

# Android in Industrial Settings

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# Overview

- Secure Mobile Access to the Local ICS Network
  - General purpose devices
  - Mixed OT and IT functionality
- Secure Services on Embedded Android in Industrial Settings
  - Embedded devices
  - Dedicated OT functionality



# Secure Mobile Access to the Local ICS Network

# Introduction

- Use mobile devices in ICS environments
  - Hardware platform
  - Multi-purpose device
  - Built-in security & management technologies

# Introduction

*“...**monitor** any area of production—packaging status, cook temperature or frying capacity—from the palm of their hands...”  
(Hillshire Brands)*

*“We use the app to **monitor** our gas detection devices, but we also use a few controls in the app that allow us to **remotely silence the alarms**...” (Bayer Corp. in Pittsburgh)*

*“The main advantage of a mobile device in an industrial setting is the **real-time access to all information independent** of the workers **location**”*

*“We have a few in-house mobile applications for **handling work orders and purchase orders**, as well as preventative maintenance and inventory.”*

*“troubleshoot **without** the help from the **control room**”*

*“A mobile HMI **reduces communication errors** between people by allowing the **field operator** to access the same data as the **control room** operator.”*

*“...anytime **access to real-time and historical production data** and trends, operators can see where there are problems, where problems might potentially arise, or where additional capacity exists to increase production or run an alternative product.”  
(Hillshire Brands)*

<http://www.automationworld.com/mobility/industrial-mobile-apps-whos-using-them-and-why>

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# Goals



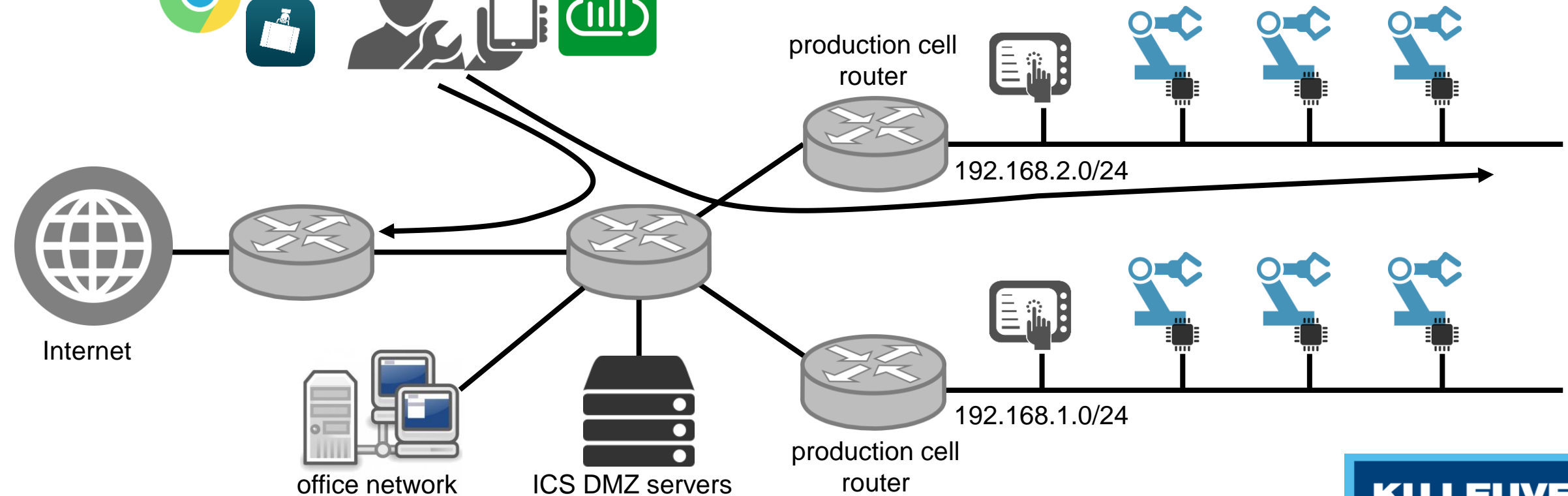
Use mobile to interact with ICS equipment



