



Levels of IOT Applications

IOT Level and Deployment Templates

End Device allows :

- *Identification*
- *Remote Sensing*
- *Actuation*
- *Monitoring Capabilities*

IOT system other than end device(s) comprises of multiple virtual & physical components

- *Resource* – Software components
- *Controller Service* – runs on device & interacts with web services
- *Database* – local/cloud; stores data generated by device
- *Applications* – interface to the user for control & monitoring

IOT Application Levels

IOT applications are classified into different levels based on the complexity of the applications and the complexity of the elements used to build them

IOT Level 1

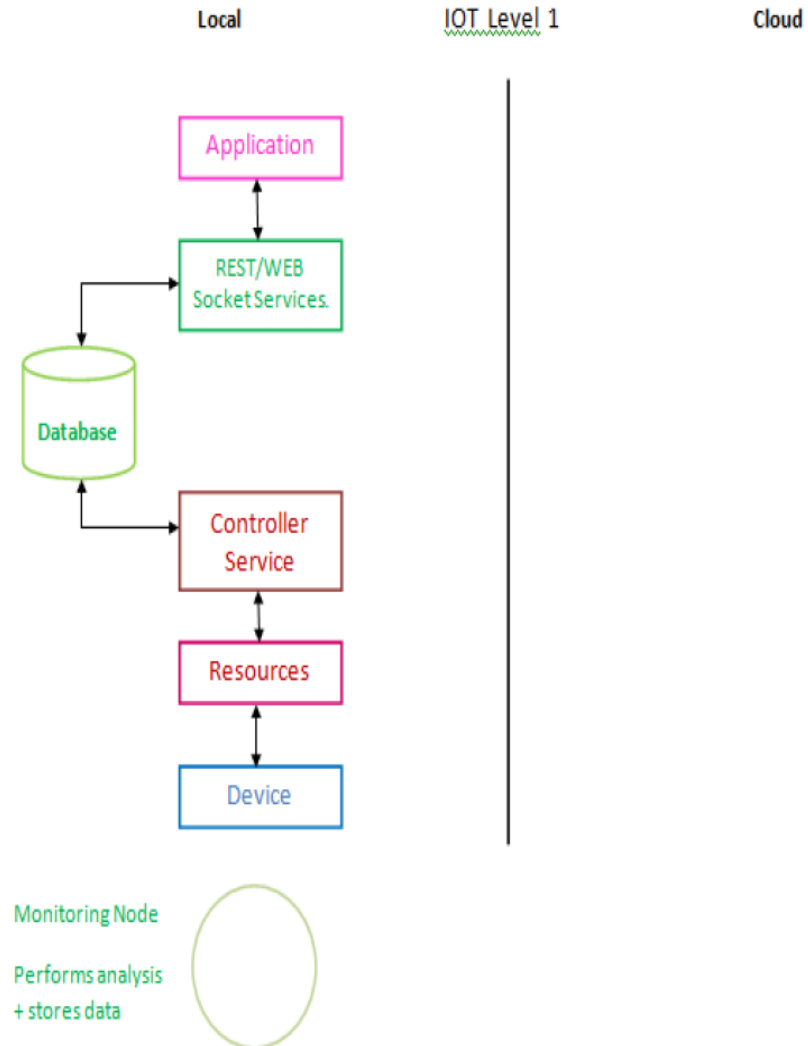


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- Single node/device
- Sensing/Actuation
- Store Data
- Perform Analysis
- Hosts application

Suitable for

- Low cost
- Low complexity
- Where Data is not 'big'
- Analysis not computationally intensive



