

FIRST STEPS WITH DECENTLAB LoRa ambient sensor

TTN

The sensor can be seen from a TTN gateway

The screenshot shows the TTN Console Gateway Traffic page for a specific gateway. The page displays a table of traffic events, with the first event being a 'Join Request' from a LoRa sensor. The sensor's Dev EUI is 70 B3 D5 7B A0 00 0E EE and its App EUI is 70 B3 D5 7E D0 00 06 B2. The physical payload is 00 B2 06 00 D0 7E D5 B3 70 EE 00 00 A0 7B D5 B3 70 AF 36 2C A7 64 1C. The event data is shown in a JSON format, including the gateway ID, payload, dev_eui, app_eui, spreading_factor, bandwidth, air_time, coding_rate, timestamp, and rssi.

time	frequency	mod.	CR	data rate	airtime (ms)	cnt	app_eui	dev_eui
16:08:30	868.3	4/5	SF 11 BW 125	823.3			70 B3 D5 7E D0 00 06 B2	70 B3 D5 7B A0 00 0E EE

Join Request

Dev EUI

70 B3 D5 7B A0 00 0E EE

App EUI

70 B3 D5 7E D0 00 06 B2

Physical Payload

00 B2 06 00 D0 7E D5 B3 70 EE 00 00 A0 7B D5 B3 70 AF 36 2C A7 64 1C

Event Data

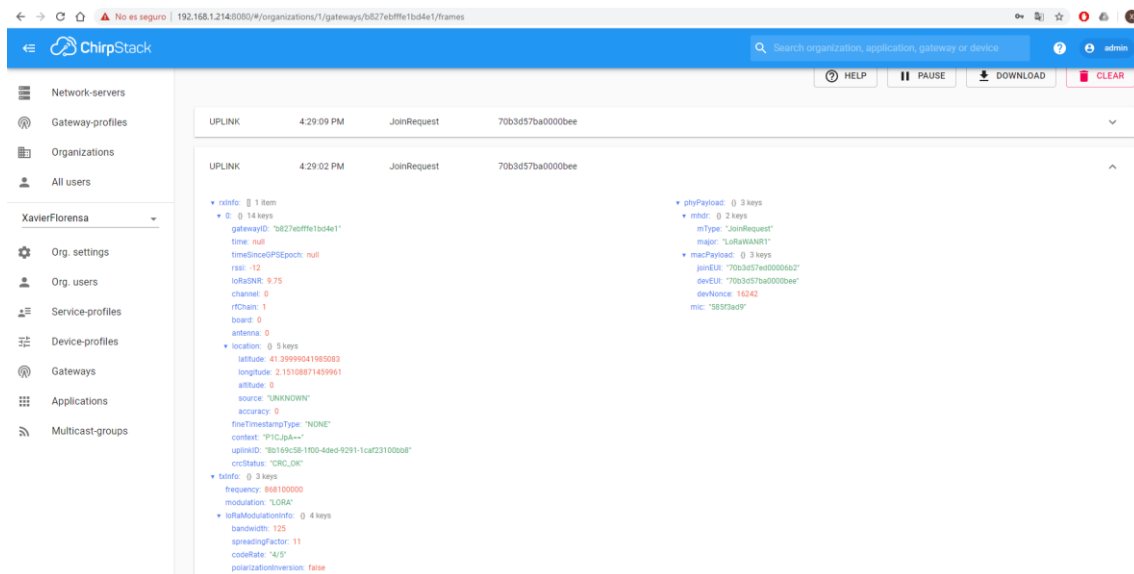
```
1 {
2   "gw_id": "eui-58a0cbffe80175a",
3   "payload": "ALIGANB+1bNw7gsAcHVs3cVniynZBw=",
4   "dev_eui": "70B3D57BA0000EE",
5   "lorawan": {
6     "spreading_factor": 11,
7     "bandwidth": 125,
8     "air_time": 823296000
9   },
10  "coding_rate": "4/5",
11  "timestamp": "2020-02-24T15:08:30.314Z",
12  "rssi": -29,
13  "snr": 10.5,
14  "app_eui": "70B3D57ED00006B2",
15  "frequency": 868300000
16 }
```

15:58:39 868.1 4/5 SF 11 BW 125 823.3 app_eui: 70 B3 D5 7E D0 00 06 B2 dev_eui: 70 B3 D5 7B A0 00 0E EE

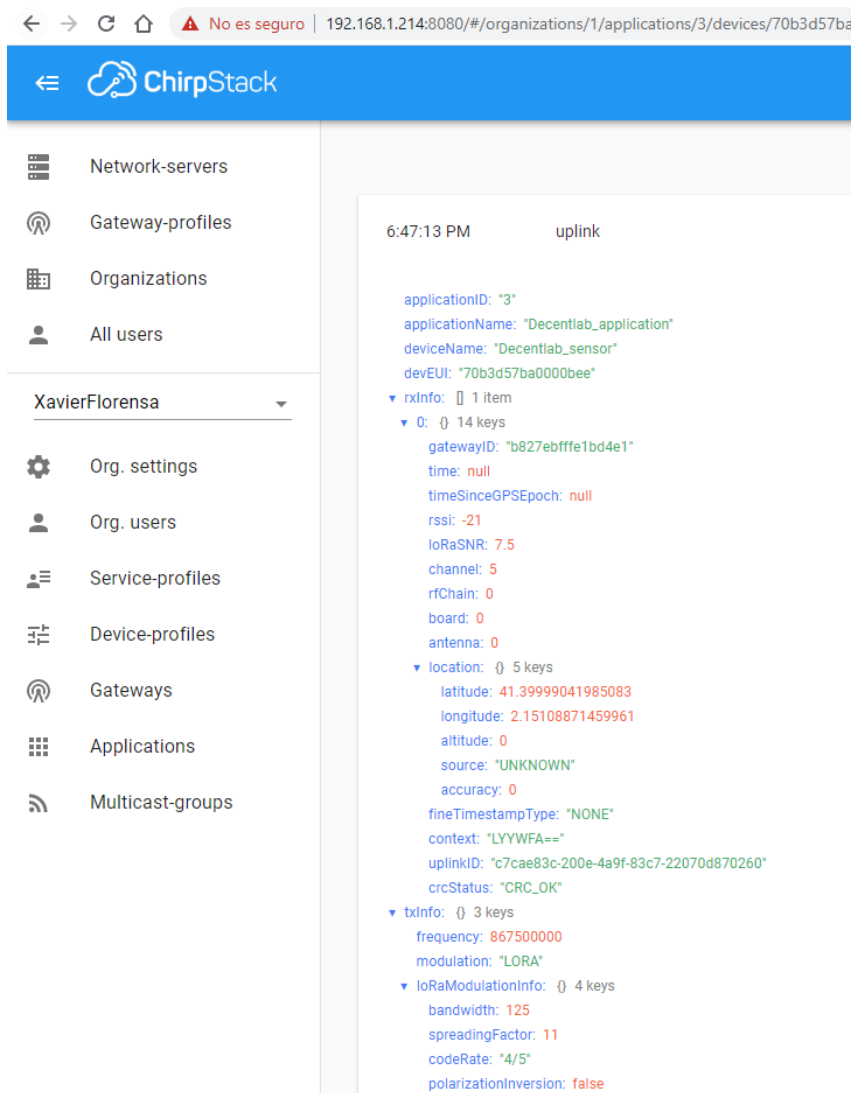
15:58:32 868.3 4/5 SF 11 BW 125 823.3 app_eui: 70 B3 D5 7E D0 00 06 B2 dev_eui: 70 B3 D5 7B A0 00 0E EE

LoRa Server

The sensor is seen by a LoRa server Gateway



Let's build an application to retrieve the data



```
polarizationInversion: false
adr: true
dr: 1
fCnt: 2
fPort: 1
data: "AgvuAH8JpWO6dNDEQAHTAEeEFgAAjBQBTAAT"
objectJSON: ""
tags: {} 0 keys
```

6:37:09 PM

status

On the application we get the data "AgvuAH8JpWO6dNDEQAHTAEeEFgAAjBQBTAAT"

The screenshot shows the Node-RED web interface. On the left, the 'input' palette contains various nodes. In the center workspace, a 'CATSENSORS ambient' node is connected to a 'msg payload' node. The 'debug' console on the right displays a series of log messages. The most recent message is a JSON object representing an MQTT message payload, with the 'data' field highlighted in yellow:

```
{
  "applicationID": "3",
  "applicationName": "Decentlab_application",
  "deviceName": "Decentlab_sensor",
  "devEUI": "70b3d57ba006",
  "gatewayID": "b827ebfffe1bd4e1",
  "uplinkID": "c7cae83c-2006-4a9f-83c7-22b76d876260",
  "name": "Rak4610BakV",
  "rssi": -21,
  "location": {
    "latitude": 41.39999041989083,
    "longitude": 2.15108871459961,
    "altitude": 0
  },
  "txInfo": {
    "frequency": 867500000,
    "dr": 1,
    "adr": true,
    "fCnt": 2,
    "fPort": 1,
    "data": "AgvuAH8JpWO6dNDEQAHTAEeEFgAAjBQBTAAT"
  }
}
```

