

community metering

- MSc. Electrical Engineering
- Alcatel-Lucent Antwerp '99 - '07
- ADSL R&D '99 - '04
- Bell Labs ReNA '04 - '07
- Co-founder Jokamajo Institute '07 - present
- Founder Fluksø '07 - present



MICROTECNICA S.R.L.

kWh

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HELP PEOPLE IN REDUCING RESOURCE CONSUMPTION:

* VISUALIZE ENERGY STREAMS

* CLOSE FEEDBACK LOOP

* BENCHMARK AGAINST PEERS

watt

20:00 20:10 20:20 20:30 20:40 20:50

icarus75 min: 241 max: 2820 avg: 1654 last: 497
mackenzie min: 1080 max: 1380 avg: 1216 last: 1200
jan min: 117 max: 2250 avg: 432 last: 136
Ludo min: 87 max: 2130 avg: 503 last: 290

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icarus75

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- o My account
- ▶ My relationships
- ▶ Create content
- ▶ Administer
- o Log out

Subscriptions

[x] mackenzie
[x] jan
[x] Ludo

Fluksonians

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Unit

watt
kWh/year
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dynamically (un)subscribe to other Fluksonians' data streams

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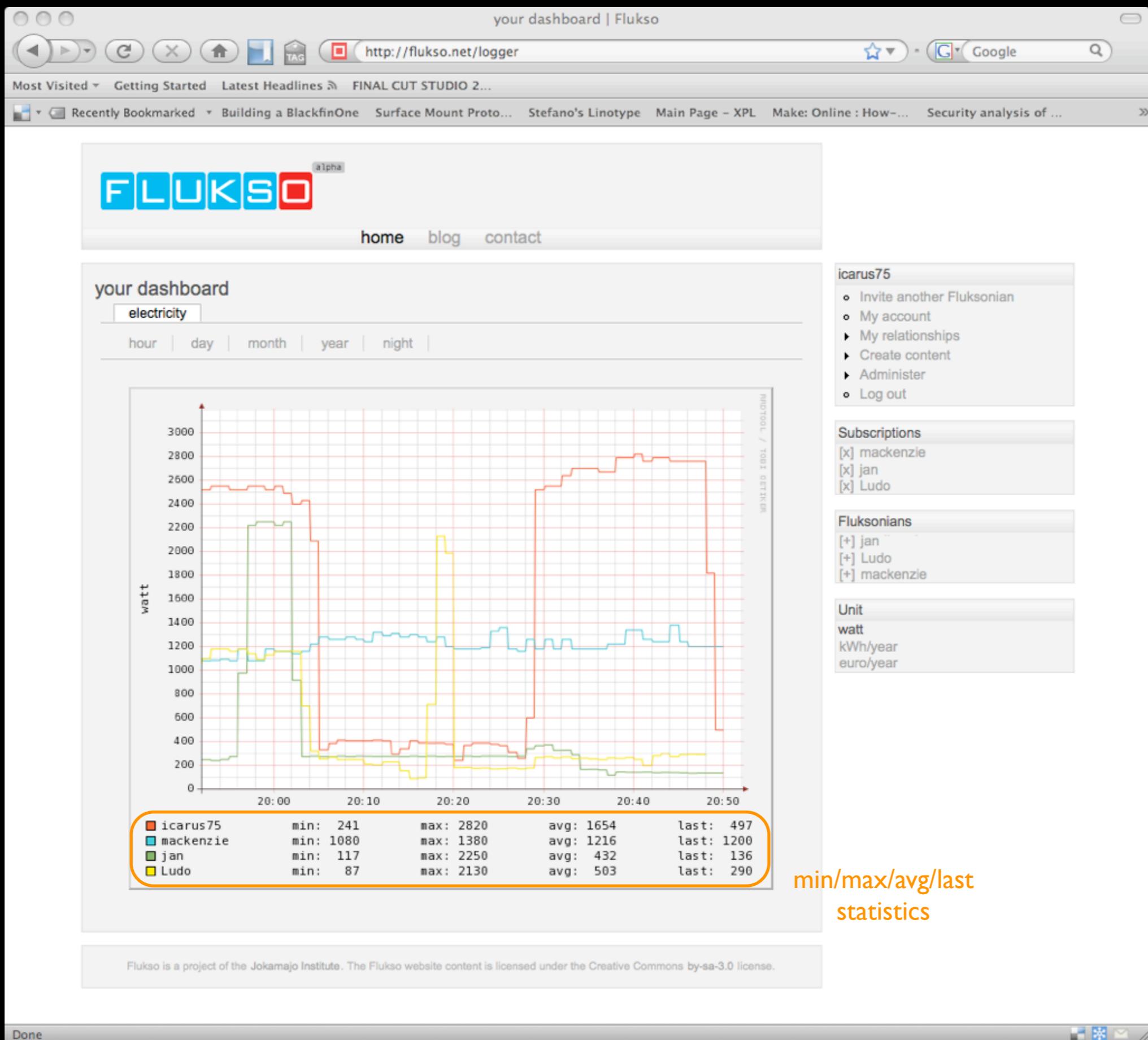
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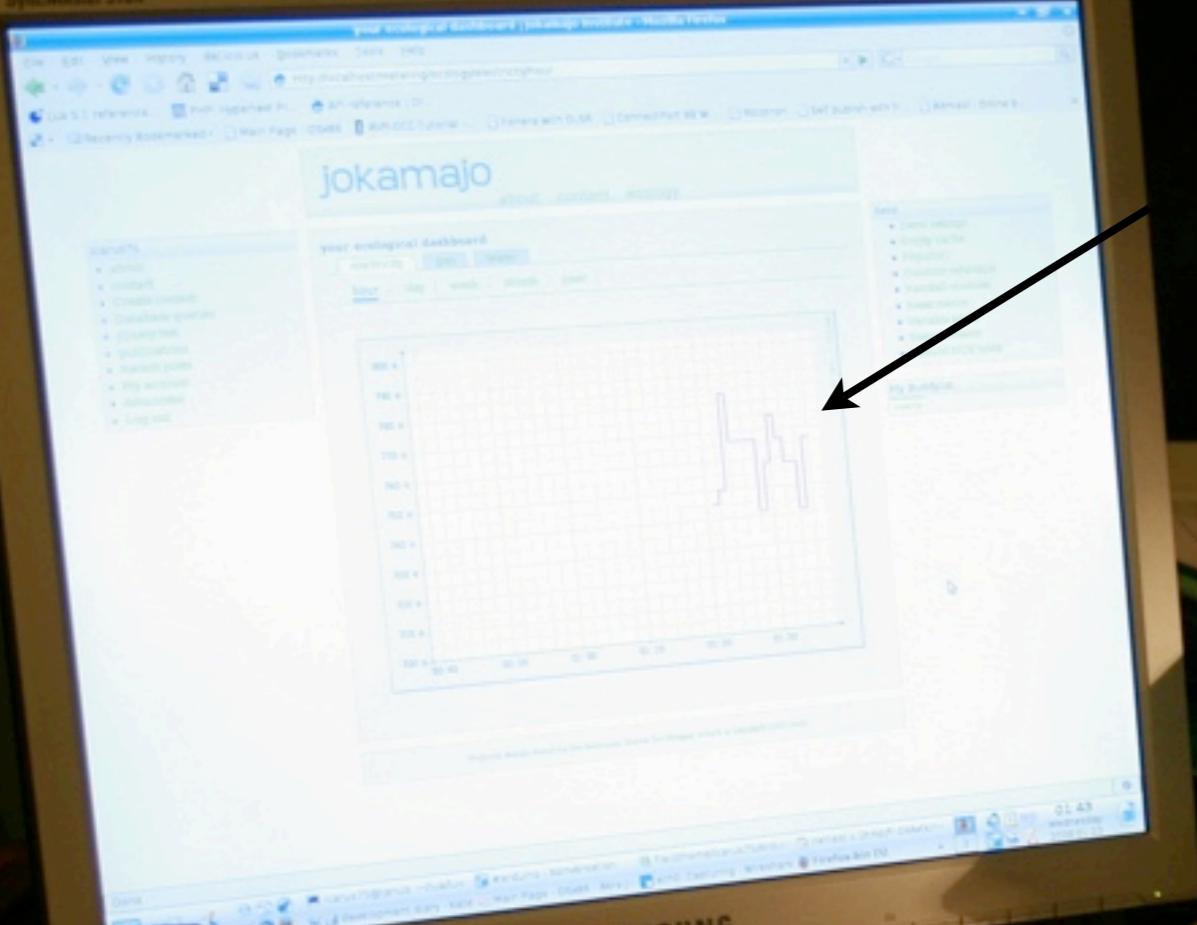
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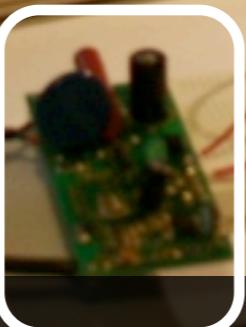


