

Getting Started with a W3C WoT Project

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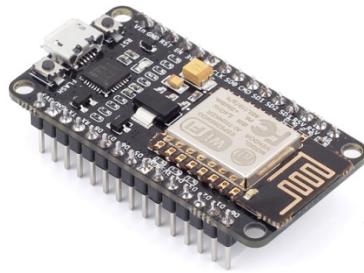
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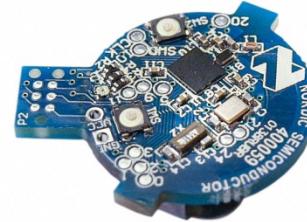
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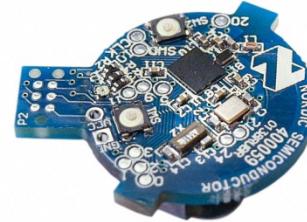
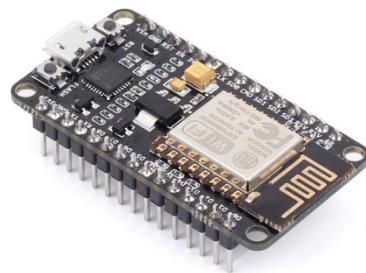
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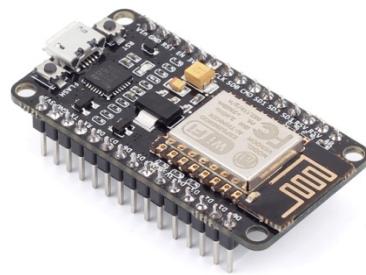
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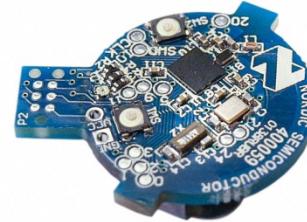
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W3C WoT Mission

Not to be yet another standard



Web of Things



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“interconnecting existing Internet of Things platforms
and complementing available standards”

