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Examples of Application Domains & Possible Scenarios for Project Activities

Examples of recent and relevant **application domains** for mobile services/systems and case studies towards **possible project activities**:

- ❑ **Social-aware** resource sharing **in spontaneous networks**
- ❑ **ParticipAction**, crowdsensing and participatory task assignment in smart city environments
- ❑ **Vehicular traffic management** enabled by “traditional” and smartphone-based sensing (vehicle2vehicle and vehicle2RSU communications)
- ❑ **Middleware for Machine-to-Machine (M2M) communications, fog computing oriented**, for efficiency, locality optimizations, batching/aggregation, edge/fog computing, industrial cloud, and container optimizations (e.g., migration)

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RAMP Middleware for Spontaneous Networking

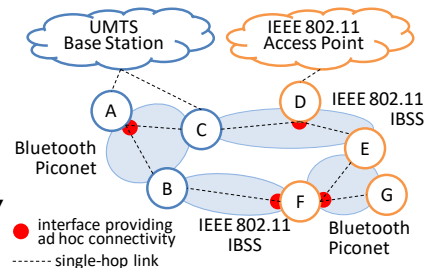
Real Ad-hoc Multi-hop Peer-to-peer (RAMP)

Impromptu interconnection of fixed and mobile nodes

- Not only to achieve Internet connectivity (Always Best Connected - ABC), but also to support users' willingness to **share contents, resources, and services**
- Packet dispatching at application level over **het platforms**
- Management of **non-coordinated IP address spaces**

RAMP supports creation and mgmt of **spontaneous networks**

- **multi-hop** end-to-end connectivity
- Users invoke and offer services (peer-to-peer)
- **APIs** to support development of **new services** in a simplified way



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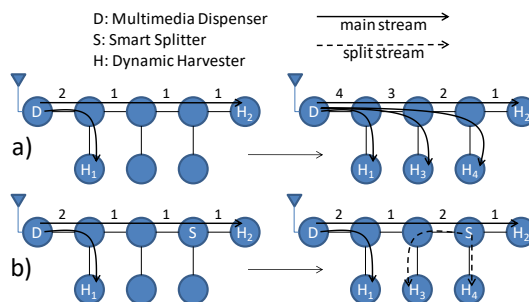
Example: Application-layer Multimedia Re-casting

1) Nodes perform end-to-end **cooperative splitting** of multimedia paths into differentiated segments

- Lower traffic on intermediate nodes

2) Nodes perform **cooperative monitoring of stream quality** (packet loss, jitter, ...) and **dynamically adapt** flows (priority-based video frame dropping)

- **fine-grained and per-segment** management to reduce needed throughput close to bottlenecks that are identified at runtime



But also example of federation of **UPnP localities**, ...

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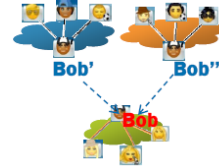
From Social Network Aggregation to Federated Social Networks

Social network aggregation

Some aggregation services already start to emerge: **aggregate messages, status feeds, content, and friends** from different and heterogeneous standalone social apps

➤ For instance, significant feature of **cross-posting**

In this approach, **users should have multiple accounts** to the different social netw apps



Federated social networks

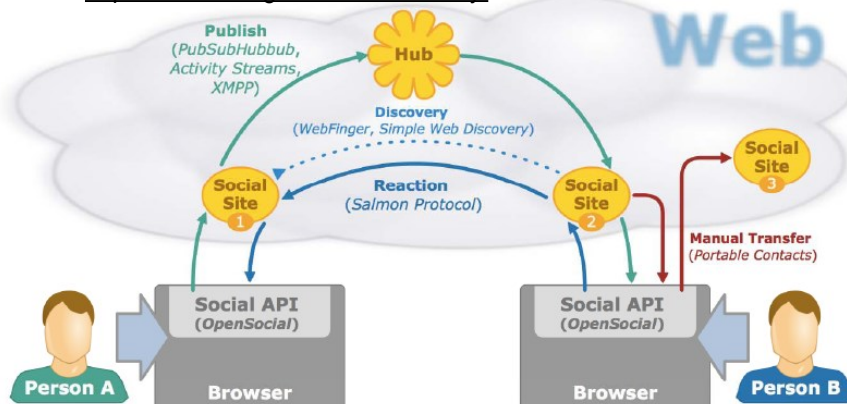
- ❑ Users can communicate **across domains** with **globally unique identifiers** (one single account for all social netw apps)
- ❑ **User data portability** (as for number portability in cell comms, favors competition and migration between social netw app providers)
- ❑ **Greater scaling and robustness** of the overall Social Web
- ❑ Important industrial and “strategic” trend supported by relevant players (industries, governments, communities, ...)



