

Property-Based TPM Virtualization



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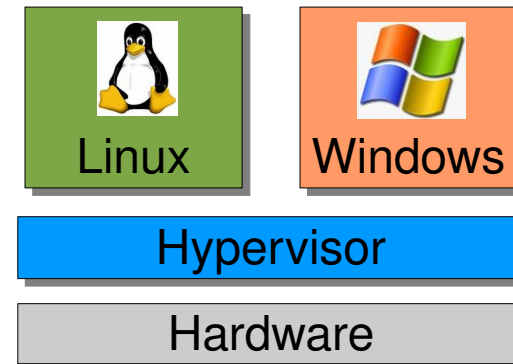
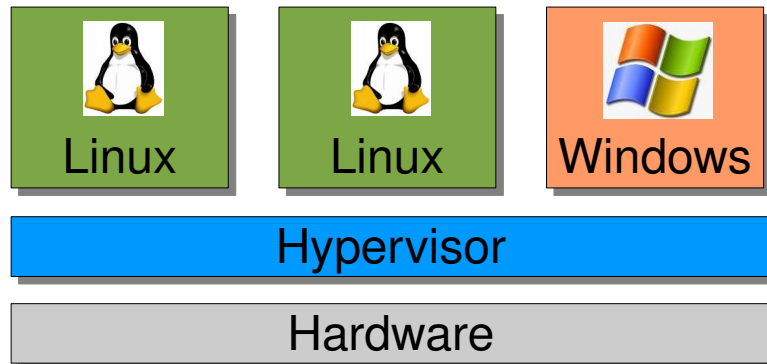
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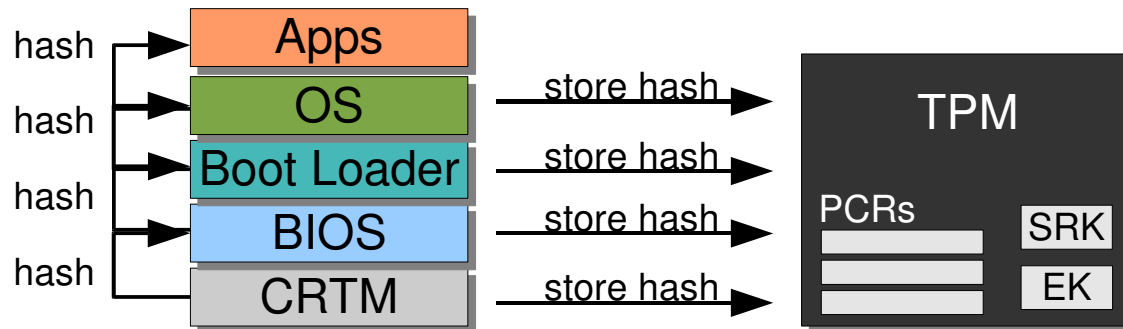
Introduction: Virtualization

- Features
 - Commodity operating systems on various hardware platforms
 - Virtual machines: suspend & resume, migration
 - Security: isolation of virtual machines
 - Application scenario: corporate/private computing
 - Isolated work loads for private and corporate working
 - Isolated work loads for different security levels



Introduction: Trusted Computing (TPM)

