

# RETOUR D'EXPÉRIENCE SUR LE DÉPLOIEMENT AD-HOC DE SOLUTIONS LORA POUR DES APPLICATIONS RURALES

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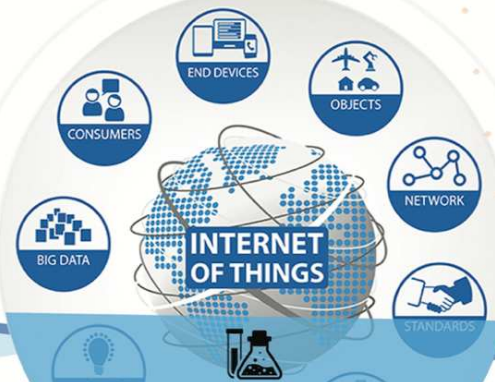




# WAZIUP Open IoT and Big data platform for Africans, by Africans



  
**Affordable technologies  
to empower rural economies**



**INTERNET OF THINGS**  
Exploit advanced research capitalizing on IoT and Big data state-of-the art findings



  
**Develop IoT solutions and applications meeting African needs**

**DO MORE  
with LESS**

-  [www.waziup.eu](http://www.waziup.eu)
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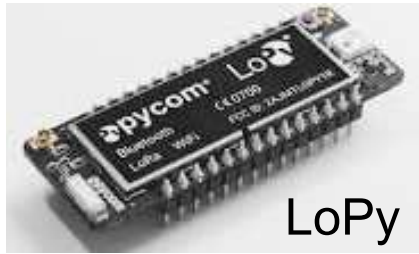
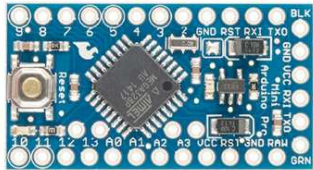
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# Low-cost IoT



Arduino Pro Mini



LoPy

<http://blog.atmel.com/2015/12/16/rewind-50-of-the-best-boards-from-2015/>

<http://blog.atmel.com/2015/04/09/25-dev-boards-to-help-you-get-started-on-your-next-iot-project/>

ATmega328P 3.3v  
8bit, 8MHz, 32K flash, 2K RAM



Theairboard



LinkIt Smart7688 duo



Expressif ESP32



Teensy 3.2



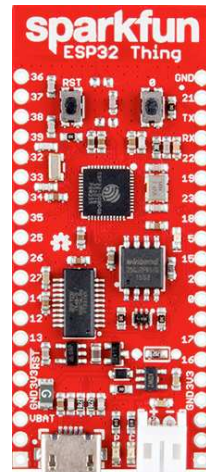
STM32 Nucleo-32



Heltec ESP32 + OLED



Adafruit Feather



Sparkfun ESP32 Thing



Tessel

SodaqOnev2



Tinyduino

# Reduce development cost & time

Moisture/  
Temperature of  
storage areas



10-15kms



Physical  
sensor



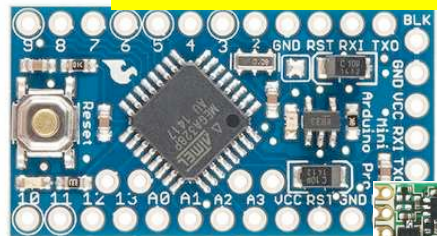
Physical  
sensor



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sensor



Physical  
sensor  
mgmt



Arduino Pro Mini @3.3V

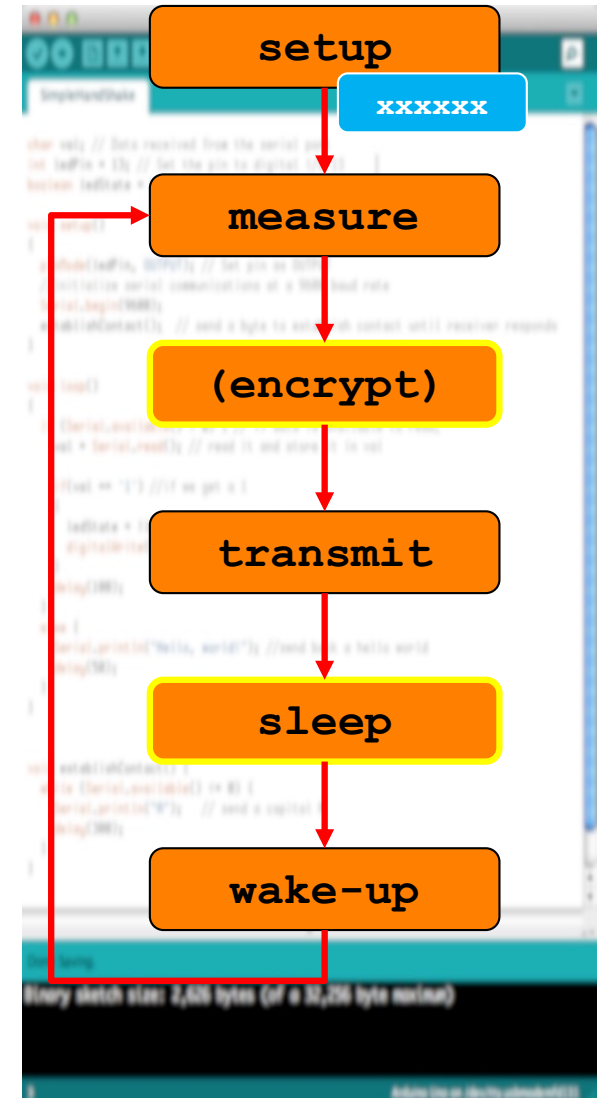
**VERY  
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Activity  
duty-cycle,  
low power

