

Wireless Grids Innovation Testbed



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Welcome 7th Annual WiGIT Consortium



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Announcements

Dr. Lee McKnight



- .WiGiT's Virtual Organization grows, New members::
 - . Seneca Nation of Indians, RIT, CCNY
 - . Govsphere : George Mazeovski
- .Research
- .Open Specifications

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New Members, Research, Open Specs Schedule

Lee McKnight

Welcome!

BOCES Rockland County

City College of New York

Govsphere (please meet George Mazeovski)

Rochester Institute of Technology

Seneca Nation of Indians

Research

Check out latest publications at:

<http://wglab.net/publications>

New student research, new publications from partners to be added soon, on range of topics

Much more to be done with testbed resources
(CORNET, 802.15.5, wireless grid apps, etc)

And of course, new publications, both books & articles!

Procedure: WiGiT partners have 30 days to preview – and correct – WiGiT publications before wider dissemination

Open Specs Schedule

8th WiGiT March 14 @ Virginia Tech
Review CORNET

Summer/Fall 2011: DRAFT 0.0 WiGiT specs

Spring 2012: Version 1.0

Beyond: TBD



Towards Ambient Connectivity



Bob Frankston
Keynote

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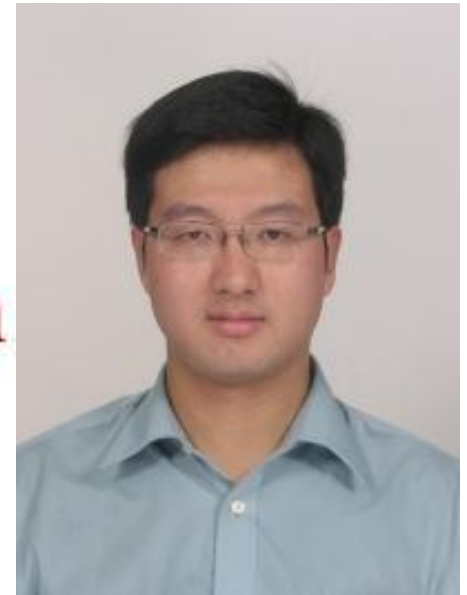


Virginia Tech CORNET Update



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Wireless @ Virginia Tech



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WiGiT Updates

CORNET & WDCN

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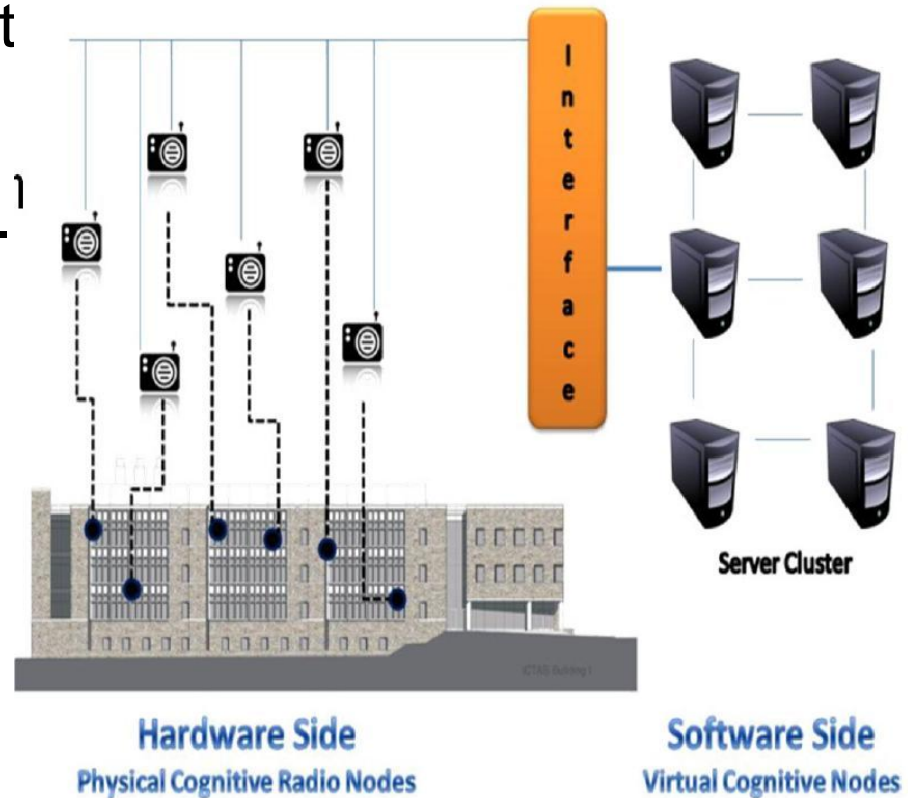
CORNET

Cognitive radio network testbed physically deployed throughout a new campus building.

