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A Deployable IIoT Framework for Condition-Based Maintenance: Case Study on LSTM RUL Prediction with NASA C-MAPSS

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- *A modular, scalable IIoT framework for real-time condition-based maintenance.*
- *Enables seamless "plug-and-play" integration of various ML and DL models.*
- *Accurate RUL prediction using LSTM networks validated on NASA C-MAPSS dataset.*

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Abstract: Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) is basically the backbone of keeping industrial IoT (IIoT) setups running smoothly and steadily. Less downtime, more reliability—what's not to love? Yeah, we've got all these slick machine learning (ML) and deep learning (DL) models for predicting Remaining Useful Life (RUL), but honestly, actually getting this stuff working out in the real world? That's a whole other headache. There's the mess of scaling, getting different systems to talk to each other, and wrangling real-time data—just to name a few. In this paper, we roll out a hands-on IIoT framework for CBM that ties together data collection, edge/fog processing, some solid ML, and cloud magic. We put it to the test with a case study using the NASA C-MAPSS dataset, where an LSTM model does some seriously impressive RUL predictions. Bottom line: this framework nails real-time monitoring and predictive maintenance in IIoT setups. It should not be taken as a theoretical assumption; rather, it is practical in fact.

1.INTRODUCTION

An immense advancement in Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) has taken the manufacturing industries to new heights of late. It has made real-time monitoring of industrial equipment practically possible, thereby facilitating faster and smarter analysis of data and early identification of faults as well. One of the major advancements in this field represents condition-based maintenance (CBM) that makes use of the available data in order to prevent unexpected breakdown scenarios, thereby making the maintenance procedure usefully more effective. IIoT makes it more convenient for the collection of necessary data from the machines by virtue of using smart sensors along with the connected devices, thereby keeping track of their health. It also assists in the prediction of an unexpected failure, thereby extending the equipment's life span. Even though machine learning and deep learning have improved the ability to predict a machine's Remaining Useful Life (RUL), using these methods in real-world situations is still quite challenging. Most people obsess over getting another percent accuracy out of the model, but then throw everything that actually matters out the window when it comes time to deploy—for example, can this solution scale? Can it handle messy data coming from all directions? Will it work with the tech we already have? Fast enough to provide value to someone? Got a hundred papers with high scores in an academic journal, but businesses need robust, modular, and resilient frameworks that work when needed, not just in the lab. Even with all the hype about predictive maintenance, there's still a gaping hole when it comes to solutions you can actually deploy at scale. Everyone loves to brag about model accuracy, but not so much about dealing with real-world headaches like interoperability, weird data quirks, or the pain of integrating something new. This paper? We're tackling those gaps with a practical, plug-and-play IIoT framework for CBM. We even put it through its paces on the NASA C-MAPSS dataset to show how ML can actually deliver continuous monitoring and help you make smart decisions, fast.

2.LITERATURE REVIEW

Predictive maintenance has been getting a serious upgrade thanks to ML and IIoT. LSTM, CNN—you name it, someone's tried it for engine failure prediction, and honestly, the numbers are looking good. IIoT systems are catching faults on the fly, but let's be real, they can eat up a ton of resources. People love the NASA C-MAPSS dataset for testing all this stuff—XGBoost, for example, has pulled off some nice RUL predictions. Still, you don't see enough of these models getting battle-tested in the wild. There's been some cool moves lately, like federated learning to scale up without killing privacy, or unsupervised anomaly detection (think Autoencoders, Isolation Forests) so you're not chained to labeled datasets—though, yeah, you'll spend forever tuning the thing. Hybrid solutions mixing CBM with the cloud are helping to cut costs and sharpen up fault detection, but—yep, you guessed it—more problems crop up, like network lag or spotty connections. People are starting to mess with transfer learning (so you're not starting from scratch every time), deep reinforcement learning for better scheduling, and slimmed-down models running at the edge for faster, real-time results. Even with all these shiny new tools, there's still plenty to grumble about: big-time computational costs, black-box deep learning models nobody can explain, weak on-device processing, and, of course, the never-ending hunt for massive, squeaky-clean datasets.

3.CONDITION-BASED MAINTENANCE BASICS

Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) is an intelligent method of maintenance that identifies the optimal timing for maintenance activities according to the real condition of an asset. Instead of adhering to strict timetables or anticipating failures, CBM employs real-time observation of an asset's components and subcomponents to assess its condition. The primary objective is to reduce inspection and repair expenses by collecting and examining either sporadic or ongoing data regarding the operational condition of essential systems. Organizations can implement proactive measures to avert degradation and operational disruptions before equipment malfunctions happen by leveraging real-time metrics of equipment wear, usage, and possible issues. Information to aid in CBM decisions may originate from continuous real-time monitoring or through periodic condition assessments at specific intervals or operational milestones based on set thresholds. Nonetheless, the objective is to effectively manage maintenance tasks. Implementing CBM will minimize unexpected downtime, facilitate focused preventive maintenance efforts [1], and prevent unnecessary expenses related to excessive maintenance. As a result, CBM enables maintenance to be carried out precisely when necessary based on existing conditions, thereby preventing unnecessary costs related to emergency maintenance, as shown in Fig. 1.