**VERY  
IMPORTANT**  
AES  
encryption

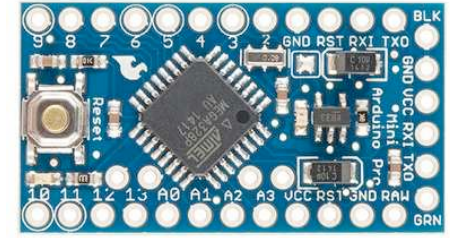
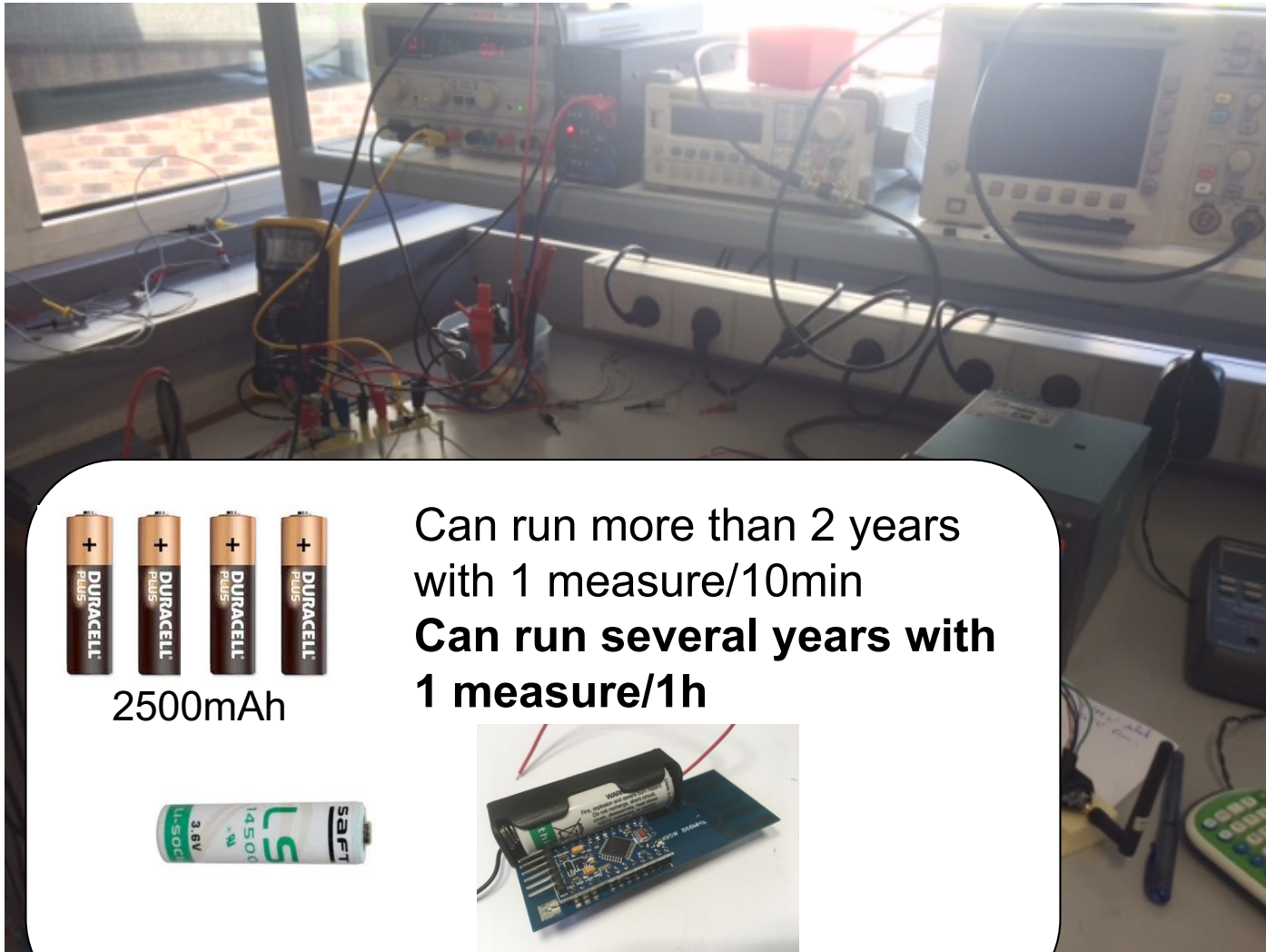
Long-range  
transmission

Logical  
sensor  
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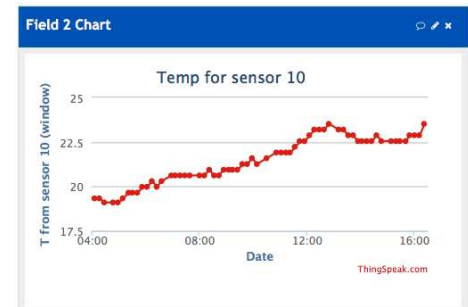




# Low-power for longer lifetime!



wakes-up every 10min, take a measure and send to GW



**5 $\mu$ A in deep sleep mode, about 40mA when active and sending!**



2500mAh

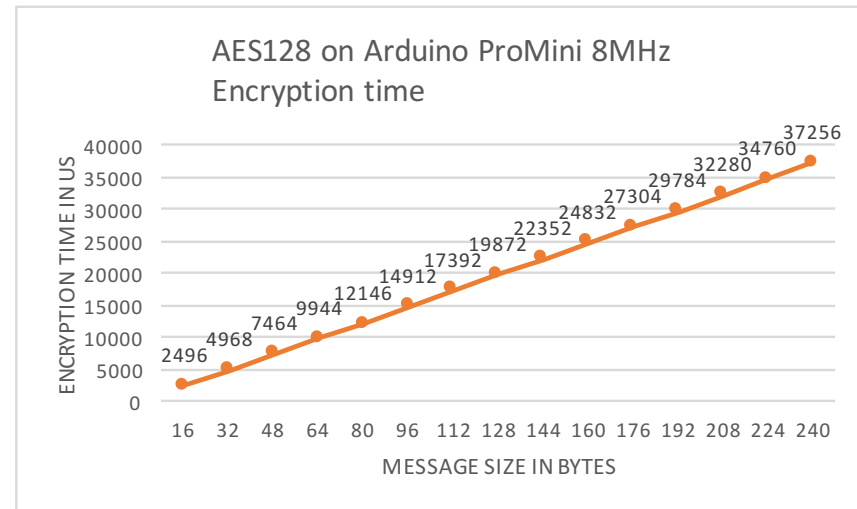
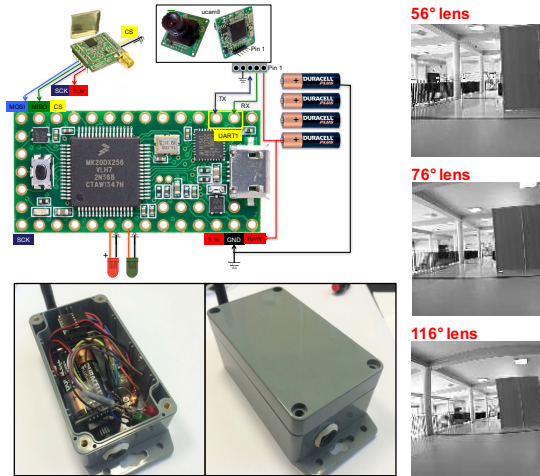
Can run more than 2 years with 1 measure/10min  
**Can run several years with 1 measure/1h**