Federated Social Networks

Many **related technological standards under discussion and definition**: OpenSocial, WebFinger, Salmon, ActivityStreams, PubSubHubbub, XMPP, ...

See also <http://www.w3.org/Talks/Deck/identity/>



Social Web Landscape



Social-aware Resource Sharing in Spontaneous Networks

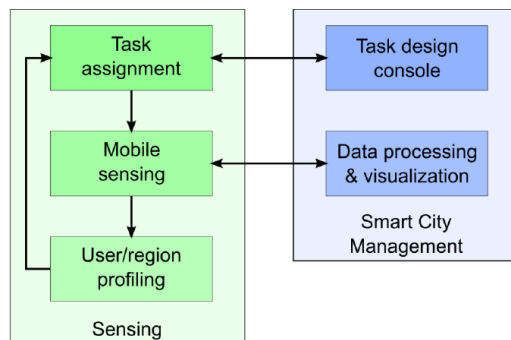
Based on the scenarios and technologies sketched above, **to contribute to enable resource sharing** (typically multimedia contents) among **different localities**

- ❑ Localities as **domestic islands** (UPnP and DLNA devices, experimental home gateways by TIM and CISCO, WiFi Direct connectivity, ...)
- ❑ **Island federation** as automated federation based on **social metadata** dynamically extracted from primary social networking applications via standard protocols
- ❑ **Unique identity** for users
- ❑ **Content filtering** offered based on context and social profile
- ❑ ...



ParticipAction: Crowdsensing

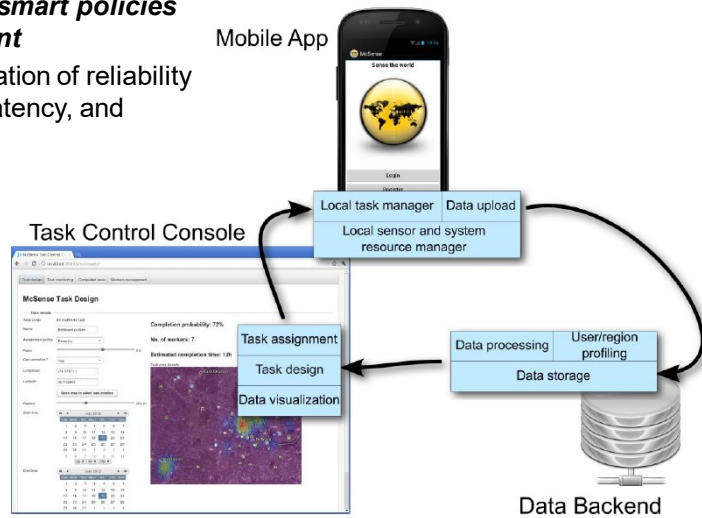
- ❑ Collaboration with NJIT and several Brazilian Universities
- ❑ Availability of a good set of Android devices and users for wide-scale living lab (300)
- ❑ Monitoring and crowdsensing for smart city
- ❑ “Smart” assignments of participatory tasks, also with economic incentives





ParticipAction: Task Assignment

- Determination and experimentation of **smart policies for task assignment**
- (pseudo) optimization of reliability in task execution, latency, and economic cost



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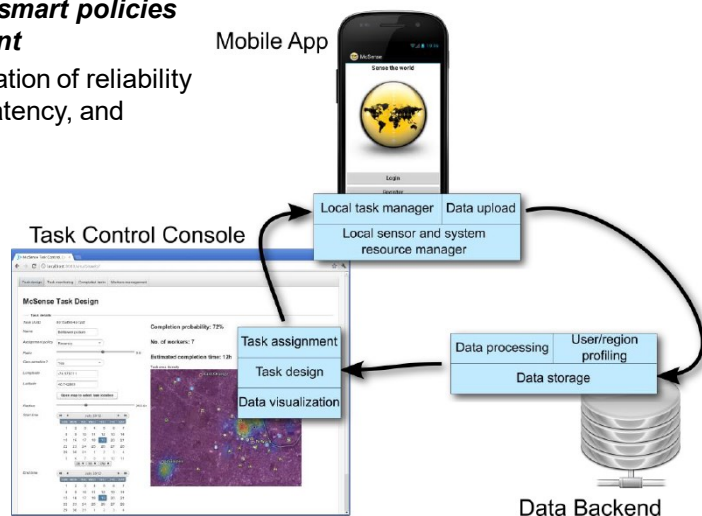
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ParticipAction: CoVID-19?

