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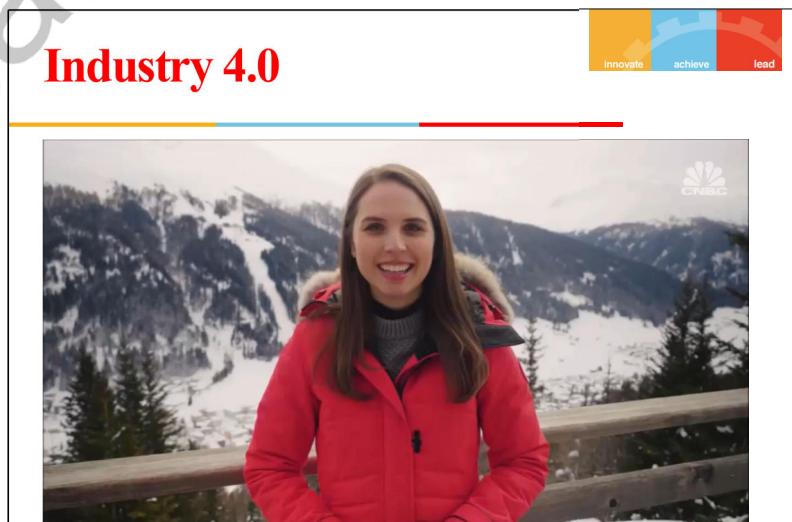
Network Embedded Applications
(CSIW ZG656)

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What is IoT?

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IoT Layers

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Visualization (representation in graphs)



Storage, Analytics and Query (also called Edge IT)



Data integration (data cleaning, normalization and structuring)



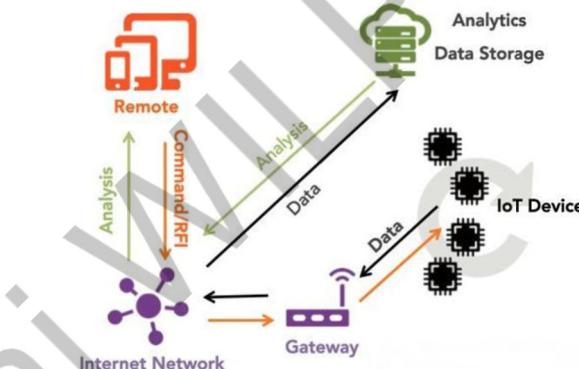
Network & Connectivity elements (wired/ wireless gateways, protocol converters)



Devices / sensors / things / remote data providers

IoT Ecosystem

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IoT Model

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Devices

Send and receive data interacting with the



Network

Where the data is transmitted, normalised and filtered using



Edge Computing

Before landing in



Data Storage / Databases

Accessible by



Applications

Which process it and provide it to people who will



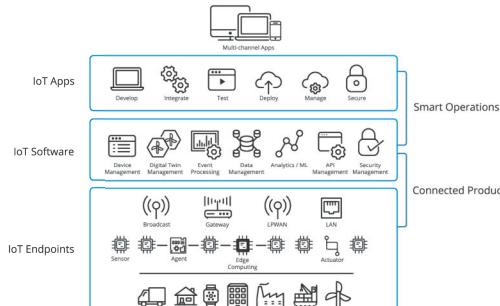
Act & Collaborate

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IoT 3 Layer model



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Sensors

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IoT Sensors

Top 15 IoT Sensors Types Used In Different Industries

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Wireless Sensor Networks

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- ▶ Wireless Sensor Networks are networks that consists of sensors which are distributed in an ad hoc manner.
- ▶ These sensors work with each other to sense some physical phenomenon and then the information gathered is processed to get relevant results.
- ▶ Wireless sensor networks consists of protocols and algorithms with self-organizing capabilities.

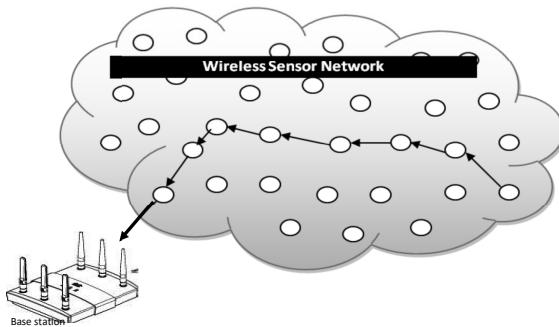
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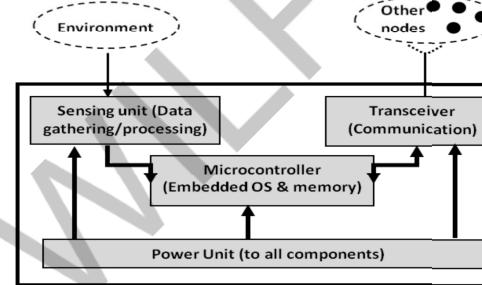


A sensor network is a wireless network that consists of thousands of very small nodes called *sensors*.

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Wireless Sensor Network



WSN Sensors are equipped with sensing, limited computation, and wireless communication capabilities.

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WSN V/S Ad-Hoc network



- ▶ Wireless sensor networks mainly use **broadcast** communication while ad hoc networks use **point-to-point** communication.
- ▶ Unlike ad hoc networks wireless sensor networks are **limited by sensors** limited power, energy and computational capability.
- ▶ Sensor nodes may **not have global ID** because of the large amount of overhead and large number of sensors.

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Characteristics of WSN

- ▶ Wireless Sensor Networks mainly consists of **sensors**. **Sensors** are -
 - ▶ low power
 - ▶ limited memory
 - ▶ energy constrained due to their small size.
- ▶ Wireless networks can also be deployed in **extreme environmental** conditions and may be prone to enemy attacks.
- ▶ Although deployed in an ad hoc manner they need to be **self organized** and **self healing** and can face constant reconfiguration.

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Design Challenges



Heterogeneity

- The devices deployed maybe of various types and need to collaborate with each other.

Distributed Processing

- The algorithms need to be centralized as the processing is carried out on different nodes.

Low Bandwidth Communication

- The data should be transferred efficiently between sensors

Design Challenges...



Large Scale Coordination

- The sensors need to coordinate with each other to produce required results.

Utilization of Sensors

- The sensors should be utilized in a ways that produce the maximum performance and use less energy.

Real Time Computation

- The computation should be done quickly as new data is always being generated.

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Operational Challenges



- Energy Efficiency
- Limited storage and computation
- Low bandwidth and high error rates
- Errors are common
 - Wireless communication
 - Noisy measurements
 - Node failure are expected
- Scalability to a large number of sensor nodes
- Survivability in harsh environments
- Experiments are time- and space-intensive

