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Attribute based access to industrial life-cycle data, the semantic dimension

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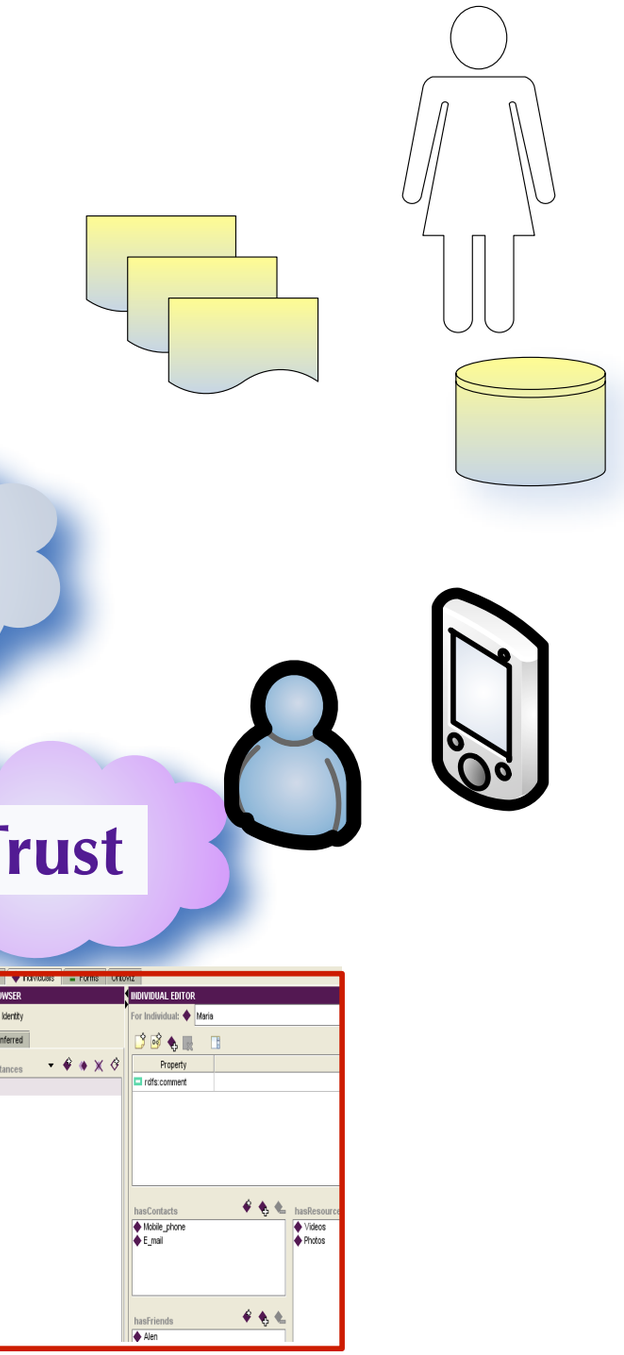
Outline

- Industrial Lifecycle
  - Planning, Execution, Extension
  - Information analysis & information flow control
- Security for industrial products
- Measurable security
  - Application in the IoT
  - Access, Authentication,... for People, Things And Services (IoPTS)
- Semantic Approach
  - Ontologies for security, system, component functionality
  - Metrics based assessment
  - Semantic attribute based access
- Attribute-based access
  - context-aware security - for people, things and services
- Experiences and Conclusions

Industrial Lifecycle

- Planning
  - based on “hidden knowledge”
- Execution
  - ongoing control of inventory
- Extension
  - Information analysis
  - Information flow control
- Semantic Approach
  - who has access?
  - Identity/Roles

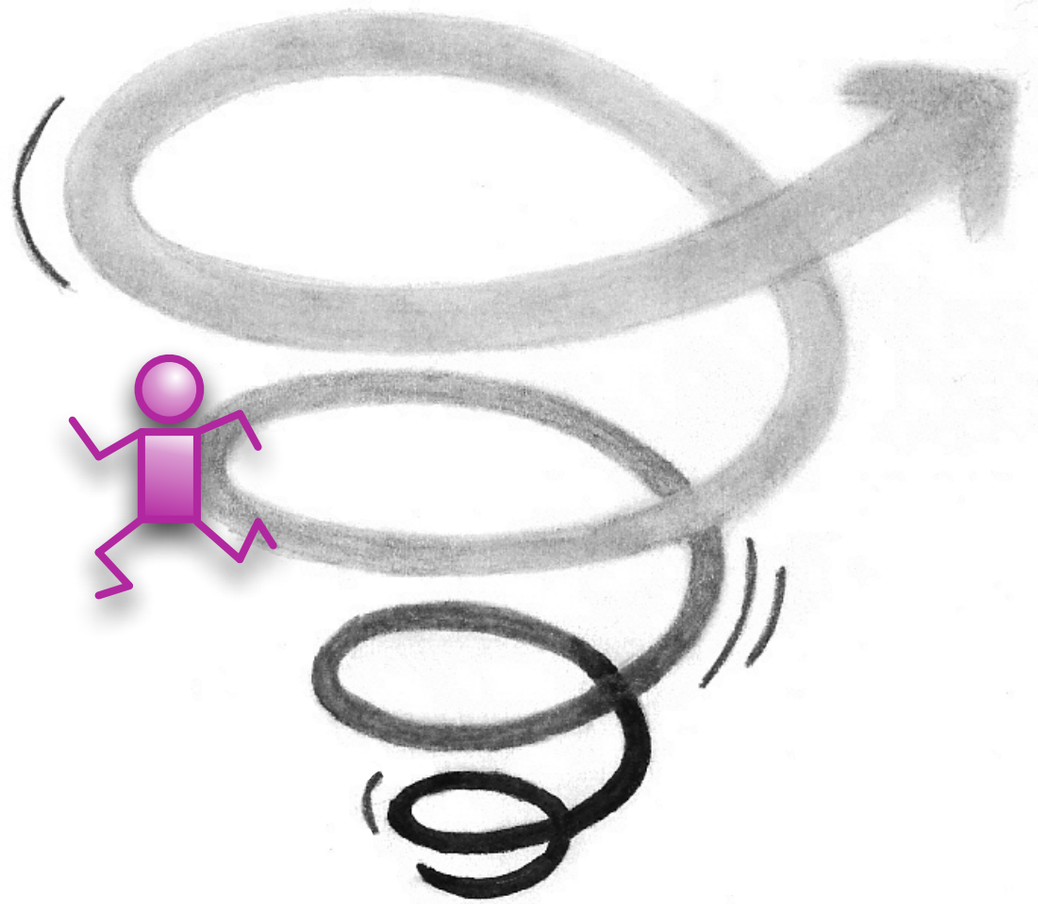


Security for industrial products

- Designed for an application in mind
  - security considerations?

- Novel application area
  - Used “somewhere else”
- New attack scenario
  - Increased customer demands
  - New regulations

- Retro-fit versus New Sensors
  - existing infrastructure
  - “remote operation”



[source: Living on purpose, telus.net]

The Semantic Dimension of the Internet of Things (IoT)

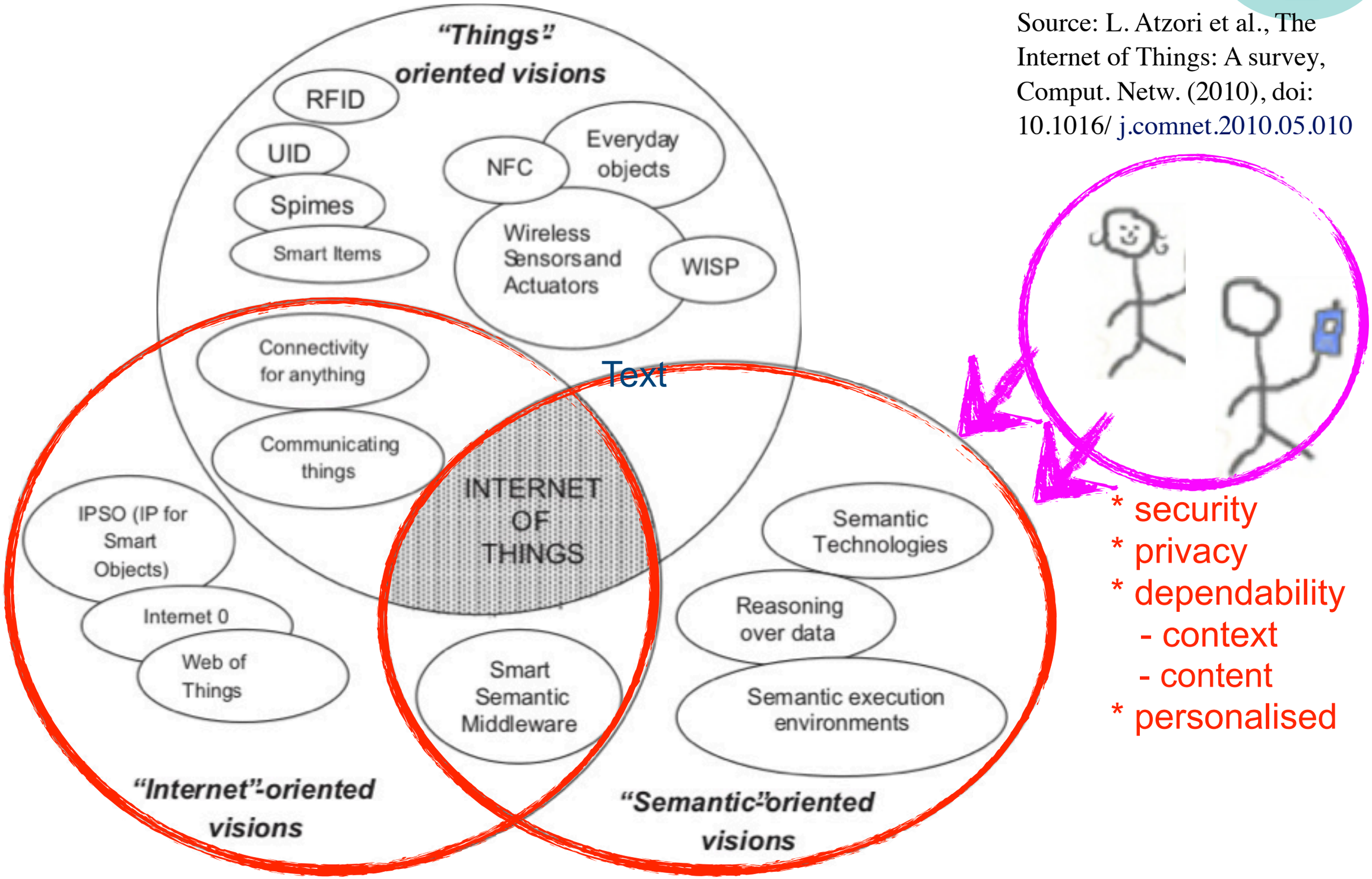


Fig. 1. "Internet of Things" paradigm as a result of the convergence of different visions.

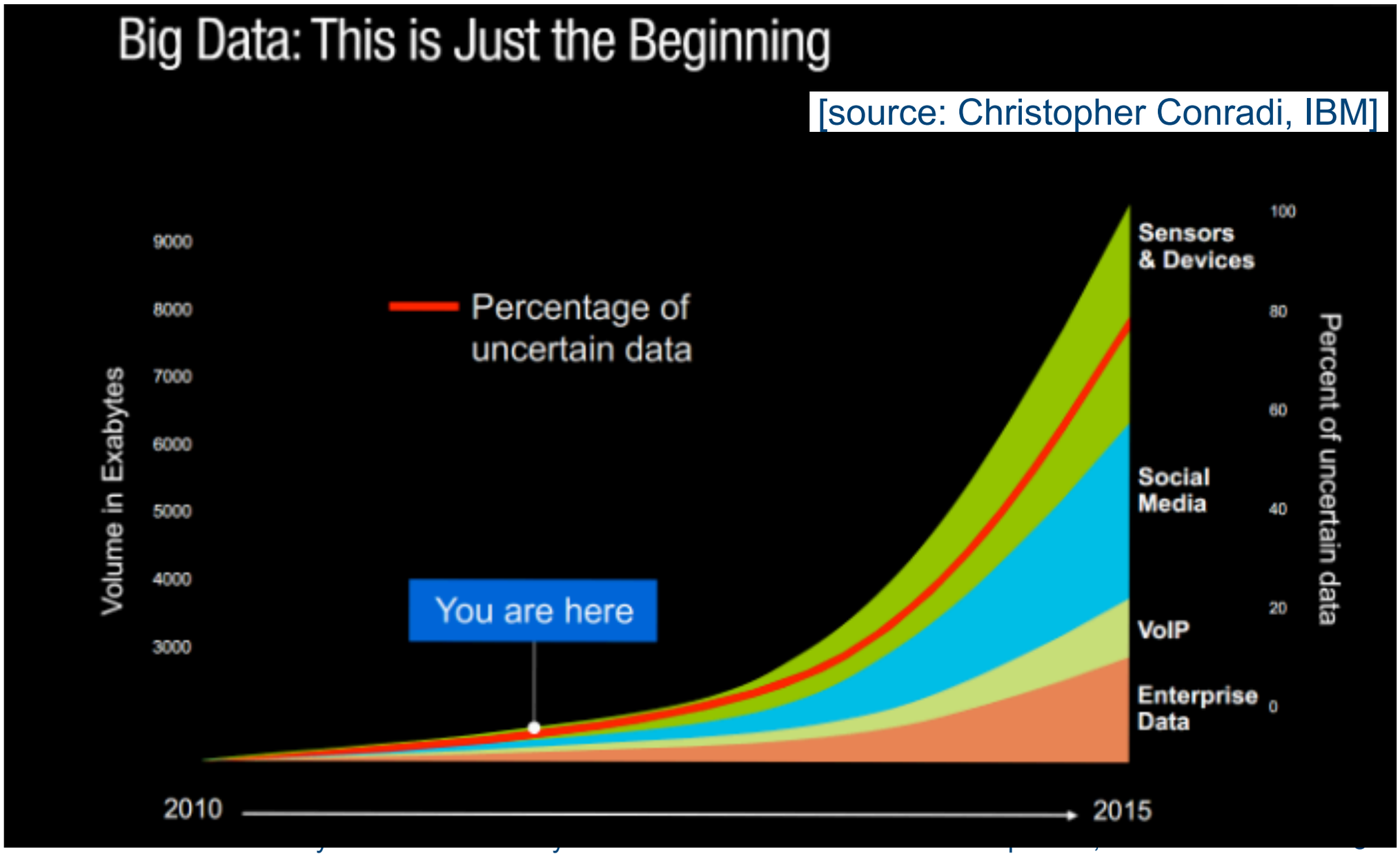
Source: L. Atzori et al., The Internet of Things: A survey, Comput. Netw. (2010), doi: 10.1016/ j.comnet.2010.05.010

