

Part 4 Two Decades at Bosch

Connecting Boilers and Taming Big Data

Part 4 of 7: Lollar - Simplicity &

Fundamentals Conquer Scale



§ 1/11: Recap Pivotal Times in Plochingen

IoT Vision Agile Awareness
Part 3

- Inspired by early IoT & REST APIs.
- My journey then led to Lollar,

Germany, with a fascinating IoT

challenge.



§ 2/11: The Challenge Connecting Boilers

IoT Data Acquisition from UK Boilers to Germany

Task: Connect boilers in the UK to the internet and acquire data in Lollar.

With a futuristic team, we had them

connected within the first week!



§ 3/11: The Solution Elegant Integration

Leveraging Observer Pattern Not a Full Overhaul

- With few libraries...
- ...and leveraging the Observer

 pattern in Java within the existing

 application...
- ...we started receiving a big data.

Voila!



§ 4/11: Next Hurdle Managing Data Growth

Rapidly Growing Time Series Data Pre Cloud Hadoop Era

- Accessing and managing this data became the next challenge.
- This was before widespread cloud solutions or readily available Hadoop.



§ 5/11: Initial Approach Scale Up

Investing in a Powerful Server in Feuerbach

- We initially tried to "scale up" with a powerful server.
- Despite this, performance issues persisted as data volumes exploded.



§ 6/11: Back to Basics Yet Again

Database Design Indexing Query Optimization

- Time to meticulously re-evaluate:
- Database design, indexing strategies, join operations.
- Now dealing with millions of rows daily.



§ 7/11: The Solution Daily Partitions Big O

Optimizing Application Logic for Scale

- Created daily partitions based on dates.
- Rigorously optimized application logic based on **Big O complexity**.
- Results were astounding!

§ 8/11: The Success Story

5 Million Writes Per Day on a Single Server

- We successfully managed 5 million writes/day on one server.
- Once, a 3rd party server outage led to 17M+ writes post-recovery.
- Our system handled it flawlessly.

No downtime.

We made history at Bosch!



§ 9/11: The Mantra Keep it Simple Stick to Basics

Skillful Architecture
Thoughtful Design
Fundamentals

Proved that skillful architecture, design, and adherence to fundamentals...

...could achieve remarkable results, even with limited resources.



§ 10/11: Beyond Data Acquisition Analytics

Visualizing Data Detecting Outliers Trends Spikes

- Created a product to visualize incoming data streams.
- Wrote dozens of scenarios for early data analytics.
- Curiosity led to Twitter API experiments, learning UX/Big Data from the best, leading to Hadoop proficiency.



§ 11/11: Early IoT Suite and Future Proofing

PoCs Feedback Data Growth Calculator

Used early Bosch IoT Suite for PoCs, providing feedback for its evolution.

Created an "IoT Data Growth

Calculator" in Excel, shared widely.

Next Up (Part 5): Alliances,

Analytics, and the Rise of Scaled Agile.

Stay tuned!



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