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Current Project: "The Ethical Implications & Unintended Consequences of aiding Digital Collaboration through the use of Cutting-Edge Technologies in the Food Sector"



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Internet of
Food Things
Network Plus





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The working group assessing data trusts, funded by the Internet of Food Things project and the AI3SD project, is made up of experts from many different specialities including computer science, law and design.

- We used as research method a “design fiction” approach, where we created real objects representing a fictional future. Some of the things we’ve created include minutes from a board meeting that never took place, a clip from a documentary reporting on something that hasn’t happened, a website showcasing a non-existent allergy alert app, and smart packaging that simulates the shopping experience depicted earlier.
- We used a set of cards called the Moral-IT deck, which were developed to evaluate the ethics of technology. These cards supported the discussion of ethical issues for the objects created.



Relevant publications on IT, privacy and ethical implications.



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Towards Trustworthy AI-based Systems

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Problems with systems based on neural networks

Increasingly used in Cyber-Physical Systems, Security, Personal Assistants, and beyond.

- Good on ID data, but may perform poorly on OOD data.
- Fragile on ID data.
- Often strong confidence on incorrect classifications.
- Lack of explanations.

High-profile failures (Autonomous vehicles, ...)

Leading to insufficient trust in many applications.

Work at VAS@Imperial on Verification of Neural Systems

- Verification of NN-based Perception Systems (2018-present).
- Verification of (closed-loop) Neural-Symbolic Multi-Agent Systems (2018-present).

Increasingly conquering scalability from hundreds of parameters to millions of parameters.

Pilot usecases with aircraft manufacturer and car makers.

Verification increases reliability, thereby enhancing trustworthiness.

Planned follow up work (2022-onwards)

- Verification of **security systems** based on recurrent networks.
- Verification-based **explainability**: generation and validation of *robust* explanations for neural systems.
- Derivation of provably-safe **runtime monitors** for neural systems.

Overall objective: methods and tools to enhance trust in neural-based cyber-physical systems, security systems, and personal assistants/robotics.

