

## Meet Wi-Fi HaLow

The long-range Sub-GHz Wi-Fi for IoT

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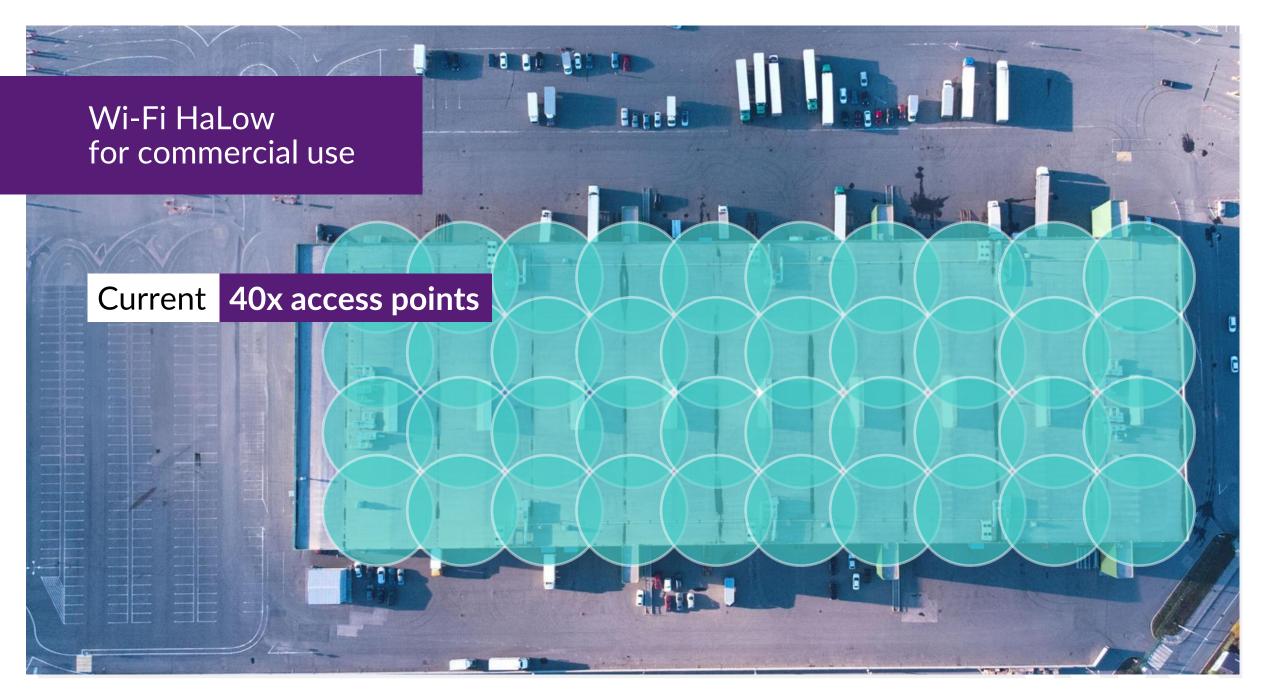
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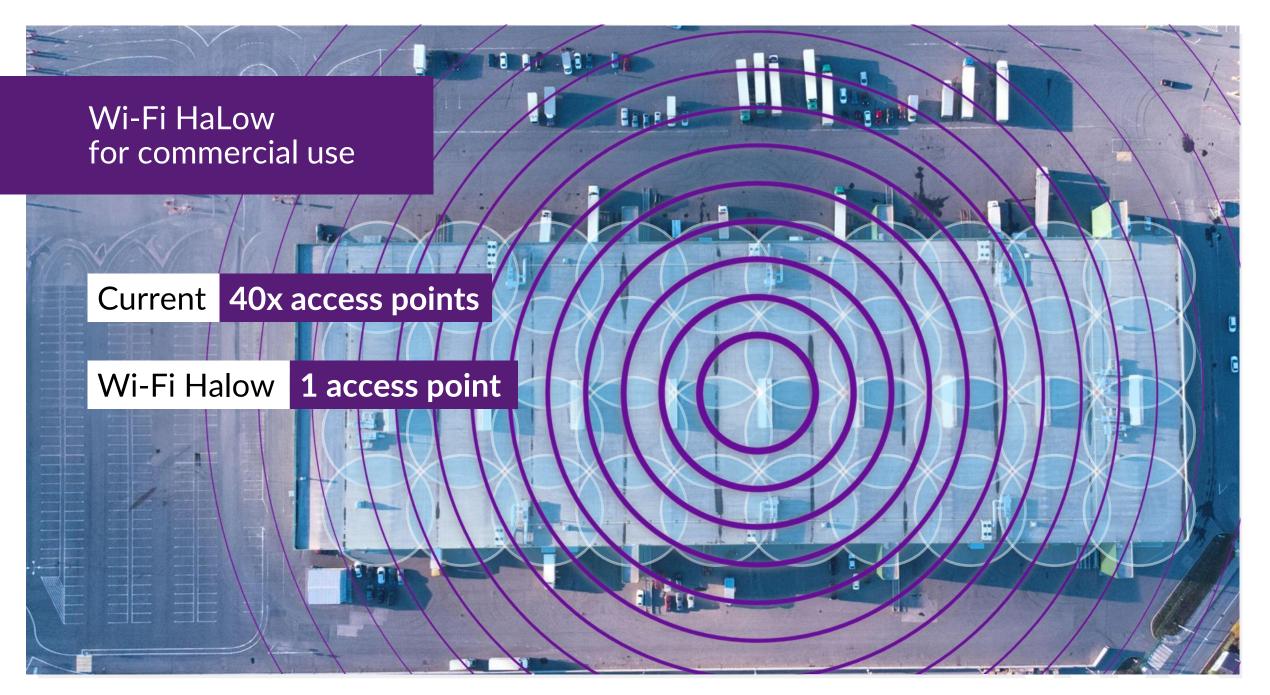
What is Wi-Fi HaLow?



