Cyberfortifying CPS through Security-by-Design

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Outline

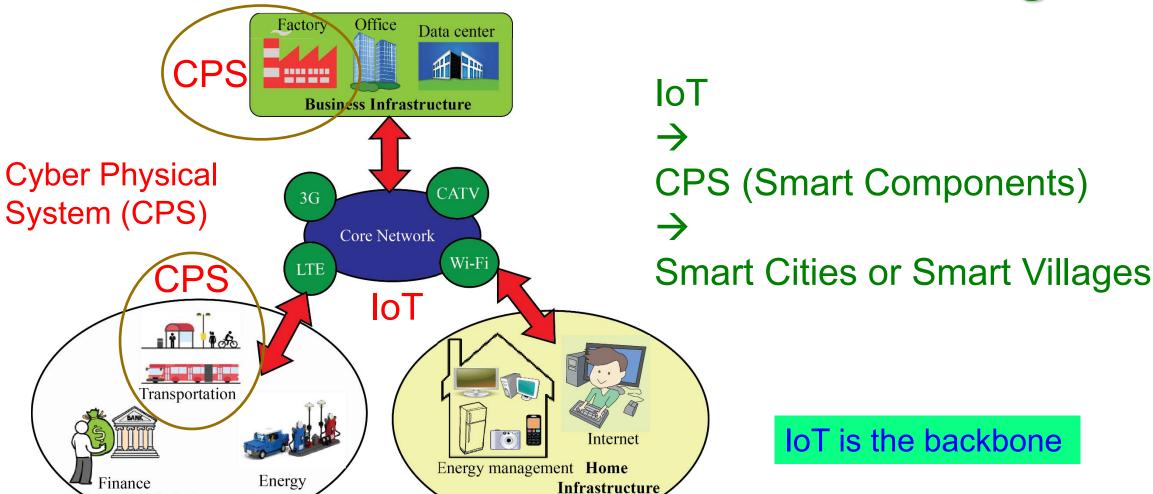
- IoT/CPS Big Picture
- Challenges in IoT/CPS Design
- Cybersecurity Solution for IoT/CPS
- Drawbacks of Existing Cybersecurity Solutions
- Security-by-Design (SbD) The Principle
- Security-by-Design (SbD) Specific Examples
- Is Physical Unclonable Function (PUF) a Solution for All Cybersecurity Problems?
- Is Blockchain a Solution for All Cybersecurity Problems?
- Conclusion



The Big Picture



IoT → CPS → Smart Cities or Smart Villages

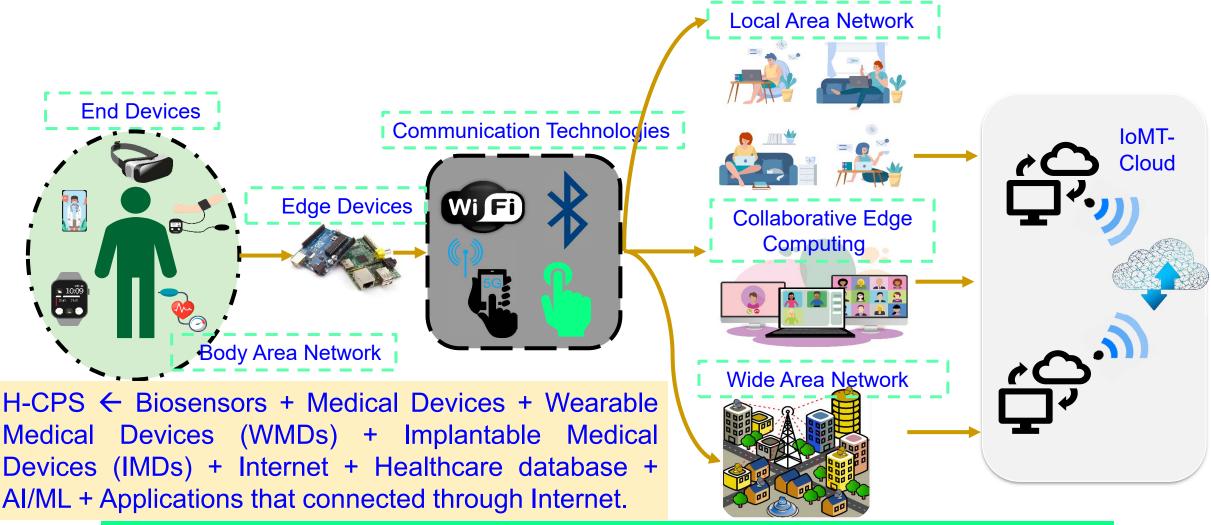


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Public Infrastructure

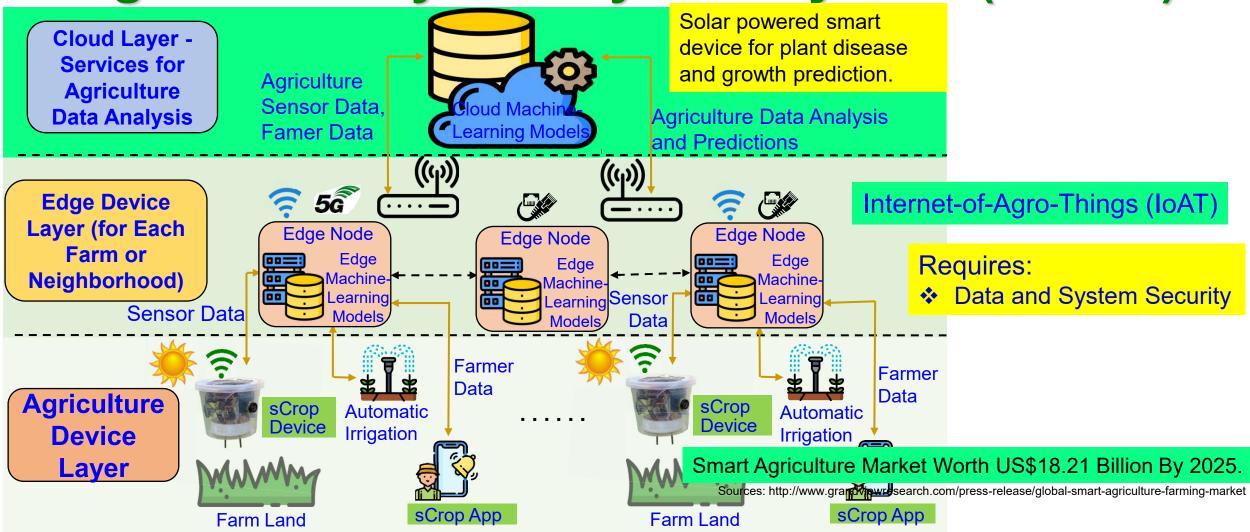
Healthcare Cyber-Physical System (H-CPS)



Frost and Sullivan predicts smart healthcare market value to reach US\$348.5 billion by 2025.



Agriculture Cyber-Physical System (A-CPS)

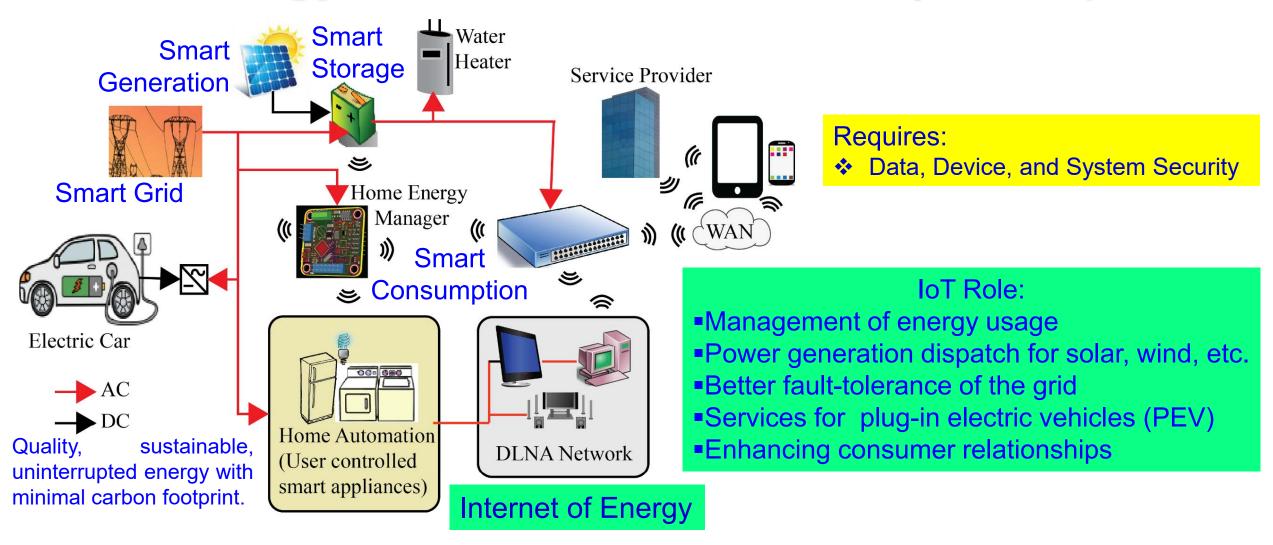


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Energy Cyber-Physical System (E-CPS)



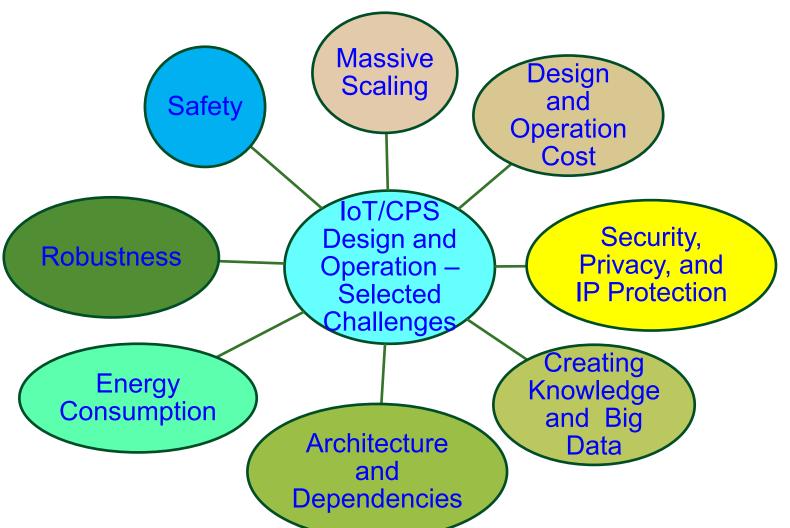
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Challenges in IoT/CPS Design



