
Towards Sustainable Smart Healthcare

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- Smart Healthcare – Challenges Against Sustainability
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- Trustworthy Medical Prescription
- Conclusion

Smart Healthcare – Broad Introduction

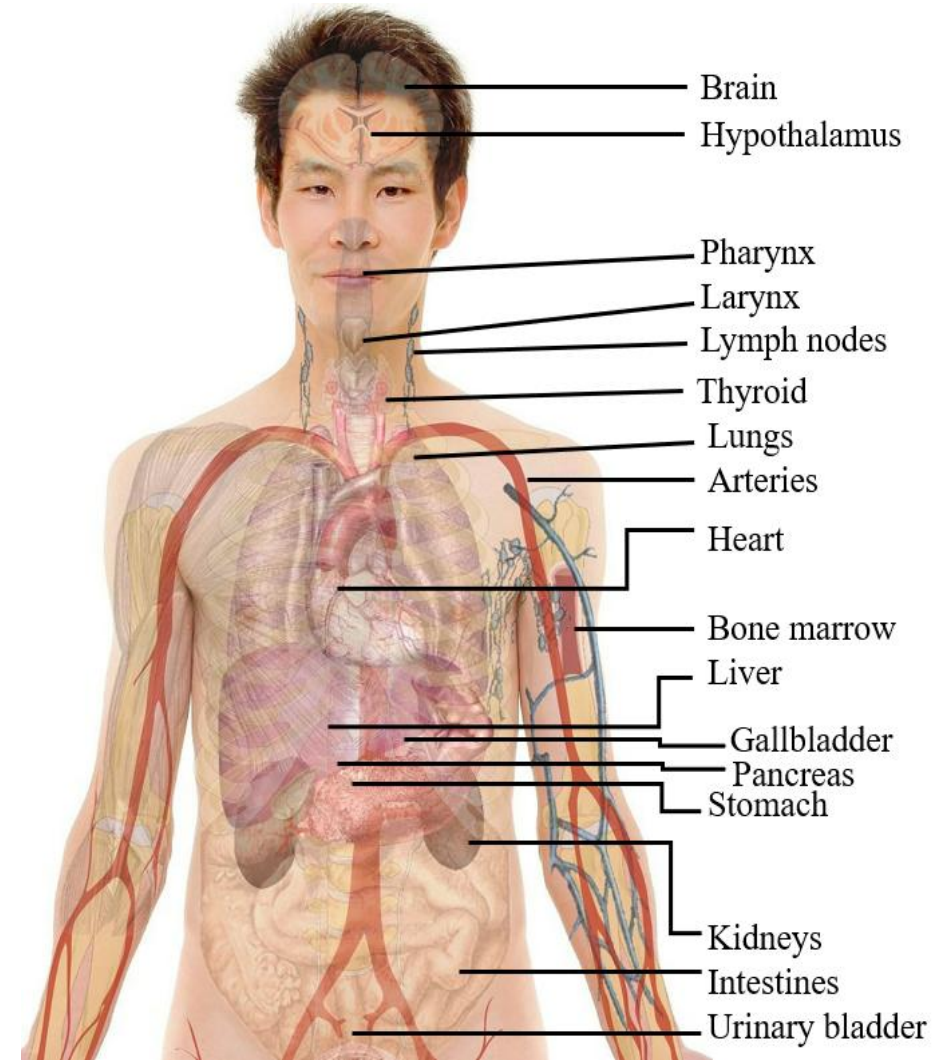
Human Body and Health

Human Body

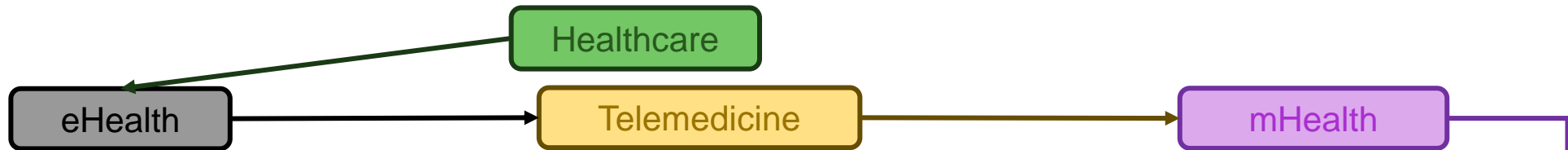
- From an engineering perspective - Human body can be defined as a combination of multi-disciplinary subsystems (electrical, mechanical, chemical ...).

Health

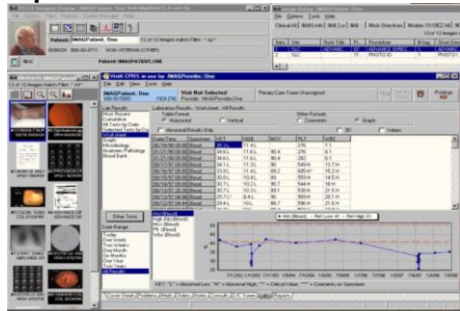
- Human health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being.



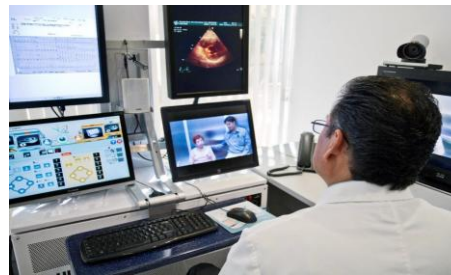
Healthcare → Smart Healthcare



The use of information and communication technologies (ICT) to improve healthcare services.



Telemedicine is the use of telecommunication and information technology to provide clinical healthcare from a distance.



Healthcare supported by *mobile devices* that uses mobile telecommunications and multimedia technologies for the delivery of healthcare services and health information.

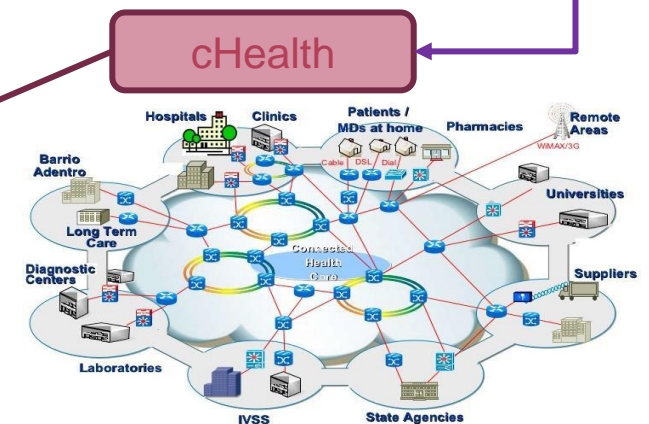


Embedded Skin Patches

Thync's - UltrasoVibeund

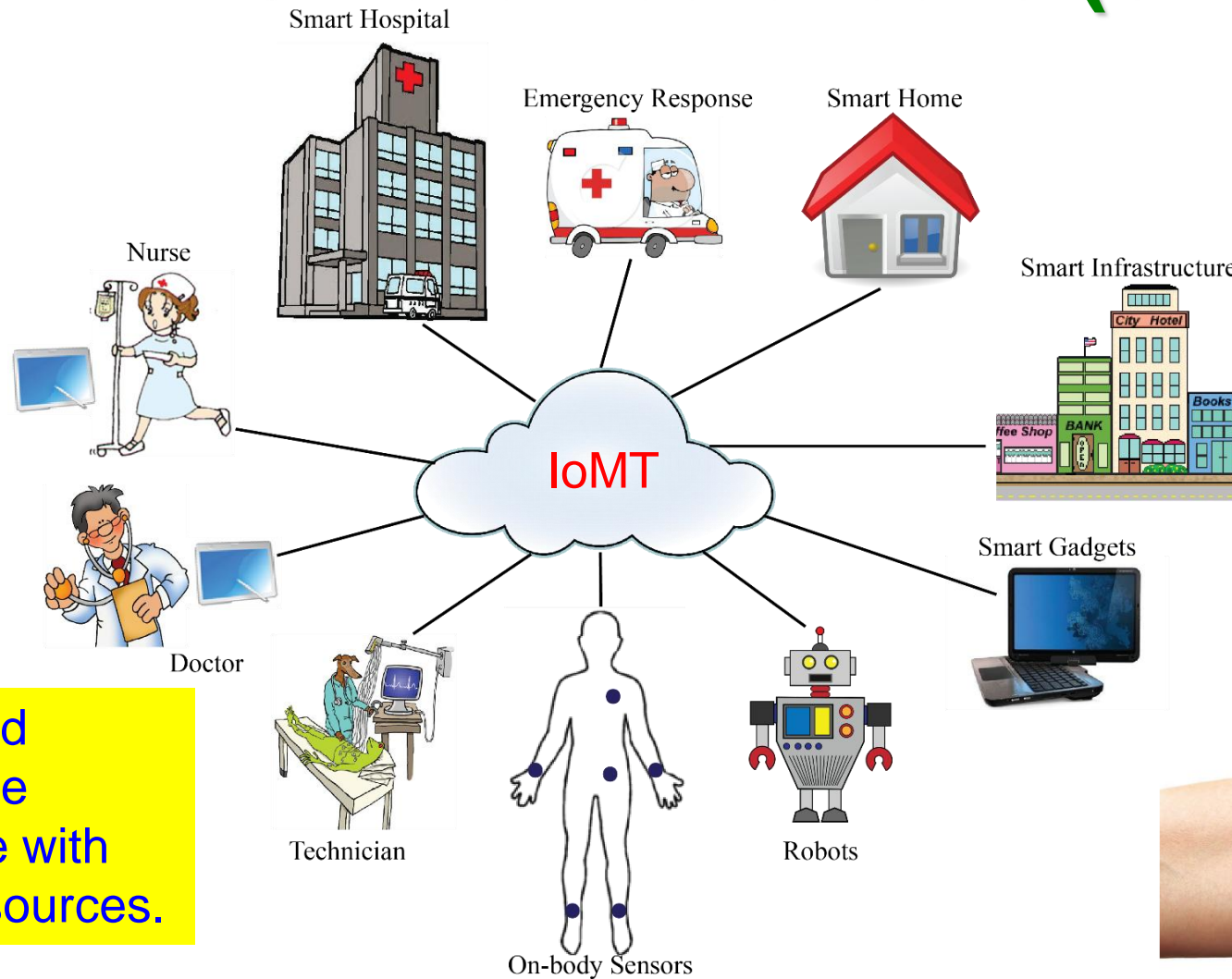
Muse - EEG

sHealth



Source: S. P. Mohanty, "Smart Healthcare: From Healthcare to Smart Healthcare", ICCE 2020 Panel, Jan 2020.

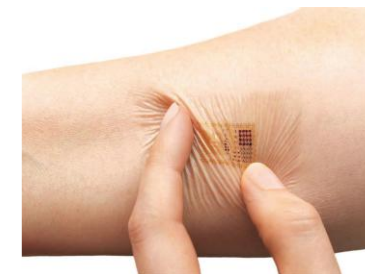
Smart Healthcare (sHealth)



Fitness Trackers



Headband with Embedded Neurosensors

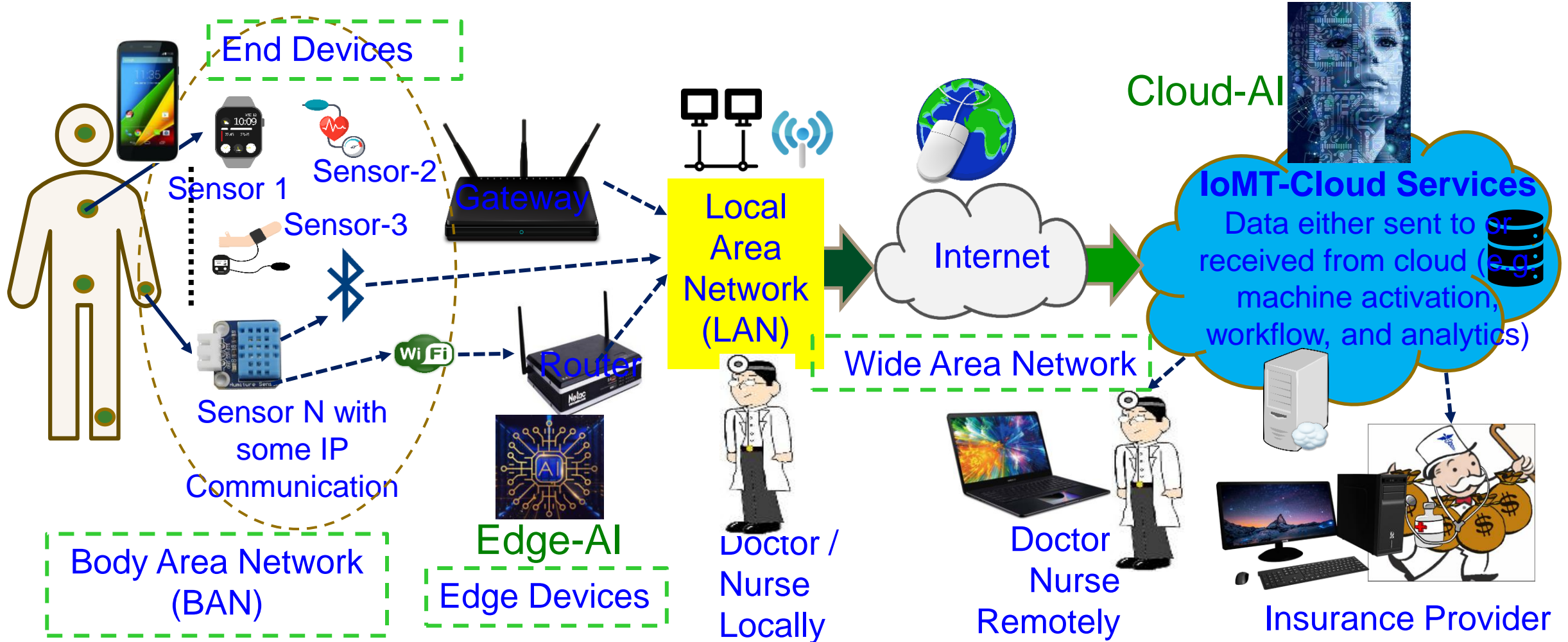


Embedded Skin Patches

Quality and sustainable healthcare with limited resources.

