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# Testing the Internet of Things

## Test and Verification Solutions

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# What is the IoT?

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- **Wikipedia**

- The Internet of Things refers to the interconnection of uniquely identifiable embedded computing like devices with the existing Internet infrastructure

- **Need to consider the technology**

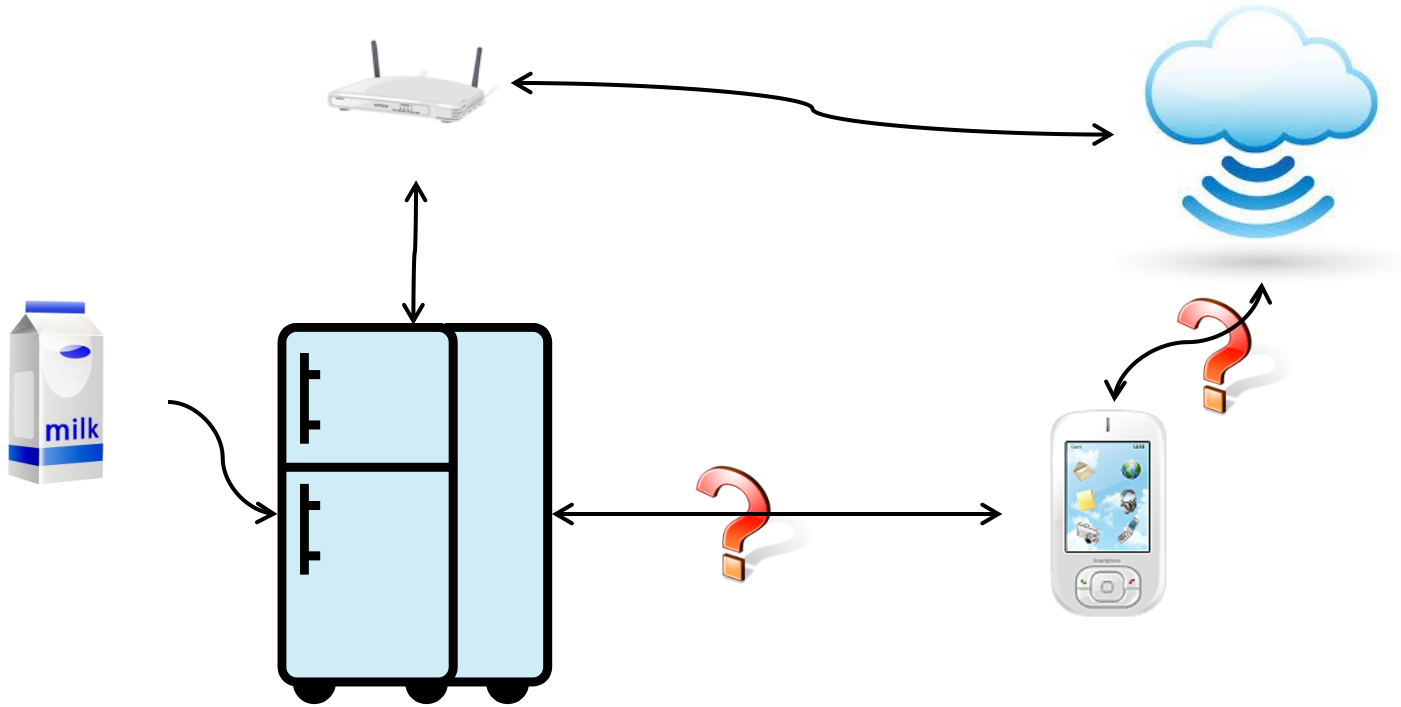
- **But better understood through the applications**

# Technology

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- **Possibly RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) tags + EPC (Electronic Product Code) -> EPCIS (EPC Information Services)**
- **Linked by ONS (Object Naming Service)**
- **PET (Privacy Enhancing Technologies): VPN (not global), TLS (slow), DNSSEC (not adopted globally), Onion routing (slow), PIR (impractical), P2P (maybe), Hypercat (maybe)**
- **Competing standards not yet reconciled**

