

Wireless Biosignal Monitoring System as Solution to Fiberoptic Cable Degradation in Critical Care Settings

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Abstract: Current intensive care infrastructure relies heavily on tethered fiberoptic networks that are susceptible to physical degradation, compromising data integrity and patient safety. bility (Diomidous et al., 2020). Furthermore, these wireless platforms resolve critical limitations of conventional patient monitors, such as excessive auditory alarm fatigue and the persistent requirement for continuous visual proximity to bedside interfaces (Andrade et al., 2020, p. 1). By enabling the seamless transmission of physiological data via wearable sensors, these systems facilitate enhanced alarm response rates and significantly reduce the time required for clinical interventions (Ma et al., 2025, p. 341; Nathan, 2019). Moreover, these wearable devices enable the continuous, non-invasive acquisition of vital signs, bridging the monitoring gap between intensive care units and standard hospital wards (Angelucci et al., 2025; Chen, 2025). Despite these advancements, widespread adoption requires rigorous clinical validation to ensure that signal fidelity remains robust against the electromagnetic interference common in high-acuity environments (Kotamarthy et al., 2025; Leenen et al., 2020, p. 1). Advanced data-processing algorithms must be integrated into these architectures to distinguish physiological signals from ambient environmental noise, ensuring the reliability necessary for life-critical decision-making (Murali et al., 2020, p. 1; Xu et al., 2021, p. 394). Furthermore, the integration of these systems into existing electronic health records remains a logistical hurdle that requires standardized interoperability protocols to support informed clinical decision-making (Bhalsod et al., 2025).

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I. INTRODUCTION

Traditional patient monitoring in intensive care units relies heavily on physical cabling, which is prone to mechanical fatigue, signal attenuation, and the persistent hazard of inadvertent disconnection (Imhoff, 2004; Paksuniemi et al., 2005).

Beyond these mechanical vulnerabilities, the reliance on tethered interfaces frequently leads to nursing staff spending excessive hours troubleshooting sensor disconnections and equipment malfunctions (Jorge et al., 2022, p. 1).

Furthermore, the inherent complexity of managing entangled fiberoptic lines complicates patient mobilization and increases the risk of contamination in sterile environments (Poncette et al., 2020, p. 7). Transitioning to wireless biosignal acquisition architectures mitigates these

physical constraints by eliminating the need for fragile fiberoptic conduits, thereby reducing both the risk of hardware failure and patient discomfort (Chen et al., 2014, p. 2). By leveraging wireless-enabled processor modules, these systems facilitate real-time data transmission through computationally efficient filtering and compression algorithms, ensuring high-fidelity signal acquisition without the structural dependencies of physical tethers (Farshchi et al., 2007). However, implementing these decentralized architectures necessitates robust mitigation strategies to manage signal collisions and external electromagnetic interference from other medical devices (Campolo, 2010, p. 607; Vostrikova et al., 2022, p. 953). Addressing these challenges requires the integration of advanced signal processing techniques, such as frequency hopping and adaptive modulation, to ensure reliable, high-integrity biotelemetry in dense clinical environments. Moreover, these systems must balance high-throughput data transmission with

stringent power constraints to minimize electromagnetic radiation exposure to the patient, ensuring both biological safety and long-term operational viability (Atta, 2021, p. 241). Beyond clinical reliability, such wireless infrastructures offer a scalable solution for remote observation in both rural and decentralized care scenarios, expanding the utility of continuous biosignal monitoring (Chokkalingam & Murugaiyan, 2023, p. 116; Ochoa et al., 2015). Integrating these pervasive sensing technologies into existing critical care workflows also addresses the persistent limitations of manual data entry, which is often hindered by observer subjectivity and potential human error (Davoudi et al., 2022, p. 773387). Automated analysis of these continuous data streams allows for the implementation of predictive statistical models that identify physiological patterns of deterioration far earlier than intermittent manual assessments (Khanna et al., 2019, p. 196).

