

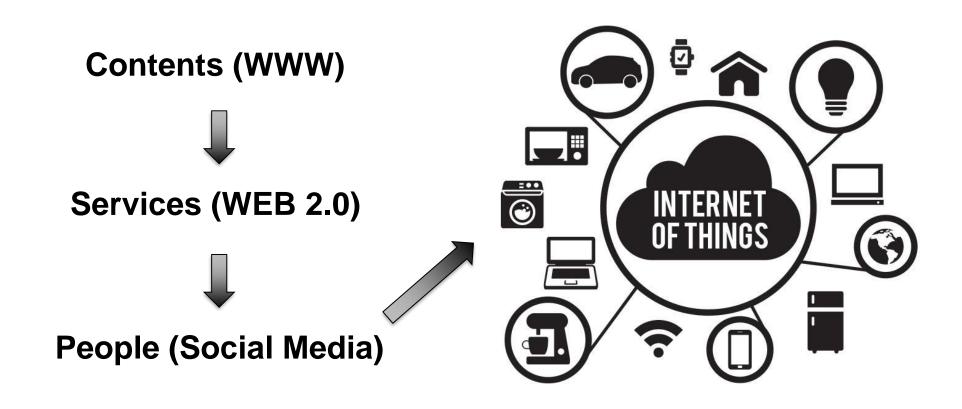
Internet of Things (IoT) Security: Threats, Challenges & Recommendations

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What is the Internet of Things?

Latest evolution of the Internet:

machine to machine / device to device communications



Definition

Wikipedia:

 "Network of physical objects, devices, vehicles, buildings and other items embedded with electronics, software, sensors, and network connectivity that enables these objects to collect and exchange data."

Gartner:

 "Network of physical objects that contain embedded technology to communicate and sense or interact with their internal states or the external environment."

IoT-based DDoS attack are the most powerful

State-of-the-Art DDoS attack: 20 Gbps

January 2016 (new World Hackers)

- IoT-based DDoS against bbc.co.uk
- 600 Gbps (2x previous record)

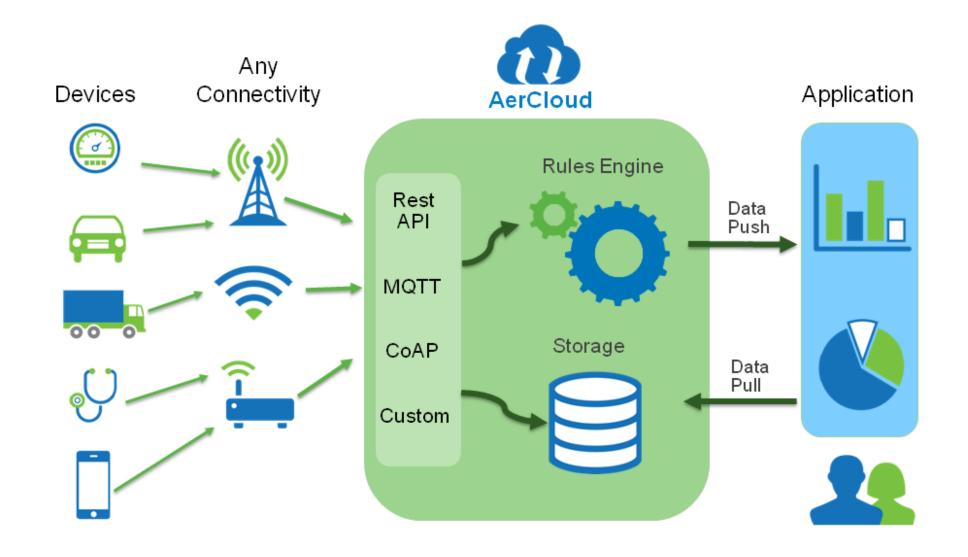
September 2016 (Mirai botnet)

- DDoS against OVH web host
- 1.5 Tbps
- 150,000 loT devices (IP cameras / DVRs) used

October 2016 (Mirai botnet)

- DDoS against Dyn: dynamic DNS service
- 10s of millions of IoT devices (IP address)
- Disrupts service of Twitter, Spotify, Reddit, SoundCloud, PayPal, etc.

IoT ecosystem



Threats & Challenges

IoT specific threats

- Handling of privacy sensitive data
 - Devices (e.g. smart home) are closely tied to users and their environment
 - Capture / analyze / export user related data
- Usage for critical applications
 - Industry: power (e.g. nuclear) plant, water treatment, etc.
 - Autonomous / remotely controllable systems: cars, drones, etc.
- Easy access (physical)
 - Unattended devices (e.g. outdoor)
- Manufactured by non-security (even IT) experts
 - Low security measures implemented
 - E.g. 400,000 D-Link devices (39 models) vulnerable to single flaw^[1]

Increased impact of attack

Decreased effort to attack

[1] http://blog.senr.io/blog/400000-publicly-available-iot-devices-vulnerable-to-single-flaw

IoT heterogeneity

- Entity heterogeneity (3 tiers)^[1]:
 - High-end devices (laptop, smartphone, tablets)
 - Low-end devices (sensors, actuators)
 - Passive entities (barcode, QR-code, RFID)
- Communication heterogeneity:
 - Wired communications (ethernet)
 - Long range wireless communications: WiFi / 3G / 4G
 - Short range wireless communications: Bluetooth (LE) / Zigbee / 6LoWPAN



No single security solution for the "IoT"

Node Constraints [1]

- Maximum code complexity (ROM/Flash)
- Size of state buffers (RAM)
- Amount of computation feasible in a period of time (processing capabilities)
- Available power
- User interface and accessibility in deployment (set keys, update software)

Network Constraints [1]

- Low achievable throughput
- High packet loss
- Asymmetric link characteristics
- Penalties for using large packets (e.g. high packet loss due to link layer fragmentation)
- Reachability over time (wake-up and sleeping time of devices)
- Lack of advance services (e.g. IP multicast)

Designing secure loT systems

Securing the IoT

- System (access control, authentication, etc.)
- Application
- Mobile
- Cloud
- Network (communications)

Recommended approaches

- 1. Threat analysis (e.g. RFC 3552)
- 2. Follow security recommendation (e.g. NIST, IETF, etc.)
- 3. Learn from attacks
- 4. Follow design patterns

1. Threat Analysis

- Define assumptions
 - E.g. "the attacker has complete control of the communication channel"
- Explore scenarios
 - Active vs. passive attacker
 - On-path vs. off-path
- Risk analysis Security requirements
- Fulfill requirements:
 - Authentication
 - Authorization
 - Traffic Security (confidentiality, data-origin, integrity, availability)
 - Non-repudiation (optional)

Threat Analysis: Limitations

Gives theoretic security requirements to meet

But: leaves room for interpretation in implementation

- Which layer to apply security protection to?
- Which existing security frameworks to use?

Complex to perform

- Difficult to be comprehensive
 - E.g. consideration of vulnerable devices used as attack vector

2. Security recommendations (e.g. NIST, IETF)

- Key management requirements [1]
- Key length recommendations [2]
- Randomness requirements [3]
- Avoid possibility of pervasive monitoring
- Protocol or domain specific recommendation (crypto algorithm, WLAN security, use of TLS / DTLS, etc.)

