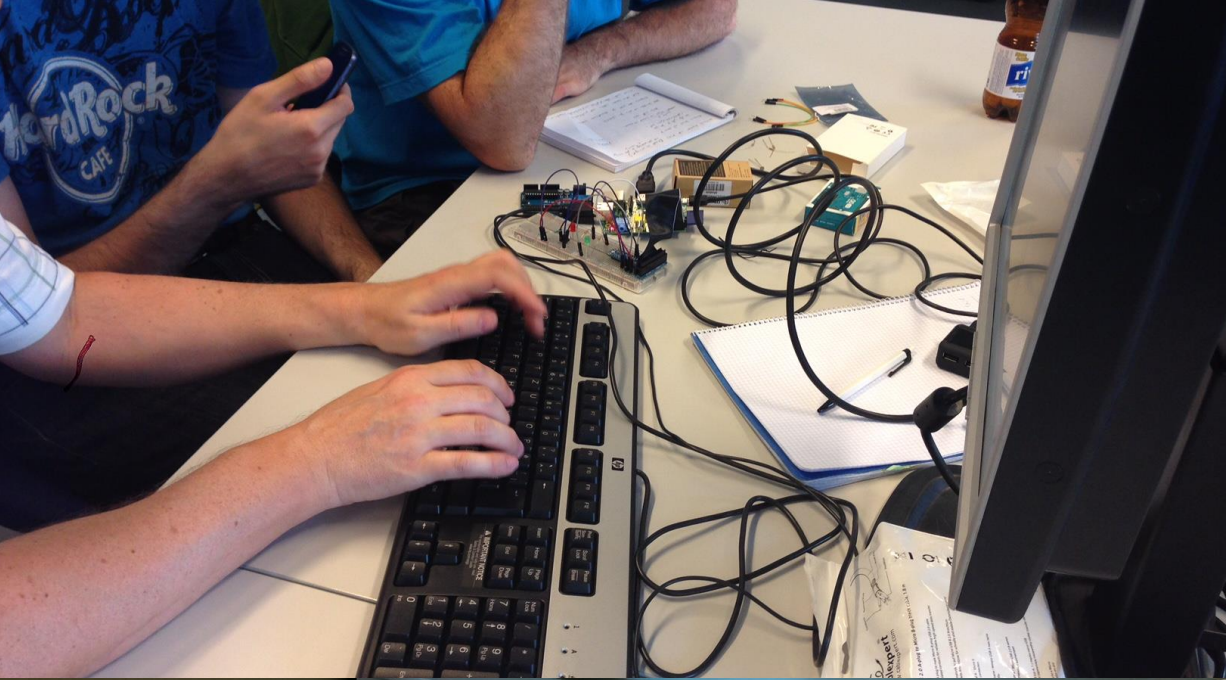


# Gluing the IoT world with Java and LoRaWAN

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Hall 6		Hall 5	
09:10	Managers and Customers – The missing manual	Corsin Decurtins Netcetera	
09:30	Coffee Break		
10:10	Do not make the Monolith great again!	Dimitar Siljanovski Cuponation	Building your smarthome with openHAB, RaspberryPi and Arduino
10:50	Break		Miki Jankov Musala soft
11:10	How reactive do we need to be	Jana Karcheska Netcetera	Break
11:30	Break		Sashko Peshevski Polarcape
11:40	How to deploy Dockerized apps to AWS ElasticBeanstalk	Pavel Bely Seavus	Break
12:00	Lunch break		Recommender systems: What, Why, How
12:30	Flux your App via Redux	Petar Blazhevski Polarcape	Lunch break
12:30			Network Applications with Apache MINA
13:00	How I learned to stop worrying and love the Monolith	Nikola Zhivkov Seavus	
13:40	Coffee & Energy Break		Agile testing: why the tester is your best friend ever!
14:00	From Zero to Production in 1 conference talk time	Milen Dyankov Liferoy	Coffee & Energy Break
14:40	Break		Test easy and prosper with Spock Framework
15:00	How to register and login into a system	Marjan Kindalov Netcetera	Break
15:20	Break		MicroProfile quick start
15:30	JBoss Camel using ServiceMix	Goran Kopevski Cuponation	Break
15:50	Break		JavaLang – Achieve functional eloquence with Java8
16:00	Java 9 - Project Nima	Katerina Doneva Seavus	
16:40	Testing	Tomche Delev jug.mk	
17:00	Networking & Beer		





# In the agenda for today

LoRaWAN crash-course

Hardware prototyping

Rules & Architecture for IoT systems

Software Development

Extras

# Warning

The video you're about to see is made completely by a software developer, and it is for demonstration purposes only.

If something similar is to meet the general public, it **\*will\*** be re-implemented by a trained professional 😊





# SkopjePulse

## Problems

- **extreme air pollution**
- excessive urban noise
- flash floods

No clear means for improvement

## Solution

- leverage technology
- crowdsourced sensor network
- data analysis and availability
- warnings
- clearer insights and basis for action

<https://skopjepulse.mk/faq>

# LoRaWAN

Crash-course

# LoRa

## LongRange

Chirp Spread-spectrum radio modulation (~ OSI physical layer)

**Low-power, long-range, low-cost** communication enabler

Proprietary by **Semtech**

Can work on license-free ISM bands (433, **868**, 915 MHz)

Multiple channels, multiple spreading factors

# LoRaWAN

**Long Range Wide Area Network**

MAC layer on top of LoRa

**De-facto the new IoT communication standard**

Specification and development guided by LoRa Alliance



Fully  
Bi-directional  
System

Secured  
End-to-end

Easy  
Commissioning

Built-in  
Mobility

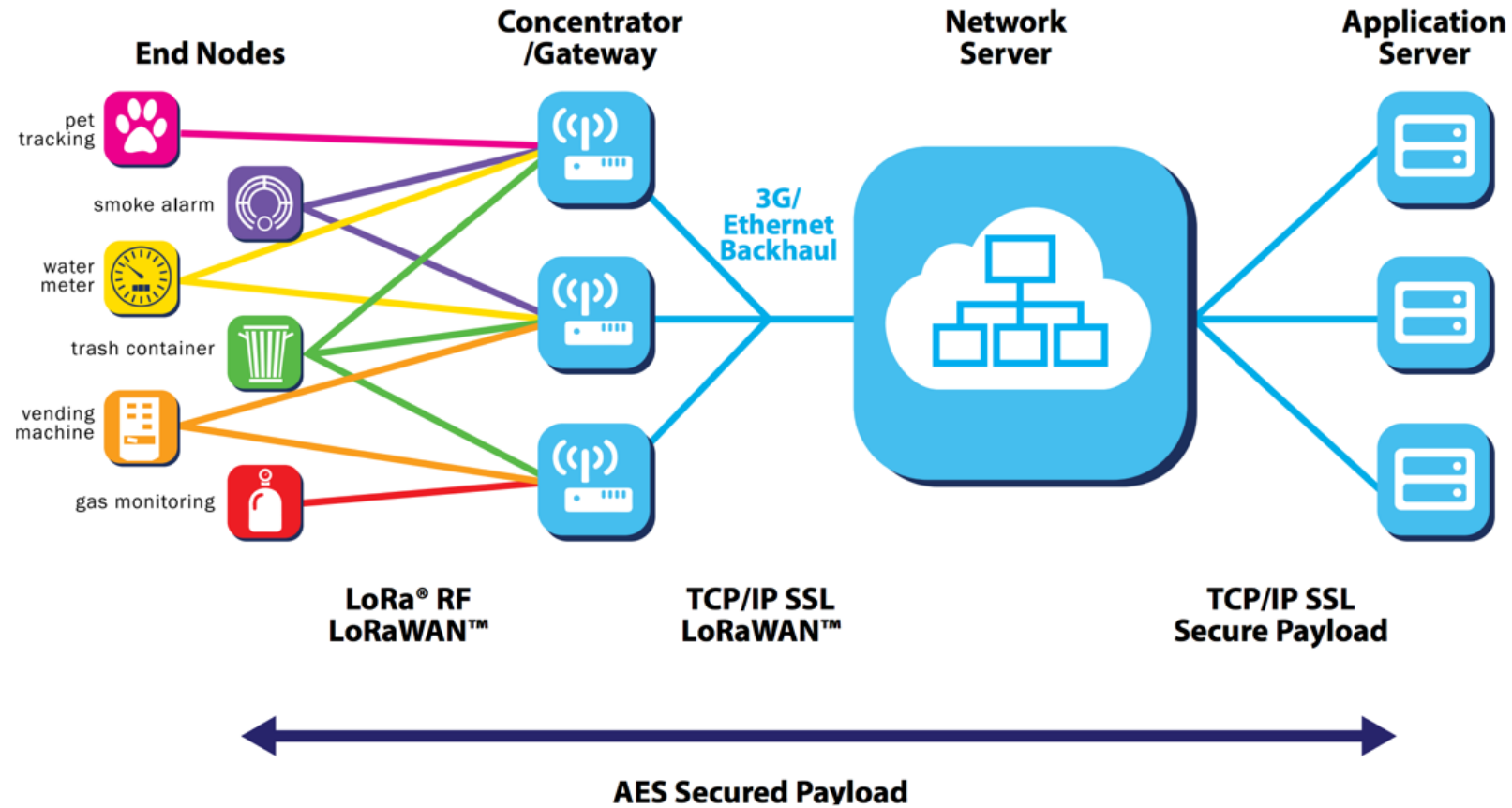
Network  
Scalability

Standard  
Protocol



Origins - LoRaWAN Network - Features

# Architecture



# Limitations

Low-Speed: 250 – 5470 bps (configurable with SF and BW, distance dependable)

