



Building seCure, Heterogeneous, and Effective Networks

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My Journey



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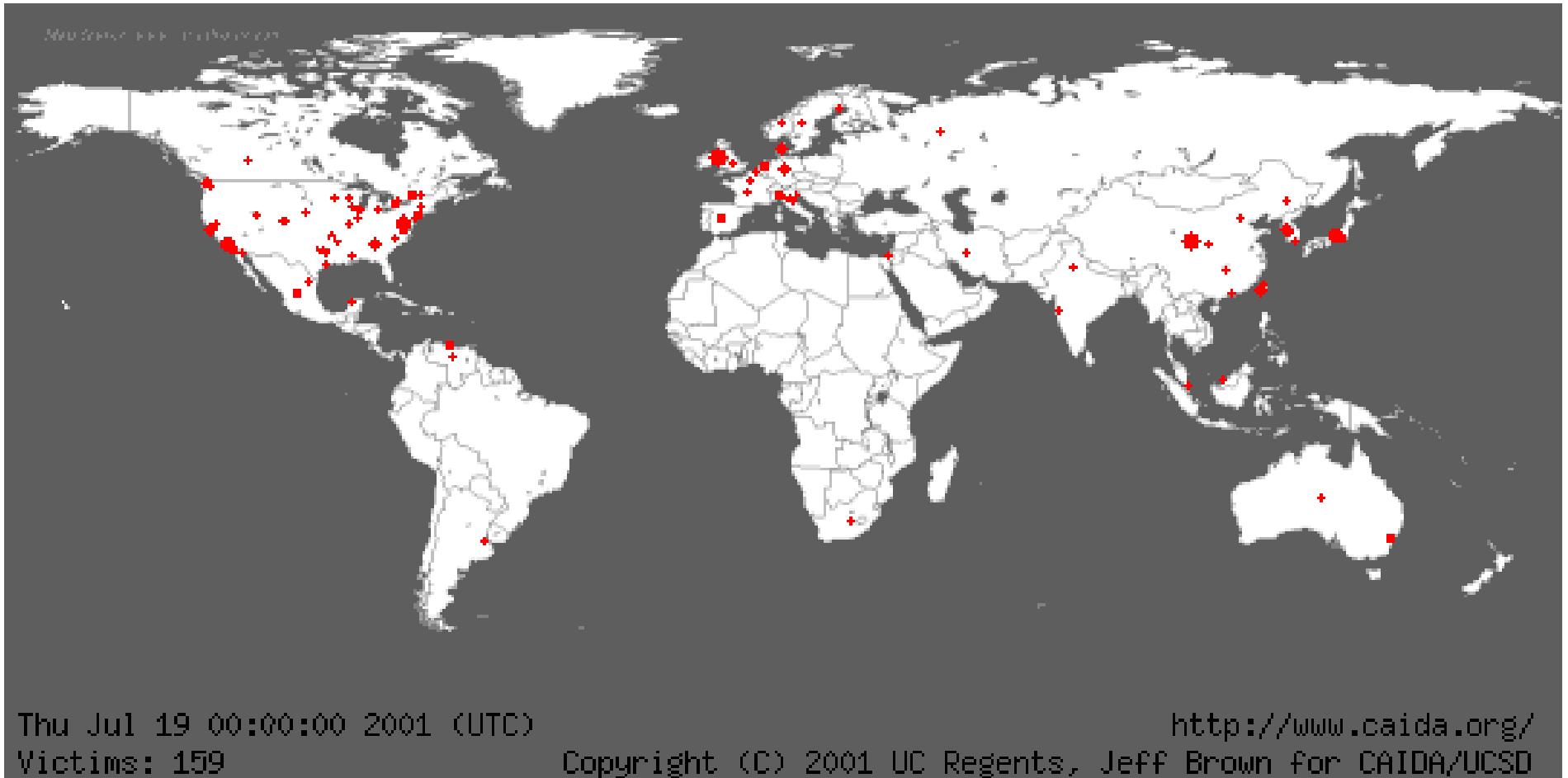


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- Epidemic Thresholds and Spread in Complex Networks
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- Impact of My Research

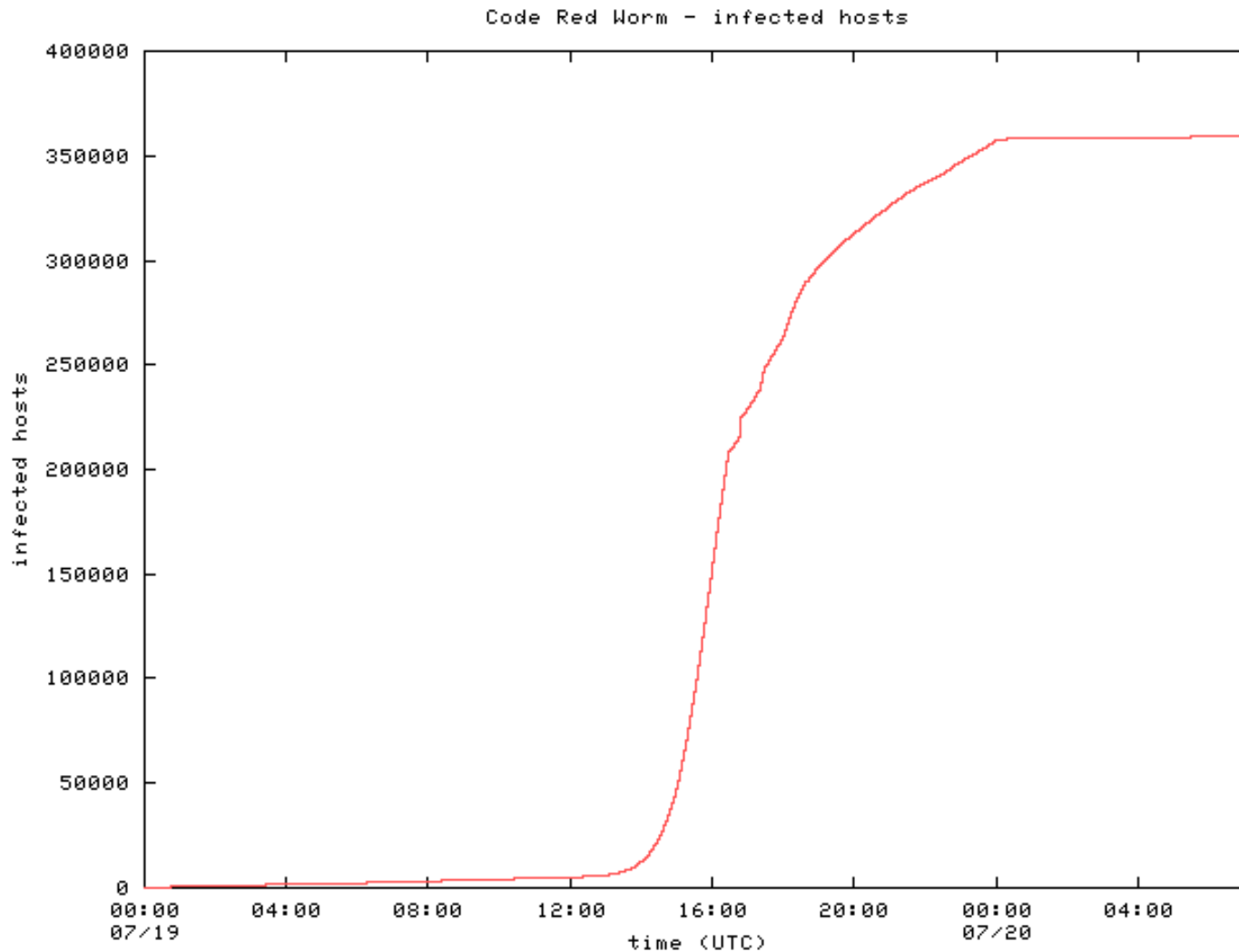


Illustration of the Spread of Code Red v2 (From CAIDA)





Spread of Code Red v2 (from David Moore's analysis)



