



SSL INTERCEPT PRACTICE

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- ◎ Since Jan 2015
- ◎ Products / Solutions
 - Inside Threat Protection
 - Data Loss Prevention
 - UEBA
 - CASB
 - Secure Email Gateway
 - Secure Web Gateway (**based on ATS**)

About me

◎ Jan 2015

- Touch the ATS code
- Review code line by line and write code reading note on Github
- <https://github.com/oknet/atsinternals>

◎ Sep 2016

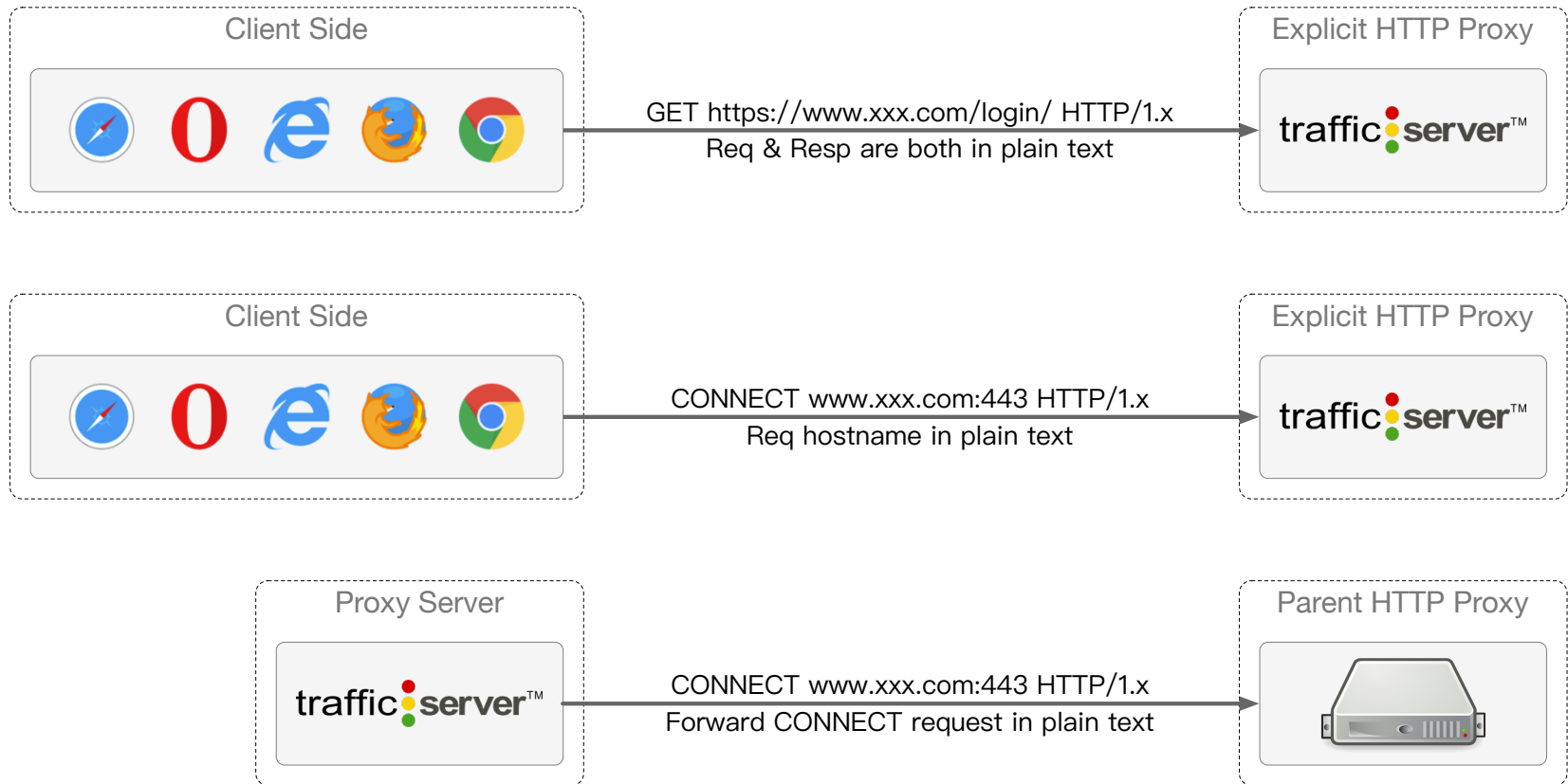
- ATS committer and PMC member
- ◎ Mainly focus on the stability and quality of the code, then performance.

Start from

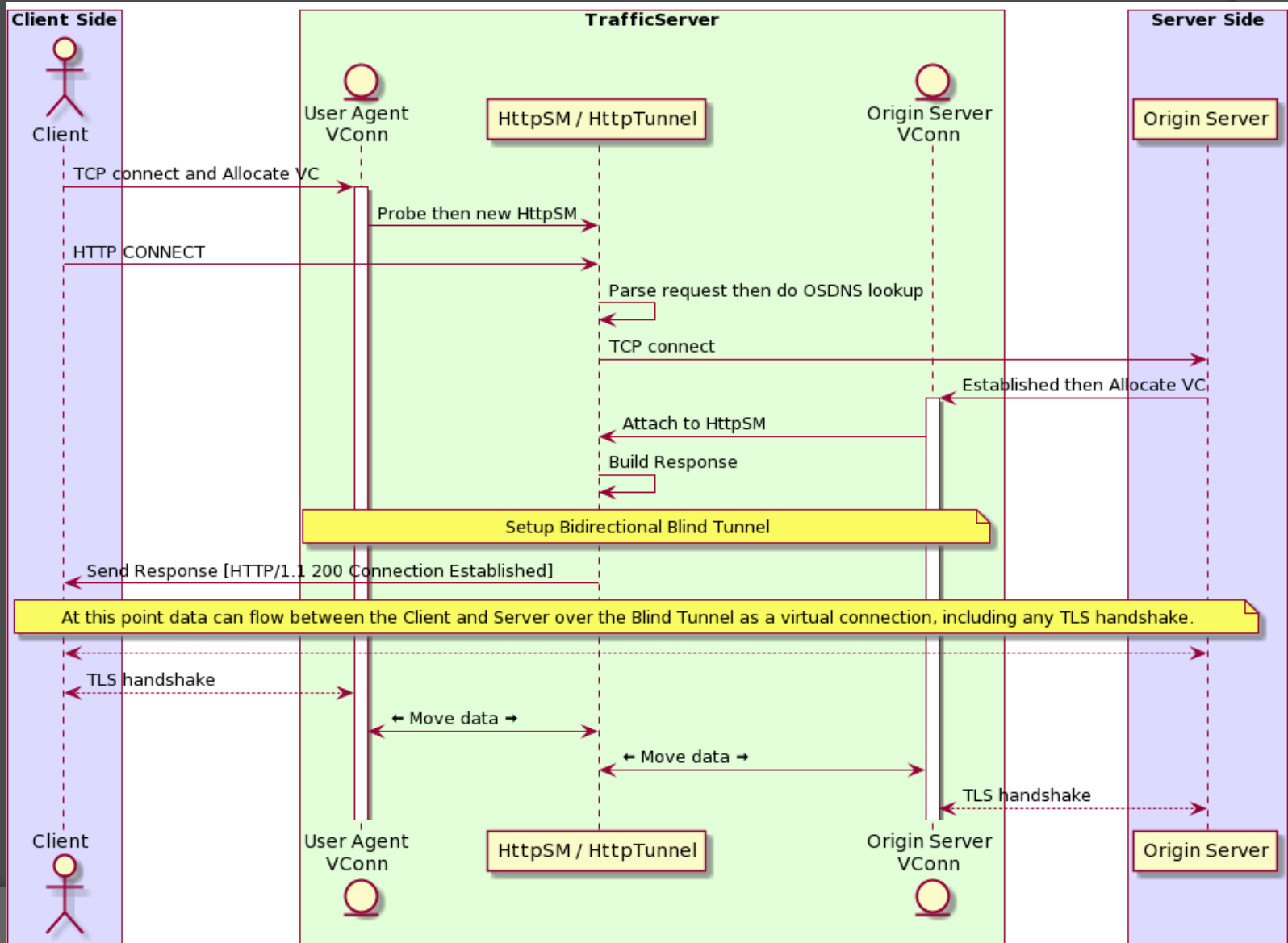
The Explicit Proxy

Insecure HTTP Proxy

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Deal with CONNECT method



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@startuml

```
box "Client Side" #DDDDFF
actor Client
end box
```

```
box "TrafficServer" #DDFFDD
entity "User Agent\nVConn" as lvc
participant "HttpSM / HttpTunnel" as httpsm
entity "Origin Server\nVConn" as rvc
end box
```

```
box "Server Side" #DDDDFF
participant "Origin Server" as Server
end box
```

Client -> lvc : TCP connect and Allocate VC
activate lvc

lvc -> httpsm : Probe then new HttpSM

Client -> httpsm : HTTP CONNECT

httpsm -> httpsm : Parse request then do OSDNS lookup

httpsm -> Server : TCP connect

Server -> rvc : Established then Allocate VC
activate rvc

rvc -> httpsm : Attach to HttpSM

httpsm -> httpsm : Build Response

note over lvc,rvc : Setup Bidirectional Blind Tunnel

httpsm -> Client : Send Response [HTTP/1.1 200 Connection Established]

note over Client, Server : At this point data can flow between the Client and Server over the Blind Tunnel as a virtual connection, including any TLS handshake.