Flukso's first steps!

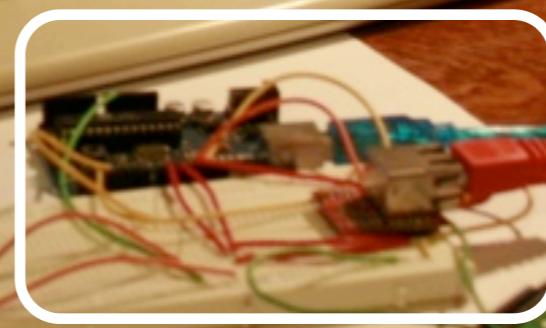
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energy meter

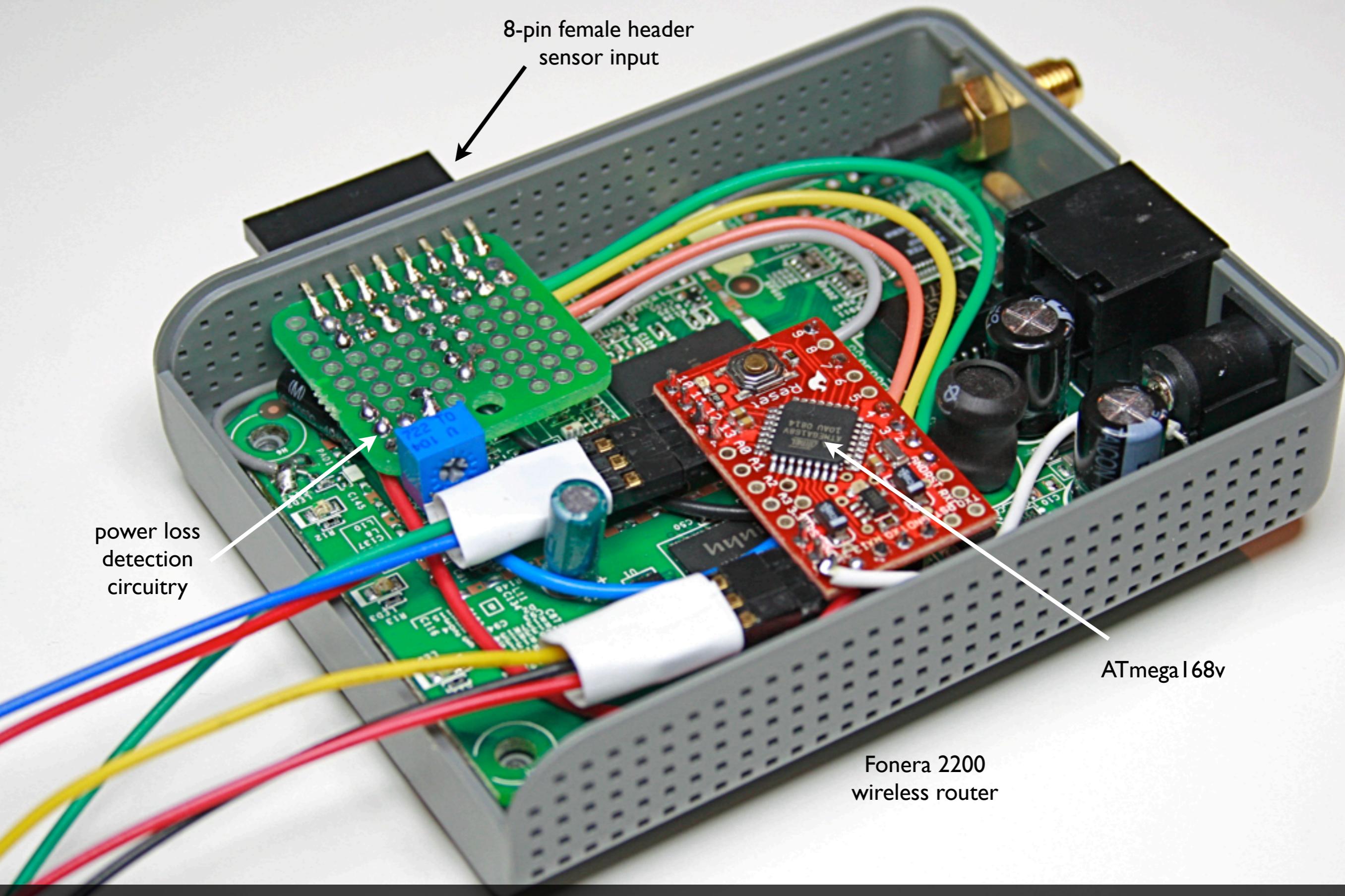