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Vehicular Traffic Management

Cars are relevant example of **mobile autonomous sensors** and they can **coordinate themselves lazily** by exploiting wireless communications



- Cars perform **opportunistic sensing** in urban environments and maintain local data
- **Collaborative dissemination of metadata** based on local decisions
- Possibility of **emerging behaviors** to satisfy **application-specific requirements** (e.g., query completeness, response time, overhead, ...)

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Previous Experience with MobEyes (UCLA)

Urban monitoring via vehicular sensor networks that are opportunistic and autonomous

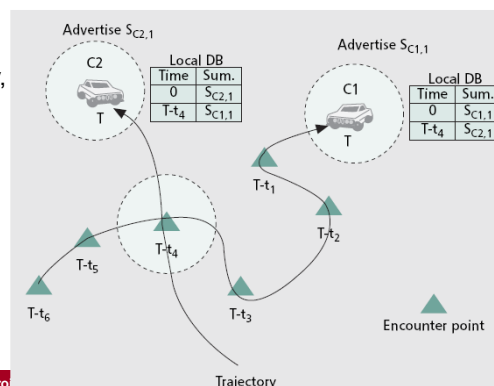
- Opportunistic encounters of “regular” cars equipped with sensors and P2P wireless connectivity
- Sensor mobility is of course **«not-directed»**

Differences wrt WSN:

- Less stringent constraints on memory, storage, and power consumption
- Wide-scale deployment

Application scenario:

- Post-crime investigation (e.g., after terroristic attack)
- Cars with A/V sensors
- **Metadata summaries**



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Vehicular Traffic Management

Idea of **using the same “regular” citizen cars** to monitor urban vehicular traffic, in areas with **relatively high density** (in integration and synergy with existing monitoring systems)

Goals:

- Minimization of traffic jams and global travelling time
- Minimization of pollutant emission
- Maximization of traffic fluidity and municipality-level utility functions

Approach: to exploit sensors already available at vehicles, standard frameworks emerging in automotive area, but **also onboard sensors by passengers’ smartphones...**



Vehicular Traffic Management

Possible directions for project activities:

- Study, analysis, and simulation tests about **standards for vehicle2vehicle or vehicle2infrastructure communications** (towards road side units)
- **Exploitation and integration of smartphones** (sensors + peer2peer communications + comm. towards infrastructure) to the purpose of vehicular traffic estimation
- Employment of **peer2peer communications** (rather than to a centralized infrastructure server) to **harvest, aggregate, and process** monitoring data **in a decentralized way**
- Exploitation of **locality principle**, evolution of geo-tagged historical data, trust level obtained at runtime by participants, ...
- ...



M2M Middleware

Middleware for efficient communication in Machine-to-Machine (M2M) applications

- ❑ Internet of Things and Cyber-Physical Systems (sensors+actuators) scenarios
- ❑ Dynamic identification of localities (clustering)
- ❑ Data batching/aggregation
- ❑ Efficient integration with (virtualized, global) cloud computing resources
- ❑ **Edge cloud computing**
- ❑ **Fog computing**
- ❑ Distributed machine learning, reinforcement learning, federated learning, ...

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Use Case #1: Predictive Diagnostics and Optimization of Manufacturing Processes


Failure prevention/prediction and planning of efficient maintenance operations through Machine Learning-enabled techniques

- Not only AI...
- Efficiently interconnected IoT
- Industrial cloud and compliance with standards + best practices
- Edge cloud computing
- ...

