



# Android e mobile security (for developers)

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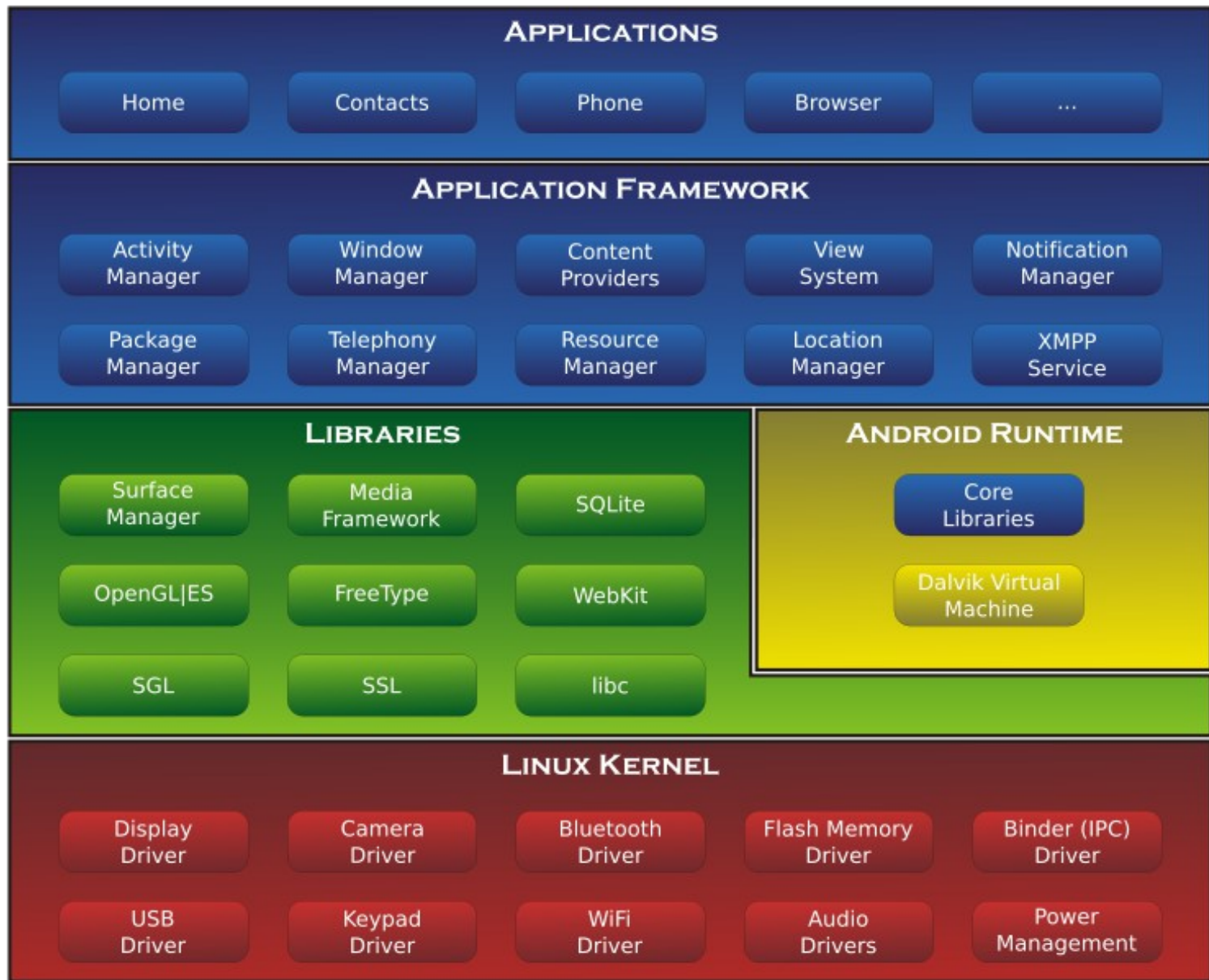
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- **Architetture: ARM, (MIPS, x86, ..)**
- **Kernel**
  - **Kernel Linux 2.6.x (Android 1, 2 e 3.x)**
  - **Kernel Linux 3.0.x (Android 4.x)**
  - **componenti e driver standard**
  - **FS, processi, permessi, processi**
  - **vulnerabilità standard ;)**
- **Componenti custom**
  - **binder, ashmem, pmem, logger, wavelocks, OOM, alarm timers, paranoid network security, gpio, ..**
  - **android e vendor custom hw driver**
  - **nuove vulnerabilità da scoprire ;)**

- **Sandbox (OS level)**
  - sandboxing con uid/gid linux + patch kernel (protected API)
  - 1 processo = 1 applicazione = 1 VM (+ componenti OS)
  - protected API per accesso all'hw: camera, gps, bluetooth, telefonia, SMS/MMS, connessioni di rete)
  - **root = root (full access)**
- **Librerie**
  - bionic libc (!= gnu libc, !posix)
  - udev, WebKit, OpenGL, SQLite, crypto, .. (**& bugs**)
- **Dalvik VM (!= JVM)**
  - Java Code -> dex bytecode
  - custom Java libraries
  - **può lanciare codice nativo (syscall, ioctls, .. ) -> kernel**

