



IoT and JTAG Primer

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- What is IoT?
- Trustwave Study/Statistics
- State of IoT Security
- Attacking IoT Devices
- JTAG
- Handling IoT Growth





Introduction

Session Goals

- This is an entry level session (101)
- Will help clarify what IoT is and isn't
- You should better understand the rate of adoption of IoT
- You will learn about the state of IoT Security
- You should leave with a overview understanding of IoT security testing
- We'll get deeper into what JTAG is and why should you care
- You will learn about some ways organizations can be better prepared to handle IoT in their environment
- We'll start with the very basics and work our way up to more technical material



Introduction

About the Presenter

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- **Grew up in Sherbrooke, QC Canada and now lives in Sarasota, FL USA**
- **Work closely with all SpiderLabs resources globally**





Introduction

About Trustwave SpiderLabs



- **A division within Trustwave**
- **Consists of 150+ specialized security experts**
- **Focuses on penetration testing, red teaming, research and incident response**
- **Performed millions of scans and thousands of penetration tests**
- **Routinely perform embedded and IoT testing**
- **We are HIRING penetration testers for our team located in Makati!!!**
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What is IoT?



What is IoT?

What is embedded?

- An embedded system is a **programmed controlling and operating system** with a **dedicated function** within a larger mechanical or electrical system, often with real-time computing constraints. It is embedded as part of a complete device often including **hardware and mechanical parts**. Embedded systems control many devices in common use today. **Ninety-eight percent of all microprocessors** are manufactured as components of embedded systems. (Source: Wikipedia)
- Dedicated function
- Not a general computing device
- May or may not be interconnected



What is IoT?

Definition

- The Internet of Things (IoT) is the **network of physical devices**, vehicles, home appliances, and other items embedded with electronics, software, sensors, actuators, and connectivity which enables these things to **connect and exchange data**, creating opportunities for more direct **integration of the physical world** into computer-based systems, **resulting in efficiency improvements, economic benefits, and reduced human exertions** (Source: Wikipedia)
- Networked embedded systems
- Usually assigned an IP address and connected to the Internet
- Often labeled as “Smart Devices”



What is IoT?

Description

- **An IoT device is always an embedded device**
- **An embedded device is not always an IoT device**
- **An IoT device is interconnected**
- **An IoT device is built for a specific purpose**



What is IoT?

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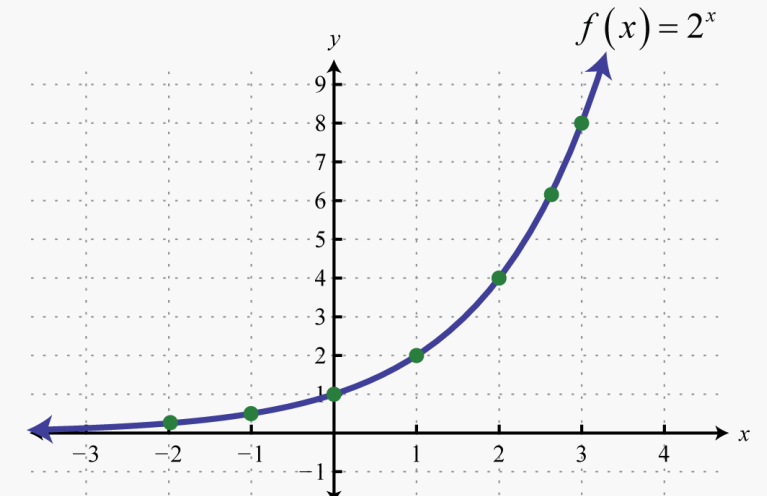
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- **Phillips Hue**
- **Garmin Forerunner**
- **Fitbit**
- **Whiting Blood Pressure Monitor**
- **Meat Thermometers**
- **Weather Stations**
- **Ring doorbell**
- **IP Cameras**
- **Amazon Dash Buttons**
- **Amazon Echo (Alexa)**
- **IP Phones**
- **Pool Pumps**
- **Door Locks**
- **Video Game Consoles**
- **Alarm Systems**



What is IoT?

Why it is important

- Explosive growth of IoT both in homes and in the enterprise
- IoT Security still at its infancy
- Lack of security standards
- Lack of mature testing methodologies
- Not enough research is being done in this domain





What is IoT?

Example Attacks/Breaches

- **Casino customer database breached**
 - Breached via smart thermostat in fish tank
- **Stuxnet**
 - Targeted Iranian nuclear program
 - Successfully destroyed centrifuges
 - Very sophisticated attack
- **Mirai Botnet**
 - Large botnet composed of IoT Devices such as IP cameras and routers
 - Mostly used for DDoS attacks (1.1 Tbps)
 - Took advantage of outdated software and default credentials



What is IoT?

Example Attacks/Breaches

- **Cardiac Devices and Insulin Pumps**

- Implantable pacemakers and defibrillators found to be hackable
- Can cause incorrect pacing or shock by draining the battery
- Cause overdose of insuline

- **Connected Car**

- Control car remotely

- **Sniper Rifles**

- As demonstrated at Black Hat
- Gun WIFI network with default password



Trustwave Study/Statistics





Trustwave Study/Statistics

About the Study/Methodology

- **Study commissioned to assess**
 - The current and future use of IoT
 - Corresponding security practices and implementation challenges
- **Sponsored by Trustwave**
- **Conducted by Osterman Research in November 2017**
- **Targeted midsize to large organizations in North America**
- **137 respondents**
- **Mean number of employees at organizations surveyed was 1000**
- **Margin of error +/- 8.4%**



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A disparity between IoT use and security
IoT use is growing rapidly

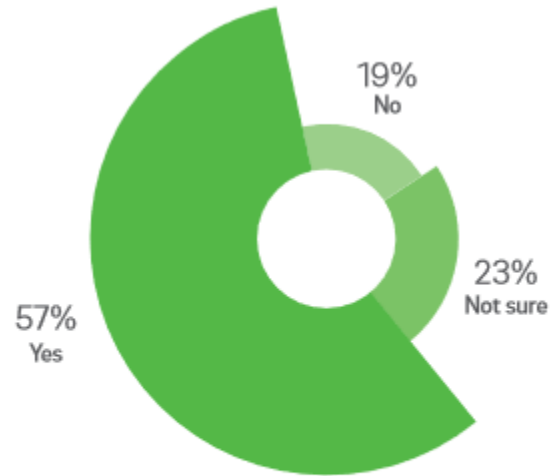


Figure 4 Does Your Organization Have Plans to Increase the Use of IoT in Your Operations?