Text

* security
* privacy
* dependability
  - context
  - content
* personalised

Information “truth”

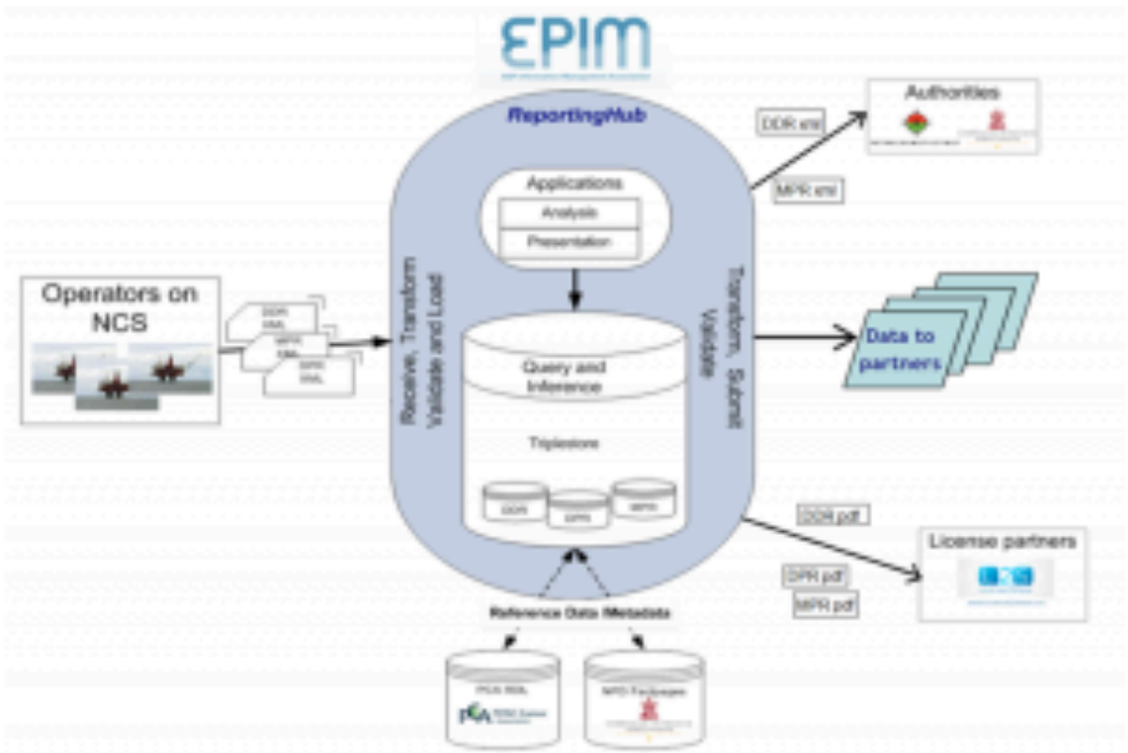
- Measurable Security
- Retro-fit versus Cognitive Computing
- Information handling



IoT application in Oil and Gas

Semantic Case Study: EPIM ReportingHub

By Angela Guess on February 12, 2012 1:00 PM



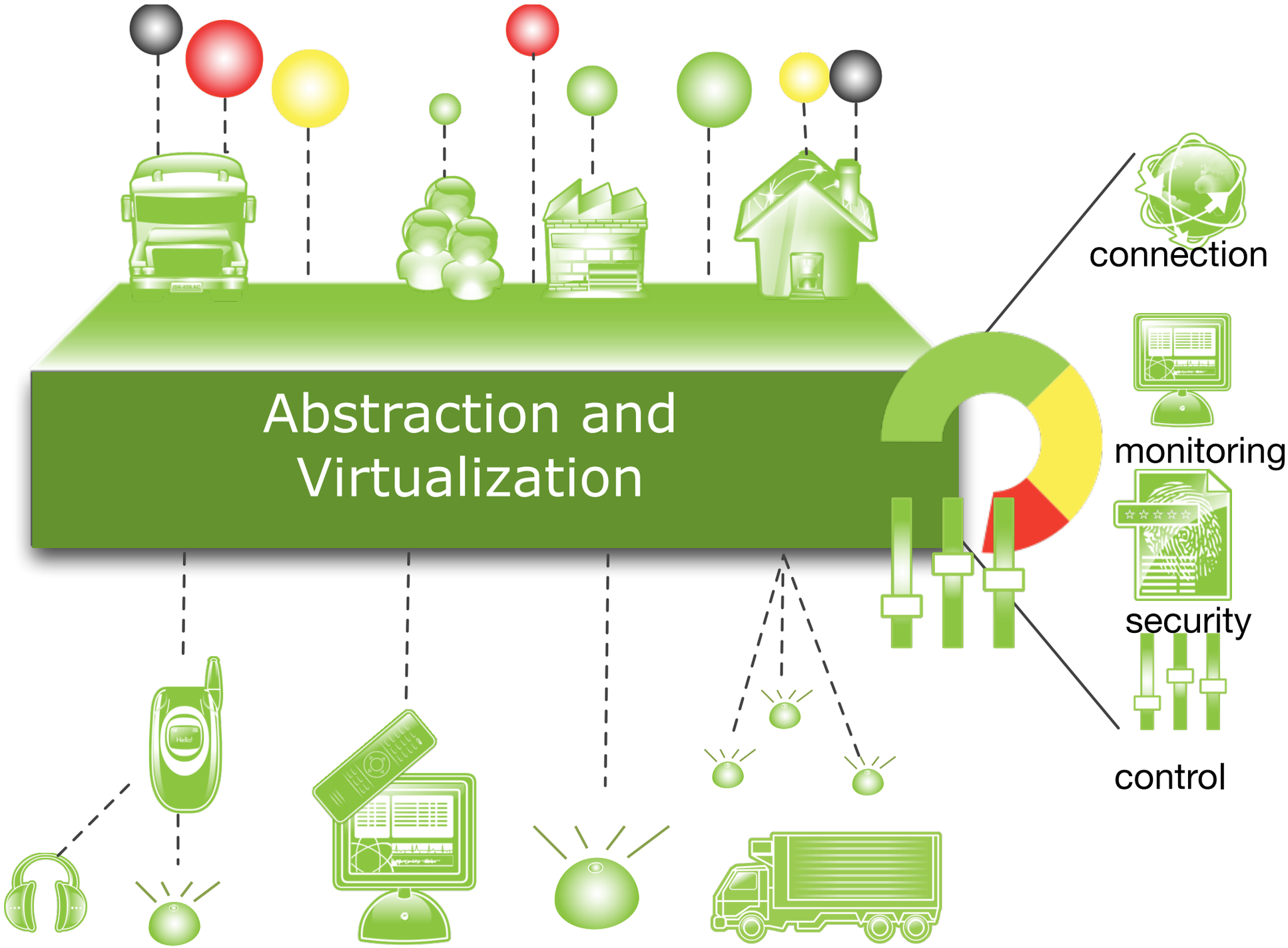
On Tuesday the E&P Information Management Association (EPIM) launched EPIM ReportingHub (ERH), an interesting semantic technology project in the field of oil and gas. According to the project website, ERH is "a very flexible knowledgebase for receiving, validating (using NPD's Fact Pages and PCA RDL), storing, analysing, and transmitting reports. The operators shall send XML schemas for DDR, DPR and MPR to ERH and ERH sends DDR and MPR as XML schemas to the NPD/PSA and all three reports as PDF to EPIM's License2Share (L2S). The partners may download all three reports and/or any data from one or more reports through flexible queries. Some parts of ERH will be in operation already in November 2011 and the rest as soon as the authorities and the industry are ready for it. ERH is owned and operated by EPIM."

"License to share"? - 0/1 - true/false

Measurable Security

- Insecure <-> Secure
  - IETF better-than-nothing-security (btns)
- Information distribution along 0/1 (false/true)?
  - “someone has stolen my identity” -> access granted
  - behaviour monitoring
  - change in partners/companies/hierarchies
- Data integration and weighting
  - integration of heterogeneous data: seismic, drilling, transportation
  - used across **systems**, disciplines, and organisations
- Automated processes
  - who contributes
  - **value** and **impact** of contribution
  - reasoning

Security areas in IoPTS



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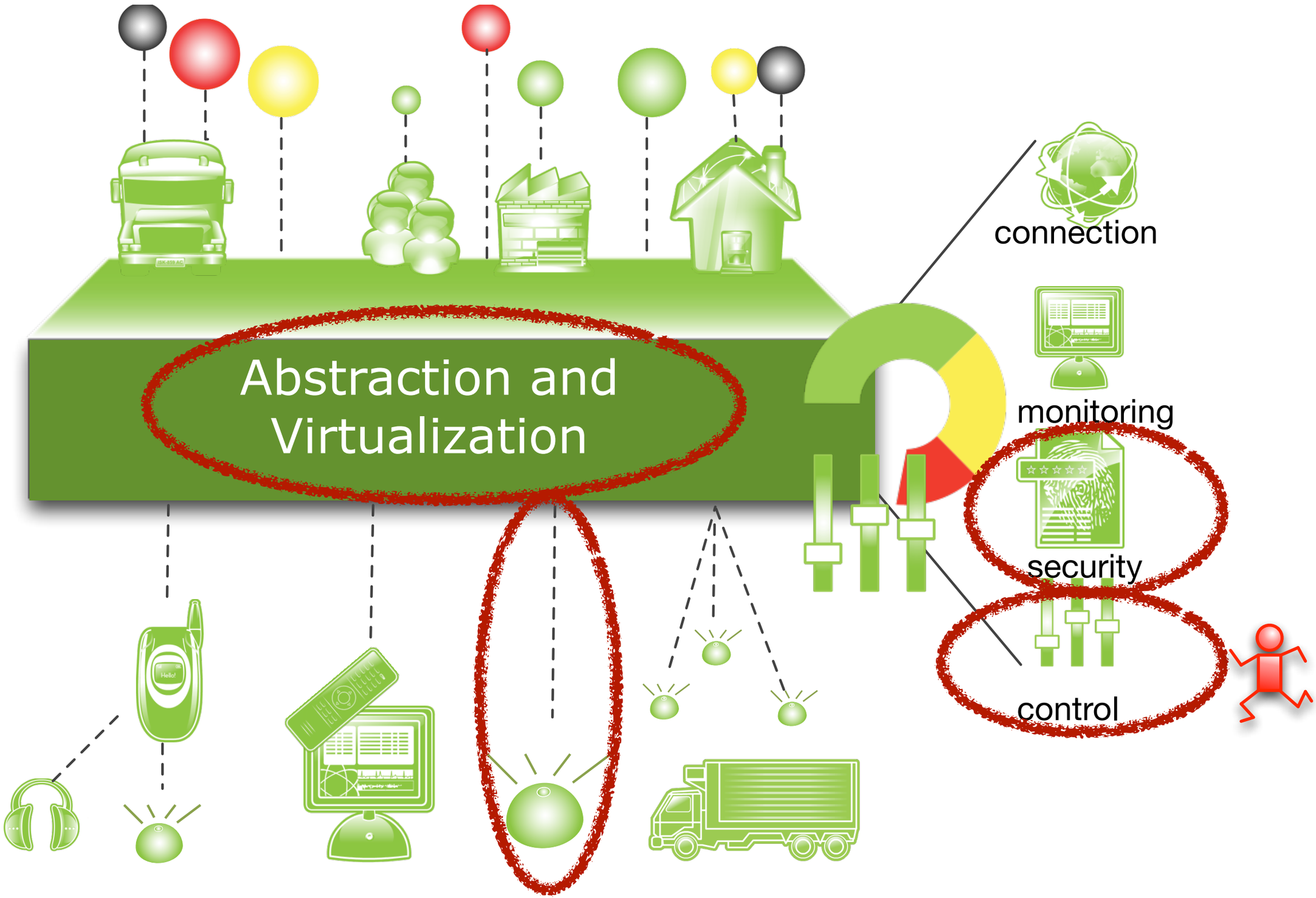


Security challenges

- heterogeneous infrastructures
  - sensors, devices
  - networks, cloud
  - services, app stores
- BYOD - bring your own device