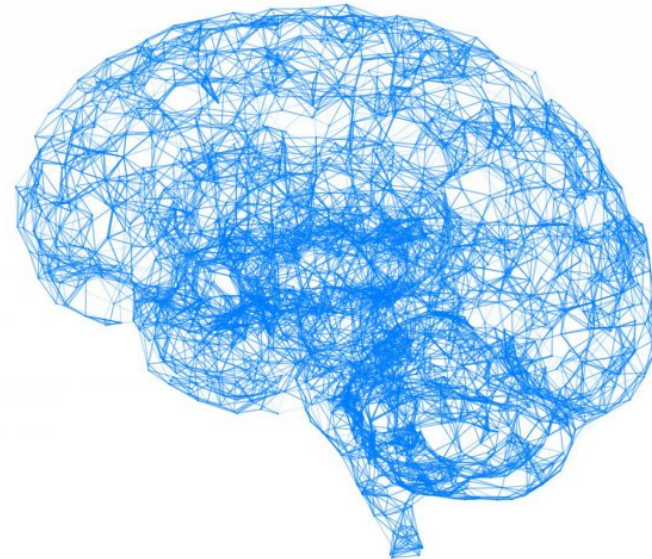
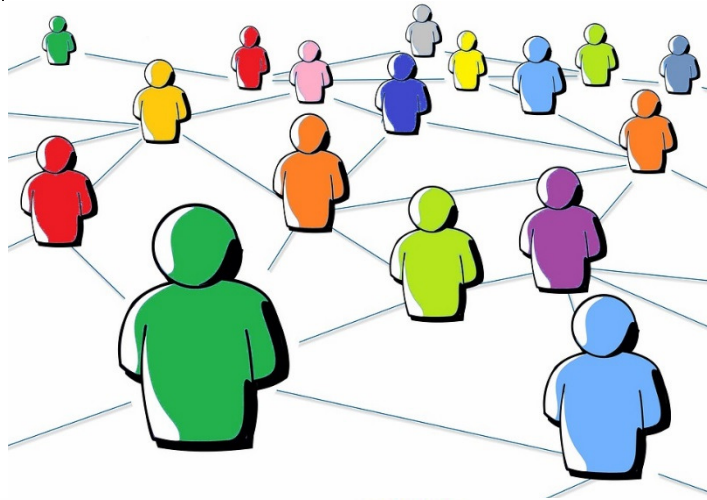


Ph.D. Study

- Provide **theoretical** foundation for worm propagation
 - Mathematical framework and models
 - Analytical active worm propagation (AAWP) model
 - Optimal and suboptimal worm scanning methods
 - Importance scanning and self-learning worms
 - Information-theoretical view of worm propagation
 - Non-uniformity factor
 - Game theory between attackers and defenders
- Give **practical** implications for worm defense



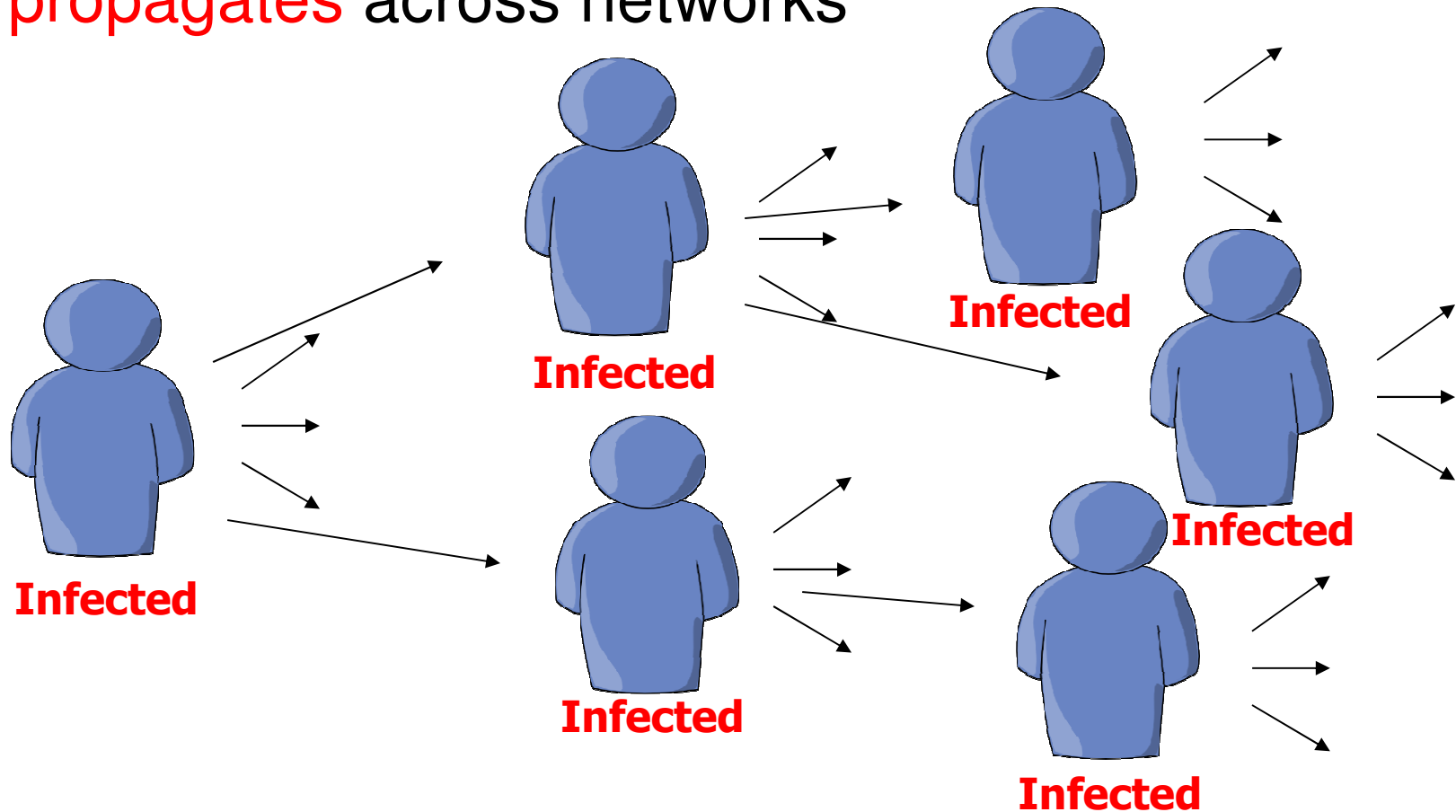
Epidemic Spread in Complex Networks





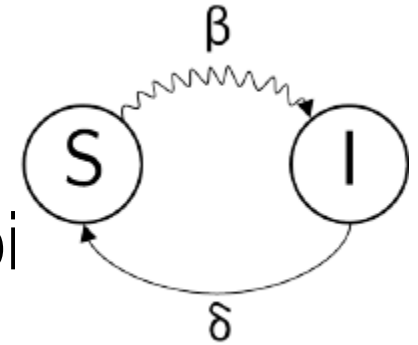
Epidemic Process

- Epidemic process is a process that information **self-propagates** across networks





Epidemic Thresholds



- **Fundamental** metric used to evaluate epidemic spread
- **Condition** on which an information will either die out or become epidemic
- In Susceptible-Infected-Susceptible (SIS) model
 - Birth rate
 - Death rate
 - Ratio between birth rate and death rate
 - $\beta / \delta >$ epidemic threshold, become epidemic
 - $\beta / \delta \leq$ epidemic threshold, die out



State of the Art

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}(A)}$$

- $\lambda_{max}(A)$ is the largest eigenvalue of the adjacency matrix A of the network

Assume that the states of nodes in the network are **independent of each other!**



Our Discovery

$$\tau_{c,ind} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}(A)}$$



$$\tau_{c,mar} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}(A)(1 - \rho)}$$



Mathematical Framework

- $X_i(t)$: status of node i at time t

$$X_i(t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{0}, & \text{if susceptible} \\ \mathbf{1}, & \text{if infected} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta = P(X_i(t+1) = \mathbf{0} \mid X_i(t) = \mathbf{1})$$

$$I_i(t) = P(X_i(t+1) = \mathbf{1} \mid X_i(t) = \mathbf{0})$$

$$P(X_i(t+1) = \mathbf{1}) = P(X_i(t) = \mathbf{1})(1 - \delta) + P(X_i(t) = \mathbf{0}) I_i(t)$$