Note: Figures do not total 100 percent due to rounding

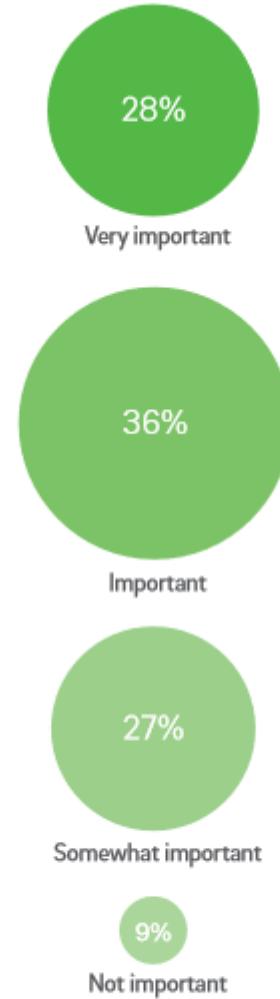
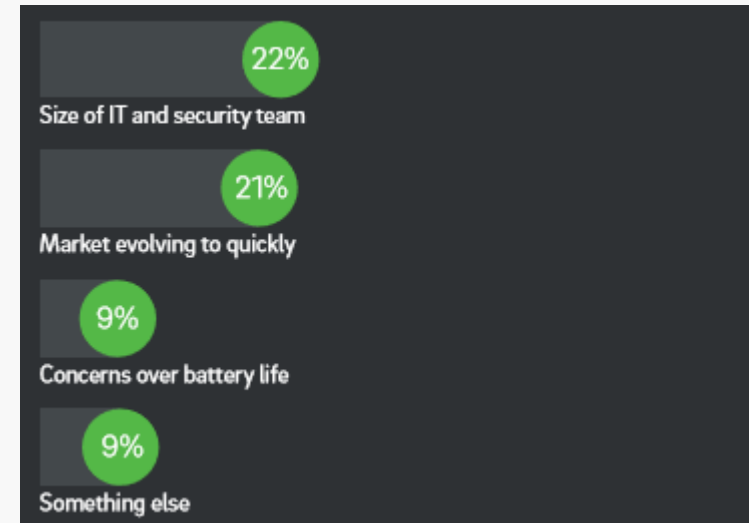
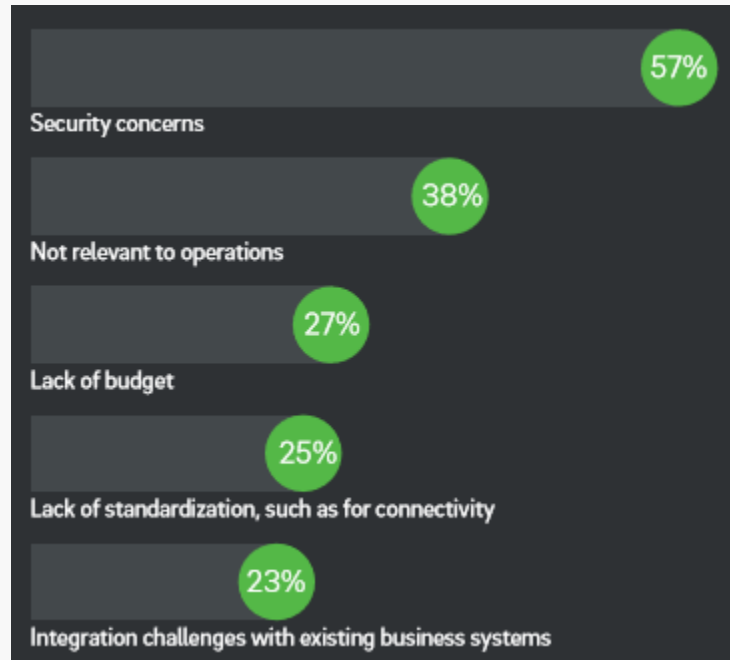


Figure 3 Compared to the Other Cyber Security Priorities in Your Organization, How Critical is Your IoT Security Strategy?