48 nodes, 12 nodes each floor.¹

Numerous productivity applications are feasible when given this infrastructure.

WiGiT is one of them.



Hardware

Radio Nodes: USRP

Motorola RFIC Ver. 4.0

100 MHz – 4GHz

20 MHz BW

25dB – 50 dB Rx Gain

Multiple Tx(3) and Rx(4) path

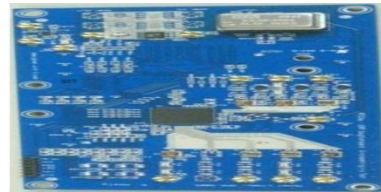
Server:

Intel Xeon Quadcore 2.13GHz

48 for radio, 5 for management

Upgradable to Intel Nehalem

8GB RAM, Gigabit Ethernet



Software

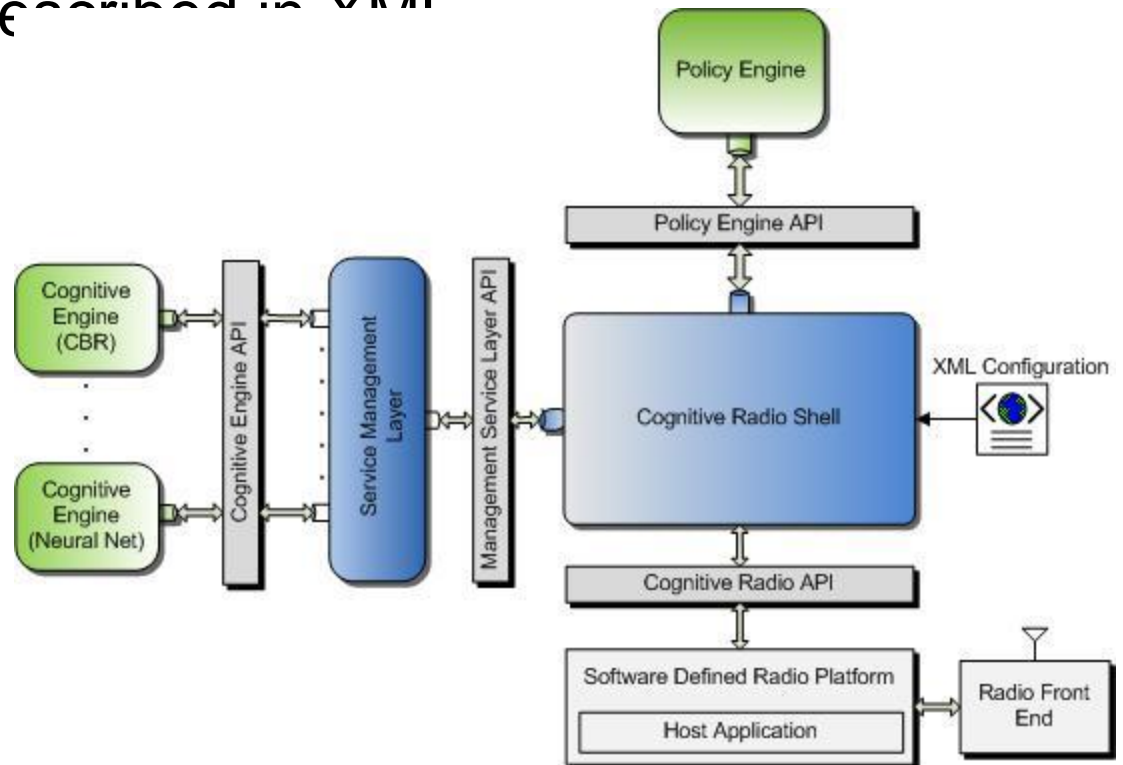
Open Source Cognitive Engine System API

Reference implementation uses a Case-Based Reasoning Engine

Radio Configuration described in VMM

Application simply
links to library to
access system

Cognitive Engines
can be swapped in
and out



Updates for Last Six Months

Installed 42 nodes, 6 nodes to be installed in the future.

Included a tutorial in the CORNET.

Revised and improved the performance of all the demos including Dynamic Spectrum Access (DSA) and localization demos.

Currently, a wireless device for each node is being installed in order to power cycle the radio nodes remotely.



