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Internet of Things:

Threats and counter measures with Java

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IoT security in the Press

- Some car-related headlines
 - BMW ConnectedDrive hack sees 2.2 million cars exposed to remote unlocking (02/02)
 - DARPA Hacks GM's OnStar To Remote Control A Chevrolet Impala (02/08)
 - US Senate Report: Automakers fail to fully protect against hacking (02/09)
 - Hackers take control of Jeep on the highway (August)
- Medical devices, industry automation, and other things
 - Hackers had struck an unnamed steel mill in Germany (Jan)
 - U.S. government probes medical devices for possible cyber flaws (Oct 14)

Privacy

Spying

**Remote
Control**

Theft

**Physical
damage**

Murder?

Security Use Case : Industrial / Home Alarm System

Today : Alarm components vulnerabilities weaken the system

Hackers aim at modifying the behavior of alarm components

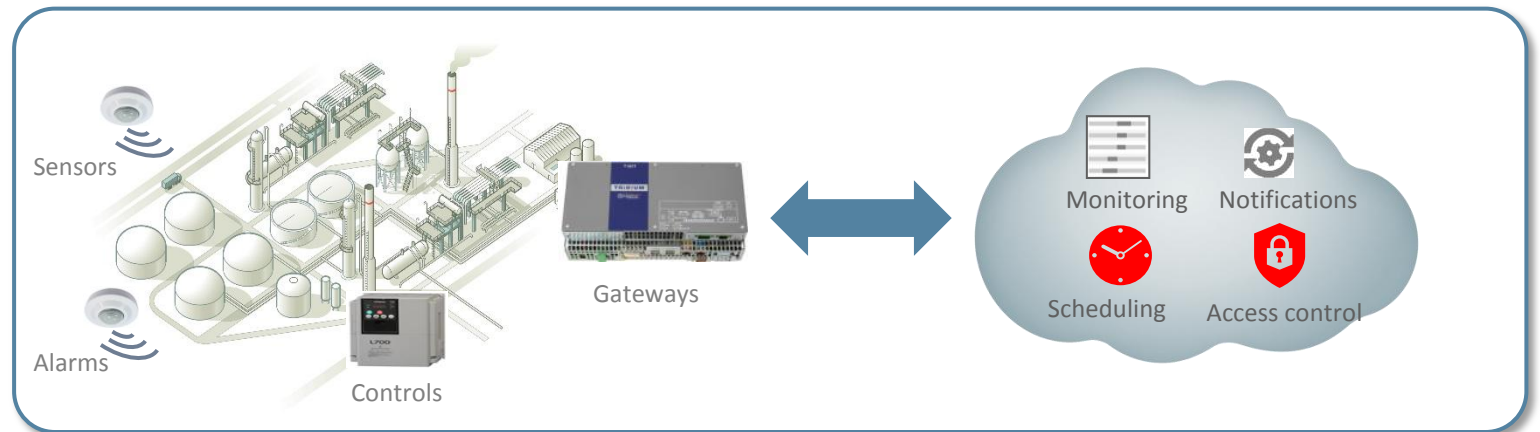
Best Case

- False positive alarms

Worse Case

- Physical security breach
- Damage to equipment / industrial accident

- Credentials can be reverse-engineered
- Compromised devices can be inserted and weaken the system
- Poor communication encryption enables man in the middle attacks



Security Use Case : Connected Car

Today : Multiple vulnerabilities in a car stack

Hackers aim at controlling a car head unit or telematics remotely

Best Case

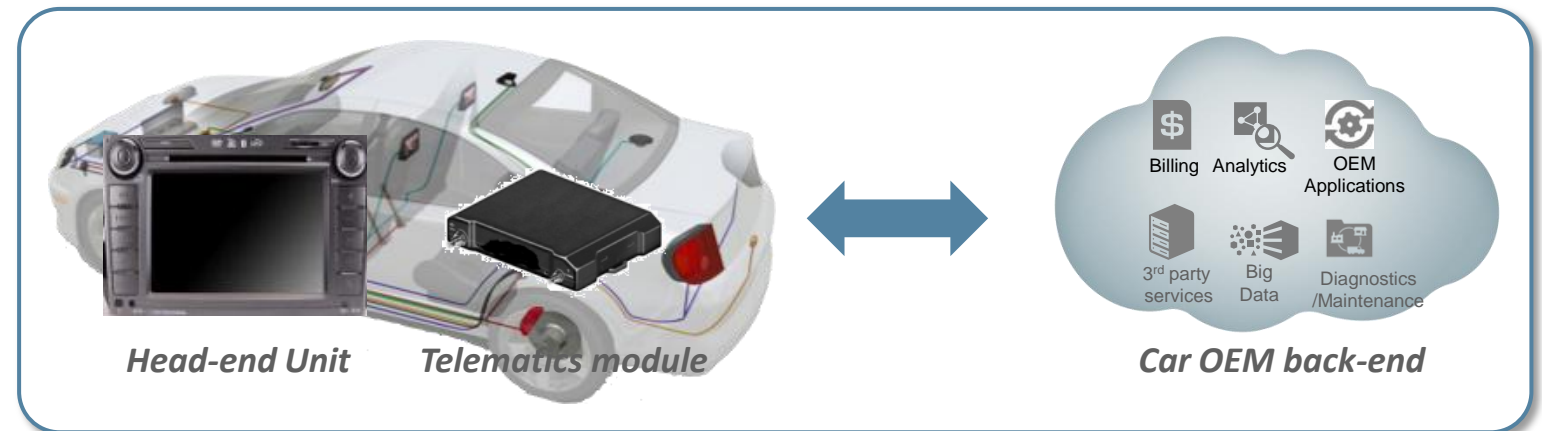
- Disruption of in-car information / entertainment
- Loss of confidential owner data/privacy

