

Welcome!

6.1820/MAS.453: Mobile and Sensor Computing
aka IoT Systems

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IoT in the News

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Say hello to HaLow: Wi-Fi routers that can send 250Mbps across 10 miles (yes, 10 miles) have been demoed at CES 2025 and I'm very excited

News By [Efosa Udimwen](#) published January 11, 2025

From 18Mbps to 250Mbps, HaLow routers have significantly improved since 2016



 STATESCOOP 

EMERGING TECH

AI cameras, sensors, and sometimes drones aiding fight against L.A. wildfires

New technologies are aiding the battle against the blazes in Southern California, but high winds limit the use of drones, said one fire official.

BY [SOPHIA FOX-SOWELL](#) - JANUARY 14, 2025



What do you think about when you hear IoT?

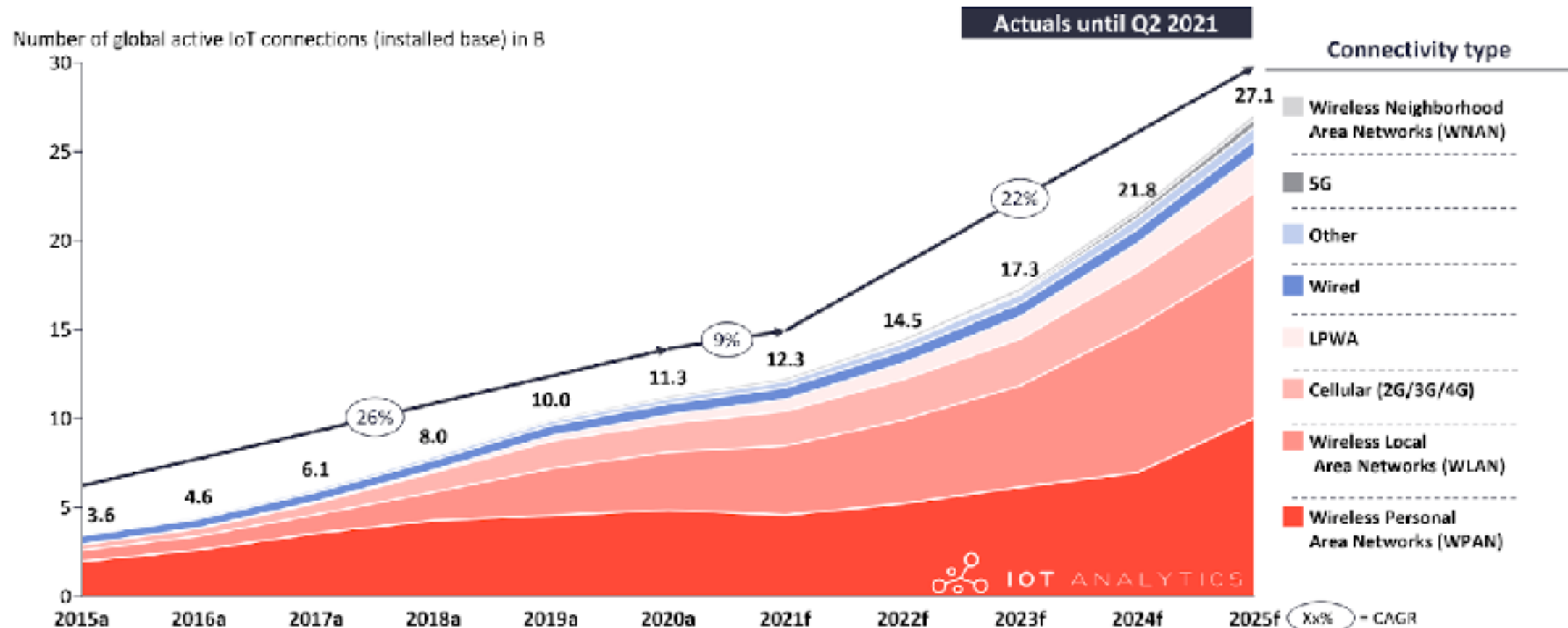
Internet of Things

Convergence of micro-sensing, computation, and communication that allows us to:

- *Acquire (sense)* data from the environment
- *Pre-process* data locally (on-device / “edge”)
- *Deliver* data to servers (“cloud”)
- *Draw inferences and provide insights* about the world from the data:
 - Sensor fusion, data integration
 - Signal processing
 - Machine learning
- *Control* actions in the environment

Focus of 6.1820: fundamentals, applications, and future of IoT

Global IoT market forecast (in billion connected IoT devices)

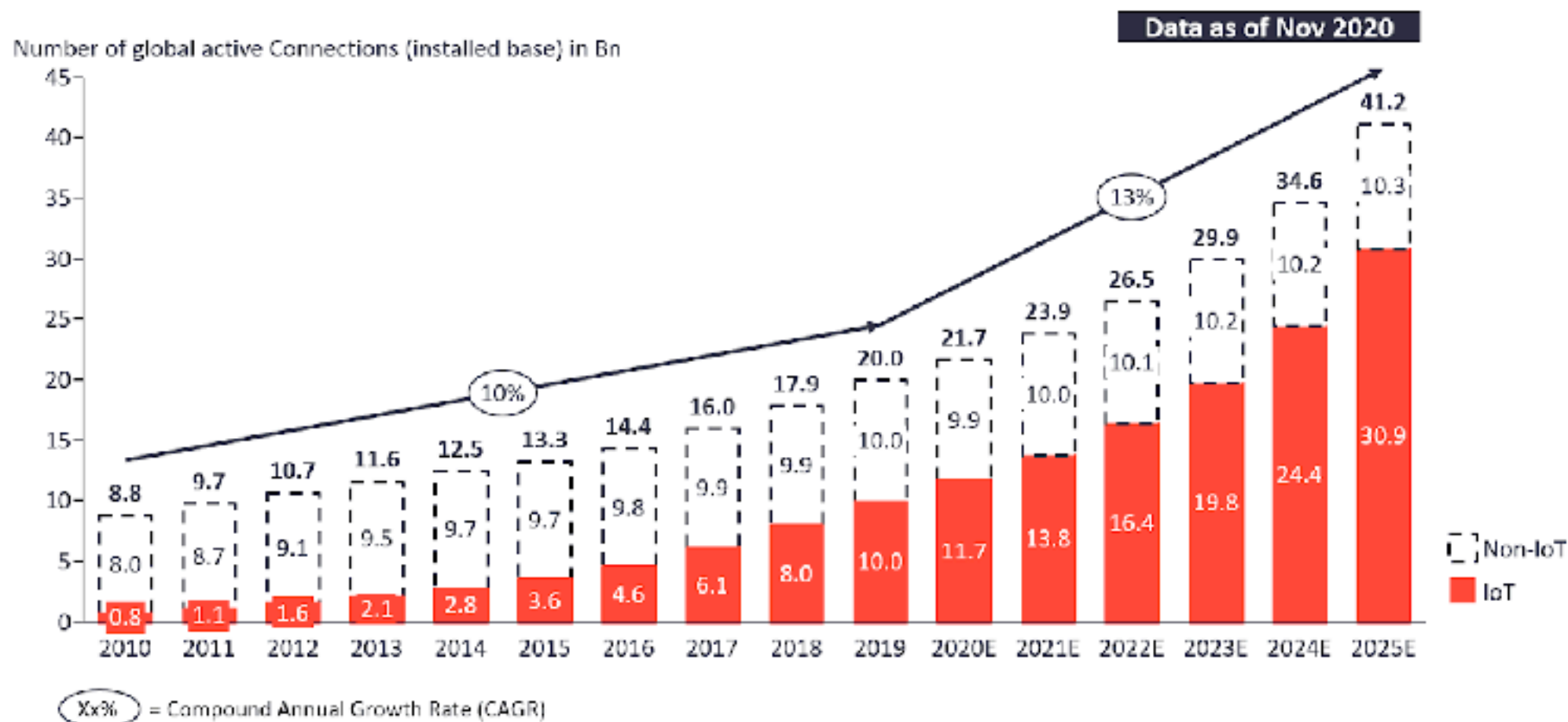


Note: IoT Connections do not include any computers, laptops, fixed phones, cellphones or tablets. Counted are active nodes/devices or gateways that concentrate the end-sensors, not every sensor/actuator. Simple one-directional communications technology not considered (e.g. RFID, NFC). Wired includes ethernet and fieldbuses (e.g. connected industrial PLCs or I/O modules). Cellular includes 2G, 3G, and 4G. LPWAN includes unlicensed and licensed low-power networks. WPAN includes Bluetooth, Zigbee, Z-Wave, or similar. WLAN includes Wi-Fi and related protocols. WNAN includes non-short range mesh, such as W-SUN. Other includes satellite and unclassified proprietary networks with any range.

Source: IoT Analytics Research, September 2021 – Please remember to cite IoT Analytics as the source (with link) when re-sharing this content as per our copyright policy

Total number of device connections (incl. Non-IoT)

20.0Bn in 2019— expected to grow 13% to 41.2Bn in 2025

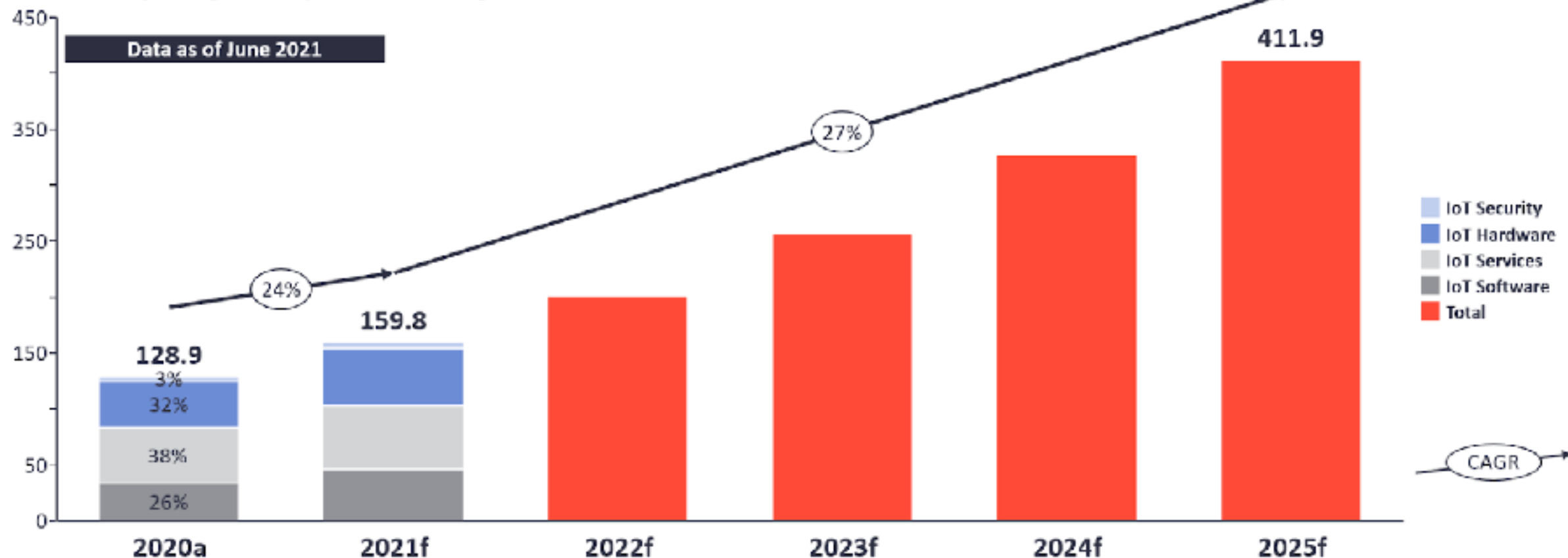


Note: Non-IoT includes all mobile phones, tablets, PCs, laptops, and fixed line phones. IoT includes all consumer and B2B devices connected – see IoT break-down for further details

