



Innovative sensing and control devices

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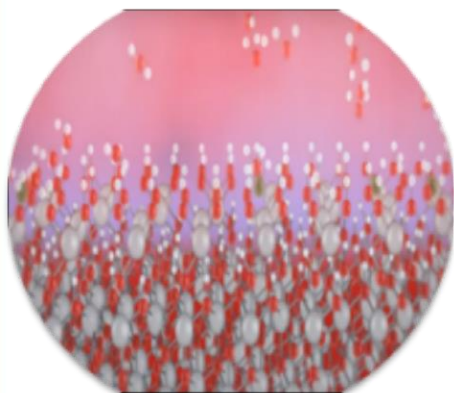
Overview

- Tyndall - Who we are and What we do
- Moeebius Project Research Objective
- Moeebius NOD Technology Building Blocks & Implementation
- Deployment of Moeebius Nod systems
- Energy Harvesting systems for Next generation “autonomous” sensing and control devices
- Conclusions & Future Works
- References

From atoms to systems

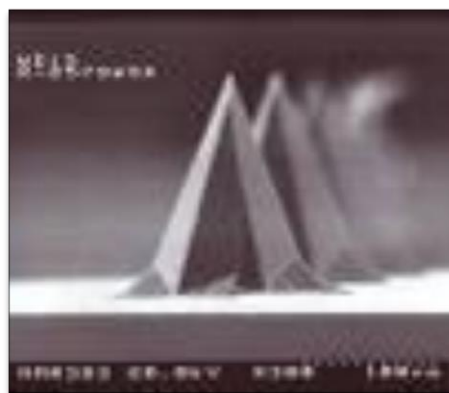


Atoms



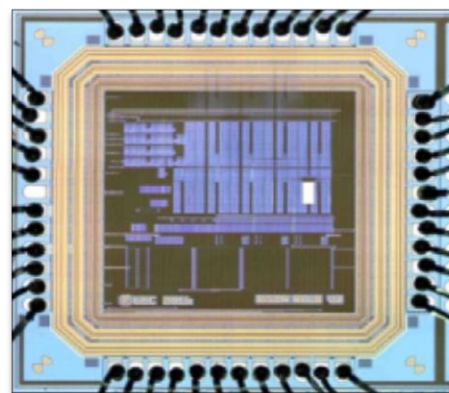
- Materials Research & ALD
- Atomistic Modelling & Simulation
- Synthesis & Processing

Devices



- Semiconductor wafer fabrication
- Nano materials and device processing

Circuits



- High performance RF & mixed-signal circuits
 - Data converters
 - Ultra wideband radar
 - RF circuit design
- Photonic light sources & detectors
- Power supply on Chip

Systems



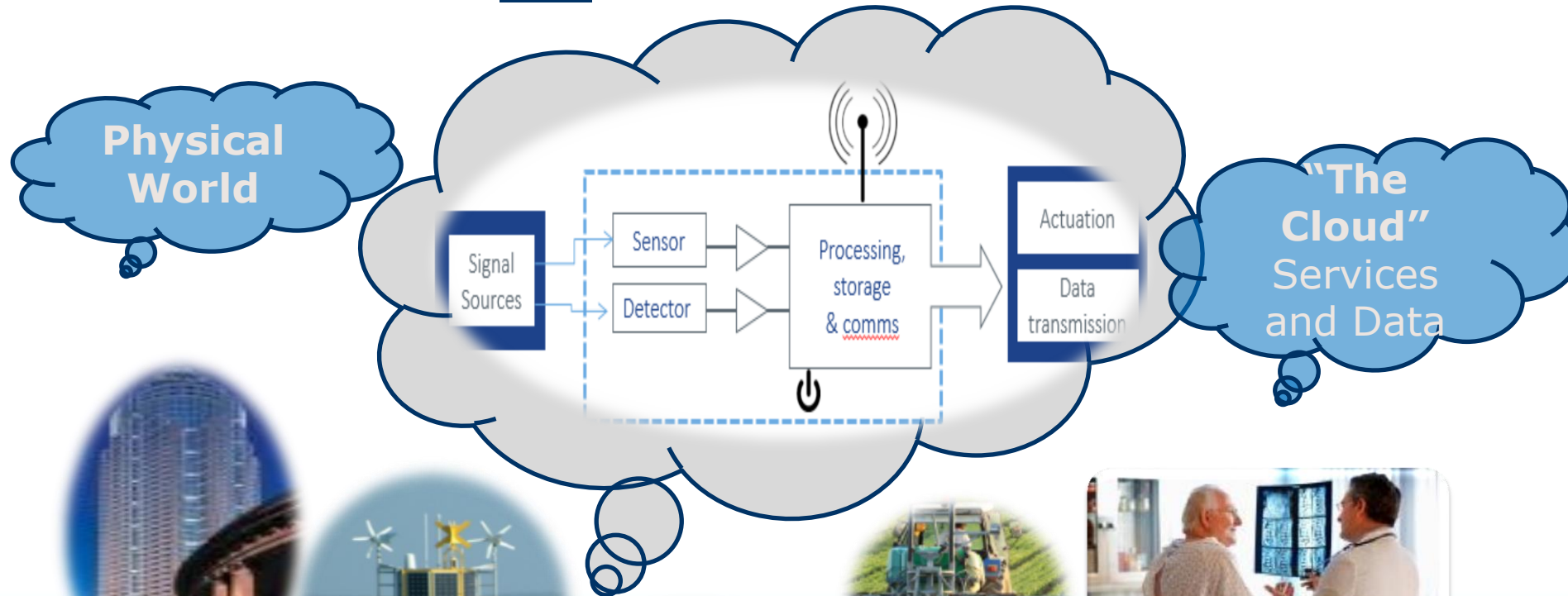
- Smart sensors and systems
- Optical communication systems
- Microelectronic and photonic integration
- Application-specific Packaging