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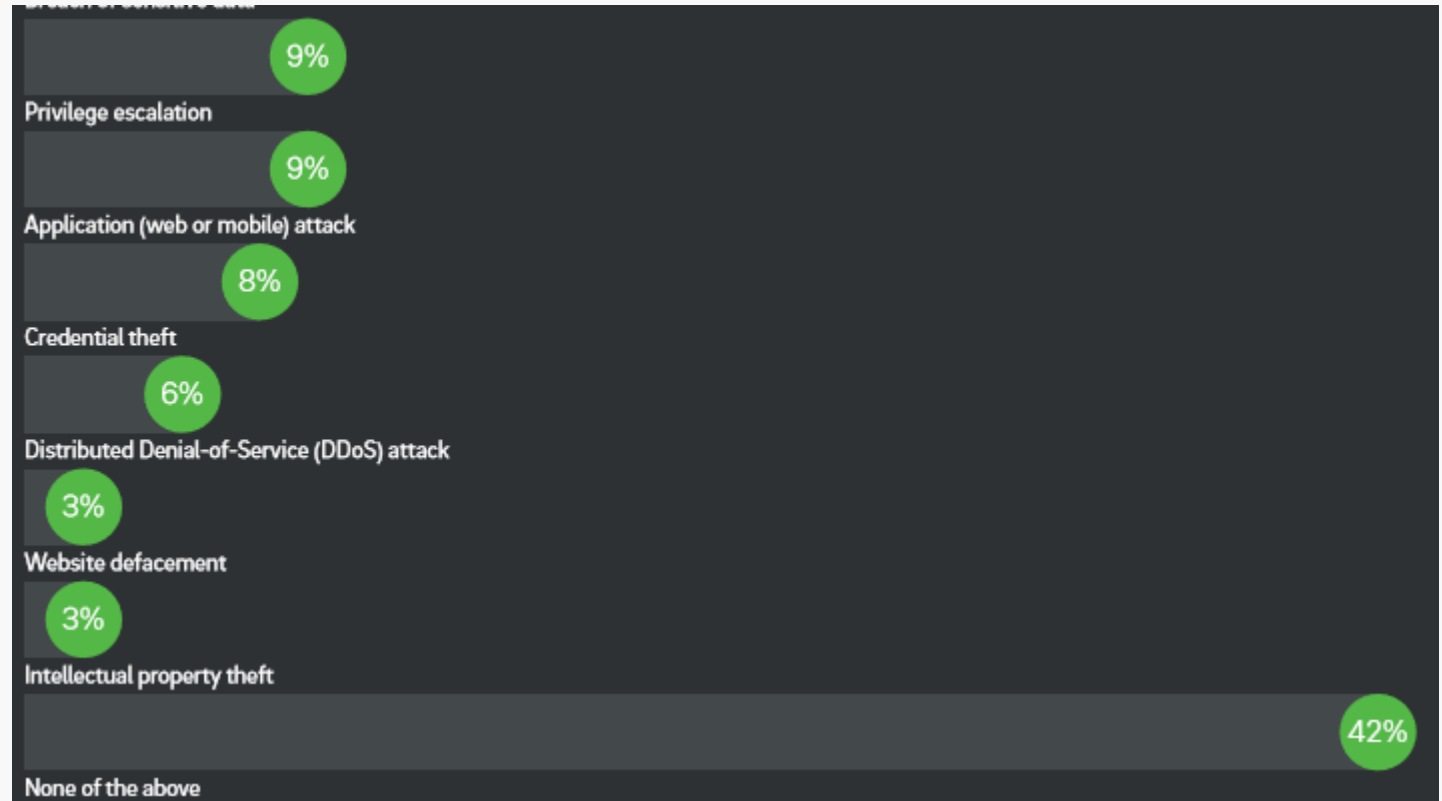
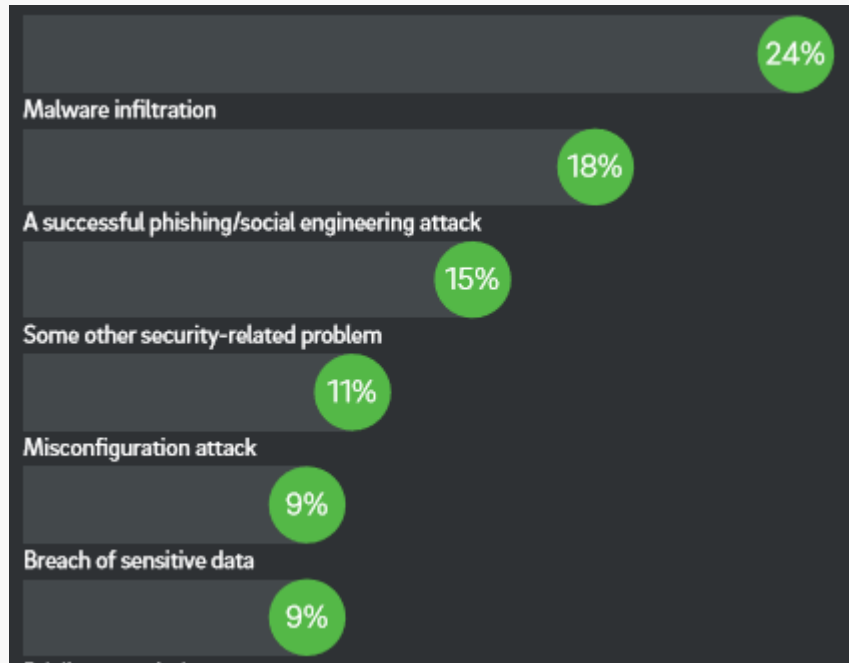
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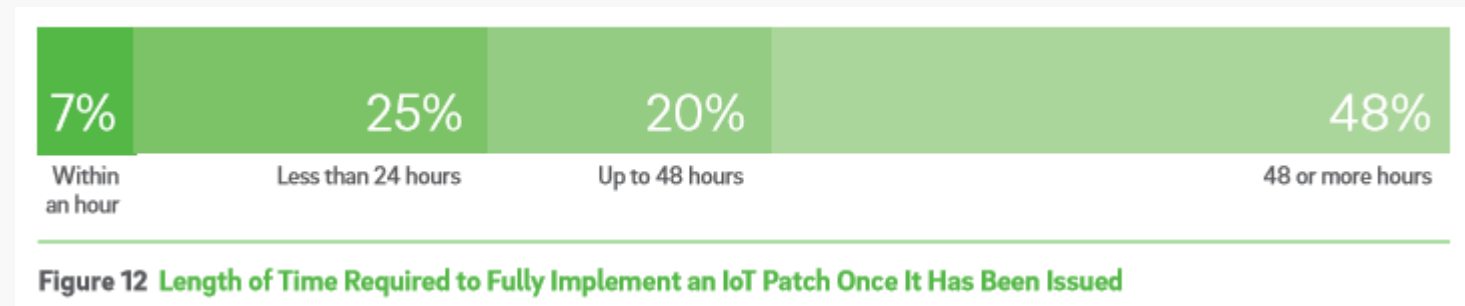
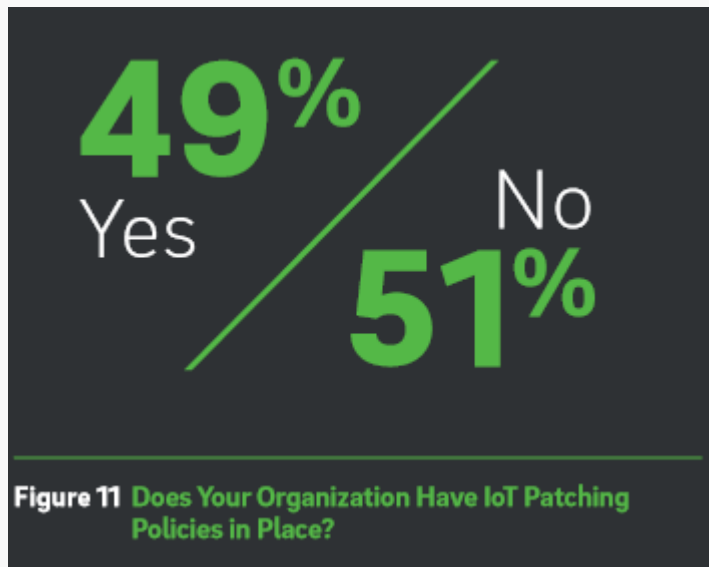
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A lack of patching policies and procedures