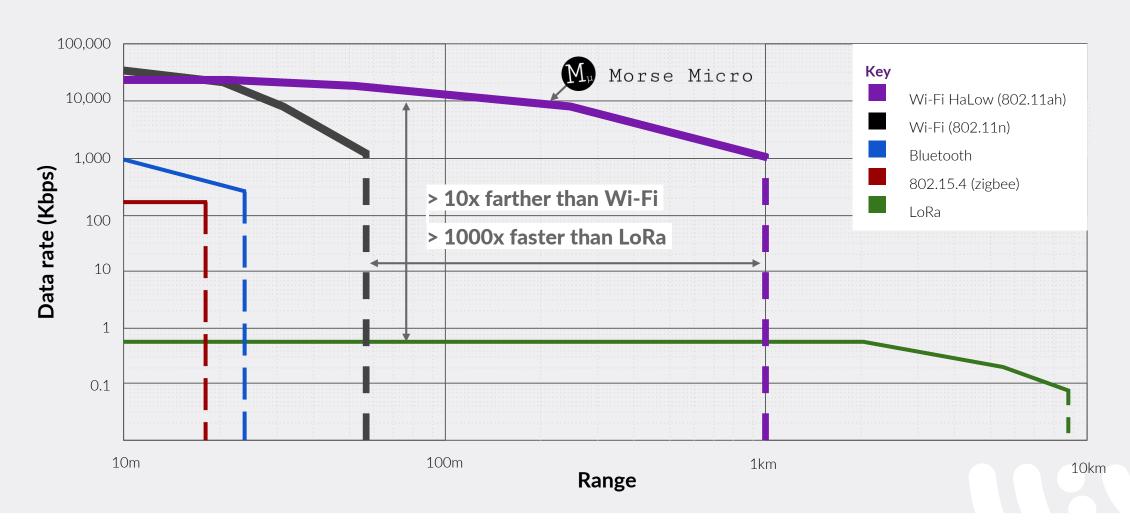


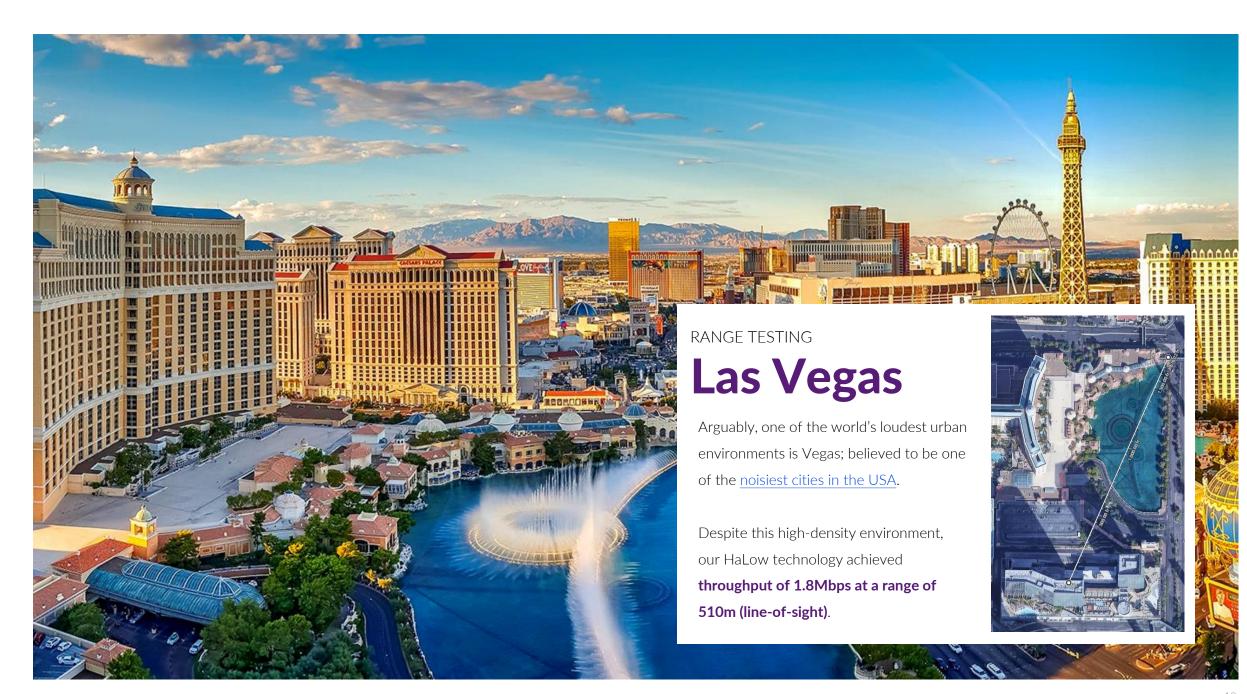


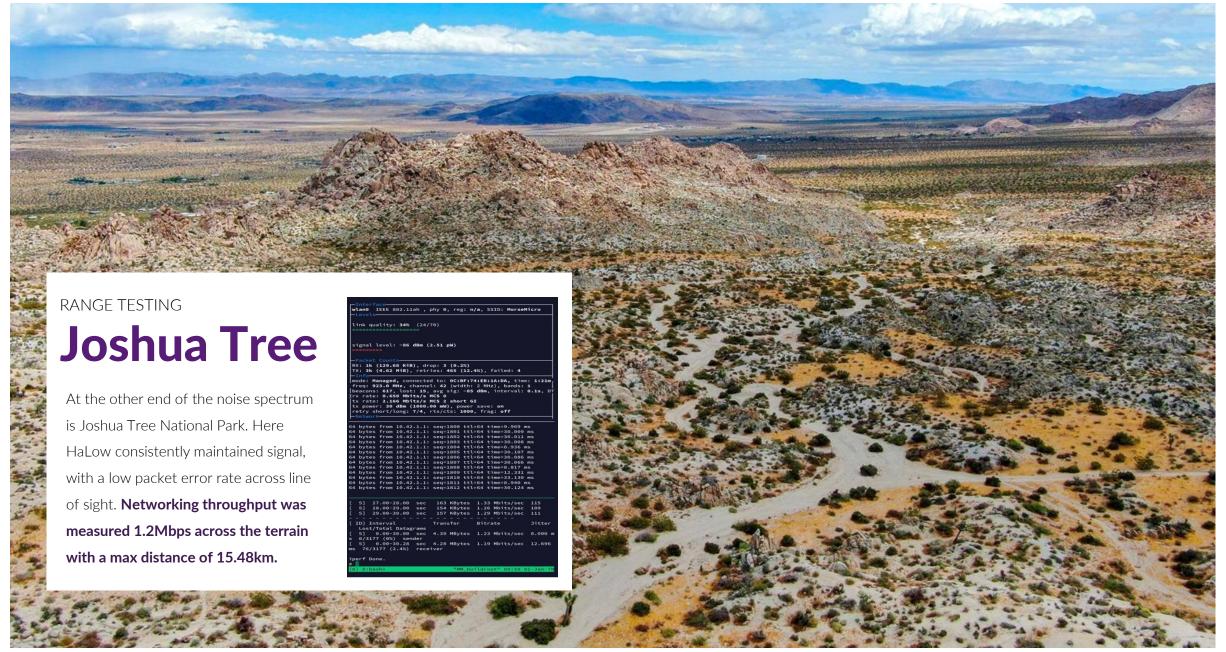




## IoT technology comparison







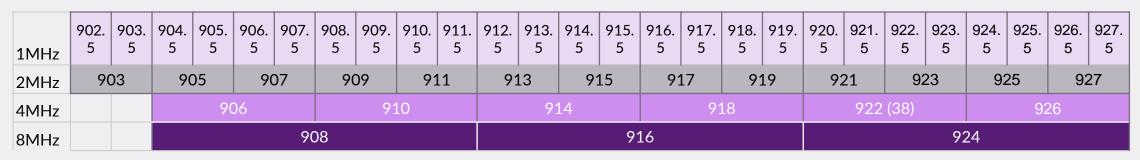
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## What are the Sub-1 GHz Wi-Fi HaLow frequencies?

Industrial, Scientific and Medical (ISM) bands, generally license-free in most parts of the world below 1 GHz.

- 902-928 MHz In USA and Many Other Countries
- 918-923 MHz in Vietnam

### **Channel Assignments / Channel Bandwidths**



26 MHz available in USA + most of ITU Region 2 (Americas)

Vietnam

AUSTRALIA (AU)/ NEW ZEALAND (NZ)

<sup>\*</sup>Subject to regulations within country of operation. Some include restrictions on channel bandwidth, duty cycle, and maximum output power



#### **Americas**

- United States (902-928 MHz)
- Canada (902-928 MHz)
- Mexico (902-928 MHz)
- Brazil (902-907.5 MHz and 915-928 MHz)
- Argentina (915-928 MHz)

