A Study for Advanced Visualization of Sensing Data & Meta Data based WSN

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Abstract: As the 5G environment is established due to the development of network and information and network technologies, wireless sensor network is drawing attention as a technology that will lead the information technology industry in the future. The sensor-based service must collect and process data recognized from various sensors and deliver information to users to understand. However, there is no research to visually express information about sensor resources to make it easier for users to understand. Therefore, this research proposes an efficient visualization model that is both realistic and economical. Then, we designed a scenario applied to real life and built a webpage.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, with the development of sensor technology, the human-centered information society is rapidly transforming into a ubiquitous computing society in which information can be organically combined and utilized between objects beyond humans and computers. This is due to the view that sensor-based information is simply one of the technological changes in the IT sector. Based on the recognition of these issues and its importance, this paper presents the direction of the IT strategy for realizing a ubiquitous society[1]. In addition, we pointed out the environment of disaster management, logistics distribution, health welfare, agricultural, livestock, and fisheries and analyzed and presented how users' questions in each field will be composed based on this. In addition, ubiquitous technologies and application models that can be applied to innovate the above fields to be appropriate for a ubiquitous society were examined, and the sensor-based information was classified into sensing data and metadata. Finally, for efficient expression for users, visual components were analyzed and a webpage was implemented based on them[2]. In this paper, we also built a webpage to research realistic and economical sensing service models and to efficiently provide users with the sensor-based information via the web in stages. Since the proposed content for the implementation plan’s sensor-based webpage design includes various technical, institutional, and industrial considerations, various considerations that can appear in the real world have been fully utilized[3].

II. RELATED WORKS

2.1. BcN (Broadband Convergence Network)

A broadband convergence network is a next-generation telement network that can provide various services integrated with voice and data by simplifying different networks such as PSTN, the Internet, ATM, private networks, and wireless networks into one common network[4]. The BcN is a network of concepts that combine wire and wireless, comprised of the entire network networks, from the subscriber terminal to the exchanger, in a packet-like system. High-quality services such as voice, data, and video can be provided to users in real time through integration infrastructure of wire-wireless anytime and anywhere[5]. The current network networks are separated from the Internet and wireless Internet, so even if it uses remote control services, it has different access depending on the device. However, in the BcN environment, wire/wireless is freely used at the convenience of users, allowing seamless network with high speed and broadband. In terms of service, all services such as voice, video, multimedia, and all forms of data services can be provided[6]. In other words, the BcN-integrated network aims for convergence in the case of network technology and provides services in a ubiquitous environment that can be serviced anytime, anywhere, and in any way[7].

![Fig. 1. BcN Structure Diagram](image)

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The service layer produces and manages various services and is composed of a server that performs roles such as application service creation, service control, and management with a network management system such as OSS/BSS, Open API platform, soft switch, etc[8]. The transport network layer, which exchanges and transmits information, consists of exchangers such as routers, ATMs, gateways, and large-capacity transmission equipment such as optical transmission equipment such as WDM, OXC, SDH. The subscriber network and home terminal layer, which support the subscriber’s wired and wireless access processing, consists of various types of subscriber connections such as wire (xDSL, Ethernet, FTTx), wireless (mobile network, portable Internet, WLAN), broadcasting (HFC, DMB), home network (G/W), u-sensor network (UWB, smart tag), and integrated access terminal (Access Mediator) [9].

### 2.2 RFID (Radio Frequency Identification)

RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) is a technology system that inputs various types of identification information into micro-semiconductors, attaches them to goods, animals, and people, and collects and manages information through radio frequency[10]. RFID basically consists of a tag that stores various types of identification information in, a reader that can recognize the information stored in the RFID tag, and a data processing system that processes the information collected by the RFID reader. Using RFID, it is always possible to locate and process related information in real time, as well as to locate specific individuals or objects[11]. RFID is the core of the implementation of the ubiquitous environment and will greatly contribute to the development of related industries in the future. An RFID reader is a device that sends and receives tag information and transmits information collected from the tag to the network[12]. Currently, RFID readers have a characteristic that the range of application is limited because the recognition distance and recognition accuracy are affected by the antenna performance and the surrounding environment[13]. In the future, a reader that operates in various frequency bands such as 13.56MHz, 900MHz, and 433MHz and a reader that recognizes multiple codes such as EPC Code and ISO 18000 series codes are required. Therefore, it is expected that multi-band/multi-code readers and readers that can be interworked on various mobile devices will emerge[14].