Client <--> Server

Client <--> lvc : TLS handshake

lvc <--> httpsm : <thick-left arrow> Move data <thick-right arrow>

httpsm <--> rvc : <thick-left arrow> Move data <thick-right arrow>

rvc <--> Server : TLS handshake

@enduml

Intercept bidirectional tunnel

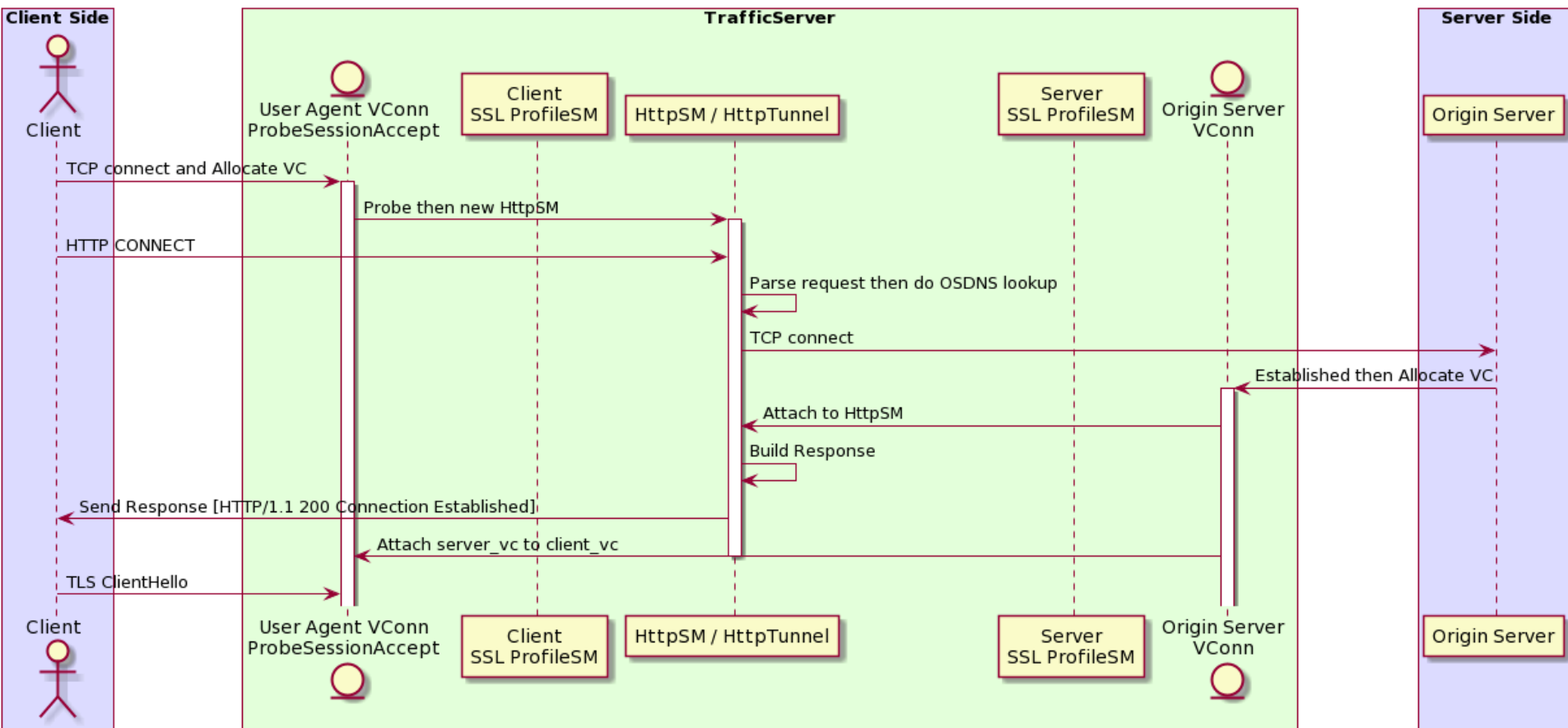
Why

- ⦿ Did the employee
 - download malware ?
 - receive phishing email ?
 - visit a malicious website ?
 - leak important information ?
- ⦿ For the risk
 - Detect and prevent early.

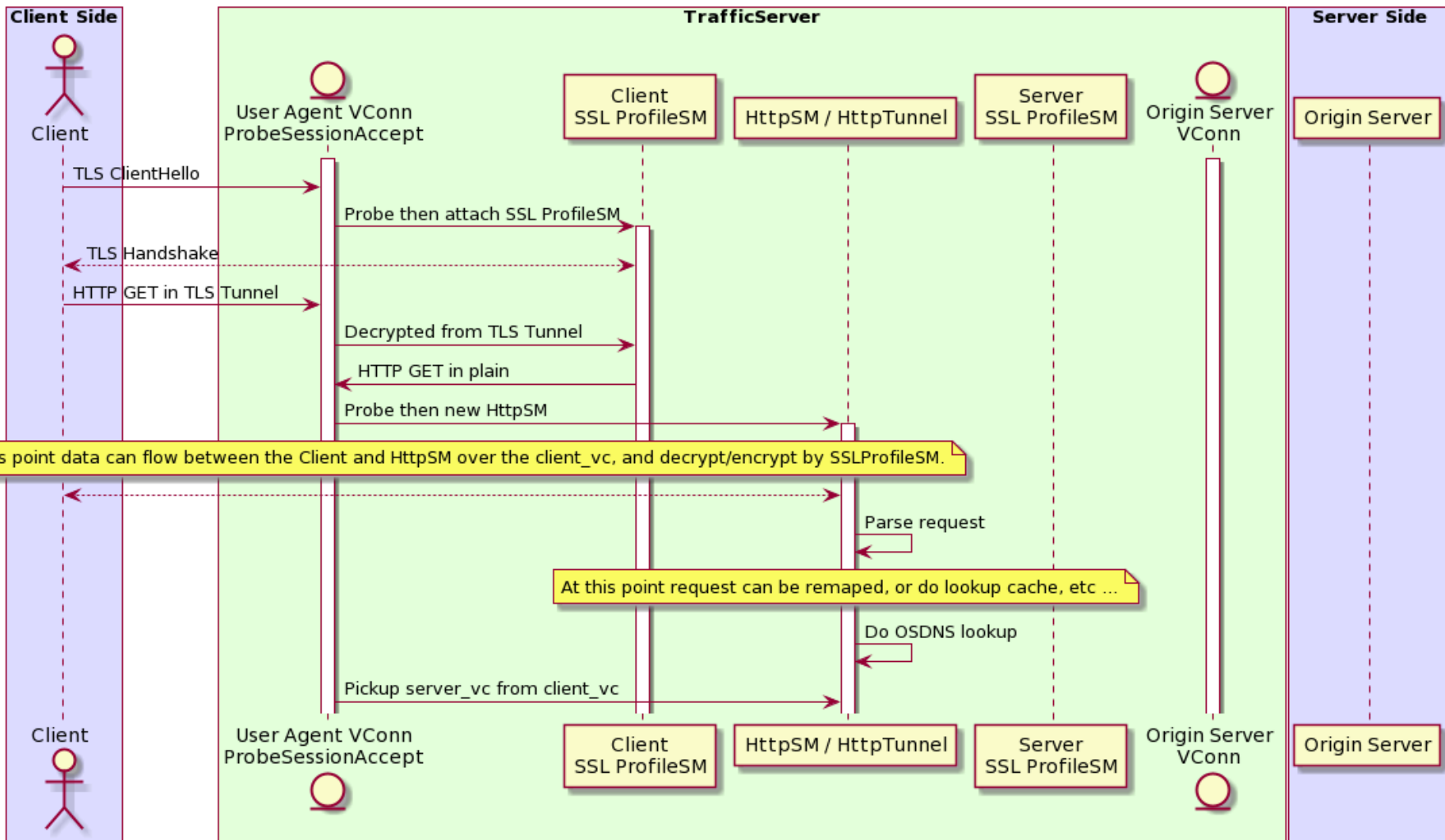
How

- ◎ Extend ProtocolProbeSessionAccept
 - Learn from IDS
 - Detect and identify certain protocols by signatures. Includes:
 - SSLv2, SSLv3, TLS1, ...
 - Socksv4, Socksv5
 - Detect and identify certain protocols by tcp ports. Includes:
 - FTP(21), FTPS(990)
 - SMTP(25, 587), POP3(110), IMAP(143), ...
 - SMTPS(465), POP3S(995), IMAPS(993), ...
 - Combine the two methods to get more accurate result
- ◎ Introduce ProfileSM
 - Pull low level I/O operations from UnixNetVC
 - Pull SSL handshake and encrypt/decrypt from SSLNetVC
 - Create tcpProfileSM and sslProfileSM as NetVC's helper to perform these operations.

