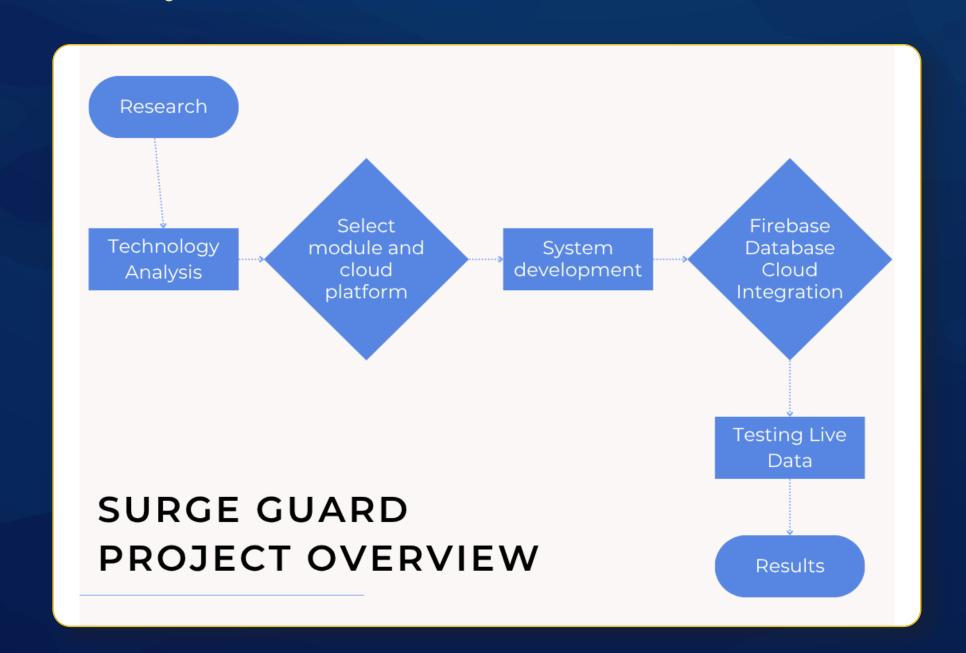


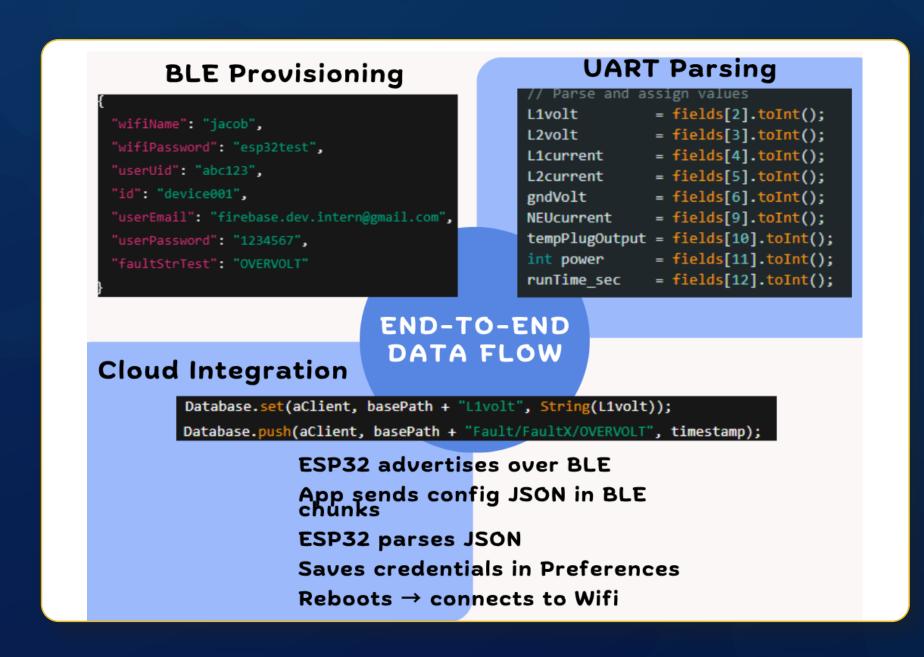
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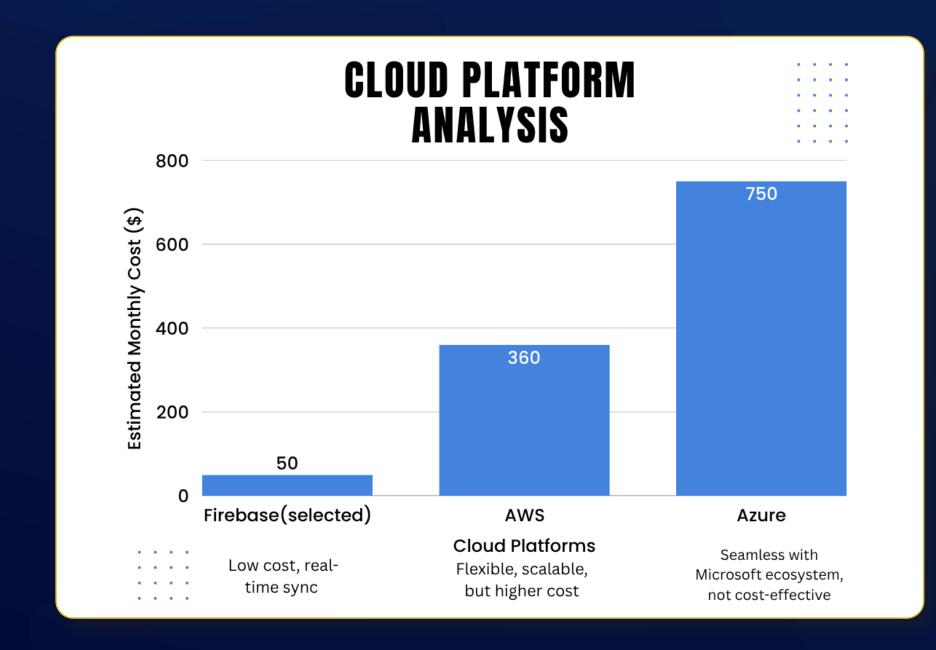


Upgrading SurgeGuard: Cloud-Connected ESP32 for Real-Time Monitoring

Enhancing an electrical monitoring device by integrating an ESP32 with Wi-Fi, BLE, and Firebase Cloud Database. Enabling users to remotely track voltage, current, and fault history in real time through a mobile app.







Module Comparison		
Module	Pros	Cons
ESP32-C6-MINI (Selected)	Lowest overall cost, reliable BLE + Wi-Fi, strong community and Arduino/ESP- IDF support.	Limited memory compared to larger ESP32 variants.
ESP32-WROOM- 32E-N16	Stable performance and widely adopted, supports multiple cloud platforms.	Higher cost (~\$4,856) makes it less efficient for scaling.
ESP32-WROOM- 32E-N4	Good stability, broad cloud compatibility, solid programming ecosystem.	Still expensive (~\$4,107) compared to C3-MINI.
Realtek RTL8720DN	Very low unit price and supports MQTT/HTTPS connections.	Low adoption, SDK less mature, and supply is inconsistent.