IoT/CPS - Selected Challenges





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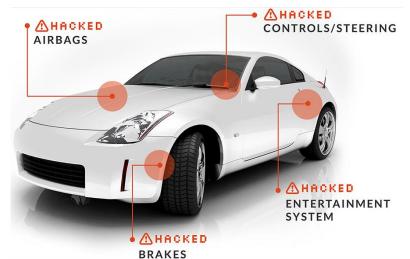


Cybersecurity Challenges - System

Power Grid Attack



Source: http://www.csoonline.com/article/3177209/security/whythe-ukraine-power-grid-attacks-should-raise-alarm.html



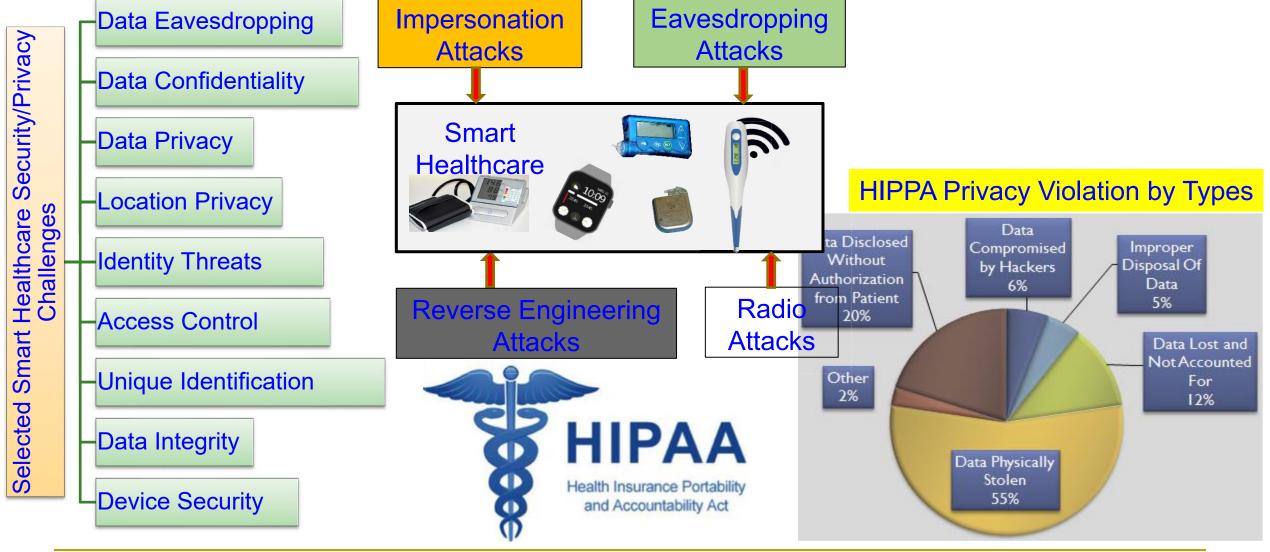
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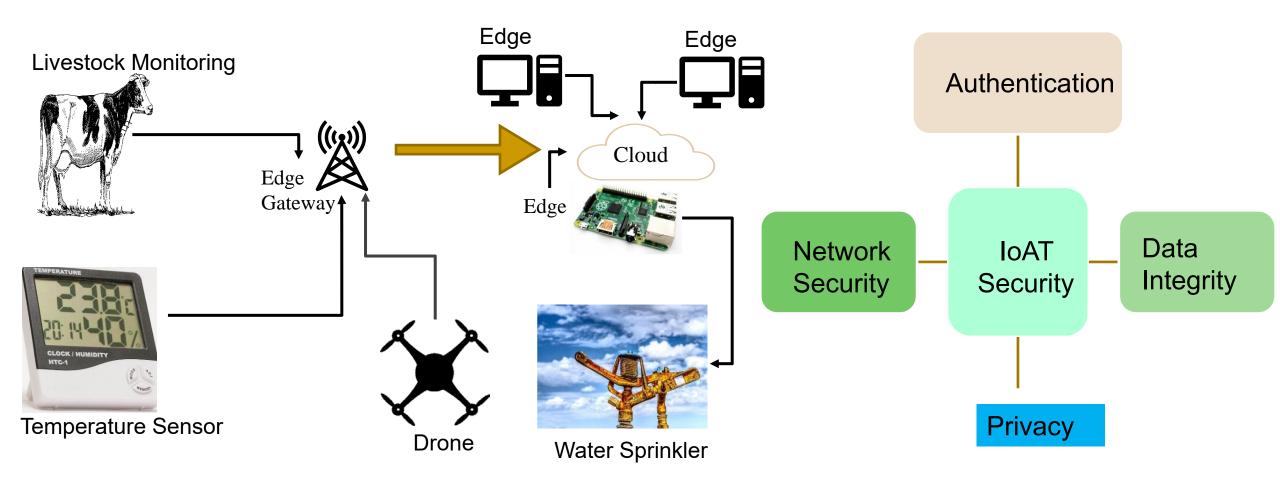
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Smart Healthcare - Cybersecurity and Privacy Issue

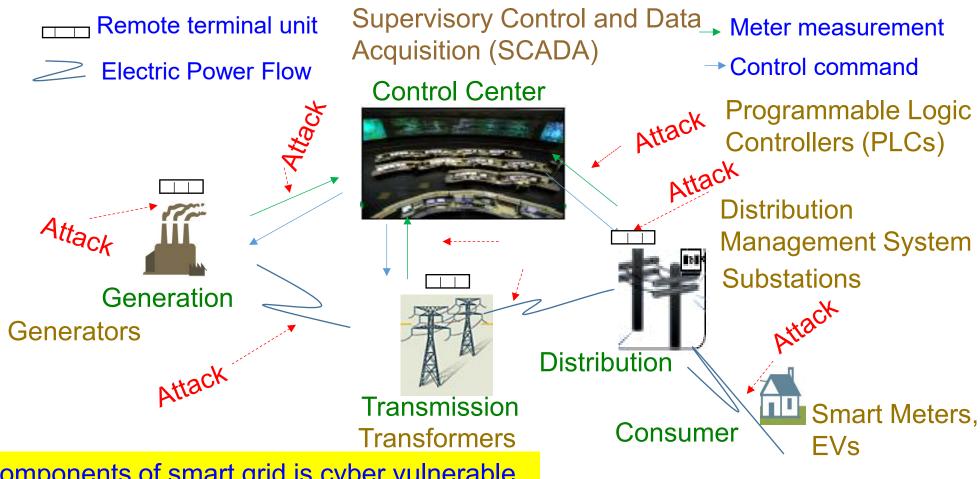


Internet of Agro-Things (IoAT) - Cybersecurity Issue



Source: V. K. V. V. Bathalapalli, S. P. Mohanty, E. Kougianos, V. P. Yanambaka, B. K. Baniya and B. Rout, "A PUF-based Approach for Sustainable Cybersecurity in Smart Agriculture," in *Proc. 19th OITS International Conference on Information Technology (OCIT)*, 2021, pp. 375-380, doi: 10.1109/OCIT53463.2021.00080.

Smart Grid - Vulnerability

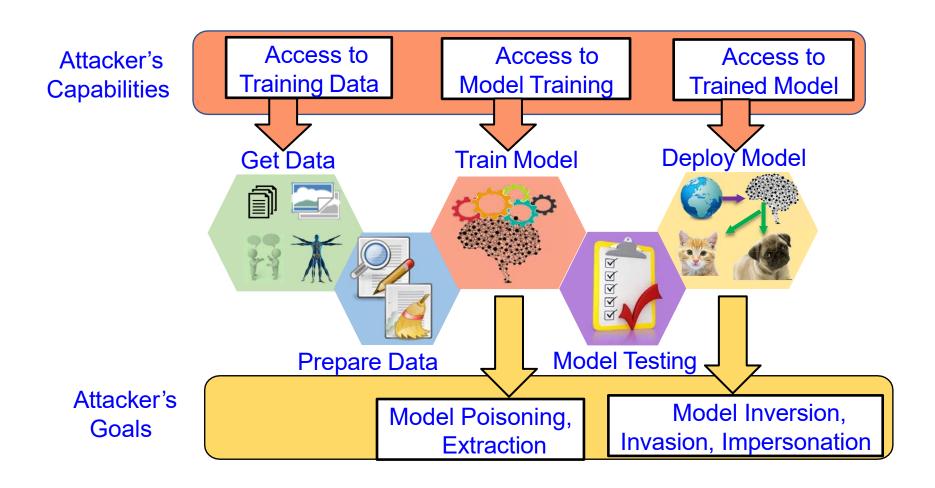


ICT components of smart grid is cyber vulnerable.

Source: (1) R. K. Kaur, L. K. Singh and B. Pandey, "Security Analysis of Smart Grids: Successes and Challenges," IEEE Consumer Electronics Magazine, vol. 8, no. 2, pp. 10-15, March 2019. (2)https://www.enisa.europa.eu/topics/critical-information-infrastructures-and-services/smart-grids/smart-grids-and-smart-metering/ENISA Annex%20II%20-%20Security%20Aspects%20of%20Smart%20Grid.pdf



AI Security - Attacks



Source: Sandip Kundu ISVLSI 2019 Keynote.



