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Sigfox Makers Tour #21



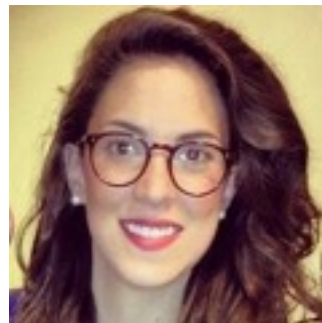
Introduction





IoTnet
MÉXICO

The first IoT network in Mexico



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About Sigfox

IoT Communication Service

Available in 32 countries right now

Low Energy + Simplicity

Chipsets from several major silicon vendors



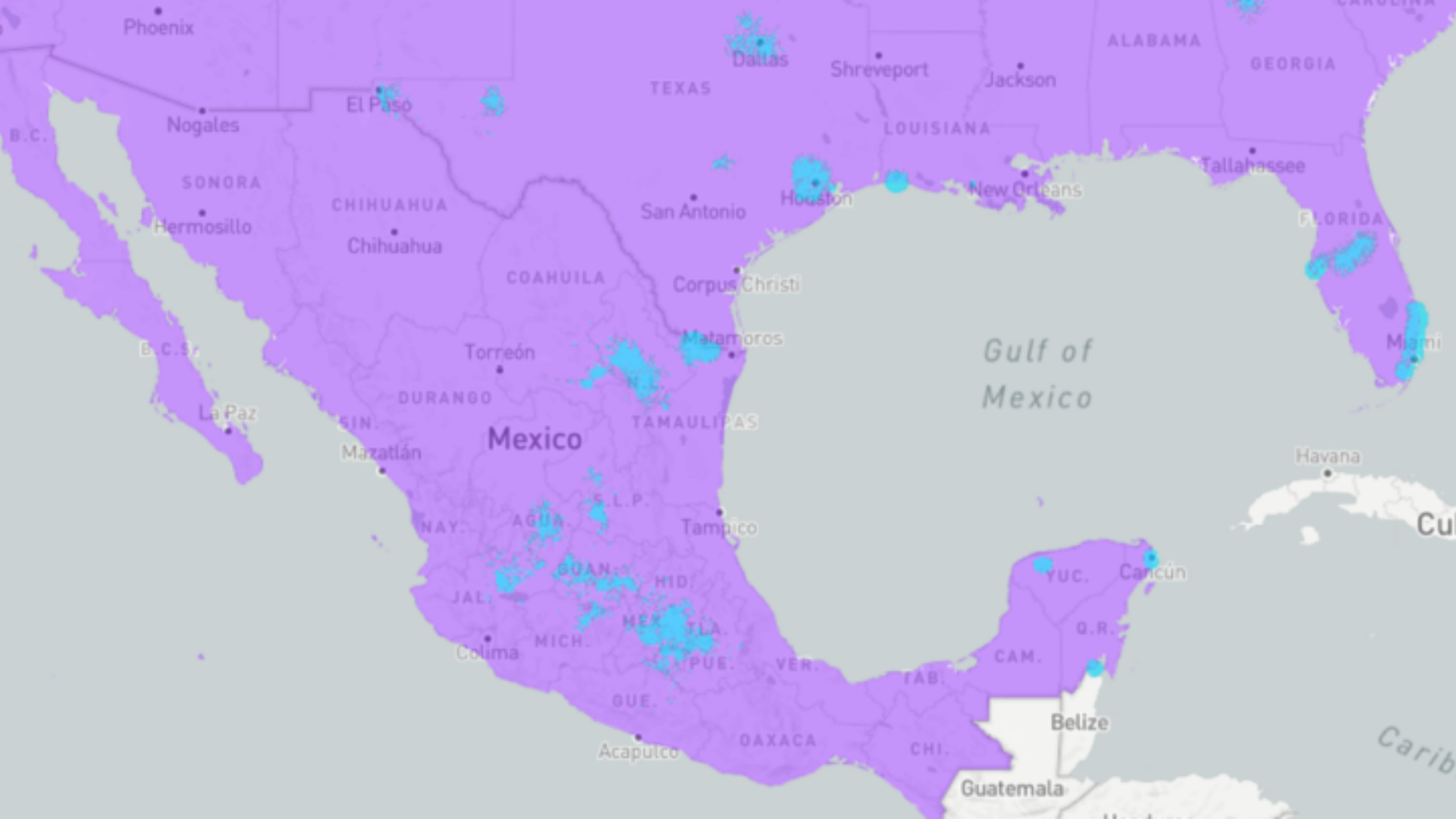
Online resources

Technical information : <http://makers.sigfox.com>

Videos : <http://youtube.com/sigfox>

Q&A : <http://ask.sigfox.com>

Github: <http://github.com/sigfox>





Sigfox basics

About Sigfox

Sigfox is **not selling chips**

Sigfox is **not building connected solutions**

Sigfox has invented a **radio protocol**

Sigfox operates a **global network**

Why Sigfox ?

Need for a solution dedicated to the IoT, not an existing one tweaked for it.

We only serve the IoT, that's why we're doing it efficiently



FIRE STARTING



MY BATTERY IS LOW



I'M FULL



I'M LOST



I AM AT
THE WAREHOUSE



I NEED
TO BE REPLACED



I NEED
REPAIR



PRESS
TO ORDER



New possibilities

Existing solutions: Cheaper connection & extended battery life

Enables totally new IoT applications

Backup connectivity for higher bandwidth devices

How to sigfox

Detect something to send (that's the hard part)

Power on the communication module

Send

Message is picked up by the network

Data is received on your server



Core concepts

Simplicity

No connection

No configuration

No pairing

No signaling

Low Energy

Years of battery life

Independent solutions

Reduce maintenance & TCO

Low Energy

Tx: ~200mA during a couple of seconds (@22dBm)

Key factor: idle consumption (99.x% of the time)

Idle consumption: μ A range

Very Long Range

Best case scenario

+100km between transmitter & receiver (base station)

Real life

A few kms (city) to tens of kms (countryside),
depending on the topography

Outdoor & Indoor

Good indoor propagation properties

Of course, you need to consider signal attenuation
(~20dB)

Two-way communication

Devices can receive updates sent from your application server

Each communication is instigated by the device

Small messages

Useful payload: up to 12 bytes

Up to 140 times each day (contract)

600 bits/s

Less is more !

