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About the Bootstrapping of Security in IoT

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The Challenge

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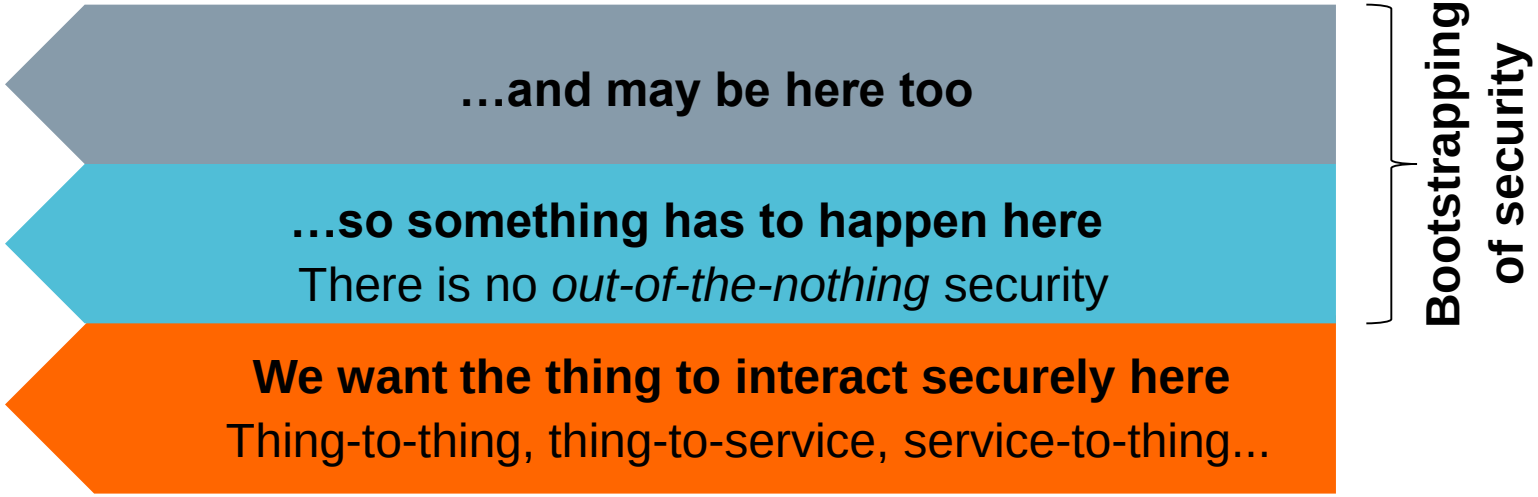
- Lifecycle of a thing (WoT/IoT/OT):
  - **Manufacturing phase**
    - *Manufactured*
  - **Bootstrapping phase**
    - *Installed*
    - *Commissioned*
  - **Operational phase**
    - *(Devices) started*
    - *Application running*
  - **Maintenance phase**
    - *Updated*
    - *Application reconfigured*
  - **Off-boarding phase**
    - *Decommissioned*
    - *Removed and replaced*
    - *Re-owned*