Fake Data and Fake Hardware – Both are Equally Dangerous in CPS





Al can be fooled by fake data



Al can create fake data (Deepfake)





Authentic Fake
An implantable medical device





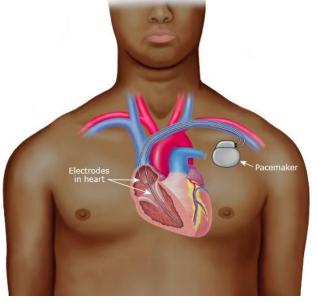
Authentic Fake
A plug-in for car-engine computers



Fake is Cheap – Why not Buy?









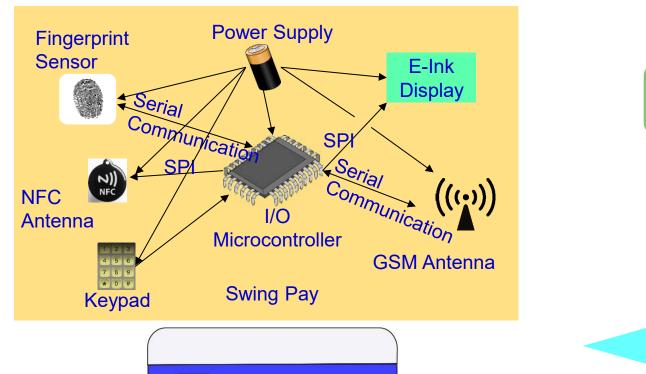


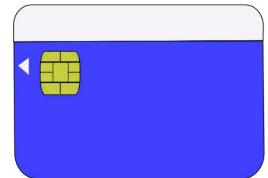
Cybersecurity Solution for IoT/CPS

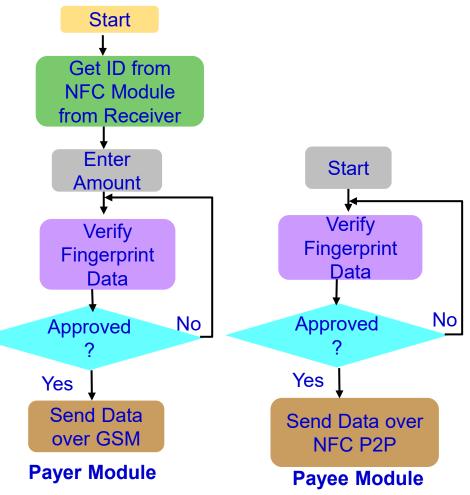




Our Swing-Pay: NFC Cybersecurity Solution



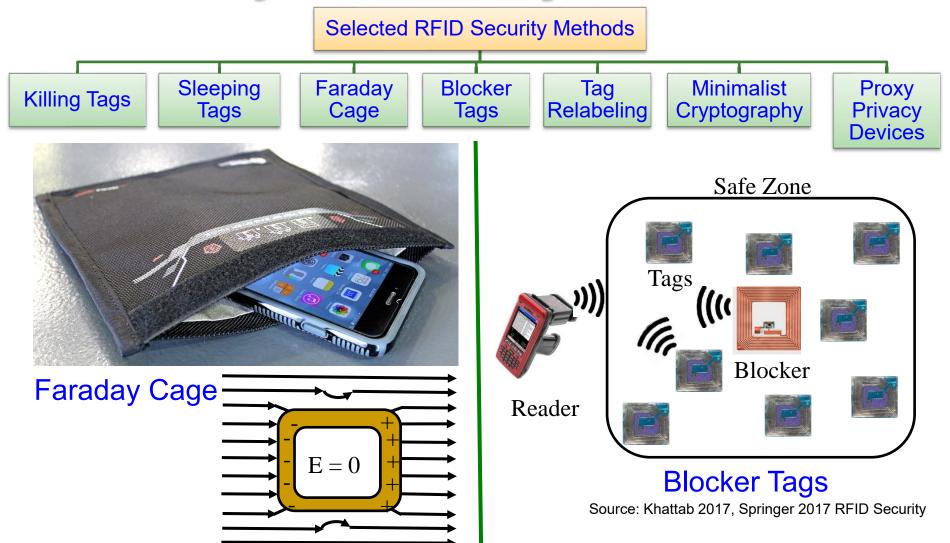




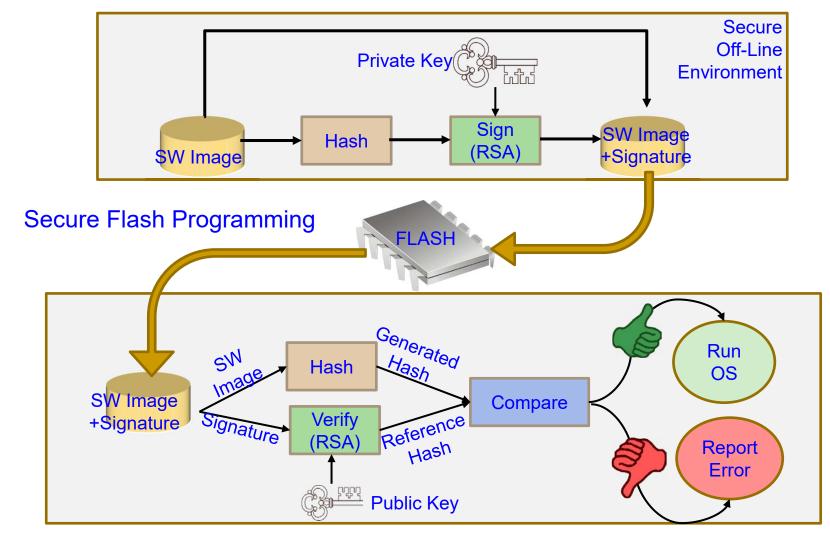
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RFID Cybersecurity - Solutions



Firmware Cybersecurity - Solution

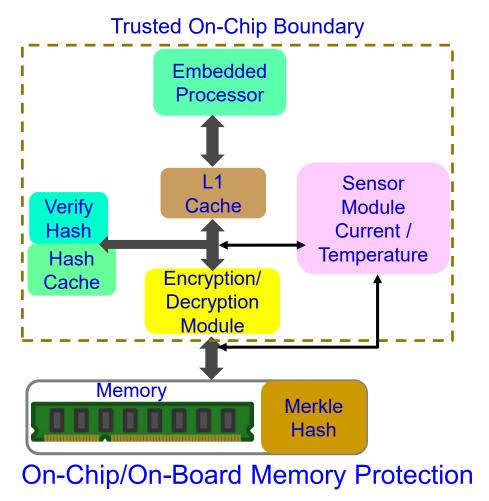


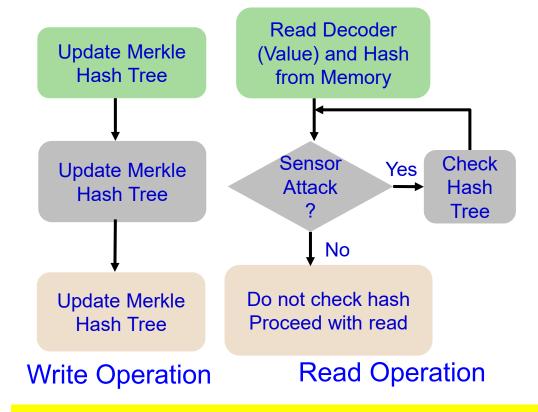
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Embedded Memory Security



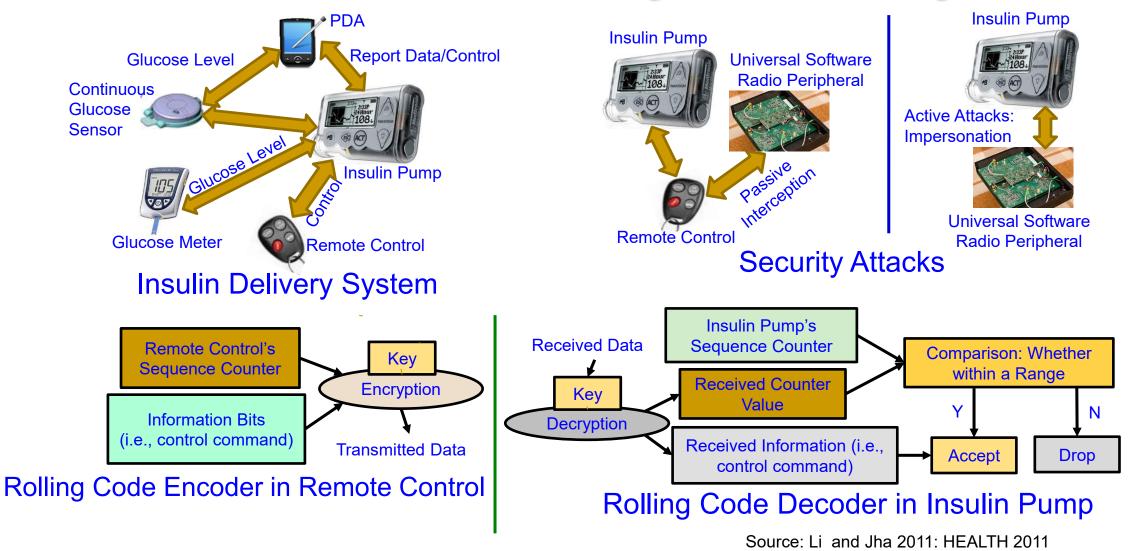


Memory integrity verification with 85% energy savings with minimal performance overhead.

