

W3C Web of Things Status and Applications

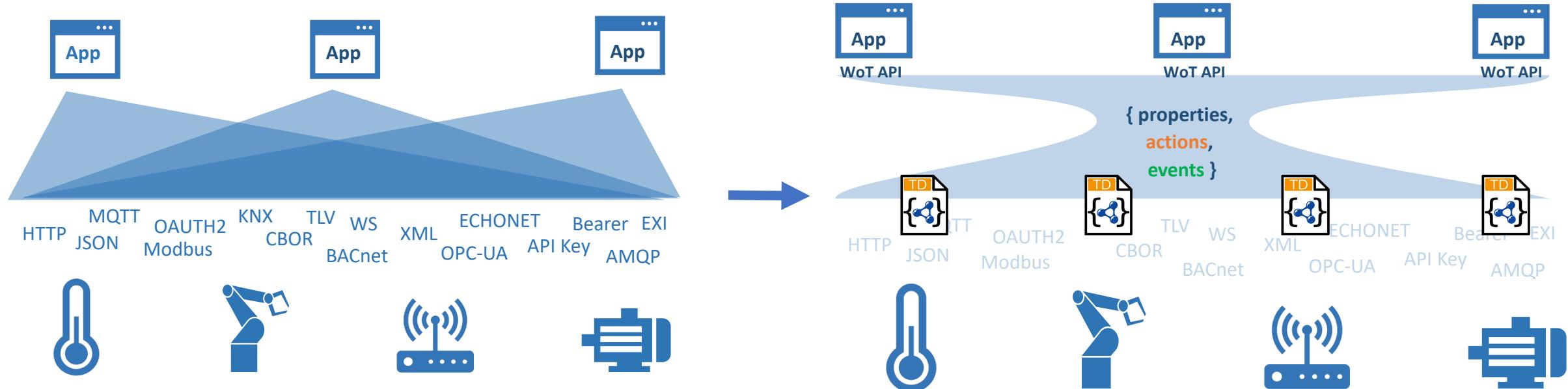
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W3C Web of Things (WoT)

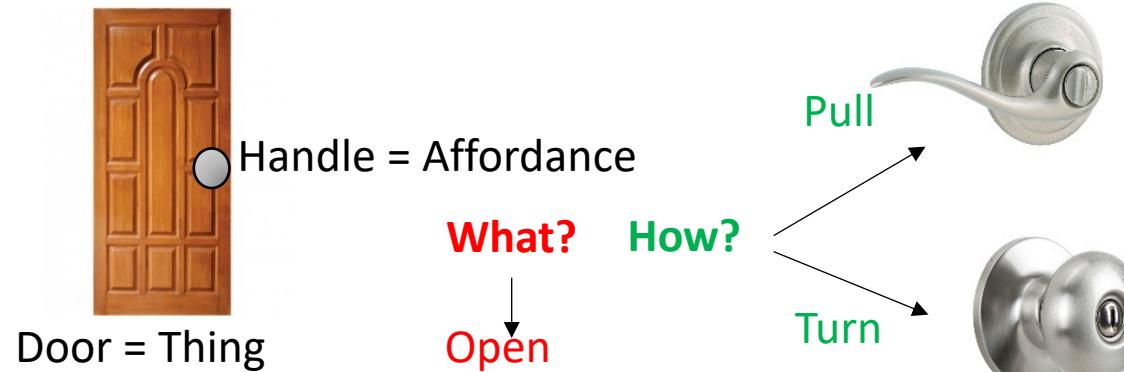
- W3C Working Group goal: Adapting web technologies to IoT
- Already published: Thing Description (TD) metadata format
 - TD describes the available interactions (network API) of a Thing
- New deliverables in progress, including Discovery and Profiles
 - How does a potential consumer obtain the TD for a Thing?
 - What constraints on TDs are appropriate for best practices and interoperability?



Descriptive Interoperability: TDs

WoT Architecture

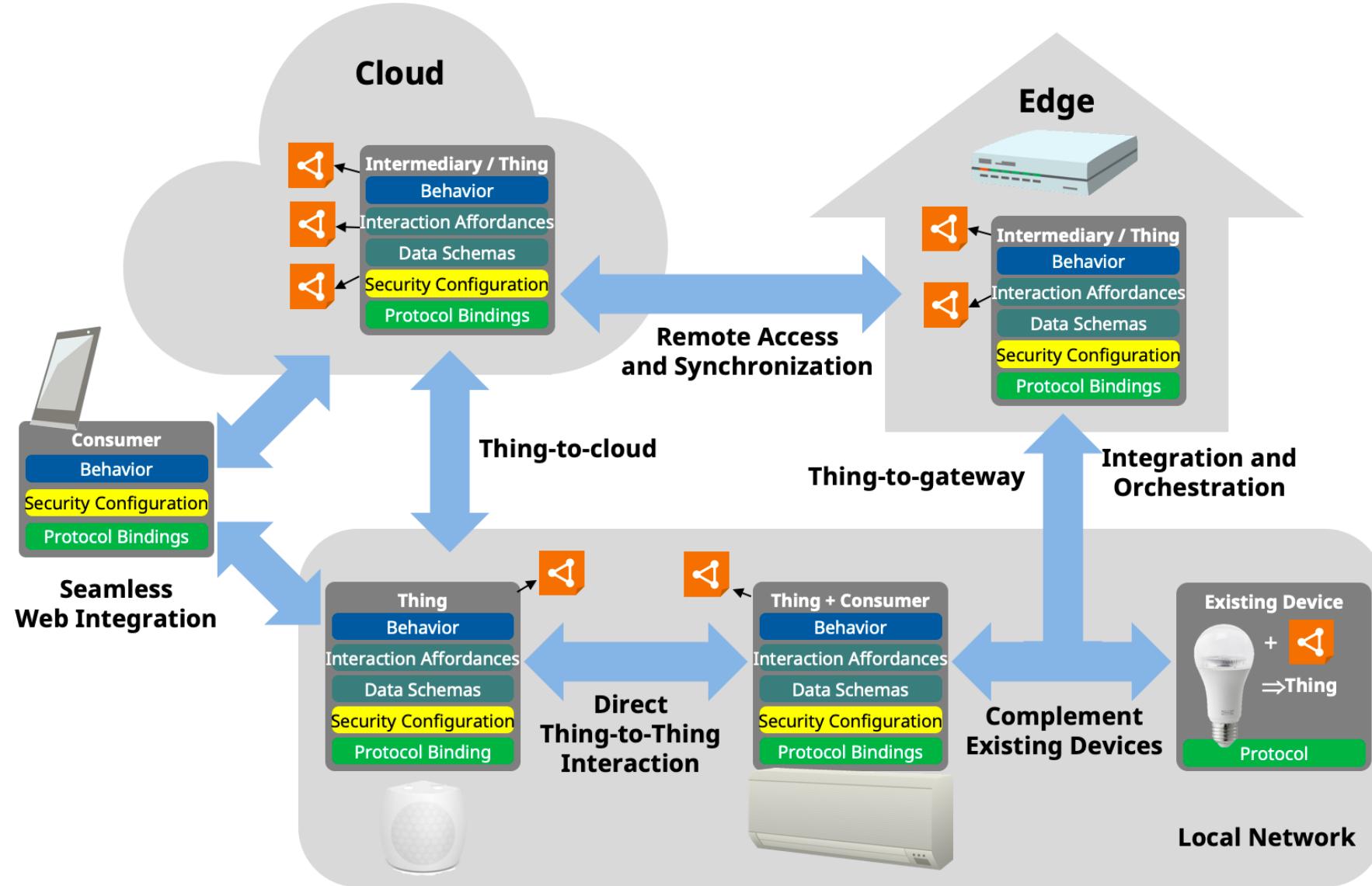
- Constraints
 - "Things" must have a TD
 - Must use URIs, IANA media types, etc.
- Thing Description Affordances
 - Describes **WHAT** the possible choices are
 - Describes **HOW** to interact with the Thing



