

MQTT, CoAP and Java

Find Your Way Through the
Internet of Things Protocols Jungle

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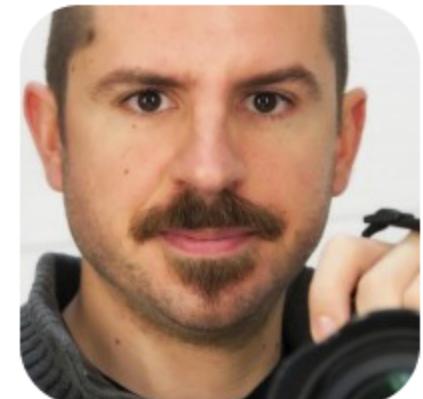
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M2M/IoT?



Technology that supports
wired or wireless
communication
between devices

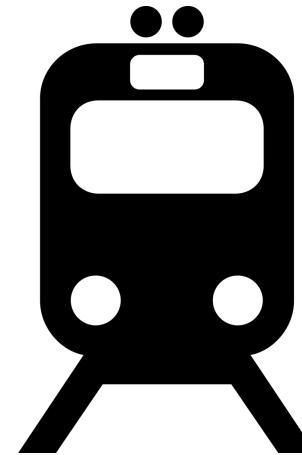
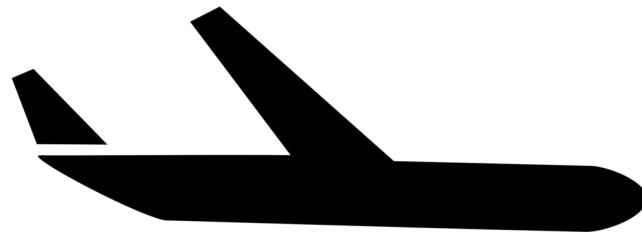
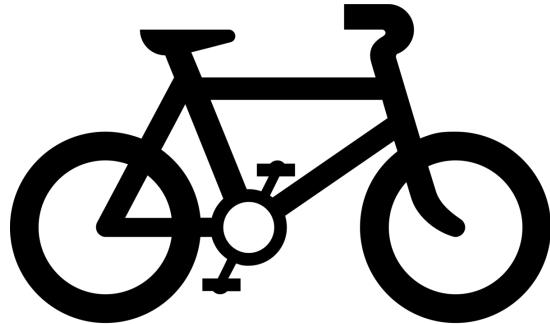
Different needs

