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Thing Description
Breakout Summary

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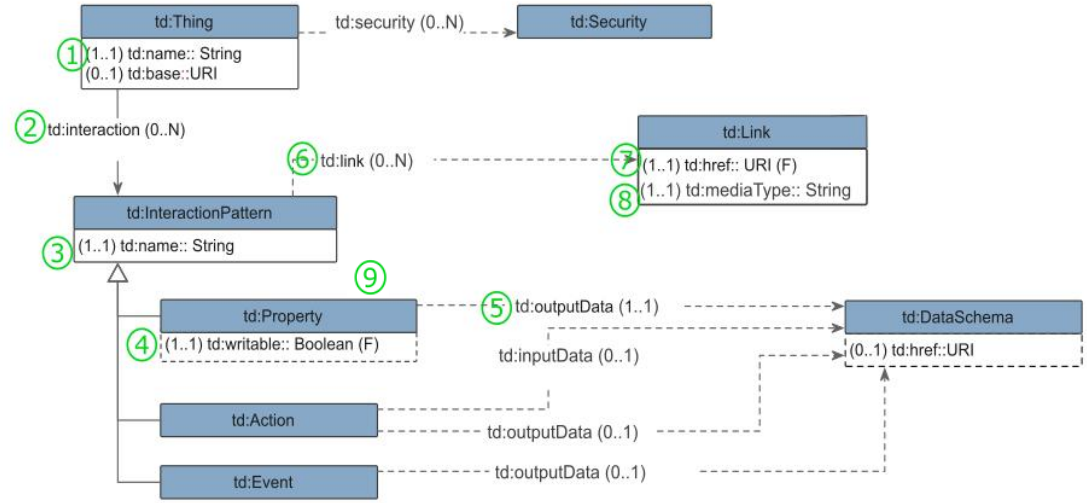
Set this TD Model as Baseline

TD Model



Sample instances in different formats

```
{
 "@context": ["http://w3c.github.io/wot/w3c-wot-td-context.jsonld"],
 "@type": "Thing",
 "name": "MyTemperatureThing",
 "interaction": [
  {
   "@type": ["Property"],
   "name": "temperature",
   "writable": false,
   "outputData": { "type": "number" },
   "link": [{
    "href" : "coap://mytemp.example.com:5683/temp",
    "mediaType": "application/json"
   }]
  }
 ]
}
```

JSON-LD

```
{
 "name": "MyTemperatureThing",
 "property": [
  {
   "name": "temperature",
   "writable": false,
   "outputData": { "type": "number" },
   "link": [{
    "href" : "coap://mytemp.example.com:5683/temp",
    "mediaType": "application/json"
   }]
  }
 ]
}
```

JSON

TD Lifecycle

- Introducing operations such as @remove to modify TDs over lifetime

- Start collaboration with JSON-LD team to introduce this operations in specification

Missing Thing in JSON Schema

```
{
            ...
    "os": {"type": "string"},
    "fv": {"type": "string"},
    "sr": {"type": "number"},
    "cvc": {"type": "number"},
    "cvf": {"type": "number"}
            ...
}
```

