



# ELC 4438 Embedded Systems Design

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"I SPENT TEN MONTHS RE-PROGRAMMING THE SIMS  
SO THEY CAN TALK... AND THE FIRST THING  
THEY SAID WAS 'GET A LIFE!'"

BEAR FACTS

by Burke



Programmer in prison.

"What is more in *Embedded System Design* beyond boring programming?"

“Software (and working with the Internet) is a good starting point.”

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ul1MINoh-z4>



# Engineers to create value

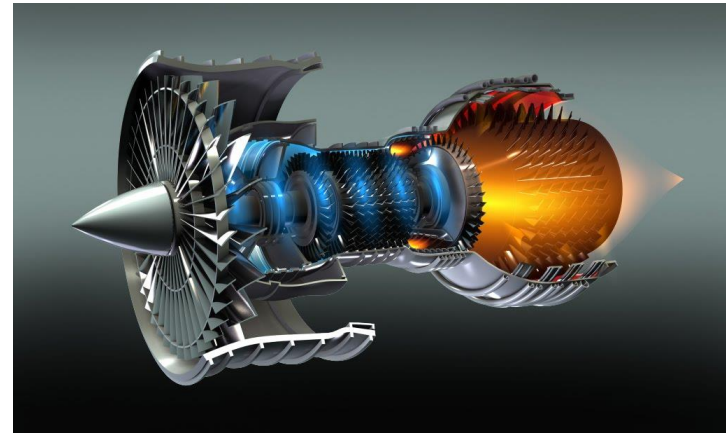
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- ▶ Front-end Development
  - ▶ Web front-end, Flash, html5, JavaScript, etc.
- ▶ Back-end Development
  - ▶ Java, Python, PHP (Hypertext Preprocessor), .NET, C/C++/C#, VB, Delphi, Perl, Ruby, etc.
- ▶ Mobile Development
  - ▶ Android, iOS, etc.
- ▶ Hardware Development
  - ▶ PCB, Driver development, System Integration, FPGA, DSP, ARM, RF, Automaton, etc.
- ▶ Design
- ▶ Data Analysis

Try to avoid “low threshold” – Low barriers to entry.



You are an engineer – You are the engine!



# Questions that we engineers should ask ourselves in what we do:

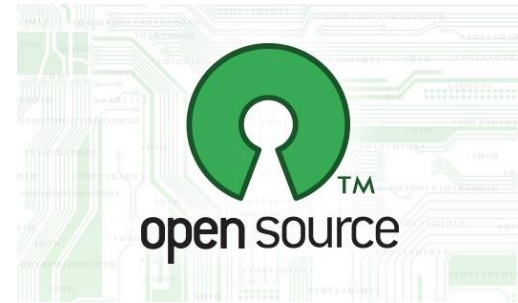
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- ▶ Value and contribution?
- ▶ What is needed? How to make it better?
- ▶ What is the root of the problem I try to solve?
- ▶ The Innovation. What aspects are original, unusual, novel, disruptive, or transformative compared to the current state of the art?
- ▶ What are the resources you expect will be needed to implement your approach?



# Resource: Open-Source Software and Hardware

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- ▶ Sharing creates enormous economic value <sup>[1]</sup> and can drive a high return on investment for investors <sup>[2]</sup>.

[1] Pearce, J.M. (2015) [Quantifying the Value of Open Source Hardware Development](#). *Modern Economy*, **6**, 1-11.

[2] Joshua M. Pearce. (2015) [Return on Investment for Open Source Hardware Development](#). *Science and Public Policy*.

