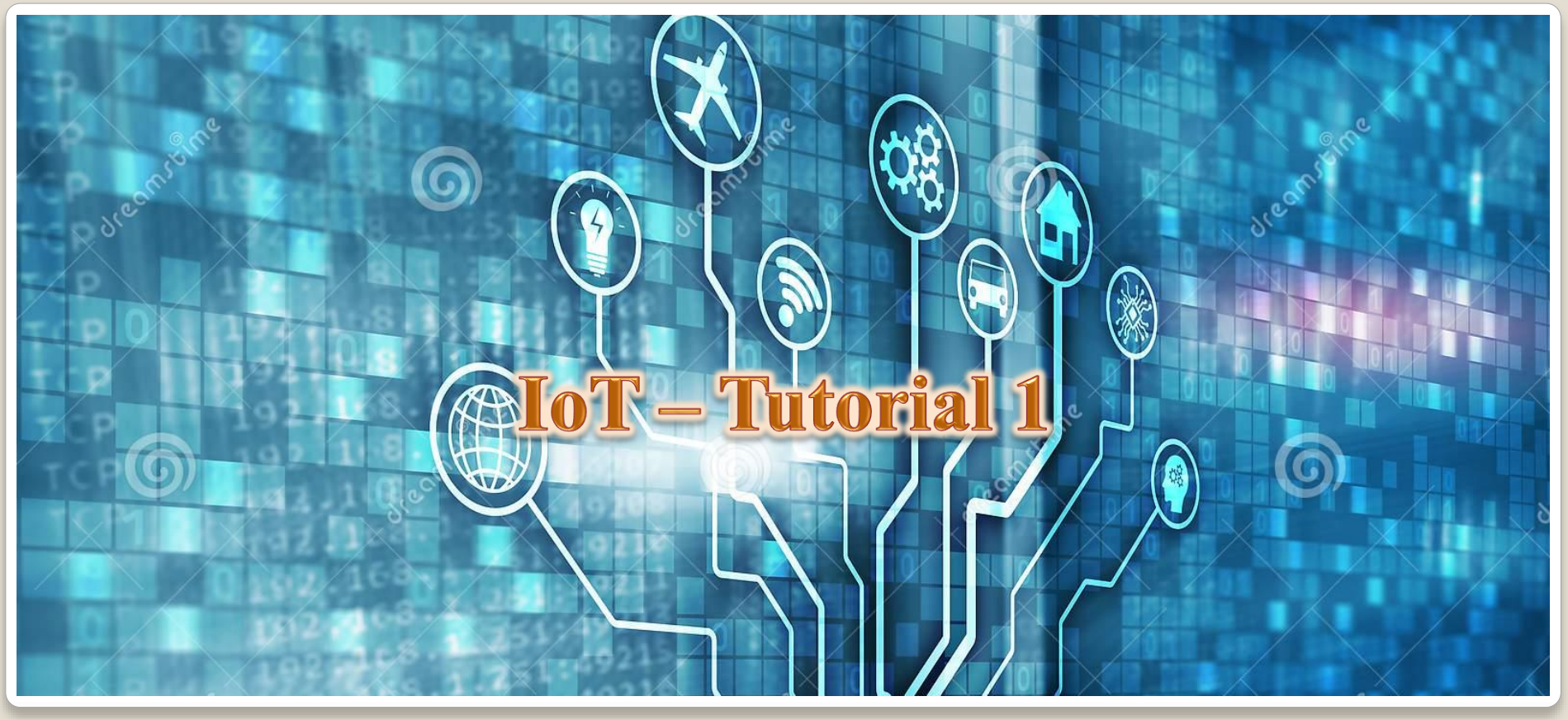

MQTT Protocol

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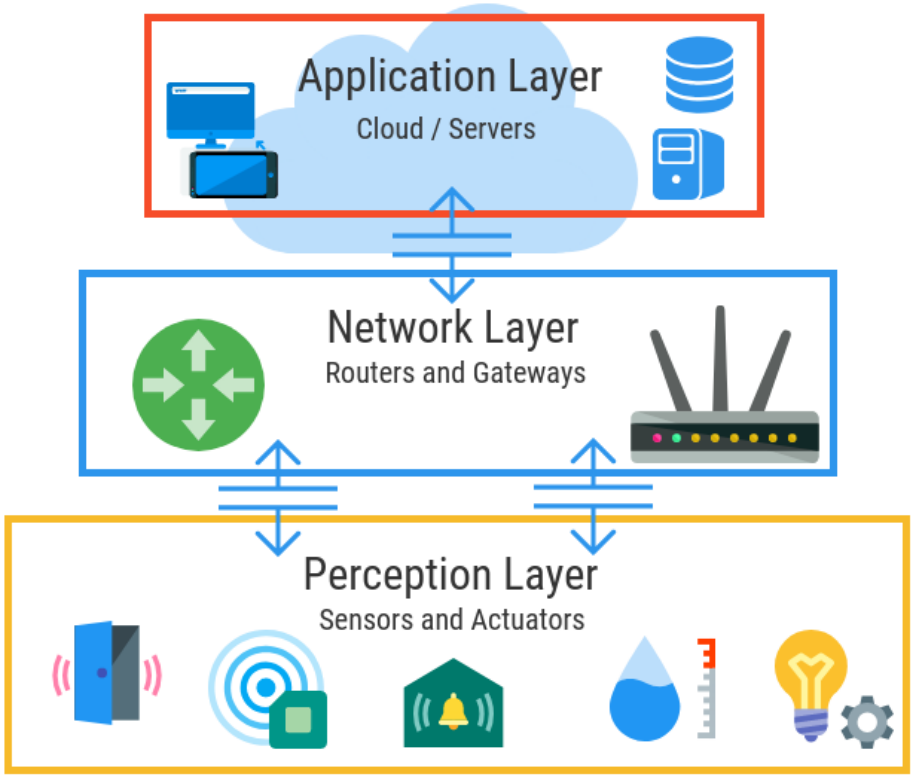
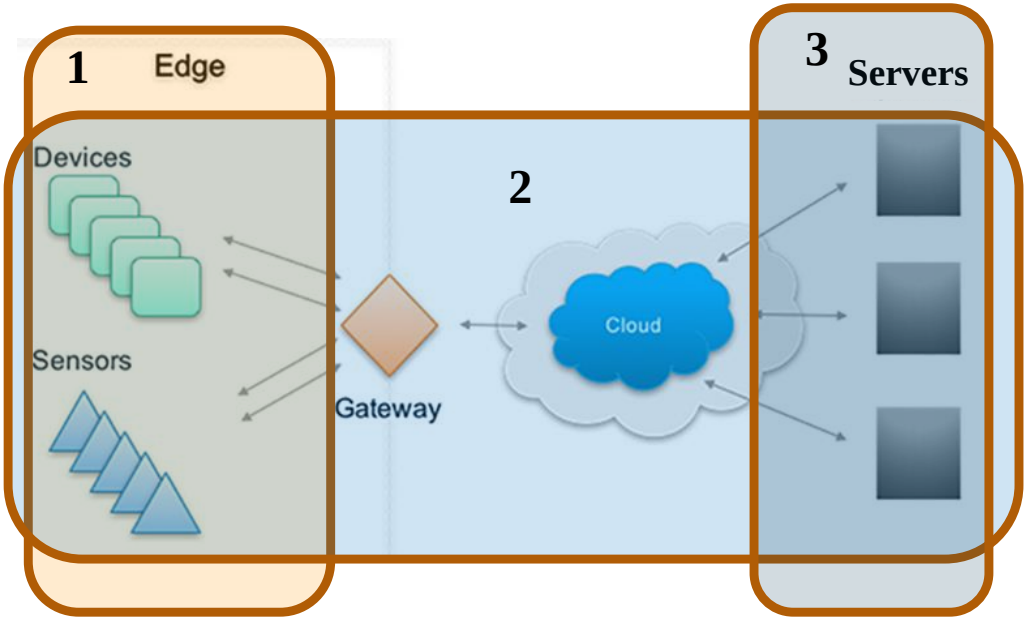
Generic IoT Architecture



Communication Requirements of IoT

- **Three** communication requirements to be addressed in IoT Systems:

1. Between devices on a local network.
2. Between devices through the Internet and between devices and servers.
3. Between servers that store data.

