



Securebox

A Platform for Smarter and Safer Networks

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Motivation

- Bring Your Own Device in Enterprises.
- Lack of coordination for network management.
- (Not so) efficient use of terabytes of network data.



Insecure SOHO Networks



Internet of
(too many)Things



Goals

- Low Cost.
 - Can be deployed at SOHO.
- Easy to manage and deploy.
 - Does not need professionals.
- Scalable.
 - Pay as much you use, when you use.
- Robust.
 - Self improving and healing
- Interactive.
 - Better user experience



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Design

- Service based model.
 - Network Management and Security as a Service.
- Automated management.
- Decoupling middleboxes from the network.
 - Automated configuration updates for software based middleboxes.
- Cloud-based service with global view of the network better management and analysis functionalities.
- Automated threat detection and configuration update at network vantage points.
- Proactive security
- Notifications about network operations, threats (network and devices) etc.

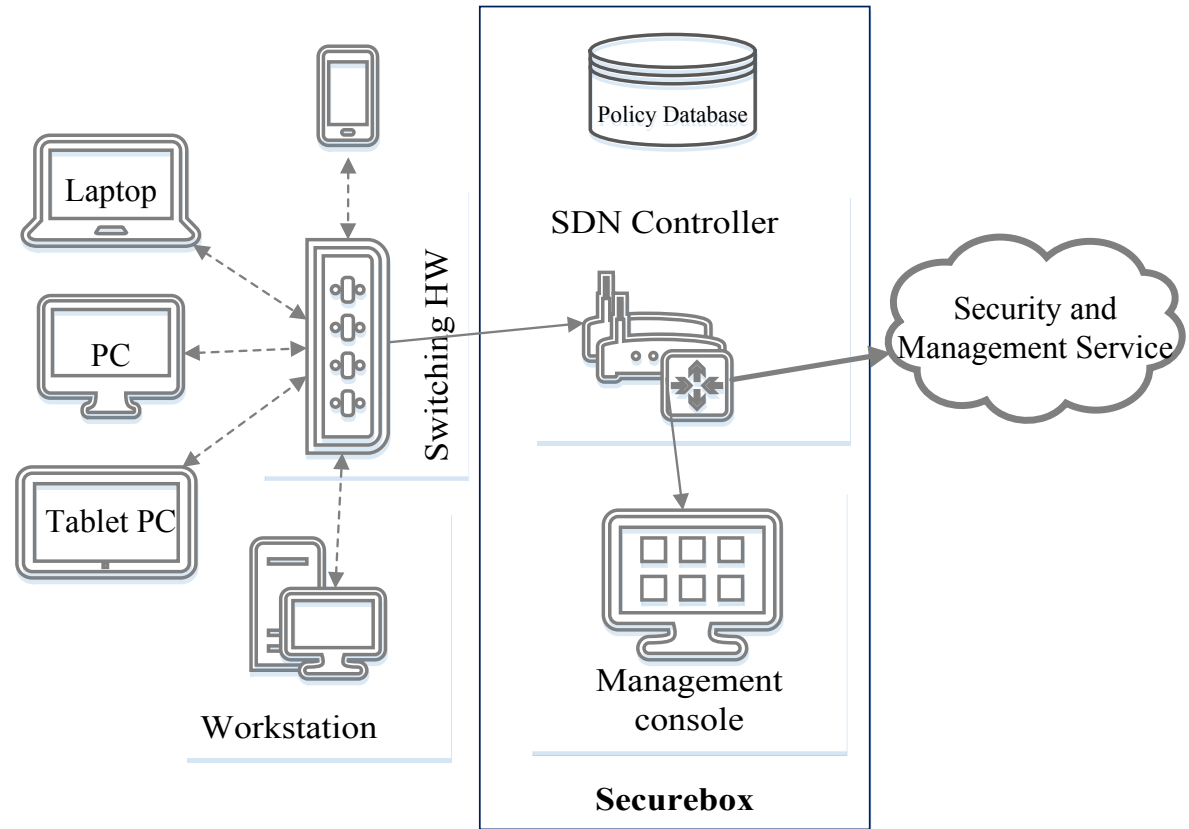


Architecture: Components

- Securebox
 - SDN-capable access point for network edge.
 - Dynamic firewall.
 - Sensor



