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“TRUSTED” COMPUTING

DISTRIBUTED OPERATING SYSTEMS

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Understand principles of:

- Authenticated booting, relation to (closed) secure booting
- Remote attestation
- Sealed memory
- Dynamic root of trust, late launch
- Protection of applications from the OS
- Point to implementation variants (TPM, iSGX, ARM-TZ)

Non-Goal:

- Lots of TPM, TCG, Trustzone, SGX details
→ read the documents once needed

- Secure Booting
- Authenticated Booting
- (Remote) Attestation
- Sealed Memory
- Late Launch / dynamic root of trust
- Trusted Computing (Group) / Trusted Computing Base

- Beware of terminology chaos !

Trusted Computing Base (TCB)

- The set off all components, *hardware, software, procedures*, that must be relied upon to enforce a security policy.

Trusted Computing (TC)

- A particular technology comprised of authenticated booting, remote attestation and sealed memory.

- Can running certain Software be prevented?
- Which computer system do I communicate with ?
- Which stack of Software is running?
 - In front of me?
 - On my server somewhere?
- Restrict access to certain secrets (keys) to certain software?
- Protect an application against the OS

Digital Rights Management:

- Provider sells content
- Provider creates key, encrypts content
- Client downloads encrypted content, stores on disk
- Provider sends key, but needs to ensure that only specific SW can use it
- Has to work also when client is off line
- PROVIDER DOES NOT TRUST CUSTOMER

Virtual machine provided by cloud

- Client buys Cycles + Storage (Virtual machine)
- Client provides its own operating system
- Needs to ensure that provided OS runs
- Needs to ensure that provider cannot access data
- CUSTOMER DOES NOT TRUST PROVIDER

Industrial Plant Control (Uranium enrichment)

- Remote Operator sends commands, keys
- Local operator occasionally has to run test SW, update to new version, ...
- Local technicians are not Trusted

Anonymity Service

- Intended to provide anonymous communication over internet
- Legal system can request introduction of trap door (program change)
- Anonymity-service provider not trusted

Measuring

- “process of obtaining metrics of platform characteristics”
- example for metric: Hash- Codes of SW

Attestation

- “vouching for accuracy of information”

Sealed Memory

- binding information to a configuration

- $H(M)$
Collision-Resistant Hash Function H
applied to content M
- $S_{\text{pair}}: S_{\text{priv}} \quad S_{\text{pub}}$
Asymmetric key pair of entity S
used to conceal or sign some content
 S_{pub} is published, S_{priv} must be kept secret
- S_{symm}
symmetric key, must be kept secret ("secret key")

- “Digital Signature”: $\{ M \} S^{\text{priv}}$
 - S^{pub} can be used to verify that S has signed M
 - is short for: $(M, \text{encrypt}(H(M), S^{\text{priv}}))$
 - S^{pub} is needed and sufficient to check signature
- “Concealed Message”: $\{ M \} S^{\text{pub}}$
 - Message concealed for S
 - S^{priv} is needed to unconceal M

Program vendor: Foosoft FS

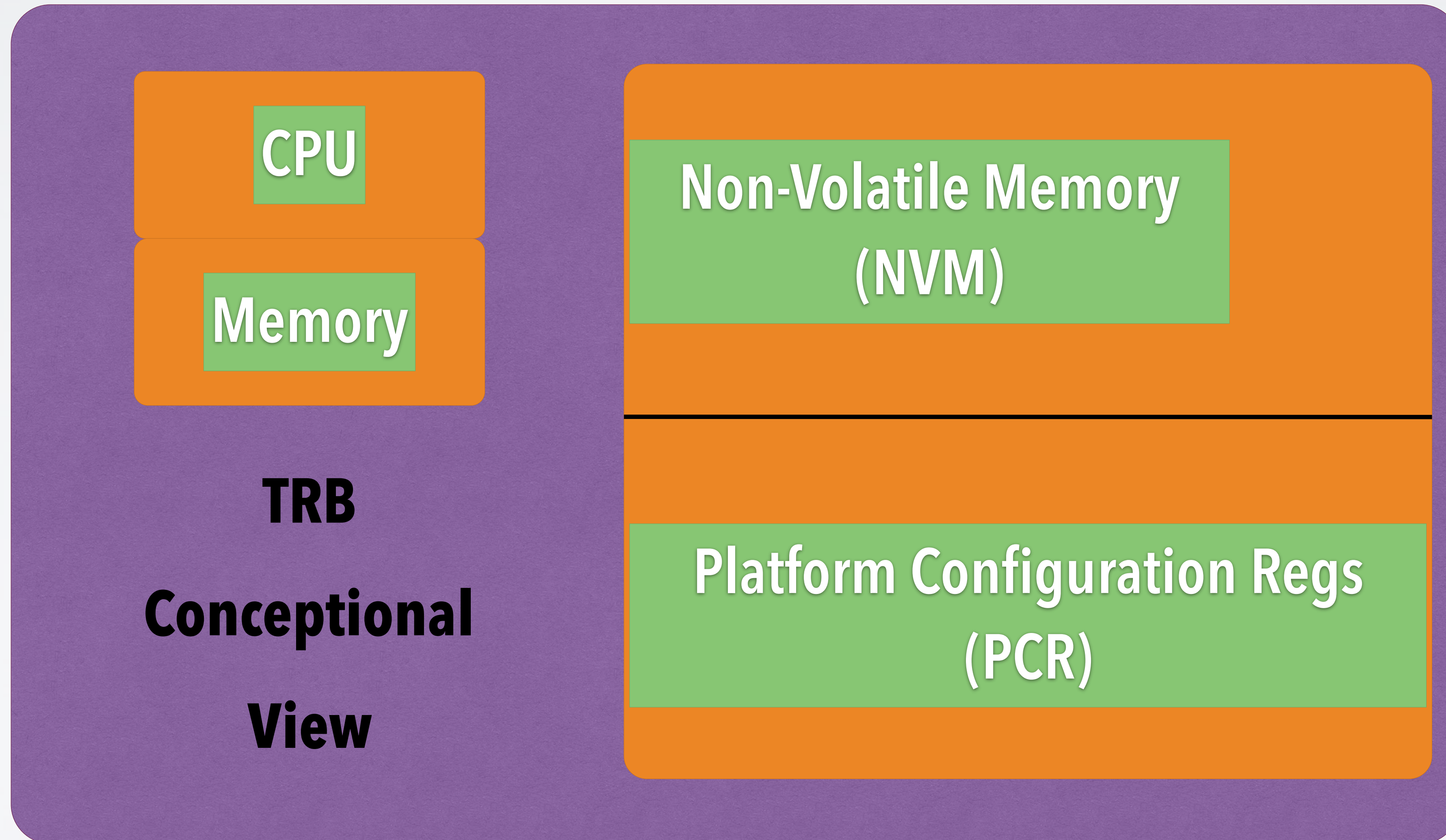
Two ways to identify Software: Hash / Public Key

- $H(\text{Program})$
- $\{\text{Program, ID- Program}\}_{FS^{priv}}$
use FS^{pub} to check
the signature must be made available,
e.g. shipped with the Program

The „ID“ of SW must be known.

FS^{pub} can serve as ID as well.

Tamperresistant Black Box(TRB)