Local communications

Publishing telemetry values

Device management

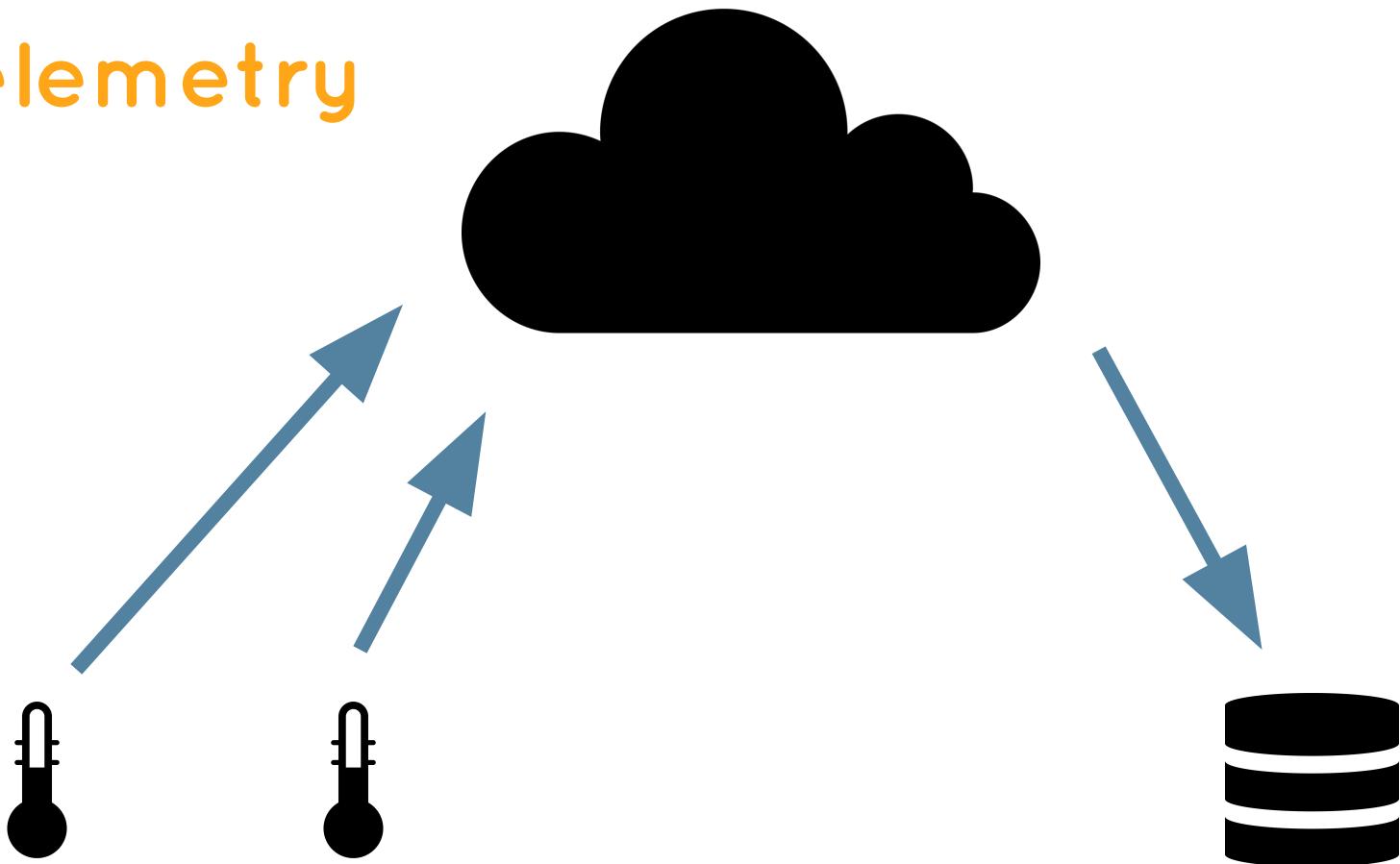
Different protocols





Ready to dive into the jungle?