WSN Enablers



Embed numerous distributed devices to monitor and interact with physical world

Embedded
Control system w/
Small form factor
Untethered nodes

Network devices to coordinate and perform higher-level tasks

Networked
Exploit
collaborative
Sensing, action

Sensing
Tightly coupled to physical world

Exploit spatially and temporally dense, in situ, sensing and actuation

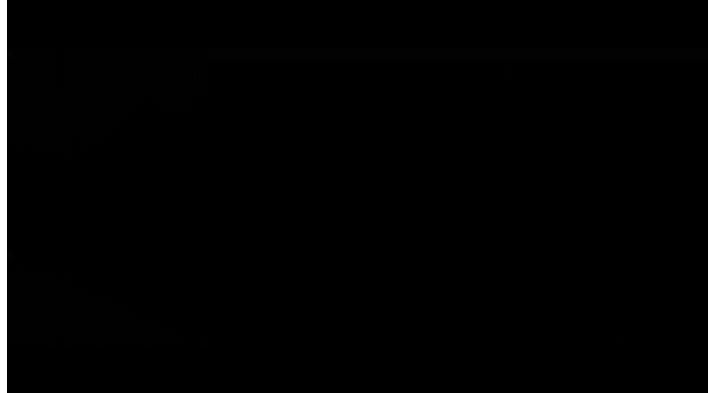
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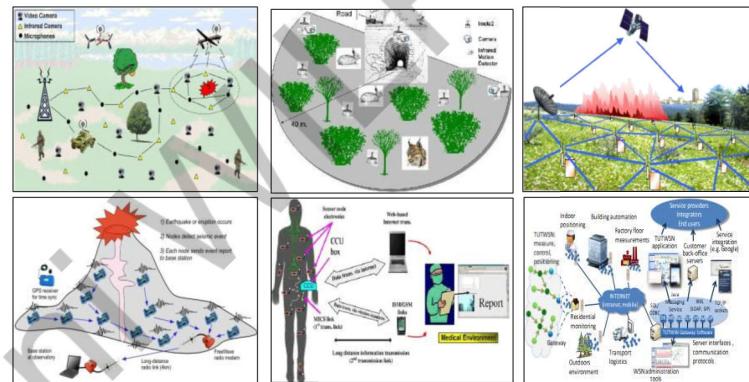




WSN Application



WSN Applications



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WSN Applications...



The applications can be divided in three categories:

1. Monitoring of objects.
2. Monitoring of an area.
3. Monitoring of both area and objects.



Area Monitoring

- ▶ Environmental and Habitat Monitoring
- ▶ Precision Agriculture
- ▶ Indoor Climate Control
- ▶ Military Surveillance
- ▶ Treaty Verification
- ▶ Intelligent Alarms

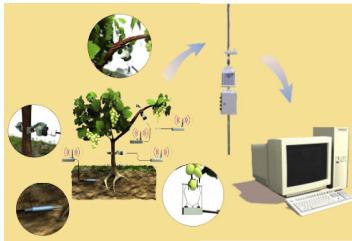
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Area monitoring Example



- Precision agriculture aims at making cultural operations more efficient, while reducing environmental impact.
- The information collected from sensors is used to evaluate optimum sowing density, estimate fertilizers and other input needs, and to more accurately predict crop yields.

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Monitoring Objects



- Structural Monitoring
- Eco-physiology
- Condition-based Maintenance
- Medical Diagnostics
- Urban terrain mapping

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Monitoring Interactions between Objects and Space

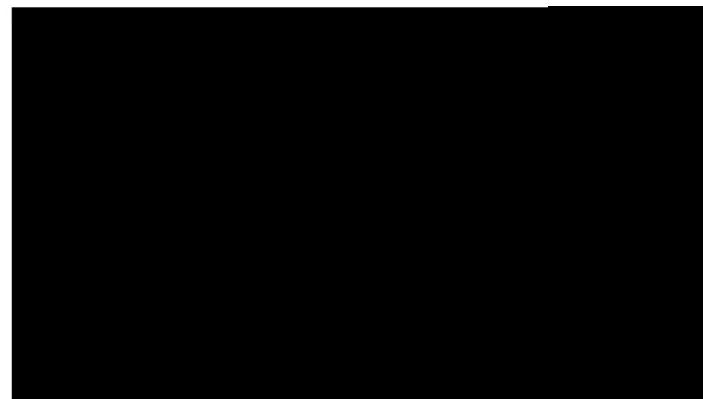


- Wildlife Habitats
- Disaster Management
- Emergency Response
- Ubiquitous Computing
- Asset Tracking
- Health Care
- Manufacturing Process Flows

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Example



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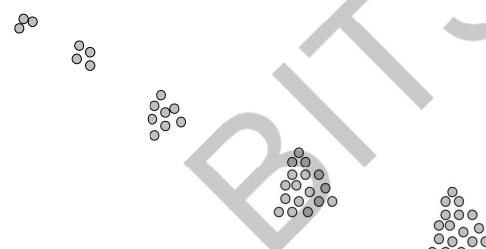
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Military

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Remote deployment of sensors for **tactical monitoring** of enemy troop movements.



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Biomedical

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Health Monitors

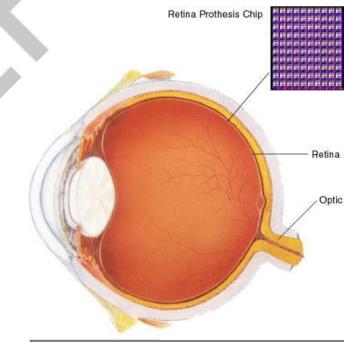
- Glucose
- Heart rate
- Cancer detection

Chronic Diseases

- Artificial retina
- Cochlear implants

Hospital Sensors

- Monitor vital signs
- Record anomalies



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Traffic Management

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✓ Sensors embedded in the roads to:

- Monitor traffic flows
- Provide real-time route updates



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Future World

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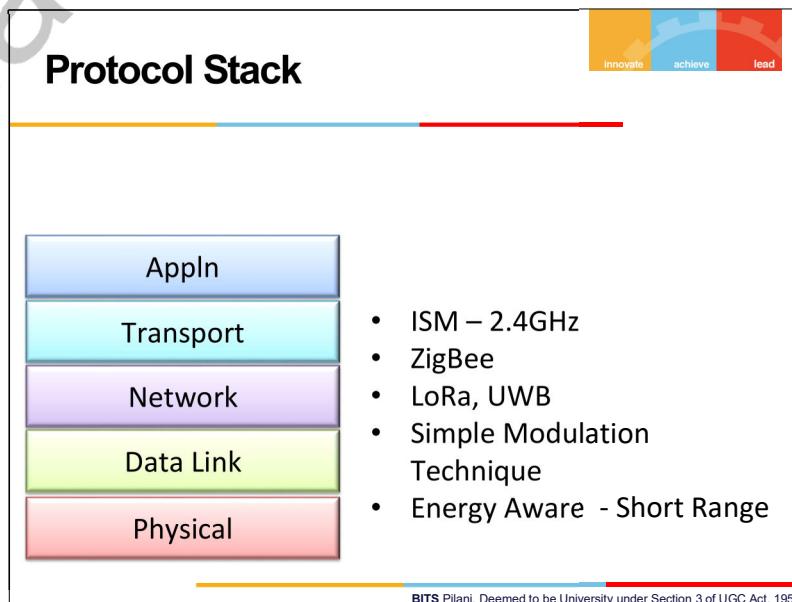
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Wireless Sensor Network

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Protocol Stack

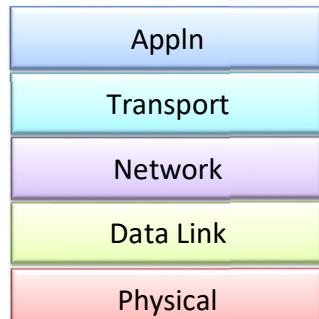
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Appln
Transport
Network
Data Link
Physical

- ISM – 2.4GHz
- ZigBee
- LoRa, UWB
- Simple Modulation Technique
- Energy Aware - Short Range

Protocol Stack

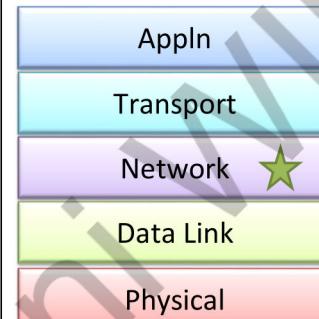


- Energy Aware
 - Collisions
 - Idle Listening
 - Overhearing
 - Sleep state
 - Over-emitting
- Multi Channel