### **Europe and Africa**

Many countries in Europe support the 863-868 MHz band. The 915.8-919.4 MHz band is being adopted over time as countries harmonize their spectrum with CEPT recommendations. African countries are just starting to adopt these bands.

#### **Asia Pacific**

- Australia (915-928 MHz)
- Japan (920.5-921.5 MHz and 922.5-927.5 MHz)
- Korea (917.5-923 MHz and 925-931 MHz)
- New Zealand (915-928 MHz)
- Singapore (920-925 MHz)
- Taiwan (920-925 MHz)
- Thailand (920-925 MHz)
- Vietnam (918-923 MHz)

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## Advantages of Wi-Fi HaLow

compared to Wi-Fi, Wi-Fi 6, LoRaWAN, and 5G

## **Benefits of Wi-Fi certified HaLow**

#### **Benefits:**



Long range: approximately 1km



Higher data rates for long range



Penetration through walls and other obstacles



Optimised for energy efficiency



Over 8,000 connected devices per access point



Improved reliability against noise and variable conditions



Robust Security WPA3, and Wi-Fi enhanced encryption



Easy to deploy alongside existing Wi-Fi



Lower cost setup and upkeep



Uses open international standards

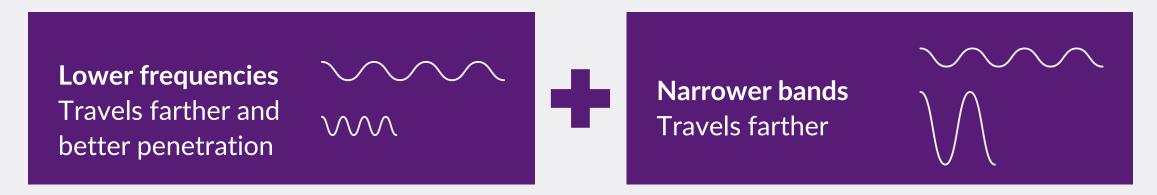
## Why does Wi-Fi HaLow have better reach?

