



# Connecting Securely to the Cloud

## Security Primer

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Transport Layer Security  
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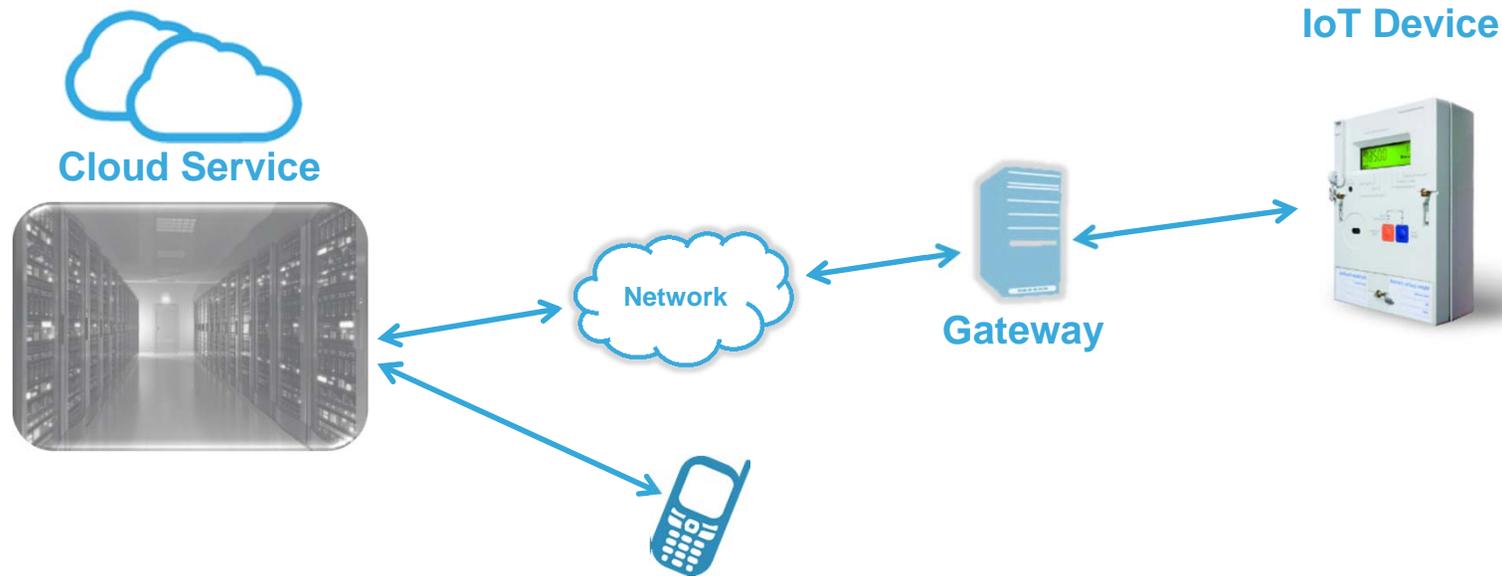
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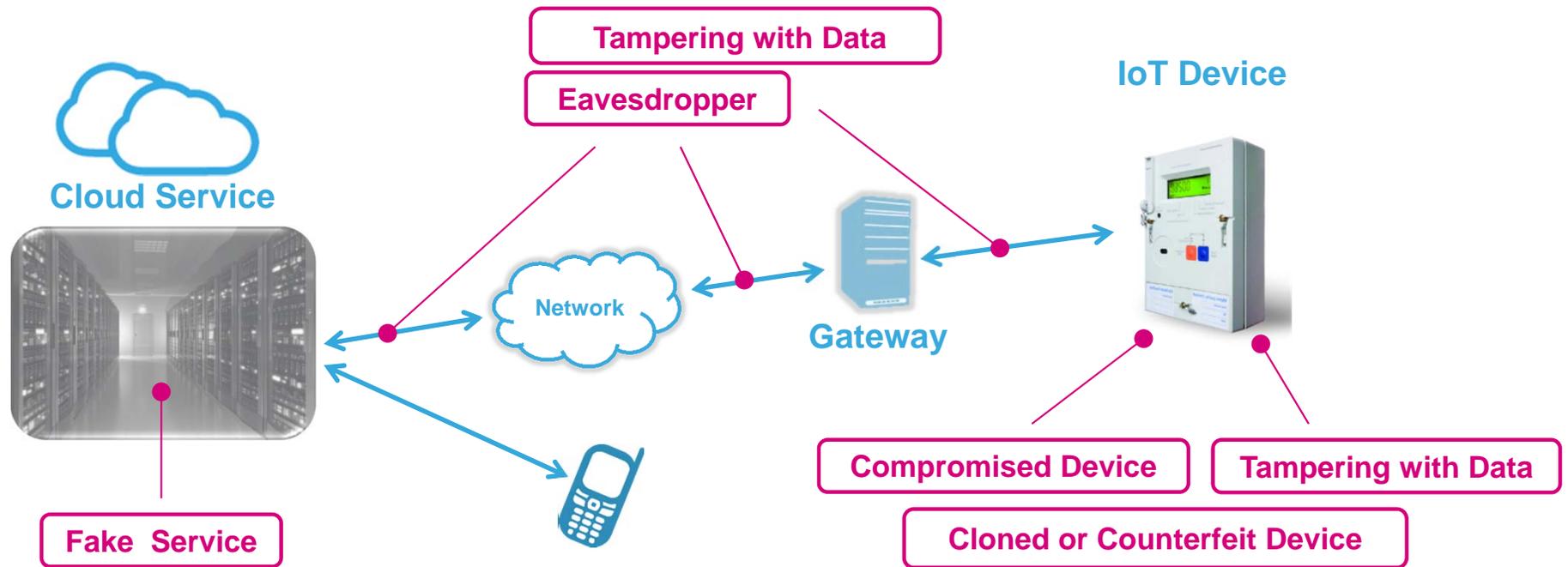


# Communications With A Cloud Service

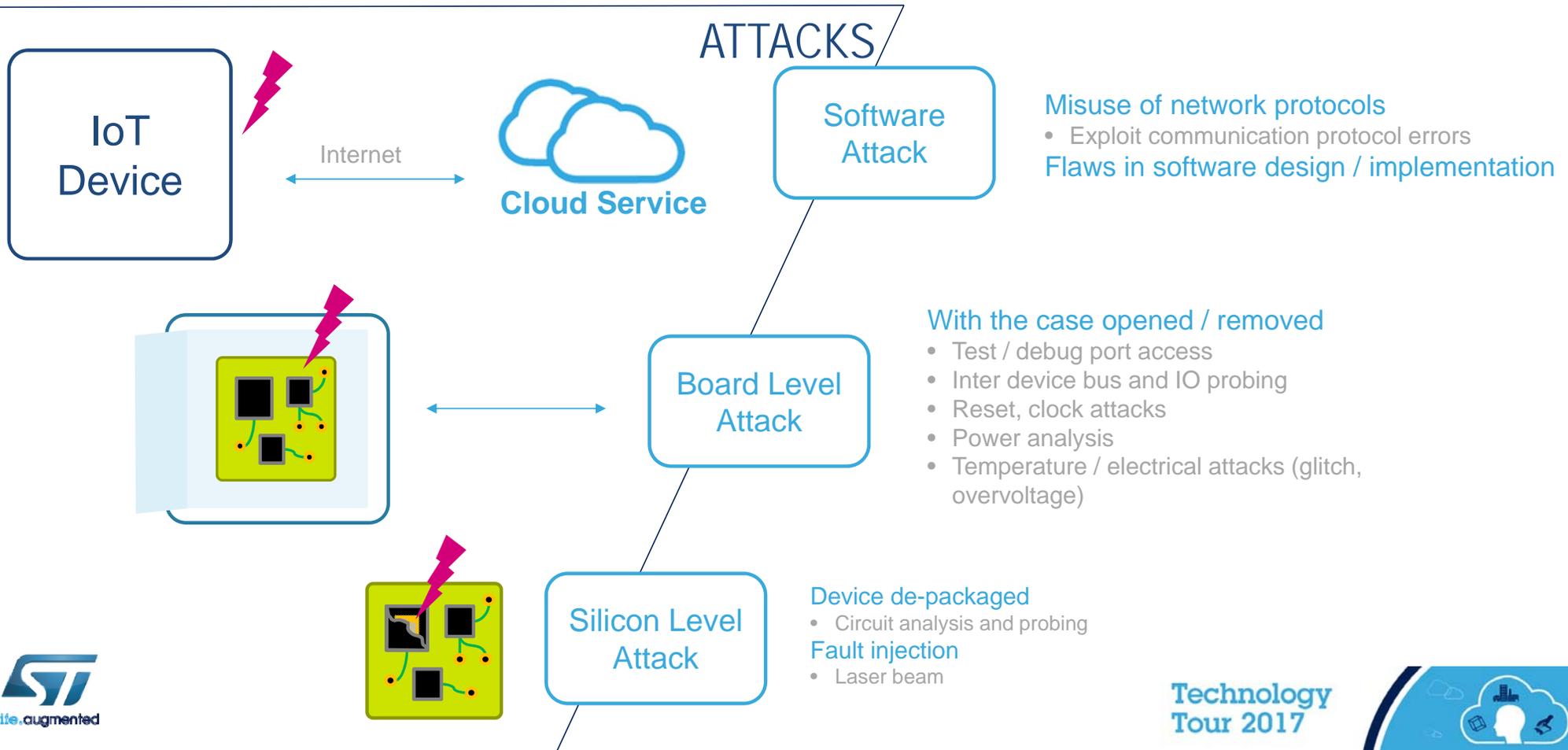
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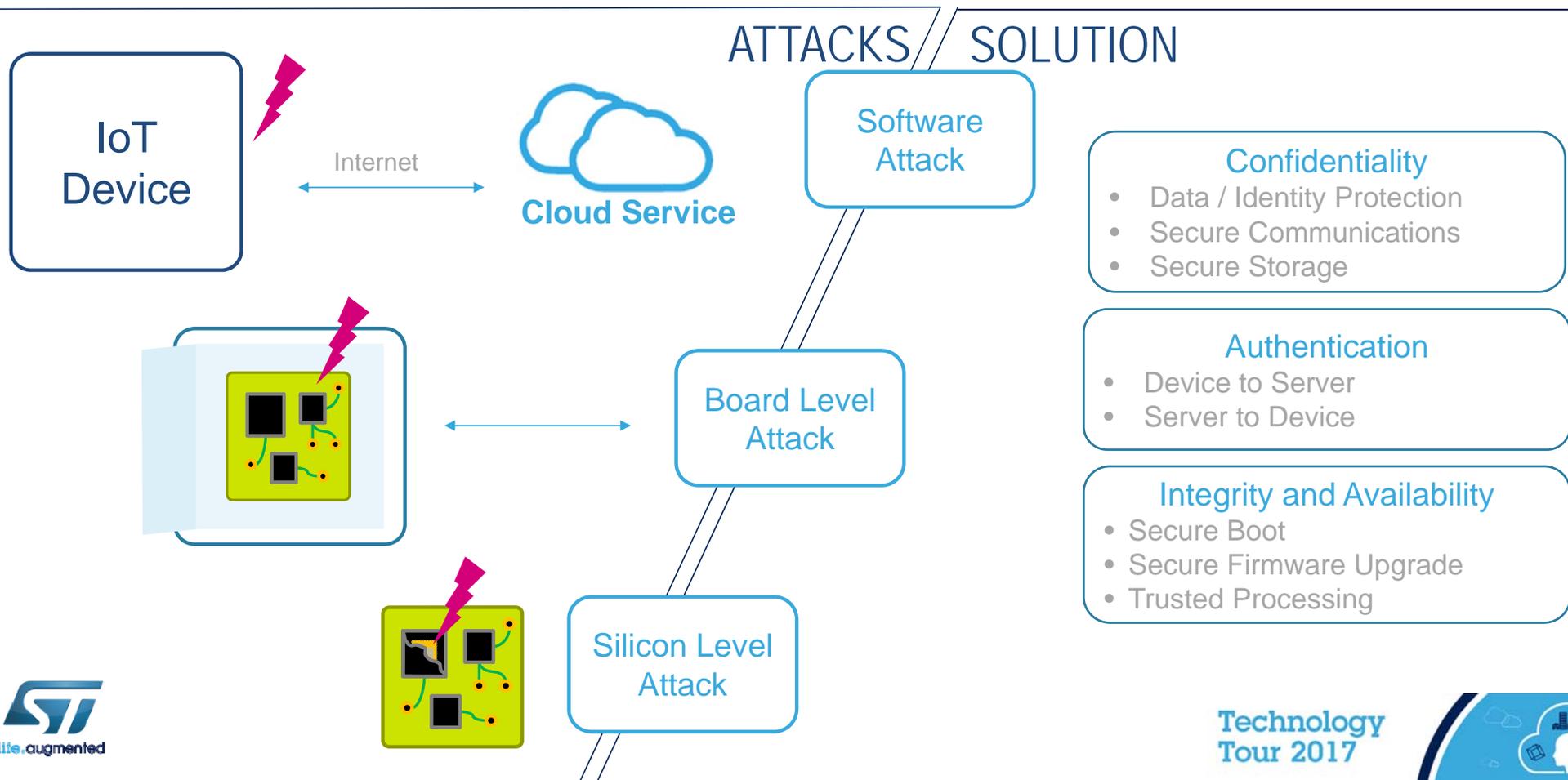
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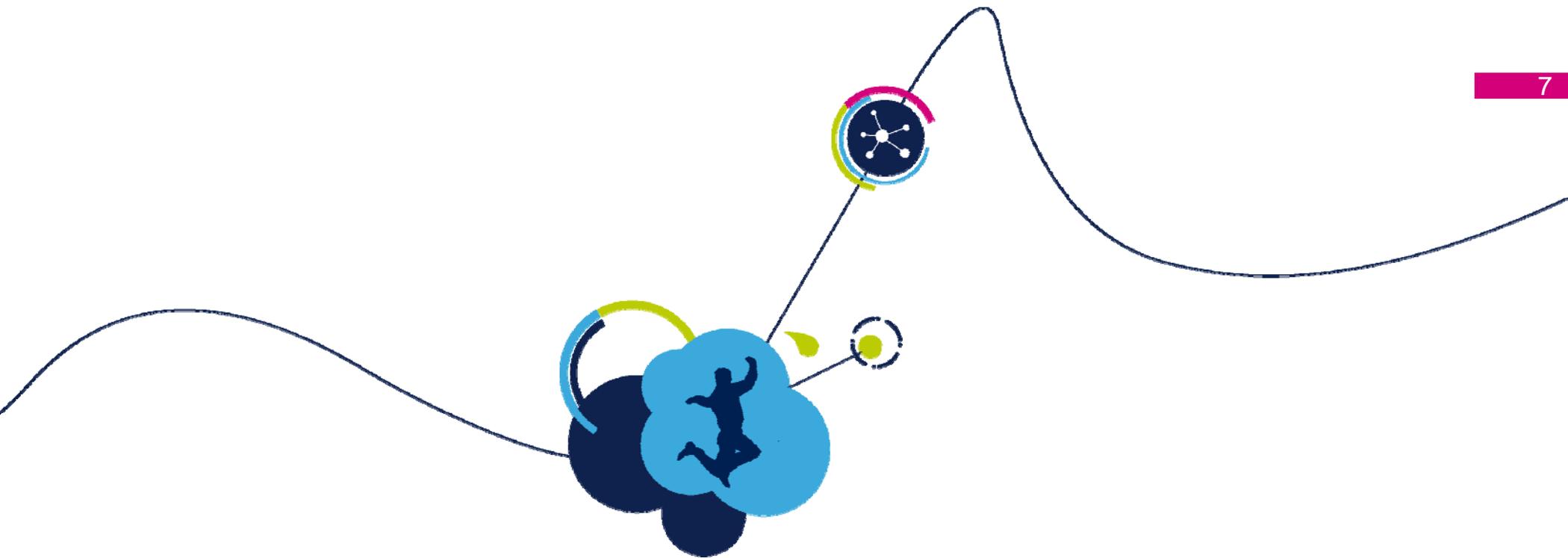