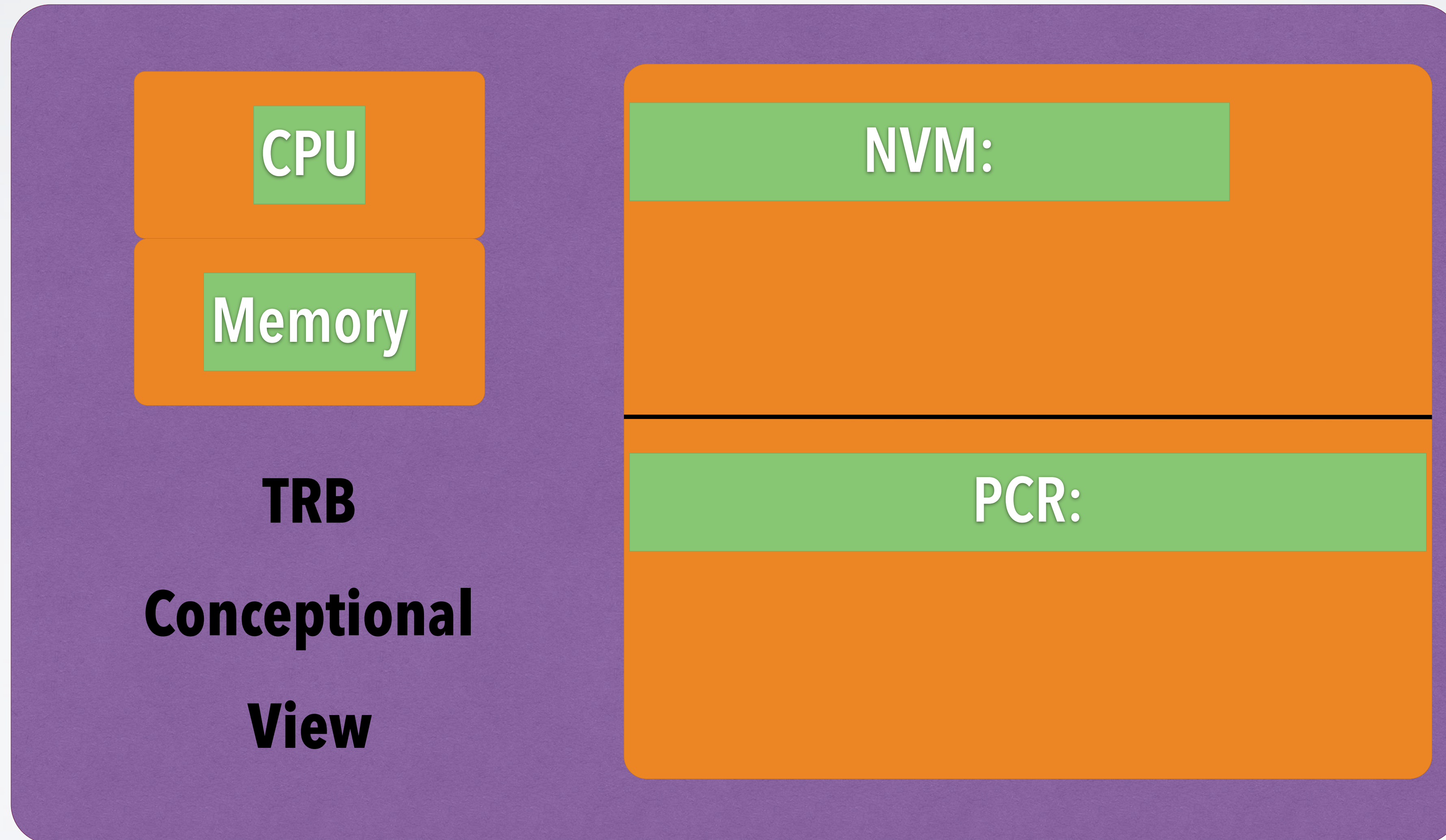


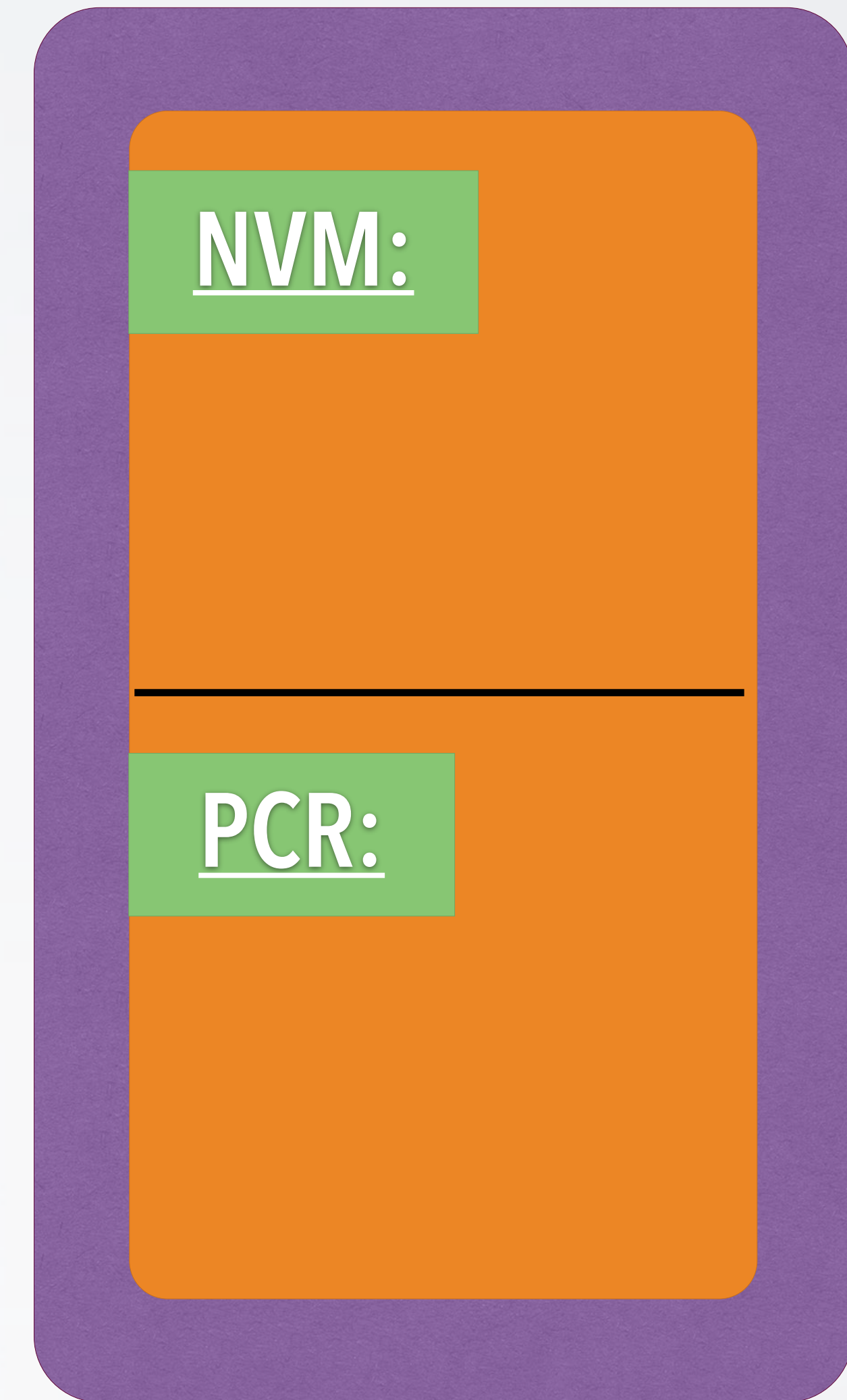
- Read-Only Memory (Flash)
- H(OS) in NVM preset by manufacturer
 - load OS- Code
 - compare H(loaded OS code) to preset H(OS)
 - abort if different
- FS_{pub} in NVM preset by manufacturer
 - load OS- Code
 - check signature of loaded OS-Code using FS_{pub}
 - abort if check fails

Steps:

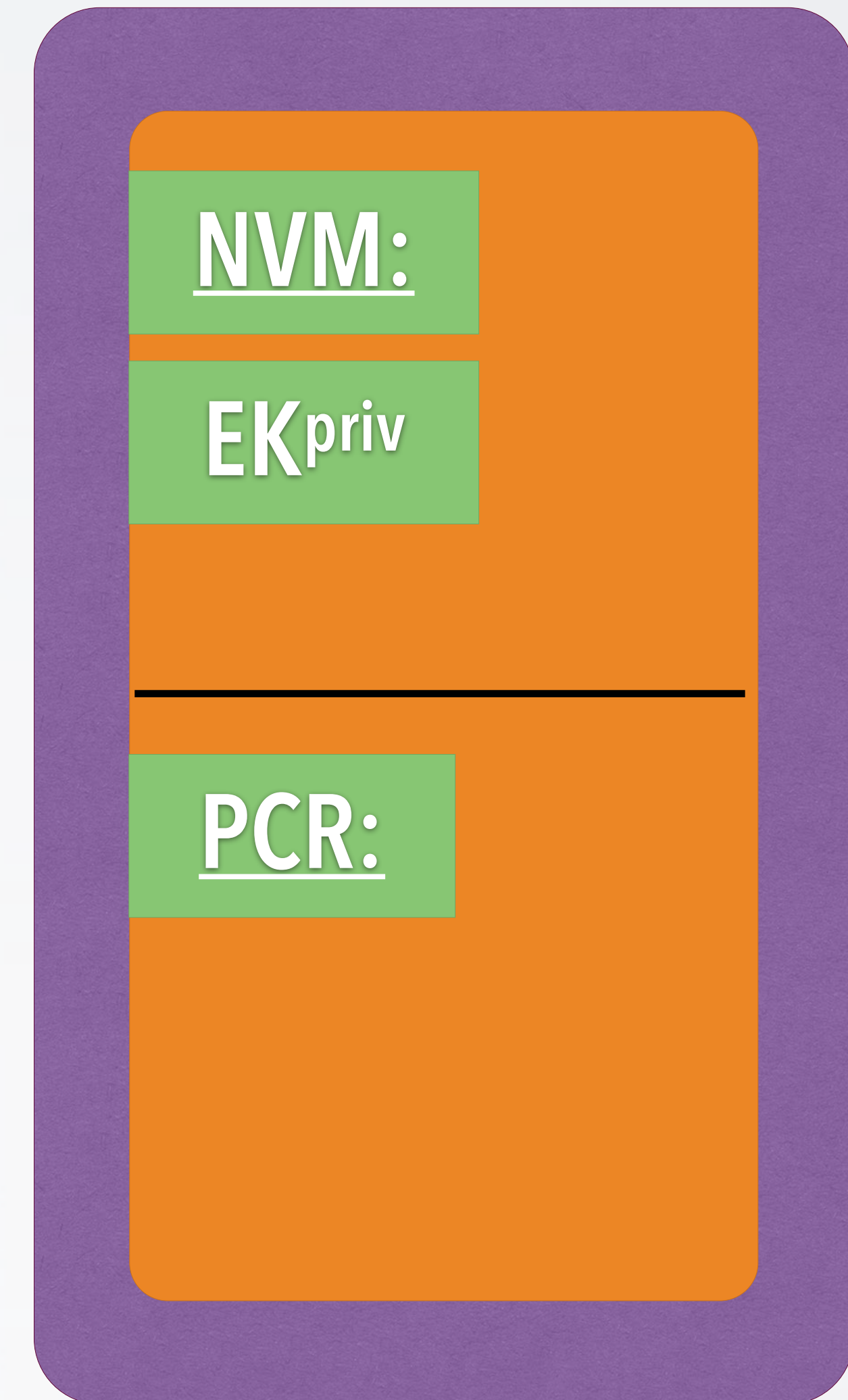
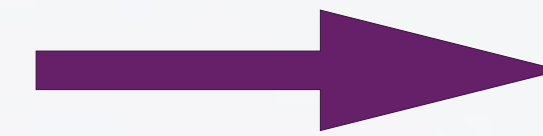
- A. Preparation by TRB and OS Vendors
- B. Booting & "Measuring"
- C. Remote attestation

Tamperresistant Black Box(TRB)





TRB generates key pair:
„Endorsement Key“ EK_{pair}
stores EK_{priv} in TRB NVM
publishes EK_{pub}



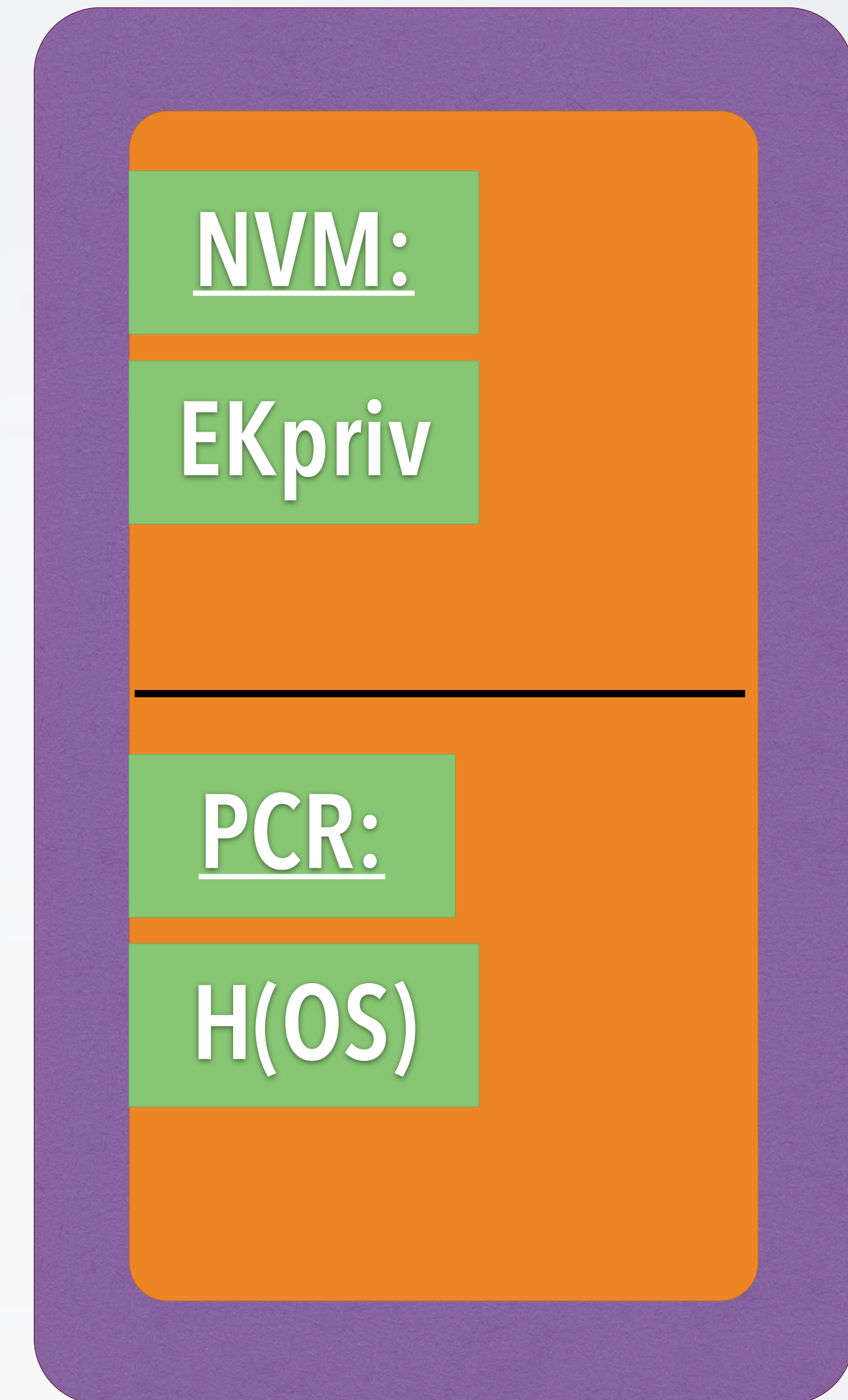
- TRB vendor certifies:
 $\{\text{"a valid EK"}, EK_{\text{pub}}\} \text{TRB_Vendor}_{\text{priv}}$
- OS-Vendor certifies:
 $\{\text{"a valid OS"}, H(\text{OS})\} \text{OS_Vendor}_{\text{priv}}$
- serve as identifiers:
 EK_{pub} and $H(\text{OS})$

TRB:

- resets TRB !
- measures OS code $H(OS)$
- stores $H(OS)$ in PCR

PCR not (directly) writable by OS

more later

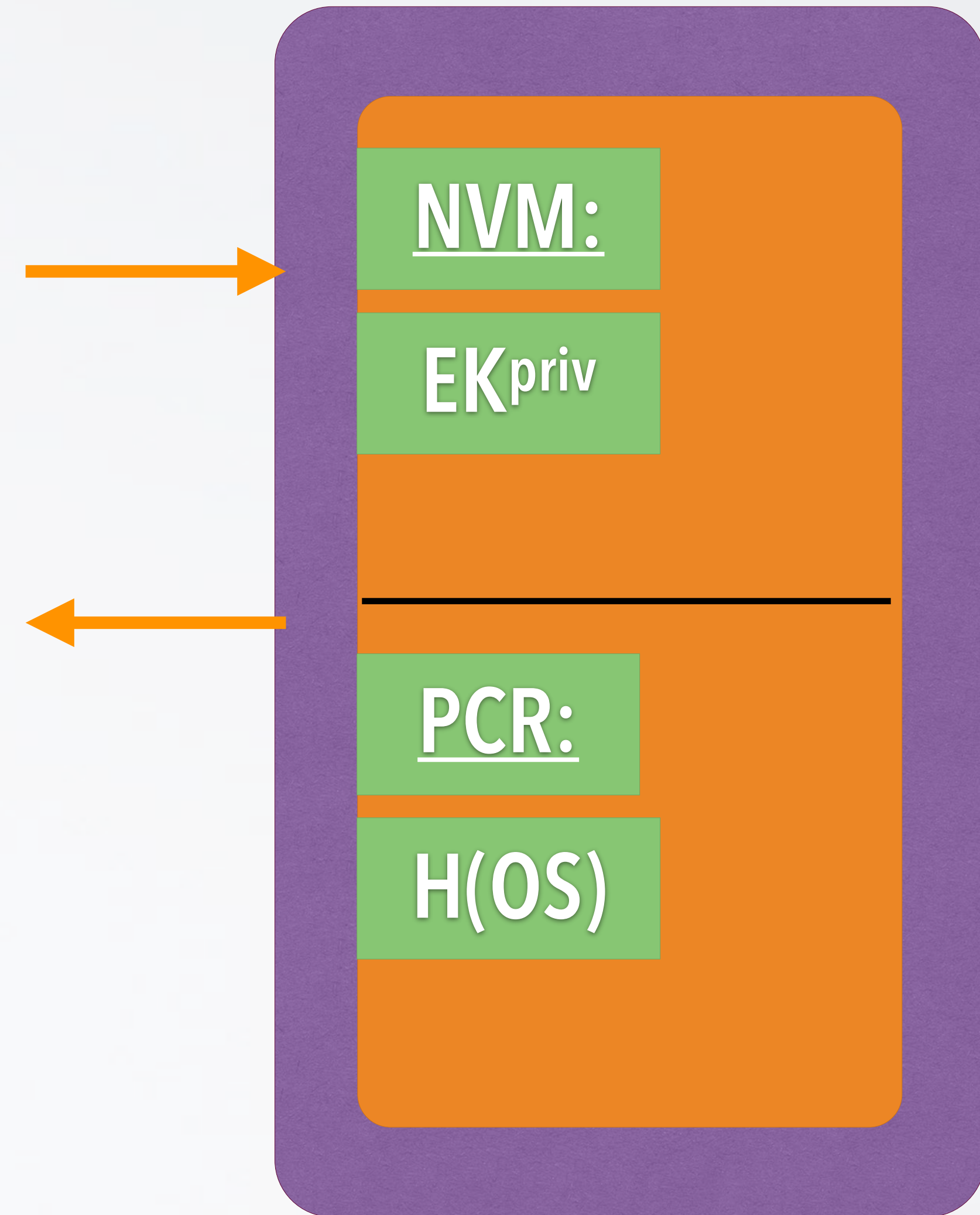


Challenge:

send NONCE

Response:

$\{\text{NONCE}', \text{PCR}\}_{\text{EK}_{\text{priv}}}$



- boot Linux
 - challenge
 - ← response "Linux"
- reboot Windows
 - send data

add one step of indirection:

create keypairs at each reboot

At booting, TRB :

- computes $H(OS)$ and stores in PCR
- creates 2 keypairs for the booted, "active" OS (like "Session key"):
 - $ActiveOSAuth_{pair}$ /* for Authentication
 - $ActiveOSCons_{pair}$ /* for Concellation
- certifies:
 $\{ ActiveOSAuthK_{pub}, ActiveOSConsK_{pub}, H(OS) \} EK_{priv}$
- hands over $ActiveOSKeys$ to booted OS

Remote Attestation:

- Challenge: nonce

- Active OS generates response:

$\{ \text{ActiveOSCons}^{\text{pub}}, \text{ActiveOSAuth}^{\text{pub}}, H(\text{OS}) \} \text{EK}^{\text{priv}}$

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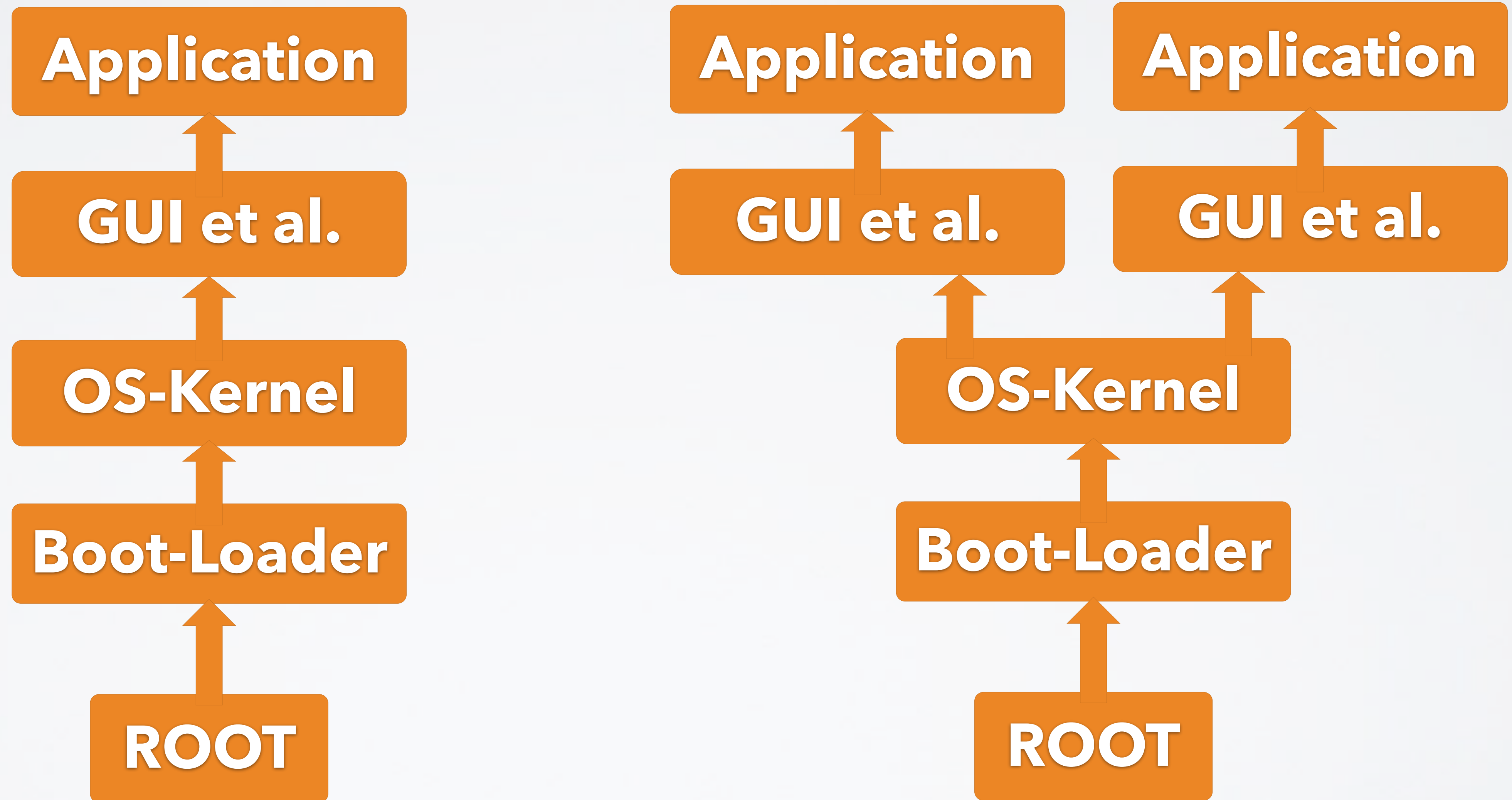
$\{ \text{nonce}' \} \text{ActiveOSAuth}^{\text{priv}}$

Secure channel:

$\{ \text{message} \} \text{ActiveOSCons}^{\text{pub}}$

- TRB can protect: EK_{priv} , PCR
OS can protect: "Active OS keys"
- Rebooting destroys content of
 - PCR
 - Memory Holding "Active OS keys"

Software Stacks and Trees



2 Concerns:

- Very large Trusted Computing Base for Booting (including Device Drivers etc)
- Remote attestation of one process (leaf in tree)

“Extend” Operation:

- stack: $PCR_n = H(PCR_{n-1} \parallel \text{next-component})$
- tree: difficult (hearsay, unpublished ?)

Key pairs per step:

- OS controls applications → generate key pair per application
- OS certifies
 - { Application 1, App1Kpub } ActiveOS_{priv}
 - { Application 2, App2Kpub } ActiveOS_{priv}

Problem: huge Software to boot system !!!

- Use arbitrary SW to start system and load all SW
- provide specific instruction to enter "secure mode"
 - set HW in specific state (stop all processors, IO, ...)
 - Measure "root of trust" SW and store in PCR
- AMD: "skinit" (Hash) arbitrary root of trust
- Intel: "senter" (must be signed by chip set manufacturer)

Goal:

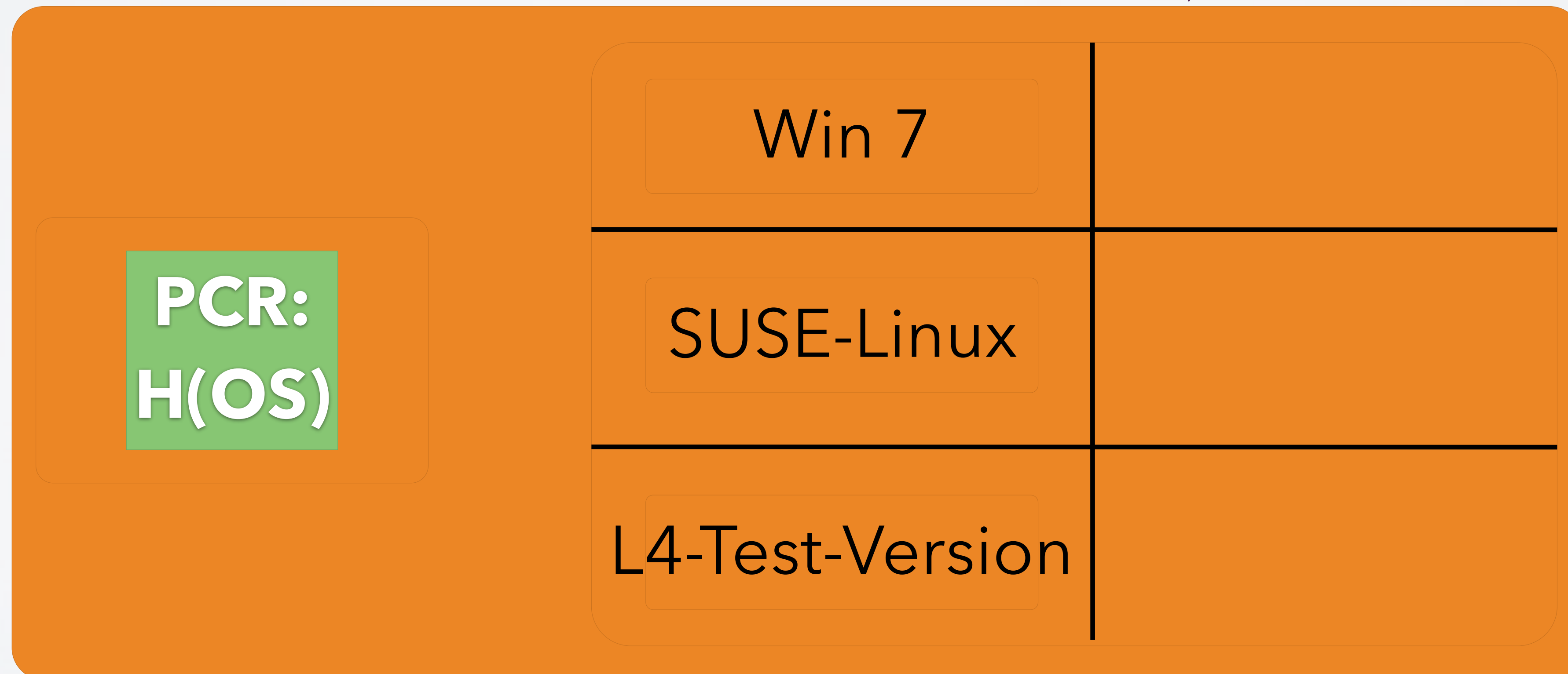
- Send information using secure channels
- Bind that information to Software configuration
- Work offline:
How to store information in the absence of communication channels?
- For example DRM:
bind encryption keys to specific machine, specific OS