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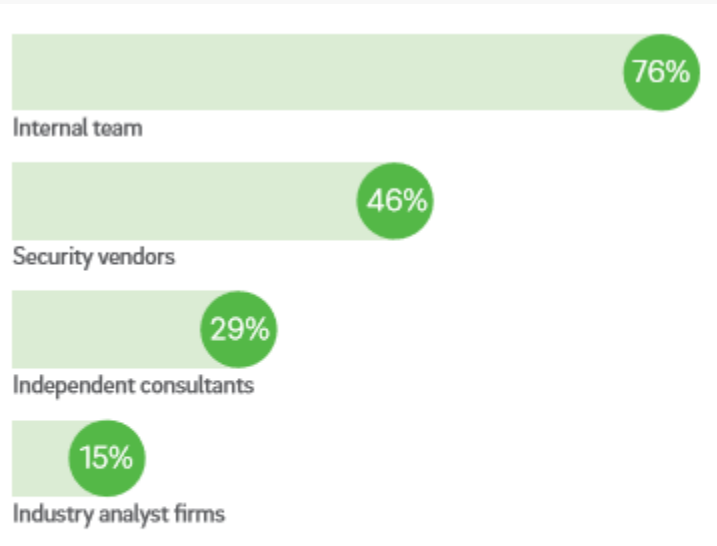


Figure 13 Extent to Which Various Sources Will be Used for Help with IoT Security
Percentage Responding "Very Likely" or "Definitely Will" Consult

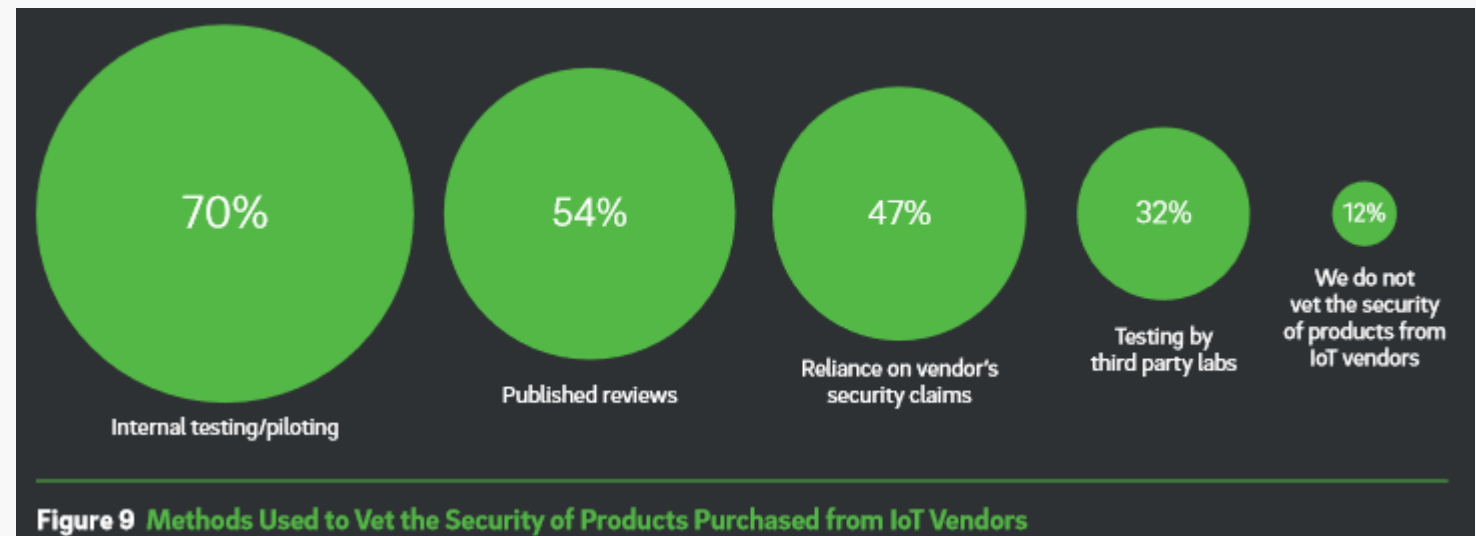


Figure 9 Methods Used to Vet the Security of Products Purchased from IoT Vendors



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Confidence in IoT security is not high



Figure 8 Confidence That Organizations Can Detect and Protect Against IoT-Related Security Incidents



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Key Findings Recap

- **A disparity between IoT use and security**
- **IoT use is growing rapidly**
- **Security concerns cited as top barrier to increased IoT adoption**
- **Most have already experienced an IoT-related security incident**
- **A lack of patching policies and procedures**
- **Insufficient risk assessment for third party-partners and testing of IoT vendors**
- **Confidence in IoT security is not high**



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Growth of IoT

- **Business Insider Intelligence**

- Projects there will be 55 billion IoT devices by 2025, up from 9 billion in 2017

- **Juniper**

- IoT devices, sensors and actuators will reach over 46 billion by 2021

- **Cisco**

- From 16.3 billion in 2015 to 26.3 in 2020
- 3.4 devices per capita in 2020 vs 2.2 in 2015

