



**ALLSEEN  
ALLIANCE**

**An Open Source project  
building the framework  
for the Internet of Things  
(IoT)**

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The AllSeen Alliance is a Collaborative Project at The Linux Foundation that enables the widespread adoption of billions of products working together in an interoperable “Internet of Everything” through the open AllJoyn framework, a thriving technical community and a vibrant ecosystem.

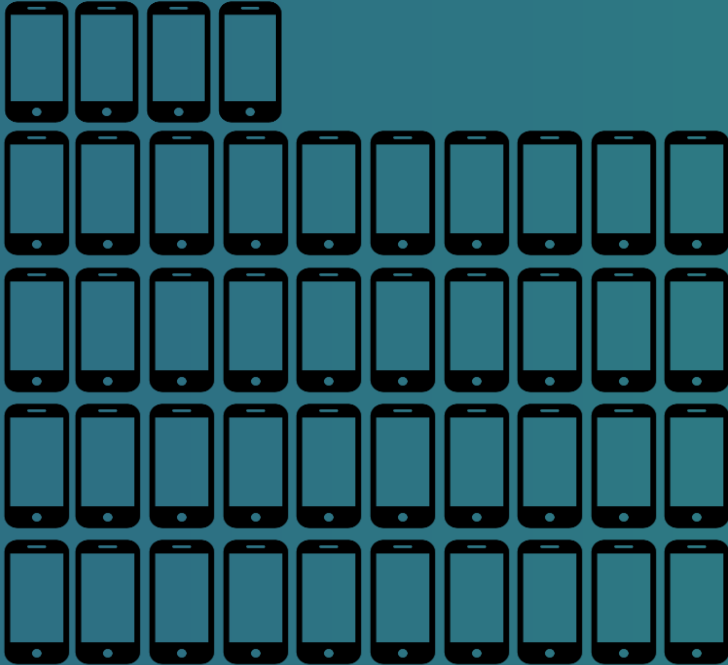
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# Mobile – The largest technology platform

~3.7 billion unique subscribers

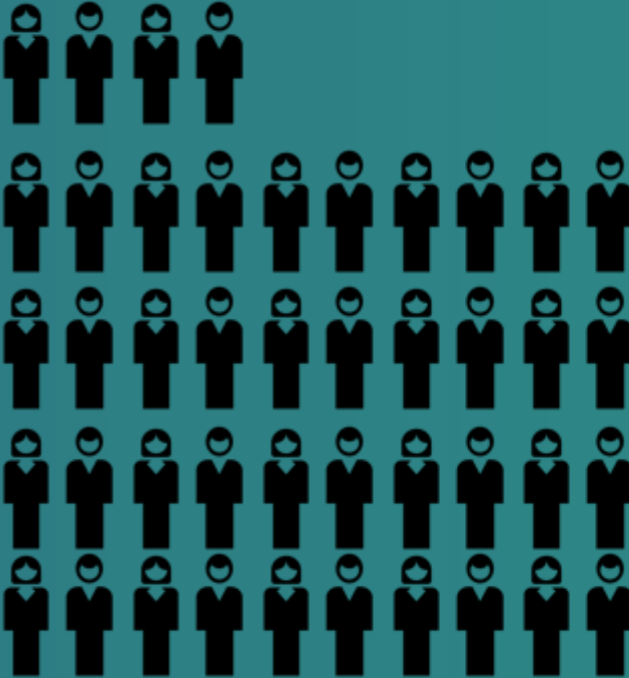
7.4 B

connections



7.2 B

people



# Mobile is about to be dwarfed by the Internet of Everything...

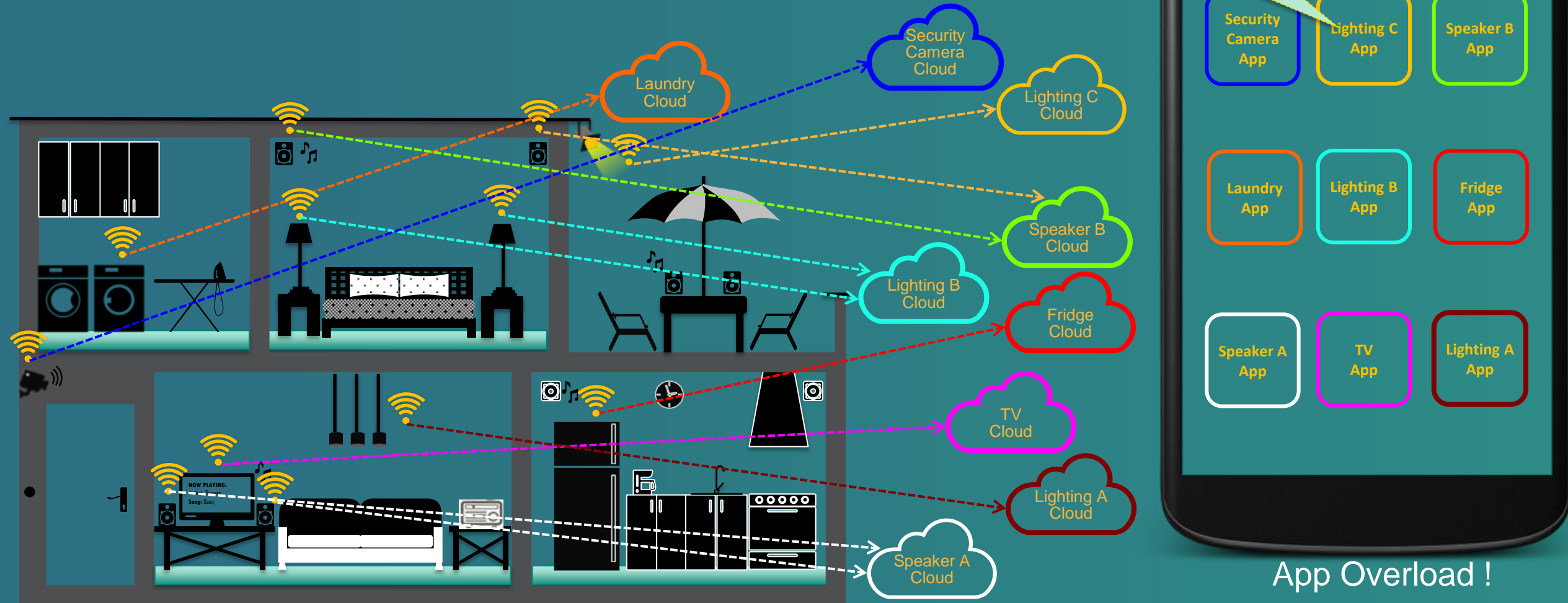
A massive surge in connected things has already begun



- By 2020, 40.9 billion things will be connected\*
  - Via Wi-Fi, wire line, cellular, and proximal networks
  - Benefiting billions of people worldwide
  - 75% of the growth between today and the end of the decade will come from non-hub devices
- IoT is Transforming:
  - Industry
  - Infrastructure
  - Media
  - Education
  - Work
  - Recreation
  - Family
  - Daily life

# The Problem with the Internet of Things Today

- A different app for every device.
- Integration is difficult.
- Devices can't interact locally.
- Cloud connections abound.
- Rich scenarios can't easily be build.