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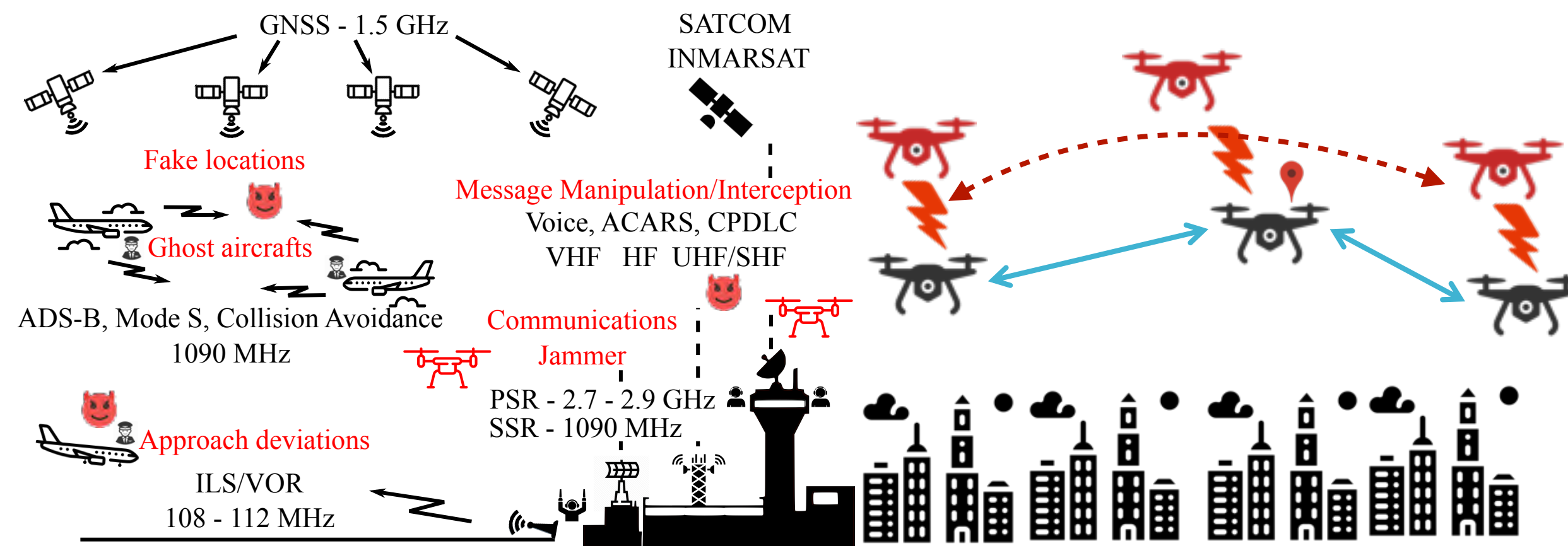
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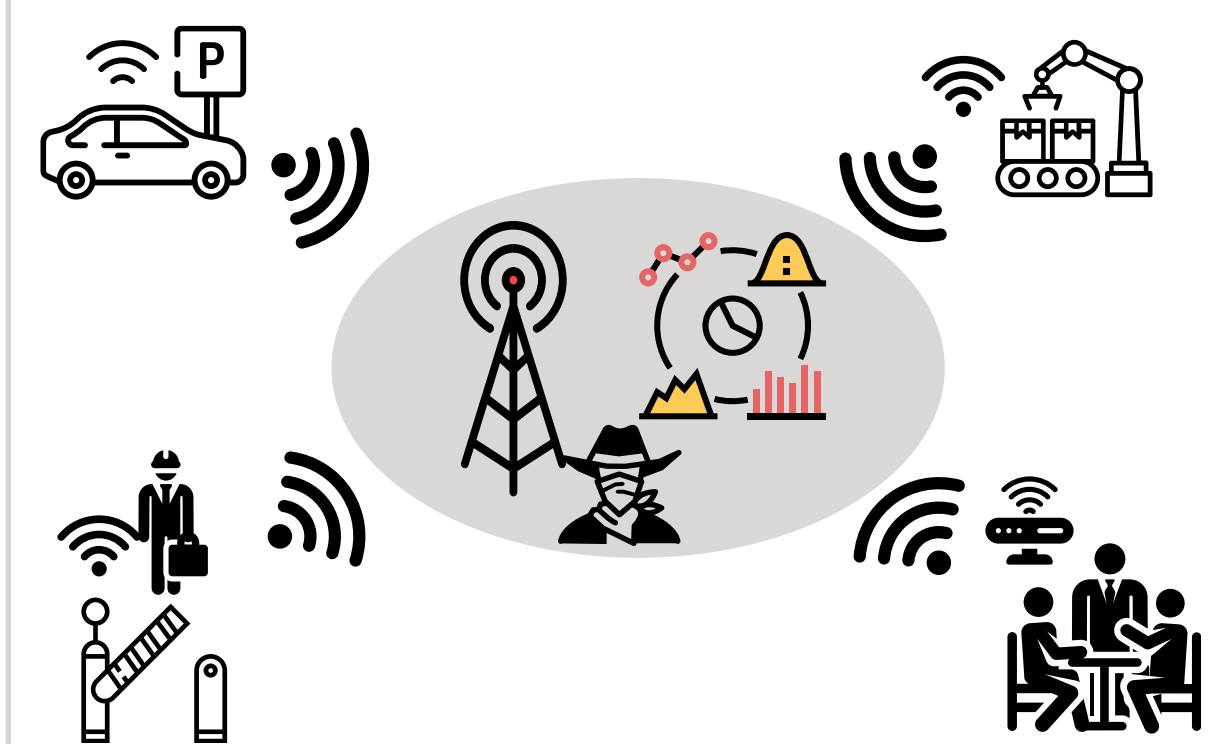
Security and privacy of wireless networks with a strong focus on *autonomous cyber-physical systems and smart ecosystems*.



