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Overview

To create the IoT backend, follow the steps detailed in this pack.

The front-end (GUI) code may follow later.



AWS IoT

AWS IoT is a managed cloud platform that lets connected devices - cars, light bulbs, sensor grids, and more - easily and securely interact with cloud applications and other devices.

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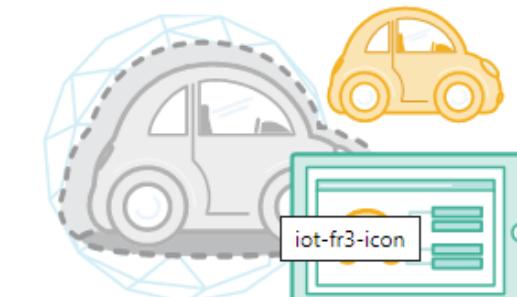
Connect and manage your devices

Connect devices to the cloud using the protocol that best fits your requirements - HTTP, MQTT, or WebSocket. Devices can communicate with each other even if they are using different protocols.

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Process and act upon device data

Filter, transform, and act upon data from devices on the fly, based on business rules. AWS IoT can be easily integrated with AWS services like Amazon DynamoDB, Amazon Kinesis, Amazon Machine Learning, and AWS Lambda.

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Read and set device state at any time

AWS IoT stores the latest state of a device so that it can be read or set anytime, even when the device is offline.

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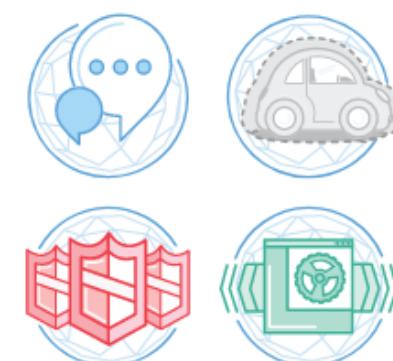
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Welcome to the AWS IoT Console

To get started, you can jump into the recommended starting points below, or explore other learning resources as needed.



See how AWS IoT works

Explore an interactive tutorial through the components of AWS IoT.

[Start the tutorial](#)

It takes 5 minutes



Connect to AWS IoT

Connect a device, a mobile or web app to AWS IoT in a few easy steps!

[View connection options](#)

Explore documentation

The AWS IoT documentation is a great resource for more details.

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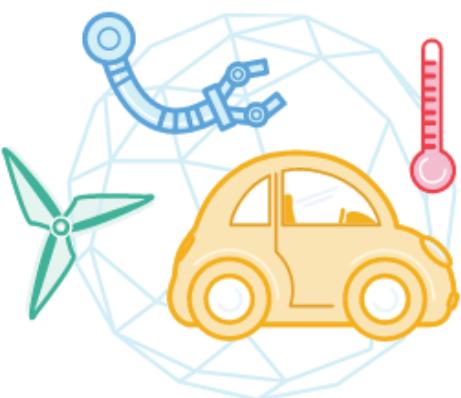
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You don't have any things yet

A thing is the representation of a device in the cloud.

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Creating AWS IoT things

An IoT thing is a representation and record of your physical device in the cloud. Any physical device needs a thing record in order to work with AWS IoT. [Learn more.](#)

Register a single AWS IoT thing

Create a thing in your registry

Create a single thing

Bulk register many AWS IoT things

Create things in your registry for a large number of devices already using AWS IoT, or register devices so they are ready to connect to AWS IoT.

Create many things

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Create a single thing



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Create a thing type

This will help you organize, categorize, and search for your things.

Name

This step creates a new thing type.

Name

Description

Apply a type

Using a thing type, you can define a common set of attributes for a group of things.

Thing Type

Set searchable thing attributes

You can define up to three attributes for a thing type. Things associated with this type can be searched by using these fields.

[Add another](#)

Add this thing type

Adding your thing type to a group or thing group.

Thing Group

Tags

Apply tags to your resources to help organize and identify them. A tag consists of a case-sensitive key-value pair.

