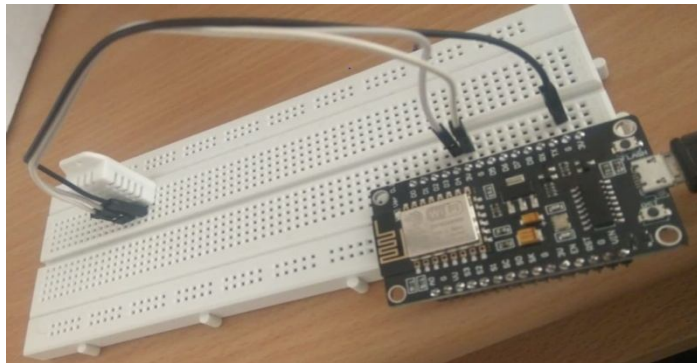


Fig 4: Hardware Implementation set up

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COM7
Temperature: 29.60 *C,
Humidity: 49.30 RH%
Requesting URL: /
Requesting POST: HTTP/1.1 200 OK
X-Powered-By: Express
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 48
ETag: W/"30-1RDQ19XAuentSytF03edGu7IQbQ"
Date: Mon, 27 Jan 2020 10:18:24 GMT

{"Temperature": " 29.60 *C, Humidity=49.30 RH% "}
closing connection
connecting to 8abb6fc0.ngrok.io
Temperature: 29.70 *C,
Humidity: 47.90 RH%
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Fig 5: Temperature and Humidity values displayed in the Arduino IDE

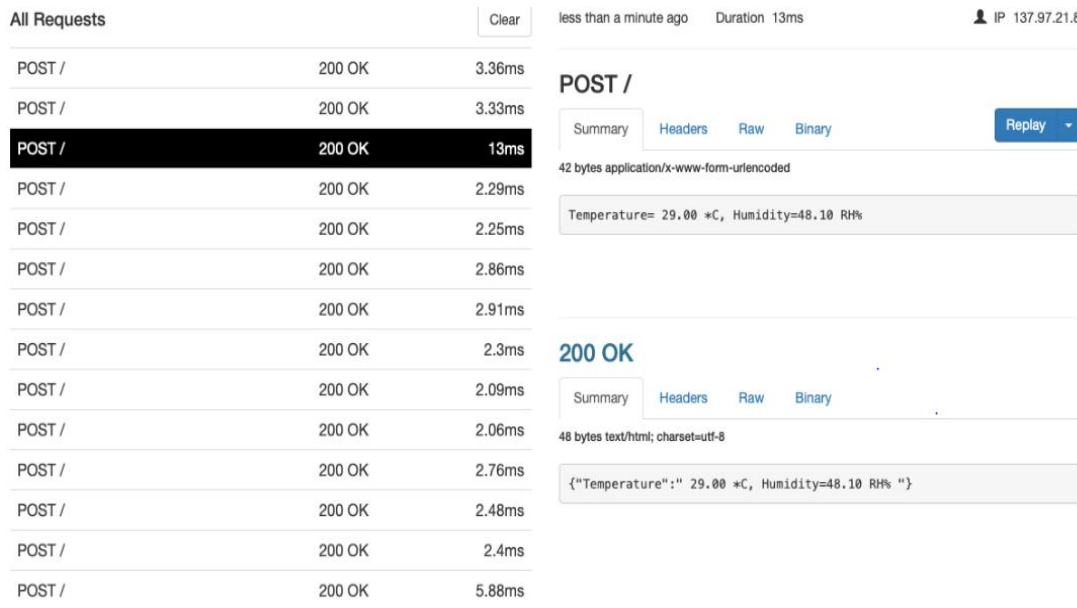


Fig 6:Temperature and Humidity data displayed in the server

TABLE 1: SYSTEM COMPONENT DETAILS

| System Component | Details       |
|------------------|---------------|
| Sensor           | DHT22         |
| Connectivity     | Wi-Fi ESP8266 |
| Microcontroller  | NodeMCU       |
| Remote Server    | NodeJS        |

## V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

The proposed approach changes the way how elements of supply chain and logistics providers interact with each other. Proposed Methodology also integrates IoT to increase data transparency and availability throughout the supply chain and logistics which can be implemented across the borders of SAARC Countries. Since the approach uses a temperature guided route optimization algorithm, optimization is done to benefit the supply chain industries so that such industries can route their consignments which have complex temperature constraints optimally to both temperature and distance. In future, we would like to complete the work and test the record management system in real time giving priority to security and real-time data availability.