GPS coordinates (lat x lng) : 6 bytes

Temperature: 2 bytes

State reporting : 1 byte

Heartbeat, update request : 0 byte

Keep it as simple as possible

Example: Sensit

816b1954 | 10000001 01101011 00011001 01010100

10000001 01101011 00011001 01010100 Active mode (Temp)

10000001 01101011 00011001 01010100 Temp. MSB & LSB

10000001 01101011 00011001 01010100 Humidity x2

Temp : 0110011001 = 409 . $(409-200) / 8 = 26.125^{\circ}\text{C}$

Humidity: 01010100 = 84. $84/2 = 42\%$



Security



Security

No keys exchanged over the network, no handshake

Messages can be encrypted or scrambled

Each message is signed with a key unique to the device

Message signature

With each message, a hash is calculated & sent; using:

Device ID

Secret key, unique to the device. Never transmitted OTA

Payload

Internal increment

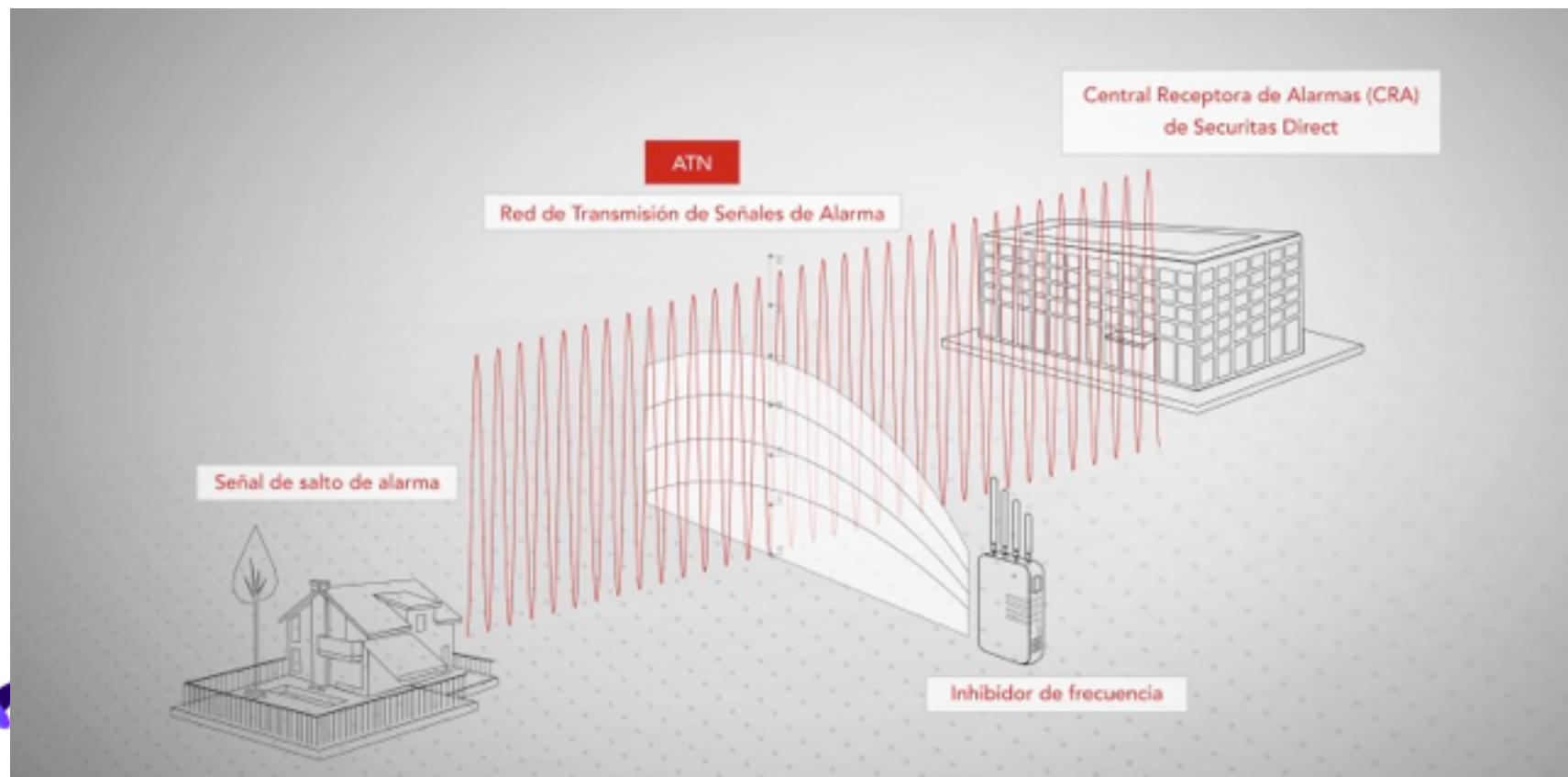
Radio properties

Great tolerance to interferors

Jamming resistant

Interception is hard: UNB & frequency diversity

Jammers





Radio Ultra Narrow Band

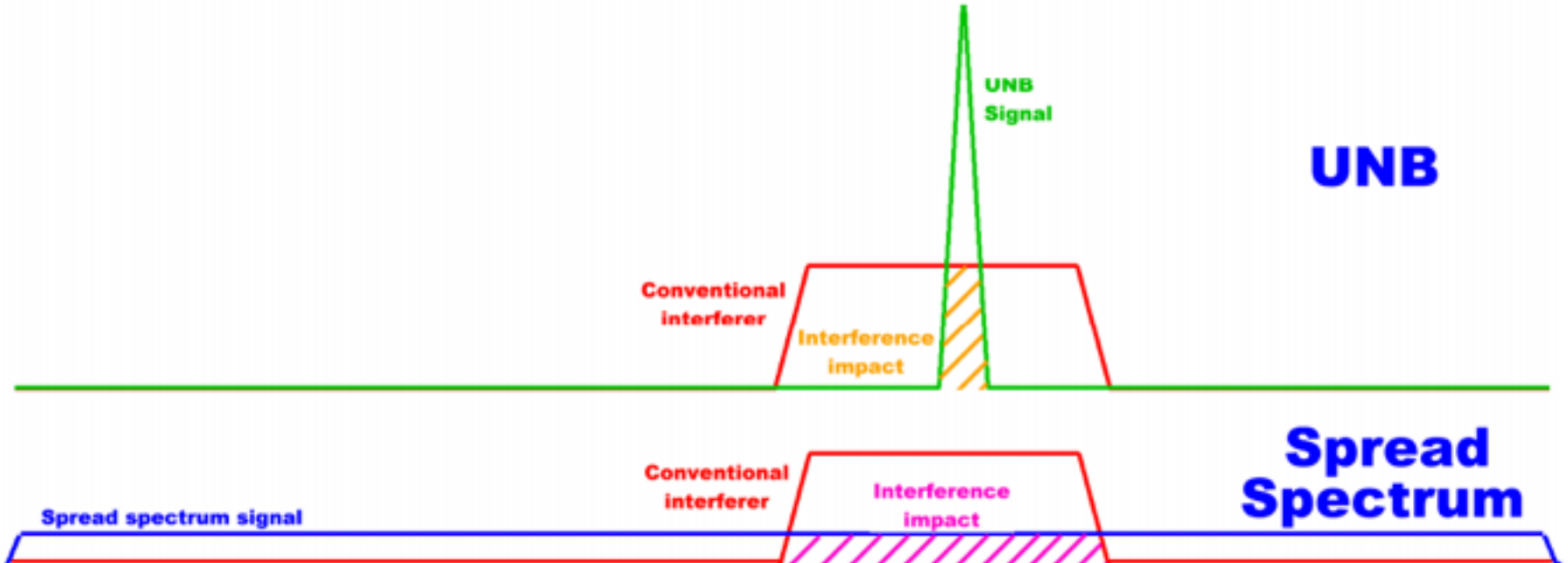


Sigfox use

The network currently monitors a 192KHz part of the spectrum

Each message is ~600Hz wide

Interferors



Ultra Narrow Band channel occupation + light protocol = Bigger capacity !



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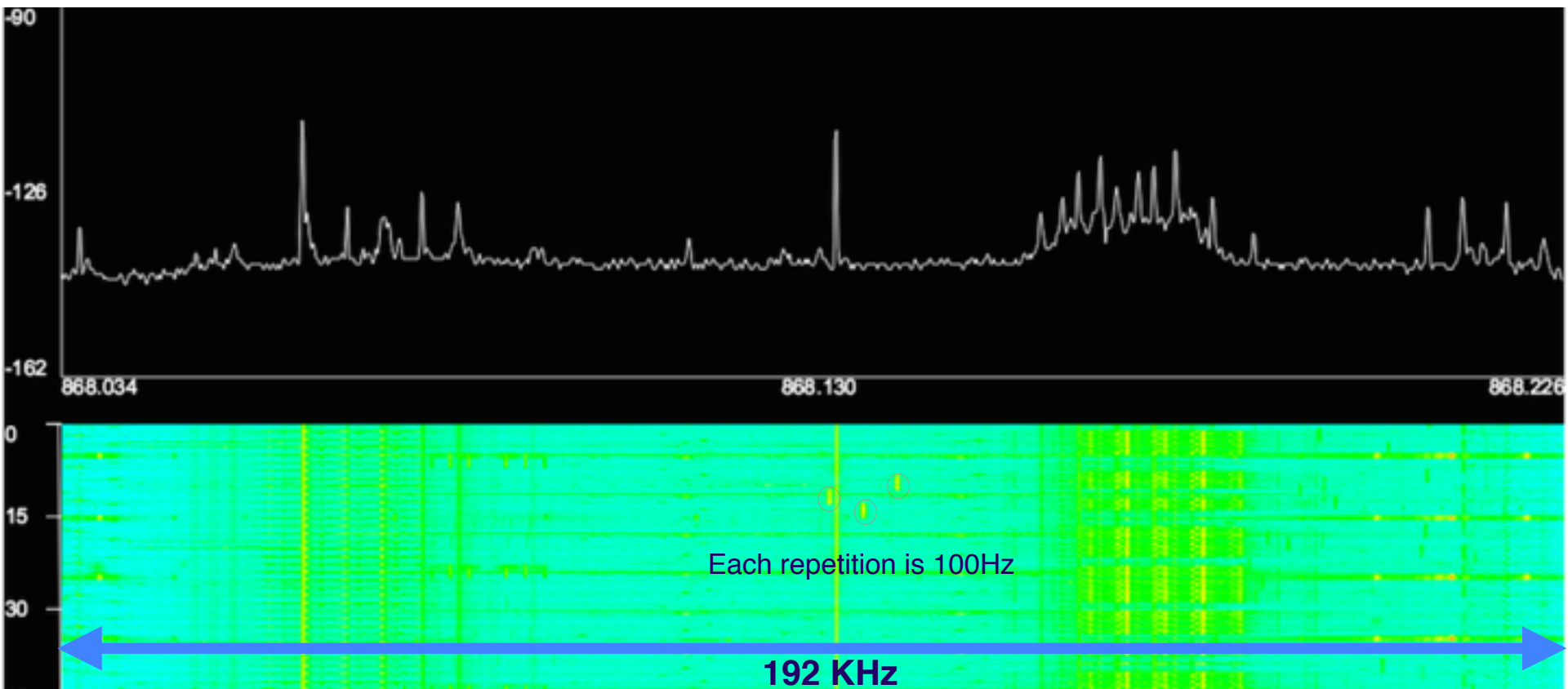
12 messages



Conventional

6 messages

Sigfox messages





Regulations



Regulations

Sigfox is operating on unlicensed Sub-GHz frequency bands all over the world

We just have to pick the right central frequency

Easy, right ?

