

HomePort 1.0

"The software that everybody needs, but no one will pay to develop."

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"Internet of Things ?!"



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History of Homeport

- Started as a PhD-project in 2008 with Jeppe Rørbæk Brønsted and Rune Torbensen
- Adopted by the research project Dit Hus in April 2009 with Develco, Seluxit, Servodan, CISS and Alexandra Instituttet (funding ends July 2012).
- Marts 2011 Jesper (me) hired
- September 2011 Regis and Thibaut hired
- Encourage (funding)
- February 2012, Petur Joins the team

Servicecentric

Event: On motion

Event: Door/window open

Input: Turn **power** on/off

Output: **Power** state

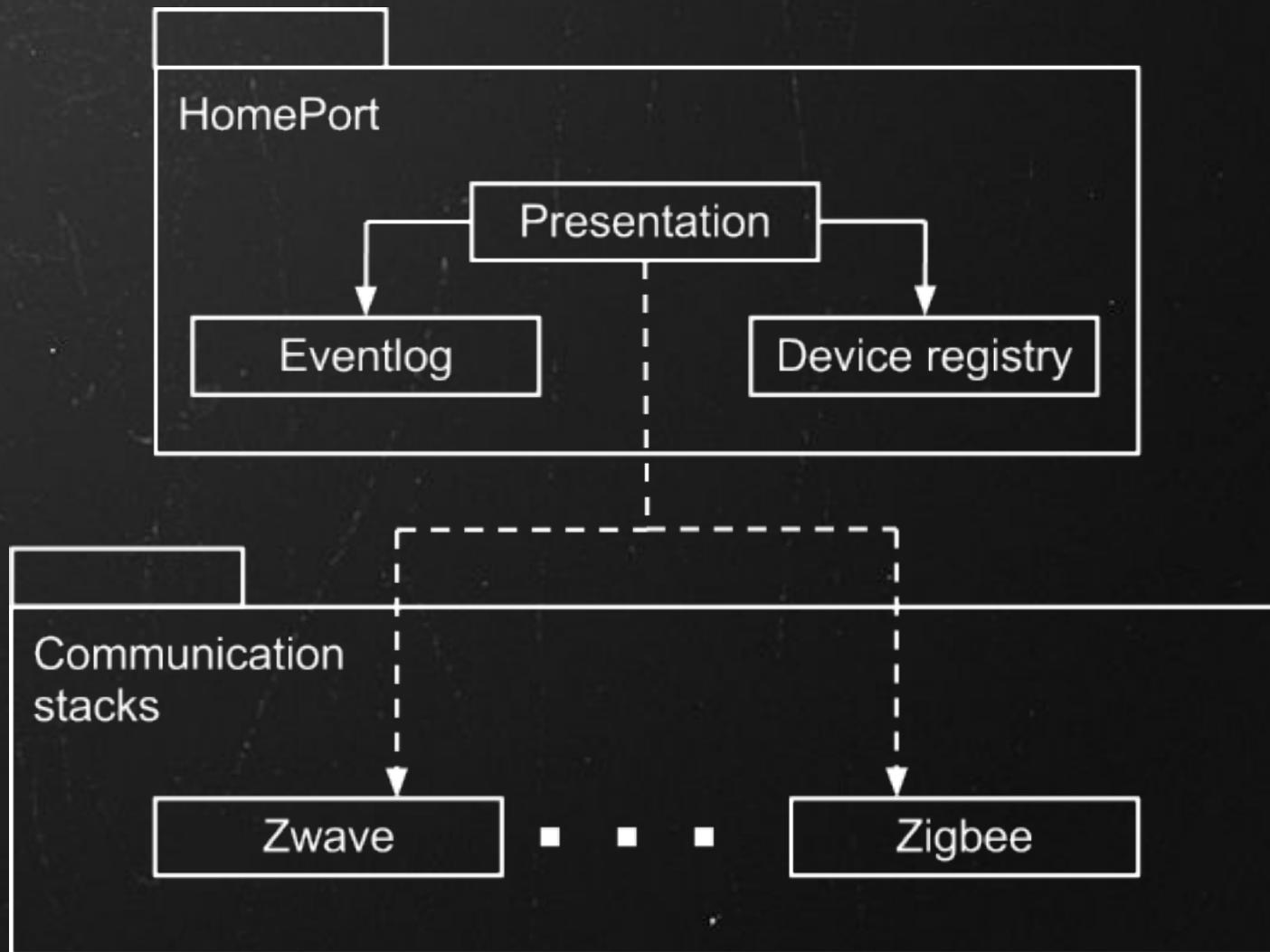
Event: On **power** state change



Output: Temperature
Humidity

Input: Set temperature

Architecture



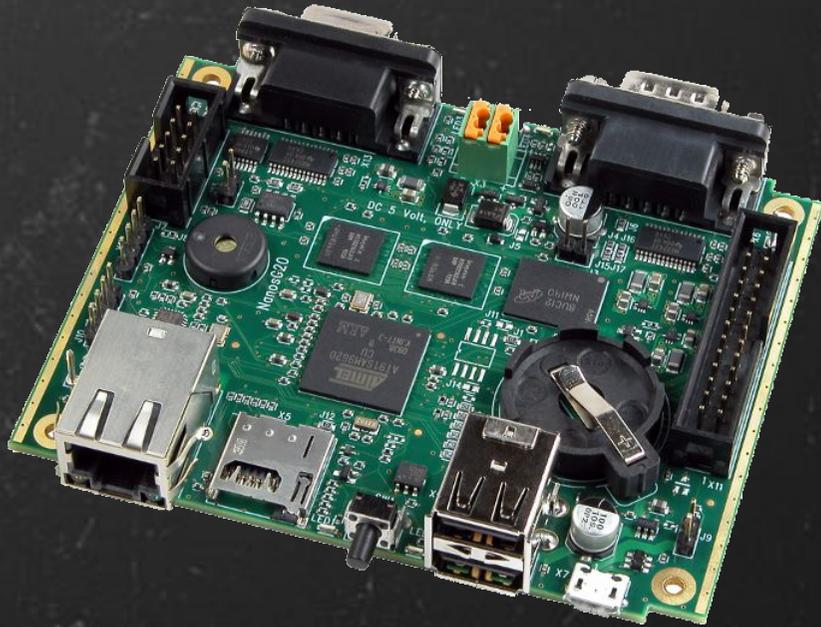
Technology