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# Securing the Connection

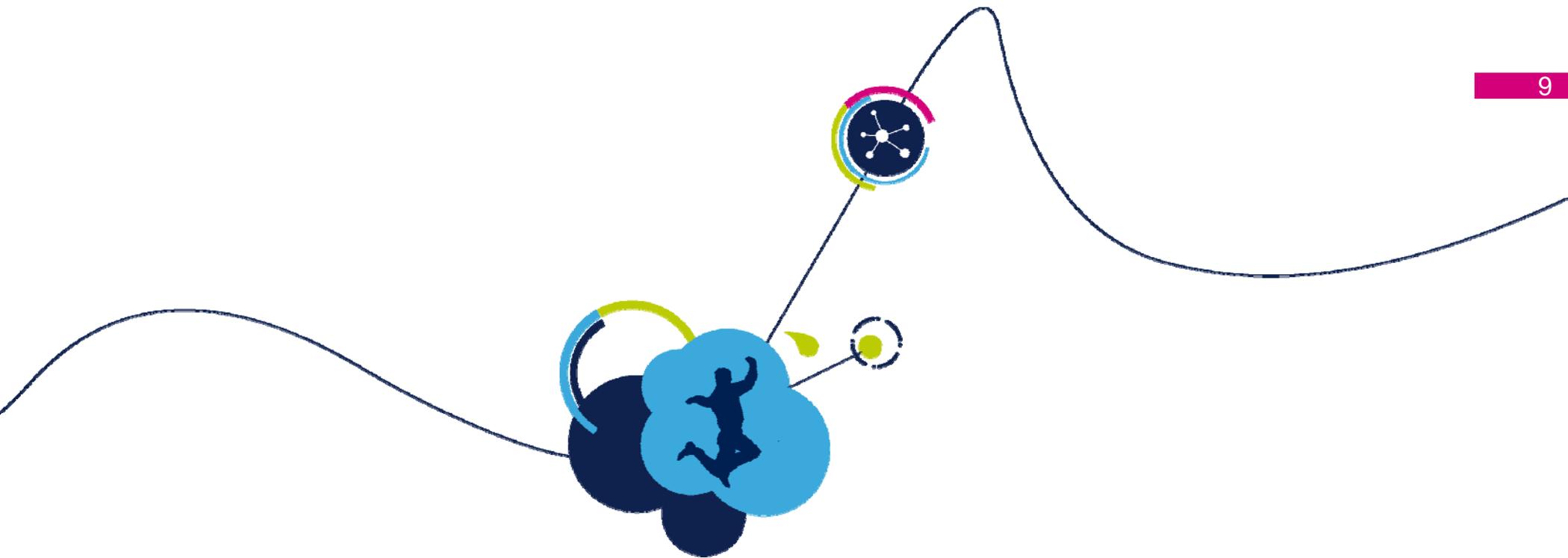


# Secure Communications



- Cloud Services have selected to use a standards based secure communication protocols
- Cloud Services vendors use "lightweight" messaging protocols like
  - MQTT - Message Queue Telemetry Transport (ISO / IEC PRF 20922)
  - CoAP - Constrained Application Protocol (RFC7252)
- These messaging protocols were designed for connections with remote devices with limited resources (memory / CPU) or where network bandwidth is limited
- These messaging protocols use Transport Layer Security (TLS) to secure communications





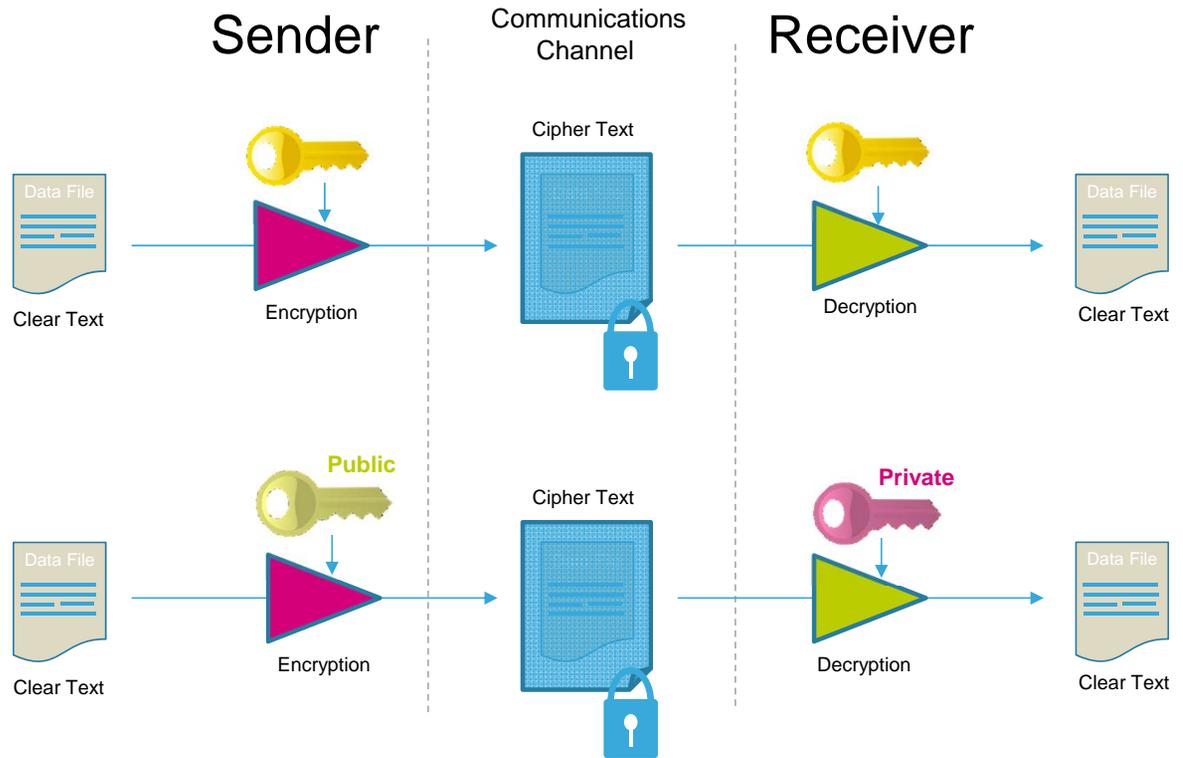
# Crypto Basics



# Cryptography

## One Key or Two?

Secret Key  
Cryptography  
(Symmetric)



Public Key  
Cryptography  
(Asymmetric)

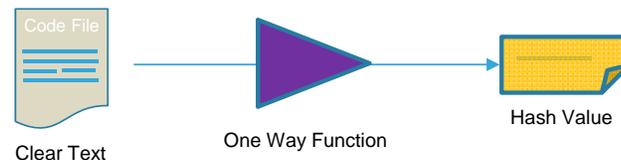


# Cryptography

## HASH Algorithms

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- Cryptographic Hash
  - Easy to compute and quick
  - A one way function, non-reversible (computationally infeasible to obtain the original message from the hash), unique (practically impossible for two different messages to generate same result)
  - Used in many processes like authentication, secure boot, secure downloads
- NIST (Secure Hashing Algorithm) SHA-2, SHA-3



Hash function has no key, and the clear text can not be recovered from the hash value



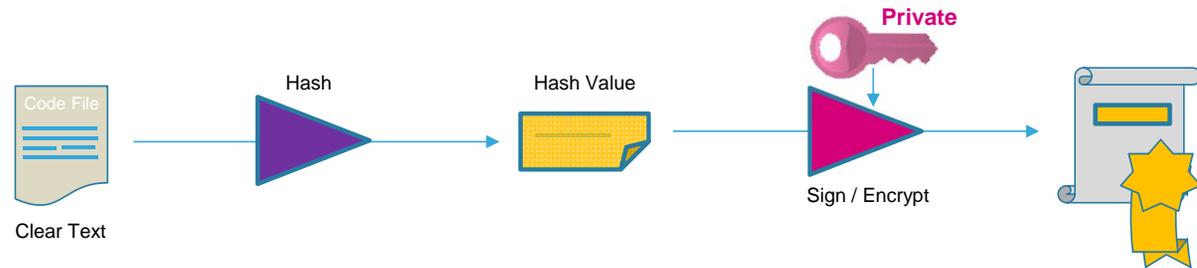
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## Digital Signatures

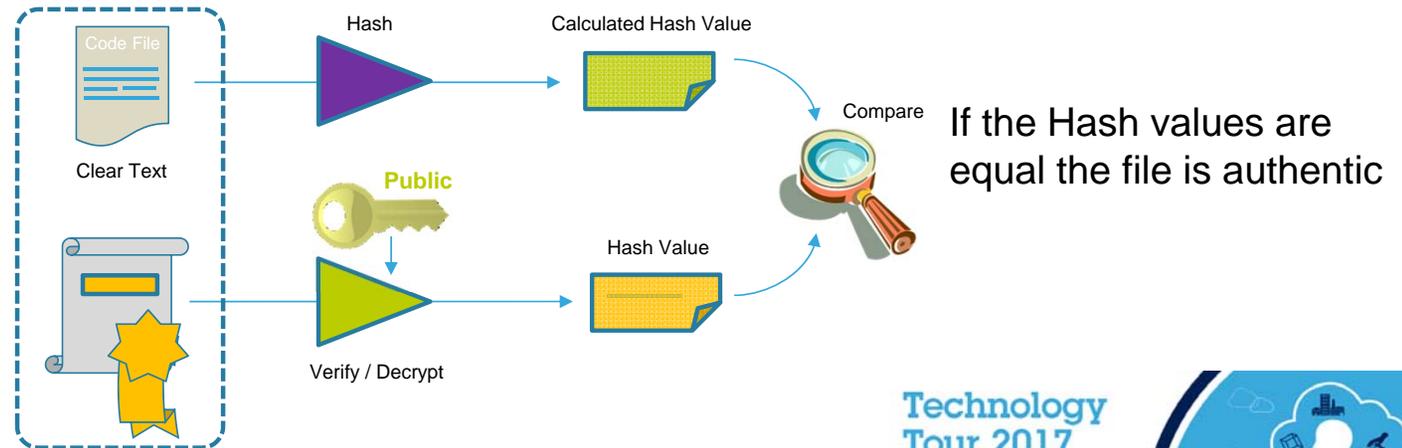
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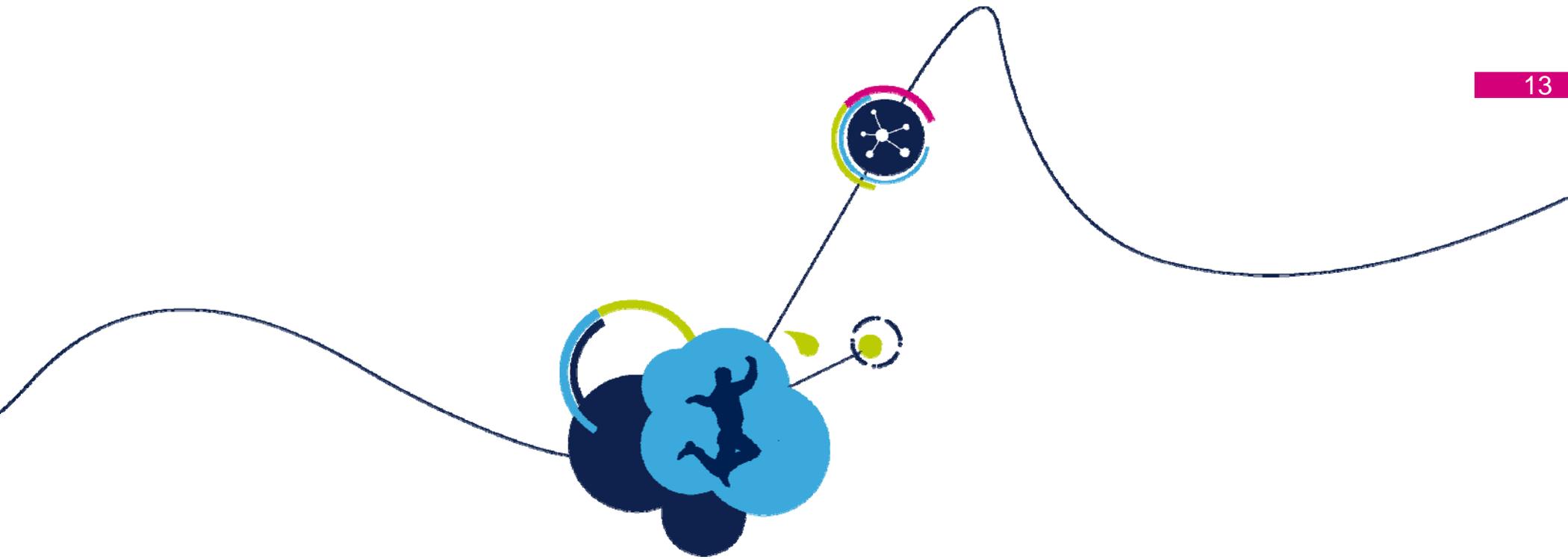
- Used to check the authenticity of information - code, files, messages, Public Keys

