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# Designing secure IoT solutions from edge to cloud

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# Agenda

Shared responsibility at the cloud and edge

Secure design for industrial IoT

Secure design for smart buildings and cities

Secure design for consumer IoT

# Shared responsibility at the cloud and edge

# CUSTOMER

RESPONSIBILITY FOR  
SECURITY 'IN' THE CLOUD

CUSTOMER DATA

PLATFORMS, APPLICATIONS, IDENTITY & ACCESS MANAGEMENT

OPERATING SYSTEM, NETWORK & FIREWALL CONFIGURATION

CLIENT-SIDE DATA ENCRYPTION  
& DATA INTEGRITY  
AUTHENTICATION

SERVER-SIDE ENCRYPTION  
(FILE SYSTEM AND/OR DATA

NETWORKING TRAFFIC  
PROTECTION (ENCRYPTION,  
INTEGRITY, IDENTITY)

## SOFTWARE

COMPUTE

STORAGE

DATABASE

NETWORKING

## HARDWARE/AWS GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE

REGIONS

AVAILABILITY ZONES

EDGE LOCATIONS

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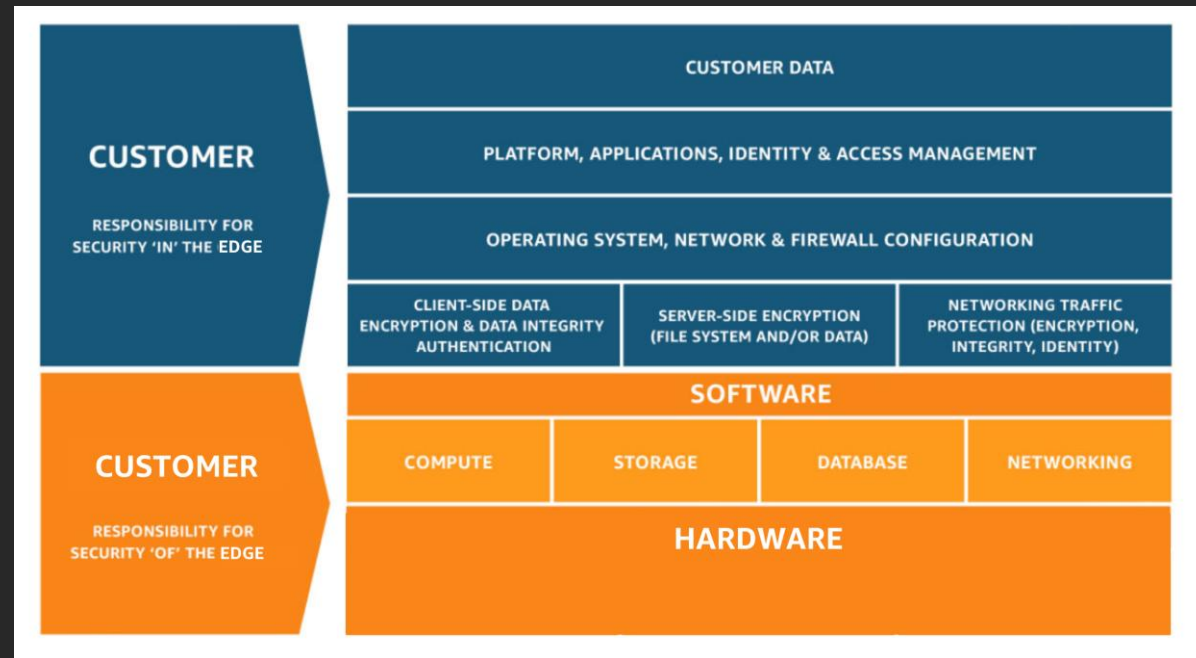
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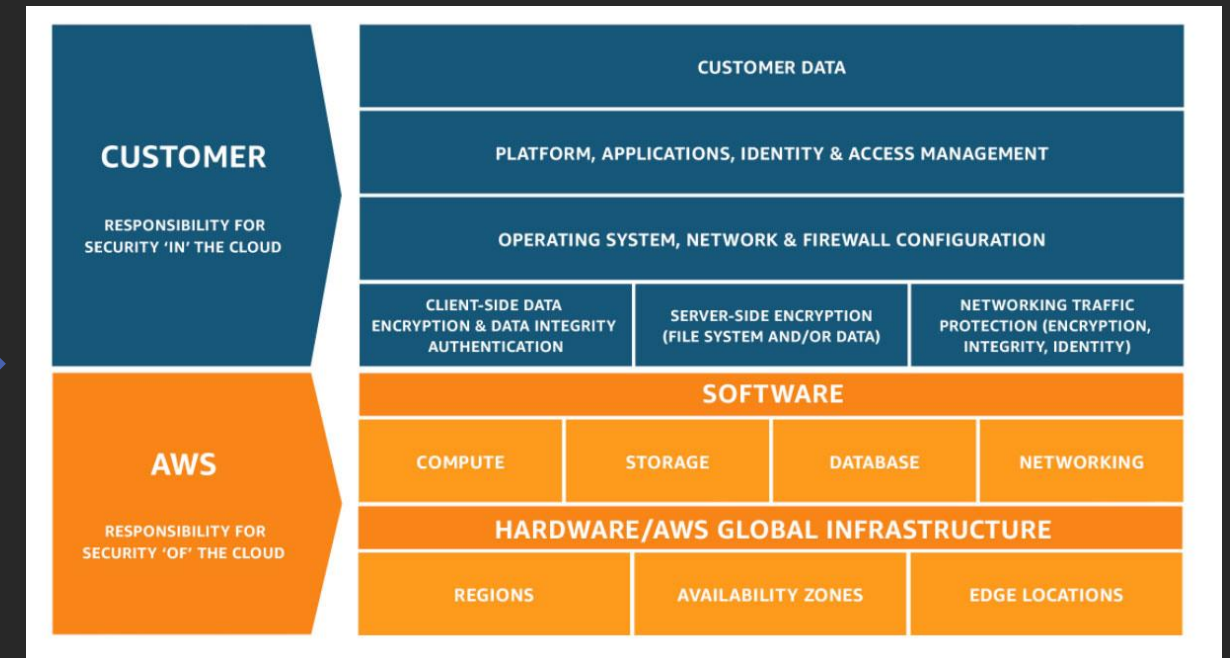
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**HARDWARE**

# Edge



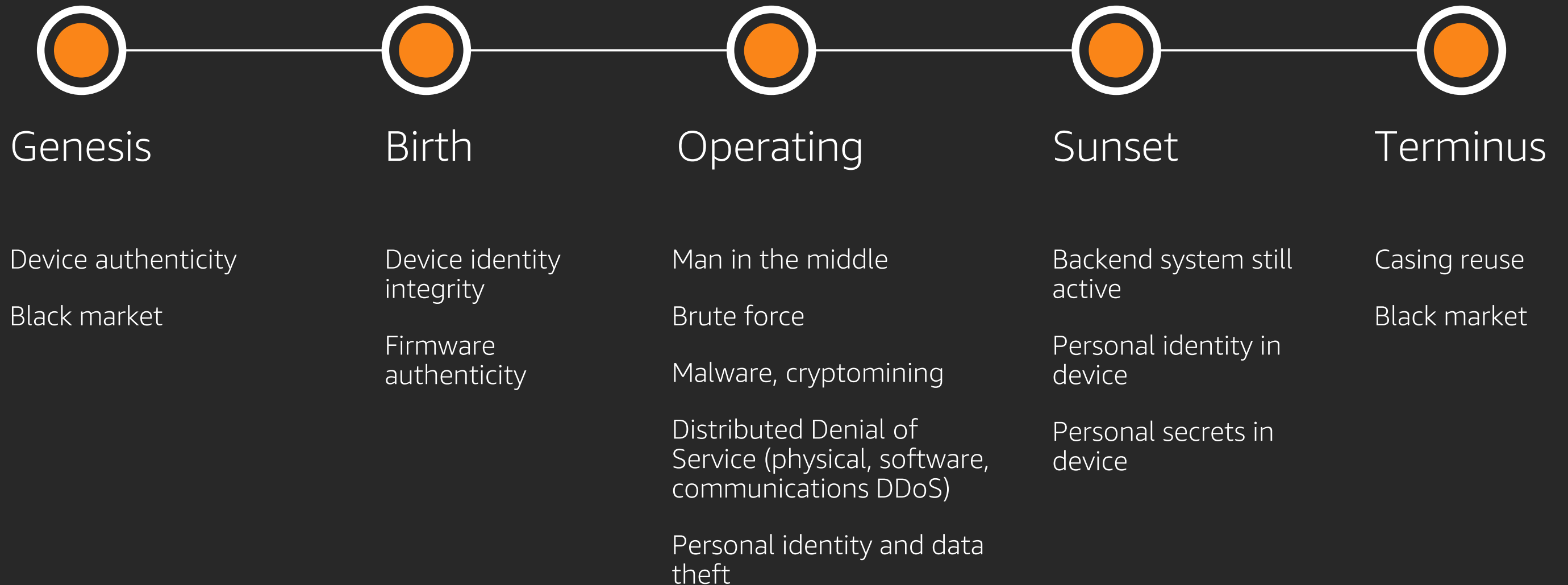
# Cloud



- Constrained compute
- Constrained energy and storage
- Constrained communications
- Variant environmental conditions

