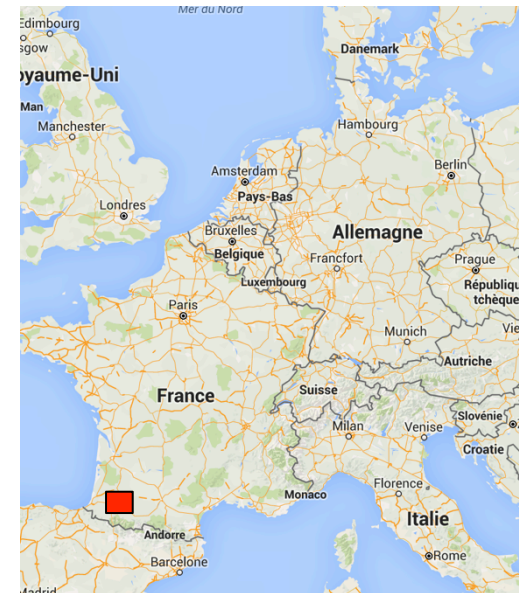


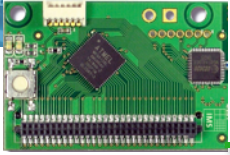
# LOWER COST, LONGER RANGE SENSING SYSTEMS FOR SURVEILLANCE INFRASTRUCTURES

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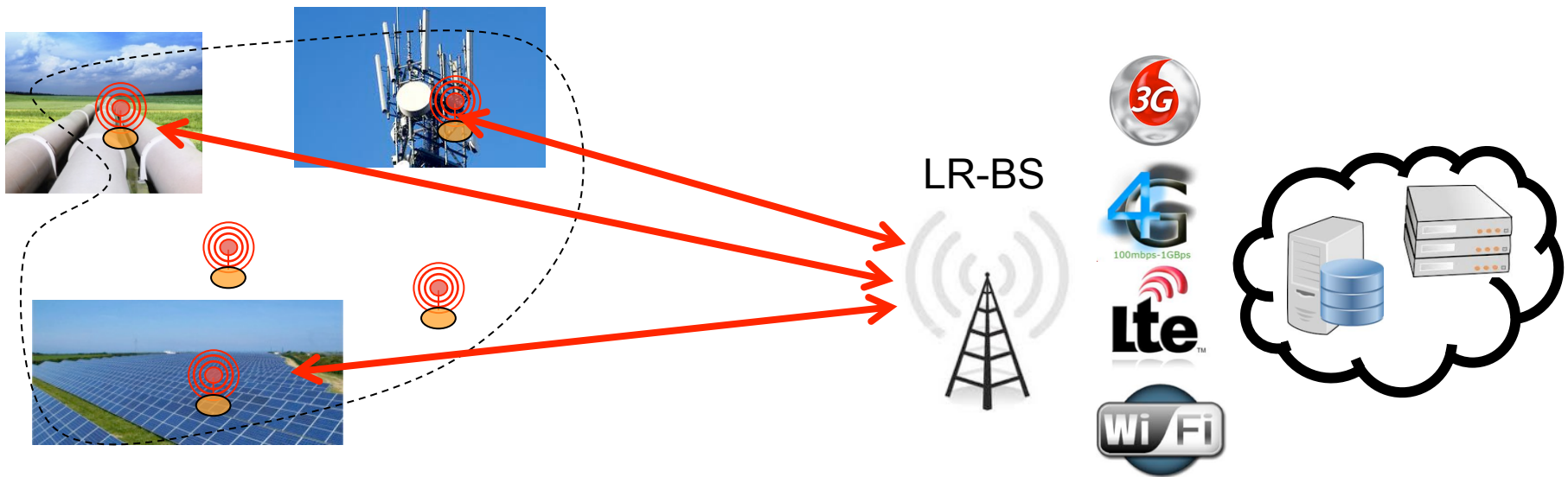
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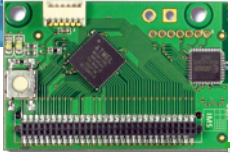




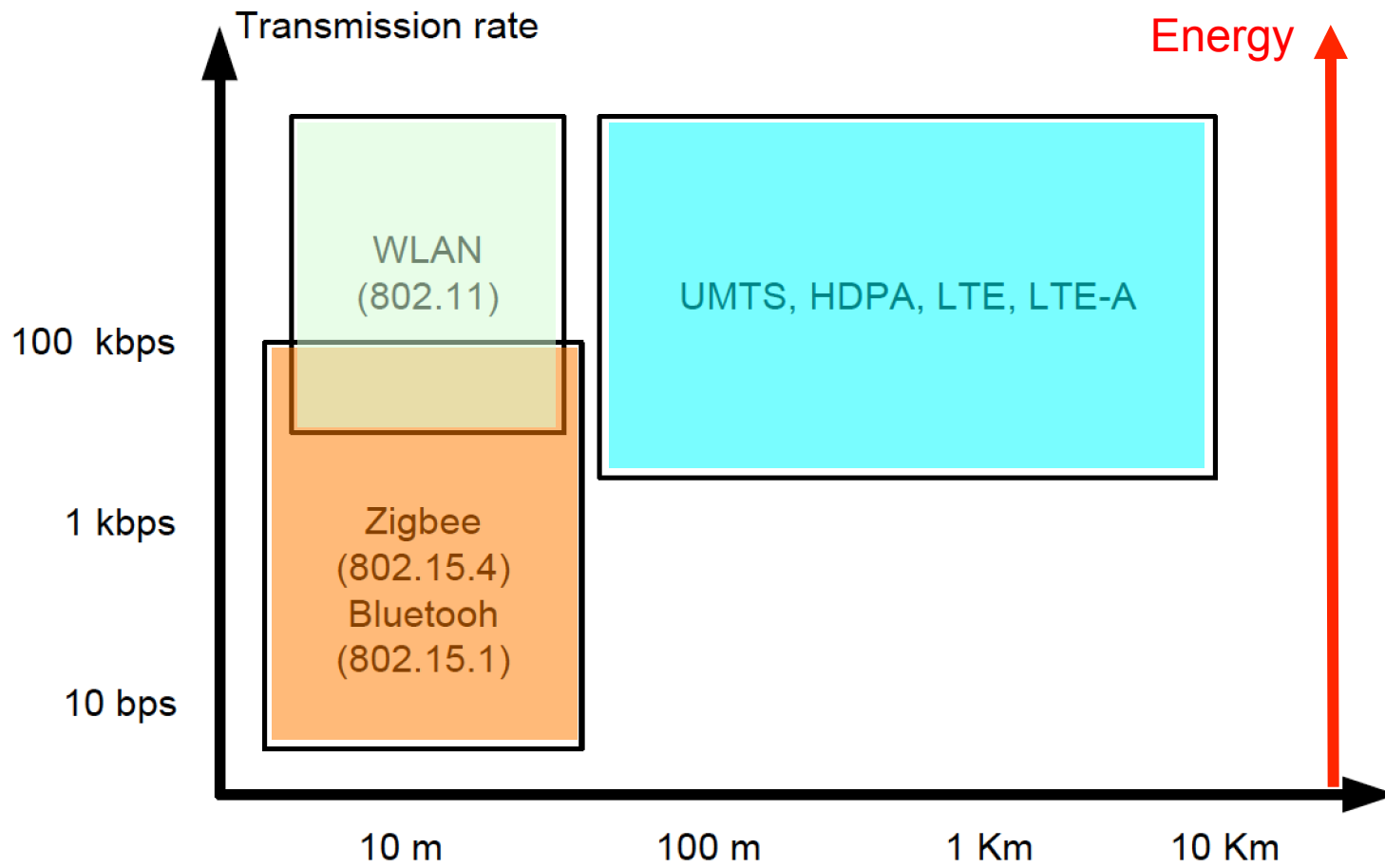
# SENSING SYSTEMS

**IoT/WSN deployment made easier in single-hop model !!!**

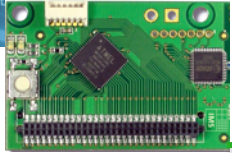




# ENERGY-RANGE DILEMMA

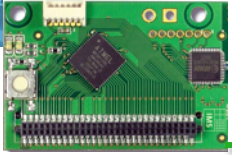


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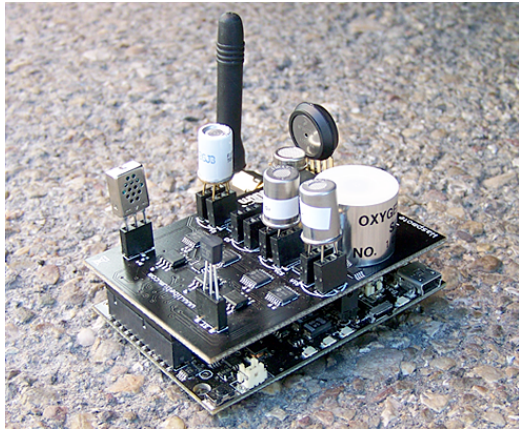


# HOW COSTLY IS TRANSMISSION?

Technology	2G	3G	LAN
Range (I=Indoor, O=Outdoor)	N/A	N/A	O: 300m I: 30m
Tx current consumption	200-500mA	500-1000mA	100-300mA
Standby current	2.3mA	3.5mA	NC



# ENERGY CONSIDERATION



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TX power: 500mA

$$P = I \times V = 500 \times 3.3 = 1650\text{mW}$$

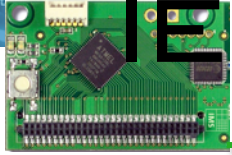
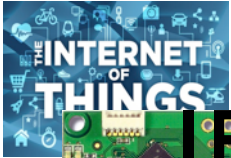
$$E = P \times t \rightarrow t = E/P$$

11345s or 3h9mins

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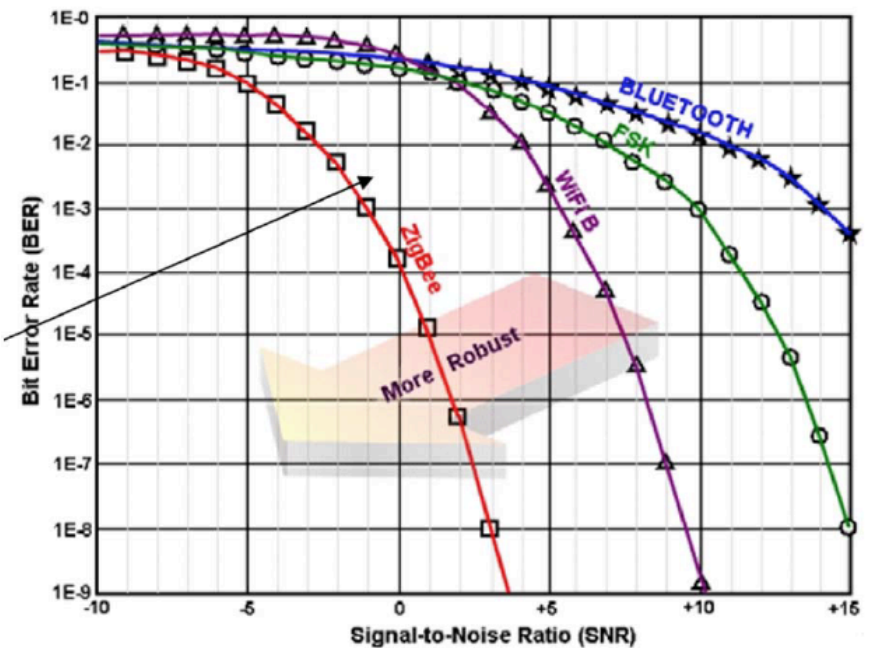
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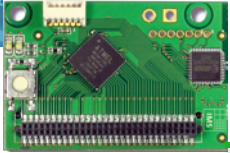
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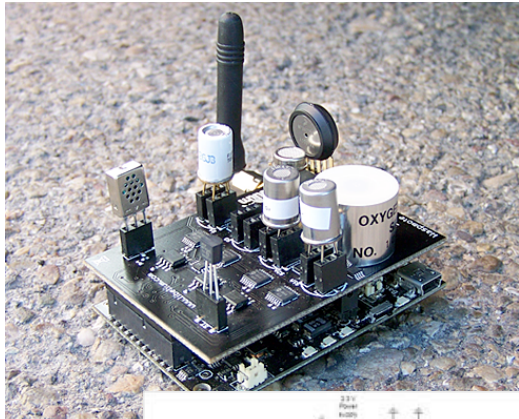
# IEEE 802.15.4 IN ISM 2.4GHZ

- Low-power radio in the 2.4GHz band offering **250kbps** throughput at physical layer
- Power transmission from 1mW to 100mW for range from 100m to about 1km is LOS
- CSMA/CA
- BPSK, used as physical layer in ZigBee





# ENERGY CONSIDERATION



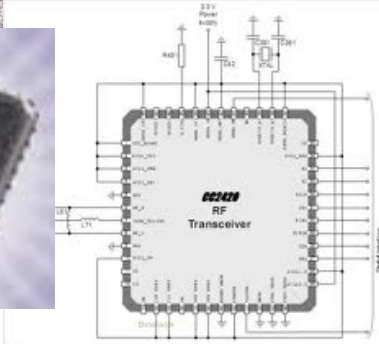
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TX power 0dbm: 17.4mA

$$P = I \times V = 17.4 \times 3.3 = 57.42\text{mW}$$

$$E = P \times t \rightarrow t = E/P$$

326018s or 90.5h



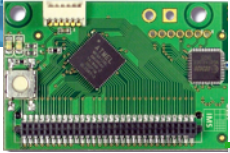
Chipcon Products  
from Texas Instruments

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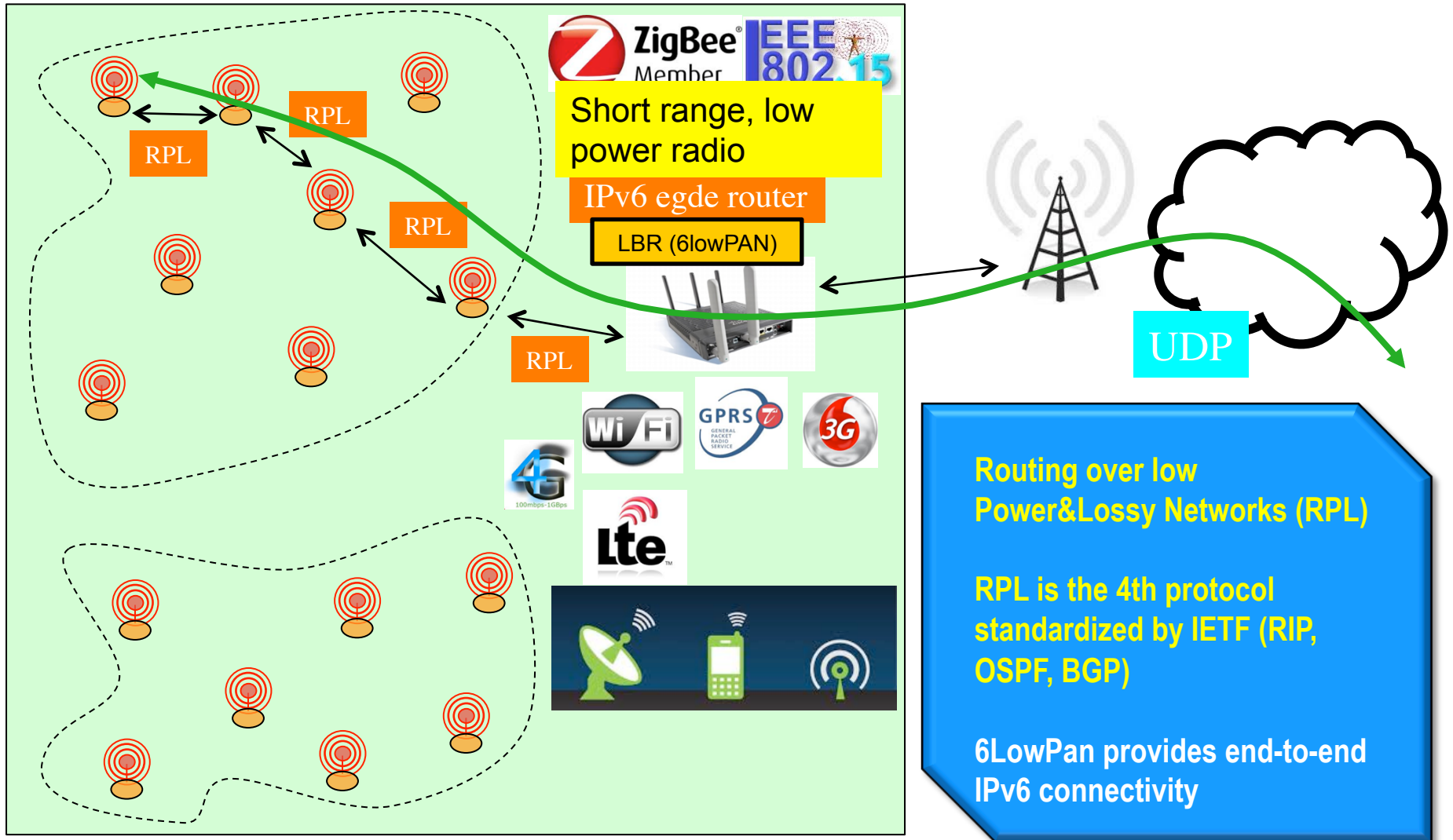
Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	Condition / Note
Current Consumption, transmit mode:					
P = -25 dBm		8.5		mA	The output power is delivered differentially to a 50 Ω singled ended load through a balun, see also page 55.
P = -15 dBm		9.9		mA	
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P = -5 dBm		14		mA	
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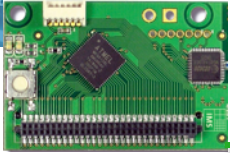
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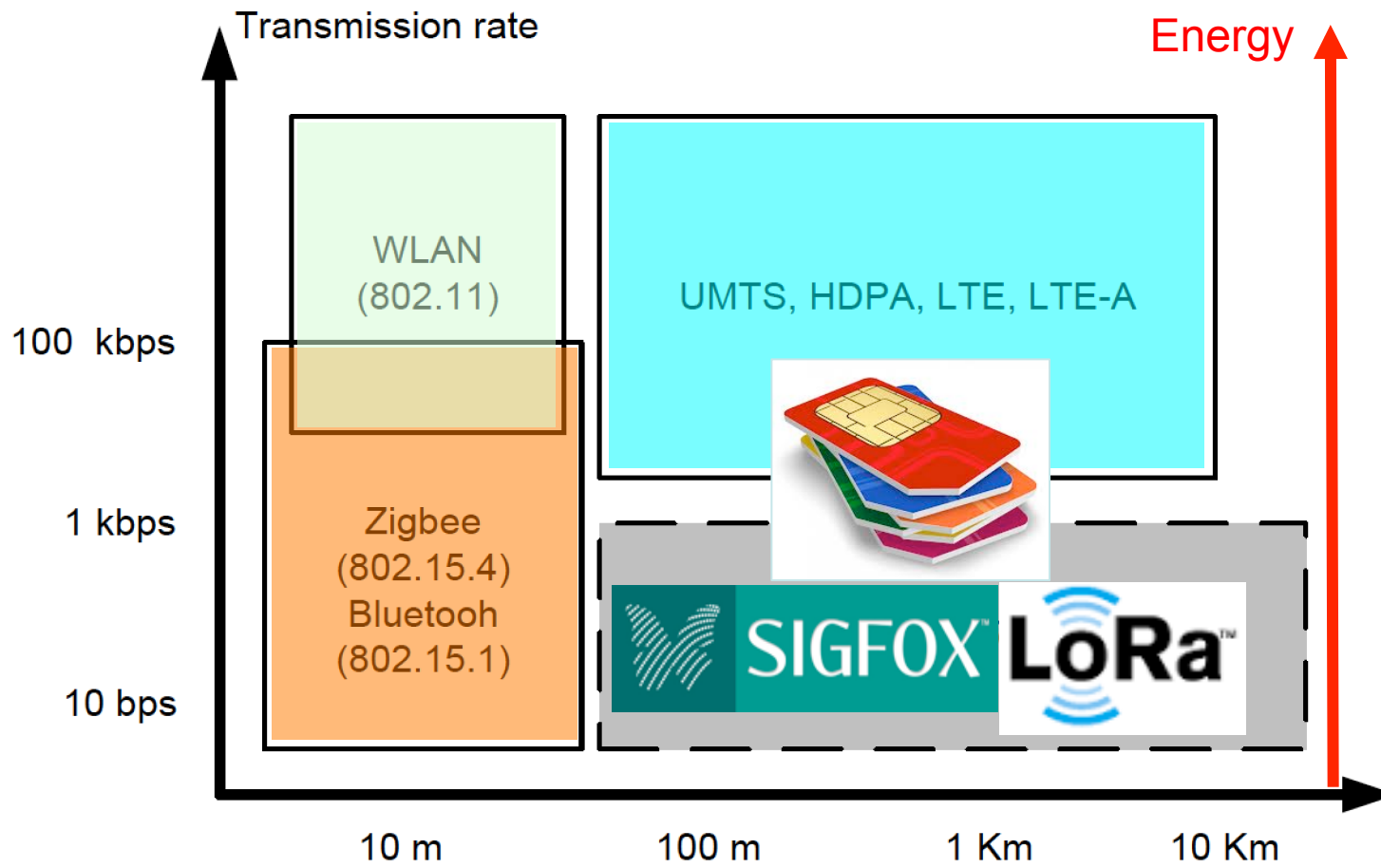
# 15 YEARS OF MULTI-HOP ROUTING?