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Protocol Stack

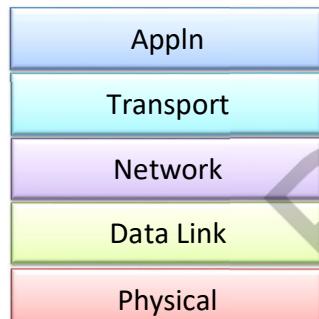


- Data Centric
 - Energy Aware
 - Data Aggregation
 - Query- Response

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Protocol Stack

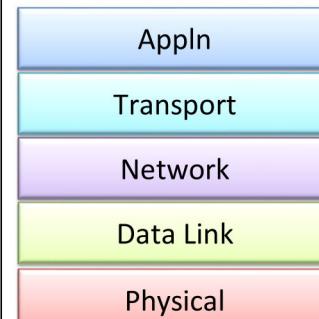


- Appears only when WSN connects to standard infrastructure
 - Nodes – Gateway
 - Gateway needs Transport

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Protocol stack



- One single application
- Whole protocol stack designed for a special appln
- Whole network is seen as an instrument
- Application layer distributed along the whole protocol stack
- Not appear explicitly
- Explicit application
 - Sensor management
 - Task management
 - Data advertisement
 - sensor query & data extraction

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Protocol Stack - Issues



- Dynamic environment
- Power control - Longevity
- Protocol place in the sensor node architecture
- Protocol availability

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Dynamic Environment



- Sensor nodes address a dynamic environment
 - Nodes have to reconfigure themselves –
 - to adapt to the changes.
- resources are very limited
- Network - adapts its functionality to a new situation
 - lower the use of the scarce energy & memory -
 - maintain the integrity of its operation

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Error Control



- Normally resides in all protocol layers – worst case scenarios are handled
- WSN this redundancy- too expensive
- Adopting a central view on how error control is performed and cross-layer design reduces the resources spent for error control

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Power Control



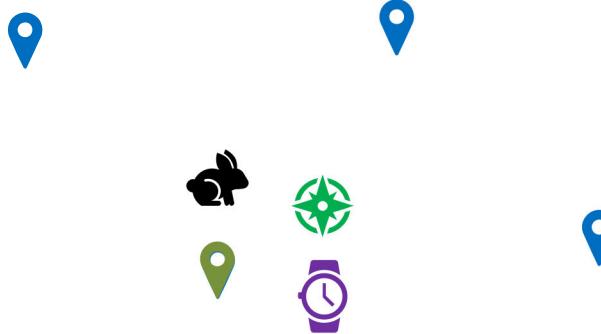
- Traditionally done only at the physical layer,
- Energy consumption- is a major design constraint -
 - found in all

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Protocol Place



Habitat Monitoring

Protocol Place

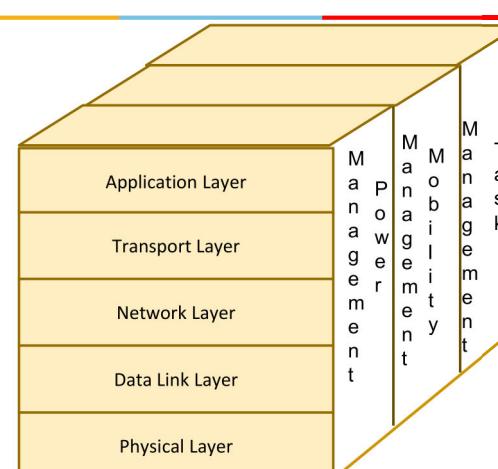
- Time synchronization, localization, calibration.
- Shift their place in the protocol stack - transient phase is over
- Data produced by some of these algorithms might make a different protocol stack more suited for the sensor node
- Localization algorithm for static sensor networks might enable a better routing algorithm

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Protocol Availability

- New protocols might become available after network deployment
- In specific conditions- some of the sensor nodes might use a different protocol stack that better suits their goal & the environment
- Changing or Updating at run time parts of the software on the nodes is important

3D Protocol Stack



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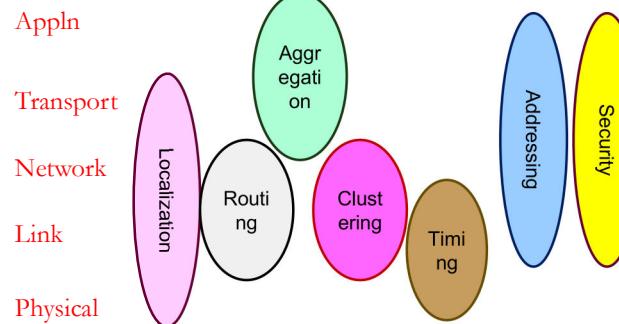
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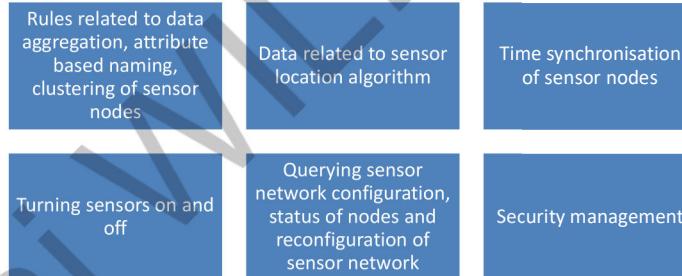
Protocol Placement



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Sensor Management Protocol

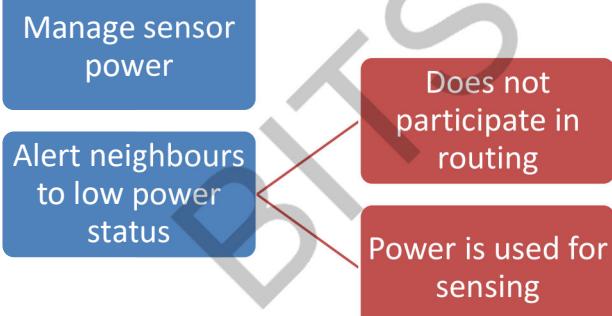


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Power management plane



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Mobility management plane



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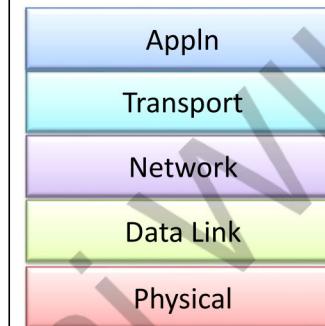
Task management plane



Balances and schedules the sensing tasks in the region

Not all sensor nodes in the region participate in tasks

Cross Layer Protocol



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Cross Layer Protocol

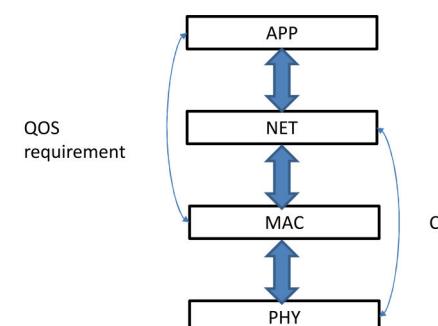


Non adjacent layers interact

Application layer – MAC layer interact to achieve better scheduling

Physical layer exchanges Channel Status Information to improve routing

Cross layer protocols



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Challenges of cross layer protocols



-  Complexity – increased system design effort
-  Scalability Issues – Does not work for large network
-  Interoperability – May face integration issues with standardised systems
-  Security risks – Potential security risk due to open layer communication