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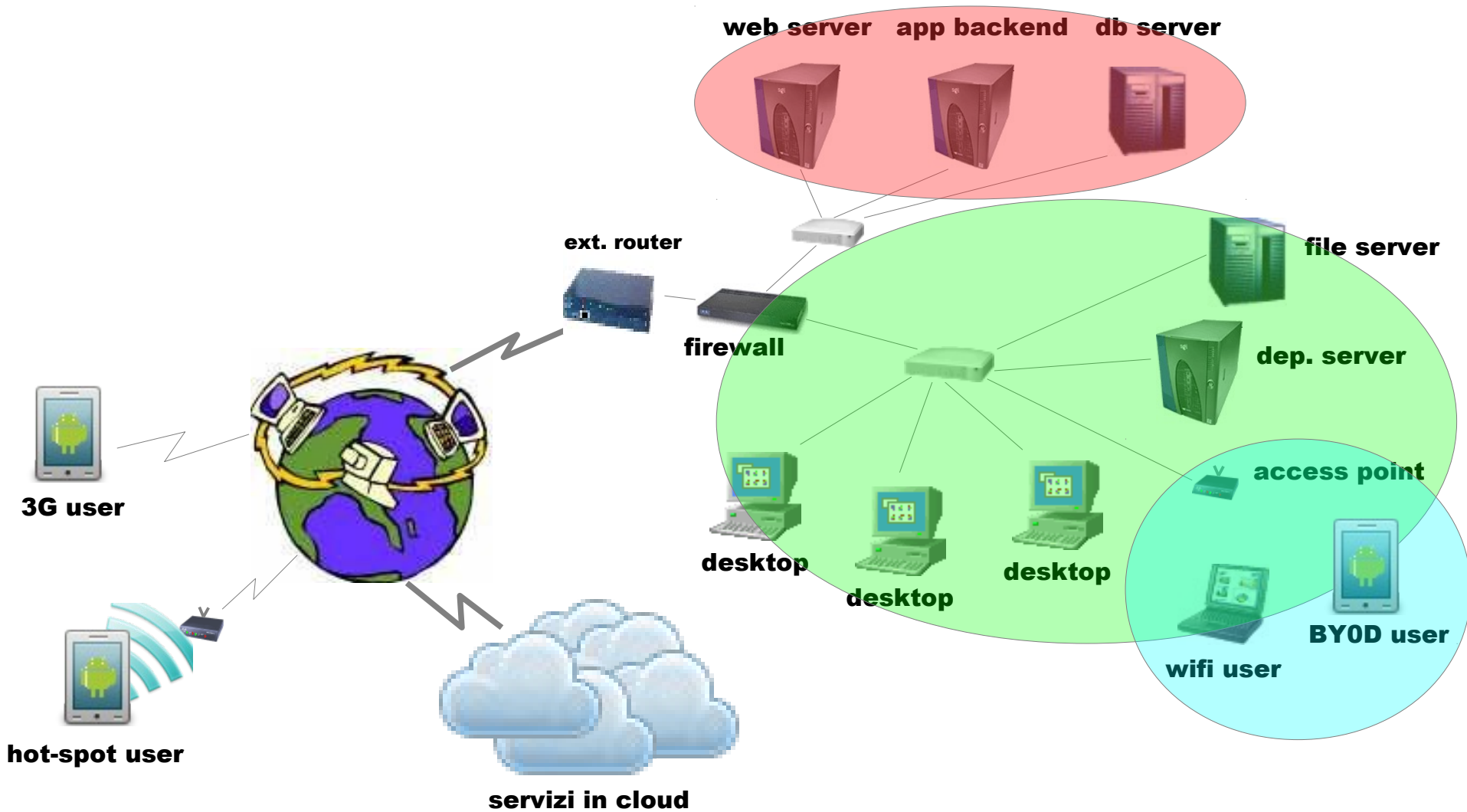
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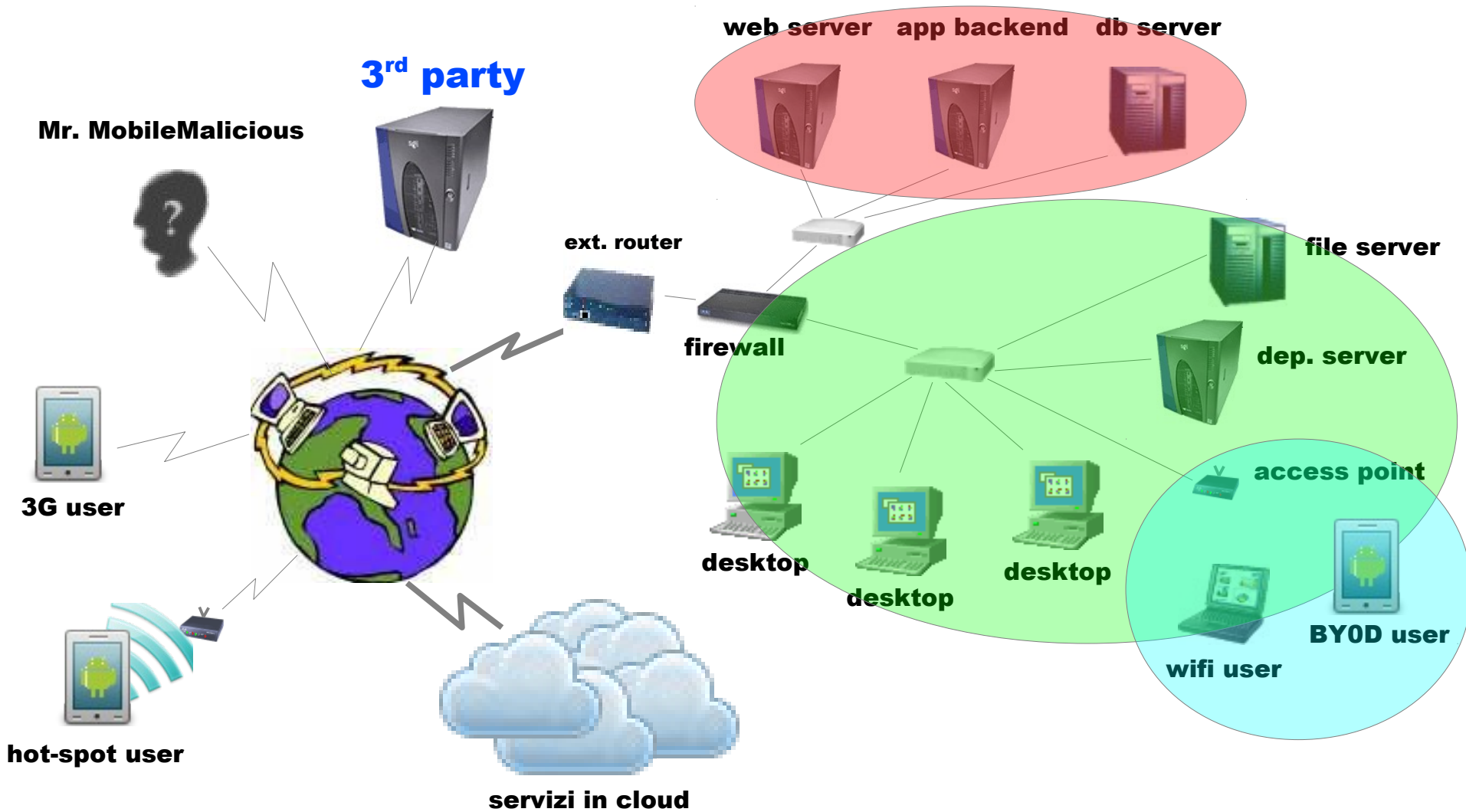
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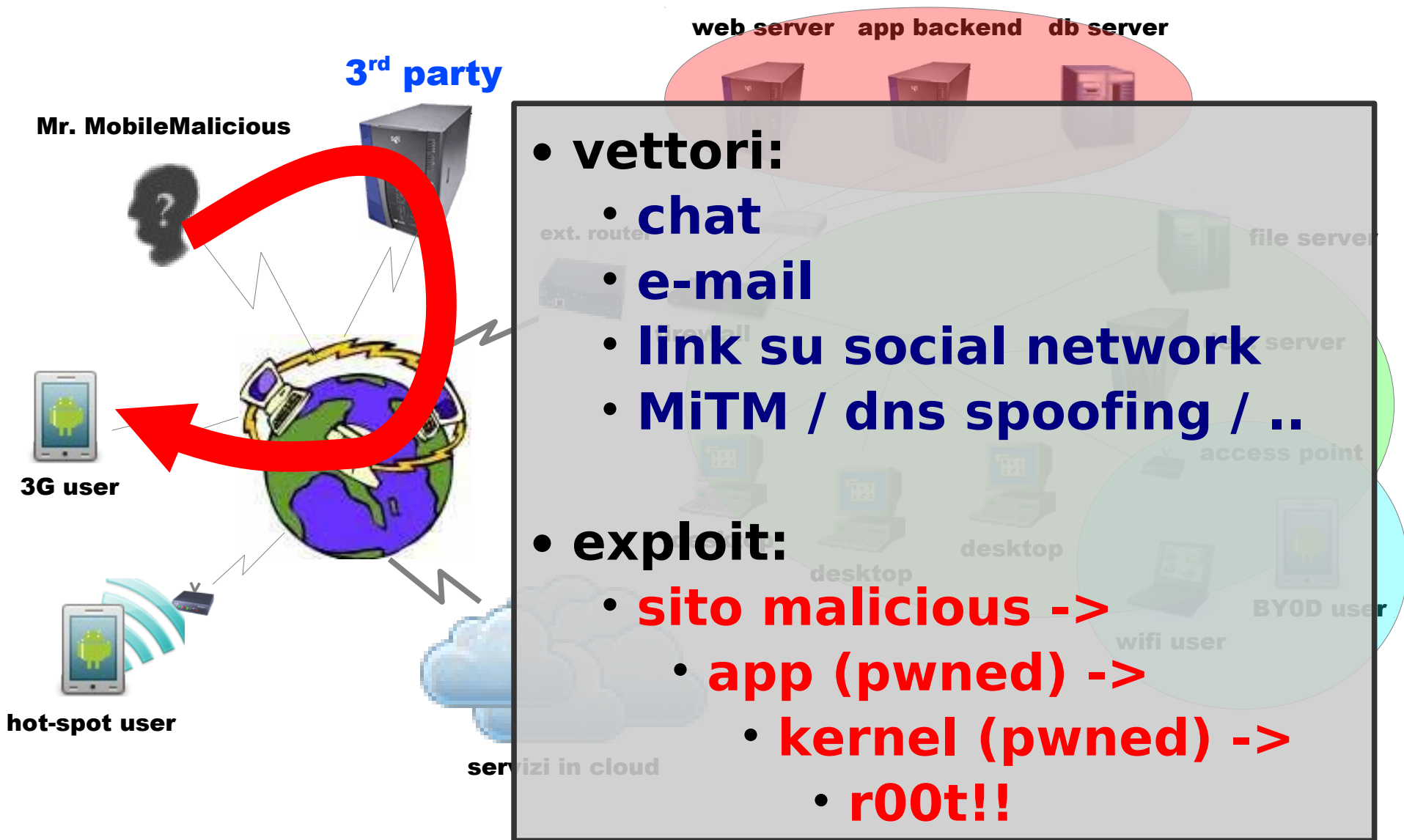
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“Like all security features, the Application Sandbox is not unbreakable. However, to break out of the Application Sandbox in a properly configured device, one must compromise the security of the the Linux kernel.”









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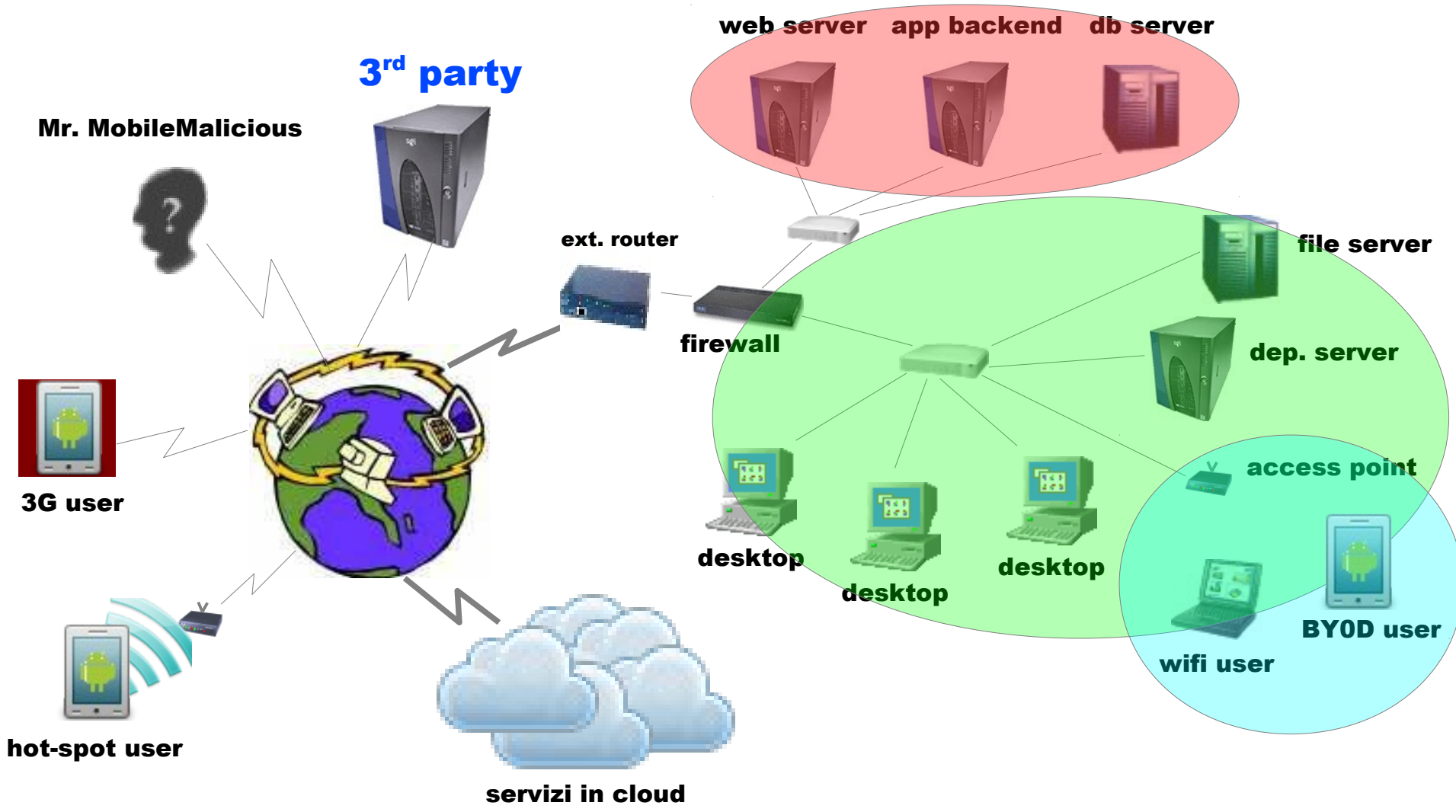