- **Ericsson**

- Projecting annual growth rate of 23%



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Growth of IoT

- **Gartner**
 - 20.8 billion devices by 2020
- **IDC**
 - 25.6 billion in 2019 up to 30 billion in 2020
- **Goldman Sachs**
 - 10X as many (28 billion) by 2020



State of IoT Security





State of IoT Security

Top 10 IoT Vulnerabilities (2014)

- **I1 – Insecure Web Interface**
- **I2 – Insufficient Authentication/Authorization**
- **I3 – Insecure Network Services**
- **I4 – Lack of Transport Encryption**
- **L5 – Privacy Concerns**
- **L6 – Insecure Cloud Interface**
- **L7 – Insecure Mobile Interface**
- **L8 – Insufficient Security Configurability**
- **I9 – Insecure Software/Firmware**
- **I10 – Poor Physical Security**





State of IoT Security

What we see in IoT implementations

- **Security maturity about a decade behind**
 - Weak/default credentials
 - Replay attacks
 - Lack of or weak encryption
- **Often difficult or impossible to patch**
- **Very large ecosystem**
 - Many different connectors, standards, platforms, frameworks, etc.
- **Security thru obscurity**
- **Many embedded developer assume their code will operate in a trusted environment**



Attacking IoT Devices



Attacking IoT Devices

IoT Stack

- **Device**
- **User/Management Interfaces**
 - Mobile Apps
 - Web
 - Thick Client
- **Hardware Input and Output**
- **Hardware sensors**
- **Local/Global Network**
- **Wireless (BLE, ZigBee, Wifi, etc.)**
- **Cloud Services/API's**





Attacking IoT Devices

Required Skills

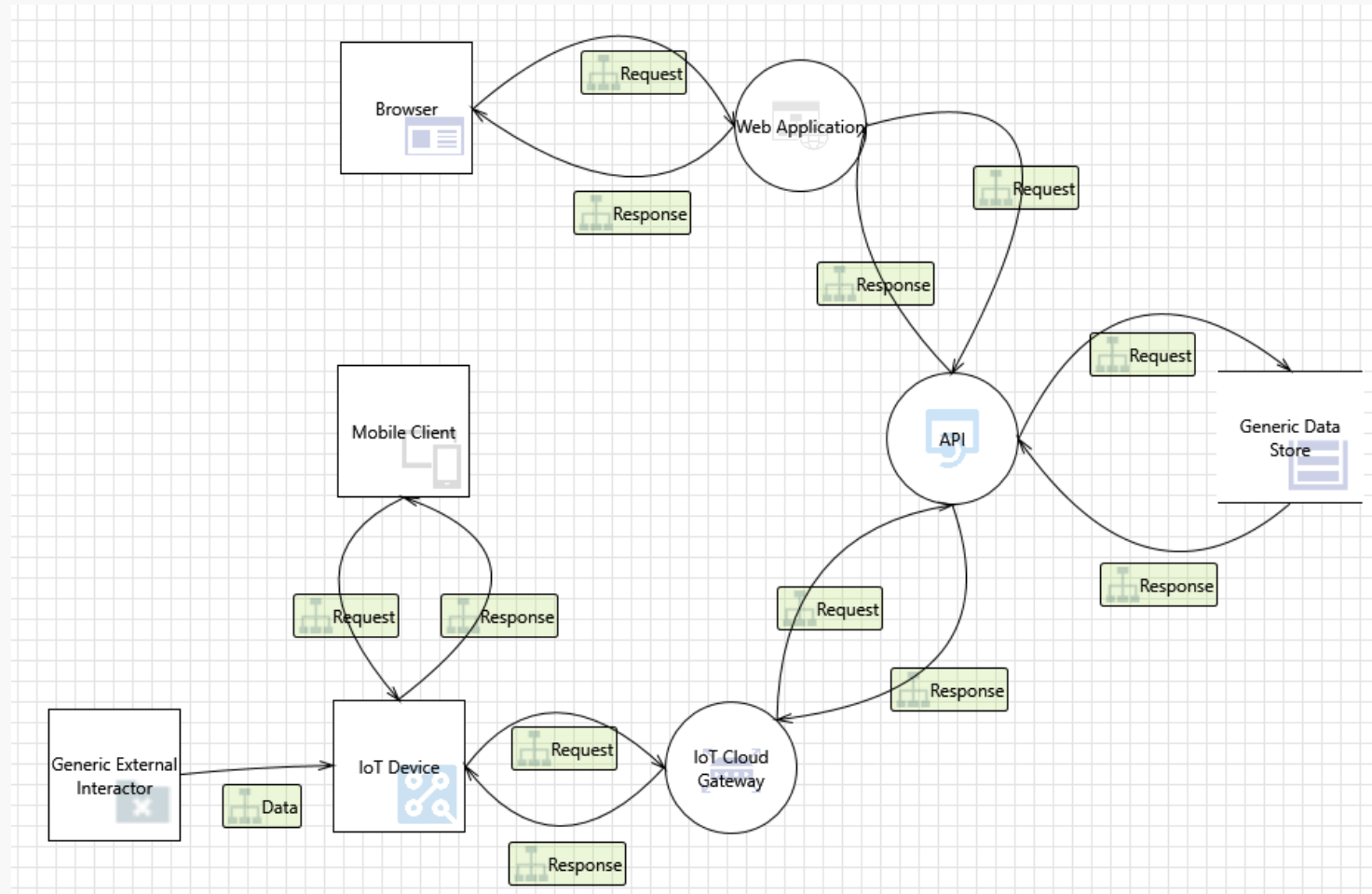
- **Web Application Security Testing**
- **Mobile Application Security Testing**
- **Wireless Testing**
- **Network Penetration Testing**
- **Reverse Engineering**
- **Electronics**
- **Strong appetite and aptitude for learning**
- **And more...**





Attacking IoT Devices

The IoT Attack Surface





Attacking IoT Devices

Research Target

- **Identify hardware components**
- **Download Firmware**
- **Download SDK's**
- **Public datasheets (alldatasheet.com)**
 - FCC ID
- **Identify Ports (UART, JTAG, etc)**
- **Shodan for target discovery**
- **Threat modeling**