- Embedded Linux
- HTTP (REST)
 - HTTP verbs are used extensively
 - EventSource used to push events
 - RESTfull approach ensures idempotence
 - Easy access from applications
- ZeroConf and mDNS (Avahi)
 - Auto configure network
 - Distribute device directory
- SSL
 - Standard way to add security
- XML

Embedded Linux

- *Getting very easy to work with*
- *Emdebian*
 - *Cross toolchains*
 - *cross compiling (still a bitch ;)*
 - *Multistrap*
- *Nice hardware*

NanosG20



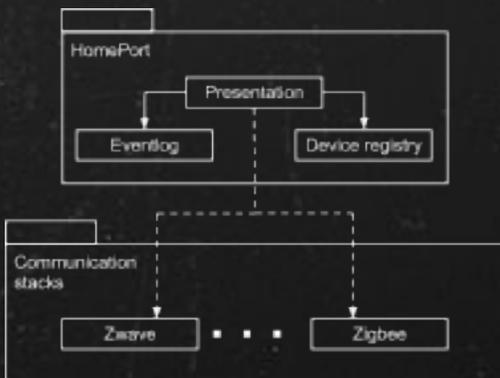
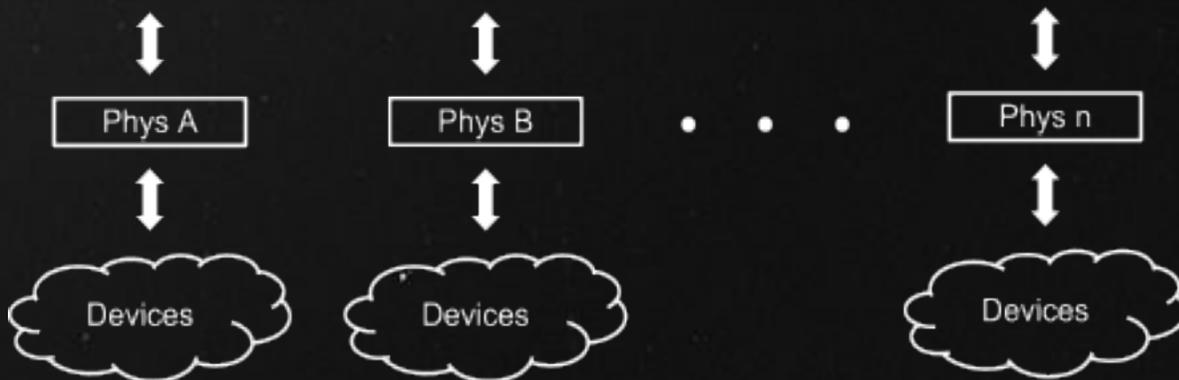
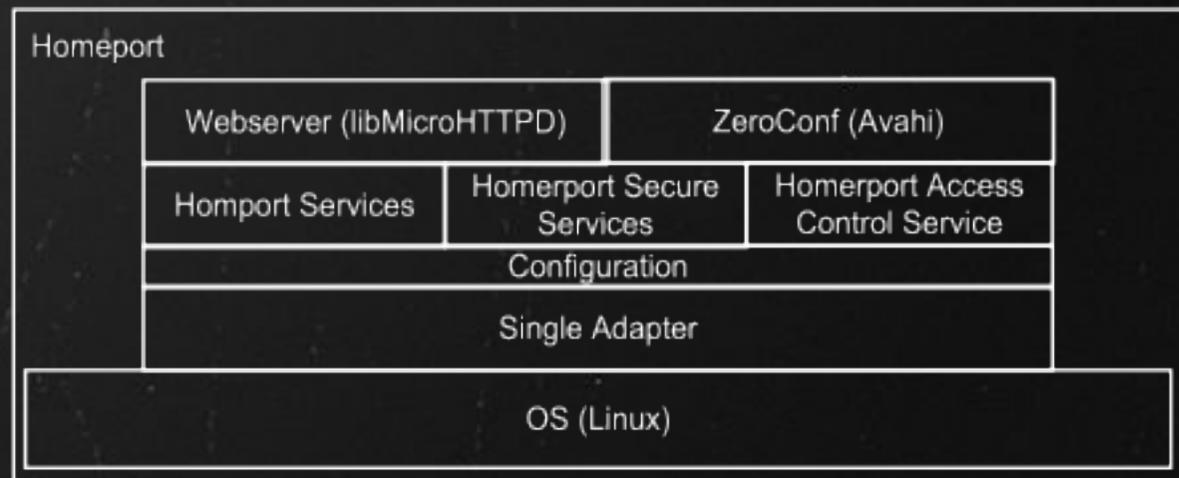
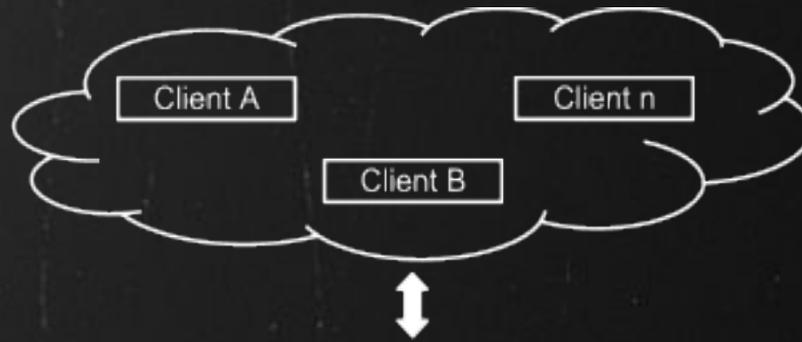
- Linux Computer with an Atmel® ARM AT91SAM9G20 microcontroller.
- Energy consumption < 1W at full system load.
- 400 MHz, 256 MB Flash and 64 MB SDRAM.
- Ethernet, MicroSD, 2 x USB host, RS232 and RS485.
- Cost-efficient and long-term available.
- OS Debian Linux.