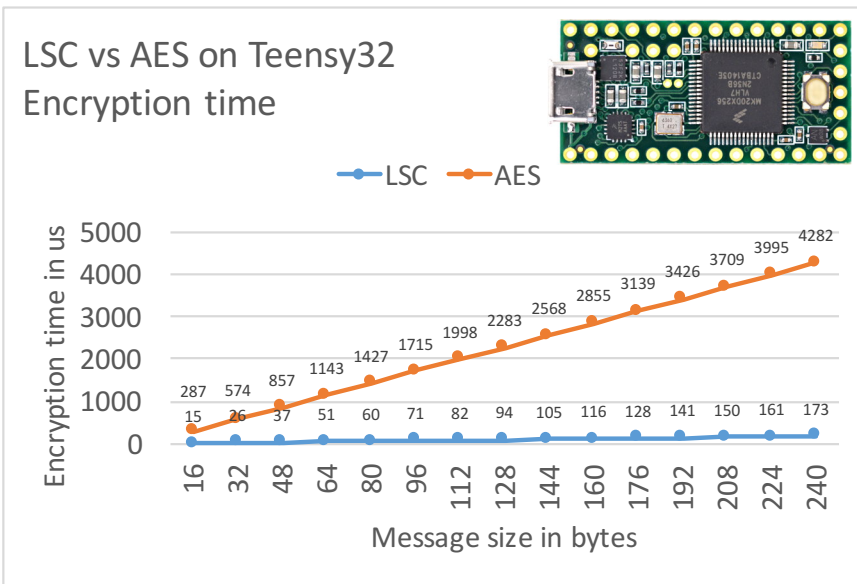
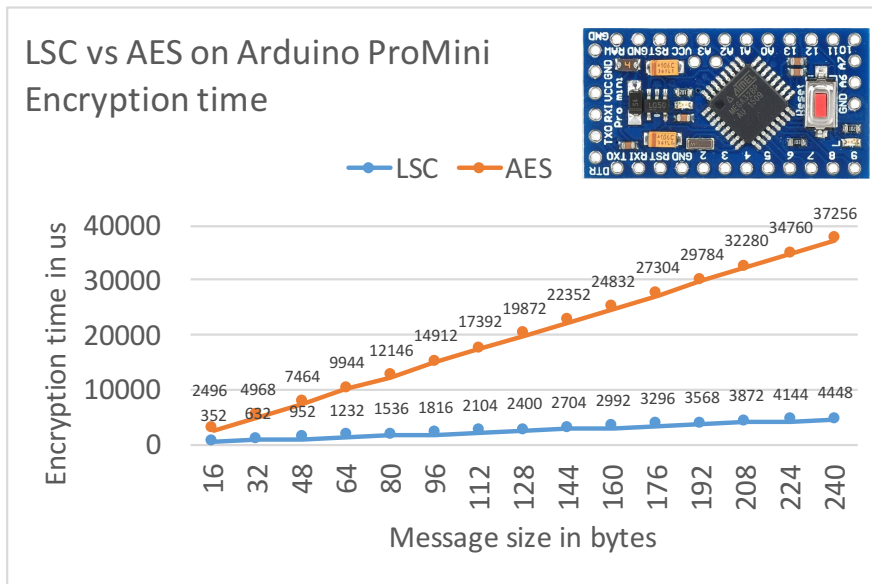
# Cost of data encryption



## □ AES128



## □ Lightweight Stream Cipher (LSC)

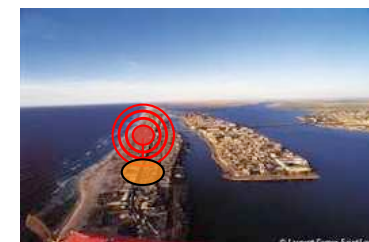
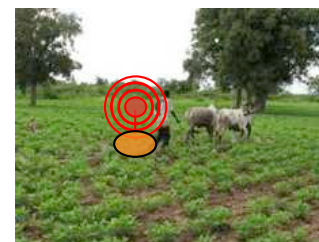
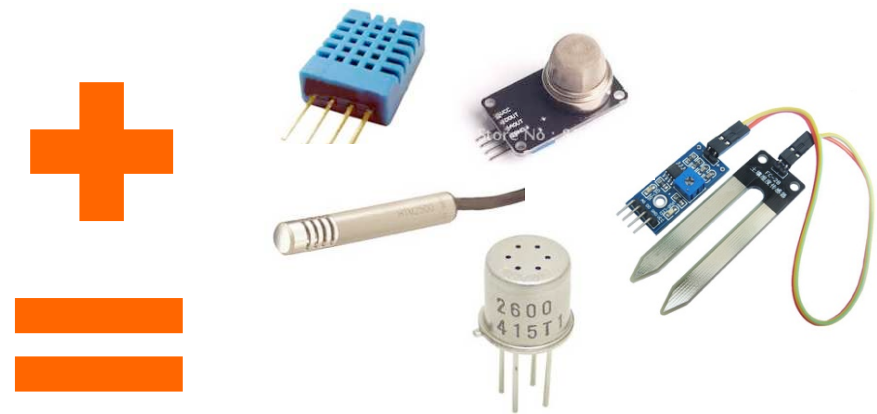
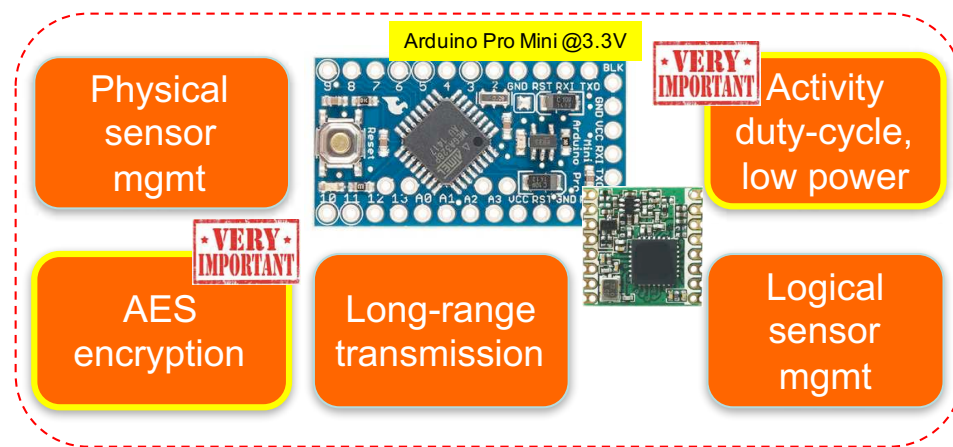




# Generic sensing IoT device v.s. Highly specialized



- ❑ Build low-cost, low-power, **long-range** enabled generic platform
- ❑ Methodology for low-cost platform design
- ❑ Technology transfers to user communities, economic actors, stakeholders,...



## HATCHERY EXPERIMENT, BURKINA FASO

- ❑ Laboratory named Laboratoire d'Études des Ressources Naturelles et des Sciences de l'Environnement (LERNSE)
- ❑ NAZI BONI University in a small village of Bobo-Dioulasso city
- ❑ Sensors are placed in a hatchery and the box is placed outside of the building



## LOW-COST BUOY FOR FISH FARMING



In Sub-Saharan Africa, the volume of natural captured fish doesn't meet half of the population demand

Increasing production of aquaculture will help reduce the quantity of imported fishes in Africa

The aim is to monitor in real-time different parameters to control water quality and prevent some diseases that could affect fish in order to improve the quality and quantity of the production

## KUMAH FARM, GHANA

- ❑ The Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST)
- ❑ Located on the campus of the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana.
- ❑ The farm comprises 30 constructed fish ponds, a farm house, a recirculating aquaculture system (RAS) laboratory and store houses.



