

# Chapter 3

## IoT & M2M

# INTERNET OF THINGS

## A Hands-On Approach

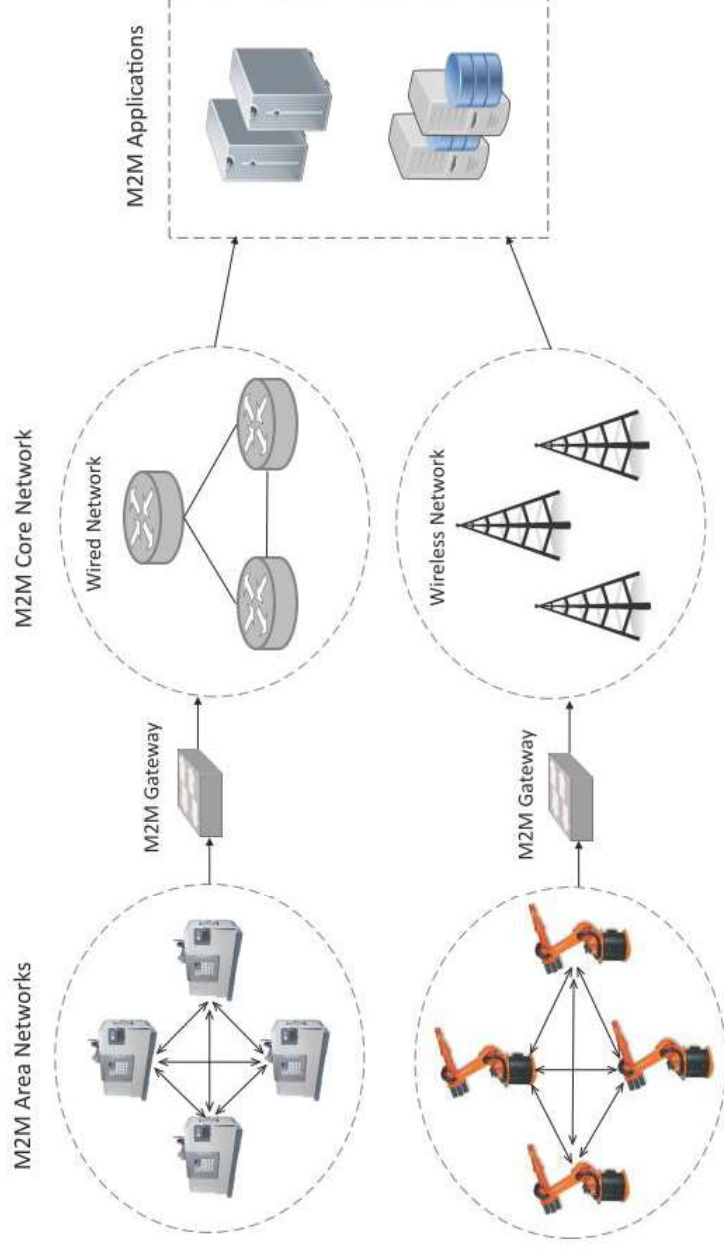


# Outline

- M2M
- Differences and Similarities between M2M and IoT
- SDN and NFV for IoT

# Machine-to-Machine (M2M)

- Machine-to-Machine (M2M) refers to networking of machines (or devices) for the purpose of remote monitoring and control and data exchange.