Common Practices

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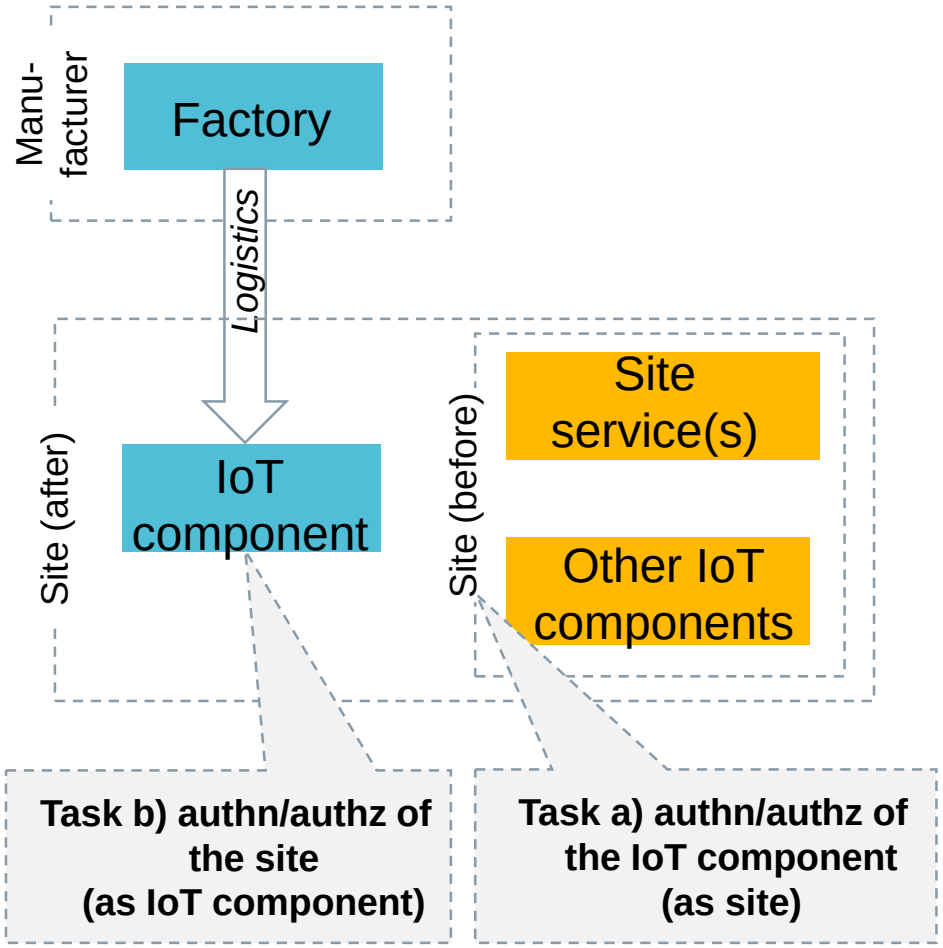
- *What solution properties do we find today - with respect to the bootstrapping of security?*
  - **Easy-to-use but not (really) secure**: naïve security (e.g. shared credentials) or no security at all

  OR
  - **Secure but not easy-to-use**: tedious handling, manual processing steps…

- *What do we not yet find?*
  - **Easy-to-use *AND* secure**

Not Yet Championed Task



- The overall **security challenge**: IoT component and site shall establish mutual trust
- Is comprised of following tasks:
  a) Site authenticates and authorizes the IoT component: *What is this component? Do I want it?*
  b) IoT component authenticates and authorizes the site: *What is this site? Should I join it?*
- Their hardness differs:
  a) is moderate; can be solved by using known recipes
  b) is hard and is **not yet solved** esp. when this task shall be done without manual intervention at the thing

Relevant Initiatives

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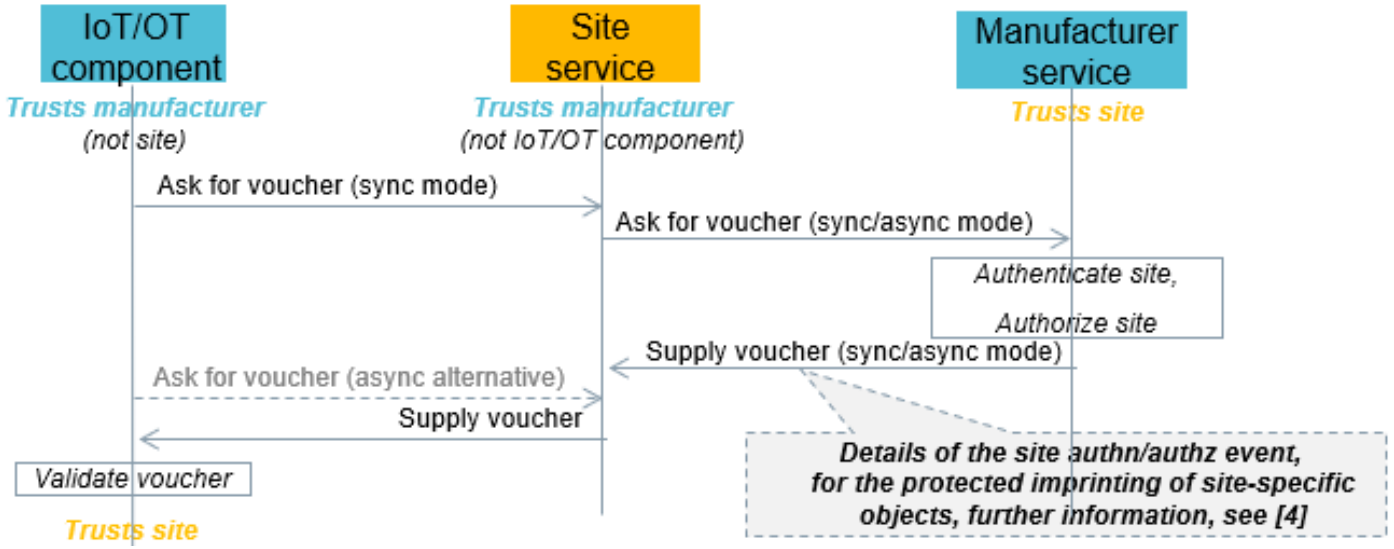
- Anima (IETF WG, BSRKI/EST)
- 6tisch Zero Touch (IETF WG Draft)
- 6tisch Minimal Security (IETF WG Draft)
- Netconf SZTP (IETF WG Draft)
- …(*not meant to be an exhaustive list*)