Example of level-1 IOT system – Home automation



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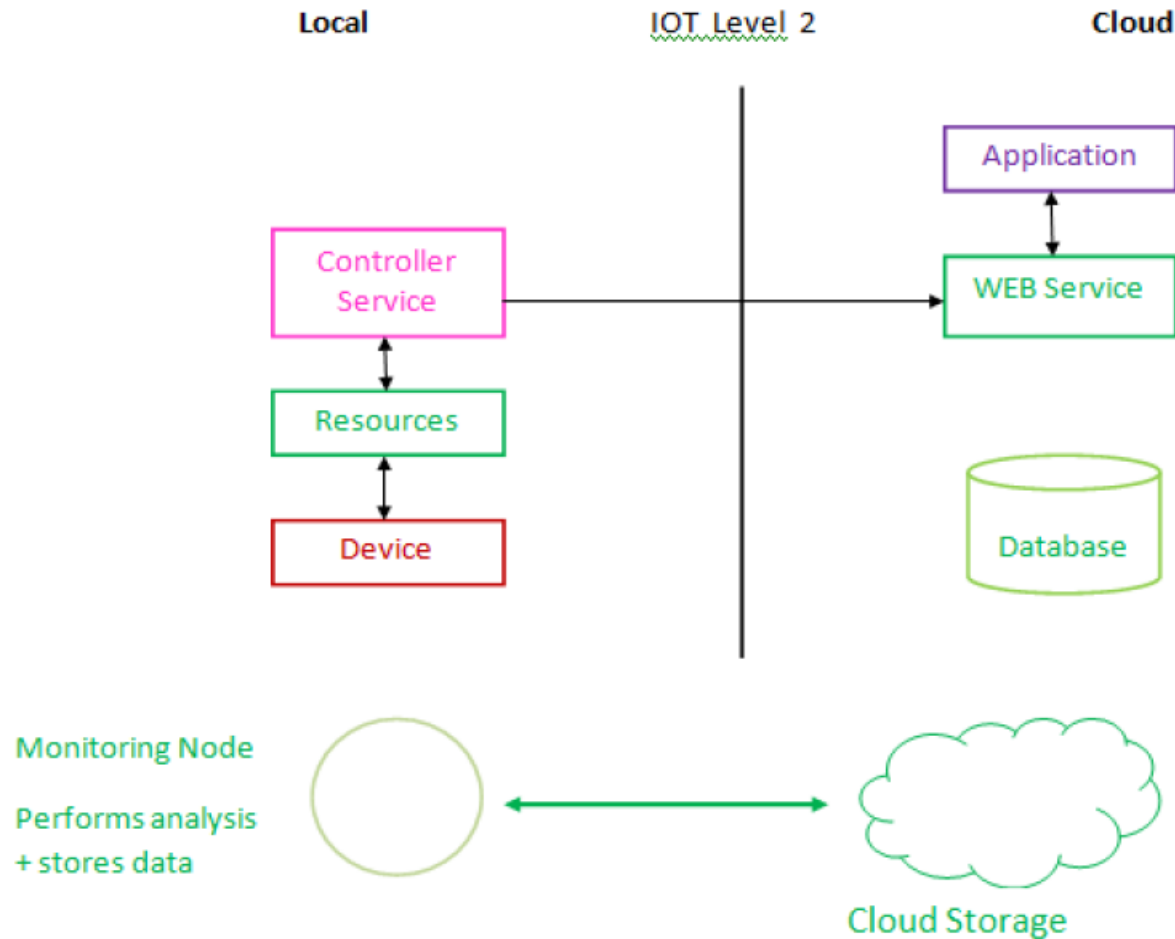
- Single node controlling lights/applications remotely.
- Interfaces using relays
- Status in local database
- REST services deployed locally for database status (retrieving & updating state of each light in database status)
- Controller service to trigger relays
- User interface for controlling lights/applications
- Connected to internet – most rudimentary IOT system

IOT Level 2

- Single big node
- Sensing/actuation/local analysis
- Data stored in cloud
- Cloud based application(usually)

Suitable when

- Data is 'big'
- Primary analysis is not intensive & can be done locally



Example of level 2 IOT system – Smart Irrigation.



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- Single node for monitoring Soil Moisture level and controlling irrigation system.
- Soil/Moisture data from sensors
- Continuous monitoring
- Threshold moisture level for irrigation