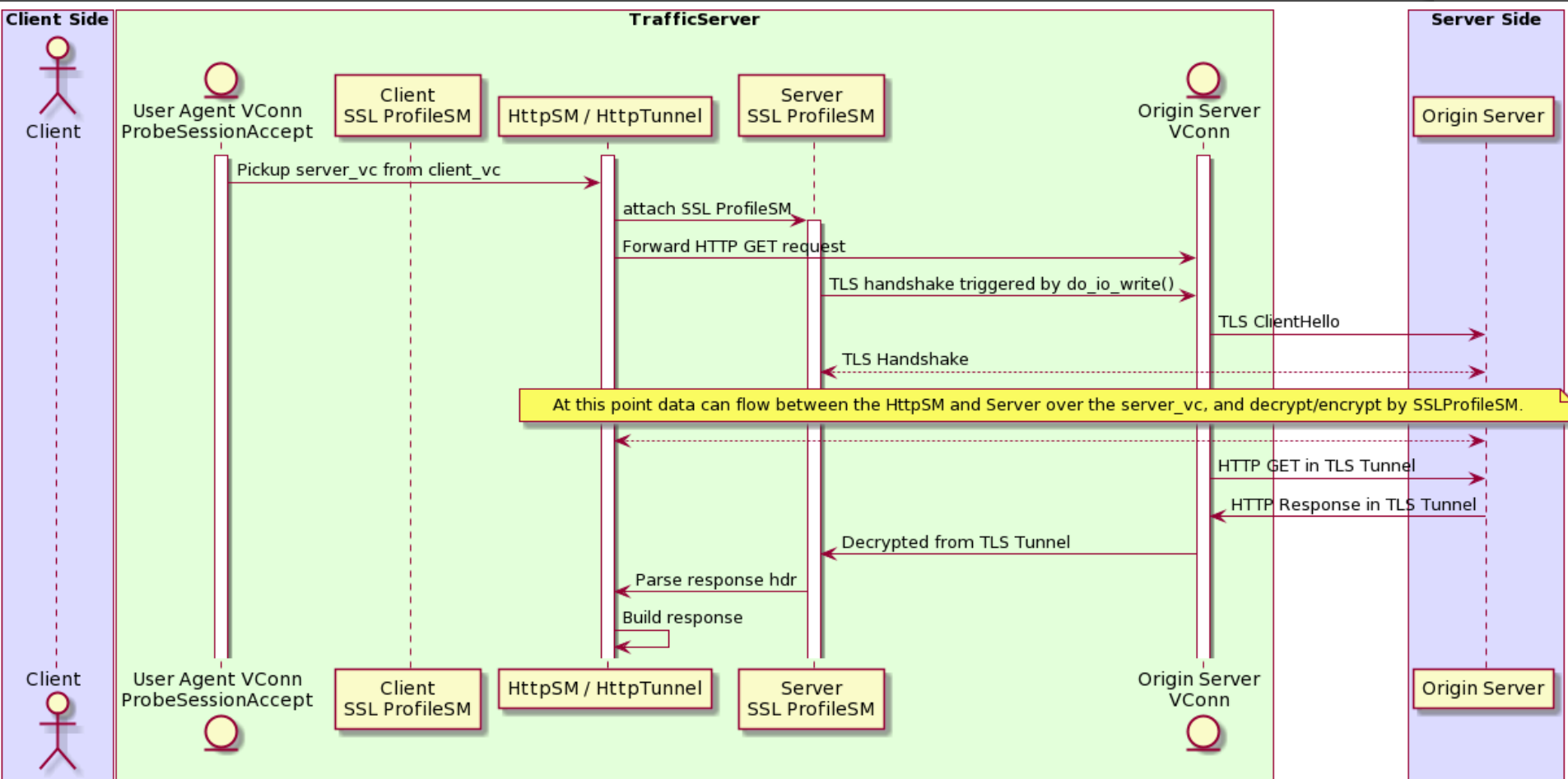
Handle SSL from Blind Tunnel 1



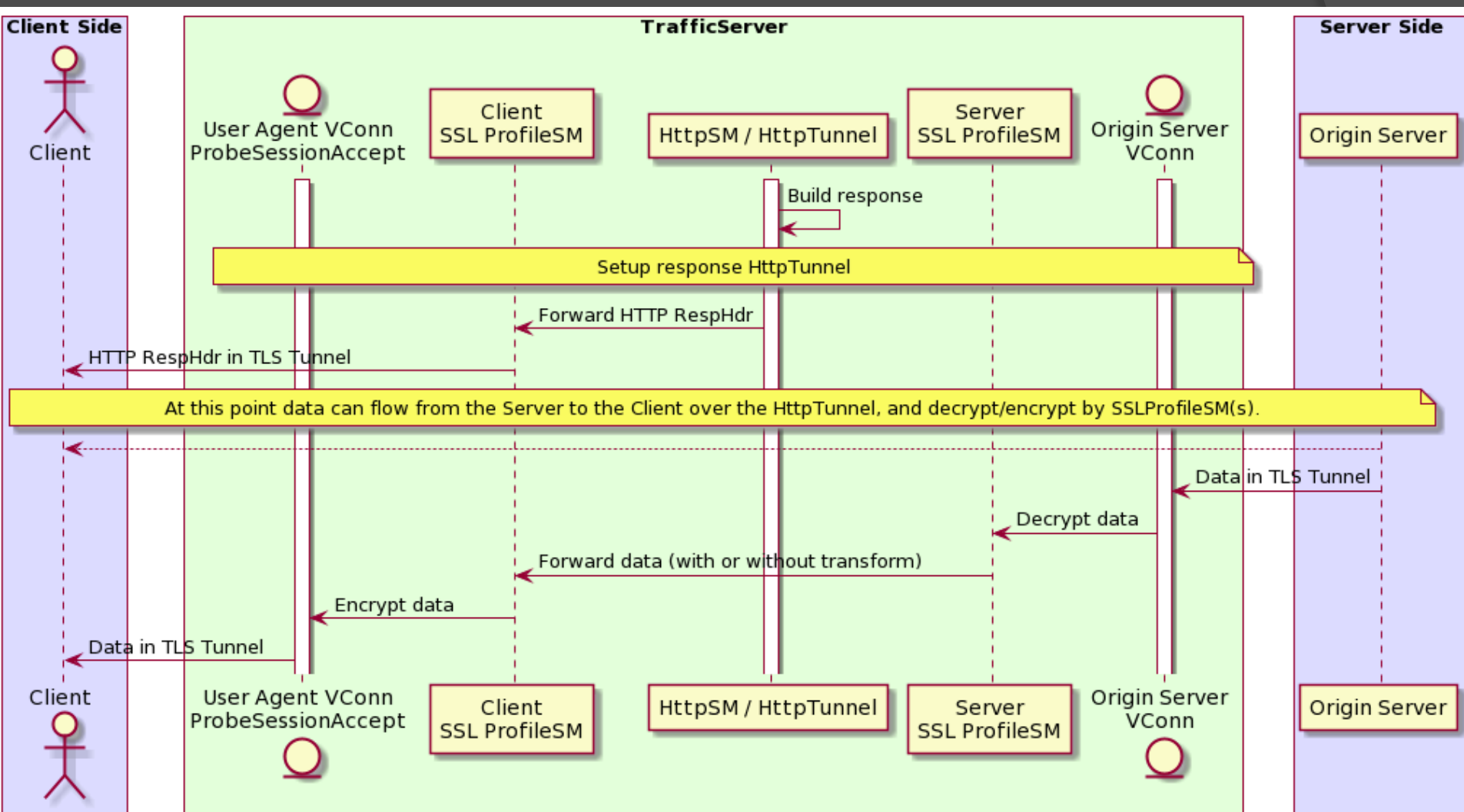
Handle SSL from Blind Tunnel 2



Handle SSL from Blind Tunnel 3



Handle SSL from Blind Tunnel 4



Handle SSL from Blind Tunnel with SslProfileSM

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box "Client Side" #DDDDFF

actor Client

end box

box "TrafficServer" #DDFFDD

entity "User Agent VConn\nProbeSessionAccept" as lvc

participant "Client\nSSL ProfileSM" as lvcssl

participant "HttpSM / HttpTunnel" as httpsm

participant "Server\nSSL ProfileSM" as rvcssl

entity "Origin Server\nVConn" as rvc

end box

box "Server Side" #DDDDFF

participant "Origin Server" as Server

end box

Client -> lvc : TCP connect and Allocate VC

activate lvc

lvc -> httpsm : Probe then new HttpSM

activate httpsm

Client -> httpsm : HTTP CONNECT

httpsm -> httpsm : Parse request then do OSDNS lookup

httpsm -> Server : TCP connect

Server -> rvc : Established then Allocate VC

activate rvc

rvc -> httpsm : Attach to HttpSM

httpsm -> httpsm : Build Response

httpsm -> Client : Send Response [HTTP/1.1 200 Connection Established]

rvc -> lvc : Attach server_vc to client_vc

deactivate httpsm

Client -> lvc : TLS ClientHello

lvc -> lvcssl : Probe then attach SSL ProfileSM

activate lvcssl

Client <--> lvcssl : TLS Handshake

Client -> lvc : HTTP GET in TLS Tunnel

lvc -> lvcssl : Decrypted from TLS Tunnel

lvcssl -> lvc : HTTP GET in plain

lvc -> httpsm : Probe then new HttpSM

activate httpsm

note over Client, httpsm : At this point data can flow between the Client and HttpSM over the client_vc, and decrypt/encrypt by SSLProfileSM.

Client <--> httpsm

httpsm -> httpsm : Parse request

note over httpsm : At this point request can be remaped, or do lookup cache, etc ...

httpsm -> httpsm : Do OSDNS lookup

lvc -> httpsm : Pickup server_vc from client_vc

httpsm -> rvcssl : attach SSL ProfileSM

activate rvcssl

httpsm -> rvc : Forward HTTP GET request

rvcssl -> rvc : TLS handshake triggered by do_io_write()

rvc -> Server : TLS ClientHello

rvcssl <--> Server : TLS Handshake

note over httpsm, Server : At this point data can flow between the HttpSM and Server over the server_vc, and decrypt/encrypt by SSLProfileSM.

httpsm <--> Server

rvc -> Server : HTTP GET in TLS Tunnel

Server -> rvc : HTTP Response in TLS Tunnel

rvc -> rvcssl : Decrypted from TLS Tunnel

rvcssl -> httpsm : Parse response hdr

httpsm -> httpsm : Build response

note over lvc, rvc : Setup response HttpTunnel

httpsm -> lvcssl : Forward HTTP RespHdr

lvcssl -> Client : HTTP RespHdr in TLS Tunnel

note over Client, Server : At this point data can flow from the Server to the Client over the HttpTunnel, and decrypt/encrypt by SSLProfileSM(s).

Client <-- Server

rvc <- Server : Data in TLS Tunnel

rvcssl <- rvc : Decrypt data

lvcssl <- rvcssl : Forward data (with or without transform)