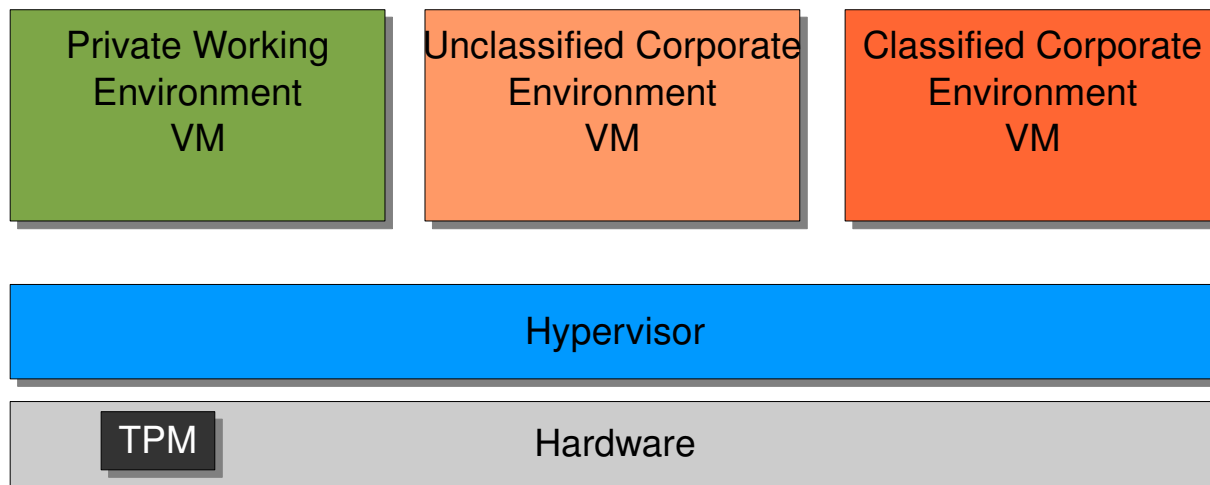
- **TPM**: cheap, tamper-evident hardware security module
 - Cryptographic functions (RSA, SHA-1, key generation, RNG)
 - Protected storage for small data (e.g. keys)
 - Special keys: Endorsement Key (EK) and Storage Root Key (SRK)
- **Authenticated Boot** (recording integrity measurements)
 - Measurements stored in Platform Configuration Registers (PCRs)
 - Each component measures next component (*chain of trust*)



- **Attestation and Sealing**
 - Attestation Identity Key (AIK) signs PCRs for (remote) attestation
 - Binding key is used to encrypt data to the current PCR values (decrypting only possible with same PCR states)