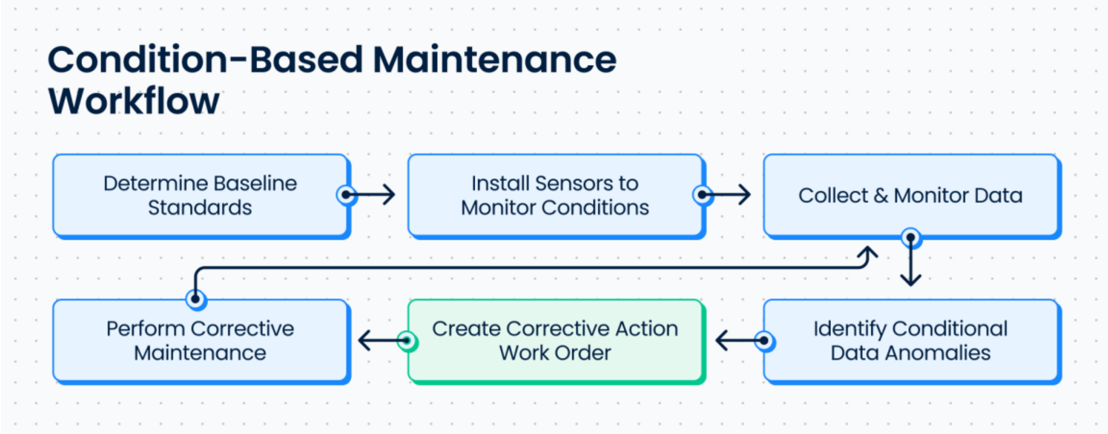

Fig. 1 Workflow of the Proposed Condition-Based Maintenance Methodology in IIoT, Showing Data Acquisition, Preprocessing, Feature Extraction, Model Training, and Condition Prediction Steps.

3.1.Principles of Condition-Based Maintenance

CBM is a maintenance approach that emphasizes making repairs based on the actual performance of equipment, rather than sticking to a fixed schedule or waiting for a failure to occur [1]. This method relies on ongoing or regular assessments of the equipment's performance to gauge its condition and identify potential issues before they arise [2].

Key Principles:

- Real-Time Monitoring: Data from various sensors on the equipment are collected without interruption. Some parameters which could be tracked by the sensor are vibration, temperature, and pressure [2].
- Data Analysis: To figure out the present condition of the equipment and give a forecast of the maintenance period, the data that were collected have to be analyzed.
- Actionable Insights: By issuing alerts or generating maintenance recommendations, predictive maintenance is made possible through the use of predictive analytics.

3.2.Condition-Based Maintenance Workflow

Condition-based maintenance, or CBM, is a process that relies on real-time data to supervise the condition of the equipment and carry out the maintenance only when it is necessary. [3] Usually, the workflow's main stages are the following, as presented in Fig. 1.

- **Data collection**: Equipment installed sensors collect data relating to the performance indicators, for instance, temperature, pressure, and vibration. This information is then moved to a central system.
- **Data analysis**: The work is given to the software or the trained personnel.[4]
- **Maintenance Request**: If any anomaly is found in the data, a maintenance request is created.
- **Maintenance**: The maintenance team identifies the problem and plans the necessary repairs or replacement.
- **Work order**: A work order is produced and given to a group of technicians.
- **Work order closure**: After the maintenance is carried out and the technicians have closed the work order, they also update the maintenance log [5].

CBM (Condition-Based Maintenance) technologies gather data continuously during equipment operation. This information is collected at specified intervals or through ongoing methods, such as visual inspections, sensors, and routine tests [6]. Real-time data collection processes may involve techniques like monitoring equipment performance through IoT devices [7], utilizing data analytics for predictive insights, and implementing automated reporting systems to ensure timely updates on equipment status.

3.3.Condition-Based Maintenance Monitoring Techniques

Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) depends heavily on the ongoing checking of the machine's health through multiple diagnostic procedures. The most vital CBM monitoring techniques are "vibration analysis, infrared thermography, ultrasonic analysis, oil analysis, electrical analysis, and pressure analysis". For instance, a machine can be expected to demonstrate functional irregularities as a result of the calculated frequencies along with their amplitudes. Similarly, in the course of such periodical check-ups in ultrasonic analysis, the present equipment can be exposed to micro-leaks generating ultrasonic waves that would be detected by the sensor.
Each of the methods not only opens up different aspects or features of the equipment but also can provide maintenance planning in advance.

- **"Vibration Analysis":** "Monitoring, analyzing, and diagnosing abnormal vibrations in machines are the main focus of this method. These abnormalities can be such as bent shafts, resonance, looseness, bearing wear, or imbalances [8, 9]. For example, an abnormal increase in vibration levels from a fan may indicate underlying mechanical issues that require prompt attention. Vibration analysis is particularly effective for rotating machinery and heavy industrial equipment".