Source(s): IoT Analytics - Cellular IoT & LPWA Connectivity Market Tracker 2010-25

IoT Enterprise Spending 2020 – 2025

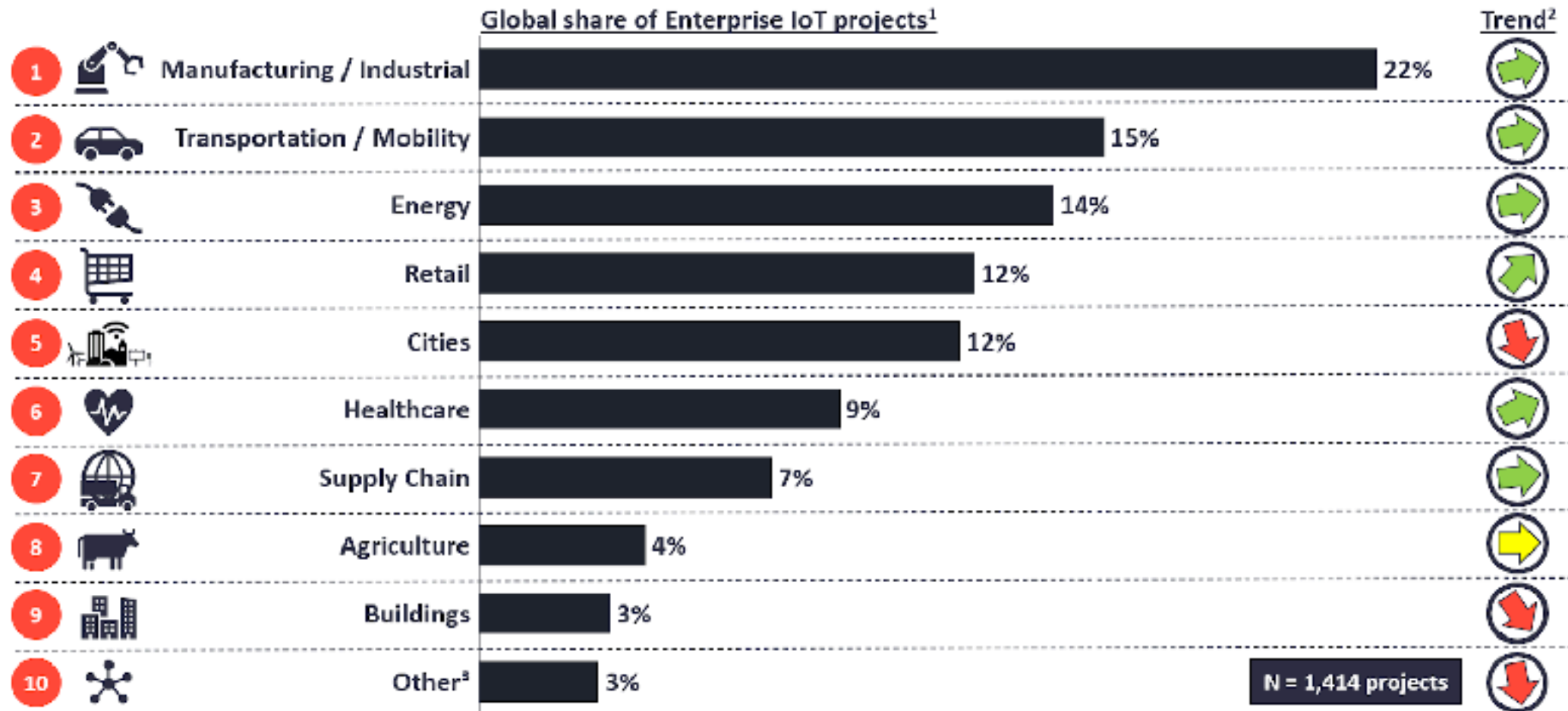
Global Spending on Enterprise IoT Technologies, in \$B



Note: IoT Analytics defines IoT as a network of internet-enabled physical objects. Objects that become internet-enabled (IoT devices) typically interact via embedded systems, some form of network communication, or a combination of edge and cloud computing. The data from IoT-connected devices is often used to create novel end-user applications. Connected personal computers, tablets, and smartphones are not considered IoT, although these may be part of the solution setup. Devices connected via extremely simple connectivity methods, such as radio frequency identification or quick response codes, are not considered IoT devices. . a: Actuals, f: Forecast

Source: IoT Analytics Research 2021

Top 10 IoT Application areas 2020



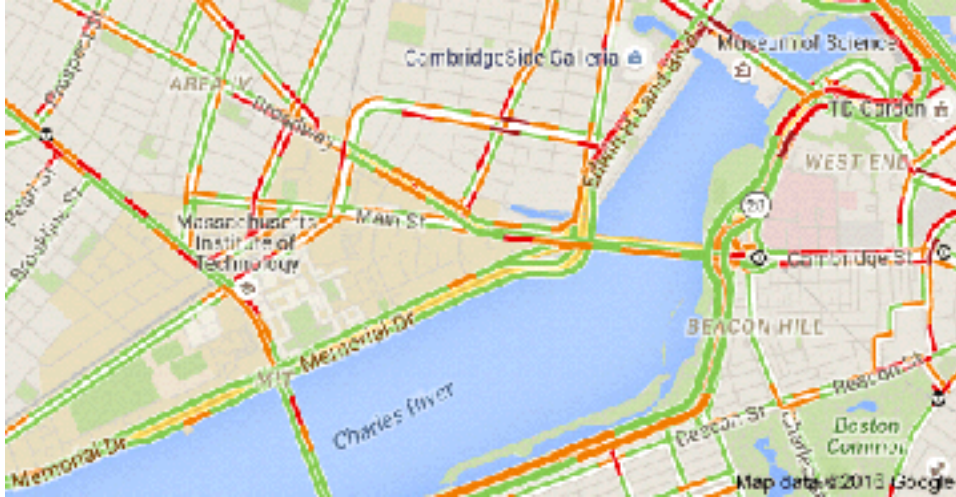
Note: 1. Based on 1,414 publicly known IoT projects (not including consumer IoT projects eg smart home, wearables, etc.) 2. Trend based on relative comparison with % of projects in the 2019 IoT Analytics IoT project list (eg., a downward arrow means the relative share of all projects has declined, not the overall number of projects.) 3. Other includes IoT projects from Enterprise & Finance sectors. Source: IoT Analytics Research - July 2020

Connected solutions bring increased vehicle uptime for our customers, better safety for drivers, operators and other road users and of course – less emissions of carbon dioxide.

