## Laboratory 9: Using AWS to Collect xDot data Instructor: Young H. Cho T.A.: Arthur Win Due Nov 2 at 11:59 PM (Report), Nov 4 at 11:59 PM (Video)

- 1. Connect the antenna to the conduit and the 9V adapter to a power source to the conduit.
- 2. Make a connection with the ethernet cable from the conduit to your PC.
- 3. Once the connection is established. Open a web browser on your PC and go to 192.168.2.1 (the default IP address for the gateway).
- 4. Log in to the GUI, the default username:password is admin:admin. In case these credentials fail, try resetting the device. (You can also ssh admin@19.168.2.1. The password is admin)
- 5. If you login for the first time you will be guided through an initial setup, configure the network interface that is connected to the conduit to be a static IP address with 192.168.2.2 192.168.2.254
- 6. Click on LoRaWAN-> Network Settings to the left and change the mode to Network Server. Add changes to the configuration as so:
  - a. Channel Plan: US915
  - b. Frequency Band: 7
  - c. Network Mode: Public LoRaWAN
  - d. Join Delay: 5

Hit Submit.

- 7. Navigate to LoRaWAN-> Key Management. Under Location select Local Keys. In Settings change the configuration to:
  - a. Enabled: True
  - b. Network ID: Name
  - c. Name: <Any valid name with min 8 chars>
  - d. Passphrase: <Any valid name with min 8 chars>

Hit Submit.

- 8. Restart the LoRaWAN and under LoRaWAN-> Network Settings, the status of network server should be green/running
- 9. Now navigate to Apps and enable Node-Red Apps. Launch Node-Red and wait for the browser to load (Please be patient, the browser might reload multiple times).
- 10. If asked for the login details enter the default login credentials. The page should load to something like:



11. From Input Section to the left drag the lora node/block to the flow. An instance of the lora node will be created on the flow screen. And from the output section drag the debug node to the flow. Connect both the nodes as shown below. I hope you get the basic idea:



- 12. Open the debug window on the right and click on Deploy to the top.
- 13. Let us join the network and try sending a message. For that I am making use of the AT commands which you can find here: <a href="https://www.multitech.com/documents/publications/reference-guides/s000643.pdf">https://www.multitech.com/documents/publications/reference-guides/s000643.pdf</a>
- 14. First we need the AT command firmware to be uploaded to the xDot, so browse to xDot Mbed and navigate to Example Programs under Table of Contents. Link: <a href="https://os.mbed.com/platforms/MTS-xDot-L151CC/#example-programs">https://os.mbed.com/platforms/MTS-xDot-L151CC/#example-programs</a>
  Import the Dot-AT-Firmware, change name if needed and click import.
- 15. Before compiling the firmware, you need to import the xDot library in order to communicate with peripherals on-board. So navigate to LoRa Stack (libxDot) under Table of Contents: Scroll down to find the libxDot-mbed5 and click on import library. <a href="https://os.mbed.com/platforms/MTS-xDot-L151CC/#lora-stack-libxdot">https://os.mbed.com/platforms/MTS-xDot-L151CC/#lora-stack-libxdot</a>
- 16. The browser will redirect you to the IDE but now instead of importing the tree as program import it as a library and select the Target Path to the Dot-AT-Firmware( or the project name you specified while importing the Dot-AT-Firmware program). Also make sure you select to update all sub-libraries to the latest revision and select import.
- 17. Compile the Dot-AT-Firmware program and copy the bin file to the xDot (Make sure the transmission did not fail). Open a serial connection to the USB UART (**not the debug port**) with a baud of 115200 (or the baud you specified for serial communication in main.cpp). Hit the reset

button on the xDot and type AT. The xDot must return an OK which determines successful connection and a working AT firmware.

18. Now let's configure the network parameters on the xDot using the AT commands.

```
at+ni=1,<The name of the Lora network provided in step 6> at+nk=1,<The passphrase for the Lora network provided in step 6> at+fsb=7 at+jd=5 at&w atz at+join at+send=Hello
```

```
at+ni=1, multitech123
Set Network Name: multitech123
at+nk=1,multitech123
Set Network Passphrase: multitech123
at+fsk=7
Command not found!
ERROR
at+fsb=7
OK
at
at+jd=5
OK
at&w
OK
atz
OK
at+join
Successfully joined network
at+send=Hello
```