^[2] RFC 4492 "Elliptic Curve Cryptography Cipher Suites for TLS" (https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc4492)

^[3] RFC 4086 "Randomness Requirements for Security" (https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc4086)

3. Learn form Attacks

Selected attacks to illustrate common problems:

- Inadequate software update mechanism
- Missing Key Management
- Insecure configuration files and default passwords
- Missing communication security
- Physical attacks

Inadequate software update mechanism

Example: Huawei Home gateway

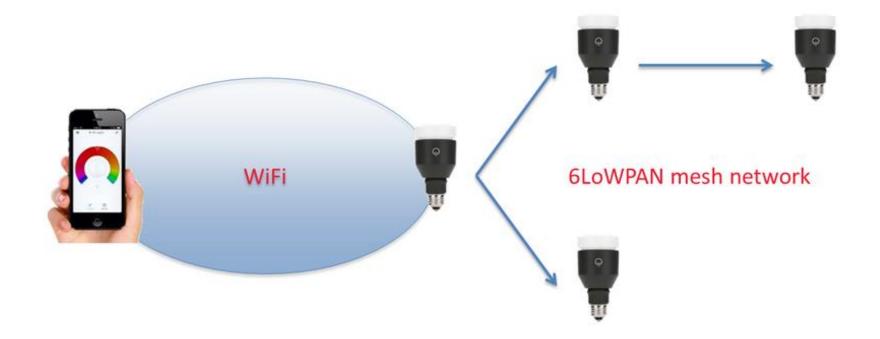
- Embedded web server (released 2002) with buffer overflow vulnerability
- Fix released in 2005 by web server company
- Vulnerability still exploited [1] (2015)



Missing Key Management Problem

Example: LIFX [1] - Internet connected light bulb

AES key shared among all devices to simplify key management



[1] http://www.contextis.com/resources/blog/hacking-internet-connected-light-bulbs/

Insecure Configuration Files and Default Passwords

Example: Foscam, Linksys, Panasonic surveillance / baby monitoring cameras

- Default passwords or insecure default settings
- Similar problems on LED bulbs, etc.

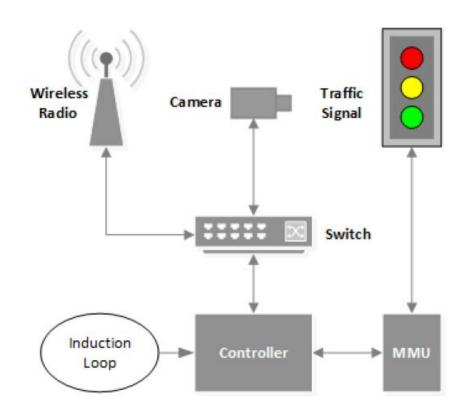




Missing Communication Security

Example: Traffic infrastructure [1]

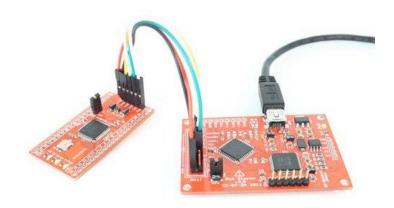
- Unencrypted wireless communications
- Default Username and Passwords (published online by manufacturer)
- Controller settings can be configured remotely
- FTP connection to write configuration files
- Physical attacks



Physical Attacks

Example: extract keys, configuration data, firmware images

- Use of debug / test interfaces
- Sniffing on inter-bus communication interfaces be comprehensive
 - Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI)
 - Inter-Integrated Circuit (I²C)
- Key extraction within a trusted execution environment
 - Power analysis
 - Fault injection (glitching) attacks



Intermediate Summary (methods 1/2/3)

- 90% of the threats are common among all protocols
- Most (exploited) security vulnerabilities are basic
- Many exploits of IoT systems (particularly in the consumer space) were hoaxs.
 But this is changing: Mirai botnet, Reaper botnet

4. Communications Design Patterns

- Device-to-Device
- Device via Smart Phone to Cloud
- Device via Gateway to Cloud
- P2P Communication in Local Network
- Device-to-Cloud

Device-to-Device Communication

Characteristics:

- Direct communications between devices
- Link layer communication protocol (often no IP)

Security:

- Direct association between devices: pairing
- Channel security provided at the link layer

Standardization:

- RFID, 6LowPAN, ZigBee
- Bluetooth Low Energy (LE)^[1]





Device via Smart Phone to Cloud

Characteristics:

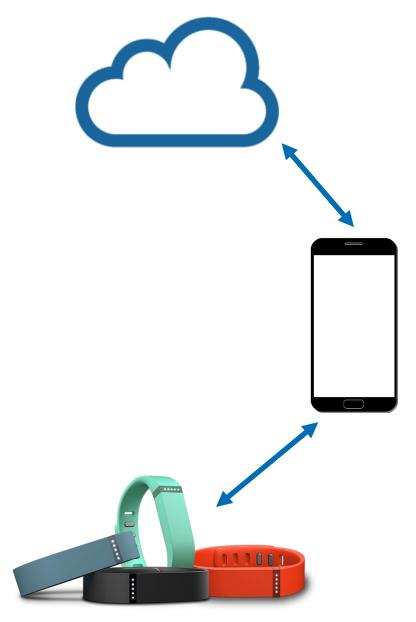
- Extension of *device-to-device* communication
- Device interacts with smart phone and cloud service

Security:

- D2D security
- Smart phone app / Web security
- Better provide end-to-end security (usually not the case)

Standardization:

• Bluetooth LE, NFC



Device via Gateway to Cloud

Characteristics:

- Devices communicate with cloud services via a network gateway
- Apps/websites allow user-friendly, remote access/monitoring

Security:

- D2D security / No end-to-end security
- Authentication / pairing / key management
- Example: EAP, PANA, AAA, etc.

Standardization:

• IEEE 802.15.4, WiFi, Bluetooth LE



P2P Communication in Local Network

Characteristics:

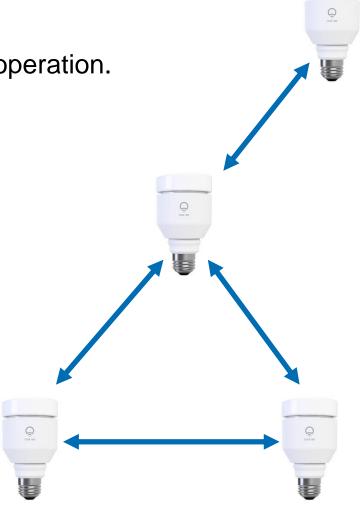
- Variant of "device via gateway to cloud" with local-only operation.
- Discovery of nodes to communicate with

Security:

- Authentication of nodes
- Trust management system
- Low need for protecting communications?

Standardization:

- Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) + UPnP-UP
- DNS Service Discovery
- Bonjour (Apple)



Device-to-Cloud

Characteristics:

- Direct communication with cloud service
- Pre-configured for specific cloud service only
- Always-on reachability required
- Radio technology and IP-connectivity required

Security:

- Network access + cloud authentication
- End-to-end security

Standardization:

WiFi



Good Practices (recommendation)

- Always encrypt avoid pervasive monitoring
- Follow encryption key length recommendation (112-bit symmetric key equivalent)
- Support automatic key management
- Automatic software update mechanism
- Communication channel security (e.g. DTLS/TLS)
- Authentication and authorization solution
- Reduce physical attack surface:
 - Crypto implementations that consider side channel attacks
 - Disabled debug facilities before launching product
 - Hardware-based crypto support
 - Memory protection unit (MPU) integration

Research in loT security: 1. loT Sentinel

Problem: Vulnerable & unpatched IoT devices

Many deployed IoT devices have security vulnerabilities

• E.g. Mirai botnet (100,000s of compromised IoT devices)

Patching of devices is challenging

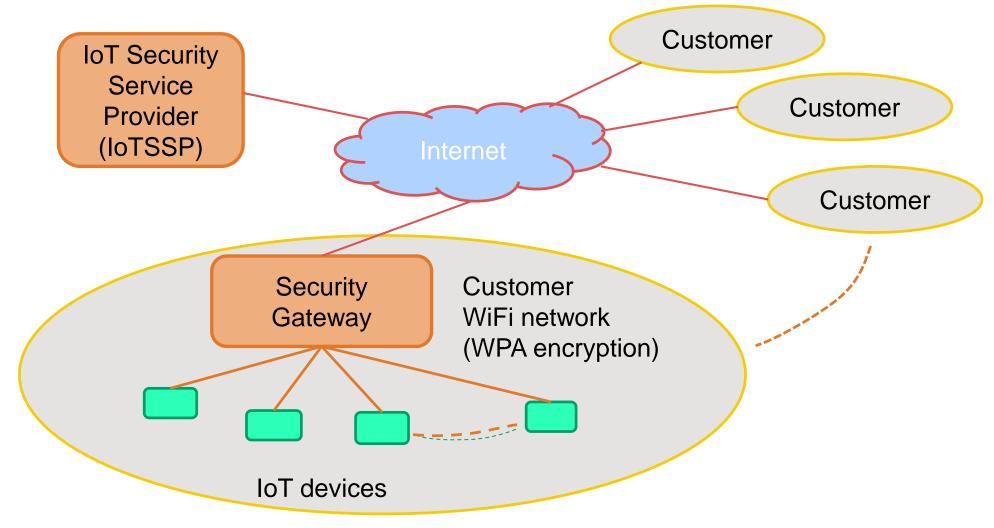
- Patches often not available
- Missing facilities for automatic patching