WoT Thing Description (TD)

```
{
  "@context": [
    "https://www.w3.org/2022/wot/td/v1.1",
    { "iot": "http://iotschema.org/" }
  ],
  "id": "urn:dev:org:32473:1234567890",
  "title": "MyLEDThing",
  "description": "RGB LED torchiere",
  "@type": [ "Thing", "iot:Light" ],
  "securityDefinitions": {
    "default": { "scheme": "bearer" }
  },
  "security": [ "default" ],
  "properties": {
    "brightness": {
      "@type": [ "iot:Brightness" ],
      "type": "integer",
      "minimum": 0,
      "maximum": 100,
      "forms": [ ... ]
    }
  },
  "actions": {
    "fadeIn": {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

Usage Patterns Overview



Deliverables

New/Updated Normative Documents:

- Architecture 1.1: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-architecture>
- Thing Description 1.1: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-thing-description>
- Discovery: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-discovery>
- Profiles: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-profile>

New/Updated Informative Documents:

- Binding Templates: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-binding-templates>
- Scripting API: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-scripting-api>
- Use Cases and Requirements: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-usecases>

Community Resources:

- Web Site: <https://www.w3.org/WoT/>

Use Cases and Requirements

Informative Deliverable: <https://github.com/w3c/wot-usecases>

