

# Security In HealthCare

CSC 6980: Security in IOT

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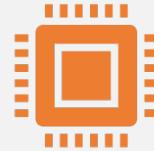
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# Challenges & Opportunities in IOT Healthcare

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# Architecture in IoT



Patients are connected with sensors which are associated with control devices, and then the data is forwarded to a health-monitoring unit.



Use of cloud technology helps to manage the high amount of data transmitted.



Security can then become an issue because this transmission allows for a loss of integrity and confidentiality.

# Hybrid Cloud Environment

To reduce the complexity of in the IoT/Cloud architecture, a hybrid cloud architecture is proposed.

SMFIC - Service Management Framework for IoT Devices comprised of three layers:

Consumer layer: collects data from smart home, patients, social network, and smart healthcare service.

Service provider layer: provides sharing of physical resources, service management, virtualization, security & privacy.

Middle layer: manages services between provider and consumer.

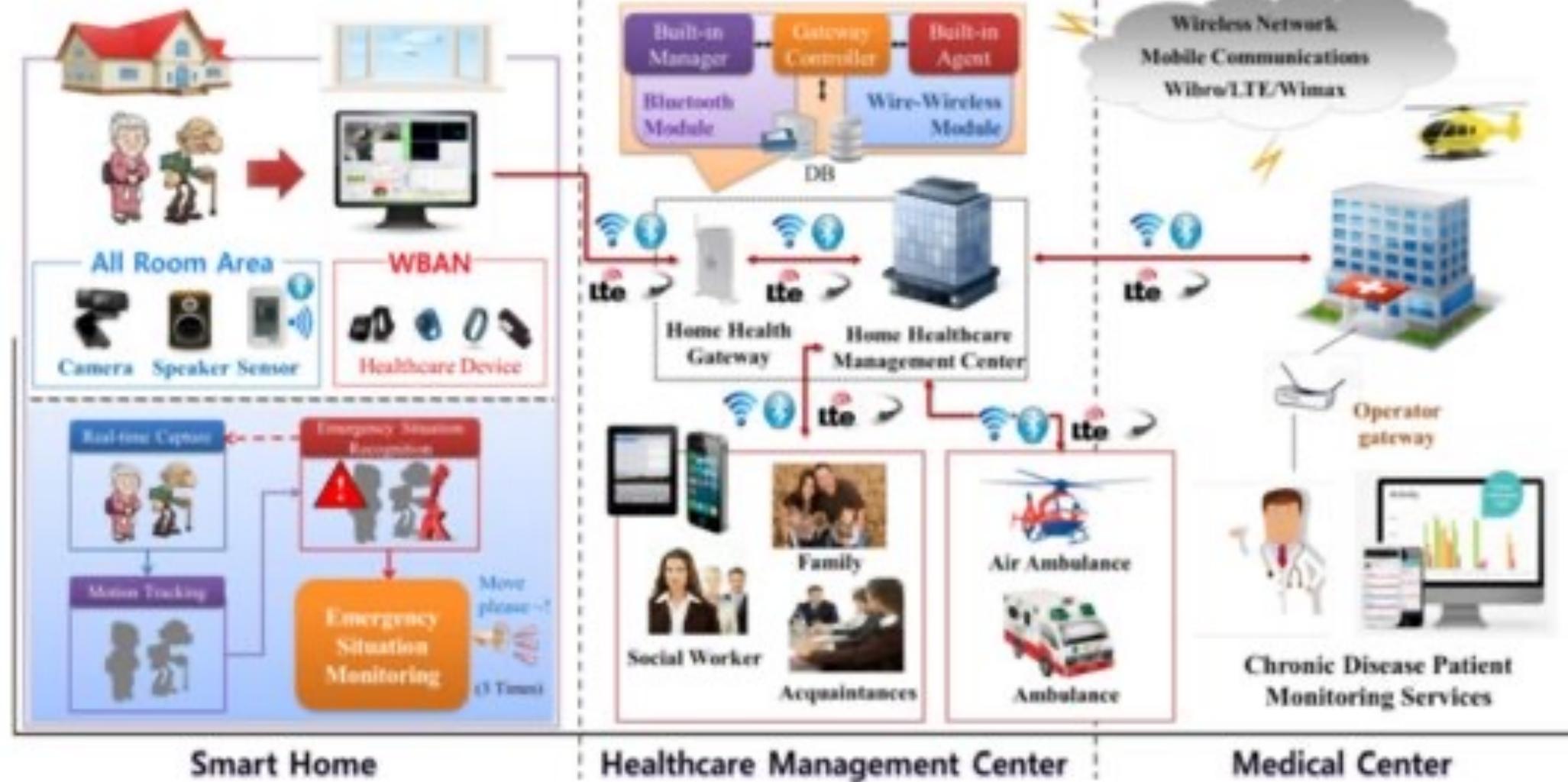
# Proposed Architectures

## Temporal Fuzzy Ant Miner Tree:

- Combines Ant Colony Optimization with decision tree and fuzzy rules (conditional statements)
- Collects real-time data with sensors and analyzes physical and behavioral trends in homes

## Machine Learning Algorithm for Early Detection of Disease:

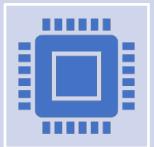
- Three tier architecture:
  - Collects sensor data from wearable devices
  - Stores data in cloud
  - Regression-based prediction model for heart disease
  - Also used for monitoring and detecting arthritis