Need for a *brownfield* security solution accommodating the fact that some devices *are* and will be vulnerable

IoT Sentinel principles

- 1. Identify the type (model / SW version) of new devices introduced to the network
- 2. Assign enforcement rules for device based on its type (isolate vulnerable types)
- 3. Constrain communications of vulnerable devices
 - Avoid vulnerable devices to be compromised
 - Contain infection

System model



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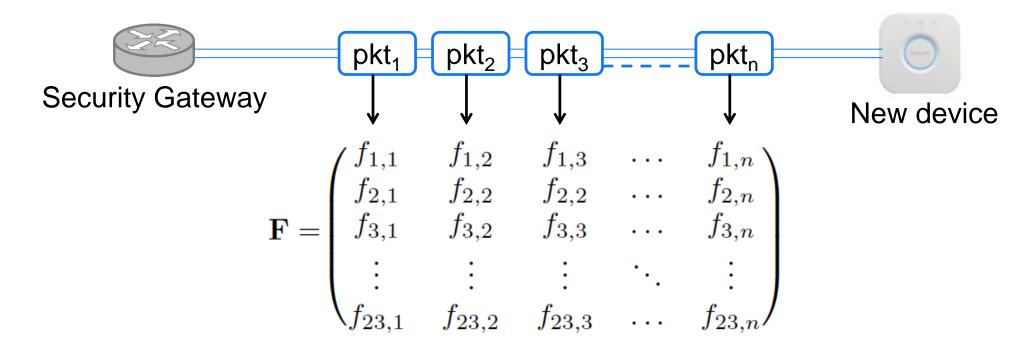
Security Gateway:

- Monitors communications and profiles devices: extract a fingerprint
- Sends fingerprints to IoTSSP
- Applies enforcement rules: device isolation through traffic filtering

IoT Security Service Provider (IoTSSP):

- Identifies device-type (using received fingerprints)
- Infers isolation level and enforcement rules for device-type (related to exposed vulnerability from e.g. CVE)
- Returns enforcement rules to be applied by Security Gateway

Device-type fingerprint

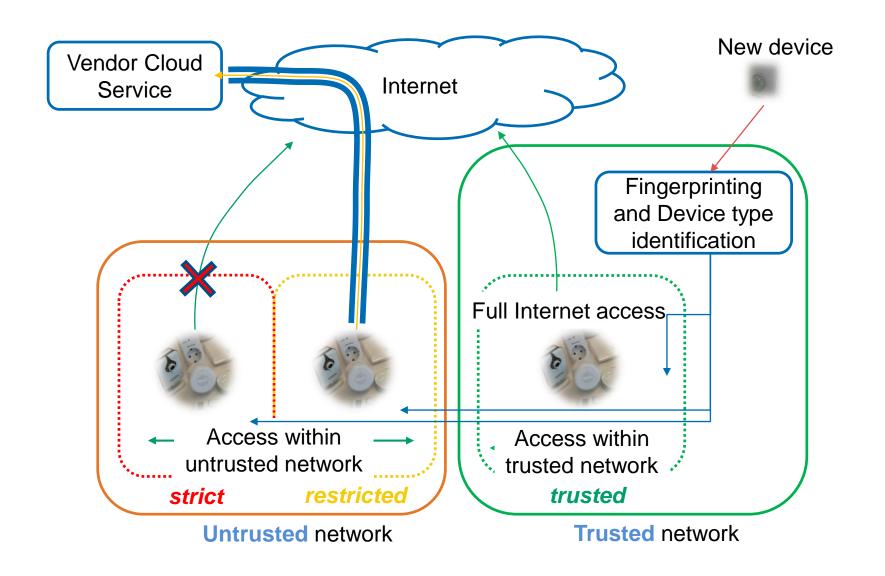


Features:

- 2 link layer protocol
- 4 network layer protocol
- 2 transport layer protocol
- 8 application layer protocol

- 2 IP options
- 2 packet content
- 1 IP address counter
- 2 port class

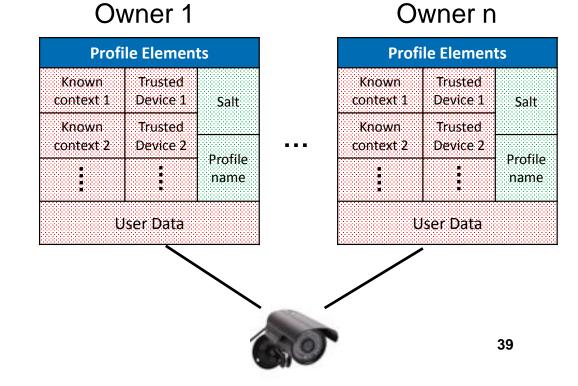
Device isolation



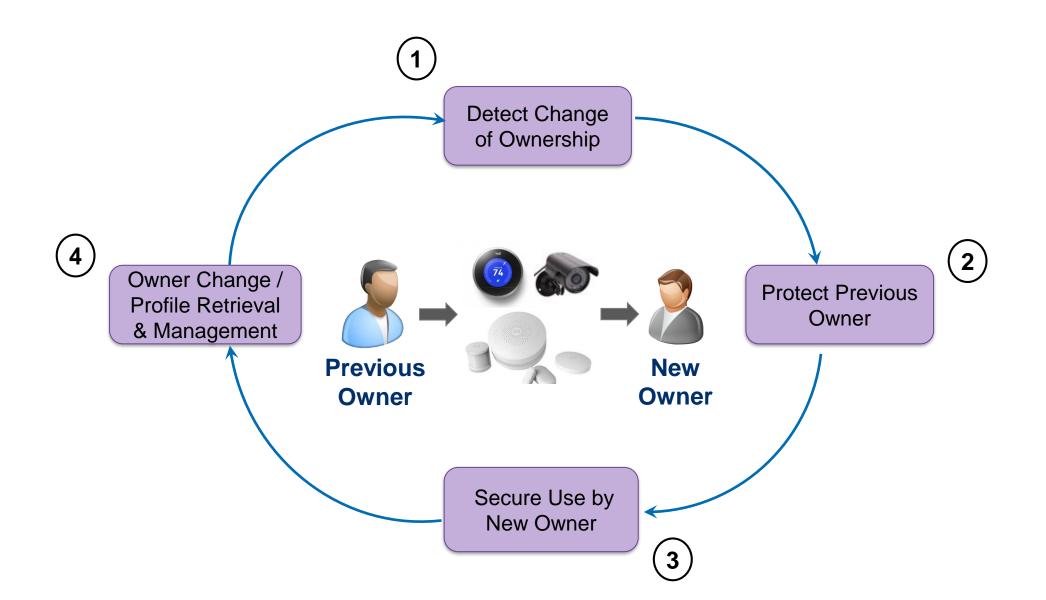
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Problem: Ownership change of IoT devices

- Ownership of Smart Home (SH) device can change during lifetime
 - Lend
 - Resell / stealing
 - Change of tenant (rental places)
- May introduce unauthorized access to privacy sensitive data
 - Historical / personal data not wiped (threat to previous owner)
 - Authentication credentials for cloud / network access saved (threat to previous owner)
 - Old authentication credentials still valid (threat to new owner)
 - Etc.



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Attestation in the Internet of Things (IoT)

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You will learn about:

- Why do we need (remote) attestation in IoT?
- What technologies can we use for this?