Source: P. Sundaravadivel, E. Kougianos, S. P. Mohanty, and M. Ganapathiraju, "Everything You Wanted to Know about Smart Health Care", *IEEE Consumer Electronics Magazine (MCE)*, Vol. 7, Issue 1, January 2018, pp. 18-28.

Smart Healthcare – Healthcare CPS

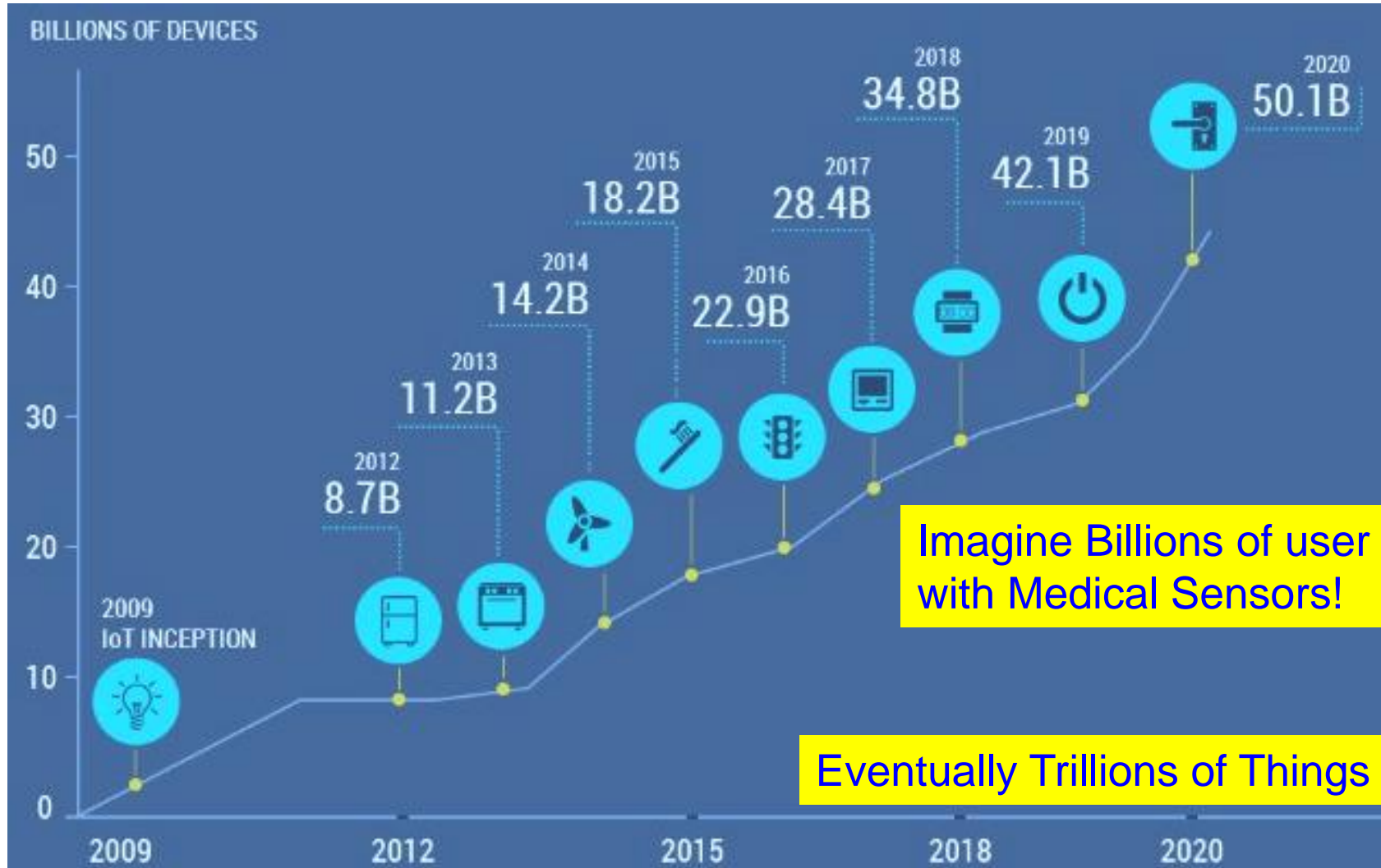


Frost and Sullivan predicts smart healthcare market value to reach US\$348.5 billion by 2025.

Source: S. P. Mohanty, Secure IoT by Design, Keynote, 4th IFIP International Internet of Things Conference (IFIP-IoT), 2021, Amsterdam, Netherlands, 5th November 2021.

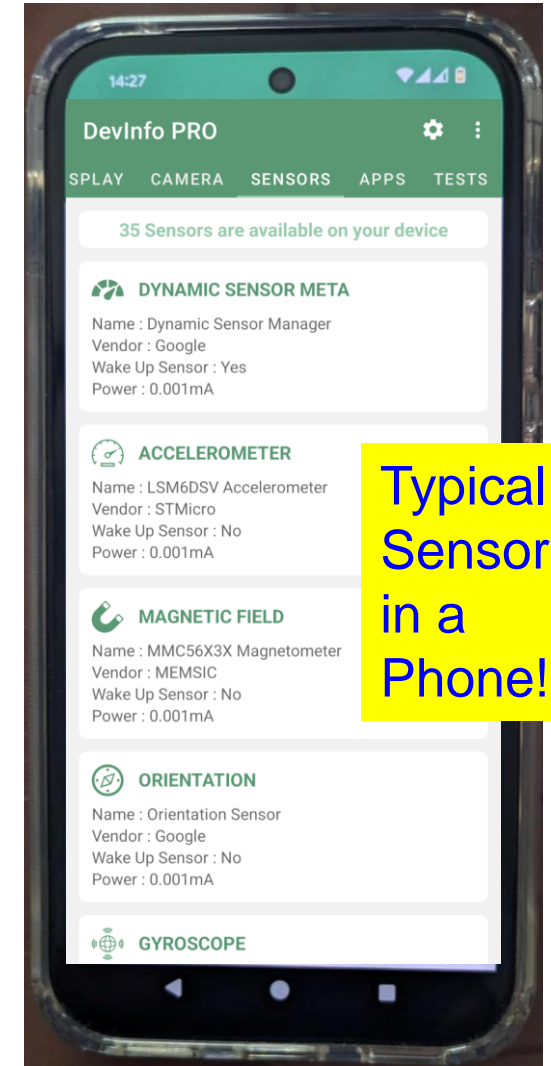
Smart Healthcare – Challenges Against Sustainability

Massive Growth of Sensors/Things



Imagine Billions of user with Medical Sensors!

Eventually Trillions of Things



Source: <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/history-iot-industrial-internet-sensors-data-lakes-0-downtime>

Challenges of Data in IoT/CPS are Multifold



AI/ML Modeling Challenges



Machine Learning Issues

High Energy Requirements

High Computational Resource Requirements

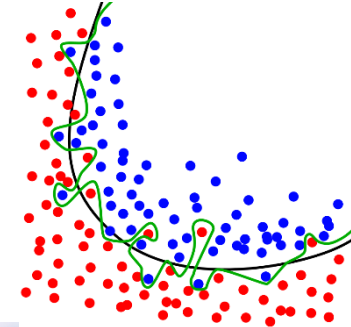
Large Amount of Data Requirements

Underfitting and Overfitting Issue

Class Imbalance Issue

Fake Data Issue

Attack on Training Process



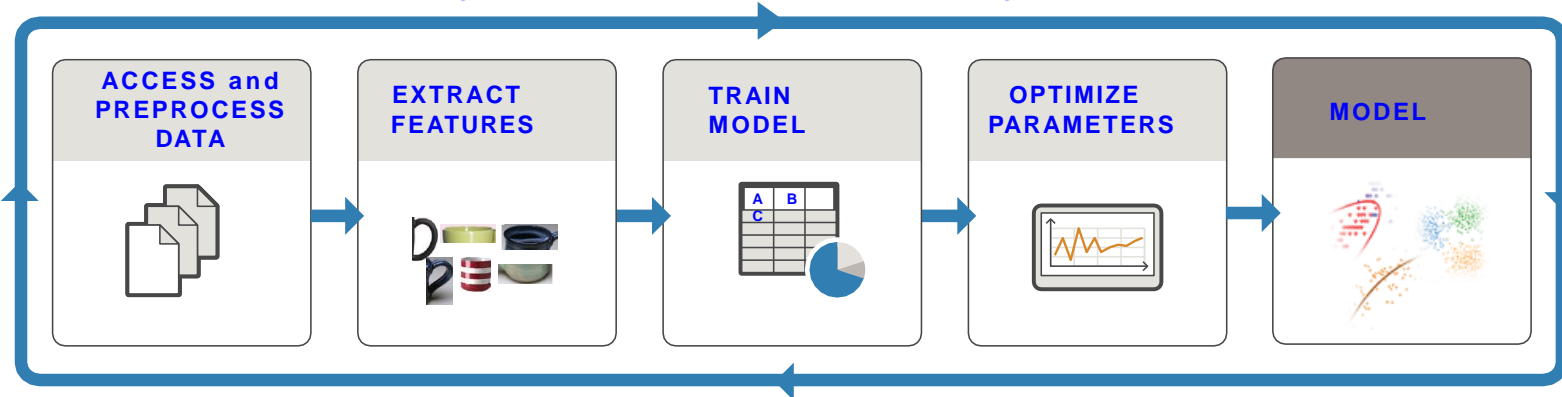
Source: Mohanty ISCT Keynote 2019

Deep Neural Network (DNN) - Resource and Energy Costs

TRAIN: Iterate until you achieve satisfactory performance.

Needs Significant:

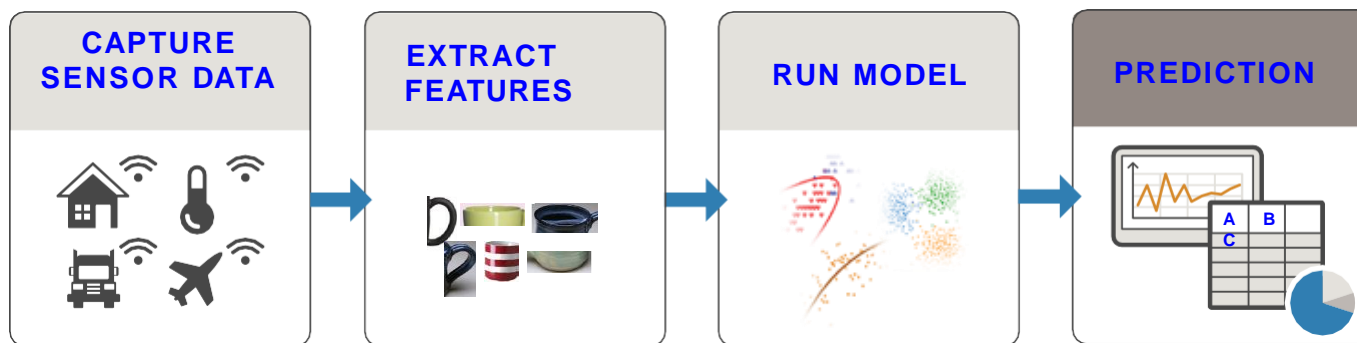
- Computational Resource
- Computation Energy



Limited Computational Capability
Limited Battery Life



PREDICT: Integrate trained models into applications.



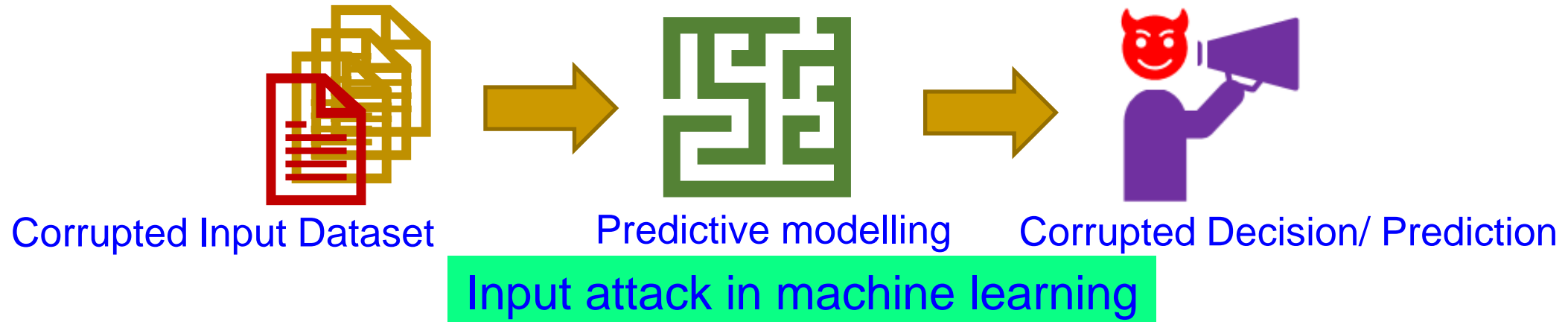
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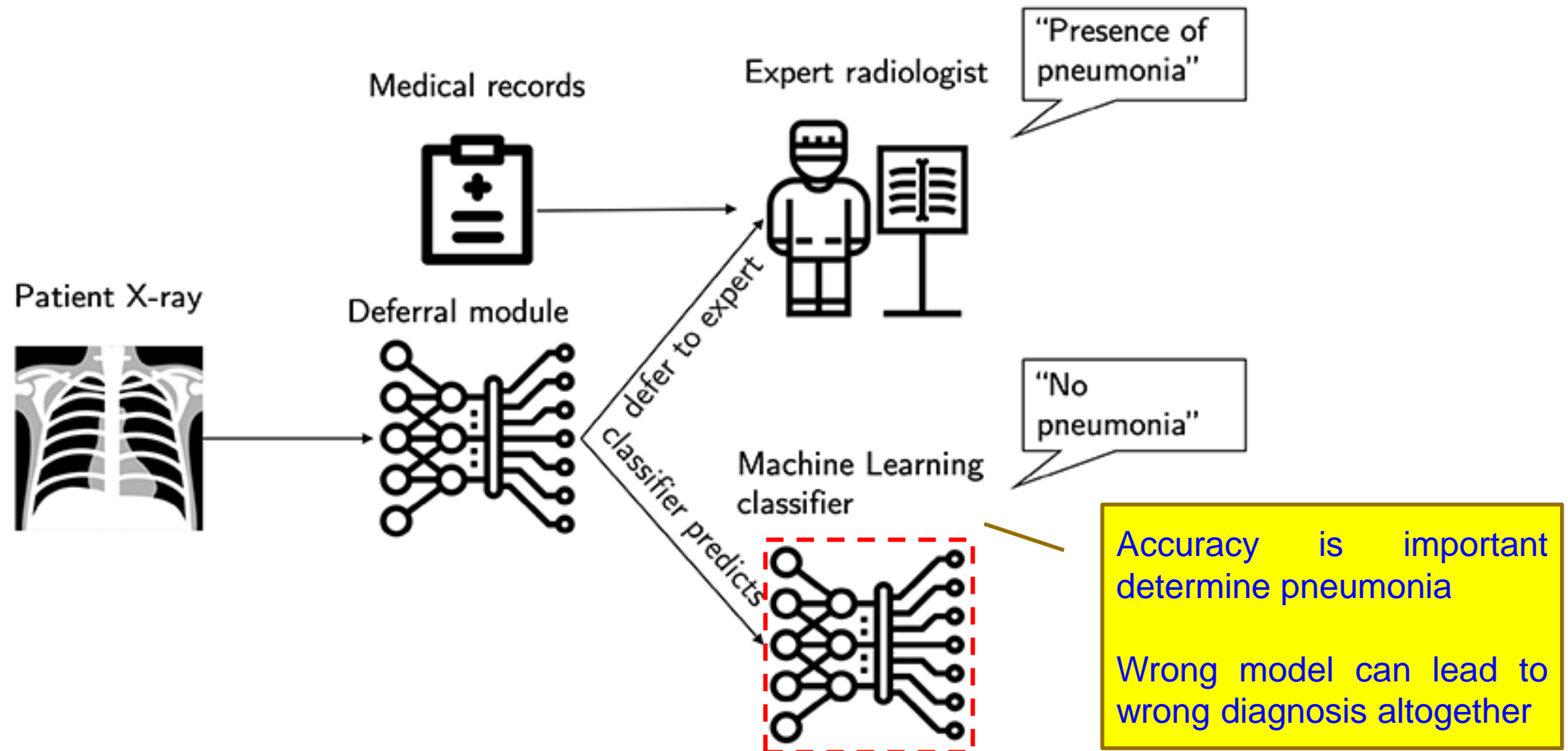
Source: <https://www.mathworks.com/campaigns/offers/mastering-machine-learning-with-matlab.html>

