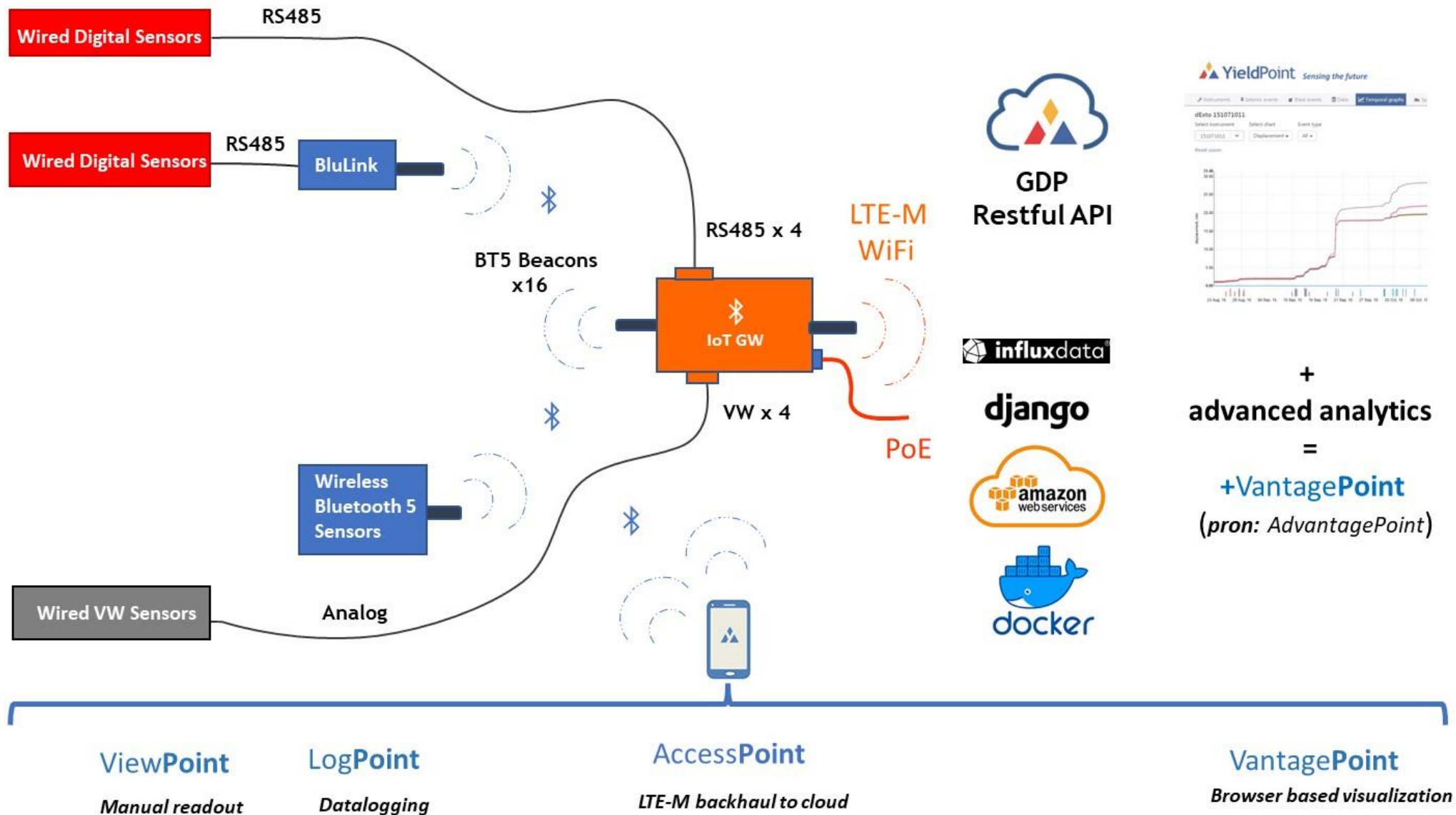


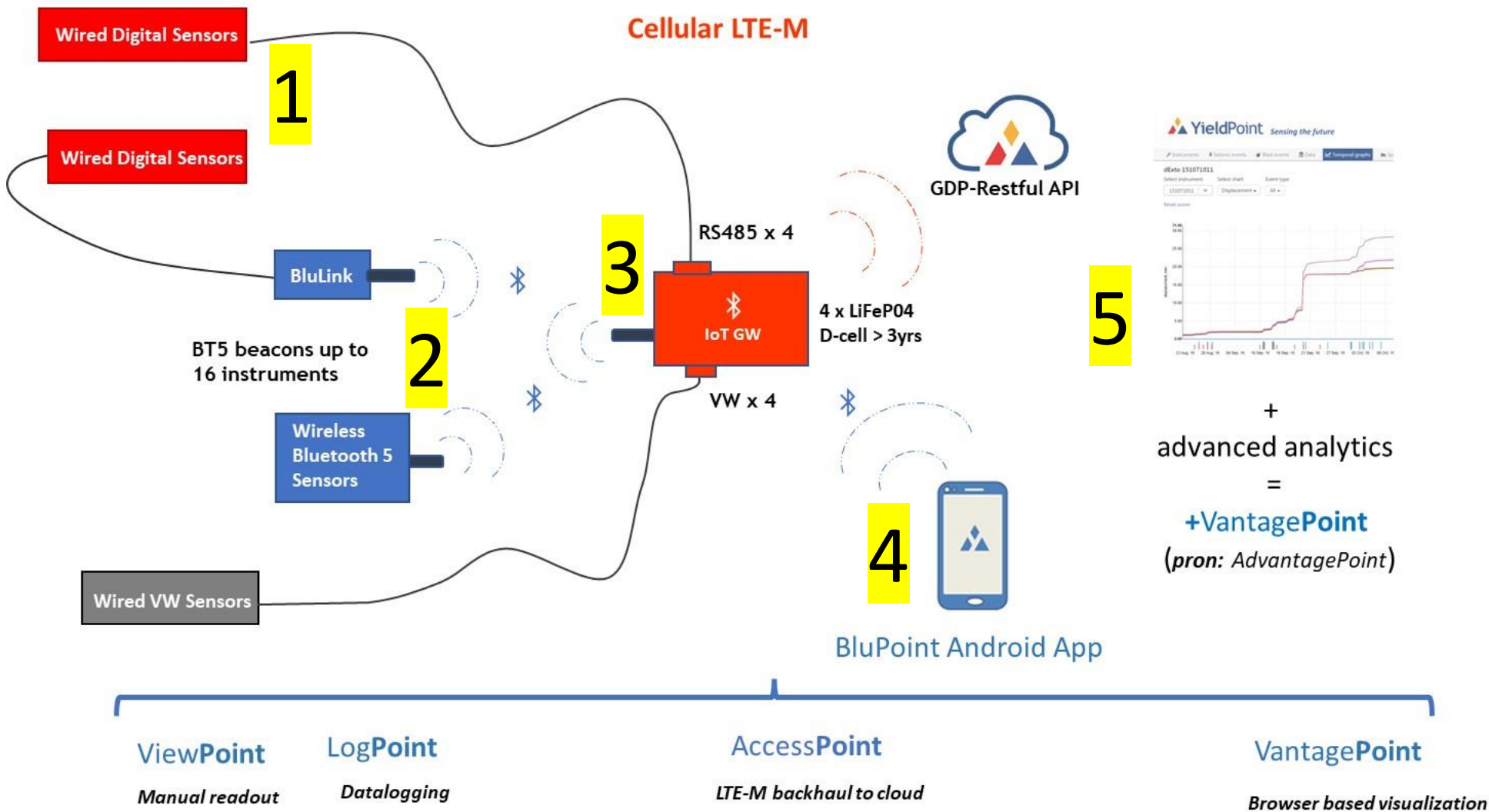
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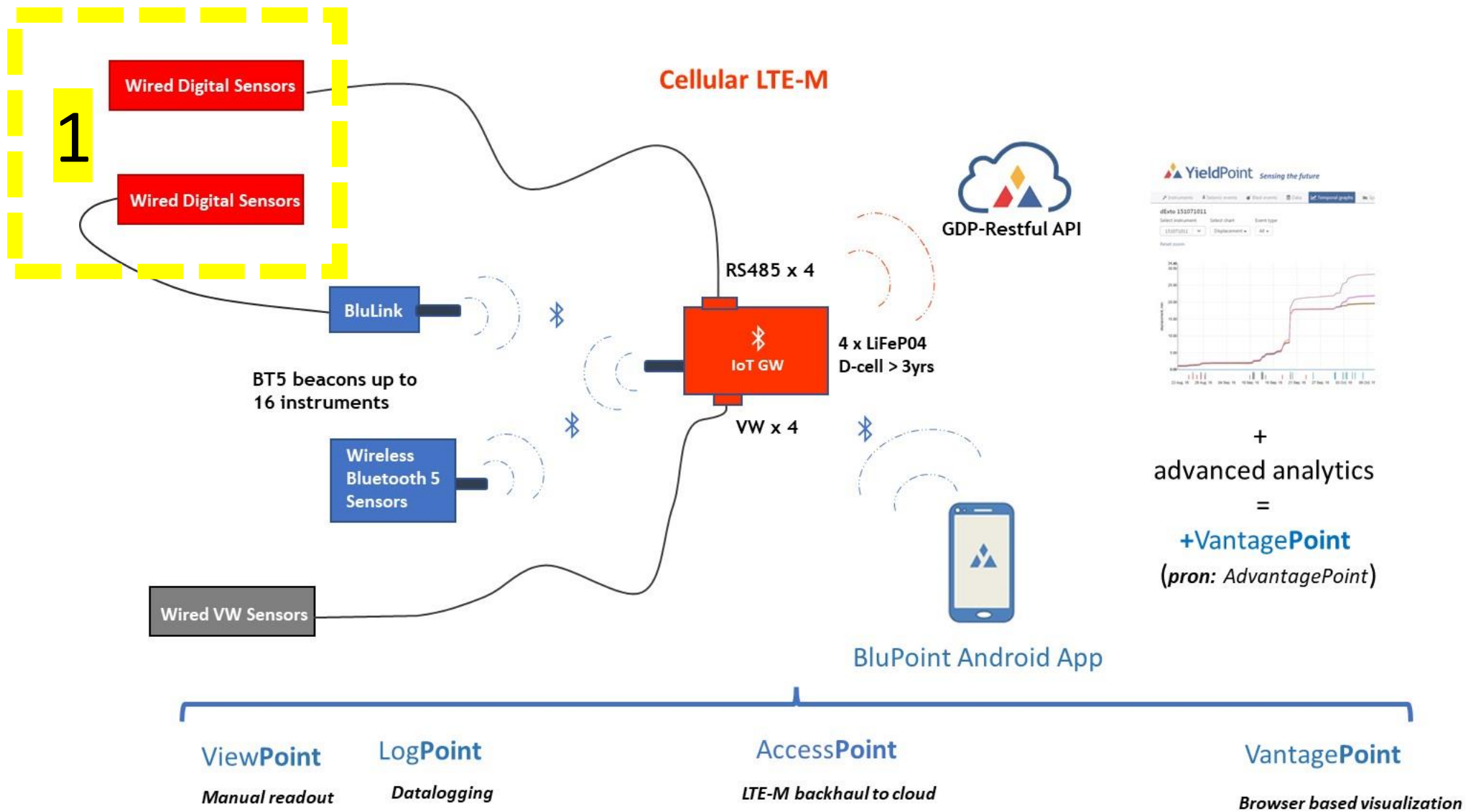
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YieldPoint's digital technology is called **d-Tech**

- **d-Tech** is digital instrumentation platform developed by YieldPoint Inc. in Kingston, Ontario, Canada.
- A microcomputer is embedded in every instrument so creating truly SMART geotechnical and structural instruments.
- Every YieldPoint instrument is **DIGITAL** and only YieldPoint instruments are truly **SMART**.
- **d-Tech** is the modern approach to instrumentation. It enables clusters of instruments to be easily networked together using technologies such as 900MHz radio telemetry, BLE5 Bluetooth, WiFi and Ethernet.
- With simplicity comes lower cost especially with respect implementation and maintenance. The advantages permeate to all aspects of data monitoring and management.
- In wired systems the digital signals can be sent using RS485 long distances up to 800m. Damaged lead-wires can be twisted back together very easily and reliably.
- Signals are immune to the presence of water, as is the instrument itself.

All YieldPoint instruments have 4 conductor lead-wire:

Each instrument has a YP *Unique Serial Number*:

Digits 1 to 4 : year and month of manufacture.

Digits 5,6 : sensor type. 5 is # of channels.

Digit 7-9 : factory assigned sequential IDs.

RED: +Pwr .

BLACK: GND.

WHITE: RS485-A.

GREEN: RS485-B.

- **Improved Accuracy:** Linearity, Temperature Compensation with built-in temperature sensor.
- **Improved Reliability:** non-contact technology, water immunity, low noise.
- Outputs directly in Real World Units.
- Output signals include Unique Sensor ID + SensorType.
- Many channels multiplexed on a single lead wire pair.
- **Simplified Low-cost Peripherals:** BLE5, WiFi, 4G-CAT-M1, 900MHz, dataloggers, Ethernet gateways (Category 3).
- **Safe and simple Data Transmission** and Management.
- Very limited need for configuration.
- Delivered calibrated and ready to use.

dExto-Hard Rock: Grouted borehole extensometer

Range: up to 250mm at 10µm resolution.

Length: up to 40m/140ft. Diameter 25mm/1".

Head length: 40 to 50cm/16 to 20".