Conceive – produce – characterise – deploy

Cyber Physical Systems for the Internet of Things

Creating Information from Data

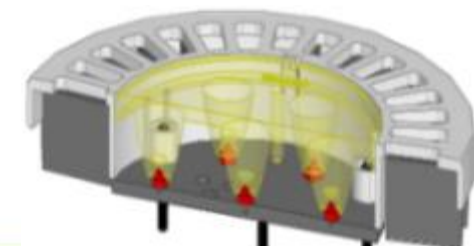
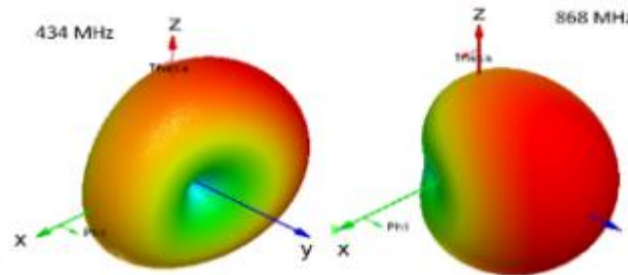
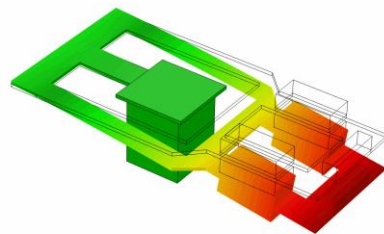
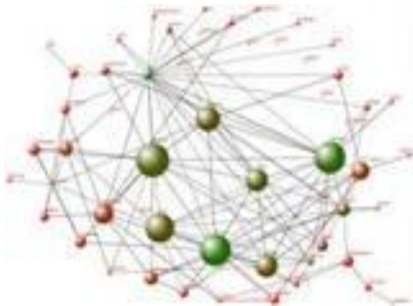
Interfaces to
users, to the
physical world
and the cloud



Smart Systems Research

To enable “smart everything everywhere”

- Focused on delivering an industry-relevant “applied” research agenda
- Balanced with a more fundamental scientific research supply chain
- Multidisciplinary teams needed
- **Development of actuator and control systems need:**
 - Energy Aware Software and Systems
 - Smart RF Circuits and Systems
 - Hardware/Software Co-design of smart sensing systems
 - Deployment of industry Focussed Demonstrators



Motivation for Building and structural monitoring



These WSNs require efficient low cost, low power consumption Sensor Nodes, with monitoring and actuation and control capability

Interoperability between sensor networks is required

Structural Integrity

Energy Management

Assisted Living & Entertainment

**Energy Consumption
Low Power Systems**

Interoperability

Occupation

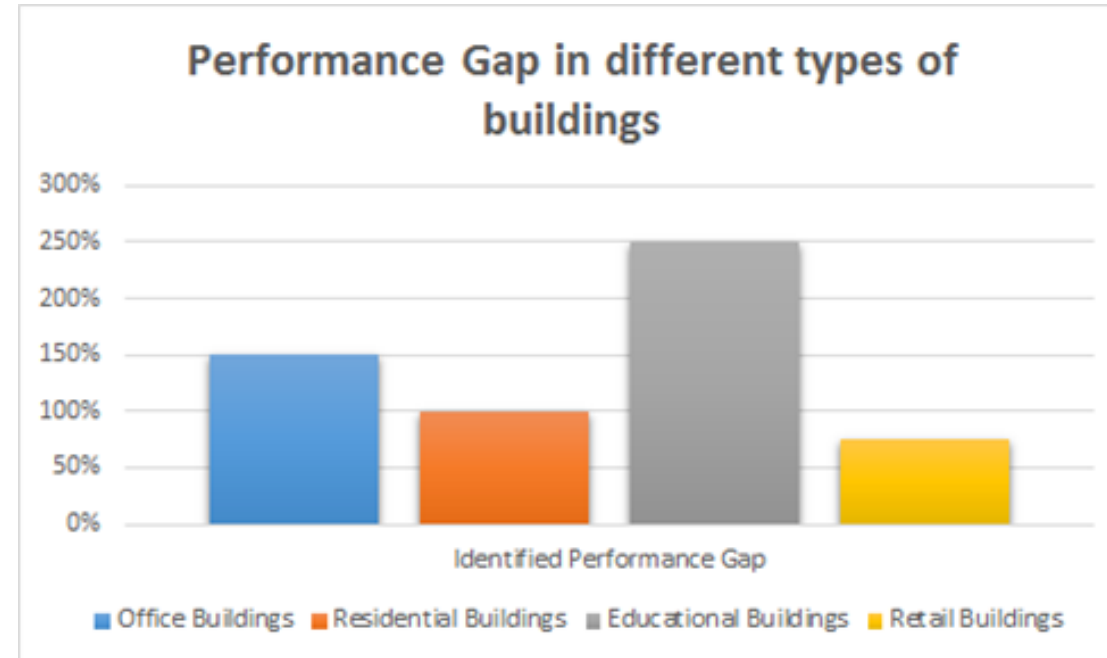
Light (Lux)

Temp/Humidity

Security

MOEEBIUS Research Objectives: The Problem

- Huge **gaps** between **predicted and actual** energy consumption
- Inability of current modelling techniques to represent **realistic use and operation** of buildings
- Impact of **occupants' behavior** on the energy performance of buildings needs to be quantified
- Holistic energy **performance optimization** framework is required
- WSNs enable **continuous optimization** of building energy performance as a means to mitigate the **identified "performance gap"** in real-time through retrofitting.