Spatial Approximation

- Complex equation

$$P(X_{N_i}(t) = x_{N_i}(t) \mid X_i(t) = \mathbf{0})$$

- Independent model
 - Spatial independence

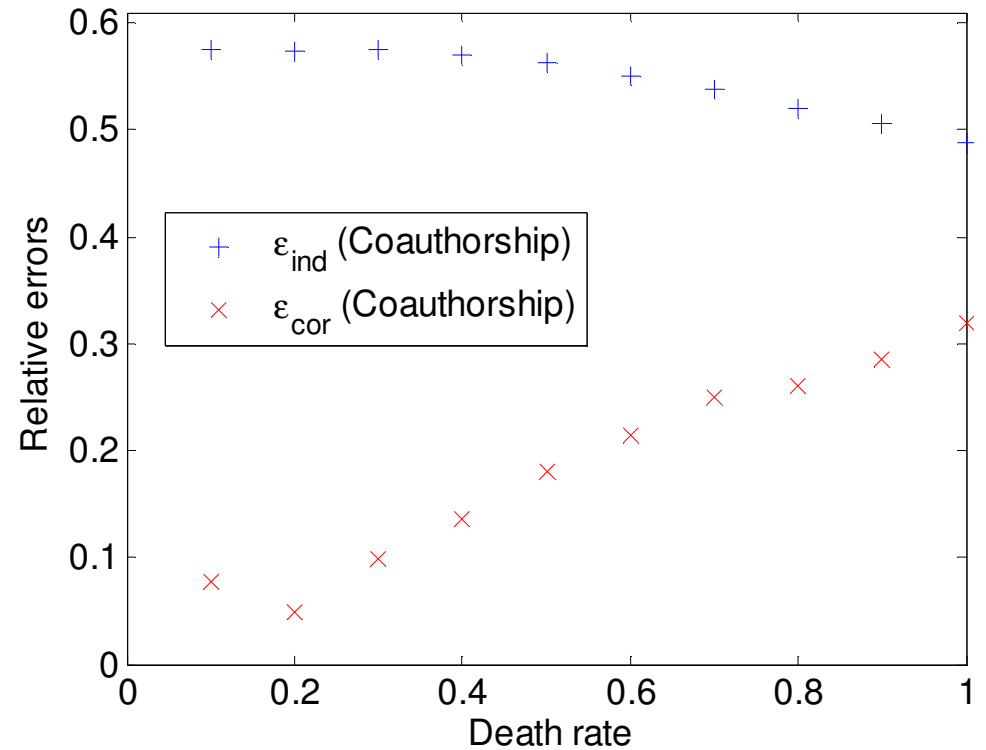
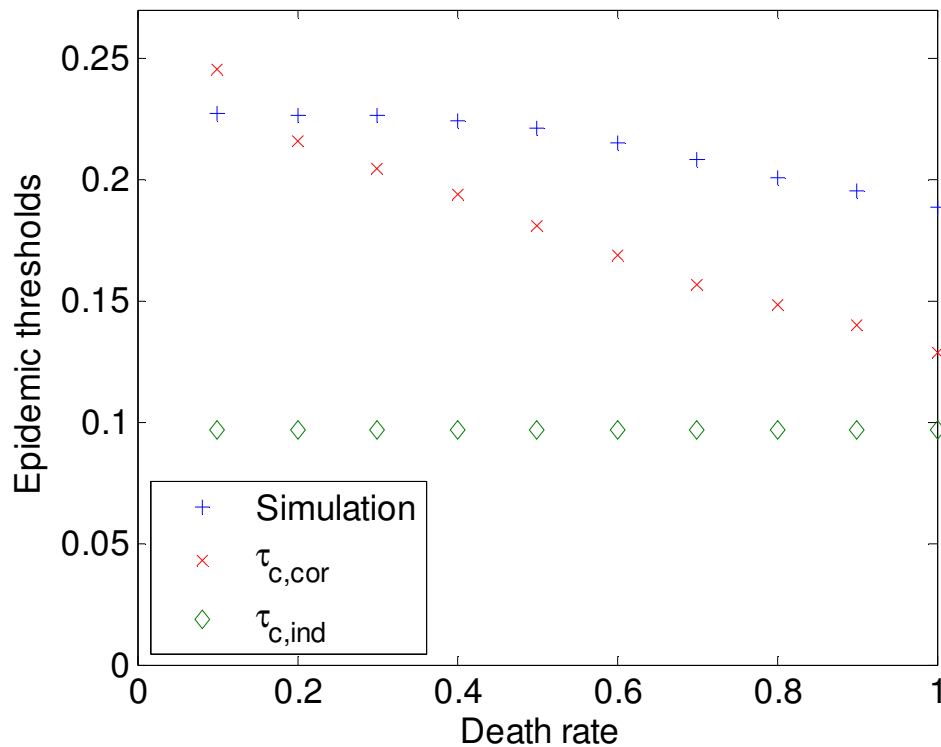
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- Markov model
 - Conditional independence
 - Certain spatial dependence

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Performance Evaluation (Coauthorship Network)





Birth Rates and Death Rates

- The actual birth/infection rates and death/recovery rates are **heterogeneous**

$$\beta \rightarrow \beta_{ij}$$

$$\delta \rightarrow \delta_i$$

- Compared with the homogeneous case, how do heterogeneous infection rates and recovery rates **affect** epidemic thresholds?