Attacking IoT Devices

Common Attack Techniques

- **Reverse engineering firmware**
 - Hidden secrets (Passwords, Certs, API Keys, etc)
 - Backdoors, Debug or Administrative features
- **Radio Attacks (Sniff, Replay, MiTM)**
- **Monitor network traffic**
- **Port scan target/Network attacks**
- **Direct access to device memory**



Attacking IoT Devices

Ports

- **UART**
- **JTAG**
- **SPI**
- **I2C**
- **USB**
- **Ethernet**
- **Etc**



JTAG

JTAG



What is JTAG

How is JTAG Used

What can I get from JTAG as an Attacker

Identifying Pinouts

Interfacing with JTAG

Other Hardware Interfaces

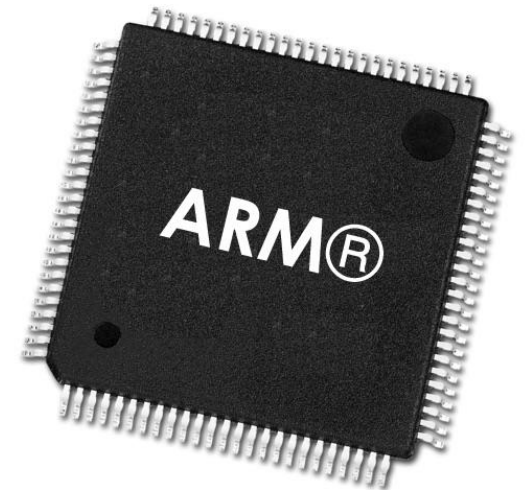




JTAG

What is JTAG

- Named after the Joint Test Action Group
- Industry standard for verifying designs and testing printed circuit boards (PCB)
- Defines a debug port
- Allows Tapping into the operating PCB via a TAP (test access port)
- Daisy-chained to allow access to multiple components
- Allows debugging of firmware code
- Allows boundary scans

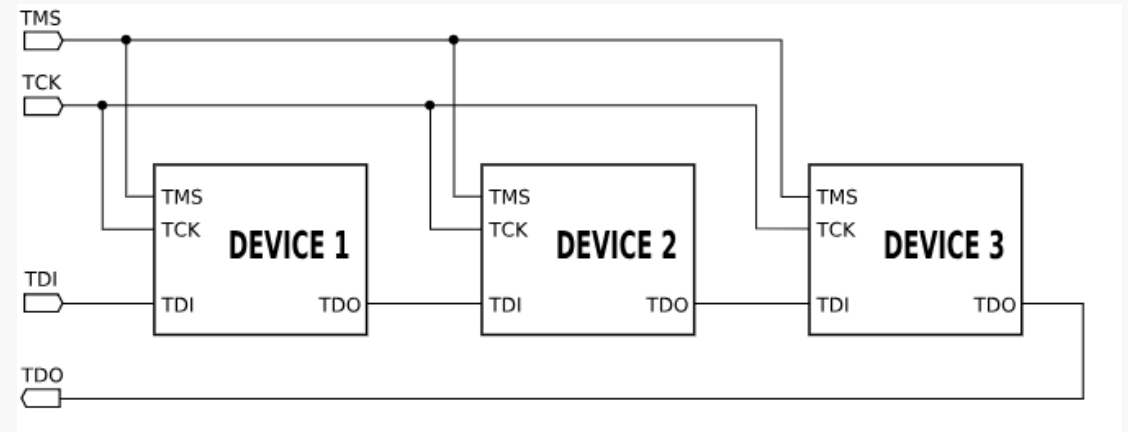




JTAG

What is JTAG

- **TDI**
 - Test Data In
- **TDO**
 - Test Data Out
- **TCK**
 - Test Clock
- **TMS**
 - Test Mode Select
- **TRST**
 - Test Reset (Optional)
- **Switch device state with TMS**
- **Device can have control registers**
 - IR – Instruction Register
 - DR – Data Register





JTAG

How is JTAG used

- **Extract or upload code/data**
- **Modify memory contents**
- **Affect device operation on the fly**
- **Read specific pins on a device**



JTAG

What can I get as an attacker with JTAG

- **Download firmware**
 - For Analysis
- **Upload firmware**
 - Tampering
 - Backdoor
- **Debugging**
 - Bypass security features
- **Full Compromise**
 - Pivoting
- **Specific engagement**
- **As part of a larger initiative**
 - Pen Test
 - Red Team



JTAG

Identifying Pinouts

- **TAP (Test Access Port)**
- **Daisy chained between chips**
- **Main challenge leveraging JTAG is determining connections**
- **Methods of determining JTAG pins**
 - Visual
 - JTAGEnum
 - Jtagulator



JTAG

Identifying Pinouts - Visual

- Sometime you might get lucky and see a labeled JTAG header
- Sometimes you might find information online
- Sometimes you maybe able to leverage datasheets and tracing
- Sometimes it's not so easy

JTAG

Identifying Pinouts - Visual

ARM14 JTAG header pinout

1	VREF	■	■	GND	2
3	nTRST	■	■	GND	4
5	TDI	■	■	GND	6
7	TMS	■	■	GND	8
9	TCK	■	■	GND	10
11	TDO	■	■	nSRST	12
13	VREF	■	■	GND	14

ARM JTAG header pinout

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11	RTCK	■	■	GND	12
13	TDO	■	■	GND	14
15	nSRST	■	■	GND	16
17	DBGREQ	■	■	GND	18
19	DGBACK	■	■	GND	20

MIPS EJTAG JTAG header pinout

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13	DINT	■	■	VREF	14

Linksys WRT54G / WRT54GS JTAG header pinout

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Toshiba MIPS JTAG header pinout

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17	-	■	■	-	18
19	-	■	■	-	20



JTAG

Identifying Pinouts - Preparation

- **Add headers**
- **Clips**
- **Identify target voltage**
 - Lookup datasheet
 - Measure VCC /GND
- **Precautions**
 - Ensure there is a shared ground between the target and your enumerating device
 - Connect to target with power off
 - Power on dongle first then target