Telemetry



MQTT

MQ Telemetry Transport

MQTT

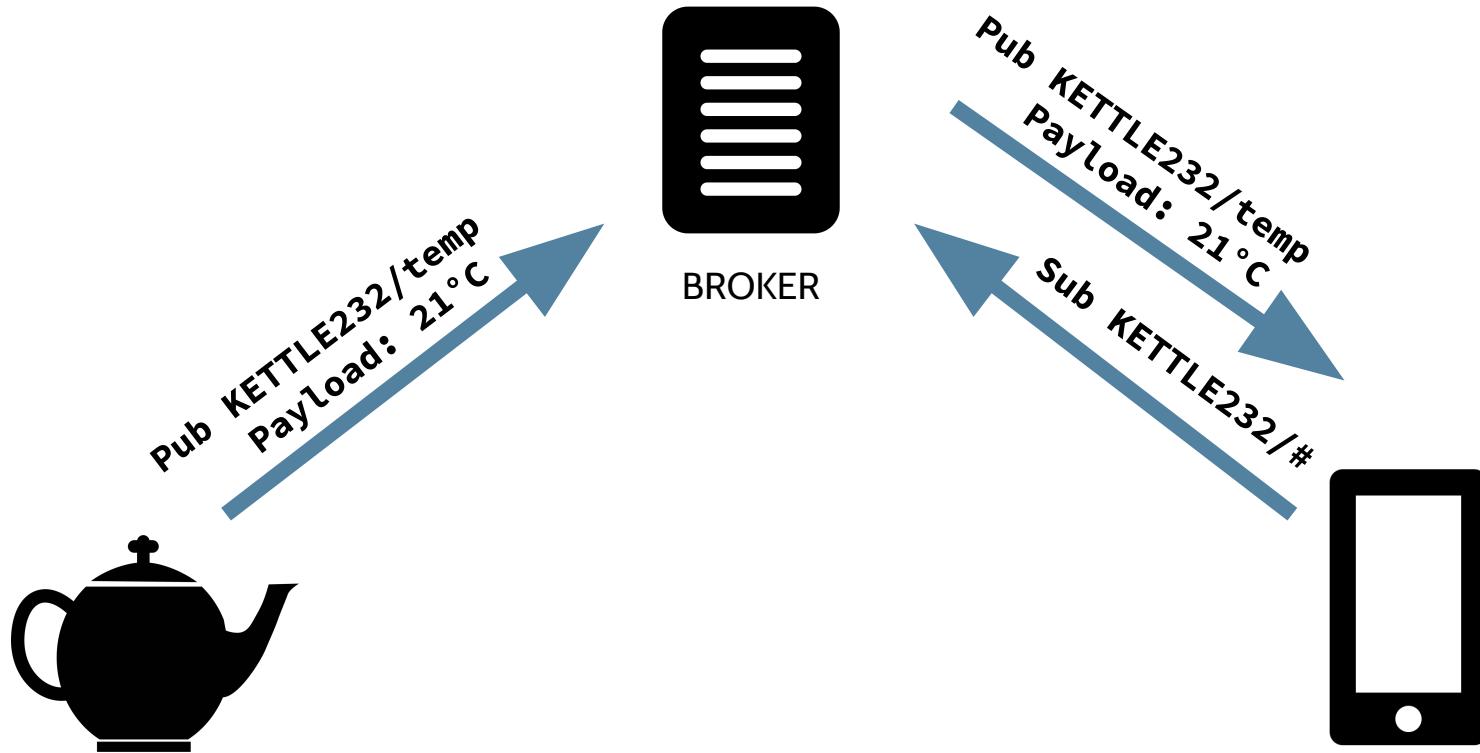
Very simple and light protocol on TCP

Invented in 1999 for telemetry values

Royalty free since 2010

Now an OASIS standard

MQTT Publish & Subscribe



MQTT features

Topics wildcards

Quality-of-Service: level 0, 1, 2

Last Will & Testament

Retained messages

MQTT Websockets

WebSockets allow to use MQTT from the web
(noBackend)

Ex: real-time web dashboards, HTML5 mobile applications

MQTT-SN

MQTT for Sensor Networks

No dependency on IP (can use e.g Zigbee)

Local sensor network bridged to an MQTT broker
via an MQTT-SN gateway

MQTT Security

TLS on top of TCP

Certificate for the broker

Password or certificate for the client



<http://eclipse.org/paho>



Eclipse Paho



Open-source MQTT clients

Pick your language!

Java

also JavaScript, Go, Objective C, Lua, Python ...

Eclipse Paho



Also embedded C/C++

Arduino, mbed, CC3200, ...

JavaME (e.g Gemalto Concept Board)*

.NET

* if you try it on mbed Freescale FRDM-K64F please tell us!

Show me the code!



```
MqttClient mqttClient = new MqttClient("tcp://iot.eclipse.org",
                                         "myclientId", new MemoryPersistence());
mqttClient.connect();
mqttClient.setCallback(new MqttCallback() {
    @Override
    public void messageArrived(String topic, MqttMessage message)
        throws Exception {
        // ... a message!
    }
}

mqttClient.subscribe("kettle/temp");
```

Moquette

A pure Java broker

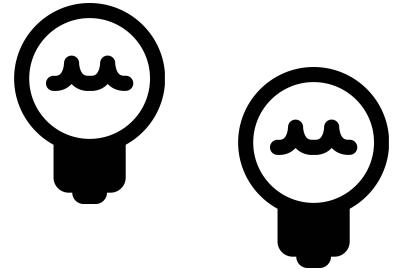
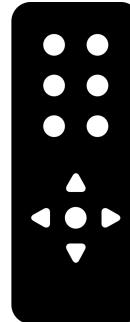
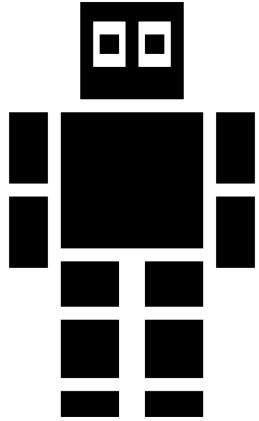
Supports QoS 0, 1, 2