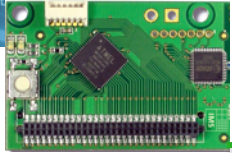




# LOW-POWER AND LONG-RANGE?



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# LOW POWER WAN ?

Tables from Semtech

Technology	2G	3G	LAN	ZigBee	Lo Power WAN
Range (I=Indoor, O=Outdoor)	N/A	N/A	O: 300m I: 30m	O: 90m I: 30m	Same as 2G/3G
Tx current consumption	200-500mA	500-1000mA	100-300mA	18mA	18mA
Standby current	2.3mA	3.5mA	NC	0.003mA	0.001mA
Energy harvesting (solar, other)	No	No	No	Possible	Possible
Battery 2000mAh (LR6 battery)	4-8 hours(com) 36 days(idle)	2-4 hours(com) X hours(idle)	50 hours(com) X hours(idle)	60hours (com)	120 hours(com) 10 year(idle)
Module Revenue Annually	12 \$	20 \$	4 \$	\$3	3 \$

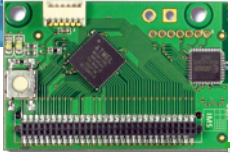
Autonomy GSM with 2000mAh -



Autonomy LP WAN with 2000mAh -



Example for energy meter



# TYPICAL SCENARIOS

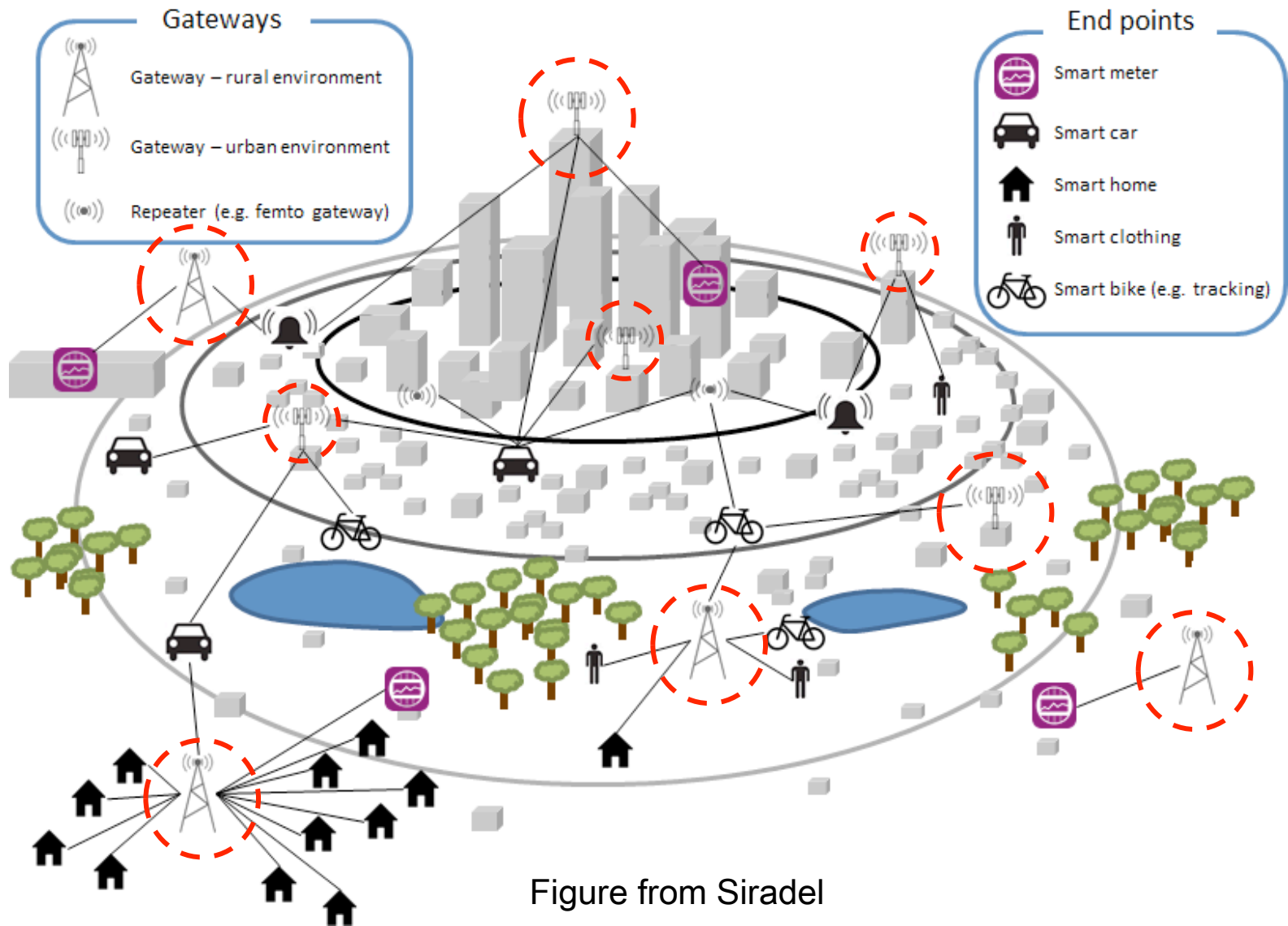
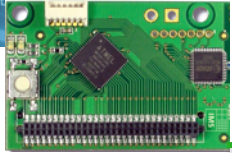
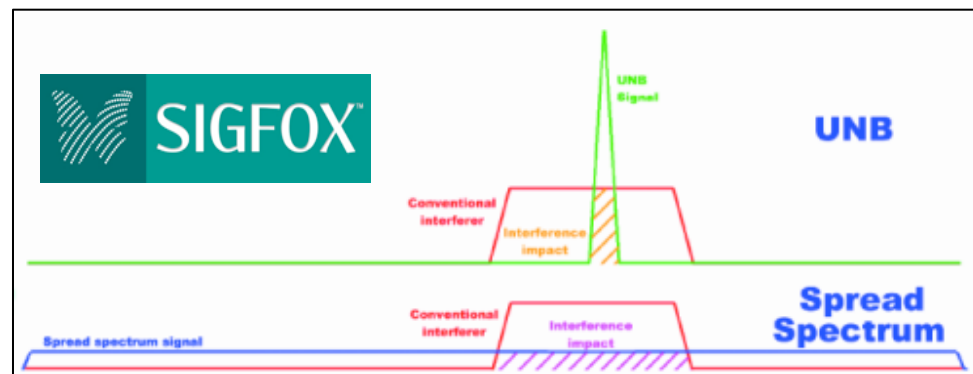


Figure from Siradel



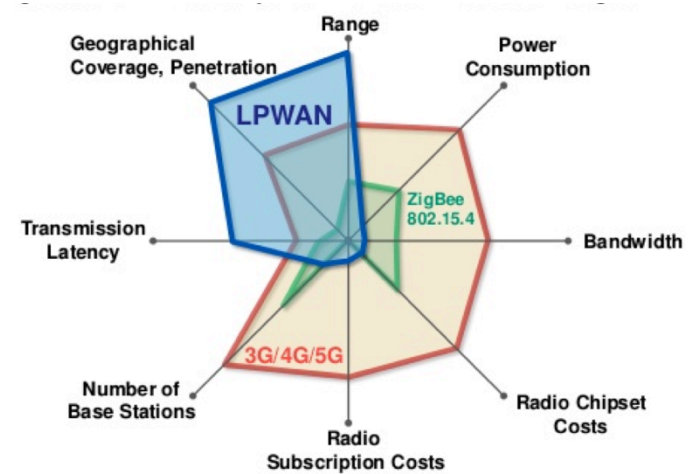
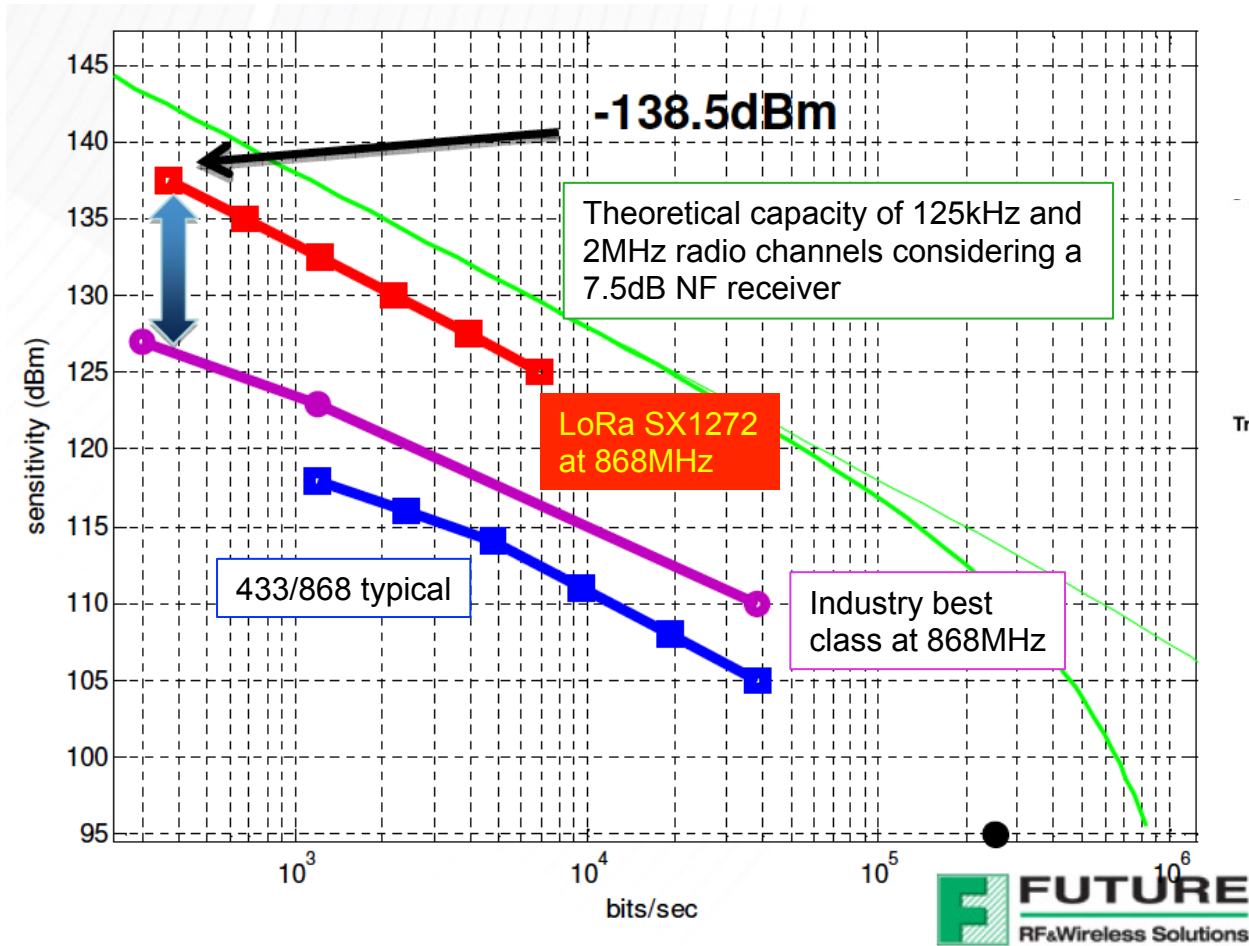
# INCREASING RANGE?

- Generally, robustness and sensitivity can be increased when transmitting (much) slower
- A [Sigfox message is sent relatively slowly in a very narrow band of spectrum (hence ultra-narrow-band) using Gaussian Frequency-Shift Keying modulation]
- LoRa also increases time-on-air when maximum range is needed. But LoRa uses spread spectrum instead of UNB

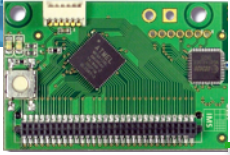




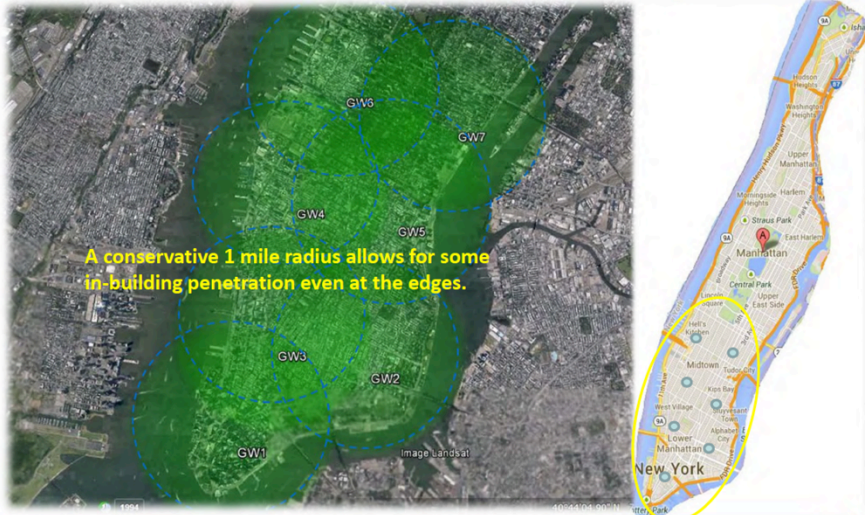
# WHY THE LPWAN REVOLUTION?



From Peter R. Egli, INDIGOO.COM

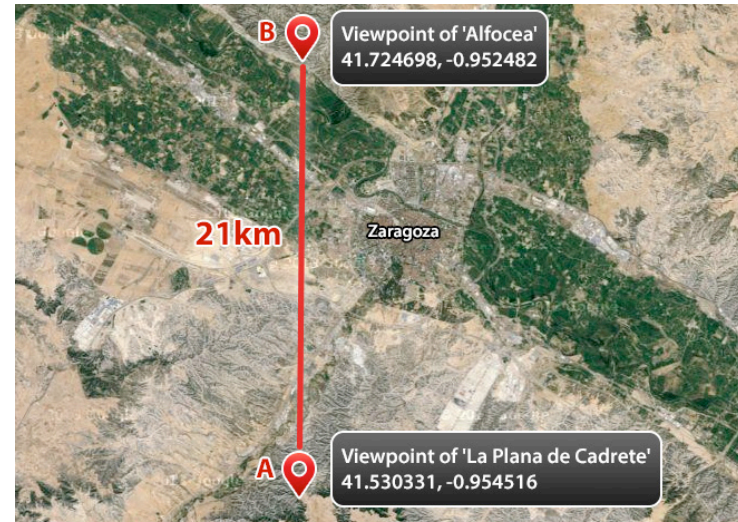


# VERSATILE LPWAN!



A conservative 1 mile radius allows for some in-building penetration even at the edges.

Dense urban areas



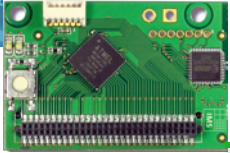
Rural areas



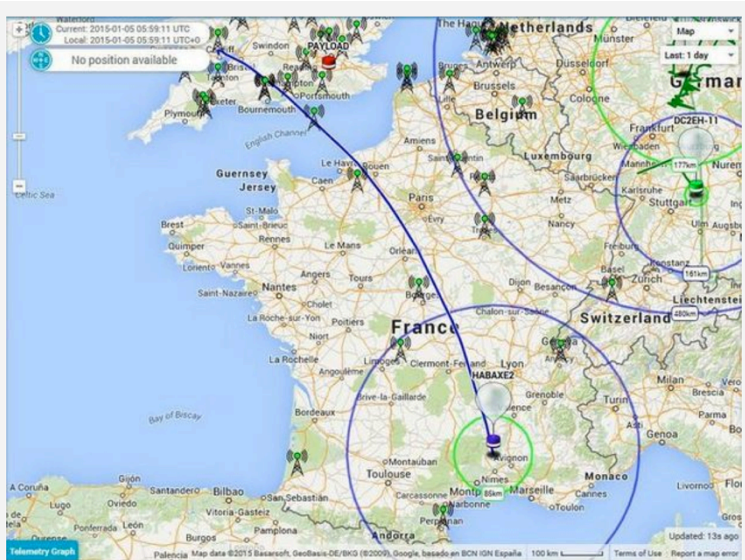
Indoor



Underground

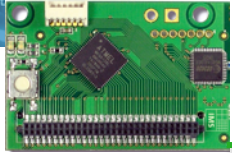


# EXTREME LONG-RANGE!



UK HAB (High Altitude Ballooning) trials gave 2 way LoRa™ coverage at up to 240 km. Lowering the data rate from 1000bps to 100bps should allow coverage all the way to the radio horizon, which is perhaps 600 km at the typical 6000-8000m soaring altitude of these balloons. Balloon tracking can be made





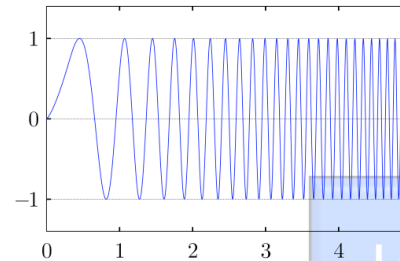
# WHAT ABOUT THE THROUGHPUT?