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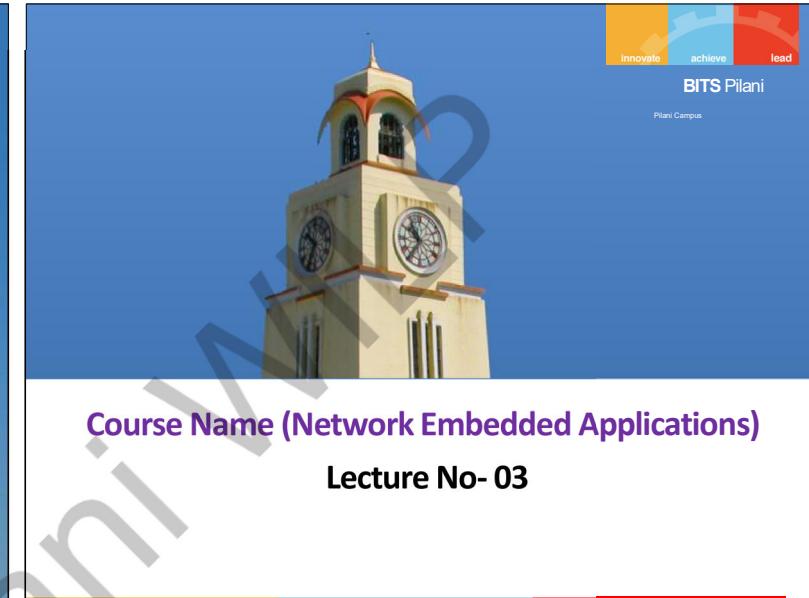
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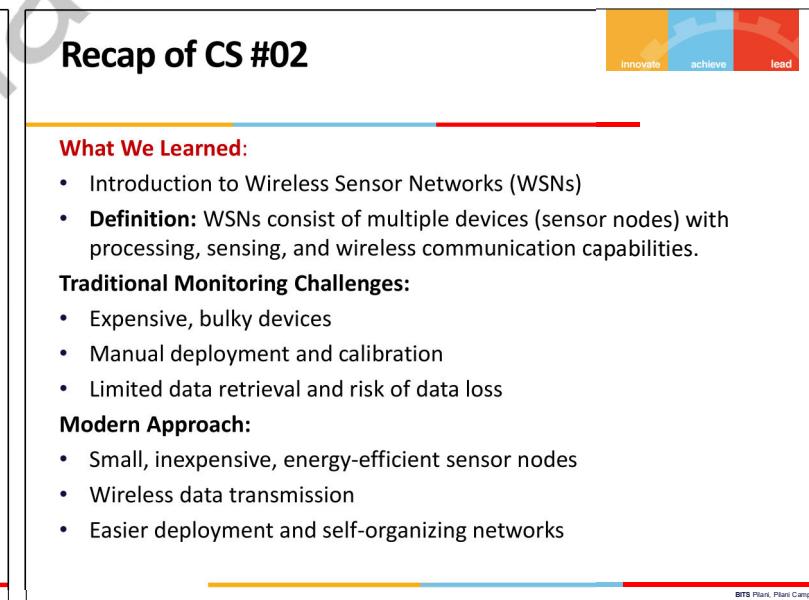


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Course Name (Network Embedded Applications)

Lecture No- 03



Recap of CS #02

What We Learned:

- Introduction to Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs)
- **Definition:** WSNs consist of multiple devices (sensor nodes) with processing, sensing, and wireless communication capabilities.

Traditional Monitoring Challenges:

- Expensive, bulky devices
- Manual deployment and calibration
- Limited data retrieval and risk of data loss

Modern Approach:

- Small, inexpensive, energy-efficient sensor nodes
- Wireless data transmission
- Easier deployment and self-organizing networks



Key Features & Importance of WSNs



Key Features Short-range wireless communication (radio, infrared, etc.)

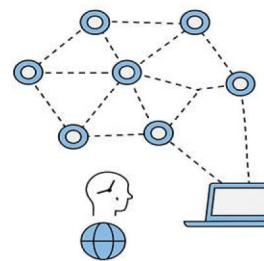
Localized processing and data transmission

Self-configuring and maintenance algorithms

Importance in Computing & Monitoring

Supports real-time environmental monitoring

Enhances decision-making for humans and machines



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Recorded Lectures Review



Serial No	Topic
RL 2.4.1	WSN Time Synchronization
RL 2.4.2	Sender- Receiver Synchronization
RL 2.4.3	Receiver- Receiver Synchronization
RL 2.5.1	WSN Localization, Need for Localization and Issues

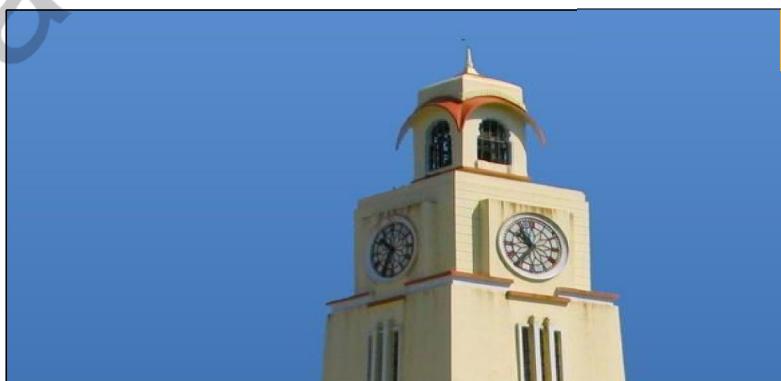
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CS: #03 Agenda



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WSN – structural health monitoring



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Sensor Deployment



Deployed in homes, plantations, rivers, street events

- Target tracking
- Speed estimation
- Ocean/river current monitoring etc.

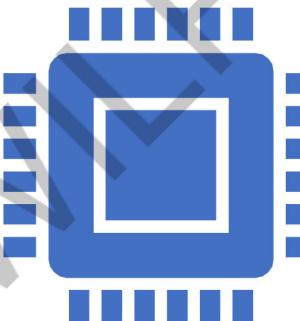
Knowledge of time is a necessity

- Time stamp for security
- Measure the phenomenon etc
- Synchronisation of nodes



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Synchronisation in network embedded system



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Synchronisation



What is synchronisation?



Why do we need synchronisation?



What are the challenges in synchronisation of clocks?

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Time synchronization in Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs)



Time synchronization in Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs)

- Refers to the process of ensuring that all sensor nodes in the network maintain a common time reference within a specified accuracy.
- It is essential for coordinated operations such as event detection, data fusion, secure time stamping, and energy-efficient communication.
- Time synchronization helps overcome challenges like clock drift, network delays, and environmental interference to maintain accurate and reliable sensor data across distributed nodes.

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Why is Time Synchronization Important?



- Ensures **accurate event detection** (e.g., target tracking, speed estimation).
- Enables **secure time stamping** for data integrity.
- Supports **energy-efficient communication** (e.g., TDMA scheduling).
- Allows seamless **fusion of data** (voice, video, sensor readings) from multiple nodes.

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Time Synchronization in Wireless Sensor Networks



Applications

- Small intelligent devices will be deployed in homes, oceans, highways



Target tracking,
speed estimation
and ocean
current monitoring

- Timestamped data packets for security
- Secures synchronizations



Importance

- Data fusion, voice and video synchronization)
- Medium access schemes (TDMA)
- Energy-saving nodes can be turned off

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Challenges in Time Synchronization



- Clock drift** over time causes synchronization errors.
- Multihop delays** affect time consistency across nodes.
- Energy constraints** limit synchronization frequency.
- Unattended deployments** (deep space, ocean floors) make manual adjustments impractical.
- Communication delays** due to software and medium access variations.
- Nodes must be **energy-efficient, low-cost, and compact**.

