

uProtocol

Connecting Automotive Apps and Services Everywhere!



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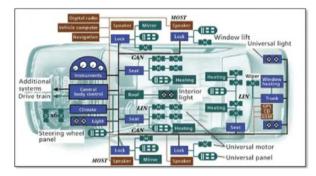
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Agenda

- Problem Statement (Why?)
- What is uProtocol?
- How?
 - Building Blocks
 - Three Layers
- Next Steps



Problem Statement (Why?)



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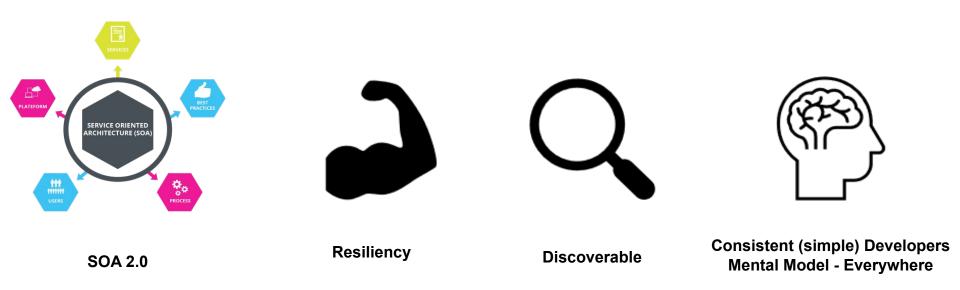
The Past

Present



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What is uProtocol (Guiding Principles)





How: The Building Blocks

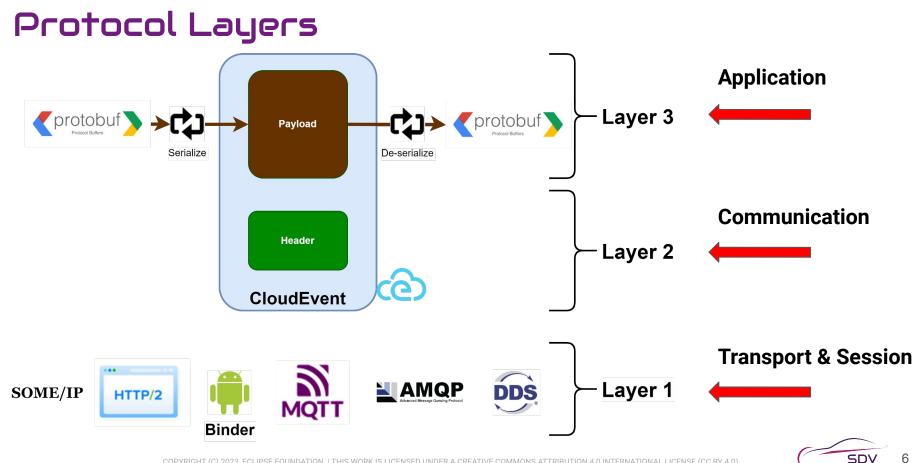


URIs to identify and address Things..



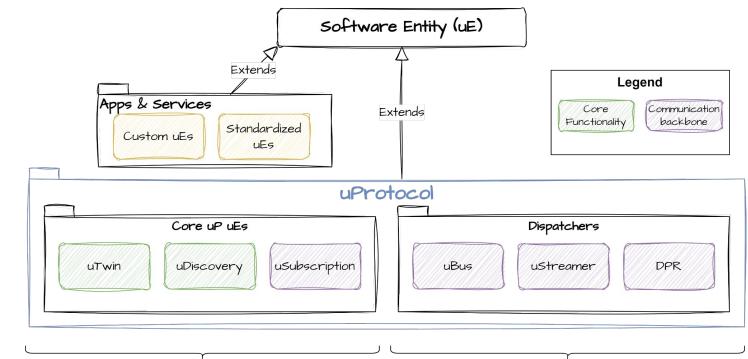
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Software Entities



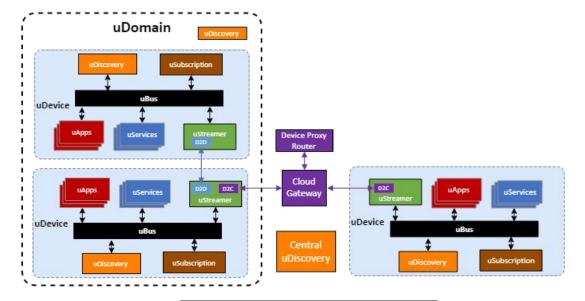
Application Layer (uP-L3)

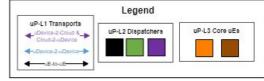
Communication Layer (uP-L2)



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Putting it all together







Next Steps

• Lots more to share!



To be continued...





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What is uProtocol?

Term	Definition	
uDevice	Independent execution environment that has platform software components to implement uProtocol (ex. ECUs, Android-OS, Linux). Typically, uEs can communicate with each other within a uDevice using Inter-process communication (IPC) protocols	
uDomain	Collection (group) of uDevices using DNS nomenclature (ex. vehicle, Cloud, etc)	
uE	Software Entity that talks uProtocol	
иАрр	uE that performs the role of consumer	
uService	uE that performs the role of producer	
Resources	Something that can be manipulated/controlled/exposed by a service (ex. Door, window, camera, etc)	
Topics	Subject that a producer produces to and a subscriber subscribes to per the publisher-subscriber design pattern	



