

EWSN 2018

Dependability Competition

Logistics Information

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3rd EWSN Dependability Competition

- Following the success of the past two editions, the International Conference on Embedded Wireless Systems and Networks (EWSN) hosts also this year a dependability competition comparing the performance of IoT communication protocols in harsh RF environments
 - 1st edition (2016): Graz, Austria [[link](#)]
 - 2nd edition (2017): Uppsala, Sweden [[link](#)]
 - 3rd edition (2018): Madrid, Spain [[link](#)]



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WIRELESS SYSTEMS AND NETWORKS

February 14-16, 2018 - Madrid, Spain

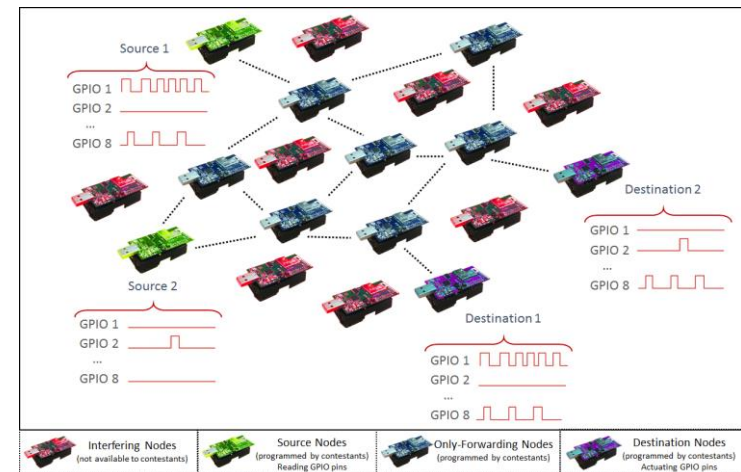
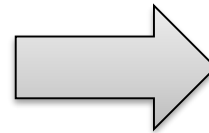
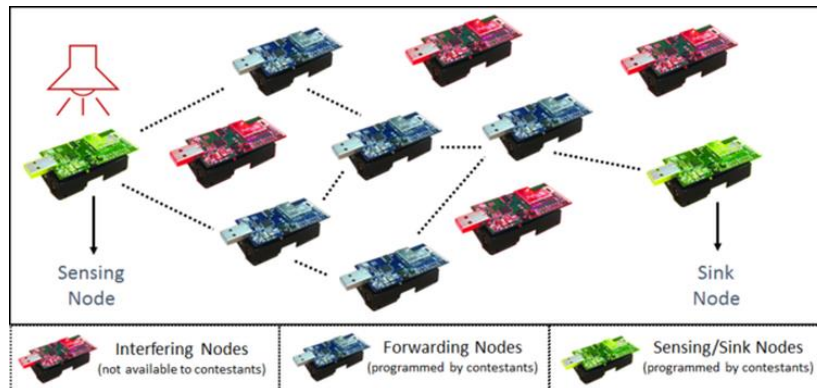
New Format

- This year's dependability competition is run remotely over a longer time window
 - The competition organizers have built a testbed facility that is available remotely to all contestants
 - Contestants can thoroughly test their code on the actual evaluation scenario
 - Roughly two months time to test a solution before submitting the code used for the final evaluation
 - The testbed facility can be used exclusively for research purposes and for testing the solution submitted to the competition
 - It is prohibited to upload malware trying to gain unauthorized access to or disrupt any service, data, account or network (see terms and conditions)



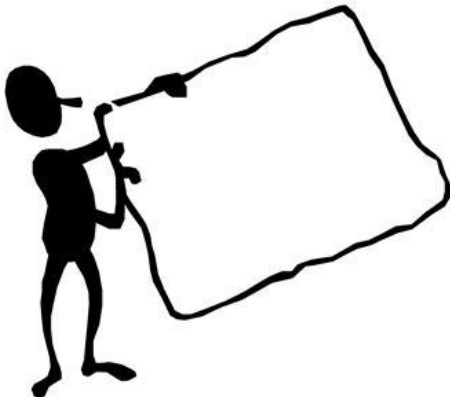
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- This year's evaluation scenario includes the reporting of multiple events from/to several nodes
 - The scenario used in the past two editions focused on a *single* source node monitoring *one* event and forwarding this information to a *single* destination node over a multi-hop network
 - In this year's scenario, *many* source nodes monitor *several* events and need to forward this information to *one or more* destinations over a multi-hop network



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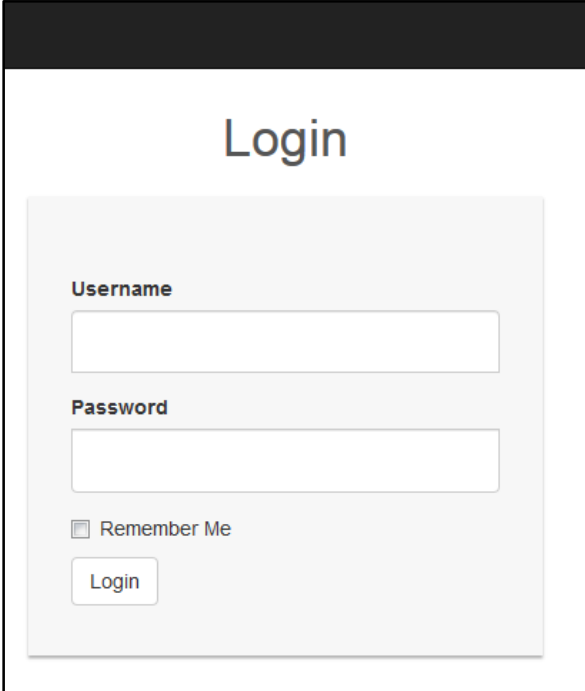
- Dedicated poster session during the main conference
 - During the first day of the main EWSN conference, the winners of the dependability competition will be awarded
 - The top-three teams will hold a 10-minutes presentation about their solution, followed by a short discussion session
 - In the afternoon of the first day of the main EWSN conference, there will be a dedicated poster session for all competitors
 - All competing teams must present their solution in the poster session and will have the possibility to engage in lively discussions with the other conference attendees



Competition's Testbed Facility

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- The testbed facility is available at:
<https://iti-testbed.tugraz.at/>
- Login credentials
 - Each team will receive the login credentials to access the testbed facility via e-mail as soon as:
 - At least one team member has registered to EWSN 2018
 - A signed scanned copy of the terms and conditions for the use of the competition's testbed has been sent to the organizers
 - One username and password shared for the whole team

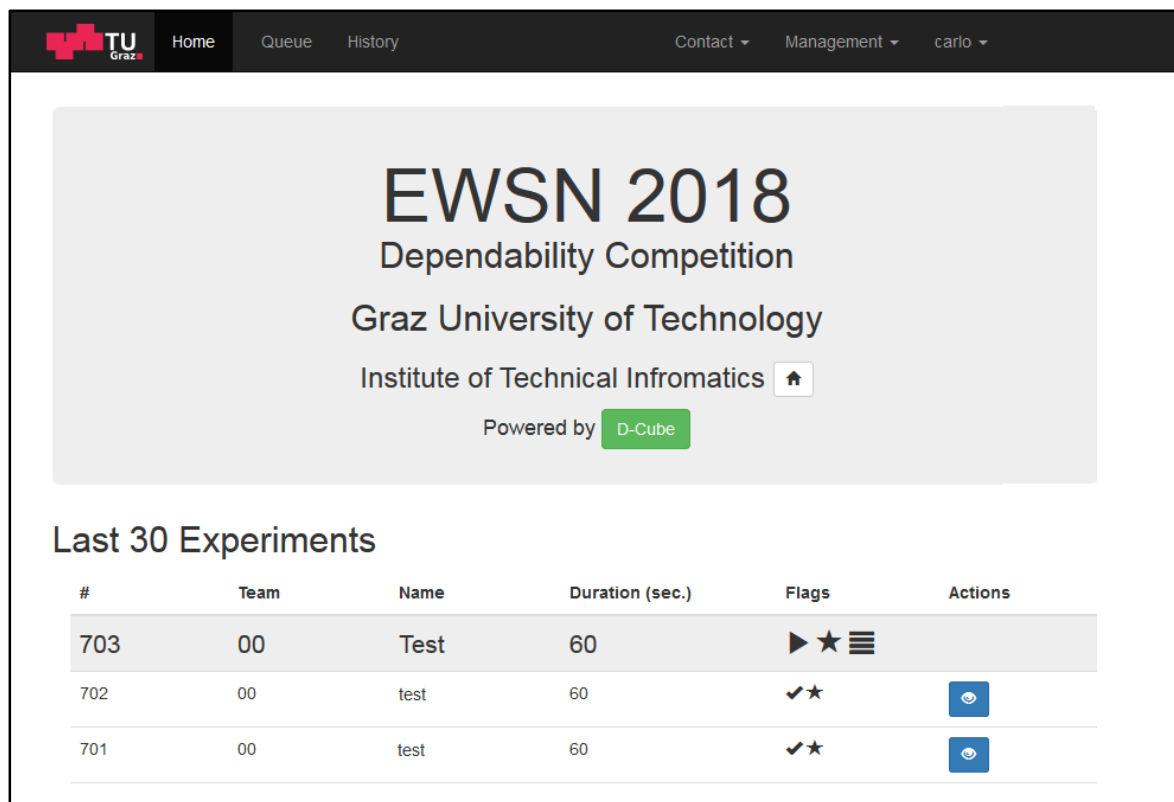


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Competition's Testbed Facility

■ At a glance

- Home tab shows the list of all experiments of all teams (completed, running, or queued for execution)



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Last 30 Experiments

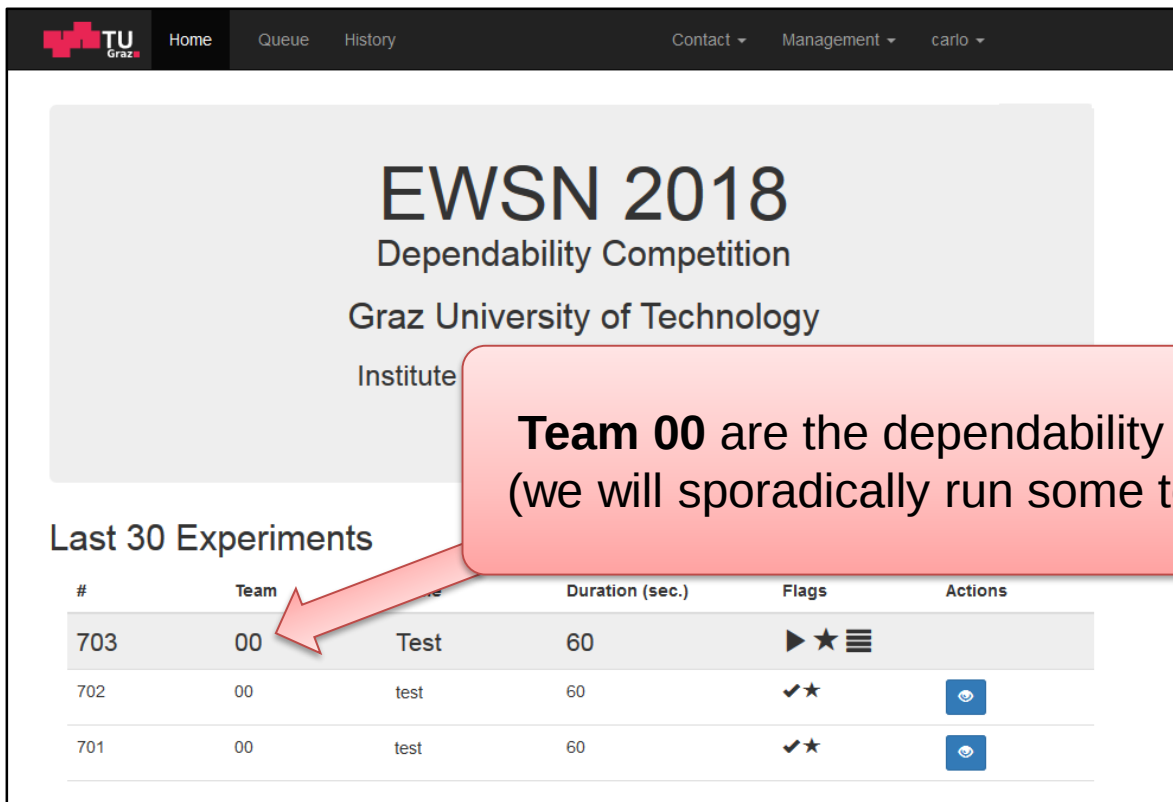
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701	00	test	60	 	

-  Currently running
-  Successfully completed
-  Aborted or failed
-  Higher priority job (organizers only)
-  Log output enabled (traces only seen by team)
-  Visualize results (anyone can see those!)

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The screenshot shows the 'Home' tab of the EWSN 2018 Dependability Competition interface. The header includes the TU Graz logo, navigation links (Home, Queue, History), and user information (Contact, Management, carlo). The main content area displays the competition title 'EWSN 2018 Dependability Competition' and the organizing institution 'Graz University of Technology Institute'. Below this, a section titled 'Last 30 Experiments' contains a table with columns for #, Team, Name, Duration (sec.), Flags, and Actions. The table lists three experiments, all from Team 00. The first experiment (ID 703) is currently running, while the others (IDs 702 and 701) are successfully completed. A red callout box points to the first row of the table.

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Team 00 are the dependability competition organizers! 😊
(we will sporadically run some testruns and sanity checks)



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(traces only seen by team)

Firmware Upload



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Description

Duration

 Seconds

Jamming type

☐ Off ☒ Capture serial

Baudrate

No file selected.

