OPERATING SYSTEMS FOR WIRELESS SENSOR NETWORKS

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Introduction

- WSNs are a special type of distributed network system that is similar to database, real-time, and embedded systems.
- The basic function of WSNs is to collect information and to support certain applications specific to the task of WSN deployment.
- Ommercially available sensor nodes are categorized into four groups

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- Specialized sensing platforms such as the Spec node designed at the University of California—Berkeley. This sensor node has a single chip with low-power low-cost, operation.
- Generic sensing platforms such as Berkeley motes. This node can perform generic sensing tasks.
- High-bandwidth sensing platforms such as iMote. This
 node can handle sensed data flow with high bandwidth.
- Gateway platforms such as Stargate. This node can be used as a sink and can connect low-level senor nodes directly to the Internet.