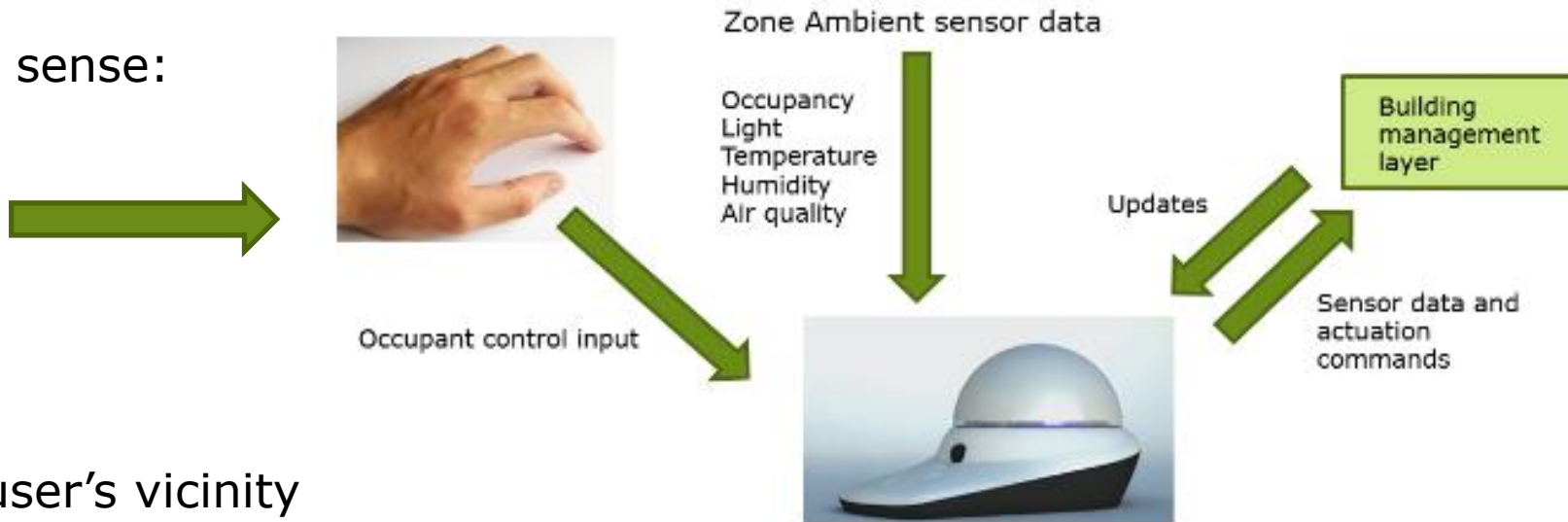
NOD Description and scenario requirements

And communicate these parameters wirelessly to a gateway

NOD Use case scenario

1. Desktop device which will sense:

- human presence
- ambient temperature
- humidity
- air quality
- light conditions in the user's vicinity

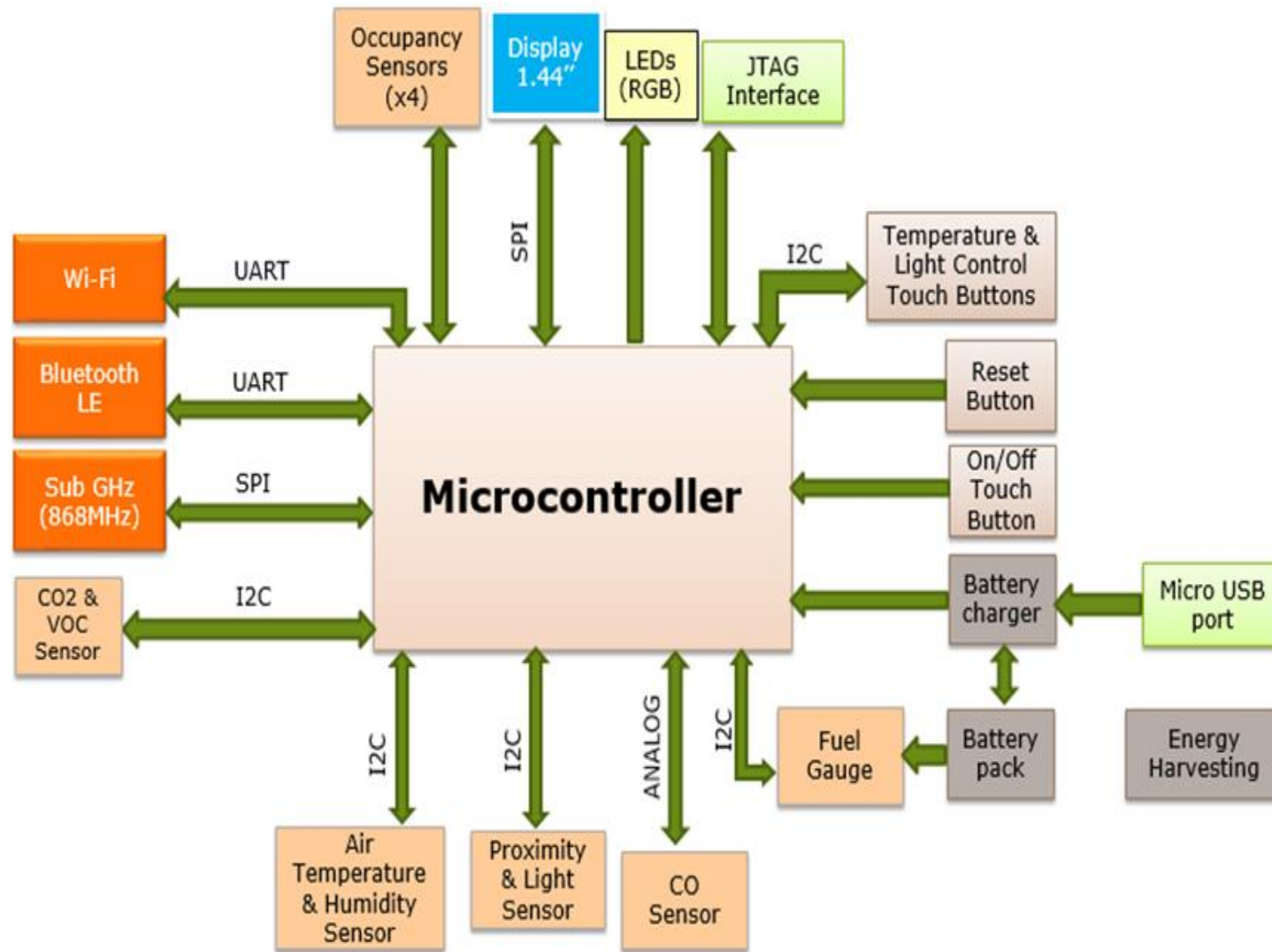


2. User interface to send commands to the Building management layer through a gateway to control the ambient environment in order to maximize user comfort.
3. The latency (delay) should feel real time to the user.
4. Battery operated. A rechargeable battery will be used with a battery life of a minimum 1 week. Energy harvesting will be incorporated into the device if appropriate.

