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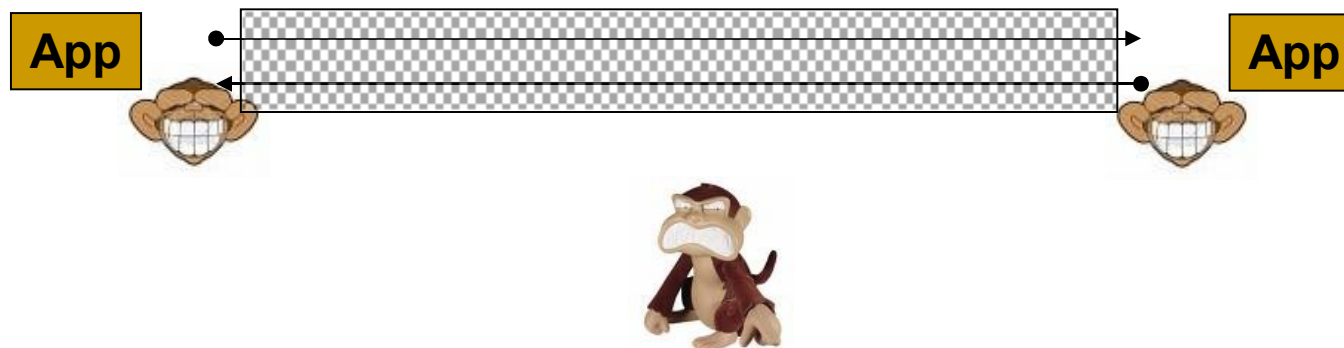
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“using encryption on the Internet is the equivalent of arranging an armored car to deliver credit card information from someone living in a cardboard box to someone living on a park bench”

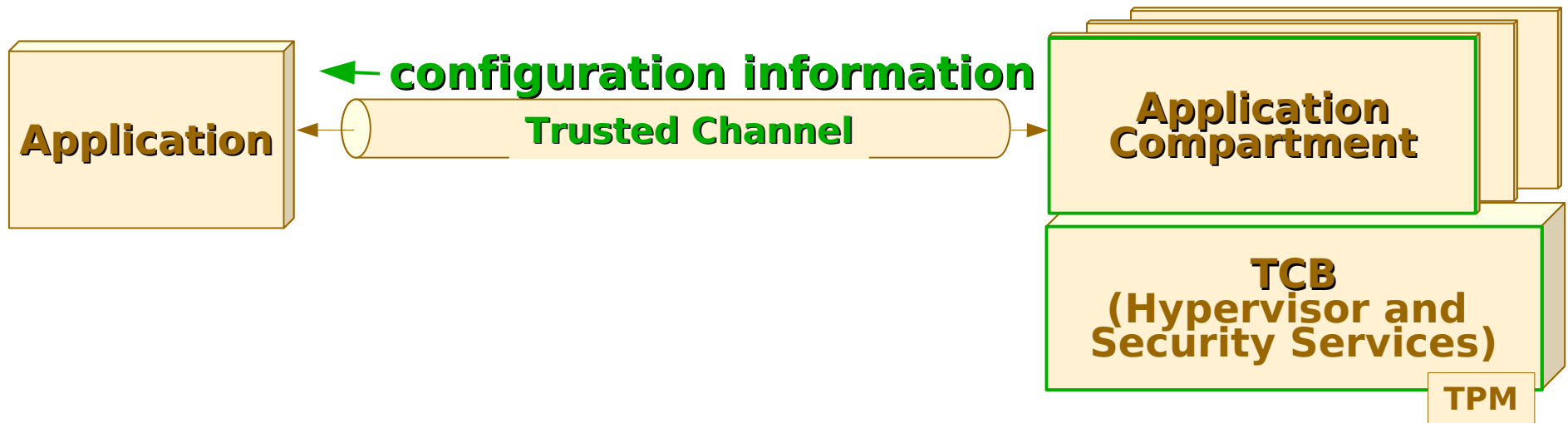
(Gene Spafford)



- **Motivation for Trusted Channels**
- **Basic idea of proposed approach**
- **Requirements**
- **Generic approach**
- **Mapping to SSL/TLS**
- **Analysis and related work**
- **Summary and future work**

- **Secure channel properties**
 - Authenticity of endpoints, Data confidentiality, Freshness and Integrity
- **Problem: Trustworthiness of end point**
 - **TLS** ensures secure channel properties during transport
 - **Malware** on server can publish or corrupt received data
- **Solution: Verifiable statement on trustworthiness of endpoint**
- **Possible approach**
 - Extending secure channel protocols by **Trusted Computing** functionalities (use case **Transport Layer Security**)
- **Secure Channel becomes Trusted Channel**

