

# Secure and Safe Internet of Things (SerIoT)

Topic: IoT-03-2017 R&I on IoT integration and platforms

Type of Action: RIA (Research and Innovation Action)

Acronym: **SerIoT**

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# SerIoT Consortium: A Wonderful Team



## 15 Partners:

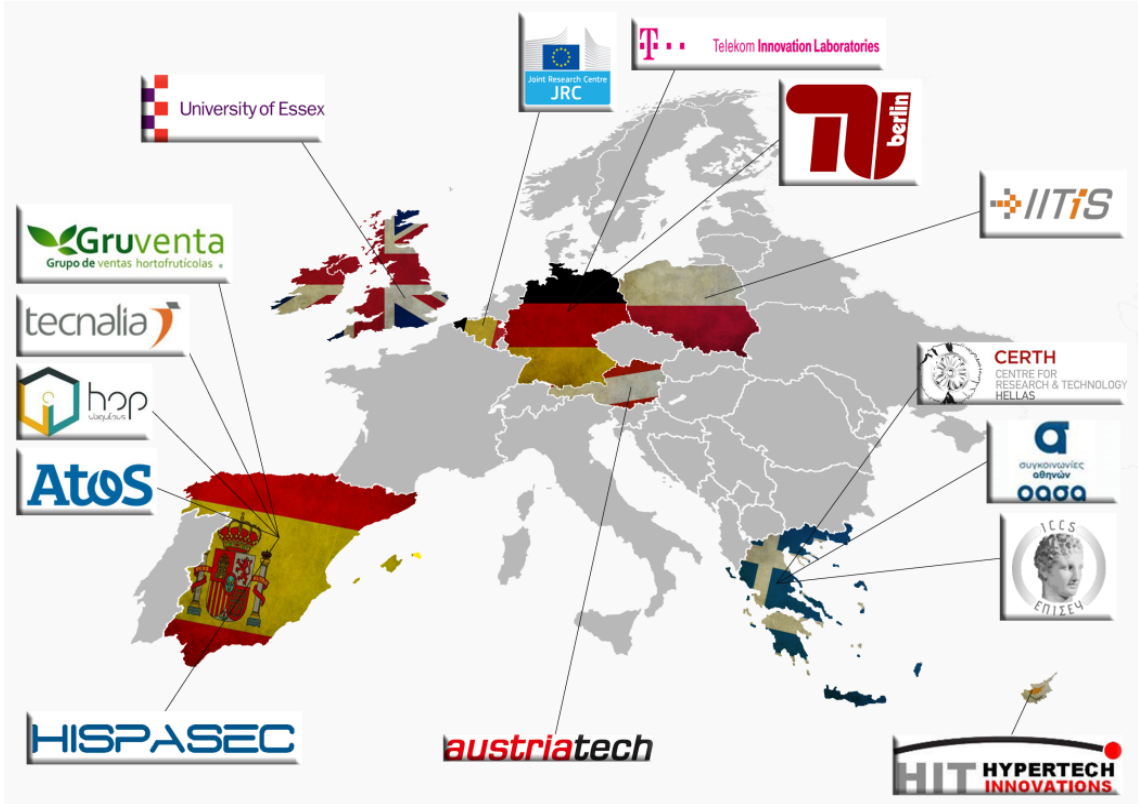
- Industry: ATOS, DT Large End User: OASA
- SMEs: HIT, HOPU, Hispasec, Gruventa
- RTOs: Austriatech, CERTH, IITIS, JRC, Tecnia
- Universities: ICCS, TUB, UEssex

## 8 European countries:

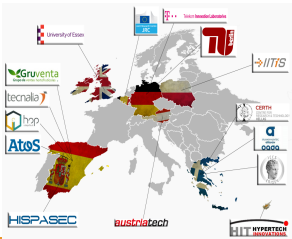
- Austria
- Belgium
- Cyprus
- Germany
- Greece
- Poland
- Spain
- UK

## Links to Past/Current EU Projects

FP7 CASCADAS  
 FP7 PANACEA  
 FP7 NEMESYS  
 H2020 GHOST  
 H2020 KONFIDO  
 H2020 IoTAC



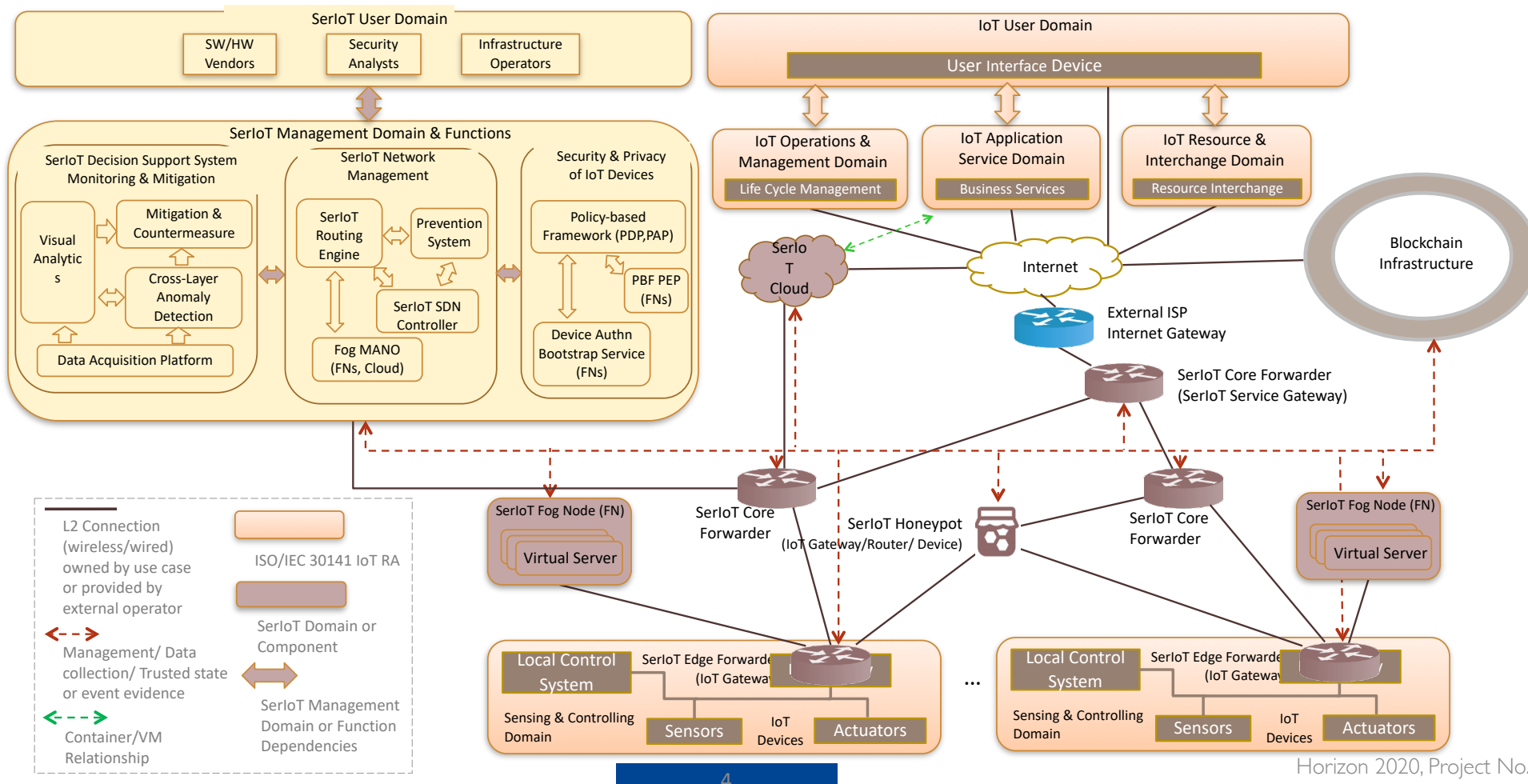
# SerloT Project Objectives



- **Innovative Technologies**
  - **Detect, interpret, and mitigate IoT threats with**
    - (i) Attack detection (ii) Honeypots detect and deflect attacks
    - (iii) Identifying Physical Characteristics of IoT Devices (iv) Policy based Protection and Blockchain
    - (v) SDN based Routing Engines Adapt to find Secure + QoS/Energy aware paths
    - (vi) Decision Support Systems (DSS) to Analyze, Visualize and Mitigate threats/anomalies
    - (vii) Cross-layer IoT security to include networks, Fog and IoT devices
- **Standardization activities**
- **Deploy and test the SerIoT innovations in significant practical Use Cases**
  - **Manufacturing Robotics (DT-Sys)**
  - **Transport for Supply Chains (HOPU)**
  - **Urban Traffic Management (Austriatech)**
  - **Urban Public Transportation (OASA/ITI)**
  - **Smart Vehicles and Vehicle Management (Tecnalia)**