## SANAR FARM, SENEGAL

- ❑ Farm located at less than 2 km from UGB.
- ❑ One pond is dedicated for the Waziup application : 50x25m, average depth of 0.5 meters, populated by 4000 individuals of saltwater tilapia.
- ❑ The basin is irrigated via a water supply system fed by a river in proximity.
- ❑ The water in the pond is changed every 10 days

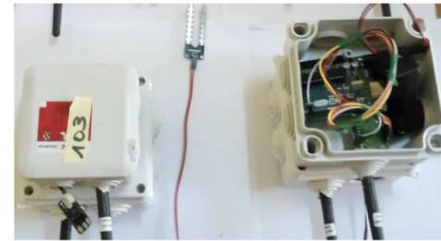




## UBG FARM, SENEGAL



## SOIL HUMIDITY SENSOR FOR AGRICULTURE



Monitoring soil moisture and other parameters to provide insightful recommendations and notifications to farmers, and advisors



## NASSO SITE, BURKINA FASO

Bananas field



Papayas solos field



Banana plant



Papaya tree

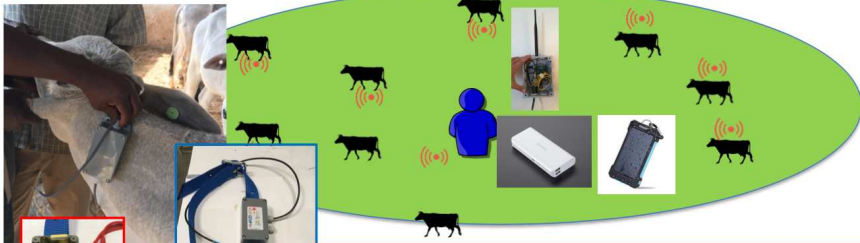


## URBANNATIC GARDENS, TOGO





## LOW-COST COLLAR FOR CATTLE RUTLING: CIMEL FARM, SENEGAL

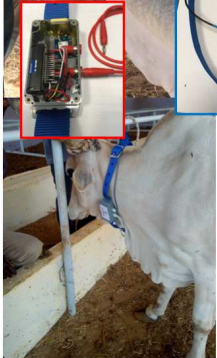


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In Africa, the practice of animal husbandry has always been and still remain farmers' livelihood and incomes

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## LOCAL WEATHER STATION FOR AGRICULTURE

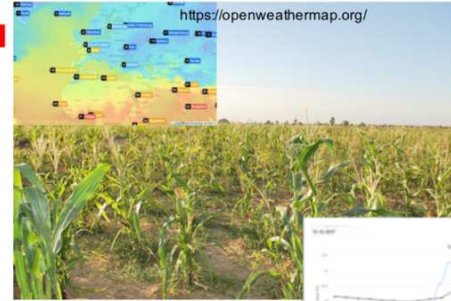
In agriculture, different factors can be monitored. Having the ability to control those factors is the key to increase the productivity.

Agriculture MVP requirements:

*Obtain and produce weather related information which will be used to advise the farmers!*

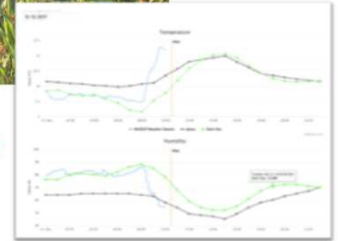


Get local weather measurements

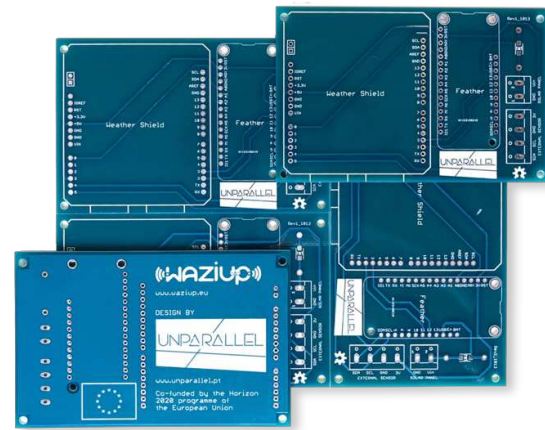
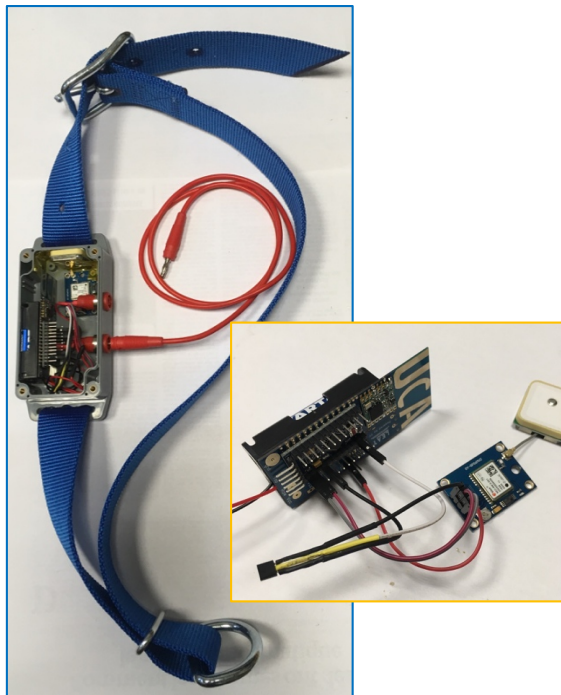