lvc <- lvcssl : Encrypt data

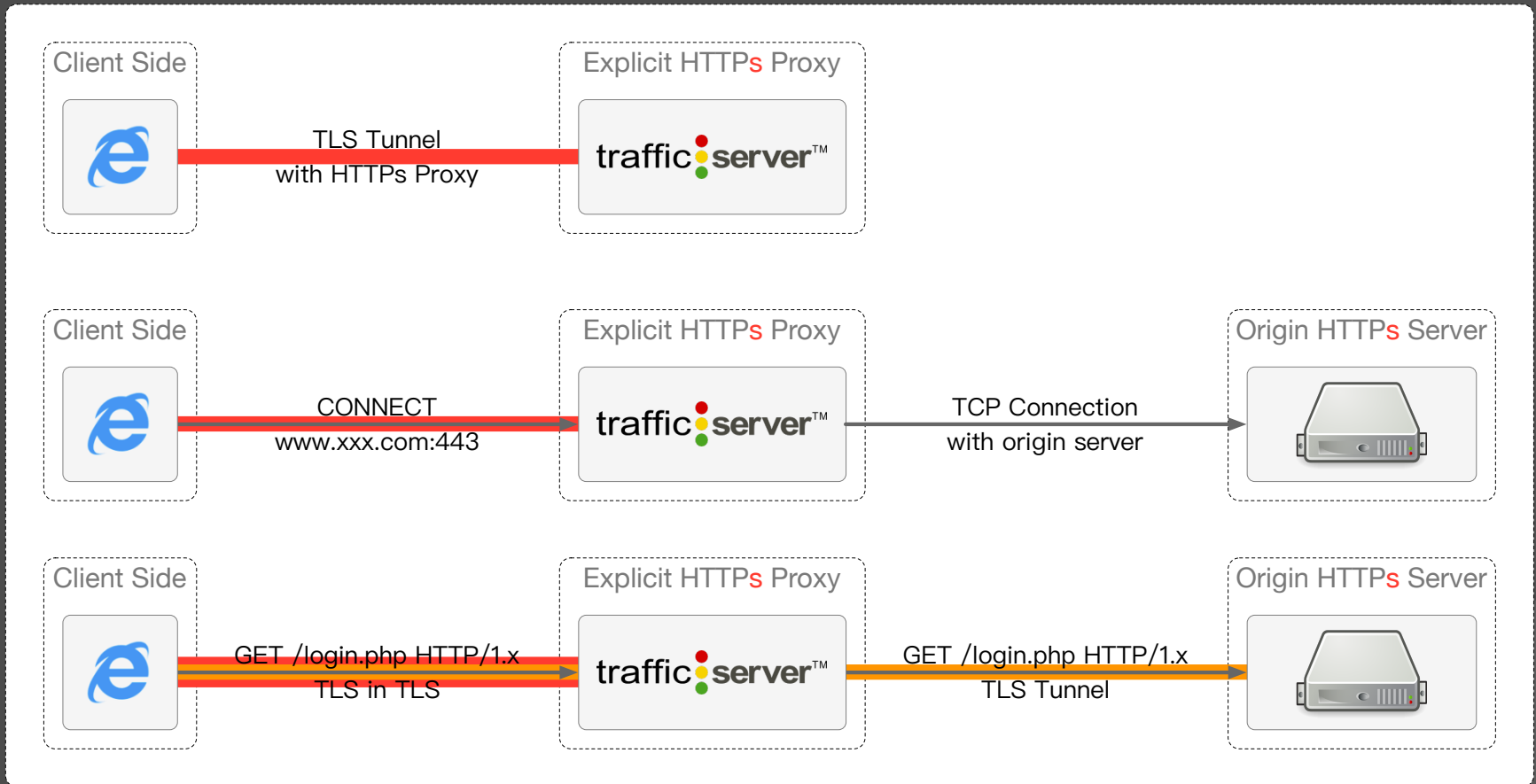
Client <- lvc : Data in TLS Tunnel

@enduml

Secure HTTP Proxy



TLS Tunnel in TLS Tunnel



SSLinSSLNetVConnection ?

Use ProfileSM to

Intercept SSL in SSL Tunnel

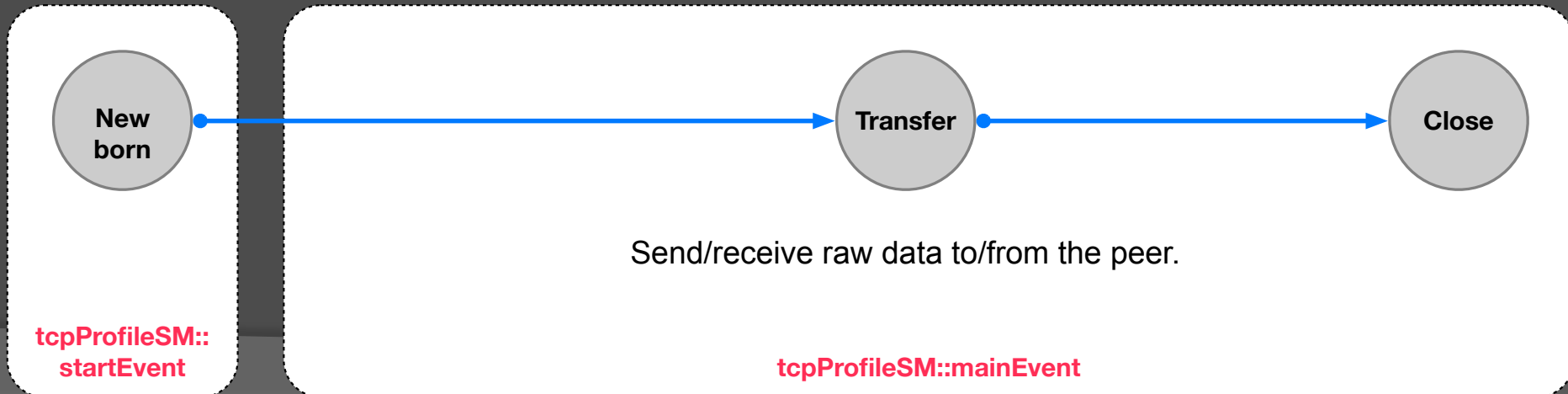
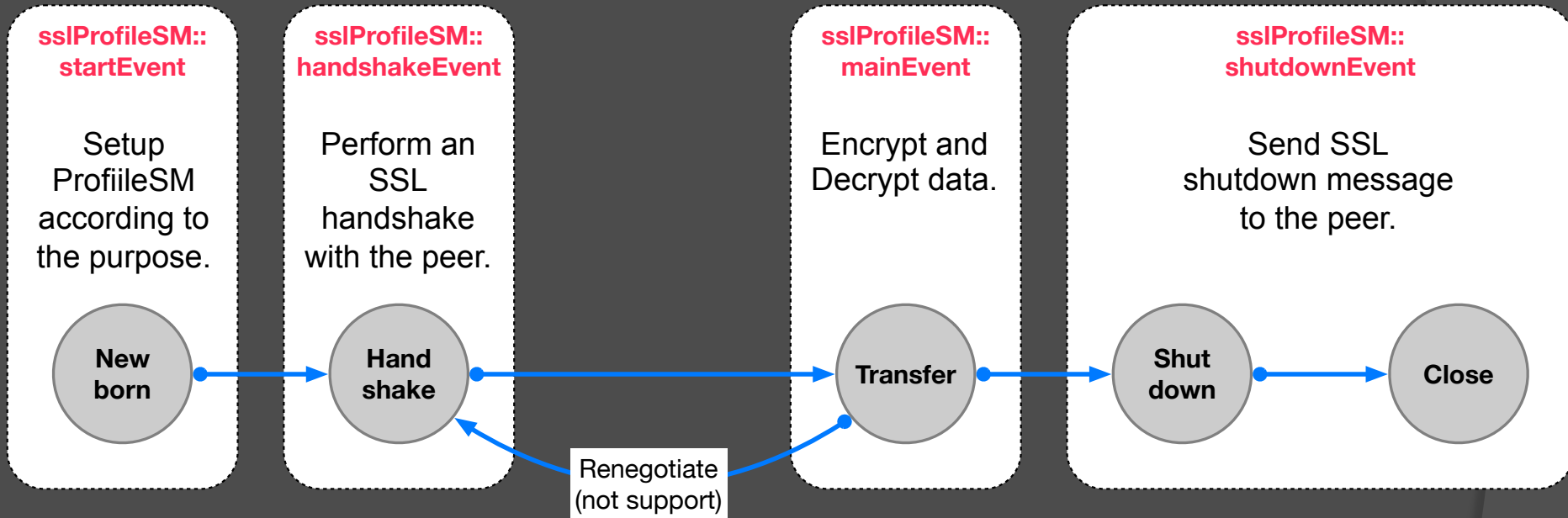
How

- ◎ SSL Read
 - Decrypt the encrypted content
- ◎ SSL Write
 - Encrypt the plaintext content
- ◎ sslProfileSM
 - Handle SSL Handshake
 - Data transform between NetVC and HttpSM
- ◎ It is just a content **transform** operation, but there are some differences:
 - Bidirectional (Read and Write).
 - Stateful (Handshake and Transfer).

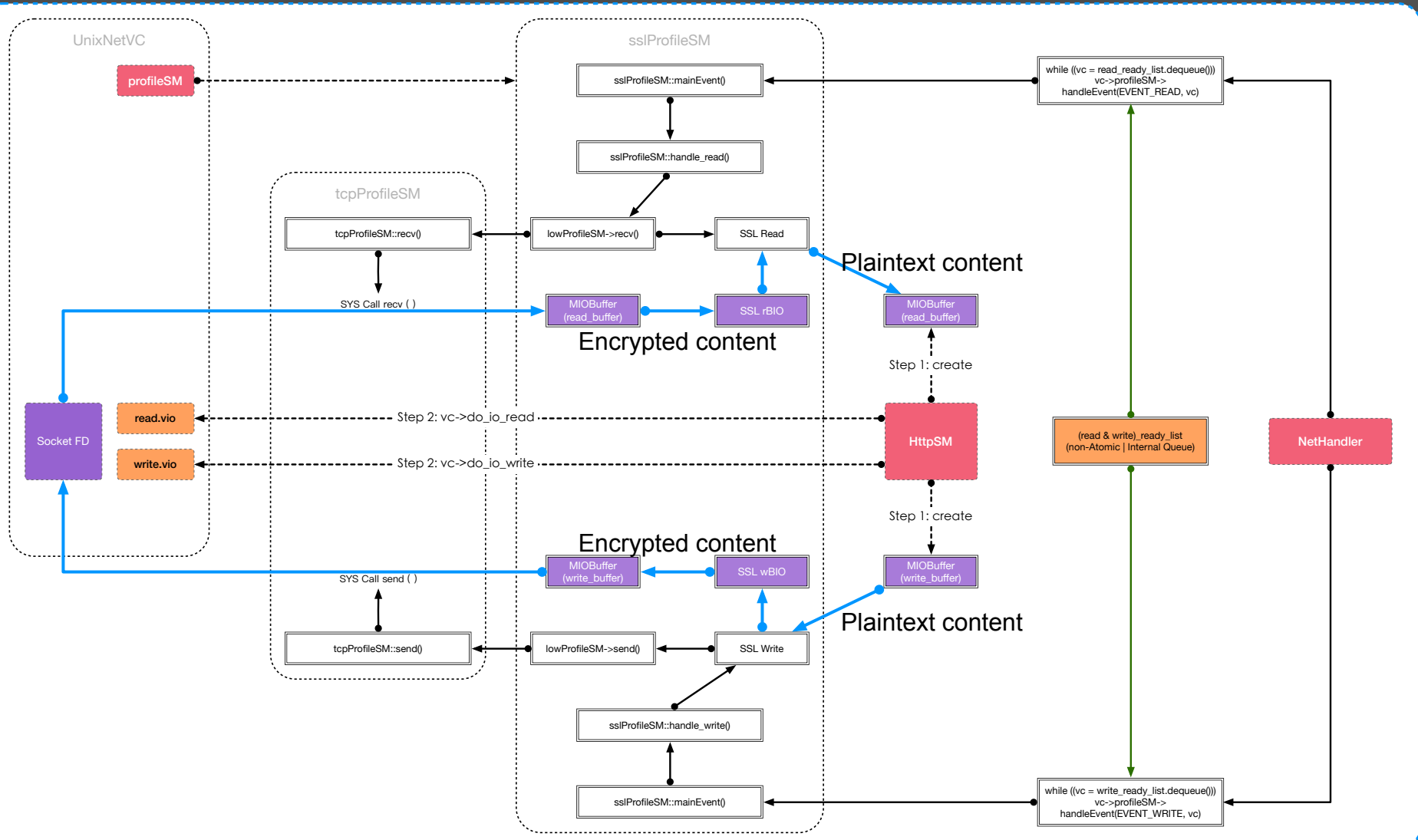
ProfileSM

- ◎ In the life of NetVConnection, it may has multiple stages: new born, pre-transfer, transfer, pre-close.
 - For TCP
 - New born: none, Pre-transfer: none,
 - Transfer: read or write, Pre-close: linger close
 - For SSL
 - New born: initial CTX, Pre-transfer: handshake
 - Transfer: encrypt or decrypt, Pre-close: SSL shutdown
- ◎ State:
 - New born: do some initialize
 - Pre-transfer: do authorize, ssl handshake
 - Transfer: read/write socket, move data, transform data
 - Pre-close: do linger close, ssl shutdown

