

Specification Problem around Multi PKI domain

--- Experience in Challenge PKI 2001 ---

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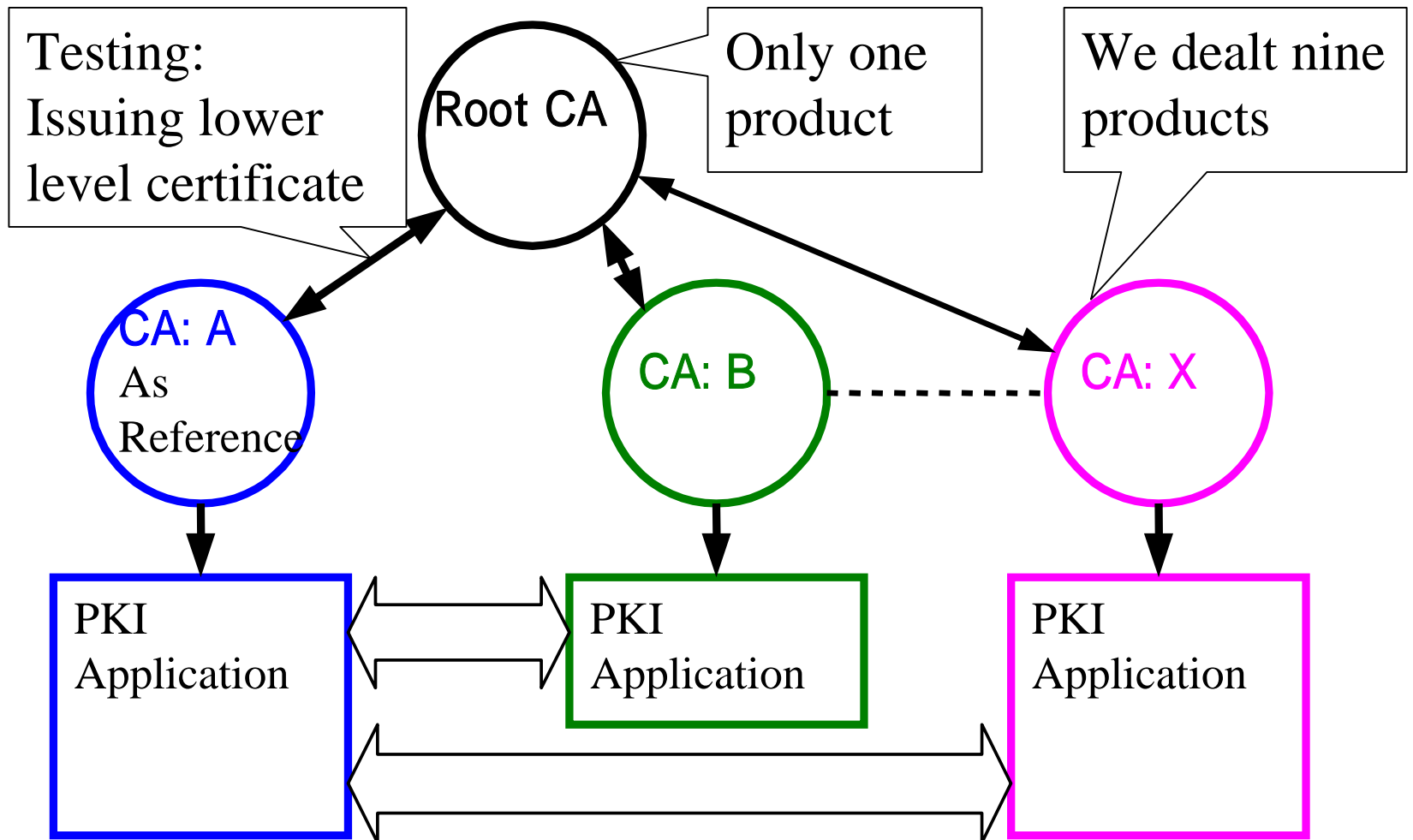
