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infrastructure
of



from YOUPI - Edge/Fog Computing platform towards SLICES-FR - Computing Continuum

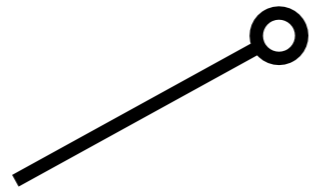
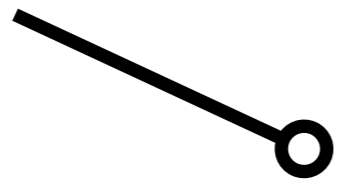
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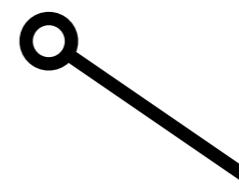
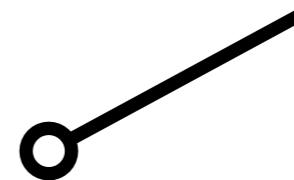
Communications issues for IoT

Deploying dense networks



Urban
Wireless
Networks

Exploiting the data
carried by the network



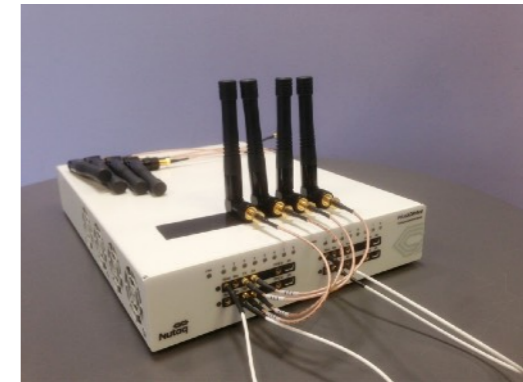
Software
and Cognitive Radio

Machine-to-Machine (M2M)
communication protocols



Flexible Radio Front-End

FIT/CorteXLab - <http://www.cortexlab.fr>



22 USRP + 16 PicoSDR nodes
http://www.cortexlab.fr/?page_id=387

FIT/IoTLab - <https://www.iot-lab.info/>

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INVENTEURS DU MONDE NUMÉRIQUE



Cooperation / Mobility issues for Robots

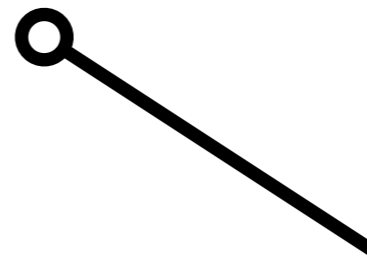
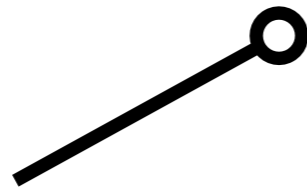
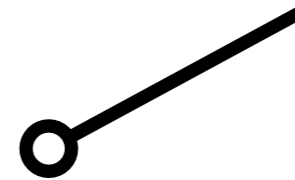
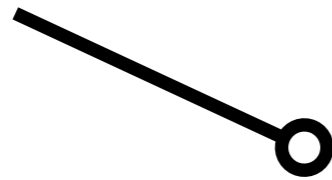
Perception
and Situation Awareness

