New and emerging technologies to address LPWAN for IoT nodes

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# New and emerging technologies to address LPWAN for IoT Nodes

- What are the Technology needs for Low Power Sensors in Smart Cities and Smart Industries?
- Examine how existing technologies are unable to provide competitive solutions
- Identify the evolution of emerging technologies to cover market requirements
- Key features and advantages of LoRa, SigFox & LTE







# How Mega Trends Impact Technology Needs

Mega Trends

#### Sub-trends

#### **Impact**

#### **Accelerating Urbanization**

**60%** of the world's population (about 4.7 billion people) will live in cities in 2025 (1)



Smart is the new Green

#### Need Smart Cities

Infrastructure: Power, Water, Transport
Smart Home and Buildings
Smart Transportation
Smart Banking
Smart Learning
Data usage doubling / 18 month (3)



#### Convergence of technology

Home: Automation,
Entertainment,
Energy and Security
Smart Energy & Water
Resource sharing (Smart Apps)
Transportation efficiency
Autonomous vehicles and Robots

#### **Demographics**

**72.1** million Americans over the age of 65 by 2030 <sup>(2)</sup> Healthcare costs projected to be 20 -30% of GDP by 2025



Wellness

#### Need to reduce Chronic diseases costs

Chronic disease accounts for 86% of US healthcare costs<sup>(3)</sup> Innovative technologies could cut the costs of chronic disease treatment by as much as 50 percent <sup>(1)</sup>



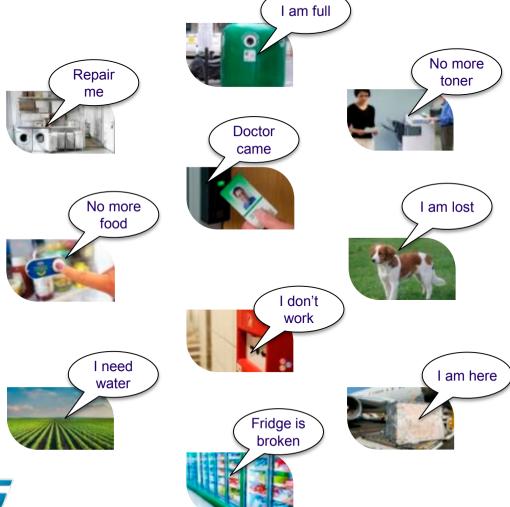
#### **Predictive diagnostics**

Wearables
Implantable, injectable, and ingestible
Non-wearable connected measurement devices
Predictive diagnostics

The challenge: the ability to monitor and Control things in the physical world

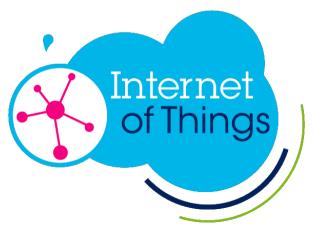


## The IoT Challenge



- loT will soon impact our everyday life, and connect all objects around us
- Many of tomorrow's great ideas are technically possible today, but merely constrained by power and budget issues.
- Small inexpensive objects simply don't have the power to communicate with large mobile networks.







