# Water consumption reduction: electronically controlled drip irrigation systems

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#### Introduction

- Water crisis and its impact on health and the environment
- An engineering contribution

#### Basic aspects

People's limited access to clean drinking water.

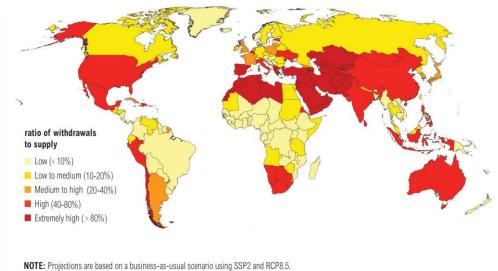
Stressed water systems.

The right to water.



Water Stress by Country: 2040

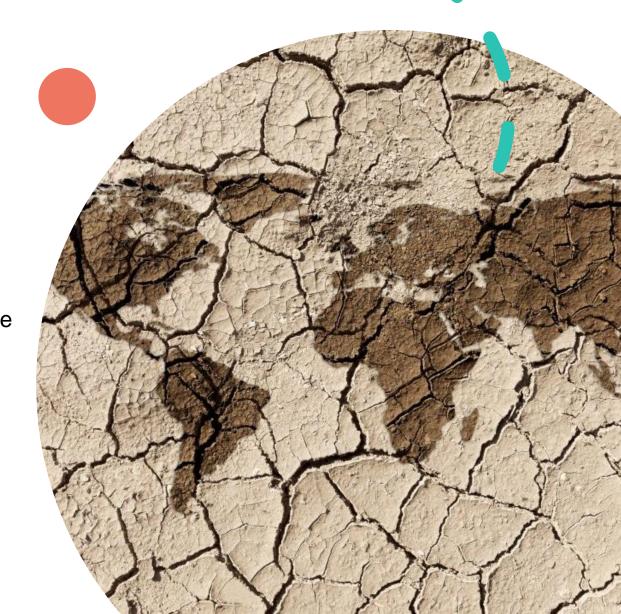




#### Water scarcity

#### Water scarcity WATERAVAILA Availability Access Irregular Inadequate supply infrastructure 29% Lakes & Fresh 3% Rivers <1% Frozen 70% Oceans 97%

### Basic aspects



## An engineering contribution: automated drip irrigation system

Map of the presentation













Definition

Basic aspects

Differences with traditional systems

Advantages
Water and soil issues
Cropping and cultural practices
System infrastructure

Disadvantages
Water and soil issues
Cropping and cultural practices
System infrastructure

Soil and
Environmental
Parameters
Involved
System design
considerations

Electronic characteristics Automation platform Sensors

System
Architecture

Automation
system
assembly

General system
assembly



#### Definition

- Subsurface drip irrigation system
- Composition
- Development

#### Advantages

- More efficient water use
- Less water quality hazards
- Enhanced plant growth
- Improved fertilizer
- Better weed control



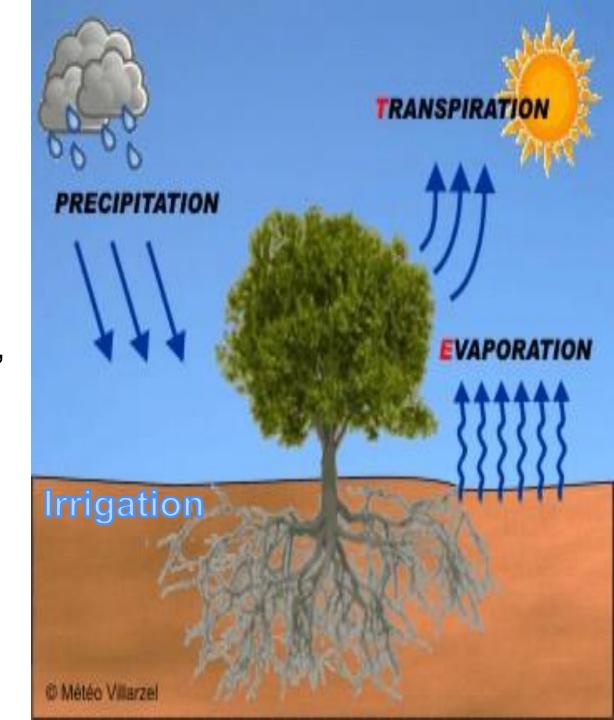
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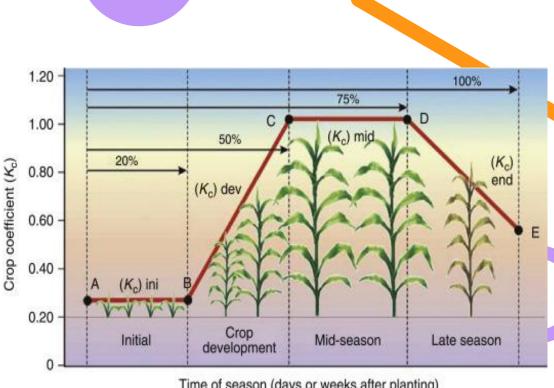
- Small wetting pattern on coarse-textured soils.
- Monitoring and evaluating irrigation events
- Emitter discharge rates
- Location and positioning of the driplines
- Restricted plant root development
- Infrastructure costs.