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Securing the Skies



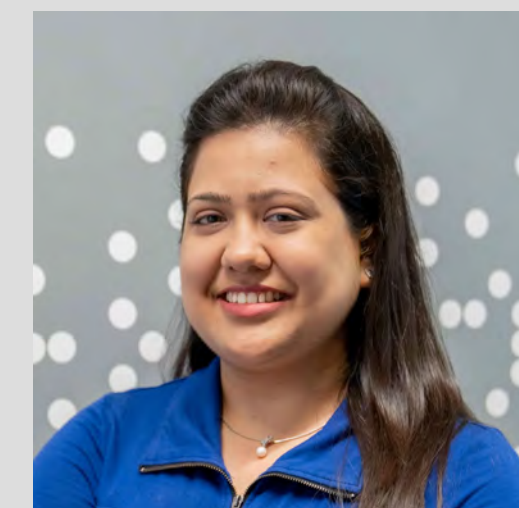
**Security and Privacy
of xIoT**

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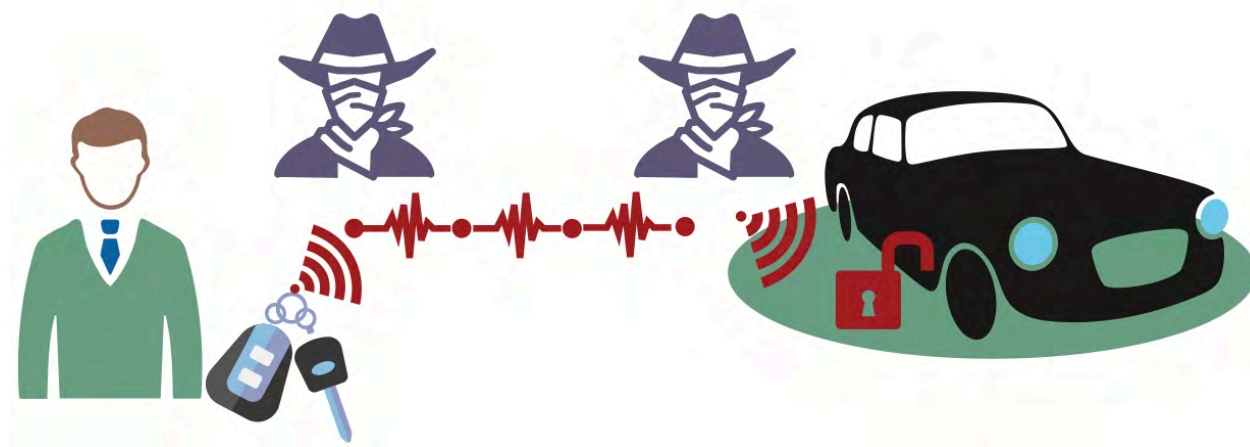
PhD Students



Secure Proximity and Location Verification

Physical location as a Digital Trust Factor

Attacks on Location



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Researchers commandeer £50m superyacht with GPS-spoofing



Selected Research

Are We Really Close? Verifying Proximity in Wireless Systems, Aanjhan Ranganathan, Srdjan Capkun

Here, There, and Everywhere: Security Analysis of WiFi 802.11mc Fine Timing Measurement, Domien Schepers, Mridula Singh, Aanjhan Ranganathan

VRange: Enabling Secure Ranging in 5G-NR Wireless Networks, Mridula Singh, Marc Roeschlin, Aanjhan Ranganathan, Srdjan Capkun

SemperFi: Anti-spoofing GPS receiver for UAVs, Harshad Sathaye, Gerald LaMountain, Pau Closas, Aanjhan Ranganathan