Purpose and Process:

- Identify specific use cases
- Identify application domains
 - Collect use cases from other W3C groups
 - Collect use cases from other stakeholders and SDOs
- Identify usage patterns
 - For example, hubs, proxies, automation, etc.
- Identify relevant technologies
 - For example, edge computing, digital twins, etc.

→ Extract common requirements to drive current and future work

Profiles

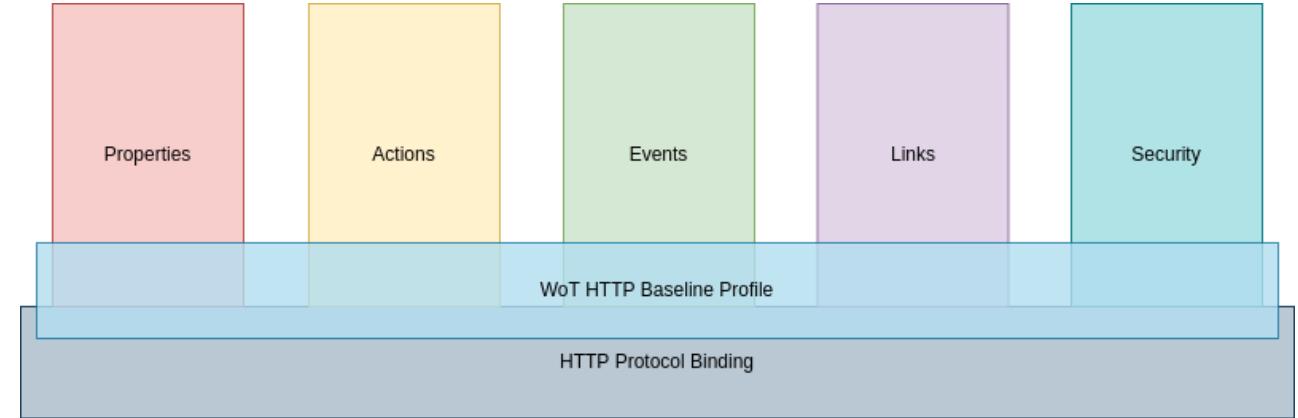
Set of constraints to:

- Improve interoperability
- Define best practices

- ***Prescriptive***

- Why:

- TDs are descriptive
 - Some devices that need to be described do not follow best practices, e.g. for security
- TDs are extensible
 - To interoperate device manufacturers need to know in advance what to expect

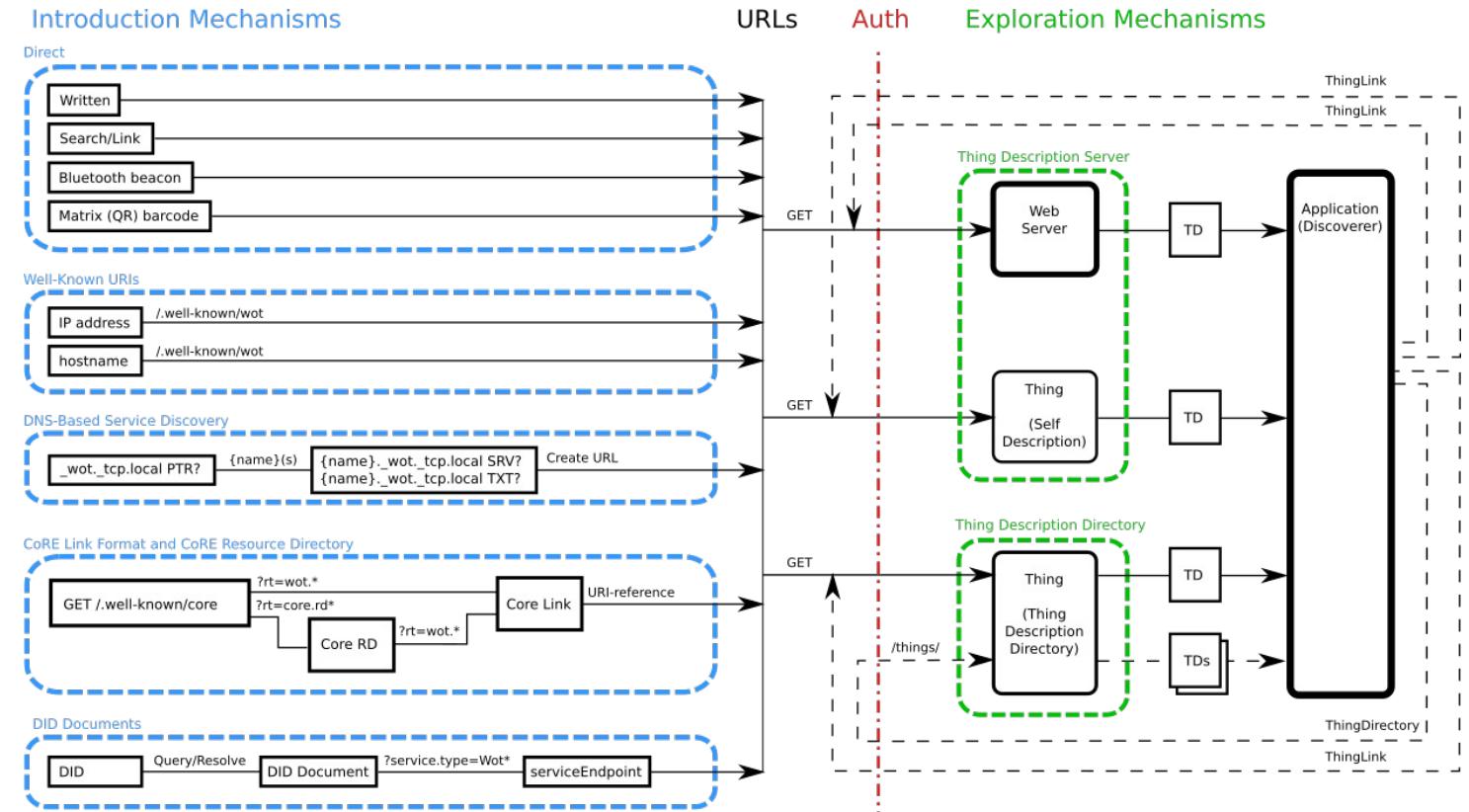


- Currently focused on HTTP Baseline Profile and two sub-profiles for SSE and WebHook Event mechanisms
- TDs satisfying profile set "profile" member and must follow constraints of profile
- Things and Consumers that implement profile also need to satisfy a set of other assertions

Discovery

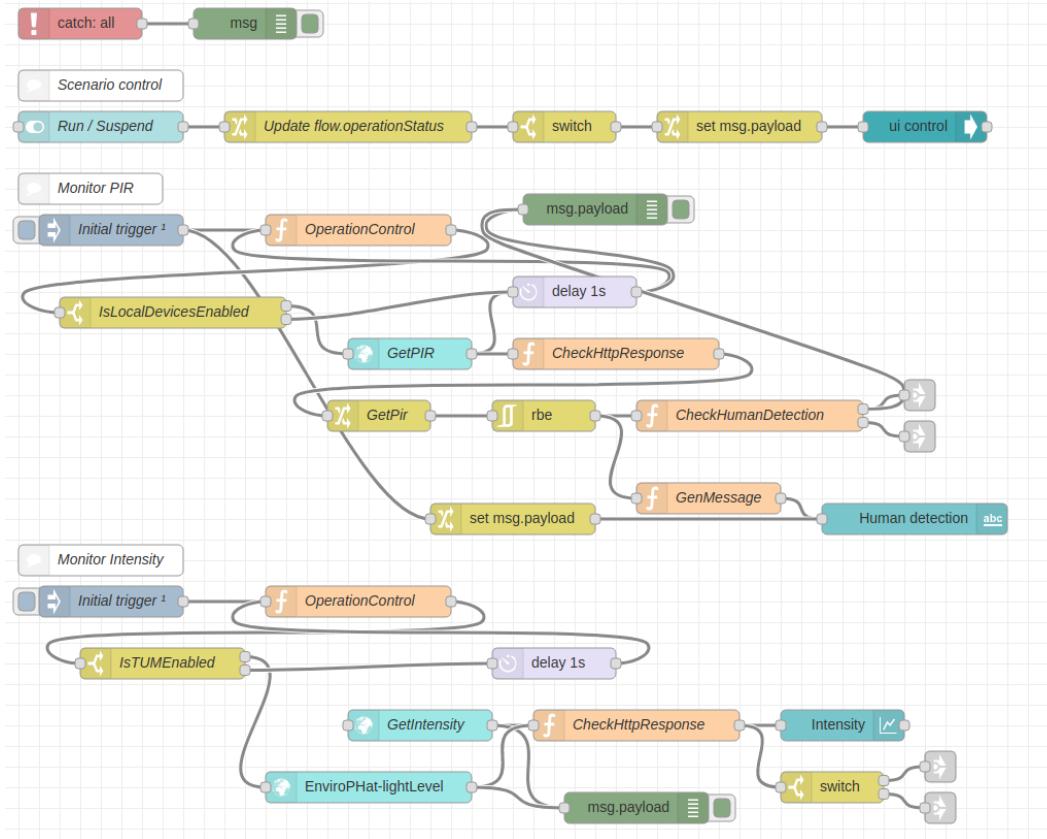
Goal: Obtain TD of interest

- Not limited to local network
- Scalable to many TDs
- Need to preserve privacy
- Phased access:
 1. Introduction: open
 2. Exploration: controlled
- Searchable via JSON Path, XPath, or SPARQL
- Future work:
 - Find "nearby" Things using geospatial data



Orchestration

Node-RED/node-gen



node-wot/Scripting API

