

# Smartcards



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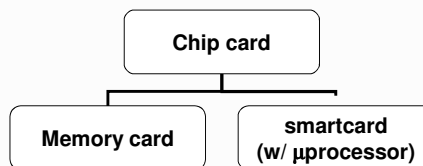
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## Smartcard: Definition

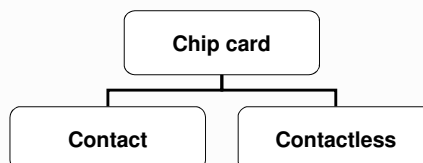
### ▷ Card with computing processing capabilities

- ♦ CPU
- ♦ ROM
- ♦ EEPROM
- ♦ RAM



### ▷ Interface

- ♦ With contact
- ♦ Contactless



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## Smartcard: Components



### ▷ CPU

- ♦ 8/16 bit
- ♦ Crypto-coprocessor (opt.)

### ▷ ROM

- ♦ Operating system
- ♦ Communication
- ♦ Cryptographic algorithms

### ▷ EEPROM

- ♦ File system
  - Programs / applications
  - Keys / passwords

### ▷ RAM

- ♦ Transient data
  - Erased on power off

### ▷ Mechanical contacts

- ♦ ISO 7816-2
  - Power
  - Soft reset
  - Clock
  - Half duplex I/O

### ▷ Physical security

- ♦ Tamperproof case
- ♦ Resistance to side-channel attacks

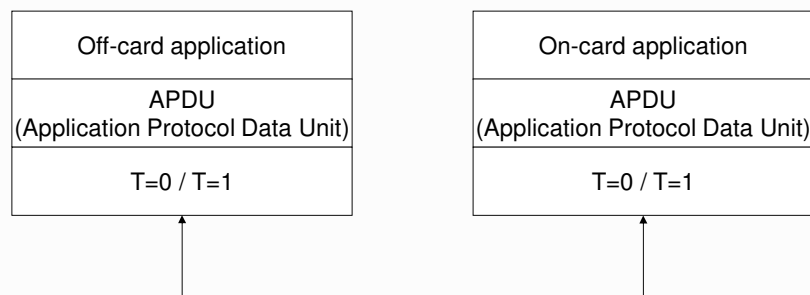


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## Smartcard applications: Communication protocol stack



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## T=0 and T=1

### ▷ T=0

- ♦ Each byte transmitted separately
- ♦ Slower

### ▷ T=1

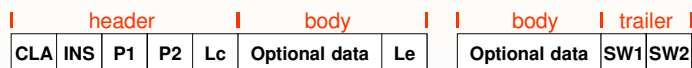
- ♦ Blocks of bytes transmitted
- ♦ Faster

### ▷ ATR (ISO 7816-3)

- ♦ Response of the card to a reset operation
- ♦ Reports the protocol expected by the card



## APDU (ISO 7816-4)



### ▷ Command APDU

- ♦ CLA (1 byte)
  - Class of the instruction
- ♦ INS (1 byte)
  - Command
- ♦ P1 and P2 (2 bytes)
  - Command-specific parameters
- ♦ Lc
  - Length of the optional command data
- ♦ Le
  - Length of data expected in subsequent Response APDU
  - Zero (0) means all data available

### ▷ Response APDU

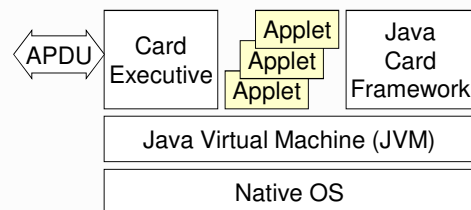
- ♦ SW1 and SW2 (2 bytes)
  - Status bytes
  - 0x9000 means SUCCESS



## Java cards

- ▷ Smartcards that run Java Applets
  - ♦ That use the JCRE
  - ♦ The JCRE runs on top of a native OS
- ▷ JCRE (Java Card Runtime Environment)