AI/ML – Cybersecurity Issue



Source: D. Puthal, and S. P. Mohanty, "Cybersecurity Issues in AI", *IEEE Consumer Electronics Magazine (MCE)*, Vol. 10, No. 4, July 2021, pp. 33--35.

Wrong ML Model → Wrong Diagnosis



Source: <https://www.healthcareitnews.com/news/new-ai-diagnostic-tool-knows-when-defer-human-mit-researchers-say>

Smart Healthcare - Security Challenges



Selected Smart Healthcare Security/Privacy Challenges

Data Eavesdropping

Data Confidentiality

Data Privacy

Data Integrity

Identity Threats

Unique Identification

Personal Privacy

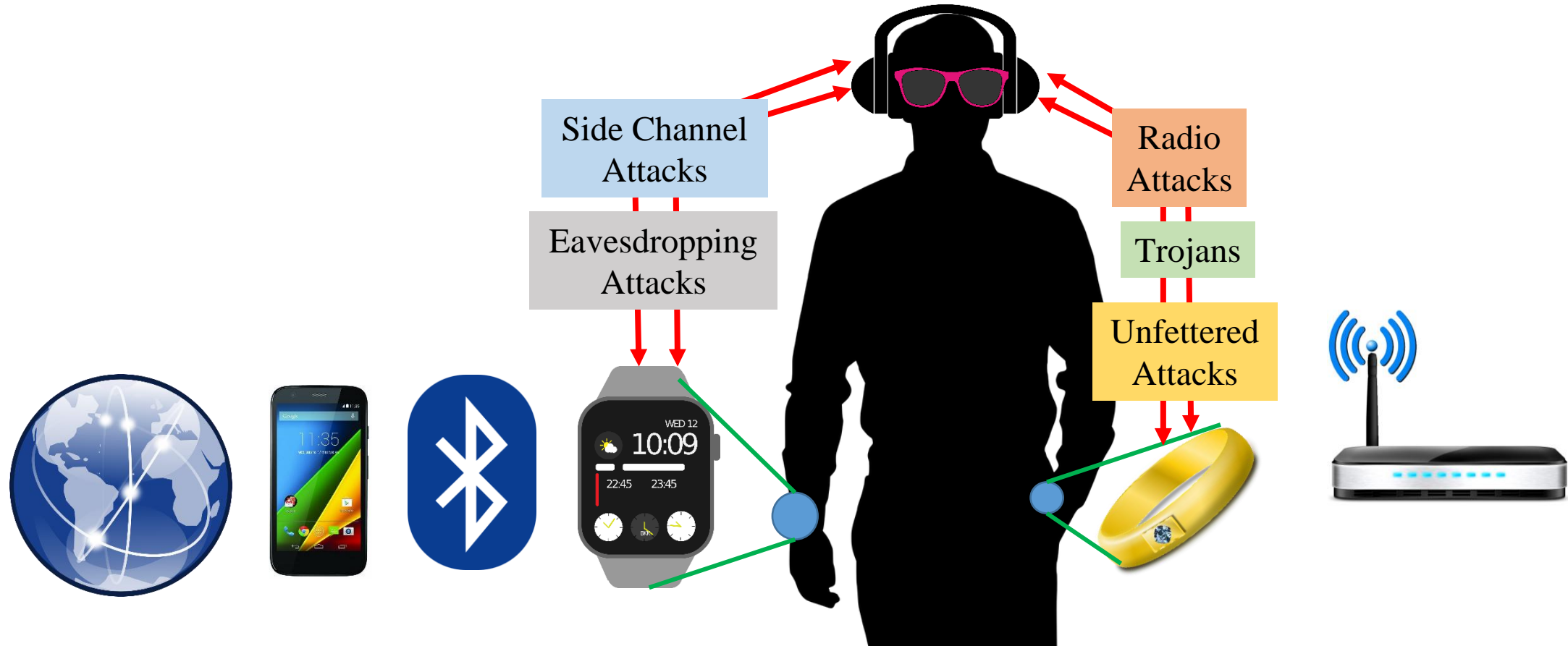
Location Privacy

Access Control

Device Security

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Attacks on Wearable Devices



Implantable Medical Devices - Attacks



- The vulnerabilities affect implantable cardiac devices and the external equipment used to communicate with them.
- The devices emit RF signals that can be detected up to several meters from the body.
- A malicious individual nearby could conceivably hack into the signal to jam it, alter it, or snoop on it.

Source: Emily Waltz, Can "Internet-of-Body" Thwart Cyber Attacks on Implanted Medical Devices?, *IEEE Spectrum*, 28 Mar 2019, <https://spectrum.ieee.org/the-human-os/biomedical/devices/thwart-cyber-attacks-on-implanted-medical-devices.amp.html>.

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



AI can be fooled by fake data



AI can create fake data (Deepfake)



Authentic



Fake

An implantable medical device



Authentic



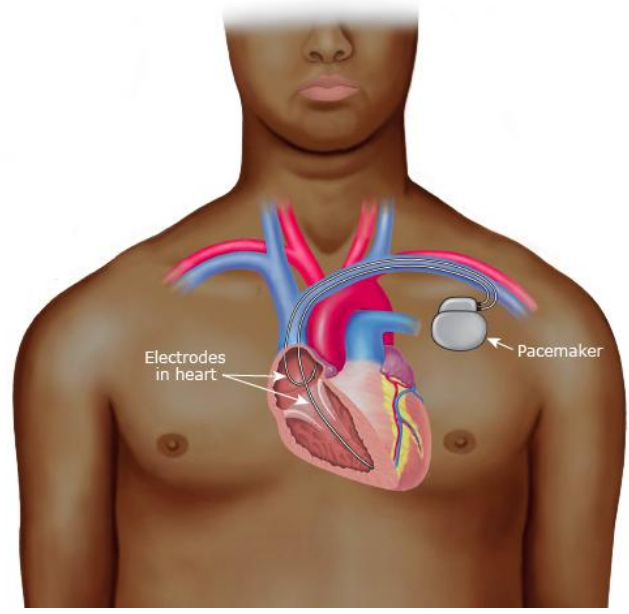
Fake

A plug-in for car-engine computers

Fake is Cheap – Why not Buy?



Is my Pacemaker Authentic or Fake?



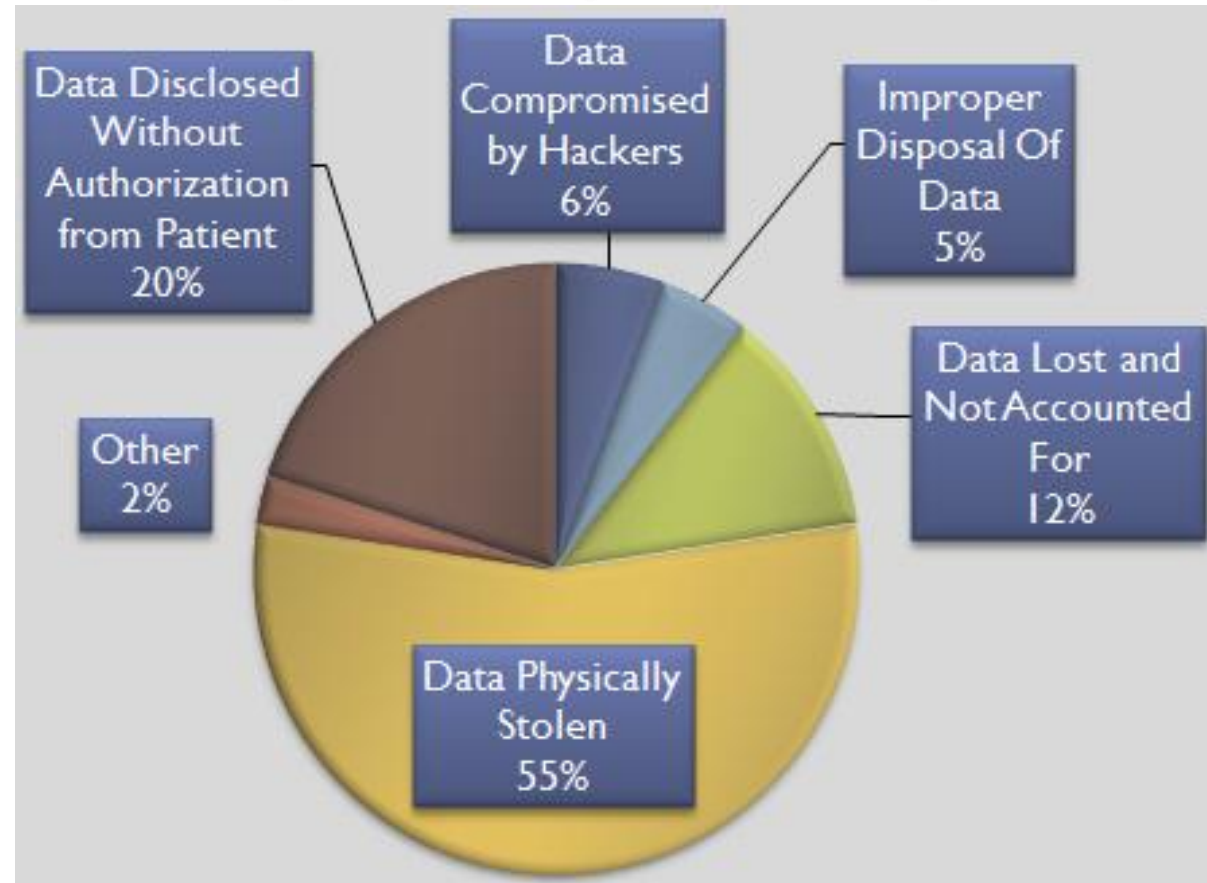
International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation
Asia Pacific Regional Office

THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF FAKE MEDICINE

- Increased mortality and morbidity
- Development of drug resistance
- Increase the chance of adverse effects
- Loss of confidence in health systems and health workers
- Undermining of drug research and development
- Crowding out of legitimate drug manufacturers
- Decreased willingness of patients to accept treatment
- Economic loss for patients and health systems

