

6LoWPAN Overview

Sure! Here's your **Introduction to IoT (Parts I, II, III)** content formatted in clear, structured **notes-style** just like the previous batch:

Introduction to IoT – Part I

Definition of IoT

- Involves connecting devices, machines, tools wirelessly to the internet.
- A network of physical objects embedded with technology to communicate and interact with internal states or external environments.

Scale of IoT

- Currently: 9+ billion connected devices.
- Projected: Over 20 billion in near future.

Key IoT Enablers

- Low-power embedded systems
- Cloud computing
- Big data
- Machine learning
- Networking
- RFID, nanotech, sensors, smart networks

Origin of the Term

- Popularized by **ITU Internet Report 2005**. [machine to machine](#)
- Discussed extending M2M connectivity to everyday household devices.

Characteristics of IoT

- Efficient, scalable, and associated architecture
- Unique naming and addressing

- Abundant sleeping nodes
- Support for mobile and non-IP devices
- Intermittent connectivity

Intermittent connectivity refers to an Internet connection that continuously disconnects and reconnects, slows down, or becomes unstable at random intervals

IoT Market Applications

- **Business/Manufacturing:** Real-time analytics, robotics
- **Healthcare:** Portable monitors, e-records
- **Retail:** Inventory tracking, mobile purchasing
- **Security:** Biometric locks, remote sensors

Evolution of Connected Devices

- ATM (1974), WWW (1991)
- Smart meters, locks, vehicles, healthcare
- Smart Cities, Smart Dust

Modern IoT Applications

- Smart Parking
- Smart Grid
- Waste Management
- Forest Fire Detection
- Air Pollution Monitoring

Relationship with M2M, CPS, and WoT

- **M2M:** Communication between machines/devices, part of IoT.
- **CPS:** Cyber-Physical Systems—tight integration of computation with physical processes.
- **WoT:** Web-of-Things—uses web standards (e.g., REST APIs) to integrate IoT with the Web.

Introduction to IoT – Part II

Address Crunch in IoT

- Massive device growth (20–50 billion by 2018) leads to IP address shortage.
- Integration of legacy and new systems complicates address management.

IoT Network Topologies

- **IoT LAN:** Local comms, may not need internet access.
- **IoT WAN:** Connects LANs over geographic/organizational areas via the Internet.
- **IoT Node:** Connects with other nodes inside LAN.
- **IoT Gateway:** Router for LAN-to-WAN/Internet, forwards at IP layer.
- **IoT Proxy:** Active application-layer bridge between IoT nodes and external networks.

Addressing in IoT

- Use **local addresses** within gateway domains to conserve addresses.
- Gateways are assigned **unique network prefixes** by routers.

Impact of Mobility

- Changing WAN addresses doesn't affect LAN-level addresses when using **ULA (Unique Local Addressing)**.

Gateways vs. Proxies

- **Gateways:** Bridge between local devices and Internet.
- **Proxies:** Handle communication and processing for locally addressed nodes.

IPv4 vs IPv6

Feature	IPv4	IPv6
Address Length	32 bits	128 bits
Notation	Dotted Decimal	Hexadecimal
Allocation	DHCP	SLAAC / DHCPv6
Security	Optional IPSec	Mandatory IPSec
Header	Variable, Complex	Fixed, Simpler

IoT Deployment Challenges

- No global IPv6 transition plan.
- Interim solutions: NAT64, 6to4 Tunneling, Application-layer proxies.

Multi-homing

- Node/network connected to multiple networks to increase availability and reliability.
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Introduction to IoT – Part III: Sensing & Actuation

Sensor

- Detects environmental/state changes and converts them into signals (input device).
- Part of a **transducer** when paired with an actuator.

Transducer

- Converts energy from one form to another.
- Includes both sensors and actuators.

Sensor Characteristics

- Sensitive to the desired property only
- Minimal influence on the measured property
- Resistant to interference

Sensor Resolution

- Smallest detectable change in measurement.
- High resolution → better precision (not necessarily accuracy).