Architecture: Securebox

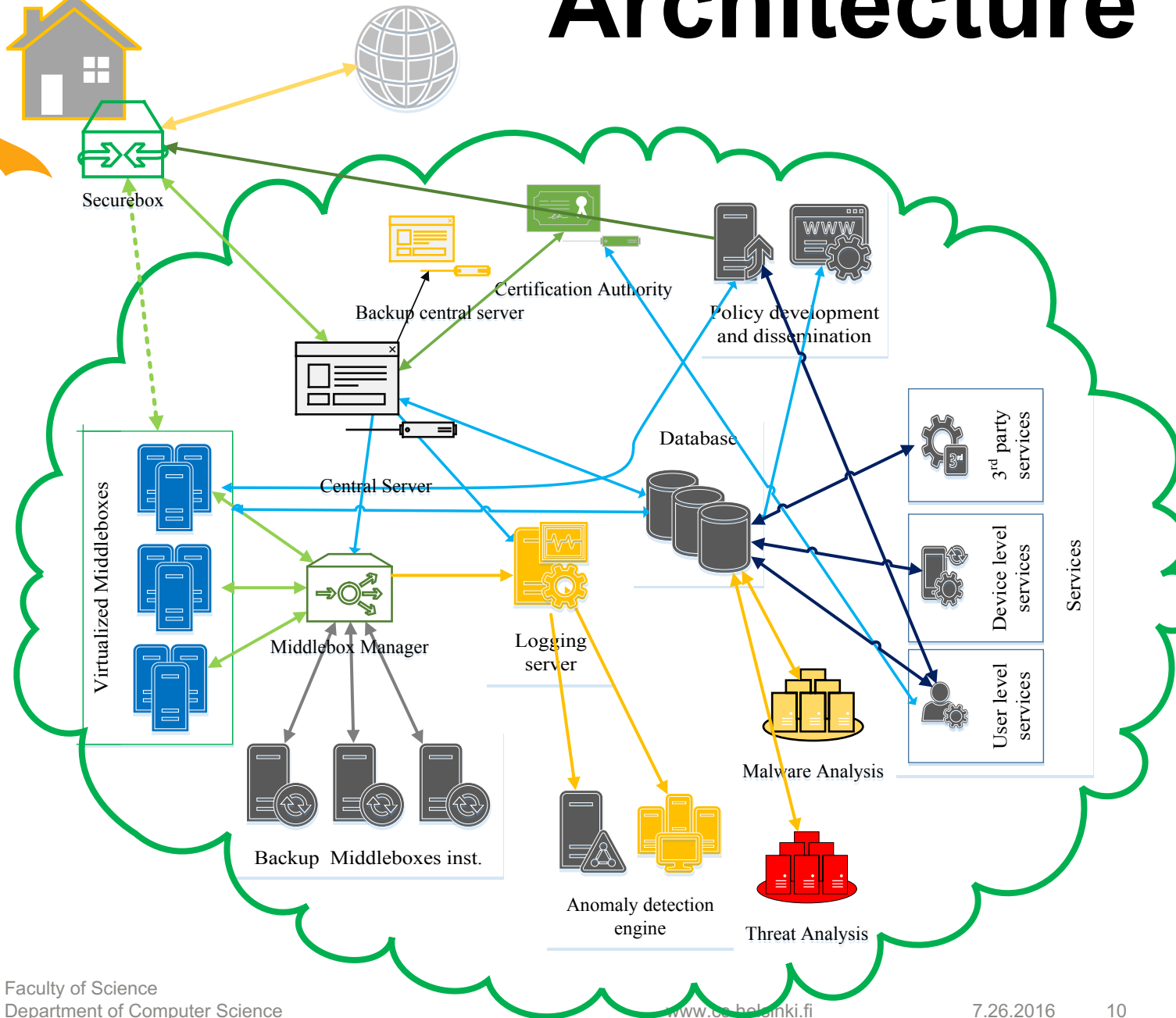




Architecture Security and Management Service

- Security and Management Service
 - User management.
 - Device management.
 - Service mobility.
 - Device roaming across APs.
 - Collaborative Security
 - Micro security services and virtualized middlebox deployment.
 - Network traffic data analysis.

