

Monitoring of Bluetooth Low Energy Devices

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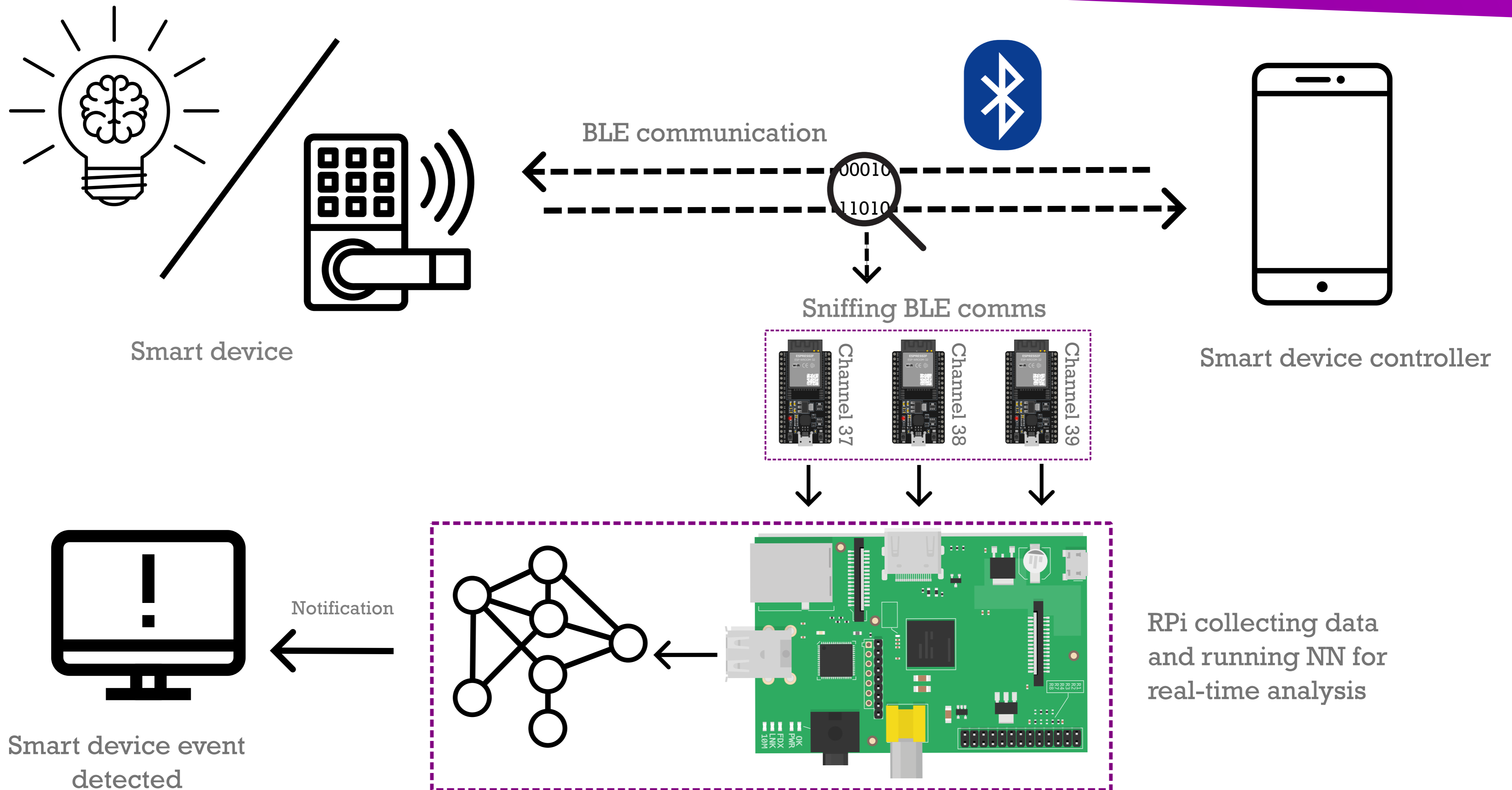