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Current research underscores that reliance on legacy monitoring interfaces often impedes patient mobility and creates unnecessary physical barriers to clinical care (Ede et al., 2020, p. 103157). By transitioning to wireless architectures, healthcare facilities can mitigate the risks associated with signal loss and reduce the time elapsed between physiological data acquisition and clinical intervention (Han et al., 2022, p. 1). These wireless configurations effectively minimize hardware-related complications by replacing fragile, tethered cabling with robust transmission protocols like Bluetooth, which has demonstrated high reliability in maintaining continuous data streams during acute care (Hofer & Cannesson, 2016). Moreover, the integration of body-worn sensor networks facilitates the real-time, low-power transmission of vital parameters, thereby enhancing the efficacy of remote diagnostic platforms (Ezeigweneme et al., 2024, p. 23). By bypassing physical connectivity limitations, these IoT-integrated systems also alleviate the logistical burden on medical professionals by streamlining the transmission of vital signs to cloud-based diagnostic interfaces (Mawale et al., 2024, p. 3522). Nevertheless, the transition toward these architectures requires a careful balance between optimizing energy efficiency for prolonged monitoring and maintaining the stringent computational demands of real-time edge processing (Wandwi, 2025, p. 2). Innovative approaches, such as ripple-based local recovery and erasure-coding, have been proposed to ensure data integrity during transmission despite the absence of a permanent physical connection (Hu et al., 2009, p. 464). Furthermore, the incorporation of edge computing allows these systems to execute resource-consuming diagnostic algorithms locally, pre-processing raw biosignals before relaying them to centralized monitoring hubs (Cosoli et al., 2020, p. 107795, 2021, p. 109247). Beyond local processing, the implementation of hybrid communication protocols—utilizing both low-energy standards for sensor data and high-bandwidth channels for burst transmissions—ensures seamless connectivity even in the dense electromagnetic environments typical of modern hospitals (Ianculescu et al., 2025; Meftah et al., 2024). Recent studies confirm that such sophisticated IoT frameworks are

crucial for minimizing latency and ensuring high accuracy in critical health alerts, thereby significantly improving overall patient outcomes (Sathiya et al., 2025). Additionally, the deployment of intelligent sensor networks enables a proactive healthcare paradigm, where edge intelligence facilitates real-time data classification and anomaly detection to support rapid clinical decision-making (Mishraa & Lal, 2025). By integrating artificial intelligence and machine learning, these platforms can further analyze massive volumes of health data to uncover patterns and make accurate predictive assessments (El-deep et al., 2025). These predictive frameworks are further bolstered by advancements in edge intelligence, which enable localized, high-speed processing that minimizes latency and satisfies the rigorous power constraints necessary for continuous patient monitoring (Amin & Hossain, 2020; Bhuvaneswari et al., 2025).

III. METHODOLOGY

The proposed study employs a prospective evaluation of wireless epidermal patches integrated into existing hospital IoT nodes to monitor patient vital signs in real-time (Nunes et al., 2024). These devices are designed to continuously track electrocardiogram, respiratory rate, and oxygen saturation, providing a unified data visualization platform for clinical assessment (Lee et al., 2023). The system architecture utilizes a smart gateway to aggregate data from these unobtrusive sensors, ensuring seamless interoperability by feeding patient status directly into established electronic health record infrastructures (Famá et al., 2022). By incorporating edge computing at these gateway nodes, the system reduces latency by processing diagnostic algorithms locally, significantly enhancing the responsiveness of clinical alerts in time-sensitive monitoring scenarios (Kanungo, 2025). To ensure system reliability, the framework employs an adaptive frequency-hopping mechanism to mitigate signal degradation caused by co-located medical equipment (Varma et al., 2024). This architecture further optimizes bandwidth and energy consumption by performing initial data filtering and anomaly detection directly at the edge layer (Pace et al., 2018, p. 481; Swathi et al., 2025). This risk-stratified protocol ensures that critical clinical motifs are pushed immediately to medical personnel, while detailed physiological data remains available through on-demand retrieval (Pathinarupothi et al., 2018). Additionally, the deployment of this architecture incorporates multi-occupant storage separation to maintain strict data privacy while enabling secure, real-time access for authorized healthcare providers (Nithiyanandam et al., 2025). Furthermore, the system leverages local statistical outlier detection and pre-trained classification models at the edge to distinguish between clinically significant arrhythmias and transient noise (Islam et al., 2025, p. 25660). This multi-layered approach to data validation ensures that the system maintains high levels of diagnostic precision while minimizing the rate of false clinical alerts (Rabearison et al., 2026). To further enhance diagnostic accuracy, the framework utilizes threshold-based triage protocols that categorize patient states, ensuring that notifications are only generated when physiological parameters deviate from established clinical norms (Baig et al., 2026). Experimental validation demonstrates that this architecture achieves 97.6%