energy meter
dev board



ethernet-enabled
Arduino



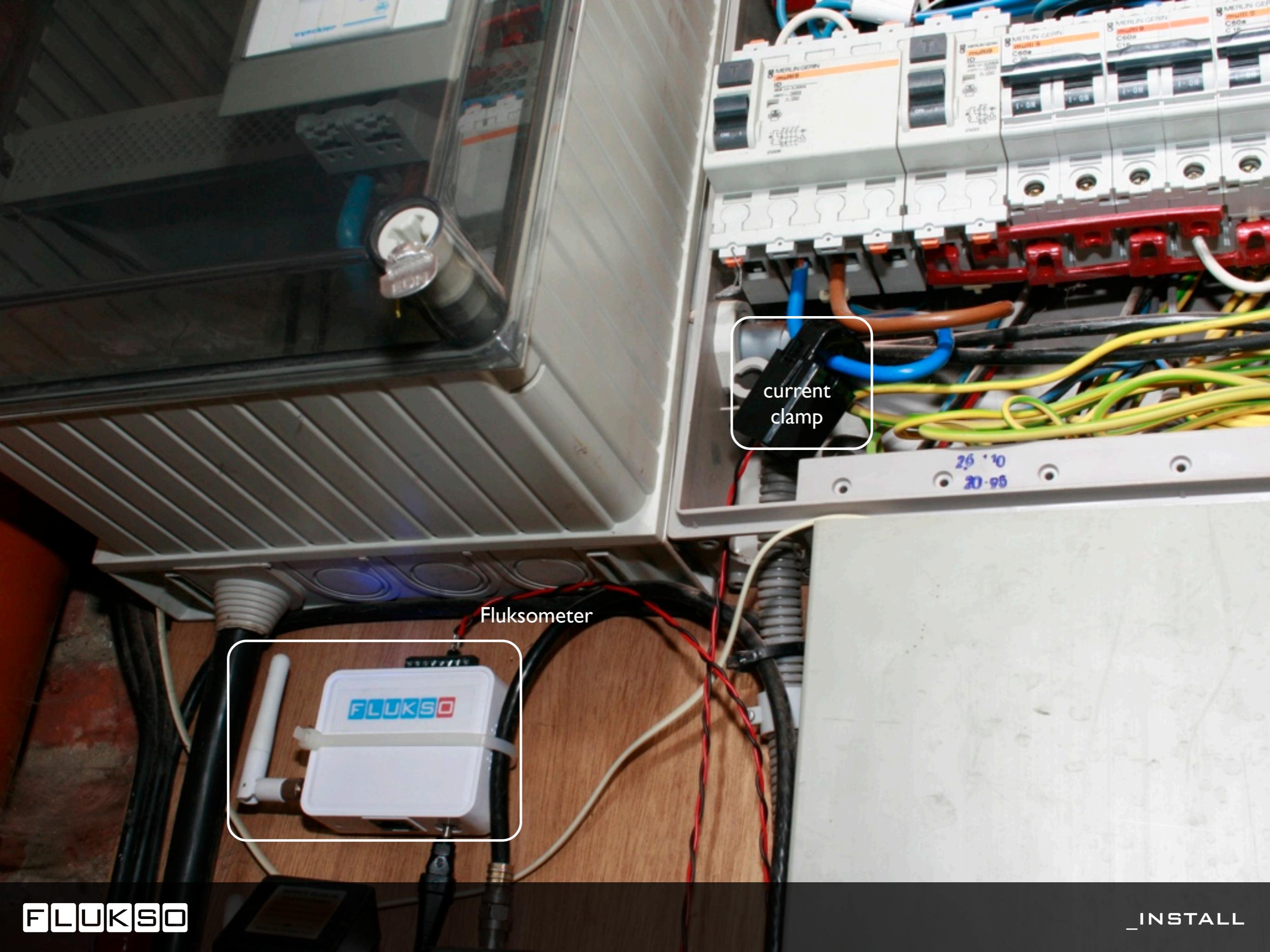


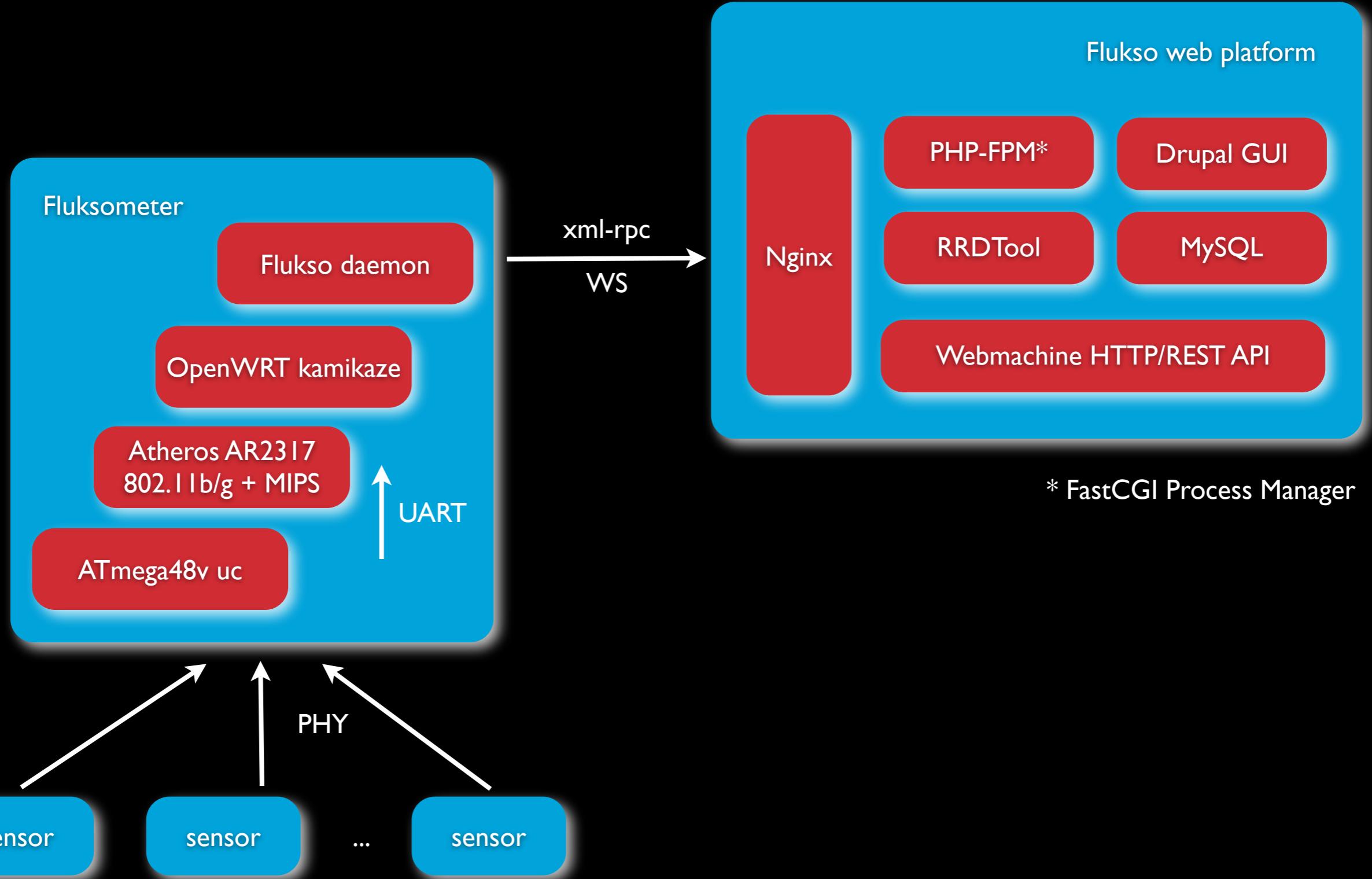
4MB Flash/16MB RAM