- ♦ Java Virtual Machine
- ♦ Card Executive
  - Card management
  - Communications
- ♦ Java Card Framework
  - Library functions



## Cryptographic services

- ▷ Ciphers
- ▷ Digest functions
- ▷ Key generation
- ▷ Key management
  - ♦ Key import
  - ♦ Key export
- ▷ Digital signatures
  - ♦ Generation
  - ♦ Verification
- ▷ Management of public key certificates
  - ♦ Generation
  - ♦ Verification

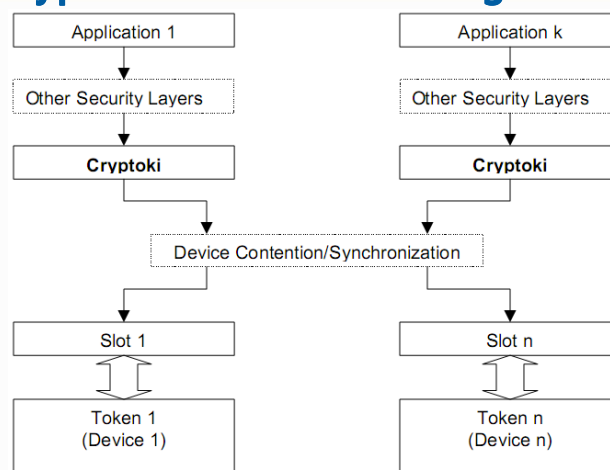


## Cryptographic services: Middleware

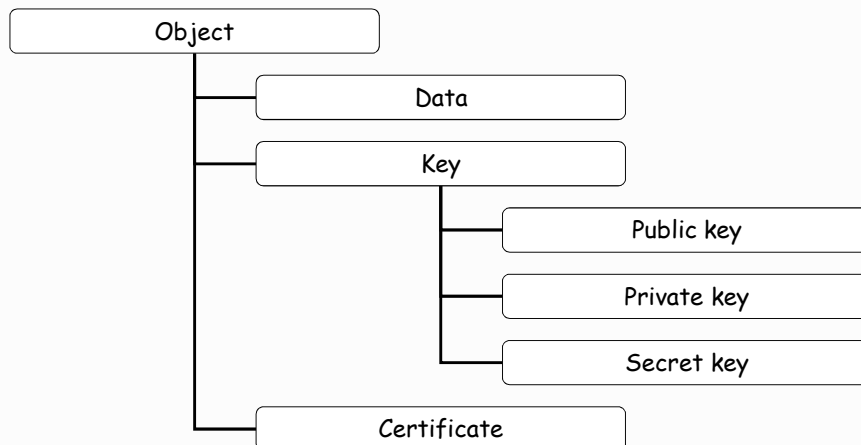
- ▷ Libraries that bridge the gap between functionalities of smartcards and high-level applications
- ▷ Some standard approaches:
  - ♦ **PKCS #11**
    - Cryptographic Token Interface Standard (Cryptoki)
    - Defined by RSA Security Inc.
  - ♦ **PKCS #15**
    - Cryptographic Token Information Format Standard
    - Defined by RSA Security Inc.
  - ♦ **CAPI CSP**
    - CryptoAPI Cryptographic Service Provider
    - Defined by Microsoft for Windows systems
  - ♦ **PC/SC**
    - Personal computer/smartcard
    - Standard framework for smartcard access on Windows systems