Let's subscribe to the MQTT broker on the gateway

```
mosquitto_sub -v -t "#" -h localhost -p 1883
```

On node-red, with MQTT we get the data "AgvuAH8JpWO6dNDEQAHTAEeEFgAAjBQBTAAT"

27 bytes decoded

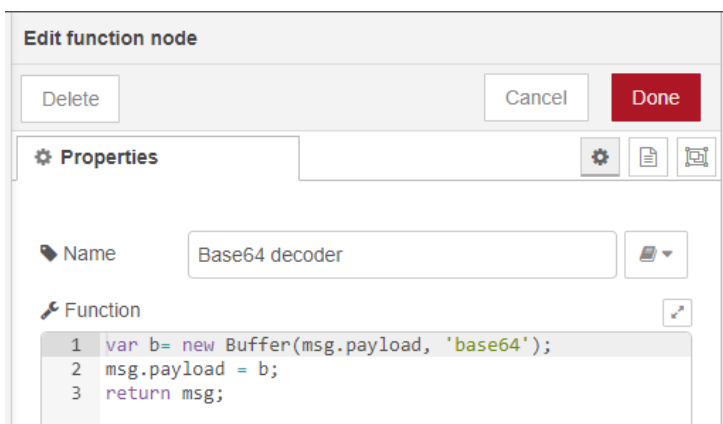
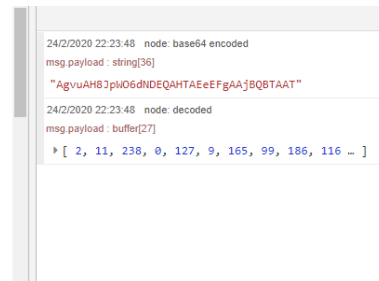
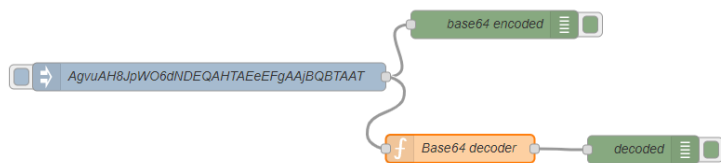
We have to take 2 bytes and then groups of 4 bytes

EXAMPLE 1 (ALL SENSOR DATA INCLUDED)

Message (hex):

020bbd007f0b926a515d48bc4e0262006981c7000093d4000b0111

02	Version	=	2	
0bbd	Device ID	=	3005	
007f	Flags	=	0b0000000001111111	
0b92	Battery voltage	=	2.96	V
6a51	Air temperature	=	27.68	deg
5d48	Air humidity	=	36.44	%
bc4e	Barometric pressure	=	96412	Pa
0262	Ambient light CH0	=	610	
0069	Ambient light CH1	=	105	
81c7	CO2 concentration	=	455	ppm
0000	CO2 sensor status	=	0	
93d4	Raw IR reading	=	37844	
000b	PIR activity counter	=	11	
0111	Gas sensor: total VOC	=	273	ppb
	Illuminance	=	679	lx



If we open the content of the array we see the data of the example

Node-RED interface showing a flow with a Base64 decoder node and a debug console. The flow starts with an inject node, followed by a Base64 decoder node, which then branches into a version node and a device id node. The debug console shows the decoded payload as a buffer of 27 bytes.

```

24/2/2020 22:48:47 node: base64 encoded
msg.payload: string[36]
"AgvuAH8JpW06dNDEQAHTAEeFgAAJBQ8TAAT"
24/2/2020 22:48:47 node: decoded
msg.payload: buffer[27]
▼ buffer[27] row
▼ [0 .. 9]
0: 0x2
1: 0xb
2: 0xee
3: 0x0
4: 0x7f
5: 0x9
6: 0xa5
7: 0x63
8: 0xba
9: 0x74
▼ [10 .. 19]
10: 0xd0
11: 0xc4
12: 0x40
13: 0x1
14: 0xd3
15: 0x0
16: 0x47
17: 0x84
18: 0x16
19: 0x0
▼ [20 .. 26]

```

There must be something wrong in decoding

Node-RED interface showing a flow with a Base64 decoder node and a debug console. The flow starts with an inject node, followed by a Base64 decoder node, which then branches into a version node, a device id node, a flags node, a battery voltage node, and an air temperature node. The debug console shows the decoded payload as a buffer of 27 bytes, with the version, device id, battery voltage, and flags nodes outputting their respective values.

```

24/2/2020 23:22:26 node: base64 encoded
msg.payload: string[36]
"AgvuAH8JpW06dNDEQAHTAEeFgAAJBQ8TAAT"
24/2/2020 23:22:26 node: decoded
msg.payload: buffer[27]
▼ buffer[27] row
▼ [0 .. 9]
0: 0x2
1: 0xb
2: 0xee
3: 0x0
4: 0x7f
5: 0x9
6: 0xa5
7: 0x63
8: 0xba
9: 0x74
▼ [10 .. 19]
▼ [20 .. 26]
24/2/2020 23:22:26 node: version
msg.payload: number
2
24/2/2020 23:22:26 node: device id
msg.payload: number
60939
24/2/2020 23:22:26 node: battery voltage
msg.payload: number
42.249
24/2/2020 23:22:26 node: flags
msg.payload: number
32512
24/2/2020 23:22:26 node: battery voltage
msg.payload: number
82.41474021515221

```

Edit function node dialog showing the properties and function code for the 'device id' node.

Properties

Name: device id

Function:

```

1 msg.payload = msg.payload.readUInt16LE(1)
2 return msg;
3

```

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

📁 Name

flags

📄 ▼

🔑 Function

1

msg.payload = msg.payload.readUInt16LE(3)

2

return msg;

3

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

📁 Name

battery voltage

📄 ▼

🔑 Function

1

msg.payload = msg.payload.readUInt16LE(5)/1000

2

return msg;

3

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

📁 Name

air temperature

📄 ▼

🔑 Function

1

msg.payload = ((msg.payload.readUInt16LE(7))*175)/65535-45;

2

return msg;

3

THE RIGHT DECODING

The screenshot shows a Node-RED flow in the 'Flow 2' workspace. The flow starts with an 'inject' node connected to a 'msg payload' output. This output is connected to a 'Parse to json' node. The 'Parse to json' node has multiple outputs, each connected to a function node (f) and then to a corresponding 'msg payload' output. The function nodes are: 'battery voltage', 'air temperature', 'air humidity', 'barometric pressure', 'ambient_light_ch0', 'ambient_light_ch1', 'co2 concentration', 'co2_sensor_status', 'Raw_IR_reading', 'PIR_activity_counter', and 'Gas_sensor_total_VOC'. The 'debug' console on the right shows the output of the flow, including a JSON object with version, device_id, flags, battery_voltage, and air_temperature.

Edit inject node

Delete Cancel Done

Properties

Payload

Topic

☐ Inject once after seconds, then

Repeat

Name

Note: "interval between times" and "at a specific time" will use cron.
"interval" should be 596 hours or less.
See info box for details.

debug

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▼

all nodes

26/2/2020 20:28:09 node: 10e40c4b.2dff64
msg.payload : string[54]
"020bbd007f0b926a515d48bc4e0262006981c7000093d4000b0111"

26/2/2020 20:28:09 node: 1f0ab43b.e4299c
msg.payload : Object
▼ object
version: "02"
devide_id: "0bbd"
flags: "007f"
battery_voltage: "0b92"
air_temperature: "6a51"
air_humidity: "5d48"
barometric_pressure: "bc4e"
ambient_light_CH0: "0262"
ambient_light_CH1: "0069"
co2_concentration: "81c7"
co2_sensor_status: "0000"
Raw_IR_reading: "93d4"
PIR_activity_counter: "000b"
Gas_sensor_total_VOC: "0111"

26/2/2020 20:28:09 node: air temperature
msg.payload : number
27.67833981841764

26/2/2020 20:28:09 node: battery voltage
msg.payload : number
2.962

26/2/2020 20:28:09 node: air humidity
msg.payload : number
36.438544289311054

26/2/2020 20:28:09 node: barometric_pressure
msg.payload : number
96412

26/2/2020 20:28:09 node: ambient_light_ch0

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties



🔑 Name

Parse to Json



🔧 Function



```
i 1 let m = msg.payload
i 2 let version = m.substr(0,2)
i 3 let device_id = m.substr(2,4)
i 4 let flags = m.substr(6,4)
i 5 let battery_voltage = m.substr(10,4)
i 6 let air_temperature = m.substr(14,4)
i 7 let air_humidity = m.substr(18,4)
i 8 let barometric_pressure = m.substr(22,4)
i 9 let ambient_light_CH0 = m.substr(26,4)
i 10 let ambient_light_CH1 = m.substr(30,4)
i 11 let co2_concentration = m.substr(34,4)
i 12 let co2_sensor_status = m.substr(38,4)
i 13 let Raw_IR_reading = m.substr(42,4)
i 14 let PIR_activity_counter = m.substr(46,4)
i 15 let Gas_sensor_total_VOC = m.substr(50,4)
16 //etc...
17 return {payload:{version:version,
18   device_id:device_id,
19   flags:flags,
20   battery_voltage:battery_voltage,
21   air_temperature:air_temperature,
22   air_humidity:air_humidity,
23   barometric_pressure:barometric_pressure,
24   ambient_light_CH0:ambient_light_CH0,
25   ambient_light_CH1:ambient_light_CH1,
26   co2_concentration:co2_concentration,
27   co2_sensor_status:co2_sensor_status,
28   Raw_IR_reading:Raw_IR_reading,
29   PIR_activity_counter:PIR_activity_counter,
30   Gas_sensor_total_VOC:Gas_sensor_total_VOC
i 31 ^ }}
```