# Cloud Integration



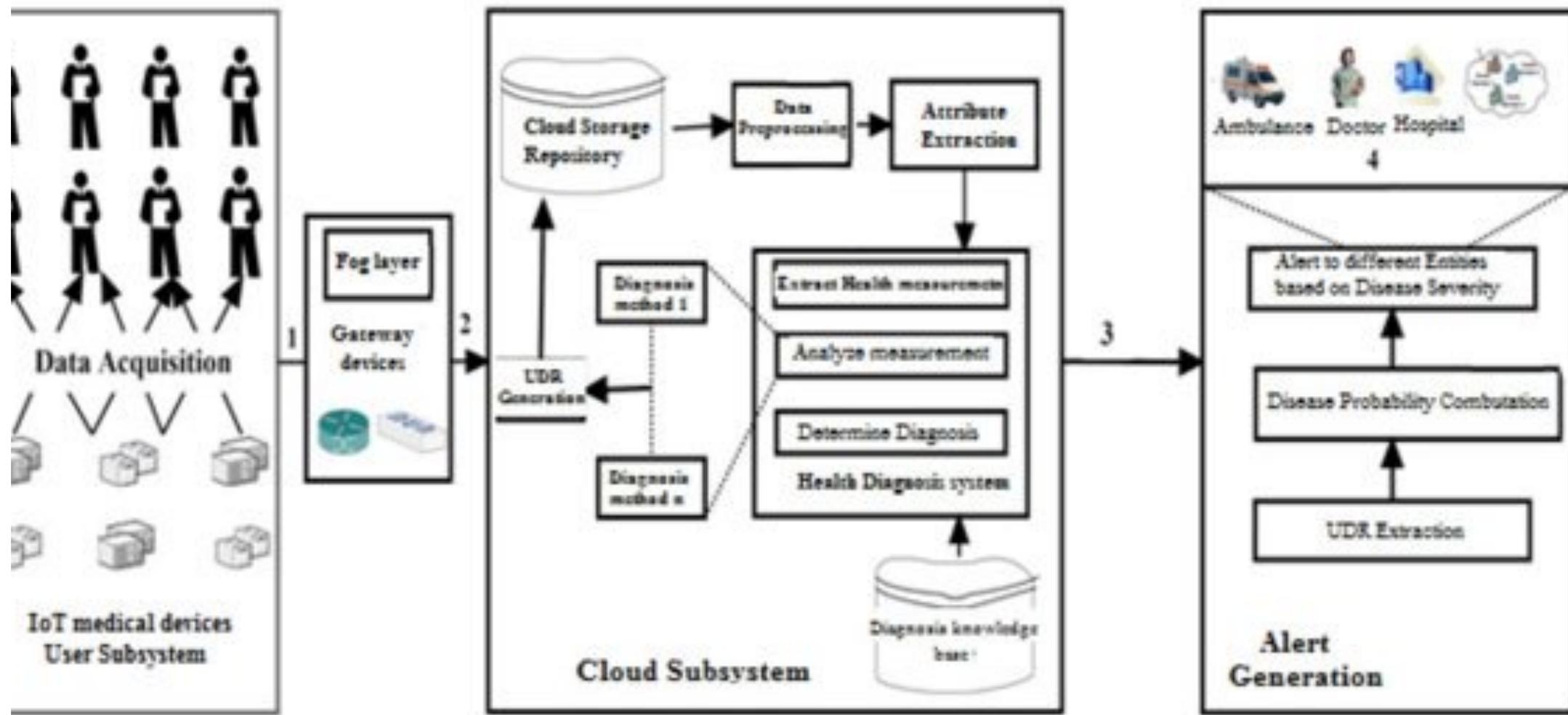
The use of cloud technologies allows for flexibility, scalability, and higher number of resources to be used in processing the data.



The physiologically based attributes of patients are measured, and the information is stored in the cloud. Once the user subsystem has completed the data collection from IoT medical devices, the data is sent to the cloud subsystem for diagnosis.



The greatest challenge posed in this architecture, is the network delay.



# Security in IoT Healthcare

Hackers and attackers have easy access to sensor data

IDP (IoT-oriented Data Placement):

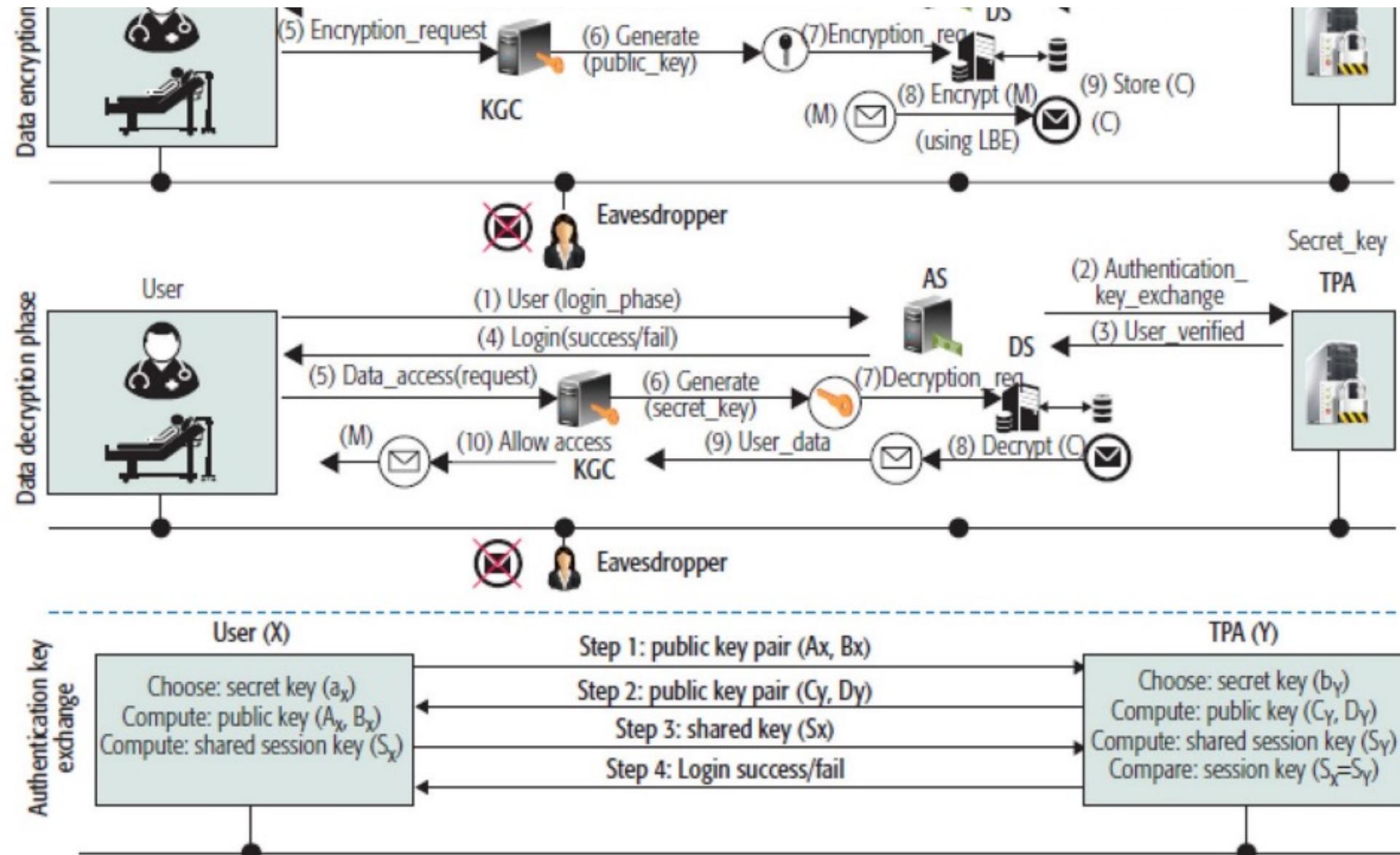
- Optimize data access time
- Increase resource utilization
- Reduce energy consumption
- All while maintaining data privacy
- Achieved using Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm II (NSGA-II)

