#### Internet-of-Things (IoT), the drive for LoRa



LoRa is Everywhere for Smart Metering

# We need a Large <u>Access Networks</u> to bring Smart Meters data from Everywhere to the Internet



# **Technological Prophecy**

In 1999, Kevin Ashton from MIT coined the term

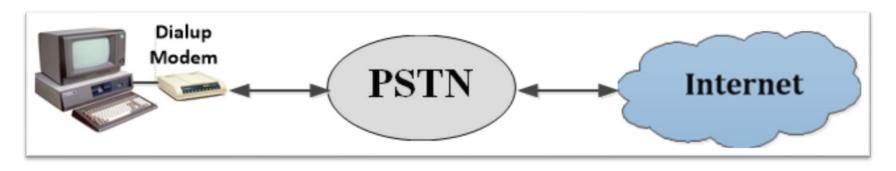


At the time, there was no Access Network technology available to support the connection of <u>millions of devices</u> and to bring their data to the Internet

### **History of Internet Connection**

In 1999 domestic connection to the Internet was pretty poor, less than 64 kbps using wireline infrastructure only, so how did someone think of connecting large quantity of devices and bring their data to the Internet?

#### Now we can tell that it was a foresight!



There is no doubt that the Internet-of-Things will fundamentally change the way we experience our World!

Calling Internet-of-Things the Next Industrial Revolution

#### **IoT (Internet-of-Things)**

Devices of Internet-of-Things are any smart communicating product that connected to the Internet, from:

- > Smart Metering
- Smart Cities
- Smart-Grid
- Smart Home and Building
- > Smart Environment
- Smart Agriculture
- Smart Industrial
- Retail and Logistics



# Questions that we need to clarify?

- Are the existing Wireless communication technologies meet IoT's following requirements?
  - Large-Scale Access Network (WAN) ?
  - Wireless technology with high penetration into buildings ?
  - Low data rate ?
  - Access Network to supports very large number of devices?
  - Low cost communication network ?

# Cellular and Wi-Fi Technologies

- Cellular is everywhere and developed especially for Mobile devices
- ➤ Wi-Fi is perfect for Short-Distance, (LAN)
- Cellular (3G/4G/5G) and Wi-Fi technologies are designed for:
  - High-speed communication for: Voice, Video streaming and Real-Time performance, far beyond what is required for Smart Meters
  - Cannot support connecting millions of Smart Meter
  - ❖ Devices are Power-Hungry, very high energy consumption causing fast discharge of the battery
- Cellular is Very-High-Costs for network use

# Exception



Municipal Network (Muni) can support Smart Meters deployment.

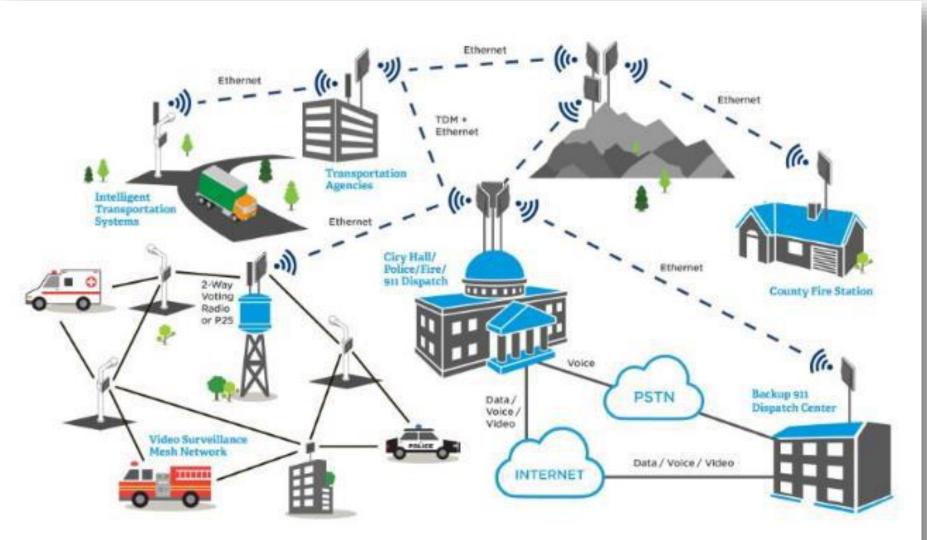
Provided that Wi-Fi transceiver works with special mode for low power consumption.

