

# Let's Build Indie IoT Systems For Our Homes Instead

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"Google ... told home audio vendors ...
they won't be allowed to add any other ...
assistants than Google's ...
if they want to ... use Google Cast"

# What if Ikea said: "No other furniture allowed."

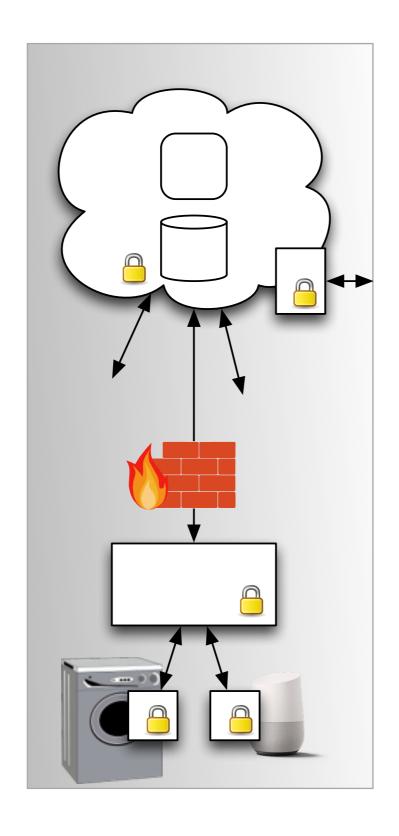


### Your house in 2026



- + How many connected devices?
- Which will interoperate?
- Who controls them?

# Anatomy of an IoT cloud silo



Vendor cloud with app, data, API

Gateway

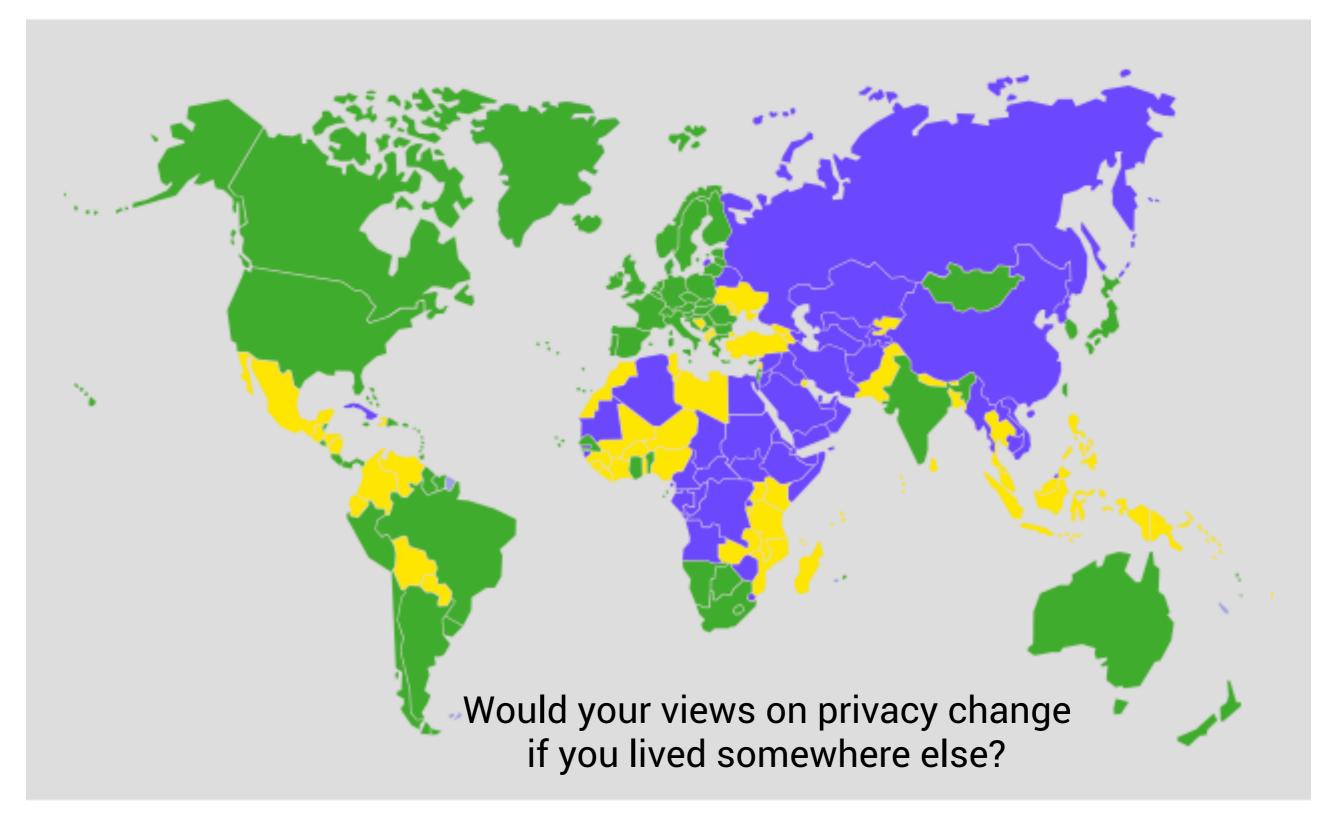
Sensor(s), actuator(s)