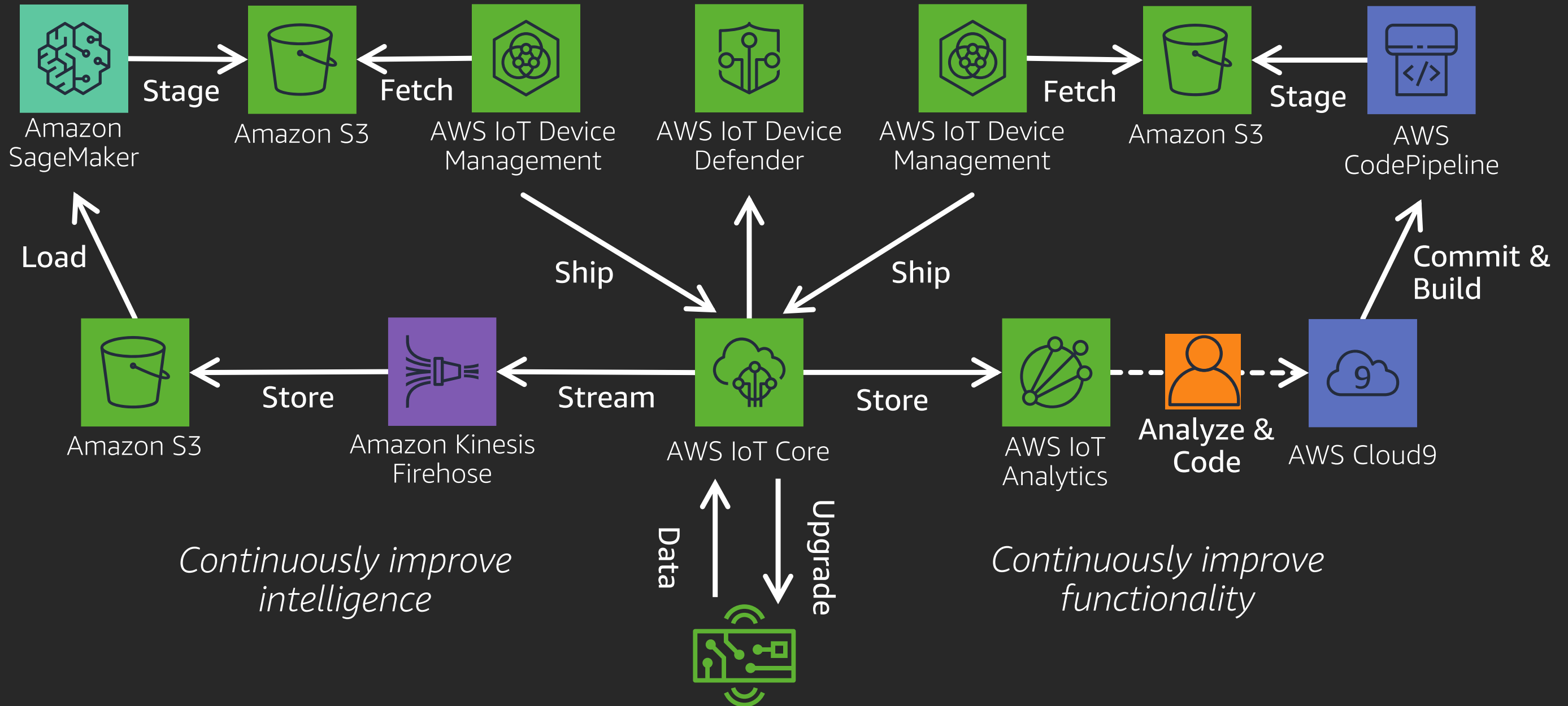
- Elastic compute
- Limitless energy and storage
- High bandwidth communications
- Secure physical environment

# Threats across the device lifecycle



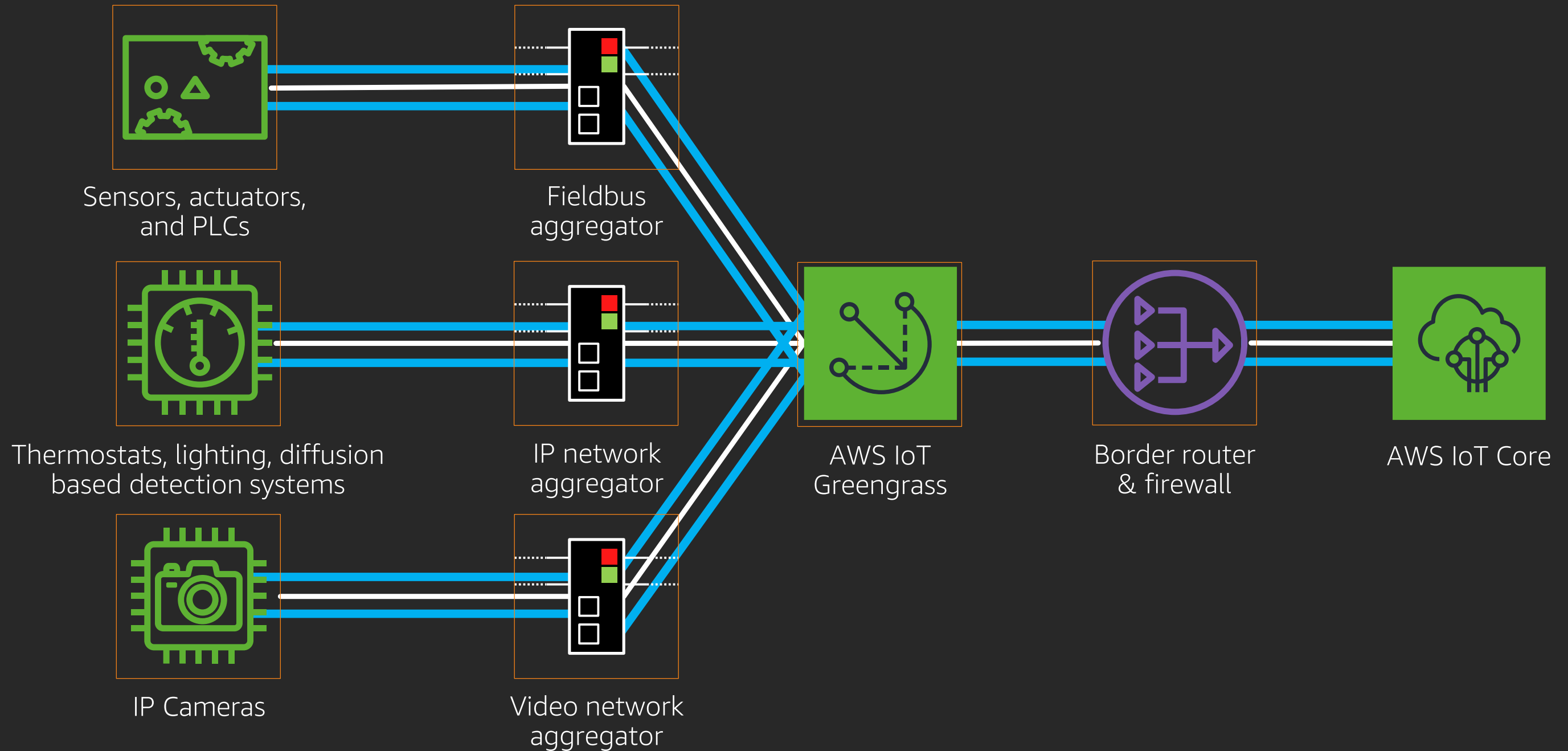


# Use your data for security continuous improvement



# Physical security countermeasures for industrial IoT

# Threats to industrial IoT architectures



# Identifying industrial IoT physical attacks

## invasive

- Physical destruction
- Hardware modification
- Tampering

## semi-invasive

- JTAG
- Voltage monitoring
- Timing analysis

## non-invasive

- Differential power analysis
- Differential electromagnetic analysis
- Network analysis

# Mitigating industrial IoT physical attacks

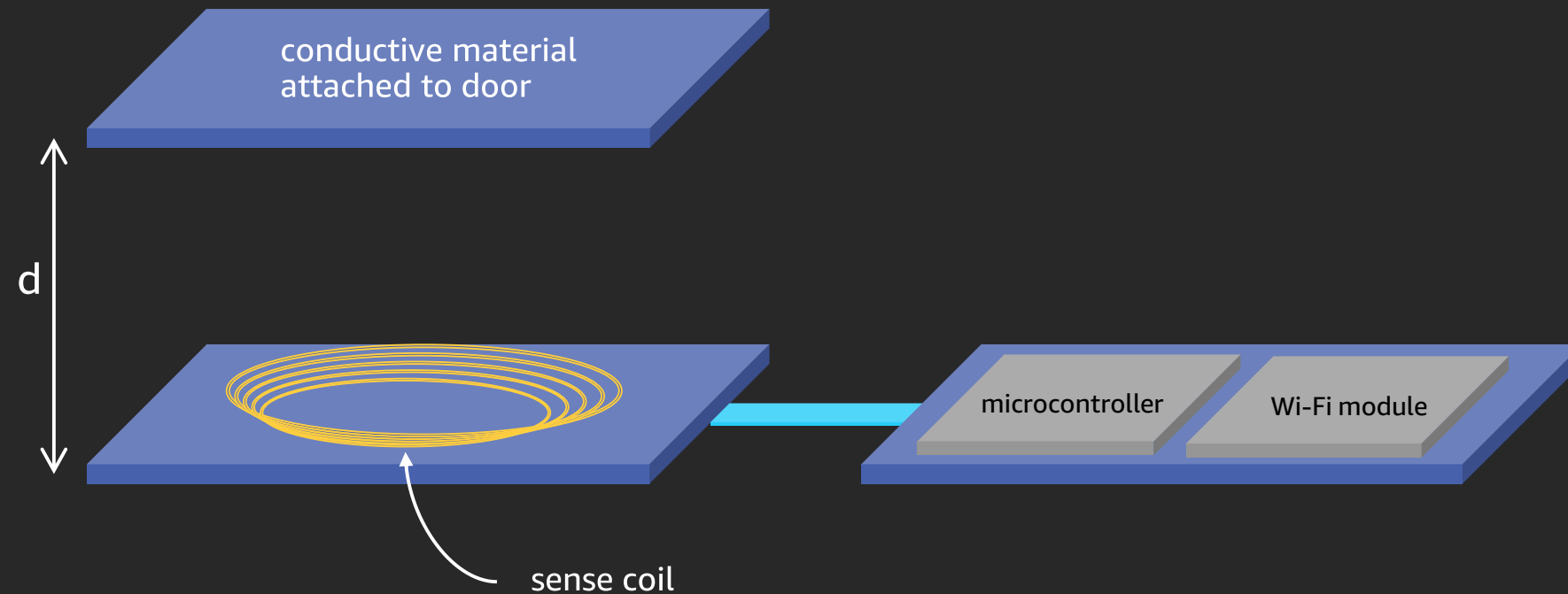
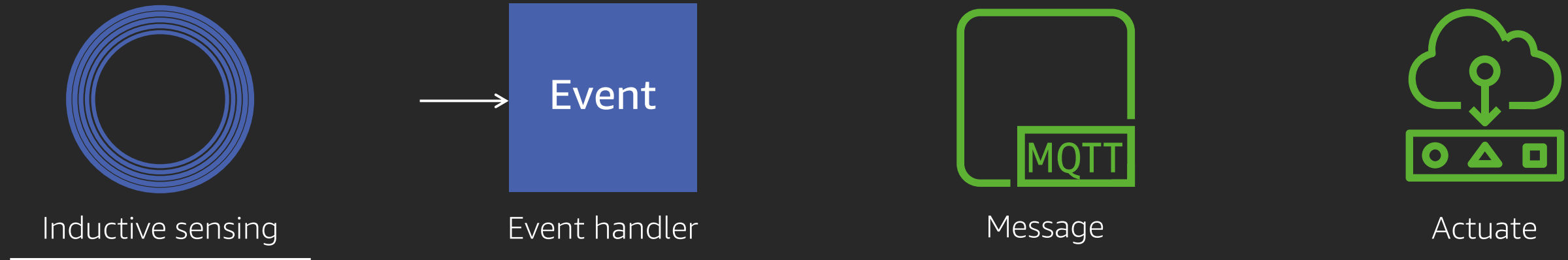
Tamper protection for enclosures



Capture the event, send to AWS IoT Greengrass, identify if someone should be working on the device, and alarm if intrusion detected.