Architecture





Functioning

Algorithm 1 Securebox traffic flow processing algorithm

initialization

while *traffic_flow_request* **do**

metadata \leftarrow *extractMetadata(traffic_flow)*

if *matchingPolicy* \leftarrow *policy_exists(metadata)* **then**

policy_decision \leftarrow *getDecision(matchingPolicy)*

generateOFRule(matchingPolicy)

insertFlow(OF_switch, traffic_flow_request)

updateLog(event)

else

policy \leftarrow *getSecurityPolicy(metadata)*

generateOFRule(matchingPolicy)

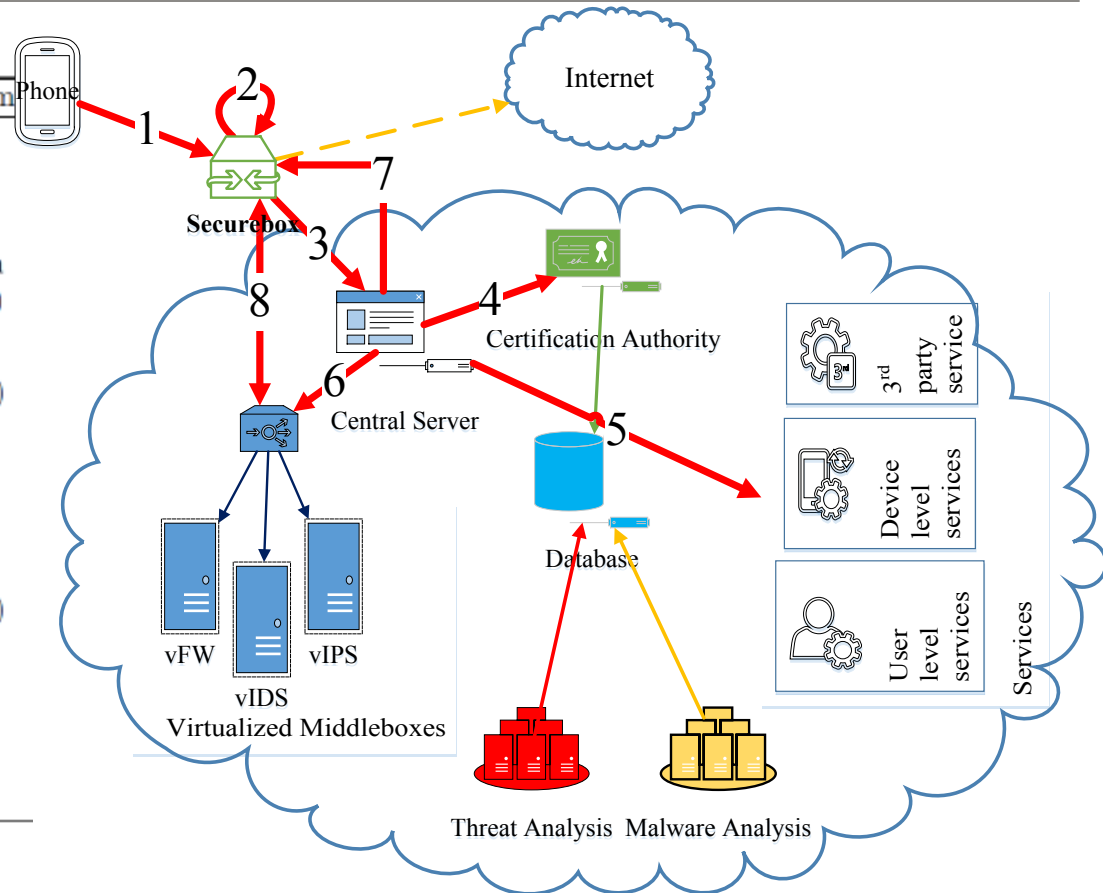
insertFlow(OF_switch, traffic_flow_request)

