



Colibri iMX6ULL and A71CH Hands-on



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WHAT WE'LL COVER TODAY

Setup Overview

Elliptic Curve Cryptography

OpenSSL

Use case of this Hands-on

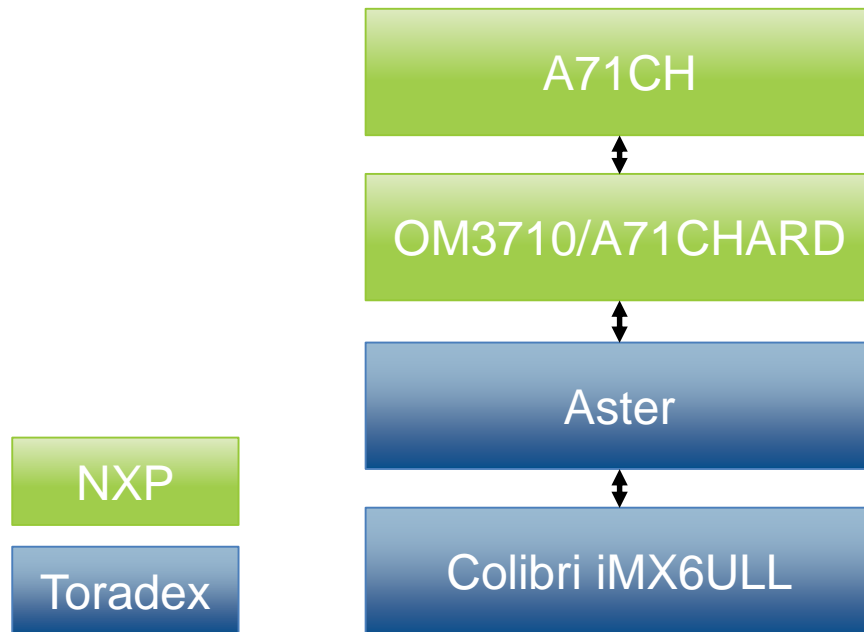
Hands-on

Further Use cases

SETUP OVERVIEW

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HARDWARE



COLIBRI iMX6ULL NXP i.MX 6ULL

Wi-Fi and Bluetooth 5

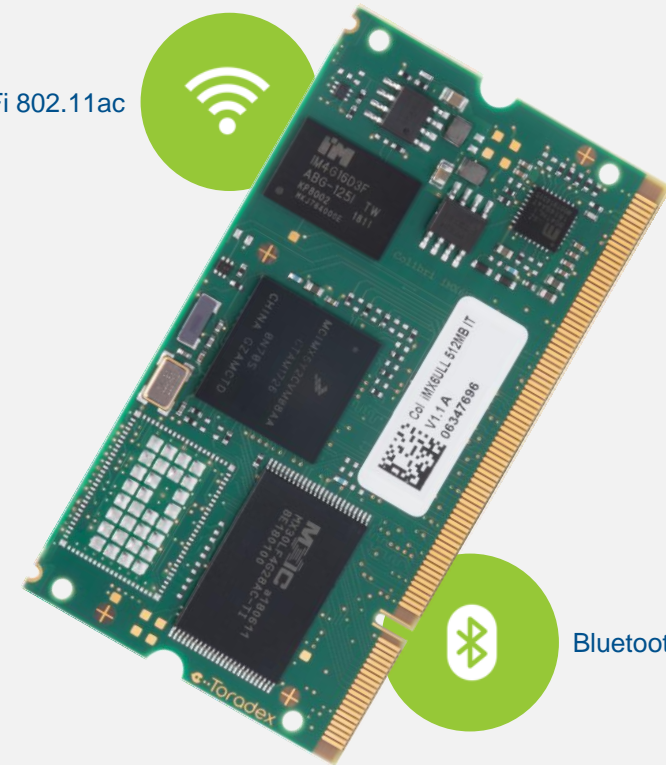
Ideal for **Industrial IoT** and **Embedded Applications**