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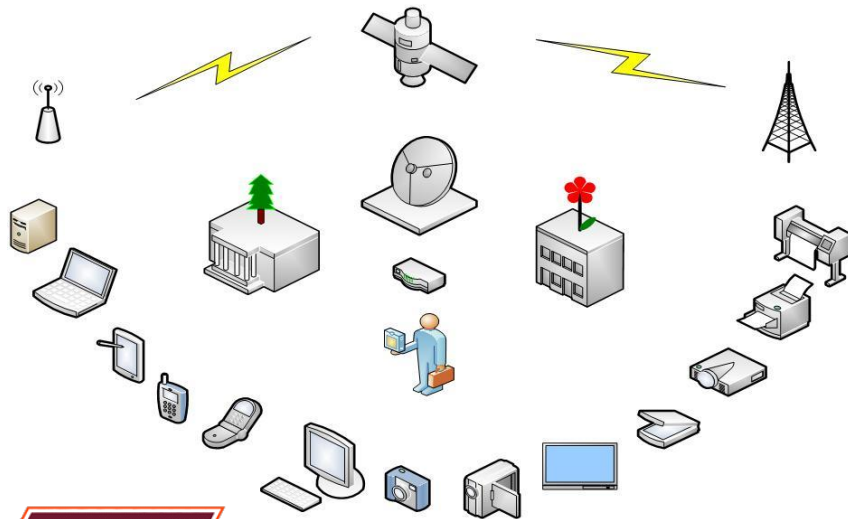
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WDCN Updates

Network Model

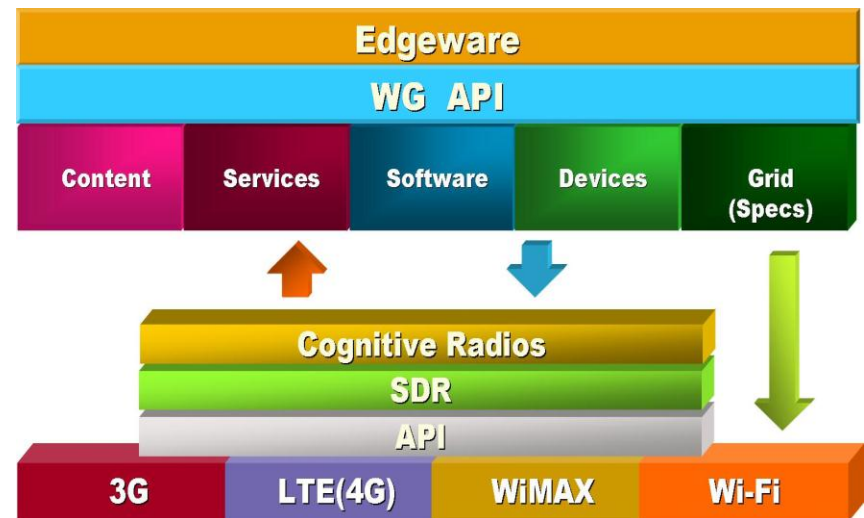
Heterogeneous network.

- Device, Channel, and Application.



