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Building cybersecurity through partnerships

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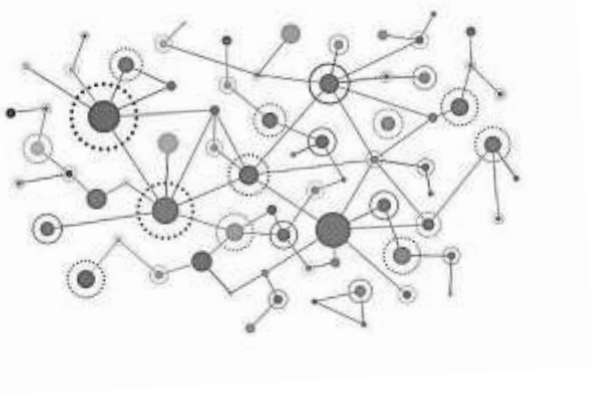
Connected, digital solutions create value for water infrastructure

South Bend Indiana's Story - A Digital Transformation

Digital Solution

120 sensors for a real time monitoring system



Financial Savings

$1.5 Million savings in annual operating and maintenance

$500 Million in CAPEX savings

Environmental Improvements

1 Billion gallons / year reduction in sewer overflow

50% drop in E. Coli Concentrations in St. Joseph River

"We spent 500 million dollars less than originally estimated, achieving the same environmental benefit and level of service, just by optimizing the existing system in the ground."

- Eric Horvath, Director of Public Works, City of South Bend

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Cyber threats are emerging against Water technologies

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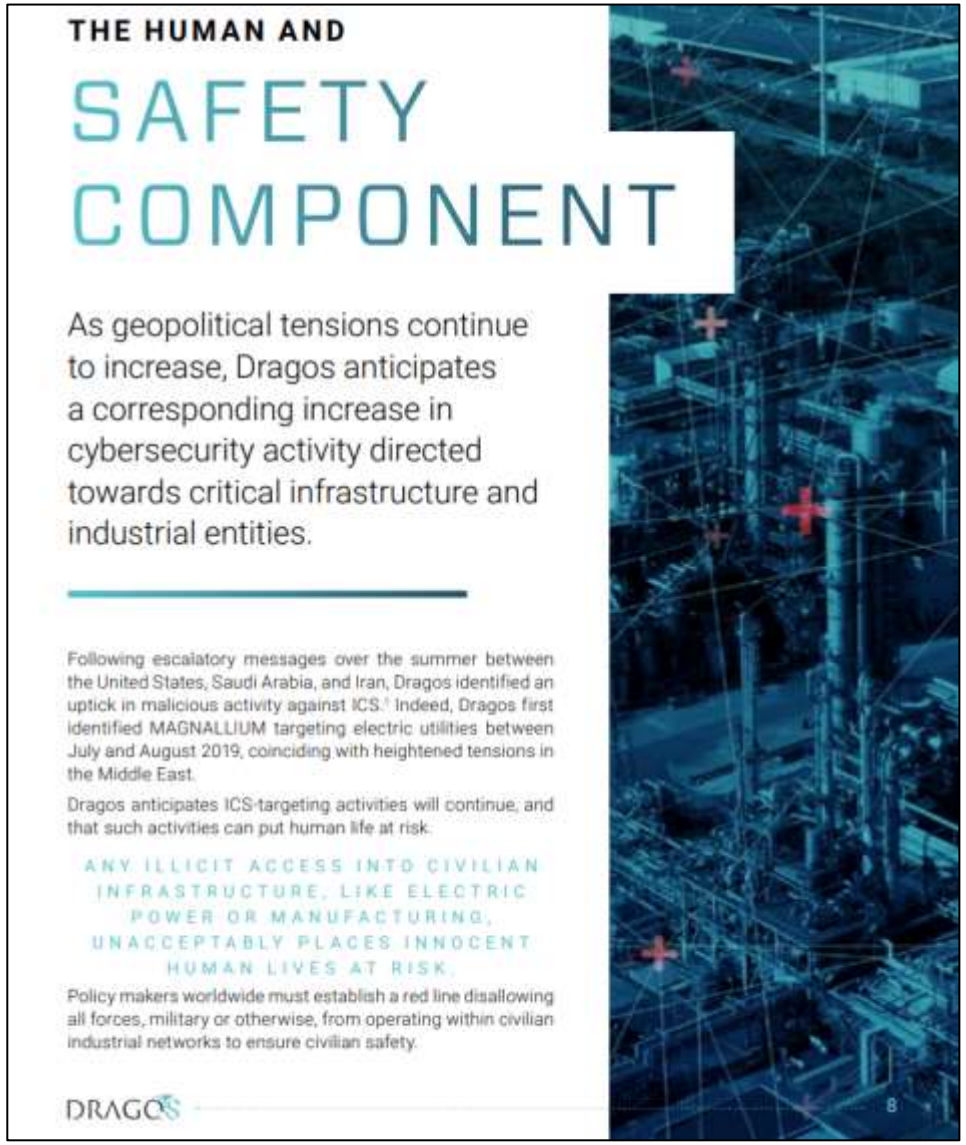
Cybersecurity can be a safety issue

Threat activity groups like MAGNALLIUM and RASPITE are specifically **targeting safety systems** and features to create disruptive events in critical infrastructure.



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Threat actors are pivoting to **targeting Water technology**

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Cyber attacks are costly to customers

Over $1 Trillion USD

In estimated global losses due to cyber crime in 2020 (average cost per incident over $500k USD)

Number of Threat Actors Increasing

Already 7 threat actors shown to specifically target water and wastewater infrastructure in the US and globally

150 Vulnerable Products

Used in water and wastewater systems in the US

20,000 Utility Employees

Say cyber threats are what they fear could have the biggest impact on operations

3rd Most Targeted Sector

When compared to other critical infrastructure in the US

$18.2 Million USD

In costs incurred due to a 2019 ransomware attack against a water utility in Maryland, US

Attacks on water infrastructure are already happening today.

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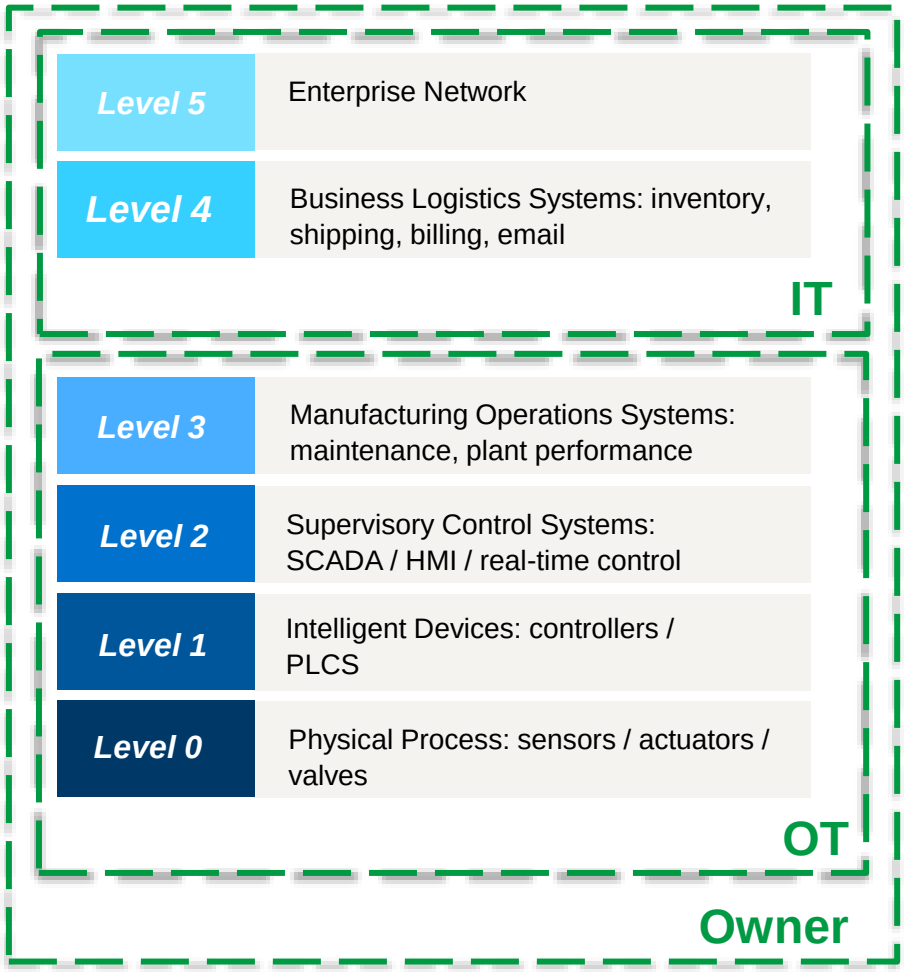
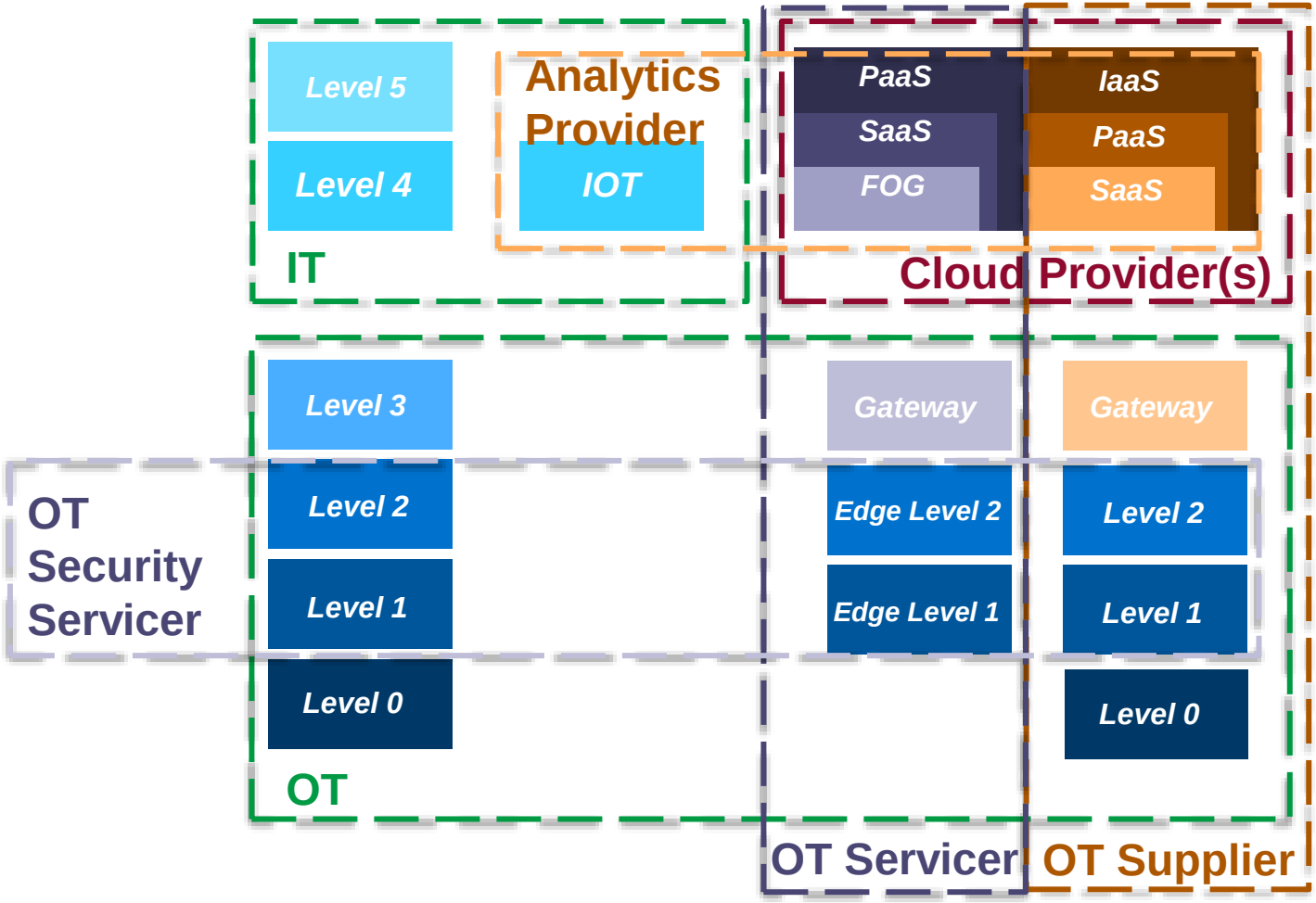
= Trust Boundary

Historical OT
(Procure, Own, Operate)



Modern OT
(Complex Integrations and Partnerships)



Increased integrations creates new risks.

