

In Containers We Trust?

Building Trust In Containerized Environments

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Containers are ubiquitous and blindly trusted...

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PCR	PCR	PCR	PCR	PCR	PCR	PCR	PCR
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logs**

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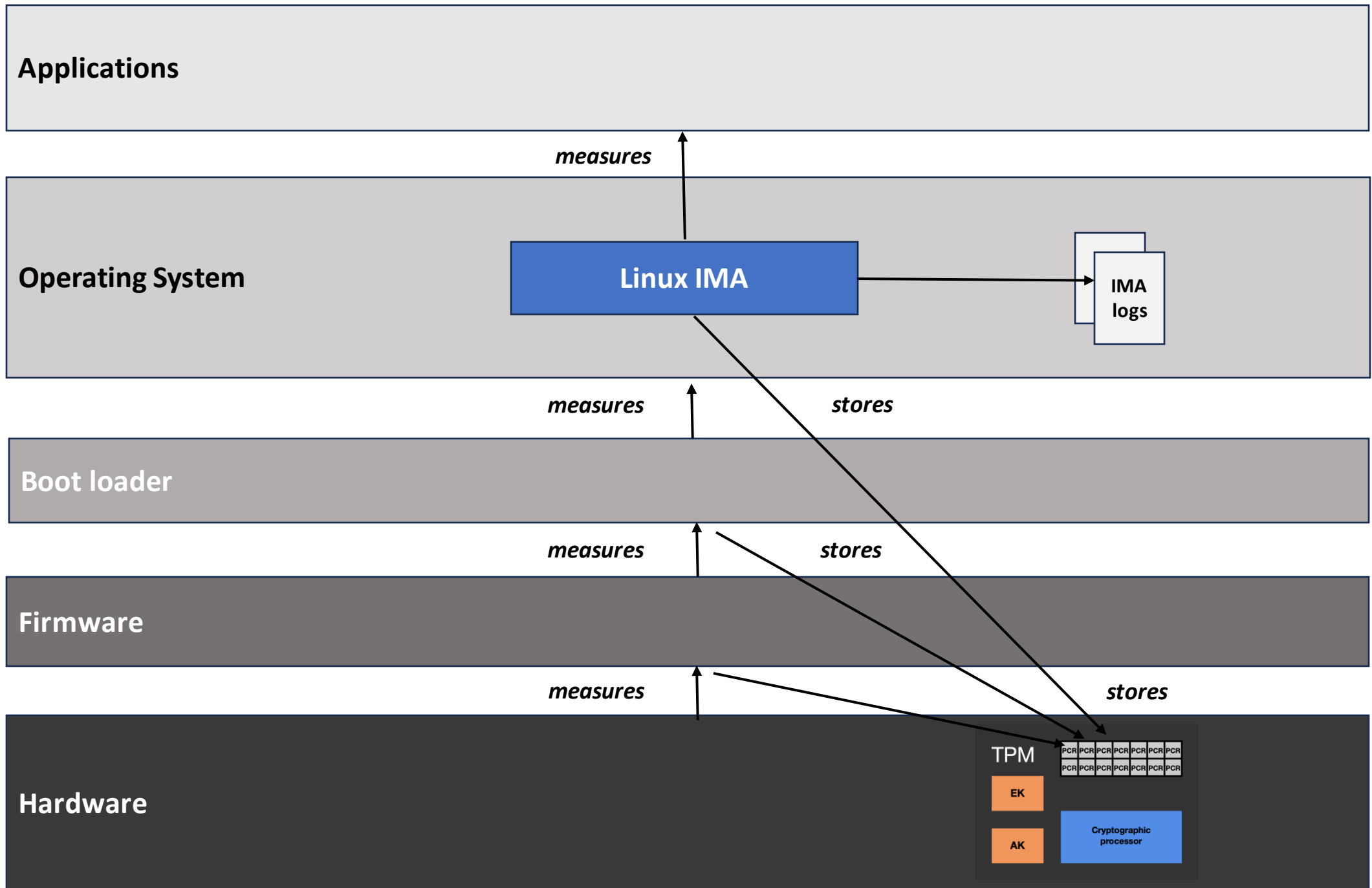
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PCR1 PCR2 PCR3 PCR4 PCR5 PCR6
PCR7 PCR8 PCR9 PCR10 PCR11 PCR12

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Attesting machine