[Learn more](#) about tagging your AWS resources.

Tag name

Value

[Clear](#)

Set searchable attributes

Enter a value for each attribute key.

Attribute key

Provide an attribute key for this thing type.

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This will help you organize, categorize, and search for your things.

Name

rPi

Description

Raspberry Pi with PIR

This step creates

Name

sensor1

Apply a type

Using a thing type makes it easier to search for common sets of attributes.

Thing Type

No type selected

[Add another](#)**Add this thing to a group**

Adding your thing to a group makes it easier to manage them.

Thing Group

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Tags

Apply tags to your resources to help organize and identify them. A tag consists of a case-sensitive key-value pair.

[Learn more](#) about tagging your AWS resources.**Tag name**

Provide a tag name, e.g. Manufacturer

Value

Provide a tag value, e.g. Acme-Corporation

[Clear](#)[Add another](#)**Set searchable attributes**

Enter a value for each attribute key.

Attribute key

Provide an attribute key

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Create a thing group

Create a thing group to help you organize things.

Parent group

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Name

Description

Raspberry Pi sensors

Set group attributes

Enter a value for one or more of these attributes

Attribute key

Provide an attribute key, e.g. Manufacturer

Value

Provide an attribute value, e.g. Acme-Corporation

[Clear](#)

[Add another](#)

Set search filters

Enter a value

This thing type

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Name

sensors

Description

Raspberry Pi sensors

This step creates a new thing group.

Name

sensor1

Set group attributes

Apply a type

Enter a value for one or more of these attributes

Using a thing type common set of attributes

Thing Type

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Attribute key

Provide an attribute key, e.g. Manufacturer

Value

Provide an attribute value, e.g. Acme-Corporation

Clear

Tags

Add this thing group

Adding your tags here makes it easier to find your resources later.

Thing Group

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Tag name

Provide a tag name, e.g. Manufacturer

Value

Provide a tag value, e.g. Acme-Corporation

Clear

Add another

Set search filters

Enter a value for each filter condition

This thing type

Cancel

Create thing group

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CREATE A THING

Add your device to the thing registry

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This step creates an entry in the thing registry and a thing shadow for your device.

Name

sensor1

Apply a type to this thing

Using a thing type simplifies device management by providing consistent registry data for things that share a type. Types provide things with a common set of attributes, which describe the identity and capabilities of your device, and a description.

Thing Type

rPi

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Add this thing to a group

Adding your thing to a group allows you to manage devices remotely using jobs.

Thing Group

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Set searchable thing attributes (optional)

Enter a value for one or more of these attributes so that you can search for your things in the registry.

This thing type does not have searchable attributes.



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Add this thing to a group

Adding your thing to a group allows you to manage devices remotely using jobs.

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Set searchable thing attributes (optional)

Enter a value for one or more of these attributes so that you can search for your things in the registry.

This thing type does not have searchable attributes

Set non-searchable thing attributes (optional)

You can use thing attributes to describe the identity and capabilities of your device.

Attribute key

Provide an attribute key, e.g. Manufacturer

Value

Provide an attribute value, e.g. Acme-Corporation

[Clear](#)

[Add another](#)

Show thing shadow ▾

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CREATE A THING

Add a certificate for your thing

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A certificate is used to authenticate your device's connection to AWS IoT.

One-click certificate creation (recommended)

This will generate a certificate, public key, and private key using AWS IoT's certificate authority.

[Create certificate](#)

Create with CSR

Upload your own certificate signing request (CSR) based on a private key you own.

[Create with CSR](#)

Use my certificate

Register your CA certificate and use your own certificates for one or many devices.

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Skip certificate and create thing

You will need to add a certificate to your thing later before your device can connect to AWS IoT.

[Create thing without certificate](#)



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Certificate created!

Successfully created thing.

Successfully generated certificate. Please download certificate files.

Download these files and save them in a safe place. Certificates can be retrieved at any time, but the private and public keys cannot be retrieved after you close this page.