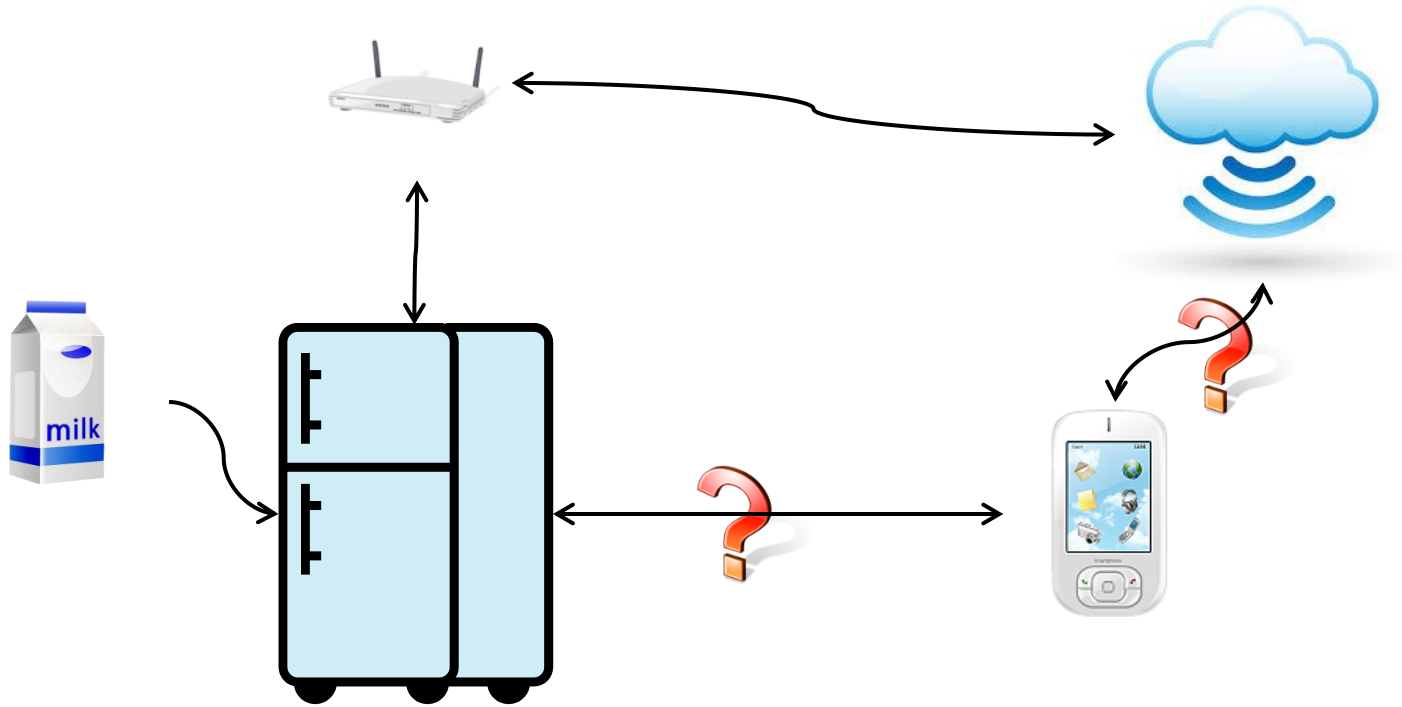
# A simple “well known” application: The Smart Fridge