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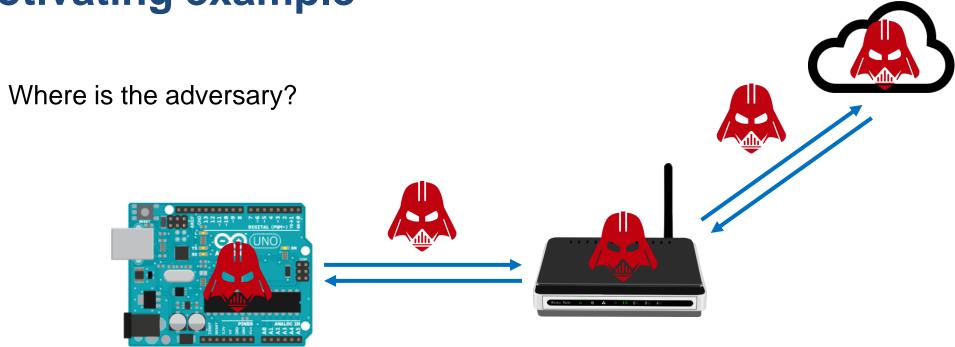
Where is the adversary?

Network adversary: read, modify, falsify communication

You receive the following message over an authenticated, integrity-protected communication channel:

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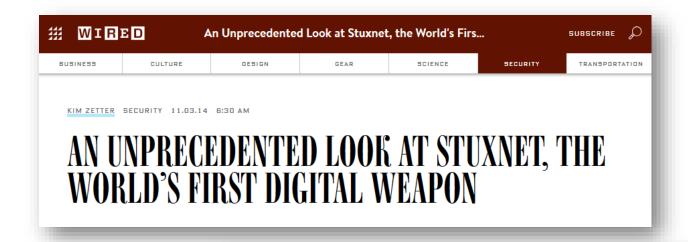
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Network adversary: read, modify, falsify communication

Malware: extract secrets, change state, modify behaviour

IoT malware: Stuxnet



The Real Story of Stuxnet

How Kaspersky Lab tracked down the malware that stymied Iran's nuclear-fuel enrichment program

By David Kushner Posted 26 Feb 2013 | 14:00 GMT













IoT malware: Stuxnet



1. infection

Stuxnet enters a system via a USB stick and proceeds to infect all machines running Microsoft Windows. By brandishing a digital certificate that seems to show that it comes from a reliable company, the worm is able to evade automated-detection systems.

2. search

Stuxnet then checks whether a given machine is part of the targeted industrial control system made by Siemens. Such systems are deployed in Iran to run high-speed centrifuges that help to enrich nuclear fuel.

3. update

If the system isn't a target, Stuxnet does nothing; if it is, the worm attempts to access the Internet and download a more recent version of itself.



4. compromise

The worm then compromises the target system's logic controllers, exploiting "zero day" vulnerabilities-software weaknesses that haven't been identified by security experts.



5. control

In the beginning, Stuxnet spies on the operations of the targeted system. Then it uses the information it has gathered to take control of the centrifuges, making them spin themselves to failure.



6. deceive and destroy

Meanwhile, it provides false feedback to outside controllers, ensuring that they won't know what's going wrong until it's too late to do anything about it.

Illustration: L-Dopa

http://spectrum.ieee.org/telecom/security/the-real-story-of-stuxnet

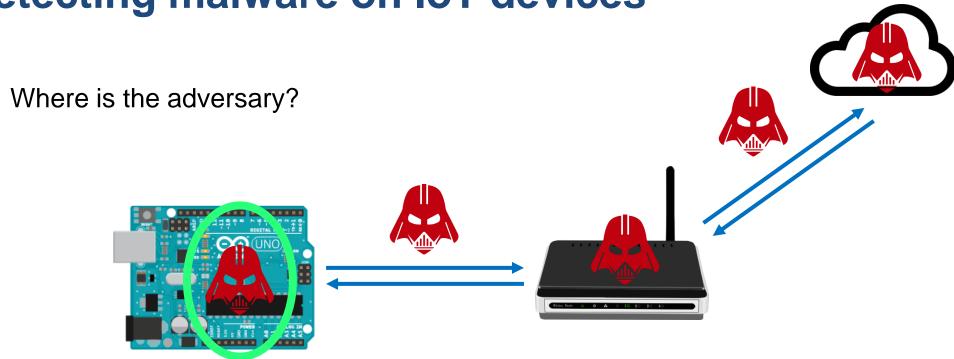
IoT malware

Malware is not a new threat, but IoT...

- Broadens the attack surface
 - cost-constrained and/or resource-constrained devices
 - many more interconnected devices
- Amplifies the impact
 - access to detailed personal information
 - control of physical environment



Detecting malware on IoT devices

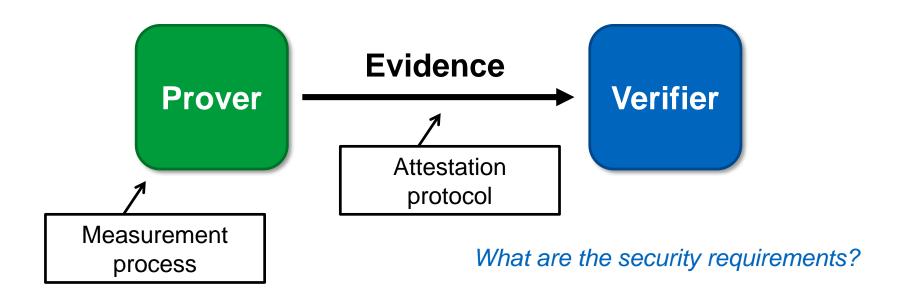


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Attestation

• An interaction between two parties through which the *verifier* ascertains the current state and/or behaviour of the *prover*.



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representation of the real state of the system



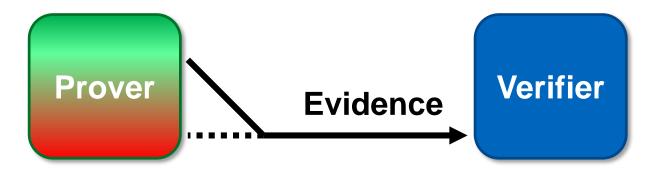
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2. "Timeliness"

representation of the *current* state



TPM Attestation (Lecture 4)



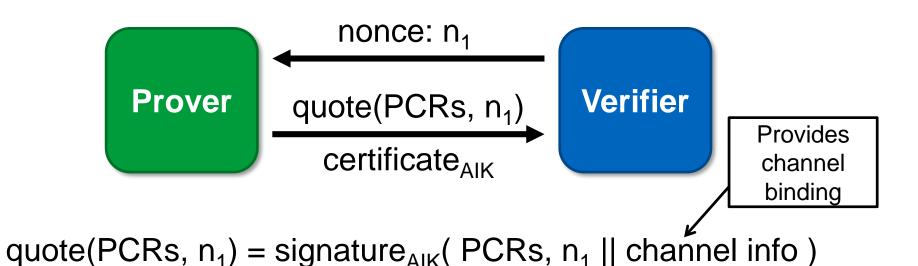
- TPM Platform Configuration Registers (PCRs)
 - store cryptographic hash
 - cannot be over-written by software, only extended

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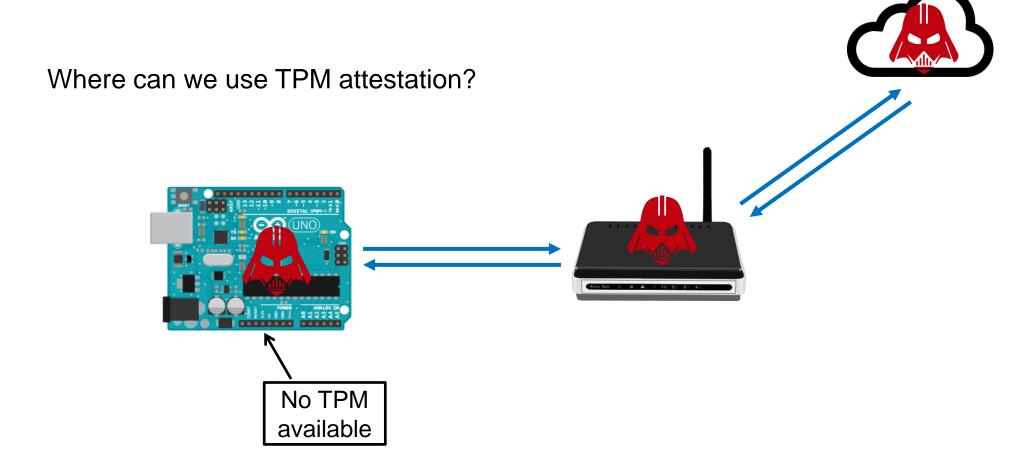
TPM Attestation (Lecture 4)



- TPM Quote
 - PCR values signed by TPM-bound Attestation Identity Key (AIK)
 - includes nonce to ensure timeliness



IoT attestation?