UNITED STATES FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS

THE RADIO SPECTRUM

RADIO SERVICES-COLOR LEGEND



ACTIVITY CODE



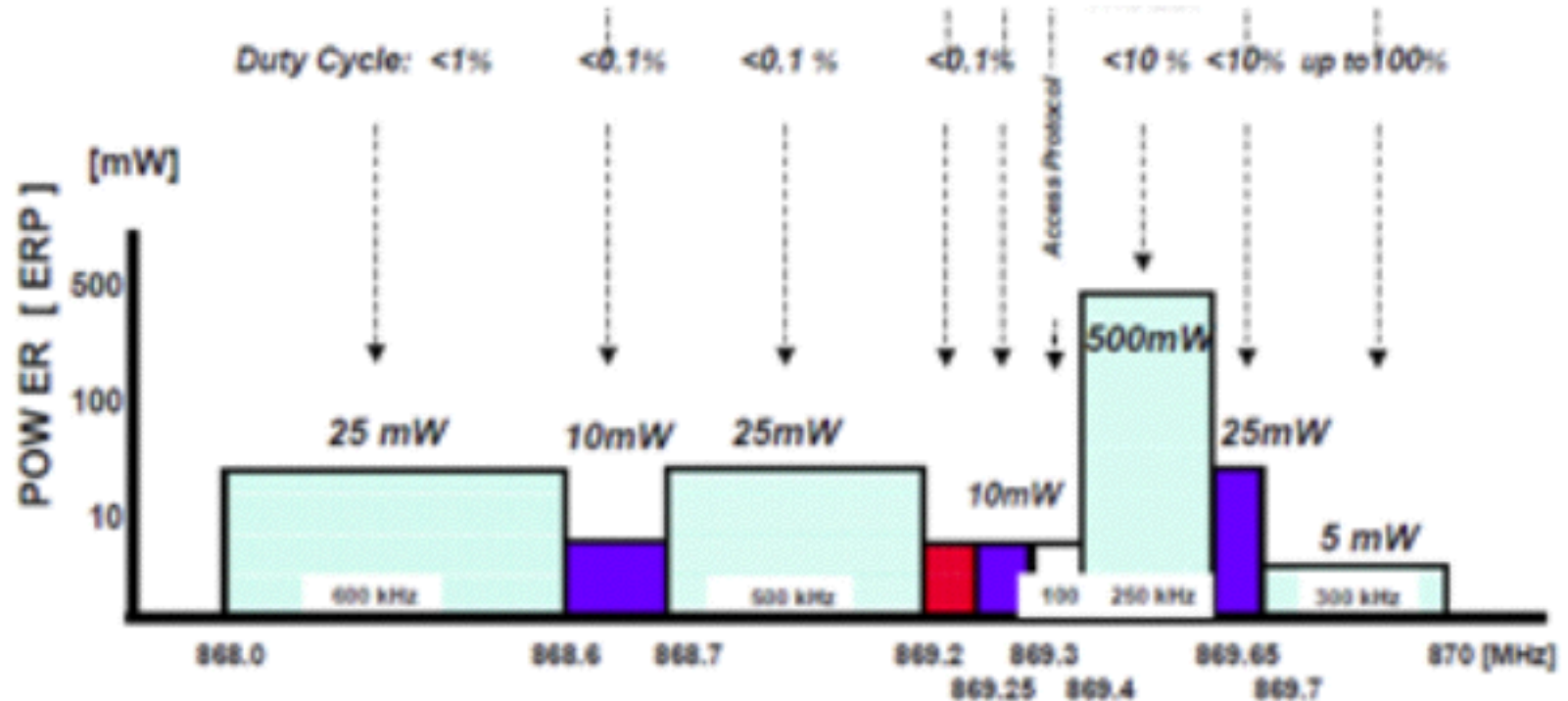
ALLOCATION/USAGE DEMONSTRATION

SERVICE	ALLOCATION	USAGE DEMONSTRATION
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ETSI Duty cycle



Unlicensed bands

Compliant with regulations

ETSI 300-220

FCC Part 15

ANATEL 506

AS/NZS 4268

Different Radio Configuration Zones

Regional regulations affect

Central frequency

Power Output / Data Rate

Spectrum access

Handled by the Sigfox stack

Same hardware can be used, with software switches

Sigfox Radio Configuration Zones

	RCZ1	RCZ2	RCZ3	RCZ4
Frequency	868 MHz	902 MHz	923 MHz	920 MHz
Power output	14 dBm	22 dBm	14 dBm	22 dBm
Where	Europe/MEA	N.America & Brasil	East Asia	Asia & Pacific & S.America



Coverage



Global network




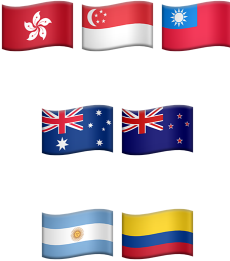
Sigfox is offering a global network, not a solution to build private networks