NOD System Deployment/User Requirements

User Requirement	Nod Requirements & Specification
Communication protocol	Wi-Fi, sub-1GHz, UWB, (BLE)
Light Sensor	0-10000 lux; +/- 20 lux
Air Temperature Sensor	-10°C - +85°C; +/- 0,5°C
Air Humidity Sensor	+/- 5%
Proximity Sensor	0-20 cm; +/- 5cm
CO2 Sensor + VOC sensor	450 – 2000ppm; +/-50ppm
CO sensor	Avoid; Use VOC sensor
Occupancy Sensors	PIR Sensor
Microcontroller	Mid / High range
Display	TFT EPD display
Buttons	Touch buttons
LEDs	✓
USB port	Micro USB
Battery charger chip	✓
JTAG interface	✓
Battery	Li-Ion or LiPo + connector
Antenna	PCB

NOD System Block Diagram



MCU – STM32F302ZET6 from ST

Wi-Fi – ATWINC1510-MR210PB from Atmel

Sub Ghz(868MHz) – SPIRIT1 from Atmel

Bluetooth - CYW20737S from Cypress

Temperature and Humidity sensor – Si7020-A20 from Silicon Labs

Proximity and Light sensor – VCNL4020 from Vishay

CO2 and VOC sensor – CCS811 from Ams

Occupancy sensors - EKMC1601111 / EKMB1301111K from Panasonic

Display – E144CS021 from Pervasive Displays

NOD Board Implementation – 10cm x 10 cm

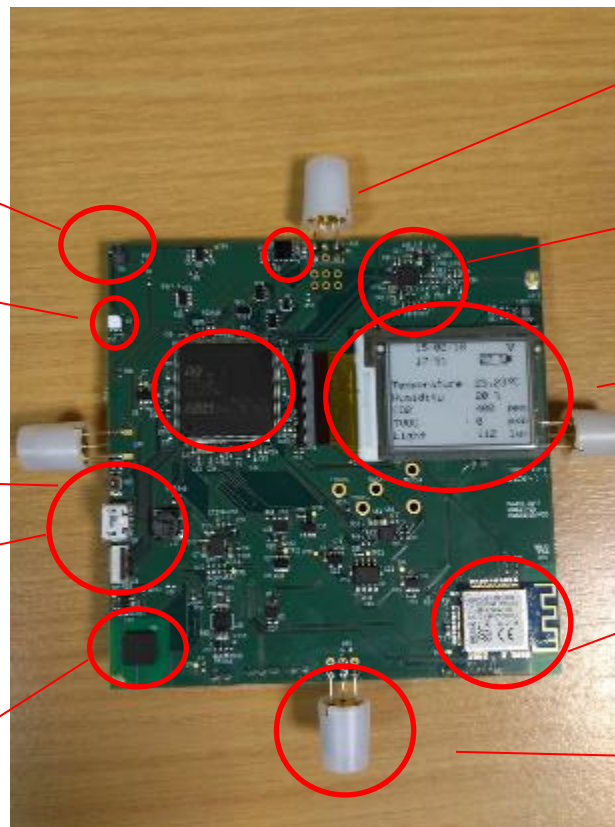
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MOEEBIUS NOD deployment

The NODs are currently deployed in several sites across Europe:



United Kingdom

School Pilot (4 units)
City Hall (7 units)
Kindergarten (2 units)

Portugal

Moor House (5 units)
Ernest Dance (10 units)