Worse Case

- Car unlock / theft
- Disruption of car mechanics / loss of life

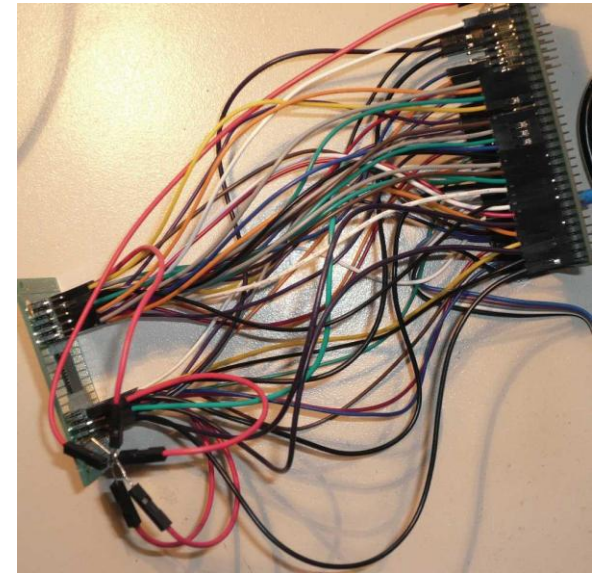
- Credentials accessible in plaintext
- Poor crypto implementations

- Poorly implemented protocols
- Poor credential management and provisioning process



In Practice: A recent Car Hack

- A lab has been able to remotely open a (high-end brand) car
 - Reverse engineering the Remote Access features to identify **vulnerabilities**
 - Exploiting the vulnerabilities identified through an **attack path**
- The list of vulnerabilities is rather long
 - The same keys are used in all vehicles
 - Some messages are not encrypted
 - Configuration data is not tamper-proof
 - The crypto algorithm used (DES) is outdated and broken
 - The software does not include protection against replay attacks
- One fix: The communication is now encrypted using HTTPS



Safety vs. Security

Safety

- Protects against malfunction
 - Focus on quality
- Principles
 - Coverage analysis
 - Detection, mitigation, reaction
 - Simplicity is better
 - Redundancy helps

Security

- Protects against attackers
 - Focus on robustness
 - Several defence layers
- Principles
 - Coverage analysis
 - Detection, mitigation, reaction
 - Simplicity is better
 - Redundancy helps

Car Hack: Poor Decisions

Poor decision	Safety reasoning	Security reasoning
Using the same keys	Simple process No complex infrastructure	Keys need to be diversified A key needs to be broken on every car
No systematic encryption	Only critical messages are encrypted	A secure channel protects against reverse engineering
Configuration data no tamper-proof	Configuration data integrity is protected by a checksum	Configuration data authenticity is protected by a cryptographic checksum
The vehicle ID is in error messages	Simplify diagnosis by having the data	A remote attacker doesn't have the ID, so let's protect it
Using DES	Well-known, fast algorithm	DES is broken, let's mandate AES
No protection against replay attacks	Same message, same action	A recorded message cannot have the same effect when replayed

Threat Analysis

Thinking like an attacker

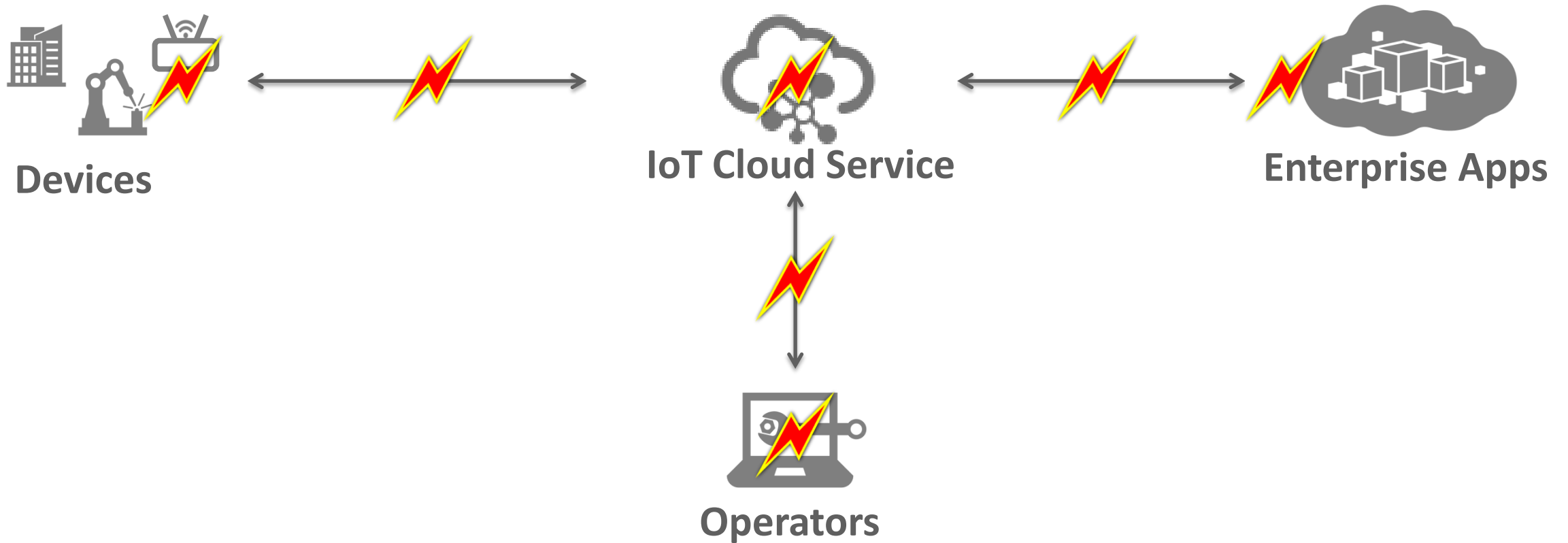
- Very important to validate a design
 - Identify the key assets and their flows
 - Analyze how security protections can be bypassed
 - Consider vulnerabilities as opportunities
- Identify countermeasures to be added to the design
 - And loop again on the analysis