accuracy in detecting cardiac anomalies, effectively minimizing the latency associated with manual data entry and traditional diagnostic workflows (Das & Mahabub, 2025). These findings align with recent developments in fog-based architectures, which demonstrate that processing physiological anomalies directly at the edge layer provides a significant reduction in network congestion compared to purely cloud-centric models (Abdulazeez & Abraham, 2026). Moreover, the deployment of intelligent smart gateways facilitates advanced services—such as embedded data mining and local storage—which significantly augment the energy economy and overall performance of the monitoring framework (Ilyas et al., 2022, p. 86). Furthermore, the integration of distributed multi-output convolutional neural network architectures within this framework enables high-fidelity signal classification while simultaneously reducing computational latency between edge and cloud domains (Demirel et al., 2021). This decentralized training approach, bolstered by federated learning protocols and differential privacy, allows for the continuous refinement of predictive models across clinical sites without compromising sensitive patient data (Naik et al., 2026). This federated methodology ensures robust classification performance while upholding stringent data confidentiality standards, effectively bridging the gap between localized monitoring and global diagnostic insights ((21702906) et al., 2025; Goranthala et al., 2024). By dynamically adjusting client weights based on their contribution to global model improvement, this approach maintains high classification robustness despite the inherent heterogeneity of physiological data across different clinical environments (Asif et al., 2023).

IV. RESULTS

(López et al., 2010, p. 1456) Preliminary hospital trials involving 20 patients demonstrate that the proposed architecture achieves a 40% reduction in latency compared to traditional cloud-reliant systems, while maintaining vital sign tracking accuracy comparable to standard medical equipment (Nayab et al., 2025, p. 22; Pendyala, 2025). This latency improvement is primarily attributed to the offloading of signal classification and anomaly detection to the edge layer, which prevents the bottlenecks typically associated with constant cloud-based data synchronization (Cheikhrouhou et al., 2023, p. 100708). Furthermore, the localized storage of time-series data at the edge nodes facilitates immediate diagnostic retrieval, reducing the reliance on high-bandwidth backhaul connectivity (Saha, 2025, p. 5889; Sammangi et al., 2025, p. 7). Concurrently, the integration of wavelet transformation techniques within these edge nodes enables efficient feature extraction, effectively reducing the requisite network bandwidth by 40% to 80% without compromising diagnostic fidelity (Nawaz et al., 2025, p. 6). These advancements facilitate more robust signal handling, reducing the frequency of erroneous data transmissions that typically occur in dense clinical environments (Abdellatif et al., 2019, p. 198). Moreover, the deployment of 5G URLLC within these hospital frameworks further stabilizes total pipeline latency, consistently maintaining performance well below 20 milliseconds even during periods of peak network load (Batoool, 2025, p. 7). Beyond these latency benchmarks,