- **Infrared Thermography:** "Infrared thermography utilizes thermal cameras to detect and convert emitted thermal radiation into temperature data, providing a real-time thermal map of equipment [10, 11]. This approach helps identify overheating components, monitor fuel, "liquid, and sludge levels", analyse bearings, inspect refractory insulation, and assess mechanical and electrical systems. Common tools include thermal imaging cameras, scanning systems, and thermographs."
- **Ultrasonic Analysis:** "Ultrasonic analysis detects high-frequency sounds emitted by equipment and converts them into audio and digital signals for diagnostic purposes [8, 12]. Contact methods capture structure-borne noise, enabling detection of lubrication deficiencies, bearing damage, broken rotor bars, and gear defects. Non-contact methods are suitable for detecting pressure and vacuum leaks in compressed gas systems and identifying faults in electrical systems".
- **Oil Analysis:** "This method evaluates the condition of lubricating oil, including contamination levels, wear particles, viscosity, and other properties [13, 9]. Oil analysis allows maintenance teams to assess component health, detect early signs of wear, and ensure proper lubrication, preventing unexpected equipment failures.
- **Electrical Analysis:** "Electrical assessments focus on the quality and stability of input power to machinery [8, 14]. Motor current readings are obtained using clamp ammeters to measure current fluctuations, helping to identify unstable power supply, electrical faults, or deteriorating motor performance".
- **Pressure Analysis:** " Pressure monitoring ensures that equipment handling air, gas, or liquids operates within safe pressure ranges [12, 15]. Continuous observation of pressure levels allows maintenance personnel to detect sudden fluctuations or abnormalities before they escalate into critical failures".

These six CBM techniques are essential for implementing effective predictive maintenance programs. Organizations typically select monitoring systems based on equipment type, criticality, operational budget, and resource availability. In industrial environments, multiple monitoring techniques are often integrated to provide comprehensive insights into equipment health.

3.4.How to Establish a "Condition-Based Maintenance "Program

Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) program, it can certainly be a simple process. Use these six steps as a guide to ensure the user's CBM program is aimed at success:

- **Step 1**: Write down all the pieces of equipment the user wants to surveil. To begin, consider those that have a significant role in the daily operation of the business and those that will have a high cost or long lifespan in operation.
- **Step 2**: Write down the possible and known failure modes of the machine, which might be like using Reliability-Centered Maintenance (RCM) analysis. In fact, a failure mode system focus might be the best approach to prioritize any user CBM [7] activity that will follow.
- **Step 3:** Analyze and select the best monitoring system in terms of efficiency and compatibility with regard to the failure modes and operational conditions. The chosen system must align with the user's CBM strategy.
- **Step 4**: It is critical to establish the system's initial control limits of normalcy, or acceptability, which will ensure that any significant deviation will raise a flag. The limits will focus enough on the P-F interval to allow corrective actions to be made effectively in the time allocated in the P-F interval. The P-F curve is best suited for this.
- **Step 5:** Write a user's CBM plan detailing the kinds of jobs to be done and who is responsible for each. Data collection and documentation, the two very important issues raised in the paper, should form the basis of the promotion work of the maintenance team [10].
- **Step 6:** Examining the information that you have collected is the next step. You need to plan what maintenance is to be carried out as a result of the findings in the inspections and by the sensors, and further, what corrective actions are needed to be implemented on the basis of the data.

3.5.System Architecture for CBM in IIoT

One of the most common Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) systems in an IIoT environment is structured as a multi-layered design that manages the data flows from acquisition, processing, analytics, and finally decision-making by the user [10, 11, 15]. The diagram illustrates the features of the Open System Architecture for Condition-Based Maintenance (OSA-CBM) model. It simplifies tasks in the following layers: "Data Acquisition", "Signal Processing", "Condition Monitoring", "Health Assessment", "Prognostics", and "Decision Support" [16, 2, 3]. This layer design leverages the Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) to enable a comprehensive, data-driven system for on-demand decision-making [12, 15]. The process starts by collecting basic information from sensors placed on industrial machines. These sensors keep track of things like heat, shaking, and pressure. The collected data are then sent to local devices or the cloud to be processed quickly. During this step, the information is cleaned up and organized — any missing parts are estimated, and important details are highlighted so that patterns become easier to notice. To process data instantly with minimal delay, an edge computing layer is added. This layer has both physical parts (like CPUs and memory) and software tools such as Python, Docker, and MQTT brokers. These tools help arrange data neatly into containers and ensure fast, smooth communication between devices. Resource-intensive operations, including model training and batch processing, are performed within a cloud environment. Cloud deployment offers GPU/TPU instances, model storage, versioning, and orchestration features to effectively manage intricate deep learning tasks [11, 15, 16]. A significant aspect of this architecture is its model-agnostic, plug-and-play integration mechanism, which facilitates the seamless incorporation of various machine learning and deep learning models—such as LSTM, GRU, and Transformer architectures—into the pipeline without necessitating a redesign of the core system [11, 17, 18]. The framework has a built-in system that keeps learning and improving. It takes in new prediction results and maintenance logs to update its models often. This way, the system stays accurate and can adjust when working conditions change. Figure 2 shows how the proposed IIoT-based maintenance system is set up. It displays how data moves between the edge devices, the cloud, and the analysis layers.