Websockets

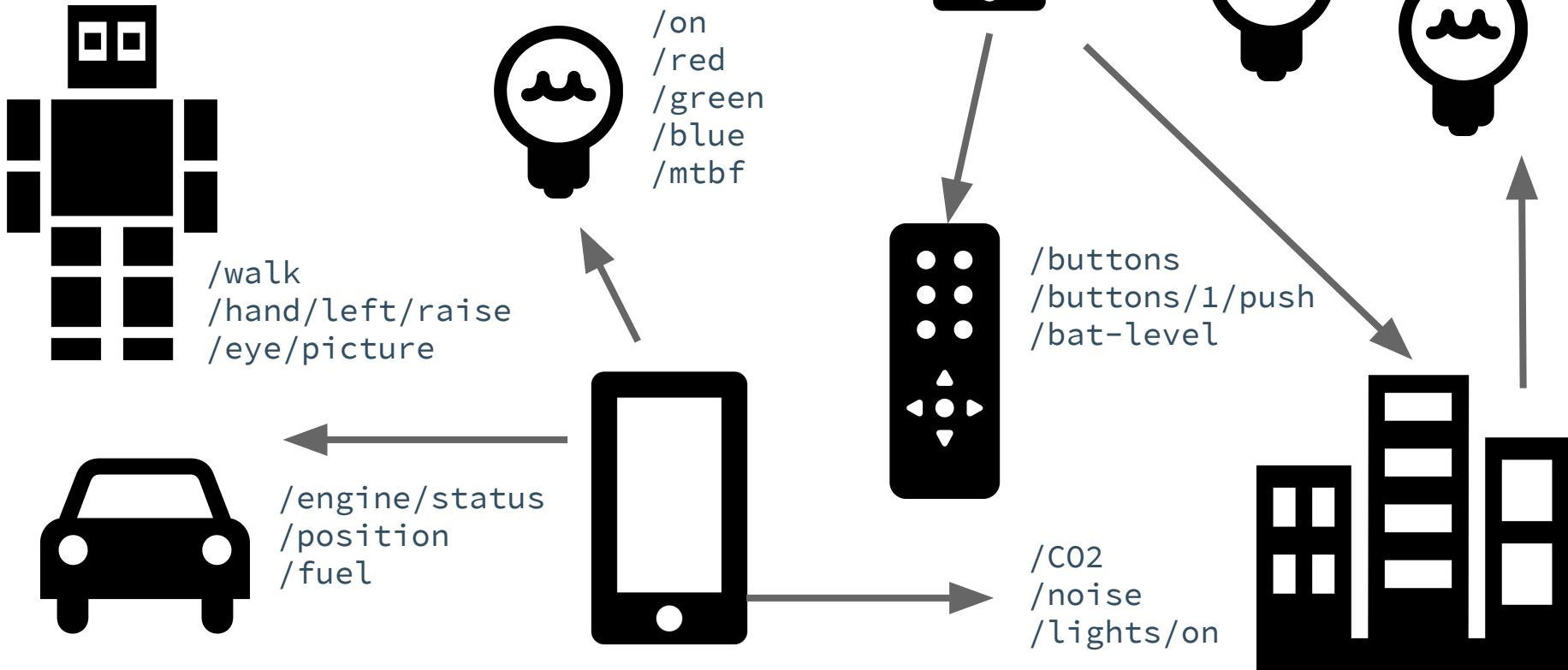
Event-driven: based on Netty and LMAX disruptor

Demo!

The web-of-things



The web-of-things



CoAP

Constrained Application Protocol

Tiny resource-constrained devices

Class 1 devices

~100KiB Flash

~10KiB RAM

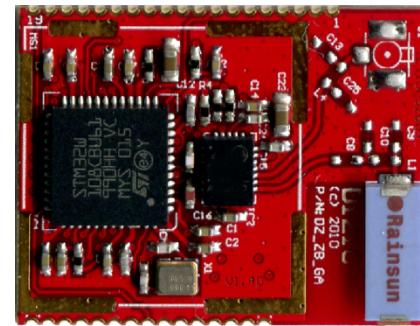


Low-power networks
<100Bytes packets



Tiny resource-constrained devices

Target
of less than \$1
for IoT SoC



TCP and HTTP
are not a good fit



Constrained Application Protocol

RESTful protocol designed from scratch

- URIs, Internet Media Types

- GET, POST, PUT, DELETE

- Transparent mapping to HTTP

- Additional features for M2M scenarios

- Observe

Constrained Application Protocol

Binary protocol

- Low parsing complexity
- Small message size

Options

- Binary HTTP-like headers

4-byte Base Header

Version | Type | T-len | Code | ID

0 - 8 Bytes Token

Exchange handle for client

Options

Location, Max-Age, ETag, ...

