

A 01 - IoT

Cyber-Physical systems:

- Have **Sensors** and **actuators** to interact with **physical** world.
- Are **cyber**: processing, memory, connectivity capability to act in the **cyberspace**
- IoT is an embodiment of CPS, CPS implement **smart environments** where **smart objects** are both **cyber** and **physical**.
- **Physical properties:**
 - 1) **free placement**: small size, different form factors and shells
 - 2) **mobility**: wireless communication capability, battery-powered, position-awared
 - 3) **exposed to the wild**: redundancy (allowed by low costs), security, low costs.

Smart Environments:

- Can be defined with a variety of characteristics based on:
 - 1) **application they serve**
 - 2) **interaction with humans**
 - 3) **practical system design aspects**
 - 4) **multi-faceted conceptual and algorithmic consideration that allows them to operate seamlessly and unobtrusively.**
- are smart for **management, deployment, maintenance** and for the **final user**:
 - 1) **recognise**: context, activities, situations
 - 2) **figure out**: user needs at the right time
 - 3) **provide services**

IoT:

- **physical objects embedded with:**
 1. **Electronic**
 2. **Software** (business logic)
 3. **Sensors/actuators**
 4. **Network connectivity**
- **each IoT device has:**
 1. **Sensors/actuators**
 2. **Microcontroller**

3. Software (business logic)

- some features: *sf IoT devices*

1. interconnect smart devices
2. interconnectivity through the cloud:
3. communicate with each other and provide data (to the cloud → processing)
4. deliver informations from sensor
5. act on their environment
6. low-powered, low-bandwidth, low energy

IoT-layered ARCHITECTURE

- a layered architecture:

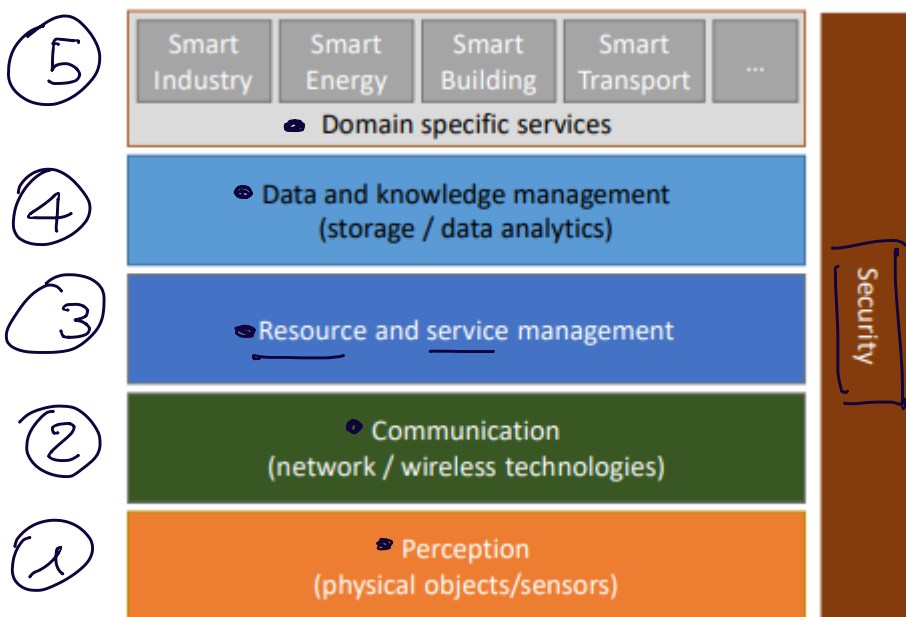
4. Domain specific services: *smart industry, city, energy, transport...*

3. Data and knowledge mngmnt: *storage / data analytics: data are stored, processed, presented in the cloud*

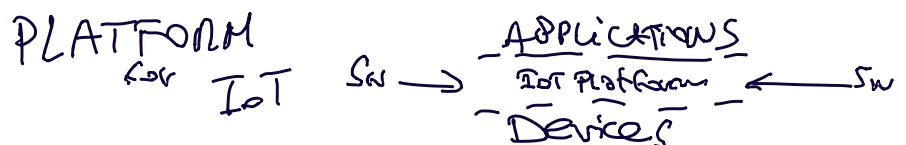
2. Communication: *network / wireless technologies*