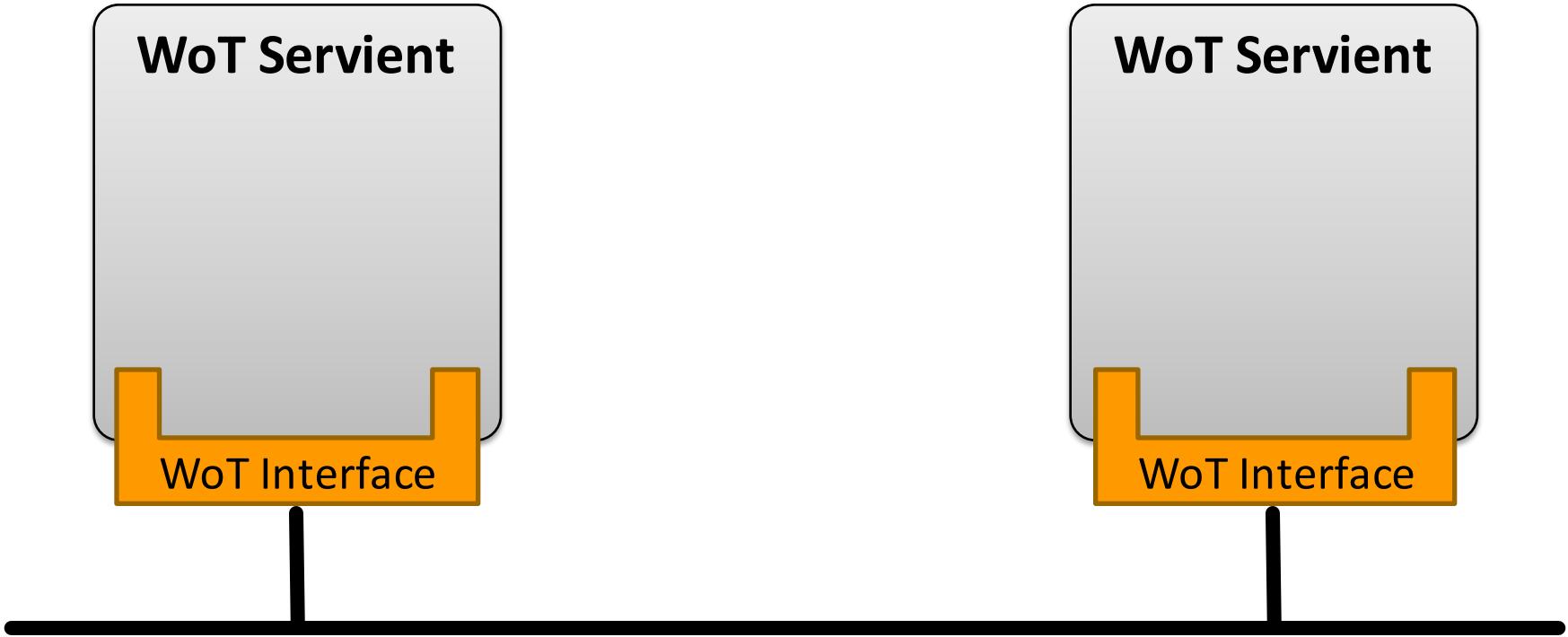
IoT Platforms and Protocol Bindings

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WoT INTERFACE

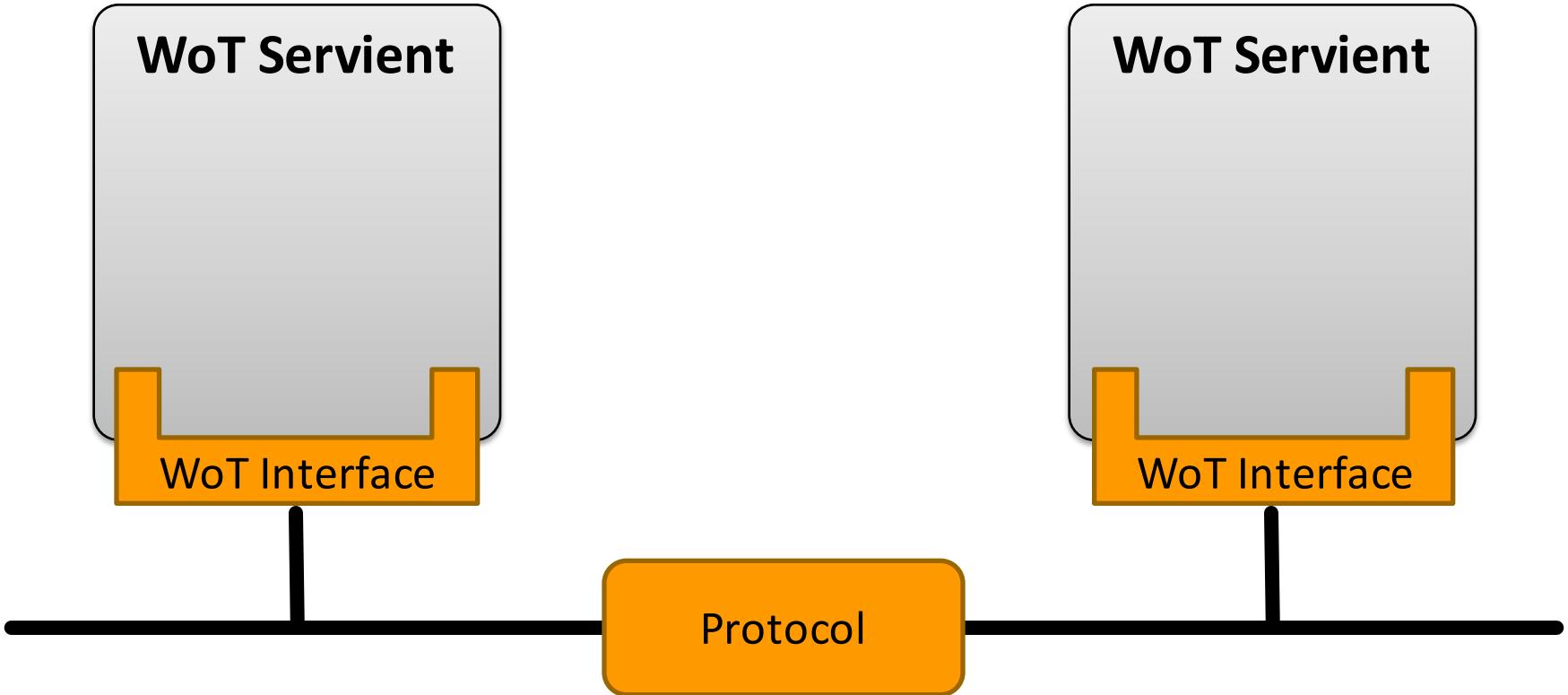
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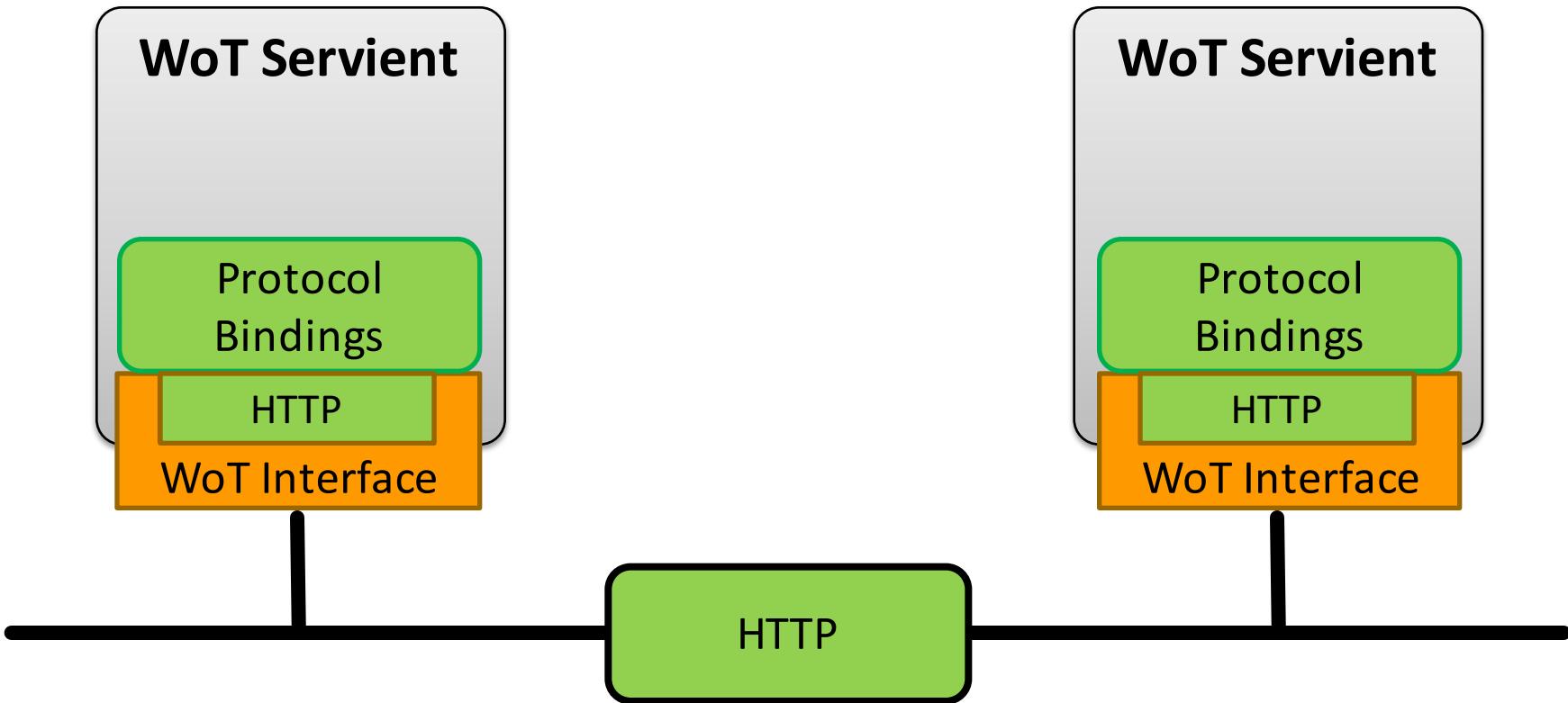
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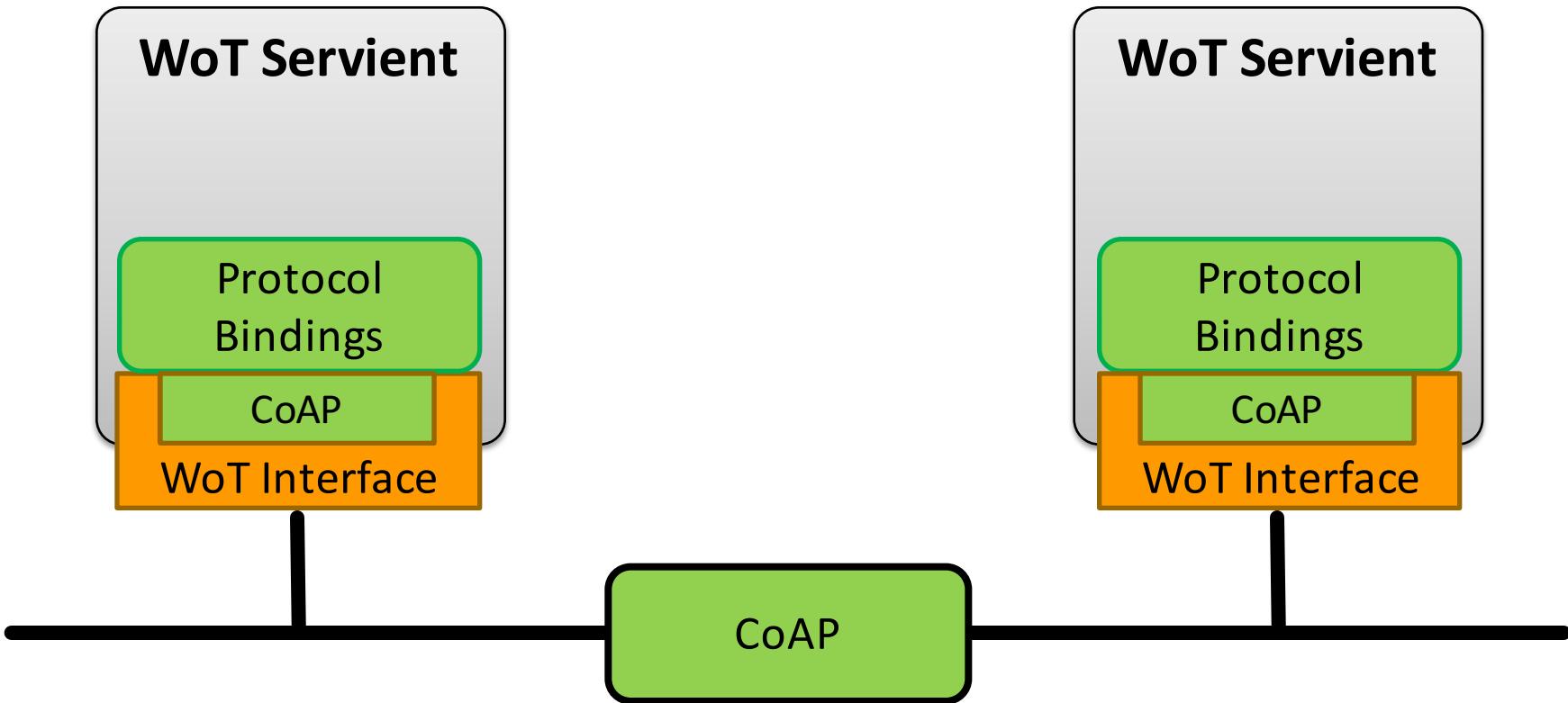
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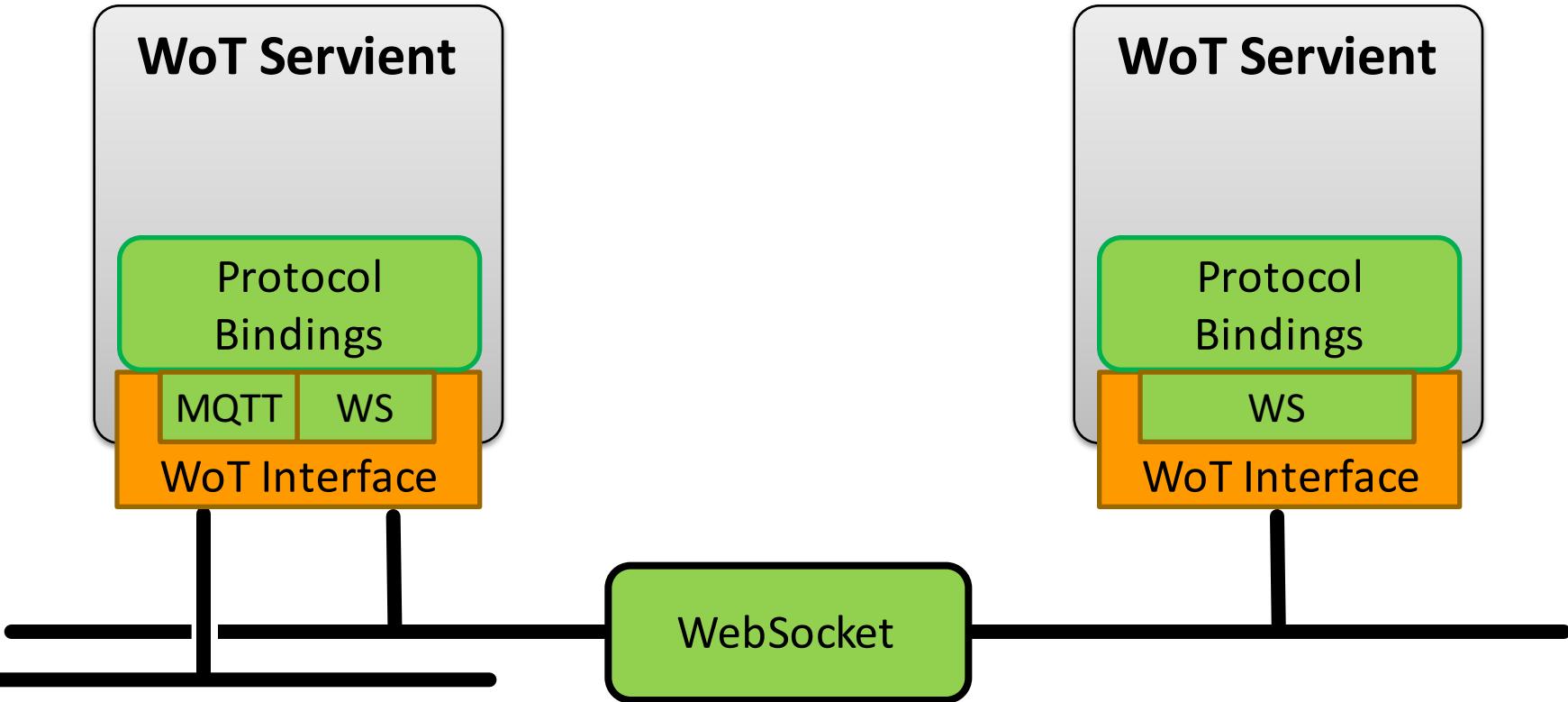
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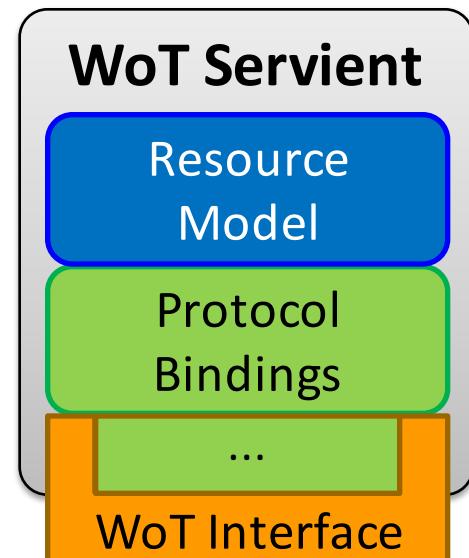
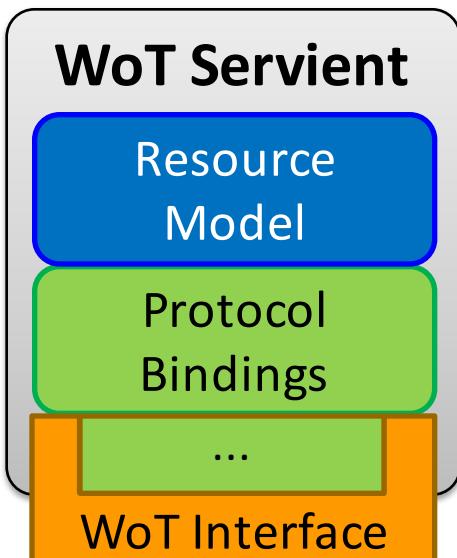
Protocol Bindings

