

Definitions about properties/actions/events

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Introduction

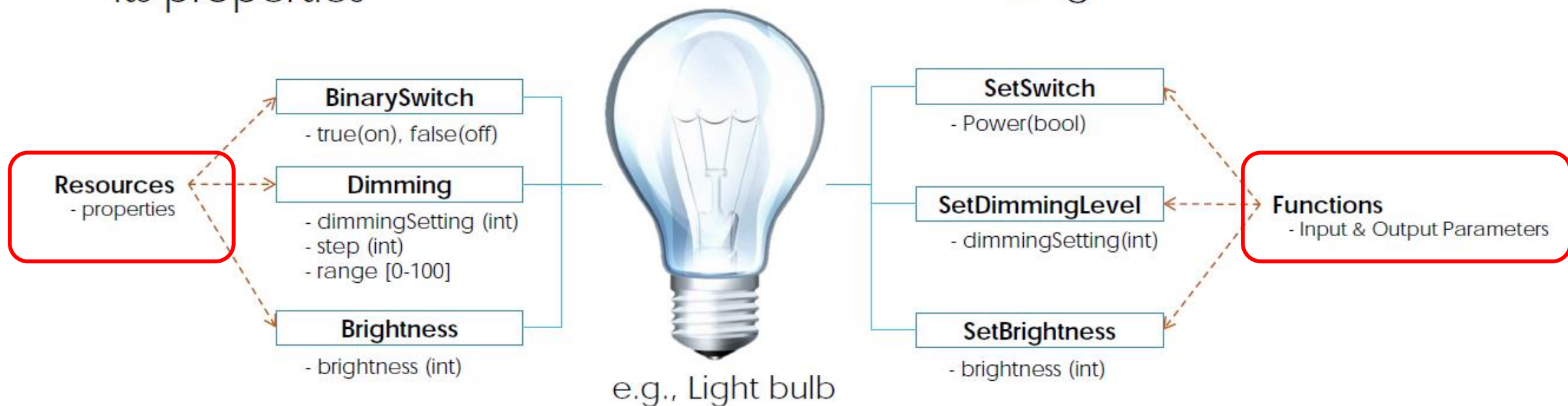
- How to integrate other platforms/protocols like LWM2M or IPSO.
- Two primary models for API design: REST and RPC, for most software developers.
 - gRPC vs REST: Understanding gRPC, OpenAPI and REST and when to use them in API design
 - <https://cloud.google.com/blog/products/api-management/understanding-grpc-openapi-and-rest-and-when-to-use-them>
 - REST vs RPC: What problems are you trying to solve with your APIs?
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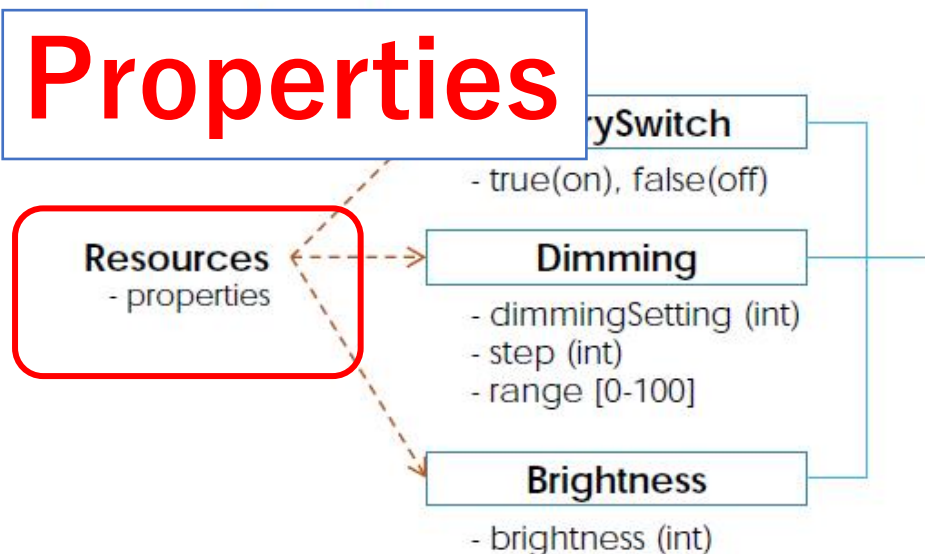
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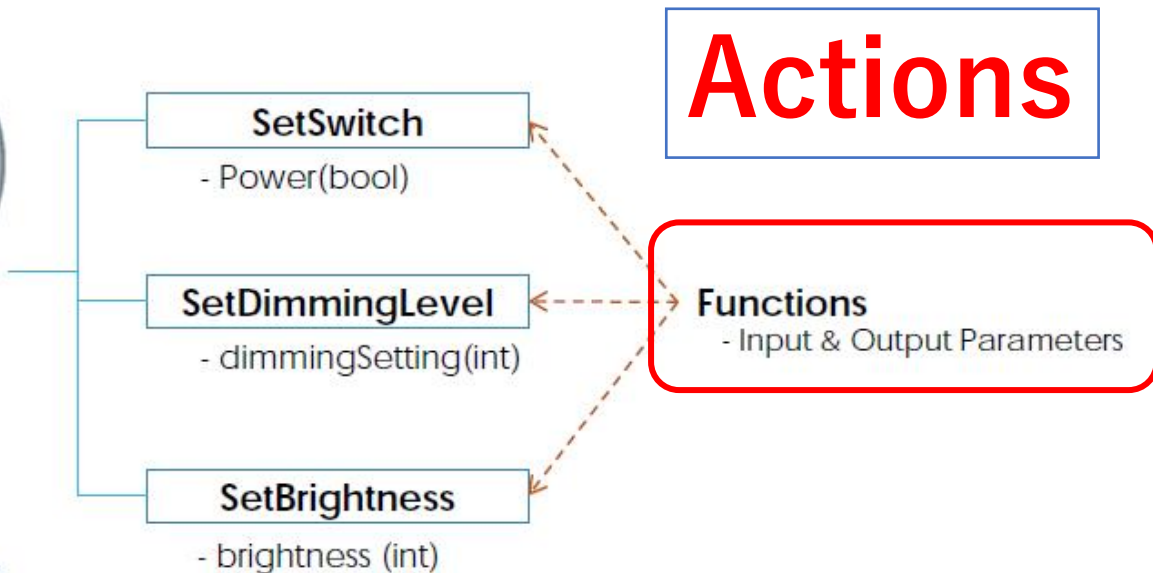
Properties