```
WoTHelpers.fetch( "coap://localhost:5683/counter" ).then( async (td) => {  
  // using await for serial execution (note 'async' in then() of fetch())  
  try {  
    const thing = await WoT.consume(td);  
    console.info( "==== TD ===" );  
    console.info(td);  
    console.info( "=====+" );  
  } catch (err) {  
    console.error( "Script error:", err );  
  }  
}).catch( (err) => { console.error( "Fetch error:", err );});
```



```
// read property #1  
const read1 = await thing.readProperty( "count" );  
console.info( "count value is" , await read1.value());  
  
// increment property #1 (without step)  
await thing.invokeAction( "increment" );  
const inc1 = await thing.readProperty( "count" );  
console.info( "count value after increment #1 is" , await inc1.value());  
  
// increment property #2 (with step)  
await thing.invokeAction( "increment" , {step: 3});  
const inc2 = await thing.readProperty( "count" );  
console.info( "count value after increment #2 (w/ step 3) is" , await inc2.value());  
  
// decrement property  
await thing.invokeAction( "decrement" , undefined, {  
  formIndex: getFormIndexForDecrementWithCoAP(thing);  
});  
const dec1 = await thing.readProperty( "count" );  
console.info( "count value after decrement is" , await dec1.value());  
  
} catch(err) {  
  console.error( "Script error:", err );  
}  
}).catch( (err) => { console.error( "Fetch error:", err );});
```

Recent Activity

- Testing new Candidate Recommendations
 - <https://github.com/w3c/wot-testing/tree/main/events>
- New Commercial Usages
 - Takenaka Construction, Netzo, Siemens, Deutsch Telekom, Ditto, ...
- Directory Implementations
 - WoT Hive, LogiLab (SPARQL based), Fraunhofer LinkSmart, TinyIoT, Zion
- IETF Relationships: JSON Path, CoreRD, COSE/JOSE, ASDF
- Under Discussion:
 - New Charter: New Deliverables, Updates to existing specifications, Liaisons
 - Geolocation, Onboarding, Historical data: [proposals/deliverable-proposals](#)

Applications



<https://www.takenaka.co.jp/news/2021/05/02/>

Takenaka Corporation

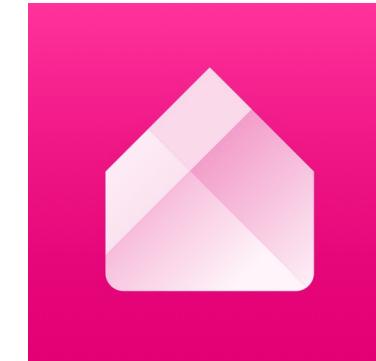
- CGLL Platform - BIM



<https://netzo.io/>

Netzo

- IoT Data Hub
- Dashboards



<https://www.smarthome.de/magentazuhause-app>

Deutsche Telekom AG

- Smart Home
- App/Hub/Cloud



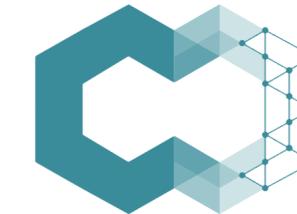
<https://new.siemens.com/global/en/products/buildings/automation/design.html>

<https://www.evosoftware.com/en/digitalization-offering/saywot/>

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Siemens AG

- Desigo CC – BIM
- Asset Performance Suite
- Say WoT! (Evosoftware)
- Wunsiedel (H_2 Generation plant)



ditto

<https://www.eclipse.org/ditto/2022-03-03-wot-integration.html>

- Eclipse (Bosch, Siemens, ...)
- Digital twin

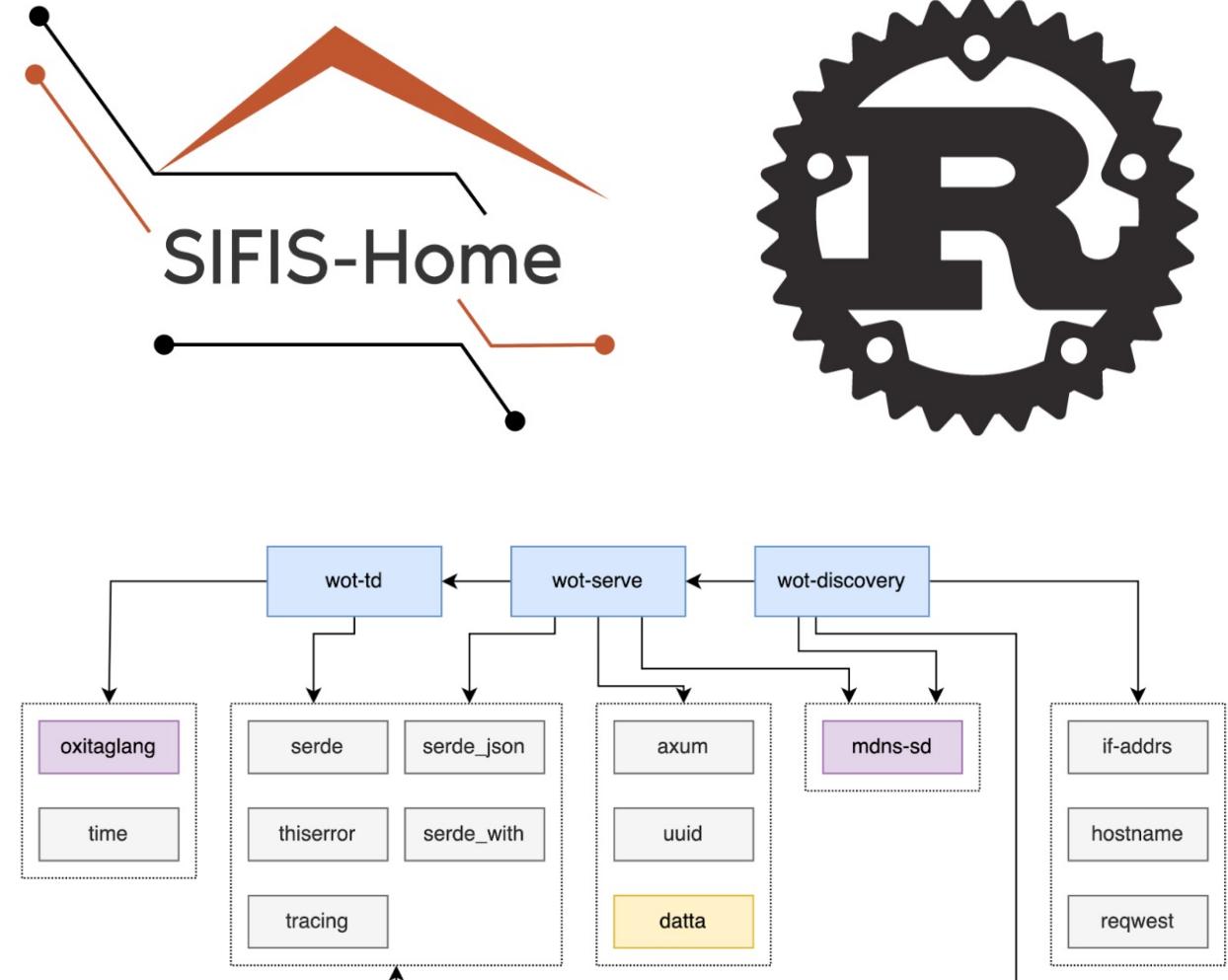


<https://www.sifis-home.eu/>

- Horizon 2020 Project
- Trustworthy Connected Home

SIFIS Home

- Horizon 2020 Project
 - <https://www.sifis-home.eu/>
- Secure and trustworthy full-stack internet of things for Smart Home
- Open Standards
- Using Rust to avoid memory bugs
- wot-rust implementation



SIFIS Home