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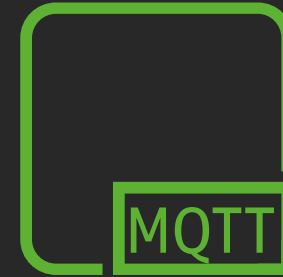


Inductive sensing



Event

Event handler



Message



Actuate

```
typedef struct DoorStatus_t
{
    char * value;
} xDoorStatus_t;
xDoorStatus_t doorstatus;
```

```
static void xDoorEventHandler( void * pvParameters )
{
```

```
    while (1)
```

```
    {
        if ( GPIO_read(DOOR_STATE_IN) == 1 ) // Opened
        {
```

```
            if (strcmp(doorstatus.value, "1", 1) == 0) continue;
            configPRINTF("Door is open\r\n");
            doorstatus.value = "1";
            GPIO_write(DOOR_OPENED_OUT, 1);
            GPIO_write(DOOR_CLOSED_OUT, 0);
```

```
        }
```

```
    else if ( GPIO_read(DOOR_STATE_IN) == 0 ) // Closed
```

```
    {
        if (strcmp(doorstatus.value, "0", 1) == 0) continue;
        configPRINTF("Door is closed\r\n");
        doorstatus.value = "0";
        GPIO_write(DOOR_OPENED_OUT, 0);
        GPIO_write(DOOR_CLOSED_OUT, 1);
    }
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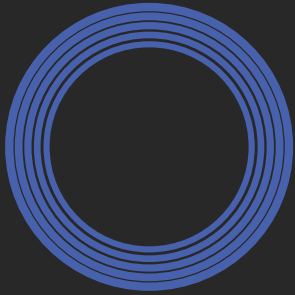
```
        xQueueSend( xDoorNotifyQueue, &doorstatus, pdMS_TO_TICKS( 500 ) );
```

```
        vTaskDelay( pdMS_TO_TICKS( 100 ) );
```

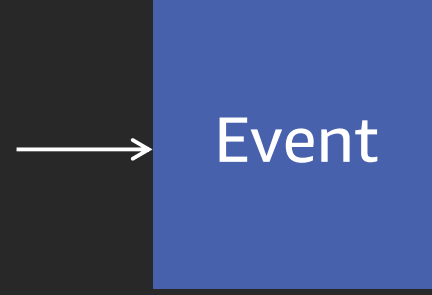
```
    }
```

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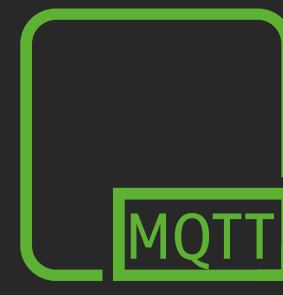
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```
```c
static void prvMqttTempTask( void * pvParameters )
{
    ...
    while (1)
    {
        if( xQueueReceive( xInductiveSensorNotifyQueue,
                           &queueMessage,
                           sensorRECV_QUEUE_WAIT_TICKS == pdFAIL )
        {
            continue;
        }

        snprintf( cDataBuffer, sizeof( cDataBuffer ),
                  "{\\"alarm\\":%d, \\"boxId\\":%d}",
                  queueMessage.reading, boxId );
    }
}
```

```
MQTTAgentPublishParams_t pxPublishParams;

pxPublishParams.pucTopic =
    ( uint8_t * ) pxParameters->topic;

pxPublishParams.usTopicLength =
    ( uint16_t ) strlen( ( const char * ) pxParameters->topic );

pxPublishParams.pvData = cDataBuffer;

pxPublishParams.ulDataLength =
    ( uint32_t ) strlen( ( const char * ) cDataBuffer );

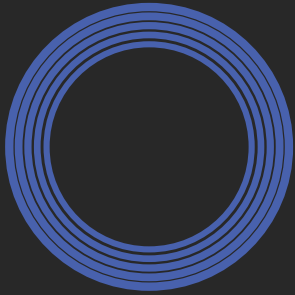
pxPublishParams.xQoS = eMQTTQoS0;

If ( MQTT_AGENT_Publish( xMQTTHandle, &( pxPublishParams ),
                        sensorMQTT_TIMEOUT ) != eMQTTSuccess )
{ ... Put retry, local data logging / alert logic here ... }
}
```

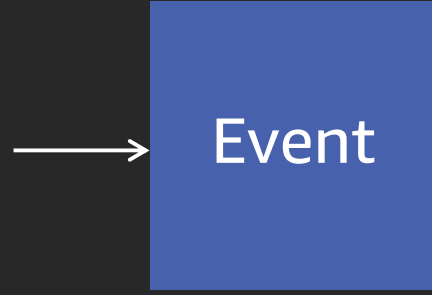


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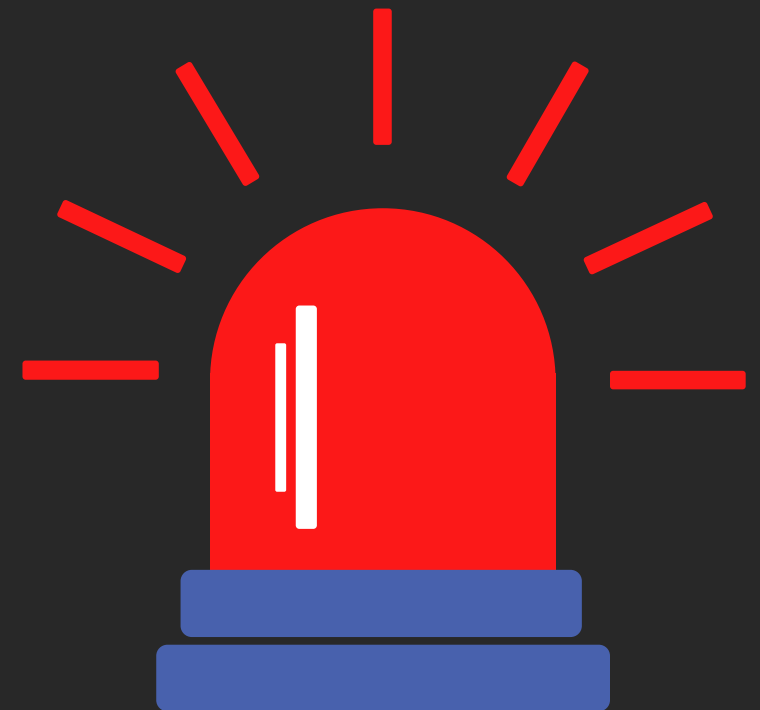


Actuate

```
channel_output_red    = 38 # /sys/class/gpio/gpio38
channel_output_green  = 36 # /sys/class/gpio/gpio36

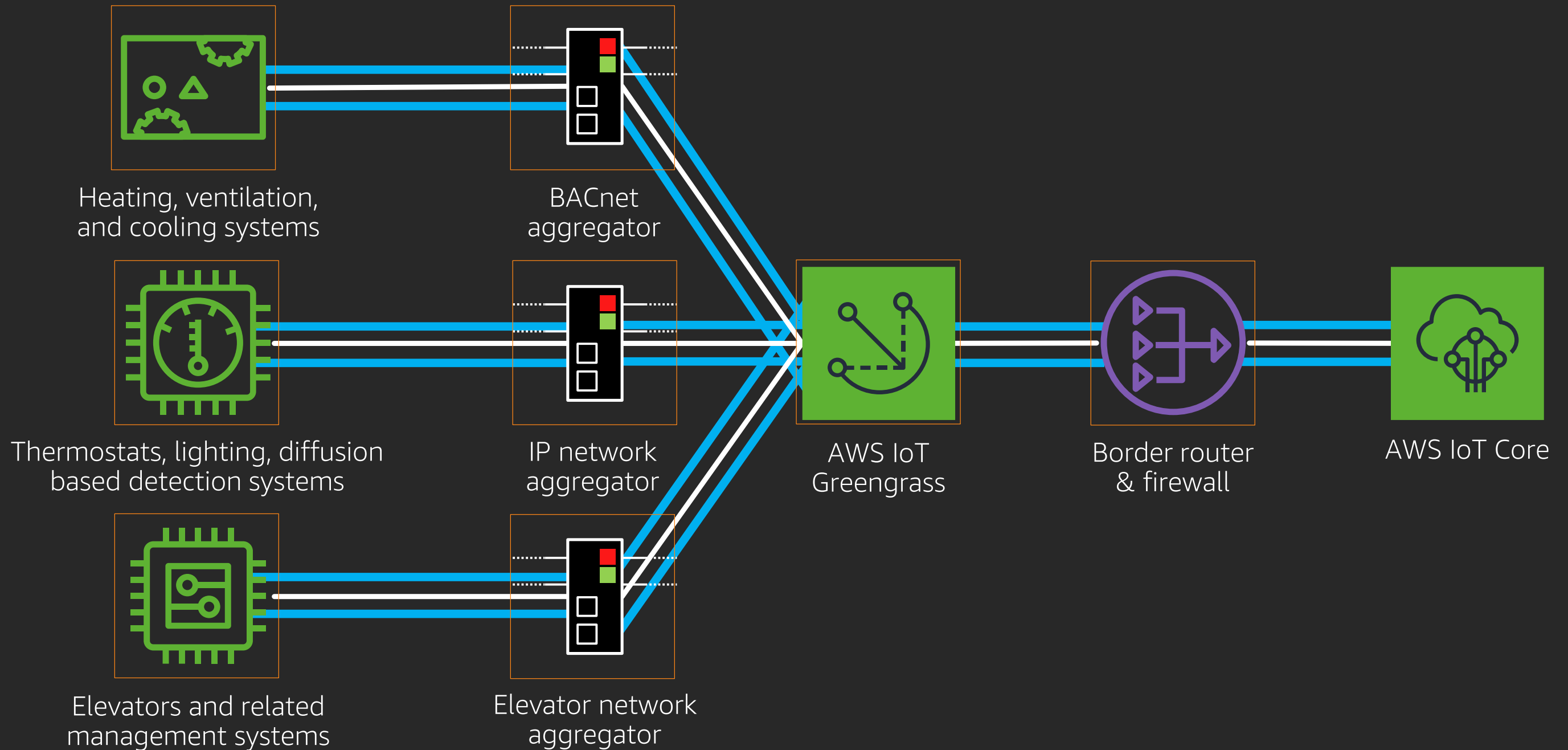
GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BOARD)
# Output for the door open event
GPIO.setup( channel_output_red,    GPIO.OUT ) # Door opened
GPIO.setup( channel_output_green,  GPIO.OUT ) # Door closed
```

