



# Secure Storage Updates in OP-TEE: What's new since SFO15 and what's left to do?

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# What is Secure Storage?

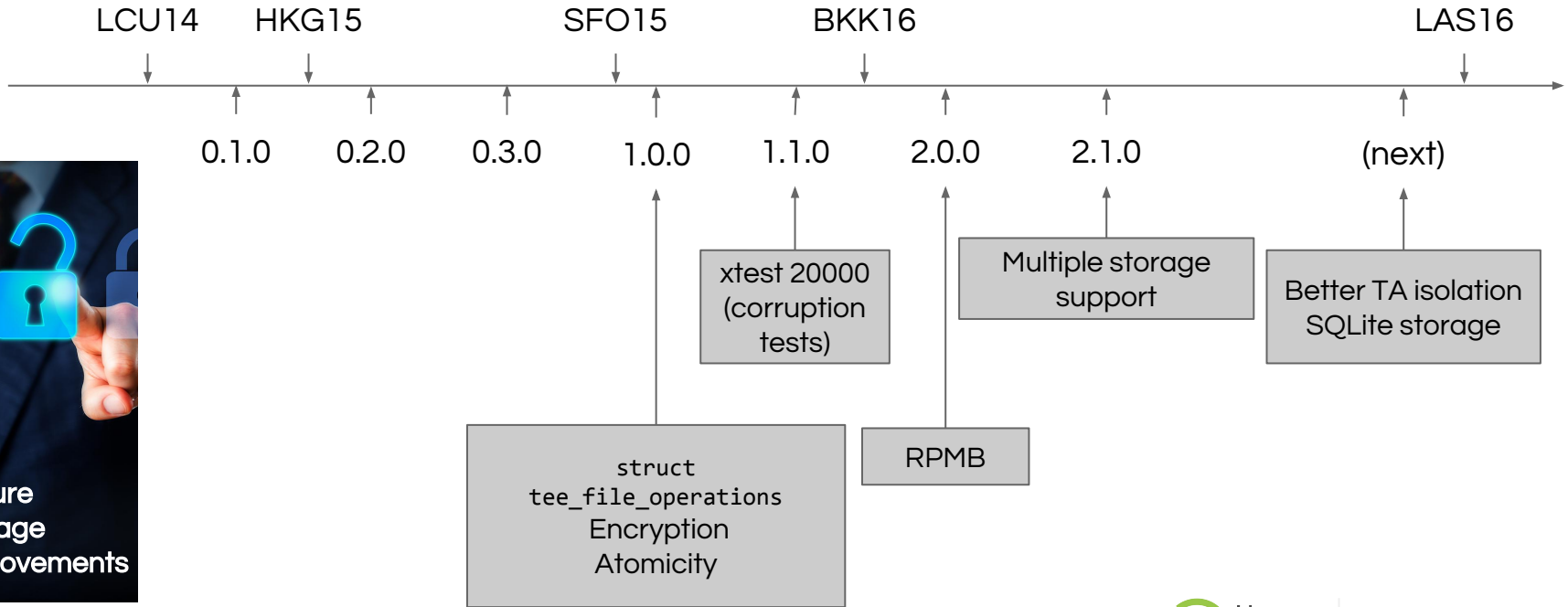
- Persistent data store for crypto keys or other application-specific data
- Accessible to Trusted Applications only
  - Each TA has its own storage (TA isolation)
- Isolated from the non-secure world
  - Secure Storage data be read, modified or deleted by user applications or the OS kernel
- OP-TEE implements the GlobalPlatform™ *TEE Internal Core API v1.1*
  - Chapter 5: *Trusted Storage API for Data and Keys ; Persistent Object [Enumeration] Functions and Data Stream Access Functions*

```
TEE_OpenPersistentObject()  
TEE_CreatePersistentObject()  
TEE_CloseAndDeletePersistentObject1()  
TEE_RenamePersistentObject()  
TEE_ReadObjectData()  
TEE_WriteObjectData()  
TEE_TruncateObjectData()  
TEE_SeekObjectData()
```

```
TEE_AllocatePersistentObjectEnumerator()  
TEE_FreePersistentObjectEnumerator()  
TEE_ResetPersistentObjectEnumerator()  
TEE_StartPersistentObjectEnumerator()  
TEE_GetNextPersistentObject()
```