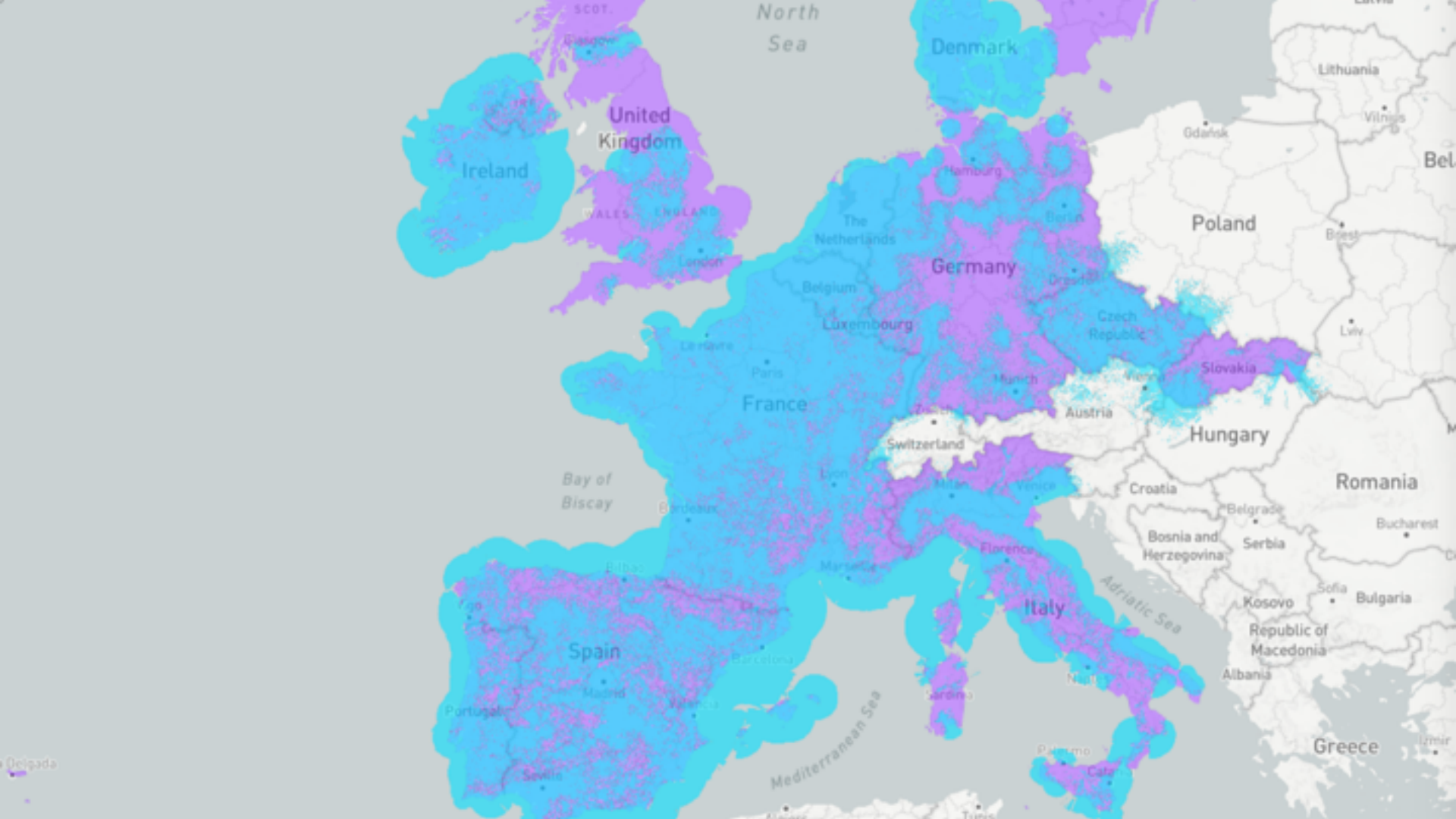
Roaming is included is the standard service

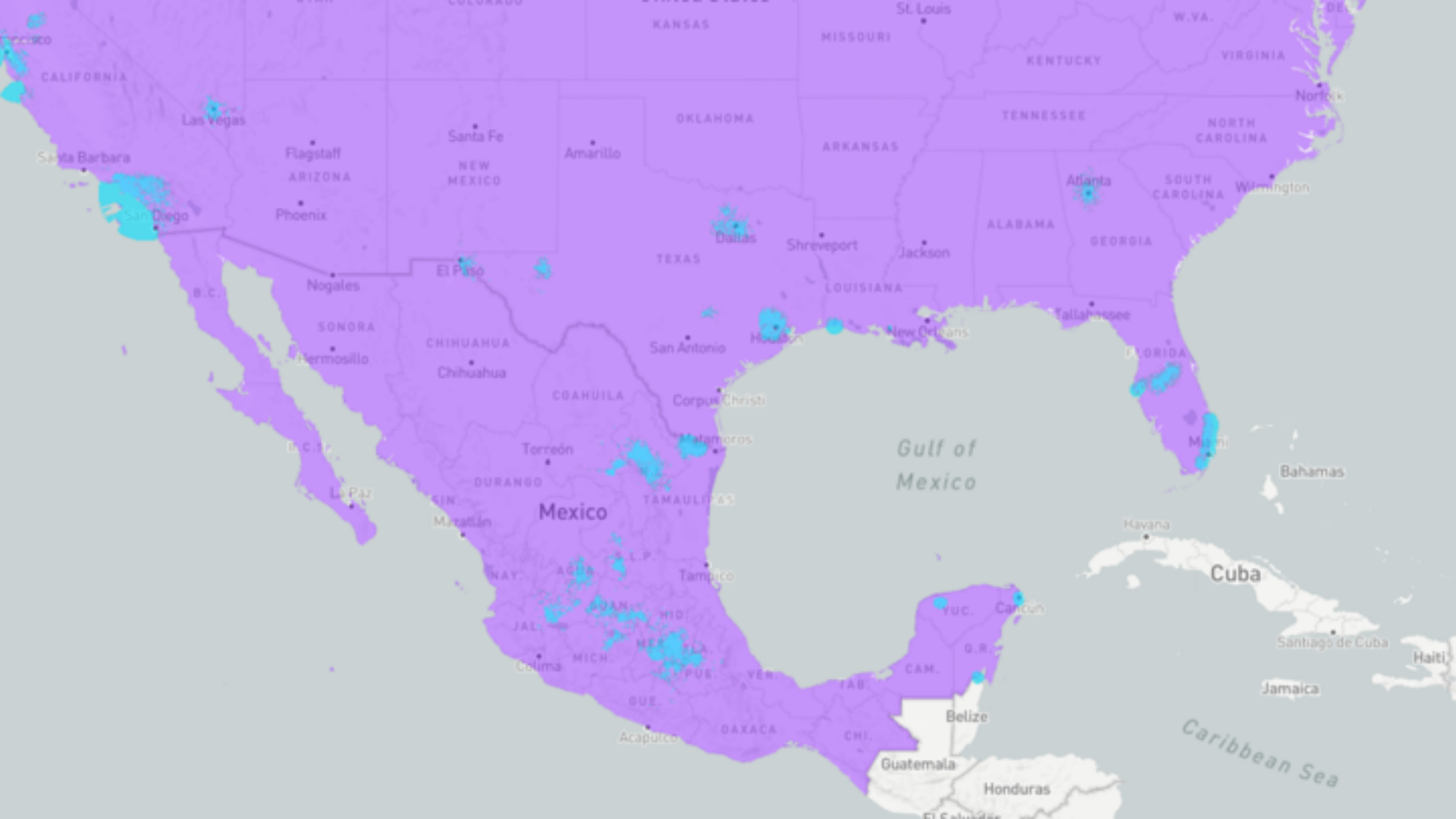
Devices will work the same all over the network