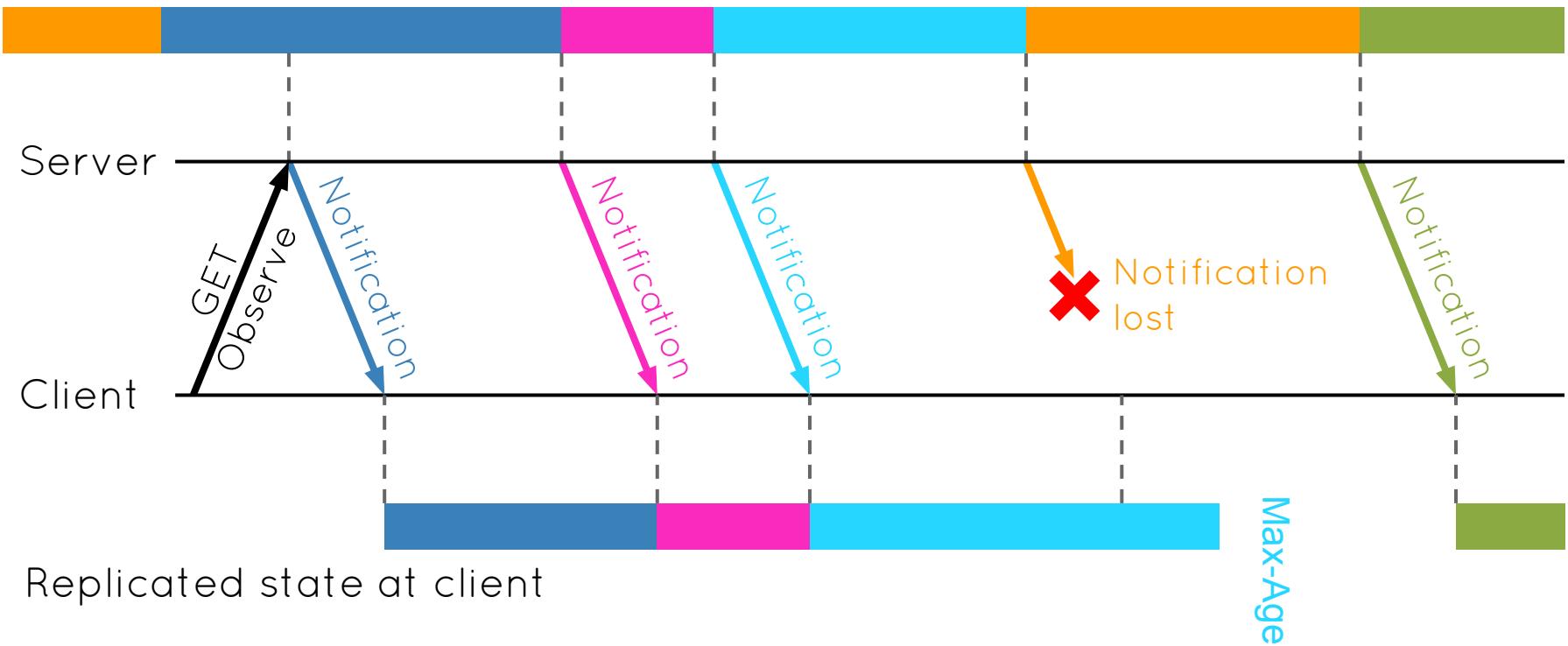
Marker
0xFF

Payload
Representation

Observing resources

Resource state at origin server

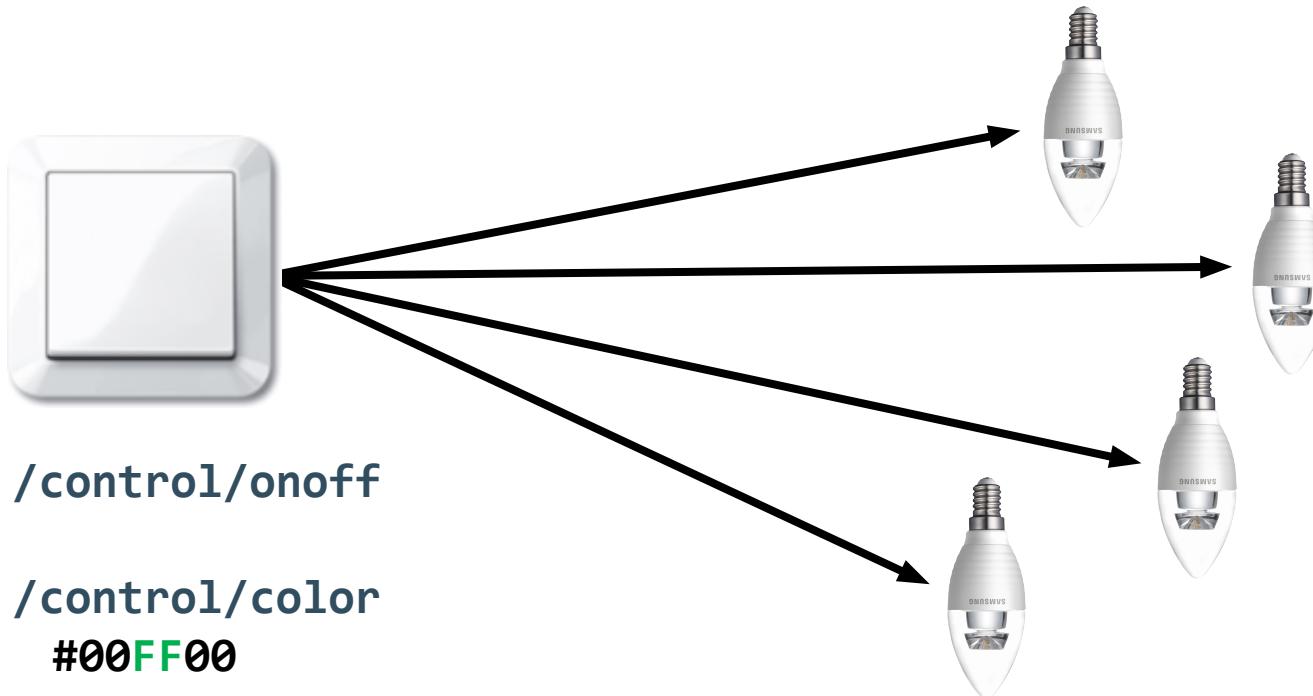
Observe illustration courtesy of Klaus Hartke



RESTful group communication

GET /status/power

all-lights.floor-d.example.com



Resource discovery

Based on **Web Linking** and **Core Link Format** RFC6690

GET /.well-known/core

```
</config/groups>;rt="core.gp";ct=39,  
</sensors/temp>;rt="ucum.Cel";ct="0 50";obs,  
</large>;rt="block";sz=1280,  
</device>;title="Device management"
```

Multicast discovery or Resource Directories

Alternative transports

Short Message Service (**SMS**)

Unstructured Supplementary
Service Data (**USSD**)

Could power up subsystems for
IP connectivity after SMS signal



Security

Based on **DTLS** (TLS/SSL for Datagrams)

Focus on Elliptic Curve Cryptography (**ECC**)

Pre-shared secrets, certificates, or raw public keys

Hardware acceleration in IoT devices



Security

IETF is currently working on
Authentication/authorization (**ACE**)
DTLS profiles (**DICE**)



Status of CoAP



Proposed Standard since 15-Jul-2013 – RFC 7252

Next working group documents in the queue

Observing Resources

Resource Directory

Group Communication

HTTP Mapping Guidelines

Blockwise Transfers



iot
eclipse.org

Californium CoAP Framework

Unconstrained CoAP implementation

Written in Java

Focus on scalability and usability

Targetting

IoT cloud services

Beefier IoT devices (Java SE or SE Embedded)

Create a CoAP server

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
    CoapServer server = new CoapServer();  
    server.add(new MyResource("hello"));  
    server.start(); // does all the magic  
}
```

A synchronous CoAP client

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    CoapClient client1 = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/multi-format");  