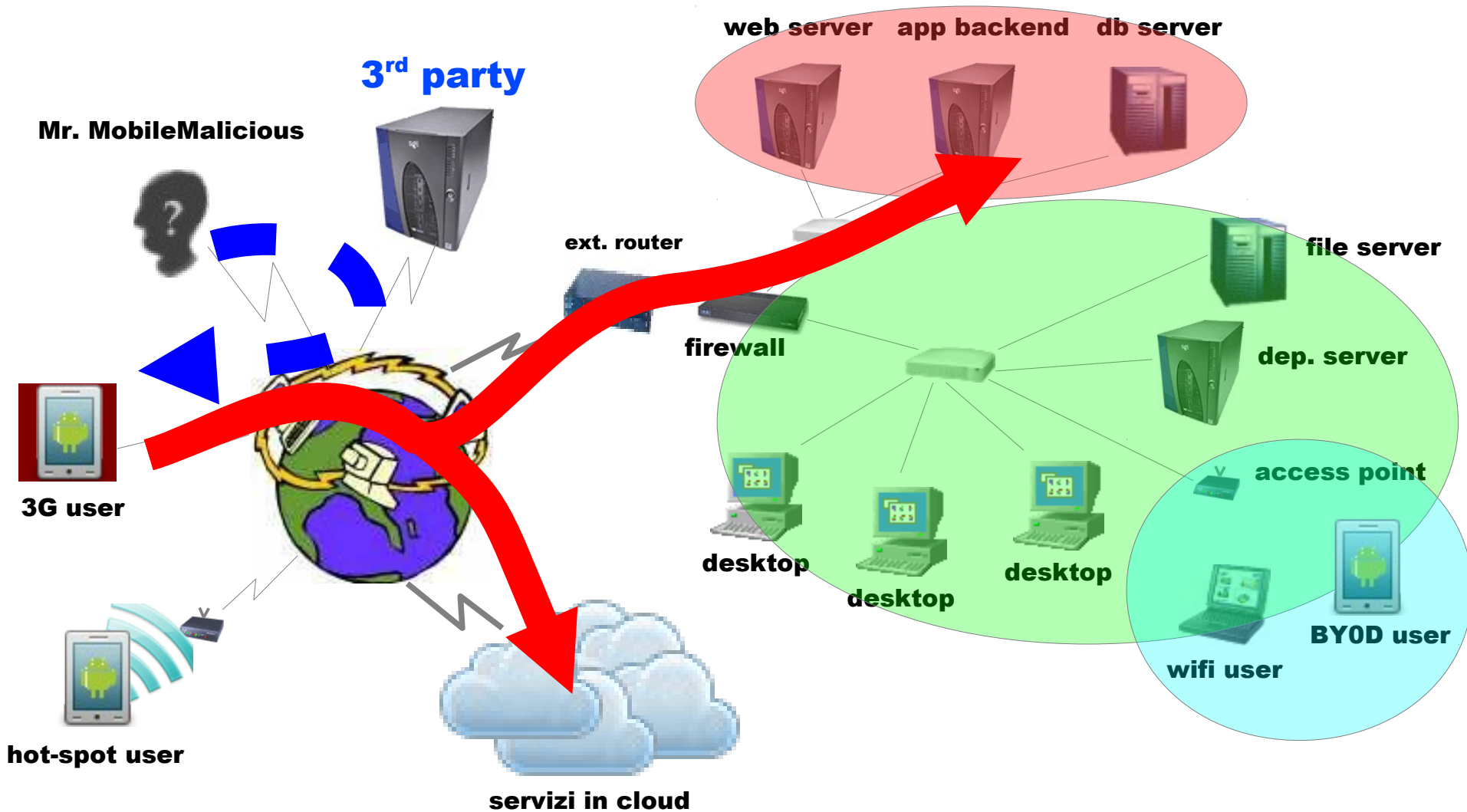
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- classico “client side attack”:
  - exploit app/lib
    - (webkit, ..)
  - exec codice arbitrario
    - -> kernel (syscall, ioctl, ..)
  - situazione no-win
  - “non ci interessa”
- però...:
  - root -> controllo completo
  - accesso ai dati di ogni app



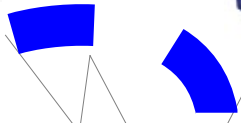




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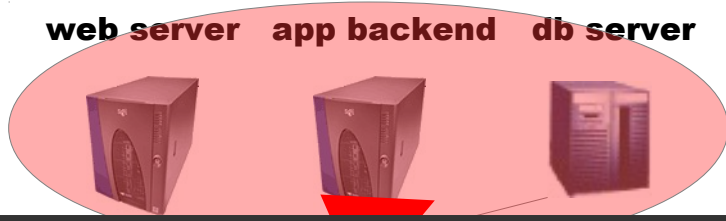
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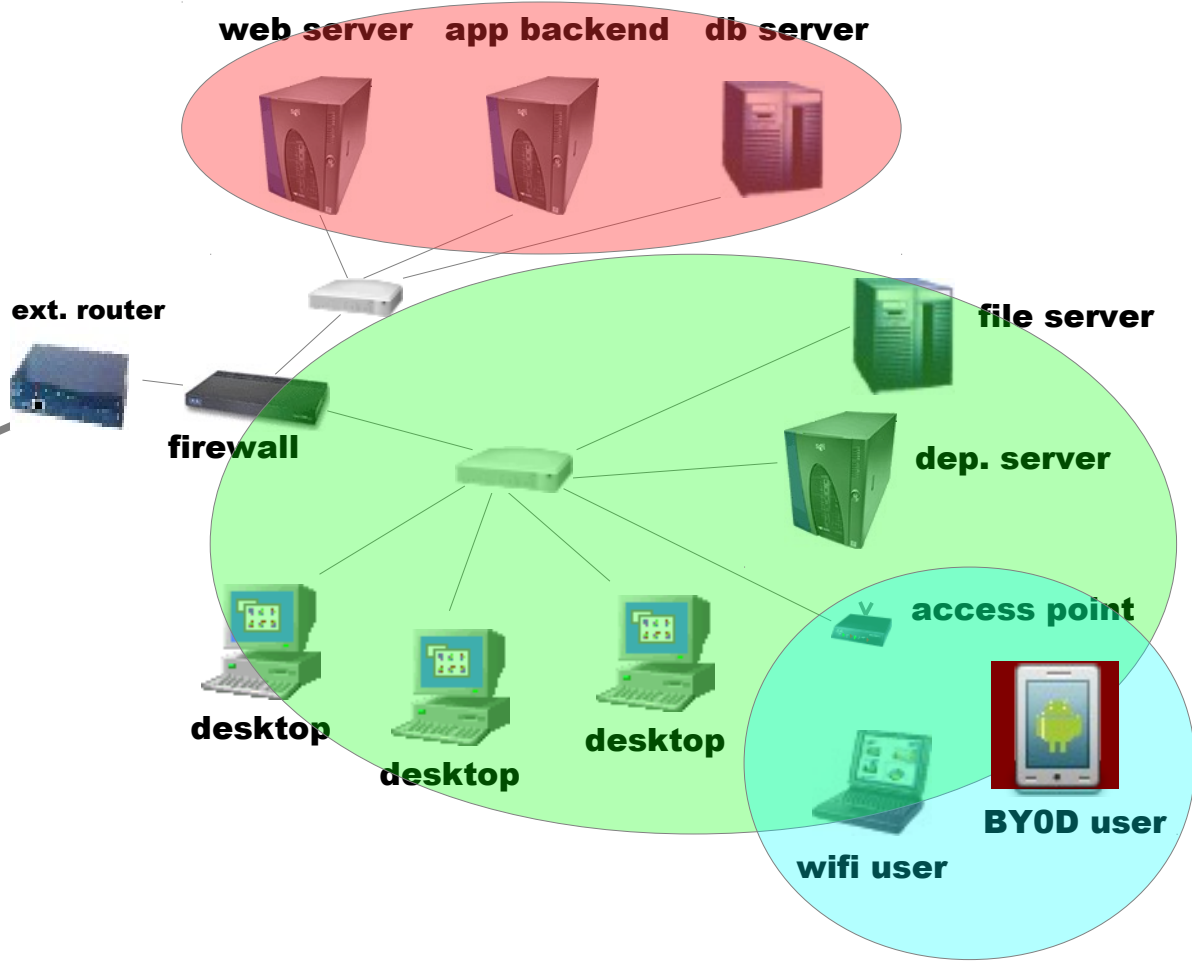
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- **root -> controllo completo**
- **dati personali**  
posta, documenti, rubrica, calendario, ..
- **intercettazioni**  
audio, video, messaging, network, ..
- **geolocalizzazione**  
foto, social network, ..
- **credenziali**  
siti, posta, VPN, .. → cloud storage