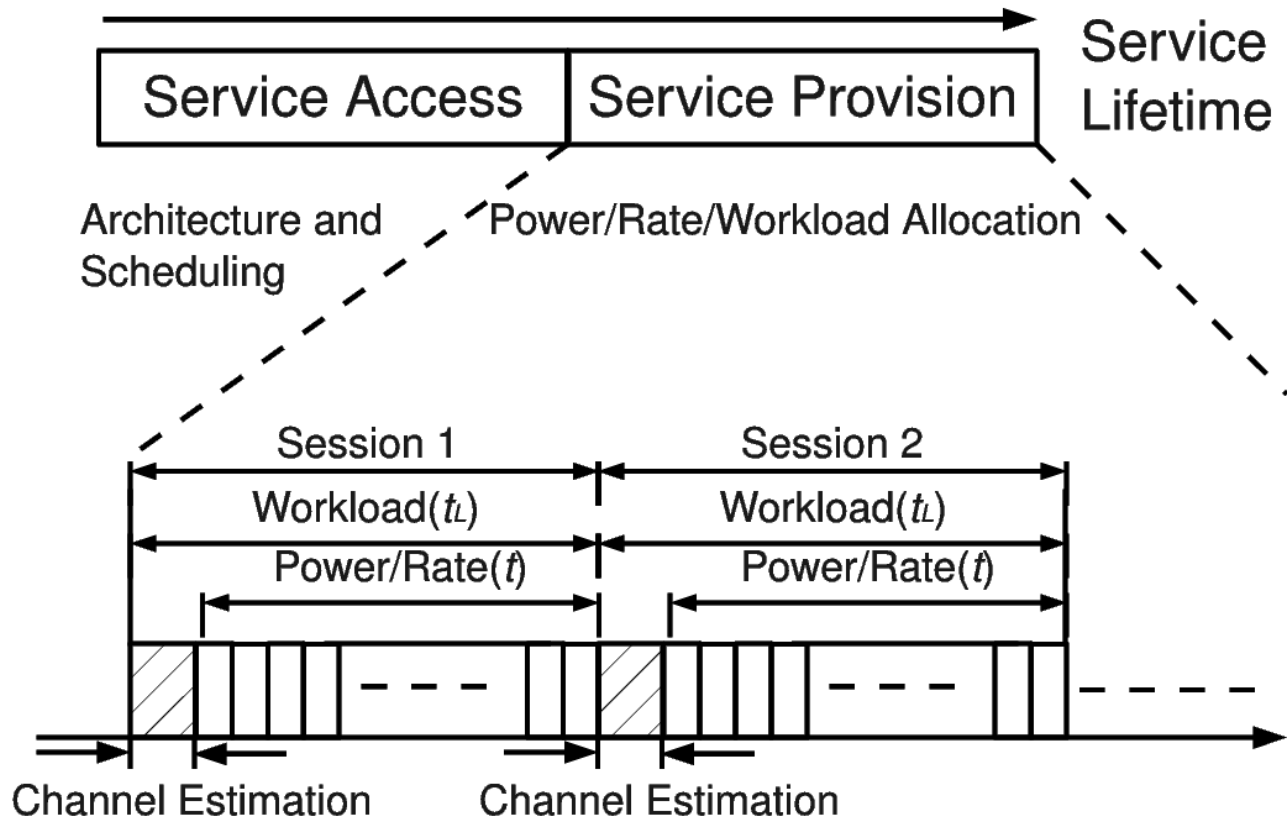
Node Model

SDR for integrating different wireless standards.



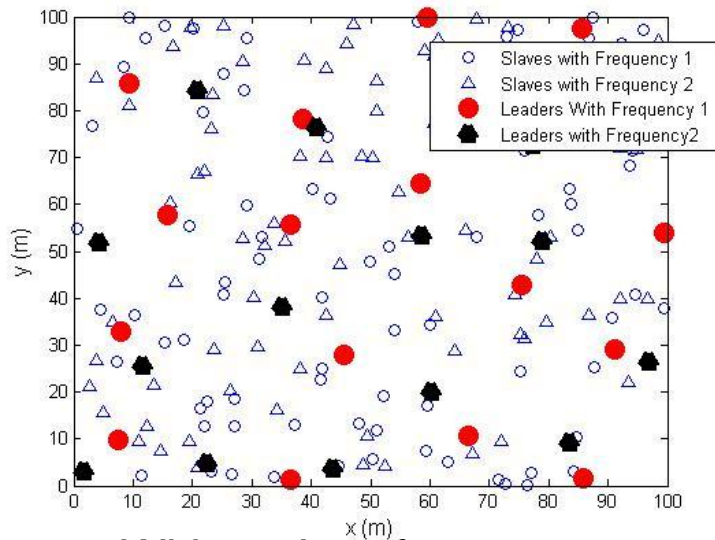
Service Model

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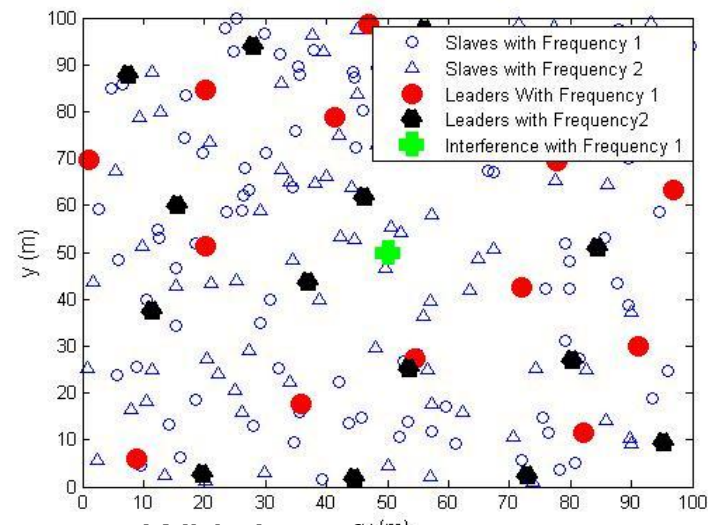


An Example

If there are 200 nodes located within an area of 100 by 100 square meters and frequency band $F = 2$, $\lambda = 0.02$, $\alpha = 20$ meters, $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$. Then, $p = 0.0263$, $T1 = 954$, and $T2 = 2592$.



Without Interference



With Interference



Wireless Grid: Wireless Everywhere



Wireless Networking



Control System



Information Collection



Information Processing and Human Interface



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Thank You!

Questions or Comments?