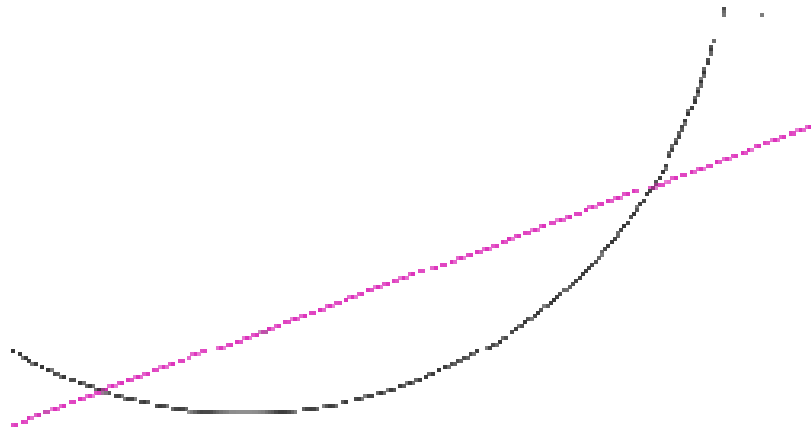
Intuition

$$E[f(x)] \neq f(E(x))$$

■ Jensen's inequality

- If $f(x)$ is a convex function

$$E[f(x)] \geq f(E(x))$$



From: Wikipedia page
of Jensen's inequality

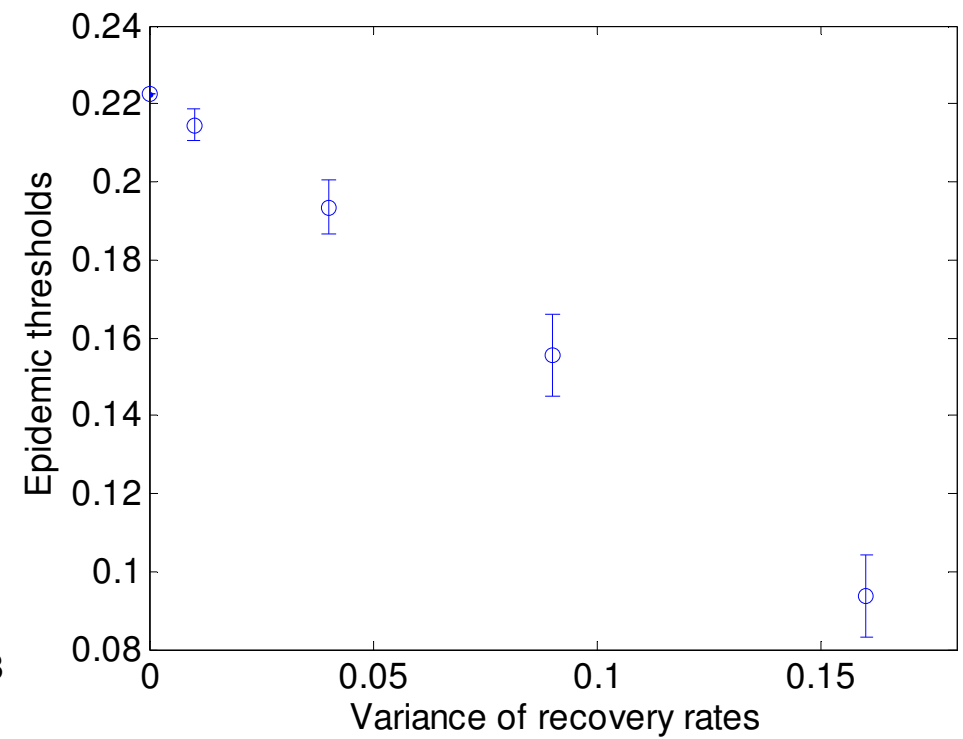
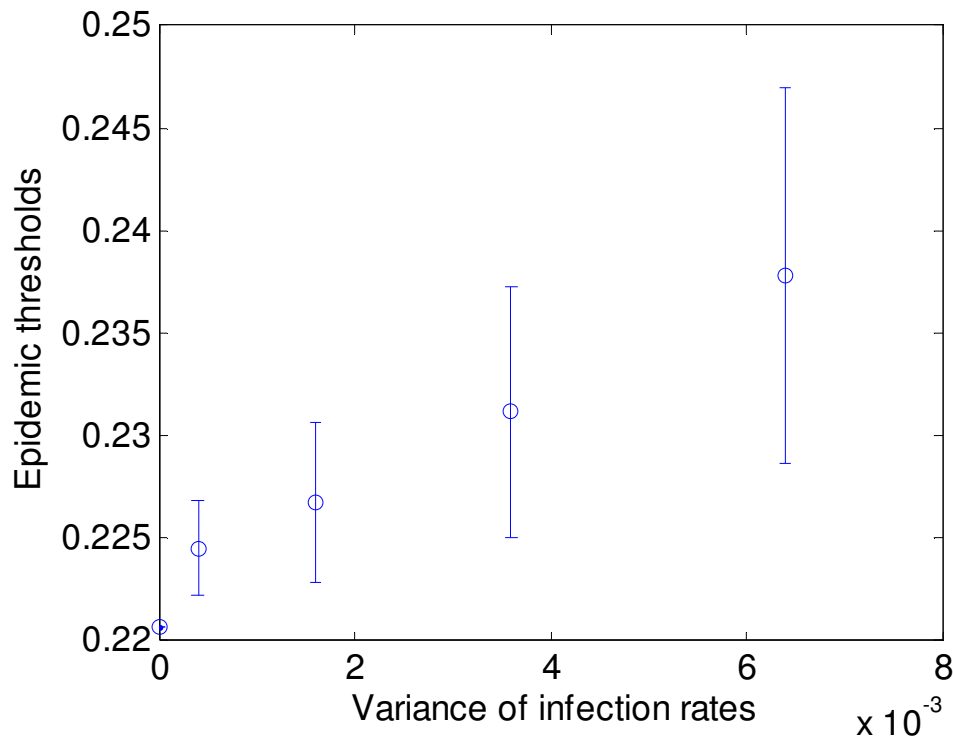


Our Discovery

- The heterogeneity in **infection** rates leads to a **larger** epidemic threshold than in the homogeneous case
 - Moreover, as the degree of the heterogeneity of infection rates gets higher, the epidemic threshold increases
- The heterogeneity in **recovery** rates generates a **smaller** epidemic threshold than in the homogeneous case
 - The epidemic threshold decreases as the degree of the heterogeneity of recovery rates gets higher



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Internet of Things (IoT)

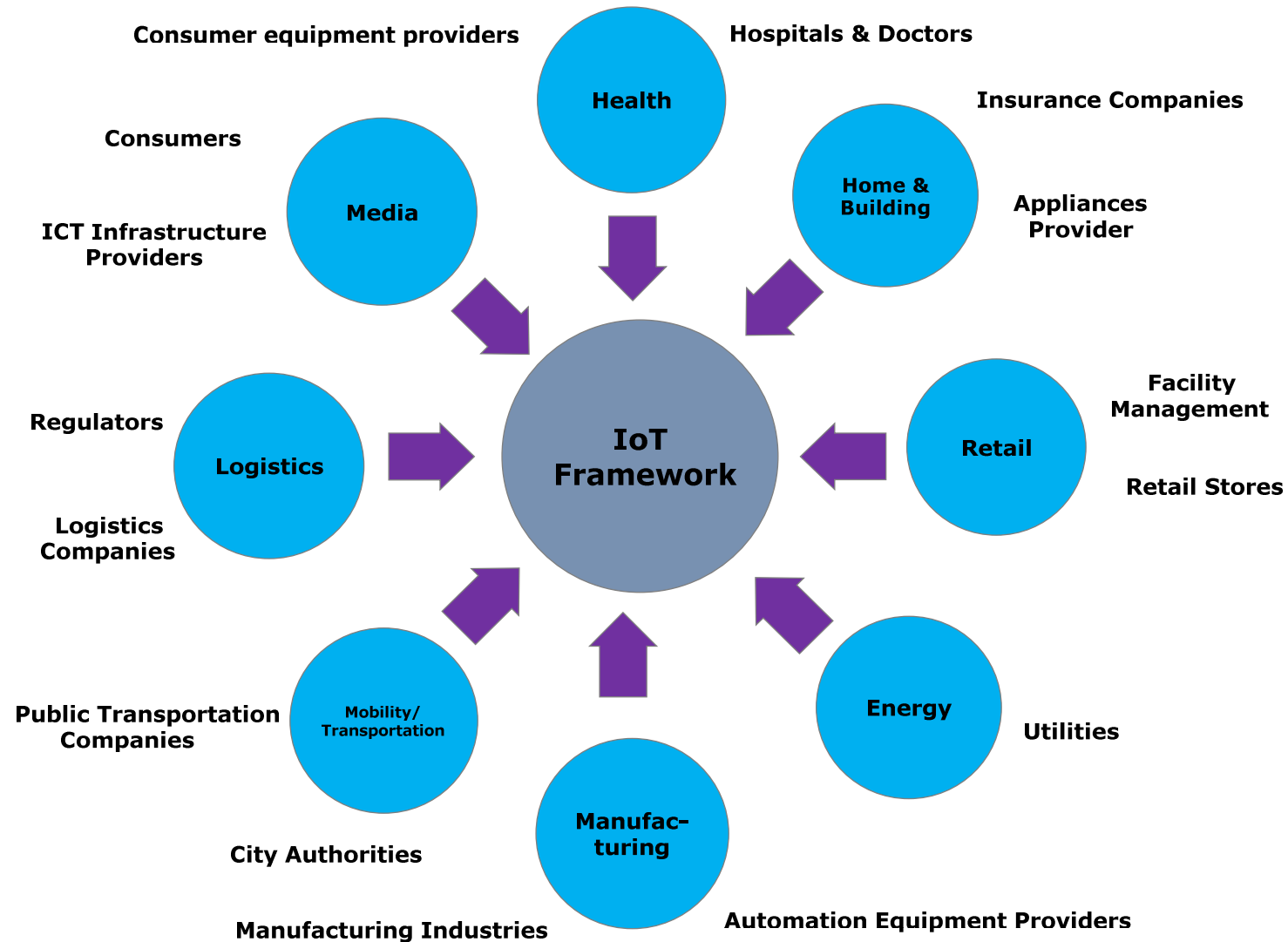
- IoT is **not** a second Internet.
- “A network of items – each embedded with sensors – which are connected to the Internet.”

– *IEEE Institute*

- By 2020, there will be around 30 billion devices connected to the Internet.
- The IoT’s **true** value lies in the data that interconnected items share.

