Proposed SACM Architecture

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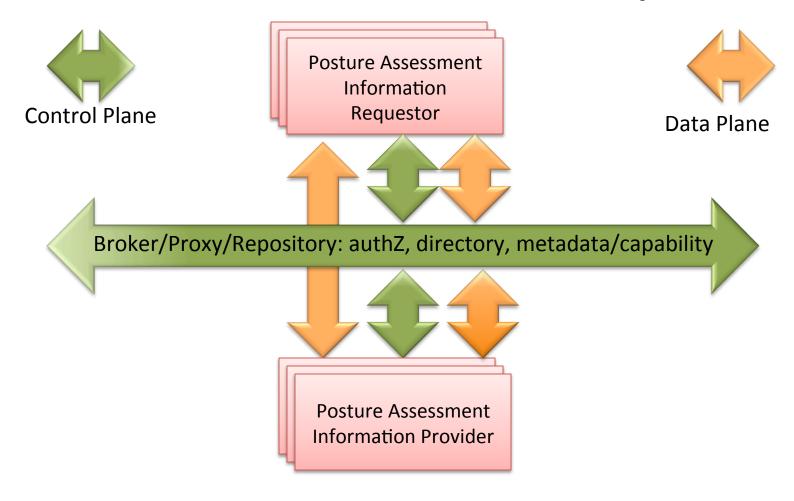
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- Draft-camwinget-sacm-architecture-00 posted in June 2014
- Architecture defines the components or "actors" that communicate or interface with each other
- The interfaces define the means by which Posture Information (e.g. data model) is sent or received
- The means by which a provider or requestor can provide its metadata and address security access controls is defined through a "control plane"

Why a Control Plane?

- Control Plane is an abstraction layer to facilitate:
 - Secure communications between a requestor and a publisher of Posture Information
 - Registration of new data models and transport
 - Discovery of existing/supported data models transport

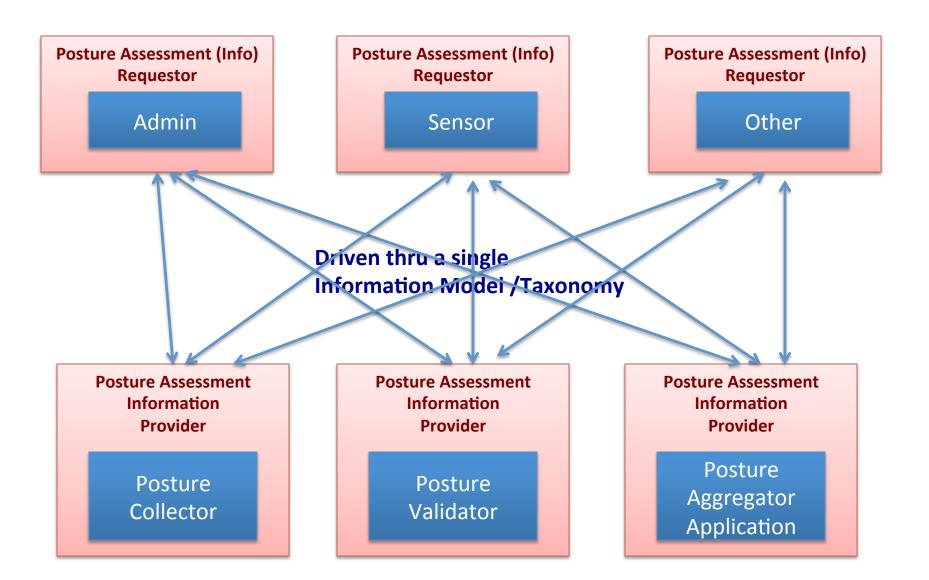
SACM Architecture - Conceptual



An individual actor (such as a posture assessment validator) may act as both an information requestor and an information provider.

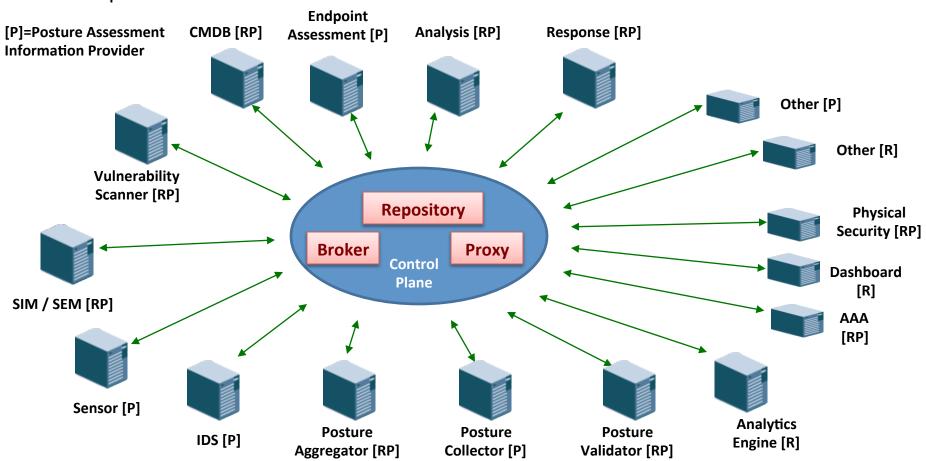
Different types of information providers may offer different types / levels of information (e.g. metadata or data profile)

Conceptual architecture based on Use Cases



SACM Architecture - Example

[R] = Posture Assessment Information Requestor



Next steps

- Comments provided by David Waltemire:
 - More text required to define "roles": consumer/ producer and entities that can behave as both
 - More text to fit in the different Posture functions (e.g. Collector, Validator)
 - More text to distinguish operations employed in the control plane vs. data plane
- More feedback please!

Q & A

