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Internet of things/WSNs; Emedded systems with limited power - low energy protocols - BLE [1]

1.2 Problem Area

Member discovery/member consensus in semi static Ad-hoc netoworks - role call

1.3 Motivation for this research

The rise of the Internet of things and Bluetooth Low Energy playing a large part in it.

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