updatePolicyDB(policy)

updateLog(event)

end

end



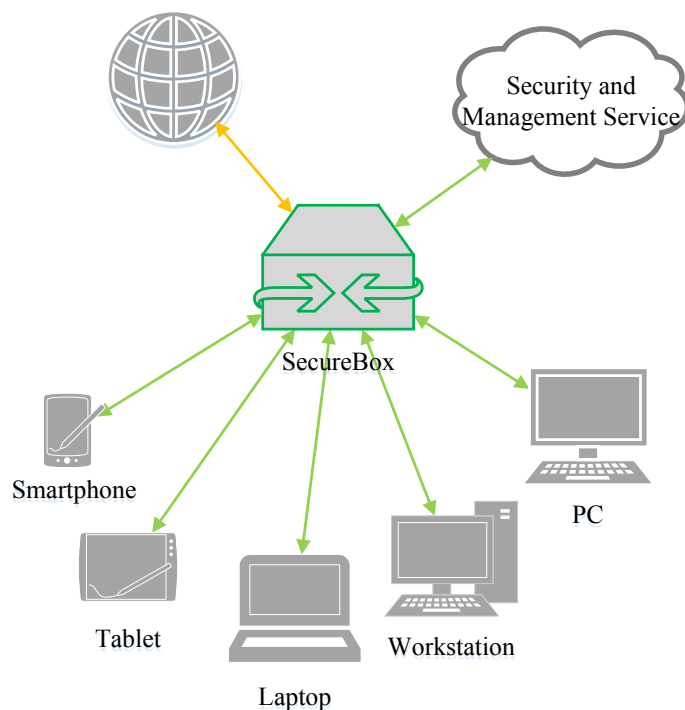


Goals (Recap)

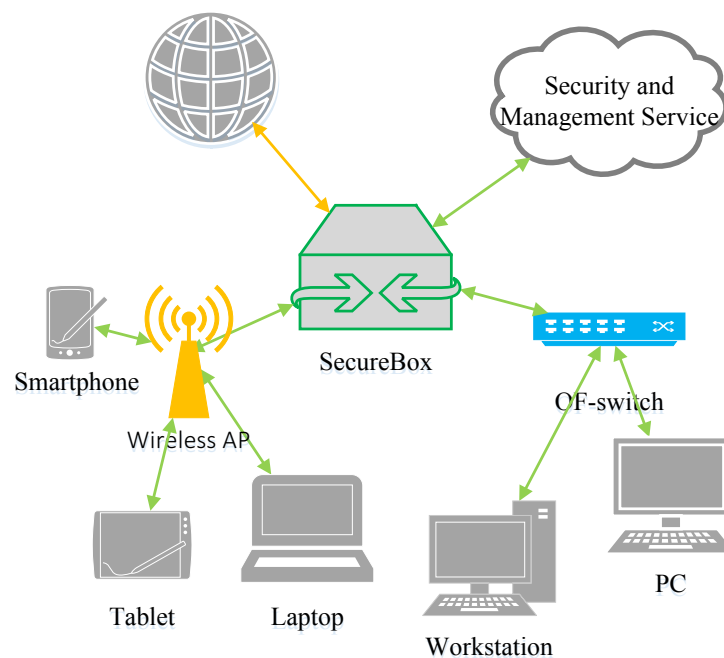
- **Low Cost**
 - Security and Management as a Service based solution with minimal hardware required.
- **Easy to manage and deploy**
 - Automated management with minimal configuration.
- **Scalable**
 - Cloud resources to scale.
- **Robust**
 - Automated analysis, self learning system (with minimal supervision).
- **Interactive**
 - User involvement through feedback and notification.