Weather Web App

Combine with open weather data to get more accurate predictions



Pilot sites: Senegal, Togo, Ghana, Burkina Faso

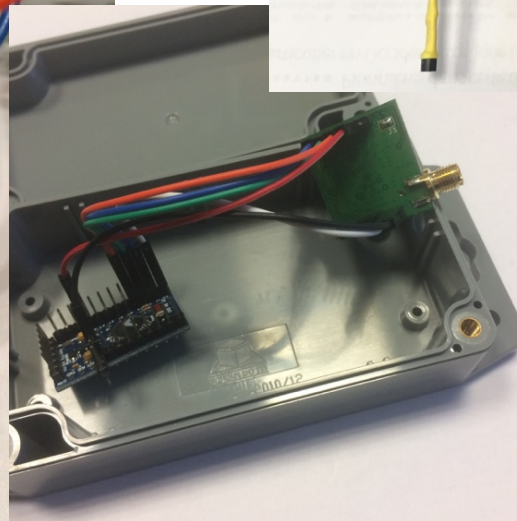
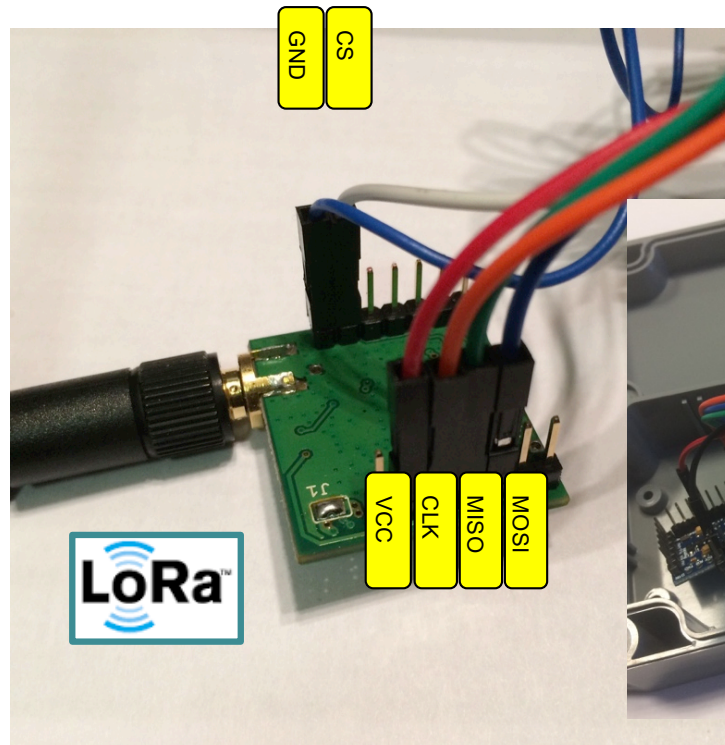
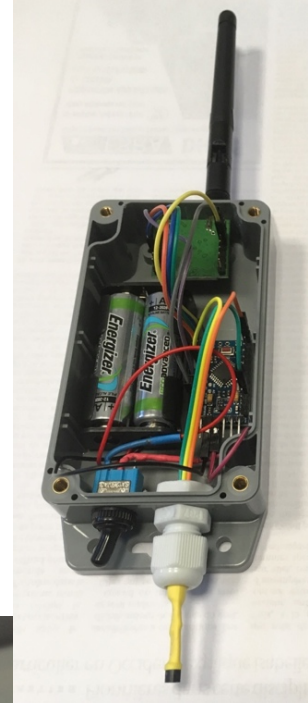
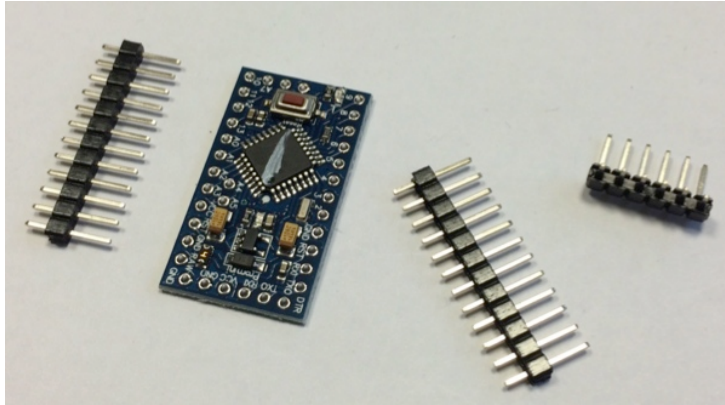


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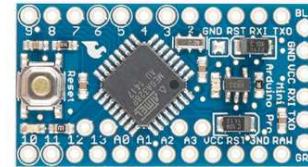
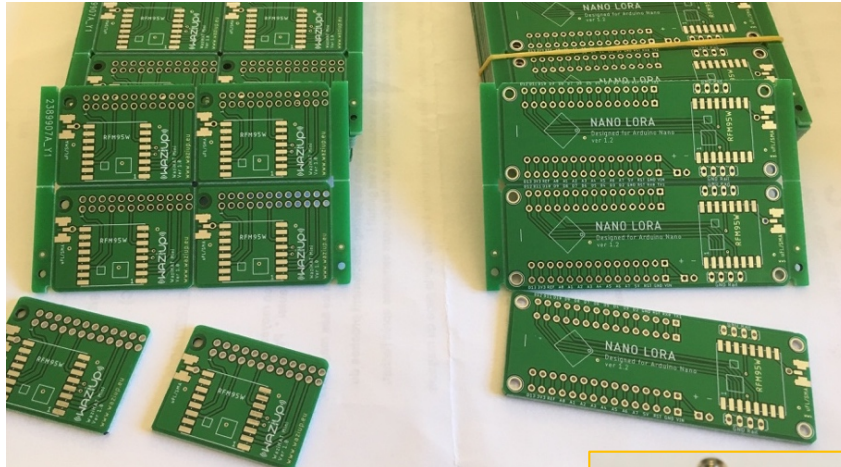


# From full Do-It-Yourself approach





# ...to simple PCB for easy integration



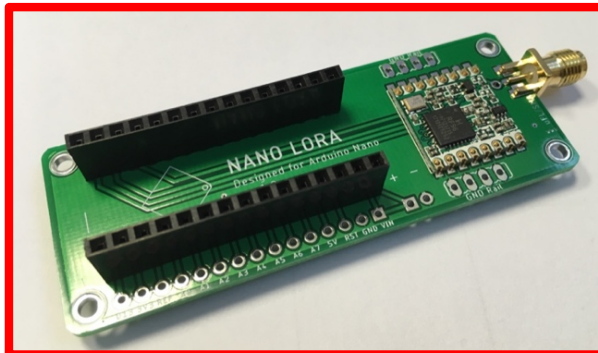
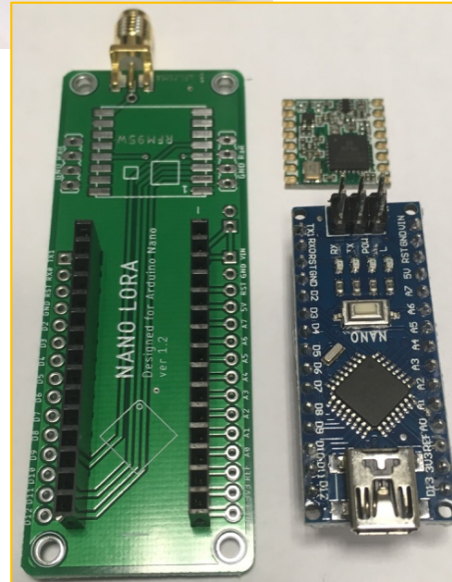
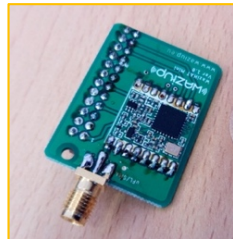
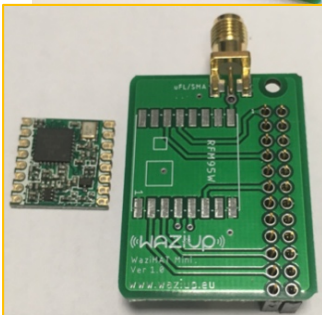
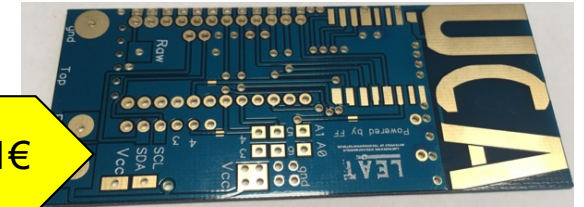
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[https://github.com/FabienFerrero/UCA\\_Board](https://github.com/FabienFerrero/UCA_Board)