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Cybersecurity requires a partnership across the supply chain

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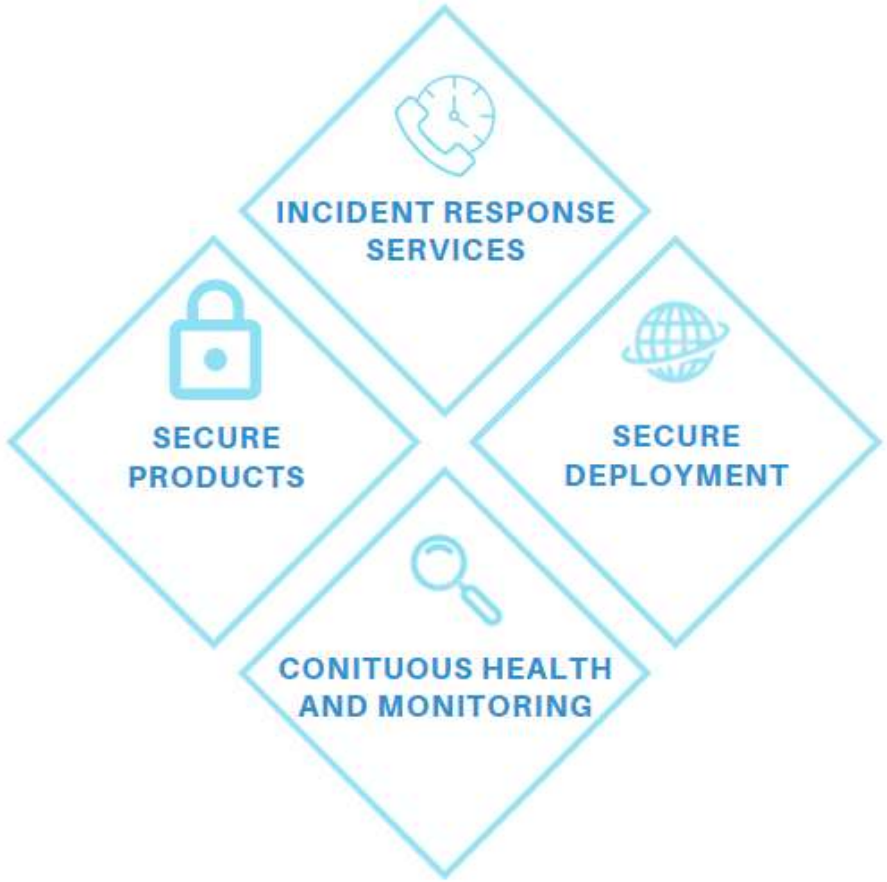
Cybersecurity Multi-Barrier Approach



Secure products by finding and fixing weaknesses while engineering

Secure deployments with defense-in-depth that manages risks to the operations of systems and products

Continuous health and monitoring ensures continuous improvement against emerging vulnerabilities and threats

Incident response services assures optimal forensics and response for safe and continuous operations

The operator of the utility is the end owner of security risk, but responsibility for security protection falls on the product vendor, integrator, and operator.

Product Supplier Responsibilities

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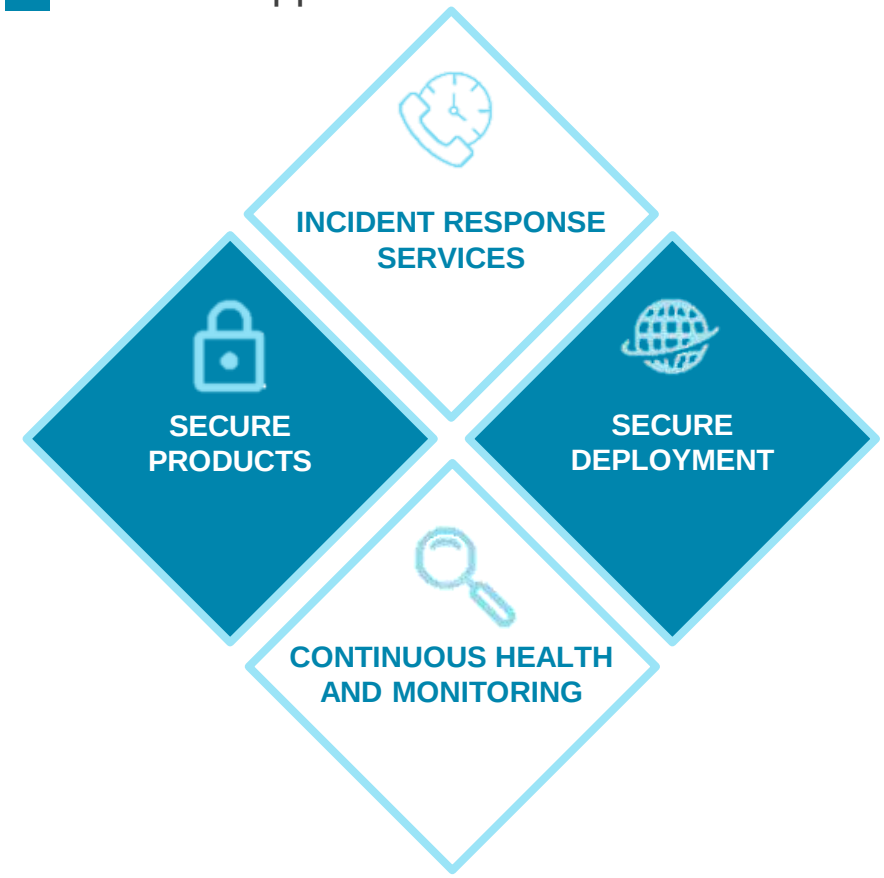
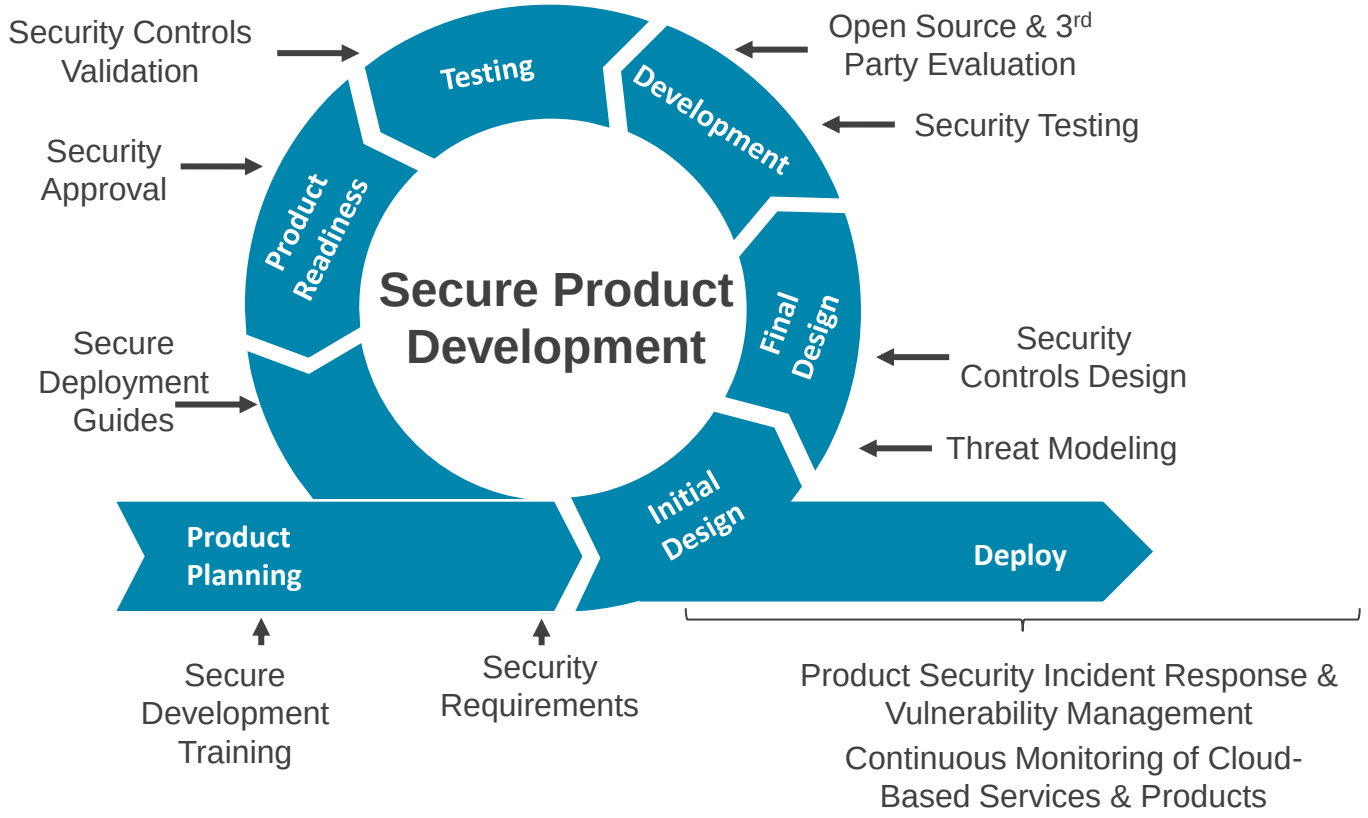
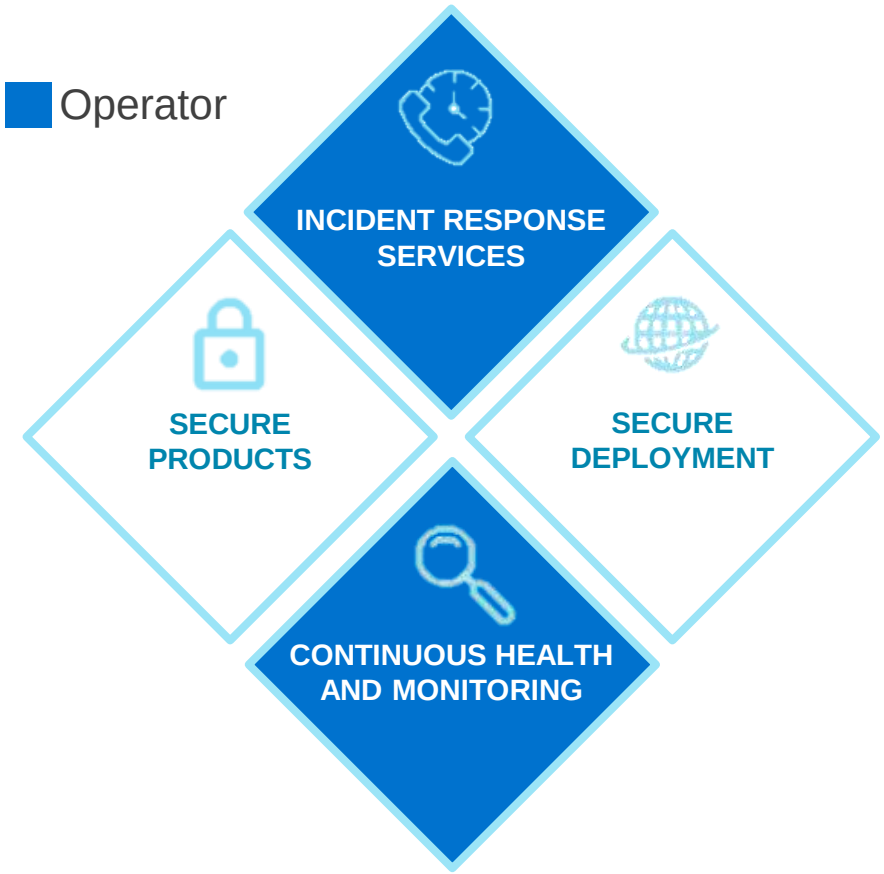
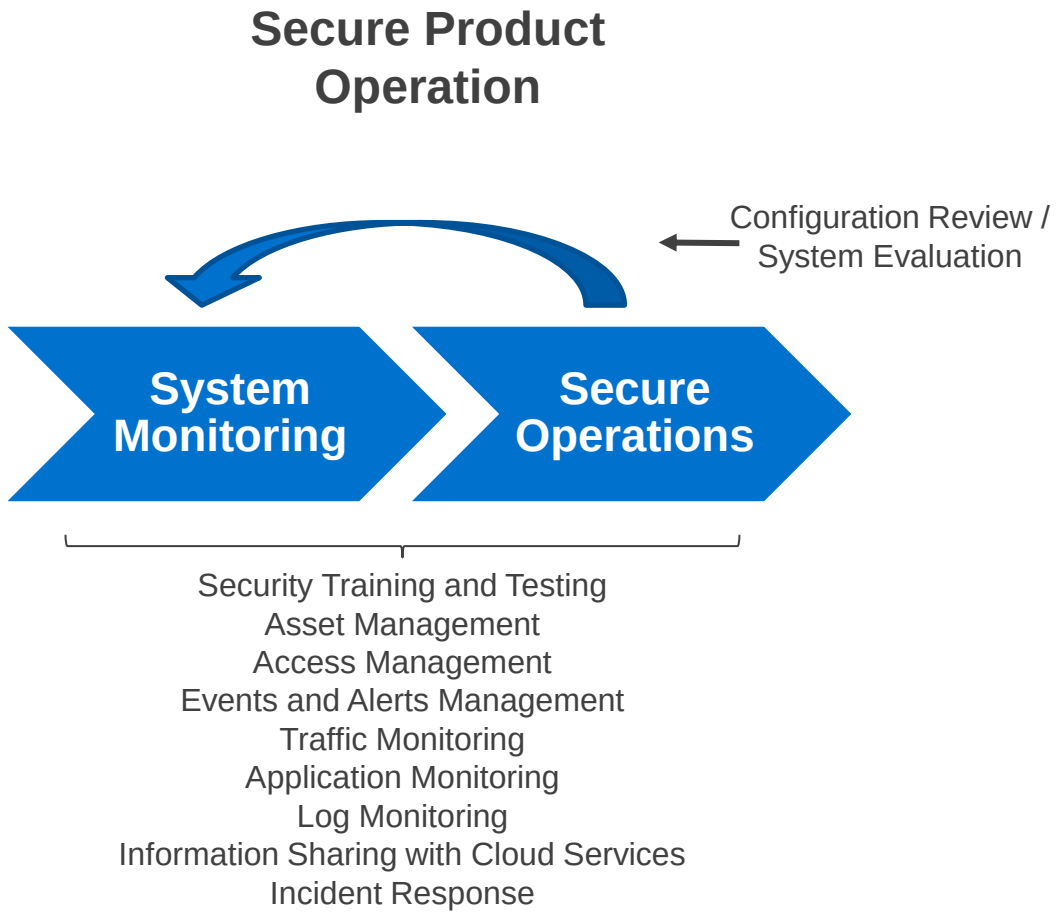