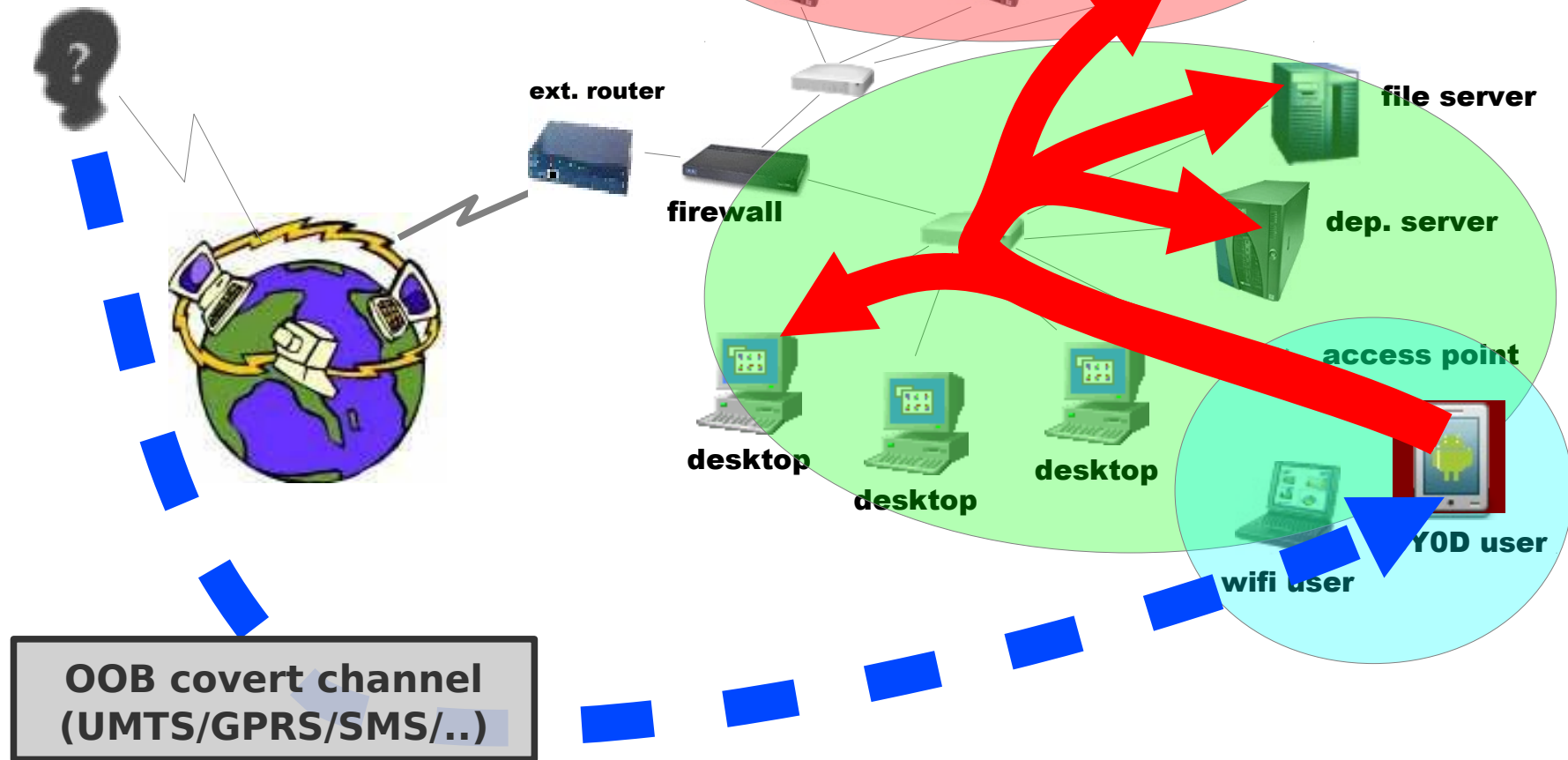


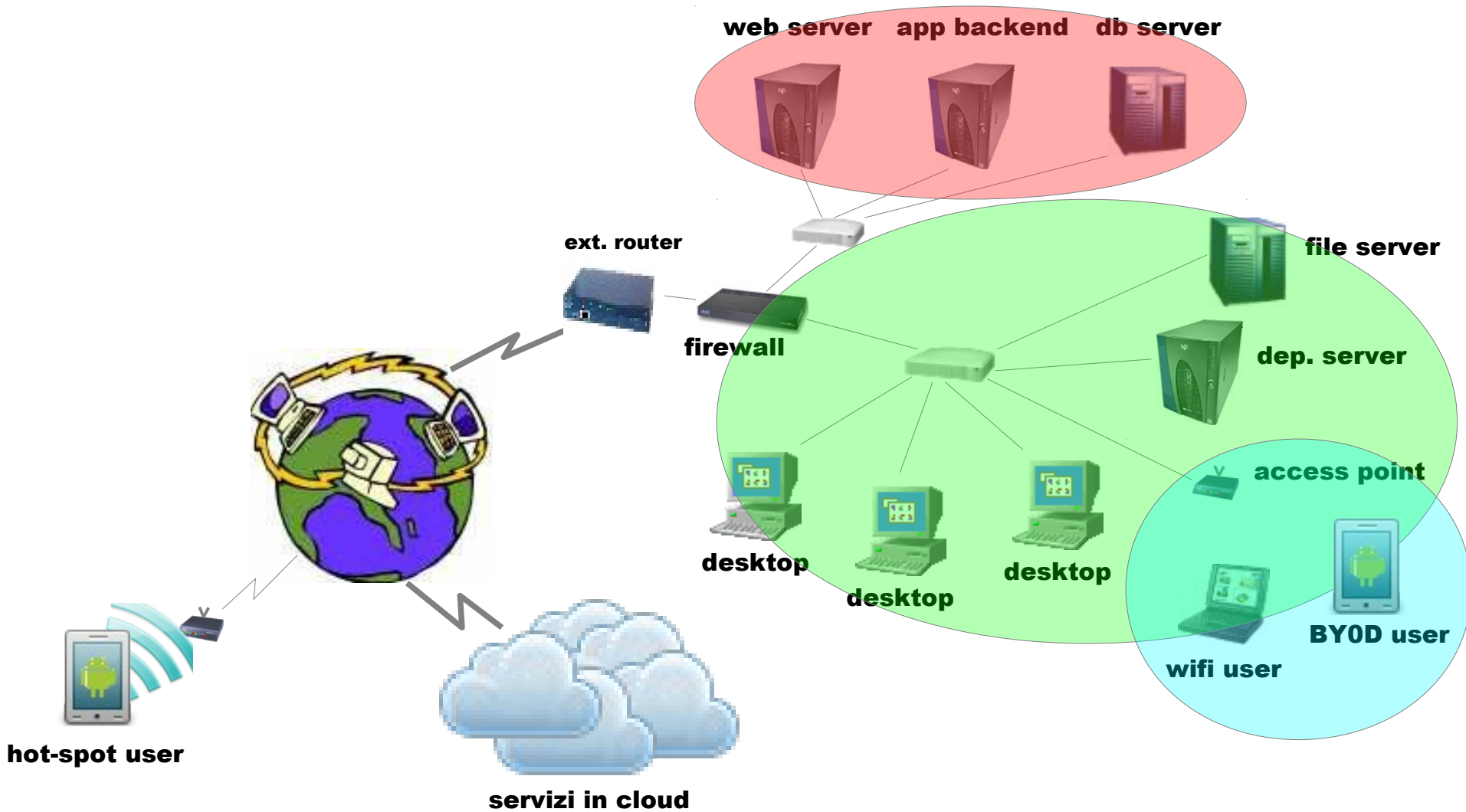
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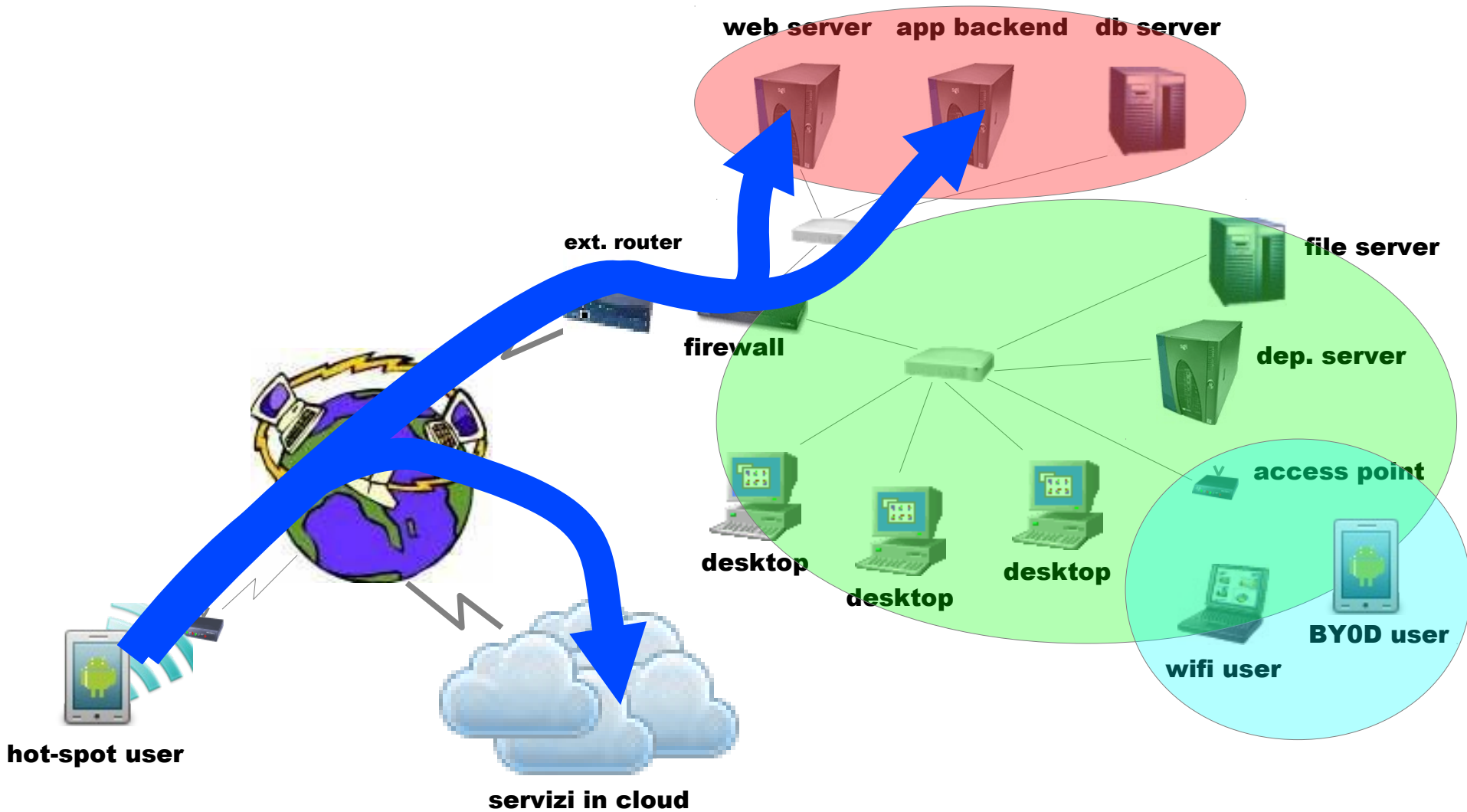
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