Bayesian
Perception

Cooperative and
Human-aware Robot Navigation

Motion-planning
in human-populated
environment

Multi-robot decision making
in complex environments

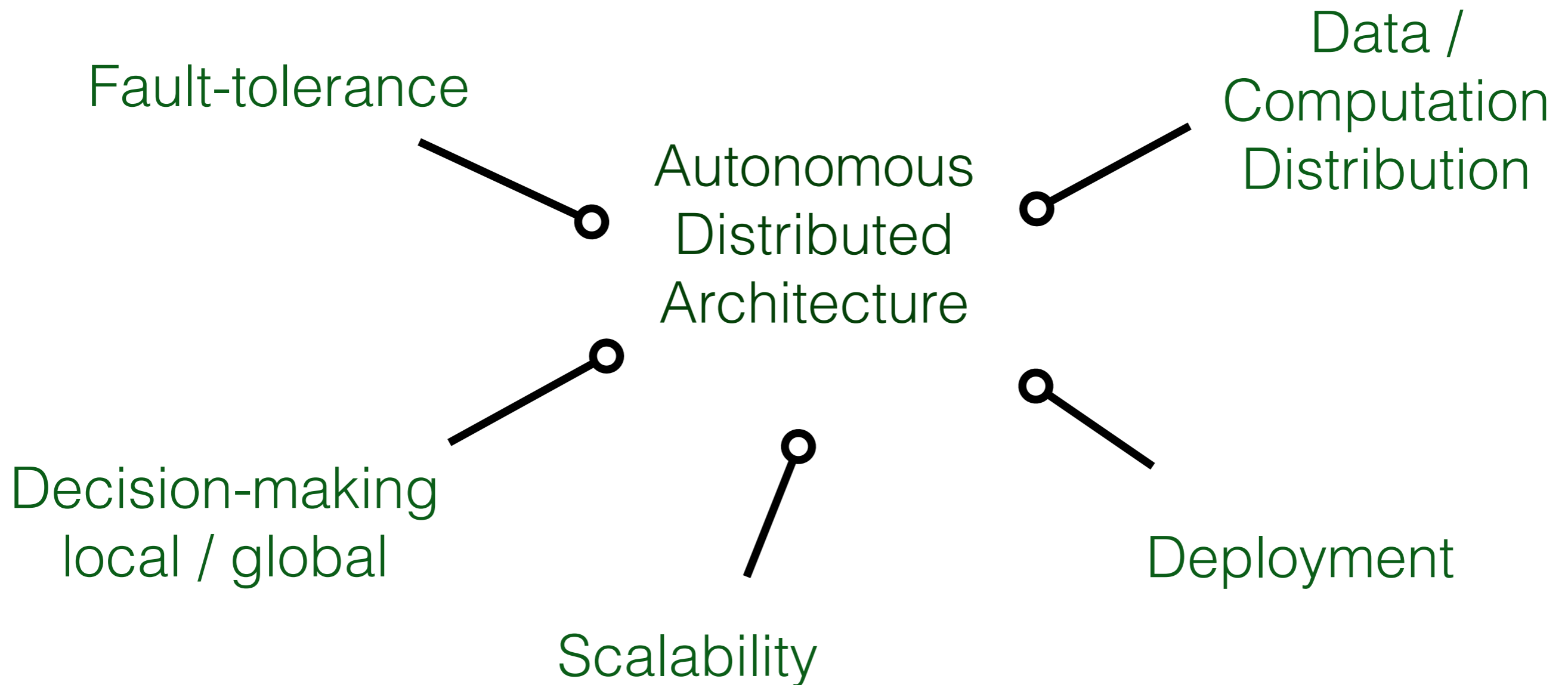




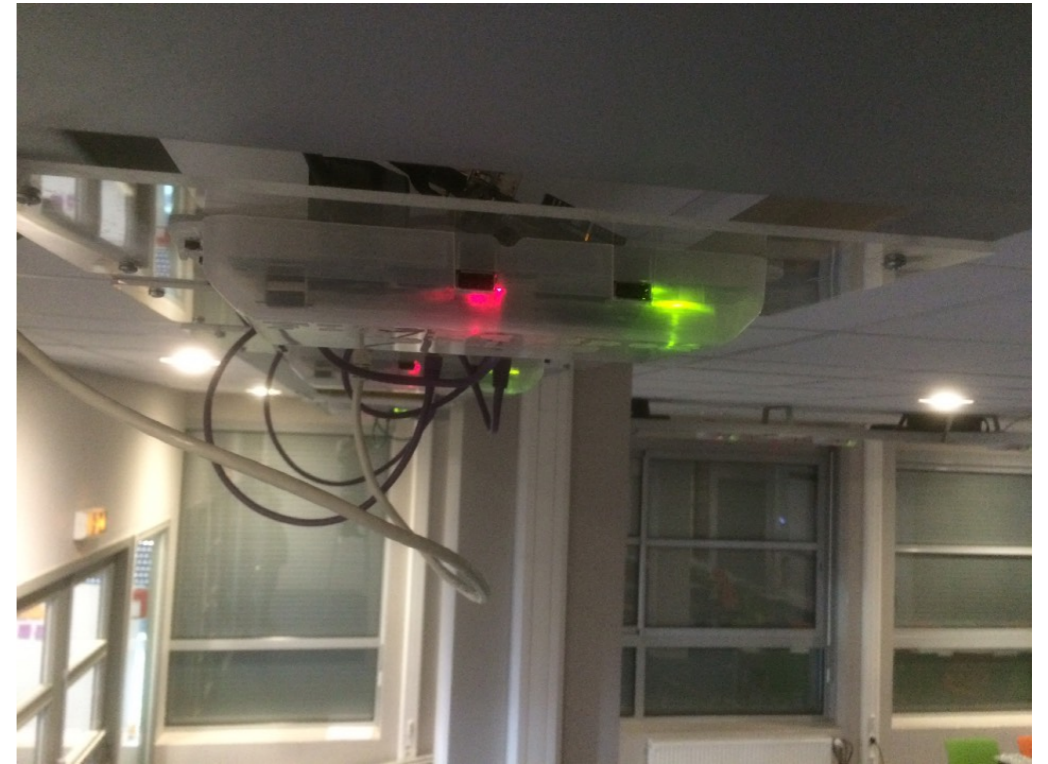
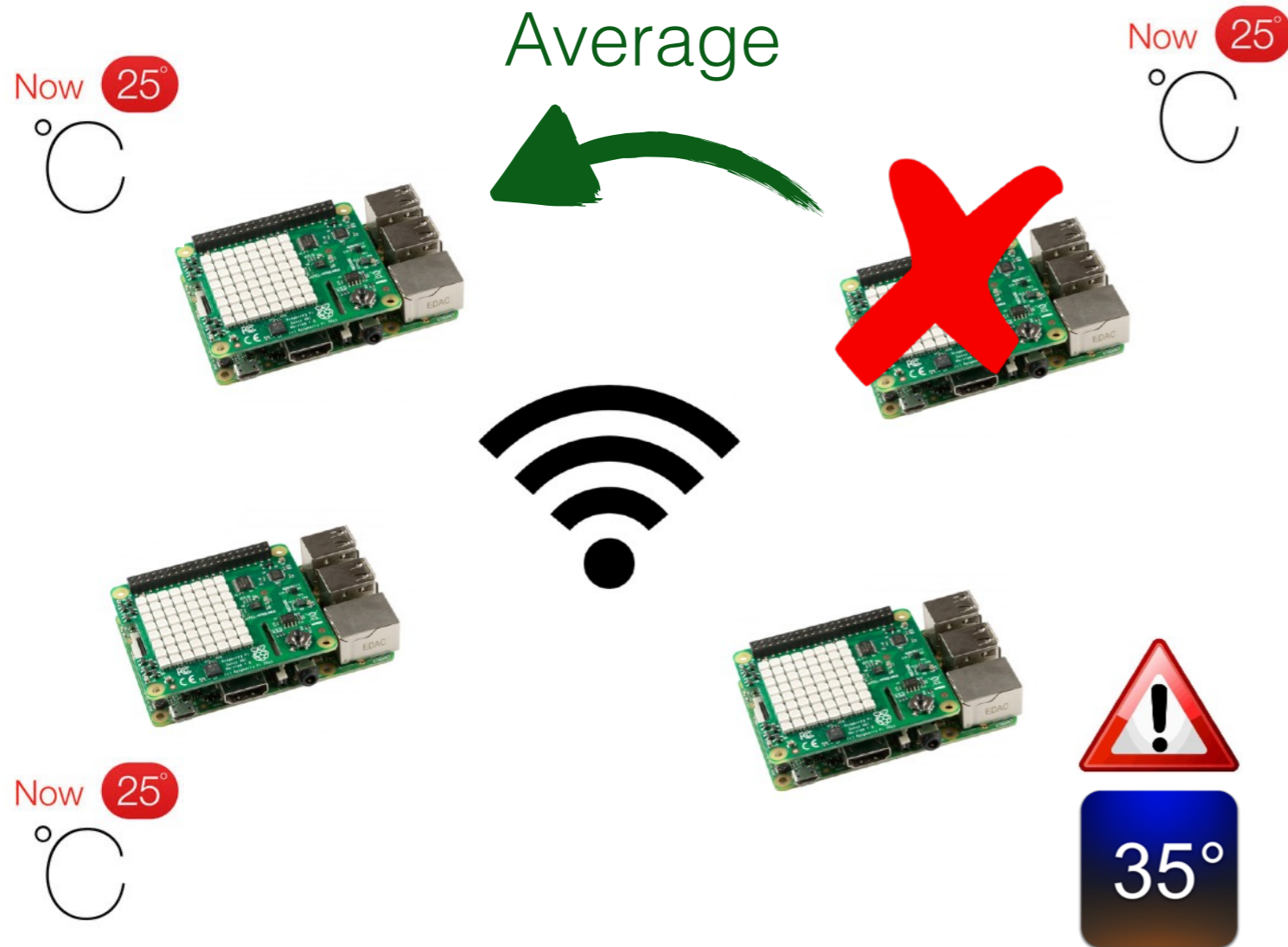
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Drone Parrot Bibop