    String text = client1.get().getResponseBody(); // blocking call  
    String xml = client1.get(APPLICATION_XML).getResponseBody();  
    CoapClient client2 = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/test");  
    CoapResponse resp = client2.put("payload", TEXT_PLAIN); // for response details  
    System.out.println( resp.isSuccess() );  
    System.out.println( resp.getOptions() );  
  
    client2.useNONS(); // use autocomplete to see more methods  
    client2.delete();  
    client2.useCONs().useEarlyNegotiation(32).get(); // it is a fluent API  
}
```

Asynchronous CoAP client

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    CoapClient client = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/separate");  
    client.get(new CoapHandler() { // e.g., anonymous inner class  
  
        @Override public void onLoad(CoapResponse response) { // also error  
        resp.  
            System.out.println( response.getResponseText() );  
        }  
  
        @Override public void onError() { // I/O errors and timeouts  
        System.err.println("Failed");  
        }  
    });  
}
```

Observe!

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    CoapClient client = new CoapClient("coap://iot.eclipse.org:5683/obs");
    CoapObserveRelation relation = client.observe(new CoapHandler() {
        @Override public void onLoad(CoapResponse response) {
            System.out.println( response.getResponseText() );
        }

        @Override public void onError() {
            System.err.println("Failed");
        }
    });
    relation.proactiveCancel();
}
```

More Californium

Scandium (Sc) DTLS (TLS/SSL for UDP)

Californium (Cf) Proxy HTTP/CoAP proxy

Californium (Cf) RD Resource directory

Demo!