![Fig. 2. EPC network Architecture](image)

Fig. 2 is the structure of an EPC network for the application and management of standardized data using RFID. The biggest feature that distinguishes the RFID is based on past user recognition and the RFID currently under consideration is the existence of middleware and network interworking capabilities. For example, if you look at a company's network that uses RFID as an ID card, the recognized tag information is used only within the company for time and attendance management and access control, and it cannot be accessed from external networks[15]. And your ID card can only be recognized by the company you belong to and cannot be recognized by other companies' readers because the code systems are different. However, RFID information for future informatization of objects is given a global code that can be used anywhere in the world, and each code can be utilized in various applications through the Internet[16].

Middleware technology and network interworking technology are required for these functions, and various concepts are currently being introduced. RFID middleware is currently a conceptual technology, and its main concept presented by the MIT Auto-ID Center. EPC Global introduced concepts such as ONS (Object Naming Service) and ALE (Application Level Events) middleware. ONS uses the code embedded in RFID to find related information using the same concept as the IP address on the Internet, and various RFID services are provided through ALE middleware and EPC IS (Information Service)[17].

### III. SENSING SERVICE TYPE

In this chapter, we analyze and compare several characteristics related to the configuration of the sensor-based key application services to predict use cases and propose an expected scenario to efficiently communicate information for each case to users. The sensor's main application service can be reconfigured into the main utilization service that provides convenience to users. In the case of administrative services, depending on the detailed service, it can be related to both the automation-safety classification and the life-culture classification of the sensor application service[18]. Looking at the possible application service scenarios for each sensor application service classification, it is divided into facility-transportation, distribution-logistics, environment, automation-safety, and life-culture[19].

#### 3.1 Public Administration Field

Public administration refers to the next generation of public administration services that seek to improve the quality of life of citizens and efficient operation of the city by providing and monitoring information on facility management, establishing and operating systems, etc[20].

The information center consists of a public information control room and a security control room operated by the police. In the public information situation room, you can check the traffic conditions across the city at a glance, identify areas with a lot of traffic and the detour route, and provide the information to residents in real time through u-placards attached to each area[21].
The situation room, which provides security services, is operated by the police and is integrated with the police situation room at the same time, and the CCTV (Closed-Circuit Television) in the city center is directly connected. In case of an emergency, one can press the emergency bell attached to the CCTV to capture the scene from the situation room and make a call[22]. In case of emergency situations such as fires or crime, the situation is automatically broadcast to various channels such as landline calls and cell phone messages, interlinked with the central GIS (geographic information system). And when a citizen who feels threatened presses an emergency bell installed in the city, the CCTVs installed in the vicinity automatically display the scenes to track the suspect's expected escape route, transmitting all situations to the police and at the same time. The ongoing service will be expanded to the media board, u-placard, u-parking, bus information system, unmanned vehicle stops control, vehicle number recognition, and external traffic information collection services after completing the first stage of the three-stage service[23].

3.2 Economic Industry Field

In the economic industry, the efficiency of various industries is maximized and convenient services are provided to users by optimizing equipment operation for facilities, establishing a logistics information system and an automated system for warehousing and reporting cargo. Workers in various industries may comprehensively identify the location of their facilities and optimize the operation of equipment to perform efficient tasks. In addition, the visibility of logistics can be secured by obtaining mobile information of various logistics in air, sea, and land, and information is provided in real time by the automation of receiving and shipping operations. The air cargo RFID infrastructure installs RFID readers at the export cargo terminal to check whether the export air cargo is received and whether airplanes are loaded and establishes the air logistics information system to manage it. Through this, delivery companies and consignors receive logistics movement information about their air cargo from the air information system to efficiently handle logistics management[24].