Sealed Memory Principle

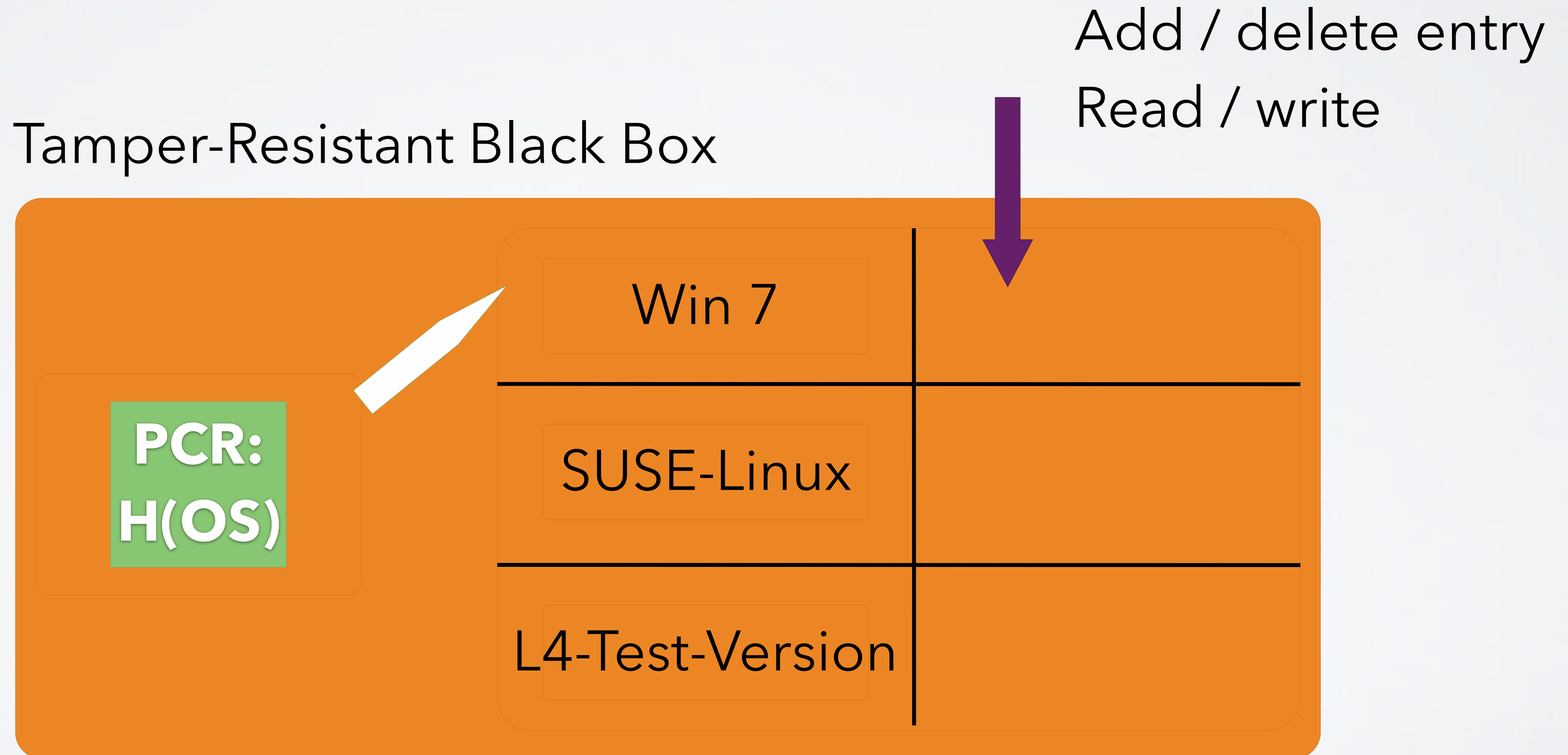
Tamper-Resistant Black Box

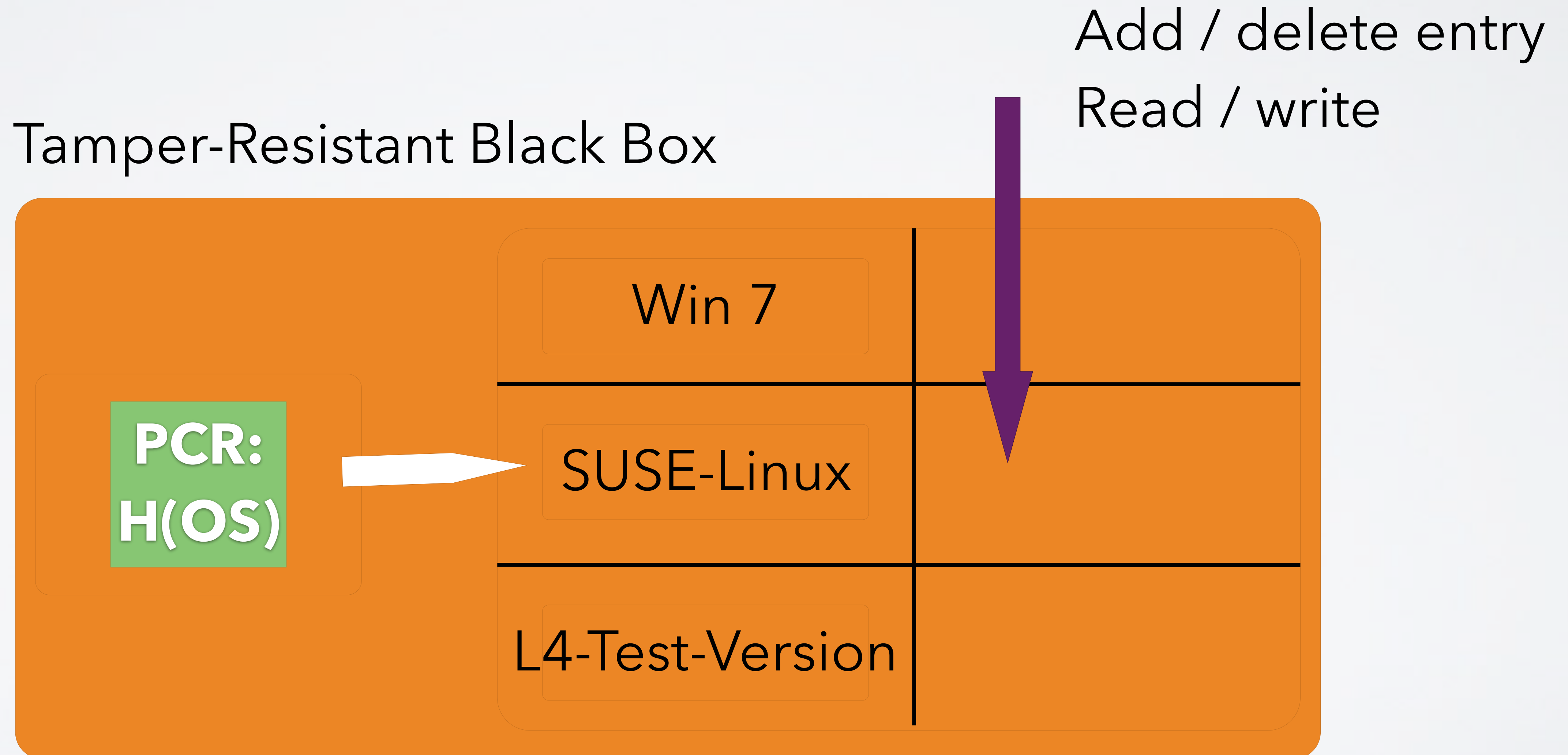


Add / delete entry
Read / write

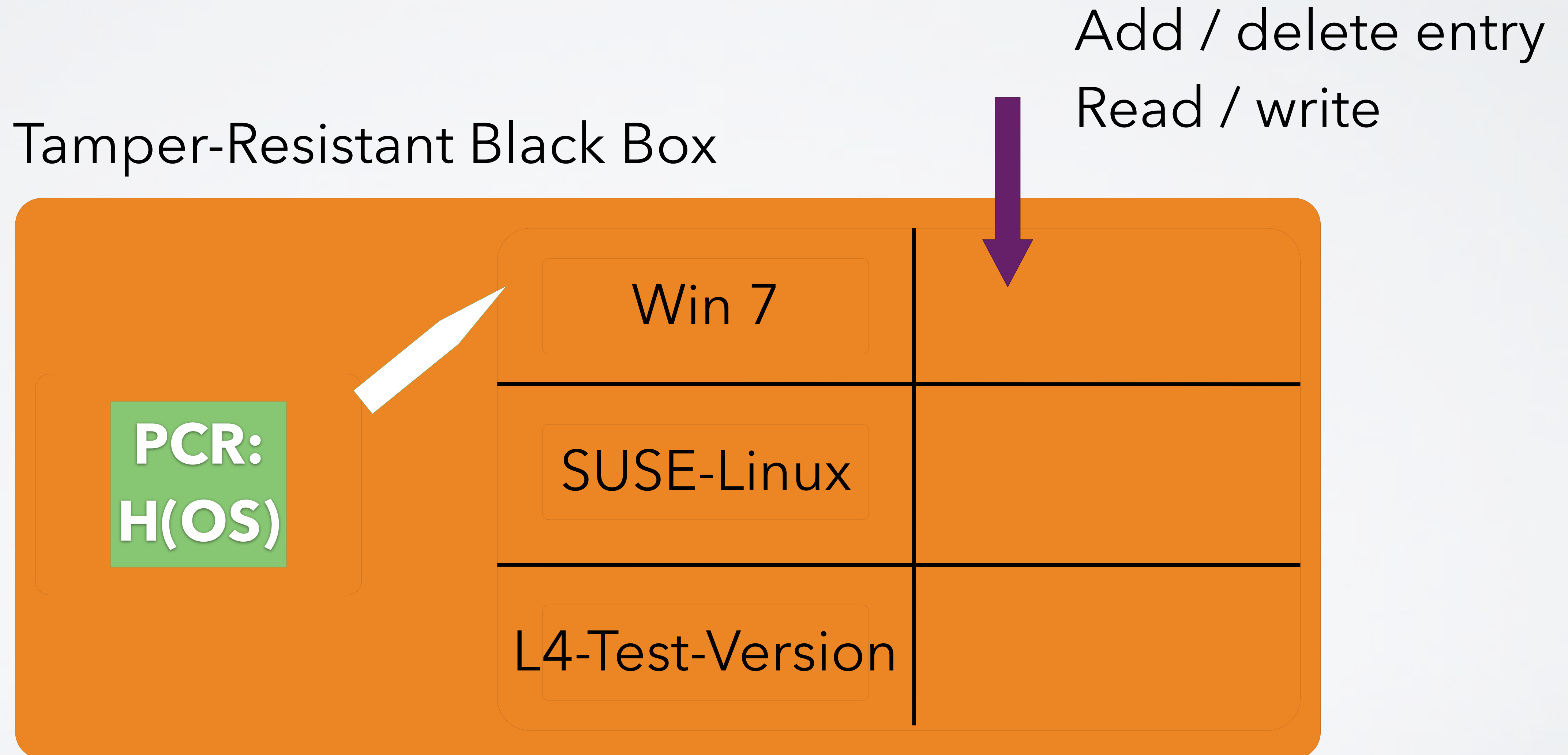


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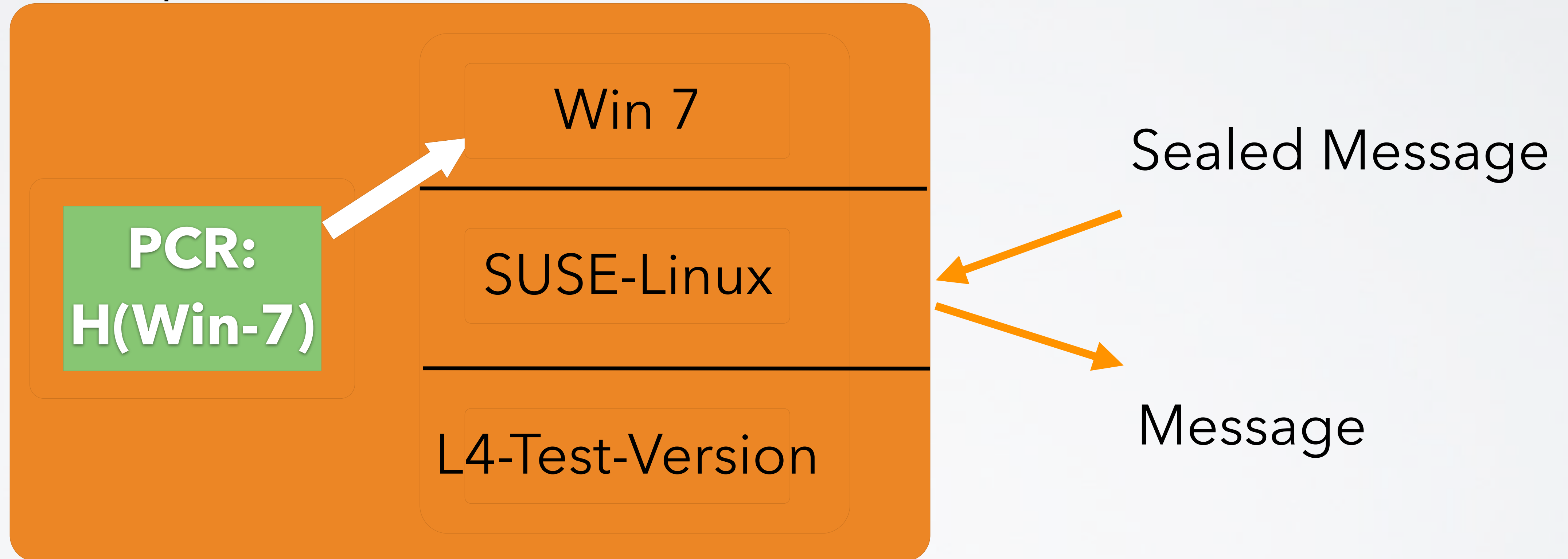




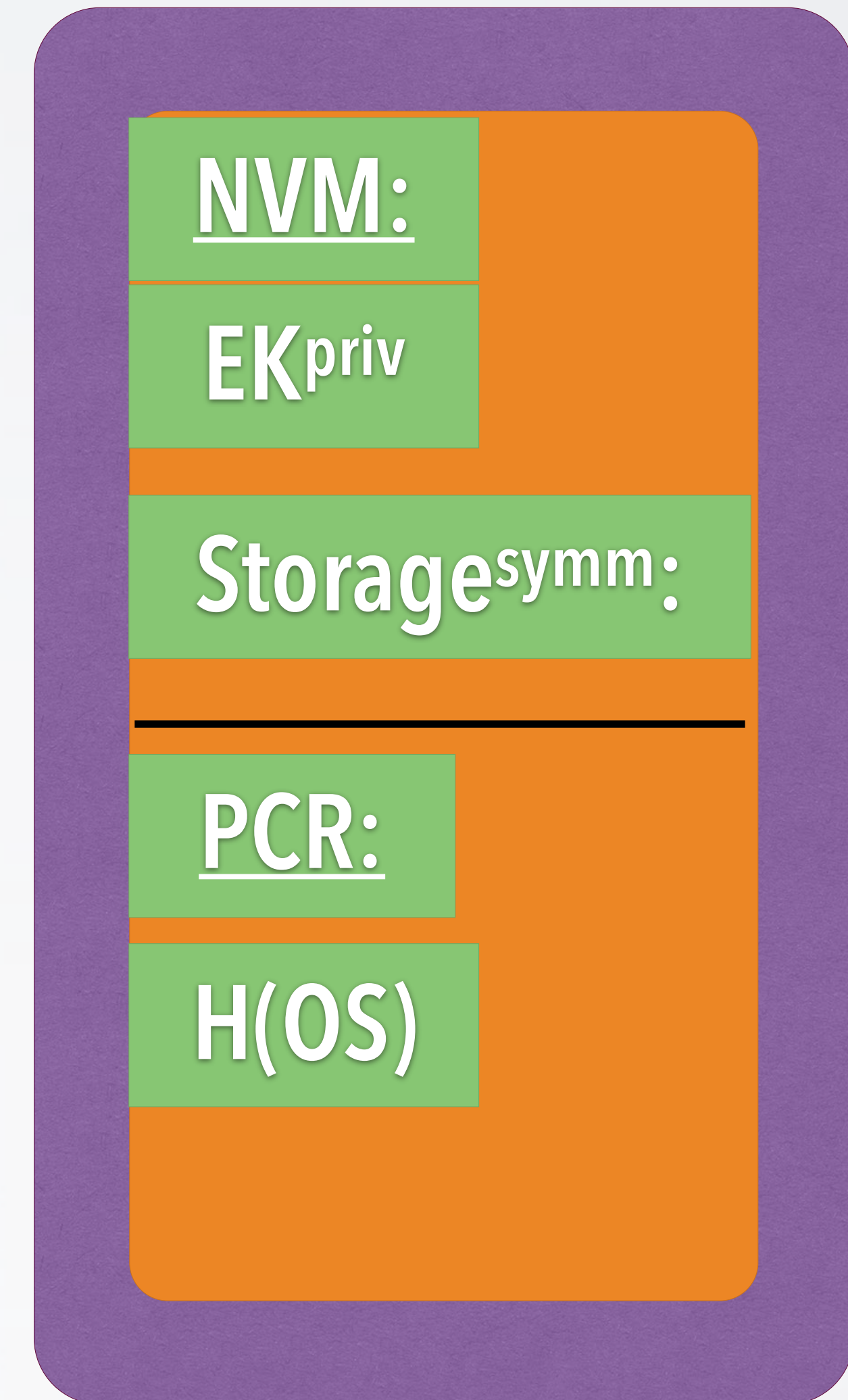
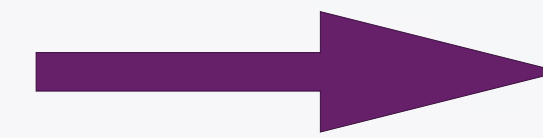
Sealed Memory Principle



Tamper-resistant black box



TRB generates
symmetric Storage Key
never leaves chip



Seal(message):

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encrypt("PCR, message", S) → "sealed_message";  
emit sealed_message
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Unseal(sealed_message):

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decrypt(sealed_message, S) → "SealTime_PCR,message";  
If SealTime_PCR == PCR  
  then emit message  
  else abort
```


Seal(message, FUTURE_Config):