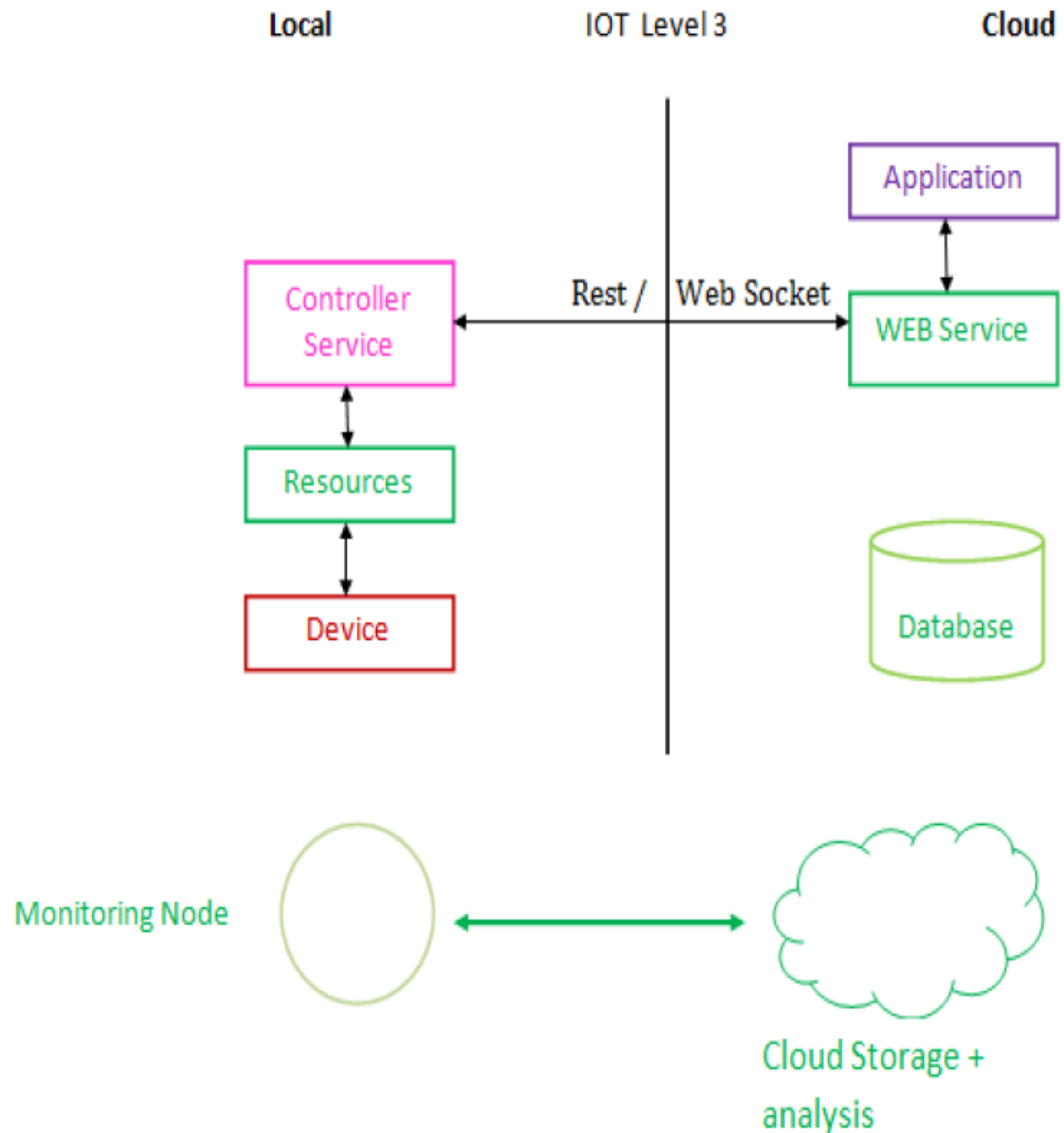
- Actuators – solenoid valves
- Cloud based web service for storing & retrieving moisture data
- Cloud based application for visualizing & making schedules

IOT Level 3

- Single Node
- Cloud based data storage & analysis

Suitable when

- Data is 'big'
- Computationally intensive analysis



Example of level 3 IOT system : Package tracking (single package)

- Single node to monitor vibration levels
- Accelerometer & Gyroscope
- Send sensor data in Real-Time to cloud using web socket service
- Data stored in cloud.
- Data visualized using cloud- based application
- Triggers alerts if vibration levels > threshold

Advantage of using web socket service over REST

- sensor data can be sent in RT to the cloud
- Cloud based applications may subscribe to sensor data feeds for viewing the RT data