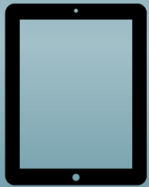


App Overload !

# Ubiquitous connectivity promises to make devices “smart”

But ONLY if they speak the same language

hello world!



Computing devices

당신은 내 말 들려?



Consumer goods and appliances

Tem alguém aí?



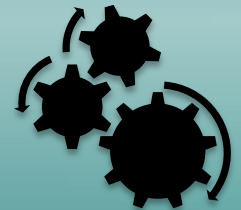
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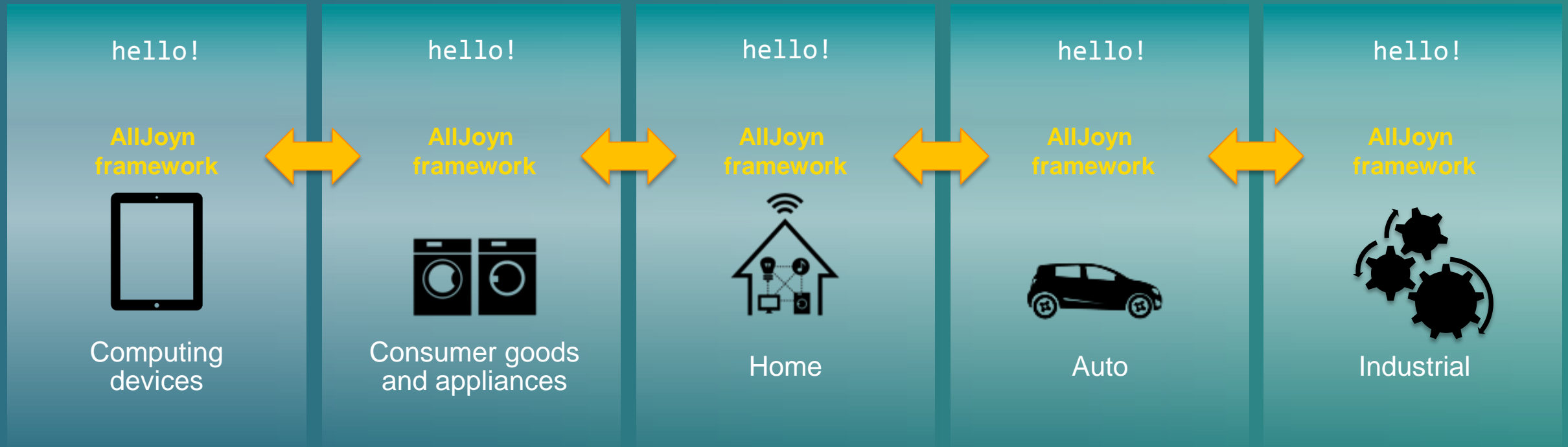


Industrial

Devices that can't connect across brands, categories, and operating systems will be left out

# AllJoyn framework lets smart things work together

Connect, manage and interoperate across brands, categories, bearers, transports and OS