Use mobile to access company resources/services in back-end



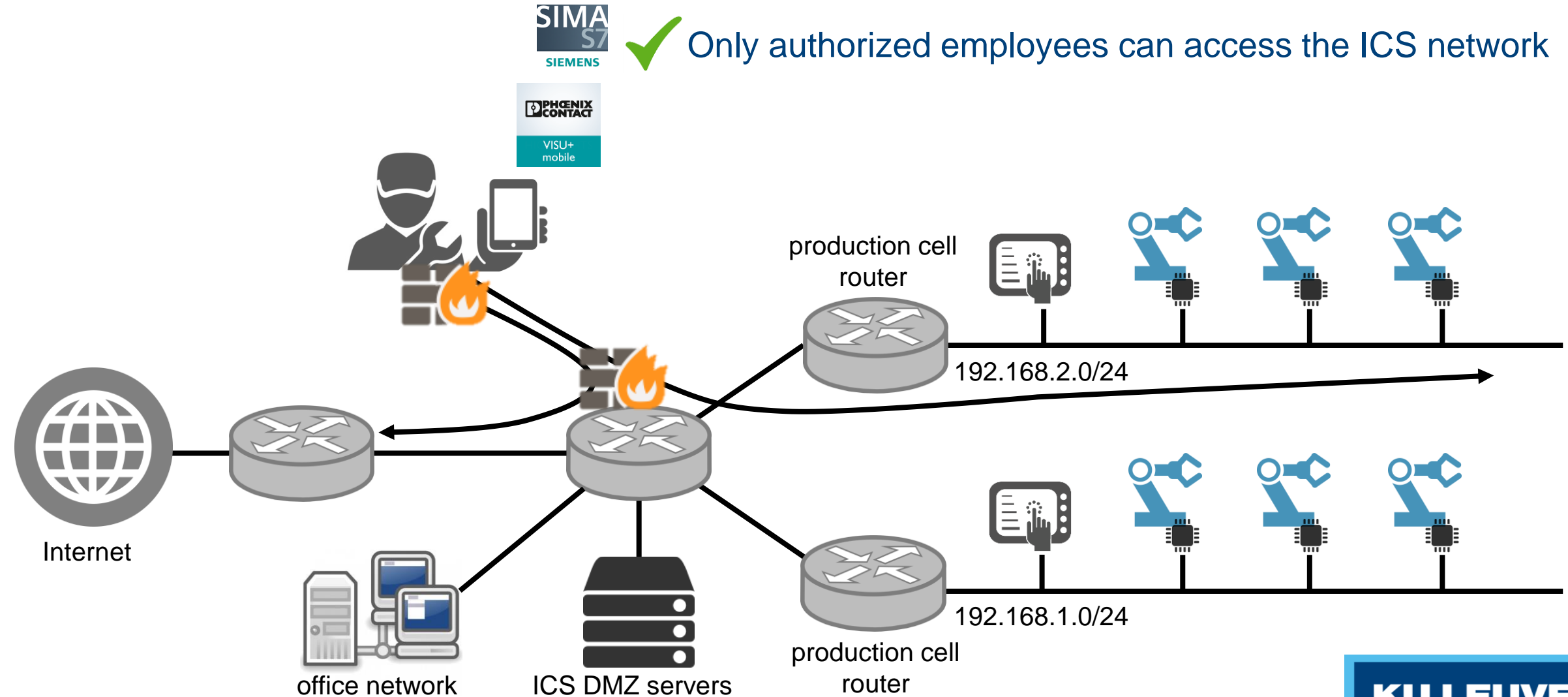
Access resources on the internet



# Goals

✓ Only traffic from specified ICS apps can reach the ICS network

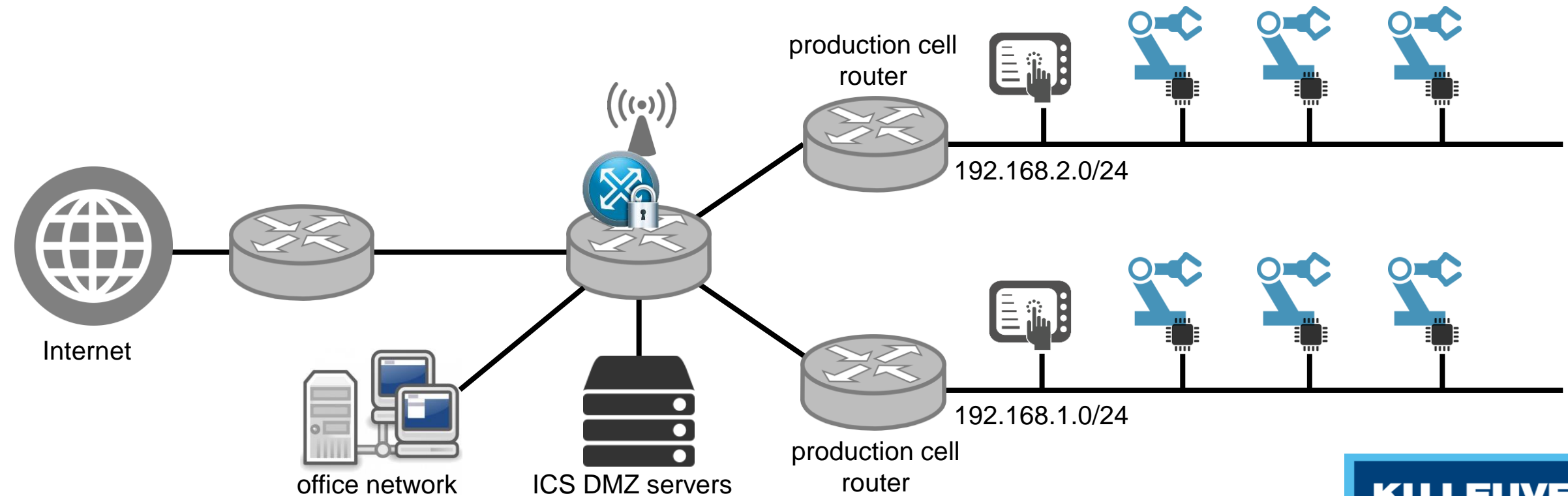
✓ Only authorized employees can access the ICS network