## Soil and Environmental parameters involved

- Water balance method  $Water\ inputs = water\ outputs$
- Process called "evapotranspiration"
  - Transpiration
  - Evaporation
- Parameters that can affect ET





Time of	season	(days	or weeks	after	planting)	

Crops at different locations	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Haldia												
Kharif rice							*1.15	1.05	1.1	0.95	1.0	
Boro rice	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.0								
Potato	1.05	0.7										'0.7
Sunflower	0.6	1.2	0.8									
Lathyrus	0.3	0000000	promote								*0.5	1.05
Paradip												
Brinjal	*0.35	0.6	0.8	0.95	0.8							
Chilli	0.8									*0.6	0.95	0.9
Ladies finger	*0.5	0.95	0.9	0.8								
Tomato	0.6									*0.4	0.6	1.05
Potato	0.6	1.05	0.7									0.4
Onion	0.55	0.95	0.75									*0.35
Green gram	1.05	0.3										*0.4
Visakhapatnam												
Sugarcane	*0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	1.0	1,0	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.7	0.8	
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Initial crop period

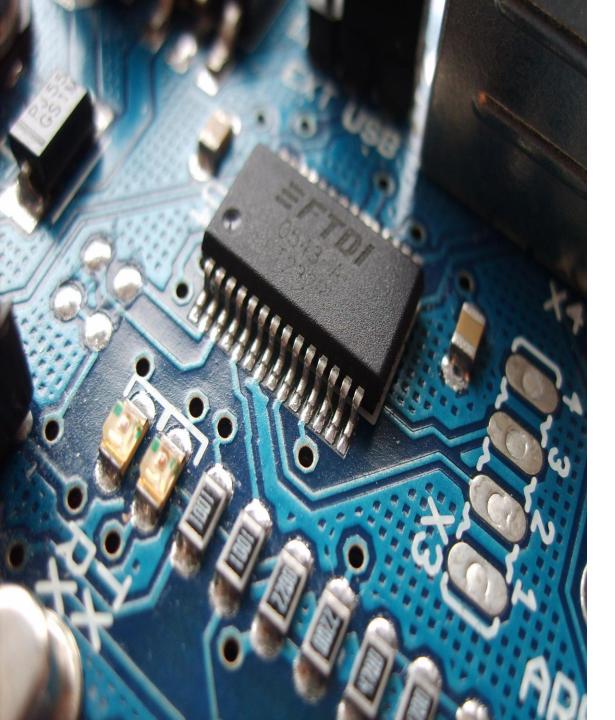
• Evapotranspiration:

 $ET_c = K_c \cdot ET_0$ 

Solar radiation, wind speed, altitude, air temperature and relative humidity

Crop coefficient

Reference evapotranspiration



## Electronic characteristics and system architecture

- Types of microcontrollers
- Components and sensors
- System description
- Functions







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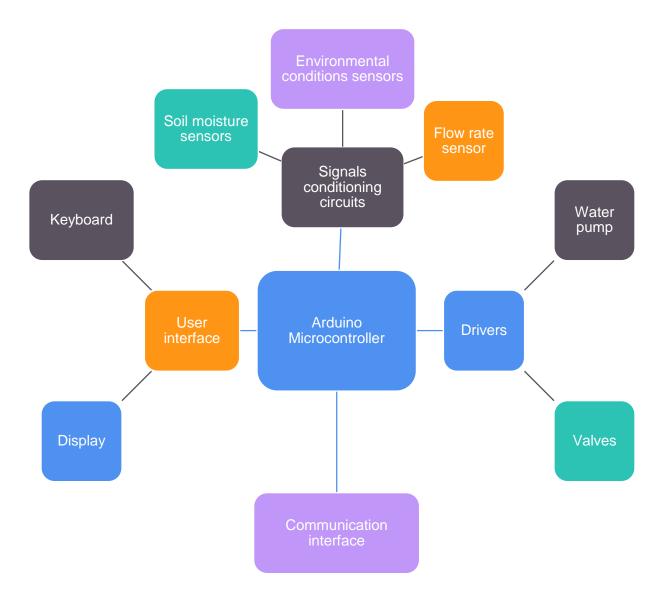


