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# Wireless Embedded Systems and Networking

Foundations of IP-based Ubiquitous Sensor Networks

## Next-Tier of the Internet - IP-based Wireless Sensor Networks

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## Lecture Outline

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- **Introductions**
- **Ubiquitous Networks => Integration Real World Information**
- **Overview of Wireless Sensor Networks**
  - Technology Enablers
  - Application Opportunities
  - Systems Challenge
- **Overview of the week's course**
- **Discussion**



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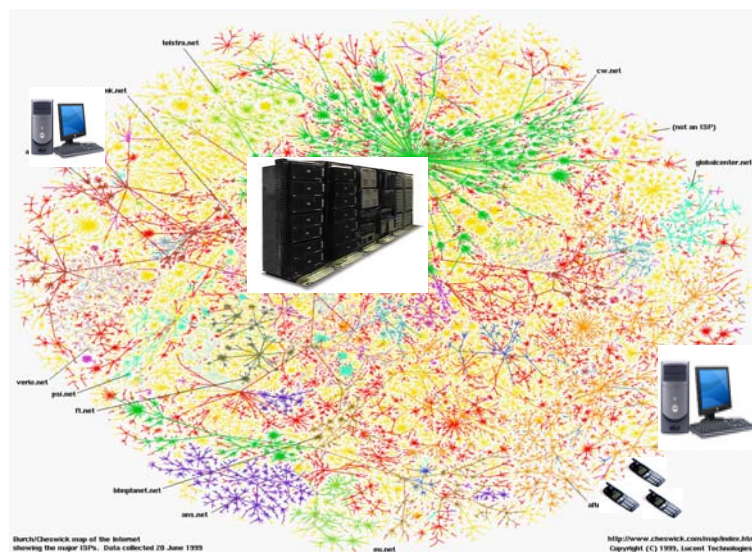
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## Introductions

- Instructor: Dr. David E. Culler
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  - [jaein@eecs.berkeley.edu](mailto:jaein@eecs.berkeley.edu)
- Class Members ...

## The Internet today





# The Web Today

Integrates the World's *Human Generated* Information

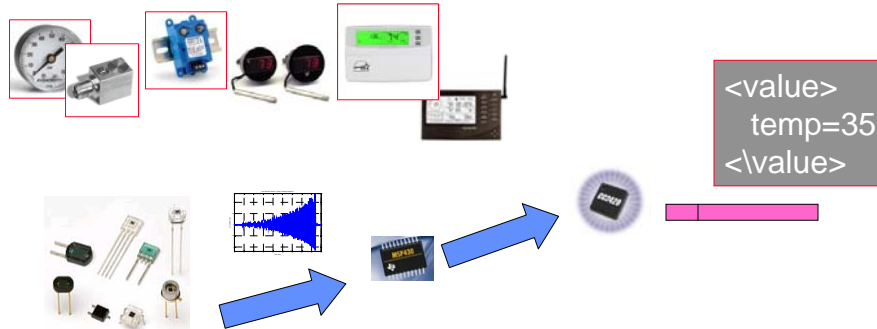


# Most Real World Information goes "down the drain"

- Security and Access Control
- Gas and Electric Usage
- Heating, AC, and Ventilation
- Water Usage, Temp., Quality
- Smoke, Fire, CO, Radon
- Smart Appliances
- Digital Health Devices
- Baby Monitor (Elder care)
- Entertainment System
- Video Game Consoles
- Exercise Units
- Clocks and Calendars



## Physical Information Streams

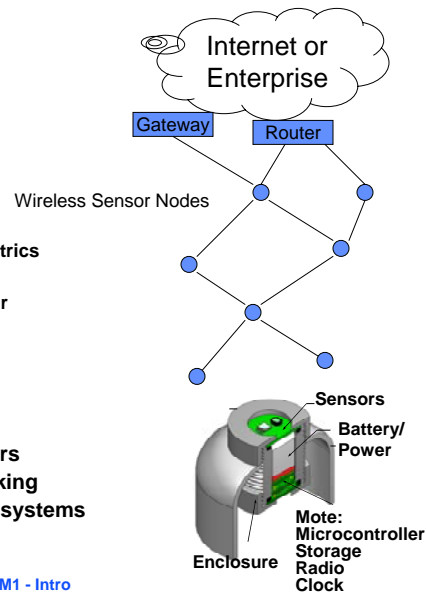


- **Sensors are everywhere**
  - But the data is mostly dropped on the floor
- **Physical => Digital => Information**
- **Each sensor becomes a network citizen**



