

A path towards the future: Automation Services based on the Internet of Things and Ubiquitous Computing

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Presentation overview

- What is IoT and ubiquitous computing
- The current eco-system of IoT
- Elements of IoT
 - Data acquisition
 - Existing network technologies
 - Data processing and visualisation
- Potential applications



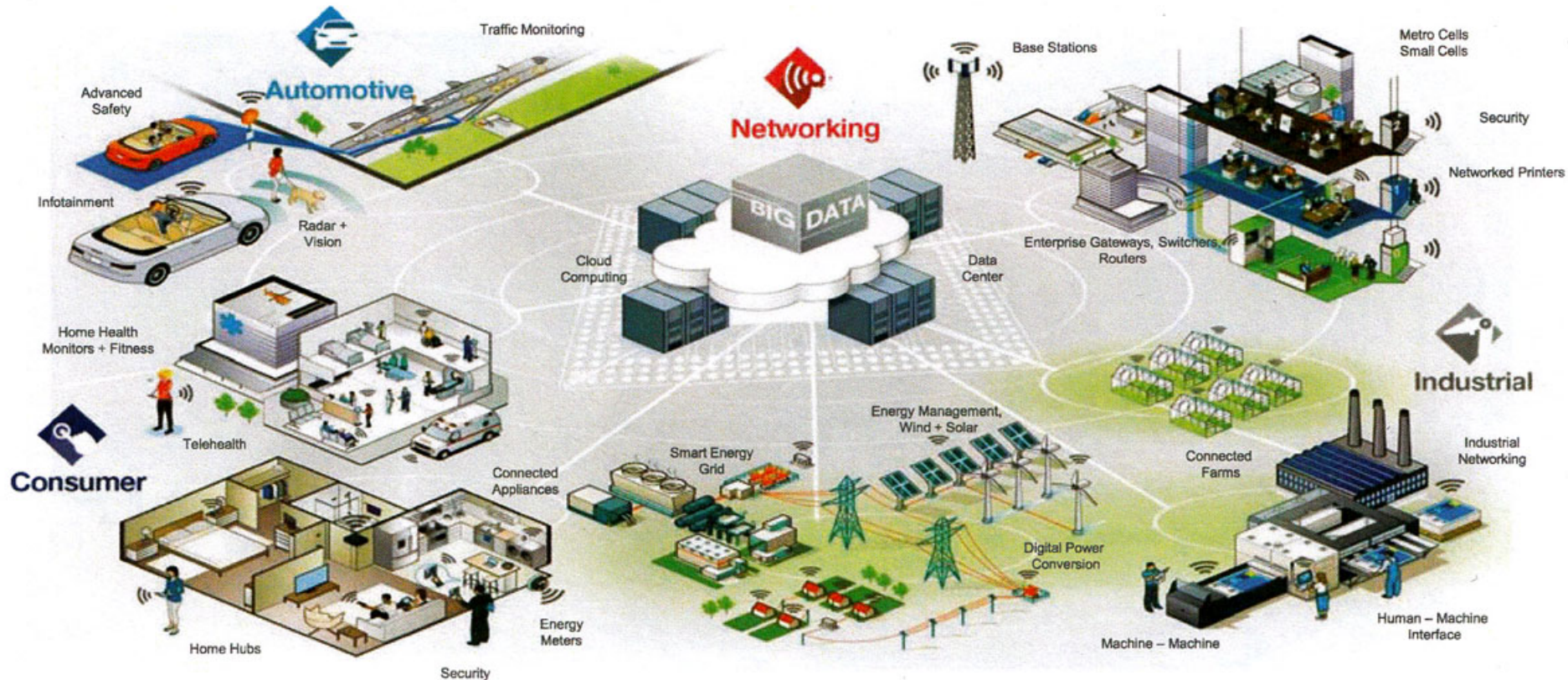
What is the Internet of Things (IoT) ?

IoT is like teenage sex:
everyone talks about it,
nobody really knows how to do it,
everyone thinks everyone else is doing it,
so everyone claims they are doing it...

