

***How Secure is Your Border?
An Attack and Penetration Audit***



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Specialization

He organizes, leads, and delivers information protection and compliance projects across highly regulated industries addressing security and privacy controls in balance with operational imperatives.

Background



A proven Cyber Security professional providing insights and recommendations at the CISO/CSO level. Bill's skills and experiences make him a frequent selection for the enterprise engagements facing the challenges of establishing, maintaining and maturing a corporate cyber security program. Bill takes an integrated approach to satisfy customer, business, and regulatory concerns in response to evolving risks. He leverages his management, networking, and systems engineering background to be an organizational catalyst – connecting dots, and establishing relationships critical to effective performance.

Education and certifications



MS, The Johns Hopkins University, Computer Science

BS, Rice University Electrical Engineering

Certified Information System Security Professional (CISSP)

Certified Cloud Security Professional (CCSP)

Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA)

Motivations for a Penetration Test



Timing

Purpose

Pre- Audit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Verify remediations are working• Discover blind spots
Audit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stress test• Operational and response validation
Periodic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Operational readiness• Threat/Risk validation
Adhoc	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Someone thought of it• Hasn't been done in a while

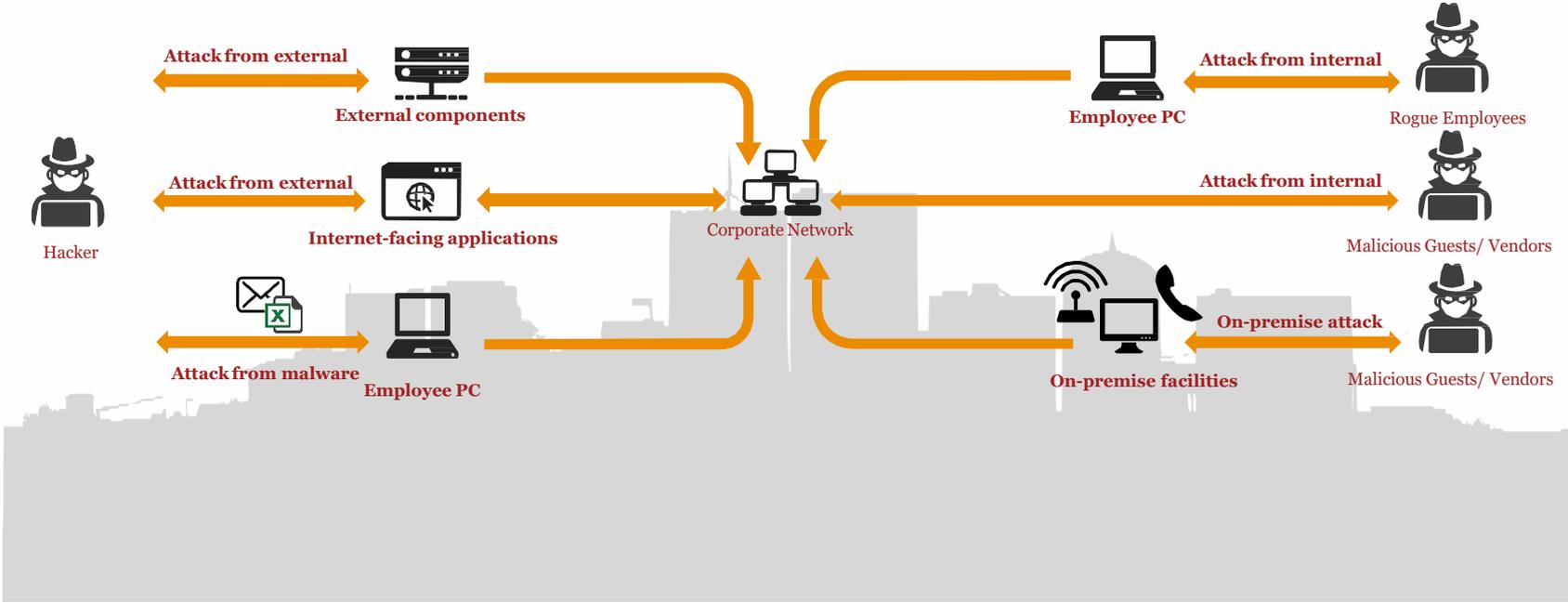


Mindset

- Testing individual/specific controls?
- Assessing integration of controls and process?
- Validating overall security defense and response capabilities?
- Compliance requirement?
- A Board member asked?