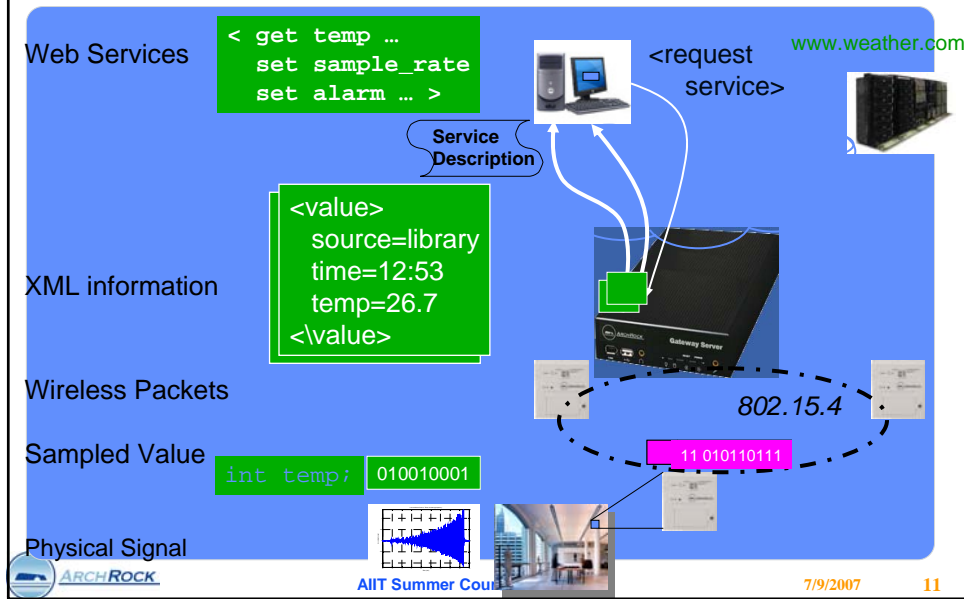
## Wireless Sensor Network

- **Network of tiny footprint computers**
- **Optimized for long life on low power**
- **Equipped to sense physical data**
- **Networked using low-power radio**
- **Function:**
  - Sense any measurable parameter
    - » Light, motion, chemicals, proximity, biometrics
  - Form network and communicate
    - » Automatic meshing and routing over the air
  - Apply user-defined business logic
    - » Sampling, summarizing, reporting events
- **Form:**
  - Mote (Processor, Radio, Storage) + Sensors
  - Embedded Operating System and Networking
  - Router & Gateways towards Enterprise IT systems



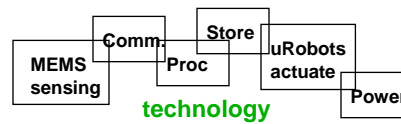
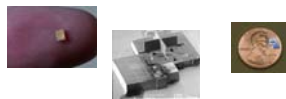


# Our goal: Ubiquitous Real Internet



# Technology Push / Application Pull

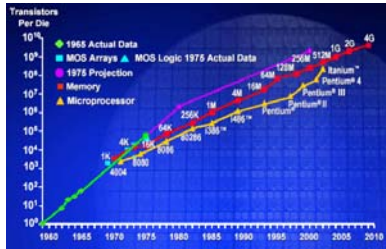
## Monitoring & Managing Spaces and Things



## Miniature, low-power connections to the physical world

# Broad Technology Trends

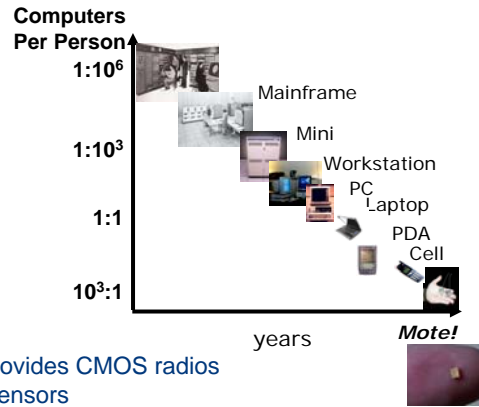
**Moore's Law:** # transistors on cost-effective chip doubles every 18 months



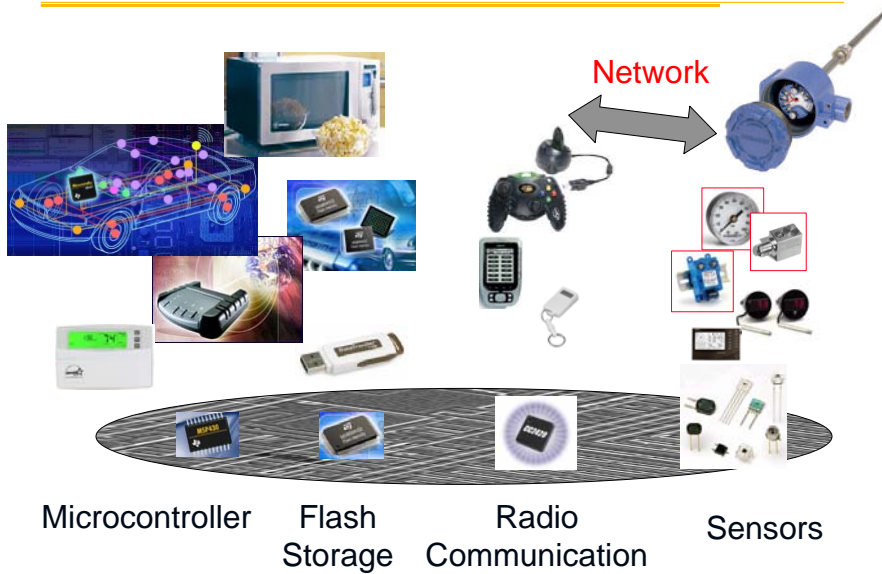
Today: 1 million transistors per \$

Same fabrication technology provides CMOS radios for communication and micro-sensors

