

Vigilare : 시스템 무결성을 보장하는 하드웨어 기반 상시 보안감시자를 목표로

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Our research goal

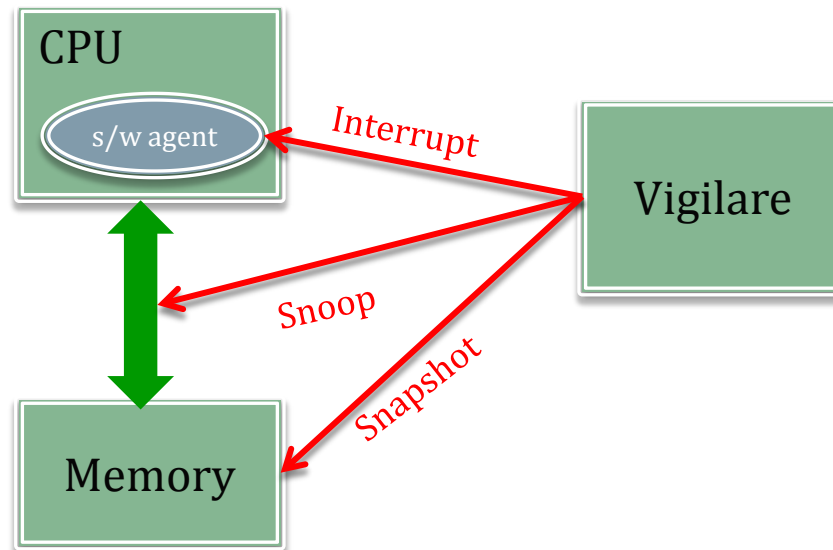
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- 전통적인 3가지 Security types
 - Confidentiality
 - 허락 되지 않은 사용자가 정보의 내용을 알 수 없도록 하는 것
 - Integrity
 - 허락 되지 않은 사용자가 정보를 함부로 수정할 수 없도록 하는 것
 - Availability
 - 허락된 사용자가 정보에 접근하려 하고자 할 때 방해 받지 않도록 하는 것
- 우리 연구 주제: 어떻게 보안성을 유지 할 것인가?
 - *Purely software based monitoring system*
 - *Hardware based or hardware supported monitoring system*

Vigilare

- *Hardware based integrity monitoring system*
- Missions of Vigilare
 - Host system(CPU, memory)에서 일어나는 행동을 항상 감시
 - 감시 기능의 customized & distributed 연산으로 저전력 고성능 실현
 - Host의 보안 감시 기능을 isolated 환경에서 실행해서 safer 감시 실현



Code errors

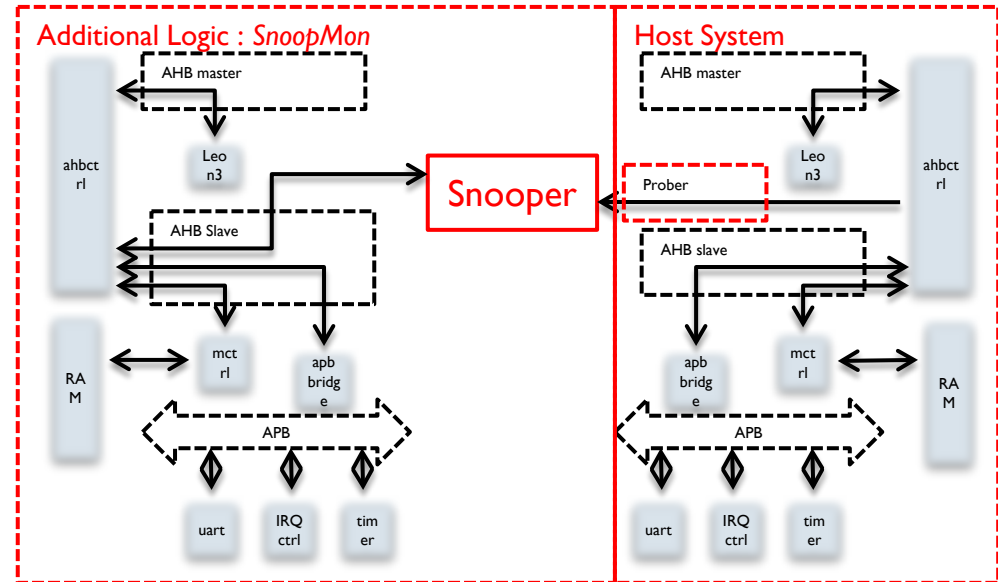
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- Computer system에서 발생할 수 있는 오류의 원인
 - Anything that causes abnormal behavior of SW or HW
 - Accidental & inadvertent Error
 - Software Bug
 - Hardware 오류 – soft/hard error
 - Intentional, malicious Error
 - 악성코드 (Malware)의 공격
- Vigilare 미션의 재해석
 - 어떻게 악성코드에 의한 오류 감시 및 방지?

초기 연구 결과 (2011 가을 – 2012 봄)

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- Vigilare version 1 구현
 - Hardware design and implementation on FPGA board
 - Malware attack model Implementation and test on Vigilare v.1
- 논문 게재



Vigilare : Toward Snoop-based Kernel Integrity Monitor

- H. Moon, H. Lee, J. Lee, K. Kim, Y. Paek and B.B. Kang
 - Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2012
 - ➔ Top conference in ACM SIGSAC group with acceptance rate < 20%
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Malware attack 유형들

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- Personal Identification Stealing
 - 은행 계좌 및 인증 정보
 - 게임 계정
 - 프라이버시
- Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) for Corporate Espionage
 - 기업 핵심 기술 유출
 - 고급 내부 정보 습득
- Used as Tool for Other Cybercrimes
 - DDoS ← embedding time-bomb in numerous machines to shutdown normal services with heavy workloads

공격 위치에 따른 분류

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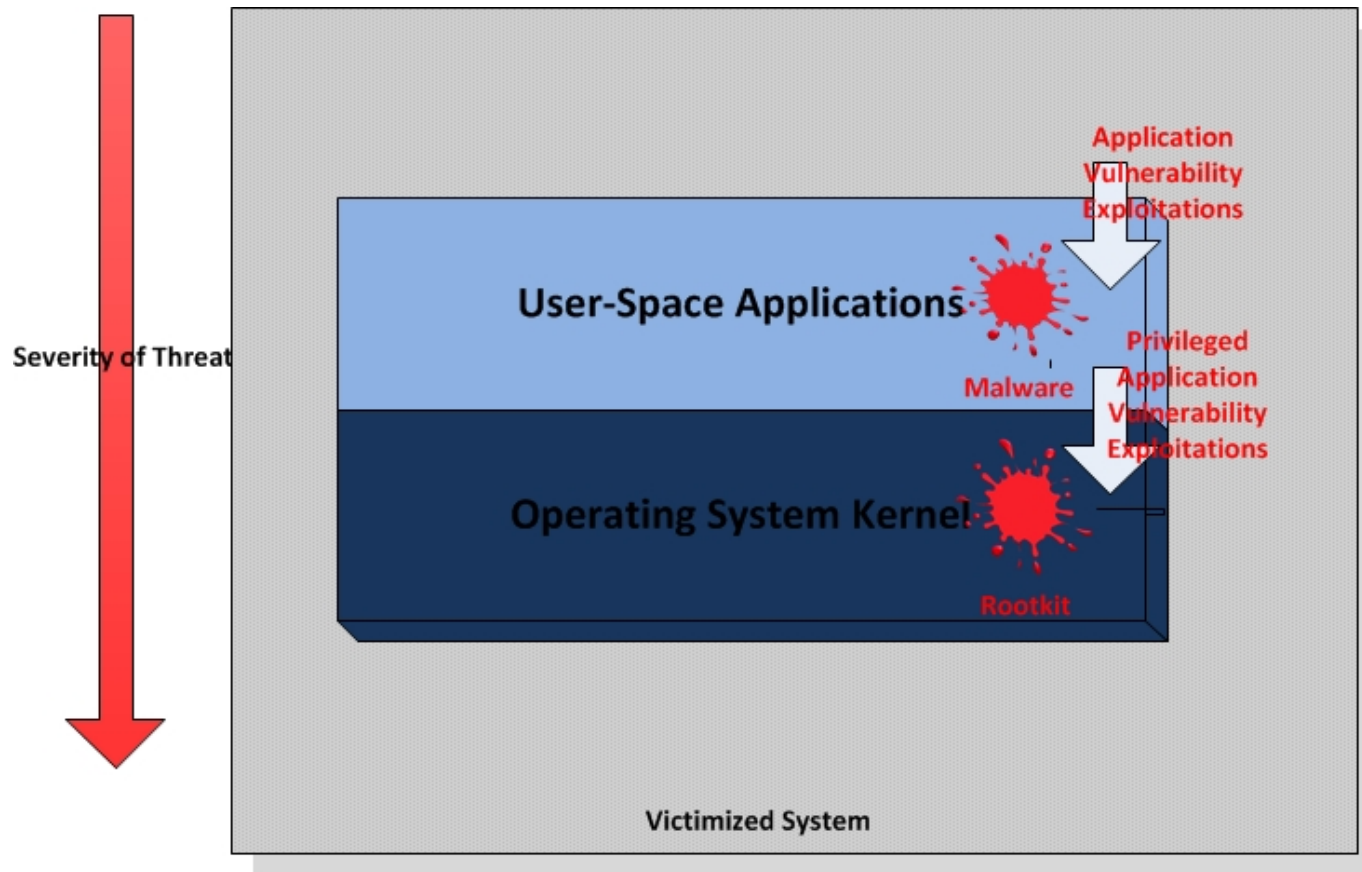
□ User space

- 수행할 수 있는 악성 행위가 제한적
- 응용의 특성 및 동적 행위 파악이 되면 탐지가 비교적 용이

□ Kernel space (Rootkit)

- 이 region에 대한 공격 수단으로 일반적으로 **rootkit**이라는 kernel 수준의 권한을 불법적으로 획득한 소프트웨어 tool을 사용
- 시스템이 접근 가능한 모든 장비와 커널 수준의 데이터를 임의로 접근 및 변조 가능
- 모든 시스템 상태에 의존하는 다른 응용 등에 거짓 상태 보고 가능
- 백신등의 탐지도구와 동등한 (또는 Android 같은 경우에는 심지어 더 우월한) 권한으로 동작
 - 백신을 무력화 가능
 - 백신의 탐지 메커니즘을 파악/회피

States of system compromise



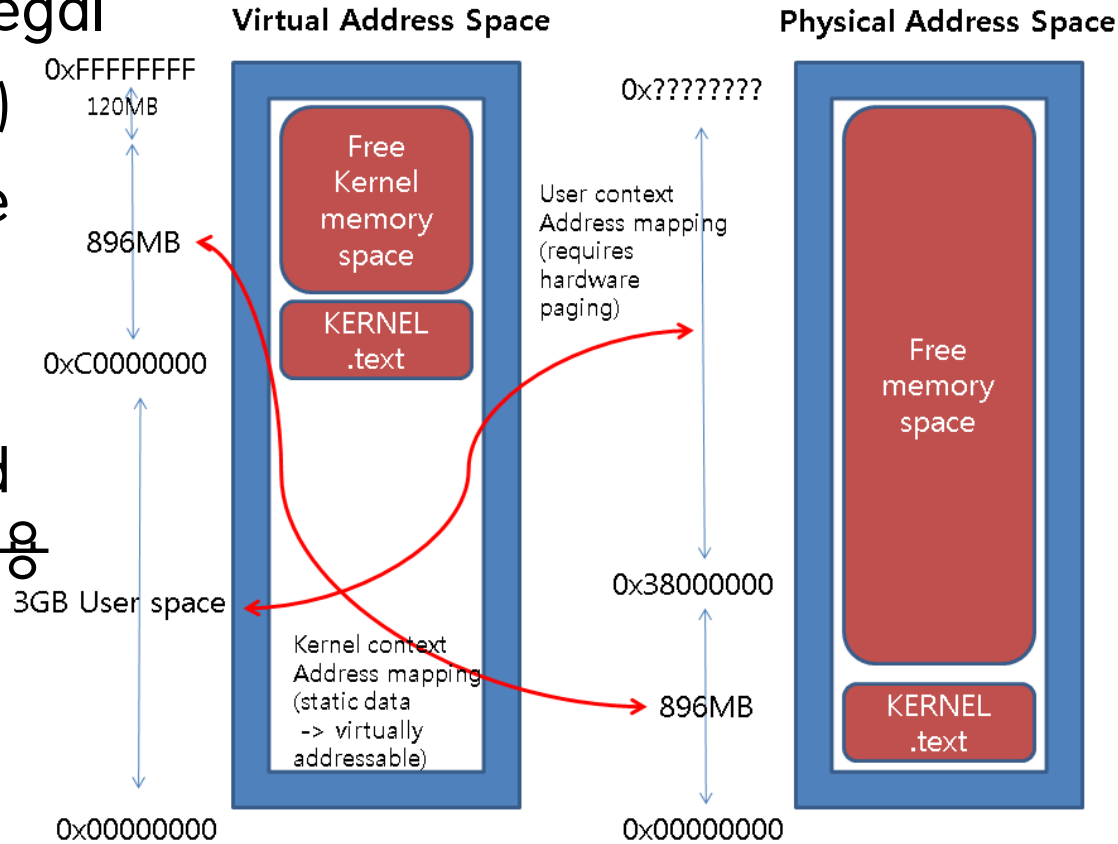
공격 위치 1: Kernel Static Region

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- This is immutable region, so any access/modification is illegal
- Text segment (Kernel code)
- Interrupt Descriptor Table
- Sys_call_table
 - Dispatch system calls
- Linux에서 linear-mapped kernel virtual address 사용
 - 외부 HW에서 감시 가능