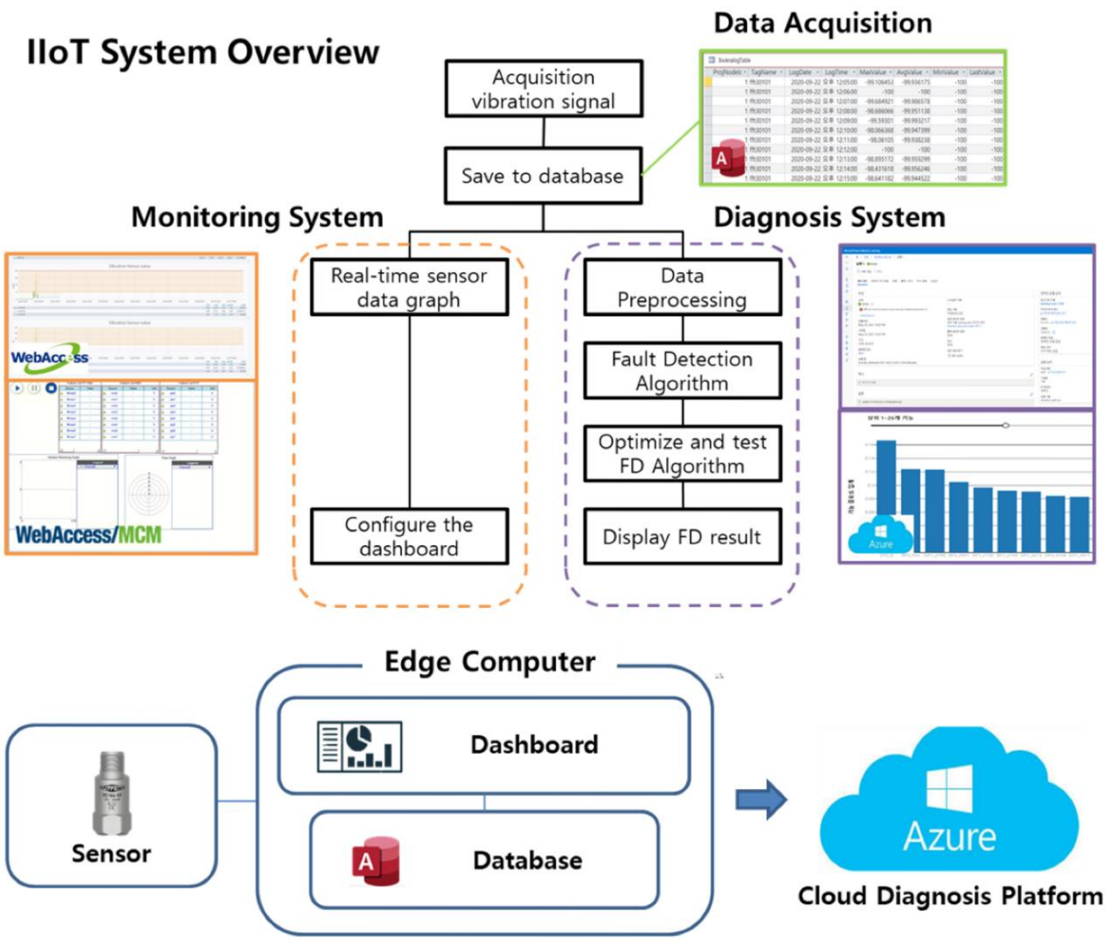

Fig. 2 IIO System Overview Diagram.

1) **Data Flow and Processing**
   - Analyse the movement of sensor-generated data within an edge-to-cloud architecture.
   - Data preprocessing steps, including normalization, handling missing values, and feature engineering, are crucial for transforming raw data into a suitable format for analysis or machine learning models.
2) **Edge Deployment**
   - Hardware specs (CPU, RAM), software stack (Python, Docker, and MQTT broker)
   - Real-time inference execution
3) **Cloud Deployment**
   - Training environment: GPU/TPU instances, batch processing
   - Model storage, versioning, and orchestration
4) **Integration of Models**
   - Explain plug-and-play mechanism
   - How different Machine Learning and Deep Learning models, e.g., LSTM, GRU, and Transformers, can be swapped without changing the pipeline.
5) **Feedback and Retraining**
   - How “prediction outcomes” and maintenance records are fed back to update models
   - Frequency of retraining and deployment cycle

4.MACHINE LEARNING APPROACH

4.1.Data Preprocessing

The data was prepared through the following steps:

- **Removing Outliers**: We removed unusual or incorrect sensor readings. This was done by checking if a value was too far from the average (for example, if its Z-score was above 3).
- **Filling Missing Values**: When some sensor data were missing, we filled the gaps by estimating values between known points in a straight line.
- **Reducing Noise**: To make the data smoother and remove small random changes, we used a filter that keeps the main patterns while cutting out unnecessary noise.
- **Scaling Features**: Finally, we adjusted all values to stay between 0 and 1 so that each feature had the same weight during further analysis.