Smart Things



Smart Home & City



**Smart Industry** 





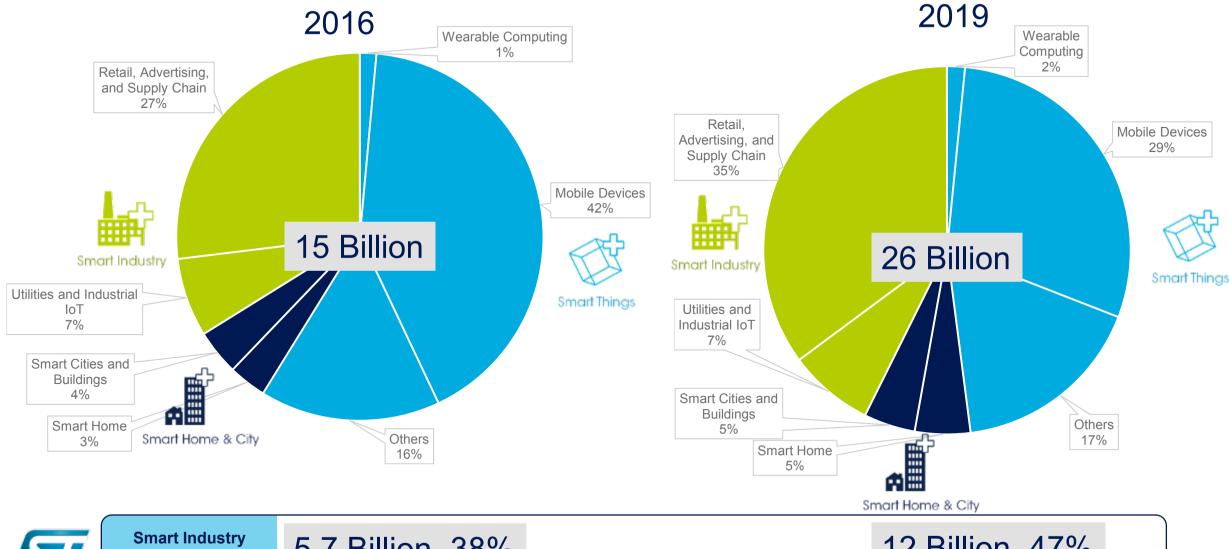








## Internet of Things Connected Devices



**Smart City** 

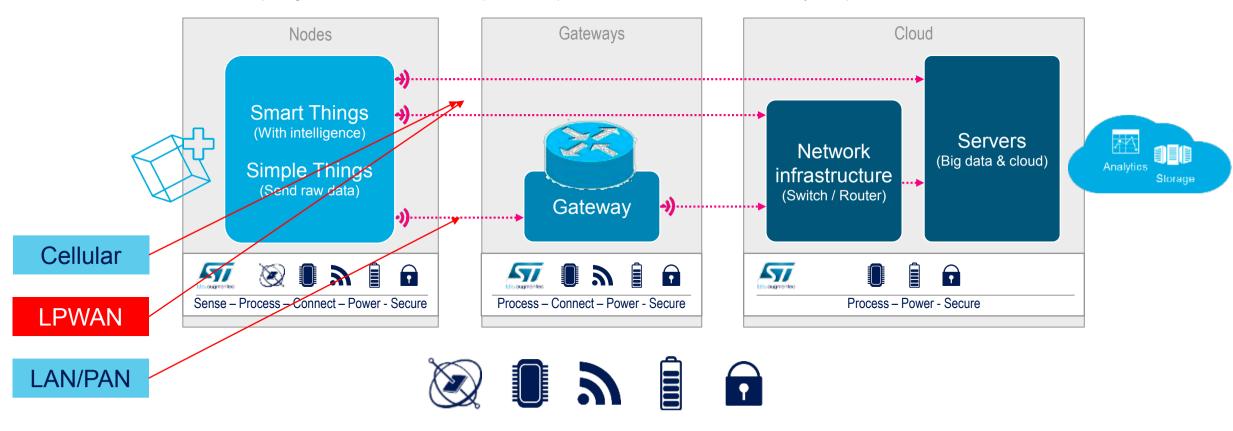
5.7 Billion, 38%

12 Billion, 47%

## Connectivity in the IoT Movement \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### IoT is a movement where any system is able to leverage the Internet and its eco-system

Cloud computing – Low cost embedded computers – Explosion of reliable wireless connectivity – Rapid innovation of low cost sensors





Sense – Process – Connect – Power - Secure | The building blocks

## Connectivity Use Cases in the IoT

- Diverse use cases and solutions with competing requirements:
  - **Bandwidth**
  - Latency
  - Power Consumption (Battery)
  - Remoteness (global reach)
  - Reliability
  - Cost effectiveness

Node to node

Node to cloud

cloud to cloud







Alarm panel and sensors monitoring





HVAC control and monitoring

Fault detection

Predictive maintenance



























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#### Agriculture and farming:

- irrigation, fertilizers, soil
- hive, cattle, livestock, fishing monitoring

#### **Disaster Monitoring:**

- River flood detection
- Eartquake detection
- Forest fire detection

#### **Environment monitoring:**

- Air quality
- Hazardous gas
- Wind monitoring











Agriculture and Environment

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Smart Meters (water, gas, electricity)



