

**prplMesh:
Open-source Implementation
of the spec underlying
Wi-Fi CERTIFIED EasyMesh™**



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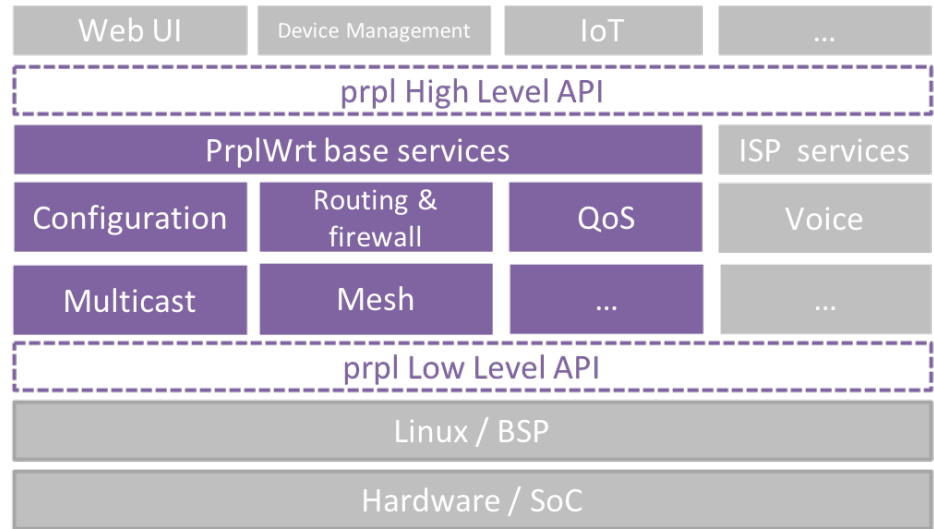
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Overview

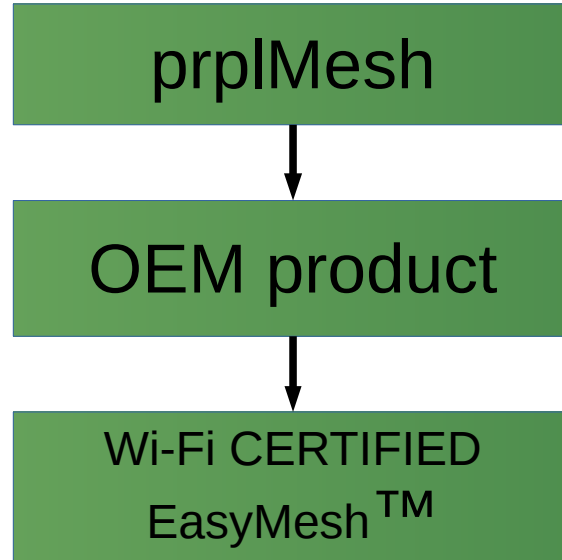
- prpl implementation for Wi-Fi CERTIFIED EasyMesh™
- Security and missing features
- prplMesh architecture

prpl combines standardisation & open source

- High-level API
A single API for on-device software
- Low-level API
A single API for chipsets and SoCs