Very small packages: (by provider) ~ 20 bytes

Less frequent: (by provider): 2-200 up/ 1-10 down

# Class A LoRaWAN devices

One Uplink followed by two downlink windows (at 1s period)

OTAA or ABP authorization

Can be done with:

- RN2483 chip and sending MAC commands.
- RFM95w or similar with the LMIC library



# LoRaWAN MAC example

```
mac reset 868
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```
mac set rx2 3 869525000
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```
mac set devaddr <devaddr>
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```
mac set appskey <appSkey>
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```
mac set nwkskey <nwkSkey>
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mac set adr off
```

```
mac set ar off
```

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...
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...
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```
mac set pwridx 1
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mac set dr <datarate> (0 to 5)
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mac save
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mac join abp
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```
mac tx uncnf 1 <dataToSend>
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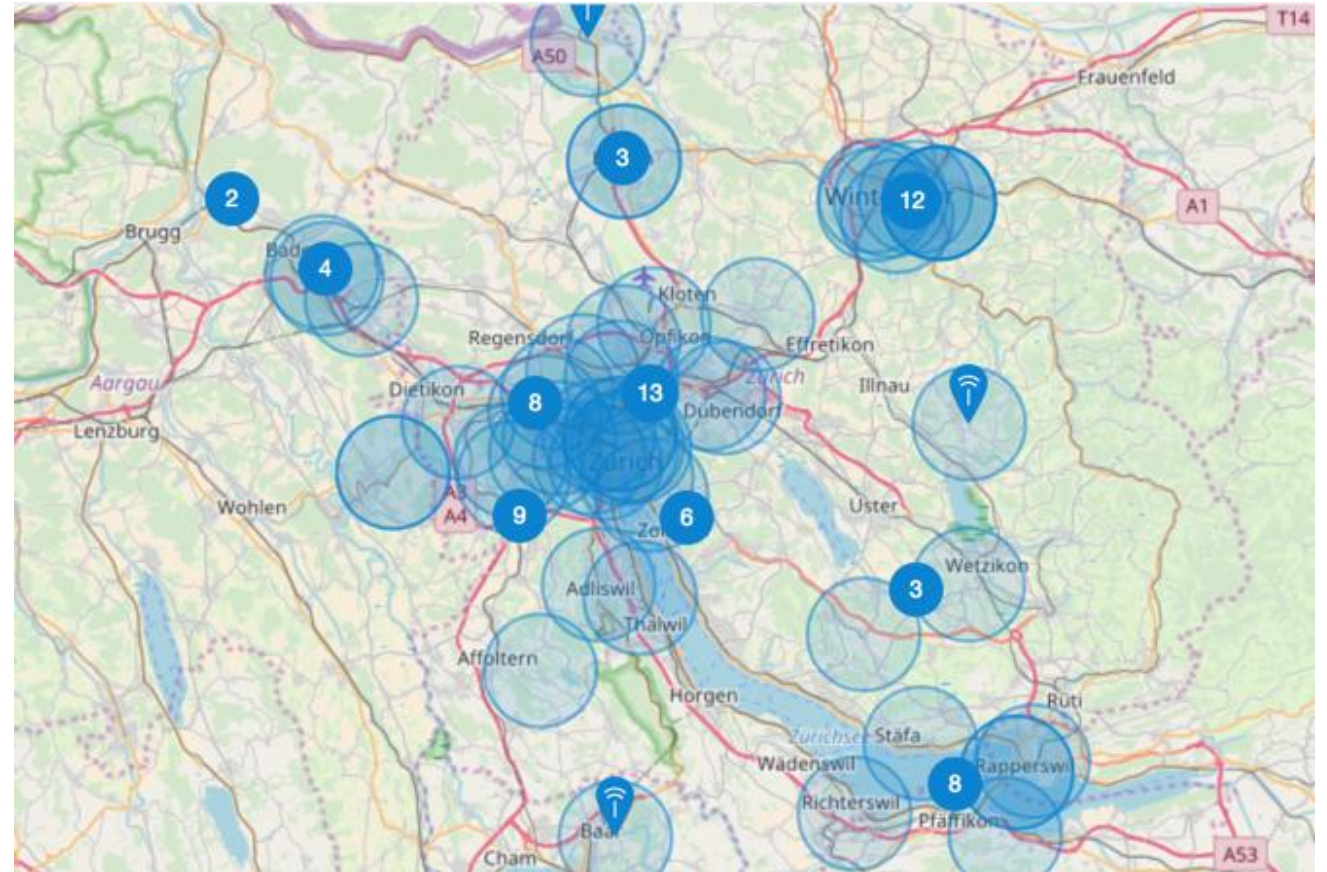
# TheThingsNetwork

Global, crowdsourced Internet  
Of Things data network:

- community driven
- provided network/back-end
- free (fair use)
- LoRaWAN as base tech.

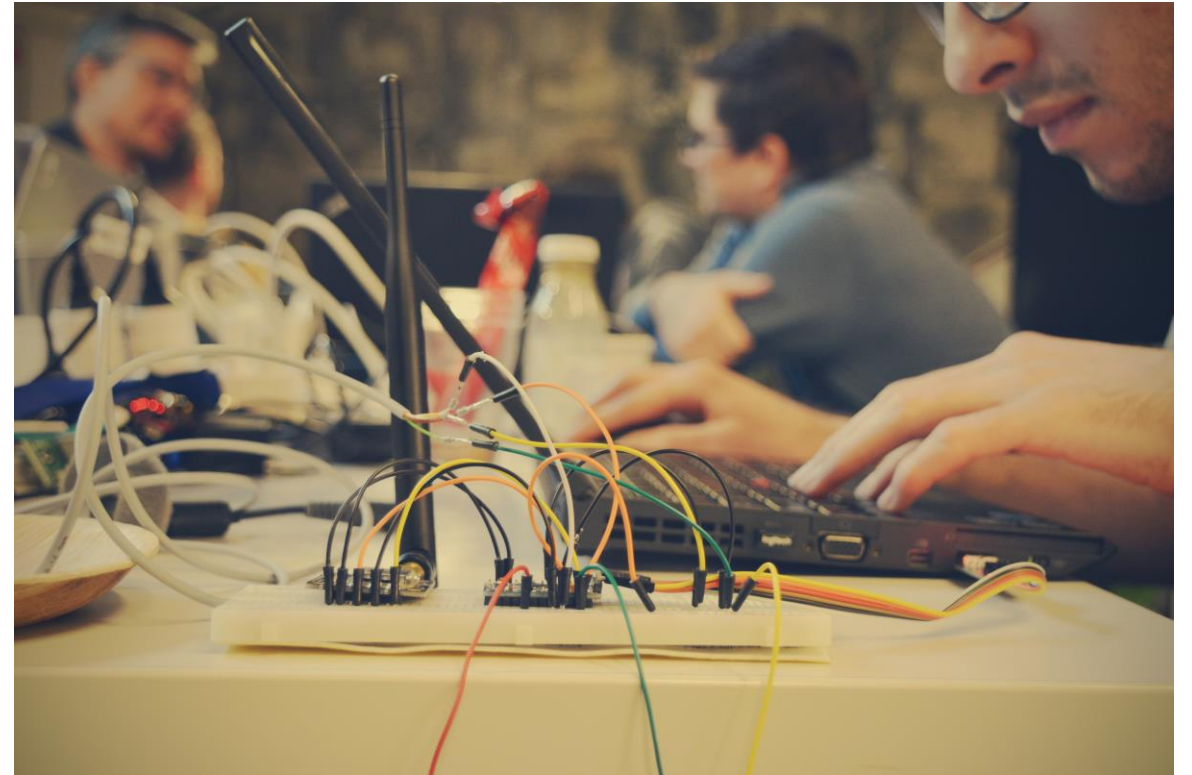
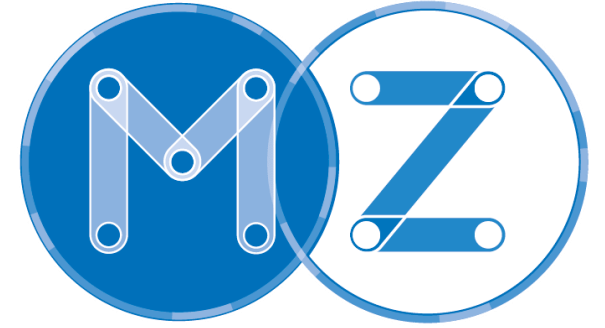


