OPC UA Working Group



OPC UA Technical Update

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Agenda

- OPC UA Introduction
- OPC UA Work Items
- OPC UA Sub Working Groups
- OPC UA PubSub Roadmap



OPC UA is an information centric layered architecture

- Secure
- Platform Independent
- Scalable
- Vendor Interoperability
- Object Oriented

OPC UA is much more than a protocol

Built-in Information Models

Base, DA, AC, HA, Prog, DI

OPC UA Meta Model

Basic rules for exposing information with OPC UA



OPC Foundation collaborations with organizations and domain experts

- OPC UA defines HOW
- Domain experts define WHAT

Companion Information Models

PLCopen, ADI, FDI, FDT, BACnet, MDIS, ISA95, AutomationML, MTConnect, AutoID, VDW, IEC 61850/61400, ODVA/Sercos and more coming

Built-in Information Models

OPC UA Meta Model



OPC UA Client/Server Communication Model

Client friendly API to access information in the server

Client/Server

Services

Browse Read / Write Method Calls Subscriptions

Protocols

UA Binary TCP HTTPS / UA Binary Webservices

Vendor Specific Extensions

Companion Information Models

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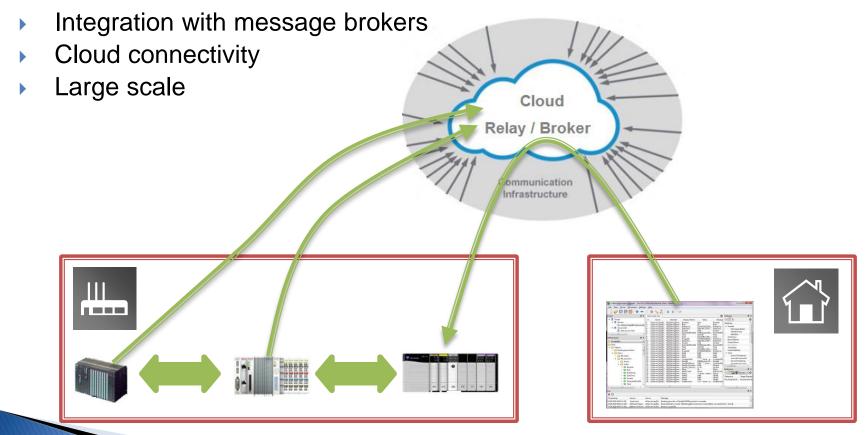
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New Use Cases

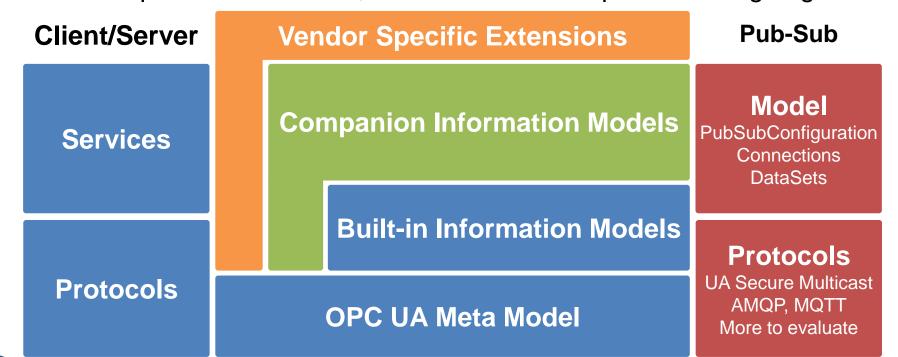
- Clients and Servers behind firewalls (Relay)
- Controller to controller communication





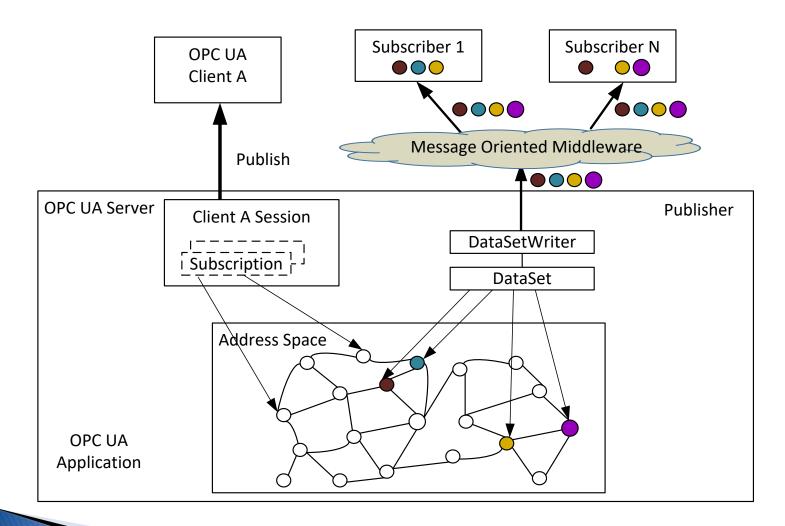
OPC UA Publish/Subscriber Communication Model