Operator Responsibilities

- Continuous health and monitoring strategies: *Log Monitoring, Event Monitoring, Backups, Patch Management, Anti-malware, Firewalls, Produce Reviews, Secure DMZ, External Reviews, Threat hunting*
- Incident response: *Log Management, Cyber Intel, Incident Reporting, Escalation Management, Security Exercises, Response and Recovery, Digital Forensics*



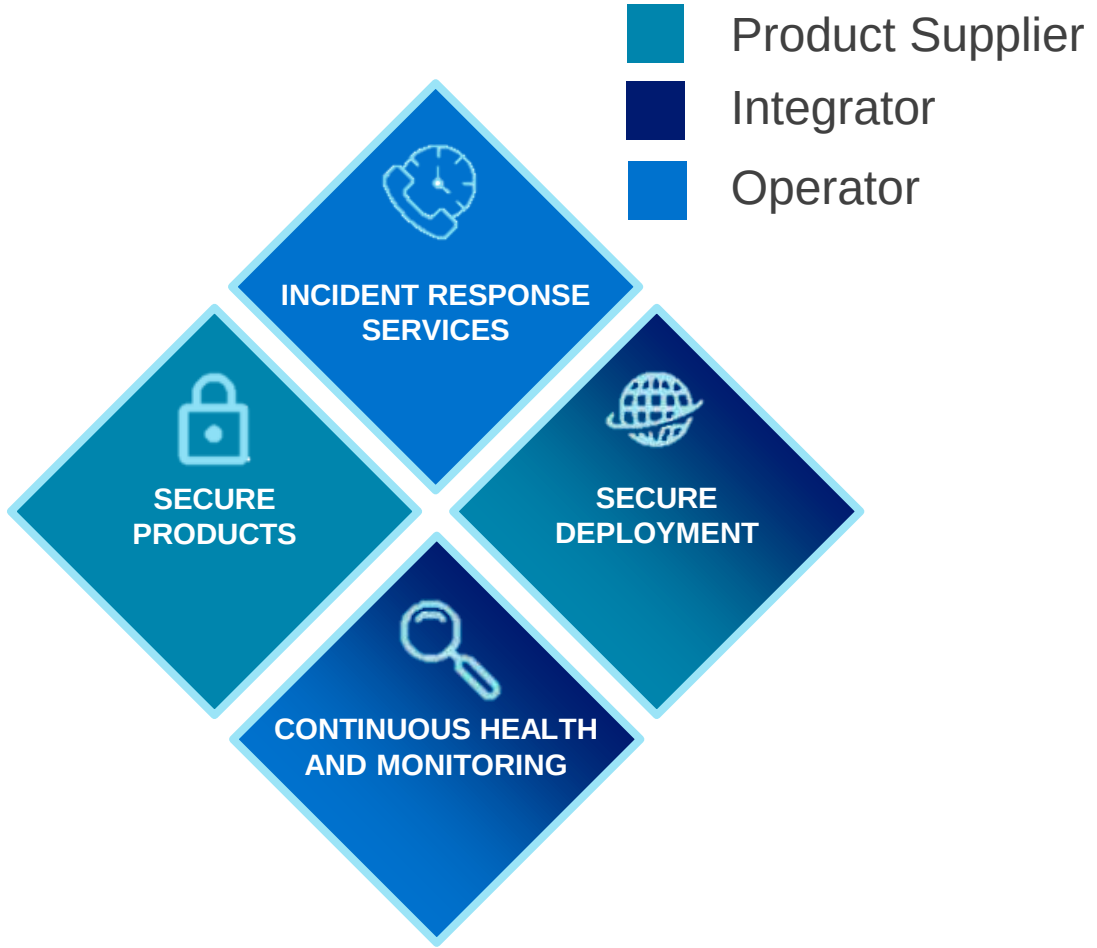


Strong Cybersecurity Requires Partnership

1. **Digital transformation is necessary** to enable environmental and financial benefits in the water industry

2. Strong security will be built out through a **multi-barrier approach** involving **collaboration and engagement** across multiple parties

3. Industry focus should be on building **strong access control,** organizing **collection management and response,** and creating **strong IIOT-based reference architecture for evaluation**



Strong cyber security requires clearly defined roles for security management and partnerships across certain responsibilities.

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Xylem is building cybersecurity into products and solutions