Flukso sensor
board

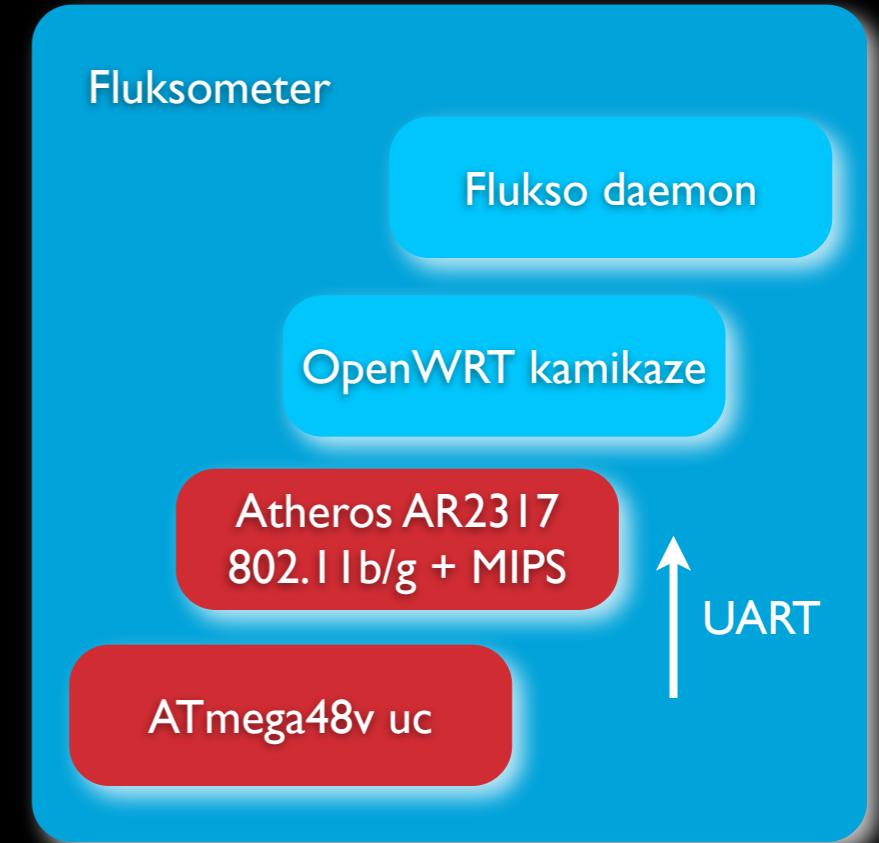
UART and power
to main board





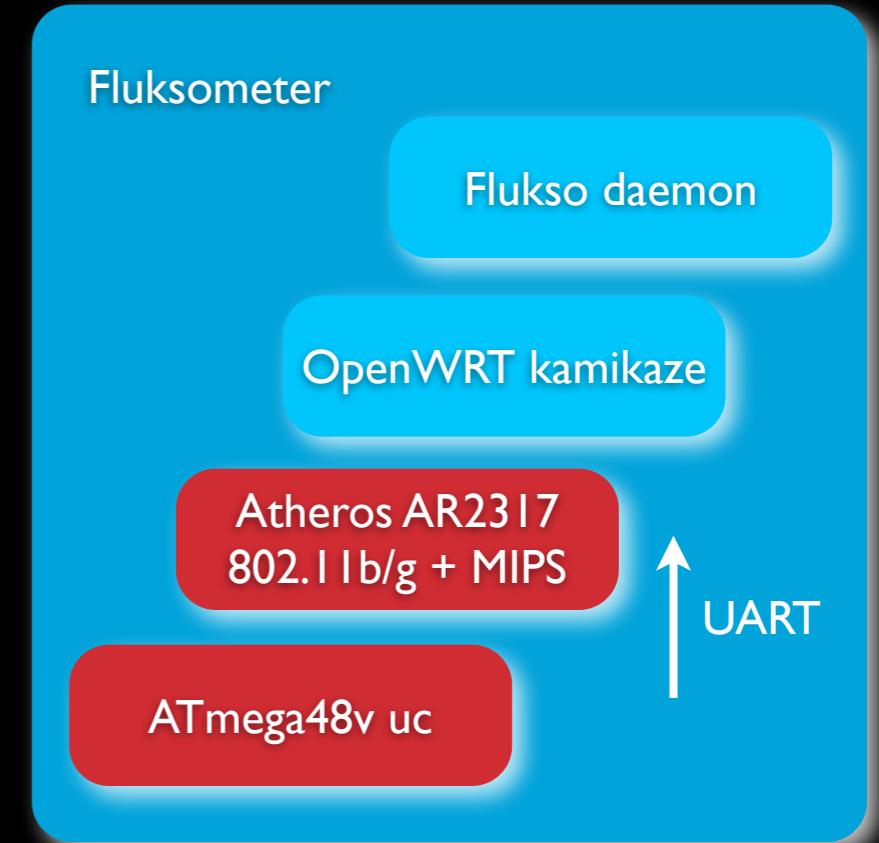
Why two platforms?

