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Medical Internet of Things (mIoT); 2020 and Beyond.

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Outlines :

1- What is mIoT.

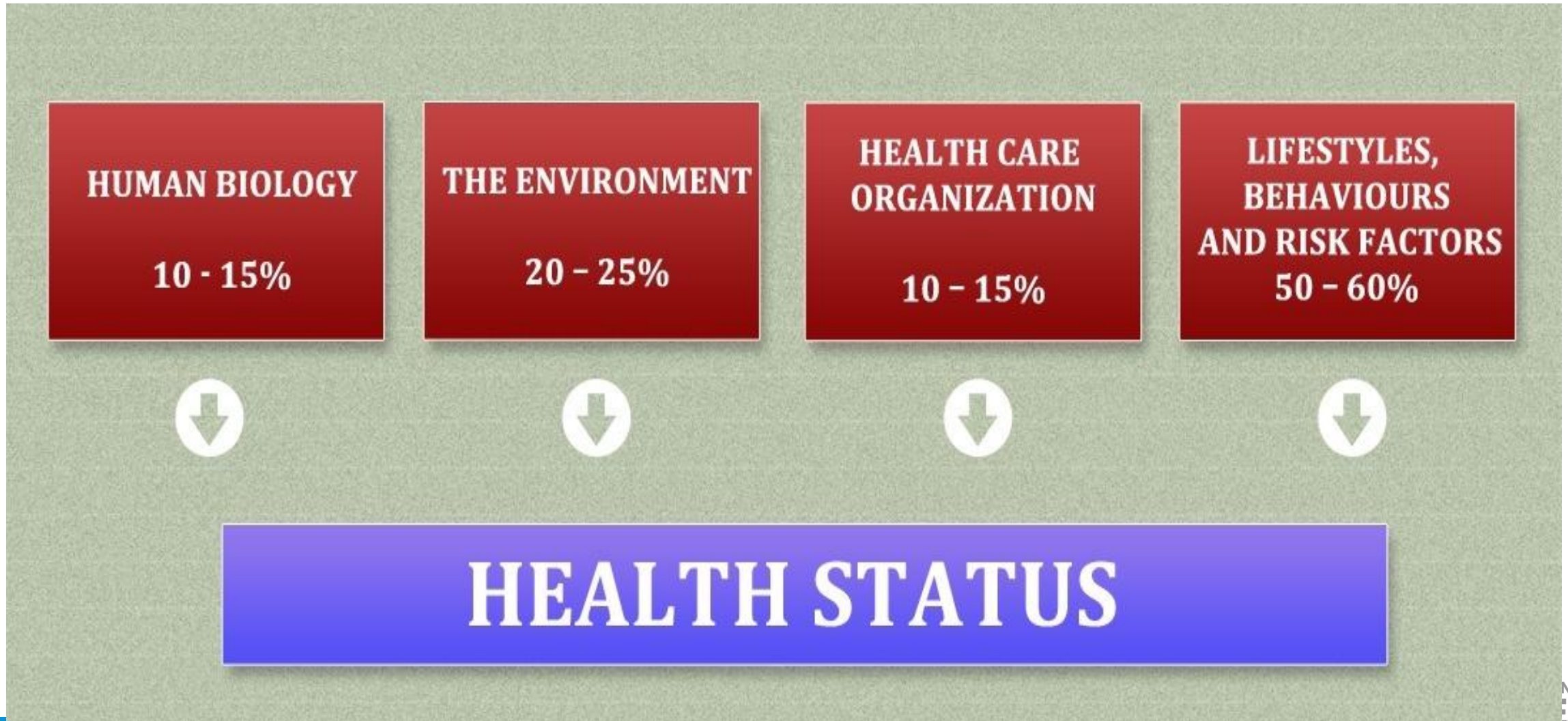
2- Values & Applications.

3- Obstacles.

4- Future prospects.