TPM Attestation "Costs"

- Additional hardware
 - takes up space
 - uses power
 - increases hardware cost (TPM + integration)
- Additional software
 - requires driver and software library

TPM Attestation Limitations

- Covers only the initial loading of software
- Deals with only one prover and one verifier
- "Decision of trustworthiness" does not scale
 - measurements change with every software update

Attestation of Things (AoT)

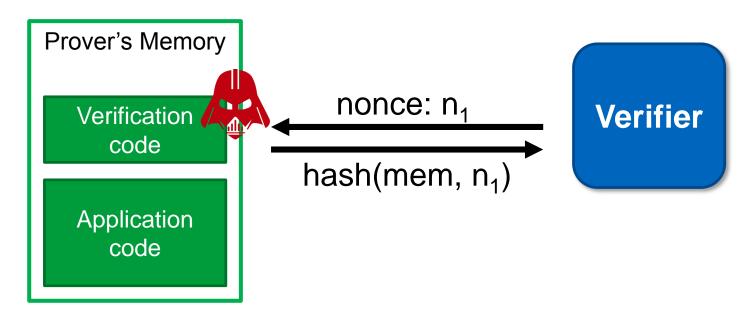
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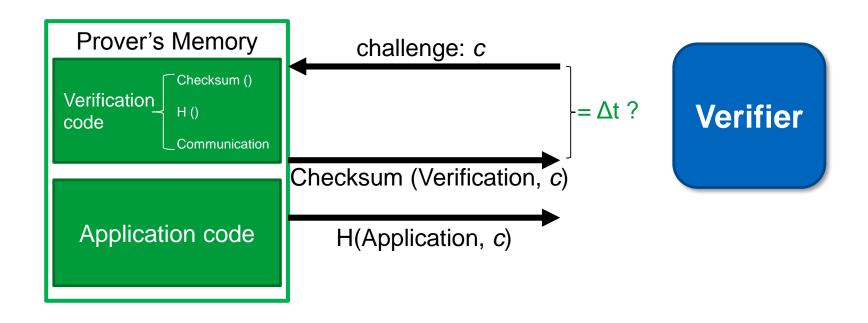
- Assumes no hardware features to support attestation
 - No secrets on prover (e.g. no AIK)
 - Cannot guarantee specific code being run



Software-based Attestation

Authenticity?

- Pioneer system
 - compute time-optimal checksum of verification code



A. Seshadri, M. Luk, E. Shi, A. Perrig, L. van Doorn, and P. Khosla. Pioneer: Verifying integrity and guaranteeing execution of code on legacy platforms. SOSP '05

Software-based Attestation: summary

- Limitations of timing side channels
 - verifier must know exact hardware configuration
 - difficult to prove time-optimality
 - limited to "one-hop" networks
 - requires authenticated channel (e.g. physical connection)

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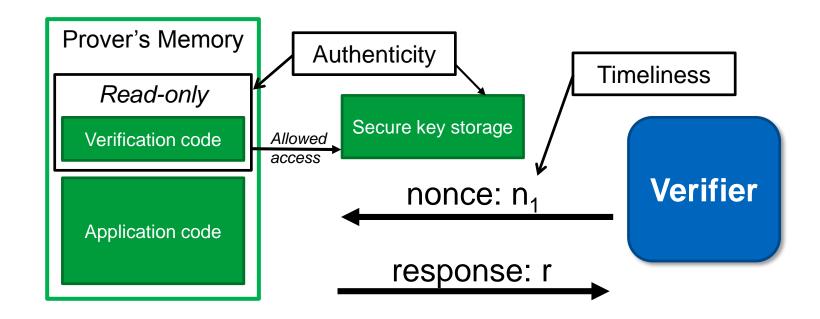
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Hybrid Attestation

- Minimal trust anchors
 - small changes to hardware
 - "hardware/software co-design"

Hybrid Attestation: SMART

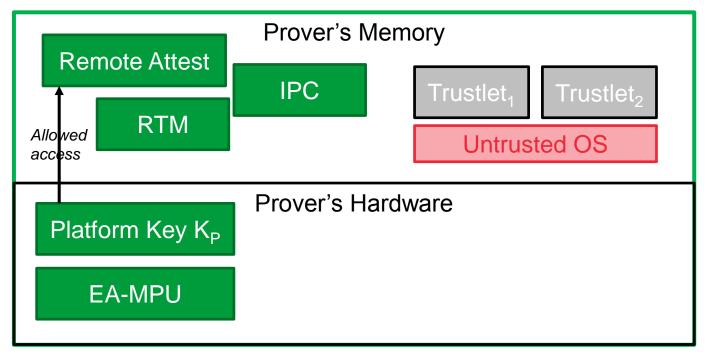
Read-only Verification code, secure key storage and atomicity of execution of Verification code



K El Defrawy, A. Francillon, D. Perito, and G. Tsudik. **SMART: Secure and Minimal Architecture for (Establishing a Dynamic) Root of Trust**. NDSS '12

Hybrid Attestation: TrustLite & TyTAN

- Execution-Aware Memory Protection Unit (EA-MPU)
 - access control based on memory request target and origin



- P. Koeberl, et al. TrustLite: A Security Architecture for Tiny Embedded Devices. EuroSys '14
- F. Brasser, et al, TyTAN: Tiny Trust Anchor for Tiny Devices, DAC '15

Hybrid Attestation: summary

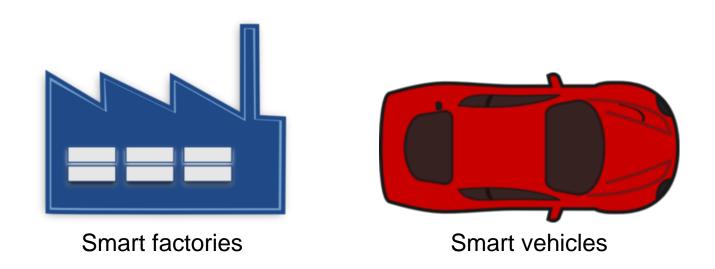
- Advantages of hybrid approaches
 - can be used across a network / over an untrusted channel
 - Verifier need not know prover's exact hardware configuration
- Drawbacks
 - Needs additional hardware support
 - But minimal MCU trust anchors soon available commercially
 - TrustZone-M (ARM v8), ...

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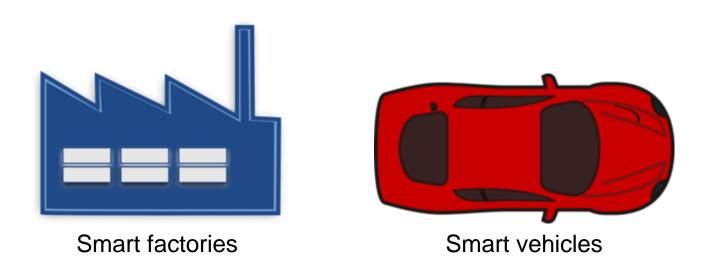
Scalability of Attestation

- Attestation protocols usually assume a single prover
 - but IoT scenarios may involve groups of (many) provers



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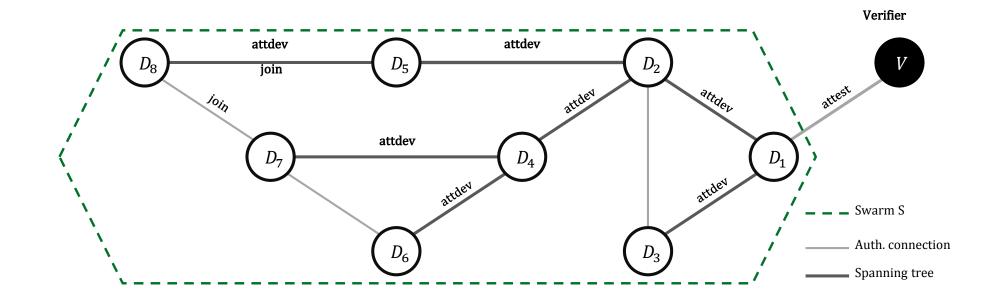
- Device swarms
 - dynamic topology: nodes move within swarm
 - dynamic membership: nodes join and leave the swarm



Scalability of Attestation

- SEDA: Scalable Embedded Device Attestation
 - more efficient than attesting each node individually
 - can use any type of measurement process
 - assumes homogeneous provers

Scalability of Attestation



Scalability of Attestation: summary

How to extend SEDA to

- support highly dynamic swarms?
- be resilient to physical compromise of some devices?