– Martin Lundstedt, CEO of the Volvo Group, Oct 2019

IoT is Transforming Industries

Transportation & Smart Cities



Medicine



Smart Homes



Health & Wellness



Connected Vehicles

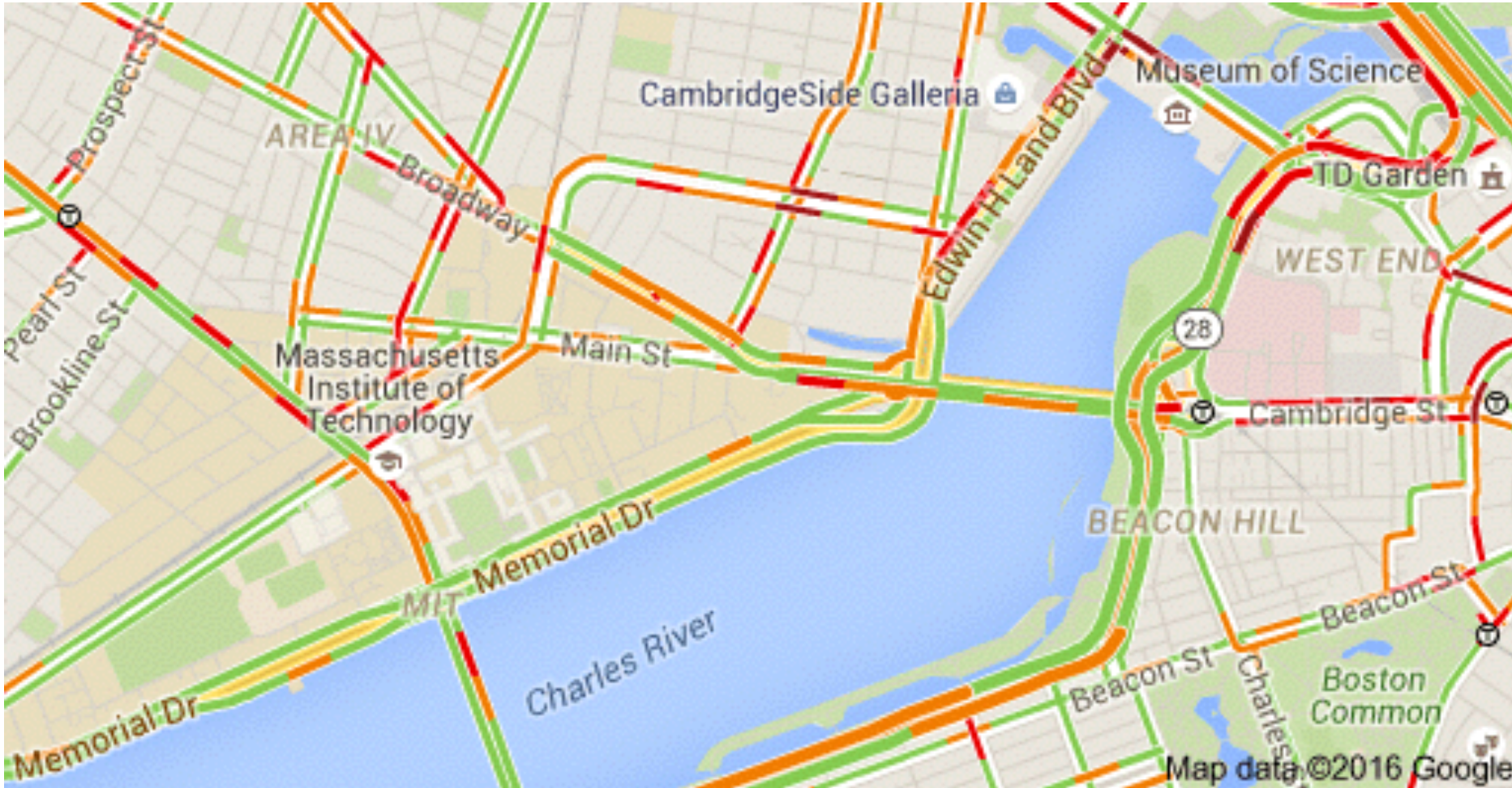


Precision Agriculture

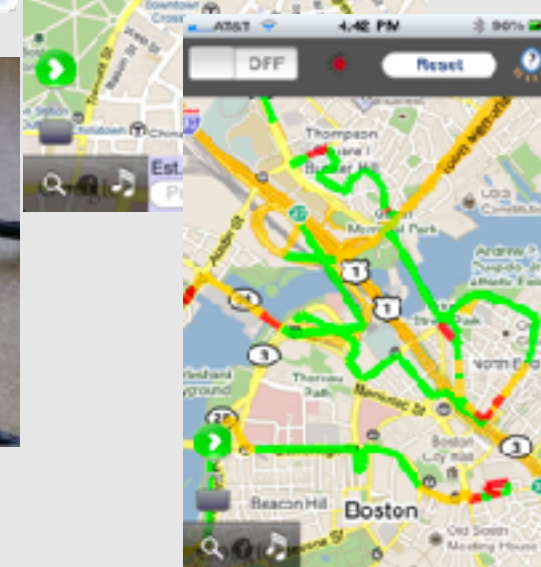
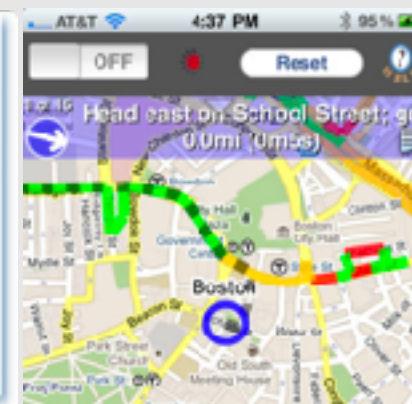
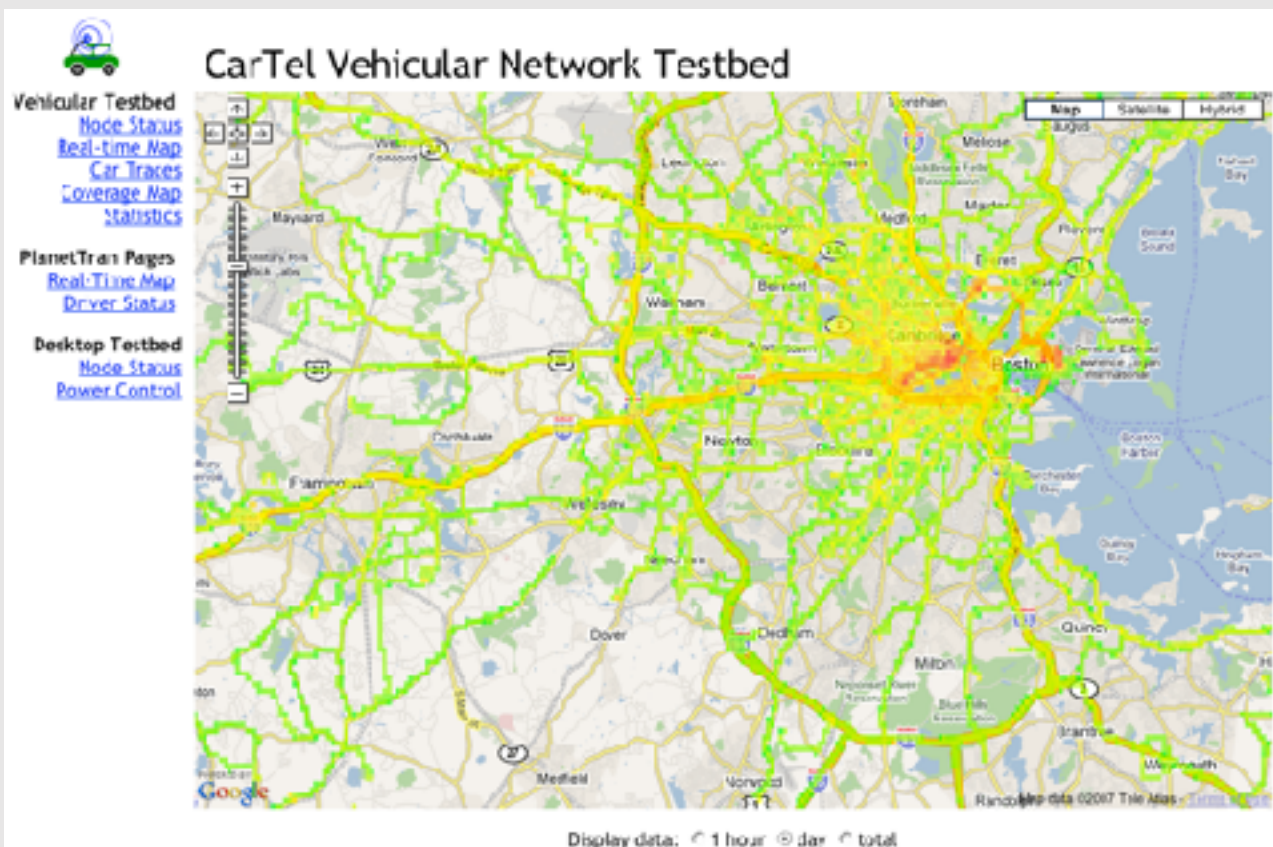


Example systems we will cover

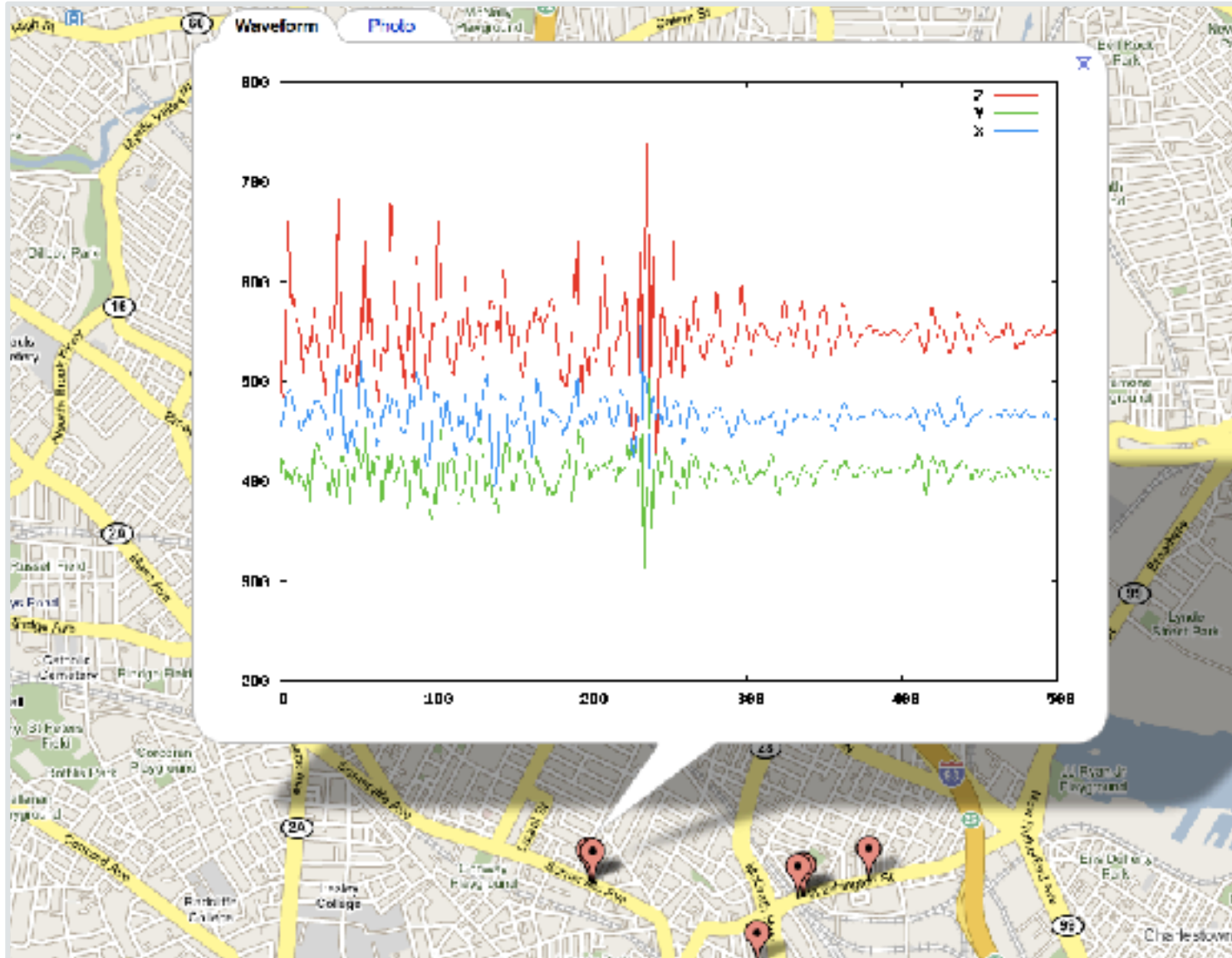
Transportation & Smart Cities



CarTel Project at MIT (2005-2011)



Pothole Patrol





Insurance Telematics Market Size to Reach USD 18.7 Billion by 2032 | Growing Demand for Personalized Insurance Solutions Fuels Market Growth | Research by SNS Insider