Security and Privacy in xIoT

Validating and Building Trustworthy Smart Ecosystems



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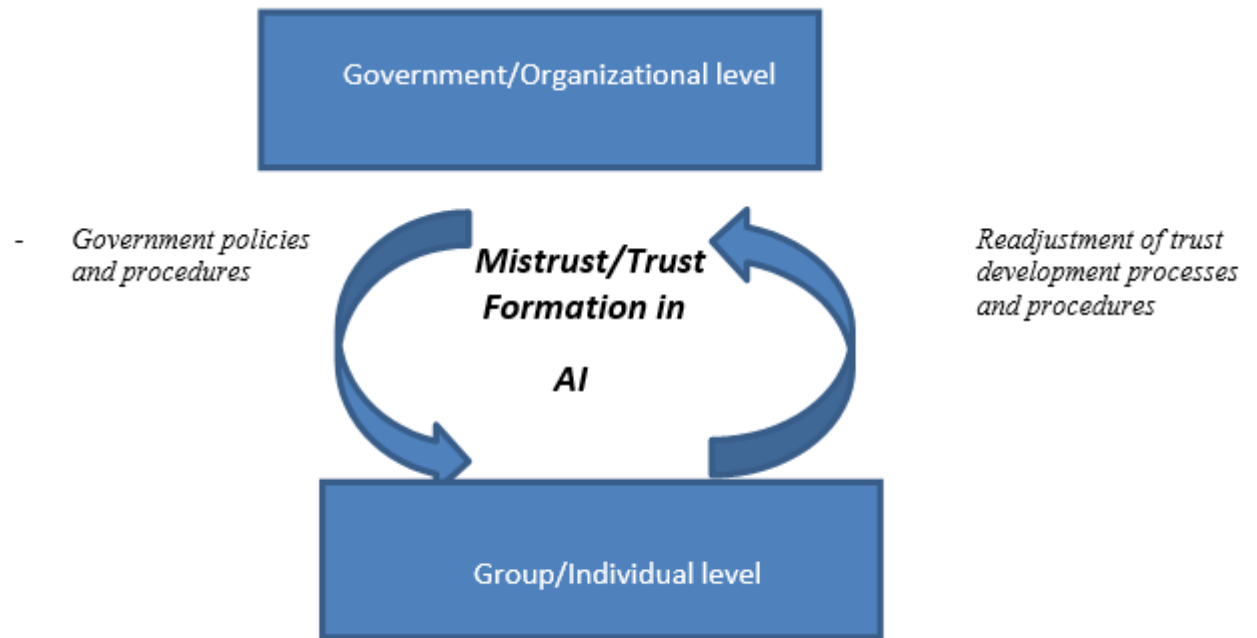
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Privacy-Preserving Positioning in Wi-Fi Fine Timing Measurements, Domien Schepers, Aanjhan Ranganathan

Niki Panteli – Expertise/Interests/Projects

- *Professor of Digital Business, School of Business & Management, RHUL*
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- **Interests:** Digital Innovation; Healthcare; Cybersecurity
- **Relevant Current/Recent Projects:**
 - Trust, Identity, Privacy & Security in the Work from Home Covid-19 context
 - Regulatory Aspects of Digital Security – Sociotechnical Perspective
 - AI and Trust: A multi-level perspective



Improving interpretations of trustworthiness

UNCS CoE presentation

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The subject of the proposed research

- A further elaboration of the trustworthy ecosystem (\mathcal{TE}) model, described in M. Sel [2], M. Sel [3] and M. Sel and C. Mitchell [4],
- The model and a sample implementation were proposed in my PhD thesis, M. Sel [5]
- The implementation of the sample rulebook was inspired by the European eIDAS Regulation (EU 910/2014)
- The model is based on four building blocks:
 - a data model, expressed in First Order Logic
 - a rulebook, containing constraints that reflect a particular context for reasoning about trustworthiness
 - trustworthiness evaluation functions
 - real-world instance data

The evaluator corresponds to a potential trustor, and the evaluation subject to a potential trustee.

Possible usage outlook

Functional Service Consumer (FuSC)

'Potential Trustor', that wants to evaluate the trustworthiness of a 'Potential Trustee'



- 1 Selection of potential trustee
- 2 Selection of rulebook R1 and of discretionary rules
- 3 Selection and/or creation of instance data
- 4 Invocation of $twseval_{AP}$ function

Outcome of evaluation of 'Potential Trustee LLP' under rulebook R1:

Rule 1 Yes ●
 Rule 2 No ●
 Rule 3 Yes ●
 Rule 4 Yes ●

Functional Service Provider (FuSP)

'Potential Trustee'

www.potentialtrustee.com

This entities participates in the T&E framework under rulebook R1 as 'Potential Trustee LLP'

Import transformation

Data sources,
 i.e. public information (in different formats)

Figure: 1 Possible future use

Research questions

Research questions include the following.

- How can we semantically define trustworthiness?
- How can we reason about trustworthiness?
- On what can reasoning to qualify an entity as trustworthy be based?
- How can we obtain information for use in supporting such reasoning about 'real world' entities?
- How can the above questions be addressed at a global scale?

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Operation of the model in a nutshell

Verifying whether the constraints are satisfied over a set of instance data allows an evaluator to evaluate the trustworthiness of an evaluation subject.

