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Green Deal for Microelectronics – Material & Energy Efficiency by Design

## Material & Energy Efficency by Design

- Distributed connected devices drive the market of wireless sensors and embedded systems
- Estimated ca. 28 billion WiFi/BT-connected end consumer devices world wide in 2030, most equipped with batteries
- Increasing efficiency helps reducing waste of battery or oversized power supplies
- Especially batteries and rechargebles have a high ecological footprint
- We can show reduction of power demand up to factor 5 which means elongation of lifetime





# How can we save energy without loss of fuctionality Methodical Design of Energy-Efficient Systems

## Design

- Modular Architecture
- Reconfigurable HW
- Application specific

# Realisation

- Hardware-Firmware-CoDesign
- Power Saving by Al based Power Manager

## **Evaluation**

- Functionality (Benchmark)
- Measurement of Energy Efficiency

**Power Estimation** 

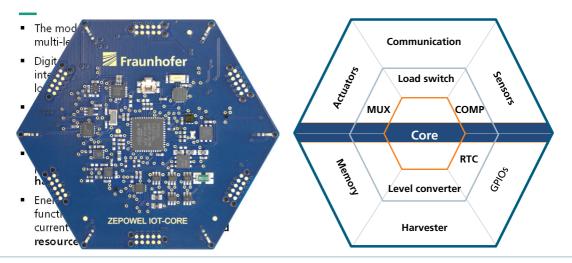
**Power Simulation** 

**Power Measurement** 





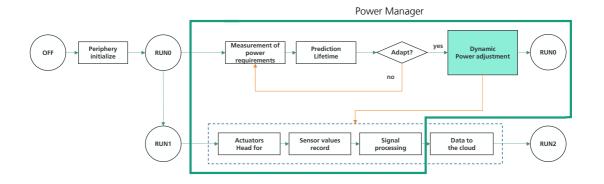
# Concept for modular and reconfigurable platform design







## **Simplified State Diagram of Power Manager**



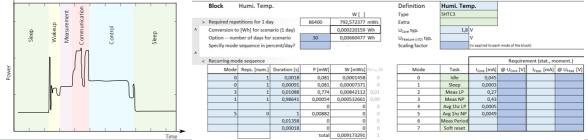




#### Power demand simulation and calculation

- Based on the planned functionality and the associated system states, an estimate of the average energy demand can be carried out
- It is based on the assemblies used in the design and their specified power consumption

 $oldsymbol{\zeta}^{\star}$  On the basis of the average energy requirement, operation life time can be estimated

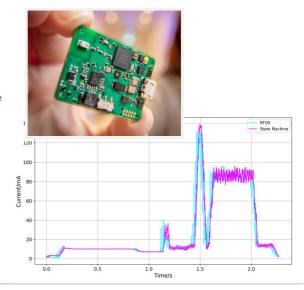






#### **Measurement and Validation**

- With precise measurements and long term logging the simulation results are proofed and refined.
- Simulated application and environmental conditions are additional stimulus parameters
- · All functional building blocks are validated
- The comparison of classic "state-machine" to RTOS-based implementations reveals only marginal differences in energy consumption



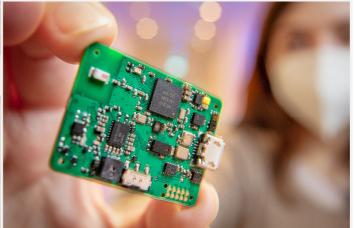




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## Wireless Sensor Platform "Swarmy"







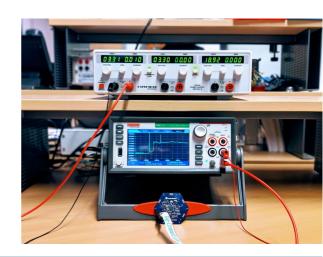


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#### **Conclusion**

By implementing hard- and firmware on a demonstrator, the concept of the low power design methodology could be verified by performing measurements on the test bench:

- Synergy effects in the ultra-low power range achieved through the developed HW-SW coarchitecture
- Test rig, for measuring power consumption in the picoampere range with a high temporal resolution, successfully commissioned
- Quantification of savings potentials and minimization of energy consumption by a factor of 5 confirmed
- Dynamically adjust performance at runtime of the system
- Modular connection of external components successfully tested









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# Thank you for your attention