- Multiple bindings possible on Things



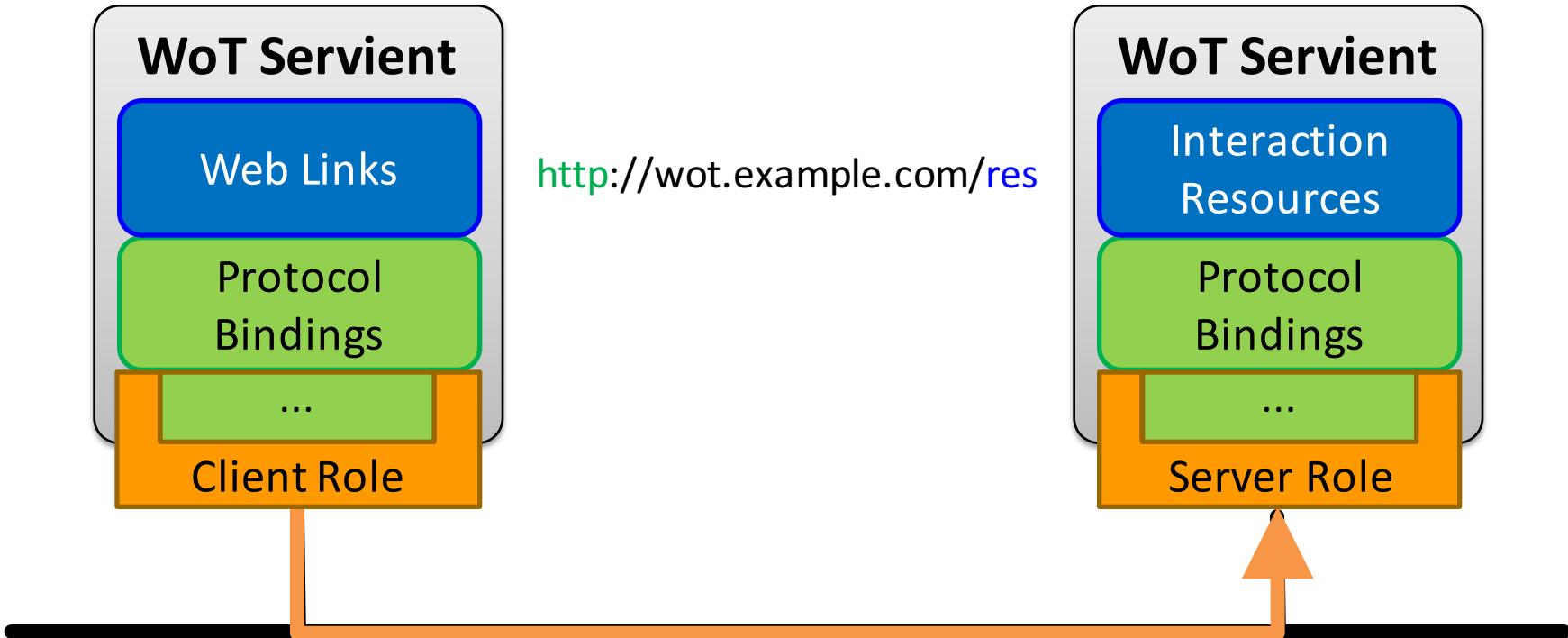
Resource Model

- Interaction points are Web resources



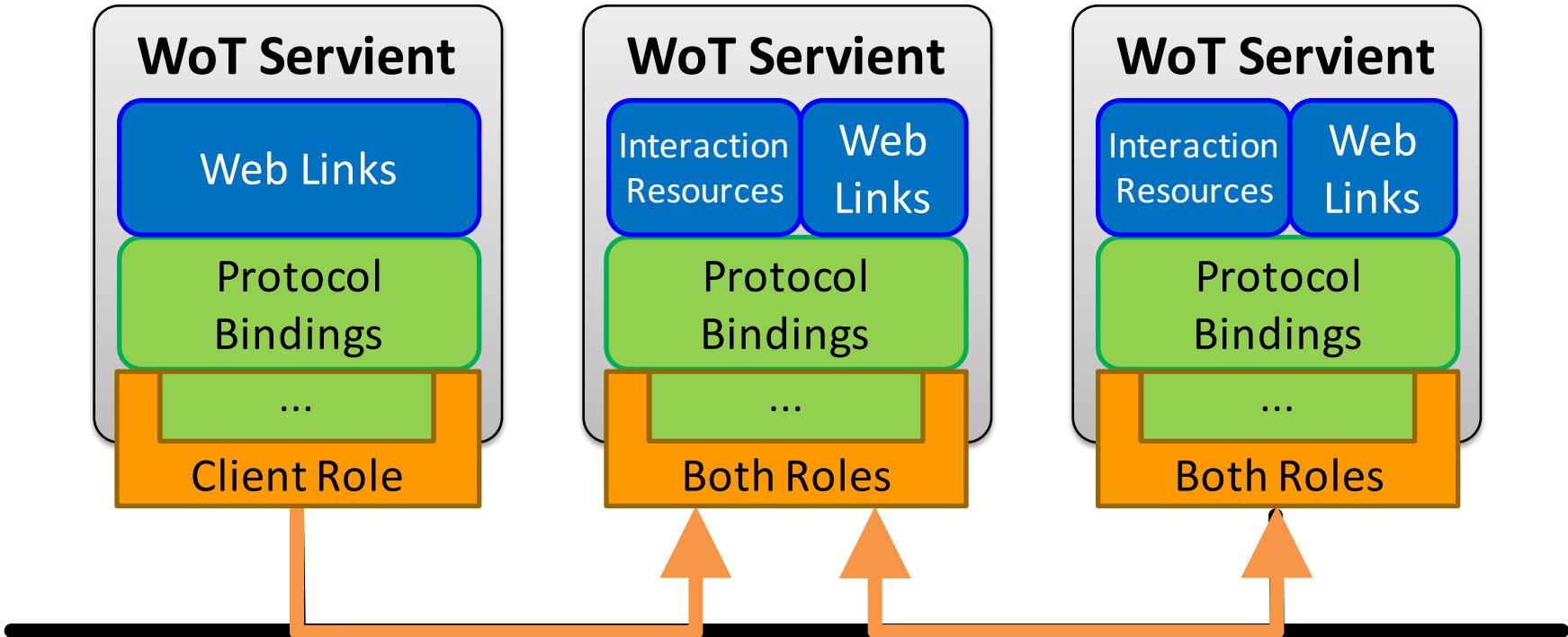
Servient Role

- Exposing Things are in server role
- Consuming Things are in client role



Servient Role

- Usually both roles at the same time → *Servient*



Metadata and Interactions

[http://w3c.github.io/wot/current-practices/
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THING DESCRIPTION

How to Interact with WoT Servients?

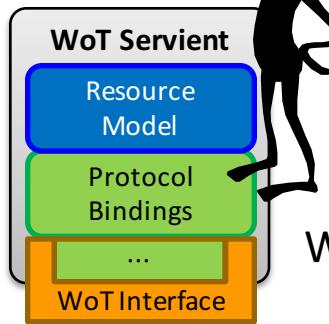
What kind of data do you serve?

How can I access the data/function?

What kind of protocols/encodings do you support?

? Who are you?

What kind of functions do you have?



Are there some security constraints?

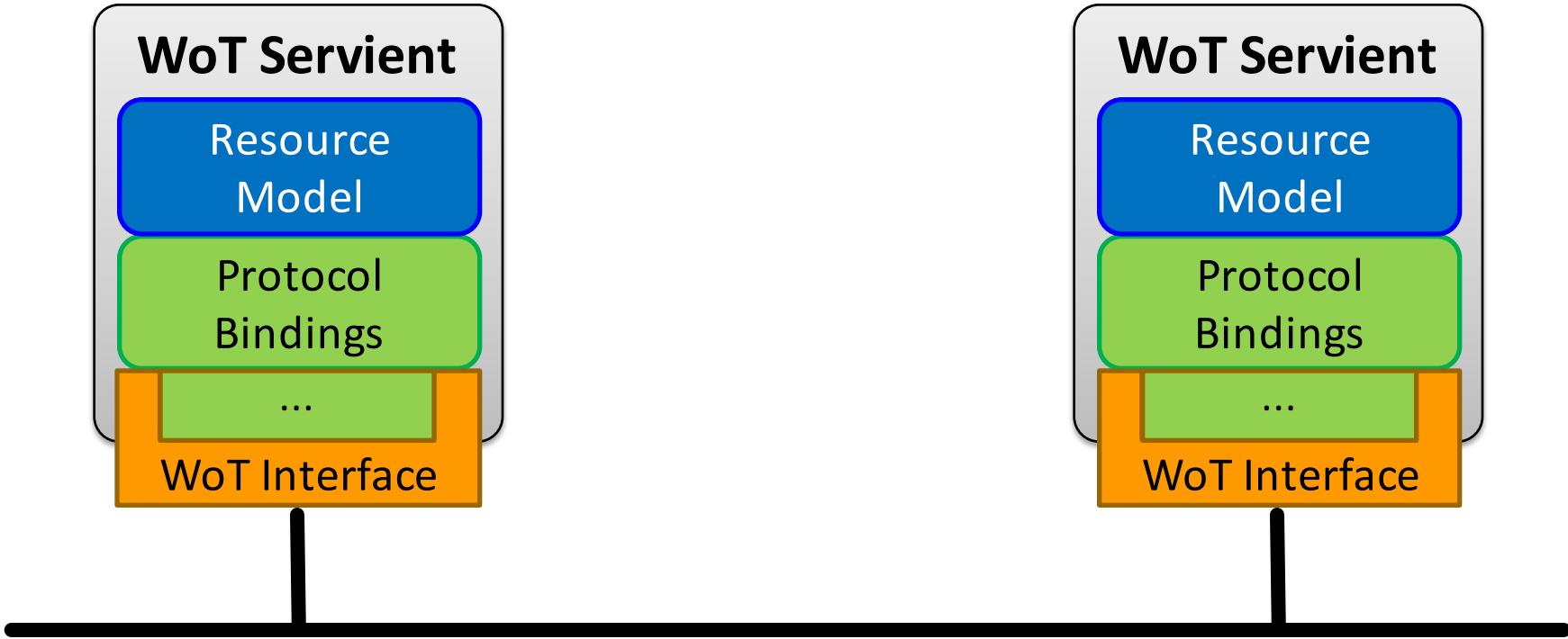
→ W3C Thing Description

Semantic Description

- Reach interoperability through Linked Data vocabularies
 - subject, predicate, object triples
 - rooted in the RDF model
- W3C Thing Description
 - describes WoT Interface to interact with Things
 - extensible with domain-specific vocabulary
 - different serializations possible