### Signing Using RSA



### Authentication Using RSA





# Transport Layer Security - TLS



# Transport Layer Security

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- Transport Security Layer - TLS (RFC 5446) protocol provides -
  - Device / Server Authentication (optional)
    - making use of asymmetrical crypto like :- RSA and ECC
  - Information Confidentiality / Data Protection
    - key exchange crypto like:- Diffie-Hellman
    - encryption using symmetric ciphers like :- AES, Triple DES
  - Message Integrity
- Makes extensive use of X.509 certificates and a Public Key Infrastructure
- Device authentication may be carried out at the Application Layer
- A IoT Device due to its limited capabilities (memory/processing) does not need to support a full crypto suite



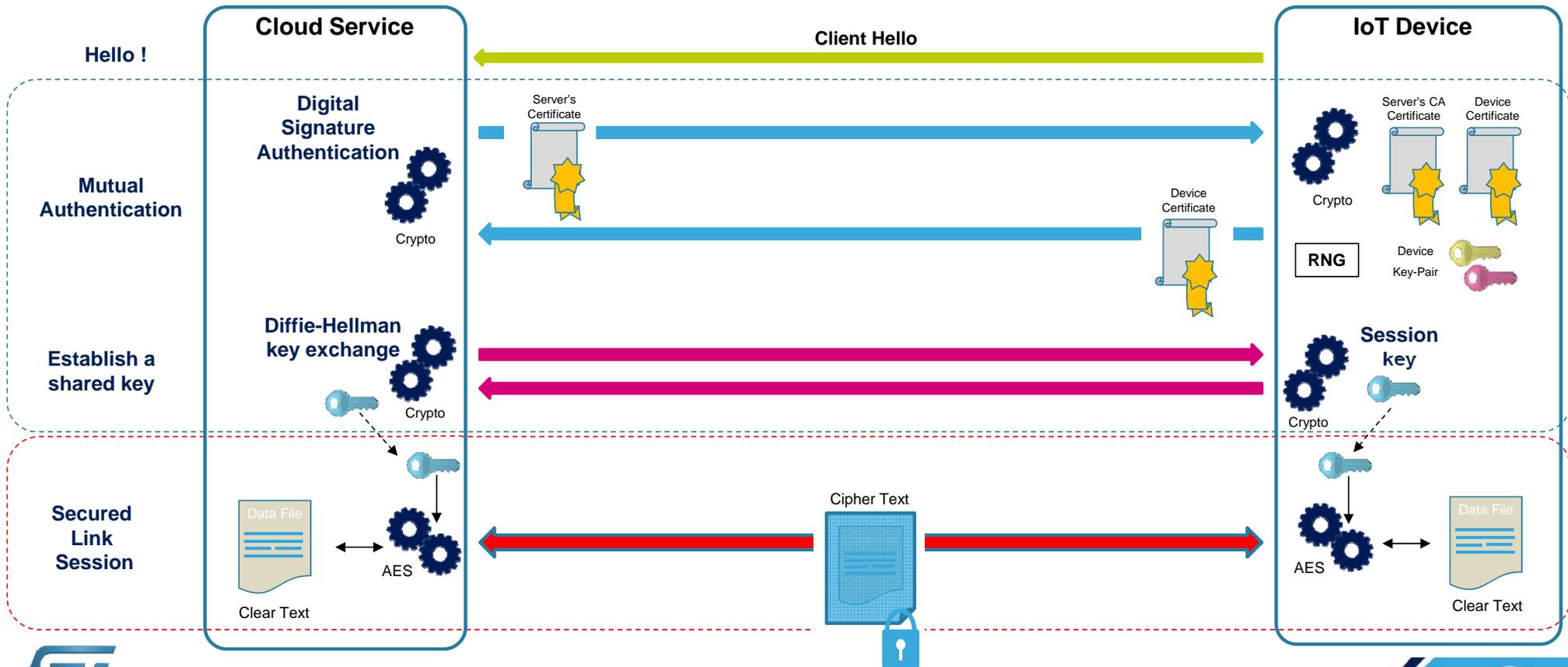
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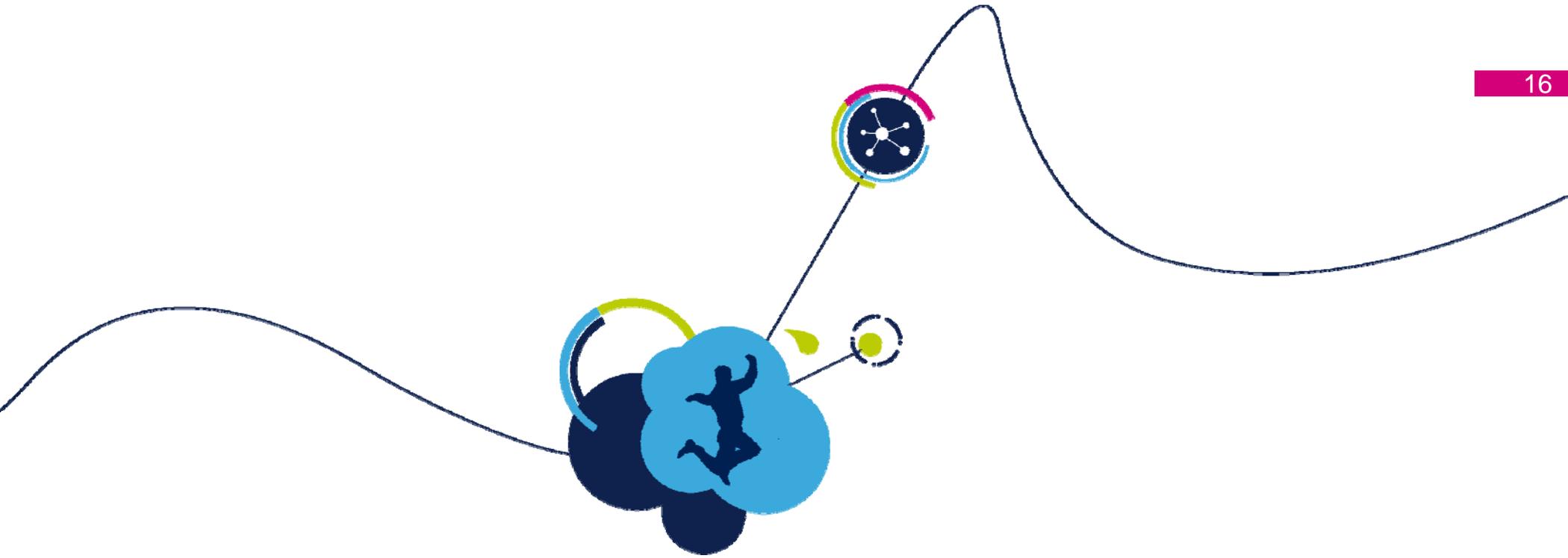


Server

IP Connection

Client





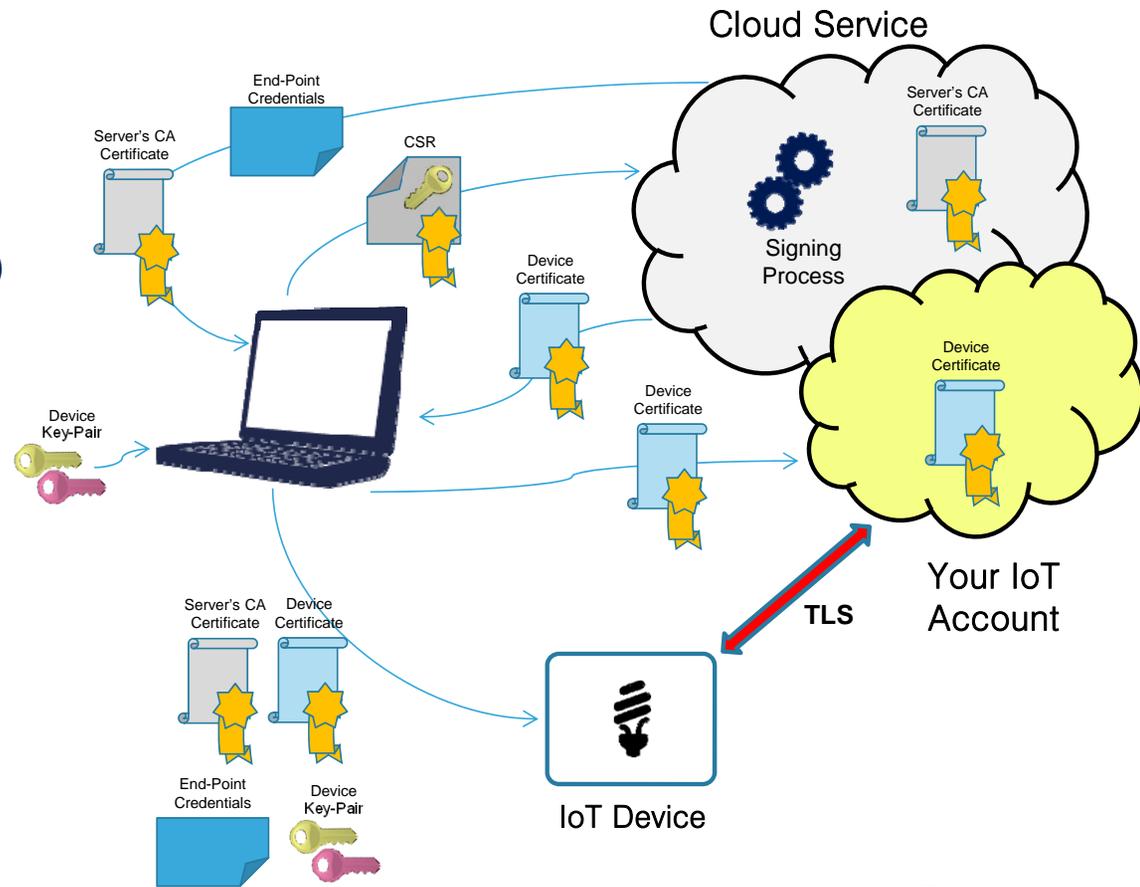
# Connecting to The Cloud



# Example of Registering to Cloud Service

- 1) Gather the End-Point Credentials and Server CA Certificate
- 2) Generate a Public/Private key pair
- 3) Create a Certificate Signing Request (CSR)
- 4) Request a Device Certificate
- 5) Register the Device Certificate into Your IoT Account
- 6) Program Certificates, End-Point Credentials and keys into the IoT Device

