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Internet of Things (IoT)

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- Term coined by British technologist Kevin Ashton in 1999.
- A vast network of smart objects which work together in collecting, analysing data and autonomously performing actions.



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Some predictions for IoT

- By 2025, the total installed base of IoT connected devices worldwide will be 30.9 billion, up from 13.8 billion units in 2021.

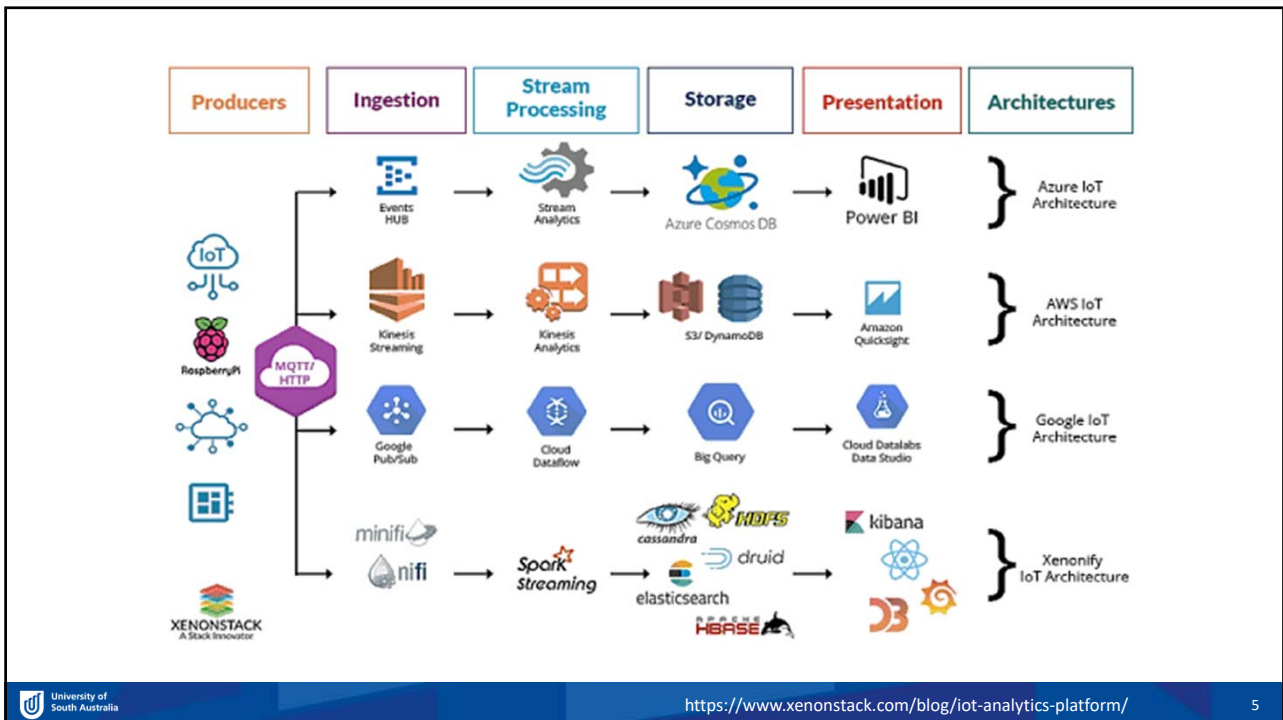
Source: <http://www.statista.com>

- By 2025, 50% of industrial enterprises will use industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) platforms to improve factory operations, up from 10% in 2020.
- Through 2025, 25% of large global industrial enterprises will acquire or invest in an IIoT platform company; up from 5% in 2020.

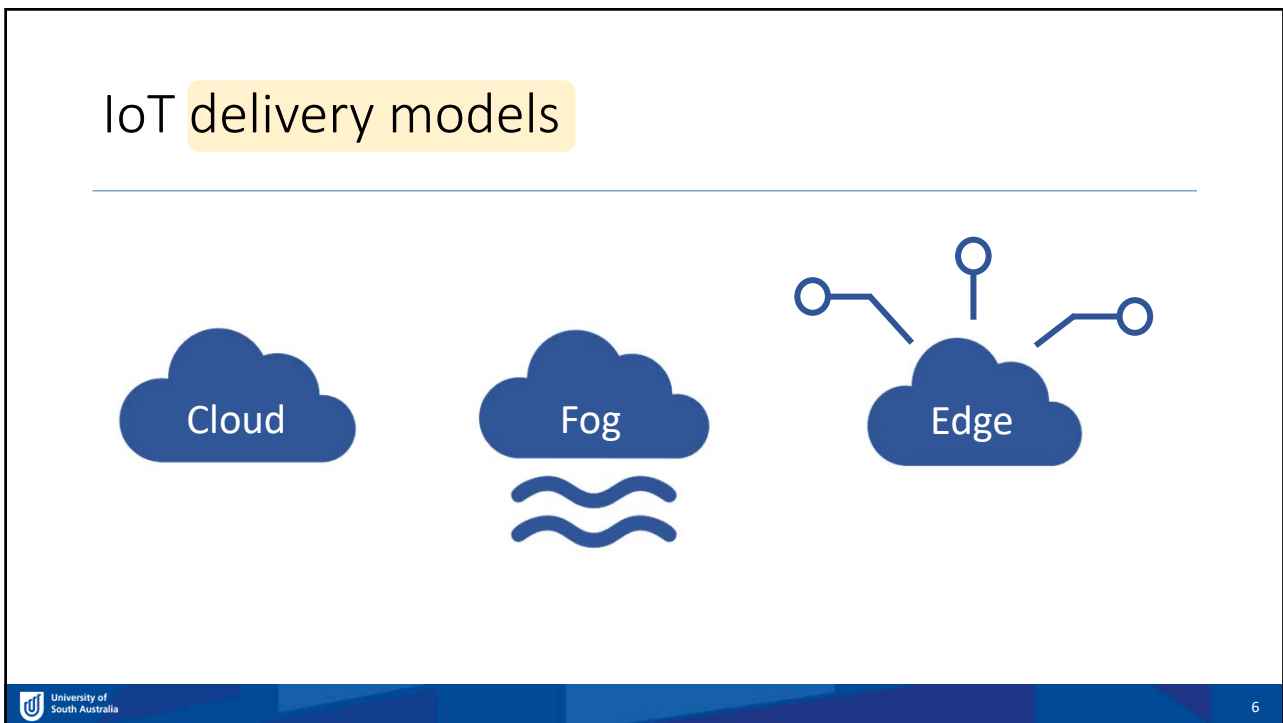
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IoT architecture layers





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Fog computing

- A mix of a traditional centralised data storage system and cloud.
- Urgent requests are sent directly to the fog and processed locally in the network.
- Less sensitive data is transferred to the cloud for storage and analysis.
- Useful when the internet connection isn't always stable.



Edge computing

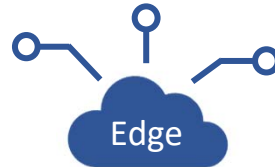
- Edge computing processes data away from centralised storage.
- Information is kept on **edge devices** (the local parts of the network).
- When data is sent to the edge device, it can be processed directly.
- Least vulnerable form of decentralised storage.



Why fog and edge computing?



Low latency
Better data control
Flexible storage system



No delays in data processing
Real time data analysis
Low network traffic

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