🔗 Outputs

1

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

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🔑 Name

battery voltage

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▼

🔧 Function

↗

1

var hex =msg.payload.battery_voltage

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)/1000

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

⚙

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🖼

🔑 Name

air_temperature

📄

▼

🔧 Function

↗

1

var hex =msg.payload.air_temperature

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)/65535* 175-45

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

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🔑 Name

air_humidity

📄

▼

🔧 Function

↗

1

var hex =msg.payload.air_humidity

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)/65535*100

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

⚙

📄

🖼

🔑 Name

barometric_pressure

📄 ▼

🔑 Function

🔗

1

var hex =msg.payload.barometric_pressure

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)*2

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

⚙

📄

🖼

🔑 Name

ambient_light_ch0

📄 ▼

🔑 Function

🔗

1

var hex =msg.payload.ambient_light_CH0

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙ Properties

⚙

📄

🖼

🔑 Name

ambient_light_ch1

📄 ▼

🔑 Function

🔗

1

var hex =msg.payload.ambient_light_CH1

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙️ Properties

⚙️

📄

🖨️

🔑 Name

co2_concentration

📋 ▼

🔧 Function

↗️

1

var hex =msg.payload.co2_concentration

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)-32768

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙️ Properties

⚙️

📄

🖨️

🔑 Name

co2_sensor_status

📋 ▼

🔧 Function

↗️

1

var hex =msg.payload.co2_sensor_status

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙️ Properties

⚙️

📄

🖼️

🔑 Name

Raw_IR_reading

📄

▼

🔧 Function

↗️

1

var hex =msg.payload.Raw_IR_reading

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙️ Properties

⚙️

📄

🖼️

🔑 Name

PIR_activity_counter

📄

▼

🔧 Function

↗️

1

var hex =msg.payload.PIR_activity_counter

2

var a = parseInt(hex, 16)

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;

Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

⚙️ Properties

⚙️

📄

🖼️

🔑 Name

Gas_sensor_total_VOC

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▼

🔧 Function

↗️

1

var hex =msg.payload.Gas_sensor_total_VOC

2

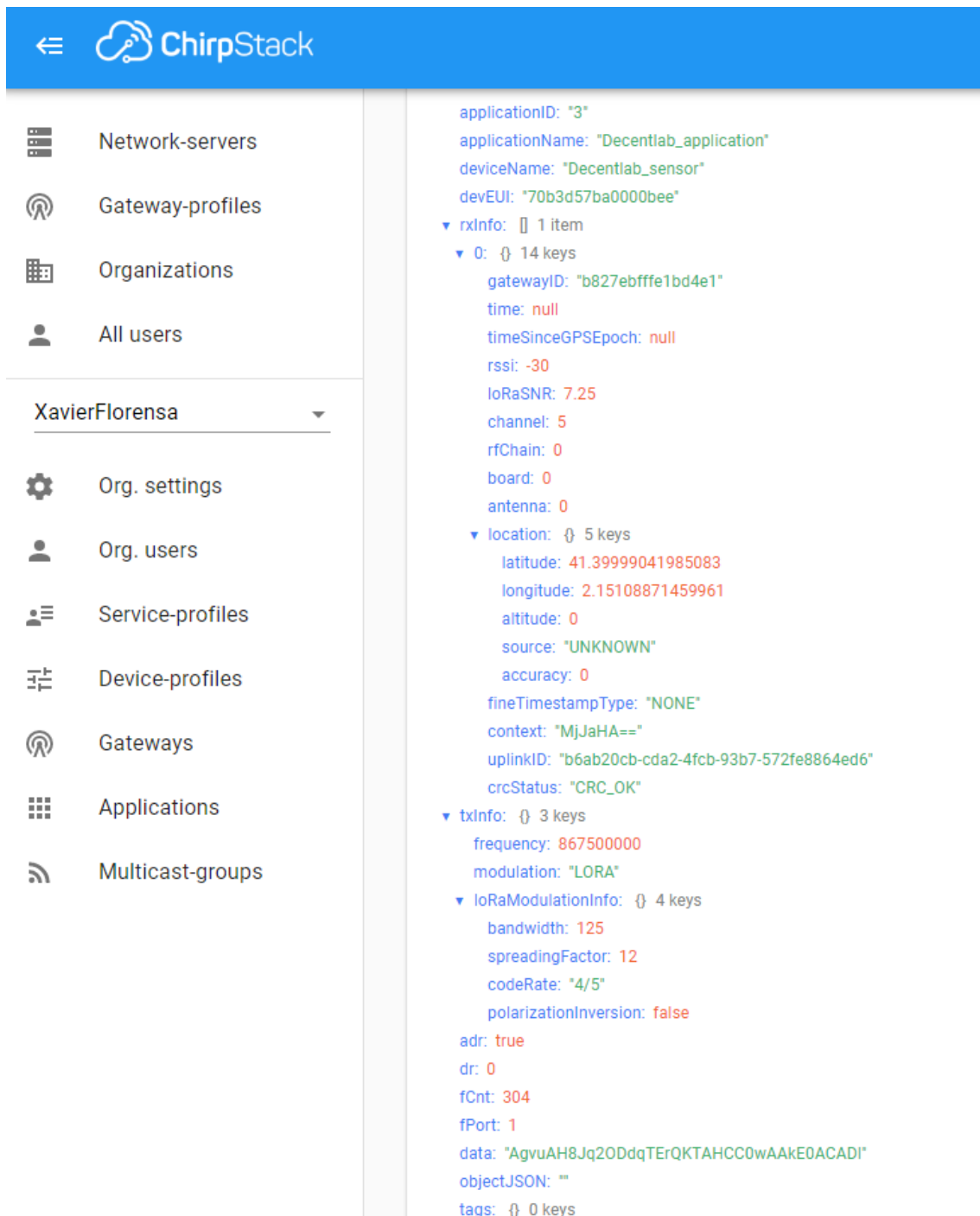
var a = parseInt(hex, 16)

3

msg.payload = a

4

return msg;



```
{
  "applicationID": "3",
  "applicationName": "Decentlab_application",
  "deviceName": "Decentlab_se",
  "nsor": "nsor",
  "devEUI": "70b3d57ba0000bee",
  "rxInfo": {
    "gatewayID": "b827ebfffe1bd4e1",
    "uplinkID": "b6ab20cb-cda2-4fcb-93b7-572fe8864ed6",
    "name": "RAKGATEWAY",
    "rssi": -30,
    "loRaSNR": 7.25,
    "location": {
      "latitude": 41.399999041985083,
      "longitude": 2.15108871459961,
      "altitude": 0
    },
    "txInfo": {
      "frequency": 867500000,
      "dr": 0,
      "adr": true,
      "fCnt": 304,
      "fPort": 1,
      "data": "AgvU AH8Jq2ODdqTErQKTAHCC0wAAkE0ACADl"
    }
  }
}
```

Let's see its format

```
{"applicationID":"3",
"applicationName":"Decentlab_application",
"deviceName":"Decentlab_sensor",
"devEUI":"70b3d57ba0000bee",
"rxInfo":
  [{"gatewayID":"b827ebfffe1bd4e1",
"uplinkID":"b6ab20cb-cda2-4fcb-93b7-572fe8864ed6",
"name":"RAKGATEWAY",
"rssi":30,
"loRaSNR":7.25,
"location":
  {"latitude":41.39999041985083,
"longitude":2.15108871459961,
"altitude":0}
}],
"txInfo":
  {"frequency":867500000,"dr":0},
"adr":true,"fCnt":304,
"fPort":1,
"data":"AgvuAH8Jq2ODdqTErQKTAHCC0wAAkE0ACADI"}
```

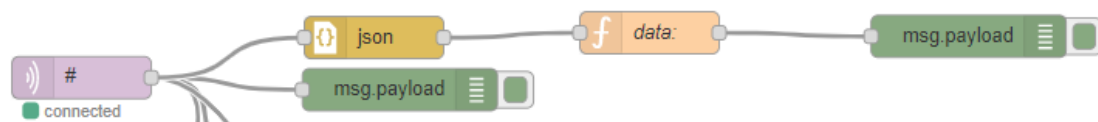
9:17:12 PM	uplink
9:07:06 PM	status
9:07:06 PM	uplink
<pre> applicationID: "3" applicationName: "Decentlab_application" deviceName: "Decentlab_sensor" devEUI: "70b3d57ba0000bee" ▶ rxInfo: [] 1 item ▶ txInfo: {} 3 keys adr: true dr: 0 fCnt: 304 fPort: 1 data: "AgyuAH8Jq2ODdqTErQKTAHCC0wAAkE0ACADI" objectJSON: "" tags: {} 0 keys </pre>	