# Exposing smartphone APIs enabled new experiences that no one had ever thought of before



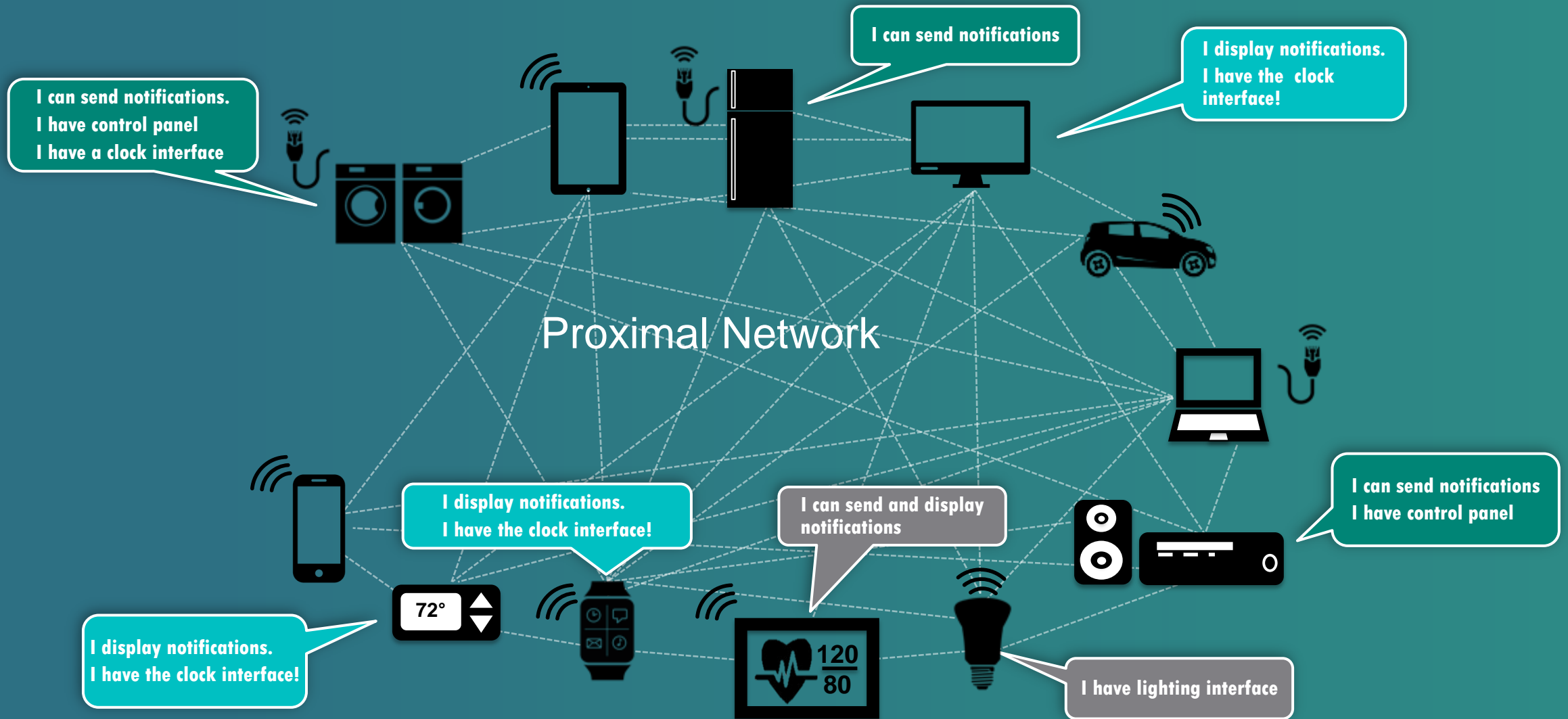


# The AllJoyn framework exposes the capabilities of connected devices in the much the same way.

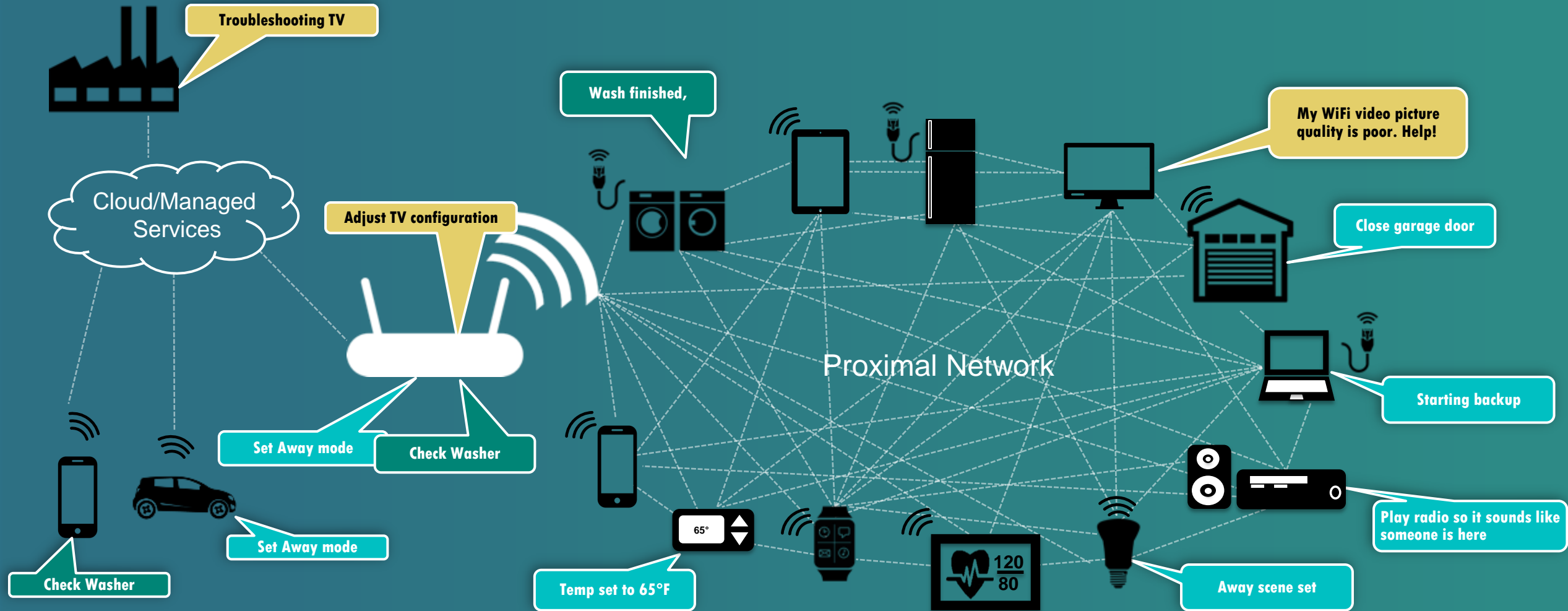
A single protocol allowing products and apps to expose their capabilities and interact with other devices and apps.



# AllJoyn enabled devices describe their capabilities via service interfaces on a virtual bus.

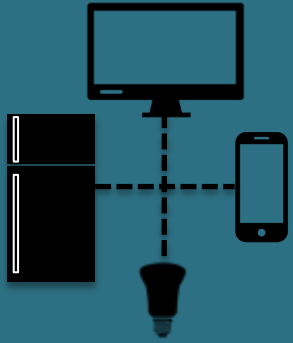


# AllJoyn Gateway Agent provides remote access, management and privacy controls for all AllJoyn enabled devices and apps

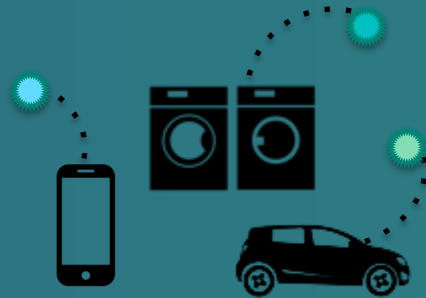


Remote AllJoyn Apps

# The problems that AllJoyn solves... in an open interoperable way



**DISCOVER**  
nearby devices



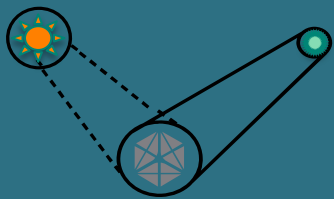
**IDENTIFY**  
services running  
on those devices



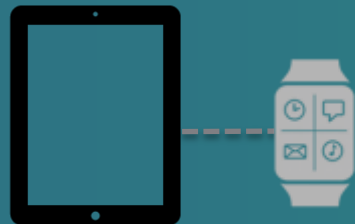
**CONTROL**  
devices near and far



**MANAGE**  
remote and local



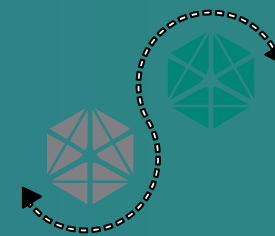
**INTEROPERATE**  
across OS, device  
& manufacturer