ProfileSM - stateful



sslProfileSM – bidirectional



ProfileSM chain

- ⦿ NetVConnection is a framework for data transmission between socket fd and IOBuffer.
- ⦿ ProfileSM as the helper to define how to
 - Send/receive data
 - Transform data if necessary
- ⦿ Like Transform Plugin, ProfileSM can be chained one by one, but it is bidirectional.

Socket FD \leftrightarrow tcpProfileSM \leftrightarrow sslProfileSM \leftrightarrow HttpSM

NetVC + ProfileSM

- ◉ NetVC + tcpProfileSM = UnixNetVC
- ◉ NetVC + tcpProfileSM + sslProfileSM = SSLNetVC
- ◉ NetVC + tcpProfileSM + sslProfileSM + sslProfileSM = SSL in SSL Tunnel
- ◉ NetVC + udpProfileSM = UDPNetVC
- ◉ NetVC + udpProfileSM + dtlsProfileSM = DTLSNetVC

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Agenda

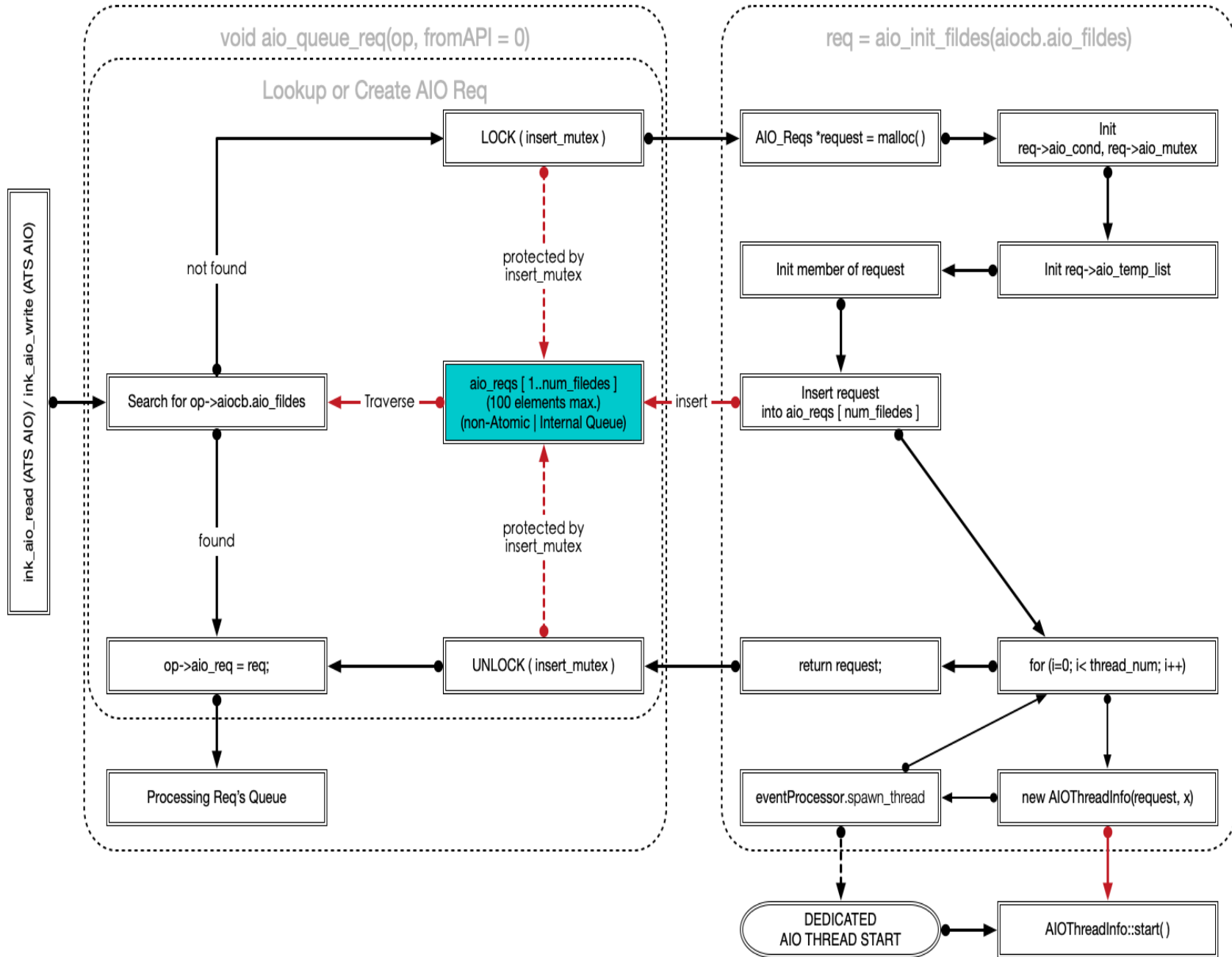
- AIO Sub-system & Native AIO
- DNS Sub-system
- TransformVConnection

AIO Sub-system

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- ◎ AIO_Reqs per file description
 - AIO_Reqs *aio_reqs[MAX_DISKS_POSSIBLE]
 - MAX_DISKS_POSSIBLE = 100
 - aio_reqs[] is protected by `insert_mutex`
- ◎ An AIO_Reqs has
 - 8 AIO threads: proxy.config.cache.threads_per_disk
 - An atomic queue: aio_temp_list
 - A sort (by priority) queue: aio_todo, http_aio_todo (p == 0)
 - Protected by aio_mutex and aio_cond

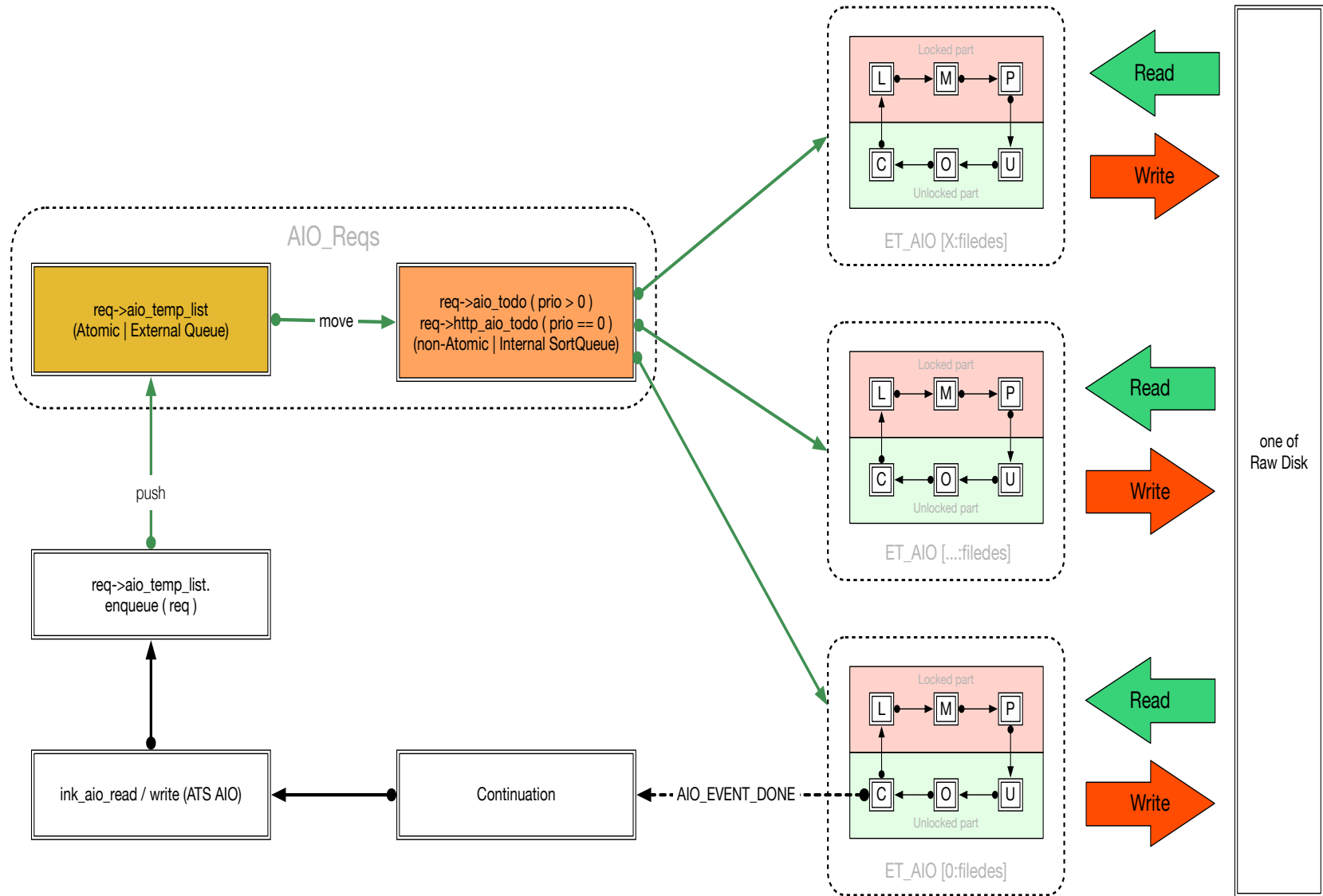
AIO Tasks Queue Lookup, Create and Insert