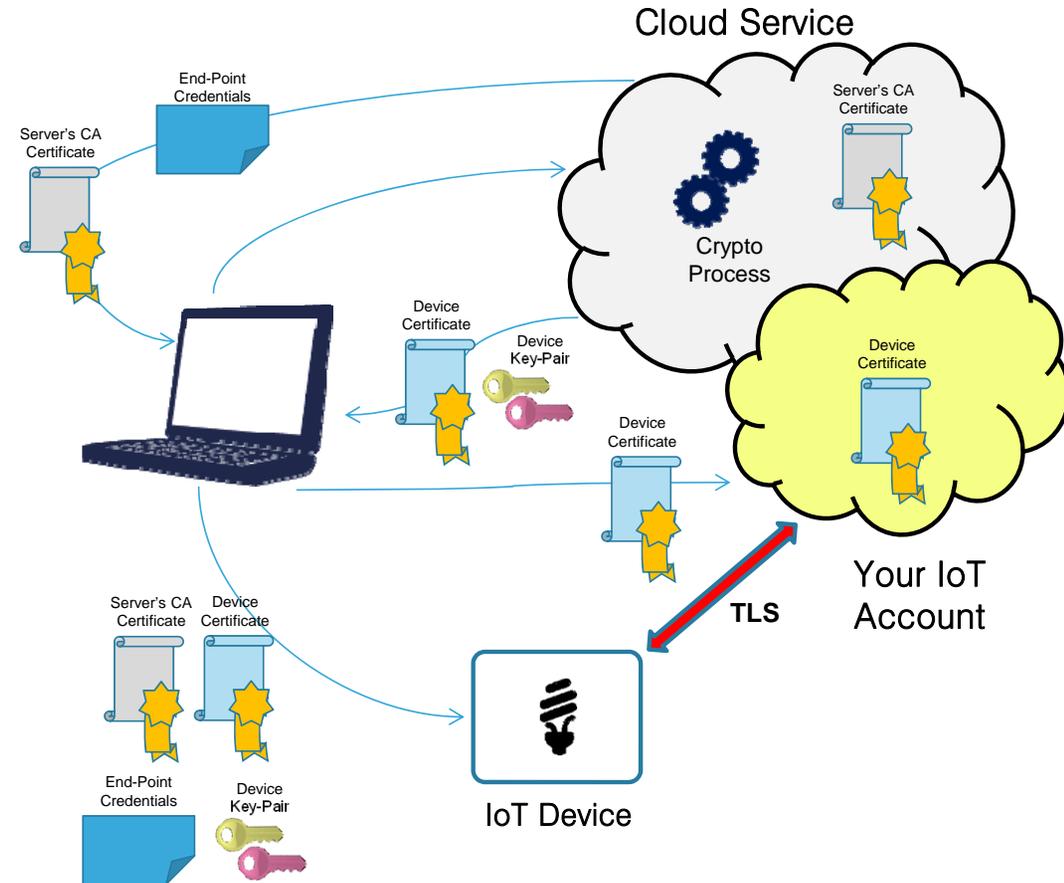
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# Registering Demo to Cloud Service

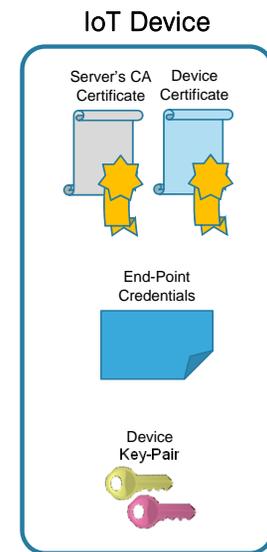
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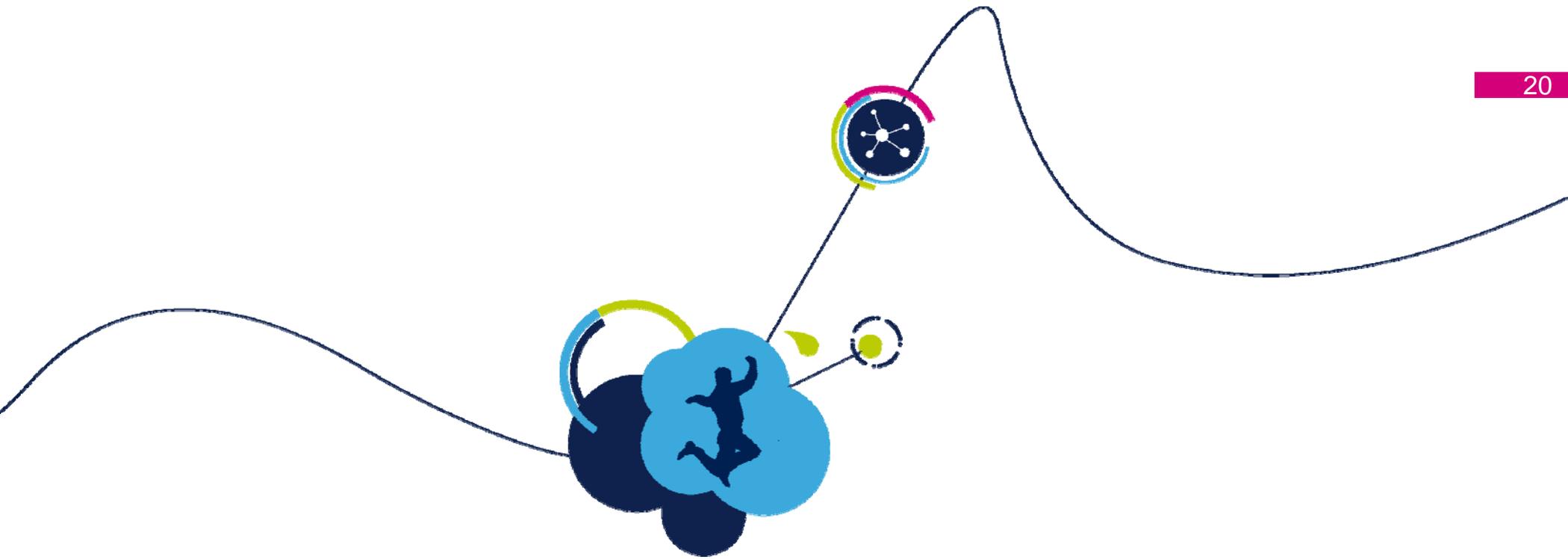
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# Handling TLS Credentials

- Protect the keys (especially the Private Key 🔑 )
- Store certificates and other credentials such that they cannot be easily replaced
- 95% attacks today are software

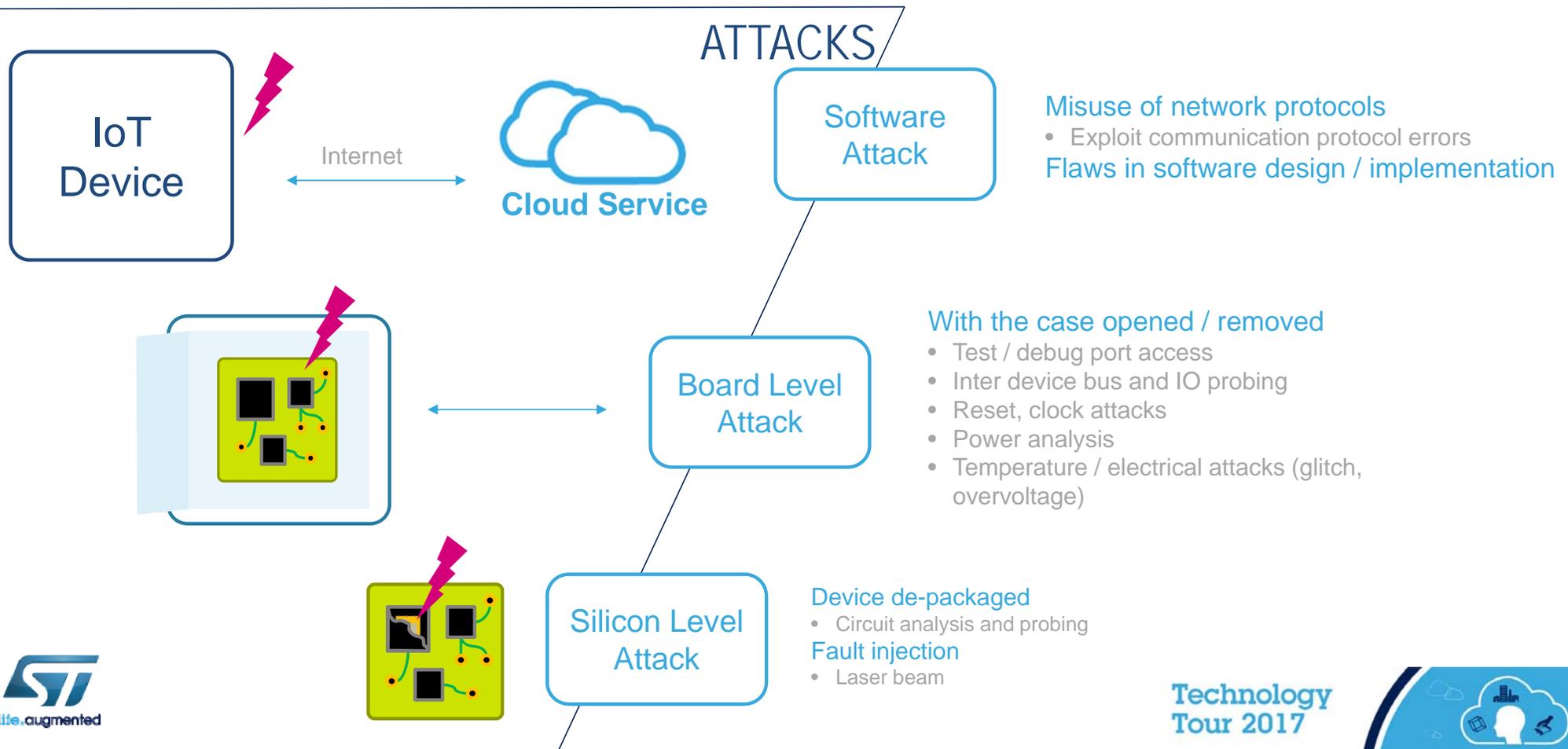




# IoT Device Integrity – Building Trust



# Classes of Attacks



# Security Needs for an IoT Device

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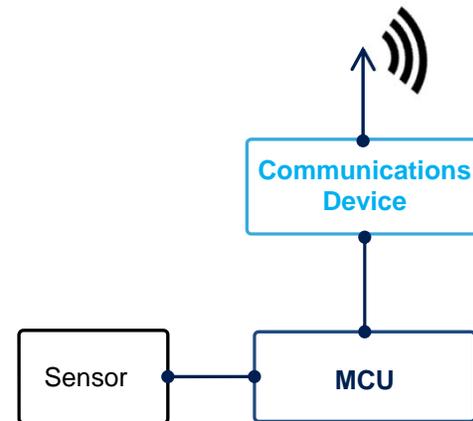
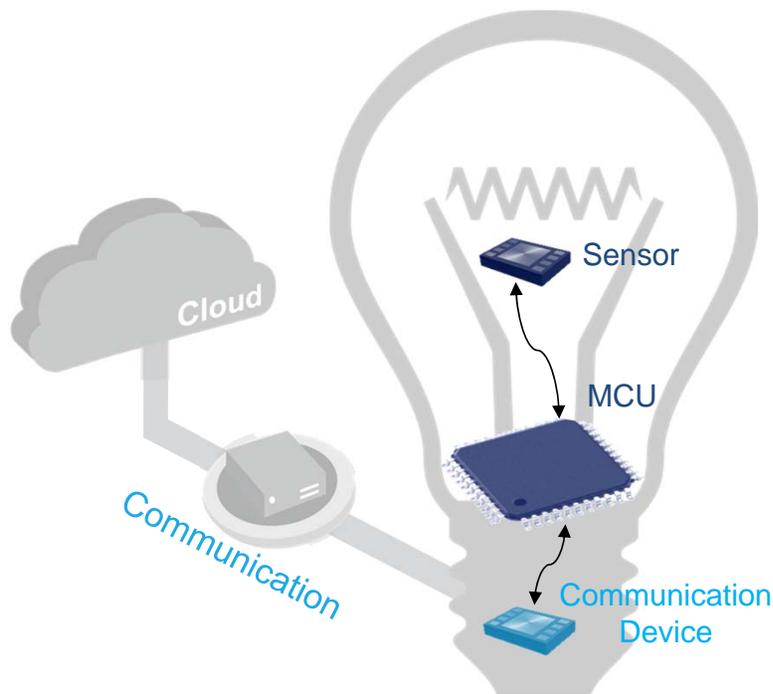


Cloud Service providers wish to protect their services, their network and their brand

- ✓ Information/data confidentiality and integrity through the use of cryptography
- ✓ Trust-worthiness through cryptographic authentication between communicating devices
- ✓ Trust-worthiness of the platform through device integrity



# Example of a Simple IoT Device



# Security Layering

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- Silicon Security Features

- Used to establish a robust platform on which trusted processes and associated cryptography can be performed

- Secure Boot-Loader (SB)

- Establishing a Root-of-Trust
- Verifying firmware image on every boot



- Secure Firmware Update (SFU)

- Building a system that can evolve to counter new threats, add new functionality, fix bugs in a controlled and secure way once device is in the field