Integrated Security Features

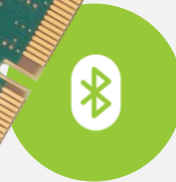
Long-term Availability until 2028

Large **Partner Ecosystem**

Wi-Fi 802.11ac



Bluetooth 5



A7
@900
MHz



Torizon

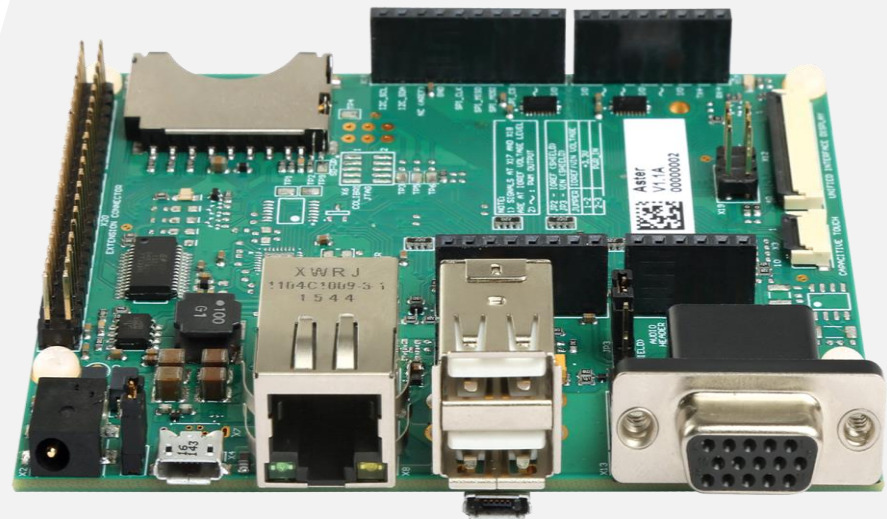
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ASTER CARRIER BOARD