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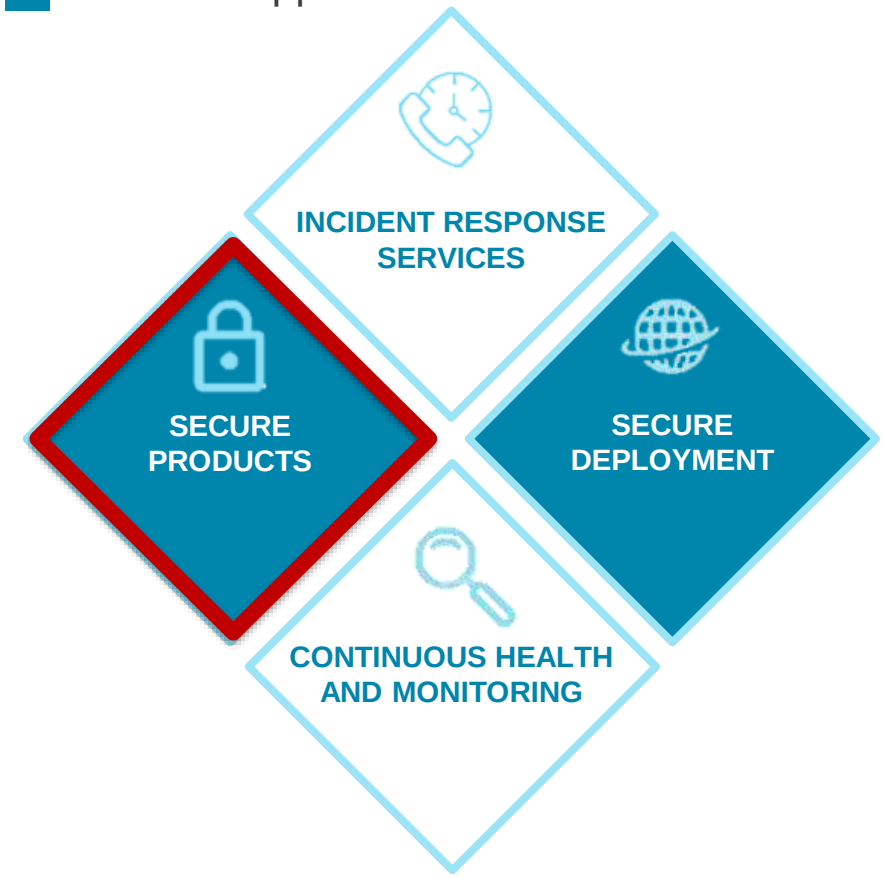
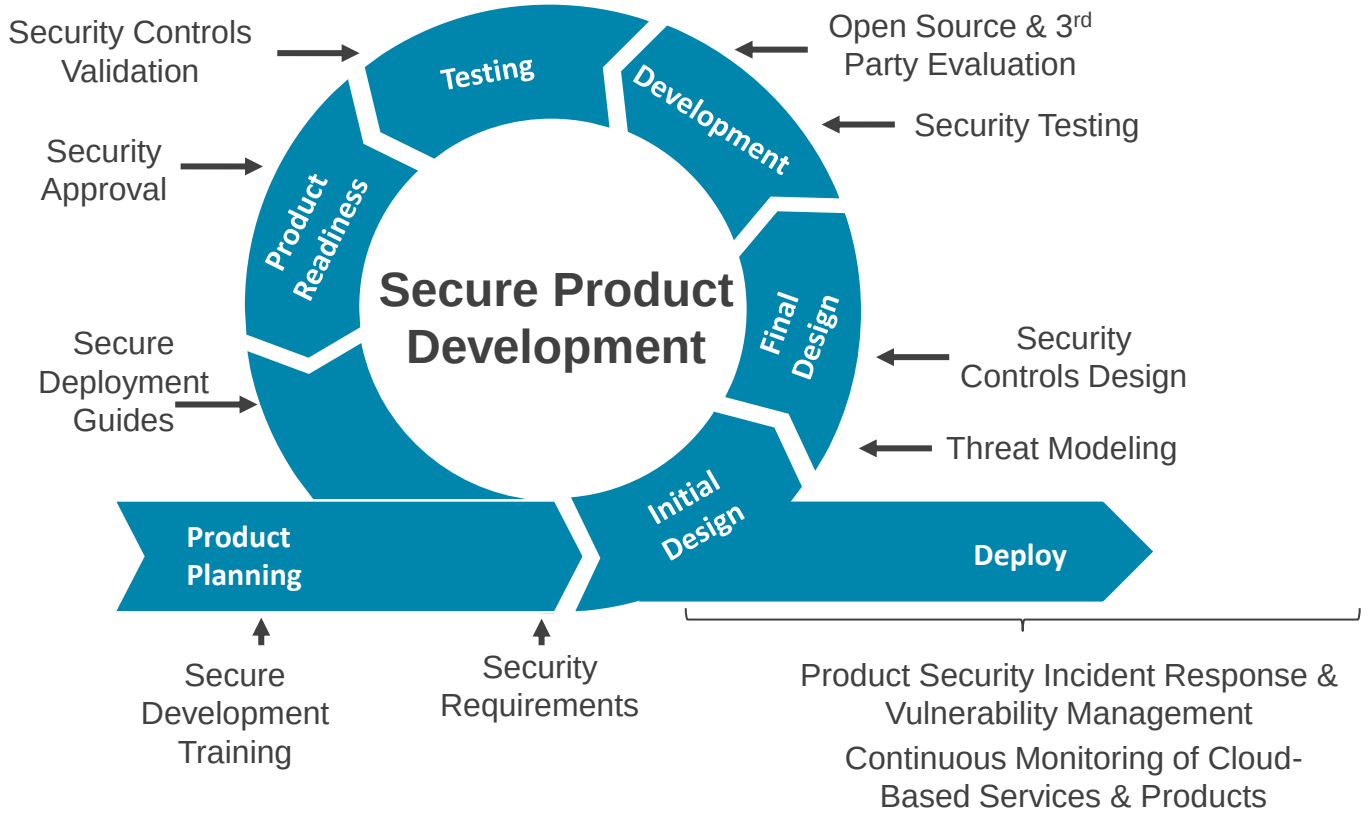




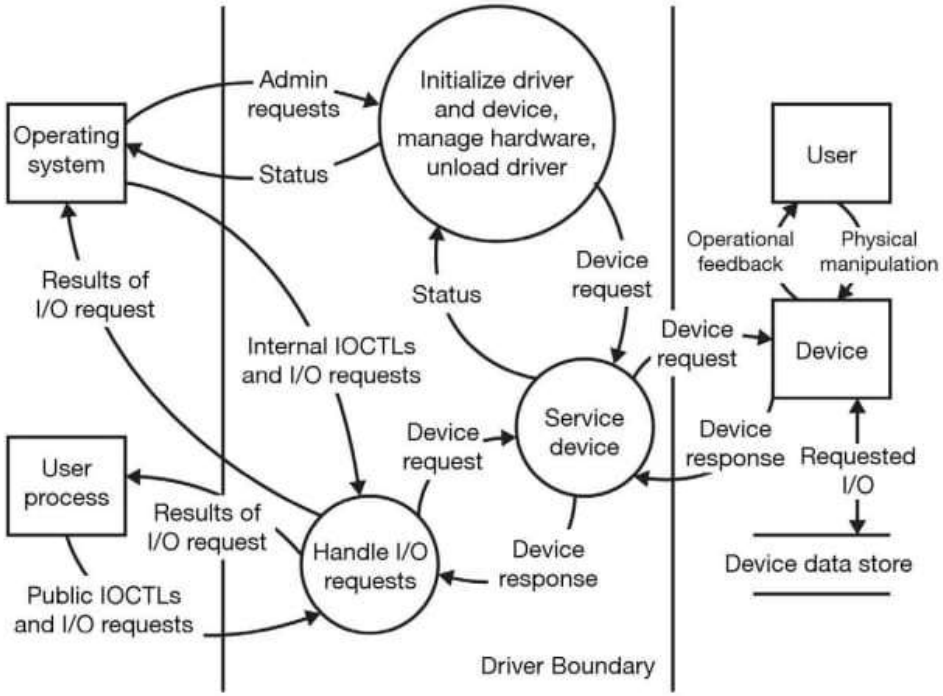
Product Threat Model (focus on data flow, storage, processes)

Product DFD
Where does the data go?

Countermeasures
What can we do about it?

Threat Susceptibilities
What can go wrong?

Priorities
What do we need now?
Are we doing enough?
What do we do next?



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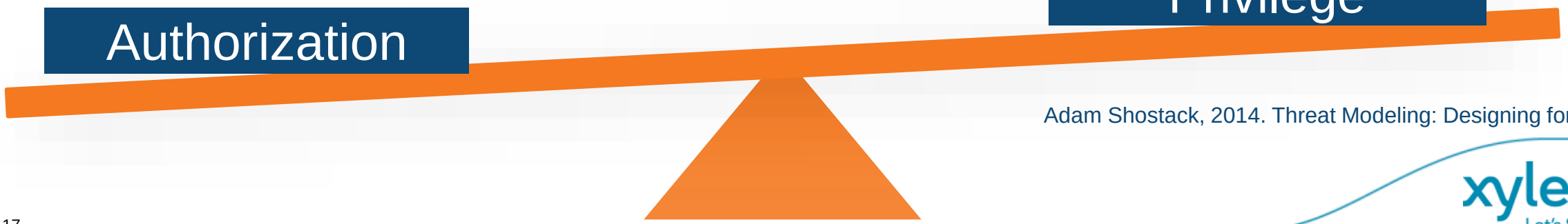

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Threat Model – Xylem uses DREAD to help scoring/prioritization.

Damage – how bad would an attack be?

Reproducibility – how easy is it to reproduce the attack?

Exploitability – how much work is it to launch the attack?

Affected users – how many people/customers will be impacted?

Discoverability – how easy is it to discover the threat susceptibility?

Q: For each Threat Documented, Rate the Threat against the impact to the Organization.

	Rating	High (3)	Medium (2)	Low (1)
D	Damage potential	The attacker can subvert the security system	Leaking sensitive information	Leaking trivial information
R	Reproducibility	The attack can be reproduced every time and does not require a timing window.	The attack can be reproduced, but only with a timing window and a particular race situation.	The attack is very difficult to reproduce, even with knowledge of the security hole.
E	Exploitability	A novice programmer could make the attack in a short time.	A skilled programmer could make the attack, then repeat the steps.	The attack requires an extremely skilled person and in-depth knowledge every time to exploit.
A	Affected users	All users, default configuration, key customers	Some users, non-default configuration	Very small percentage of users, obscure feature; affects anonymous users
D	Discoverability	The vulnerability is found in the most commonly used feature and is very noticeable.	The vulnerability is in a seldom-used part of the product, and only a few users should come across it.	The bug is obscure, and it is unlikely that users will work out damage potential.

No	Threat	D	R	E	A	D	Total	Rating
1	Attacker obtains authentication credentials by monitoring the network.	3	3	2	2	2	12	High
2	SQL commands injected into application.	3	3	3	3	2	14	High

Testing (a variety of testing methods help track flaw remediation)

SCA – Software Composition Analysis (easy way to find known libraries, licenses, vulnerabilities)

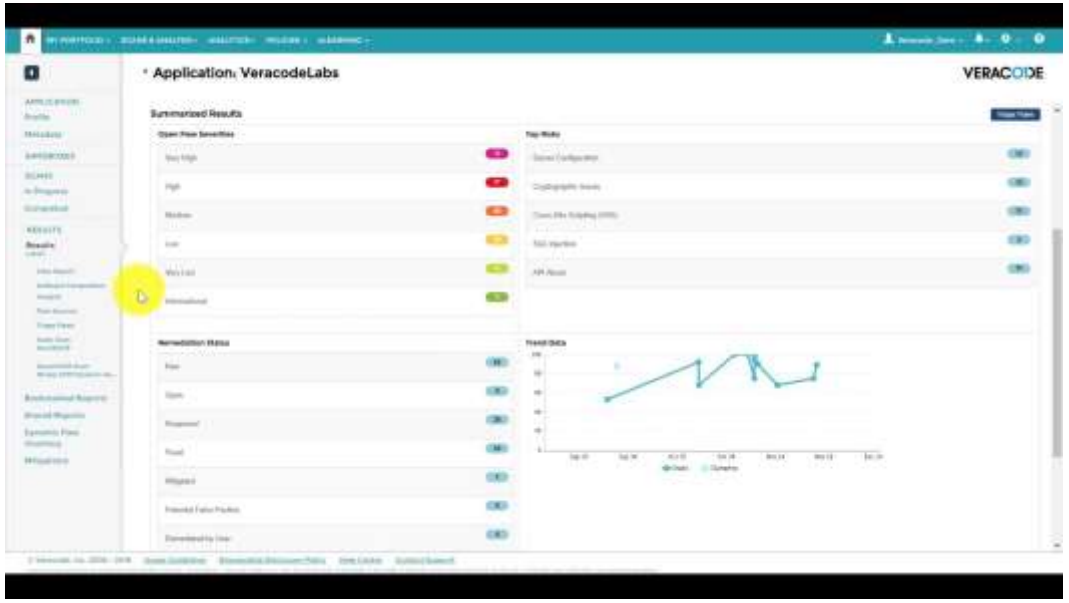
SAST – Static Application Security Testing (looks at code design to find common security flaws) Example: Veracode works for:

- Java, Javascript, C++, Go, etc…
- iOS apps, Android apps (when built in certain way)
- C (when built w GCC-compiler for ARM-based chipset)

Hardware and Firmware Security Testing (manually looks at peripheral connectivity and code design for security flaws)

Protocol / Fuzz Testing (sends malformed information to look for coding errors and security flaws)

Penetration Testing (schedule for high-risk products)