# SerIoT Architecture General View



# Impact

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- **Industry Demonstrators & Beta Testing** for novel, advanced autonomous IoT applications.
- Novel security products: **Access Control, Attack Detectors, Honeypot, IoT Device Identifiers, Autopolicy and Blockchain, Cognitive Re-Routing Engine, IoT Attack Mitigators, Fog Based** IoT cybersecurity
- **Hence Strengthen the industrial EU technological offer** of innovative IoT solutions.
- **World-Leading Research Output on IoT Security and Dissemination in Top Journals and Conferences: 63 refereed publications > 20 journals including TopTop IEEE & ACM Journals Proceedings IEEE, ACM Computing Surveys, IEEE Trans Internet Tech, IEEE Trans on Wireless Comms., SCI journals: Sensors, Applied Science, Complexity, Leading Global IoT Conferences & Conference Best Paper Award**
- **170,000 Downloads + 500 Citations**
- **Many Keynotes and Online Webinars + Celebration of 2021 IoT Day**
- **Standards: Several interactions by CERTH, JRC, HOPU, IITIS + Accepted for ETSI Report**
- **Support emergence of an open market** of innovative IoT services and businesses.
- **Promote the adoption of innovative EU platforms** in the European and international context.



# Dissemination for Impact



We have -- from the beginning -- implemented and executed a dissemination plan to link industry and academia to SerIoT

**The project Web Site provides a direct live view of Innovations, Publications and Use Cases**

- Strongly connected to the community with 63 publications, including top ranked *Proceedings IEEE*, *ACM Computing Surveys* (over 10+ IF), high impact journals *Sensors*, *Applied Sciences* and *IEEE Transactions*, numerous conferences
- An astounding 170.000 article downloads and over 300 citations. Many conference keynotes and worldwide interviews
- Demos of **Use Cases** and considerable numbers of website visitors from around the globe, esp. from USA and India
- 19 relevant stakeholders interviewed: all agreed that the SerIoT solution positively impacts the security market for IoT platforms. 27 SerIoT software and hardware assets with a TRL of 5-6 on average were produced. The Uses Cases showcased our value proposition as complete, effective, modular, versatile, low-cost and ready with innovative security solutions
- SerIoT with CERTH/ITI, JRC and HOPU leadership undertook significant standardization, including blockchain, Fog/SDN paradigms and C-ITS with contacts including CEN 278, ETSI TC ITS, ETSI TC CYBER, AIOTI, ENISA and UNECE. At ETSI TC CYBER #23 (January 2021) the project findings resulted in a new work item at ETSI TC CYBER #24 (April 2021) for a Report collecting the SerIoT findings



# Use Case Scenarios



Despite Covid 19 -- Results were validated on several **practical Use Cases**:

- **Flexible Manufacturing**: SerIoT enables a more secure, flexible and reliable connected industry: **Manufacturing Robots DT**
- **Surveillance**: SerIoT support security of multimedia data streaming from surveillance networks: **Public Transport OASA/ITI**
- **Food Supply Chains**: SerIoT supports end-to-end security of communicating IoT devices: **Food Chain HOPU**
- **Intelligent Transport**: SerIoT supports security in the Intelligent Transport Systems environment Use Cases:

Technalia (**Smart Cars**) and Austriatech (**Smart Urban Traffic**)



# Use Cases



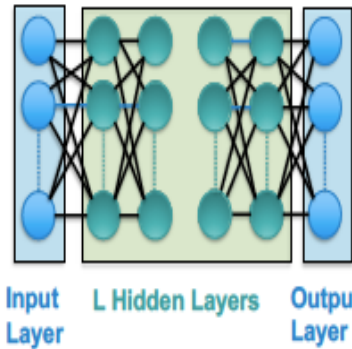
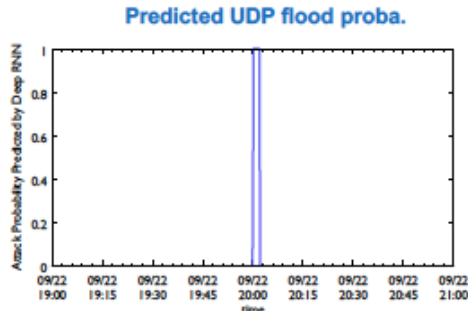
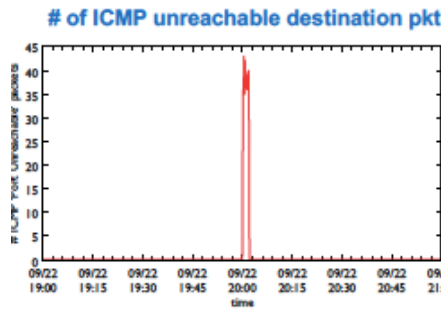
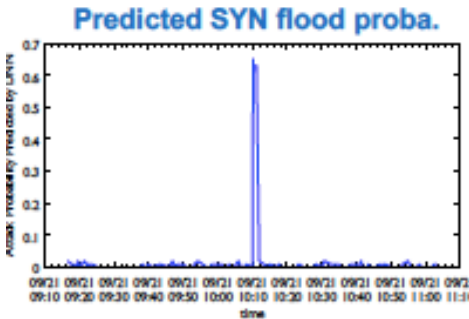
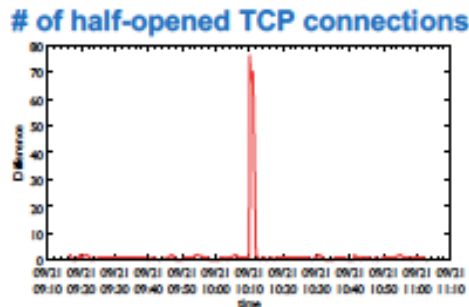
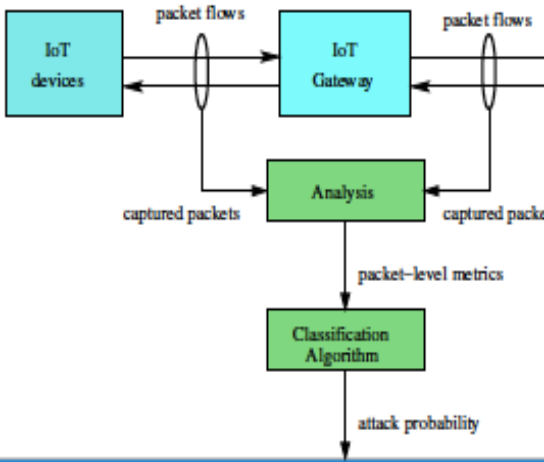
UC1: Surveillance	UC2: ITS in Smart Cities	UC3: Flexible Manufacturing	UC4: Food chain
Scenario 1.1 Facilities Monitoring	Scenario 2.1 Automated Driving	Scenario 3.1 Remote control of a mobile robot	Scenario 4.1 Fresh Food Deadline Control
Scenario 1.2 Public transport security	Scenario 2.2 Public transport maintenance	Scenario 3.2 Role based access to critical infrastructures	
	Scenario 2.3 Road side ITS stations		





## Deep Learning RNN Detector Attacks at IoT Nodes and Routers and Switches (ICCS+IITIS)

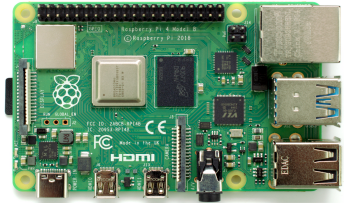
→ Tested in the DT-Sys Robot UseCase



$$\begin{aligned} O_1 &= X \\ O_l &= \Phi(O_{l-1}W_{l-1} + B_l) \quad l = 2, \dots, L+1 \\ O_{L+2} &= O_{L+1}W_{L+1} + B_{L+2} \end{aligned}$$

The weight matrices  $W_l$  and the bias vectors  $B_l$  are the adjustable parameters determined by the training procedure.