1. Perception: *sensors and actuators are at the edge of the cloud (physical objs)*

2. Security: *referred to all the layers above*

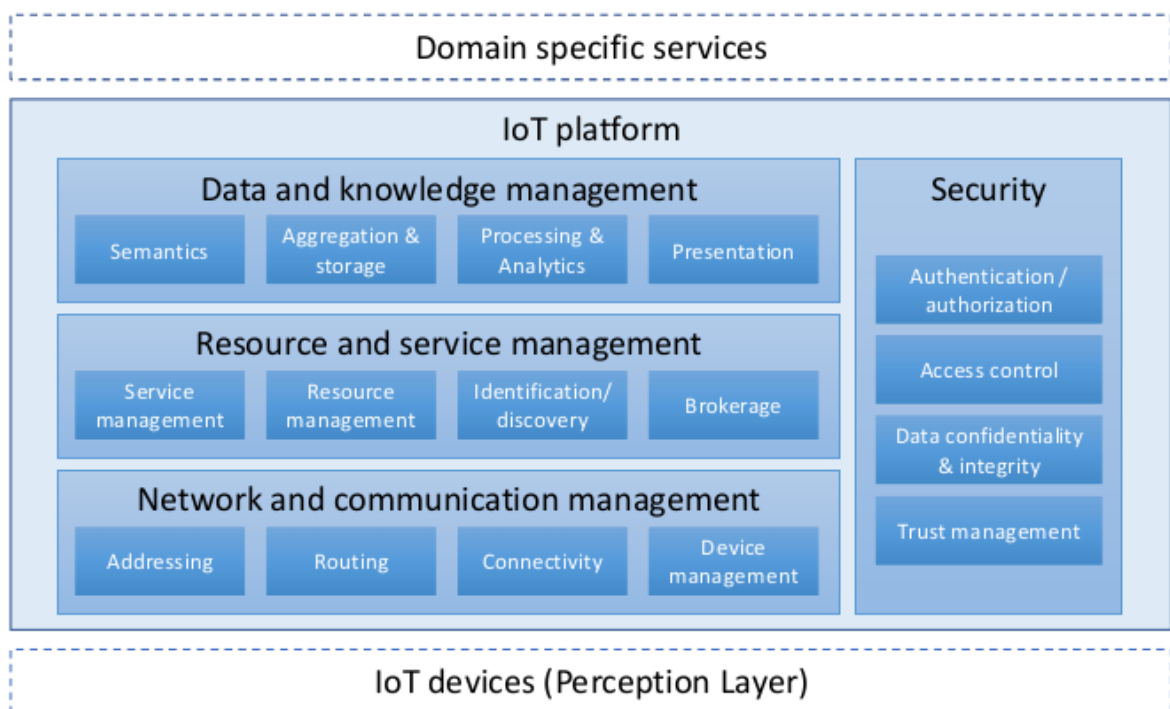


- platform for IoT:



- sw layer between IoT devices and applications
- their functionalities (may be) distributed between devices themselves, gateways, servers in the cloud
- provides:

1. **identification**: way to identify things in the platform, (IP on internet, URI on web, OID - Object Identifier)
2. **Discovery**: find devices, resources, services to obtain their properties/services/features
3. **device management**:
 - *initial settings*:
 - 1) • pairing, security settings, key distribution
 - 2) • configuration
 - 3) • localisation of devices
 - *managing updates of sw and fw*
 - *device monitoring, logging, auditing*
 - *diagnostic*
 - *remote control*
4. **abstraction/virtualisation**: IoT devices as services
5. **semantics**: provide a way to represent IoT devices and their context
 - enables AI-processing over data
6. **service composition**: builds a composite service interacting services/microservices (like aggregator, data analytics and sons)
7. **Management of data flow**:
 - *sensors → application → actuators*
 - support for: *aggregation, processing, analytics*



- **issues in IoT**
 - performance
 - energy efficiency

- security
- data analytics/**processing**: informations may be contrasting → brings to make different decisions
- **communication**: how to bring data *producers* (sensors) with *consumers* (actuators/users/app)
- data representation
- **interoperability**; we need standards
- **latency**:
 - IoT is a layered architecture → have to bring data to the cloud, devices are at the edge → **data flowing into the cloud represent same reality from different POV**
 - a sensor provides few data, but they are interconnected → so much data to be processed
- **reliability**: if objects provides for their purpose
- IoT & machine learning *AI* *IoT & AI*
- **curated technology** *NON VA BENE perché è al livello per gli*
 - **represent** (inference) **knowledge** and **make reasons**
 - propositional, predicate logics, production rules, semantics ntwrks
 - **problems**:
 - **sensors output** (what's goin' on?!): data are **noisy, reduntant, missing, fast flowing..**
 - can extract **windows of data received** but unuseful for curated technology
- **ML**: learn by **doing/reciving informations** and **testing**
 - **"automatic systems that can learn from data"**
 - **humans provide data,**
 - **system is fed by examples**(*training set, testing sets*) to **learn** how to **associate input and output**
 - if **well trained**, **output will be** (most likely) **correct**
 - **Unsupervised learning**: analyse data, finds **relationships among data points**, good to understand the past (**not really useful for IoT stuff**)

- **SUPERVISED LEARNING:**

- learn from *past examples*
- for each example, requires input + desiderate output
- aims at *predicting future* or *understening present*
- useful when all data are available

- **REINFORCEMENT LEARNING:**

- learns from examples
- if output is wrong → provide example → machine self configure itself
- for each example only one input and reward (e.g: game, win +1, loose -1, otherwise 0)

- ML (supervised, reinforcement) guarantee for IoT

1. **Flexibility** (of analysed data)

- *training phase* infers the ML *classifier* (universal approximation of any function)

2. **Robustness** (of analysed data): performance degrades proportionally to the degradation of the input