**ADAPT**  
to devices coming  
and going



**SPAN**  
diverse  
transports

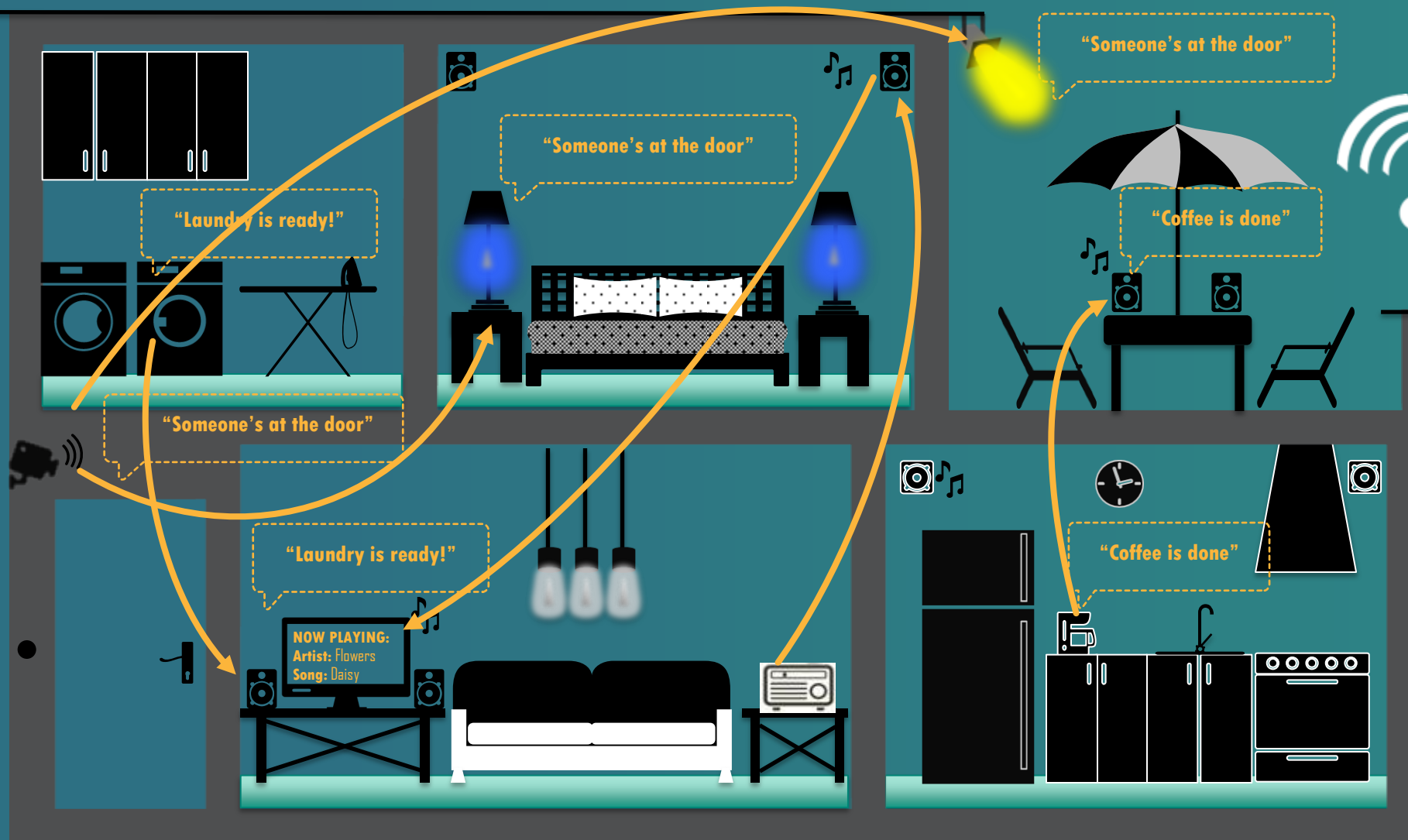


**EXCHANGE**  
information



**SECURE**  
against bad  
actors

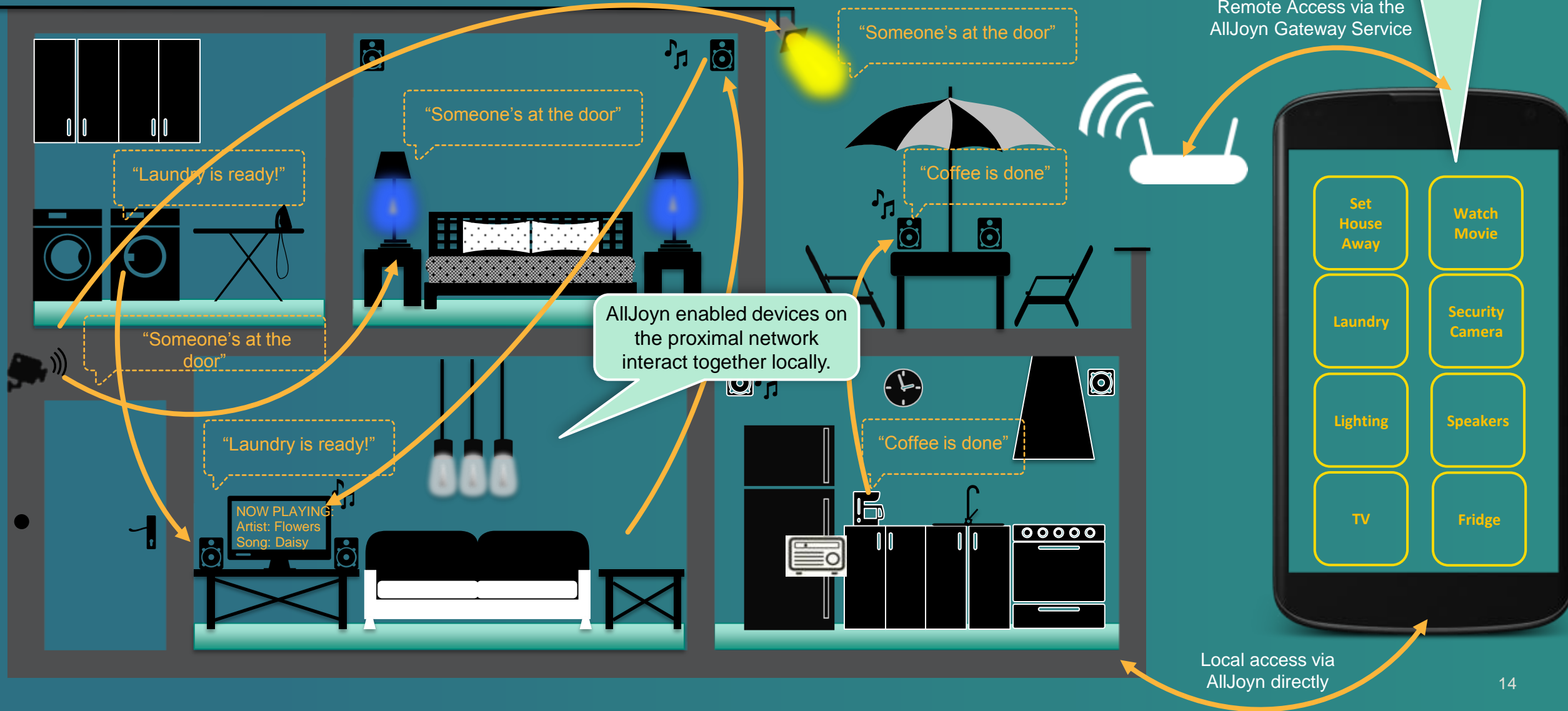
# Why the AllJoyn proximal network topology matters