Basic Idea: Establish Trusted Channel

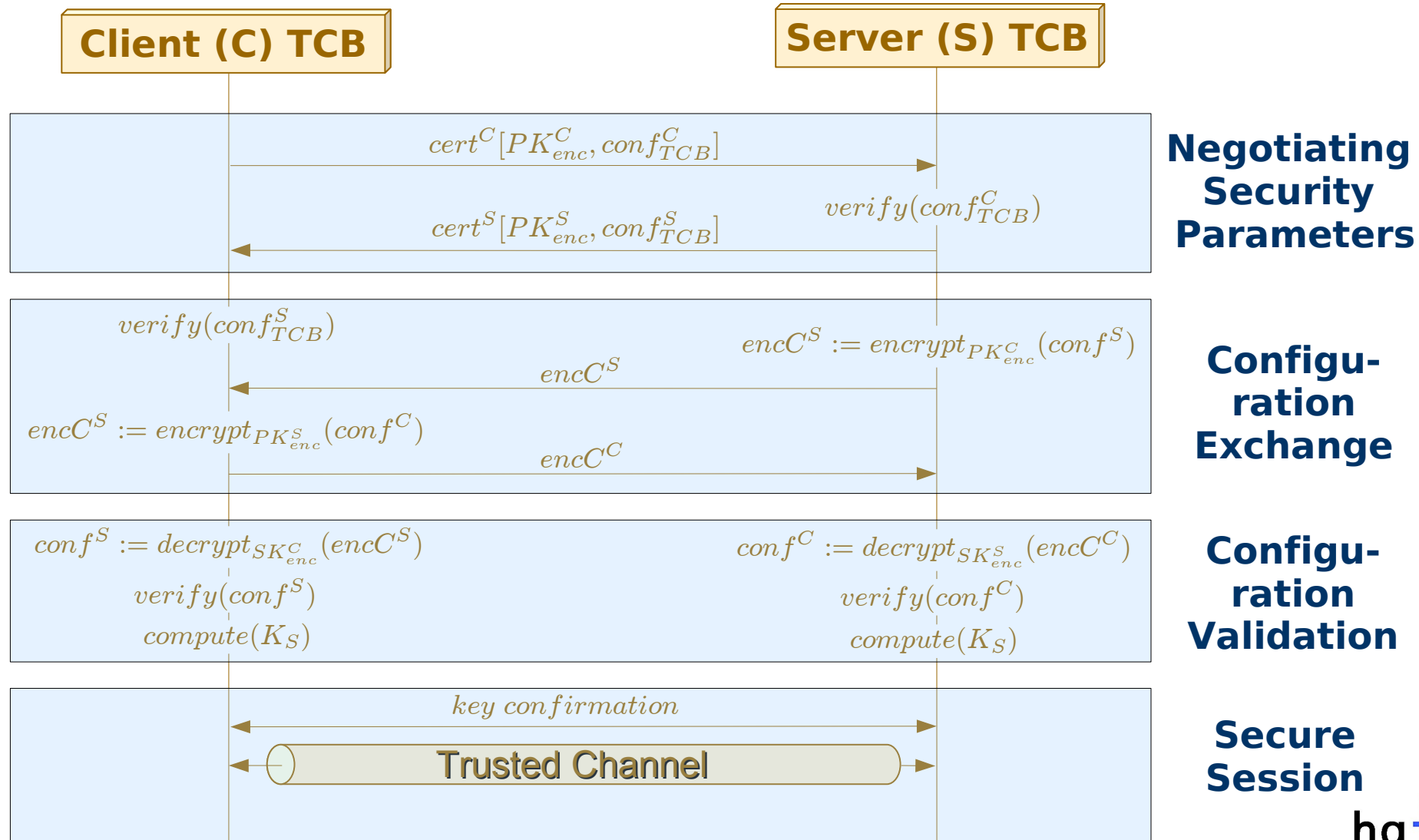


- **Measure configuration information of**
 - **Trusted Computing Base (TCB) (static configuration)**
 - **Application compartment (dynamic configuration)**
- **Transmit configuration information to peer**
- **Generate Session Key bound to configuration**
- **Allow application to use, but not get, Session Key**