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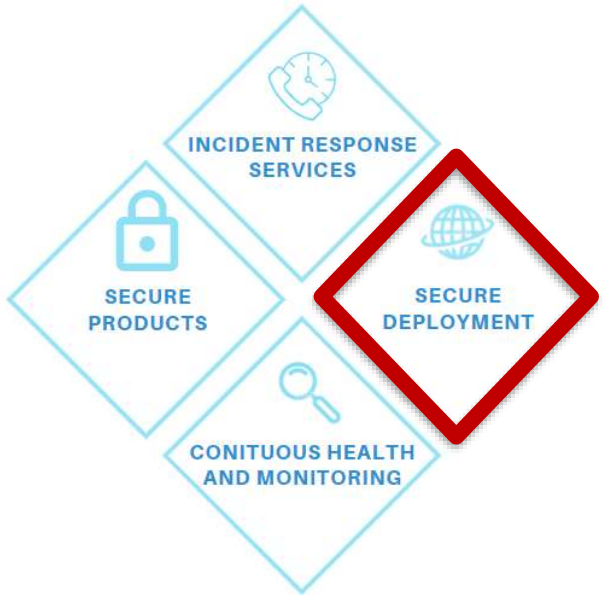
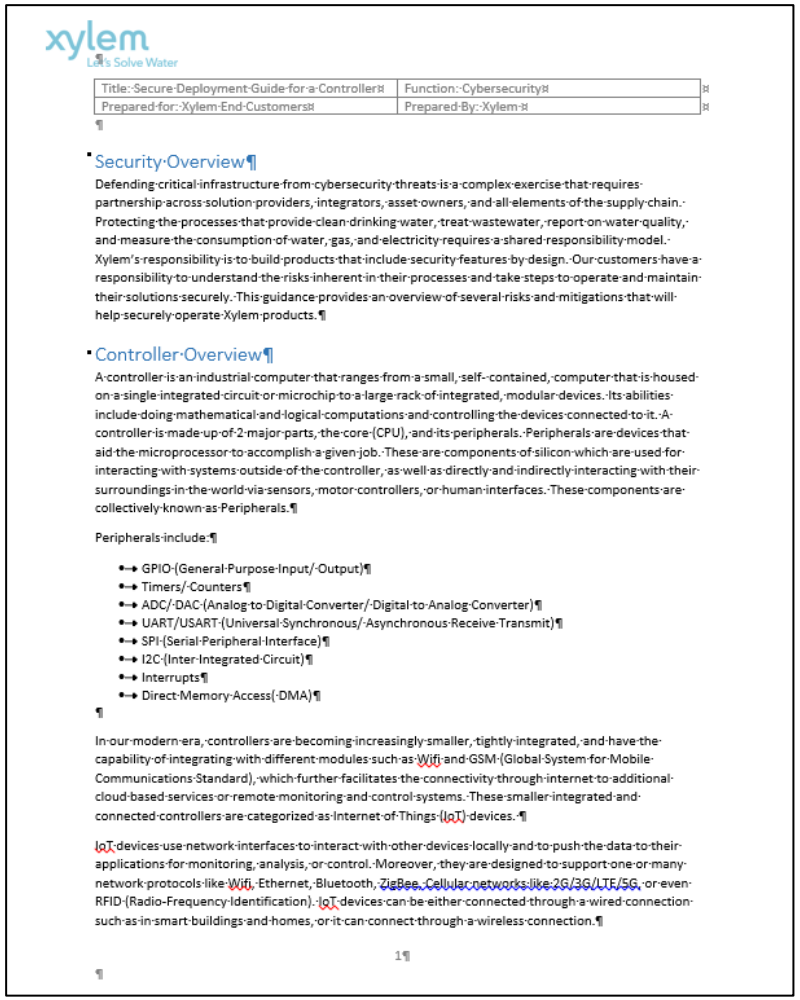
Secure Deployment Guides help integrators and customers

Supplement Installation and Operations Manuals.

- Overview of product security
- Description of product cybersecurity features
- Customer guidance for secure deployment





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Title: Secure Deployment Guide for a Controller	Function: Cybersecurity
Prepared for: Xylem End Customers	Prepared By: Xylem

Security Overview

Defending critical infrastructure from cybersecurity threats is a complex exercise that requires partnership across solution providers, integrators, asset owners, and all elements of the supply chain. Protecting the processes that provide clean drinking water, treat wastewater, report on water quality, and measure the consumption of water, gas, and electricity requires a shared responsibility model. Xylem's responsibility is to build products that include security features by design. Our customers have a responsibility to understand the risks inherent in their processes and take steps to operate and maintain their solutions securely. This guidance provides an overview of several risks and mitigations that will help securely operate Xylem products.

Controller Overview

A controller is an industrial computer that ranges from a small, self-contained, computer that is housed on a single integrated circuit or microchip to a large rack of integrated, modular devices. Its abilities include doing mathematical and logical computations and controlling the devices connected to it. A controller is made up of 2 major parts, the core (CPU), and its peripherals. Peripherals are devices that aid the microprocessor to accomplish a given job. These are components of silicon which are used for interacting with systems outside of the controller, as well as directly and indirectly interacting with their surroundings in the world via sensors, motor controllers, or human interfaces. These components are collectively known as Peripherals.

Peripherals include:

- GPIO (General Purpose Input/Output)
- Timers/Counters
- ADC/DAC (Analog to Digital Converter/Digital to Analog Converter)
- UART/USART (Universal Synchronous/Asynchronous Receive Transmit)
- SPI (Serial Peripheral Interface)
- I2C (Inter Integrated Circuit)
- Interrupts
- Direct Memory Access (DMA)

In our modern era, controllers are becoming increasingly smaller, tightly integrated, and have the capability of integrating with different modules such as Wifi and GSM (Global System for Mobile Communications Standard), which further facilitates the connectivity through internet to additional cloud based services or remote monitoring and control systems. These smaller integrated and connected controllers are categorized as Internet of Things (IoT) devices.

IoT devices use network interfaces to interact with other devices locally and to push the data to their applications for monitoring, analysis, or control. Moreover, they are designed to support one or many network protocols like Wifi, Ethernet, Bluetooth, ZigBee, Cellular networks like 2G/3G/LTE/5G, or even RFID (Radio Frequency Identification). IoT devices can be either connected through a wired connection such as in smart buildings and homes, or it can connect through a wireless connection.

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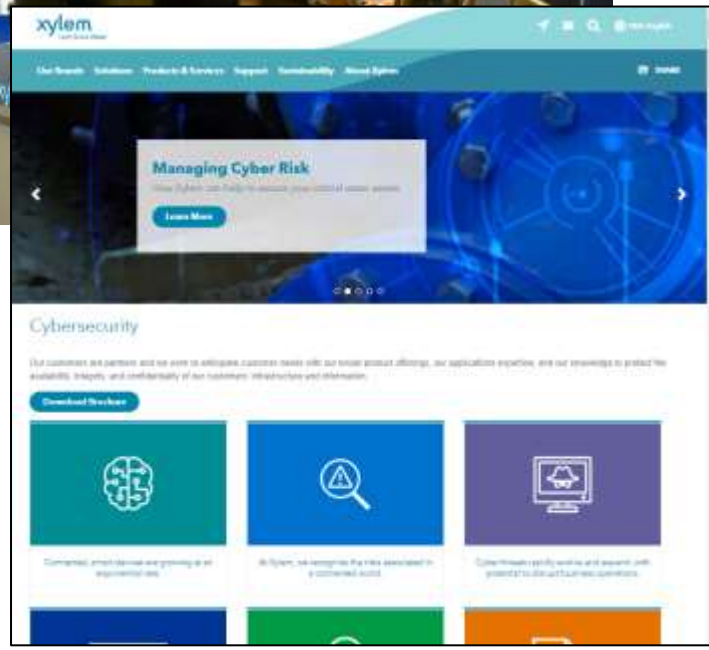
Product Security Operations Center (PSOC) & Product Security Incident Response Team (PSIRT)

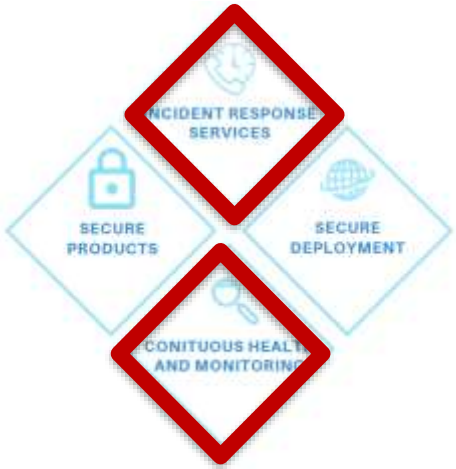
PSOC

- continuously collect logs (firewall, IOT connections, certificate usage, product changes)
- continuously deploy updates and monitor infrastructure
- continuous collect threats and do threat hunting for “indicators of possible compromise”

PSIRT

- continuous monitor threat researcher community
- quickly coordinate across product teams for updates and communication to customers





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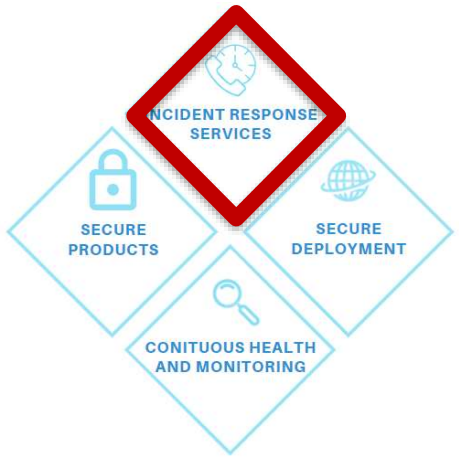
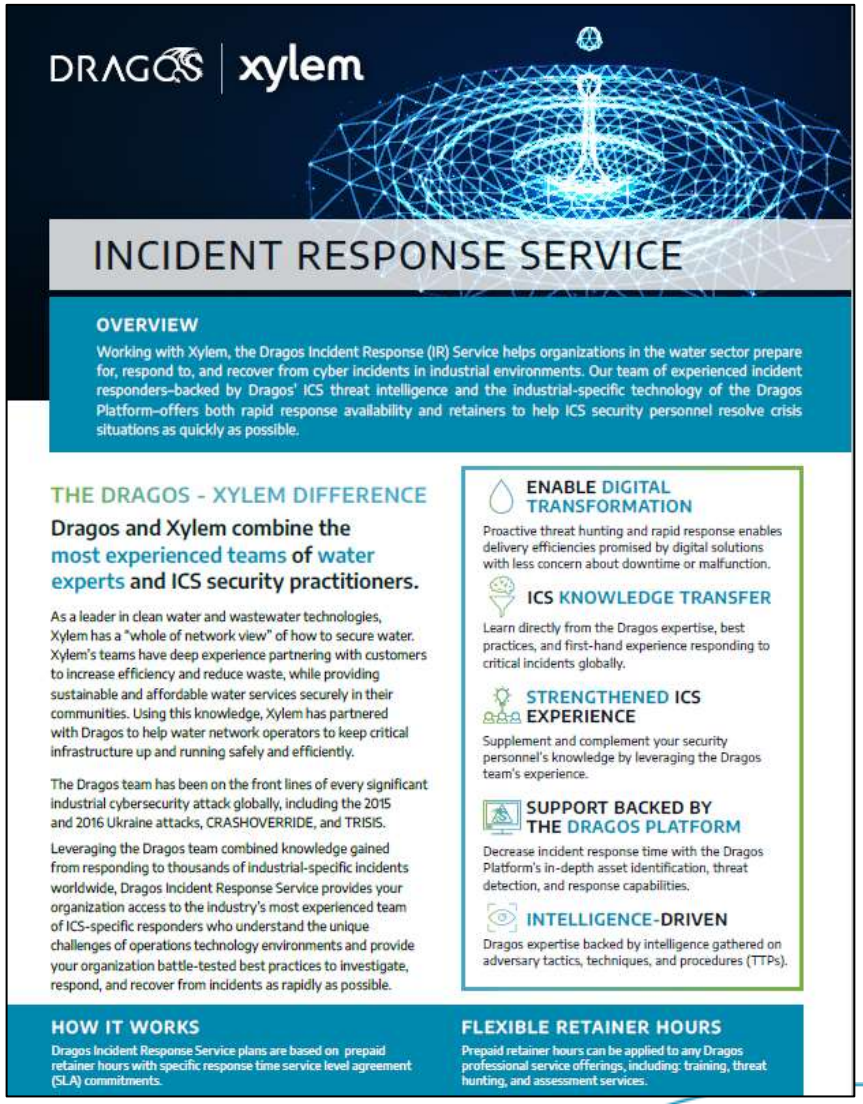
Partnership with Dragos (for security evaluations and IR services