- USB 2.0: 2x Host, 1x Client (Shared)
- 10/100 Mbit Ethernet
- Size: 100x80 mm

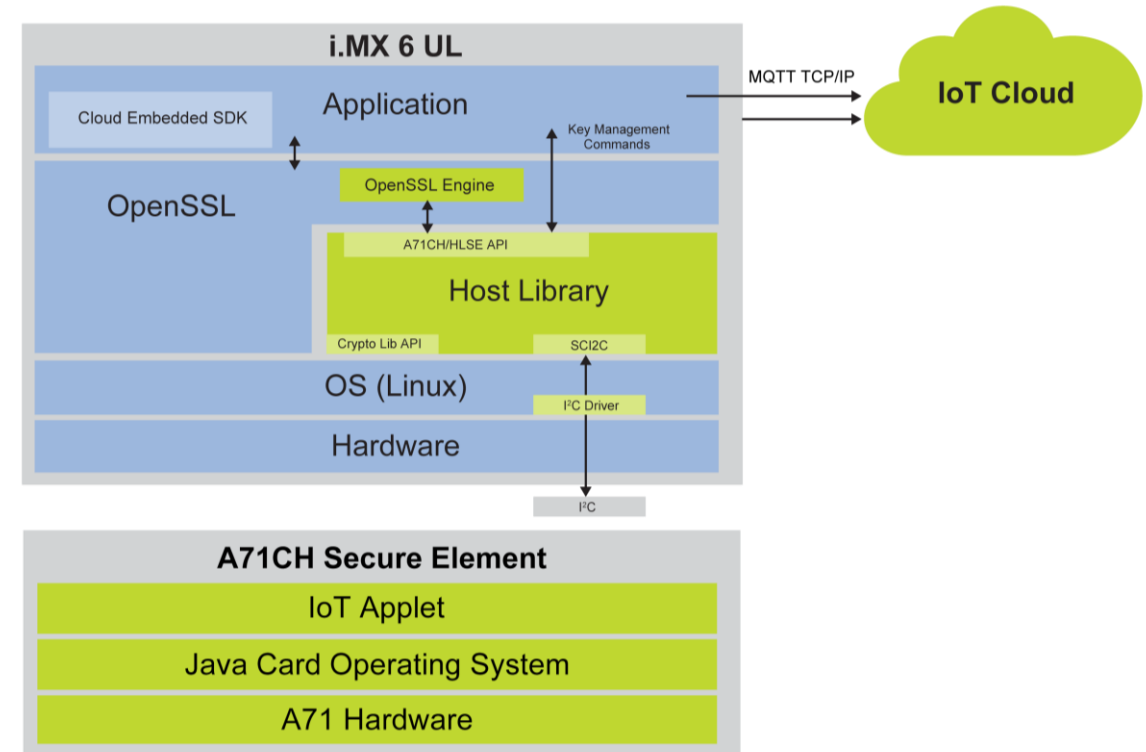


SETUP OVERVIEW

SOFTWARE

Application : Custom
OS : Torizon
Hardware : Colibri iMX6ULL

Direct access to OpenSSL
Direct access to Host Library
Access via OpenSSL Engine



 A71CH Solution

ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY

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1976
DHKE

Diffie-Hellman Key
Exchange

1977
RSA

First asymmetric
crypto system

1985
Elgamal

Another asymmetric
crypto system

1985
ECC

Elliptic-curve
cryptography

1991
DSA

Digital Signature
Algorithm

1994
DSS

Digital Signature
Standard

1998
OpenSSL

~1999
ECDSA

Elliptic Curve Digital Signature
Algorithm

1998 ISO standard
1999 ANSI standard
2000 IEEE & NIST standard

ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY SOME TERMS

Mathematic Group

In mathematics, a group is a set equipped with a binary operation which combines any two elements to form a third element in such a way that four conditions called group axioms are satisfied, namely closure, associativity, identity and invertibility. (Wikipedia)

Finite Field (Galois field)

As with any field, a finite field is a set on which the operations of multiplication, addition, subtraction and division are defined and satisfy certain basic rules. The most common examples of finite fields are given by the integers mod p when p is a prime number. (Wikipedia)

Discrete Logarithm Problem

$$(m^e \bmod n)^d \bmod n = m \mid \forall 1 \leq m \leq M$$

ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY DIGITAL SIGNATURE ALGORITHM

Key Generation

1. Decide on a key length L and N (possible predefined values in the standard)
2. Choose an N -bit prime q
3. Choose an L -bit prime p such that $p - 1$ is a multiple of q .
4. Choose g , a number whose multiplicative order modulo p is q . This means that q is the smallest positive integer such that $g^q = 1 \pmod{p}$
5. Select a random integer x such that $1 \leq x \leq q - 1$
6. Compute $y = g^x \pmod{p}$
7. Public key: (p, q, g, y) , secret key: x

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Signing

1. Generate a **random per-message** value k where $1 < k < q$
2. Compute $r = (g^k \bmod p) \bmod q$
3. Compute $s = k^{-1} (h(m) + xr) \bmod q$
4. If s or r are 0, restart with 1
5. Your signature is (r,s)

$h(m)$: public, collision-free hash function

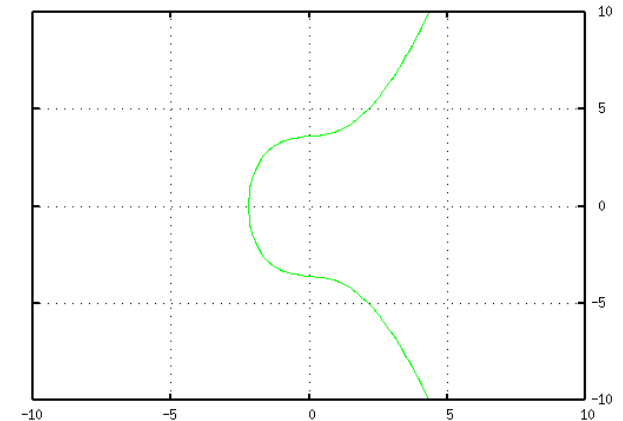
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Verifying

1. Reject the signature if $0 < r < q$ or $0 < s < q$ is not satisfied
2. Compute $w = s^{-1} \text{ mod } q$
3. Compute $u1 = h(m) * w \text{ mod } q$
4. Compute $u2 = r * w \text{ mod } q$
5. Compute $v = (g^{u1} y^{u2} \text{ mod } p) \text{ mod } q$
6. The signature is valid if $v = r$

ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY ECDSA

- The elliptic curve is a plane curve over a finite field
- The operations of the group are well defined
- Calculation with points on the elliptic curve
- Special variant of DSA
- Use of named curves (predefined, standard curves)
- Elliptic curve discrete logarithm problem would need $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{n})$
- With 128-bit Security:
 - ECDSA: 256-bit public keys and 512-bit signature
 - RSA: 3072-bit public keys and 3072-bit signature