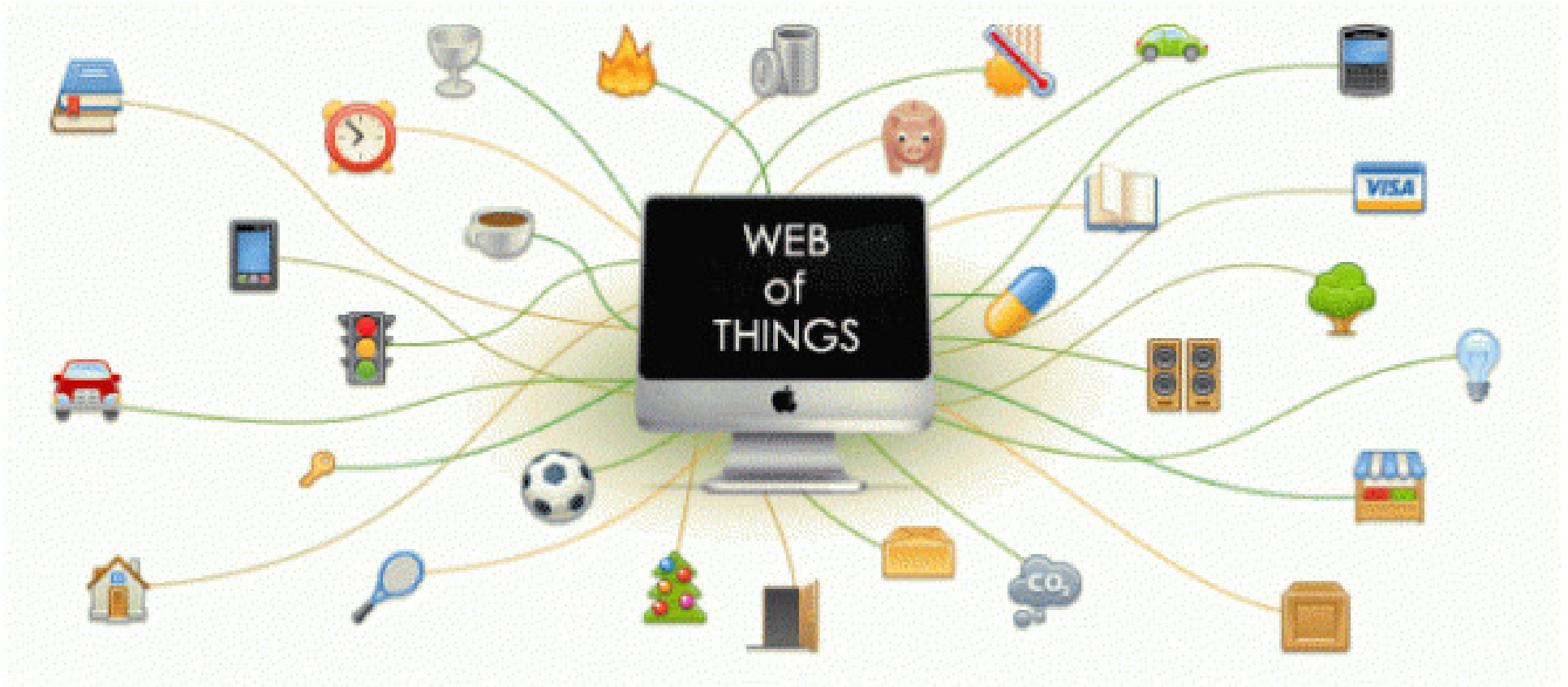


IoT Applications (From *IEEE Institute*)



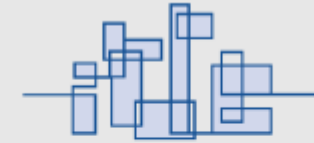


My Approach and Focus





Smart Home



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Welcome

test

Add User

View Users

Logout

Dashboard

Current Temperature

71.60

Turn Fan On

Turn Fan Off

Oscillate Fan

Adjust Speed

Camera



Take Picture

Record Video

Reset Camera

Light Status

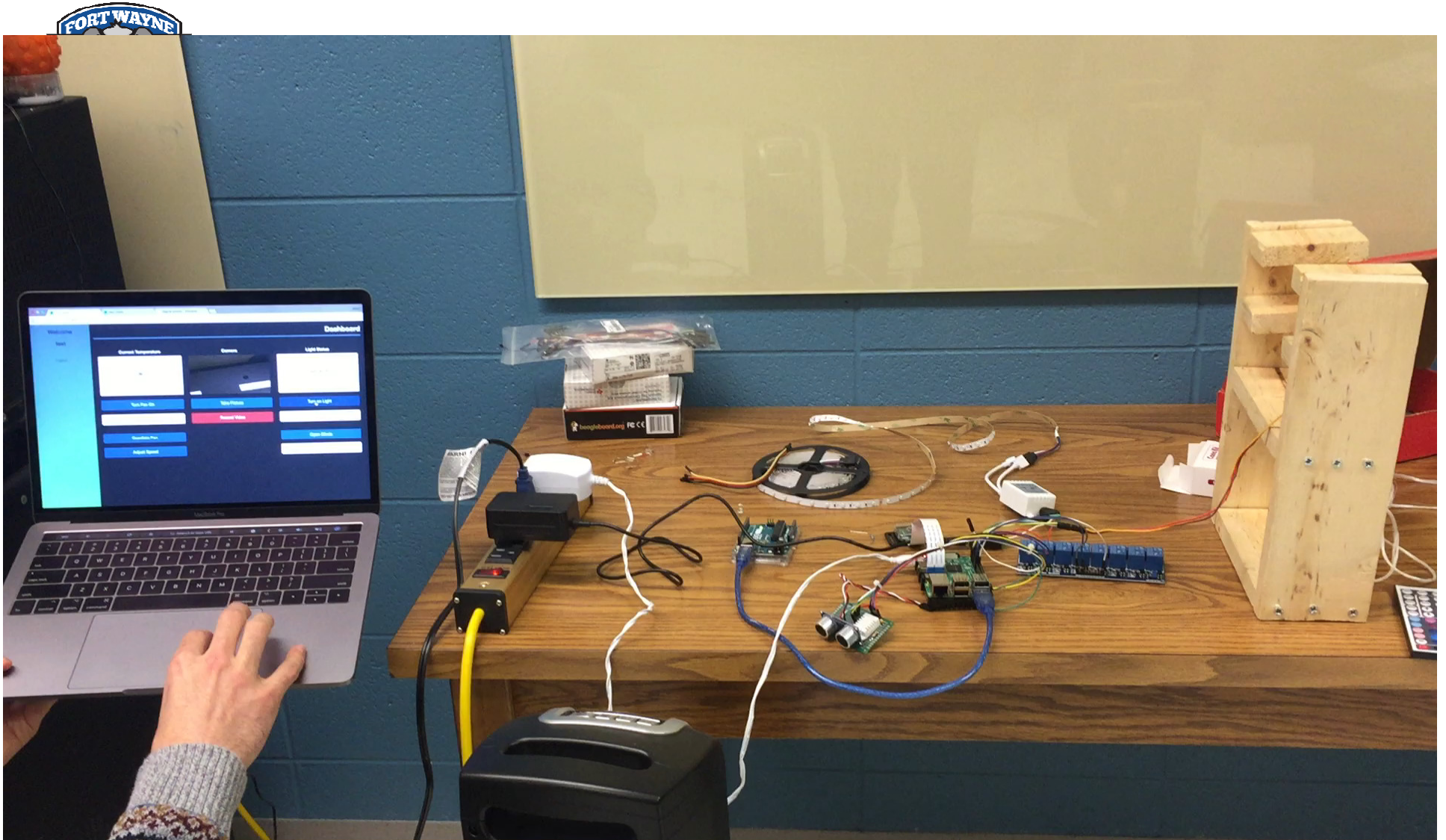
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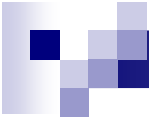
Turn on Light