# Setup

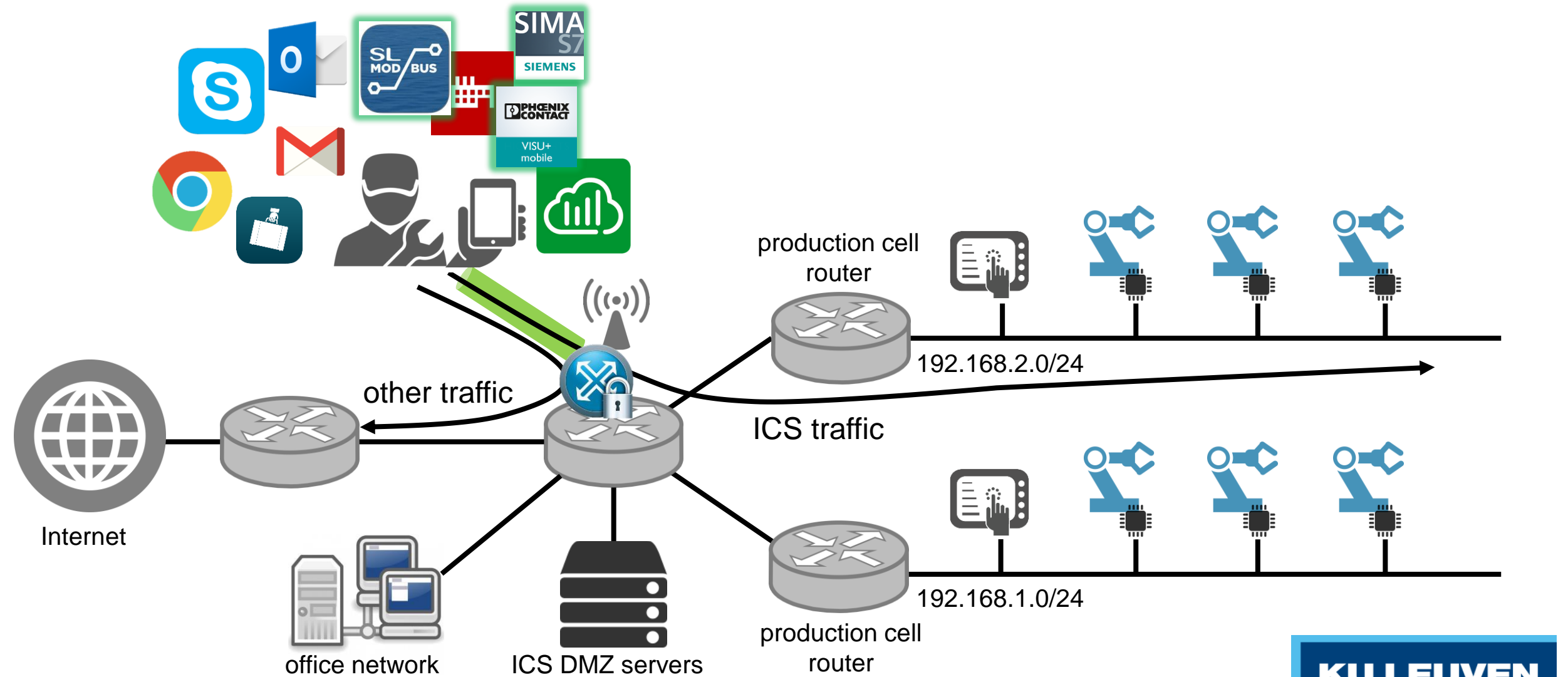


1. Wireless VPN gateway provides authenticated access to ICS network
2. MDM restricts apps that can access VPN interface on mobile device





