

### **FREE Live Webinar**

Data driven IoT for the housing industry – How metr solved indoor connectivity issues

#### **Speakers**



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### **EMnify** IoT Webinars

Cellular Connectivity

Anywhere In The World



Seamless Integration
In the Cloud







#### **IoT Customer Cases**Their Challenges and Solutions



Smart Agriculture



e-Health



e-Scooter



Smart Building



GPS Tracker



Industry

#### **Partners**

Their view on State of Art IoT Technology



Wireless Modem



Sensors



Antenas

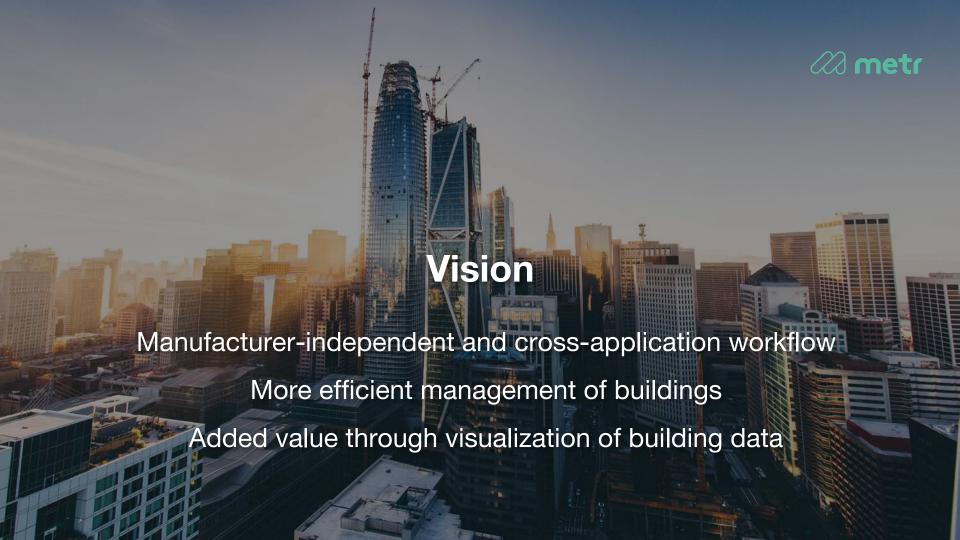


Batteries

# Agenda

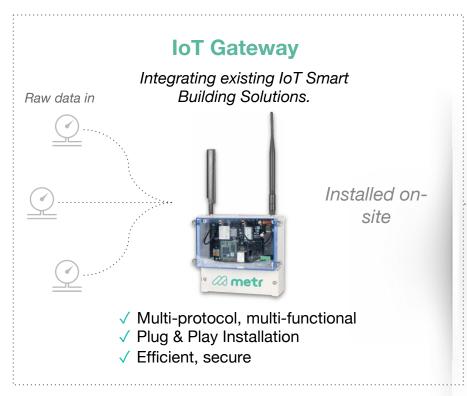
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#### metr Hardware and Software



#### **Customer Portal**

Single interface. Integrated in Customer ERP systems.



- √ All data of operating systems in one place
- √ Real-time monitoring & automatic reports
- Advanced analytics through Al & Big Data (pattern recognition/ early detection of faults and malfunctions)



















#### metr Products



#### **Smart Submetering**

- · Heat, water and smoke detectors
- Monthly energy consumption information: legal obligation by 2022
- · Early detection of installation errors
- Manufacturer independency more flexibility in negotiating prices for meters



#### Guard for Heating System

- Retro-fit solution for old systems
- Optimizing heating system
- Increased utilization and availability of the heating system
- Reduction of consequential damage costs



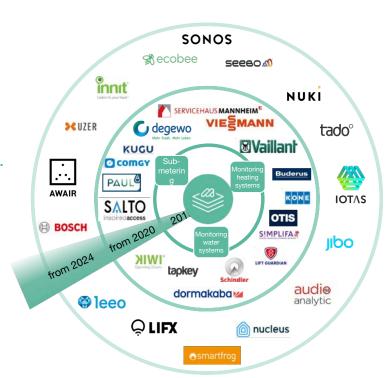
#### Guard for Water System

- Retro-fit solution for old systems
- Detection of deviations from temperature limits in real time
- Monitoring for conditions for Legionella bacteria growth
- Reduction of costs through early detection of damage



#### metr Platform

Our goal is to build an IoT platform that enables long-term added value for our customers by providing access to a large amount and variety of building data.