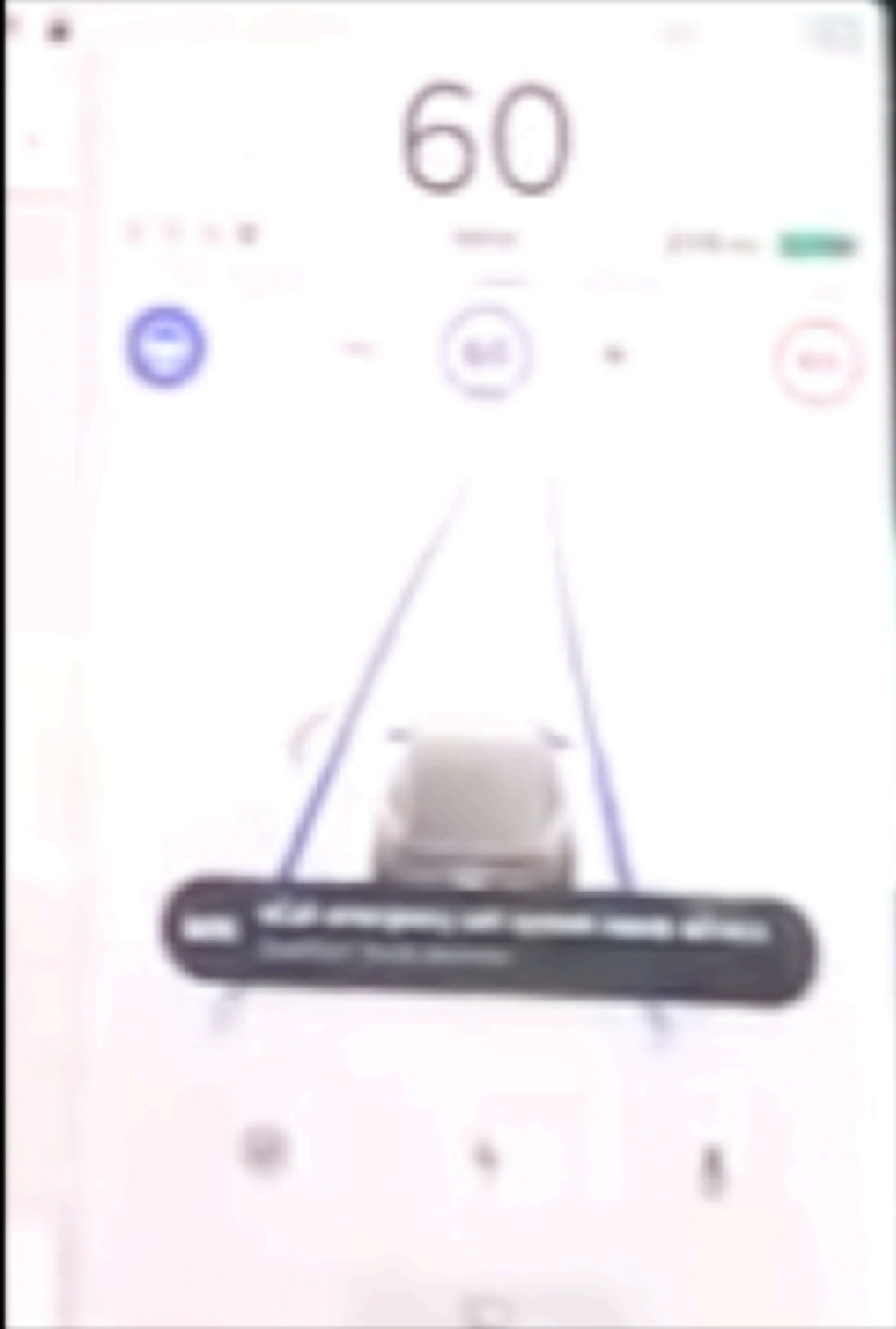
The insurance telematics market is experiencing significant growth, driven by the increasing demand for personalized insurance products and the increasing use of telematics to promote safer driving practices.

October 22, 2024 09:00 ET | Source: [SNS Insider pvt ltd](#)

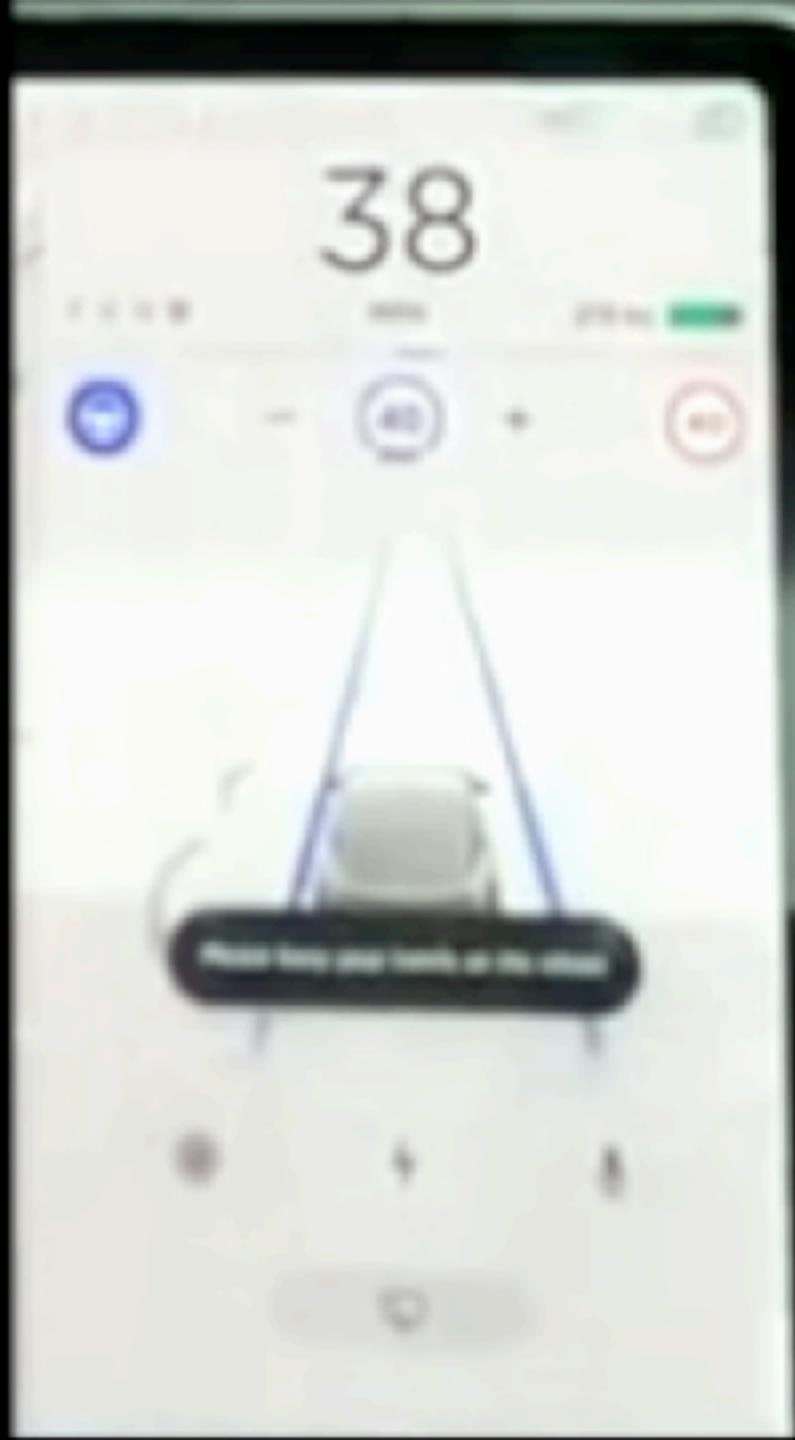
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Fully Autonomous Driving (Self-driving cars)