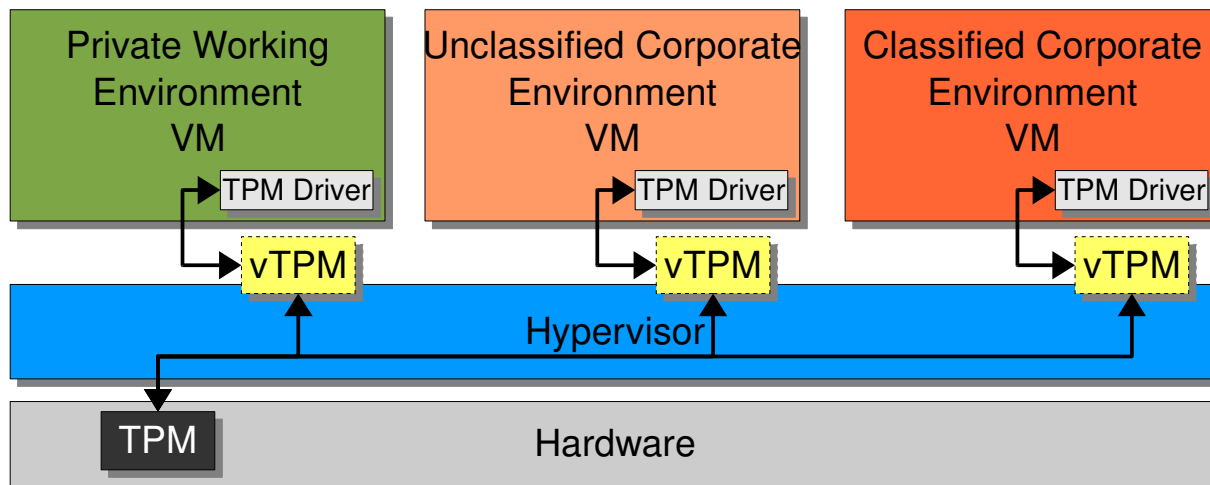
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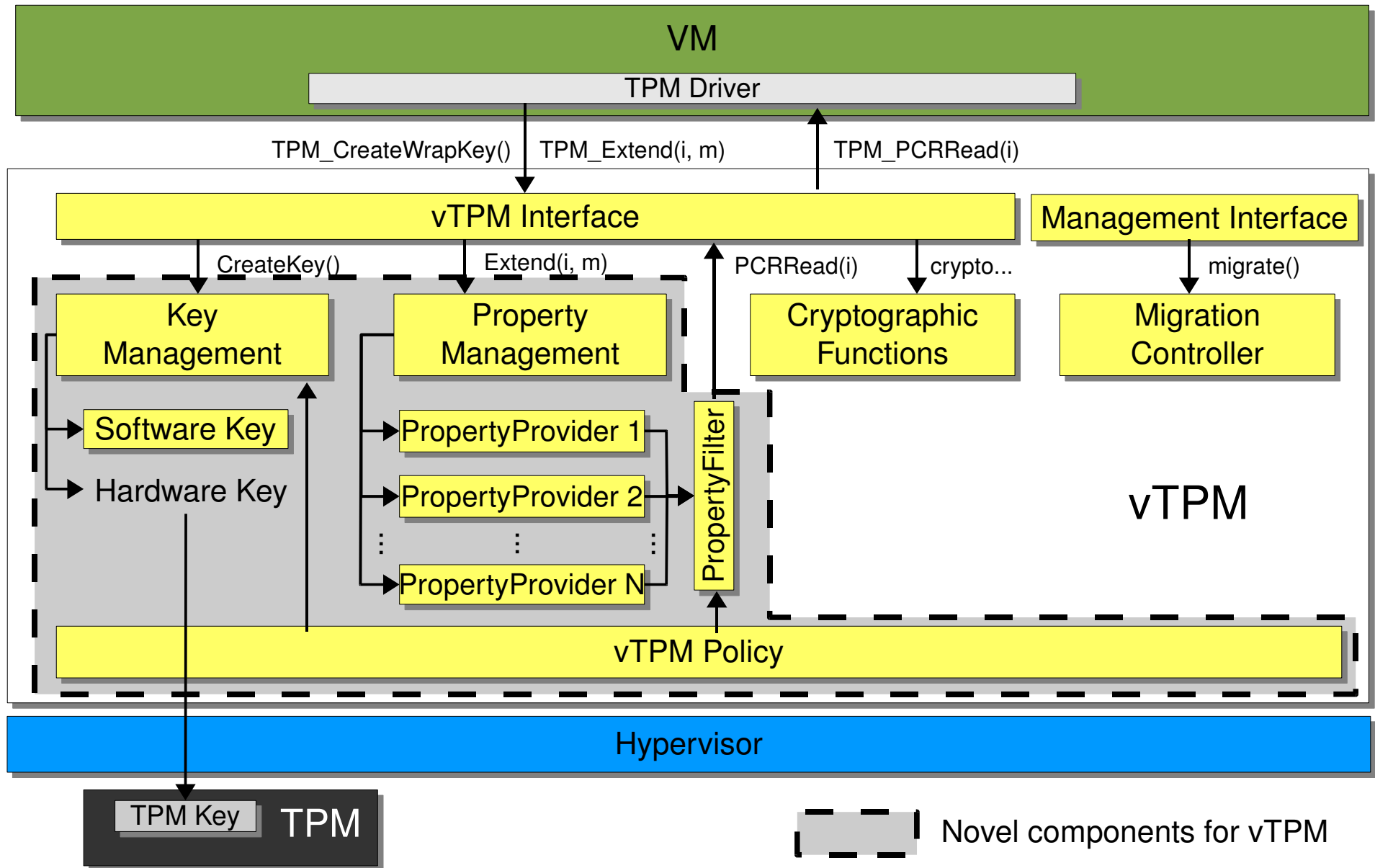
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- **Virtualization of the TPM**
 - Emulation in software, but binding to VM and hardware TPM
 - Berger et al. (USENIX 2006), Scarlata et al. (2007)