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Raspberry Pi (Model 4)



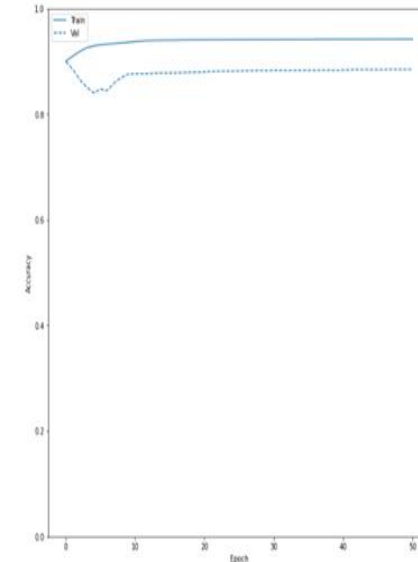
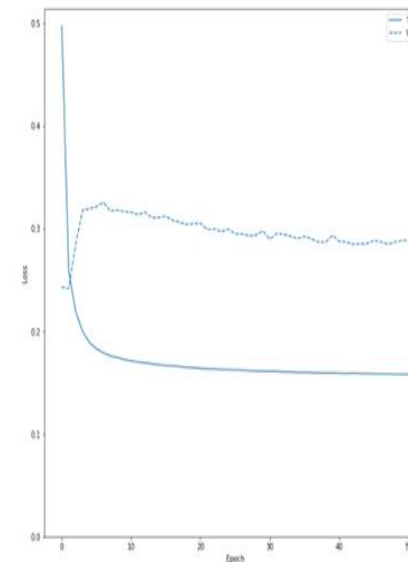
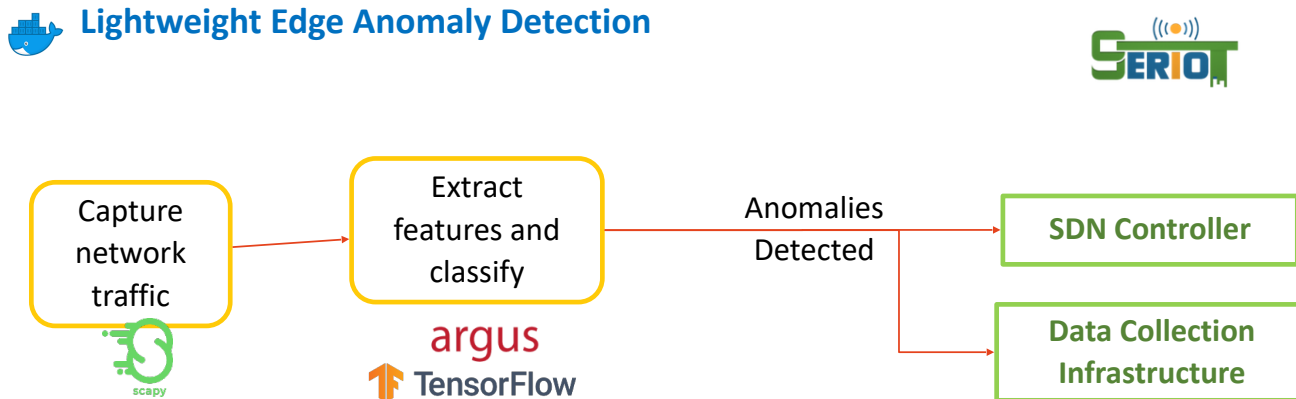
Google's TPU ML Accelerator

Lightweight Edge Anomaly  
Detection (ATOS)



- **On IoT Sensor Hub**, a small form factor platform interconnecting IoT devices with SerIoT-managed networks, and scales to constrained environments, Light-Weight Edge AD **anomaly detection locally on perimeter traffic** with real time information to SerIoT network management
- Tensorflow Deep Learning Library embedded on Raspberry Pi with **Tensorflow Lite**
- Training data from **UNSW-NB15 dataset** with 175,341 records of network traffic flows
- Training Accuracy 96% and Testing Accuracy **90%**. Accelerated with Google's **Edge TPU Accelerator**

### Lightweight Edge Anomaly Detection



### Attacks

- ❖ Fuzzers, Backdoors, DoS
- ❖ Exploits
- ❖ Reconnaissance
- ❖ Shellcode
- ❖ Worms

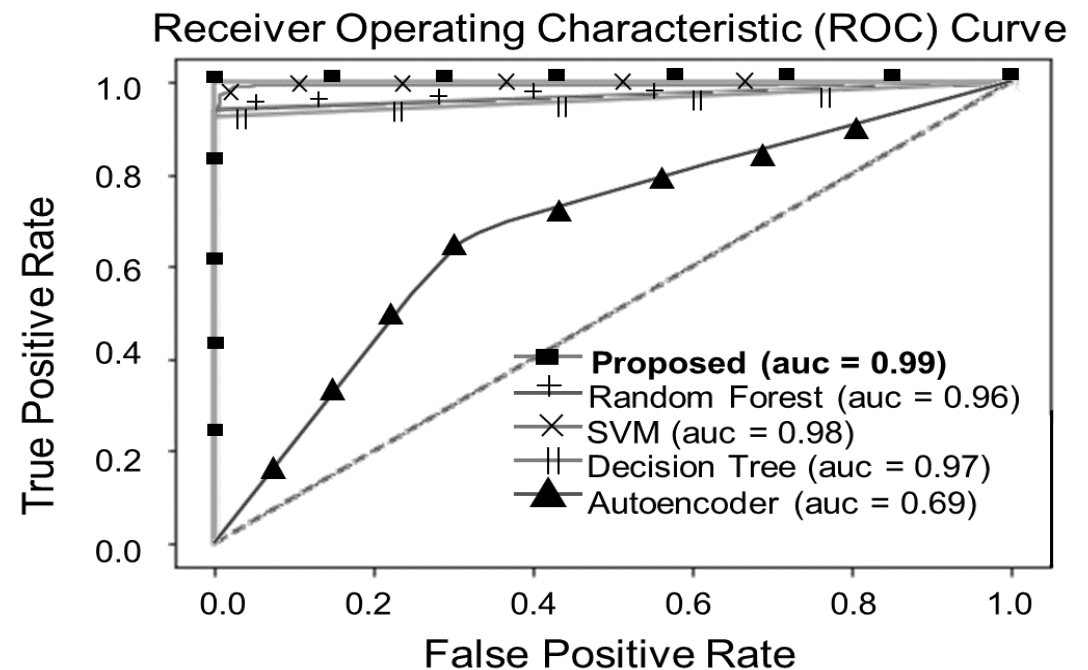
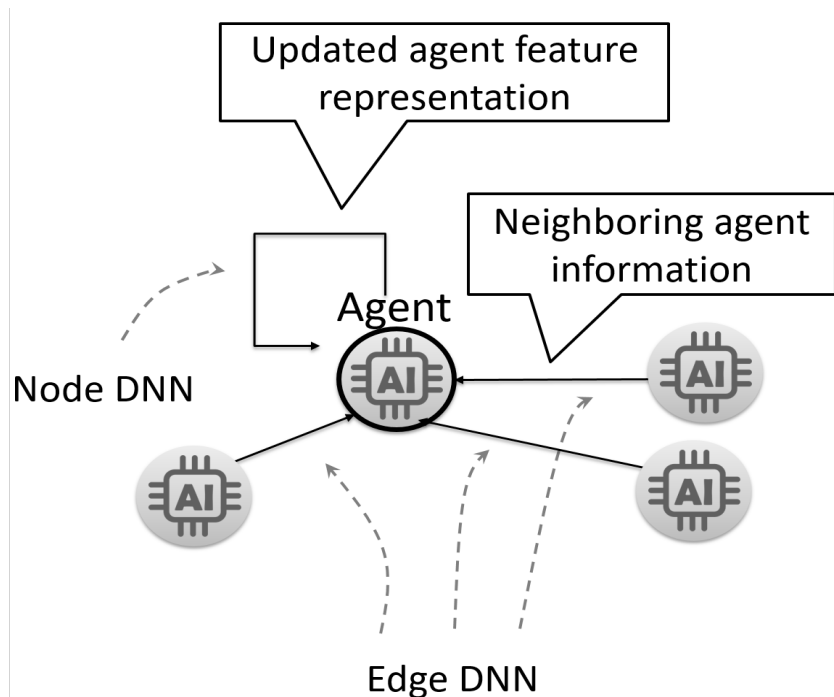