Wireless Grid Secure Architecture & Interoperable Emergency Response Research



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Conceptualizing a Secure Wireless Cloud

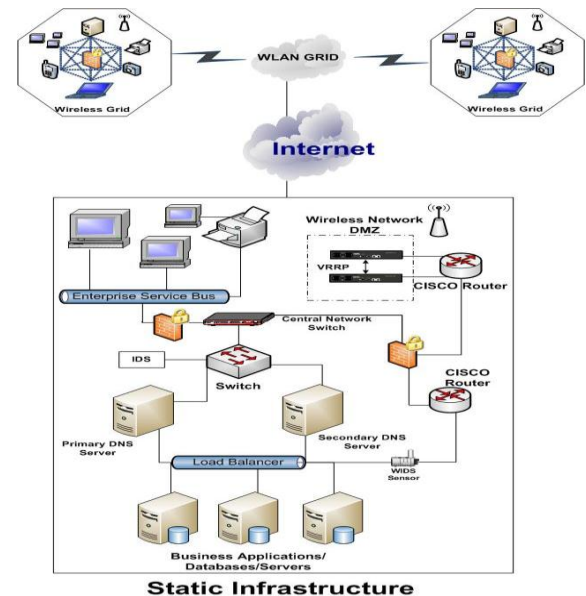
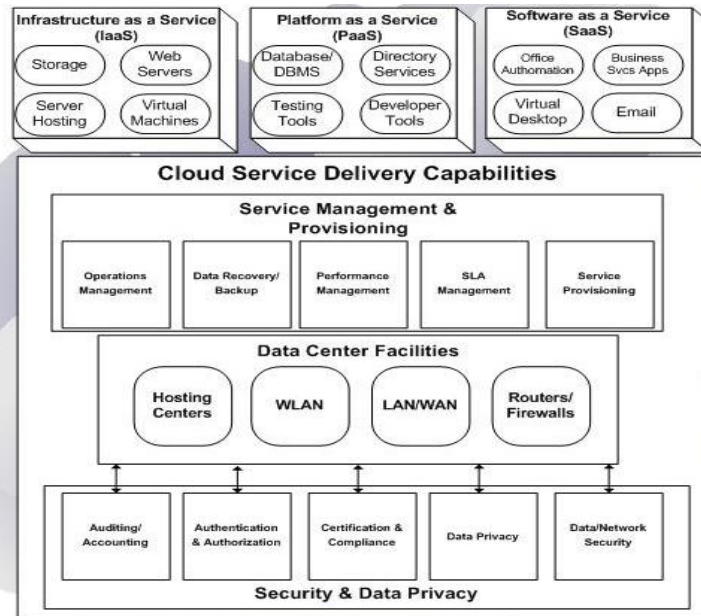
Bottom Line

Cloud computing is a strong economic and technical force transforming IT, core desire to become more effective and efficient with IT

Cloud computing creates significant risks and requires a rethink - but not reinvention - of security programs and architecture

Wireless Grid provides sharing of physical and virtual resource among heterogeneous devices