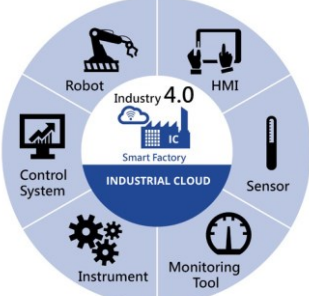


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Use Case #1: Predictive Diagnostics





- Industrial cloud
- Compliance with industrial standards and best practices

























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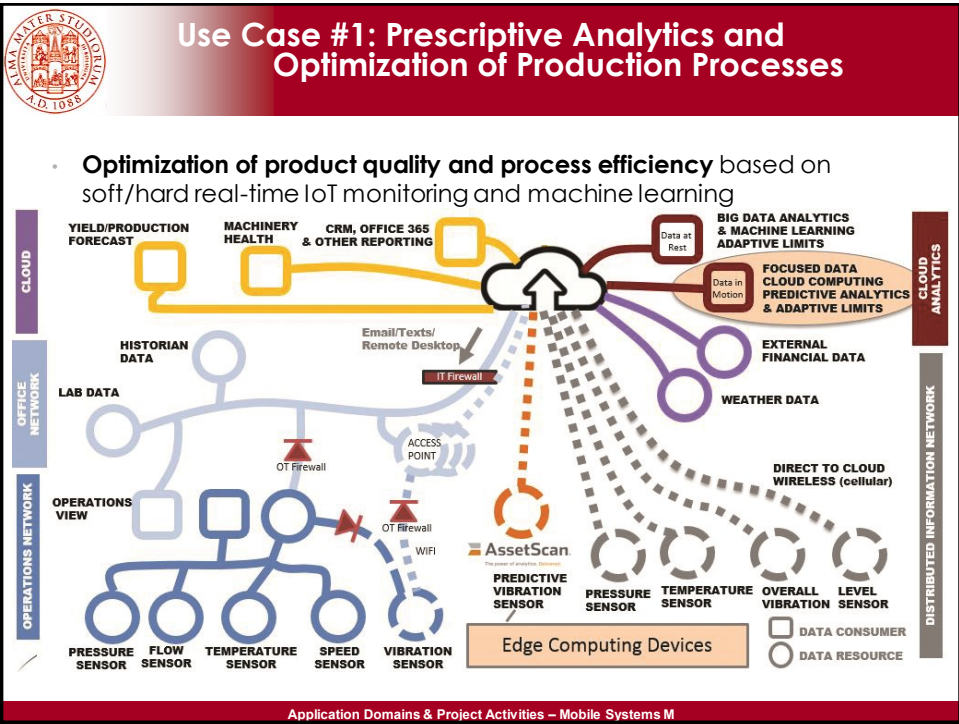
Use Case #1: Prescriptive Analytics and Optimization of Manufacturing Processes

- **Digital Twins** of production plants
- **Automated configuration of manufacturing production lines** (system of systems)
- **Dynamic reconfiguration** of production lines

