



Energy Efficiency in Smart Buildings through IoT Sensor Integration

Invited Talk

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Purpose and Objectives

- Buildings consume over 40% of the total energy consumption in the U.S. Over 90% of the buildings in the U.S. are either small-sized (<5,000 square feet) or medium-sized (between 5,000 sf and 50,000 sf). These buildings typically do not use Building Automation Systems (BAS) to monitor and control their building systems from a central location.
- WiseBldg platform facilitates energy efficiency applications in commercial buildings using a very simple and scalable building automation system (BAS).

An Open Architecture Platform for Building Energy Efficiency

WiseBldg is a Building Energy
Management Open Architecture Software
solution that is engineered to improve
sensing and control of <u>all</u> IoT-enabled
equipment in commercial buildings

Monitoring and control:

Three major loads in buildings

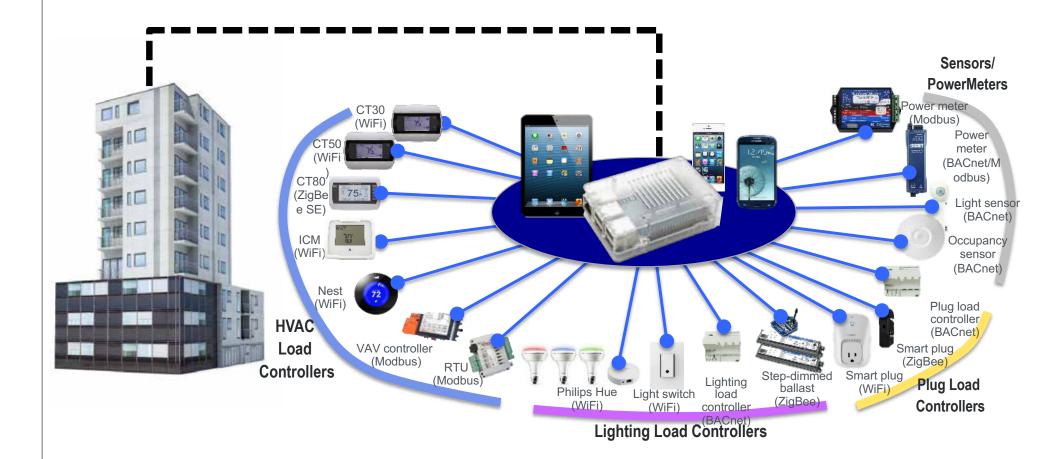
- Heating, Ventilation, AC
- Lighting loads
- Plug loads

Value:

Improves energy efficiency and facilitates peak load savings in buildings



WiseBldg supports multiple IoT devices through industry standard protocols and communications technologies





Multiple-protocol Interoperability

Communication Technologies

- ☐ Ethernet (IEEE 802.3)
- ☐ Serial Interface (RS-485)
- ☐ ZigBee (IEEE 802.15.4)
- WiFi (IEEE 802.11)

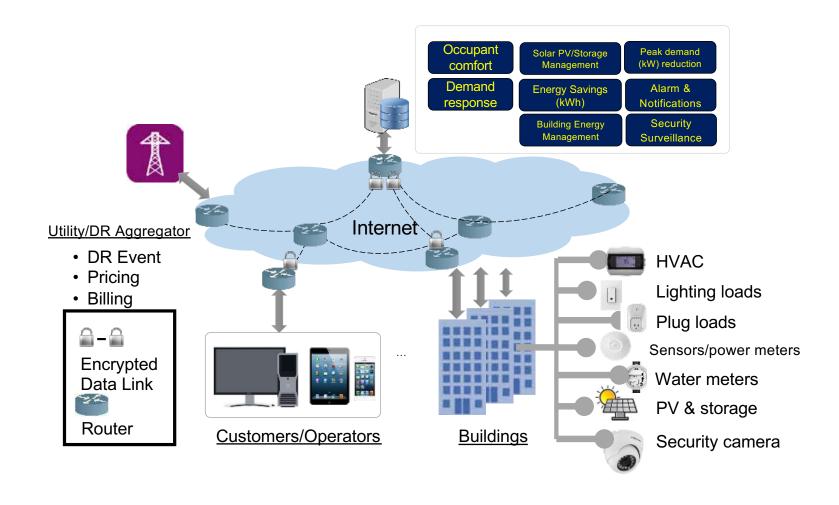


Data Exchange Protocols

- BACnet (IP and MS/TP)
- Modbus (RTU and TCP)
- ☐ Web (e.g., XML, JSON, RSS/Atom)
- ZigBee API
- ☐ Smart Energy (SE)
- OpenADR (Open Automated Demand Response)



WiseBldg Platform for Campus-wide Application



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Customers controlling buildings optimized for savings

Measured energy savings across deployments

20% HVAC Energy Savings

25% Lighting Energy Savings

Improved operations and maintenance: WiseBldg analytical platform enables operators to detect faults when devices operate outside standard thresholds enabling building operators to investigate prior to device failure.

