A presentation on IoT based on the book- "A Reference to the IoT"

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Introduction

- ▶ IoT is the intersection of the digital with the physical.
- Physical devices are now enhanced with sensing, computing, and communication capabilities.
- Wearables such as Fitbit and connected home devices like Nest are most commonly cited examples of IoT.
- ▶ These are however quite basic early IoT systems.

Applications of IoT

- Current and early IoT applications:
- IoT solutions are becoming popular at the city and county level to make emergency response services
- Smart home fire detector on the market warn people in cases such as fast moving tornadoes or forest fires.
- ▶ The basic wearable devices become far more useful when heart rate, activity data, etc. are connected to first responder systems as EMT's rush to an emergency.

Sections 1 through 5

- ▶ The book is divided into 5 sections.
- Section 1 deals with the physical things part of IoT.
- Section 2 is all about communication among IoT devices and between networks and "things"
- "The cloud" and other SaaS options and their Operations are discussed in section 3 and 4 respectively.
- Section 5 addresses data in IoT, concerns and "Big data"



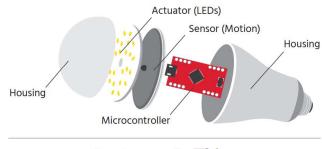
IoT Stack
The System of Systems

Section 1: The Physical Things(1)

- Sensors and Actuators
- ▶ The fundamental source of IoT data is sensors.
- A sensor (basically transducer) is a physical device that converts one form of energy into another. An actuator however takes an electrical input and turns it into physical action.
- ▶ One important characteristic of Sensors is it need to be accurate.
- since you will make mission-critical decisions based on later analysis of the data, which will hold little value if the data is wrong.

Section 1: The Physical Things (2)

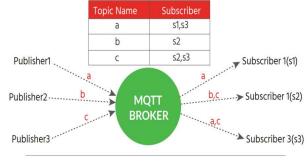
- ▶ Microcontroller: The "Brain" of the IoT Device.
- Specifications of the micro/controller device
 - -Microprocessor type(more memory or speed)
 - -Amount of memory
 - -operating voltage
 - -number and type of I/O ports
 - -control interface
 - -source of power(battery, mains electricity, solar)
- Battery size is a utility tradeoff in IoT devices



Anatomy of a **Thing**

Section 2: Communication channels(1)

- ▶ IoT systems enable Things to communicate with servers as well as other Things.
- Message Queuing Telemetry Transport (MQTT) and Constrained Application Protocol (CoAP) are two alternative internet protocols. TCP/IP is power hungry.
- MQTT was originally used in satellite applications but has evolved to handle today's range of IoT applications.
- CoAP, on the other hand, is somewhat new and has been gaining traction.
- ▶ MQTT-MQTT uses a "publish/subscribe" message transport model.



Publish/Subscribe Model

Section 2: Communication channels(2)

- MQTT Advantages: independent operations, security, varied levels of QoS
- Disadvantages: need for central broker, TCP protocol implications like overhead.
- ► CoAP for "use with constrained nodes and constrained networks." Like MQTT, CoAP is commercially supported and growing rapidly among IoT providers.
- ► CoAP characteristics- UDP use, multicast, security with datagram protocol, web friendly.

Section 2: Communication channels(3)

- Connecting things-to-things, things-to-server, server-to-server
- ▶ IoT Wireless Radio Solutions:
- Your application will dictate the connectivity method needed for your device. Connectivity range options include:
 - short range solutions (e.g. RFID or Bluetooth),
 - medium range solutions (e.g. ZigBee, Thread, or Wi-Fi), and
 - ▶ long range Wide Area Networks (WAN) solutions (e.g. cellular or satellite).

Section 2: Communication channels (4)

1) Long Range IoT Radio Solutions:

Disadvantageous for:

- ▶ Using cellular networks can be expensive. These networks are designed for voice and high data throughput/low latency communications, which are not typical requirements of IoT applications.
- ▶ The cellular device certification processes are time consuming and expensive.
- ▶ Cellular solutions are not designed for very low power operation.
- ▶ older 2G and 3G infrastructure will likely begin to phase out.
- ▶ Instead of focusing on existing cellular technologies, we will introduce alternative long-range solutions.
 - Low Power Wide Area (LPWA) Networks
 - ▶ LoRa (LOng RAnge)
 - Sigfox
 - Satellite

Section 2: Communication channels (5)

▶ 2) Medium range IoT solutions:

▶ We define medium range as a radio solution with signal range no greater than 100 meters. Example: Zigbee, Wi-Fi, zwave.