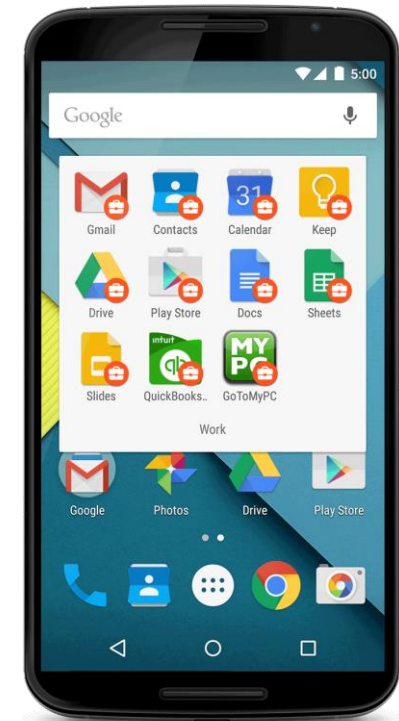
# Setup



# Realisation



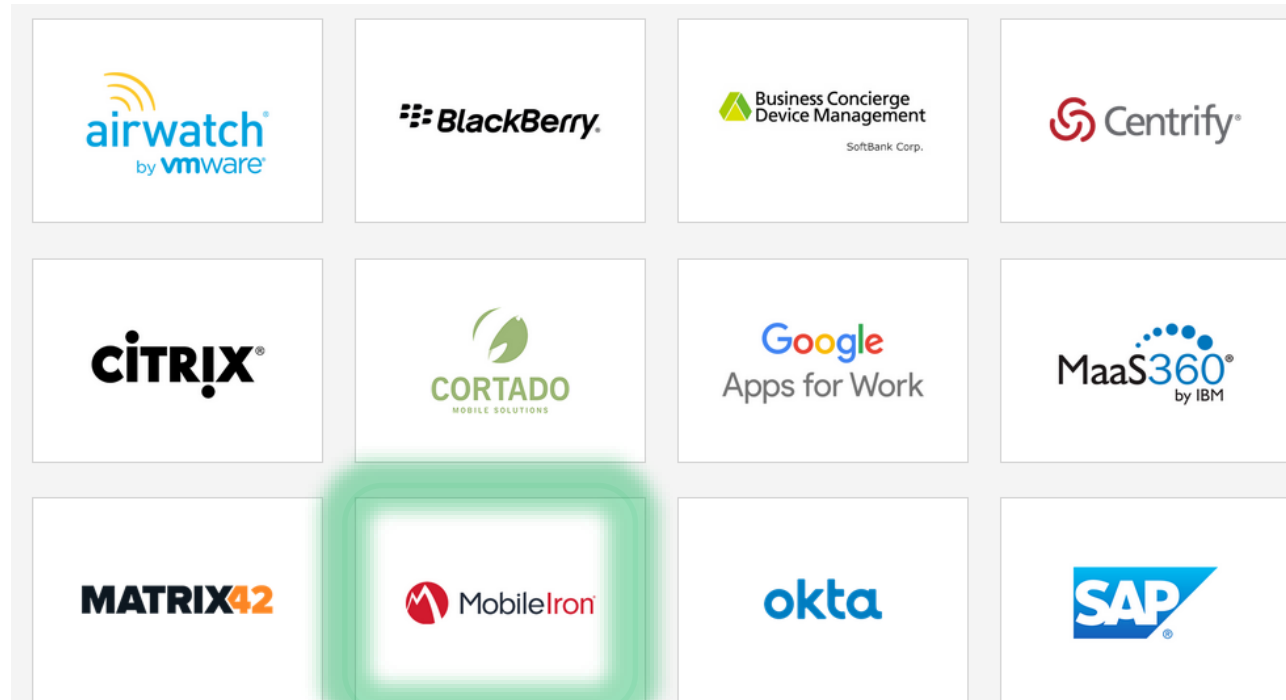
- Uses the Android for Work platform
  - Improve Android usability, security, and flexibility in work environments
  - Built-into recent Android devices (5 and higher)
  - Supports two virtual profiles on Android device
    - Person profile managed by user
    - Work profile managed by employer
  - General security policies set by employer
  - User has both work and personal apps installed
    - Users can have the same app installed in both the work and personal profile
    - Sandboxing between both profiles





# Realisation

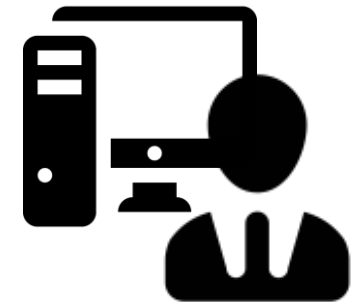
- Enterprise mobility management (EMM) providers provide the interface to manage devices using the AfW framework



# Realisation



- VPN configuration
  - Crypto parameters
  - Endpoint address
  - CA certificate
  - Client certificate
  - Client key
- Selected ICS apps
- Platform security policies



# Conclusion

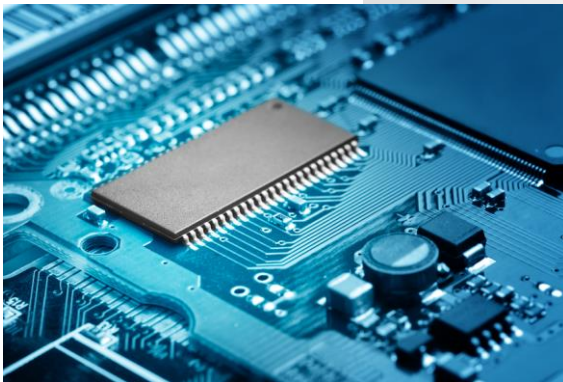
- More in-depth analysis can be found on project website
  - <https://msec.be/verboden/>
- Fully supported by commercial MDM providers
- Similar possibilities for iOS
- Prototype demo during break