Leak detection water pressure and quality monitoring Tank level monitoring



**Smart Parking** Fleet Management











Utilities, Energy, City Management

## The Building Blocks of the IoT 11

#### Sensing & Actuating



Full range of sensors and actuators



Signal Conditioning & Protection

Nano Amps to Kilo Amps

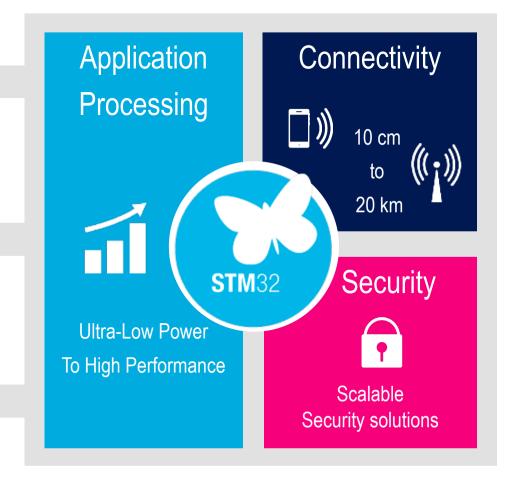


Power & Energy Management



Nano Watt to Mega Watt







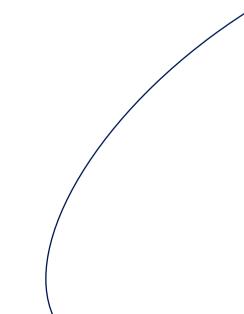


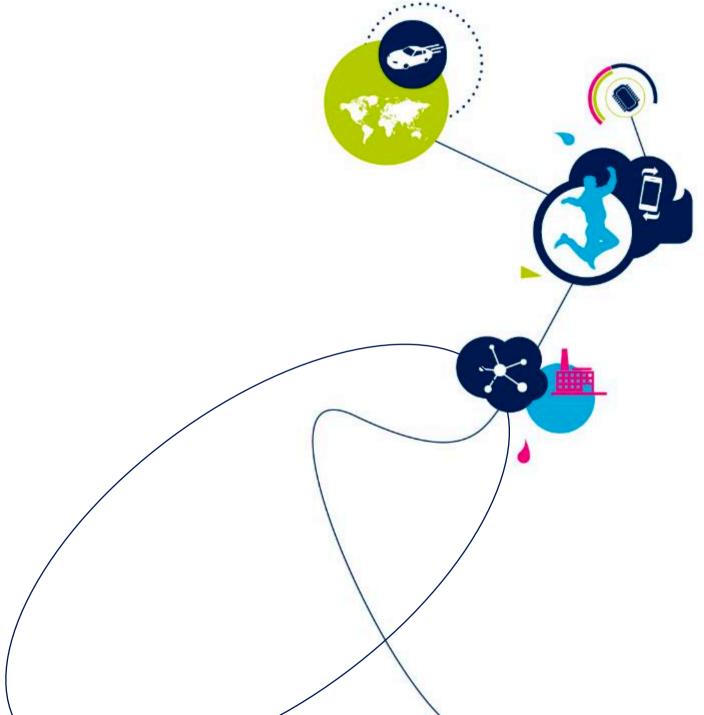




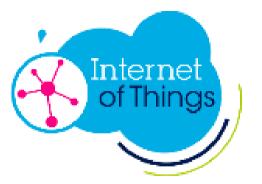


## **LPWA Market**









# IOT CONNECTIVITY: NO 'ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL' NETWORK

#### Global M2M/IoT Market in 2025

27 billion connections

**Short Range** 

18.5

Billion

**LPWAN** 

3.8

Billion

Cellular

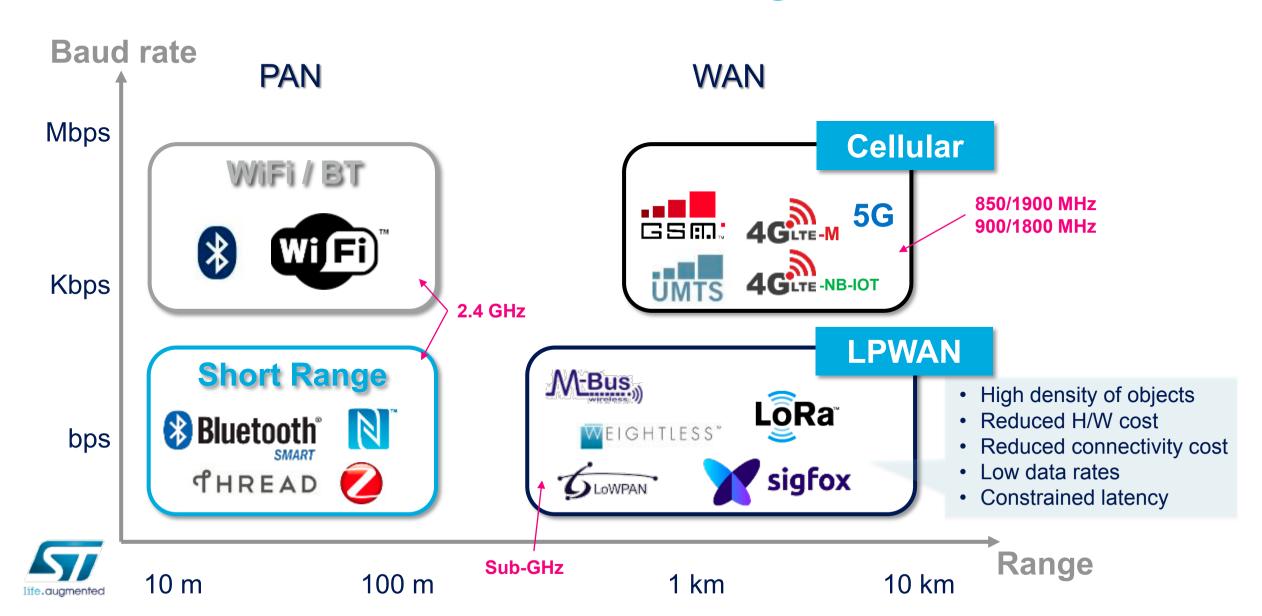
2.2

Billion

Other



## Communication Technologies - Overview



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#### **Existing Technologies**

#### Address:

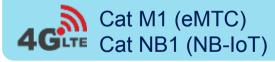
- Short range low power
- Long range high power (also expensive)



#### **Emerging Technologies**

#### Address:

Long Range Low Power







- Public network
- · Higher data rate
- Leveraging existing infrastructure

- Proprietary PHY, Open MAC
- Regional regulatory differences
- Inexpensive

- Public network
- Regional regulatory differences
- Suited for upstream communications (sensor networks)
- Inexpensive



