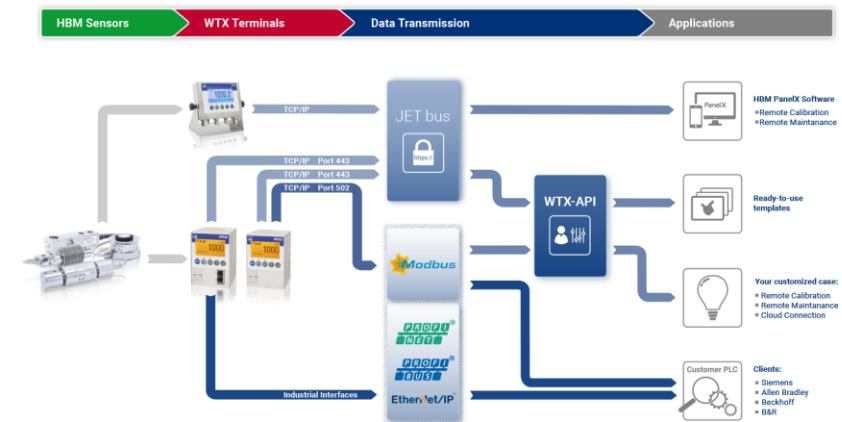


# WEBINAR: WTX API

## HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN WEIGHING-APPLICATION USING THE OPEN SOURCE WTX API

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# Industrial revolutions

1.

- ~1700
- Water & Steam powered mechanical manufacturing facilities

2.

- ~1900
- Introduction of electrically-powered mass production based on division of labor

3.

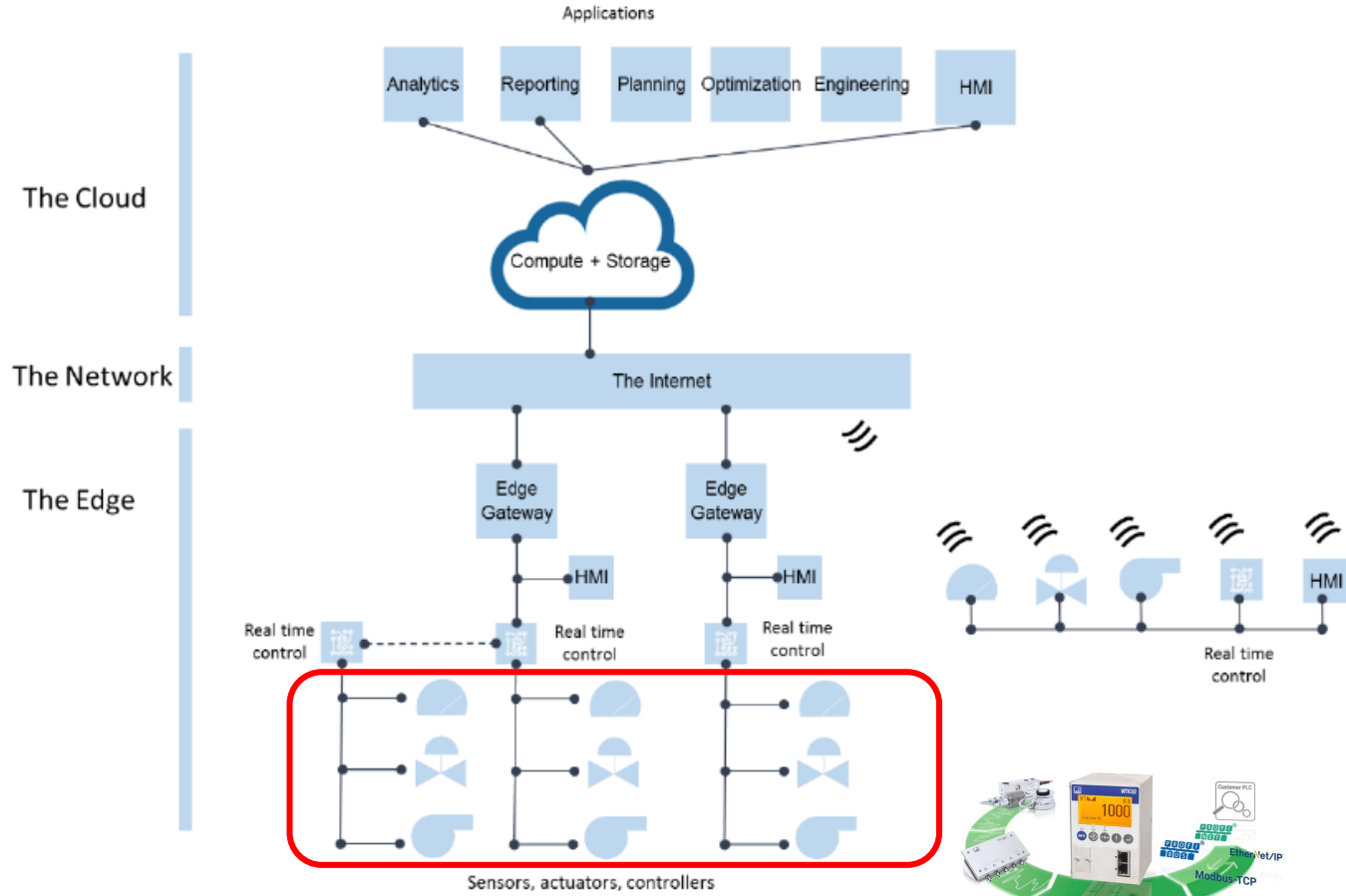
- ~1970
- Electronics and IT to achieve automation of manufacturing