Their trick: ***let somebody else*** *(manufacturer service)* ***do the hard task***

Takeaways

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- Bootstrapping security is a **key concern** in WoT/IoT/OT. It is not yet championed to a full extent
- Important **innovations** and **adoptions** are happening right **now,** on international level e.g. the IETF Anima working group, the Fairhair Alliance or the Thread Group
- The emerging IETF Anima solution is in a leading position. It allows to **do more** than just security bootstrapping

Abbreviations

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Anima	Autonomic Networking Integrated Model and Approach
Authn	Authentication
Authz	Authorization
BRSKI	Bootstrapping Remote Secure Key Infrastructures
CA	Certification Authority
CoAP	Constrained Application Protocol
coaps	Access scheme for CoAP-over-DTLS
(D)TLS	TLS or DTLS
DTLS	Datagram Transport Layer Security
EE	End Entity
EST	Enrollment over Secure Transport
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
https	Access scheme for HTTP-over-TLS
IDevID	Initial Device IDentifier
IoT	Internet of Things
LDevID	Locally significant Device Identifier
MASA	Manufacturer Authorized Signing Authority
OT	Operational Technology
SZTB	Secure and Zero-Touch Bootstrapping
SZTP	Secure and Zero-Touch Provisioning
TLS	Transport Layer Security

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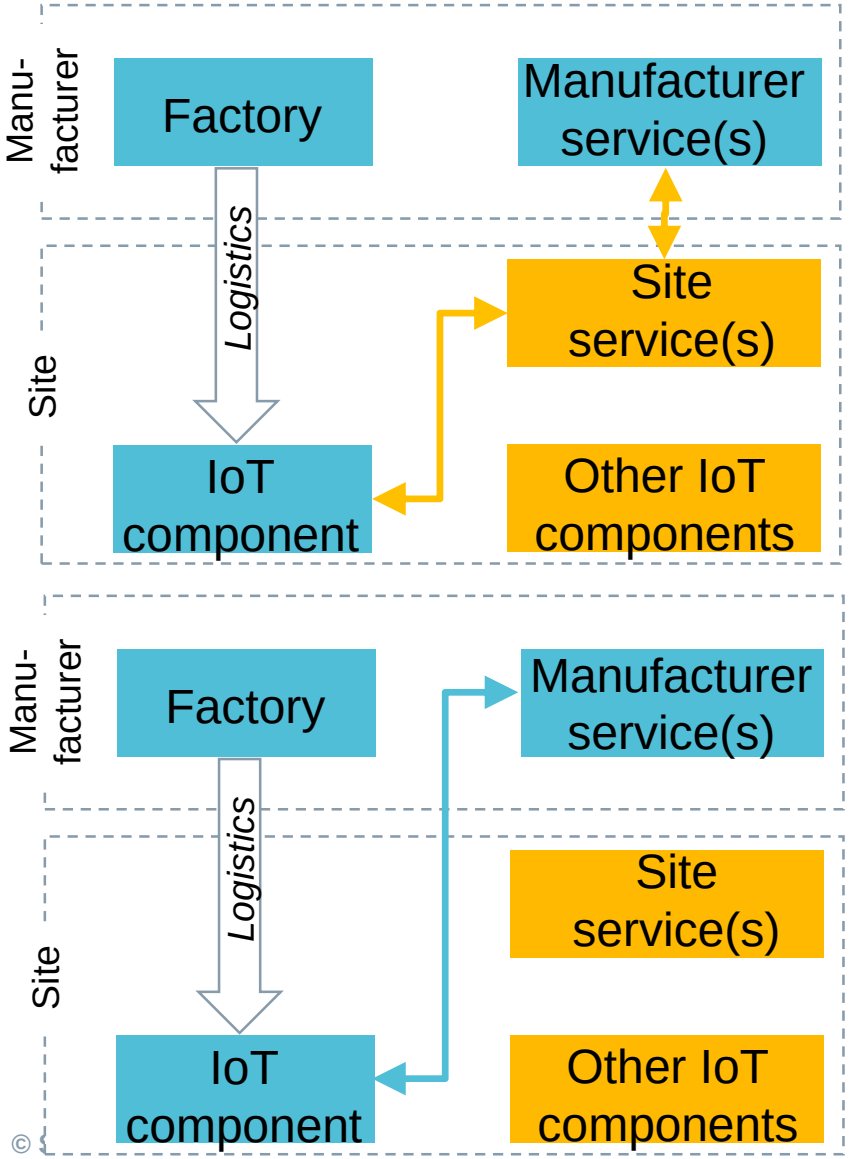
Architectural Patterns