Software / middleware issues for IoT



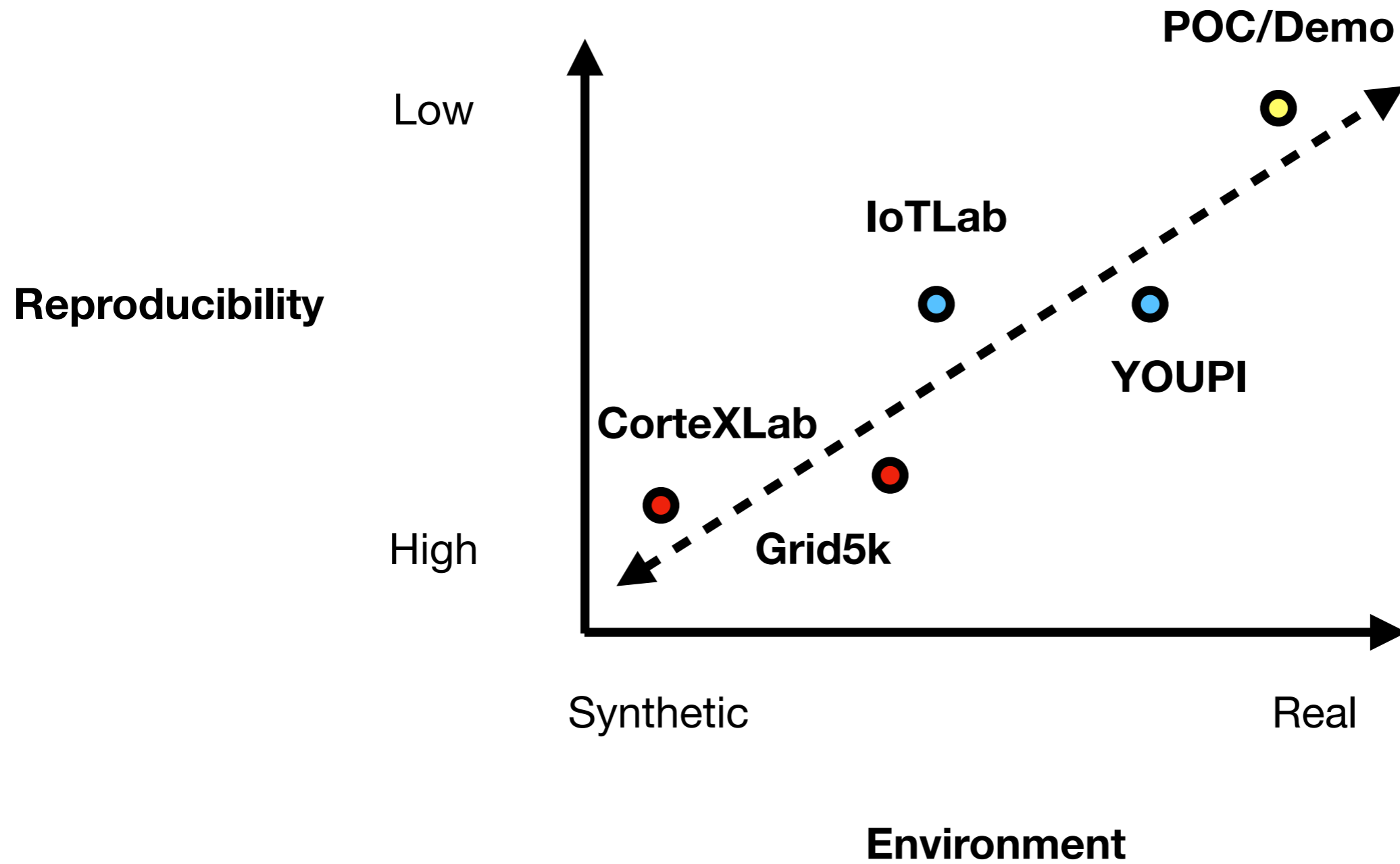
YOUPI - Edge/Fog Computing