# Networked AI Agent Anomaly Detection and Mitigation (ITI/CERTH)

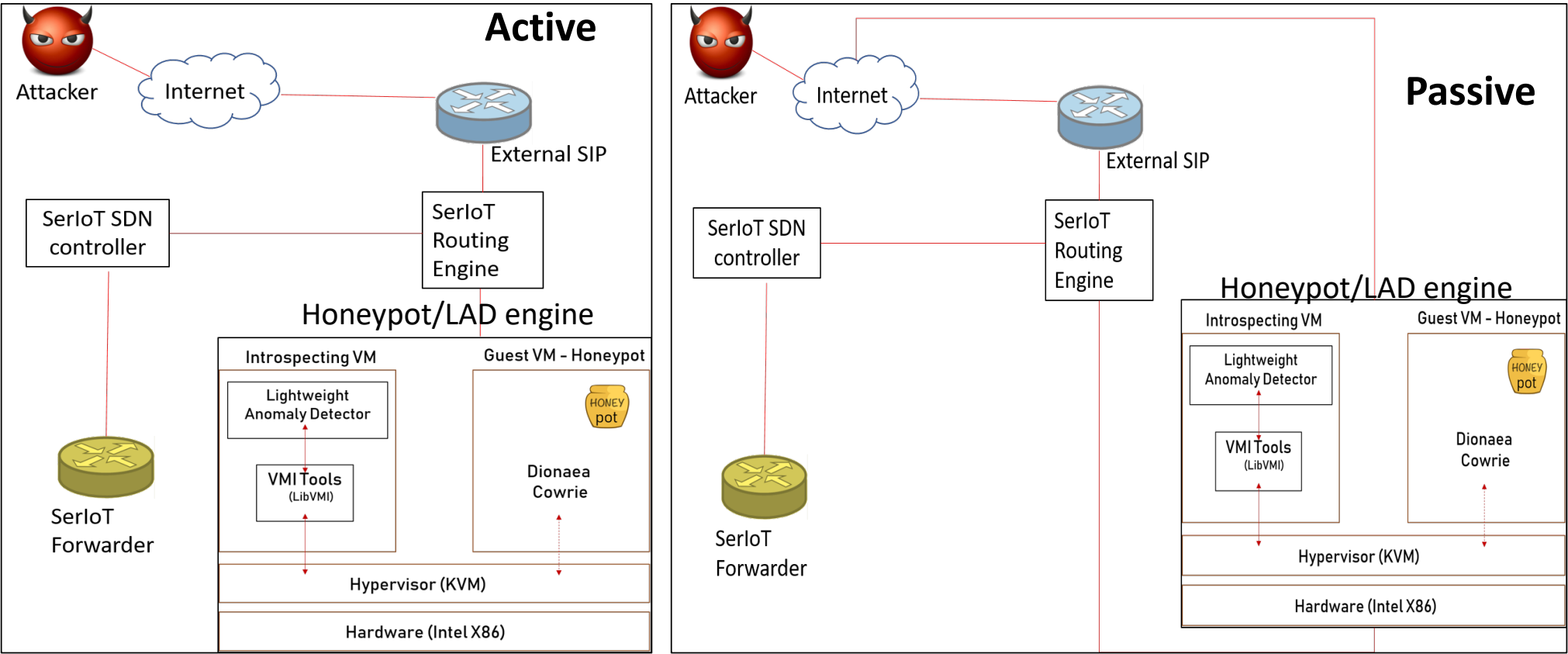


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## Networked AI agents on IoT network nodes for distributed attack detection with Graph Neural Networks (ITI/CERTH)



# Honeypot – Active and Passive (TUB)



# Integration with SDN controller

Search

Search By

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Controller

Attacker's terminals

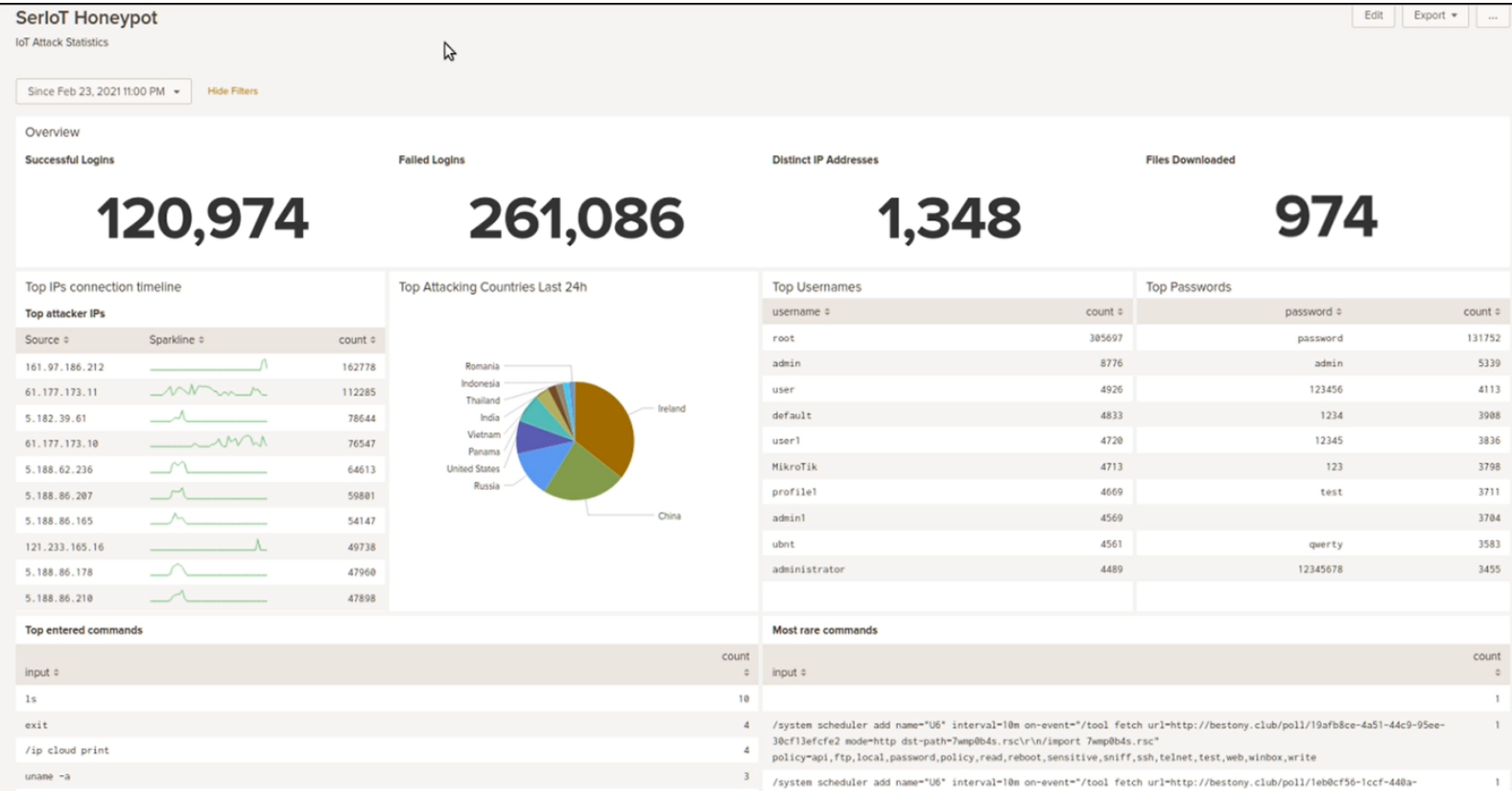
HoneyPot

- Identify malicious nodes and deny network access
- Remove access restrictions after timer expiry



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# SerloT honeypot – live results on website (TUB)



# IoT Device Feature Identification (HOPU+JRC)



- Identification of IoT devices over Open Source FreeRTOS library. Compatible with Open Hardware as ESP32
- Identification of external conditions based on side channel measurements such as electromagnetic fields
- Implementation for SRAMs (memories), ADCs inputs, and commonly used sensors as temperature, humidity, lighting, etc.
- Physical Unclonable Functions (PUFs) to create advanced crypto functionalities and identify counterfeit devices
- Data Quality standardization support and promotion as IEEE P2510 (chaired by HOPU).