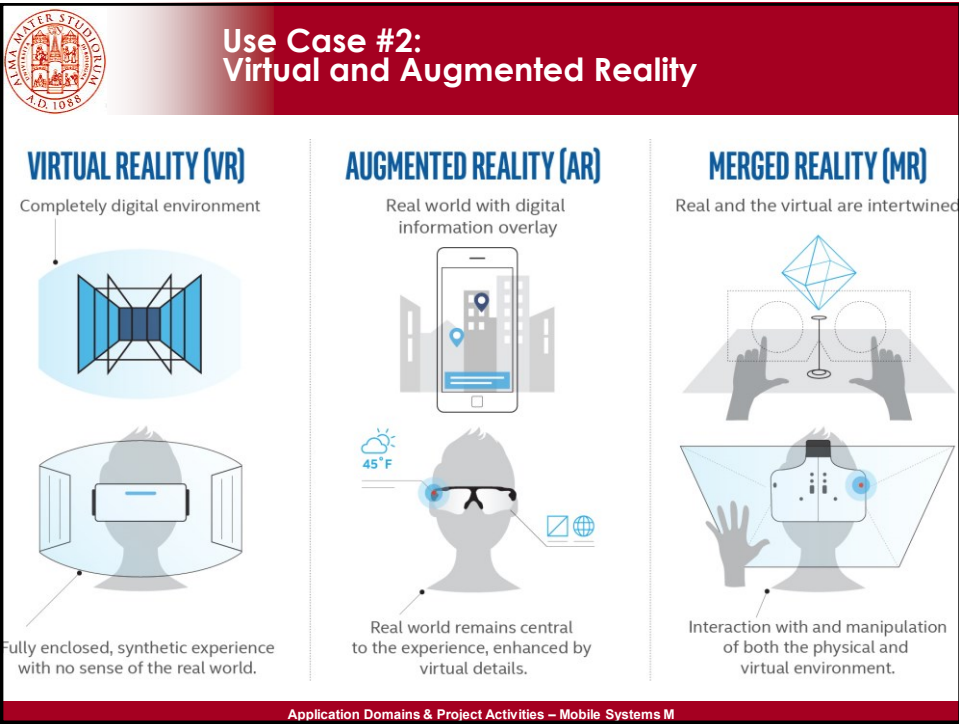


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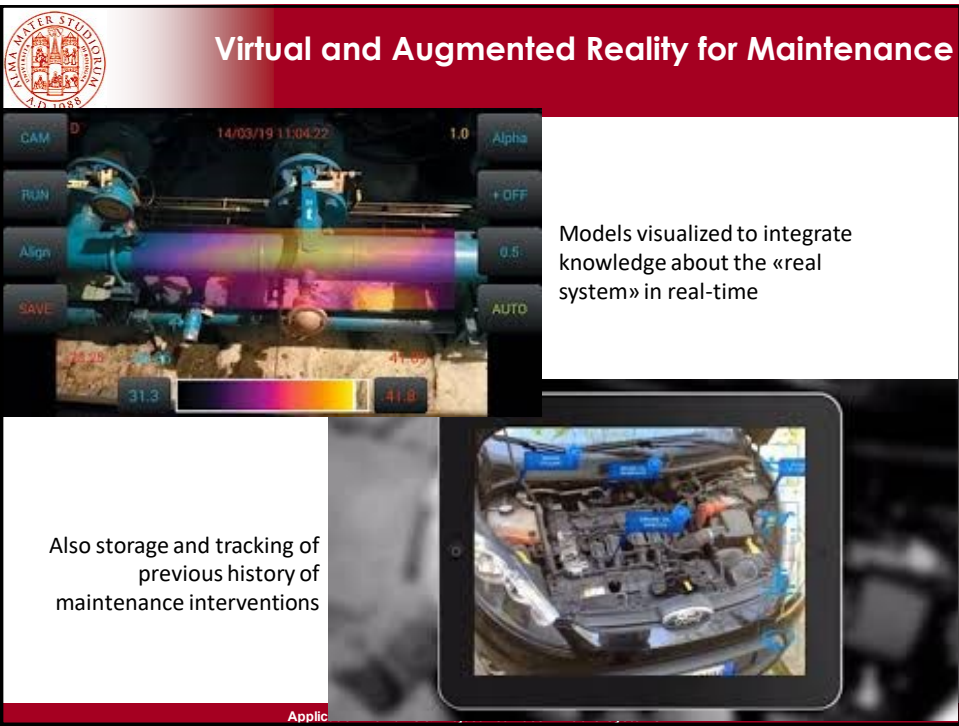
Virtual and Augmented Reality for Logistics

The image shows two applications of AR in logistics. On the left, a hand holds a tablet displaying a 3D model of a warehouse aisle with an Apple logo and 'Order Pick Time' labels. On the right, a person wears AR glasses showing a virtual overlay of a warehouse aisle. The overlay includes a table of items to be picked:

POS	Material	Pcs	Amount
1.	Headphones	2	40 Reams
2.	Netbook	1	
3.	TV	1	
4.	Screen	2	

Other AR elements include 'Location 16-38-30', 'Pick Request Please Confirm...', and a timer '04:32'.

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Virtual and Augmented Reality for Maintenance

The image shows two applications of AR in maintenance. On the left, a 3D model of a mechanical assembly is overlaid on a real-world scene. The model is color-coded and includes a control panel with buttons: CAM, RUN, Align, SAVE, + OFF, 0.5, and AUTO. On the right, a tablet displays a 3D model of a car engine with blue labels for various components.

Models visualized to integrate knowledge about the «real system» in real-time

Also storage and tracking of previous history of maintenance interventions

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TYPE OF ACTION
INNOVATION ACTION

CALL IDENTIFIER
H2020-ICT-2018-2020

PROJECT REFERENCE
857191

TOPIC
ICT-11-2018-2019 - HPC AND BIG DATA
ENABLED LARGE-SCALE TEST-BEDS AND
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TOTAL COSTS
€ 20,029,818.75

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Concept and approach.