Source: <https://apro.ipssf.org/>

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

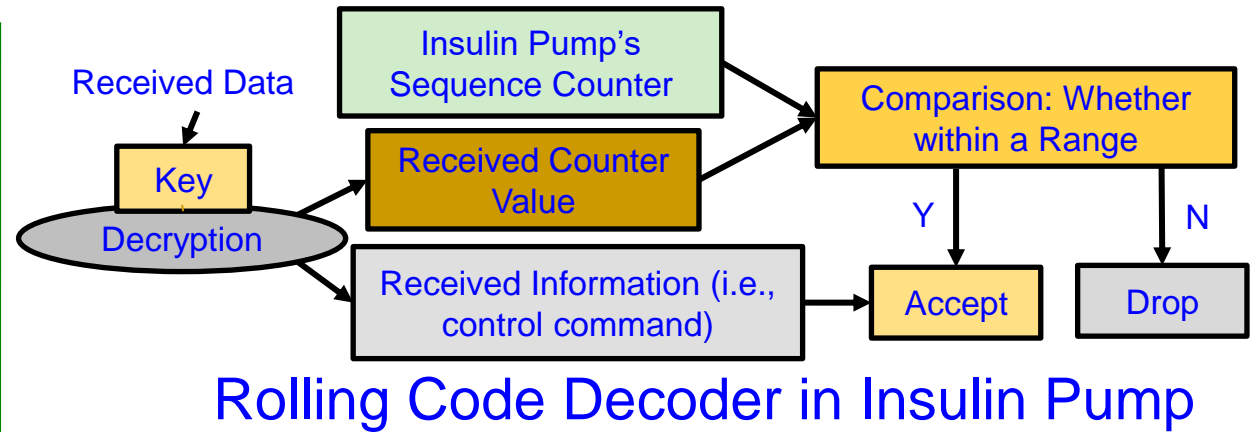
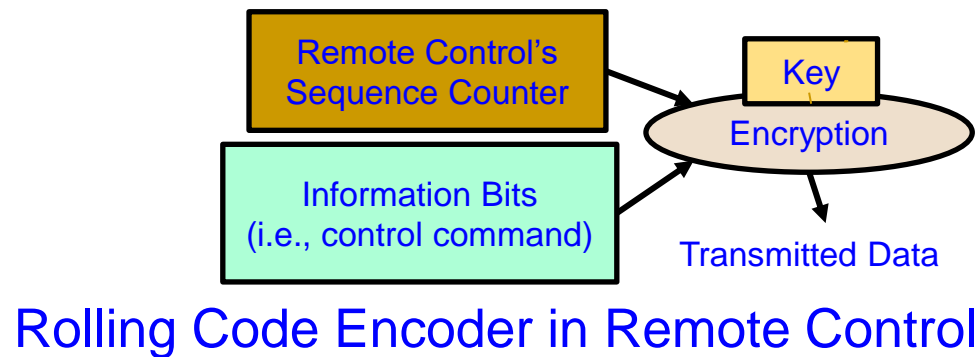
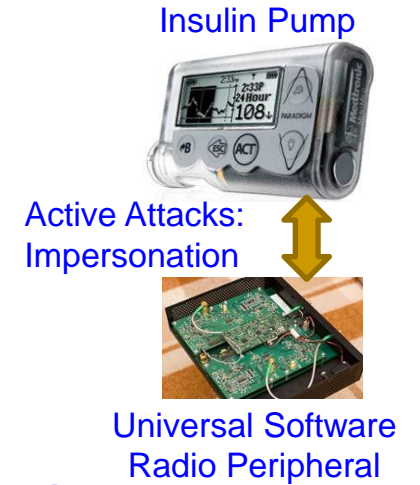
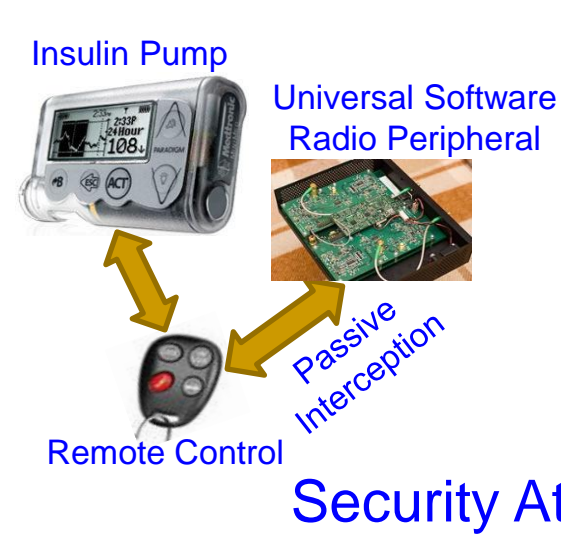
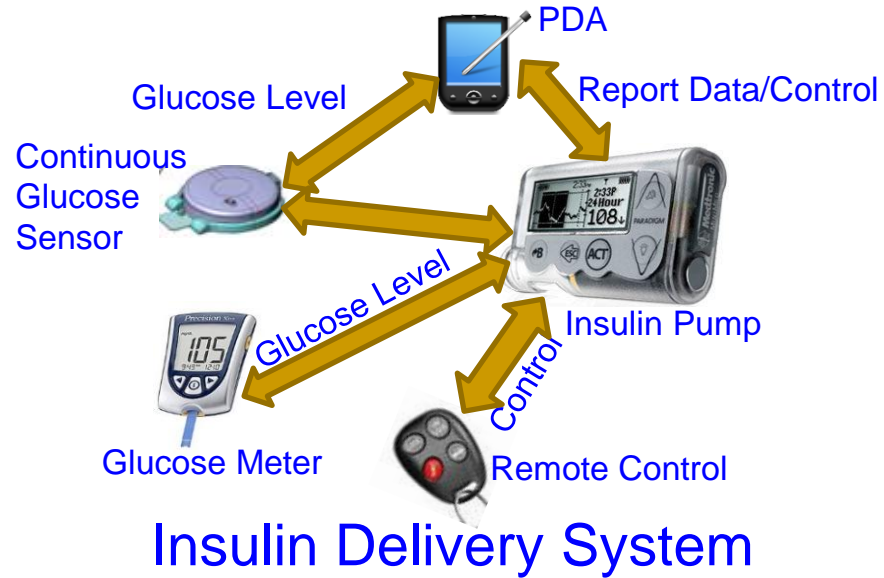


HIPPA Privacy Violation by Types

Cybrsecurity Solution for IoT/CPS

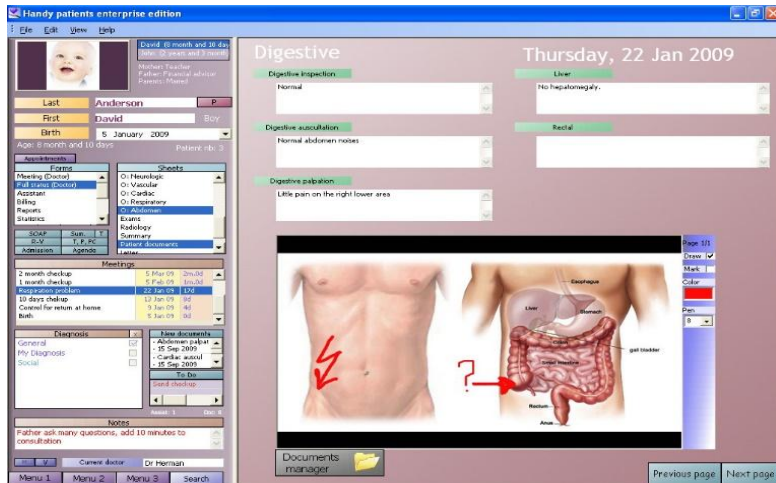
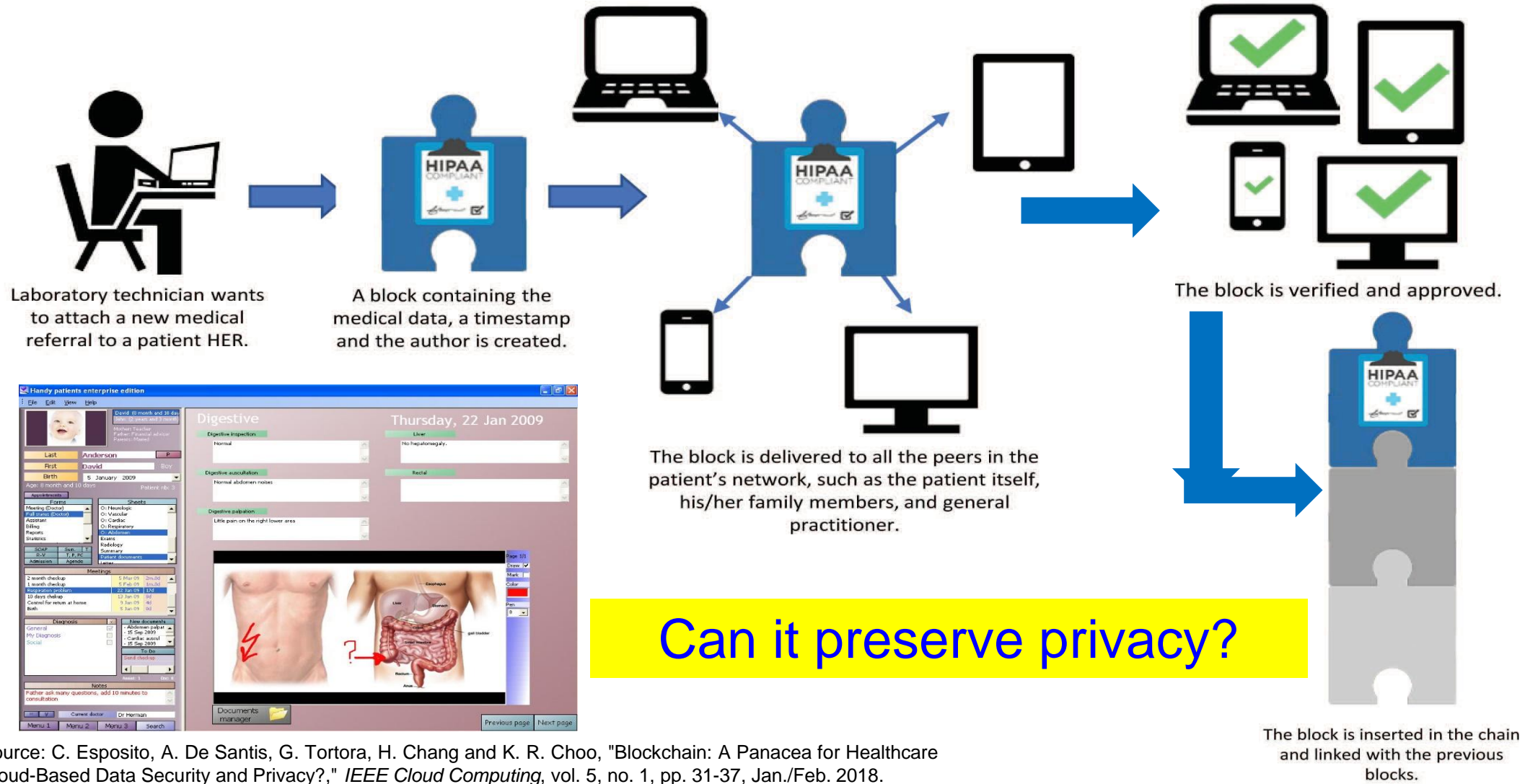


Smart Healthcare Cybersecurity



Source: Li and Jha 2011: HEALTH 2011

Blockchain in Smart Healthcare



Can it preserve privacy?

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.

Nonvolatile Memory Security and Protection



Source: <http://datalocker.com>

Nonvolatile / Harddrive Storage

Hardware-based encryption of data secured/protected by strong password/PIN authentication.

Software-based encryption to secure systems and partitions of hard drive.

Some performance penalty due to increase in latency!

How Cloud storage changes this scenario?

Drawbacks of Existing Cybersecurity Solutions



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

IT Cybersecurity

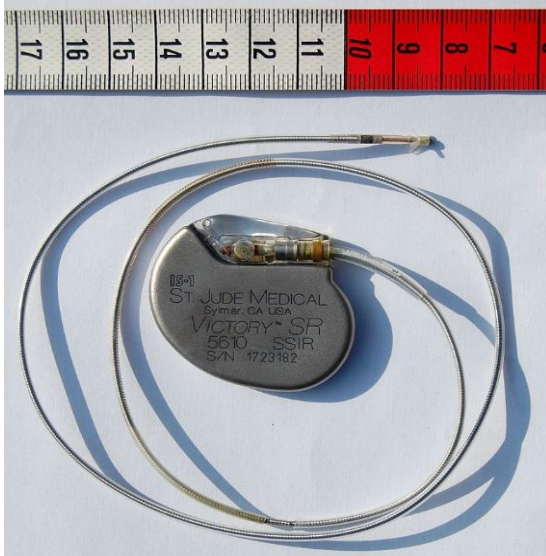
- IT infrastructure may be well protected rooms
- Limited variety of IT network devices
- Millions of IT devices
- Significant computational power to run heavy-duty security solutions
- IT security breach can be costly

IoT Cybersecurity

- IoT may be deployed in open hostile environments
- Significantly large variety of IoT devices
- Billions of IoT 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-Lopez, 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.

Cybersecurity Attacks – Software Vs Hardware Based

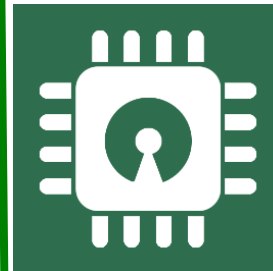
Software Based

- 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

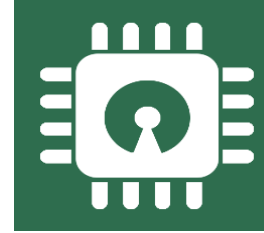
Cybersecurity Solutions – Software Vs Hardware Based

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
- 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 CE systems
- Possible security at source-end like sensors, better suitable for IoT
- Susceptible to side-channel attacks
- Can't stop software reverse engineering