- metr Platform for metr products
- Integrating 3rd party applications (B2B)
- Integrating Smart Homes (B2B2C)

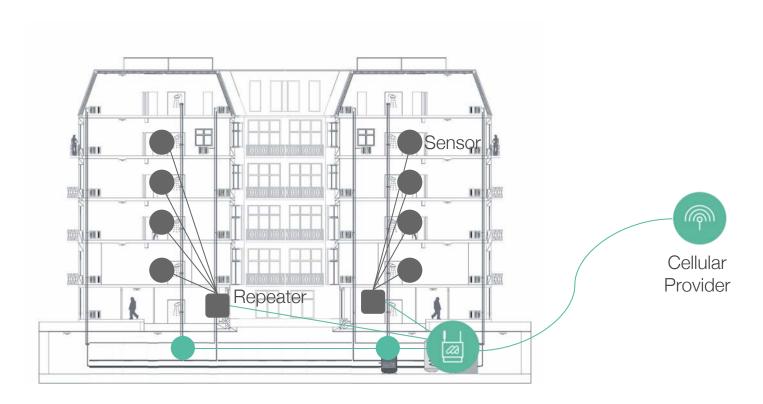
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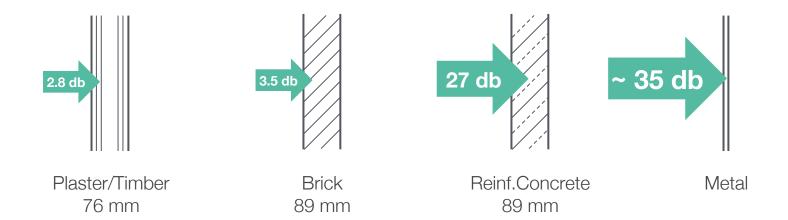
# Connectivity Challenges





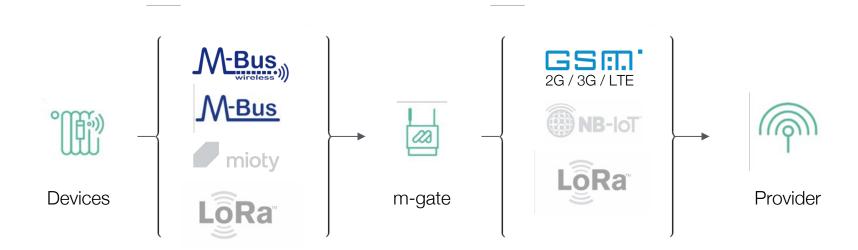
## Signal Loss Factors

@ 900 MHz





#### What metr does





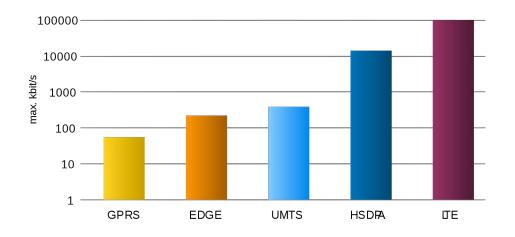
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### GSM / 3G / LTE

- coverage (EU wide)
- reliability
- network agnostic provider
- usable from UMTS on





# Wireless MBus (868 MHz)

- mostly unidirectional
- many devices and repeater available
- limited reach
- de-facto standard

data rate 50 kbit/s reach (experience, indoor) max. 4 - 5 building

storeys

telegram size 255 Bytes







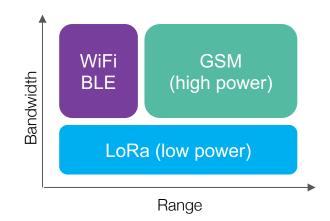
# LoRa (868 MHz)

- LoRa WAN not enough coverage
- improved connectivity (concrete)
- duty cycle limitations (1%)
- few devices available

data rate
11 kbit/s
reach (claimed, outdoor)
telegram size

250 bit/s -

multiple kilometers 255 Byte



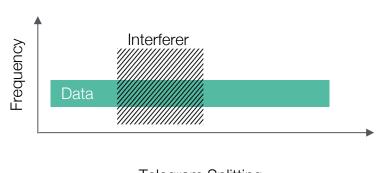


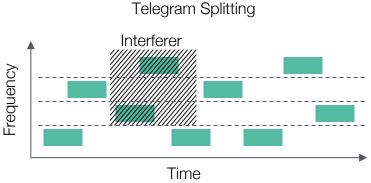
# Mioty (868 MHz)

- avoids duty cycle by splitting
- high fault tolerance by splitting
- high resource consumption
- few devices available

data rate bit/s reach (claimed, outdoor) telegram size 407

5-15 km 250 Byte







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## Connectivity (dB,dBi,dBm)

$$EIRP = P_T - L_C + G_a$$

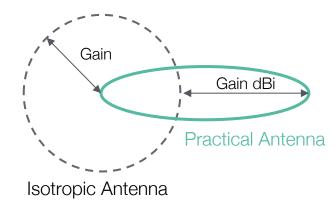
Where,

*EIRP* (Effective Isotropic Radiated Power) = Output power of a signal when it is concentrated into a smaller area by the antenna