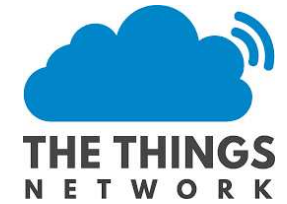
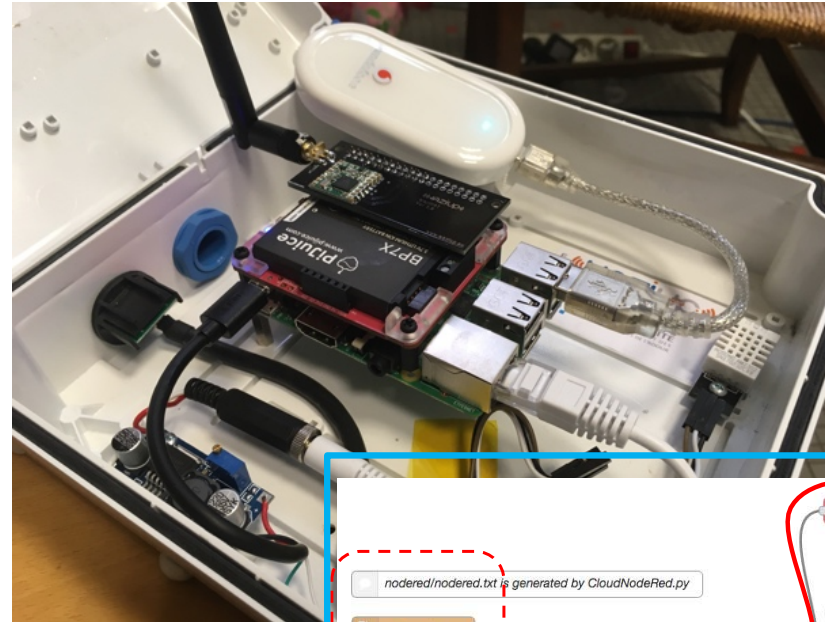
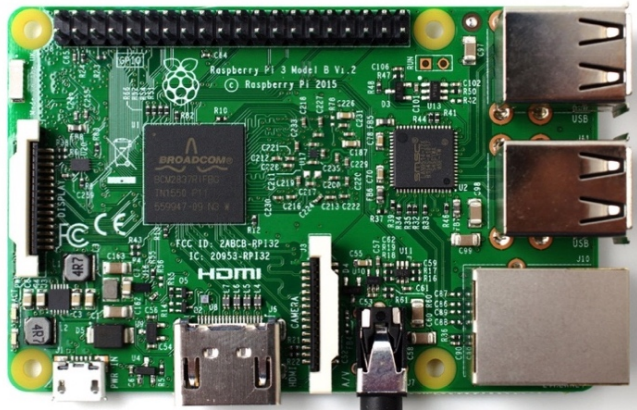
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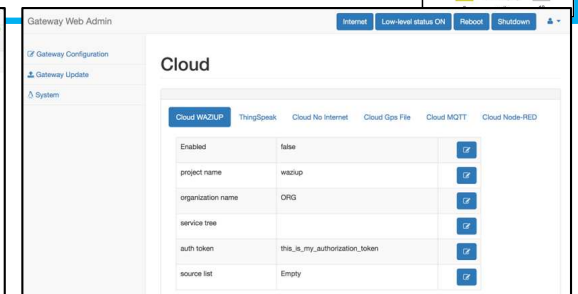
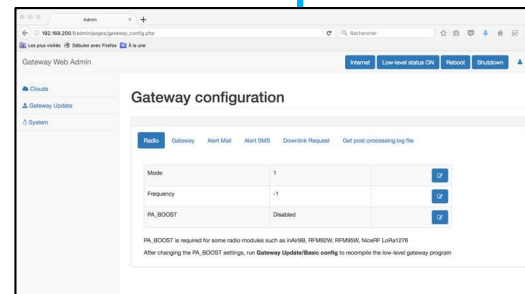
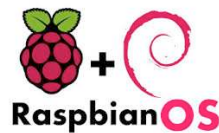
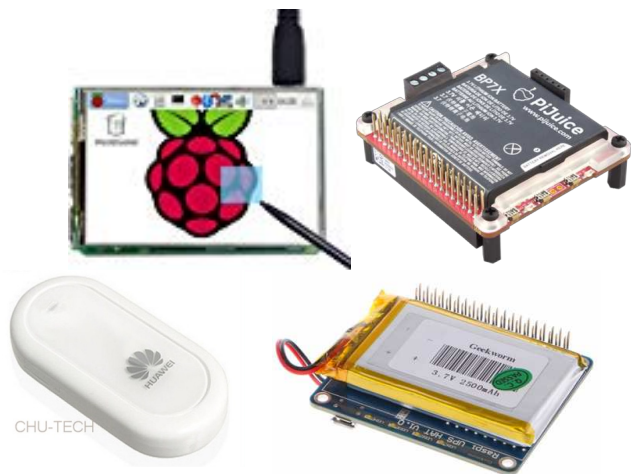
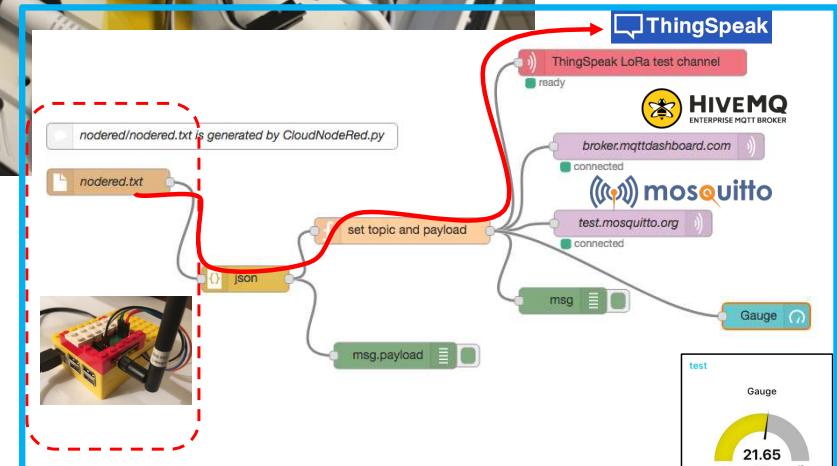




# Open, versatile IoT gateway



Raspberry Pi: lots of libraries, lots of software, lots of hardware, lots of shields,...