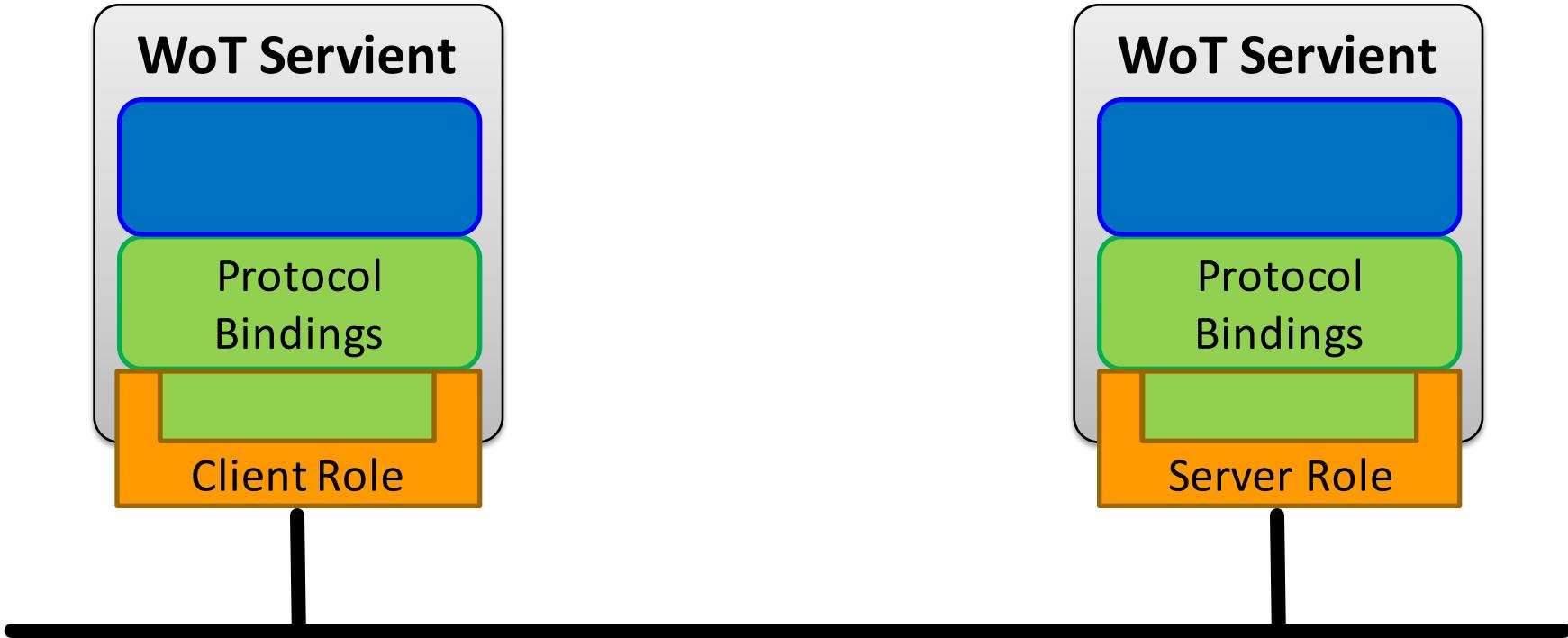
Thing Description (TD)

- Describes Thing metadata and interactions



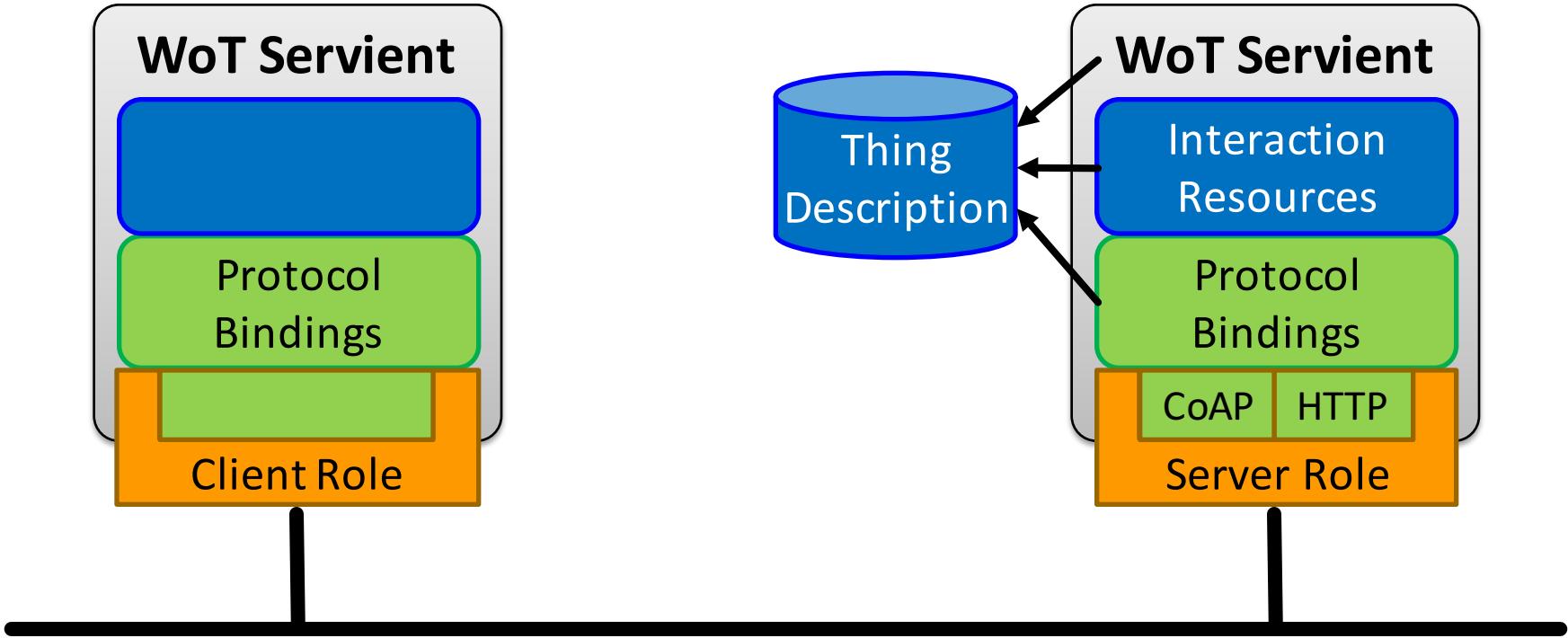
Thing Description (TD)

- Consuming Things are in client role
- Exposed Things are in server role



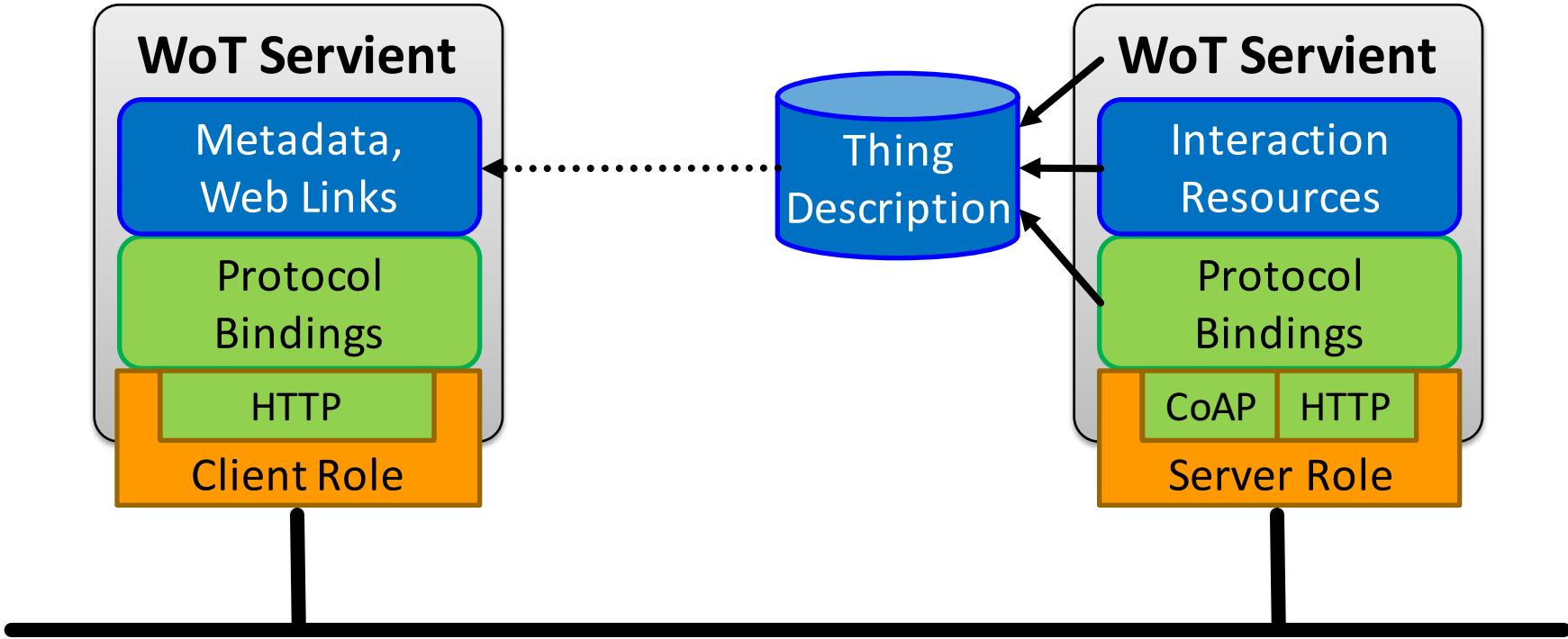
Thing Description (TD)

- Exposed Things provide Thing Description



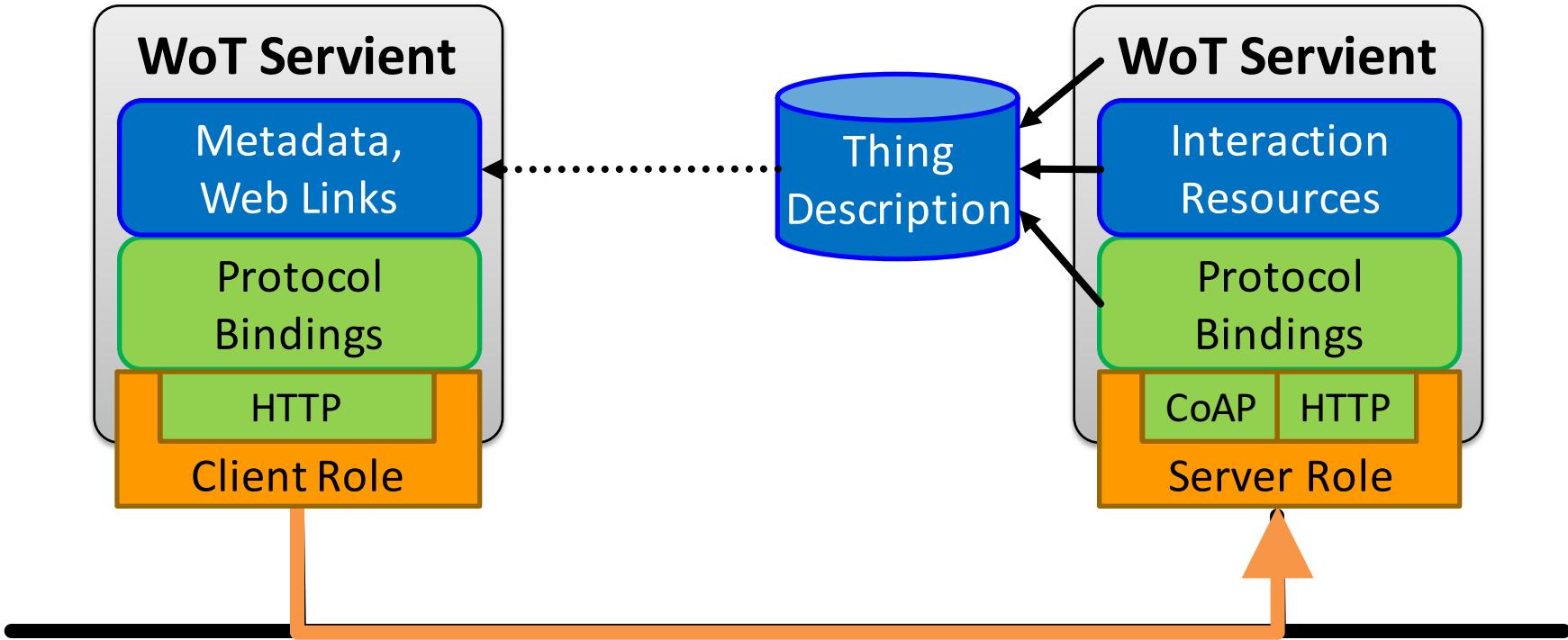
Thing Description (TD)