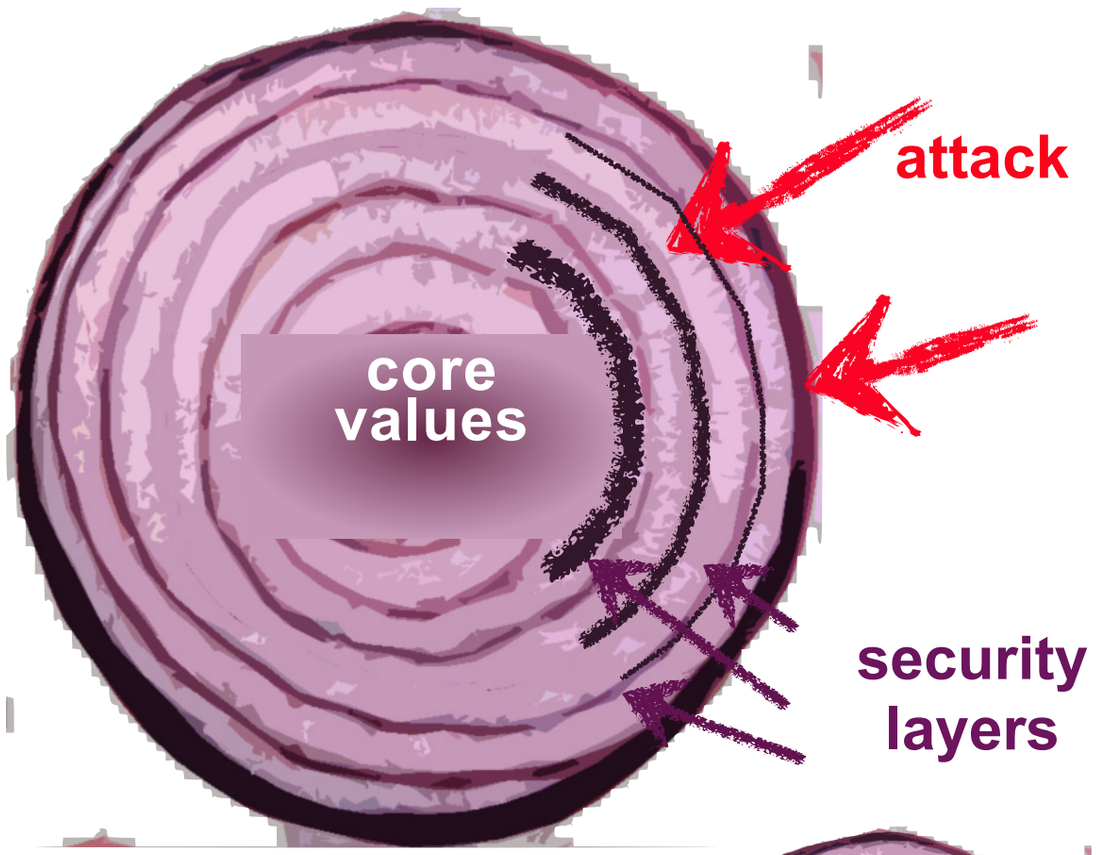
➡ you can't control

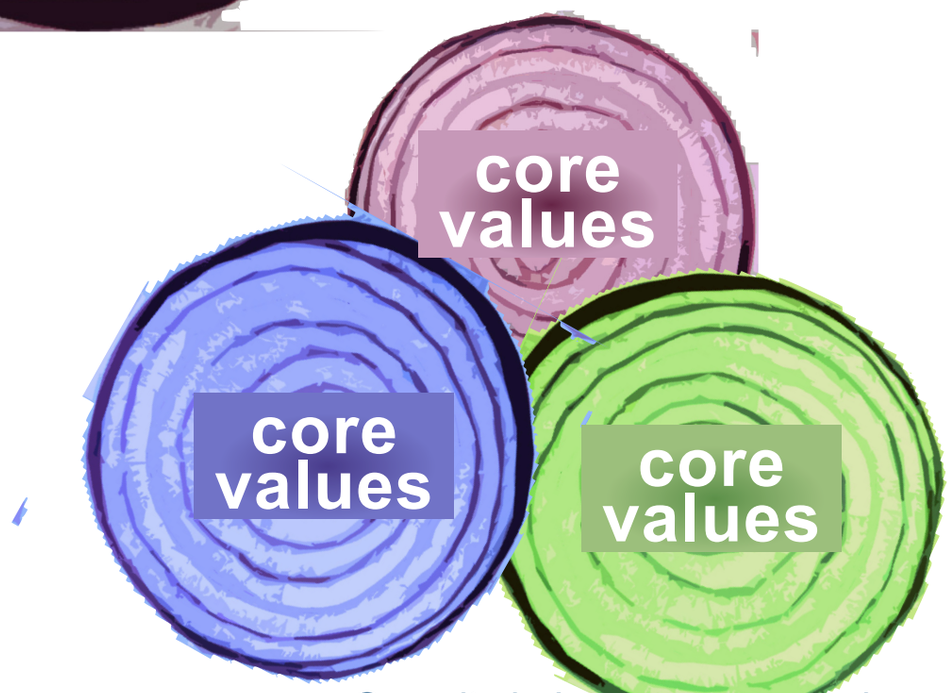
➡ concentrate on the core values

- Internet of People, Things and Service (IoPTS)
  - content aware: value to alarm
  - context aware: who has access - "we are not all friends"
  - attributes for security assessment

➡ Measure your values

Attribute-based protection

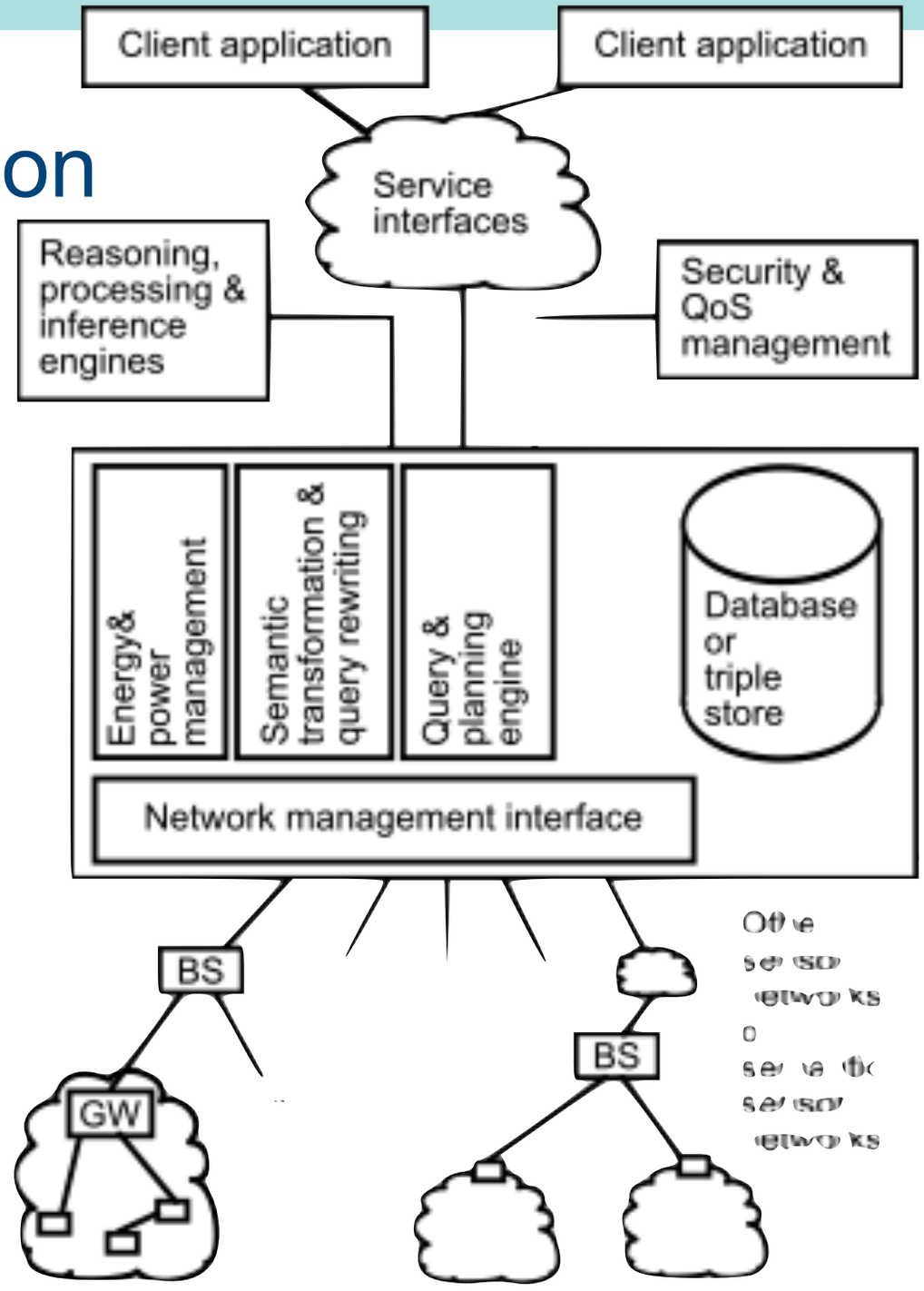


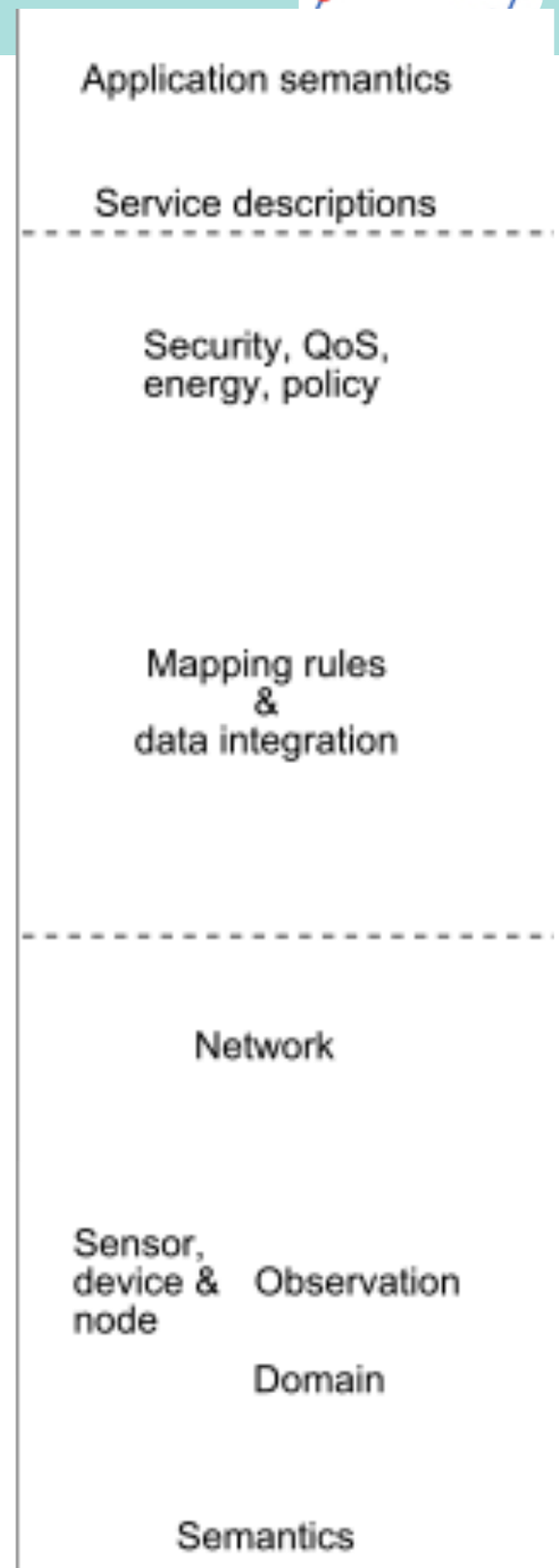


- Demand
  - autonomy
  - context-/content-aware
- Adaptation
  - business environment
  - trust relation(?)
- Security, privacy
  - protect your core values
  - attribute-based access
  - monitor attack

Sensor Network Architecture

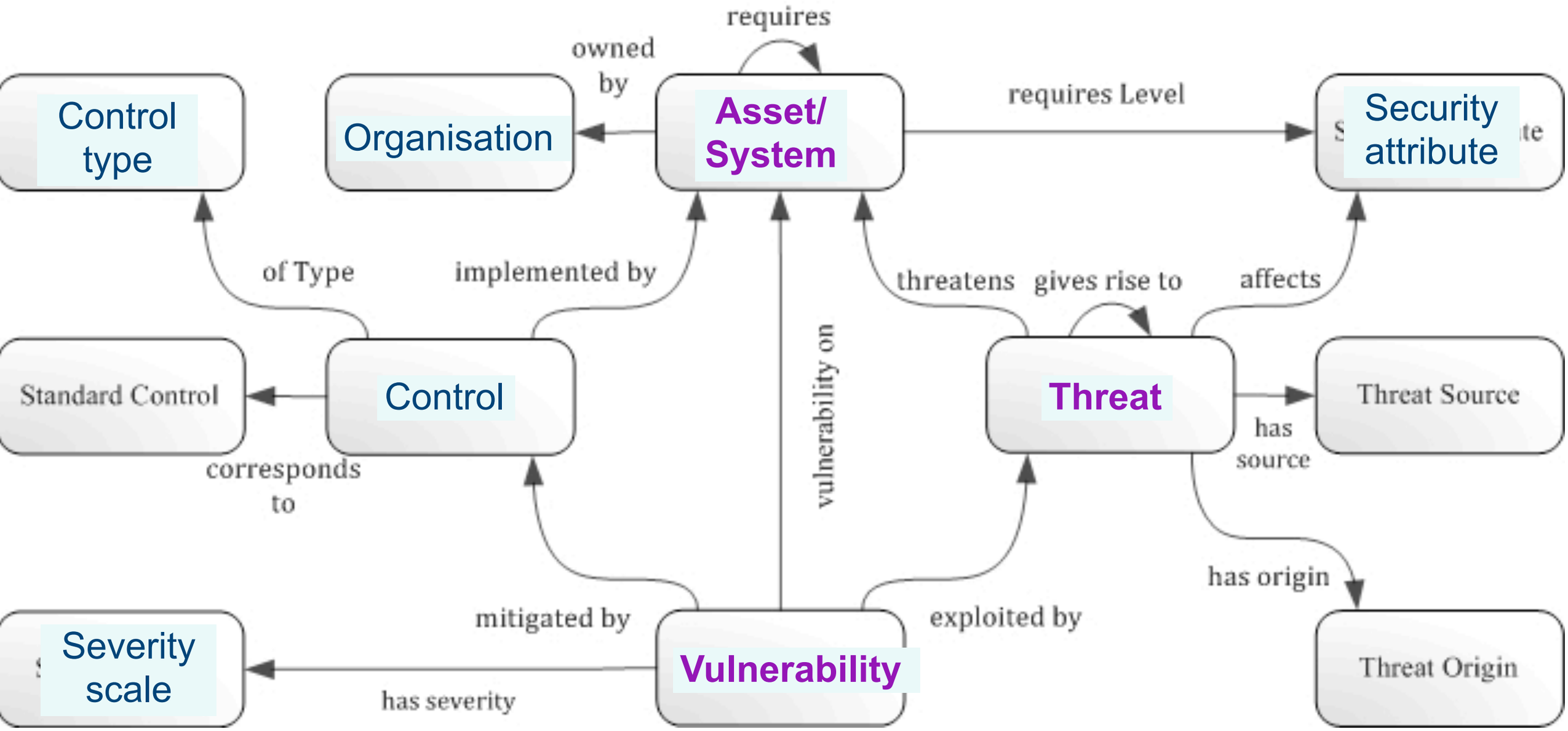
- Semantic dimension
  - Application
  - Services
  - Security, QoS,
  - Policies
  - mapping
- System
  - sensor networks
  - gateway
  - base station