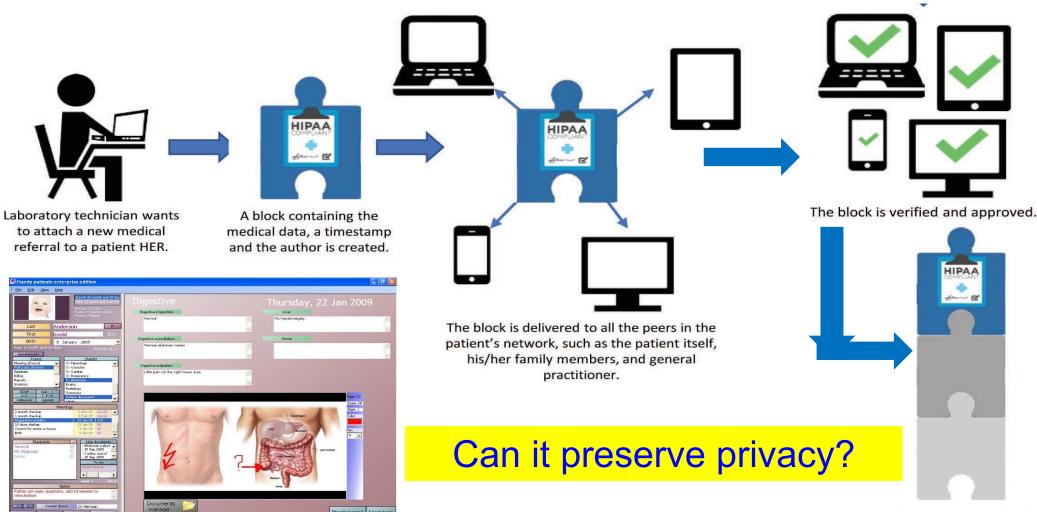
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Smart Healthcare Cybersecurity



Blockchain in Smart Healthcare



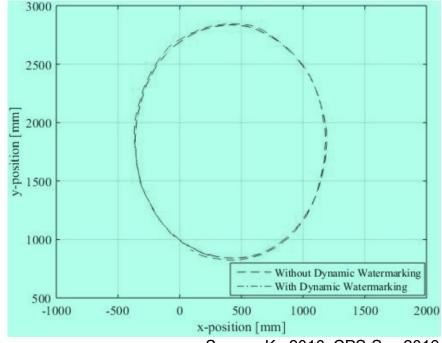
Source: C. Esposito, A. De Santis, G. Tortora, H. Chang and K. R. Choo, "Blockchain: A Panacea for Healthcare Cloud-Based Data Security and Privacy?," *IEEE Cloud Computing*, vol. 5, no. 1, pp. 31-37, Jan./Feb. 2018.

The block is inserted in the chain and linked with the previous blocks.



Autonomous Car Cybersecurity – Collision Avoidance

- Attack: Feeding of malicious sensor measurements to the control and the collision avoidance module. Such an attack on a position sensor can result in collisions between the vehicles.
- □ Solutions: "Dynamic Watermarking" of signals to detect and stop such attacks on cyber-physical systems.
- □ Idea: Superimpose each actuator *i* a random signal $e_i[t]$ (watermark) on control policy-specified input.



Source: Ko 2016, CPS-Sec 2016



Drawbacks of Existing Cybersecurity Solutions



IT Cybersecurity Solutions Can't be Directly Extended to IoT/CPS Cybersecurity

IT Cybersecurity

- IT infrastructure may be well protected rooms
- Limited variety of IT network devices
- Millions of IT devices
- Significant computational power to run heavy-duty security solutions
- IT security breach can be costly

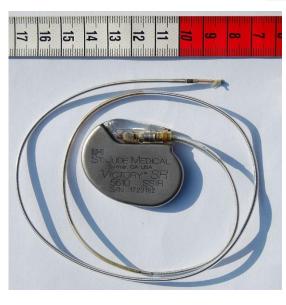
IoT Cybersecurity

- loT may be deployed in open hostile environments
- Significantly large variety of IoT devices
- Billions of loT devices
- May not have computational power to run security solutions
- IoT security breach (e.g. in a IoMT device like pacemaker, insulin pump) can be life threatening

Incorporation of Cybersecurity of Electronic Systems, IoT, CPS, needs Energy, and hence affects Performance.



H-CPS Cybersecurity Measures is Hard - Energy Constrained



Pacemaker Battery Life - 10 years



Neurostimulator Battery Life - 8 years

- ➤ Implantable Medical Devices (IMDs) have integrated battery to provide energy to all their functions → Limited Battery Life depending on functions
- ➤ Higher battery/energy usage → Lower IMD lifetime
- ➤ Battery/IMD replacement → Needs surgical risky procedures

Source: C. Camara, P. Peris-Lopeza, and J. E.Tapiadora, "Security and privacy issues in implantable medical devices: A comprehensive survey", *Elsevier Journal of Biomedical Informatics*, Volume 55, June 2015, Pages 272-289.



Smart Car Cybersecurity - Latency Constrained

Protecting Communications

Particularly any Modems for Invehicle Infotainment (IVI) or in Onboard Diagnostics (OBD-II)

Over The Air (OTA) Management
From the Cloud to Each Car

Cars can have 100 Electronic Control Units (ECUs) and 100 million lines of code, each from different vendors – Massive cybersecurity issues.

Protecting Each Module

Sensors, Actuators, and Anything with an Microcontroller Unit (MCU)

Mitigating Advanced Threats
Analytics in the Car and in the Cloud

Source: http://www.symantec.com/content/en/us/enterprise/white_papers/public-building-security-into-cars-20150805.pdf

- Connected cars require latency of ms to communicate and avoid impending crash:
 - Faster connection
 - Low latency

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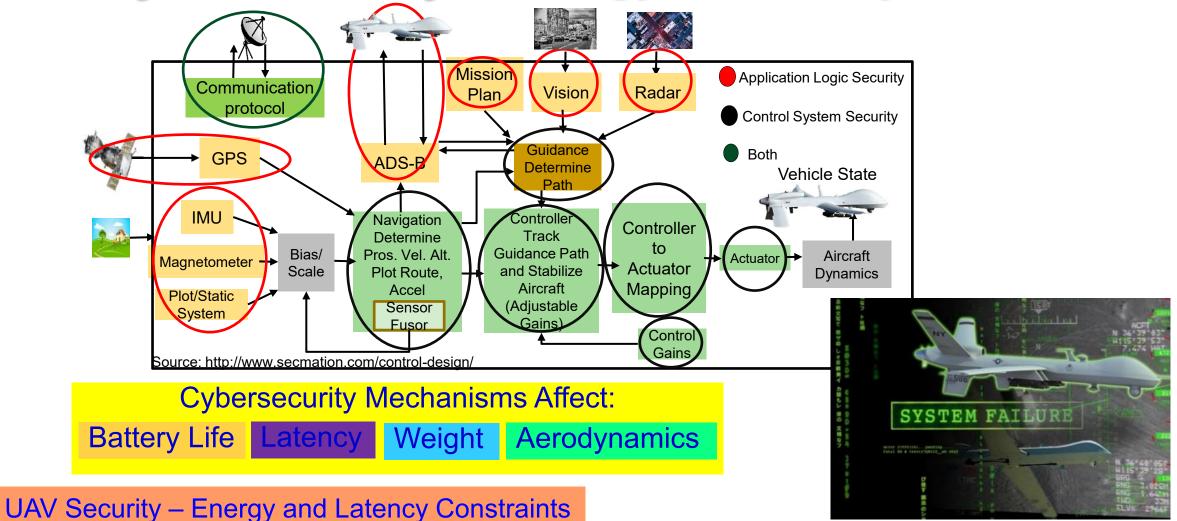
Energy efficiency

Security Mechanism Affects:

- Latency
- Mileage
- Battery Life



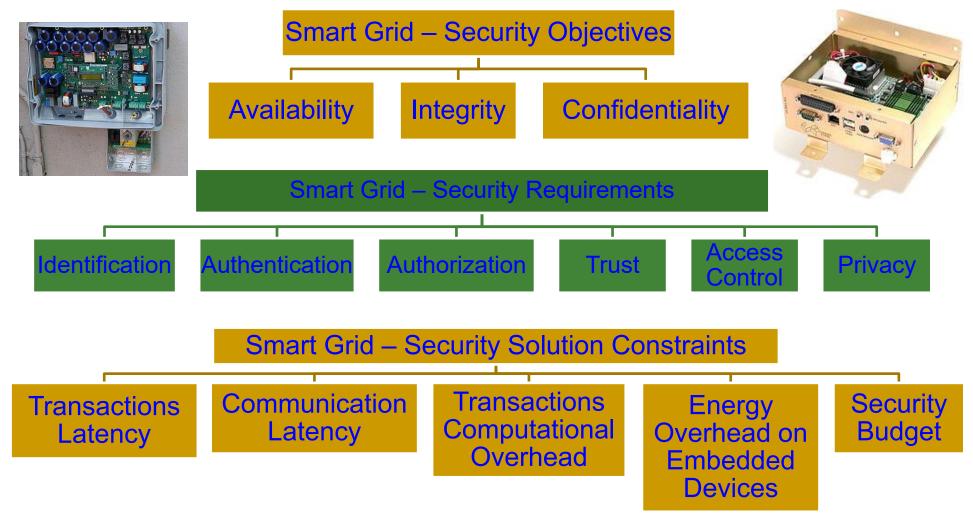
UAV Cybersecurity - Energy & Latency Constrained



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Smart Grid Security Constraints



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Cybersecurity Attacks – Software Vs Hardware Based

Software Based

- Software attacks via communication channels
- Typically from remote
- More frequent
- Selected Software based:
 - Denial-of-Service (DoS)
 - Routing Attacks
 - Malicious Injection
 - Injection of fraudulent packets
 - Snooping attack of memory
 - Spoofing attack of memory and IP address
 - Password-based attacks



Hardware Based

- Hardware or physical attacks
- Maybe local
- More difficult to prevent
- Selected Hardware based:
 - Hardware backdoors (e.g. Trojan)
 - Inducing faults
 - Electronic system tampering/ jailbreaking
 - Eavesdropping for protected memory
 - Side channel attack
 - Hardware counterfeiting

Source: Mohanty ICCE Panel 2018



Cybersecurity Solutions – Software Vs Hardware Based

Software Based

- Introduces latency in operation
- Flexible Easy to use, upgrade and update
- Wider-Use Use for all devices in an organization
- Higher recurring operational cost
- Tasks of encryption easy compared to hardware – substitution tables
- Needs general purpose processor to run
- Can't stop hardware reverse engineering