- Trustworthiness evaluation functions take as input a rulebook and a set of data
- A rulebook contains a mandatory and a discretionary part.
 - Mandatory part: constraints that must be satisfied to have the minimal basis for relevant execution of the discretionary rules
 - Discretionary part: allows to specify a trustworthiness evaluation policy
- Data represents real world information about the potential trustee and its context
- Outcome of the evaluation provides evidence for the evaluator to decide to interact with the evaluation subject in the relationship of trustor–trustee

Implementation architecture

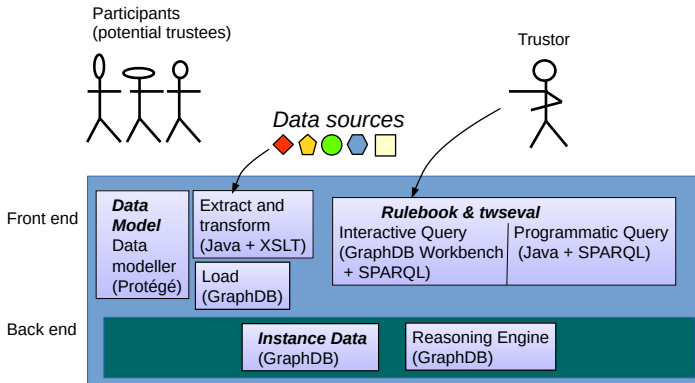


Figure: 2 Implementation architecture



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Mutual Declaration Mechanism of Multi-provider Relationship for Trusted Web Service

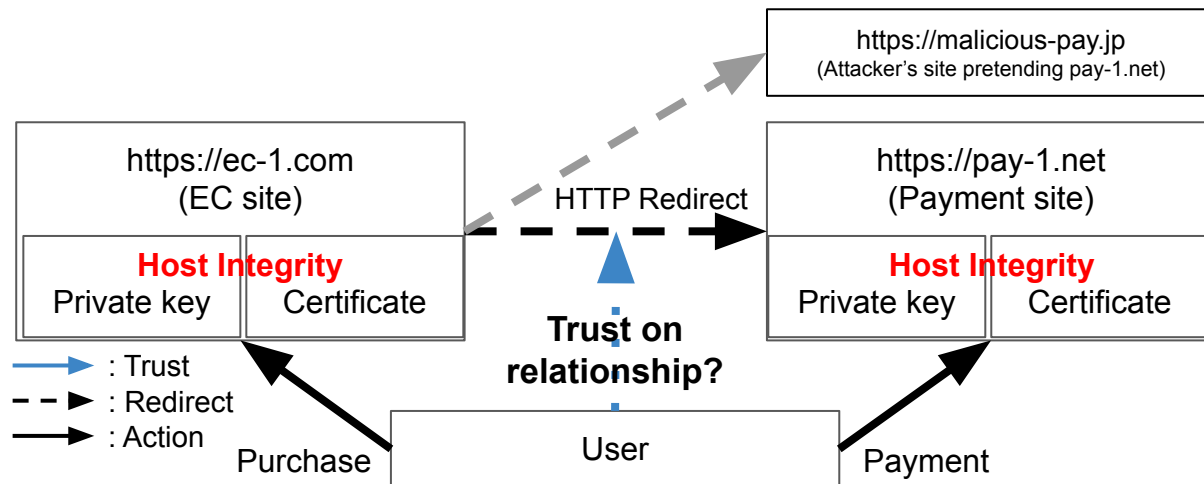
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Mutual Declaration Mechanism of Multi-provider Relationship for Trusted Web Service

- Web security model is based on host integrity assurance by TLS
- Web backend infrastructure is becoming more complex
 - rerouting traffic among several service providers (SPs)
- TLS cannot ensure integrity (relationship) between SPs



Current threats against rerouting

- Machine-in-the-Middle contents modification attacks
- DNS/ARP spoofing attacks
 - HTTPS → TLS downgrade attacks^{[1][2]}
- HSTS → HTTPS context confusion attacks^[3]
- Currently nothing can assure Digital Trust between
 - SPs in a relationship
 - Web services and the end users
- This proposal is to realize these Digital Trust

