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Q1.] Explain the steps involved in the IOT design Methodology.

- The IOT Design Methodology provides a systematic process to develop IOT-based applications or systems.
The key steps are:

1. Purpose & Requirements Identification

- Define the main purpose of the IOT application.
- Identify the user requirements (e.g. data to be collected, devices to be connected, expected output).

2. Process Specification

- Describe the processes that will occur in the IOT system.

- Example: In a smart agriculture system → Soil moisture sensing, data transmission, Irrigation control

3. Domain Model Specification

- Model the entities and their relationships

- Ex: Soil sensor → sends data to cloud → decision engine
→ water pump actuator.

4. Information Model Specification

- Define the type, format, and structure of data

- Ex: Temperature as float, Time as timestamp.

5. Service Specification

- Identify the services the system will provide (eg. Real-time monitoring, remote control, alarms).

6. IOT Level Specification

- Decide, which IOT level, (out of 5 levels: Perception, Network, Edge, Middleware, Application) will be used.

7. Functional View Specification

- Map the functionalities to IOT levels and identify interactions between devices and services.

8. Operational View Specification

- Define how the system operates in real-world conditions (connectivity, availability, Scalability).

9. Device & Component Integration

- Choose appropriate sensors, actuators, communication protocols, cloud platforms, and integrate them.

10. Testing & Deployment

- Test the IOT system in real-world scenarios and deploy it for end users.



Q.2.] Illustrate the different pillars of IOT.

→ - The pillars of IOT are the fundamental building blocks that enable IOT systems to function.

1.] RFID (Radio - Frequency Identification)

- Wireless tech to identify & track objects/people using radio waves.

Core Parts :

- Tags (Passive/Active) :

- Store IDs/data

- Readers/Antennas :

- Read tag data

- Middleware/DB :

- Filter, aggregate, route data

► Provides automatic identification, linking physical assets to digital records - foundation for inventory, asset tracking, access control.

Examples: Retail Inventory, Library books

NOTE: Passive tags are low-cost & battery-less;

Active tags have range but need power

2.] WSN (Wireless Sensor Network)

- Network of sensor nodes (MCU + sensor(s) + radio + power) that sense environment and communicate,

often multi-hop.



Core parts:

- Sensor Nodes: Temperature, humidity, motion, etc
- Topology: Star / mesh / tree
- Gateway / Sink: bridges WSN to IP / cloud

- Protocols / Tech: IEEE 802.15.4 (ZigBee), 6LoWPAN, Thread, BLE, Mesh;

► Provides Scalable, low-power data acquisition from the physical world.

Example: Smart agriculture fields, environment monitoring, smart buildings.

3] M2M (Machine-to-Machine Communication)

- Direct device-to-device / cloud data exchange with little / no human involvement

• Connectivity: Cellular (2G/3G/4G/5G), Ethernet, Wi-Fi, LPWAN, ZigBee, BLE.

• Protocols: MQTT, CoAP, HTTP/REST, AMQP, SMS-based in legacy M2M.

► Real-time telemetry, commands, and event-driven automation across heterogeneous devices.

Examples: Smart meters auto-reporting, vending machines restock alerts, fleet telematics



4] SCADA (Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition)

- Industrial control architecture for monitoring & controlling processes across sites.

- Core Parts:

- Field Devices: RTUs, PLCs, sensors, actuators
- Communication: fieldbuses / industrial Ethernet
- SCADA Server & HMI: data acquisition, alarms, trends, operator control

➤ - Brings supervisory control / telemetry from plants, grids, pipelines into the IOT world,

- Modern IIOT integrates SCADA data with cloud analytics

Examples: Power grid monitoring, water treatment, oil & gas pipelines, factory automation.

NOTE: Security is critical (network segmentation, authentication, patching).

Q3.] Explain the concept of Machine-to-Machine (M2M) Communication in the context of IOT.

→ Machine-to-Machine (M2M) communication refers to the direct exchange of data between devices without human intervention.

• Role in IoT :

→ IoT heavily depends on M2M communication for automation and real-time control.

- Devices communicate over wired/wireless networks to perform tasks intelligently.

• Features

1. Autonomous Communication :

- Devices talk to each other automatically.

2. Real-time Data Sharing

- Fast transmission of data.

3. Protocol Support

- Uses MQTT, CoAP, HTTP, etc.

4. Efficiency

- Reduces human effort and error.

• Example in IoT

- In Smart homes : Motion sensor detects movement

→ informs smart light → Light turns on automatically

- In Smart health care : Wearable monitors patient's

heartbeat → Sends data to doctor's system

→ alerts if abnormal



Q4.] Describe device and component integration for IoT-based home automation system

→ In an IoT-based home automation system, multiple devices and components must be integrated for smooth functioning.

1. Devices & Components Used:

- Sensors: - Motion, temperature, humidity, gas, smoke
- Actuators: - Smart lights, fans, smart locks, alarms.
- Microcontrollers/Microprocessors: Arduino, Raspberry Pi, ESP 32
- Communication Modules: WiFi, Bluetooth, Zigbee
- Cloud Platform: AWS IoT, Blynk, Google Firebase
- User Interface: Mobile App, Voice Assistance

2. Integration Process:

- Step 1: Sensors detect environmental changes (motion detected, temperature rise).
- Step 2: Data is sent to microcontroller via communication modules.
- Step 3: Microcontroller processes data and sends it to the cloud for storage/analysis.
- Step 4: Cloud sends command back to actuators.
- Step 5: Actuators perform action (turn on AC, switch off lights).
- Step 6: User can monitor/control through app or voice command.



Q.5] What are horizontal and Vertical IOT applications?

→ IOT applications are broadly classified into Horizontal and Vertical models:

1. Horizontal IOT Applications

- Provide general-purpose IOT solutions usable across industries

- Focus is on connectivity, cloud storage, and device management

- Example:

- Cloud IOT platforms (AWS IOT, Azure IOT Hub)
- Data analytics platforms
- Connectivity services (LoRaWAN, 5G)

2. Vertical IOT Applications

- Industry-specific or domain-specific solutions.

- Tailored to solve a particular sector's needs.

- Example:

- Healthcare: Remote patient monitoring, wearable devices

- Agriculture: Smart irrigation systems

- Smart Home: Home automation and security systems

• Difference in Short

1. Horizontal = Generic platform (Foundation).

2. Vertical = Specific use case (Industry-focused solutions)