Sigfox uses ultra-narrow band (UNB) of about 100Hz with GMSK (~BPSK)

Typical throughput is about 100bps

Devices can typically send up to 140 messages of 12-bytes per day (operator limits)

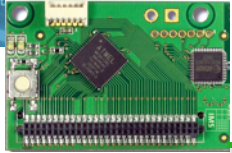


LoRa modulation is more versatile, using CSS variant

Sensitivity and throughput depend on 3 LoRa parameters: BW (bandwidth), CR (coding rate) and SF (spreading factor)

Throughput range is 240bps to 37500bps





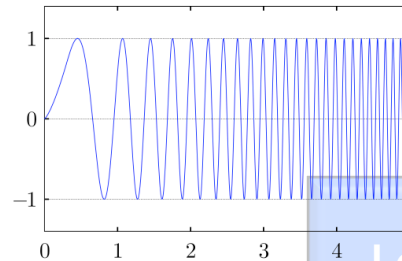
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## EAI Endorsed Transactions on the Internet of Things

Research Article [ICST.ORG](https://www.icst.org/)

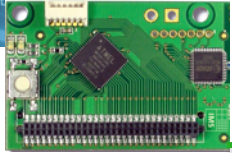
### Dedicated networks for IoT : PHY / MAC state of the art and challenges

C. Goursaud<sup>1,\*</sup>, J.M. Gorce<sup>1</sup>

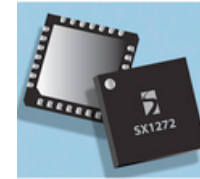
<sup>1</sup>Univ Lyon, INSA Lyon, Inria, CITI, F-69621 Villeurbanne, France

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# LoRA'S PARAMETERS



## Parameters

- Bandwidth: 62.5kHz, 125kHz, 250kHz, 500kHz
- Rate code: 4/4+CR (CR=1, 2, 3, 4)
- Spreading factor: 6 to 12

$$R_b = SF * \frac{\text{Rate Code}}{\left[ \frac{2^{SF}}{BW} \right]} \text{ bits/sec}$$

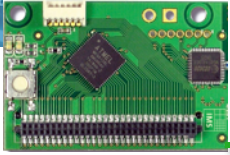
Sensitivity: lowest input power with acceptable link quality, typically 1% PER

SpreadingFactor (RegModemConfig2)	Spreading Factor (Chips / symbol)	LoRa Demodulator SNR
6	64	-5 dB
7	128	-7.5 dB
8	256	-10 dB
9	512	-12.5 dB
10	1024	-15 dB
11	2048	-17.5 dB
12	4096	-20 dB

Bandwidth (kHz)	Spreading Factor	Nominal Rb (bps)	Sensitivity (dBm)
125	6	9380	-122
125	12	293	-137
250	6	18750	-119
250	12	586	-134
500	6	37500	-116
500	12	1172	-131

**Rule of thumb**  
 6dB increase = twice the range in LOS  
 12dB needed for urban areas

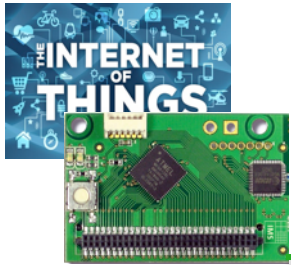
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# TIME ON AIR FOR VARIOUS LoRa SETTINGS

↑ Range  
↓ Throughput

LoRa mode	BW	CR	SF	time on air in second for payload size of					
				5 bytes	55 bytes	105 bytes	155 Bytes	205 Bytes	255 Bytes
1	125	4/5	12	0.95846	2.59686	4.23526	5.87366	7.51206	9.15046
2	250	4/5	12	0.47923	1.21651	1.87187	2.52723	3.26451	3.91987
3	125	4/5	10	0.28058	0.69018	1.09978	1.50938	1.91898	2.32858
4	500	4/5	12	0.23962	0.60826	0.93594	1.26362	1.63226	1.95994
5	250	4/5	10	0.14029	0.34509	0.54989	0.75469	0.95949	1.16429
6	500	4/5	11	0.11981	0.30413	0.50893	0.69325	0.87757	1.06189
7	250	4/5	9	0.07014	0.18278	0.29542	0.40806	0.5207	0.63334
8	500	4/5	9	0.03507	0.09139	0.14771	0.20403	0.26035	0.31667
9	500	4/5	8	0.01754	0.05082	0.08154	0.11482	0.14554	0.17882
10	500	4/5	7	0.00877	0.02797	0.04589	0.06381	0.08301	0.10093



# LoRa vs SigFox

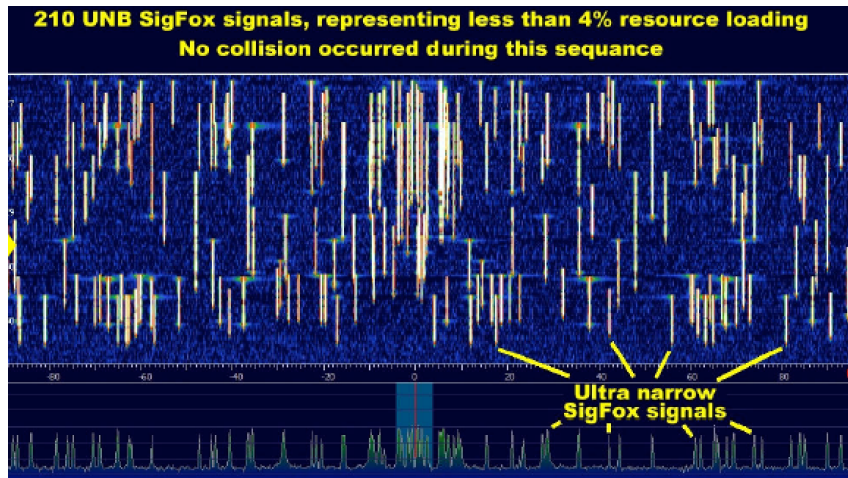
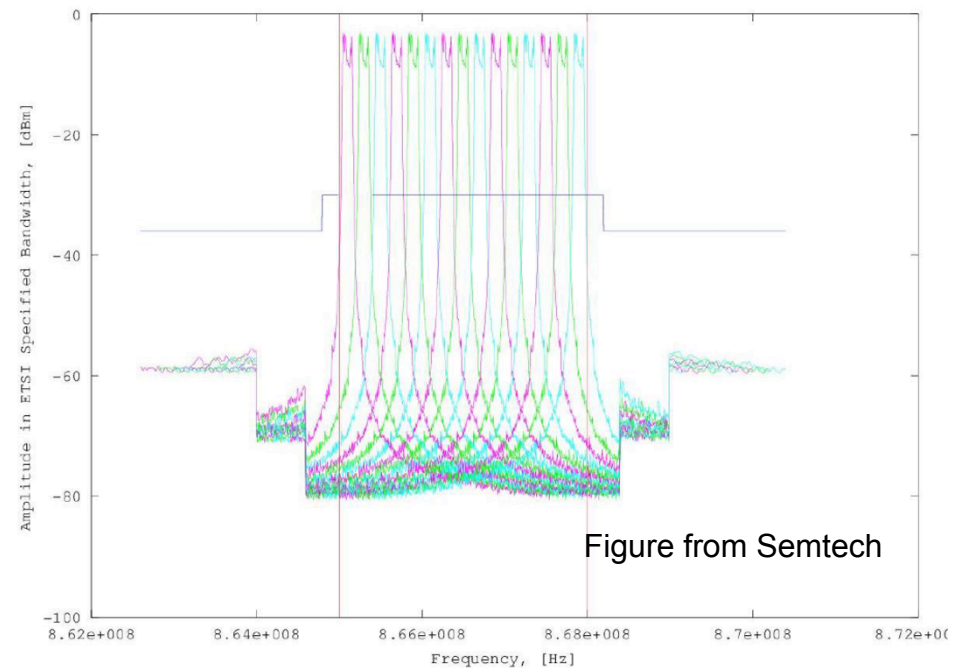


Figure from SigFox



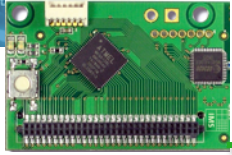
## Usual (ultra) narrow-band (UNB) vs spread spectrum (SS) arguments

UNB has lower in-band receive noise and SigFox can have more channels than LoRa

But UNB needs tighter receiver synchronization and more complex signal processing at receiver (SigFox uses advanced SDR at receiver to analyse the total band)

SS can more rapidly be saturated so LoRa may have more interference issues in dense environments

From networking guys perspective, LoRa is more versatile with possibility to build ad-hoc mesh networks



# FROM SCOOP.IT (N. AYU)

**LoRa™ technology to be integrated into FLASHNET's street lighting management solution**

Tata Communication world's largest IoT in India

**SIGFOX and Glen Canyon Corp. to Connect 1 Million Smart Meters to Internet of Things**

**Semtech and STMicroelectronics Collaborate to Scale LoRa Technology to Meet High-Volume Demands of Internet of Things Applications**

**OTIO to Connect 1 Million Devices to SIGFOX**



From [www.businesswire.com](http://www.businesswire.com) - February 22, 4:59 PM  
OTIO, a subsidiary of Groupe HBF specializing in electrical equipment, lighting and home automation, has chosen the SIGFOX network to deploy its new international offer of connected devices.

**Swisscom sets up a Swiss-wide network for the Internet of Things**



From [www.swisscom.ch](http://www.swisscom.ch) - March 14, 7:49 PM

The Internet of Things has long connected millions of objects and devices to one another and to people. In the future, this number will reach into the billions worldwide. Swisscom is the first provider in Switzerland to set up an additional network dedicated to the Internet of Things: the Low Power Network, designed for the transmission of small amounts of data independently of the electrical network.



From [www.sudo](http://www.sudo) 16, 2015 2:24 PM

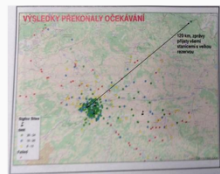
“Gestionnaire des Landes, en Dordogne, So ondes radio de Sigtox pour relever les compteurs et surveiller l'état des canalisations Le compteur...”

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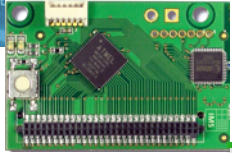
“French Telecom LoRa radio technology for its own domestic IoT and M2M network.”

network, a narrow-band technology which guarantees connectivity at a reduced energy consumption rate and at a lower cost. Orange has chosen to rely on LoRa (Long Range) technology to deploy this network that will cover the whole of metropolitan France.

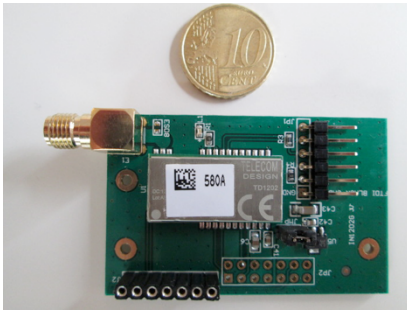
**T-Mobile to cover Republic with the Internet of Things**



From [www.theinternetofthings](http://www.theinternetofthings) September 10, 4:41 PM  
Following a pilot operation in the Czech Republic that exceeded expectations, T-Mobile SimpleCell Networks will now deploy LoRa's Internet of Things network throughout the country.



# SOME SIGFOX RADIO MODULES



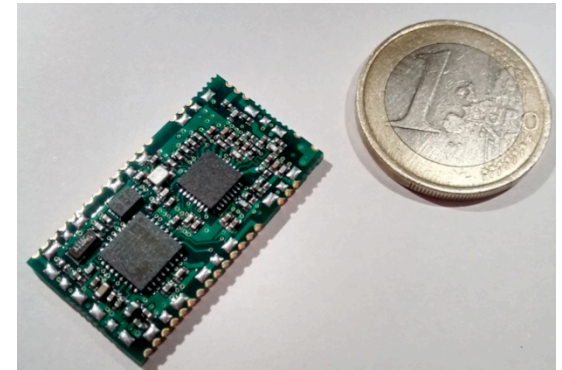
TD120x serie from Telecom Design



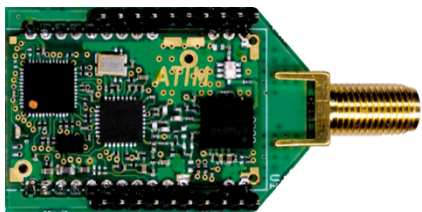
SigFox module from CookingHack (Libelium)



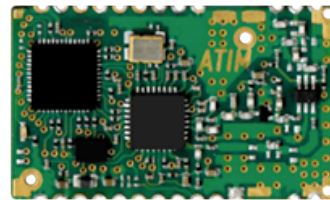
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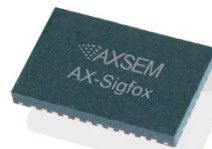
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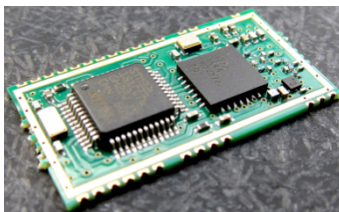
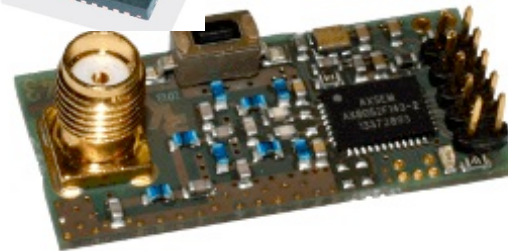
SigBee module from ATIM



ARM-Nano N8 SigFox module from ATIM



AXSEM SigFox module



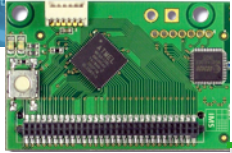
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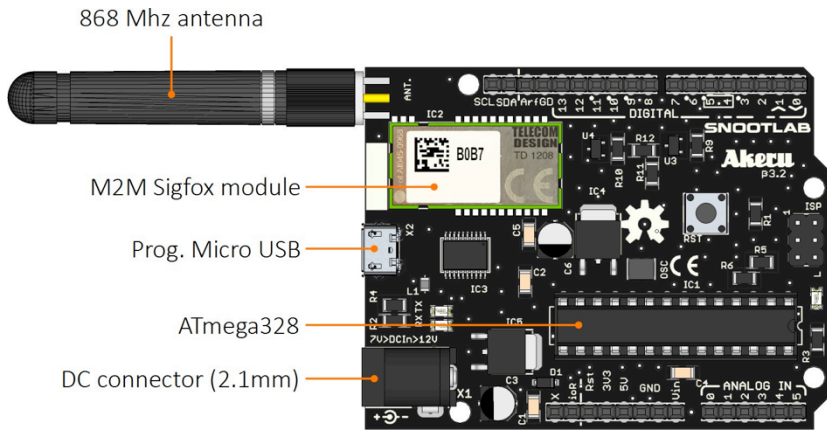
RC1682-SIG from RadioCraft



SigFox module from Snoc



# SOME READY-TO-USE SIGFOX DEVICES



Snootlab Akeru is Arduino-like



SigFox demonstrator by Adeunis



Universal push button from Bttn Inc



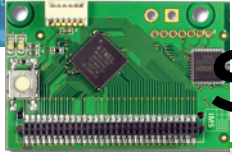
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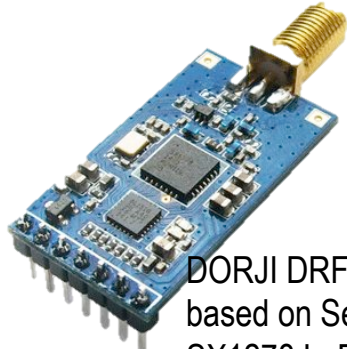
Sens'it from Axible Technologies



HidNSeek



# LoRa MODULES FROM SEMTECH'S SX127X CHIPS



DORJI DRF1278DM is based on Semtech SX1278 LoRa 433MHz



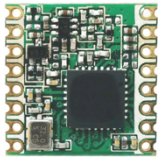
Libelium LoRa is based on Semtech SX1272 LoRa 863-870 MHz for Europe



inAir9/9B based on SX1276



Froggy Factory LoRa module (Arduino)



HopeRF RFM series



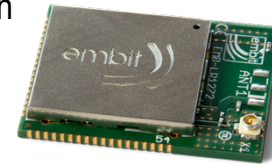
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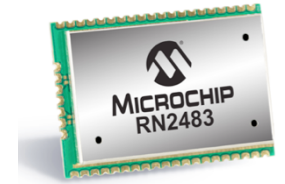
LinkLabs Symphony module



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Embit LoRa



LoRa™ Long-Range Sub-GHz Module (Part # RN2483)

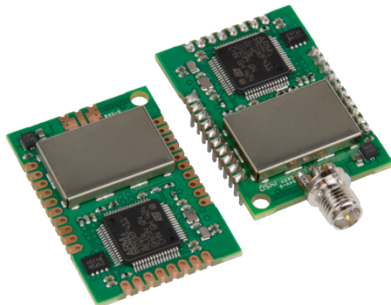
Microship RN2483



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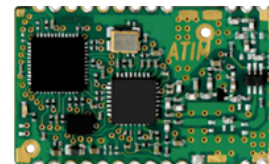
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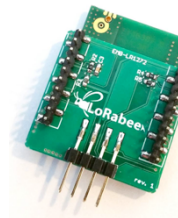
Multi-Tech MultiConnect mDot



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ARM-Nano N8 LoRa module from ATIM



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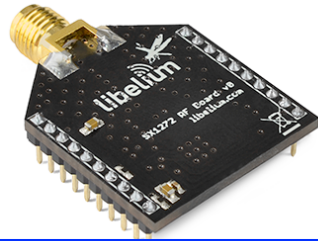


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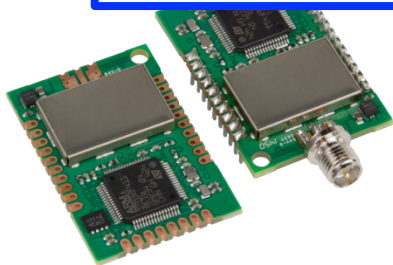


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LoRa® Transceivers

Part Number	Frequency Range (MHz)	Link Budget (dB)	Rx Current (mA)	FSK max DR (kbps)	LoRa DR (kbps)	Max Sensitivity (dBm)	Tx Power (dBm)
SX1272	860 - 1020	158	10	300	0.3 - 37.5	-137	+ 20
SX1273	860 - 1020	150	10	300	1.7 - 37.5	-130	+ 20
SX1276	137 - 1020	168	9.9	300	0.018 - 37.5	-148	+ 20
SX1277	137 - 1020	158	9.9	300	1.7 - 37.5	-139	+ 20
SX1278	137 - 525	168	9.9	300	0.018 - 37.5	-148	+ 20



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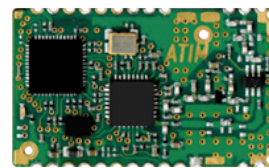


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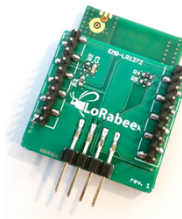
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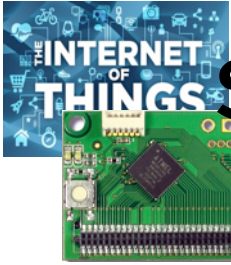


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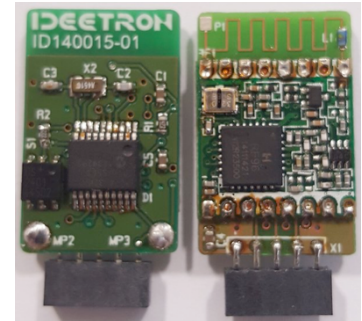
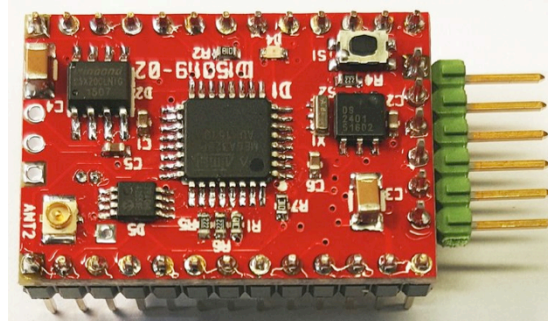
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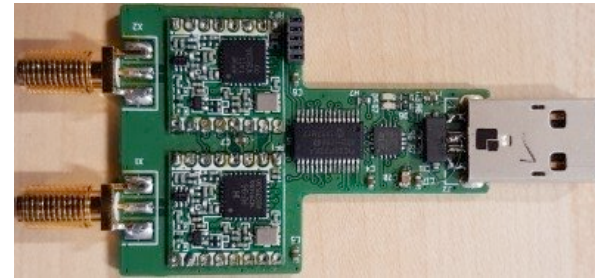
# SOME READY-TO-USE LORA DEVICES



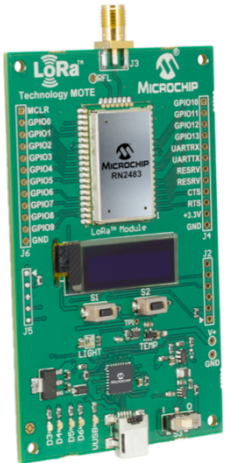
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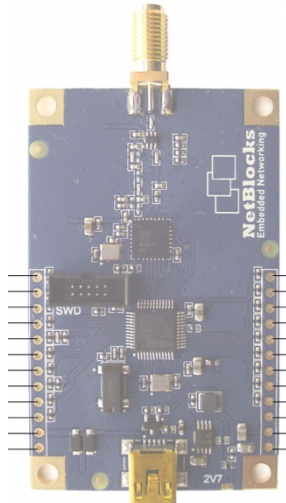
LoRa Alliance