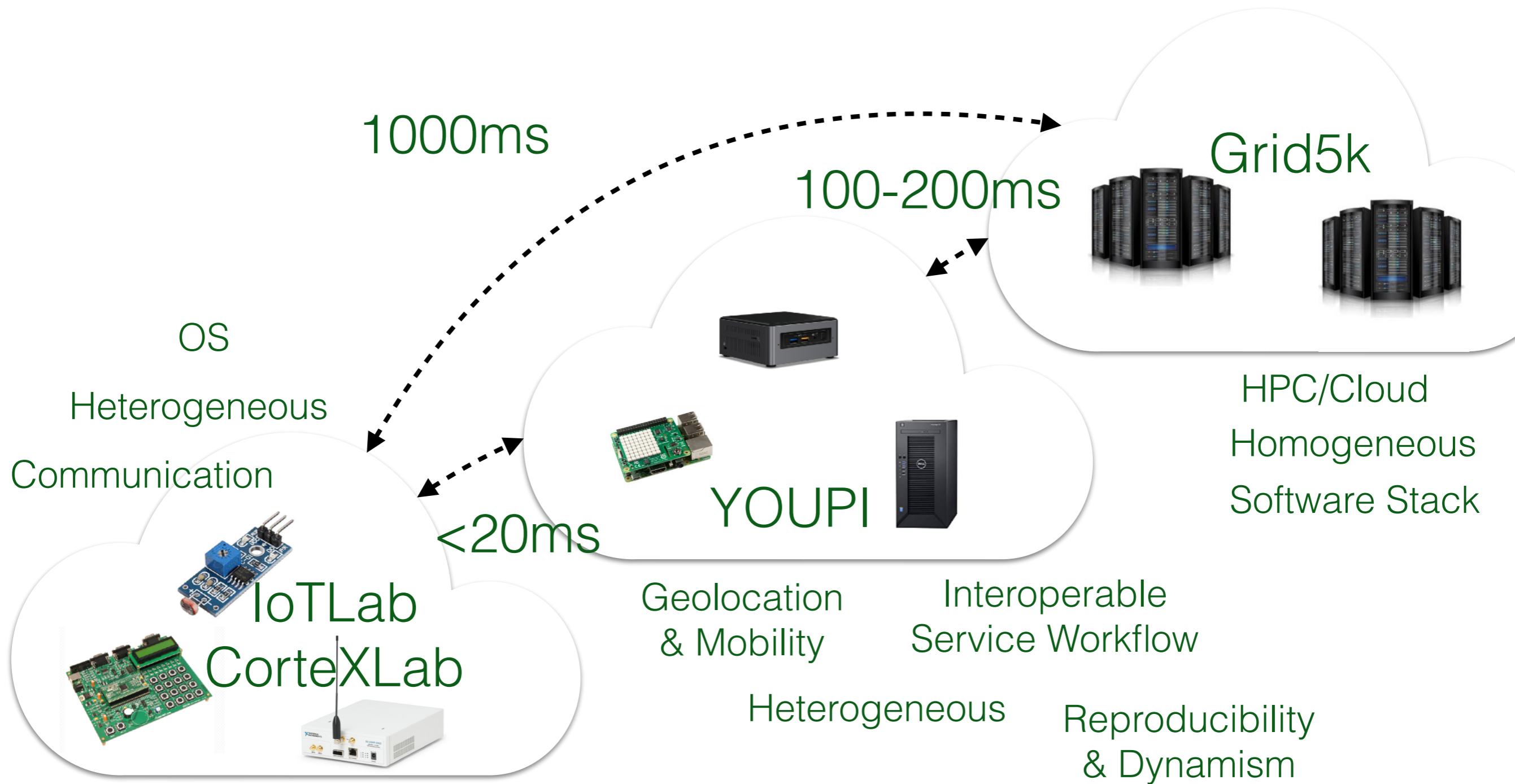
25+ RPI
3 NUC
4 Nvidia



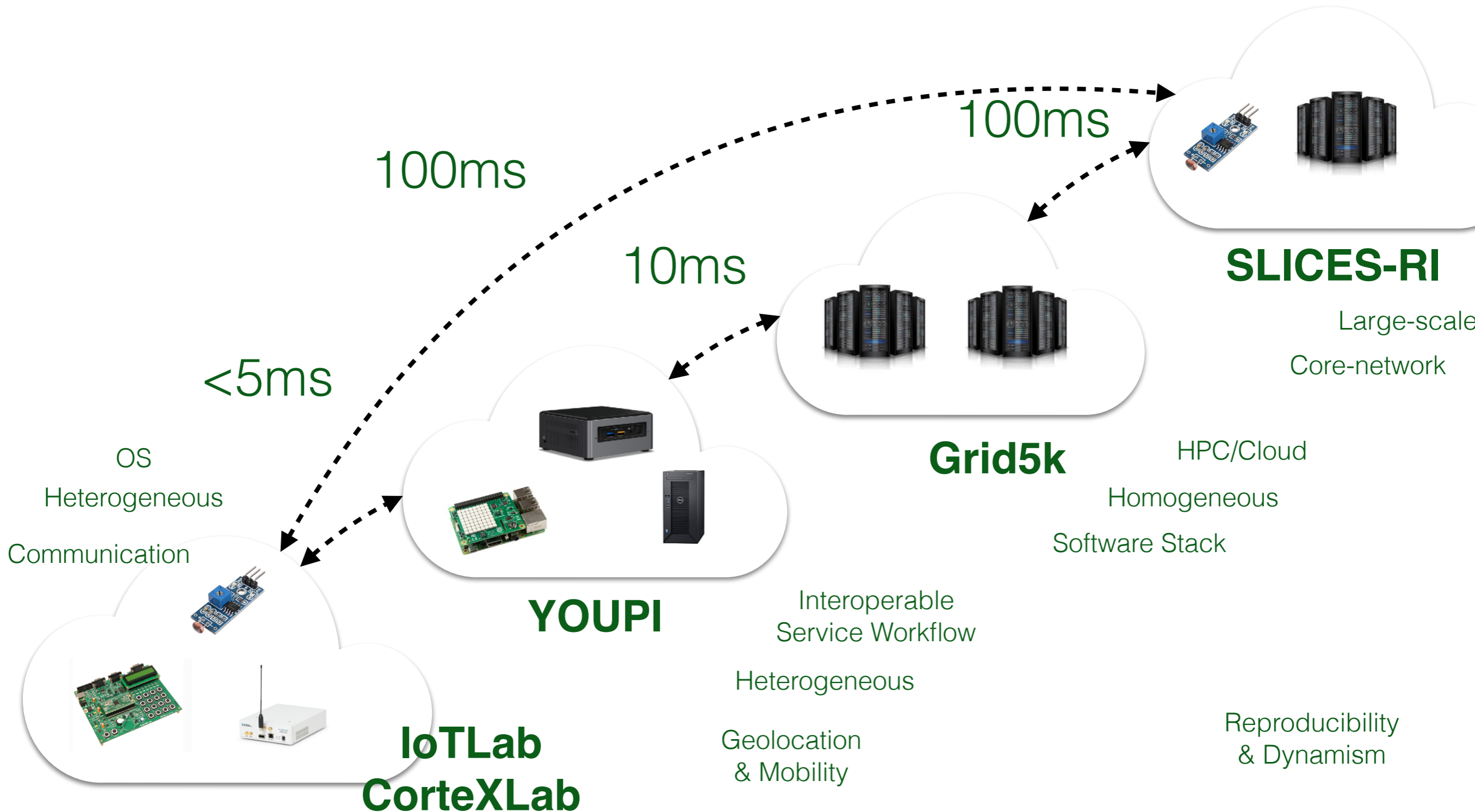
Reproducibility ?