4.

- today
- Cyber-Physical Systems  
(Internet 4.0 / Industrial internet of things IIoT)

# Where is weighing within the cyber physical system?

▲ [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Industrial\\_internet\\_of\\_things](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Industrial_internet_of_things)



# Weighing 4.0 – What for...?

- ▲ IIoT – Central and decentral accessibility
  - R&D test & optimizing
  - Initial start up / commissioning
  - (Remote) service with status signals and messages
  - Back-Ups or upgrades
  - Cloud access
  - Database-connection, ERP-access, etc.



# Weighing 4.0 – And now...?

- ▲ Endless possibilities – including Big Data Analysis
  - Do I even need all available data?
  - How can I adapt, structure and scale this data to my needs?
  - Is my data really secure?
  - Is it reasonable for me to invest in Big Data?
  - Which role will notified bodies play in the future in terms of recertification?



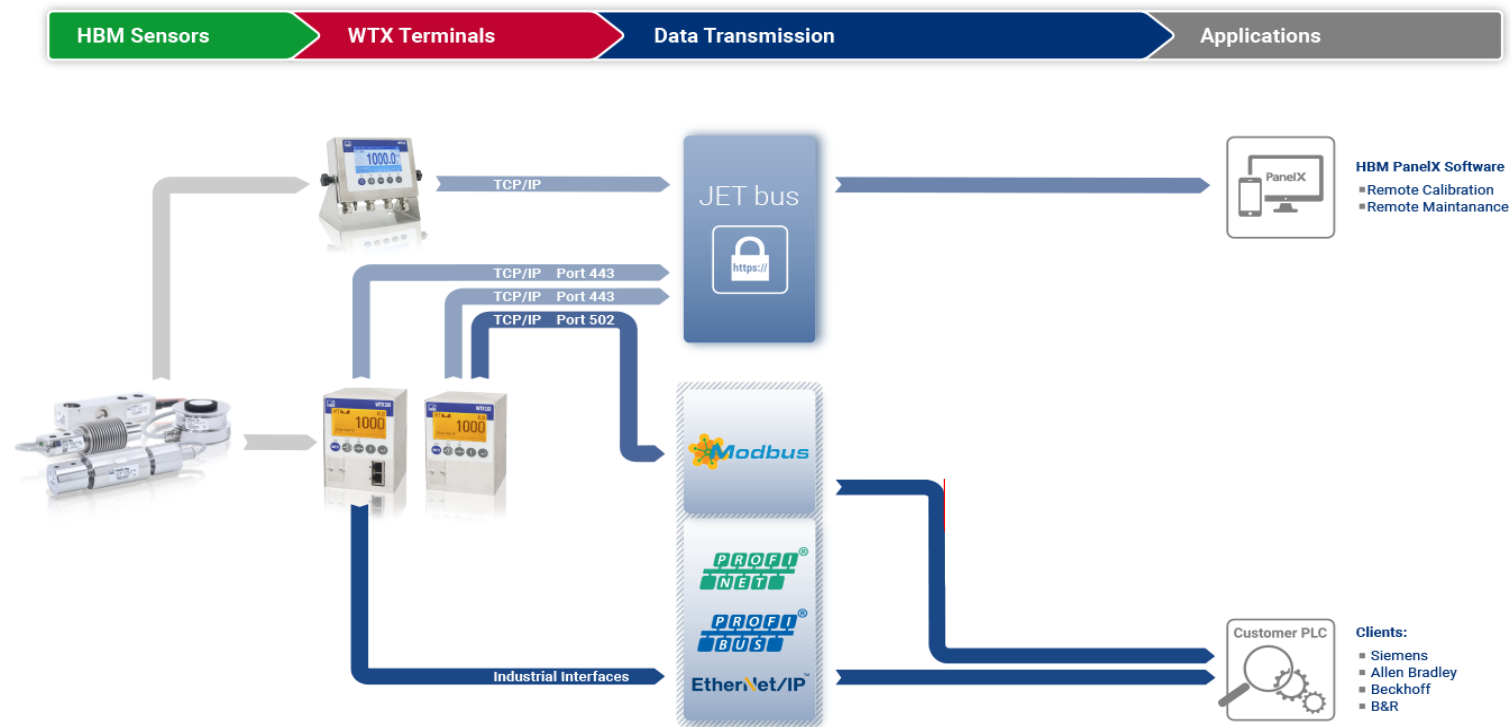
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# What is the WTX-API?