Lower frequencies
Travels farther and better penetration

Narrower bands
Travels farther



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Wi-Fi HaLow

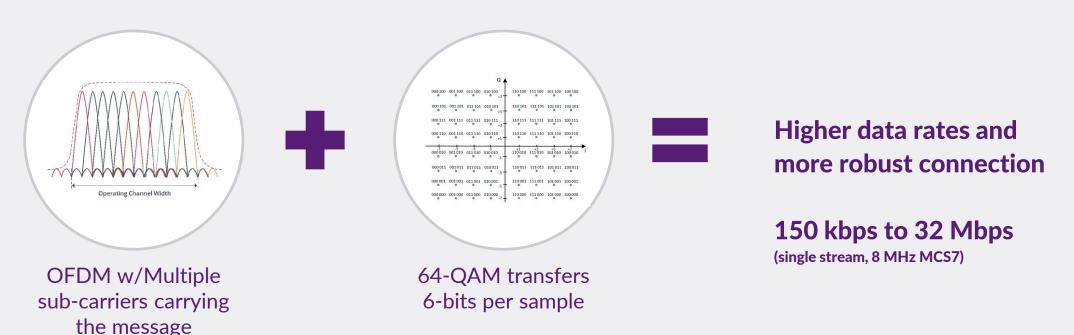
900MHz - 1km+



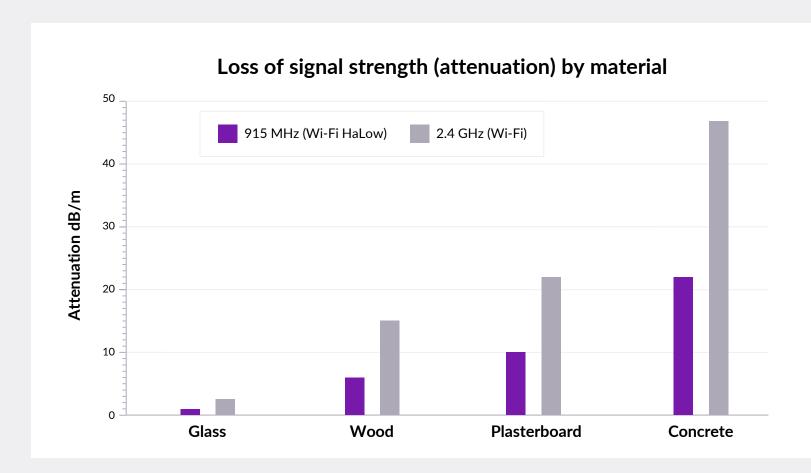
improves robustness

## Higher data rates over long distances

Wi-Fi HaLow combines OFDM modulation scheme of preceding generations of Wi-Fi, plus encoding techniques known as "BPSK, QPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM, 256-QAM" to yield much higher data rates and more robustness in the presence of noise than simple FSK or ChirpSpreadSpectrum radios.



## **Less Attenuation = Better Penetration**

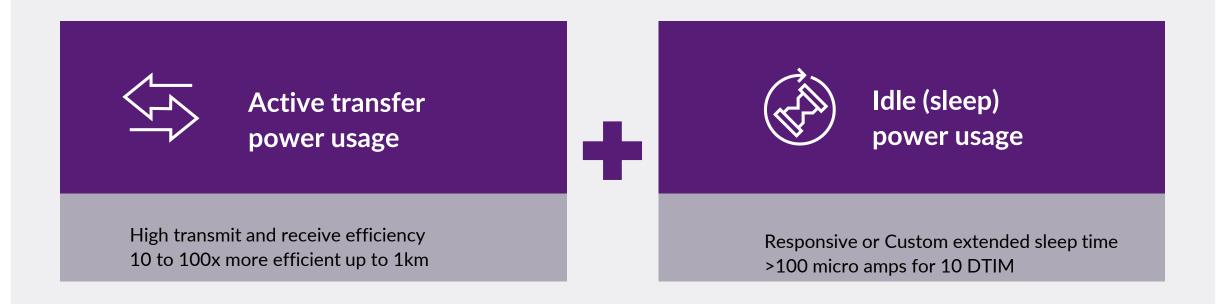




of
915 MHz Wi-Fi
HaLow penetrates
through materials
better than 2.4
GHz and higher
frequencies

Source: Ofcom, "Building Materials and Propagation Final Report". Dr Richard Rudd, Dr Ken Craig, Dr Martin Ganley, Richard Hartless. September 14, 2014. <a href="https://www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/technology/general/building-materials">https://www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/technology/general/building-materials</a>

## Morse Micro HaLow has layered Power Efficiency



## Wi-Fi HaLow Enables High-Density Networks

8,191
Unique Stations

Through a single access point (AP)





Increase
efficiency by
Leveraging
TWT and RAW



Broadcast, Multicast and Unicast traffic



Quality of Service (QOS) support



BSS Coloring to prevent overlap

## Wi-Fi HaLow Improves Reliability

Morse Micro's Wi-Fi HaLow utilises all the best practices to ensure reliable connectivity

#### Radio

- Sub-1 Ghz stays connected at farther distances than other 2.4 Ghz and higher frequency technologies (Wi-Fi, BLE, Zigbee)
- Better penetration through walls, trees, people, moving objects as conditions change

#### Phy

- OFDM + built-in Forward Error Correction (FEC)
- Narrow bandwidth extends range advantage
- Special MCS10 mode used to gain 3 dB link budget

#### **MAC**

- All the benefits of traditional Wi-Fi using Listen Before Talk (LBT) to prevent collisions
- Acknowledgements (ACKs)
- Continuous monitoring of Packet Error Rates (PER), signal strengths, SNRs for Automatic Rate Controls (ARC)
- Agile support for Sub-channel operation if conditions change (eg. Drop to 4 MHz or 2 MHz within 8 MHz mode)