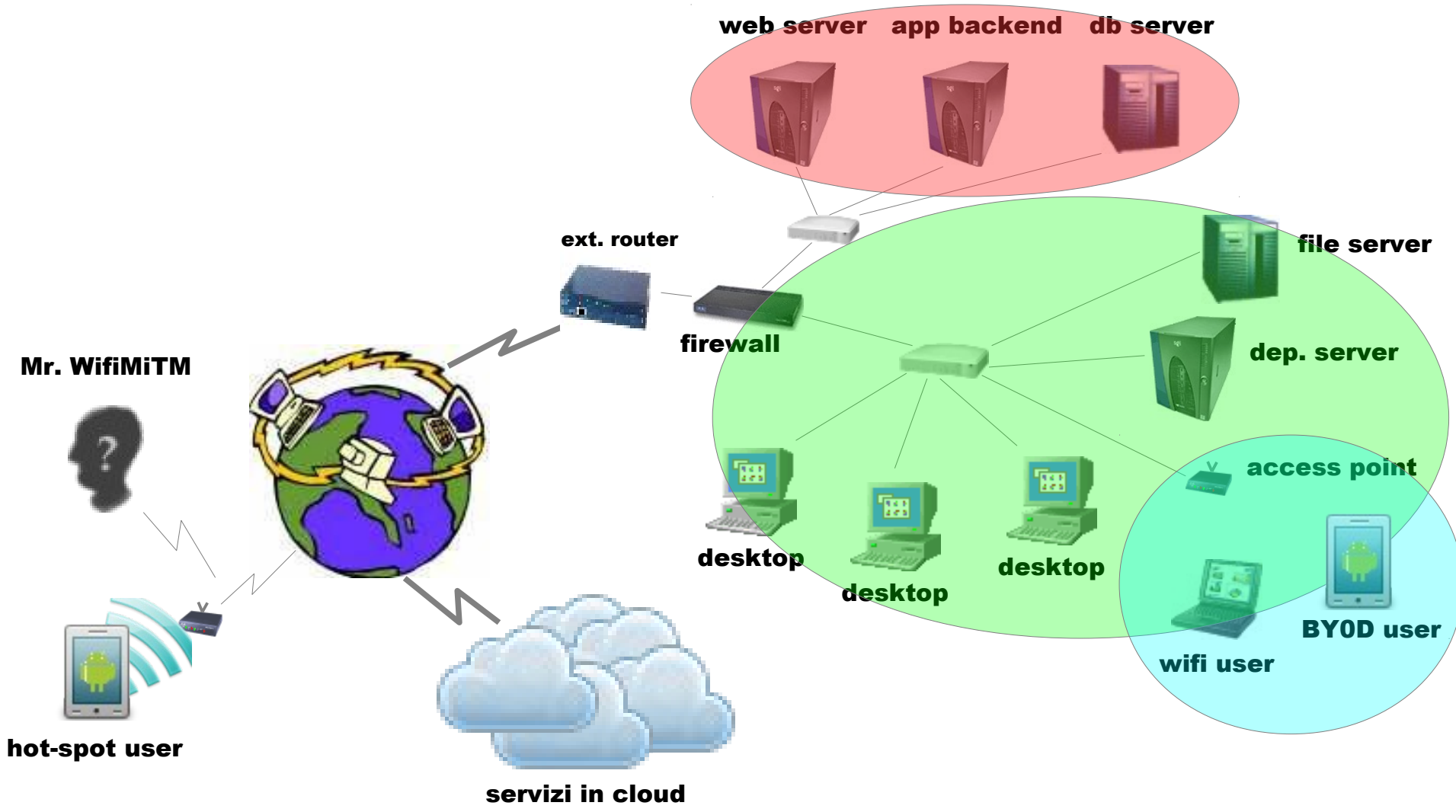
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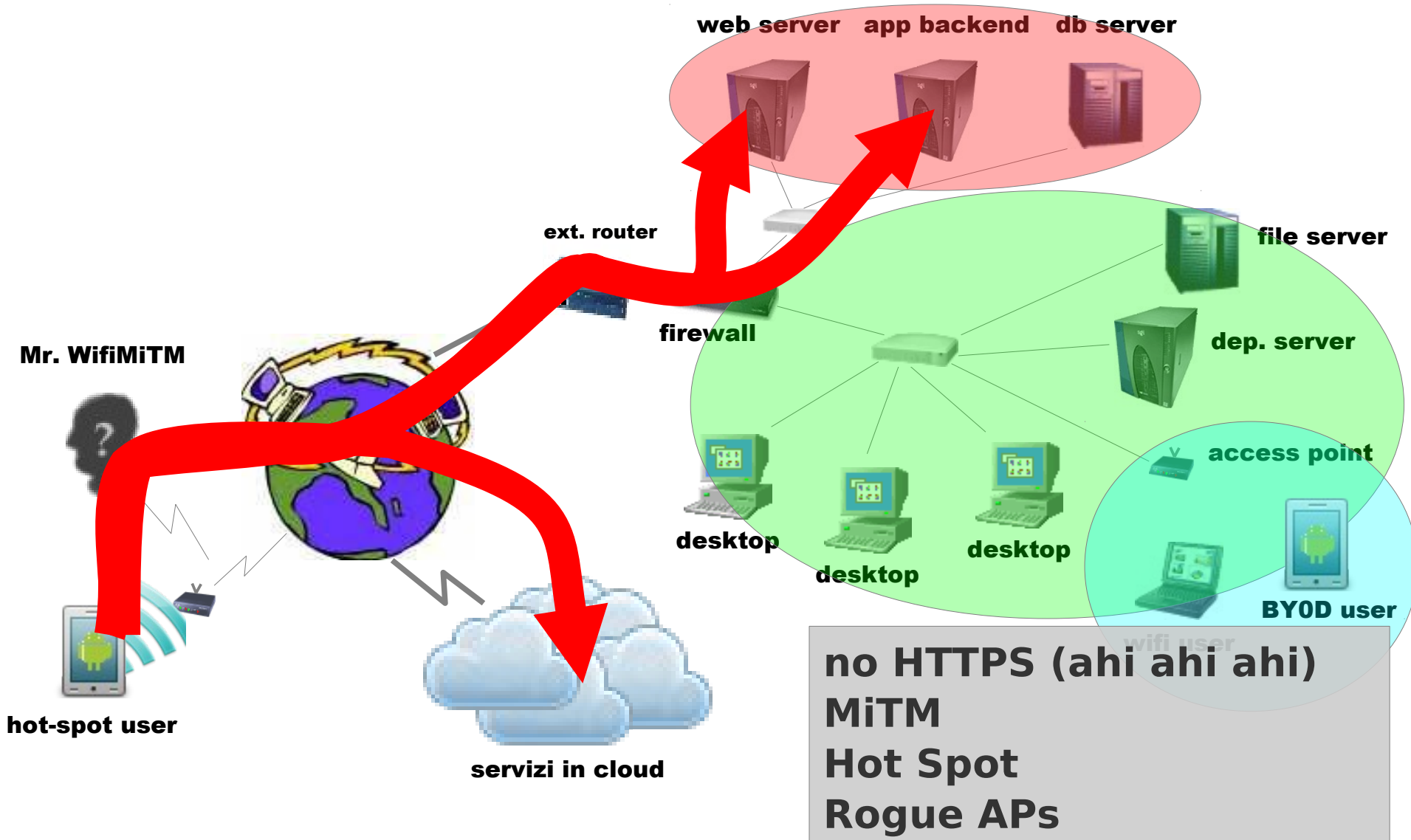


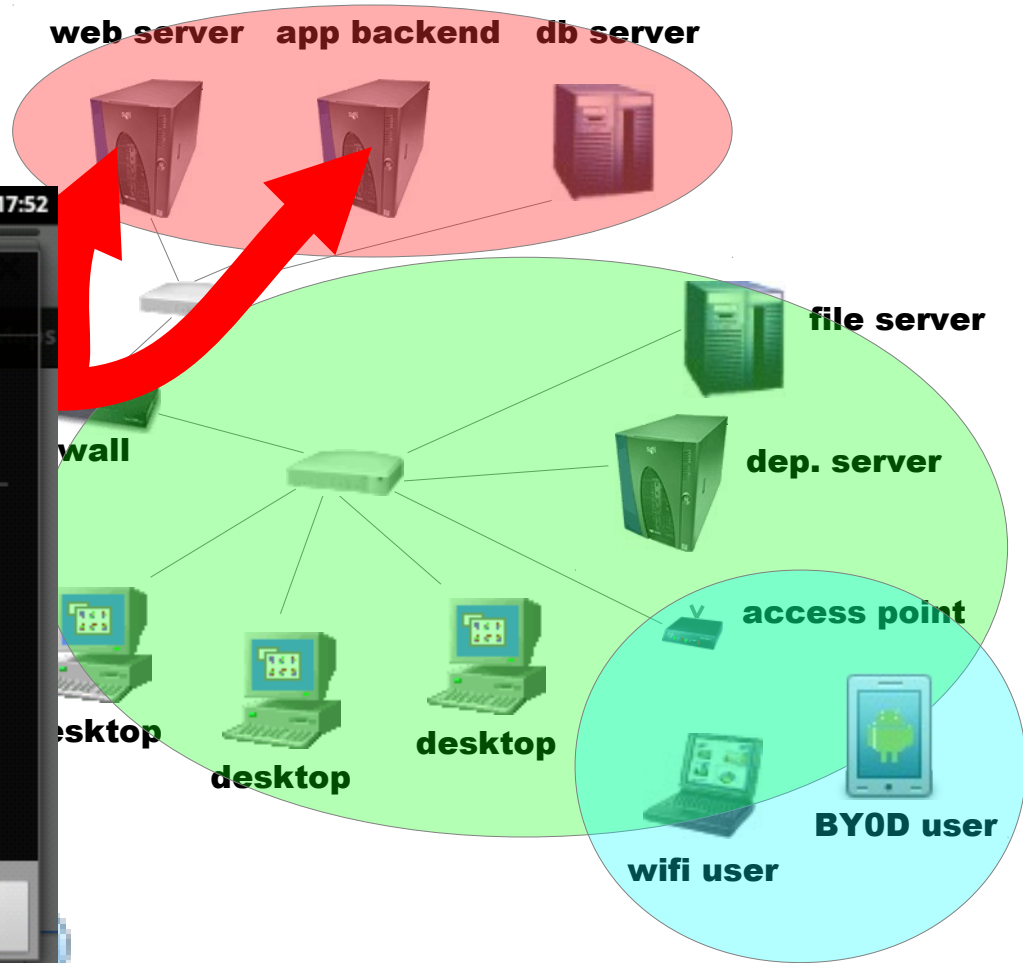
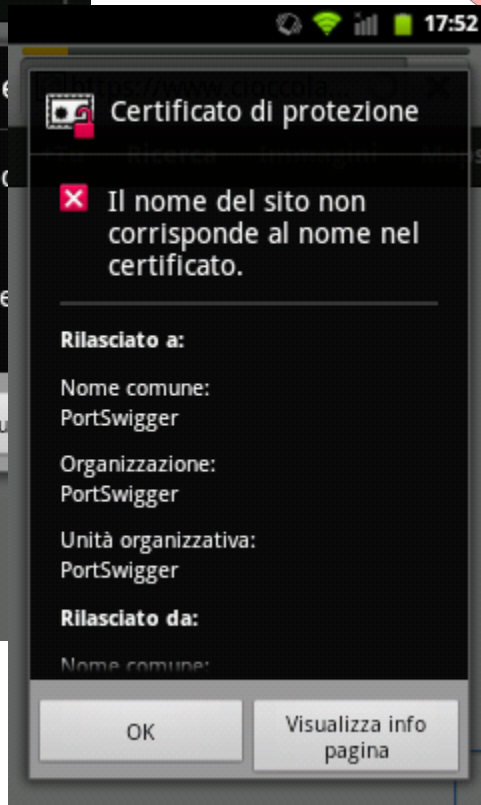