Occupant satisfaction: spaces controlled by WiseBldg have been more comfortable due to more consistent temperature profiles and healthier air quality through consistent monitoring of environmental factors (CO2 levels, PM 2.5).





WiseBldg can make an old building smart



WiseBldg Deployments in Four Buildings



Building 1 – VT Classroom Building

Location: Alexandria, VA

Demonstration: HVAC, plug load control

Building 2 – Equipment Bureau Building

Location: Arlington, VA

Demonstration: Lighting control



Building 3 – VT Lab Building

Location: Blacksburg, VA

Demonstration: HVAC control

Building 4 – PG County Community Building

Location: Camp Springs, MD

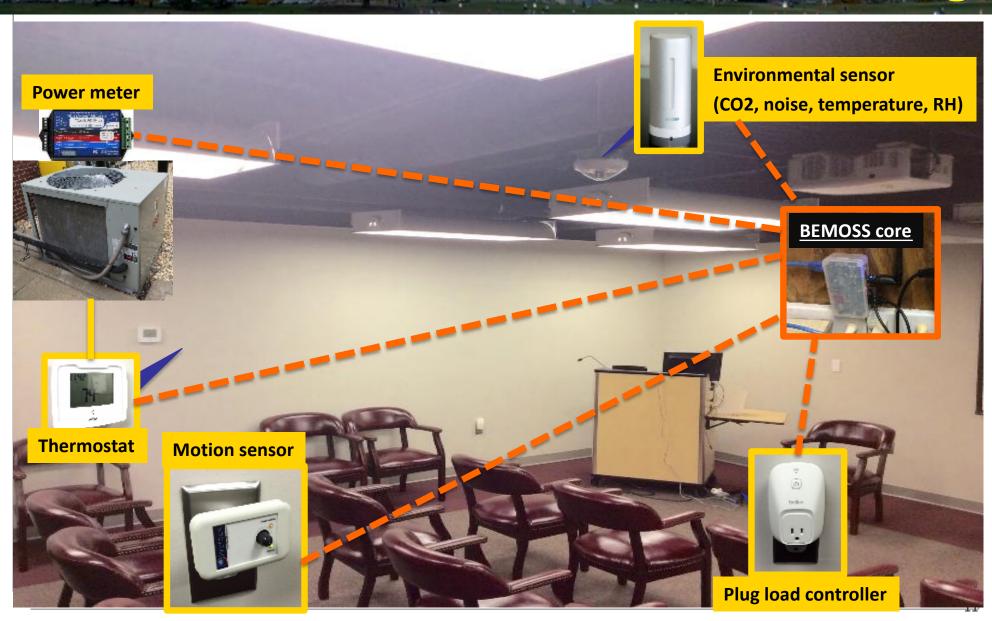
Demonstration: HVAC control



Building 1 – VT Building in Alexandria, VA



Classroom under Real-time Monitoring



Indoor Environmental Monitoring





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O Log Out

HOME

DISCOVER NEW DEVICES

O DISCOVER/MANAGE

■ NETWORK STATUS

△ ALARMS & NOTIFICATIONS ←

MANAGE USERS

& MISC SETTINGS

Bemoss Core: Weather_Sensor21

TEMPERATURE

71.4°F

22.0 %

PRESSURE

30.65 Pa

CO2

484.0 ppm

NOISE

HUMIDITY

47.0 db

ECORDED

Outdoor Environment Status

TEMPERATURE

74.3°F

MAXIMUM RECORDED TEMPERATURE

74.3°F

Date Recorded: Wed, 15 Jun 2016

HUMIDITY

49.0 %

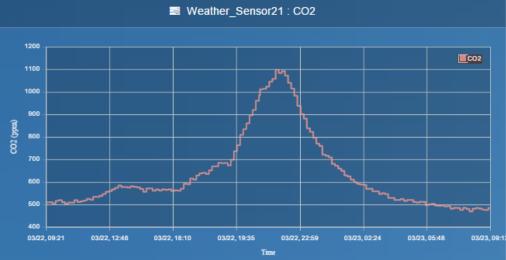
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Energy and Peak Savings from HVAC Control

Location: Alexandria, VA Area: 25,000 square feet Deployed Devices

- 6 Thermostats
- 6 Power meters
- 1 Li-ion battery
- 1 Environmental sensor

Using WiseBldg, Building Operator saved 27% on HVAC consumption alone

Summer Months (June-July-August)