CPS Design - Multiple Objectives for Sustainability



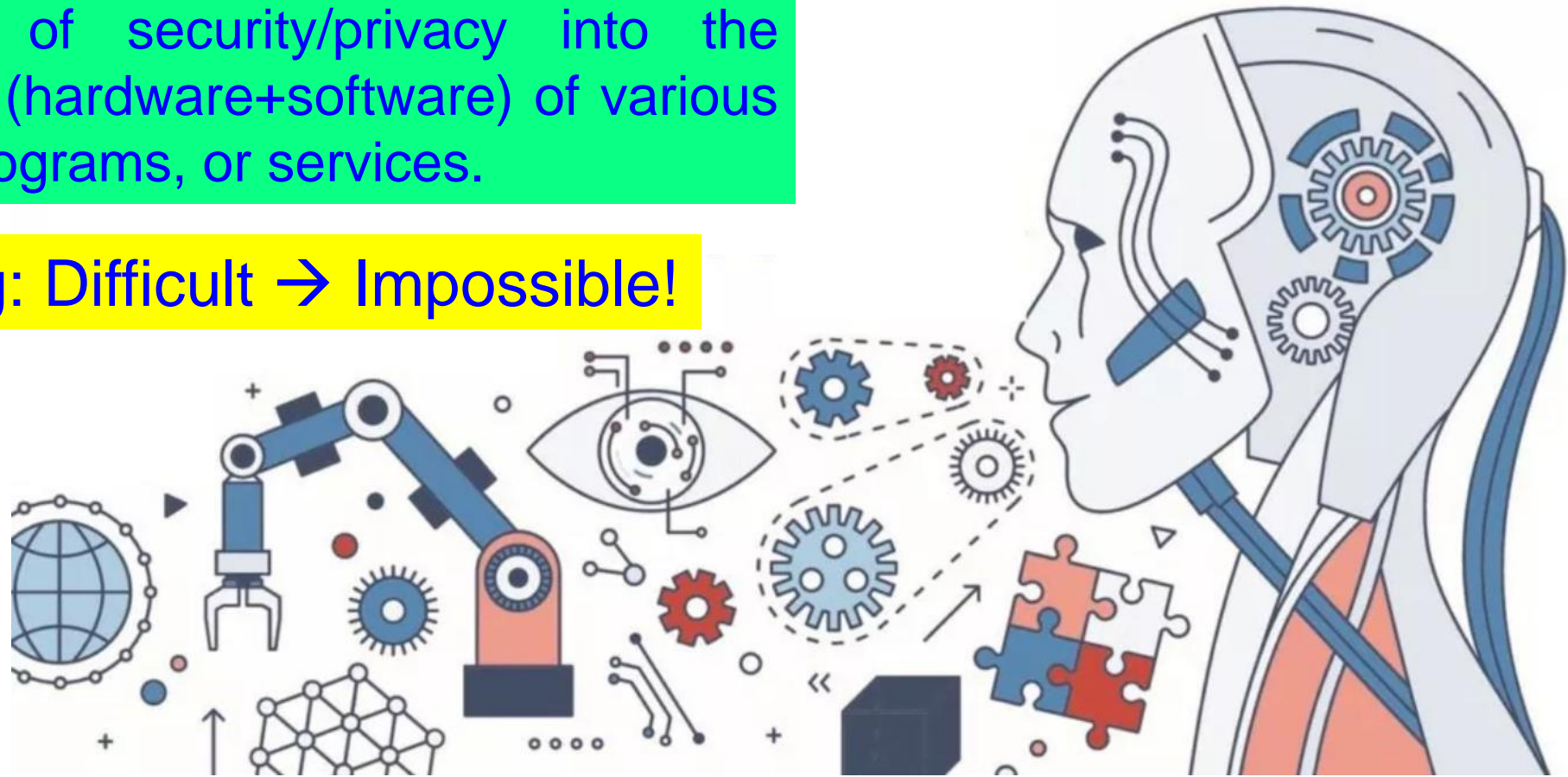
Smart Cities
Vs
Smart Villages

Source: Mohanty ICCE 2019 Keynote

Security by Design (SbD)

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

Retrofitting: Difficult → Impossible!



Source: <https://teachprivacy.com/tag/privacy-by-design/>

Security by Design (SbD)



7 Fundamental Principles

Proactive not Reactive

Security/Privacy as the Default

Security/Privacy Embedded into Design

Full Functionality - Positive-Sum, not Zero-Sum

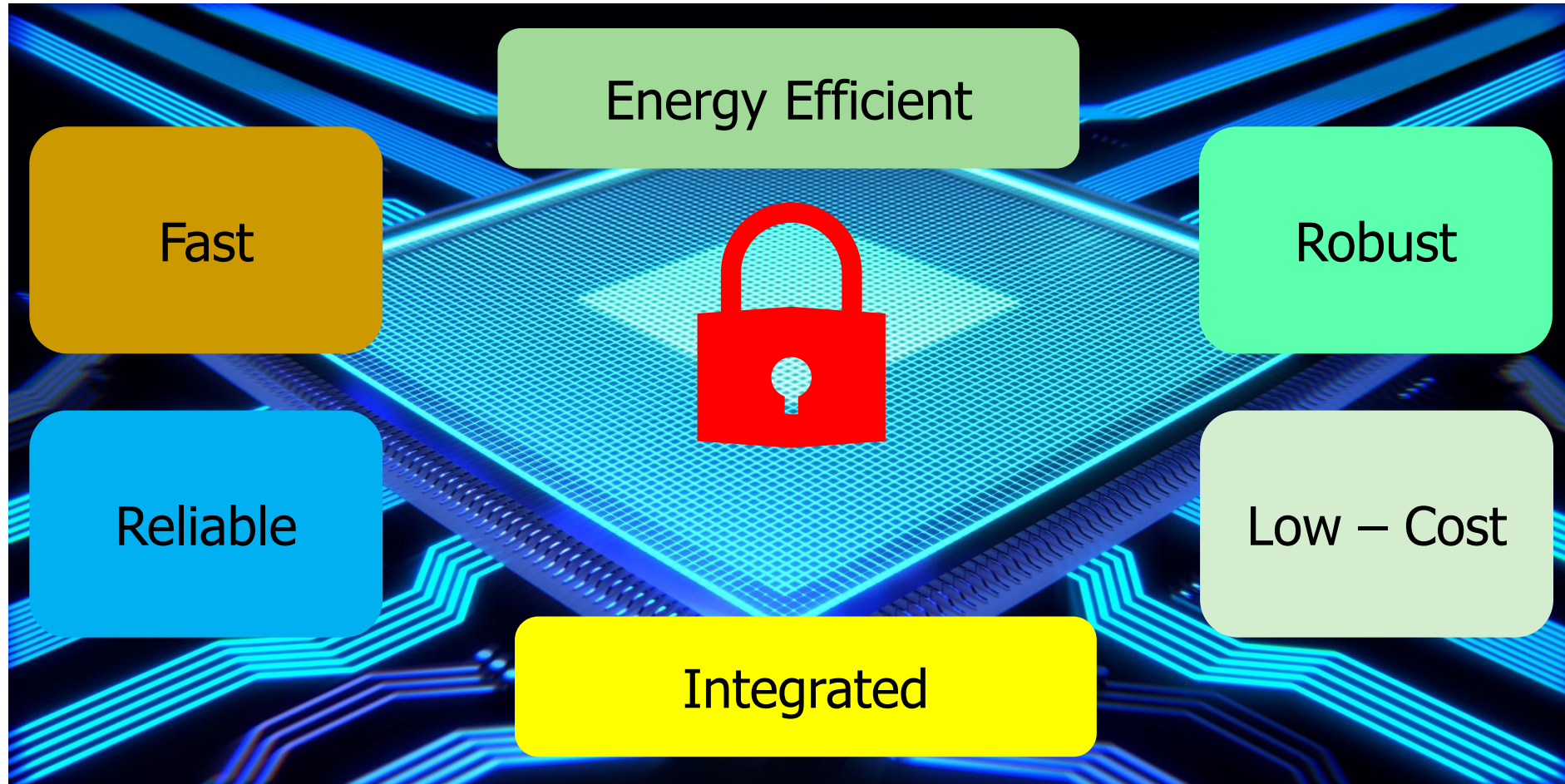
End-to-End Security/Privacy - Lifecycle Protection

Visibility and Transparency

Respect for Users

Source: https://iapp.org/media/pdf/resource_center/Privacy%20by%20Design%20-%207%20Foundational%20Principles.pdf

Security-by-Design (SbD) or Hardware Assisted Security (HAS) - Advantages

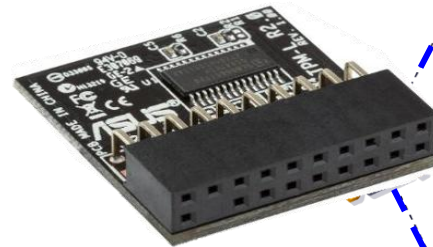


Hardware Cybersecurity Primitives

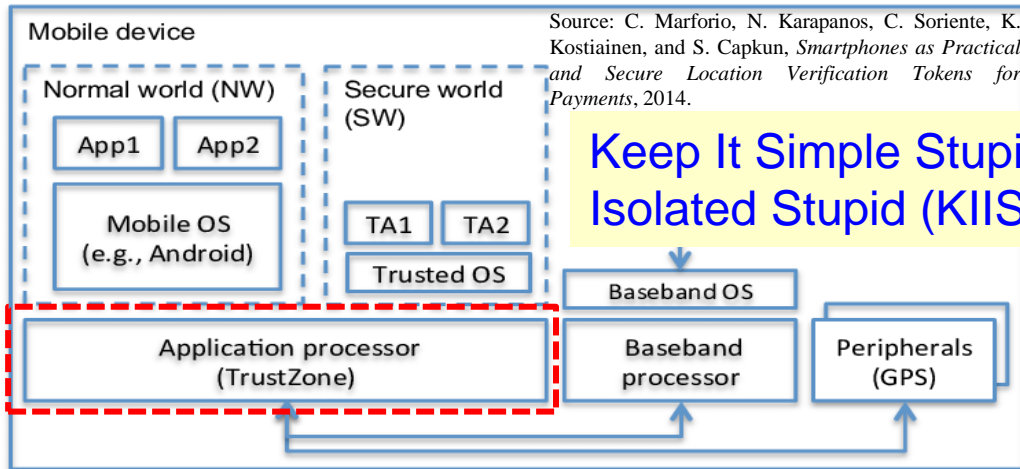
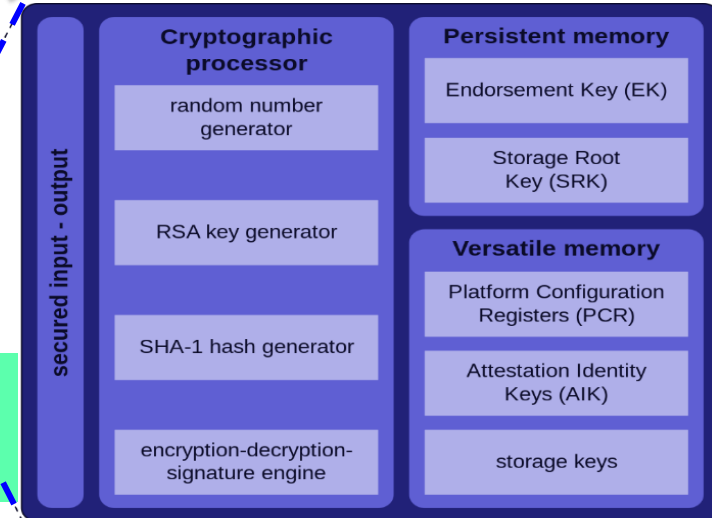
- HSM, TrustZone, TPM, and PUF



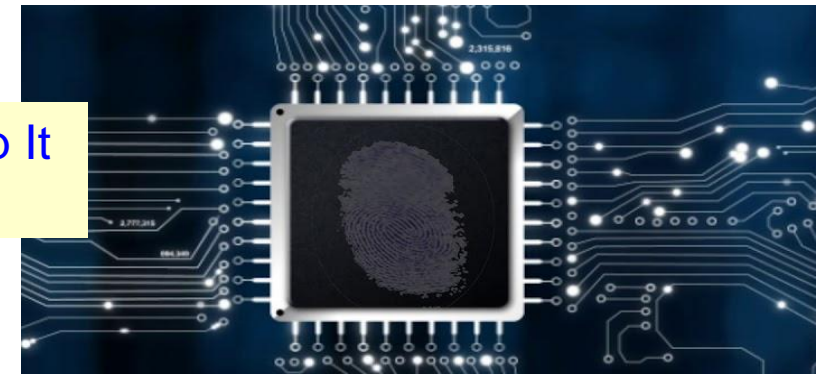
Hardware Security Module (HSM)



Trusted Platform Module (TPM)



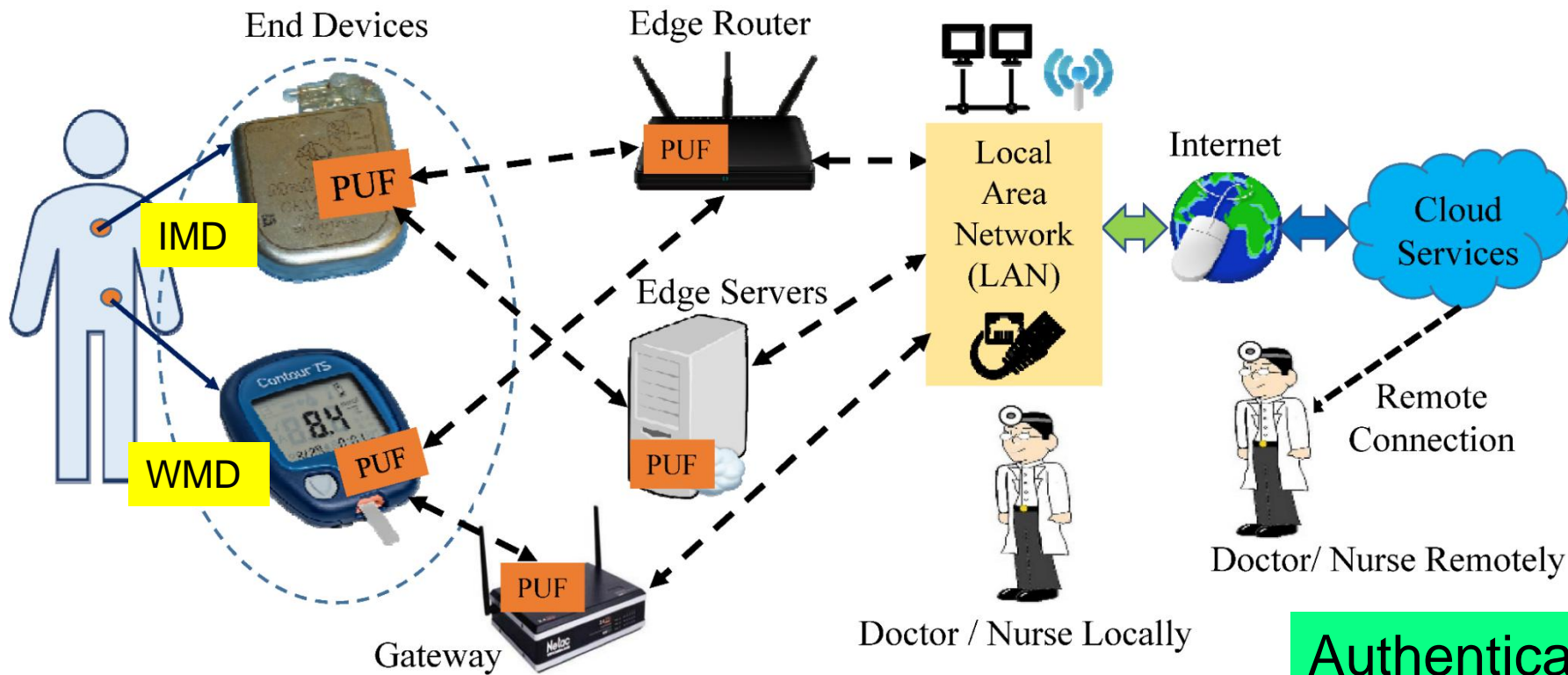
Source: C. Marforio, N. Karapanos, C. Soriente, K. Kostiainen, and S. Capkun, *Smartphones as Practical and Secure Location Verification Tokens for Payments*, 2014.