- Direct communication via the AllJoyn framework is fast, efficient, and secure.
- No need to go out to the cloud to talk to the device right next to you!
- The AllJoyn Gateway Service delivers secure, unified remote access, manageability and privacy.

# The AllJoyn enabled use case

Rich App Ecosystem with a choice of apps that integrating many AllJoyn enabled devices into a unified experience.



# Why The Internet of Things Has To Be Open Sourced



“Companies will win over Internet of Things not in the boardroom, but on the command line. The consortium that gets excellent code to market first, with a community that provides great documentation and an inviting atmosphere, will win. So far, only AllSeen has done that, with code available for download today.”

Matt Asay VP Mobile at Adobe, via [readwrite.com](http://readwrite.com)

# What is the AllSeen Alliance?

- A nonprofit **consortium** dedicated to enabling the widespread adoption of products, systems and services that support the Internet of Things through an open environment, vibrant ecosystem and thriving technical community.
- A **community** enabling hardware manufacturers and software developers to create interoperable products that can discover, connect and communicate directly with other devices, systems and services regardless of brand.
- The host and developer of the collaborative AllJoyn **open source project**, an industry-supported software and service framework.



# Why Build an Alliance?

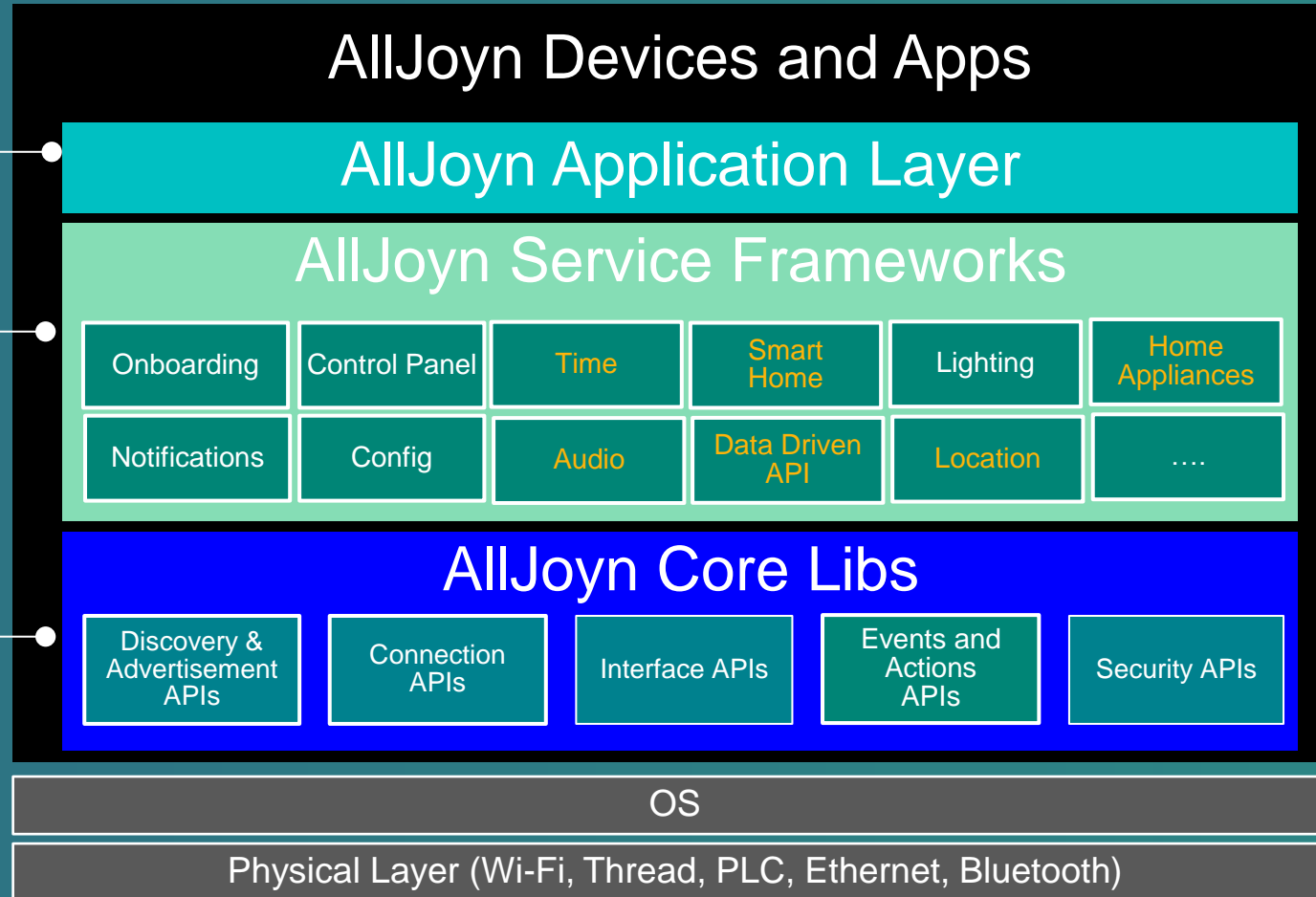
- The Internet of Things is emerging
  - Things are getting smarter
  - Everything is getting connected
  - Wireless or wired, over a variety of protocols and bearers
- Still needed: A shared framework and common language for communication
  - Smart things need to be able to recognize, communicate, and interact with each other
  - Regardless of manufacturer, type of device, OS or embedded software, connectivity type, or compute resources available
- The Alliance's codebase is here and in real products today
  - Open source communication platform for the Internet of Things
  - Core System Services for any device/OS/HW/OEM
    - Onboarding, Notifications, Control Panel, Configuration, Audio, Lighting
  - Showcase applications speed development and customization
  - Creates new and exciting experiences with our environment and the things we use every day