```
.property("on", lb1 {
    b.finish_extend_data_schema()
    .atttype("OnOffProperty")
    .title("On/Off")
    .description("Whether the lamp is turned on")
    .form(lb1 {
        b.href("/properties/on")
        .http_get(get_on_property)
        .http_put(put_on_property)
        .op(wot_td::thing::FormOperation::ReadProperty)
        .op(wot_td::thing::FormOperation::WriteProperty)
    })
    .bool()
}
.property("brightness", lb1 {
    b.finish_extend_data_schema()
    .atttype("BrightnessProperty")
    .title("Brightness")
    .description("The level of light from 0-100")
    .form(lb1 {
        b.href("/properties/brightness")
        .http_get(get_brightness_property)
        .http_put(put_brightness_property)
        .op(wot_td::thing::FormOperation::ReadProperty)
        .op(wot_td::thing::FormOperation::WriteProperty)
    })
    .integer()
    .minimum(0)
}
```

```
"properties": {
  "brightness": {
    "@type": "BrightnessProperty",
    "description": "The level of light from 0-100",
    "forms": [
      {
        "href": "/properties/brightness",
        "op": [
          "readproperty",
          "writeproperty"
        ]
      }
    ],
    "maximum": 100,
    "minimum": 0,
    "readOnly": false,
    "title": "Brightness",
    "type": "integer",
    "unit": "percent",
    "writeOnly": false
  },
  "on": {
    "@type": "OnOffProperty",
    "description": "Whether the lamp is turned on",
    "forms": [
      {
        "href": "/properties/on",
        "op": [
          "readproperty",
          "writeproperty"
        ]
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

```
Running `target/debug/lamp`
2022-09-19T16:39:22.278330Z DEBUG mdns_sd::service_daemon: new socket bind to 0.0.0.0:5353
2022-09-19T16:39:22.278714Z DEBUG lamp: listening on 0.0.0.0:3000
2022-09-19T16:39:22.299215Z DEBUG mdns_sd::service_daemon: register service ServiceInfo { ty_domain: "_wot._tcp.local.", sub_domain: None, fullname: "mybf2faf3139540509dbecfb1207666c._wot._tcp.local.", server: "enyo.lan.local", addresses: [192.168.1.212], port: 3000, host_ttl: 120, other_ttl: 4500, priority: 0, weight: 0, properties: {"td": "/.well-known/wot", "type": "Thing"}, last_update: 1663605562278 }
2022-09-19T16:39:22.299344Z DEBUG mdns_sd::service_daemon: broadcast service mybf2faf3139540509dbecfb1207666c._wot._tcp.local.
```

Timestamp	A/R	Flags	if	Domain	Service Type	Instance Name
18:40:34.086	Add	3	6	local.	_wot..tcp.	mybd729b6943214caeb527e15626162967
18:40:34.086	Add	2	6	local.	_wot..tcp.	mybf2faf3139540509dbecfb1207666c

MagentaZuhause App

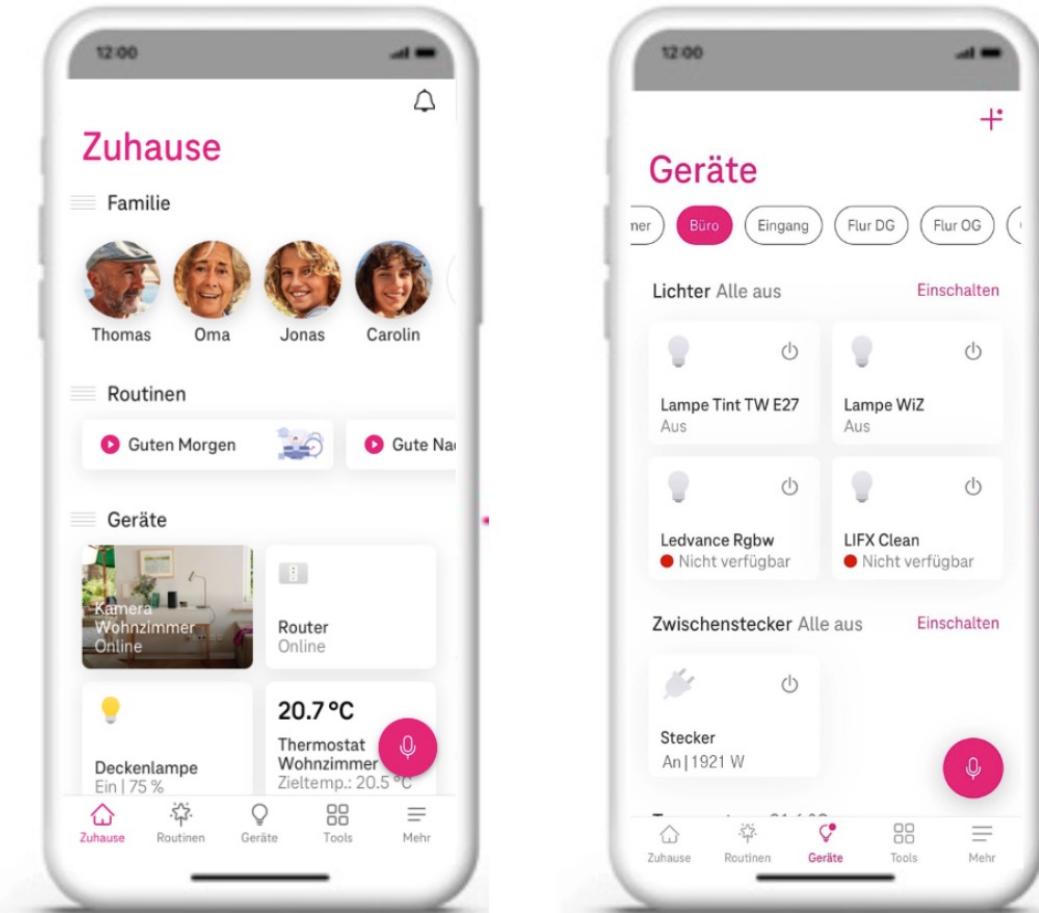
We help you create a connected home that takes care of the people and things inside.

