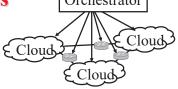
Current Trends in Networking With Applications to Internet of Things and Smart Cities Orchestrator



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- 1. Hot topics for research impact
- 2. Current Trends/hot topics in Networking
- 3. Areas for Research for Smart Cities
- 4. Blockchains for Smart Cities and Cyber Security

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Selecting the Right Problems

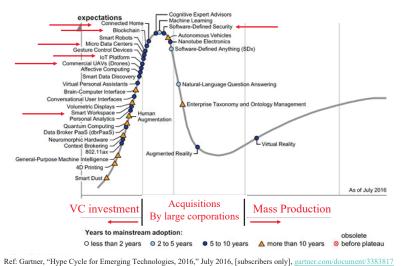
- ☐ Important question for **students**, academics, entrepreneurs, and companies
- □ Goal: To impact
- □ Follow the **paradigm shifts**:
- > 1980: Ethernet
- > 1990: ATM Networks
- > 2000: Optical Networks
- > 2005: Wireless Networks
- > 2010: Next Generation Internet/SDN
- > 2013: Multi-Cloud Computing
- > 2017: Whatever is being **hyped** this year?

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Trend 1: Smart Everything



Smart Watch



Smart TV



Smart Car



Smart Health



Smart Home



Smart Kegs



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Smart Industries



Smart Cities

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What's Smart?

- \Box Old: Smart = Can think \Rightarrow Computation = Can Recall ⇒ Storage
- Now: Smart = Can find quickly, Can Delegate ⇒ Communicate = Networking
- □ Smart Grid, Smart Meters, Smart Cars, Smart homes, Smart Cities, Smart Factories, Smart Smoke Detectors, ...





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Trend 2: Micro-Cloud Computing

- □ Cloud computing was invented in 2006
- ☐ Then: Cloud = Large Data Center Multiple VMs managed by a cloud management system (OpenStack)



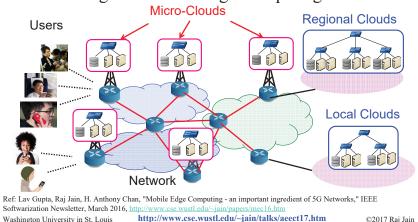
- ☐ Today: Cloud = Computing using virtual resources
 - > μCloud = Cloud in a server with multiple VMs.
 - > Each VM with Multiple Containers ⇒ Multiple Services



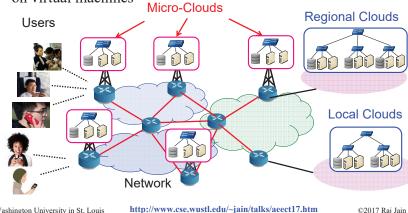
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Trend 3: Mobile Edge Computing

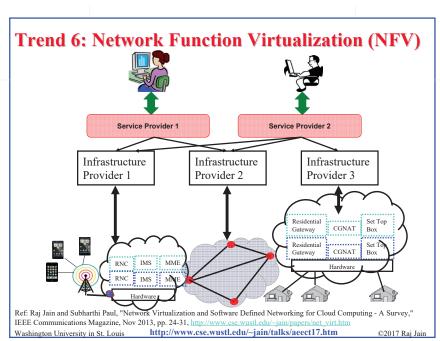
■ To service mobile users/IoT, the computation needs to come to edge ⇒ Mobile Edge Computing



Trend 4: Micro-Services □ All major applications, such as, Facebook, Netflix, etc. consist of a number of micro-services that are instantiated on demand on virtual machines Micro-Clouds

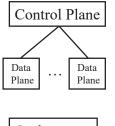


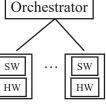
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Trend 5: Software Defined Everything

- □ SDN was invented in 2009
- ☐ Then: SDN:
 - > Separation of control and data planes
 - > Centralization of Control
 - > Standard Protocol between the planes
- Now: Software Defined Everything (SDE) = **Disaggregation** of hw/sw
 - > Commodity hardware
 - > Software that runs on commodity hw
 - > Open Source Software ⇒ Service industry
 - > Controller replaced by Orchestrator
 - > Centralization of policies