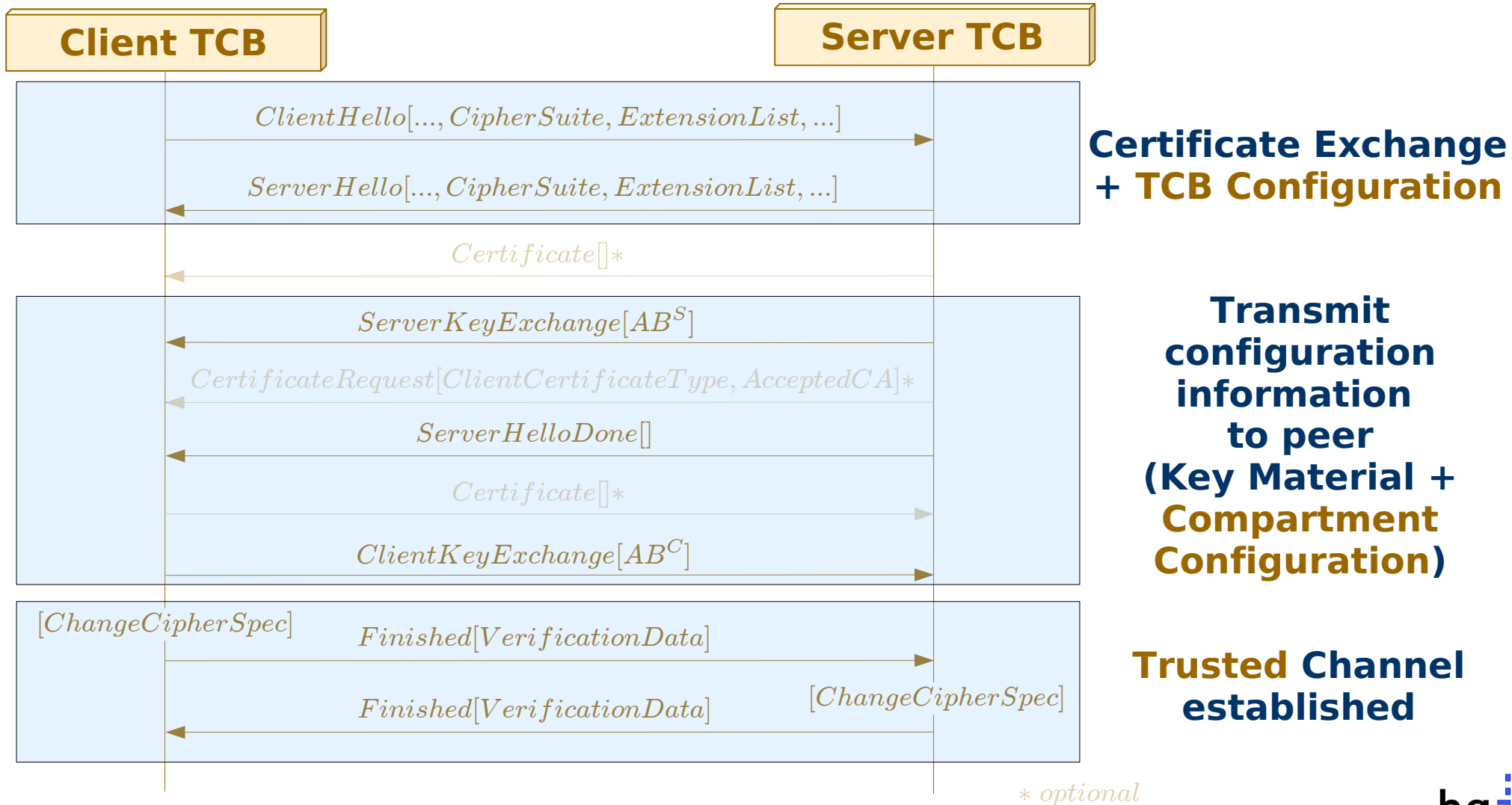
Requirements

- **Retain secure channel properties**
- **Securely link peer configuration and channel**
 - **exchange configuration securely**
 - **at establishment time**
 - **whenever configuration changes**
- **Privacy**
 - **minimize disclosure of configuration information**

Generic Approach



SSL/TLS Protocol with Extensions



Certificate Extensions

X.509v3 Certificate

PK_{bind}

Public part of K_{bind}

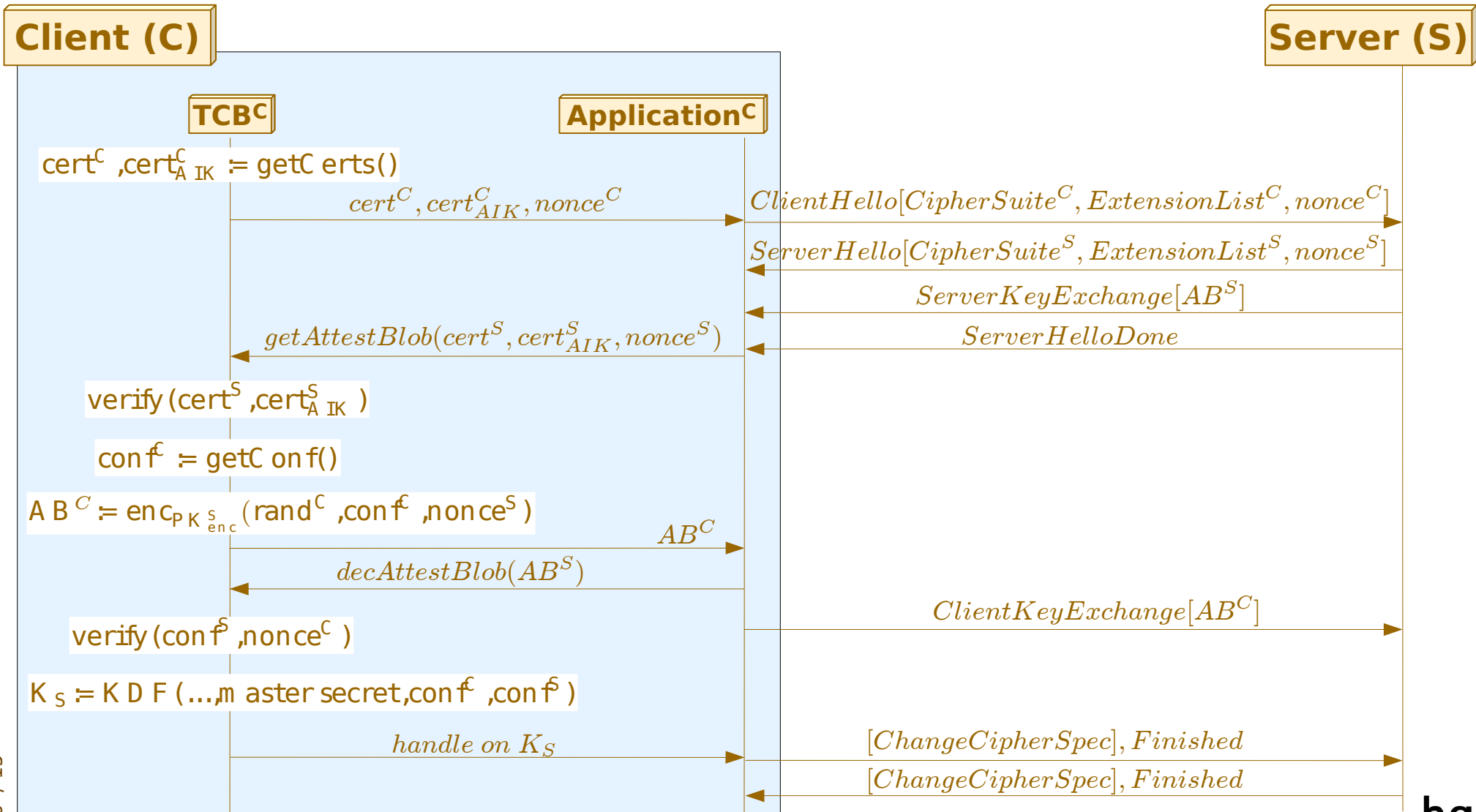
Subject Key Attestation Evidence Extension