Elliptic curve over \mathbb{R}
 $E: y^2 = x^3 + x + 13$

ELLIPTIC CURVE CRYPTOGRAPHY ECDSA

Format of the signature

The ECDSA standards (ANSI X9.62, FIPS 186-4) don't define an ECDSA signature as a sequence of bytes, but as a **pair of values (r,s)***. In practice, two main encodings for ECDSA signatures

- ASN.1 DER
- Raw format of concatenated r and s

$0x30 b1 0x02 b2 r 0x02 b3 s$ b1 = Length of remaining data b2 = Length of r b3 = Length of s
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**Encoding of signatures is considered to be out of scope; the protocol that uses ECDSA signatures is responsible for defining which encoding will be used*

OPENSSL

OPENSSL GENERAL

- Implementation of TLS
- Current version 1.1.1b (26. February 2019)*
- BSD License
- Implementation of basic cryptographic functions and various utility functions
- Written in C, but available for different languages with available wrappers

*retrieved 07.05.2019

OPENSSL

X509

- Standard defining the format of public key certificates
- Contains a public key and an identity
- Either signed by a certificate authority or self-signed
- Expressed in ASN.1

CN: CommonName
OU: OrganizationalUnit
O: Organization
L: Locality
S: StateOrProvinceName
C: CountryName

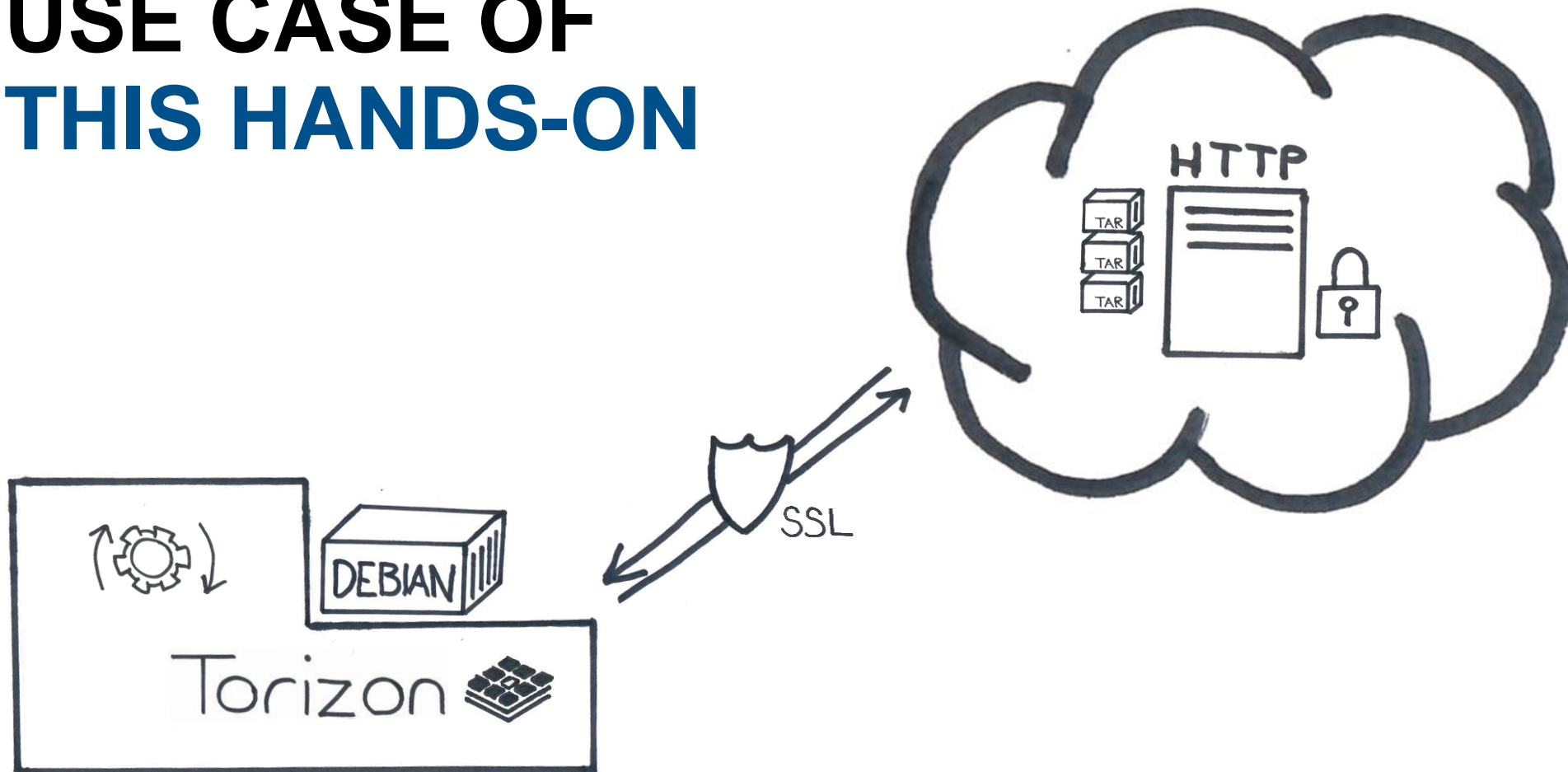
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OPENSSL ENGINE