# Autopolicy (HOPU + IITIS)



A lightweight security scheme that assigns a predetermined Traffic Profile (TP) to IOT devices, then monitors the traffic emanating from that device, and blocks the device if it generates traffic that does not conform to its profile.

From a repository of pre-registered TPs based on device identity and type, a TP is fetched from a local server, e.g., the edge router, a Fog server, or the remote Cloud in the case of a new unknown device. Unidentified devices cannot send traffic into the IoT network. The edge router monitors traffic, and blocks the non-recognized IoT device to notify the SDN Controller which also blocks the corresponding connection



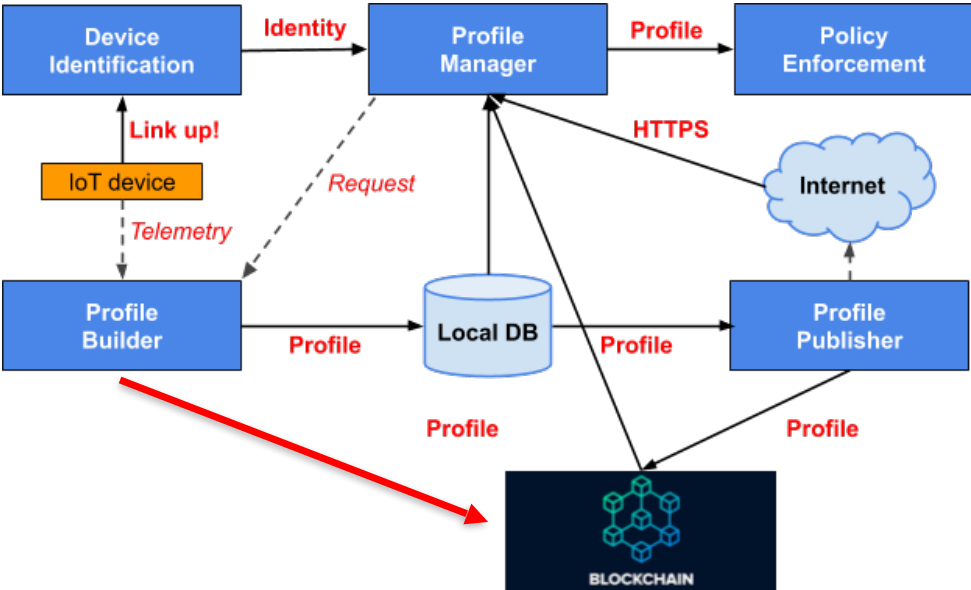


# Blockchain Extension of Autopolicy (HOPU + IITIS)



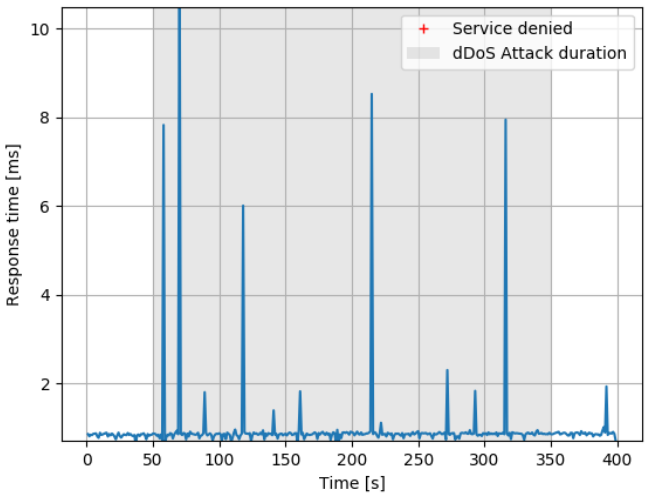
An alternative to storing traffic profiles on the websites of IoT device manufacturers websites, would be to use Blockchain technology

Blockchain is then used as a trusted, public, distributed repository of traffic profiles.

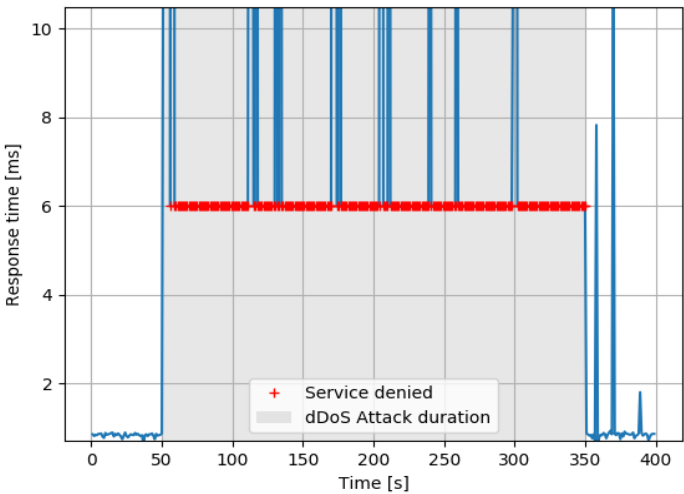


# Autopolicy with SDN Integration

The response time and availability of the server, under Botnet attack. Botnet devices are connected to Autopolicy switches (left) and without our solution (right).

