

Tock Operating System

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- HP conducted a security analysis of IoT devices¹
 - ▶ 80% had privacy concerns
 - ▶ 80% had poor passwords
 - ▶ 70% lacked encryption
 - ▶ 60% had vulnerabilities in UI
 - ▶ 60% had insecure updates

¹http://fortifyprotect.com/HP_IoT_Research_Study.pdf

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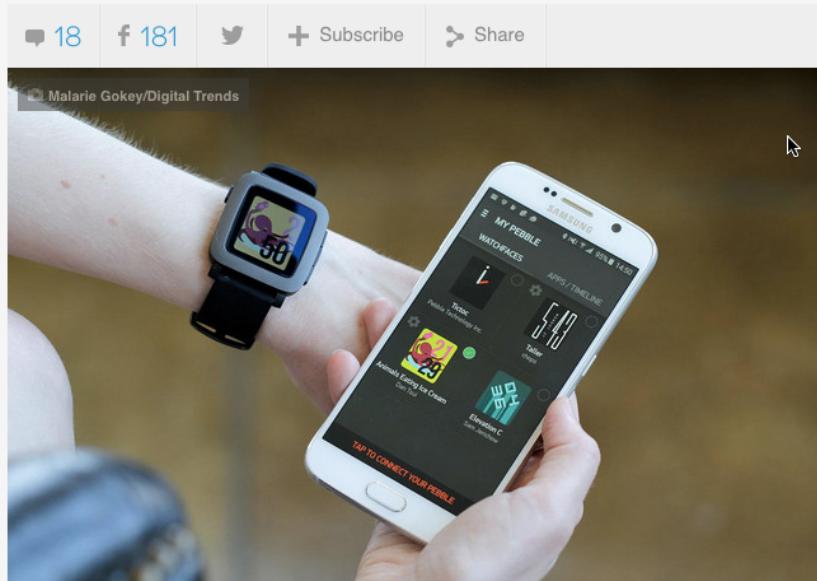
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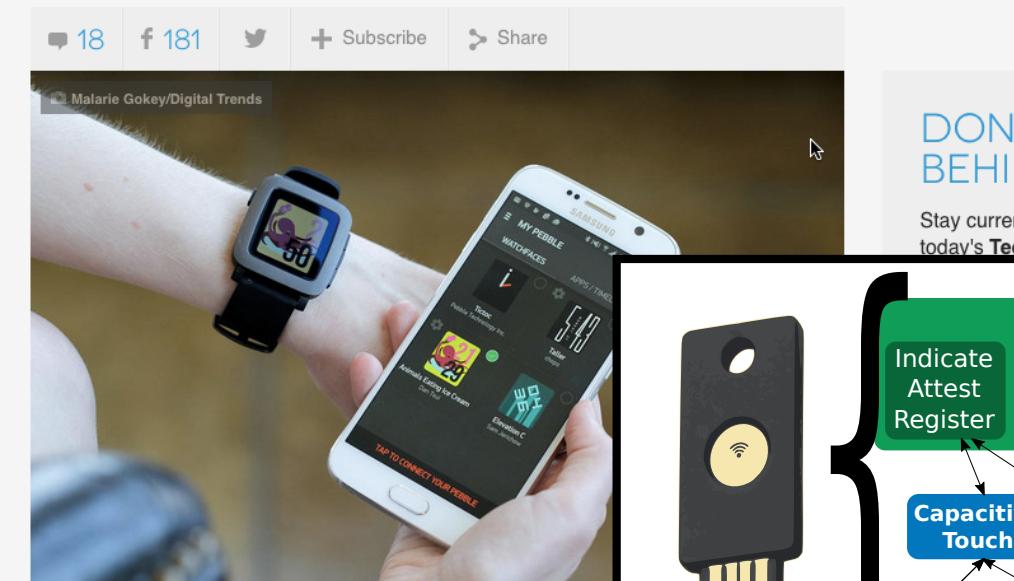
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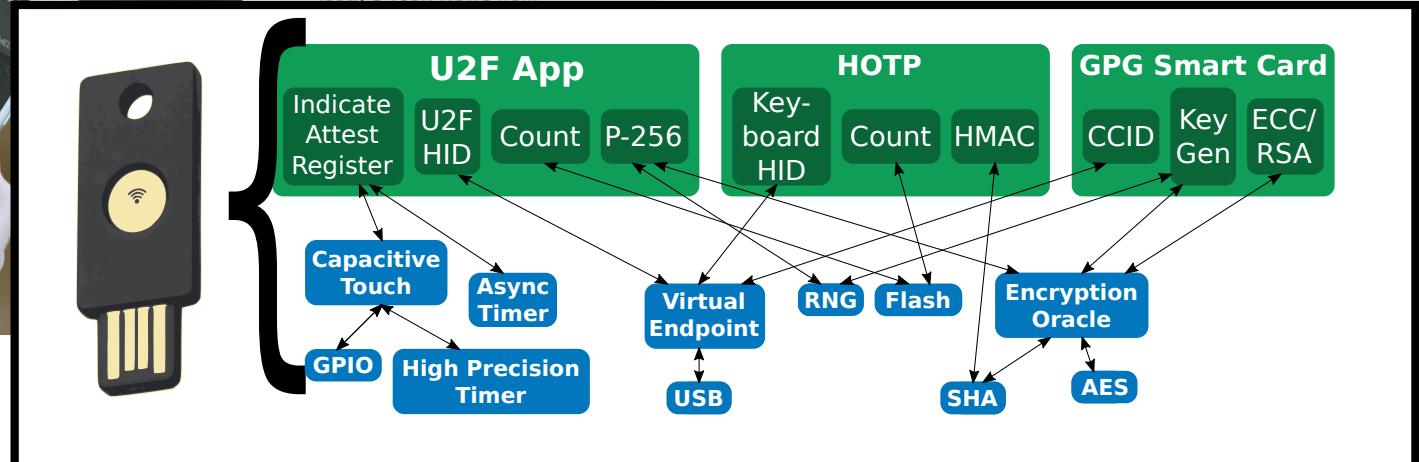