## **Technology Comparison**

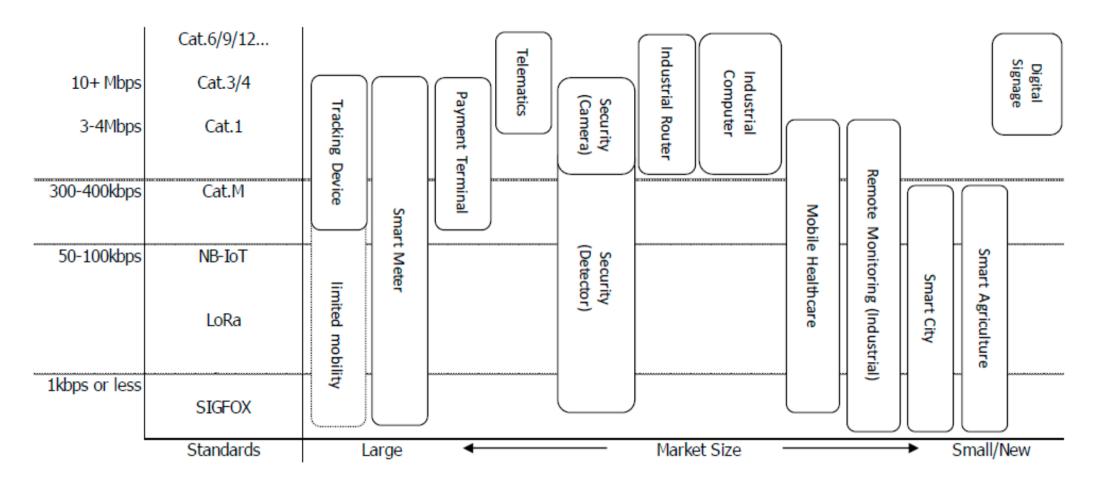
|                                   | <b>y</b> sigfox  | <b>Lõ</b> Ra ·      | LTE-M1   | NB-IoT                |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Wide Area<br>Deployment Available | Now              | Starting            | >2017  | >2018                 |
| Coverage (BS Sensitivity)         | -142 dBm         | -138 dBm            | -124 to -138 dBm   | -142 dBm              |
| Power Consumption                 | Low              | Medium <sup>4</sup> | Optimized for rich traffic<br>Models (several K Bytes/day) |                       |
| Security                          | AES128<br>No IP  | AES128              | eSIM   | eSIM                  |
| Bandwidth                         | 0.1 - 0.6 kHz    | 0.3 - 50.0 kHz      | 10.0 - 100.0 kHz   | 0.2 - 10.0 kHz        |
| 2-Way                             | Device triggered | Class A only        | Yes  | Yes                   |
| Data Rate                         | 100 - 600 bps    | 11 Kbps             | 27.6 Kbps  | 28.3 Kbps             |
| Daily Traffic per device          | 1.6 Kbyte        | 10 Kbytes           | Several 100 Kbytes   | Several 100<br>Kbytes |

#### some assumptions:

- Sigfox become a global Internet of Things operator
- LoRa provide a technology that lets other companies enable a global Internet of Things
- LTE-M evolve an existing technology to exploit the existing infrastructure



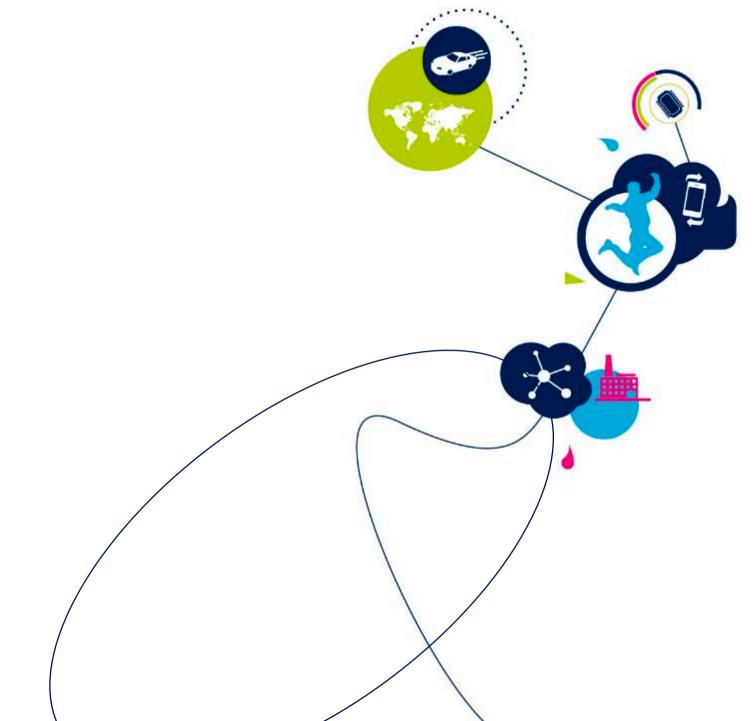
## Cellular/LPWA Applications 17











## What is LoRa?

- 1. A Sub-GHz wireless technology enabling low data-rate communications over long distances
- 2. Is targeting M2M and Internet of Things applications
- 3. LoRa technology is a solution providing a WAN capability, using a MAC protocol named LoRaWAN