IOT level-4

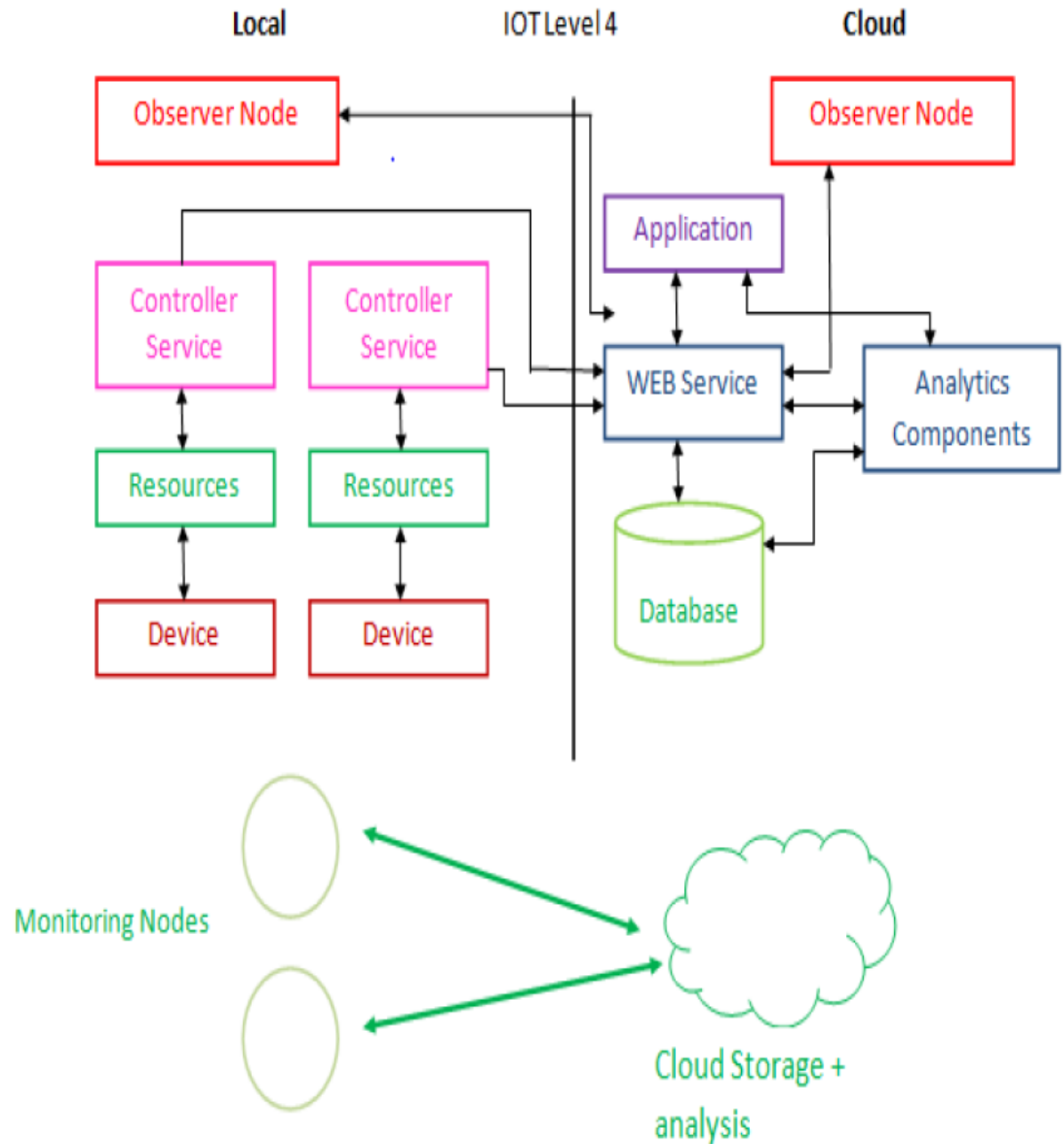
- Multiple Nodes
- Local Analysis
- Data stored in cloud
- Cloud based Application

Observer Nodes

- Local & Cloud based observer nodes
- Process information and use it for various applications.
- Do not perform any control functions