- Consuming Things learn WoT Interface from TD



Thing Description (TD)

- Thing-to-thing communication



Thing Description (TD)

- Default serialization is JSON-LD
 - based on well established JSON format
 - different implementations and tools available
 - @context defines vocabularies
 - See TD example

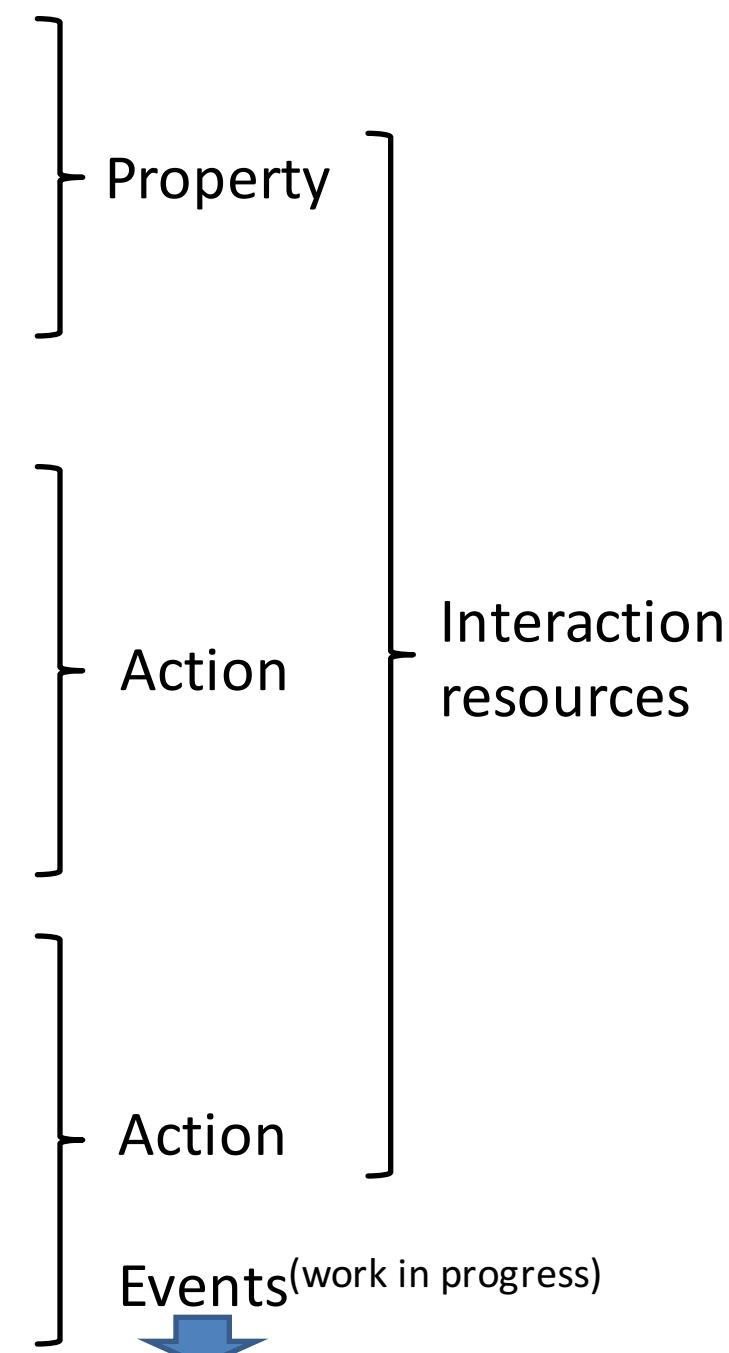
TD Example

```
{  
  "@context": [  
    "http://w3c.github.io/wot/w3c-wot-td-context.jsonld",  
    { "actuator": "http://example.org/actuator#" }  
],  
  
  "@type": "Thing",  
  "name": "MyLEDThing",  
  

```

```
"properties": [  
    {  
        "@type": "actuator:onOffStatus",  
        "name": "status",  
        "valueType": { "type": "boolean" },  
        "writable": true,  
        "hrefs": [ "pwr", "status" ]  
    }  
],  
"actions": [  
    {  
        "@type": "actuator:fadeIn",  
        "name": "fadeIn",  

```



Type System

- Default currently based on JSON Schema
<http://w3c.github.io/wot/current-practices/wot-practices.html#type-system>
- Best start with simple types
 - boolean
 - integer
 - number
 - string
- Other systems can be plugged in under “valueType” field

How to Create a TD?

- Manually copy, paste, and modify
 - <http://w3c.github.io/wot/current-practices/wot-practices.html#td-examples>
 - or look into the TD repository
<http://vs0.inf.ethz.ch:8080>
(development repository, sometimes offline)
- Generate from development framework
 - TD serialization based on the interactions provided

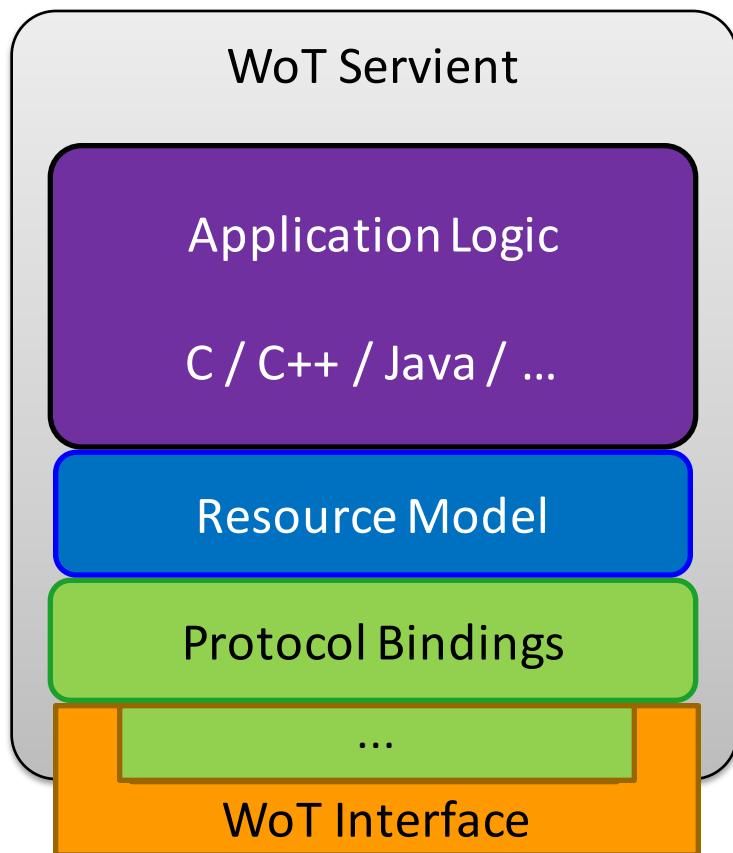
Runtime Environment and Portable Apps

[http://w3c.github.io/wot/current-practices/
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SCRIPTING API