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Important note: the captured serial output may have gaps due to the nature of the USB isolation (for accurate power measurements)

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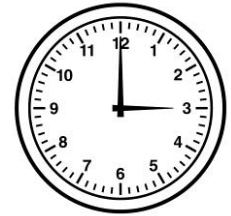
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- Contestants can upload a single binary `ihex` file: this will be uploaded to all nodes in the network using a common MSP430 Bootstrap Loader

Testbed's Scheduler

- Jobs execution policy: first come, first served
- Jobs are executed **between 7:00 and 17:00 AoE only!**
 - Between 20:00 and 6:00 (Central Europe time)
 - Between 4:00 and 14:00 (Tokyo time)
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The scheduler is currently active and processing jobs

Experiments are executed only
between 20:00:00 to 6:00:00



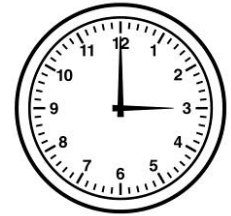
The scheduler activity will be resumed at 20:00 CET

Amount of time required by
the jobs currently queued

Experiments can be queued **anytime!**

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- **Why this limitation?**
 - During the experiments, a harsh RF environment is created by making use of (among others) Raspberry Pi3 nodes to generate a significant amount of Wi-Fi traffic
 - When heavy Wi-Fi traffic is generated, the University's Wi-Fi infrastructure is severely affected any can be disrupted
 - Therefore, we have agreed with TU Graz to carry out experiments only outside the official working hours



Results of an Experiment

- After the execution of an experiment, graphical results can be checked by anyone by clicking on the blue button  on the right side
 - Results displayed using Grafana
 - Power consumption and GPIO status is tracked for each node
 - Additional features will be activated in the next weeks
- The team owning a job can also see the program log 



Select Grafana Dashboard

- Overview of GPIO Events 
- Overview of Power Consumption 
- Overview of all the nodes 
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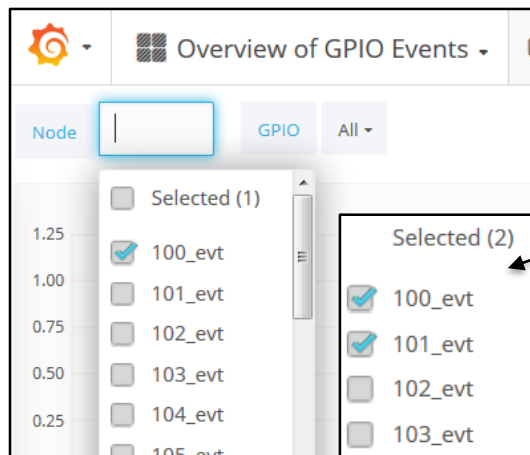
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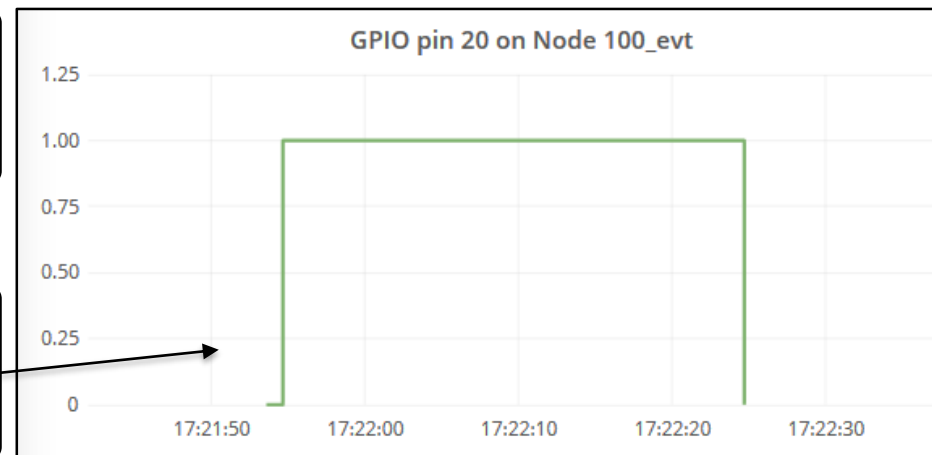
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Monitoring the GPIO of multiple nodes at the same time

Monitoring individual GPIO pins
(for the numbering explanation check the "GPIO pins" section)



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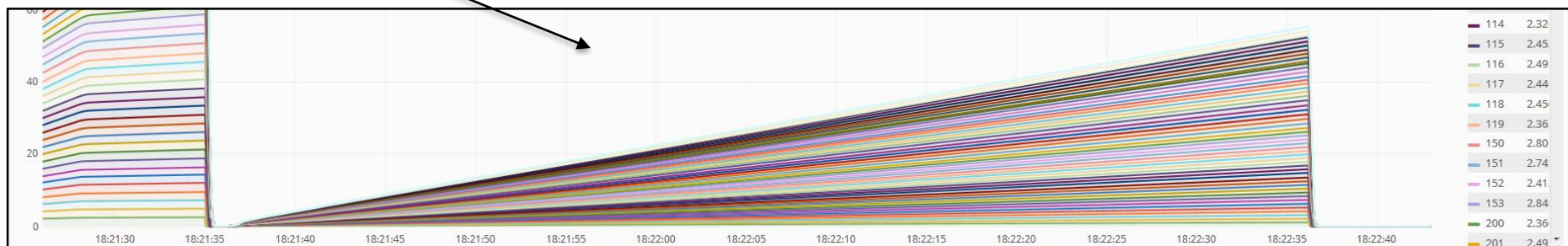


Stacked energy consumption:

Shows the total energy consumed by all nodes in the testbed

Experiment state:

Shows if a sensor node is active (1) or not (0)



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Individual statistics on **voltage**, **current**, **power**, and **cumulative energy** for each node in the network

Node status information (serves as a sanity check for contestants and organizers)