# Architecture

# AllJoyn Software Framework: High-level architecture

A comprehensive software framework lets devices and applications communicate



## AllJoyn App Layer

- Defines the User experience

## AllJoyn Service Frameworks

- Interoperable, cross-platform modules for common IoT functionality
- Defines common interfaces between devices

## AllJoyn Core Libs

- Provides ability to find and connect to devices to do interesting things.
- Core libraries interact with the AllJoyn Router
- Provides access control and encryption

### AllJoyn Gateway

- Remote access
- Remote management
- Privacy controls

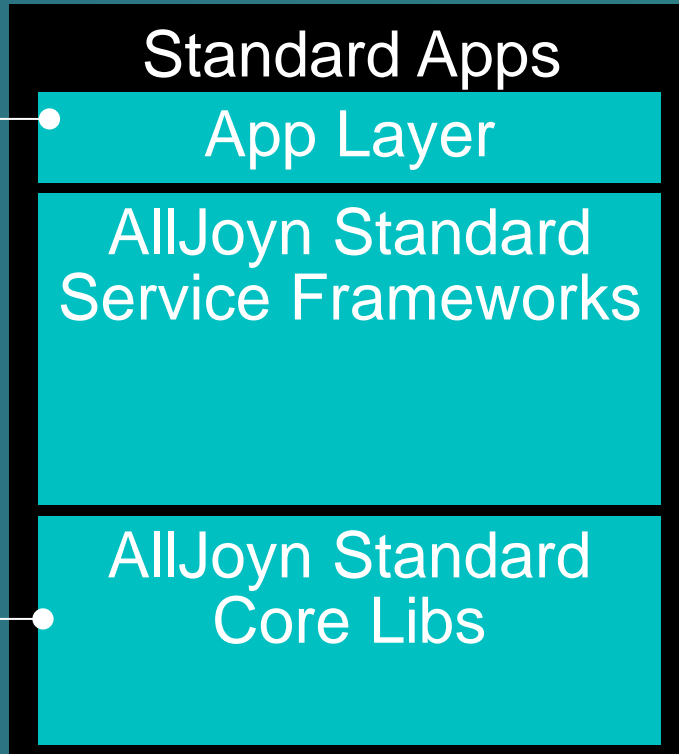
### AllJoyn Router

- Manages communications between devices and apps
- Dynamic network management

# Two Versions of the AllJoyn Framework To Choose

## Standard App Layer

- App dev or OEM writes this



## Standard Core Libraries

- Multiple bindings, runs on HLOS



## AllJoyn Router

- AllJoyn Router can be bundled with a Standard App or run standalone

## Thin Apps

### App Layer

### AllJoyn Thin Service Frameworks

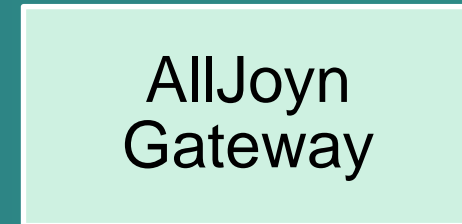
### AllJoyn Thin Core Libs

## Thin App Layer

- App Dev or OEM writes this

## Thin Core Libraries

- C bindings, runs on RTOS
- Thin Apps using Thin Core requires an AllJoyn Router in the network