Serbia

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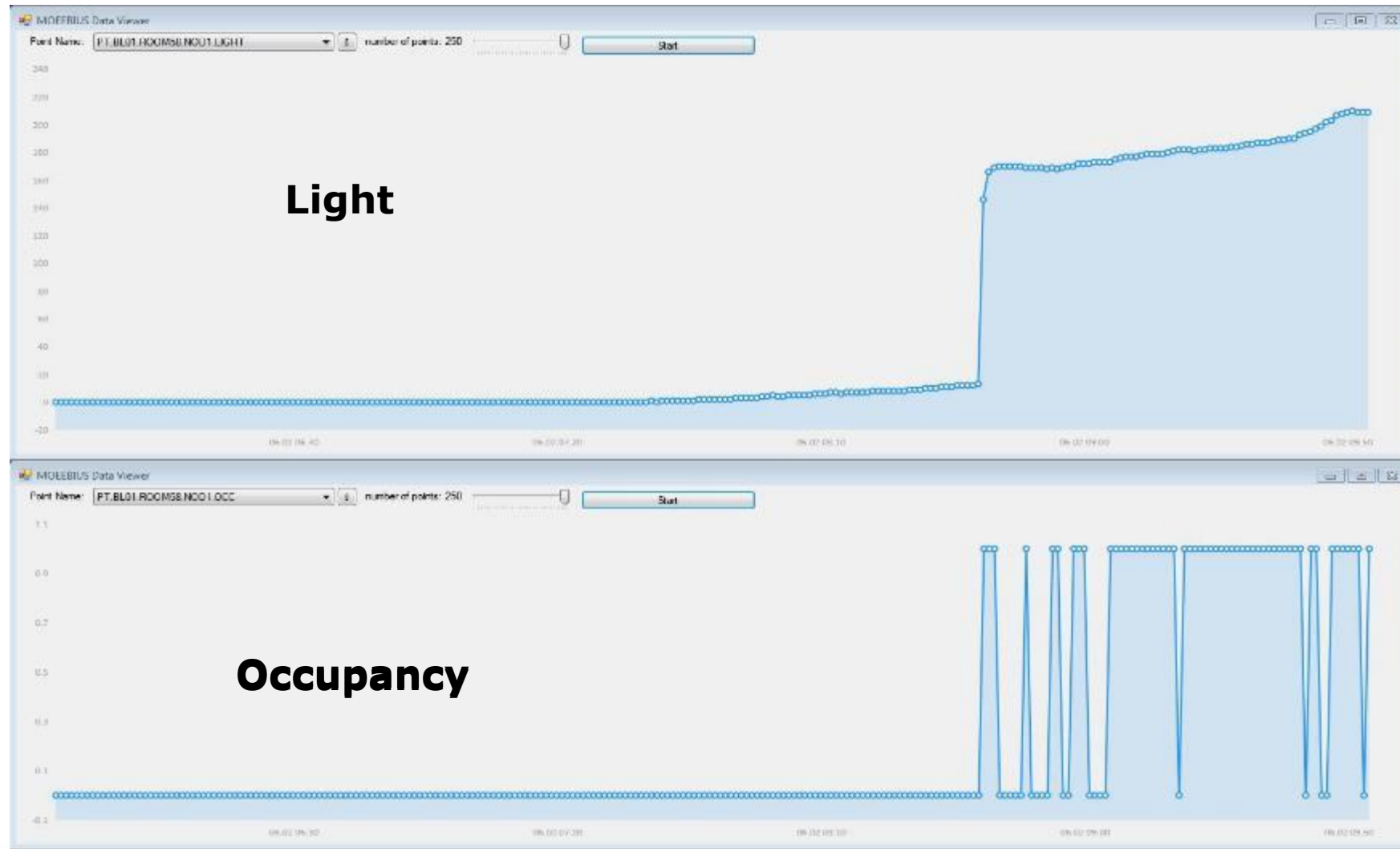
<i>Location</i>	<i>No of Buildings</i>	<i>Types of Buildings</i>	<i>Total Surface of Buildings</i>	<i>Total Annual Consumption</i>	<i>No of Occupants</i>	<i>Shared Infrastructure</i>
UK - London	4	Residential, Hotels, Retail	22.500 m ²	3.100 MWh (EL) 80 MWh (NG)	1.200	RES (PV), Back-up Generators
Portugal – Mafra	5	Educational, Sports, Office	8.100 m ²	535 MWh (EL) 760 MWh (NG)	800	HVAC (Natural Gas Boilers)
Serbia - Belgrade	48	Educational, Office, Residential, Retail	434.000m ²	12.400 MWh (EL)	11.700	District Heating



Real-life conditions, in different buildings (office buildings, residential buildings, hotels, schools, sports complexes), districts characterized by increased **heterogeneity** (incorporating a variety of energy management systems) and interaction features between buildings (district heating systems, storage facilities and renewable energy sources) and under **different environmental, social and cultural contexts** in three dispersed geographical areas (UK, Serbia, Portugal).