- ATmega48v is an 8 bit AVR uc
- Loads of GPIOs
- 10 bit ADC / analog comparator
- U(S)ART / SPI / 2-wire
- Multiple timers / PWM
- A great platform for hooking up any sensor or actuator!
- BUT: Limited network connectivity



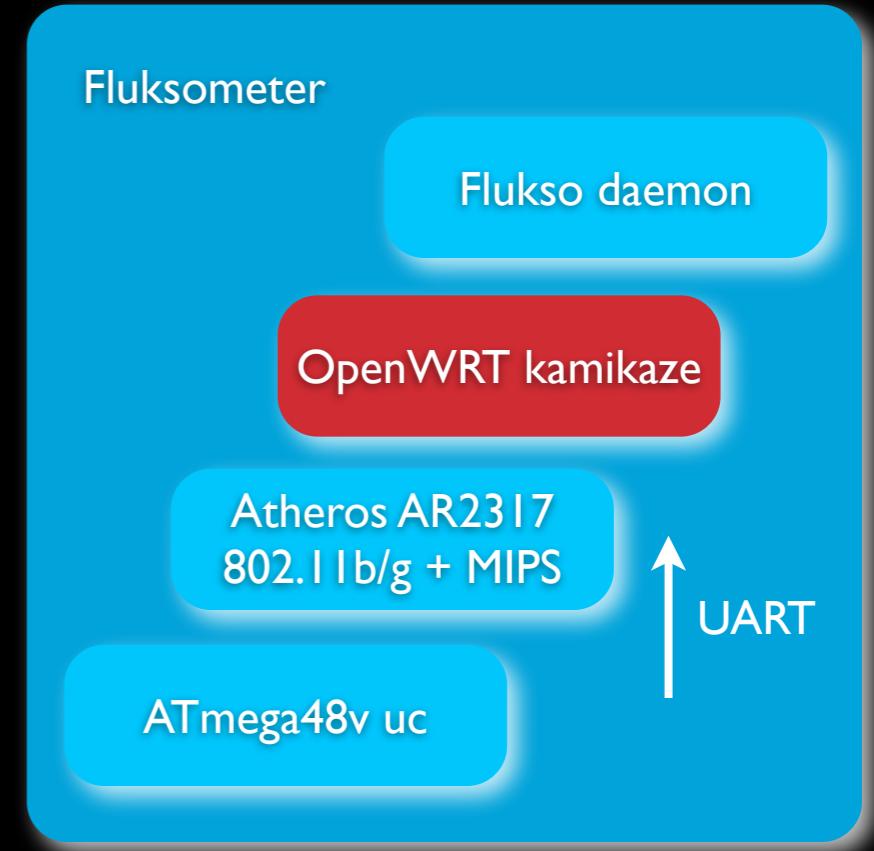
Why two platforms? cont.

- Atheros AR2317 is an 802.11b/g SoC
- Integrated 32 bit MIPS R4Kc proc
- Flash with OpenWRT and you get an embedded Linux box
- Eth, WiFi, DHCP, NTP, PPP, PPTP, PPPoE, SSL, [your favorite acronym here]
- BUT: Only 8 GPIO pins. Poor physical computing platform.



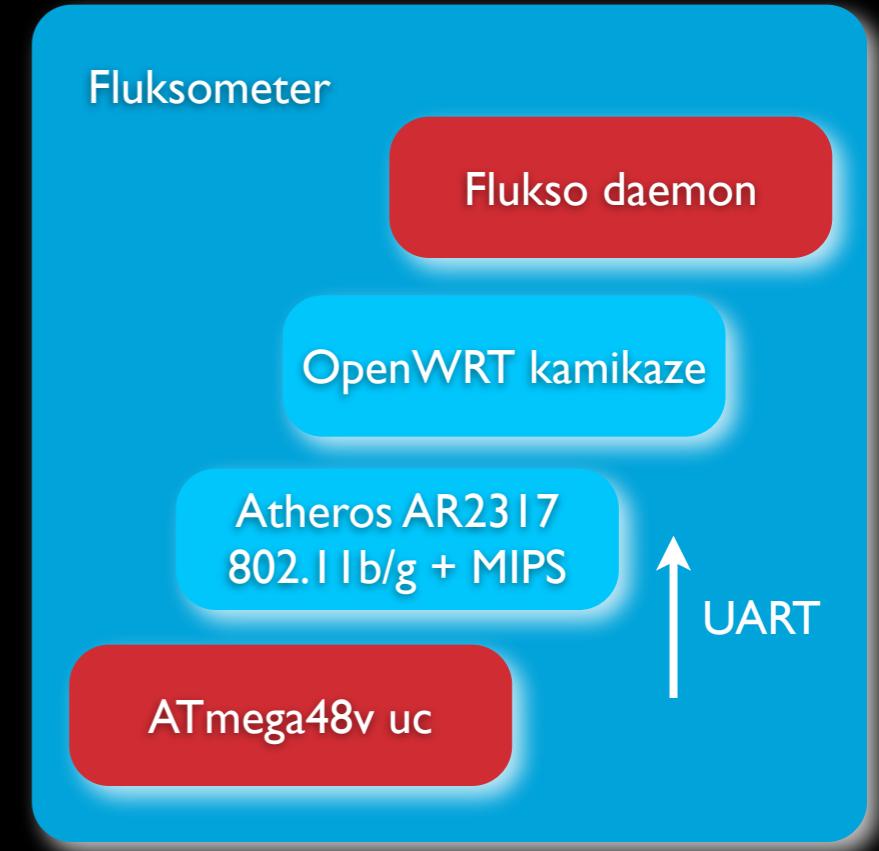
OpenWRT Buildroot

- set of Makefiles and patches
- x-compilation toolchain based on Linux kernel / uClibc and Busybox
- generates target firmware images and additional selected packages
- includes opkg package manager on target