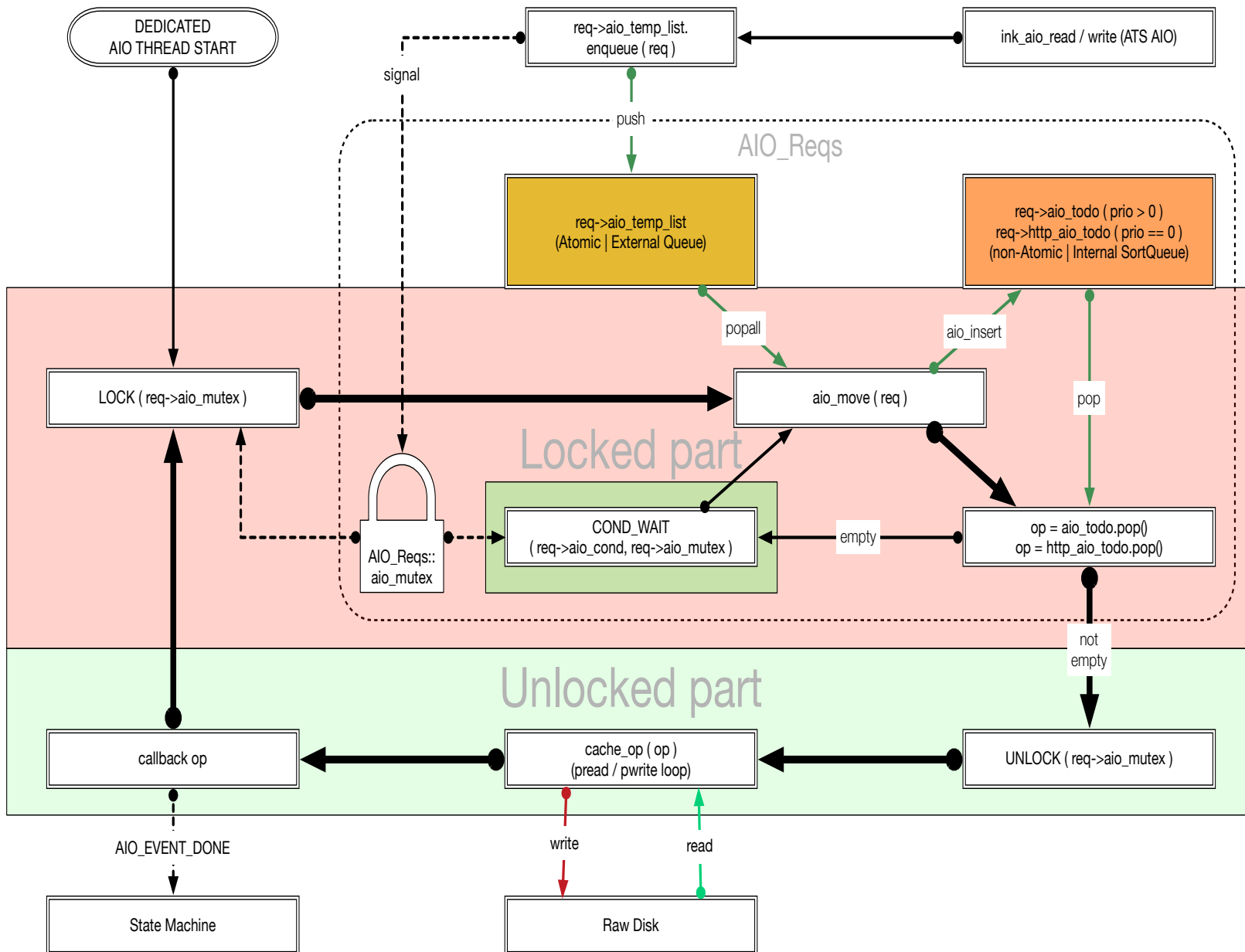
AIO Sub-system (cont.)

- ⦿ The AIO loop is blocked by one of the following operations
 - Disk I/O operations
 - Conditional wait
- ⦿ Therefore, each AIO loop consumes only one I/O task from the queue.
- ⦿ Create multiple AIO Threads to support concurrent I/O operation on specify file description (block device)