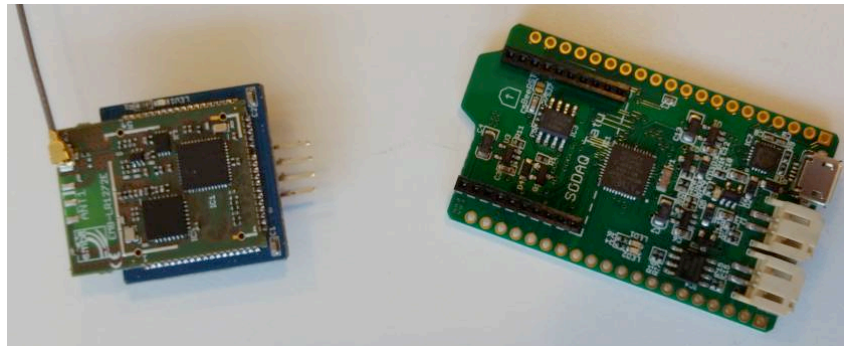
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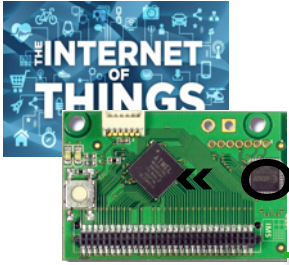
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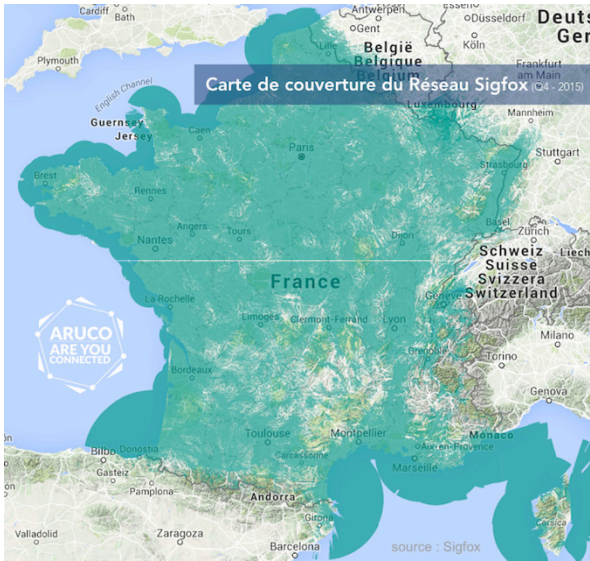
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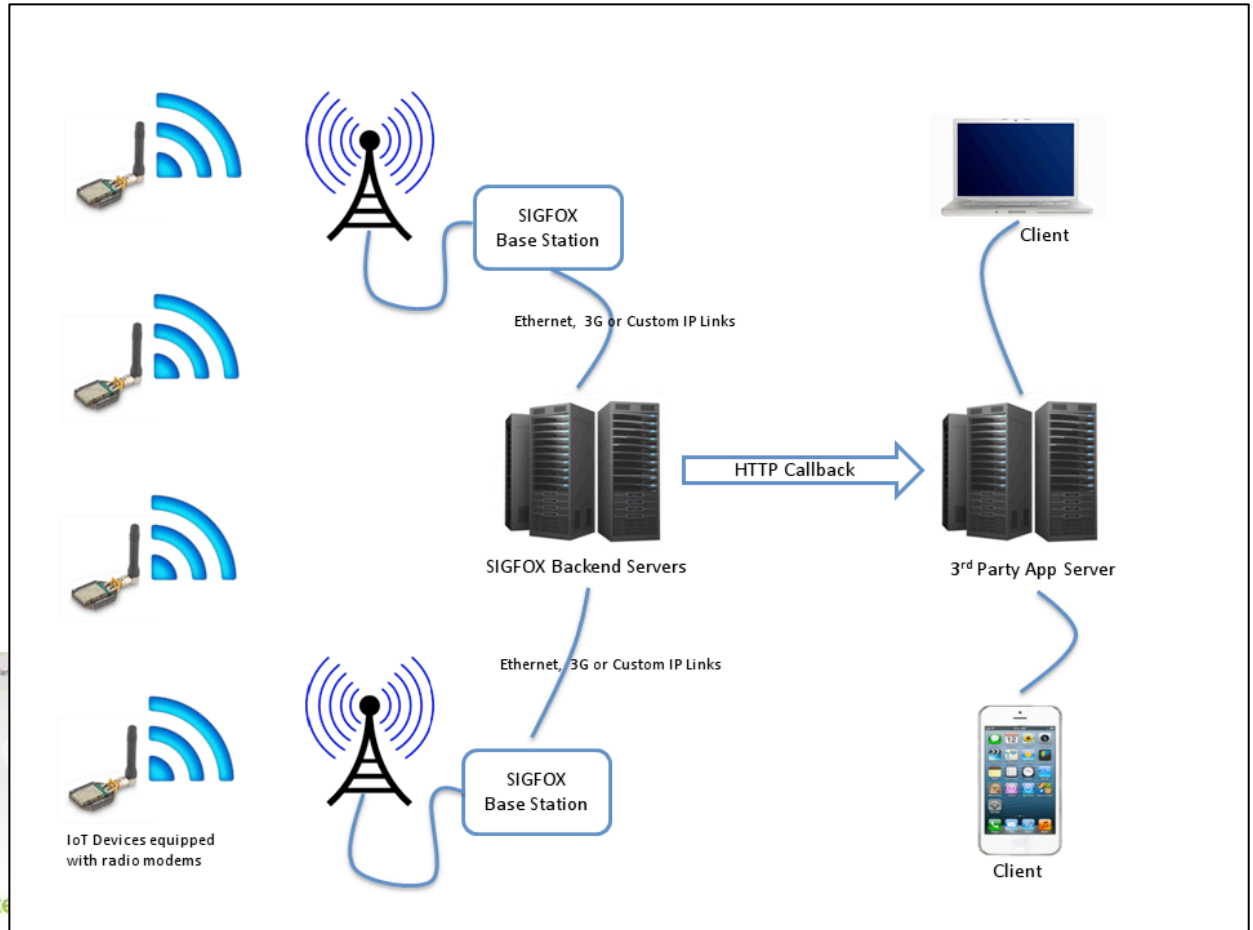
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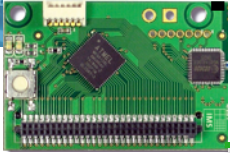
# SIGFOX'S MODEL FOR M2M: THE « OPERATOR » (ALL-IN-ONE) APPROACH



Figures from SigFox



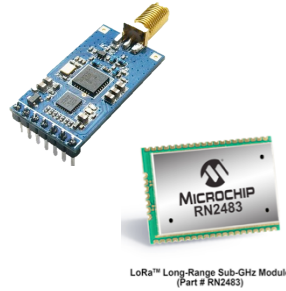
<http://www.scoop.it/t/toulouse-networks/?tag=SigFox>



# ...vs PRIVATE LONG RANGE NETWORKS WITH LoRa

Add LoRa radio module to your preferred dev platform

Install a LoRa gateway and start collecting data



LoRa™ Long-Range Sub-GHz Module (Part # RN2483)

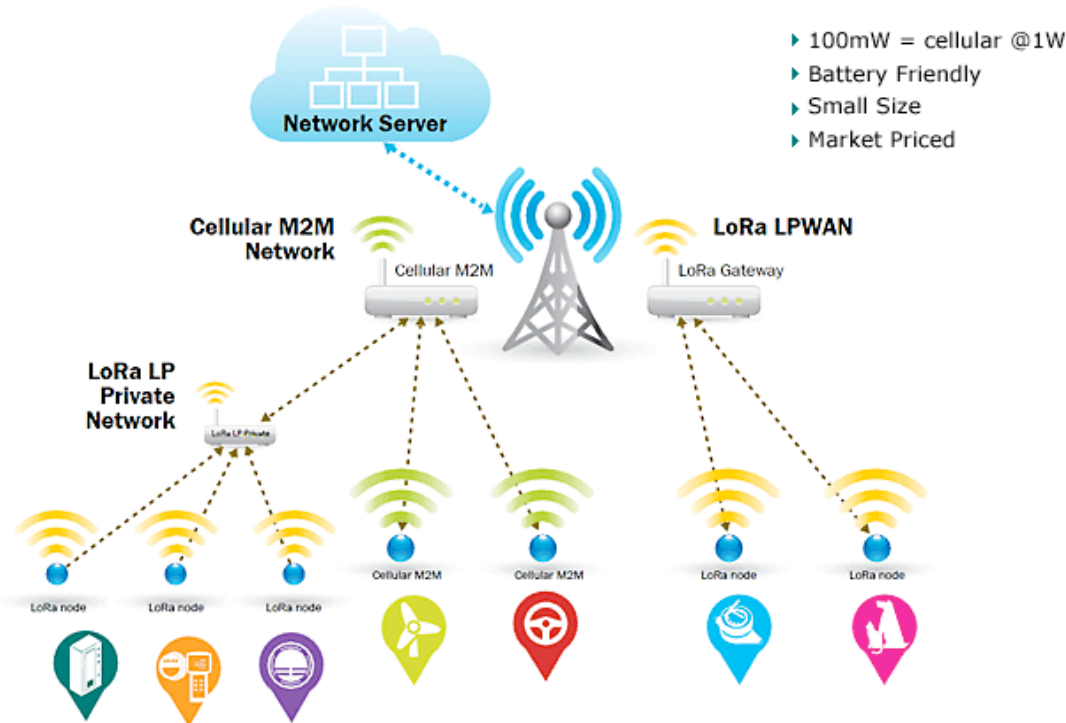
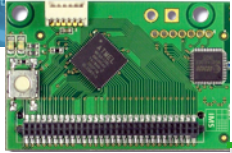


Figure from Semtech





# LORA GATEWAYS (NON EXHAUSTIVE LIST)



Multi-Tech Conduit



Embedded Planet  
EP-M2M-LORA



Ideeatron Lorank 8



LinkLabs Symphony



PicoWAN from  
Archos

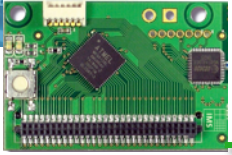


TheThingNetwork



Kerlink IoT Station

Or build your own one:  
Arduino, Raspberry Pi, ...



# OTHER LONG-RANGE TECHNOLOGIES

Weightless  
N, P

LTE  
Cat-0  
Cat-1  
Cat-M1

RPMA  
(Ingenu)

802.11ah

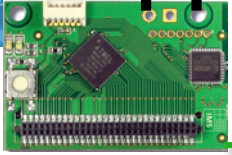
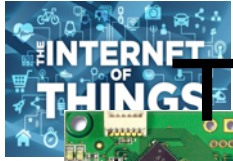
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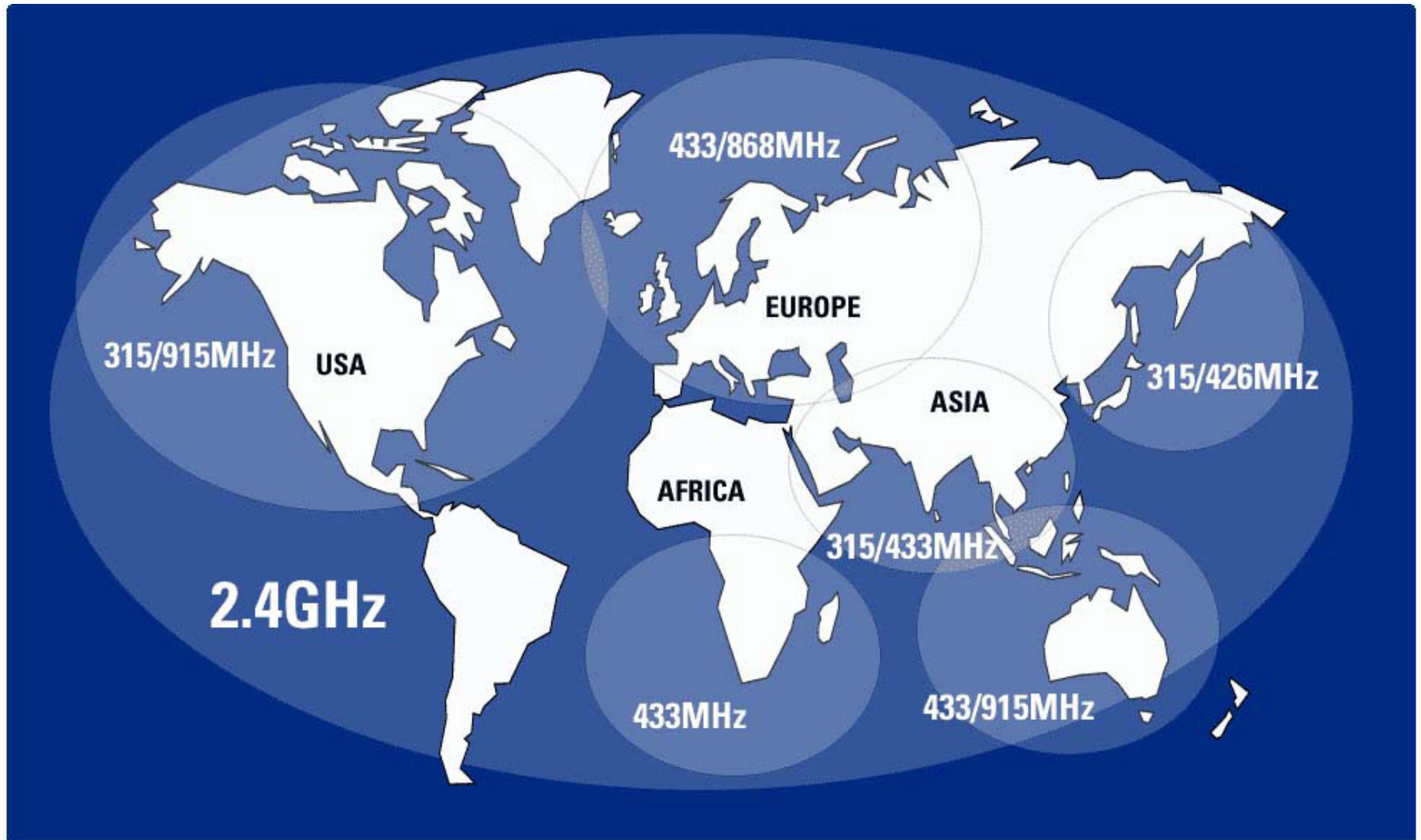
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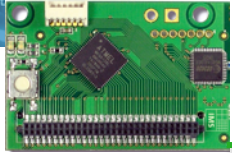
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NB-IoT



# THE ISM/SRD LICENSE-FREE FREQUENCY BANDS





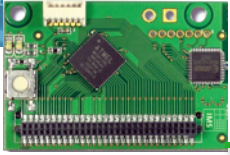
# LICENSE-FREE SUB-GHZ CONSTRAINTS

- ❑ Shared medium so long-range transmission in dense environments can create lots of interference!
- ❑ Activity time is constrained from 0.1%, 1% 10% duty-cycle depending on frequency: 3.6s, 36s/hour to 360s/hour

Band	Edge Frequencies		Field / Power	Spectrum Access	Band Width
	Fe-	Fe+			
g(Note 7)	865 MHz	868 MHz	+6.2 dBm /100 kHz	1 % or LBT AFA	3 MHz
g(Note 7)	865 MHz	870 MHz	-0.8 dBm / 100 kHz	0.1% or LBT AFA	5 MHz
g1	868 MHz	868.6	14 dBm	1 % or LBT AFA	600 kHz
g2	868.7 MHz	869.2 MHz	14 dBm	0.1% or LBT AFA	500 kHz
g3	869.4 MHz	869.65 MHz	27 dBm	10 % or LBT AFA	250 kHz
g4	869.7 MHz	870 MHz	7 dBm	No requirement	300 kHz
g4	869.7 MHz	870 MHz	14 dBm	1 % or LBT AFA	300 kHz

For SigFox, the operator typically limits the number of messages per day (140) with penalty for over usage. e.g. new messages/day =  $140 - (2 * \llcorner \#msg\_overuse \llcorner)$  applied during  $\llcorner \#msg\_overuse \llcorner$  days

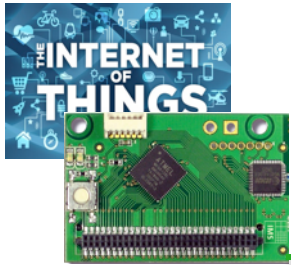




# LBT+AFA

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- ❑ Listen Before Talk and Adaptive Frequency Agility can relax the duty-cycle constraints...
- ❑ ... but still
  - ❑ 100s / hour on every 200kHz BW
  - ❑ **no more than 1s for a single transmission** 😞😞
- ❑ ... so may not be that interesting!



# LoRa™ Alliance

Wide Area Networks for IoT

## Sponsor members

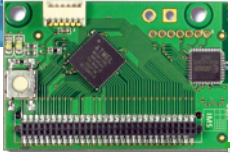


## Contributor members



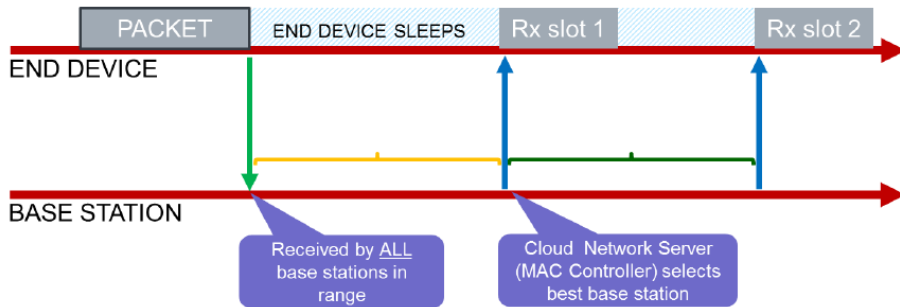
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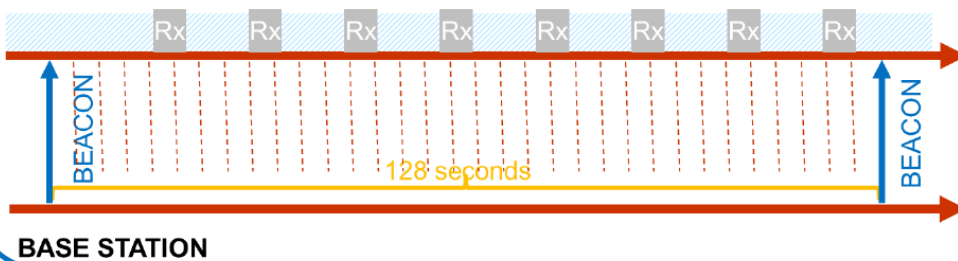
# WHAT IS LORAWAN?