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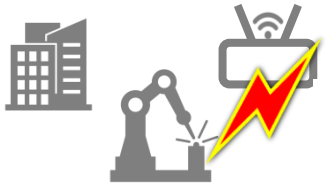
Attack surface

IoT Infrastructure – Attack surface



IoT Infrastructure – Attack surface

Attacking the device



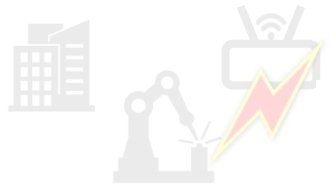
Devices

Thinking like an attacker

- Is the software stack up-to-date?
- Is there any software update mechanism? How robust? Can I block-it? Use-it?
- Can I install my software?
- Is there any device authentication mechanism?
- What about devices connected via a gateway?
- Can I steal devices and reverse engineer? extract credentials?
- Are these credentials diversified or can be reused on other devices? Renewed?
- Need for RTC? Can I abuse RTC? Effects?
- What about physical attacks?
- ...

IoT Infrastructure – Attack surface

Attacking the network traffic



Devices



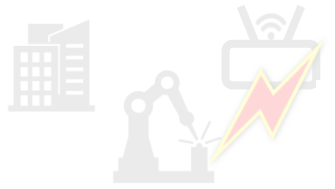
Enterprise Apps

Thinking like an attacker

- Can I replay messages?
- Can I spy messages?
- Can I send fake messages (data, signaling, ...)?
- Can I modify messages? Modify priority? Timestamp? Payload?
- Can I do buffer overflow? code injection?
- Can I perform MITM attack? DoS?
- Can I insert a fake device to abuse the server? A fake server?
- How does it behave if I simulate network contentions?
- ...

IoT Infrastructure – Attack surface

Attacking the users



Devices



Thinking like an attacker

- How the system is configured & managed?
- Which authentication mechanism?
- What operations are authorized?
- Type of workstation used? Dedicated?
- Can I install software on these machines?
- What about social engineering attacks?
- ...



Operators



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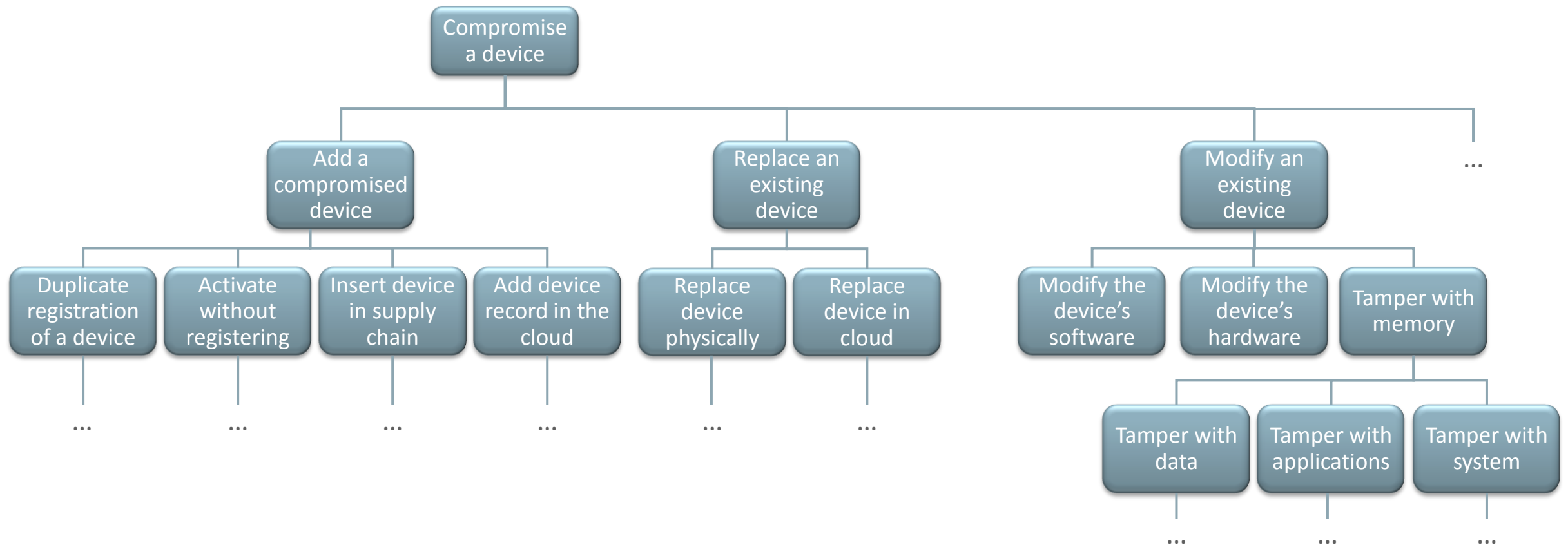
Attack surface