- Possibility to create a custom OpenSSL engine
 - Connect HW accelerator
- Custom implementation of cryptographic algorithms
- Dynamic loading of the required OpenSSL engine

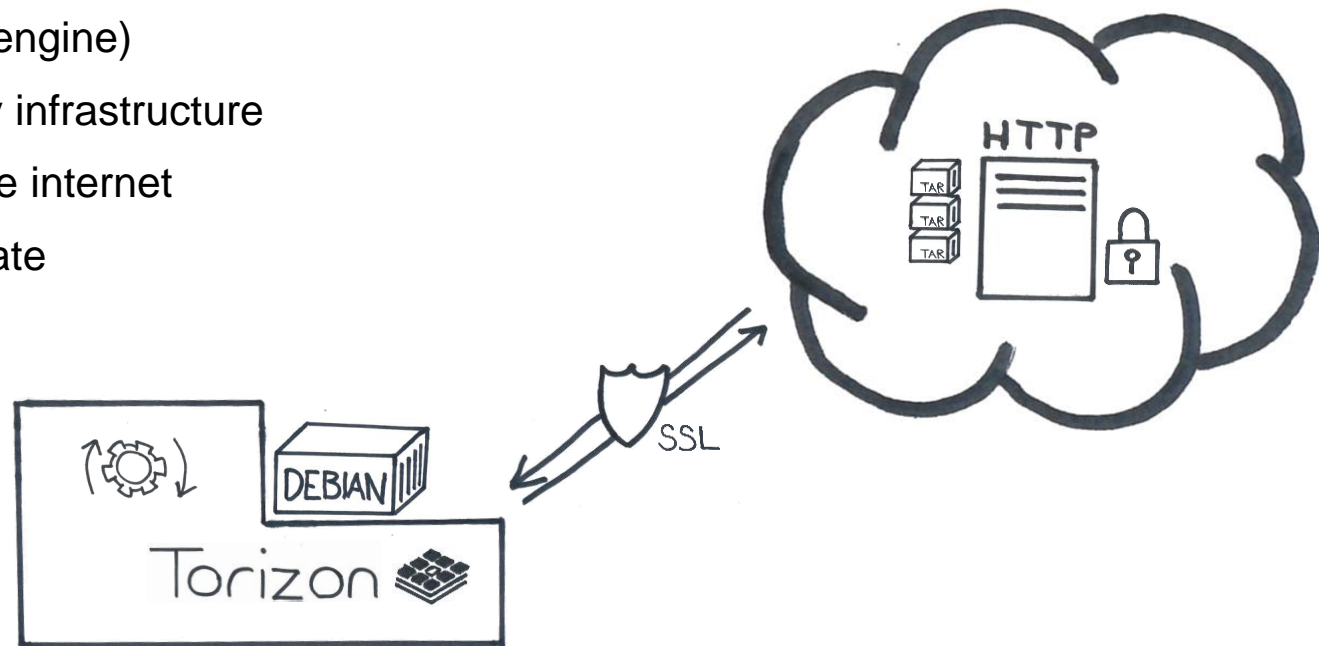
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- Secure update of containers
- Use of OpenSSL (A71CH engine)
- Running without public key infrastructure
- Update in the field, over the internet
- Automated or manual update