# Secure Services on Embedded Android in Industrial Settings

# Introduction



**INTERNET  
OF THINGS**



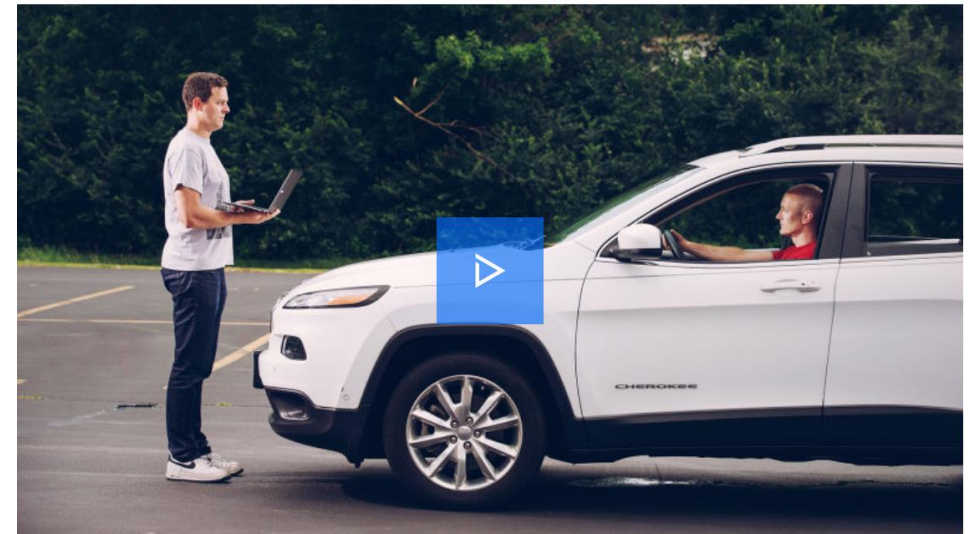
 Plattform  
**INDUSTRIE 4.0**



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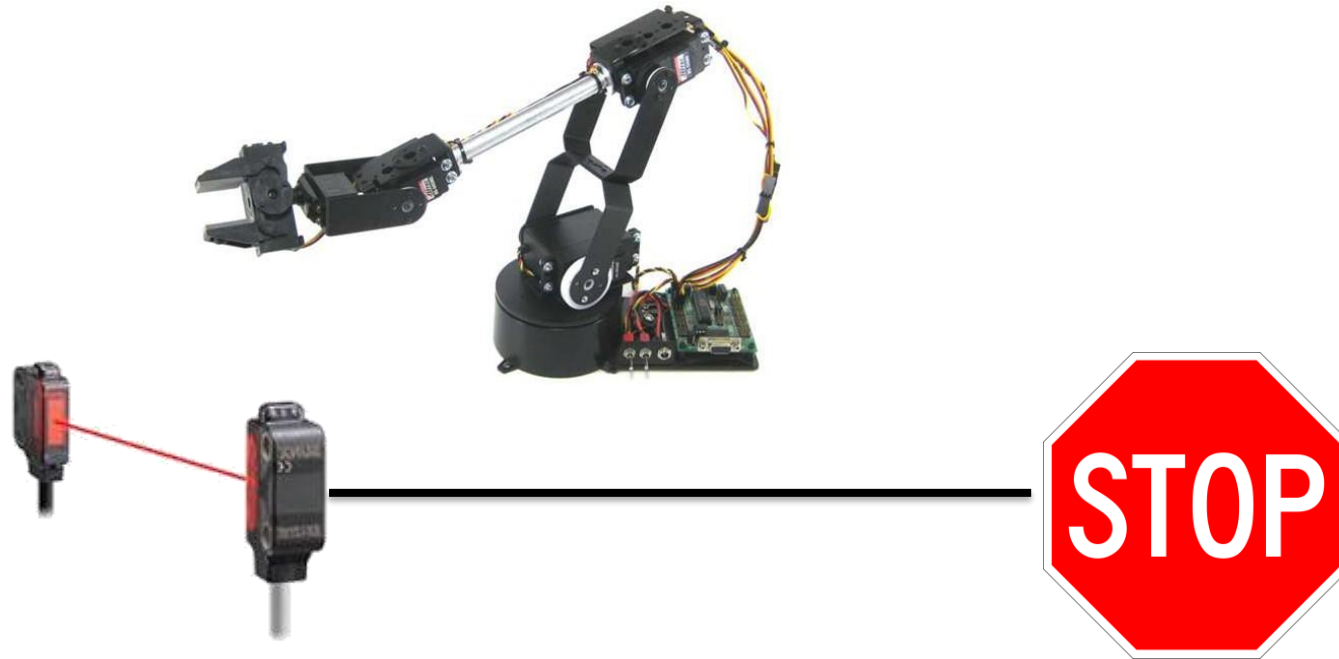


# Our approach



# Secure Service Example

- Robot arm workspace secured with laser sensor
- Secure service: Disable robot arm as soon as laser is broken

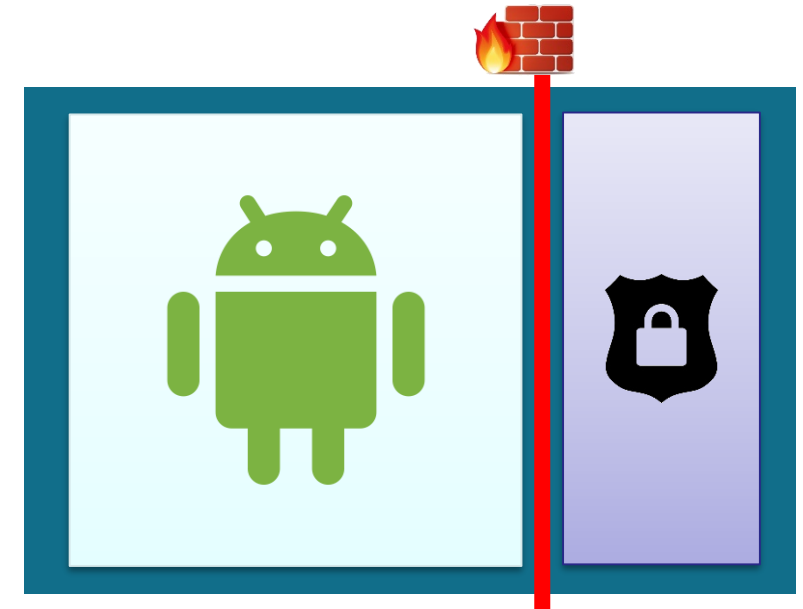


# How does it work?

- Isolate part of the platform from Android
- Isolated section has higher security guarantees
- Uses ARM TrustZone technology