- VERY large attack surface
 - Local or remote attacks
 - Logical or physical attacks
 - Multiple targets (client device, client applications, server, users, operators, ...)
- Requires a **consistent** and **global** approach

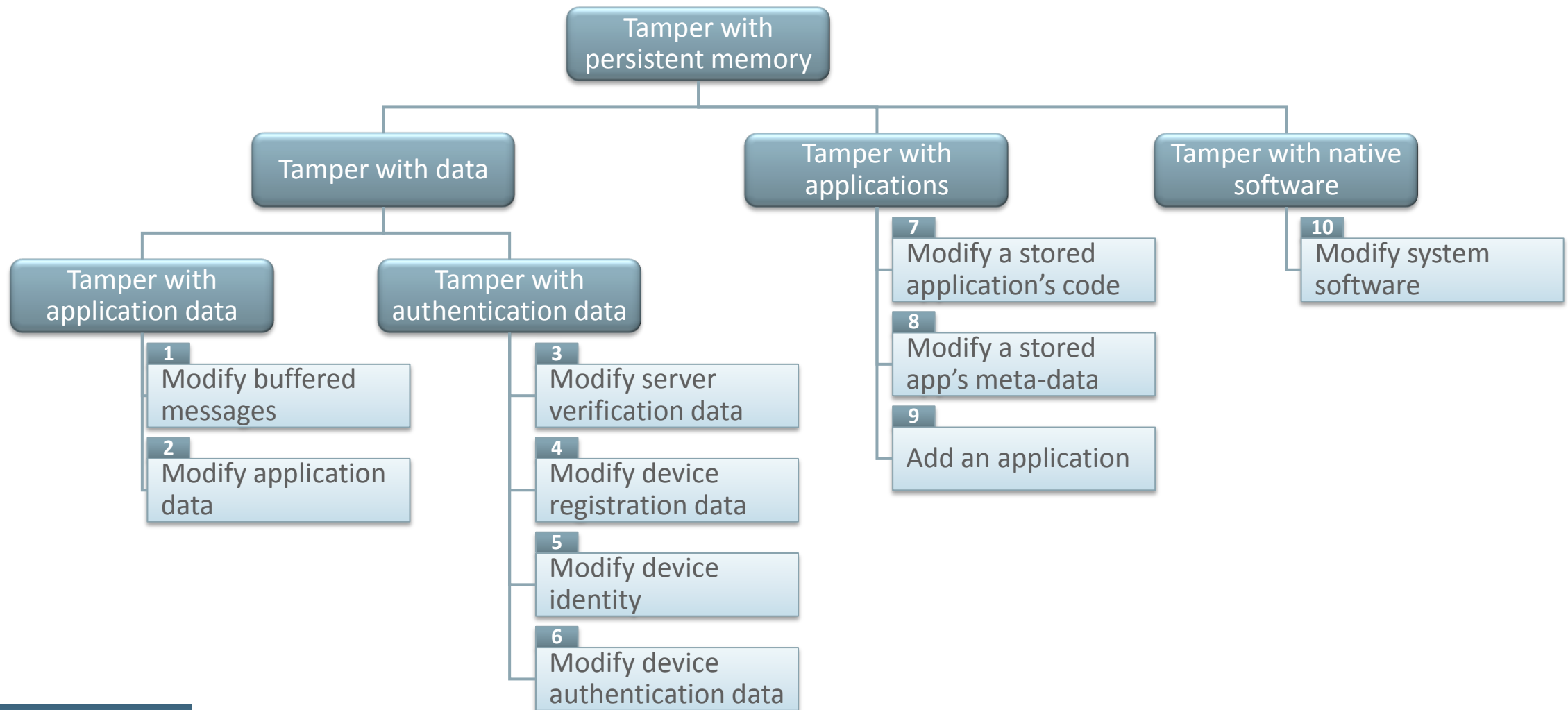
Example

Attacking the authentication credentials used by a device

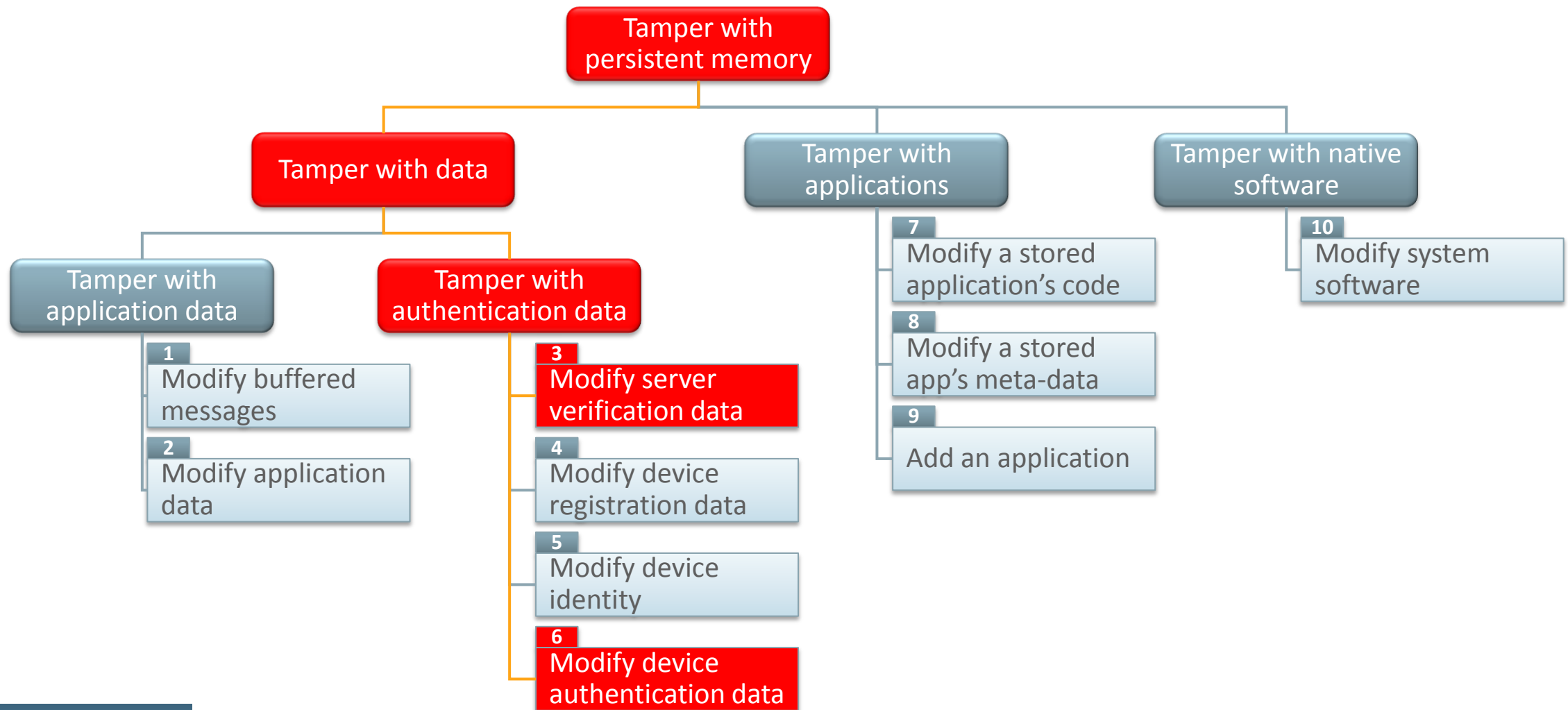
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Scenario and Assets involved

- Typical scenario
 - The device connects to the IoT server and authenticates it
 - The device posts data to the IoT server (requires authentication & authorization)
- Assets on the device:
 - **Trust Anchors**: used by device to authenticate the server
 - **Key Pair**: used by the device to get authenticated by the server

Counter measures to protect these assets

- Do the best to **protect** assets on device
 - Integrity, confidentiality, access control
- **Detect** suspicious behavior
 - Observe behavior in regards to lifecycle state, RBAC policy...
- **React** in case of attack
 - Black list the device, revoke current credentials, ...

Device side

Server side

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Example: Protecting IoT Authentication Assets on a Device

- **Security Design goals**

- **Separation of concerns**

- Do not expose application developers to the handling of credentials
 - Encapsulation of the credentials and operations using them

- **Protection of trust material and credentials**

- Ensure secure storage (integrity, confidentiality) of Trusted Anchors and device KeyPair

- **Extensibility to adopt different strategies when hardware allows**

- Ability to use hardware security when available on a device

Encapsulation of credentials

```
public interface TrustedAssetsManager extends javax.net.ssl.X509TrustManager {  
  
    // encapsulation of the trust anchors  
    void checkServerTrusted(X509Certificate[] chain, String authType) throws CertificateException;  