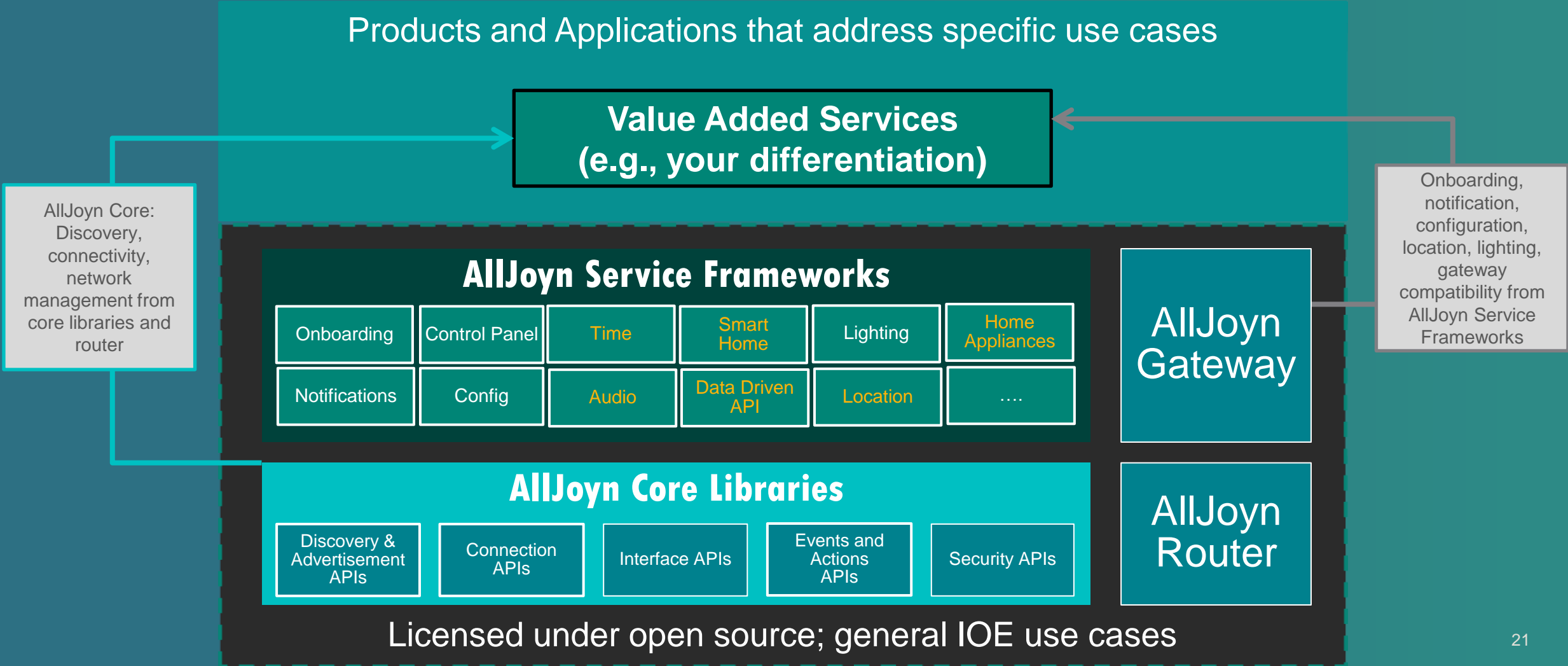
## AllJoyn Gateway

- Standalone or bundled



# Open source building blocks for value added services

Use AllJoyn Core Library and Service Frameworks to create differentiated offerings



# AllJoyn Mesh of Stars

## Spans Network Transports

### Bridges

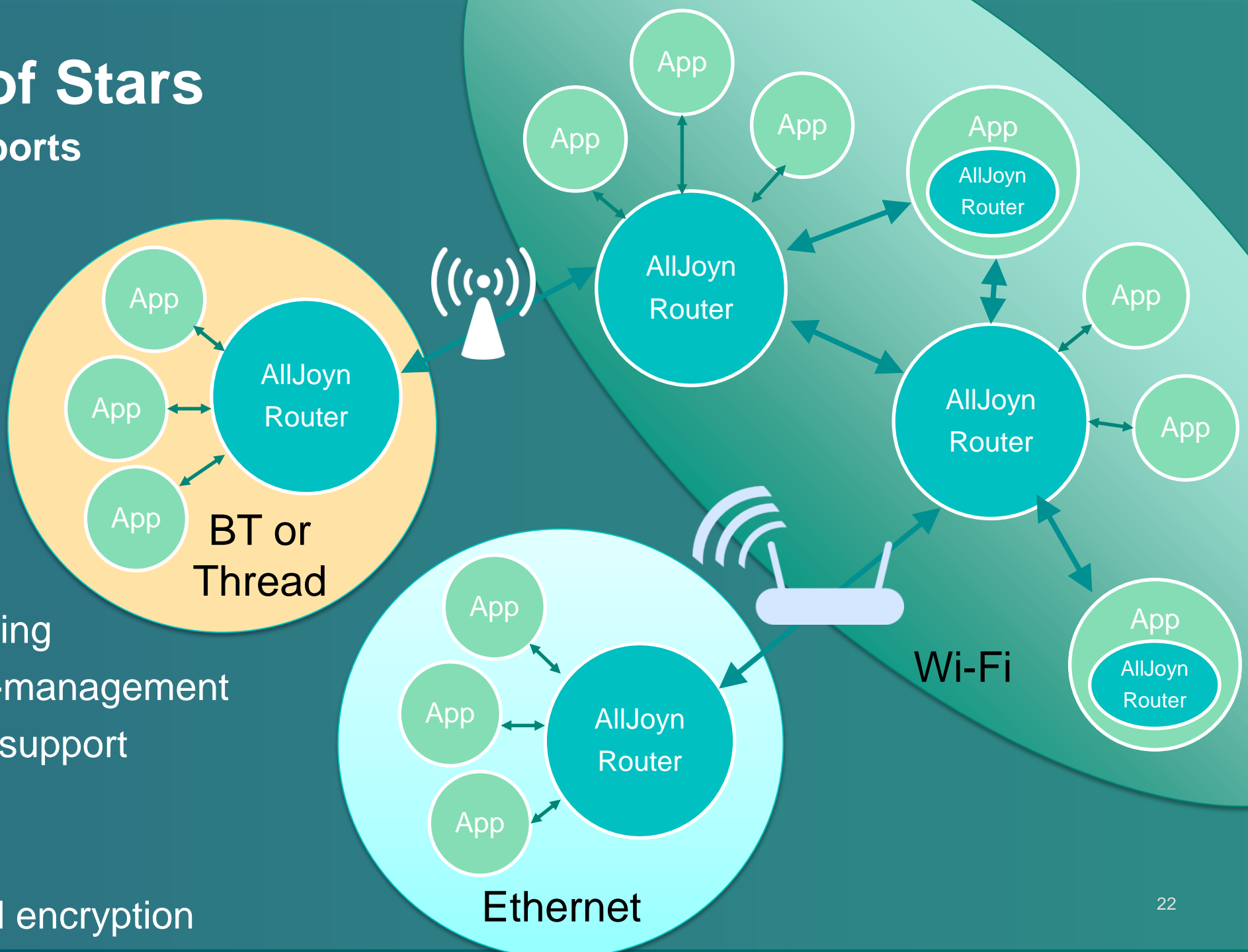
- Interconnect transports

### Router nodes

- Discovery/advertising
- Presence/session-management
- Publish/subscribe support

### Leaf nodes

- Application code
- Authentication and encryption





**Find out More**

# For More Information



- Alliance Wiki: <https://wiki.allseenalliance.org>
  - Documents, downloads, and developer tools
  - Source Code, release overviews, roadmaps
  - Training & Service Framework details
  - Working Groups, New Proposals & meeting minutes
- Forums: <https://ask.allseenalliance.org/questions>
- Certification: <https://allseenalliance.org/certification>
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# Marketing/PR

- AllSeen Alliance Blog <https://allseenalliance.org/news-and-events/blogs>
  - blog from members to showcase member diversity and thought leadership in the community.
- Monthly newsletter <https://allseenalliance.org/news-and-events/newsletters>
  - continue to showcase the success of the Alliance
- PR / Speakerships
  - to assert thought leadership to demonstrate the pervasiveness and relative maturity of AllSeen to alternative efforts.
- Social media