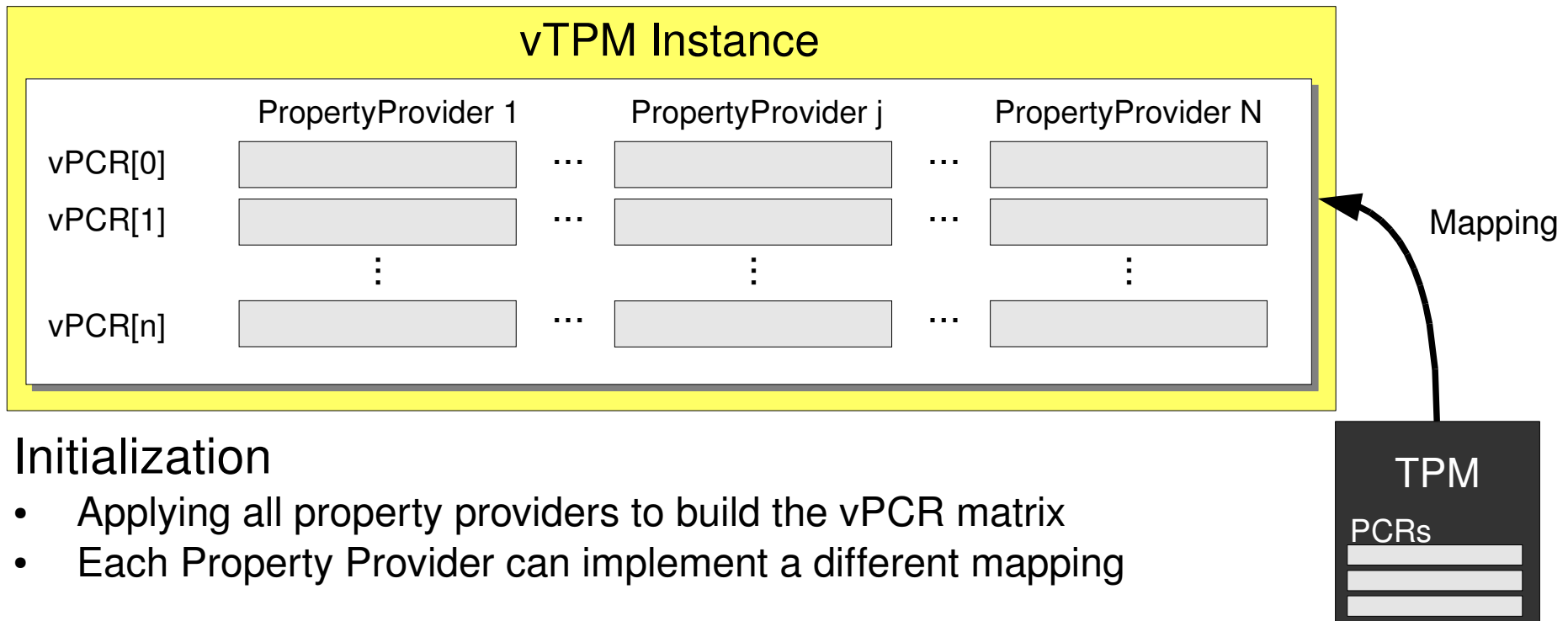
- Migration
 - Protected data bound to binary representation of hypervisor
 - VM's data may be unavailable after migration to another platform
- Keys
 - Differentiated strategies for key generation missing
 - some IT environments demand hardware-protected keys
 - whereas others would benefit from flexibility of software keys
- Privacy
 - Revealing information about system configuration
 - (v)TPM reveals information during remote attestation of PCR values
 - Profiling (security risk) and discrimination possible

- Adding new components to internal vTPM design:
- Property Management
 - Representation of virtual PCRs
 - Different mechanisms to store and read values
 - Realizing property-based attestation and sealing
- Key Management
 - Creating and loading cryptographic keys
 - Supports software keys or keys of physical TPM
- vTPM Policy
 - User-defined policy of the vTPM instance