- ▲ The WTX-API is an **A**pplication **P**rogramming **I**nterface
- ▲ The WTX-API extends all HBM WTX-containing measuring chains with an Open Source Interface based on Ethernet TCP/IP JET bus and Websockets
- ▲ For the WTX-API free and tested source-code templates and programming samples are available
- ▲ The WTX-API is fully Open Source (MIT Licence: fully useable, even commercially!)



# The new WTX-API

## ▲ Facts & Advantages

- The API can be used without any additional costs for all WTX terminals
- The API can be used right now
- Depending on the device the API can be used in parallel to industrial ethernet communication (i.e. Profinet, EtherNet/IP, Profibus)



HBM Messkette mit WTX110

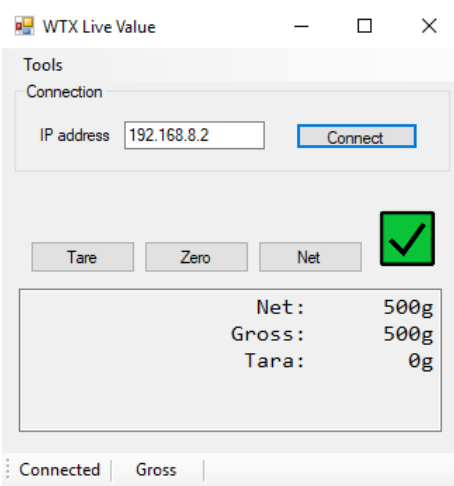


HBM Messkette mit WTX120

# Free open source templates

## More facts and advantages:

- The API comes with 3 open source (and proven in use) programming-examples
- Open Source Samples can be adapted to your needs
- Programming your own app is of course possible as well



„Easy to Start“  
For beginners

Input Word	Input Name	Input Type	Input Bit	Input Interface call routine
0	Measured Value	Int32	32Bit	IDevice_Values.NetValue
2	Measured Value	Int32	32Bit	IDevice_Values.GrossValue
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.0	IDevice_Values.general_weight_error
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.1	IDevice_Values.scale_alarm_triggered
4	DS461-Weight status	Bits	2:3	IDevice_Values.limit_status
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.4	IDevice_Values.weight_moving
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.5	IDevice_Values.scale_seal_is_open
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.6	IDevice_Values.manual_tare
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.7	IDevice_Values.weight_type
4	DS461-Weight status	Bits	8:9	IDevice_Values.scale_range
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.10	IDevice_Values.zero_required
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.11	IDevice_Values.weight_within_the_center_of_zero
4	DS461-Weight status	Bit	.12	IDevice_Values.weight_in_zero_range
5	Measured value status	Bits	0:1	IDevice_Values.application_mode
5	Measured value status	Bits	4:6	IDevice_Values.decimals
5	Measured value status	Bits	7:8	IDevice_Values.unit
5	Measured value status	Bit	.14	IDevice_Values.handshake

