# RATS Architecture Design Team Status and Walkthrough

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WHEN: Tuesdays 10am EST. (+ a few Fridays/adhoc)

14 meetings since IETF106

ISSUES: 13 open, 20 closed

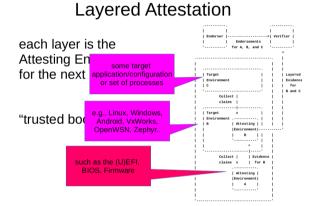
Pull requests:

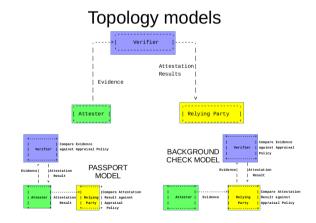
2 open, 39 closed

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## Overview of presentation

- 1) Table of Contents
- 2) Summary of Open Issues
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- 4) Walk through





#### **Table of Contents**

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  - 3.3. Confidential Data Retrieval
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  - 3.5. Trusted Execution Environment (TEE) Provisioning
  - 3.6. Hardware Watchdog
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  - 4.2. Layered Attestation Procedures
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  - 5.3. Combinations

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- 11. Security Considerations
- 12. IANA Considerations
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## Open Issues / Pull Requests

- #73 What are "role compositions"?
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/73
- #71 Section 4.2 and 4.3 should use similar conventions for section names and figures
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/71
- #69 create pull requests with time-sequence and table of time points
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/69
  - #75 Time considerations https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/pull/75
- •#67 Class of claims for messages that 'transit' entities involved in Role interactions
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/67
- #66 Have preferred serialization formats
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/66
- #65 More thorough definition of Endorser or Endorsement
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/65
- #57 Trust Model Section, Evidence consumed by an Endorser
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/57

- #55 Evidence description misses the mark
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/55
- #54 Attestation Results description too limited
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/54
- #42 to what extent does the security considerations talk about how long things are valid?
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/42
- #39 It seems to miss a final conclusion for the second paragraph in section 5.1
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/39
- #19 Entity and Sub-Entity & Composite Device and Component
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/19
- #18 Claim is used heavily but not in the terminology section
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/issues/18
  - #74 Define claim https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/pull/74
- #60 Update Trust Model with Implicit Trust Example
  - https://github.com/ietf-rats-wg/architecture/pull/60

## Previously Open Issues

- Introduction!
- Terminology discussion mostly done
  - Last argument is about "Claim"
- Need to get consensus on Layered approach pull request
- Published -02: feature complete.
  - Not all issues are show stoppers, some may be unresolvable.

## Walkthrough: Conceptual Data Flow

Endorsements come from an external authority

- (e.g., OEM, owner)

Appraisal Policy is set by Operator

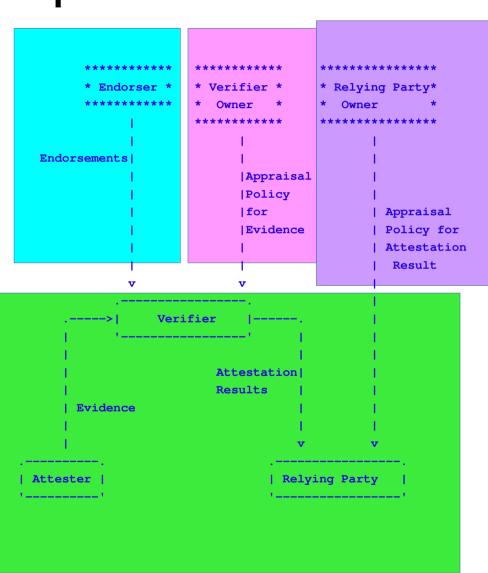
Relying Party sets its own policy

Not in current charter for

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Attester, Verifier, and Relying Party are connected by Evidence and Attestation Results

In Scope



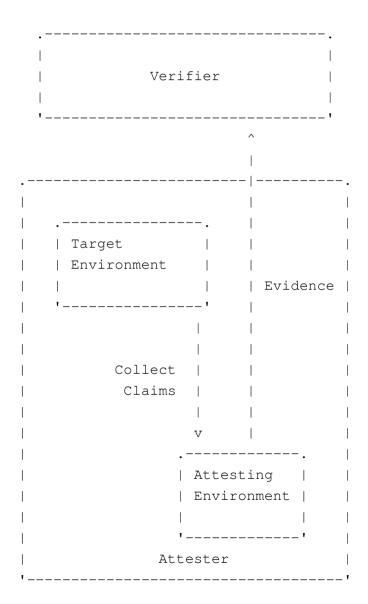
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#### Attesting Environment

