Cloud-Enabled Edge Gateways for Industrial IoT

Powering Edge Intelligence with Advantech WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink

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Transmit Data to the Cloud and Enable Edge Intelligence with WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink

With the emergence of industrial IoT, companies are seeking solutions that facilitate the use of data analytics to improve service levels, create superior products, and reduce operating costs. The first step in this process is the digitalization of all assets, which means increasing amounts of data collected from different equipment must be analyzed. Equipment manufacturers, owners, and maintenance personnel require an easy and reliable method for collecting data from field-based equipment. Advantech’s WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink provides a data acquisition solution that does not require frequent on-site maintenance and service trips. With this solution, users can monitor critical assets, track equipment performance, receive alarm notifications, and perform system management and configuration using handheld devices. This will substantially reduce costs and ensure field equipment and facilities are better monitored and controlled.

Advantages of WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink

- **Optimizing Efficiency with Connected Equipment**
  For industrial boilers, air compressors, chillers, power distribution cabinets, and other equipment, WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink serves as a hub for data acquisition, storage, and reports, as well as alarm notifications, maximizing equipment efficiency with the provision of accurate data.

- **Plug-and-Play Cloud Access for Rapid Deployment**
  Plug-and-play functionality for data transmissions to the cloud eliminates complex programming and configuration. This ensures data can be easily uploaded for analysis and visualization to provide a useful reference for operational optimization.

- **Secure Data Conversion for Integrating Data with Third-Party Systems**
  WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink supports data conversion, enabling equipment used for mass production, such as PLCs, sensors, and inverters, to be directly integrated with SCADA, MESs, and ERP systems for convenient operation and maintenance.

Factory Environment
- Facility energy management
- Wastewater discharge
- Continuous emissions monitoring systems
- Volatile organic compounds monitoring
- Industrial park energy management

Machine-to-Intelligence
- Leasing equipment management
- Overall equipment efficiency
- Pump status monitoring
- Flow pressure monitoring
- HVAC system operating status analysis
Wireless Intelligent RTU

Industrial Communication Gateway

WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink

Urban Construction
- Air quality monitoring
- Flood control systems
- Levee monitoring
- Wastewater systems
- Hazardous materials control

Renewable Energy
- Solar power management
- Wind power management
- Geothermal energy management
- Weather station monitoring
- Power generation efficiency monitoring
Transmitting IoT Data from the Edge to the Cloud

Before data is ready for analysis, it must be preprocessed and transmitted to a server or the cloud using specific protocols. Advantech’s WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink solutions are designed to convert and process acquired data without complex and time-consuming programming. The WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink Studio software provides an efficient interface that allows users to preprocess data with just a few clicks of the mouse. After configuration, data can be downloaded to hardware equipped with WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink Runtime. This software enables users to easily obtain and transmit equipment data to the cloud and third-party systems.

**WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink Architecture**

Advantech’s WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink is equipped with key functionalities aimed at edge applications. With downlink data acquisition capabilities integrated with uplink connectivity, security, and intelligence functions, transmitting field data to the cloud becomes an easy task.
WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink Benefits Data Management

**Data Acquisition**
- I/O drivers
- WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink Benefits Data Management
- User tags
- System tags

**Connectivity**
- Open VPN
- Active connection to WebAccess
- Store and forward
- Protocol support
  - MQTT/FTP/ODBC/AMQP
  - ODBC/RESTful

**Security**
- Project encryption
- Whitelisting
- SSL encryption
- Data authority management

**Intelligence**
- Event hub for SMS/email alerts
- SoftLogic runtime
- Data pretreatment

- Event log
- Data log
- Tag quality

**WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink Components**

**Edgelink Studio** (for Windows)
- Project configuration
- Online device monitoring
- Device communication setup
- Data forwarding settings
- System settings

**Edgelink Runtime** (for Linux and Windows)
- Connect end devices to network
- Data acquisition and transmission
- Supports 200+ device drivers
- Real-time/historical data log
- Connectivity to the cloud and third-party systems

Download projects to the platform via a network

Configuration files
Application Scenario

Connecting Machines and Equipment to the Cloud

Requirements

Digitalizing factory equipment is the first step to realizing Industry 4.0. Because this transformation affects all aspects of assembly, machining, rolling workshops, and production line processes, a wide variety of equipment and machines are involved and diverse protocols and communication ports are required.

For this MES transformation project, the equipment was geographically dispersed and located in environments with limited space for installation. To allow the customer to connect PLCs to their MES for data transmissions to a host computer via Wi-Fi, a compact, distributed, wireless, multi-protocol gateway solution was required. Moreover, the environmental space limitations necessitated a compact wireless device for data acquisition.

