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Community Teleconference October 18, 2018

Agenda

- Report out from the SSN workshop
- Upcoming plugfests and interop events
- Node-RED nodes for Semantic Interoperability
- Developer tools discussion
- Planning
- AOB

SSN Workshop at ICSW2018

- Presented iot.schema.org at the SSN Workshop last week
- Presentation is in the teleconferences folder
- Discussion:
 - Action, Event, Property terms are badly overloaded
 - When will the definitions be available on schema.org?
 - How do we create and use definitions?
 - What tools are available for definitions and annotation
 - How do we use definitions with existing device ecosystems?

SSN Workshop (contd)

- Presentations on Automotive, Building Management, Home Care use cases
- Clear focus on Feature of Interest concepts
- Gap analysis for Semantic IoT
 - Taxonomy of Observable Properties
 - Fol Vocabularies
 - Sensor/Actuator Vocabulary
 - Vocabulary for processes and procedures

Plugfests and Interop events

- Web of Things Virtual Plugfest was September 25-28
 - Limited semantic interoperability testing due to directory issues
- Web of Things Plugfest at TPAC, Lyon, October 20-21
 - Test cases and scenarios are defined
- WISHI Hackathon at IETF103, Bangkok, November 3-4
 - The intersection of Hypermedia and Semantic Interoperability
 - Point of focus to resolve the hypermedia control question

Presentation on Node-RED and Semantic Interoperability

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Developer tools

- How to create and maintain definitions
- How to use definitions in deployed systems
- How to apply definitions to existing device ecosystems and FoI definitions
 - OMA LWM2M
 - OCF
 - W3C WOT Thing Description
 - Genivi VSS
 - Haystack/Brick
 - What about Amazon Alexa, SmartThings, etc.
 - Other APIs using OAS/Swagger, HAL, JSON Hyperschema

Applying iot.schema.org definitions to existing ecosystems

- Existing definitions in some machine-readable format
 - XML, JSON-Schema, JSON, others e.g. YAML
- Annotate the definitions with Semantic terms to describe affordances
 - JSON-LD schema can be annotated as in WOT TD
 - Other annotation techniques (WISHI Research)
 - Use existing definition or create new definitions
- Generate hypermedia controls from the annotated definitions
 - TD Generator
 - Other annotations of instances

Annotation of a JSON Schema fragment using JSON-LD

```
{
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
     "name": "bri",
     "@type": ["iot:LevelData" ],
     "type": "integer",
     "min": 0,
     "max": 254
}
```

- Annotated schema is used to generate hypermedia controls for instances
- E.g. a link with a target attribute containing the annotation

(Work in progress)

Use cases and development in the WISHI work

Upcoming Teleconferences

- Dr. Amelie Gyrard Semantic Web of Things
 - Industry-wide survey of existing definitions
- Bruce Nordman Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory
 - Device descriptions for energy monitoring

AOB

• Next teleconference

This is the Problem being solved:

HOW STANDARDS PROLIFERATE: (SEE: A/C CHARGERS, CHARACTER ENCODINGS, INSTANT MESSAGING, ETC.)

SITUATION: THERE ARE 14 COMPETING STANDARDS.



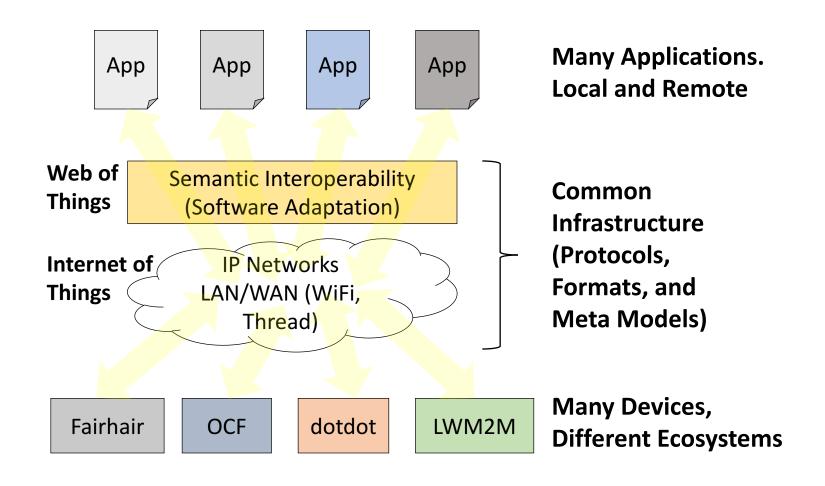
SOON: SITUATION: THERE ARE 15 COMPETING STANDARDS.

Source: https://xkcd.com/927/

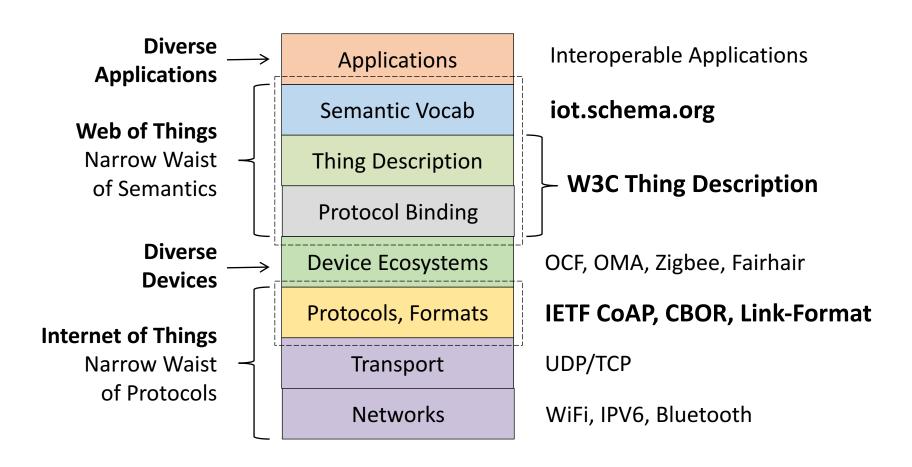
Problem being solved – Semantic Interoperability for IoT

- Acknowledge the diversity of IoT device ecosystems
 - Not another device standard
 - Adaptive to diverse protocol, language, and data models
 - Distill the common and stable operational features
 - Second "narrow waist" for systems above IP networks
- Address the ease of use of Semantic Web for IoT and use of IoT for Semantic Web
 - Not another IoT ontology
 - A conceptual layer that models connected things in relation to existing ontologies

Narrow Waist in System Design

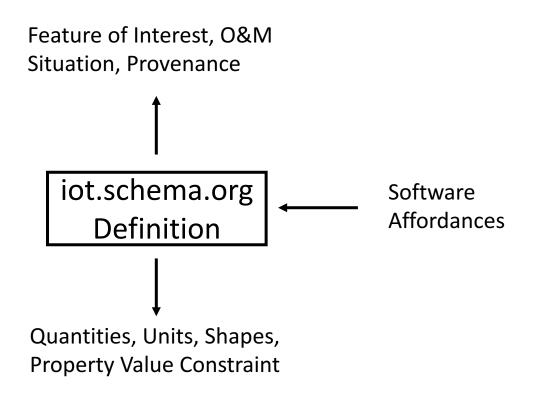


Diverse Devices and Applications, Common Protocols and Semantics



Integration with other Ontologies

Enables Well-Characterized interactions with Physical Entities



Connect things to the real world