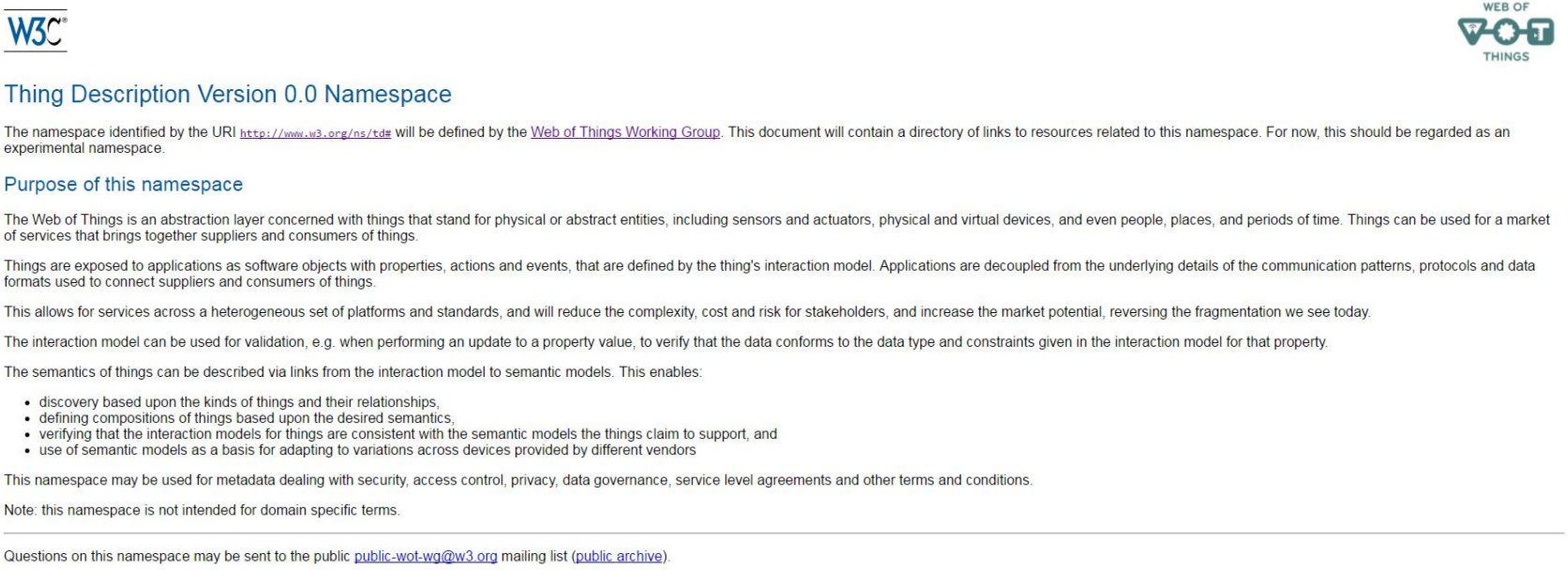


```
{
    "os": {"type": "string", "@type": "http://example.com/isOnlineSince"},
    "fv": {"type": "string", "@type": "http://example.com/versionOfFirmware"},
    "sr": {"type": "number", "@type": "http://example.com/sampleRate" },
    "cvc": {"type": "number", "@type": "http://example.com/celsiusTemperatureValue"},
    "cvf": {"type": "number", "@type": "http://example.com/fahrenheitTemperatureValue"}
}
```

What we need

- keep collaboration with JSON Schema team
- reuse JSON-LD keys such @context and @type (as array?)
- welcome Dave and Yongjing for discussing alternative proposals

TD Namespace



Thing Description Version 0.0 Namespace

The namespace identified by the URI http://www.w3.org/ns/td# will be defined by the Web of Things Working Group. This document will contain a directory of links to resources related to this namespace. For now, this should be regarded as an experimental namespace.

Purpose of this namespace

The Web of Things is an abstraction layer concerned with things that stand for physical or abstract entities, including sensors and actuators, physical and virtual devices, and even people, places, and periods of time. Things can be used for a market of services that brings together suppliers and consumers of things.

Things are exposed to applications as software objects with properties, actions and events, that are defined by the thing's interaction model. Applications are decoupled from the underlying details of the communication patterns, protocols and data formats used to connect suppliers and consumers of things.

This allows for services across a heterogeneous set of platforms and standards, and will reduce the complexity, cost and risk for stakeholders, and increase the market potential, reversing the fragmentation we see today.

The interaction model can be used for validation, e.g. when performing an update to a property value, to verify that the data conforms to the data type and constraints given in the interaction model for that property.

The semantics of things can be described via links from the interaction model to semantic models. This enables:

- discovery based upon the kinds of things and their relationships,
- defining compositions of things based upon the desired semantics,
- verifying that the interaction models for things are consistent with the semantic models the things claim to support, and
- use of semantic models as a basis for adapting to variations across devices provided by different vendors

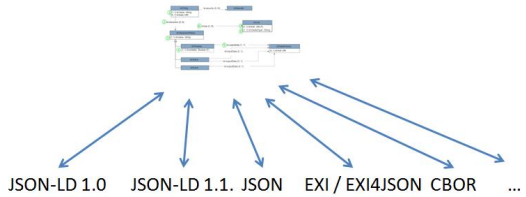
This namespace may be used for metadata dealing with security, access control, privacy, data governance, service level agreements and other terms and conditions.

Note: this namespace is not intended for domain specific terms.

Questions on this namespace may be sent to the public public-wot-wg@w3.org mailing list (public archive).

- currently, a generic https://www.w3.org/ns/td is reserved
- Problem: E.g., TD 1.0 version will be released in 2018 and an updated TD 2.0 version in 2023. How we make the differentiation by using this generic namespace?
- group prefers to have a date in the namespace
- Postpone decision when it comes to recommendation

TD Serialization



- Separation between text-based and binary representation
- Maybe we should select one default text-based and one default binary representation
- Not in scope: do not invent another serialization format
- Evaluation of binary versions (so far EXI4JSON and CBOR):
  - Collect TDs from PlugFest
  - evaluate message size and complexity (library size, processing time, …)
- How to evaluate text-based representation? What are the criterions?
- Daniel Peintner and Carsten Bormann are volunteering this topic