# TheThingsNetwork - Zurich



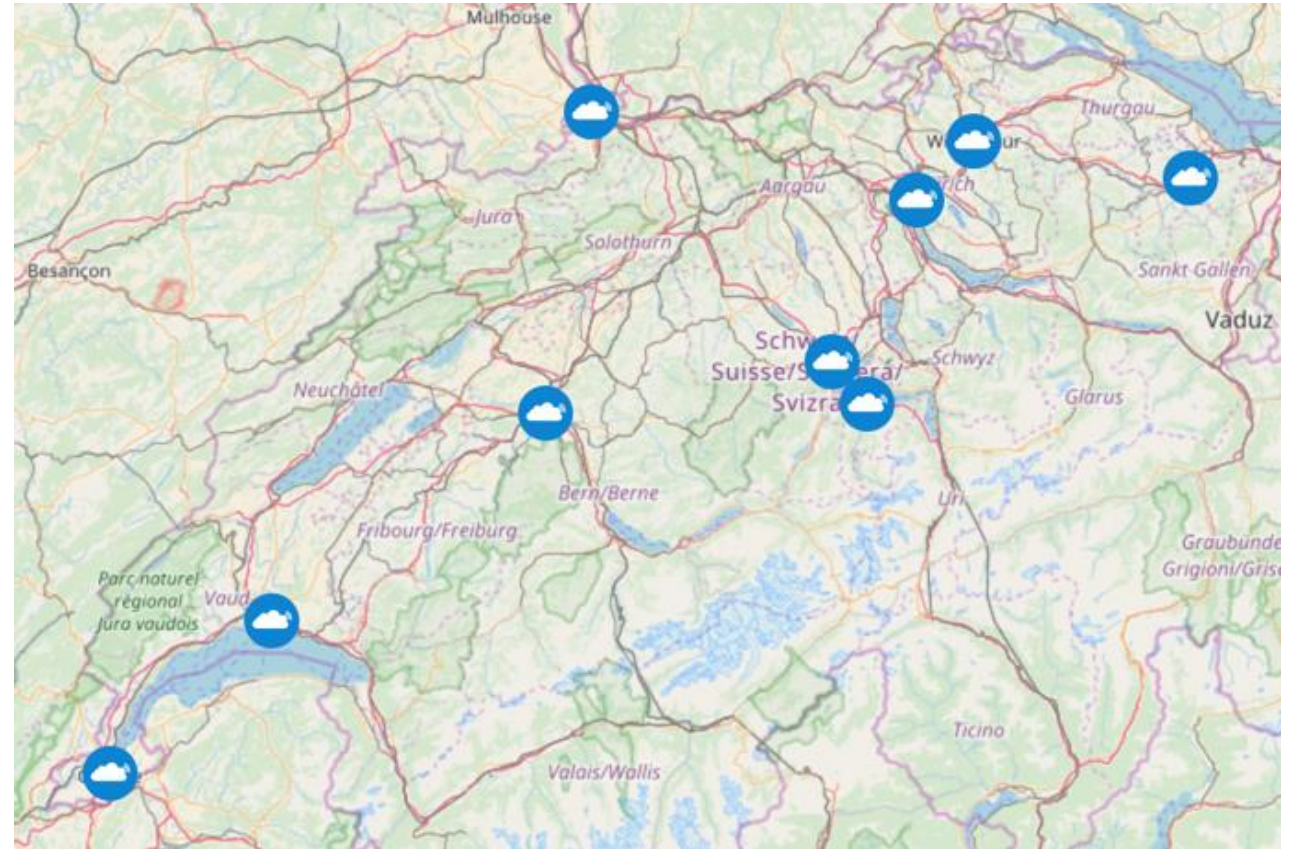
<https://www.thethingsnetwork.org/community/zurich/>

# MakeZurich



<https://makezurich.ch/>

# TheThingsNetwork - Switzerland



<https://www.thethingsnetwork.org/country/switzerland/>

# TheThingsNetwork ZH - Contact

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TTN ZH Initiator

<https://www.thethingsnetwork.org/u/gonzalo>

<https://twitter.com/gnz>



# How to use TTN

Register at <https://console.thethingsnetwork.org/>

- Applications / devices
- Keys, UIDs, credentials
- Plugins / Integrations

# Also in Switzerland

Swisscom LPN: <http://lpn.swisscom.ch/e/>

- Nationwide LoRa coverage
- Different offers based on intended traffic

Loriot

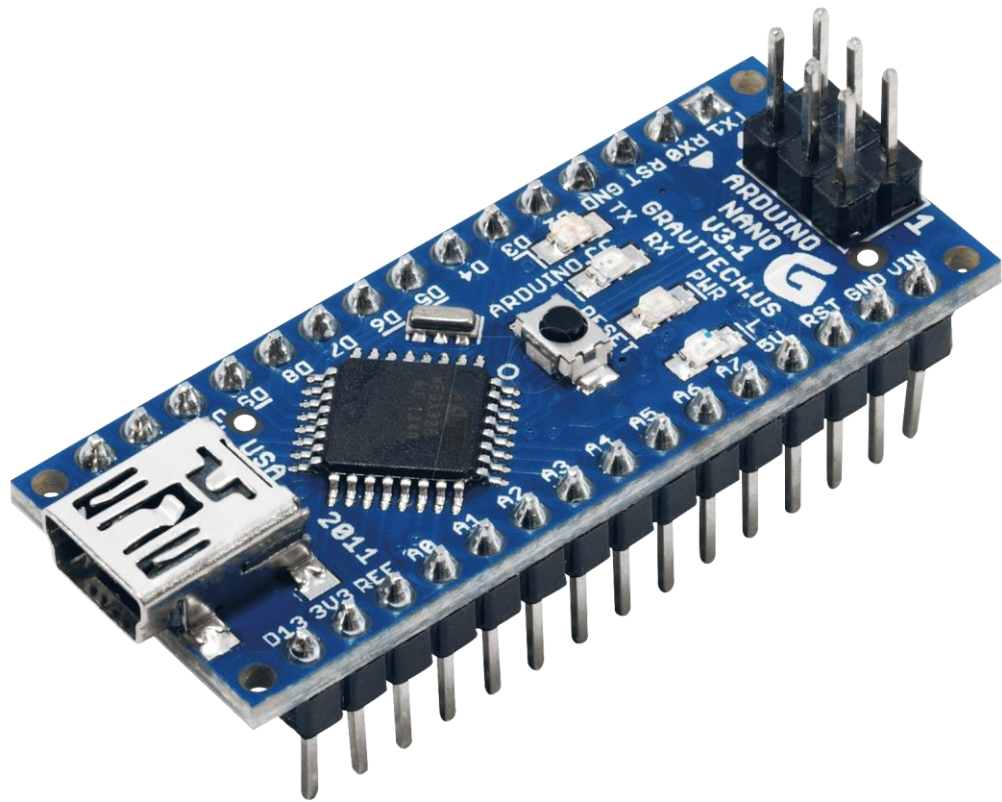
- provide distributed backend
- you provide the network devices and coverage