- **Site-facing** manufacturer services:
  - The manufacturer does authenticate and authorize (3rd party) sites i.e. the users of its IoT components through this service
  - This requires interoperability, local-area network connectivity is sufficient for IoT components
  - It allows to support site/user-aware use cases e.g. SZTB and CRM
- **IoT component-facing** manufacturer services:
  - The manufacturer does authenticate (own) IoT components through this service
  - This requires wide-area connectivity, DIY services sufficient
  - It allows to support site/user-unaware use cases e.g. component maintenance

Doing the SZTB Trick with IETF Anima

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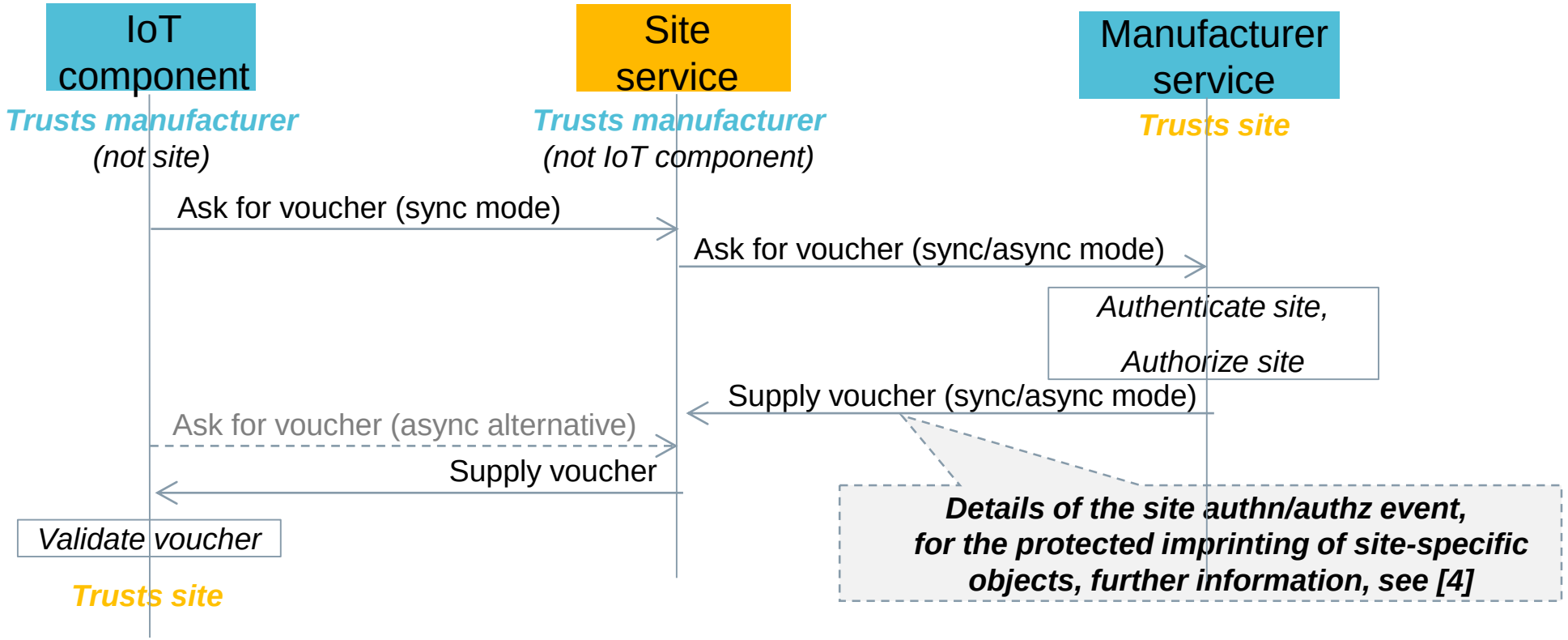
- *Moderate task a)* is addressed by a **site service**. It authenticates and authorizes the IoT component using (D)TLS with manufacturer credentials (called IDevID) plus information about acceptance
- *Hard task b)* is solved by an indirection: a **manufacturer service** is introduced that authenticates and authorizes the site and reports about this to the IoT component, see [5]