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Objective

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MAINTAIN SIMILAR TIME

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ASSIST IN MAINTAINING ENERGY EFFICIENCY, LOW COST ETC

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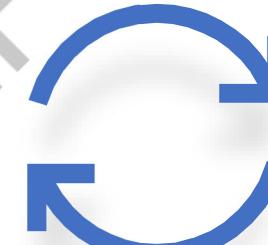
ADDRESS DRIFT IN CLOCKS

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Design challenges

- Application driven
- Time synchronisation is dictated by the application
- Some issues to be addressed
 - Robust: Sensor nodes may fail, and the failures should not have significant effect on the time synchronization error
 - Dependency on a specific master may lead to cascade effect of failure
 - Failures should be contained and not cascaded



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Design Challenges & Factors Affecting Time Synchronization

Challenges in Sensor Networks:

- Mapping sensor network time to **Internet time** (e.g., UTC).
- **Energy constraints** require lightweight synchronization.
- **Frequent node failures** disrupt network synchronization.
- **Interference** can cause network fragmentation, leading to **desynchronized regions**.
- **Large propagation delays** in hierarchical synchronization structures.

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Factors Affecting Synchronization

- **Environmental interference** causing communication delays.
- **Clock drift** over time affecting accuracy.
- **Multihop transmission delays** leading to timing inconsistencies.

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Design challenges

–Energy aware: A time synchronization protocol should use the minimum number of messages to synchronize the nodes in the earliest time.

- Load of time synchronisation should be shared
- If a partition fails, danger of parts of network drifting apart is high

–Server-less: Precise time server may not be available. Sensor nodes should be able to synchronize to a common time without the precise time servers.



Design Challenges

Lightweight: The complexity of the time synchronization protocol has to be low in order to be programmed into the sensor nodes

- The synchronization protocol may be programmed into a FPGA or designed into an ASIC.
- Tight integration of time synchronisation protocol with hardware, the delay and variation of the processing may be reduced.
- Expensive

Tunable service: Should be switched ON or OFF depending on the application requirement



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Factors affecting time synchronisation



- Temperature
- Phase noise
- Frequency noise
- Asymmetric delay
- Clock glitches

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Software Access delay



What is the granularity of a clock running at 500 KHz vs a clock running at 1MHz?



A Mica mote is running at 4MHz having clock granularity of $0.25\mu s$. If the node is 80% loaded and it takes 100 cycles to obtain the time, calculate the software access delay

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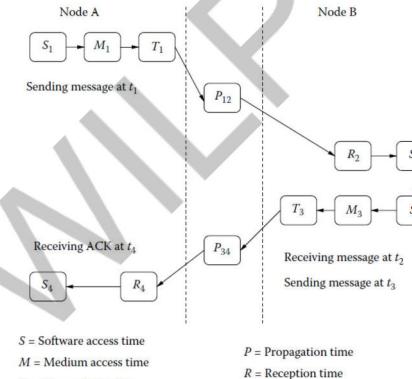


Mica Mote



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Round trip time



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Time Synchronization Protocols

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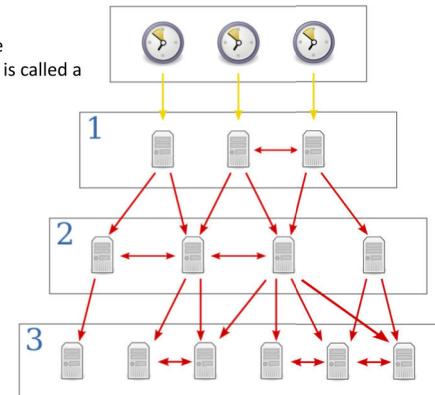
- **Network Time Protocol (NTP)** – Millisecond-level accuracy but energy-intensive.
- **Timing-sync Protocol for Sensor Networks (TPSN)** – Hierarchical approach for synchronization.
- **Reference-Broadcast Synchronization (RBS)** – Uses broadcast reference messages for accuracy.
- **Time-Diffusion Synchronization Protocol (TDP)** – Distributes time updates efficiently.
- **Adaptive Clock Synchronization & ARSP** – Adjusts based on clock drift and network conditions.
- **H-Sensor Broadcast Synchronization (HBS)** - Achieve precise time synchronization in large-scale WSNs.
- **Rate-Based Diffusion (RBD) Protocol** - nodes synchronize their clocks by adjusting their local time based on the rate of clock drift observed over multiple communication rounds.

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NTP(Network Time Protocol)

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- Based on Hierarchical Client – Server Architecture
- Each level of this hierarchy is called a Stratum



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NTP




Stratum 0

These are high-precision timekeeping devices such as atomic clocks, GPS or other radio clocks.

They generate a very accurate pulse per second signal that triggers an interrupt and timestamp on a connected computer.

Stratum 0 devices are also known as reference clocks.

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Stratum 2

- These are computers that are synchronized over a network to stratum 1 servers.
- Often a stratum 2 computer queries several stratum 1 servers. Stratum 2 computers may also peer with other stratum 2 computers to provide more stable and robust time for all devices in the peer group.

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Stratum 3

- These are computers that are synchronized to stratum 2 servers.
- They employ the same algorithms for peering and data sampling as stratum 2, and can themselves act as servers for stratum 4 computers, and so on.

Time Stamps




The 64-bit timestamps used by NTP consist of:

32-bit part for seconds and a 32-bit part for fractional second, giving a time scale that rolls over every 2^{32} seconds (136 years)

Theoretical resolution of 2^{-32} seconds (233 picoseconds).

NTP uses an epoch of January 1, 1900.

Therefore, the first rollover occurs on February 7, 2036.

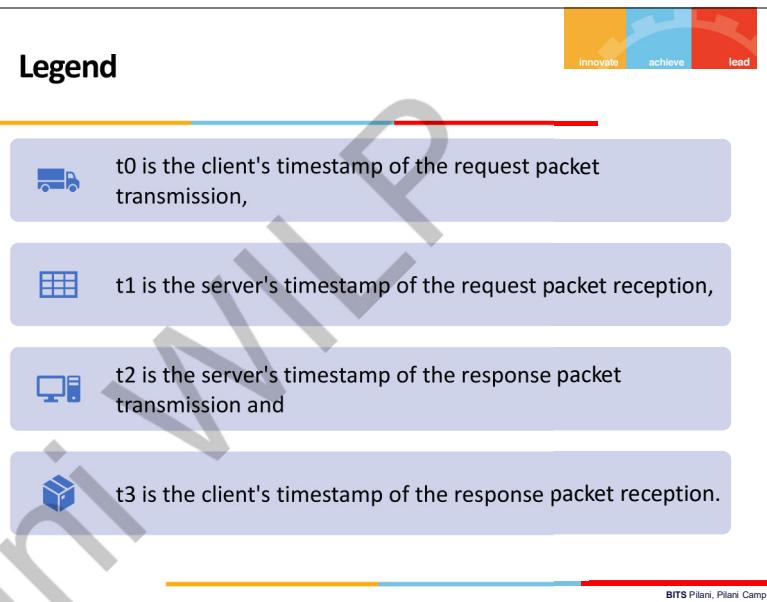
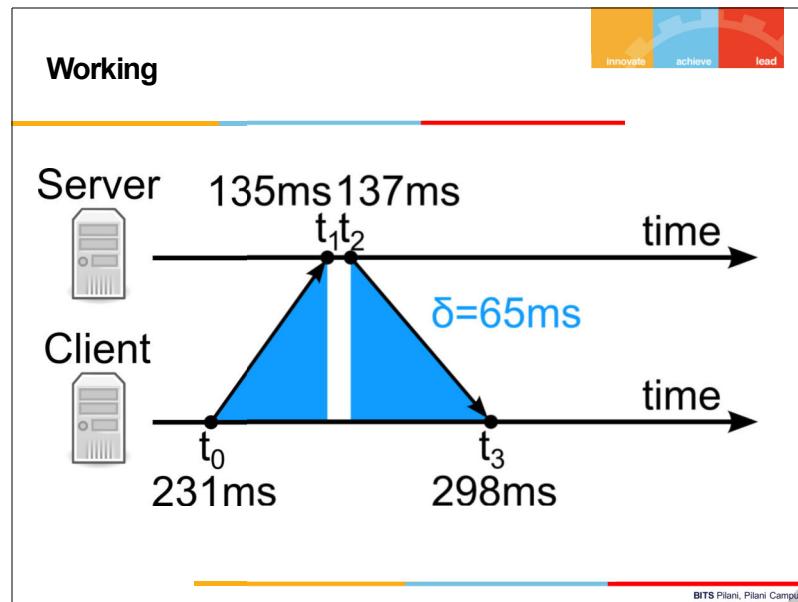
NTPv4 introduces a 128-bit date format:

