

Innovations By Internet Of Things

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ABSTRACT

The fields of computer science and electronics have merged to result into one of the most notable technological advances. Contemporary service innovation is to an important extent stimulated and enabled by developments of information technology[11]. A fairly recent technical development is labelled Internet of Things (IoT) based on the fact that also devices and objects are connected to the Internet. IoT also means that individual objects, and interrelated collections of objects e.g. in homes and cars, can be made uniquely identifiable by radio tags, sensors and actuators, and thereby become virtually represented in wireless and wired internet structures in the form of realization of the Internet of Things (IoT). The IoT has the potential to deliver solutions that dramatically improve energy efficiency, security, health, education and many other aspects of daily life. This paper discusses the vision, the challenges, possible usage scenarios[13][14] and technological building blocks of the “Internet of Things” and its various applications . This paper also discusses how the IoT is shaping the future of development and its challenges .

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1. INTRODUCTION

The term “Internet-of-Things” is used as an umbrella keyword for covering various aspects related to the extension of the Internet and the Web into the physical realm. In the Internet of Things (IoT), everything real becomes virtual, which means that each person and thing has a locatable, addressable, and readable counterpart on the Internet. These virtual entities can produce and consume services and collaborate toward a common goal. The user’s phone knows about his physical and mental state through a network of devices[4] that surround his body, so it can act on his behalf. Internet-of-Things envisions a future in which digital and physical entities can be linked, by means of appropriate information and communication technologies, to enable a whole new class of applications and services. In this article, we present a survey of technologies,

applications[13] and research challenges for Internet-of-Things.

2. Things, Devices and Resources

All the different definitions of the term “Internet of Things“ have in common that it is related to the integration of the physical world with the virtual world of the Internet. There are physical objects one wants to be able to track, to monitor and to interact with. Examples include inanimate objects like pallets, boxes containing consumer goods, cars, machines, fridges and maybe even the infamous carton of milk or cup of yoghurt as well as animate objects like animals and humans. These are the things of the Internet of the entities of interest [7]. In order to monitor and interact with one or more entities and make the connection to the Internet, technical communication devices are required. The devices can be attached to or embedded in the entities themselves – thus creating smart things –, or they can be installed in the environment of the things to be monitored. Devices are a subset of all the things in the

Internet of Things. However, for reasons of clarity this case where the thing, the device and the entity of interest are the same should be treated as a special case. Devices usually host resources: These are computational elements that provide the technical link to the entities of interest – e.g., they offer information about the thing, like an identifier or sensed data, and they may provide actuation capabilities as well. Access to resources from the outside world

finally happens through *services*. Resources may offer a service interface directly, or services inside the network act as proxies for the actual resources, possibly providing additional levels of aggregation and abstraction. These services [8][9] can be used and are most appropriate when accessing resources directly, but other implementation technologies like SOAP [10] or Device Profile for Web Services (DPWS) [11] are also possible; in particular higher-level aggregated services that have to be integrated with enterprise applications. When using REST, the distinction between resource and service becomes blurry, but it can be disambiguated in the following way. Use the term service when focusing on the application integration and accessing aspects, and talk about resources when looking from more low level component and deployment perspective. Various technology components implementing IOT.

- Services: Systems integrators and services organizations provide integration and solution implementation services for IoT projects.
- Software: Middleware and application infrastructure vendors provide information for analytical engines regarding IoT endpoints and enable vertical market solutions.
- Hardware: GPS chips, RFID sensors, actuators, and embedded and external hardware devices capture location and status information.
- Network: Network access, satellite, and transport infrastructure vendors provide the network connectivity that underlies IoT solutions. Analytics
- Solutions: Business intelligence and analytical software solutions such as data mining and predictive analytics, video image analysis, pattern recognition, and

artificial intelligence algorithms determine whether to act on or ignore a pattern.

3. Applications

There are several application domains which will be impacted by the emerging Internet of Things. The applications can be classified based on the type of network availability, coverage, scale, heterogeneity, repeatability, user involvement and impact [9][13]. We categorize the applications into four application domains:

- (1) Personal and Home
- (2) Enterprise
- (3) Utilities
- (4) Mobile.