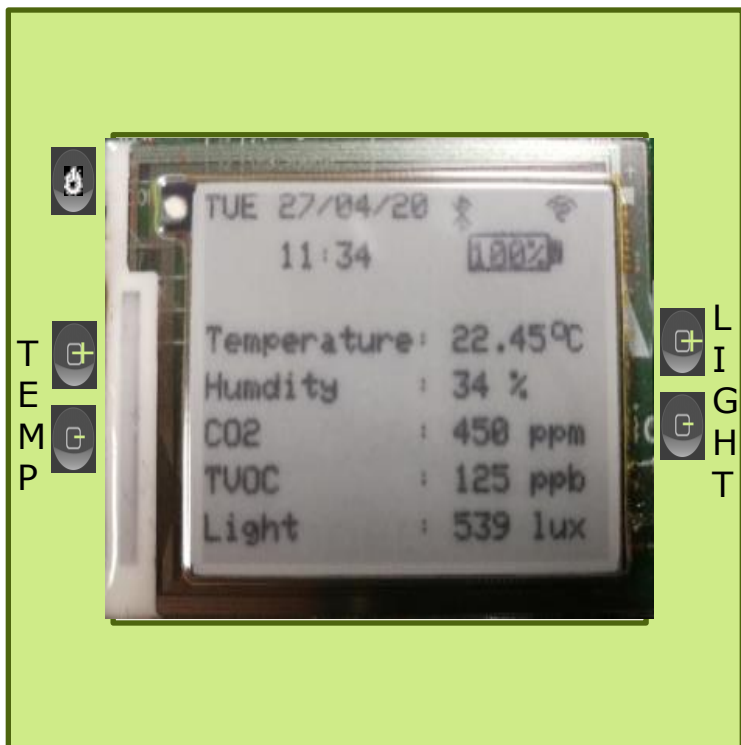


Moeebius Deployment Results Occupancy Impact

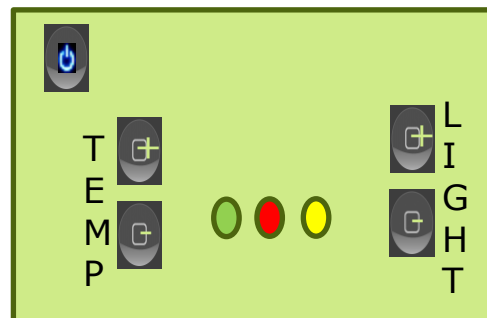


MOEEBIUS Interface for sensing actuation and control

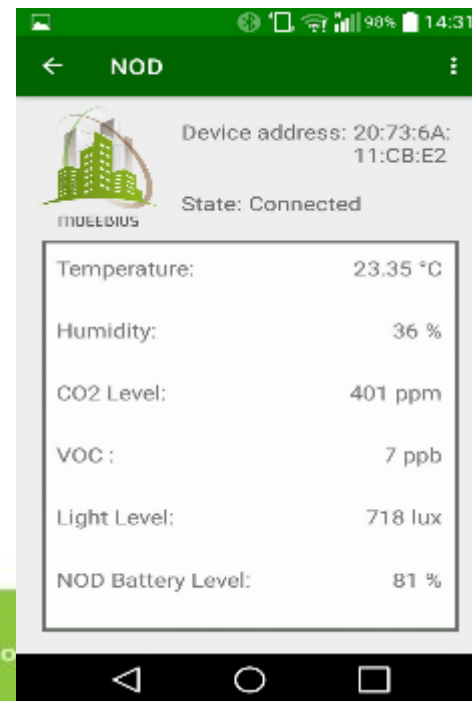
1) EPD DISPLAY(B/W) + TOUCH BUTTON



2) LED + TOUCH BUTTON + APP



BLE



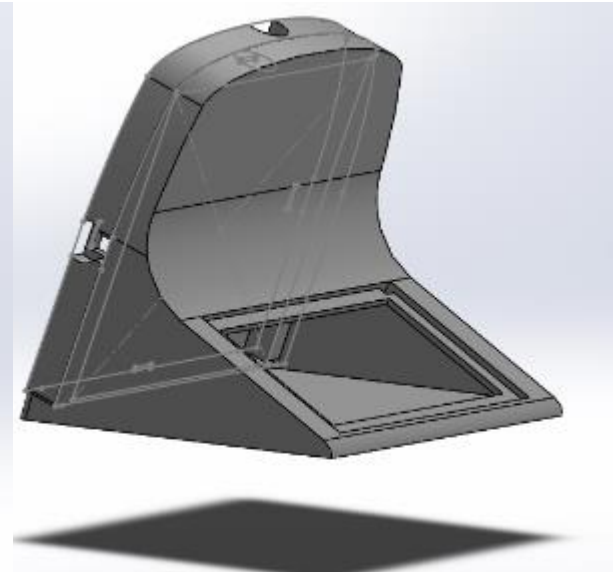
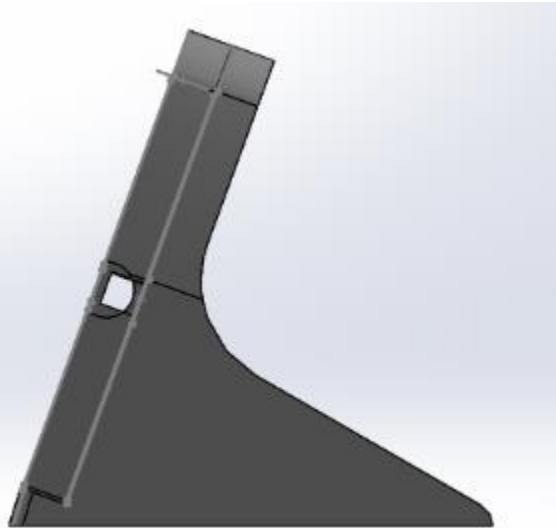
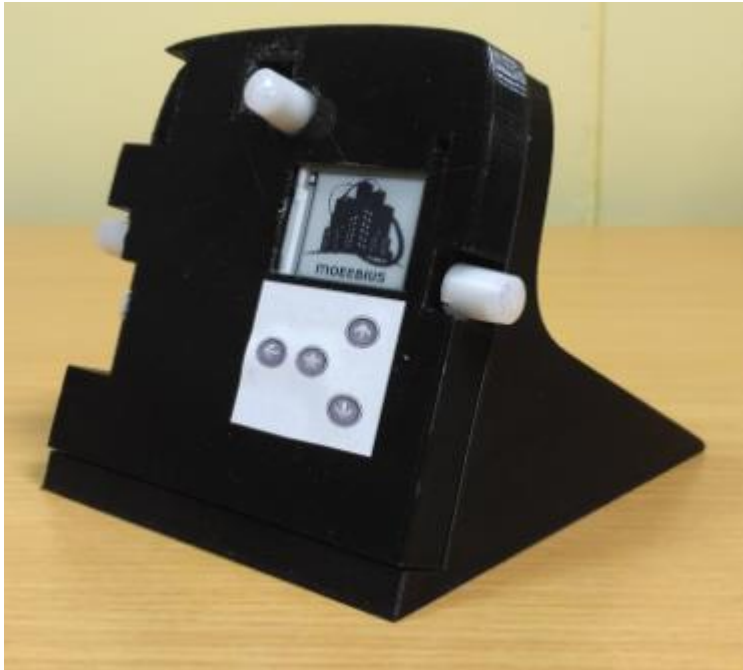
NOD Rev.2 – MOEBIUS Exploitation

3D printed Enclosure

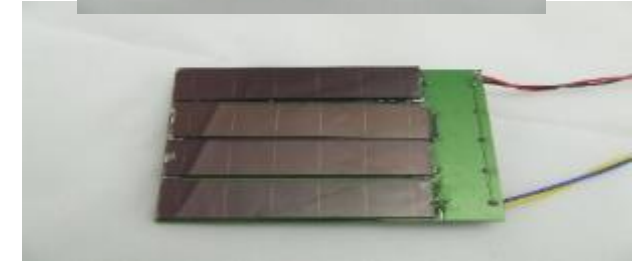
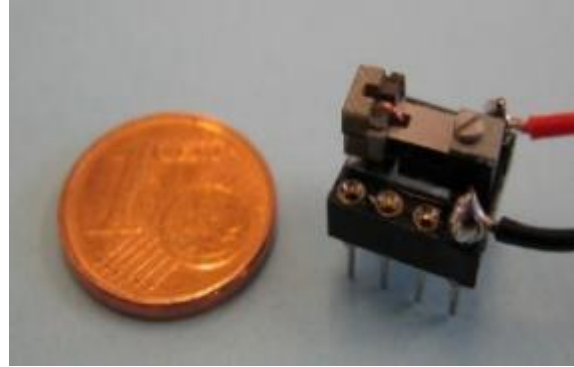
– User experience , Robustness and Commercialisation:

User friendly, good looking and improved version of the enclosure taking into account the inputs from the partners

