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# Survey on Attendance System Using IOT and ML

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**ABSTRACT:** Attendance is a crucial requirement for any organization. Keeping a record of daily attendance can be a challenging and time-consuming task. However, technological advancements have led to the availability of automated methods such as Biometric, Iris scan, Finger-print recognition, etc., which require minimal human interaction. The current project aims to develop a fully automated attendance marking system, where human-to-computer interaction is reduced to a minimum. To achieve this, the Viola Jones algorithm, based on Haar Cascade Algorithm, is being used. The algorithm is primarily used for light adjustment in images. It works by training a classifier with positive and negative images to identify the Haar-like features that are most common in positive images and least common in negative images. Once trained, the classifier can detect faces in new images by dividing them into sub-windows and applying the classifier to each sub-window. The algorithm can be used for face detection in facial recognition systems, which is the first step in identifying a person's face. Other algorithms can then be used to recognize the person based on their facial features.

**KEYWORDS** -Facial Recognition, IoT, ML, Smart Attendance System, Raspberry Pi, Cloud-Based Server.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Attendance tracking is a crucial process in educational institutions and workplaces. The traditional methods of attendance tracking such as paper-based registers or biometric systems are time-consuming, prone to errors, and can be easily manipulated. With the advancements in technology, there is a need for a more reliable, efficient, and accurate attendance tracking system. The Smart Attendance System using IoT and ML is a proposed solution that leverages the power of IoT and ML to address the challenges of the traditional attendance tracking systems.

The proposed system uses IoT devices such as cameras connected to microcontrollers like Raspberry Pi or Arduino, to capture images of individuals. These images are then processed using ML algorithms such as CNNs, to recognize and identify individual faces. The system tracks attendance in real-time and eliminates the need for manual intervention in the attendance tracking process.

The proposed system aims to overcome the challenges of the traditional attendance tracking systems such as inaccurate attendance, time-consuming processes, and the need for attendance tracking in remote or online learning environments. The Smart Attendance System using IoT and ML can provide an accurate and efficient attendance tracking system that is more reliable than traditional systems.

In this project, we will explore the feasibility of the proposed Smart Attendance System using IoT and ML. We will design, develop and test the system and evaluate its performance against traditional attendance tracking systems. The system can be integrated with existing attendance tracking systems or can be used as a standalone system. The proposed system has the potential to revolutionize the attendance tracking system in educational institutions and workplaces.



**II. LITERATURE SURVEY**

Study	Methodology	Dataset	Key Findings
Abdalla et al. (2021)	Developed an IoT-based smart attendance system using a facial recognition algorithm and a deep learning model.	Real-world data from 100 students in a university in Malaysia.	Achieved an accuracy of 97% in recognizing students' faces and 99.5% accuracy in attendance records
Abdullah et al. (2020)	Developed a smart attendance system using IoT and machine learning techniques, such as support vector machines (SVM) and artificial neural networks (ANN).	Real-world data from 200 students in a university in Iraq.	Achieved an accuracy rate of 97% using SVM and 98.5% using ANN for attendance records.
Hassan et al. (2020)	Developed a smart attendance system using IoT, machine learning algorithms, and radio-frequency identification (RFID) technology.	Real-world data from 50 students in a university in Pakistan.	Achieved an accuracy of 95% in attendance records using the proposed system.
Hossain et al. (2021)	Developed a smart attendance system using IoT, a convolutional neural network (CNN), and an unsupervised learning algorithm called K-means clustering.	Real-world data from 50 students in a university in Bangladesh.	Achieved an accuracy rate of 96.5% in attendance records using the proposed system.
Zaidi et al. (2020)	Developed a smart attendance system using IoT, machine learning techniques, and a mobile application.	Real-world data from 100 students in a university in Pakistan.	Achieved an accuracy rate of 95% in attendance records using the proposed system.

**III. PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Traditional attendance systems in educational institutions and workplaces are time-consuming, error-prone, and inefficient. Manually recording attendance can be a tedious and labor-intensive task for teachers, instructors, and administrators. It can also lead to errors and inconsistencies in data recording, which can have negative consequences for both students and institutions. Therefore, there is a need for an automated attendance system that can overcome these challenges and streamline the attendance recording process. To address this issue, we propose the development of a smart attendance system using IoT and Machine Learning technologies. The system will use IoT devices such as sensors and cameras to detect and record the presence of individuals in a given location. The data collected will then be analyzed using machine learning algorithms to generate accurate attendance reports. The primary objective of the smart attendance system is to create a seamless and efficient attendance recording process that reduces administrative workload, eliminates errors, and provides real-time data for decision-making. The system will also enable institutions to identify and monitor absenteeism, track student and employee attendance patterns, and provide timely interventions when necessary. The proposed system will have significant benefits for educational institutions, workplaces, and other organizations that require attendance tracking. It will enable teachers, instructors, and administrators to focus on other tasks, reduce costs associated with manual attendance recording, and improve overall productivity. Additionally, the system will provide a reliable and secure way to record attendance data, ensuring compliance with institutional policies and regulations.