Proof that SK_{bind} (secret part of K_{bind}) never leaves TPM unencrypted (K_{bind} sealed to TCB configuration)
Contains TCB configuration

Encryption Key (K_{enc}) Extension

PK_{enc} (public part of K_{enc})
 $Sign_{SK_{bind}}(PK_{enc})$
Vouches that SK_{enc} is kept inside TCB

Trusted Channel Protocol



Dealing with State Changes

- **Prohibit state changes**
 - TCB tears down channel (cf. [GPS06])
- **Report state changes to peer**
 - Monitoring agent to detect
 - TCB revokes access to session key from application compartment
 - TCB forces application to report new state to peer
 - New session key calculated as function of old session key and new state

Related Work and Contribution

	[STR+06]	[JSM01]	[MSW+04]	[MPP+07]	[SSW+07]	[GSS+07]
TPM	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
SSL/TLS	no	yes	yes	pos.	pos.	yes
Mutual Attestation	no	no	no	no	pos.	yes
State Changes	no	no	no	no	no	pos.
Isolation	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

- **Configuration information (both static and dynamic)**
 - **authenticated using trusted computing functionalities information**
 - **exchanged using TLS Extensions**
- **Trusted Channel fulfills requirements**
 - **Retain secure channel properties**
 - **Securely link peer configuration and channel**
 - **Privacy of compartment configuration**

Next Steps

- **Finalizing implementation**
- **Performance evaluation**
- **Formal security analysis**
- **Reliable runtime-integrity measurement agent**
- **Adapting approach to other secure channel protocols**