▶ 3) Short Range IoT Radio Solutions:

- ▶ We define short range as solutions with signal range ≤30m. The most common technologies in use include Bluetooth (or its evolution Bluetooth LE) and RFID.
- ▶ BLE Low energy Bluetooth is the hot topic for IoT services. One adv of Bluetooth is its user popularity, already integrated to mobile devices and low range.

Section 3: Software(1)

- ▶ The ability to connect computer-like devices to the internet allows us to utilize remote computing resources. These are not constrained by size, location, power consumption, or network connectivity.
- ▶ These computing resources referred to as "The Cloud."
- ► Components of a cloud: An IoT deployment, an IoT software system is generally running on Cloud infrastructure, consisting of:
- Data Ingestion
- Data Processing
- Data Storage
- Application



IoT Software System

Section 3: Software (2)

- Tasks of System software
- ▶ 1. **Data Ingestion**: The most common task for data ingestion is to listen for and capture the message stream from devices. Technologies include: Apache NiFi, Publish/subscribe model(MQTT), request report model (CoAP)
- ▶ 2. **Data Processing**: Its primary function is to apply logic to incoming device data and invoke the corresponding action. Technologies include Lambda and Kappa
- ▶ 3. Data Storage: NoSQL databases are an obvious choice for storing high volumes of data without having a fixed schema.
- ▶ 4. **Application**: An IoT Software Application provides three critical functions:
 - ▶ 1. Enables human interaction with the IoT system through a User Interface (UI)
 - ▶ 2. Provides a mechanism for data analytics
 - ▶ 3. Provides data visualization capabilities

Section 3: Software (3)

Using the obtained data

► For Data Analytics:

- ▶ IoT systems can generate a lot of data making it possible to run analytics and machine learning algorithms to get more insight.
- Real-time analytics in IoT are becoming more prevalent. Real-time analytics would allow the meters to detect deviations from known usage patterns and generate an alert. This can help in detecting leaks early

► For Data Visualization:

- Data visualization capabilities provide graphical representations of data, allowing you to spot trends and take appropriate action.
- You can also embed commercial visualization tools (like Microsoft's PowerBI or Tableau) into an IoT application.



Example **IoT** Dashboard

Section 4: Operations

- ▶ An IoT system requires a diversified set of technologies deployed remotely.
- Datacenter infrastructure, a DevOps function, the hardware and firmware associated with devices (physical things)

Operation components:

- ▶ 1)Infrastructure: network, server, and storage infrastructure.
- ▶ 2) **DevOps**: Saas concept that development and operations must work together beyond the release of a product or service.
- ▶ 3)**Physical things**: firmware updates, battery mgmt., and sensor calibration
- ▶ 4)**Security**: protecting the system and everything connected to it.

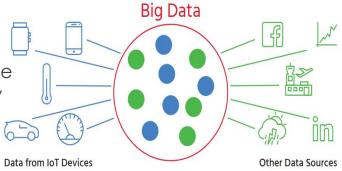
Section 4: Operations

Addressing Security concerns

- ▶ Edge devices tend to get less attention from systems administrators and, thus, can make an attractive target for hackers.
- ▶ In the rush for convenience, security and privacy are often overlooked. IoT security is still in its infancy, leaving the door open for malicious attacks.
- ▶ IoT devices generally come with very limited processing capabilities. This makes it hard to run state of the art encryption-based security solutions inside the devices.
- ▶ Using **TLS/SSL encryption**. For this type of communication, private key encryption is stored at the device level.
- ▶ **IP white-listing** filters untrusted messages at the device level. This is an easy measure to implement in IoT platforms using a static IP addresses.

Section 5: Data

- Big data exists with other small data foundations in the background
- A critical monitoring system, such as crash detection on a self-driving car, needs to be capable of real-time, local decision-making. The process of sending information to the cloud, processing, and sending commands back is simply too slow, actionable data is needed instantly.
- How small data evolves into big data:
 - ▶ Aggregating data from the above example with that of other sources is how small data becomes Big Data.



Big Data Sources

Concluding thoughts

- While experts may disagree on the projected value of the new Data Economy, they all agree that it will have a greater economic impact than the Internet itself.
- Sensor costs are approaching a level that allows trillions to be deployed annually.
- Wireless transmission costs and data storage costs are much lower than they were a few years ago, and price continues to fall.
- Big Data analytics and artificial intelligence are at the lowest cost point in history.
- ▶ It is easier to develop a connected device now than ever before.

Thank You.