    void checkClientTrusted(X509Certificate[] chain, String authType) throws CertificateException;  
    public X509Certificate[] getAcceptedIssuers();  
  
    // encapsulation of the Private Key  
    void generateKeyPair(String algorithm, int size) throws GeneralSecurityException;  
    PublicKey getPublicKey();  
    public byte[] signWithPrivateKey(byte[] data, String algorithm) throws GeneralSecurityException;  
}
```

- How does it address design goals?
 - Private key is not exposed to the application to avoid unexpected leaks
 - Trust Anchors are checked internally during authentication process

Generation of the KeyPair

```
import java.security.KeyPairGenerator;

void generateKeyPair(String algorithm, int size) throws GeneralSecurityException {
    [...]

    // create a key generator using the specified Provider
    KeyPairGenerator kpg = KeyPairGenerator.getInstance(algorithm, this.getProvider());

    // generate the keypair
    kpg.initialize(keySize);
    this.keyPair = kpg.generateKeyPair();
}
```

- How does it address design goals?
 - Private **key never extracted** from the device, only public key exported
 - Key is **unique** per device & **renewable** (time before expiration can be configured in server policy)

Store the Private Key in a KeyStore

```
import java.security.KeyStore;

private void store(KeyPair kp, String alias, KeyStore.Builder builder)
    throws GeneralSecurityException {

    // create a key store
    KeyStore ks = builder.getKeyStore();

    // create an entry for the private key
    KeyStore.PrivateKeyEntry entry = new KeyStore.PrivateKeyEntry(
        kp.getPrivate(),
        this.getCertificate(kp.getPublic()));

    // store private key
    ks.setEntry(alias, entry, builder.getProtectionParameter(alias));

}
```

- How does it address design goals?
 - KeyStore provides **integrity** and **confidentiality**
 - Use of KeyStore.Builder allows to compute a **unique password** to access KS (not hardcoded in the application)

