


The Internet of Things

Data



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This Talk Will Be Heresy

ps: it's not about things at all



How it started*

Project SunSPOT^[1]

Sun Labs

Started in 2003

First 32-bit IoT Developer

Platform

802.15.4 Radios

IPv6

Nothing to store the data

Anatomy of a Sun SPOT



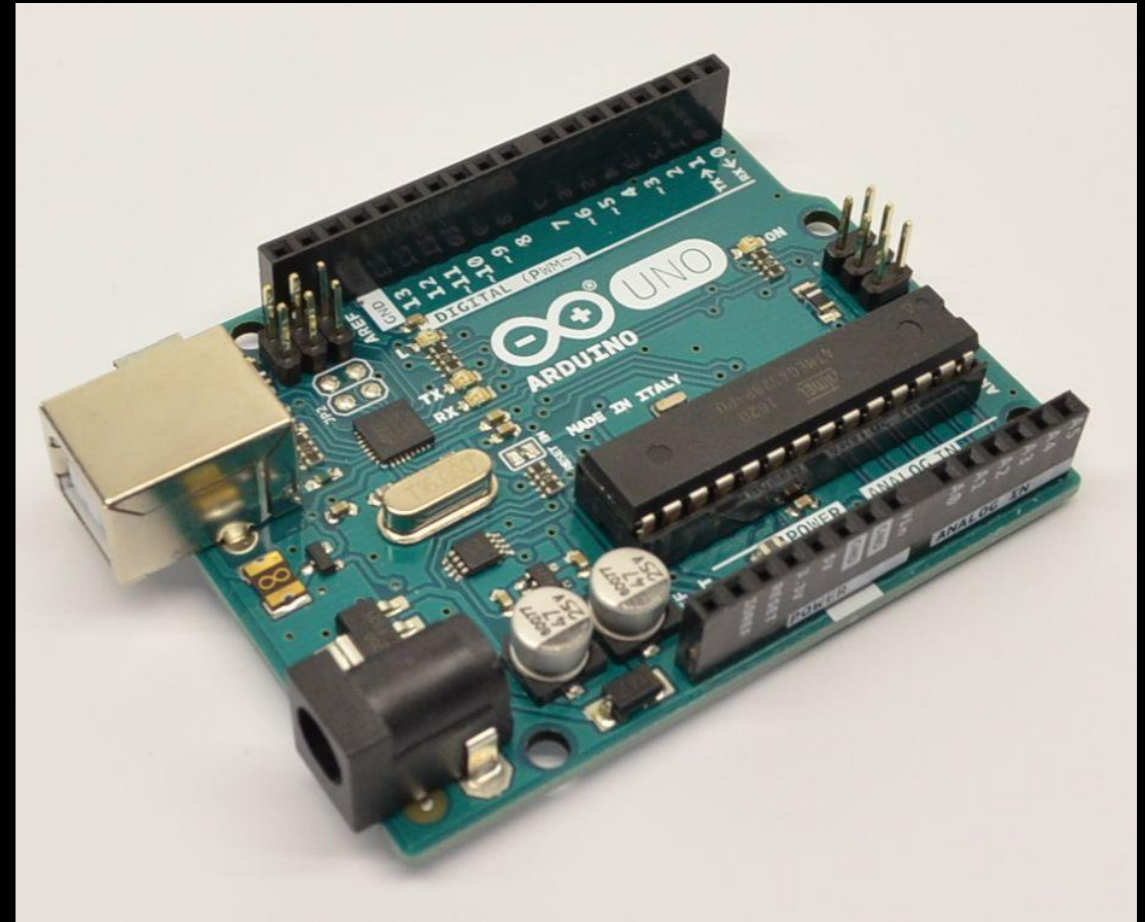
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Next Came Arduino

8-bit MCUs
No Networking
Released in 2007
Not 32-bit until 2012



A Protocol History?

802.11:	1997
802.15.4:	2003
Zigbee:	2003
BLE:	2004
LoRaWAN:	2015



In the Beginning

- ◆ The Internet of Things
- ◆ All about the 'Things'
- ◆ Data was secondary



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Why are we doing this?