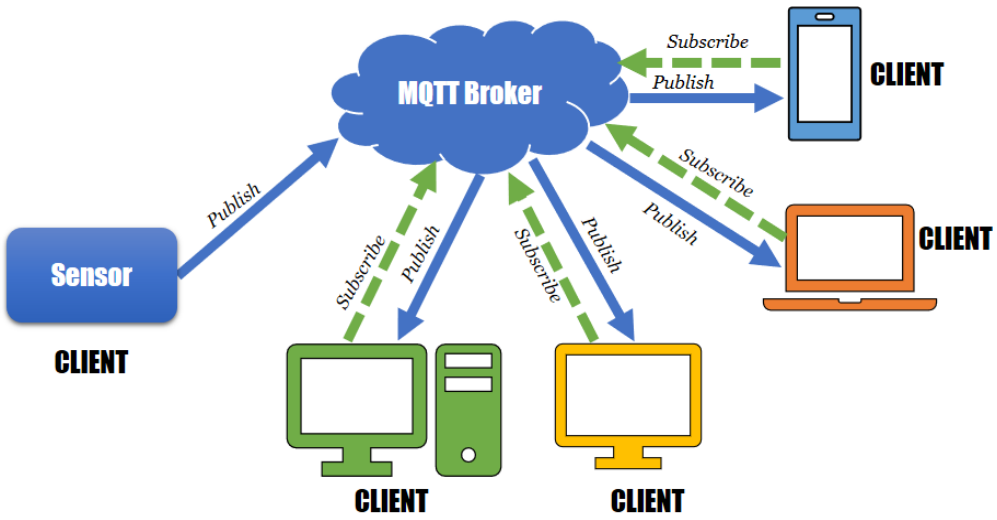


- There are a few **Application layer protocols** that solve the communication challenges faced by IoT systems which run on TCP or UDP.
- **MQTT** is one of them which runs on TCP.

MQTT:
Message Queue Telemetry Transport Protocol

Telemetry: It is the collection of measurements or other data at remote or inaccessible points and their automatic transmission for monitoring.

MQTT: Introduction



MQTT has **three entities**:
broker, subscribers and **publishers**.

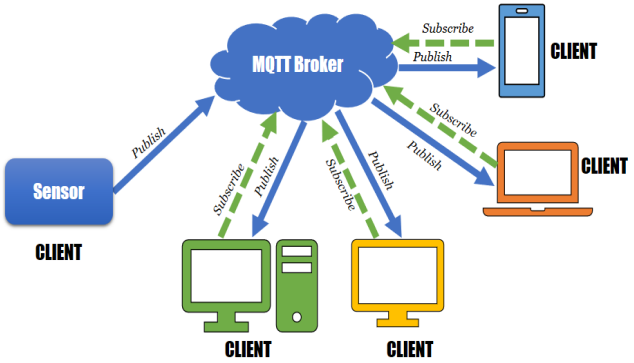
Publishers generate data based on **topics** and transmit them to **broker**, which shares them with **subscribers** to those topics**.**

The broker guarantees **safe** and **reliable** delivery of data from the **publishers** to all the **subscribers**.

- A publish/subscribe (pub/sub) communication model.
- A lightweight bi-directional open messaging protocol.
- Normally used for faraway tracking of IoT devices.
- Focus is to gather and deliver statistics from many gadgets.
- Resource-constrained network clients to distribute data in low-bandwidth environment.

MQTT: More Information

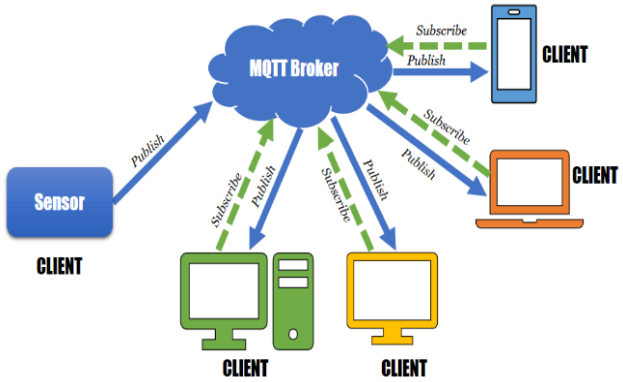
- MQTT was created in 1999 by two engineers - Andy Stanford-Clark (IBM) and Arlen Nipper (Eurotech).
- The protocol is an open OASIS standard and an ISO recommendation (ISO/IEC 20922).



- The latest version of the protocol specification is 5.0 as on 7 Mar 2019.
- **MQTT-SN** (MQTT for Sensor Networks) is a variation of the main protocol aimed at battery-powered embedded devices on non-TCP/IP networks, such as Zigbee, BLE, etc.
- There are no queues, in spite of the name, since it was specifically designed for resource-constrained devices and low bandwidth, high latency networks.
- The broker discards the message if there are no subscribers for that topic unless the publisher has marked it as **retained message**.
- The broker retains only one recent message per topic.