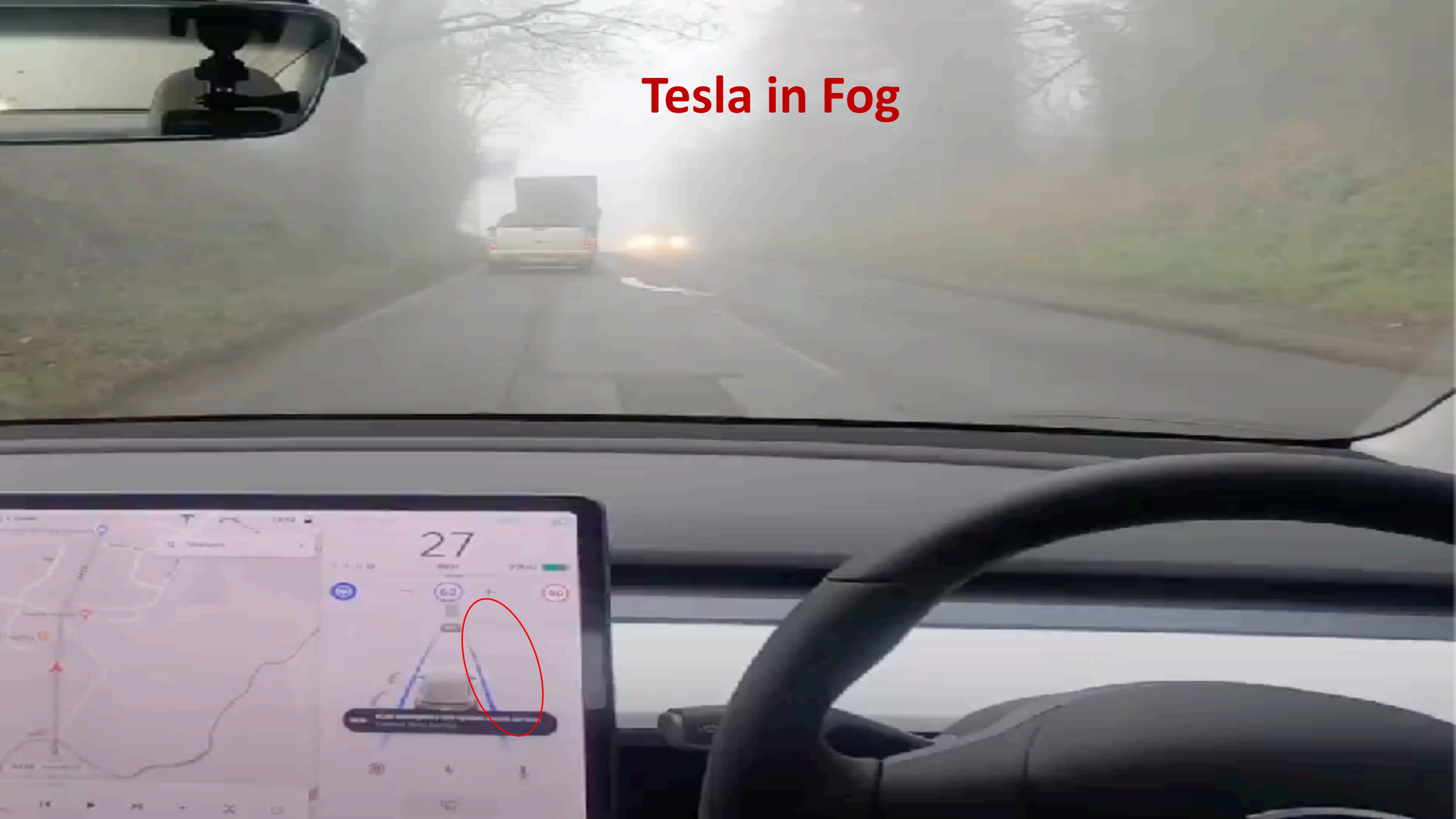
Tesla in Clear Conditions



Tesla in Fog

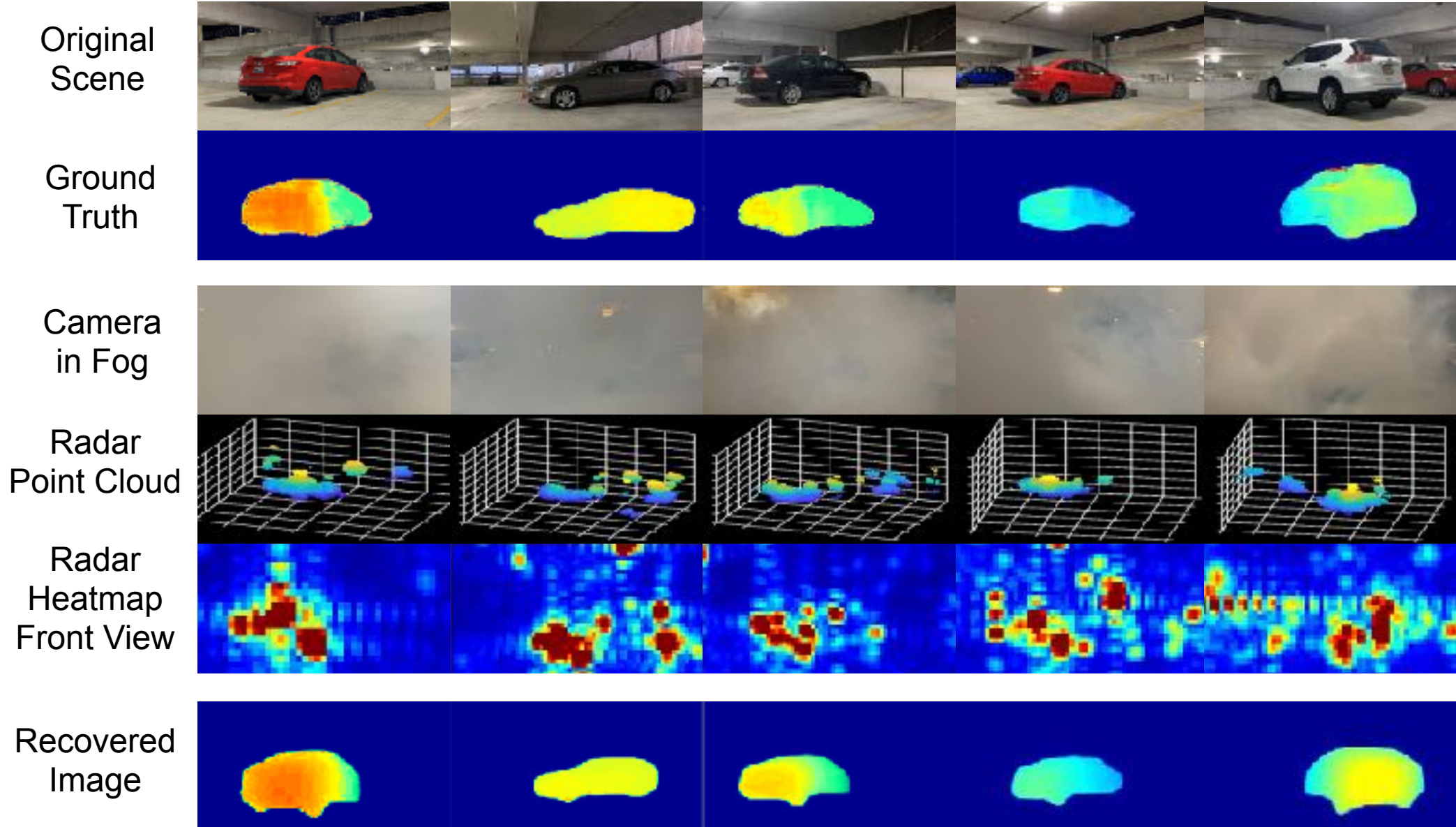


Tesla in Fog



Why does it fail in adverse conditions?

Using AI-powered radars to see through fog

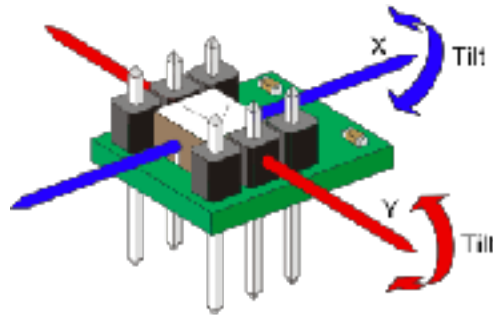


IoT Systems are designed along 4 quadrants



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Sensing Tasks
& Modalities



Computation



Power/Energy



Connectivity



Sensing Tasks and Modalities

Sensing = bridge between the physical and digital worlds

WHAT?

(1) Locations



(2) Health



(3) Activity



(4) Environment



(5) Vehicles

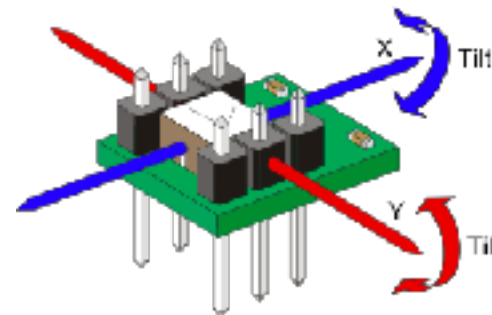


HOW?

(1) Radio



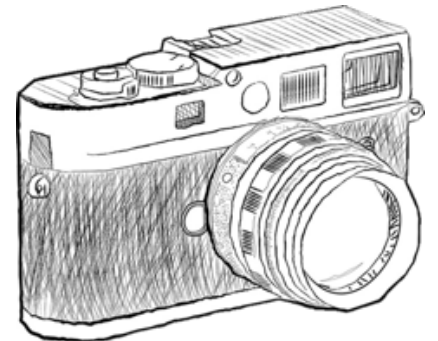
(3) Inertial



(2) Acoustic/
Ultrasonic



(4) Visual



Computation

HOW can we use the sensing modalities to achieve the sensing task?

(1) Programming model



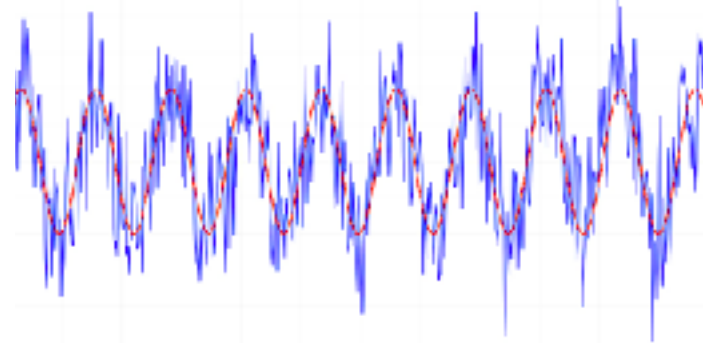
- Embedded
- Mobile
- Edge/Cloud

(2) Data Management



- Storage
- Queries

(3) Signal Processing & Machine Learning



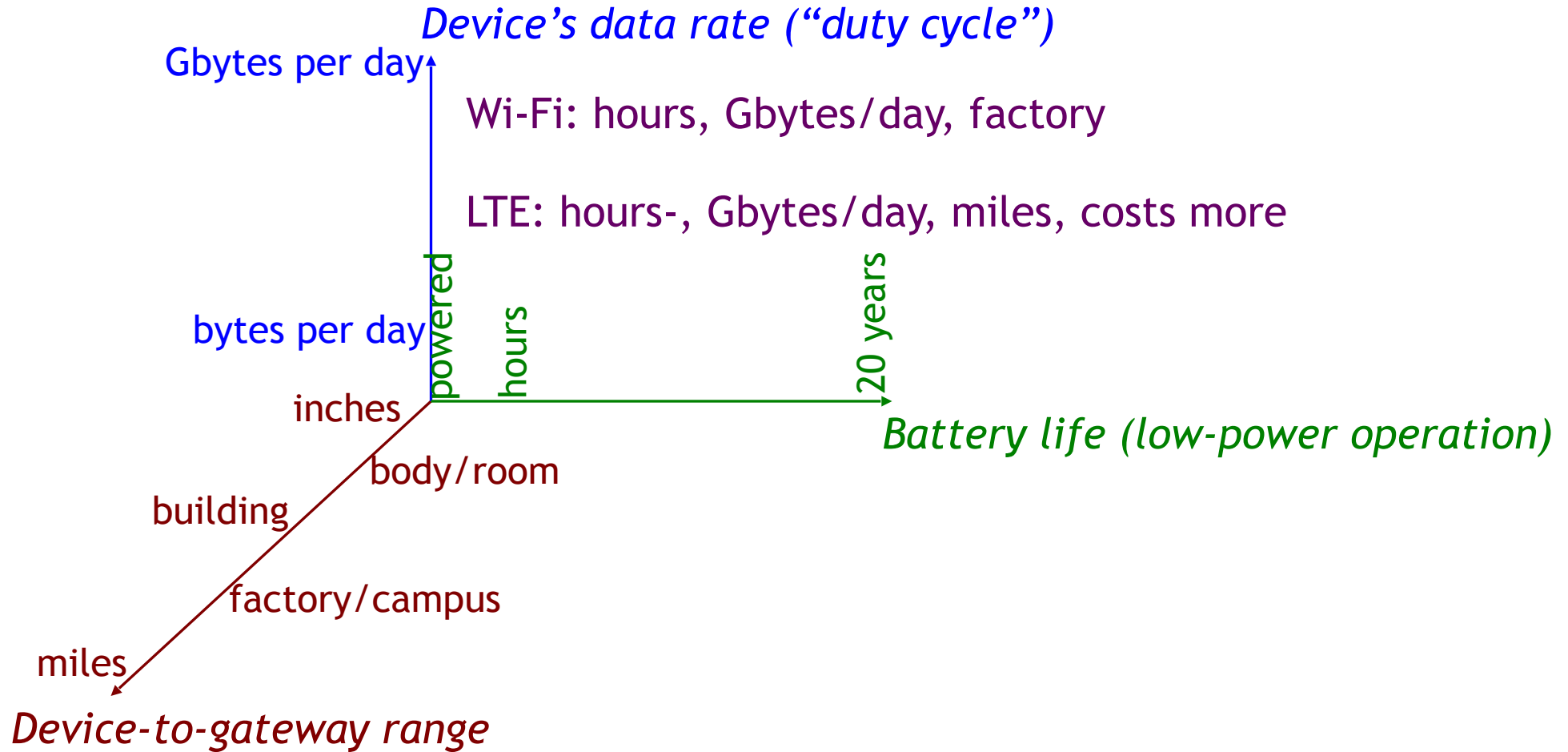
- Digitization
- Inference & Machine Learning

(4) Security



- Digital, Analog
- Trust, Privacy

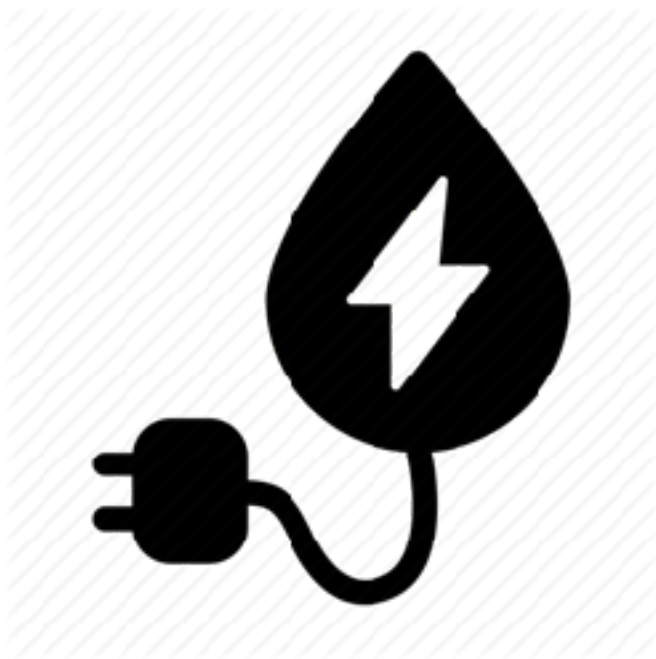
Connectivity



Power/Energy

HOW will we power the nodes? And what are the energy constraints?