## Class A: Receiver Initiated Transmission strategy (RIT)

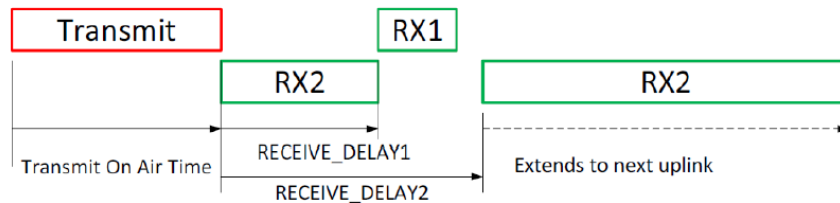


## Class B: Coordinated Sampled Listening (CSL)

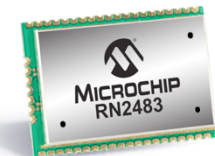
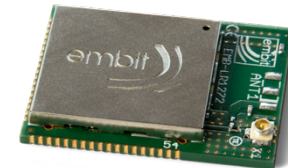
Network may send downlink packet to node at any Rx slot



## Class C: Continuous Listening

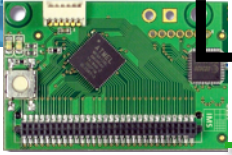


Application				
LoRa <sup>®</sup> MAC				
MAC options				
Class A (Baseline)	Class B (Baseline)	Class C (Continuous)		
LoRa <sup>®</sup> Modulation				
Regional ISM band				
EU 868	EU 433	US 915	AS 430	—

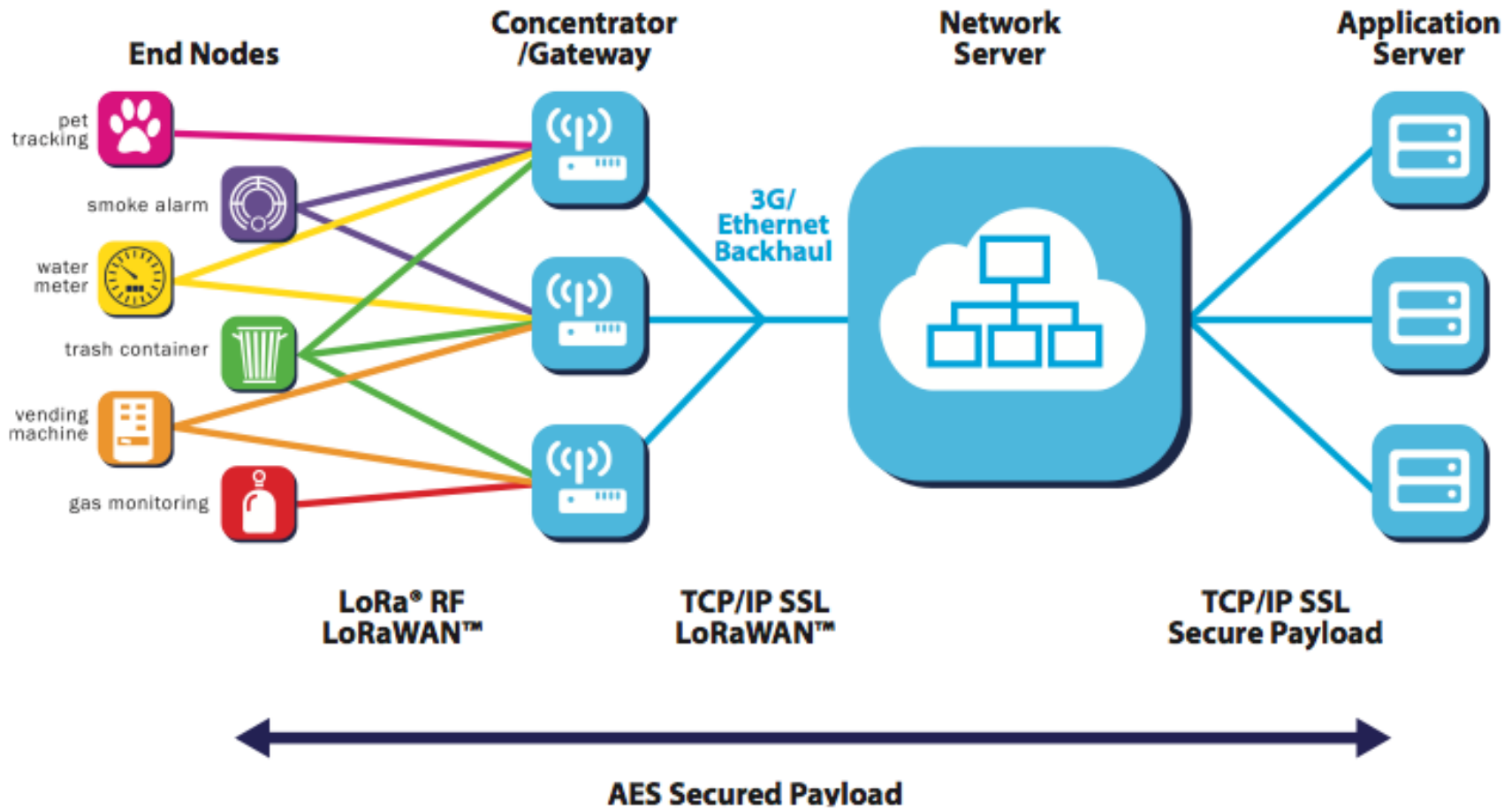


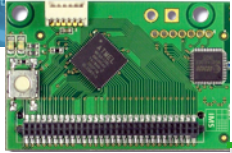
LoRa<sup>™</sup> Long-Range Sub-GHz Module (Part # RN2483)

Power Efficiency ↑ Latency constrained applications ↓



# LORAWAN ARCHITECTURE



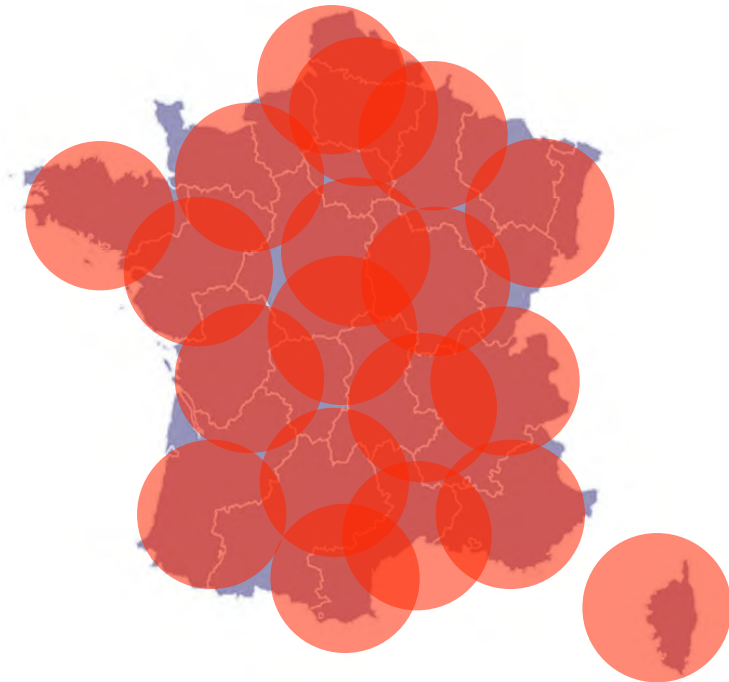


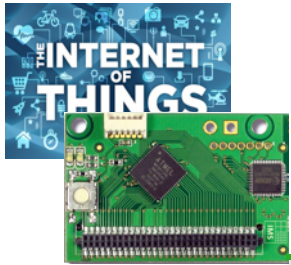
# WILL MAIN MARKET BE OPERATOR BASED?



## Long Range

- Greater than cellular
- Deep indoor coverage
- Star topology



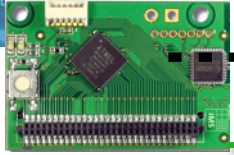


# ...COMMUNITY BASED?



## Communities





# OR FROM LOCAL ACTORS?



Irrigation



Livestock farming



Fish farming & aquaculture



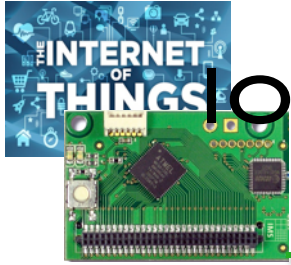
Storage & logistic



Agriculture

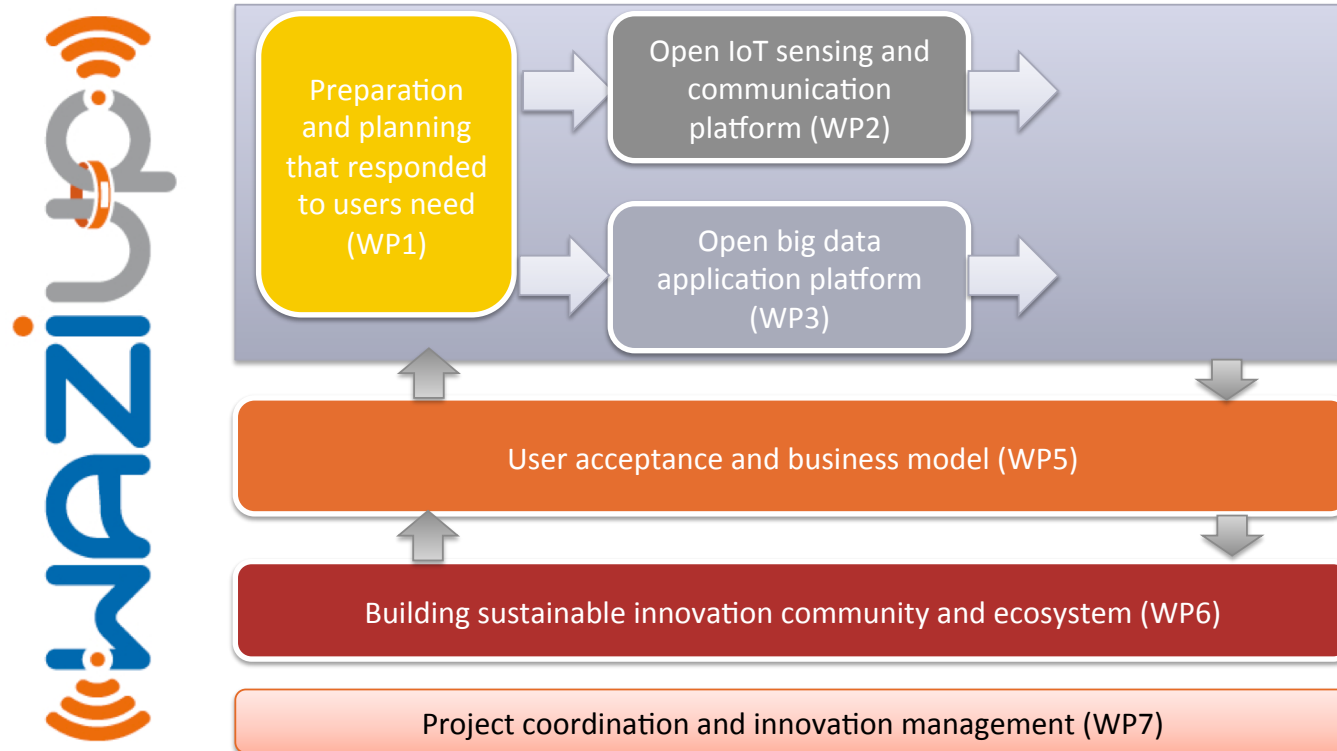


Fresh water

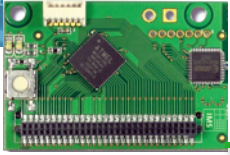


# IoT FOR RURAL APPLICATIONS IN DEVELOPPING COUNTRIES

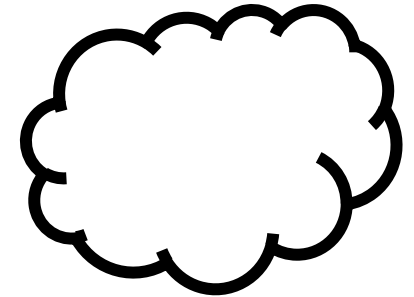
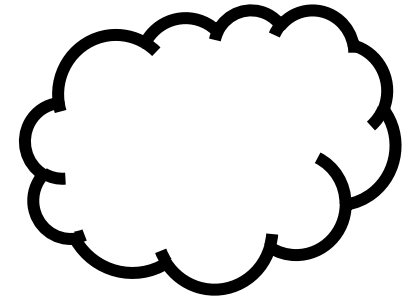
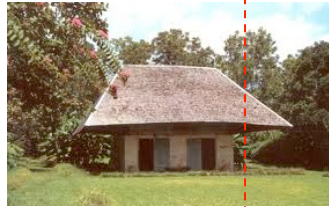
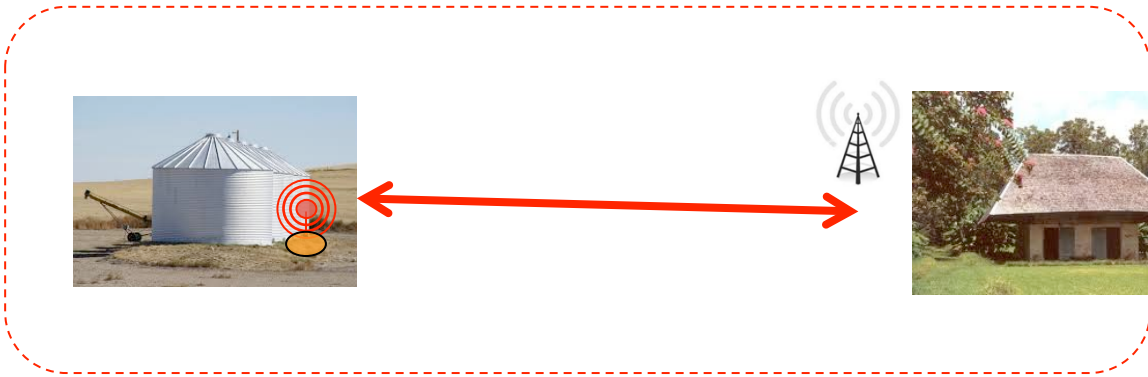
- ❑ WAZIUP is an EU H2020 project (2016-2019)
- ❑ contributes to long-range networks for rural applications with WP2

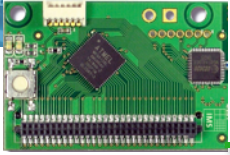






# TYPICAL SCENARIOS

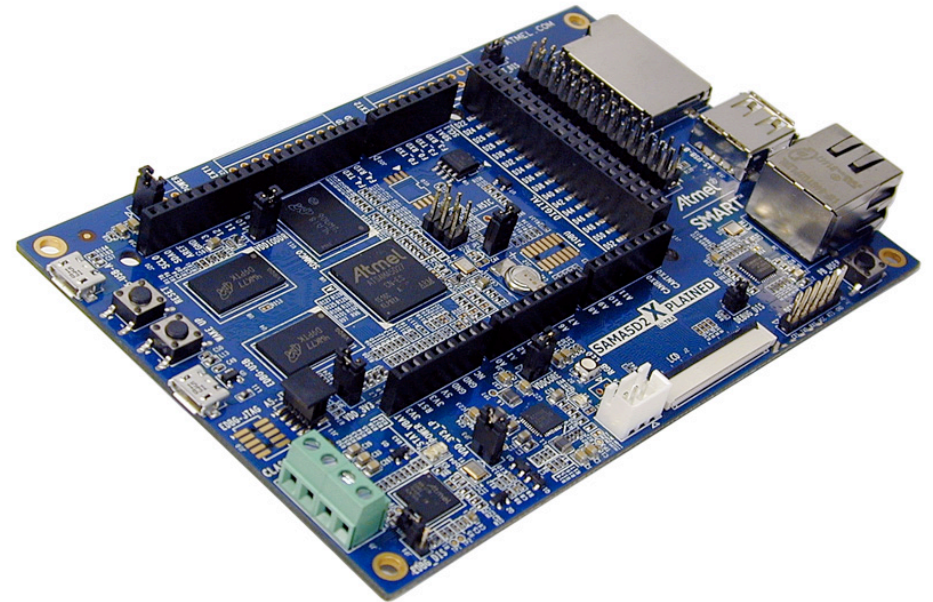
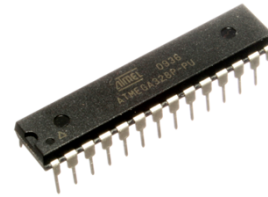




# POWERFULL MICRO-CONTROLLER BOARDS...



Analog pins



Atmel | SMART SAMA5D2

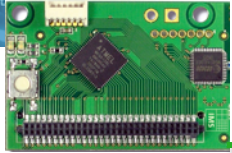
Come with build-in analog-to-digital converter (ADC) which usually have 10-bit resolution:

0V means 0

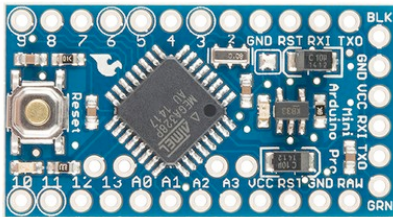
3.3V or 5V means  $1024 = 2^{10}$



# ...GETTING SMALLER AND SMALLER !!

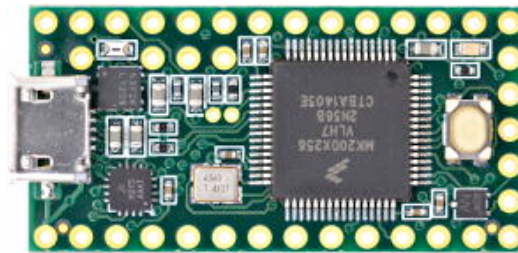


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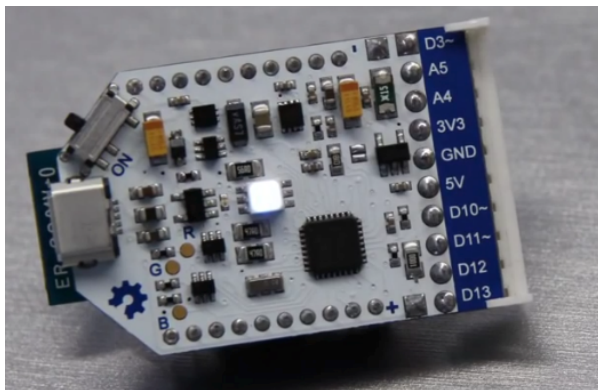
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Teensy 3.2



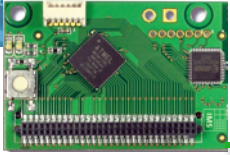
STM32 Nucleo-32



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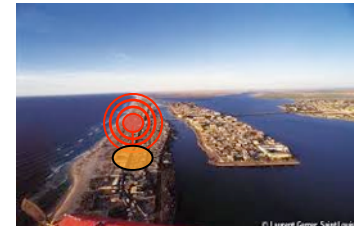
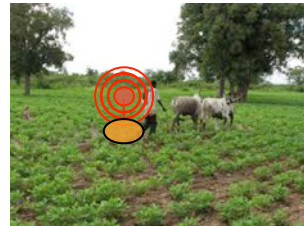
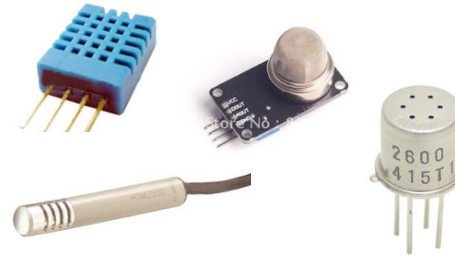
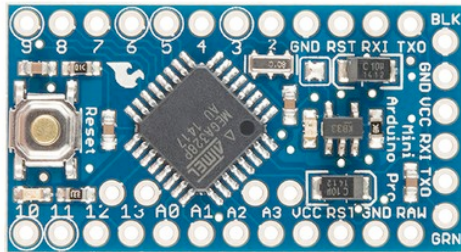


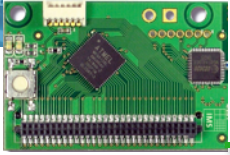
Tinyduino



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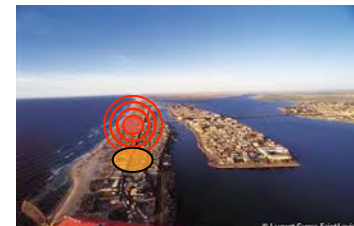
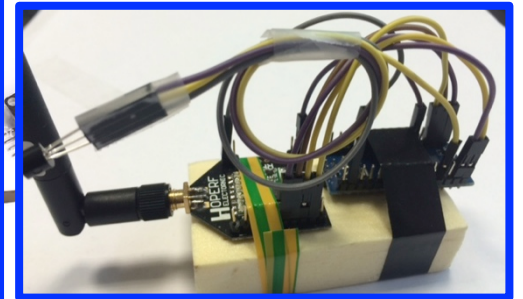
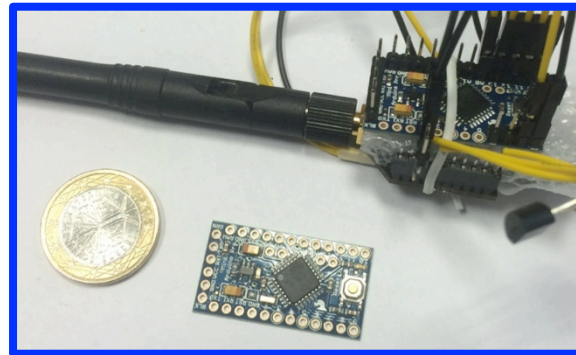