# Industrie 4.0

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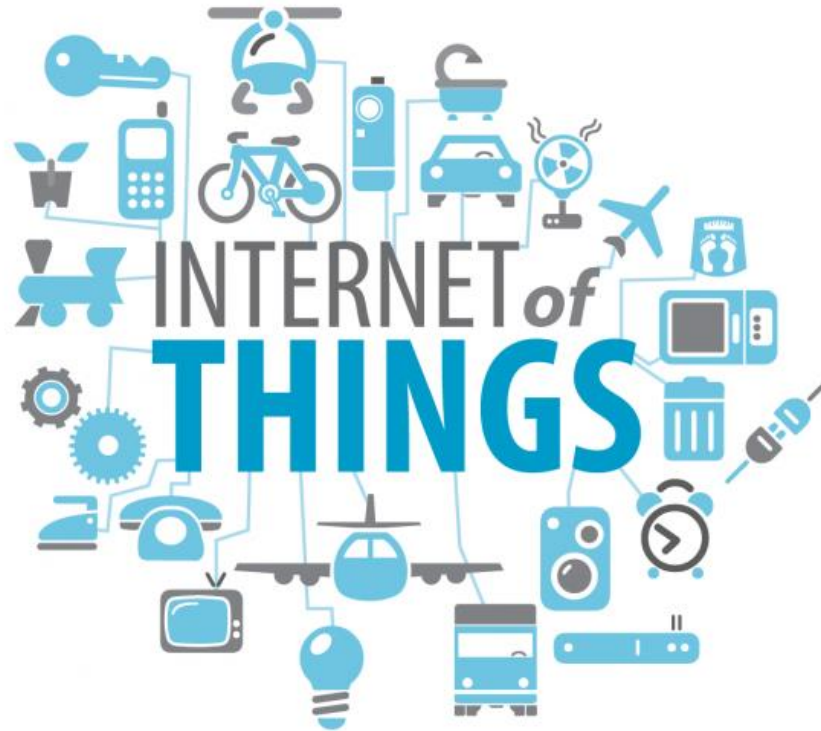
Industry automation which draws together Cyber-Physical Systems, the Internet of Things, and the Internet of Services.

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# Internet of Things (IoT)

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Experts estimate that the IoT will consist of almost 50 billion objects by 2020<sup>[1]</sup>.

[1] Dave Evans (April 2011). ["The Internet of Things: How the Next Evolution of the Internet Is Changing Everything"](#) (PDF). Cisco. Retrieved 4 September 2015.



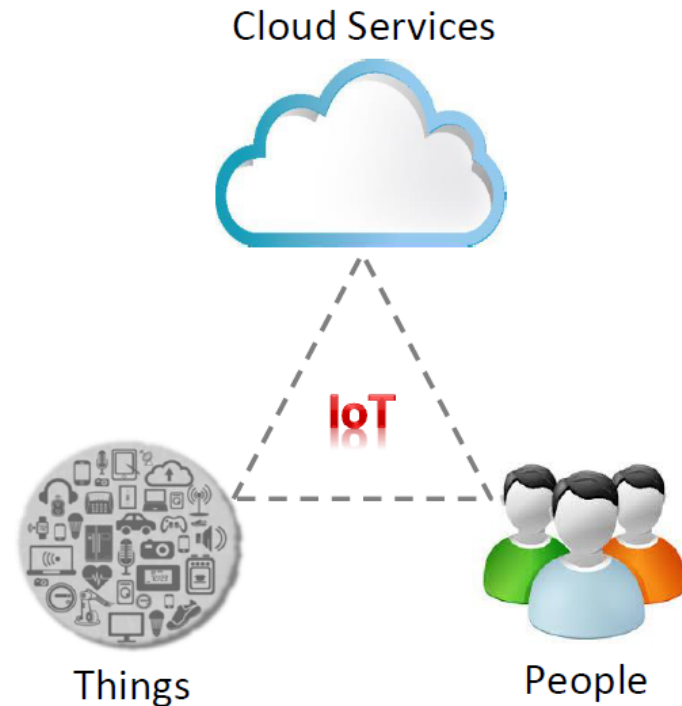
# IoT

## What is the IoT ?

Things, people and cloud services getting connected via the Internet to enable new use cases and business models

### How is IoT different than M2M?

- M2M focused on connecting machines – mainly proprietary closed systems
- IoT is about harmonizing the way humans and machines connect using common public services



# IoT - Why now?

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- ▶ More products are adding intelligence with MCUs to support more sophisticated control
  - ▶ Adding connectivity is getting easier & cheaper
  - ▶ Low-power semiconductors allow for more battery-powered applications
  - ▶ Wi-Fi and internet access broadly available
  - ▶ Tablets, PCs and Smartphones broadly available – can be leveraged as a gateway
  - ▶ Connectivity brings control, sensing & ability to update system software over the internet
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# IoT is an enabling technology

## Wearables

- Entertainment
- Fitness
- Smart watch
- Location and tracking



## Building & Home Automation

- Access control
- Light & temp control
- Energy optimization
- Predictive maintenance
- Connected appliances



## Smart Cities

- Residential E-meters
- Smart street lights
- Pipeline leak detection
- Traffic control
- Surveillance cameras
- Centralized and integrated system control



## Smart Manufacturing

- Flow optimization
- Real time inventory
- Asset tracking
- Employee safety
- Predictive maintenance
- Firmware updates



## Health Care

- Remote monitoring
- Ambulance telemetry
- Drugs tracking
- Hospital asset tracking
- Access control
- Predictive maintenance