However still with high Cost

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### Municipal Network (Muni)

Wi-Fi Hot Spots all over the City



#### **Intermediate Conclusion**



There seemed to be no choice, but to invent new Transmission Category

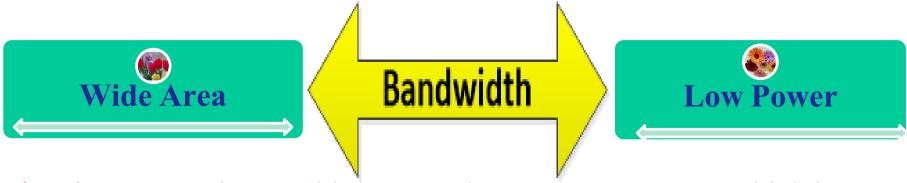


LoRa היא מערכת תקשורת אלחוטית מותאמת ל-IoTa - האינטרנט של הדברים ' היאזולה, זמינה ויעילה, ומסוגלת לקשר בין מיליארדי מכשירים ' אז תשכחו מהסלולאר ומ-WiFi - העתיד עוד מעט כאן אבי לוגסי



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#### We have a Dilemma?

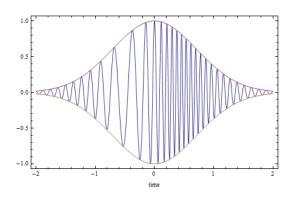


- If we transmit more bits we need to use more power, which is not the case here
- There are 3 main things
  - ✓ Long range
  - ✓ Low power consumption
  - ✓ Low Bandwidth

#### What is LoRa?

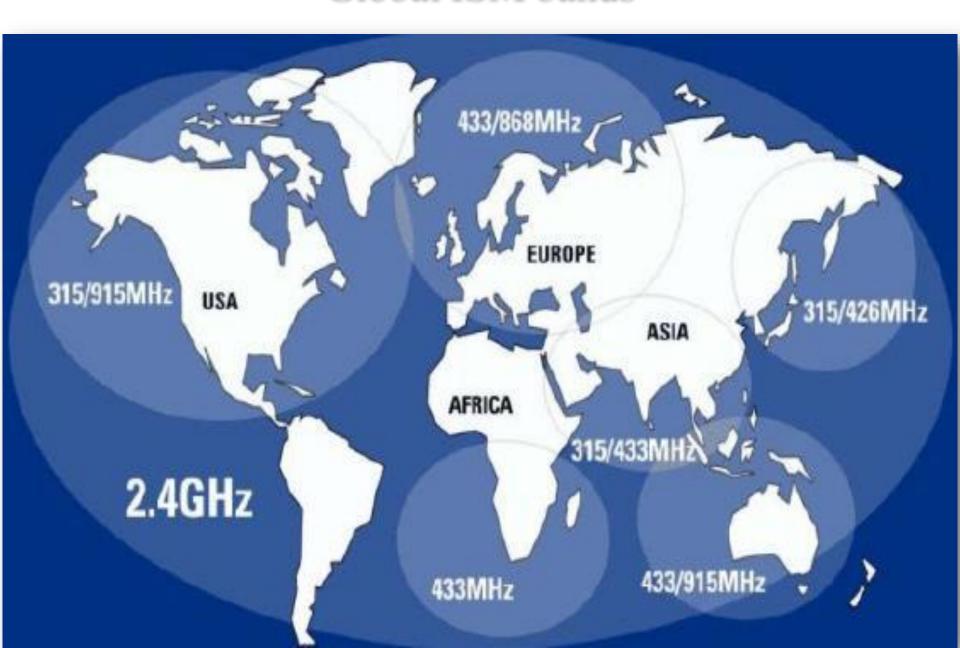
#### LoRa/LPWAN (Long Range Radio/Low Power Wide Area Network)