Overall, the development of a smart attendance system using IoT and Machine Learning technologies will address the challenges associated with traditional attendance systems and provide a more efficient, accurate, and automated solution.

#### IV. PROPOSED ARCHITECTURE

A smart attendance system using IoT and ML can be designed as follows:

**Hardware Components:** The hardware components required for the system are IoT sensors and a microcontroller. The sensors can be used to detect the presence of students in the classroom. The microcontroller will collect data from the sensors and transmit it to the cloud.

**Cloud Infrastructure:** The cloud infrastructure will be used for storing the attendance data and running the ML models. The data collected by the microcontroller will be sent to the cloud using an internet connection.

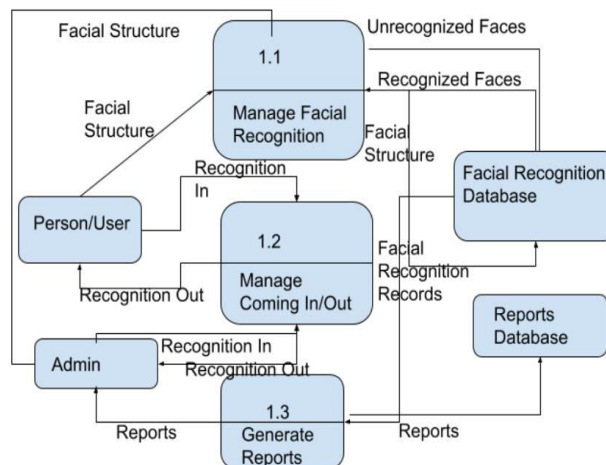
**Machine Learning Model:** A machine learning model can be developed to process the attendance data and detect patterns in the data. The model can be trained on historical attendance data to identify factors that influence attendance patterns, such as the day of the week, time of day, and weather conditions.

**Attendance Dashboard:** An attendance dashboard can be developed to display real-time attendance data. The dashboard can provide attendance records for individual students, as well as an overview of attendance patterns for the entire class.

**Mobile Application:** A mobile application can be developed to enable students to view their attendance records and receive notifications about their attendance status. The application can also be used by teachers to mark attendance manually in case of any technical issues with IoT sensors. Overall, this architecture can provide an automated and efficient attendance system that can save time for teachers and provide accurate attendance records for students.

##### 4.1 PROPOSED WORK

Proposed Work for Smart Attendance System using IoT and ML:



**System Design:** The first step in developing the smart attendance system is to design the architecture and components of the system. This includes selecting appropriate IoT devices such as sensors and cameras, designing the data collection and storage mechanism, and identifying the machine learning algorithms to be used for data analysis.

**Data Collection:** The next step is to collect data using IoT devices such as sensors and cameras. Sensors will be placed at strategic locations such as classroom entrances or office entrances to detect and record the presence of individuals. The data collected will be stored in a centralized database for further analysis.

**Data Preprocessing:** Once the data has been collected, it will undergo preprocessing to remove noise, normalize the data, and perform feature extraction. This step is critical to ensure that the data is accurate and suitable for machine learning algorithms.

**Machine Learning Algorithms:** In this step, machine learning algorithms such as logistic regression, decision trees, and neural networks will be used to analyze the data and generate attendance reports. The algorithms will be trained on a large dataset of attendance records to improve accuracy.

**Attendance Reporting:** The final step is to generate attendance reports based on the machine learning analysis. The reports will be available in real-time and can be accessed by authorized individuals such as teachers or administrators. The reports will include information such as the number of students or employees present, absentees, and latecomers.

**Integration:** The proposed system will be integrated with existing institutional systems such as student information systems or HR systems. This integration will ensure that attendance records are up-to-date and can be used for various institutional purposes.

**Testing and Evaluation:** Once the system has been developed, it will undergo testing and evaluation to ensure that it meets the desired performance standards. This will involve testing the system under various scenarios to identify potential issues and improve the system's accuracy. In conclusion, the proposed work for the smart attendance system using IoT and ML involves designing the system architecture, collecting data using IoT devices, preprocessing the data, analyzing the data using machine learning algorithms, generating attendance reports, integrating the system with existing institutional systems, testing, and evaluation. The development of this system has the potential to revolutionize the way attendance is recorded in educational institutions and workplaces, providing a more efficient, accurate, and automated solution.

