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Security HC meeting

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Agenda

- Specifications out for Public Review
- RISC-V Security Big-Picture discussion
- Proposed organization structure
- Charters

- Need help reviewing all specifications out for Public Review, see https://wiki.riscv.org/display/TECH/ISA+Extensions+On+Deck+-+Ready+for+Ratification+Milestone
- Please send note to reflector to indicate which ones have been reviewed

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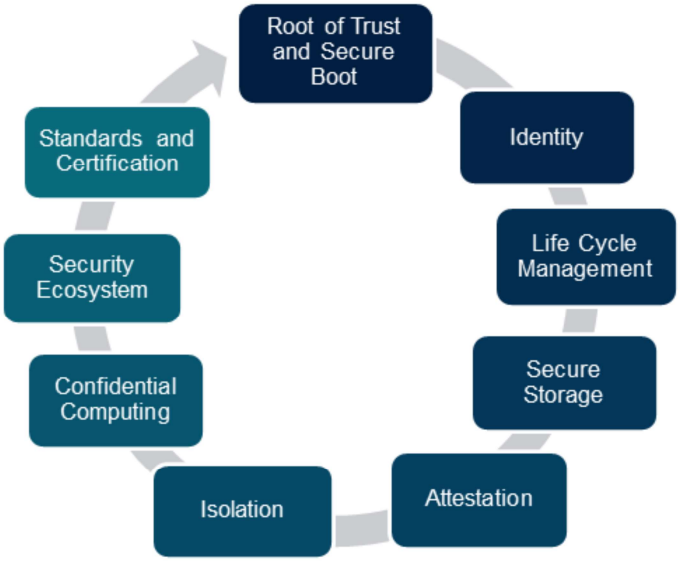
Intrinsic Security

Zero Trust Model

- Security as a basic feature of HW, SW Firmware
- Support security through entire lifecycle
- Guidelines matched to profiles



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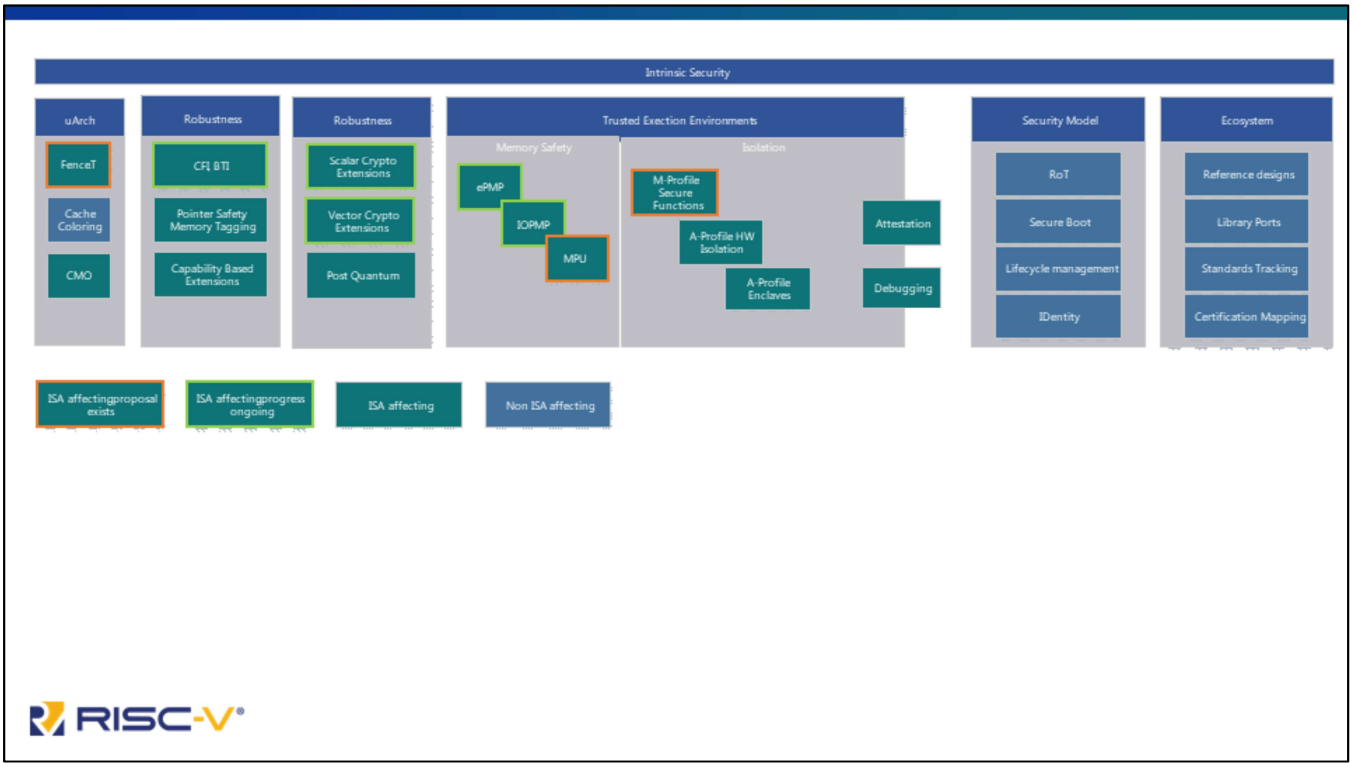

- Meeting feedback: need to add more detail on Crypto. Resolved in the above updates slide. [closed]
- Need to ensure IOMMU work is sponsored by the right group. Need to get onto Chairs meeting agenda. Request sent. [closed]

Security Model

- State Goals of Security and Rationale
- Abstracted from implementation specifics
- Platform specifications can reference appropriate sections
  - By Profile, By Vertical
- Reuse Existing standards when appropriate

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Security Model

Secure Boot

- Immutable Root of Trust
- Secure Boot Chain
- Mutable Root of Trust
- Attestation through every stage
- Temporal Isolation
- *Certificate Format*
- *Binary Format*
- ....