## Automotive

- Infotainment
- Wire replacement
- Telemetry
- Predictive maintenance
- C2C and C2I



# IoT challenges

## Sensing a complex environment

position/motion material composition  
proximity gas current/power  
temperature **environment** light humidity  
chemical  
occupancy biosensing pressure

## Multiple connectivity options



## Power is critical



## Security is a must



## The IoT is complex



## Connecting to the cloud



# Sensing

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Sensing technologies that address a wide variety of applications



Biosensing



Humidity



Position / motion



Chemical



Light



Pressure



Current / power



Material composition



Proximity



Gas



Occupancy



Temperature



# Connectivity



- Fast – 10Mbps++
- Direct Internet connection
- Home & enterprise apps



- Low power mesh network
- Smart metering & lighting
- Moving into home automation



- Lowest power BLE
- Connect to tablet/phone
- Moving to industrial, automotive



- Low power & long range
- Native IP-based network
- Home gateways and security



- Data over power lines (OFDM)
- Developed for smart grid
- Lighting, solar, appliances



- Fast, low latency Ethernet
- Real-time industrial control
- Information technology



2.4GHz

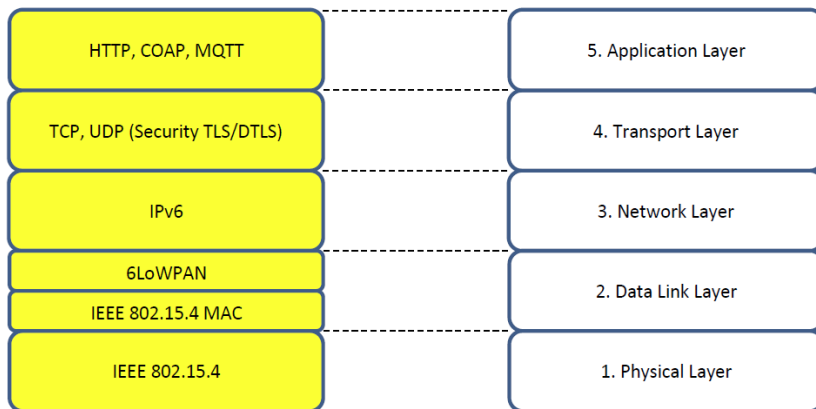
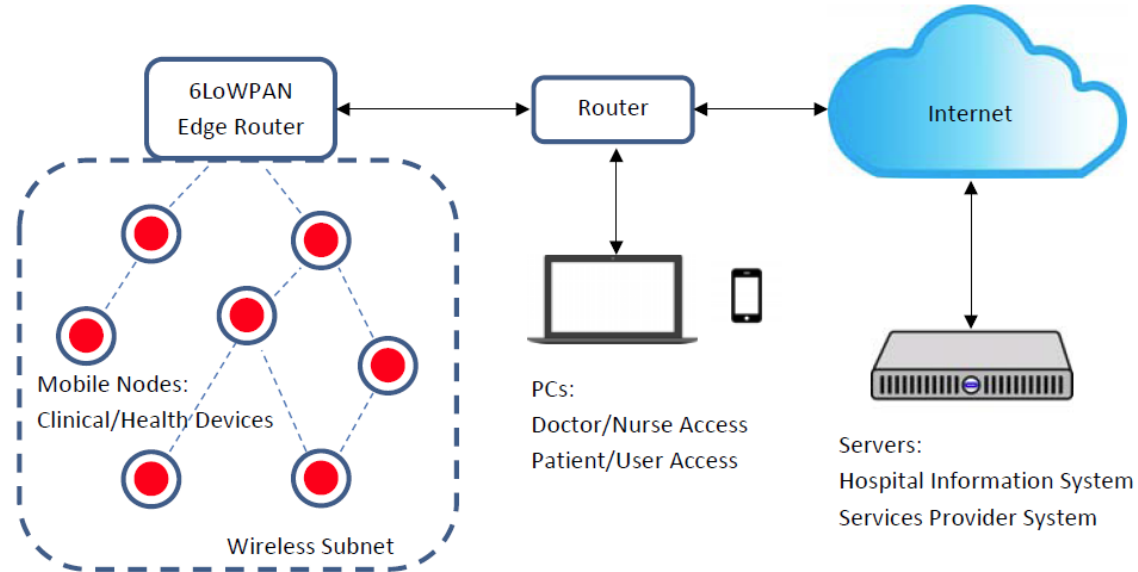


