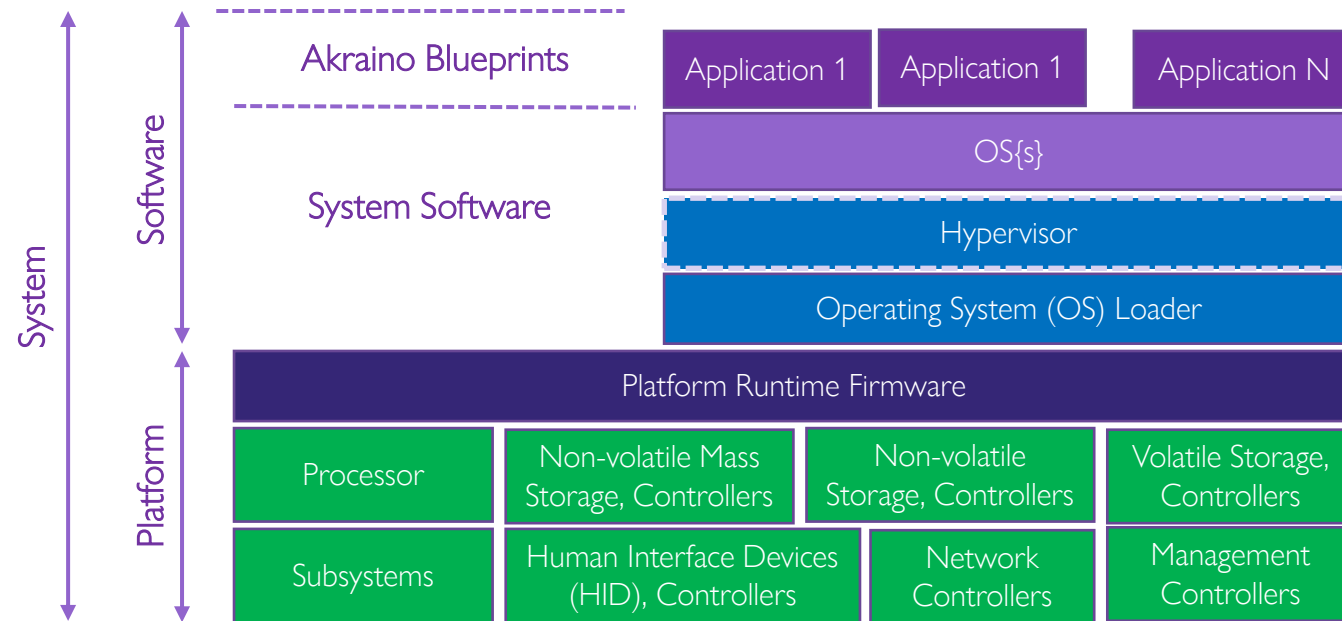


# Akraino Platform Security Overview

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# Akraino System Components Overview



Security of Akraino execution environment (or System) consists both Platform and Software security:

- Containerized environment security (Akraino Blueprints)
- System software security (OS loader, Hypervisor and OS{s})
- Firmware Security
- Platform Devices Security

# Akraino Platform Security Objectives

- Maintain the integrity of the platform layer and provide a safe execution environment for Akraino software stack.
- Define secure boot environments based on the platform Root-of-Trust.
- Secure attesting the platform's state of integrity.
- Protection of key assets in the platform:
  - Platform critical data (platform Id, encryption keys, configuration data, etc.).
  - Mutable firmware components.
- Secure platform firmware update.
- Protection platform runtime environment and data.
- Provide a secure interface for the Akraino software stack to the platform firmware runtime services and devices (TPM, TEE, etc.).

# Akraino Platform Security Goals

- **Unique identification.** Devices shall be uniquely identifiable.
- **Security lifecycle.** Devices shall support a security lifecycle. The device states shall be attestable and may impact access to data that is bound to the device.
- **Attestation.** Devices shall be securely attestable.
- **Software authorization.** Devices shall ensure that only authorized software is executed. Secure boot and secure loading processes are necessary to prevent unauthorized software from being executed.
- **Secure update.** Devices shall support secure update of software, or platform critical data like hardware configuration.
- **Anti-rollback.** Devices shall prevent unauthorized rollback of updates
- **Isolation.** Devices shall support isolation. Isolation of trusted services from one another and from less trusted services is essential to protect confidentiality and integrity of that service.
- **Interaction.** Devices shall support interaction over isolation boundaries. The interfaces must not be used to compromise confidentiality and integrity of the device
- **Device binding of stored data.** All devices shall support unique binding of stored sensitive data to the device.
- **Cryptographic and trusted services.** All devices shall support a minimum set of trusted services and cryptographic operations that are necessary to support other security goals.

# Akraino Security Platform Abstraction

Platform Abstraction Interface should be available for the Akraino blueprints for securely accessing the platform's runtime services and secure devices.

PARSEC is the **Platform AbstrAction** for **SECurity**, an open-source initiative to provide a common API to hardware security and cryptographic services in a platform-agnostic way. This abstraction layer keeps workloads decoupled from physical platform details, enabling cloud-native delivery flows within the data center and at the edge.