Features

- Supports uplinking with ODBC
- Provides data time stamping and event logging
- Supports downlinking to PLCs using various protocols
- Wi-Fi and network diagnostics capabilities

Benefits

- Provides easy access to MESs via ODBC
- Data tagging ensures readability and comprehension
- Cost-effective system integration solutions
- Enables convenient tracking of historical data
### Requirements

Wireless connectivity is required for monitoring a water pump station to enable reliable data transmissions to a surveillance center. The use of PLCs for monitoring and controlling pump stations is expensive and necessitates complex system integration procedures. Accordingly, many customers prefer to use all-in-one devices for data collection and transmission, as well as system monitoring and alarm reporting.

### Application Scenario

**Monitoring System for Waste Water Treatment and Reclamation Infrastructure**

#### Features

- Supports uplinking with DNP3 and Modbus protocols
- Supports downlinking to various PLC or meter protocols
- Multiple I/O interfaces
- Provides alarm notifications and reports
- Data storage and forwarding ensures completeness and accuracy
- EdgeLink data is directly mapped to SCADA (WebAccess)

#### Benefits

- Eliminates programming for increased efficiency
- Cost-effective solution for site-wide monitoring
- Uses a single integrated platform for data acquisition, communication, and transmission
Requirements
Data collection is a crucial aspect of modern manufacturing because it helps companies monitor and control costs and ensures smooth operations. However, data collected from legacy equipment and new machines can be difficult to integrate because of the different interfaces and communication protocols used. Advantech’s WISE-710 protocol converter provides the ideal solution for collecting data from PLC-controlled equipment and performing protocol conversions that enable the data to be used for machine intelligence.

Features
- Modular design for flexible configuration and customization
- Supports multiple PLC protocols for data conversion
- Compact size ensures easy installation

Benefits
- Can be integrated with expansion modules to support multiple applications
- Offers enhanced cyber security with an embedded security chip
- Reduces development time with EdgeLink software
### Requirements

Sensing gateways act as a bridge between sensors/devices and the cloud. For industrial manufacturing applications, gateways are required to provide multiple I/O for data collection, enable remote monitoring, minimize wiring, and be able to withstand operation in harsh industrial environments. Advantech’s rugged UNO-420 edge sensing gateway supports a wide operating temperature range and uses a single Ethernet cable for both power sourcing and data transmissions, making it suitable for data gateway applications in many industries.

### Features

- Programmable GPIO and selectable COM for flexible functionality
- Supports dual wireless communication via Wi-Fi, 3G, 4G, and GPS
- Wide operating temperature range (-20 ~ 60 °C/-40 ~ 140 °F)

### Benefits

- Easy installation with a combined power and data cable
- PoE functionality offers considerable cost savings
- Compact, fanless design with multiple I/O for connecting various data acquisition devices
## WISE-PaaS/EdgeLink Function List For Supported Platform

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## Hardware Specifications

### CPU
- **ESRP-PCS-ECU1251**: TI Cortex A8, 800MHz
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO1372**: Intel® Celeron J1900, 2.0GHz processor
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2271**: Intel® Atom™ E3825, 1.33GHz Processor
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2484**: Intel® Core™ i5-7300U, 2.6GHz Processor
- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: CPU Freescale i.MX 6 Dual Lite A9

### RAM
- **ESRP-PCS-ECU1251**: DDR3L 256 MB
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO1372**: DDR3L 256 MB
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2271**: DDR3L 512 MB
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2484**: DDR3L 4GB
- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: DDR4 8GB

### On-Board IO
- **ESRP-PCS-ECU1251**: 4AI/4DI/4DO
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO1372**: 4AI/4DI/4DO
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2271**: 4AI/4DI/4DO
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2484**: 4AI/4DI/4DO
- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: 4AI/4DI/4DO

### Slot
- **ESRP-PCS-ECU1251**: 4 Expansion Slots
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO1372**: 1 Micro SD slot
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2271**: 1x Micro SD slot
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2484**: 1x Micro SD slot
- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: 1x Full-size

### Wireless Communication
- **ESRP-PCS-ECU1251**: Zigbee/WiFi/Cellular/NB-IOT
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- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: WiFi/3G/4G/NB-IoT

### SIM Card Slot
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- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: Single SIM card slot

### LAN
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- **ESRP-CSS-UNO1372**: 2
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2271**: 2
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2484**: 4
- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: 2

### COM
- **ESRP-PCS-ECU1251**: 2
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO1372**: 2
- **ESRP-CSS-UNO2271**: 4
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- **ESRP-PCS-WISE710**: 4

### USB
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### OS Version
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