„Data word structure“  
For PLC professionals

```
Options to set the device : Enter the following keys:  
0-Choose the number of bytes read from the register |  
9-Taring | 1-Gross/net | 2-Zeroing | 3- Adjust zero | 4-Adjust nominal |  
5-Activate Data | 6-Manual taring | 7-Weight storage  
  
Net values: 999 As an Integer: 999  
Gross value: 999 As an Integer: 999  
General weight error: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Scale alarm triggered: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Scale seal is open: 1 As an Integer: 1  
Manual tare: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Weight type: gross As an Integer: 0  
Scale range: Range 1 As an Integer: 0  
Zero required/True zero: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Weight within center of zero: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Weight in zero range: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Application mode: Standard As an Integer: 0  
Decimal places: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Unit: 0 As an Integer: 1  
Handshake: 0 As an Integer: 0  
Status: Execution OK! As an Integer: 1  
Limit status: Weight within limits As an Integer: 0  
Weight moving: 0=Weight is not moving. As an Integer:0
```

„Console Status“  
For specialists

# Predefined functionalities

- ▲ The API also comes with predefined functionalities that give you easy and quick access to every function of the WTX

```
1 reference
private void TareButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ...
    _wtxDevice.Tare();
}

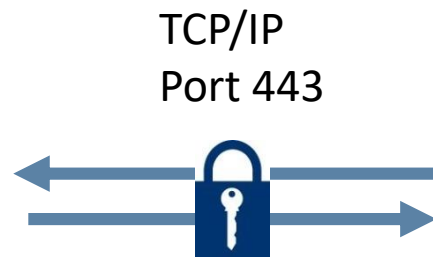
1 reference
private void ZeroButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ...
    _wtxDevice.Zero();
}
```

```
ModbusTCPConnection _modbusConnection = new ModbusTCPConnection(this._ipAddress);

_wtxDevice = new WTXModbus(_modbusConnection, this._timerInterval, this.update);
```

# The new WTX-API – how secure is my data?

- ▲ Device-Identification via Certification Authority (CA) is integrated into the WTX
- ▲ 2-Way End-to-End encryption via SSL 2.0
- ▲ Standard https:// port 443
- ▲ Additional security features like passwords, limited number of clients or even locking the device completely



## Client(s)

- PanelX
- WTX Mobile
- Cloud Access
- Databases
  - ERP
  - usw.

- ✓ State of the art decentral device access
- ✓ Matches the WELMEC 7.2 Software Guide requirements
- ✓ Future-proof as certificates can be updated

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# Weighing 4.0 - Core Elements

- ▲ Sensors are the key element!
  - Analog or digital (smart) load cells
  - Weighing terminals for analog or digital load cells
  - Accessories



## 1. HBM Sensors



## 3. Accessories



## 2. WTX Terminals



# WTX-API – Your way towards weighing 4.0

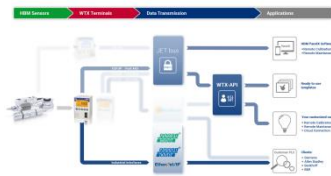
The path towards your first weighing 4.0 application:

## Step 1 Measuring chain



## Step 2 Infrastructure

- Windows PC
- Ethernet TCP/IP
- Accessories ... Router, Patch cable, etc.
- PanelX „Out of the Box“ & free



PanelX



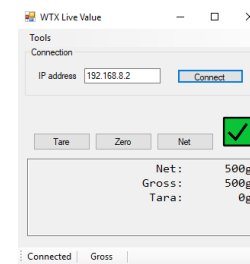
## Step 3 Software & API

- Win7, Win10 + .net framework 4.5
- Visual Studio
- „Ready to Use“ Samples / Source Code
- „Ready to Use“ DLLs



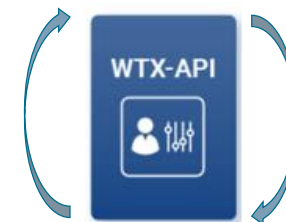
## Step 4 First application

- Aprox. 5 minutes for your first application



## Step 5 Your Future

- Cloud Access
- Databases
- ERP
- Big Data
- etc.

