

Protecting Data with Short-Lived Encryption Keys and Hardware Root of Trust

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What does the NSA think?

- The NSA has been public about:
 - The inevitability of mobile computing
 - The need to support cloud-based services
 - Even for use with secret data in the field
- General Alexander, head of the NSA, recently spoke of using smartphones as ID cards on classified networks.
- What works for them can work for you



Introduction

- Mobile devices are everywhere and leak like a sieve
- But we know that there are more and more of them every day
- So now do we stop the impending implosion?



Current Technology Landscape

- Why are mobile devices less secure
 - Too hard to enter secure passwords by thumb
 - Current antimalware is not up to the task
 - Some are owned by user (ByoD to work)
- But Mobile devices are (nearly) all ARM
 - Which supports Trusted Platform Module 2.0
 - Some new ones are on Intel Atom with TPM 2.0
 - So what's holding them back from being secure



What is needed to be secure?

- Must measure the current state of the mobile device
 - TPM, measured boot, remote attestation
 - ARM TZ, SOC
 - Send bootlogs to the RAS
 - What measurements can we use?
 - Firmware hash, time, etc.
- Create a statement of health (claim) signed by RAS
 - Send to mobile device
 - So mobile devices can prove it is healthy



How to use the Health Claim

- The Device can use the health claim
 - To send to service to prove status
 - To unlock data protected on the device
- If the Device is measured to be insecure
 - Go to remediation
 - This is nothing new
 - works just like NAP today



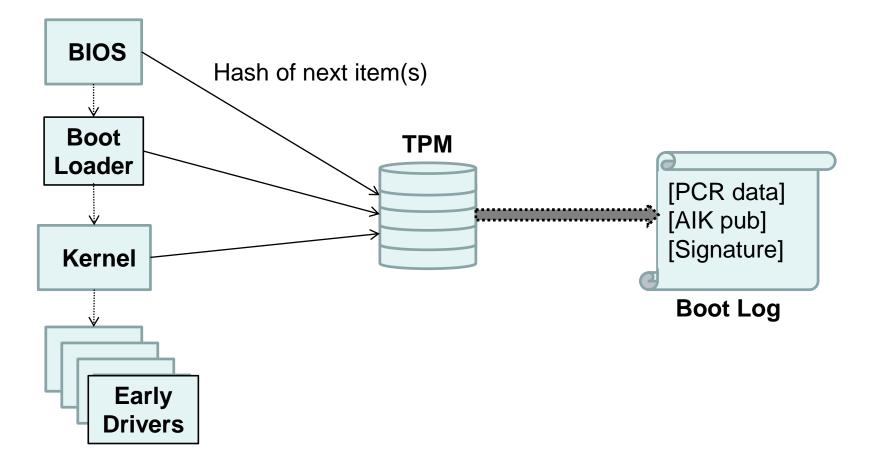
Remote Attestation Service (RAS)

- Needs secure data from manufacturer
- Only ELAM is protected by TPM
 - State of ELAM in Windows *
- Still need traditional AM
 - Checks user mode code
 - Even that AM code is verified by the ELAM
- How does the content provider trust the RAS

 Registration Authority



How does the RAS trust the Device?





Is TPM/RAS really secure?

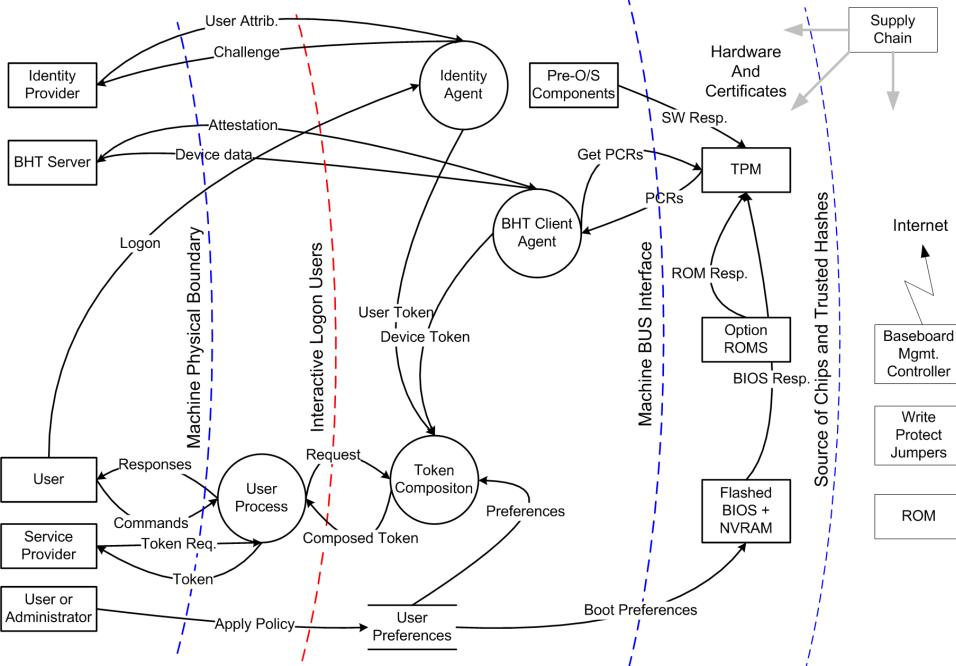
- Hardware root of trust secured within the TPM
 Technical detail firmware used by TPM 2.0
- PCRs are accumulated in secure location
- Send PCRs + boot log to RAS signed by TPM
- Secure time (actually just a boot counter)
 - How secure time works
 - What advantage does that give us?



DEMO of proof-of-concept code

- This has already be proven at RSA
- And several 3 letter agencies
- So, yes Virginia, there is a Santa Claus

Measured Boot – Threat Model





Policy-Enforced File Access

- BYOD
- Download sensitive files from document repository
- Leave laptop in back of taxi



What remains to be done

- Collecting signatures

 from all BIOS and Early Launch code
- Heuristics to determine if new code should be provisionally trusted
- What the consumerization trend means for hackers
- Opportunities in this space



Supporting Files

- <u>http://fedscoop.com/gen-alexander-cloud-key-to-network-security/</u>
- Endpoint Security and Trusted Boot <u>http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs007/1</u> <u>103180583929/archive/1110463148845.ht</u> <u>ml</u>
- <u>Hacking Measured Boot and UEFI</u> at DefCon 20



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