- Enables rapid response to active industrial intrusion
- Reduces mean time to recover from industrial incidents
- Prepares customers for industrial incidents across all business units
- Prevents future industrial accidents





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Protecting Over-the-air firmware updates (FOTA) for Industrial Internet of Things (IIOT) - Threat Model

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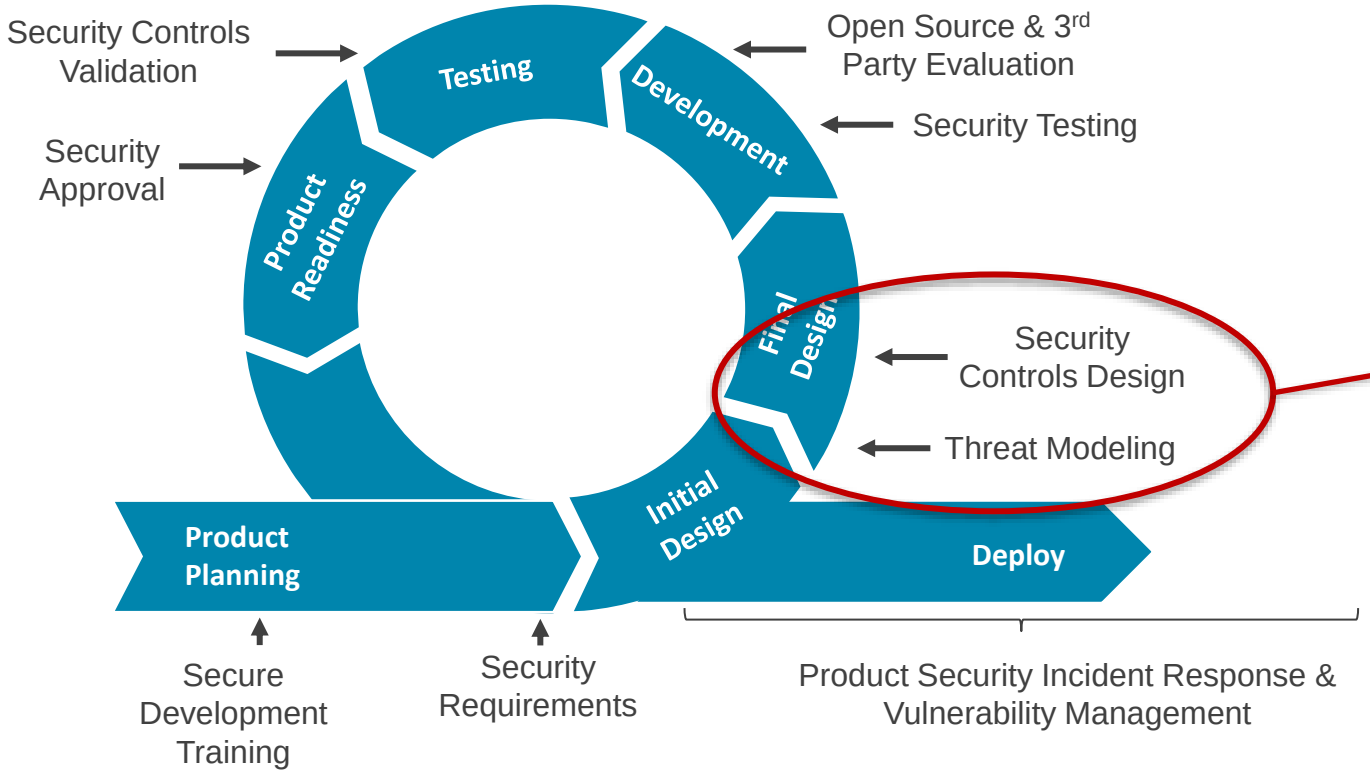

Inherent risk is high for FOTA;
No security requirements/specs;
Focus is on threat modeling for strong security controls

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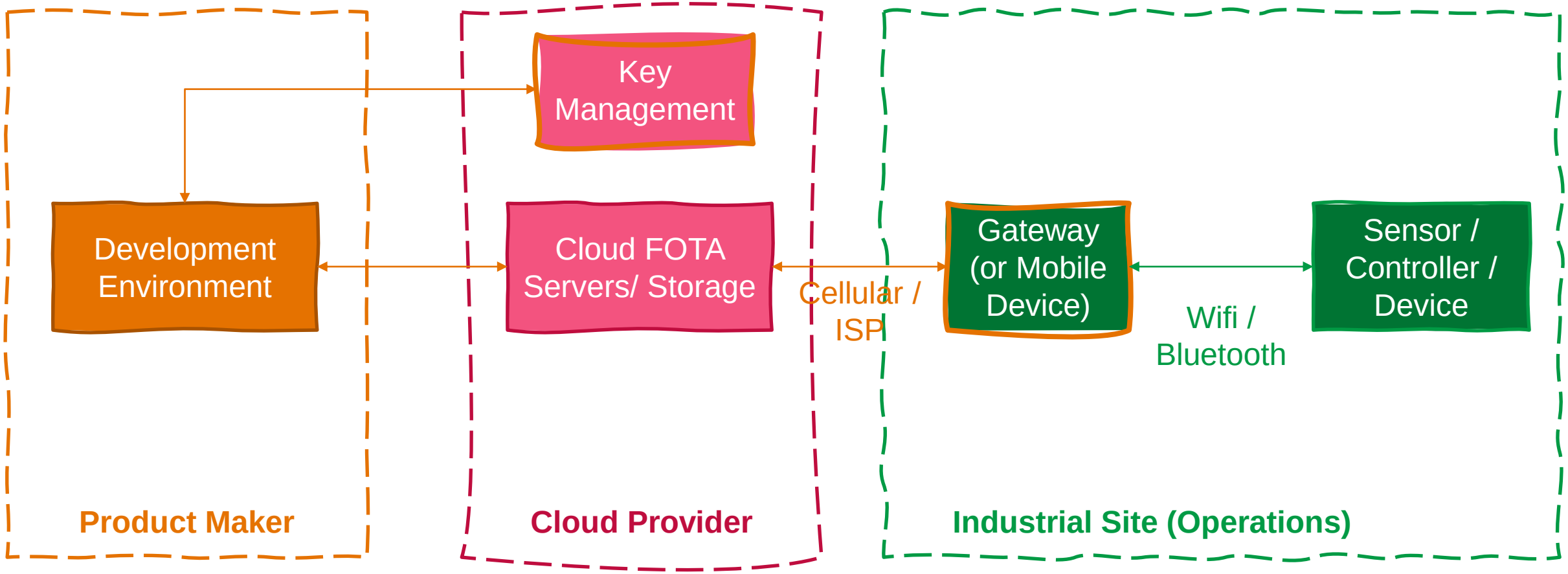
Over-the-air firmware updates (FOTA) – rough sketch



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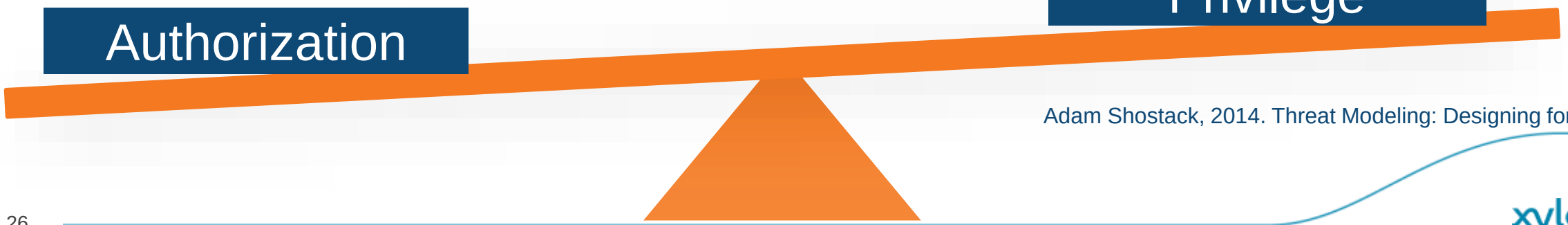

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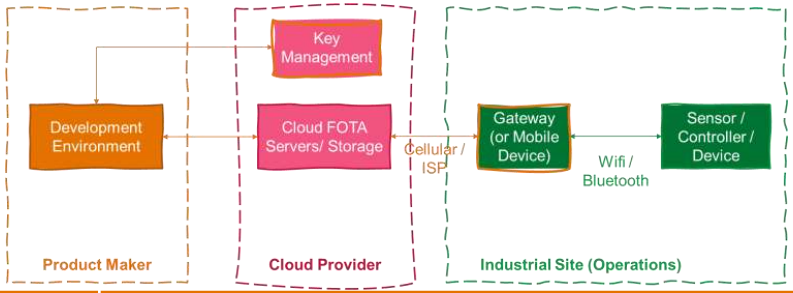
FOTA attack surface (examples)



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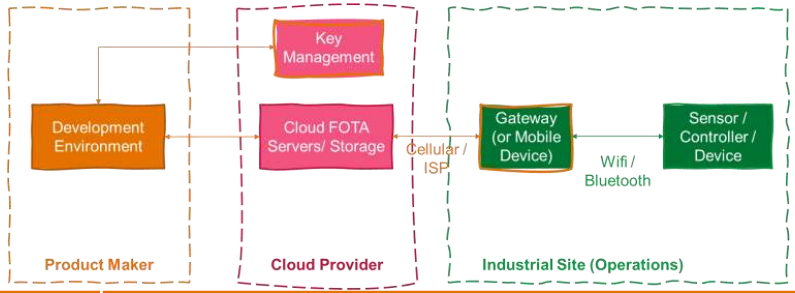
FOTA attack surface - Example 1