Suitable for

- Multiple nodes required
- Data is 'big'
- Computationally intensive



Example of Level 4 system : Noise Monitoring

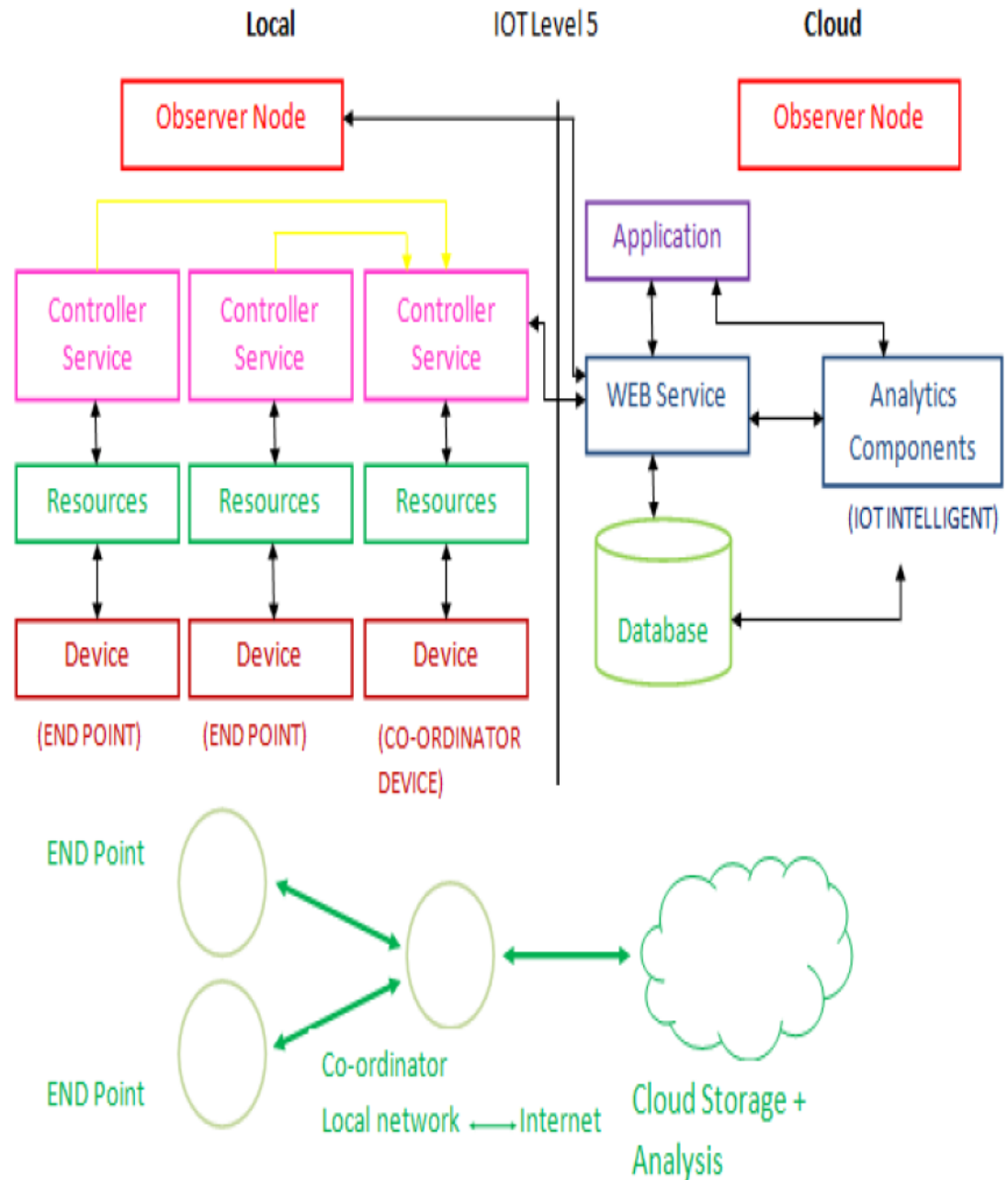
- Multiple nodes in different locations
- Nodes equipped with sound sensors
- Nodes independent of each other- each node runs its own controller service to send data to the cloud.
- Data stored in cloud database.
- Analysis of data from multiple nodes in the cloud.
- Cloud based application for visualizing the aggregated data.

IOT Level – 5

- Multiple end nodes + one coordinator node
- **End nodes :**
Sending/actuation
- **Coordinator node:**
collects data from end nodes and sends to the cloud.
- Data stored & analysed in cloud
- Cloud based application.