Source: Compton et al., A survey of semantic specification of sensors, 2009

Security assessment:
Traditional approach



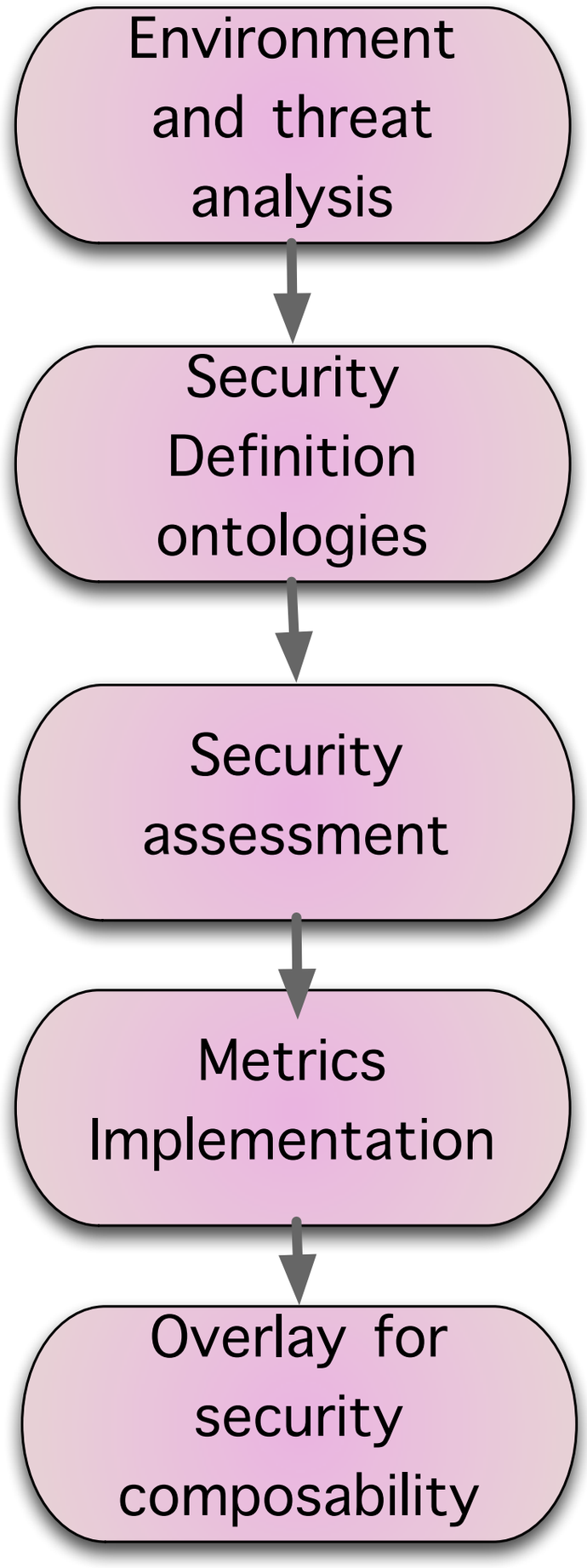
[source: http://securityontology.sba-research.org/]

The nSHIELD approach

- JU Artemis nSHIELD project
- focus on “measurable security” for embedded systems

Core concept

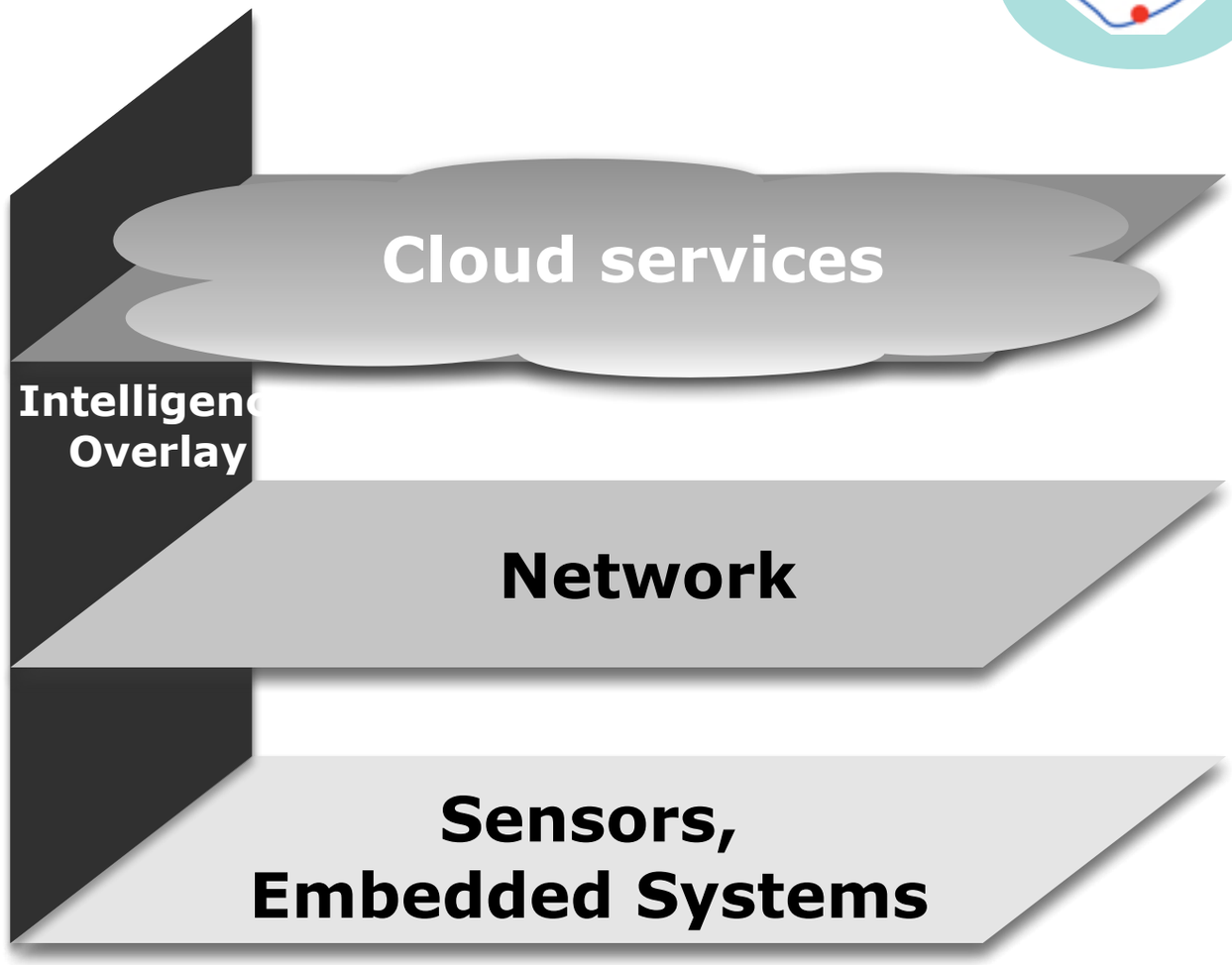
- Threat analysis
- Goal definition
- Semantic security description
- Semantic system description
- Security composability

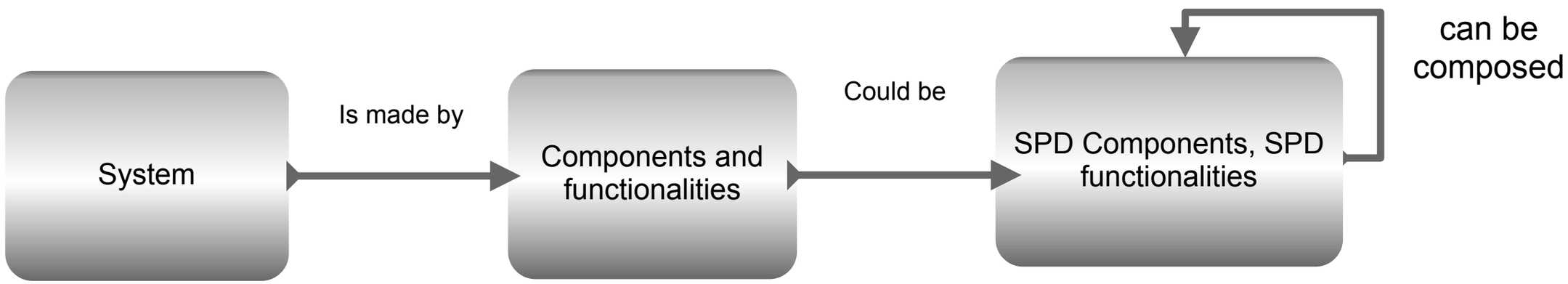


http://newSHIELD.eu

newSHIELD.eu approach

- Security, here
  - security (S)
  - privacy (P)
  - dependability (D)
- across the value chain
  - from sensors to services
- measurable security





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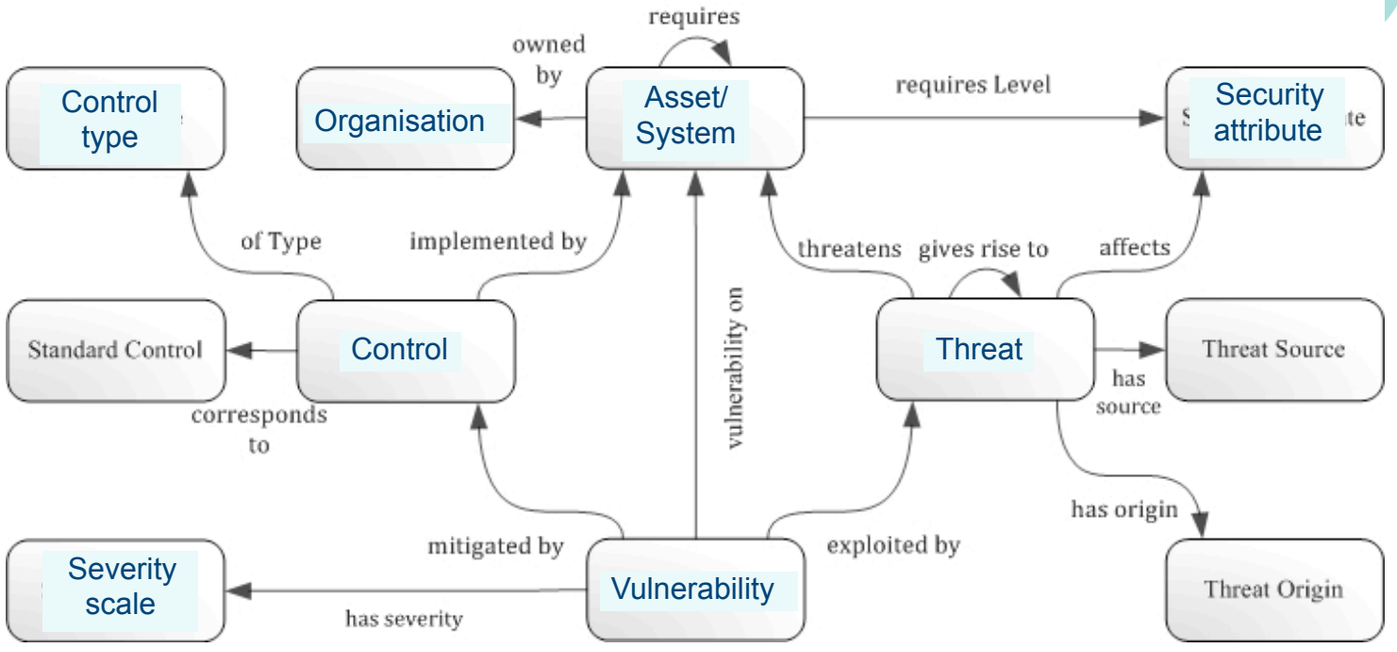