The value is computed as follows:

```
control=0;
control=gpioRead(21); // GPIO 21 = TelosB has power? (1 = yes, 0 = no)
control=(control<<1) | gpioRead(20); // GPIO 20 = reset pin of TelosB node (1 = running, 0 = not running)
control=(control<<1) | gpioRead(16); // GPIO 16 = The GPIOs ADC0, ADC1, ADC2, and ADC3 are all configured
                                   as input (0) or as output (1)
control=(control<<1) | gpioRead(12); // GPIO 12 = The GPIOs ADC7, GIO2, GIO3, and USERINT are all
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**See "GPIO pins"
section for details**

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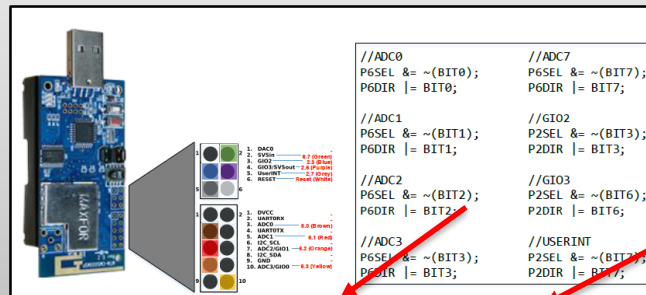
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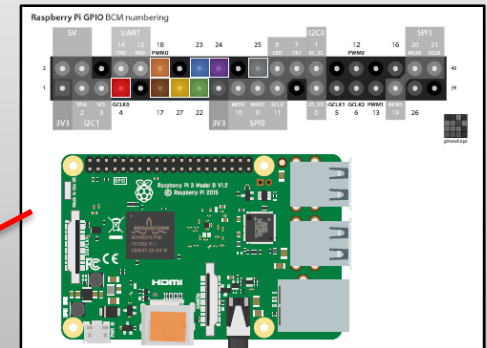
GPIO pins (Information is encoded in a special way – for individual values, use "Overview of GPIO events")

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gpio=gpioRead(17);
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gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(27);
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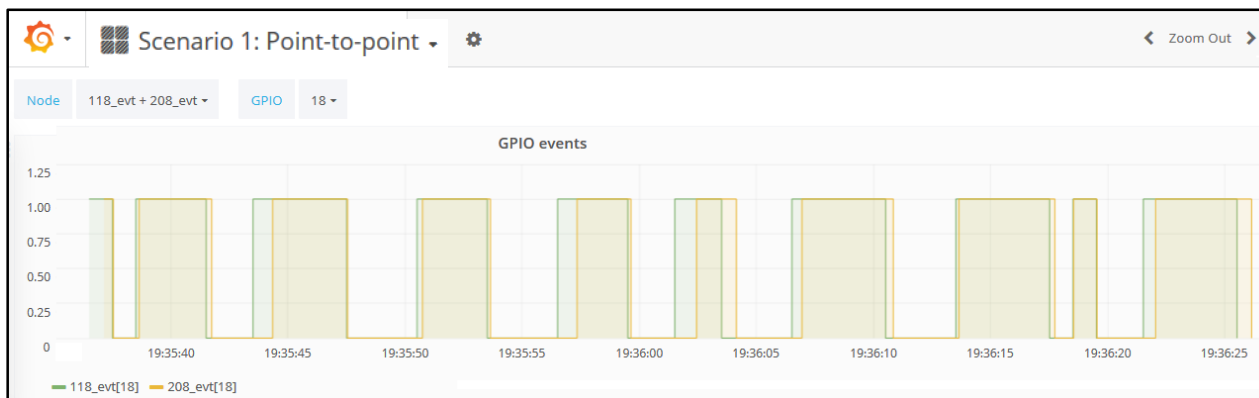
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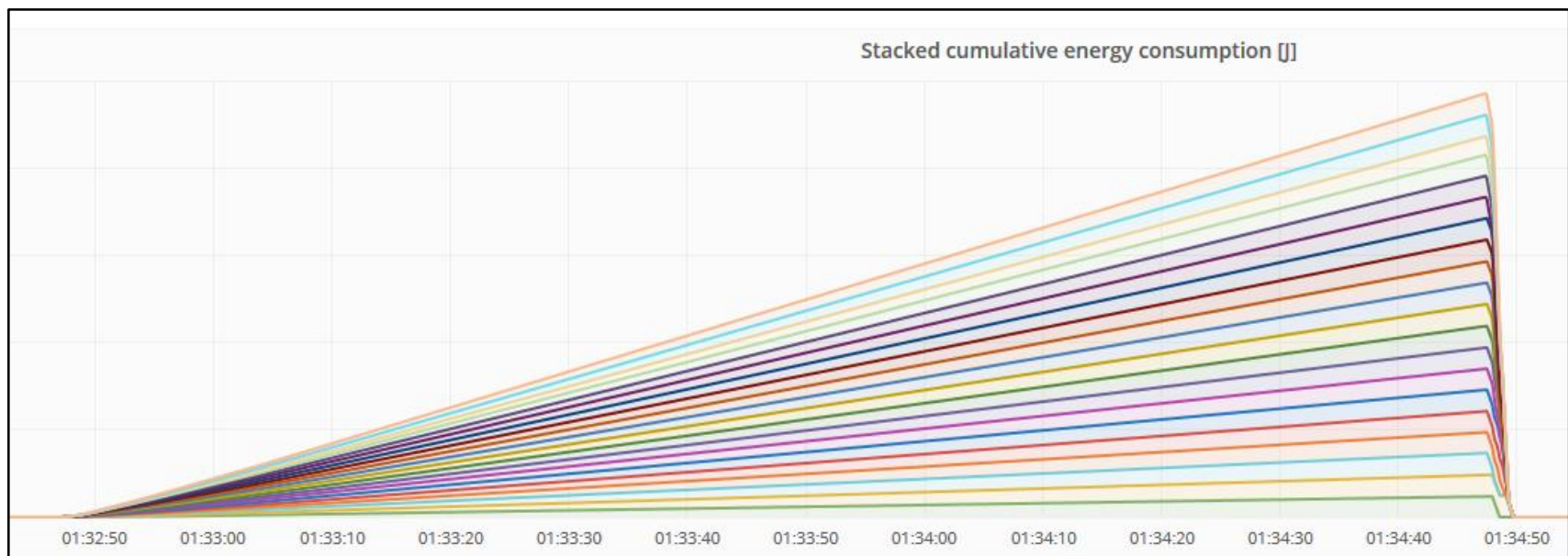
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Plots specific to the current evaluation scenario
(see "Evaluation Scenario section" of these slides)

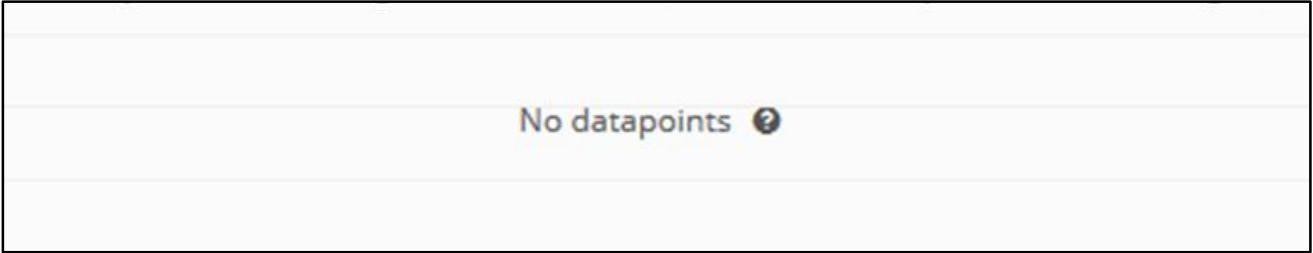
Visualization in Grafana – FAQ

- What is the meaning of the "Stacked cumulative energy consumption" plot?
 - The plots shows the consumption in Joules of each TelosB node
 - Note that the consumption of the **whole** sensor node is measured (this includes USB circuitry, DC-DC converter, ...)



Visualization in Grafana – FAQ

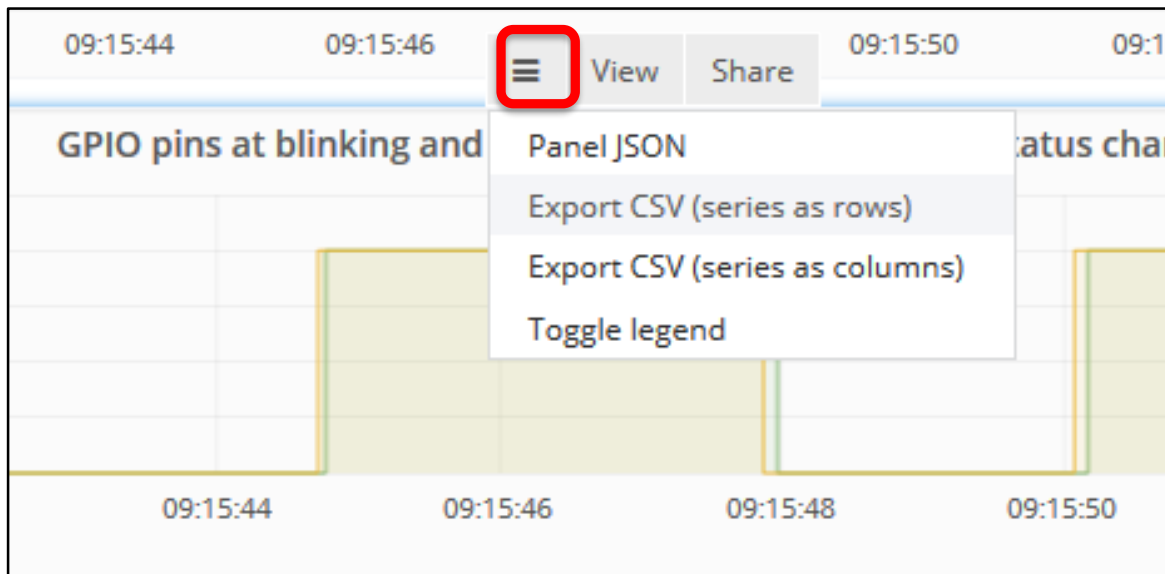
- Why is Grafana not displaying any point when I zoom in?
 - Grafana uses second resolution for the zoom
 - When zooming too much, the averaging may lead to a situation in which Grafana uses the same timestamp as startpoint and endpoint and cannot hence visualize a line

A screenshot of a Grafana panel showing a message: "No datapoints" followed by a question mark icon. The panel has a light gray background with horizontal grid lines.

No datapoints ?

Visualization in Grafana – FAQ

- Can we export the data seen in Grafana?
 - Yes, CSV files can be exported by clicking on the title of the plot
 - Click on the menu icon and select "Export CSV"

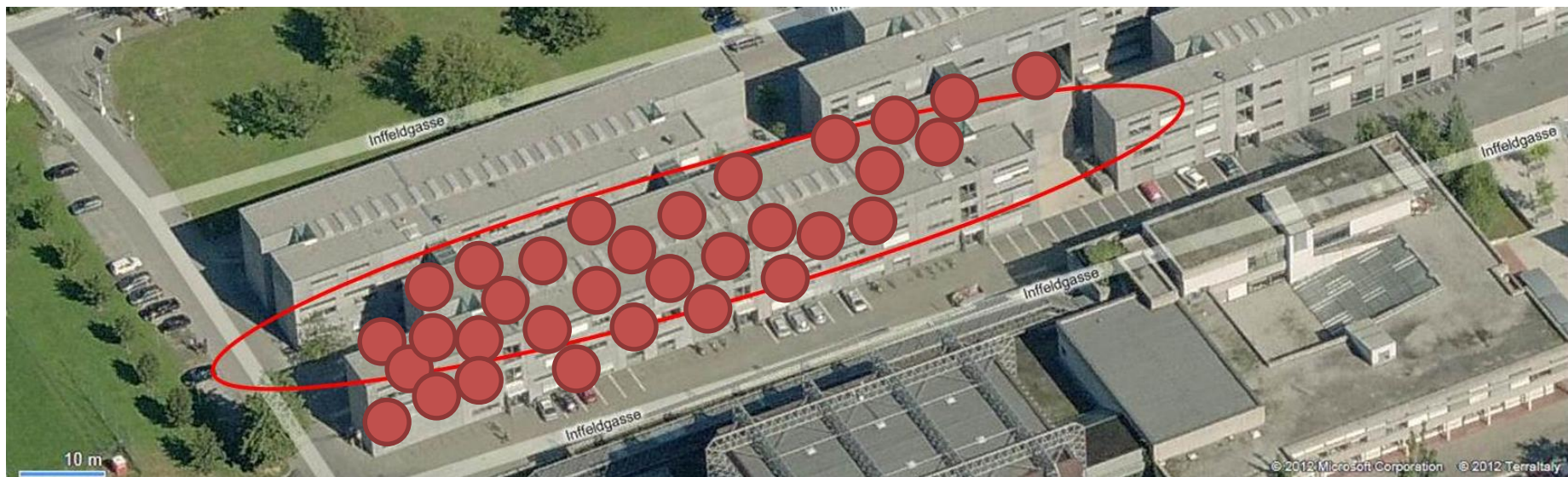


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1	Time	1	2
2	2017-02-16T09:43:46.876Z	0.0840805771962	0.19511020
3	2017-02-16T09:43:47.501Z	0.152616695366	0.25666770
4	2017-02-16T09:43:48.126Z	0.221115444991	0.26136020
5	2017-02-16T09:43:48.751Z	0.289725498238	0.26636990
6	2017-02-16T09:43:49.376Z	0.336447792086	0.27097520

	A	B	C
1	Series	Time	Value
2	Sink node	2017-02-16T09:49:06.669Z	1
3	Sink node	2017-02-16T09:49:08.868Z	0
4	Sink node	2017-02-16T09:49:13.570Z	1
5	Sink node	2017-02-16T09:49:16.571Z	0
6	Sink node	2017-02-16T09:49:25.068Z	1
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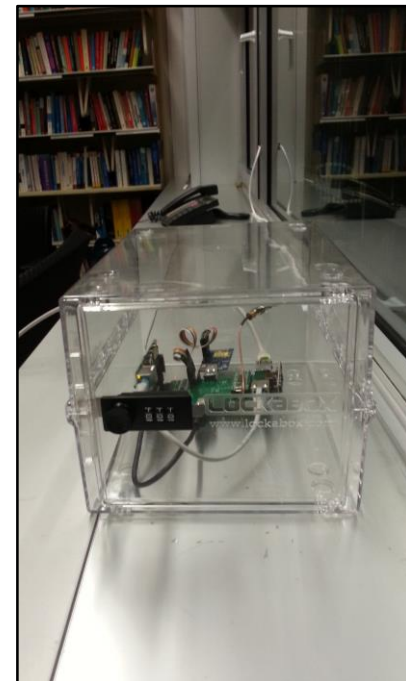
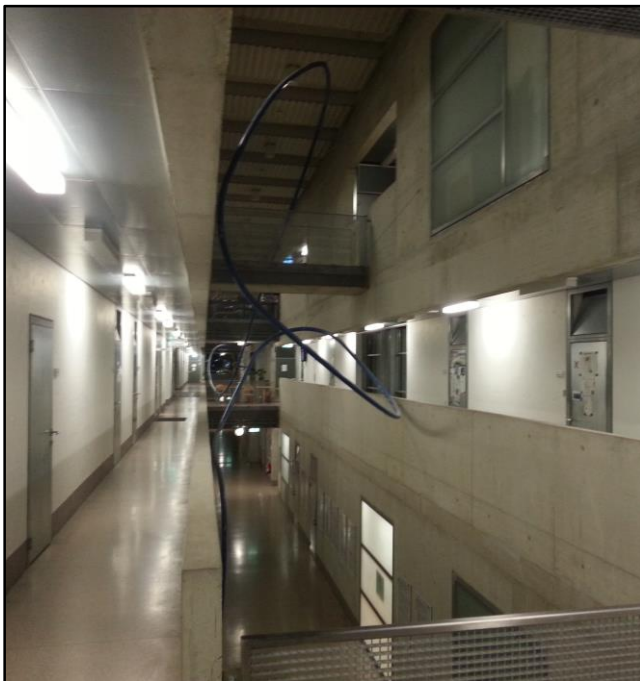
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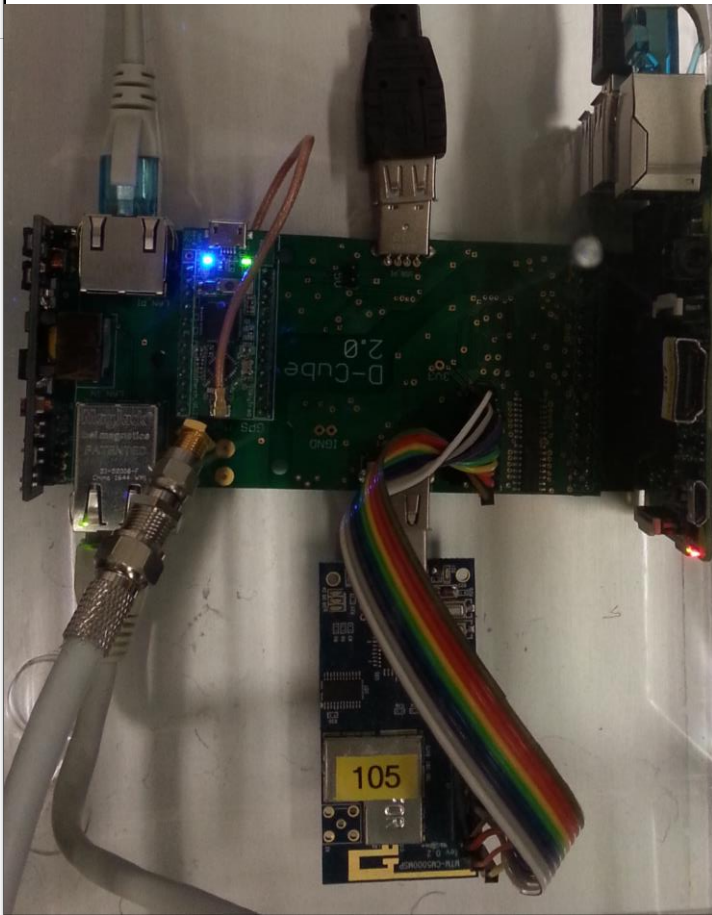
- The testbed allows contestants to program several Maxfor/Advanticsys MTM-CM5000-MSP nodes (replicas of TelosB/Tmote Sky nodes)
 - With and without SMA antenna
 - All powered via USB
 - 10 kB of RAM
 - Attached to **D-Cube**



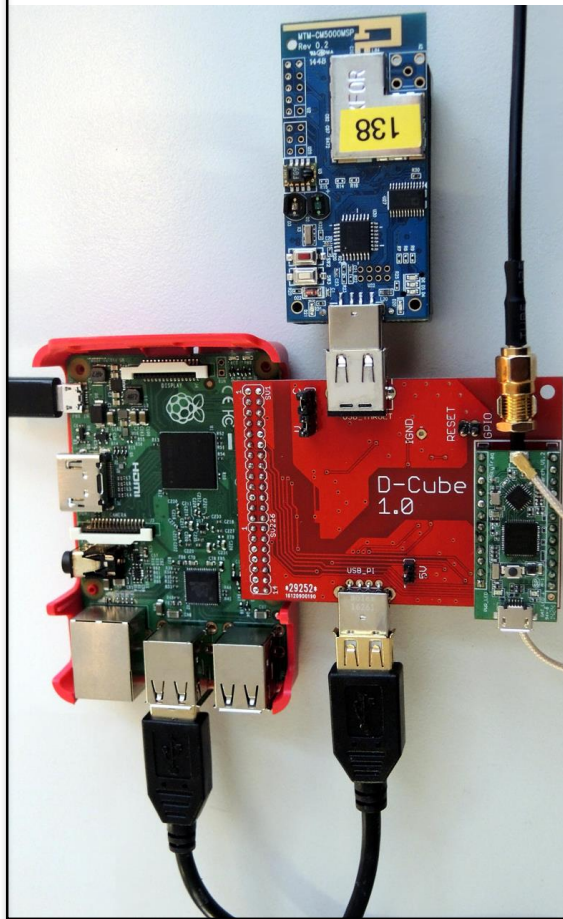
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- More info: <http://iti.tugraz.at/d-cube>

This year's prototype (EWSN'18)



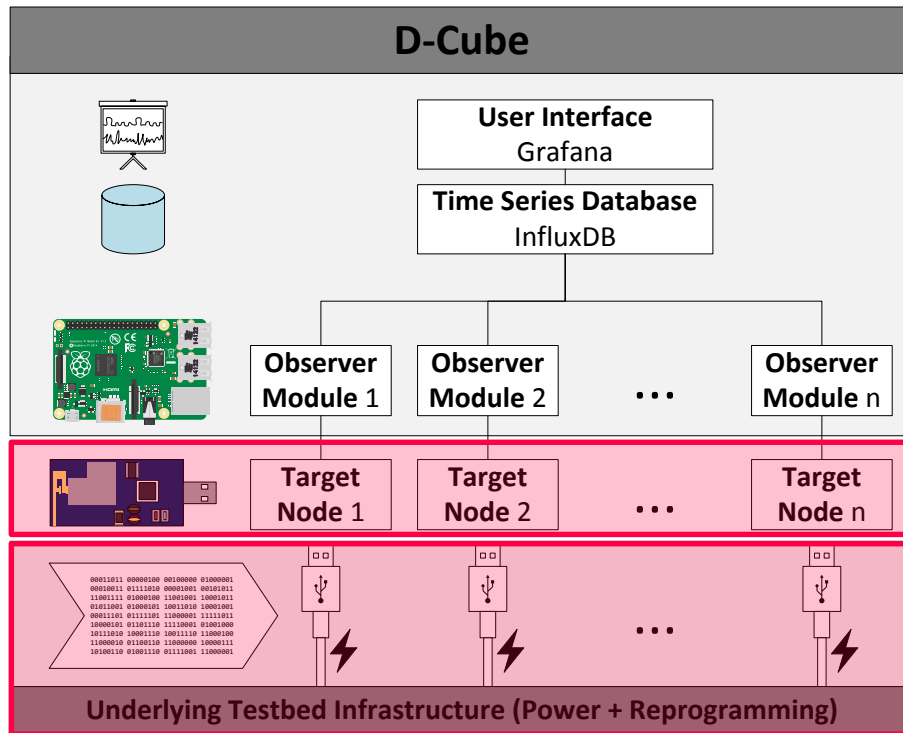
EWSN'17 version



EWSN'16 version



Testbed Hardware: D-Cube



■ Target nodes

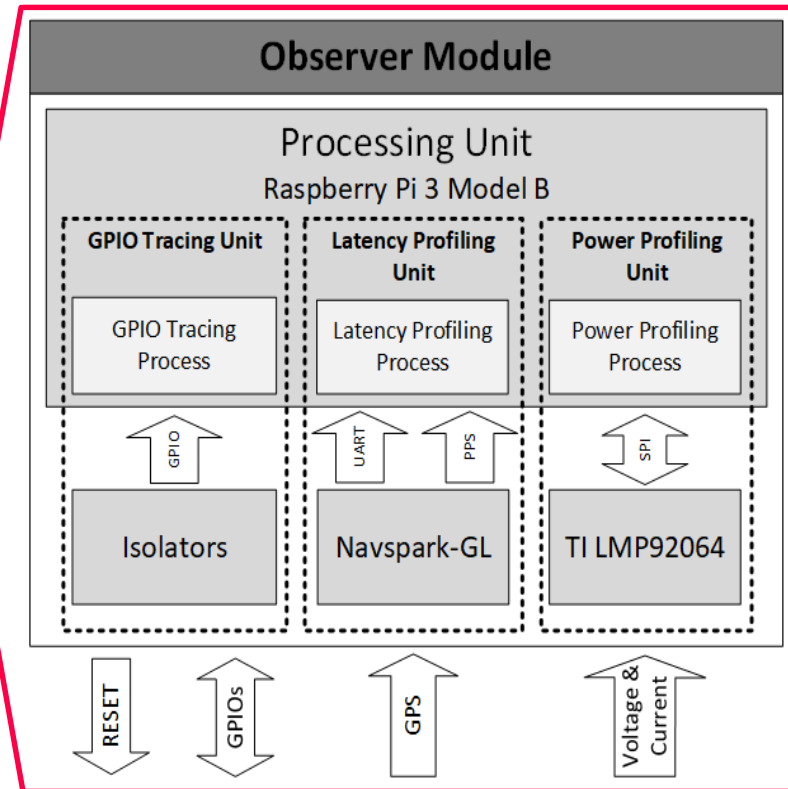