```
encrypt("FUTURE_Config, message", S) → "sealed_message";  
emit sealed_message
```

"seals" information such that it can be unsealed by a future configuration

(for example: future OS version)

- Win8: Seal („SonyOS, Sony-Secret“)
→ SealedMessage (store it on disk)
- L4: Unseal (SealedMessage)
→ SonyOS, Sony-Secret
→ PCR#SonyOS
→ abort
- SonyOS: Unseal(SealedMessage
→ SonyOS, Sony-Secret
→ PCR==SonyOS

Ideally, includes CPU, Memory, ...

Current practice

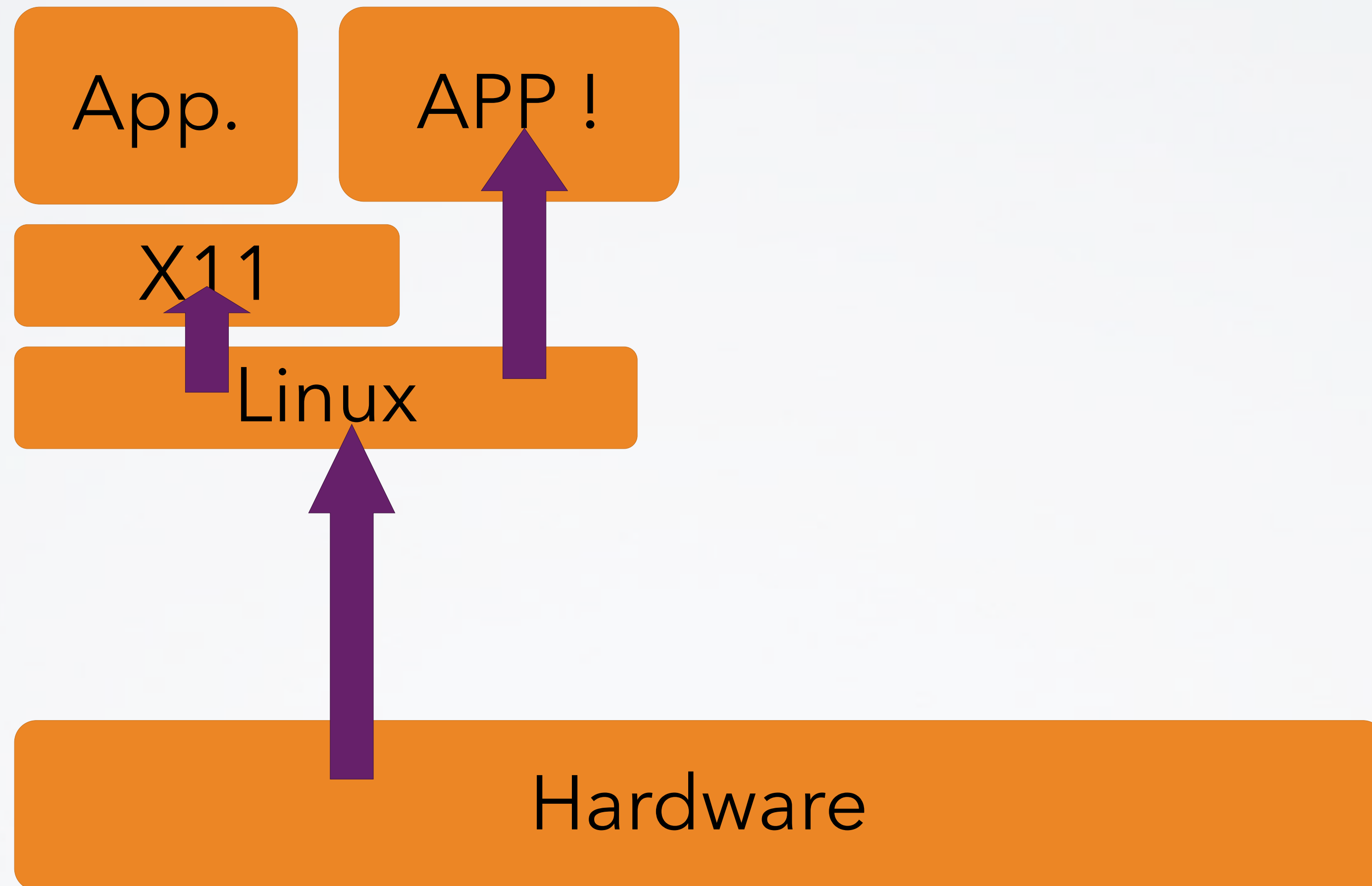
- Additional physical protection, for example IBM 4758 ...
look it up in Wikipedia
- HW support:
 - TPM:
separate “Trusted Platform Modules” (replacing BIOS breaks TRB)