Sensor Classifications

- **By Output:**
 - Analog (continuous)
 - Digital (discrete)
- **By Data Type:**
 - Scalar (e.g., temperature)

- Vector/Multimedia (e.g., acceleration)

Examples of Sensor Types

Property	Sensor Type
Light	LDR, Photodiode
Temperature	Thermocouple, Thermistor
Force	Strain gauge
Position	Potentiometer, Encoders
Speed	Doppler-based sensors
Sound	Carbon Microphone
Chemical	Liquid/Gas Chemical Sensors

Sensorial Deviations (Errors)

- **FSR:** Full Scale Range
- **Sensitivity Error, Offset/Bias Error, Non-linearity**
- **Drift, Noise, Hysteresis, Quantization Error**
- **Dynamic Error / Aliasing, Cross-Sensitivity**

Actuator

- Converts energy into mechanical motion (output device).
- Receives control signals and performs physical actions.

Types of Actuators

- **Hydraulic:** Fluid-based (high force)
- **Pneumatic:** Air-based
- **Electric:** Motors, solenoids
- **Thermal/Magnetic:** Shape memory alloys
- **Mechanical:** Rotary to linear converters

Soft & Smart Actuators

- Designed for delicate operations.
- **SMPs (Shape Memory Polymers), LAPs (Light Activated Polymers)** respond to stimuli like heat or light.

Basic IoT System Components

- **Device (Thing):** Sensor/Actuator
- **Local Network:** Connectivity layer
- **Internet:** Communication backbone
- **Backend Services:** Data storage and processing
- **Applications:** User-facing interfaces

Functional Components

- Interaction and communication modules
- Data processing and analytics
- Web and application service integration
- User interfaces and dashboards

IoT Categories

- **Industrial IoT (IIoT):** Large-scale, IP-network integrated.
- **Consumer IoT:** Home/retail use, often local networks (e.g., Bluetooth, Wi-Fi).

Associated Technologies

- Big Data, Cloud, Smart Grid, M2M, CPS, WoT

Challenges

- Interfacing
- Interoperability
- Data Storage
- Security
- Scalability
- Energy Efficiency

Assignment 2

6LoWPAN (IPv6 over Low-Power Wireless Personal Area Networks)

- **Definition:** Enables small, low-power devices to communicate wirelessly using IPv6.
- **Purpose:** Facilitates IoT device integration with the Internet.
- **Standardization:** Defined by IETF (RFC 4919, RFC 5933).
- **IEEE 802.15.4 Support:** Supports 128-bit IPv6 addresses over IEEE 802.15.4 radios.
- **Header Compression:** Uses compression and translation to handle IPv6 headers efficiently.
- **Packet Handling:** IPv6 packets are compressed and adapted to IEEE 802.15.4 frame format.
- **Applications:** IoT, Smart Grid, M2M.
- **Addressing:**
 - 64-bit Extended (Globally Unique)
 - 16-bit Short (PAN-specific)
- **Multicast:** Handled as link-layer broadcast (802.15.4 doesn't support native multicast).
- **Packet Format Headers:**
 - *Dispatch Header:* Communication start and next header identification.
 - *Mesh Header:* For intra-PAN multi-hop routing.
 - *Fragmentation Header:* Supports large IPv6 packets.
- **Routing:**
 - *Mesh Routing:* Within PAN.
 - *Inter-domain Routing:* Between PAN and IPv6.
- **Protocols:**
 - *LOADng:* AODV-based; destination-only reply to RREQ.
 - *RPL:* Distance Vector for lossy networks, supports proactive/reactive behaviors.

RFID (Radio-Frequency Identification)

- **Definition:** Uses radio waves to read data stored on tags.
- **Components:**
 - RFID Tag (IC + Antenna)
 - RFID Reader
 - Antenna
- **Types of Tags:**
 - *Passive:* Powered by reader signal.
 - *Active:* Has its own power source.
- **Working Principle:** AIDC technology using radio waves.
- **Advantages:** No line-of-sight needed (unlike barcodes).
- **Applications:** Inventory, asset tracking, access control, supply chain, anti-counterfeit, etc.