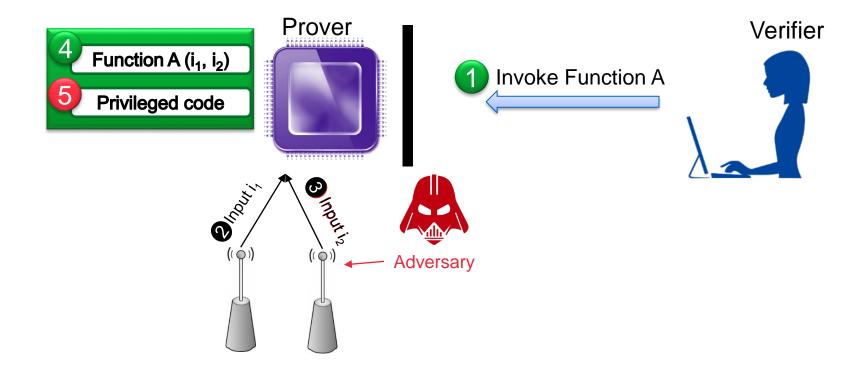
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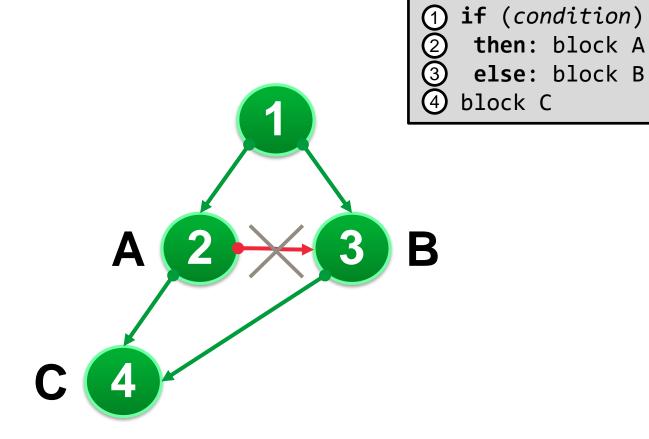
Why run-time attestation?

- Traditional attestation measures binaries at load time
- Cannot capture run-time attacks
 - return-oriented programming
 - control data attacks

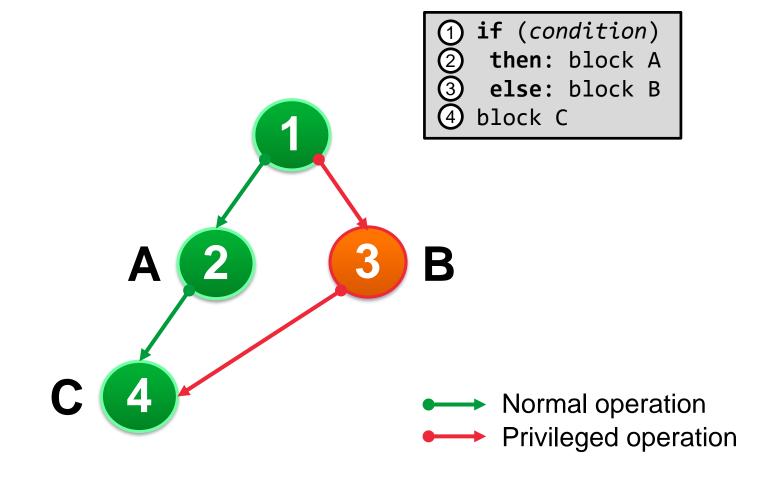
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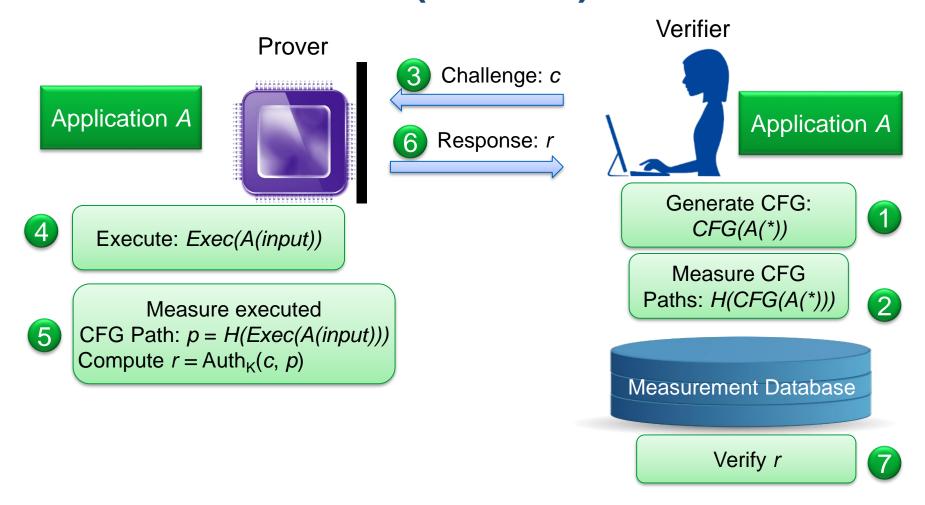
Control flow integrity (CFI)



Run-time attacks without violating CFI

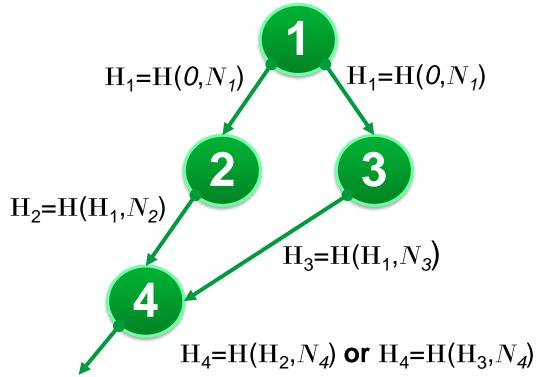


Control-Flow Attestation (C-FLAT)



C-FLAT: High-Level Idea

Cumulative Hash Value: H_j=H(H_i,N),
 where H_i previous hash result and N is the current node

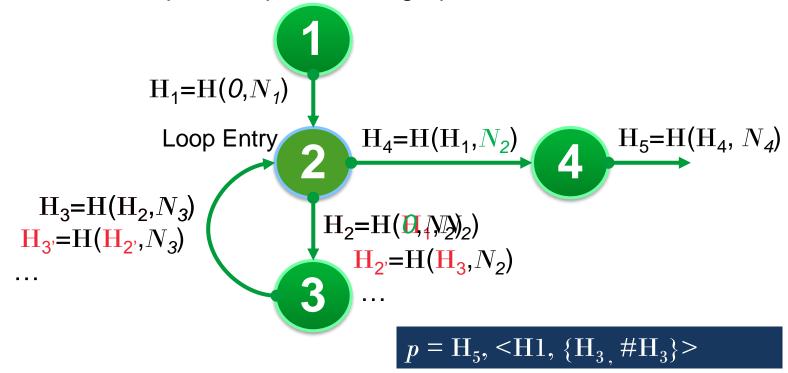


 $p = H_4$

Handling Loops

H_x different for each loop iteration

- Different loop paths/iterations → many valid hash values
 - Our approach: treat loops as separate sub-graphs