# Hardware

Prototyping and coding

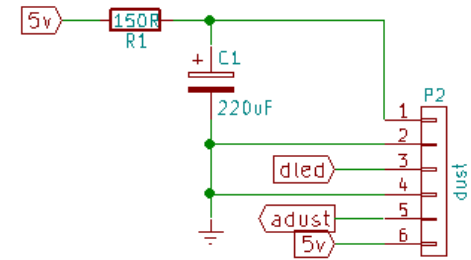
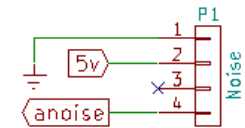
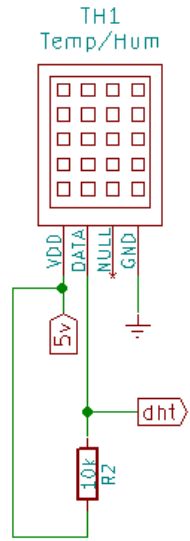
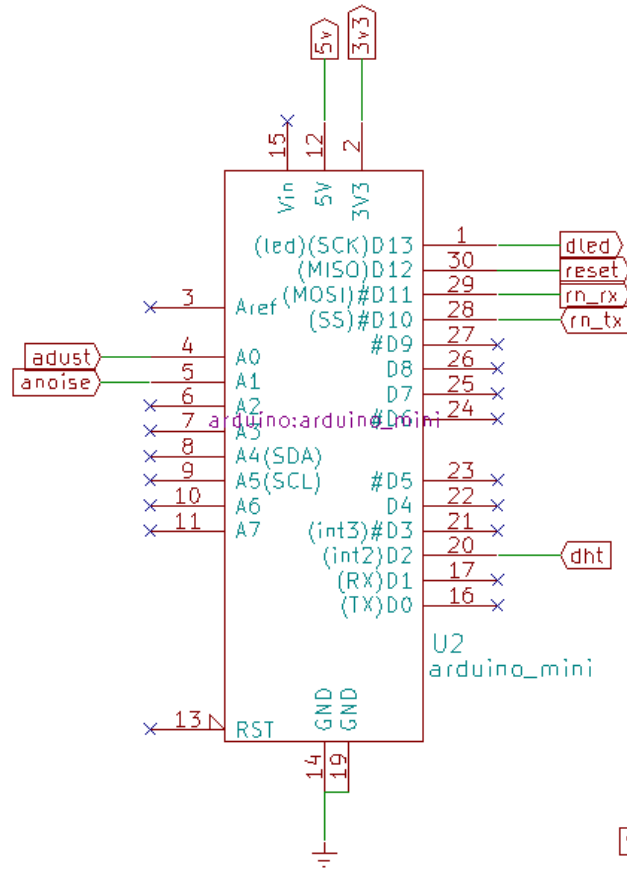
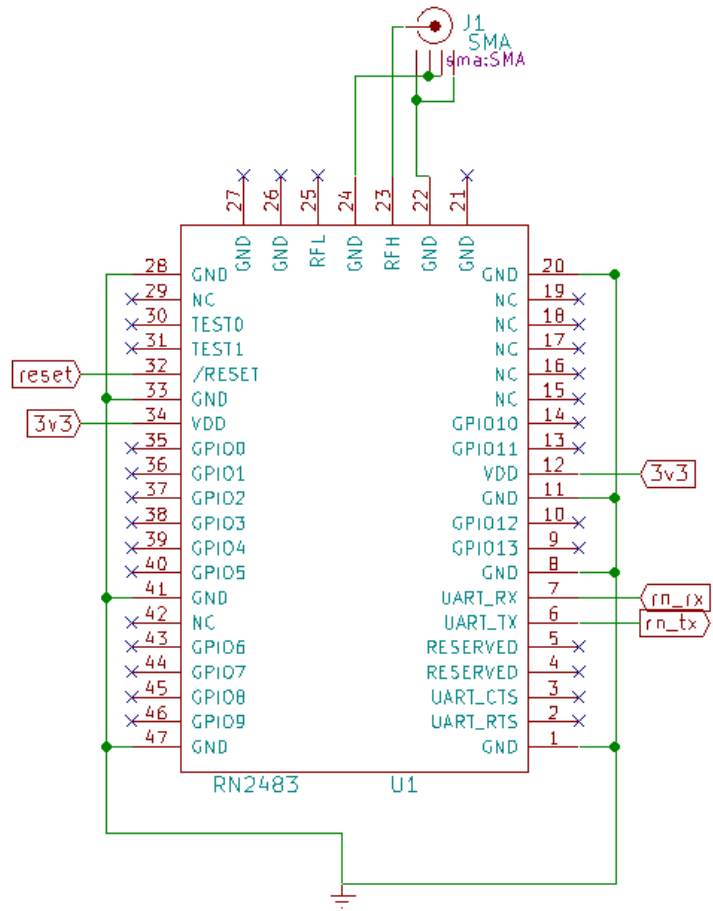
# The basic package