MQTT (Message Queue Telemetry Transport)

- **Definition:** Lightweight, publish-subscribe messaging protocol over TCP/IP (ISO/IEC PRF 20922).
- **History:** Developed by IBM (1999), standardized by OASIS (2013).
- **Design Goal:** Efficient connectivity for low-resource devices and networks.
- **Architecture:** Event-driven (pub/sub), with a central *broker*.
- **Key Components:**
 - *Publishers* (e.g., sensors)
 - *Subscribers* (applications)
 - *Broker:* Routes messages by topic
- **Methods:** Connect, Disconnect, Subscribe, Unsubscribe, Publish.
- **Topics:** Hierarchical (e.g., `home/livingroom/temp`)

- **+** : single level wildcard
 - **#** : multi-level wildcard
 - **Applications:** Facebook Messenger, AWS IoT, Azure IoT, Adafruit IO.
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SMQTT (Secure MQTT)

- **Definition:** MQTT with lightweight attribute-based encryption.
 - **Key Advantage:** Broadcast encryption—one message for multiple recipients.
 - **Phases:**
 - *Setup:* Key registration
 - *Encryption/Decryption:* With a master key
 - *Publish:* Broker handles encryption
 - **Goal:** Enhance MQTT security.
 - **Note:** Encryption standards are not yet fixed.
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CoAP (Constrained Application Protocol)

- **Purpose:** Lightweight web protocol for constrained devices and networks.
- **Communication Model:** Request-response over **UDP**.
- **RESTful Design:** Supports HTTP-like methods (GET, PUT, POST, DELETE).
- **Structure:**
 - *Messaging Layer:* Handles reliability
 - *Request/Response Layer:* Handles communication
- **Messaging Types:**
 - *Confirmable (CON):* Reliable
 - *Non-confirmable (NON):* Unreliable
 - *Piggyback:* Response in ACK
 - *Separate:* Response sent later

- **Features:** Minimal overhead, discovery, simple caching, subscription mechanism.
 - **Applications:** Smart energy, building automation, IoT.
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XMPP (Extensible Messaging and Presence Protocol)

- **Type:** XML-based messaging protocol for real-time structured data exchange.
 - **Standard:** Open and extensible.
 - **Architecture:** Client-server; can be decentralized.
 - **Key Features:**
 - Service discovery
 - Real-time messaging
 - Peer-to-peer capabilities
 - **Technologies:**
 - *Jingle*: Multimedia signaling
 - *PubSub*: Event updates
 - *BOSH*: HTTP binding
 - **Weaknesses:** No QoS, base64 encoding needed for binary, text-based overhead.
 - **Use Cases:** VoIP, file sharing, gaming, smart grid, social networking.
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AMQP (Advanced Message Queuing Protocol)

- **Definition:** Binary protocol for business message exchange (ISO/IEC 19464).
- **Purpose:** Secure, reliable, and interoperable messaging.
- **Core Components:**
 - *Exchange*: Routes messages
 - *Queue*: Message storage
 - *Bindings*: Routing rules
- **Exchange Types:** Direct, Fan-out, Topic, Header.

- **Message Delivery Guarantees:**
 - At-most-once
 - At-least-once
 - Exactly-once
 - **Frame Types:** 9 control frames including Open, Attach, Transfer, Close, etc.
 - **Applications:** Task delegation, offline communication, monitoring, distributed systems.
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IEEE 802.15.4

- **Definition:** Standard for low-rate WPANs.
 - **Layers:** PHY + MAC + (LLC & SSCS for upper layer interaction).
 - **Frequency:** ISM band.
 - **Modulation:**
 - *BPSK*: Low data rate
 - *O-QPSK*: High data rate
 - **Channel Access:** CSMA/CA.
 - **Power Efficiency:** Very low power, suitable for battery operation.
 - **Range:** 10m–75m (up to 1000m LOS).
 - **Topologies:** Star, Mesh.
 - **Network Types:**
 - *Beacon-enabled*: Uses superframe and beacon sync
 - *Non-beacon-enabled*: Slotted CSMA/CA
 - **Device Types:**
 - *FFD*: Full Function Device
 - *RFD*: Reduced Function Device
 - **Frame Types:** Beacon, Data, MAC command, Acknowledgment.
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Zigbee

- **Built On:** IEEE 802.15.4 (adds network and application layers).
 - **Focus:** Mesh networking for WPANs.
 - **Security:** Provides authentication and encryption.
 - **Topologies:** Star, Tree, Mesh.
 - **Device Roles:**
 - *ZigBee Coordinator (ZC):* Forms and manages network
 - *ZigBee Router (ZR):* Forwards data, runs applications
 - *ZigBee End Device (ZED):* Minimal function, low power
 - **Routing Protocol:** AODV-based for dynamic path discovery.
 - **Applications:** Home automation, energy monitoring, lighting control, healthcare, telecom.
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