- ★ Collect data
- ★ React to data
- ★ Model systems
- ★ Make Digital Twins



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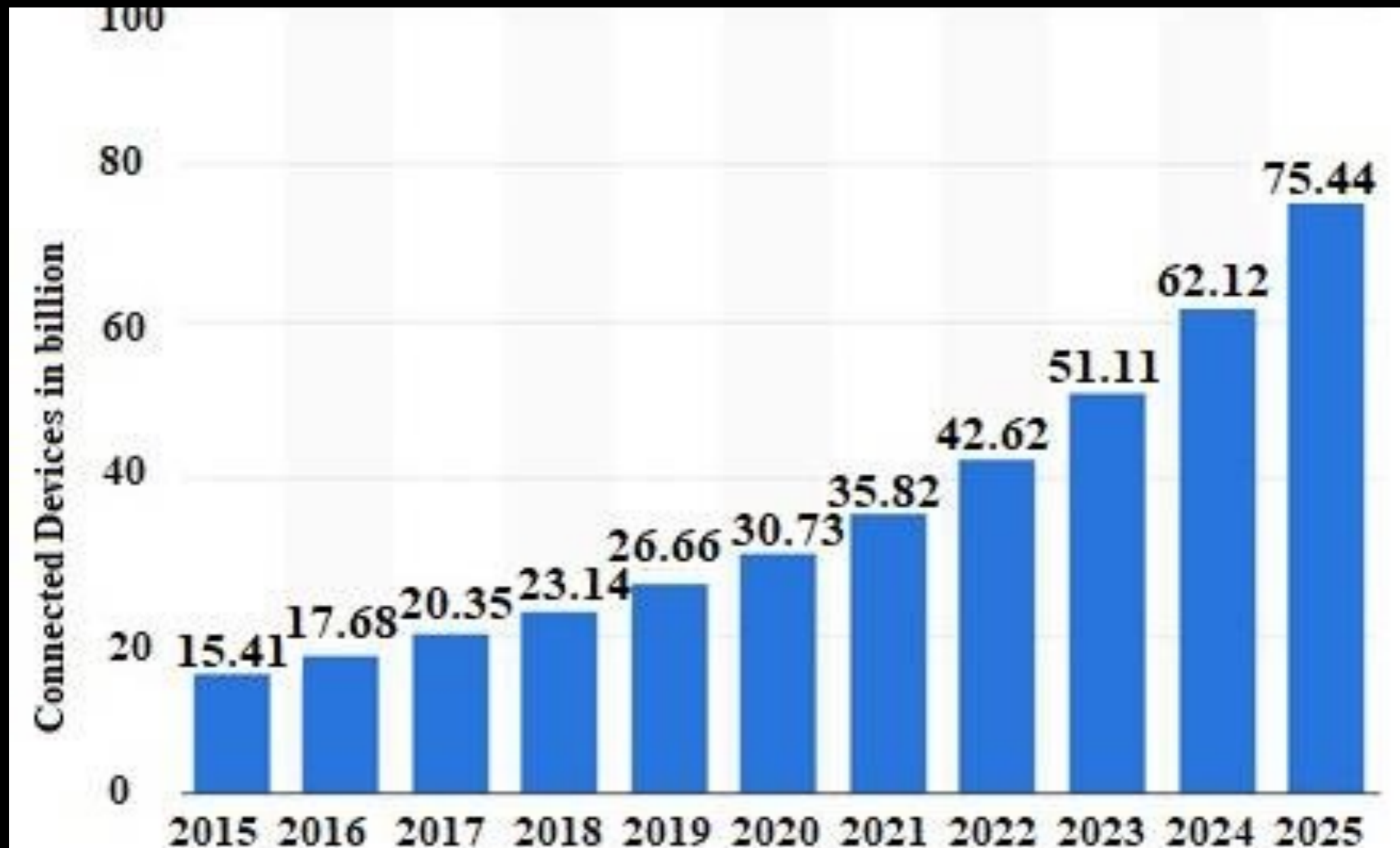
Billions of Things

- ◆ 20 Billion things?
- ◆ 100 Billion things?
- ◆ Depends on whom you ask, and when
- ◆ Still all about the things