Suitable for

- Solutions based on WSN
– data is 'big' & computationally intensive



Example of Level-5 System: Forest Fire Detection

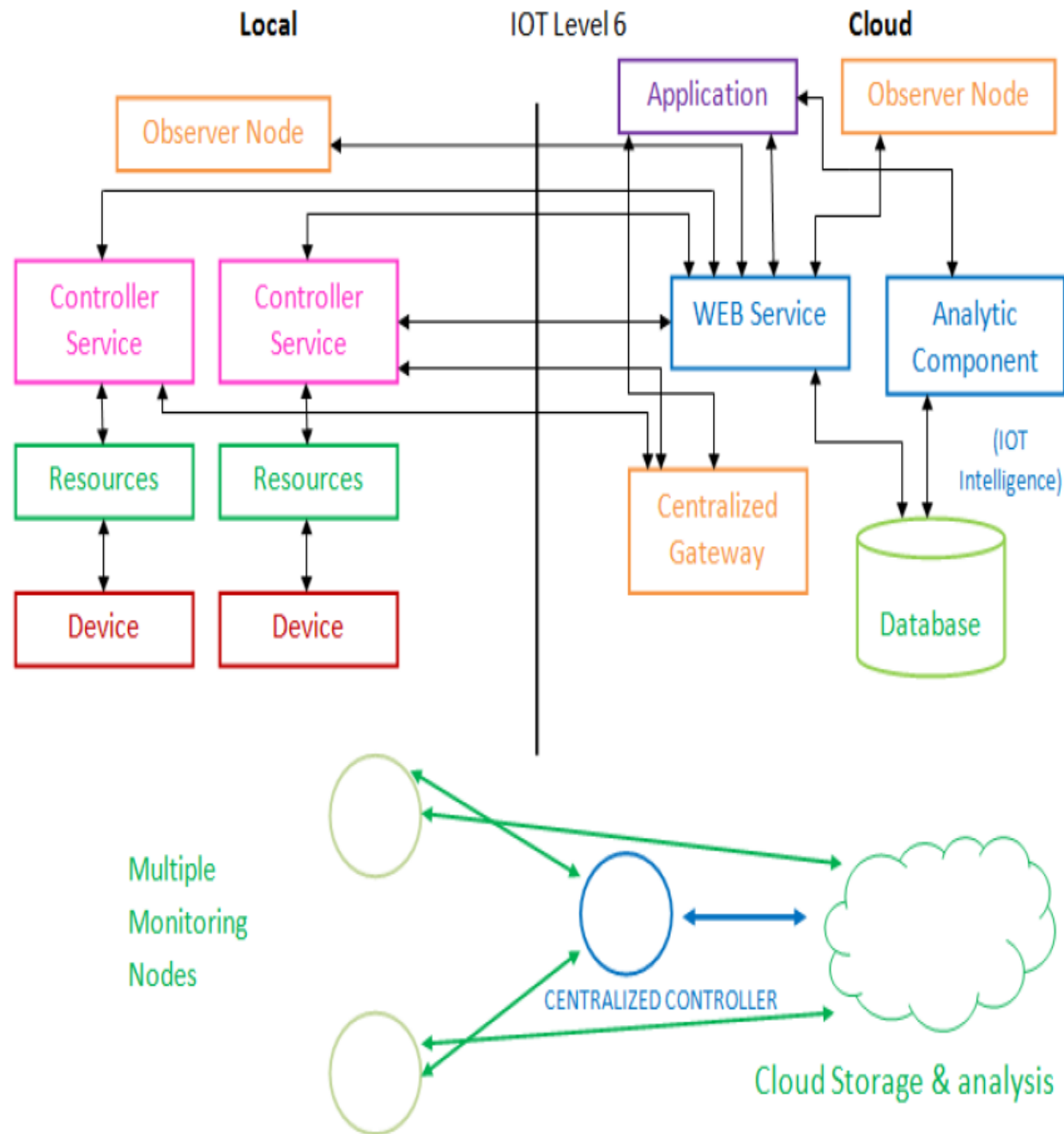
- Multiple nodes in different locations for monitoring temp, humidity, CO₂ in forests.
- Coordinator nodes collect data from end nodes & provide internet connectivity.
- Controller service on coordinator node sends data to the cloud.
- Data stored in cloud database.
- Analysis to aggregate & make predictions.
- Cloud based application for visualizing data.

IOT Level 6

- Multiple independent end nodes
- **End nodes:** sensing, actuation and sending data to the cloud
- Data stored in cloud
- Cloud based application
- Cloud based analytics.
- Results stored in cloud
- Results visualized with cloud based applications.

Centralized cloud based controller :

- aware of the status of all the end nodes
- sends control commands to the nodes.



Example of Level-6 IOT system

- Multiple nodes (end points) at different locations.
- Temperature, Humidity and pressure
- End nodes send data to cloud in RT using web socket service.
- Data stored in cloud.
- Analysis on cloud for predictions.
- Cloud based application for visualizing data

Each node directly connects to the cloud and coordinator is on the cloud.

| Feature | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4 | Level 5 | Level 6 |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Cloud Storage | - | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES |
| Cloud Analysis | - | - | YES | YES | YES | YES |
| Ext Observers | - | - | - | YES | YES | YES |
| Coordinator | - | - | - | - | YES | YES |
| Controller | - | - | - | - | - | YES |

Summary