 $P_T = \text{Output power of the transmitter (dBm)}$ 

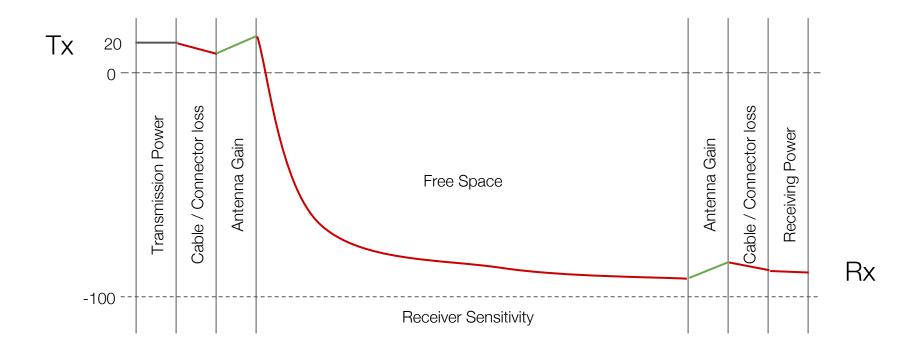
 $L_C = \text{Cable Loss (dB)}$ 

 $G_{\alpha} = Antenna Gain (dBi)$ 



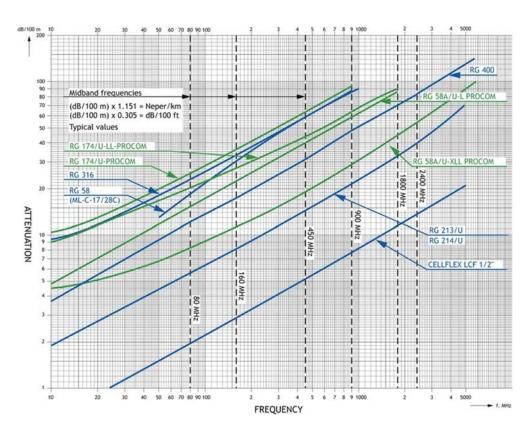


## Signal Loss Factors





### Cable Loss



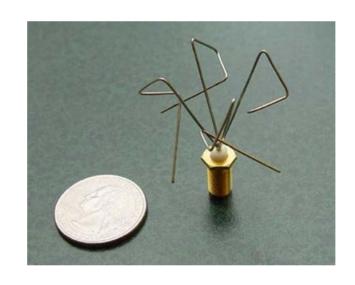


...and... we are hiring!



# **Evolutionary Antennas**

NASA ST-5-3-10 "achieves high gain (2-4dB)"





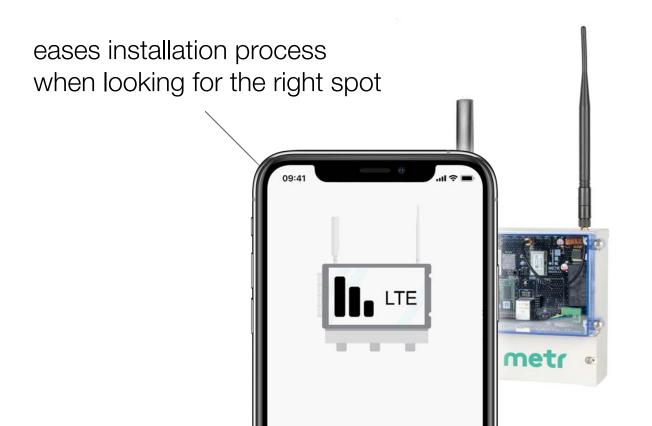
### Indoor Antennas

- keep cable length short
- do not crimp yourself
- DELOCK 88571 (GSM/LTE) Gain ~ 2 dbi
- RF Solutions
   ANT-8WHIP3H-SMA (868 MHz) Gain ~ 3 dbi





## Responsive Hardware



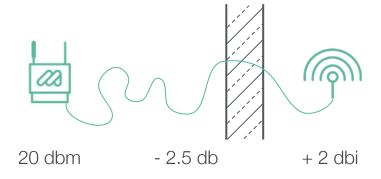


#### Indoor Antenna





#### Outdoor Antenna



19.5 dbm



#### **Outdoor Antennas**

- flat window cable
- vandalism / theft
- exposure to rain, sun and snow
- dripping edge
- DELOCK 88749 (GSM/LTE) Gain ~ 2 dbi
- DELOCK 89533 (868 MHz) Gain ~ 2 dbi



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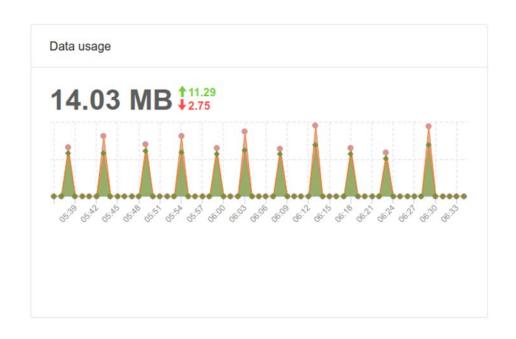


## Bandwidth Optimization

500 MB: € 2 / m \*

250 MB: € 1.2 / m \*

Saving € 0.80 / device on 10k devices = € 8000 / m



<sup>\*</sup> Wunschpreis metr



## Bandwidth Optimization

#### health messages

frequent, little data, low security relevance, fixed schema

> be slim and verbose, use faf or MQTT

#### data messages

scheduled, more data, high security, variable

- > send data only if needed and drop rubbish data
- > gzip compression



## Bandwidth Optimization

```
message Test1 { optional int32 a = 1; }
in Json
in Protobuf (min. 32-bit Ints)
in Byte Packing
1 Byte (as 8-bit Int)
```

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Thank you! Q&A