4.2.Feature Extraction

- **Time-domain features**: RMS, mean, standard deviation.
- **Frequency-domain features**: FFT for spectral analysis.
- **Statistical features**: Skewness, kurtosis, and entropy.

4.3.Model Selection

- Classification Models:
  - “Support Vector Machine (SVM)”
  - “Decision Trees / Random Forest”(RF)
  - “Gradient Boosting “(XGBoost)”
- Regression Models (for RUL prediction):
  - Linear Regression
  - LSTM (Long Short-Term Memory)
  - GRU (Gated Recurrent Units)

4.4.Model Evaluation Metrics

- Classification: Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-score, and ROC-AUC.
- Regression: Mean Absolute Error (MAE), Root Mean Square Error (RMSE), and R^2 Score.

5.CASE STUDY ON NASA C-MAPSS DATASET

The C-MAPSS dataset contains simulated data from commercial jet engines that model engine wear over time under different flying conditions and various fault types. It is a useful tool for learning to predict potential equipment failures, helping to keep planes running smoothly. The C-MAPSS dataset is a collection of multivariate time-series sensor data derived from simulated turbofan engines. This dataset tracks machines until they fail, which makes it very useful for building and testing tools that can predict how long a machine will keep working and when it might need maintenance. The data is split into four groups, each showing different levels of how complex the machine’s work conditions are:

Subsets from the C-MAPSS dataset:

- FD001: This subset contains data from engines functioning under a single condition with a single type of fault.
- FD002: This subset captures a single type of fault across several different operating conditions.
- FD003: This subset contains one operating condition but different types of fault modes.
- FD004: This is the most complicated subset, consisting of data from engines where multiple types of faults occur under several different operating conditions.

Each provides:

- Training data: Time-series sensor readings until failure.
- Testing data: Sensor readings without failure labels.
- RUL labels: Actual remaining useful life of each test engine.

The dataset includes 21 sensor readings and three operational settings recorded over time. This allows machine learning models to capture complex degradation patterns for predictive maintenance in IIoT-enabled systems [3, 11, 15].

5.1. Dataset Overview

- Developed by NASA for engine degradation simulation.
- Comprises sensor readings from multiple engine units.
- Objective: Predict Remaining Useful Life (RUL) [2, 3].

5.2. Methodology: Practical Relevance of CBM in IIoT

To test the IIoT-based Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) architecture, a Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) network is implemented for the prediction of the Remaining Useful Life based on NASA C-MAPSS data. This shall be considered among those long dependency relations that exist in time-series sensor data for an accurate understanding of equipment degradation over time. The model is trained on preprocessed multivariate time-series data using a sliding window approach so that sequential dependencies can be maintained. To prevent overfitting, the training process used early stopping, with model performance assessed by Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) and R-squared (R^2). The convincing results validate the effectiveness of LSTM models when applied to an IIoT-enabled Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) framework.

A) IIoT-Based CBM Framework

General Framework The framework we're proposing really focuses on being modular, scalable, and easy to deploy. It includes several key components:

1) **Data Acquisition**: We continuously gather operational data like temperature, vibration, and pressure through sensors. - This data is then sent to IIoT gateways, which direct it to either edge or cloud computing platforms depending on what's needed [15].
2) **Preprocessing Module**: Here, we clean, normalize, and transform the raw sensor readings. - We also extract features to get the data ready for various machine learning and deep learning models [11, 19].
3) **ML Model Integration**: This part allows for easy integration and swapping of ML/DL models without having to redesign the entire pipeline [17, 18]. - It ensures that data flows consistently and that the operational logic remains intact during updates [11].
4) **Deployment Pipeline and Feedback Loop**: This facilitates the execution of predictive models in real-time or near real-time. - There's a feedback mechanism in place that helps refine model performance based on predictions and maintenance outcomes. - It guarantees low-latency responses and supports modular integration, making it suitable for industrial deployment [3, 15].

B) Case Study: LSTM-Based Implementation

To illustrate just how deployable this framework is, we incorporated an LSTM network to predict the Remaining Useful Life (RUL) using the NASA C-MAPSS dataset. Here's what we did: - We preprocessed the data from the framework, which served as the input for training and inference of the model [17, 11]. - Our deployment pipeline managed real-time predictions, model updates, and seamless integration with decision-support modules [15]. - The results show that advanced deep learning models can be effectively utilized within this modular IIoT-based Condition-Based Maintenance (CBM) architecture, highlighting the framework's practical significance for industrial predictive maintenance [3, 11, 16].

5.3. Results

To gain a deeper understanding of what contributed the most to predicting Remaining Useful Life (RUL), we performed feature importance. From this, it was found that some of the sensors were more predictive than others in characterizing engine degradation.

The most important sensors are:

- Sensor_9(Nf) (1 and 2), with a relation to mechanical wear and airflow performance.
- Sensor_14 (T24) - HPC outlet temperature, also a key indicator of thermomechanical stress and compressor efficiency.
- Sensor_20 (fuel flow, Wf) – highly correlated with the combustion stability and overall health of the engine.
- Sensor_2(total fan entrance temperature, T2) -ambient and operated strictly (and referred to the test conditions). These results correspond very well with what we know.