MQTT Protocol: TLS/SSL

- Plain MQTT sends connection credentials in plain text format.
- Security can be provided by using **TLS/SSL** to encrypt and protect the transferred information over Internet against interception, modification or forgery.



- Transport Layer Security (TLS) is an improved version of Secure Sockets Layer (SSL).
- The default unencrypted MQTT port is **1883**. The encrypted port is **8883**.
- **Username** and **password** are shared with MQTT CONNECT packet for authentication and authorization in TLS based MQTT.
- The broker shares certificate (CA file) in PEM (Privacy Enhanced Mail) format which is to be used by the clients to encrypt the messages before sending to MQTT broker.
- MQTT is scalable to 1000s of clients.
- Broker manages and tracks all client connection states, credentials and certificates.
- It has reduced network strain without compromising on security.

Mosquitto

An open source MQTT broker

Mosquitto: Installation Windows and Linux

- Eclipse Mosquitto is an open source (**EPL** licensed) message broker that implements the MQTT protocol versions 5.0, 3.1.1 and 3.1.
- Mosquitto is available on all platforms.
- https://mosquitto.org/download/

We will be using the Windows installation of Mosquitto for our Demo

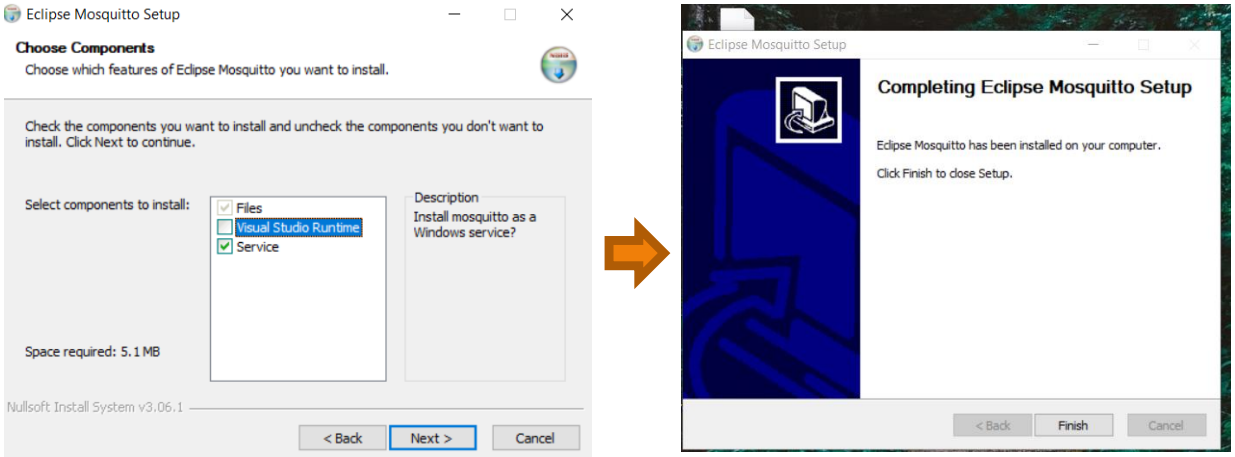
- Executable to install on Windows 10:
  - mosquitto-2.0.11-install-windows-x64.exe
- On Ubuntu or Raspberry Pi you can install Mosquitto broker with:
  - sudo apt-get update
  - sudo apt-get upgrade
  - sudo apt-get install mosquitto
- To view the command options: mosquitto –help
- To invoke mosquito broker in verbose mode: mosquitto –v
- To invoke the publisher: mosquitto_pub
- To invoke the subscriber: mosquitto_sub

Mosquitto Manual

EPL: Eclipse Public License

Mosquitto: Installation on Windows ... A Note

- While you run the installation executable (mosquitto-2.0.11-install-windows-x64.exe) on Windows, you will get an option to install Microsoft **Visual Studio Runtime** as well.
- To run Mosquitto on your machine, you don't need to choose the above option.
- You are free to install Mosquitto without Visual Studio Runtime and you can still run Mosquitto without any issues.