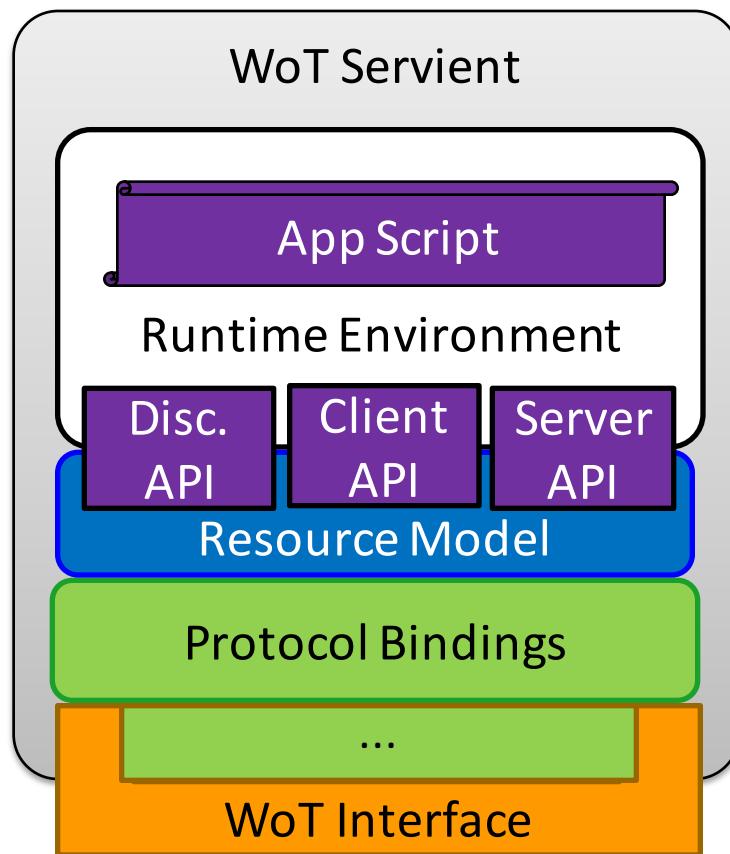
Without Scripting API

- Application logic often implemented natively



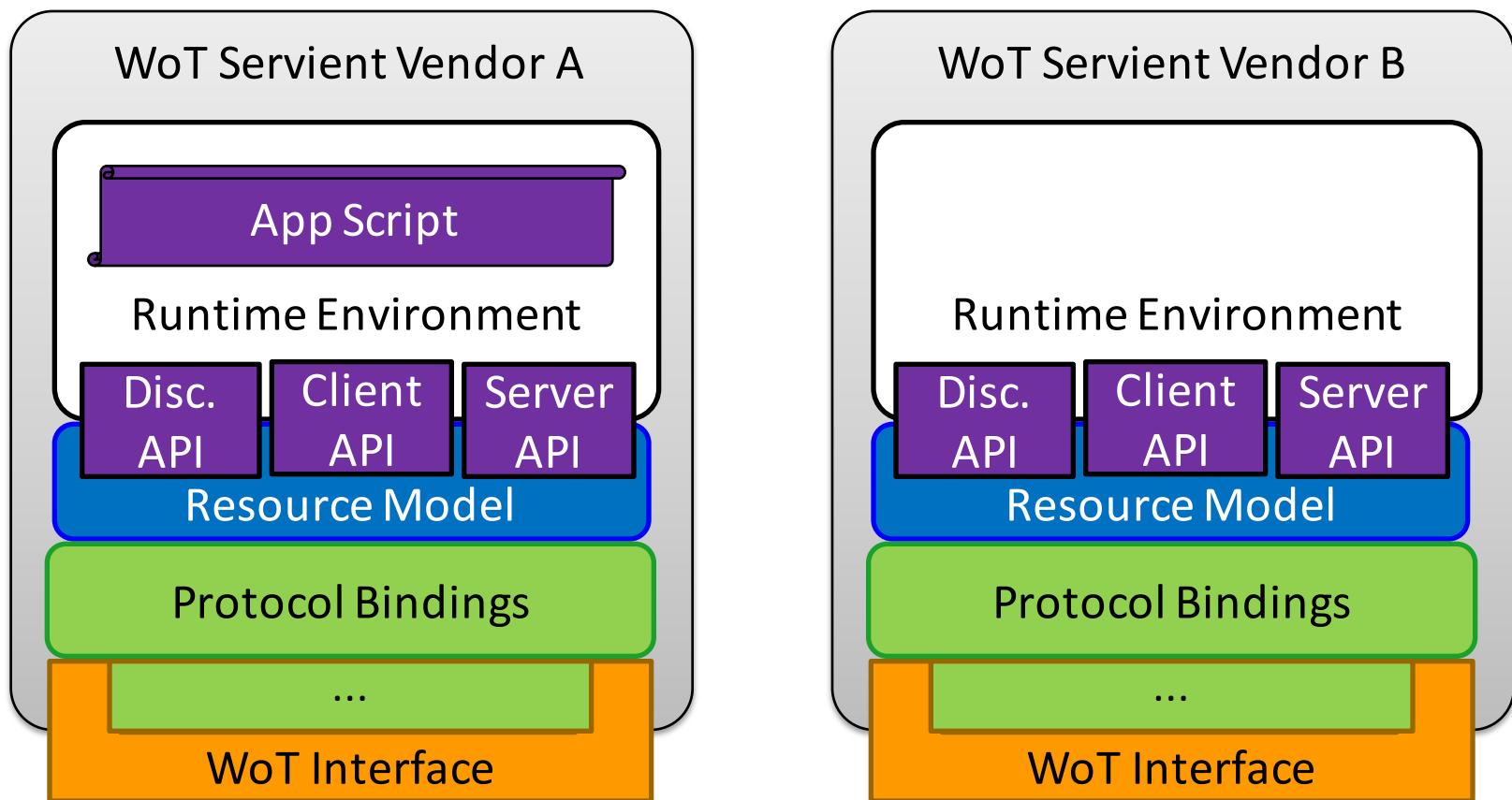
Scripting API

- Common runtime enables portable apps



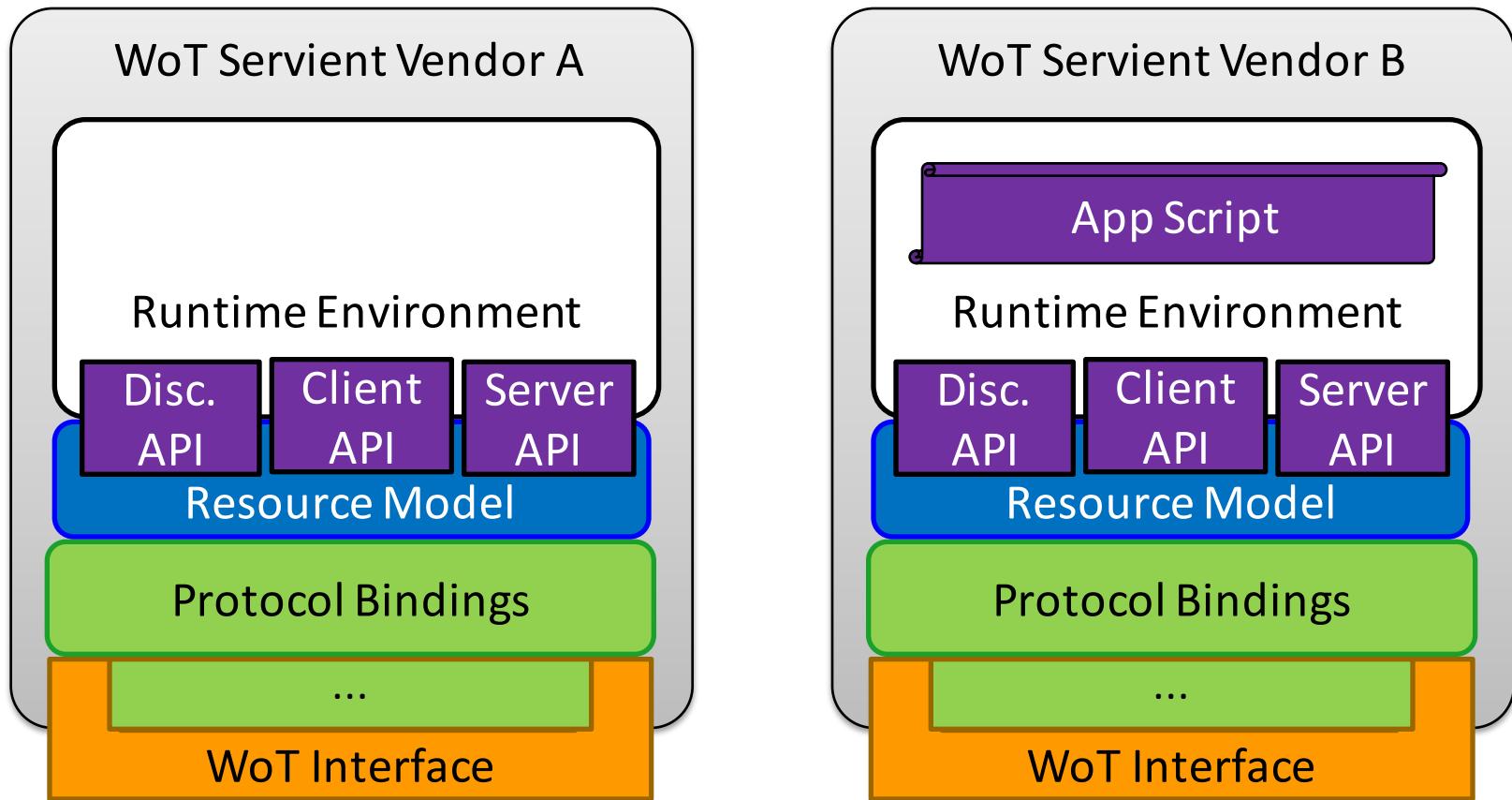
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WoT Root Element (with Discovery)

```
interface WoT {  
    Promise<sequence<ConsumedThing>> discover(ThingFilter filter);  
    Promise<ConsumedThing> consumeDescription(Object td);  
    Promise<ConsumedThing> consumeDescriptionUri(DOMString uri);  
    Promise<ExposedThing> createThing(DOMString name);  
    Promise<ExposedThing> createFromDescription(Object td);  
    Promise<ExposedThing> createFromDescriptionUri(DOMString uri);  
};
```

Client API: ConsumedThing

```
interface ConsumedThing{  
    readonly attribute DOMString name;  
    Promise<any> getProperty(DOMString propertyName);  
    Promise<any> setProperty(DOMString propertyName, any newValue);  
    Promise<any> invokeAction(DOMString actionPerformed, any parameter);  
    ConsumedThing addListener(DOMString eventName,  
                               ThingEventListener listener);  
    ConsumedThing removeListener(DOMString eventName,  
                               ThingEventListener listener);  
    ConsumedThing removeAllListeners(DOMString eventName);  
    Object getDescription();  
};
```

Server API: ExposedThing

```
interface ExposedThing {  
    readonly attribute DOMString name;  
    ExposedThing addProperty(DOMString name, object type);  
    ExposedThing addAction(DOMString name, Object input, Object output);  
    ExposedThing addEvent(DOMString name, Object output);  
    Promise<any> getProperty(DOMString propertyName);  
    Promise<any> setProperty(DOMString propertyName, any newValue);  
    Promise<any> emitEvent(DOMString eventName, any payload);  
    ExposedThing onUpdateProperty(DOMString n, PropertyChangeListener cb);  
    ExposedThing onInvokeAction(DOMString actionPerformed, ActionHandler cb);  
    Object getDescription();  
};
```

Script Example (Consume Thing)

```
WoT.consumeDescriptionUri("http://servient.example.com/things/counter")
  .then(function(counter) {
    counter
      .invokeAction("increment", {}).then(function() {
        console.log("incremented");
        counter
          .getProperty("count").then(function(count) {
            console.log("new count state is " + count);
          });
      })._catch(console.error);
  })
  ._catch(function(err) {
    console.error(err);
});
});
```