## ■ Who is involved?

- The milk manufacturer
- The app developer

# Testing the milk bottle



## ■ Responsibility of the manufacturer

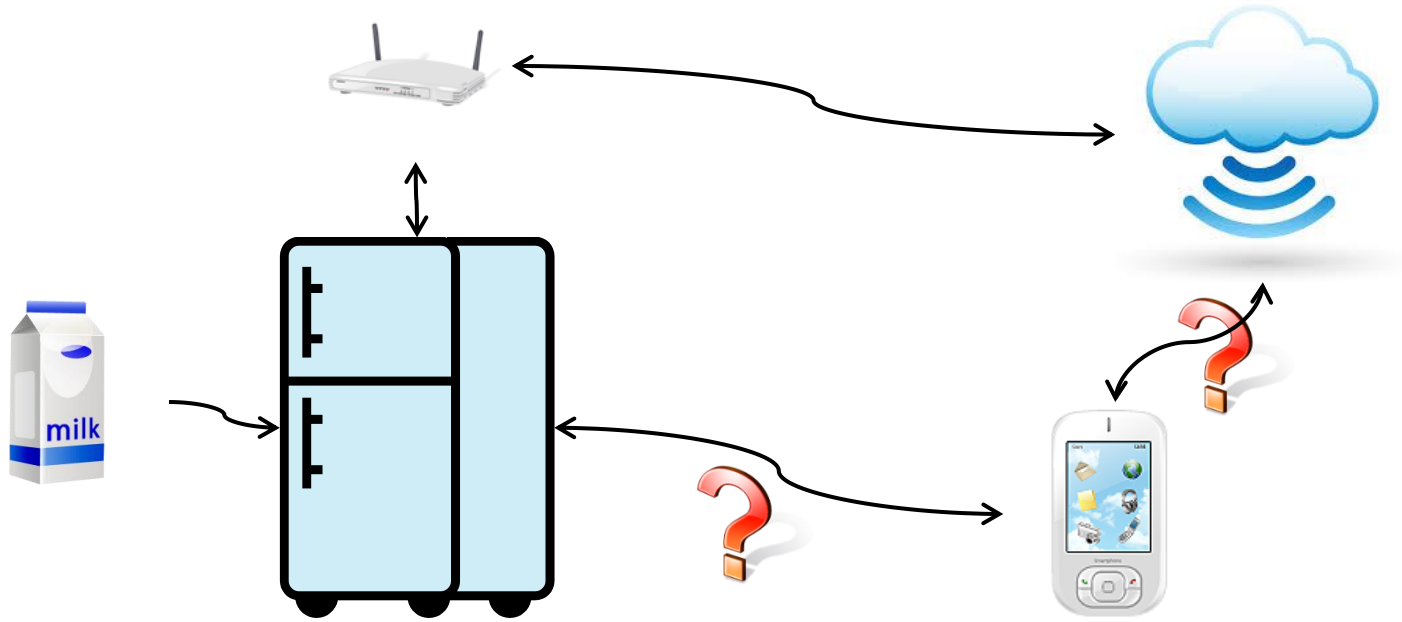
- Ensuring it obeys the protocols
- Ensuring an application can access the required data
- Security

## ■ Responsibility of the app developer

- Errors in the milk bottle interaction
- Data integrity
- Security

# Testing the app

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- **Responsibility of the manufacturer**
  - Anything???
- **Responsibility of the app developer**
  - Usual distributed app functional testing
  - These are autonomous systems
    - So a lot of non-functional aspects to verify