Mosquitto: Running the MQTT Broker on Windows

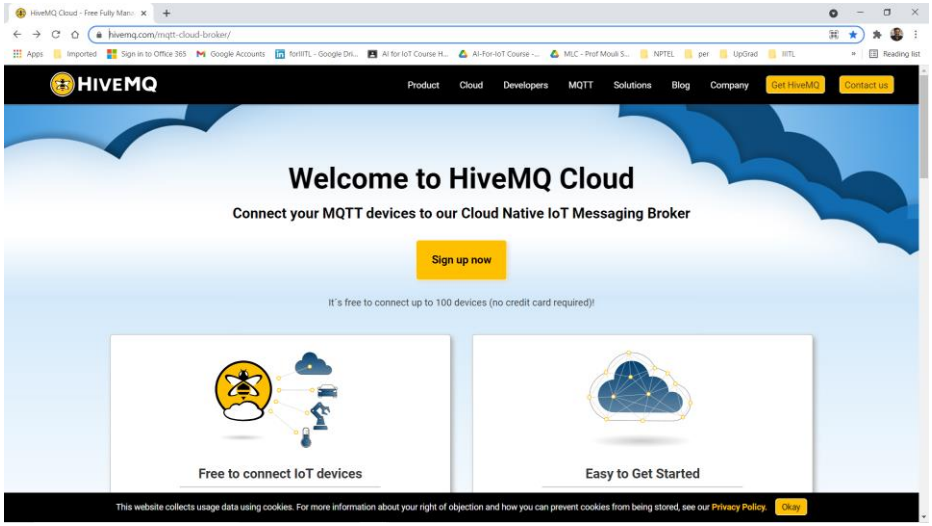
- After installing the Mosquitto on Windows, let us try running it.
- We can run the Broker on the local machine and communicate with it using subscriber and publisher of Mosquitto.
- Let us see a demo of it before we look at running it on the cloud using HiveMQ.
- Navigate to the directory where mosquitto is installed on your machine and give the following commands to invoke them on command prompt.
- To run the **broker** in verbose mode: mosquitto –v
- To run the **subscriber**: mosquitto_sub –h localhost –t Topic1
- To run the **publisher**: mosquitto_pub –h localhost – t Topic1 –m HiMsg

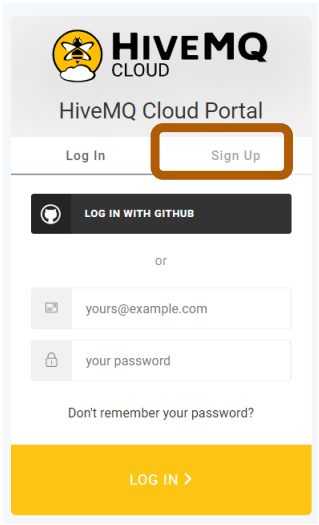
HiveMQ

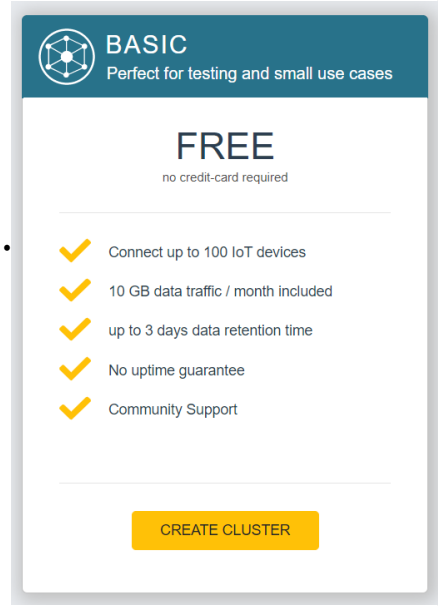
An MQTT-based messaging platform

HiveMQ: MQTT Broker on Cloud: Login Steps

- Create **your account** with your **email** and a **password**. [Login to HiveMQ]
- Maximum two instances of MQTT brokers can be created for **free**.
- There are commercial and enterprise versions available with free trials.