Lack of security architecture is major issue with Wireless Grid



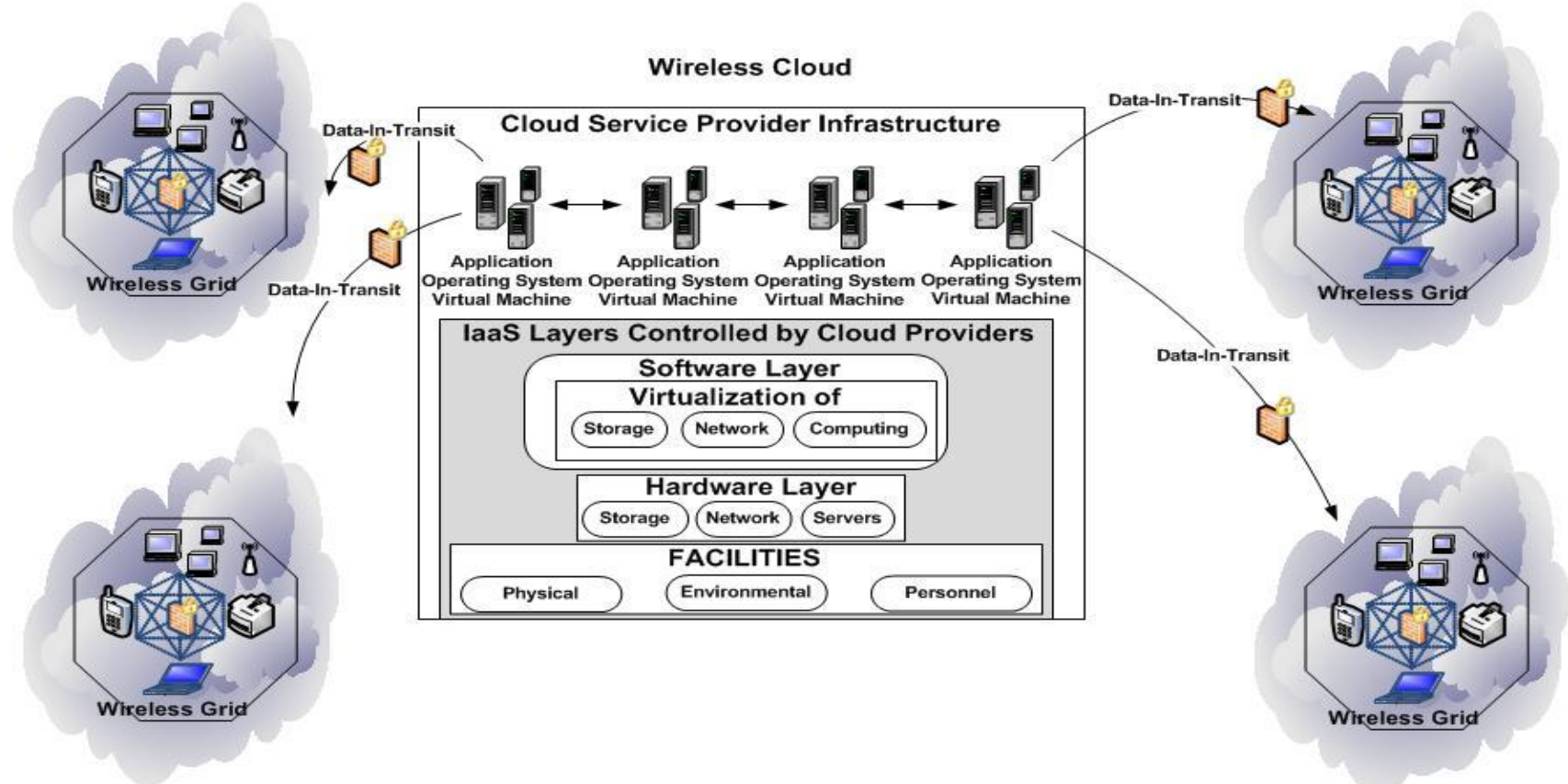
Conceptualizing a Secure Wireless Cloud

Natural Extension of the Wireless Grid and Cloud Computing

“The set of disciplines, technologies, and business models used to render IT capabilities as on-demand services regardless of location.”

Cloud tiered architecture enabling sharing of resources

Has to address the potential security vulnerabilities, threats and attacks



Conceptualizing a Secure Wireless Cloud

What...me worry?

- Cloud's multi-tenant, dynamic characteristics may put sensitive, or regulated data at risk
- The relationship with cloud vendors, and in some cases, their viability creates strategic risk
- A lack of transparency and accountability about security about Wireless Grid contributes to user anxiety
- Enterprises are not all rushing to embrace wireless cloud offerings; many are investigating internal cloud deployment as well as hybrid cloud architectures that balance low costs with risk mitigation
- Numerous threat/vulnerabilities exist in both cloud and wireless architectures (e.g. confidentiality/integrity, infrastructure/communications, people, etc.)

Secure Wireless Cloud – Research Initiatives

- C.I.A. Triad (Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability)
 - Enterprises want to ensure that data/information is accessible, accurate and available to authorized users only
- Trust Management
 - Identifies the specific mechanisms that are necessary to respond to specific threat profiles
 - Must include implicit or explicit validation of an entity's identity or the characteristics necessary for a particular event or transaction to occur
- Data Access/Protection
 - Data is not only difficult to control in the wireless cloud, but it would also be difficult to access, classify, discover, analyze, protect, retain, and destroy
 - Mechanisms in place to secure data privacy, resource security and privacy imperatives
- Encryption
 - Data in motion should be encrypted to/from wireless cloud environments
 - Encryption would also be desirable for data-at-rest in multi-tenant wireless cloud environments
- Authentication and Identity Management
 - Must have some form of an identity management mechanism to authenticate users and services based on credentials and characteristics.

Conceptualizing a Secure Wireless Cloud

Conclusion

- Understanding of Cloud and Wireless Grid technologies and security policies
- Wireless Cloud computing must have a well-defined security architecture
- Visibility into who is doing what and how across the infrastructure is paramount
- Research, research & more research to provide validity for Enterprises (specifically the U.S. Department of Defense) to change their security and organizational business models/architectures
- Interested? Contact me @ **ttbrooks@syr.edu**

Reference

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IP, Copyright & WiGiT: Open Innovation Best Practices

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Cyberlearning Wireless Grids Research & Practice

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Collaborative Learning Through Wireless Grids

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Technology Natives



Yankee Group 2011 predictions: Forty one percent of consumers are likely to choose an advanced OS phone as their next mobile phone purchase.

The trend is towards devices that are smaller, more powerful, web-based, with **longer battery life**, using operating systems designed for mobile use. Features previously purchased in **separate devices are now converging** into one 'smart' device..

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Wireless Grids and Collaborative Learning



Wireless Grids Summer Institute

First publically controlled experiment

Museum of Science, Boston

High school students – 24

Research Questions

How do the students use Wireless Grids during the two week period of the summer course?

Knowing the capabilities of the technology, what other applications besides screen- and audio-sharing do students think are viable for Wireless Grids?