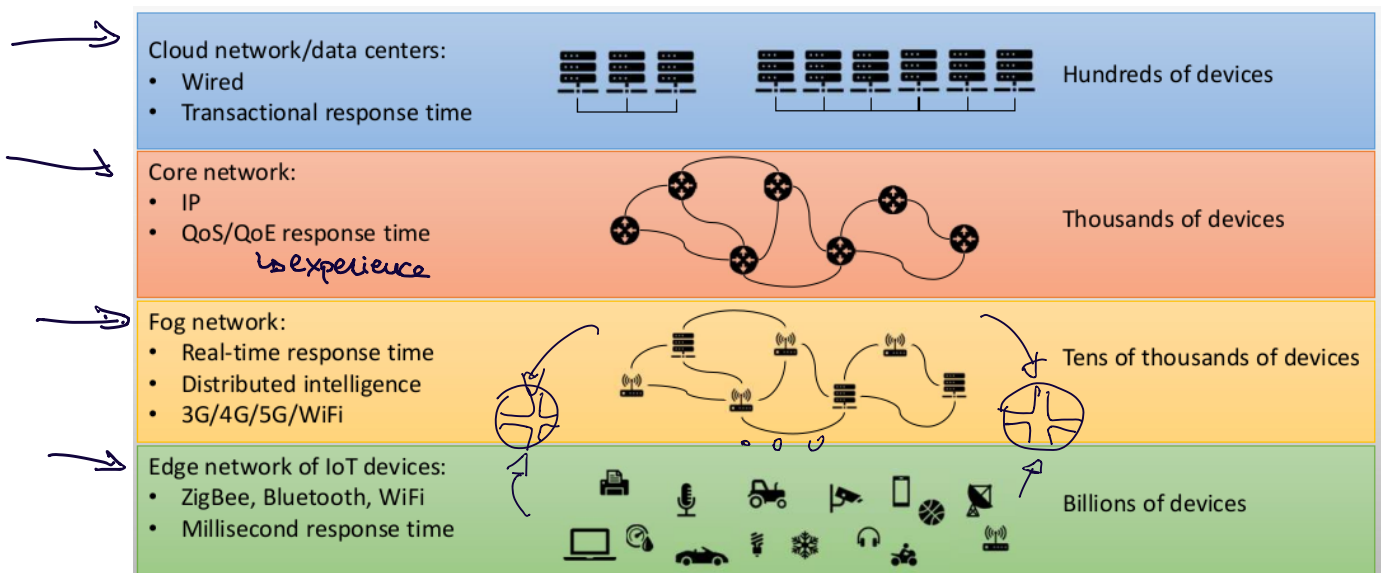
3. **Customisability:**

- improve* / maximise the accuracy given examples
- reduce memory footprint of the classifier (for ebedding low-power devices)

4. **Embedding AI into devices**

- IoT and Cloud

IoT & cloud



- **EDGE**

- At the **edge** is a *network of IoT-enabled devices* consisting of **sensors** and **actuators**
- devices may *communicate with each other*
- **cluster of sensors** may *transmit their data to one device that aggregates* the data to be *collected* by an *higher-level entity*
- a **gateway** interconnects IoT enabled devices with the *higher level network*

- **FOG**

- *massive amount of data* may be generated by a **distributed network of sensors**
- *Rather than store all data permanently in central storage*, is desirable to do as much *data processing close to the sensors* as possible
- processing may deal with much data, perform **data transformation operations**, resulting in the *storage of much lower volume of data*
- **fog operations**: evaluation, formatting, expanding/decoding, reduction, assessment
- fog devices are deployed *near the edge* (sensors and other data-generating devices)
- **Cloud vs Fog computing**
 - Cloud: centralised storage, processing for a small number of users
 - Fog: distributed processing and storage resources close to massive number of IoT devices

- **CORE**

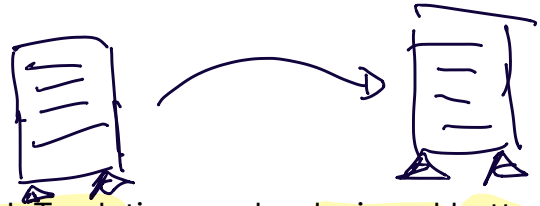
- aka *backbone ntwrk*, *connects geographically dispersed fog ntwrks* providing *access to ntwrk outside the enterprise ntwrk*
- uses *high performance routers, high capability transmission lines, multiple interconnected routers* for increased redundancy and capacity

- **BLOCKCHAIN and IoT**

- a *shared and trusted* public ledger for *making transactions*
- everybody can *inspect* it
- nobody can *control* it
- transaction cannot be *altered*
- involves businesses want to record history of transactions
- BC implies a shift of paradigm for IoT:
 - from centralised store to a *decentralised* one, in a distributed ledger
 - supports expanding of IoT ecosystem

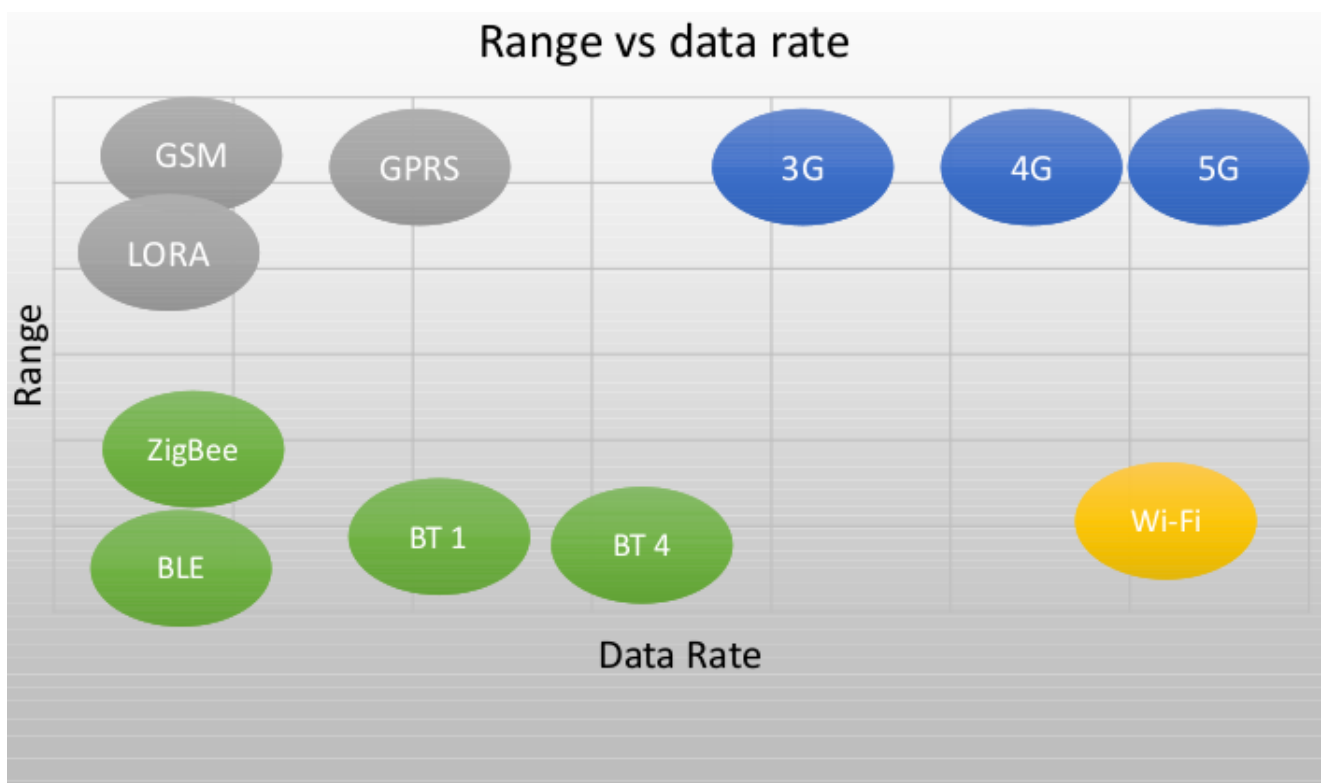
- reduces *maintenance* costs (distributed ledger is public)
- provides *trust* in data produced
- so it certifies steps in business process → BC as *shared ledger* between companies in supply chain
- *smart contracts* to *certify intermediate delivery of goods* (steps of business process, state of goods and services)