Flexible vTPM Architecture



- Each property provider has its own PCR vector
 - How to store values is up to each implementation
 - This results in a matrix of vPCRs
 - vTPM Policy decides which vector to use on which operation



- Initialization
 - Applying all property providers to build the vPCR matrix
 - Each Property Provider can implement a different mapping

Changing the Measurement Function

- PCR extension function of the TPM:

$$\text{Extend}(i, m): \text{PCR}_i \leftarrow \text{SHA1}(\text{PCR}_i \parallel m)$$

- Generalizing this for each Provider_j:

$$\text{Provider}_j.\text{Extend}(i,m): \text{vPCR}_{i,j} \leftarrow \text{translate}_j(\text{vPCR}_{i,j}, m)$$

- Examples:

- $\text{translate}_{\text{hash}}()$ is hashing like in hardware TPM
- $\text{translate}_{\text{cert}}()$ looks for a certificate and stores the public key

PCR Extension: Example

VM-OS measures a file and wants to extend the measurement in PCR 10 of the vTPM

↓
TPM_Extend(10, f572d396fae9206628714fb2ce00f72e94f2258f)

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Property Management of vTPM instance calls each Property Provider

vPCR_{10,hash} of Provider_{hash}

09d2af8dd22201dd8d48e5dcfcaed281ff9422c7

vPCR_{10,hash} := SHA1(vPCR_{10,hash} ||
f572d396fae9206628714fb2ce00f72e94f2258f)

vPCR_{10,hash} :

3a2fdfb2e10d4286a56715952340177c508b173c

vPCR_{10,cert} of Provider_{cert}

PK_{certA}

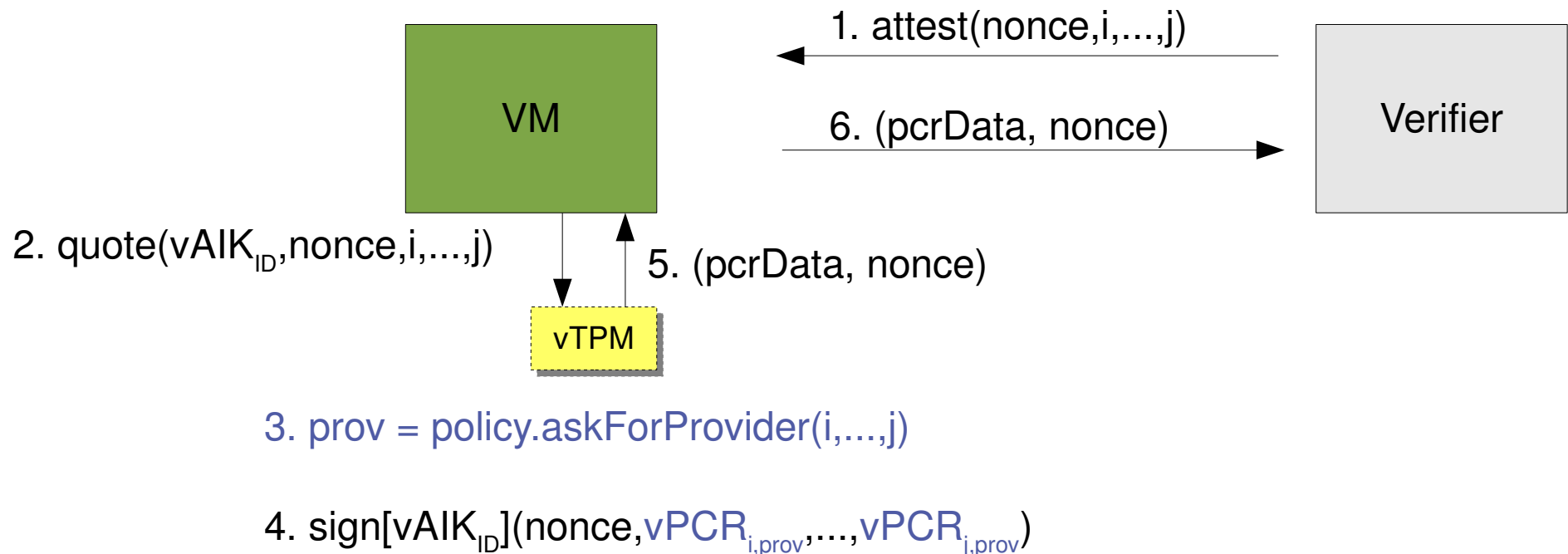
Look for cert for hash f572d....
If found one (e.g., certB), add its PK

vPCR_{10,cert} :