Wireless Grids Summer Institute

STEM Disciplines

Instrument – surveys

Direct Quotes:

“I think experiencing the Display Sharing Application was fun because you actually do it on your own rather than just watch someone else doing it.”

“I [would] like to know more about the wireless grid because I want to see how useful this technology can be.”

Dorm trials

Trials of the updates were offered at the dorms at Syracuse University.

284 students

Three research methods

factorial survey, policy capturing or vignette studies, and conjoint measurement.

Scenario:

Suppose you and your good friend Jamie are at the Library using your laptops to work on your own writing assignment that is due shortly. All of a sudden the screen of Jamie's laptop goes down. Because the rest of the laptop seems to work fine, he asks you to share your screen so he can submit his assignment in time.

Future Research

Principal research question

To what degree can wireless grid technologies can be used to successfully create a distributed, synchronous and asynchronous, collaborative learning environment?

The logo for Wireless Grid Lab features a stylized grid of vertical bars in shades of blue and black, with a small wireless signal icon above the text.

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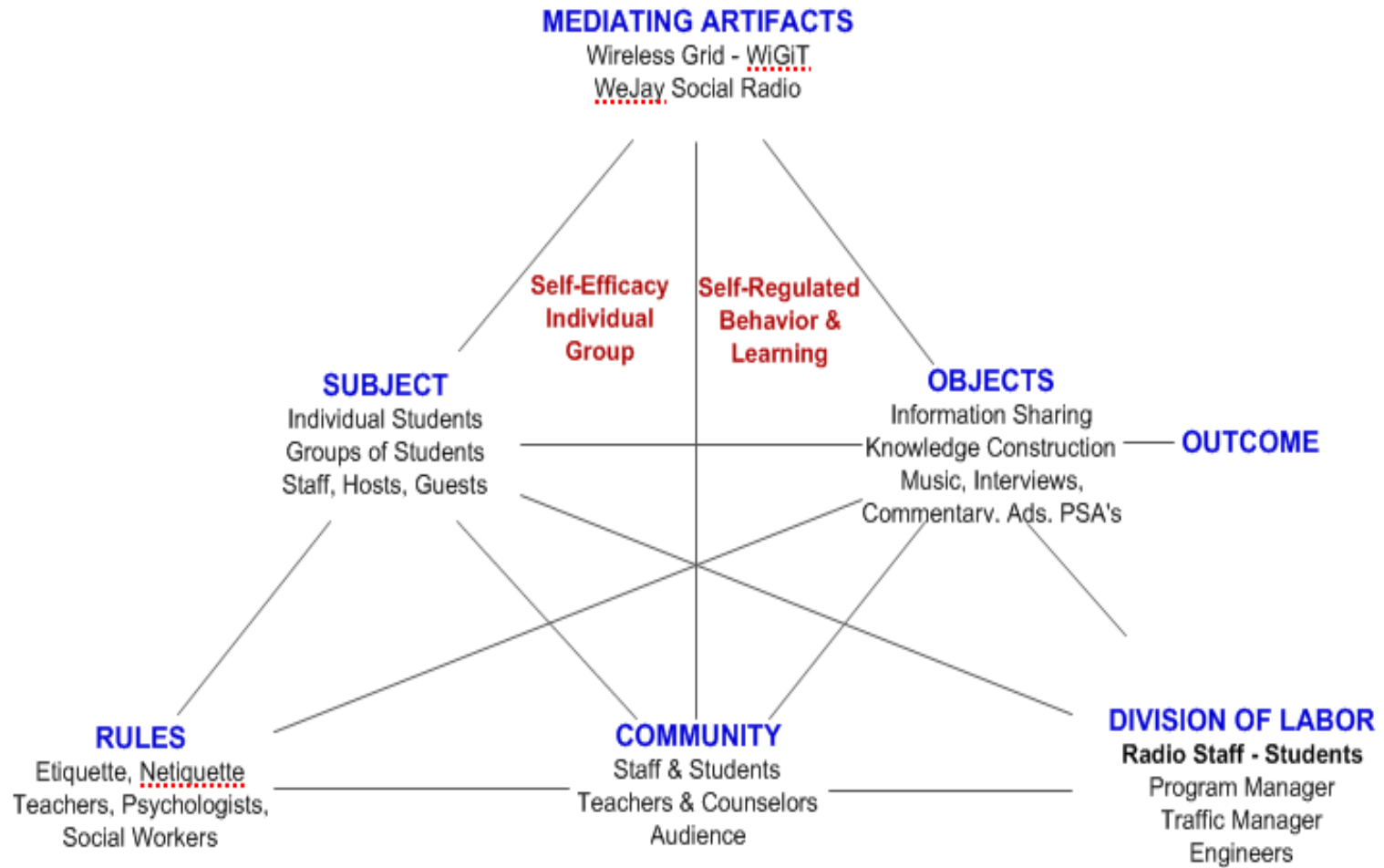
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Sarah Chauncey