YOUPI vs FIT(IoTLab/ CortexLab) vs Grid5000 ?



Towards SLICES-FR



Goals

- YOUPI: Yet Another *PI platform
 - Off-the-shell hardware and software
 - Capturing dynamic properties of the environment - not reproducible, but traceable - wireless connections/interferences, mobility, user behaviour
 - Replay/analyse offline

Heterogeneous Hardware

- Microcontrollers — Sensing — IoT SASTRESS Node — 4-parts PCB:
 - **Seismic sensor** (omnidirectional geophone) + **amplification and filtering board** (band-pass 10 Hz – 215 Hz, max gain +58 dB at 40 Hz) + buffer stage to MCU ADC
 - **MCU**: MDBT50Q-1MV2 module based on nRF52840 + 62 Mbit EEPROM + DS3231 RTC + SHT31 temperature/humidity sensor
 - **LoRa module**: RFM95W + u.fl connector
 - **Power supply**: 3.7 V – 6000 mAh Li-Ion polymer battery + 80x100 mm 1 W solar panel + power management (MCP73831 + RT9078)

Heterogeneous Hardware

- Microcontrollers — Sensing/Computing — IoT TRALALA Node:
 - **CPU:** Raspberry Pi Zero board, Broadcom BCM2835 (ARM11, 1 GHz, monococe), RAM : 512 MB
 - **LoRa module:** Adafruit LoRa Radio Bonnet with OLED — RFM95W
 - **Solar panel:** 6 V – 9 W
 - **Battery:** 3.7 V – 4400 mAh
 - **Power management:** Solar Pi Platter board (available on request via Tindie / [product link](#))

Heterogeneous Hardware

- 16 RPI4 + 15 RPI3 + 10 RPI2 (+ 2 BananaPI)
 - RPI4: **ARM** Quad Core **1.5GHz** Broadcom BCM2711
64bit CPU, **2-8GB RAM**
 - RPI3: **ARM** Quad Core **1.2GHz** Broadcom BCM2837
64bit CPU, **1GB RAM**
 - RPI2: **ARM** Quad Core **900MHz** Broadcom BCM2836
32bit CPU, **1GB RAM**

Heterogeneous Hardware

- 2 TPUs
 - Tinker Edge T : NXP i.MX 8M Quad-core **ARM** Cortex-A53 **1,5GHz**, **1G RAM**, **Google Edge TPU** GC7000 Lite

Heterogeneous Hardware

- 3 NUCs
 - NUC8I7HVK: **Intel** Kaby Lake G Core i7-8809G **3.1 GHz Quad-Core 8 thread** / GPU Radeon RX Vega M GH Graphics 4 Go HBM2 (24 Compute Units, **1063 MHz**) / **32 Go** DDR4-SODIMM **2400 MHz**
 - NUC7I3BNH: **Intel** Core i3-7100U Dual-Core **2.4 GHz - 4 threads** / GPU Intel HD Graphics 620 (24 Compute Units, **300 MHz**) / **16 Go** DDR3-SODIMM **2133 MHz**