8:57:13 PM uplink

How to decode data

We just use mqtt subscribe node

And we format to Javascript Object



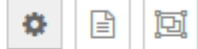
Edit mqtt in node


Delete

Cancel

Done

Properties




 Server

192.168.1.214:1883 ▼




 Topic


#

 QoS

2 ▼

 Output

auto-detect (string or buffer) ▼

 Name

Name

Edit json node

Delete

Cancel


Done

Properties



 Action

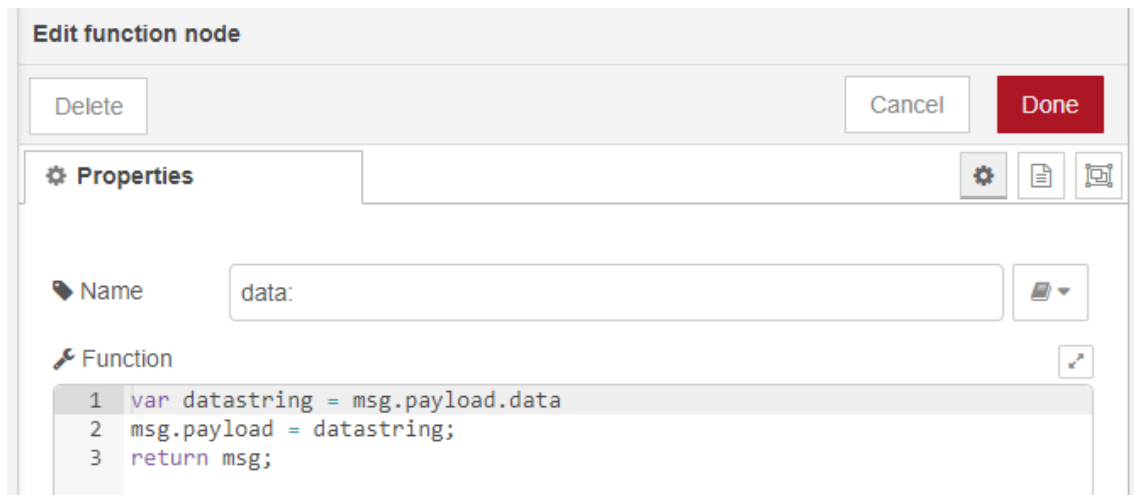
Always convert to JavaScript Object ▼

 Property

msg. payload

 Name

Name



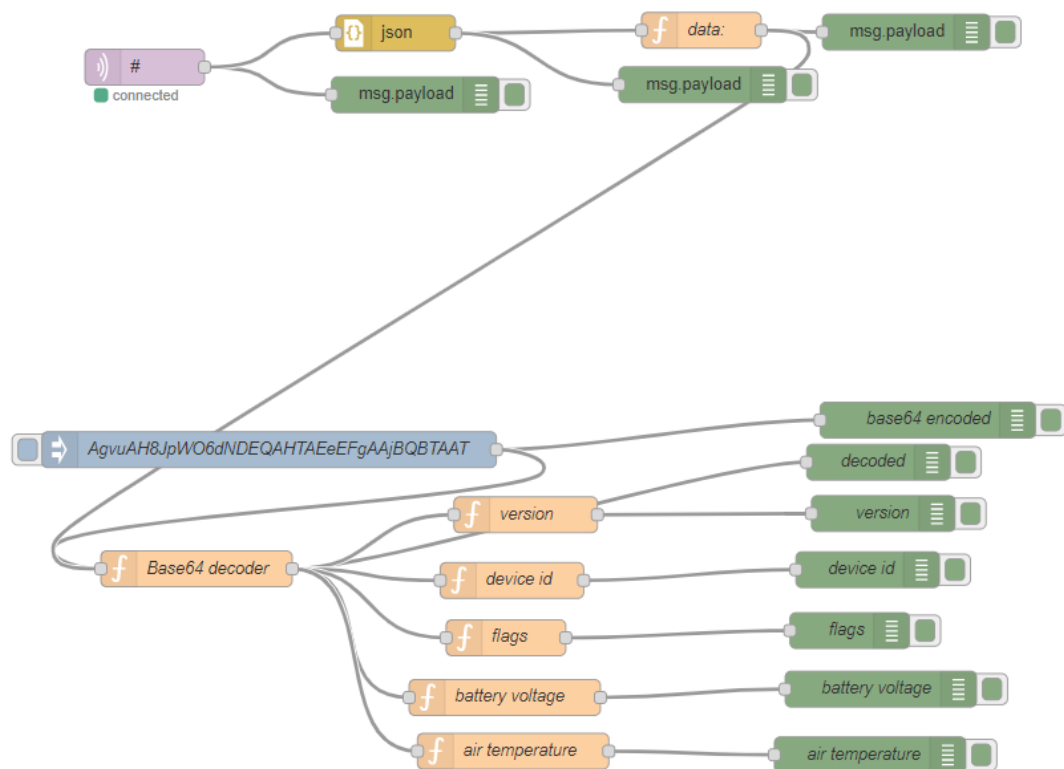
So we get

```
14/3/2020 13:34:00 node: 11466953.20bef7
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : Object
▼ object
  applicationID: "3"
  applicationName: "Decentlab_application"
  deviceName: "Decentlab_sensor"
  devEUI: "70b3d57ba0000bee"
  ▶ rxInfo: array[1]
  ▶ txInfo: object
    adr: true
    fCnt: 10
    fPort: 1
    data: "AgvuAH8JSW03eb7FHQB1AC2CNgAAkn4AAAEq"
```

And after the data: function

```
14/3/2020 13:43:51 node: 11466953.20bef7
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : string[36]
"AgvuAH8JSWP6eYvFGQBpACmCOAAkmCAAEEs"
```

We test with real received data



```

14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: b6025bcc.16da28
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : Object
▼ object
  applicationID: "3"
  applicationName: "Decentlab_application"
  deviceName: "Decentlab_sensor"
  devEUI: "70b3d57ba0000bee"
  ▶ rxInfo: array[1]
  ▶ txInfo: object
    adr: true
    fCnt: 13
    fPort: 1
    data: "AgvuAH8JSWQ/eWrFEAEBAF+CKwAAkoQAAAEt"
14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: 7d581385.2da35c
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : string[36]
"AgvuAH8JSWQ/eWrFEAEBAF+CKwAAkoQAAAEt"

```

If we decode the data from Base 64

14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: decoded

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : buffer[27]

▼ *buffer[27]* raw

▼ [0 ... 9]

0: 0x2

1: 0xb

2: 0xee

3: 0x0

4: 0x7f

5: 0x9

6: 0x49

7: 0x64

8: 0x3f

9: 0x79

► [10 ... 19]

► [20 ... 26]

14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: version

msg.payload : number

2

14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: device id

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

60939

14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: battery voltage

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

18.697

14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: flags

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

32512

14/3/2020 14:03:53 node: air temperature

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

-1.6659037155718295

We are not doing on the right way

Device id is 3054, not 60939

So let's change the decoding node

From

msg.payload = msg.payload.readUInt16LE(1)

```
return msg;
```

To

```
msg.payload = msg.payload.readUInt16BE(1)
```

```
return msg;
```

and it Works

```
14/3/2020 14:28:21 node: version
```

```
msg.payload : number
```

```
2
```

```
14/3/2020 14:28:21 node: device id
```

```
msg.payload : number
```

```
3054
```

```
14/3/2020 14:28:21 node: battery voltage
```

```
msg.payload : number
```

```
42.249
```

```
14/3/2020 14:28:21 node: flags
```

```
msg.payload : number
```

```
32512
```

```
14/3/2020 14:28:21 node: air temperature
```

```
msg.payload : number
```

```
82.41474021515221
```

What about the battery voltaje?

It is 2. volts, not 18.