Deployment Models



Securebox as AP



Securebox as SuperAP



Implementation Securebox

- Hardware
 - FitPC3 (Mobicom, 2015)
 - Raspberry PI (SEC, 2016).
- Floodlight SDN Controller
- Open vSwitch
- Lightweight policy storage (file-based, SQLite).
- Can be included in IoT hubs.



Architecture Security and Management Service

- Web application
 - User, Device, Securebox management.
 - Network policy management.
- Mobile device notifications.
- Amazon, Google, Azure cloud.
- Kubernetes cluster (Lauri Suomalainen)
 - Docker containers.



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Home and Small Office Networks Deployment Preferences

- Securebox deployed as APs.
 - Sensors in edge networks.
 - Data collection.
- SMS maintained by a service provider
 - User subscribes to the services.
 - Micro (security) services.
 - Leased middleboxes for traffic analysis.



Home and Small Office Networks Advantages

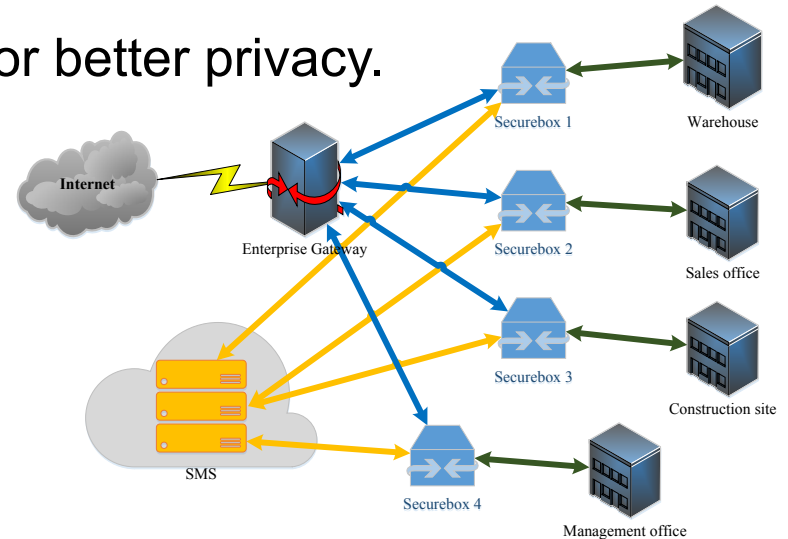
- Automated Network management.
- Enterprise grade security for SOHO users.
- Better device, network management.
 - Data usage, data privacy.
- Block botnet, spam, ransomware.
- User interactive system.
 - Notifications, updates, feedback.





Enterprise Environments Deployment Preferences

- Securebox
 - Replace APs at network vantage points.
- SMS
 - Centrally managed.
 - In-house deployment for better privacy.





Enterprise Environments Advantages

- Central control over the network.
 - Less management overhead.
 - Less human resource required; automated configuration updates.
- Coherent network policies across enterprise.
 - Avoid configuration loopholes.
- Lower deployment costs.
- Efficient use of enterprise network traffic data.
- Better scalability of networking security infrastructure i.e. Middleboxes.



Setting up secure Wi-Fi environments

- Problem:
 - Leakage of shared PSK from compromised IoT device.
- Solution
 - Using device specific PSKs e.g. Private PSK, Dynamic PSK.
 - Still does not block device impersonation attacks.
- Securebox
 - Supports device specific PSK with dynamic access control and other security services.
 - Attacker using device impersonation will get limited access.