- A great quote from Dan Ariely of Duke University about “Big Data” analysis, which applies just as well to IoT

Current IoT eco-system

The Internet of Things

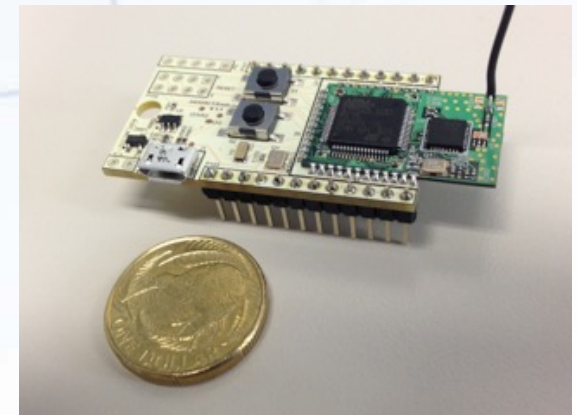
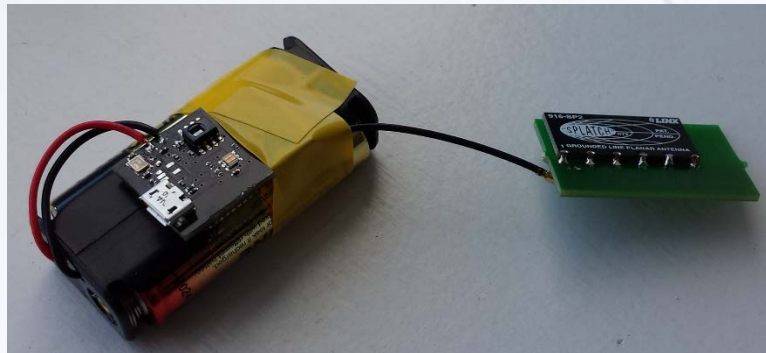
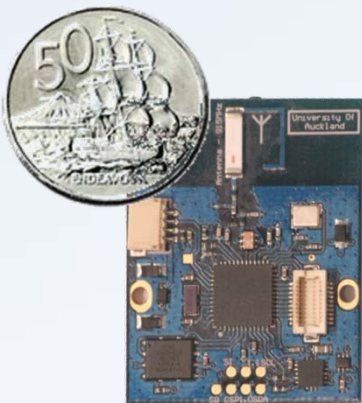


What is IoT & ubiquitous computing ?

- What is IoT and ubiquitous computing
 - A collection of independent computing resources (or “Things”) that
 - are connected to networks
 - share resources and data to a certain extent
 - appears as a single coherent system to end users
 - interacts with human and other “Things”
 - provides integrated services
- Benefits
 - Human centred rather than machine centred
 - Integrated services with more superior non-functional (e.g. real-time, remote access) requirements
 - Ubiquity, variety, longevity, interconnectivity, interoperability
- Elements of IoT
 - Sensing
 - Communication
 - Data processing and visualisation

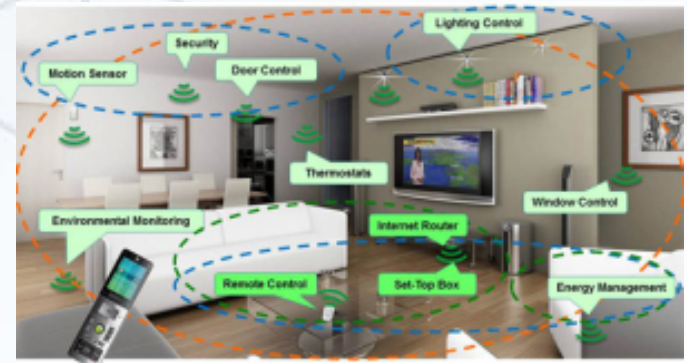
Sensing

- The goal is to achieve unobtrusive, ubiquitous sensing and interaction
 - with immediate physical environment
 - with human or other “Things”
 - for large scale, distributed, remote monitoring and control
- Challenges:
 - Ubiquity
 - Longevity
 - Interoperability



Communication

- Wide varieties of communication technologies
 - Short range RF (low power, long operating life): RFID, Bluetooth, WiFi
 - Narrowband LTE (long range, low data rate): LoRaWAN, Sigfox
 - Backbone (high bandwidth, fast speed): IP, Cellular networks, Fibre
 - Proprietary networks
 - Legacy
- What are the most suitable technologies for your applications?
- Challenges: how to provide intuitive and integrated services, with hidden interconnectivity