So many threats to consider...



Scoping Checklist

External Penetration Testing

Social Engineering Exercise

Internal Penetration Testing

Wireless Network Penetration Testing

Mobile Penetration Testing

Web Application Security Assessment

Red Teaming

External Penetration Testing Approach

Simulating a threat actor external to the organization trying to identify and leverage weaknesses in an attempt to gain access to internal systems and data; assess the effectiveness of detection and response capabilities, and highlight relevant risks.

Reconnaissance:

- Identify potentially vulnerable ports and services
- Analyze externally exposed services
- Generate usernames, passwords and password crack lists

Crack the perimeter:

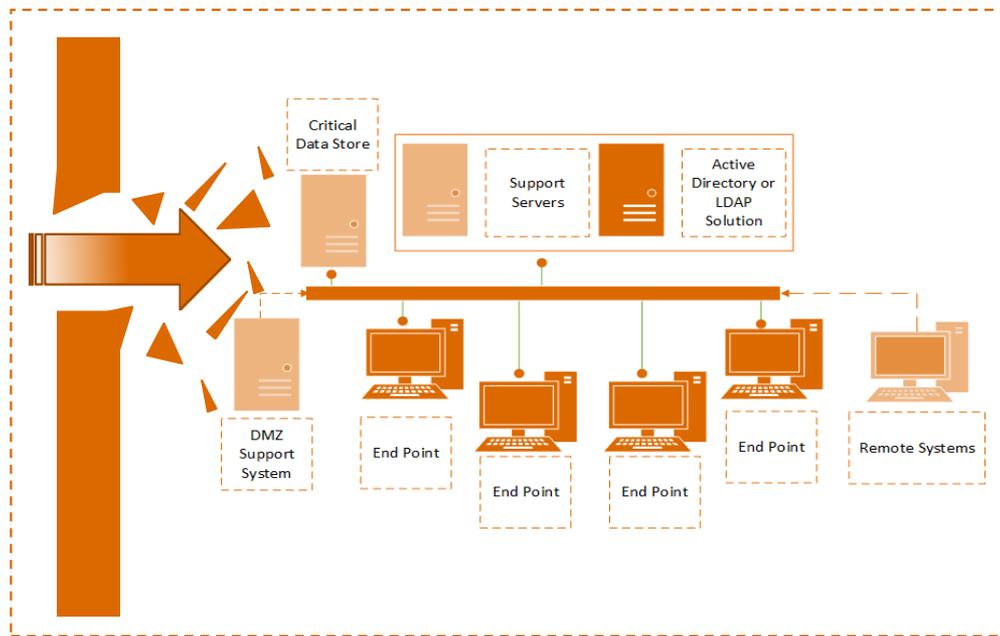
- Password sprays against exposed interfaces
- VPN pre-shared key interrogation
- Default configuration and credential manipulation
- Injection and execution attacks against exposed websites
- Non-standard port attacks
- Service interrogation (SNMP, TFTP, Finger, SMTP etc.)
- Remote Code Execution (RCE) attacks
- Manipulate old, outdated or no longer supported services

Lateral Movement:

- Pass-the-Hash (PtH)
- Native remote access solutions

Gain access to Crown Jewels

- Sensitive data exfiltration
- Establish persistence



Social Engineering

The methodology for engaging in phishing testing can be found broken down in the three steps listed below:

1. The first step in the phishing process involves performing open source intelligence gathering **using publicly available data sources and manual investigation** techniques to gather information on an organization's employees. Following this, a tester provides a list of discovered email addresses for validation. A tester will also propose scenarios that are likely to be successful based on the information discovered and work with any given organization to ensure the proposed campaign aligns with current threats seen in the industry.
2. At an agreed time by the client, a tester will execute a phishing campaign. Possible attack scenarios may include the sending of malicious attachments to employees or enticing users to visit a test website that would collect information which may include employee credentials, system configurations or other data that may allow an attacker to obtain access to sensitive information. This step is designed to **test the effectiveness of both security awareness training and technical security controls**.
3. Finally, the tester will **assess the impact and business risk of the phishing campaign**. The tester will provide detailed information including users who were successfully compromised and the date and time of our assessment activities to be compared to the business' internal system logs and alerts.