Interoperability and standards



- Interoperability force to have standards
- Vertical silos: a straight implementation of an IoT solution can be designed bottom-up (from physical to application layers) → vertical silos.
 - idea: keep content inside → no visibility from outside
 - one layer stacked solution: sw architectures have layers (of IoT) like silos
 - your solution will only *work alone*:
 - only your devices
 - any change/update requires intervention of IoT fabric
 - other vendors cannot interfere
 - vendor lock-in: clients entrapped
 - no components from other vendors
 - force *high cost to migrate to another vendor*
 - POV of customer is no change vendor (move from one silos to another)

Wireless standards



- **IEEE 802.11 (Wi-Fi)**
 - **frequency:** 2.4 Ghz
 - **bit rate:** 1,2 Mbps
 - **trasmission range:** ~ 100 meters (2Mbps) - 130 meters (1 Mbps)
- **IEEE 802.11A, B, ... , AC, ... (Evolution)**
 - **frequency:** 5 Ghz
 - **bit rate:** up to 400 Mbps
 - **transmission range:** increased (**G**)(???magari avere qualche dato sarebbe bello)
 - **introduced technologies:**
 - QoS (**E**)
 - directional antennas (**N**)
 - roaming between access points (**F**)
- **IEEE 802.15.4 (low power antennas) and ZigBee**
 - IEEE 802.15.4 defines both physical and MAC layers (1,2)
 - ZigBee: industrial consortium promoting development of low-power sensor networks
 - defines also network(3) and application (5 || 7) level
 - **low power*:**
 - low throughput (up to 115 kbps)
 - low duty cycle (around 1%)
 - **supports multi-hop deployments** → enables coverage of large areas
- **BLUETOOTH**
 - no authentication
 - higher data rate than ZigBee (?!?! servono dati)
 - personal and multimedia communication (audio, low quality video)
 - bluetooth2 increases
 - **throughput:** up to 10 Mbps

Standards in IoT

- require common *interests* and *agreements* among different stakeholders
- motivated by reduction of costs (related to technology development)
- *coopetition* among different stakeholders
- happens when a technology is mature

- big revenues are somewhere else
- no interest put big money in developing technology
- but problem is not solved:
 - competing consortium for standards
 - development is a competition for upper layers
 - [x] domain specific services smart city/ smart industry/ smart transport...
 - [x] data and knowledge management data storage/ data analytics
 - [x] resource and service management
 - [x] communication wireless capability/ network
 - [] perception (sensors/ physical objects)
 - (thus standardisation) is moving up at middleware/application level
- if too many standards:

- not only vertical silos interoperability problem but problem with different standards
- Interoperability problem: competing alliances defines own standards → competition

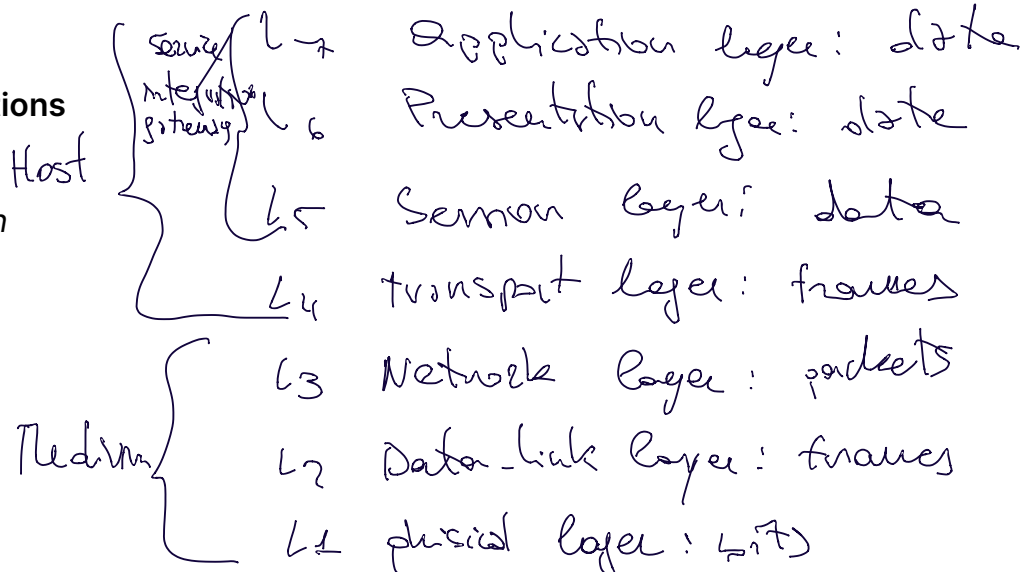
- development is a competition moves to upper layers (where data are processed, collected, stored) → never ending process

- solution: introduce **IoT application/integration gateways**:

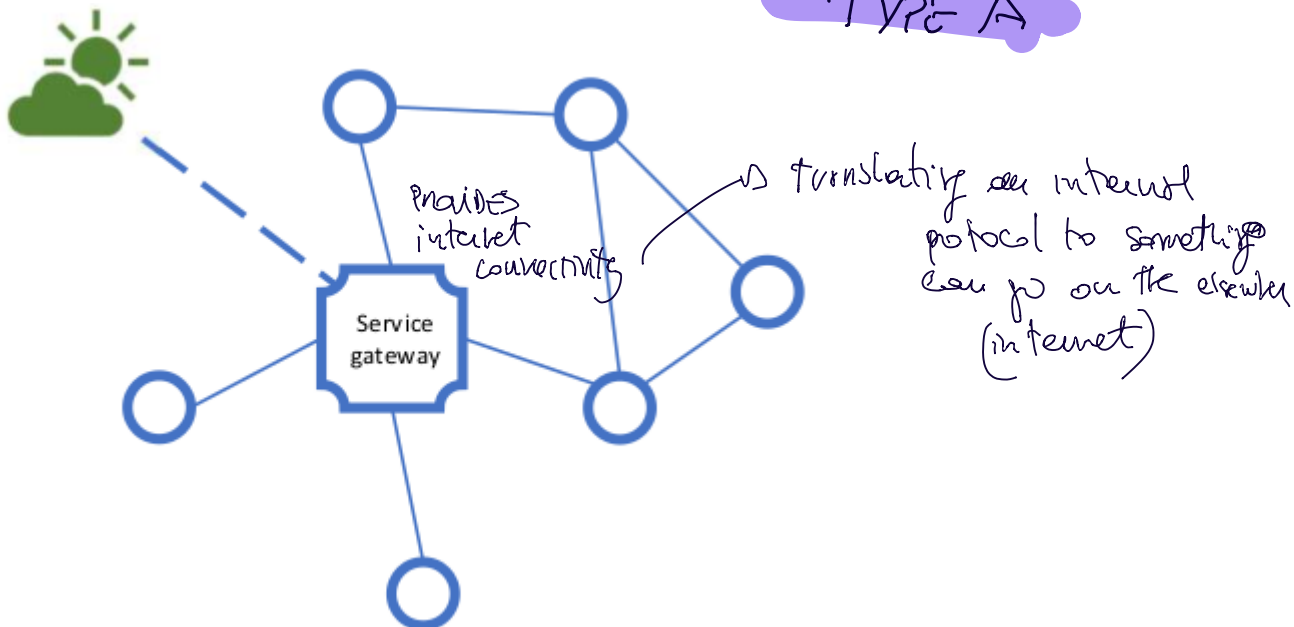
- are at application layer
- don't translate only low-level protocols
- also map one into the other different application-level behaviors
- transition from one protocol to another
- gateways work also at: session(5), presentation(6), application(7) layer

• Shift from interoperability oriented silos to standards one → of protocols strategy
 # => translation of protocols
 examples: Bluetooth/ ZigBee