#### TCP/IP and UDP/IP

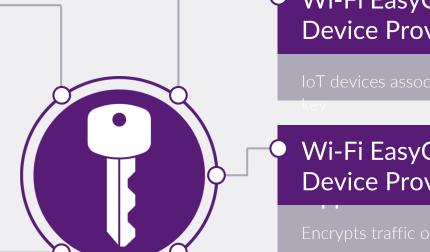
- Native IP technology can utilize time-tested techniques such as TCP (acknowledgments of received packets and order)
- Supports session-oriented connections from cloud to Station
- TLS connections to trusted platform in the cloud



## Wi-Fi HaLow Has Robust Security

### WPA3-Personal

### WPA3-Enterprise



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Additional encryption capacity

## Wi-Fi HaLow is Easy to Deploy and Use

## Wi-Fi HaLow is Wi-Fi It's easy to use

Step 1) Turn on Wi-Fi HaLow AP

**Step 2)** Connect Wi-Fi HaLow Stations



Same network management tools can be used as for Home, Enterprise and Industrial IoT solutions



Green-Fields overlay: No conflicts with existing Wi-Fi 4/5/6/6e/7 site plans for home, office or factory

### Lower cost of IoT Devices



License-free RF bands, no subscriptions to cellular network SIM card plans or fees



Energy efficiency of Wi-Fi HaLow vs. cellular or low-throughput devices; longer battery life w/less hardware overhead



As easy a scanning a QR code

## Greater coverage with fewer Access Points (APs)



Fewer Wi-Fi HaLow APs needed Vs. short-range 2.4 Ghz Wi-Fi or Zigbee, BT/BLE/Thread



Better penetration means one AP can span floors and pass through structures



No reliance on MESH

## **Lower Cost of Setup and Upkeep for IoT**



### Lower setup expense



## Lower ongoing expenses and upkeep

vs Wi-Fi (2.4 - 5Ghz)

HaLow AP offers 100x area, 1000x volume of traditional Wi-Fi for IoT devices = less AP's required to cover a given area vs 5G

lower module cost and base station cost (for private) vs CAT1/NB-IoT

no recurring costs for data plans

vs Private 5G

no recurring costs for 5G Private radio rental or spectrum purchase vs repeaters, hubs, and meshes

reduce network complexity, increase reliability and lower operating cost

## **International Standards**

Morse Micro's Wi-Fi HaLow uses open international standards to ensure interoperability

**Ethernet** – IEEE 802.3 standards for wired local area networks (LAN)

**Wi-Fi** – IEEE 802.11 standards for wireless local area networks (WLAN)

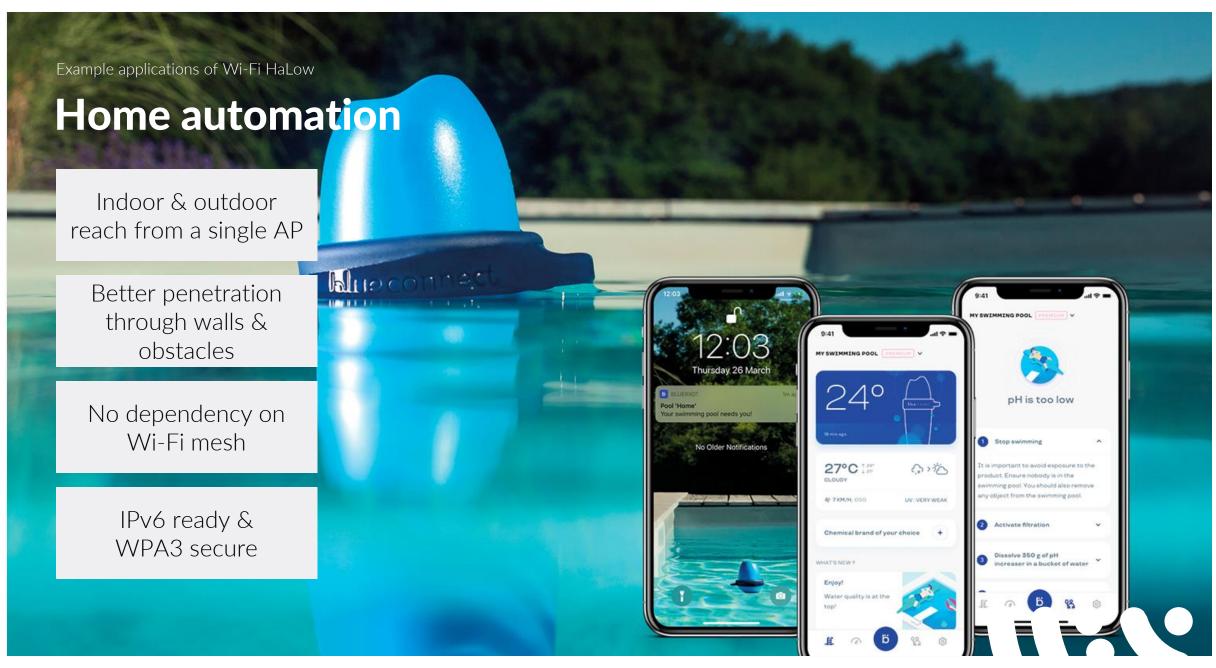
**TCP/IP** – Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) global standards for routing internet packets

WPA3, EasyMesh, EasyConnect, EnhancedOpen – Wi-Fi Alliance standards for security and interoperability

IEEE 802.11ah is an international Wi-Fi standard which contemplates Radio, Phy, and Media Access Control (MAC), and **natively supports IP packet routing** to the cloud