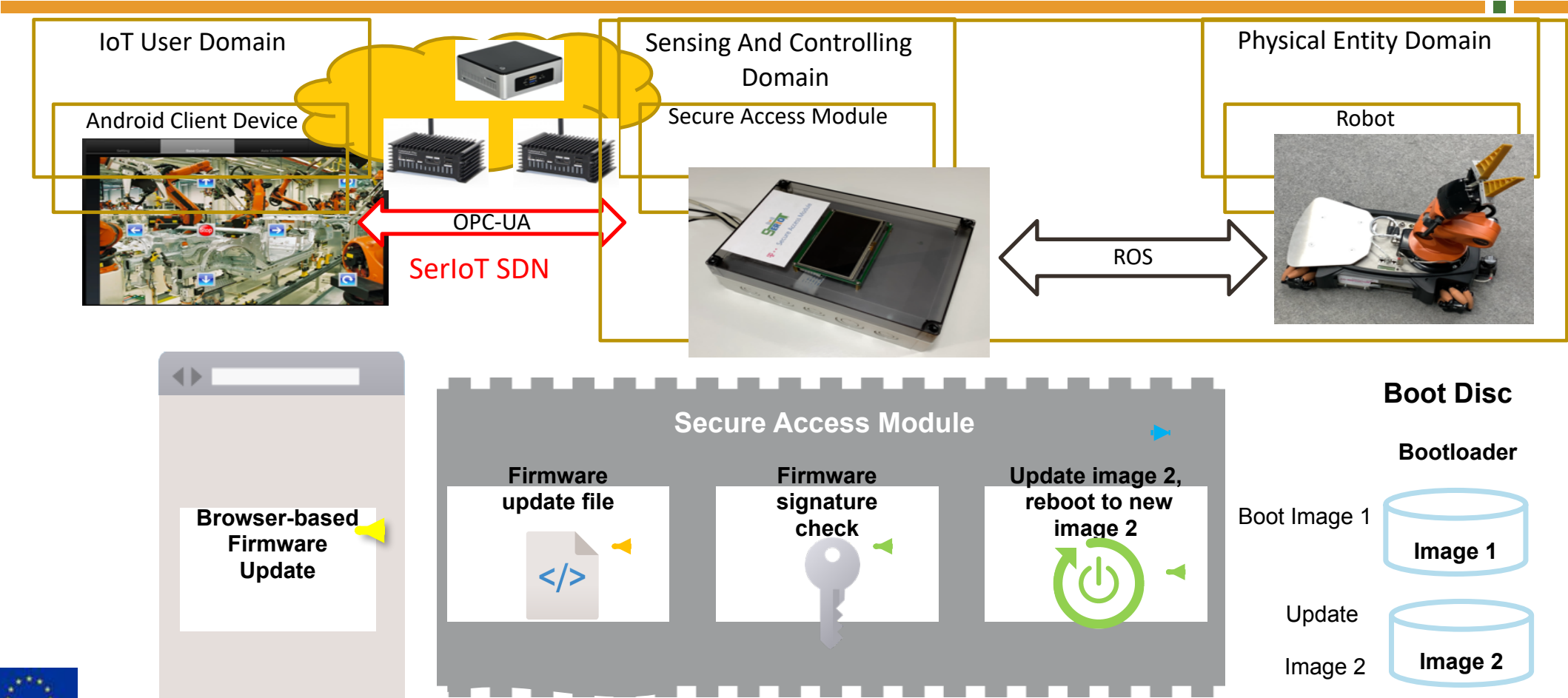


The figure shows the influence on the network with the AP-SDN solution turned on. The spikes we see are just typical, network-correlated mishaps.



The figure shows the influence on the network without the AP-SDN solution.

# Secure Access Module (DT)



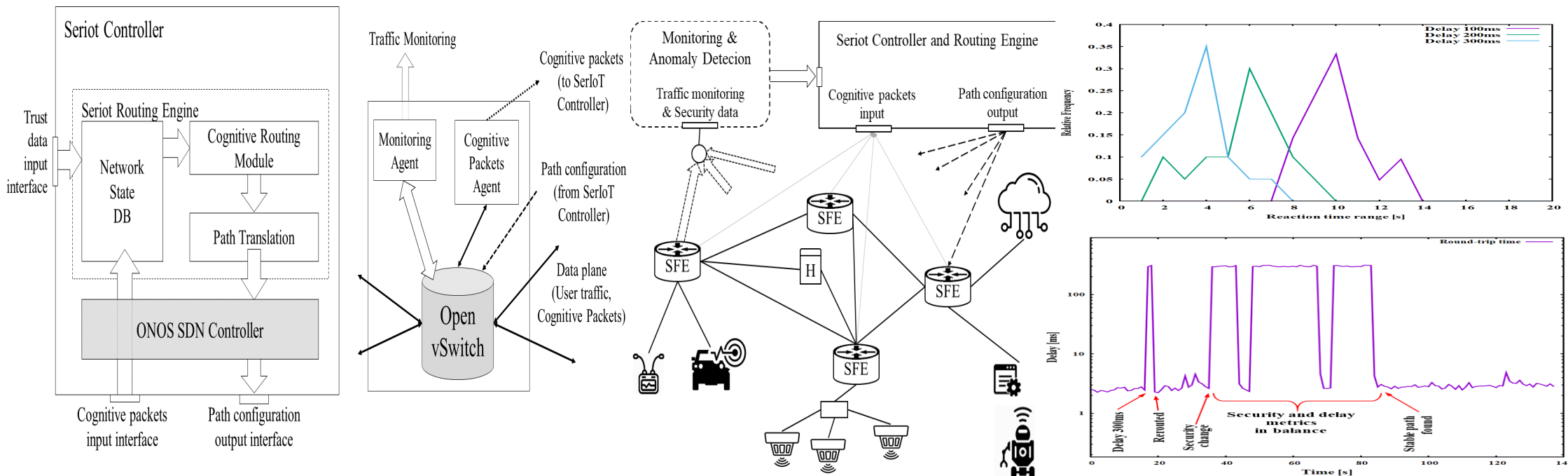
# Cognitive Packet Network SDN based Attack Mitigation Engine (IITIS)



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## Cognitive Packet Network SDN Router for Attack Mitigation, QoS and Energy

IITIS → Usecases (A) DT-Sys Robot UseCase (B) Tencalia "Intelligent Vehicle Rerouting"



# SerCPN Innovation: Security QoS & Energy-Aware Routing (IITIS)



Minimize the **Routing Goal Function**  $G(f,P)$

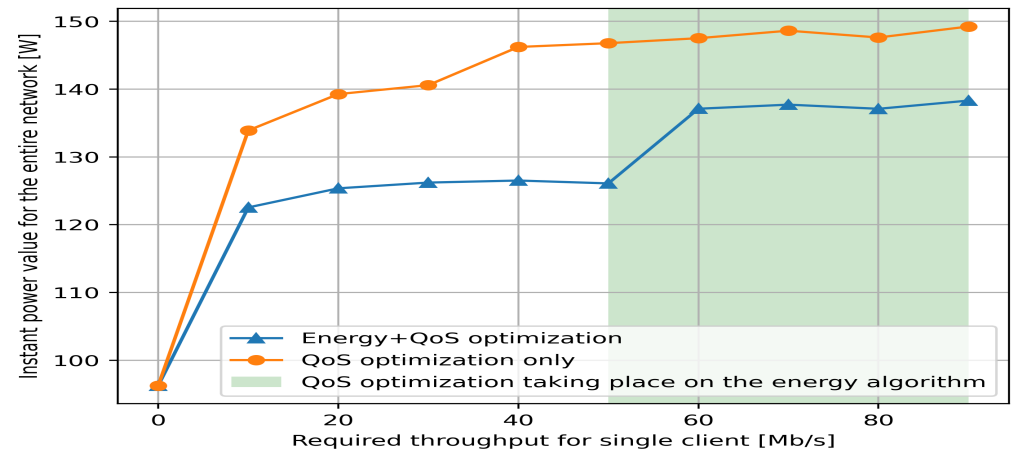
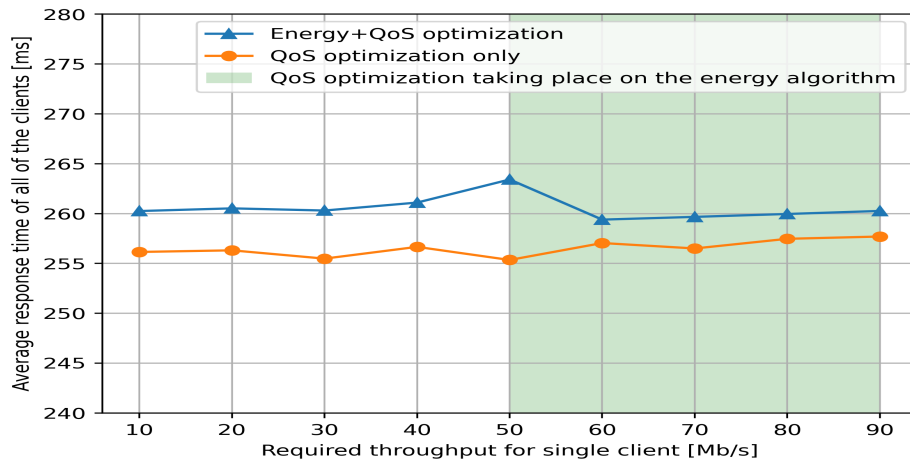
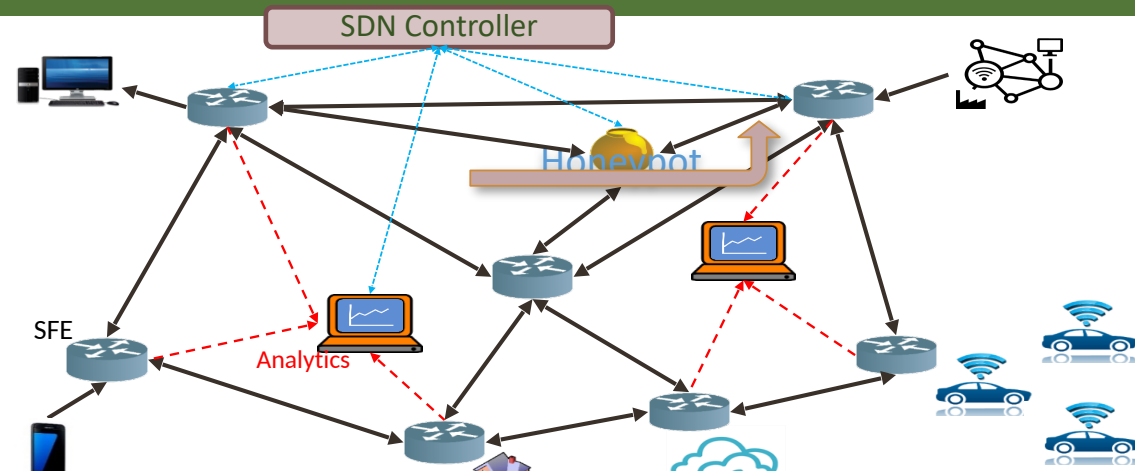
$f$ =Flow,  $P$  = Path