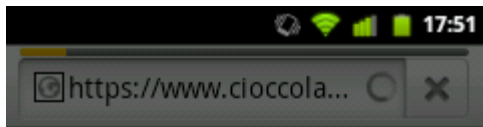






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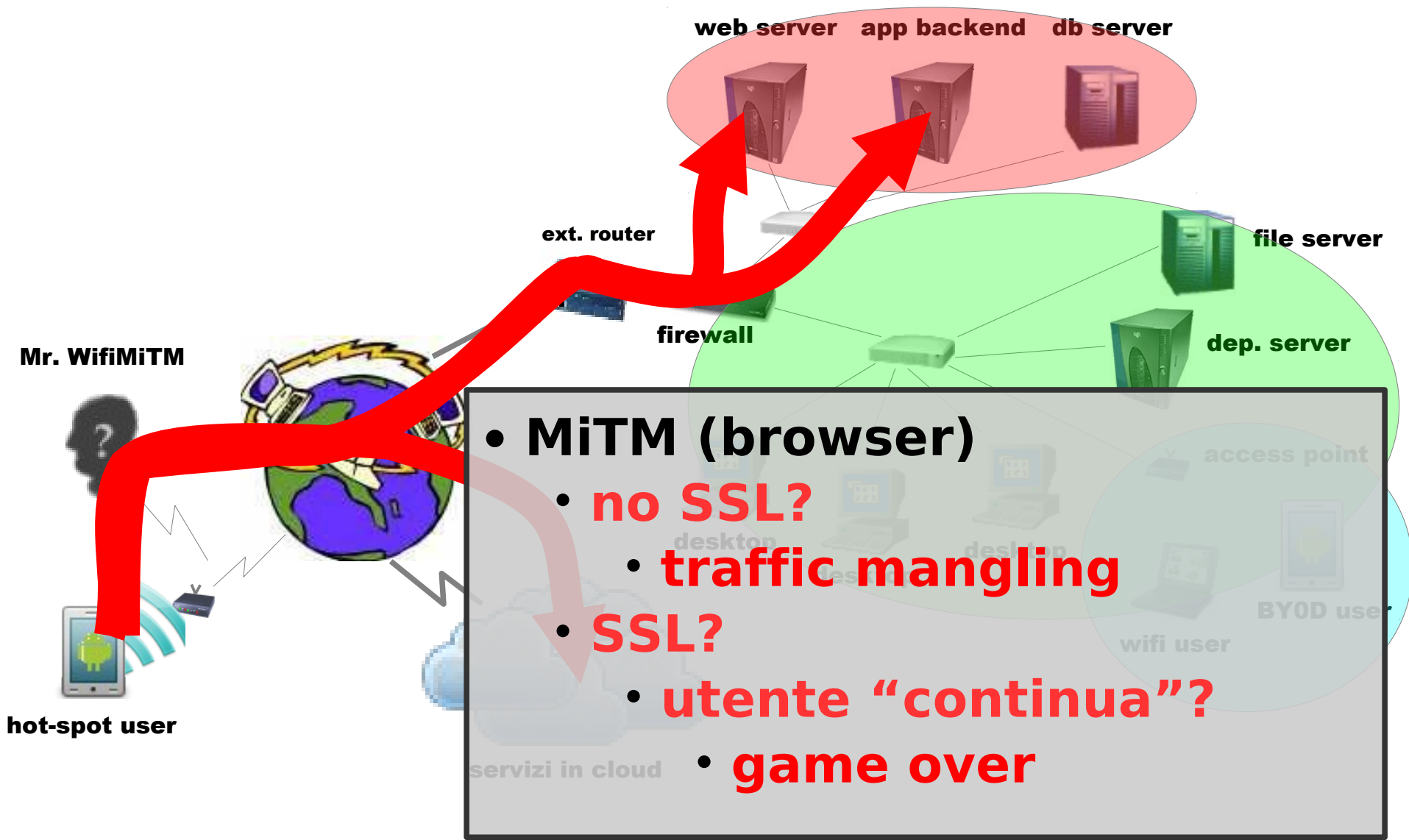
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```
POST /mail/?page=login HTTP/1.1
Host: www.ciocolatai.it
Accept-Encoding: gzip
Referer: https://www.ciocolatai.it/mail/
Accept-Language: it-IT, en-US
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; U; Android 2.3.7; it-it; Geeksphone ONE Build/GRI40; CyanogenMod-7) AppleWebKit/533.1 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/4.0 Mobile Safari/533.1
Origin: https://www.ciocolatai.it
Accept: application/xml,application/xhtml+xml,text/html;q=0.9,text/plain;q=0.8,image/png,*/*;q=0.5
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Accept-Charset: utf-8, iso-8859-1, utf-16, *;q=0.7
Content-Length: 53

user=user%40example.com&pass=SuperSegret0&login=Entra
```

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- **MiTM (browser)**

- **no SSL?**
- **traffic mangling**
- **SSL?**
- **utente "continua"?**
- **game over**

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access point

desktop

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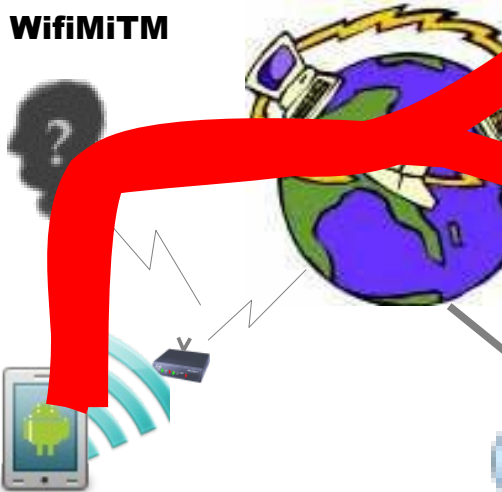
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    - **traffic mangling**
  - **SSL?**
    - **app verifica cert?**
      - **OK!**
    - **app non verifica cert?**
      - **game over**

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- **game over = traffic mangling**
  - **sniffing**
    - **credenziali**
    - **dati**
  - **reverse engineering**
    - **traffico/protocolli**
    - **business logic**
  - **analisi API/URL**
  - **rogue/fake app**
  - **HTML-like c.s. attacks**
    - **injection JS & co.**
    - **client side injection**

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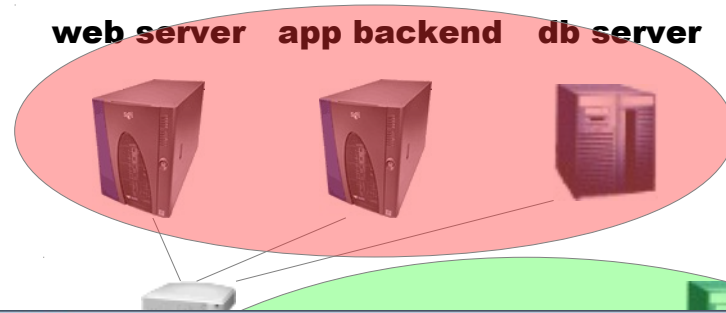
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  - **download**
    - market install
    - adb pull
  - **estrazione**
    - dex2jar, apk-extractor, ..
  - **analisi**
    - risorse, manifest, ..
  - **decompilazione**
    - jd-gui, yepjd, ..

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Terminal
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koba[platform-tools]$ ./adb pull /data/app/it.softeco.temporealeataf-1.apk
1205 KB/s (1034404 bytes in 0.837s)
koba[platform-tools]$ /opt/dex2jar-0.0.9.9/dex2jar.sh it.softeco.temporealeataf-1.apk
this cmd is deprecated, use the d2j-dex2jar if possible
dex2jar version: translator-0.0.9.9
dex2jar it.softeco.temporealeataf-1.apk -> it.softeco.temporealeataf-1_dex2jar.jar
Done.
koba[platform-tools]$ /opt/jd-gui/jd-gui it.softeco.temporealeataf-1_dex2jar.jar
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Java Decompiler - b.class

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      - journeyplanning
      - park
      - stoppoint
      - vms
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      - BaseGeoPOI
      - BasePOI
      - TrafficMessage
      - a
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f.class Cam.class a.class b.class c.class Vms.class a.class b.class