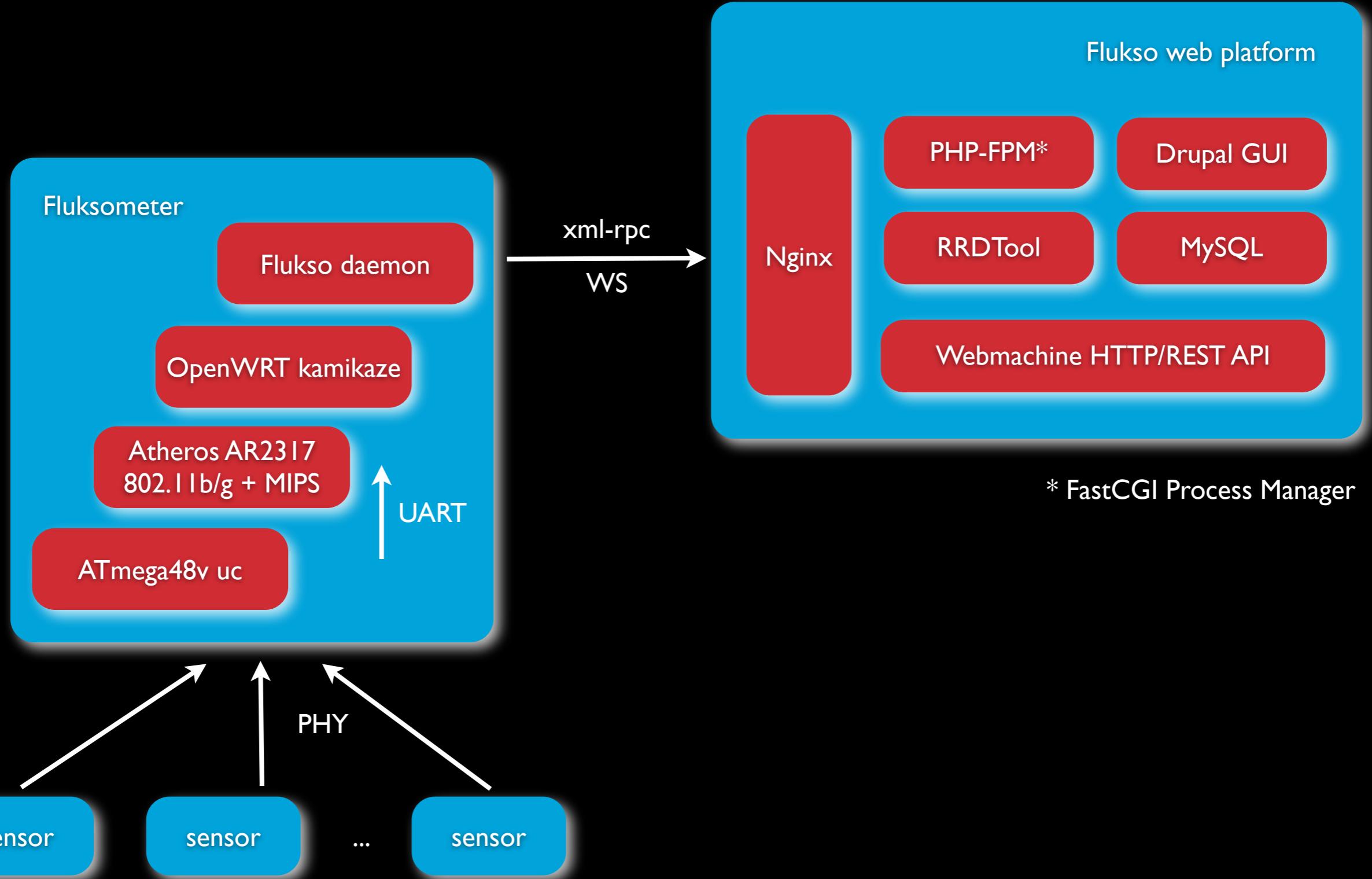
What if the connection drops?

- Log {Timestamp, Counter} tuples
- Allows for ‘gaps’ in logging
- Never lose track of Counter! Use power loss detection circuitry in uc to trigger EEPROM write of Counter
- Buffer tuples in Fluksometer RAM
- Age tuples in the daemon so that RAM increases logarithmically in time