# 03

# **Example applications** of Wi-Fi HaLow





Outdoor reach for yard connectivity

WPA3 secure & IPv6 ready

Address up to 8,191 STAs per AP





## Video connectivity

Ultra-low power consumption

>100x area coverage

8-MHz bandwidth suitable for HD video

Better penetration through walls



Example applications of Wi-Fi HaLow

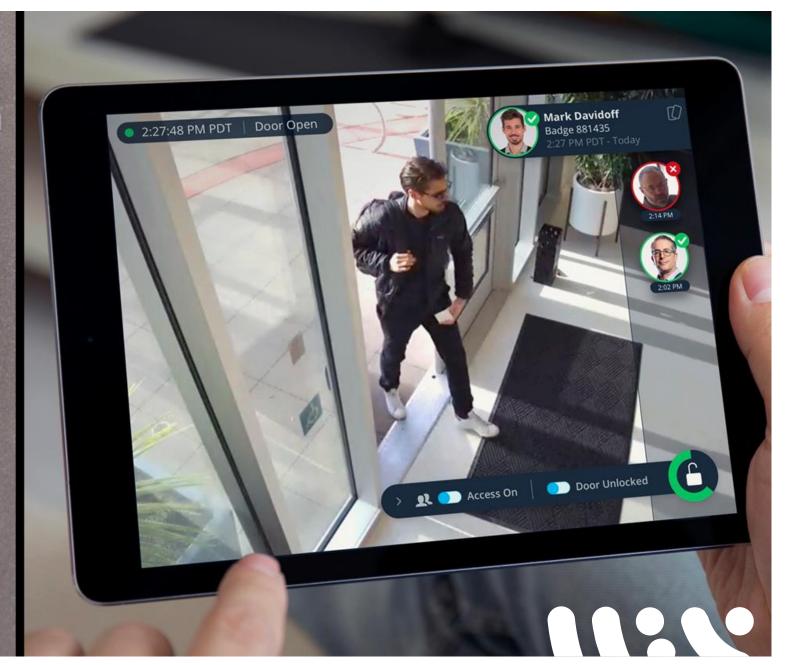
## **Building automation**

Whole building coverage

Simplified infrastructure

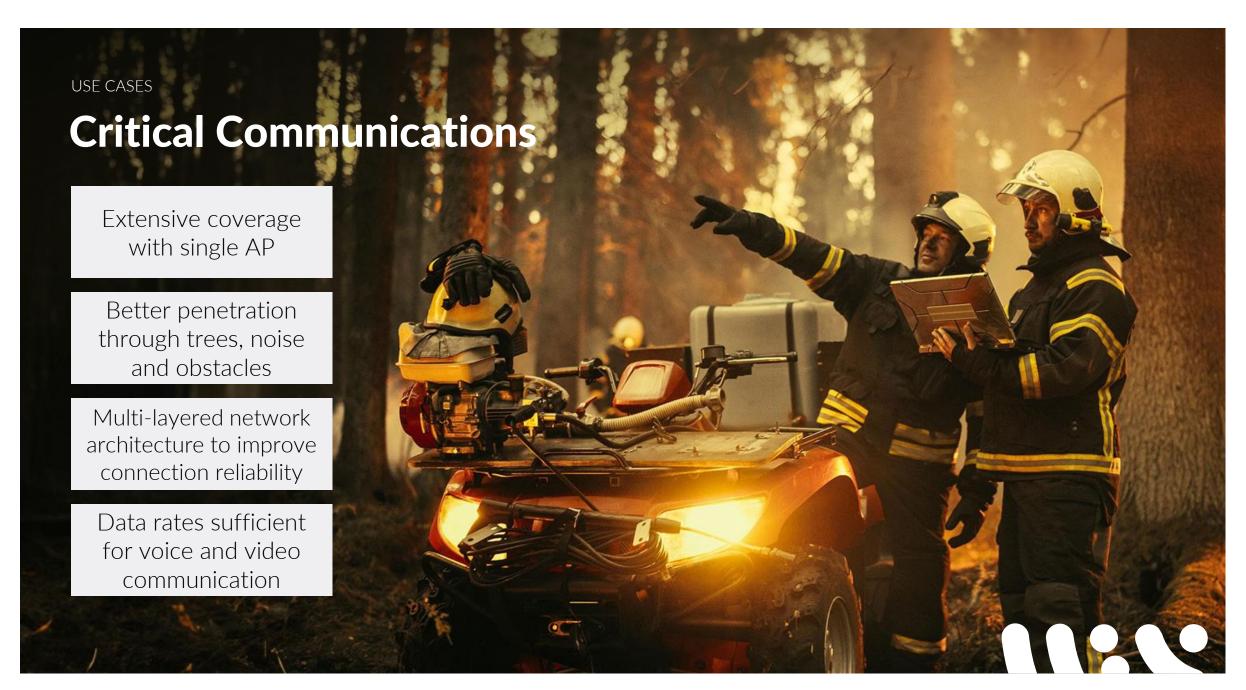
Better penetration through walls & floors