Yes

Changing

```
msg.payload = msg.payload.readUInt16LE(5)/1000
```

```
return msg;
```

to

```
msg.payload = msg.payload.readUInt16BE(5)/1000
```

```
return msg;
```

14/3/2020 14:33:45 node: version

msg.payload : number

2

14/3/2020 14:33:45 node: device id

msg.payload : number

3054

14/3/2020 14:33:45 node: battery voltage

msg.payload : number

2.469

What about air temperature?

```
msg.payload = ((msg.payload.readUInt16BE(7))/65535)*175-45;
```

```
return msg;
```

14/3/2020 14:38:06 node: version

msg.payload : number

2

14/3/2020 14:38:06 node: device id

msg.payload : number

3054

14/3/2020 14:38:06 node: battery voltage

msg.payload : number

2.469

14/3/2020 14:38:06 node: flags

msg.payload : number

32512

14/3/2020 14:38:06 node: air temperature

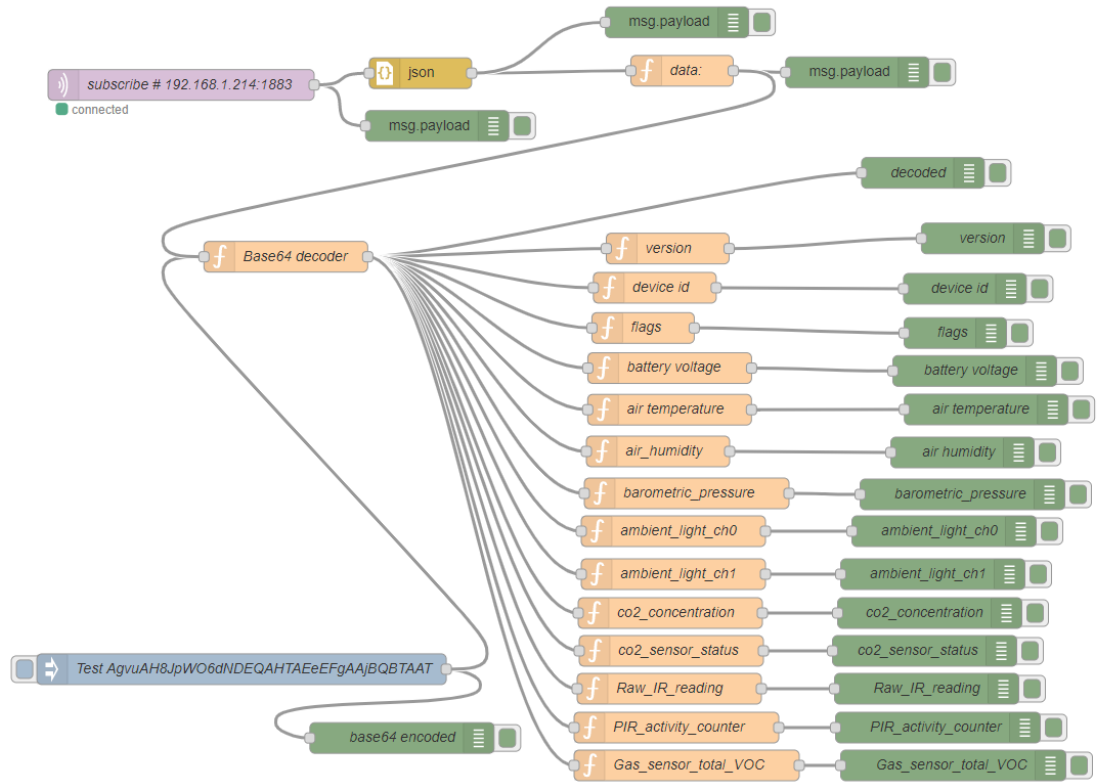
msg.payload : number

23.173495078965445

Let's build the complete decoding

14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: battery voltage
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
2.38	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: flags
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
32512	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: air temperature
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
24.30304417486839	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: air humidity
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
47.167162584878305	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: barometric_pressure
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
100876	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: ambient_light_ch0
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
74	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: ambient_light_ch1
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
18	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: co2_concentration
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
563	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: co2_sensor_status
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
0	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: Raw_IR_reading
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
37383	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: PIR_activity_counter
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number	
0	
14/3/2020 18:23:46	node: Gas sensor total VOC

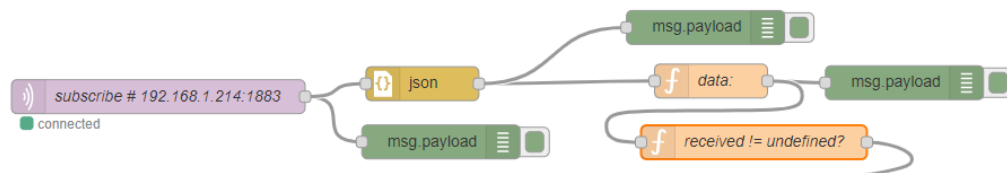
This is the receiver-decoder Flow



We are able to read the sensor data, but we still receive a lot of undesired communication ping data like

14/3/2020 18:34:09	node: 14b937e2.eefd28	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/command/down : msg.payload : buffer[89]	▶ [10, 17, 96, 213, 44, 190, 1, 133, 39, 0 ...]
14/3/2020 18:34:10	node: b6025bcc.16da28	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/command/down : msg.payload : buffer[89]	▶ [10, 17, 96, 213, 44, 190, 1, 133, 39, 0 ...]
14/3/2020 18:34:11	node: 7d581385.2da35c	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/command/down : msg.payload : undefined	undefined
14/3/2020 18:34:12	node: Base64 decoder	function : (error)	"TypeError [ERR_INVALID_ARG_TYPE]: The first argument must be one of type string, Buffer, ArrayBuffer, Array, or Array-like Object. Received type undefined"
14/3/2020 18:34:13	node: 14b937e2.eefd28	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/event/ack : msg.payload : buffer[32]	▶ [10, 8, 184, 39, 235, 255, 254, 27, 212, 225 ...]
14/3/2020 18:34:14	node: b6025bcc.16da28	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/event/ack : msg.payload : buffer[32]	▶ [10, 8, 184, 39, 235, 255, 254, 27, 212, 225 ...]
14/3/2020 18:34:15	node: 7d581385.2da35c	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/event/ack : msg.payload : undefined	undefined
14/3/2020 18:34:16	node: Base64 decoder	function : (error)	"TypeError [ERR_INVALID_ARG_TYPE]: The first argument must be one of type string, Buffer, ArrayBuffer, Array, or Array-like Object. Received type undefined"
14/3/2020 18:34:17	node: 14b937e2.eefd28	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/event/stats : msg.payload : buffer[50]	▶ [10, 8, 184, 39, 235, 255, 254, 27, 212, 225 ...]
14/3/2020 18:34:18	node: b6025bcc.16da28	gateway/b827ebffe1bd4e1/event/stats : msg.payload : buffer[50]	▶ [10, 8, 184, 39, 235, 255, 254, 27, 212, 225 ...]
14/3/2020 18:34:19	node: 7d581385.2da35c		

We can filter the results only to decode the object



Edit function node

Delete

Cancel

Done

Properties

Name

received != undefined?

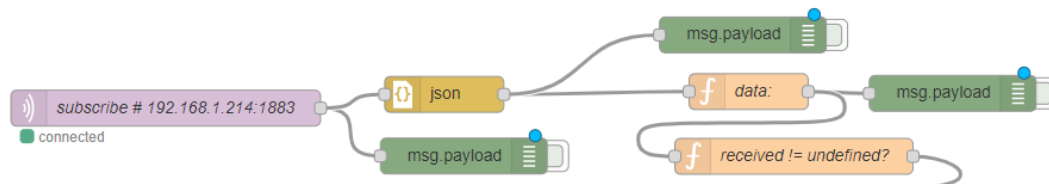
Function

1 ▾ if(typeof msg.payload !== 'undefined') {
2 return msg;
3 ▾ } else {
4 // return nothing
5 ^ }

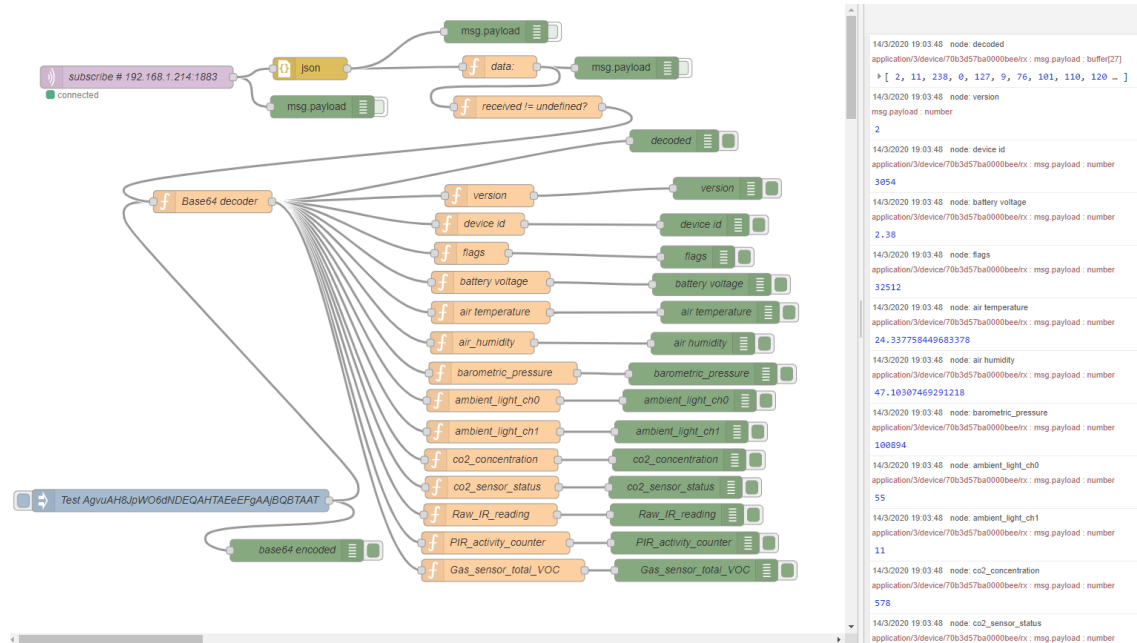
It Works!