## Application

- Access control and right management
- Feature and product management

## Secure Communications Layer

- TLS / DTLS

## Physical Layer

- Network physical layer security
- e.g. WiFi – WPA2, 802.11i,

## Device Security Services

- Secure Boot, Secure Firmware Update

## Silicon Security Features

Firewall

PCROP

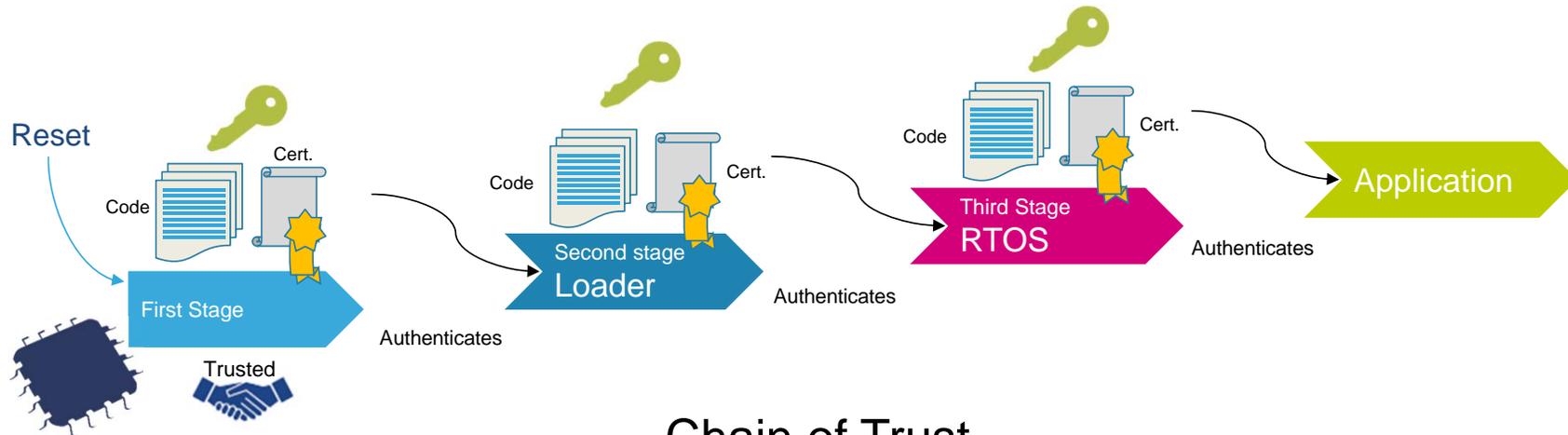
RDP

WRP

MPU



- Secure Boot uses cryptographic functions to confirm the authenticity of firmware before allowing it to run
- A multi-stage boot process consists of each stage authenticating the next

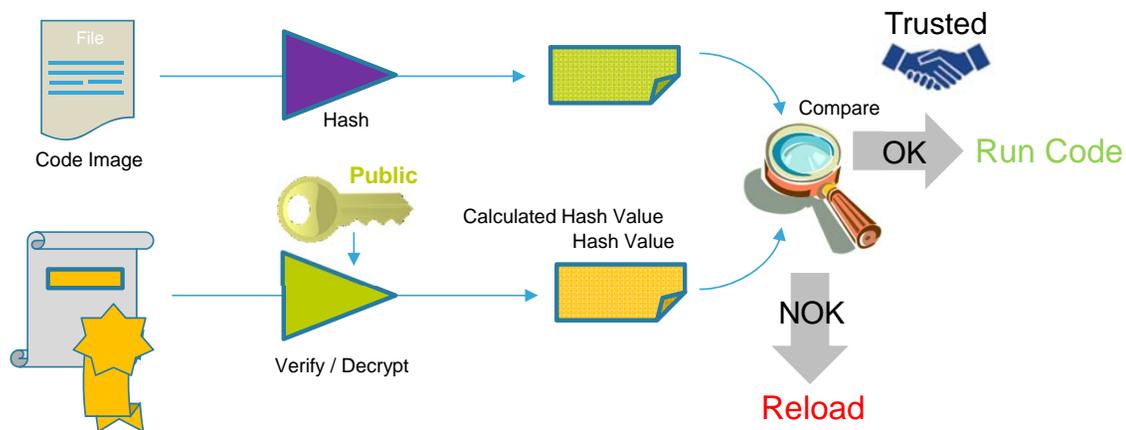


Chain of Trust

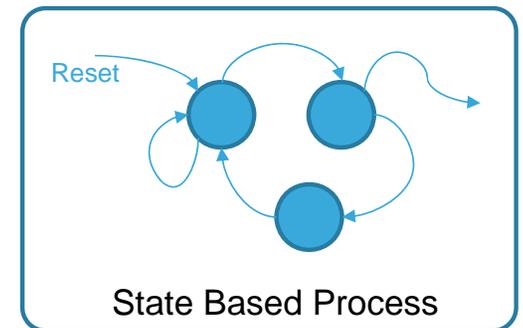


# Secure Boot Process

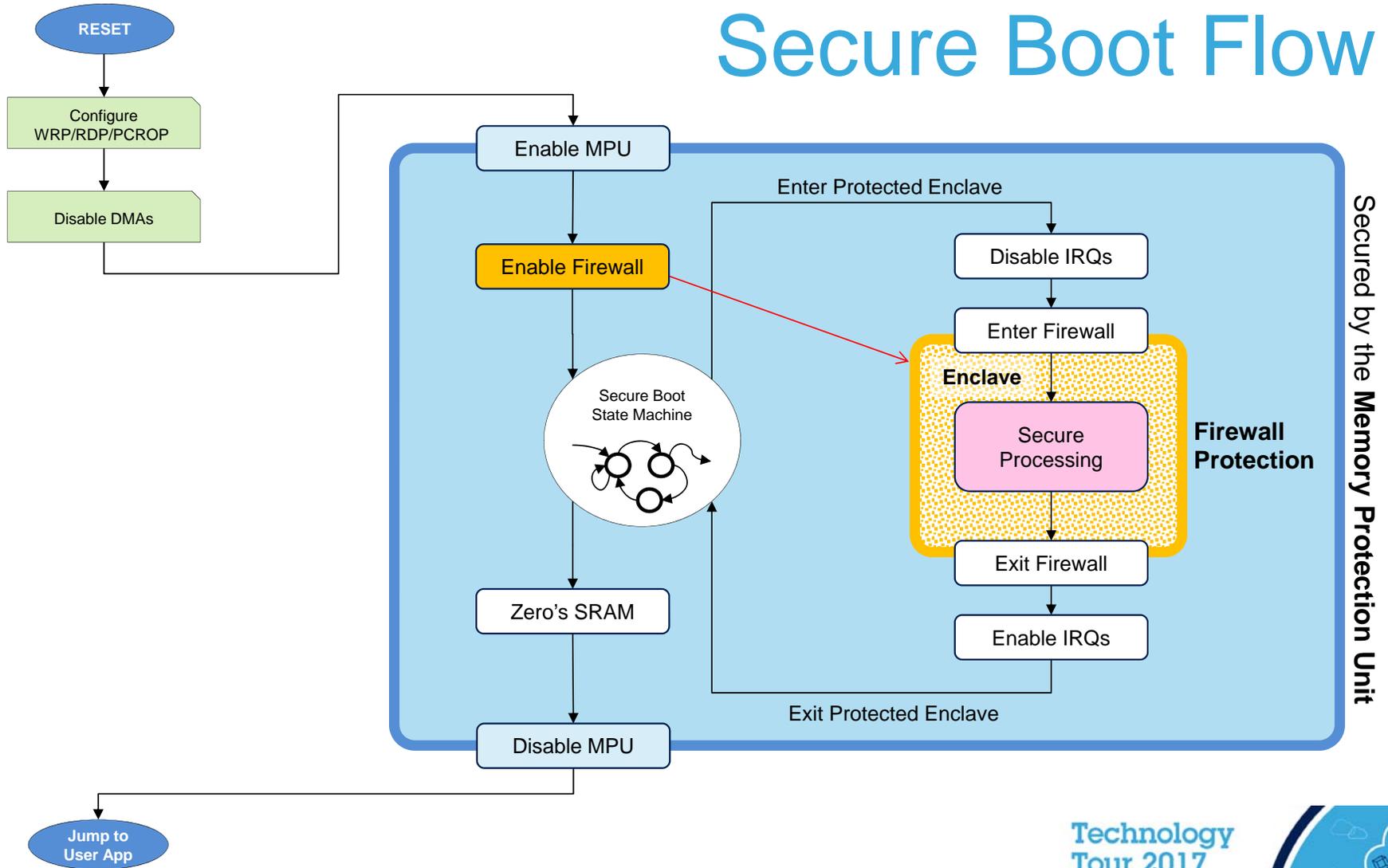
- Performed after a RESET, using a Public Key  stored in the device
- It is a stateful process for predictable behavior



Code Authentication

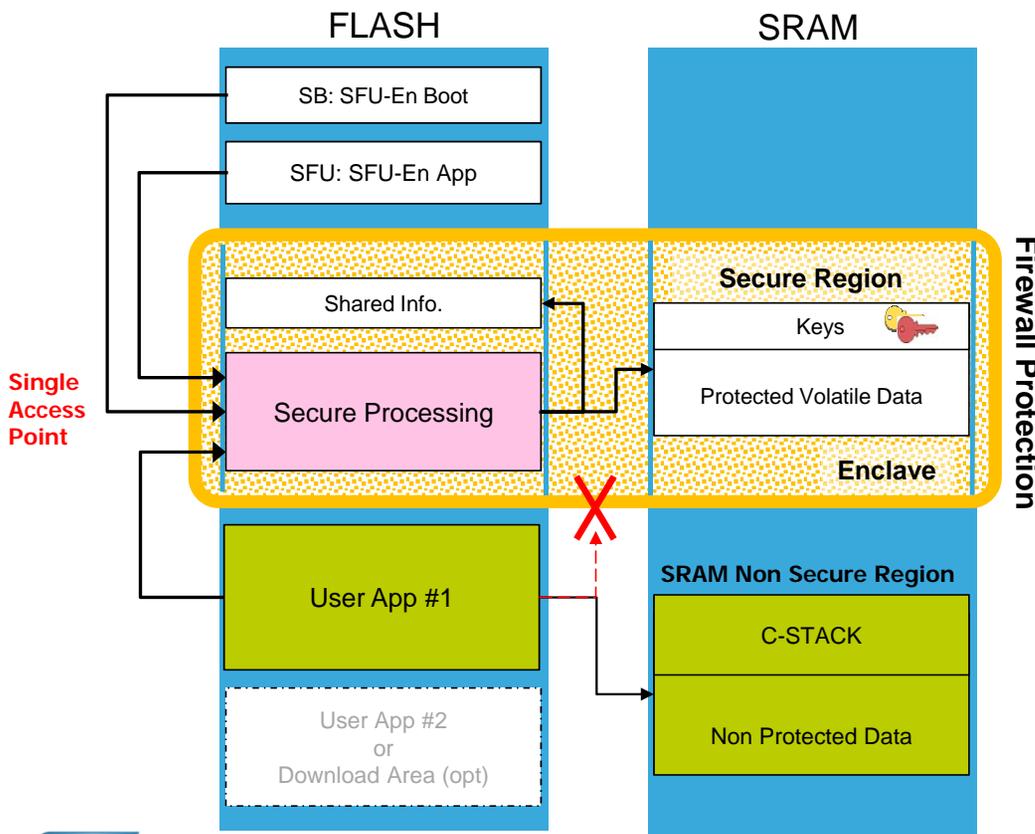


# Secure Boot Flow





# Secure Processing

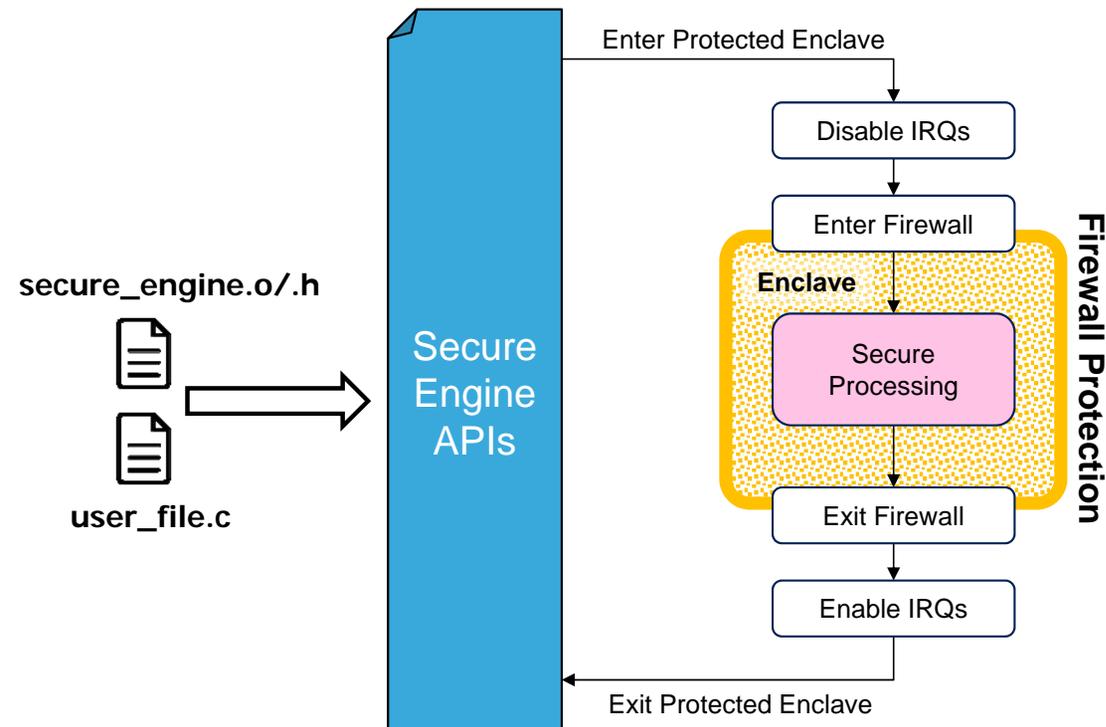


- Secure Processing Environment
  - Secure cryptographic functions
  - Protected access to **Shared Info.** data-space
- Single access point – Call Gate
  - Code segment cannot be executed without passing through it
  - Volatile and Non-Volatile Data cannot be accessed from outside
- Environment Configured to protect -
  - Volatile data (SRAM)
  - Non-volatile data (FLASH)
  - Code - no jump calls