Source: Mohanty ICCE Panel 2018



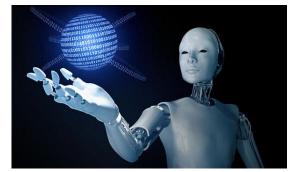
Hardware Based

- High-Speed operation
- Energy-Efficient operation
- Low-cost using ASIC and FPGA
- Tasks of encryption easy compared to software – bit permutation
- Easy integration in electronic systems
- Possible security at source-end like sensors, better suitable for IoT
- Susceptible to side-channel attacks
- Can't stop software reverse engineering

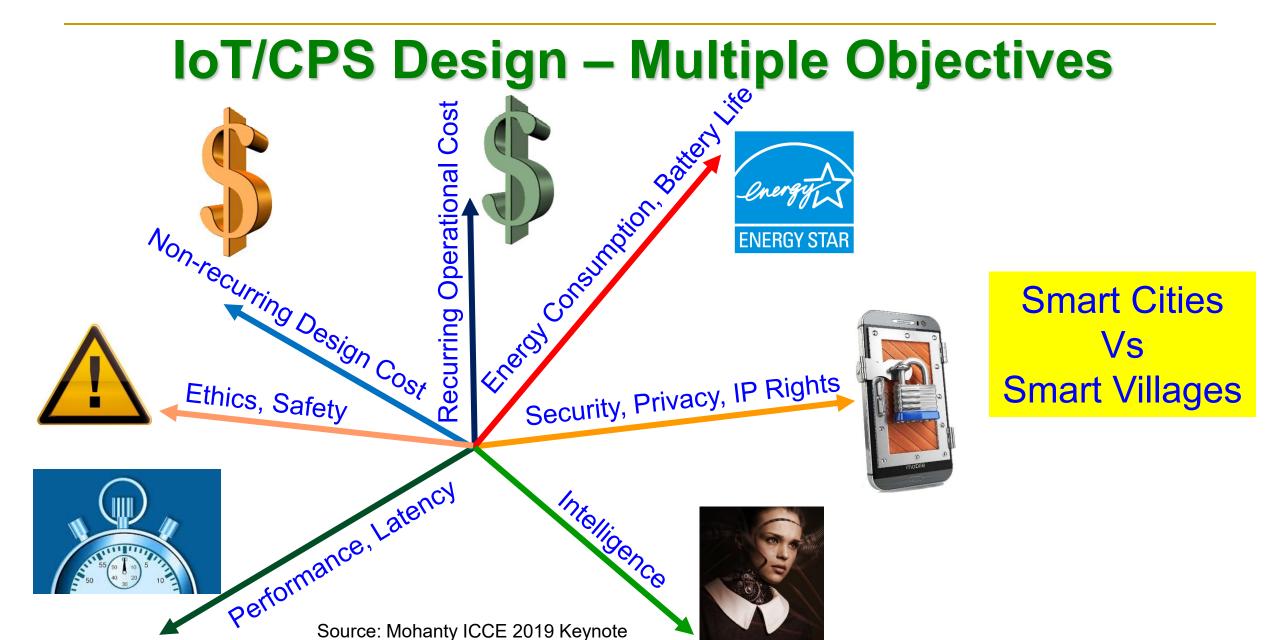


Security-by-Design (SbD) – The Principle









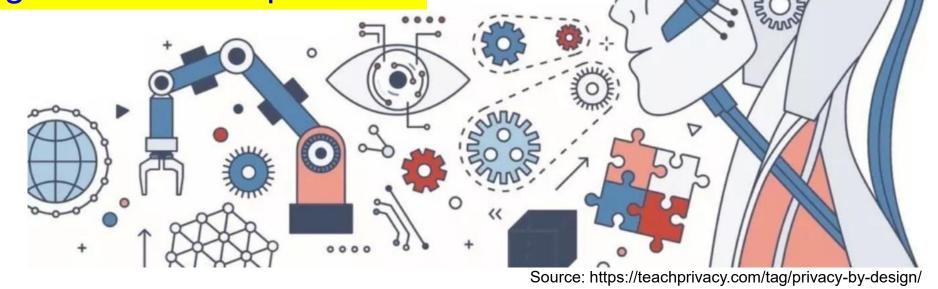


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Security by Design (SbD) and/or Privacy by Design (PbD)

Embedding of security/privacy into the architecture (hardware+software) of various products, programs, or services.

Retrofitting: Difficult -> Impossible!



Security by Design (SbD)



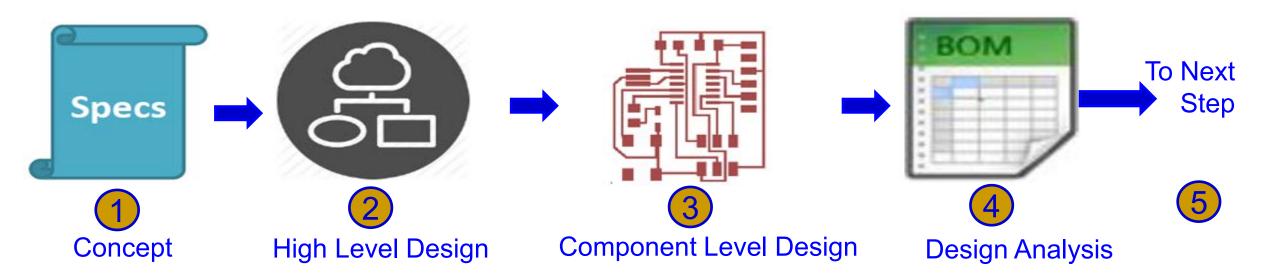
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SbD Principle – IoT/CPS Design Flow ...

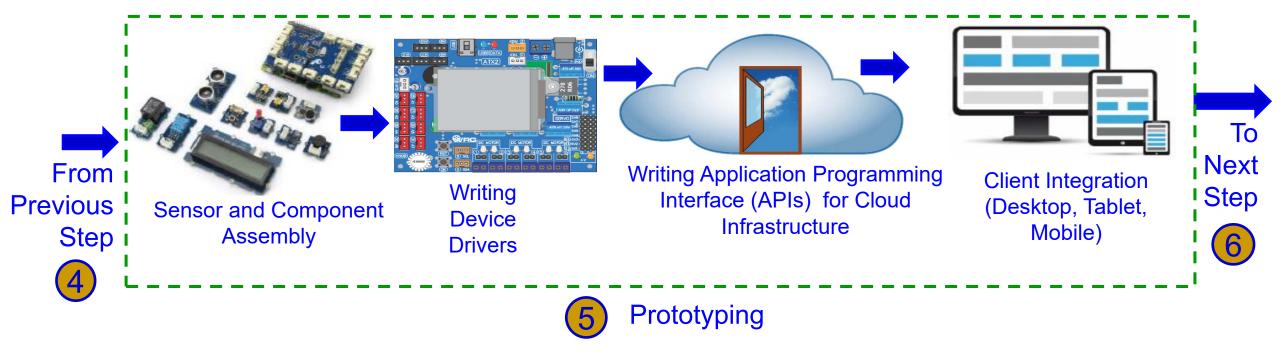


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SbD Principle – IoT/CPS Design Flow



How to validate and document cybersecurity and privacy features at every stage of production?

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A Specific SbD Approach: Hardware-Assisted Security (HAS)

- Hardware-Assisted Security: Security provided by hardware for:
 - (1) information being processed,
 - (2) hardware itself,
 - (3) overall system

Privacy by Design (PbD

Security/Secure by Design (SbD

- Additional hardware components used for cybersecurity.
- Hardware design modification is performed.
- System design modification is performed.

 RF Hardware Security Digital Hardware Security Side Channel

Hardware Trojan Protection Information Security, Privacy, Protection

Bluetooth Hardware Security

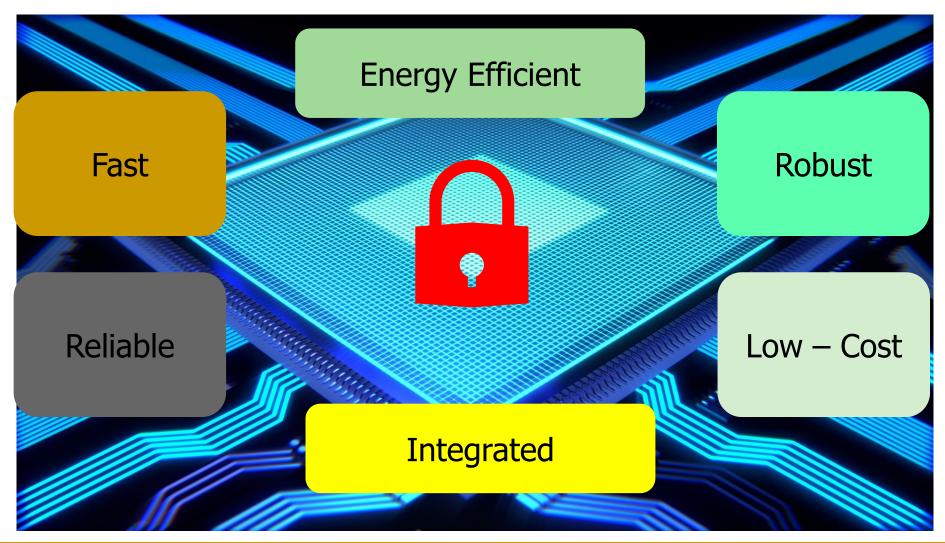
Digital Core IP Protection

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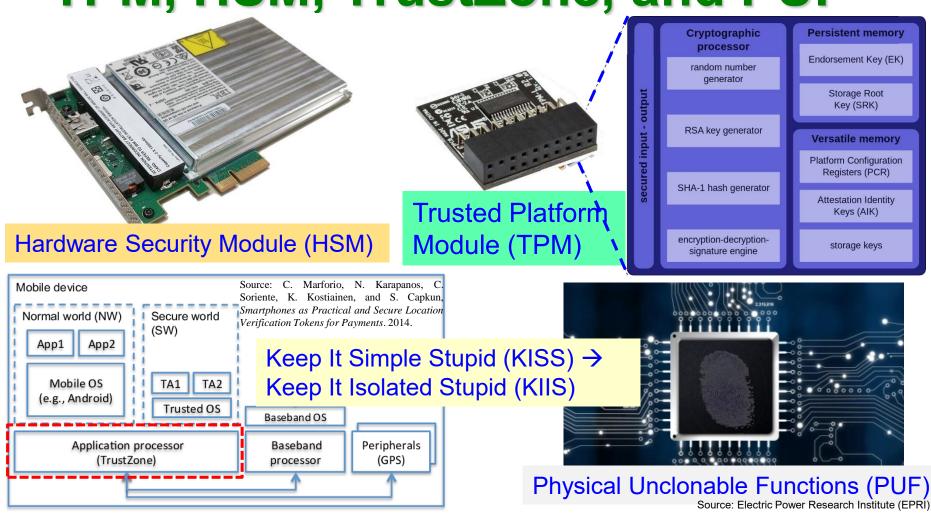