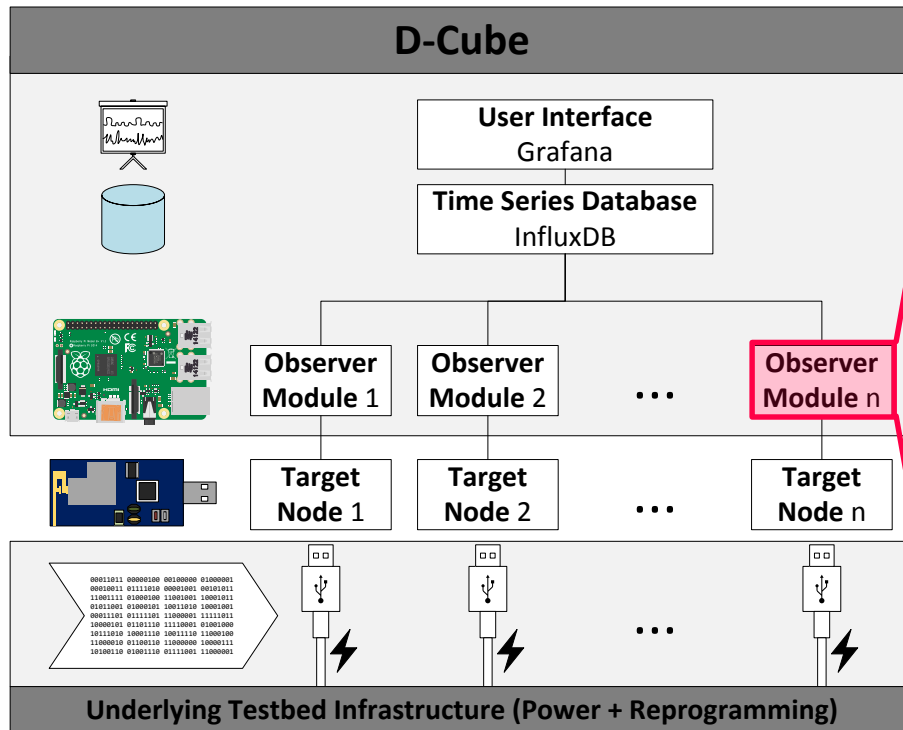
- Devices running the code/system under test
- D-Cube agnostic to HW platform chosen as target
- MTM-CM5000-MSP nodes (TelosB replicas - 10 kB RAM)



■ Underlying infrastructure

- Power + reprogramming of the target nodes
- Allows to disable the UART interface

Testbed Hardware: D-Cube



■ Observer modules

- Each module monitors exactly one target node
- Raspberry Pi 3 + custom-made add-on card (ADC+GPS)

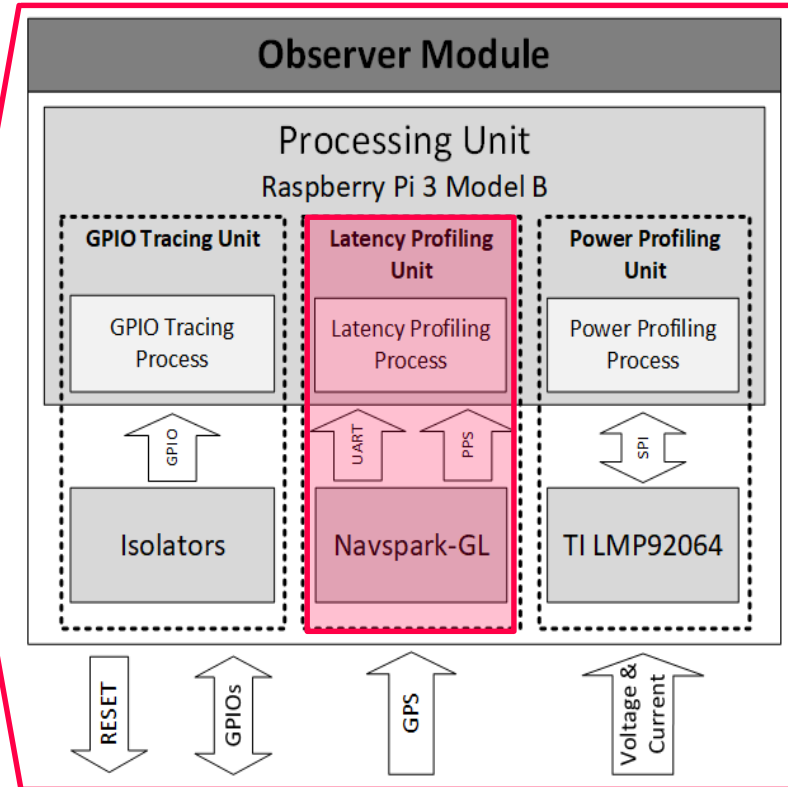
D-Cube

The diagram illustrates the D-Cube architecture, which is designed for monitoring and testing hardware components. The system is organized into several layers:

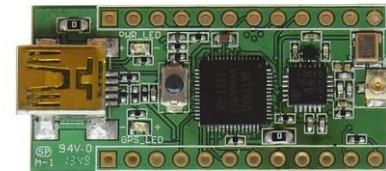
- User Interface:** Grafana, which provides the visualization and control interface.
- Time Series Database:** InfluxDB, which stores the collected data.
- Observer Modules:** Multiple modules (Observer Module 1, Observer Module 2, ..., Observer Module n) that collect data from the target nodes.
- Target Nodes:** Multiple nodes (Target Node 1, Target Node 2, ..., Target Node n) that are being monitored or tested.
- Underlying Testbed Infrastructure:** The physical hardware and power/reprogramming infrastructure that supports the target nodes.

Key components and data flow include:

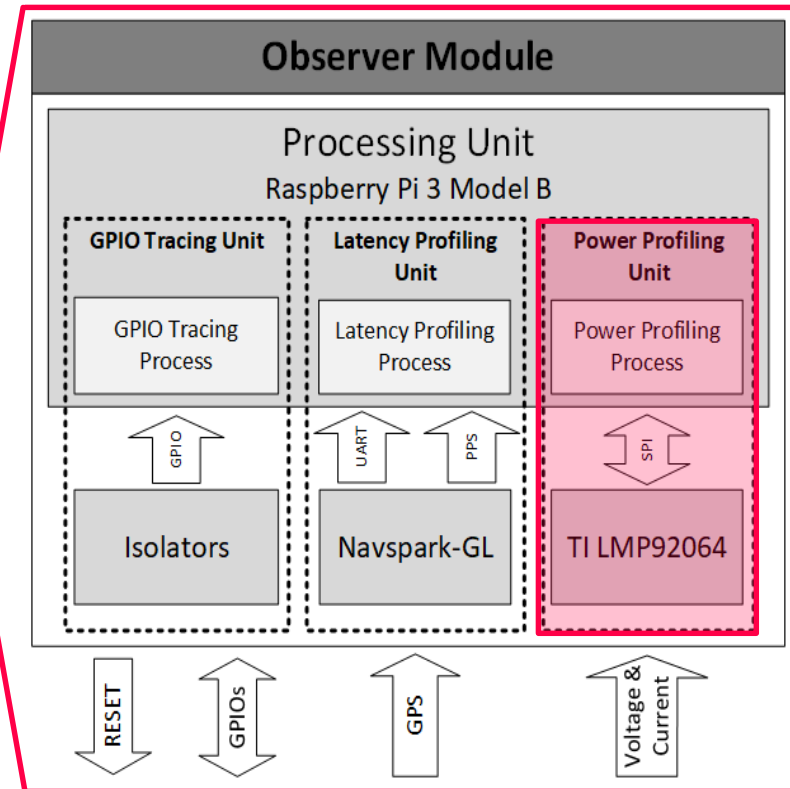
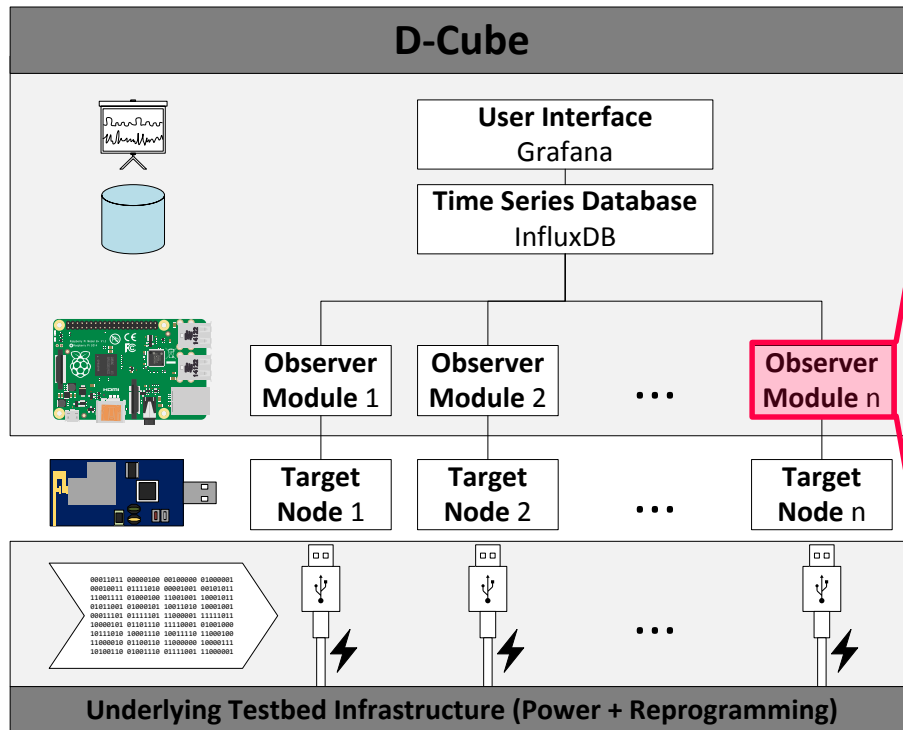
- Data Collection:** Target nodes send data to observer modules, which then store it in the InfluxDB database.
- Visualization:** The data is visualized through the Grafana user interface.
- Hardware Representation:** Icons represent a presentation board, a database cylinder, a Raspberry Pi (observer module), and a USB device (target node).
- Testbed Infrastructure:** A detailed view of the hardware shows a USB device connected to a power source (lightning bolt) and a reprogramming interface (USB symbol).
- Data Representation:** A hexagram shape contains binary data, likely representing the test results or configuration data.



- Observers: latency profiling
 - GPS module to synchronize system clock (NavSpark-GL: Arduino DevBoard with GPS/GLONASS)
<http://navspark.mybigcommerce.com/navspark-gl-arduino-compatible-development-board-with-gps-glonass/>
 - Ensures accurate time measurements across the nodes in the testbed



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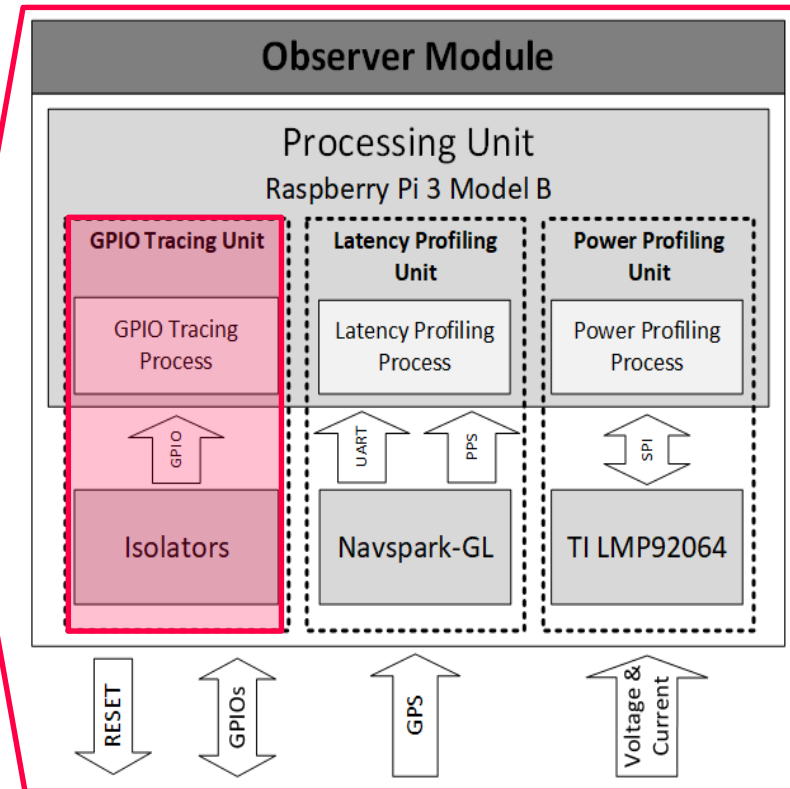
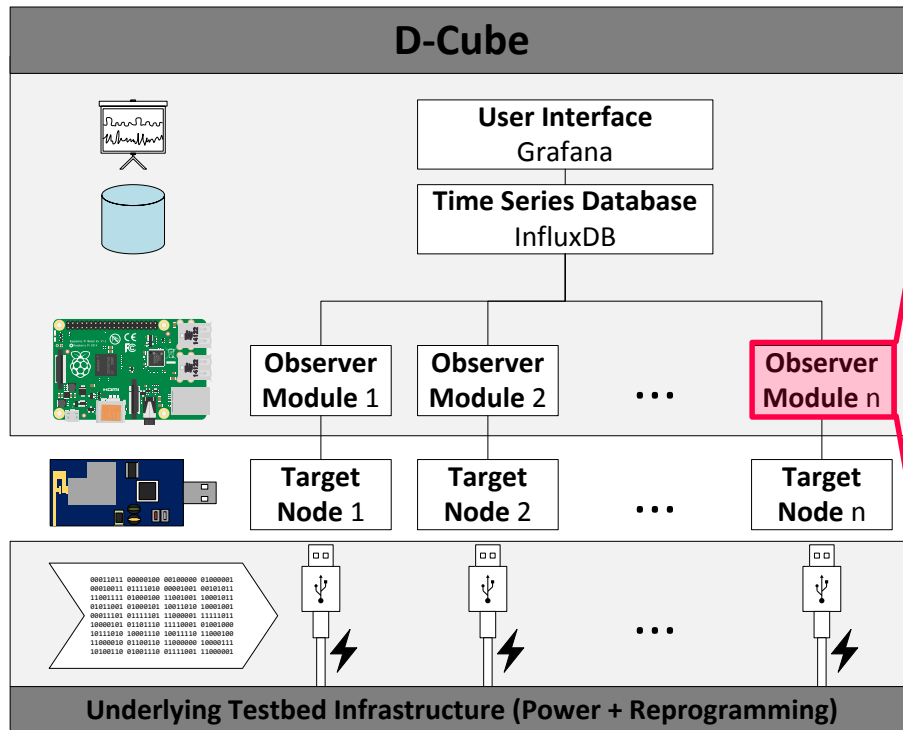


■ Observers: power profiling

→ Simultaneous sampling ADC (TI LMP92064) read via SPI @ 62.5 kHz using a real-time process

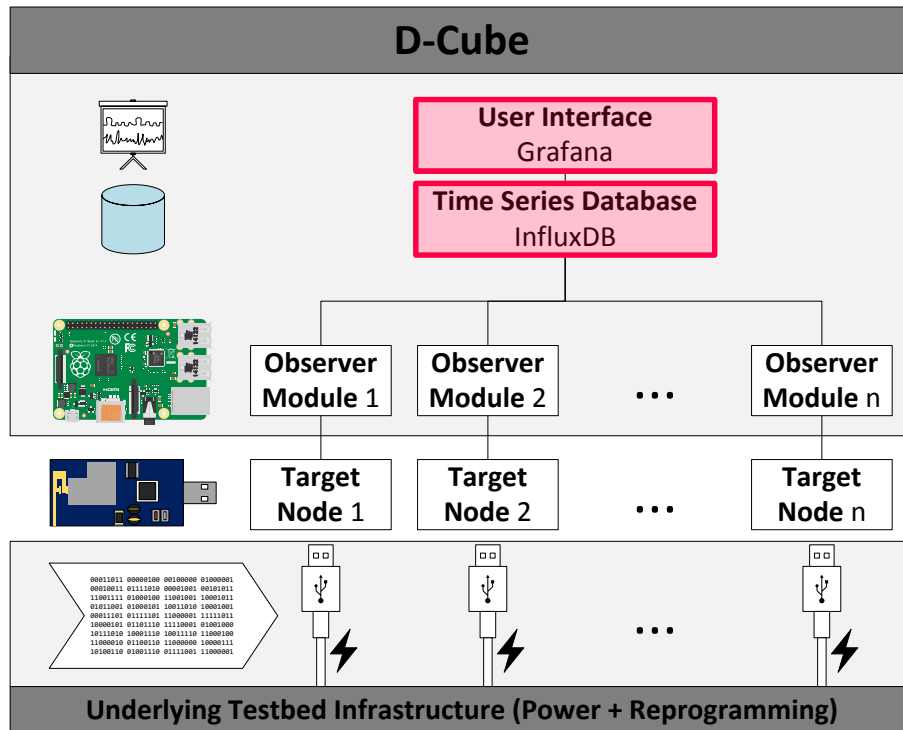
- ❖ Voltage channel: up to 10.82V with 2.82mV resolution
- ❖ Current channel: up to 150.59mA with 39.22μA resolution

Testbed Hardware: D-Cube



- **Observers: GPIO profiling**
 - GPIO changes are monitored using the same real-time process sampling the ADC
 - System clock accuracy is ensured by the GPS module (NTP for nodes where GPS is unavailable)

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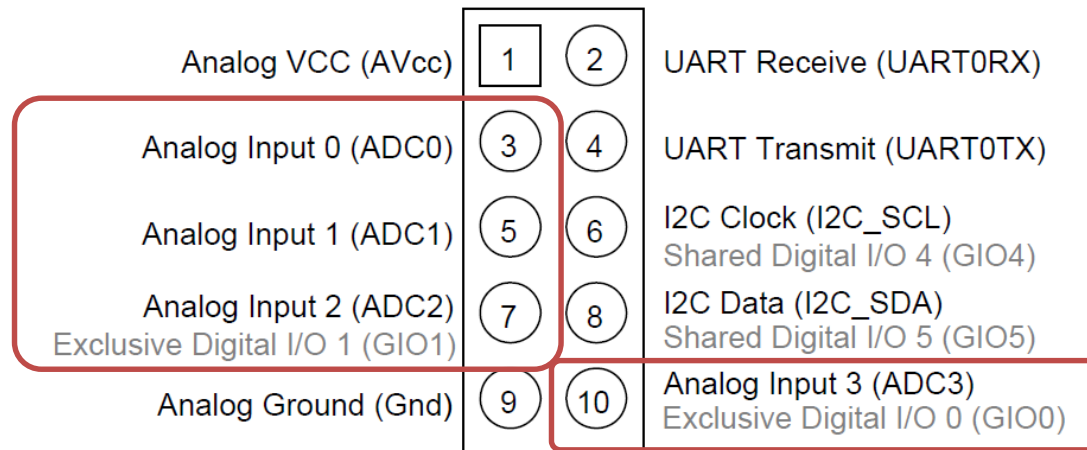
- Time Series database
 - Collects and persistently stores the data from all observers
 - InfluxDB (open-source)
 - Nanosecond precision timestamps
- User Interface
 - Acts as proxy to the database and gives real-time feedback
 - Grafana (open-source)



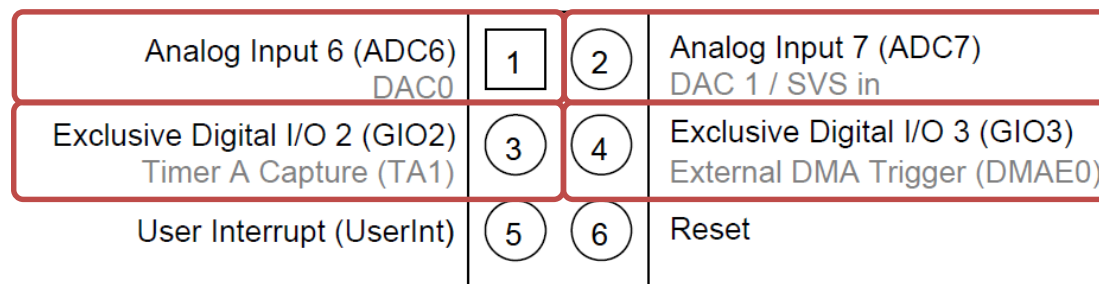
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10-pin expansion connector (U2)



6-pin expansion connector (U28)

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Example on how to configure the pins of the sensor node

1	2
3	4
5	6
1. DAC0	6.6 (Grey)
2. SVSIn	6.7 (Green)
3. GIO2	2.3 (Blue)
4. GIO3/SVSout	2.6 (Purple)
5. UserINT	-
6. RESET	Reset (White)

1	2
3	4
5	6
7	8
9	10
1. DVCC	-
2. UART0RX	-
3. ADC0	6.0 (Brown)
4. UART0TX	-
5. ADC1	6.1 (Red)
6. I2C_SCL	-
7. ADC2/GIO1	6.2 (Orange)
8. I2C_SDA	-
9. GND	-
10. ADC3/GIO0	6.3 (Yellow)