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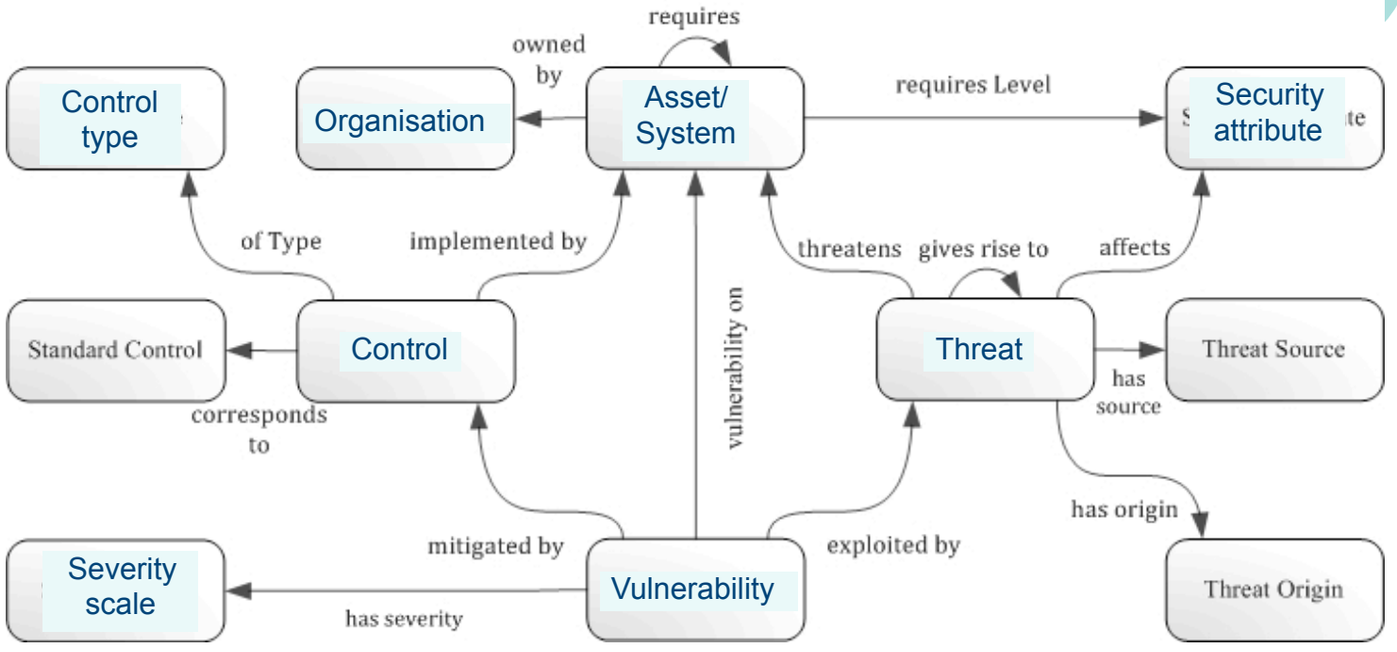

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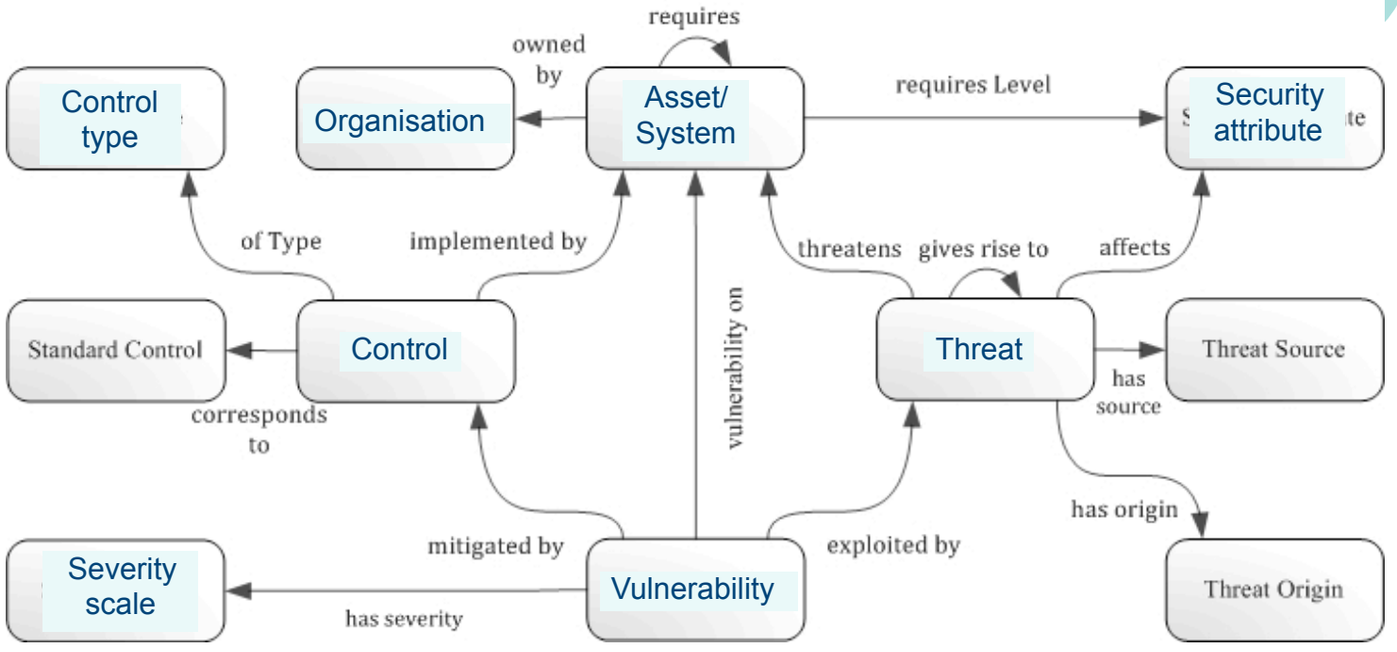

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One ontology per aspect:
- security
- system
- threats
...

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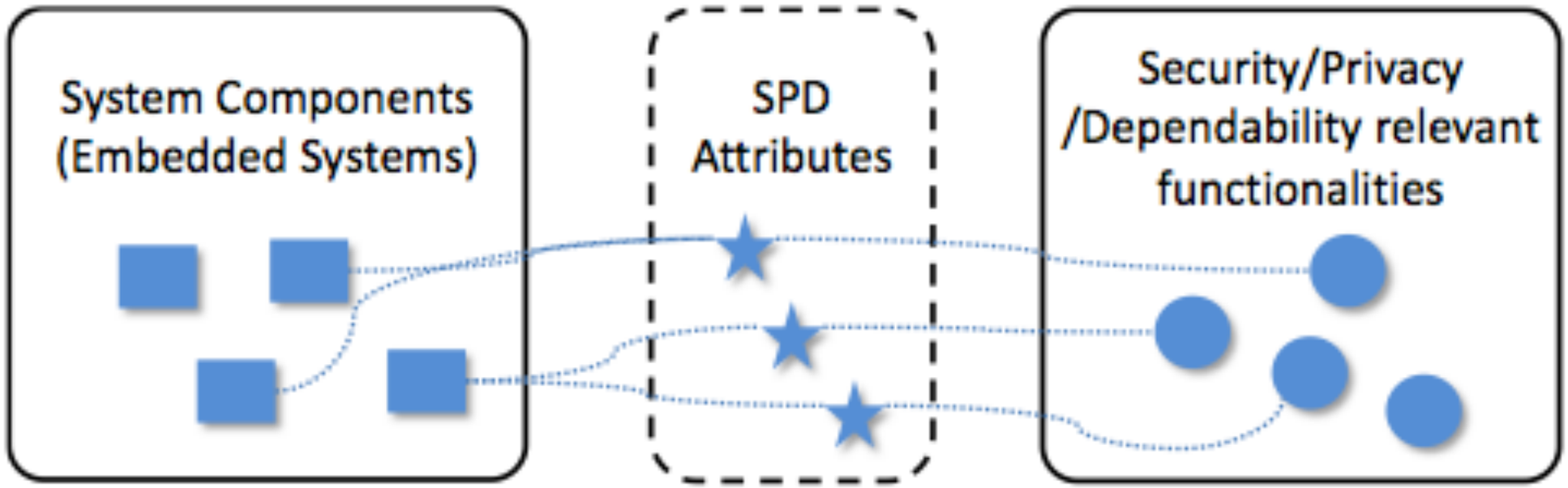