# OP-TEE Timeline



# Multiple storage support

- OP-TEE < 2.0.0
  - Secure storage is implemented on top of the Rich OS filesystem. We call it the “REE FS”
  - Trusted Application may only use TEE\_STORAGE\_PRIVATE as the storagelD parameter
- OP-TEE = 2.0.0
  - Replay Protected Memory Block (RPMB) storage is introduced. It is a compile-time option to replace the REE FS (CFG\_RPMB\_FS=y).
- OP-TEE = 2.1.0
  - Code is refactored to allow for compile time and runtime selection of the storage backend
  - Compile time options (both may be enabled simultaneously):

```
CFG_REE_FS ?= y; CFG_RPMB_FS ?= n
```
  - Runtime flags used by Trusted Applications:

```
#define TEE_STORAGE_PRIVATE      0x00000001
#define TEE_STORAGE_PRIVATE_REE  0x80000000
#define TEE_STORAGE_PRIVATE_RPMB 0x80000100
```
- OP-TEE > 2.1.0 (next)
  - SQLite storage is introduced: CFG\_SQL\_FS ?= n

```
#define TEE_STORAGE_PRIVATE_SQL  0x80000200
```

# Replay Protected Memory Block support (1)

- Added in 2.0.0
- OP-TEE had some legacy RPMB code which was re-worked recently
- Main source files:

```
core/tee/tee_svc_storage.c
```

```
core/tee/tee_rpmb_fs.c
```

```
core/tee/tee_fs_key_manager.c
```

- FS layout is as follows:

```
[ Partition data (512 bytes) | FAT entries -> ... <- File blocks ]
```

- File Allocation Table entries are dynamically allocated from the bottom while file blocks are allocated from the top
- The allocator is `tee_mm_alloc()` / `tee_mm_alloc2()`



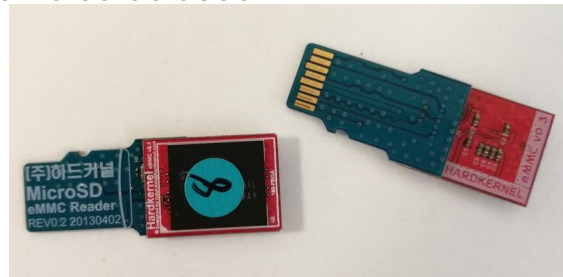
# Replay Protected Memory Block support (2)

- eMMC device ID is selected at compile time
  - `CFG_RPMB_FS_DEV_ID ?= 0` in `mk/config.mk`
  - Will use `/dev/mmcblk0rpmb`
- Device is accessed through Normal World (`tee-suppllicant`)
  - There is no MMC driver inside OP-TEE
- `tee-suppllicant` contains emulation code so it's easy to test without a real device
  - `RPMB_EMU := 1` in `tee-suppllicant/Makefile`
  - Comment out to access the real device
- RPMB key is programmed on first use
  - SHA256(HUK) or a predefined test key if `CFG_RPMB_TESTKEY = y`
  - **⚠** possible attack: replace the eMMC with a new one (or simulate the same) and the key will leak out. We'll fix that.