(1) Infrastructure



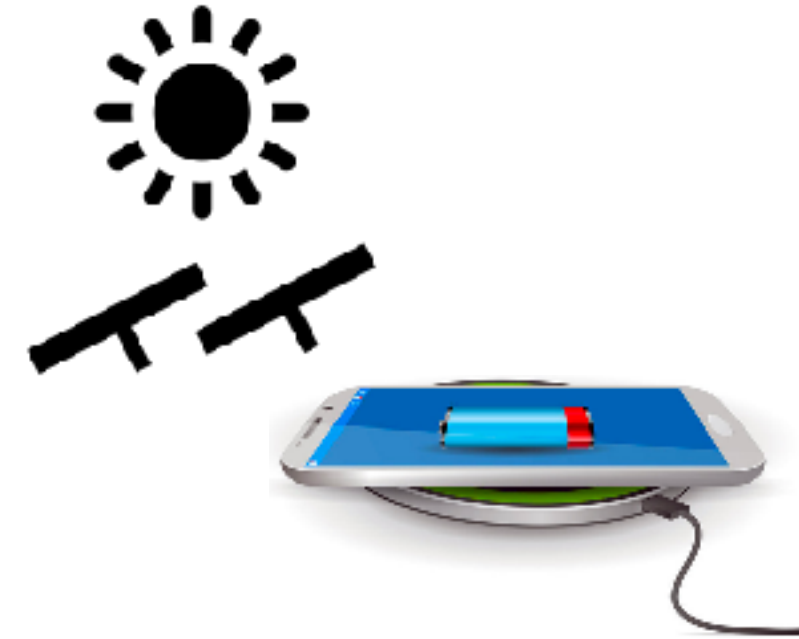
- Electricity, Network

(2) Battery



- Rechargeable/Non

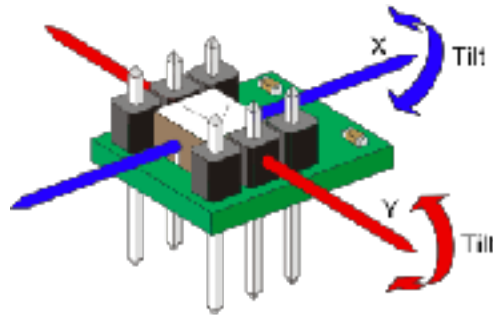
(3) Energy Harvesting



- Ambient, Wireless power
- Solar, Waves, Human Activity, RF

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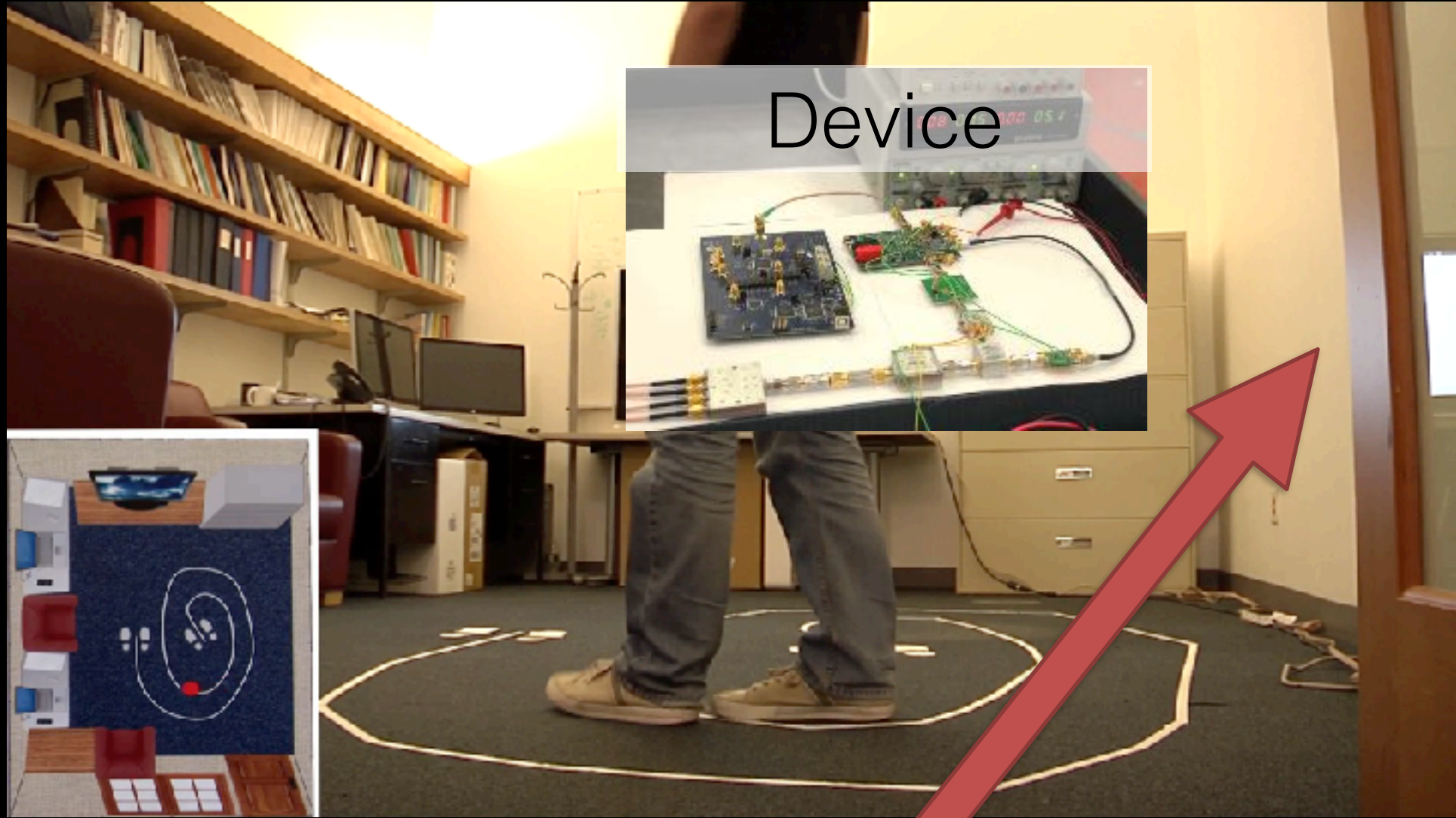
Connectivity



Indoor Positioning (Cricket, 2001)

Accurate Localization (Cricket, 2003)

Device-Free Localization (WiTrack, 2014)