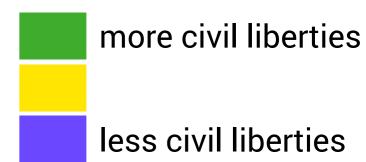
# loT Silo pros & cons

For vendor	For customer
Hosting & bandwidth costs -	Access over public internet +
Easy application updates +	Simple + Cannot disagree –
No money in devices ++	I'm overpaying – –
Can monetize my customer's data ++	I'm being spied on – –
I have a veto over who gets to connect to customer +	Need vendor permission to innovate and integrate – –
I can lock-in customer because I have their data ++	I'm being held hostage – –

### Second-order effects

- Locks out startups and innovation.
- Your house will stop working when vendor goes out of business or changes strategy.
- Nobody can tell whether your device has been hacked.
- Governments can demand real-time access to your home without you knowing.





Customer is king.



Big vendor is the overlord.

Customer is the subject.

Small vendor is roadkill.

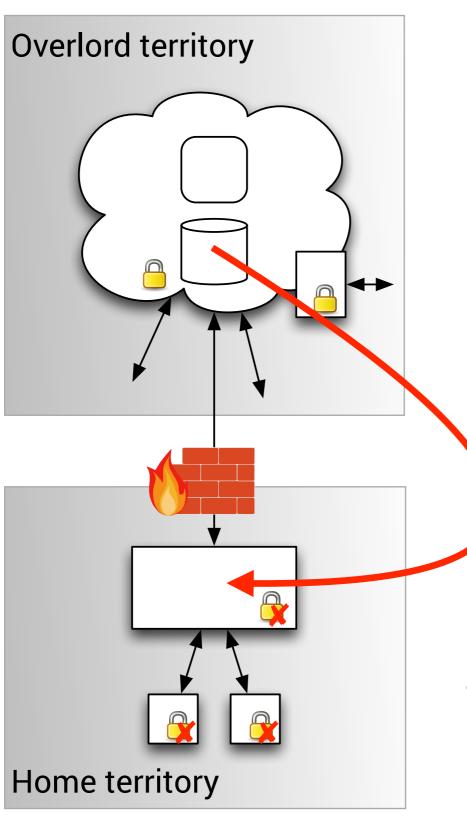
# Aspects of control

Control over **terms of use** and **access** 

Control over code

Control over data

# Fixing the overlord architecture



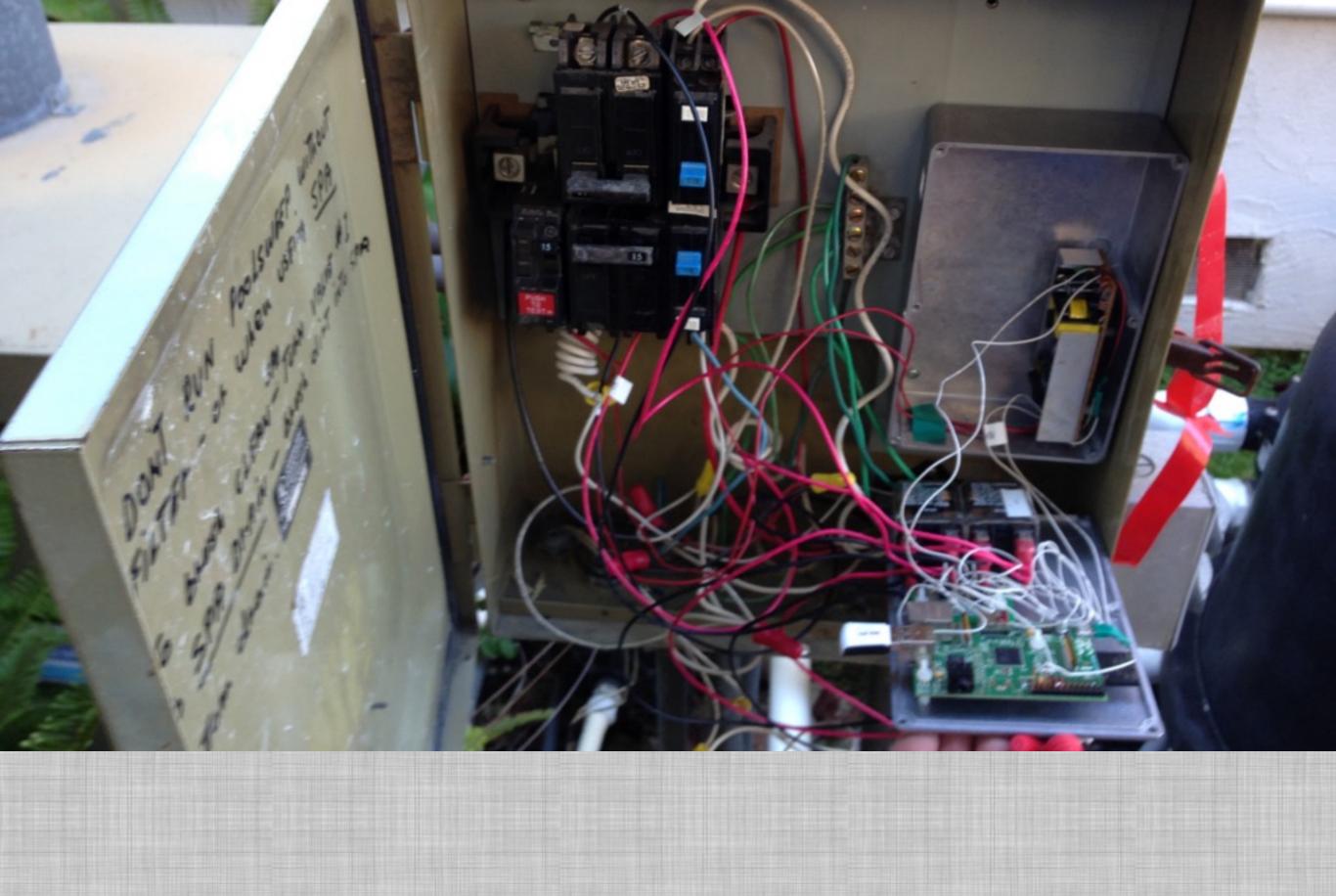
→ Indie IoT architecture

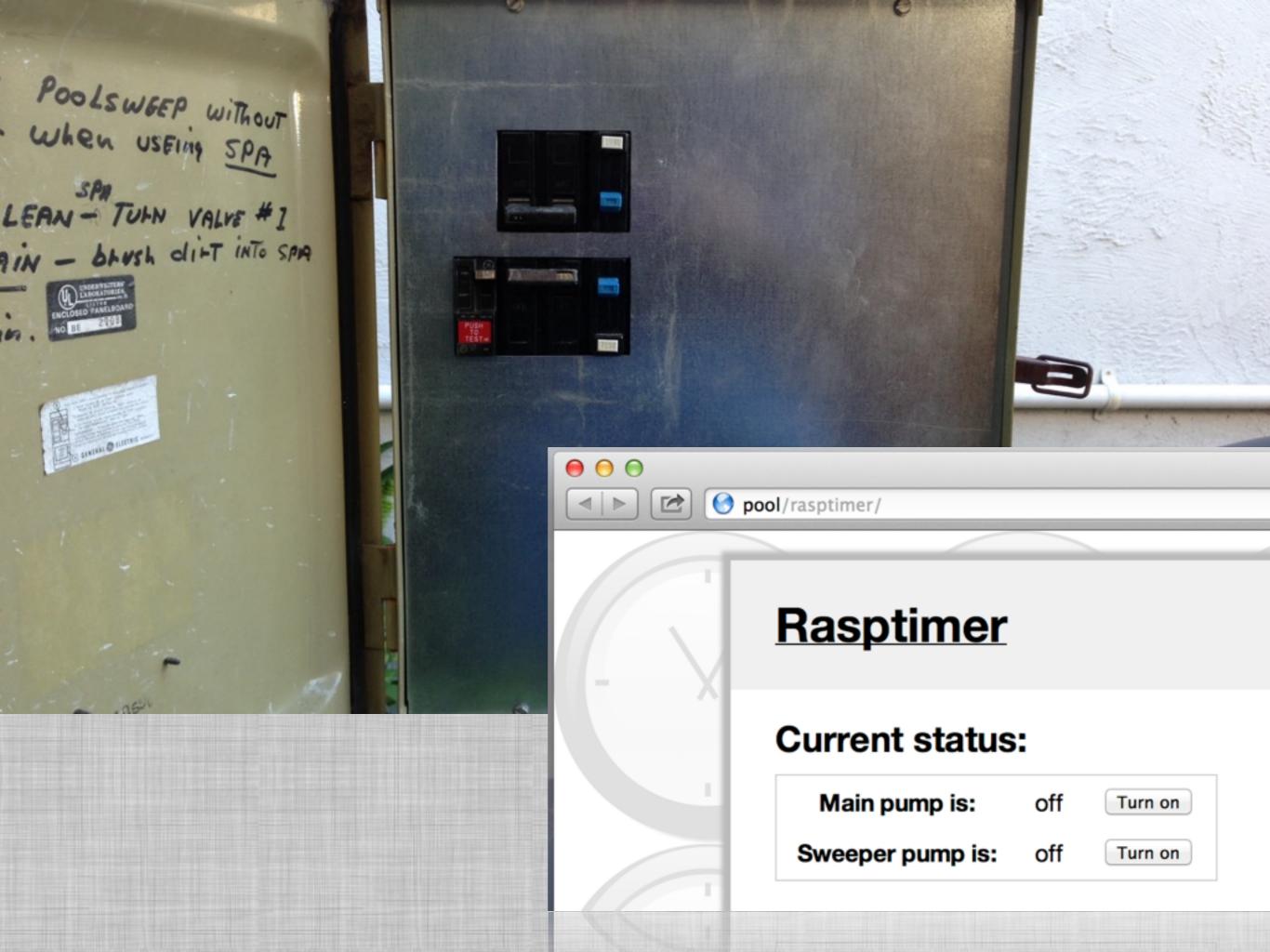
2. Let the customer choose where their data is stored