# NSGA-II

- Processes data on user's health profile
- Recommendation is processed at the cloud healthcare recommender service.
- RFID encryption is used to provide security of the medical data
- Cloud Service Provider (CSP) consists of three servers:
  - Authentication Server
  - Key Generation Center
  - Database Server

# Lattice-based Secure Cryptosystem

- Four phases:
  - Setup phase
  - Key generation phase
  - Data encryption phase
  - Data decryption phase
- The three phases, the lattice polynomial vectors are used as input in the first phase and the KGC is generated i.e., the private and public key, in the second phase and shared with the Database Server (DS). In the last phase, the message is used as an input parameter and combines it with the random polynomial. If any user sent a request to access the medical data, the KGC transfers the secret key pair to the DS using a secure channel. The DS process the plaintext message using the input parameters and the secret key pair.



# Challenges in healthcare IoT

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- IoT paves the way for high flexibility, i.e., the patient requires constant care, and he/she can live in the home instead of the hospital and be monitored regularly using IoT technology. Some wearable devices like sensors make uncomfortable for the patient's body.
- The data transmitted from the sensor to the control device and further transmitted to the monitoring center, which will affect the quality of the data due to noise. Better architecture helps to transmit the data without affecting its nature. Noise removal technique can also help to enhance the data signal.

# Challenges in healthcare IoT

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- Most of the existing methods in ECG monitoring involve analyzing the signal in a supervised manner. This increases the cost and may produce an error in detection. Machine learning can be applied in analyzing the signal, which helps to improve efficiency and reduce expenses.
- An increasing number of sensors and the devices require higher energy to process, and it increases the power leakage and energy consumption. An optimization algorithm can be used to reduce the usage of energy.

# Challenges in healthcare IoT

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- Monitoring many numbers of users in the IoT requires more storage and mainframe, which can be overcome by storing the data in the Cloud. However, the IoT integrated with the cloud increases the complexity.
- Another important problem in the IoT is privacy as the devices are more vulnerable to attacks. These devices have low resource constraints which makes it difficult to apply encryption techniques on them.



cloud computing is used to handle data and provides resource sharing facilities,



Wearable technologies are efficient but demand the patience of users for their short battery lifecycle; needing to be charged regularly (if it requires nurse engagement, it sort of defeats the point



The data is very vulnerable to hackers/attackers

# What are the applications of IoT devices in Healthcare?

- IoT in healthcare is the ecosystem of IoT-enabled healthcare devices connected via chips, sensors, or other related technologies to constantly monitor patient vital signs (e.g. blood pressure, heart rate, temperature, respiration rate, etc.), physician's activity, and the overall hospital environment, to improve the efficiency of hospital equipment and staff.