Mapped statically → simple to trace because violation is verdicted based on structural rules (analogy: lexical/syntax analysis in compiler)

32bit Linux on x86

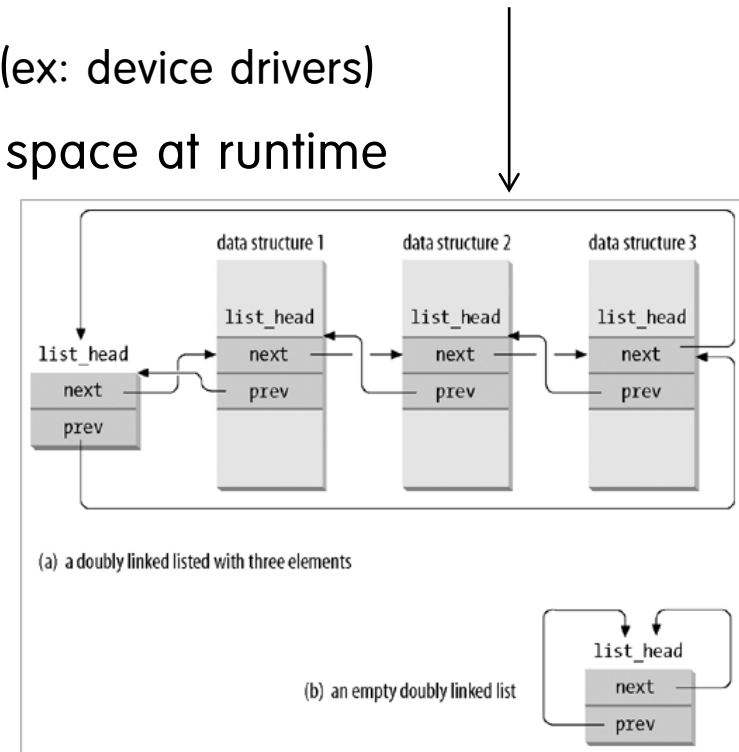


공격 위치 2: Kernel Dynamic Region

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- Accesses/modifications are possible in principle but some that cause semantic mismatch are illegal (ex: removing a process entry from process table)
- Loadable Kernel Modules (LKMs)
 - Makes monolithic kernel more flexible. (ex: device drivers)
 - Dynamically loaded into kernel memory space at runtime
- Task linked list (process table)
 - Dynamically created/deleted at runtime
- Virtual File System structure
 - Varies with time

Protection region has to be calculated for every change → more complex and time consuming because violation is determined by behavioral rules (analogy: semantic analysis)



공격 위치 3: User Memory Region

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- Allocated in ZONE_HIGHMEM area
 - No linear address mapping, so difficult to pinpoint the exact location of wanted objects or data structures
- Virtual memory is managed by kernel
 - CR3 -> Page directory -> Page Table -> Page Frame Number
- Shared Library, Page fault
 - Makes attack analysis more complex.

Non linear address mapping, shared library, page faults, app-specific security requirements → Identifying data structure, protection domain becomes more difficult and app-specific because definition of violation differs from app to app or case by case at run time (analogy: runtime error checks)

1st goal of Vigilare

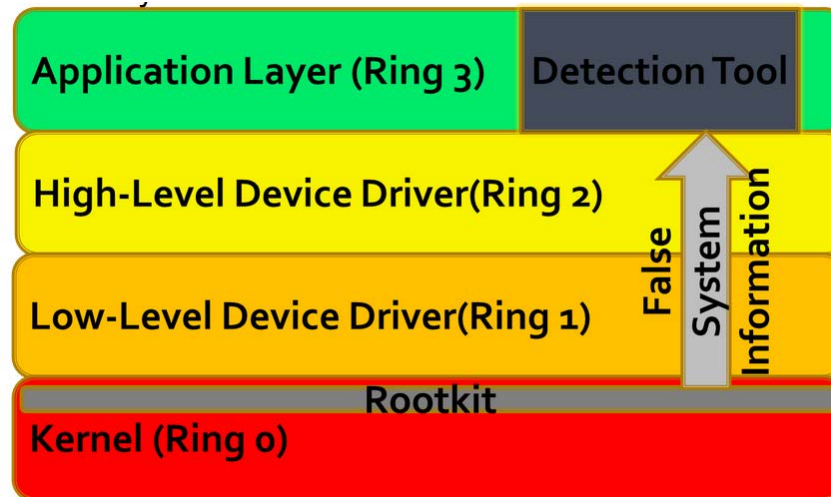
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- Kernel static region에 대한 감시 기능 수행
- Rootkit 공격 예제
 - Static hooks/patching
 - 시스템 콜 Hooking
 - 커널코드의 static patching (jmp insertion)
 - DKOM (Dynamic Kernel Object Manipulation)
 - PCB (Process Control Block) 조작 for Process Hiding
 - Filesystem Manipulations (ex: File Hiding, Content Filtering)

How Rootkit works

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- a class of malware that manipulates OS kernel itself
- Perpetuates privileged access to the victim
- Hides its traces by modifying kernel's system information reporting functions
- Difficult to detect since it operates in the very core of the system



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Kernel integrity monitoring

- Fig 1: Monitor in application layer
 - Compromised OS kernel may disturb(?) the kernel monitor
- Fig 2: Monitor independent from OS kernel with VMM

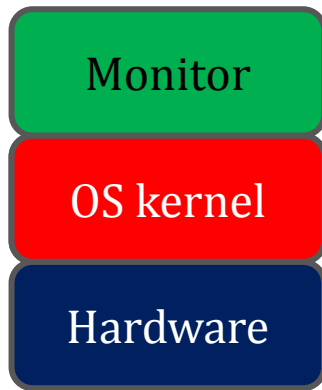


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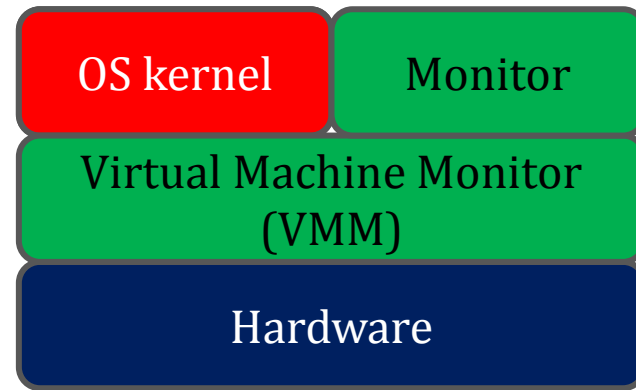


Fig 2

Kernel integrity monitoring

- Fig 3: Monitor independent from OS kernel with VMM
 - VMM can also be compromised!!
- Fig 4: Monitor independent from OS kernel with Hardware

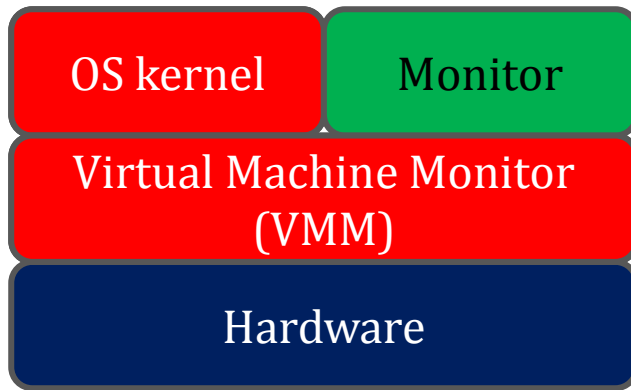


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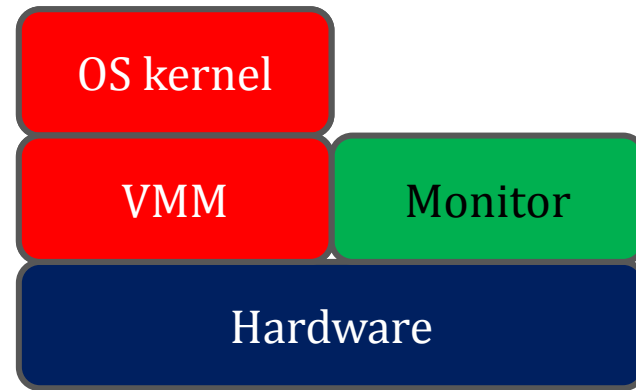


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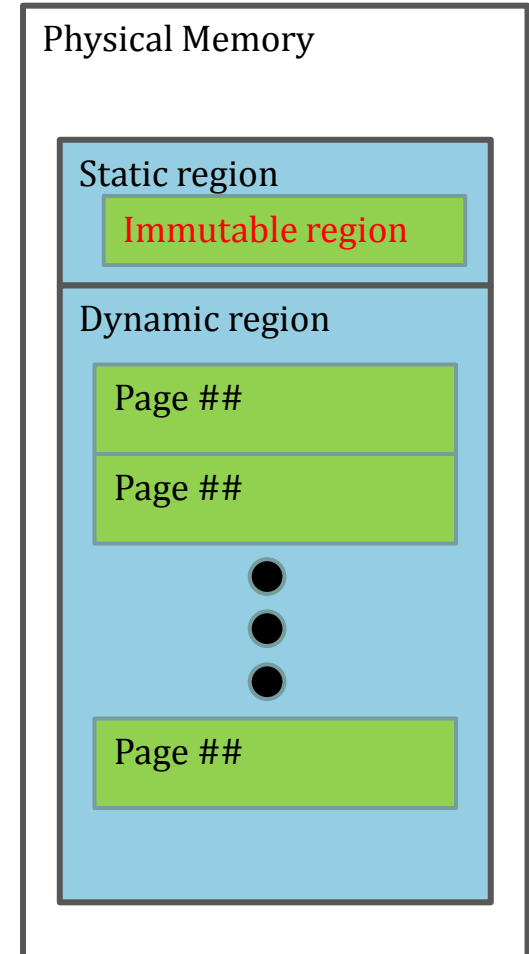
Previous work vs. Vigilare

	Copilot (Security 2004)	HyperSentry (CCS 2010)	Vigilare (CCS 2012)
Target	Static, immutable regions of Linux kernel	Static, immutable regions of Xen + guest memory isolation of Xen	Static, immutable regions of Linux kernel
How	Analyzing <u>periodic snapshots</u>	Calling in-context monitor <u>periodically</u>	<u>Snooping traffic</u> between processor and memory
Performance degradation	6-9%	0-5%	0%
Transient attacks	May miss	May miss	Detects all

Attack model (1/4)

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- Target: Kernel static/immutable region
 - Linux kernel is a program: needs codes and data
 - Data generated on runtime (task_struct, mm_struct, etc)
 - Stored in "pages"
 - Dynamic region
 - Most of the codes and some of the data should not be in "pages"
 - At least codes/data that manage "pages"
 - Static region
 - All codes and some data (e.g. sys call table) of the kernel should not be modified at runtime
 - **Immutable region**



Attack model (2/4)