- Pris: 99€.

Service and device description

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
<device desc="Lamp" id="0" location="Living room" port="0"  
type="lamp">  
  <service desc="On/off service" id="0" type="onoff" unit=""  
value_url="http://127.0.0.1/devices/0/lamp/0/">  
  </service>  
</device>
```

Implementation



Representational state transfer

(REST)

- Layered system
 - A client realize whether it is connected directly to the end server, or to an intermediary.
 - Can be used to enforce security policies, help scalability, etc.
- Code on demand (optional)
 - Transfer code to client
- Uniform interface
 - Identification of resources (URIs and metadata)
 - Manipulation of resources through these representations
 - Self-descriptive messages

Representational state transfer

| Resource | GET | PUT | POST | DELETE |
|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
| /resources/ | List the URIs and perhaps other details of the collection's members. | Replace the entire collection with another collection. | Create a new entry in the collection. The new entry's URL is assigned automatically and is usually returned by the operation. | Delete the entire collection. |
| /resources/item17/ | Retrieve a representation of the addressed member of the collection, expressed in an appropriate Internet media type. | Replace the addressed member of the collection, or if it doesn't exist, create it. | Treat the addressed member as a collection in its own right and create a new entry in it. | Delete the addressed member of the collection. |

Application interface

`http://127.0.0.1/devices/`



list of devices

Application interface

`http://127.0.0.1/devices/0`



list of device services

Application interface

`http://127.0.0.1/devices/0/lamp`



description of service type

Application interface

`http://127.0.0.1/devices/0/lamp/0/`



return state of service identified by URL

Adapter interface

```
int HPD_start( unsigned int option, char *hostname, ... );
```

```
int HPD_stop();
```

```
int HPD_register_service( Service *service_to_register );
```

```
int HPD_unregister_service( Service *service_to_unregister );
```

```
int HPD_register_device_services( Device *device_to_register );
```

```
int HPD_unregister_device_services( Device *device_to_unregister );
```

```
int HPD_send_event_of_value_change ( Service *service_changed,  
    char *updated_value );
```

Past projects

- iAbis
 - Rest home
- Conlan
 - access control system
- Danfos
 - Thermostat
- Zensehome
 - Power line communication
- Seluxit
 - Zwave

Current projects

- Develco
 - Zigbee and metering
- Zensehome and Nabto
 - Internet and STUN
- Eglu
 - Demo house

Future projects

- Encourage
 - energy optimisation
- Danish defence
 - energy optimisation

Selling Open Source

- BSD vs. GPL
- Binary blobs
- Who has the responsibility for maintenance
- Standardisation
- Open source group vs. real company

HomePort 2.0

- Multiple sandboxed adapters
- Better event interface
- Programmable rules
 - Triggers
 - Simulink to HomePort
- Binary HomePort
 - Tiny version of HomePort
 - One device, eight services
 - Target pic18
- Switch from XML to JSON
- Homogeneous network

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