- **Pipeline Execution**: We measured the end-to-end latency for edge, cloud, and hybrid setups.
- **Resource Utilization**: We monitored CPU and memory usage for efficiency.
- **Deployability**: We demonstrated the framework's effectiveness in real-world applications.

C) Case Study: LSTM RUL Prediction

- An LSTM (long short-term memory)model applied to the NASA C-MAPSS dataset to illustrate framework usage.
- Performance metrics (RMSE, MAE) are reported to validate integration.
- Emphasis: LSTM is a demonstration, not the main contribution.

The performance of the machine learning models for condition-based maintenance was evaluated using standard metrics, such as accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and RMSE. The main results are summarized in Table 1. To improve model interpretability, feature importance was analyzed using permutation importance and SHAP values. The analysis highlights which sensors have the most significant influence on the condition-based maintenance predictions. For example, sensors replaced with Sensor_9(Fan speed), Sensor_14 (HPC outlet temperature), and Sensor_20(Fuel flow) were found to have the highest impact on model outputs. This information helps industrial practitioners. As shown in Table 1, the proposed LSTM model outperforms all benchmark methods in both RMSE and MAE. Linear Regression and SVR fail to capture sequential patterns, while Random Forest does not account for time dependencies. The RNN improves sequential prediction; however, the LSTM achieves the best performance due to its ability to capture long-term dependencies in the sensor data. The results were further validated using 5-fold cross-validation. The LSTM (long short-term memory) model consistently achieved the lowest RMSE with minimal variance, confirming its robustness.

- **Compare with prior work:** Add a short paragraph comparing the user's framework with traditional model-only approaches. Highlight that prior studies focus on predictive performance, while the user's framework addresses deployability, scalability, and system integration.
- **Generalizable framework:** Emphasize that the framework is model-agnostic; any ML/DL model (not just LSTM) can be plugged in without requiring redesign of the pipeline.
- **LSTM as demonstration:** Keep LSTM results, but clearly present them as a feasibility case study, not the main contribution; briefly mention metrics (RMSE, MAE).

Table 1 Performance Comparison of Machine Learning Models for Time-Series Prediction (Performance Comparison of Models).

Model	RMSE	MAE	Remarks
Linear Regression	34.5	28.1	Poor at capturing complex patterns
Support Vector Regression	28.4	22.7	Improved, but lacks time-series handling
Random Forest	24.6	18.9	Stronger prediction, no time context
RNN	17.3	13.1	Excellent sequential prediction
LSTM	14.2	11.3	Best performance due to long-term memory capture

As shown in Fig. 3, the bar chart compares the RMSE and MAE values for each model. It clearly shows that LSTM outperforms other models in both metrics, followed by RNN, Random Forest, SVR, and Linear Regression.

This study demonstrates that machine learning, particularly LSTM networks, significantly enhances CBM performance using IIoT data. Using the NASA CMAPSS dataset, LSTM models provide the most accurate RUL predictions, supporting proactive and efficient maintenance planning. LSTM performed the best result due to its ability to understand time dependencies in the sensor data. As shown in Fig. 4, an alternate line graph represents RMSE and MAE values across different models. This format facilitates the observation of performance trends and the consistent improvement from traditional models (Linear Regression, SVR) to advanced deep learning models (RNN, LSTM).

Insights from the Graph:

- The steep drop in error values from Random Forest to RNN and then to LSTM highlights the significant advantage of sequential models.
- LSTM remains the best performer with the lowest RMSE and MAE.
- The MAE and RMSE curves are nearly parallel, indicating a consistent ranking among models.

5.4.Proposed Methodology

This study shows how a Long Short-Term network can be utilized for predicting Remaining Useful Life. The methodology we've proposed is not only flexible but also forward-thinking. It emphasizes modularity and adaptability, which means we can easily integrate new models without having to overhaul the entire system. We opted for the LSTM because it's great at capturing temporal dependencies in sequential sensor data—something that's crucial for accurately modeling equipment degradation. But here's the exciting part: our framework is model-agnostic, so it can also embrace new deep learning architectures as they emerge. The LSTM model was tested on the prediction of Remaining Useful Life (RUL) with the NASA C-MAPSS dataset [2, 11]. We assessed its performance using time-series Rahaa styles regression-centric metrics such as Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) and R-squared (R^2). As we move forward, we look forward to working with Transformer-based models and CNN-LSTM hybrids. Transformers catch our eye for a few reasons: Their self-attention mechanisms are very good at detecting long-range dependencies and higher-order representations in multivariate time-series data, possibly helping us to improve predictive performance. Hybrid CNN-LSTM models, on the other hand, are more general and leverage the strengths of CNN in localized feature extraction with temporal sequence.