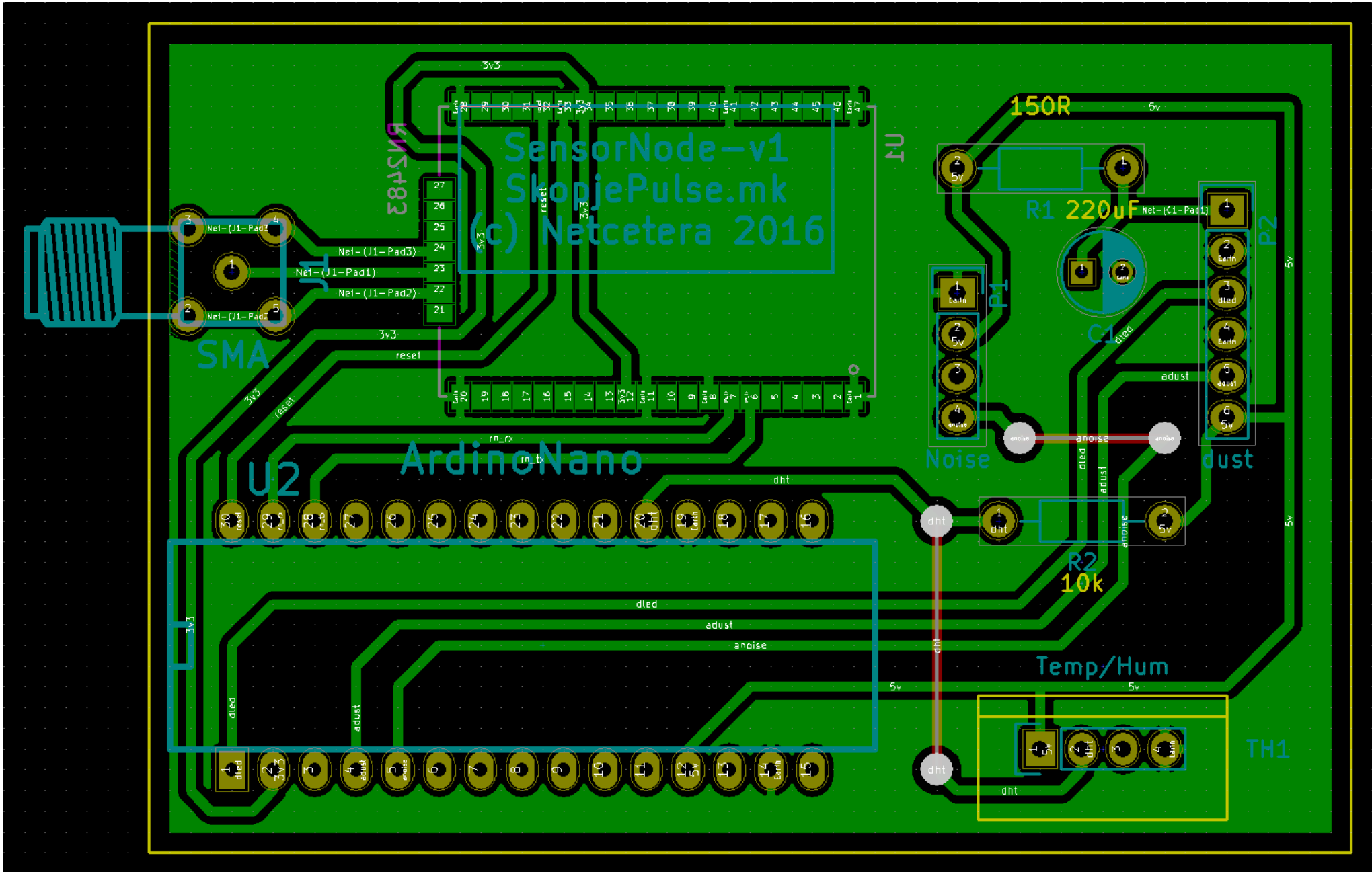


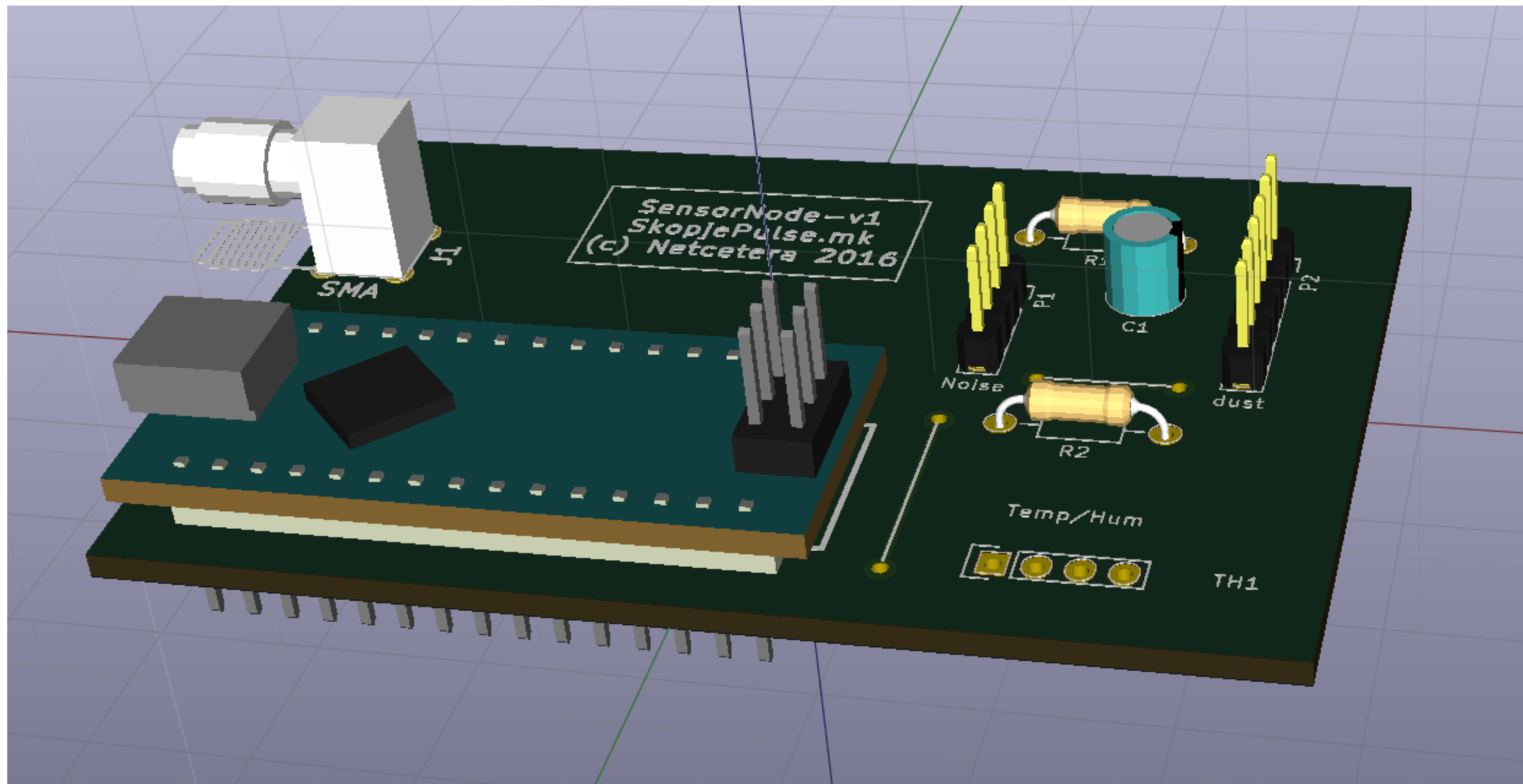
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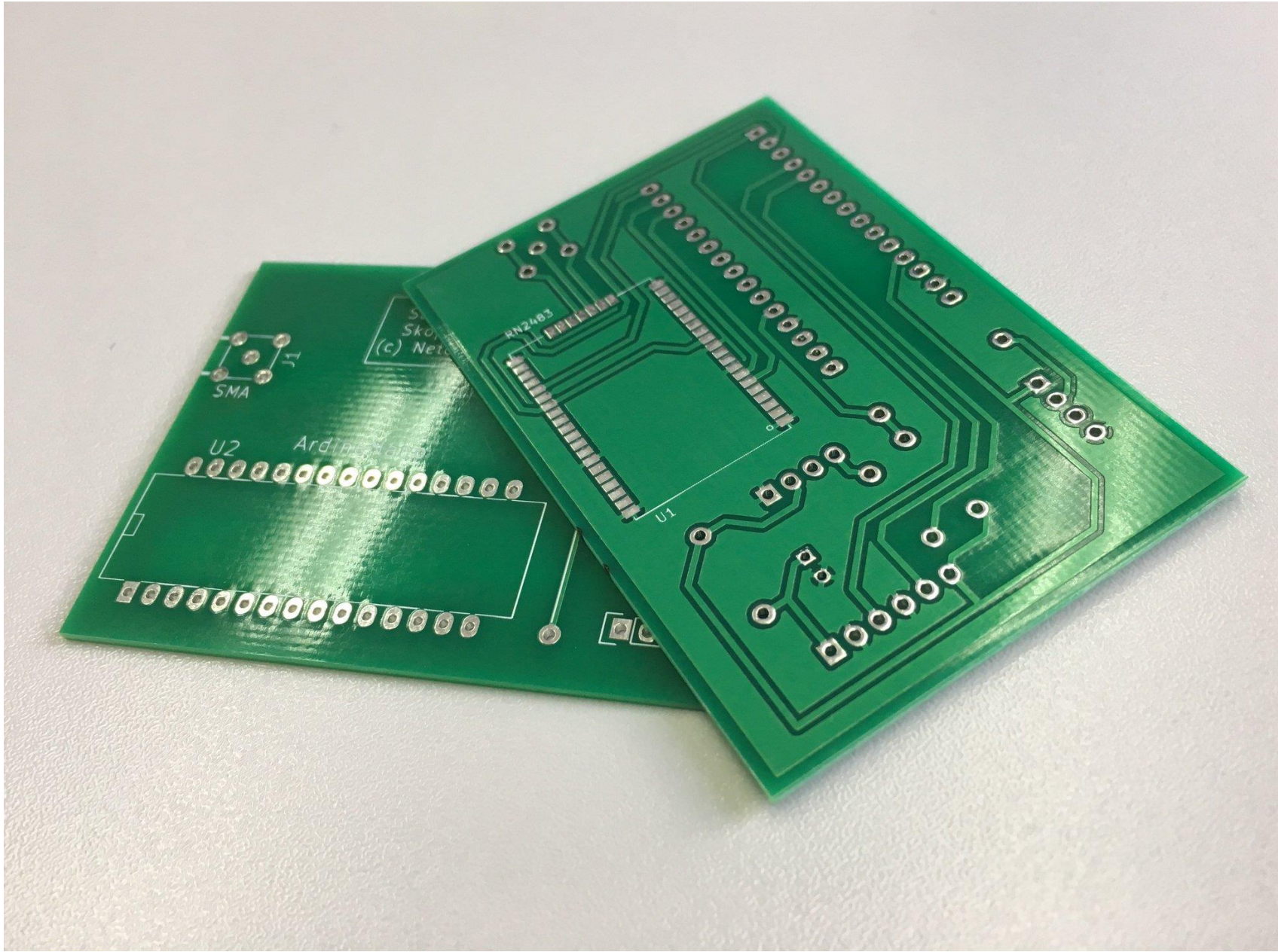
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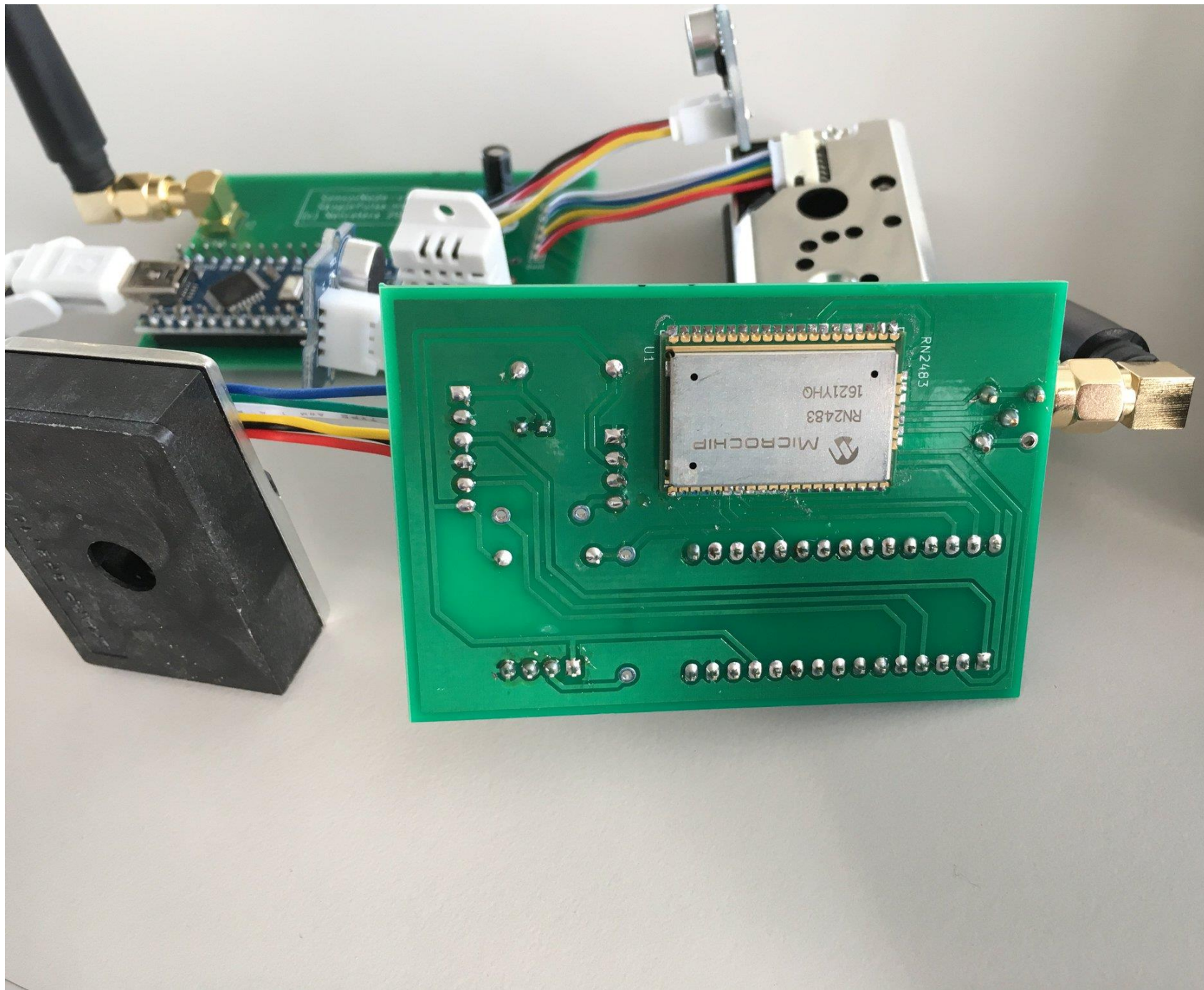
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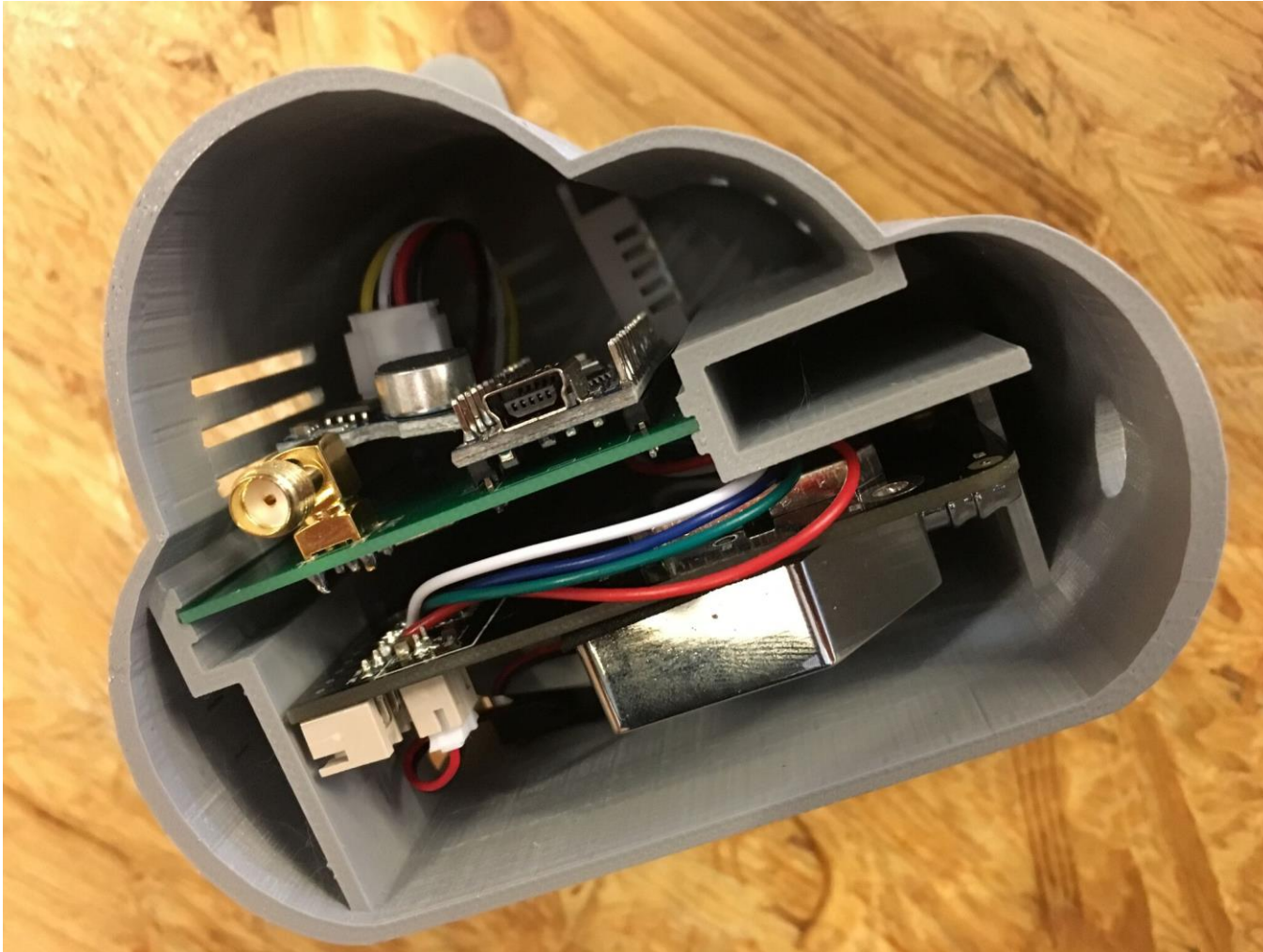