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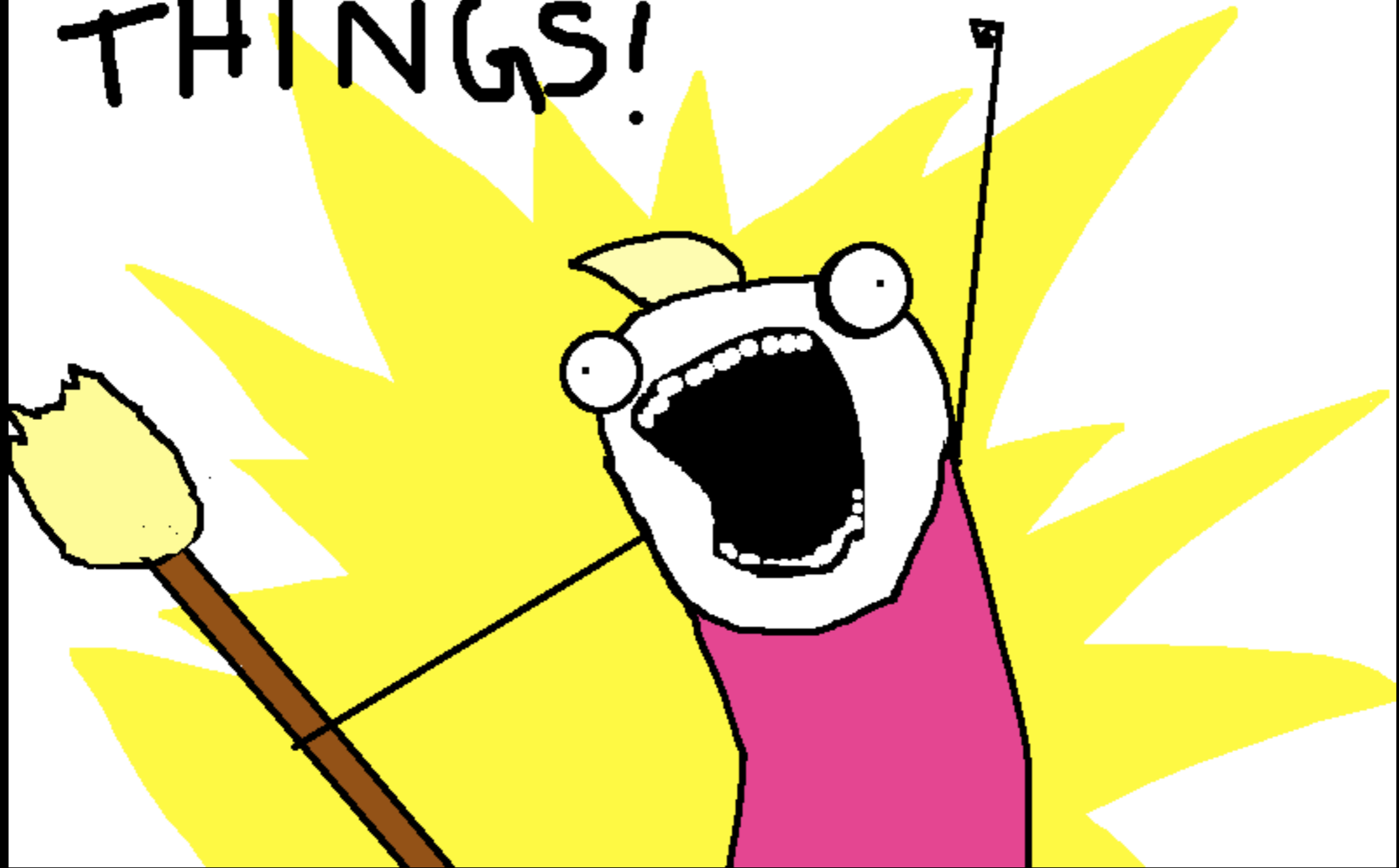




All The Things^[2]



ALL THE
THINGS!



But the Data!