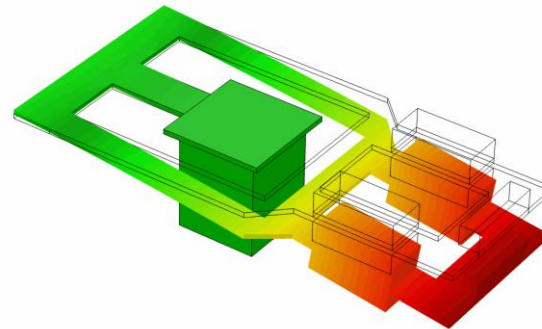
(Enterprise Ireland Funded commercialisation feasibility study)



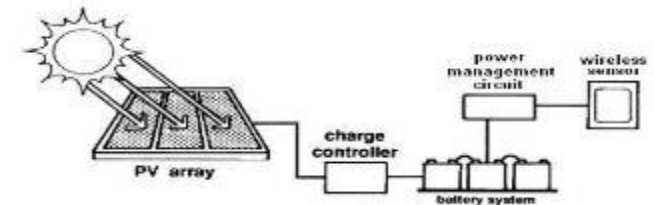
Energy Harvesting Solutions for in Building Autonomous Sensing, Actuation & Control Systems



Thermoelectricity Generator (TEG)



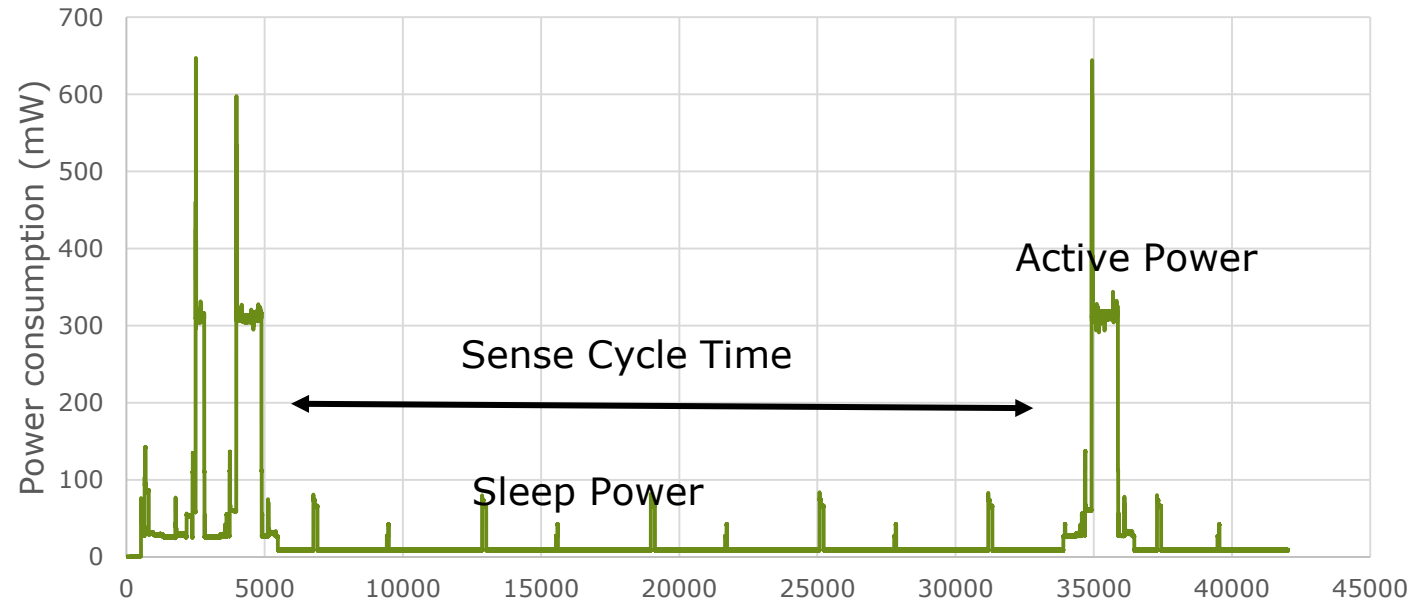
Vibrational Generator



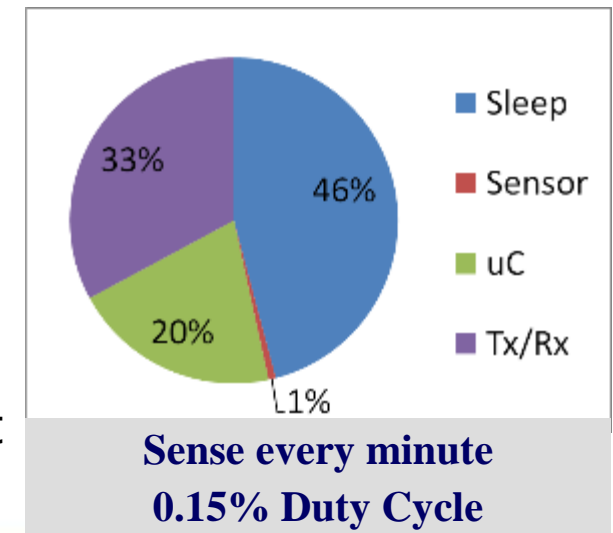
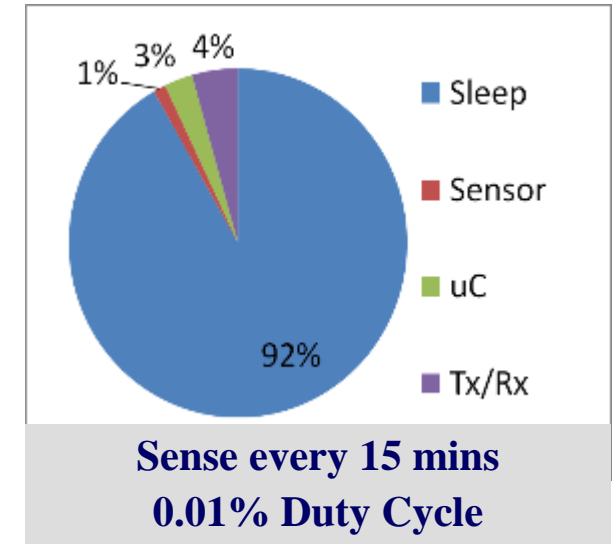
Indoor High-Efficiency Solar Panel