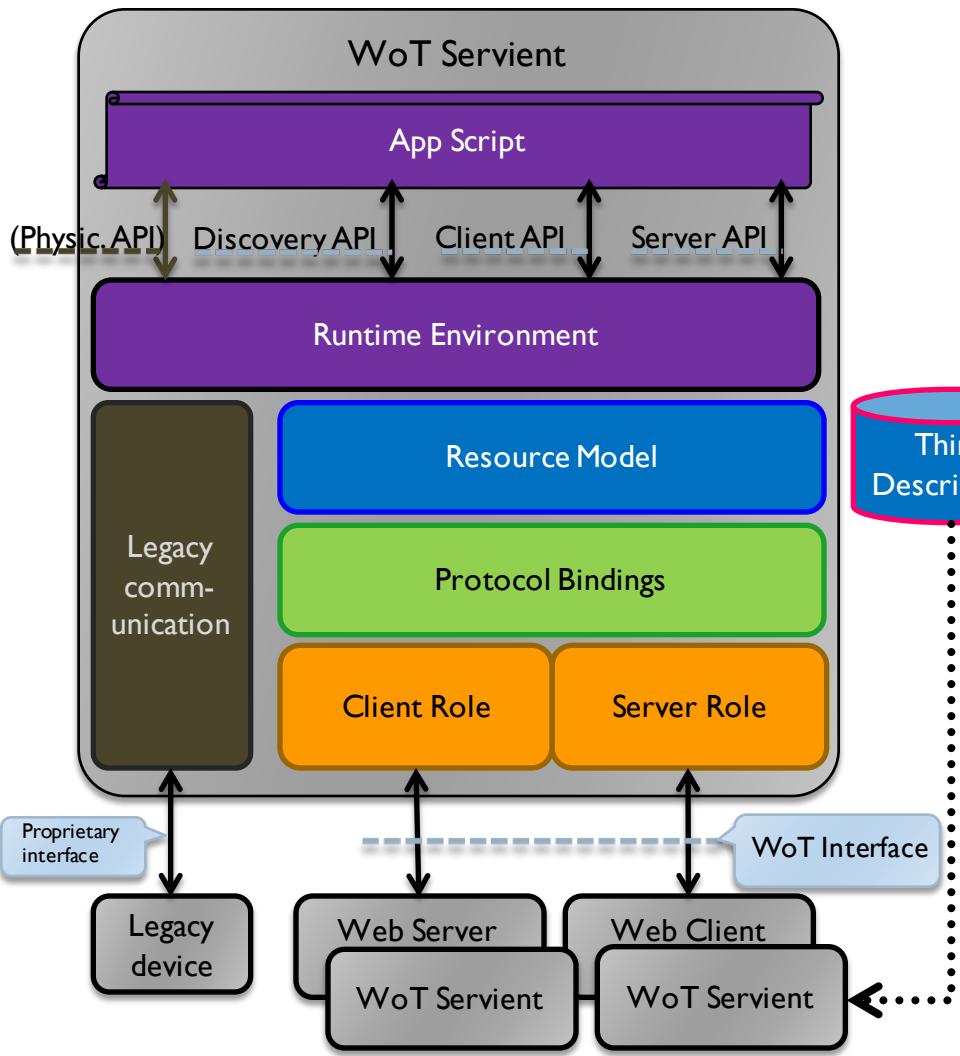
Script Example (Expose Thing)

```
WoT.newThing("counter")
  .then(function(thing) {
    thing
      .addProperty("count", {"type": "integer"})
      .addAction("increment")
      .onInvokeAction("increment", function() {
        console.log("incrementing counter");
        var value = thing.getProperty("count") + 1;
        thing.setProperty("count", value);
        return value;
      });
    thing
      .setProperty("count", 0)
  });
});
```

W3C Web of Things

SUMMARY

Thing Implementation: WoT Servient



Application Logic:

Can consume remote Things through the Client API, local hardware and connected legacy devices through a Physical API (t.b.d.), and expose Things through the Server API. To allow portable app scripts, the Servient must provide a runtime environment.

Resource Model:

Provides a common abstraction with uniform interface across the different protocols. Like the Web, it allows to identify and address interaction points through URIs.

Thing Description (TD):

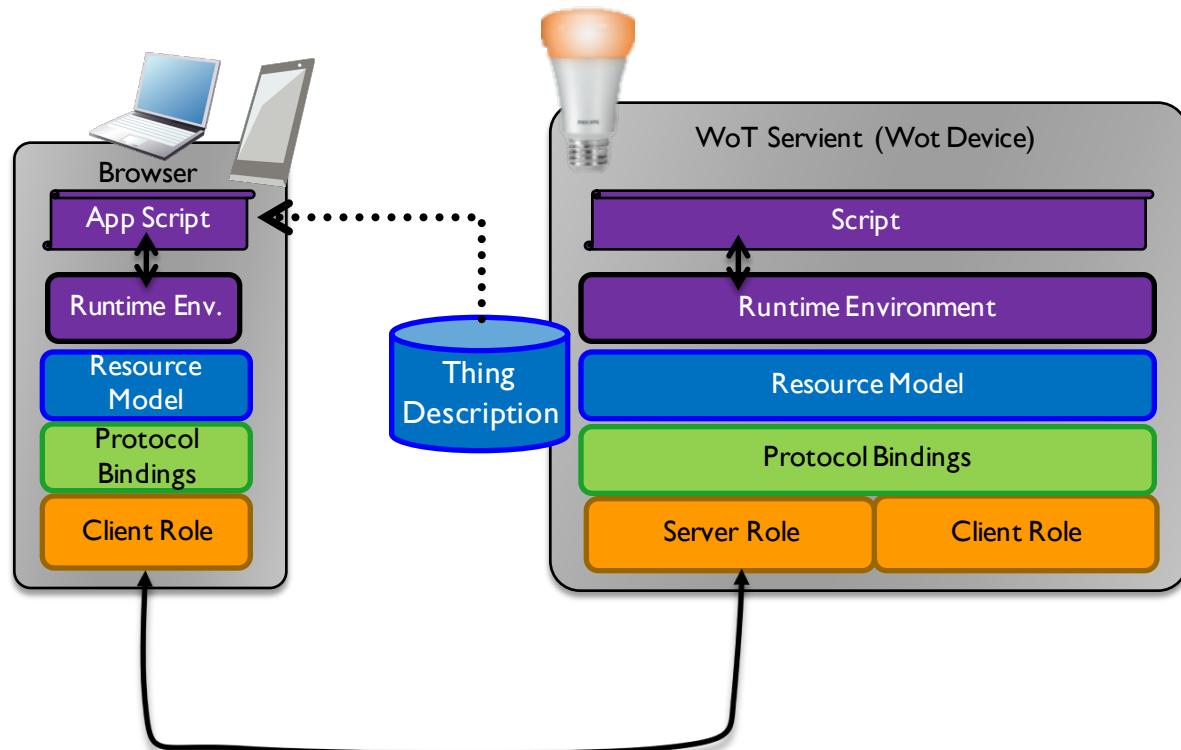
Declares WoT Interface for interaction and provides (semantic) metadata for the Thing. TD is used by WoT clients to instantiate local software object of the Thing.

Protocol Binding:

Converts abstract interactions with Things to different protocols using the information from TD.

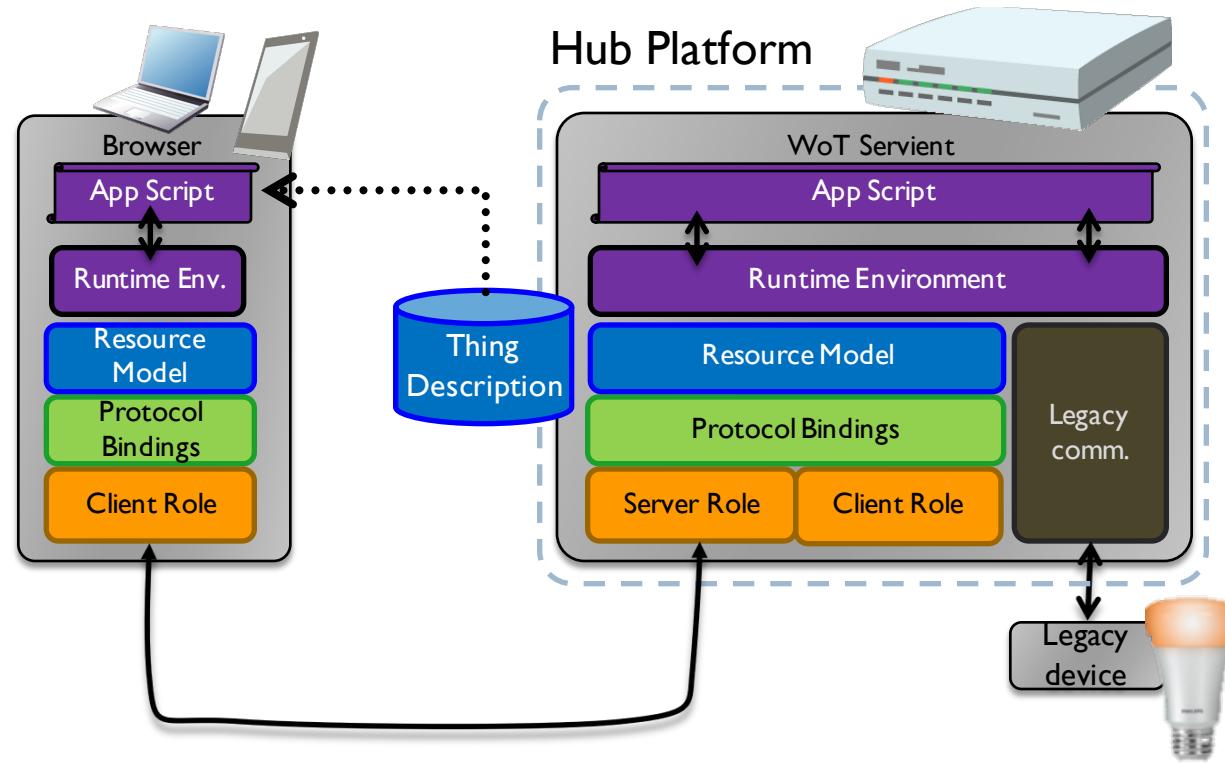
WoT Servient on Thing Itself

- Native WoT Things host a Servient directly
- TD is provided by Thing or supporting host on the Web