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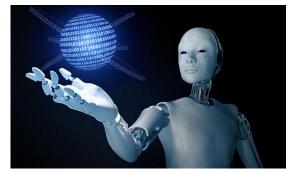


SbD/HAS Primitives – TPM, HSM, TrustZone, and PUF



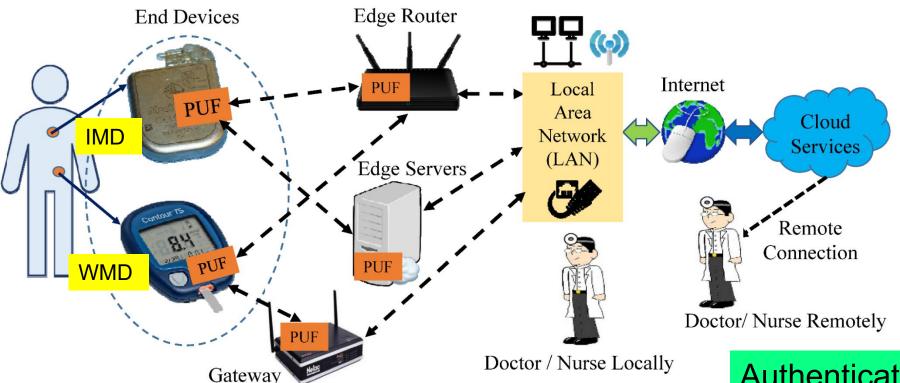
Security-by-Design (SbD) – Specific Examples







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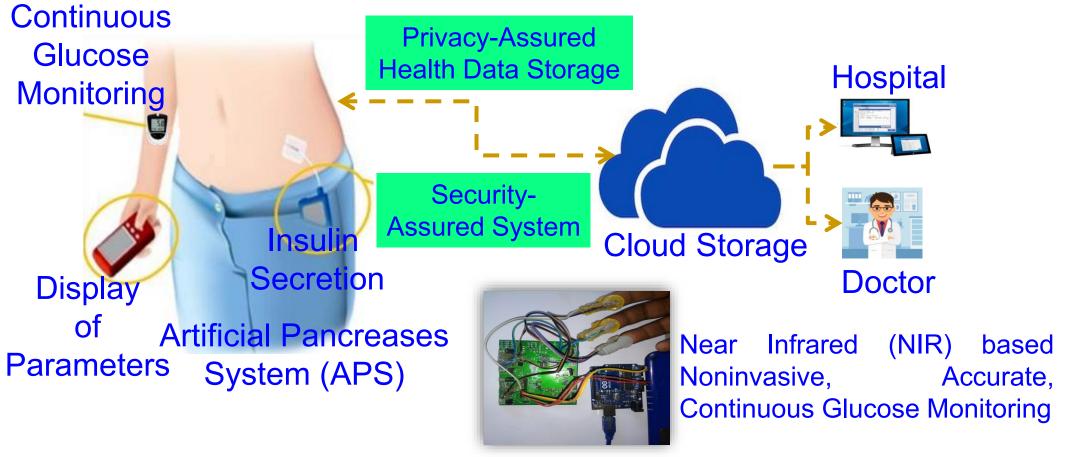


Authenticates Time - 1 sec Power Consumption - 200 μW

Source: V. P. Yanambaka, S. P. Mohanty, E. Kougianos, and D. Puthal, "PMsec: Physical Unclonable Function-Based Robust and Lightweight Authentication in the Internet of Medical Things", *IEEE Transactions on Consumer Electronics (TCE)*, Volume 65, Issue 3, August 2019, pp. 388--397.



iGLU: Accurate Glucose Level Monitoring and Secure Insulin Delivery

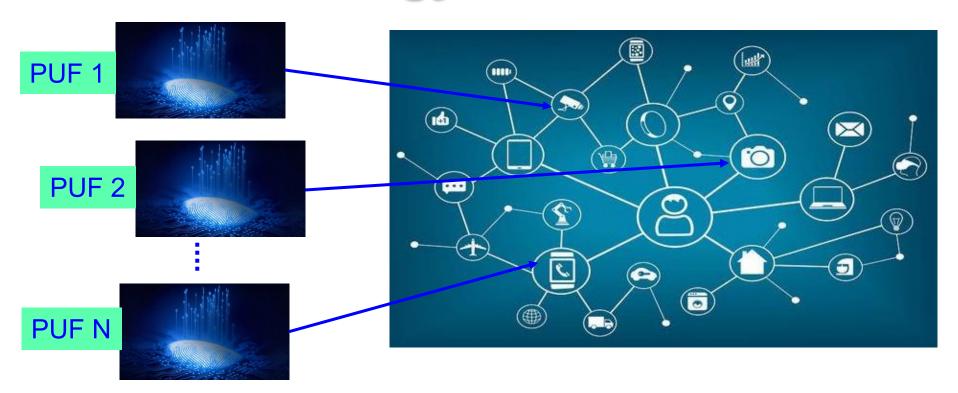


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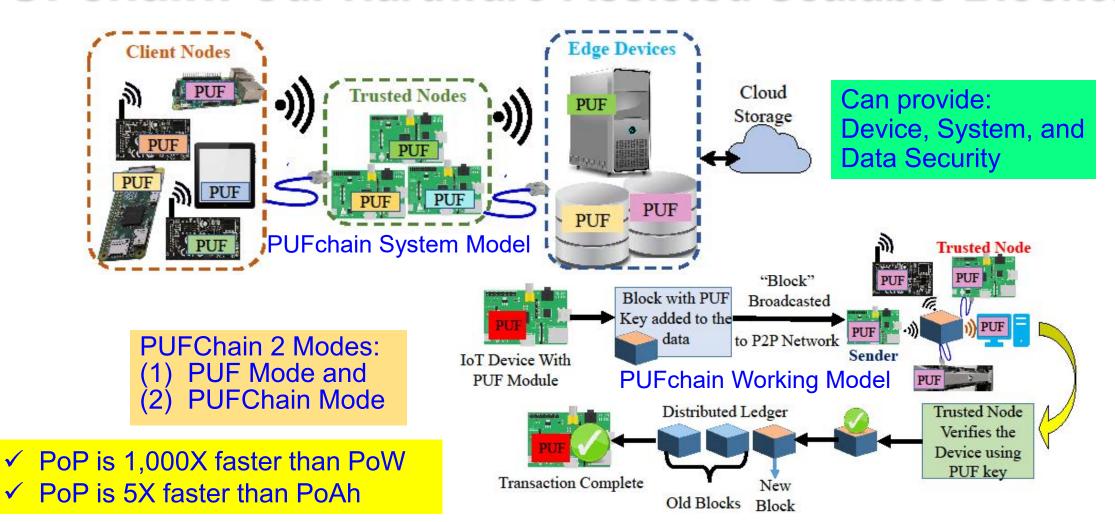
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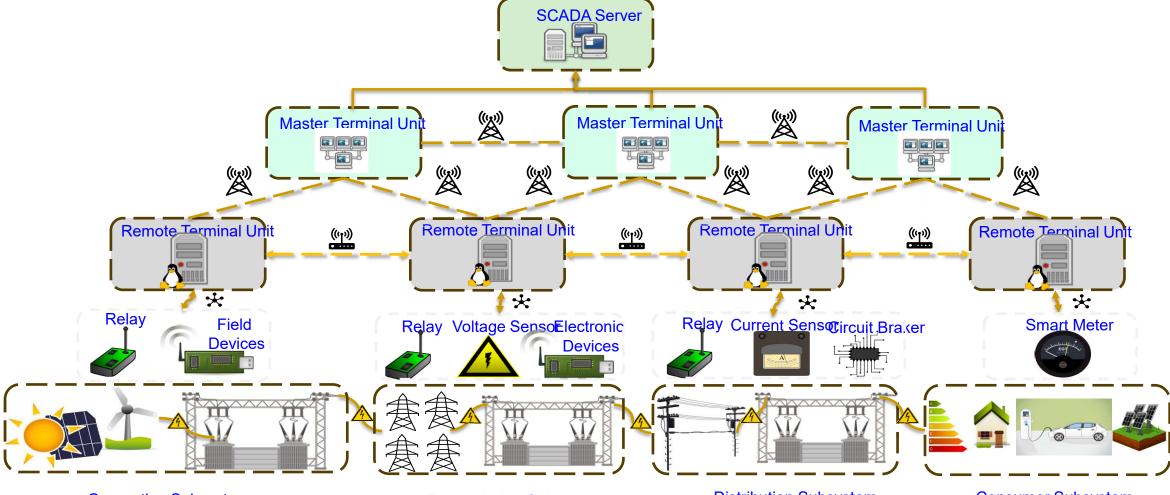
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Smart Grid Cybersecurity