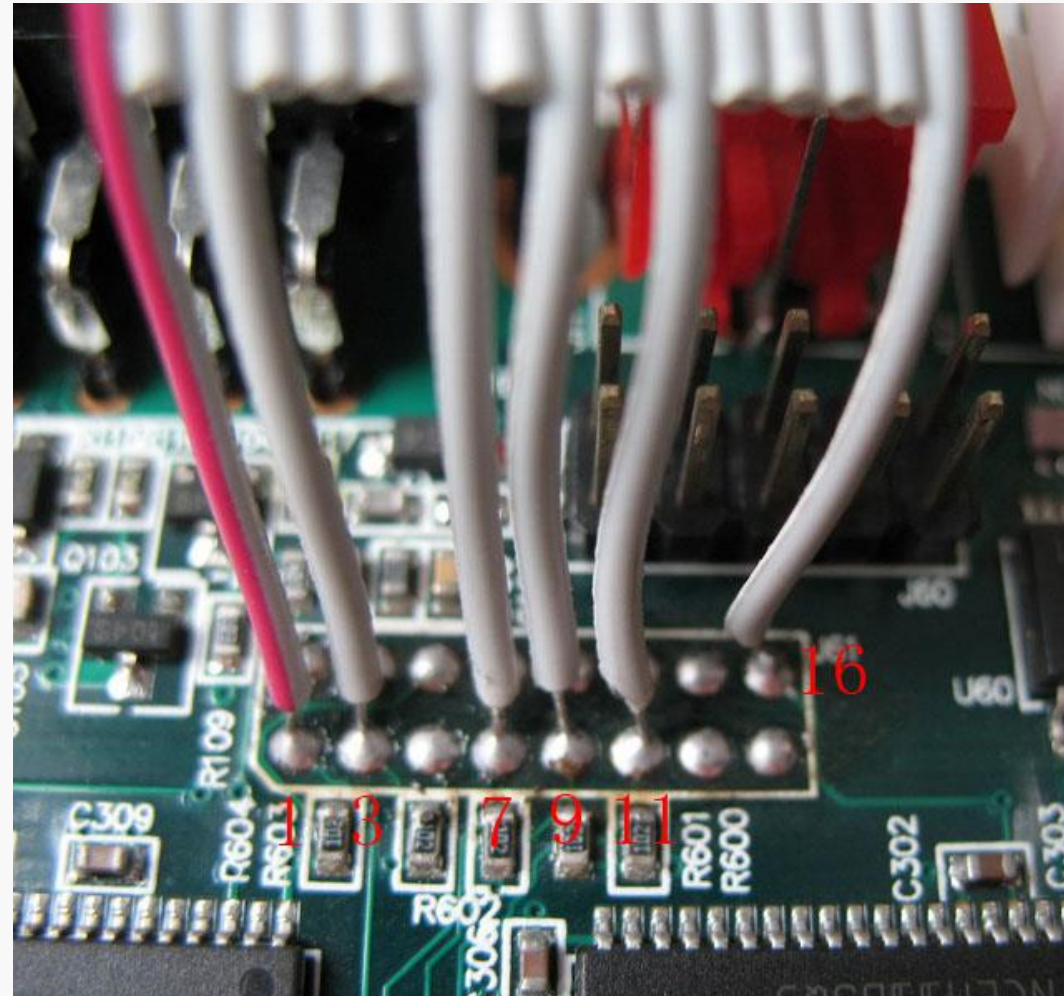


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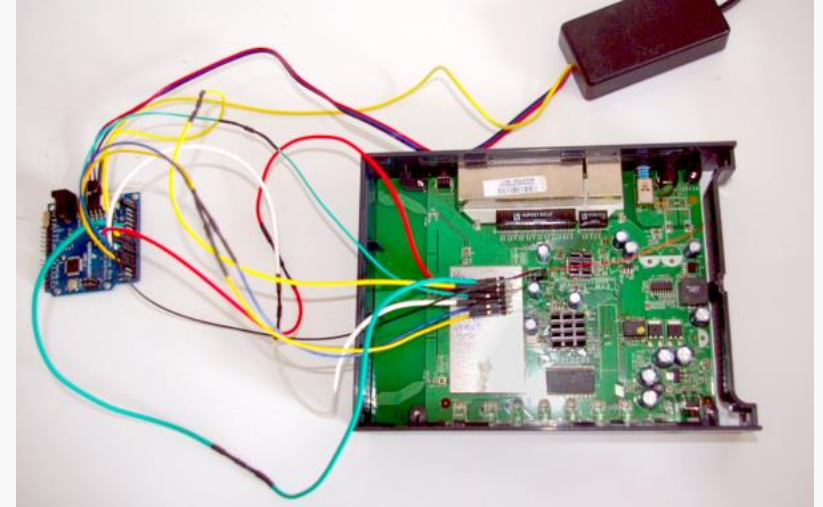
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Identifying Pinouts -JTAGEnum

- **Free Tool Created by Nathan Andrew Fain (Cyphunk)**
- **Runs on Arduino (JTAG.ino)**
 - Teensy++ Can do up to 46 pins
- **Now runs on Raspberry PI (JTAGenum.sh)**
- **Both have minimal configuration that can be tweaked directly in the scripts**
- **Make sure your device supports the power level of your target (3.3v vs 5v)**
- **Can also identify UART pinout**
- **Works sometimes**

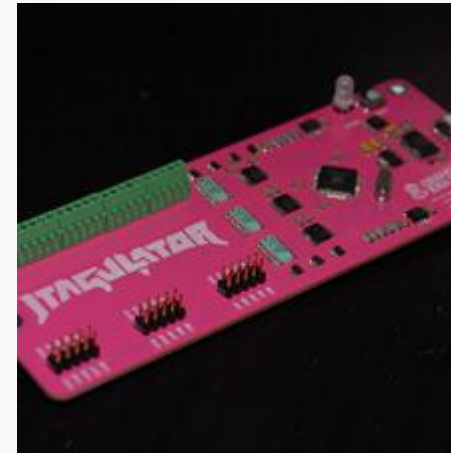




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Identifying Pinouts - Jtagulator