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# A TOP-DOWN SURVEY ON SECURITY ASPECTS OF THE INTERNET OF THINGS(IOT)

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## ABSTRACT

Internet of Things (IoT) is becoming the most significant computing platform. With recently developed applications such as Smart Transportation, Smart City, Smart Home, IoT technologies are significantly changing our lifestyle. Novel Solutions are essential to protect the IoT systems from the attacks. The objective of the Internet of Things is to provide security and privacy to the users. This paper aims to analyse security challenges resulted from the characteristics of IoT systems. It also discusses the attacks and open problems in different layers. Finally, it analyses the impact of IoT security in smart home appliances.

**KEYWORDS :** IoT, Security, Attacks, Smart Homes

## I. INTRODUCTION :

IoT (Internet of Things) comprises of a network of physical devices, vehicles, home appliances and other items embedded with electronics, software, sensors, actuators and network connectivity which enables these objects to get connected and exchange data.

IoT is also an Internet Technology connecting devices, machines and tools to the Internet using wireless technologies like Bluetooth, WiFi, Zigbee.

IoT[1] results in the unification of technologies such as low power embedded systems, cloud computing, big data, machine learning and networking. The two solutions for the networking technologies are either to expand the existing network or to build a separate system from scratch. IoT works on four different components, and it is depicted visually in Fig1.

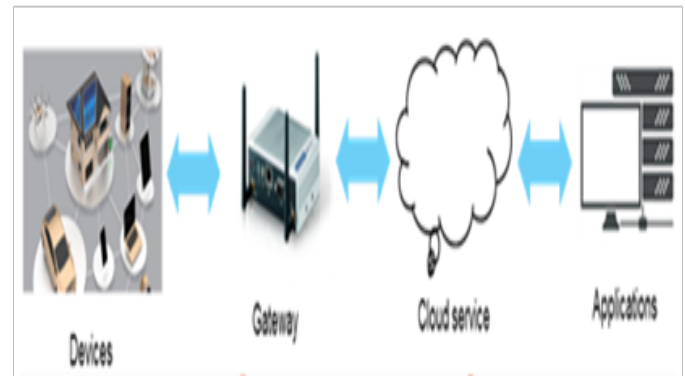


Fig1: Environment Diagram

Applying security mechanisms in an IoT system is more challenging than with a traditional network, due to the heterogeneity of the devices and protocols as well as the scale or the number of nodes in the system. The challenges in applying IoT security mitigation which is due to physical coupling, heterogeneity, resource constraints, privacy, scalability, trust management and unpreparedness for security.

## SENSORS

Sensors are devices used to collect data from the environment.

## IOT GATEWAYS

IoT Gateways acts as an intermediate node to collect data from the end devices and transmit it to the internet.

## CLOUD/SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE

The data collected by the sensors have to be stored and processed intelligently within the cloud infrastructure.

## APPLICATIONS

Applications will support the end users to control and monitor the smart devices from remote locations.

## II. THE NEED FOR SECURITY IN IOT :

### THE DIFFERENT LAYERS[2] OF IOT CONSIST OF:

#### Perception layer

Aforementioned is the physical layer for sensing and collecting information from the environment.

#### Network layer

This layer transfers the sensor data from the perception layer to the next layer and vice versa through the networks.

#### Application layer

This layer is responsible for delivering application-specific services to the user. It defines various applications that can be deployed using IoT. Each layer has its's security[3] concerns:



## PERCEPTION LAYER SECURITY PROBLEMS:

The primary technologies used in the perception layers are WSN, RFID and other types of sensing and identification techniques. Frequent attacks of the perception layer are:

### Node Capture

The nodes which present at the network gateway are more likely to be compromised which might result in the leakage of relevant information which endangers the security of the entire network.

### Fake Node and Malicious Data

The adversary adds a malicious node to the existing system through which they can circulate malicious codes and information over the network, thus infecting the whole system.

### Denial of Service Attack

DoS and DDoS attacks are the most common and vicious attacks over a network. These attacks lead to depletion of network resources and unavailability of service.

### Replay Attack

The adversary replays a previous message to the destination node to compromise the network trust and authentication schemes

Network layer security problems: Threats to most common security services like confidentiality, integrity and availability may happen at the network layer. Attacks like eavesdropping, Man in - the middle, DoS/DDoS, Network Intrusion are common threats at this layer.

### Heterogeneity:

Due to the use of different technologies and protocols security and network coordination is hard to maintain. Thus, making the system vulnerable.

## Scalability Issues

IoT comprises of a large number of devices, and more devices may enter or leave the network at different times which raises issues like lack of authentication, network congestion etc. It also depletes a lot of resources.

### Data Disclosure

By using social engineering techniques the adversary might be able to obtain sensitive information from the network. As these devices collectively have vast amounts of data, using specific data retrieval techniques, it is easy to extract information from the nodes.