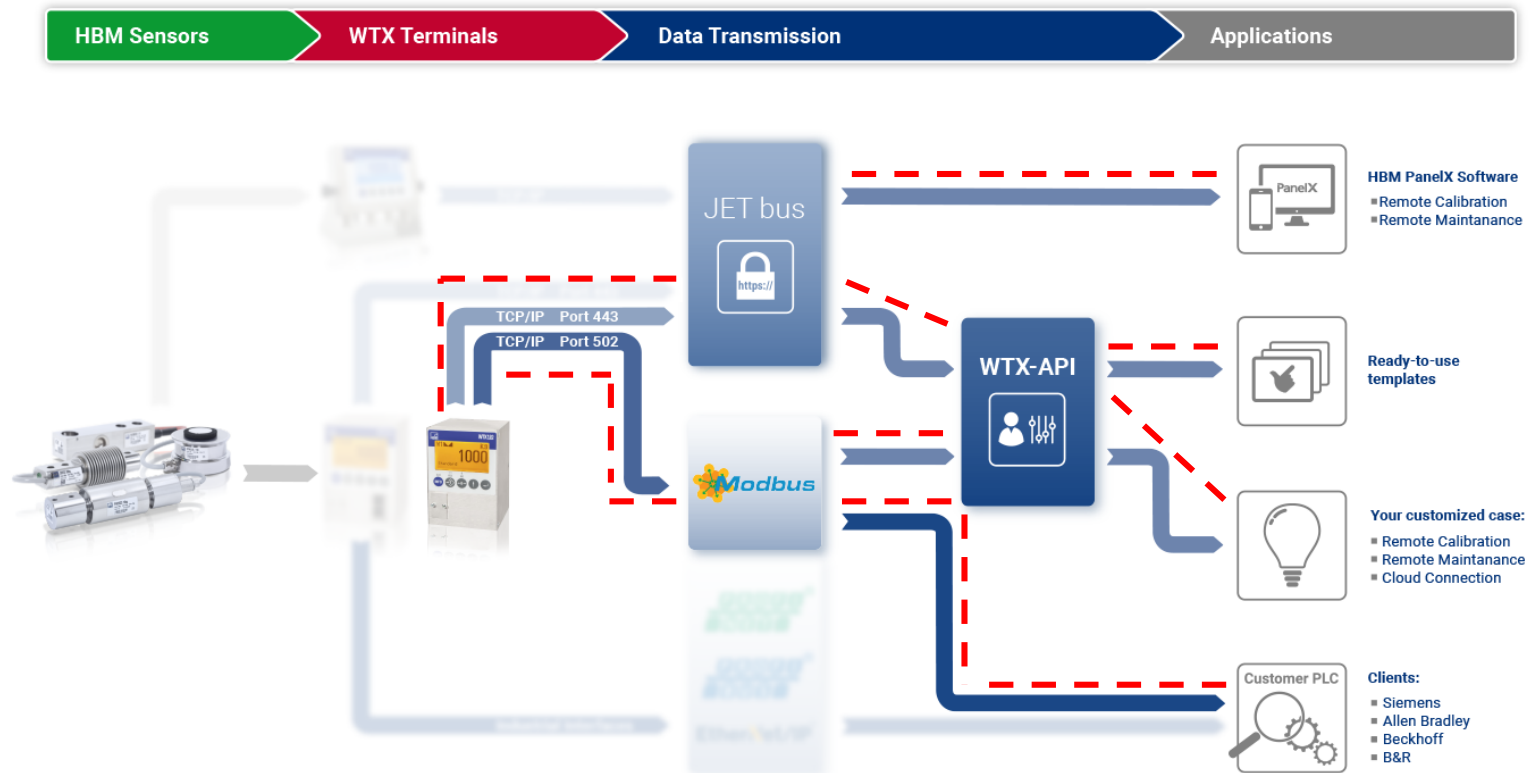




# WTX-API – Network structure: Single Channel

Single Channel: TCP/IP for PanelX, Modbus-TCP + WTX-API

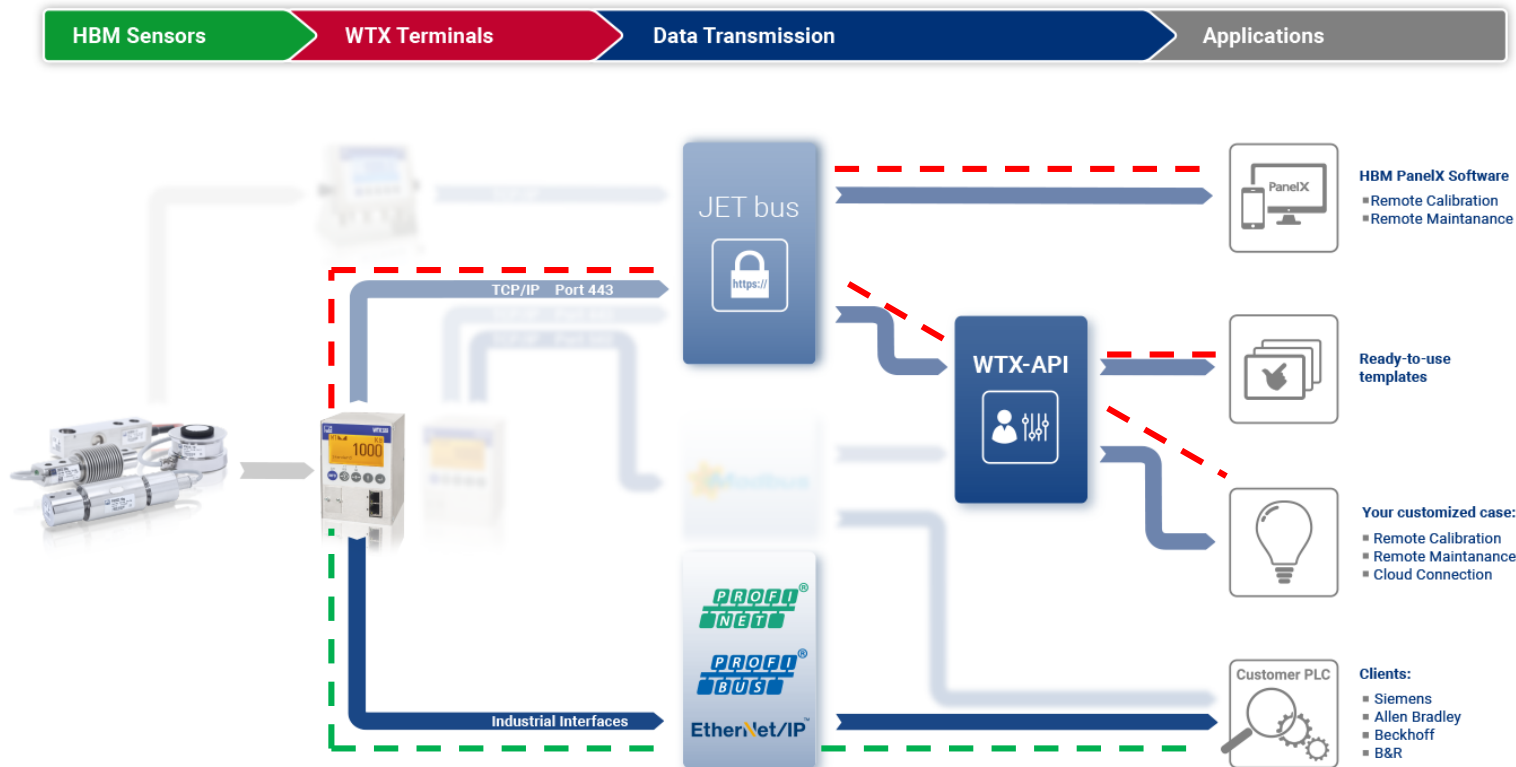
- Connectivity to Databases and Cloud, Stand-Alone PLCs etc.
- Simple and scale-able



# WTX-API – Network structure: Dual Channel

Channel 1: Industrial Ethernet for PLCs and controllers to manage the main application