Can You Hear Us Now? Investigating the Effects of Using
Wireless Grids Technologies
in Motivating Inquiry, Socialization, Participation and Trust in Fragile Populations

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Activity Theory



Sarah A. Chauncey
Chair, Dr. Ruth Small



Cyberlearning Wireless Grids



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WIGIT Cyberlearning Wireless Grids

Clarify Objective: Learning to make WG vs. Learning through WG

Past Audience:

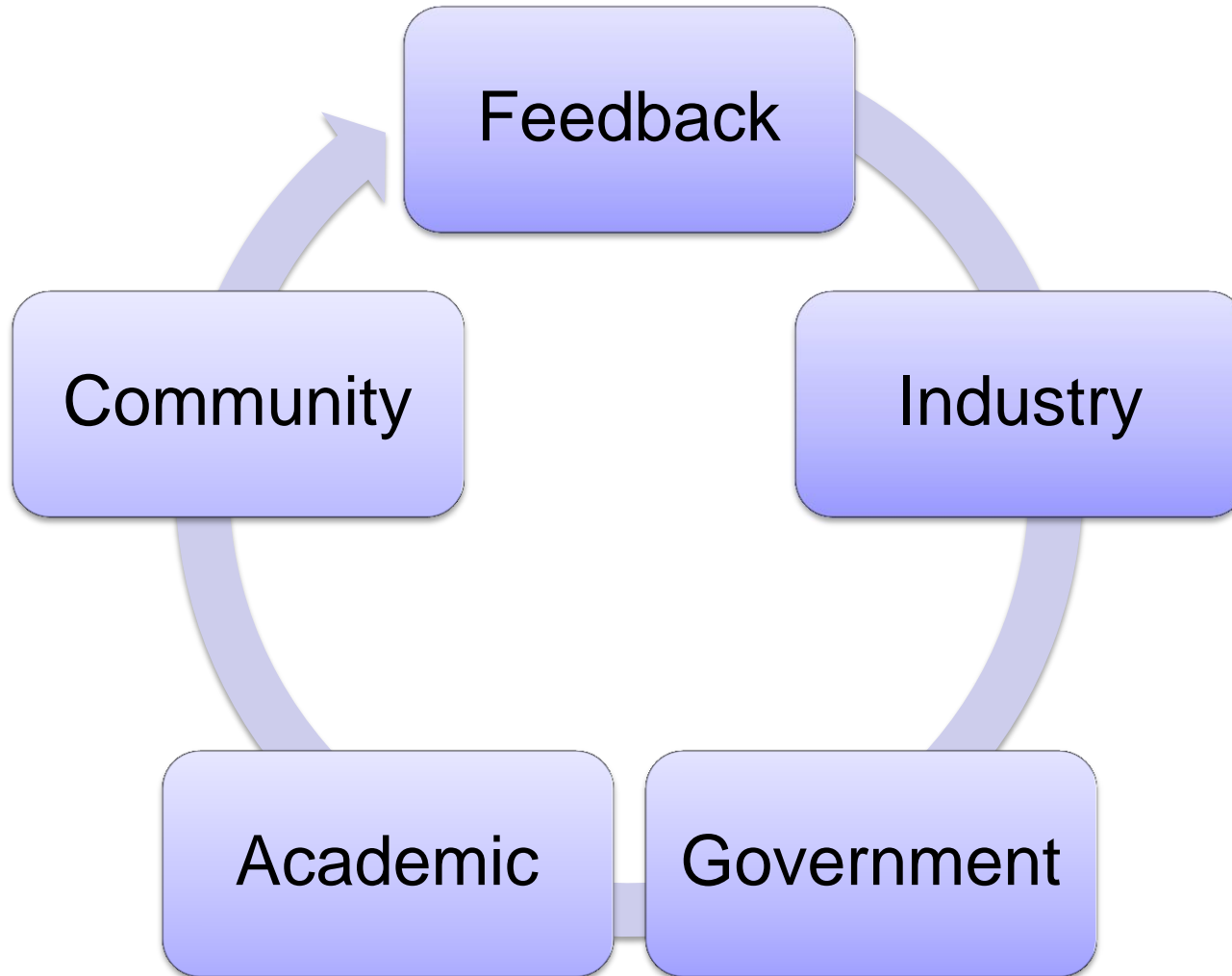
- PFI1: Tricity High School (ThroughWG) - difficult for students to envision
- PFI1: Netherland Grad Business (ThroughWG) - looking for killer app

Current Audience:

- Syracuse Undergrad IT (MakeWG) - needed client clarifications
- Tufts Undergrad Engineering (MakeWG) - Spring 2011

Dissemination: Conferences and Journals

Future directions: Partnerships and Funding





Summary & Next Steps

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