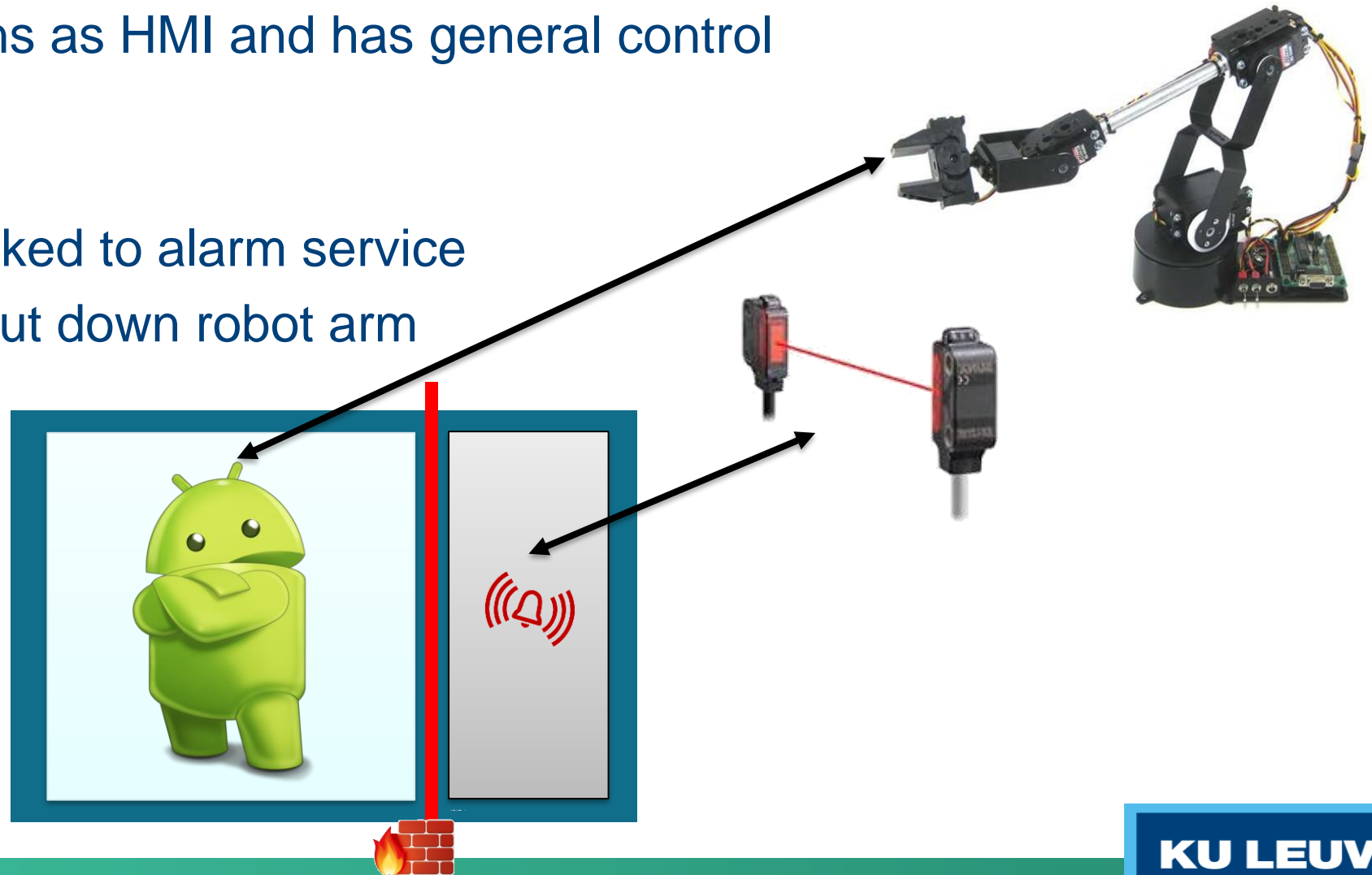


- Prototype developed on SabreLITE board



# Robot Arm

- Android functions as HMI and has general control over robot arm
- Laser sensor linked to alarm service
  - Alarm can shut down robot arm



# Proprietary Software



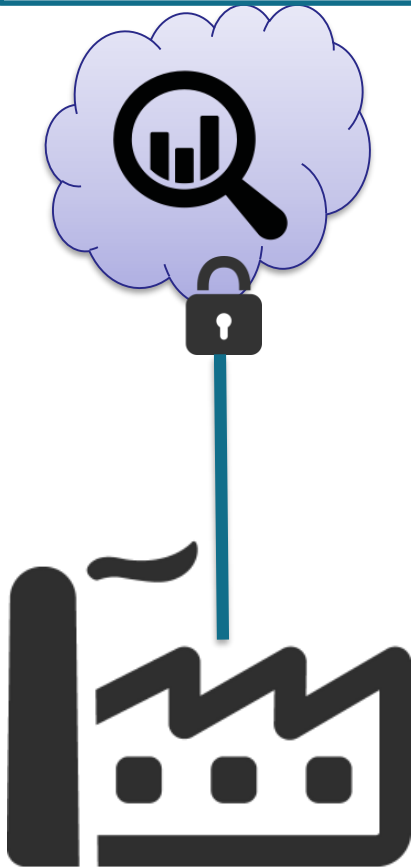
- Company specialised in production floor analysis
- Offers the analysis as service to its clients
- Production floor can be optimized based on the results