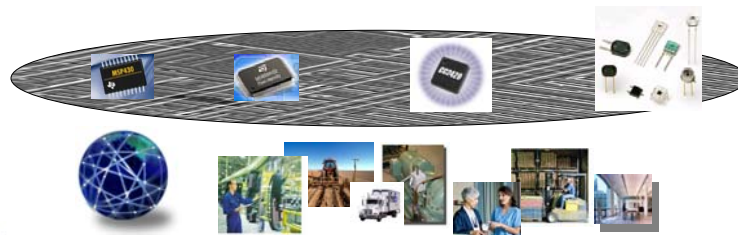
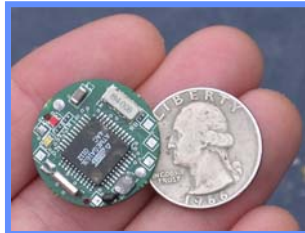
**Bell's Law:** a new computer class emerges every 10 years



# Enabling Technology



## Enabling Technology



## The New Power Point

- **Microcontrollers:**
  - 1-10 mW active, 1 uW passive => 10-100 uW average
- **Micro-sensors (MEMS, Materials, Circuits)**
  - acceleration, vibration, gyroscope, tilt, magnetic, heat, motion, pressure, temp, light, moisture, humidity, barometric
  - chemical (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, radon), biological, microradar, ...
  - actuators too (mirrors, motors, smart surfaces, micro-robots)
- **Micro-Radios**
  - CMOS, short range (10 m), low bit-rate (200 kbps), 10 mW
- **Micro-Power**
  - Batteries: 1,000 mW\*s/mm<sup>3</sup>, fuel cells
  - solar (10 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 0.1 mW indoors), vibration (~uW/gm), flow
- **1 cm<sup>3</sup> battery => 1 year at 1 msgs/sec**

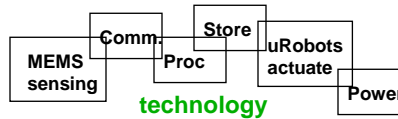


# Technology Push / Application Pull

## Monitoring & Managing Spaces and Things



applications



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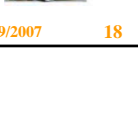
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# WSN Applications

- Monitoring Spaces
  - Env. Monitoring, Conservation biology, ...
  - Precision agriculture,
  - built environment comfort & efficiency ...
  - alarms, security, surveillance, EPA, OSHA, treaty verification ...
- Monitoring Things
  - automated meter reading
  - condition-based maintenance
  - disaster management
  - Civil infrastructure
- Interactions of Space and Things
  - manufacturing, asset tracking, fleet & franchise
  - context aware computing, non-verbal communication
  - Assistance - home/elder care
- Action and control
  - Optimizing processes
  - Automation



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## Early Industrial Examples



Temperature and Energy Monitoring



AMI – NURI Telecom & SK Telecom :



SIEMENS

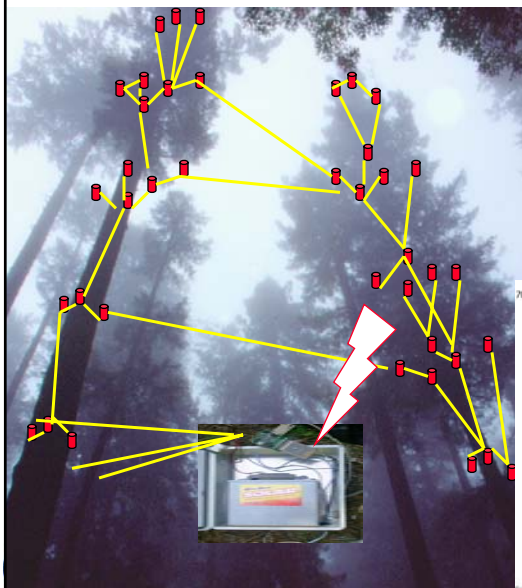


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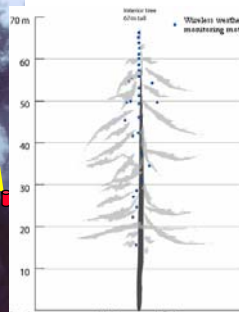
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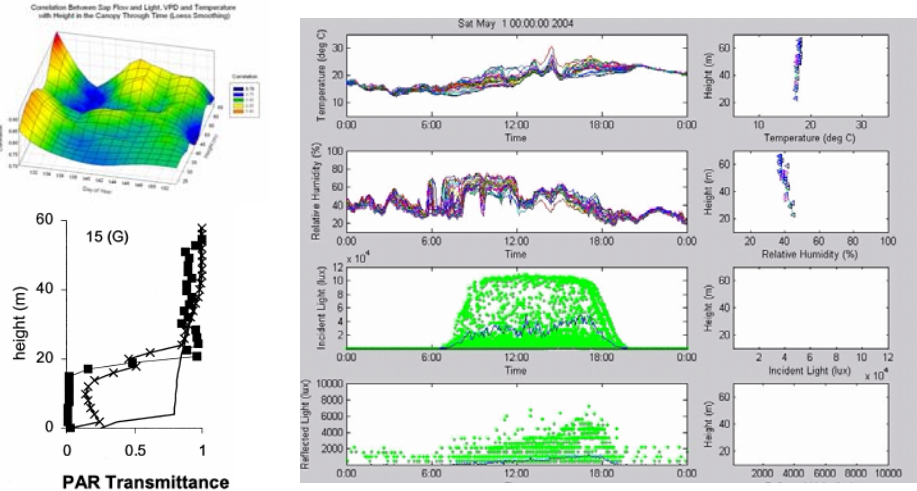
## Example: A Month in the Life of a Redwood Tree