```
def lambda_handler(event, context):
    # Identify the state.
    if event['state']['desired']['door_state'] == 1:
        GPIO.output(channel_output_red, GPIO.HIGH)
        GPIO.output(channel_output_green, GPIO.LOW)
    else:
        GPIO.output(channel_output_red, GPIO.LOW)
        GPIO.output(channel_output_green, GPIO.HIGH)
```



# Software security countermeasures for smart buildings and cities

# Threats to smart building architectures



# Identifying smart building software attacks

## invasive

- Firmware replacement
- Application replacement
- Application permanent DDOS / bootloader corruption

## semi-invasive

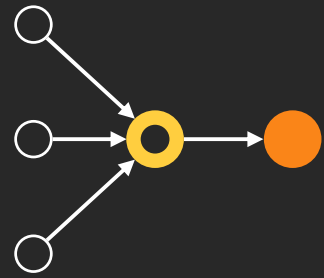
- Malware / ransomware
- Cryptocurrency mining
- Masquerading / botnets
- Application DDOS

## non-invasive

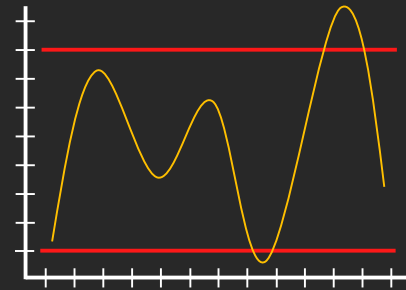
- Network analysis
- Network hijacking

# Mitigating smart building software attacks

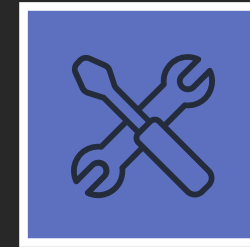
Application and operating system updates



Gather and  
aggregate



Evaluate statistics



Fix and build

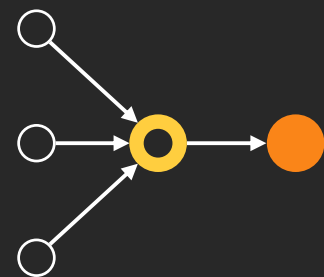


Deploy to fleet

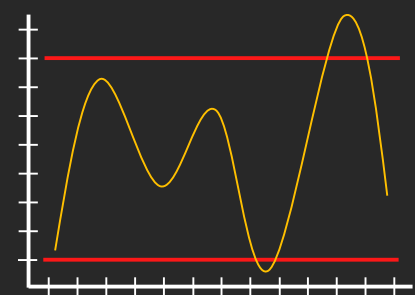
Gather and aggregate system metrics, evaluate out of bounds statistics to determine attack surface vulnerability, fix and build, deploy to fleet

# Mitigating smart building software attacks

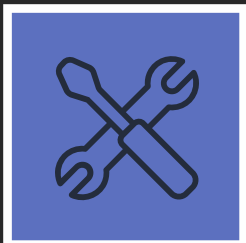
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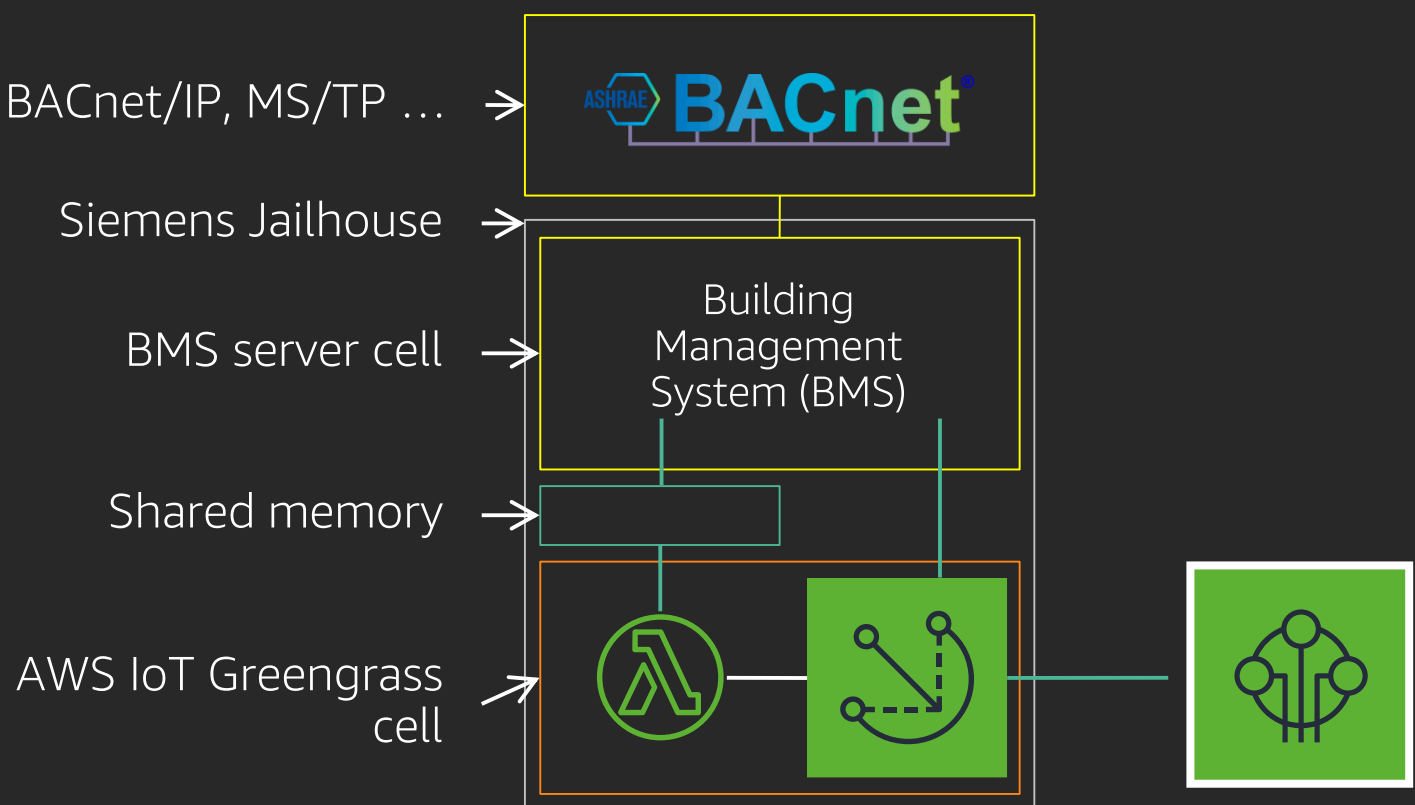
Evaluate statistics



Fix and build



Deploy to fleet



... other routes ...

```
{ "Id":      "BACnetListenerToCloudRoute",  
  "Source": "BACnetListener",  
  "Subject": "building/10/bacnet/in",  
  "Target":  "Cloud" },
```

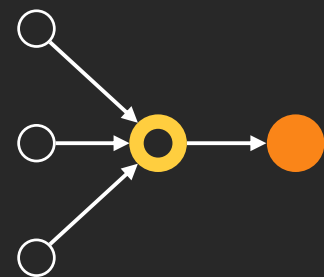
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{ "Id":      "CloudToBldgMgrHandlerRoute",  
  "Source":  "GGShadowService",  
  "Subject": "$aws/things/bldg10mgr/shadow/update/delta",  
  "Target":  "BldgMgrHandler" },
```

```
{ "Id":      "BldgMgrHandlerToBACnetProviderRoute",  
  "Source":  "BldgMgrHandler",  
  "Subject": "building/10/bacnet/out",  
  "Target":  "BACnetProvider" },
```