Pro Mini atmega328 3.3V 8M

For Arduino Compatible Nano

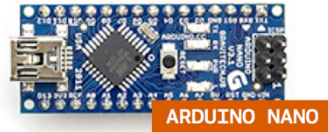
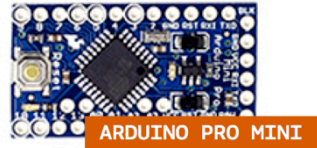
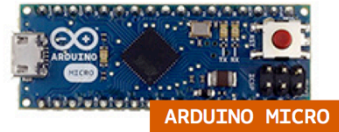
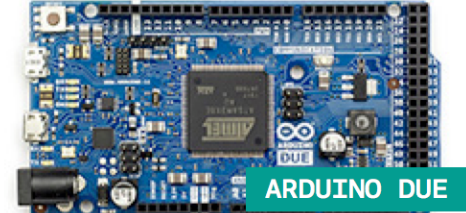
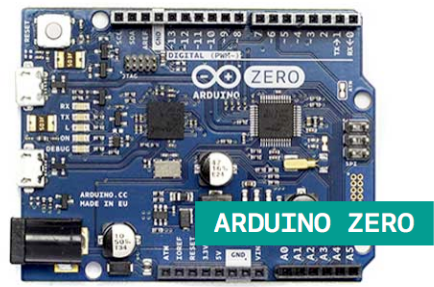
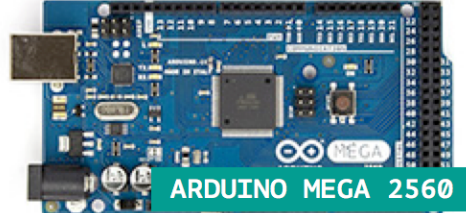
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**US \$1.86** / pièce

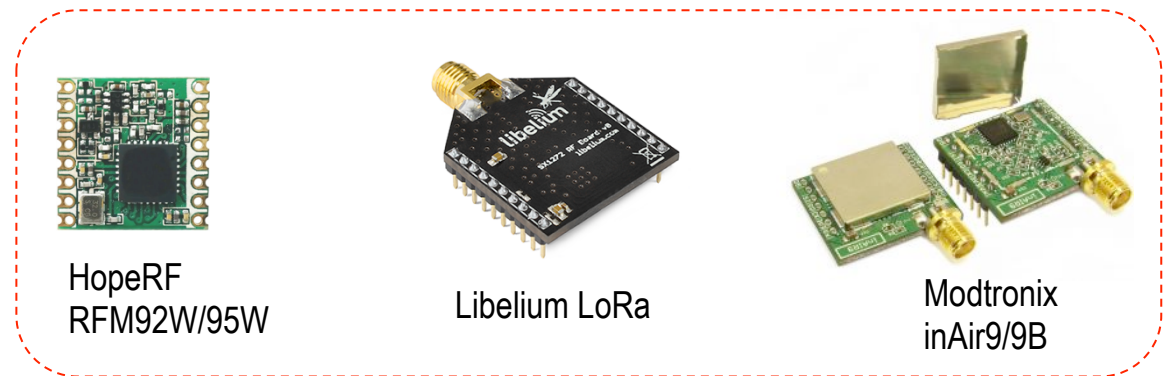




# SW/HW BUILDING BLOCKS



LoRa radios that our library already supports

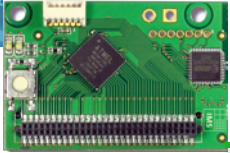
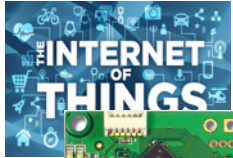


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RFM92W/95W

Libelium LoRa

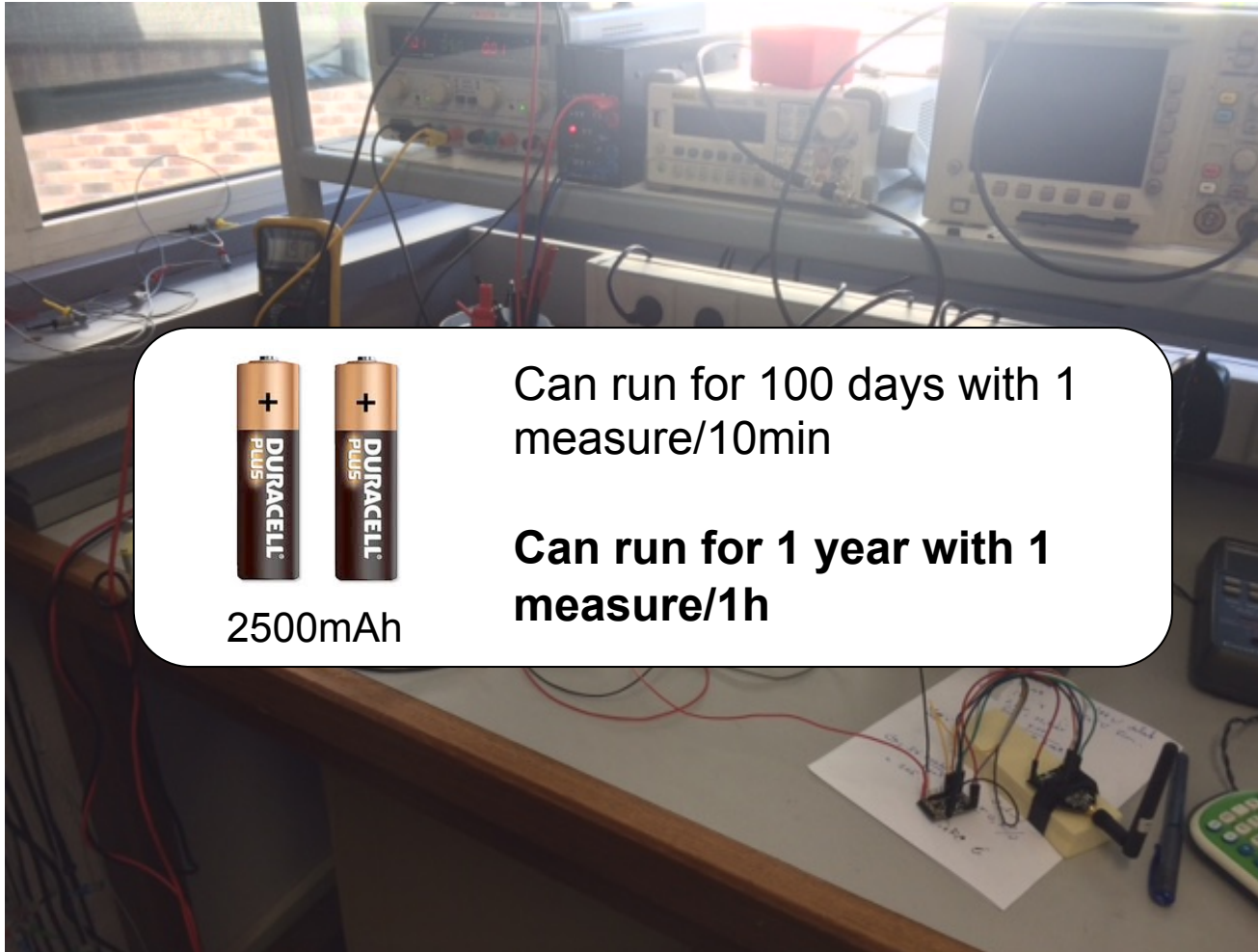
Modtronix  
inAir9/9B

Long-Range communication library  
(mostly sending functions)



# RUNNING FOR 1 YEAR

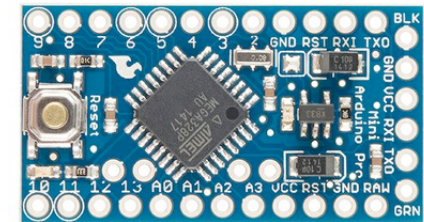
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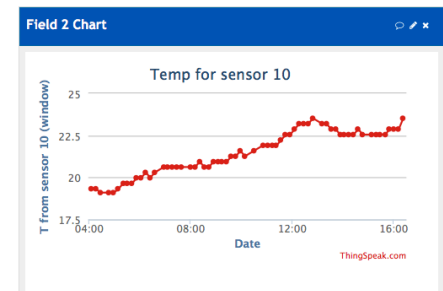
2500mAh

Can run for 100 days with 1 measure/10min

**Can run for 1 year with 1 measure/1h**



Wakes-up every 10min, take a measure (temp) and send to GW

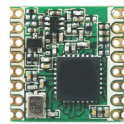
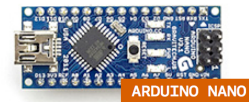
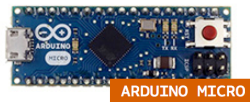
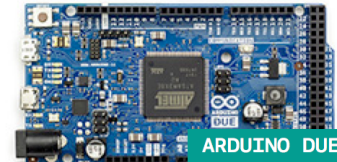
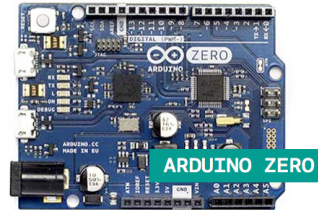
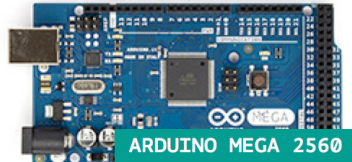


**146 $\mu$ A in deep sleep mode, 93mA when active and sending**

Thanks to T. Mesplou and P. Plouraboué for their help



# COMMUNICATION TO GATEWAY IS STRAIGHTFORWARD FOR DEVELOPERS



HopeRF  
RFM95W



Libelium LoRa



Modtronix  
inAir9/9B



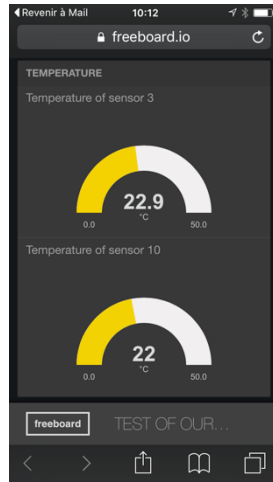
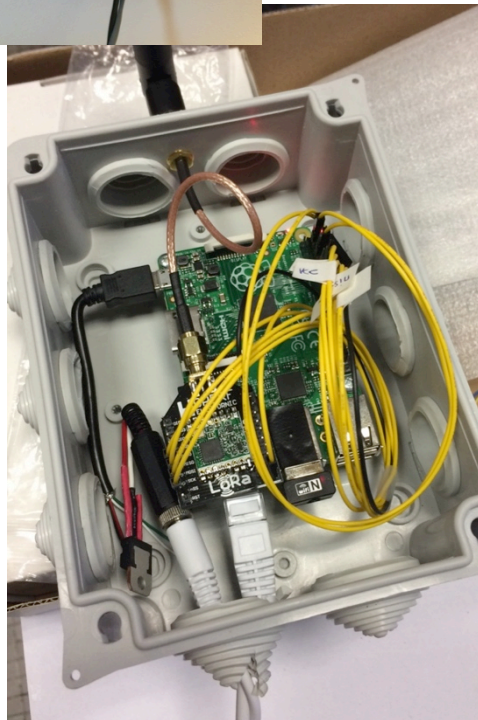
```
sendPacketTimeout(1, "18.5", 4);
// 1: sends to gateway
// 18.5 : temperature message
// 4 : message size
```

**1 send function!**

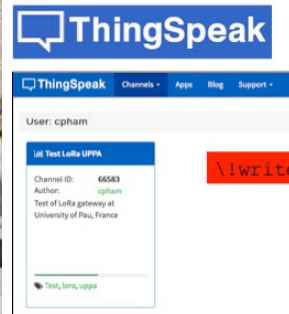




# LOW-COST LORA GATEWAY: LESS THAN 50€



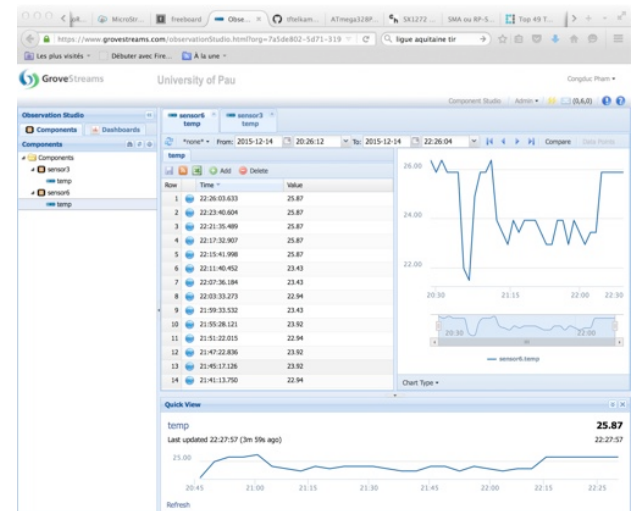
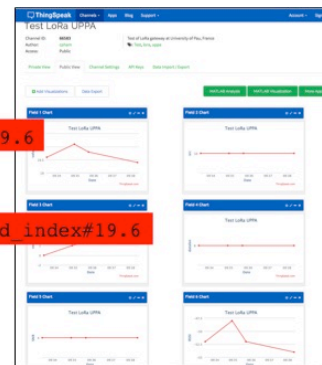
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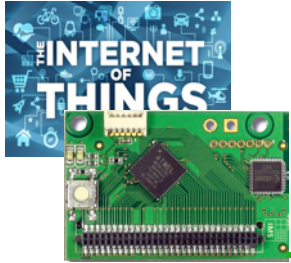


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Node 10

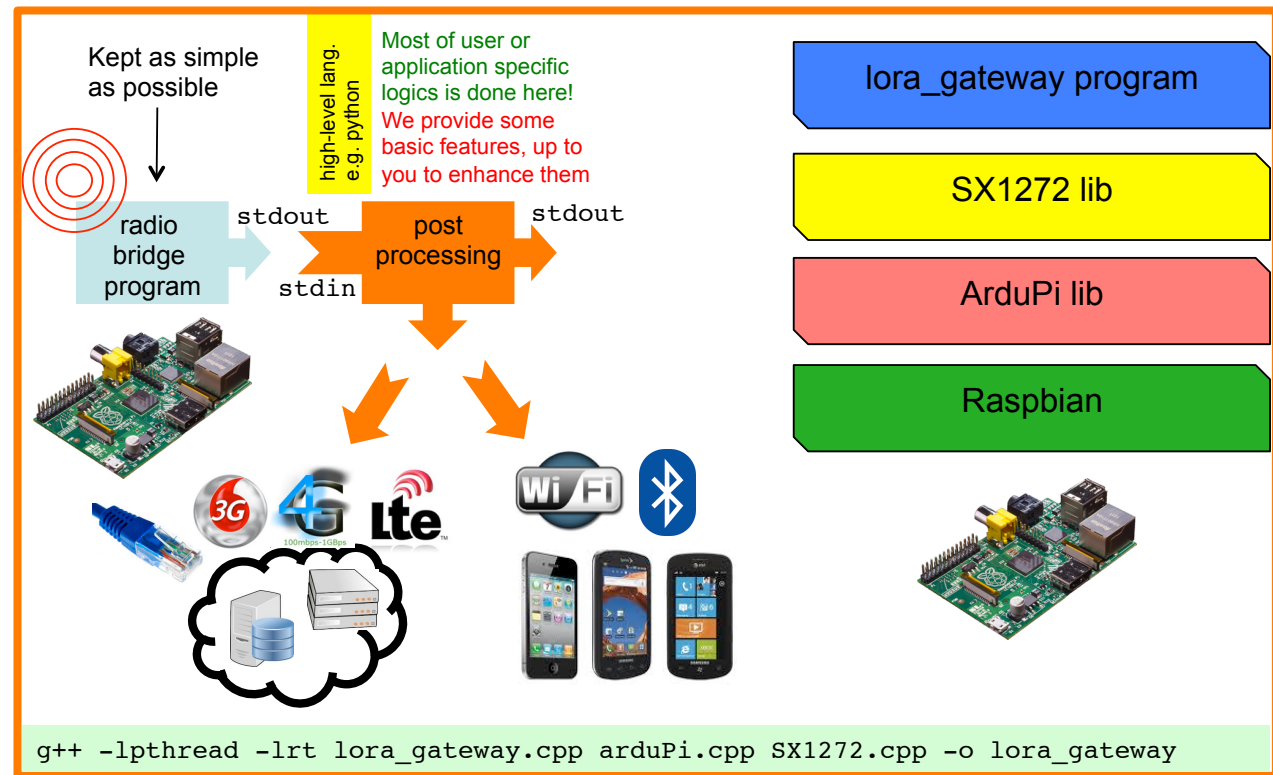
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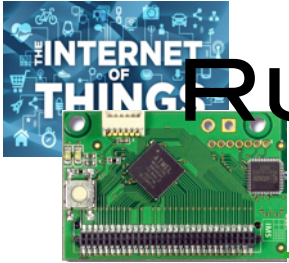


# FROM GW TO CLOUD PLATFORMS

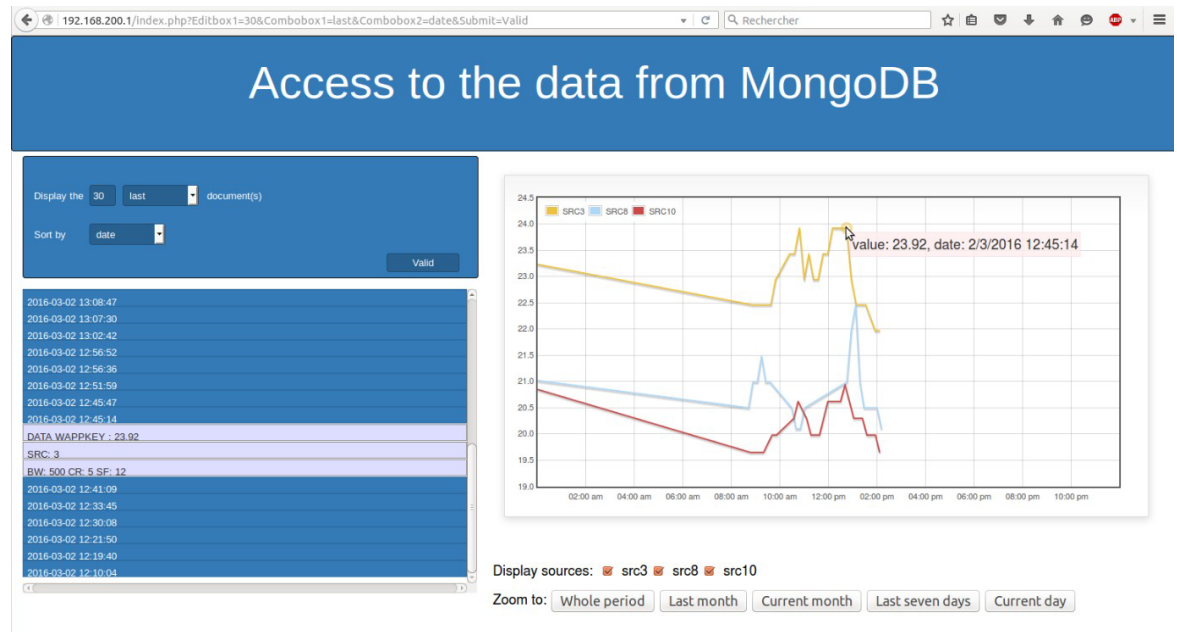
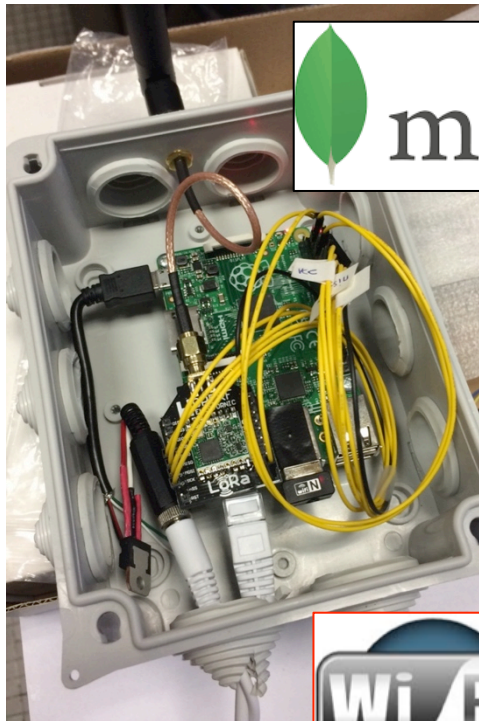
Once data is received at gateway, traditional Internet tools can be used to push data to cloud