3.1. Personal and homeThe sensor information collected is used only by the individuals who directly own the network. Usually WiFi is used as the



Figure 1 Applications of IoT

Back bone enabling higher bandwidth data (video) transfer as well as higher sampling rates (Sound)[8]. IoT gives a perfect platform to realize this vision using body area sensors and IoT back end to upload the data to servers. For instance, a Smartphone can be used for communication along with several interfaces like Bluetooth for interfacing sensors measuring physiological parameters. So far, there are several applications available for Apple iOS, Google Android and Windows Phone operating systems that measure various parameters. However, it is yet to be centralized in the cloud for general physicians to access the same. Control of home equipment such as air conditioners, refrigerators, washing machines etc., will allow better home and energy management. This will see consumers become involved in the IoT revolution in the same manner as the Internet revolution itself[8]. An interesting development will be using a Twitter like concept

where individual ‘Things’ in the house can periodically tweet the readings which can be easily followed from anywhere.

3.2. Enterprize

We refer to the ‘Network of Things’ within a work environment as an enterprize based application. Information collected from such networks are used only by the owners and the data may be released selectively. Environmental monitoring is the first common application which is implemented to keep track of the number of occupants and manage the utilities within the building. Sensors have always been an integral part of the factory setup for security, automation, climate control, etc. This will eventually be replaced by a wireless system giving the flexibility to make changes to the setup whenever required. This is nothing but an IoT subnet dedicated to factory maintenance[10]. It should be noted that each of the sub domains cover many focus groups and the data will be shared. The applications or use-cases within the urban environment that can benefit from the realization of a smart city WSN capability. These applications are grouped according to their impact areas. This includes the effect on citizens considering health and well being issues; transport in light of its impact on mobility, productivity, pollution; and services in terms of critical community services managed and provided by local government to city inhabitants.

3.3. Utilities

The information from the networks in this application domain is usually for service optimization rather than consumer consumption. It is already being used by utility companies (smart meter by electricity supply companies) for resource management in order to optimize cost vs. profit. These are made up of very extensive networks (usually laid out by large organization on a regional and national scale) for monitoring critical utilities[14] and efficient resource management. The backbone network used can vary between cellular, WiFi and satellite communication. Smart grid and smart metering is another potential IoT application which is being implemented around the world. Efficient energy consumption can be achieved by continuously

monitoring every electricity point within a house and using this information to modify the way electricity is consumed. This information at the city scale is used for maintaining the load balance within the grid ensuring high quality of service. Video based IoT, which integrates image processing, computer vision and networking frameworks, will help develop a new challenging scientific research area at the intersection of video, infrared, microphone and network technologies. Surveillance, the most widely used camera network applications, helps track targets, identify suspicious activities, detect left luggage and monitor unauthorized access. Water network monitoring and quality assurance of drinking water is another critical application that is being addressed using IoT. Sensors measuring critical water parameters are installed at important locations in order to ensure high supply quality. This avoids accidental contamination among storm water drains, drinking water and sewage disposal. The same network can be extended to monitor irrigation in agricultural land.

3.4. Mobile

Smart transportation and smart logistics are placed in a separate domain due to the nature of data sharing and backbone implementation required. Urban traffic is the main contributor to traffic noise pollution and a major contributor to urban air quality degradation and greenhouse gas emissions. Traffic congestion directly imposes significant costs on economic and social activities in most cities. Supply chain efficiencies and productivity, including just-in-time operations, are severely impacted by this congestion causing freight delays and delivery schedule failures. The transport IoT will enable the use of large scale WSNs for online monitoring of travel times, origin–destination (O–D) route choice behavior, queue lengths and air pollutant and noise emissions. The IoT is likely to replace the traffic information[11] provided by the existing sensor networks of inductive loop vehicle detectors employed at the intersections of existing traffic control systems. The prevalence of Bluetooth technology (BT) devices reflects the current IoT penetration in a number of digital products such as mobile phones, car hands-free sets, navigation systems, etc. There are many privacy concerns by such usages and digital forgetting is an emerging

domain of research in IoT where privacy is a concern. Another important application in mobile IoT domain is efficient logistics management. This includes monitoring the items being transported as well as efficient transportation planning. The monitoring of items is carried out more locally, say, within a truck replicating enterprise domain but transport planning is carried out using a large scale IoT network.