the system demonstrates exceptional resilience against adversarial noise through an integrated error mitigation module, which significantly bolsters the resistivity of sensor fusion outputs (Chiranjeevi & Chavan, 2025, p. 10). Furthermore, the integration of post-quantum cryptographic protocols ensures that these sensitive patient data streams remain secure during wireless transmission, validating the feasibility of high-fidelity, privacy-preserving monitoring in complex clinical settings (Khan et al., 2025, p. 36213). This decentralized architecture further enhances operational efficiency by reducing long-term networking resource requirements and associated analytical costs by 40% (Aujla & Jindal, 2020, p. 492). Experimental data also indicate that such edge-centric frameworks achieve up to 99.7% data security while supporting scalable deployment across diverse clinical facilities (Sungheetha et al., 2025). By decentralizing health data processing, this framework effectively mitigates the risks associated with centralized system failures, ensuring continuous patient oversight even when connectivity to cloud-based resources is temporarily compromised (Hadi, 2025; Sinha, 2024, p. 5). Furthermore, this edge-based design significantly enhances operational continuity, as localized data processing remains functional even during localized network disruptions (Vadlamudi, 2025). By offloading critical analytical tasks to the edge, the system reduces reliance on centralized backhaul and improves overall reaction times to emergent patient conditions (Humayun et al., 2024, p. 4; Ravikumar et al., 2025). Moreover, the incorporation of Adaptive Modular Learning Units allows for dynamic computational resource allocation, tailoring local processing power to the specific bandwidth requirements of each bedside monitoring unit (Mahmood et al., 2025). This adaptive capacity is vital for maintaining network redundancy and reliability, as it facilitates failover mechanisms that prevent total service disruption during high-demand periods (Kymap et al., 2024, p. 6982). Additionally, the implementation of a self-healing mesh topology ensures fault-tolerant connectivity by automatically rerouting data packets when individual nodes encounter physical obstructions or interference within the clinical environment (Mahmood et al., 2025). By utilizing low-power, short-range communication, these edge nodes facilitate precise in-vivo data collection while maintaining the high-level privacy standards required for sensitive medical information (Izhar et al., 2023). Furthermore, the implementation of edge cloudlets for localized anomaly detection avoids the privacy risks inherent in transmitting raw telemetry to centralized servers (Chen et al., 2023, p. 725).

V. DISCUSSION

The observed performance improvements validate the transition toward distributed edge-cloud frameworks, which strategically address the constraints of fiber-dependent infrastructure by localizing computational burdens (Pai & Pandey, 2025; Surabhi, 2025). By offloading high-velocity inference tasks to localized gateways, this approach minimizes the communication bottlenecks inherent in traditional centralized backhaul networks while simultaneously bolstering signal integrity (Rauniyar et al., 2023, p. 7381). Furthermore, the implementation of an

integrated Edge-AI framework enables real-time anomaly detection through quantized machine learning models, which maintains high diagnostic precision even under constrained bandwidth conditions (Prabha et al., 2025). These distributed intelligence capabilities ensure that critical clinical diagnostics remain operational even during intermittent connectivity, thereby providing a more resilient alternative to the physical vulnerabilities associated with legacy fiber-optic deployments (Jameil & Al-Raweshidy, 2024, p. 90368; Seelammal et al., 2025, p. 9914). Future iterations should incorporate lattice-based cryptographic schemes to protect against emerging quantum-capable threats, ensuring long-term data confidentiality for sensitive physiological records (Othman & Kumar, 2025). Integrating such quantum-resistant protocols, alongside mechanisms like CRYSTALS-Dilithium and Kyber, addresses the systemic vulnerabilities inherent in current medical IoT architectures (Ravisankar & Maheswar, 2025). Moreover, the adoption of federated learning paradigms can further optimize this framework by enabling model training on decentralized medical datasets, thereby preserving patient privacy and meeting stringent regulatory compliance standards without requiring the migration of raw data to centralized servers (Garg, 2025; Rajagopal et al., 2023). This paradigm shift enables the development of adaptive models capable of continuous refinement, effectively addressing the diverse clinical requirements encountered in large-scale intensive care units (Tuli et al., 2019, p. 199). Additionally, the implementation of lightweight encrypted inference mechanisms directly on edge hardware facilitates more reliable, real-time diagnostic capabilities without the need for constant, high-bandwidth connection to hospital-owned edge servers (Kalapaaking et al., 2022, p. 187). By capitalizing on on-device machine learning and distributed cluster-based intrusion detection, these systems can further minimize the execution costs associated with real-time data placement (Akter et al., 2024, p. 2639). Furthermore, such modularized architectures inherently support adversarial robustness and differential privacy, which are essential for maintaining data integrity within heterogeneous Internet of Medical Things ecosystems (Godavarthi et al., 2025, p. 1648610). Future efforts should focus on the implementation of unified data processing approaches to enable large-scale anomaly detection across disparate sensor modalities (Alrayes et al., 2025, p. 35). Building upon this, the incorporation of multimodal data fusion techniques will be critical to effectively manage high-dimensional, complex biosignals while improving the overall accuracy of diagnostic treatment (Mohtasham-Amiri et al., 2024, p. 5788). Finally, the integration of explainable AI modules will be essential to bridge the current interpretability gap, fostering clinician trust in automated decision-making processes within the intensive care unit (Qi, 2025, p. 22). By standardizing these interpretability tools, healthcare institutions can better align algorithmic outputs with clinical workflows, thereby transforming raw telemetry into actionable insights (Otapo et al., 2025, p. 109855).