Device management

Monitor, configure, secure, and update your devices

All you need for **operating a fleet** of IoT devices

Independent of your application(s)

Interoperability is the key

You don't know yet what hardware will power your IoT projects on the field

...but you **MUST** be able to do management in a consistent way

OMA-DM

Open Mobile Alliance
Device Management

OMA-DM

Open Mobile Alliance standard for Device Mgmt

Targets mobile phones but can be used for M2M

Meant to be used by mobile network operators

OMA-DM features

Read, write configuration or monitoring nodes.

Trigger remote **commands** (Exec)

FUMO – Firmware Update Management Object

SCOMO – Software Component Mgmt Object

OMA-DM flaws

Phone oriented, and somewhat chatty

OMA-DM Hello world!

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<SyncML xmlns="SYNCML:SYNCML1.2">
  <SyncHdr>
    <VerDTD>1.2</VerDTD>
    <VerProto>DM/1.2</VerProto>
    <SessionID>D101</SessionID>
    <MsgID>1</MsgID>
    <Target>
      <LocURI>http://na.airvantage.net</LocURI>
    </Target>
    <Source><LocURI>IMEI:1234567890</LocURI></Source>
    <Meta>
```

```
<MaxMsgSize>20480</MaxMsgSize>
<MaxObjSize>512000</MaxObjSize>
</Meta>
</SyncHdr>
<SyncBody>
  <Alert>
    <CmdID>1</CmdID>
    <Data>1201</Data>
  </Alert>
  <Replace>
    <CmdID>2</CmdID>
  <Item>
    <Source><LocURI>./DevInfo/DevId</LocURI></Source>
    <Data>IMEI:1234567890</Data>
  </Item>
```

```
<Item><Source><LocURI>./DevInfo/Man</LocURI></Source>
    <Data>Sierra Wireless</Data>
</Item>
<Item><Source><LocURI>./DevInfo/Mod</LocURI></Source>
    <Data>SL6087</Data>
</Item>
<Item>
    <Source><LocURI>./DevInfo/DmV</LocURI></Source>
    <Data>Sierra Wireless OMC v2.0</Data>
</Item>
<Item>
    <Source><LocURI>.
/DevInfo/Lang</LocURI></Source><Data>en</Data>
</Item>
</Replace>
<Final />
</SyncBody>
</SyncML>
```

OMA-DM: Hello world server reply

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8' standalone='no' ?>
<SyncML xmlns="SYNCML:SYNCML1.2">
  <SyncHdr><VerDTD>1.2</VerDTD><VerProto>DM/1.
  2</VerProto><SessionID>D101</SessionID>
  <MsgID>1</MsgID>
  <Target><LocURI>IMEI:1234567890</LocURI></Target>
  <Source><LocURI>http://na.airvantage.net</LocURI>
  <LocName>AIRVANTAGE-SERVER</LocName>
  </Source>
</SyncHdr>
<SyncBody>
```

⚠ XML QUOTA EXCEEDED...

OMA-DM

But works :)



OMA-DM flaws: security

Weak security (MD5-HMAC)

- Use full HTTPS for higher grade security

- Complex to implement correctly, no streaming due to HMAC

- Unnecessary complex protocols is the shortest path to security holes

OMA Lightweight M2M

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A reboot of OMA-DM but for M2M

Built on top of CoAP

REST API for device management

Lightweight M2M: REST API

Security, Device, Server

Connectivity monitoring

Connectivity statistics

Location, Firmware Upgrade

But objects have a numerical identifier

Lightweight M2M: URL

`/{{object}}/{{instance}}/{{resource}}`

Examples:

- `"/6/0"` the whole position object (binary record)
- `"/6/0/2"` only the altitude