1. Unlock the customer's devices



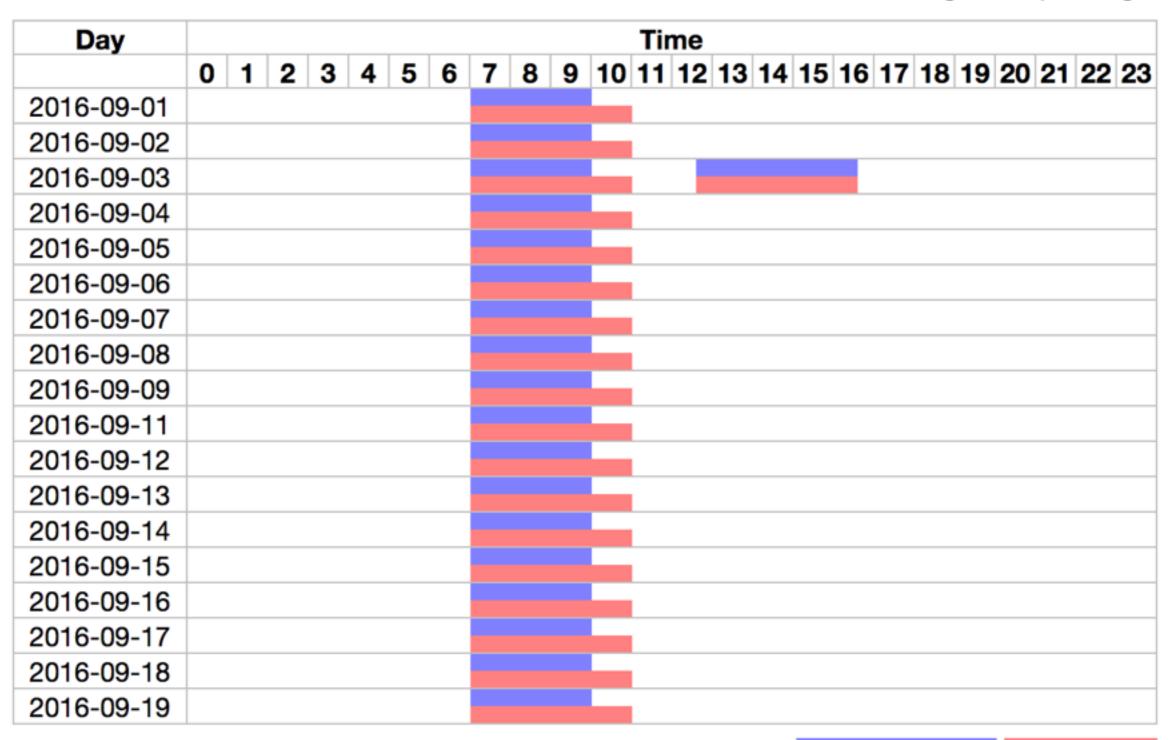






#### Rasptimer - Logs

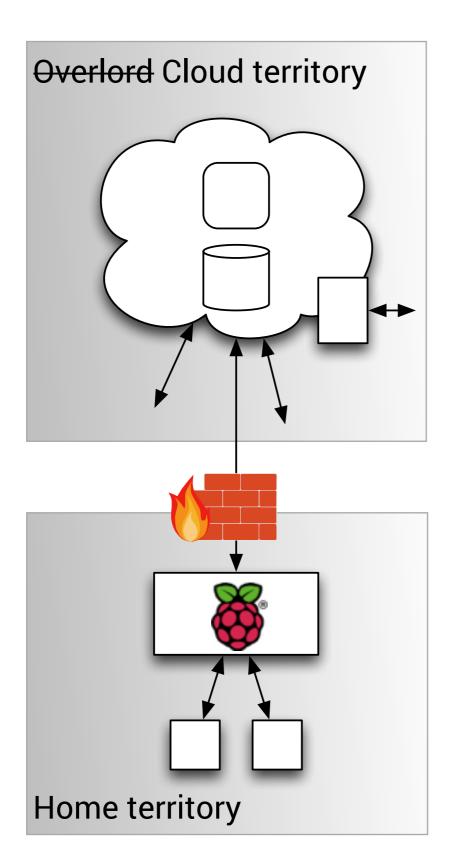
Front Logs Graphic logs



Legend: Sweeper pump

Main pump

## **Indie IoT Pool Controller**



Choice of clouds (Cloud optional)

Open-source Rasptimer app



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#### **UBOS**

- Linux for devices
- that run web apps

#### **Management services**

- Install / upgrades
- Backup / restore, DNS

#### Software development

IoT & self-hosted web apps

#### **Technology advisory**

IoT, Personal Clouds, NoSQL

# Let's build the kinds of products that we'd like to be buyers of.

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