IEEE P1901.2



IEEE 802.15.4

# 6LoWPAN (IPv6 over Low-Power Wireless Personal Area Networks)



6LoWPAN Stack

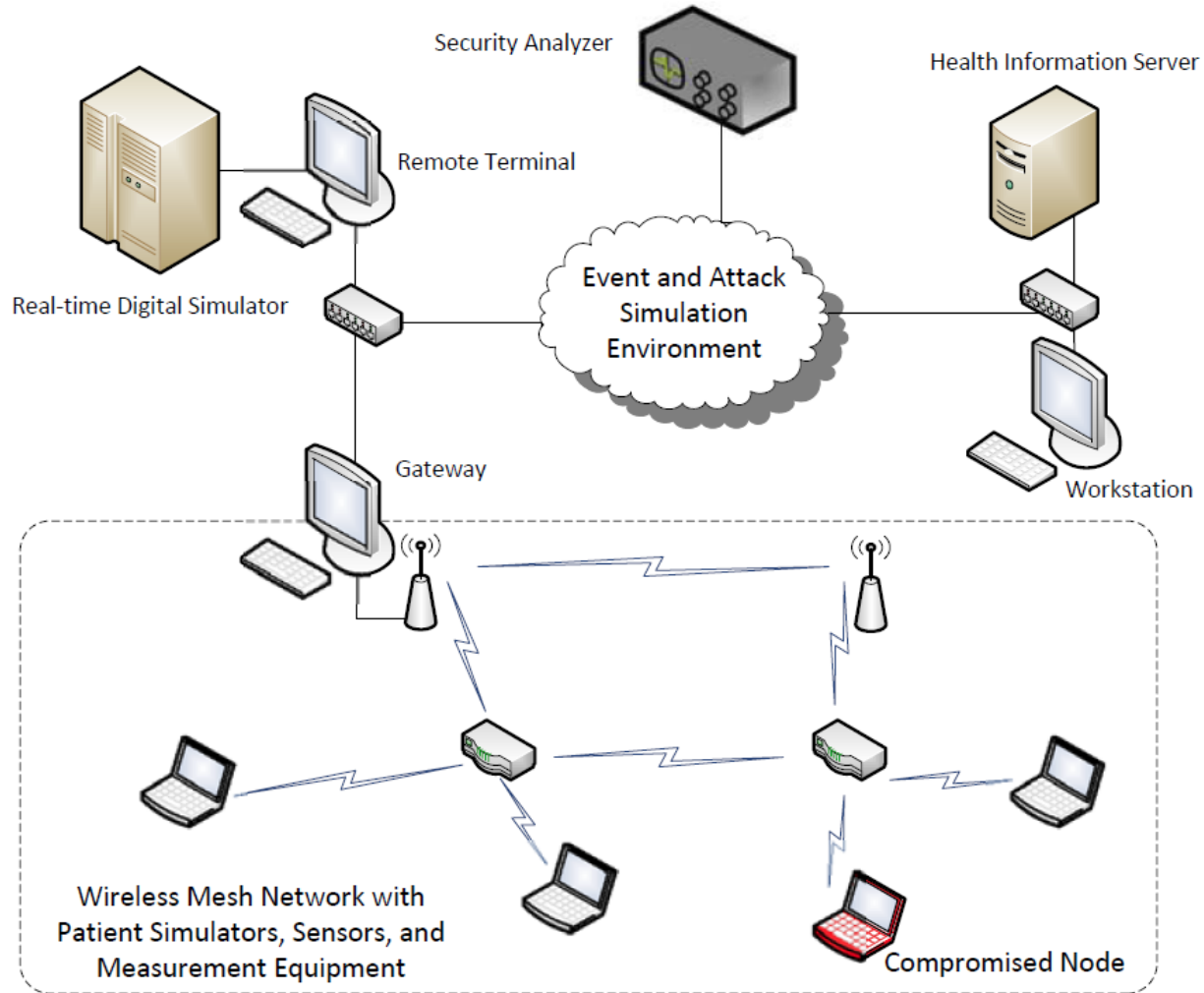
Simplified OSI Model

IoT for ubiquitous healthcare

The 6LoWPAN stack and the corresponding OSI model



# 6LoWPAN Lab Testbed





# Low-power

Days to years of battery operation or harvested-powered devices

## Power management & precision analog ICs



## Low-power microcontrollers



## Low-power wireless connectivity



Wi-Fi-based sensors running on 2xAA batteries over 1 year  
ZigBee/6LoWPAN-based light switch running on coin cell battery for 10 years

## Harvesting power and stretching battery life

Light



Vibration



Thermal



RF



# Security

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Security solutions to prevent, detect and respond to unintended or malicious behavior