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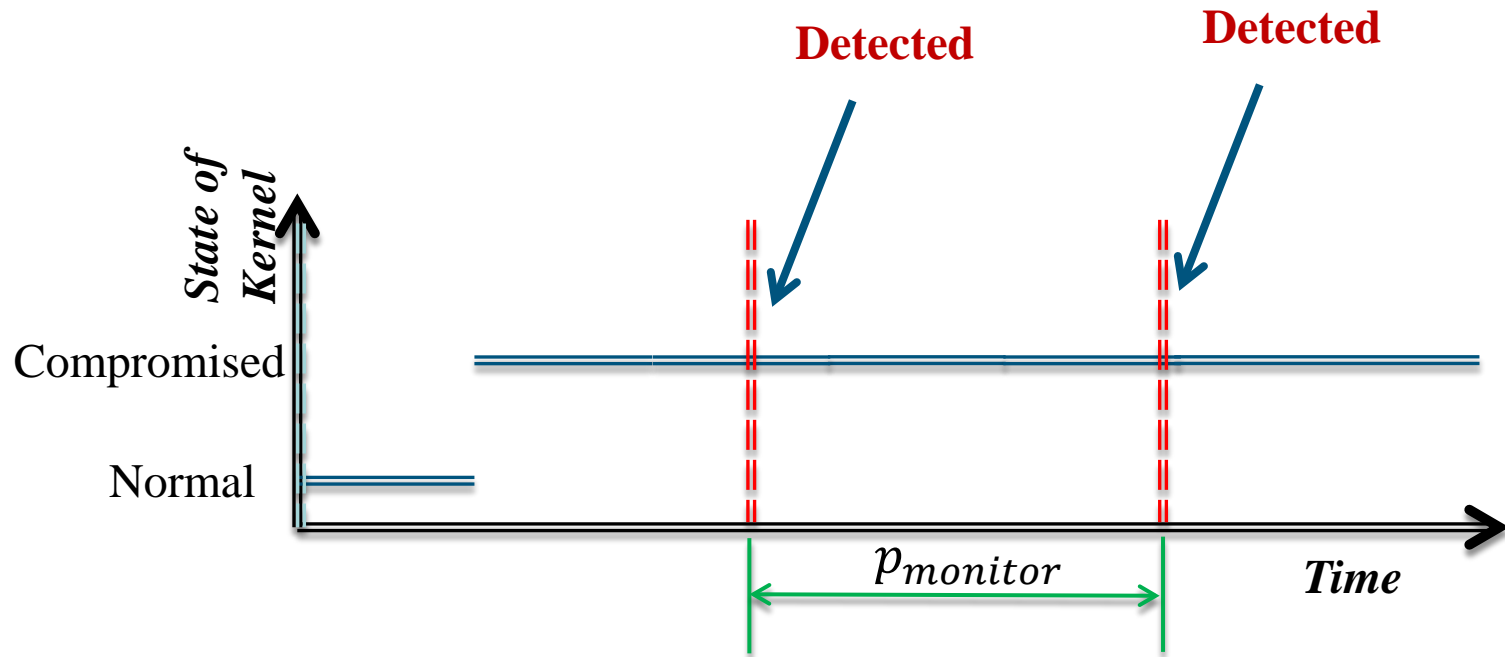


- Persistent attack model
- Transient attack model
 - Opposed to persistent attacks , traces of attacks in memory are not permanent
 - Possibly evade periodic scans
 - Our Transient Rootkit
 - Modifies and Restores kernel code at a fixed time intervals

Attack model (3/4)

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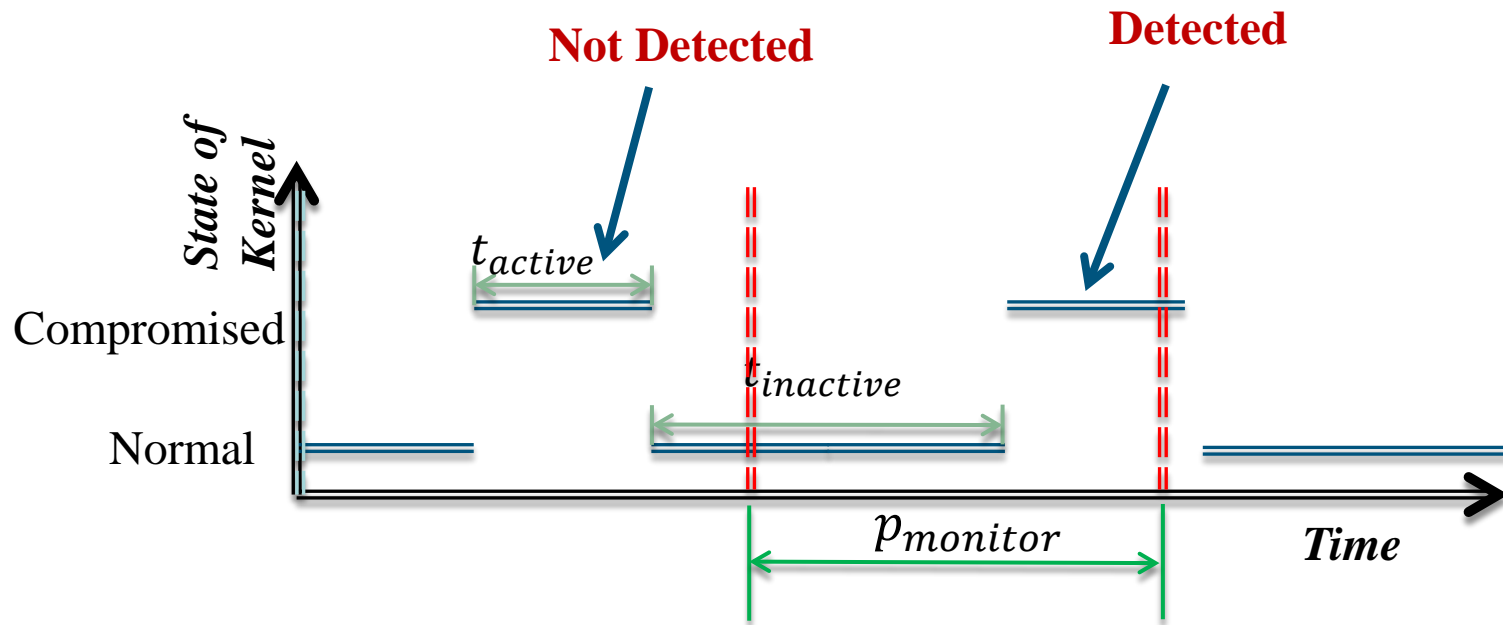
- Persistent attacks
 - Previous approach works



Attack model (4/4)

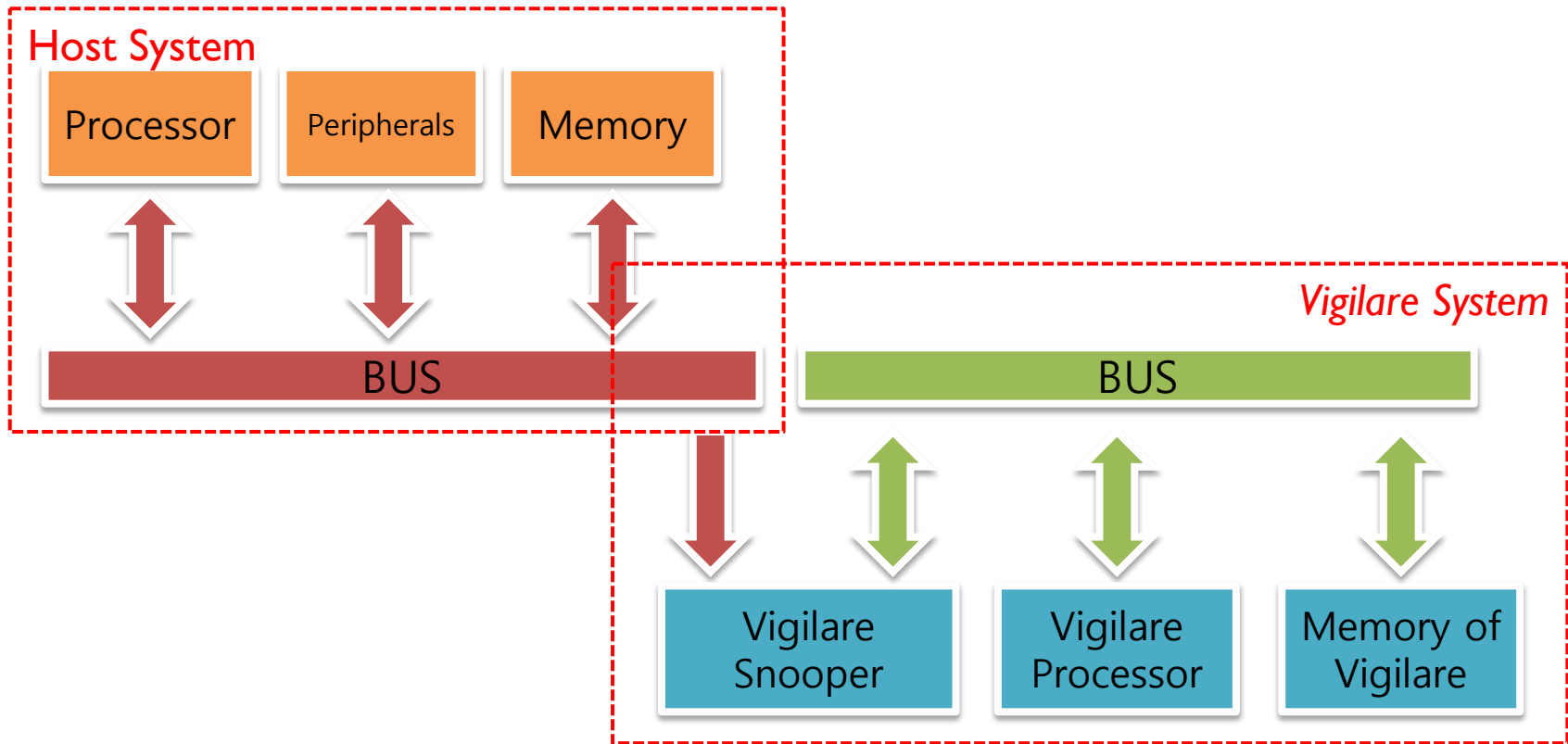
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- Transient attacks
 - Previous periodic monitoring may fail to detect an attack
 - Our attack model: transient attacks on kernel static/immutable region



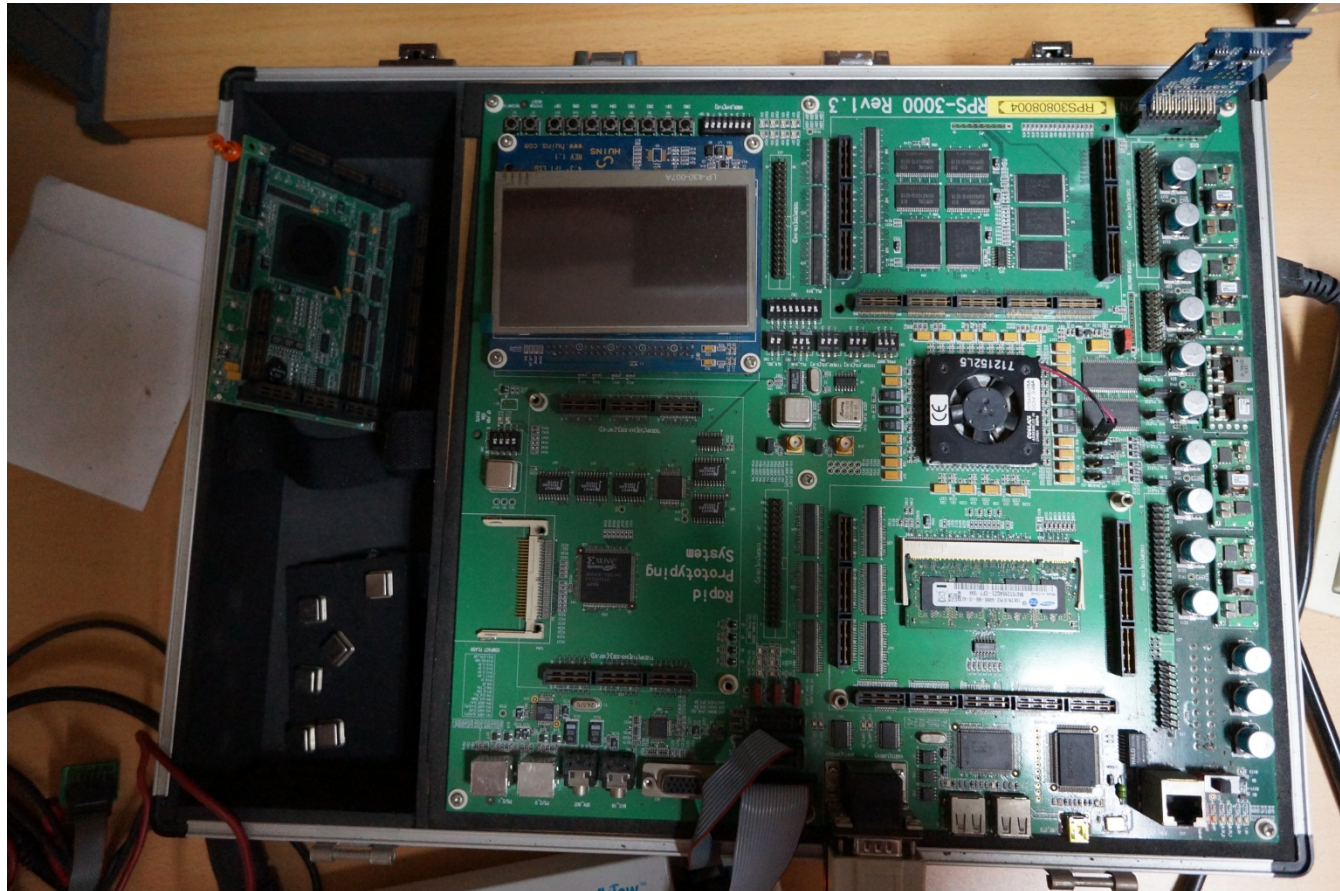
Design and Implementation (1/7)