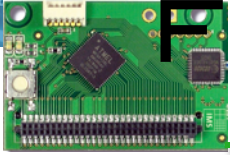
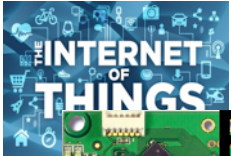


- High-level scripting language provides connectivity to any cloud platforms depending on end-user needs

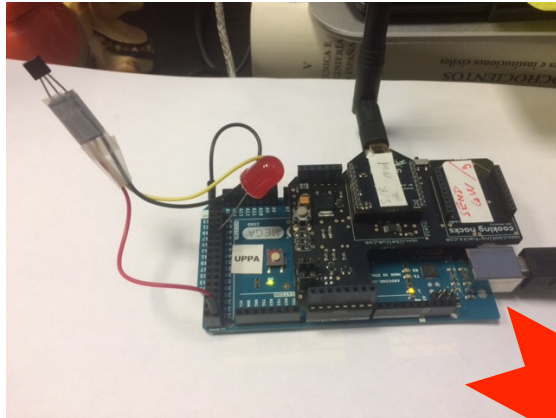


# RUNNING WITHOUT INTERNET ACCESS

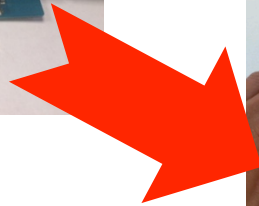




# FULL EXAMPLE IS PROVIDED



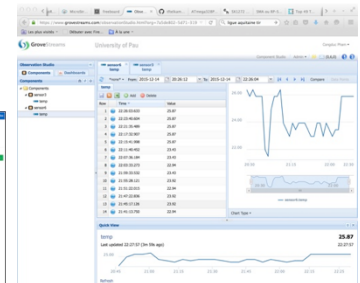
Source code available



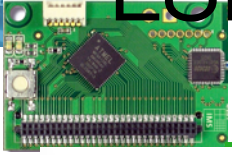
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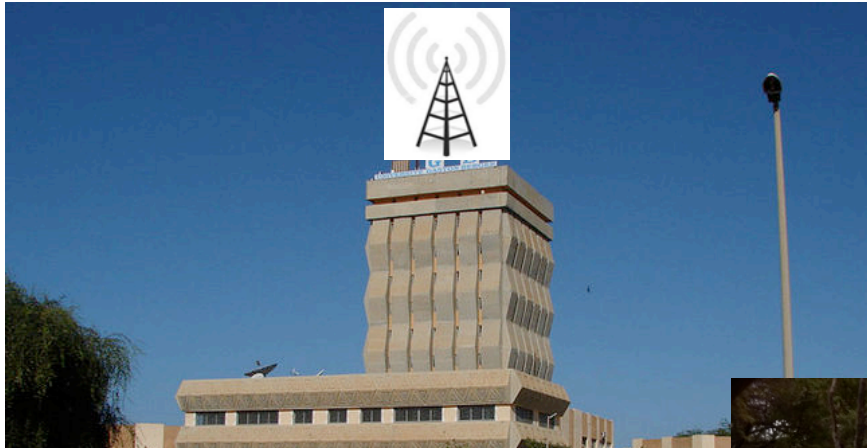
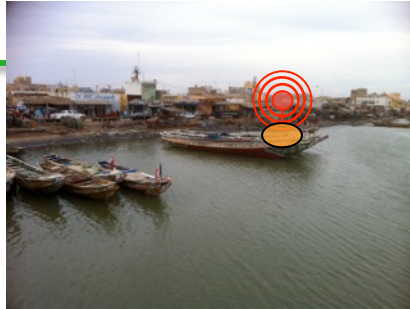
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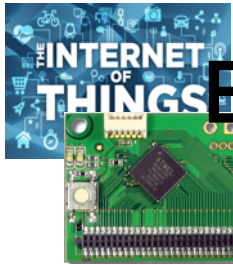


<https://github.com/CongducPham/LowCostLoRaGw>



# LONG-RANGE TEST-BED & BENCHMARK





# BUILD YOUR OWN LOW-COST TEST-BED (1)

## Interactive end-device

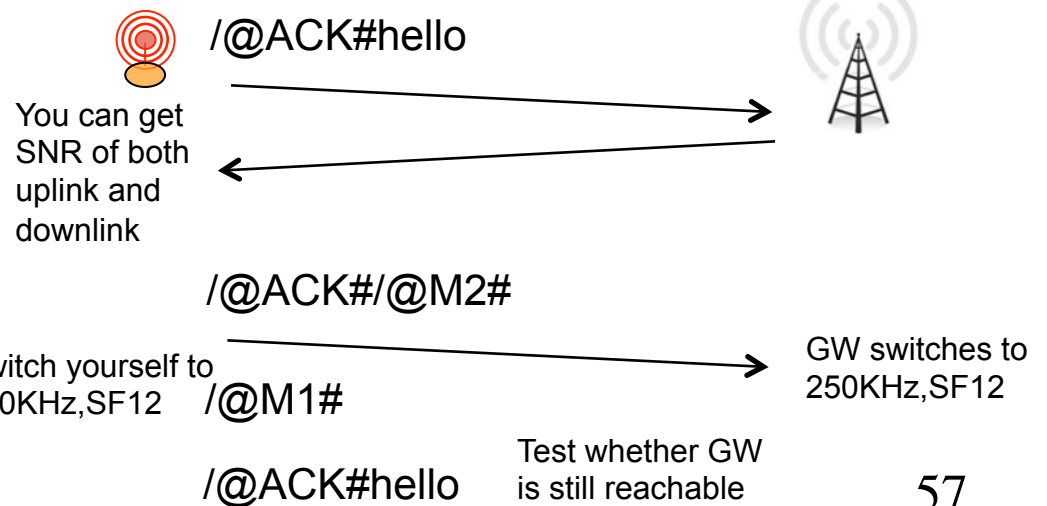
/dev/cu.usbmodemFA131 (Arduino/Genuino M

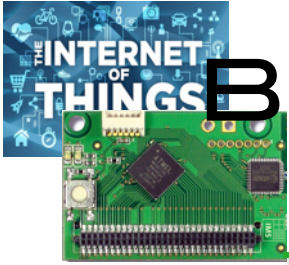
```

Hello world

6477 bytes of free memory.
SX1276 detected, starting
SX1276 LF/HF calibration
...
^$*****Power ON: state 0
^$Default sync word: 0x12
^$LoRa mode 4
^$Setting mode: state 0
^$Channel CH_10_868: state 0
^$Set LoRa Power to x
^$Power: state 0
^$Get Preamble Length: state 0
^$Preamble Length: 8
^$LoRa addr 6: state 0
^$$SX1272/76 configured as device. Waiting serial input for serial-RF bridge
Rcv serial: hello world
Sending. Length is 11
hello world
Payload size is 11
ToA is w/5B Libelium header 322
Packet number 0
LoRa Sent in 545
LoRa Sent w/CAD in 545
Packet sent, state 0
    
```

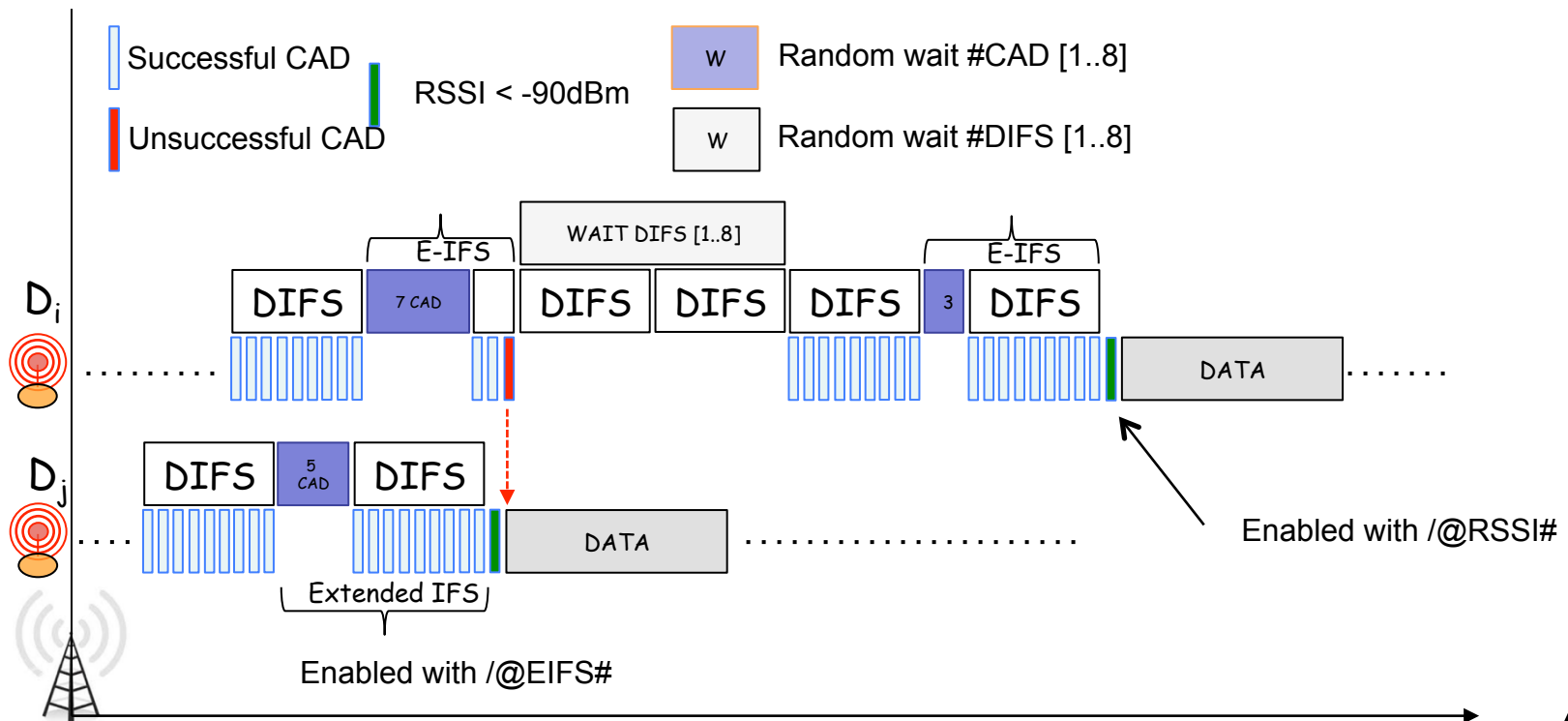
Command	Action
/@M1#	set LoRa mode 1
/@C12#	use channel 12
/@PL/H/M/x/X#	set power to Low, High, Max, extreme (PA_BOOST), eXtreme (+20dBm)
/@A9#	set node addr to 9
/@ACK#hello w/ac	sends "hello w/ack" and request an ACK
/@ACKON#	enables ACK (for all messages)
/@ACKOFF#	disables ACK
/@CAD#	performs an SIFS CAD, i.e. 3 or 6 CAD depending on the LoRa mode
/@CADON3#	uses 3 CAD when sending data (normally SIFS is 3 or 6 CAD, DIFS=3SIFS)
/@CADOFF#	disables CAD (IFS) when sending data
/@RSSI#	toggles checking of RSSI before transmission and after CAD
/@EIFS#	toggles for extended IFS wait
/@T5000#	send a message at regular time interval of 5000ms. Use /@T0# to disable periodic sending
/@TR5000#	send a message at random time interval between [2000, 5000]ms.
/@Z200#	sets the packet payload size to 200 for periodic sending
/@S50#	sends a 50B user payload packet filled with '#'. The real size is 55B with the protocol header
/@D56#	set the destination node to be 56, this is permanent, until the next D command
/@D56#hello	send "hello" to node 56, destination addr is only for this message
/@D1#/@M1#	send the command string "/@M1#" to node 1 (i.e. gateway)

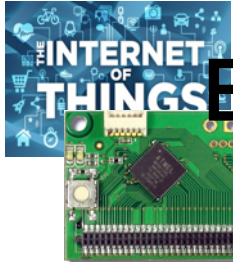




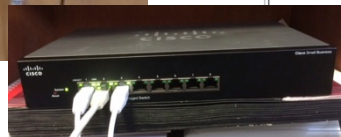
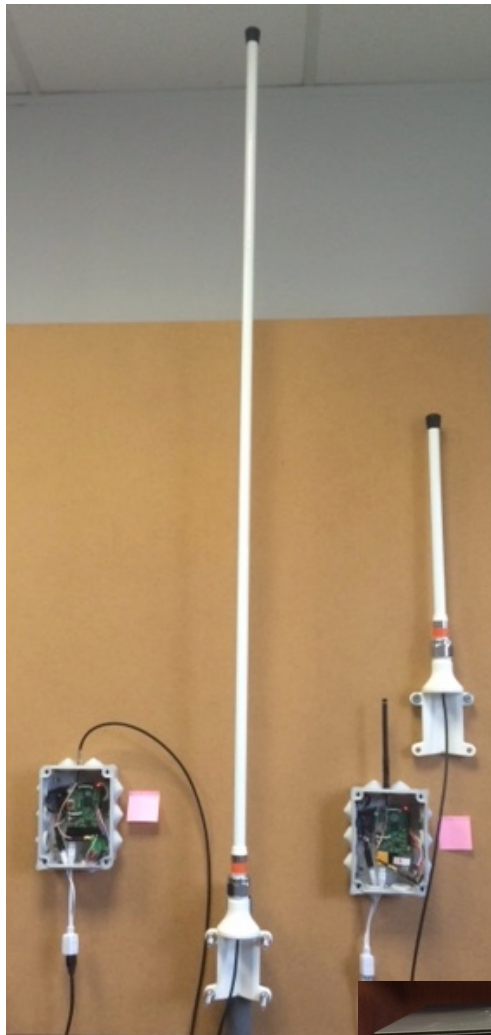
# BUILD YOUR OWN LOW-COST TEST-BED (2)







- Implement & test channel access methods
  - SIFS=xCAD; DIFS=3SIFS; set x with /@CADONx#
  - Use background traffic generator devices
  - /@T2000# or /@TR5000#



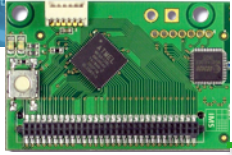


# BUILD YOUR OWN LOW-COST TEST-BED (3)



<p><b>University Gaston Berger, Saint-Louis, Senegal</b></p> <p>The gateway will be used to deploy low-cost IoT solutions in the context of the H2020 WAZIUP project.</p>	
<p><b>Easy Global Market, Nice, France</b></p> <p>The gateway will be used to deploy LoRa service for various demonstration purposes</p>	
<p>As part of the WAZIUP project, a starter kit with a gateway will be deployed at project's partner's site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Farmerline (Ghana)</li> <li>2- iSpace (Ghana)</li> <li>3- CTIC (Senegal)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>IIDRE SAS</b></p> <p>The gateway will be used to deploy LoRa service for various demonstration purposes</p>	
<p><b>Connecting Nature</b></p> <p>The gateway will be used to deploy and test LoRa-based telemetry services for various agriculture applications</p>	
<p><b>Chuck Swiger from West Virginia (US)...</b></p> <p>has a ds18b20 temp probe <a href="#">ThinkSpeak channel</a> using our gateway</p>	
<p><b>The Oceanographic Observatory of Banyuls/mer (part of University of Paris 6)</b></p> <p>The gateway will be used to deploy and test LoRa-based telemetry services for various environmental surveillance applications</p>	
<p><b>Matthew Way from New Zeland</b></p> <p>Develops great LoRa-based pest surveillance system. He is testing our solution as well as his own custom design solutions.</p>	

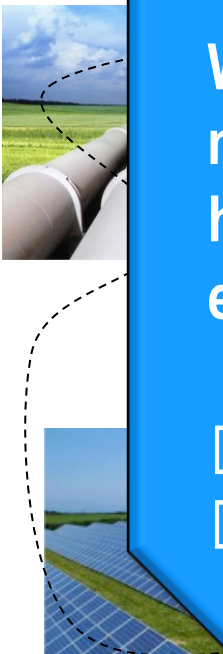




# WHAT ABOUT QUALITY OF SERVICE?

Regulations stipulate that **radio activity duty-cycle should be enforced at devices** and that end-users should not be able to modify it « easily ».

LoRaWAN specification from LoRa Alliance is a first attempt to standardize LoRa networks but **no issues on quality of service**.

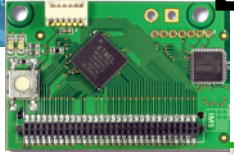


What if I still need to send more than 36s in the current hour because of an emergency situation?

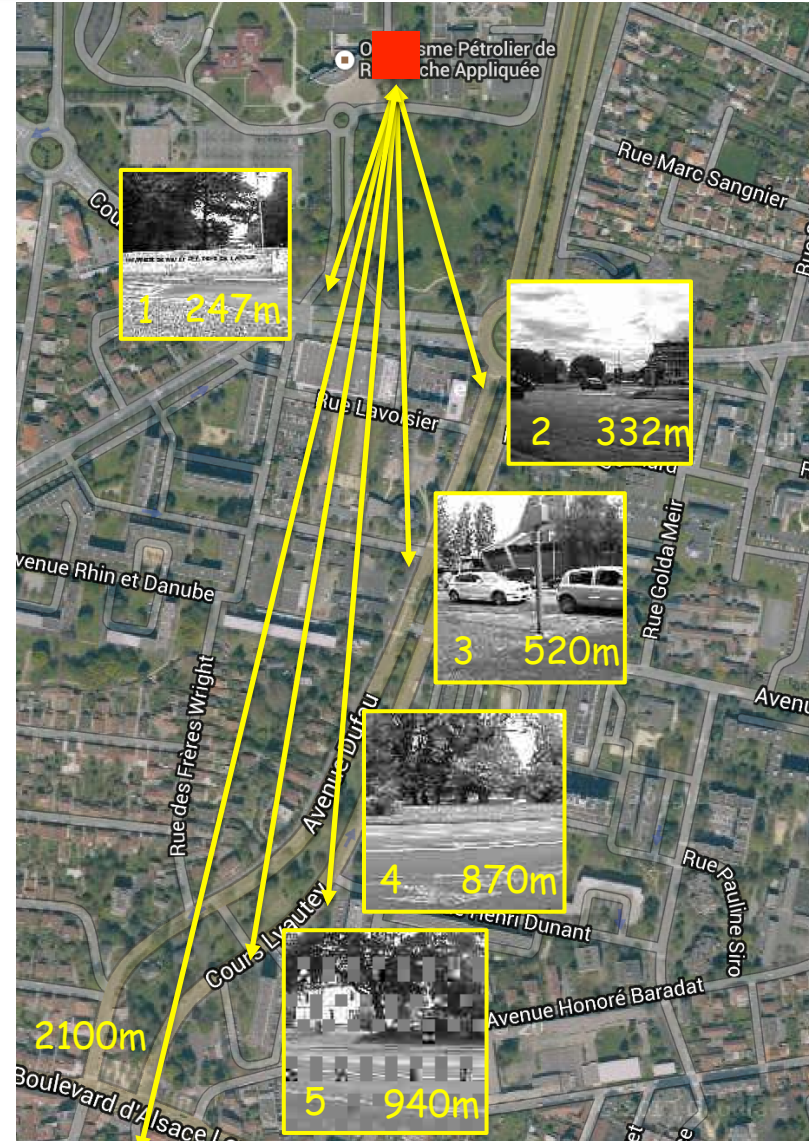
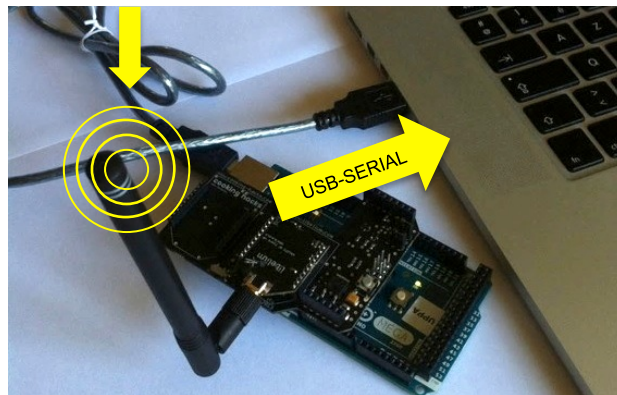
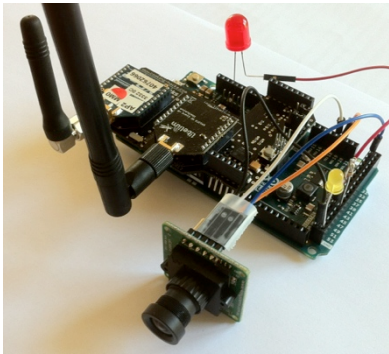
- stop transmitting?
- violate regulation?