Physical Unclonable Functions (PUF)

Source: Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)

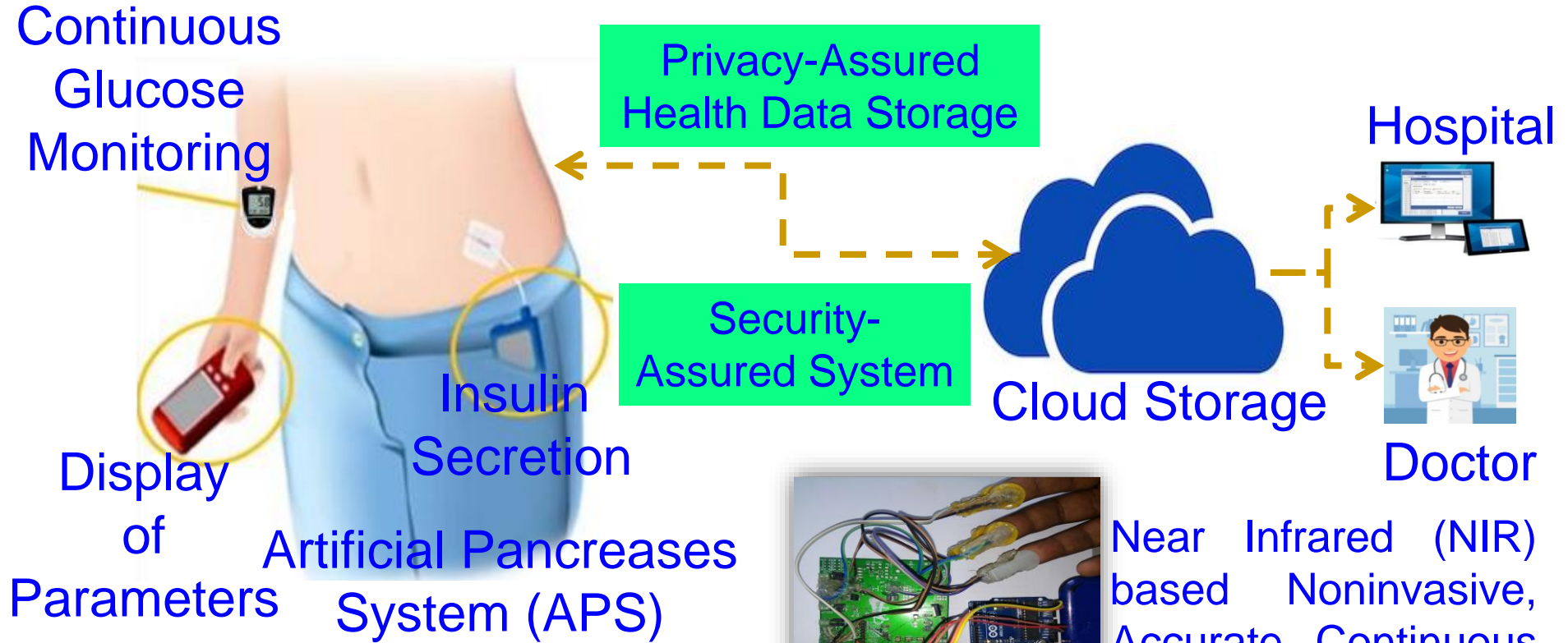
PMsec: Our Secure by Design Approach for Robust Security in Healthcare CPS



Authenticates Time - 1 sec
Power Consumption - 200 μ W

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.

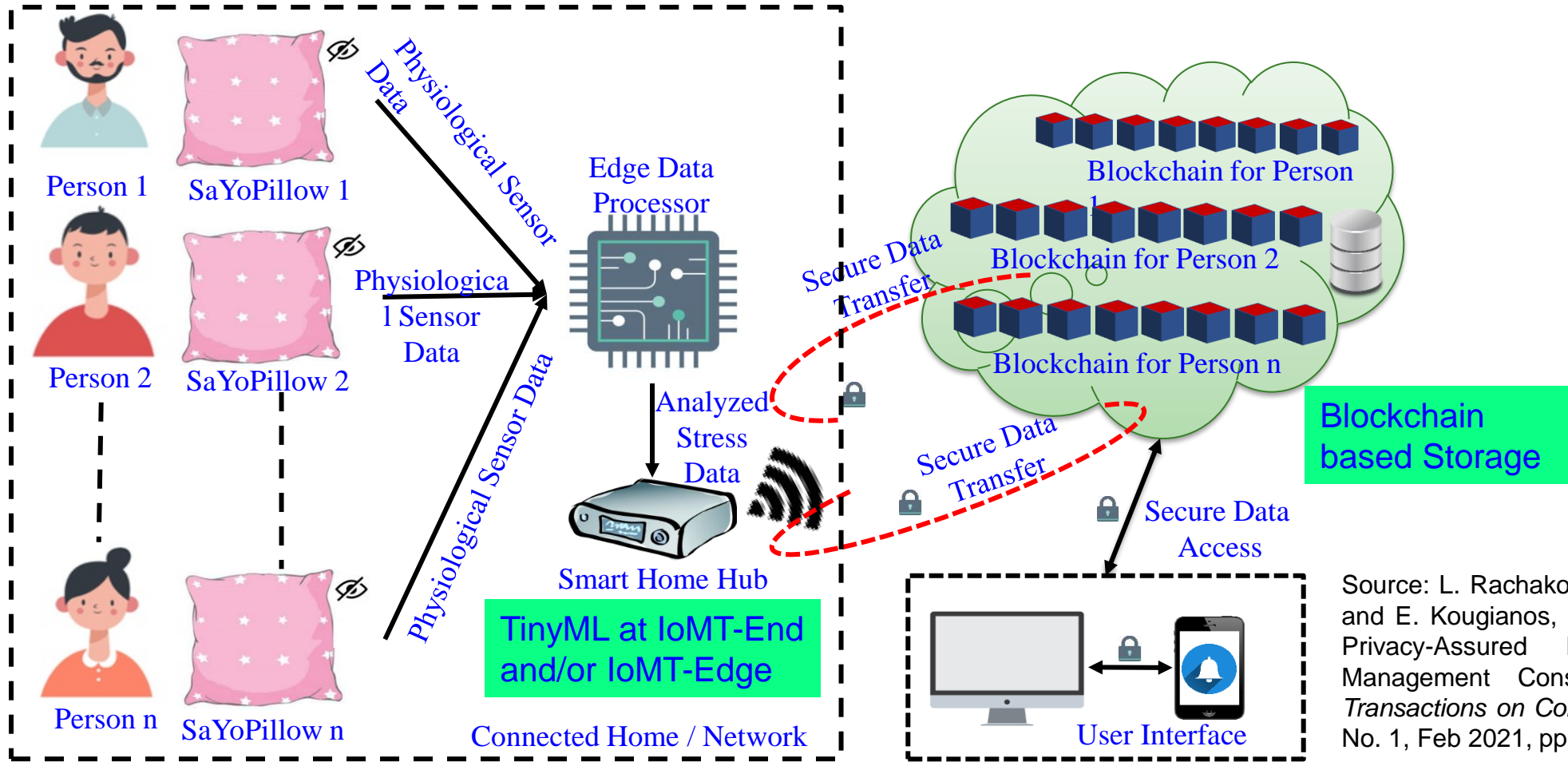
Secure-iGLU - Our Intelligent Non-Invasive Glucose Monitoring with Insulin Control Device



Smart Healthcare (H-CPS)
 → Security, Privacy, ...

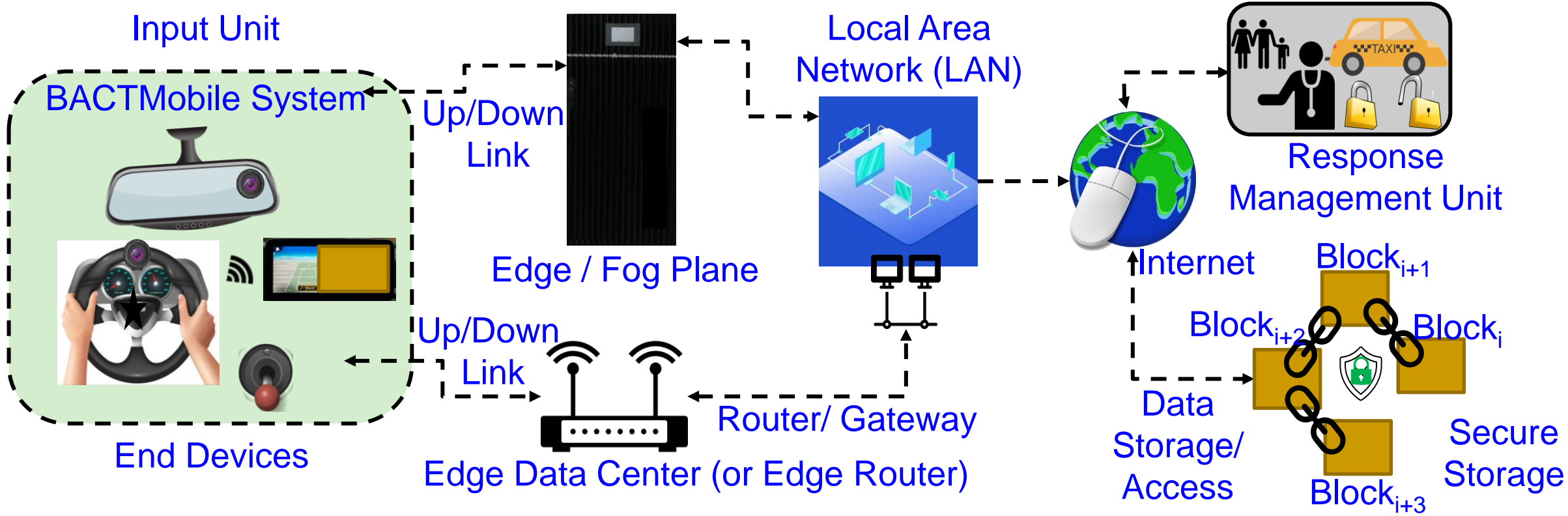
P. Jain, A. M. Joshi, and S. P. Mohanty, "iGLU: An Intelligent Device for Accurate Non-Invasive Blood Glucose-Level Monitoring in Smart Healthcare", *IEEE Consumer Electronics Magazine (MCE)*, Vol. 9, No. 1, January 2020, pp. 35–42.

Our Smart-Yoga Pillow (SaYoPillow) with TinyML and Blockchain based Security



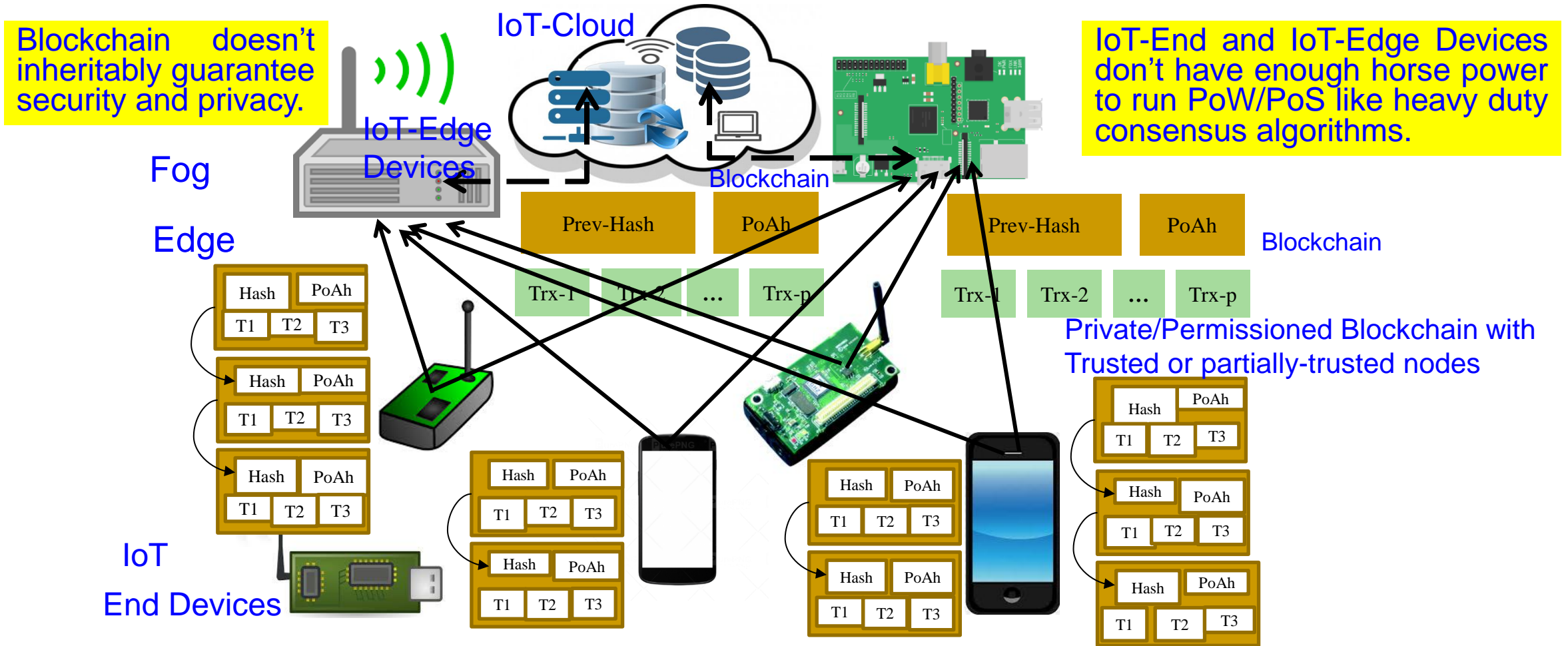
Source: L. Rachakonda, A. K. Bapatla, S. P. Mohanty, and E. Kougianos, "SaYoPillow: Blockchain-Integrated Privacy-Assured IoMT Framework for Stress Management Considering Sleeping Habit", *IEEE Transactions on Consumer Electronics (TCE)*, Vol. 67, No. 1, Feb 2021, pp. 20-29.