- Long range, low power & small form factor
  - In Sub-GHz: > 2km dense urban, > 15km suburban, > km VLOS
  - More than 10 years in operation without changing battery
- Concentrator with network capacity & security
  - Star Network / Link rate Adaptation / Fully Scalable Network
  - More than 4M transaction per day per GTW
- Robust communication
  - Robust to interferer / coexistence with other ISM
  - Robust to Jamming
  - Suitable for Mobile, Nomadic & fixed nodes
  - Indoor / Outdoor coverage





## LoRa Network Features 20



#### True location

- Indoor and outdoor
- Position monitoring



#### Global mobility

- True mobility
- Seamless
- Roaming



#### Bidirectional

- Bidirectional
- Scalable capacity
- Broadcast



#### Security

- Unique ID
- Application
- Network



#### Long range

- · Greater than cellular
- Deep indoor coverage
- Star topology



#### Multi-usage

- High capacity
- Multi-tenant
- Public network



#### Max lifetime

- Low power optimized
- 10-20 years lifetime
- >10x vs cellular M2M



#### Low cost

- Minimal infrastructure
- Low cost end-node
- Open software



# LogRa Alliance Wide Area Networks for IoT



### LoRa Alliance

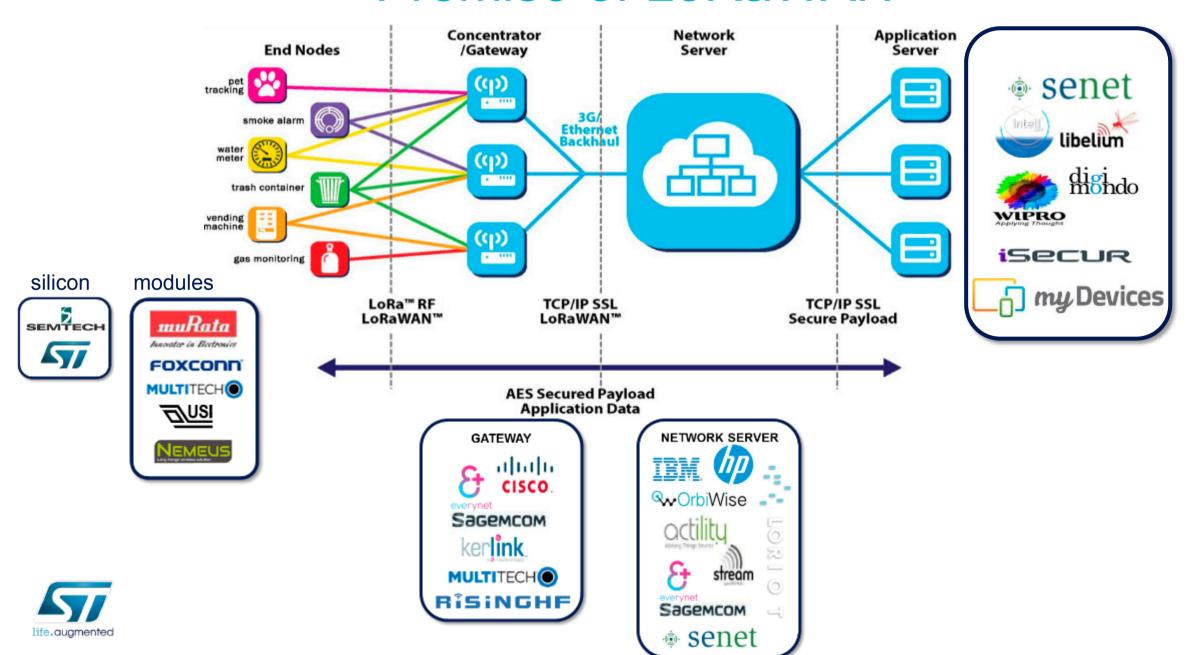
- The LoRa Alliance is a non-profit open consortium of companies promoting the technology
  - Mission is to ensure that LoRaWAN is THE standard for SECURE, CARRIER-GRADE IoT connectivity
  - Promotes interoperability, certification and drives future use-cases and features
- There are players in all facets of the network
  - Gateway hardware suppliers (Multitech, Actility, etc)
  - Network Server space (Senet)
  - Application Server space (MyDevices, Loriot, etc)
  - Certification houses
  - End-nodes (also called "Mote's")
  - www.lora-alliance.org

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## Premise of LoRaWAN

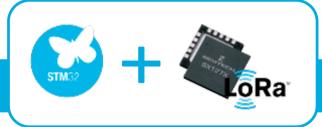


## LoRaWAN Device Classes

#### 3 classes to cover all the use cases

| Class name         | Intended usage   |  |
|--------------------|--|--|
| A<br>(« all »)     | Battery powered sensors (or actuators with no latency constraint) Most energy efficient communication class. Must be supported by all devices                      | Mainly uplink with two potential downlink slots after each uplink              |
| B<br>(« beacon »)  | Battery powered actuators Energy efficient communication class for latency controlled downlink. Based on slotted communication synchronized with a network beacon. | Programmed downlink<br>slots to allow control within<br>certain latency limits |
| C (« continuous ») | Mains powered actuators Devices which can afford to listen continuously. No latency for downlink communication.  | Lowest latency command and control for less power critical devices.            |