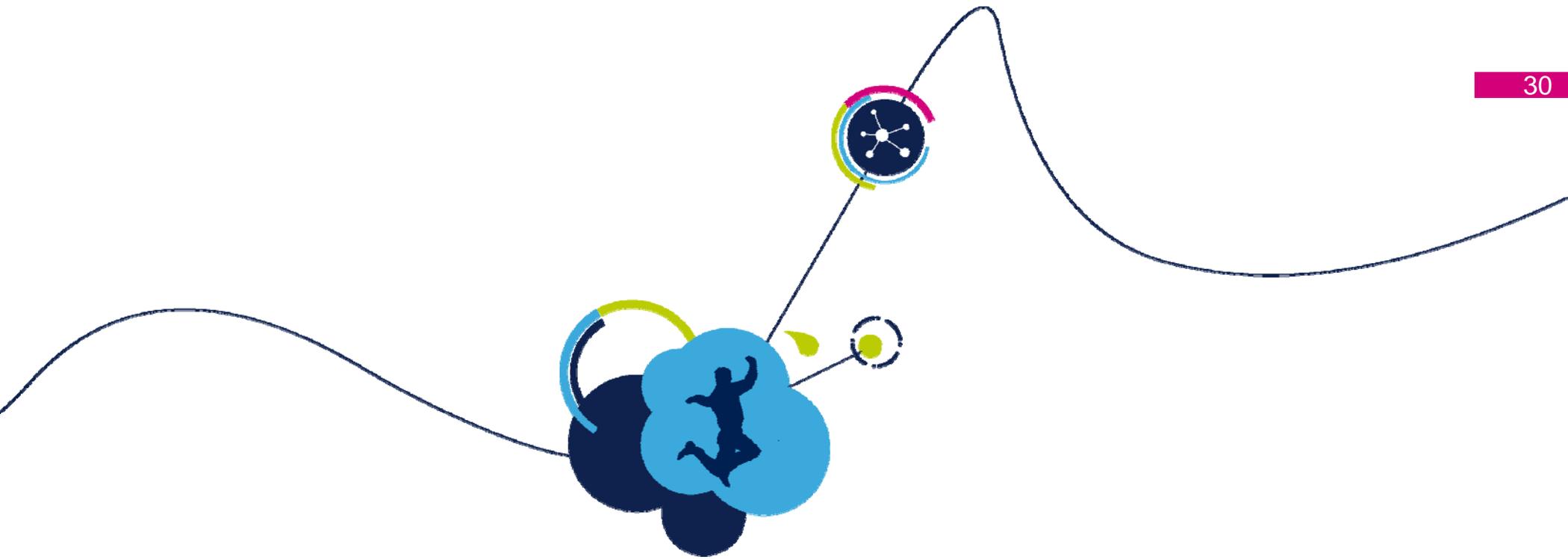
# Secure Engine APIs

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- Wrapper of internal protected functions
  - Encryption / Decryption
  - Shared Info. - Read / Write
- User-level APIs handling
  - Parameter parsing for the single Secure Engine
  - Entering and exiting of the secure environment



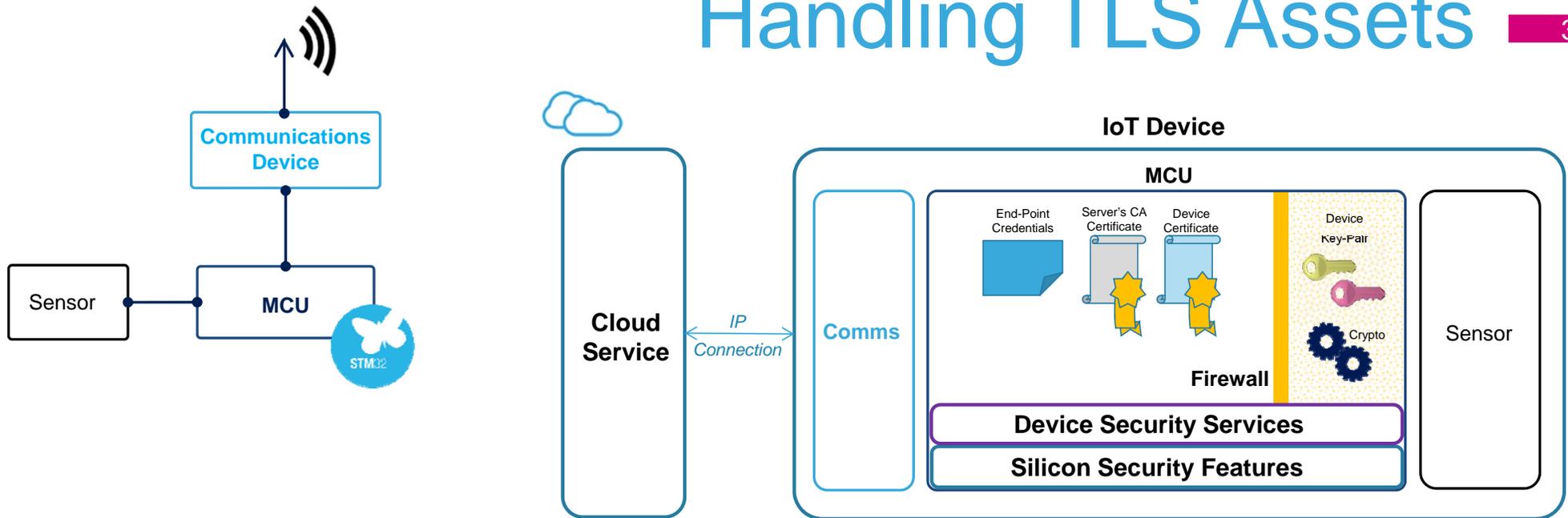


# Handling TLS Assets



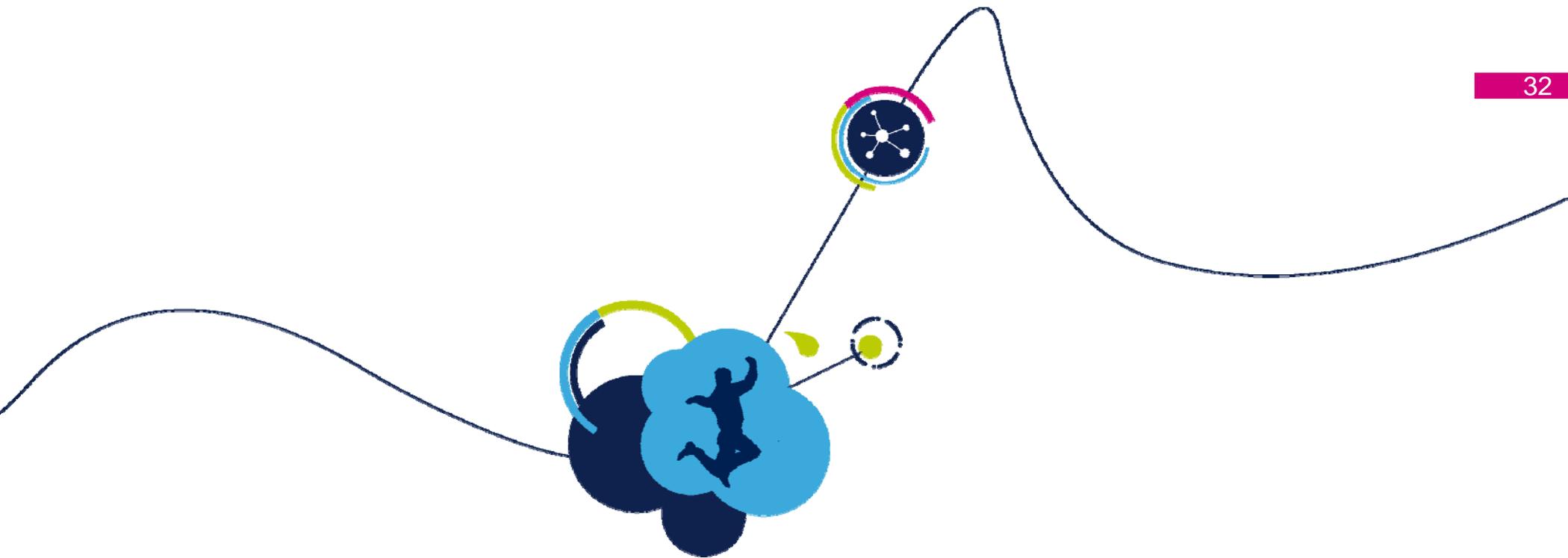
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- Make use of the security mechanisms provided by the MCU to protect code, cryptographic functions and protect the keys (especially the Private Key 🗝)
- Store certificates and credentials in such that they cannot be easily replaced