Let's Do Some Maths

75 billion things

10 bytes of data per thing

Every minute, of every hour of every day

750,000,000,000 bytes/minute

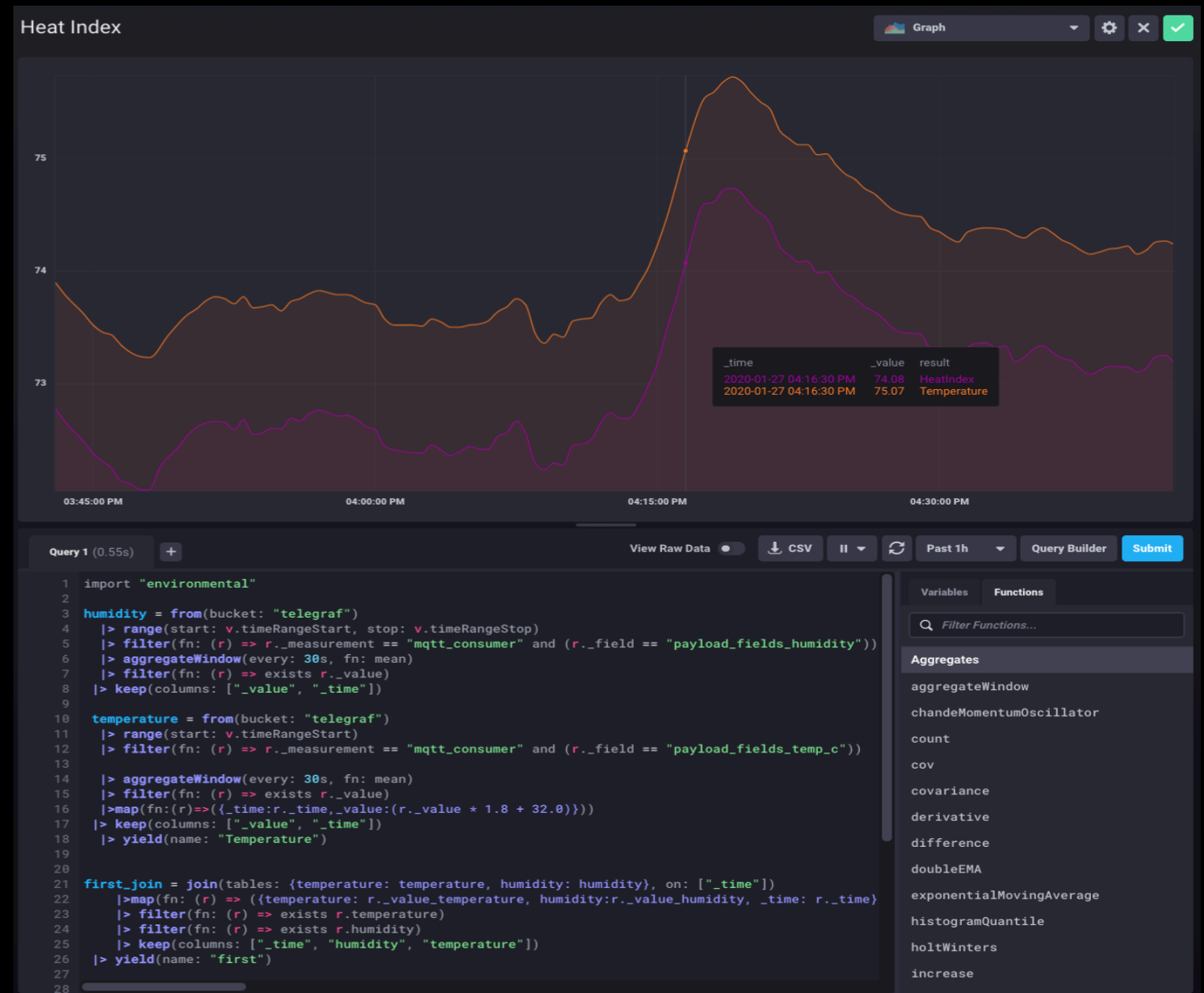
750 GB/minute

1 PB/day



It's no longer about the Things

Collect
Analyze
Interpret
Visualize
React
Store
Expire
Remove





Heresy!!!!

I told you so



Manage The Data

Managing the data will
become as big an issue
as managing the devices

Remember, 1PB/day!