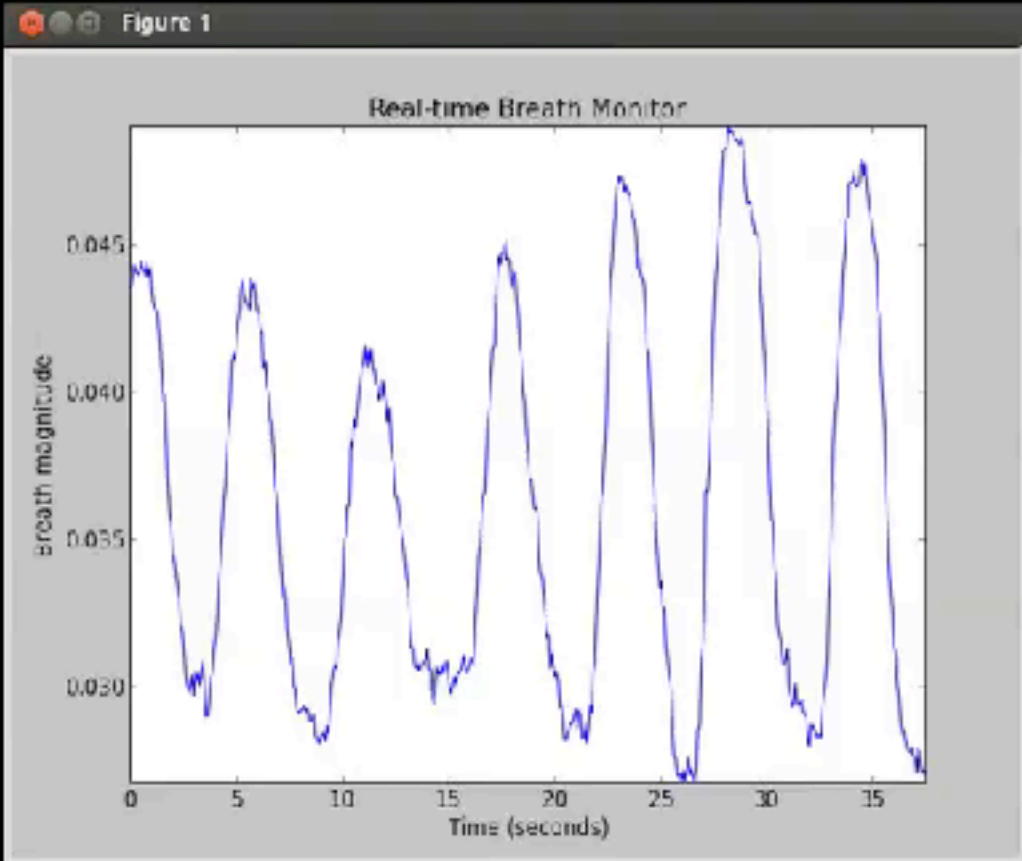


Device in another room

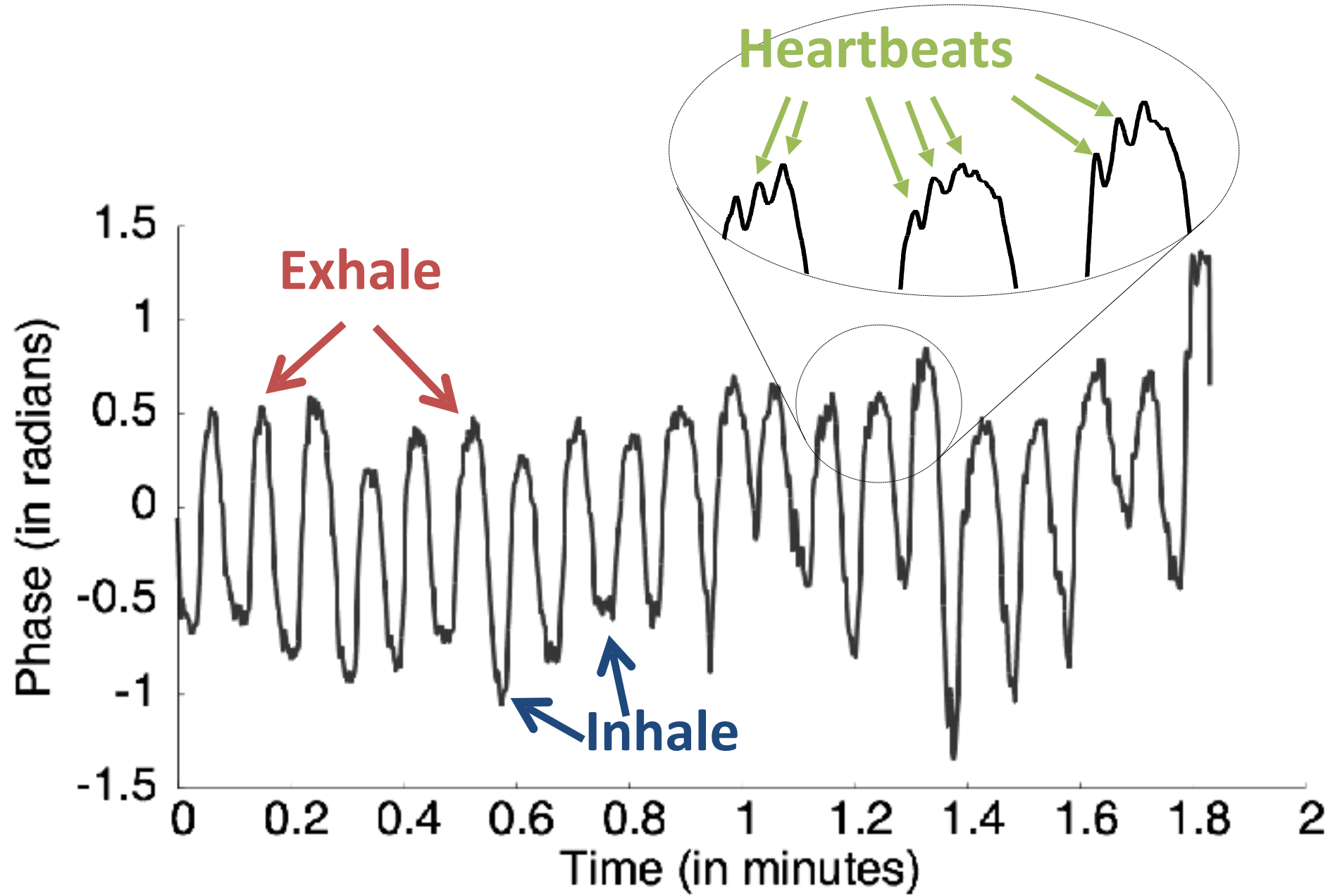
Seeing Through Walls (RF-Capture, 2015)



Breath Monitoring using Wireless (Vital-Radio, 2015)



Let's zoom in on respiration signals



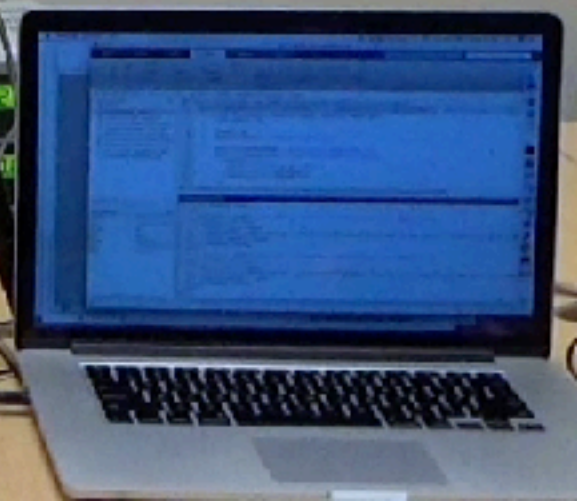
Baby Monitoring



Mobile Security

Case Study: Inaudible Voice Commands

Can hack Android/Alexa using inaudible voice commands



Mixed Reality + LLMs

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GREATER SEATTLE AREA

XaiR

An XR Platform that Integrates Large Language Models with the Physical World

Sruti Srinidhi, Edward Lu, Anthony Rowe

Carnegie
Mellon
University

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Prompt

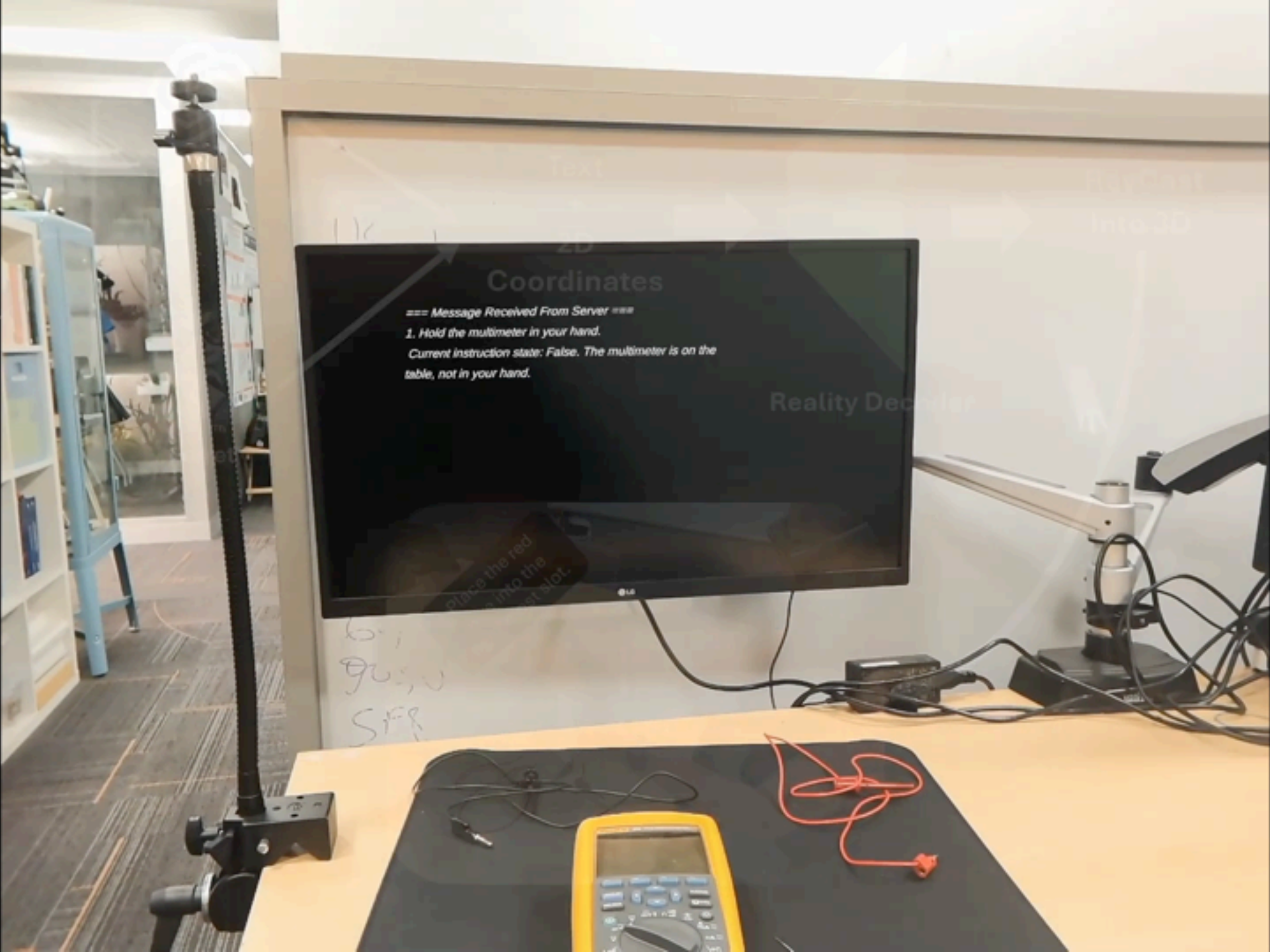
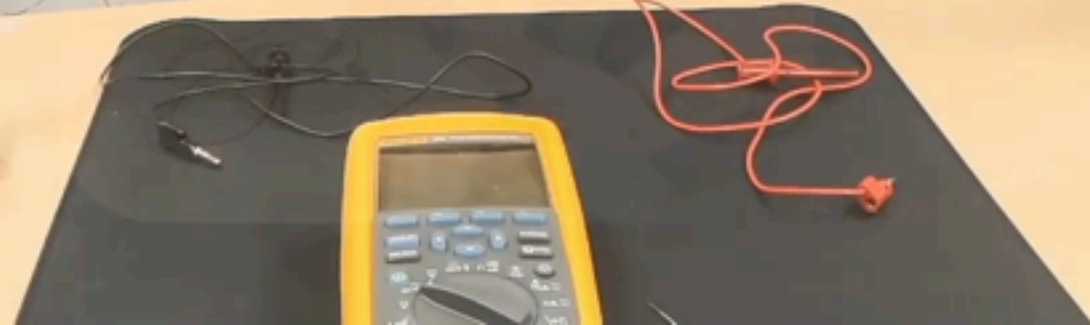
Coordinates

=== Message Received From Server ===

1. Hold the multimeter in your hand.

Current instruction state: False. The multimeter is on the table, not in your hand.

6.1
905,0
SFR



End-to-end IoT System

Case Study: Precision Agriculture



What plays the largest role in the world's climate?

An aerial photograph of a vast, deep green ocean. The water's surface is textured with small waves and ripples. In the upper portion of the image, a layer of white and grey clouds is visible against a pale sky. The overall scene is serene and emphasizes the scale of the ocean.

What plays the largest role in the world's climate?

The Ocean

What plays the largest role in the world's climate?