A physical layer using the Chirp-Spread-Spectrum (CSS) Special Modulation method



- ➤ Wireless platform that has become the de-facto technology for Internet-of-Things (IoT) and AMI networks worldwide
- ➤ Does not sensitive to interference from: Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, ZigBee, GSM and Cellular
- > Operating at (ISM) license-free frequencies worldwide

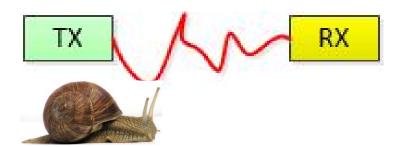
### Global ISM bands



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### LoRa/LPWAN - Key features

Long range



**Low Data Rate** 



Low power





**Data Security** 

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### LoRa/LPWAN - Key features

Multi -Application



Open Standard



Localization



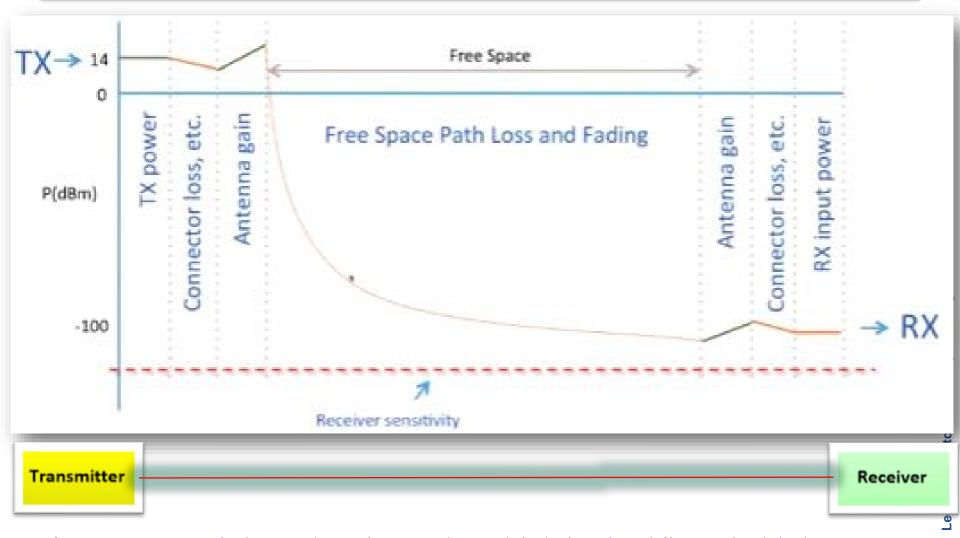
**Mobile** 



> Very Low Cost

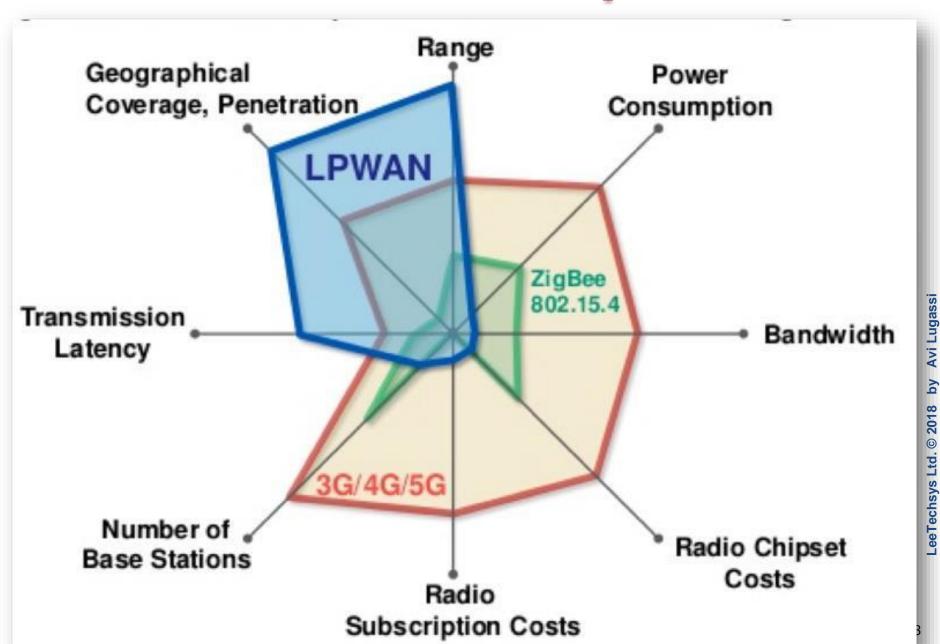


### Radio Propagation - LoRa's Link Budget



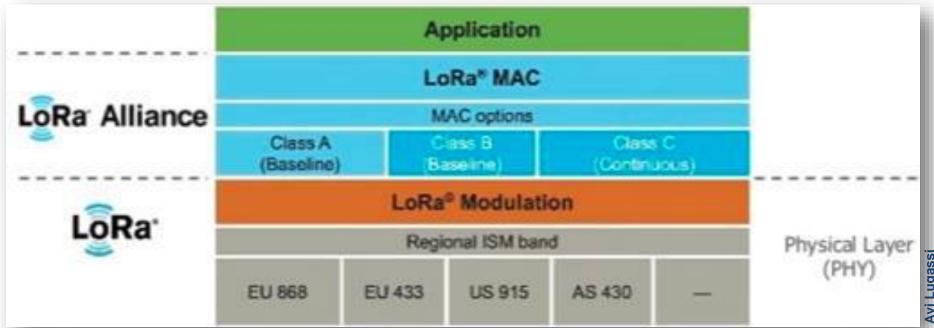
LoRa's Link Budget is 154dB which is significantly higher (100 times) than LTE(4G) with 130dB

# Wireless Features Comparison





#### LoRaWAN is a Software Protocol



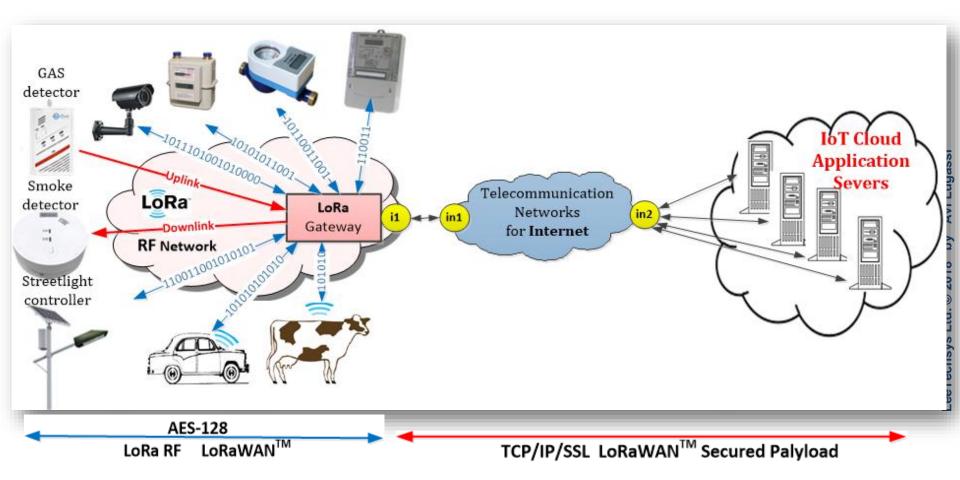
- Embedded data security, End-to-End encryption for the Network and Application layer
- Two-way communication protocol physical enables devices not only to transmit data but also to receive it
- > Smart Meters are a target for malicious software and code, it is used as a point of entry for broader attacks