Lightweight M2M: custom objects

You can define your own objects

Discoverable using CoAP Link Format

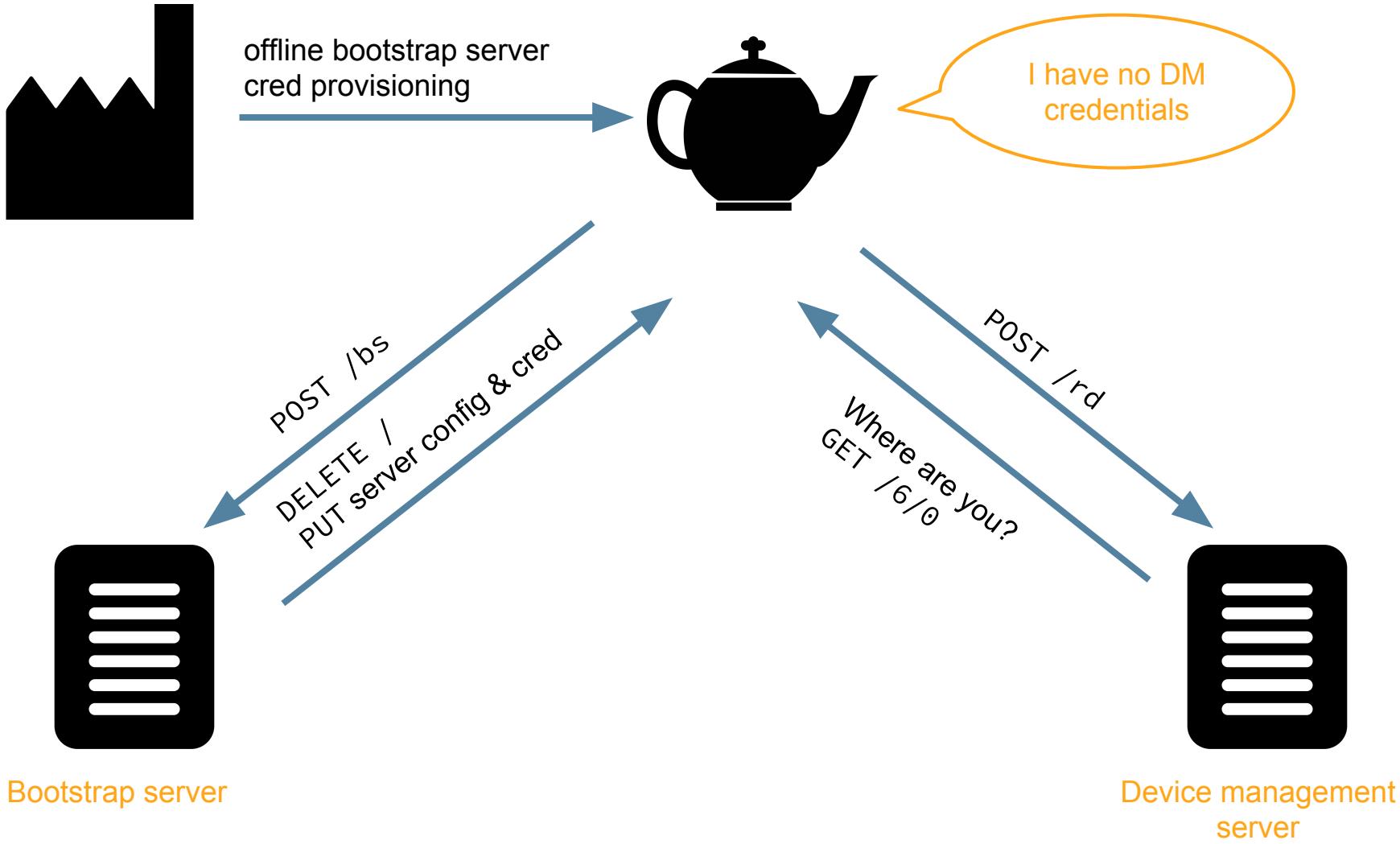
IPSO Alliance Smart Objects

Lightweight M2M: bootstrap

Well defined security keying lifecycle

How to update credential and security scheme

Keying from factory, Smart Card, or over-the-air



Lightweight M2M: bootstrap

Factory only knows the **bootstrap credentials**

Bootstrap server can be really **robust**

Easy path for **re-keying**

Leshan

Java implementation of Lightweight M2M

Built on top of Eclipse Californium

Under proposal phase @ Eclipse IoT

→ <https://projects.eclipse.org/proposals/leshan>

→ <https://github.com/jvermillard/leshan>

Leshan

An OSGi-friendly library for implementing server

A standalone Device Management server with a
web user interface

Leshan (work in progress)

A bootstrap server

A client for your non constrained devices

Demo!

Conclusion

One protocol to rule them all is a fantasy

IoT applications are very diverse

Other emerging protocols: AllJoyn, XMPP, ...

Lots of devices and servers are already talking MQTT

CoAP and LWM2M are well-positioned for WSNs

Open source Java implementations at iot.eclipse.org