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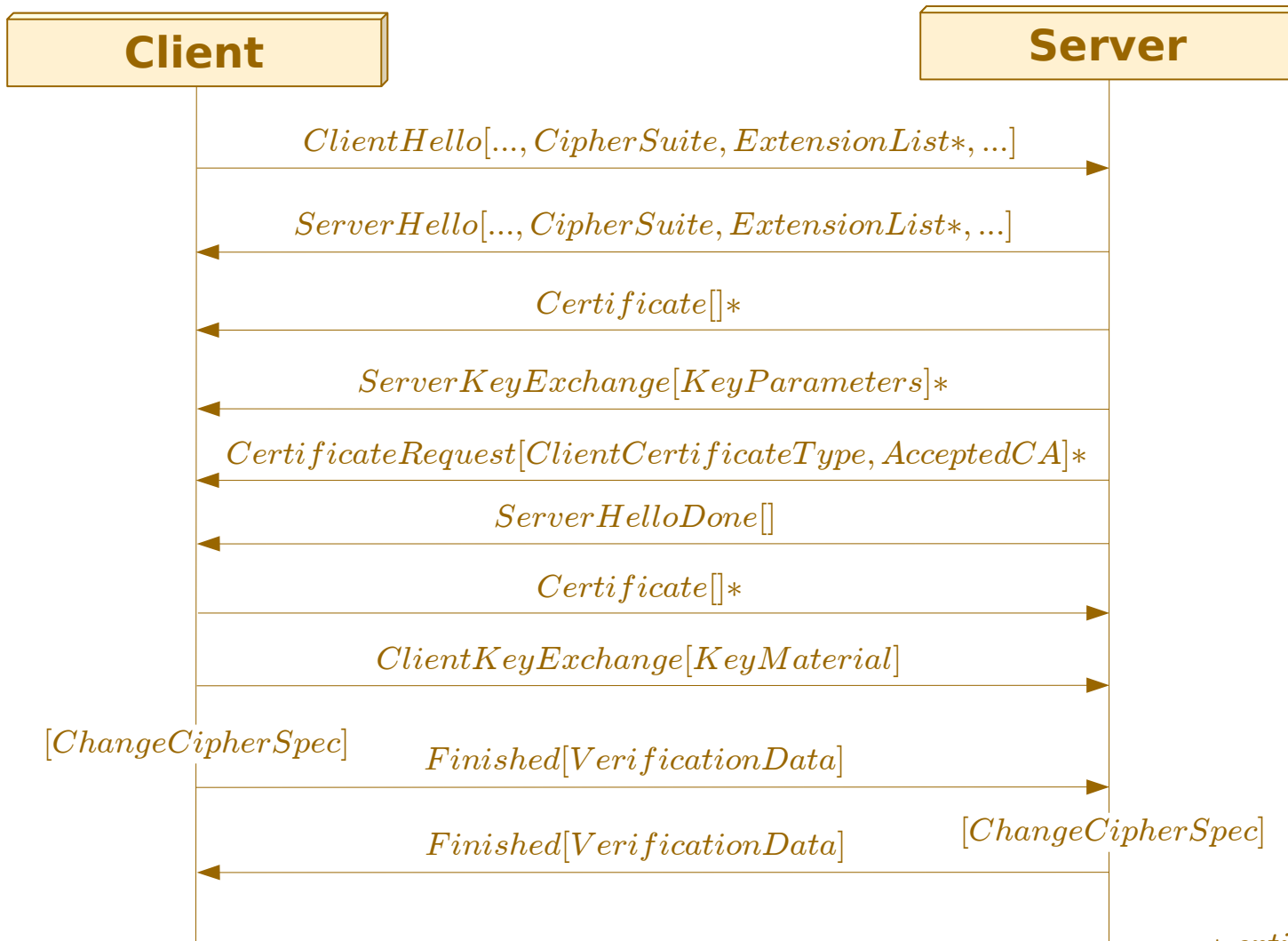
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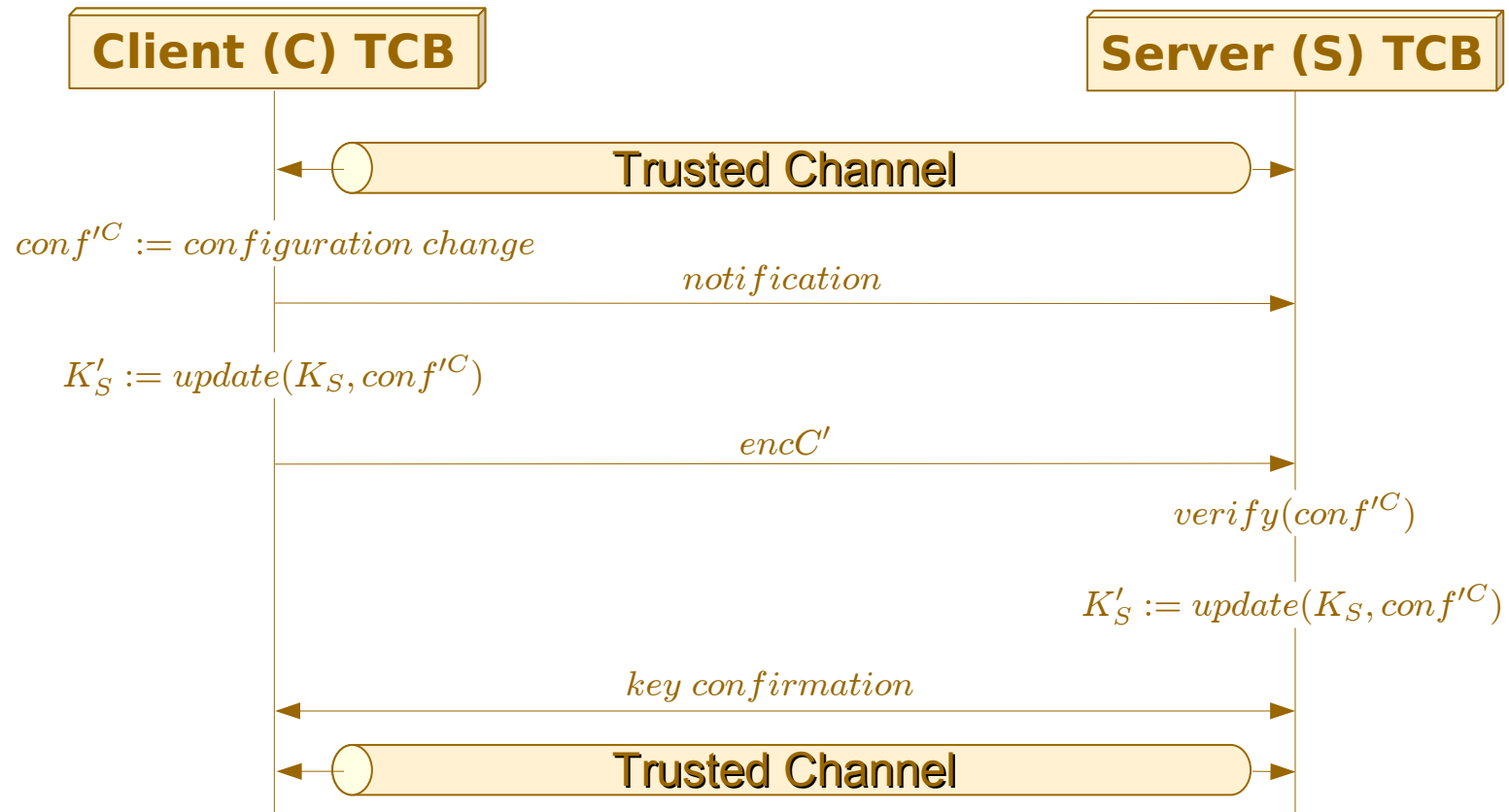
Backup