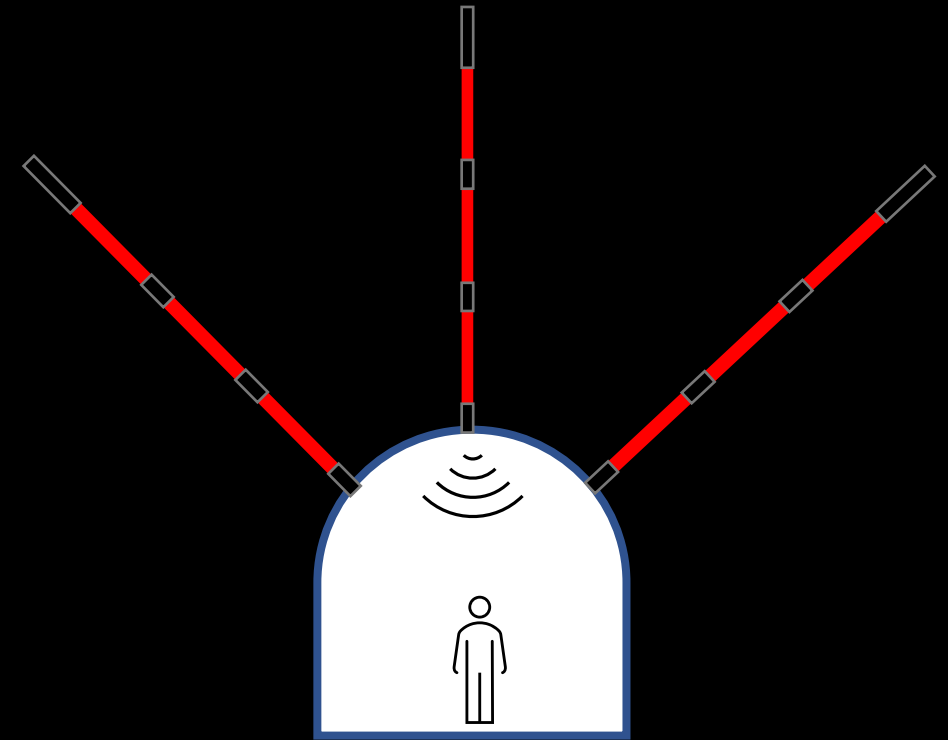
Up to 6 anchor points.

Pre-calibrated, ready to install.



dEXTO- Hard Rock borehole extensometers are used in galleries/ tunnels to monitor rock deformation. Their length is usually 150% of the average dimension of the excavation or $1.5 \times (H+W)/2$.

To optimize the spatial resolution YP recommends using 6 anchor points if the dEXTOs are above 5m in length.



dExto-Civil: Civil extensometer for soft rock/soil

Range: up to 250mm at 10 μ m.

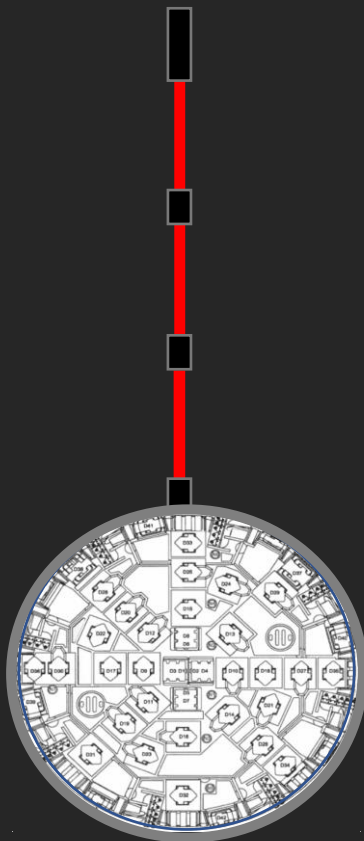
Length: up to 40m/140ft. Diameter 25mm/1"
and 50mm/2" for the anchors.

Head length: 40 to 50cm/16 to 20".

Up to 6 anchor points. Anchors must be manually adjusted for stiffness, upon installation.

Pre-calibrated, ready to install.





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Up to 6 anchor points. Anchors must be manually adjusted for stiffness, upon installation.

Pre-calibrated, ready to install.



dExto-Trench: Civil MPBX Extensometer for trenches in soil.

- Range: up to 250mm at 10 μ m resolution.
- Length: up to 30m/139ft.
- Up to 6 anchor points with 30cm/12" diameter acrylic plates for excellent force transfer.
- Up to 6 anchor points. Anchors must be manually adjusted for stiffness, upon installation.
- Pre-calibrated, ready to install after mounting of plates.



dUMP Utility Monitoring Point

Range: 50 to 200mm at 10µm resolution.

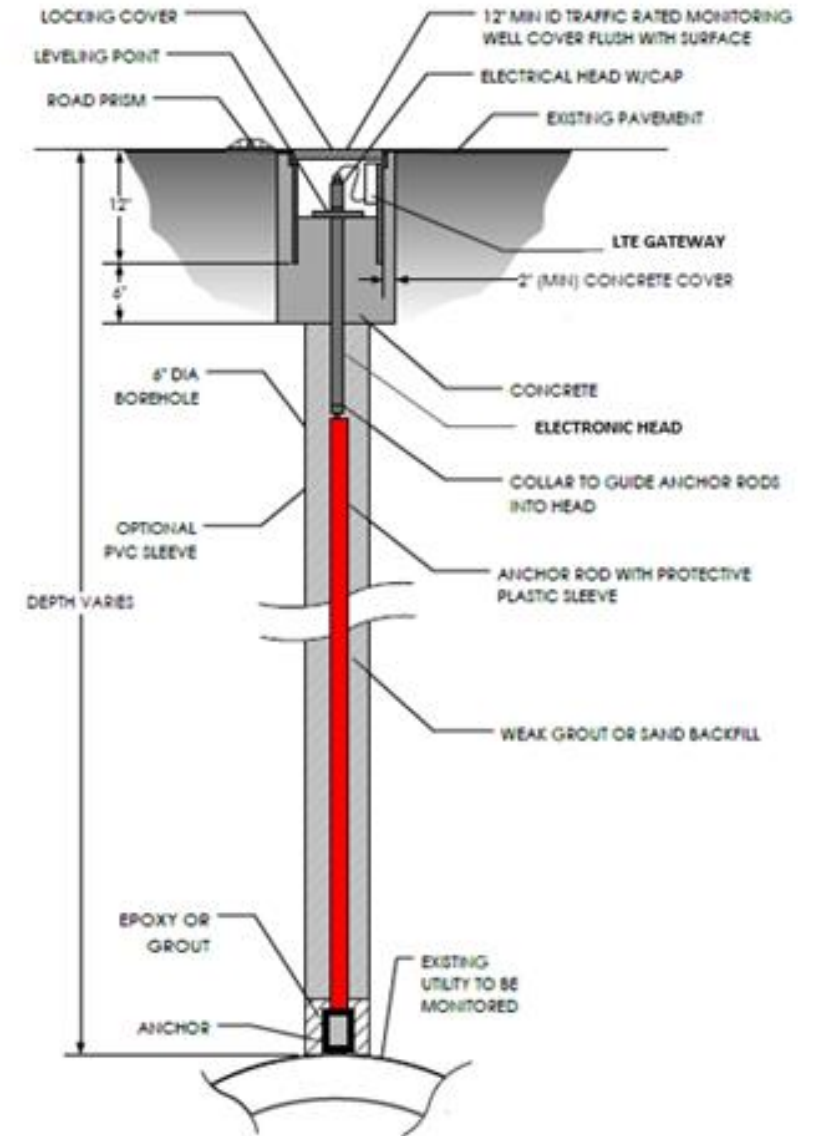
Length: up to 20m/60ft.

Diameter 25mm/1".

Head length: 40 to 50cm/16 to 20".

1 anchor point. Total length manually adjusted for stiffness both at the Head and at the Anchor, upon installation.

Pre-calibrated, ready to install.



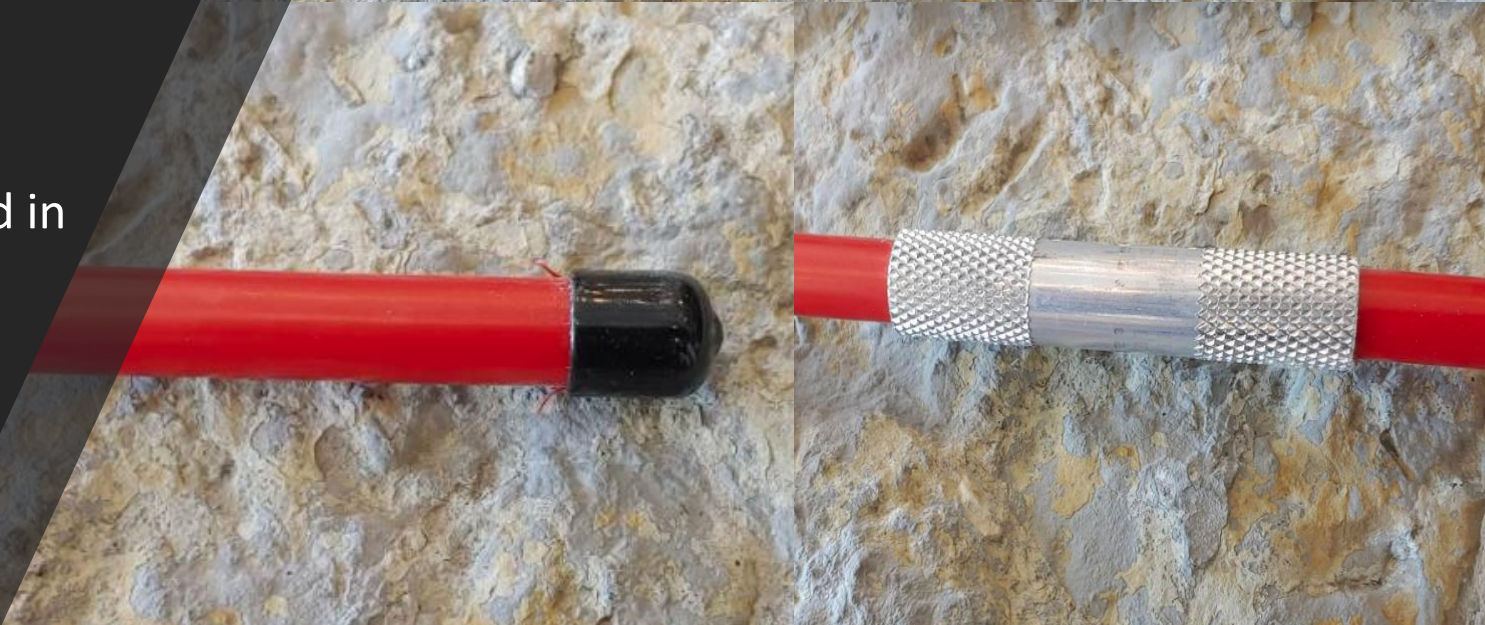
dExto-Mini: Extensometer for direct installation in cement, in a pile, etc.

Head diameter: 21mm/0.82", anchors diameter 13mm/1/2".

Up to 150mm/6" deformation with 10 to 20µm resolution.

Length up to 15m/50ft.

6 anchor points designed for a strong bond in cement and excellent transfer of forces.
Precalibrated and ready to install.



dCable: Digital instrumented cable anchor.

- Monitors its own performance by measuring percentage of cable capacity already used.
- Length up to 25m/80ft, head diameter 25mm/1".
- Installs like any regular cable anchor in production flow. HAT and HAC.
- Must be grouted.
- Plain cable and Garford cable available.
- Can be twinned. Can integrate into tiebacks.



dMPBX: Spring Anchor Extensometer for non-grouted boreholes.

- Dual spring system for positive installation experience and a more stable anchorage.
- Range: up to 200mm at 10 μ m resolution.
- Length: up to 15m/50ft, head diameter 25mm/1", anchors 30mm/1.2".
- Up to 6 anchor points. Ideal for coal, potash, salt mines. Pre-calibrated, ready to install.



dMicro: Crackmeter.

- Range: 10mm.
- Length 180mm/11", diameter 7mm/0.25".
- Resolution: 1 μ m.
- Mounts on 2 brackets bolted on either sides of a crack in the rock.
- Can be used multiple times at other locations.



dGMM: Ground Movement Monitor.

- Mounts on a threaded bar grouted in a short borehole.
- Measure movement between the anchored depth of the threadbar and the wall.
- Range: 146mm.
- Resolution: 10 μ m.
- Can be used multiple times.



dSlough: Sloughmeter - Rock Fall Detector

- Up to 10 points and 150m long, 25mm/1" diameter, 1 LED per point, data logger compatible.
- 10 on/off LEDs in head.
- 10 prebuilt points will break when instrument is stretched more than 50mm/2" by rock deformation.
- Logger/Bluetooth/IoT compatible.



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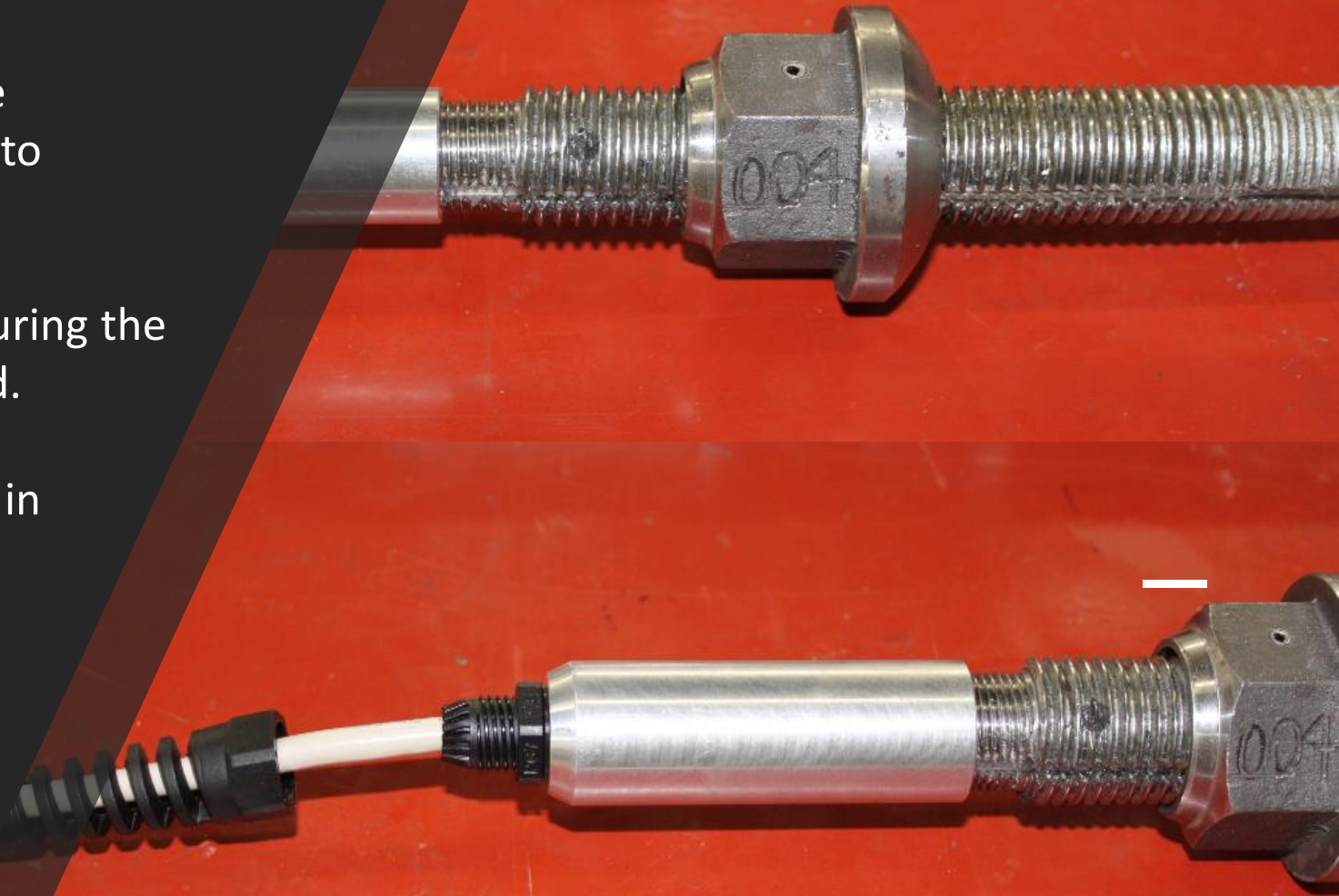
Sensing the future

dSlough - Rock Fall Monitor



dRebar: Instrumented RockBolt.