## Hardware



Symmetric cryptography

## Software



Authentication & anti-cloning

## Connectivity



IP protection

Tamper protection

Protecting manufacturers' and consumers' devices, solutions and services

# Connection to the Cloud

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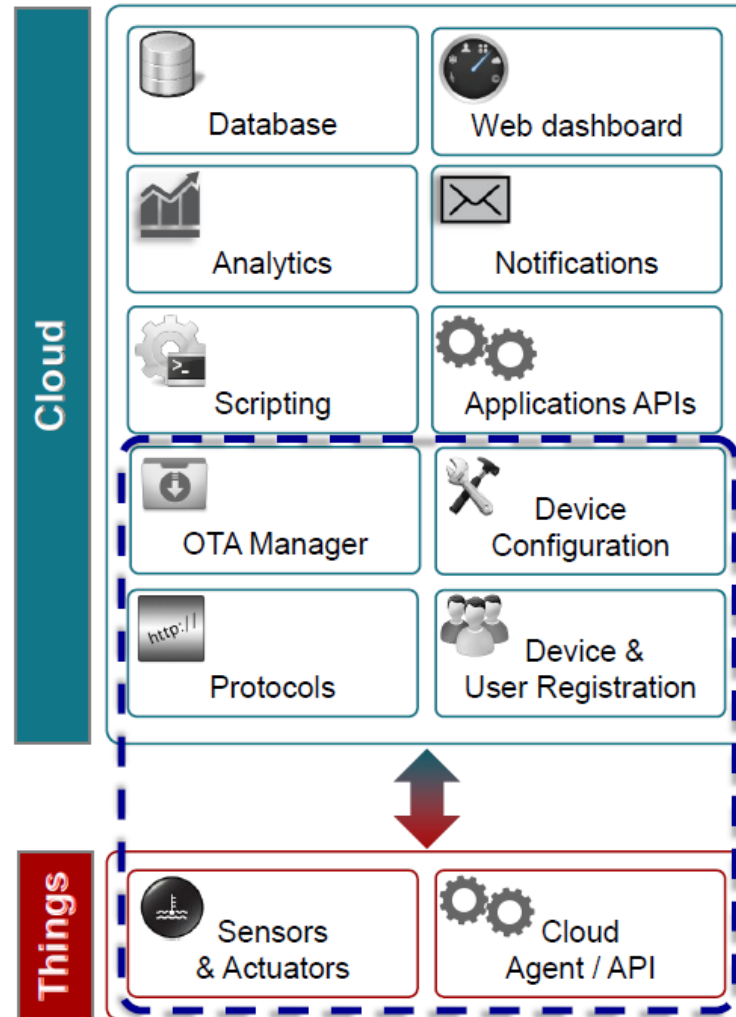
New open ecosystem of IoT cloud service providers



Faster time to market of new devices and services based on TI's IoT silicon solutions.  
Meets individual needs of manufacturers.



# Typical IoT cloud services



# IoT in 2020?

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## Challenges

**Sensing is vital**

**Connectivity:  
One size doesn't fit all**

**Power is critical**

**Security is a must**

**Complexity**

**Connecting to the cloud**

## What is needed

**Innovative sensing technology**

**Broad variety of wired or  
wireless standards**

**The lowest power solutions for any  
application**

**Built-in hardware security  
technology**

**IoT solutions for everyone,  
not just experts**

**Ecosystem of cloud partners to  
enable seamless integration**



# We engineers need an entrepreneurial spirit

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- ▶ Does it work? → Does it create value?
- ▶ System life-cycle, adaptation to the needs - Gradually modify your designs according to customer needs
- ▶ Entrepreneurship is an experiment...that failure is acceptable and learning from failure is important.

**“You only have to be right once!”**



# More questions that we engineers should ask ourselves:

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- ▶ The Customer. The expected customer for your innovation. What customer needs or market pain points are you addressing?
  - ▶ The Value Proposition. What are the benefits to the customer of your innovation? What is the key differentiator of your company or technology?
  - ▶ The Innovation. What aspects are original, unusual, novel, disruptive, or transformative compared to the current state of the art?
  - ▶ What are the market and addressable market for the innovation? What are the business economics and market drivers in the target industry?
  - ▶ Market opportunity? Business model? Competition?
  - ▶ What are the key risks in bringing your innovation to market?
  - ▶ What is your commercialization approach? Potential economic benefits associated with your innovation?
  - ▶ What are the resources you expect will be needed to implement your commercialization approach?
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# Resource

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## ▶ Crowdfunding?



**KICKSTARTER**



**crowdfunder**





# Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)

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<https://www.sbir.gov/>