PK_{certA}, PK_{certB}

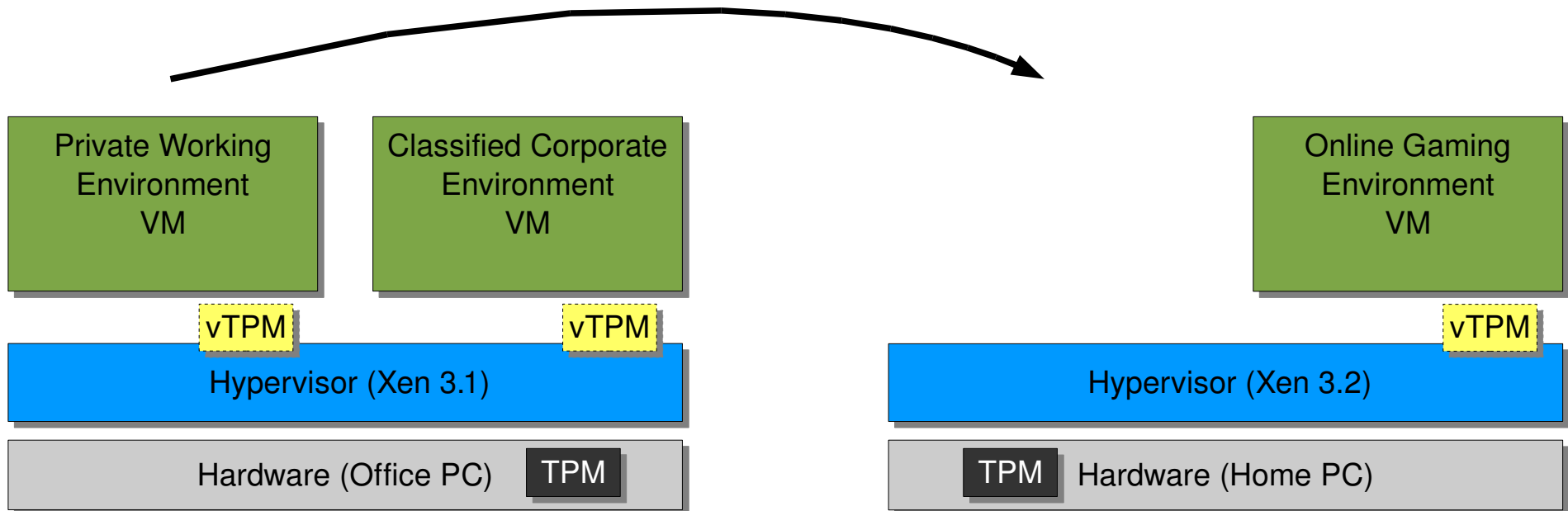
Property-Based Attestation with vTPM

- $\text{Provider}_{\text{cert}}$ is one example to use property certificates
 - Certificates describe the properties for a particular measurement
 - Issued by a Trusted Third Party