- Rebar, threadbar and other rock bolt are instrumented in all sizes and lengths up to 6m/20ft.
- Monitors its own performance by measuring the percentage of bolt capacity already used.
- Designed to install like any regular bolt in production flow.
- Resin or grout.



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dRebar - Instrumented RockBolt

dRebar Instrumented RockBolt

The lead wire connects to the grouted bolt and has a protective steel cap with an installation nut.

Once installed, the bolt can be fitted with a Bluetooth 5 data logger and protected from flyrock by various means such as this steel contraption.

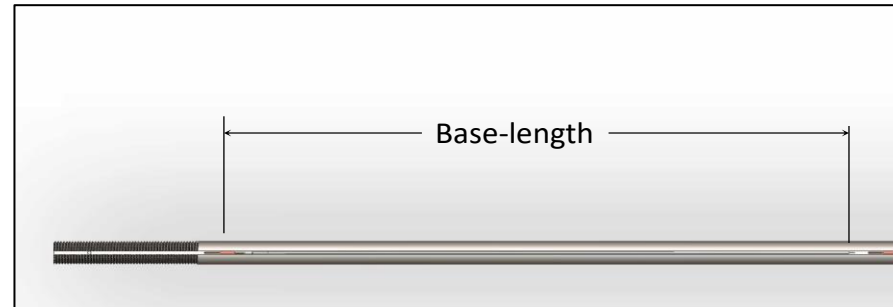
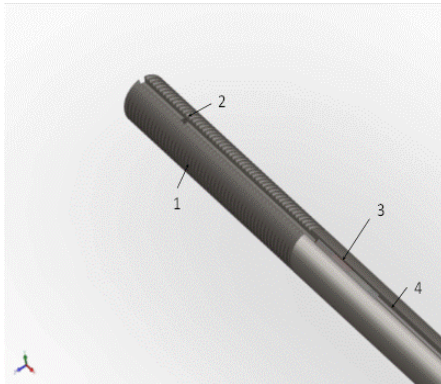


The dREBAR is based on a miniature long base length inductive strain gauge, small enough to be recessed into a 3.2mm groove in the bolt.

A miniature inductive displacement sensor comprising a precision coil and a high permeability core attached to stainless steel rod. The ends of the displacement sensor are secured to the bolt at a specified distance apart referred to as the base length. This base length may vary between 300mm and 2000mm so comprising a long base length strain gauge.

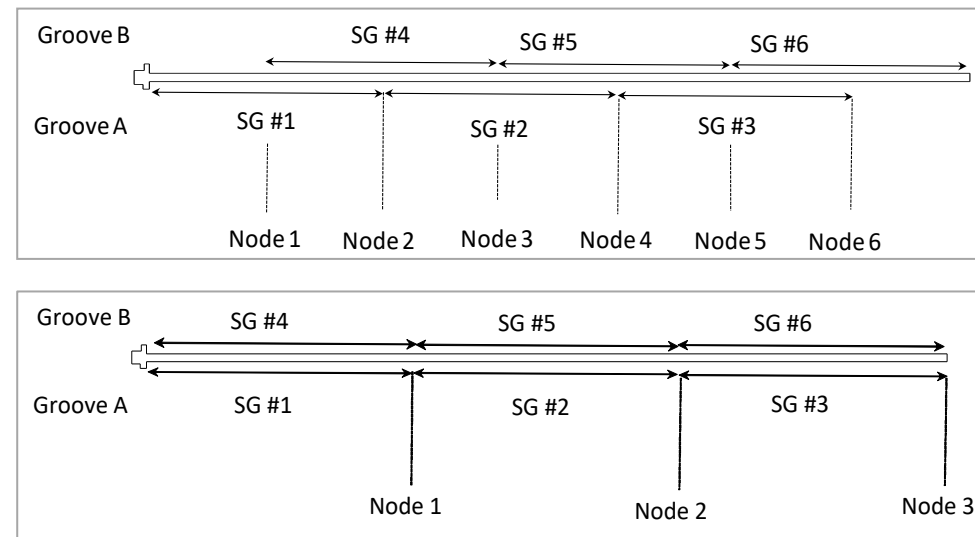
Upon loading, stretch of the bolt causes displacement of the precision coil relative to its high permeability core. The corresponding change in coil inductance causes a variation in the frequency of a resonant electrical circuit which is measured by the microcontroller in the instrument head. The accuracy of the displacement sensor is enhanced by an empirically derived temperature compensation algorithm that is applied by the microcontroller.

Every instrument is subjected to a multipoint calibration. The calibration coefficients are written into microcontroller memory, and a piecewise linear function is used to enhance linearity the output signal and applied strain. Every instrument is provided with a calibration report.



d-REBAR technology can be applied to any rigid bolt or bar. Either a pair of strain gauges (for end anchored bolts spun in resin) or an array of loadmeters can be specified. For applications which require enhanced axial load resolution the strain gauge array should be staggered (Fig4 upper). If bending moments need to be more accurately resolved then a stacked configuration may be preferable (Fig 4. lower). A theoretical comparison of both is presented in a related technical note.

The specification of the strain gauge locations should be based on an understanding of the load distribution along a fully grouted rock bolt. The upper plot in Fig. 5 shows a typical load distribution. At the collar of the borehole the load depends on the stiffness (i.e. bearing conditions) of the faceplate. Along the length of the bolt the load increases in the bolt along the “pick-up” length and reaches a peak at the neutral point. The load decreases along the remainder of the bolt length, the “anchor length”, and is zero at the free end. In the case of a stiff bearing surface for the plate and a rapid decrease in the displacement magnitude around the excavation then the neutral point may actually occur at the faceplate (Fig 5, lower plot).



dSplitSet™: Digital instrumented friction bolt.

- SplitSet™ bolts are instrumented in all sizes and lengths.
- Deformation measured on several sections along bolt length.
- Helps evaluate bolt installation quality and ground support performance.



dTherm: Digital thermistor string.

- A string of temperature sensors embedded within one single flexible HDPE tube. The total diameter of the instrument is 25mm/1.0”.
- Up to 16 temperature points over 200m/650ft in length and the locations of the temperature points are entirely customized.
- dTherm will work with YieldPoint dReader, BluLink, d4BluLogger, BluGateway with WiFi, LTE and MiniSat, and 3rd party modules as well.
- The instrument is coiled over a 120cm/48” diameter and remains very straight once uncoiled. It is to be grouted in the borehole.

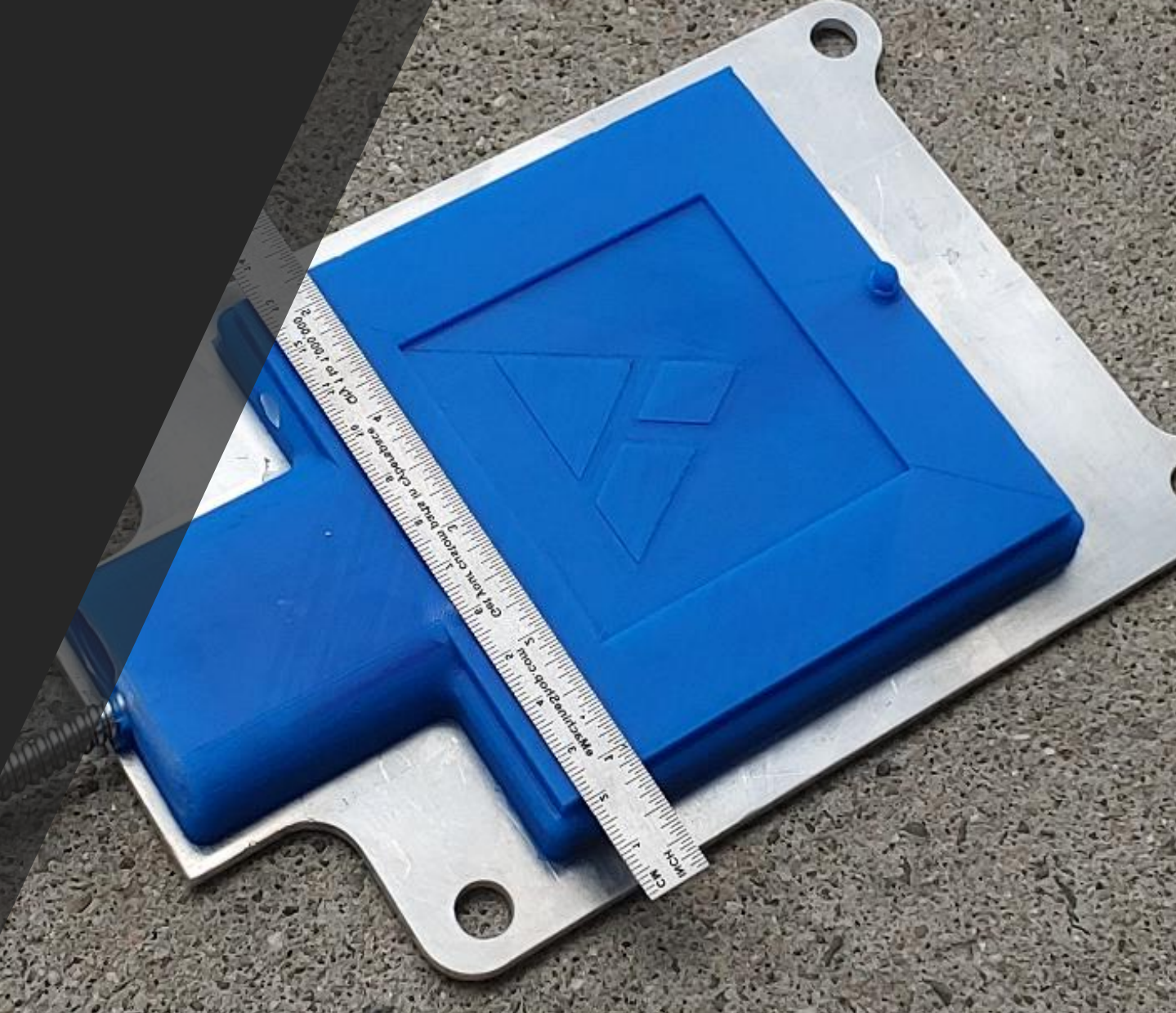


dPPC - Paste Pressure Cell

Innovative paste pressure cell for measure the pressure applied to fill barricade.

Workers safety is improved when they can be quickly removed from risk areas. Productivity and profitability are increased through better process efficiency made possible with real time remote access to paste pressure data.

YieldPoint offers a low-cost Paste Pressure Cell (PPC) especially for monitoring backfill Total Pressure to a resolution of 0.01kPa over a range of 3500kPa.