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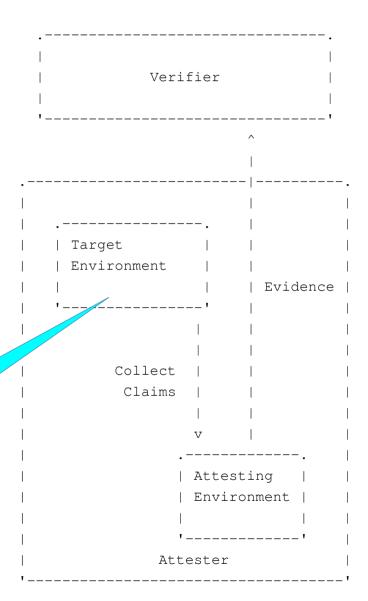
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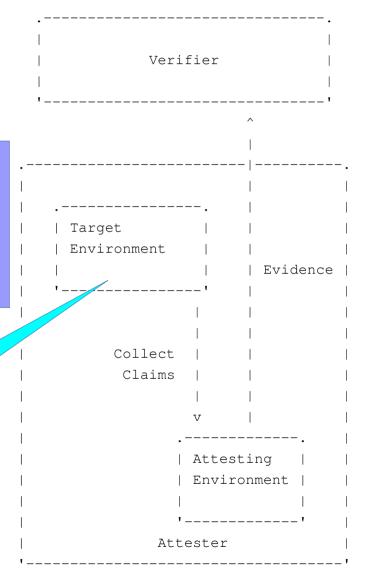
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## Two Types

It does not always
make sense, but
VERIFIER is responsible
To decide this

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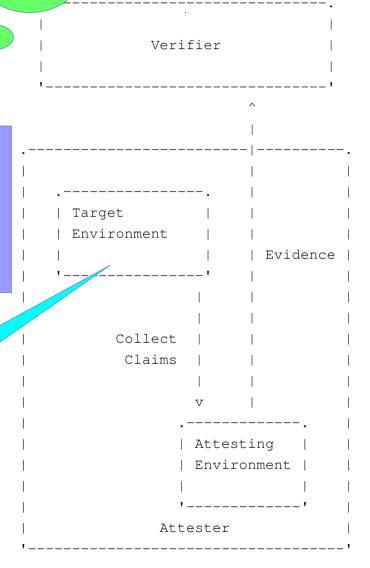
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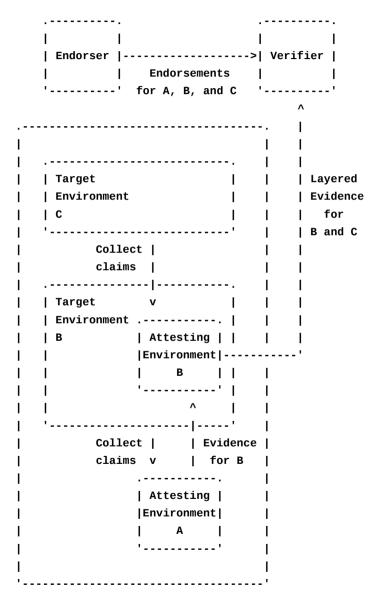
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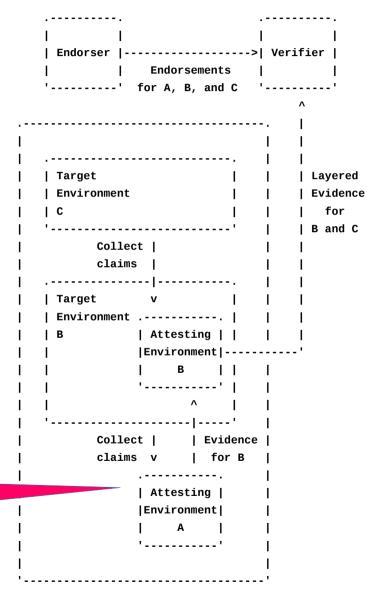
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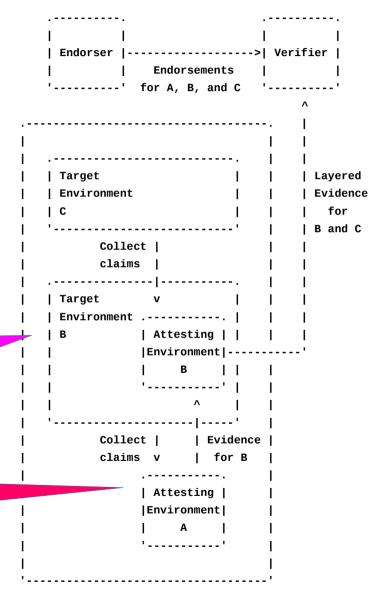


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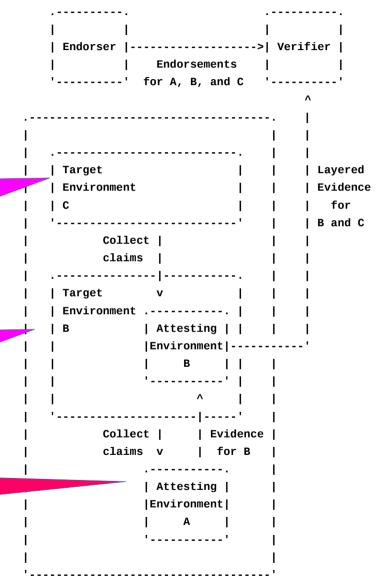