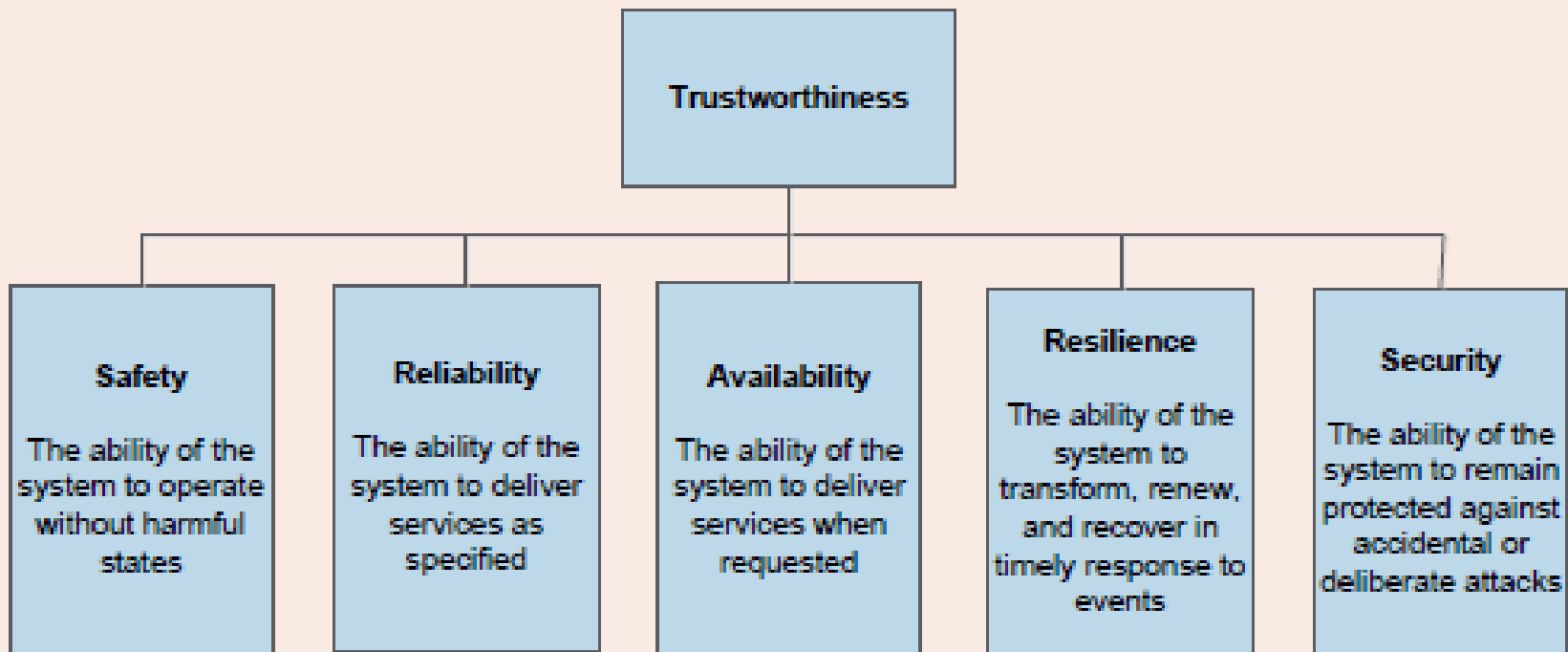
# V&V of Autonomous Systems Software

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- **PAS 754:2014**

- UK Trustworthy Software Initiative (TSI)

**Figure 1** – Facets of trustworthiness



# V&V of Autonomous Systems Software

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- **Traditional structured approach to testing**
  - Unit, integration, subsystem, system
- **But system level testing changes**
  - Noise in the system
  - Discovering boundaries of correct performance
  - Emergent behaviours
- **Facets of trustworthiness**
  - **Safety**, Reliability, Availability, Resilience, **Security**



# Scare Stories?

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- Car was “programmed” to stop in fast lane
- Drone ditches into housing estate
- Criminals steal Amazon deliveries
- Disappearing cars – cars drive themselves into arms of thieves

Toyota Prius cars that are being recalled to fix a hybrid control unit glitch that can cause the cars to automatically shut down and enter a limp-home failsafe mode

**Online marketplace eBay is forcing users to change their passwords after a cyber-attack compromised its systems.** The US firm said a database had been hacked between late February and early March, and had contained encrypted passwords and other non-financial data.