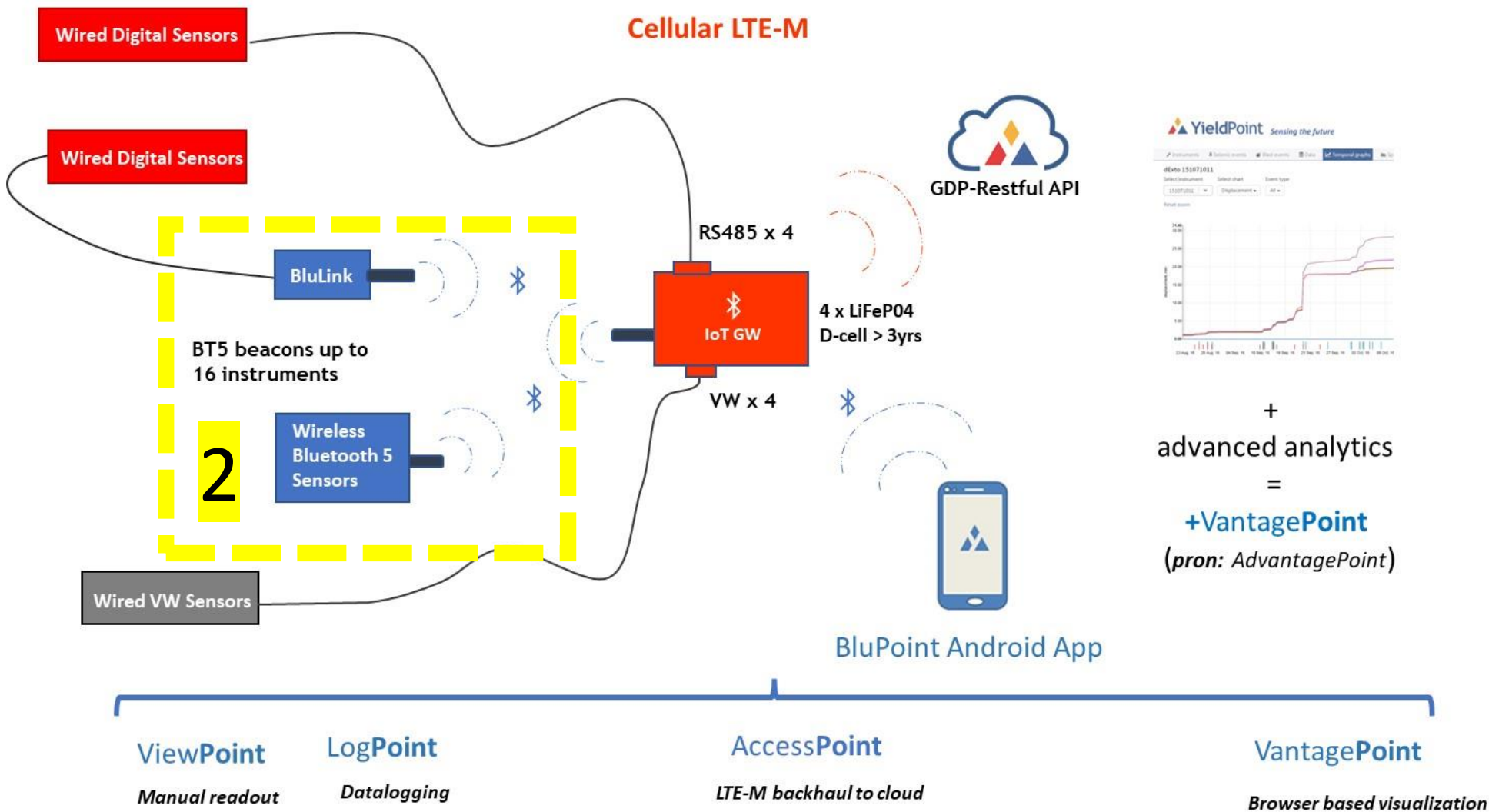


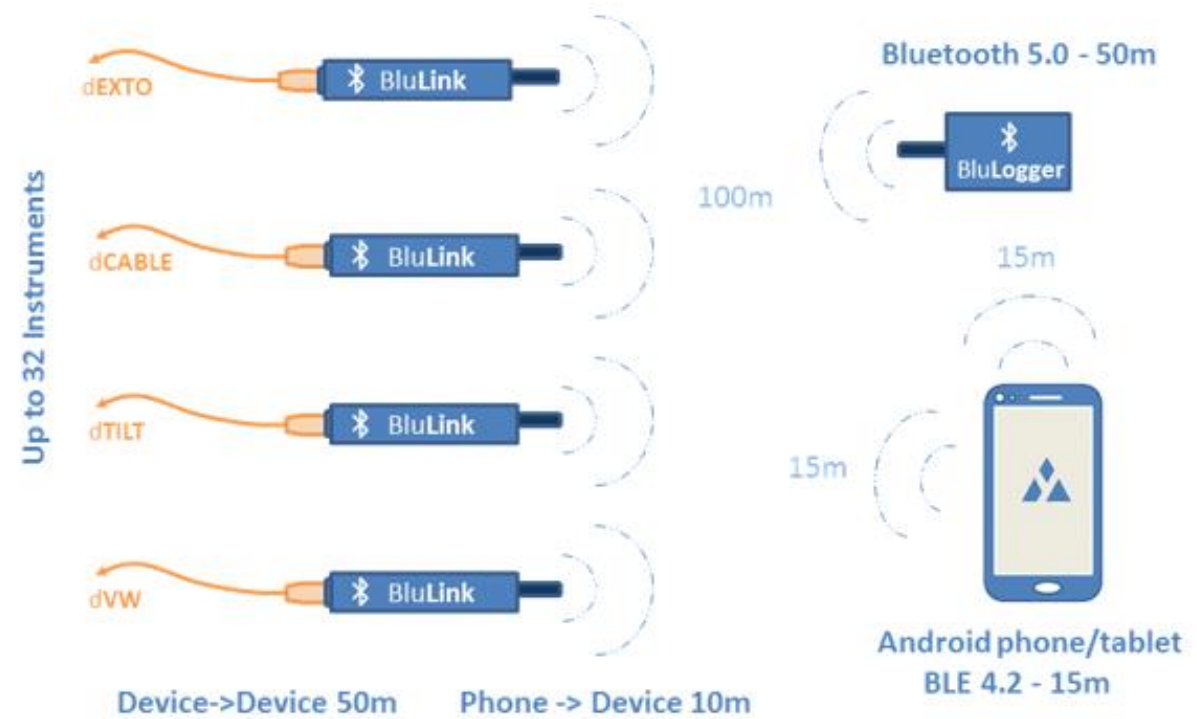
d-Tilt - 3D 360° tiltmeter

d-Tilt is a full 360 arcdeg triaxial tiltmeter for very precise measurement (0.001 arcdeg resolution) of changes in inclination. The instrument uses a very low noise MEMS accelerometer that enables a resolution of 0.001 arcdeg with a 24hr stability of +/-0.001 arcdeg.

Placement on structures does not require precise leveling. The d-Tilt can be attached to a beam or mounted directly to any structure. d-Tilt is also available in borehole model (shown) with a 38mm OD.








BluLink loggers turn any YieldPoint instrument into a data logger with Bluetooth BLE5 capability. 30,000 readings saved, 50 to 200m transmission range, adjustable frequency. BluPoint Android application. Sends data to BluGateway for networking.

The BluLink-S is fully encapsulated and will operate indefinitely underwater.

The emerging benefits of Bluetooth™ 5




Bluetooth 5 with mesh networking can technically support an **unlimited number of devices on a network**.

The range of **Bluetooth 5** is up to four times that of its predecessors, meaning you can cover larger areas using fewer devices. And with mesh **network topology enabling every device to connect to every other device**, network sizes are technically limitless.

Bluetooth 5 can deliver up to **10 years' service from a single cell battery**.

Bluetooth beacons will be greatly improved by **Bluetooth 5**, giving assets the ability to **transmit longer messages at higher data rates over greater distances**.

Thanks to techniques such as channel hopping and slot availability masks, **Bluetooth 5 has better interoperability and coexistence with other wireless technologies**.



Link to webinar: <http://mou.sr/RFtechsolutions>

BluLink-R: BT5 Logger and Transmitter

Works with any YieldPoint digital instruments.

Confirms instrument connection by flashing LED.

Stores 30,000 data strings at user intervals.

Beacons new data string via Bluetooth 5.

Data strings are date & time stamped events.

Communicate with 4G LTE-Cat M1.

IP67 enclosure, external BLE5 antenna included,
replaceable **lithium D-cell batteries** good for 3 years.
Batteries not included.



BluEXTO: BT5 Borehole extensometer

Paradigm shift for Engineers designing large underground excavations, BluExto is the first genuinely wireless displacement monitoring solution. Integrates installation, measurement, signal processing, logging and telemetry complete with an 8-year battery capacity. The borehole extensometer has up to 6 anchor points each with measurement resolution of 10 microns over ranges up to 250mm. BluExto is a derivative of YieldPoint's dExto MkII design.

Integrated into BluEXTO head is a logger that can store 30,000 measurement, battery capacity for 8 years and a Bluetooth 5 radio modem which will beacon readings every 5 seconds with a range up to 100m.



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BluEXTO

BluTilt: 360° Triaxial Tiltmeter.

- Data logger 30,000 readings capacity.
- IP68 metal enclosure 140x90x60mm (5.5/3.5/2.5"). Optional.
- High resolution at 1/1000th degree on all 3 axes.
- Range 360 degrees on all 3 axes.
- Mounts on any kind of structure.
- Can be installed on any angles thanks to triaxial 360 degrees range.
- Bluetooth BLE5 Communications.



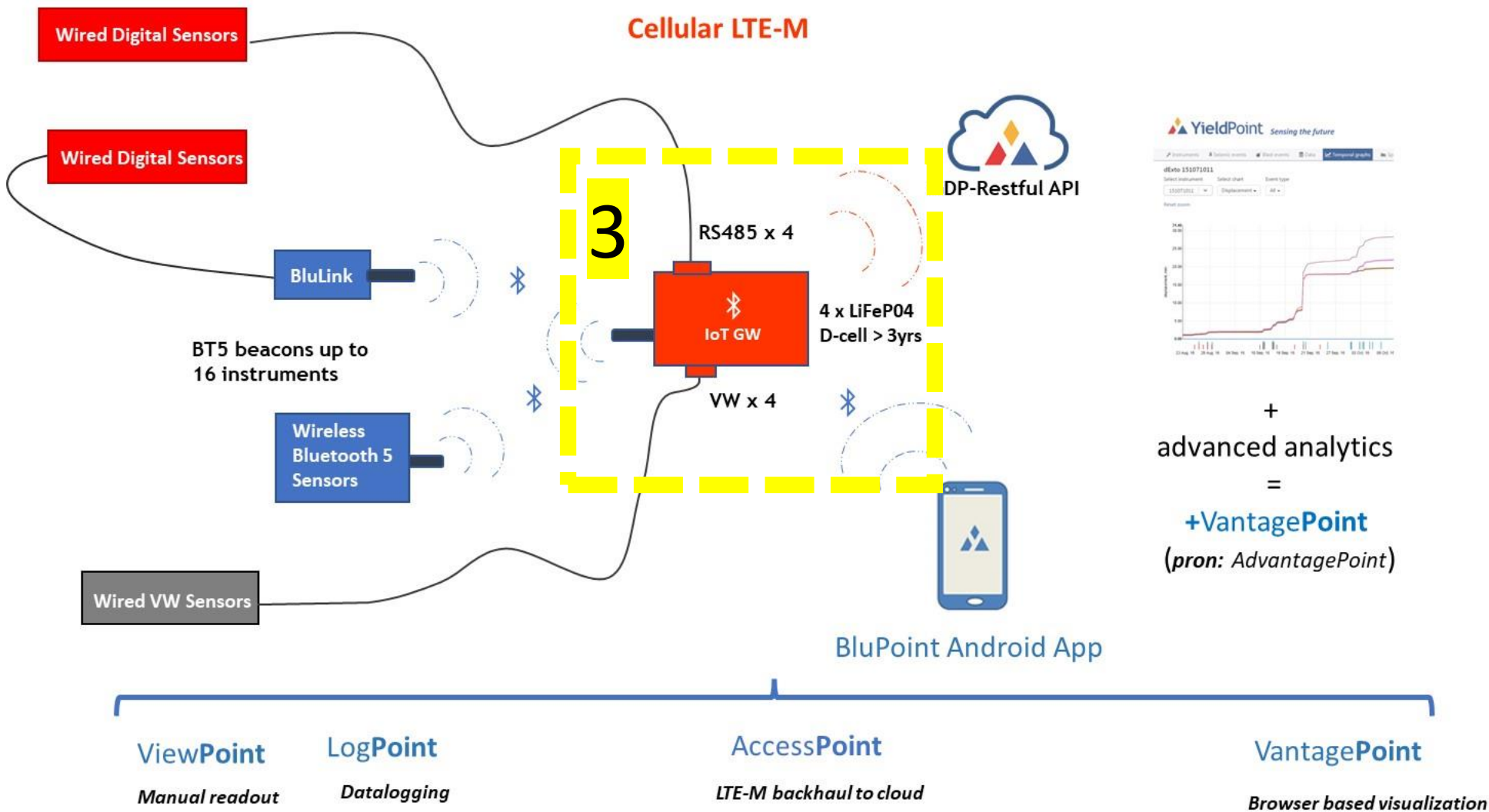
: HID cell interface

BluCSIRO is a single channel Bluetooth and logging enabled interface for CSIRO HID cell, made by ESS in Australia.

The device interrogates the stress cell and returns a single output string with the respective values for the 12 strain gauges.

Could also become available as a 4G LTE-M gateway in the future.





Types of YP Gateway

YieldPoint's Gateways can aggregate readings
From a population of geotechnical instruments
emitting three types of signal:

- (i) RS485 digital signal ([Category 1](#)),
- (ii) BlueTooth 5 beacons ([Category 2](#)),
- (iii) VW instruments.

Backhaul to the cloud can be either:

- a) LTE-M
- b) WiFi/Ethernet
- c) miniSat (SWARM)

All configuration is from YP's
Bluetooth App for Android called
BluPoint ([Category 4](#)).



Cellular Backhaul

Wikipedia says:

LTE-M (LTE-MTC [Machine Type Communication]), is a type of low power wide area network (LPWAN) radio technology standard developed by 3GPP to enable a wide range of cellular devices and services (specifically, for machine-to-machine and Internet of Things applications).^{[1][2]}

LTE-M technology is designed for use by IoT devices that want to connect to a 4G network without a gateway and while using batteries. These low-powered devices are expected to make up the bulk of devices that operate within the Internet of Things over the next few years. They are likely to make up the majority of the predicted 38 billion connected devices estimated to be in operation by the year 2025. LTE-M products are exciting a lot of manufacturers because they are very cheap to build.

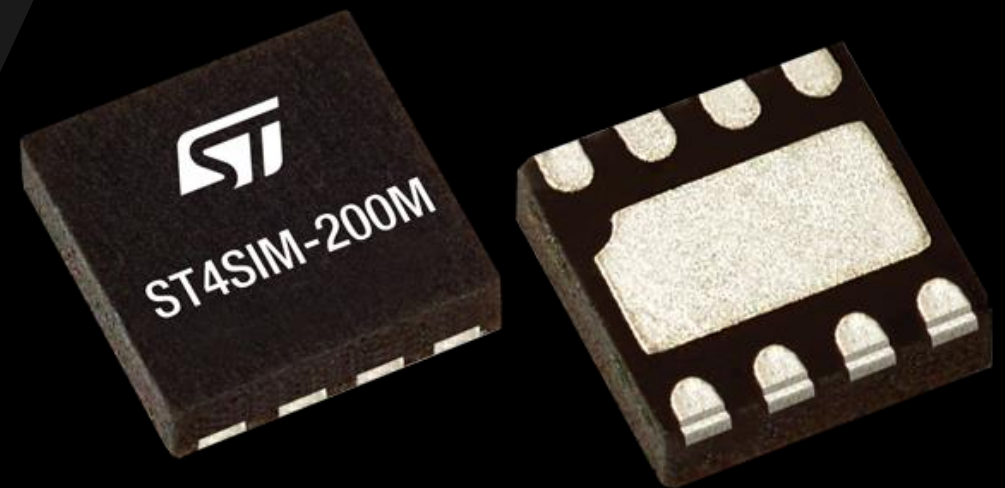
IMPORTANT: (i) LTE-M is different from regular LTE cellular
(ii) LTE is an integral component of 5G

https://www.5gamericas.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/LTE_Progress_Leading_to_the_5G_Massive_Internet_of_Things_Final_12.5.pdf

eSIM chips?

The eSIM (embedded SIM) is a small chip soldered directly to the IoT Gateway board.