In order to connect a device, you need to download the following:

A certificate for this thing	6b148d4216.cert.pem	Download
A public key	6b148d4216.public.key	Download
A private key	6b148d4216.private.key	Download

You also need to download a root CA for AWS IoT:

A root CA for AWS IoT [Download](#)

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Your devices can use X.509 certificates to authenticate with AWS IoT Core.

Server Authentication

The AWS IoT root CA certificate allows your devices to verify that they're communicating with AWS IoT Core and not another server impersonating AWS IoT Core. For more information, see [CA Certificates for Service Authentication](#).

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CA Certificates for Server Authentication

Depending on which type of data endpoint you are using and which cipher suite you have negotiated, AWS IoT server authentication certificates are signed by one of the following root CA certificates:

VeriSign Endpoints (legacy)

- RSA 2048 bit key: [VeriSign Class 3 Public Primary G5 root CA certificate](#)

Amazon Trust Services Endpoints (preferred)

- RSA 2048 bit key: [Amazon Root CA 1](#).
- RSA 4096 bit key: [Amazon Root CA 2](#). Reserved for future use.
- ECC 256 bit key: [Amazon Root CA 3](#).
- ECC 384 bit key: [Amazon Root CA 4](#). Reserved for future use.

These certificates are all cross-signed by the [Starfield Root CA Certificate](#). All new AWS IoT Core regions, beginning with the May 9, 2018 launch of AWS IoT Core in the Asia Pacific (Mumbai) Region, serve only ATS certificates.

Server Authentication Guidelines

There are many variables that can affect a device's ability to validate the AWS IoT Core server authentication certificate. For example, devices may be too memory constrained to hold all possible root CA certificates, or devices may implement a non-standard method of certificate validation. For these reasons we suggest following these guidelines:

- We recommend that you use your ATS endpoint and install all supported Amazon Root CA certificates.
- If you cannot store all of these certificates on your device and if your devices do not use ECC-based validation, you can omit the [Amazon Root CA 3](#) and [Amazon Root CA 4](#) ECC certificates. If your devices do not implement RSA-based certificate validation, you can omit the [Amazon Root CA 1](#) and [Amazon Root CA 2](#) RSA certificates.
- If you are experiencing server certificate validation issues when connecting to your ATS endpoint, try adding the relevant cross-signed Amazon Root CA certificate to your trust store.
 - [Cross-signed Amazon Root CA 1](#)
 - [Cross-signed Amazon Root CA 2](#) - Reserved for future use.

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Certificate created!

Successfully activated certificate. 



Download these files and save them in a safe place. Certificates can be retrieved at any time, but the private and public keys cannot be retrieved after you close this page.

In order to connect a device, you need to download the following:

A certificate for this thing	6b148d4216.cert.pem	Download
A public key	6b148d4216.public.key	Download
A private key	6b148d4216.private.key	Download

You also need to download a root CA for AWS IoT:

A root CA for AWS IoT [Download](#)

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CREATE A THING

Add a policy for your thing

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Select a policy to attach to this certificate:



Search policies

No match found

There are no policies in your account.

0 policies selected

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You don't have any policies yet

AWS IoT policies give things permission to access AWS IoT resources (like other things, MQTT topics, or thing shadows).

[Learn more](#)[Create a policy](#)



Create a policy



Create a policy to define a set of authorized actions. You can authorize actions on one or more resources (things, topics, topic filters). To learn more about IoT policies go to the [AWS IoT Policies documentation page](#).

Name

Add statements

Policy statements define the types of actions that can be performed by a resource.

[Advanced mode](#)

Action

Please use commas to separate actions. e.g. iot:Publish, iot:Subscribe

Resource ARN

Specific resources could include client ID ARN, topic ARN, or topic filter ARN.

Effect

Allow Deny

[Remove](#)[Add statement](#)



Create a policy



Create a policy to define a set of authorized actions. You can authorize actions on one or more resources (things, topics, topic filters). To learn more about IoT policies go to the [AWS IoT Policies documentation page](#).