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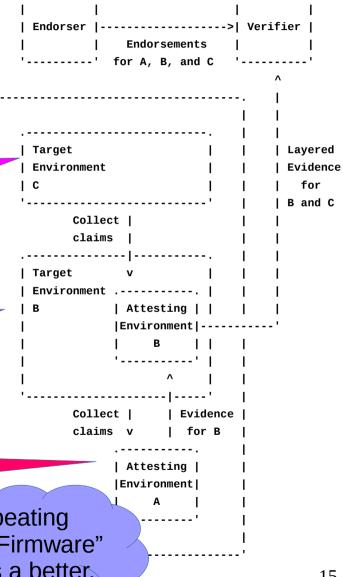


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We hate repeating (U)EFI,BIOS,Firmware" please find us a better, but inclusive term

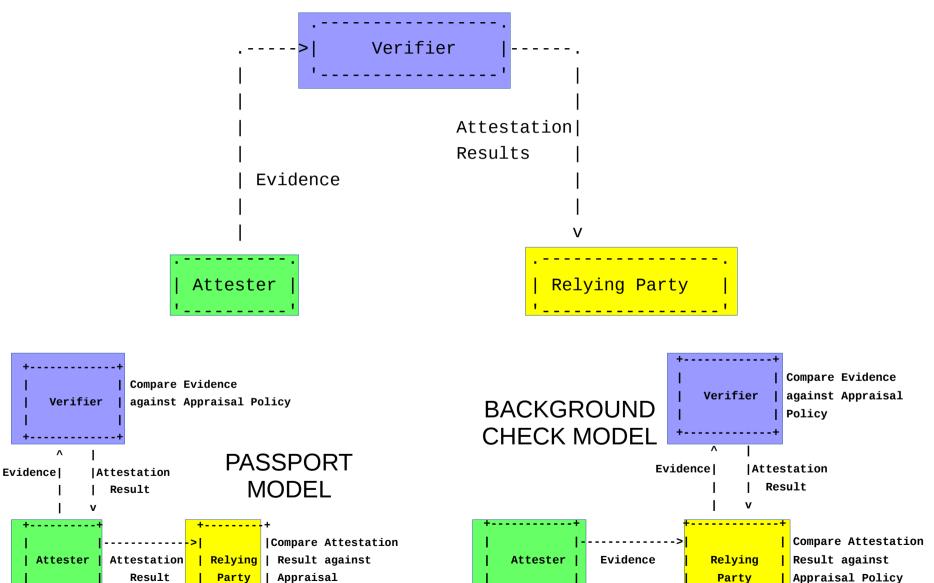
## Composite Device

- lead Attester has connection to Verifier
- other components may be:
  - line cards in a chassis
  - aggregates of similar systems
  - Smartphone (main CPU relays evidence from broadband CPU)
  - Devices attached to system bus (each device has firmware)

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Evidence of
                             Composite Device
         .-----| Attesting |<-----| Attester B |-
                   |Environment | |
      Target
 | Environment(s) | |
lead Attester A
                                 | (via Internal Links or
                   -----' Network Connections)
                  Composite Device
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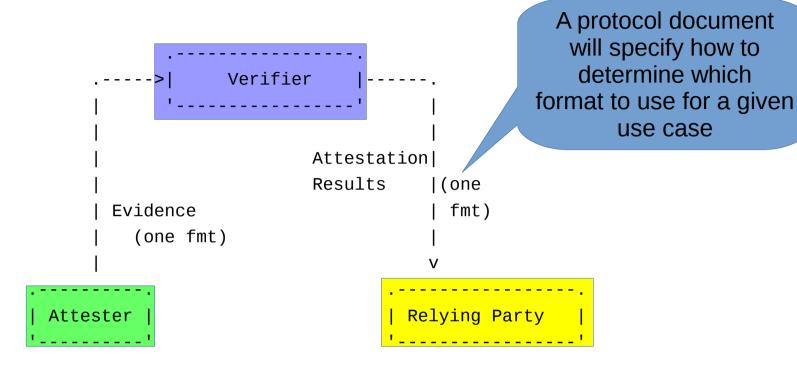
## Topology models



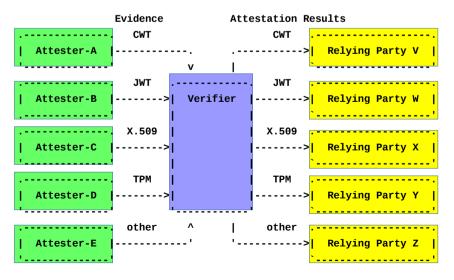
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**Policy** 

**Encoding Formats** 



- Attester produces a specific format
- Relying Party demands a specific format
- Either the protocol specifies the format, or it specifies a way to negotiate it dynamically



### Questions Discussion