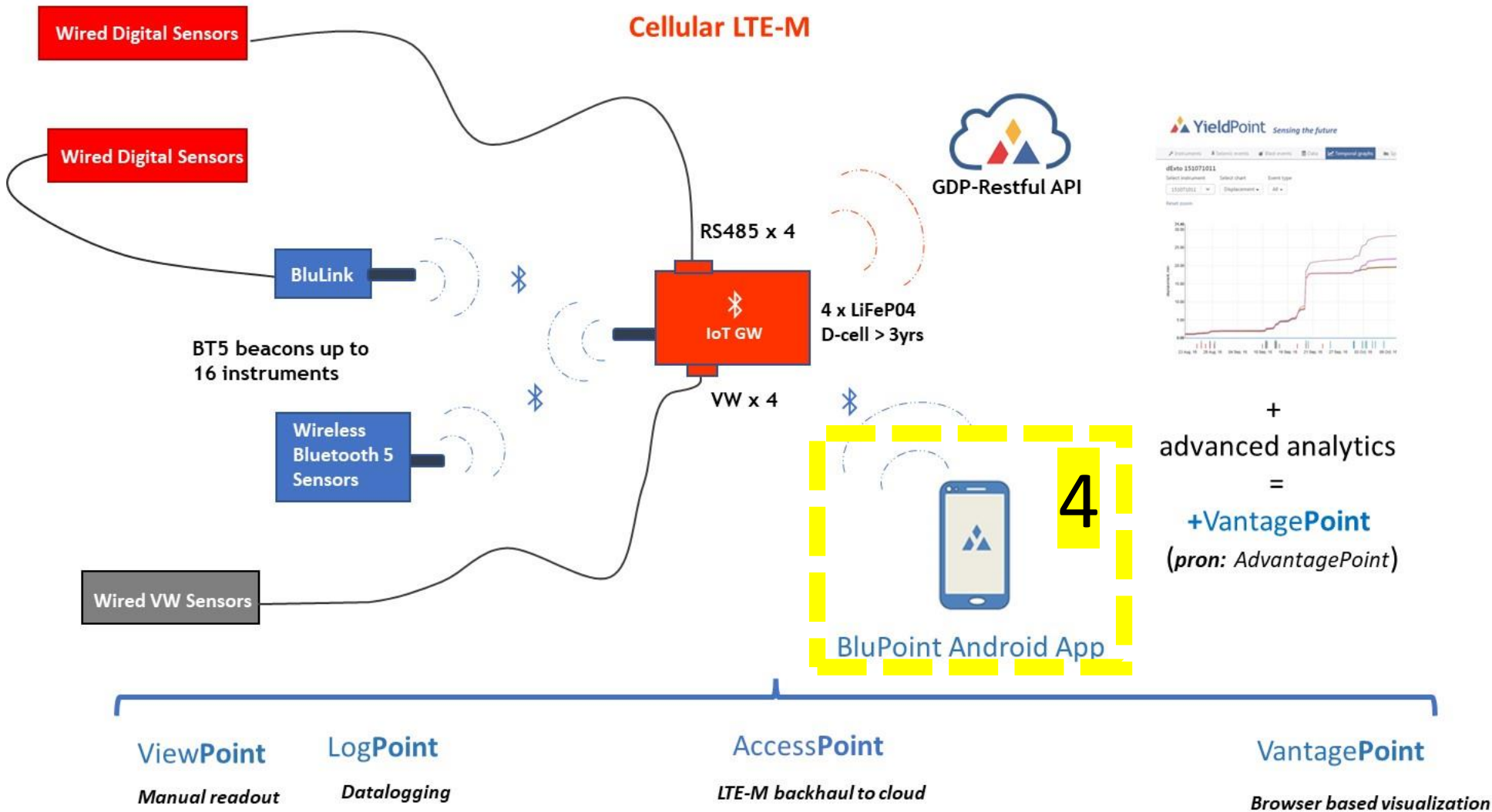
The “e” in eSIM does not refer to “electronic” as is so often the case (for example, eMachines, eCommerce, and e-mail). Instead, it refers to “embedded” — a SIM that is directly attached to a board and is not removable. The official name for this form factor is MFF2.



SIM Cards?

The SIM card has been around since the early 1990s. It is a small, removable piece of silicon and copper encased in plastic. Each manufactured SIM has a globally unique serial number called an ICCID (Integrated Circuit Card ID), along with an IMSI and IMEI, to identify it on the network.





The BluPoint App

Swipe from the left to activate the BluPoint Activities:

The BluPoint App is the software interface between Android devices and BluPoint hardware. Swiping from the left reveals a number of Activities that comprise the App.

ViewPoint: Connect to an instrument (10m range) to view/save the latest data

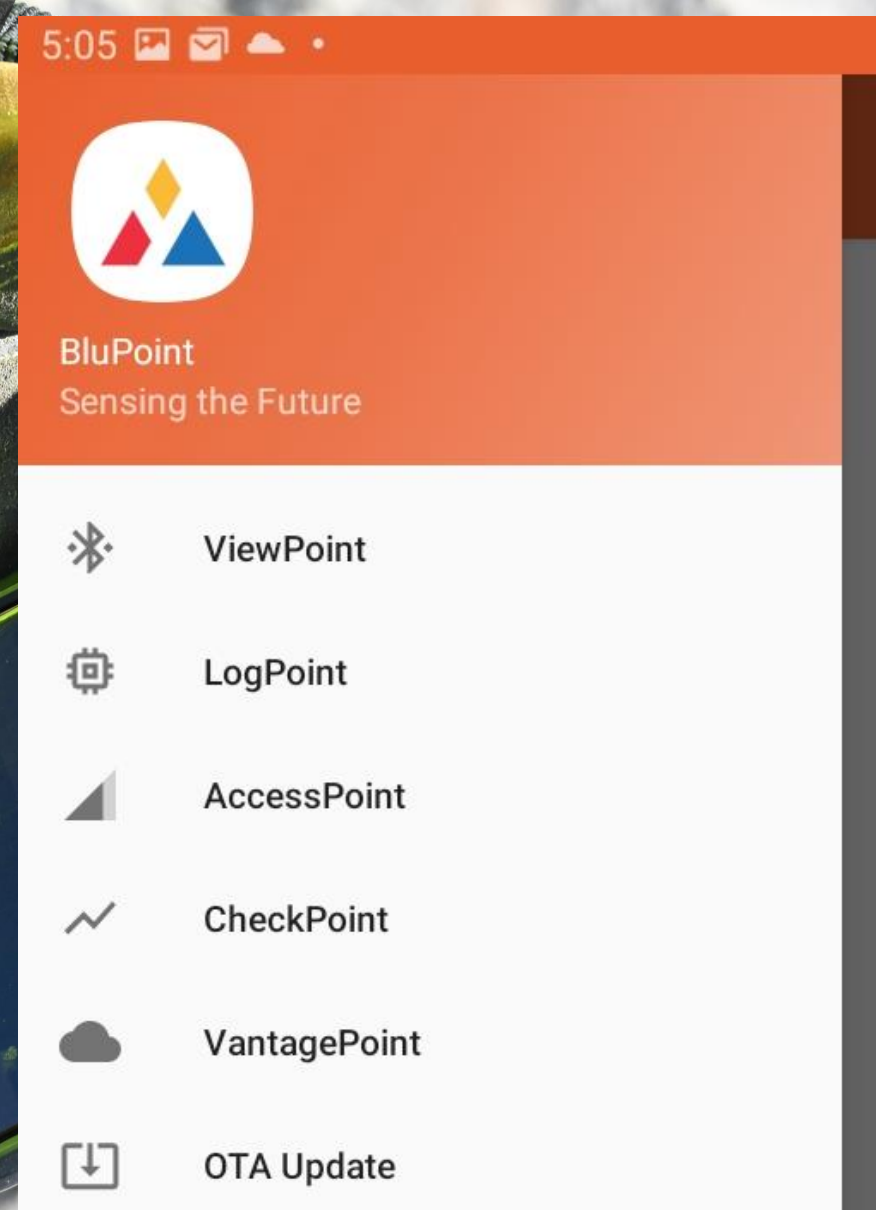
LogPoint: Connect to a BluLogger. Extract data onto Andoid device. Scan the instruments in range(50m) of the BluLogger

AccessPoint: Log onto a BluGateway. Download stored data.

CheckPoint: Android App to display data when offline

VantagePoint: A Geotechnical Data Platform (GDP) for visualization and analysis of data

OTA Update: Update Blulink and BluGateway Firmware

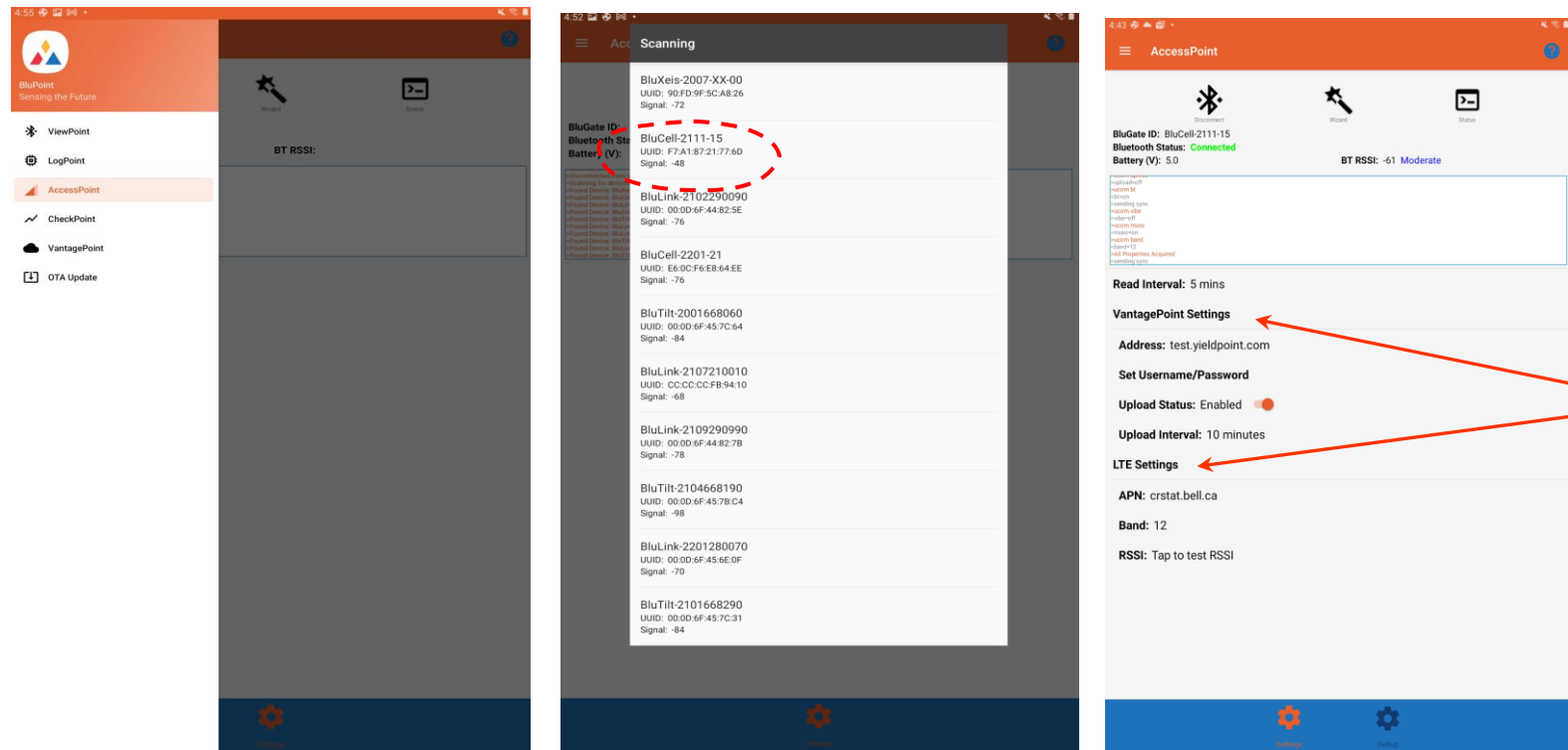


The BluPoint App

The BluPoint App is used to perform the following tasks:

- (i) Configuration reading intervals, clock
- (ii) Downloading and erasing readings
- (iii) Configuration of backhaul target for Gateways.
- (iv) Managing historical readings
- (v) Health monitoring.





1. Open BluPoint and drag from the left to show Vantagepoint

2. Tap connect and select the BluCell ID

3. VantagePoint will connect to the Gateway and retrieve parameters

Signal strength or RSSI

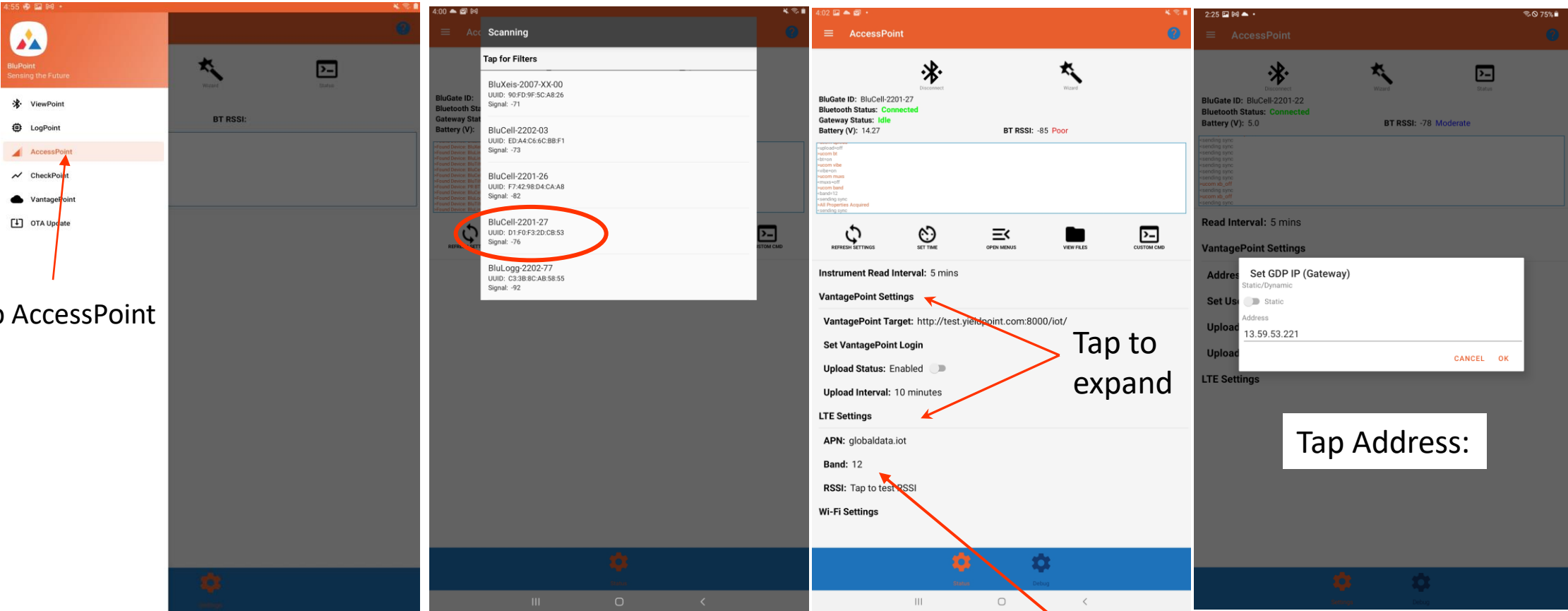
RSSI (Received Signal Strength Indicator): Radios can communicate down to an RSSI of -92.