# Example Automotive Applications

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- **Passengers using cars services**
  - Accessing wifi, music+videos, time to destination, etc
- **Smart parking**
  - Help to find a parking space
  - Automated parking
- **Augmented Awareness**
  - ADAS (Advanced Driver Assistance Systems)
  - Driver stays in charge
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# Safety Critical Automotive Applications

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# Safety Standards

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- ❑ **IEC61508:** Functional Safety of Electrical/Electronic/Programmable Electronic Safety-related Systems
- ❑ **DO178:** Software considerations in airborne systems and equipment certification
- ❑ **EN50128:** Software for railway control and protection systems
- ❑ **IEC60880:** Software aspects for computer-based systems performing category A functions
- ❑ **IEC62304:** Medical device software -- Software life cycle processes
- ❑ **ISO26262:** Road vehicles – Functional safety

# Key Elements

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- Plans & Standards
- Requirements
- Design Specifications
- Reviews and Analyses
- Testing (against specifications)
  - Unit
  - Software Integration
  - Software System
- Test Coverage Criteria
- Traceability
- Independence

## ■ Dynamic analysis and testing

Technique	SIL 1	SIL 2	SIL 3	SIL 4
Structural test coverage (entry points) 100%	HR	HR	HR	HR
Structural test coverage (statements) 100%	R	HR	HR	HR
Structural test coverage (branches) 100%	R	R	HR	HR
Structural test coverage (conditions, MC/DC) 100%	R	R	R	HR
Test case execution from boundary value analysis	R	HR	HR	HR
Test case execution from error guessing	R	R	R	R
Test case execution from error seeding	-	R	R	R
Test case execution from model-based test case generation	R	R	HR	HR
Performance modelling	R	R	R	HR
Equivalence classes and input partition testing	R	R	R	HR

# Is Reliable Software Expensive?

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**40-50% project effort on avoidable rework**

**Extra 50% cost to develop high integrity software**

**Extra 75% cost to maintain low integrity software**

Source: Boehm – Software Management Article 2001

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# Interthreat of Things – The security considerations

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# FUD (Fear, Uncertainty and Doubt)

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- So far there have been very few malicious IoT attacks.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-2384826/Satis-smart-toilets-Japan-hacked-hijacked-remotely.html>

<http://uk.pcmag.com/news/13737/japanese-smart-toilet-vulnerable-to-hackers>

- IoT devices are currently insecure.
- Criminal hackers are usually motivated by money, not publicity.
- When ‘Things’ start processing financial data attacks will become commonplace.
- Updates to deployed ‘Things’ will be infrequent.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-28344219>

<http://www.ducksley.com/2013/12/cia-drone-blows-up-google-driverless-car/>

# Attack Vectors

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- Huge increase in attack surface
- Initial criminal attacks will probably follow known vectors: *Mapping the Objects and Servers; Identifying functionality; Bypassing client-side controls; Attacking authentication, session management, and access controls; Injecting code; Path traversal; Application logic and erasing audit trail; Other users (XSS / XSRF / hi-jack / redirection etc); Exploiting information disclosure; Overflow; Attacking Architecture, servers and source code.*
- Expect massive use of automation in attacks.

# Innovation & Risk

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- **New technology will be closely followed by new attacks, then new defences.**
- **Reduced barriers to entry will create more IoT entrepreneurs and technologists, with no security skills.**
- **Creativity tools will probably be security-lite**
- **Threat assessment will be important.**
- **[https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP\\_Internet\\_of\\_Things\\_Top\\_Ten\\_Project#tab=OWASP\\_Internet\\_of\\_Things\\_Top\\_10\\_for\\_2014](https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Internet_of_Things_Top_Ten_Project#tab=OWASP_Internet_of_Things_Top_10_for_2014)**

# Can 'Things' be turned off?

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(Faraday cages, 'killing' the tag, dissolution of connection)



# Defences

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- **Secure by design**
- **Secure coding practices**
- **Tested for security**
- **Perimeter (network) defences**
- **Secure Technology, Processes, and People**