Application layer security problems This layer needs different security standards as per the application requirements, which makes the task of securing the application hard and complicated. Some of the security and privacy issues at this layer are :

### Mutual authentication and node identification

Each application has a different set of users which require various degrees of access privileges. Thus, to prevent any illegal access effective authentication schemes should be applied.

### Information Privacy

User privacy[4] plays a significant role in each communication. Sometimes the techniques which are being used to process data might be vulnerable which leads to data loss and over a long term can do considerable damages to the system.

### Data Management

Due to substantial data collections, the system complexity increases which require a lot of resources and sophisticated algorithms to manage data and may also result in data loss.

### Application Specific Vulnerabilities

While developing modules for an application some vulnerabilities might be left behind which are unknown to the user. These can be exploited by the adversary later on.

### III. CASE STUDY :

#### SMART HOME TECHNOLOGY

Smart Home is becoming increasingly popular recently [5]. Gartner’s IT Hype Cycle 2016 Report identifies that smart connected home is an emerging technology. By 2022 a typical house could contain 500 or more intelligent devices. Smart Home has the vision of adding intelligence to everyday home objects, such as appliances, door locks, surveillance cameras, furniture, garage doors, and so on and making them communicate with existing cyber-infrastructure. The addition of intelligence to physical objects offers many benefits to better human

lives, including increased convenience, safety, security, and efficient usage of natural resources. For example, the Smart Home can adjust the blinds to save energy based on the environmental changes, automatically open the garage door when it senses an authorised vehicle approaching, or automatically order medical service when an emergency is detected. In Smart Home, traditional physical home devices become a part of the extension of the existing Internet. The consequence can be severe if the machines compromise. For example, successfully hacking smart lock will enable strangers to enter the house; compromising of baby monitors can scare babies remotely by strangers; hacking microwave can cause a fire at home. Owners of Smart Home may not want to live in Smart Home if security is a concern. Instead, they may expect to improve the safety of the house by using smart surveillance services. However, continuously collecting data from Smart Home devices can reveal private activities of homeowners as indicated in [6,7]. It poses severe threats to the homeowner’s privacy.



Fig 2: Smart Home Devices

Smart home controller like cell phones are used to control and manage the devices[8] using IoT. Most the appliance in the kitchen are smart, example like refrigerator, microwaves, dishwasher etc. In the living room starting from the smart TV, it goes on with a smart lighting system. IoT plays a major role in connecting all the smart systems with a controller. Then the ways and the services provided are discussed.

## ALGORITHMS AND METHODS

The interactive home environment is being created by different algorithms and methods. Artificial Neural Networks are used to detect and recognise the resident's pattern. Another model of the neural network is human behaviour modelling. Neural networks are popular because they don't require prior knowledge about the systems.

Distributed intelligent systems are multi-agent systems, which cooperate by sharing knowledge. Each agent is responsible for its domain area. Hence health monitoring from remote is made possible.

Bayesian statistics also helps in developing remote access of the inhabitant's locations and their conditions. These methods use the last known sensor state to improve the accuracy of the location prediction. They also use the immediate state to predict the future.

Case Base Reasoning and prediction algorithms make decisions. Context awareness can be achieved by these algorithms. Active Lezi and other predictive algorithms work the previous history for predicting the next activities. Recent changes in the user's behavior are also considered by the systems. Fuzzy logic is far better than the binary logic in controlling the home appliance. Fuzzy logic uses multi-valued logic for reasoning. Recent changes in user behavior will also reflect in the system.

Finally, image processing methods also help in human activity recognition. The skin colour of the face and hand tracing helps to do the process of image processing. The future smart home is likely to adopted image processing. Intelligent homes are devoted to provide safety and comfort for older

adults.

The above discussed algorithms and methods used in smart home applications is given in the table below.

**Table 1: Algorithms and Methods used in smart homes**

| Algorithms and Methods           | Purposes                                    |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Artificial Neural Networks       | Predicts the future states of home          |
| Detects the daily activities     |                                             |
| Distributed intelligent systems  | Health monitoring                           |
| Hidden Markov model              | Behavioural model created                   |
| Bayesian Statistics              | To determine the location                   |
| Summarization algorithm          | Changes in the system are tracked           |
| Statistical Predictive algorithm | Predict the daily life activities           |
| Active LeZi Data compression     | Predicting the next activities              |
| Case Base Reasoning              | Makes decisions based on the previous state |
| Fuzzy logic                      | Home appliance control                      |

## SMART HOME UTILITIES AND SERVICES

Smart home technology has significant improvement in health care like patient monitoring[9,10], telemedicine, and wellness monitoring. Smart home keeps on tracking the user's state and generate an alarm when an abnormal vital sign is detected.