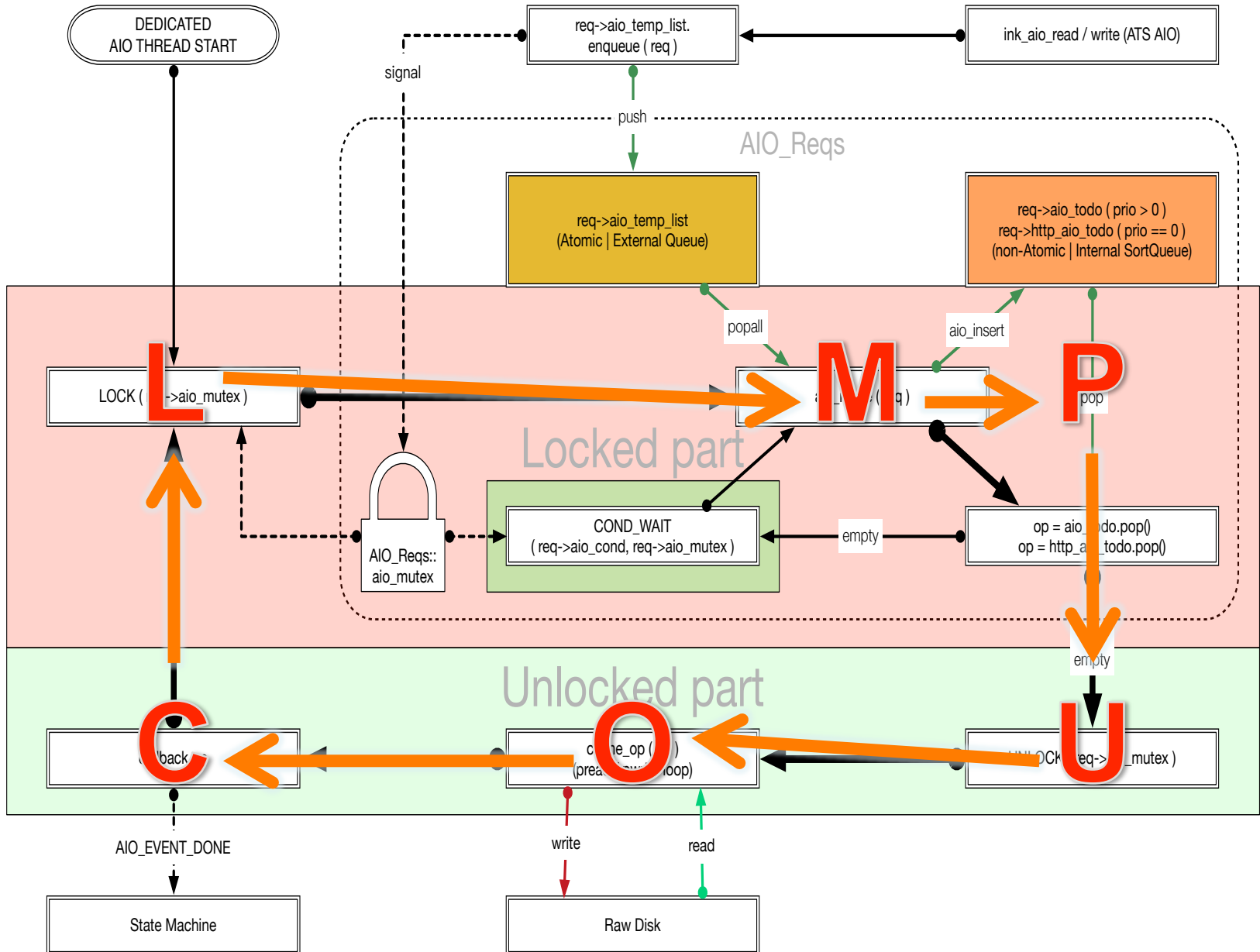
AIO Task Queue and AIO Thread Group



AIO Thread Loops



AIO Thread Loops

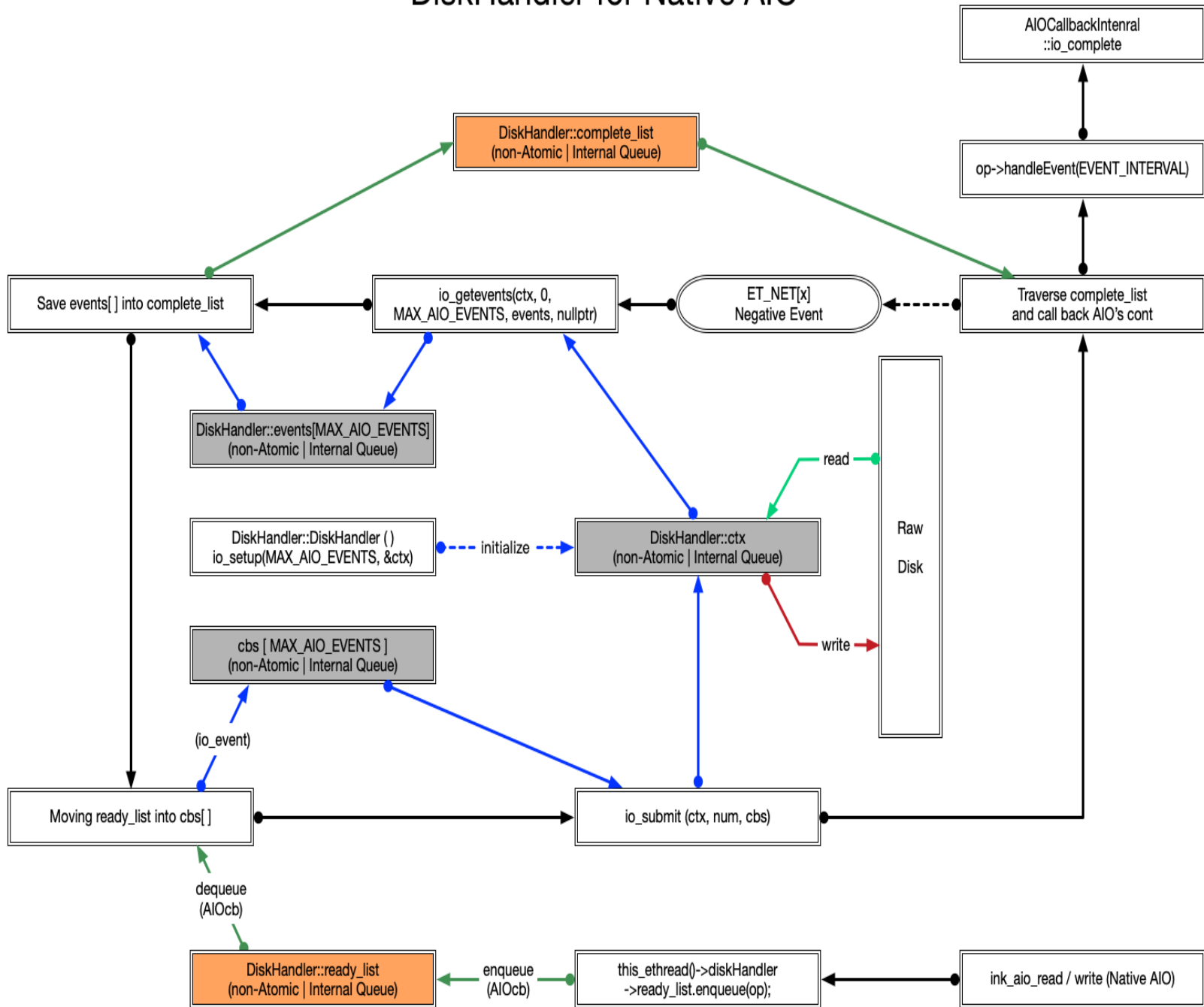


Native AIO

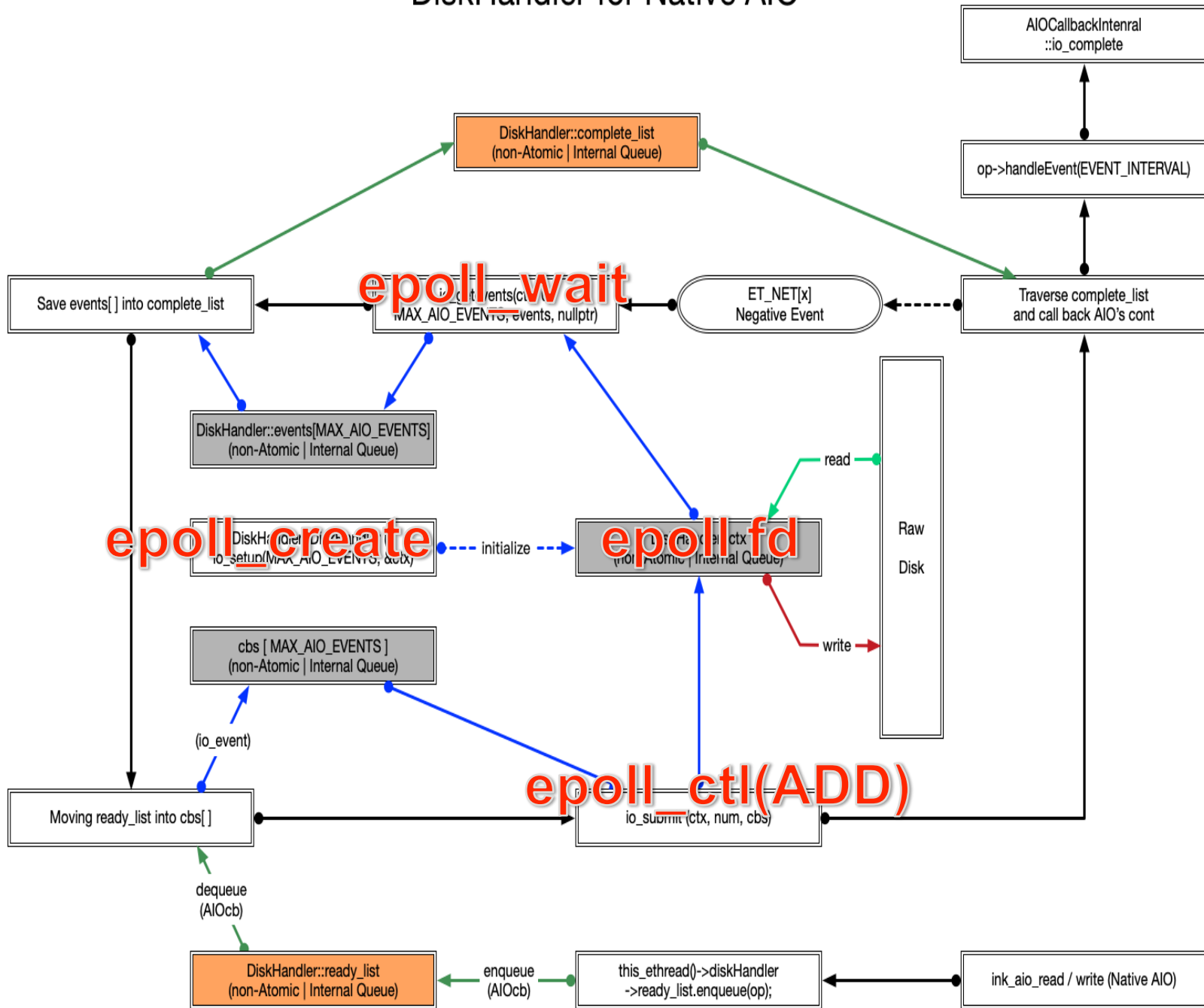
Native AIO

- ◎ Native AIO is similar to epoll system
 - `io_setup()` VS `epoll_create()`
 - `io_getevents()` VS `epoll_wait()`
 - `io_submit()` VS `epoll_ctl()`
 - `DiskHandler` VS `NetHandler`

DiskHandler for Native AIO



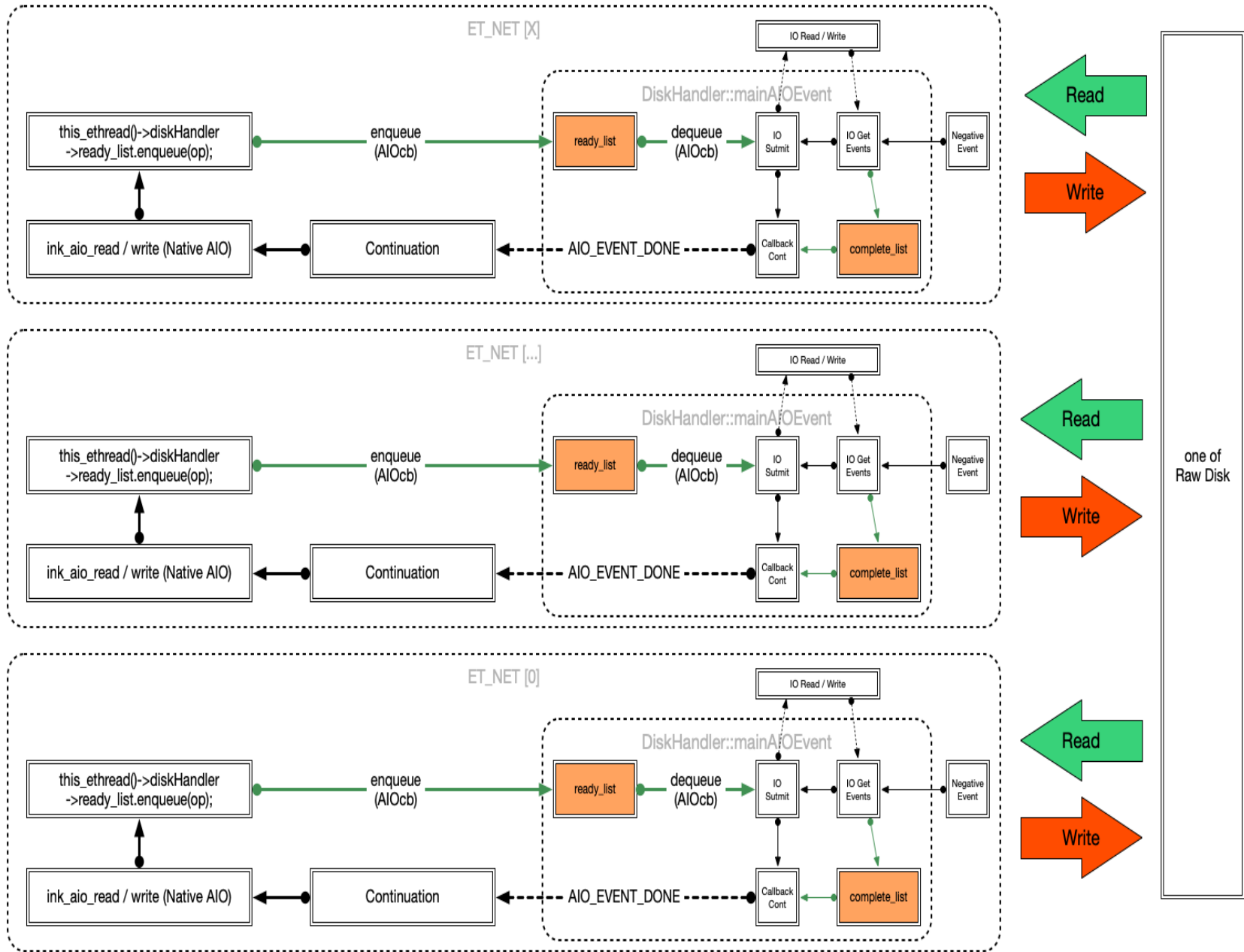
DiskHandler for Native AIO



Native AIO (cont.)

- ◎ Similar to NetHandler, DiskHandler is also in every ET_NET threads
 - Different from NetHandler, DiskHandler bundle to its EThread.
 - It shares mutex with its EThread.
- ◎ I/O tasks queue : DiskHandler::ready_list
 - EThread local queue
 - Access from current EThread only
- ◎ The level of concurrent I/O operations is controlled internally by Native AIO.

Native AIO Task Queue and DiskHandler



DNS Sub-system

DNS Sub-system

- ⦿ DNS Task Queue : DNSHandler::entries
 - Pending Entry
 - New queries / retry queries
 - Create an unique Query ID for each DNS request
 - Once DNS requests send out, It will be set to “In flight”
 - Lookup them by domain name
 - In flight Entry
 - DNS requests waiting for response
 - Lookup by domain name / Query ID

DNS Sub-system (cont.)