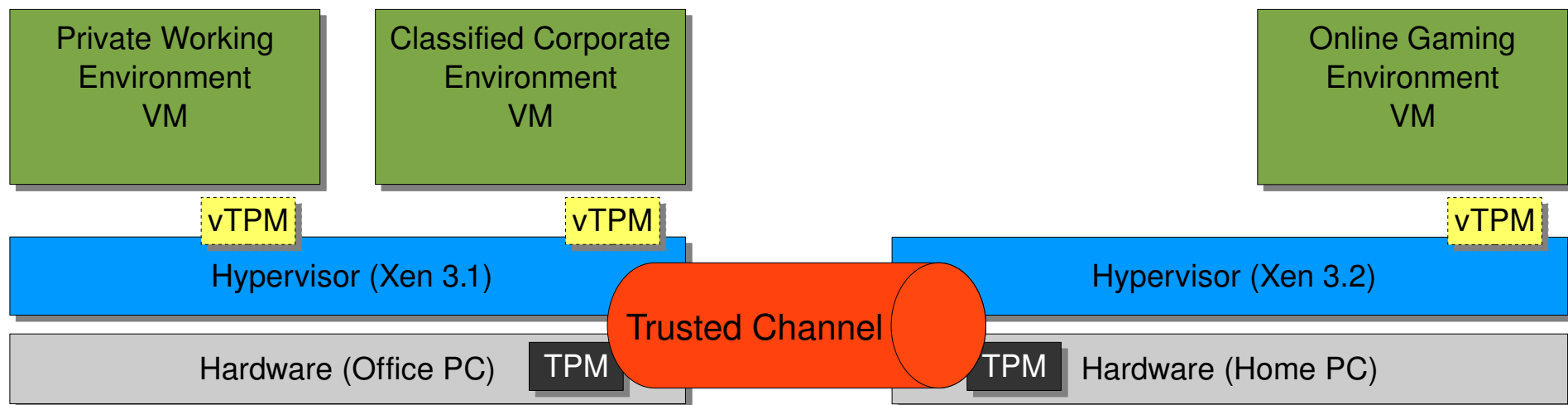
Migration of VM and vTPM

- Secure migration needed
(confidentiality, integrity, authenticity)
- Example: move private working environment to home PC