 - Add a new privilege mode: ARM TrustZone
 - raise to user processes: Intel SGX

Principle Method:

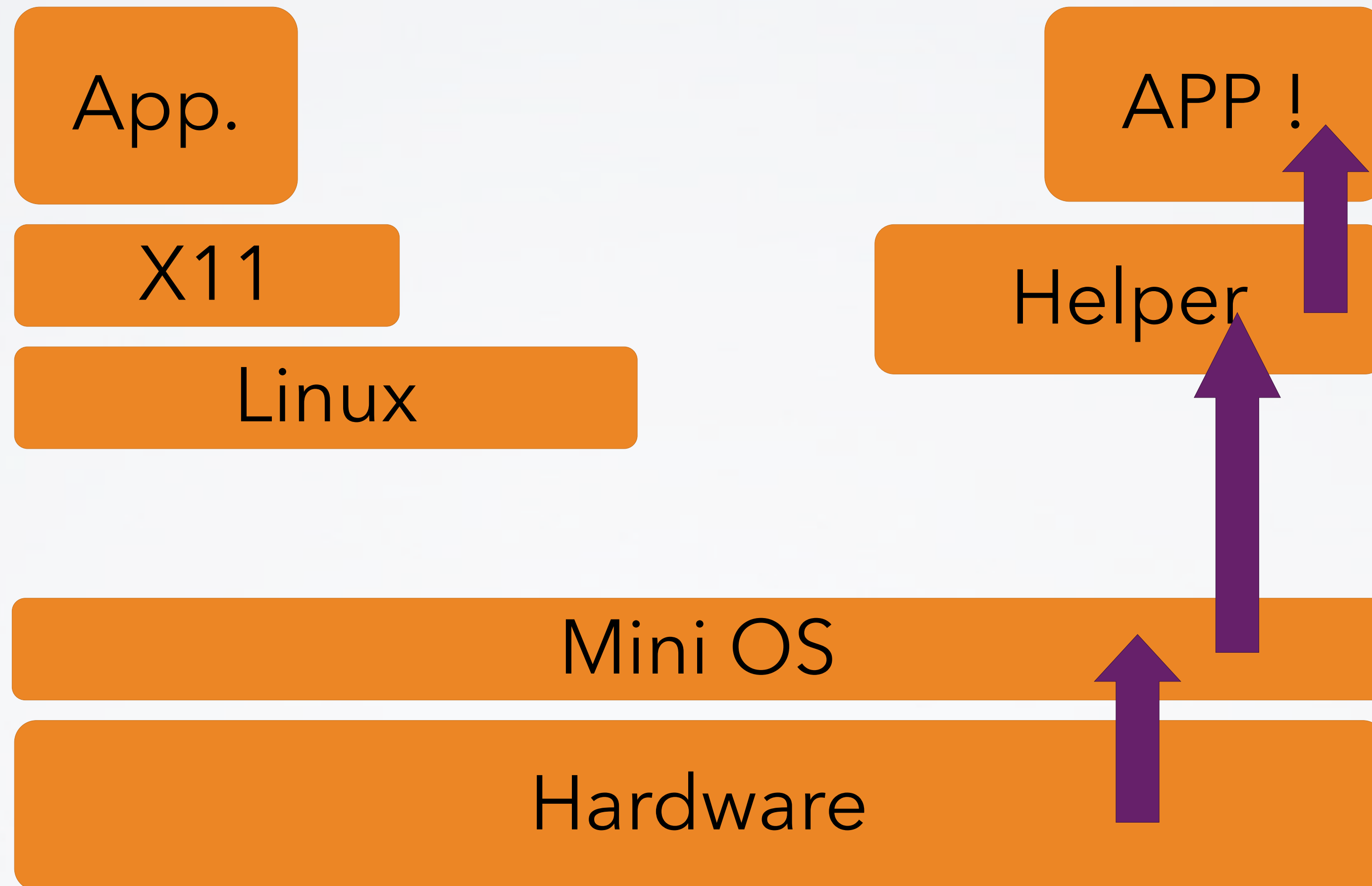
separate critical Software

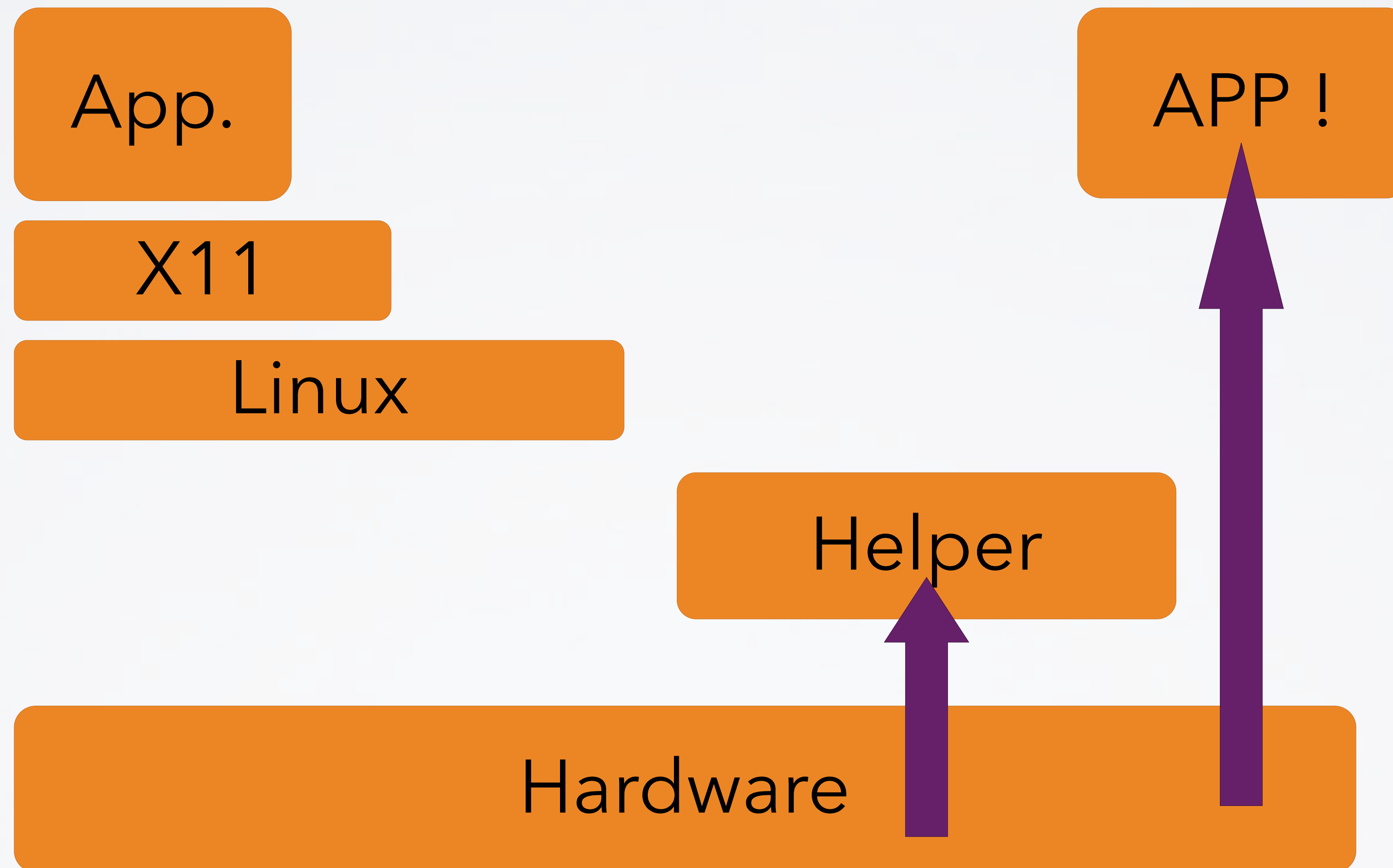
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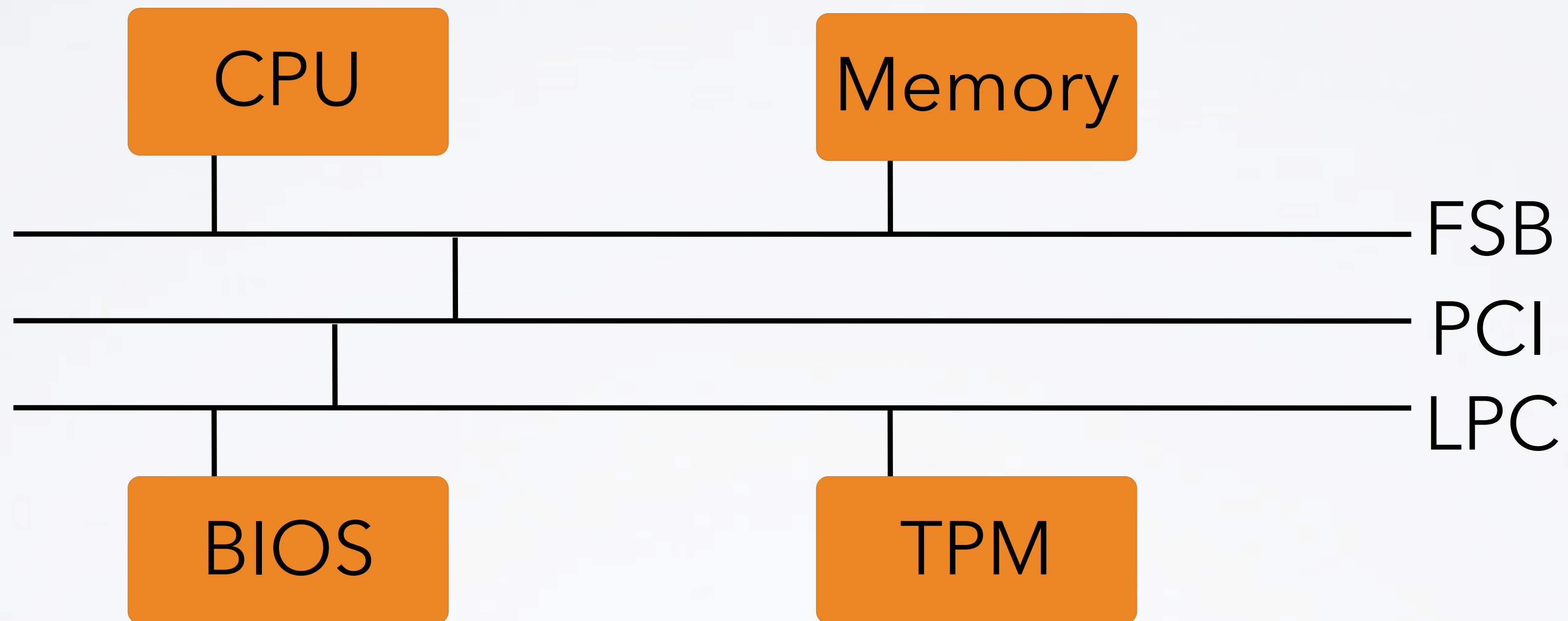
- Small OS kernels
micro kernels, separation kernels,
- Hardware/Microcode Support

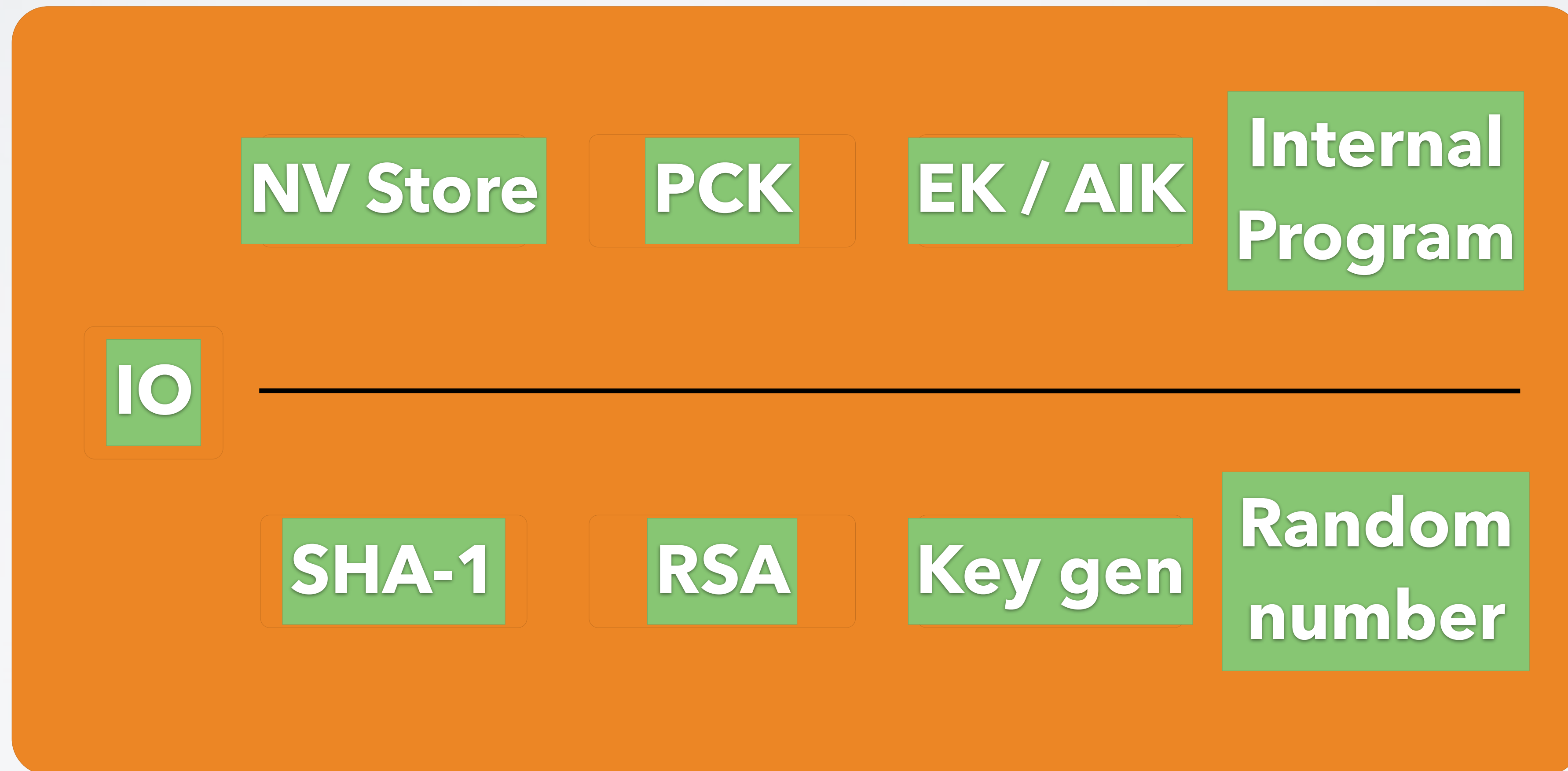


Small Trusted Computing Base

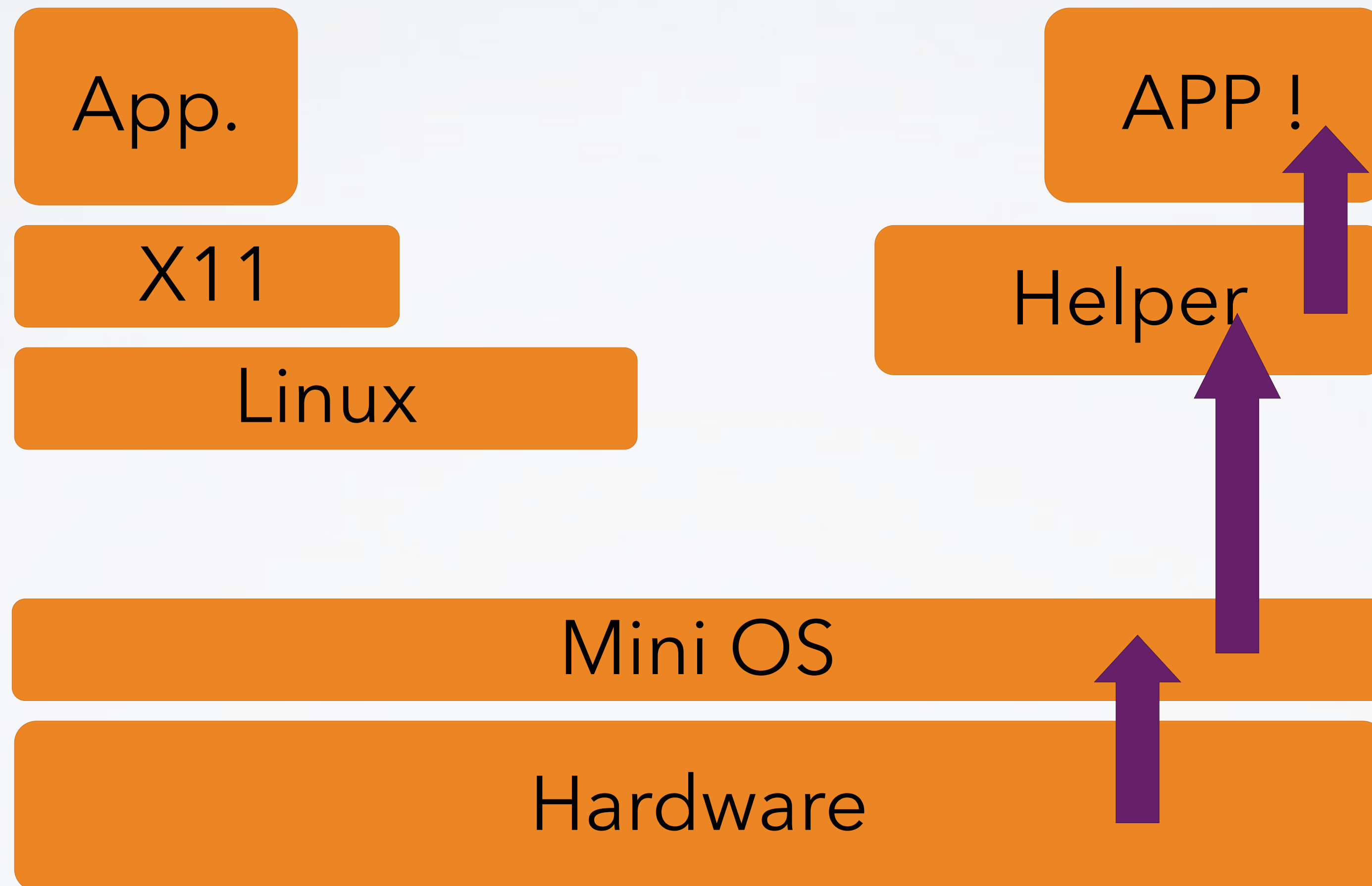


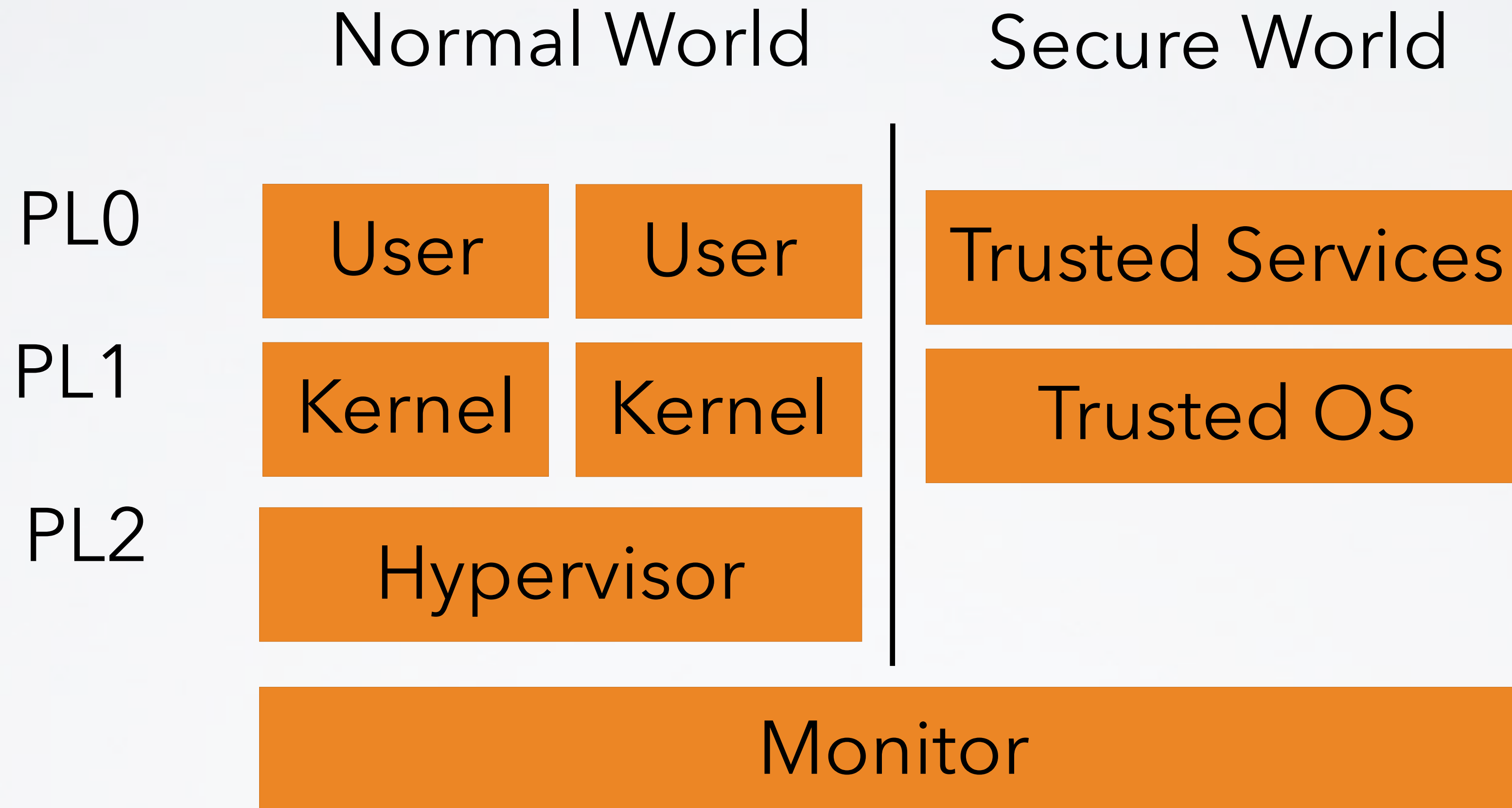


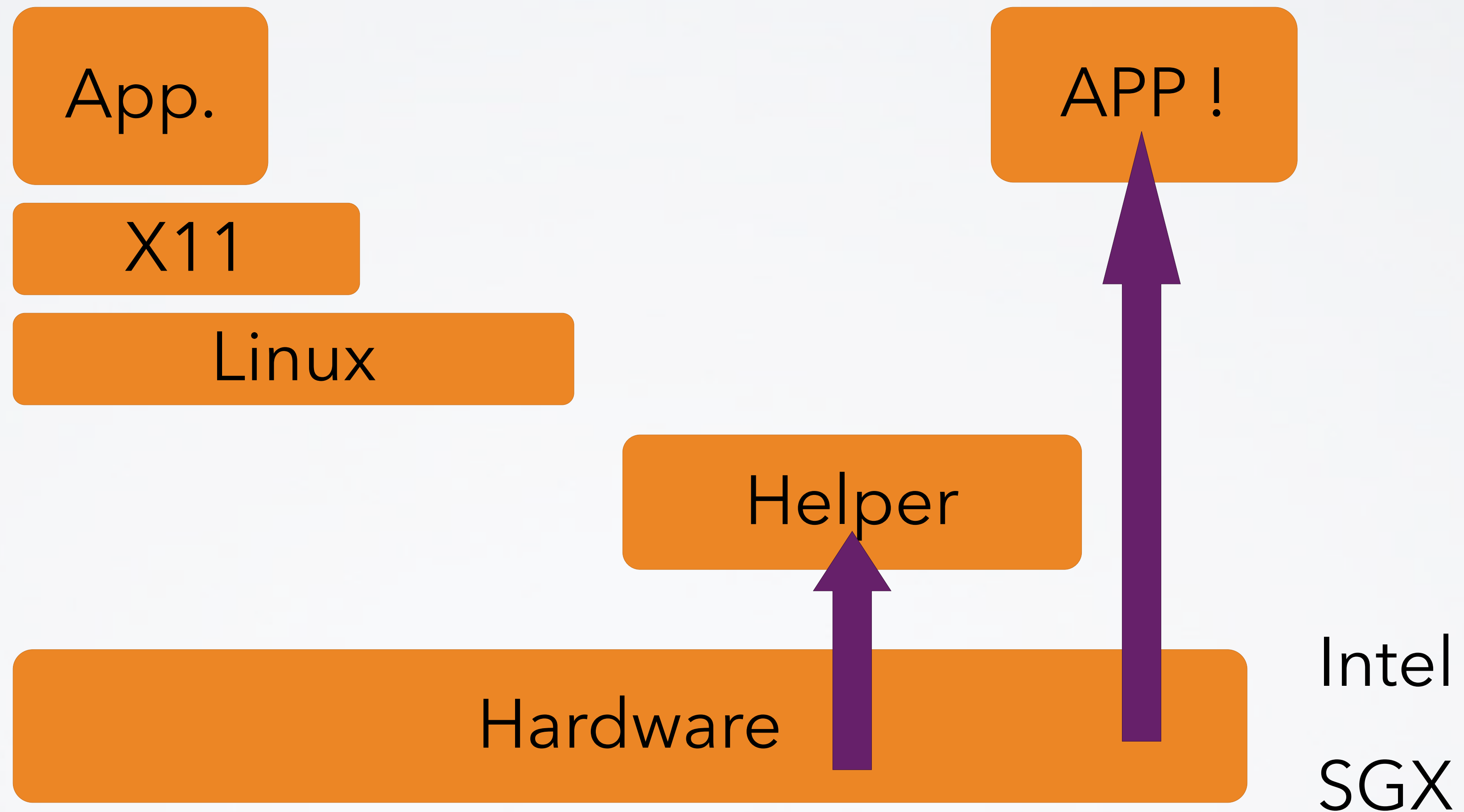


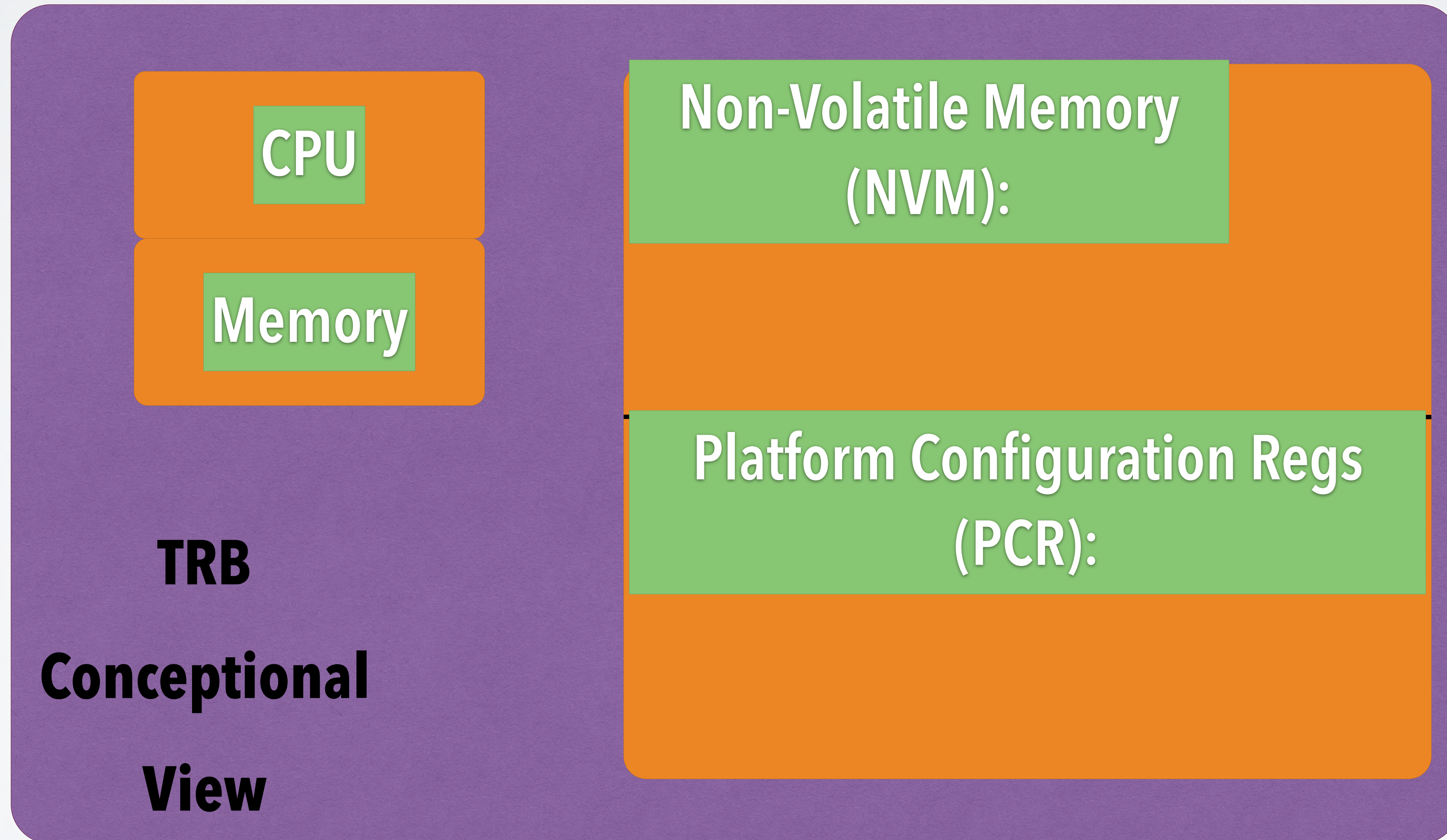


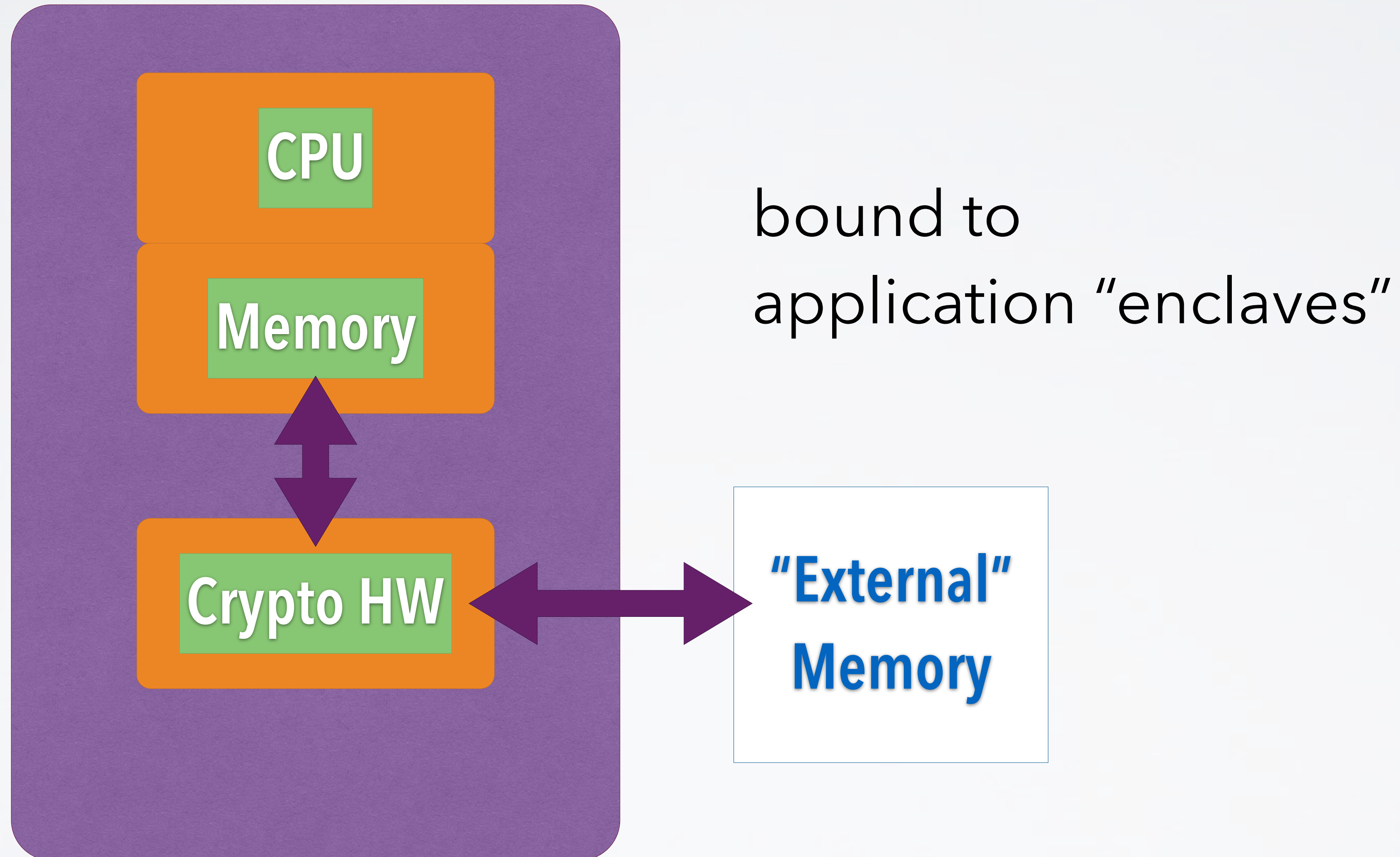