Our Smart Blood Alcohol Concentration Tracking Mechanism in Healthcare CPS - BACTmobile



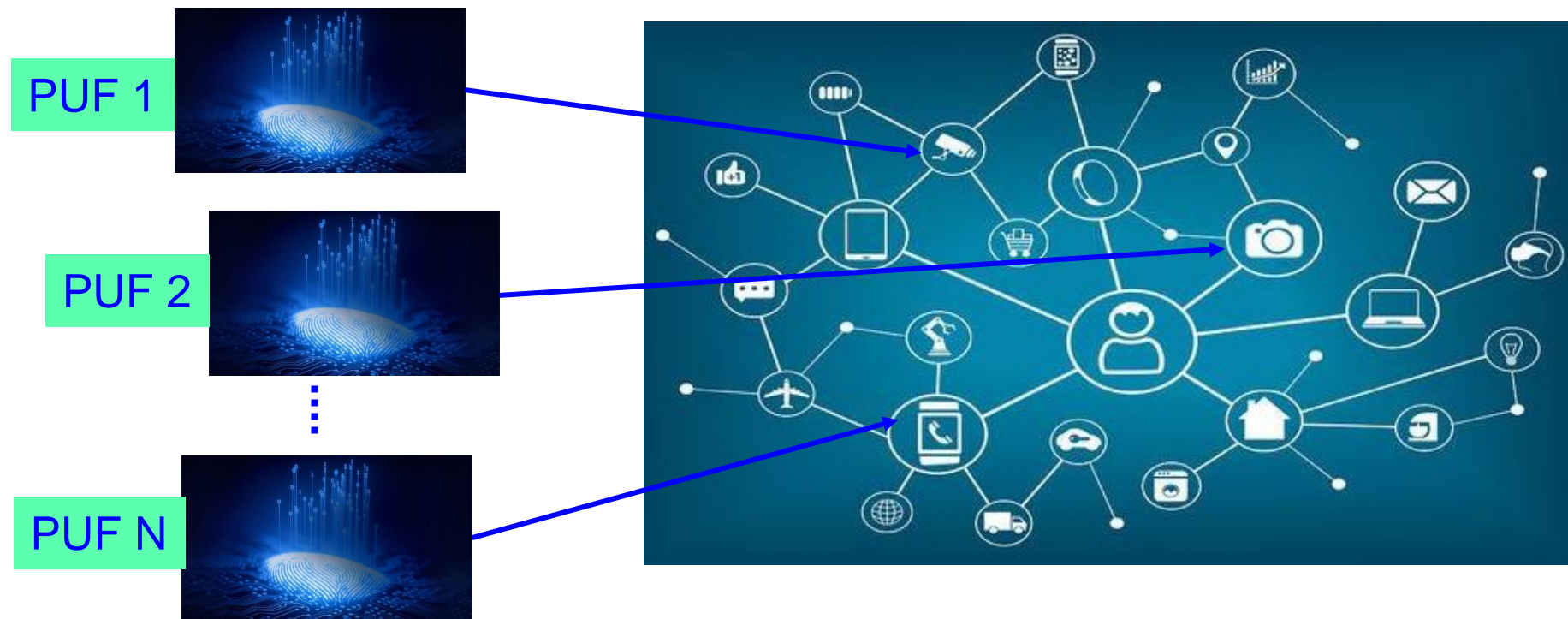
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IoT-Friendly Blockchain – Our EasyChain



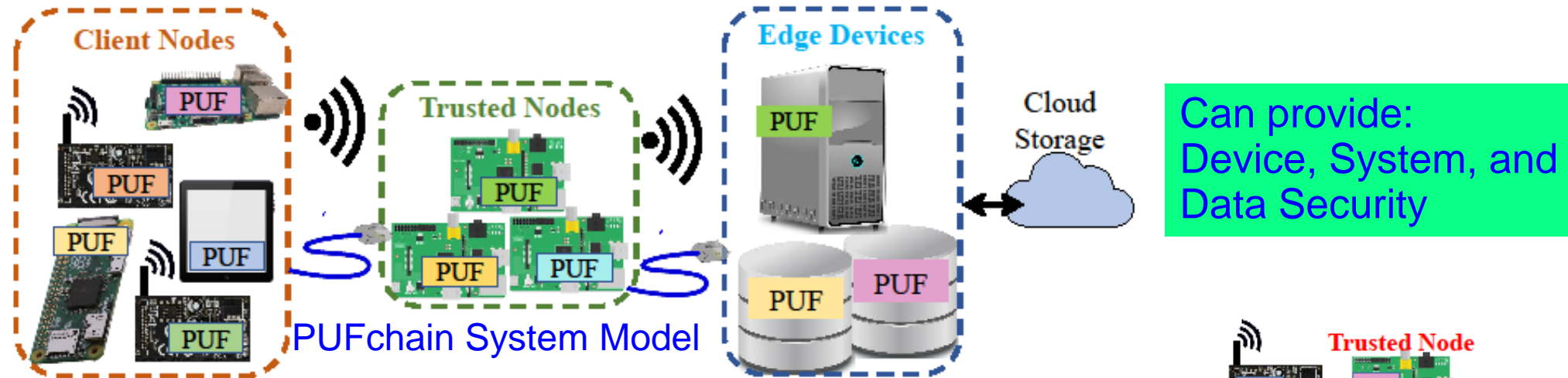
Source: D. Puthal and S. P. Mohanty, "Proof of Authentication: IoT-Friendly Blockchains", *IEEE Potentials Magazine*, Vol. 38, No. 1, January 2019, pp. 26--29.

We Proposed World's First Hardware-Integrated Blockchain (PUFchain) that is Scalable, Energy-Efficient, and Fast



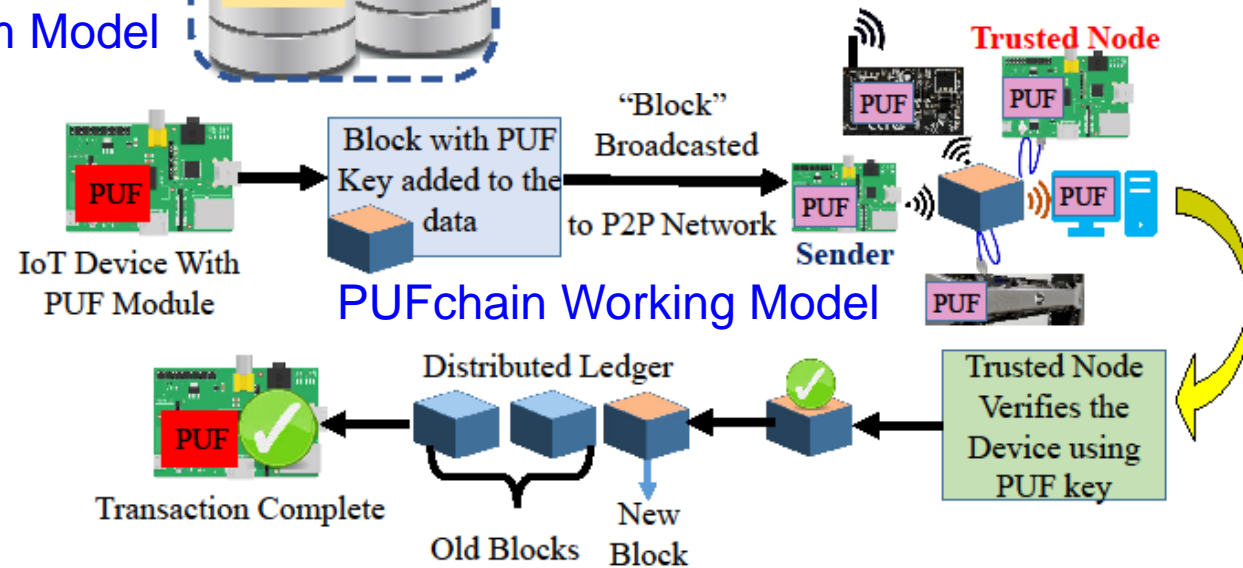
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PUFchain: Our Hardware-Assisted Scalable Blockchain



Can provide:
Device, System, and
Data Security

PUFChain 2 Modes:
(1) PUF Mode and
(2) PUFChain Mode



- ✓ PoP is 1,000X faster than PoW
- ✓ PoP is 5X faster than PoAh

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Smart Healthcare – Trustworthy Pharmaceutical Supply Chain

Counterfeits in Healthcare



The original product:

- sold in a white box with blue borders
- contains sixty (60) 500mg tablets
- divided on four (4) silver blister packs, each containing fifteen (15) tablets

The fake product:

- sold in a white box with no border
- contains sixty (60) 500mg tablets
- divided on six (6) silver with blue blister packs, each containing ten (10) tablets

Source: GA-FDD (Government Analyst – Food and Drug Department) issues warning over “fake” drug on local market,
<https://www.inewsguyana.com/ga-fdd-issues-warning-over-fake-drug-on-local-market/>

Daflon 500 is used to treat gravitational (stasis) dermatitis and dermatofibrosclerosis

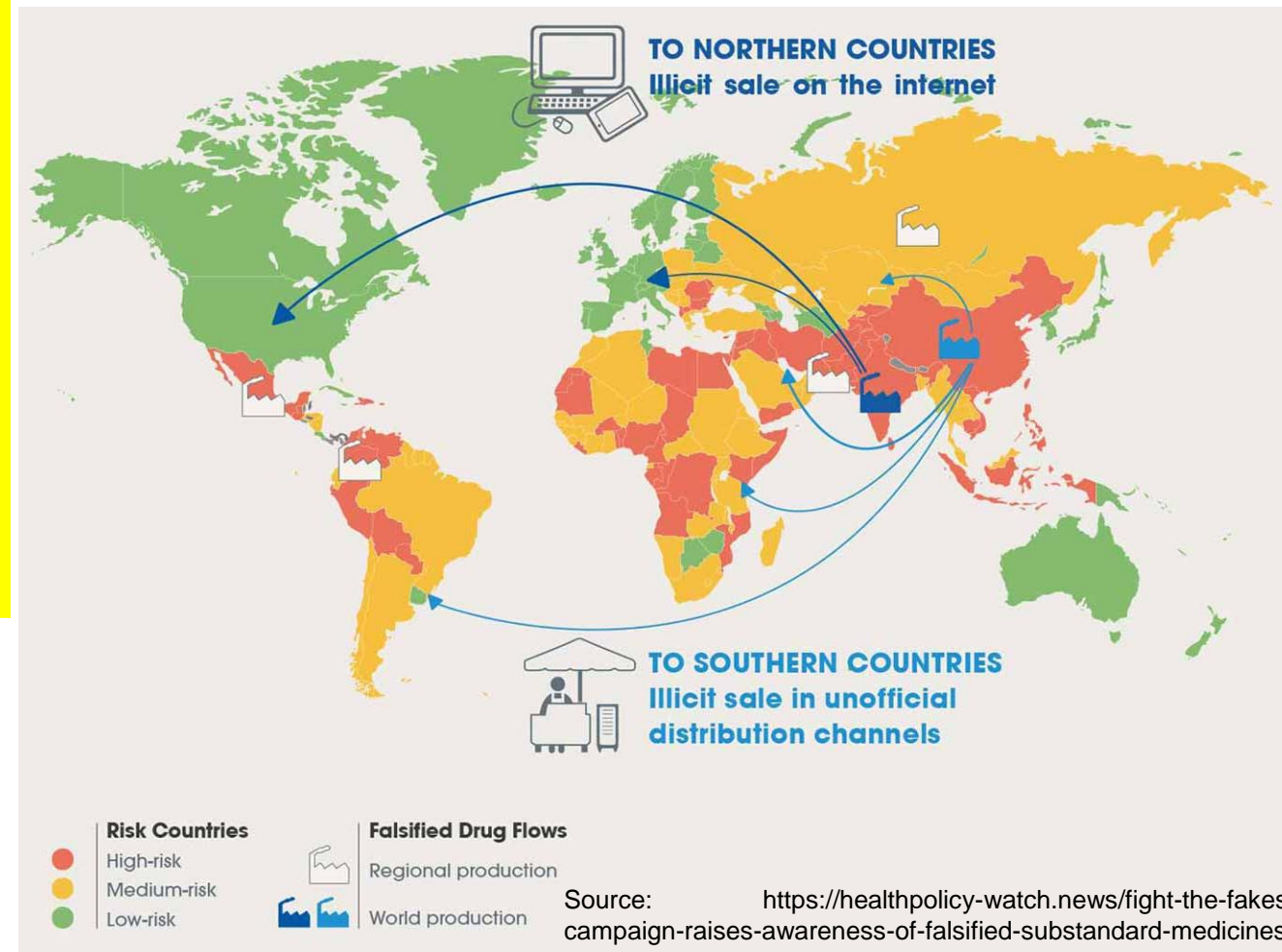
Fake Medicine - Serious Global Issue

- It is estimated that close to \$83 billion worth of counterfeit drugs are sold annually.
- One in 10 medical products circulating in developing countries are substandard or fake.
- In Africa: Counterfeit antimalarial drugs results in more than 120,000 deaths each year.
- USA has a closed drug distribution system intended to prevent counterfeits from entering U.S. markets, but it isn't foolproof due to many reason including illegal online pharmacy.