# IOT Healthcare Devices

## Wearables

- Smartwatches
- Rings
- Vests

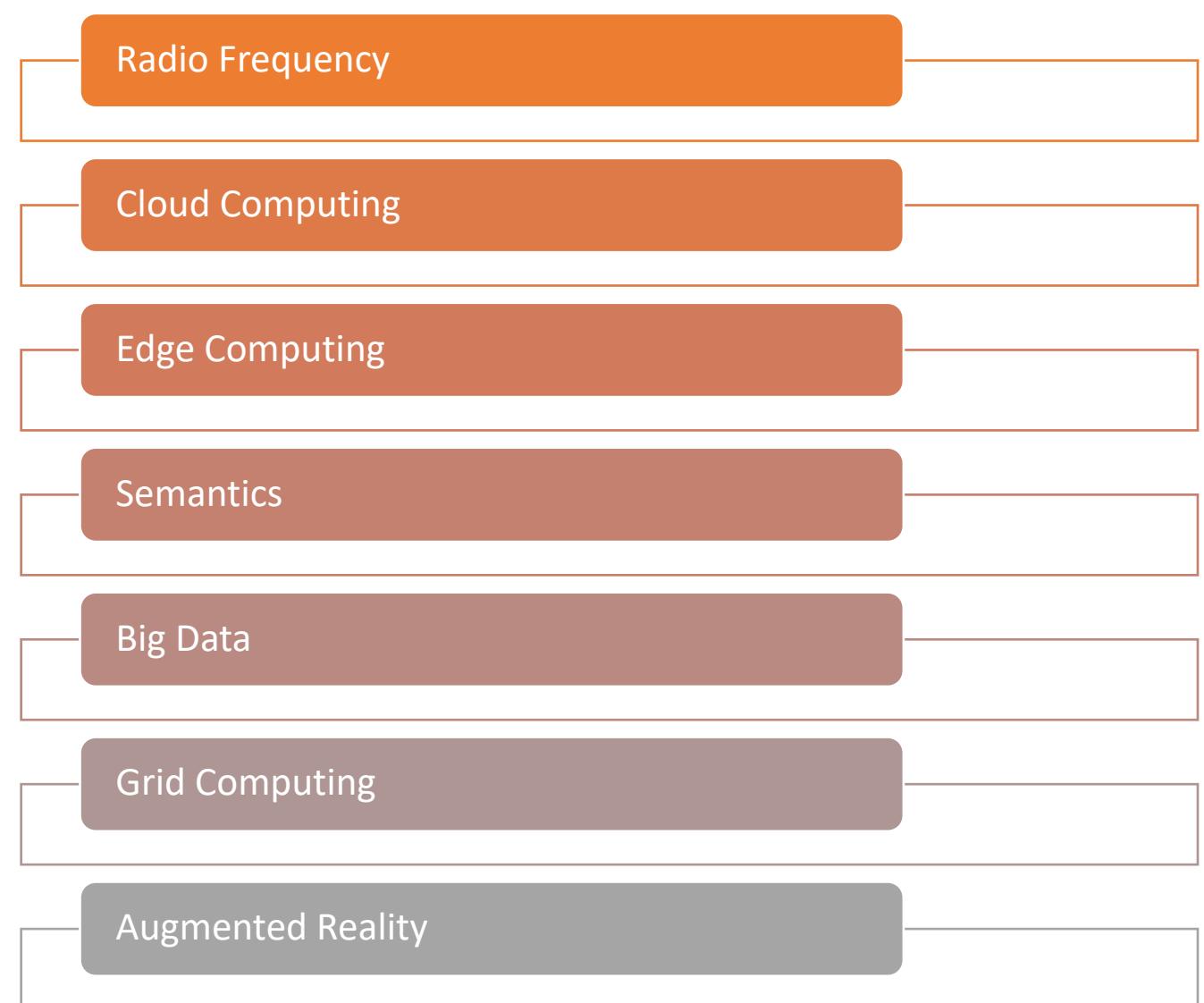
## Monitors and sensors

- Heart monitors
- Sleep monitors
- Temperature monitors
- Air quality sensors

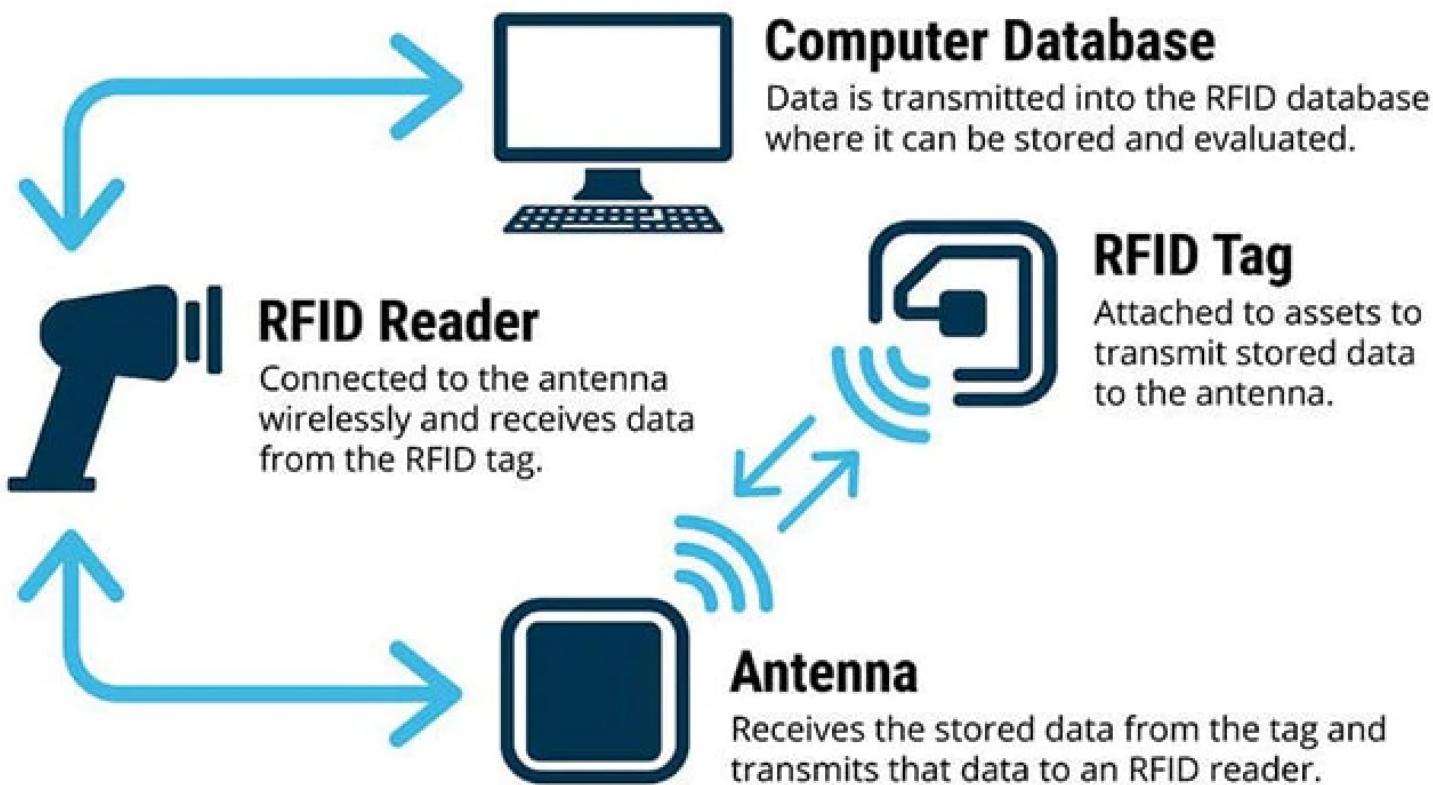
## Trackers

- Medication refill reminder technology
- Drug effectiveness tracking

# IOT Healthcare Methods



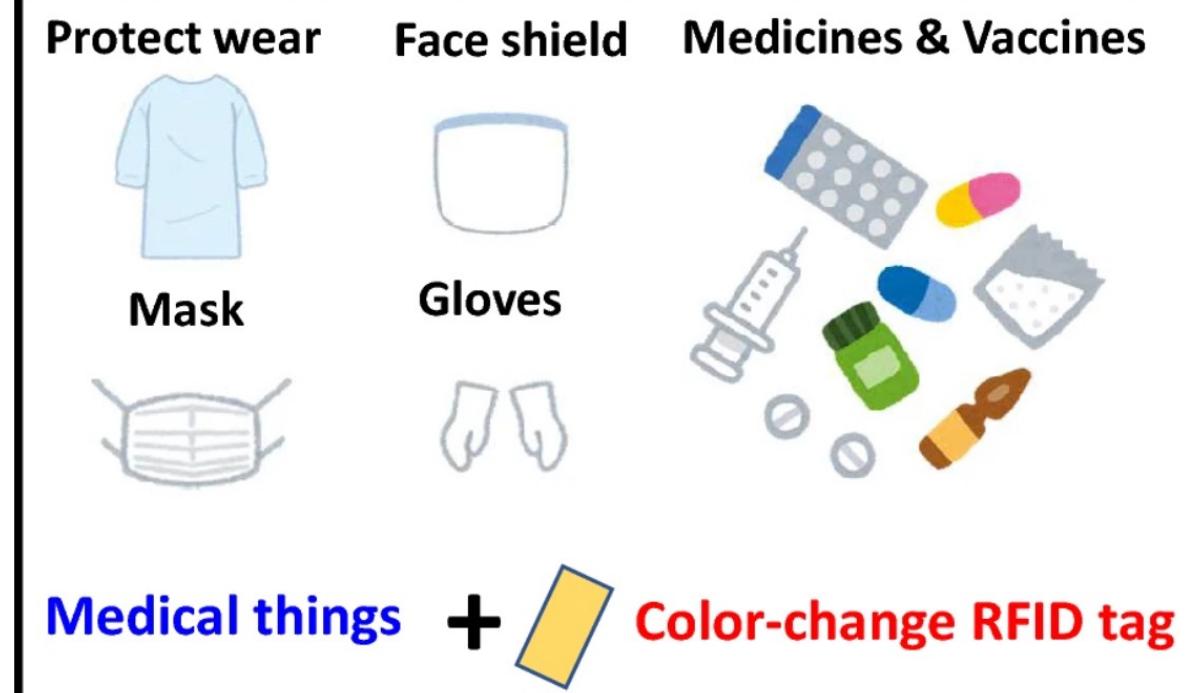
# Radio Frequency Identification



- **Active RFID**. An active RFID tag has its own power source, often a battery.
- **Passive RFID**. A passive RFID tag receives its power from the reading antenna.
- The RFID reader is a **network-connected device that can be portable or permanently attached**. It uses radio waves to transmit signals that activate the tag.