1. Assess and Model Threats

Involve using publicly available data sources and manual investigation



2. Intrusion

Design targeted attacks for selected individuals and formulate a phishing campaign



3. Assess Exposures

Assess the impact and business risks of compromise by identifying key sensitive data elements



Internal Penetration Testing Approach

Simulate the threats faced from connected third parties, employees, or contractors who have direct internal network access. Perform manual testing and attempt to gain access to your resources from a standard network connection.

Internal fingerprinting:

- Identify potentially vulnerable ports and services
- Analyze internally exposed services and enterprise traffic

Gain a foothold:

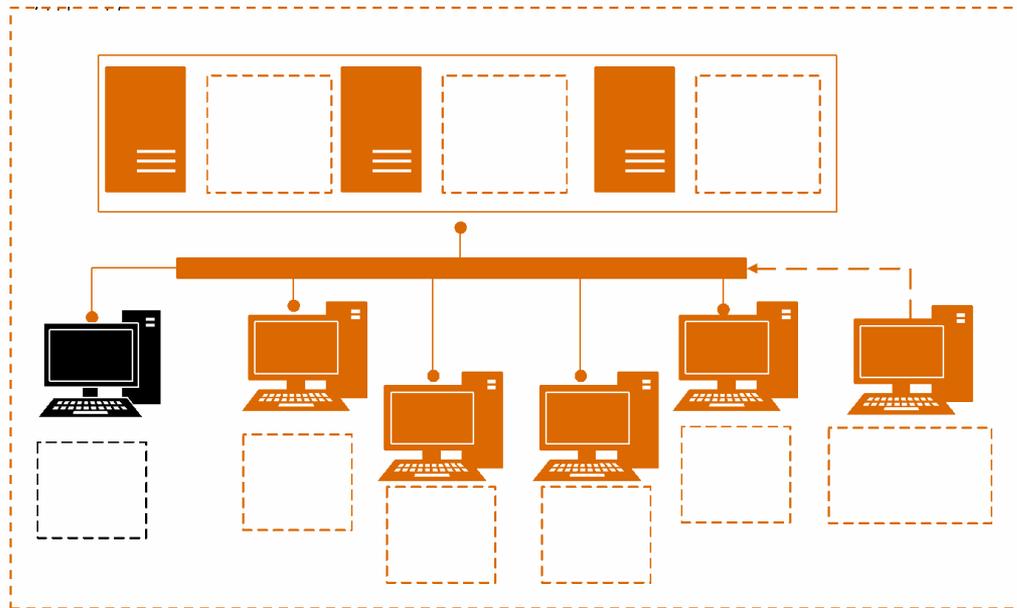
- Man-in-the-Middle (MitM) session attacks
- Web Proxy Auto-Detection (WPAD) poisoning
- Link-Local Multicast Name Resolution (LLMNR) poisoning
- NetBIOS Name Service (NB-NS) poisoning
- Manipulate old, outdated or no longer supported services
- Default configuration and credential manipulation

Lateral Movement:

- Pass-the-Hash (PtH)
- System pivoting
- Manipulation of whitelisted tools and services