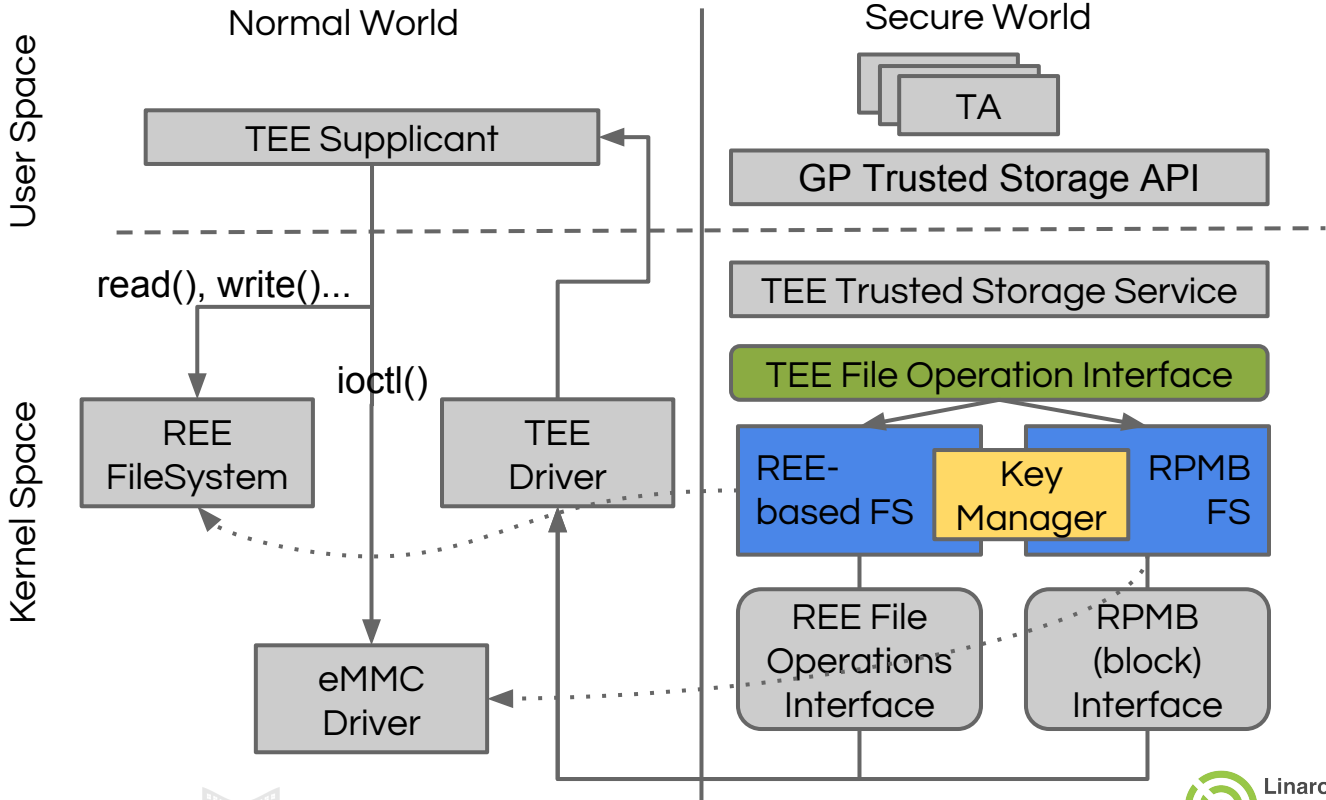
# Replay Protected Memory Block support (3)

- Atomicity: read/write/rename etc. can't leave objects in a partially modified state
  - FAT block is updated only after data blocks have been written successfully
  - RPMB spec ensures atomic write of `rel_wr_blkcnt` blocks or less (at least 1), this is enough for our need
  - Data writes larger than `rel_wr_blkcnt` cannot be updated in-place ; allocate/read/update/write/commit to FAT instead
- **HiKey** can access the onboard eMMC since kernel 4.8-rc1
  - Commit [af63762](#) ("mmc: dw\_mmc: k3: add MMC\_CAP\_CMD23")
  - An external eMMC module with a microSD adapter can also be used