SSL/TLS Protocol (Handshake)

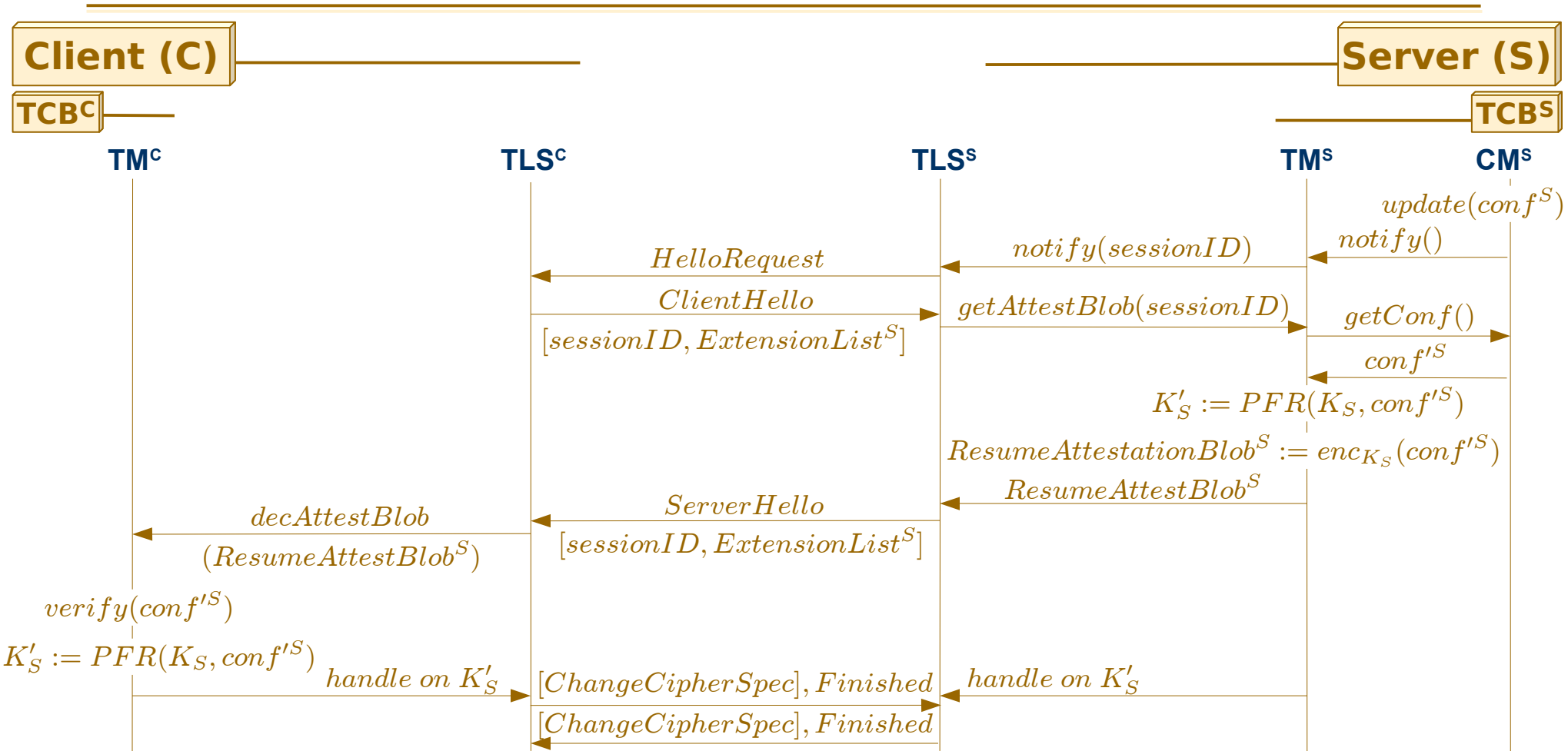


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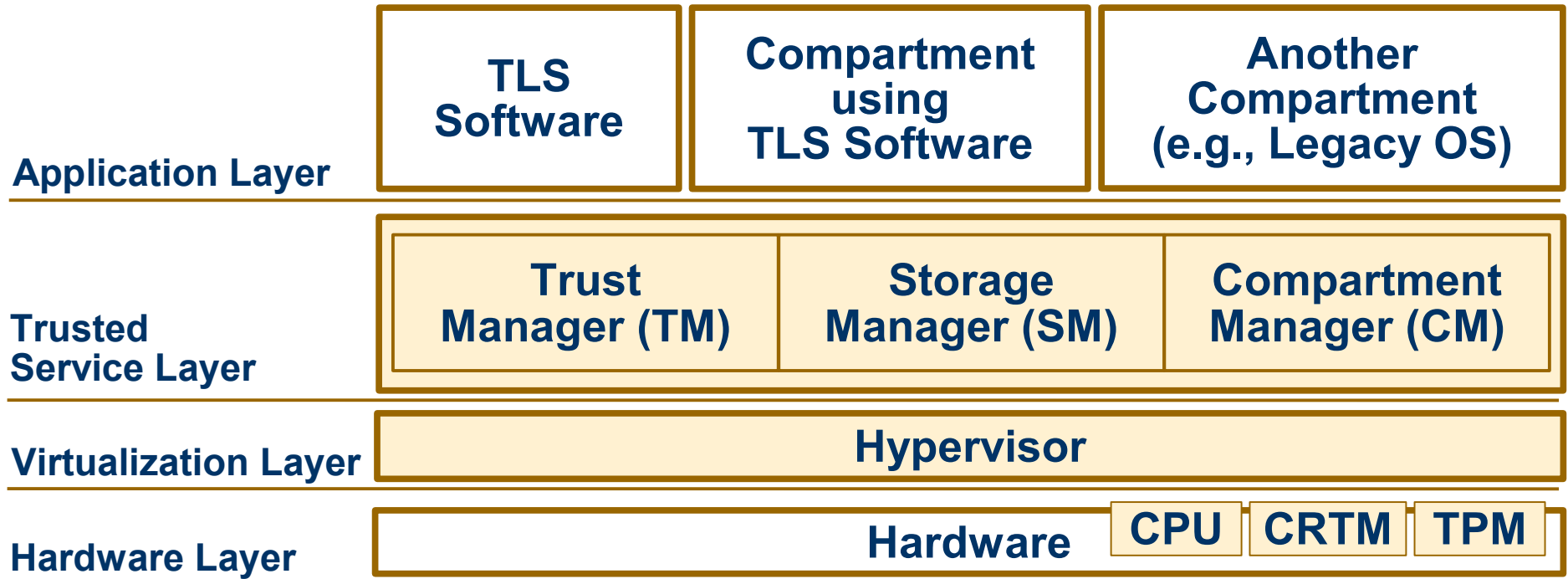
State Change (generic)



State Change



Underlying Security Architecture



 Components forming the TCB

- Provides trusted initialization (Chain of Trust) and isolation
- Manages credentials (certificates for K_{bind} , K_{enc} and Attestation Identity Key)

Trusted Service Layer

- **Trust Manager**
 - Functions for establishing Trusted Channels
 - Keys computed and held in TCB