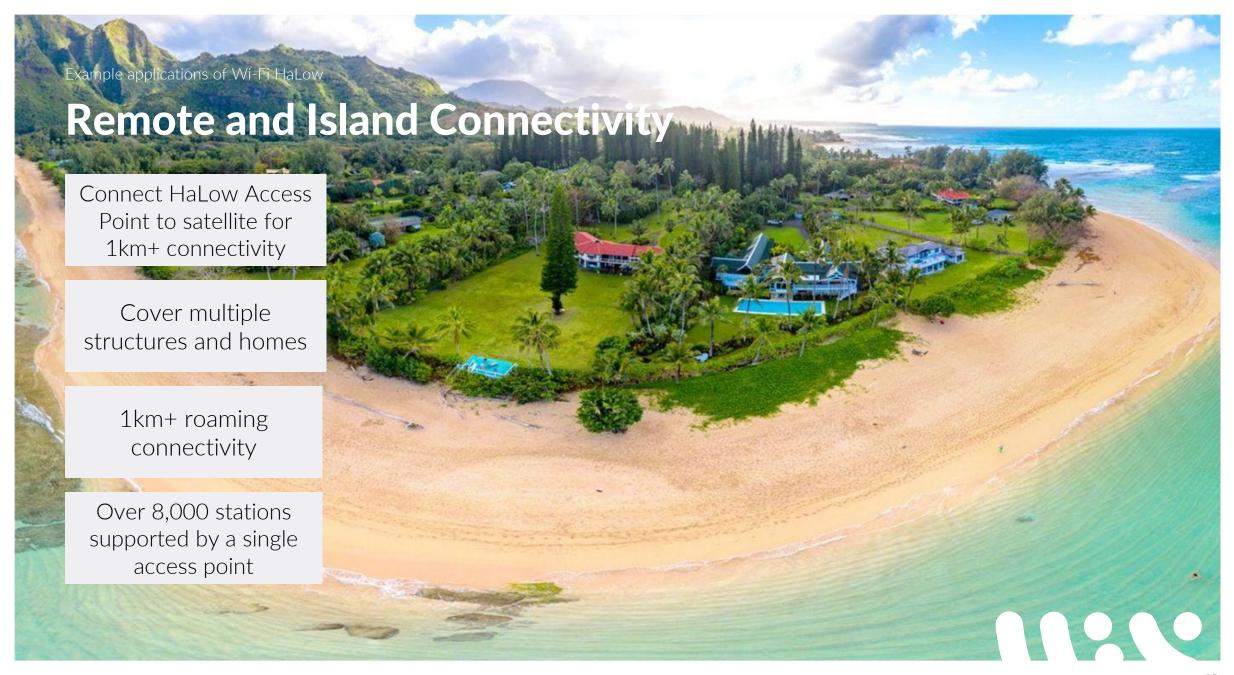
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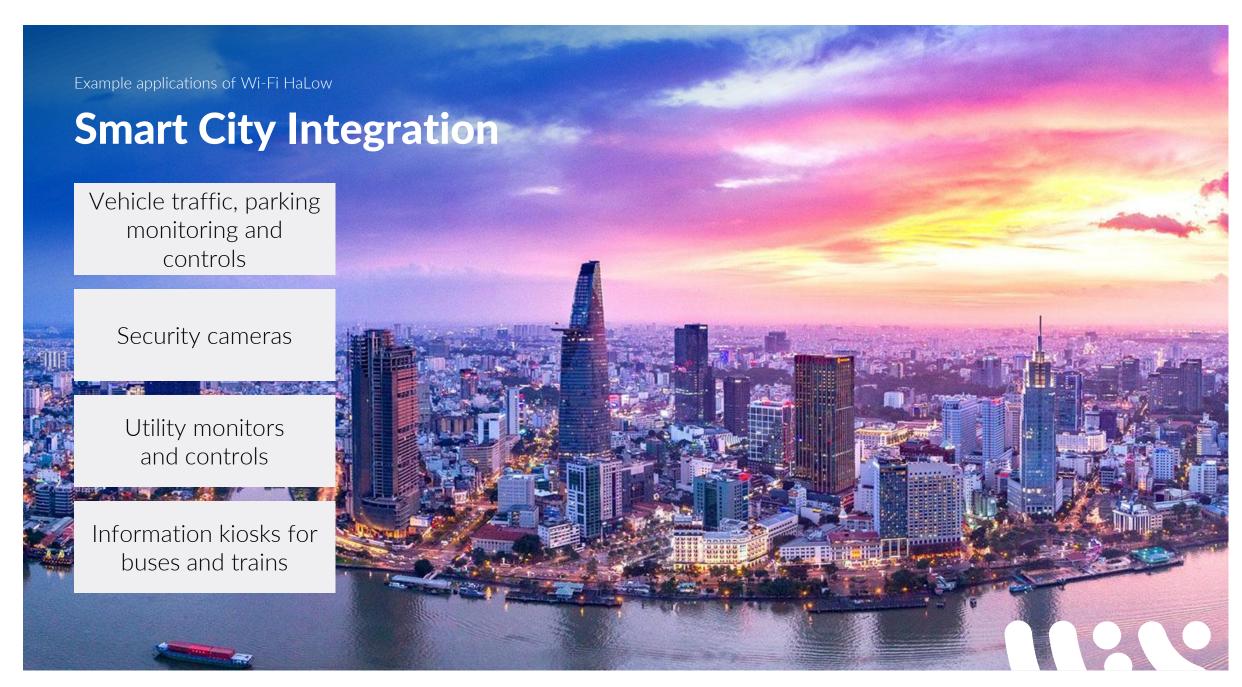












# 04

# How to apply Wi-Fi HaLow in IoT solutions



# Building the Wi-Fi HaLow Global Ecosystem



## Module



### **ODM**



## **OEM**



**ISP** 

Wireless module vendors integrate Morse Micro's MM6108 chip simplifying system design and accelerating regulatory compliance ODMs integrate
MM6108 modules and
chip down designs to
create products
accelerating OEM
adoption

OEMs apply their brand and software to ODM products and their own hardware delivering innovation to consumers and enterprise ISPs adopt Wi-Fi HaLow in their nextgeneration gateways

## **Module Partners**

Module ODM partners already manufacturing Wi-Fi HaLow modules based on Morse Micro's MM6108 microchip, and leveraging FCC-certified reference designs. These modules are compliant with IEEE 802.11ah and Wi-Fi HaLow. Operations in 850–950MHz bands with 1/2/4/8MHz channel width.