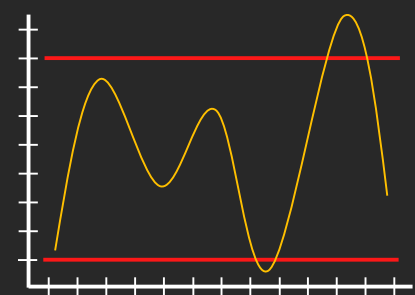
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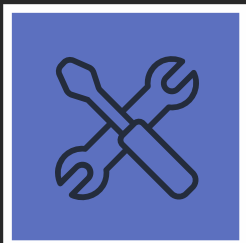
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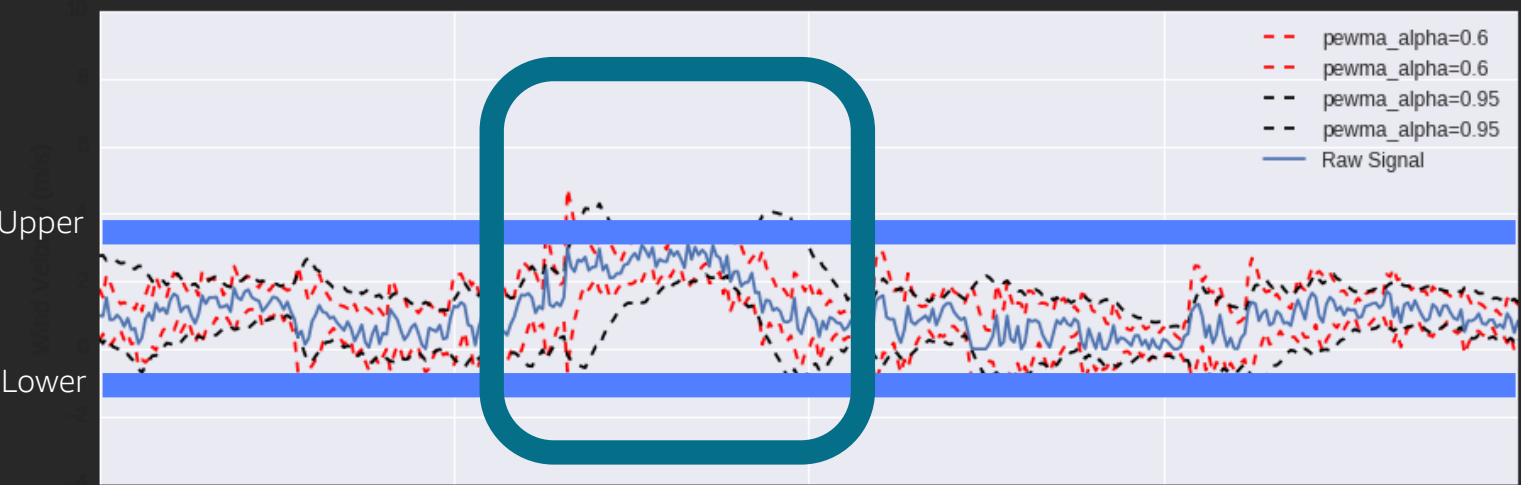
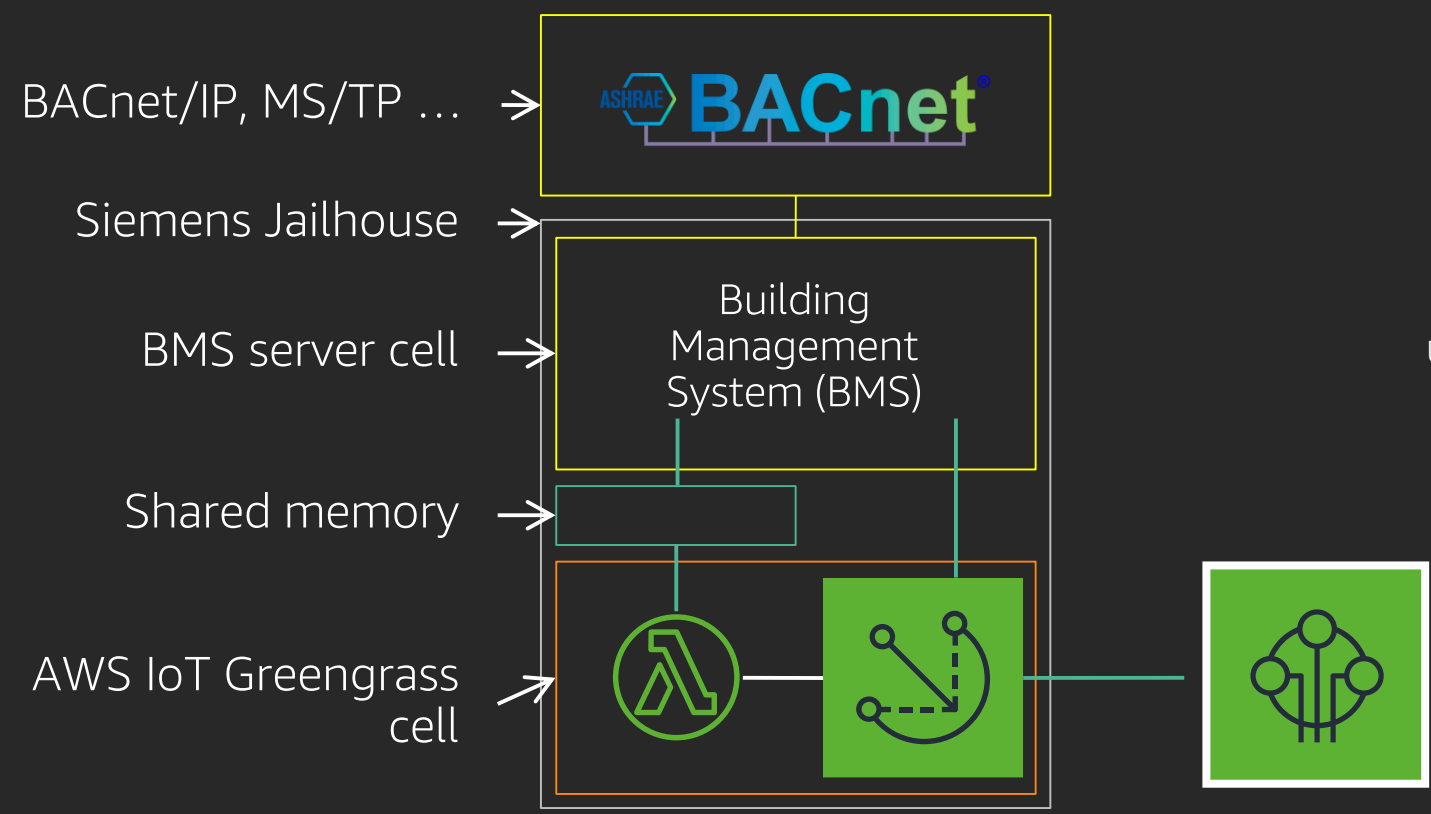
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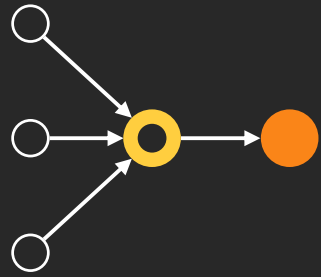
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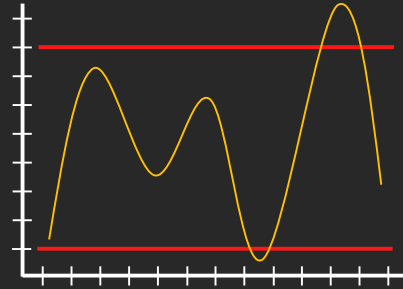
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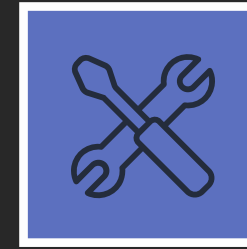
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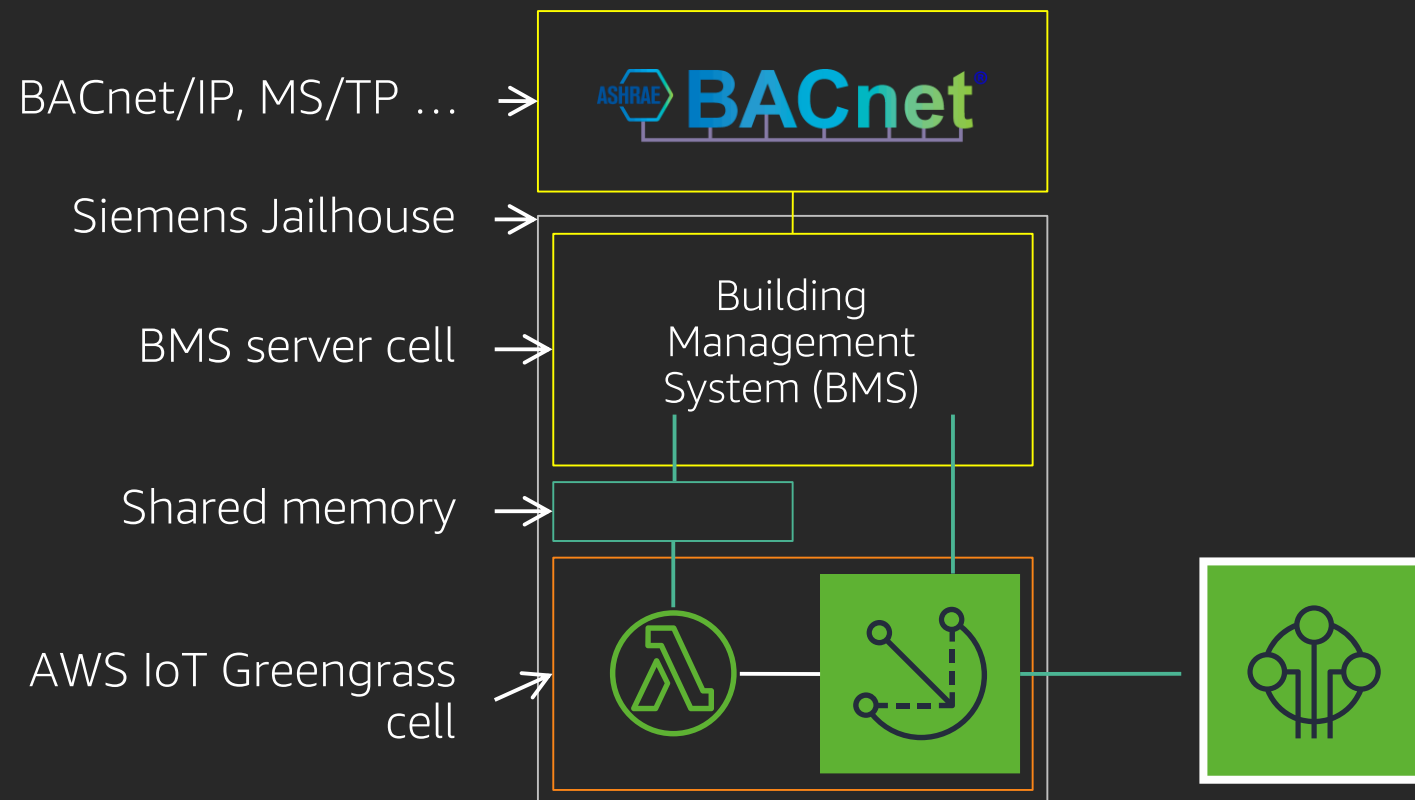
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```
```bash
```

```
object_version=$(aws s3api put-object \
                    --bucket ${SOURCE_S3_BUCKET} \
                    --key ${target_file} \
                    --body ../bin/${target_file} \
                    --query VersionId --output text)
```

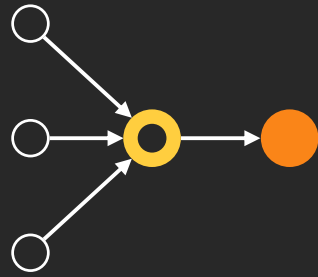
```
SOURCE_CONFIG="s3={bucketName=${SOURCE_S3_BUCKET},key=${target_file},\
version=${object_version}}"\
TARGET_CONFIG="s3={bucketName=${TARGET_S3_BUCKET}}"
```

```
signer_jobid=$(aws signer start-signing-job \
                --source ${SOURCE_CONFIG} \
                --destination ${TARGET_CONFIG} \
                --profile-name bnd3_1025_200955 \
                --query jobId --output text)
```