PARSEC provides the following:

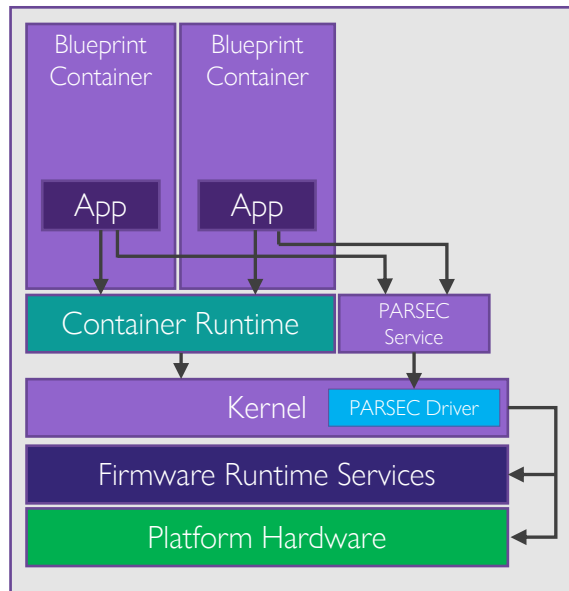
- **Abstraction** – a common API that is truly agnostic and based on modern cryptographic principles
- **Mediation** – security as a microservice, brokering access to the hardware and providing isolated key stores in a multi-tenant environment
- **Ergonomics** – a client library ecosystem that brings the API to the fingertips of developers in any programming language: “easy to consume, hard to get wrong”
- **Openness** – an open-source project inviting contributions to enhance the ecosystem both within the service and among its client libraries

<https://github.com/parallaxsecond/parsec>

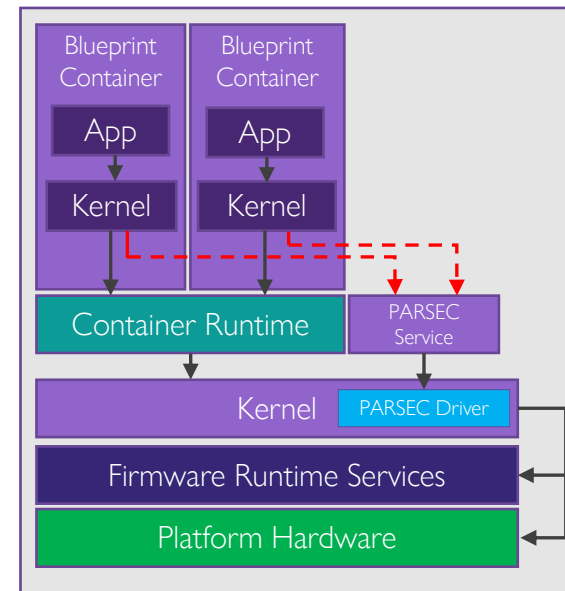


# Akraino Blueprints in Native Host Environment With PARSEC

Blueprint Containers on Host System

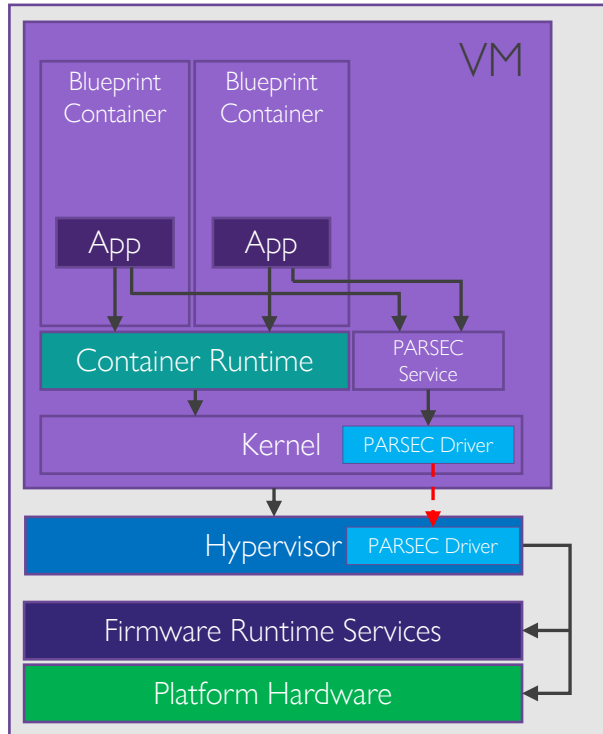


Blueprint Containers on Host System with Kernel in Container

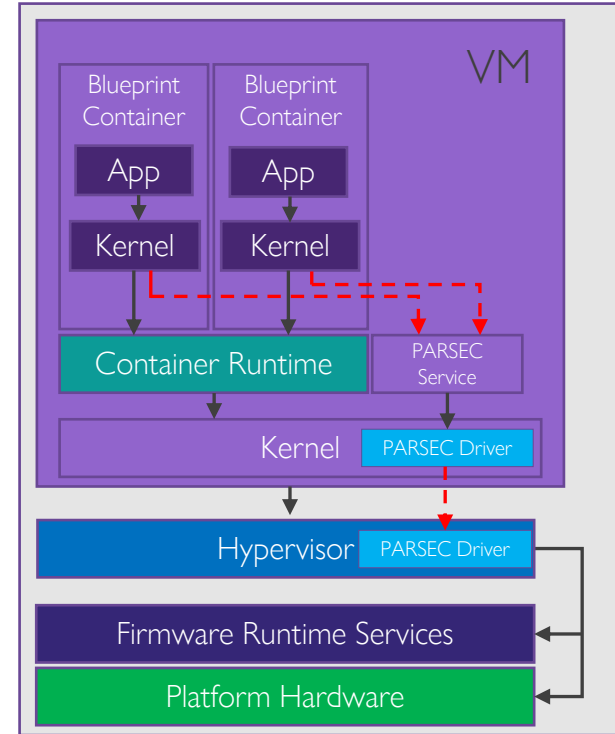


# Akraino Blueprints in VM Environment with PARSEC

Blueprint Containers in Virtual Machine



Blueprint Containers in Virtual Machine with Kernel in Container



# Questions