- ⦿ Duplicate Queue : `DNSEntry::dups`
 - Share DNS results for tasks which lookup for the same domain name.
 - Save duplicate tasks.
 - Traverse the dups queue and call back continuation one by one.

DNS Sub-system (cont.)

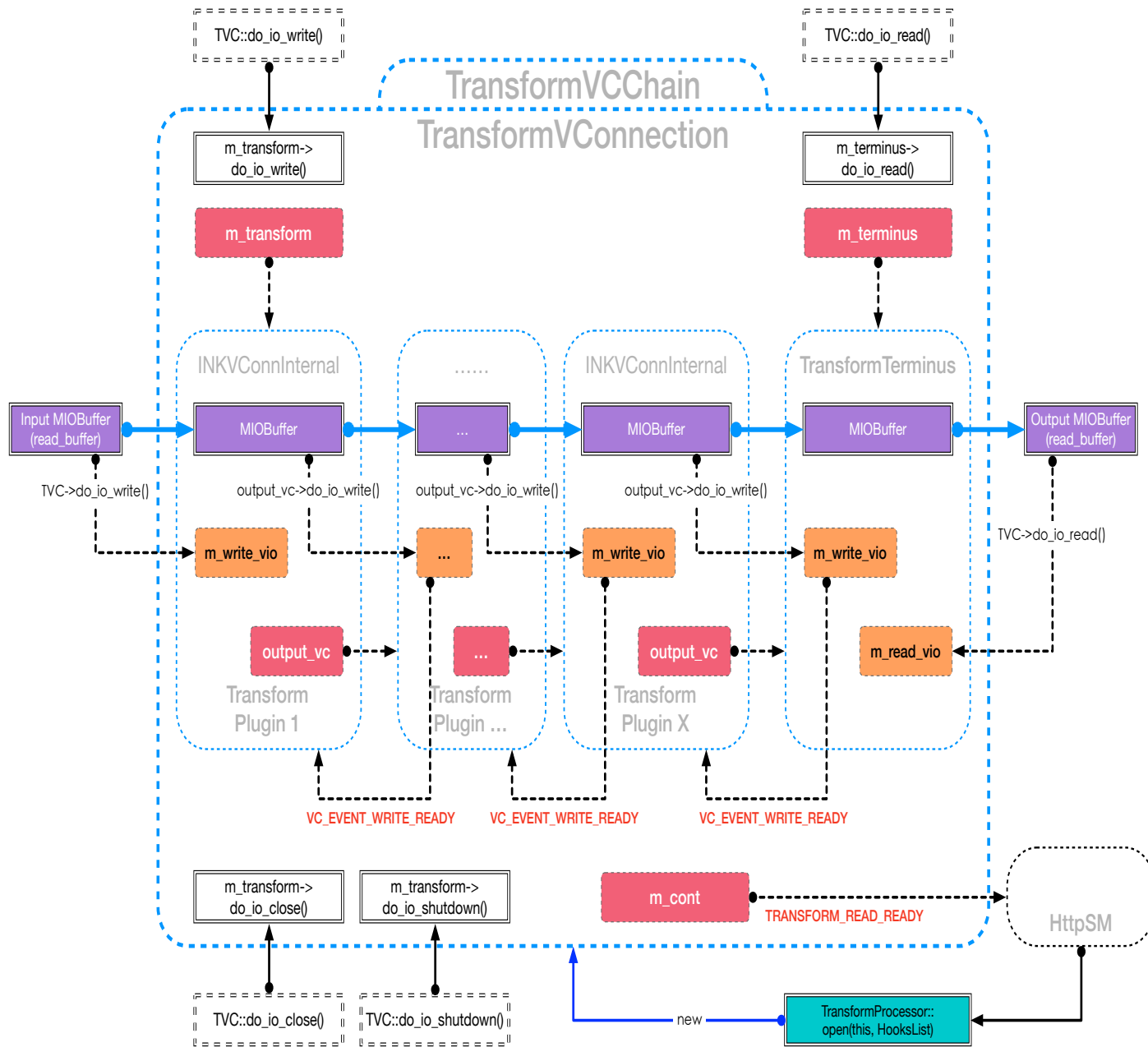
- ⦿ ET_DNS Thread Group
 - Only one EThread: ET_DNS[0]
 - 2 Key components: DNSHandler and NetHandler
 - If ET_DNS[0] shares EThread with ET_NET[0]
 - There is DNSHandler in ET_NET[0]
 - DNSHandler bundle to ET_DNS[0]
 - It shares mutex with EThread.
- ⦿ Polling on DNSConnection (UDP socket fd)
 - Only on ET_DNS[0] or ET_NET[0]
 - DNSConnection con[MAX_NAMED],
MAX_NAMED = 32

TransformVConnection

TransformVConnection

- ◎ What is TransformVConnection ?
 - TVC is a pipe/chain that is connected by one or more INKVConnInternals.
- ◎ TVC is a unidirectional pipe
 - The 1st INKVConnInternal is the input
 - The TransformTerminus is always attached to the tail as the output
 - When the TransformTerminus received any data from its upstream, it will send TRANSFORM_READ_READY event to the owner of TVC.

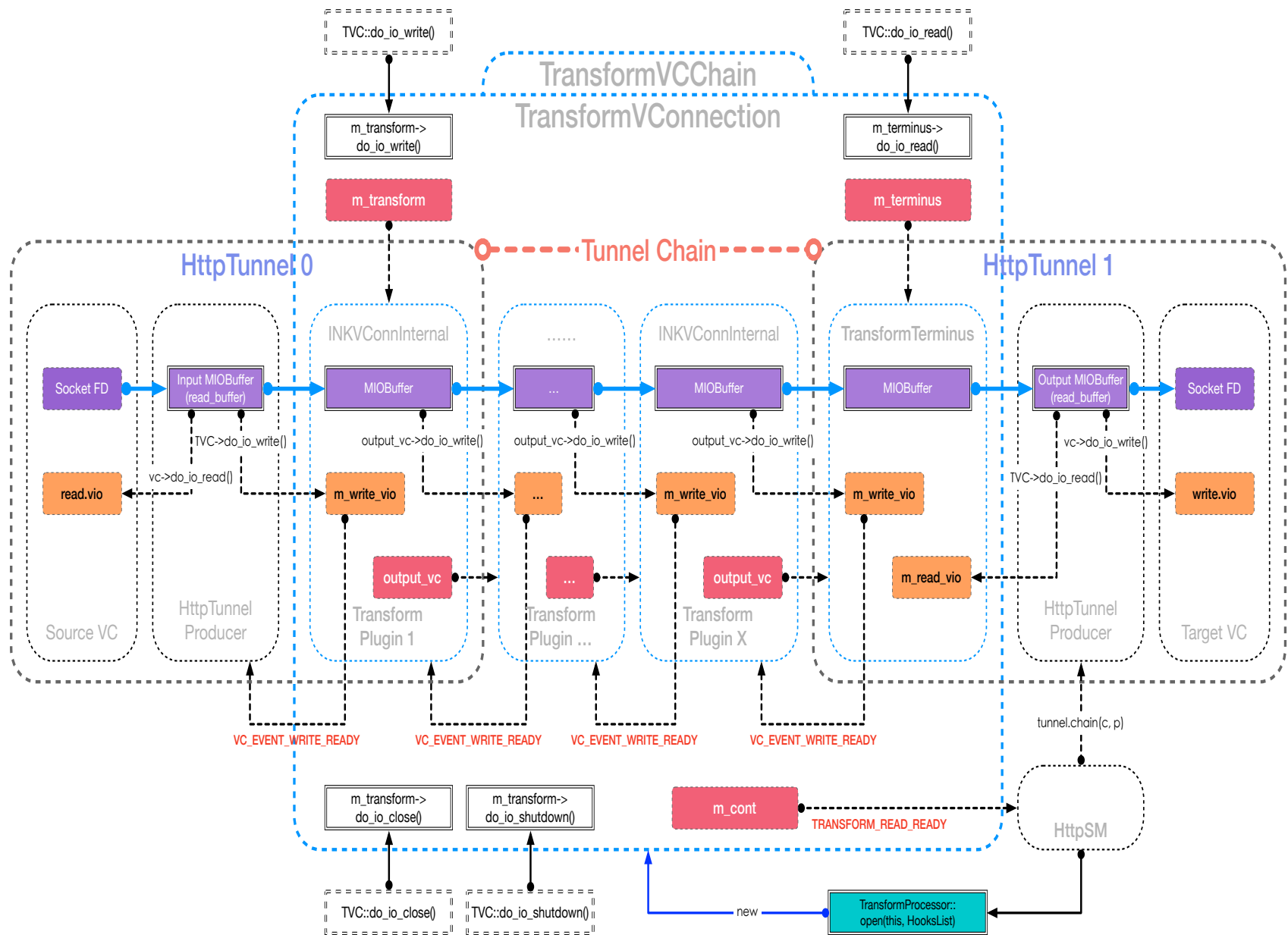
TransformVConnection



TransformVC and Tunnel Chain

- TVC as both a consumer and a producer, connecting two tunnels
- The two tunnels are chained in order to drive the data stream from TVC's input to output
- It is a complete pipe from the source VC to the target VC (for example: from client VC to server VC).

TransformVConnection and Tunnel Chain



Req and Resp Transform

⦿ Request Transform

- For POST and PUT methods, accept chunked and non-chunked content.
- The 1st HttpTunnel only verifies the integrity of the chunks but not de-chunk them. Therefore, HttpTunnel sends raw chunked content to the TransformVC.
- The plugin should identify the encoding type and decode chunked content by itself. The plugin should not change the encoding type.
- The downstream requires the exact length of content, which means the plugin should collect all chunks and get the length of raw content before write any data to downstream if the incoming content is encoded in chunked.
- It is easy to get the exact length of content if the plugin could get the value of `Content-Length` from the request.

Req and Resp Transform (cont.)

⦿ Response Transform

- For any request which has a payload with response, accept chunked and non-chunked content.
- The 1st HttpTunnel identify the encoding type and decode chunked content automatically. Therefore, HttpTunnel always sends de-chunked content to the TransformVC.
- The plugins always receives de-chunked content and sends de-chunked content to downstream.
- The INT64_MAX can be the length of content which means the content length is currently uncertain. The plugin should update ``write_vio.nbytes`` with the exact length if all content is collected.
- The 2nd HttpTunnel will chunking the content automatically according to the capability of the user agent.

Thanks