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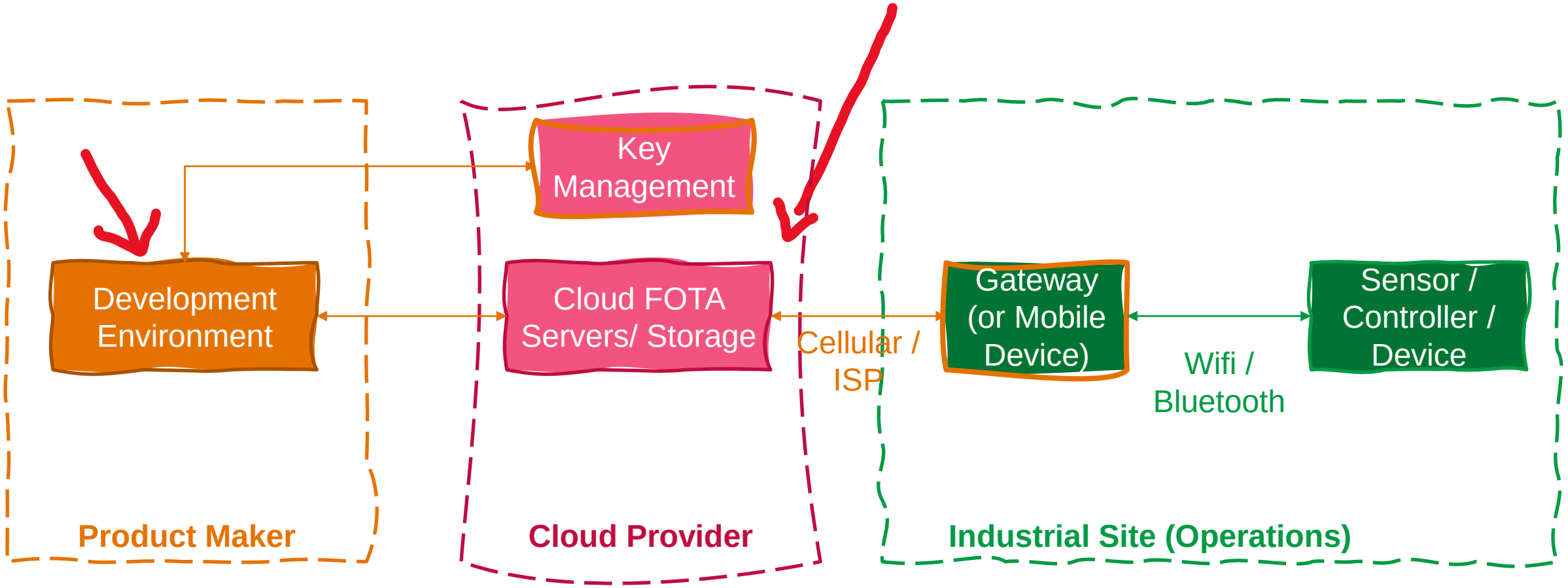
FOTA Threats – Example 1

Threats: Internal users getting elevation of privileges; spoof developer's identity



Controls: authorization checks, multifactor authentication, two-party approval process, logging, network segmentation

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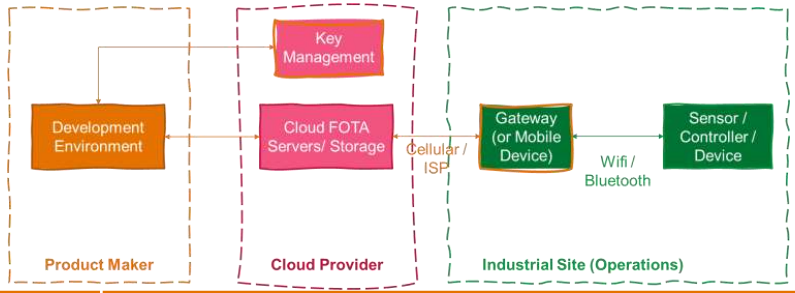

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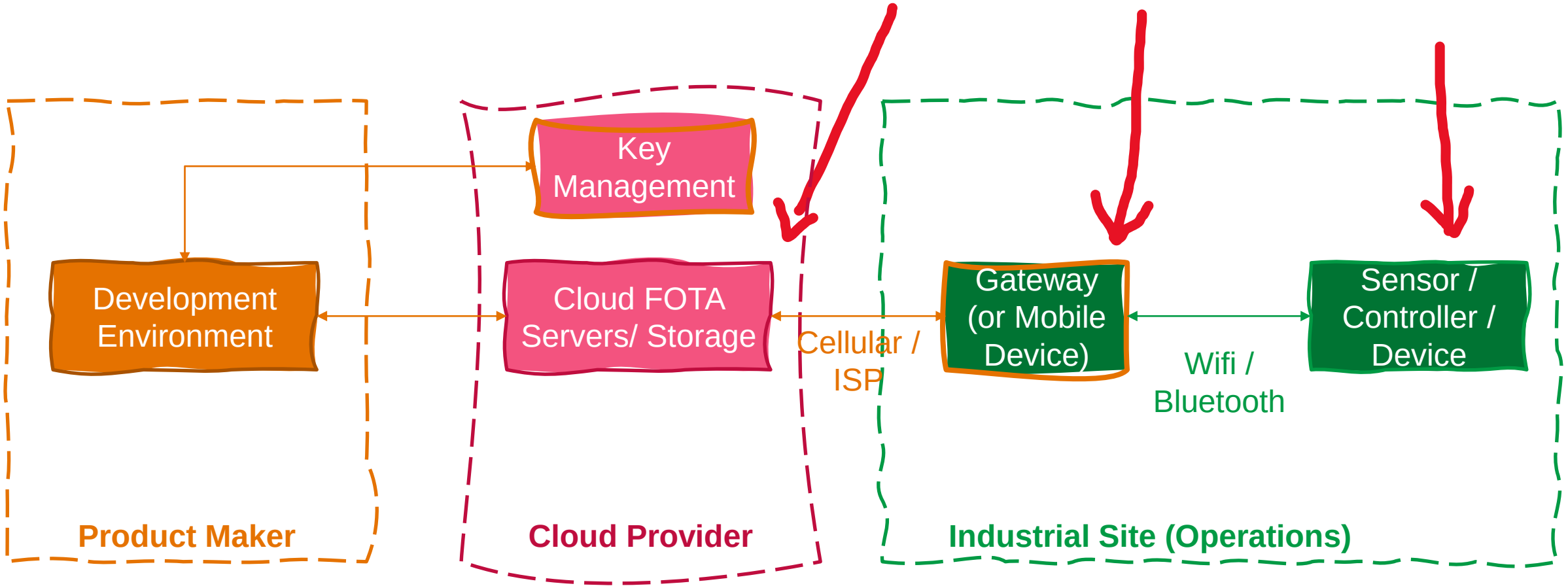
Threats: rogue firmware updates; really large update files



Controls: signing, logging, version tracking and verification, validation checks on the update size and battery

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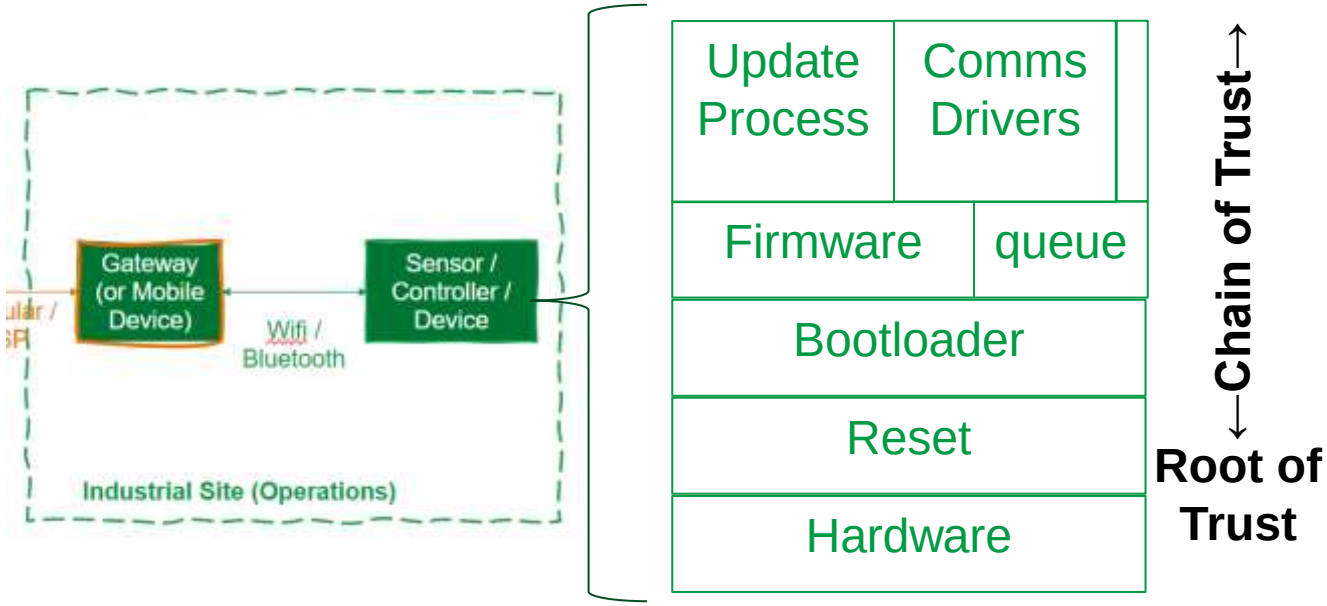
1. Ensure that the device can verify the authenticity and integrity of any FW, and that it can continue to securely operate if the FW update process is interrupted.

- Firmware signing
- Private key protection
- Secure boot / boot integrity
- Secure update process
- Device resilience and rollback



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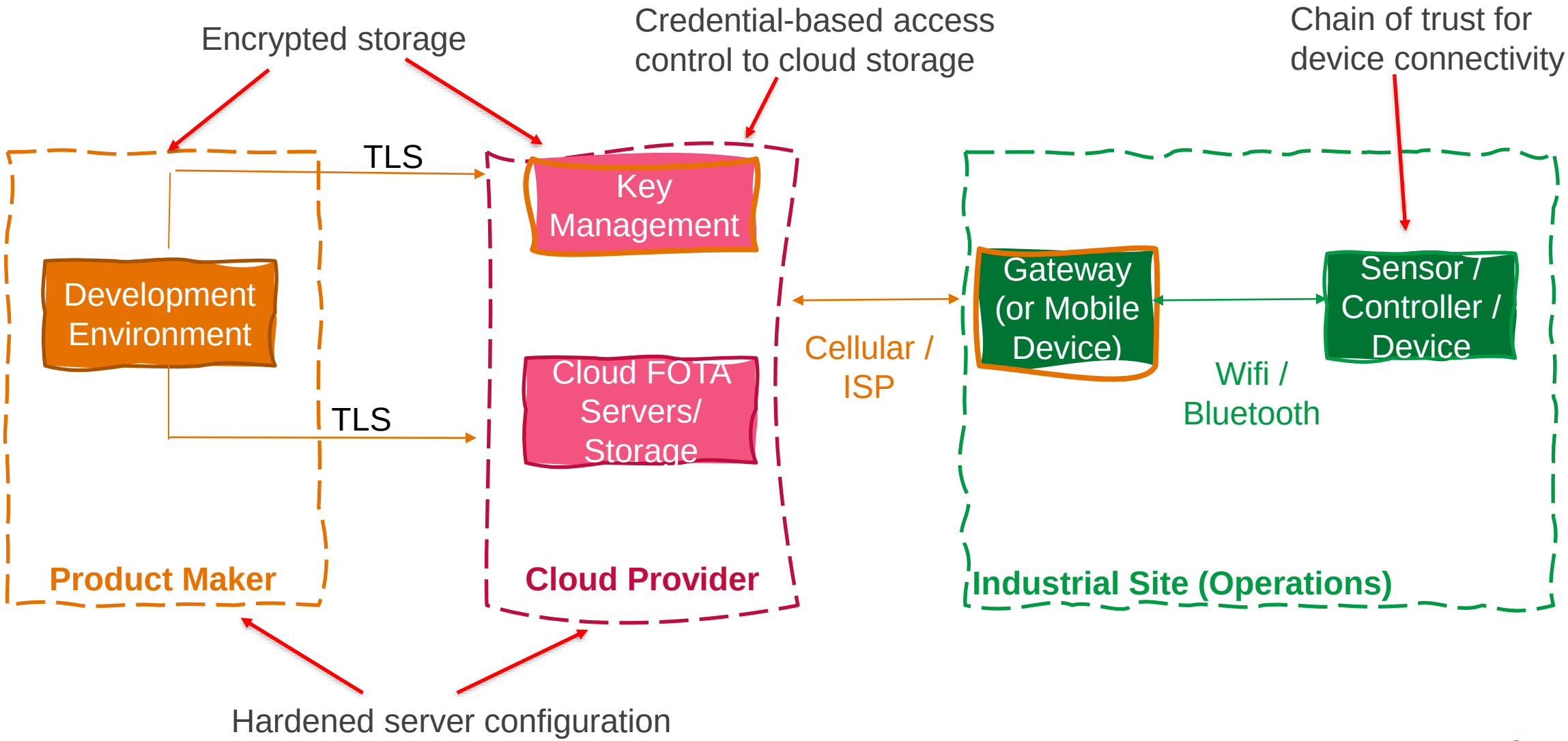
2. Ensure that the FW is protected from time of compilation/signing, at rest on cloud servers, and in transit.