And finally



# Embedded Development

Arduino C

Restricted environment (16MHz, 32KB flash, 2KB memory)

Perpetual non-observed execution

# Rules & architecture

How to build an IoT system

# Decouple

Clear separation of concern

- data acquisition and transmission
- data offering
- web
- analytics / processing

Robustness, resilience, scaling, fallbacks

**tl;dr: containers and orchestrators**

# Optimize

(almost) No overhead

- binary protocols
- always on
- react and store fast
- short physical distance

**\* Optimized MQTT is a good way to go.**

# Store

IoT data is almost always time-series based

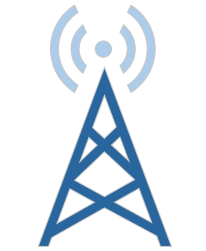
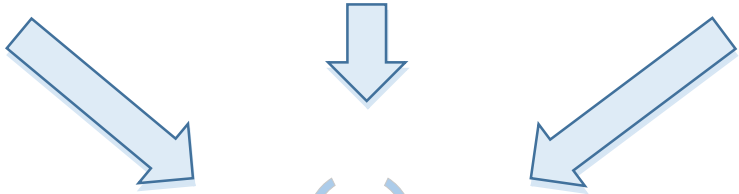
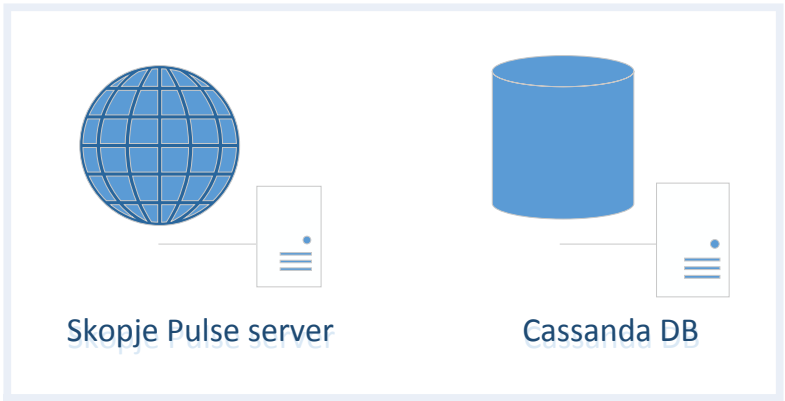
Redundant and impartial data

Append only

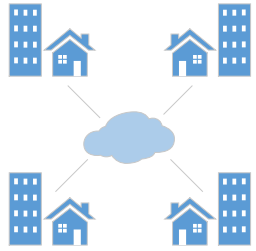
Don't aggregate, but process

Live with eventual consistency

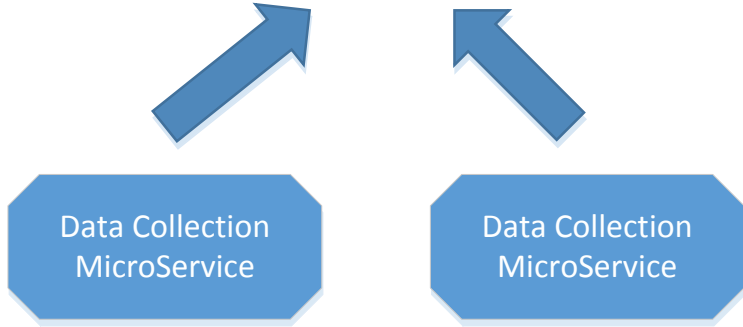
**\* Apache Cassandra is a good way to go**