Name

Add statements

Policy statements define the types of actions that can be performed by a resource.

Basic mode

```
28      "iot:Connect"
29      ],
30      "Resource": [
31          "arn:aws:iot:censored":client/sensor*",
32          "arn:aws:iot:censored":client/RPi-test*
33      ]
34  }
35 ]
36 }
```

Add statement

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Successfully created a policy.



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Attach policies to certificate(s)

Policies will be attached to the following certificate(s):

6b148d42163e5eed6d49fe78a330c85c1b362bbb99f08d4e2cc6abaacc9538f7

Choose one or more policies

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1 policy selected

Cancel

Attach



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Details**Thing ARN****Edit**

Security

A thing Amazon Resource Name uniquely identifies this thing.

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arn:aws:iot: [REDACTED] censored :thing/sensor1

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Details

This thing already appears to be connected.

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HTTPS

Update your Thing Shadow using this Rest API Endpoint. [Learn more](#)

censored -ats.iot.us-east-2.amazonaws.com

MQTT

Use topics to enable applications and things to get, update, or delete the state information for a Thing (Thing Shadow)

[Learn more](#)[Update to this thing shadow](#)

\$aws/things/sensor1/shadow/update

[Update to this thing shadow was accepted](#)

\$aws/things/sensor1/shadow/update/accepted

[Update this thing shadow documents](#)

\$aws/things/sensor1/shadow/update/documents



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You don't have any rules yet

Rules give your things the ability to interact with AWS and other web services. Rules are analyzed and actions are performed based on the messages sent by your things.

[Learn more](#)[Create a rule](#)



Create a rule

Create a rule to evaluate messages sent by your things and specify what to do when a message is received (for example, write data to a DynamoDB table or invoke a Lambda function).

Name

Description

Rule query statement

Indicate the source of the messages you want to process with this rule.

Using SQL version

Rule query statement

SELECT <Attribute> FROM <Topic Filter> WHERE <Condition>. For example: SELECT temperature FROM 'iot/topic' WHERE temperature > 50. To learn more, see [AWS IoT SQL Reference](#).

```
1  $SELECT * FROM 'iot/topic'
```

Select an action

Select an action.

-  Insert a message into a DynamoDB table
DYNAMODB
-  Split message into multiple columns of a DynamoDB table (DynamoDBv2)
DYNAMODBV2
-  Send a message to a Lambda function
LAMBDA
-  Send a message as an SNS push notification
SNS
-  Send a message to an SQS queue
SQS
-  Send a message to an Amazon Kinesis Stream
AMAZON KINESIS
-  Republish a message to an AWS IoT topic
AWS IOT REPUBLISH
-  Store a message in an Amazon S3 bucket
S3





Amazon DynamoDB

Amazon DynamoDB is a fast and flexible NoSQL database service for all applications that need consistent, single-digit millisecond latency at any scale. Its flexible data model and reliable performance make it a great fit for mobile, web, gaming, ad-tech, IoT, and many other applications.

[Create table](#)[Getting started guide](#)

Create tables

Create DynamoDB tables with a few clicks. Just specify the desired read and write throughput for your table, and DynamoDB handles the rest.

[More about DynamoDB throughput](#)

Add and query items

Once you have created a DynamoDB table, use the AWS SDKs to write, read, modify, and query items in DynamoDB.

[DynamoDB API reference](#)

Monitor and manage tables

Using the AWS Management Console, you can monitor performance and adjust the throughput of your tables, enabling you to scale seamlessly.