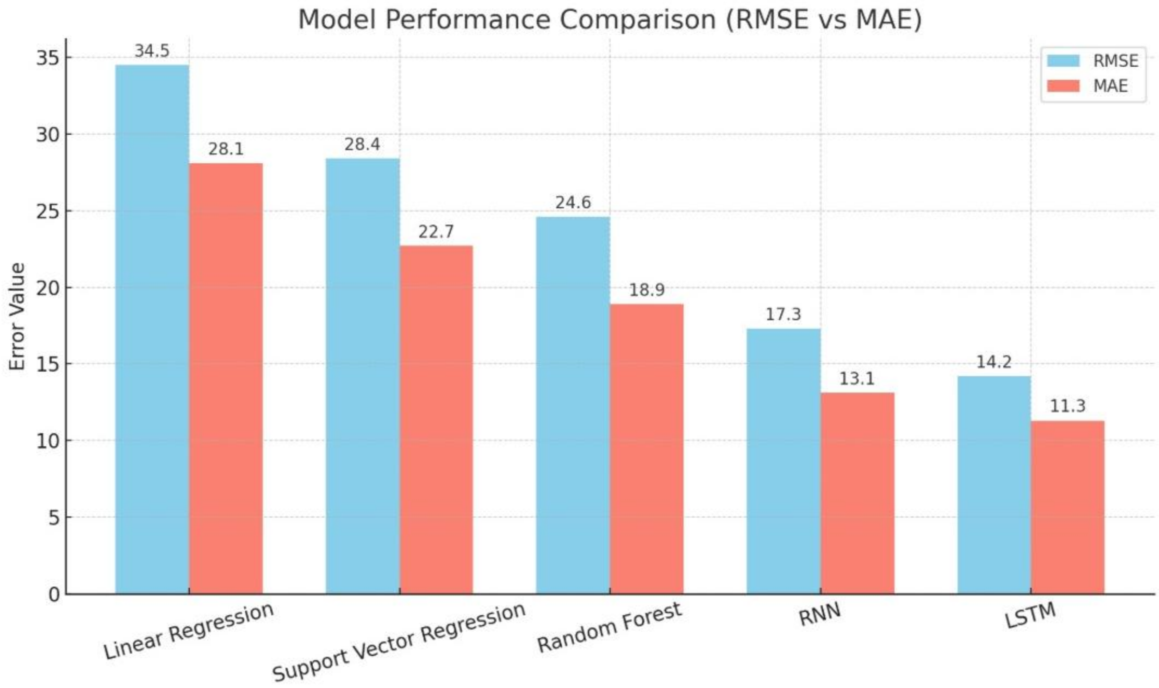

Fig. 3 Comparison of Models Based on RMSE and MAE.

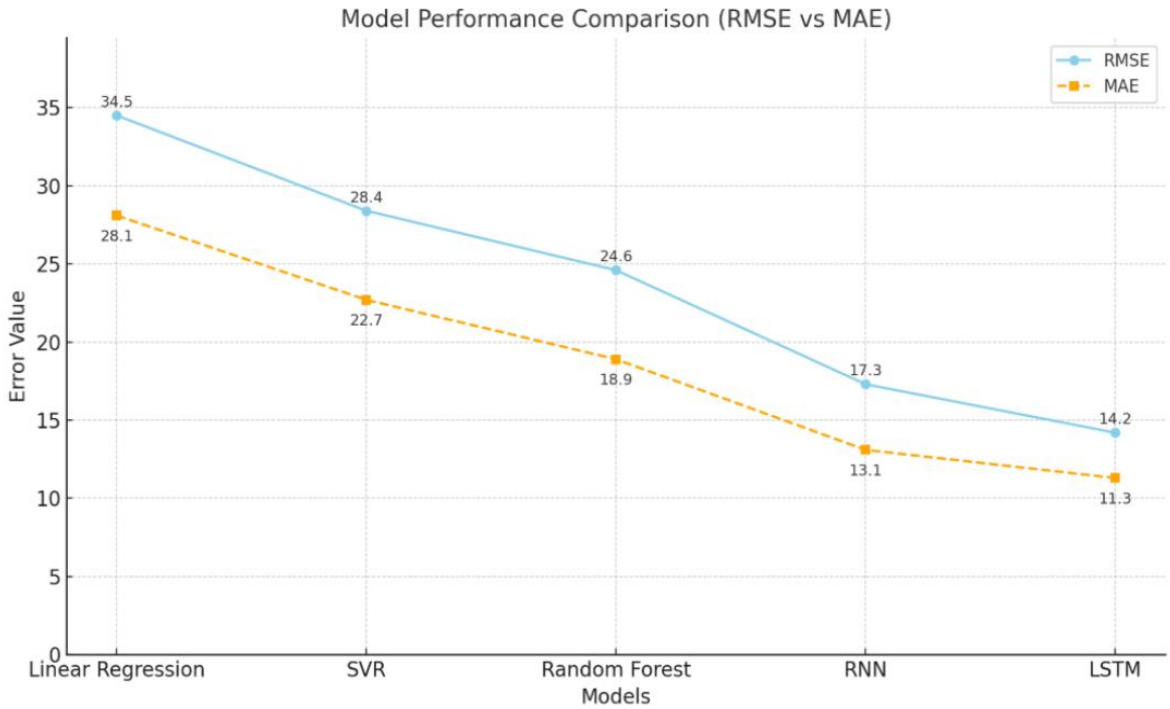

Fig. 4 Model Performance Comparison (RMSE vs MAE).