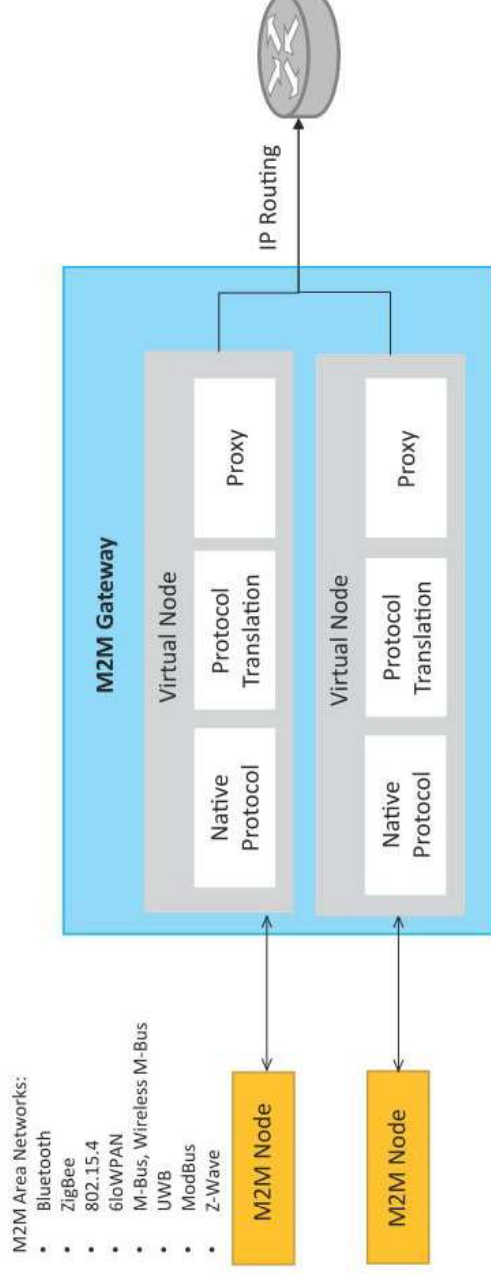


# Machine-to-Machine (M2M)

- An M2M area network comprises of machines (or M2M nodes) which have embedded hardware modules for sensing, actuation and communication.
- Various communication protocols can be used for M2M local area networks such as ZigBee, Bluetooth, ModBus, M-Bus, Wireless M-Bus, Power Line Communication (PLC), 6LoWPAN, IEEE 802.15.4, etc.
- The communication network provides connectivity to remote M2M area networks.
- The communication network can use either wired or wireless networks (IP-based).
- While the M2M area networks use either proprietary or non-IP based communication protocols, the communication network uses IP-based networks.

# M2M gateway

- Since non-IP based protocols are used within M2M area networks, the M2M nodes within one network cannot communicate with nodes in an external network.
- To enable the communication between remote M2M area networks, M2M gateways are used.



# Difference between IoT and M2M

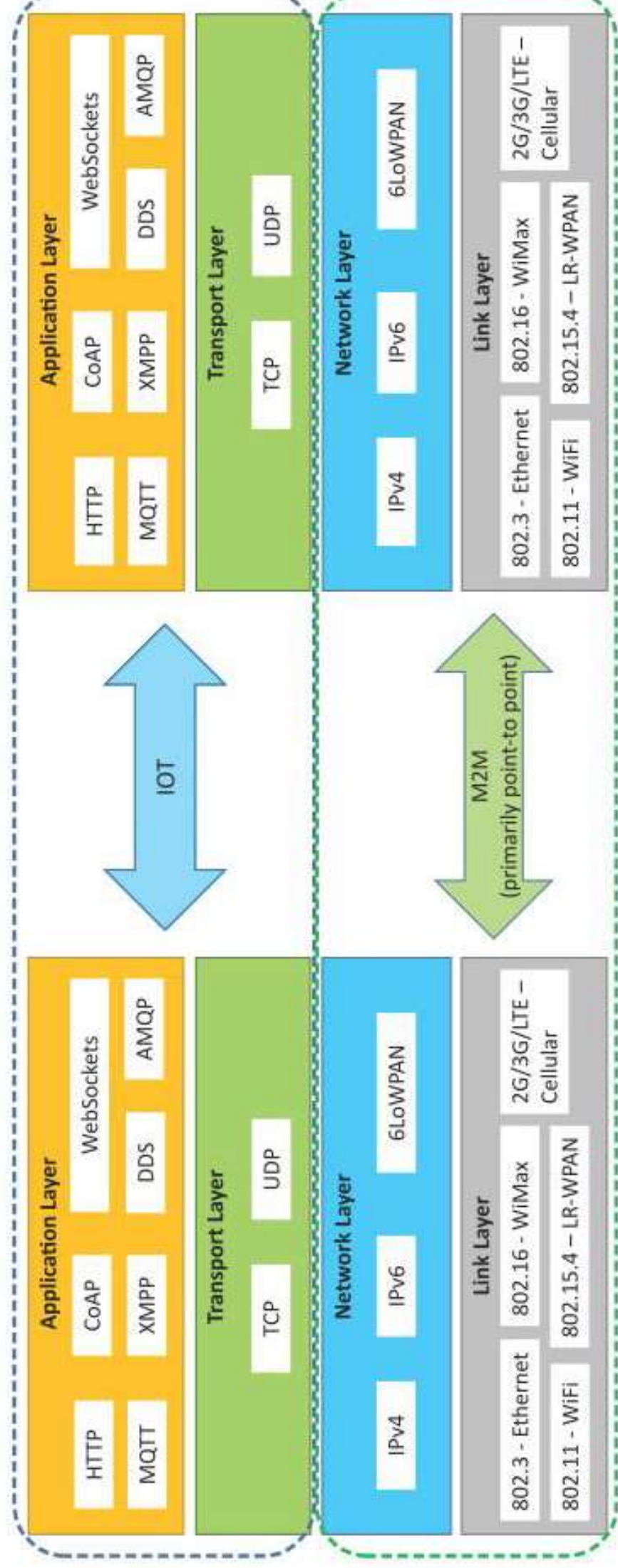
- **Communication Protocols**
  - M2M and IoT can differ in how the communication between the machines or devices happens.
  - M2M uses either proprietary or non-IP based communication protocols for communication within the M2M area networks.
- **Machines in M2M vs Things in IoT**
  - The "Things" in IoT refers to physical objects that have unique identifiers and can sense and communicate with their external environment (and user applications) or their internal physical states.
  - M2M systems, in contrast to IoT, typically have homogeneous machine types within an M2M area network.