Sigfox Radio Configuration Zones

	RCZ1	RCZ2	RCZ3	RCZ4
Frequency	868 MHz	902 MHz	923 MHz	920 MHz
Countries				







Break



Current use cases

Examples of solutions already in production

Internet of Things ?



Perfect Sigfox use cases

Independent solutions

no user, no power socket, no local network

Shy devices

Doesn't speak much, but only useful data



Asset tracking & Security



Asset tracking

Shipment / Pallet tracking

Valuable assets

Post-theft recovery

GPS or pure network geolocalisation



Home Alarm System

Backup connectivity for GSM solution

Jamming resistant

Continuity of service

Self deployment

High capacity network



Smoke detector

Easy install

Fault detection

Remote alert





Industry



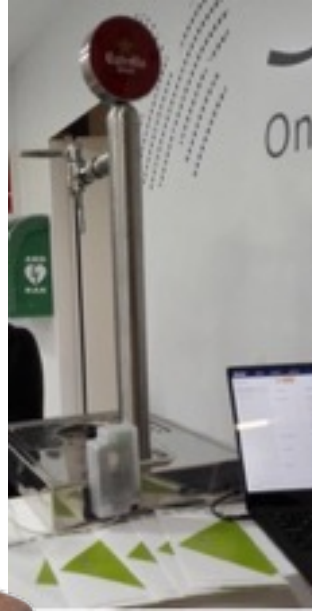
Predictive maintenance

Optimize & anticipate maintenance

Alerts when customer needs support

Lower operation costs

Increased safety and/or customer satisfaction



Maintenance

Connected boilers

Remote sites intrusion detection

Industrial equipments



Health & Assisted living



Assisted Living Box

Elderly people benefiting from home services

Monitor carers come & go

NFC badge reader

ROI : 6 months

Increased service quality



Fall Detector

Send an alert when the bearer falls

Panic button

No set up

Long battery life

No « locked in » effect ; works everywhere





Public sector



Metering

Different solutions

Smart or add-on to existing meters

Low cost of installation & operation



Smart parking

Parking spots monitoring

Real time guidance for users

Traffic optimization

Local enforcement optimization



Waste management

Optimize costs of collection

Plug & play

Years of battery life



Street lighting

Save Energy & Costs

Improved maintenance

Light intensity management





Agriculture



« Smart Agriculture » ?

Crop sensors to optimise yield

Livestock « predictive maintenance »

Beehives monitoring

Weather monitoring

Cattle tracking



Retail &
other services



Button

Simplest interface possible

Press a button ; trigger a service

No installation

Cloud-based services



Customer Satisfaction

Effortless customer feedback

No wiring

No pairing

Long battery life





Sigfox foundation



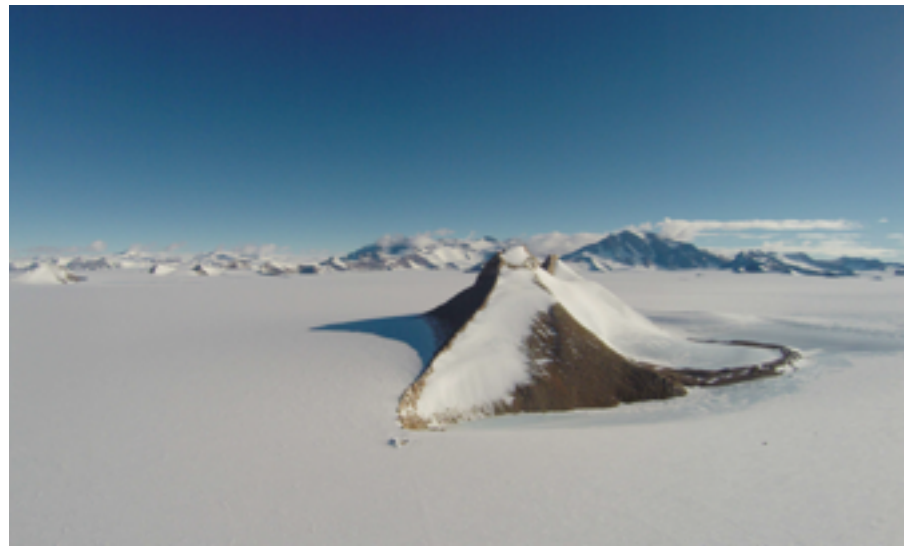
Antarctica

Tracking scientists & assets

Long reach

Ease of use

Robust trackers



Wildlife

Rhinos tracking & monitoring

Anti poaching operation

Implant & play

Long reach





Hardware
solutions

Hardware

Sigfox is not a hardware vendor

Ecosystem of established partners

The Atmel logo, featuring the word "Atmel" in a blue, sans-serif font with a registered trademark symbol.The NXP logo, featuring the letters "NXP" in a stylized, blocky font with a yellow-to-green gradient.The Radiocrfts logo, featuring the word "Radiocrfts" in a bold, teal, sans-serif font, with the tagline "Embedded Wireless Solutions" in a smaller font below it.