Range: -40 to -60 Good
 -60 to -80 Moderate
 <-80 Poor

IMPORTANT: Whatever the orientation of the device, the antenna should be VERTICAL



AccessPoint is an Activity within the BluPoint App to manage gateway setup



MUX 4 x RS485 instruments

Tap “ALL OFF” to suspend all auto tasks



Find instruments plugged into the 4 x YP RS485 instrument ports

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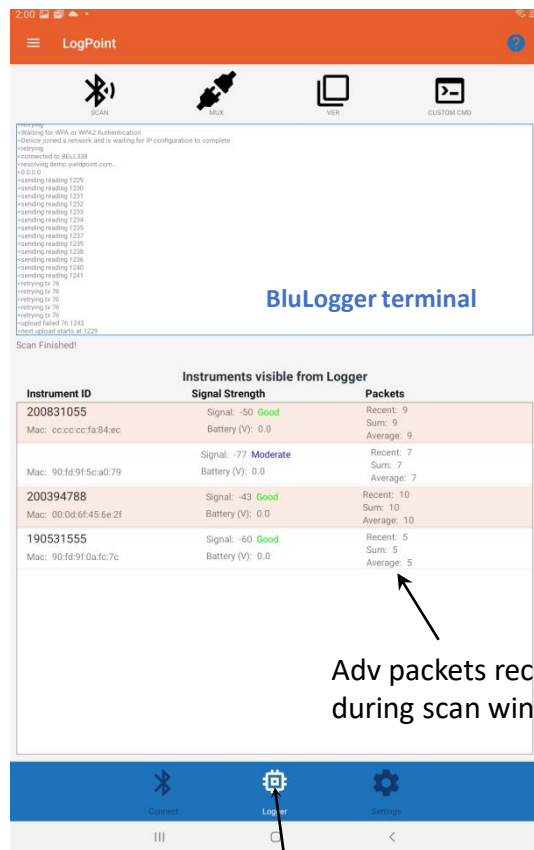
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BluLogger terminal

d2EXT0 + BluLink

BluWire

dExt0 + BluLink

Adv packets received
during scan window

The Logger Button

Custom commands:

SCAN BluLogger will scan all instruments within a 100m radius of the BluLogger.

Important: The BluLogger (BT 5) will detect instruments that the Android device (BLE 4.2) will not.

SYNC Sync the time/date on the BluLogger with this Android device

VER Returns the BluLogger Firmware Version

CUSTOM Send a custom BluLogger Command.

Send Custom Command

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CANCEL OK

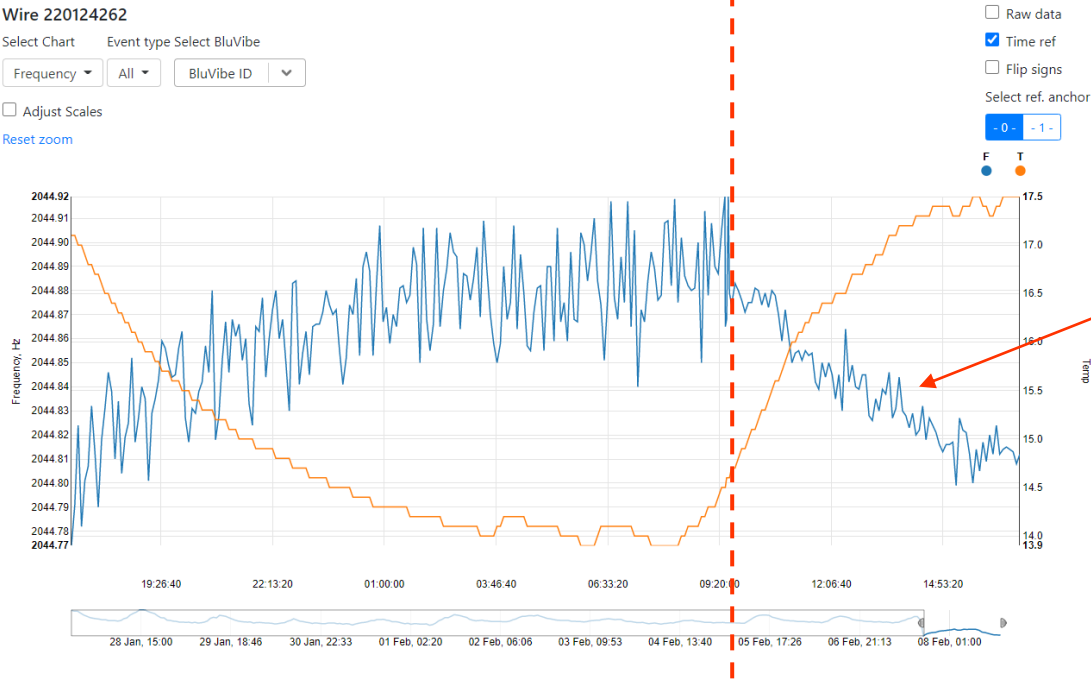
VW Range setup

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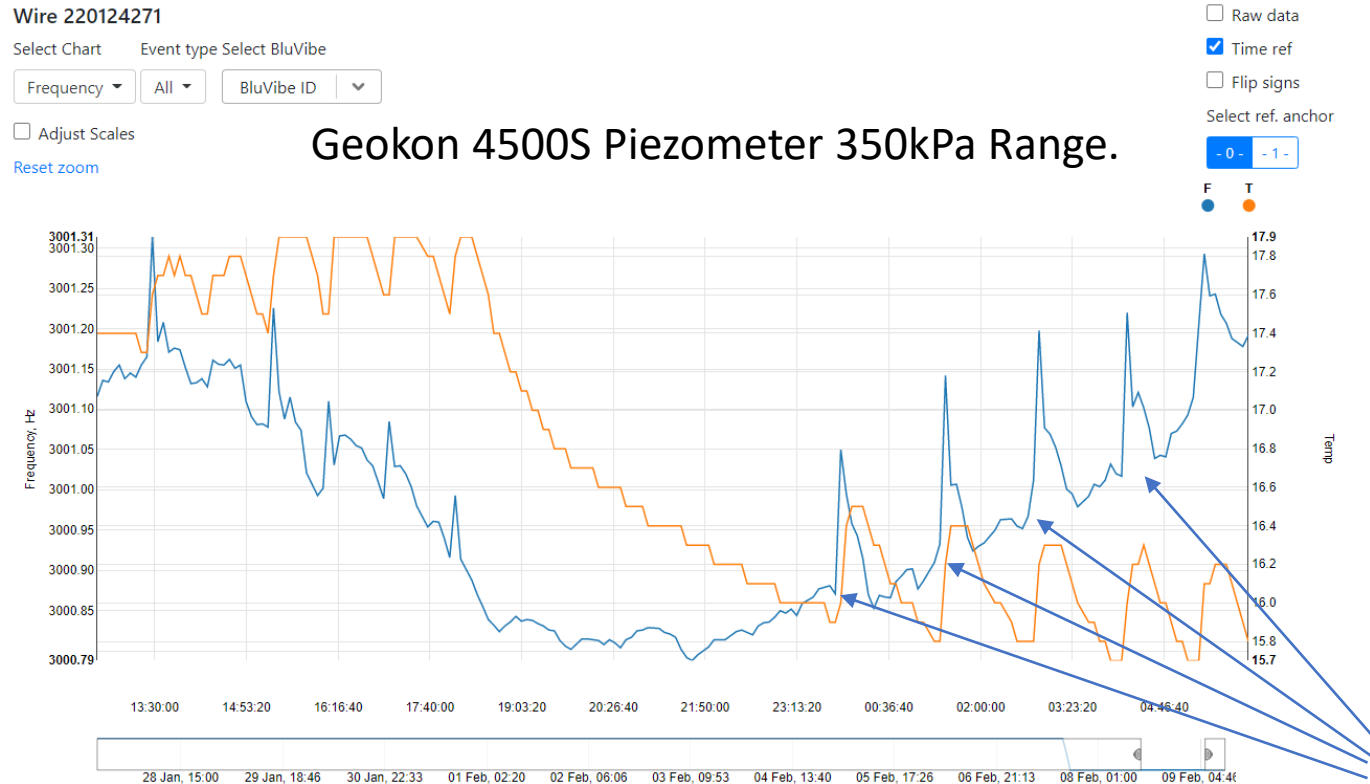
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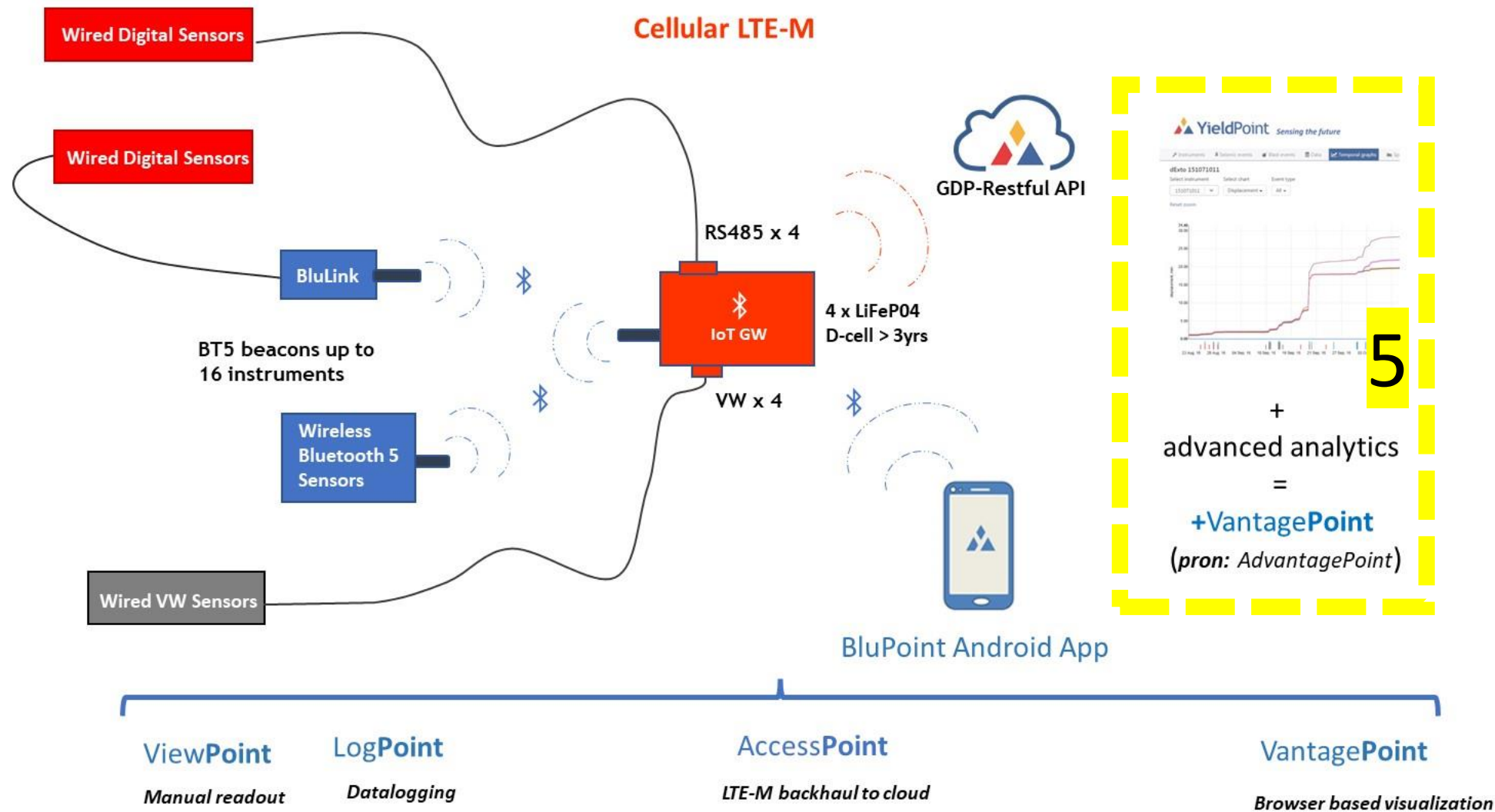
Reduced noise due to lower frequency range for excitation chirp

