

# An Overview of Hardware Platforms Used In Wireless Sensor Nodes

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**Abstract**— In spite of the large amount of papers covering topics related to wireless sensor networks, a comprehensive overview of hardware platforms used to implement the network nodes is missing. There are several papers presenting particular approaches to implement wireless sensor nodes, there are also a few papers giving a brief presentation of hardware platform evolution in the last decade. This paper gives a survey of available hardware platforms, overviews their sensing, computing and communicating capabilities and focuses on the devices used to implement these platforms.

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