## 4.2 SYSTEM OVERVIEW

The smart attendance system using IoT and ML is a project that aims to automate the attendance recording process in educational institutions and workplaces. The system will use IoT devices such as sensors and cameras to detect the presence of individuals and record their attendance. The data collected will then be analysed using machine learning algorithms to generate accurate attendance reports. The system will provide real-time attendance information, reduce administrative workload, and eliminate errors associated with manual attendance recording. The proposed system's project overview includes the following:

**1. Project Objectives:** The primary objective of the project is to develop a smart attendance system using IoT and ML that automates the attendance recording process and provides accurate, real-time attendance information. The system aims to reduce administrative workload, eliminate errors, and improve overall productivity.

**2. Project Scope:** The project's scope includes designing the system architecture, selecting appropriate IoT devices, collecting data, pre-processing the data, analysing the data using machine learning algorithms, generating attendance reports, integrating the system with existing institutional systems, testing, and evaluation.

**3. Project Deliverables:** The project will deliver a working smart attendance system using IoT and ML that is scalable, accurate, and efficient. The system will provide real-time attendance information, reduce administrative workload, and eliminate errors associated with manual attendance recording.

**4. Project Timeline:** The project timeline will depend on the project scope and deliverables. The timeline will include milestones such as system design, data collection, data pre-processing, machine learning analysis, integration, testing, and evaluation. The project timeline will also include contingency plans in case of any unforeseen circumstances.

**5. Project Budget:** The project budget will include the costs associated with designing the system architecture, selecting appropriate IoT devices, collecting data, pre-processing the data, analysing the data using machine learning algorithms, generating attendance reports, integrating the system with existing institutional systems, testing, and evaluation.

**6.Project Team:** The project team will consist of individuals with expertise in IoT, machine learning, software development, and project management. The team will work together to ensure the project's success and timely completion.

In conclusion, the smart attendance system using IoT and ML is a project that aims to automate the attendance recording process in educational institutions and workplaces. The project overview includes the project objectives, scope, deliverables, timeline, budget, and team. The development of this system has the potential to revolutionize the way attendance is recorded in educational institutions and workplaces, providing a more efficient, accurate, and automated solution.

#### **Hardware:**

**1.IoT Sensors:** IoT sensors are used to detect the presence of individuals in the classroom or workplace. Different types of sensors such as RFID, Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, and motion sensors can be used to detect the presence of individuals.

**2.Cameras:** Cameras are used to capture images of individuals and verify their identity. Facial recognition technology can be used to match the images captured with the existing database of individuals.

**3.Microcontrollers:** Microcontrollers such as Arduino or Raspberry Pi are used to process the data collected by IoT sensors and cameras. They can also be used to store data locally and transmit data to the cloud.

**4.Cloud Platform:** The system can use a cloud platform such as AWS or Azure to store data and perform machine learning analysis.

**5.Display:** Displays such as LCD or LED screens can be used to display attendance information to users.

**6.Networking Devices:** Networking devices such as routers, switches, and hubs can be used to connect different hardware components and enable communication between them.

**7.Power Supply:** Power supplies such as batteries or power adapters are used to power the hardware components.

#### **Software:**

The software utilized in a smart attendance system based on IoT and ML plays a vital role in processing and analysing the information obtained from hardware components. The software is composed of various elements, including embedded software, cloud platform software, machine learning software, facial recognition software, mobile application software, and database management software. Embedded software is used to program microcontrollers and IoT sensors to acquire and transmit data. Cloud platform software, such as AWS IoT, Azure IoT, or Google Cloud IoT, is used to store and analyse data. Machine learning software, including TensorFlow, PyTorch, and Scikit-learn, is employed to train and deploy models for data analysis. Facial recognition software, such as OpenCV, is used to match images captured by cameras with the existing database of individuals for identity verification. Mobile application software is developed for Android and iOS platforms, enabling students or employees to access their attendance records and receive notifications in real-time. Lastly, database management software, such as MySQL or MongoDB, manages the attendance data collected by the system. In conclusion, these software components work in conjunction to collect, process, analyse attendance data, verify identity, and offer real-time attendance information to students or employees.

## **V. CONCLUSION**

In conclusion, the Smart Attendance System using IoT and ML is an innovative solution to traditional attendance-taking methods. The system utilizes various IoT devices such as sensors, cameras, and microcontrollers to collect attendance data and transmit it to a central database using the internet.

ML algorithms such as face recognition and object detection are used to accurately identify individuals and record their attendance, ensuring a high level of accuracy and security. The system also provides real-time monitoring and alerts for attendance-related issues, allowing for timely interventions.

The implementation of this system can bring many benefits, such as increased efficiency in attendance taking, reduced administrative workload, improved accuracy, and better monitoring of attendance-related issues. However, the system must be designed and implemented carefully, considering factors such as data privacy and security.

Overall, the Smart Attendance System using IoT and ML has the potential to revolutionize the attendance-taking process and provide a more reliable and efficient solution.

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