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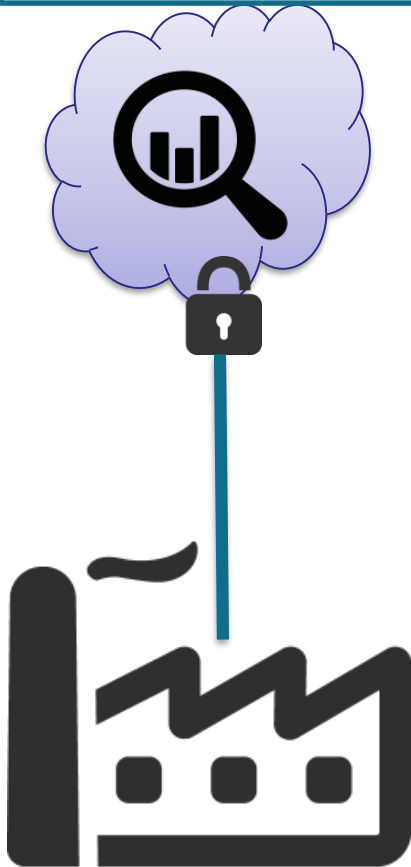
Server side service



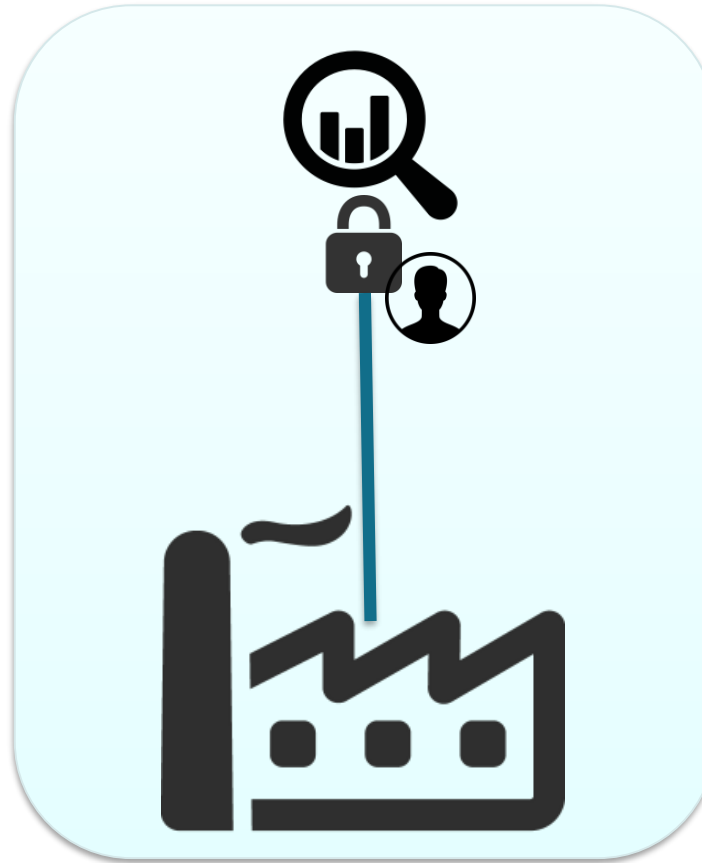
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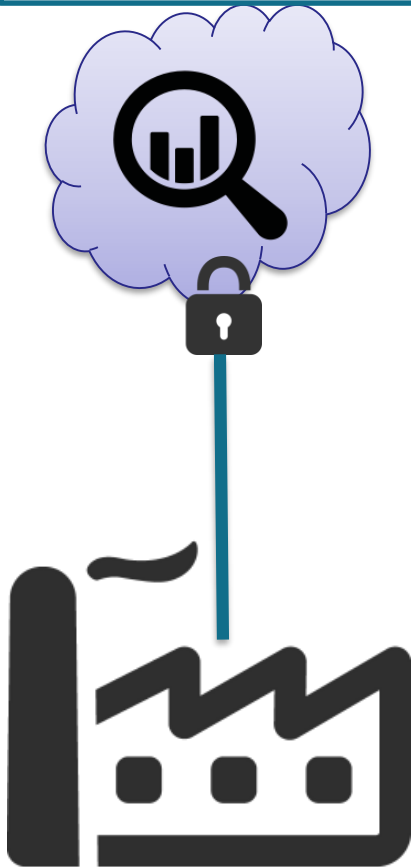