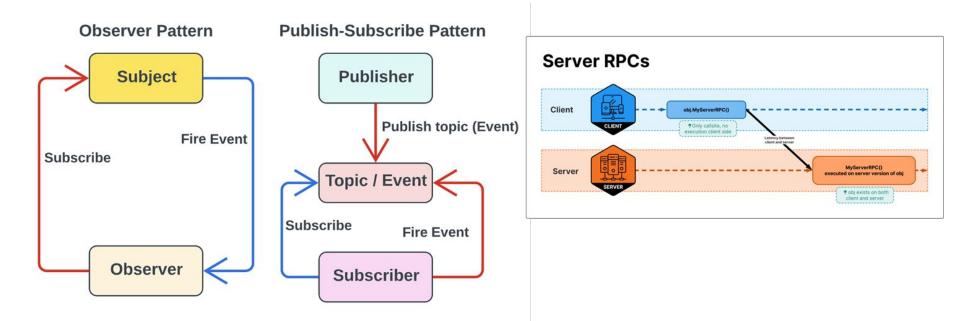
CloudEvents



Purpose	CloudEvent Attributes	
Where did it come from?	source	
What is the destination?	sink	
What type of event?	type	
What is the unique identifier?	id	
What format is the data?	datacontenttype	
What schema is the data?	dataschema	
What is the event data	data	



Architecture Patterns





Application Layer (uP-L3)

Overview

- $\circ\,$ Business logic definition layer
- $\circ\,$ Interface (methods, topics, messages) declared in proto files
- $\circ\,$ Architecture Patterns for communication:

Pattern	Description	
RPC	Unary Request & response between uEs	
Publication	Publisher produces events for many consumers/subscribers	
Notification	Fire & forget event from one uE to the next (1:1 not 1:n relationship)	

 $\circ\,$ Application layer messages placed in CE payload (data)

uProtocol Application Layer uEs

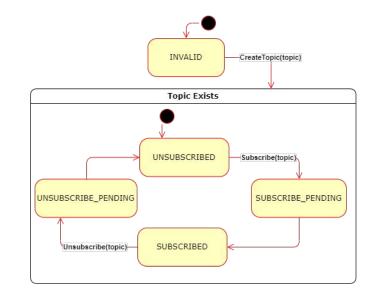
• Set of core services that MUST be supported in all uDevices (ex. uSubscription & uDiscovery)

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uSubscription

• Purpose

- To allow local subscribers to subscribe to locally produced topics
 - Both the subscribes and producers are on the same device
- To allow subscribers to subscribe to remotely produced topics (and vice versa)
 - Producers and subscribers are not in the same device
- \circ $\,$ To allow producers the ability to create/delete topics
- Additional Functionality
 - Manage distributed subscriptions states
 - Notification for observers when subscription state changes
 - Management of topic lifecycle
 - $\circ~$ Advanced subscription attributes



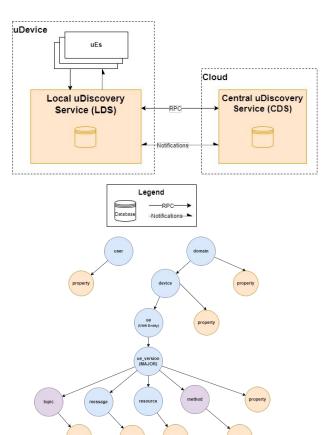
uDiscovery

• Purpose

- Provide a distributed database of deployed (static) information about uThings (uDevices, uDomains, uEs, etc...)
- $\circ~$ CRUD operations for uEs to get/set data in the database

• Taxonomy

- Schema, nodes, classifications of uThings
- Node
 - A globally addressable uThings and contains a list properties as well as 0-n child Nodes
- Properties
 - Key-value pair of information about said Node (can be of any various scalar and non-scalar types)



Legend

Communication Layer (uP-L2)



uP-L2 Purpose

- To define events types and their use cases
- To describe event attribute details (use and purpose)
- Dispatching/routing of events (using event attributes)

uProtocol Event Types

Туре	Use Case
Publish	Publish generic message
File	Publish file transfer event. Files are transferred automatically by publishing this message type
Request	RPC Request message
Response	RPC Response Message

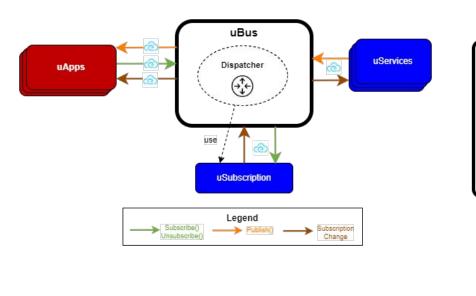
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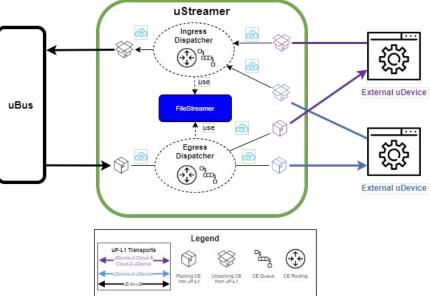
uBus

Intra-uDevice uE-2-uE Event Dispatcher

uStreamer

Inter-uDevice Event Dispatcher





Transport/Session Layer (uP-L1)

Purpose

- To define "how" to implement bidirectional point-2-point communication between uEs over existing Internet, automotive, and OEM proprietary standards
- Connection management & establishment
- CE Formats (how CEs are encoded in the transport protocol)

Sample Transports

Transports	Protocol	CE Format
Android	Binder	Protobuf
Vehicle $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Cloud	MQTT	<u>JSON</u>
Within Cloud	HTTP/2	
Inter-Device (In-vehicle)	SOME/IP	SOME/IP