#### P/N: AW-HM581

- LGA module, 44-pins
- Dimension:13x13x2.1 mm
- Host I/F: SDIO/SPI
- Sample: Now

#### P/N: AW-HM593

- Stamp module, 34-pins
- Dimension: 14x18.5x2.25 mm
- Host I/F: SDIO/SPI
- Sample: Now

## **Asia**RF

#### P/N: MM610X-001

- Stamp module, 43-pins
- Dimension: 22x17x2.0 mm
- Host I/F: SDIO/SPI
- Sample: Now

#### P/N: MM610x-MF08

- LGA module
- Dimension: 14x18.5x2.25 mm



#### P/N: FGH100M

- LGA module, 44-pins
- Dimension: 13x13x2.2 mm
- Host I/F: SDIO/SPI
- Sample: Now



#### P/N: SX-SDMAH

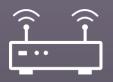
- LGA module, 60-pins
- Dimension: 18x17x2.65 mm
- Host I/F: SDIO/SPI
- Sample: Now





Wi-Fi HaLow Applications

## We are enabling Tier-1 OEMs to build HaLow products in the following verticals



Mesh Access Point



Consumer video



Enterprise security



Point-of-Sale



Enterprise gateway



Drone



Home garage gates



Warehouse roller doors



RFID tags



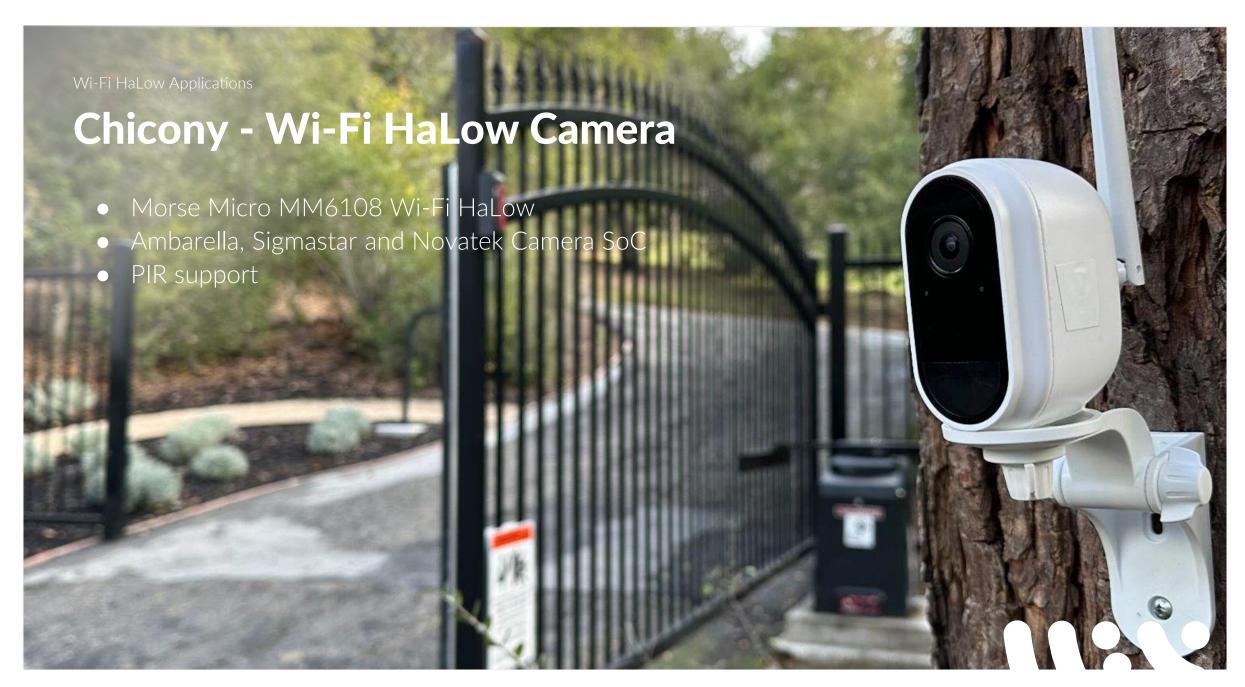
Yellow gear comms



Tractor / vehicle Wi-Fi



Intercom video



## We are also working with ISPs in the US, Philippines, Japan and Australia



#### **UNITED STATES**

Working with ISPs to bundle in video cameras to increase stickiness of the ISP service



**PHILIPPINES** 

Trials with 800 units in the field providing internet access to small islands



**JAPAN** 

Working with major ISPs to integrate into their home router



**AUSTRALIA** 

Working with ISPs that are evaluating our technology

## **About Morse Micro**

#### **Morse Micro Team**

- Wi-Fi HaLow market leader
- World-class team of 160+ Wi-Fi chip experts including extensive field support team
- Over \$140MUSD Funding

#### Wi-Fi HaLow Silicon

- Smallest, fastest & lowest power
   Wi-Fi HaLow chip in the world
- Partnering with Module Vendors to Enable FCC certified Wi-Fi CERTIFIED HaLow<sup>™</sup> modules



## Platforms at a glance



#### MM6108-EKH01

Wi-Fi Halow RPi-Hat + RPi + Enclosure



### MM6108-EKH08-01

Wi-Fi HaLow Shield + STMicro STM32WB55RG



#### MM6108-EKH04

Wi-Fi HaLow Router / USB Adapter / Ethernet Adapter



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