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Data First Things Second

Start with the answers
you're looking for
Move to the data you'll
need to get those
answers

Finish with the devices
you need to get that data

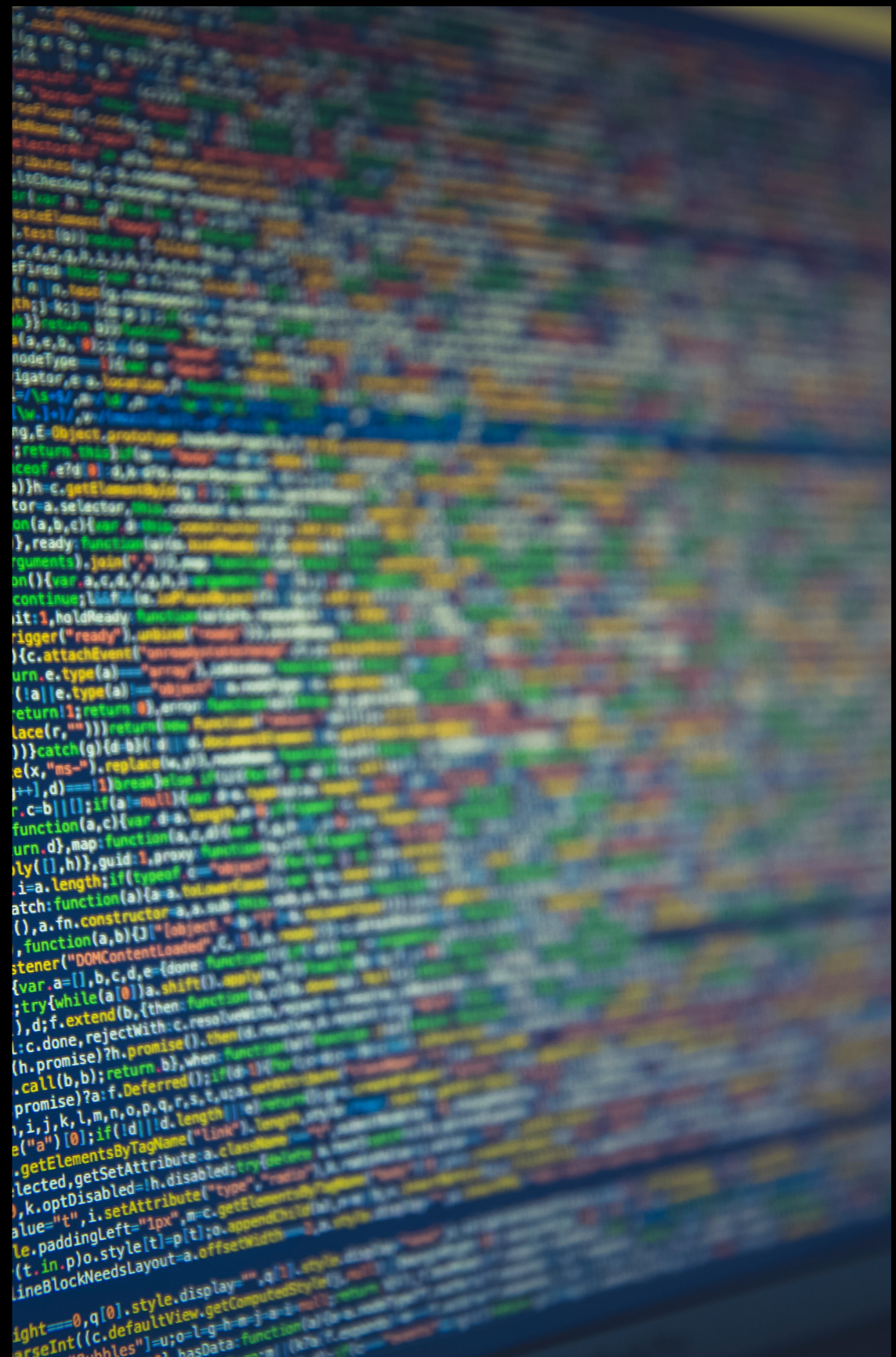


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Remember ...

- ✦ It's about the data, not the Things
- ✦ It's about what you *do* with the data, not just about collecting it
 - ✦ Data must be actionable to be useful
- ✦ It's about managing the data after you collect it



It's the Internet of Data



Thank You!

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