Turn Off Light

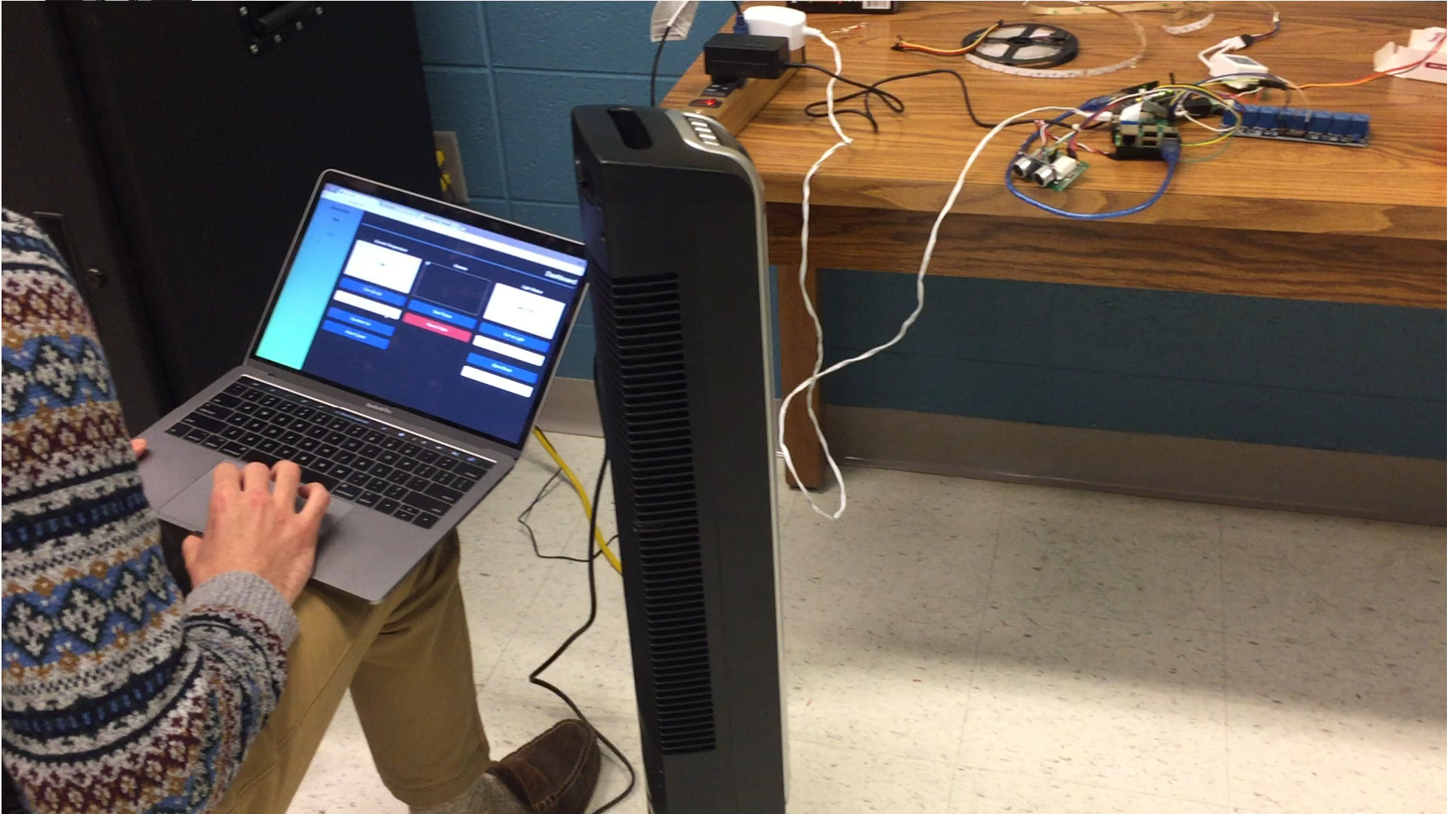
Open Blinds

Close Blinds





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Welcome
test
Logout

Dashboard

Current Temperature	Camera	Light Status
71.42 ° F		Light is On
Turn Fan On	Take Picture	Turn on Light
Turn Fan Off	Record Video	Turn Off Light
Oscillate Fan		Open Blinds
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Building an Affordable Smart Home Based on the Internet of Things

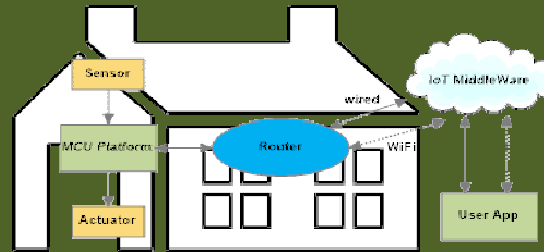
Urvi Joshi, Aaron Dills, Eric Biazio, Cameron Cook
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Introduction

The Internet of Things (IoT) is made up of multiple Internet-connected devices with sensors. A smart home is one where you can control household devices remotely.

There are currently several smart home systems on the market. Some of the more popular ones include Google Home and Amazon Echo. However, both these systems are very expensive and only control devices that are compatible with them. For someone wanting to keep costs low and control devices they already have, Google Home and Amazon Echo are not practical options.

Our team has created a low cost smart home system which interfaces with devices people already have. Our system can turn on and off lights and fans, open and close blinds, and take pictures and videos from a security camera. A user can interact with our system using a web application that we developed.



Contribution

The main contribution of this research is to build a basic, affordable smart home system that, with a few modifications, can be used with most lights, blinds, and fans already in many homes, based on the technologies of the IoT. It also serves as a starting point for a more advanced system that controls more devices and provides more security alerts.

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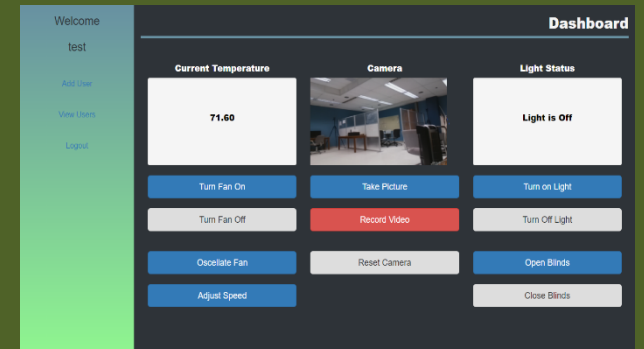
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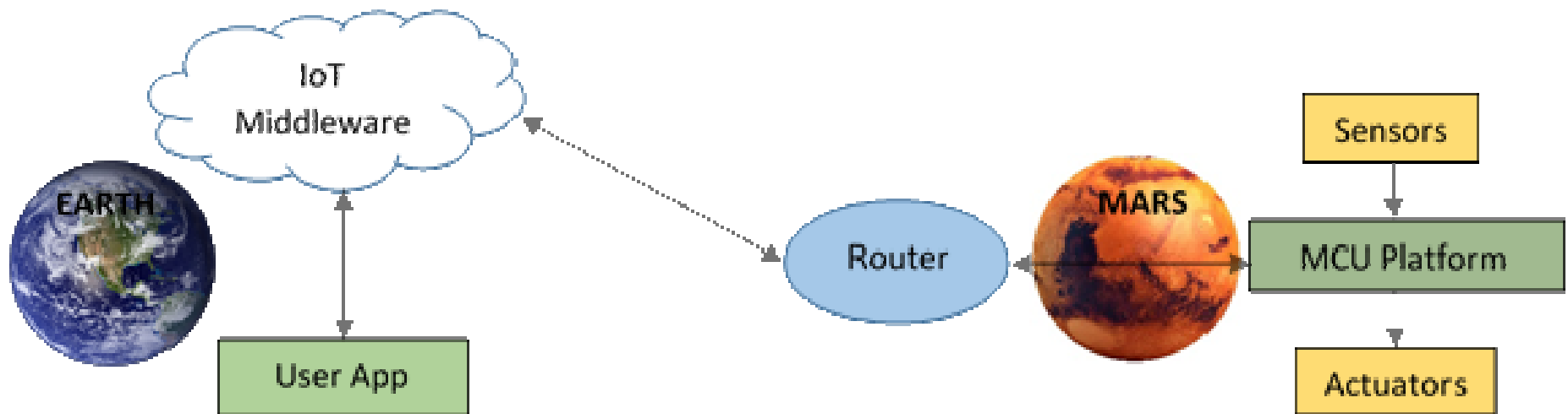
Design Components

The MCU platform used is a Raspberry Pi 3 Model B, which hosts a website and interfaces with sensors and actuators. The sensors include a temperature sensor and a security camera. The actuators are lights, blinds, and a fan. To obtain the high quality live camera feed, we use another dedicated Raspberry Pi to collect camera data. An Arduino interfaces with the fan. The user application is a web browser in the user's smart phone, tablet, or computer. A user can view the data from sensors and control the actuators through the web browser. For example, when a user clicks a button (e.g., "Turn on Light") in the web page, the request is sent to the MCU (i.e., Raspberry Pi), and the MCU interfaces with an actuator (e.g., light) to carry out the user's request.