Generation Subsystem

Transmission Subsystem

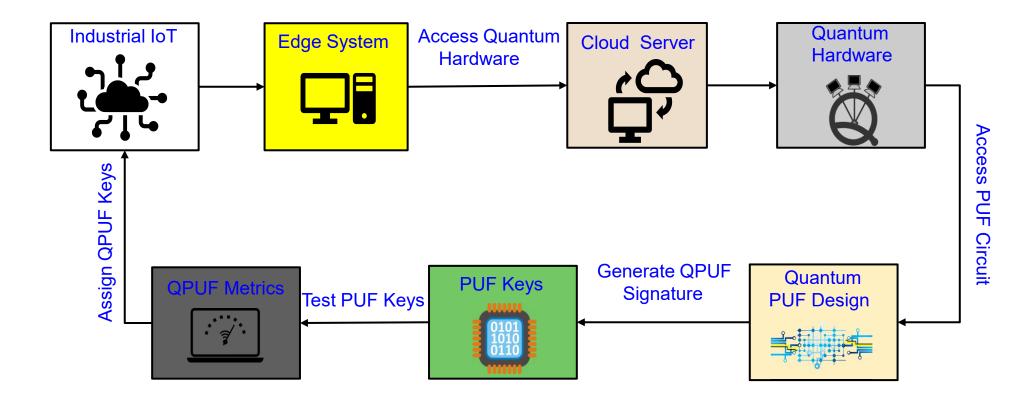
Distribution Subsystem

Consumer Subsystem

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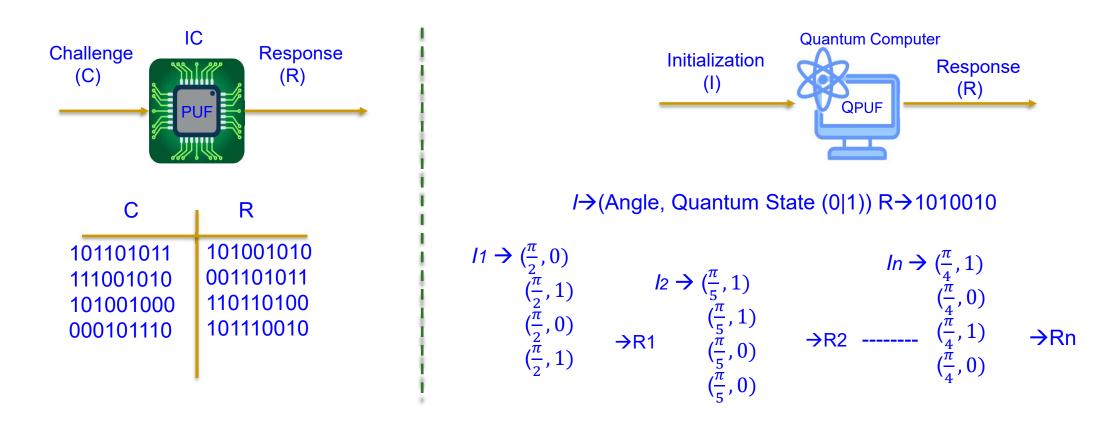
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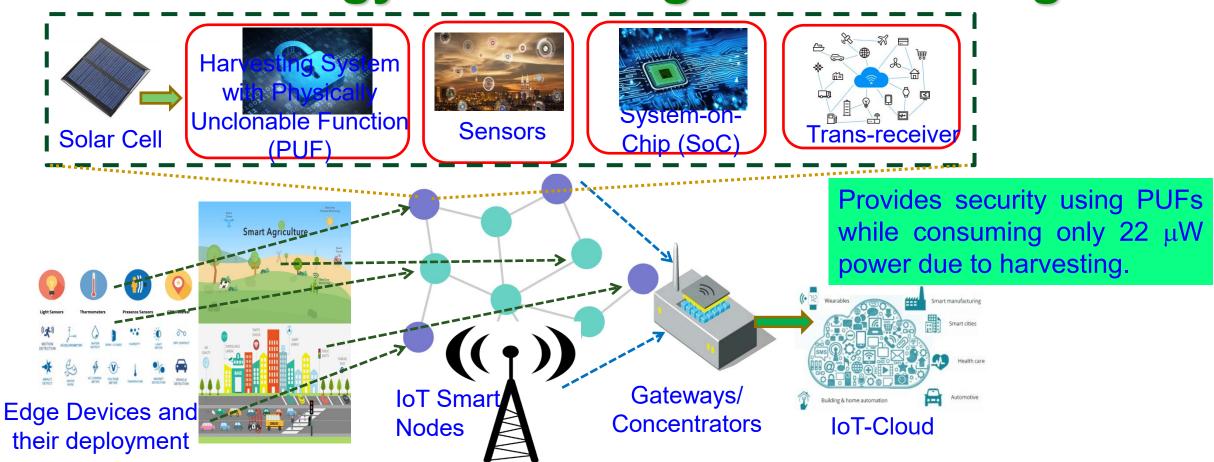
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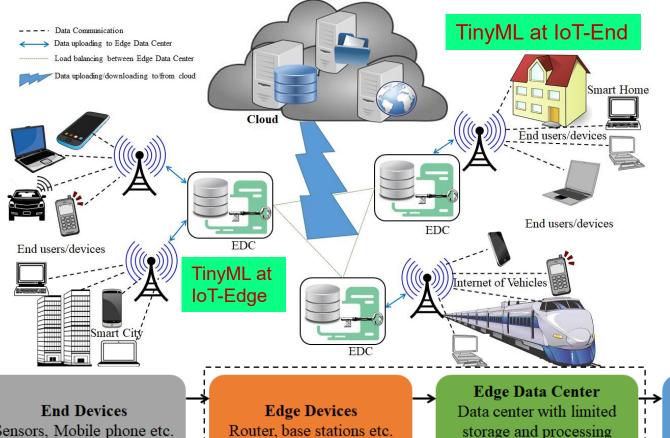
Our SbD: Eternal-Thing: Combines Security and Energy Harvesting at the IoT-Edge



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Collaborative Edge Computing is Cost Effective Sustainable Computing for Smart Villages



Collaborative edge computing connects the IoT-edges of multiple organizations that can be near or far from each other

→ Providing bigger computational capability at the edge with lower design and operation cost.

Sensors, Mobile phone etc.

Router, base stations etc.

capabilities

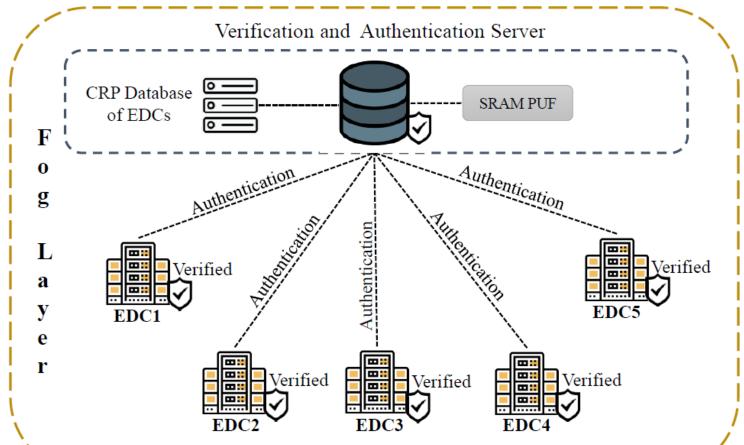
Cloud

Data center with enough storage and processing capabilities

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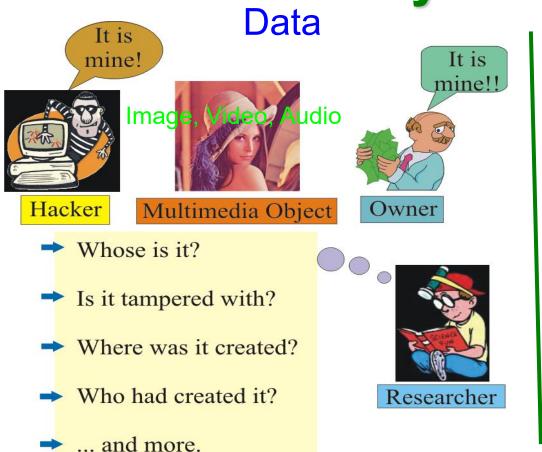


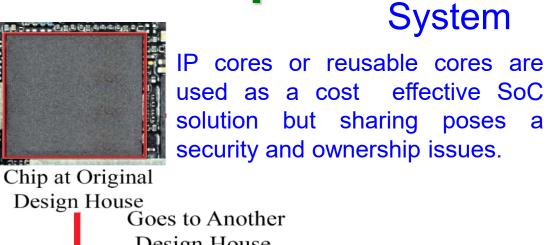
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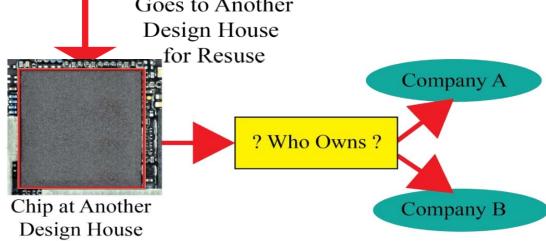


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Data and System Authentication and Ownership Protection – My 20 Years of Experiences



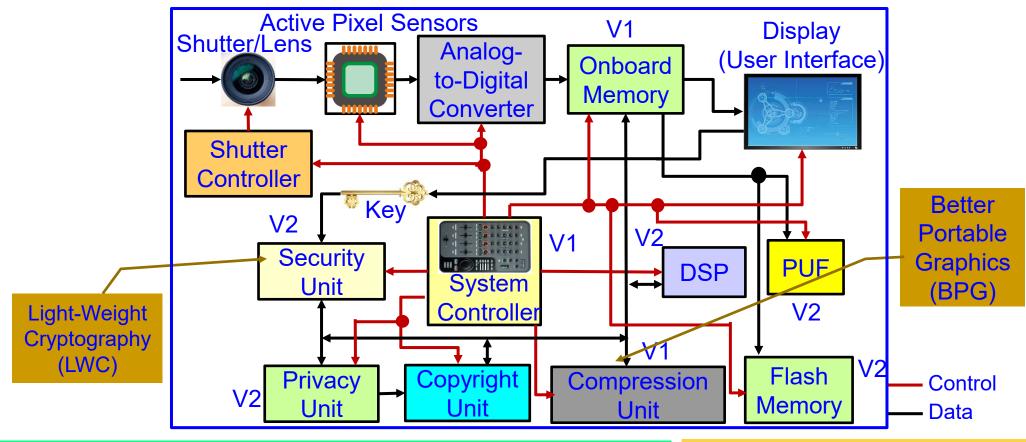




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Secure Digital Camera (SDC) – My Invention



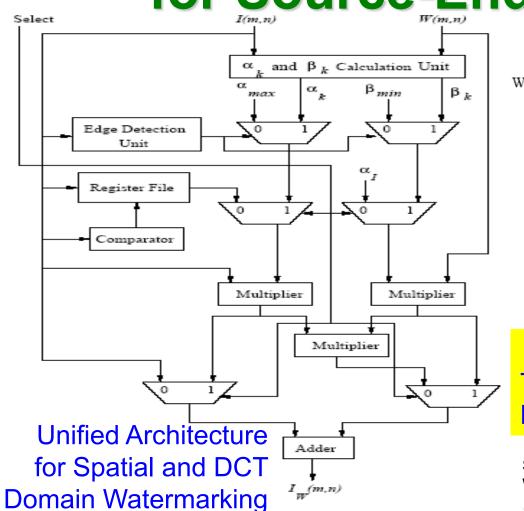
Include additional/alternative hardware/software components and uses DVFS like technology for energy and performance optimization.