```
//ADC0
P6SEL &= ~(BIT0);
P6DIR |= BIT0;

//ADC1
P6SEL &= ~(BIT1);
P6DIR |= BIT1;

//ADC2
P6SEL &= ~(BIT2);
P6DIR |= BIT2;

//ADC3
P6SEL &= ~(BIT3);
P6DIR |= BIT3;

//ADC7
P6SEL &= ~(BIT7);
P6DIR |= BIT7;

//GIO2
P2SEL &= ~(BIT3);
P2DIR |= BIT3;

//GIO3
P2SEL &= ~(BIT6);
P2DIR |= BIT6;

//ADC6 / DAC0
P6SEL &= ~(BIT6);
P6DIR |= BIT6;
```

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Conversion table of the GPIO naming scheme in Grafana

Sensor Node	Grafana
ADC0	GPIO 17
ADC1	GPIO 4
ADC2/GIO1	GPIO 18
ADC3/GIO0	GPIO 27
ADC7/SVSin	GPIO 22
GIO2	GPIO 23
GIO3/SVSout	GPIO 24
DAC0/ADC6	GPIO 25

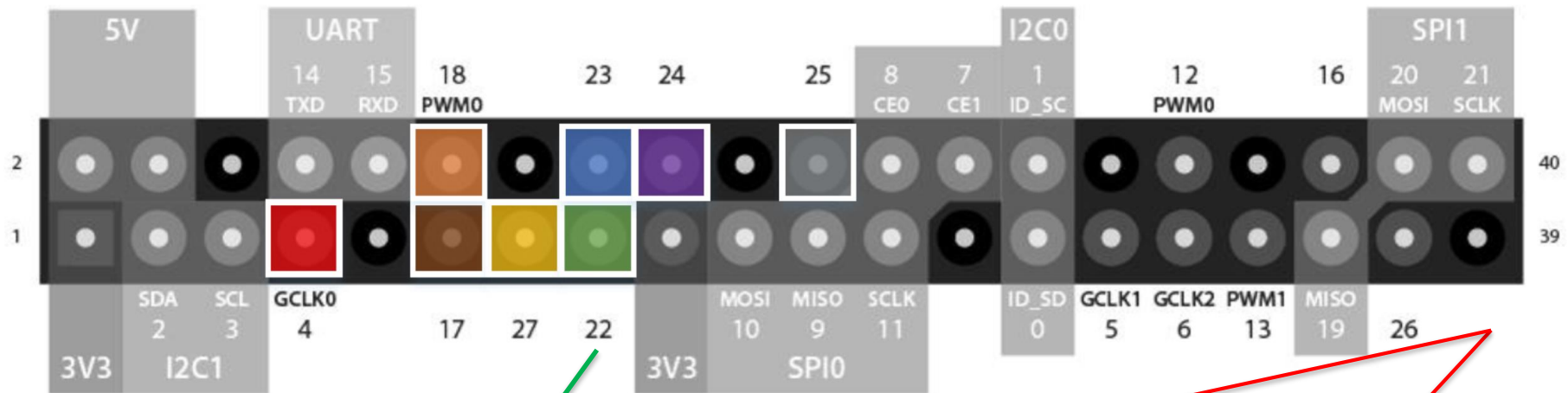
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5	6	5. UserINT	-	-
6		6. RESET	Reset (White)	-

1	2	1. DVCC	-	-
2	3	2. UART0RX	-	-
3	4	3. ADC0	6.0 (Brown)	-
4	5	4. UART0TX	-	-
5	6	5. ADC1	6.1 (Red)	-
6	7	6. I2C_SCL	-	-
7	8	7. ADC2/GIO1	6.2 (Orange)	-
8	9	8. I2C_SDA	-	-
9	10	9. GND	-	-
10		10. ADC3/GIO0	6.3 (Yellow)	-

Numbering of GPIO Pins in Grafana

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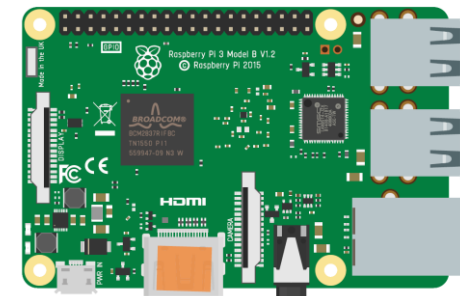
Raspberry Pi GPIO BCM numbering



(Pin 22 on
Raspberry Pi3)

ADC7/SVSin

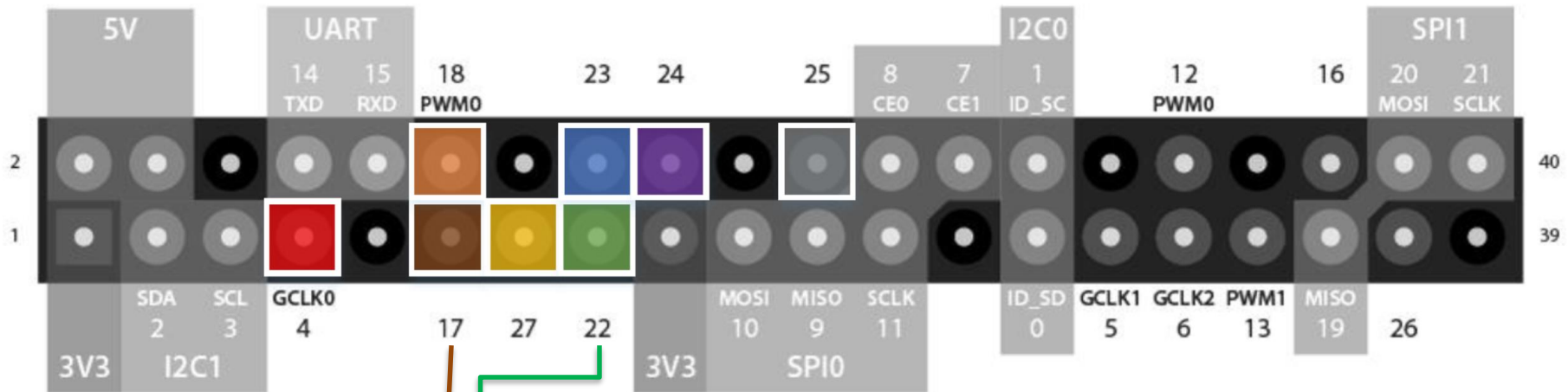
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ADC1	GPIO 4	ADC7/SVSin	GPIO 22	DAC0/ADC6	GPIO 25
ADC2/GIO1	GPIO 18	GIO2	GPIO 23		

"GPIO Pins" Tab in Grafana

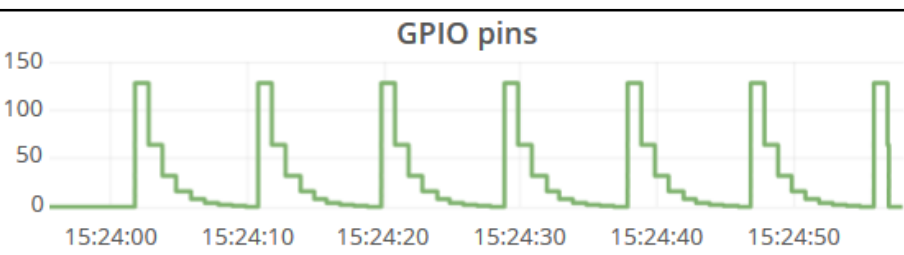
- In the “Overview of individual nodes” tab, the displayed “GPIO pins” numbers in Grafana is derived with the following mapping:

- Example: “GPIO pins” value of 18

- 18 = 0001 0010 in binary
- Using Grafana’s mapping:
- ADC0=0; ADC1=0;
ADC2=0; **ADC3=1**
- SVSin=0; GIO2=0;
GIO3=1; ADC6=0