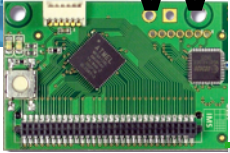
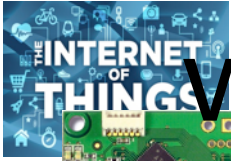
LR-BS





# LONG-RANGE VERSION OF OUR IMAGE SENSOR





# WHAT IF I WANT TO TRANSMIT IMAGES?

LoRa mode	BW	CR	SF	time on air in second for payload size of					
				5 bytes	55 bytes	105 bytes	155 Bytes	205 Bytes	255 Bytes
1	125	4/5	12	0.95846	2.59686	4.23526	5.87366	7.51206	9.15046
2	250	4/5	12	0.47923	1.21651	1.87187	2.52723	3.26451	3.91987
3	125	4/5	10	0.28058	0.69018	1.09978	1.50938	1.91898	2.32858
4	500	4/5	12	0.23962	0.60826	0.93594	1.26362	1.63226	1.95994
5	250	4/5	10	0.14029	0.34509	0.54989	0.75469	0.95949	1.16429
6	500	4/5	11	0.11981	0.30413	0.50893	0.69325	0.87757	1.06189
7	250	4/5	9	0.07014	0.18278	0.29542	0.40806	0.5207	0.63334
8	500	4/5	9	0.03507	0.09139	0.14771	0.20403	0.26035	0.31667
9	500	4/5	8	0.01754	0.05082	0.08154	0.11482	0.14554	0.17882
10	500	4/5	7	0.00877	0.02797	0.04589	0.06381	0.08301	0.10093



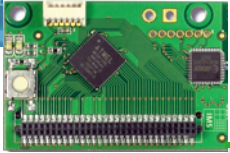
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Will generate 7 pkts using 250 max payload



$$7 * 9.15 = 64.05s$$

$$7 * 1.96 = 13.72s$$



# DEPLOYING YOUR LORA NETWORK

## OPERATOR-BASED APPROACH (WITH SUBSCRIPTION)



Whatever the deployment approach, the gateway knows how many devices are deployed by a given organization

Our proposition is to view all device' activity time in a global manner, with the gateway taking care of radio time usage consistency

## PRIVATELY-BASED APPROACH

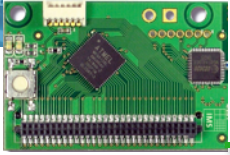


Multitech Conduit

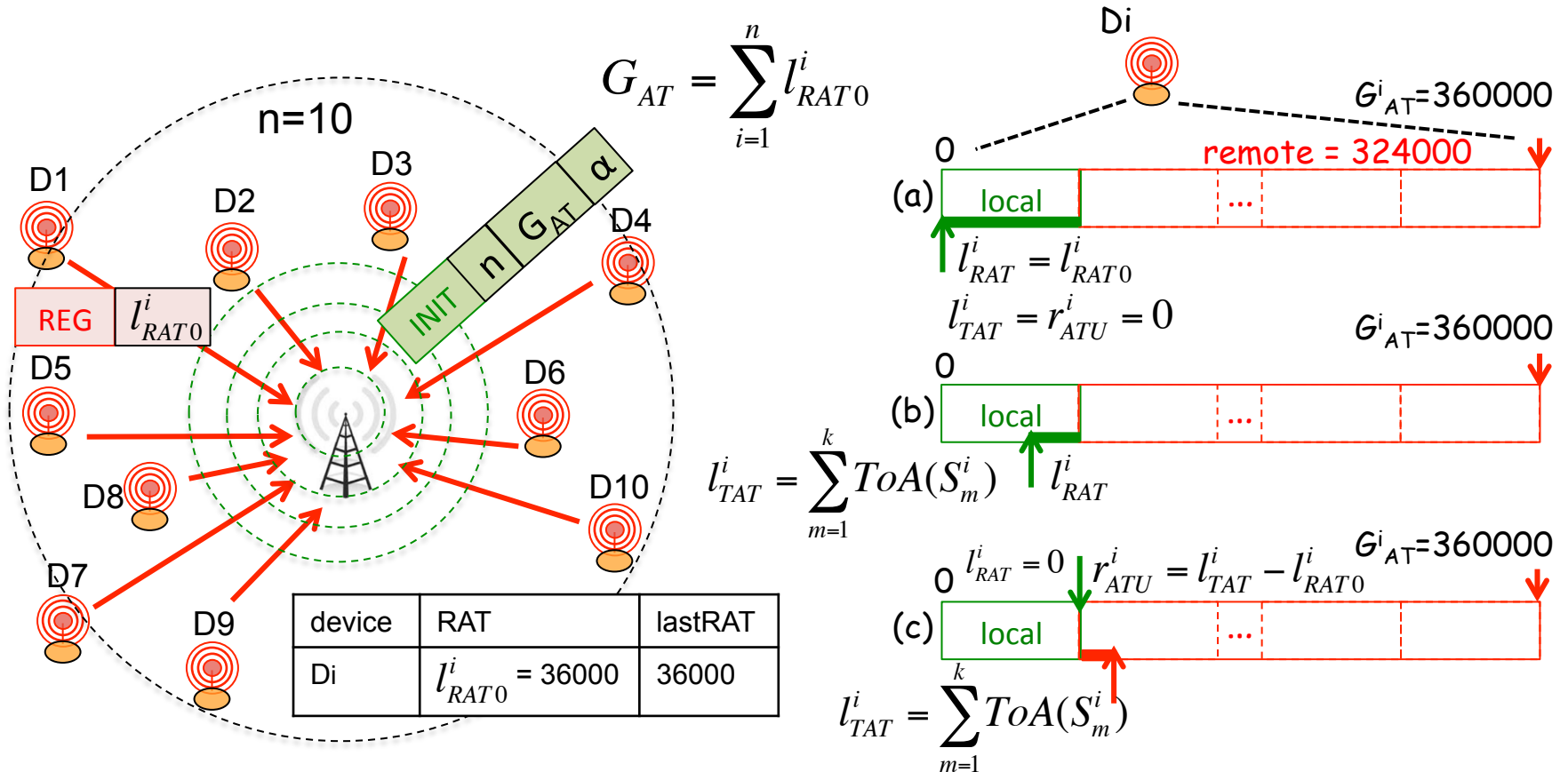
Our low-cost gateway



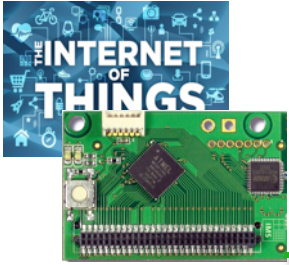
IoT Station



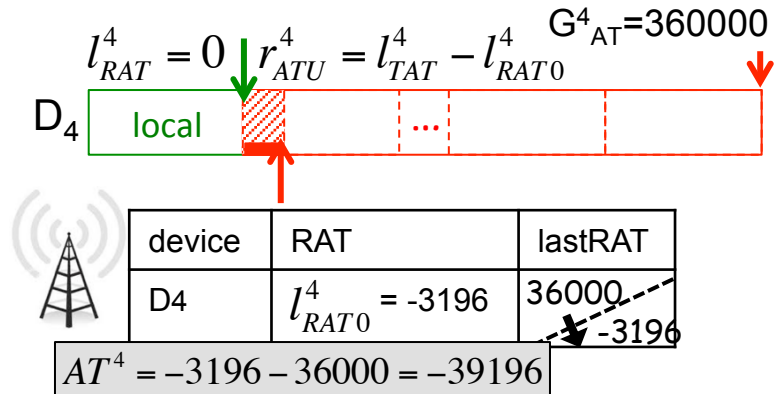
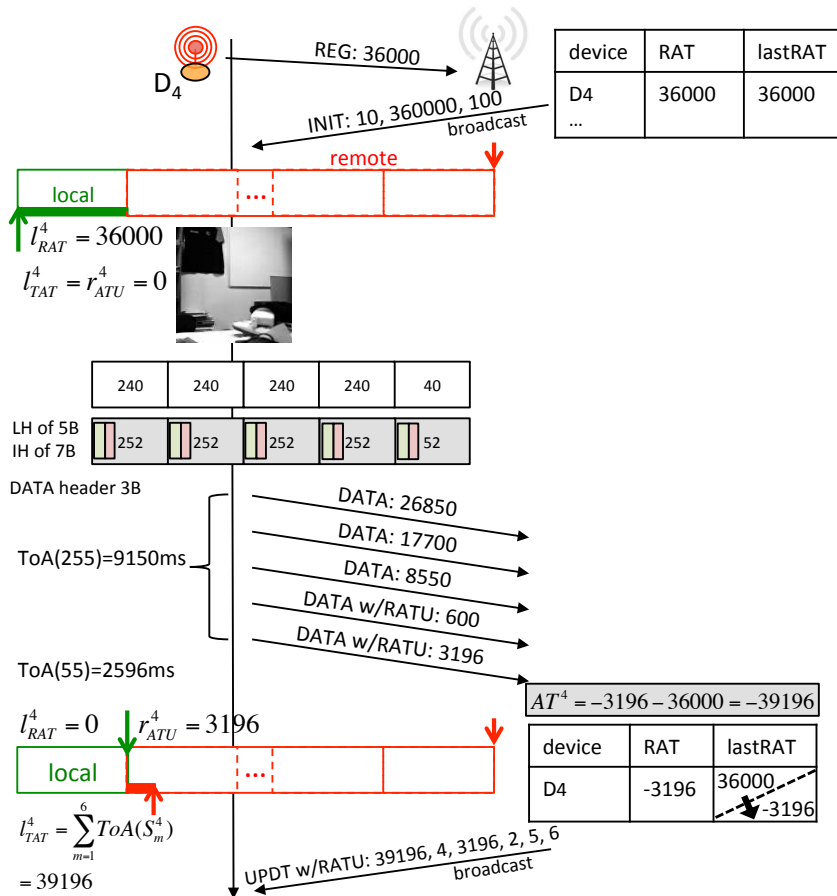
# LONG-RANGE ACTIVITY SHARING (LAS)



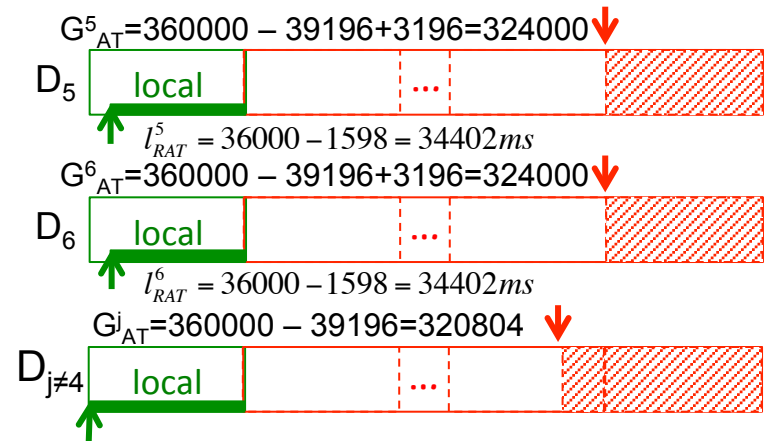
A device can transmit more if needed, provided that other devices will decrease their radio activity time accordingly.

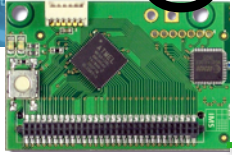


# DISTRIBUTING REMOTE ACTIVITY TIME USAGE



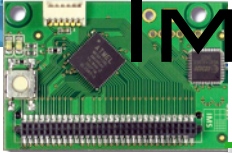
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# OTHER ISSUES TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT

- ❑ Minimise the number of UPDT messages sent by the gateway because the gateway's radio time is also limited
  - ❑ UPDT can have cumulative behavior if no remote activity time has been used
- ❑ Support sleep periods of end-devices
  - ❑ The network is synchronized for control messages (REG, INIT, UPDT). UPDT msg that can not use cumulative behavior are queued for transmission at next transmission slot. At rcv, UPDT have to be applied sequentially.
- ❑ Maintain (loose) synchronization
  - ❑ If no UDPT are scheduled, the gateway periodically sends a BEACON. Clock drift is limited to a BEACON period
- ❑ Dynamic insertion of new end-devices
  - ❑ New devices can either stay out of the managed pool (then only 36s of activity time/h is allowed), or join by waiting for the next UPDT/BEACON msg
  - ❑ Every hour, end-devices decide if they want to join the pool or not
- ❑ Give priority to control msg
  - ❑ SIFS/DIFS mechanism are implemented using LoRa Channel Activity Detection
- ❑ Avoid interleaving of several image transmissions
  - ❑ Use DIFS for first image packet, then SIFS
- ❑ Improve LoRa network efficiency
  - ❑ Move from pure ALOHA to CSMA mechanism with CAD+RSSI tests prior to any transmission



# IMPLEMENTATION AVAILABLE



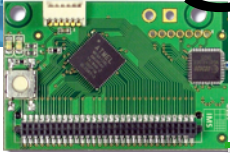
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pi@raspberr... x pi@raspberr... x
pi@raspberrypi ~$ python ./parseLoRaStdin.py
Power ON: state ...
0
LoRa mode: state 0
Channel CH_10_868: state 0
Power M: state 0
Get Preamble Length: state 0
Preamble Length: 8
LoRa addr 1 : state 0
SX1272 configured as LR-BS. Waiting RF input for transparent RF-serial bridge
%LASBase::ON
%LAS::ON
%LASBase::clear dev table
----- Rcv from LoRa. src=10 seq=7 len=10 SNR=7 RSSIpkt=-62
rcv ctrl pkt info: 10,7,10,7,-62

splitted in: [10, 7, 10, 7, -62]
(src=10 seq=7 len=10 SNR=7 RSSI=-62)
%LASBase::rcv LAS message
%LASBase::LAS payload size is 10
%LASBase::DATA msg
%LASBase::process DATA msg from 10
%LASBase::advertised lrat is 33301
%LASBase::dev_table index 0
%LASBase::can find device
hello
```

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Kcv serial: hello
Sending. Length is 5
hello
LASDevice::Payload size is 15
LASDevice::ToA is 322
LASDevice::alpha*gat is 36000
LASDevice::_lrat is 2699
LASDevice::_lrat is 33301
LASDevice::sending w/LP
LAS::CAD duration 138
LAS::CAD OK1
--> waiting for 6 CAD = 96
--> CAD duration 138
LAS::CAD OK2
LAS::check RSSI
--> RSSI -114
LASDevice::LoRa Sent in 541
LASDevice::LoRa Sent w/CAD in 916
Packet sent, state 0
```







# SENDING MESSAGE UNDER LAS SERVICES

```
pi@raspberr... x pi@raspberr... x
----- Rcv from LoRa. src=10 seq=8 len=5 SNR=7 RSSIpkt=-55
rcv_ctrl_pkt_info: 10,8,5,7,-55

splitted in: [10, 8, 5, 7, -55]
%LASBase::rcv LAS message
%LASBase::LAS payload size is 5
%LASBase::REG msg
%LASBase::process REG msg from 10
%LASBase::advertised lrat0 is 36000
%LASBase::dev_table index 0
%LASBase::added in dev_table
%LASBase::_n_d is 1

----- Rcv from LoRa. src=10 seq=9 len=10 SNR=9 RSSIpkt=-53
rcv_ctrl_pkt_info: 10,9,10,9,-53

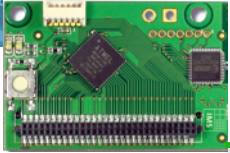
splitted in: [10, 9, 10, 9, -53]
(src=10 seq=9 len=10 SNR=9 RSSI=-53)
%LASBase::rcv LAS message
%LASBase::LAS payload size is 10
%LASBase::DATA msg
%LASBase::process DATA msg from 10
%LASBase::advertised lrat is 32979
%LASBase::dev_table index 0
%LASBase::data length is 10
%LASBase::computes ToA on 15B is 322
%LASBase::mismatched lrat, update
%LASBase::w/LP
%LASBase::send UPDT with 3021,10
%LASBase::Payload size is 11
%LASBase::ToA is 281
%LASBase::toa control disabled
%LAS::CAD duration 66
%LAS::CAD OK1
%LAS::check RSSI
--> RSSI -100
hello
```



```
Rcv serial: /@REG#
c Parsing command
pi Send LAS REG msg
LASDevice::REG with 36000
LASDevice::Payload size is 10
LASDevice::ToA is 281
o LASDevice::disabled
ec LAS::CAD duration 46
LAS::CAD OK1
LAS::check RSSI
--> RSSI -115
-c LASDevice::LoRa Sent in 499
LASDevice::LoRa Sent w/CAD in 546
```

```
hello
LASDevice::Payload size is 15
LASDevice::ToA is 322
LASDevice::alpha*gat is 36000
LASDevice::_ltat is 3021
LASDevice::_lrat is 32979
LASDevice::sending w/LP
o LAS::CAD duration 138
LAS::CAD OK1
ec --> waiting for 6 CAD = 96
--> CAD duration 138
LAS::CAD OK2
LAS::check RSSI
ec --> RSSI -115
LASDevice::LoRa Sent in 541
LASDevice::LoRa Sent w/CAD in 915
LASDevice::Packet sent, state 0
LASDevice::Rcv from LoRa. src=1 seq=0 len=6 SNR=8
^1,0,6,8,-55

LASDevice::rcv LAS message
LASDevice::UPDT msg
LASDevice::process UPDT msg 4426617
LASDevice::AT is 3021
LASDevice::Di is 10
LASDevice::nothing to be done
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# CONCLUSIONS

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- ❑ Low-power, long-range (LR) transmission is a break-through technology for IoT and large-scale deployment of wireless (sensor) devices
- ❑ With a large variety of applications, products & actors the low-power WAN (LPWAN) eco-system is becoming mature
- ❑ New technologies will certainly emerge but the LPWAN « philosophy » is now settled firmly: out-of-the-box connectivity is now the standard and multi-hop scenarios based on short-range technologies is questionable.