- Generic Pub-Sub Information Model
- Initial protocols selected, evaluation of other protocols ongoing



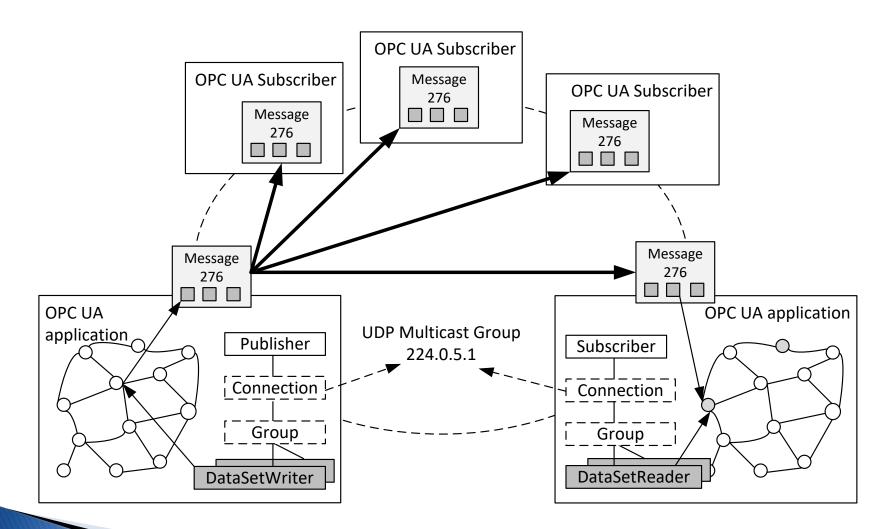


OPC UA Server and Publisher





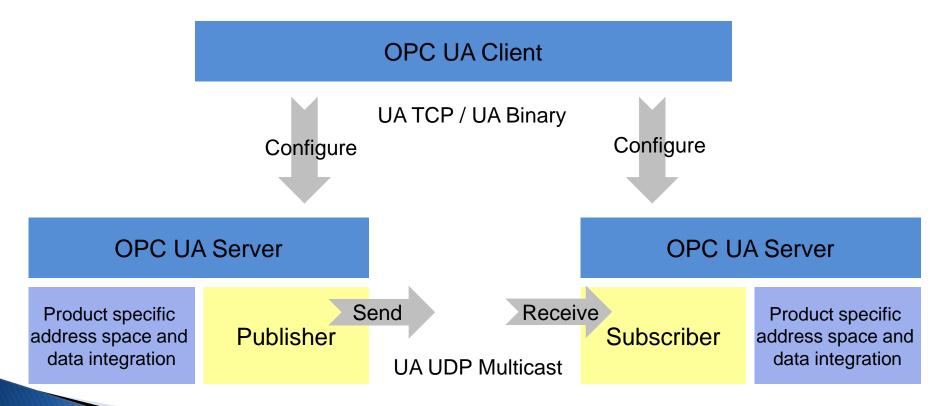
Pub-Sub with UDP Secure Multicast





Controller to Controller

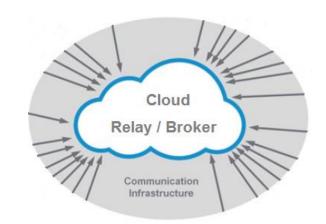
- Existing OPC UA Server can be extended
- Configuration through OPC UA Clients