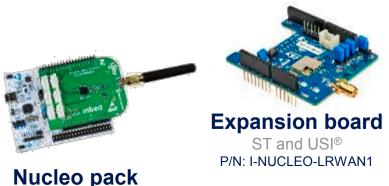


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#### With a wide and existing ecosystem

(Click on the icon or link)

#### **HW** tools



ST and Semte P/N: P-NUCLEO-LR\



ST and Murata® P/N: B-L072Z-LRWAN1

#### **Dev tools**

STM32CubeMX

**ST-Link Utility** 

**Partners IDE** 







ARM mbed enabled

#### LoRaWAN stack

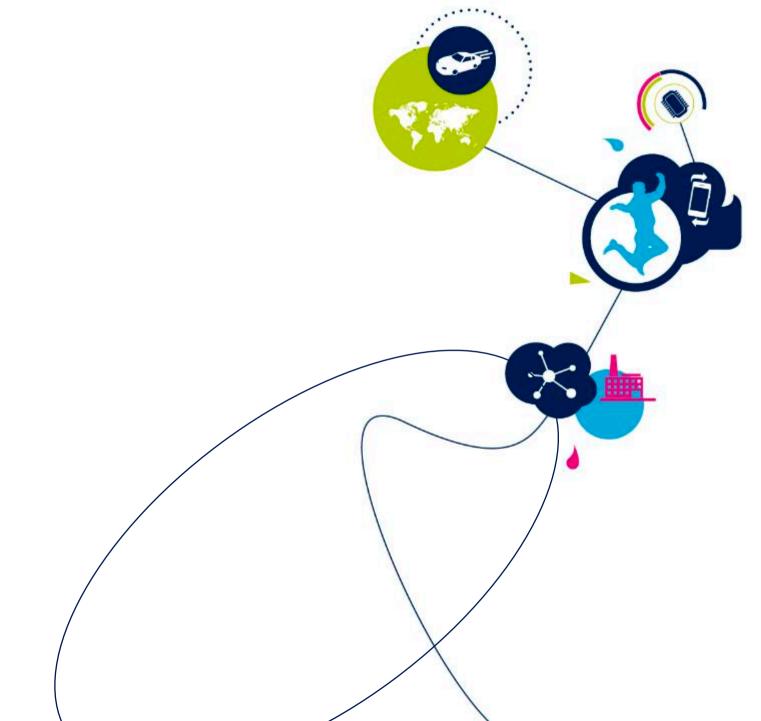














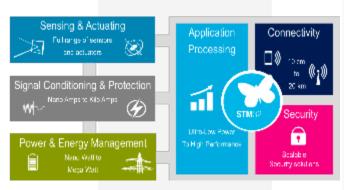
## **How Sigfox Works**

**Devices** integrate a connectivity module



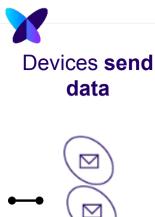


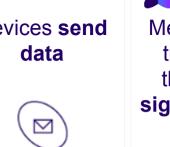






**Sigfox** certified Royalty free radios









Messages are transmitted through the sigfox network





They are stored in the sigfox cloud



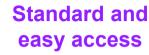
They can be analyzed on **Big Data** analytics platforms