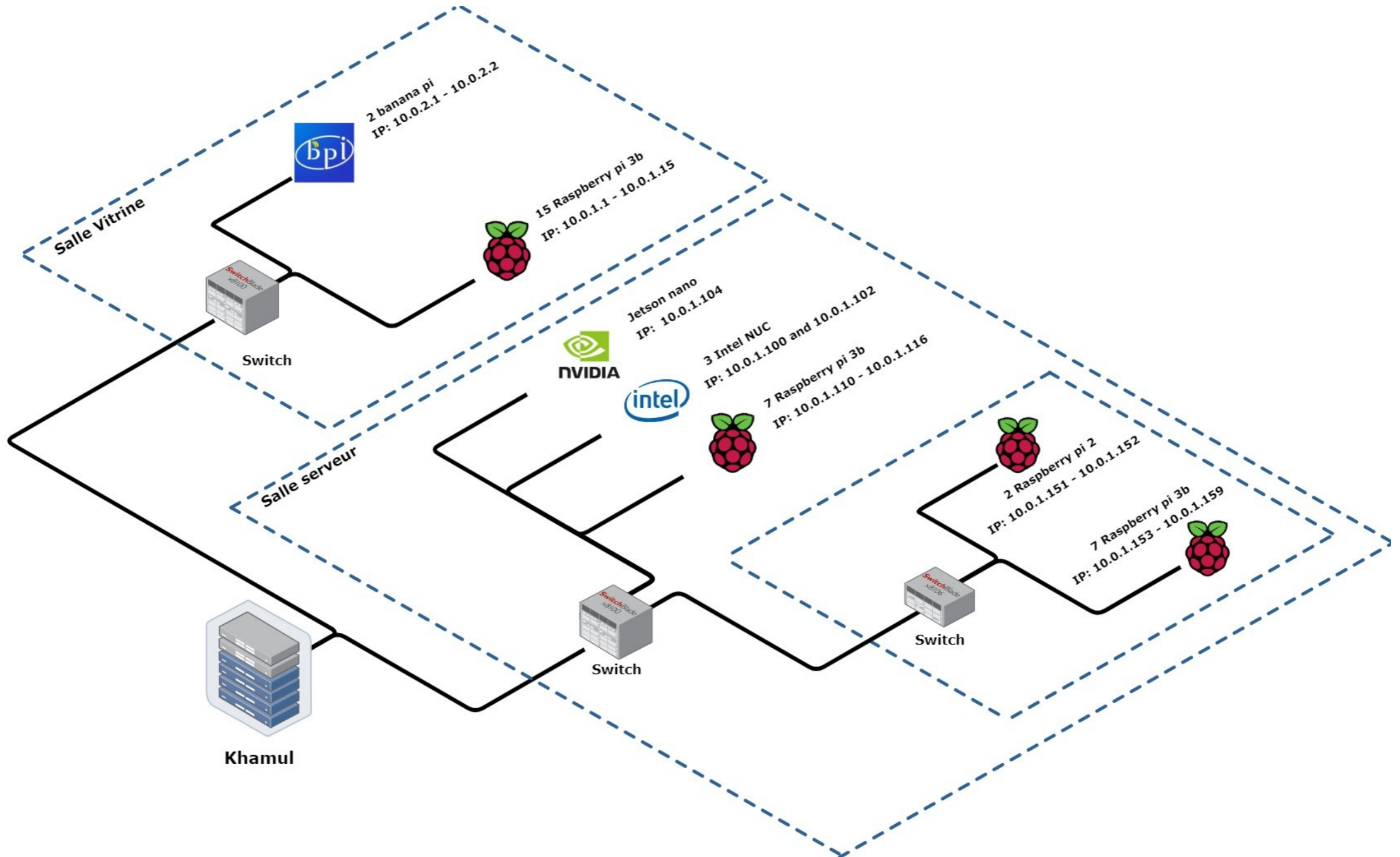
Heterogeneous Hardware

- 4 Nvidias
 - Jetson TX1: **256-core** NVIDIA Maxwell™ GPU **998 MHz**
 - 3 Nano: **128-core** NVIDIA Maxwell™ GPU **921 MHz**

Energy Management

- Power-Over-Ethernet Switch / POE splitter
 - Off-the-shell electric plugs: high failure probability
 - Energy monitoring, switch on/off nodes

Network Topology



Software Management

- Image Server
 - Boot / NFS mount / reflash node / specific configuration
- Off-the-shell containers
 - Docker
 - Kubernetes

Node management / flash

YOUPI reflash system - Implementation

The Flashing Process explained

The Linux Boot Process

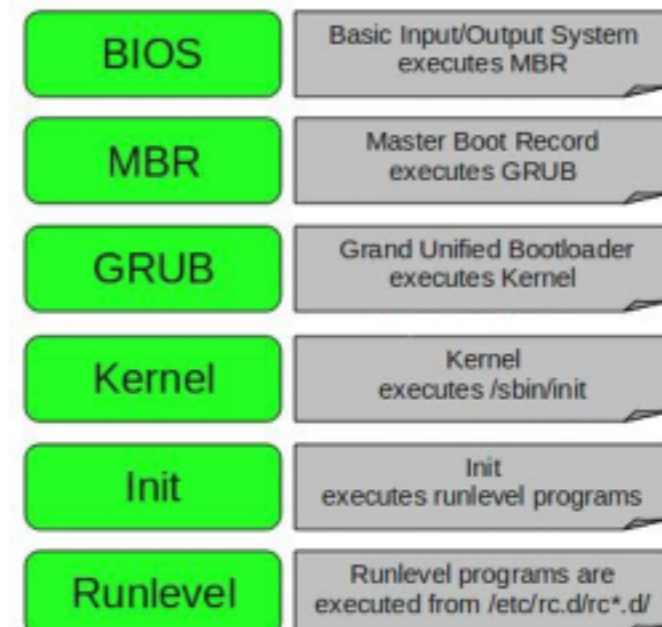
Note: the terms `initrd` and `initramfs` are synonymous/interchangeable.

`initramfs` stands for INITIAL RAM File System.

In a nutshell:

When using `initrd`, the system typically boots as follows:

1. the boot loader loads the kernel and the initial RAM disk
2. The kernel converts `initrd` into a "normal" RAM disk and Frees the memory used by `initrd`
3. root device is mounted..
4. `init` mounts the "real" root file system
5. `init` places the root file system at the root directory
6. `init` execs the `/sbin/init` on the new root filesystem, performing the usual boot sequence
7. the `initrd` file system is removed



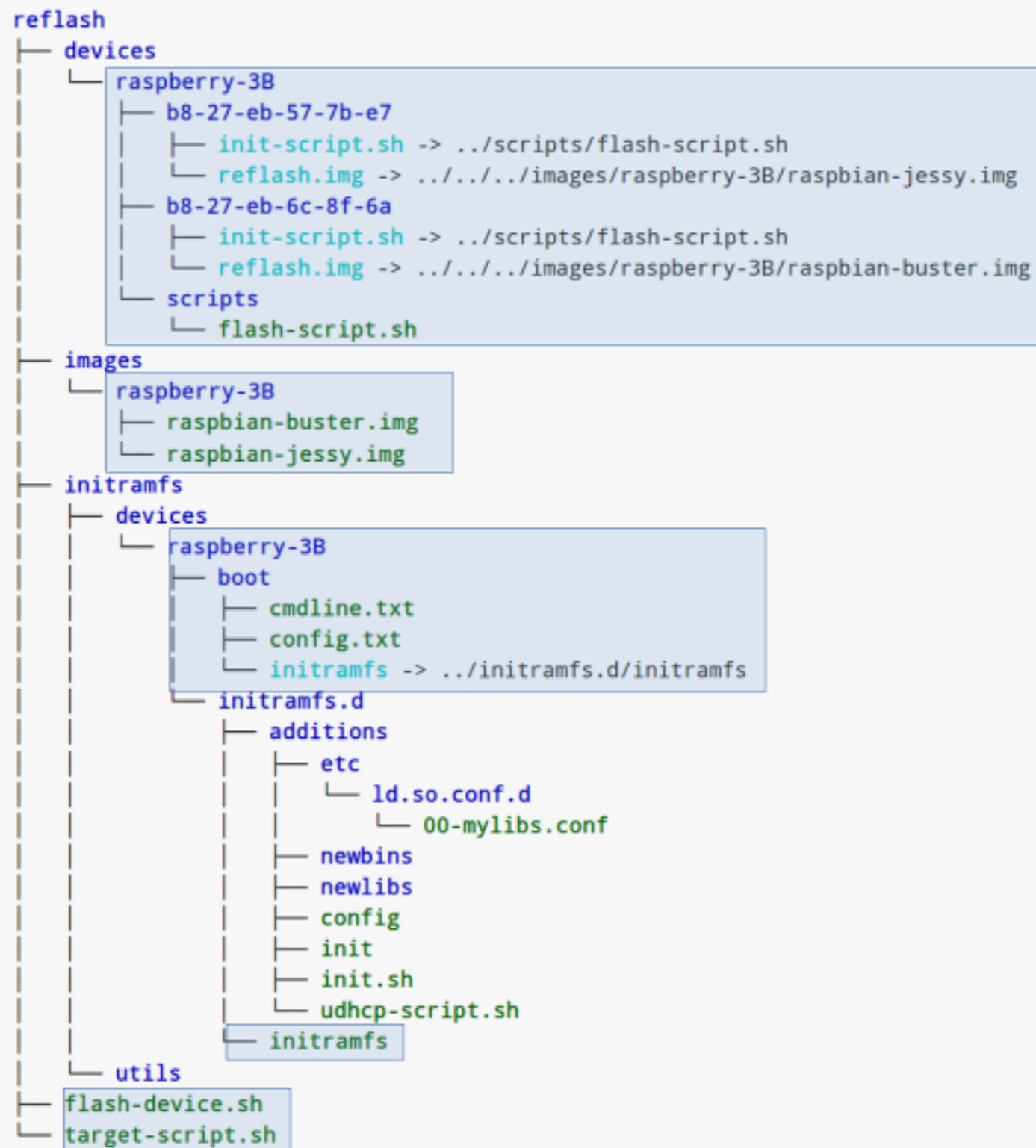
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The Flashing Process itself