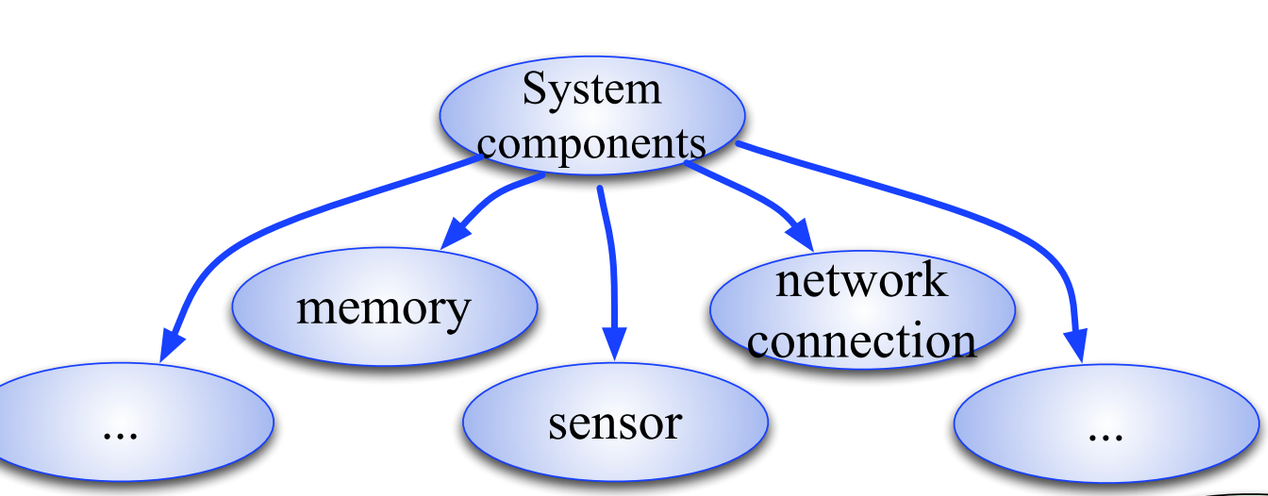

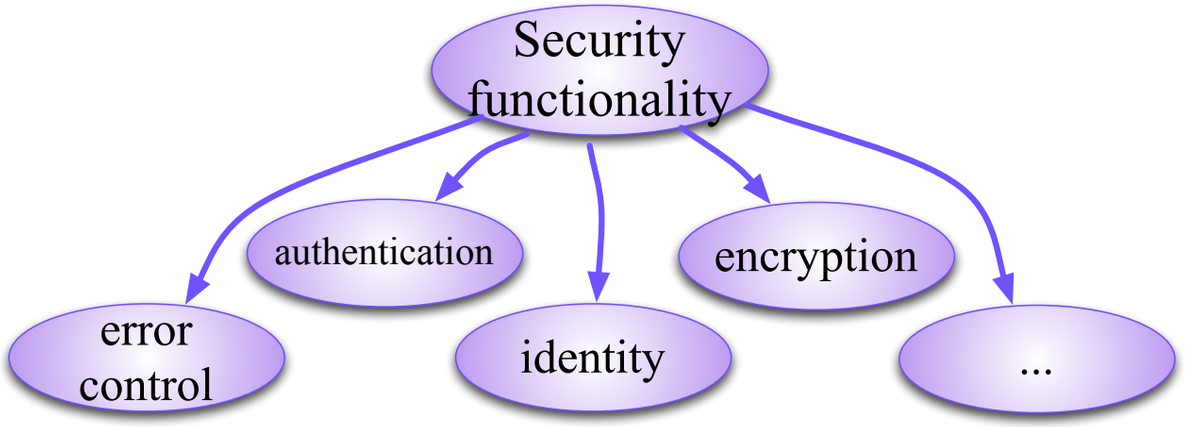

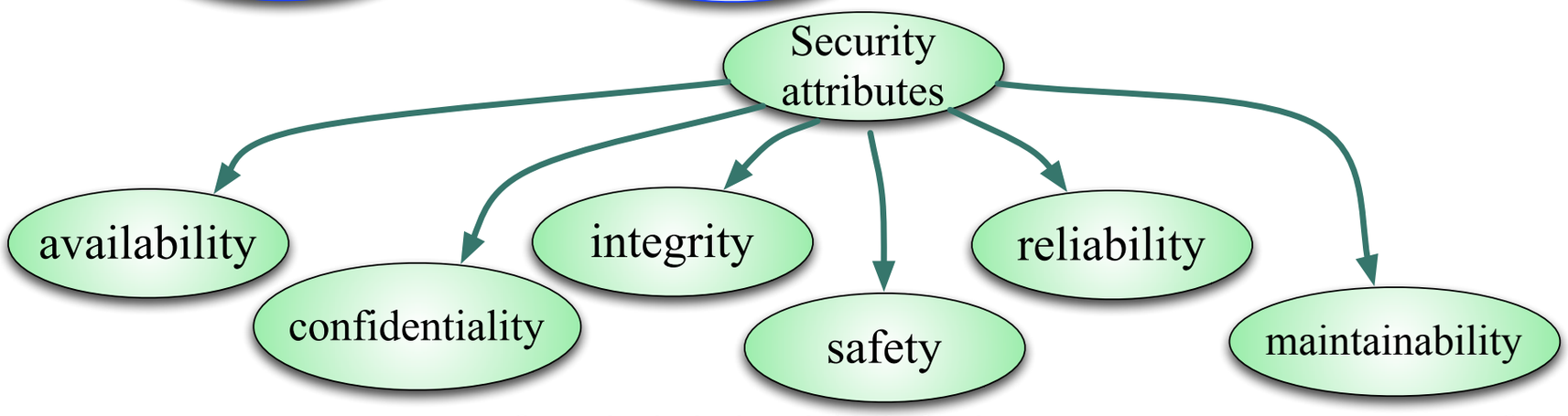

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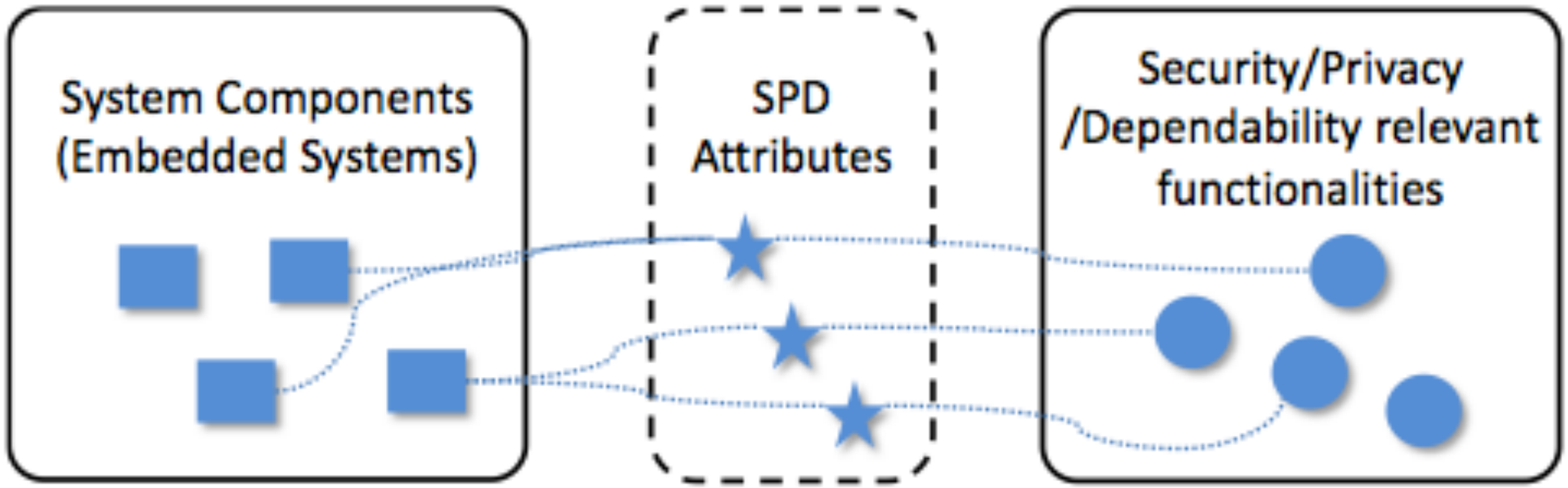

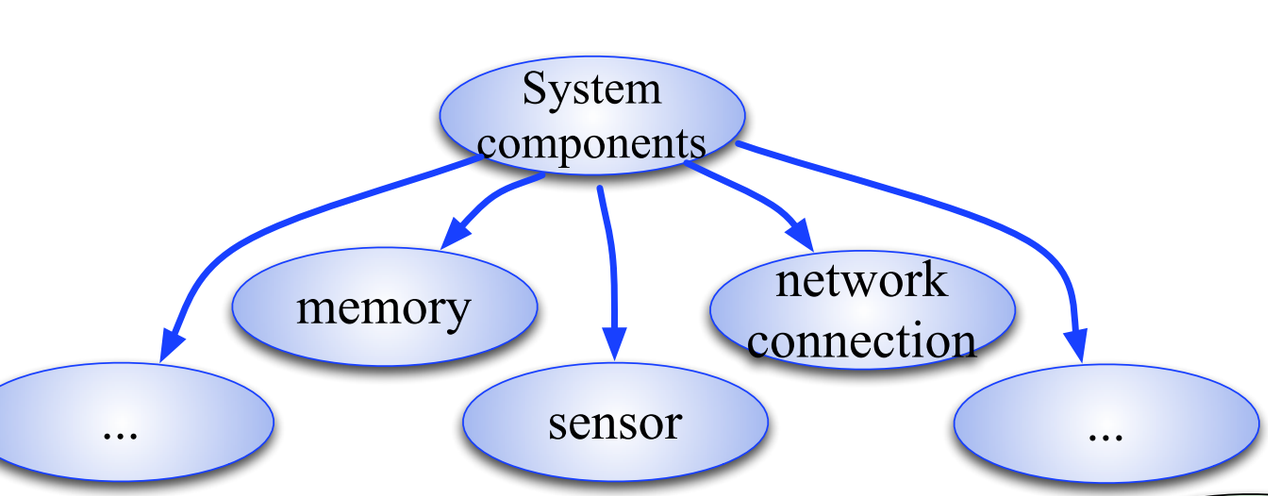

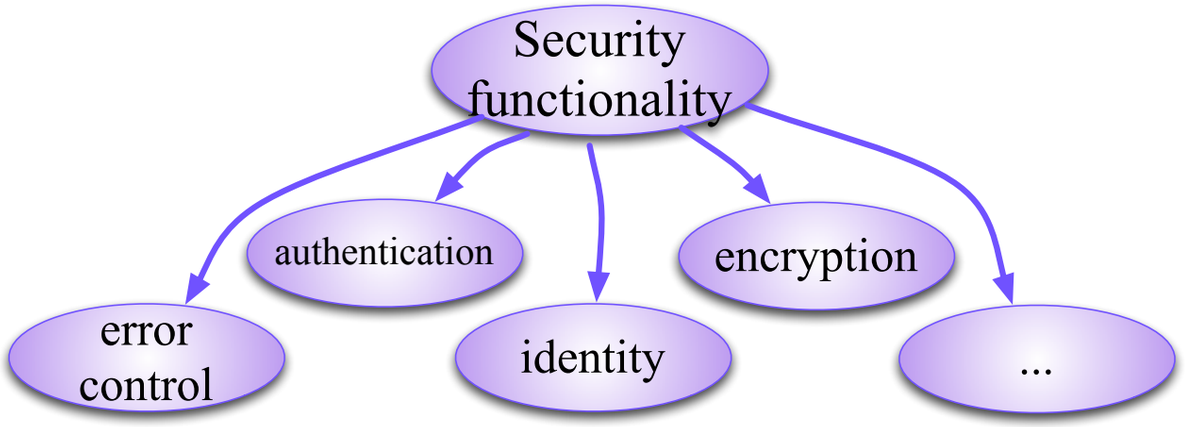

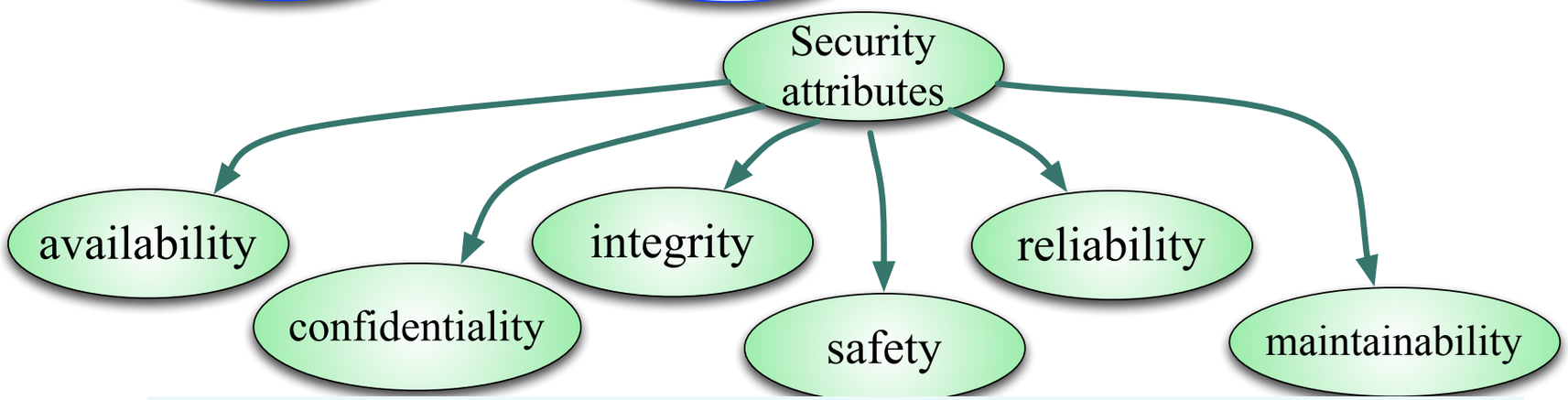

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Goal description

- based on application specific goal, e.g. *high reliability*

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Open Issue - way on how to describe the security goal

Threat description through Metrics

Minimum attack potential value to exploit a vulnerability
= **SPD value**

where

Calculated attack potential

with

Attack scenarios

SPD level → SPD attributes → SPD threats

Essential to build

Base of knowledge

System → Functionality → SPD system

Factors to be considered

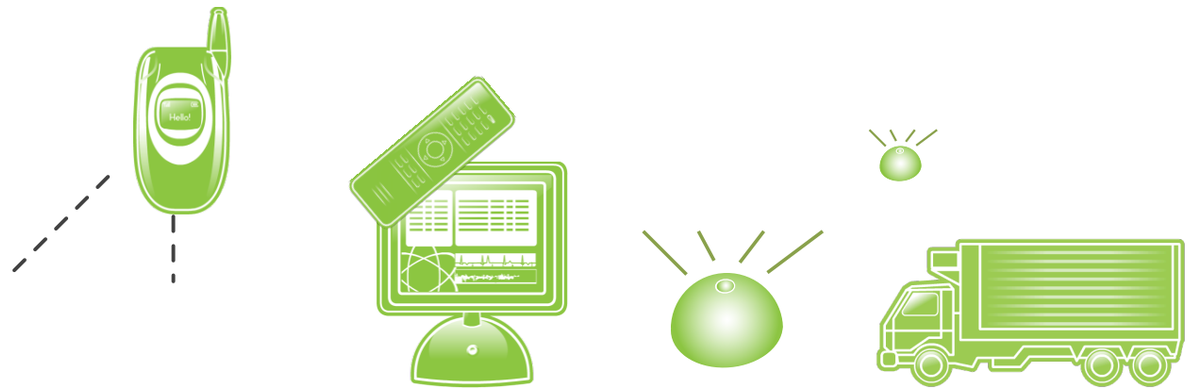
- Elapsed Time
- Expertise
- Knowledge of functionality
- Window of opportunity
- Equipment

SPD = security, privacy, dependability

Factor	Value
Elapsed Time	
<= one day	0
<= one week	1
<= one month	4
<= two months	7
<= three months	10
<= four months	13
<= five months	15
<= six months	17
> six months	19
Expertise	
Layman	0
Proficient	3*(1)
Expert	6
Multiple experts	8
Knowledge of functionality	
Public	0
Restricted	3
Sensitive	7
Critical	11
Window of	
Unnecessary / unlimited access	0
Easy	1
Moderate	4
Difficult	10
Unfeasible	25**(2)
Equipment	
Standard	0
Specialised	4(3)
Bespoke	7
Multiple bespoke	9

From security assessment to Attribute-based access

- Security assessment of the Internet of Things
  - Apply SHIELD methodology for SecPrivDep (SPD)
  - Describe functionalities in terms of security (ontologies)
  - Assess threats through Metrics
  - achieve a mean for SPD
- Access to information
  - who,
  - what kind of information
  - from where
- Attribute-based access
  - role (in project, company)
  - device, network
  - security tokens



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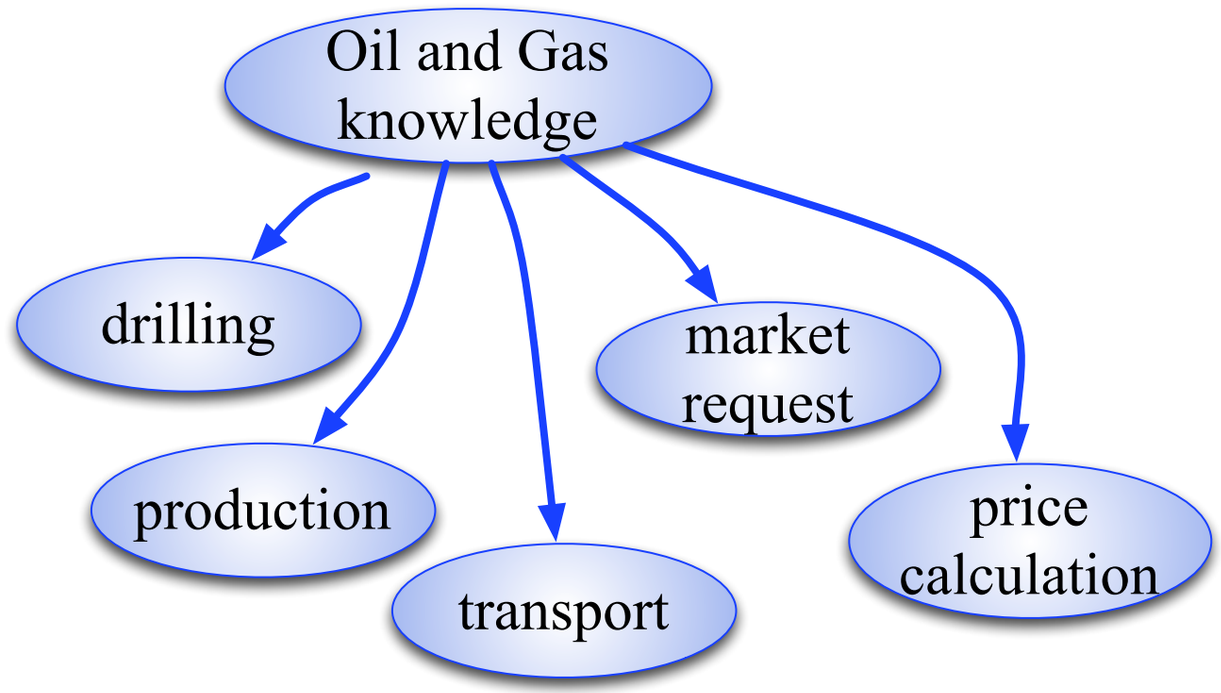