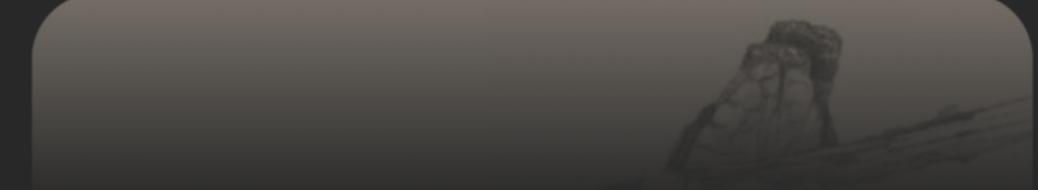
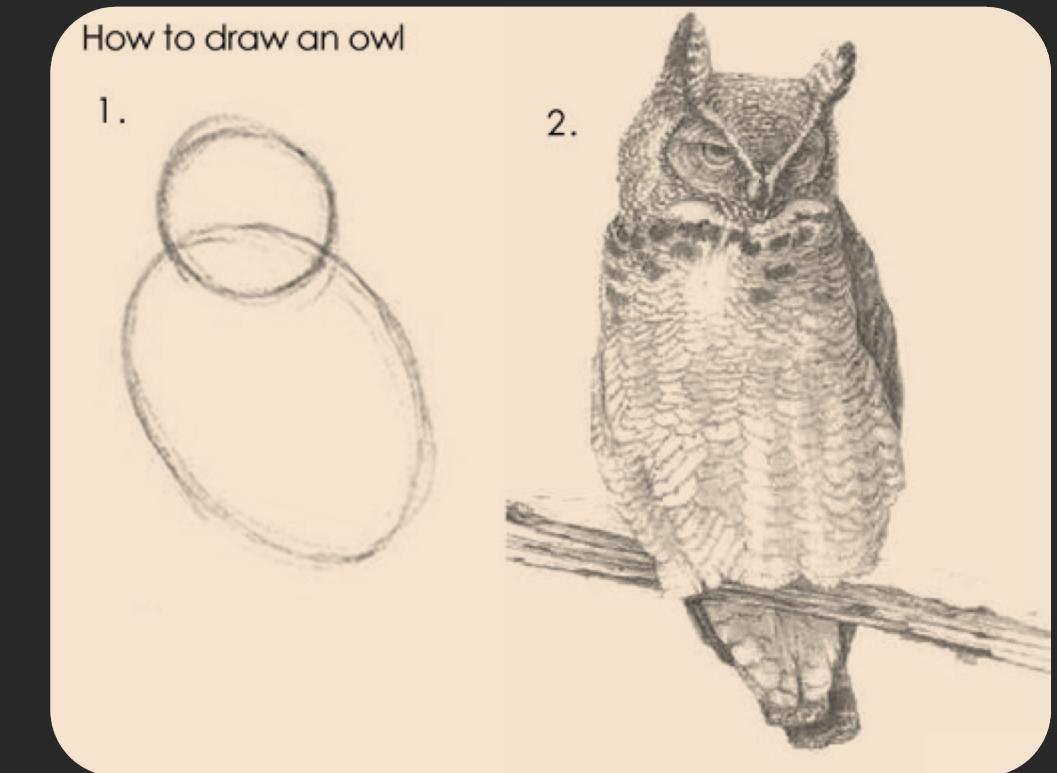
[Monitoring tables](#)

Once IoT is configured with a sensor and a rule, it will receive messages from a commissioned Raspberry Pi. DynamoDB, Kinesis, S3 or other end-points is dependent upon implementation.