What is mIoT

- Convergence between ICT & Medicine lead to booming of digital medicine, telemedicine, or telehealth via the **medical Internet of Things (mIoT)**.
- The **mIoT** refers to physical devices connect to the internet and transform information from the physical world in to the digital world.
- The applications of IoT are nowhere essential in transforming lives of people than in healthcare.





Healthcare Trends

- IoT basic functions is to Connect / Search / Monitor / Manage / Control.
- The major **mIoT** applications can be grouped in to following categories based on the functionality.

1. Tracking of objects and people.
2. Identification and authentication.
3. Automatic data collection and sensing.

mIoT





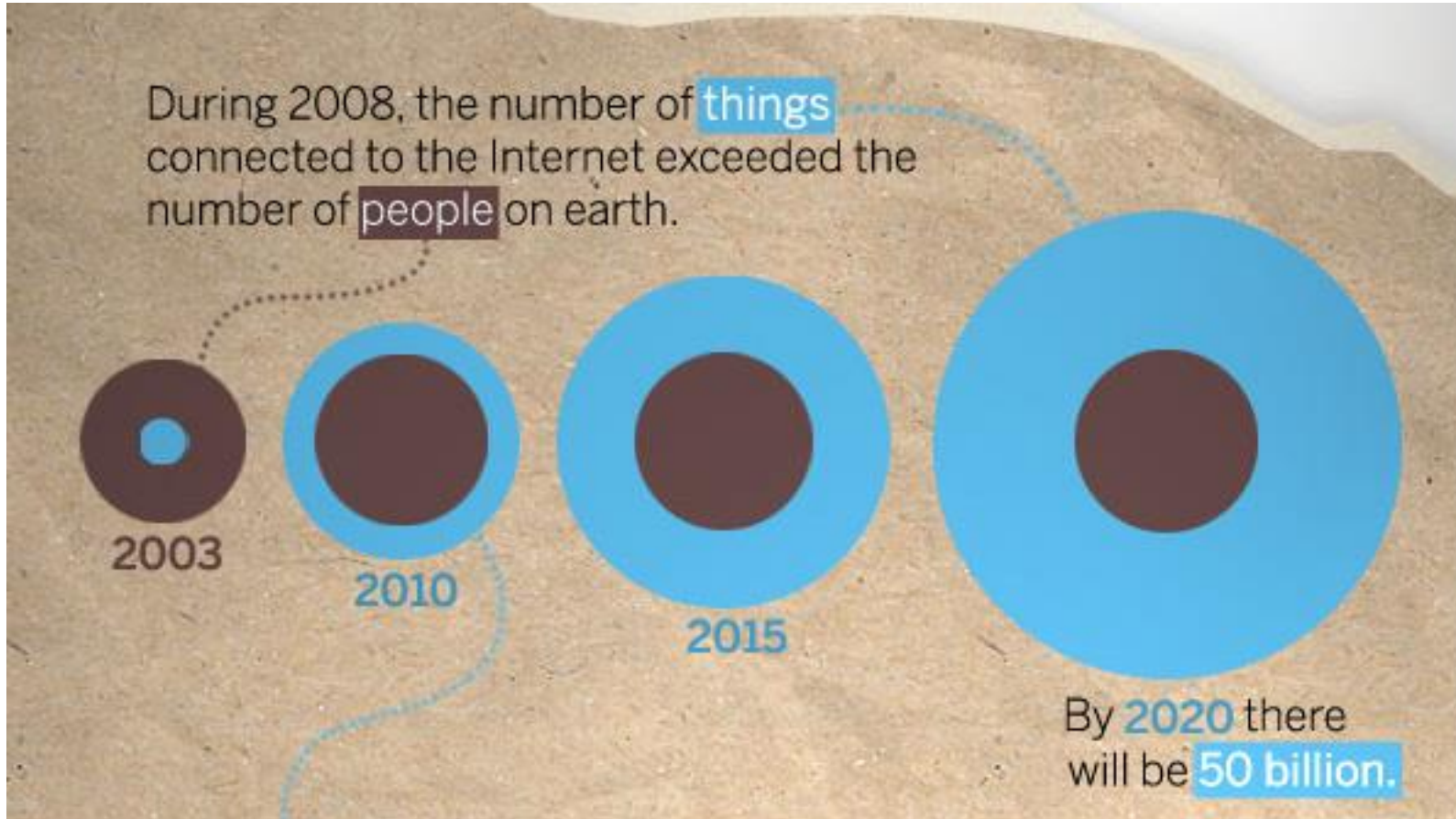
Applications & Values





wearable Devices

- Wireless patient monitoring :
 - i) Monitoring NCDs.
 - ii) Monitored pacemakers and automatic defibrillator.
 - iii) Tracking Pt activities “Fitness”.
 - iv) Smart Diagnostic Devices “Glucometer”.



Sources: Cisco IBSG, Jim Cicconi, AT&T, Steve Leibson, Computer History Museum, CNN, University of Michigan, Fraunhofer



Mobile System Access

- Based on the smart mobile technologies.
- Enable remote/virtual access to
 - EMRs.
 - Picture archiving and communication systems [PACS].



Virtual consultation (telemedicine)

- Based on remote connectivity and multimedia solutions :
 - i) Medical consultation.
 - ii) Diagnostic service (Tele-pathology).
 - iii) E- medical education.
 - iv) Tele-surgery using robots and nurse assistants.

Virtual Consultation





Geriatric Medicine

- The slogan will be “Aging in place” :
 - i) Monitoring for independent living of aging populations.
 - ii) Real-time care via transmission of data to the doctor.
 - iii) Personal emergency responses systems (PERS),
 - iv) Robotic assisted physiotherapy.



Values of mIoT

1. Real time assessment.
2. Better decision-making capability.
3. Increasing its efficiency.
- 4- Lowering costs.



Pharma IOT

- **‘Beyond the pill’** Pharma.
