

FIDO IoT and RATS/EAT

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Overview

- The Fast Identity Online (FIDO) Alliance is a standards/certification body focused on passwordless authentication
 - Several standards enabling user authentication (incl. biometrics)
 - Security and functional certification programs
- Recent standards effort on IoT secure onboarding
- First specification released in August 2020
 - <https://fidoalliance.org/specs/fidoiot/FIDO-IoT-spec-v1.0-wd-20200730.html>

What Does Onboarding Entail?

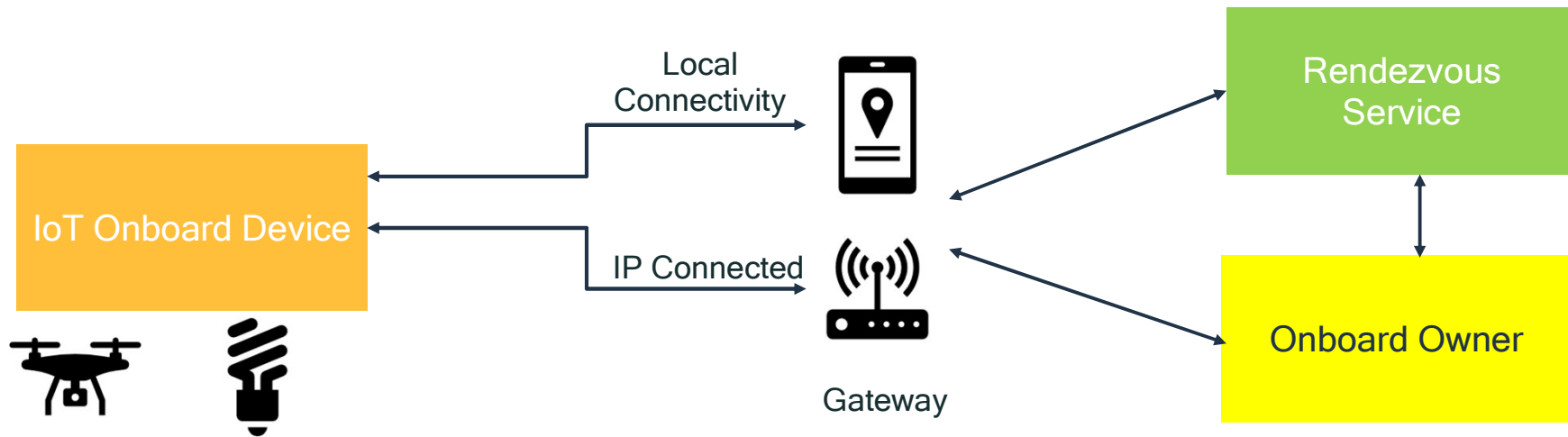
- 3 primary steps
 - ① OEM completes manufacturing of device and ships
 - ② End user purchases device, installs it, and powers it up for first time
 - ③ End user establishes ownership relationship with device
- “Zero-touch” onboarding is a goal for most manufacturers
 - User powers up device for the first time – is able to establish ownership with minimal intervention
- Common approaches could entail
 - ① Installing an app on a personal device (tablet, smartphone)
 - ② App connects to cloud – user authenticates to onboarding service
 - ③ App connects to IoT device
 - ④ Ownership established via cloud service

Attestation in Onboarding

What is attestation?

- Describes the process by which software executing on a device provides an assertion to a relying party about the integrity of its platform
 - *Relying party* is any service provider that consumes the attestation produced by a device, usually as part of some transaction
 - In the case of IoT device onboarding, both the Rendezvous Server and Device Owner can be Relying Parties
- The attestation can be based on several criteria, including
 - An assessment of the operating system kernel
 - Enumeration of 3rd-party applications installed on device
 - Suspicious events such as protected memory access
- Attestation data is formed by combining indications of such payload into a compact data structure that can be sent to a relying party
 - Attestation data is used to form an attestation statement, which is the actual message sent to the relying party
 - Attestation statement should be cryptographically-verifiable (signed and/or encrypted)

FIDO IoT System Architecture



Protocols

- Device Initialization (DI)
 - Provisioning IoT device with security-related information during manufacture
- Transfer Ownership Protocol 0 (TO0)
 - Device Owner seeds information in the Rendezvous Server about the IoT device to be onboarded (unique ID, i.e. GUID) and owner's IP address
 - **Attestable**
- TO1
 - Device contacts and identifies itself to rendezvous server
 - Upon first power up after manufacture or after a factory reset
 - **Attestable**
- TO2
 - Device contacts owner. Owner takes over device management.
 - **Attestable**

EAT Dependencies

- T01 and T02 leverage EAT
- Minimum required claims
 - Nonce
 - UEID
- FIDO intends to complete standard and launch interop/certification program
- What is the issue?
 - EAT standard is not complete
 - EAT-proposed claims are not registered
 - FIDO cannot complete standard and launch interop/certification program using CWT private space
 - See <https://www.iana.org/assignments/cwt/cwt.xhtml>
 - Certification must be done on finished product
 - Vendors will prefer to productize with registered claims, not private space

Request

- EAT spec not ready for Last Call as of IETF 109
- FIDO requests accelerating that IETF register a minimal subset of the claims outlined in the current EAT draft with IANA
 - Register claims prior to RFC publication
- Determine minimum set of claims and complete registration no later than IETF 110