msg.payload : number
2
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: device id
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
3054
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: battery voltage
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
2.38
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: flags
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
32512
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: air temperature
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
24.29770351720454
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: air humidity
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
47.11680781261921
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: barometric_pressure
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
100888
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: ambient_light_ch0
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
58
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: ambient_light_ch1
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
12
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: co2_concentration
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
573
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: co2_sensor_status
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number
0
14/3/2020 18:53:59 node: Raw_IR_reading
application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

Now we deselect the debug nodes so we get rid off all unnecessary messages



So now we get only the desired data each 10 minutes



Storing the sensor data on a database

Install and start InfluxDB on Raspberry

```

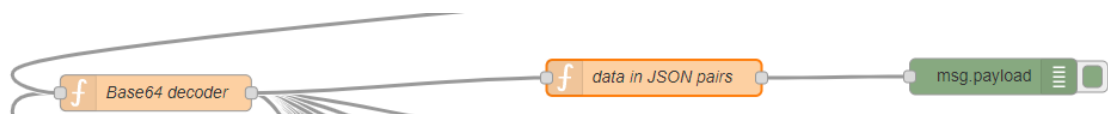
pi@touchberry_noria: ~
Archivo Editar Pestañas Ayuda
pi@touchberry_noria:~ $ influx -precision rfc3339
Connected to http://localhost:8086 version 1.7.9
InfluxDB shell version: 1.7.9
>

```

We create the database DECENTLAB

```
pi@touchberry_noria: ~  
Archivo  Editar  Pestañas  Ayuda  
pi@touchberry_noria:~ $ influx -precision rfc3339  
Connected to http://localhost:8086 version 1.7.9  
InfluxDB shell version: 1.7.9  
> create database DECENTLAB;  
> show databases;  
name: databases  
name  
----  
_internal  
plc  
DECENTLAB  
> █
```

Now we have to prepare the data on JSON pairs



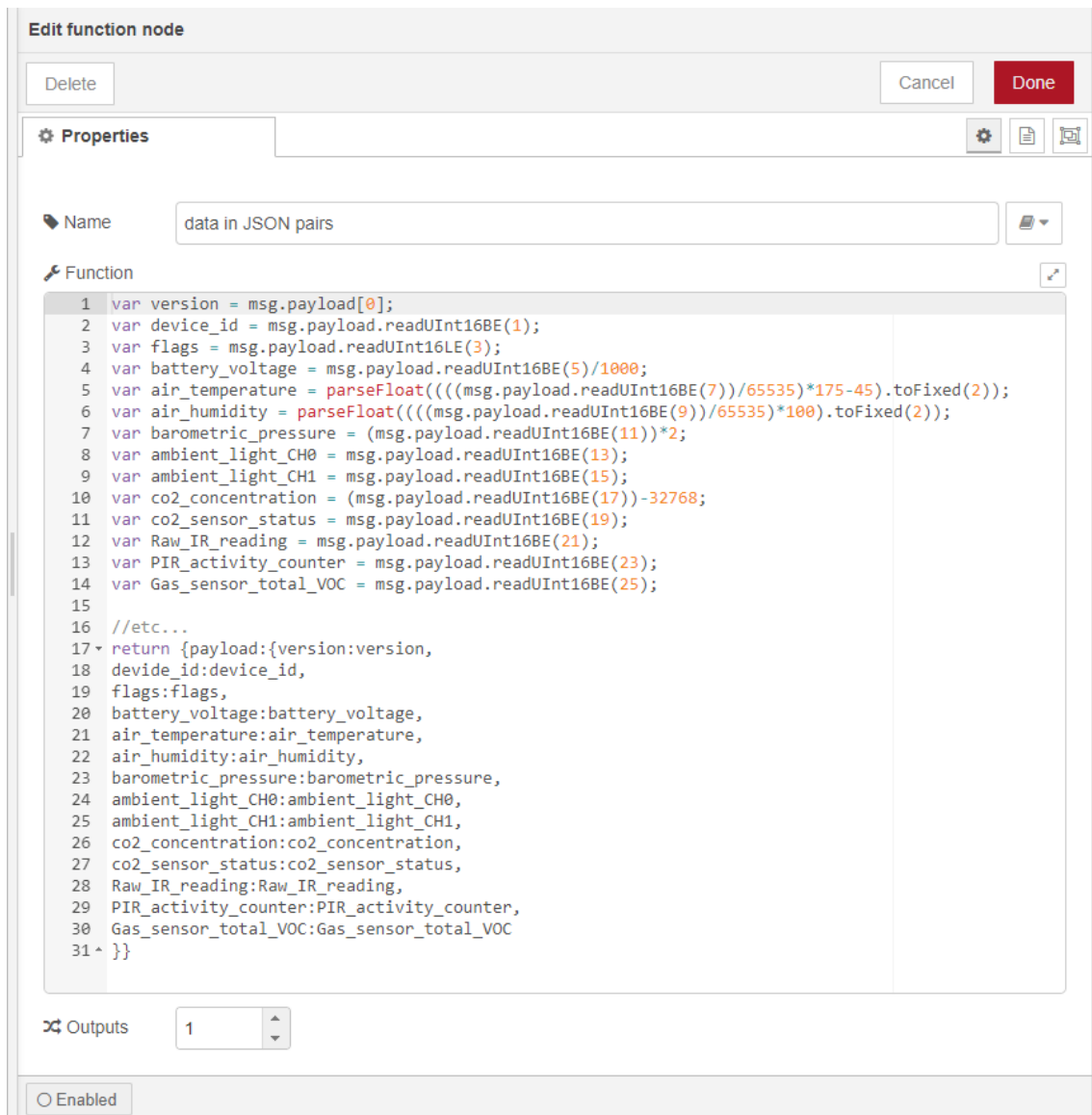
To get this output

14/3/2020 20:03:45 node: 9bf1bcd1b.1c292

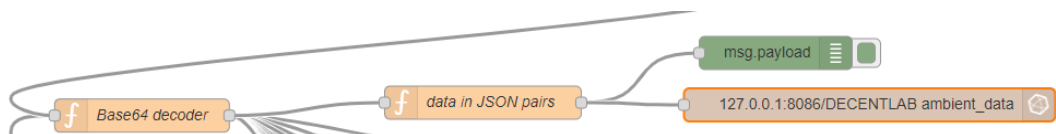
msg.payload : Object

```
▶ { version: 2, device_id: 3054, flags: 32512, battery_voltage: 2.38,  
  air_temperature: 24.34 ... }
```

Like this



And we inject this object to the database



A new measurements table “ambient_data” will be created by node-red for us on a snap, with the right fields, and the right data type (int, float, etc)

This is how we configure the database node

Edit influxdb out node

Delete Cancel Done

Properties

Server 127.0.0.1:8086/DECENTLAB

Measurement ambient_data

☐ Advanced Query Options

Name Name

Edit influxdb out node > Edit influxdb node

Delete Cancel Update

Properties

Host 127.0.0.1 Port 8086

Database DECENTLAB

Username

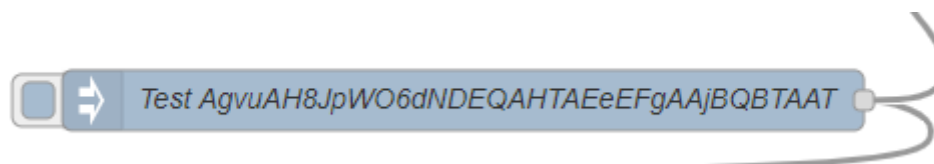
Password

☐ Enable secure (SSL/TLS) connection

Name Name

We test the injection on the database with the inject test node

And we get no errors



We check on the influxDB terminal

```
pi@touchberry_noria: ~  
Archivo  Editar  Pestañas  Ayuda  
pi@touchberry_noria:~ $ influx -precision rfc3339  
Connected to http://localhost:8086 version 1.7.9  
InfluxDB shell version: 1.7.9  
> create database DECENTLAB;  
> show databases;  
name: databases  
name  
----  
_internal  
plc  
DECENTLAB  
> use DECENTLAB;  
Using database DECENTLAB  
> show measurements;  
name: measurements  
name  
----  
ambient_data  
>
```