Sign data

```
import java.security.Signature;

public byte[] signWithPrivateKey(byte[] data, String algorithm) {
    [...]

    Signature s;

    // create a Signature object using the specified Provider
    s = Signature.getInstance(algorithm, this.getProvider());

    // sign
    s.initSign(this.keyPair.getPrivate());
    s.update(data);
    return s.sign();
}
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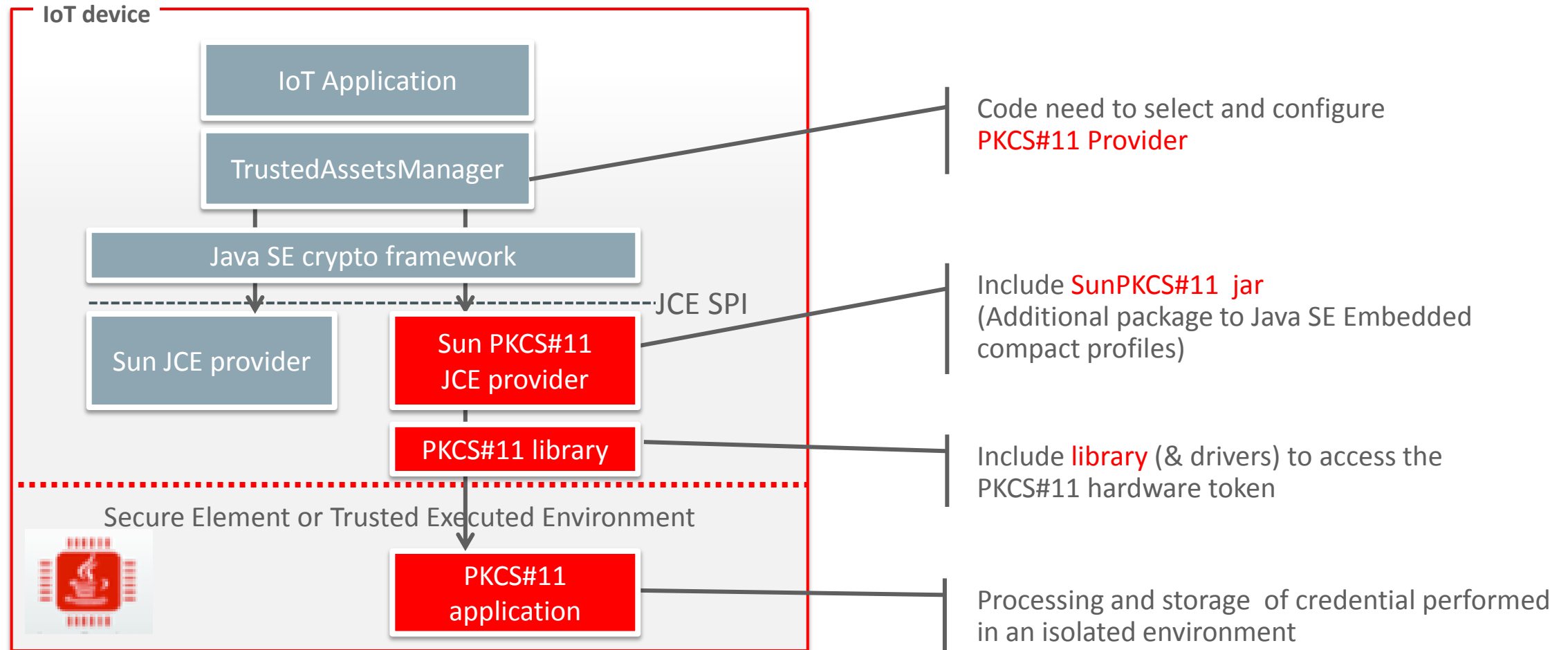
- How does it address design goals?
 - Here the example is simplified (sign everything: might expose the key to unexpected use)
 - Could be improved by generating and signing the authorization/token request

Making use of Hardware Security when available

- Goal:
 - Delegate operations to a security token
 - Security token is a dedicated hardware to securely perform crypto operations
 - Could be embedded Secure Element (eSE) or a Trusted Execution Environment (TEE)
 - Provides physical isolation from applications running on the device
 - eSE provides tamper resistance against physical attacks
 - TEE protects against logical attacks and offers more processing power (e.g. could process the whole TLS flow)
- How to do that?
 - Using a specific security JCE Provider...

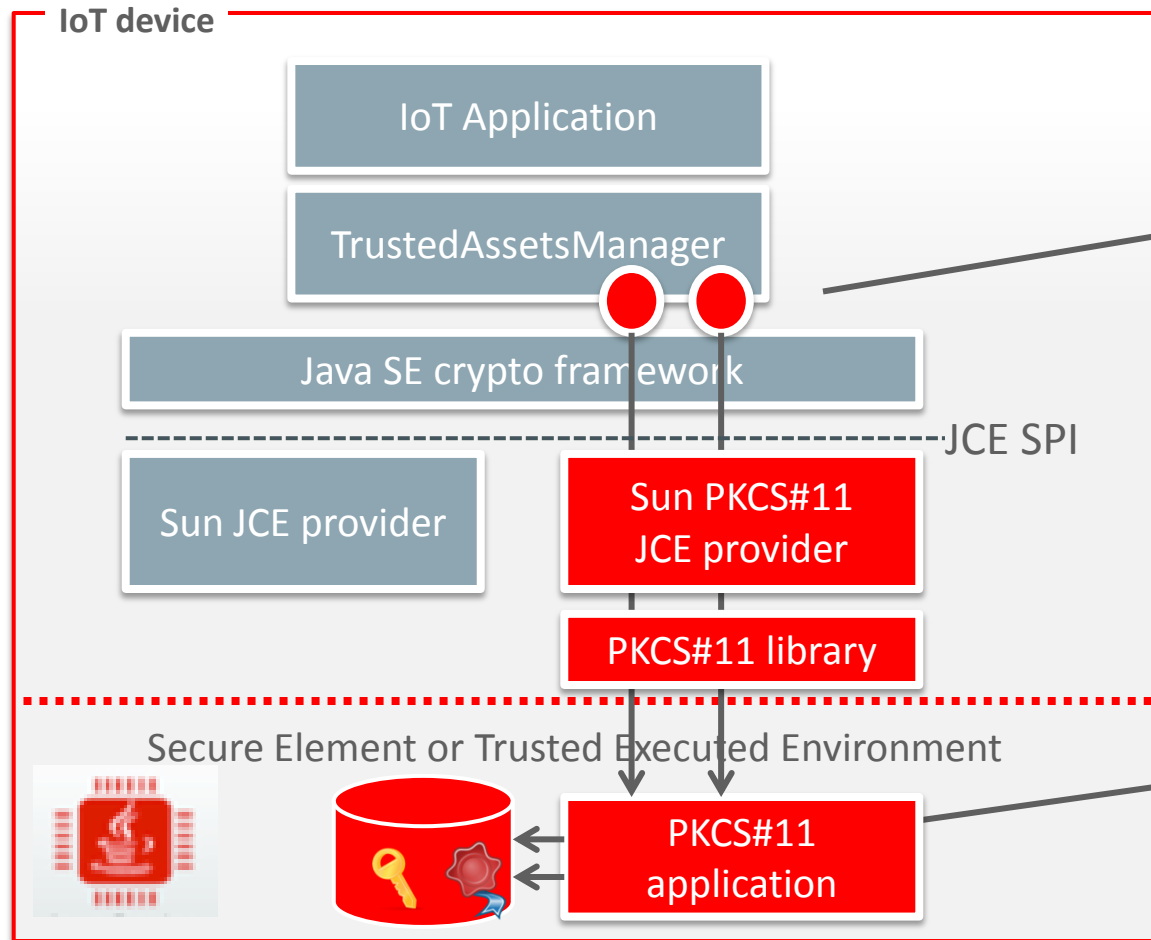


Making use of Hardware Security when available





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Crypto objects (KeyPair, Certificate) are **proxies** redirecting calls to

Real credentials are stored and processed in the secure hardware

Impacts on the code?