# RFID in Healthcare

- In healthcare, RFID technology allows the moving of medical equipment with **passive RFID** tags. Real-time location system (RTLS) enables real-time tracking of tagged objects and helps to create a system of connected devices that dynamically track and report any status change about their location, conditions, and amount.
- The RFID reader is installed in places such as medicine storerooms, check-up rooms, and sickrooms
- The color of the specific RFID tag changes as a sign of disposal, disinfection, or other treatment



Visual management of medical things using a color-change RFID tag.

# Wearables :Vests



**Multiple sensors  
working together to  
improve worker safety,  
enforcing social  
distancing and  
improving productivity**

# Cloud Computing in Healthcare

- Cloud computing in healthcare describes the practice of implementing remote servers accessed via the internet to **store, manage and process healthcare-related data**. This is in contrast to establishing an on-site data center with servers, or hosting the data on a personal computer.

Electronic Medical Record(EMR)

Reduce data storage cost

Offers superior data security

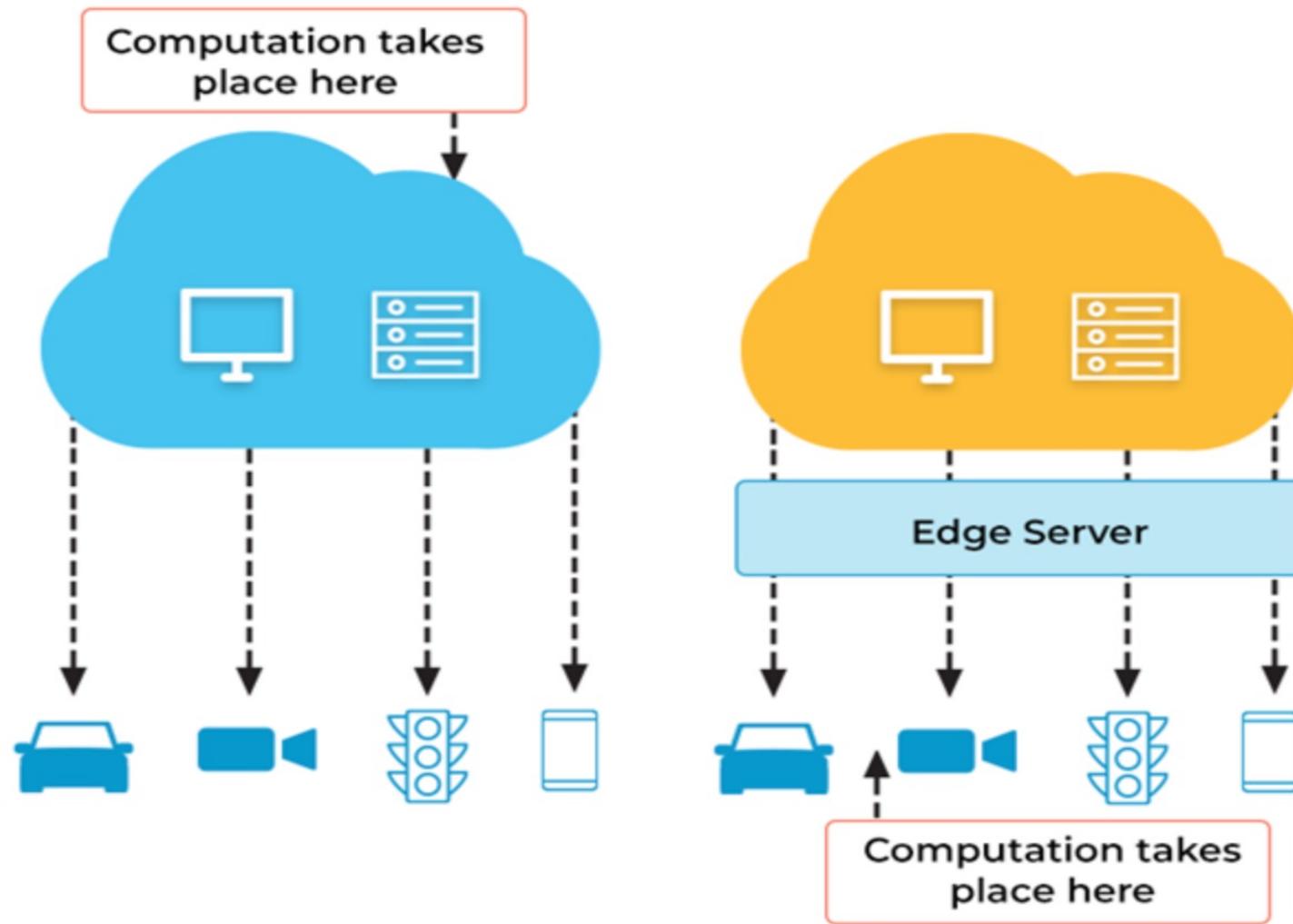
Enhances Patient Safety

Streamlines Collaborative Patient Care

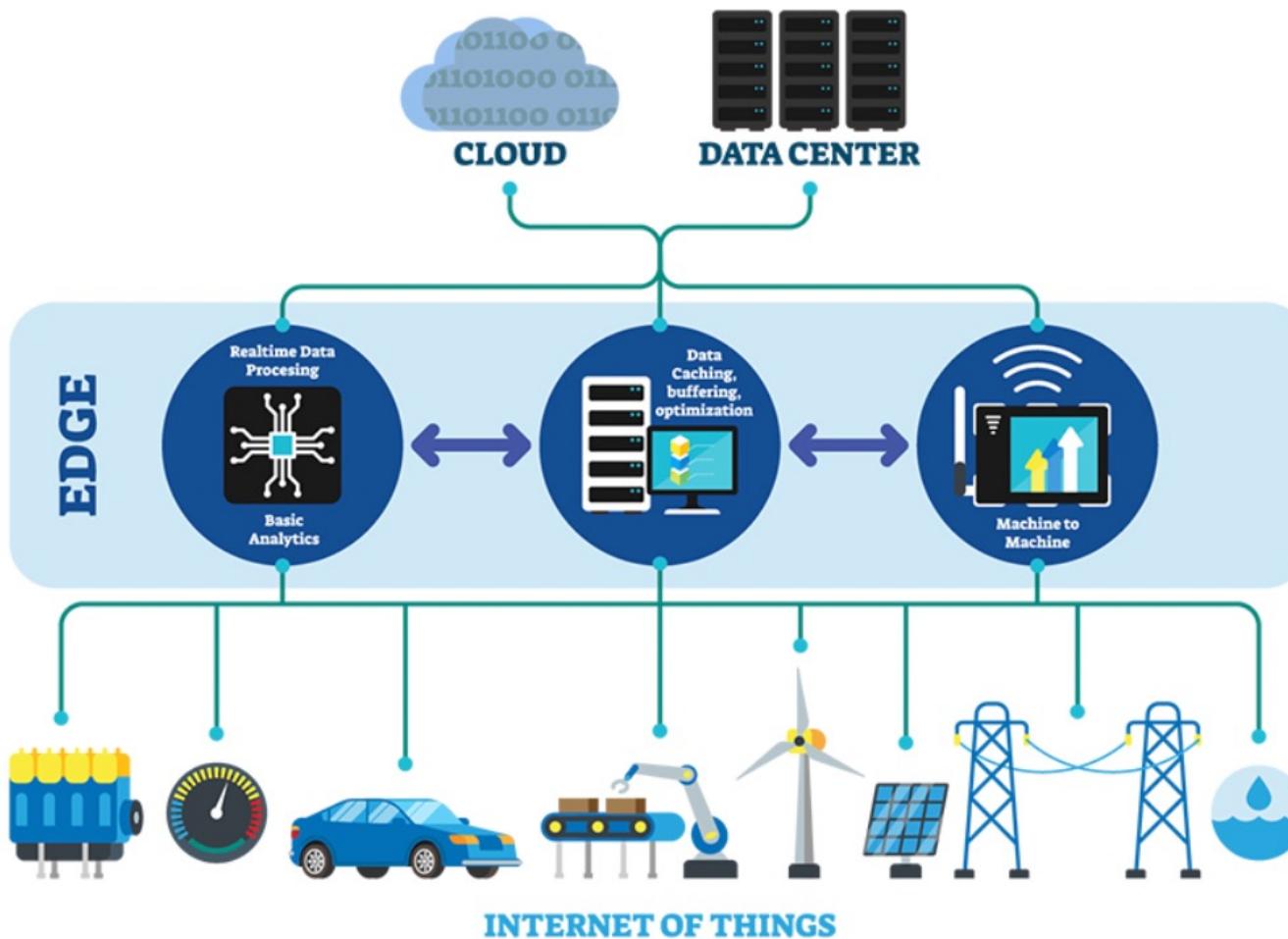
Medical Research

Paves the Way for Big Data Applications

## CLOUD COMPUTING VS. EDGE COMPUTING

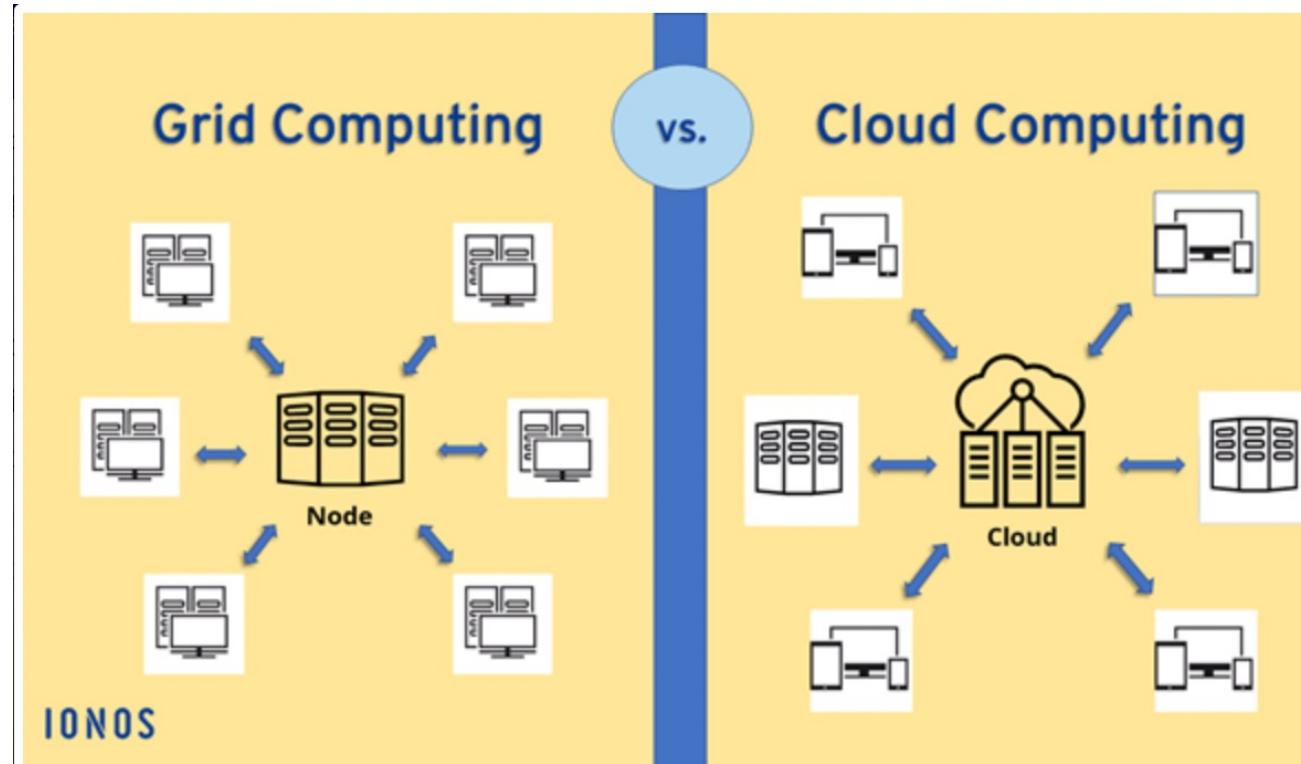


# Edge Computing



- Edge computing is a distributed computing paradigm that brings computation and data storage closer to the sources of data. This is expected to improve response times and save bandwidth.
- **Healthcare Devices:** Health monitors and other wearable health care devices can keep an eye on chronic conditions for patients. It can save lives by instantly alerting caregivers when help is required.
- Robots assisting in surgery must be able to quickly analyze data in order to assist safely, quickly, and accurately. If these devices rely on transmitting data to the cloud before making decisions, the results could be fatal.