The RFID-based logistics information system installs RFID readers at major land logistics bases and highway toll gates and establishes the information system to manage them. When the information system is established, it can recognize the RFID tag of cargo vehicles and provide logistics information such as the location and time of passage to consignors and delivery companies, and it can be used for the automation of vehicle loading and unloading. The application base can be readjusted in the direction of optimizing the logistics flow through the ISP, and the highway toll gates are also judged as to whether it is applicable through technical review[25].

The RFID-based export and import custom clearance system attaches RFID tags to the import air cargo for the receiving and automation of the clarification work, and it establishes readers and the information system to manage them. Through this, import air cargo custom clearance is replaced with RFID tag recognition, and cargo mobile information is provided to consignors and delivery companies.

IV. DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WEB SERVICE

In this study, the overall main applied services and actual web service were established to express visual components of the USN based sensing and meta-data. Table 1 shows these types of meta-data. The meta-data includes the USIS (Ubiquitous Sensor Information System) being able to efficiently manage the USN meta-information resources, such as the purpose of sensor use, owner agency, date of sensor installed, location of sensor etc. It does so by collecting, saving, distributing and searching the meta-information resources of the sensor, the USIS then delivers the required meta-information to a service subscriber, while giving data such as location of sensor and sensor name to a manager. The E-R diagram of the UDS metadata consists of a table of sensors network, sensor node, sensor node H/W specification, transducer, transducer H/W specification, and sensing type specification, and the relationship diagram and detailed definition between each table is covered in the next section[26].

![Fig. 3. Relation Diagram of Metadata Table](image-url)

Fig. 3 shows the E-R diagram of each metadata table. One sensor network in a sensor has 0–n sensor nodes, and one sensor node in the sensor network has 0–n transducers. In addition, the sensor node has a 0 or 1 sensor node hardware specification, and the transducer has a 0 or 1 transducer H/W specification and sensing type specification[27].
Table relationship between sensor network and sensor node
One of the sensor networks in a sensor has 0-n sensor nodes.

Fig. 4. Table Relationship Diagram of Sensor Network and Sensor Node

Table relationship between sensor node and transducer
One of the sensor networks in a sensor has 0-n transducers.

Fig. 5. Table Relationship Diagram of Sensor Node and transducer

Table relationship between sensor node H/W specification
The sensor node has a 0 or 1 sensor node hardware specification.

Fig. 6. Table Relationship Diagram of Sensor Node and Sensor Node HWSpec

Table relationship between transducer and transducer H/W specification
The transducer has a 0 or 1 transducer H/W specification.

Fig. 7. Table Relationship Diagram of Transducer and Sensor Node HWSpec
V. CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

The research proposed a visual component to effectively express resource information in the sensor web interface that users will encounter in the sensor environment.

Web interface design should provide high quality service to users for their convenience and ease. To meet this ultimate purpose, the interface must exist between users and the many sensors. In addition, the sensor interface should express the information users want in the most efficient way.

First of all, the sensor data is largely divided into sensing data that exchanges sensing information such as temperature, humidity, illuminance, gas, smoke, and fire and metadata for sending and receiving information such as sensor network ID, sensor node ID, and wattage of the sensor nodes. In addition, questions of users are analyzed and classified into several categories to efficiently provide such vast data of sensory components. The visual components largely include texts, images, icons, and graphs, and the advantages and disadvantages of each were examined. We also implemented a web page interface for efficient responses to users’ questions by appropriately combining visual components.

The present state of technology related to sensor service, step-by-step service diffusion strategy, and application plan of visualization design that can appear in sensor application fields should be studied in future research, which can be presented based on these research results.

In addition, in a number of sensor application fields, a method of application to the interface of all devices including the physical network channel between the web and the outside of a specific device and information devices such as mobile network terminals should be studied.

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