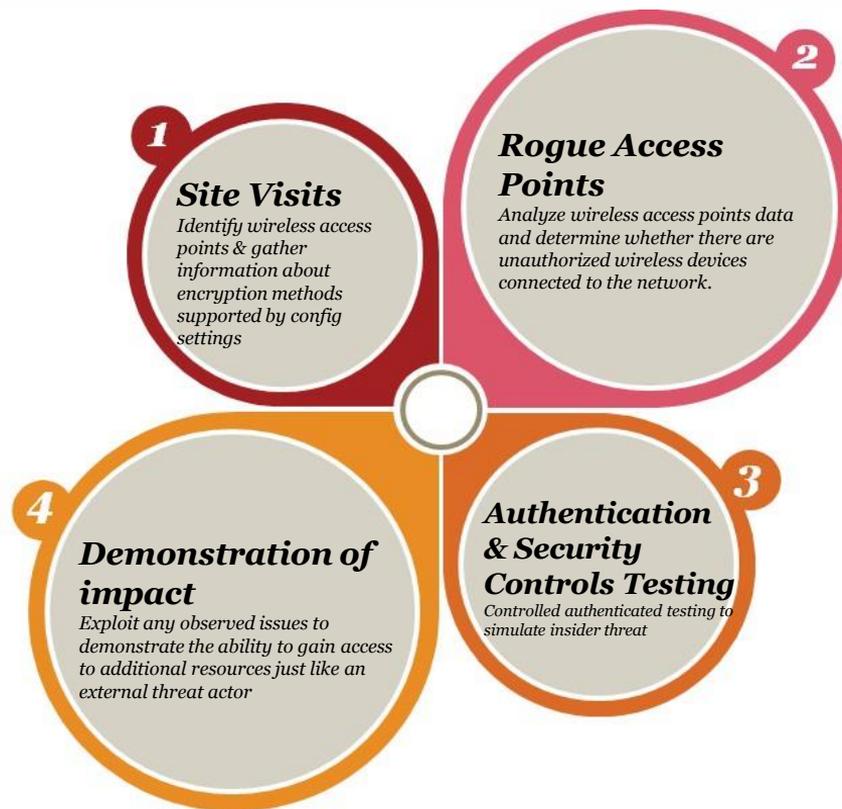
Gain access to Crown Jewels:

- Attempt to gain privileged access
- Attempt to gain access to sensitive data



Wireless Network Assessment and Penetration Testing

Vulnerabilities in your wireless networks may provide access to data, workstations, and other internal systems that are connected to wireless networks.



Mobile Penetration Testing

Reverse Engineering

A tester attempts to reverse engineer the application content to **identify sensitive hard-coded values** that could be used to gain unauthorized access, or to identify potential logic and operational flaws pertaining in the execution of the application.

Network Communications Analysis

A tester eavesdrops on and manipulates network calls to the back end servers supporting the execution of the application. These tests are performed in an effort to **identify common input validation flaws** that could lead to sensitive information disclosure or unauthorized access.

Local Resource Handling Analysis

A tester monitors and analyzes **local resource handling operations** as different tasks within the application are performed.

Run-time and Logic Manipulation

A tester performs various different techniques to manipulate the logic of the application as it is executed on the device, to attempt to **identify risks associated with misuse, data leakage, or unauthorized access.**

Physical Testing

Physical penetration tests are designed to assess an organization's physical security posture based on agreed upon objectives and agreed upon testing scenarios.



Web Application Security Assessment

PwC assesses each of web applications' susceptibility to a variety of attacks including Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) top 10 security flaws:

Automated Scanning

A tester performs automated assessments using industry leading scanning tools based on the application type and access provided.



Manual Testing

A tester performs penetration testing against selected mobile applications using manual testing techniques to identify technical and business logic related vulnerabilities.



Risk Rating

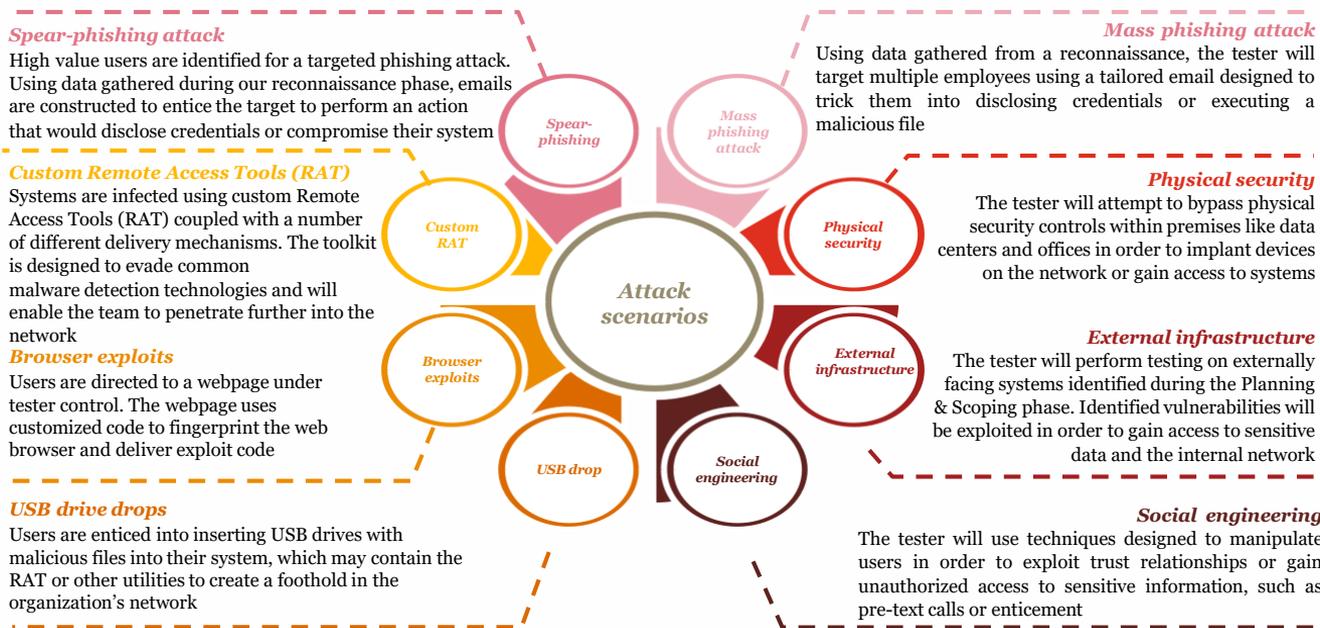
The tester attempts to understand whether multiple lower- or medium-risk vulnerabilities constitute a higher risk rating when exploited together.