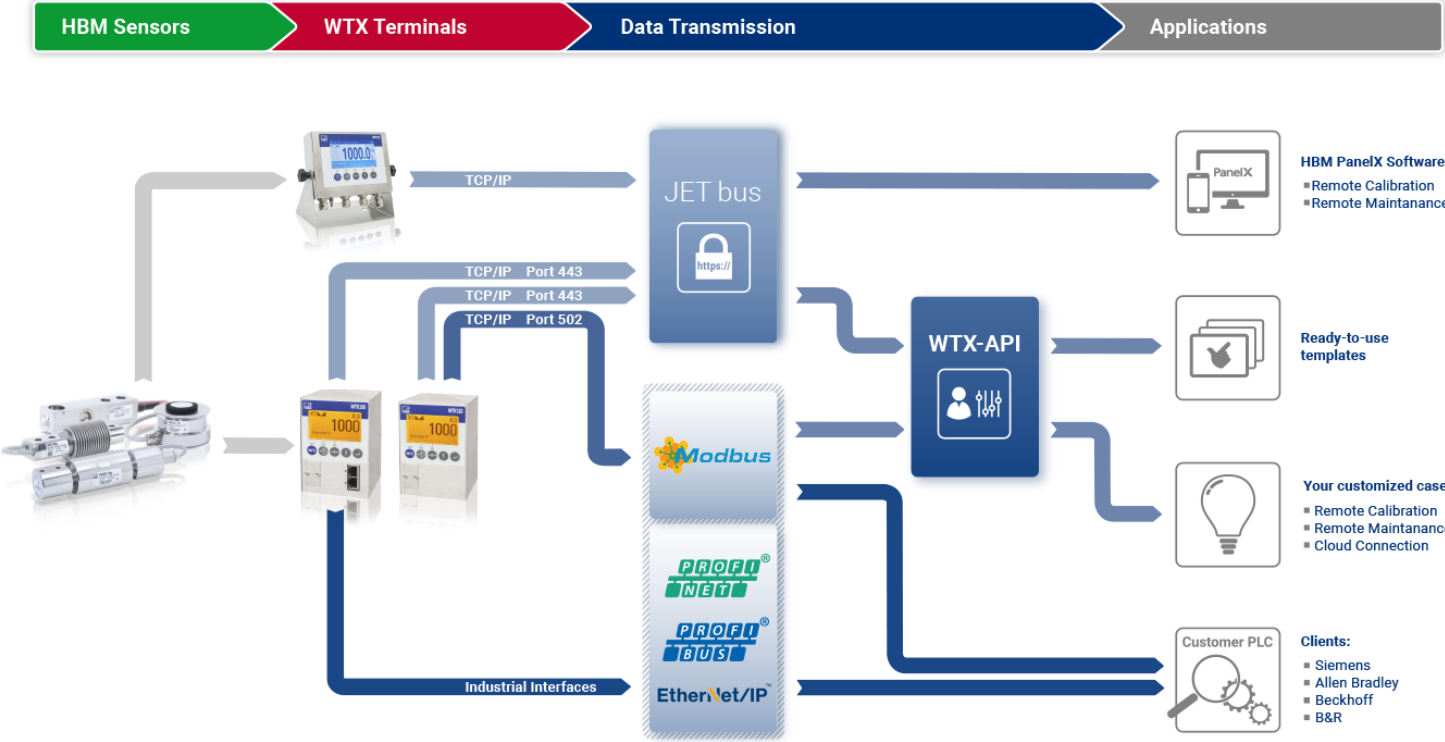
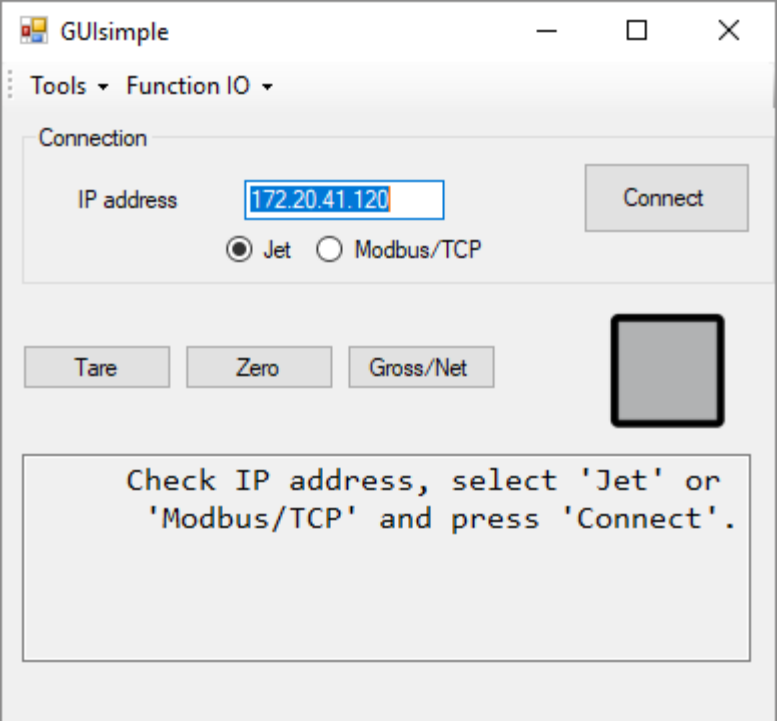
Channel 2: TCP/IP for PanelX and the WTX-API Remote Calibration, Maintenance, Service and Cloud access



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# WTX API – Simple GUI App live demo



# Thank You

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