Source: <https://fraud.org/fakerx/fake-drugs-and-their-risks/counterfeit-drugs-are-a-global-problem/>



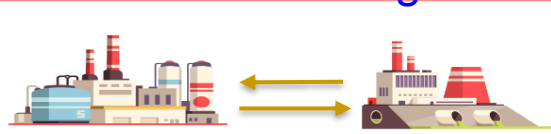
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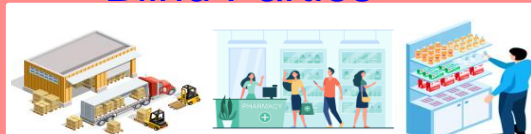
PharmaChain - Counterfeit Free Pharmaceutical

Enterprise Resource Planning

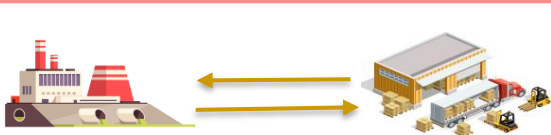
Transaction Ledger



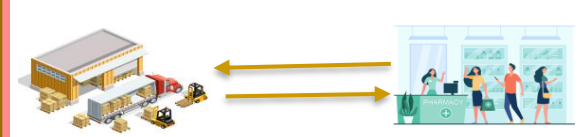
Blind Parties



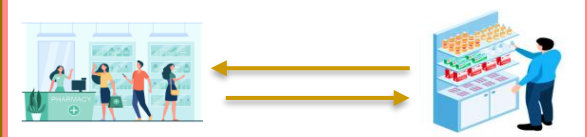
Manufacturer places order and ingredients are supplied



Wholesaler places order from Manufacturer



Transfer of drugs from wholesaler to pharmacy



Prescribed medicines are dispensed to the consumer

Blockchain System

Blockchain Ledger

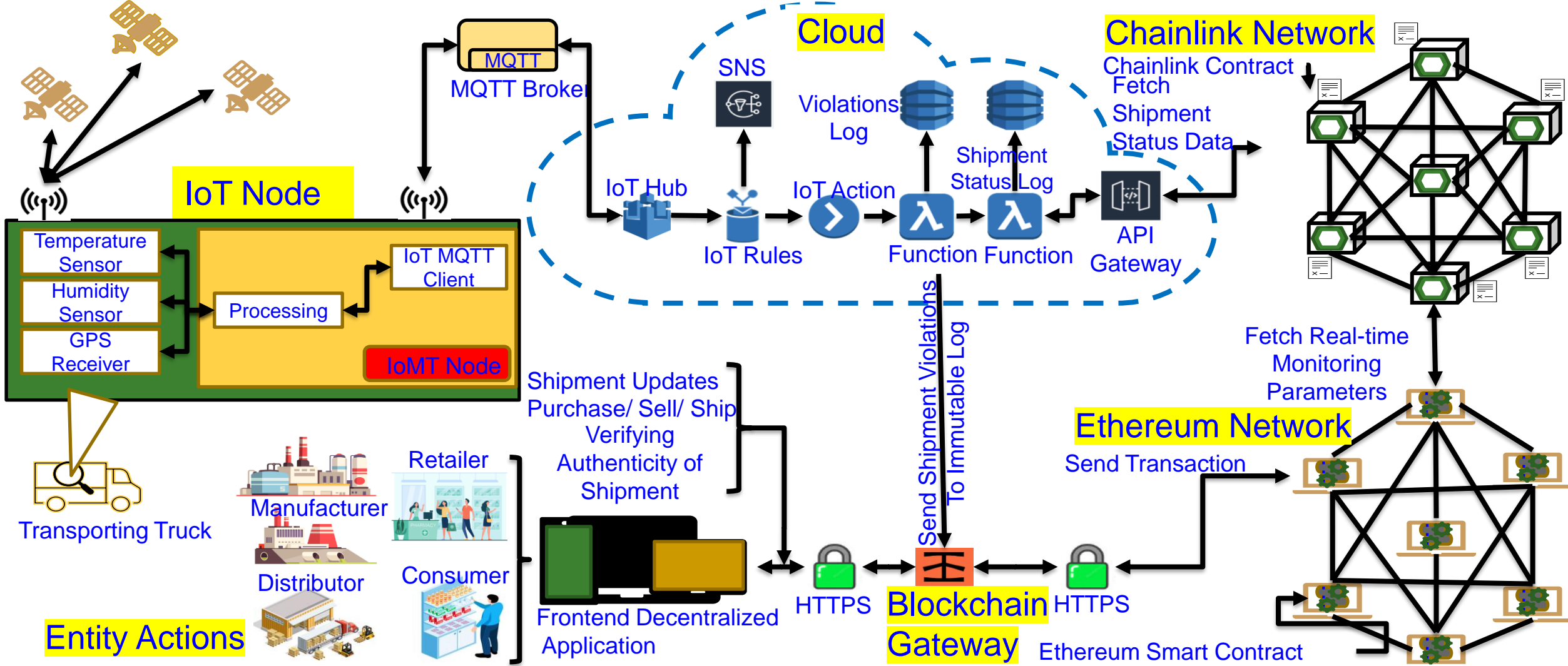


Transparent Ledger



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Our PharmaChain: Architectural Overview

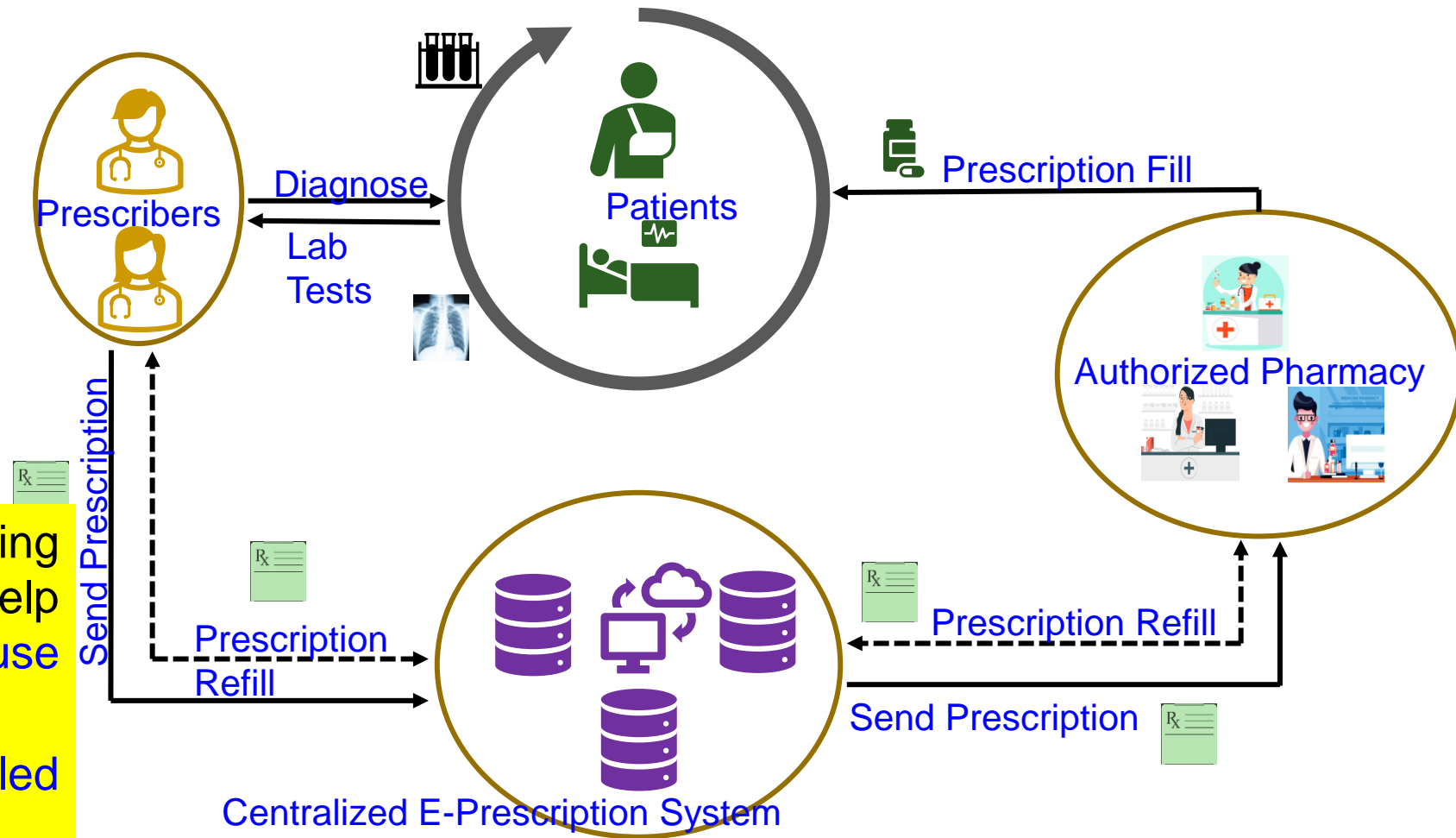


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Smart Healthcare – Trustworthy Medical Prescription

E-Prescription System and Issues

- Single Point of Failure (SPOF)
 - Data Security
 - Privacy Concerns
 - Interoperability Concerns (PDMP)
 - System availability Issues
- Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMP) help mitigate prescription misuse and diversion
 - Oversight of controlled substance prescriptions



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E-Prescription is the Need of the Hour

Prescription Drug Type	Annual Abusers	% Among Rx Abusers	% Among Americans
Painkillers	9.7 million	59.5%	3.43%
Opioids Alone	9.3 million	57.1%	3.29%
Sedatives	5.9 million	36.2%	2.08%
Stimulants	4.9 million	30.1%	1.73%
Benzodiazepine Alone	4.8 million	29.4%	1.70%
All Prescription Drugs	16.3 million	100%	5.76%

Reduced Fraud and Abuse

Blockchain Immutability
Combats prescription fraud and abuse

Enhanced Security and Privacy:

Provides security and integrity of the medical data

Efficiency and Accuracy

Accuracy can be improved to reduce medication errors

Interoperability

Seamless data exchange between healthcare providers

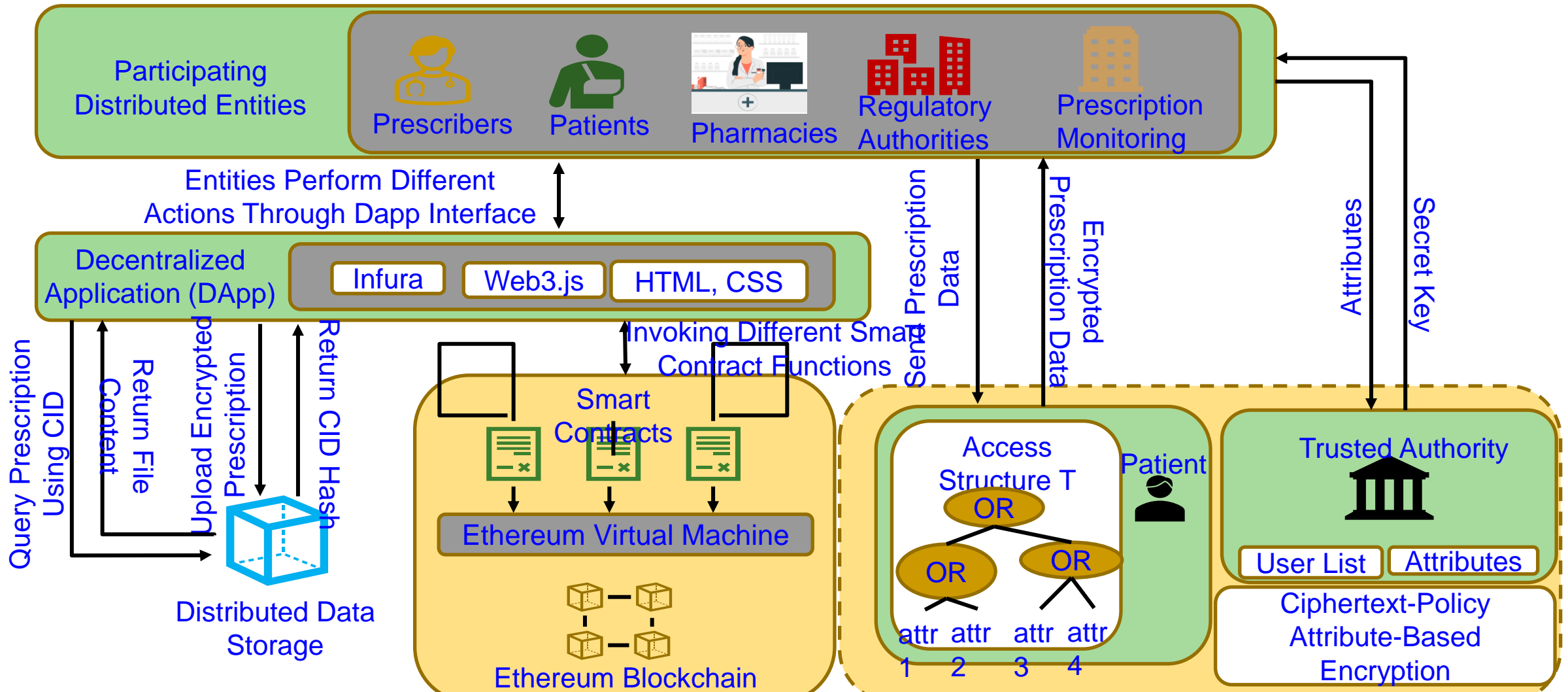
Addressing Opioid Crisis

Prevents misuse and abuse of opioids

- 16M – 6% of Americans over the age of 12 abuse prescriptions in a year.
- 2M – 12% of prescription drug abusers are addicted.

Statistics Source: <https://drugabusestatistics.org/prescription-drug-abuse-statistics/>

Our FortiRx: Architecture Overview



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Conclusion and Future Research



Conclusion

- Healthcare has been **evolving** to Healthcare-CPS (H-CPS).
- Internet of Medical Things (**IoMT**) is key for smart healthcare.
- Smart healthcare **can reduce cost** of healthcare and give more personalized experience to the individual.
- IoMT/H-CPS has advantages but also has limitations in terms of **cybersecurity**; thus challenging to build sustainable healthcare.
- Medical device security is a difficult problem due to resource and battery constraints; thus challenge for sustainable H-CPS.
- Robust pharmaceutical supply chain is important for **counterfeit-free** medical supplies.
- Trustworthy e-prescription is key in H-CPS to ensure safe medication.
- Security-by-Design is critical for IoMT/H-CPS.

Future Research

- TinyML for smart healthcare that can run at user-end (edge/sensor) needs research.
- H-CPS requires robust data, devices, along with cybersecurity and privacy assurance to be sustainable and hence needs research.
- Security of IWMDs needs to have extremely minimal energy overhead to be useful and hence needs research.
- Integration of blockchain for smart healthcare need more research due to energy, computational overheads, and lack of scalability, associated with it.
- Robust Pharmaceutical Supply Chain needs research.
- Trustworthy Insurance Processing in H-CPS needs research.
- SbD research for IoMT/H-CPS application is needed.