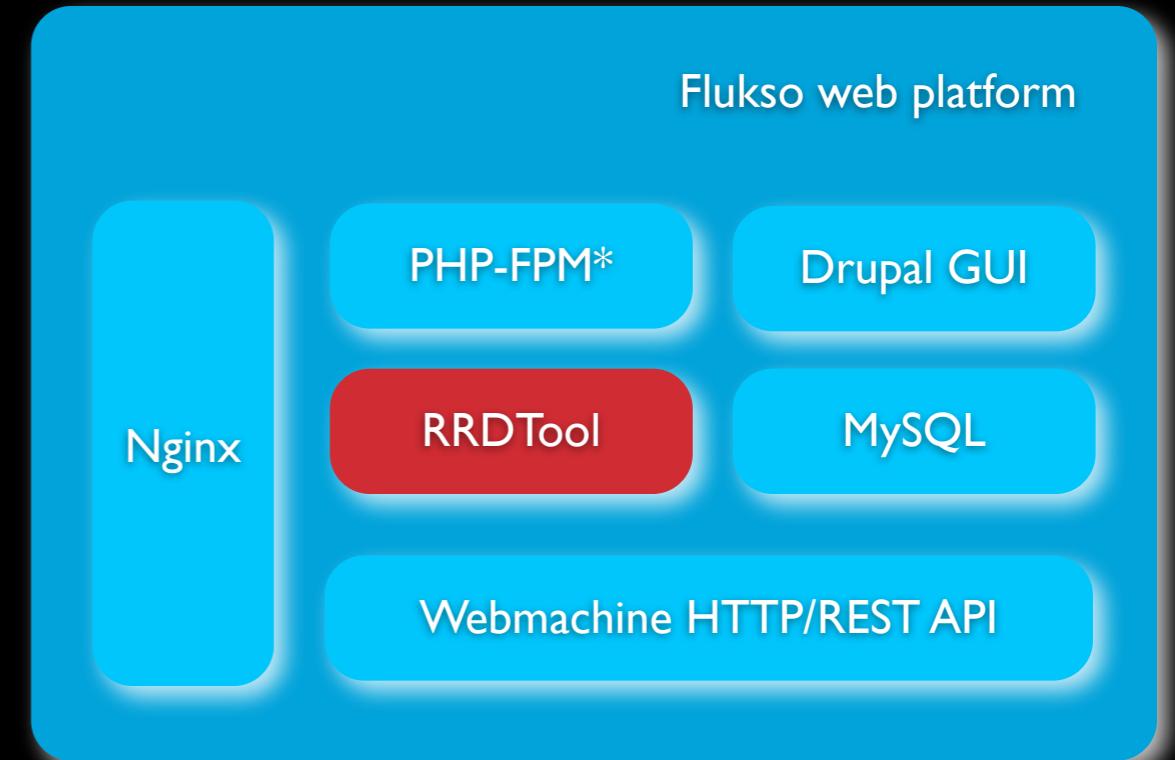




- Dynamically typed and garbage collected
- Primary and only data structuring mechanism: the ubiquitous table {}
- First-class functions, closures, proper tail calls
- Coroutines for non-preemptive multithreading
- Dynamic module loading
- Extensible through C API
- All these goodies on a 150KB footprint, incl luac!

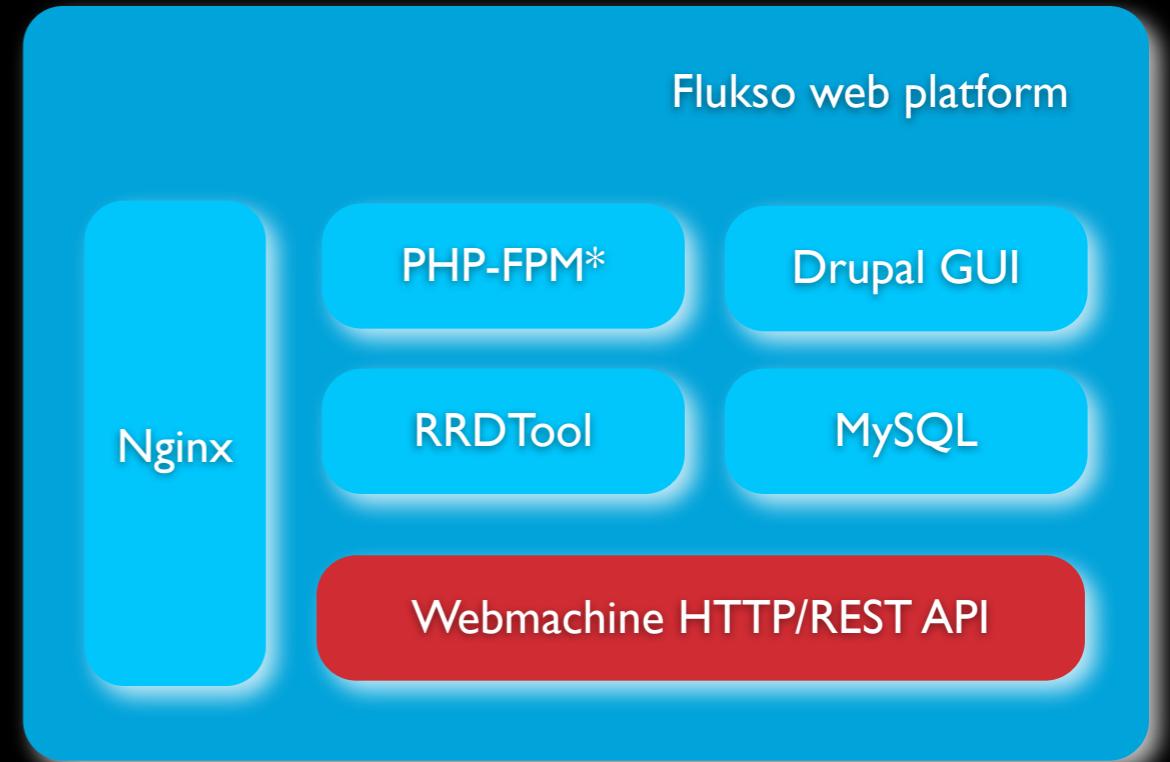


Data storage?



- Log time series data in RRDs
- Data set will not grow in size!
- It will simply age the data, reducing resolution
- Graphing layer included
- 1.4 introduces a caching daemon for improved performance

Show me the API!



- Webmachine / Mochiweb based
- JSON HTTP/REST API
- [GET http://api.flukso.net/sensor/
d8a8ab8893ea73f768b66b45234b5c3a/hour/watt](http://api.flukso.net/sensor/d8a8ab8893ea73f768b66b45234b5c3a/hour/watt)

- Introduce a broader range of current sensors [50A, 100A, 250A, 500A]
- Measure multiple electricity flows: aggregate consumption & PV or wind generation
- Monitor other resources: water, heating?
- Monitor environmental parameters: temp, humidity?
- Add RS-485 communication to the Fluksometer: mySmartGrid project



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