

Technology Serving Seniors

Social Media: Smart Home Automation Lights/Sound & Video/Appliances

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History of Home Automation

Early home automation began with labor-saving machines such as self-contained gas-powered or electric home appliances with the introduction of **electric** power distribution which introduced:

- sewing machines (1755)
 - 755) washing machines (1904)
 refrigerators (1913)
- dishwashers (1850)water heaters (1889)
- clothes dryers (1937)

Definition: **Home automation** (sometimes known as "domotics") creates a wide range of technologies that reduce human intervention in processes for a home, making it a <u>smart home</u>.

A home automation system will **monitor** and **control** home attributes such as doors, lighting, climate, entertainment, entry access, water, appliances, home security and more.

When connected with the Internet . . . a home automation system typically connects controlled devices to a central smart home (sometimes called a "gateway").

Smart Home



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First Home Automation System

In 1975, the first general purpose home automation network technology, **X-10**, was developed as a protocol for electronic devices using electric wiring for signaling and control.

By 1978, X10 products included a 16-channel command console, a lamp module, and an appliance module, followed by the wall switch module and the first X10 timer.



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Best Wifi Units

<u>Wireless router</u> is a device that performs the functions of a wireless access point to access the Internet and private computer network:

- Single WiFi router
- Mesh Wifi routers

\$99 - \$499







#1 TP-Link Archer C2300
#2 Linksys EA8300 MaxStream
#3 ASUS ROG Rapture GT-AC5300

#1 Eero #2 Google WiFi #3 Netgear Orbi AC2200 RBK23





Core of Home Automation

Smart home hub, known as "smart hub", "gateway'", "bridge", "controller", "coordinator" or "router"

a control center for a smart home which enables the components of a smart home to communicate with each other through a central electronic point.







Smart Home Device Types

- Lighting Solutions
- Entertainment Devices
- Home Appliances
- Home Utilities
- Home Cameras
- Door Locks

- Garage Door Openers
- Home Security
- Voice Recognition
- Windows & Doors
- Remote Controls
- Smart Home Apps



Lighting Solutions

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Entertainment









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Home Security

Voice Recognition



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Smart Home Apps

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Recommended Wyze Products





A Beginner's Guide

- Choose a system: whether that be Alexa, Google Assistant, HomeKit, SmartThings, other.
- Pick a top smart speaker or smart screen to be your main controller.
- Check what the best devices are in each smart home category.
- Start with the basics lighting, heating, music build your system around these.
- Get stuck into automations and rules.

<u>https://www.the-ambient.com/how-to/get-started-</u> with-the-smart-home-199



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