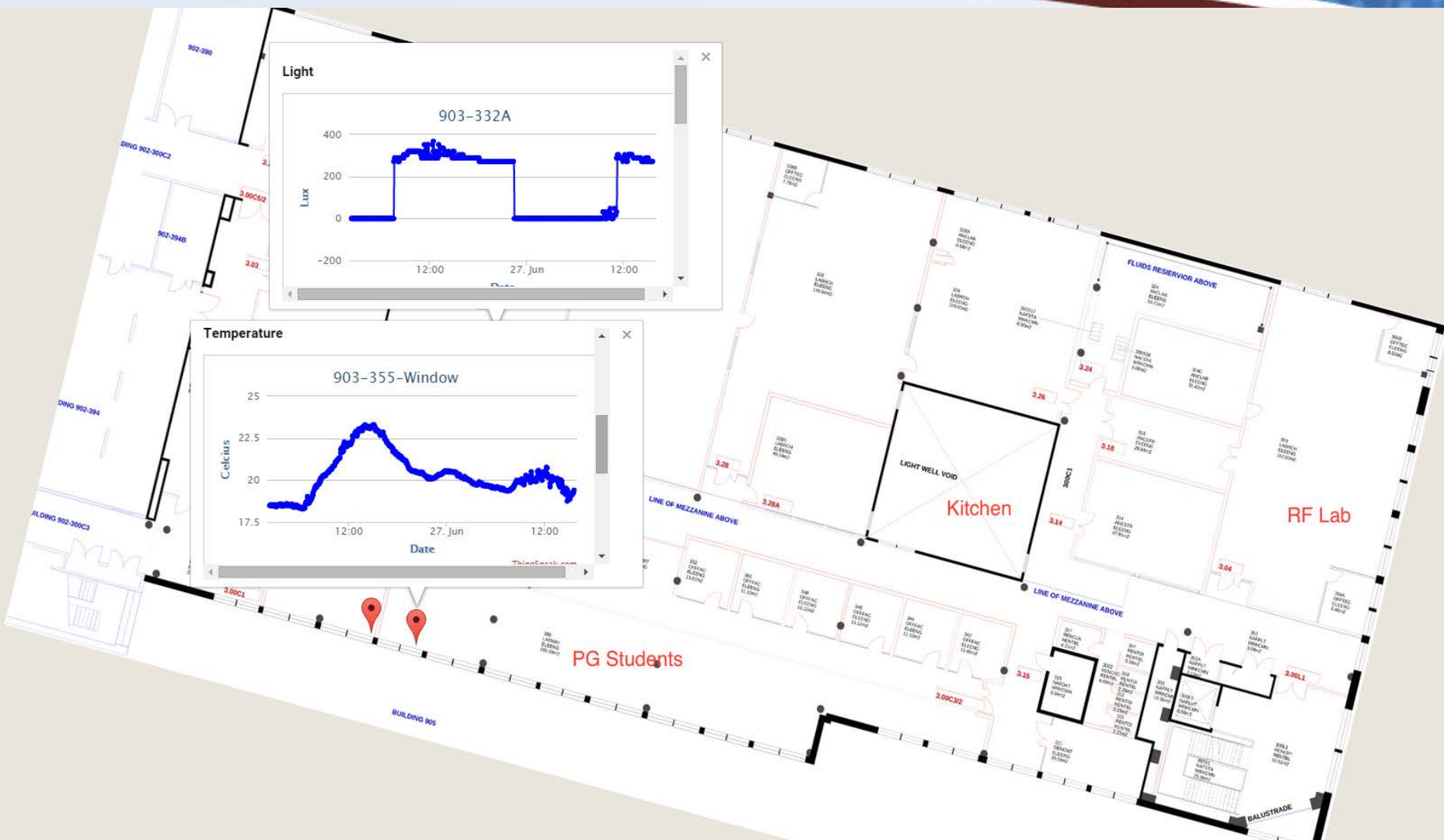


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Data processing

- It is all about Data!
- Data: the most valuable “by-product”
 - Many industries are collecting data for no reason
 - Use of different context information for more intelligent applications
 - Extraction of unknown patterns to facilitate better decision making
- Challenges: abundant but noisy data
 - Data filtering, storage and organisation
 - Industries require customised models to be built
 - Patterns/correlations of different parameters/factors
 - Extraction of useful patterns and information
 - Route optimisation
 - Quality assurance
 - Trend analysis