$$G(f,P) = \alpha I(f,P) + \beta Q(f,P) + \gamma E(f,P) + \pi R(f,P)$$

$I$  = Level of Insecurity,  $Q$  = QoS,  $E$  = Energy

$R$  = Privacy Policy match

Best  $P$  for  $f$  :  $P^*(f) = \arg \min \{G(f,P) : \text{for all } P_s\}$



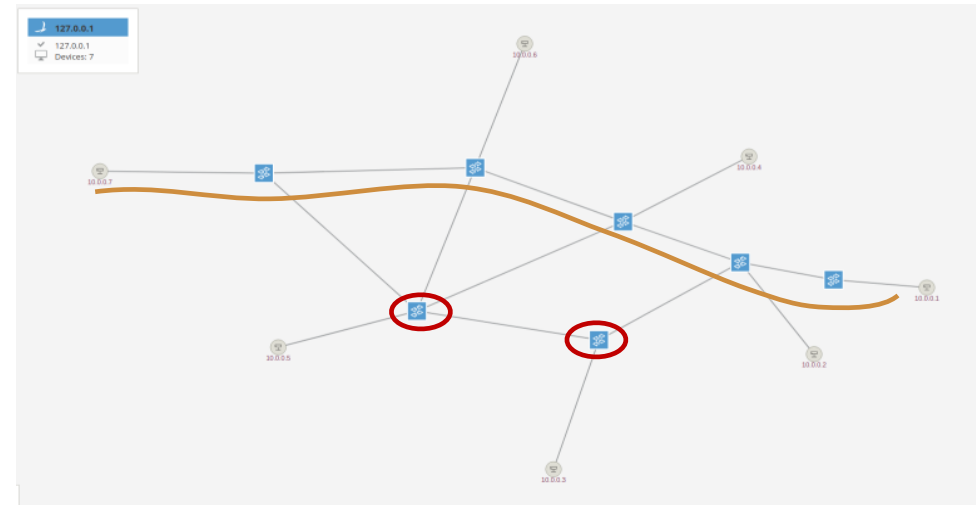
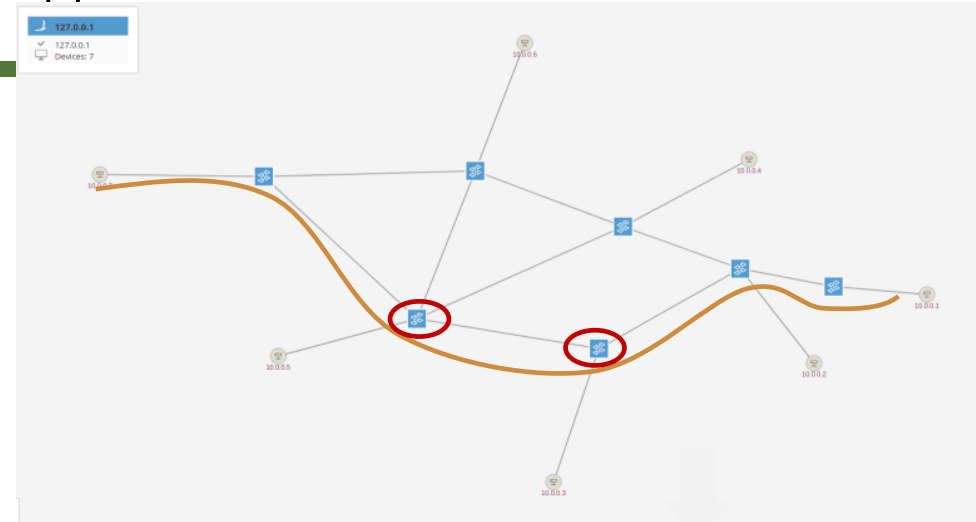
# SerCPN Security Aware Routing

## ■ Goals and objectives of Security Aware Routing:

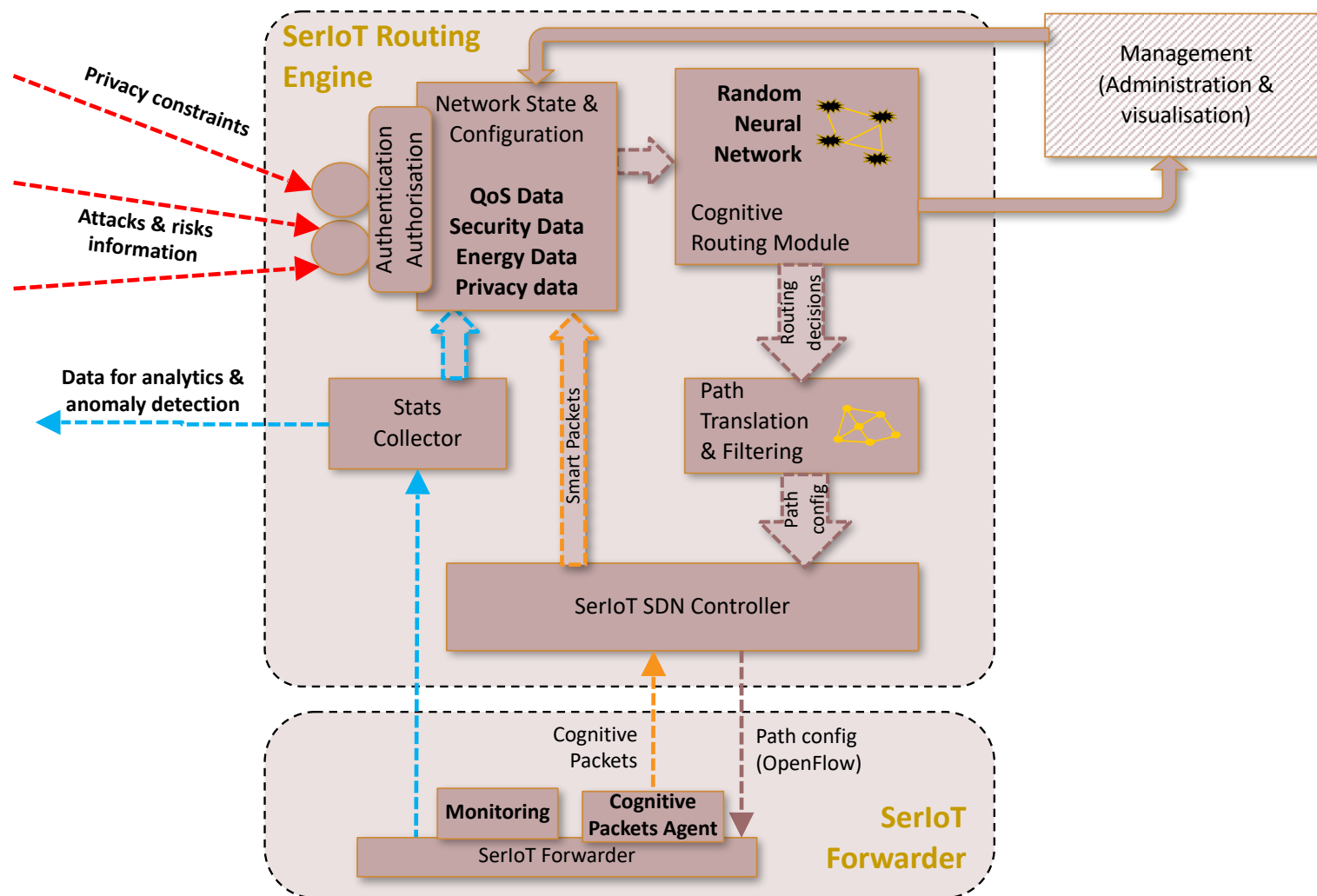
1. Protect network devices against (potentially) harmful traffic - untrusted flows are not routed via sensitive nodes
2. Protect critical traffic against threats in untrusted nodes - critical flows are not routed via untrusted nodes