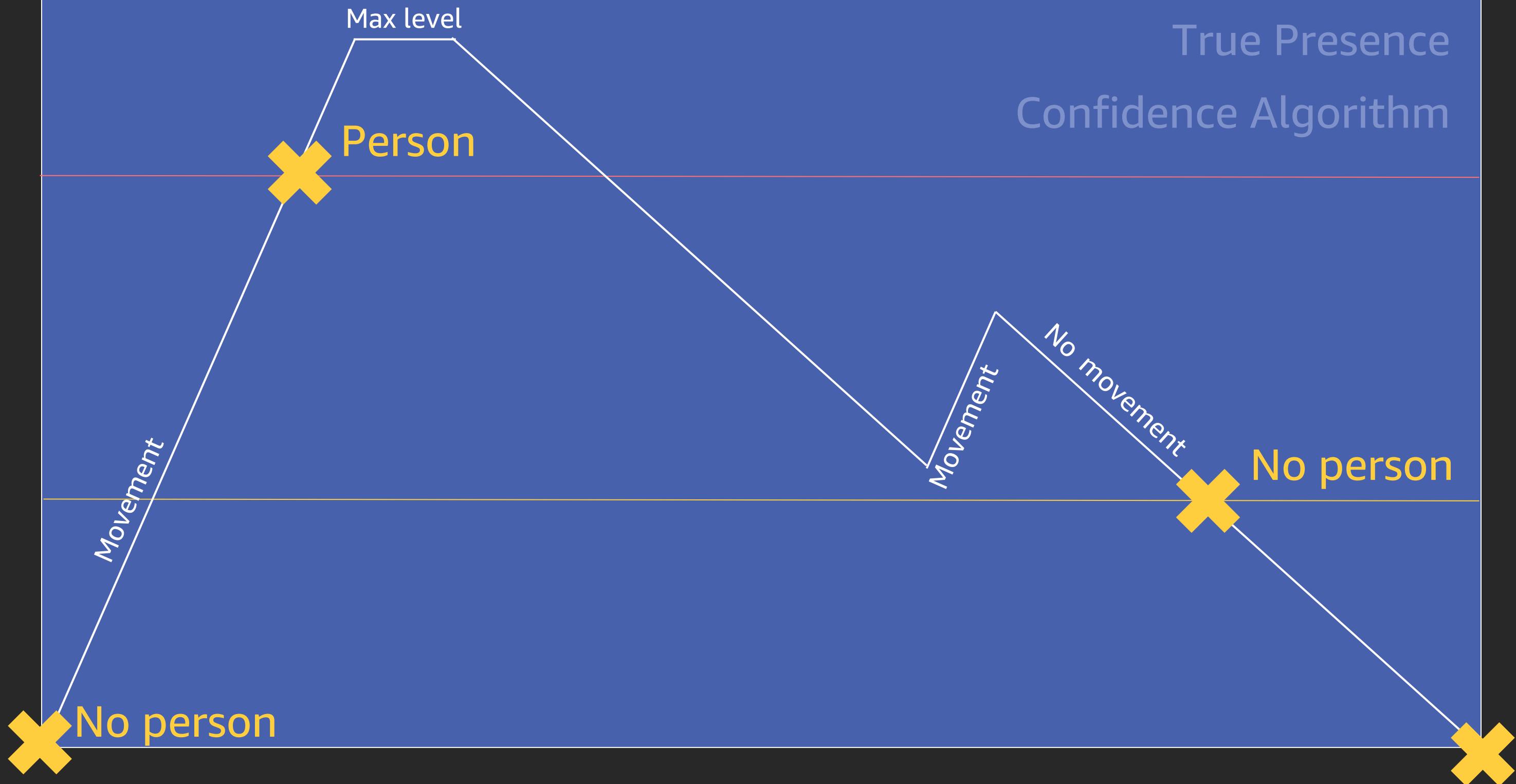
The Raspberry Pi Python code example uses a 'confidence of person present' algorithm and passes that data to the IoT core back-end.