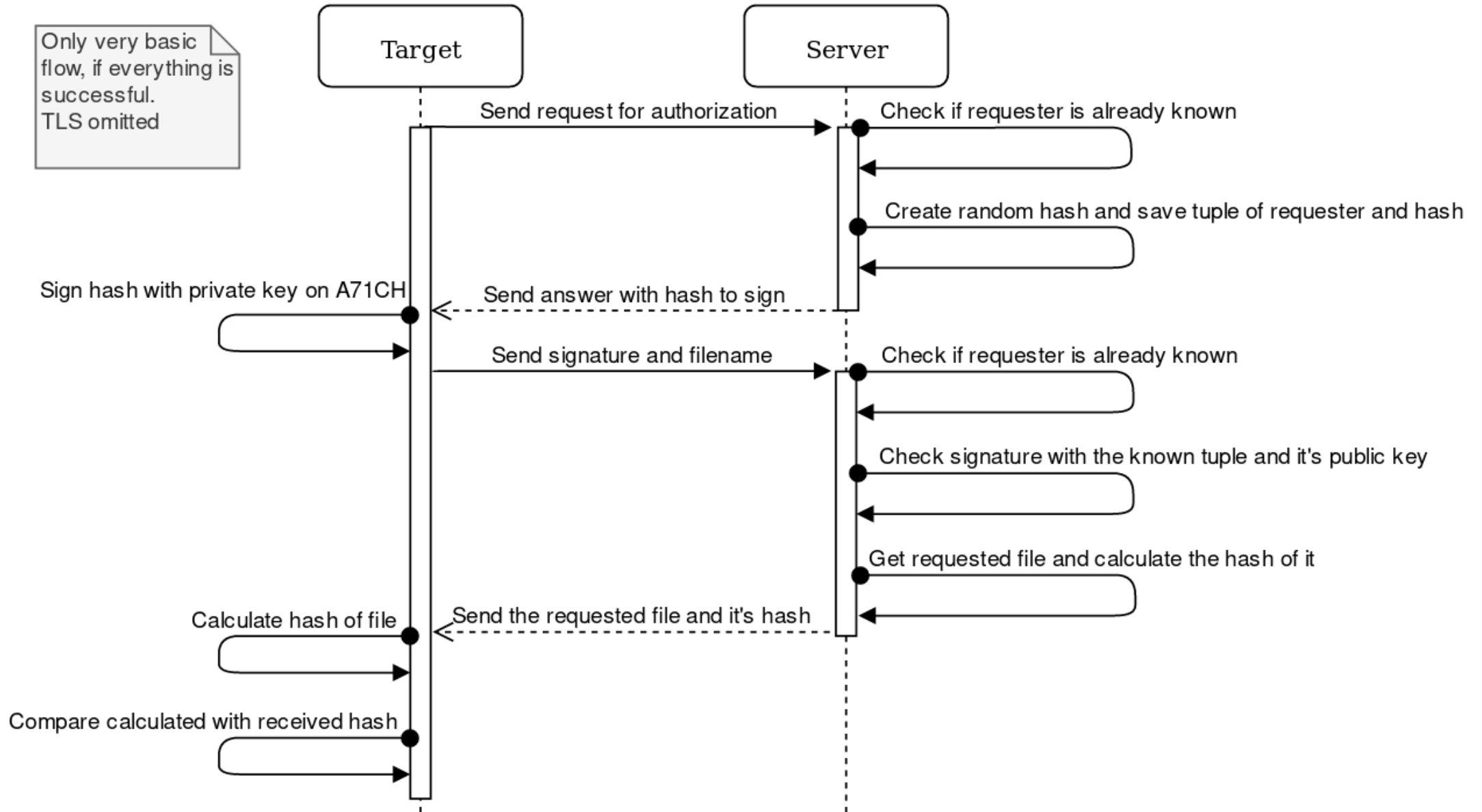
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HANDS-ON!

- Demonstration with successful update
- Demonstration of security features
- Code walk-through on the server part
- Code walk-through on the client part

The code of this hands-on is specifically written for training purposes and not directly applicable for end-use.

Only very basic flow, if everything is successful. TLS omitted



FURTHER USE CASES

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- Secure communication between IoT devices and the cloud
- Identity proof of devices
- Use of credentials for different purposes
- Direct methods of the A71CH
 - Calculation of hash values
 - Sign and verification of hashes
 - Secure memory



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