Table 2 represents the summary of smart home utilities and services. The smart home is providing a wide range of services which provides satisfaction for the consumers. Additional research has been required for service to be cost-effective, efficient and acceptable.

Table 2: Smart home utilities and Services

| Services                           | Functions                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| To provide comfort                 | Lighting, temperature                                                                      |
| According to the resident's desire |                                                                                            |
| Remote access monitoring           | Appliance monitoring and controlling via mobile phone and computers from distance location |
| Automate the home appliance        | Voice operated home appliance                                                              |
| Wellness monitoring                | Support elderly and disabled persons from remote locations                                 |

One of the main aims of the smart home is to reduce the interaction between the user and the devices. As discussed smart homes can control parameters like light, temperature, according to the user's choice. IoT helps develop a smart home with intelligence of what next to be done.

#### IV. CONCLUSION :

Smart home technology is increasing because of industrial demand. The work explains the attacks and challenges in different layers of IoT. Also it gives a general view on the algorithms and methods used for the smart home and its utilities. In the future smart home and the IoT are becoming the centre of intelligent services.

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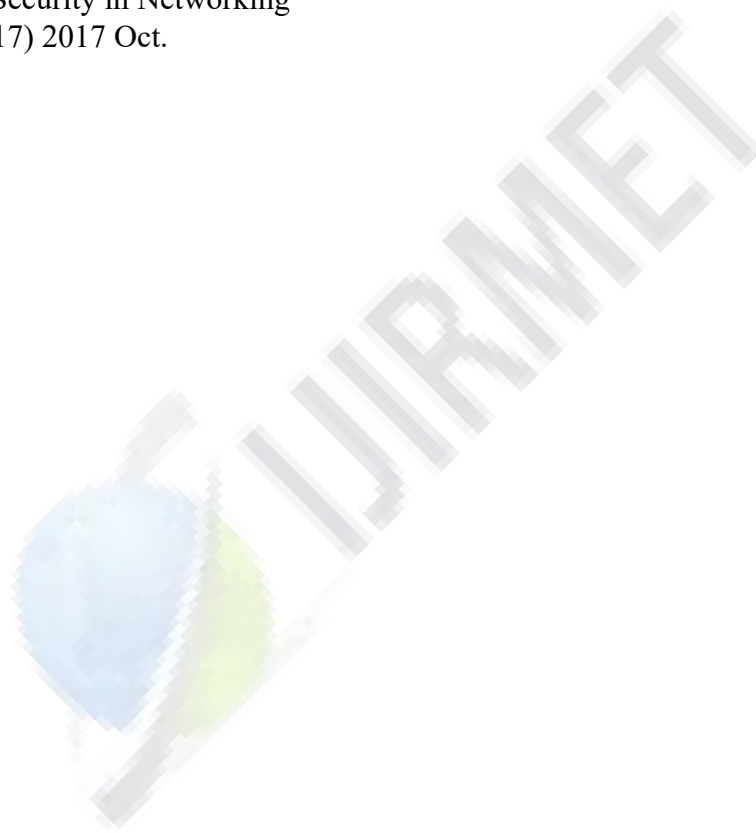
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**INTRODUCTION**

**1.1 OVERVIEW**

Today, Internet of Things (IoT) envisions the autonomous interaction of pervasive and connected, smart nodes that can offer a myriad of services. IoT devices like sensors and actuators are deployed for collecting data from various sources. These devices can gather information about environmental conditions, machine performance and customer behaviour. Real-time data monitoring using IoT can offer valuable insights to enable prompt decision-making based on latest information. As IoT devices are increasingly prevalent in homes, businesses, and critical infrastructure, the IoT nodes are turning into a goldmine of data for malicious actors. Hence ensuring their security is essential to safeguard privacy, maintain operational integrity and prevent potential harm. Today, security and the detection of compromised nodes have become a major concern in IoT networks.

Supply chain management (SCM) encompasses all ensuing activities in the movement and management of materials, products, and information throughout the entire network. Its primary goal is to optimize the overall performance and competitiveness by reducing costs, enhancing customer satisfaction, and improving efficiency. Key components and activities involved in SCM include Planning, Sourcing, Production, Transportation, Warehousing, Inventory management, Distribution, Information systems, Risk management and Collaboration and Communication. SCM has become increasingly important in today's globalized and interconnected business environment. Effective SCM can result in improved efficiency, faster time-to-market, increased profitability, and greater resilience in the face of disruptions.

In temperature - controlled supply chain system or 'cold chain network,' some of the core challenges are impact of environment, security in cold chain network, insufficient monitoring and controlling system, absence of modern technology or optimal equipment.

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