Dedicated device

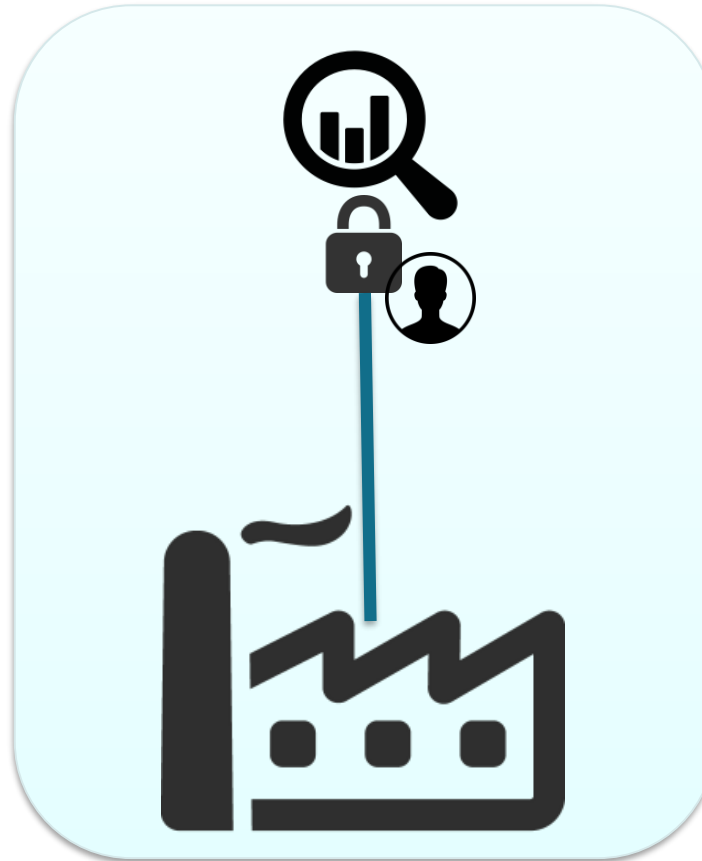


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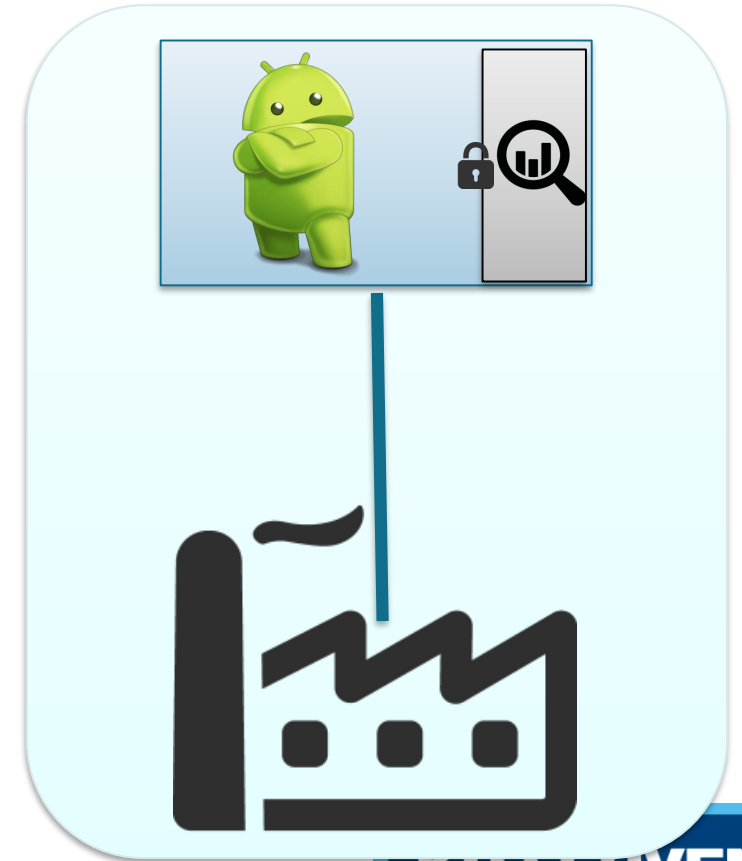
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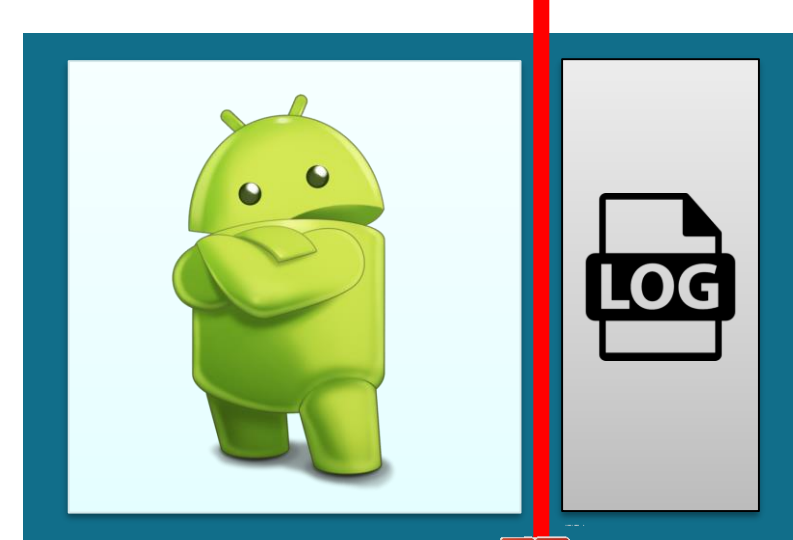
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# Leasing Machines

- Company leases machines to clients
- Price based on usage
- Android used as HMI and control
- Isolated partition creates authenticated logs



# Conclusion

- Android platform can be used to provide secure services
  - Data confidentiality and authenticity
  - Critical services can run unimpeded
- These services can enable new business cases or amplify existing work