- Injection Flaws
- Weak Authentication and Session Management
- Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) Flaws
- Insecure Direct Object References
- Security Misconfigurations
- Sensitive Data Exposure
- Missing Functional-Level Access Control
- Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) Flaws
- Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities
- Unvalidated Redirects and Forwards

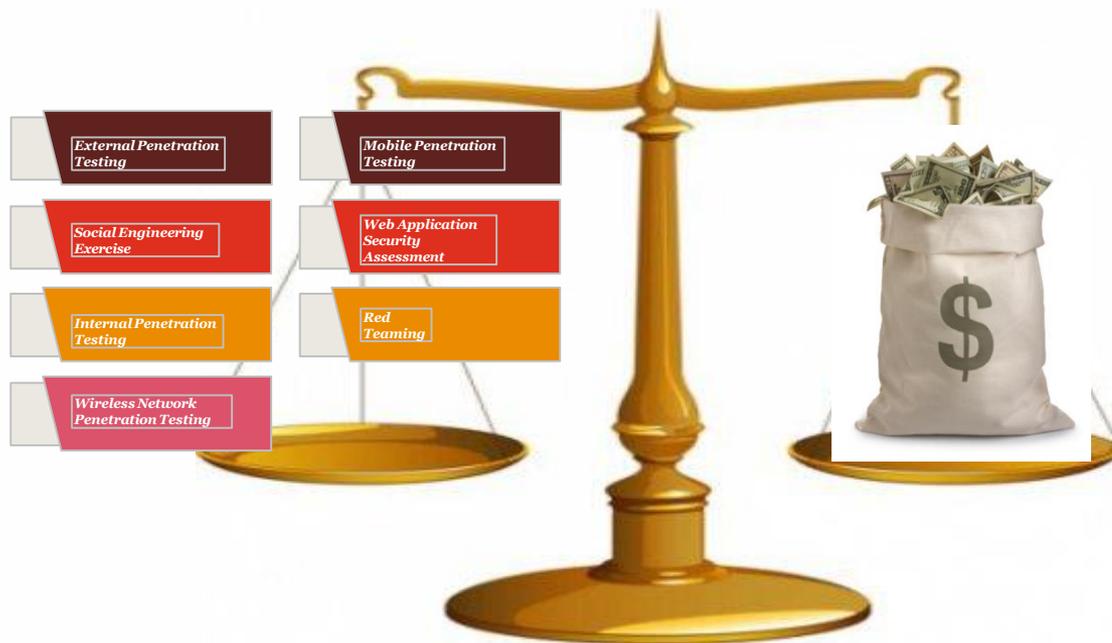
Red Teaming

Testing

A range of techniques can be used to craft a customized attack scenario in line with client requirements. These techniques are designed to replicate the modus operandi of real-world attackers. Depending on the objective of the test, the tester will customize the assessment procedures, tools, techniques, and procedures, but at a high-level, some of these may include:



Recommendations



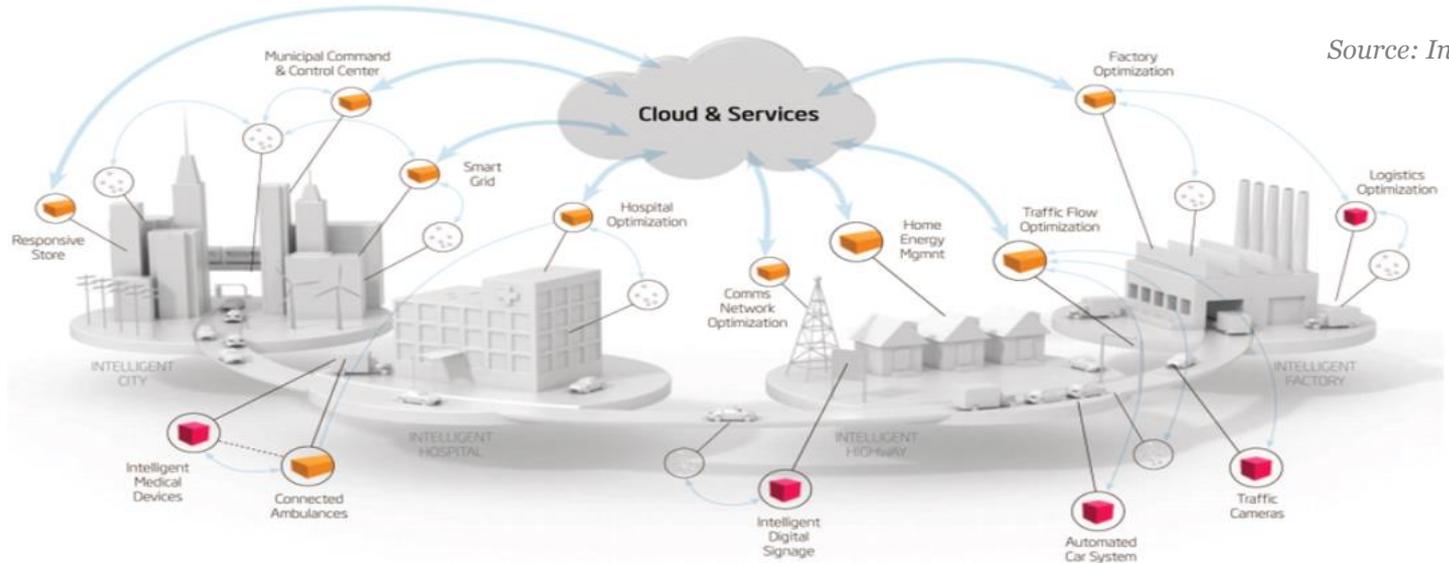
- **Targeted & Risk Aligned**
- **Objectives Documented**
- **Routinely Performed**
- **Methods Varied**

IoT - The Game Changes



What is the “Internet of Things”?