Compressor consumption 2014 (Before WiseBldg)	8,340 kWh
Compressor consumption 2016 (After WiseBldg)	6,071 kWh
Average savings	26.8% savings



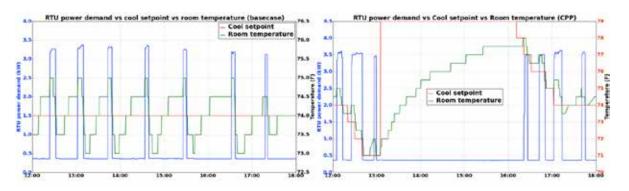






Temperature profile BEFORE WiseBldg Demand Reduction

Temperature profile AFTER WiseBldg Demand Reduction



Base case (w/o WiseBldg)

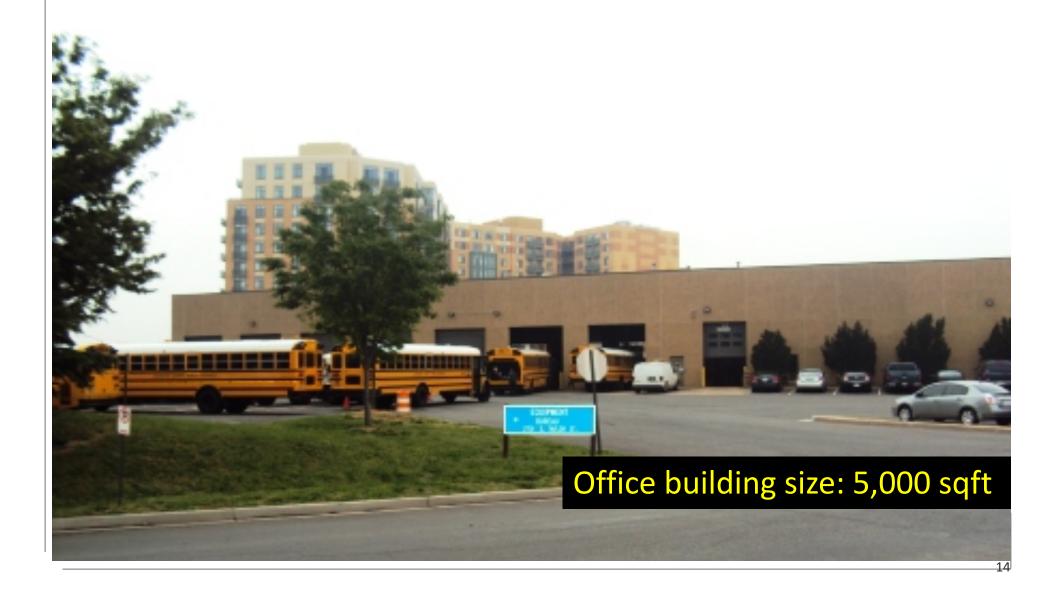
- Setpoint: 74 deg F
- Energy usage = 2.72kWh
- Max demand = 3.98kW

Managed by WiseBldg

- Setpoint: 77 deg F
- Energy usage = 1.42kWh
- Max demand = 0.5kW



Office Building, Arlington, Virginia



Energy Savings from Lighting Control

Location: Arlington, VA

Area: 5,000 sq ft

Deployed Devices

• 3 Lighting controllers

• 1 Power meter







An average energy savings of 35% was achieved through dimming control

Oct 2016	Nov 2016	Dec 2016	Jan 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2017	Apr 2017	May 2017	Jun 2017	AVERAGE
33.7%	33.9%	34.4%	33.4%	35.9%	36.2%	35.0%	36.0%	36.3%	34.5%



Energy Savings by controlling light intensity

Month	Total Measured Energy Consumption (kWh)	Total Calculated Energy Consumption without Dimming (kWh)	Energy Savings by Dimming (%)
October 2016	264.37	399.90	33.89%
November 2016	278.13	423.78	34.37%
December 2016	280.76	426.40	34.16%
Total (October- December)	823.26	1250.08	34.14%

Note: Scheduled dimming level from 6:30am to 9:00pm. Open office area A: 50%; Open office area B: 45%; Chief office's desk area: 60%; Chief office's meeting area: 50%; Conference room A: 50%; Conference room B: 45%. Lights are off after 9:00pm.

Solar PV System Monitoring and Control



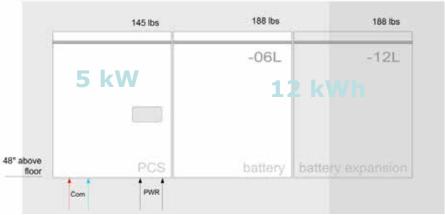
WiseBldg User Interface





Managing Battery Storage from WiseBldg Platform







Battery Storage Data Access from WiseBldg



Battery Storage Monitoring & Control







Thank you

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