# Deployment in rural areas no Internet ☹️

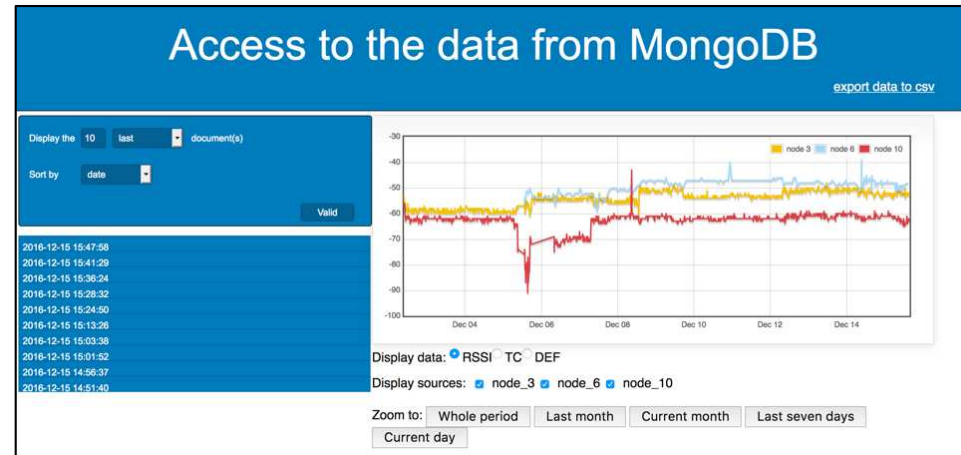
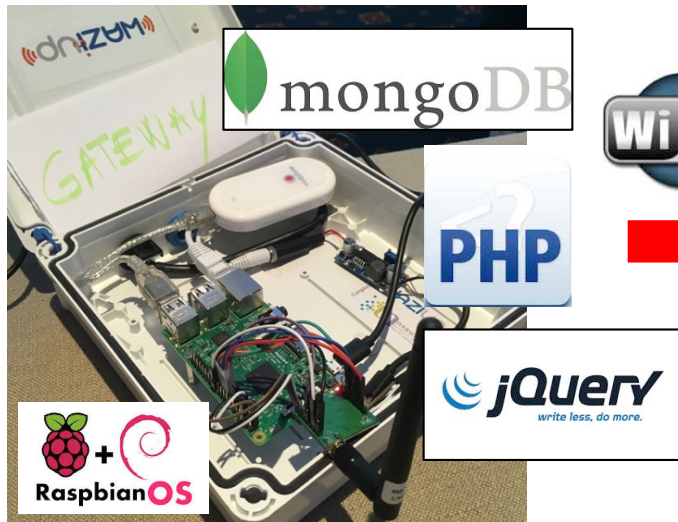


- ❑ deploying IoT in very isolated areas...
- ❑ ... where internet and electricity are not stable!





# Autonomous gateway



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### TrackerGPS

192.168.200.1:8080

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src	31
name	waziup_UPPA_Sensor31
seq	134
bc	1
fxt	4180
active	yes
snr	7
time	2019-03-02T14:59:00
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distance	0.3063
state	active

### List of devices

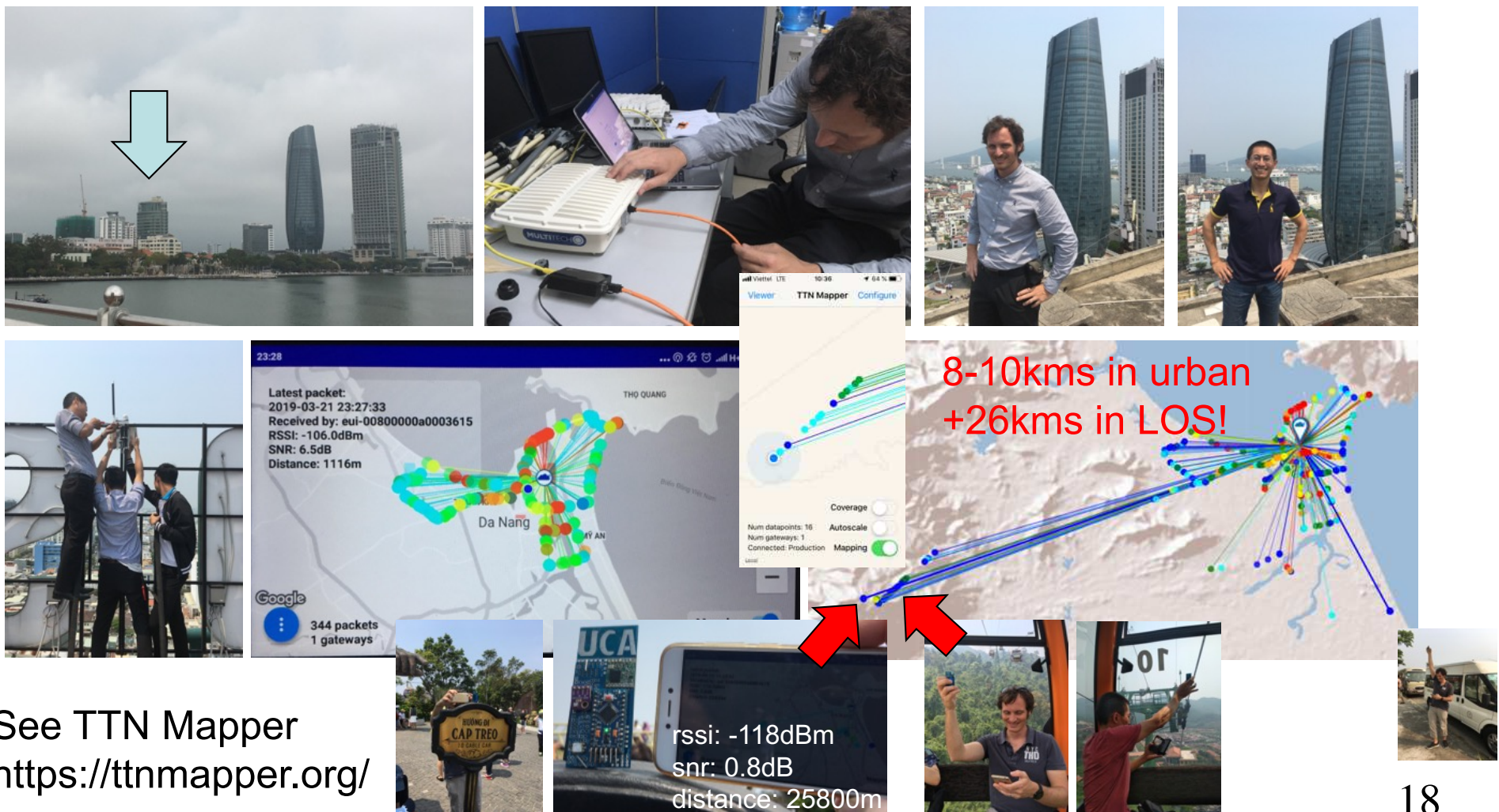
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Link to a short demo video of the collar web interface: <https://youtu.be/meFDav1SLPI>

# City environment high building=large coverage



- LoRaWAN gateway on top of DSP building by F. Ferrero (U. Nice), U. Danang and DSP team. Congrats Fabien!