- Conceptual design of a system with Vigilare System



Design and Implementation(2/7)

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Design and Implementation(3/7)

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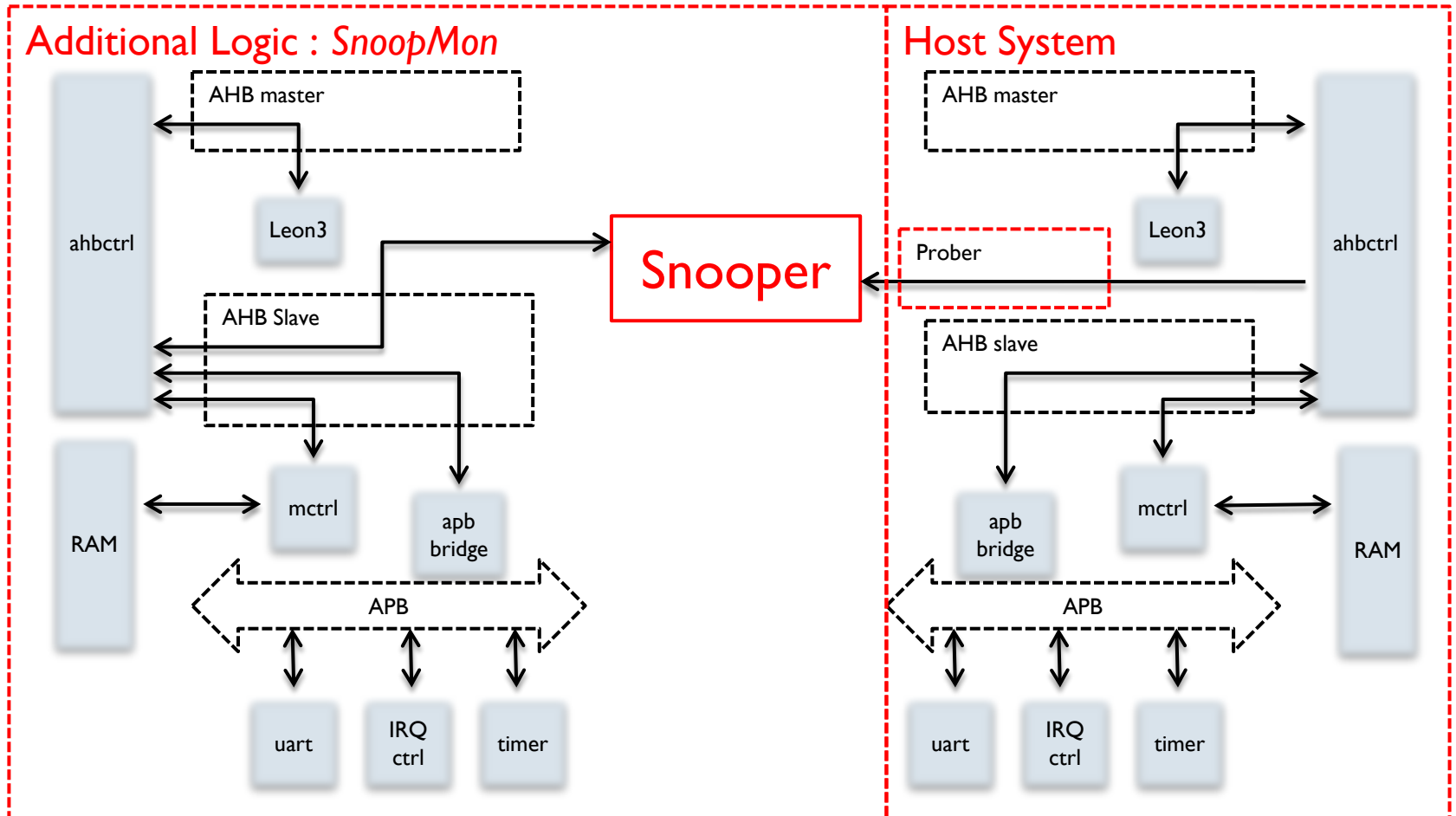


- Design spec.
 - Host system
 - 50MHz Leon 3 processor (SPARC V8)
 - 64MB SDRAM
 - SnoopMon
 - 50MHz Leon 3 processor (SPARC V8)
 - 2MB SRAM
 - Snooper
 - SnapMon
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 - 2MB SRAM
 - Direct Memory Access (DMA)
 - Hash accelerator



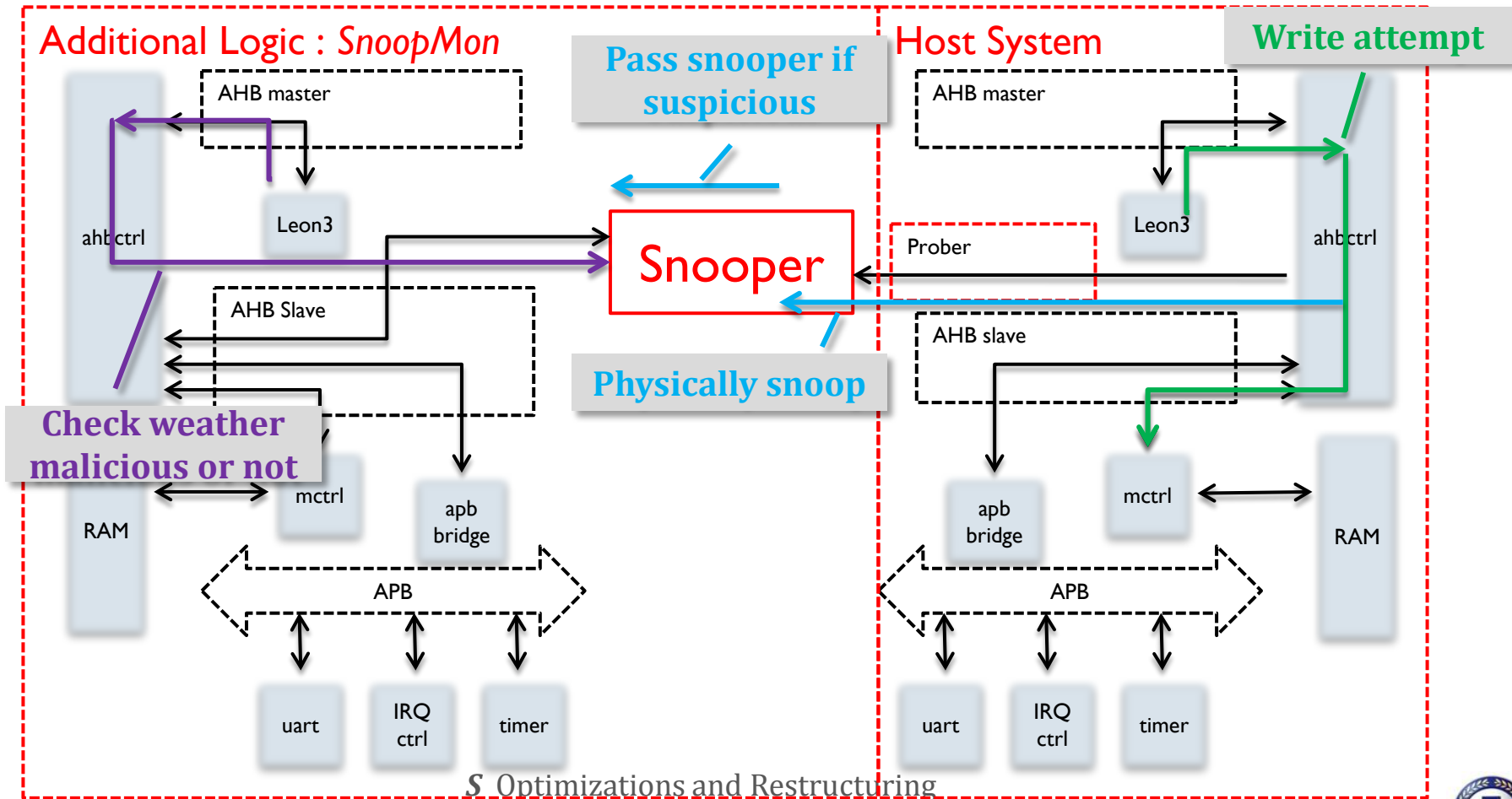
Design and Implementation(4/7)

- The prototype we used for experiment (SnoopMon)



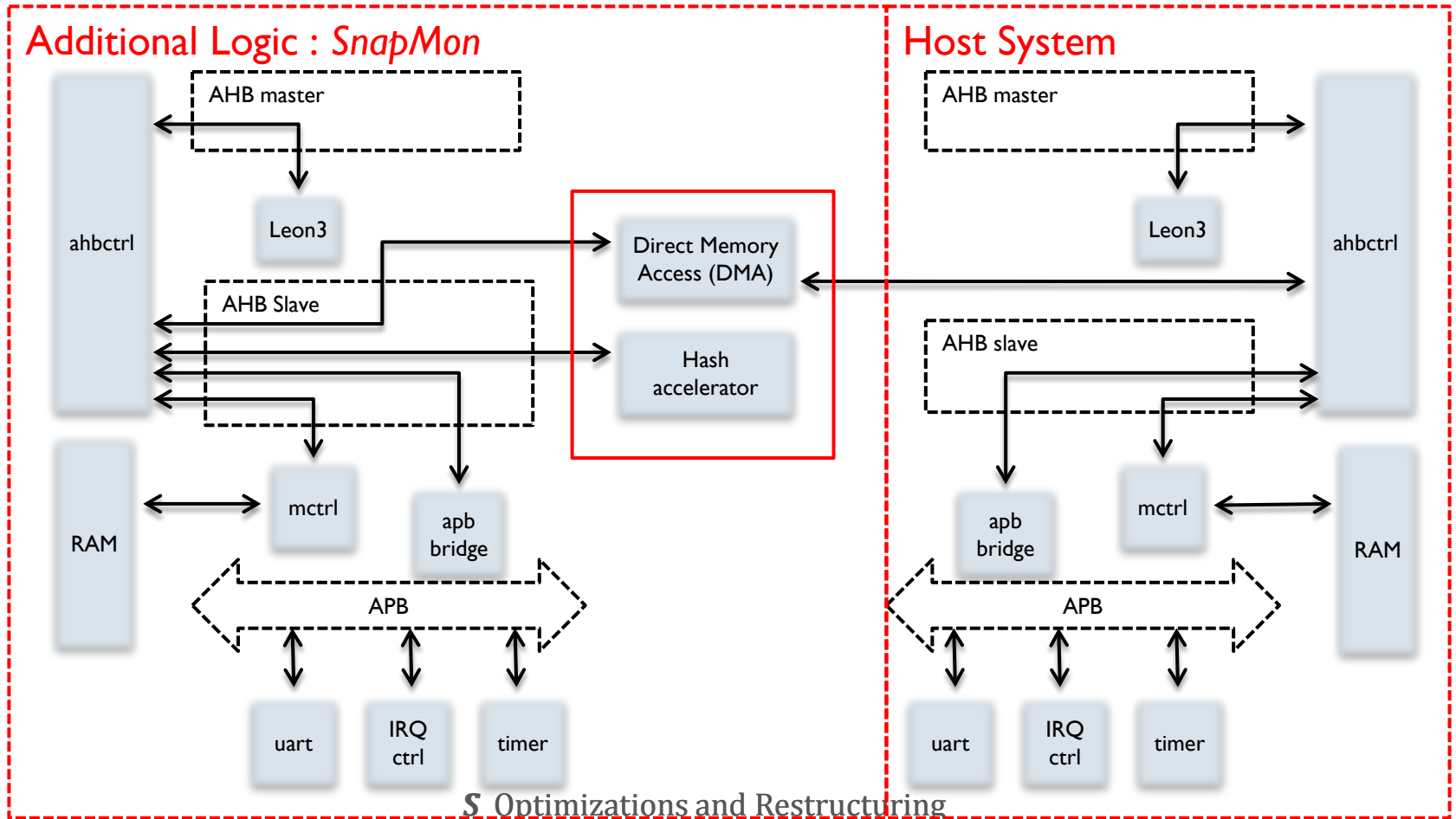
Design and Implementation(5/7)