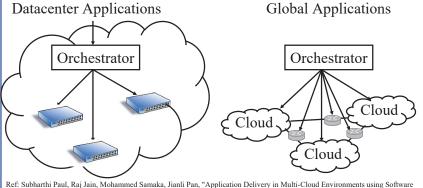
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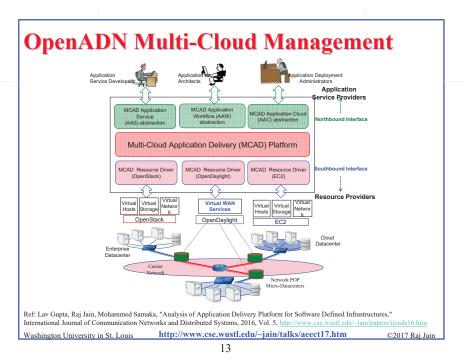
Trend 7: Software Defined Multi-Cloud

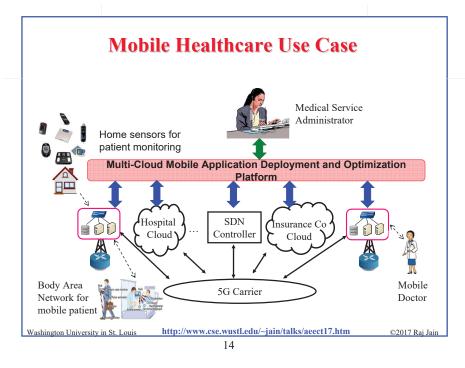
Orchestrating devices to Orchestrating Clouds

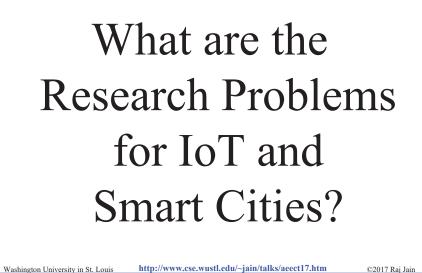


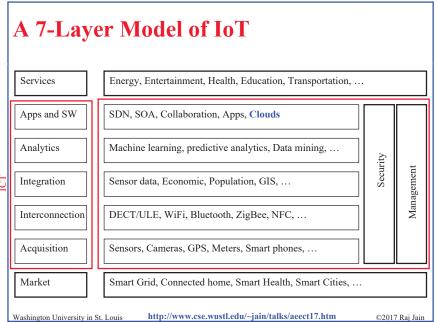
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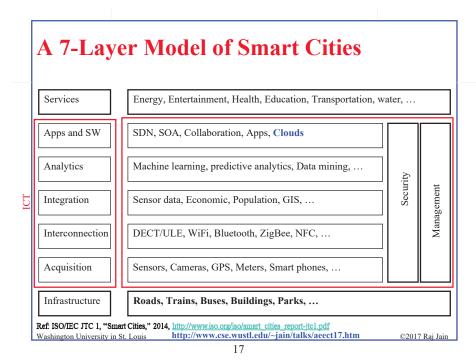








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Attack Surface

- IoT Devices
- **IoT wireless access technology**: DECT, WiFi, Z-wave, ...
- **IoT Gateway**: Smart Phone
- Home LAN: WiFi, Ethernet, Powerline, ...
- IP Network: DNS, Routers, ...
- **Higher-layer Protocols**
- Cloud
- Management Platform: Web interface
- Life Cycle Management: Booting, Pairing, Updating, ...















Access

Gateway

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Areas of Research for IoT/Smart Cities

- PHY: Smart devices, sensors giving real-time information
- Datalink: WiFi, Bluetooth, ZigBee, IEEE 802.15.4, ... Broadband: DSL, FTTH, Wi-Fi, 5G, ...
- Routing: Mesh networking, ...
- Analytics: Big-data, data mining, Machine learning, Predictive analytics, ...
- Apps & SW: SDN, SOA, Cloud computing, Web-based collaboration, Social networking, ...
- Applications: Remote health, On-line education, on-line laboratories, ...
- Security: Privacy, Trust, Identity, Anonymity, ...

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Internet of Harmful Things

Researchers at DEFCON 3, hacked a smart toilet, making it flush incessantly and closing the lid repeatedly and unexpectedly. Causing a **Denial of Service** Attack.