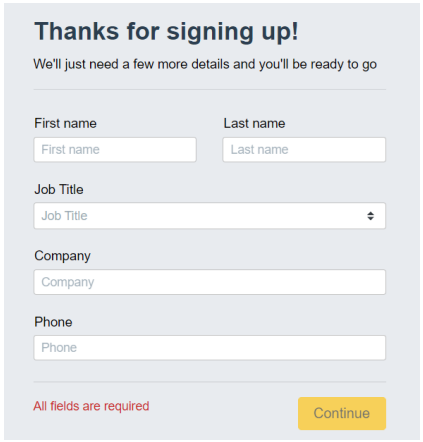


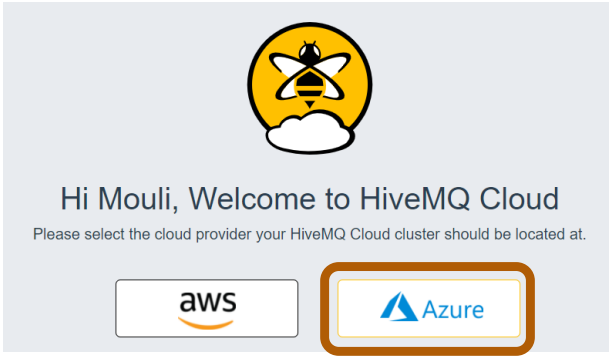




Note: After you sign up with your email id and a password, you need to confirm your email before HiveMQ allows you to login with the login credentials you have provided.

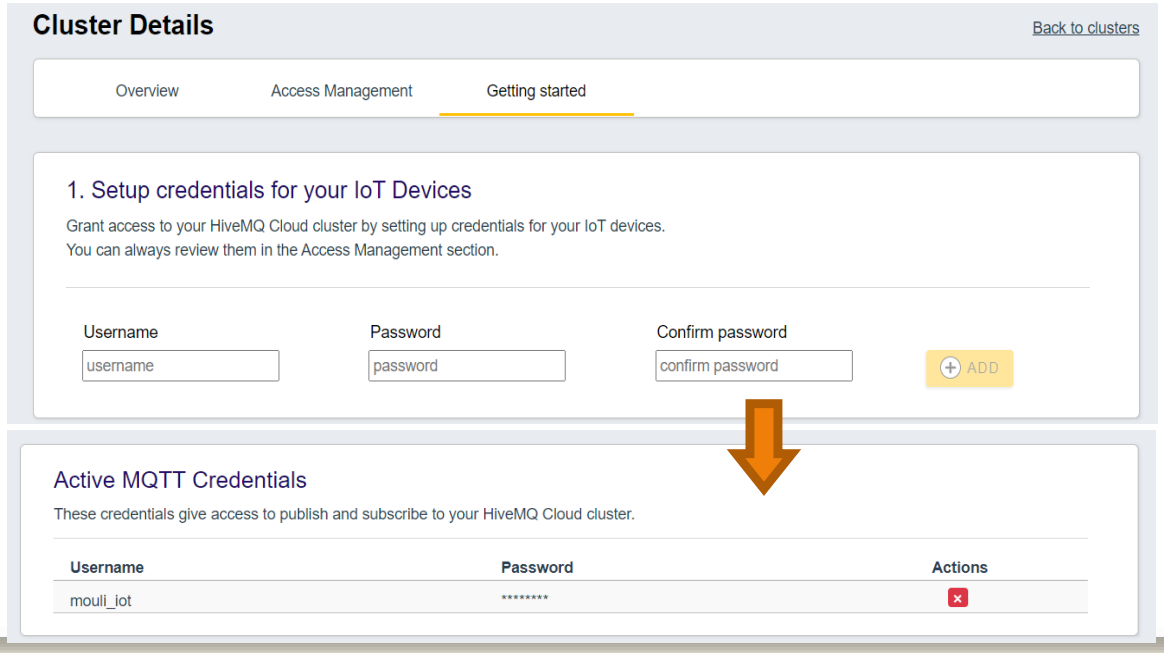
HiveMQ: MQTT Broker on Cloud: Registration