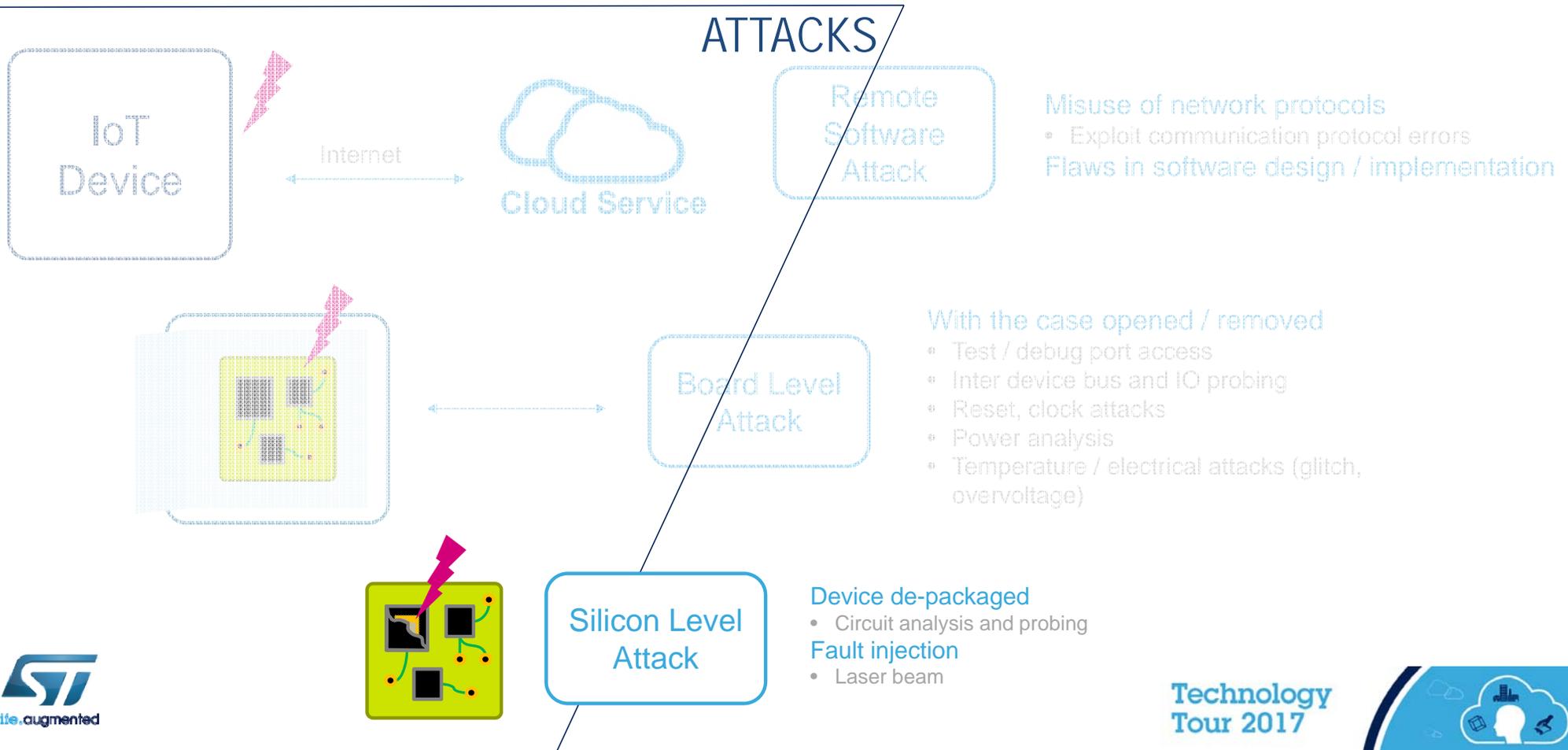




# Enhanced Integrity by adding a Secure Element

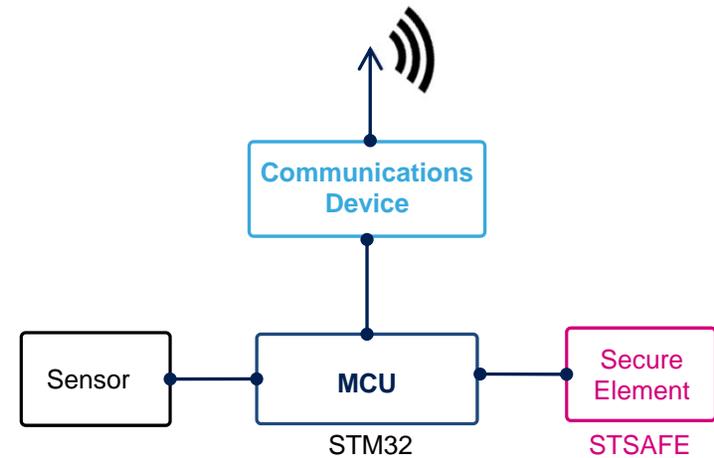
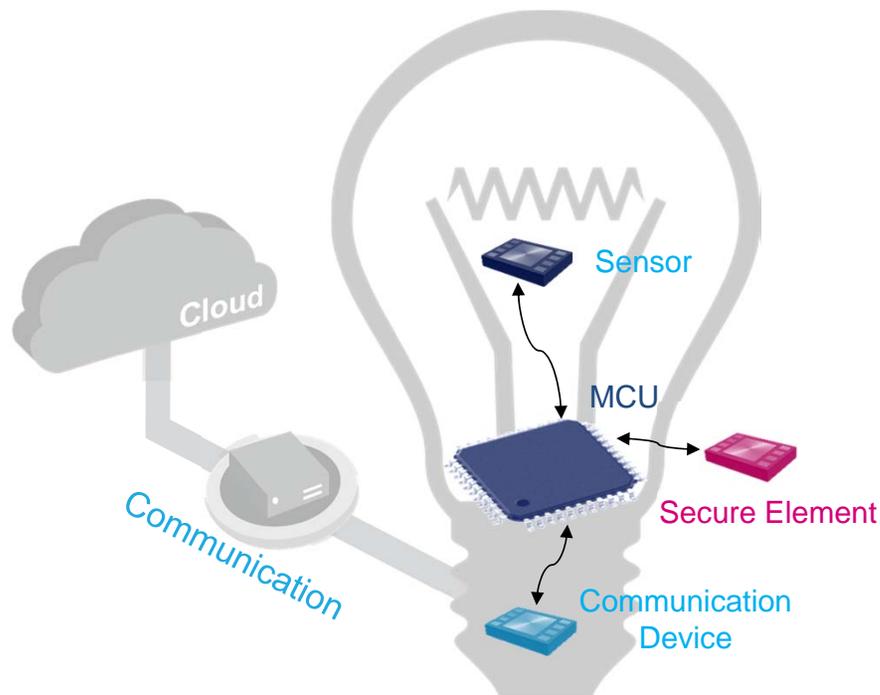


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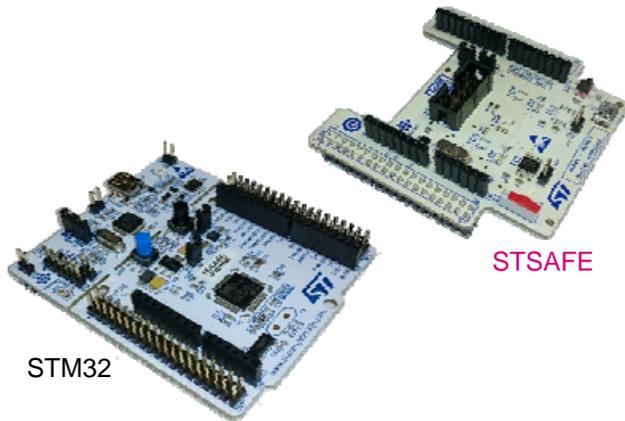
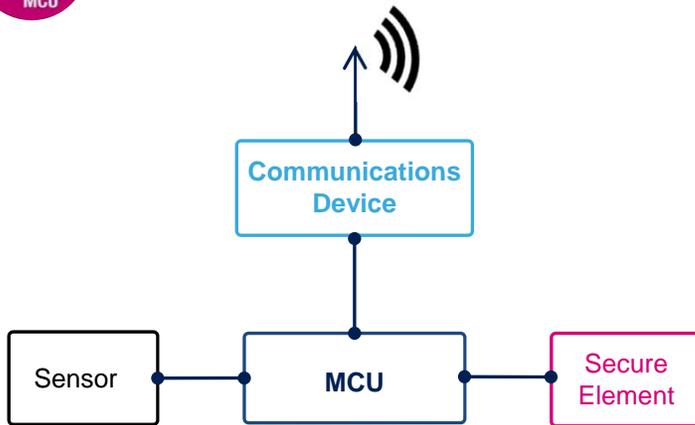
To Improve Integrity





# Adding a Secure Element

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- A Secure Element is designed to thwart silicon invasive attacks
- Independently assessed, achieving very high standards like **EAL5+ Common Criteria Certified**
- Protects keys and performs cryptographic functions (ECC, AES)
  - For Secure Communications, Boot and Firmware Updates
- Provides a Secure Data Store
- Secure keys and certificates are provisioned during the manufacturing process

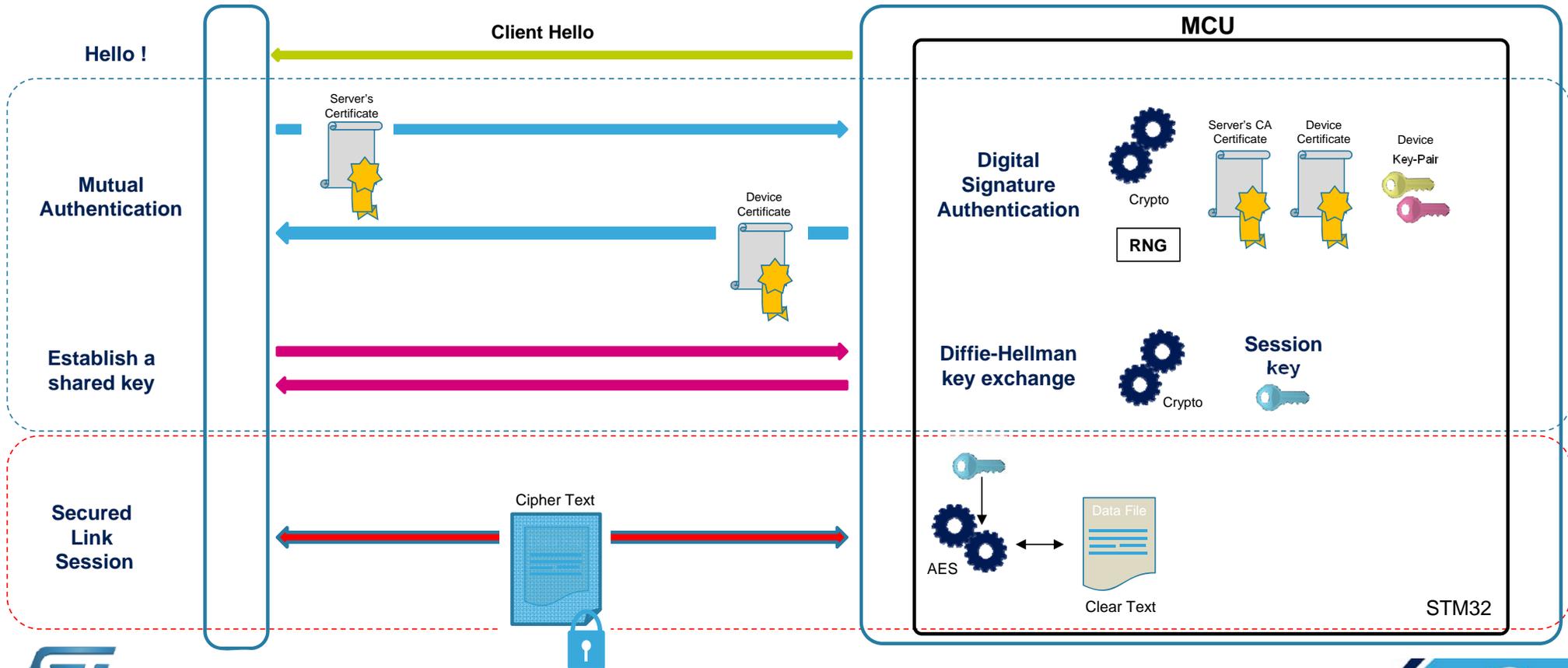


# TLS Exchange using an MCU



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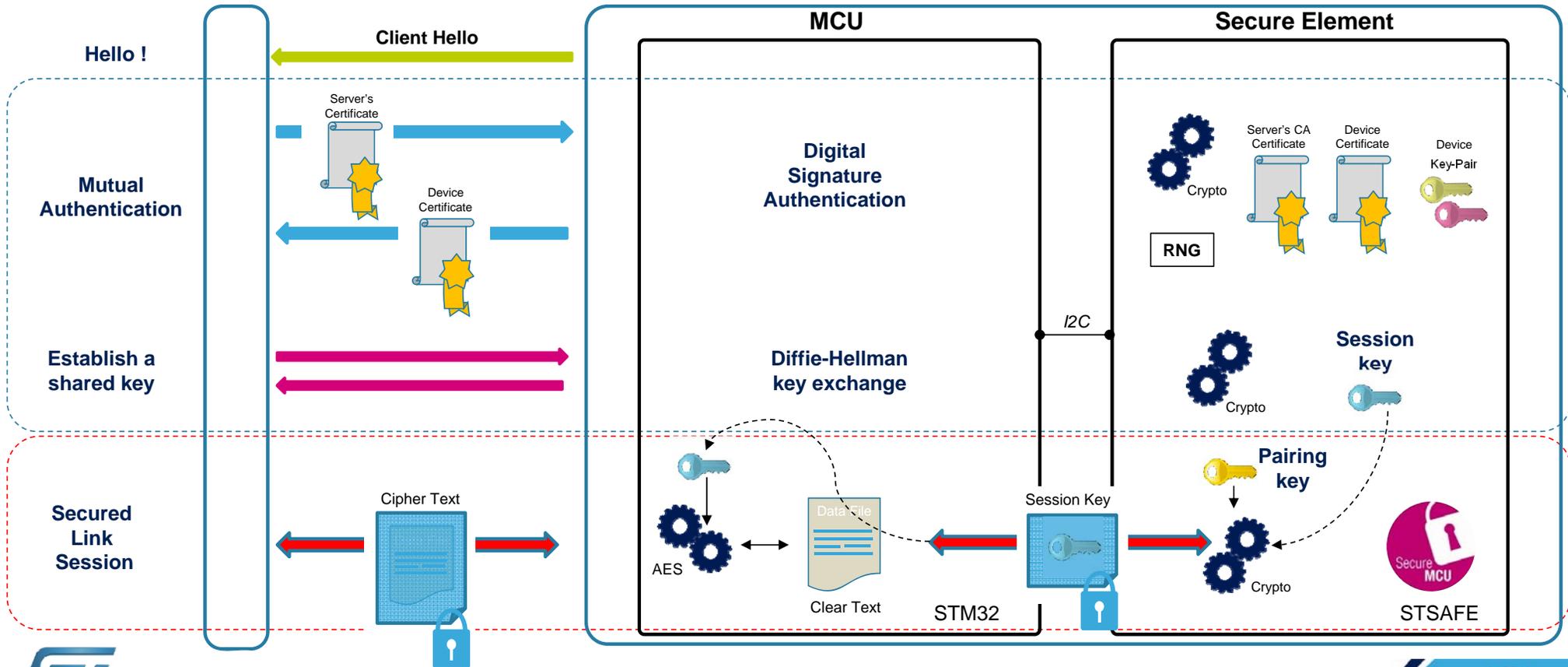
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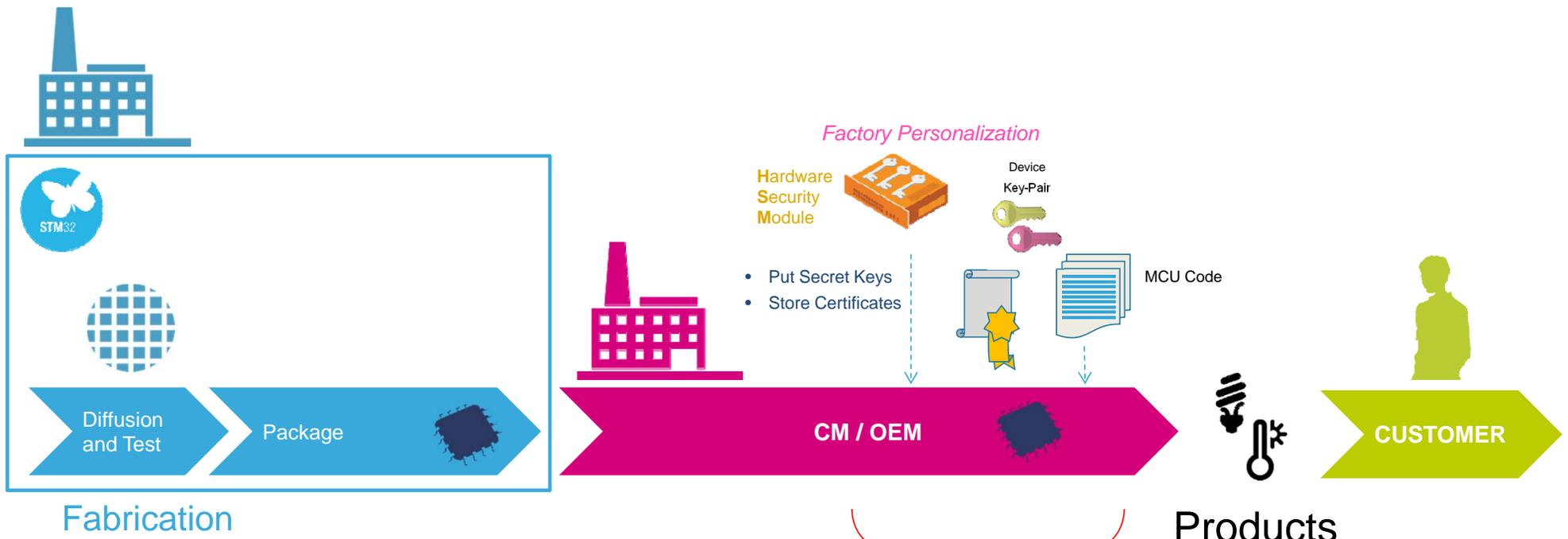
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# Production Flow with Personalization