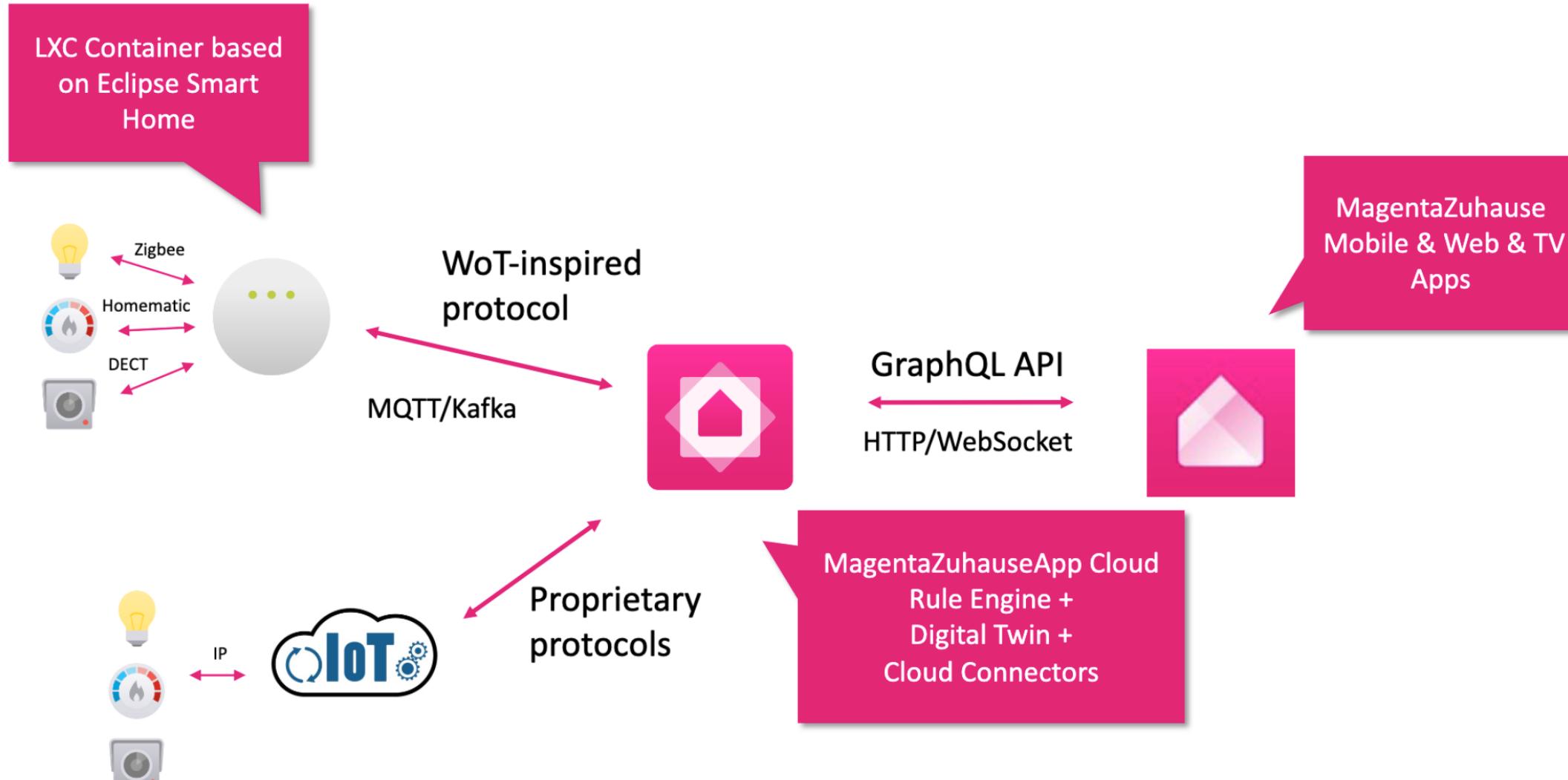


Good & safe family life
 Take care of your loved ones and manage everyday family coordination with ease.



Smarter home
 Gain security and comfort for your home.