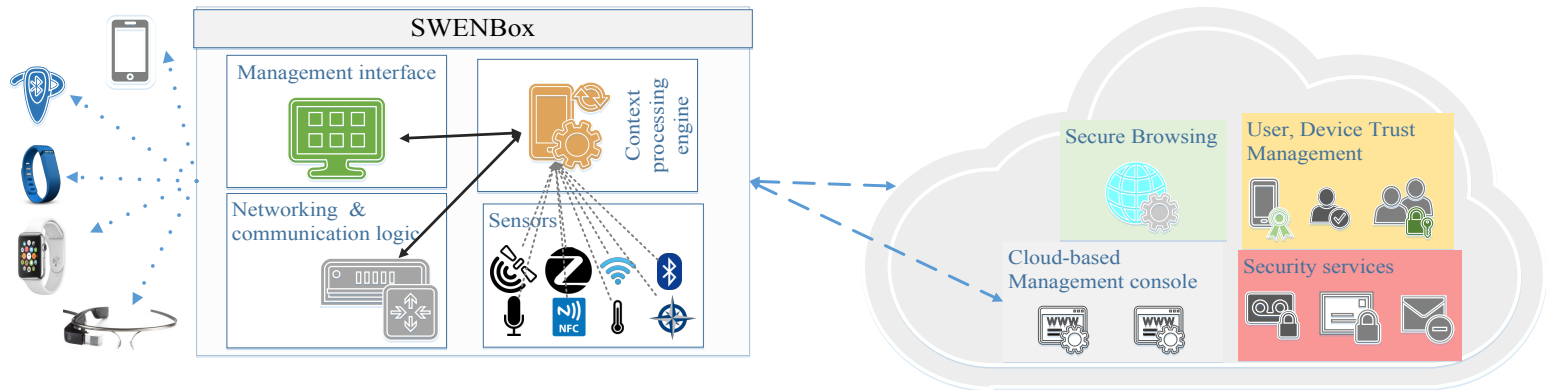
Research Use cases

- Setting up Testbeds
 - Network models.
 - IoT Environments.
- Testing performance of malware, botnet, spam detection approaches.
- Develop and testing of software based middleboxes.



SWENbox: Software-defined Wearable Network with Security Analysis

- Goals.
 - Big trust from little things.
 - Run-time secure pairing, device associations, resource sharing, secure D2D communications.
 - Secure sensing and privacy for wearable devices.





SWENbox Features

- Software-defined networking for wearables.
 - Secure interactions with untrusted IoT devices.
 - Selective isolation of compromised devices.
- Using context-sensing for:
 - Second-factor authentication.
 - Trust ensemble using cloud analytics.
 - Contextual fencing
- Mitigate impersonation, replay attacks.w



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Challenges

- Latency
 - Traffic is analyzed remotely → Design choices (Policy database updates & local cache (Zipf's Law))
- Privacy
 - Remote analysis of user data → Use minimal data from user
- Attacks against the system
 - Rogue secureboxes launching DDoS → Logging & anomaly detection.
 - Request for falsified traffic queries → Human/ Automated supervision, feedback loopback
- False positives
 - Threat and Malware analysis → Feedback loop, incentivized learning



State of the Art

- **Remote deployment of middleboxes.**
 - J. Sherry et al. (SIGCOMM, 2012); C. Lan et al. (NSDI, 2016); SENSS (SIGCOMM, 2014)
- **Middlebox as a Service.**
 - Blackbox (SIGCOMM, 2015); DPI-as-a-Service (CoNEXT, 2014)
- **Improving Home Networks.**
 - N. Feamster (HomeNets, 2010); Tialong et al., (HotNets 2015); T. Zachariah (HotMobile, 2015); uCap (UbiComp, 2012); SpaceHub (HotNets, 2015); Contextual Router (SOSR, 2016)
- **IoT Security.**
 - Z. K. Zhang et al. (ASIA-CCS, 2015); C. Liu et al. (Elsevier, 2014); E. Farnandes (SOSP, 2016)



Products



Bitdefender Box \$399

<http://www.bitdefender.com/box/>



Google onHub \$199

<https://on.google.com/hub/>



F-Secure Sense

\$199 (inc. 12 month membership)

<https://sense.f-secure.com/>



Dojo \$99

<https://www.dojo-labs.com/product/dojo/#>



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