Optimising Power Consumption of Autonomous Sensor

Power Consumption Profile – Wake-Up & Cycle

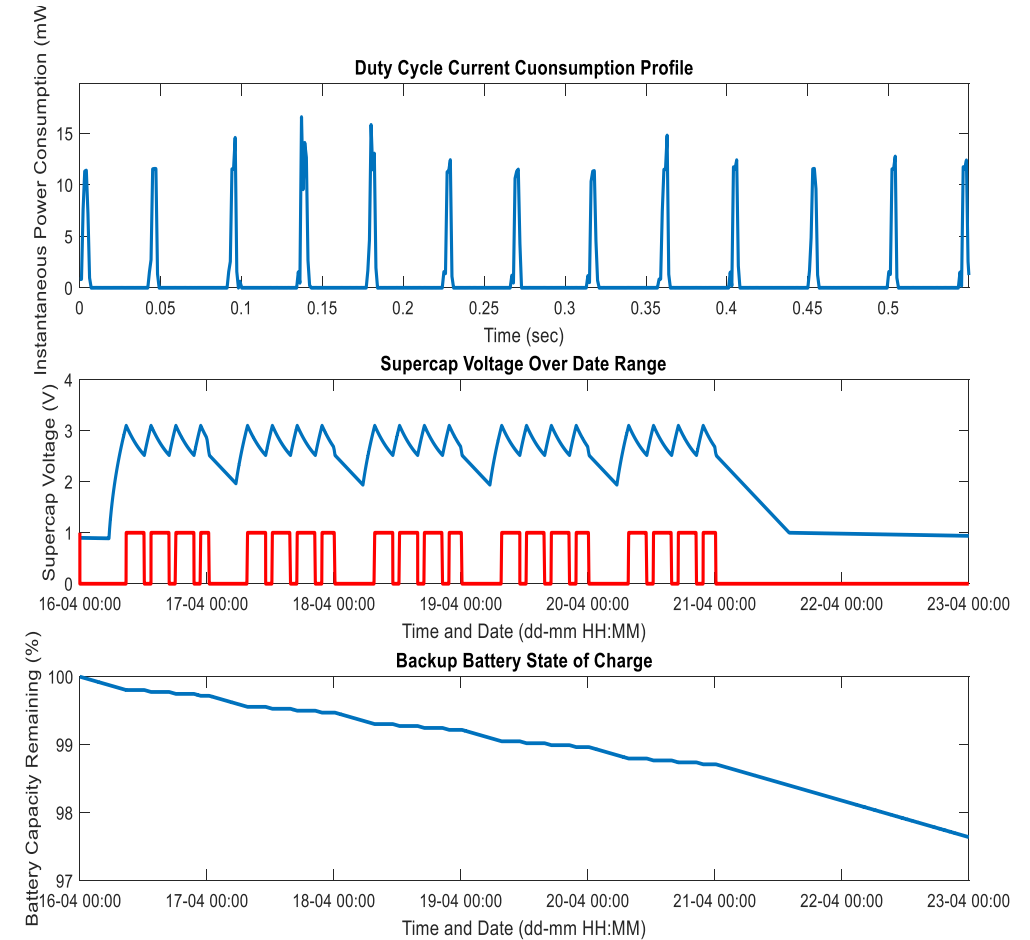
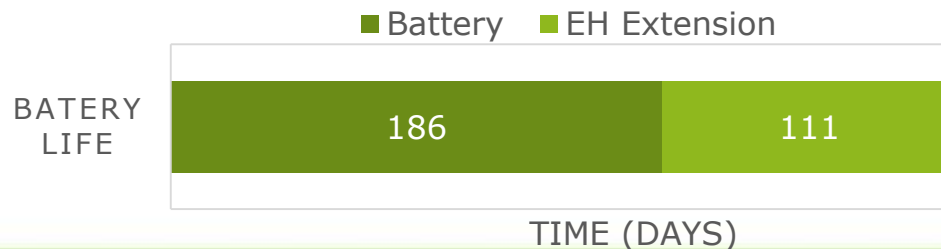


- To improve performance we can increase the cycle time to reduce impact of the Active sensor and Communications power
- Using Bluetooth/868MHz opposed to Wi-Fi communications can reduce average communication power significantly
- Implementing smart sleep modes for sensors reduces quiescent current supply reducing sleep power



Power Modeling to Optimise & Predict Performance

- By capturing the duty cycle current for the end device, characteristics of the harvester and intended environment we can predict the effectiveness of the intended Energy Harvesting device
- For an example a 1 mW average load being supplied by a battery and PV has been simulated over a week
- 750 μ W to over 1 mW may be generated by the harvester during lighting hours but a backup battery is still needed
- If the average device power consumption were reduced to 420 μ W the device would be self-sufficient (battery-less) in these conditions



*Based on 12 hour lighting availability in office conditions, 1500mAh battery, 600 Lux using energy availability model

Conclusions

- MOEEBIUS is looking to **reduce the gap** between building performance and models
- The Tyndall team have developed a multi modal sensing system to provide the necessary data sets to optimise building performance models
- **The MOEEBIUS NOD is currently deployed and gathering data across Europe as part of the EU funded project**
- Research activities include optimisation of energy consumption of the NOD to increase battery lifetime through incorporating **energy harvesting technology** and **predictive operational models** and autonomous behaviour

Main MOEEBIUS Impact	Targeted Value
<u>Performance Gap Reduction</u>	<u><10%</u>
Additional MOEEBIUS Quantified Impacts	Annual Values
Peak demand reduction	50%
Energy demand reduction	35%
GHG emissions reduction	180.000 Tn CO ₂
Long-term MOEEBIUS Impacts	
Potential investment through EPC Europe-wide	€2.32 billion/ annum
Potential savings through EPC	€0,232 billion/ annum
New jobs created through EPC deployment	44.080 new jobs/ annum
Energy savings	2,6 TWh/ annum
New companies operating in Europe (total)	2.100 until 2020

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