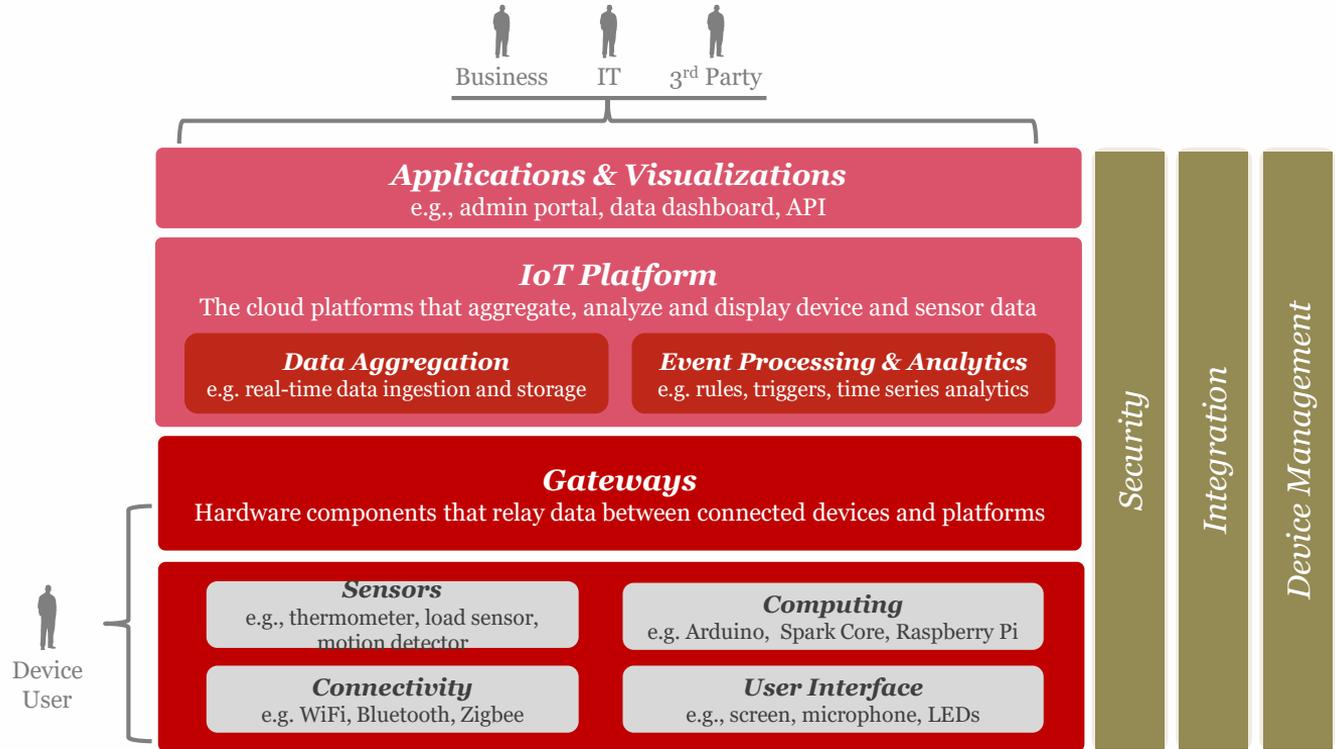
The “Internet of Things” (IoT) describes an ecosystem of sensors, embedded computers, and “smart” devices that communicate among themselves and with private/public cloud services in order to collect, analyze and present data about the physical world.



Gartner expects 15-20% annual growth to 25 billion connected devices to be in use by 2020.

IoT Reference Architecture

An internet of things architecture is different from a traditional web application architectures due to the introduction of a fleet of connected devices and the data that they generate. This introduces a new set of challenges and considerations across the following areas.



Connected Devices

The term “connected device” is a catch-all that refers to a wide spectrum of devices but in its most fundamental form, a connected device must be able to capture, process and transmit some environmental data.

Example Connected Devices



Motion Sensor



Connected Thermostat



Fitness Tracker

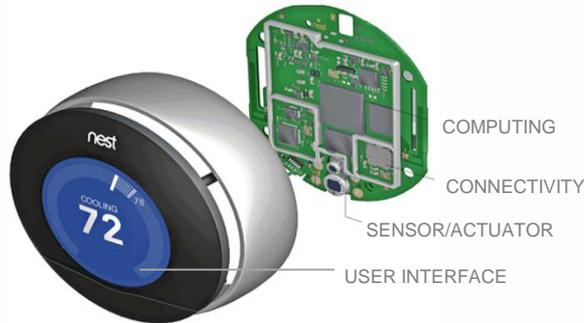


Smartphone



Connected Car

* All connected devices must also have a power source which is most often either a battery or a power outlet but can also include alternative sources such as solar or ambient electromagnetic power



Many “smart” consumer products may include a bundle of various sensors that work together as well as local data storage, local analytics and event triggering or a user interface to present the data.

Connected Device Components

User Interface (Optional)

The functionality through which a user interacts with the device (e.g., screen, microphone, LED lights)

Connectivity

The transmitter that sends the data to another device or to a central platform for processing (e.g., Wifi, Bluetooth, Zigbee)

Sensor/Actuator

The transmitter that sends the data to another device or to a central platform for processing (e.g., temperature, humidity, speaker)

Computing

The processor that records, stores and analyzes the sensor output (e.g., Arduino, Photon, ARM Chip)

New Questions Raised

Where is the boundary?

What are the roles, responsibilities and authority in Operational areas?

To what extent do we rely on attestation by 3rd parties and suppliers?

What are the risks to Operations in running a penetration test?

Do we have the knowledge?

Questions



Thank You