- Time: 1 month
- Period: 5 minutes
- Height: 15m to 70m
- Angle: west side
- Radius: 10-100cm
- Count: 33 nodes/tree  
– 155 sensors
- Spacing: ~2m



# The Result: Spatial Gradients over time



(Mariscal et al. 2004)

Macroscope in the Redwoods, Tolle et al, ACM SENSYS 2005

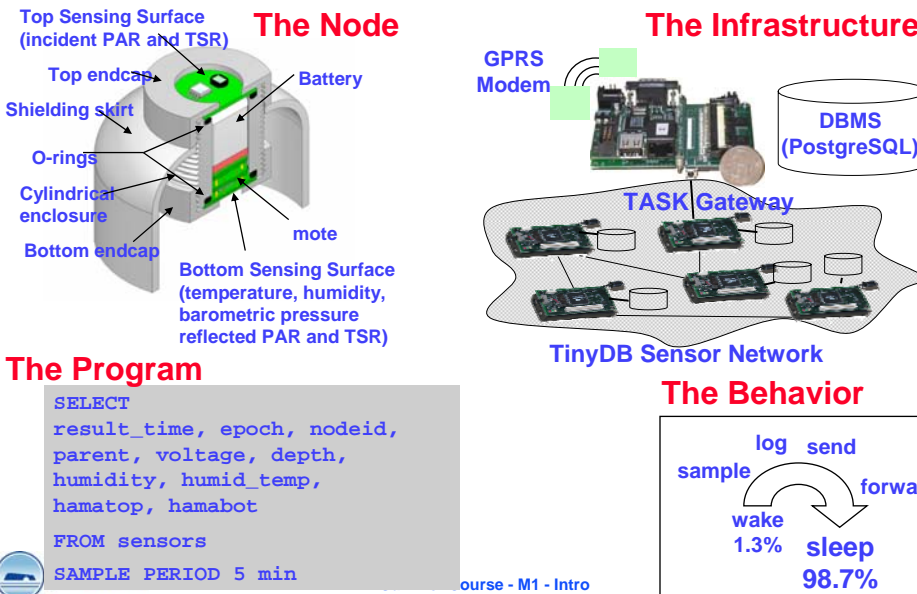


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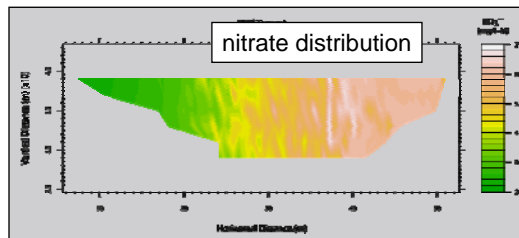
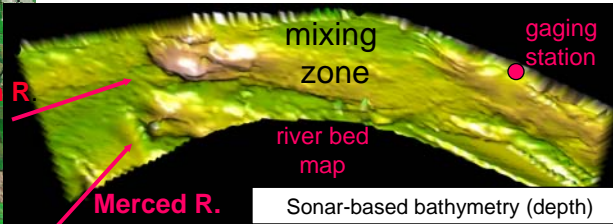
# The Complete Solution



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## NIMS RD Merced and San Joaquin River Confluence (Harmon, Kaiser, et al)



## Environmental Monitoring Characteristics

- Large number of nodes spread over physical space of interest
- Low sample rate (of multiple sensor modes)
  - Further reduced by node signal processing and compression
- Reliable dissemination of configuration, command, or query
- Low-rate scalar data collection
  - Many options for reliability, Predictable reporting delays
- Low duty cycle for long lifetime
  
- Energy availability is application specific
- Extension to event detection and triggering demands more responsive protocols
- Extension to control requires predictable outward routing

## Intel Fab & BP Machine Monitoring

- **Goal: Pre-empt equipment failures through non-destructive analysis**
- **Media Gap: Majority of data is collected by hand**
  - Thousands of sense points
- **Intel Fab and an Oil Tanker engine room**
- **Wireless vibration data collection**
  - High-speed sampling, reliable bulk transfer
  - Sensor-to-Analysis App flow
  - Overcome interference
  - Support disconnected operation
- **Loch Rannoch Network**
  - 150 accelerometers
  - 26 motes
  - 4 stargates
  - 1 PC
- **Efficient installation and management**
  - 36hr install period on tanker
  - No crew intervention