# Difference between IoT and M2M

- **Hardware vs Software Emphasis**
  - While the emphasis of M2M is more on hardware with embedded modules, the emphasis of IoT is more on software.
- **Data Collection & Analysis**
  - M2M data is collected in point solutions and often in on-premises storage infrastructure.
  - In contrast to M2M, the data in IoT is collected in the cloud (can be public, private or hybrid cloud).
- **Applications**
  - M2M data is collected in point solutions and can be accessed by on-premises applications such as diagnosis applications, service management applications, and on-premises enterprise applications.
  - IoT data is collected in the cloud and can be accessed by cloud applications such as analytics applications, enterprise applications, remote diagnosis and management applications, etc.



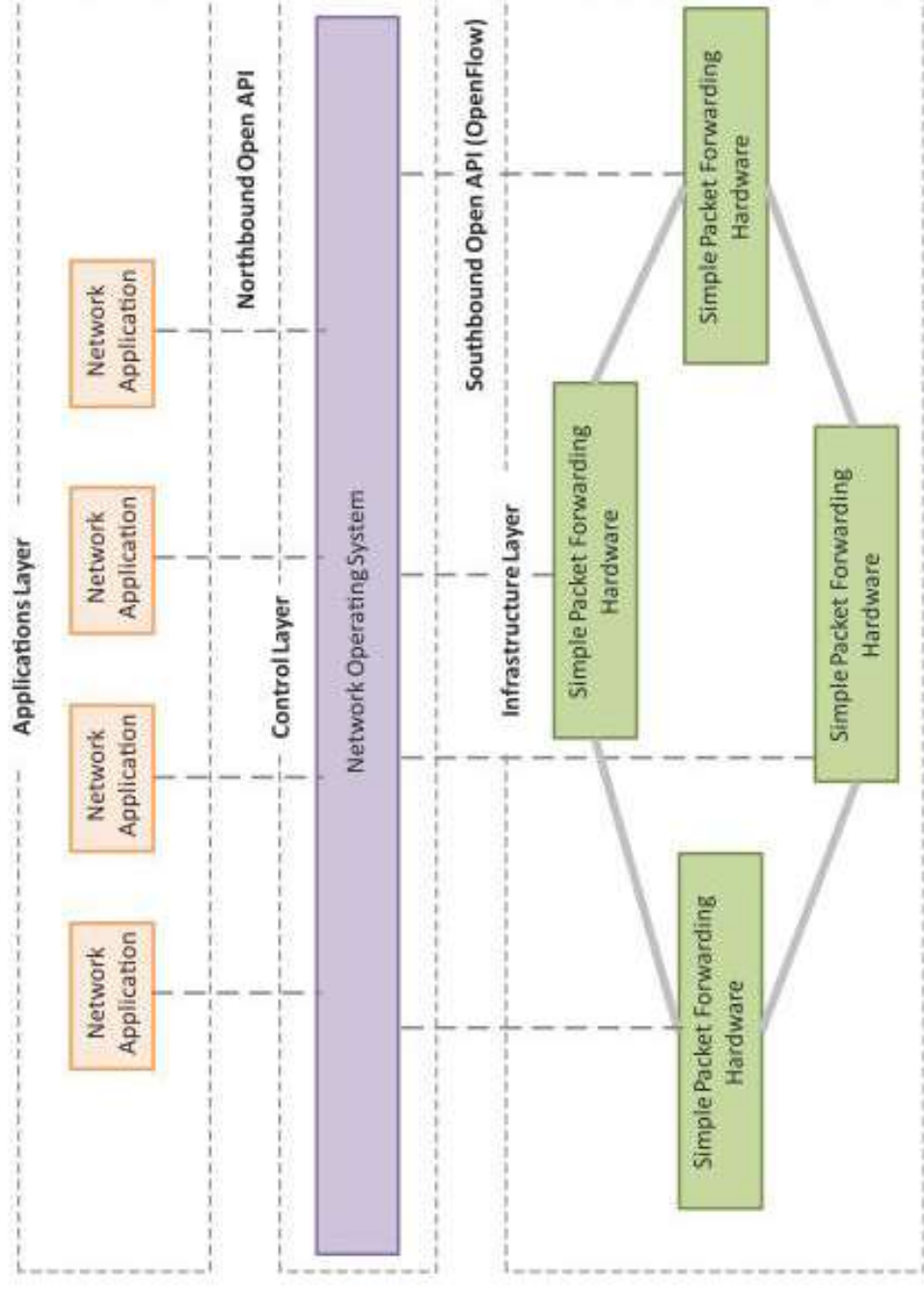
# Communication in IoT vs M2M





# SDN

- Software-Defined Networking (SDN) is a networking architecture that separates the control plane from the data plane and centralizes the network controller.
- Software-based SDN controllers maintain a unified view of the network and make configuration, management and provisioning simpler.
- The underlying infrastructure in SDN uses simple packet forwarding hardware as opposed to specialized hardware in conventional networks.