They turn into actions and insights through the customer IT









Interoperability with top-tier **Big Data** platforms

**Partners with** specific applications for your business





## How Sigfox Works

... across the globe

Present in 28 countries, targeting 60 countries by 2018

#### Covered countries

France

Ireland

Luxembourg

Portugal

Spain

The Netherlands

#### On going country deployment

Australia Malta

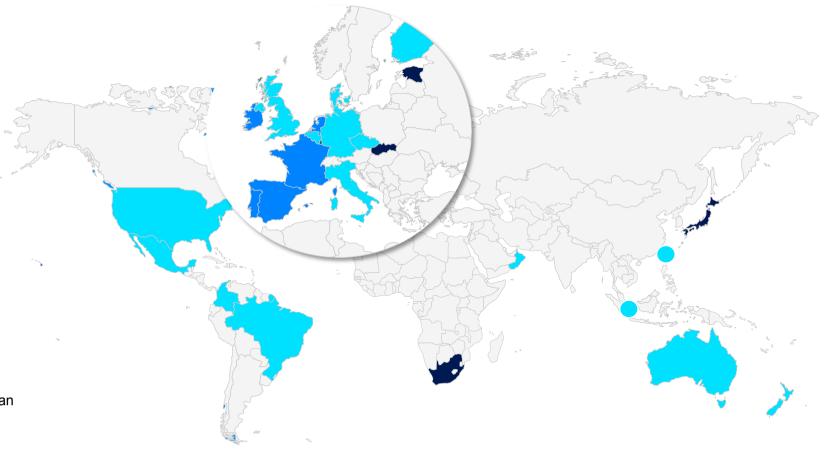
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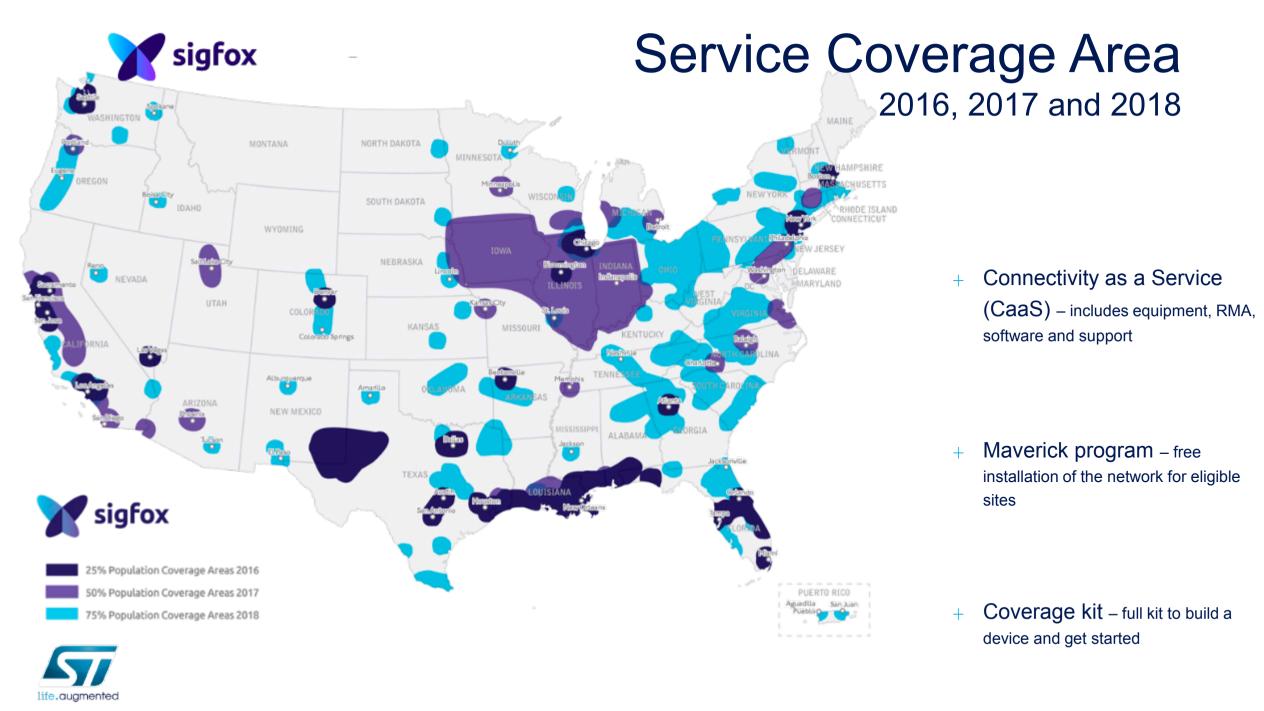
Czech Republic South Africa
Denmark Slovakia
Estonia Singapore
Finland Taiwan

Germany The Sultanate of Oman

Italy The U.K Japan The U.S.









#### Build a device

- Build a prototype with STM devkit
- 2 Certify your device with Sigfox
- 3 Promote your device

startusa.sigfox.com

## How to engage

#### Integrate a device

- Find your device in the Sigfox ecosystem
- 2 Certify your solution with Sigfox
- 3 Promote your solution

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## Radio Configuration Zones 30

- The channel frequency, datarate and other relevant parameters depend on the applicable radio control zone (RCZ).
  - RCZ1 (Europe):
    - 868MHz
    - DBPSK for uplink (14dBm at 100bps)
    - 2GFSK for downlink



- RCZ4 (New Zealand, Colombia, Peru', Singapore)
  - 915MHz + PA
  - DBPSK for uplink (22dBm at 600bps for RCZ2/4)
  - 2GFSK for downlink









# Security ID, PAC and Key

#### ID, PAC, KEY

- Each node is identified by a 32 bits ID.
- Each ID has an associated 8-bytes Porting Authorization Code (PAC), that is a checksum needed to register the node to the backend.
- An 128-AES Key (unique for each node) is used to encrypt the messages. The base stations will apply the same Key to decrypt the message.