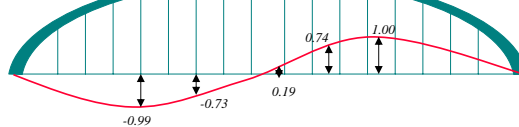


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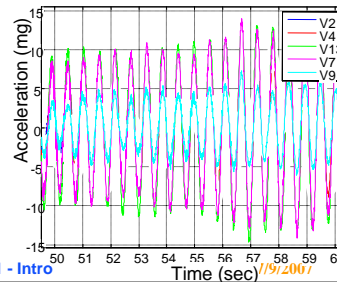
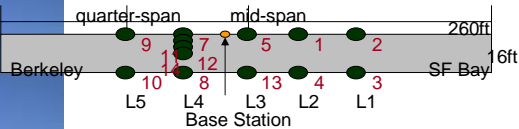
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## GGB Structural Monitoring



Frequency: 1.41 Hz  
Damping Ratio: 2%



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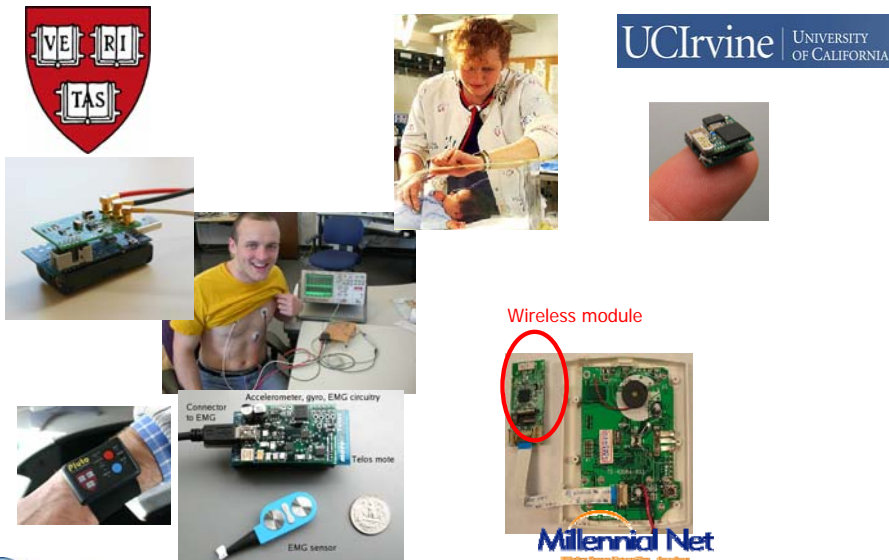
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## Machine Monitoring Characteristics

- Nodes clustered on specific equipment
- High sample rate (over short bursts)
  - Substantial local signal processing
- Control and management is like Env. Monitoring
- Data collection in single-point streams
  - Reliable end-to-end transport
- Shallow networks in practice
- Well understood
  - but not yet well supported
- Energy availability is site specific
- Natural extensions for local access (inspector)
- Structural monitoring is much harder than CBM
  - Time coordinated samples, cross-node data analysis
- Environmental factors critical to sensing accuracy

## Medical Monitoring



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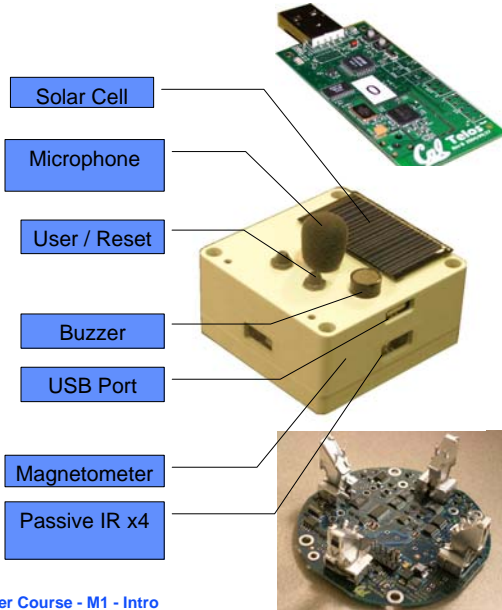
- Logo of the University of California, Irvine (UCIrvine) with the text "UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA".
- A photograph of a medical professional in a white lab coat performing a procedure on a patient's arm.
- A photograph of a person's hand holding a small, black, rectangular device.
- A photograph of a person wearing a yellow shirt with a sensor on their chest, connected to a computer monitor.
- A photograph of a person's arm with a sensor attached.
- A photograph of a circuit board with a red circle around a component, labeled "Wireless module".
- A photograph of a circuit board with labels: "Accelerometer, gyro, EMG circuitry", "Connector to EMG", "Telos mote", and "EMG sensor".
- The logo for "Millennial Net" with the URL "www.millennialnet.org" below it.



# Large-Scale Security and Tracking



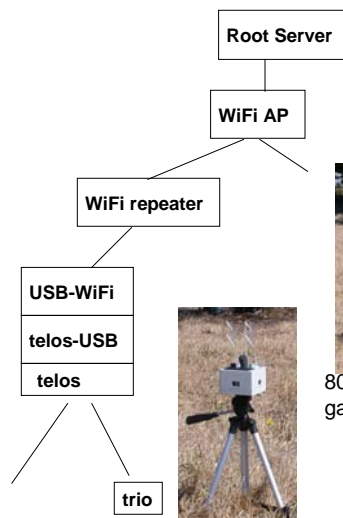
- 557 nodes over several km
- Self-powered, self-maintaining
- 2 person-day deployment
- OTA programming and management infrastructure