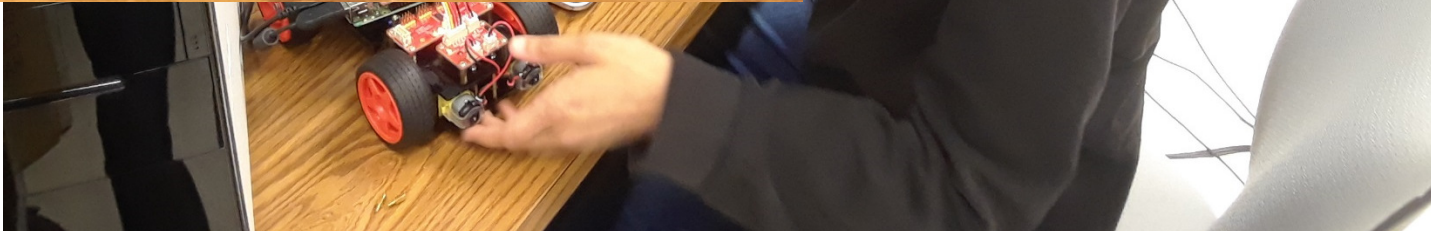
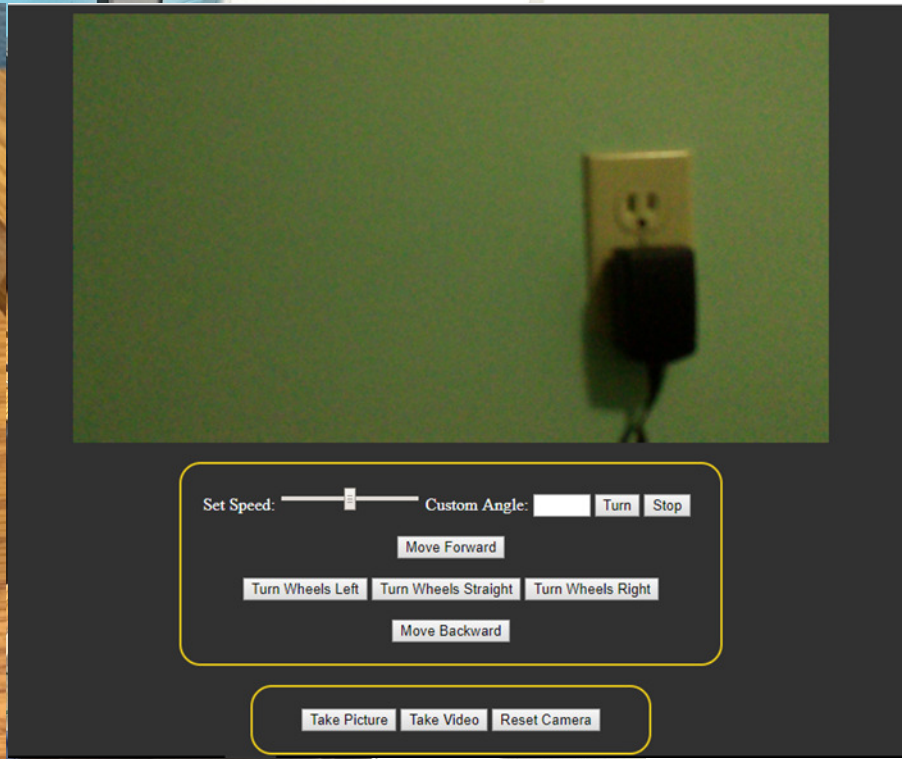
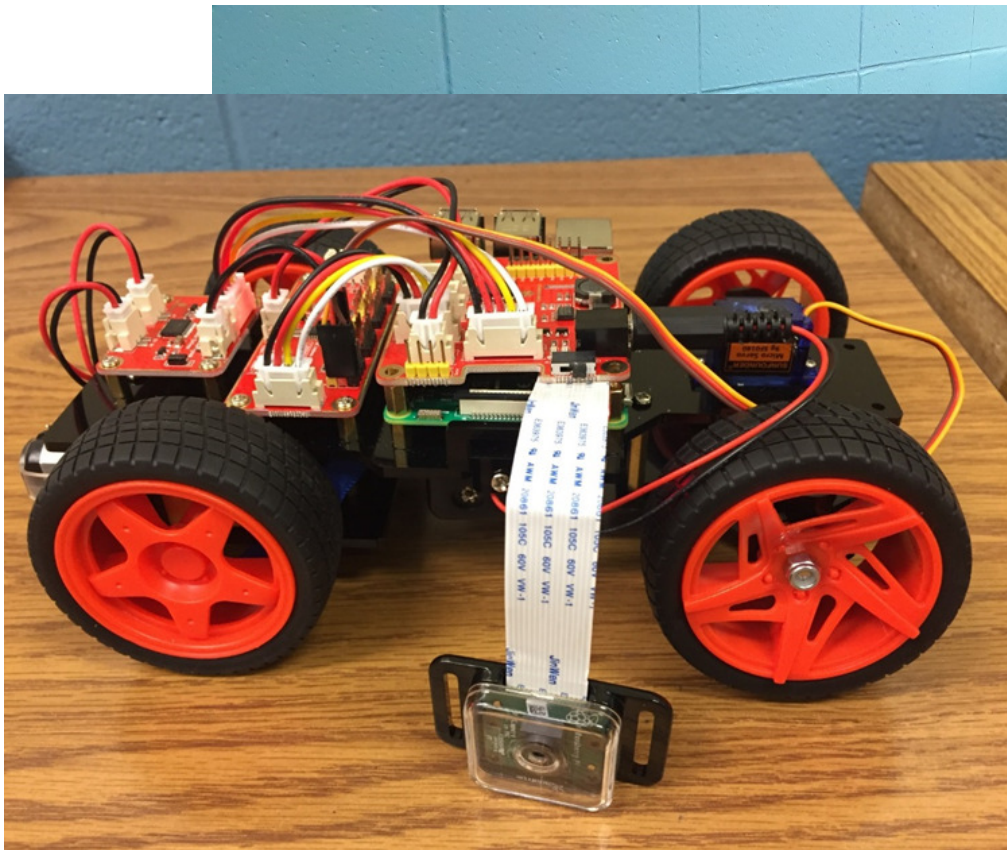


IoT in Space



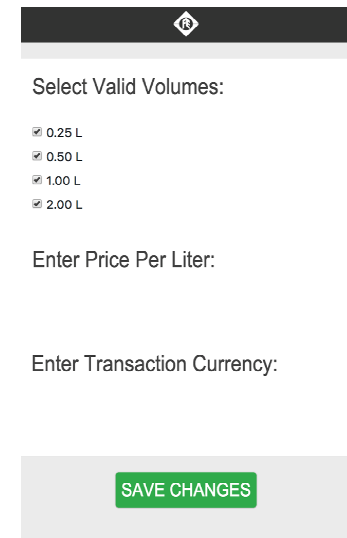
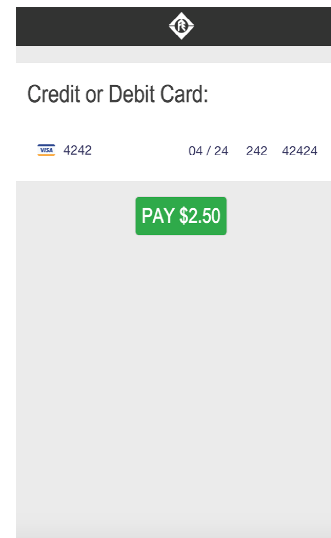
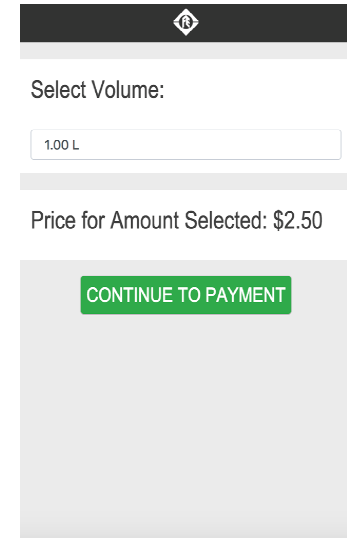