```
private Void b()
{
    GeoPoint localGeoPoint1 = h.a(new GeoPoint(this.d.b().a(), this.d.b().b()), this.d.r(), 225.0)
    if (h.a(localGeoPoint1, this.d.d().c()))
        localGeoPoint1 = new GeoPoint(this.d.d().c().getLatitudeE6(), this.d.d().c().getLongitudeE6)
    GeoPoint localGeoPoint2 = h.a(new GeoPoint(this.d.b().a(), this.d.b().b()), this.d.r(), 45.0)
    if (h.b(localGeoPoint2, this.d.d().d()))
        localGeoPoint2 = new GeoPoint(this.d.d().d().getLatitudeE6(), this.d.d().d().getLongitudeE6)
    if (this.d.d().a("VmsList_Disabled") != null);
    try
    {
        String str1 = this.d.d().a("VmsList_Disabled").a();
        Locale localLocale = Locale.US;
        String str2 = str1 + "?urLat=%f&urLon=%f&llLat=%f&llLon=%f&getId=true&getDist=true&dt=%d&cei";
        Object[] arrayOfObject = new Object[8];
        arrayOfObject[0] = Double.valueOf(localGeoPoint2.getLatitudeE6() / 1000000.0D);
        arrayOfObject[1] = Double.valueOf(localGeoPoint2.getLongitudeE6() / 1000000.0D);
        arrayOfObject[2] = Double.valueOf(localGeoPoint1.getLatitudeE6() / 1000000.0D);
        arrayOfObject[3] = Double.valueOf(localGeoPoint1.getLongitudeE6() / 1000000.0D);
        arrayOfObject[4] = Integer.valueOf(this.d.e());
        arrayOfObject[5] = Double.valueOf(this.d.b().a() / 1000000.0D);
        arrayOfObject[6] = Double.valueOf(this.d.b().b() / 1000000.0D);
        arrayOfObject[7] = n.a(this.c.getString(2131034226));
        this.a = Vms.a(m.a(String.format(localLocale, str2, arrayOfObject)));
        return null;
    }
    catch (i locali)
    {
        while (true)
        {
            a();
        }
    }
}
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Java Decompiler - Home.class

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- Home
- POIBookmarkList
- POIHome
- Preferences
- ShowCurrentLocation
- ShowOnMap
- ShowPOIOnMap
- SplashScreen
- StuffAroundCurrentLocation
- TermOfUse
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- aa
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VmsList.class VmsMap.class a.class z.class y.class RequestInfo.class JourneyPath

```
if ((j)this.f.a().get(i1)).a() == this.m)
    this.f.a(i1);
}

private boolean d()
{
    boolean bool1 = false;
    boolean bool2 = true;
    try
    {
        if ((this.f.d()).a("TicketStore").a("TicketStoreSMSPhoneNumber") != null) && (this.f.d()).a("TicketStore").a("TicketSMSRequestText") == null) || (this.f.d()).a("TicketStore").a("TicketStoreHashCode") == null) || (this.f.d()).a("TicketStore").a("TicketStoreSMSPhoneNumber").a().concat(this.f.d()).a("TicketStoreSMSRequestText").a() != null)
        {
            boolean bool3 = n.b(this.f.d()).a("TicketStore").a("TicketStoreSMSPhoneNumber").a().concat(this.f.d()).a("TicketStoreSMSRequestText").a();
            if (!bool3)
                return bool1;
        }
    }
    catch (Exception localException)
    {
        while (true)
        {
            continue;
            bool1 = bool2;
            continue;
            bool2 = false;
            continue;
            label246: bool3 = false;
        }
    }
}
```

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- **.apk**

- **analisi business logic**

- **broken/no auth**
    - **broken/no session management**
    - **credenziali/certificati**

- **URL/API “privati”**

- **HTTP/JSON/XMLRPC/WS/..**

- **SQL Injections**
    - **Path Traversal**
    - **Broken/no auth/session m.**
    - **...**