Path to certification



prplMesh Multi-AP implementation

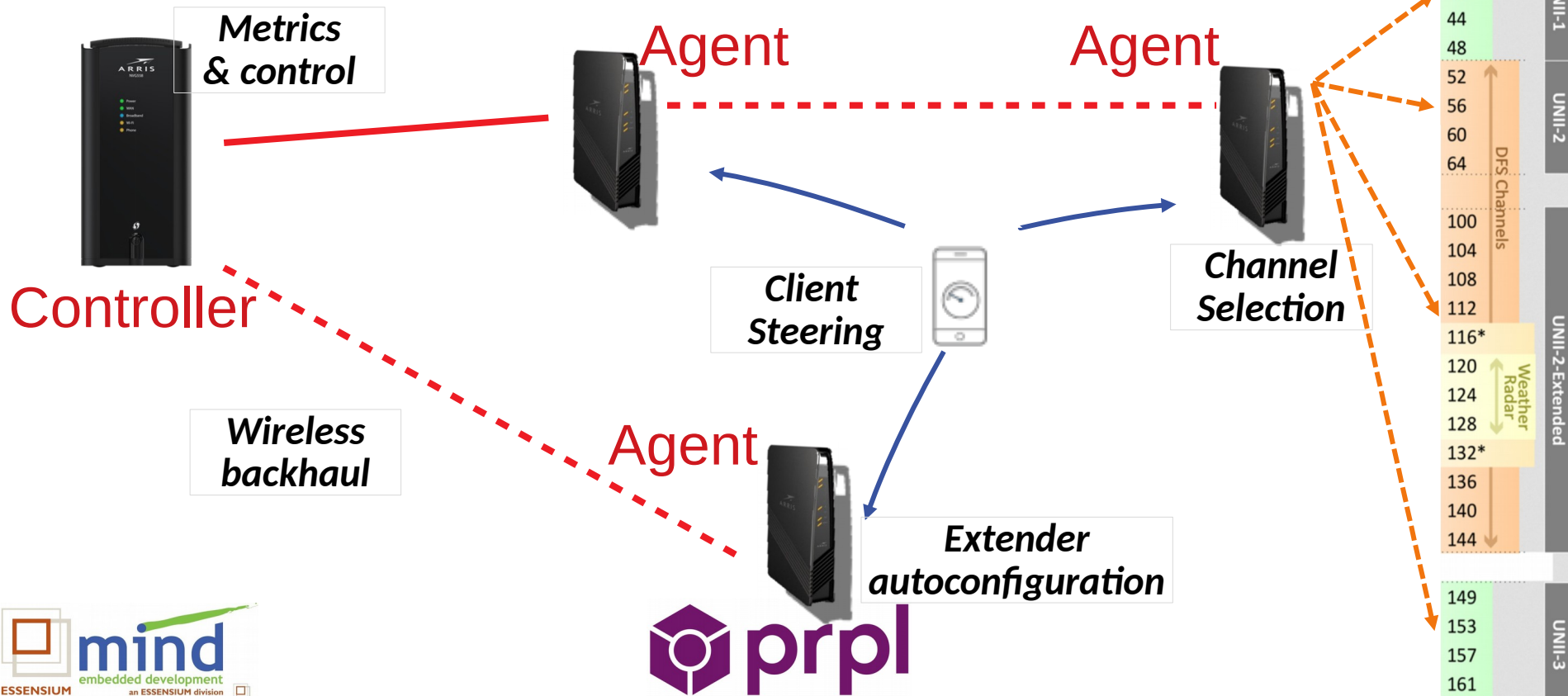
- Open source reference implementation for Linux
- *Agent* ready for Wi-Fi CERTIFIED EasyMesh™
- *Controller* as differentiator
- Match with prpl APIs, add carrier manageability
- Contracted Essensium/Mind for implementation

<https://github.com/prplfoundation/prplMesh>

BroadBand Forum and Multi-AP

- Delivers IEEE 1905.1a stack
<https://github.com/BroadbandForum/1905.1a>
- Define architecture and interface for carrier management
 - QoS
 - metrics acquisition for diagnostics
 - ...
- Define additional test plans