#### LoRaWAN<sup>TM</sup> End-to-End Network Architecture

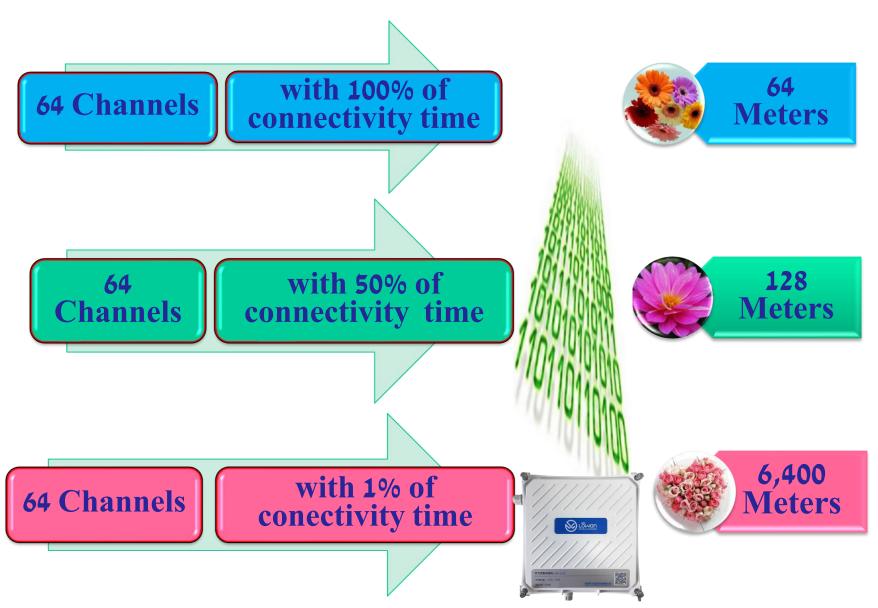


#### **Asymmetric cryptography with Key-Pairs**



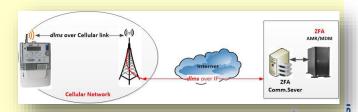


#### LoRa's Gateway Channels and Capacity

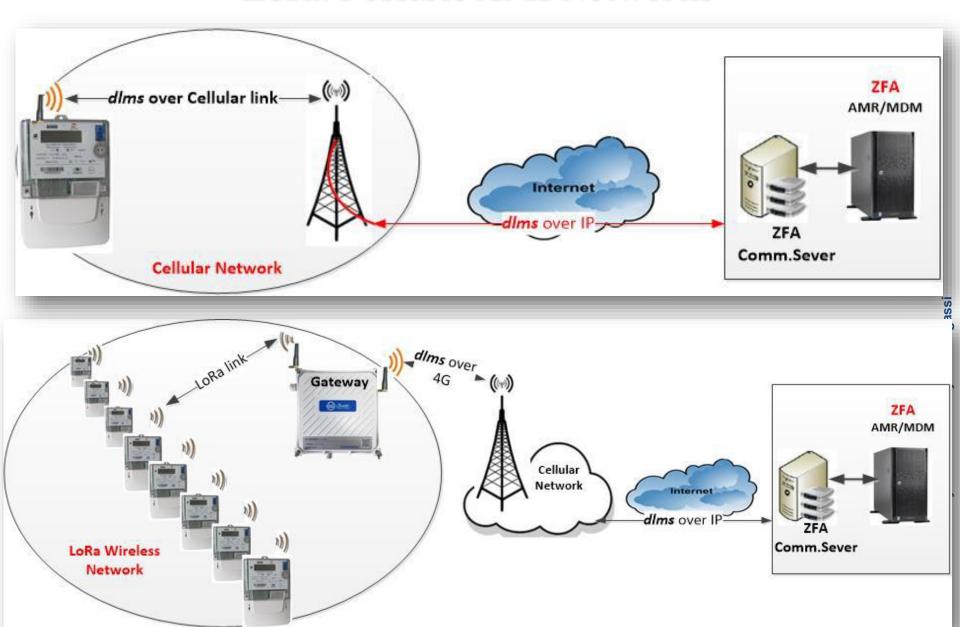




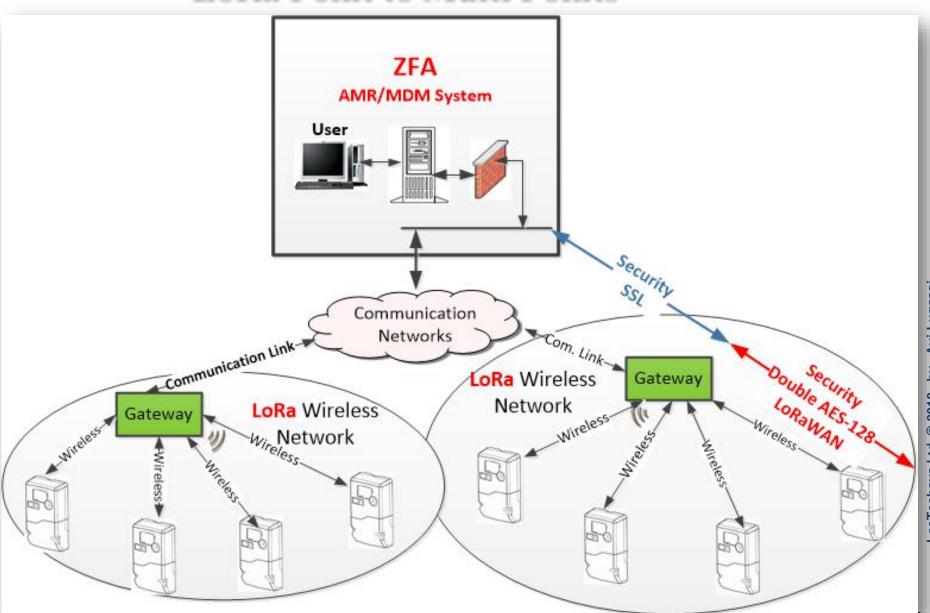
# Possible AMI Deployments



#### **LoRa Possible AMI Networks**

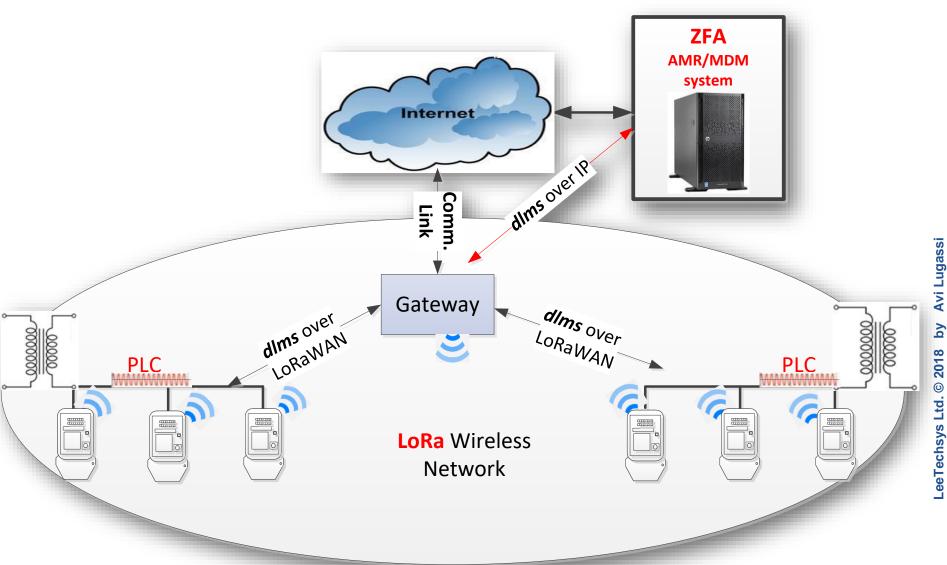


#### **LoRa Point to Multi Points**



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#### LoRa combined with PLC-G3



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#### Dr. Neuhaus/Reallin LoRa Communicating meter







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#### Summary

The main difference between LoRa and the traditional Wireless technologies is that:

LoRa has less of everything:

- > Less transmission power
- Less bandwidth
- Less power consumption (devices)
- Less Expensive

# Thank you for your attention