How SnoopMon works



Design and Implementation(6/7)

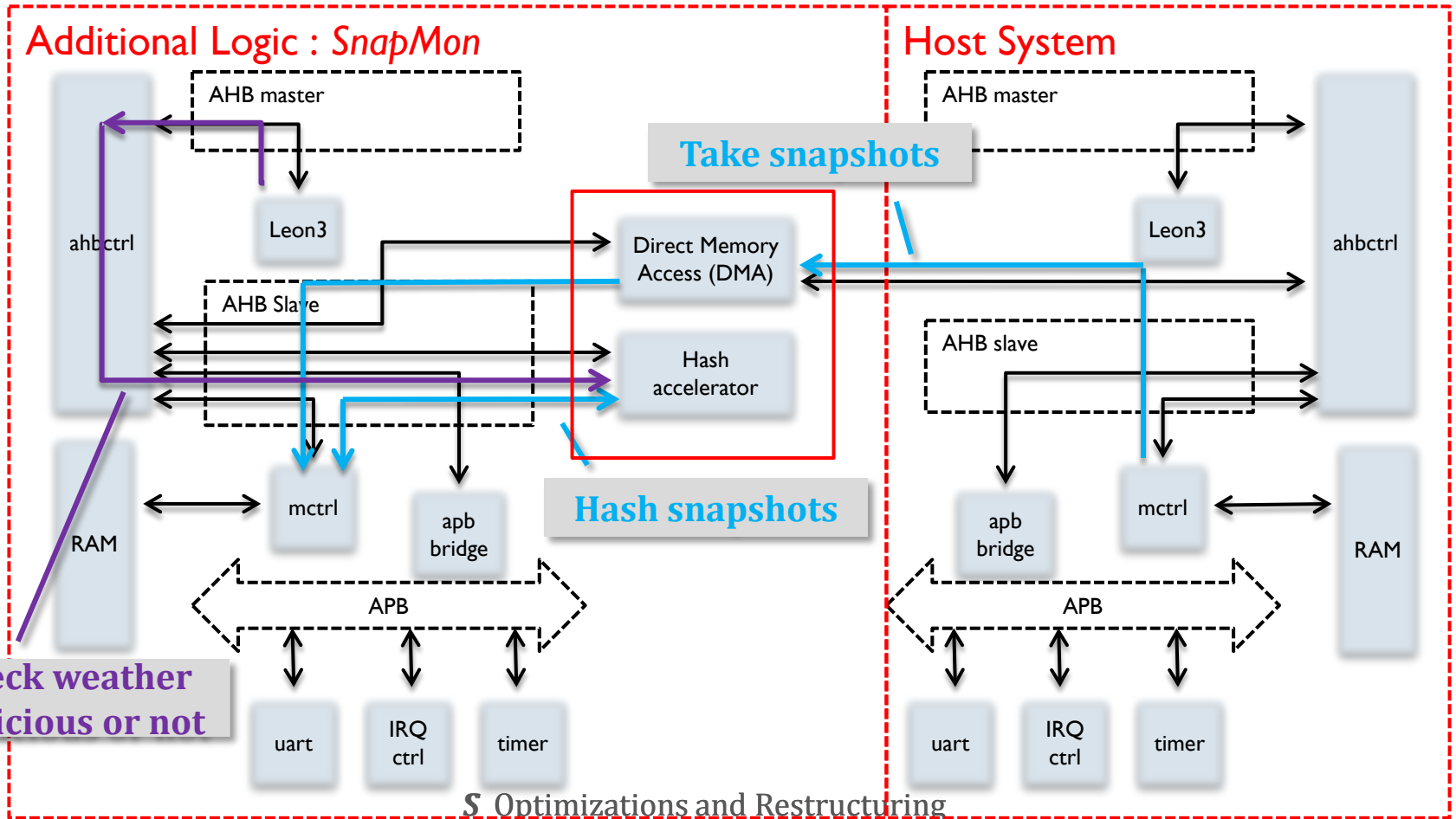
□ Copilot-like snapshot monitor (SnapMon) example



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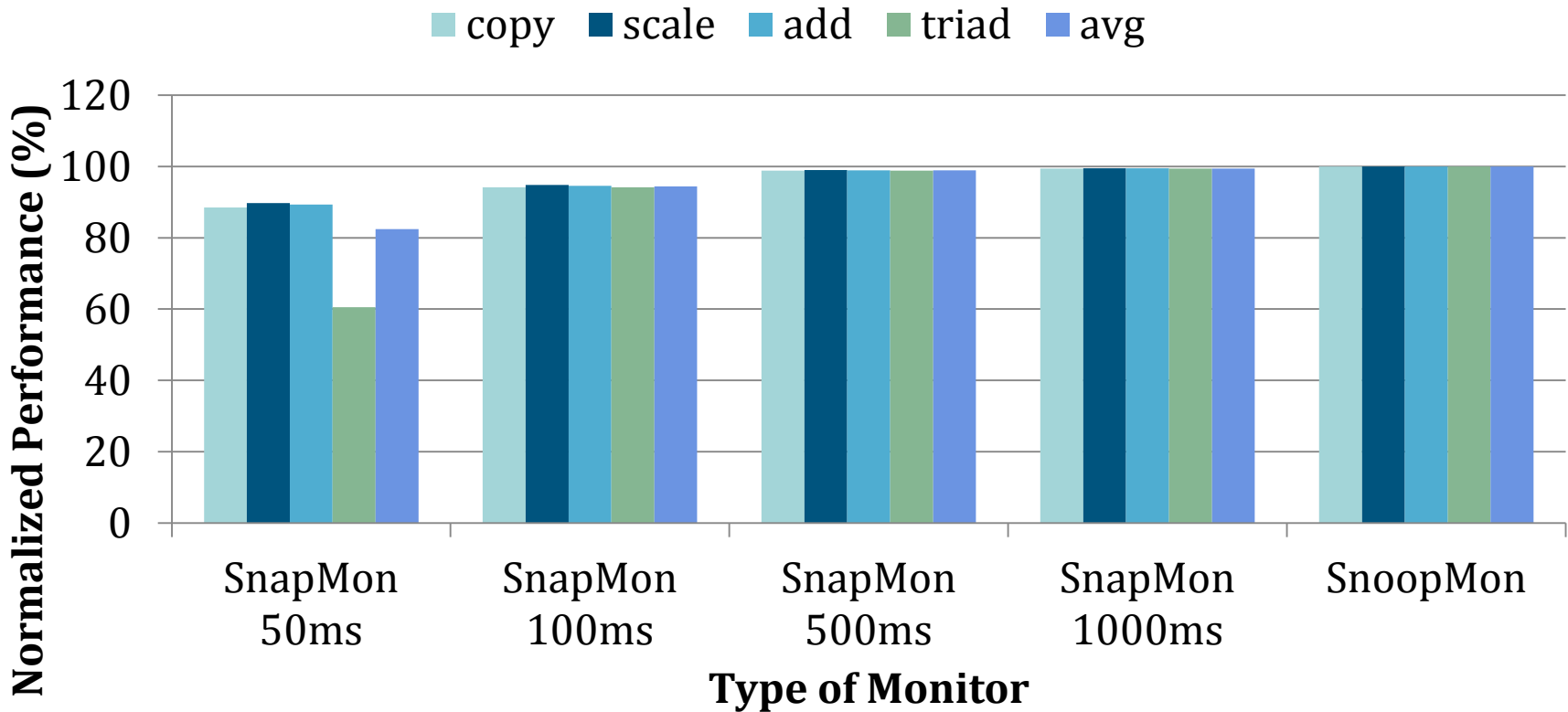
Design and Implementation(7/7)

How SnapMon works



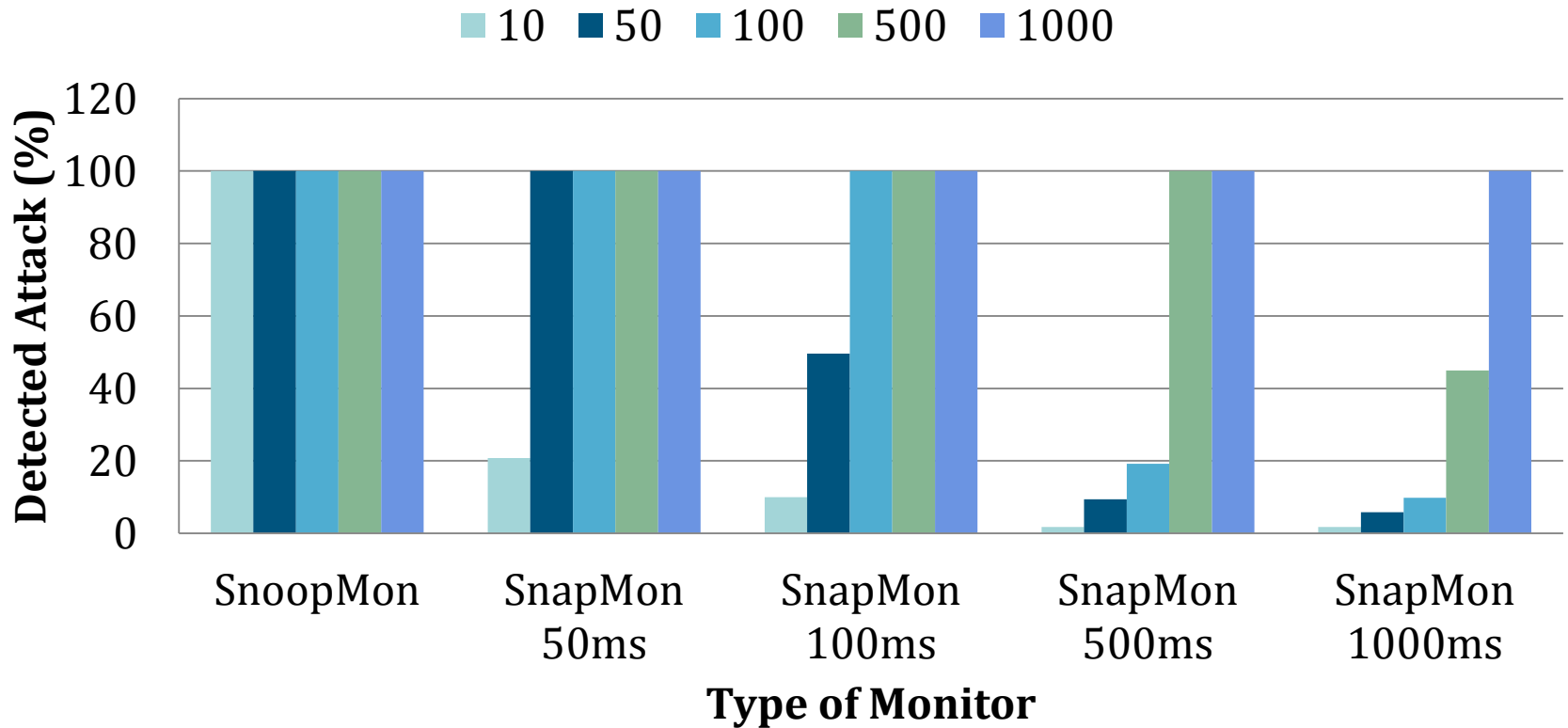
Evaluation (1/3)

□ Performance degradation



Evaluation (2/3)

□ Transient attack detection



Evaluation (3/3)