# Grid Computing



- Grid computing is the use of widely distributed computer resources to reach a common goal. System **that allocates a set of computer nodes running in a cluster to jointly perform a given task.**
- A group of networked computers which work together as a virtual supercomputer to perform large tasks, such as analysing huge sets of data.



# Security



Security  
Requirements



Security  
Challenges



Threat model



Attack Taxonomy

# Security Requirements

Scalability

Communications Media

Multiplicity of Devices

Multiprotocol Network

Attacks based on Information Disruption-  
Interruption,Confidentiality,Modification,Replay.

Attacks based on Host properties –  
User,Hardware,Software compromise.

# Security Requirements

Confidentiality

Integrity

Authentication

Availability

Data Freshness

Non Repudation

Authorization

Resiliency

Fault Tolerance

Self-Healing

# Security Requirements

Denial-of-Service(DoS)

Unauthorised access

confidentiality of data

Making trusted platforms

Authenticity

Data transmission control

# Security Challenges

- Restriction Computation
- Memory Limitations
- Uncertainty
- Maintain the standardization
- Interaction with Internet
- Connect the scalable networks
- Integrate the data management
- Control security protocol
- Embedded devices with software
- Integrate with analyzed health data

# Applications & Services

- IOT Healthcare Applications (few examples)
- Telehealth
- Tracking of information
- Drug Management
- Food Management