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# Example Tiers



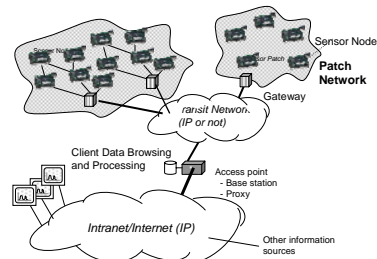
802.15.4 – 802.11 gateway



UCB Trio node



557 node DARPA NEST Aug 05



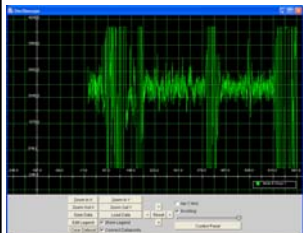
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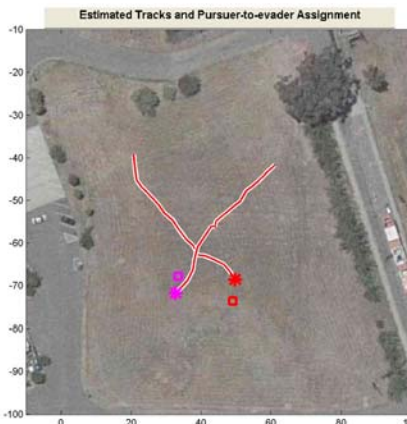
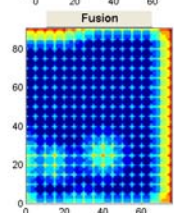
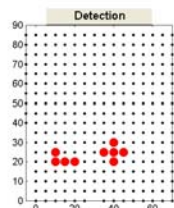
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## Sensing => Understanding



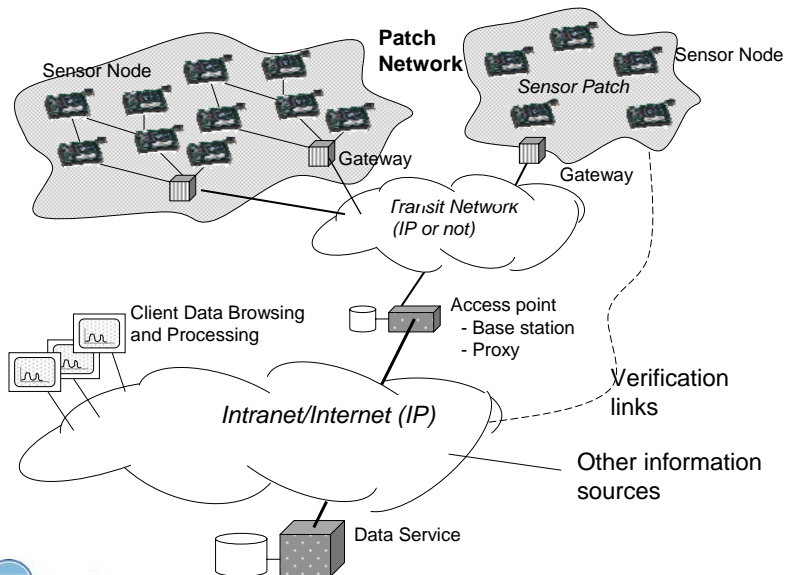
Wireless PIR readings



Plus UAV exfiltration, distributed tracking



## Canonical SensorNet Network Architecture



## Proximity, Tracking, Compliance

**Safety:**  
Chemical-to-chemical safety alerts  
Human-to-chemical safety alerts

**Current Conditions:**  
In Motion, No Magnetic Fields, 67°  
• Humidity Range: 30-35%  
• Temp. Range: 55° - 78°

**Shipping QoS:**  
Motion threshold  
Temperature/humidity threshold

**Home:**  
Lighting

**Energy mgmt environmental**

*"The information about the package is as valuable as the delivery of the package itself."*

-Fred Smith  
CEO, FedEx

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## Interaction Monitoring Characteristics

- **Many different forms of monitoring**
  - Untagged vs tagged items
- **Mobility is central**
  - Mobile nodes moving through stationary networks
  - Networks moving through networks
  - Proximity detection and action
- **Wide range of communication patterns**
  - Mobile-mobile routing
- **Adaptive protocols**
- **Sophisticated routing**
- **Reliability through custody transfer**
- **Deep interactions with IT infrastructure**

## Example: Petroleum Industry

Condition-based Maintenance

Pipelines

integrity security

Safety

Tracking

tank cars

workers

storage

process

assets

*"This technology will transform everything we touch, not just in business but in our personal lives as well."*  
--P.P. Darukhanavala, CTO, British Petroleum

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## Characteristics of Sensor Nets?