LifeCycle Management

- Development and Debug
- Provisioning
- IDentity
- Update
- Anti Roll back
- Decommisioning

- Intention is to reference from Platform Specifications
  - Shall - Should - May in platform spec
  - Security Model itself is Non-ISA affecting

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Trusted Execution

- Memory Safety
  - PMP based TEEs
- Hardware based Isolation
  - M-Class secure functions
  - A-Class Maintaining privilege levels in TEE
- Confidential Compute
  - Mutually untrusted applications
  - Isolated Application Enclaves
  - Encrypted Enclaves
- Attestation of entire software chain from initial boot
- Security aware Debugging

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Maybe ISA affecting / **ISA Affecting**

Robustness

- Control Flow Integrity
  - BTI, PAC etc
- Side Channel Leakage Protection
  - ISA extensions to control uArch?
    - Fence.t
- Capability Based
  - CHERI JWG
  - Alternatives?

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- Side Channel Leakage naming might cause confusion about scope. Need to decide on how much to include (non-invasive vs invasive, plus analogue domain).

Security Ecosystem

- Security Services
  - Reference implementations
    - Secure Boot
    - Attestation
    - ...
  - Optimised library ports
    - OpenSSL
    - mbed Crypto
  - OS ports
  - APIs
- Standards and Certification
  - Formal Security Proofs
  - Certification mapping
- Verticals
  - Any Specific requirements ?

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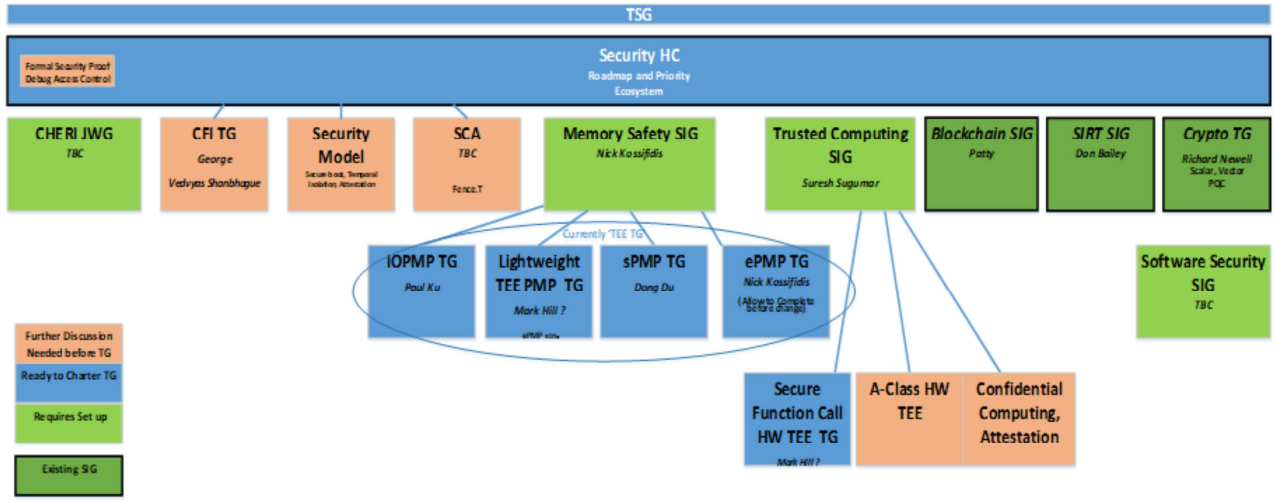
Proposed Reorganisation of Security in Risc-V



Proposed Reorganisation of Security in Risc-V

- Start *Security Model* team under HC to create high level recommendations around RoT, secure boot, attestation chain, temporal isolation, updateability, identity, and the rationale.
- Move most of the Current TEE TG work to a new SIG 'Memory Safety SIG' -
  - Meetings structure unchanged, chair remains Nick
  - Create individual TGs for each task with specific charter
- Refocus the Security Tech SIG
  - Suresh remains chair
  - Trusted Execution and Confidential Computing
  - Initial work is to define the requirements, aim to charter TG(s)
- Create Joint Working Group (JWG) for CHERI discussion
- CFI ready to charter TG
- Restart SCA discussion on fence.T and other proposals
- Also need focus on Security SW and Ecosystem – any volunteers ?

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Open Action Items

Running list of open AI's

- Manuel/Andy confirm that Discovery is actively worked
- Suresh to find candidate to lead Side-Channel activities
- Andy/Manuel to identify work ready for charter creation

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- Discovery is being actively discussed in the SW HC - closed