Proof-of-Concept Implementation

- Bare-metal prototype on Raspberry Pi 2
 - Single-purpose program instrumented using binary-rewriting
 - Runtime Monitor written in ARM assembler
 - Measurement Engine isolated in TrustZone-A Secure World

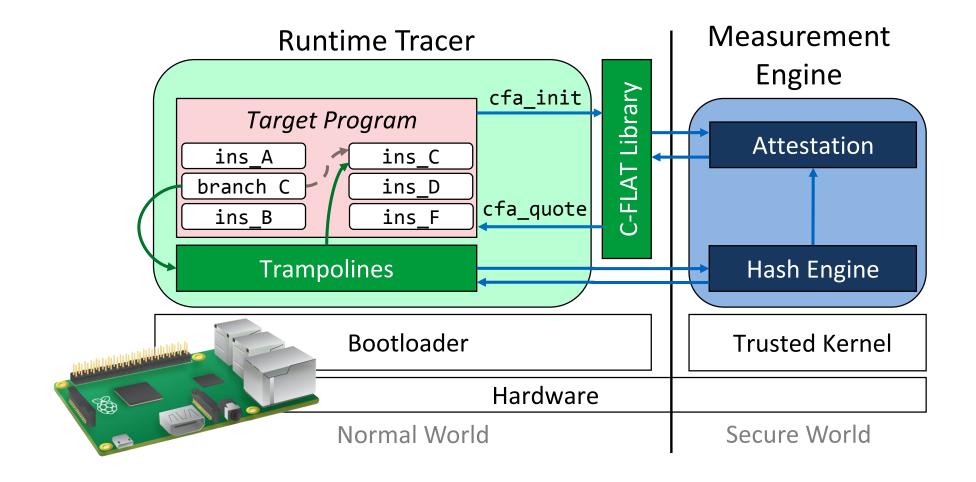


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cfa_quote: 7c 16 d6 51 20 a2 a0 c7 90 f5 ef 04 0c 2e ba bc
loop[000]: 78 22 5b 62 92 41 ca 02 7b ff 29 57 c6 6f 9b a2
path[000]: 2f a5 8c dc 1b 35 41 29 ab dd 35 5c f2 69 08 37 (1)
loop[001]: d6 90 9e a0 8c ae 90 84 9e 66 09 f8 a6 7b 52 04
path[000]: 92 fb d1 e8 90 cb 02 e5 6c f2 65 8c 86 72 0e d3 (2)
....
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loop[006]: 05 e3 92 40 95 ef 7b 46 13 7d 6e 8b 05 be bf 41
path[000]: 67 c6 5e d4 18 13 02 bc 4a 5d 60 a0 16 85 f4 ed (9)
path[001]: 78 19 af 09 0f d5 64 f4 39 b4 7a 0d 97 57 77 8c (2)

 $\underline{Source: https://github.com/control-flow-attestation/c-flat/blob/master/samples/syringe-auth.txt}$

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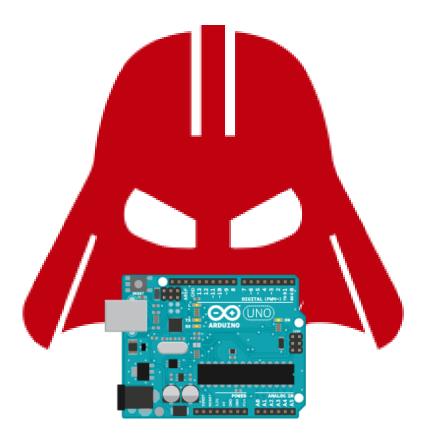


Run-time attestation: summary

- How can we scale control flow attestation?
 - Better ways to aggregate measurements?
 - Faster/simpler purpose-built hash functions?
 - Purpose-built hardware support?
- What next?
 - Attestation of properties rather than measurements?
 - from attestation to checking compliance with a (dynamic) policy?

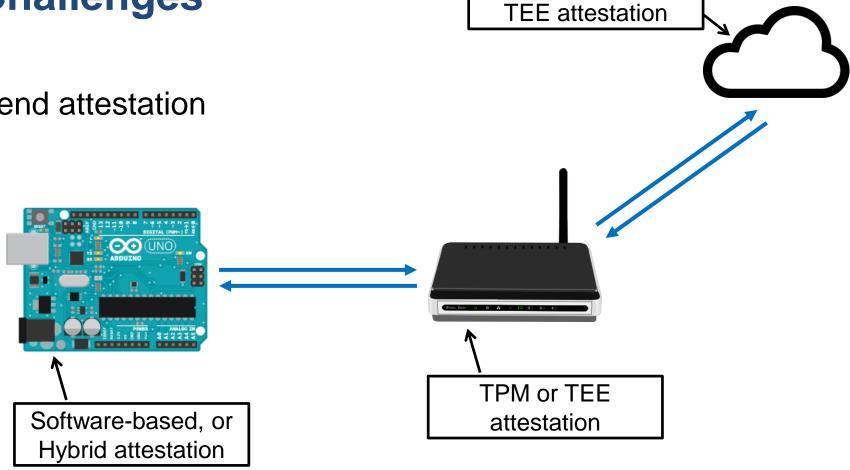
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Physical adversary



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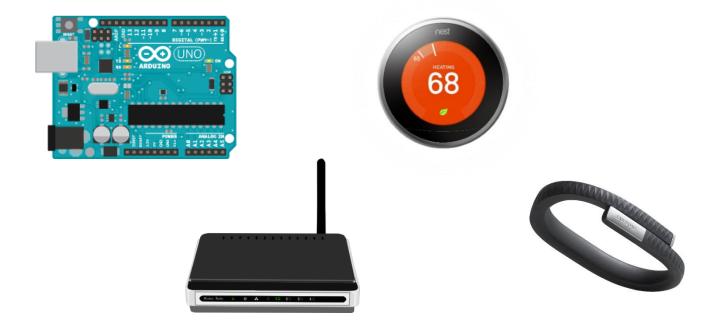
End-to-end attestation



Virtualized TPM or

Open Challenges

Device heterogeneity



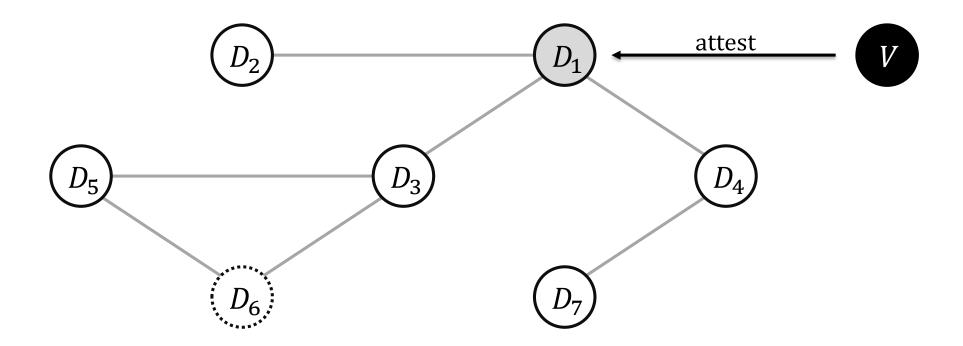
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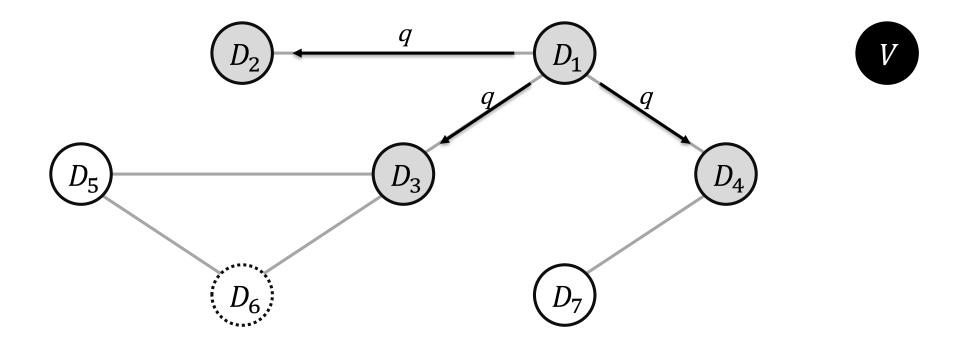
- Why we need attestation in IoT
- Some recent research towards achieving this