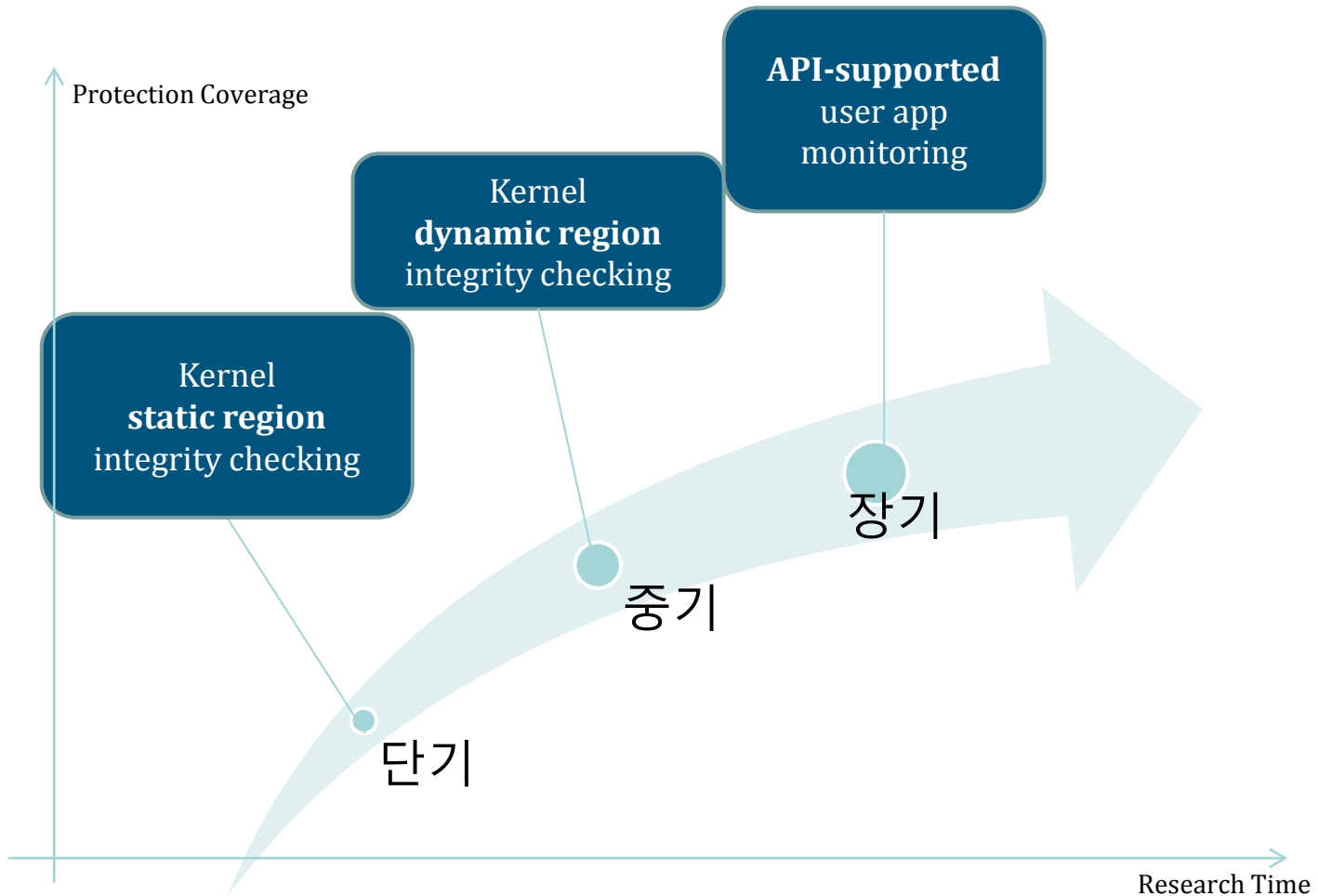
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- Fundamental trade-off of SnapMon
 - Longer period, less performance degradation
 - Longer period, less ability to detect transient attacks

- No such trade-off does SnoopMon have
 - Detect all transient attacks
 - No performance degradation

Overall roadmap in big picture

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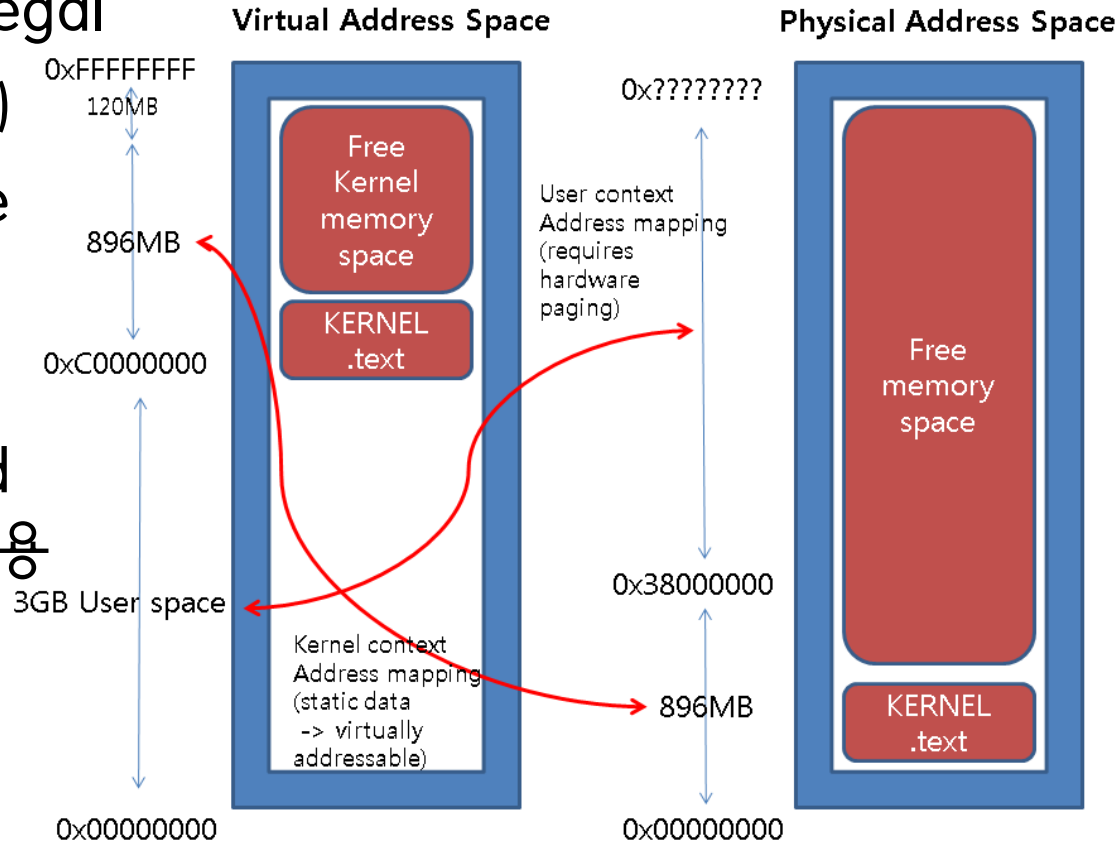
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We have implemented basic Vigilare hardware platform for the attacks on this region.

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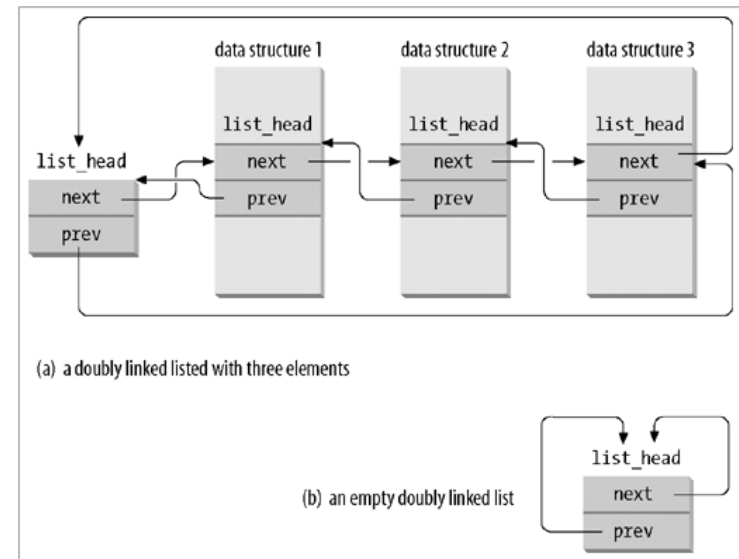


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The next research topic!
We are enhancing our Vigilare architecture to handle the attack on these regions



Roadmap - 단기

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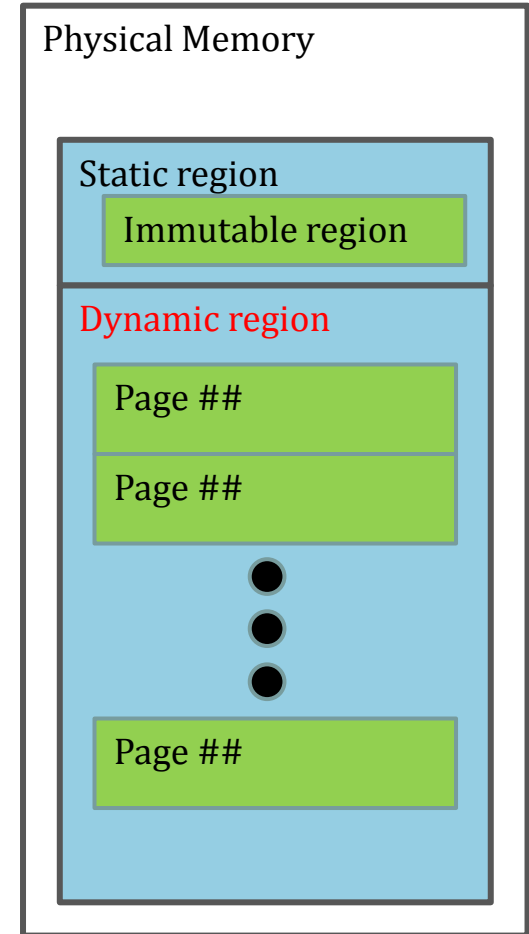


1. Kernel dynamic region에 대한 공격에 대한 방어 수단 구축
2. 기존에 구현된 Vigilare System을 보다 현실적 환경에 특화된 구조로 변경해 구현
 - 국내 스마트폰 제조사와 차세대 스마트폰 보안 장비 개발
 - 스마트폰의 AP SOC에 맞게 One chip 설계 중 → Vigilare version 2
 - 2개의 독립적 memory 모듈을 사용하는 Vigilare version 1은 일반적인 스마트폰에 적용하기에 한계가 있음
 - 한 개의 memory를 공유하면서 생기는 보안취약성 보안
 - ADD와 차세대 군 전자장비 보안 장치 개발 계획 중
 - Linux대신 군장비에 보편적인 VxWorks 같은 RTOS에 특화된 알고리즘 개발
 - 다양한 군사 전자 장비에 특화된 보안 attack 방법에 대한 대응

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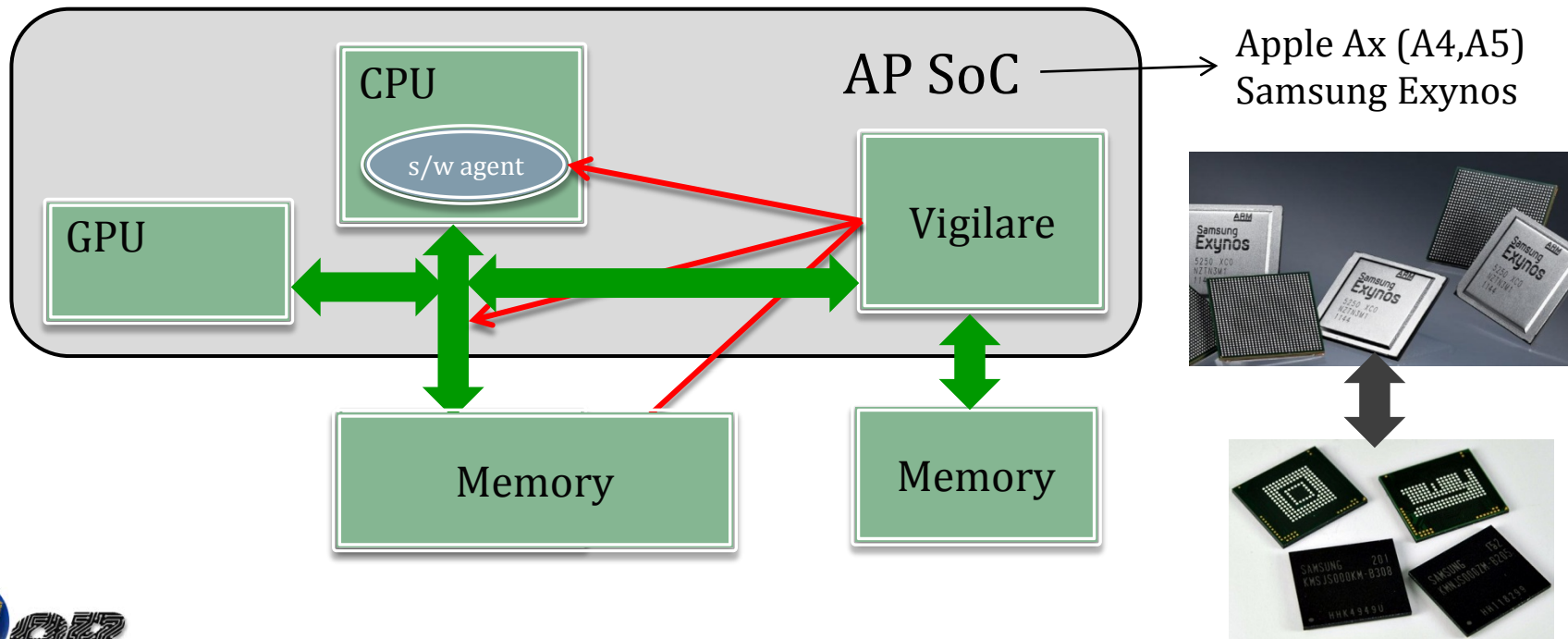
- Monitoring dynamic region
 - Challenges:
 - Locating a certain page
 - Physical addr to logical addr translation
- Monitoring mutable region
 - Challenges:
 - Designing integrity policies:
 - "What is legal modification?"