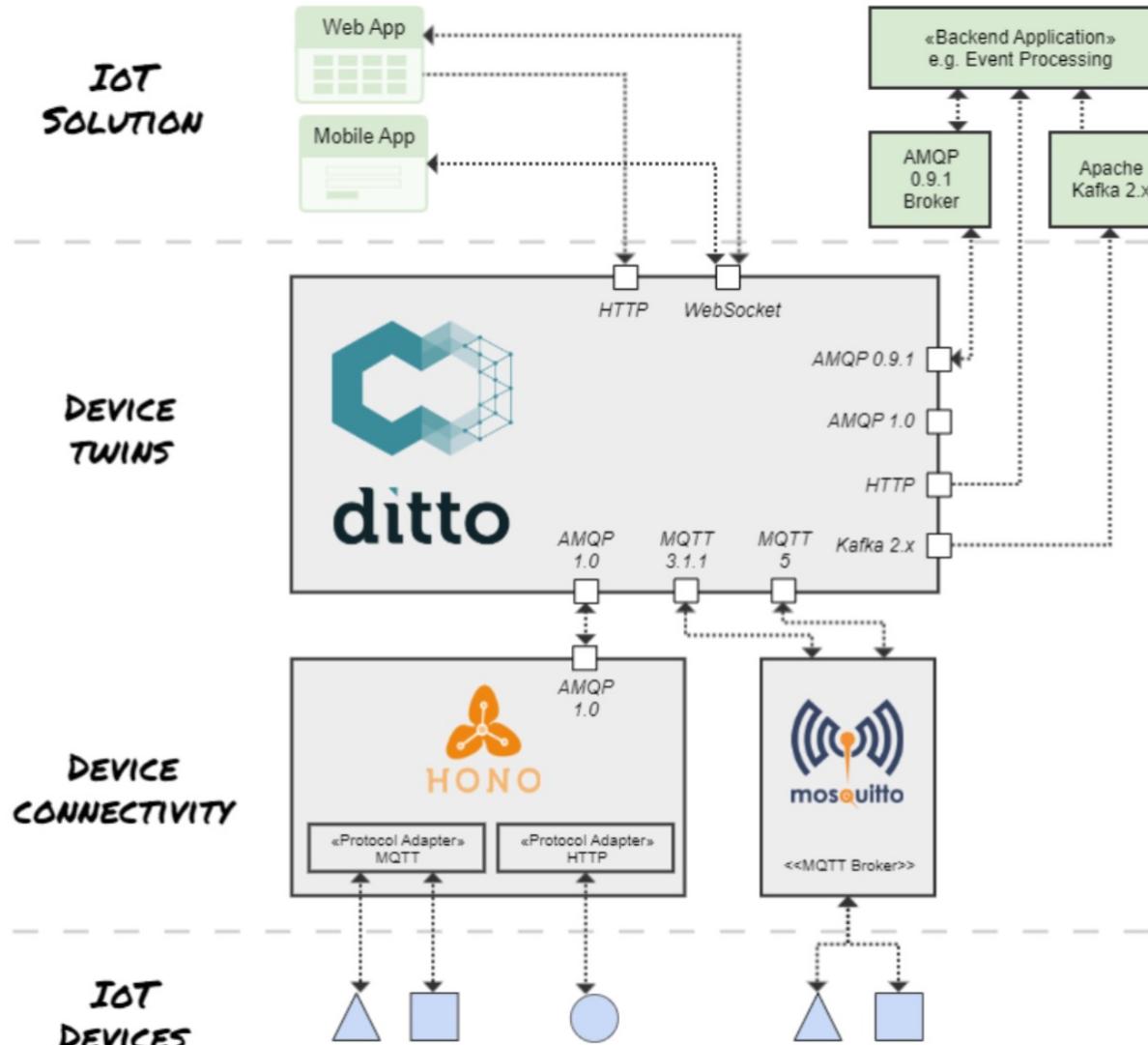




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Eclipse Ditto



Ditto as
Digital Twin
"middleware"

Eclipse Ditto

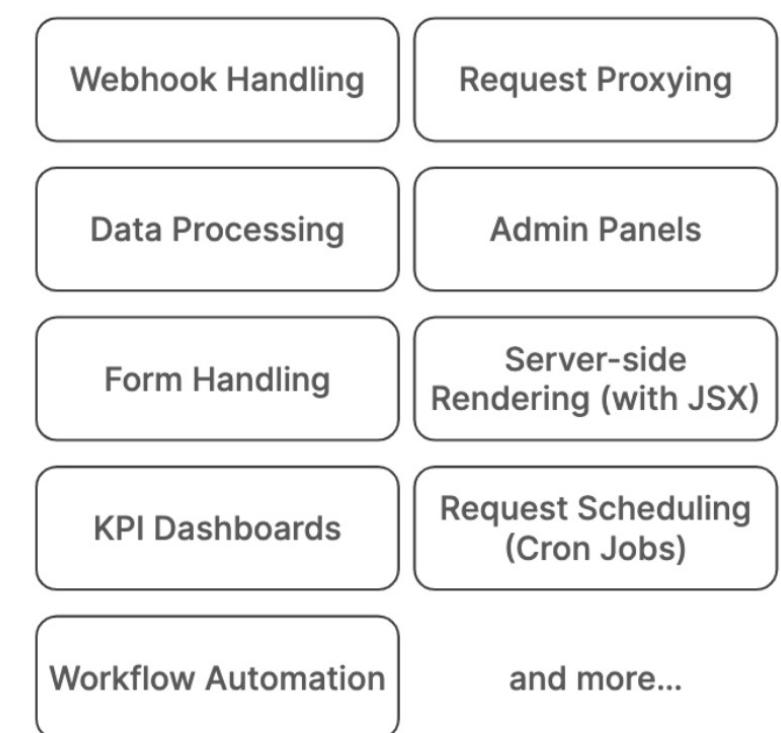
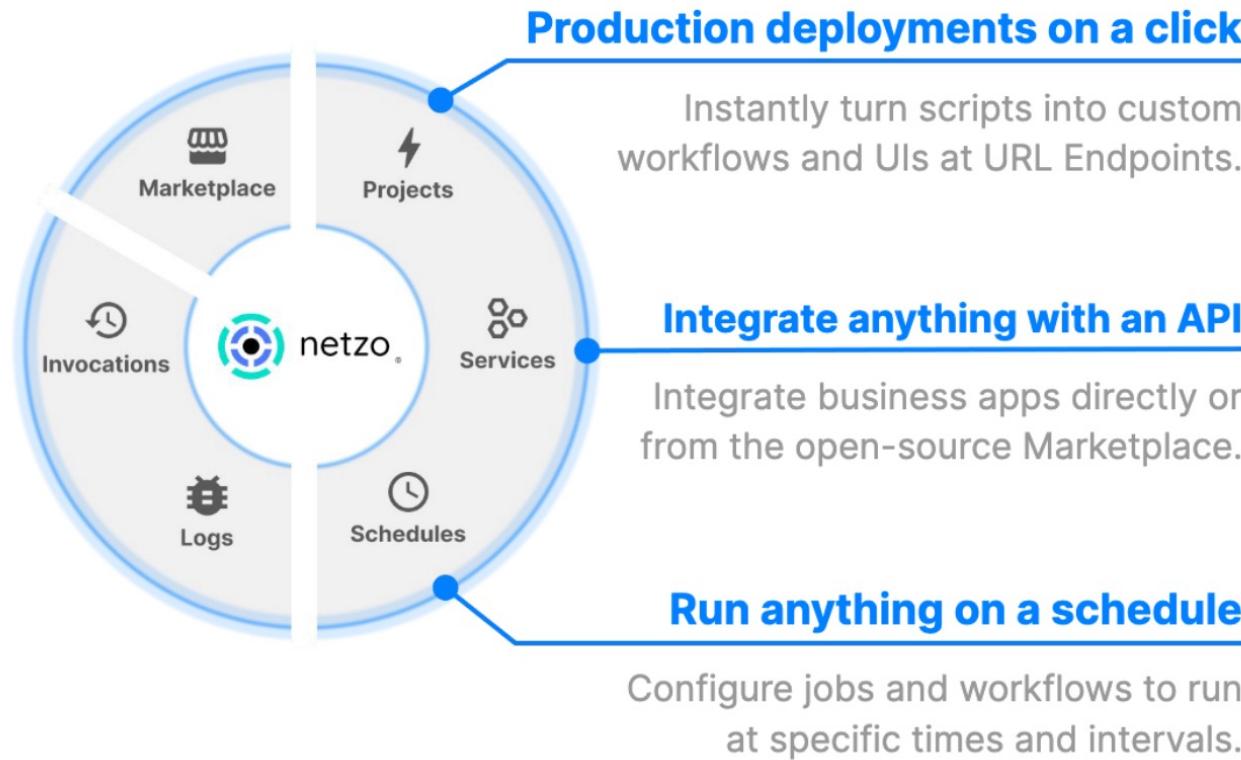
- Ditto downloads and caches referenced TMs during runtime
- resolving extensions via `tm:extends` and imports via `tm:ref`, Thing level compositions via `tm:submodel` and TM placeholders
- Ditto generates TDs, injecting forms with HTTP API endpoints

```
curl -u ditto:ditto \
  'https://ditto.eclipseprojects.io/api/2/things/io.eclipseprojects.ditto:floor-lamp-0815' \
  -H 'Accept: application/td+json'

{
  "@context": ["https://www.w3.org/2022/wot/td/v1.1", ...],
  "title": "Floor Lamp",
  "@type": "Thing",
  "id": "urn:io.eclipseprojects.ditto:floor-lamp-0815",
  "base": "https://ditto.eclipseprojects.io/api/2/things/io.eclipseprojects.ditto:floor-lamp-0815",
  "version": {"model": "1.0.0", "instance": "1.0.0"},
  "links": [
    {
      "rel": "type",
      "href": "https://eclipse.github.io/ditto-examples/wot/models/floor-lamp-1.0.0.tm.jsonld",
      "type": "application/tm+json"
    },
    {
      "rel": "item",
      "type": "application/td+json",
      "href": "/features/Spot1"
    }
  ],
  "security": "basic_sc",
  "securityDefinitions": {"basic_sc": {"in": "header", "scheme": "basic"}},
  "forms": [{"op": "readAllProperties", "href": "/attributes{?channel,timeout}", "htv:methodName": "GET", "contentType": "application/json"}]
}
```