Output from Roctest PWL -70kPa vented piezometer

VW Range setup



ΔP due to Indoor Heating
system cycles



Instruments



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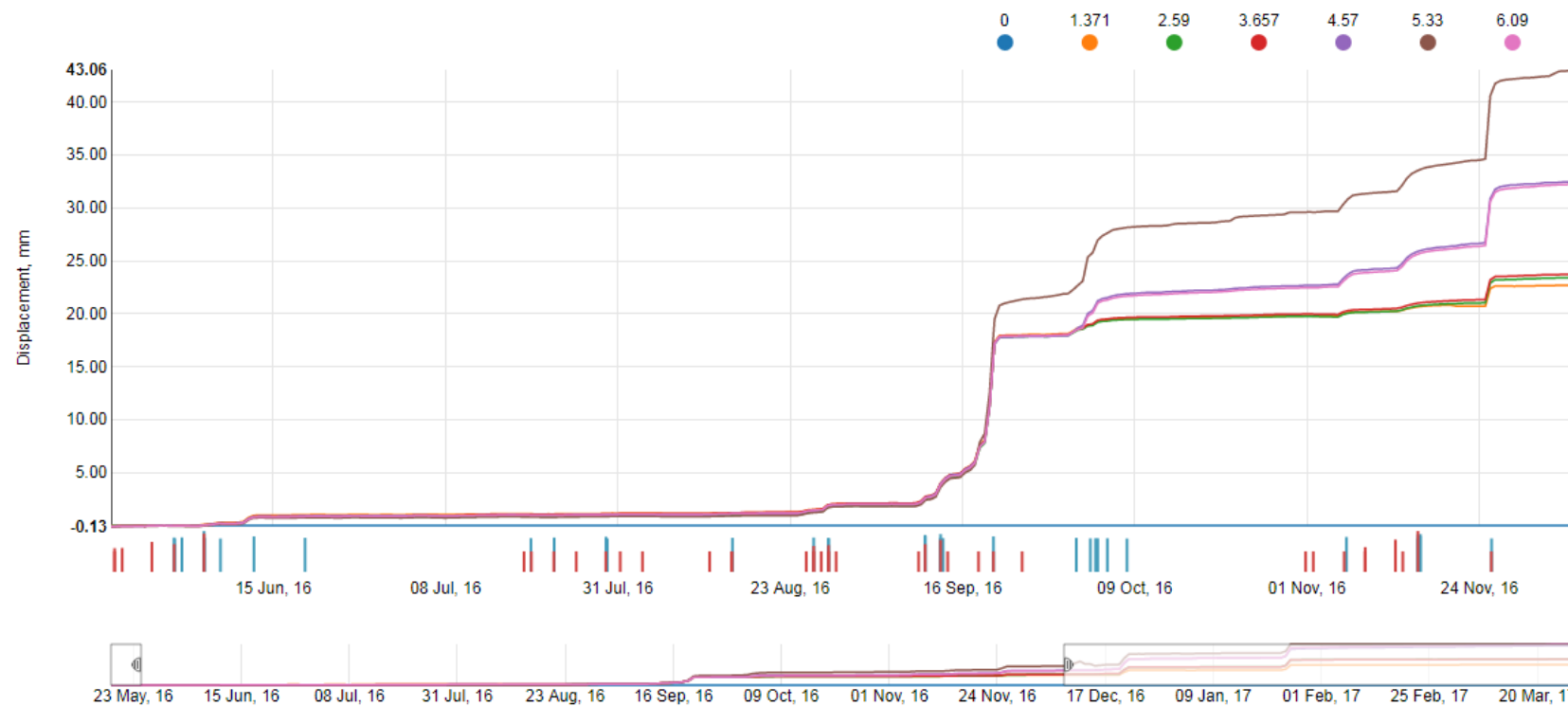
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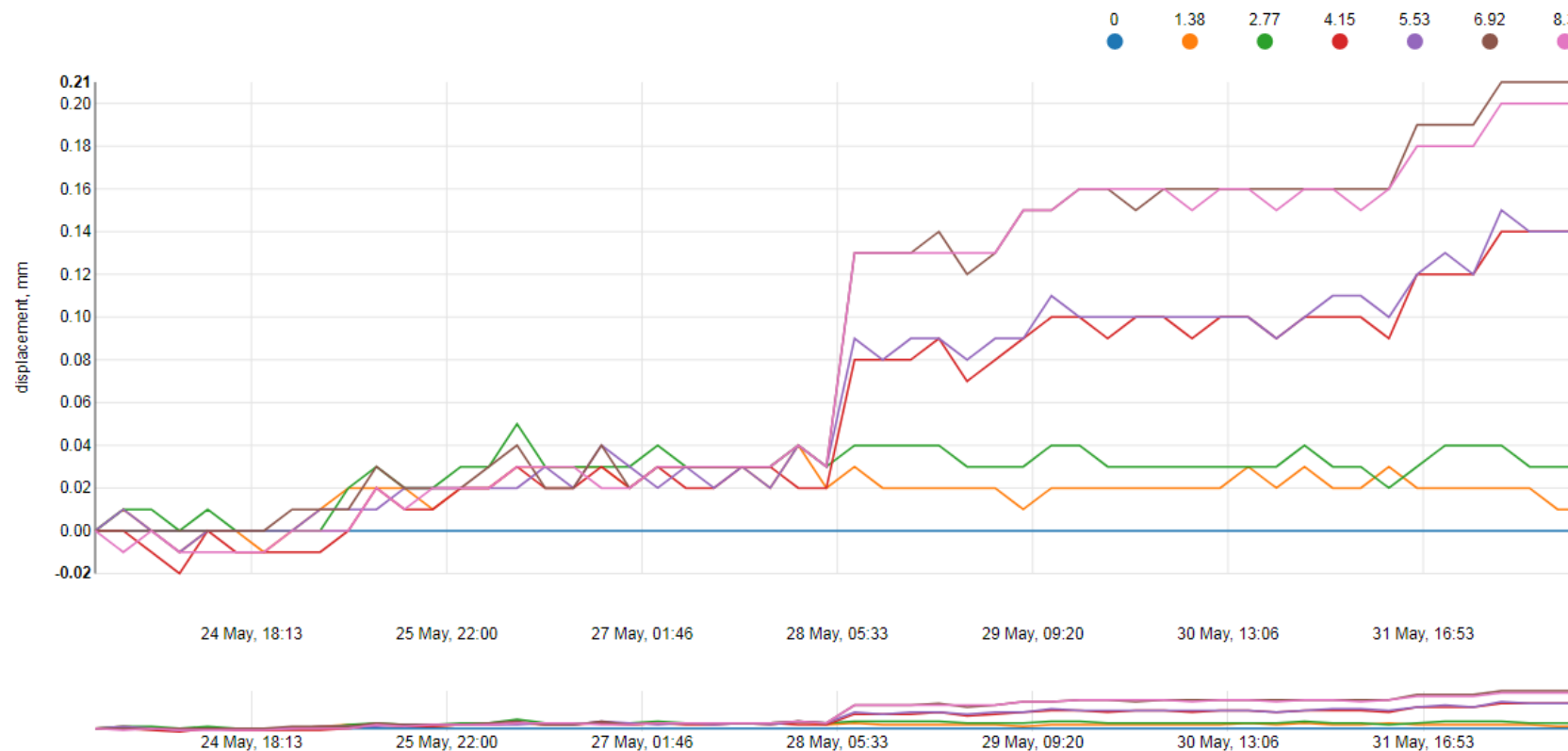
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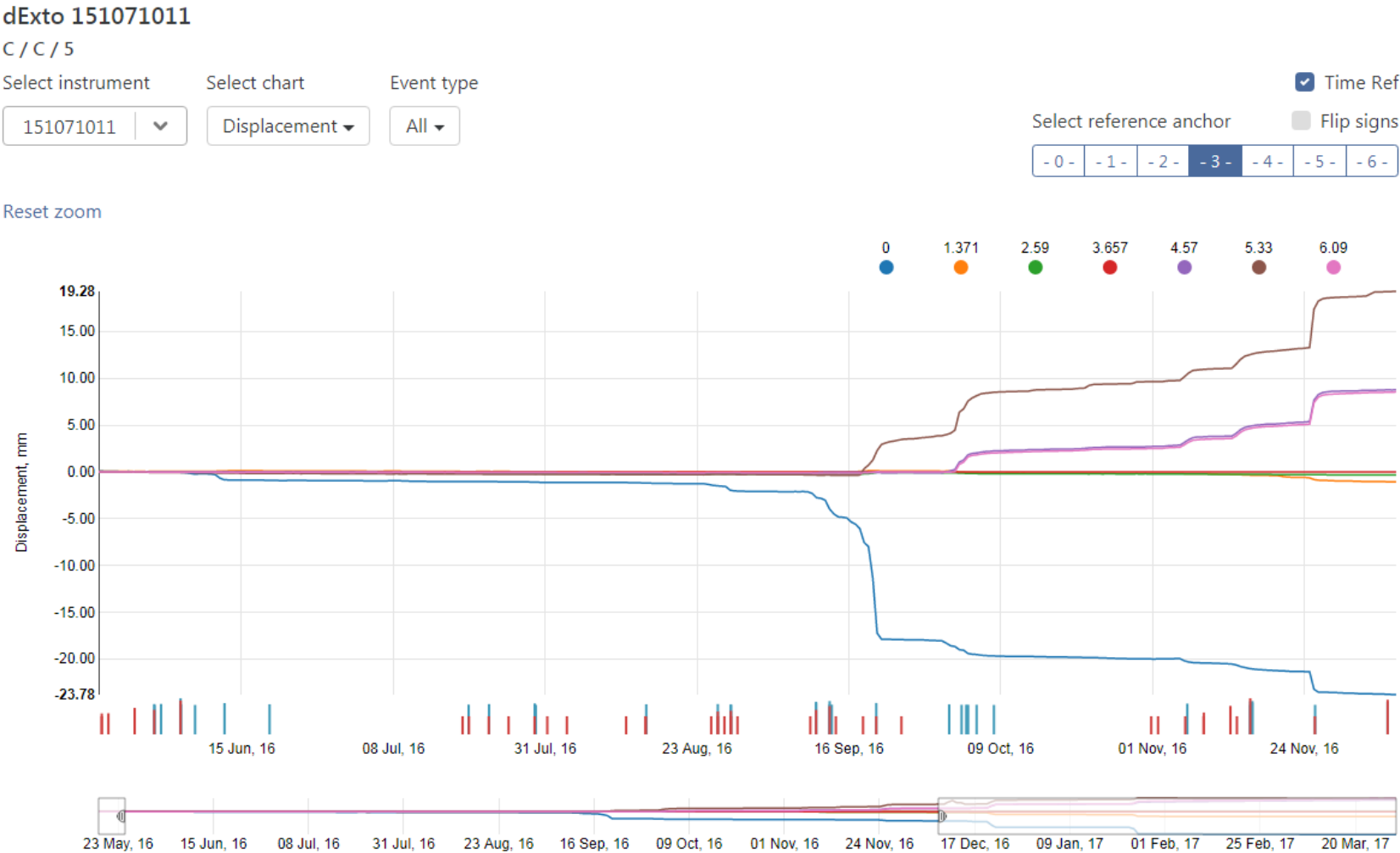
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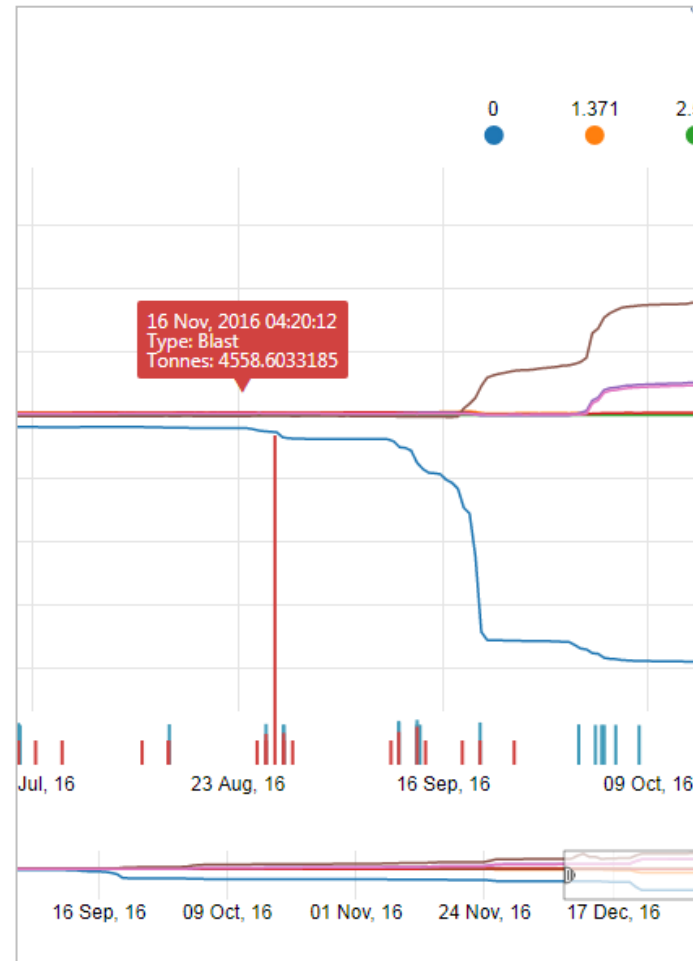
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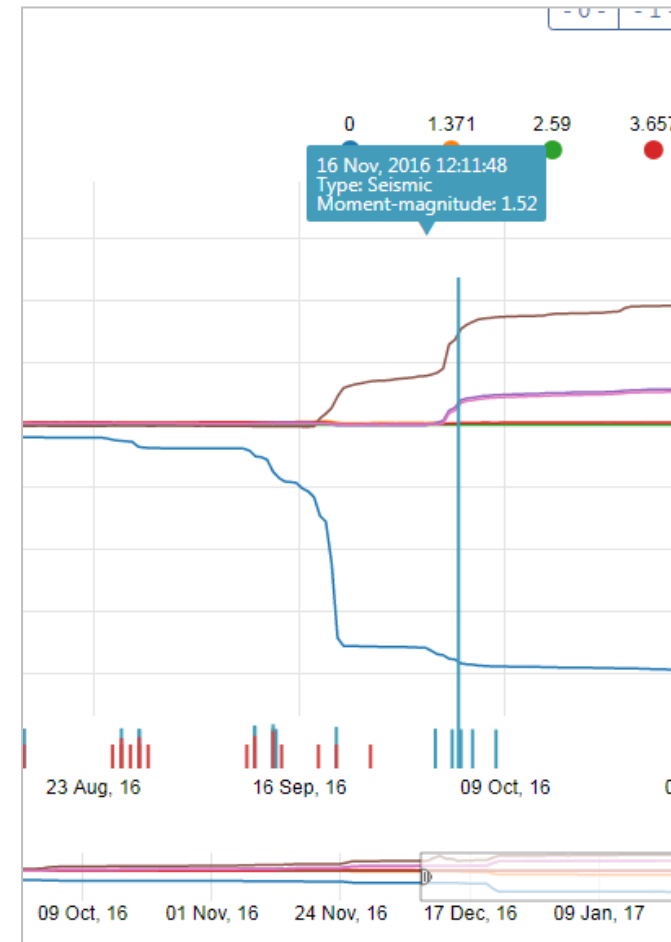
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Blasting event