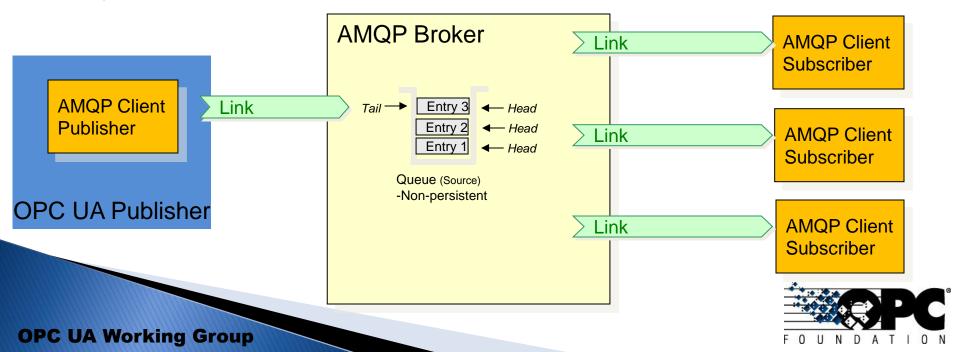
Pub-Sub with Broker

Supports connectivity between OPC UA applications that reside in different networks, or where data shall be published to Clients that reside "in the Cloud", as well as network topologies where relays, brokers, or event hubs enable the data transmission. It can connect any number of Servers with any number of Clients.



AMQP 1.0 chosen as the technology to use (also used by MS Azure and others)

Initial prototype will use JSON for topic communication and UA Binary for Queues.



Other features in work

- Relay protocol binding for Client/Server
 - Encoding: UA Binary
 - Message Security: UA Secure Conversation
 - Transport: AMQP
- New user token type based on OAuth 2.0
- Standard user authorization configuration for OPC UA Server address space
- Simplified and optimized meta data access for structure data types
- Extension to file transfer functionality



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OPC UA Security Working Group

- Sub Group of OPC UA Working Group
- Started end of 2014 as permanent WG
 - Dedicated group of security experts
 - Review results of OPC UA security reviews by organizations like NIST or BSI
 - Review OPC UA security research papers
 - Propose security related enhancements to UA WG
 - Documented BSI results available: <u>https://opcfoundation.org/security/</u>



PubSub Prototyping

- Sub-Group of UA WG
- Kick-off on June 8, 2015
- Over 80 WG members
- Wireshark available
- Second demo finished





Controller to Controller real-time?

- UDP Multicast provides
 - Thin and efficient protocol stack for message handling
 - Allows cyclic data exchange
 - Base for device side real-time handling
- Standard Ethernet is not real-time capable
- TSN (Time Sensitive Network) can solve this
 - IEEE 802 working group will be part of standard Ethernet
 - Time synchronization
 - Guaranteed bounded latency
 - Path redundancy for reliability
 - Low latency (cut-though and preemption)
 - Bandwith (Gb+)



TSN Evaluation

- Sub-Group of UA Working Group
- Kick-off on June 8, 2015
- Over 80 WG members
- TSN Evaluation
 - TSN is a standard real-time extension for Ethernet
 - Collection of use cases and requirements finished
 - Communication parameters and OPC UA requirements already defined and integrated in PubSub definition
 - Configuration model discussion started

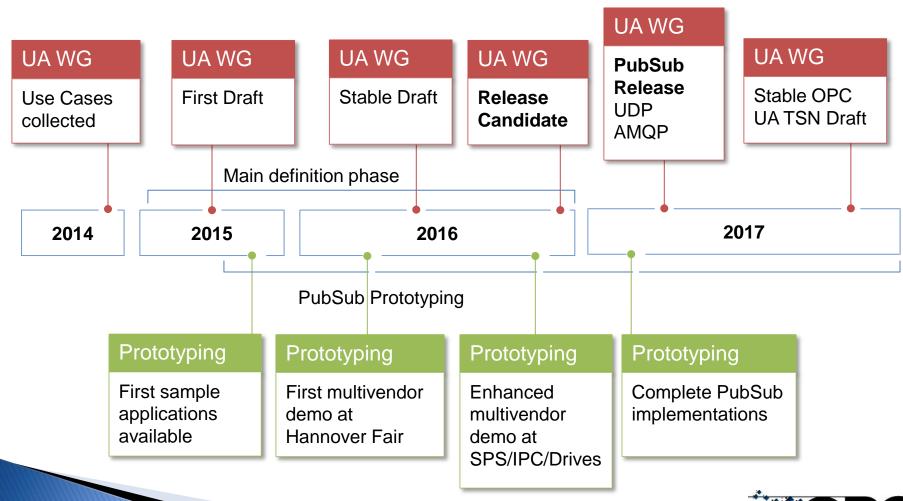


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OPC UA Pub-Sub



OPC UA – communication platform for information models (HOW)



Domain experts define information models (WHAT)



OPC Foundation extends communication with Pub-Sub



Information Models are not affected



OPC UA Applications just update SDKs and Stacks