- IoTwinS is an EU project that will work to **lower the barriers for the uptake of Industry 4.0 technologies** to optimize processes and increase productivity, safety, resiliency, and environmental impact
- IoTwinS approach is based on a **technological platform** allowing a simple and low-cost access to **big data analytics** functionality, **AI services**, and **edge cloud** infrastructure for the **delivery of digital twins in manufacturing and facility management sectors**
- The approach is demonstrated through the development of **12 large scale testbeds**, organized in three application areas: **manufacturing, facility management, and replicability/scale up** of such solutions

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M€ total value

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M€ EU
Funding

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Partners

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Platform

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Testbeds

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Platform and services.

All the IoTwins testbeds share the same methodology, grounded on the concept of **distributed IoT-/edge-/cloud-enabled hybrid twins, to replicate complex systems**, with the ambition of predicting their dynamics and temporal evolution

Key elements:

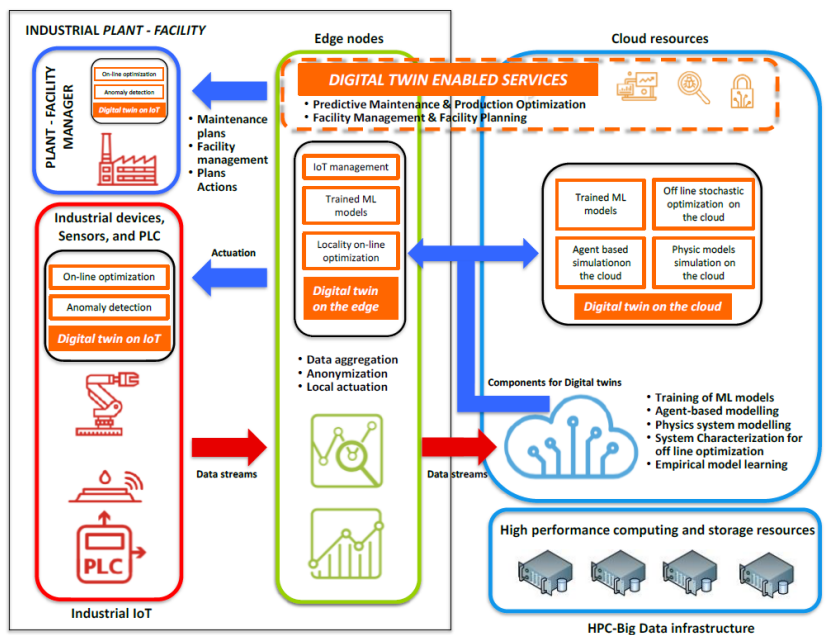
- A full-fledged platform enabling **easy and rapid access to heterogeneous cloud HPC-based resources** for advanced big data services
- AI services to simplify and accelerate the integration of **advanced Machine Learning algorithms, physical simulation, on-line and off-line optimization** into distributed digital twins
- Advanced **edge-oriented mechanisms, tools, and orchestration** to support **Quality of Service** in the runtime execution of the distributed digital twins

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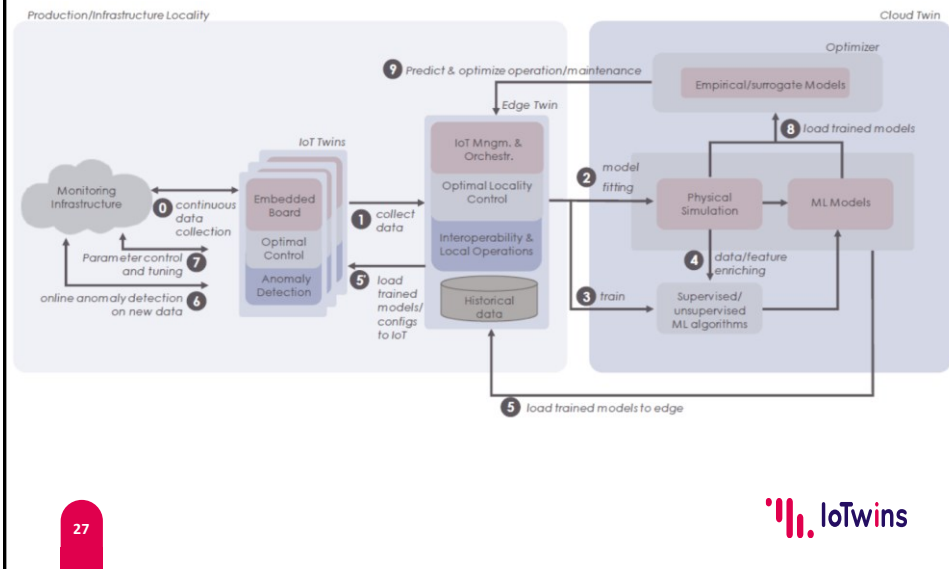
Digital Twins concept in IoTwin



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Distributed Training and Control in IoTwins



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Testbeds.