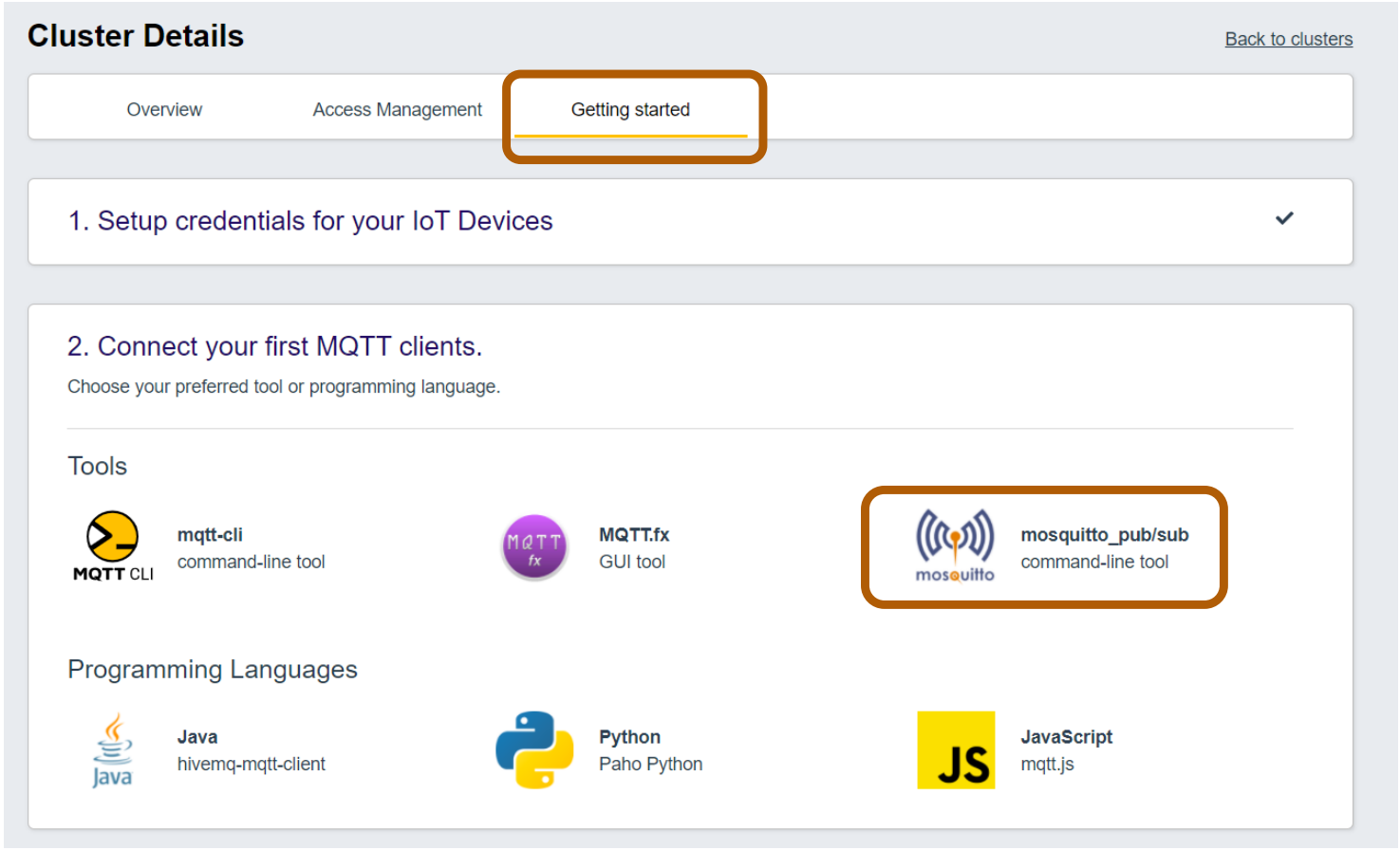
You can create a MQTT broker on either AWS or Azure cloud.

You are free to choose any one of them based on your personal choice.