```
gpio=0;  
gpio=gpioRead(17);  
gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(4);  
gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(18);  
gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(27);  
gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(22);  
gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(23);  
gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(24);  
gpio=(gpio<<1) | gpioRead(25);
```

Mapping in Grafana



GPIO Pins: Frequently Asked Questions

- How often do GPIO pins change?
 - Changes in the GPIOs of a source node can happen **anytime**
 - This implies that there could be events in the multipoint-to-point scenario that may last a few milliseconds only
 - We will not consider (punish) missing events that are shorter than 100ms in these settings
 - The minimum time between changes in the **same** GPIO pin of a source node is **one second**

Node Types & Identities

Node Identities

- Node address of all nodes is known beforehand
 - Provided text file in the blog:
`List of node addresses.txt`
 - The file contains: Node ID in flash, FTDI Serial ID, DS2411 ID
- Node ID in flash
 - 16-bit unsigned short value (e.g., 100, 101)
stored by Contiki in the 1 MB external flash → [Contiki example](#)
- DS2411 ID
 - Provided by the on-board DS2411 chip
 - Important: Contiki changes the ds2411_id byte 0 such that it is not an odd number, e.g.,
119 → 00:12:75:00:13:b7:71:6d → 00:12:74:00:13:b7:71:6d

The node list may be updated during the next weeks
depending on failures and/or testbed updates!

Node Type: Frequently Asked Questions

- How many **source** and **destinations** nodes there will be in the network?
 - There will not be more than 60 nodes (currently 51 deployed)
 - There will not be more than 32 source/destination nodes (e.g., 20 sources, 12 destinations): the remaining nodes will be only-forwarding nodes
 - Each source node monitors up to 8 events (i.e., up to 8 GPIOs) in parallel
 - Each destination node reports up to 8 events (i.e., up to 8 GPIOs) in parallel



Tentative Agenda

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- Preparation phase
(29.11.2017 – 29.01.2018)
 1. First preparation phase: Testing of infrastructure
29.11.2017 – 14.12.2017
 - Simplified scenario
 - No harsh RF environment
 2. Second preparation phase: Introducing jamming
15.12.2017 – 14.01.2018
 - A more advanced scenario added (details follow)
 - Harsh RF environment can be generated ⚡
 3. Third preparation phase: Large-scale tests
15.01.2018 – 29.01.2018
 - Additional scenarios added (details follow)
 - Leaderboard and detailed evaluations (details follow)

NOW!

Tentative Agenda

- Submission of final software
 - January 29, 2018 at 23:59 (AoE)
 - One single `.ihex` file per competing team



Tentative Agenda

■ Evaluation phase (30.01.2018 – 12.02.2018)



- The final code submitted by each team will be run multiple times by the organizers during the evaluation phase
 - Harsh RF environmental conditions will vary over time, i.e., the intensity of interference will vary between 0 and ⚡₃
 - Differently from the previous editions of the competition, contestants cannot assume the absence of harsh RF conditions at the startup of the experiment
 - If two or more teams have an optimal performance (i.e., 100% reliability) and similar scores, an interference intensity higher than ⚡₃ may be used to find the winner
- The network architecture will not change between the preparation phase and the final evaluation, but nodes will be shuffled to avoid that teams hardcode optimal routes learnt during the preparation

Tentative Agenda

- EWSN Conference in Madrid (15.02.2018)



- Preliminary program:

...

12:50 - 14:00: Lunch

14:00 - 15:00: Awards and winners' presentations

(three best teams will present their solutions on-stage)

15:00 - 15:30: Discussion and future directions

15:30 - 16:30: Poster session

(each team will have one dedicated poster in this session)

16:30 - 18:00: Session 3: Emerging Networking Paradigms

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List of Accepted Contestants



Nine teams from both academia and industry

- 44 researchers and practitioners from China, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Sweden, Switzerland, and United Kingdom

Accepted Contestants

■ Team 01

- “Aggressive Synchronous Transmissions with In-network Processing for Dependable All-to-All Communication”
- Beshr Al Nahas and Olaf Landsiedel
Chalmers University of Technology, Sweden

■ Team 02

- “Using Enhanced OFPCOIN to Monitor Multiple Concurrent Events under Adverse Conditions”
- Xiaoyuan Ma^{1,3}, Peilin Zhang⁴, Weisheng Tang^{1,3}, Xin Li^{1,2}, Wangji He^{1,2,3}, Fuping Zhang¹, Jianming Wei¹, and Oliver Theel⁴
¹Shanghai Advanced Research Institute, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
²ShanghaiTech University, School of Information Science & Technology, China
³University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
⁴Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg, Germany

Accepted Contestants

■ Team 03

- “BigBangBus”
- Antonio Escobar^{1,2}, Fernando Moreno¹, Antonio J. Cabrera¹, Javier Garcia-Jimenez³, Francisco J. Cruz⁴, Jirka Klaue⁵, Angel Corona⁵, Divya Tati⁵, and Thomas Meyerhoff⁵

¹Infineon Technologies AG, Germany

²RWTH Aachen University, Germany

³BMW AG, Germany

⁴eesy-innovation GmbH, Germany

⁵Airbus Group Innovations, Germany

■ Team 04

- Name of contestants masked until the end of preparation phase due to existing double-blind submission (industrial submission)

Accepted Contestants

■ Team 05

- “CRYSTAL Clear: Making Interference Transparent”
- Matteo Trobinger¹, Timofei Istomin¹, Amy L. Murphy², and Gian Pietro Picco¹

¹University of Trento, Italy

²Bruno Kessler Foundation, Italy

■ Team 06

- “Smart flooding with multichannel for industrial wireless sensor networks”