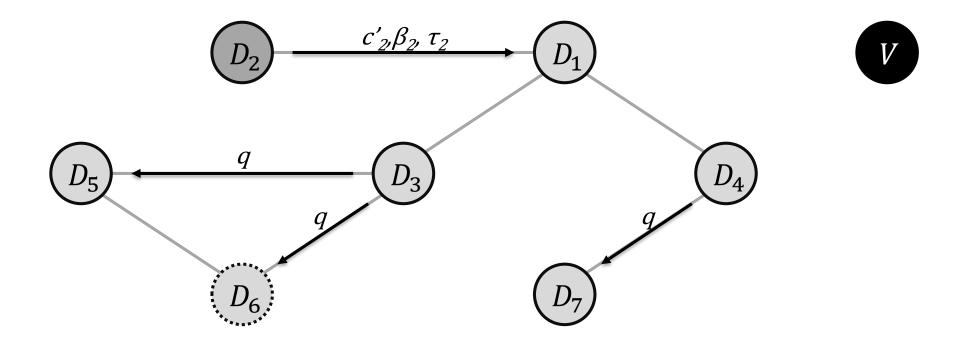


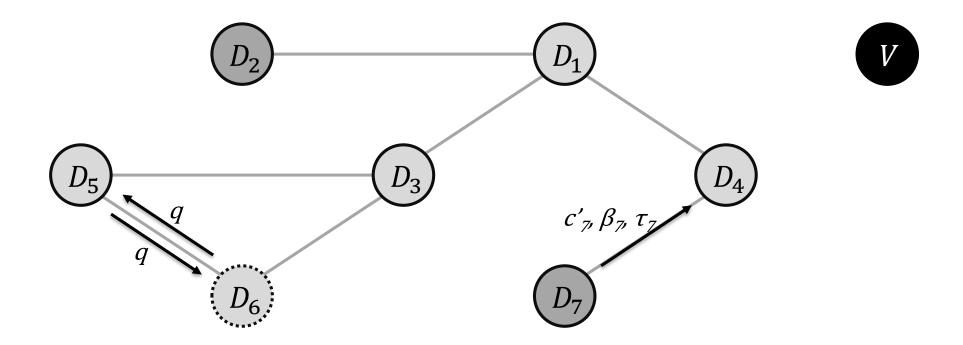
Attestation in the Internet of Things (IoT)

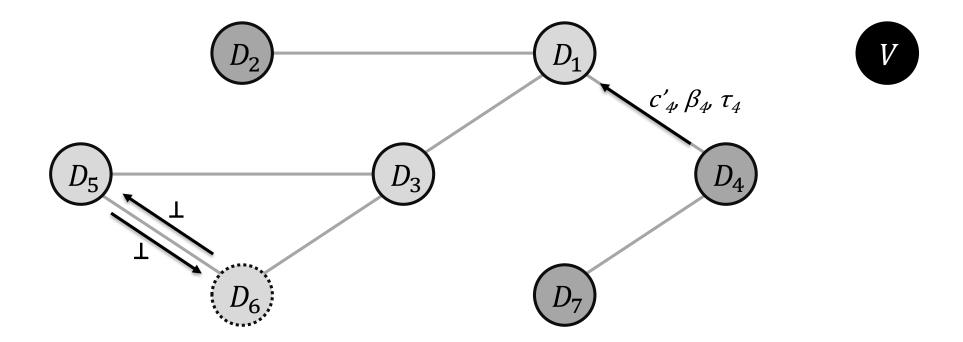
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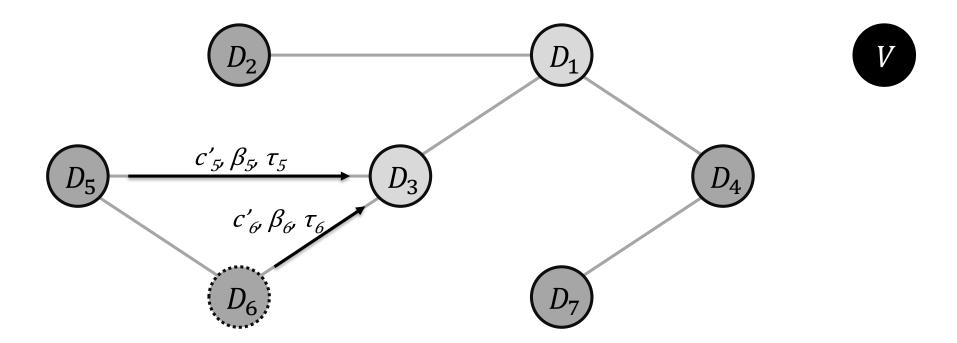


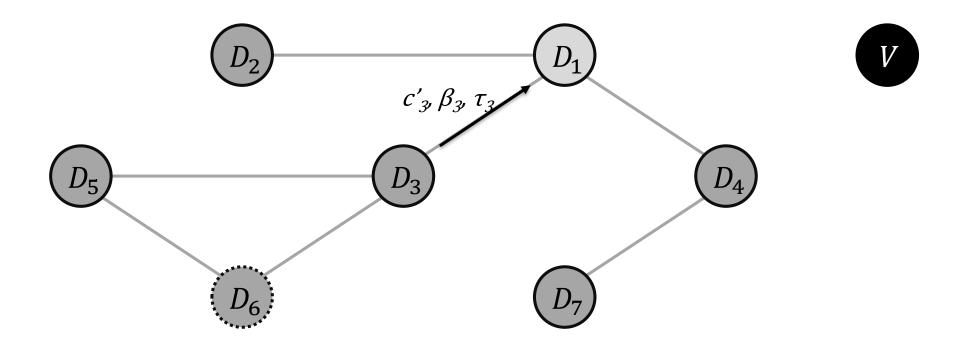


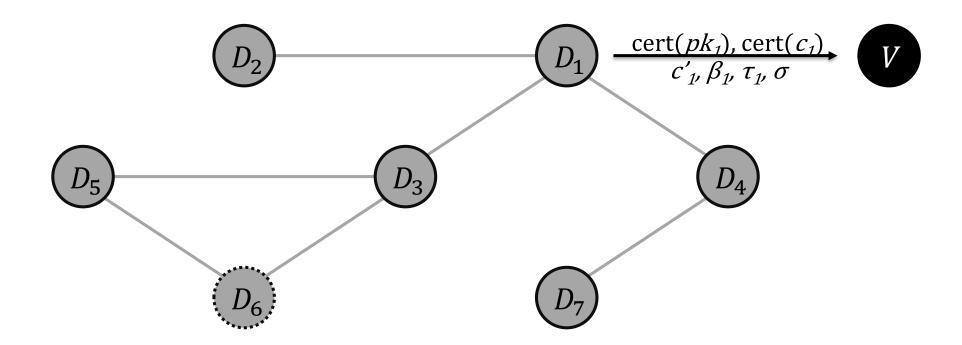












Abuse of Attestation

- Attestation protocols usually consider a benign verifier
- But adversary could impersonate verifier to abuse attestation
- E.g., computing a MAC over all memory in a typical microcontroller could take ~ 750 ms
 - could be used for denial of service (DoS) attack

Abuse of Attestation

- Verifier must be authenticated to prover
 - but asymmetric crypto is computationally expensive
- Prover must detect replays of previous requests
 - can use nonces
 - can use counters
 - can use timestamps

Abuse of Attestation

- Nonces
 - require integrity-protected storage for previous nonces
- Counters
 - require minimal integrity-protected storage for counter
- Timestamps
 - require trusted synchronized clock at prover side

Use Execution-Aware Memory Access Control (EA-MAC) to protect counters and timers.