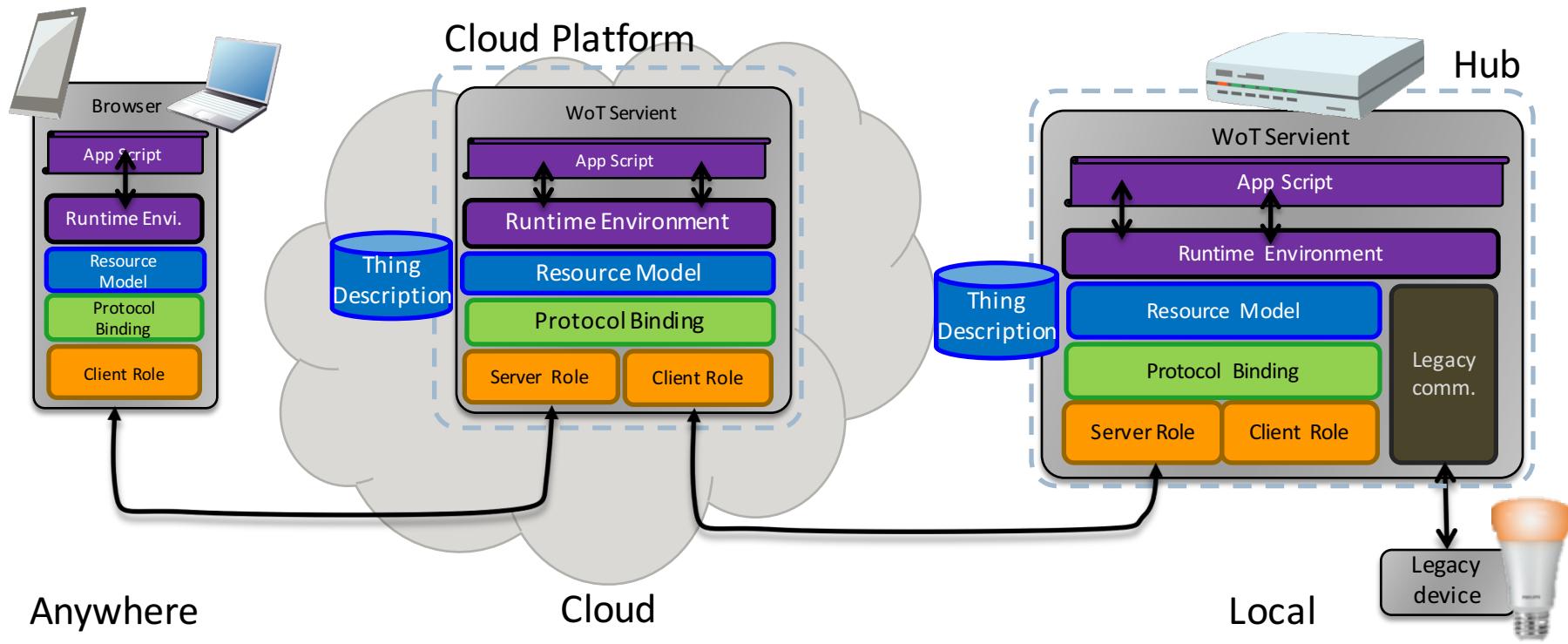
WoT Servient on Integration Hub

- WoT Servients can run on hubs (e.g., smartphone, gateway)
- Multiple Servients can be instantiated through sandboxed apps
- Apps can act as agents/proxies for legacy devices



WoT Servient in the Cloud

- A cloud mirror (device shadow) enables scalable remote access
- Is synchronized with local Servient
- Can forward interactions and cache data



Online Resources

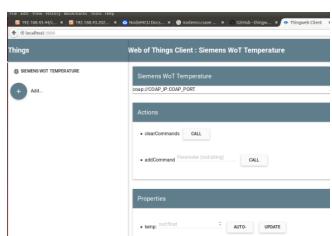
- Interest Group
 - <https://www.w3.org/WoT/IG/>
 - <https://lists.w3.org/Archives/Public/public-wot-ig/> (subscribe to mailing list)
- Documents (for implementers)
 - <http://w3c.github.io/wot/architecture/wot-architecture.html>
 - <http://w3c.github.io/wot/current-practices/wot-practices.html> (living document)
Beijing 2016 Release:
<http://w3c.github.io/wot/current-practices/wot-practices-beijing-2016.html>
- GitHub (documents and proposals)
 - <https://github.com/w3c/wot>
- Wiki (organizational information: WebConf calls, Face-to-Face meetings, ...)
 - https://www.w3.org/WoT/IG/wiki/Main_Page
- WoT Projects (implementing WoT Current Practices)
 - <https://github.com/thingweb/>
 - <https://github.com/mkovatsc/wot-demo-devices>
 - Please add yours!

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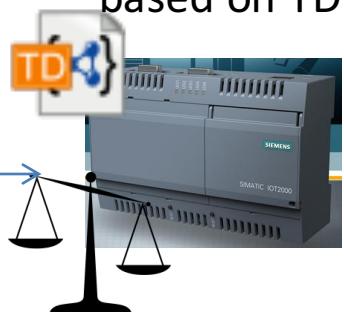
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Scenario 1 – ‘Hello WoT’

WoT TD interpreter
for human interaction



Setup servient
interaction
based on TD



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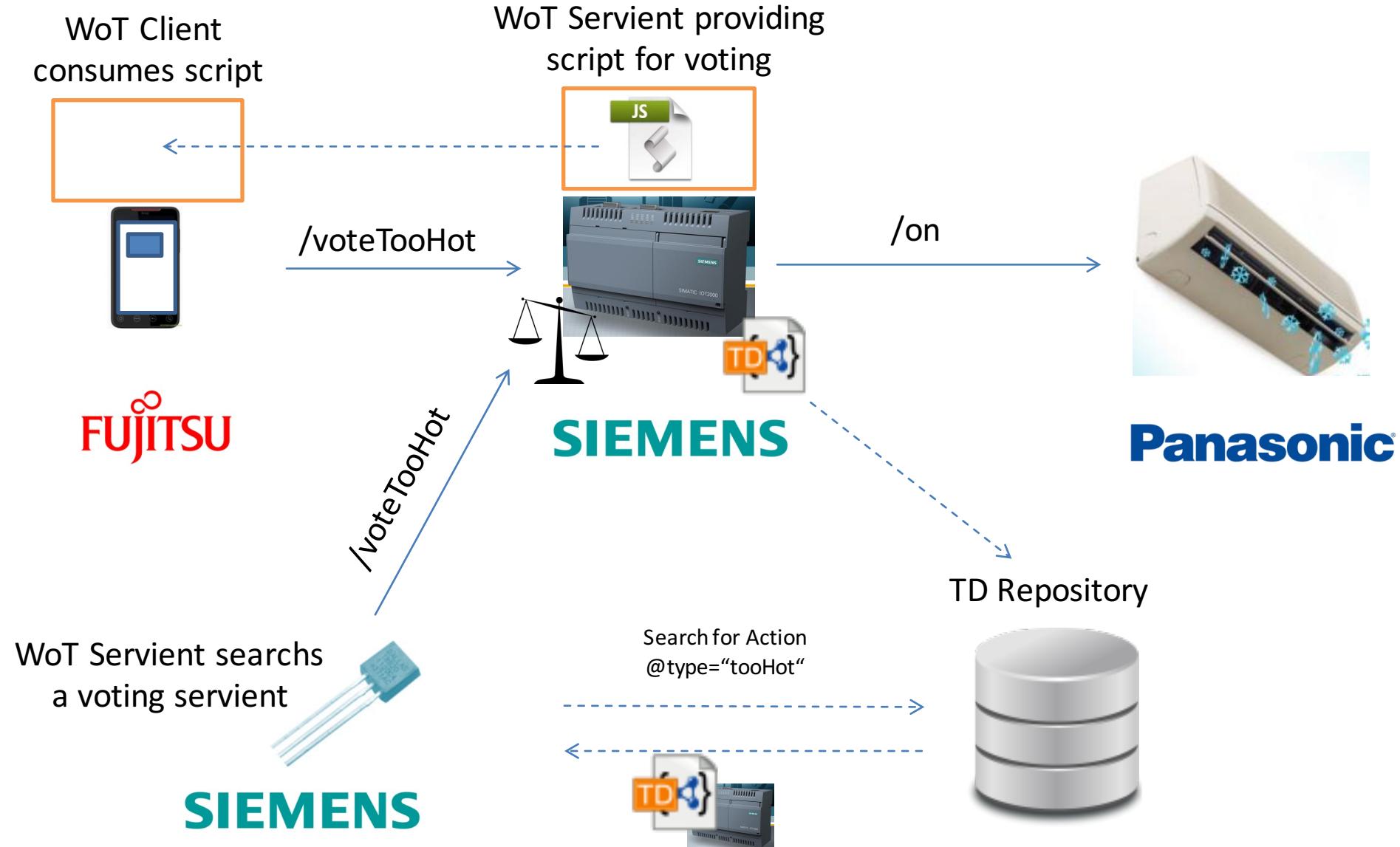
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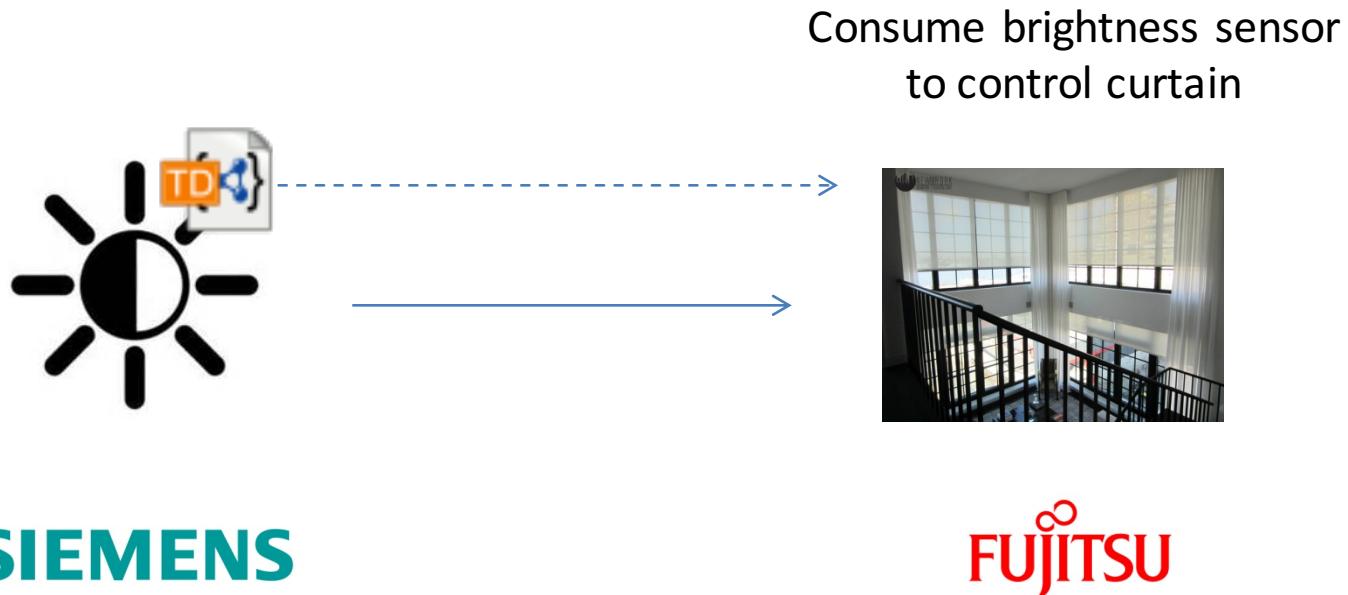


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Scenario 2 – ‘Full WoT’



Scenario 3 – ‘Mini Automation’



Online Resources

- Current Practices (Beijing Release)
 - <http://w3c.github.io/wot/current-practices/wot-practices-beijing-2016.html>
- Organization Wiki
 - https://www.w3.org/WoT/IG/wiki/F2F_meeting,_July_2016,_China,_Beijing#PlugFest
- Test Cases
 - <https://github.com/w3c/wot/blob/master/plugfest/2016-beijing/plugfest-test-cases-beijing-2016.md>
- Report Template
 - <https://github.com/w3c/wot/blob/master/plugfest/2016-beijing/TestCaseCoverage.xlsx>
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