## PKCS #11: Cryptoki middleware integration



## PKCS #11: Cryptoki object hierarchy

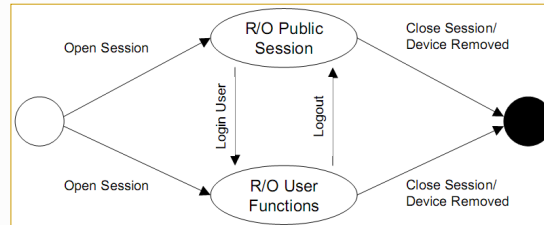


## PKCS #11: Cryptoki sessions

- ▷ Logical connections between applications and tokens
  - ♦ R/O and R/W sessions
  - ♦ Session owners
    - Public
    - User
    - Security Officer (SO)
- ▷ Lifetime of sessions
  - ♦ Usually for a single operation on the token
- ▷ Operations on open sessions
  - ♦ Administrative
    - Login/logout
  - ♦ Object management
    - Create / destroy an object on the token
  - ♦ Cryptographic
- ▷ Session objects
  - ♦ Transient objects created during sessions

## PKCS #11:

### Cryptoki R/O sessions login/logout



#### ▷ R/O public session

- Read-only access to public token objects
- Read/write access to public session objects

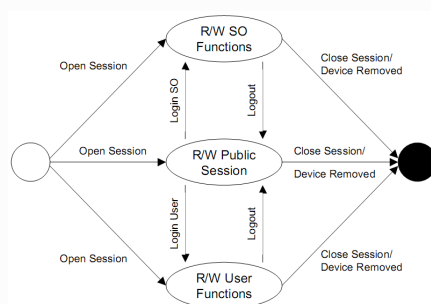
#### ▷ R/O user functions

- Read-only access to all token objects (public or private)
- Read/write access to all session objects (public or private)



## PKCS #11:

### Cryptoki R/W sessions login/logout



#### ▷ R/W public session

- Read/write access to all public objects

#### ▷ R/W SO functions

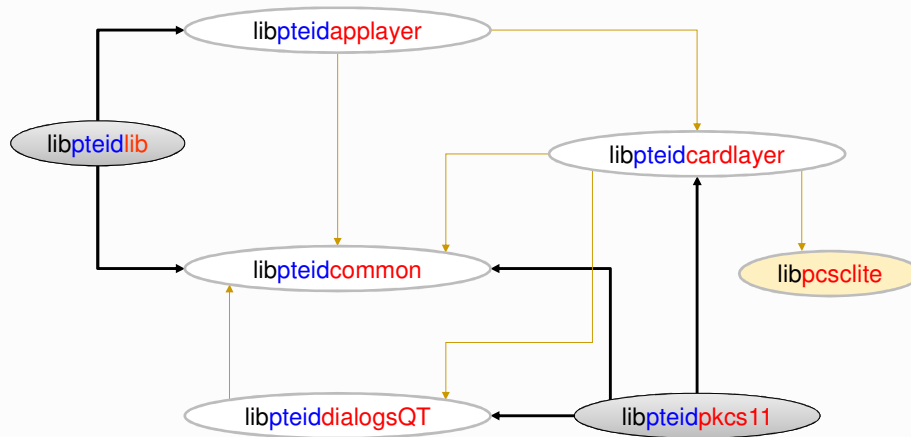
- Read/write access only to public objects on the token
  - Not to private objects
- The SO can set the normal user's PIN

#### ▷ R/W user functions

- Read/write access to all objects



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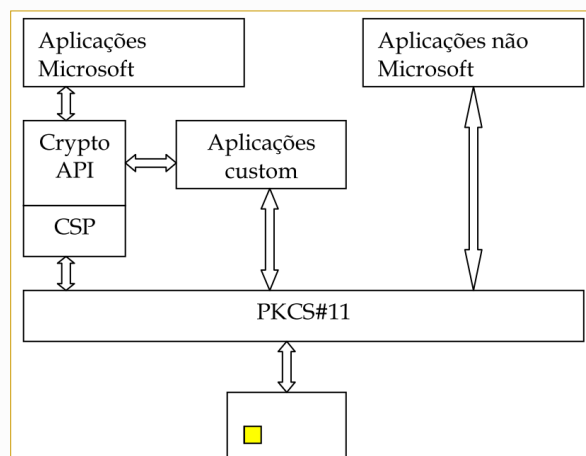


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## Cartão de Cidadão: Middleware for Windows



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