Seismic event



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C / C / 5

Select instrument

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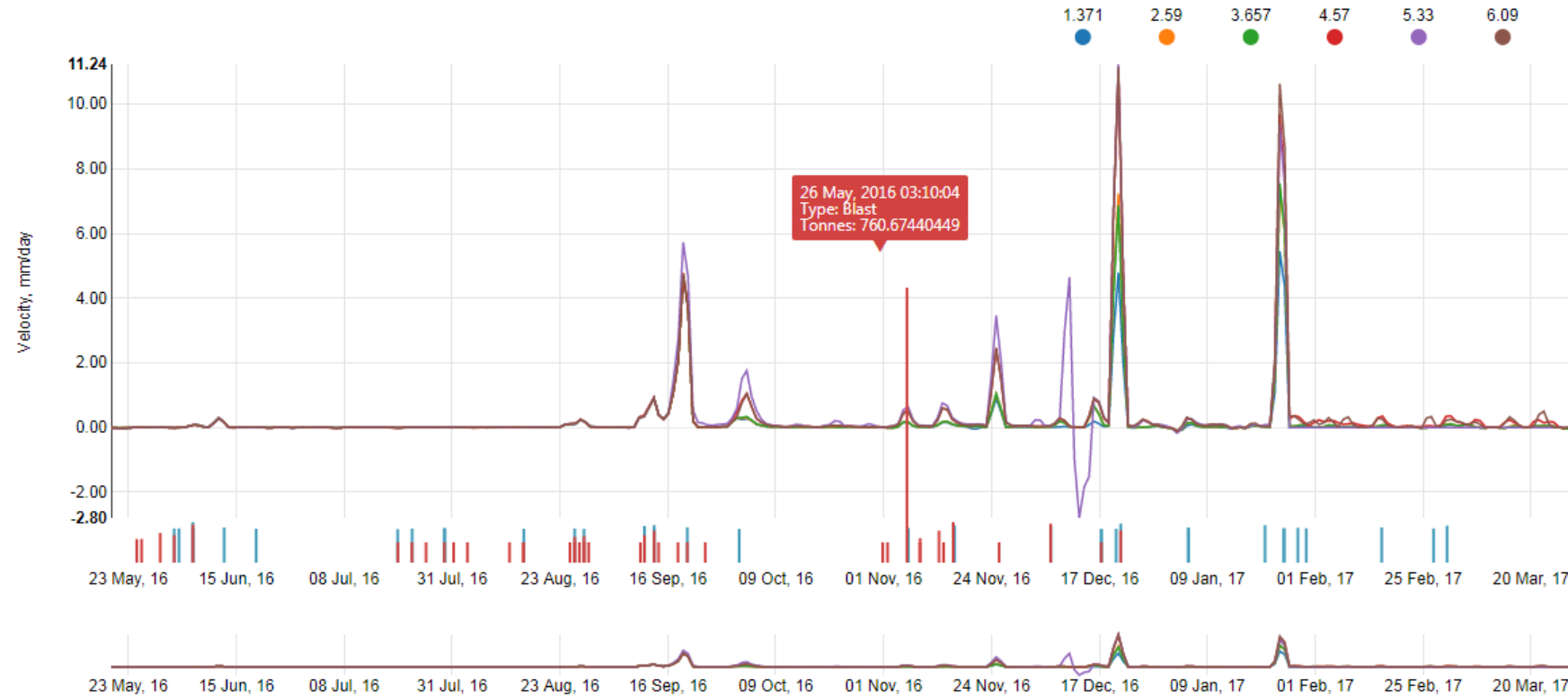
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Velocity

Event type

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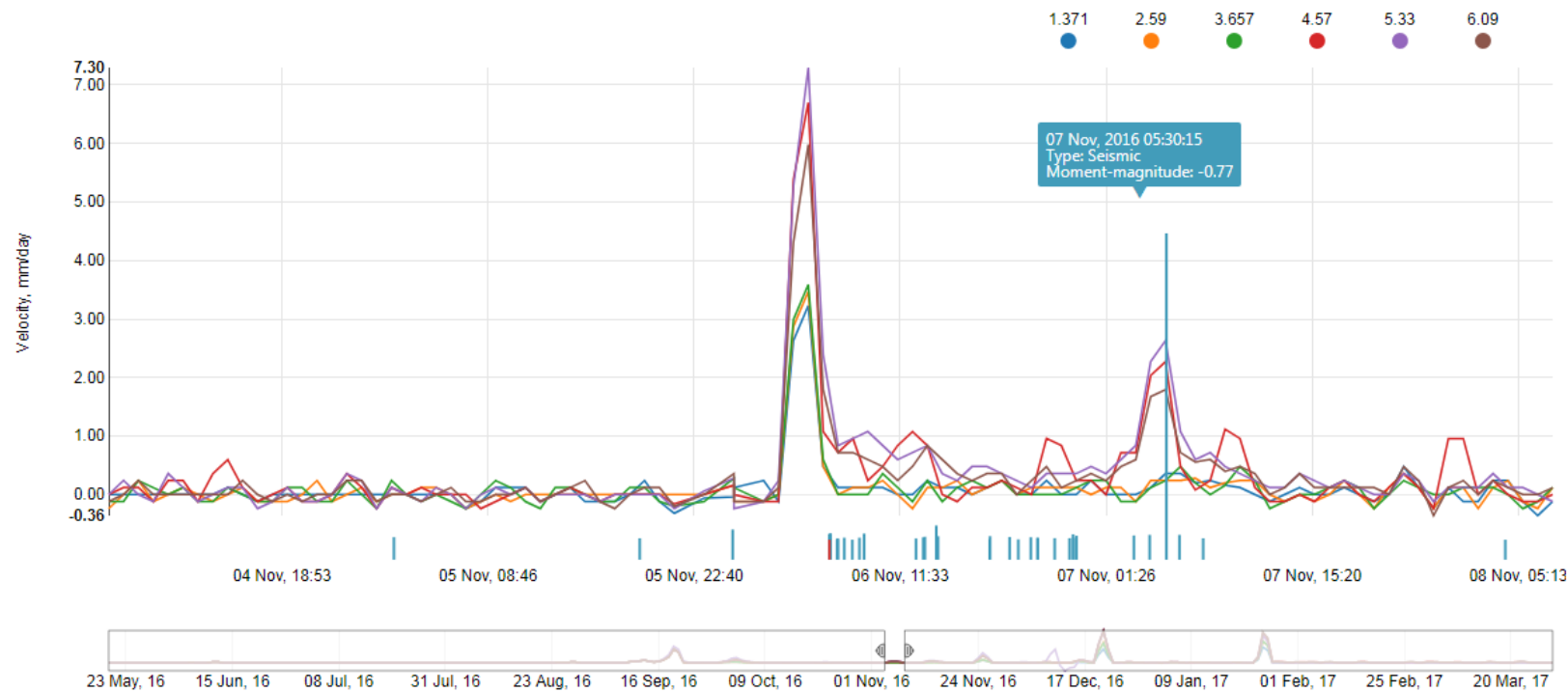
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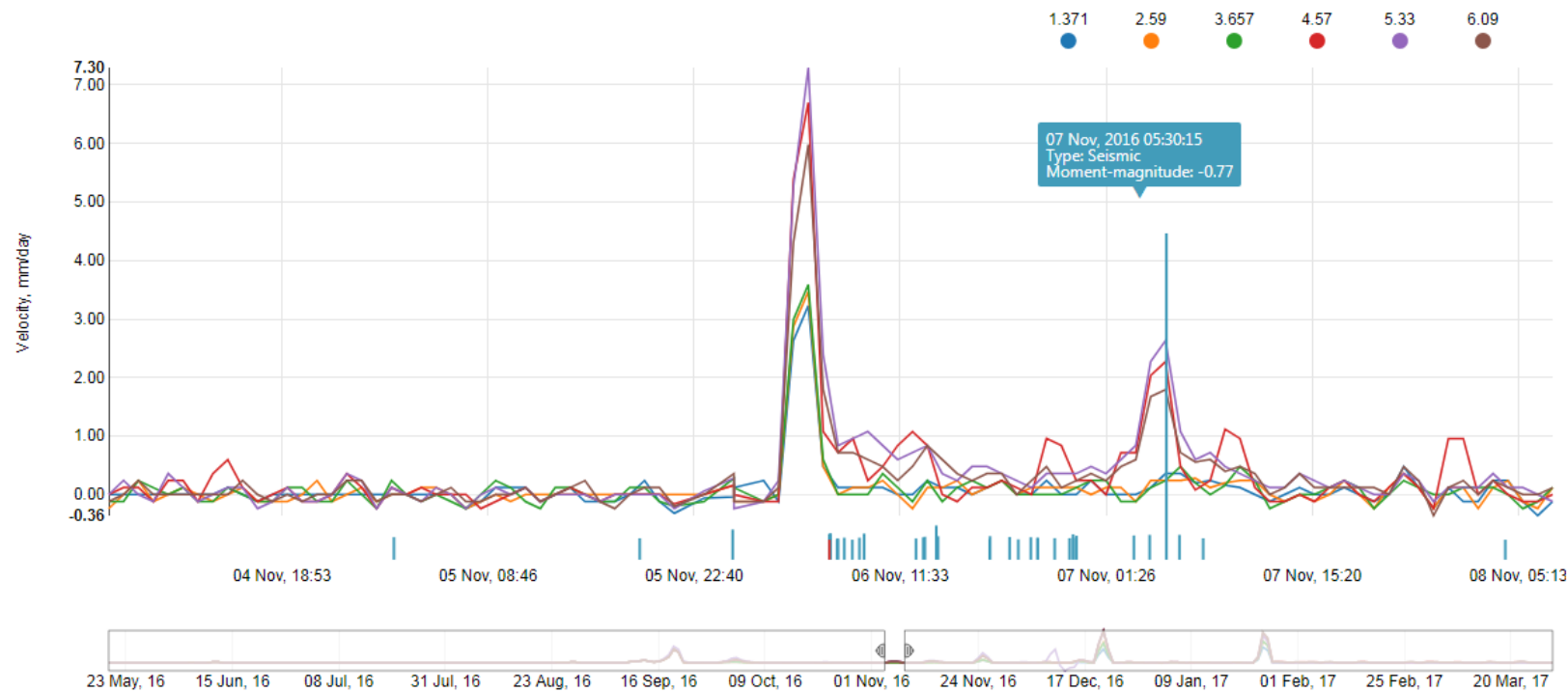
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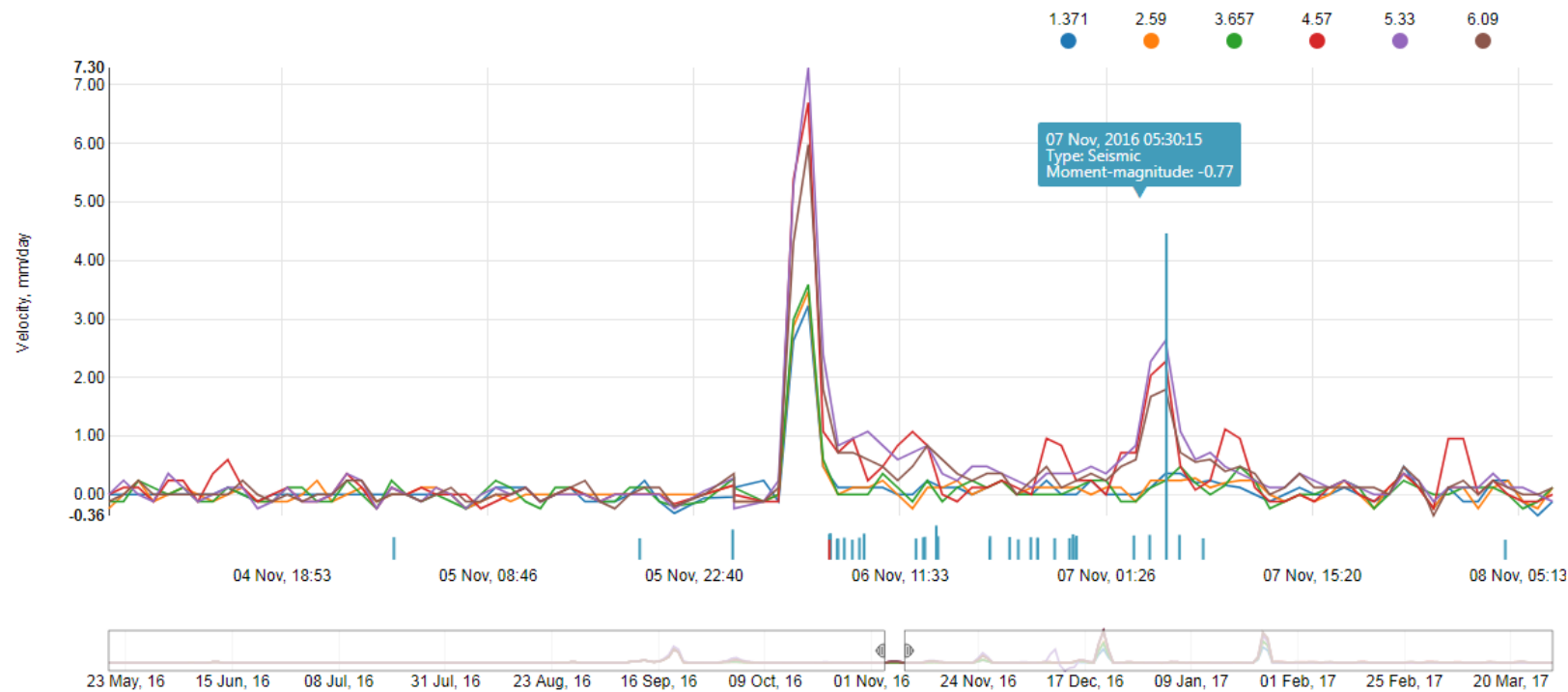
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1for1 Radio



1for1 Ethernet Gateway

Ethernet gateways are used to push data to the VantagePoint either via our 1 for 1 borehole radios or directly with lead wires.

Bluetooth BLE5 Data Acquisition (DAQ) unit monitoring at 1 reading/sec.

- Magnetostrictive displacement sensor
- 10,000 psi pressure transducer
- Custom engineered fixtures to secure displacement sensor to the hydraulic cylinder.
- Optional load cells.
- Easy-to-use software operating on included Android tablet.
- Rugged design for underground application.
- Hardened carrying case.

