

INTERNET OF THINGS CAPSTONE PROJECT: HOTDOG

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PROJECT HOTDOG REQUIREMENTS





- A wearable (collar based) safety device for pets to warn when the Heat Index starts to approach dangerous levels
- Solicit help from neglectful owners and passers-by when a pet is in a dangerous situation
 - For example: locked in a car
- Fully mobile & independent solution to protect pets while in a car and not at home (e.g. no wifi)
- Waterproof and wearable on a collar but yet still visible enough to indicate when a dangerous situation is present

STATISTICS & MARKET POTENTIAL

- A dog can succumb to Heat Stroke in under 10 minutes in a vehicle
 - Temperatures (Heat Index) can quickly rise 20 to 30 degrees within a car even with the windows rolled down
- No official statistics are kept of dogs injured or dead because of Heat Stroke
 - News is still littered with stories every year
- Estimated 70 80 million dogs owned in the U.S.
- Appx. 37% 47% of all households have at least one dog
- Pet owners spent \$60.28 Billion on products in 2015
 - 32% was spent on Pet Supplies and Services, continues to grow
 4% annually

• How much would you spend to ensure the safety of your pet??

INGREDIENTS

Particle Electron w/Breadboard

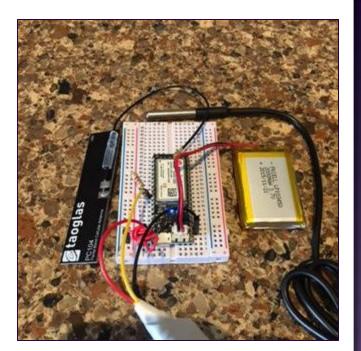
- Particle SIM Card
- Cellular Antenna
- 2000mAh 3.7V LiPo Battery (rechargeable)

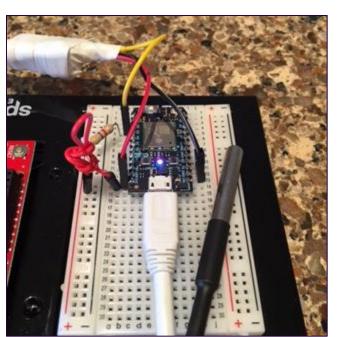
Sensors

- DS18B20 Waterproof Temperature Sensor
- 4.7k Resistors
- Various Jumpers

Extras - Optional

- Particle Photon (instead)
- External RGB LED (e.g. NeoPixel)
- Piezo Buzzer
- Humidity Sensor
- Various Jumpers and Resistors





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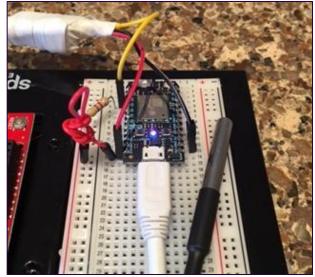
HOW IT WORKS

Temperature & Humidity sensor data is collected

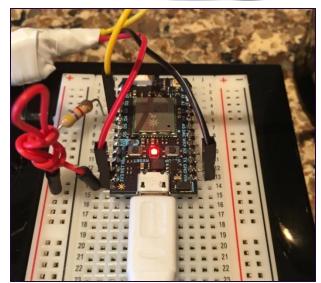
- Heat Index is calculated and threat levels are determined
 - Alert conditions are identified
 - External events can also trigger alerts

Feedback is Generated

- RGB LED's are set from Heat Index threat levels
 - Sliding color/intensity scale from Blue to Red
- Data is published via Webhooks
- SMS Text messages are sent to owner(s) for Alert conditions
- Activity is governed to minimize battery drawdown

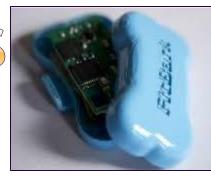






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FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS



Hardware

- Continue to shrink the form factor & components to make it wearable
- Develop a waterproof shell to contain the components
- Develop a recharging port for the battery

Software

- Improve algorithm to conserve power & data by controlling battery and publishing intervals
- Expand the functionality of the cellular interface (geolocation)
- Tie the data being generated into IBM's BlueMix Suite
- Refine the external inputs (Weather Data)

Mobile App

- Make it beautiful, elegant and clean
- Expand to support "Chilly Dog"