Standard MCU



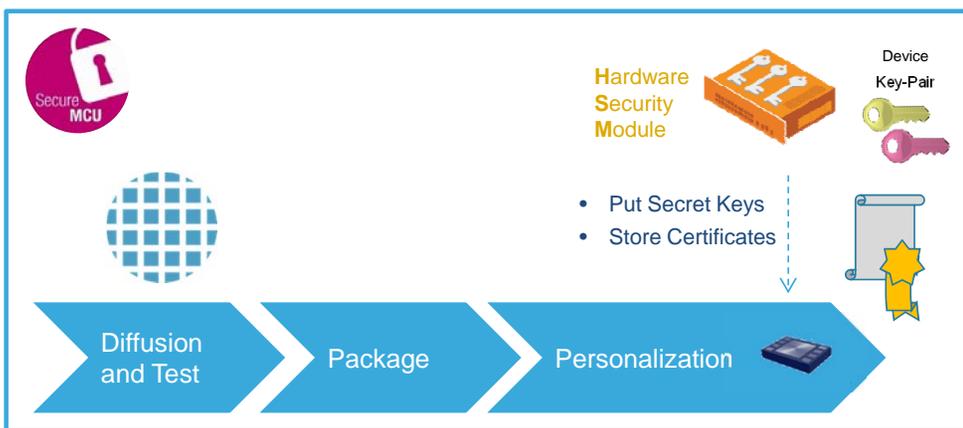
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Secure Element

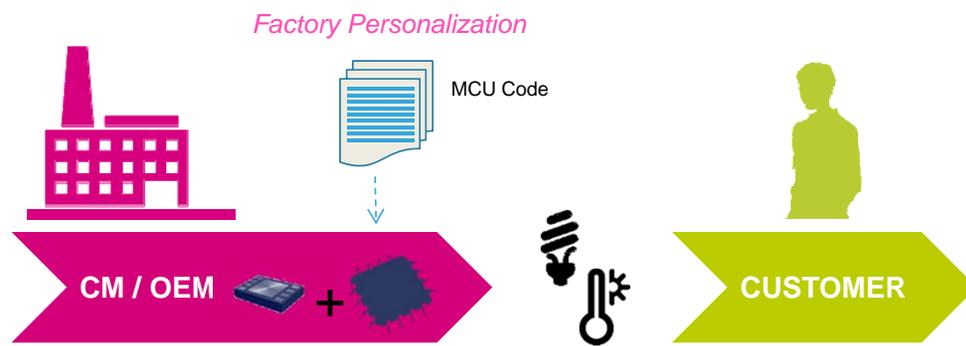


## ST Secure Factory Personalization

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Fabrication and Personalization Phases

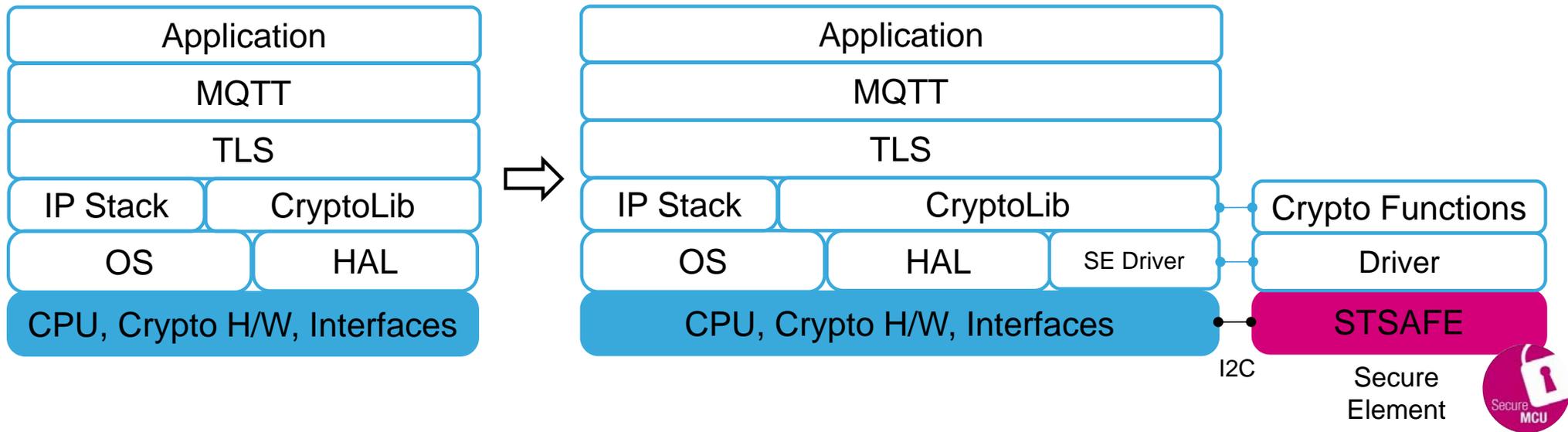


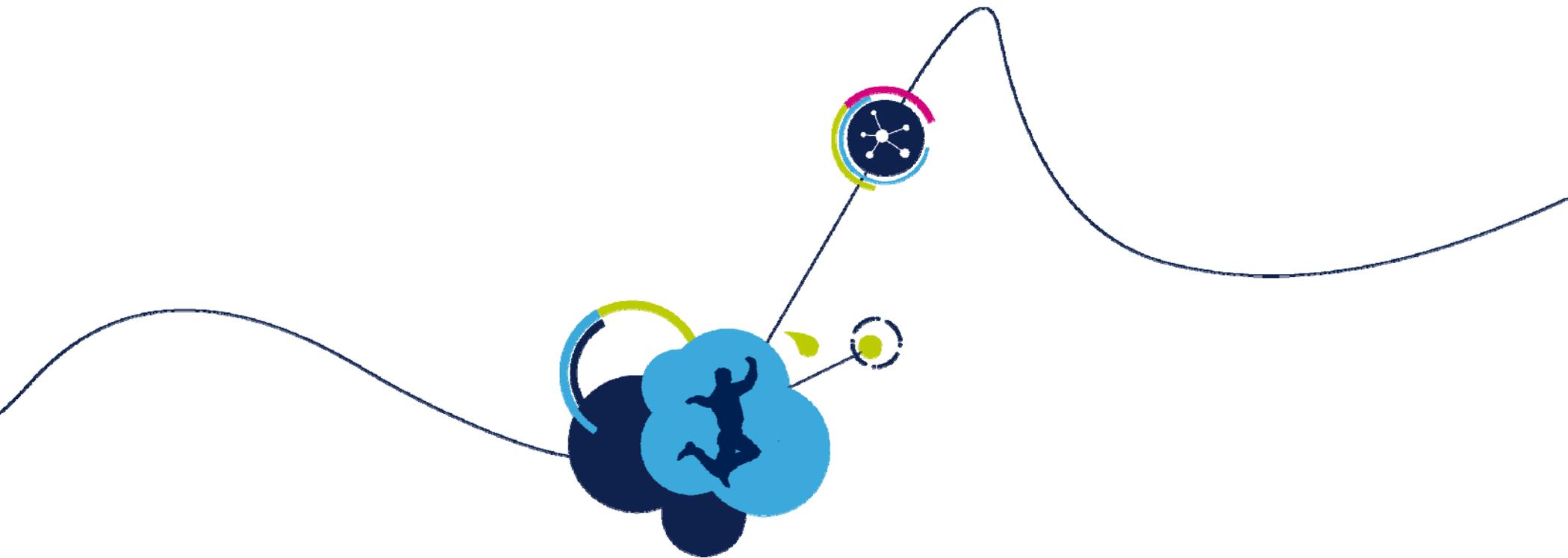
Products



# Impact on Software Stack

- The Secure Elements crypto functions replace software implementations in the Crypto Library





# Conclusion

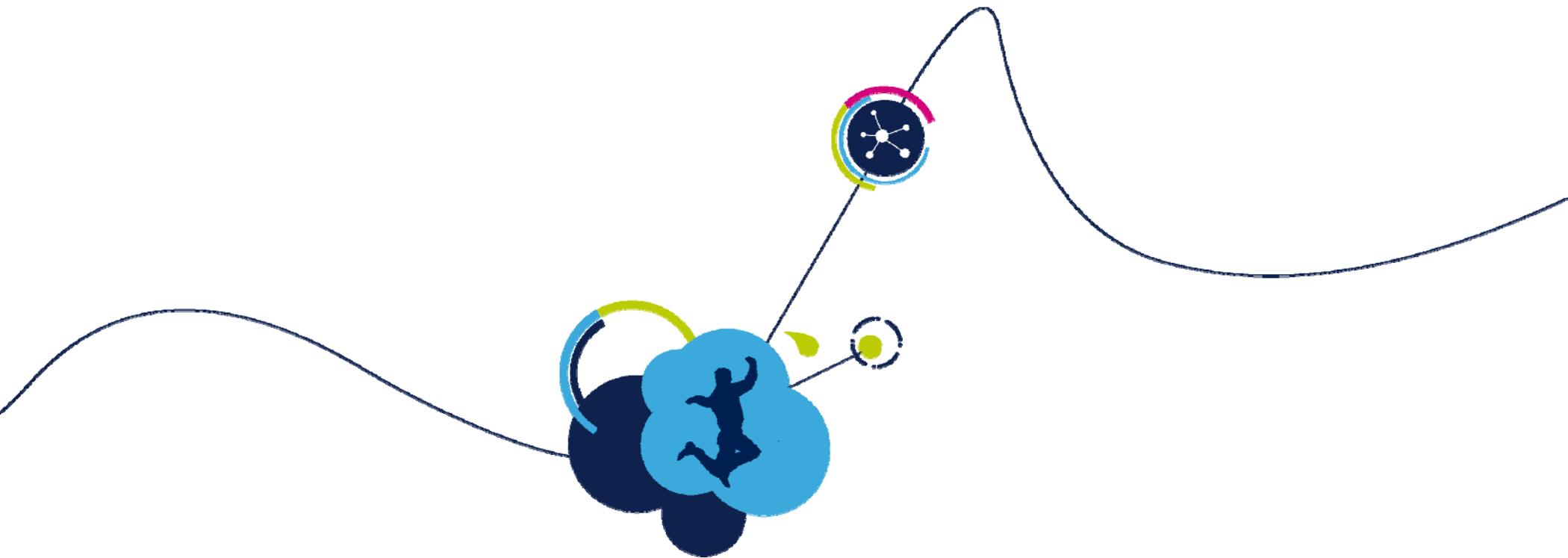


# Conclusion

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- Internet of Things presents a wealth of opportunities, a growth for commerce but an increased risk of theft, mischief and damage or loss of life
  - Secure communications is essential for success
- Secure and trustworthy IoT devices, well fortified against threats, are essential
  - Design products resistant against threats throughout their life-cycle
  - Most of the software related attacks today can be thwarted by good firmware development practices
- Consider enhancing your IoT Devices integrity by using a Secure Element



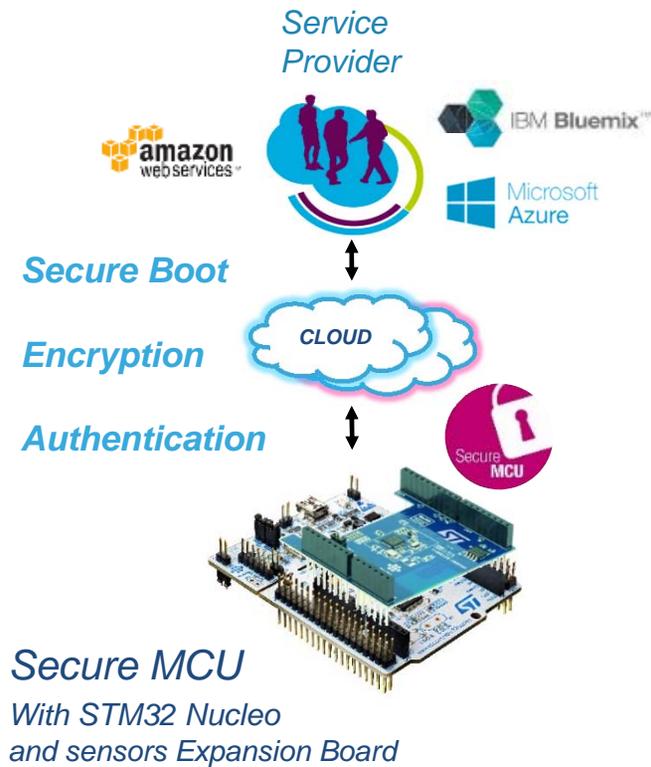


# Demos



# ST Solution for Security in IoT

Solution  
for IoT Device







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