- gateway configurations
- type A configuration



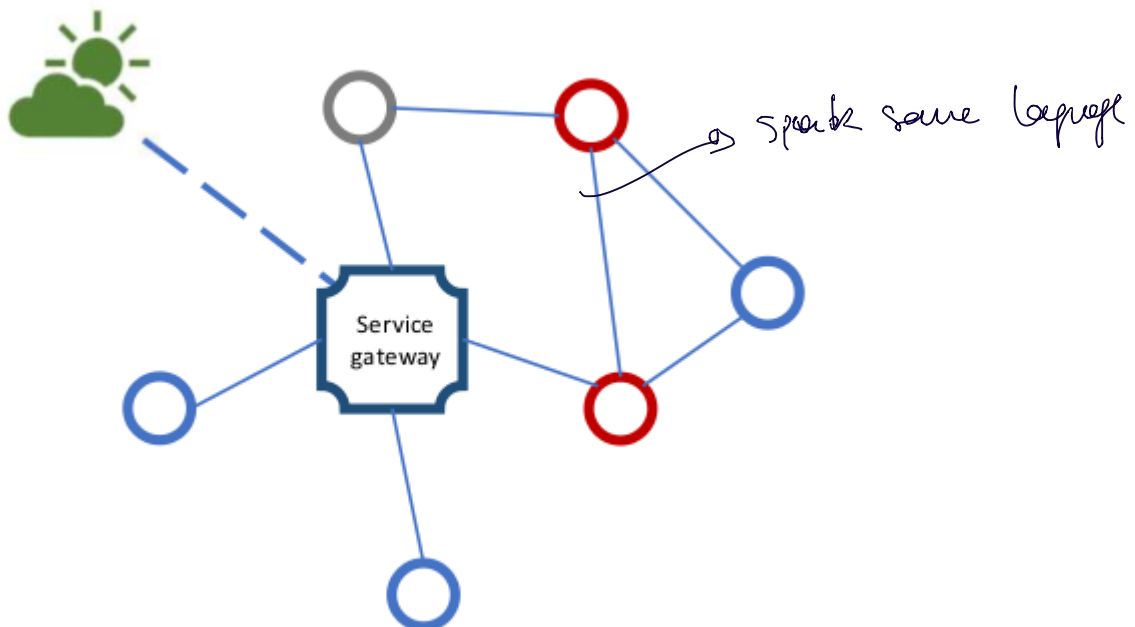
TYPE A



- Same vendor and same protocols

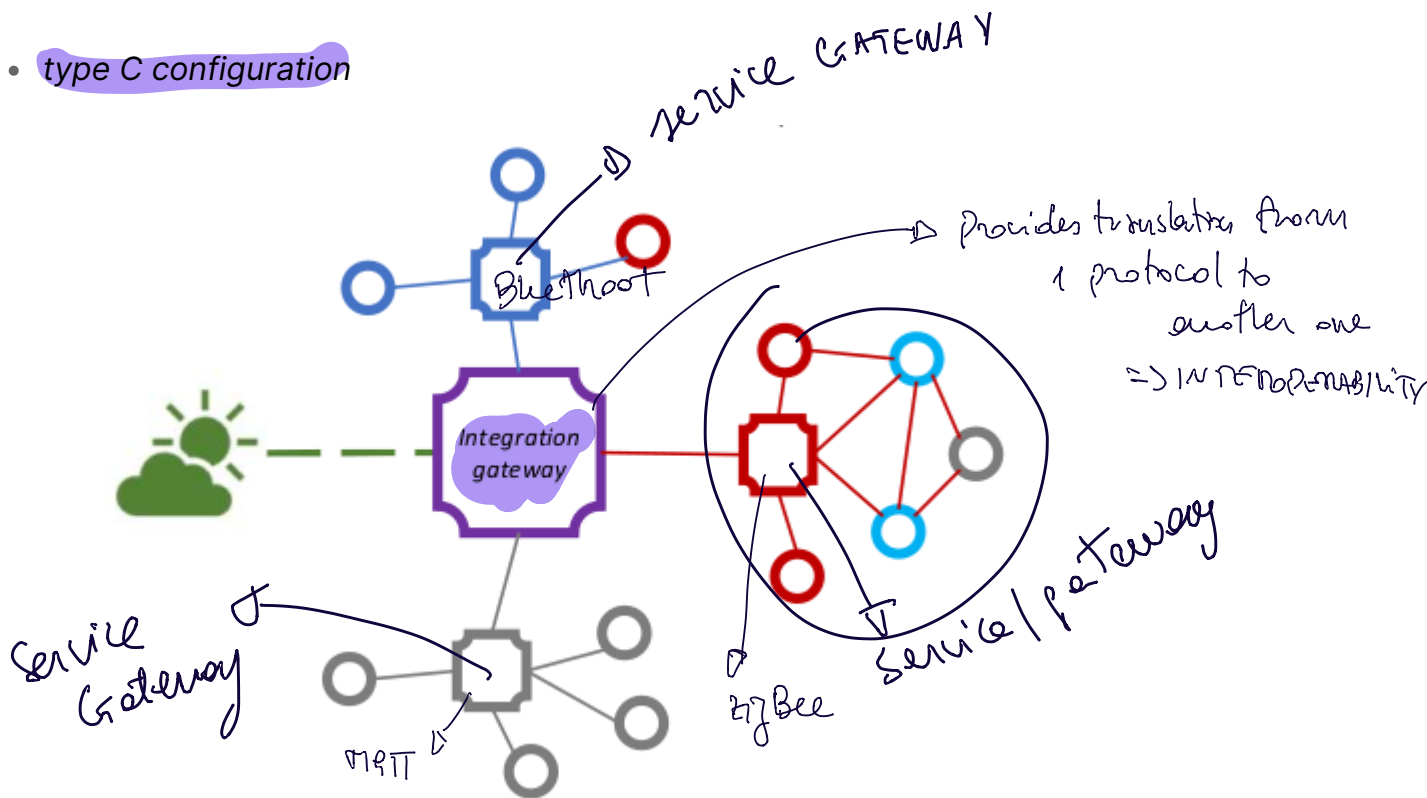
- protocols to communicate at same level, devices may be not standardised (also vertical silos solution), devices need access to the world(internet) →
- **service gateway** enables communication of devices to the worlds

- type B configuration

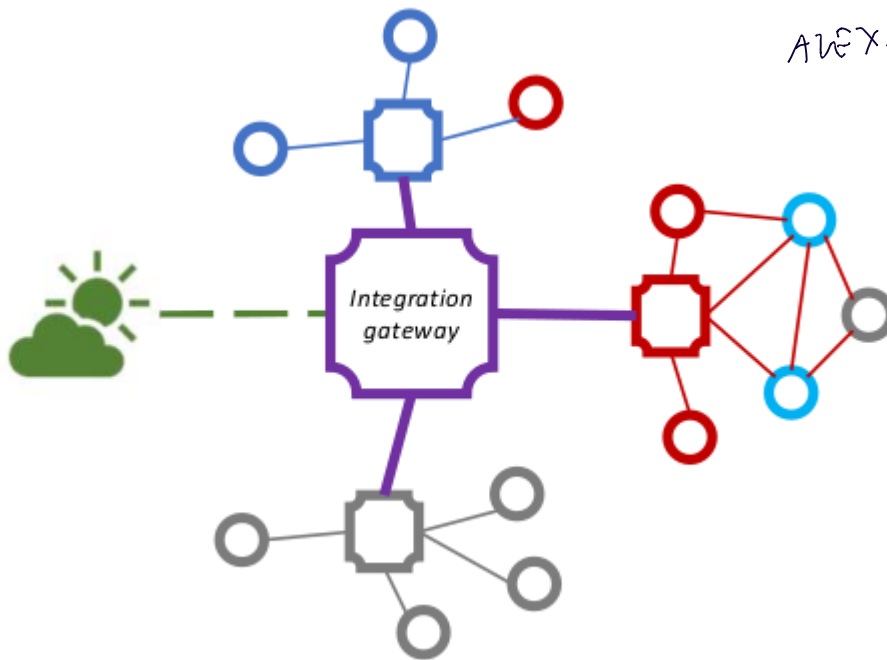


- two different vendors, same protocol
- devices manufactured from different industries
- IoT devices respect a standard (for communication)
- still need gateway to connect devices to the world (internet)
- different networks and need go to the cloud → introduce service gateway
- case of zigbee networks: 1 device provides as service gateway