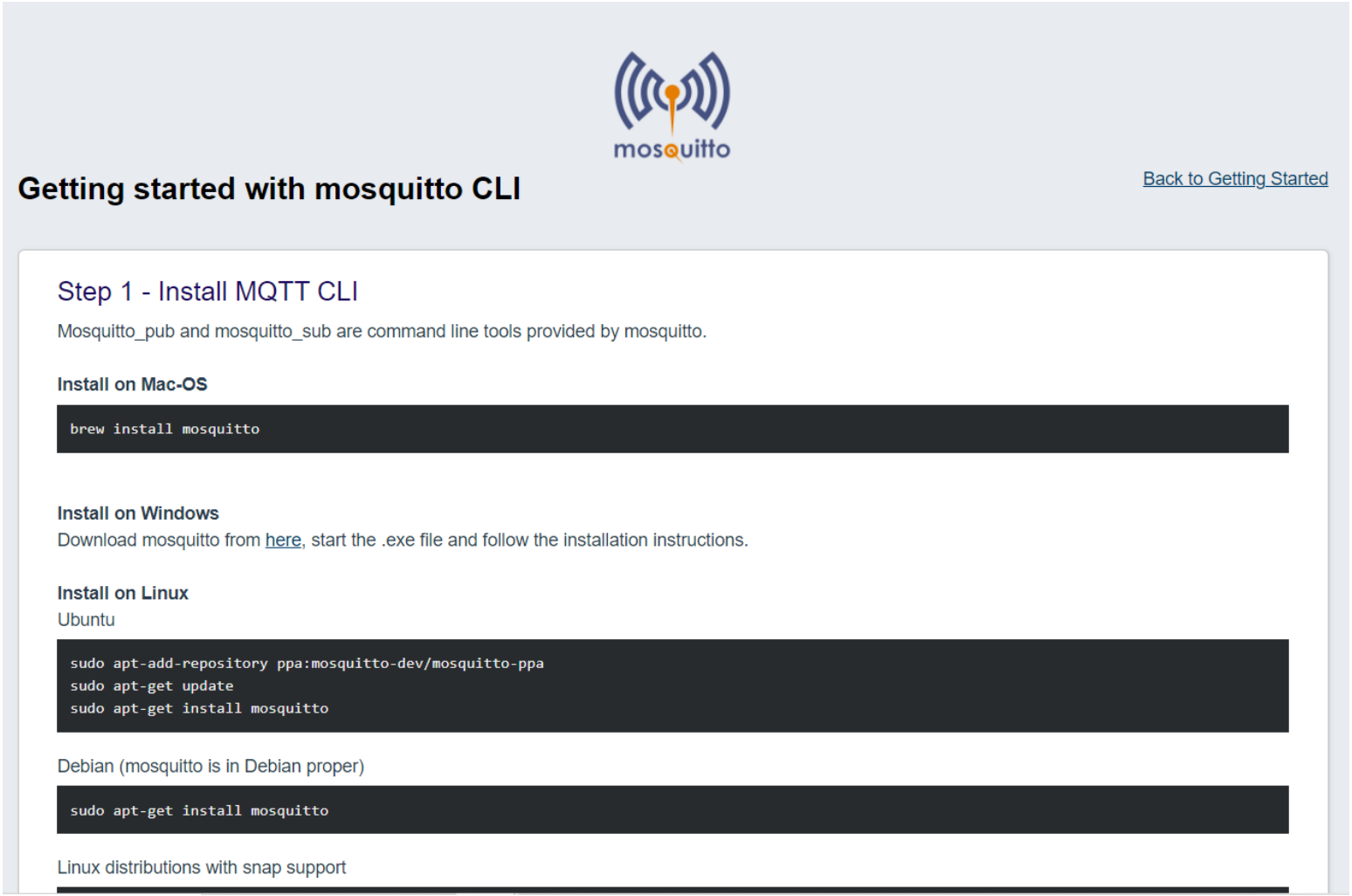
Access Management
You have to provide your IoT device credentials: **username** and **password**.

HiveMQ: : MQTT Client Choices



Note: We are choosing **Mosquitto**.

HiveMQ: : Getting Started with Mosquitto



Note: Scroll down to download the Certificate.

HiveMQ: : Download Certificate (in .pem format)

Older versions of the mosquitto CLI

In older (< 2.x) version of the mosquitto CLI tool you need to specify a trusted certificate parameter for mosquitto_pub / mosquitto_sub to use TLS.
You can find the version installed on your system by running:

```
mosquitto_pub --help
```

In the first few lines of the ouput the version is printed. Example:

```
mosquitto_pub version 2.0.9 running on libmosquitto 2.0.9.
```

If you already have an older (< 2.x) version of the mosquitto CLI tool installed, and want to use it with HiveMQ Cloud, you need to specify a trusted certificate parameter for mosquitto_pub / mosquitto_sub to use TLS. (This also works with the new version)
You can download this cert from here and then run the commands with the `--cafile` parameter pointing to the location of the certificate file.

```
mosquitto_sub -h db1f5826da6143d3af64e1f26b40e068.s2.eu.hivemq.cloud -p 8883 -u mouli_iot -P <your-password> -t my/test/topic --cafile /path/t
```

```
mosquitto_pub -h db1f5826da6143d3af64e1f26b40e068.s2.eu.hivemq.cloud -p 8883 -u mouli_iot -P <your-password> -t 'my/test/topic' -m 'Hello' --
```

Note 1: Click here and download the .pem file and store it in your machine.

Note 2: You can learn about how to communicate with HiveMQ using Mosquitto clients, here.

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