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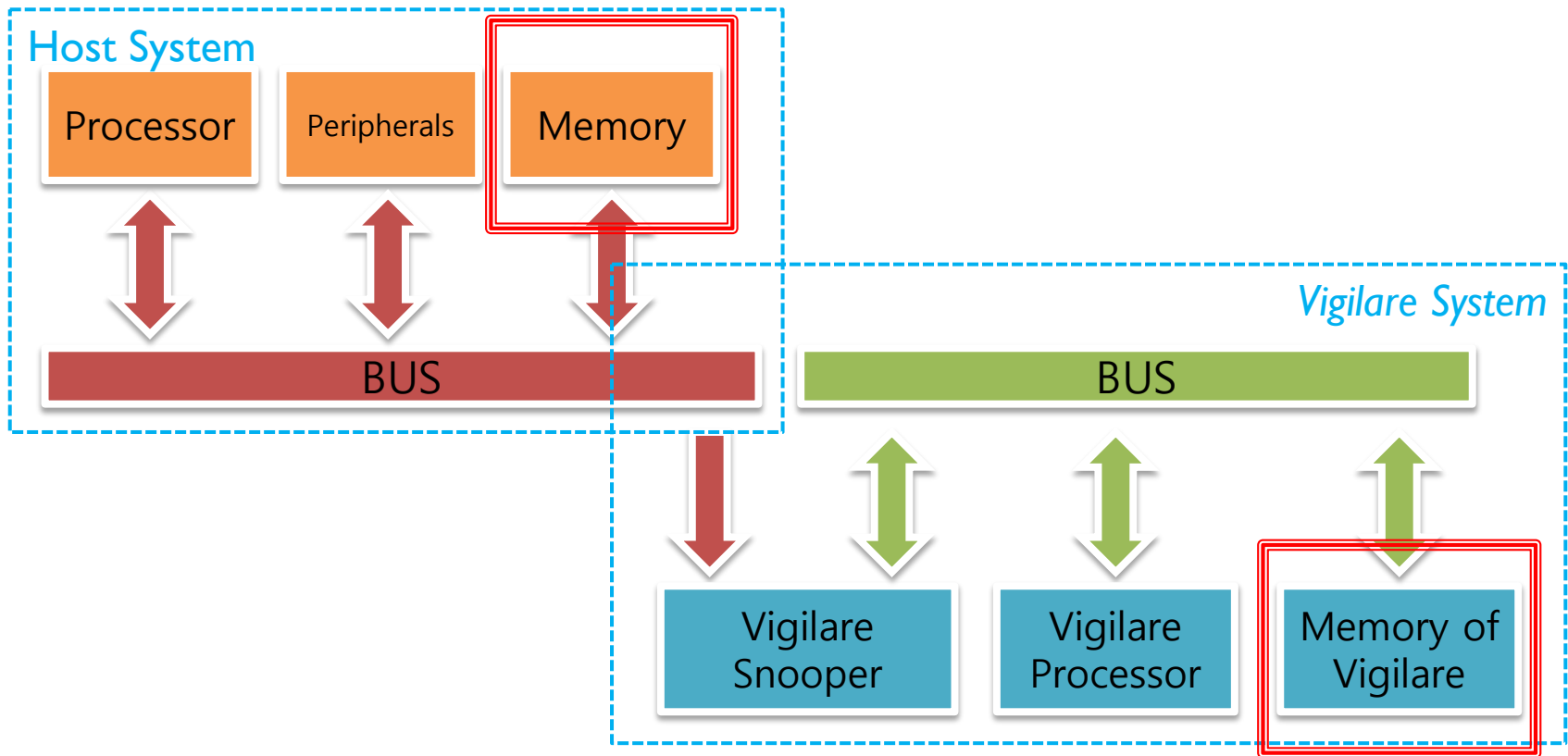
- 스마트폰에서는 모든 processor core들이 Application processor (AP) SoC안에 모두 integrated circuit으로 packaging 되고, 메모리는 모두 외부에 위치
- Vigilare v1은 그런 현실을 반영하지 못함



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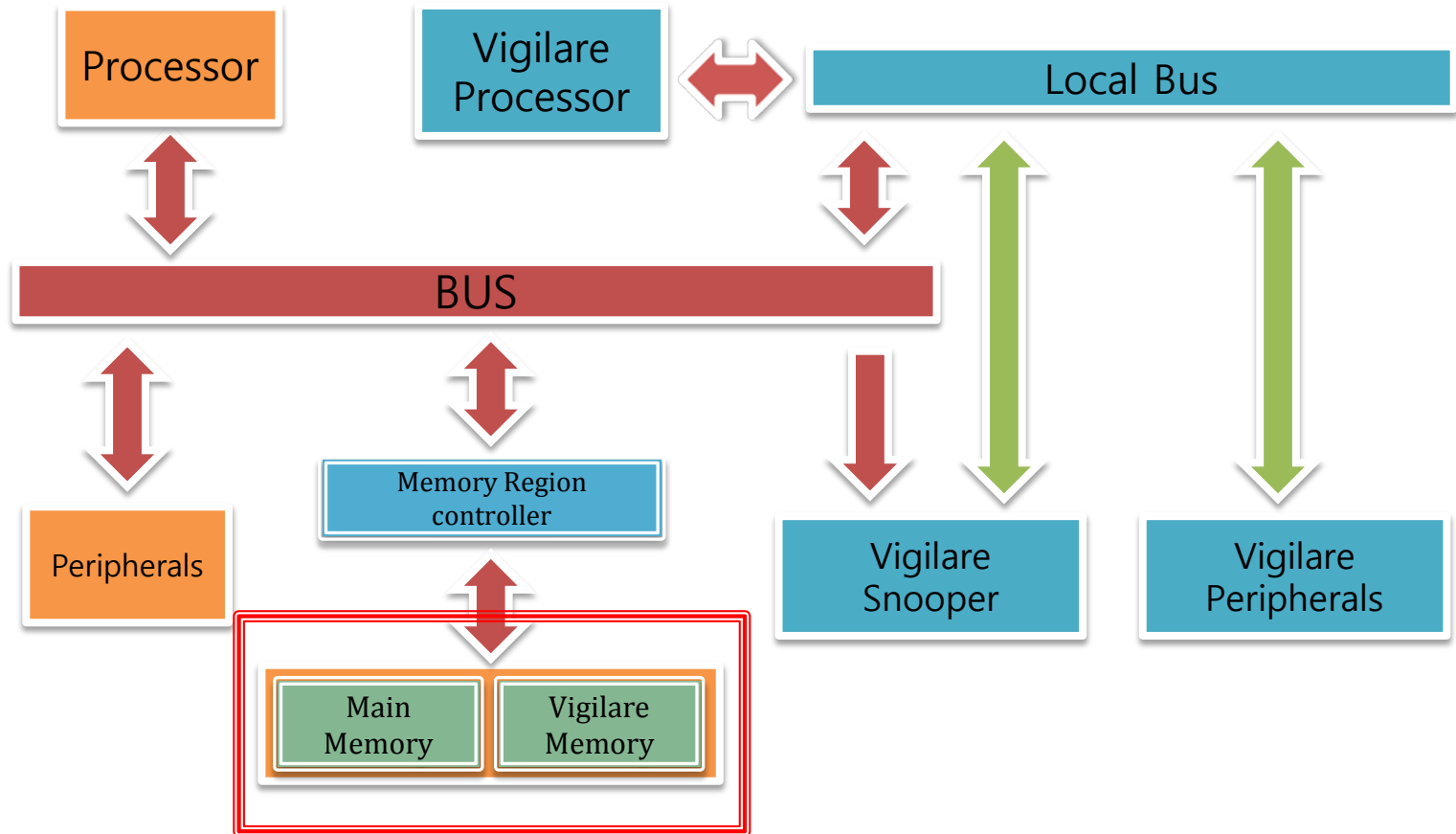
□ Old architecture revisited



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Roadmap - 단기

□ New Architecture for the work with AP SoC



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User Memory Region – 증장기

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- ❑ Allocated in ZONE_HIGHMEM area
 - ❑ No linear address mapping, so difficult to pinpoint the exact location of wanted objects or data structures
- ❑ Virtual memory is managed by kernel
 - ❑ CR3 -> Page directory -> Page Table -> Page Frame Number
- ❑ Shared Library, Page fault
 - ❑ Makes system more complex.

In a few years, we will deal with the attacks on user memory regions. We already have some ideas about it.

Roadmap - 중장기 목표

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- API support for monitoring user programs
 - Design APIs and supporting architectures for user programs
 - Monitor the integrity of user programs that used the APIs

 - Early stage: rely on information provided by developer
 - Advanced: generate more information by analyzing user programs

 - Possibly can be a new programming model
 - "Programming model for attack-tolerant application"

API support 예제

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- Monitoring Control Flow Integrity (CFI) of user apps
 - Why CFI?
 - Attacks on user app break CFI in many cases
 - One key challenge: defining "legitimate" control flow - CFI table
 - Relying on developer
 - Manually generate CFI table
 - Analyzing source/binary code
 - Automatically generate CFI table
 - Tools to assist developer
 - Interactively generate CFI table

API support 예제

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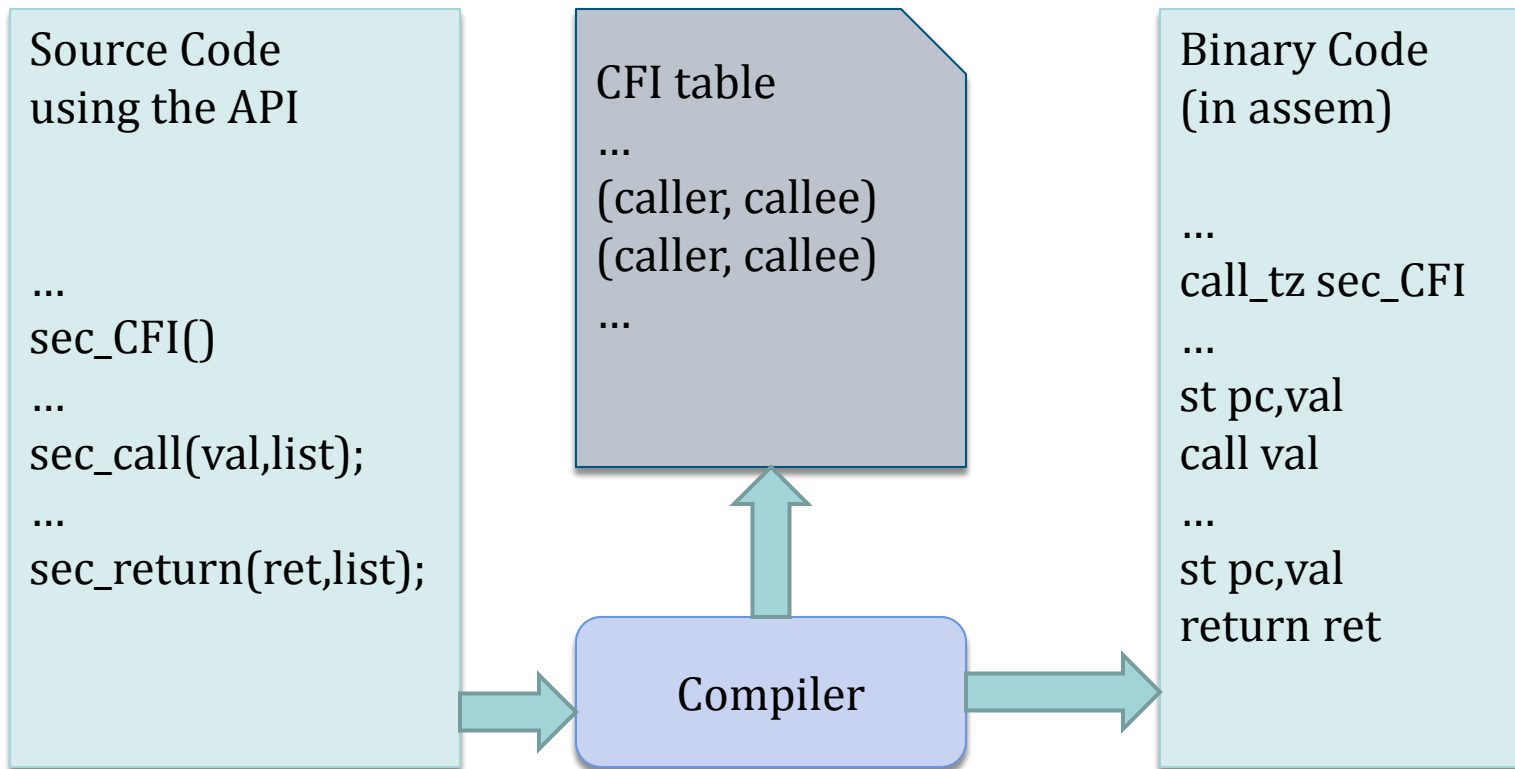


