IoT Device Ownership when ownership is complex

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Door Locks

- Everyone has them.
- Simplest IoT actuator
- What did you do last time you were locked out?
- Does your neighbour have a spare key?
- Do you have your neighbour's spare key?
- How many people have your keys?









Smart Building Multi-tenant Many changes

How do you delegate access?

- There is the kerberosticket-like way
 - The realtor lock.



What about multiple people?

- This is a 6-way OR gate
 - Unlocking any of the padlocks will allow this gate to open
- It presents an interesting audit problem
- First time I saw this kind of thing, I thought it was some kind of art installation.

https://www.reddit.com/r/ProgrammerHumor/comments/6ehxli/or gate/



How does the mailman enter?

• In France, with











police-rescue-sex-doll











Intro to Line of Duty show

When you are locked out?

- Locksmith will drill out the lock
- The replace it.
- Then you give out keys
- How does locksmith know you are authorized?



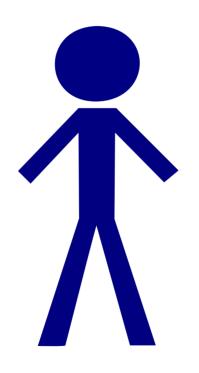
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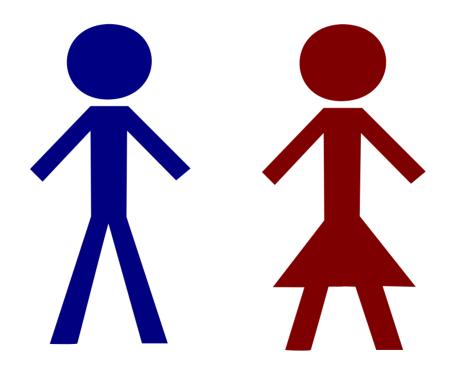
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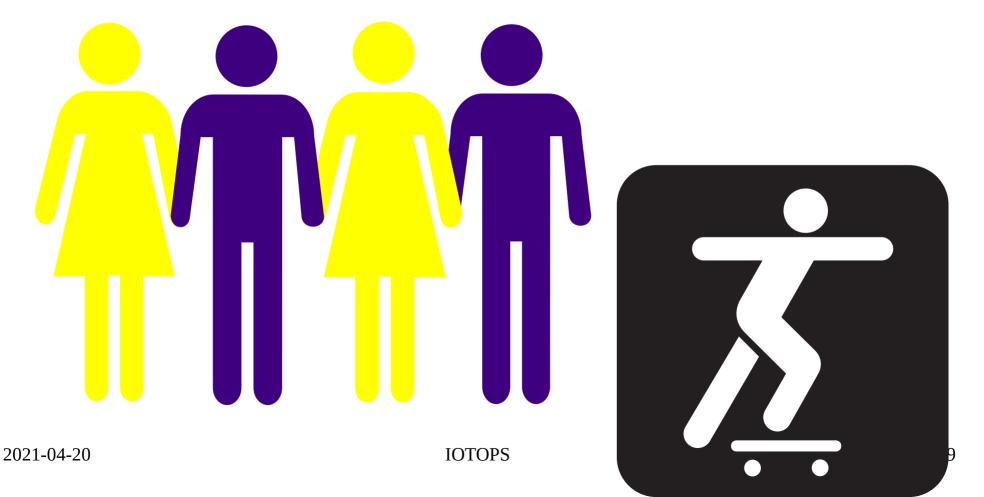
Authorization and Auditing

- Who is allowed to open your door?
- Who is allowed to change the list of who can open your door?
- When your door is opened, who gets to know about it?
- It's not just about your door. It's about everything "smart" in your house
- do you want to drill out your furnace?







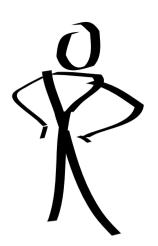


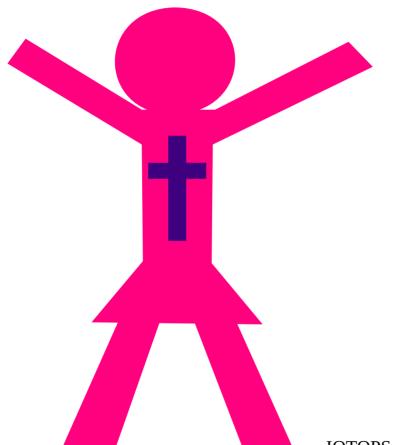


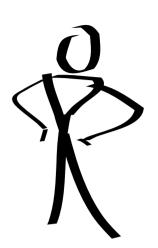
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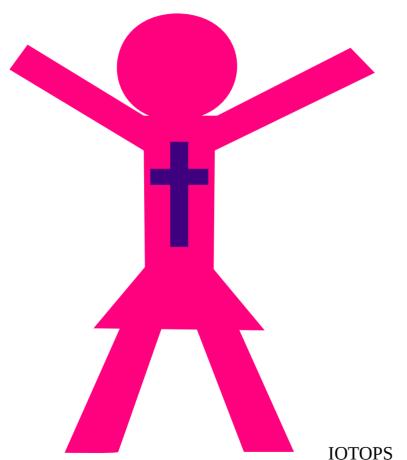
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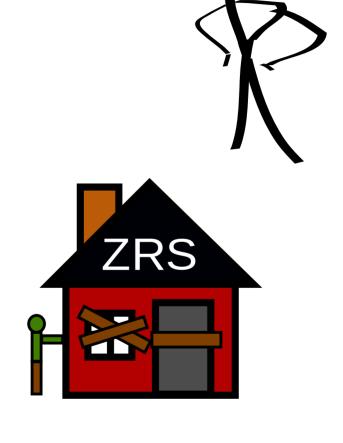






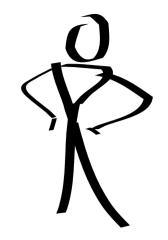
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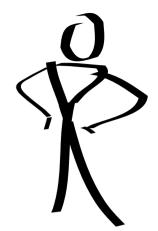


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Backdoors?

- Backdoors are things installed without your knowledge.
 - recently associated with malware
 - historically, installed by manufacturer

- Not a backdoor (it's a front door...)
- Visible
- Auditable (when used, and when installed)
- not a secret

Escrow?

- Key Escrow involves turning a copy of private key over to third party
- There are variants for communication security, where the session key is encrypted only
- This is more about a kind of escrow for authorization
- All concerns with attacks on key escrow agents (key holders) would apply, however.

Why standardize?

- a common authorization language will be better understood
- a common system will have better analysis
- all arguments about common libraries and bugs and the like apply

- auditing of rules, and auditing of access log
- third parties need standardized systems
 - with standardized kinds of liability
 - police, banks, lawyers, judicial oversight, oversight of LE

Is this an IETF problem?

- I dunno.
 - maybe? maybe not
 - OASIS also worked on this
- SASL, KeyNote,
 SPKI, ...

- constrained systems seem to thrive here
- SUIT and TEEP are here, and there are profound authorization issues in who can run what software, or perform updates

Discussion