Yes, “ambient_data” measurements table has been created

```
pi@touchberry_noria: ~  
Archivo  Editar  Pestañas  Ayuda  
> show measurements;  
name: measurements  
name  
----  
ambient_data  
> show FIELD KEYS  
name: ambient_data  
fieldKey      fieldType  
-----  
Gas_sensor_total_VOC float  
PIR_activity_counter float  
Raw_IR_reading float  
air_humidity float  
air_temperature float  
ambient_light_CH0 float  
ambient_light_CH1 float  
barometric_pressure float  
battery_voltage float  
co2_concentration float  
co2_sensor_status float  
devide_id float  
flags float  
version float  
>
```

And let’s see what is stored on the database

All the data

```
> SELECT * FROM ambient_data  
name: ambient_data  
time Gas_sensor_total_VOC PIR_activity_counter Raw_IR_reading air_humidity air_temperature ambient_light_CH0 ambient  
rometric_pressure battery_voltage co2_concentration co2_sensor_status devide_id flags version  
-----  
2020-03-14T19:12:52.367635255Z 19 332 35860 32512 2 45.63 23.17 467 71  
3480 2.469 1046 0 3054 37256 32512 2 46.02 24.38 53 10  
2020-03-14T19:13:42.191112399Z 302 591 0 3054 32512 2  
8034 2.38  
>
```

Or a selection


```

> SELECT air_temperature, air_humidity, barometric_pressure FROM ambient_data
name: ambient_data
time                air_temperature air_humidity barometric_pressure
-----
2020-03-14T19:12:52.367635255Z 23.17      45.63      100480
2020-03-14T19:13:42.191112399Z 24.38      46.82      100934
2020-03-14T19:23:49.074313446Z 24.42      46.79      100936
2020-03-14T19:33:47.114185847Z 24.49      46.82      100932
2020-03-14T19:43:43.40009995Z  24.58      46.83      100928
2020-03-14T19:53:43.55313591Z 24.65      46.27      100936
> SELECT air_temperature, air_humidity, barometric_pressure, co2_concentration FROM ambient_data
name: ambient_data
time                air_temperature air_humidity barometric_pressure co2_concentration
-----
2020-03-14T19:12:52.367635255Z 23.17      45.63      100480      1046
2020-03-14T19:13:42.191112399Z 24.38      46.82      100934      591
2020-03-14T19:23:49.074313446Z 24.42      46.79      100936      592
2020-03-14T19:33:47.114185847Z 24.49      46.82      100932      606
2020-03-14T19:43:43.40009995Z  24.58      46.83      100928      611
2020-03-14T19:53:43.55313591Z 24.65      46.27      100936      659
>

```

We see that the order of the fields is inverse

Now let's visualize the data on grafana

We enter grafana

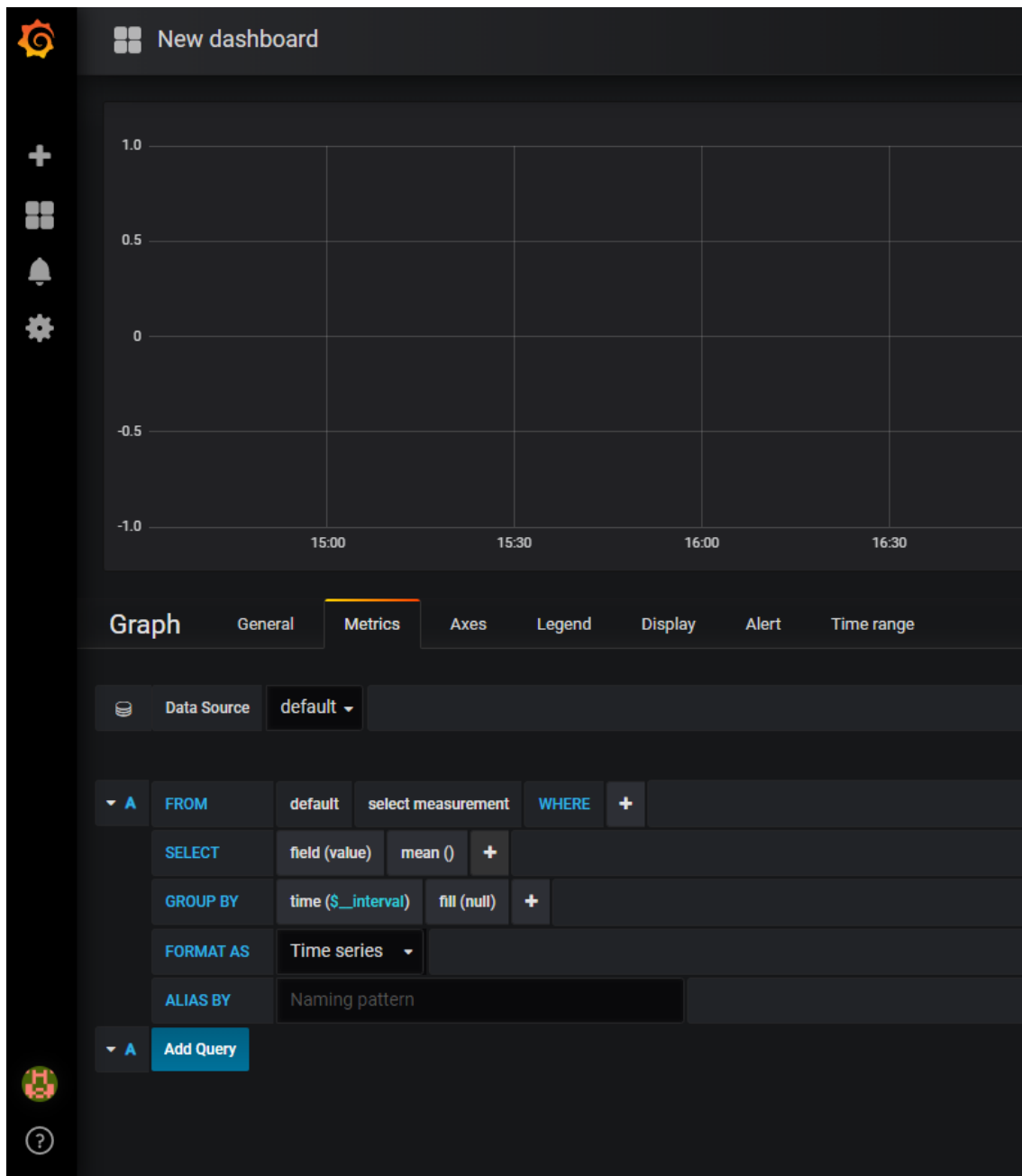
Localhost:3000

We create a new datasource

The screenshot shows the Grafana Settings page for a new InfluxDB datasource. The interface is dark-themed. On the left is a sidebar with icons for home, add new, dashboards, alerts, and settings. The main panel is titled 'Settings' and contains the following sections:

- General:** Name is 'DECENTLAB', Type is 'InfluxDB'.
- HTTP:** URL is 'http://localhost:8086', Access is 'Server (Default)'.
- Auth:** Basic Auth is checked, With Credentials is checked, TLS Client Auth is unchecked, With CA Cert is unchecked, Skip TLS Verification (Insecure) is unchecked.
- Basic Auth Details:** User is 'pi', Password is masked with dots.
- Advanced HTTP Settings:** Whitelisted Cookies section with an 'Add Name' button.
- InfluxDB Details:** Database is 'DECENTLAB', User and Password fields are present but empty.