Figure 1: project pipeline

Detection Method

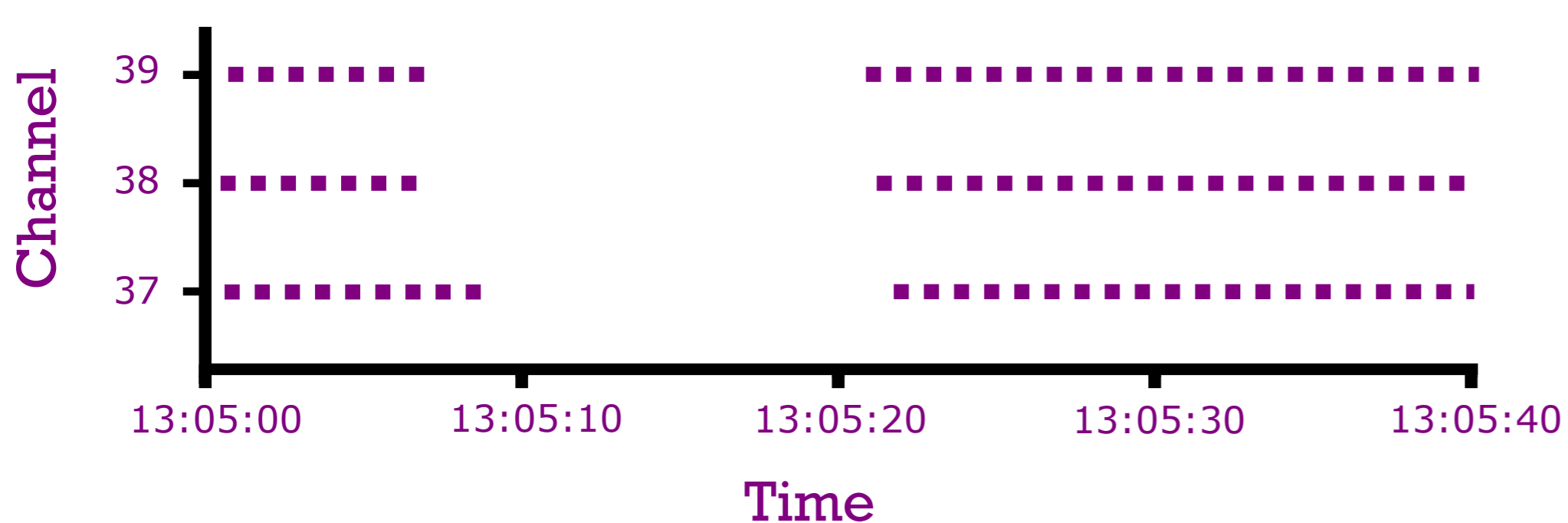


Figure 2: Intermittent pattern

- Devices advertise periodically on channels 37, 38, 39 when unconnected.
- Intermittent Pattern: Advertising stops during active connections (See Fig 2).
- Detection: Identify connections passively via large gaps in ad timings.
- Works best for devices showing clear intermittent patterns

Uses 3 ESP32s for parallel sniffing (one per advertising channel).

Machine Learning

Goal: Apply Machine Learning to improve passive BLE connection detection accuracy.

Motivation: Address limitations of prior methods (statistical/simple ML) in generalizing across devices.

Focus: Enhance generalization - create a model that works reliably for various device types.

Aim: Develop a more robust and practical monitoring solution using advertising data patterns.

Solution

Technique: Employed a Multilayer Perceptron (MLP) neural network for classification.

Input: Fed the MLP a sequence of recent advertising time deltas. Input sequence provides better context to help identify true connection gaps.

Output: Model predicts binary state: Connection (1) or No Connection (0).

Exploration: Also experimented with 1D ConvNet architectures

Results

(F1/P/R): 0.88 / 0.87 / 0.89