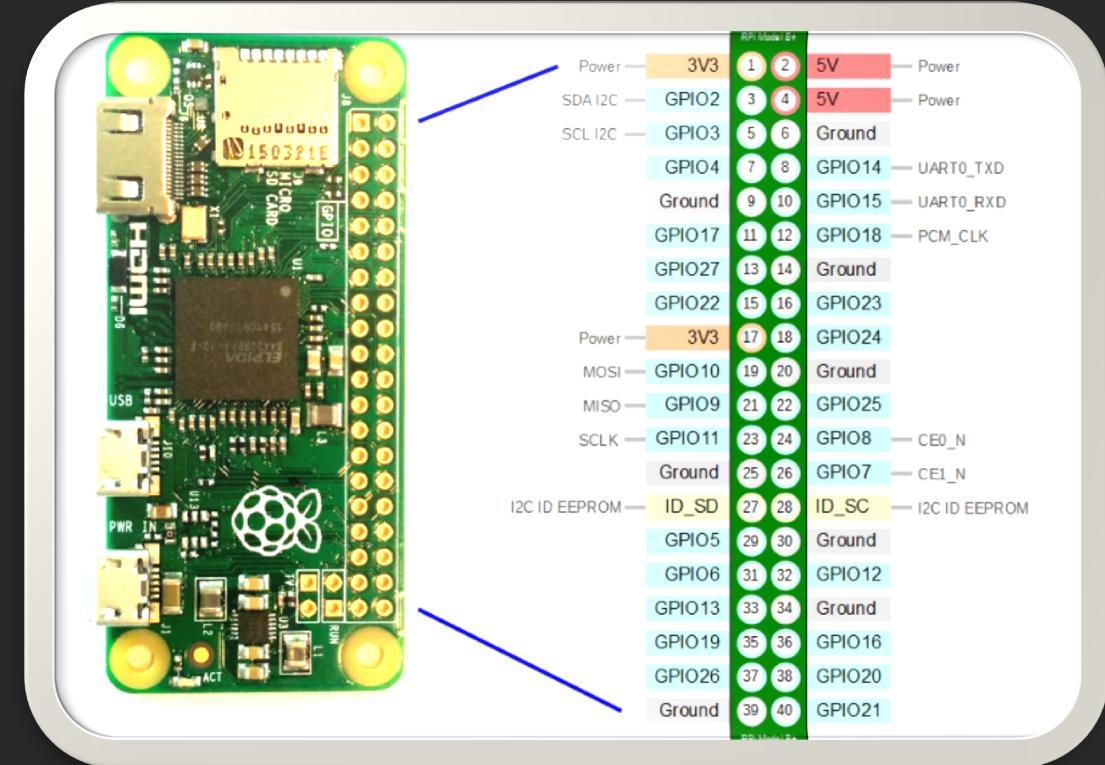
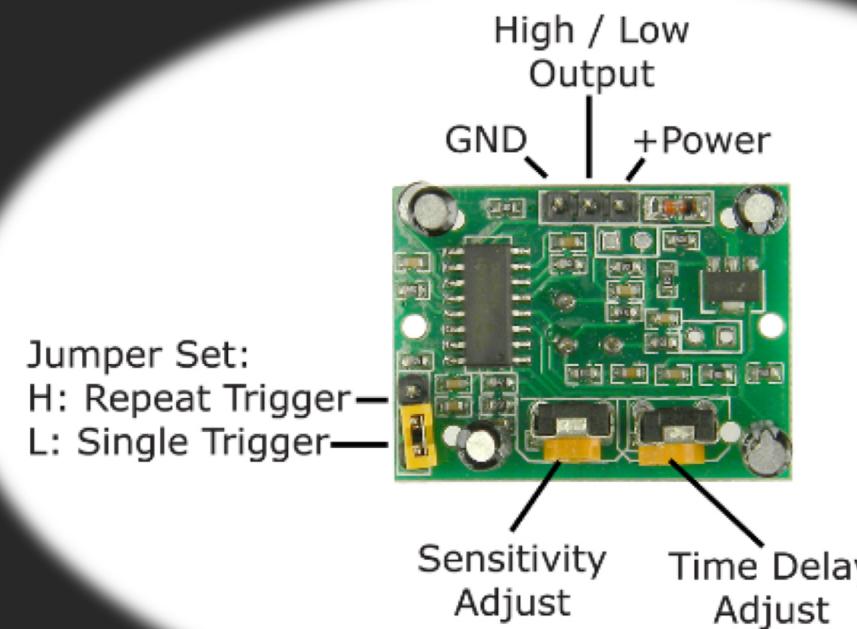
The algorithm depiction is next.

A hardware-helper finishes this pack.



True Presence Confidence Algorithm





The LED's are optional, the motion-sensor is key.

We used a mix of sensors, above is the larger (adjustable) version.

Wiring of the sensor and LED's is self-explanatory from the code.

Thank you for voting for us!