4. Cloud centric Internet of Things

The vision of IoT can be seen from two perspectives—‘Internet’ centric and ‘Thing’ centric. The Internet centric architecture will involve internet services being the main focus while data is contributed by the objects. In the object centric architecture [2], the smart objects take the center stage. In order to realize the full potential of cloud computing as well as ubiquitous sensing, a combined framework with a cloud at the center seems to be most viable. Sensing service providers can join the network and offer their data using a storage cloud; analytic tool developers can provide their software tools; artificial intelligence experts can provide their data mining and machine learning tools useful in converting information to knowledge and finally computer graphics designers can offer a variety of visualization tools. Cloud computing can offer these services as Infrastructures, Platforms or Software where the full potential of human creativity can be tapped using them as services. The data generated, tools used and the visualization created disappears into the background, tapping the full potential of the Internet of Things in various application domains. Cloud integrates all ends of by providing scalable storage, computation time and other tools to build new businesses. visualization paradigms. Furthermore, we introduce an important realm of interaction between clouds which is useful for combining public and private clouds using Aneka. This interaction is critical for application developers in order to bring sensed information, analytics algorithms and visualization under one single seamless framework[12]. However, developing IoT applications using low-level Cloud programming models and interfaces such as Thread and MapReduce models is complex. To overcome this, we need a IoT application specific framework for rapid creation of applications and

their deployment on Cloud infrastructures. This is achieved by mapping the proposed framework to Cloud APIs offered by platforms such as Aneka. Therefore, the new IoT application specific framework should be able to provide support for :

- Reading data streams either from sensors directly or fetch the data from databases.
- Easy expression of data analysis logic as functions/operators that process data streams in a transparent and scalable manner on Cloud infrastructures.
- If any events of interest are detected, outcomes should be passed to output streams, which are connected to a visualization program.

Using such a framework, the developer of IoT applications will be able to harness the power of Cloud computing without knowing low-level details of creating reliable and scale applications. A model for the realization of such an environment for IoT applications is shown in thus reducing the time and cost involved in engineering IoT applications.

5. Open challenges and future directions

The challenges include IoT specific challenges such as privacy, participatory sensing, data analytics, GIS based visualization and Cloud computing apart from the standard WSN challenges including architecture, energy efficiency, security, protocols, and Quality of Service. The end goal is to have Plug n’ Play smart objects which can be deployed in any environment with an interoperable backbone allowing them to blend with other smart objects around them. Standardization of frequency bands and protocols plays a pivotal role in accomplishing this goal. A roadmap of key developments in IoT research in the context of pervasive applications is shown in which includes the technology drivers and key application outcomes expected in the next decade[13]. The section ends with a few international initiatives in the domain which could play a vital role in the success of this rapidly emerging technology. able to navigate the data better than ever before. With emerging 3D displays, this area is certain to have more research and development opportunities. There is a challenge of visualizing data collected within IoT is that they are geo-related and are

sparsely distributed. To cope with such a challenge, a framework based on Internet GIS is required.

6. Conclusions

The devices with communicating capabilities is bringing closer the vision of an Internet of Things, where the sensing and actuation functions seamlessly blend into the background and new capabilities are made possible through access of rich new information sources. The evolution of the next generation mobile system will depend on the creativity of the users in designing new applications. IoT is an ideal emerging technology to influence this domain by providing new evolving data and the required computational resources for creating revolutionary applications we presented here is a user-centric model for approaching this goal through the interaction of private and public clouds. Allowing for the necessary flexibility to meet the diverse and sometimes competing needs of different sectors. It provide us a framework allows networking, computation, storage and visualization themes separate thereby allowing independent growth in every sector but complementing each other in a shared environment The consolidation of international initiatives is quite clearly accelerating progress towards an IoT, providing an overarching view for the integration and functional elements that can deliver an operational IoT.

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