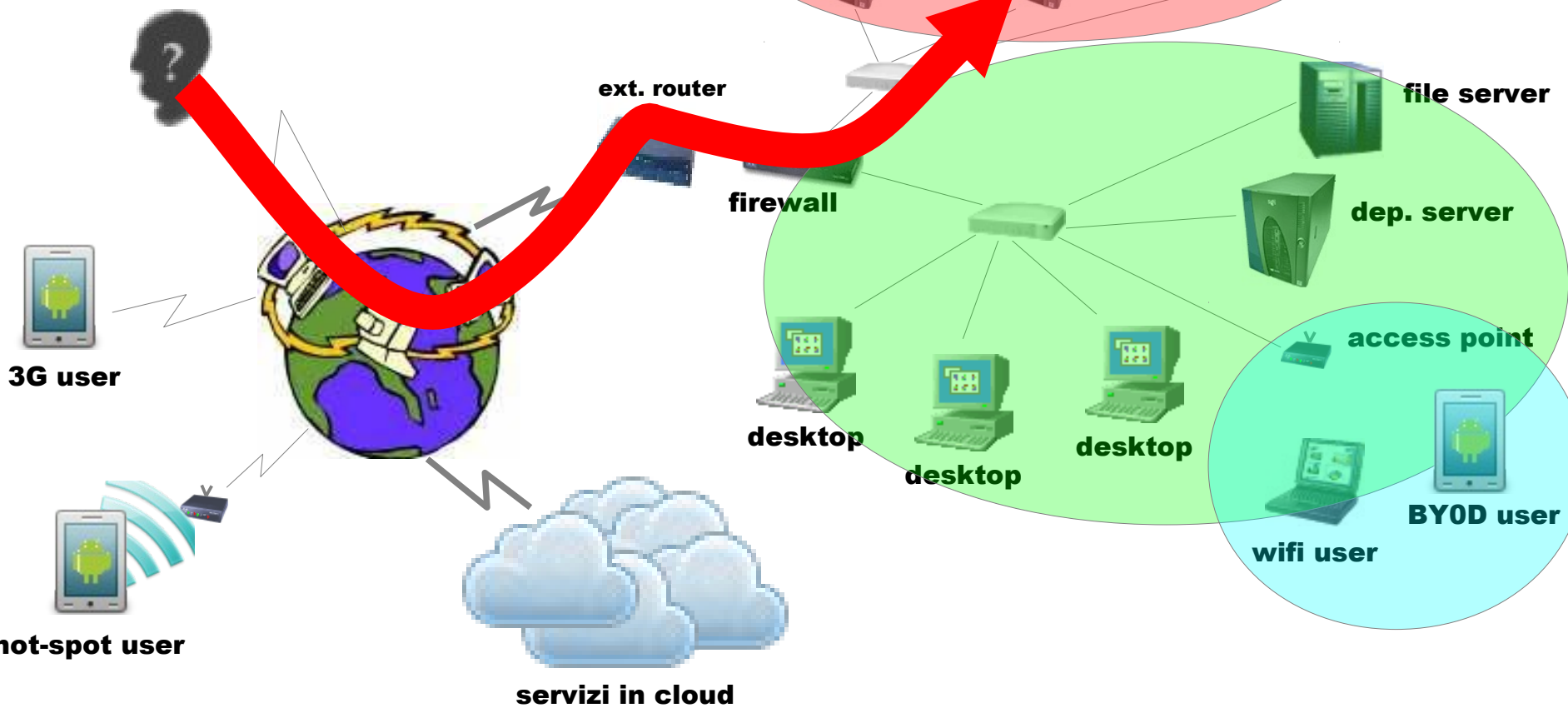
- **custom/altri protocolli**

- **reverse engineering**
    - **vedi sopra**



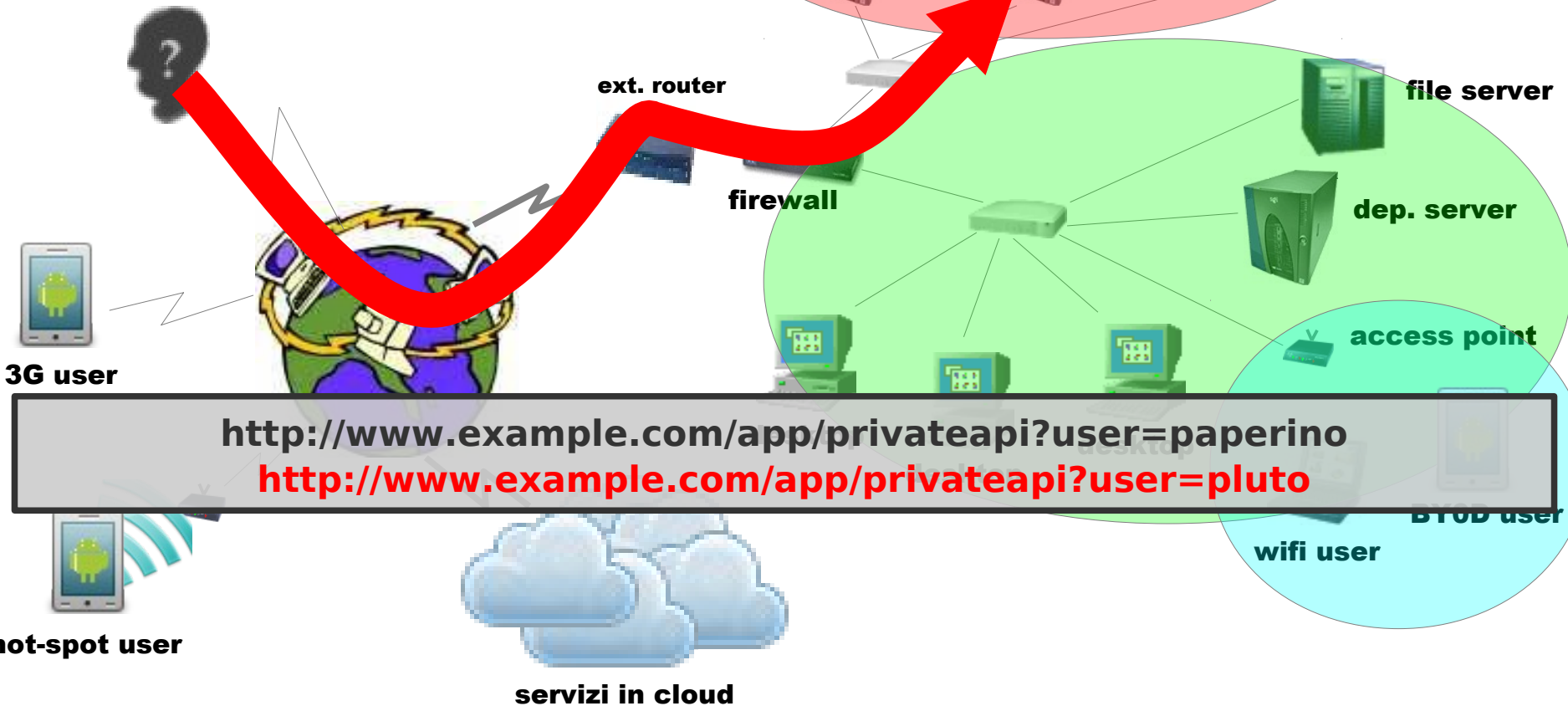
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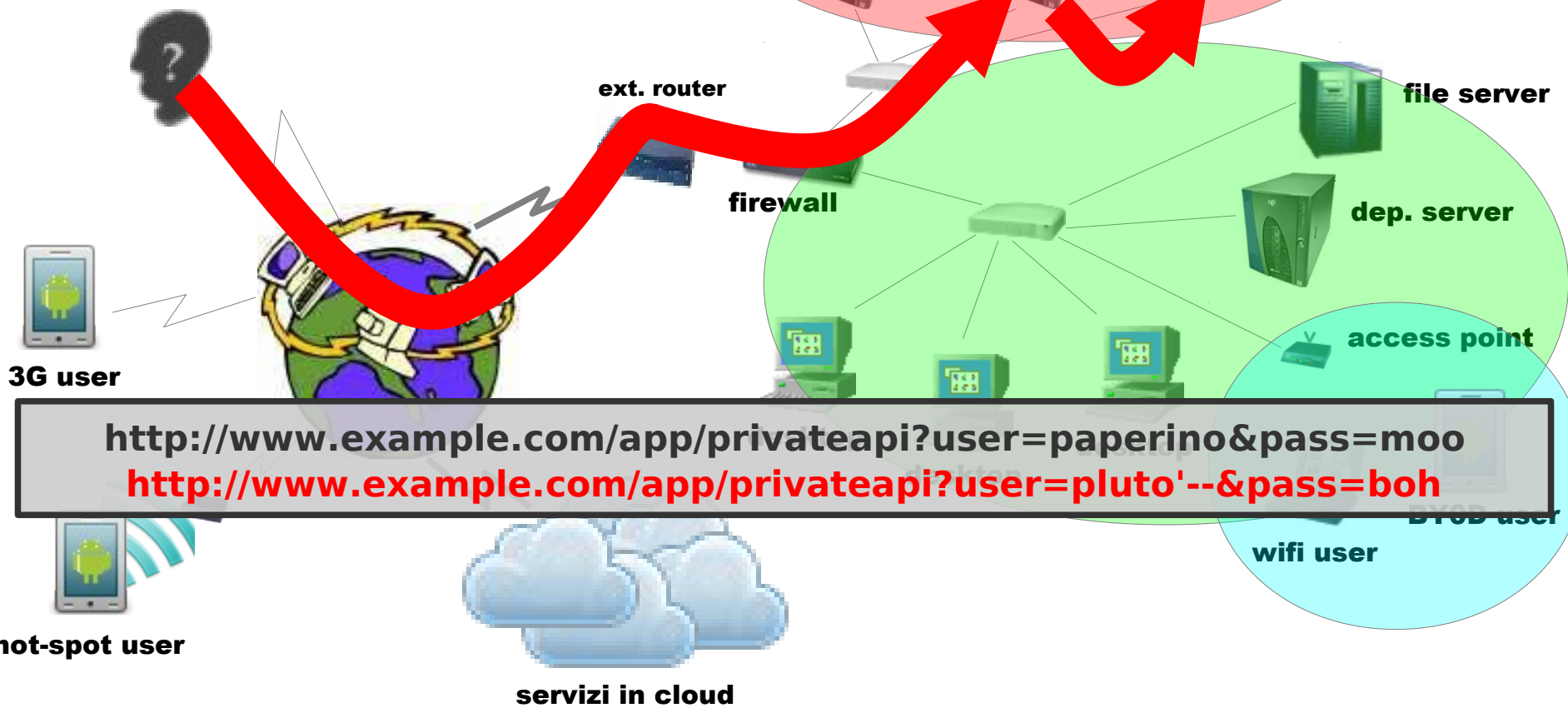
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<http://www.example.com/app/privateapi?user=paperino>  
<http://www.example.com/app/privateapi?user=pluto>

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<http://www.example.com/app/privateapi?user=paperino&pass=moo>  
<http://www.example.com/app/privateapi?user=pluto'--&pass=boh>

# Top 10 Mobile Risks, Release Candidate v1.0

1. Insecure Data Storage
2. Weak Server Side Controls
3. Insufficient Transport Layer Protection
4. Client Side Injection
5. Poor Authorization and Authentication
6. Improper Session Handling
7. Security Decisions Via Untrusted Inputs
8. Side Channel Data Leakage
9. Broken Cryptography
10. Sensitive Information Disclosure

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Target Proxy Spider Scanner Intruder Repeater Sequencer Decoder Comparer Options Alerts

Intercept Options History

Request to http://www.apperhand.com:80 [217.65.36.4]

Forward Drop Intercept is on Action

Raw Params Headers Hex

```
POST /ProtocolGW/protocol/commands HTTP/1.1
device-id: %2B1dVTHhsIu3gAlTxX%2F8fbhe7o9Y%3D
protocol-version: 1.0.17
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; U; Android 2.3.7; it-it; Geeksphone ONE Build/GRI40; CyanogenMod-7) AppleWebKit/533.1 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/4.0 Mobile Safari/533.1
Content-Type: application/json
Accept-Encoding: gzip
Accept: application/json
Content-Length: 849
Host: www.apperhand.com
Connection: Keep-Alive

{"initiationType":"schedule","currentInterval":3600,"needSpecificParameters":false,"abTestId":null,"applicationDetails":{"abTestId":null,"androidId":"6fef129f6ccala8b","applicationId":"201183867","build":{"brand":"geeksphone","device":"one","manufacturer":"Geeksphone","model":"Geeksphone ONE","os":"Android","versionRelease":"2.3.7","versionSDKInt":10},"developerId":"101687883","deviceId":"+1dVTHhsIu3gAlTxX/8fbhe7o9Y=","displayMetrics":{"density":0.75,"densityDpi":120,"heightPixels":400,"scaledDensity":0.75,"widthPixels":240,"xdpi":160.42105,"ydpi":158.75},"locale":"it_IT","packageId":"com.geeksoft.screenshot","protocolVersion":"1.0.17","sourceIp":null,"userAgent":"Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; U; Android 2.3.7; it-it; Geeksphone ONE Build/GRI40; CyanogenMod-7) AppleWebKit/533.1 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/4.0 Mobile Safari/533.1"},"parameters":{}}
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protocol-version: 1.0.17
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; U; Android 2.3.7; it-it; Geeksphone ONE Build/GRI40; CyanogenMod-7) AppleWebKit/533.1 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/4.0 Mobile Safari/533.1
Content-Type: application/json
Accept-Encoding: gzip
Accept: application/json
Content-Length: 849
```

Request Response

Raw Headers Hex

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: Apache-Coyote/1.1
Content-Type: application/json
Content-Length: 206
Date: Fri, 16 Nov 2012 17:53:31 GMT

{"commands":[{"id":"ae51cdf0-473c-4e73-8057-6030cf0alb22","parameters":{"Shortcuts":["searchmobileonline.com"],"command":"INFO"}],"commandsInterval":7200,"parameters":{"abTest":null,"validResponse":true}}
```

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Two online security companies are arguing over whether as many as 5m **Android** handsets are infected with **malware** produced by a publisher via its official app Market – or just part of an "aggressive" advertising network.

Symantec **said** that "multiple publisher IDs on the Android Market ... are being used to push out Android.Counterclank", which is software that it says is "a bot-like threat" which can also steal information from devices.

But Lookout Mobile Security, which specialises in mobile and the Android sector, **disagrees**: "We disagree with the assessment that this is malware, although we do believe that the **Apperhand SDK** [contained in the apps] is an aggressive form of ad network and should be taken seriously."

The dispute indicates that the conflict about the difference between malware and "adware" – where software on the user's computer generates intrusive advertising – has shifted from the desktop, where the line has been blurred over the years, to the mobile platform, and particularly to Android, the mobile

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- **diffusione e “geopardizzazione” (AUGH!)**
- **sorgenti (AOSP), docs, SDK, NDK, emulatore, ..**
- **.apk → decompilazione, reversing, debug**
- **aggiornamenti OS, app e market alternativi**
- **permessi delle applicazioni “delegati” agli utenti**
- **Linux Kernel, ~ Linux userspace e librerie (e bug)**
- **exploit mitigation techniques (fail) (< 2.3, < 4.0.3)**
- **OOB “covert” channel (umts/gprs, SMS, ..)**
- **territori poco esplorati: OS/lib custom, hw driver**



- **dati personali** (posta, documenti, rubrica, calendario, ..)
- **intercettazioni** (audio, video, messaging, network, ..)
- **geolocalizzazione** (foto, social network, ..)
- **credenziali** (siti, posta, VPN, ..) → **cloud storage**
- **HTML-like client side attacks**
- **EvilApp want to eat your soul.. Install? YES!!!**
- **BYOD (Bring Your Owned Device)**
- **banking OTP (\$\$)**
- **NFC (\$\$)**

- **url e web-services “privati”**
- **business logic esposta (client-side)**
- **-> device -> credenziali -> back-end**
- **-> device -> storage -> back-end**
- **credenziali e certificati hard-coded (.apk)**
- **no/lazy input validation**
- **no/broken authentication & session management**
- **the good ole web security vulns**



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