WFA Multi-AP architecture

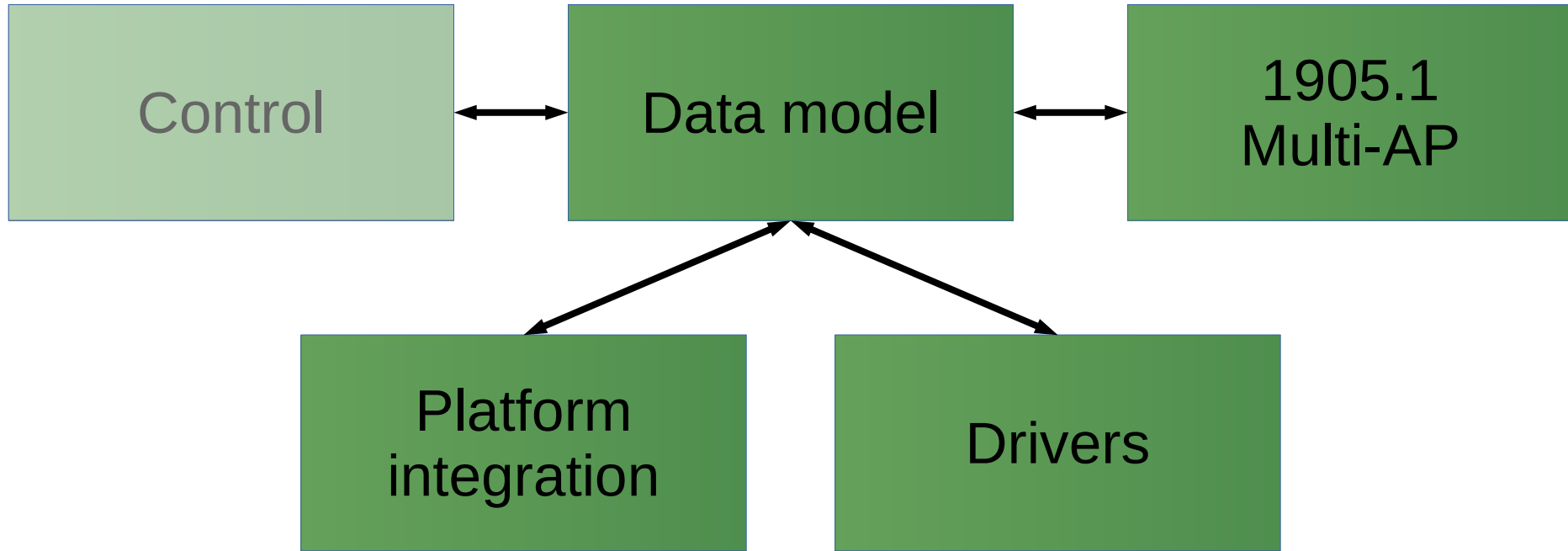


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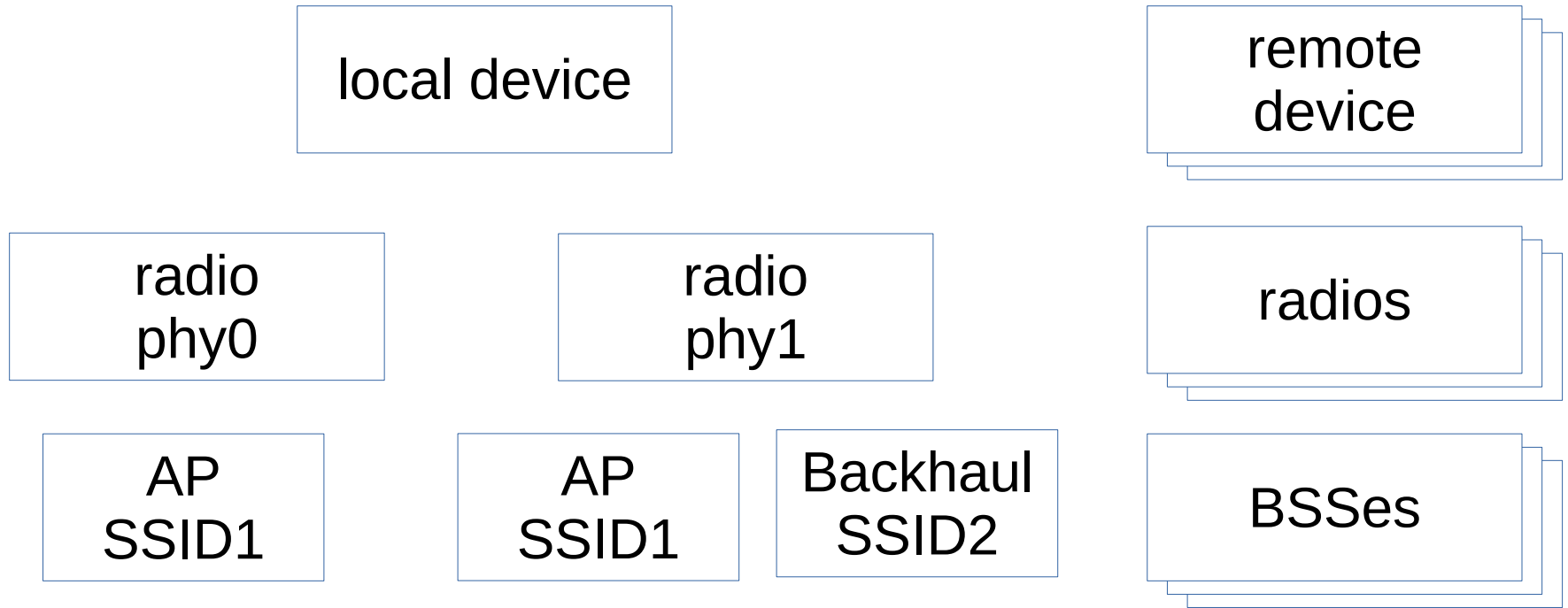
Multi-AP messaging is protected against out-of-network eavesdropping through utilization of encryption feature(s) of its underlying network connectivity.

A Multi-AP interface is considered authenticated when the underlying networking technology encryption mode has been successfully configured.

prplMesh architecture



prplMesh Data Model



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local device

remote device

radio
phy0

radio
phy1

radios

addAP()
→ cfg80211
+ hostapd

addAP()
→ vendor driver
+ forked hostapd

addAP()
→ Multi-AP
CMDUs

OpenWRT platform integration

access

persist

AP creation

metrics/control

ubus

socket

nl80211

prpl
API

hostapd
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UCI
rpcd

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cfg80211

/etc/config

netifd



Stretch goal: unified AP interface

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Conclusions

- Open source implementation of MultiAP is desired
- Opportunity for single Wi-Fi daemon in router