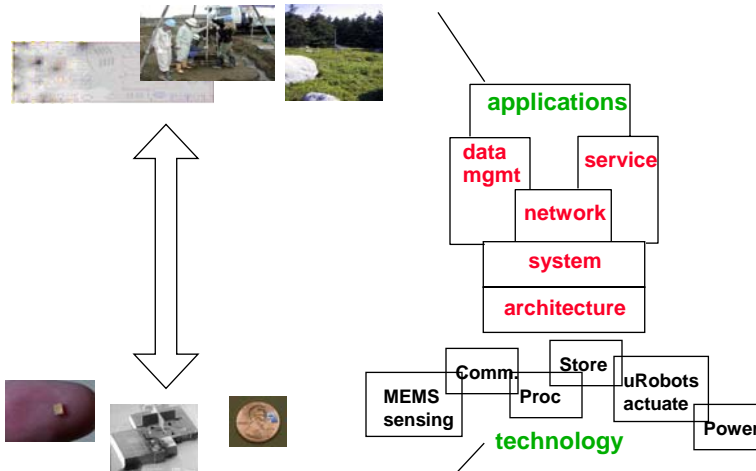
- **Not Universal pt-pt file transfer and keystrokes between hosts!**
- **Aggregate communication**
  - dissemination, data collection, aggregation
- **Resource constraints**
  - Limited bandwidth, limited storage, limited energy
- **In-network processing and storage**
  - Really
- **Intermittent connectivity**
  - Low-power operation, out of range, obstructions
- **Communicate with data or logical services, not just devices**
  - Datacentric
- **Mobility**
  - Devices moving, tags, networks moving through networks

## Core challenges

- **Long-lived, unattended, reliable operation**
  - Power
    - » **Wireless often means self-powered**
      - Batteries
      - Ambient sources (light, current, vibration, heat, ...)
  - Limited Memory
  - Self-organization and Management
  - Error, fault, noise mitigation
- **Ease of broad application development**
  - New forms of information
  - Integration into enterprise processes and actions
  - Extracting value from vast, novel sources of information

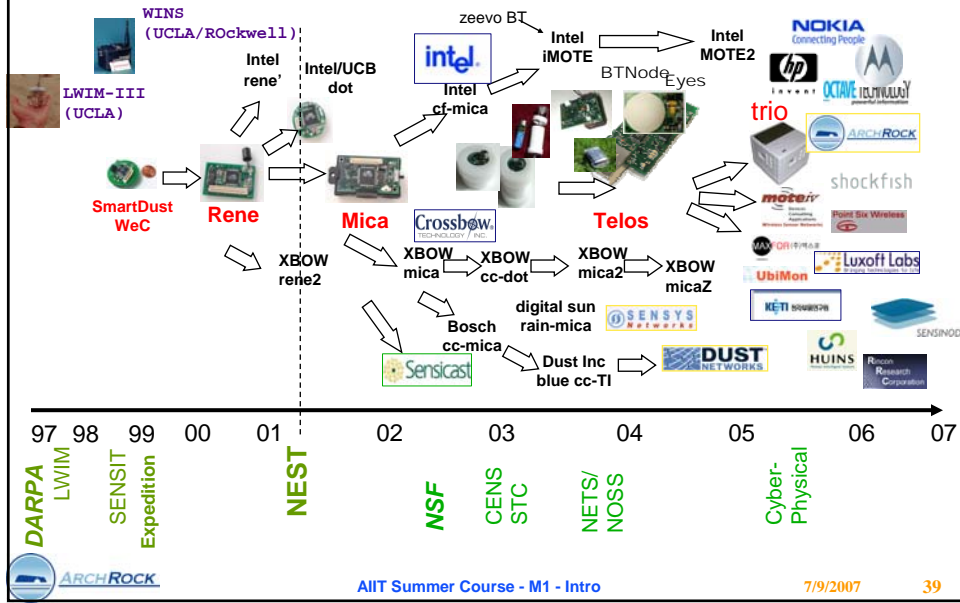
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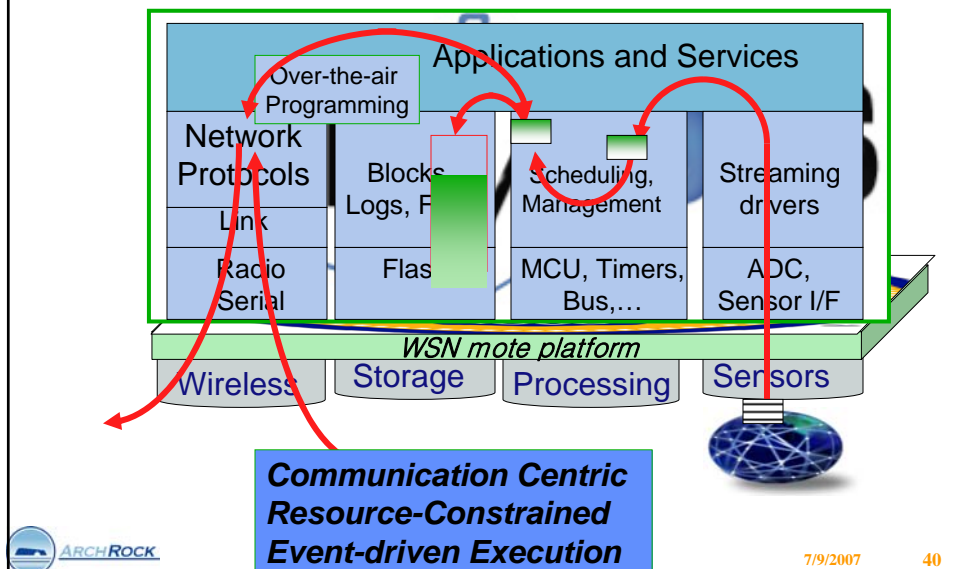