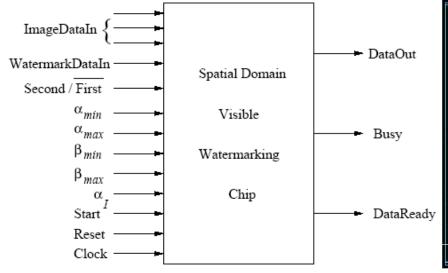
Security and/or Privacy by Design (SbD and/or PbD)

Source: S. P. Mohanty, "A Secure Digital Camera Architecture for Integrated Real-Time Digital Rights Management", *Elsevier Journal of Systems Architecture (JSA)*, Volume 55. Issues 10-12. October-December 2009, pp. 468-480.



Our Design: First Ever Watermarking Chip for Source-End Visual Data Protection





Pin Diagram

Chip Layout

Chip Design Data

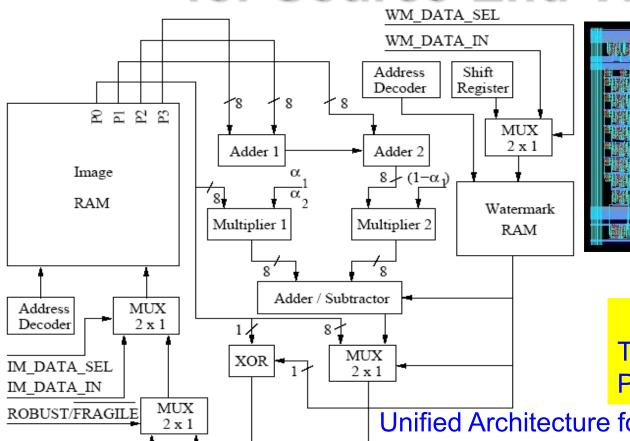
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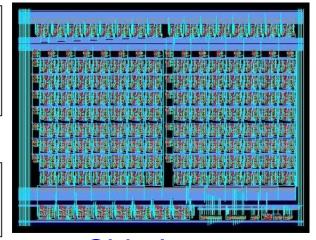
Power Consumption: 6.9 mW, Operating Frequency: 292 MHz

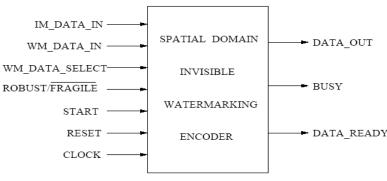
Source: S. P. Mohanty, N. Ranganathan, and R. K. Namballa, "A VLSI Architecture for Visible Watermarking in a Secure Still Digital Camera (S²DC) Design", *IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale* Integration Systems (TVLSI), Vol. 13, No. 8, August 2005, pp. 1002-1012.



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Pin Diagram

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Total Area: 0.87 sq mm, No. of Gates: 4,820

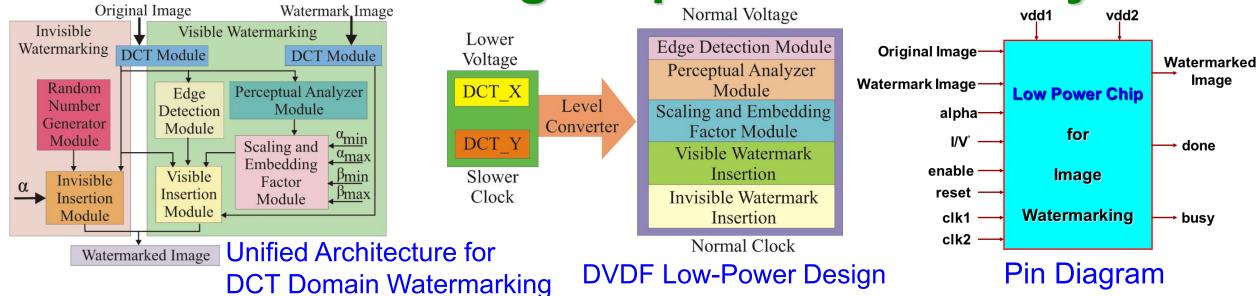
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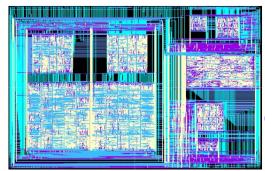
Unified Architecture for Spatial Domain Robust

Source: S. P. Mohanty, E. Kougianos, and N. Ranganathan, "VLSI Architecture and Chip for Combined Invisible Robust and Fragile Watermarking", IET and Fragile Watermarking Computers & Digital Techniques (CDT), Sep 2007, Vol. 1, Issue 5, pp. 600-611.



Our Design: First Ever Low-Power Watermarking Chip for Data Quality





Chip Layout

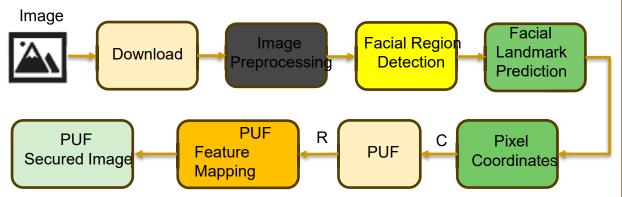
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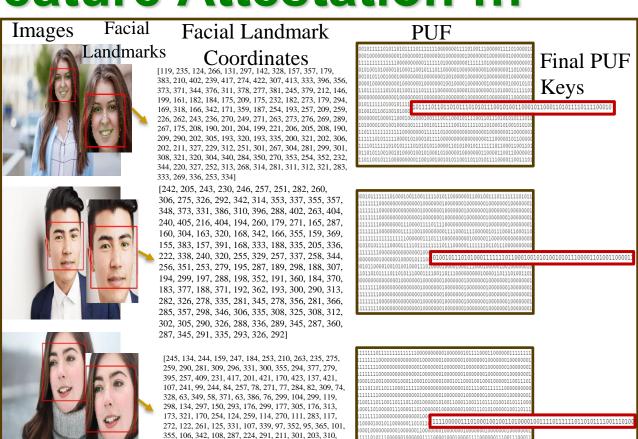
Total Area: 16.2 sq mm, No. of Transistors: 1.4 million Power Consumption: 0.3 mW, Operating Frequency: 70 MHz and 250 MHz at 1.5 V and 2.5 V

Source: S. P. Mohanty, N. Ranganathan, and K. Balakrishnan, "A Dual Voltage-Frequency VLSI Chip for Image Watermarking in DCT Domain", *IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems II (TCAS-II)*, Vol. 53, No. 5, May 2006, pp. 394-398.



Our PUFshield: for Deepfake Mitigation Through PUF-Based Facial Feature Attestation ...





203, 319, 199, 337, 202, 358, 210, 343, 231, 328, 242, 318, 245, 308, 245, 296, 239, 290, 222, 303, 211, 312, 210, 321, 208, 353, 211, 324, 229, 315, 232, 305, 232

Source: V. K. V. V. Bathalapalli, V. P. Yanambaka, **S. P. Mohanty**, and E. Kougianos, "PUFshield: A Hardware-Assisted Approach for Deepfake Mitigation Through PUF-Based Facial Feature Attestation", in *Proceedings of the ACM Great Lakes Symposium on VLSI (GLSVLSI)*, 2024, pp. XXX--YYY, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1145/3649476.3660394.



Conclusion



Conclusion

- Cybersecurity is important problem in IoT-driven Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS) that build smart systems.
- Various elements and components of IoT/CPS including Data, Devices, System Components, AI need security.
- Both software and hardware-based attacks and solutions are possible for cybersecurity in IoT/CPS.
- Cybersecurity in IoT-based H-CPS, A-CPS, E-CPS, and T-CPS, IIoT, can have serious consequences.
- Existing cybersecurity solutions have serious overheads and may not even run in the end-devices (e.g. a medical device) of CPS/IoT.
- Security-by-Design (SbD) advocate features at early design phases, noretrofitting.
- Hardware-Assisted Security (HAS): Cybersecurity provided by hardware for:
 (1) information being processed, (2) hardware itself, (3) overall system.



Future Directions

- Security by Design (PbD) needs significant research.
- Cybersecurity, Privacy, IP Protection of Information, Device, and System in Cyber-Physical Systems or CPS need more research.
- Cybersecurity of IoT-based systems (e.g. Smart Healthcare device/data, Smart Agriculture, Smart Grid, UAV, Smart Cars) needs research.
- Sustainable IoT and CPS with integrated cybersecurity features can provide robust solutions.
- More research is needed for robust, low-overhead PUF design and protocols that can be integrated in any CPS.
- Cybersecurity solutions for the quantum computing era for system needs attention.