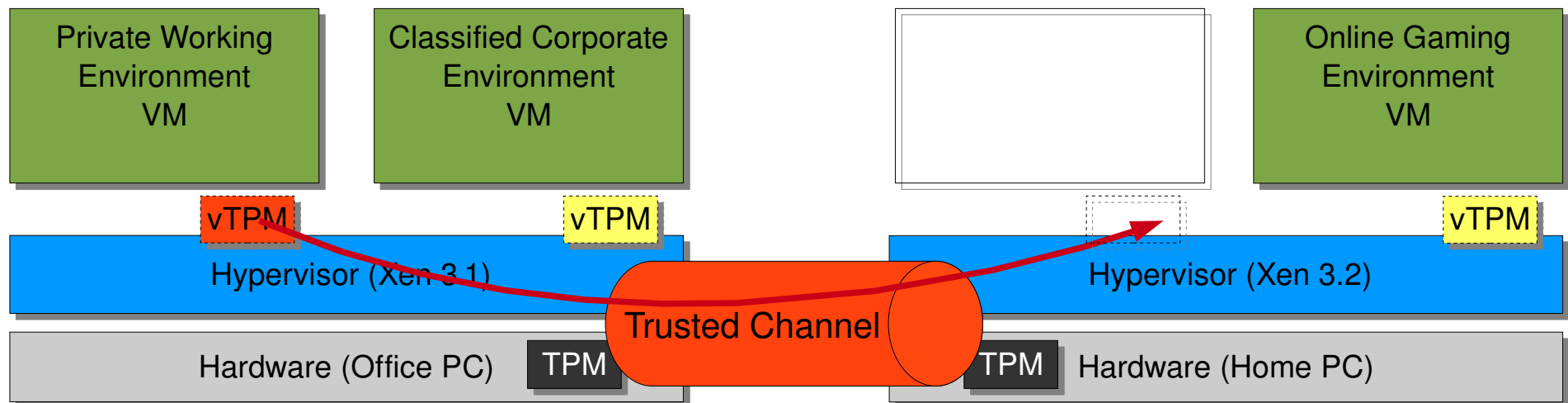
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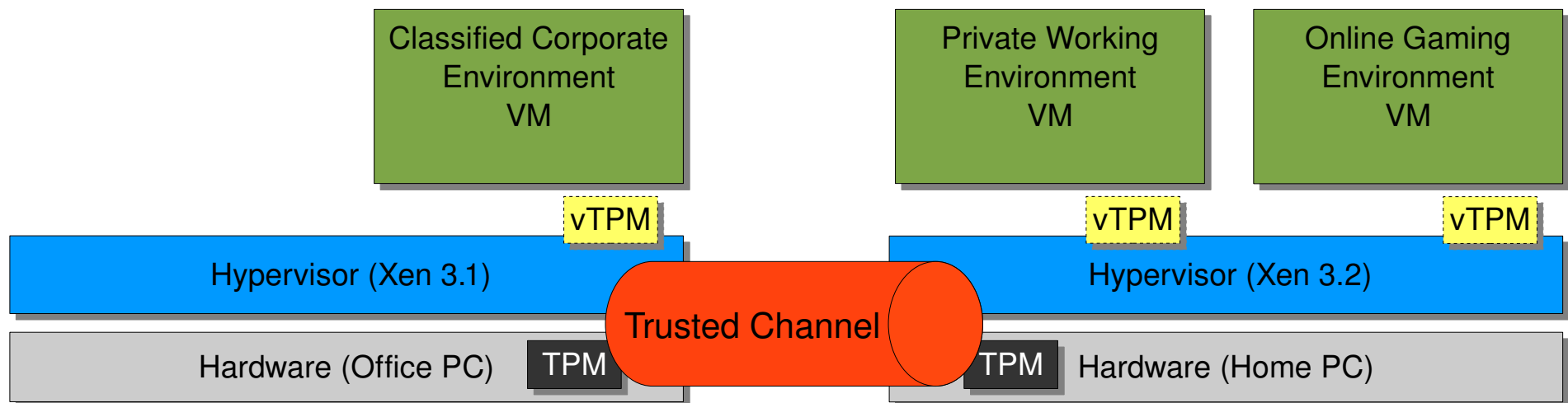
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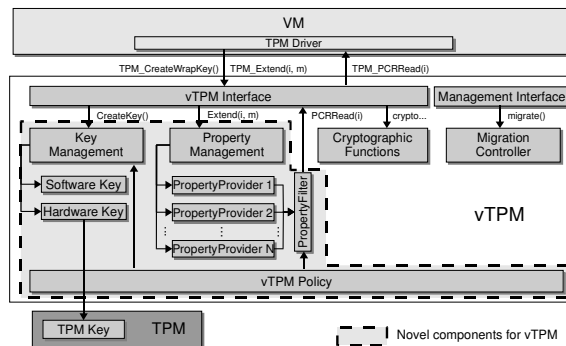
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New vTPM Design

- Property Providers
- Key Management
- vTPM Policy

- Allows to link hypervisor to vTPM based on properties
 - Availability of sealed data after migration or software updates
 - Trusted Migration protocol ensures binding to trustworthy platform
- More flexibility in key usage
 - Key Management can delegate key requests to hardware TPM
- User-defined policy decides which information to reveal
 - Policy defines which Property Provider to use on attestation

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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BACKUP

Property-Based Sealing

```
vTPMk.Seal(vBindkeyID, [i,...,j], data):  
  provider := vTPMPolicy.askForProvider([i,...,j]);  
  FOR l := i TO j DO propl := provider.PCRRead(l);  
  pk := KeyManagement.getPublicKey(vBindkeyID);  
  ed := encrypt[pk](i||propi||...||j||propj||data);  
  return ed.
```

```
vTPMk.UnSeal(vBindkeyID, ed):  
  (sk, pk) := KeyManagement.getKeyPair(vBindkeyID);  
  (i||propi||...||j||propj||data) := decrypt[sk](ed);  
  provider := vTPMPolicy.askForProvider([i,...,j]);  
  FOR l := i TO j DO BEGIN  
    prop'l := provider.PCRRead(l);  
    if (prop'l ≠ propl) return  $\emptyset$ ;  
  END  
  return data.
```

Migration Protocol