e.g., Light bulb

- By defining functions/operations of things

Actions



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- RPC model

```

“properties”: {
  “Switch”: {
    “type”: “boolean”,
    “forms”: [...]
  },
  “Brightness”: {
    “type”: “number”,
    “forms”: [...]
  },
},

```

Definition with just properties



```

“properties”: {
  “Switch”: {
    “type”: “boolean”,
    “readOnly”: true,
    “forms”: [...]
  },
  “Brightness”: {
    “type”: “number”,
    “readOnly”: true,
    “forms”: [...]
  },
},
“actions”: {
  “SetSwitch”: {
    “input”: {
      “Switch”: “boolean”
    },
    {
      “output”: {
        “Switch”: “boolean”
      },
      “forms”: [...]
    },
  },
  “SetBrightness”: {
    “input”: {
      “Brightness”: “number”
    },
    {
      “output”: {
        “Brightness”: “number”
      },
    }
  }
}

```

Definition with
properties and actions

Property vs. Action

- Device defined by Properties can be easy to map to both Properties and Actions of WoT.
 - LWM2M, NETCONF, and TR-069(BBF) are defined with Properties.
 - These protocols are used in the device managements.
 - OCF, KNX, BACnet, and ECHONET mainly defined with Properties.
- Device defined by Actions CANNOT be easy to map to Properties of WoT unless if Input = Output.

Events

```

“properties”: {
  “Temperature”: {
    “type”: “number”,
    “observable”: true,
    “forms”: [...]
  }
}

```

Definition with just properties

```

“properties”: {
  “Temperature”: {
    “type”: “number”,
    “forms”: [...]
  }
}
“events”: {
  “TemperatureChanged”: {
    “Temperature”: {
      “type”: “number”,
    }
    “forms”: [...]
  }
}

```

Definition with
properties and events

Example: StorageBattery – ECHONET

- Storage battery has 55 properties and 2 actions

Property Resource Name	Access Method	Data Type	EPC (EL)	プロパティ名称 (EL)	Note
acEffectiveChargingCapacity	GET	number	0xA0	AC実効容量 (充電) AC effective capacity (charging)	
acEffectiveDischargingCapacity	GET	number		AC実効容量 (放電)	
acChargeableCapacity	GET	number			
acDischargeableCapacity	GET	number			

Actions part

Properties part

ECHONET Lite Web API Guidelines Device Specifications					Date: Jun 25, 2021 Version 1.3.0 ECHONET Consortium
Property Resource Name	Access Method	EPC (EL)	プロパティ名称 (EL)	Note	
resetCumulativeDischargingElectricEnergy	POST	0xD7	積算放電電力量リセット設定 Measured cumulative discharging electric energy reset setting		
resetCumulativeChargingElectricEnergy	POST	0xD9	積算充電電力量リセット設定 Measured cumulative charging electric energy reset setting		

Actions part

```
{
  "deviceType": "storageBattery",
  "eoj": "0x027D",
  "descriptions": {
    "ja": "蓄電池",
    "en": "Storage battery"
  },
  "properties": {
    "acEffectiveChargingCapacity": {
      "epc": "0xA0",
      "descriptions": {
        "ja": "AC実効容量 (充電)",
        "en": "AC effective capacity (charging)"
      },
      "writable": false,
      "observable": false,
      "schema": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "Wh",
        "minimum": 0,
        "maximum": 999999999
      }
    },
    "acEffectiveDischargingCapacity": {
      "epc": "0xA1",
      "descriptions": {
        "ja": "AC実効容量 (放電)",
        "en": "AC effective capacity (discharging)"
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Properties part

```
,
  "actions": {
    "resetCumulativeDischargingElectricEnergy": {
      "epc": "0xD7",
      "descriptions": {
        "ja": "積算放電電力量リセット設定",
        "en": "Measured cumulative discharging electric energy reset setting"
      },
      "schema": {},
      "note": {
        "ja": "ECHONET LiteではSet only property",
        "en": "Access rule of the corresponding ECHONET Lite property is Set only."
      }
    },
    "resetCumulativeChargingElectricEnergy": {
      "epc": "0xD9",
      "descriptions": {
        "ja": "積算充電電力量リセット設定",
        "en": "Measured cumulative charging electric energy reset setting"
      },
      "schema": {},
      "note": {
        "ja": "ECHONET LiteではSet only property",
        "en": "Access rule of the corresponding ECHONET Lite property is Set only."
      }
    }
  }
}
```