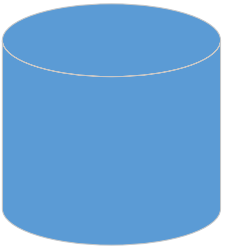
LoRa Gateway



The Things Network



MQTT



Public data source



# Software development

Putting everything together





# Getting to TTN

Spring Boot + Eclipse Paho client + Gson

- *@Component* client implementing *MqttCallback*
- connect in *@PostConstruct*
- *@Scheduled(fixedrate = ...)* watchdog *@Component*



Details on MQTT URL, credentials and message formats:

<https://www.thethingsnetwork.org/docs/network/migrate.html#mqtt>

# Storing data

## Spring Boot + Cassandra Driver Core + Extras

- Cassandra *Cluster* wrapped in *@Service*
- *InstantCodec* for java.time interoperability
- *QueryBuilder*
- No data filtering.

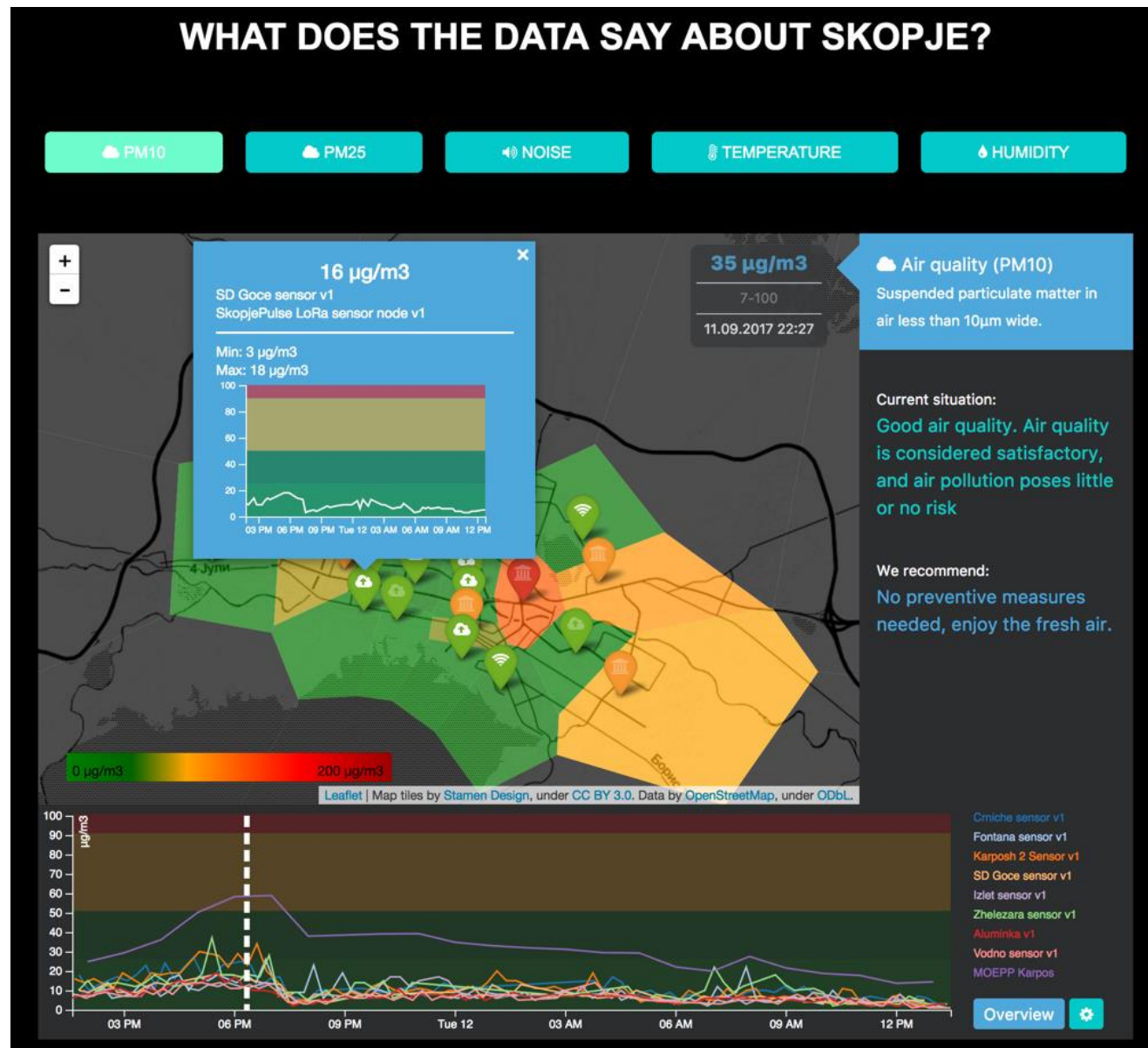
spring-data-cassandra seems like a poor choice.



# Web (public)

Interactive cockpit on landing page

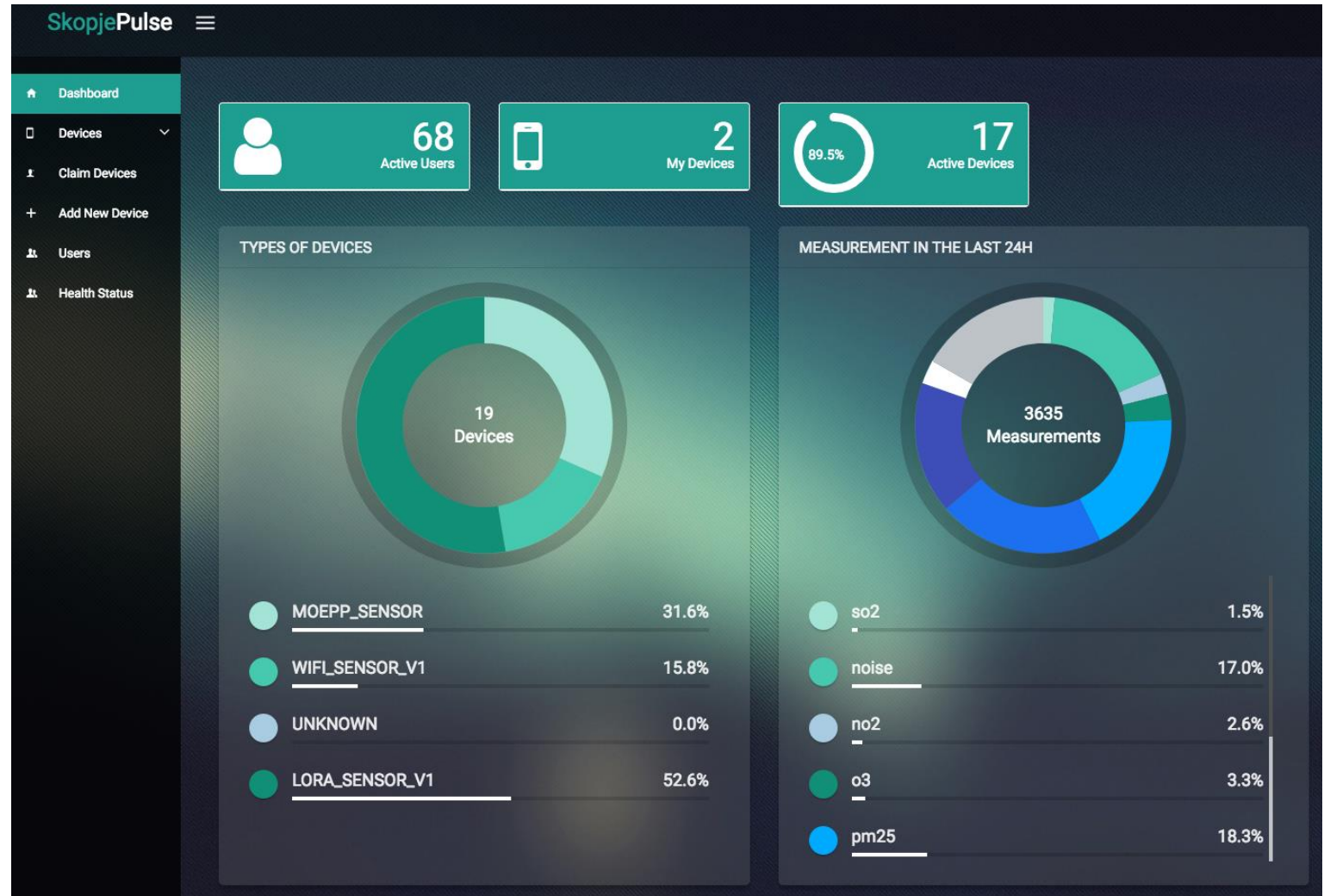
- d3js client-side visualizations
- leaflet + OpenStreetMap + Stamen