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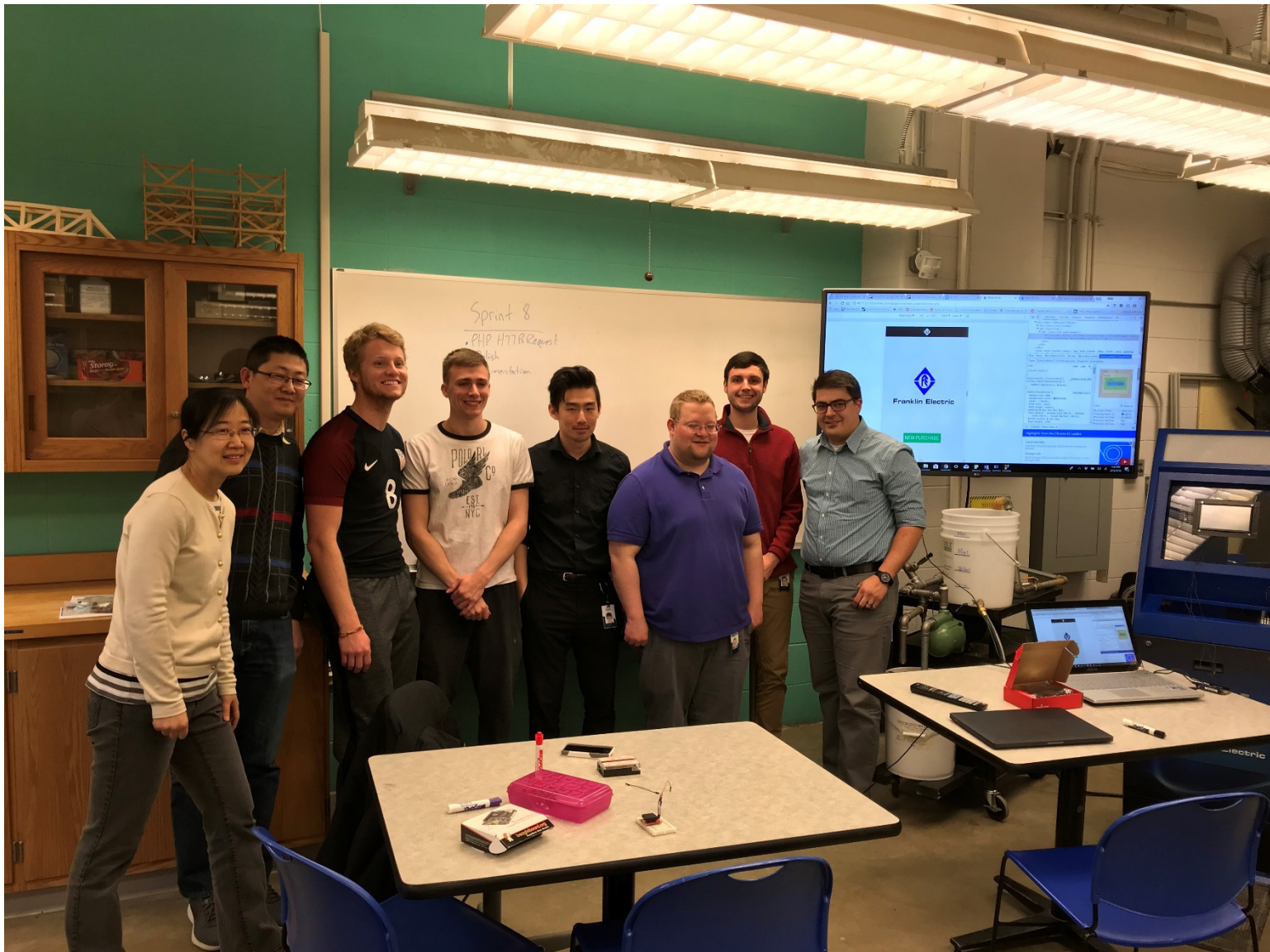


Senior Design Projects





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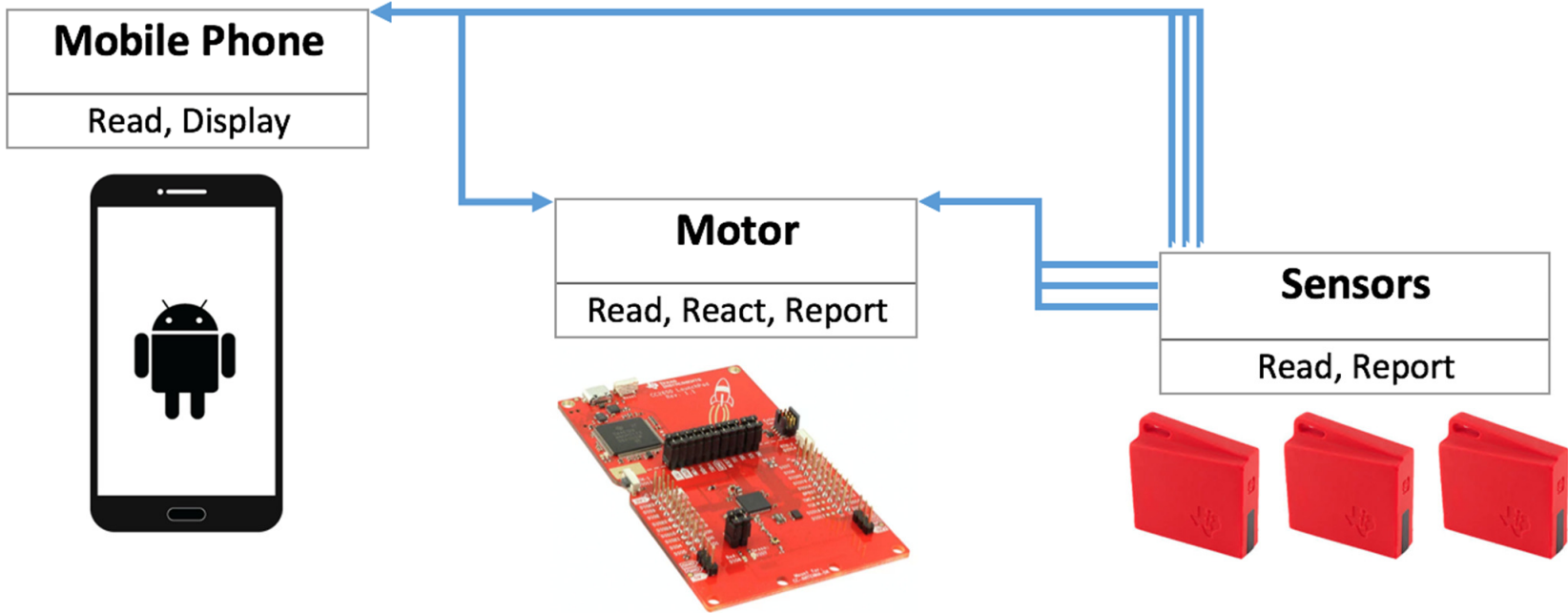
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Read, Display



Motor
Read, React, Report



Sensors
Read, Report





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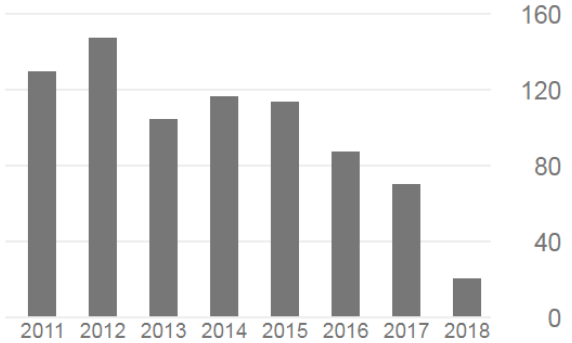
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