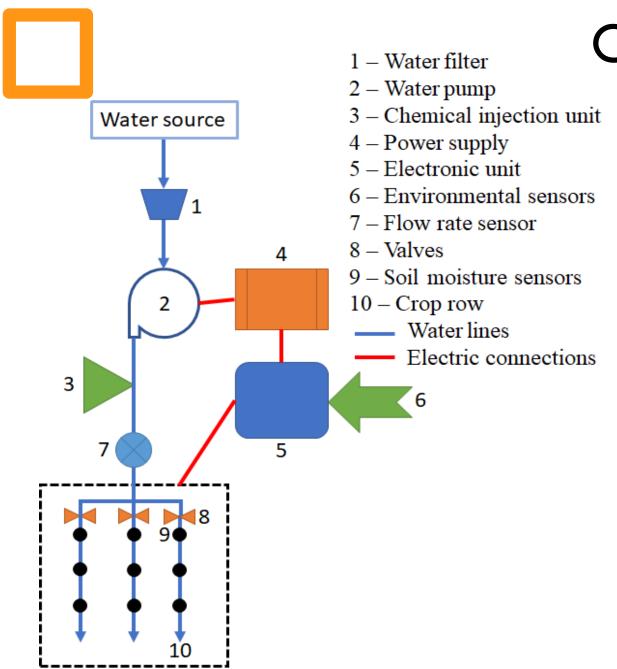


#### Sensors

- Soil moisture sensors:
  - SparkFun Soil Moisture Sensor
  - FC-28 soil moisture sensor
  - Grove Capacitive Soil Moisture Sensor
- Temperature and relative humidity sensors:
  - Adafruit BME280
  - DHT11 and DHT22
- Water flow sensors:
  - YF-S201

### Automation system assembly





### General system assembly

System architecture includes the water management devices and previously described electronic unit.



#### Conclusions

Real time feedback control system.

Effective model for modernizing small and large-scale industries

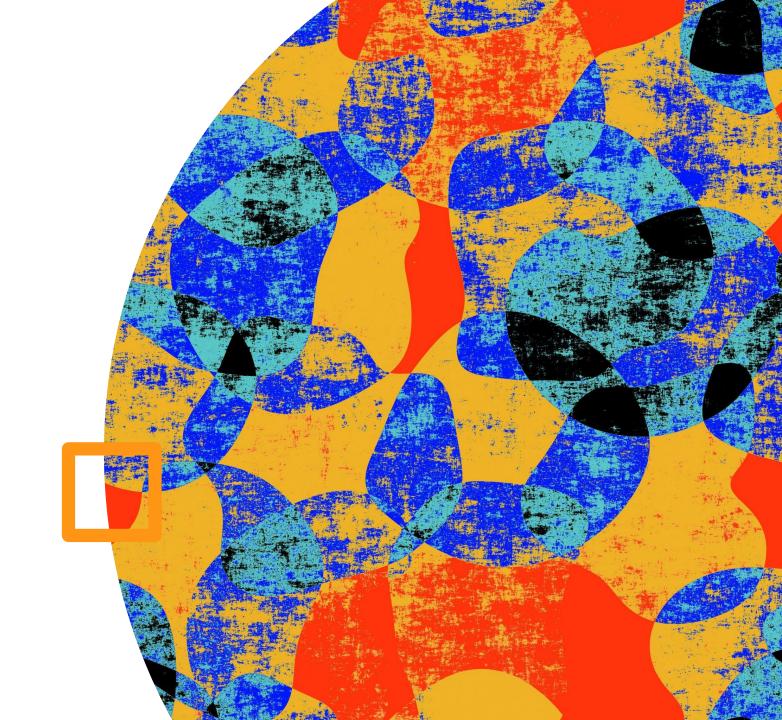
Effective water and resources saving.

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