# The AllSeen Alliance is creating the Internet of Everything... *Will You Participate?*

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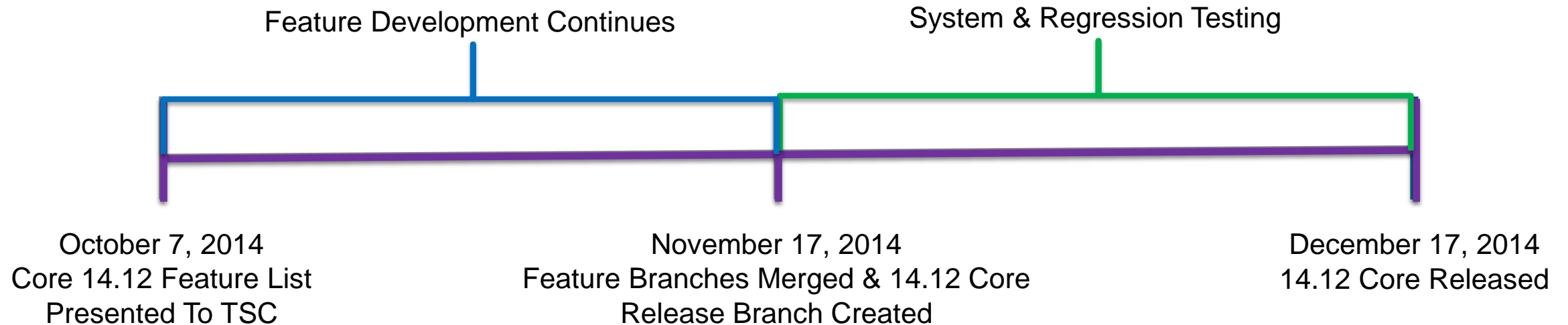
# Release Roadmap

# Software Releases (core + base services)

- Three releases in 2014: 14.02, 14.06 and 14.12. 2 Releases in 2015: 15.04 and 15.10
- 6 month release cadence for “core” and Base Services
  - More time for feature development and testing between releases
  - Give working groups flexibility about when to release code based on a specific core release
- Release 14.02
  - First AllSeen Alliance release – mostly stability and bug fixes
- Release 14.06
  - Added ECC-based authentication algorithms
  - Migration to MDNS for discovery
  - Events and Actions support
- Release 14.12
  - First major collaboration on core
- Release 15.04
  - Extending the security model

# Core release 14.12

- Collaborative effort between QCE, Technicolor, Microsoft and others...
  - First major collaboration on AllJoyn core!
- Features include
  - UDP transport for router-node to router-node communication
  - Improved support and optimizations for publish/subscribe use cases





# How Can You Participate?

It isn't just code contributions!

# Working Group Participation

- Working Group calls are open and usually recorded
  - Download recording and presentations
  - Catch up on the technical discussion
  - Great good way to learn where you might be able to contribute
- Project maintainers welcome technical input
  - Quality and completeness of interface definitions
  - Consistency of APIs
  - Feedback is most useful before coding begins

# Working Groups

- Analytics and Telemetry
- Base Services
- Compliance and Certification (C&C)
- Connected Lighting
- Core Working Group
- Data-Driven API
- Developer Tools
- Gateway Agent
- Smart Home
- Location Based Services

Seven of these are working groups that formed since the Alliance started!



# Many Ways To Participate and Collaborate

- Contribute code to existing projects
- Critical code review
- Propose new projects around a center of interest, expertise, or need
- Testing, testing, testing
- Build automation and documentation
- Listen in and provide feedback in Working Group Meetings
- Sponsor and participate in hackathons

# Contribute to existing projects

- Sample programs
  - Developers always appreciate well document sample code
  - A way to contribute without fear of breaking anything
- Test code
  - Test coverage is always a challenge – more tests → better quality releases
  - Stress tests
- Implement new language bindings for core and service APIs
  - Python
  - Go
  - Ruby
  - Swift

# Code review

- Critical review for security vulnerabilities
  - Buffer overflow
  - Unsafe access and uninitialized values
  - Use of dangerous constructs.
- Best practices
  - Clean understandable API design
  - Well structured modular code
  - Code comments and other documentation
- Performance, stability, scalability
  - Thread-safeness
  - Algorithms

File Jira tickets!

# Some Ideas for Project Proposals

- Automotive
  - Green field opportunity for member companies to show leadership
- Services for describing and discovering indoor location
  - Maybe a manageable project for a smaller team
- Home Appliance Services
  - Generic functionality that crosses device categories
  - Functionality for specific appliance categories
- Energy management
  - Mapping existing protocols e.g. SEP2.0 into AllJoyn
- Integrate new transports into core
  - Thread, Zigbee, Z-Wave, etc.

# Testing

- Test resources are always in short supply
- The more testing better quality the release
  - Download build test master and feature branches
  - If you want to know where the need is ask the project maintainers
- If you find issues file Jira tickets
  - A bug not found will be a bug not fixed

# Build Automation and Documentation

- We need people with experience with build automation
  - Jenkins Automated build system
  - Jira Bug and issue tracking
  - GIT Source code control
  - Gerrit Code review and process automation

[allseen-infrastructure@lists.allseenalliance.org](mailto:allseen-infrastructure@lists.allseenalliance.org).
- And documentation:
  - Keeping technical documentation up to date
  - Help with organization of the Wiki

[allseen-tech-documentation-website@lists.allseenalliance.org](mailto:allseen-tech-documentation-website@lists.allseenalliance.org)



# Collaboration Highlights

# Lighting Service Framework

- Collaborative development effort between LIFX and QCE
- Release 1.0 on November 15<sup>th</sup> 2014
- Release included:
  - Lamp Service
  - Lighting Controller Service
  - Sample Applications for Android and iOS



# Gateway Agent

- Collaborative development effort between Affinegy and QCE
- First release based on 14.06 core scheduled for December 2014
- Release includes:
  - Gateway Management App
  - TR-069 client
  - XMPP connector plug-in
  - Package manager
  - Control application (Android)
  - Reference implementation for OpenWRT

# Security 2.0

- Four-way collaborative effort between Microsoft, QCE, Technicolor, and Symantec
- Provides fine-grained control of operations devices are permitted to perform
  - End-to-end encryption
  - Permission rules used ECC and signed manifests allow/deny access
- Architecture finalized and high-level design completed October 2014
  - Coding underway and contributions being submitted
- Security Manager
  - Service to provide support for key management and permission rule

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