During this whole process, we actually "hijack" the init process to perform the following duties:

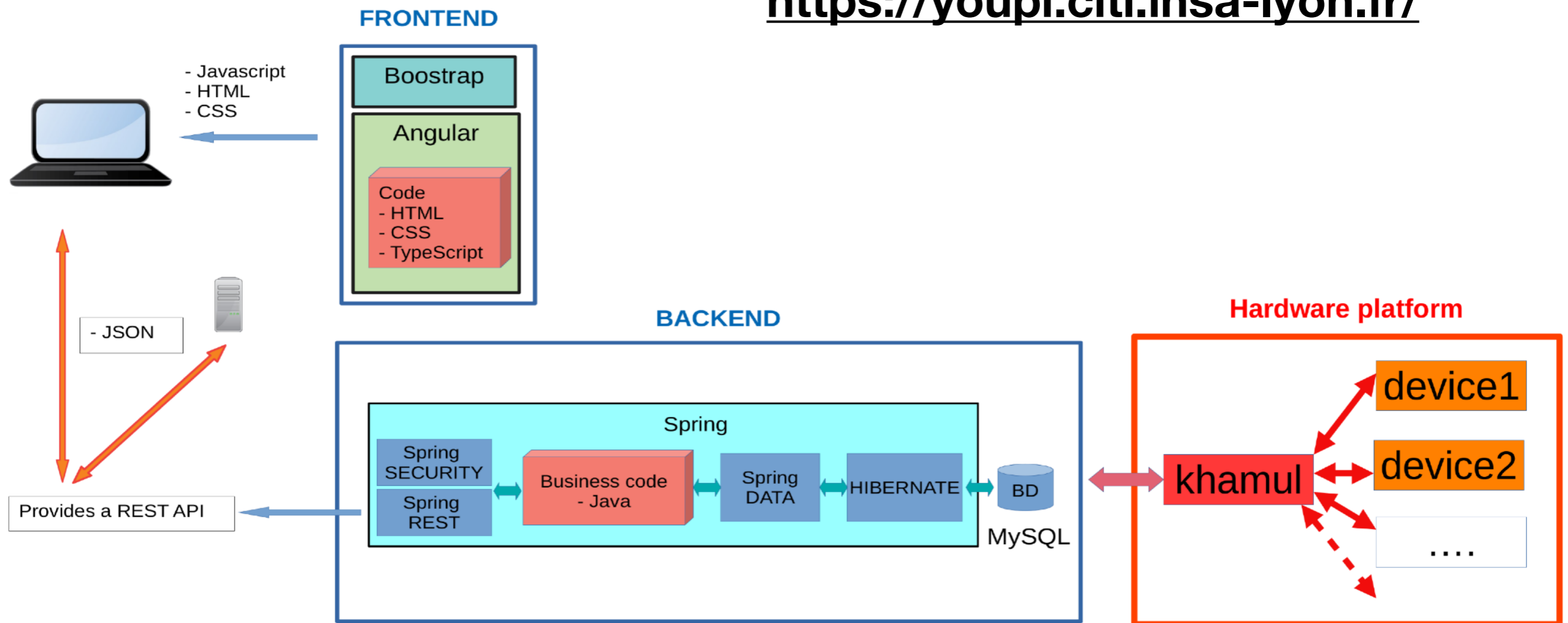
1. Get an IP address via DHCP
2. Mount the nfs directory for the device type we want to flash
3. Execute our flashing script, using the image on the nfs mounted partition
4. Reboot once dd has finished its job and we have have resized the drive to full capacity, bypassing the last 2 steps of the process described previously

Architecture - Example for Raspberry-3B device type



Front-end admin

<https://youpi.citi.insa-lyon.fr/>






User management

USERS

Firstname	Lastname	Username	Approved date	Last Validation date	Expiration date	Enabled	Admin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Valid users only
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>							
Pascal	Girard	pgirard	31/01/2020	31/01/2020	19/10/2019	Yes	Yes	Details
Jack	Bauer	jbauer	31/01/2020	31/01/2020	08/01/2020	Yes	No	Details
Bernadette	O'Brian	bbrian	31/01/2020	31/01/2020	23/02/2020	Yes	No	Details
Michelle	Dessler	mdessler	31/01/2020	31/01/2020	07/06/2020	Yes	No	Details
Marc	Laurent	mllaurent	31/01/2020	31/01/2020	05/08/2018	Yes	No	Details
Kevin	Ubuntu	kubuntu	07/02/2020	07/02/2020	07/06/2020	Yes	No	Details
Gauthier	Page	gpage	07/02/2020	07/02/2020	23/11/2019	Yes	No	Details
Olivier	Morignon	omorignon	07/02/2020	07/02/2020	07/06/2020	Yes	No	Details
toto	Morignon	toto	07/02/2020	07/02/2020	07/06/2020	Yes	No	Details