- **Storage Manager**
 - Persistent data storing (e.g., keys and credentials)
 - Isolation of stored data
 - Sealing of data
 - Trusted Storage (availability, authenticity, confidentiality, integrity and freshness with the help of the monotonic counter feature of the TPM)

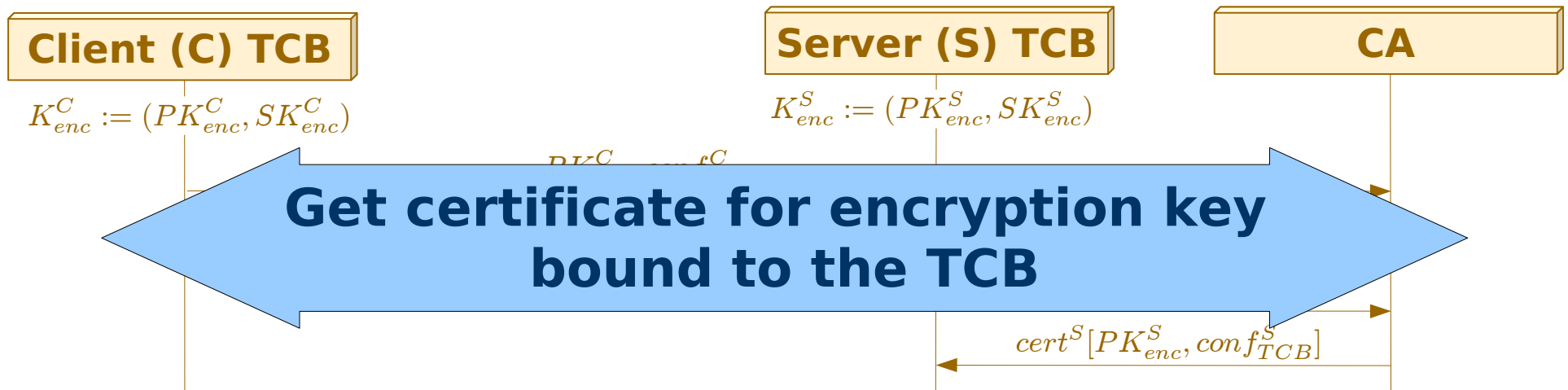
Trusted Service Layer

- **Compartment Manager**
 - Measures and starts compartments
 - Manages compartment ID and configuration via Configuraton Data Structure (CDS)
 - Monitoring agent (implementation in progress) for detecting state changes