- Jinpeng Wang, Hamadoun Tall, and Gérard Chalhoub
University of Clermont-Auvergne / LIMOS CNRS, France

Accepted Contestants

■ Team 07

- “Wireless-Transparent Sensing Platform”
- Chun-Hao Liao, Theerat Sakdejayont, Makoto Suzuki, Yoshiaki Narusue, and Hiroyuki Morikawa
School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo, Japan

■ Team 08

- “CROWN: Concurrent ReceptiOns in Wireless Sensor and Actuator Networks”
- Usman Raza, Yichao Jin, Aleksandar Stanoev, and Mahesh Sooryabandara
Toshiba Research Europe Limited, Bristol, United Kingdom

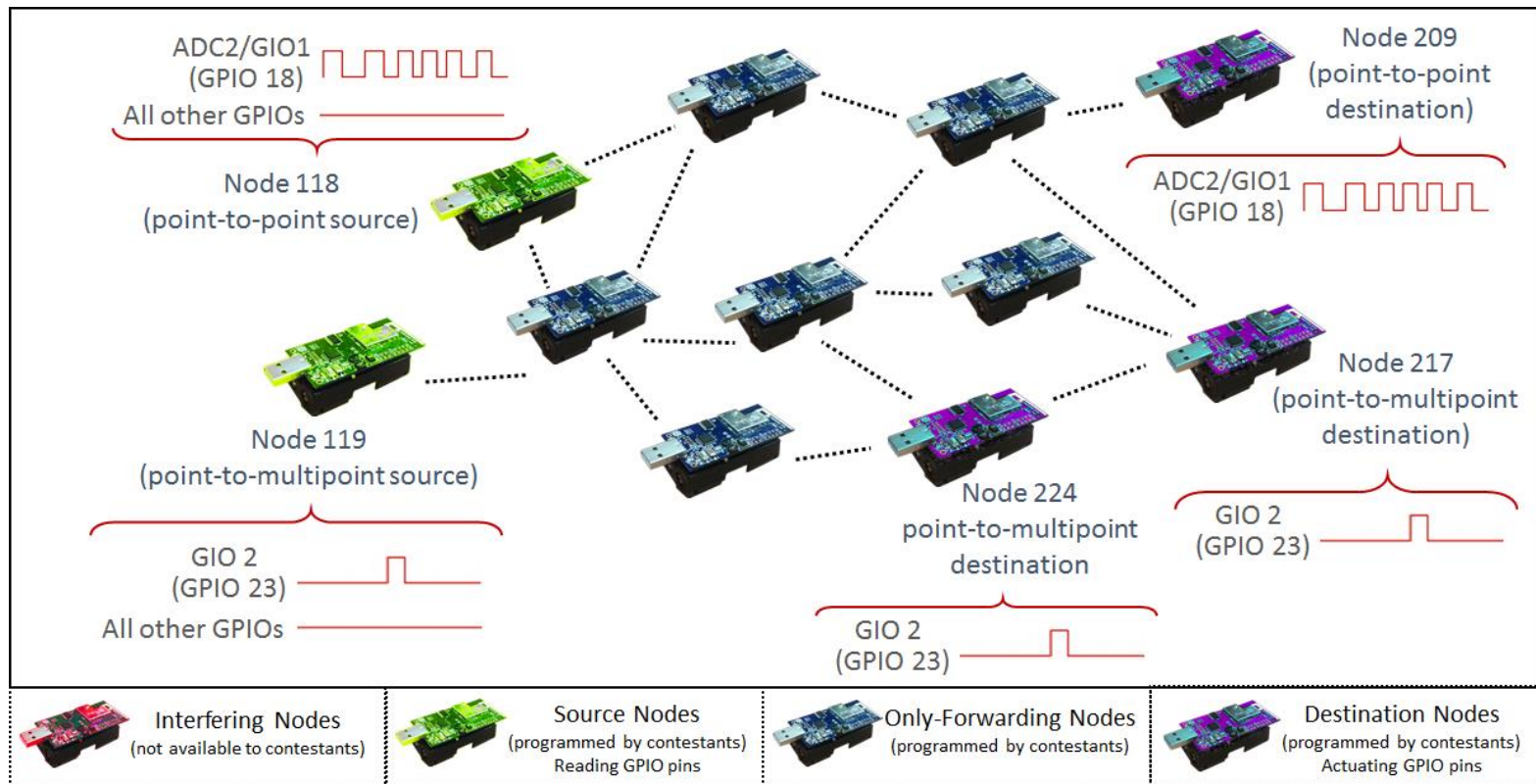
■ Team 09

- “Energy-Efficient Many-to-Many Communication with Channel-Hopping”
- Philipp Sommer, Yvonne-Anne Pignolet, Stevan Marinkovic, Aurelien Monot, Maelle Kabir-Querrec, and Robert Birke
ABB Corporate Research, Baden-Daettwil, Switzerland

Evaluation Scenarios

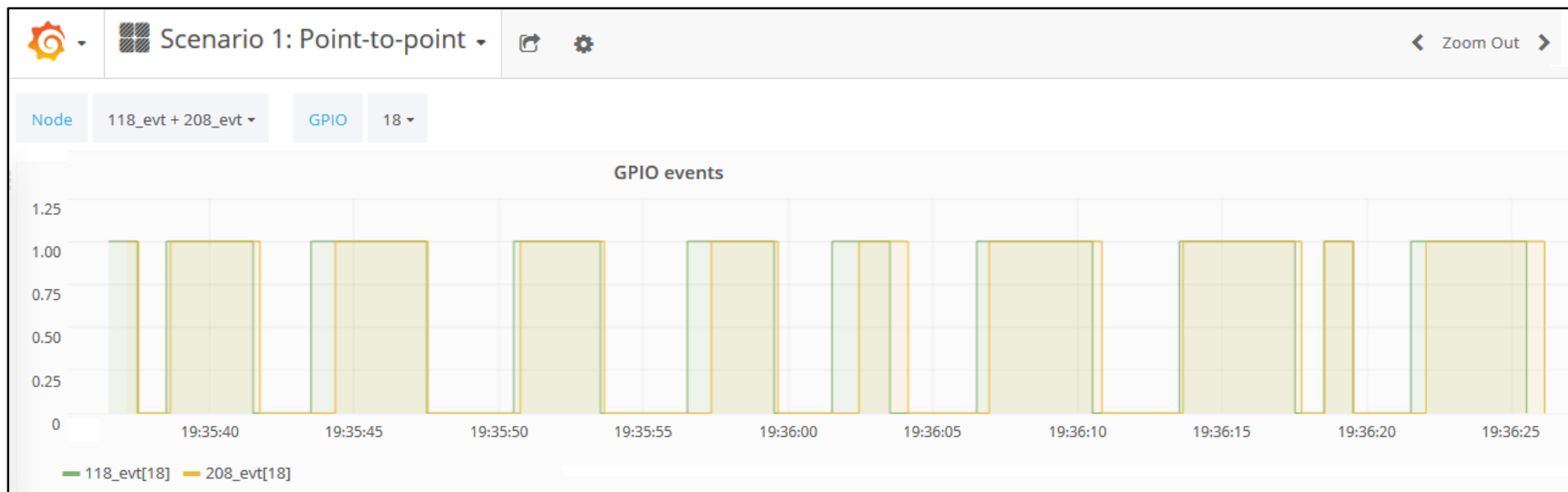
1st Preparation Phase

- To get the contestants acquainted with the testbed facility, a simple evaluation scenario is initially available
 - **Point-to-point** communication from node **118** to **209** (GPIO18)
 - **Point-to-multipoint** communication from **119** to **217 & 224** (GPIO23)



Grafana Visualization of Eval. Scenarios

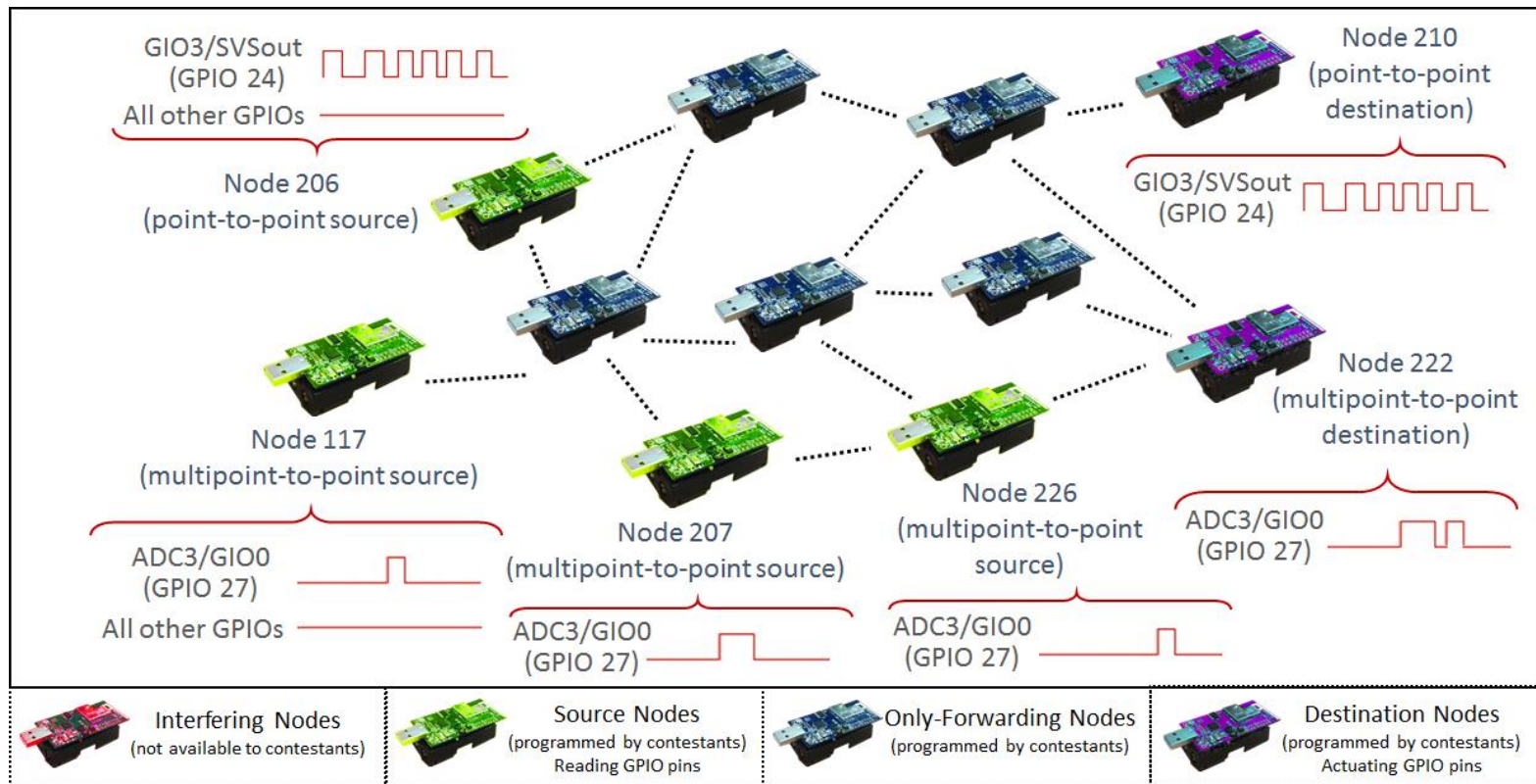
- Specific "Scenario" tabs available on the Grafana Dashboard
 - Showing if the GPIO of the nodes employed on a specific scenario have been toggled correctly



Additional scenarios will be added regularly over time

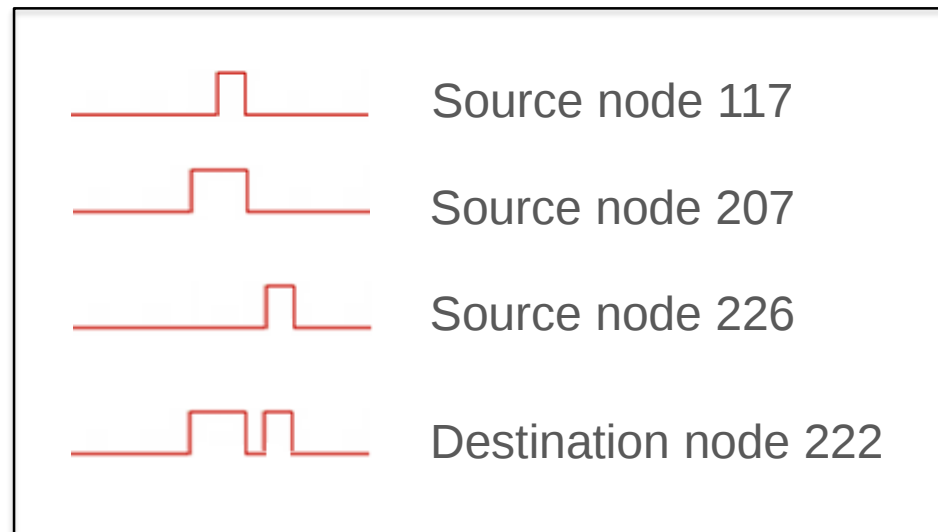
2nd Preparation Phase

- Two additional scenarios are available
 - Point-to-point communication from node 206 to 210 (GPIO24)
 - Multipoint-to-point communication from nodes 117 & 207 & 226 to 222 (GPIO27)



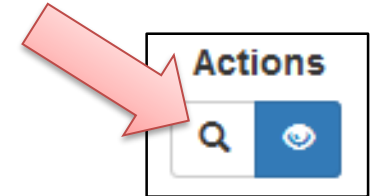
2nd Preparation Phase

- Two additional scenarios are available
 - **Point-to-point** communication from node **206** to **210** (GPIO24)
 - **Multipoint-to-point** communication from nodes **117 & 207 & 226** to **222** (GPIO27)
 - Node 222 ORs the information obtained by the three source nodes on GPIO27 (ADC3/GIO0 pin)



Evaluation of Experiments

- Available for the first set of scenarios
 - Example: node 119 to 217



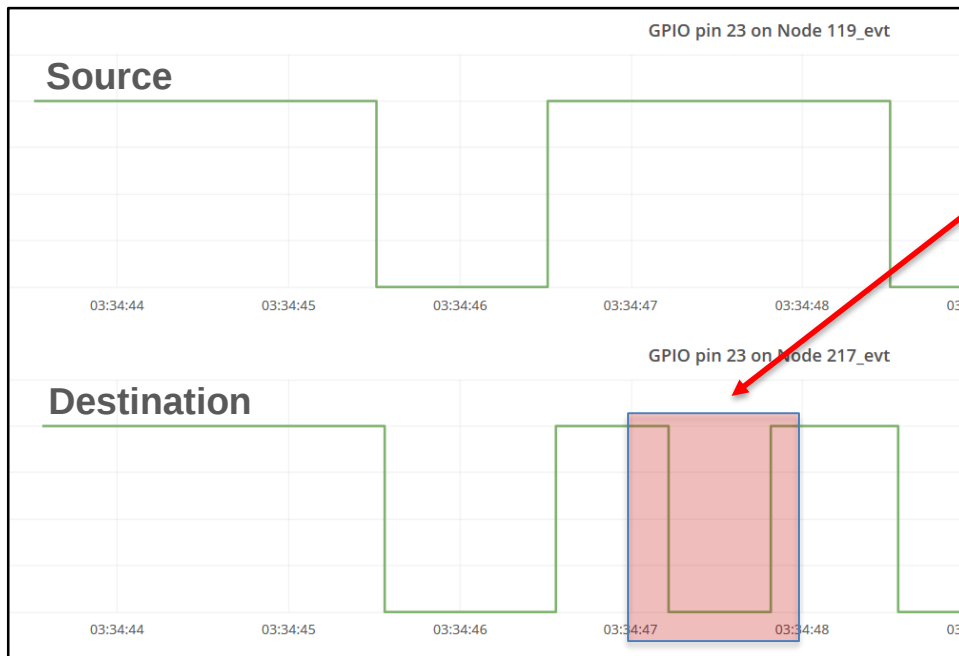
- Evaluation of reliability
(# of events detected)
- Evaluation of latency
(mean & median)
- Evaluation of energy
consumption
(Σ of all nodes in Joule)

Details for job 1877		Show in Grafana	
Information		Evaluation	
Parameter	Value	119 to 217	
Team	00	Reliability	
Name	Testrun	Reliability [%]	
Firmware	firmware.ihex	Events detected on source node	
Description		Events detected on sink node	
Duration	300s	Correct events	
Scheduled	11.01.18 16:37	Missed events	
Experiment started	11.01.18 20:27	Superfluous events	
Experiment ended	11.01.18 20:33	Events with causality error	
Flags	✓	Latency	
		Latency combined [us]	
		Latency mean [us]	
		Latency median [us]	
		Energy	
		Total Energy [J]	
		119 to 224	
		Reliability	

Evaluation of Experiments

- Reliability (# of events detected)
 - What are superfluous events?

Extra events reported by the destination node



Reliability

Events detected on source node	52
Events detected on sink node	52
Correct events	52
Missed events	0
Superfluous events	0
Events with causality error	0

Evaluation of Experiments

- Reliability (# of events detected)
 - What are missed events?

Cases in which the destination did not report a pin change in the source before the next pin change actually occurred



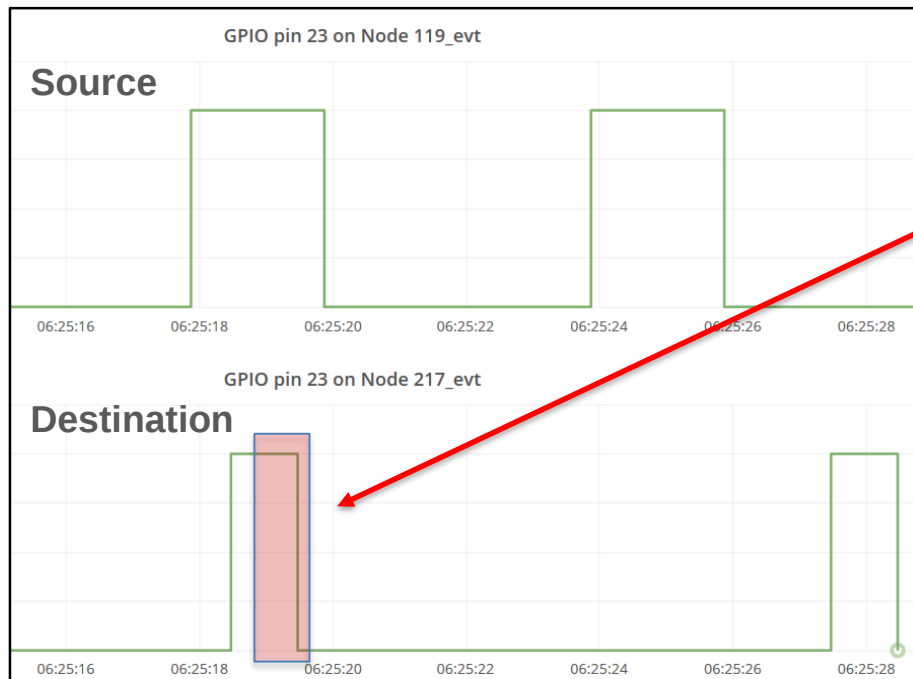
Reliability

Events detected on source node	52
Events detected on sink node	52
Correct events	52
Missed events	0
Superfluous events	0
Events with causality error	0

Evaluation of Experiments

- Reliability (# of events detected)
 - What are events with a causality error?

Cases in which the destination reported a pin change at the source before it has actually happened



Reliability	
Events detected on source node	52
Events detected on sink node	52
Correct events	52
Missed events	0
Superfluous events	0
Events with causality error	0

Evaluation of Experiments

- How is the reliability score computed?

$$R = \frac{C}{E_S} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{K_S \cdot S}{E_S}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{K_C \cdot C}{E_S}\right)$$

- R = Reliability
- E_S is the number of events detected on source node
- S is the number of superfluous events
- C is the number of causality events
- $K_S = K_C = 2$



Reliability	
Reliability [%]	93.43
Events detected on source node	90
Events detected on sink node	90
Correct events	88
Missed events	2
Superfluous events	2
Events with causality error	0

Evaluation of Experiments

- How is the latency combined score computed?

$$L_C = \frac{L_{mean} + L_{median}}{2}$$

- L_C = Latency combined
- L_{mean} = Mean latency
- L_{median} = Median latency

Latency	
Latency combined [us]	541822.0
Latency mean [us]	526897
Latency median [us]	556747

Evaluation of Experiments

- In point-to-multipoint scenarios, also the evaluation statistics for each individual [source-destination] pairs are shown
 - Example:
Scenario: 119 → [217,224] (GPIO 23)

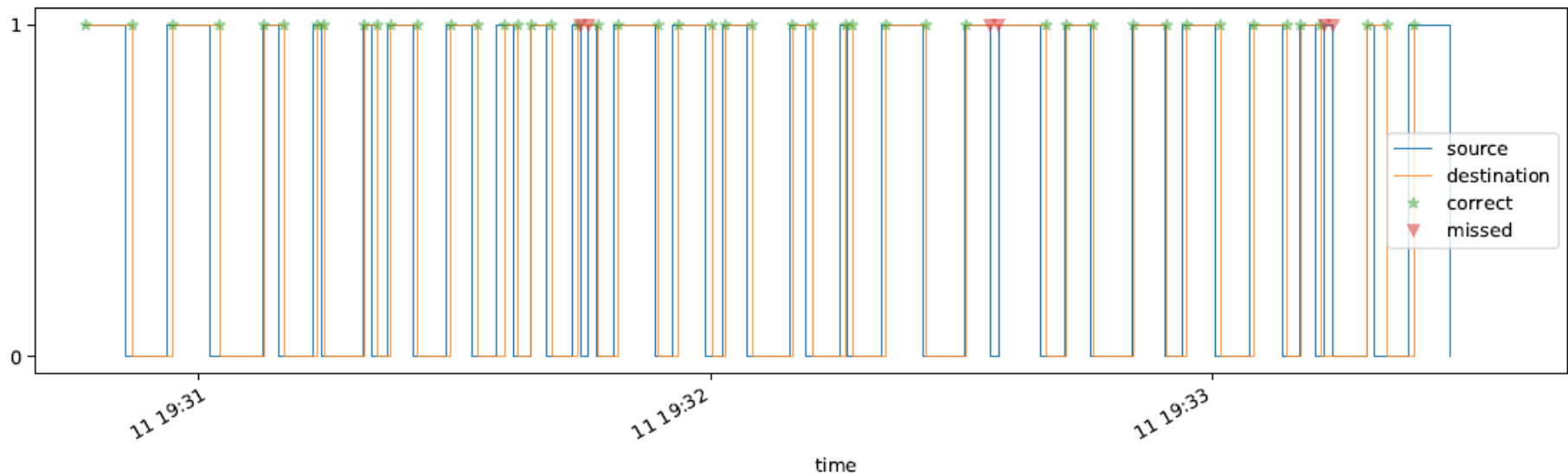
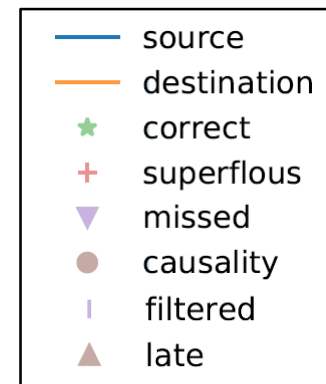
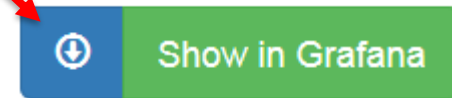
119 to 217	119 to 224	119 to [217*224]
Reliability	Reliability	Reliability
Reliability [%] 93.43	Reliability [%] 93.43	Reliability [%] 93.43
Events detected on source node 90	Events detected on source node 90	Events detected on source node 90
Events detected on sink node 90	Events detected on sink node 90	Events detected on sink node 90
Correct events 88	Correct events 88	Correct events 88

- Only the aggregate evaluation will be considered in the computation of the final score

Evaluation of Experiments

■ Detailed analysis

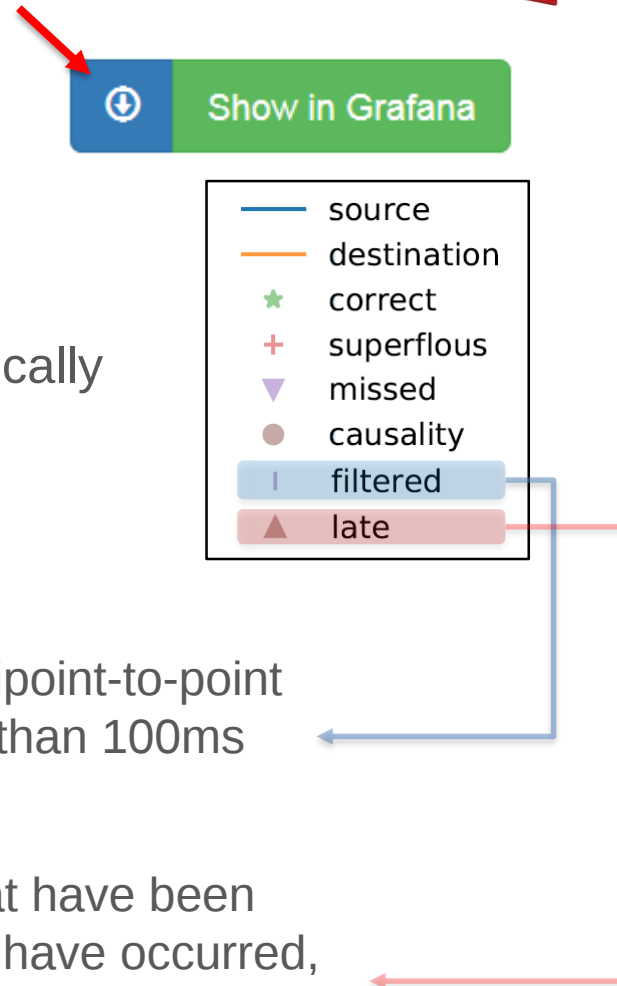