## ■ Sources of security data:

- ❖ Agent based cross-layer anomaly detection system (CERTH)
- ❖ RNN-based DoS attack detector (ICCS)
- ❖ Lightweight edge traffic anomaly detection (ATOS)
- ❖ Autopolicy rules violation (IITIS)



## SerCPN Network Management Plane – Routing-related components



- **The Hypothesis Testing Module** allows the security operator to investigate how mitigation actions affect various KPIs and if the KPIs resulting from the modification are statistically different when compared to a starting set of mitigation actions. The KPI values from different mitigation strategies are clustered with ML, and evaluated by a statistical p-value
- Are two clusters of mitigation actions  $C_A$  or  $C_B$  different in terms of their **underlying distribution** and is this difference **statistically significant**?
- The **HDBSCAN** ML algorithm clusters the mitigation actions and **Statistical Significance of Clustering using Soft Thresholding** is used to assess the difference
- The **Mitigation Engine takes or advises action based on these results**



# Automated Mitigation Engine (ITI/CERTH)

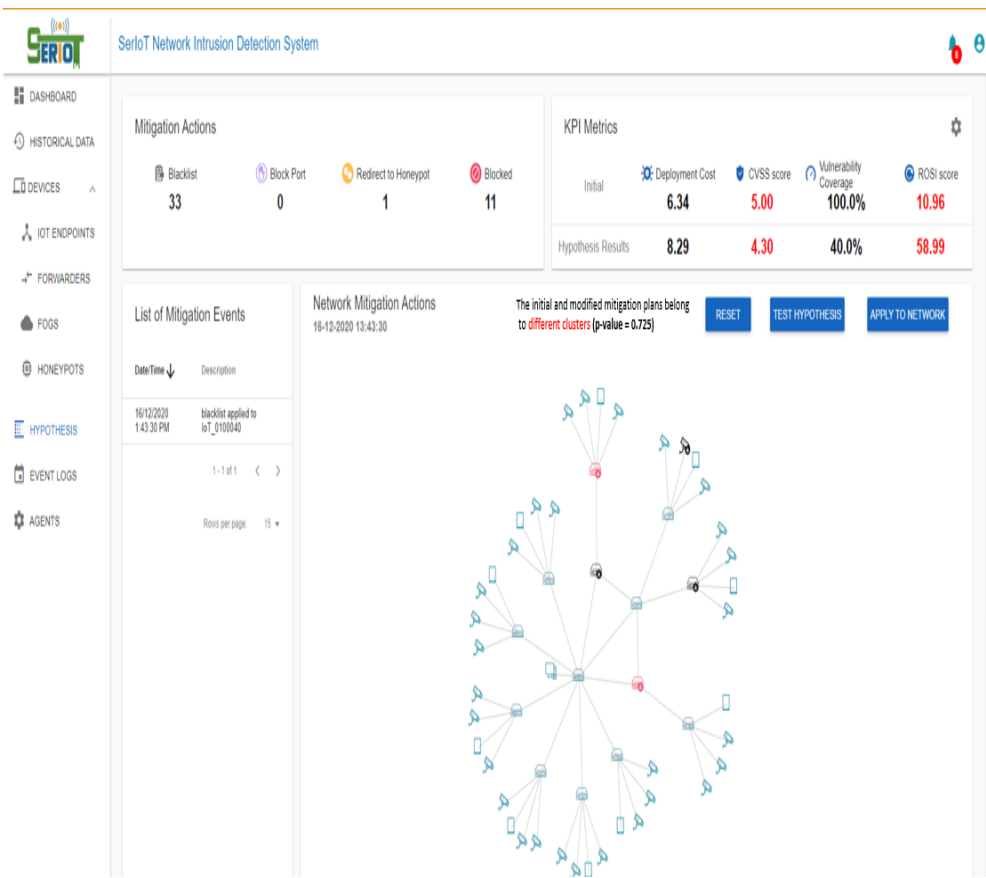


- Device vulnerabilities and mitigation actions are modeled as a set of rules.
- Rules are based on 4 cybersecurity related KPIs: Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS), Vulnerability Surface Coverage, Return On Response Investment (RORI) and Mitigation Action Deployment Cost.
- Multi-objective AI based optimization based on KPIs to identify optimal selection of mitigation actions.
- System operator can choose solutions based on KPI trade-offs.
- The mechanism is integrated with SDN controllers to automatically apply mitigation actions in real time.



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# Mitigation Engine Integration with Visual Analytics Dashboard (ITI/CERTH)



Current mitigation KPI values

Summary of applied mitigation actions

A manual mitigation action can be applied by clicking a device



# Service Based Fog Computing (UEssex)



- Services, distributed computing resources and their constraints are modelled analytically
- Service-based distributed control plane using concepts of Information-centric networking
- Distributed optimization for service request mapping and coordinated routing for different KPI objectives (meeting security requirements, minimizing energy cost, delay)
- System operator can choose solutions based on KPI trade-offs.
- Fog computing integrated over SDN to provide service mapping and routing



# Routing Verification (HIT)



- Estimates the effectiveness of the SDN routing decisions.
- Collects real-time network metrics (e.g., delays per link, energy usage per forwarder) and security information (e.g., confidence and sensitivity per forwarder) from the SDN subsystem.
- Calculation of routing objectives concerning energy, QoS and security information.
- Multi-objective optimization incorporating evolutionary algorithms to identify a set of best solutions (i.e. flow rules).
- Compare the best solutions with the flow rules created by the SDN, to provide a deviation metric.



# Standardization (HOPU, ITI, JRC, IITIS)



- **CERTH prepared a template for partner innovation contributions to standardization activities.** With partners' input, it served for **JRC's request with IITIS to ETSI TC CYBER for participation in standardization activities.**
- **CERTH/ITI as member of ETSI supported the request and asked Samsung UK to second the request.**
- **SerIoT undertook standardization discussions** on Blockchain, Fog/SDN paradigms and C-ITS with CEN 278, ETSI TC ITS, ETSI TC CYBER, AIOTI, ENISA and UNECE.
- After **submission to ETSI TC CYBER #23 (January 2021) and #24 (April 2021), a Report on SerIoT findings was decided.**
- **HOPU pursued Data Quality for IoT sensors synergies with IEEE P2510 (chaired by HOPU).** It proposed the Epsilon parameter definition to identify reliability and accuracy of IoT sensors, and assured the promotion and integration from ETSI SAREF and ETSI NGSI-LD with ETSI TC CYBER.



Thank you

Pause for Q&A



# KPIs used for mitigation



- **Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS)** is an open Industry standard for assessing the severity of a cybersecurity vulnerability.
  - ❖ A vulnerability has a CVSS score  $\in [0,10]$  with 10 representing the highest severity.
- **Return on response investment (RORI)** is tool used to calculate (a self-named) an index associated to the mitigation actions composing a response plan.
- The **Vulnerabilities Surface Coverage (VSC)** or Vulnerability Coverage of a countermeasure  $cm$ , is found by counting the number of vulnerabilities it covers so  $VSC \in [0,1]$ .
  - ❖ It can be found in the literature with other names such as Attack Surface Coverage.
- The **Deployment Cost** KPI considers deployment time, consumed resources and the importance of the device that deploys the countermeasure as assessed by the network security operator .
  - ❖ It is calculated using the following formula: *Deployment Cost = Deployment Time \* Device Importance \* Resource Consumption.*