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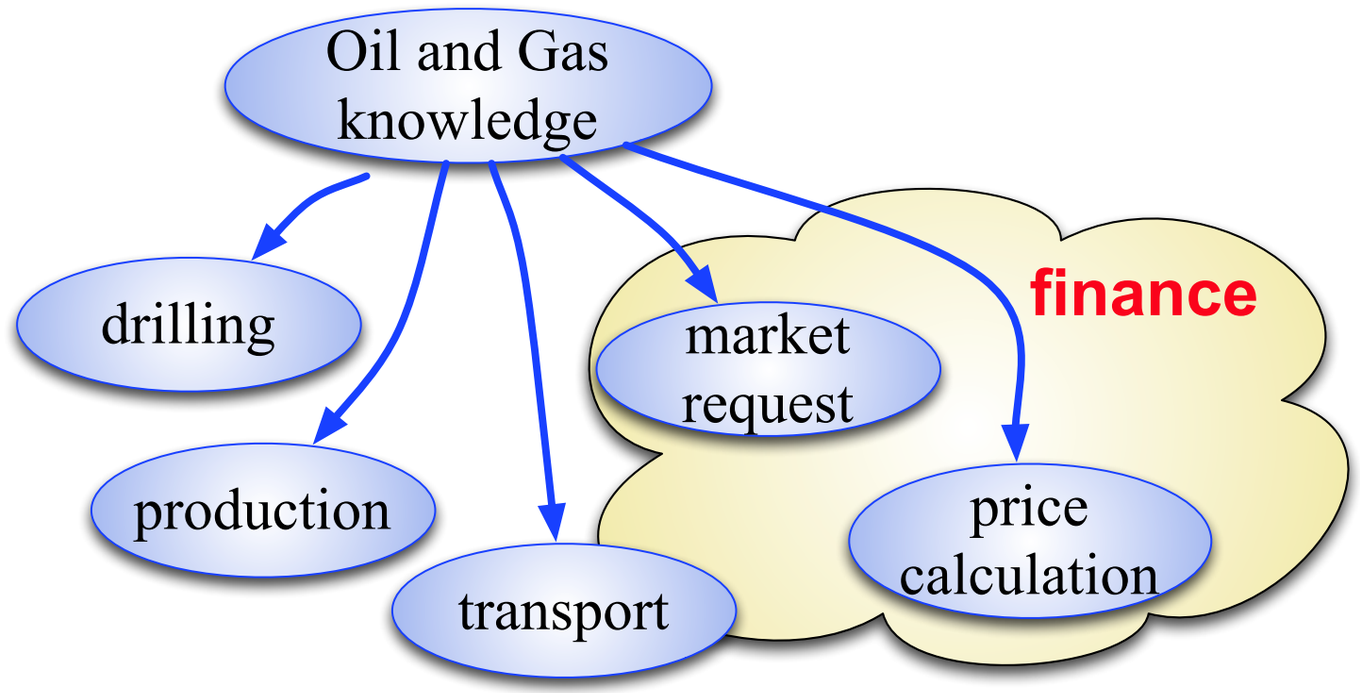

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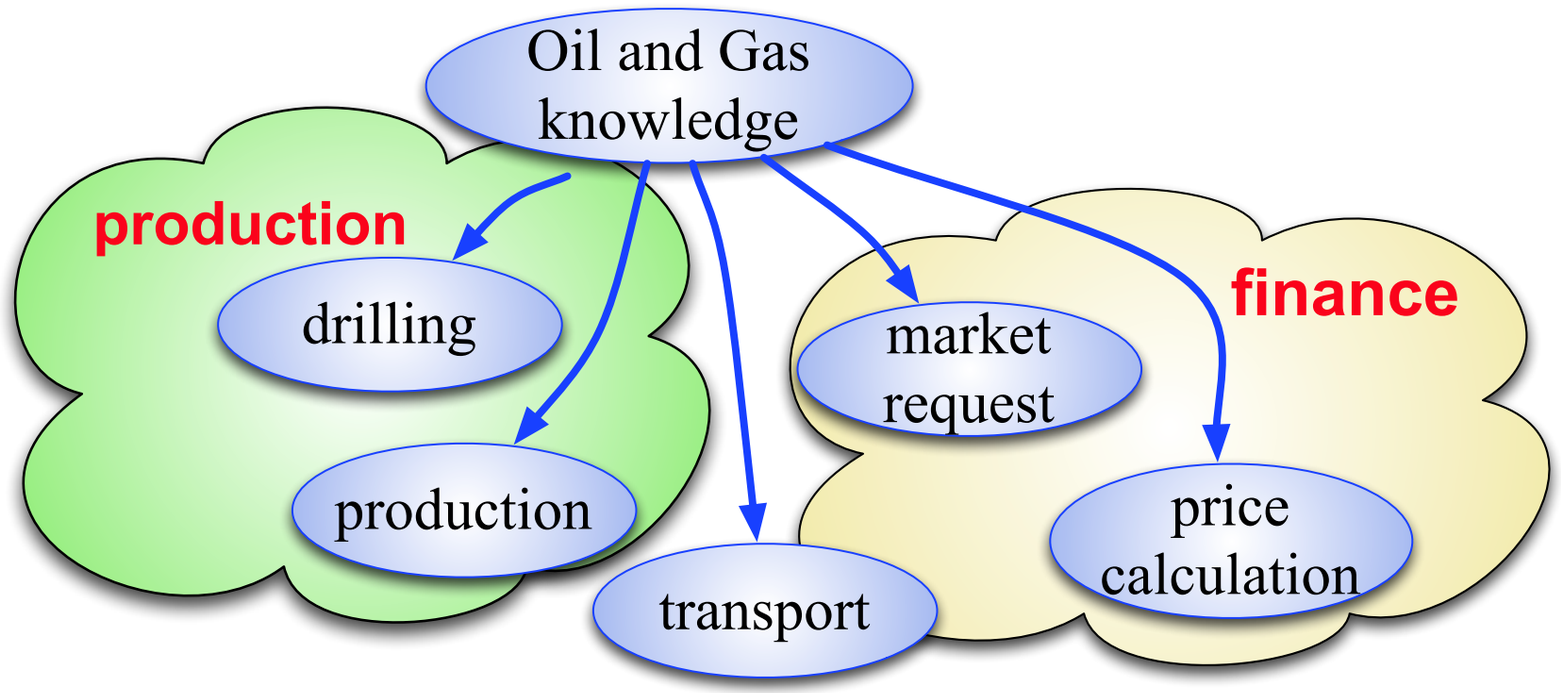
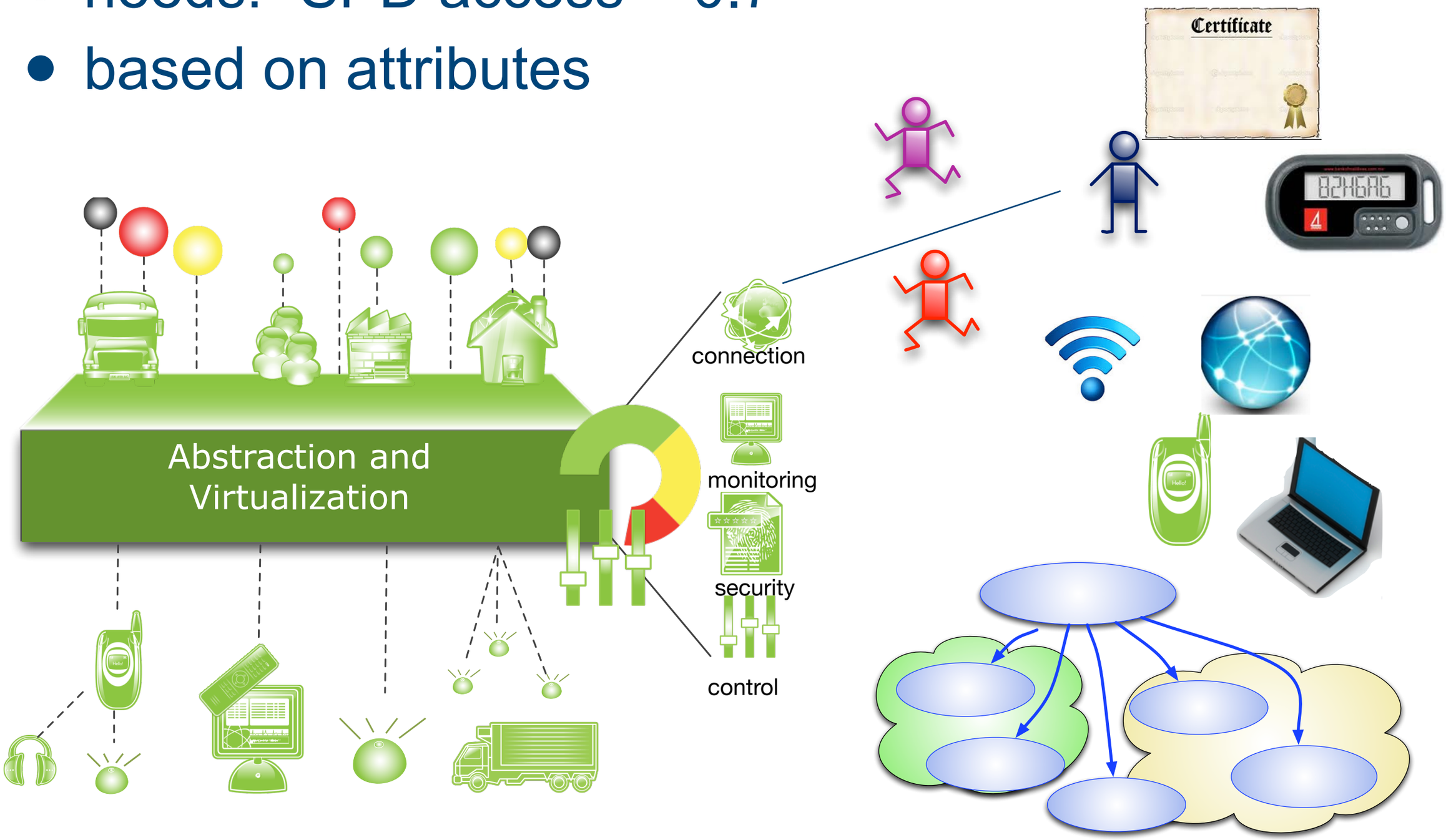


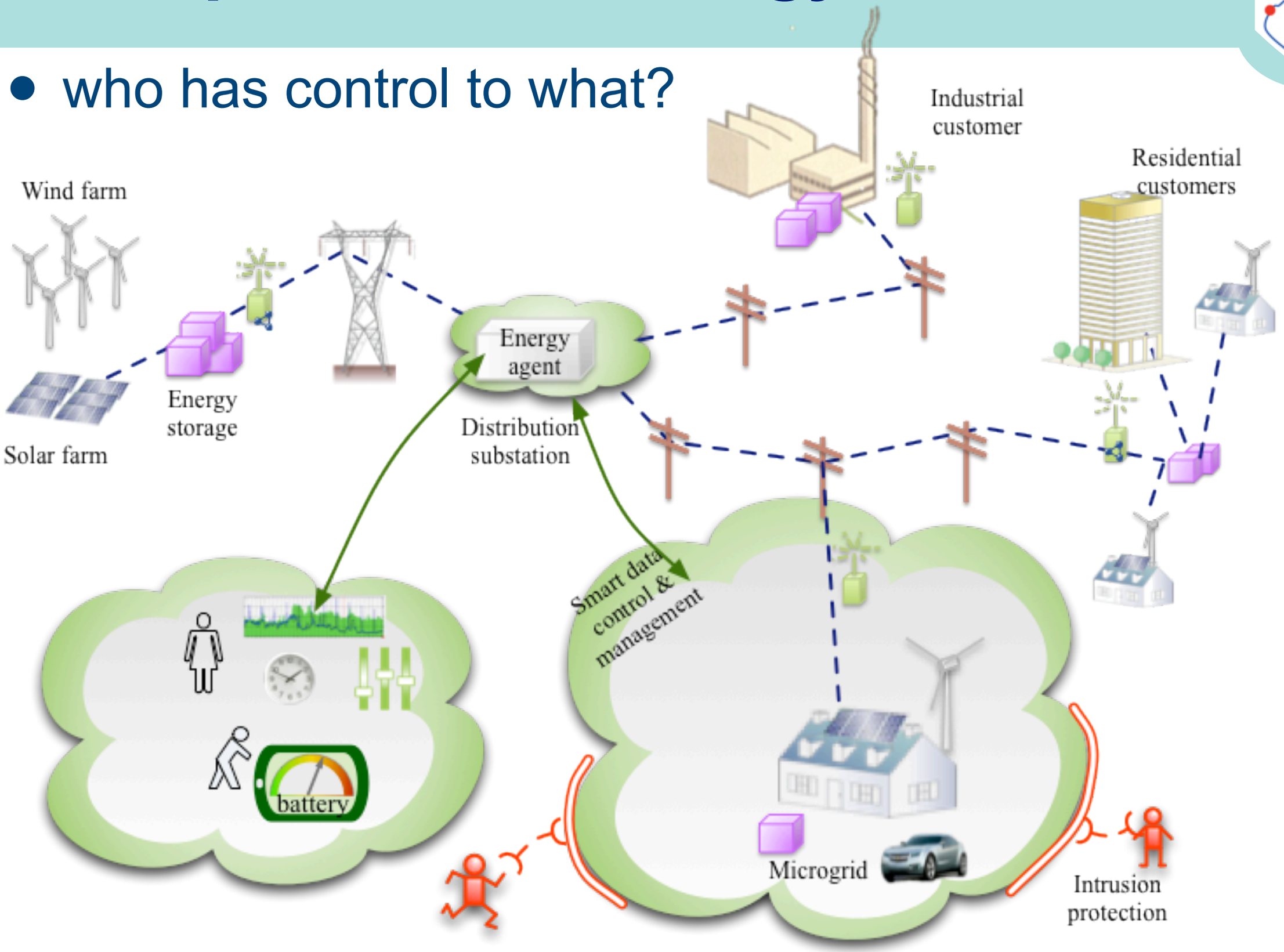
Bringing attributes to IoPTS

- Ontology-representation of access
- needs: “SPD access = 0.7”
- based on attributes