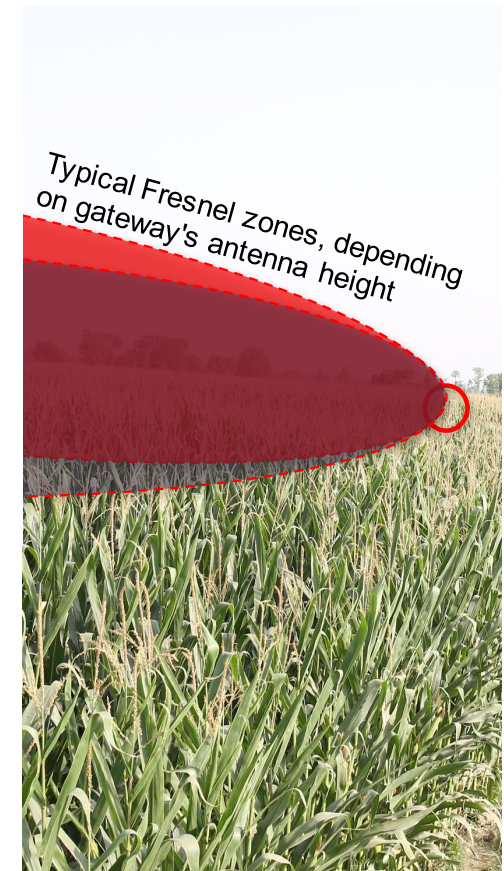


See TTN Mapper  
<https://ttnmapper.org/>



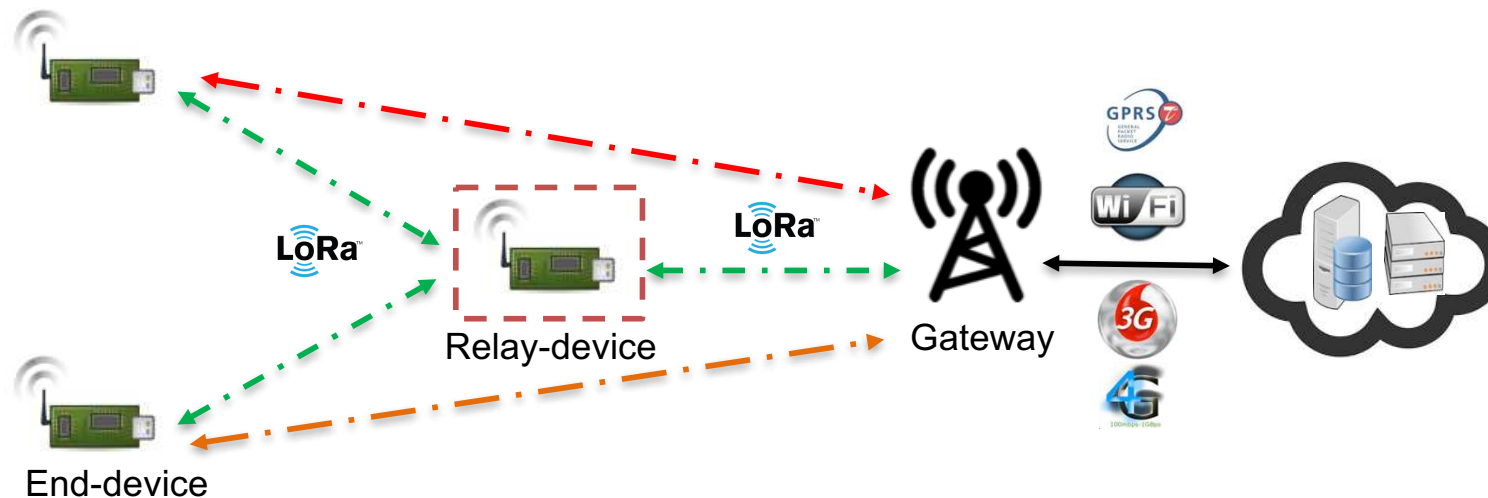
# Deployment in rural areas no high building ☹️

- ❑ Expected range: about 2-4kms
- ❑ 1-hop connectivity to gateway is difficult to achieve in real-world, remote, rural scenarios



# 2-hop long-range approach

- **smart, transparent** relay node should be able to be inserted at anytime between end-devices and gateway to increase range



- **2 approaches**

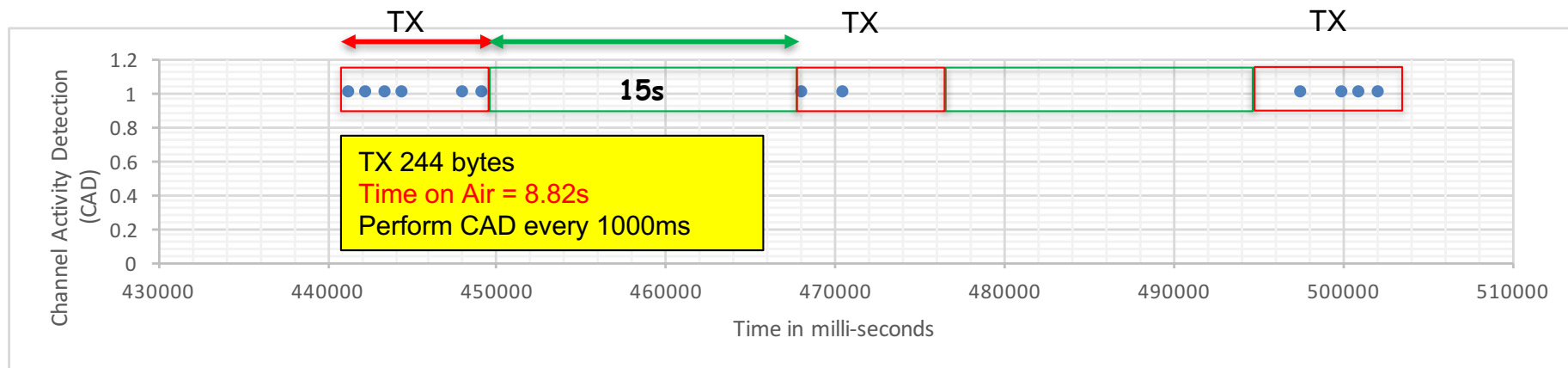
- Use short Channel Activity Detection (CAD) to dynamically detect uplink messages (draft from Semtech)
- Use observation phase to determine device's schedule



# LoRa's Channel Activity Detection



- ❑ CAD reliability decreases as distance increases
  - ❑ A CAD returning false does not mean that there is no activity! 😞
- ❑ However, during a long transmission (i.e. several seconds) there is usually at least one CAD returning true 😊 **But ad-hoc mechanism is needed**



# Observation phase approach



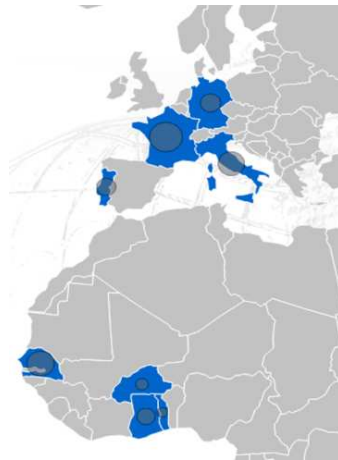
- ❑ On-the-fly learning of incoming traffic from end-devices: **observation phase**
- ❑ Just-in-time wake up in **data forwarding phase**
- ❑ Continuous re-synchronization → only 500ms of guard time is sufficient
- ❑ No additional hardware → sensor nodes can be recycled as relay
- ❑ Advanced features
  - ❑ Insertion of new isolated end-devices
  - ❑ Handling downlink messages
  - ❑ Similarity detection between devices



# Scaling up!



Feb 2016 - 2019



May 2018 - 2021



WAZIUP has been developing the open, low-cost IoT technologies/frameworks and use-cases

WAZIHUB will focus on dissemination, community building and entrepreneurship