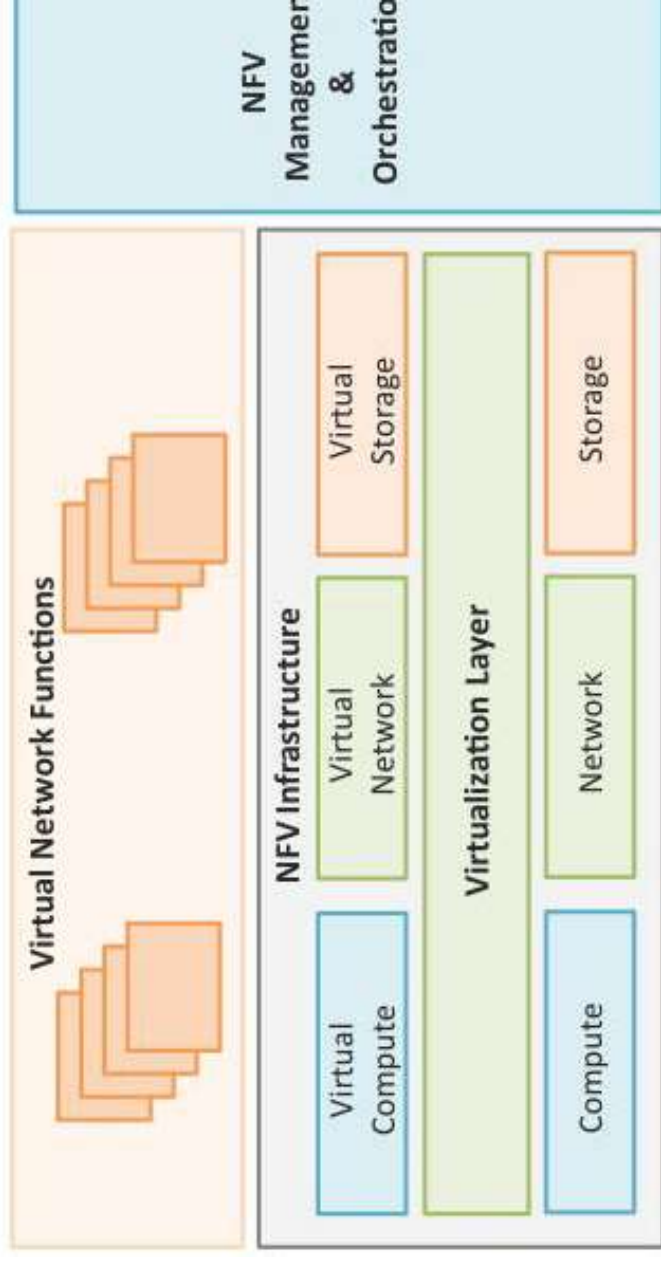


# Key elements of SDN

- Centralized Network Controller
  - With decoupled control and data planes and centralized network controller, the network administrators can rapidly configure the network.
- Programmable Open APIs
  - SDN architecture supports programmable open APIs for interface between the SDN application and control layers (Northbound interface).
- Standard Communication Interface (OpenFlow)
  - SDN architecture uses a standard communication interface between the control and infrastructure layers (Southbound interface).
  - OpenFlow, which is defined by the Open Networking Foundation (ONF) is the broadly accepted SDN protocol for the Southbound interface.

# NFV

- Network Function Virtualization (NFV) is a technology that leverages virtualization to consolidate the heterogeneous network devices onto industry standard high volume servers, switches and storage.
- NFV is complementary to SDN as NFV can provide the infrastructure on which SDN can run.



# Key elements of NFV

- Virtualized Network Function (VNF):
  - VNF is a software implementation of a network function which is capable of running over the NFV Infrastructure (NFVI).
- NFV Infrastructure (NFVI):
  - NFVI includes compute, network and storage resources that are virtualized.
- NFV Management and Orchestration:
  - NFV Management and Orchestration focuses on all virtualization-specific management tasks and covers the orchestration and life-cycle management of physical and/or software resources that support the infrastructure virtualization, and the life-cycle management of VNFs.

# NFV Use Case

- NFV can be used to virtualize the Home Gateway. The NFV infrastructure in the cloud hosts a virtualized Home Gateway. The virtualized gateway provides private IP addresses to the devices in the home. The virtualized gateway also connects to network services such as VoIP and IPTV.