- Relying on developer
 - API 구성: return과 function pointer를 통한 function call을 대체하는 functions
 - `sec_return(ret, legal_functions[])`
 - `sec_call(function_pointer, legal_values[])`
 - CFI보호를 위한 table 작성에 사용
 - "code 분석" 에 대한 burden을 개발자에 전가
 - 이 app에 대한 CFI보호를 시작하도록 하는 function
 - `sec_CFI();`

API support 예제

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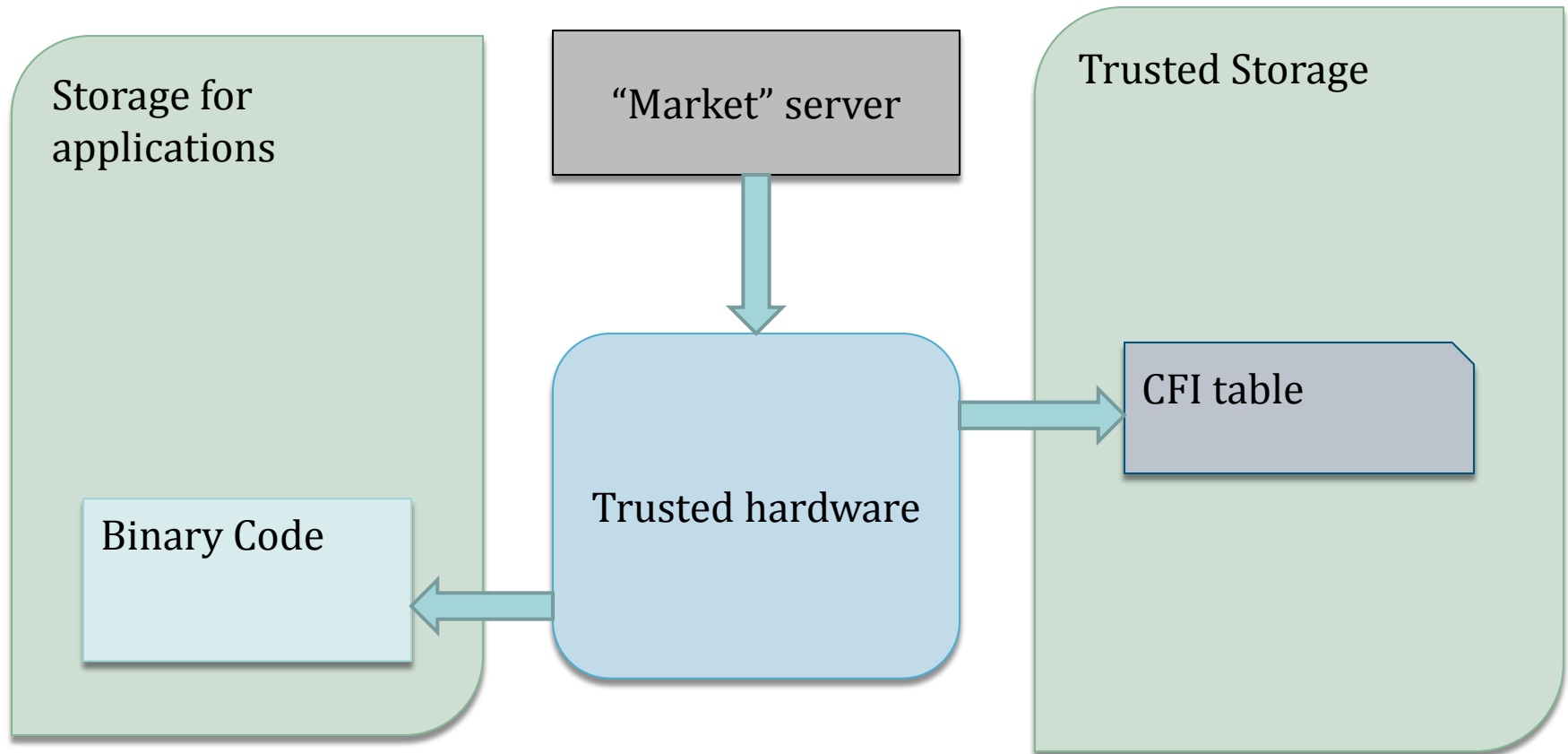
□ Compile time



API support 예제

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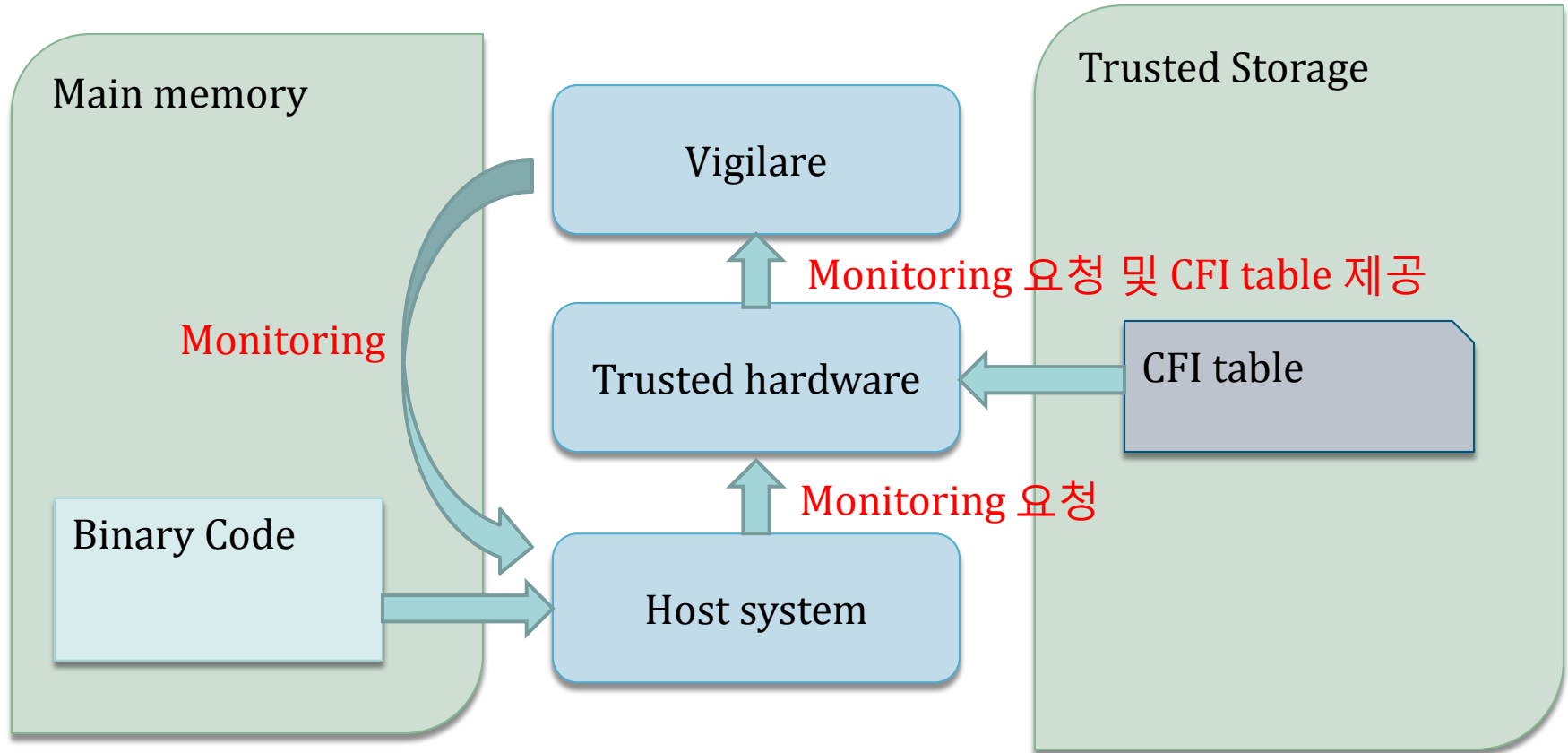
□ Install time



API support 예제

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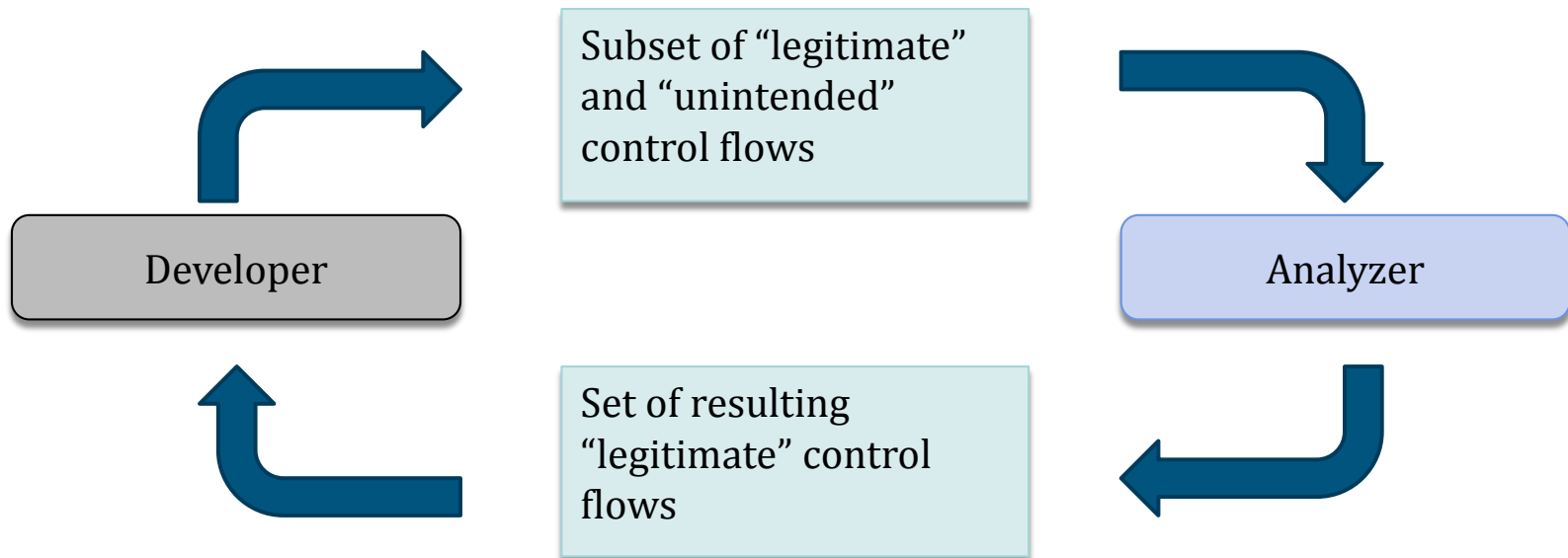
□ Runtime



API support 예제

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- Analyzing source/binary code
 - Difficult to generate control flow graph in general for binary codes
 - Resulting "legitimate" control flow may include "unintended" one
- Tools to assist developer



Vigilare API 활용가능성

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- CFI table: an example of app-specific information

- More examples:
 - Critical data protection
 - Critical data table
 - Secure data allocation in user application

 - Peripheral access control
 - Access permission table

Conclusion

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- Vigilare는 기존에 SW 기반의 Integrity monitoring 기법들을 하드웨어의 도움을 통해 more secure & energy-efficient, faster 하게 수행되도록 해주는 HW기반 보안감시장치
- Vigilare v1을 통해 본 연구의 feasibility를 입증
- 실제 스마트폰등에 적용을 위한 하드웨어 구조 개선이 현재 우리 연구실의 당면 목표 → 차세대 상용화 스마트폰에 탑재를 목표로 v2, v3로의 새 버전들 개발
- Vigilare API지원을 통해 Vigilare processor들을 Host에서 프로그래밍 가능하도록 하여, 다양한 user-level 보안 기능 지원 가능
 - 기존의 정적 분석 기술과의 결합도 가능