64 bits for the second and 64 bits for the fractional-second.

The most-significant 32-bits of this format is the Era Number which resolves rollover ambiguity in most cases.

The 64-bit value for the fraction is enough to resolve the amount of time it takes a photon to pass an electron at the speed of light.





Synchronising clocks

NTP client regularly polls one or more NTP servers. The client must compute its time offset and round-trip delay.

Time offset θ , the difference in absolute time between the two clocks, is defined by

$$\theta = \frac{(t_1 - t_0) + (t_2 - t_3)}{2}$$

Clock drift is calculated as:

$$\text{offset/time}$$

$$\text{offset} = \frac{(t_1 - t_0) + (t_2 - t_3)}{2}$$

time = time difference between two syncs

$$\theta = \frac{(t_3 - t_0) - (t_2 - t_1)}{2}$$

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Problem1: Calculate Offset in NTP

- A client sends a request to an NTP server at $T1 = 12:00:00.500$ and receives a response from the server at $T4 = 12:00:01.000$. The server logs the arrival of the request at $T2 = 12:00:00.600$ and sends the response at $T3 = 12:00:00.800$. Find the clock offset (θ) and round-trip delay (δ).

Solution:

- Round-Trip Delay (δ)
$$\delta = (T4 - T1) - (T3 - T2)$$

$$\delta = (12 : 00 : 01.000 - 12 : 00 : 00.500) - (12 : 00 : 00.800 - 12 : 00 : 00.600)$$

$$\delta = (0.500) - (0.200) = 0.300 \text{ sec}$$
- Clock Offset (θ)
$$\theta = \frac{(T2 - T1) + (T3 - T4)}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{(12 : 00 : 00.600 - 12 : 00 : 00.500) + (12 : 00 : 00.800 - 12 : 00 : 01.000)}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{(0.100) + (-0.200)}{2} = \frac{-0.100}{2} = -0.050 \text{ sec}$$





Problem2: Calculate Synchronization Error Due to Network Delay



- A system uses NTP to synchronize with a server, but due to network congestion, the round-trip time fluctuates. If the server processes the request in **0.020 sec** and the total observed round-trip delay is **0.500 sec**, what is the estimated one-way delay?

Solution:

Assuming symmetric delay, one-way delay is:

$$\text{One-way delay} = \frac{\text{Total round-trip delay} - \text{Processing time at server}}{2}$$

$$\text{One-way delay} = \frac{0.500 - 0.020}{2}$$

$$\text{One-way delay} = \frac{0.480}{2} = 0.240 \text{ sec}$$

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Reference Broadcast Synchronisation



Receiver uses the physical layer broadcasts for comparing the clocks.



RBS allows nodes to synchronize their clocks to the resolution necessary for example for wireless sensor network applications.



Rather than broadcasting a timestamp in a synchronization packet, RBS allows the nodes receiving the synchronization packets to use the packet's time of arrival as a reference point for clock synchronization.



Because most of the non-deterministic propagation time involved in transmitting a packet over a wireless channel lies between the construction of the packet and the sender's transmitter (e.g., sender's queue delay, MAC contention delay, etc.), by timestamping only at the receiver, RBS removes most delay uncertainty involved in typical time synchronization protocols.

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Limitation of NTP for embedded systems?



Computation intensive



Energy consumption not taken into account



Requires precise time servers



May suffer from large time delays

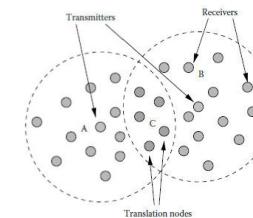
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RBS



Receivers communicate with each other

- Receivers record time of arrival
- Communicate the time of arrival with
- The offset in arrival is calculated



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RBS Translation nodes

Sensor nodes within broadcast region of both transmitter region are known as translation nodes

On occurrence of an event:

Message describing the event with timestamp is translated by translation node

The translate message is routed back to the sink

This message is used for synchronisation

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Problem 2: Adjusting Clocks Using RBS

A reference node sends a broadcast message. Three nodes record the arrival times:

- Node P: 12.500 sec
- Node Q: 12.530 sec
- Node R: 12.515 sec

Find the adjustments required for each node to synchronize with the average clock time.

Solution :

1. Compute the average arrival time:

$$T_{avg} = \frac{T_P + T_Q + T_R}{3}$$

$$T_{avg} = \frac{12.500 + 12.530 + 12.515}{3} = \frac{37.545}{3} = 12.515 \text{ sec}$$

2. Compute adjustments for each node:

- Node P Adjustment: $12.515 - 12.500 = +0.015$ sec (slow, needs to be increased)
- Node Q Adjustment: $12.515 - 12.530 = -0.015$ sec (fast, needs to be decreased)
- Node R Adjustment: $12.515 - 12.515 = 0.000$ sec (already synchronized)

Node P: Increase time by **0.015 sec**

Node Q: Decrease time by **0.015 sec**

Node R: No adjustment needed

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Problem 1: Calculate Clock Offset



Using RBS

- A reference node broadcasts a reference message to two receiver nodes, **Node A** and **Node B**. The recorded arrival times of the message at both nodes are:
- **Node A:** 10.250 seconds
- **Node B:** 10.275 seconds

Find the clock offset between Node A and Node B.

Solution :

The clock offset θ between two nodes is given by:

$$\theta = T_B - T_A$$

$$\theta = 10.275 - 10.250 = 0.025 \text{ sec}$$

- Clock offset between Node A and Node B: 0.025 seconds
- This means Node B's clock is ahead of Node A by 0.025 seconds.

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Advantages of Reference-Broadcast Synchronization (RBS)

- **High Synchronization Accuracy:** Removes **send and receive uncertainties**, leading to better precision.
- **No Need for Global Time Source:** Synchronization is achieved **locally** among sensor nodes.
- **Energy-Efficient:** Reduces the need for **frequent clock adjustments**, saving node battery life.
- **Multi-Hop Synchronization:** Supports **distributed synchronization**, making it scalable for large networks.
- **Resistant to Clock Drift:** Nodes continuously synchronize based on shared reference broadcasts.
- **No Need for Dedicated Time Servers:** Works without relying on external time sources like GPS or NTP.