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# Mote Architecture Evolution

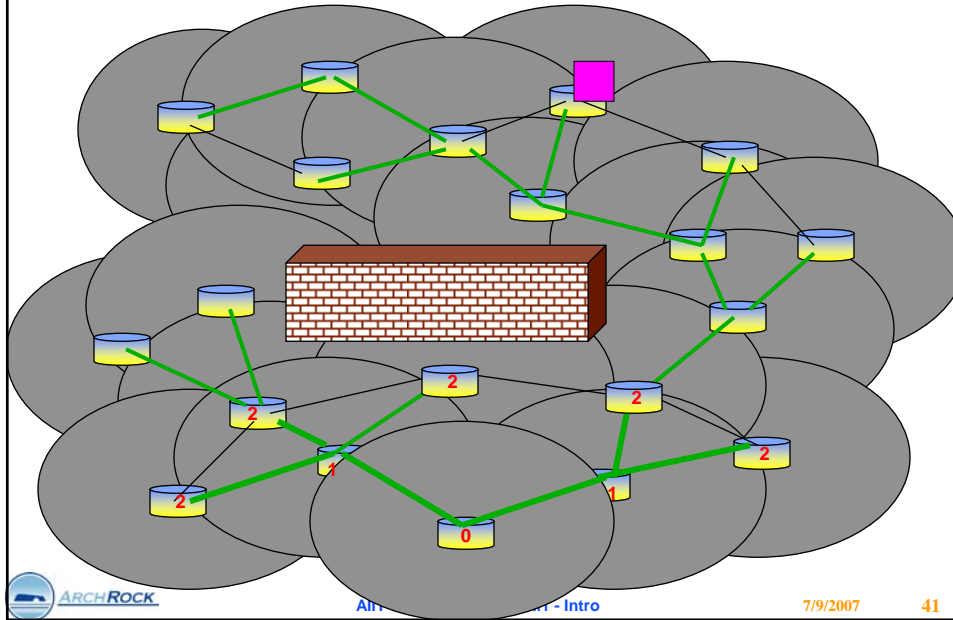


# Operating Systems and Networking





# Self-Organized Mesh Routing



# A worldwide community

The slide displays a collage of logos for various companies and organizations associated with the TinyOS community. The logos include UbiMon, Luxoff Labs, shockfish, Crossbow, ADURA, WIT, LVST, DUST NETWORKS, Millennial Net, Sencicast, Intel, MAMFOR, ARCHROCK, SENSYS Network, streetline networks, ember, hp, NOKIA, and Chipcon. A central pie chart shows the distribution of the community across different countries and regions. The data is as follows:

Country/Region/City	Percentage
United States	30.12%
Korea, Republic of	12.66%
China	6.61%
Italy	5.07%
Germany	5.07%
United Kingdom	5.07%
India	5.07%
Taiwan	5.07%
Canada	5.07%
Japan	5.07%
(other)	5.07%

The slide also features a screenshot of the TinyOS website and a logo for TinyOS. The background is a collage of logos for various companies and organizations associated with the TinyOS community.

## Plan for the Course



Technical Depth and Detail



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Topic 1	Next-Tier of the Internet - IP-based Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN)	TinyOS 2.0 and Application Services	Self-Organized Multi-hop Routing	Timers and System Resources	Micro-Power Systems
Topic 2	WSN Technology and Hardware Architectures	Robust Embedded Networking	Low-Power Wireless Communication	Time-Synch & Embedded Distributed Systems	Security and Reliability
Topic 3	Operating Systems for Communication-centric Devices	Embedded Web Services and Industrial Standards	6LoWPAN and IP Concepts	In-networking Processing and Sensor Data Analysis	Future Developments
Lab	Experience with IP-based Wireless Sensor Networks	Making USNs ubiquitous - build WSN applications as Web Services	Using IP and 6LoWPAN Networking	TinyOS 2.0 based embedded Applications	Deep Embedded Systems Development or Self-Directed



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## Perspective on the Labs



- **Traditional TinyOS “bootcamp”**
  - Start with raw hardware, learn installation tools, learn lowest level system concepts, follow series of lessons from blinking the LED, on up.
  - If lucky have very basic “hello” app at the end
- **This week’s State-of-the Art approach**
  - Begin with complete sensor network solution – rich application, built on web services, over embedded IP, robust, low-power, responsive mesh networking.
  - Deploy and test custom application, and work our way down
  - Web services – full programmatic access from the infrastructure
  - IP network layer
  - Embedded programming on a powerful, communication-centric kernel
  - Experience with the open-source tools and code base.



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## Technology That We'll Use

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- **Broad Open-Source Resources**
  - [www.tinyos.net](http://www.tinyos.net), <http://sourceforge.net/projects/tinyos/>
    - » TinyOS 2.0, NesC
  - Sourceforge, Cygwin, Redhat, FSF, GCC, PHP., Java, ...
- **Key Commercial Offerings**
  - Mote Hardware
    - » Arch Rock, KETI, Crossbow, Moteiv, Maxfor, ...
  - IP / Web Service Based Wireless Sensor Network Solution
    - » Arch Rock Primer Pack / IP
  - Widely available Wintel / Linux systems, networking & Prog.

## Questions

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