Chapter 6
The Internet of Things, Technology, and Robots (Automation)

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ABSTRACT

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INTRODUCTION TO IOT, TECHNOLOGY, AND ROBOTS: A NEW ERA OF AUTOMATION

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FUNDAMENTALS OF IOT: CONNECTING DEVICES AND DATA

At its core, IoT involves embedding sensors, software, and other technologies into everyday objects to enable systems that can work together to improve efficiency, automation, and user experiences. Understanding the fundamentals of IoT involves exploring its key components, the mechanisms of data transfer, and the implications of its widespread adoption.The fundamental infrastructure, and user interfaces. Devices are physical objects embedded with sensors and actuators that gather and respond which analyzes the information, often using advanced analytics or artificial intelligence, to generate actionable insights. Finally, user interfaces, such as apps or dashboards, allow users to interact with the system, monitor performance, and make informed decisions based on the data. (Al-Fuqaha A et al., 2015). This raw data is then transmitted through communication networks to central servers or cloud platforms. Transmission may occur via various methods, depending on the application and network requirements, Once the data reaches its destination, it is stored and processed. and other intelligent functionalities. proactive management of chronic conditions and personalized patterns (Alsamhi SH et al., 2019a), facilitating precision farming practices that optimize yield and reduce resource consumption. Smart cities leverage IoT to enhance and responsive public services. Industrial applications benefit from IoT through enhanced operational efficiency. Ensuring robust encryption, secure communication protocols, and regular software updates necessitating transparent data practices and compliance with regulatory