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Challenges of Reference-Broadcast Synchronization (RBS)

- **Requires Extra Communication Overhead:** Additional reference messages are needed, **increasing network traffic**.
- **Limited to Nodes in the Same Broadcast Domain:** Only nodes receiving the same reference signal can synchronize.
- **Vulnerable to Wireless Interference:** Packet **loss or delays** due to interference can reduce accuracy.
- **Multi-Hop Synchronization Complexity:** Synchronizing nodes over **multiple hops** is challenging.
- **Not Ideal for Real-Time Systems:** The reliance on reference messages may introduce **latency** in time-critical applications.
- **Potential Security Risks:** Broadcast signals can be **hijacked or manipulated**, leading to false synchronization.



H-Sensor Broadcast Synchronisation

✓ Designed for clusters



Assumes cluster heads are high power sensors

Capable of accessing GPS signal
Message encryption



Each timing message tagged with

Sequence number
Message authentication code using shared key



Public/private keys are preloaded and are protected by tamper resistant hardware



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H-Sensor Broadcast Synchronisation



Authentication of timing message

- Neighbouring cluster heads check authentication code using stored public key
- In case of unauthentic message, an alarm is broadcast

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Advantages of HBS in WSN

- **High Accuracy:** H-sensors provide a reliable time reference, reducing synchronization errors.
- **Energy Efficiency:** Regular sensor nodes do not need to send frequent synchronization messages, **saving battery life**.
- **Scalability:** Suitable for large **WSN deployments** with minimal overhead.
- **Robustness:** Reduces **clock drift** by using periodic broadcast synchronization.
- **Low Communication Overhead:** Fewer messages exchanged compared to peer-to-peer synchronization methods.
- **Faster Convergence:** Synchronization occurs quickly due to **one-to-many broadcasting**.



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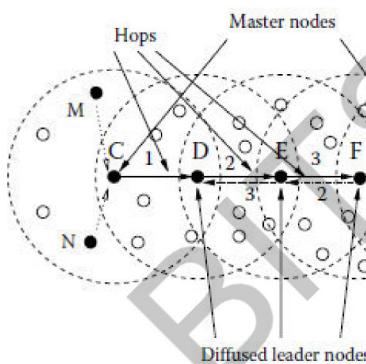
Challenges of HBS in WSN



- **Dependency on H-Sensors:** If H-sensors fail, synchronization accuracy may degrade.
- **Limited Coverage Area:** H-sensors must be strategically placed for optimal coverage and efficiency.
- **Environmental Interference:** Wireless interference can cause packet loss, affecting time synchronization.
- **Initial Deployment Cost:** Requires additional high-powered H-sensors, increasing costs compared to fully homogeneous networks.
- **Multi-Hop Synchronization Delay:** Nodes farther from H-sensors may experience slight synchronization delays.
- **Security Concerns:** H-sensor signals can be vulnerable to spoofing or jamming attacks.

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Time Diffusion Synchronisation Protocol



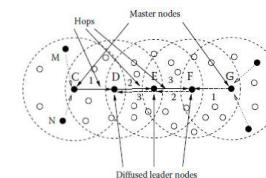
- Maintains time throughout network within certain tolerance
- Tolerance levels adjusted as per application requirement
- Automatic self configuration performed by electing master nodes
 - Election process sensitive to energy requirements
- Deployed in unattended areas

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Elected nodes C & G
Master node measure round trip delay with their neighbours
Neighbours then self determine if to become diffuse leader node
Elected diffuse leaders send reply to master and send message to neighbours to measure RTT



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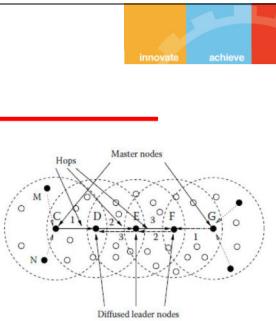
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Nodes M,N and D are diffuse leader nodes of C

On receipt of reply, master calculates RTT and SD of RTT

One-way delay is RTT/2

Master send time stamped message to neighbour containing SD



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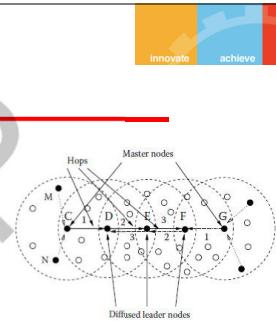
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On receipt of time stamped msg diffuse leader nodes adjust time delay and broadcast time stamped msg.

This msg accounts for one-way delay and SD of RTT from diffuse leader.

Process continues n times, where n is number of hops from master node

What are the number of hops in the scenario?



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On receipt of multiple time stamped message from masters, receiver uses sd as weight to determine the time diffused and calculate the new time

Master nodes are autonomously elected

If nodes die, other nodes self determine to become masters

TDP can operate as a serverless system

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Problem 1: Calculating Average Time in a Diffused Network

A Time Diffusion Synchronization Protocol (TDP) is used in a wireless sensor network where **four** nodes (A, B, C, and D) receive a synchronization message and record the following timestamps:

- Node A: 10.500 sec
- Node B: 10.450 sec
- Node C: 10.525 sec
- Node D: 10.475 sec

Using the TDP approach, find the average network time to which all nodes should synchronize.

Solution :

The average time T_{avg} is calculated as:

$$T_{avg} = \frac{T_A + T_B + T_C + T_D}{4}$$

$$T_{avg} = \frac{10.500 + 10.450 + 10.525 + 10.475}{4}$$

$$T_{avg} = \frac{41.95}{4} = 10.4875 \text{ sec}$$

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Problem 2: Synchronization Adjustment for Nodes



- Using the previous problem, calculate the adjustment required for each node to synchronize with $T_{avg} = 10.4875$ sec.

Solution :

Each node's adjustment is:

$$\Delta T = T_{avg} - T_{node}$$

- Node A: $10.4875 - 10.500 = -0.0125$ sec (decrease time)
- Node B: $10.4875 - 10.450 = +0.0375$ sec (increase time)
- Node C: $10.4875 - 10.525 = -0.0375$ sec (decrease time)
- Node D: $10.4875 - 10.475 = +0.0125$ sec (increase time)

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Challenges of TDP



Challenges of TDP in WSN:

- Computational Overhead:** Nodes must calculate **average time values**, which increases processing time.
- Synchronization Accuracy:** While it minimizes errors, it may not achieve **millisecond-level precision** like some other protocols (e.g., RBS).
- Multi-Hop Delays:** Time information diffusion can be **delayed** in large networks.
- Initial Synchronization Complexity:** Requires proper selection of **master nodes** for accurate time distribution.
- Environmental Factors:** Wireless interference and **network congestion** can affect time synchronization accuracy.

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Advantages of TDP



Advantages of TDP in WSN :

- Scalability:** Works efficiently in **large-scale, multi-hop** sensor networks.
- Fault Tolerance:** No single point of failure; synchronization is **distributed** across multiple nodes.
- Energy Efficiency:** Reduces unnecessary message exchanges, conserving battery life.
- Clock Drift Compensation:** Uses an **averaging mechanism** to minimize errors caused by clock drift.
- Robust to Network Delays:** Handles **variable network latencies** better than single-source synchronization protocols.
- Self-Organizing:** Nodes dynamically adjust synchronization based on local observations.

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Rate Based Diffusion Protocol



- Rate-Based Diffusion Protocol is a **time synchronization technique** used in WSNs where nodes synchronize their clocks by adjusting their local time based on the rate of clock drift observed over multiple communication rounds. It ensures **gradual synchronization** rather than abrupt corrections, improving stability and energy efficiency.