We create our dashboard



Select the data source

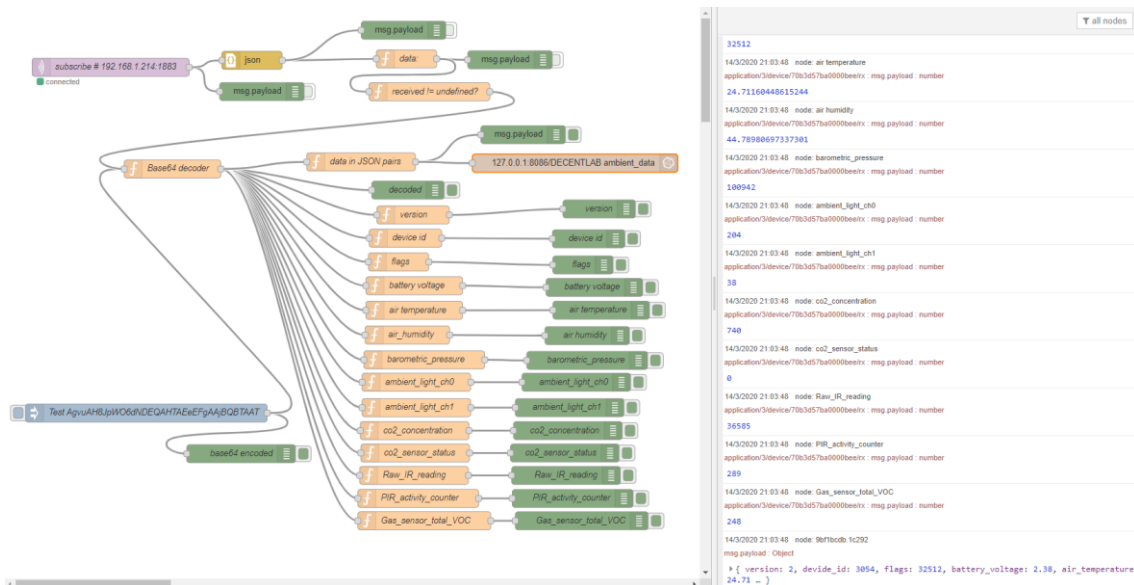
So we have

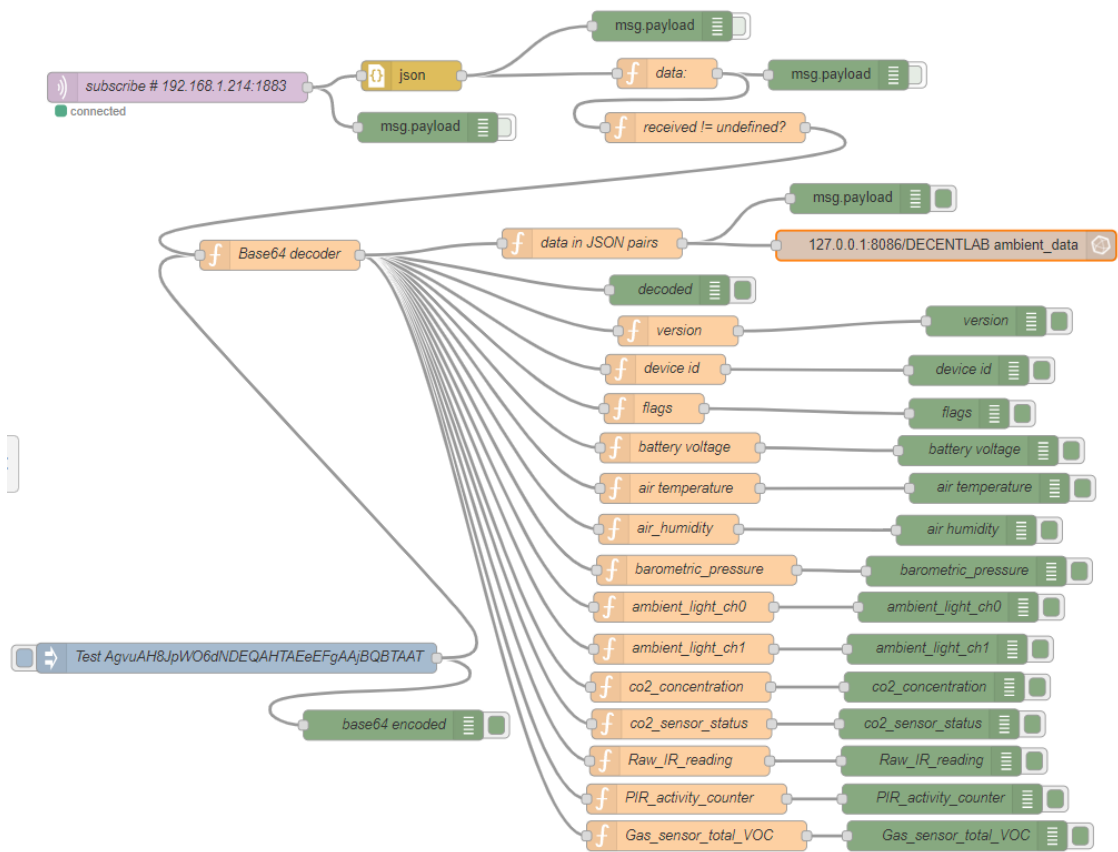


And 12 hours later



So





 debug



all nodes



32512

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: air temperature

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

24.71160448615244

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: air humidity

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

44.78980697337301

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: barometric_pressure

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

100942

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: ambient_light_ch0

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

204

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: ambient_light_ch1

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

38

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: co2_concentration

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

740

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: co2_sensor_status

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

0

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: Raw_IR_reading

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

36585

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: PIR_activity_counter

application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

289

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: Gas_sensor_total_VOC












application/3/device/70b3d57ba0000bee/rx : msg.payload : number

248

14/3/2020 21:03:48 node: 9bf1bcd1c292

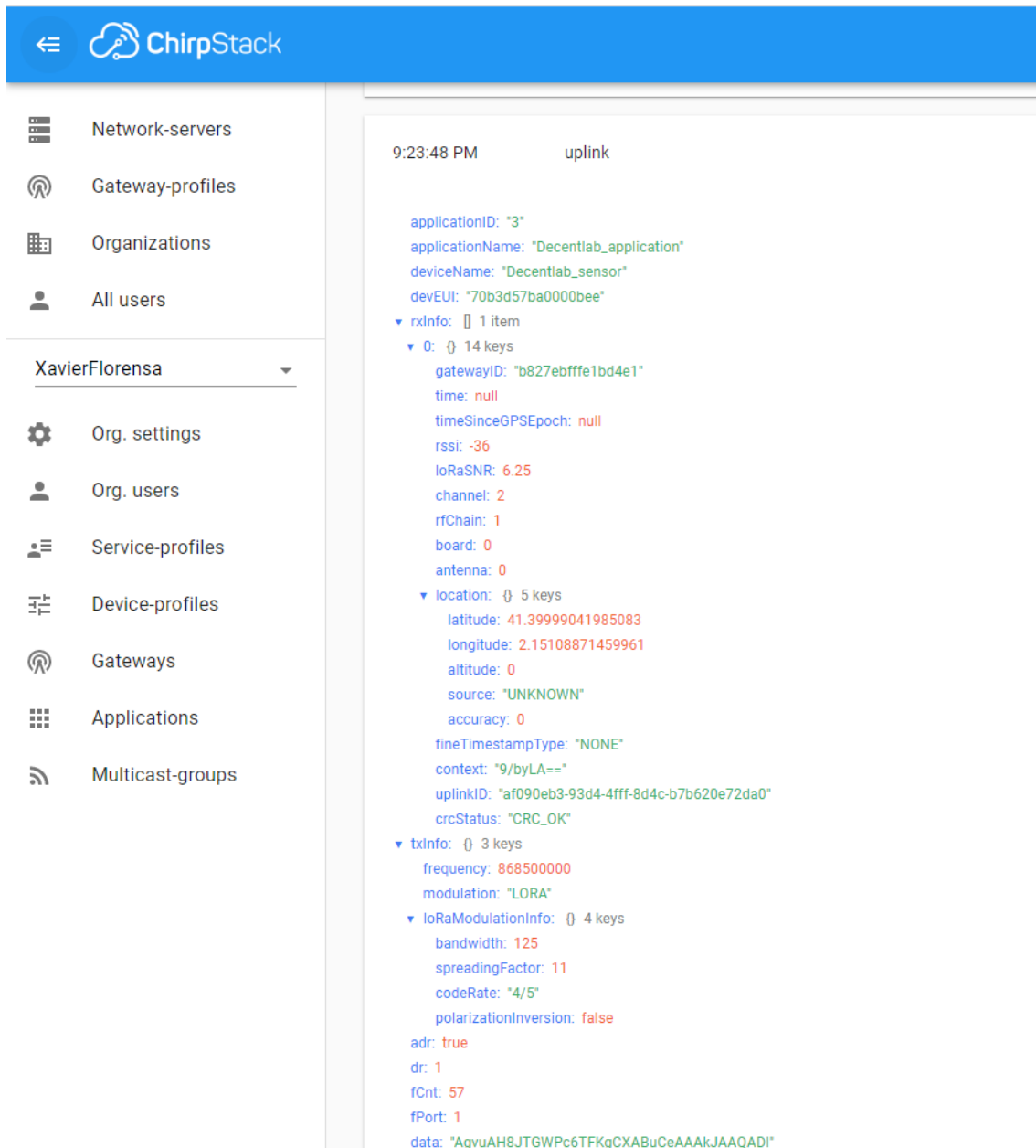
msg.payload : Object

```
{ version: 2, device_id: 3054, flags: 32512, battery_voltage: 2.38, air_temperature: 24.71 ... }
```

-  Network-servers
-  Gateway-profiles
-  Organizations
-  All users
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-  Org. users
-  Service-profiles
-  Device-profiles
-  Gateways
-  Applications
-  Multicast-groups

Applications / Decentlab_application / Devices / Decentlab_sensor

DETAILS	CONFIGURATION	KEYS (OTAA)	ACTIVATION	DEVICE DATA	LORAWAN FRAMES	FIRMWARE
<div>?</div> <div>HELP</div>						
9:23:49 PM	status					
9:23:48 PM	uplink					
9:13:50 PM	uplink					
9:03:47 PM	uplink					
8:53:45 PM	uplink					
8:43:45 PM	status					
8:43:45 PM	uplink					
8:33:48 PM	uplink					
8:23:50 PM	uplink					
8:13:44 PM	uplink					
8:13:43 PM	status					
8:03:45 PM	uplink					



You can find the node-red code on [github](#)

<https://github.com/xavierflorensa/Decentlab-ambient-sensor-DL-IAM-decoder/blob/master/Decentlab%20ambient%20sensor%20DL-IAM%20decoding%20%2B%20grafana.txt>