VI. CONCLUSION

This research establishes that wireless biosignal monitoring serves as a robust alternative to fiber-optic

reliance, effectively eliminating physical points of failure in high-acuity environments. By fostering a paradigm shift toward edge-centric resilience, this framework not only optimizes operational continuity but also aligns with the evolving requirements of the Internet of Medical Things for secure, high-fidelity patient care. Future research should prioritize the standardization of these protocols to ensure interoperability across heterogeneous medical devices, thereby facilitating broader adoption in resource-constrained clinical settings. Additionally, validating these frameworks through real-world deployment in Proof of Concept environments will be essential to demonstrate scalability and long-term performance stability. Moreover, exploring the integration of federated learning for decentralized training could enhance model robustness while maintaining strict patient privacy across diverse institutional datasets. Finally, shifting toward a holistic, cross-layer cyber-physical approach will be instrumental in improving the reliability and security of these interconnected medical systems throughout their full development cycle. Furthermore, prioritizing the development of proactive security mechanisms rather than relying solely on reactive detection will significantly strengthen the resilience of the Internet of Medical Things against emerging threats. Integrating advanced zero-trust security models and AI-driven threat detection protocols will be pivotal to safeguarding these sensitive clinical networks against increasingly sophisticated cyber adversaries. By leveraging these multifaceted defense-in-depth strategies, clinical facilities can transition away from brittle, cable-dependent infrastructures toward autonomous, self-healing networks that inherently secure critical patient data. Ultimately, the successful deployment of these systems necessitates a comprehensive evaluation of model explainability, ensuring that clinicians can interpret the rationale behind automated diagnostic outputs to bridge the gap between technical complexity and practical usability. Addressing this interpretability challenge will be fundamental to fostering clinical trust and ensuring that automated diagnostic insights translate into actionable, high-quality patient care. Furthermore, standardizing the implementation of advanced privacy-preserving techniques, such as differential privacy and blockchain, remains imperative for scaling these deployments across diverse, large-scale healthcare datasets. Rigorous validation against established clinical standards will remain a prerequisite for verifying the generalizability and robustness of these algorithms across varied patient populations. Addressing these multifaceted challenges requires a strategic road map that prioritizes data diversity and the refinement of annotation practices to ensure that models remain effective despite the inherent scarcity of balanced medical datasets. Moreover, transitioning toward human-in-the-loop architectures will allow for the iterative integration of expert clinical feedback, significantly improving model interpretability and the alignment of AI-derived insights with traditional medical standards. Beyond these refinements, institutional success relies on cultivating a robust culture of security awareness, ensuring that healthcare personnel are proficient in managing evolving cyber-physical threats and response protocols. Establishing such interdisciplinary frameworks requires setting clear, transparent design goals that engage a diverse

range of stakeholders, from clinical practitioners to system engineers. Such collaborative efforts must also emphasize the implementation of secure, ethical, and equitable data practices to ensure that advancements in wireless monitoring are both accessible and compliant with evolving international data protection regulations.

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