Netzo

Deploy JavaScript and TypeScript to URL endpoints instantly. Connect essential APIs, automate processes and build tools faster, without managing infrastructure.



Netzo

 Marketplace

Marketplace items are ready-made solutions for specific use-cases. Anything you find here is public and you are free to fork into any or your Workspaces. When you fork an item, a copy is created so you can go ahead and make changes. Forked items will count normally for your Workspace usage.

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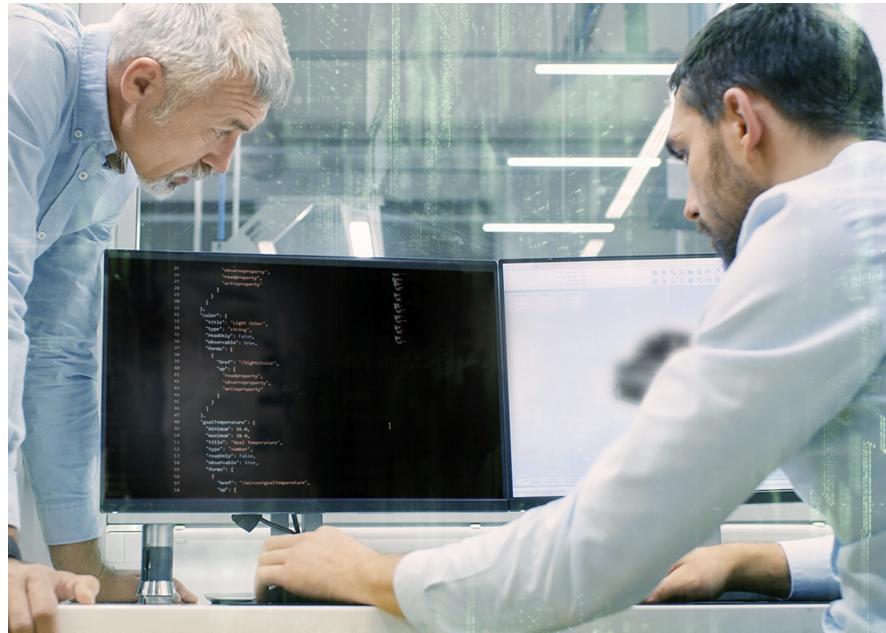
Siemens – Desigo CC

Building Information Management (BIM)

- View status in context of 3D model
- Security
- Energy Efficiency
- Maintenance management



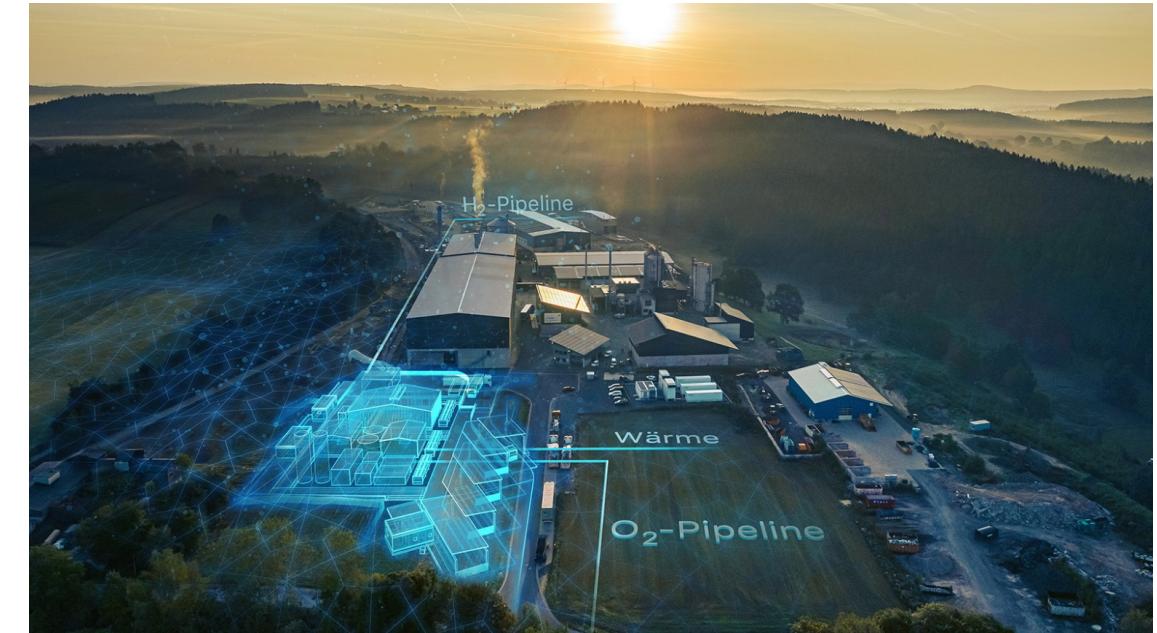
Siemens - EvoSoft



SayWoT!

<https://www.evosoftware.com/en/digitalization-offering/saywot/>

Thing Models, Thing Descriptions, Protocol adapters...



Wunsiedel H₂ Generation Plant

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Application of SayWoT to cloud integration

Discussion: Open Problems/Next Steps

- GIS Integration
 - Geospatial data and discovery
- Data Management
 - Digital Twins and shadows
 - Event and action modelling
 - Data management
- Security
 - Key provisioning and onboarding
 - Secure LAN access
 - Proxy services
 - Access control and ad-hoc sharing
 - MUDS
- Accessibility
 - Sensory modality mapping
 - Textual/descriptive interfaces
 - Service location
 - Mobility services
- Advanced Use Cases
 - Transportation
 - Logistics
 - Distributed energy management
 - AR visualization
 - Analytics integration e.g. for health and safety monitoring

Resources and Contacts

<https://www.w3.org/WoT>

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