#### Additional ST Security features

- STSAFE-A1SX is CC EAL5+ AVA\_VAN5 certified
- Data integrity over the Sigfox network:
  - Signature of payloads before uplink
  - Verification of downlink payloads
- Optional data confidentiality over the Sigfox network:
  - · Encryption of payloads before uplink
  - Decryption of downlink
- Optional Secure channel using AES-128





UFDFPN 8 pitch 2x3 SO8N



## SIGFOX certified tools

STEVAL-FKI868V1 / FKI915V1

## SIGFOX-ready sub-1GHz RF kits

accelerate sensor-to-cloud IoT applications

- Development kit:
  - Region AME: <u>STEVAL-FKI915V1</u>
  - Region EMEA: STEVAL-FKI868V1
- Sigfox SDK:
  - STSW-S2LP-SFX-DK

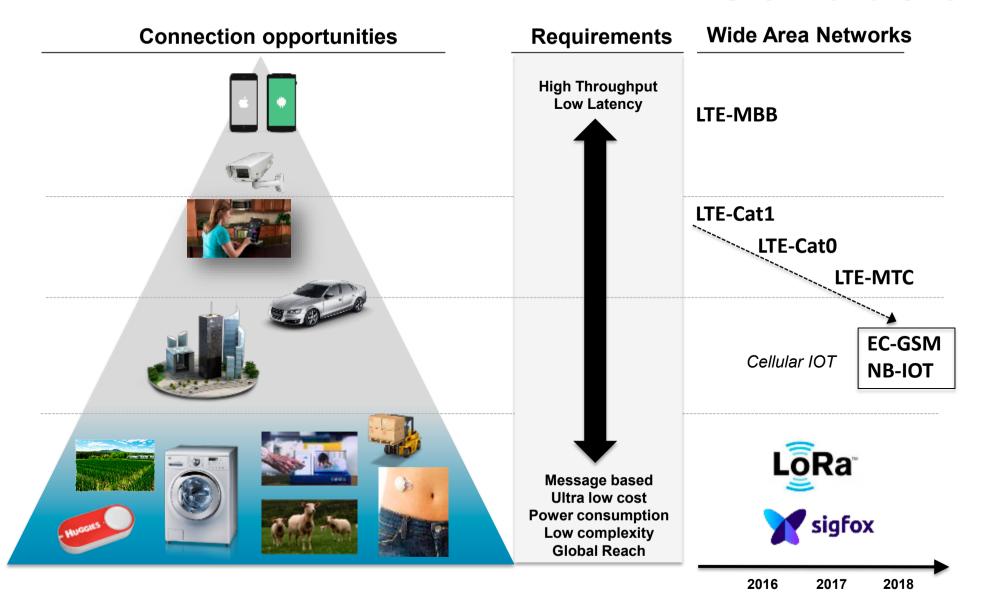
- Based on STM32 Nucleo board
- no need for a local gateway or access point.
- Read more

Development Kit for Out-of-the-box Sensor-to-Cloud Connectivity





## Conclusions 33







## ST Strategy and Offer for the IoT 34

#### IoT is an end-to-end system from device to cloud involving many actors

#### ST has a coherent strategy to cover the market needs

The right building blocks for IoT devices

Lower barriers for developers getting started

Lower barriers from prototyping to first product

Lower barriers to connect devices to the Cloud

Enable product & service commercialization

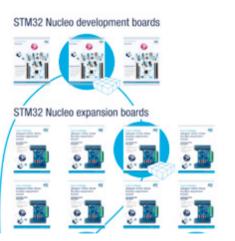
**Building Blocks** 

Processing Security

Sensing & Connectivity Actuating

Power & Motor Energy Control Management

Conditioning & Protection Stackable Boards & modular SW



**Application** specific SW





Sensor **Fusion** 

**Pre-integrated Software** for vertical Applications







Integration of Cloud **Provider SDKs** 







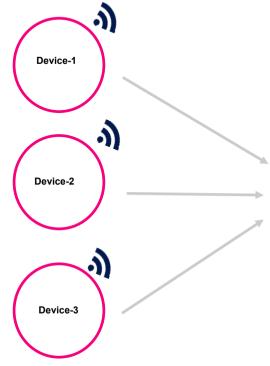
Ready to use **Smartphone Apps** 



**Partner Program** 



## ST - Semtech - Senet - MyDevices Demo 35



#### Devices

The aim is to sense, track, record, monitor any activity. They could be connected to several Gateway and many devices could be connected to the same Gateway. Devices are base on SX1276(100MHz - 1020MHz) or SX1272 (800MHz - 1020MHz) radio.





#### Gateway

Is "just" a bridge between the devices and the network server.

The Gateway(Base station) are Telco properties (Verizon, Orange, Vodafone ...) The Semtech radio chipset is the SX1301.





#### **Network Server**

Will decode the data from the device to route the right devices information to the right Application server. Other players on top of Telco may offer Network Server services





#### Server

Runs the application. The App could run on a cloud server. PC. Phone .... Then the data are sent back to the right device via the N.S and the



my Devices



## **Smart City - Parking**

## Solution Challenge Dual Chip Sigfox and Bluetooth LE smart parking meter Make the management of parking spaces more efficient. **Bluetooth** How it works Park Search available parking spot with the app on your phone **CLOUD** Pay using a Bluetooth LE secure connection to the Smart Parking Meter sigfox Back End

sigfox

**Base Stations** 



3

Send the car presence or remaining time in the Sigfox back end

Notify the user via a Sigfox call back to his phone app