- **Open source tool created by Joe Grand (Grand Idea Studio)**
- **Build it yourself or buy pre-made**
- **Purpose built**
- **Adjustable voltage from 1.2v to 3.3v**
- **Can do up to 24 pins**
- **Can also identify UART pinout**
- **More reliable**





JTAG

Interfacing with JTAG

- **What to do once you figured out the pinout**
- **urJTAG**
- **OpenOCD**



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Interfacing with JTAG - urJTAG

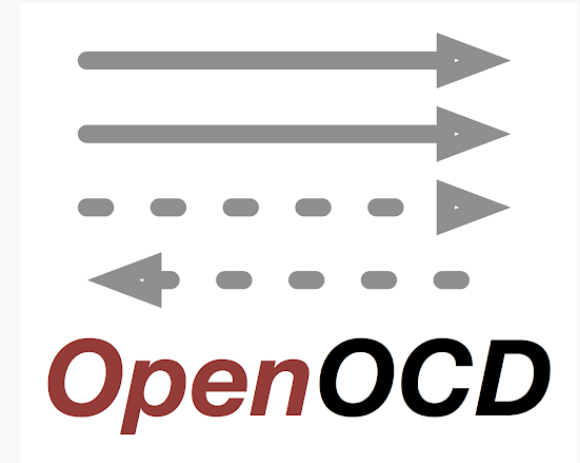
- **Simpler solution**
- **Allows read/writing firmware (readmem/flashmem)**
- **Does not allow debugging**
- **BSDL files (.bsd) are used to define interfaces**
 - Uses VHDL syntax
 - Can be downloaded from <http://bsdl.info/>
- **“cable” command to configure your connection**
- **“detect” command to see devices on the chain**
 - Leverage BSDL files



JTAG

Interfacing with JTAG - OpenOCD

- **Open On-Chip Debugger (OpenOCD)**
- **Extensive features**
- **Supports reading/writing to flash memory**
- **Supports live debugging using GDB**
 - ARM7, ARM9, Cortex-M3, XScale, Intel Quark and others
- **Uses .cfg files to interface with hardware**
- **Runs as a server on port 4444 by default**
- **When debugging, GDB listens on port 3333 by default**
 - gdb-multiarch (build of GDB that supports many architectures)
 - target remote localhost:3333

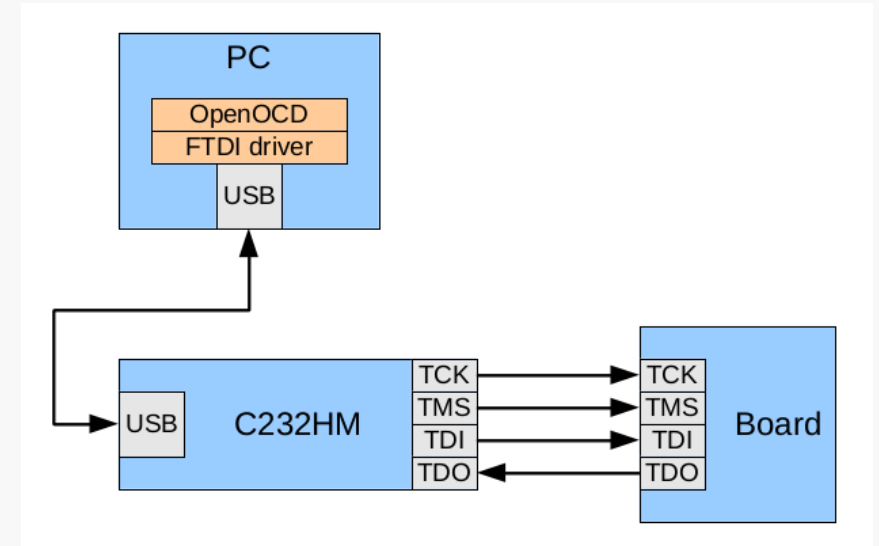




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Interfacing with JTAG – Hardware

- **Many dongles available**
- **FTDI FT2232 chip used in many solution**
 - USB to JTAG (and more)
 - **FT2232H**
 - High Speed (480Mbps)
 - 2 Channels so UART and JTAG can be used at the same time





JTAG

Interfacing with JTAG – Analysis Tools

- **Binwalk**

- Inspects a firmware images to look for known file types
- Will identify headers, compressed kernels, file systems, etc
- You can then extract and use these files
- Signature based and not always accurate

- **Firmware Mod Kit**

- Automates deconstruction and reconstruction of firmware
- Decompress/compress
- Update headers
- Rebuilds/resize file systems



JTAG

Interfacing with JTAG – Analysis Tools

- **Firmwalker**
 - Search extracted or mounted firmware file systems
 - Looks for
 - Passwords
 - Certificates
 - Configuration files
 - Keywords
 - Web servers
 - Common binaries
 - etc



Handling IoT Growth





Handling IoT Growth

Organizations

- **Define and implement an IoT policy**
- **Manage IoT inventory**
- **Vendor management program**
- **Regular scanning and penetration testing**
- **Network Segmentation**



Handling IoT Growth

Implementers

- **Don't expose debug interface (UART, JTAG, etc)**
 - Or at least make it as difficult as possible to identify and connect to
- **Validate firmware**
- **Run services with least privileges**
- **Don't assume code running on the device is running in a trusted environment**
- **Do not use default credentials**
- **Ensure you have a solid update mechanism in place**
- **Use encryption correctly**
- **Have a 3rd party test the full solution**



Conclusion





Conclusion

Recap

- There are many types of IoT/smart devices on the market
- IoT is going thru a massive growth
- Security is weak in IoT
- Lots of opportunities for IoT security testers
- IoT security testing is an aggregate of other types of testing and more
- IoT security testing can be difficult
- Many things can be done to reduce risk by both users and implementers



Conclusion

Final Words

- **Pay attention to IoT**
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