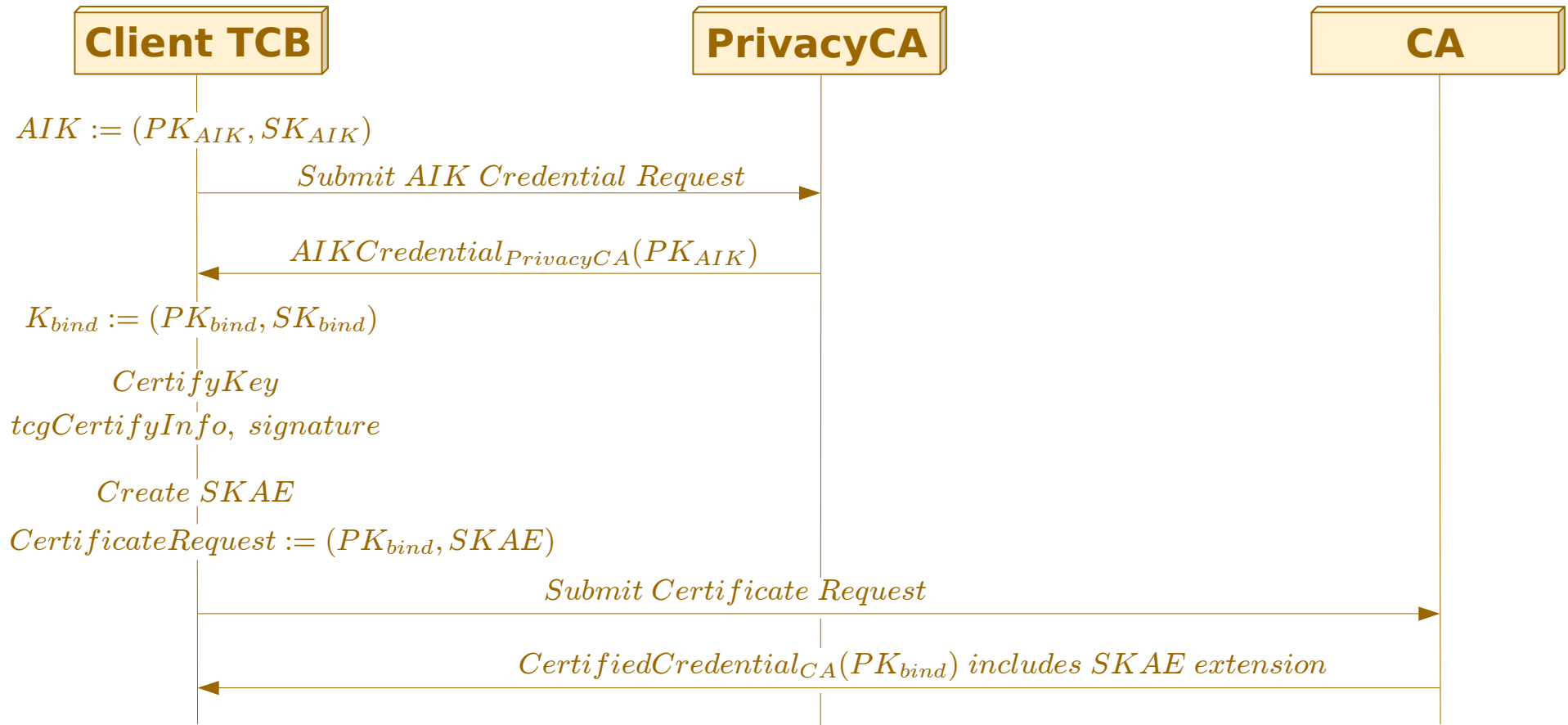
Subject Key Attestation Evidence (SKAE)

- **Specified by the Trusted Computing Group**
- **Can vouch for:**
 - Certain key created within well known trustworthy hardware environment
 - Key only used in corresponding trusted hardware environment
 - Key bound a certain identity, that may be verified (by AIK certificate)
- **Can be integrated in standard X.509 certificates**

Creating certificate



Subject Key Attestation Evidence (SKAE)



(cf. [TCG05] page 11)

Subject Key Attestation Evidence (SKAE)

- **Necessity for using SKAE:**
 - Private part of K_{enc} is held in TCB
 - AIK cannot be applied directly for signing K_{enc} (cf. [TGC03] page 18)
 - K_{bind} signed by AIK and certified using SKAE
 - Similar security assumption as uttered for AIK (private part never leaves TPM unencrypted) apply for K_{bind}
- **Standardized usage of CertifyKey command and TPM_CERTIFY_INFO2 structure (result: X.509 certificate extension)**

Privacy of configuration information

- **Separation of static and dynamic configuration**
 - **Dynamic configuration not visible to eavesdroppers**
- **Dynamic configuration only consists of application compartment**
 - **peer does not learn about other compartments**

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