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DEFCON







- Hacker's conference
- ☐ Held in Las Vegas every July
- □ 20.000+ attendees
- All anonymous

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DEFCON 2017

- □ Hacking voting machines
- □ Hack connected vehicles
- □ Hacking the cloud
- ☐ Hacking travel routers
- □ Clone RFID in real time
- ☐ Breaking the Uber badge ciphers
- □ Counterfeit hardware security devices, RSA tokens
- ☐ Fool antivirus software using AI
- ☐ How to track government spy planes
- □ Break bitcoin hardware wallets
- □ DARPA Cyber Grand Challenge (2015, 2016)

Teaching CIA methods w/o hacking is not sufficient

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Confidentiality

Integrity Authentication

Trend 8: Blockchains

- □ Blockchain is the technology that made Bitcoin secure
- □ Blockchain was invented by the inventor of Bitcoin
- ☐ After Bitcoin became successful, people started looking into the technology behind Bitcoin and found:
 - > Blockchain is the key for its success
 - > Two complete strangers can complete a transaction without a third party

Example of a Contract: Wedding





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Wedding (Cont)

□ Centralized

□ Decentralized





- Centralized registry
- □ Single point of failure
- Easier to hacked

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Decentralized

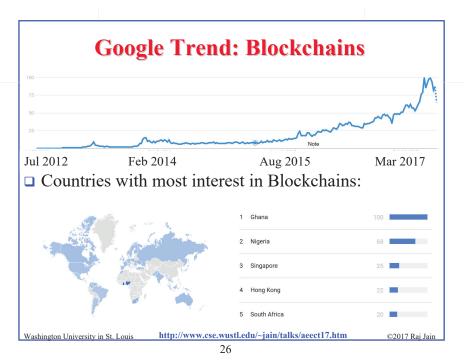
□ No single point of failure

□ Very difficult to hack

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Trend: Centralized to Decentralized

- ☐ Trend: Make everything decentralized with no central point of control
- ☐ Two perfect strangers can exchange money, make a contract without a trusted third party
- Decentralized systems are
 - 1. More reliable: Fault tolerant
 - 2. More secure: Attack tolerant
 - 3. No single bottleneck \Rightarrow Fast
 - 4. No single point of control \Rightarrow No monopoly
- □ Blockchain is one way to do this among **untrusted multi-domain** systems.

Time is a cycle: Distributed vs. Centralized debate

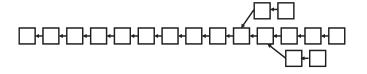
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Blockchains

- **How** is it done?
 - > A singly linked chain of blocks of verified signed transactions is replicated globally on millions of nodes
 - > You will have to change millions of nodes to attack/change



□ Who is interested: Banks, Hospitals, Venture Capitalists, ... ⇒ Researchers, students, ...

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Examples of Centralized Systems

- Banks: Allow money transfer between two accounts
- **Currency**: Printed and controlled by the government
- **Stock Exchanges**: Needed to buy and sell stocks
- **Networks:** Certificate Authorities, DNS
- In all cases:
 - 1. There is a central third party to be trusted
 - 2. Central party maintains a large database of information \Rightarrow Attracts Hackers
 - 3. Central party may be hacked \Rightarrow affects millions
 - 4. Central party is a single point of failure. Can malfunction or be bribed.

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Blockchains For Cities

- □ Land titles
- □ Vehicle registries
- □ Business license
- □ Criminal records
- Passports
- □ Birth certificates
- □ Death certificates
- Building permits
- □ Gun permits

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Blockchains for Cities (Cont)



Networking Applications of Blockchains

- Multi-Domain Systems:
 - > Multiple Cloud Service Providers
 - > Multiple cellular providers
 - > Multi-Interface devices: WiFi, Cell, Bluetooth, ...
 - > BGP: BGP Authentication
- ☐ Globally Centralized Systems:
 - > DNS
 - > Certificate Authorities

Explore blockchains for multi-domain/centralized systems

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City-University Partnership

- ☐ Presence of universities is a weak predictor of new educational startups ⇒ Universities need to connect
- □ Universities can help local government with the technology development, adoption, training, and analytics
- □ What Can we (Researchers) Do?
 - > Extend our research in to applications that are large scale
 - > Develop collaborations for integration of fields
 - > Provide proof-of-concepts
 - > Provide Open-Source development environment

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Summary

- Smart \neq High-Speed Computation, Smart \neq Big Data Storage, Smart = Networked
- Smart Cities research areas are easy via the 7-layer model Research issues in every layer: Sensors, data link, routing, applications, analytics.
- Clouds are getting smaller, Carriers and enterprises moving to clouds, leading to clouds everywhere ⇒ multi-cloud
- Our MCAD abstracts/virtualizes the cloud interfaces and allows automated management of security and other policies of multi-cloud applications
- Cyber security is important for smart cities and blockchains may offer a potential solution to some problems.

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