- Electroceutical Vs Pharmaceutical industry.

Beyond the pill Pharmacy



Ingestible sensor

- The **ingestible sensor** is the sensor based technology swallowed as a pill:
 - Tracking the compliance to medication.
 - Powered by the human body fluids.
 - There are no battery and no antenna.
- Technology to monitor drug adherence & competence.

• Proteus, Digital health feedback system, <http://www.proteus.com/technology/digital-health-feedback-system>



Artificial Pancreatic System

- **OpenAPS:** combination of CGM & Insulin pump.
- Connected inhaler from Novartis for COPD.

Obstacles :

1- Safety of patients:

- If used on patients as implantable or wearable, any breaches in security are life threatening and considered very critical.

2- Challenge of BIG DATA for hospital IT

- i) Scalability of IT for better storage & analysis of data.
- ii) Interoperability challenges keep mIoT data at different silos.

•Solutions to avoid Technocracy:

- Smart people “data scientists”.
- Effective ways for data mining.

Challenges

3- Security and personal privacy:

- The mIoT should ensure Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability of patients' personal data.

4- Design challenges:

- Technology improving, nevertheless these are still challenges as on today, while designing an IoT based system [1]:
 - Energy, memory & computer power limitations.



Projected Figures 2020

- By 2020, 40% of IoT-related technology will be health-related, more than any other category ²
- By 2020, IoT devices ranging from 26 – 212 billions IoT devices according to different studies³.
- By 2020 mIoT making up around 117billion USD market share².



Future Prospects

- Convergence of consumer devices and medical devices.
- Via **mIoT** medicine will be participatory (4Ps instead of 3Ps).
- Robotic assisted surgery, physiotherapy, ... etc.
- A new category of “coaches” Digital Health Advisors will emerge.
- Emergence of “Beyond the Pill” Pharmacy.
- Booming of electroceutical business industry.

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