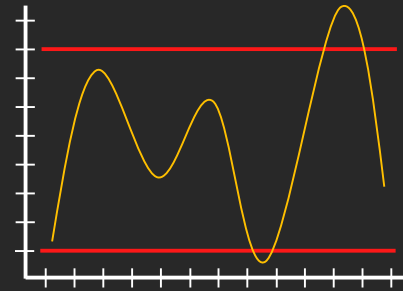


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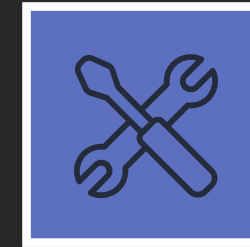
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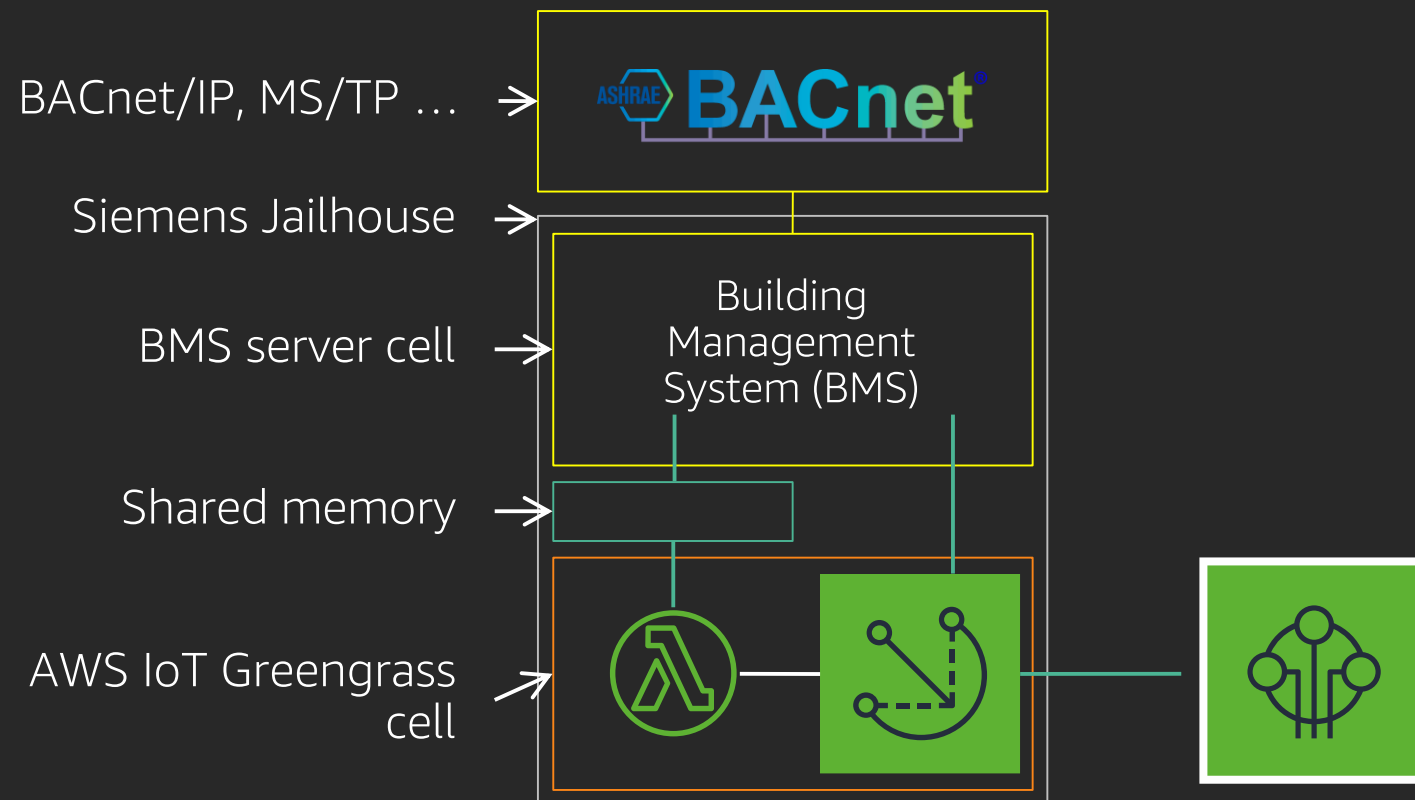
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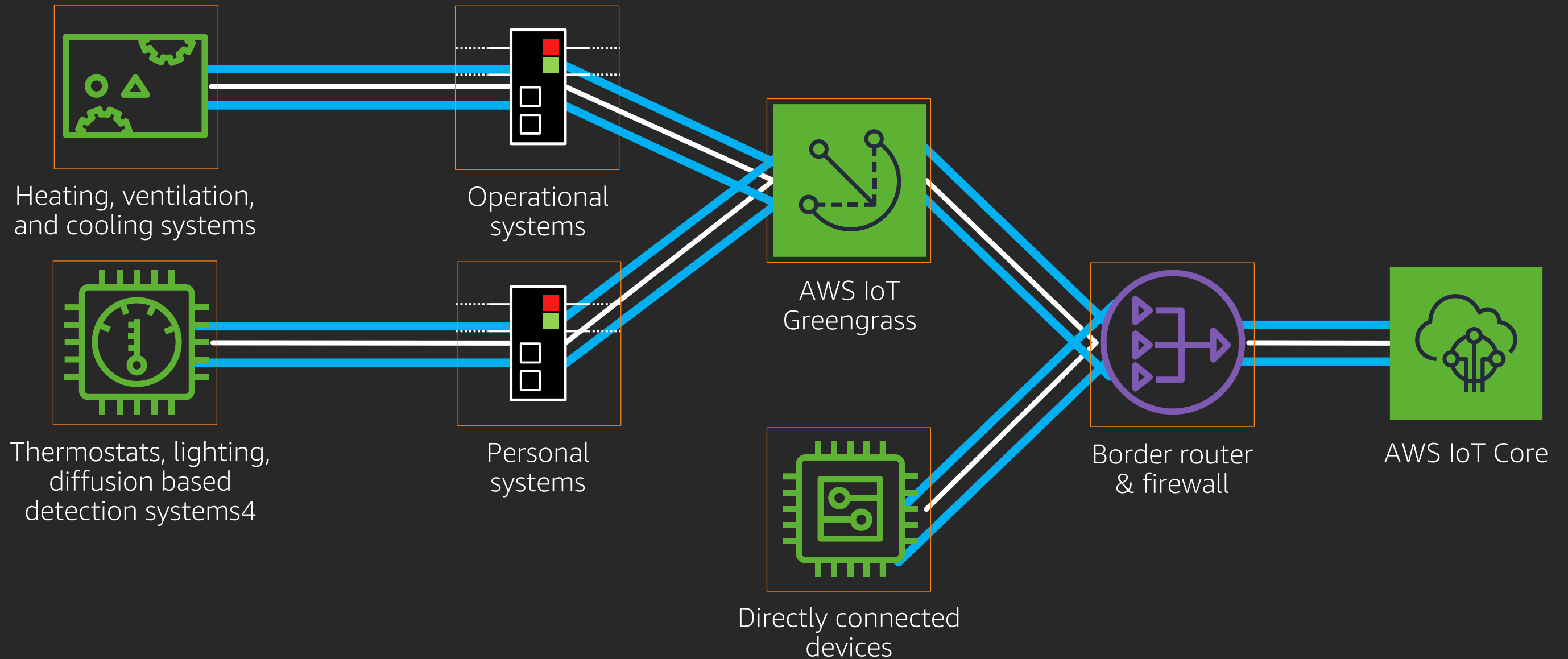
```
JOBID=$(uuidgen)
```

```
aws iot create-job --output text \
  --job-id ${JOBID} \
  --targets ControlPanels \
  --document file:///upgrade-control-panels.json \
  --target-selection SNAPSHOT \
  --query jobArn
```

```
STATUS=IN_PROGRESS
while x${STATUS} != xIN_PROGRESS; do
  STATUS=$(aws iot describe-job --output text \
    --job-id ${JOBID} \
    --query job.status)
  sleep 3
```

# Communication security countermeasures for consumer IoT

# Threats to connected home architectures



# Identifying connected home communication attacks

## invasive

- Network hijacking
- Device hijacking
- Device identity theft

## semi-invasive

- Man in the middle
- Malware/Ransomware (routers)
- Botnets (routers)