- type C configuration

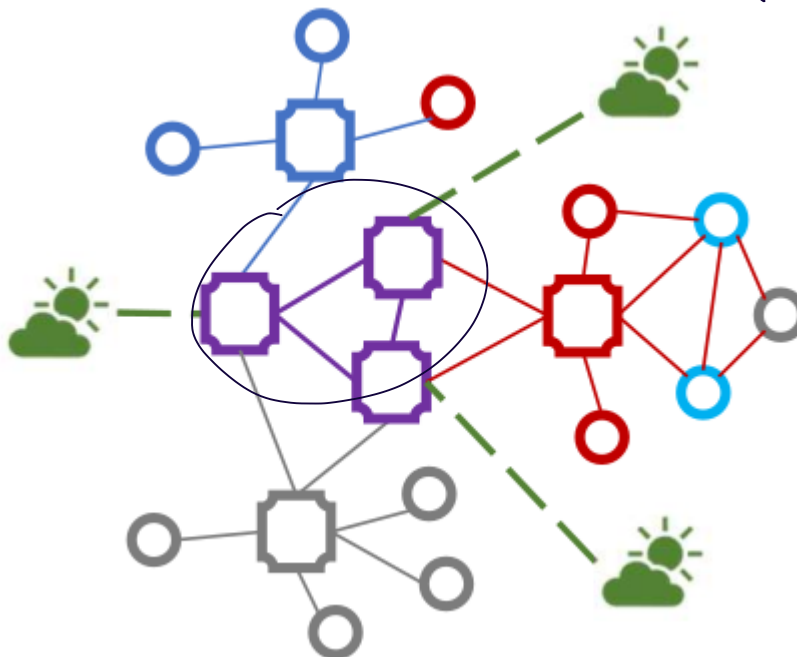


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- different vendors and different protocols
- devices are different by groups (proprietary), each have its own service gateway
 - different networks, devices communicate by different protocol (→ service gateway)
- they need to map their messages to other proprietary → integration gateway: enable talking service gateway (n map 1 protocol) that implement different behaviours
- integration gateway is complex: a (integration) gateway that talks to other (service) gateway → map one protocol to another inside protocol
 - enforce reliability (1 gateway is down, there are others)
- e.g.: temperature sensor, wi-fi connected, at application level need data to send somewhere, this transition may be implemented:
 - Push: send every data when is available
 - Pop: data are send on request
- '# of mapping from one protocol to another (at same level) the integration gateway manages n^2 mappings (every protocol to another)
- type C/II configuration



ALEXA/GOOGLE HOME:
 - they open the market to who is able to speak their protocol
 => forces other sing/vertical silos

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- Integration gateway is a smart device e.g.: google home, alexa
- is a service gateway
- big players force using their own solution: protocols, interfaces
 - to connect different devices you have to speak big players' protocols
- need to translate behaviour to big players' device and lot provides integration
- type D configuration



Since integration gateway has to map 1 protocol to others (type C) \Rightarrow SOLO \Rightarrow SOLO

An integration gateway which is distributed.

1) Reduce complexity (linear)

2) These integration gateways talk in a common language

\Rightarrow so 1 int. gateway has to translate the vertical silos to their internal protocol

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- different vendors, different protocols, distributed integration gateways
- '# of mapping from one protocol to another (at same level) the integration gateway manages n mappings (linear, n standard \rightarrow n transition \rightarrow 1 mapping)

2) More reliability $O(n)$

- 1 solo passaggio tra i gateway e redundancy (a gateway goes down, no problem)

security in IoT

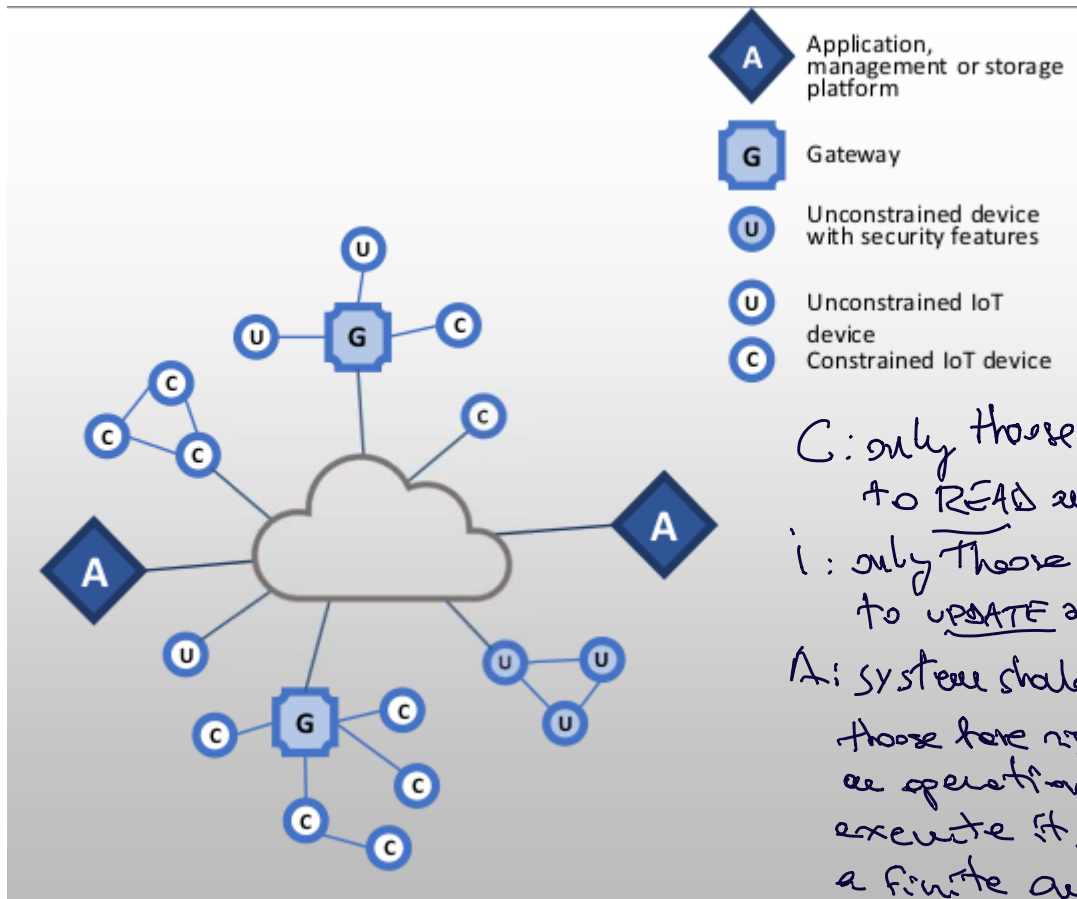
SECURITY in IoT

problems:

- in IoT the number of devices connected to internet are heterogenously in the way they are connected
 - heterogenity is a problem in security: cuz security threat case by case → specific security features
- IoT devices don't come with security features (or at least are insufficient)

Ways to connect IoT devices:

- IoT devices can be directly connected to the internet or via gateway
 - why? → for providing data to the cloud (processed, collected, analysed)
- devices can be:
 - unconstrained with security feature (rare)
 - unconstrained IoT (e.g.: smart camera that process big amount of data)
 - constrained IoT device: limitation is connecting, managing them



- patching vulnerability (problems):

- when vendors develop a product → design functionalities and (hastily:frettolosamente) want to reach the market before competitors
- standards don't provide security features
- cuz they need to be fast → devices are full of bugs, software/hw, (can become vulnerabilities)
- general devices has an OS structured and get patches to update sw/fw
 - in IoT OS are very light with no (or limited) security features
 - OS is shitty, impossible installing updates
- when IoT devices when are already into the market is impossible to patch
- even if manufactures want, no way to fix them (apart redefining/redeploy them)
- problem of sensors:
 - related to confidentiality (e.g.: wearable sensors → health informations)
 - related to authenticity of data: false informations tampered that sensor get/send (e.g.: temperature in nuclear power plants)
- problem of actuators:
 - they act (take actions, e.g.: robot arm), fake commands have much more effect

There is a crisis point with regard to the security of embedded systems, including IoT devices

The embedded devices are riddled with vulnerabilities and there is no good way to patch them

Chip manufacturers have strong incentives to produce their product as quickly and cheaply as possible

The device manufacturers focus is the functionality of the device itself

The end user may have no means of patching the system or, if so, little information about when and how to patch

The result is that the hundreds of millions of Internet-connected devices in the IoT are vulnerable to attacks

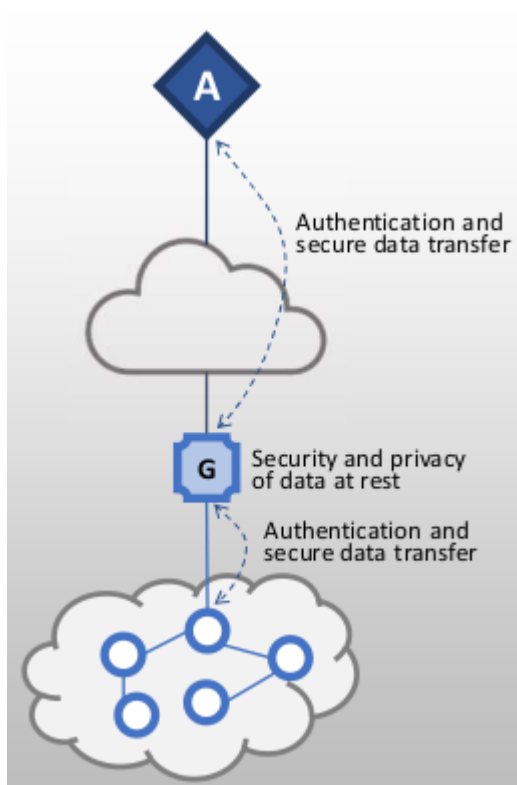
This is certainly a problem with sensors, allowing attackers to insert false data into the network

It is potentially a graver threat with actuators, where the attacker can affect the operation of machinery and other devices

• IoT privacy /security requirements

- IUT-T stndrds reccomandation Y.2066 includes list of security requirements for the IoT during; capturing, storing, transferring, aggregating and processing the date of thing:
- security audit: logging all relevant events of a system
 - → investigation or feed sensors to detect attacks

- **communication security**: from communication layer, confidentiality and integrity during data transfers or transmission
- **data management security**: confidentiality and integrity of data when storing or processing data
- **service provision security**: deny unauthorized accesses to service and protect privacy informations relate IoT
- **Mutual authentication** : IoT that belong to a network communicate each other
 - service gateway, devices authentication must be done at any layer you need → different layers (application layer authentication or locally at the gateway)
 - must be on the gateway and device (before a device can access the IoT)
 - possible implement a fake gateway → device need to trust the gateway
- **integration of security policies and techniques**: ability to do that, ensures security control over variety of devices and user network
- **IoT gateway security functions**:



- **Security specifications** particularly concerns gateways
 - security needed from gateway to the cloud
 - security needed from device to gateway
 - → data flows through gateway be protected
 - some case access points or built network between IoT devices
 - **gateway is more powerful device**
 - much energy
 - powerful machines

- most of the work performed by gateways → device implement what is needed
- as soon IoT devices are locate into the wild, someone can tamper them
 - uploading new firmware or software
 - so authentication needed on phisical layer (perception)
 - but also needed at application layer (cuz decive → gateway → cloyd)
- gateways are used to update, check, control device and auto configuration or configuration by applications
 - deployment phase is critical:
 - devices don't know to which gateway are connected
 - configuration by hand || want be performed by gateway in a secure way