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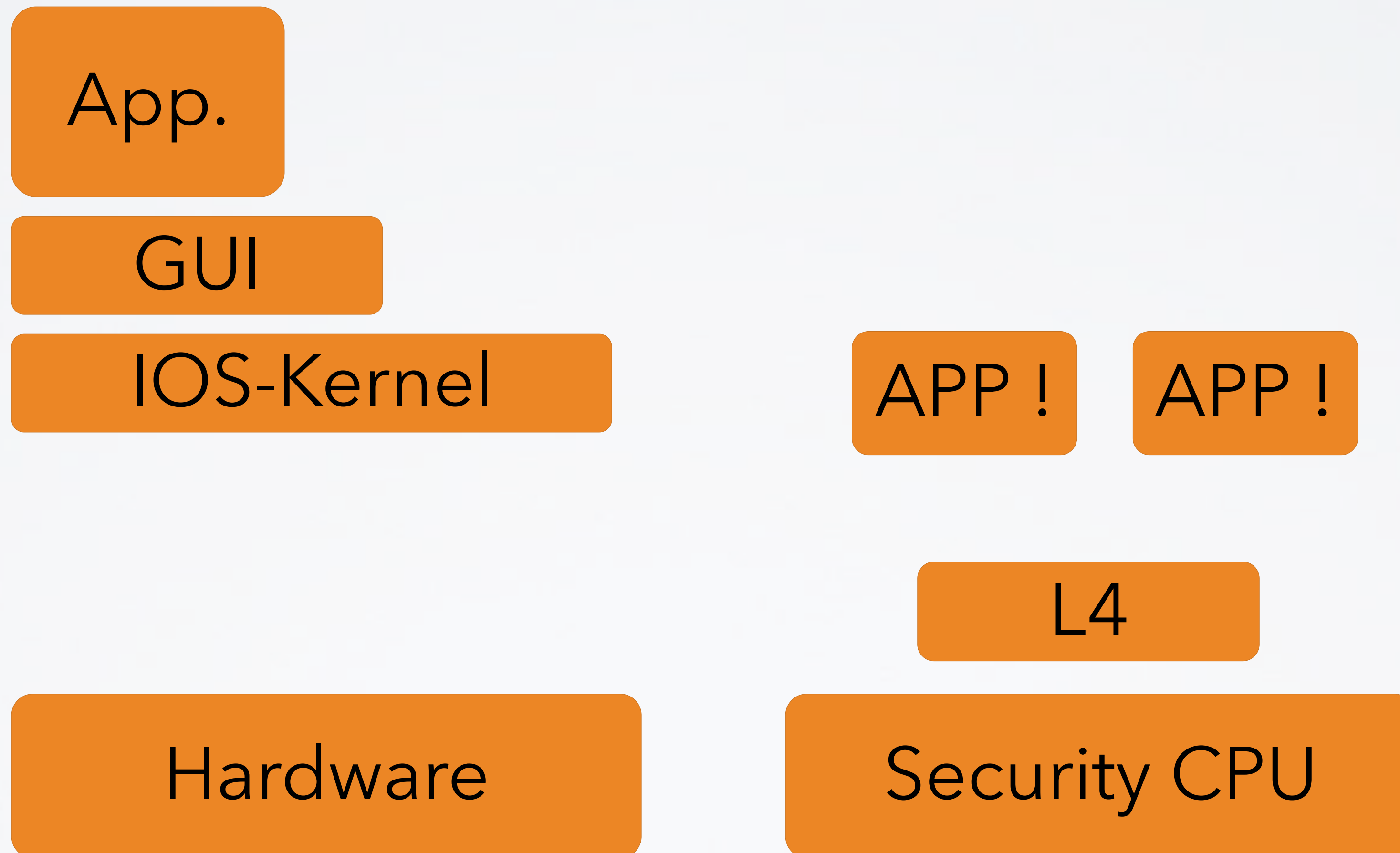






“Enclaves” for Applications:

- established per special new instruction
- measured by HW
- provide controlled entry points
- resource management via untrusted OS



Important Foundational Paper:

Authentication in distributed systems: theory and practice

Butler Lampson, Martin Abadi, Michael Burrows, Edward
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ACM Transactions on Computer Systems (TOCS)

- TCG Specifications:https://www.trustedcomputinggroup.org/groups/TCG_1_3_Architecture_Overview.pdf
- ARM Trustzone & Intel SGX
vendor sources