## non-invasive

- Network analysis
- Radio interference

# Ways to move from device genesis to birth

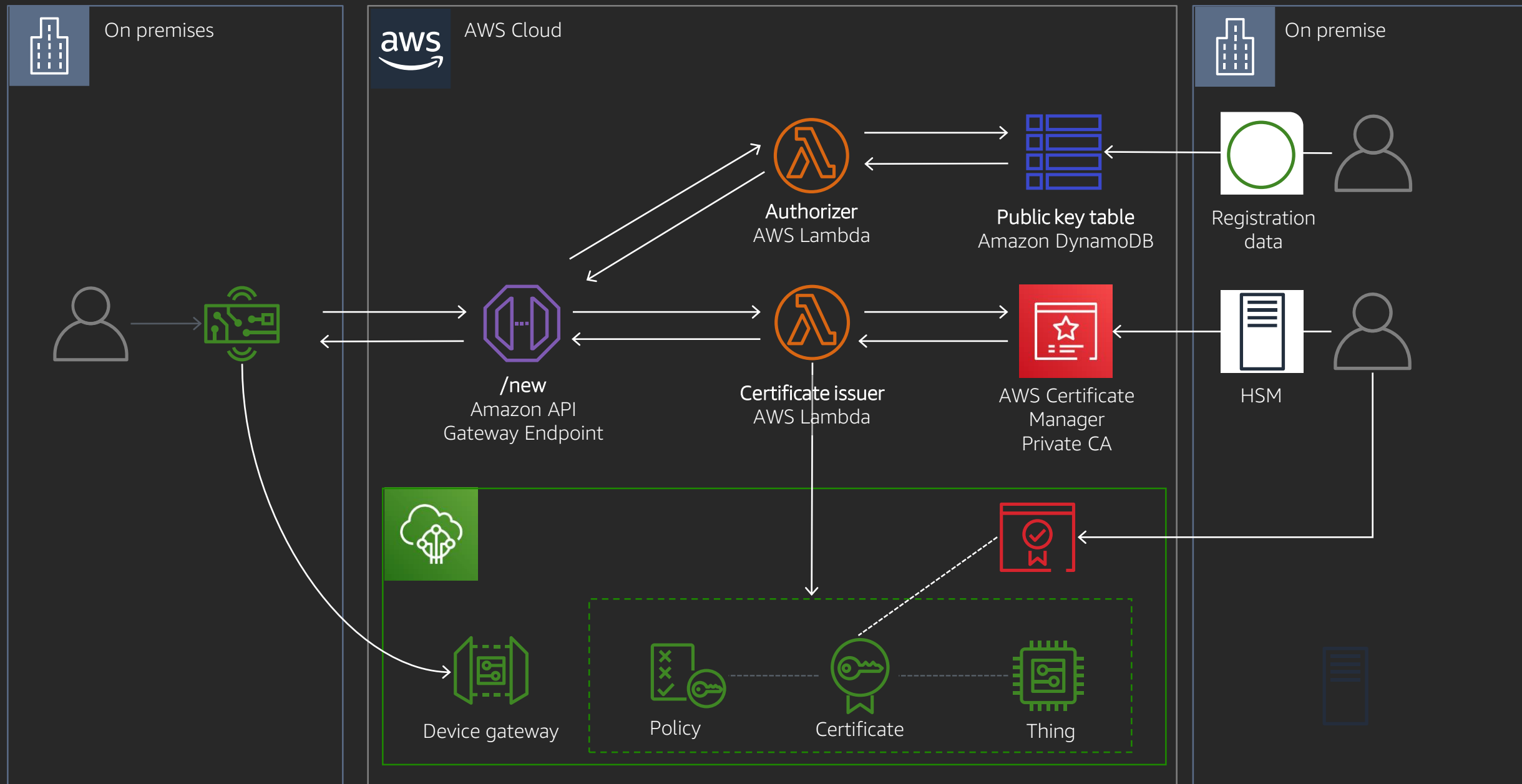
CM injects private key  
and certificate to flash

Secure element or  
enclave vendor injects  
certificate

Provision using a  
birthing certificate  
service

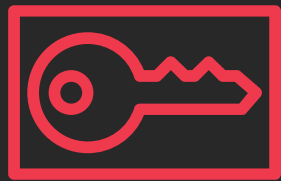
Provision using a  
Certificate Signing  
Request on demand

# Provisioning at runtime with secretfree



# Mitigating connected home communication attacks

Secure device identity provisioning for pristine connectivity



Device identity



Device whitelisting



Provisioning

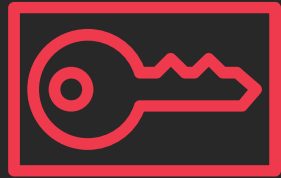


Connect

Ensure device identity privacy, whitelist authentic hardware, decouple credential provisioning, and ensure transport layer security.

# Mitigating connected home communication attacks

Secure device authentication and authorization for pristine connectivity



Device identity



Device whitelisting



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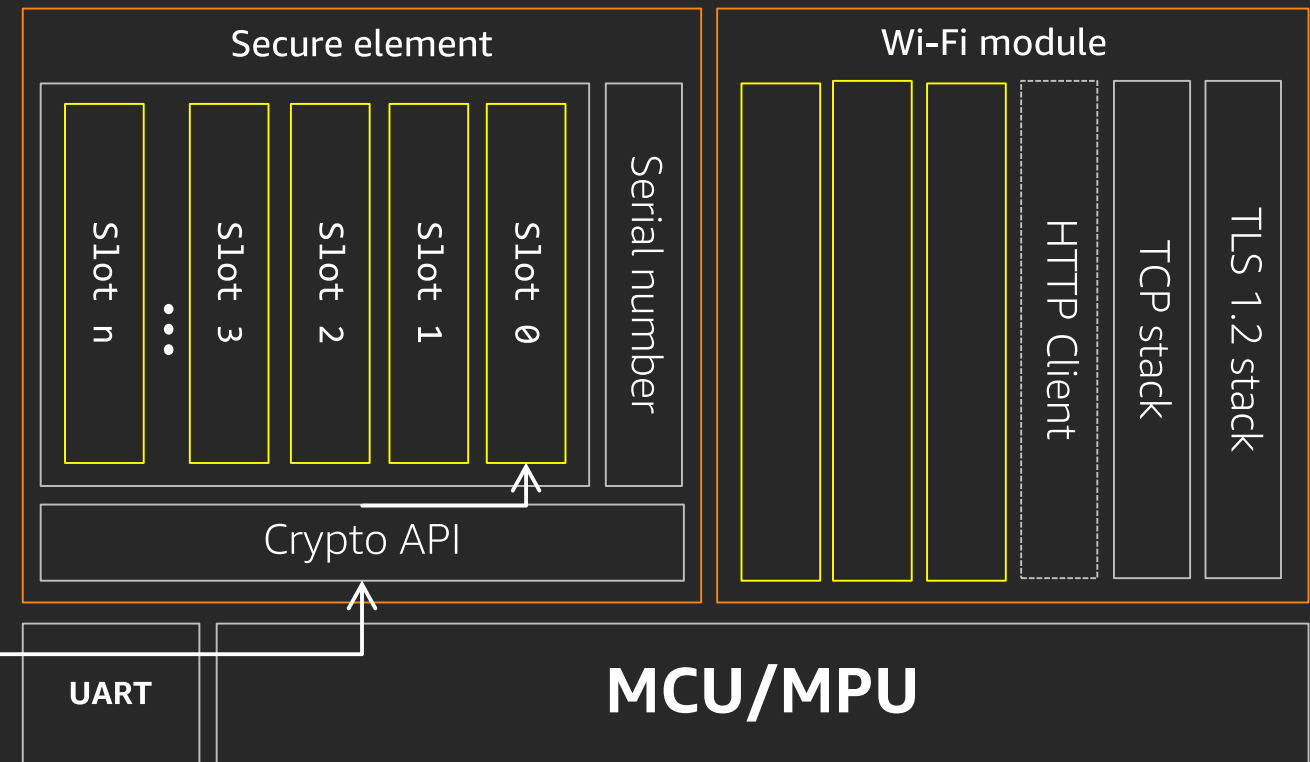


Connect

```
```c
... Device initialization
```

```
status = initATCADevice(&discoverCfg, &disc_device);
```

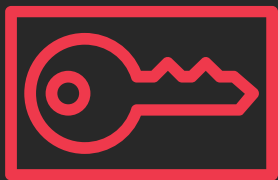
```
status = atcab_genkey(slot, *public_key);
```



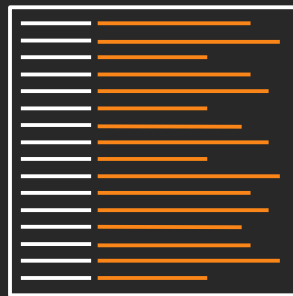


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```
// Retrieves device serial number
atcab_read_serial_number( *serial_number );
```

```
// Retrieves public key
atcacert_read_device_loc( device_loc, data);
```

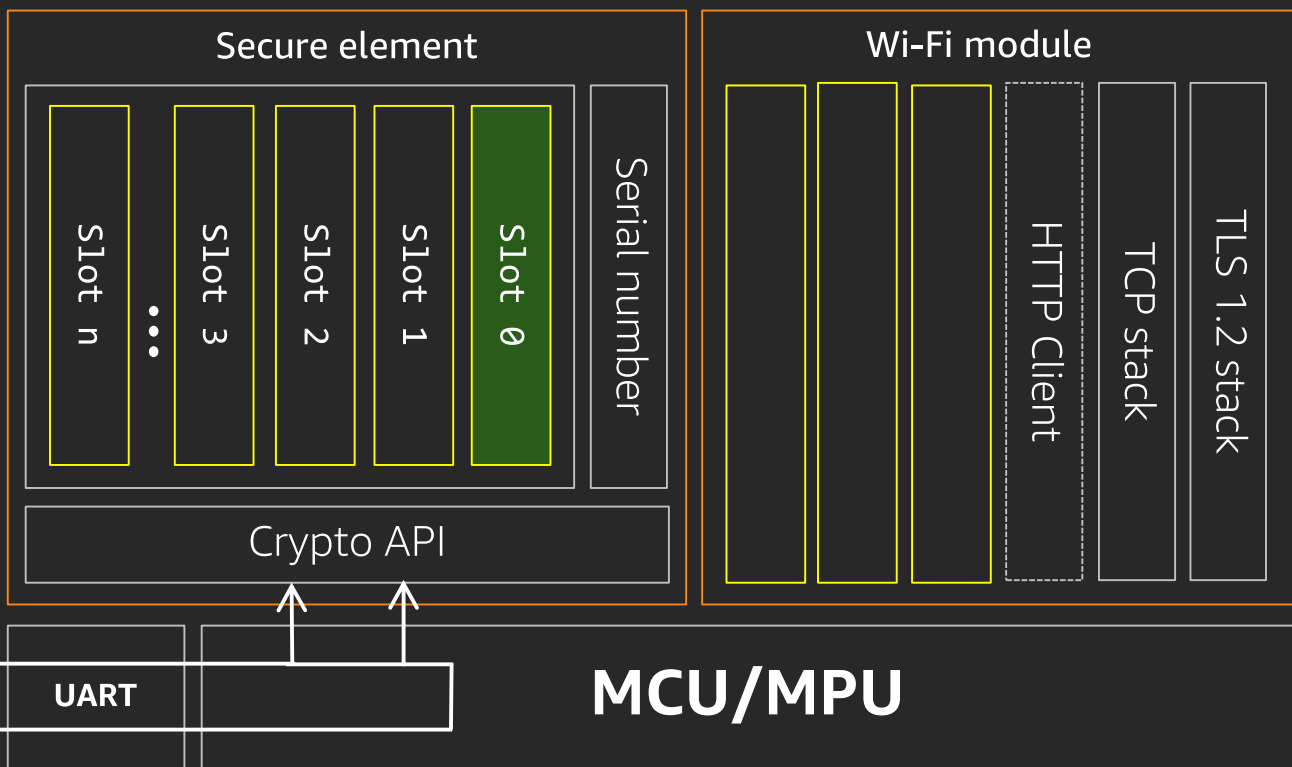
```
// Emit configuration over serial...
```

```
```text
```