ORGANIZATION

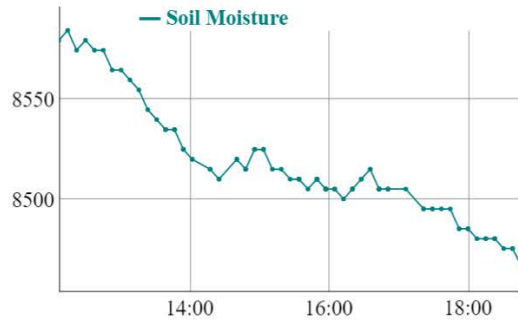


Data visualisation

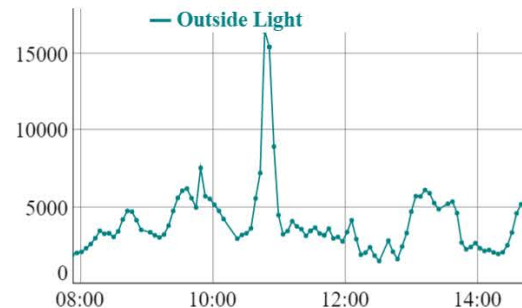


Plant Monitoring

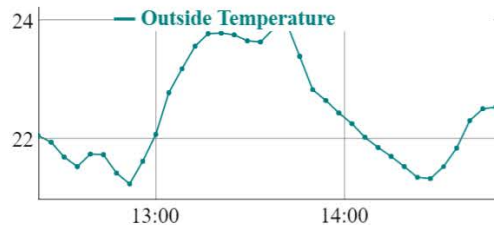
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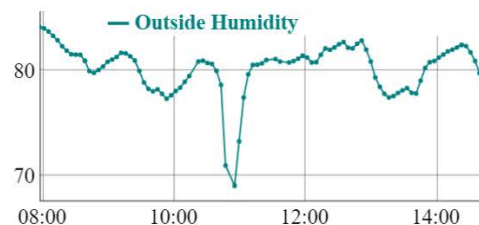
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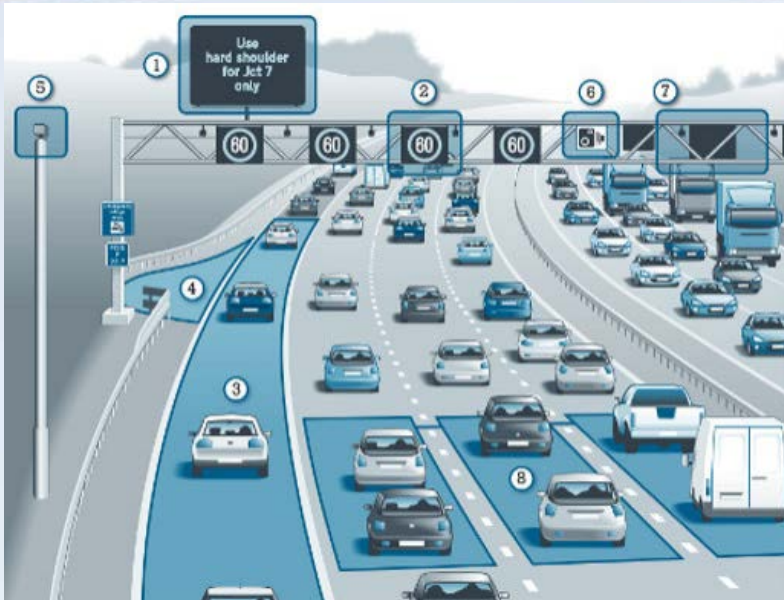
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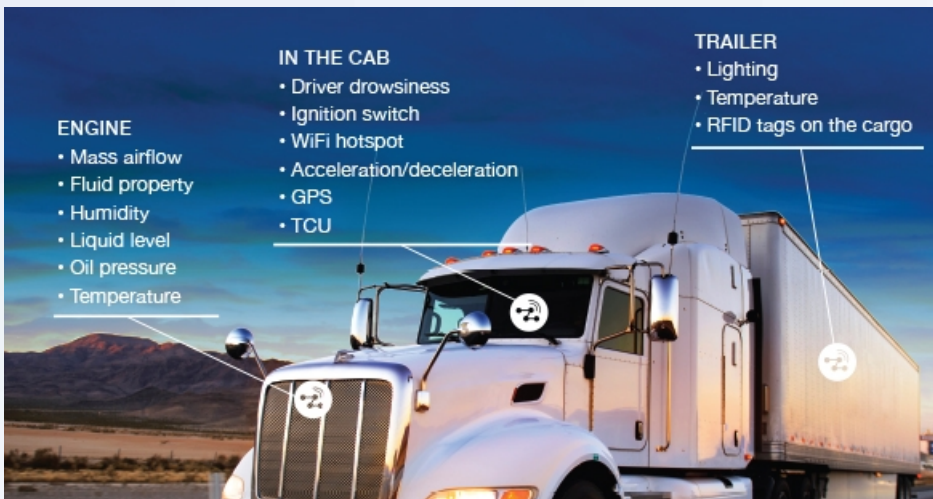
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Potential applications



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