Anima System Architecture

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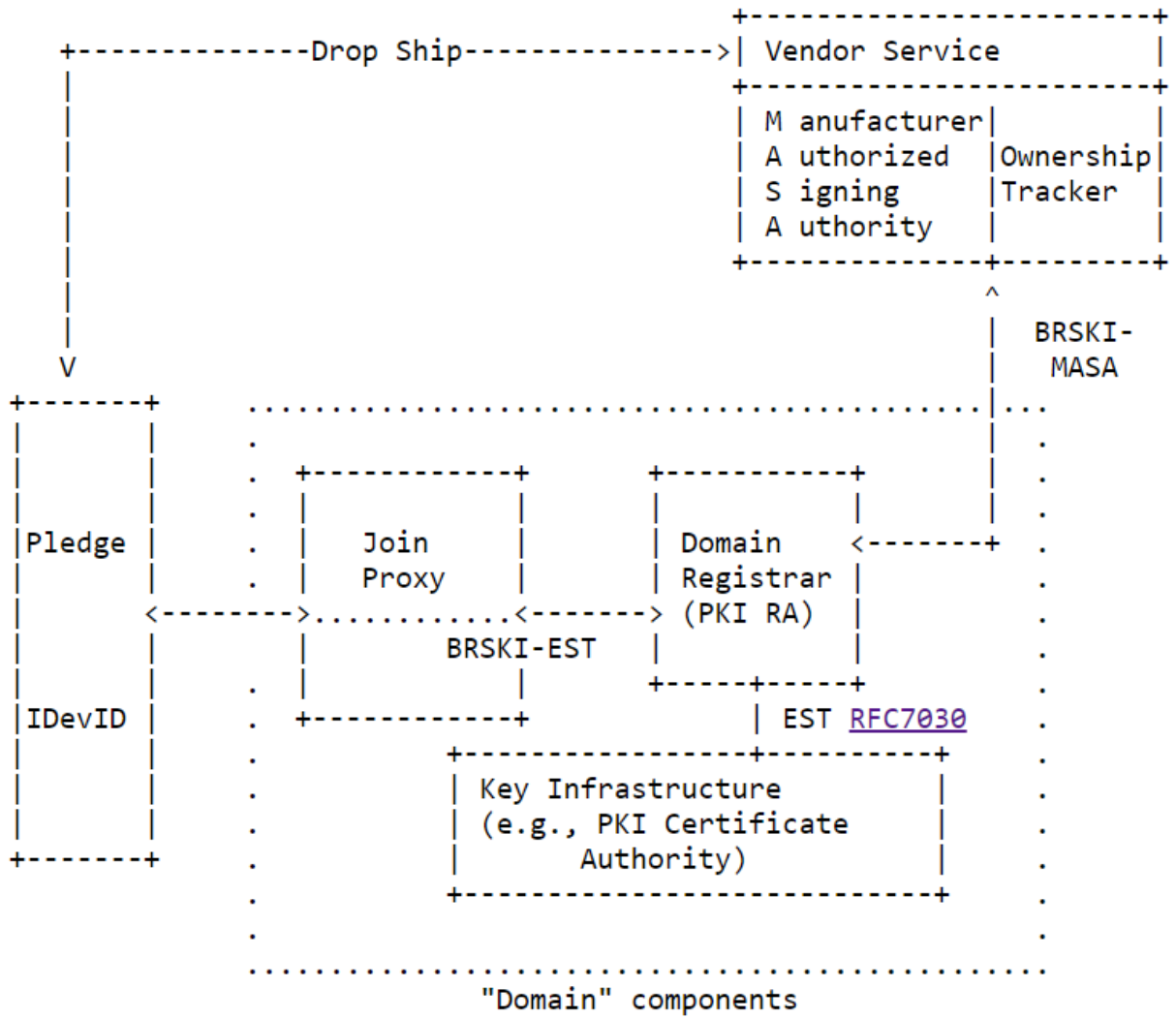
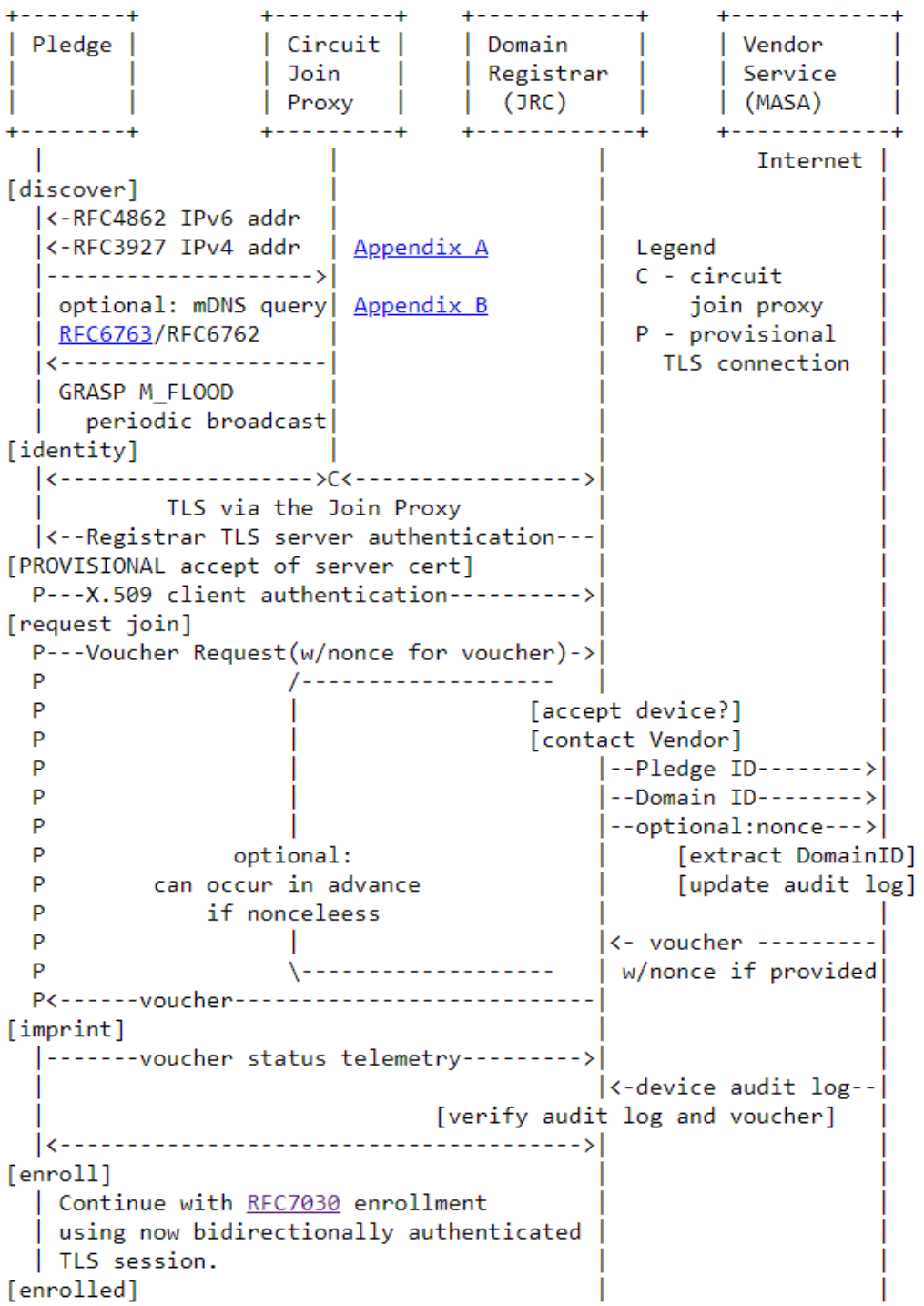


Anima Swim-Lane



Current Blind Spots of Anima

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- Blueprints for site-facing manufacturer services emerge right now ➔ do expect to get a core; not yet expect fully-blown specifications covering all possible aspects
- The current IETF Anima specifications come with white-spots and limitations including:
  - **Site-facing services**: assuming manufacturers to provide site-facing services
  - **Brown-field friendliness**: the current addressing scheme is not adequate for manufacturers with many, small pools of unique product serial numbers
  - **Sustainability**: service API versioning is not yet covered, message objects are self-contained but do not embody information about their structure
  - **Scalability**: bulk operation modes are not yet supported
  - **Unified credentialing**: supplying multiple, site-specific credentials that are bound to dedicated application domains to one IoT component can be accommodated but this is not yet profiled or detailed