```
a93184c377e4cfddc4a485332b2df151 LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBQ...tFWS0tLS0tCg==
abe185a972e12e79f508b0ef2a2df151 LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBQ...tFWS0tLS0tCgo=
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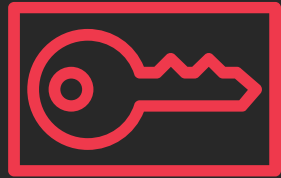
```
```bash
```

```
aws dynamodb put-item --table-name provisioning-db \
  --item "{\"device-id\": {\"S\": \"$serial\"}, \"pubkey\": {\"S\": \"$pubkey\"}}"
```



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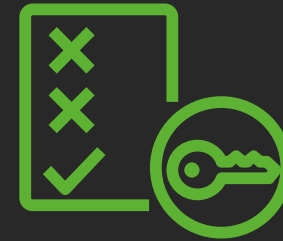
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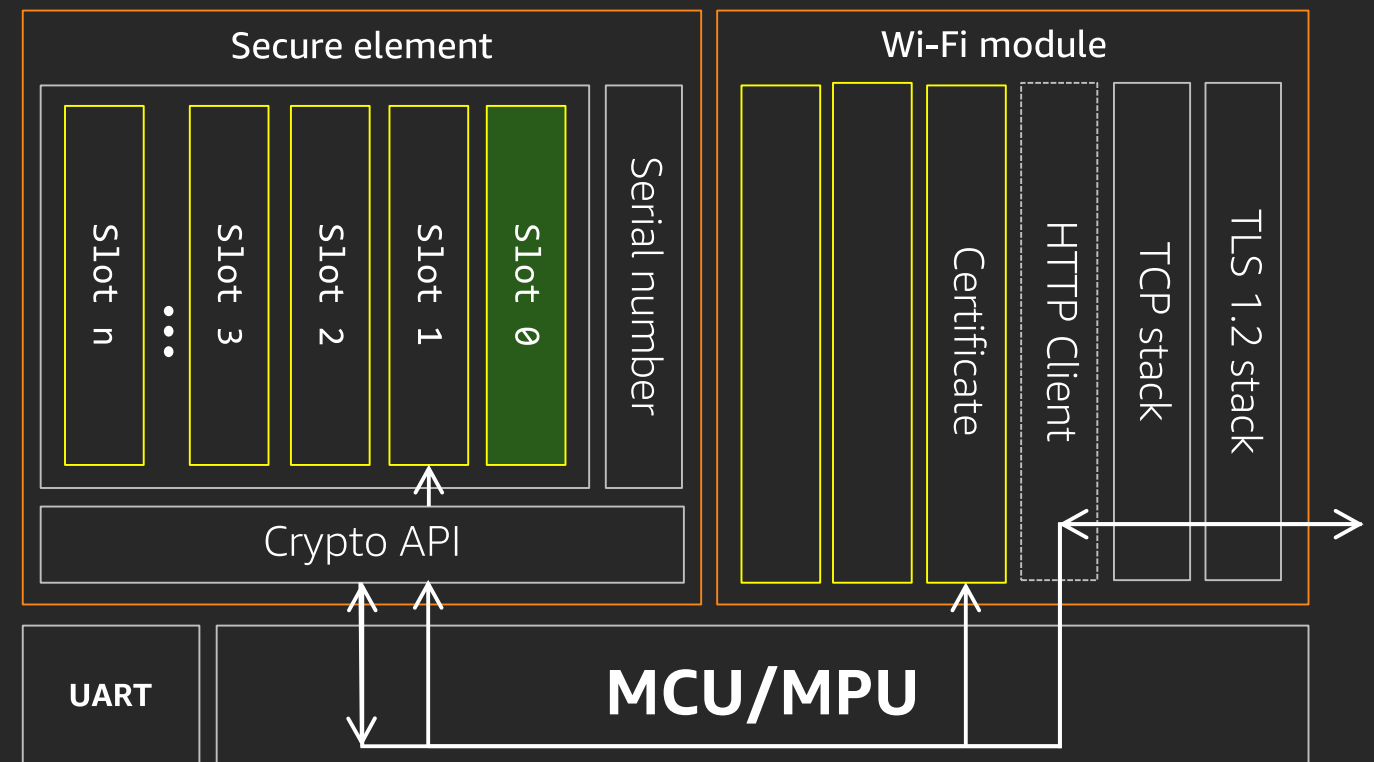


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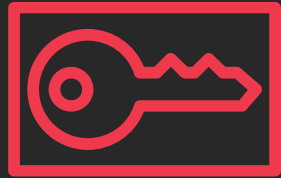
Connect

```
...  
xResult = atcacert_create_csr_pem( csr_def,  
                                   csr,  
                                   csr_size);  
...  
xResult = IotHttpClient_SendSync( xHTTPConnection,  
                                   xHTTPRequest,  
                                   &xHTTPResponse,  
                                   &xHTTPResponseInfo,  
                                   provHTTP_TIMEOUT_MS );  
configASSERT( xHTTPClientResult == IOT_HTTPS_OK );  
...  
xResult = atcacert_write_cert( cert_def,  
                               cert,  
                               cert_size);
```



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Secure device authentication and authorization for pristine connectivity



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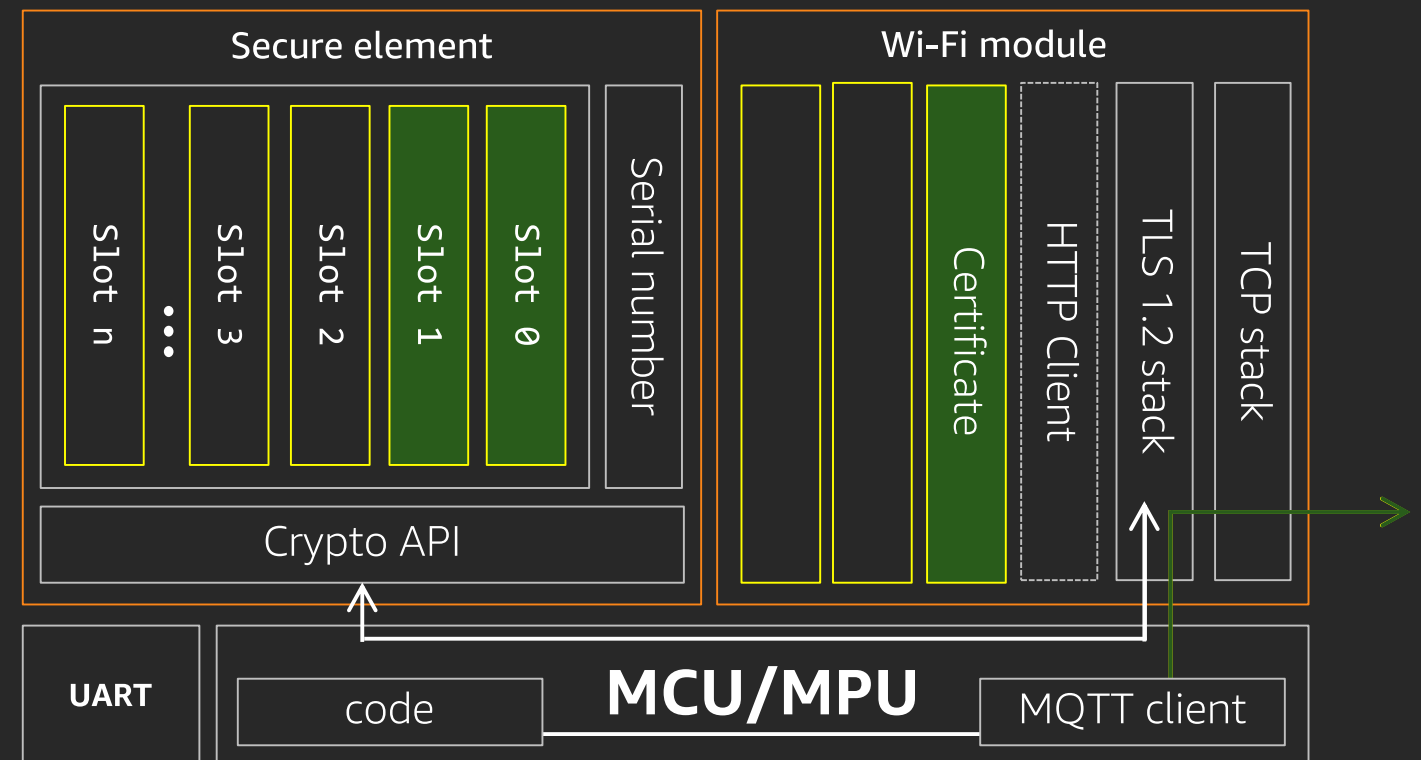


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```
...  
static IotMqttConnection_t * pMQTTHandle;  
...  
IotMqttNetworkInfo_t networkInfo = IOT_MQTT_NETWORK_INFO_INITIALIZER;  
...  
IotMqttConnectInfo_t connectInfo = IOT_MQTT_CONNECT_INFO_INITIALIZER;  
...  
connectStatus = IotMqtt_Connect( &networkInfo,  
                                &connectInfo,  
                                MQTT_TIMEOUT_MS,  
                                pHandle );
```



# Recap

# What we have learned

Connectivity security patterns reduce basic threats

Physical security is required to protect device identity

Device analytics mitigates ongoing operational threats

Device management eases over-the-air firmware and config updates

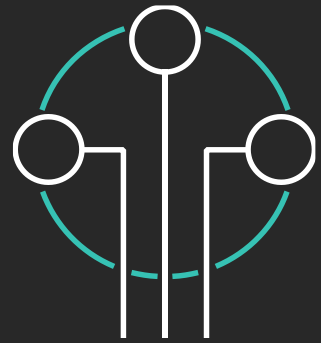
Threats and countermeasures are always evolving

All demos will be released to Github after re:Invent!

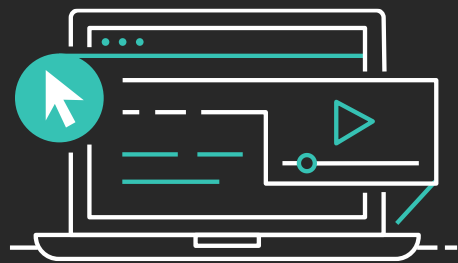
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