The Ocean

> 90%
of heat content

> 93%
of planet CO₂

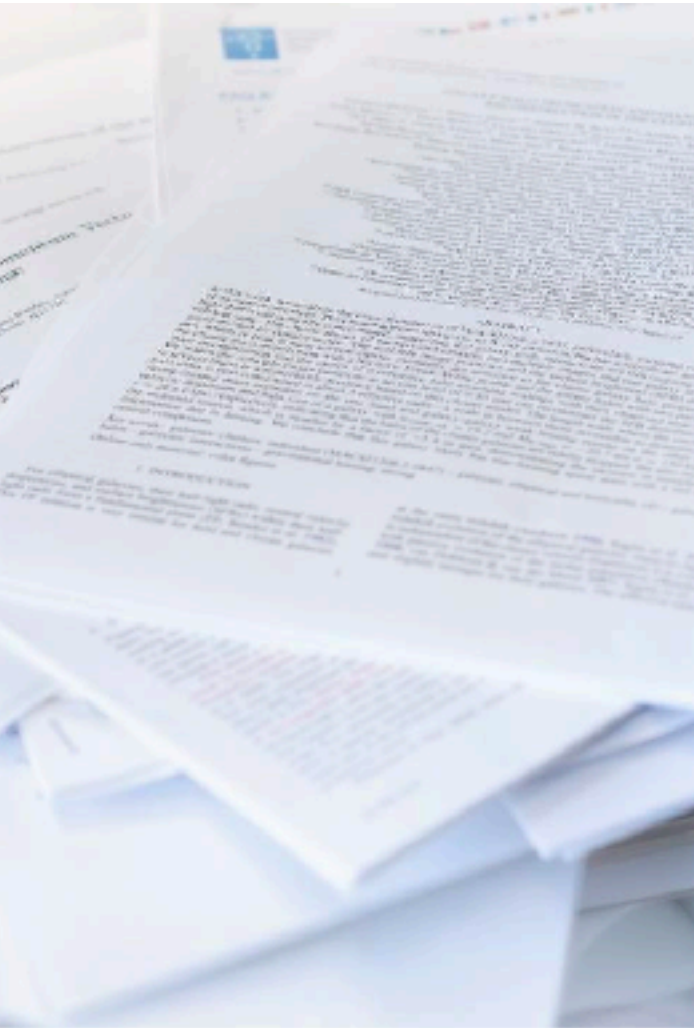
What percent of the ocean has **never** been observed?

> 95%

Building an internet of
things to observe the
underwater world



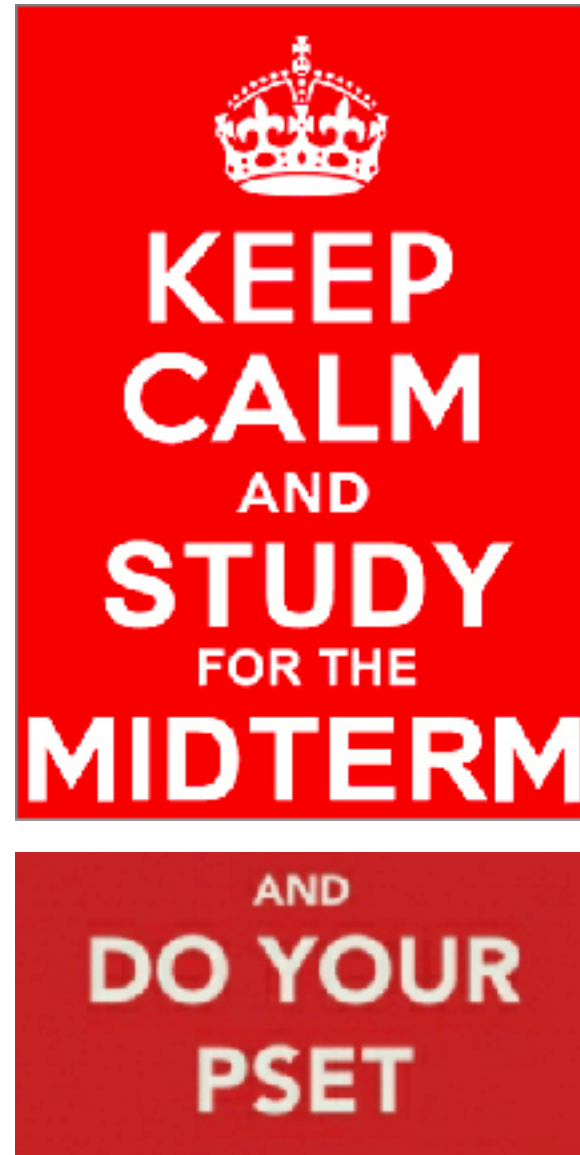
Course Organization



Reading & Reviewing Papers



Mobile (iOS) Labs



Class Project

Logistics

Grading:

- 1 Course Project (40%)
- 4+1 Labs (25%)
- 1 Quiz: April 17, during lecture (15%)
- 2 PSets (10%)
- Participation (10%)
 - Includes answering questions before every lecture
 - May skip one review without affecting grade
 - Attendance is mandatory

Website: <https://6mobile.github.io/>

Slack:  slack

Upcoming: iOS Tutorial (Fri 10-11AM, TBD location, not mandatory, but need to check off)

Attendance is mandatory
Zoom may be fall-back for
medical reasons

Counts toward:
AUS2, DLAB2, II
requirements

Policies

Late Policy

Late +Pset lab policy: 72 hours

AI Policy

Permitted uses:

- Debugging, refactoring, optimizing code
- Concept explanation
- Brainstorming with AI

Prohibited Use:

- Writing Reviews & Answering Questions about papers

Disclosure Requirement:

- If you use it AI in any capacity, you must disclose it, and explain how it's used (examples on website)

More details on the [course website](#)

iOS Labs (Need iPhone/iPad and Mac)

iPad loaner:

- request via this form: <https://ist.mit.edu/loaner-equipment/ipad-terms>
- We also have some iPhones to loan if IS&T run out

Mac loaner (first-come first-serve):

- ~~request via this form~~ <http://kb.mit.edu/confluence/x/GQdS>
- We will get loaners for those who need them this year (and fill in the form that was sent in Slack)

Please request them asap, will send the links in Slack

Projects

Students have most fun & learn most from the projects

- All projects involve system implementation
- Ideal group size: 3
- Will suggest project ideas; students can choose their own projects

Timeline:

- Proposal (1-2 pages): April 1
 - We meet on April 8 & 10 (during class time) to give feedback
- Project Final Components Due: April 15
- Project titles & abstracts: May 6
- Project demos & presentations: May 13

Sample 6.1820 Projects (past years)

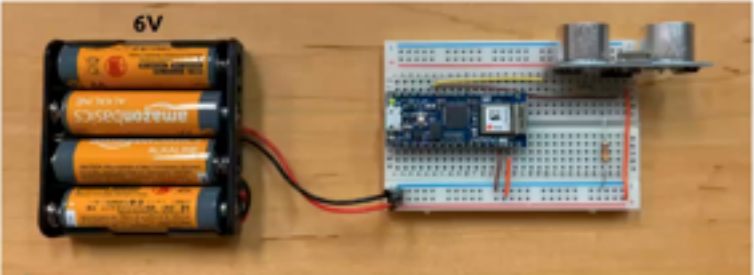


1. ATTACH SENSORS

Final Presentation - Group 11

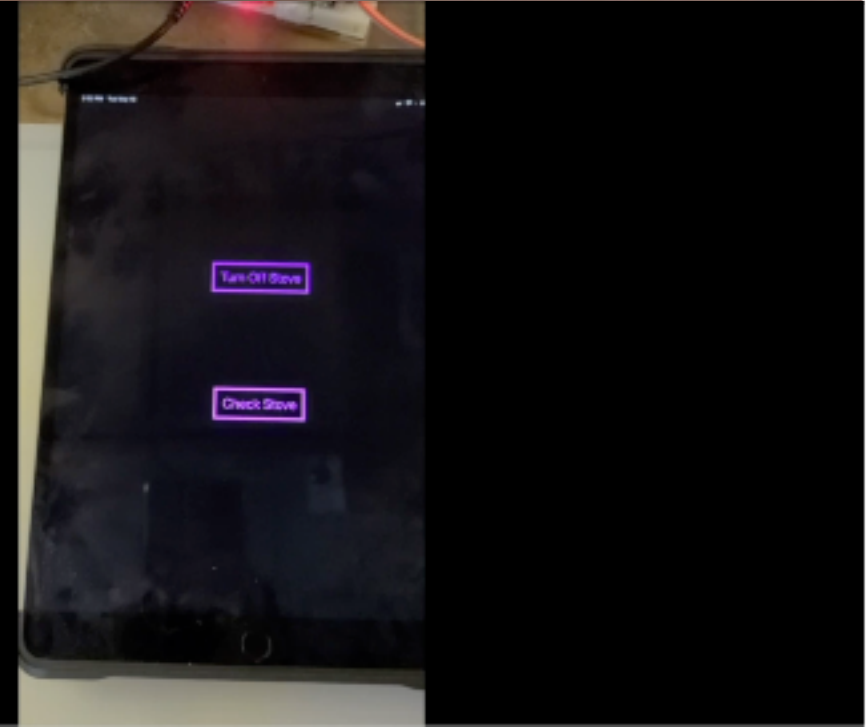

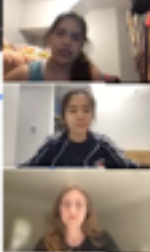
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Arduino Schematic



6V

Arduino Nano 33 IoT: 57 mA (with BLE)	Battery: 8000 mAh
Ultrasonic Sensor: 15 mA	Duration: $8000/72 \approx 111$ hours
Total: 72 mA	



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Feb 1 First day of classes LEC 1: Introduction and Key Ideas Assigned: Lab 0		Feb 6 LEC 2: Fundamentals of IoT Localization Preparation: Read Location-based Services, Wikipedia: GPS (Questions)	Feb 7 iOS Tutorial 10am-11am, Room TBD.
	Feb 11 Preparation: Read Developments of Inertial Sensing		Feb 13 LEC 4: Seeing through Walls & Device-Free Localization Preparation: Read WITTrack	
Feb 17 President's Day			Feb 20 LEC 5: Network Connectivity (BLE, low-power WAN, Wi-Fi, cellular, 5G) Preparation: Read gps surveillance DUE: Lab 1	
			Feb 27 LEC 7: Batteryless Connectivity & Smart Cities Preparation: Read Hacking RFID's Assigned: Lab 2	
			Mar 5 LEC 9: Pothole detection Preparation: Read Pothole Patrol DUE: Post 1	
			Mar 13	
Mar 24 Spring Break				Mar 28 Spring Break
	DUE: Project Proposals			
	Apr 8 Project meetings (No lecture; meet with staff during class time) DUE: Lab 4			
	Apr 15 Quiz review session during class DUE: Final Project Components List			
Apr 21 Poindexter Day	Apr 22 Project meetings (No lecture; meet with staff during class time) Drop Date			
	Apr 29 Project meetings (No lecture; meet with staff during class time)			
	May 5 Project meetings (No lecture; meet with staff during class time) DUE: Project Titles and Abstracts			
	May 13 Final Presentations DUE: Presentations and Demos Last Day of Classes			May 16 Finals begin

New Topics:

- Earables
- Mixed reality with LLMs
- Self-driving cars

If the exam deadline conflicts with any religious observance, please let us know asap

Note:
 For cross-registered students, please make sure you are available for all classes and there's no conflict on exams/etc.

Will collect feedback within 2-3 weeks of the beginning of the semester