



oneM2M's Value Proposition to Application Developers

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IoT deployments are getting more complex

- Many IoT deployments typically start off small (e.g. PoCs)
 - Typically focused on a single use case within a single vertical
 - Typically starts off in a controlled environment having limited complexity
- As IoT deployments evolve, so does their complexity
 - Complexity is often fueled by the need to connect up diverse types of IoT devices to satisfy deployment requirements
 - Rarely do you find all devices needed for a given deployment based on the same set of technologies

Example Use Case Deployment – Smart City

Smart City deployments commonly have a very diverse set of IoT devices based on many different types of technologies.



Some examples of varying technologies:

- Underlying Networks
- Security Frameworks
- Transport Protocols
- **Content Serializations**
- Service/Management
- Semantic Ontologies

Source: www.itproportal.com

The IoT App Developer

- IoT App Developers build apps that interact with IoT devices
- Typical types of interaction
 - Collect and analyze sensor readings
 - E.g. Monitor and predict traffic congestion
 - Issue commands to actuator
 - E.g. Turn on/off valves
 - Manage IoT devices
 - E.g. Upgrade a device's firmware



Source: www.ircrwireless.com

Typical IoT App Developer "Pain Points"

\rightarrow Lots of different IoT devices that use varying combinations of technologies

IoT Device Underlying Networks	• E.g. Cellular, Fixed, Wi-FI,
IoT Device Security Models	• E.g. DTLS, TLS, PSK, PKI,
IoT Device Transport Protocols	 E.g. HTTP(s), CoAP(s), MQTT(s), WebSockets,
IoT Device Content Serializations	• E.g. XML, JSON, CBOR, Plain-Text,
IoT Services and Management Technologies	 E.g. OCF, LWM2M, Thread, OMA DM, TR-069,
IoT Device Semantic Ontologies	• E.g. SAREF, W3C TD,

\rightarrow Building an app that targets multiple device types can be challenging

oneM2M's Value Proposition to Developers → Abstraction, Abstraction, Abstraction!



→ Via its capabilities to abstract, oneM2M hides from the App Developer the complexities involved with interacting with a diverse set of IoT devices

Underlying network abstraction

- oneM2M manages the connectivity and communication to IoT devices on behalf of the apps
 - Scheduling and buffering of messages based on device reachability
 - Selection of underlying network connectivity options for device communication
 - Triggering of devices to establish a network connection based on when apps need to communicate with devices



IoT device security abstraction

- oneM2M hides the different security frameworks of each IoT device technology from the App Developer.
- A Developer's app can establish a security association with the oneM2M service layer and via this security association, communicate securely with IoT devices
- The oneM2M service layer establishes and manages the security association with each of the IoT devices on behalf of the app
 - Enrolment, credential bootstrap/management, authentication, integrity, privacy, and authorization network connectivity of the devices from the app developer.



Transport protocol abstraction

- oneM2M hides the different transport protocols used by the devices from the App Developer.
- Applications can use different transport protocols than the different devices they choose to communicate with
 - E.g. HTTP(s), CoAP(s), MQTT(s), WebSockets
- oneM2M will handle converting the transport protocol so the App Developer does not need to



Content serialization abstraction

- oneM2M hides the different content serializations used by the devices from the App Developer.
- Applications can use different types of content serialization formats than the one or more devices they choose to communicate with
 - E.g. XML, JSON, CBOR, Plain-Text
- oneM2M will convert the content serialization format so the App Developer does not have to



IoT device services and management abstraction

- oneM2M interworks with various IoT device service enablement and management technologies
 - E.g. LWM2M, OCF, OMA DM, BBF TR-069, ...
 - All devices are presented to the App via oneM2M API
 - Via standardized oneM2M API, App developers can use device services and manage devices
- Once the data model is abstracted into oneM2M, App Developers can access all devices in a common manner and make use of oneM2M value-add capabilities such as
 - Resource Discovery
 - Generating Events via subscriptions and notifications
 - Grouping
 - Access Controls



IoT device semantics abstraction

- oneM2M supports a semantic framework
- This framework supports semantic ontology interworking
 - Ontologies defined by other organizations can be used in the oneM2M framework to describe oneM2M resources in a semantic manner
- The framework supports semantic ontology abstraction
 - oneM2M defines its own technology that can be used to describe oneM2M resources in a semantic manner
 - Semantic descriptions expressed in terms of other ontologies can be interworked to oneM2M's Base Ontology to provide abstraction



Takeaways

- → IoT deployments can have diverse types of IoT devices that can cause complexity for IoT App Developers
- → Via its abstraction capabilities, oneM2M is able to hide this complexity from the App Developer!



Thank You!!!

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