# Web (admin)

Full-blown SPA

- Angular2
- ng2-admin
- SpringMVC



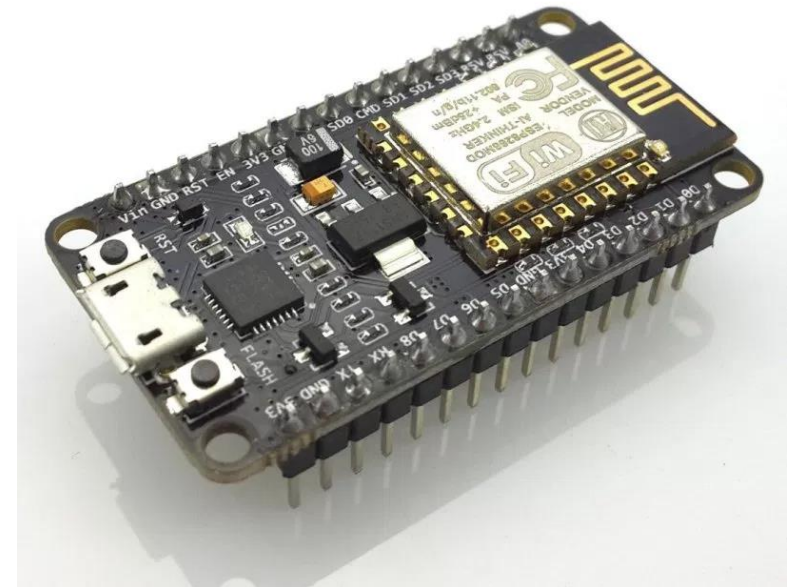
# Extras

Additions, currently in the oven, inspirations and insights

# WiFi devices

Where you **\*really\*** can't do LoRaWAN

- ESP8266 powered device
- use TLS!!!
- provision device address securely
- implement own address -> key mapping



More: <http://pance.mk/index.php/securing-esp8266-communication/>

# In the oven 1

Nostradamus – Time-series forecast service

- trainer + executor based on Python + StatsModels + Pandas & ARIMA.

Averaging service

- periodically scheduled scenarios, processing and decisions

Watchdog – sanity checker

- notifies sensor downtime and data irregularities

Water level sensors

- still in early phase. Based on water or sonic sensors.



# In the oven 2

Notifications and warning service

- periodically analyses recent data
- sends digests to users
- filters out excessive situations and sends out warnings
- tweets for every digest and warning

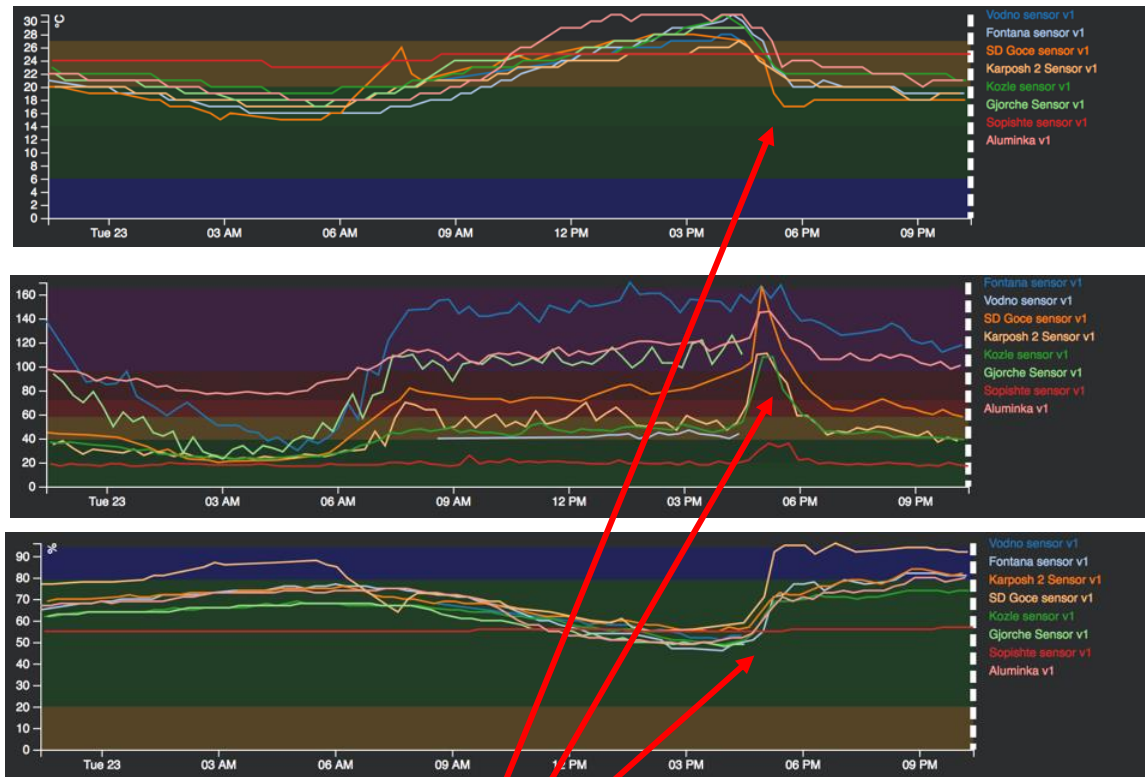
# Story 1: Hardware (dis)trust

Carefully select and inspect sensors

Test for correctness (if possible)

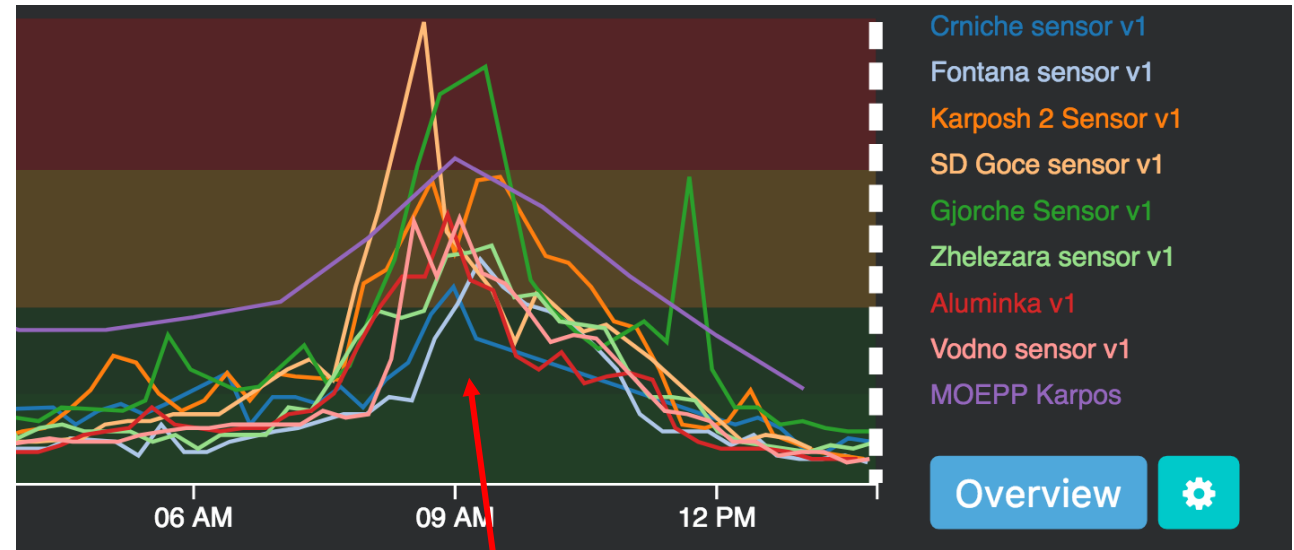
Beware of factory defects (cold sensitive RN2483)

# Story 2: When it's more than a number



Thunderstorm

PM10:




Forest fire (5km outside of the city)

# Story 3: Share & inspire


Student projects ongoing

- Best café to sit at right now?
- Smart trash collection
- SkopjeDashboard



# This Is My Architecture

DEMOCRATIZING LoRAWAN AND IOT  
WITH THE THINGS NETWORK



amazon  
web services

<http://tiny.cc/awsttn>



# Q & A

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