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- Events are marked graphically (correct, missed, ...)



Evaluation of Experiments

■ Detailed analysis

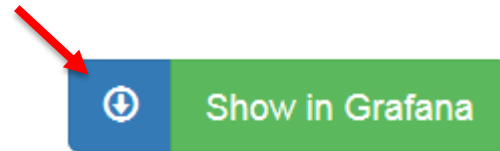
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- Events are marked graphically (correct, missed, ...)
- Filtered events in the multipoint-to-point scenario are those shorter than 100ms (see slide 40)
- Late events are events that have been reported after other events have occurred, but still within one-second time (and hence considered as correct)



Evaluation of Experiments

■ Detailed analysis

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—	source
—	destination
★	correct
+	superfluous
▼	missed
●	causality
	filtered
▲	late

- Please note that when running with log output enabled the accuracy of the GPIO tracing decreases significantly
 - May lead to causality errors, for example
 - We recommend disabling the log output if you are interested in the actual protocol performance



3rd Preparation Phase

- Three additional scenarios are available
 - **Point-to-point** communication from node **213** to **225** (GPIO4)
 - **Point-to-multipoint** communication from node **213** to nodes **108 & 200** (GPIO17)
 - **Multipoint-to-point** communication from nodes **219 & 110** to **220** (GPIO25)
- **Latest addition** (18.01.2018):
 - **Point-to-multipoint** communication from node **201** to nodes **209 & 211 & 224 & 225** (GPIO22)

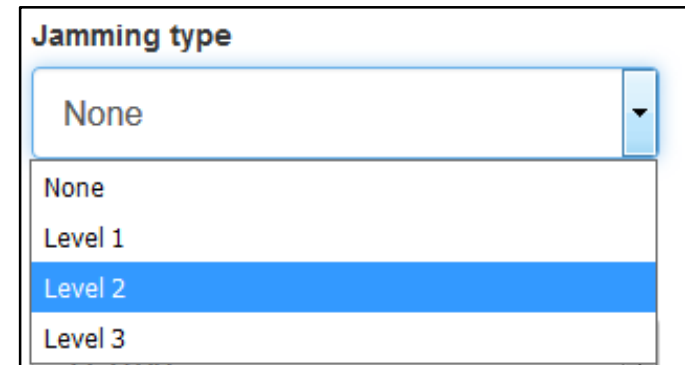
Summary of Scenarios

- These scenarios will be used in the final evaluation
 - 118 → 209 (GPIO 18)
 - 119 → [217,224] (GPIO 23)
 - 206 → 210 (GPIO 24)
 - [117,207,226] → 222 (GPIO 27)
 - 213 → 225 (GPIO 4)
 - 213 → [108,200] (GPIO 17)
 - [219,110] → 220 (GPIO 25)
 - 201 → [209,211,224,225] (GPIO 22)
- Important remarks:
 - The random seed used for the generation of GPIO events and of challenging RF environments will be changed in the final evaluation (this won't affect the intensity of interference, but the time distribution)
 - The position of forwarding nodes (i.e., nodes that are neither destinations nor sources) will be shuffled in the testbed, the source and destinations nodes will not be moved

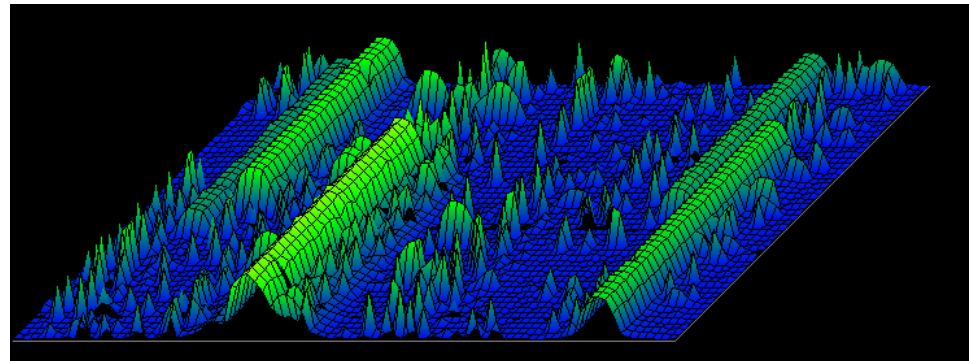
Challenging RF Environment

- The testbed infrastructure provides the ability to create a challenging RF environment on specific experiments
 - Contestants can select the rate at which Raspberry Pi3 nodes generate Wi-Fi traffic

Please note: the jamming pattern is probabilistic in order to avoid engineered solutions



- Jamming Type 1: only on a single frequency 
- Jamming Type 2: on multiple frequencies (mild) 
- Jamming Type 3: on multiple frequencies (stronger) 



Limitations on Frequency Usage

- The TI CC2420 radio allows to send and receive packets also outside the 2.4 GHz band (roughly between 2230 MHz and 2730 MHz)
 - No limitation about the usage of frequencies between 2400 and 2483.5 MHz
 - You can use any IEEE 802.15.4 channel (11 to 26)
 - The use of frequencies below 2400 and above 2483.5 MHz is strictly forbidden!
 - Any detected violation will lead to a disqualification



Performance Metrics

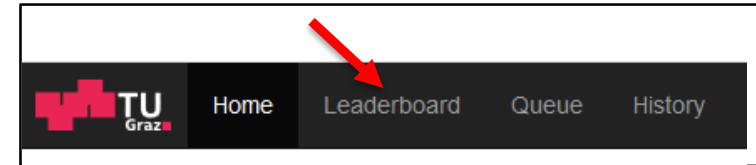
- A summary of the performance for each experiment is now available under “Job details”
 - The reliability, latency, and energy for each of the scenarios is averaged with equal weight



Performance Metrics

Metric	Result
Latency [ms]	506.5
Reliability [%]	87.5
Energy [J]	291.3

Leaderboard

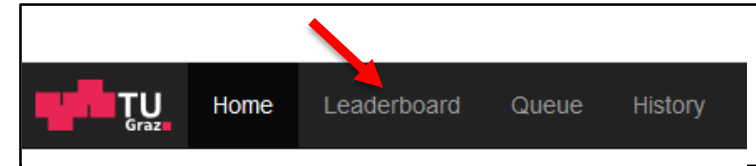


- The results of the experiments of all teams are summarized on a public leaderboard
 - As shown in the previous editions, knowledge of each other's performance is one of the salient aspects of the competition (to push each other's performance)



Contestants comparing the results from the leaderboard during EWSN'17 in Uppsala

Leaderboard



- The results of the experiments of all teams are summarized on a public leaderboard
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Duration
 Jamming
 Count

Leaderboard

Showing first 3 results for jobs with id>1872, with no jamming, duration 300s and with reliability between 75 and 100%

Energy

#	T	E[J]	R[%]	L[ms]
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1873	00	296.3	86.3	480.9

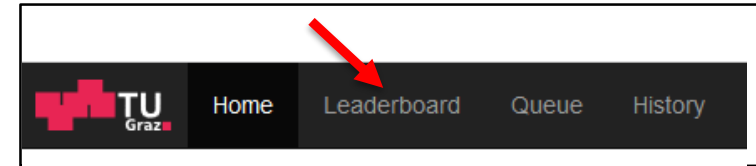
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Jamming

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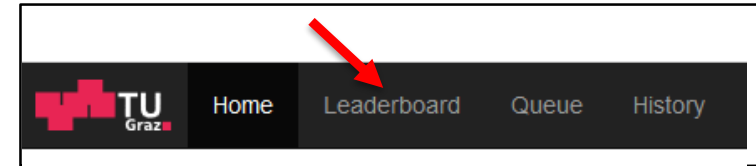
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Leaderboard



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Duration
300

Jamming
None

Count
3

Leaderboard

Showing first 3 results for jobs with id>1872, with no jamming, duration 300s and with reliability between 75 and 100%

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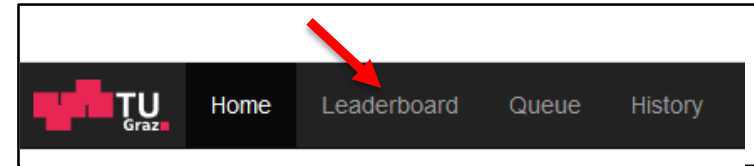
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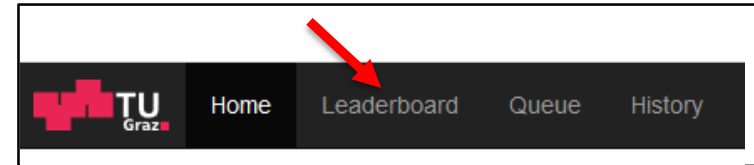
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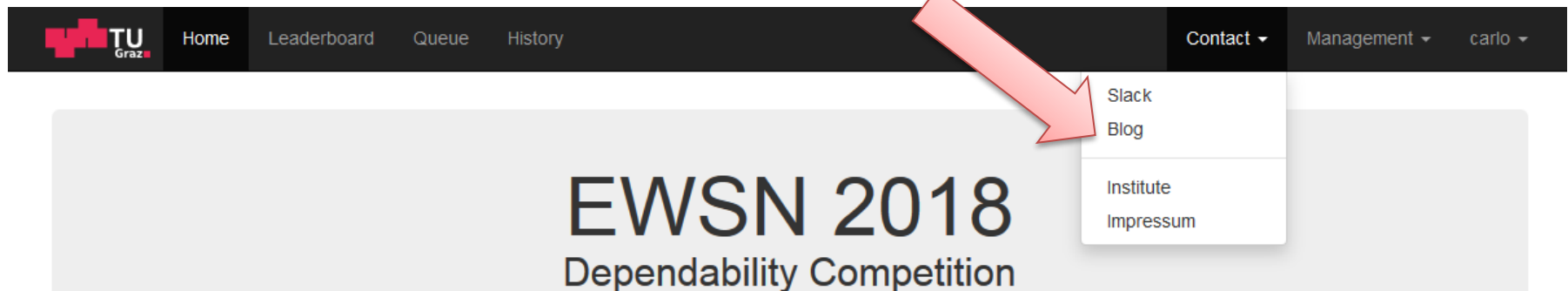
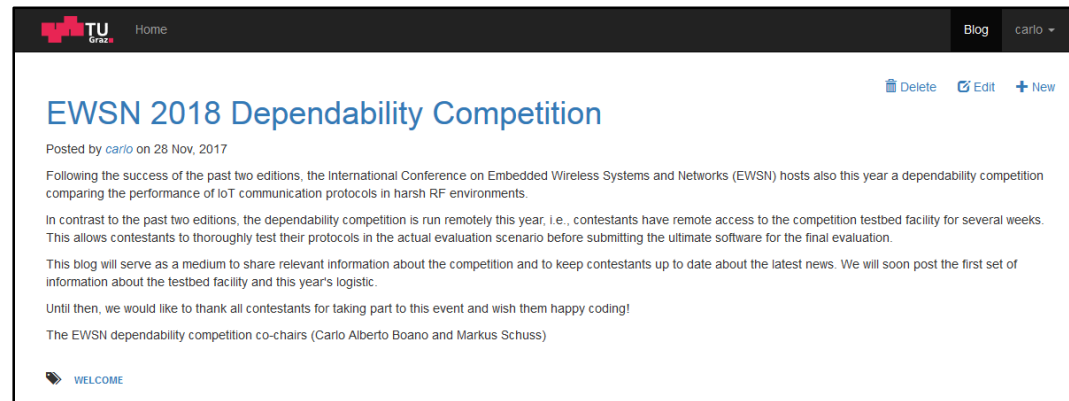


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 - Only results of the experiments run **without** log output enabled are considered in the leaderboard 
 - Logging significantly increases energy consumption
 - Logging decreases the precision of GPIO tracing

Communication with the Organizers

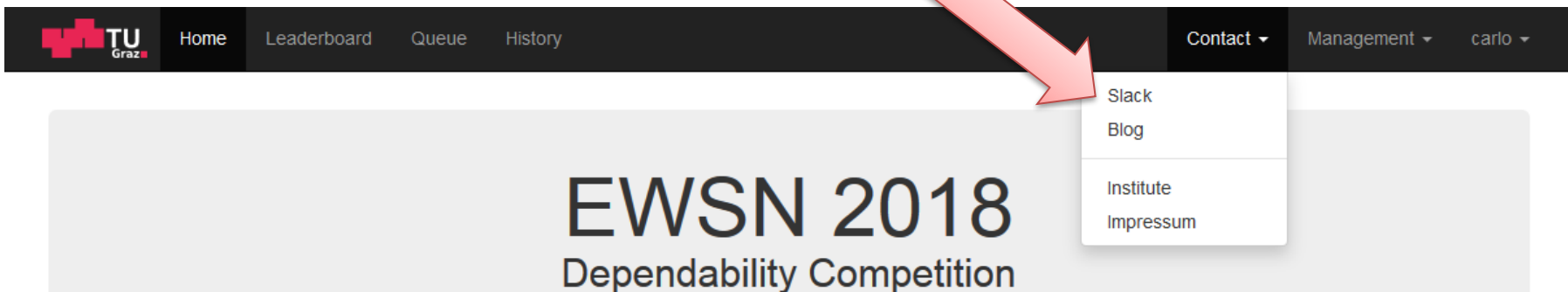
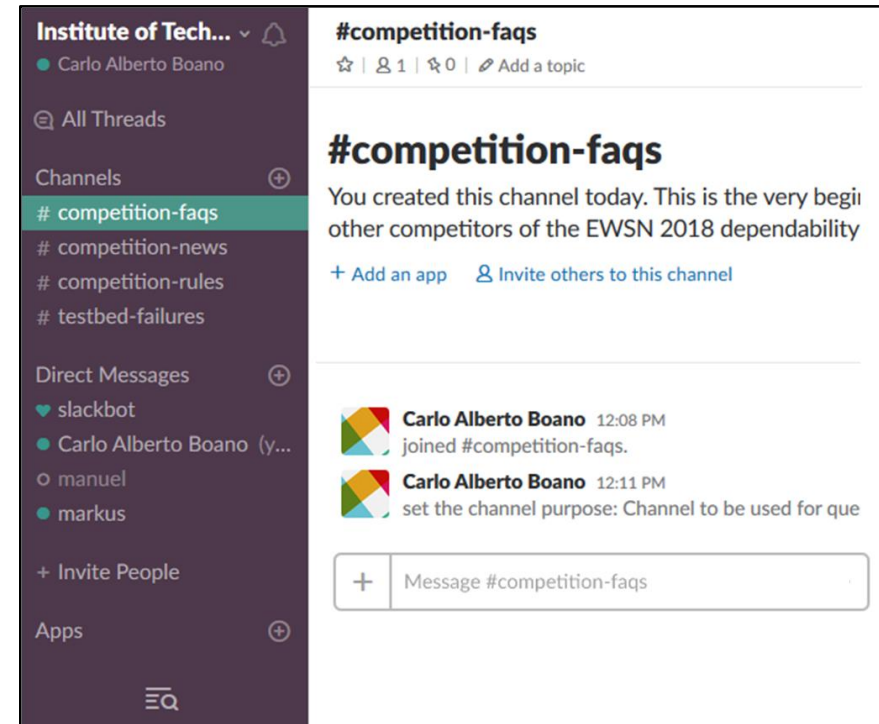
Official Blog

- The organizers have created a **blog** to keep contestants up to date about the logistics and any important news
 - Please check it regularly!
 - Answers to FAQs will be posted here



Slack Group

- The organizers have also created a **slack** group to let contestants easily post questions and interact with the organizers as well as with the other teams
- To join slack, click [here](#)



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