# Applications & Services



Determination of  
glucose Level



Monitoring of  
Electrocardiogram



Monitoring of  
Blood pressure



Monitoring of  
oxygen saturation

# Challenges & Open Issues



Standardization



Security



Cost



Quality of  
Service



Network  
Architecture



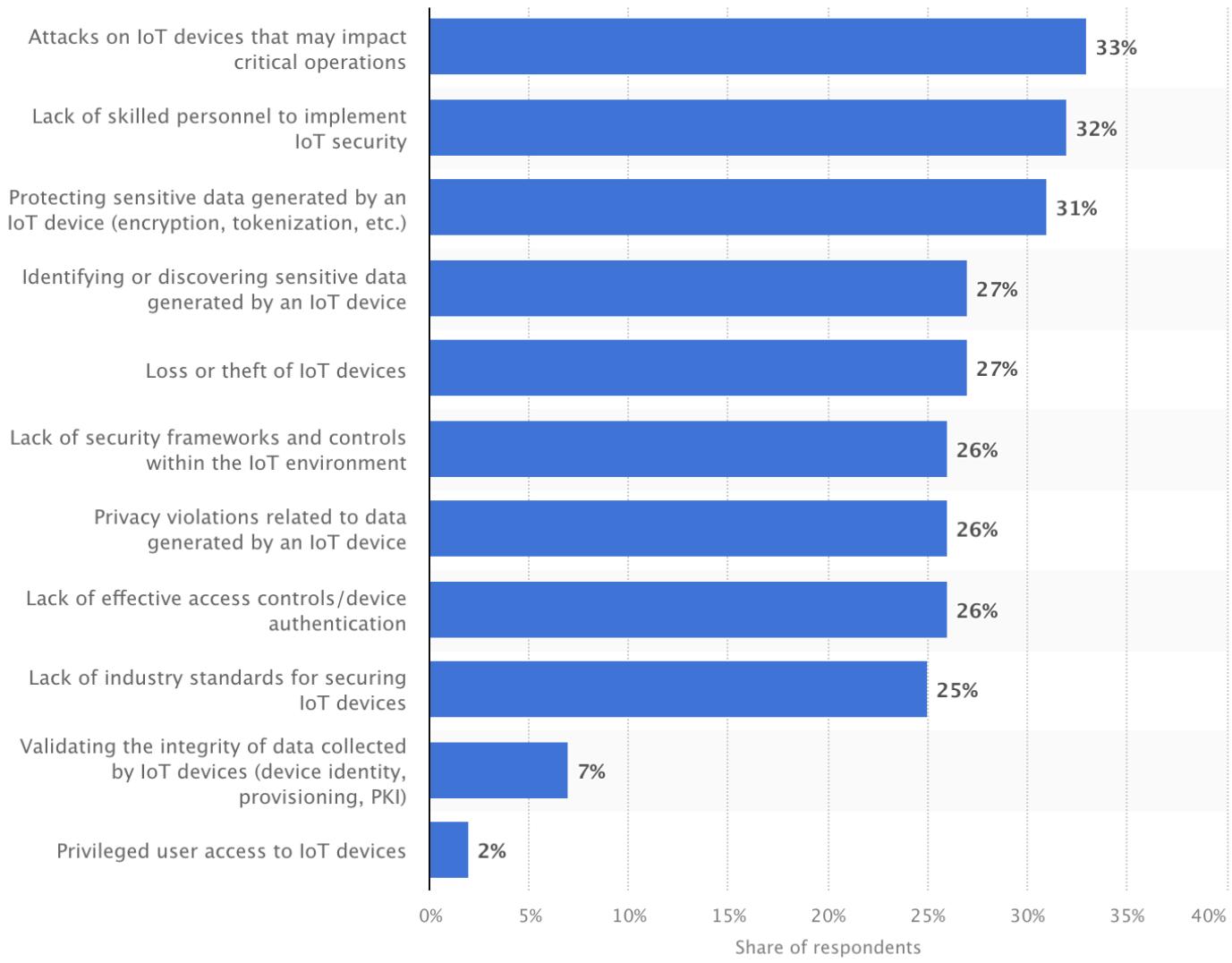
Technology  
Transition



Power  
Consumption

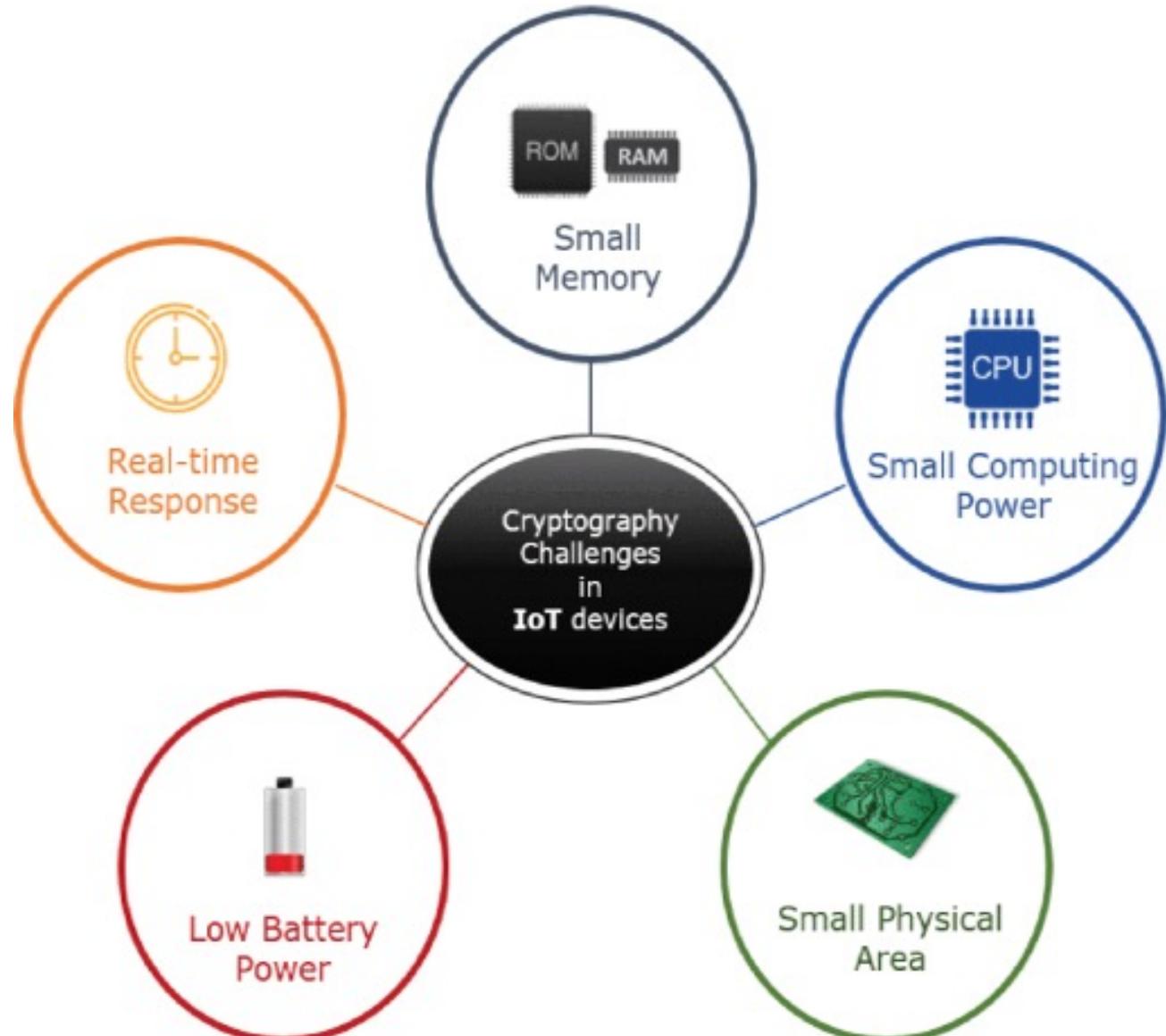


Data  
Protection



# Future Scope

- We can implement light weight crypto algorithms instead of AES, DES, Hashing, RC-4.
- Less memory
- Less computing resource
- Less power supply to provide security solution that can work over resource-limited devices.



# Holochain for Distributed Security in IoT Healthcare

- This article talked about blockchains and how they are an important key in the healthcare.
- Blockchains consists of blocks that contain data which the nodes themselves contain the transaction of the person.
- The issue with block chain is that it consumes too much data and memory.
- Holochain overcomes the above mentioned weakness.

# Holochain

- Saves memory and time then blockchain by storing essential data in the nodes.
- Better preventing unwanted attacks.
- More efficient then block chain when it comes to large networks.
- Cheaper to maintain

# Holochain

- IoT, perception layer, application layer and network layer

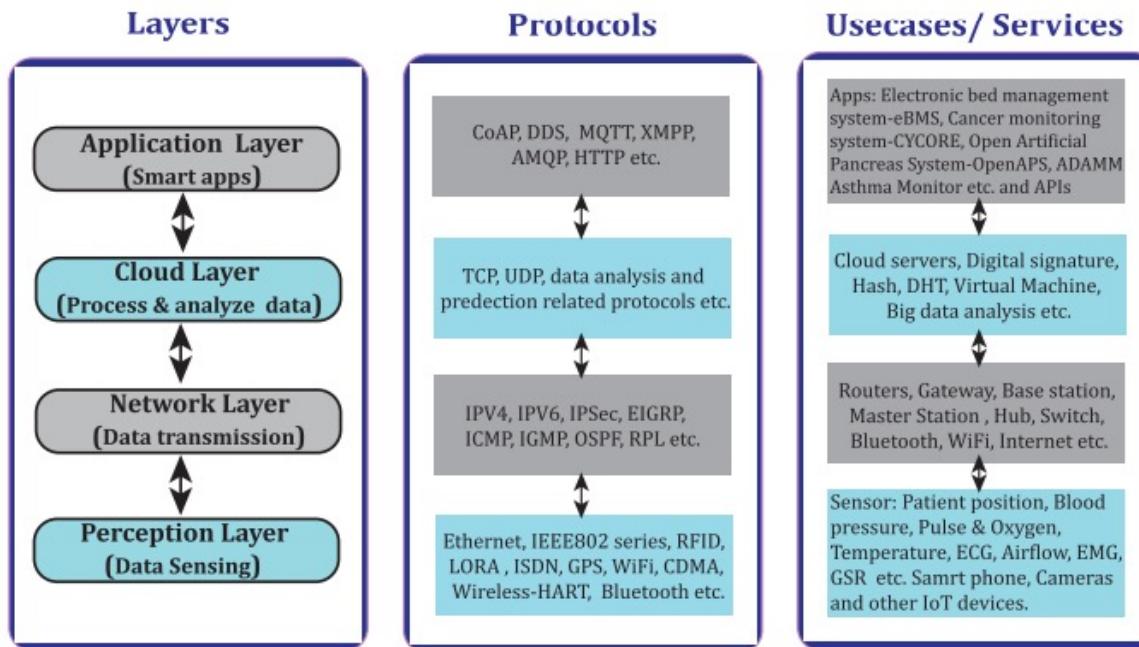


FIGURE 3. Layer-wise protocols and technologies of the IoT healthcare architecture.

# Structure of Holochain

- DNA, Genesis, and Transactions
- DNA consists of the overall structure of Holochain.  
Genesis contains hash to make sure the DNA blocks follows the rules.  
It also creates a happ which will have the code for it to follow.

# Holochain

- Holochain, Holofuel , Hashchain, and DHT.
- Holofuel deals with online currency to support the hosts.
- Hashchain makes sure none of the data gets changed.
- DHT is a network where users can transmit information through the nodes.

# Future Scope

- Holochain has many advantages over blockchains
- It can save time and resources in the healthcare system
- There are still risk such as DDos attacks, manipulating data with bad intent and MitM
- Over time Holochain will become dominant in the healthcare field.