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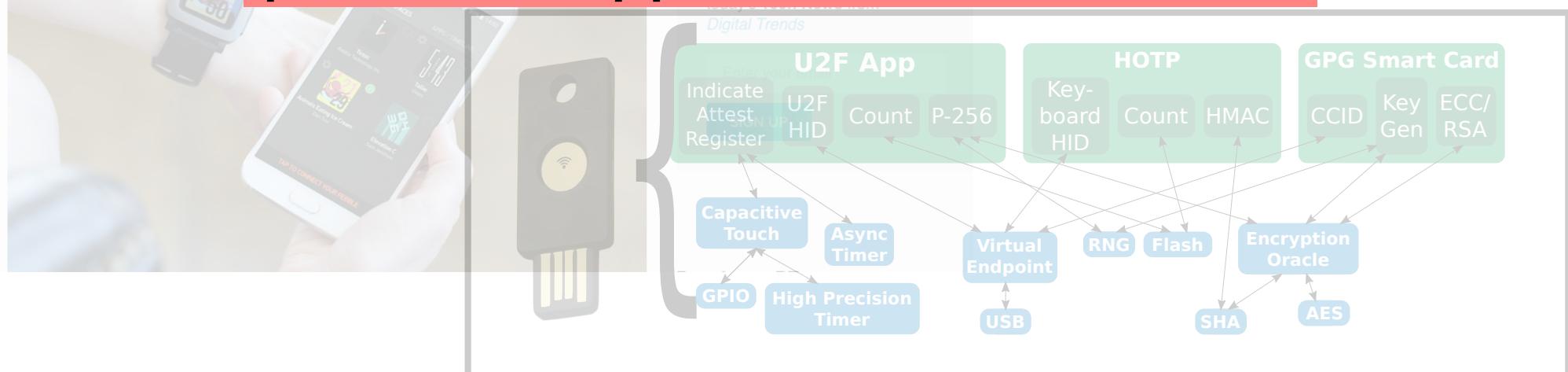
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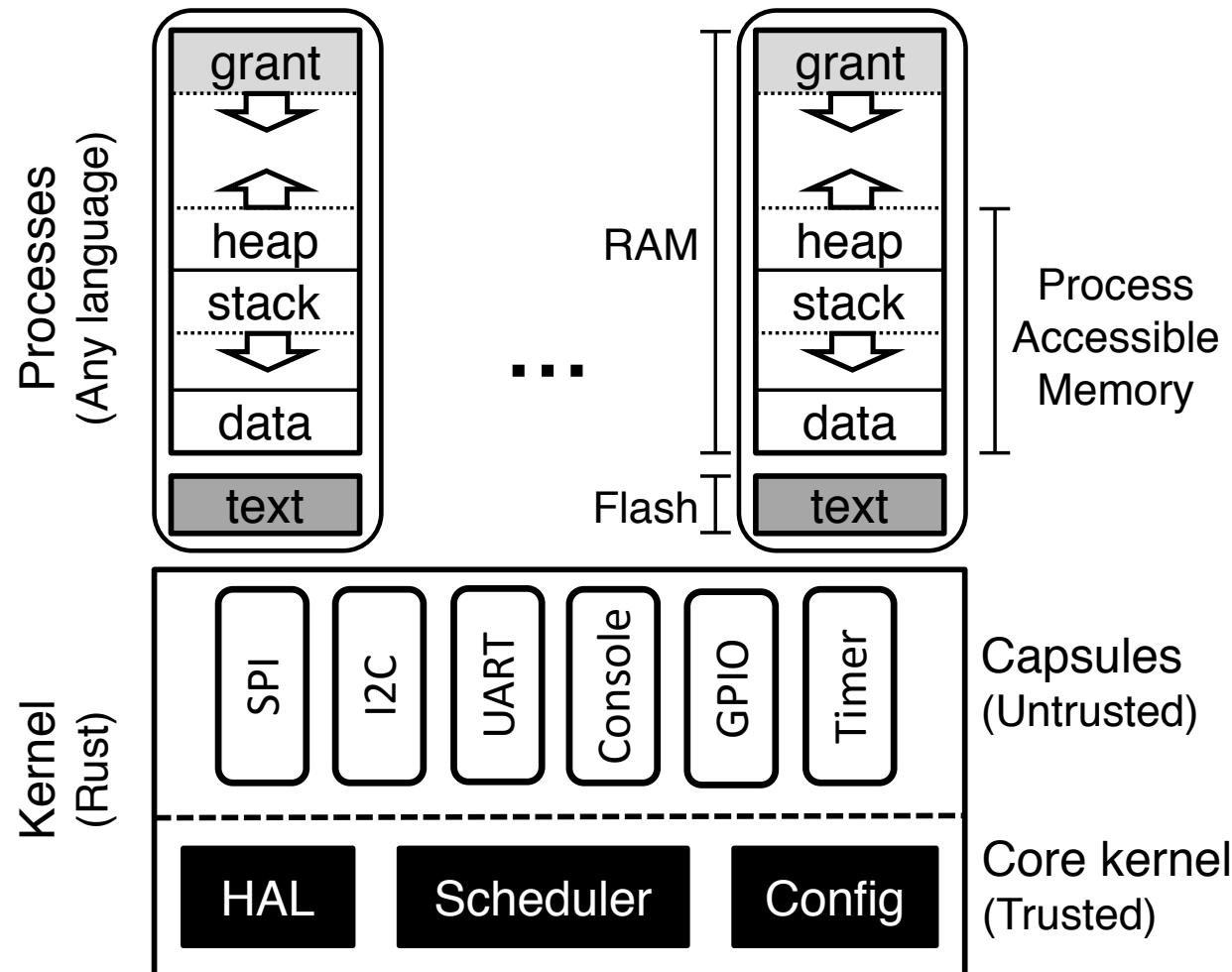
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- Core kernel written in Rust, a safe systems language
 - ▶ Small amount of trusted code (can do unsafe things)
 - Rust bindings for memory-mapped I/O
 - Core scheduler, context switches
- Core kernel can be extended with *capsules*
 - ▶ Safe, written in Rust
 - ▶ Run inside kernel
- Processes can be written in any language (asm, C)
 - ▶ Leverage Cortex-M memory protection unit (MPU)
 - ▶ User-level, traps to kernel with system calls

Tock Architecture



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- Many new system design and research challenges
 - ▶ Writing a kernel in a type safe, not garbage collected language
 - ▶ Memory isolation and allocation
- 4 hardware platforms
 - ▶ Strong support for research: hail (applications), imix (systems)
 - ▶ Some peripherals available: nRF52, Teensy 3.6
- Learn how to use Tock today!

Thanks!

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