19. If you navigate back to the Node-Red app you will see the Hello message under the Debug window to the right.



- 20. And for the last part we will be sending the data collected to the LoRa conduit and check the output on the Node-Red debug window.
- 21. For the LoRa configuration on the xDot, use the xDot Examples program OTA Example skeleton. Navigate to the xDot mBed page and select Example Programs under the Table of Contents. Link: https://os.mbed.com/platforms/MTS-xDot-L151CC/#example-programs
- 22. Click on import program under Dot-Examples and import the program to the compiler. The program has a xDot library dependency, so let's import the library as you did in the previous lab. Navigate to <a href="https://os.mbed.com/platforms/MTS-xDot-L151CC/#lora-stack-libxdot">https://os.mbed.com/platforms/MTS-xDot-L151CC/#lora-stack-libxdot</a> and click on import library under libxDot-mbed5. Select the Dot-Examples for the target and also check the update sub-libraries checkbox, click on import.
- 23. Now in the compiler's project explorer navigate to Dot-Examples-> example\_config.h. Study the file and make sure the OTA\_EXAMPLE is your ACTIVE\_EXAMPLE.
- 24. Now navigate to Dot-Examples-> examples-> src-> ota\_example.cpp and make the following changes:
  - a. network\_name = <The name of the Lora network provided in step 6>
  - b. network\_passphrase = <The passphrase for the Lora network provided in step 6>
  - c. frequency\_sub\_band = 7
  - d.  $join_delay = 5$
- 25. Send EE542 to the conduit by making the following changes
  - a. Commented lines 150 172

```
141
        char arr[] = "EE542";
142
        while (true) {
143
            uint16 t light;
            std::vector<uint8 t> tx data;
144
145
146
            // join network if not joined
            if (!dot->getNetworkJoinStatus()) {
147
                 join network();
148
149
            for (int i=0; i < size of (arr) -1; i++) {
150
151
                 tx_data.push_back(arr[i]);
152
153
```

26. Verify that you are receiving the message on the Node-Red debug window. Also study the ota\_example.cpp to better understand the flow and changes needed to-be made for sending the sensor data. You can also connect to the serial debug port of xDot (baud 115200) to monitor/capture logs.

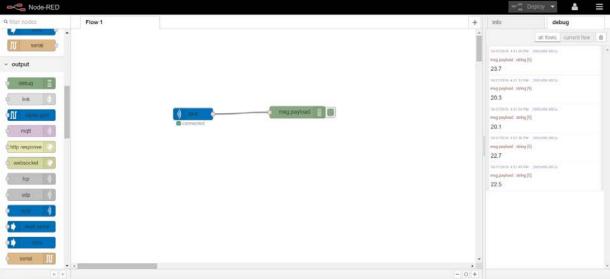


27. Integrate the code from part I to the ota\_example to send the sensor data through LoRa.

```
53 #define BETA 3975
54 AnalogIn sensor(PB 0);
55 DigitalOut vcc(GPIO0);
57 double Thermistor(int RawADC) {
58
    double Temp;
59
    Temp= (float) 10000.0 * ((65536.0 / RawADC) - 1.0);
    Temp = (1/((log(Temp/10000.0)/BETA) + (1.0/298.15)));
61
    Temp = Temp - 273.15;
                                      // Convert Kelvin to Celcius
62
     //Temp = (Temp * 9.0) / 5.0 + 32.0; // Convert Celcius to Fahrenheit
63
     return Temp;
64 }
65
```

```
155
        char out[5];
156
157
        while (true) {
158
            std::vector<uint8_t> tx_data;
            // join network if not joined
159
160
161
            if (!dot->getNetworkJoinStatus()) {
                logInfo("Joining Network");
162
163
                join network();
164
                logInfo("Check Status");
165
166
            val=sensor.read u16();
            double temp = Thermistor(val);
167
168
            //pc.printf("%f\n", temp);
169
            snprintf(out, 5, "%f", temp);
170
            for(int i=0;i<5;i++) {
171
                tx data.push back(out[i]);
172
                }
173
            send_data(tx_data);
174
```

Also don't forget to include necessary headers. In order to use snprintf you will need to include stdlib.h



- 28. In order to use conduit as the gateway for your xDot nodes to the Internet, you will need to configure the conduit to connect to your home router that is connected to the Internet. Once you set the conduit up to get an IP address via your router's built-in DHCP server (you should be able to see which IP address was assigned to it by logging on to your Internet router and view its DHCP table), the conduit should get assigned a different IP address when you connect it to the router with an Ethernet cable. Then you should be able to get the same webpage access with your PC through the router using the IP address assigned by the router. At the same time, your conduit should have the access to the Internet.
- 29. Configure Node-Red in a similar way that your configured Node-Red on the phone to send your xDot data to AWS.
- 30. Add dash board widgets in your thingsboard to visualize your xDot data over time.

For additional help for the conduit refer to <a href="http://www.multitech.net/developer/software/aep/">http://www.multitech.net/developer/software/aep/</a>