Algorithm:

- Repeat following steps with some frequency:
- For each sensor n_i in the network do
- Exchange clock times with the neighbours
- For each neighbour n_j do
- Let the time difference between n_i and n_j be $t_i - t_j$
- Change time of n_i to $t_i - r_{ij}(t_i - t_j)$

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RBD



Sensor nodes exchange their time information with neighbours



Sensors adjust their time by $r_{ij}(t_i - t_j)$



Where

r_{ij} is the diffusion rate
 $(t_i - t_j)$ is the time difference between nodes n_i and n_j

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Problem1 : Calculating Adjusted Clock Rate using RBD protocol



- A sensor node has a **local clock drift rate of +2 ms per second** compared to a reference clock. The node applies Rate-Based Diffusion (RBD) by adjusting its clock rate gradually. If the adjustment step is **0.5 ms per second per synchronization cycle**, how many cycles will it take to synchronize the node with the reference clock?

Solution:

- Initial drift rate = +2 ms/sec
- Adjustment per cycle = 0.5 ms/sec
- Target drift rate = 0 ms/sec (perfect synchronization)
- Number of cycles needed:

$$\text{Cycles} = \frac{\text{Initial drift rate}}{\text{Adjustment per cycle}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{0.5} = 4 \text{ cycles}$$

It will take **4 synchronization cycles** to fully correct the drift

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Advantages & Challenges of Rate-Based Diffusion Protocol



- Advantages:**

- **Energy Efficient** – Avoids frequent resynchronization messages.
- **Stable Synchronization** – Prevents sudden large clock adjustments.
- **Scalability** – Works well in large WSNs with many nodes.

- Challenges:**

- **Slow Convergence** – Synchronization takes time to stabilize.
- **Drift Variability** – Different sensor nodes may have unpredictable clock drifts.
- **Communication Overhead** – Nodes must exchange drift data periodically.

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Problem 2: Synchronization Time Estimation using RBD protocol



- In a WSN using RBD, Node A and Node B exchange their clock rates. Node A has a drift of **+3 ms/sec**, and Node B has a drift of **-1 ms/sec**. If the nodes adjust their drift at a rate of **0.4 ms/sec per cycle**, how long will it take for them to synchronize?

Solution:

- Relative drift between A and B:

$$\text{Total drift} = (3 - (-1)) = 4 \text{ ms/sec}$$

- Adjustment per cycle = 0.4 ms/sec

$$\text{Cycles required} = \frac{4}{0.4} = 10 \text{ cycles}$$

Node A and Node B will synchronize in **10 cycles**.

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Setting up a wireless network to monitor environment





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Wireless Sensor Network - Localization

WSN Localization



Why Localisation?

Dynamic environment

Hundreds of sensors are placed randomly – over a large area

Initial location of the nodes may been unknown

Estimation of a nodes position used

- Measurement without position is useless
- Allows energy efficient geographic routing
- Self-organization and Self-healing is easier
- Obstacles can be found and by-passed
- Tracking – Measurement itself





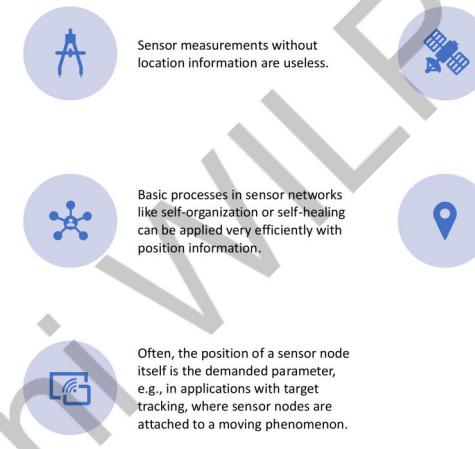
What is localisation?

Actual placement of sensors is tedious and cost intensive

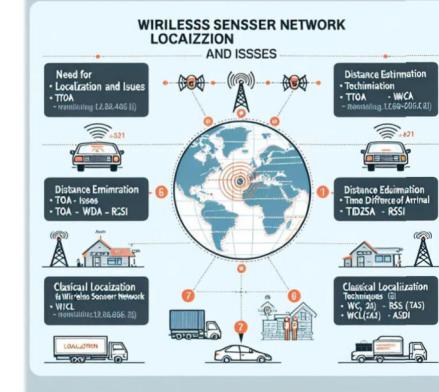
Sensors are distributed randomly

Locating sensors is important to make sense of the data being recorded

Importance of localisation



Asset Tracking





Locating a sensor

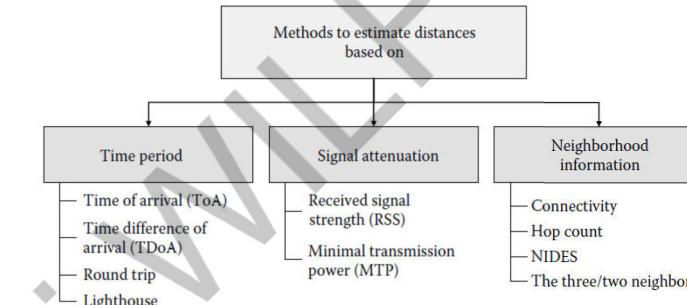
GPS/GLONASS based system

- Costly and not energy efficient
- Size a constraint

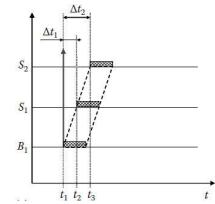
Use sensors themselves to perform location detection

- Use beacons

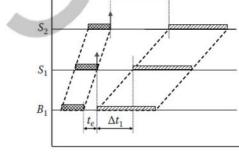
Distance estimation



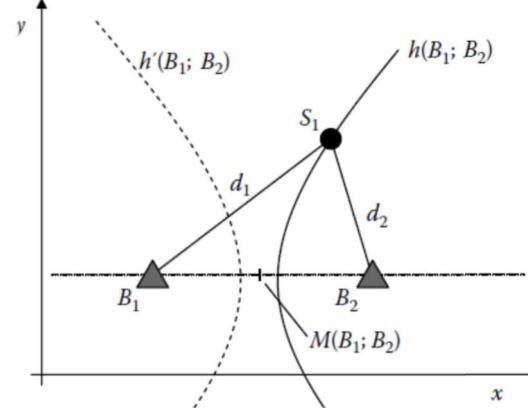
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Legend:
Radio signal (dotted line)
Ultrasound signal (solid line)
Synchronization time (arrow)



TDoA





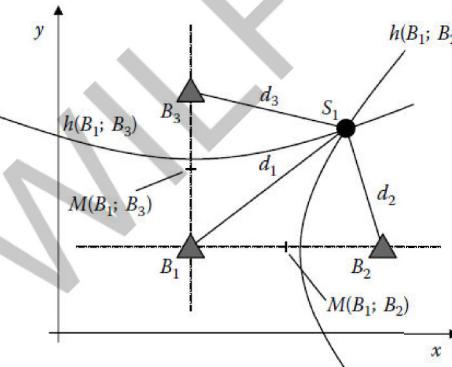
TDoA

$$\Delta d = \Delta t \cdot c = d_1 - d_2$$

Sensor located on Hyperbola

$$1 = \frac{\sqrt{(x - x_1)^2 + (y - y_1)^2}}{\Delta d} - \frac{\sqrt{(x - x_2)^2 + (y - y_2)^2}}{\Delta d}$$

TDoA



TDoA



Benefits of TDoA

Localised
nodes act as
beacons

No additional
beacons
required





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CASE STUDY - 1



TDoA-Based Localization

Scenario Context:

- A forest fire detection system uses WSN to locate a sensor triggered by smoke. Three synchronized anchor nodes record the Time Difference of Arrival (TDoA) of the sensor's signal.