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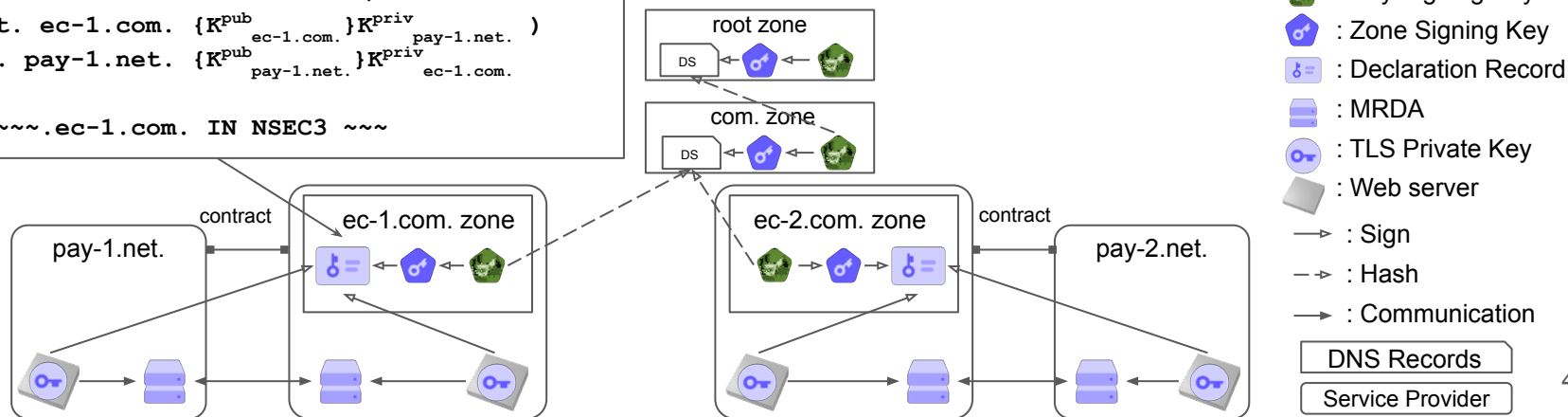
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Architecture of the solution

M2DMRT:

- Sign related SP's TLS public key by own TLS private key mutually
- Publish the signature in DNSSEC-protected SP's DNS zone
- End users can trust the relationship by verifying digital signature

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Trust in AI-enabled Workplace

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Motivation for the Research

- Use of AI to address the information overload and provide assistance or automation of tasks
- use machine learning and natural language processing techniques
- Influences of integrating such digital innovations into the workplace are important areas of inquiry
- Collaborative relationship between employees and chatbots

Research Question

How AI design could impact trust (enhance or reduce)?

Research Context

AI – enabled systems including:

- intelligent chatbots/ personal assistants*
- document analysis*
- Decision making*
- Monitoring and maintenance*

Theoretical Grounding

- Sociotechnical perspective
- how actors shape technology and being shaped by it.
- Generalized symmetry

Methodology

- Interpretive case study approach
- Qualitative data collection
 - semi-structured interviews
 - participant observations
 - document reviews
- Data Analysis: Qualitative, Inductive and interpretive approaches



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Risk perceptions Risk attitudes Rationality

- Cybersecurity professionals: Cognitive biases can have significant effects on decision-making
- Dark web communications: cyber crime related activities; sector- and country-specific analyses.

AI & human rationality

- Emotions, biases, heuristics and 'rational' decision-making

HIVE

(Hub for research into Intergenerational Exploitation to Vulnerability)

Higher Education Innovation Fund (HEIF)

Met Police, NCSC, UK Charities

Projects:

- Protecting adolescents and the from cyberbullying / cyberstalking
- Financial fraud and abuse targeted to the elderly

Cyber Security Culture

- Empirical study in UK Higher Education Institutes (NCSC)

Cultural differences

- User security behaviours across 12 countries

Human and societal aspects of digital trust



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Stage 1: Existing International Trust Frameworks Study

- Individual & group level review (e.g. per country, org, group, individual)
- Objective: Review of individual user acceptance based on levels of trust

Stage 2: Usage and Implementation of Trust Frameworks

Objective: identification of gaps and challenges

- Sector-specific study (cross-sector comparisons and maturity level)
- Objective: threat analysis;
- Approach: empirical (interviews) and/or secondary data;
- Justification: pandemic and environmental crisis

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Stage 3: Identified opportunities & solutions for Trust Frameworks

- Individual-level acceptance
- Objectives: measuring acceptance between countries
- Approach: Empirical study or secondary data
- Possible empirical approach: Student collaboration / joint project across INCS-CoE countries, focused on specific technologies

Thank you!