# Replay Protected Memory Block support (4)



# SQLite (1)

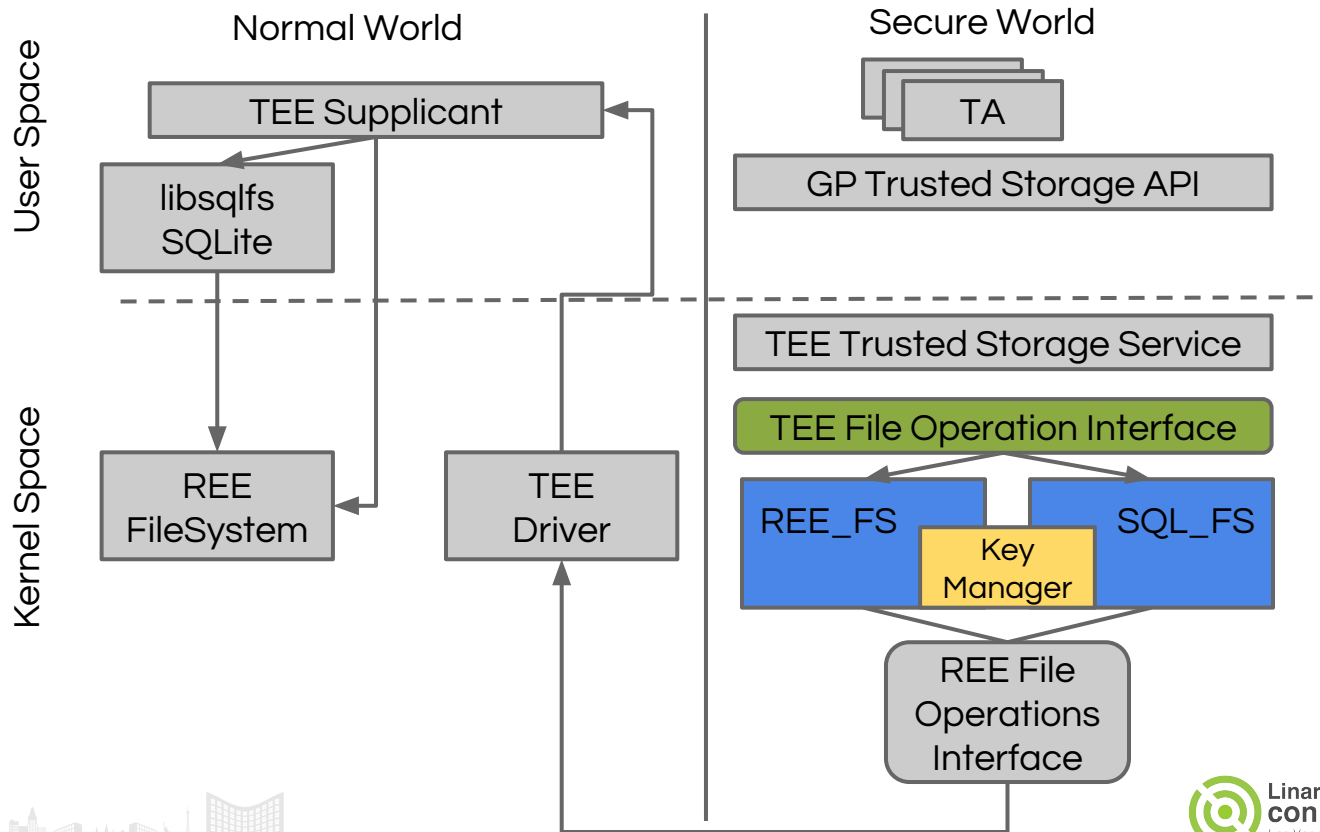
- A SQLite backend is proposed as a simpler and more robust alternative to the REE FS
- Based on SQLite3 (public domain) and libsqlfs (LGPLv2 or later)
- Moves the complexity of handling atomic updates from secure world to normal world (tee-suppllicant). Indeed, libsqlfs provides:

```
sqlfs_begin_transaction(fs);  
sqlfs_complete_transaction(fs, rollback);
```

- TA data are stored in a single file in the Normal World filesystem:  
/data/tee/sstore.db



# SQLite (2)



# Encryption (1)

- Data Encryption is turned on with `CFG_ENC_FS=y` (default `y`).
  - Useful even for RPMB, since the device is accessed through the Normal World
- Authenticated block encryption, 1 key per file (File Encryption Key).
- FEK is AES-encrypted using a 256-bit Trusted app Storage Key (TSK) then stored in the file's metadata
- The TSK is derived from the SSK and the TA UUID using `HMAC_SHA256`
  - Prevents TA2 from accessing data owned by TA1 when REE FS files are moved from storage area of TA1 to TA2
- The SSK is derived from a Hardware Unique Key (HUK) and a constant string using `HMAC_SHA256`



# Encryption (2)

- REE FS, SQL FS:
  - Metadata are always authenticated and encrypted
  - Data may or may not be authenticated and encrypted depending on CFG\_ENC\_FS (default: y)
  - Algorithm is AES-GCM
- RPMB FS:
  - Metadata are never encrypted
  - Data may or may not be encrypted depending on CFG\_ENC\_FS.
  - Data and metadata are always authenticated (RPMB protocol)
  - Data encryption algorithm is AES-CBC with ESSIV (no need for GCM as above because authentication is handled by RPMB)



# xtest updates

- Test all supported backends
  - Client application automatically includes `conf.h` generated during OP-TEE build, so all `CFG_*` settings may be used
  - `xtest 6xxx` loops on all supported storage IDs
- Test TA storage isolation
  - `xtest 6015`
  - Checks that two TAs won't share data
  - Checks that REE FS can't be fooled into opening data storage belonging to another TA
- Concurrency test
  - `xtest 6016`
  - 4 threads (pthread) run a loop, invoking the storage TA to perform create/write/verify/delete on distinct objects. TA has `TA_FLAG_MULTI_SESSION`.



# What's next?

- RPMB: don't program key unless some debug/testing CFG\_ is set
- Improve derivation of SSK from HUK
  - Should be done by the hardware crypto module. HUK should never be read by software.
  - Unfortunately, we have no such driver upstream :(
- Anti-rollback protection and controlled rollback for storage owned by non-secure OS: how?
- Prevent TA impersonation
  - Per-TA signing keys and use root key to sign key pairs only (not the TA itself)
  - Not only restricted to storage
- Further code simplifications?
- Is SQL FS useful? Should it replace REE FS? When?





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