4 industrial testbeds calling for predictive maintenance services (time to failure forecasting and generation of maintenance plans to optimize costs)

- Wind turbine predictive maintenance | Bonfiglioli Riduttori, KK Wind Solutions
- Machine tool spindle predictive behavior | FILL
- Predictive maintenance for a crankshaft manufacturing system | ETXE-TAR
- Predictive maintenance and production optimization for closure manufacturing | GCL International

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Testbeds.

facility management

3 testbeds calling for identification of criticalities, optimization techniques to provide efficient facility management plans, operation optimal schedules, and renovation/maintenance plans

- NOU CAMP - Sport facility management and maintenance | **Futbol Club Barcelona**
- EXAMON - Holistic supercomputer facility management | **CINECA**
- Smart Grid facility management for power quality monitoring | **SIEMENS**

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Testbeds.

replicability

5 testbeds to demonstrate the replicability and scalability of both IoTwinS solutions and the former manufacturing and facility management testbeds

- Patterns for smart manufacturing for SMEs | **Centre Technique des Industries Mécaniques**
- EXAMON replication to other datacenters facilities | **Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare, Barcelona Supercomputing Center**
- Standardization/homogenization of manufacturing performance | **GCL International**
- NOU CAMP replicability towards smaller scale sport facilities | **Futbol Club Barcelona**
- Innovative business models for IoTwinS PaaS in manufacturing | **Marposs**

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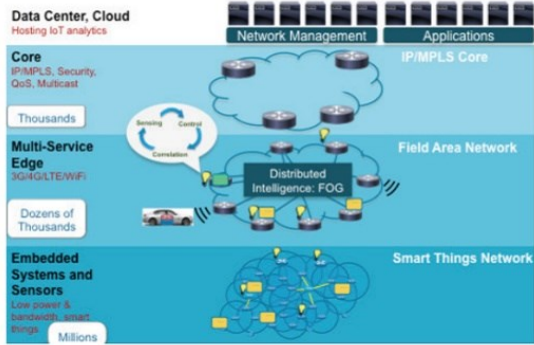


Edge Computing for IoT Apps: Quality Requirements

Towards the vision of **efficient edge computing support** for “**industrial-grade**” IoT applications

- **Latency constraints**
- **Reliability**
- **Decentralized control**
- **Safe operational areas**
- **Scalability**

The Internet of Thing Architecture and Fog Computing



The diagram illustrates the IoT architecture layers from top to bottom:

- Data Center, Cloud:** Hosting IoT analytics, Network Management, Applications, IP/MPLS Core.
- Core:** IP/MPLS, Security, QoS, Multicast. Scale: Thousands.
- Multi-Service Edge:** 3G/4G/LTE/WiFi, Distributed Intelligence: FOG, Field Area Network. Scale: Dozens of Thousands.
- Embedded Systems and Sensors:** Low power & bandwidth, smart things. Scale: Millions.

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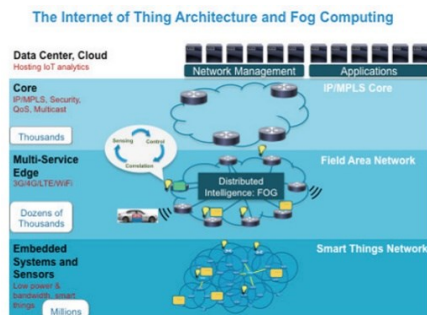


Edge Computing for IoT Apps: Some Research Directions

1. **Architecture modeling**
2. **Quality support even in virtualized envs**
3. **Scalability via hierarchical locality management**
4. **Distributed monitoring/control functions** at both cloud and edge nodes **to ensure safe operational areas**

But also:

- Data aggregation
- Control triggering and operations
- Mgmt policies and their enforcement
- ...



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