User management

 Lists ▾ Reservation ▾ Flash ▾ My account ▾ Doc  

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Firstname Jack	Lastname Bauer	Username jbauer	Email pascal.girard@rrr.fr
Phone number 0686596352	Instant Messaging	Personal URL http://www.jack.com	
Sign up date 2019-12-27 22:06	Approved date 2020-01-31 15:26	Last Validation date 2020-01-31 15:26	Expiration date 2020-01-08 11:53

Admin
 Enabled

Account not in validation pending

Submit Change email Change password Delete user partially

ROLES

Role name

USER

CREDENTIALS

(Without a SSH Key, no connection to Youpi platform is possible)

SSH key Create

toto Delete

EMPLOYERS

(The current employer is written in green)

Institute / Or...	Entity	Team name	Location	Country	Employer type	Professional ...	Start date	End date	Create
INSA	CITI	Maracas	6 avenue des Arts 69100 Villeurbanne	France	Business & industry	PhD	17/01/1970 08:50		Details Delete

Booking management

MY RESERVATIONS

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Current / future

Reservation nu...	Responsible	Users involved	Submission date	Start date	Duration	End date	Reservation de...	Devices	Type
165	Pascal Girard		2024-12-11 11:07	2024-12-12 13:07	01J00H00	2024-12-13 13:07	resa 4 pgirard	10.0.1.102 / 10.0.1.103	Shared
155	Pascal Girard	Jack Bauer , Kevin David	2024-06-03 14:30	2024-06-04 15:30	183J00H12	2024-12-04 14:42	resa 1 pgirard	10.0.1.31 / 10.0.1.32	Shared
160	Pascal Girard		2024-05-13 17:00	2024-05-18 19:00	205J17H04	2024-12-10 11:05	resa 3 pgirard	10.0.1.51 / 10.0.1.52 / 10.0.1.53 / 10.0.1.54	Exclusive
158	Pascal Girard		2024-05-01 15:00	2024-05-02 15:00	219J20H00	2024-12-08 10:00	resa 2 pgirard	10.0.1.21	Exclusive
168	Pascal Girard	Jack Bauer , Kevin David	2023-06-17 18:29	2023-06-23 19:29	01H02	2023-06-23 20:31	resa 5 pgirard	10.0.1.31 / 10.0.1.32	Shared


Book device(s)

OTHER RESERVATION(S)


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Reservation nu...	Responsible	Users involved	Submission date	Start date	Duration	End date	Reservation de...	Devices	Type
177	Jack Bauer		2024-12-20 16:09	2024-12-22 18:12	03J00H00	2024-12-25 18:12	resa 3 jbauer	10.0.1.107 / 10.0.1.108	Exclusive
171	Jack Bauer		2024-12-13 15:07	2024-12-14 15:07	02J00H00	2024-12-16 15:07	resa 1 jbauer	10.0.1.31 / 10.0.1.32	Exclusive
174	Jack Bauer	Pascal Girard , Michelle Dessler , Marc Laurent , André Martin	2024-06-01 19:00	2024-06-02 20:00	200J00H08	2024-12-19 19:09	resa 2 jbauer	10.0.1.105 / 10.0.1.106	Exclusive





Booking management





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BOOK DEVICE(S)

2 Select additional user(s) 


Jack Bauer X Michelle Dessler X

START * 2025-05-26  17  : 20  

END * 2025-05-26  17  : 35  

OR

DURATION * 0 : 15

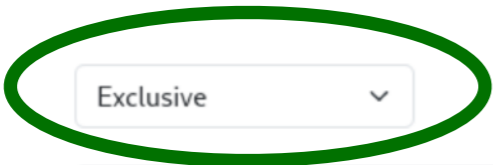
Type * **Exclusive** 

Description * Test reservation

Device type * raspberry-3Bplus



Device *	IP address	MAC address
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<input type="checkbox"/>	10.0.1.35	(b8-27-eb-a5-66-d0)

Shared or Exclusive




Node management / flash

FLASH DEVICE(S)

Device type * Device * Image *  

Last image used to flash the device :

Device type	Device	Image	Flashing status	
raspberry-3B	10.0.1.13 (b8-27-eb-8d-bd-c9)	2025-03-27-raspbios-bullseye-arm64.img	Flashing 2025-03-27-raspbios-bullseye-arm64.img	
raspberry-3Bplus	10.0.1.32 (b8-27-eb-38-55-62)	2025-03-27-raspbios-bullseye-arm64.img	Node is ready	

Future work - your needs ?

- Software integration
 - Booking tools / Resource allocation / Service Orchestration - different SLICES-FR hubs, APIs ?
 - OAR / kadeploy / GUIX contribution ?
- Scenario in 5G / IoT
 - SLICES-FR blueprint - computing/storing services handoff in multi-proximity clouds

Future work - your needs ?

- Off-the-shell electronic components: significant failure probability (electric plug, SD cards), normal behaviour - highly-dynamic local fault-tolerance at the Edge? vs Energy?
 - Energy Management
 - Manageable PDU
 - Manageable Switches -> front-end integration
 - Dynamic Network Topologies
 - P4 switches: Tofino Wedge
 - Efficient cross-domain network management? IPv6 local interconnection
 - VXLAN, tunnelling SSH: encapsulation, not acceptable delay for Edge Computing, level 3 SLICES-RI connection

Future work - your needs ?

- Off-the-shell electronic components: significant failure probability (electric plug, SD cards), normal behaviour - highly-dynamic local fault-tolerance at the Edge? vs Energy?
- HardwareAsAService - in collaboration with WALTonTheRoof
 - Comparison specific IoT design vs Generic nodes
 - Energy footprint
 - On demand wake up

Future work - your needs ?

- Off-the-shell electronic components: significant failure probability (electric plug, SD cards), normal behaviour - highly-dynamic local fault-tolerance at the Edge? vs Energy?

- Quantum Computer / Quantum switches at the border



- <https://www.spinquanta.com/products/superconducting-quantum-products>

- <https://meetiqm.com/products/iqm-spark/>



- <https://www.pasqal.com/fr/solutions/hardware/>



- <https://www.quandela.com/products-and-services/mosaiq/>



- https://eurohpc-ju.europa.eu/eurohpc-quantum-computers/our-quantum-computers_en

- <https://qutech.nl/business-innovation/academic-collaborations/>

- <https://quantuminternetalliance.org/products-and-platforms/>

Discussions ?