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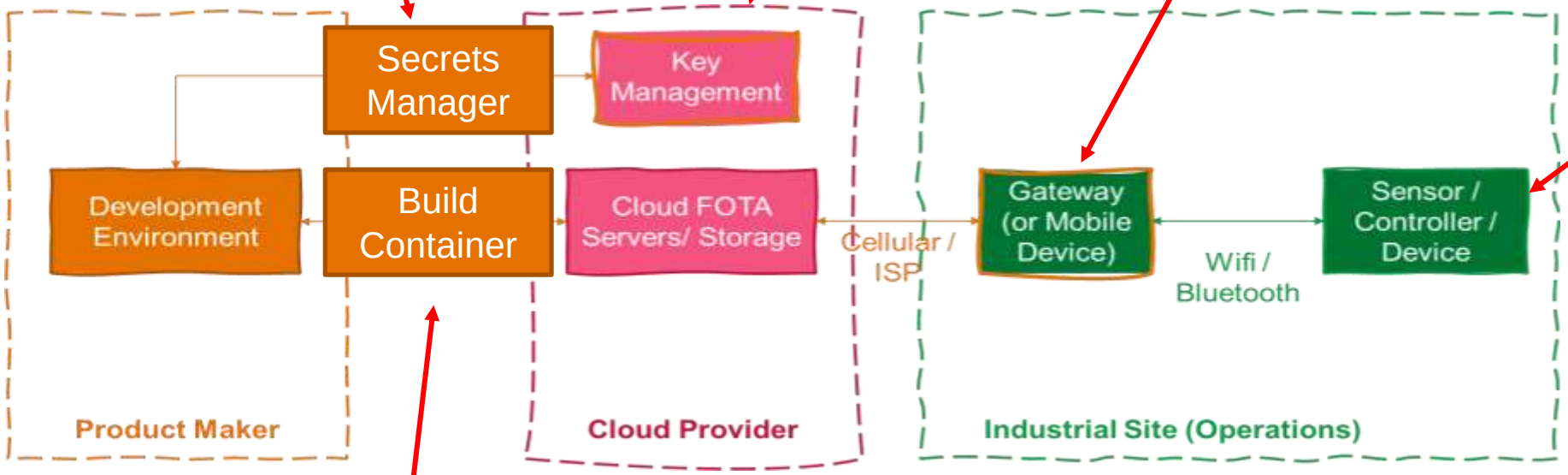
3. Automate the build pipeline for FOTA.



Separate credentials from the build container

Use cloud KMS with unshared private key

Gateway pre-verification

Crypto agility – know whether how to rotate keys or algorithms

Automated firmware build & sign might require special tools. (Use logs and log-suppression appropriately.)

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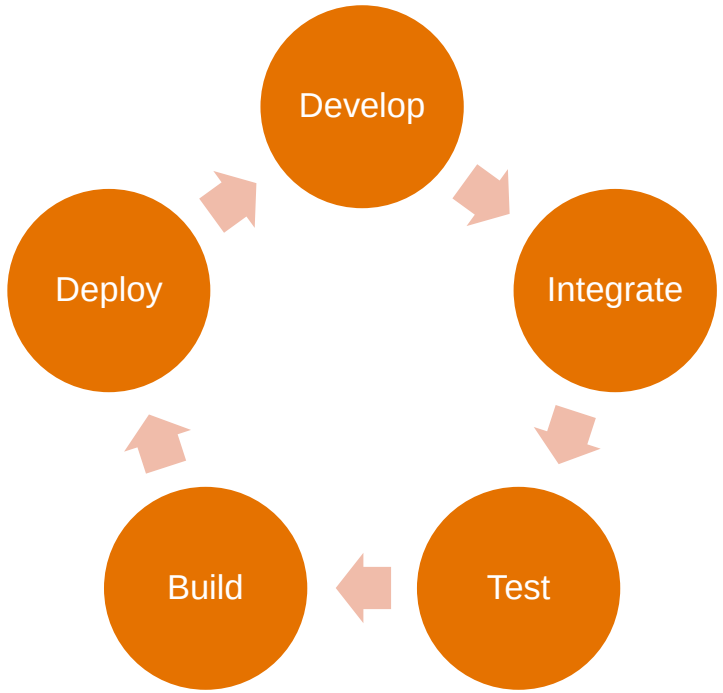
4. Ensure that the FW build process minimizes the possibility of tampering, repudiation, etc. and that the FW builds are verified and logged prior to distribution.

- Role-based access control
- Firmware testing and verification
- Two+ person “merge to master” approval process
- Multi-factor authentication for privileged roles
- Full logging and log comparison
- Version verification
- Pipelines automation



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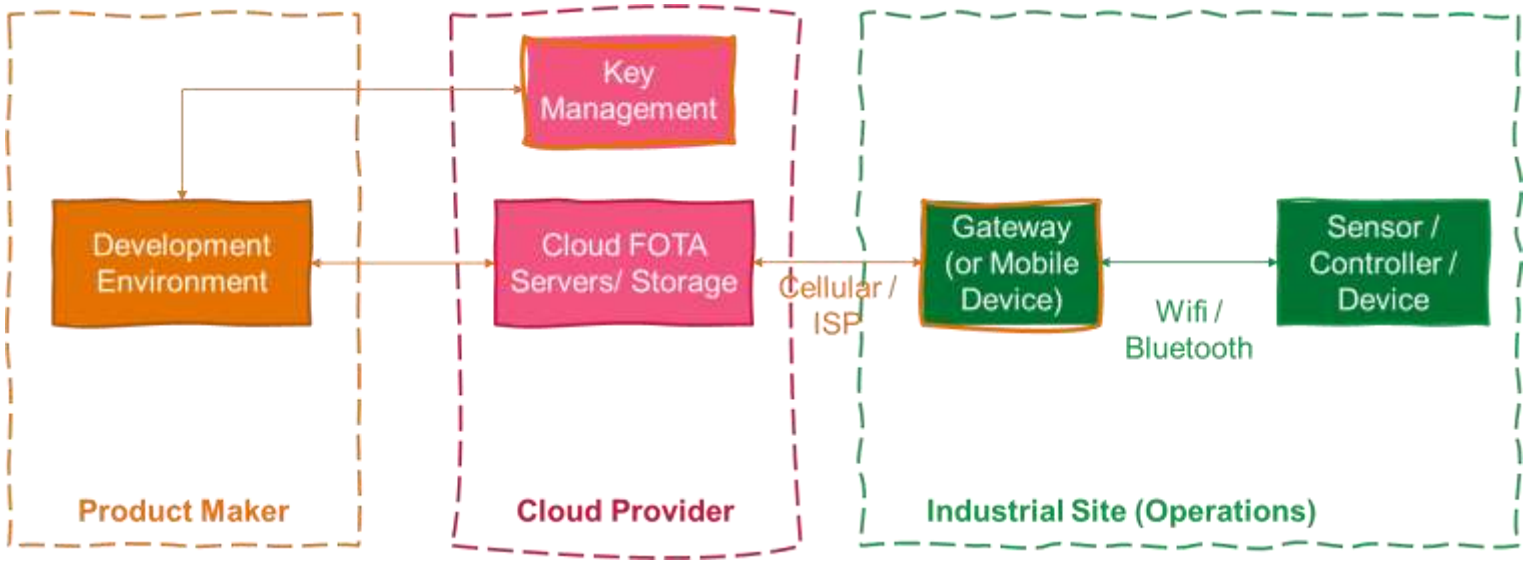
Over-the-air firmware updates (FOTA) – Summary



*1. Ensure that the **device can verify the authenticity and integrity** of any FW, and that it can continue to securely operate if the FW update process is interrupted.*

*2. Ensure that the **FW is protected from source to destination** from time of compilation/signing, at rest on cloud servers, and in transit.*

*3. **Automate** the build pipeline for FOTA.*

*4. Ensure that the **FW processes are hardened** minimizing the possibility of tampering, repudiation, etc. and that the FW builds **are verified and logged** prior to distribution.*

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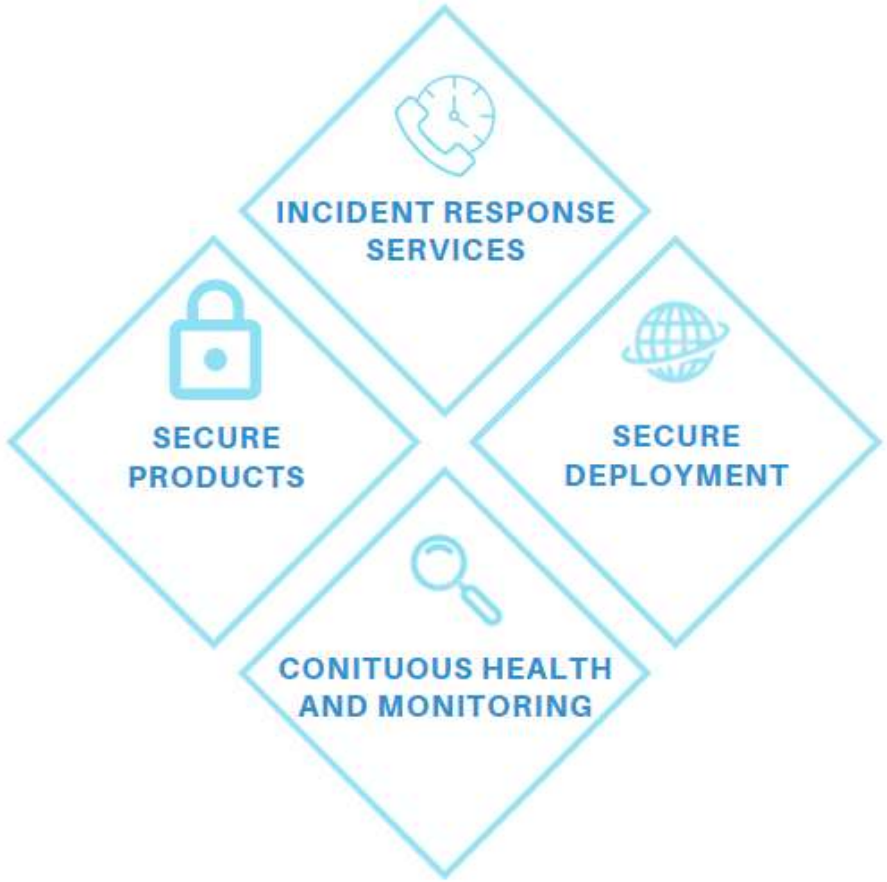
Cybersecurity Multi-Barrier Approach is a Partnership



Secure products by finding and fixing weaknesses while engineering

Secure deployments with defense-in-depth that manages risks to the operations of systems and products

Continuous health and monitoring ensures continuous improvement against emerging vulnerabilities and threats

Incident response services assures optimal forensics and response for safe and continuous operations

The operator of the utility is the end owner of security risk, but responsibility for security protection falls on the product vendor, integrator, and operator.

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Questions?

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