

Google BeyondCorp

- - company network has the same security level than the Internet
 - workers can access the company services from everywhere
 - they use managed devices
 - access control on application / connection level
 - access control also takes patch level and client location into account

Problems Solved by BeyondCorp

- the network that is secured by the perimeter is too large
- no clear perimeter in the cloud and datacenters anymore:
 - > example: vhosts, hosting providers
- when security relies only on the perimeter it is weak and should be considered as being broken.

Analogy:

- a) security by obscurity
- b) security by design
- > perimeter = a)

Make the perimeter smaller!

- easier to grasp what is inside the perimeter
 - higher confidence whether the perimeter is correct or not
 - Analogy: trusted code base
 - > BUT: it is not disappearing

Focus on end points

- > device management instead of perimeter security
- > don't spend your time with putting up more and more perimeters
- > keep your devices secure

SDN for Legacy

- * What happens with legacy devices like printers?
 - in a completely open network these devices are accessible from the internet
 - possibly unsupported with old patch levels
- * SDN for protecting legacy devices
 - security is implemented in the controller
 - managed devices need adaptations as well
 - but most devices could still be used in this scenario

What does this mean for the network? Two different solutions:

1. - simple network as infrastructure,
security is provided end-to-end by the managed device and the server
 - access control at the end points
2. - network enforces security rules with SDN
access control in the network by the controller
 - usable with legacy devices as well

* large perimeter at network edges is still useful for monitoring and additional security, but should not be the only source of security