ON Semiconductor®

The life.augmented logo, featuring the text "life.augmented" in a lowercase, sans-serif font, with "life" in blue and "augmented" in a lighter blue.The Texas Instruments logo, featuring a red outline of the state of Texas with a stylized "ti" inside, followed by the words "TEXAS INSTRUMENTS" in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

Modules

Starting from \$2

Offers combining Sigfox with Wifi , BLE, GPS

Fast track for product certification

Building your own

You can build your own, using one of the compatible RF transceivers (NXP, STMicro, TI, Semtech, SiLabs)

Only interesting for huge volumes, retrofit or special requirements

Will need full Sigfox certification program

Antenna

Best way to ruin a great device is to mess the antenna integration

Balance between design & performance

Take into account from the early days of your project

We're here to help with experts !

Prototyping

Arduino & Raspberry Pi kits available from various partners

RCZ2 (Americas) solutions ecosystem starting to grow

Check out <http://partners.sigfox.com> for the full details



Cloud



Get your data

View messages : Sigfox web platform

Get messages : REST API (pull)

Receive new messages : HTTP Callbacks (push)

Callbacks

Each message received from your devices will be forwarded to your application server

Customisable headers & body

You can set more than one callback

Used to send data back to the device as well

3rd party platforms

You can easily push your data to a 3rd party platform :

AWS, Azure, Telefonica, thethings.iO, IBM, Samsung...

Downlink messages

A downlink message can be

Semi automatic : sent directly by the network

Customised : sent by your own application server



Workshop session

Using Thinxtra Xkit boards





Sigfox Workshop

Using Thinxtra Xkit



Contribute back

Don't forget to publish your experiments

Code Samples, HW design, fails ... will be useful to other people

We all start by copy/pasting ;)

Your own website, github, hackster.io, instructables ... your call!

Useful Resources

Session resources <http://bit.ly/SMTSaoPaulo>

XKit <http://thinextra.com/xkit>

Questions ? <http://ask.sigfox.com>

Github

<http://github.com/sigfox>

<http://github.com/nicolsc>

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Register

<http://backend.sigfox.com/activate>

Provider: Thinxtra

Country : Choose yours. (Default: France)

ID/PAC : Check sticker



Hello World



Arduino Setup

Open the Arduino IDE

Select the board (COM port)

Board type : Arduino Uno

Auto Format ⌘T

Archive Sketch

Fix Encoding & Reload

Serial Monitor ⌘M

Serial Plotter ⌘L

WiFi101 Firmware Updater

Board: "Arduino/Genuino Uno" ▶

Port: "/dev/cu.wchusbserial1420" ▶

Get Board Info

Programmer: "USBasp" ▶

Burn Bootloader

| Arduino 1.8.0

ch_apr06a | Arduino 1.8.0

Serial ports

- ✓ /dev/cu.wchusbserial1420
- /dev/cu.Bluetooth-Incoming-Port
- /dev/cu.BoseAE2SoundLink-SPPDev
- /dev/cu.BoseAE2SoundLink-SPPDev-1

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174 }
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176 9 void loop() {
177 10
178 11
179 12 }
180 13
181 14
182 void
```

Hello world sketch

```
void setup() {  
  Serial.begin(9600);  
  Serial.print("AT$RC\n");  
  delay(100);  
  Serial.print("AT$SF=0123CAFE\n");  
}  
void loop() {}
```

Upload to the board

Remove the shield first

Then click Upload / Descargar



The screenshot shows the top toolbar of the Arduino IDE. The 'Upload' button, represented by a right-pointing arrow, is highlighted. To its right is the 'Upload Using Programmer' button, which has a downward arrow icon. Below the toolbar, the file name 'sketch_apr06a' is visible in the editor's title bar. The code area contains the following C++ code:


```
1 void setup() {  
2   // put your setup code here, to run once:  
3   Serial.begin(9600);  
4   Serial.print("AT$RC\n");  
5   delay(100);  
6   Serial.println("AT$SF=0123CAFE\n");  
7 }  
8
```

Message received ?

Navigate to the *devices* menu in the top bar

Click on the ID of your device

Enter the *messages menu* from the left navigation column



SITEBASE STATIONDEVICEDEVICE TYPEUSERGROUPRADIO PLANNINGBILLINGPARTNER

INFORMATIONLOCATIONASSOCIATED DEVICESDEVICES BEING TRANSFERREDSTATISTICSEVENT CONFIGURATIONCALLBACKSBULK CREATIONS

Device type 'Thinextra Solutions RCZ2 kit' - Associated devices

Export devices Id/Pac

Id

State

Average SNR (all)

Last seen from date

RESET

FILTER

Count : 1 / 1

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Average Rssi

Average SNR

Communication status

Device type

Id

Last seen

Name

Token state

-85.06

58.49


Thinextra Solutions RCZ2 kit

2C0694

2017-04-06 18:20:56

Device 2C0694

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First callback



Callback setup

Device Type menu

Click on your *device type* name

Enter the *Callbacks* menu

Select *new default callback*

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	<div>Device type 'Thinxtra Solutions RCZ2 kit' - Information</div> <div> <div>Id: 58e4135d3c8789274562f9e5</div> <div>Name: Thinxtra Solutions RCZ2 kit</div> <div>Description: Auto created device type for EVK user : Nicolas Lesconnec</div> <div>Keep alive: N/A</div> <div>Group: Nicolas Lesconnec EVK</div> <div>Payload display: None</div> <div>Contract: Free eval board contract</div> <div>Alert Email:</div> <div>Downlink data hexa: {tapId}0000{rssi}</div> <div>Creation date: 2017-04-04 23:42:53</div> <div>Created by: Nicolas Lesconnec</div> <div>Last edition date: 2017-04-04 23:43:11</div> <div>Last edited by: Nicolas Lesconnec</div> </div>

Device type 'Thinextra Solutions RCZ2 kit' - Callbacks

New

These callbacks transfer data received from the devices associated to this device type to your infrastructure. For more informations, please refer to the [Callback documentation](#)

SERVICE callbacks

Enable	Channel	Subtype	Duplicate	Batch	Information	Edit	Errors	Delete
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		GEOLOC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	[POST] https://boiling-cove-96312.herokuapp.com/locations/spotit			

Device type 'Thinextra Solutions RCZ2 kit' - New Callback

Create callbacks to connect Sigfox cloud to your server/platform.

A callback is a custom http request containing your device(s) data, along with other variables, sent to a given server/platform when the aforesaid device(s) message is received by Sigfox cloud.



Custom callback

Creates a new callback from Sigfox cloud to your own server. This is the "default" callback type. You can create a full custom request (http method, content type, headers, etc).



AWS IoT

AWS IoT is a managed cloud platform that lets connected devices easily and securely interact with cloud applications and other devices. AWS IoT can support billions of devices and trillions of messages, and can process and route those messages to AWS endpoints and to other devices reliably and securely.



AWS Kinesis

Amazon Kinesis is a platform for streaming data on AWS, offering powerful services to make it easy to load and analyze streaming data, and also providing the ability for you to build custom streaming data applications for specialized needs.



Microsoft Azure™ Event hub

Event Hubs is an event processing service that provides event and telemetry ingress to the cloud at massive scale, with low latency and high reliability. This service is especially useful for application instrumentation, user experience

Callback setup

TYPE : DATA UPLINK

Choose a *CHANNEL* : URL (EMAIL for a quick test)

Url pattern: URL of your own server

Use HTTP method: GET/POST/PUT

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Device type Thinxtra Solutions RCZ2 kit - Callback new

Callbacks

Type

DATA

UPLINK

Channel

✓ URL

BATCH_URL

Send duplicate

EMAIL

Custom payload
config

URL syntax: `http://host/path?id={device}&time={time}&key1={var1}&key2={var2}...`

Available variables: device, time, duplicate, snr, station, data, avgSnr, lat, lng, rssi, seqNumber

Custom variables:

Url pattern

Use HTTP Method

GET

Send SNI

☐

(Server Name Indication) for SSL/TLS connections

Headers

header

value

Ok

Cancel

Callback status

In the *Devices > Messages* panel, you have a indicator of the callback status (an arrow)

Black : in progress

Green : Callback OK

Red : Callback KO (at least one of the callbacks failed)

Click the arrow to display details.

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Device 2C0694 - Messages

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Type

To date

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Time	Delay (s)	Header	Data / Decoding	Location	Base station	RSSI (dBm)	SNR (dB)	Freq (MHz)	Rep	Callbacks
2017-04-06 20:23:17	1.3	0000	0123cafe		232D	-68.00	75.96	902.2018	1	



Downlink

How does it work ?

Send a message, with a *downlink* flag

Once message is sent, the module gets back to sleep

After 20s, it will wake up automatically, in Rx mode

It will wait 20s for a *downlink* message

Afterwards it will get back to sleep

Downlink setup

To setup an automatic callback :

Device Type > Info > Edit

In the *Downlink data* settings, set the following :

Downlink Mode : DIRECT

Set the following value : 123400000BADCAFE

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Device type 'Thinxtra Solutions RCZ2 kit' - Information

Disengage sequence number

Edit

Delete

Id: 58e4135d3c8789274562f9e5

Name: Thinxtra Solutions RCZ2 kit

Description: Auto created device type for EVK user : Nicolas Lesconnec

Keep alive: N/A

Group: Nicolas Lesconnec EVK

Payload display: None

Contract: Free eval board contract

Alert Email:

Downlink data hexa: {tapid}0000{rssl}

Creation date: 2017-04-04 23:42:53

Created by: Nicolas Lesconnec

Last edition date: 2017-04-04 23:43:11

Last edited by: Nicolas Lesconnec

Device type Thinxtra Solutions RCZ2 kit - Edition

Device type information

Name

Description

Keep-alive (in minutes)

If we fail to call one of your callbacks, an email will be sent to the address below so that you can take action to fix the problem.

Alert email

Downlink data

Downlink mode

✓ DIRECT

CALLBACK

Expression must either include hexadecimal encoded bytes (ex: deadbeefcafebabe) or the following variables: - {time} 4 bytes - {tapid} 4 bytes - {rssi} 2 bytes

Downlink data in hexa



Payload display

Select below the most suitable parsing mode for the display of your payloads in the backend (mostly appropriate for debugging and development)

Payload parsing

Ok

Cancel

How to request a downlink

Same AT command, with additional parameters

```
AT+SF=[hex byte]*, 1
```

Handle the response

When entering Rx mode, the module will display

```
+RX BEGIN
```

Received frame (if any) will be displayed as:

End of Rx mode

```
+RX END
```

Downlink callback

In *Device Type > Info > Edit*

change *Downlink mode* to CALLBACK

Create a new default callback, with TYPE : DATA |
BIDIR

Then set up your URL

Sample input output

```
AT$SF=55 50 4C 49 4E 4B,1
```

```
OK
```

```
+RX BEGIN
```

```
+RX=44 4F 57 4E 4C 49 4E 4B
```

```
+RX END
```




XKit - demo app



Copy the source code from github

<https://github.com/aureleq/Xkit-Sample>



Geolocation



Geoloc callback

Simply create a SERVICE > GEOLOC callback, and receive latitude + longitude + accuracy

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Device type Thinxtra Solutions RCZ2 kit - Callback new

Callbacks

Type **SERVICE**

Channel **URL**

STATUS

✓ GEOLOC

ACKNOWLEDGE

REPEATER

URL syntax: `http://host/path?id={device}&time={time}&key1={var1}&key2={var2}...`
Available variables: device, time, duplicate, snr, rssi, station, avgSnr, lat, lng, radius, seqNum
Info: lat, lng and radius variables are provided by the GPS data or the Sigfox Spot'it service

Url pattern

Use HTTP Method **GET**

Send SNI ☐ (Server Name Indication) for SSL/TLS connections

Headers

header	value
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Ok Cancel