```
// Use PKCS11 provider instead of default
Provider getProvider() {
    String conf = "library = my.lib ..."; // PKCS11 configuration parameters
    return new sun.security.pkcs11.SunPKCS11(new ByteArrayInputStream(conf.getBytes()));
}

// The key generator will use this provider and redirect generation into the hardware token
KeyPairGenerator kpg = KeyPairGenerator.getInstance(algorithm, this.getProvider());

// The KeyStore.Builder must create a PKCS11 key store, from PKCS#11 provider:
// storage into this KS will be redirected o the hardware token
KeyStore.Builder ksb = KeyStore.Builder.newInstance("PKCS11", this.getProvider(), pwdProtection);

// The signature will then be performed in the token
Signature s = Signature.getInstance(algorithm, this.getProvider());
```

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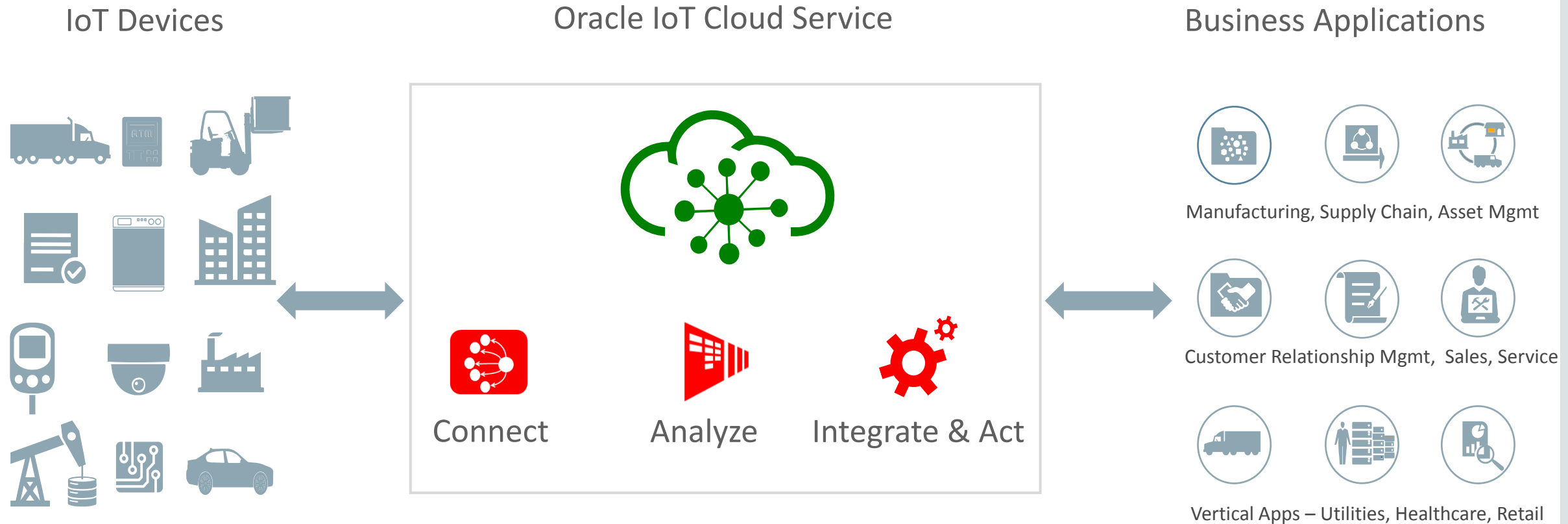
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Beyond the Device

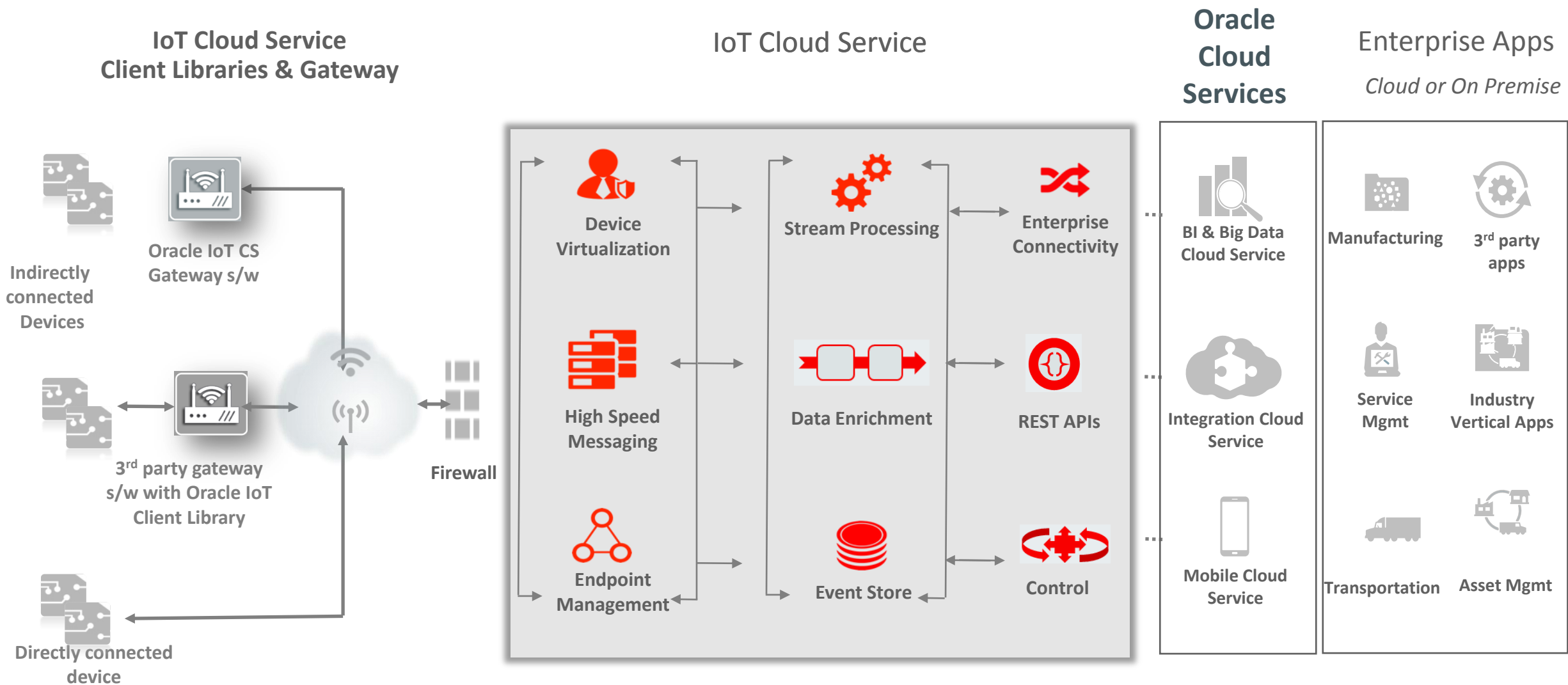
(Some) IoT Infrastructure Requirements for IoT Security

- Protocol security
 - Implementing the protocols securely, with proper options
 - Managing the credentials appropriately
- Device lifecycle management
 - Ensuring that the infrastructure cannot be abused by fake/compromised devices
- Principal authentication and authorization
 - Applying adequate authentication for both devices and users
 - Strictly control access of sensitive operations to authorized principals

An Example of IoT Infrastructure – Oracle IoT Cloud Service



Oracle Internet of Things Cloud Service - Architecture



Oracle IoT Cloud Service – Approach to security



TRUSTED DEVICES

- Security mechanisms provisioned through trusted relationships with devices – uses OAuth2
- Uniquely assigned device identities and use of credentials access devices

Registration

Public Key Auth



NON REPUDIATION

- Enforces authentication prior to communication any device or enterprise software, enabling proof of origin of data
- Transport level security for all communication of sensitive data

OAuth

HTTPS



SECURITY LIFECYCLE

- Secure, managed state transitions to access from
- Restricts types of IoT operations that can be performed

Lifecycle

Role-based Access Control

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Conclusion

- Internet of Things is growing fast, new products
- Lot of interest from hackers – scale & visibility
- Very large attack surface requiring consistent approach and methodology
- Security is a dynamic process – needs to be continuously improved through threat analysis, code checking and countermeasure implementation
 - Implementing a security roadmap is an important step to stay ahead of the attackers
- There is an ecosystem of providers looking to provide infrastructure and components to strengthen system security
 - Java technologies can help securing the Internet of Things
 - Oracle IoT CS can provide security foundations for the IoT infrastructure

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