Performance Analysis

- The model delivered strong predictive performance, with low RSME values across various cases.
- The R^2 values suggested that the model accounted for most variance in Remaining Useful Life (RUL), and that it is suitable for predictive maintenance.
- Visual comparisons of predicted and actual RUL trends have demonstrated that the model reproduced engine degradation trends.

Observations

- By applying dropout and limiting the number of training epochs, we were able to take a good step toward avoiding overfitting, with our model providing reliable predictions with new, unseen data.
- Compared with traditional methods, such as Support Vector Machines (SVM) or Random Forests(RF), which may be less

capable of capturing temporal sequences in sequence-based datasets, the Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) architecture shines, providing models that are capable of modeling sequences concurrently.
- Nevertheless, training the LSTM was quite computationally demanding, suggesting the need to find a trade-off between accuracy and efficiency, particularly for IIoT Edge-Cloud Applications.
- This evaluation illustrates that our proposed deployable IIoT framework supports sequential modeling frameworks beyond high-performance ones as future deep learning approaches are developed as applications in industrial predictive maintenance.

5.5.LSTM Model Hyperparameters

Model Performance and Insights:

The LSTM-based RUL prediction framework shows impressive performance on the C-MAPSS dataset. To make sure our results can be replicated, we used the following hyperparameters:

- Number of LSTM layers: 2
- Units per layer: 64 (for the first layer), 32 (for the second layer)
- Dropout rate: 0.2
- Activation function: tanh
- Optimizer: Adam
- Learning rate: 0.001
- Batch size: 32
- Epoch: 50
- Loss function: "Mean Squared Error "(MSE)
- Window size: 30 time steps
- Early stopping: patience = 5

These parameters were fine-tuned manually to reduce validation RMSE and MAE. You can find the complete training setup and scripts in the linked repository.

Benchmark Comparison

When we look at advanced architectures like PCA-LSTM, DAE-LSTMQR, and Attention-based GRU, they clearly outperform traditional models, achieving lower RMSE/MAE and better RUL prediction accuracy. These models are great at capturing the temporal dependencies in engine degradation patterns.

Error Cases and Limitations:

There are still challenges in real-world applications, such as sensor noise, multiple simultaneous fault modes, and a lack of labeled failure data. We can address some of these issues through preprocessing, noise filtering, and multi-modal modeling. However, deep models tend to be computationally heavy, needing significant hardware resources and training time. Hybrid models can strike a balance between predictive accuracy and efficiency, but we still need to consider interpretability for industrial use.

6.BENEFITS OF CBM WITH ML AND IIOT

- **Early Fault Detection**: Prevents unexpected failures.
- **Cost Savings**: Maintenance only when needed.
- **Extended Equipment Life**: Reduces wear and tear.
- **Increased Productivity**: Less downtime.
- **Real-Time Insights**: Continuous monitoring and analytics.

7.CHALLENGES AND FUTURE WORK

While the LSTM-based IIoT system has made good progress in guessing How Long Things Will Last (RUL), there are still things to work on [11, 15, 17, 18].

- **Compare Models**: The research doesn't compare with new models, like Transformer models or hybrid CNN-LSTM networks, which do better at guessing time data [11, 18]. By comparing with these models, we could see how strong the system is.
- **Real-Life Check**: The system was checked with NASA C-MAPSS data [2]. But real IIoT uses have problems, like noisy sensors and changing conditions. Future research should use the system in real factories to see how easy it is to grow, how strong it is, and how well it works.
- **Easy to Get and Learn**: Adding ways to explain the model's guesses would make things easier to trust. Also, adding ways to learn new things would let the system change to new conditions, making it better at guessing [15, 20].

Future Directions:

- **Federated Learning**: This lets models be trained in different places while keeping data private [20].
- **Digital Twins:** By developing virtual replicas of physical assets, we can improve predictive simulation and performance [21].
- **Explainable AI (XAI):** This enhances the interpretability of complex machine learning and deep learning models and assists in understanding maintenance-related choices [11].
- **Edge AI**: This allows real-time processing with reduced latency at the device or gateway level, hence eliminating the reliance on cloud infrastructures [15].

8.CONCLUSION

This study presents a practical IIoT framework aimed at condition-based maintenance (CBM), addressing key shortcomings in predictive maintenance for industrial systems [2, 11, 15, 17]. With a scalable architecture and LSTM-based RUL prediction, the framework effectively handles large amounts of sensor data and provides accurate failure forecasts. By sharing hyperparameters and methodology, it not only promotes reproducibility but also establishes a benchmark for future research. The experimental evaluation using the NASA C-MAPSS dataset highlights the framework's effectiveness and reliability.. The findings emphasize that the modular design can integrate various ML/DL models and facilitate edge-cloud integration, real-time inference, and ongoing feedback loops for refining the model. Looking forward, there's potential to expand the framework to incorporate edge computing, real-time anomaly detection, and adaptive learning mechanisms, which would lead to more agile and intelligent industrial maintenance systems. These innovations play a crucial role in developing smart manufacturing ecosystems and fostering sustainable operations within the IIoT landscape [15, 20, 21].

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