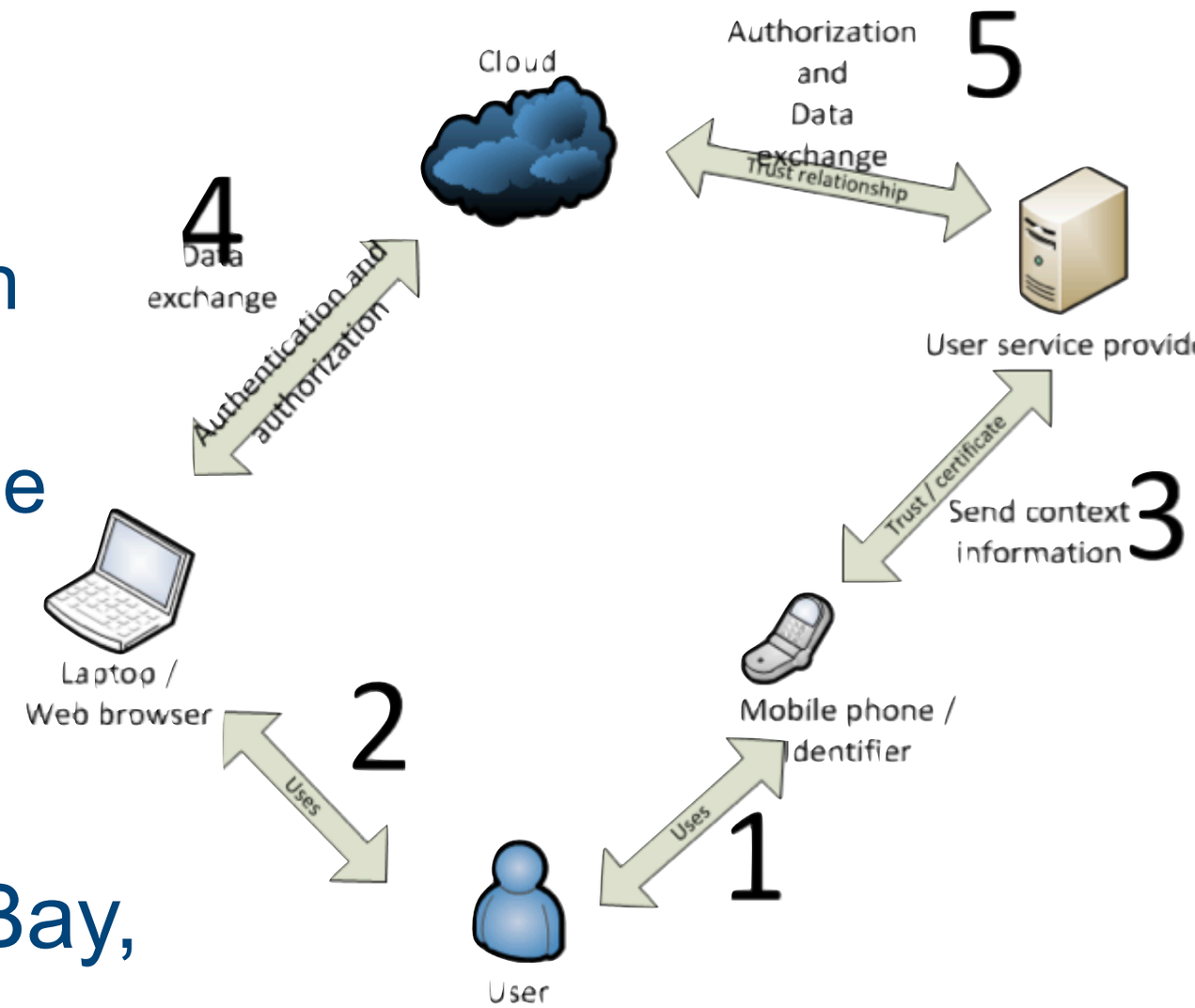
Example - Smart Energy Grid

- who has control to what?



ODATA - based ABAC

- ODATA,
  - released Feb2009
  - Entity Data Model (EDM)
  - Common Schema Definition Language (CSDL)
  - Entity Framework to infer the conceptual model
  - Query language LINQ
  - is a query language
- Used by: StackOverflow, eBay, TechEd, Netflix,...
- Microsoft's approach for interworking



S-ABAC based access

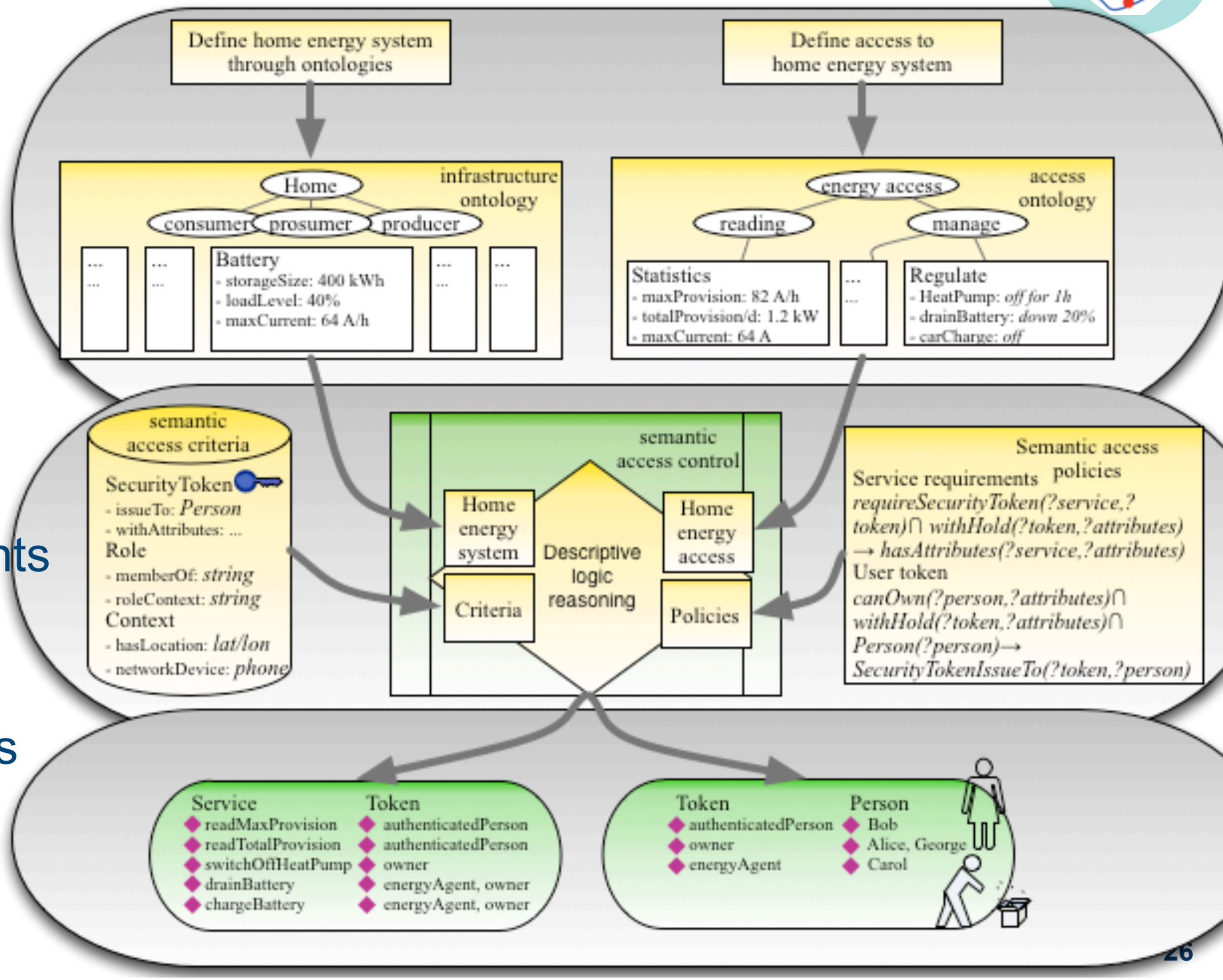
- OWL & SWRL implementation
- Rules inferring security tokens

canOwn(?person,?attributes) ∩ withHold(?token,?attributes) ∩
(Person(?person) -> SecurityTokenIssueTo(?token, ?person)

[token]	principal
BasicToken_1	Carol
BasicToken_2	Alice

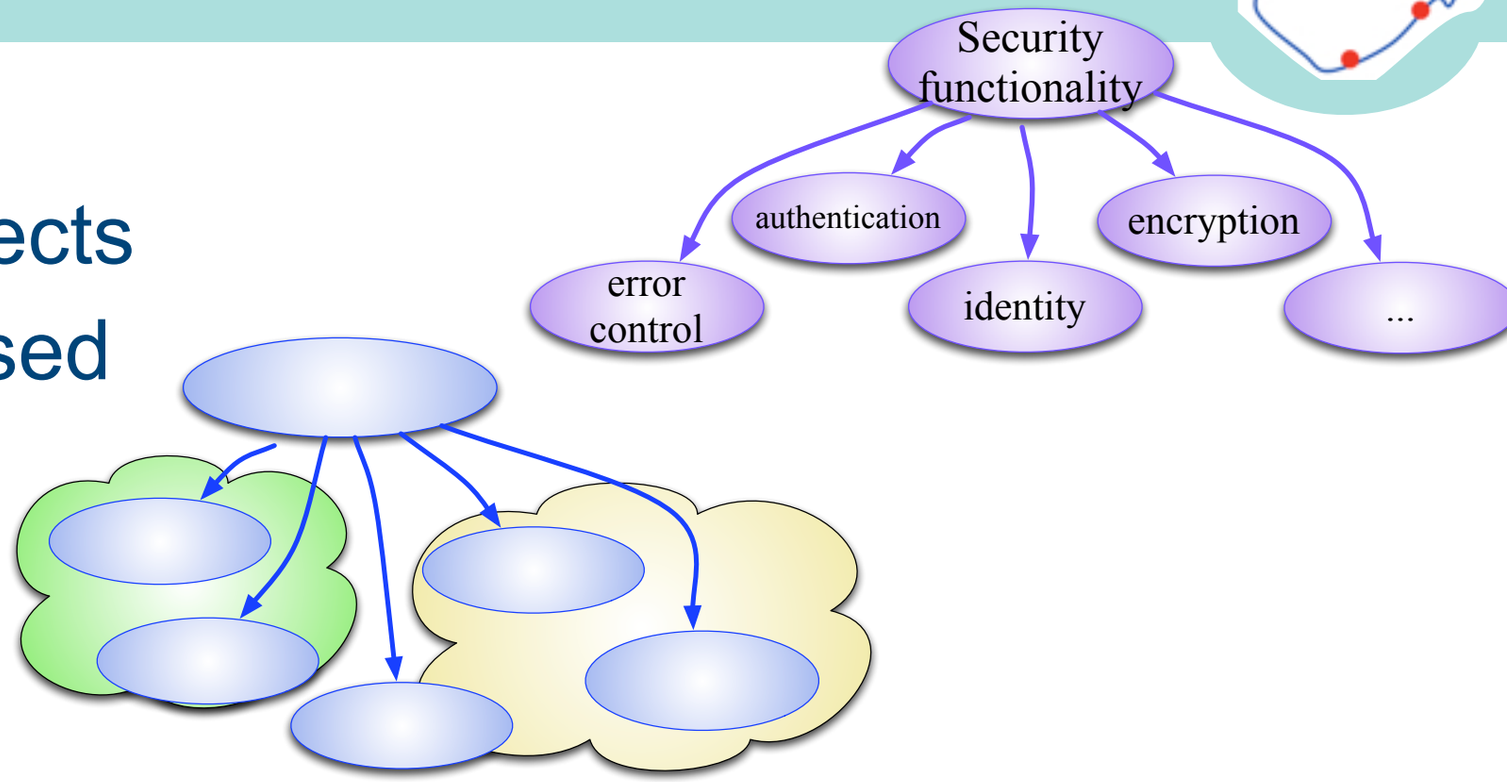
Application - Smart-grid

- Access criteria
  - Security token
  - role
  - context
- Policies
  - service requirements
  - service tokens
  - user tokens



Conclusions & Recommendations

- Recommendations
  - one ontology per aspects
  - semantic attribute based access control



- Open Issues
  - description of security goals
  - metrics description of threat
  - sensor description

availability = 0.8, confidentiality=0.9, integrity=0.6

universal threat metrics?

SensorML

Semantic Sensor Network (SSN)

SenML

- Require “logic” in purchase process

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