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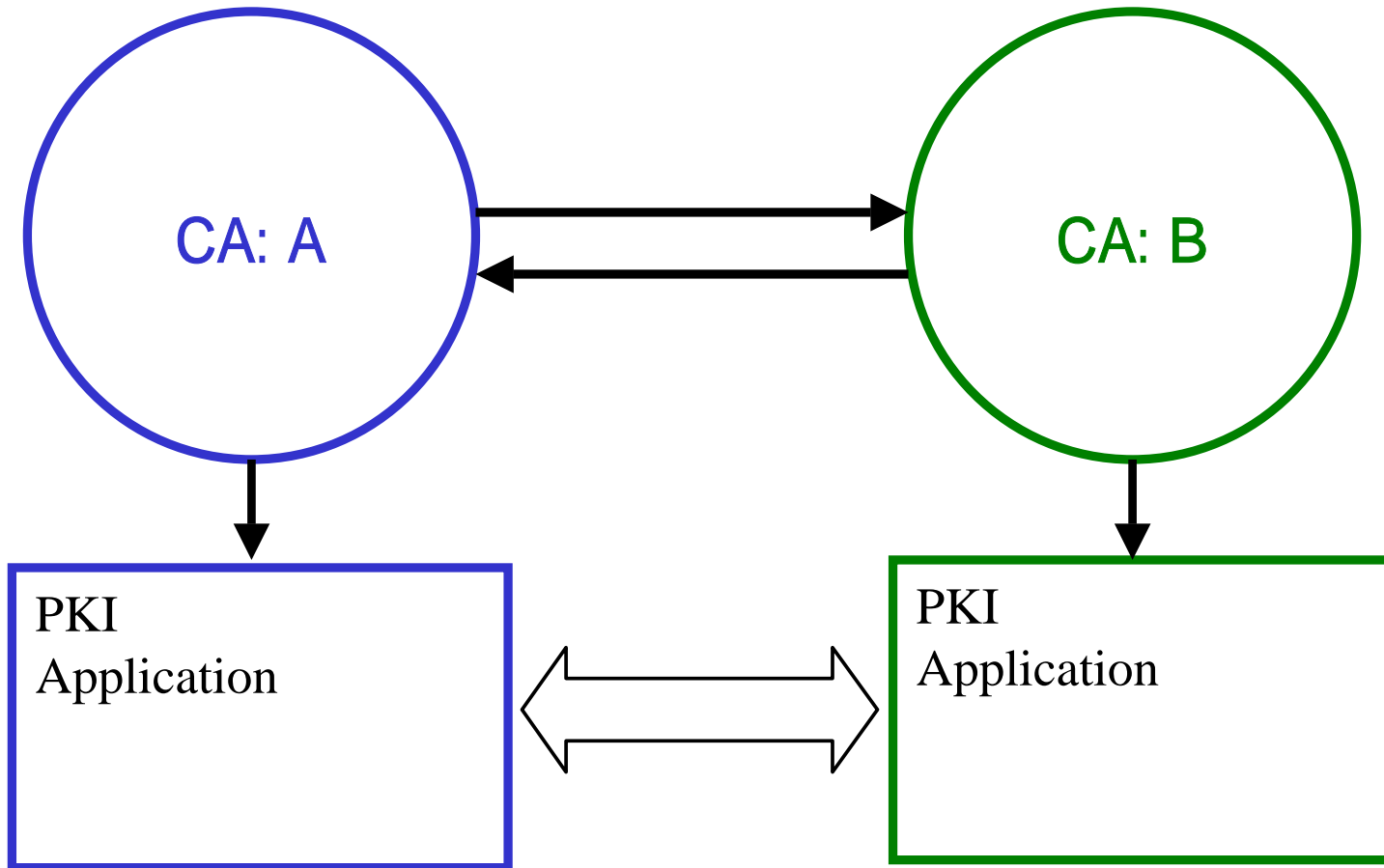
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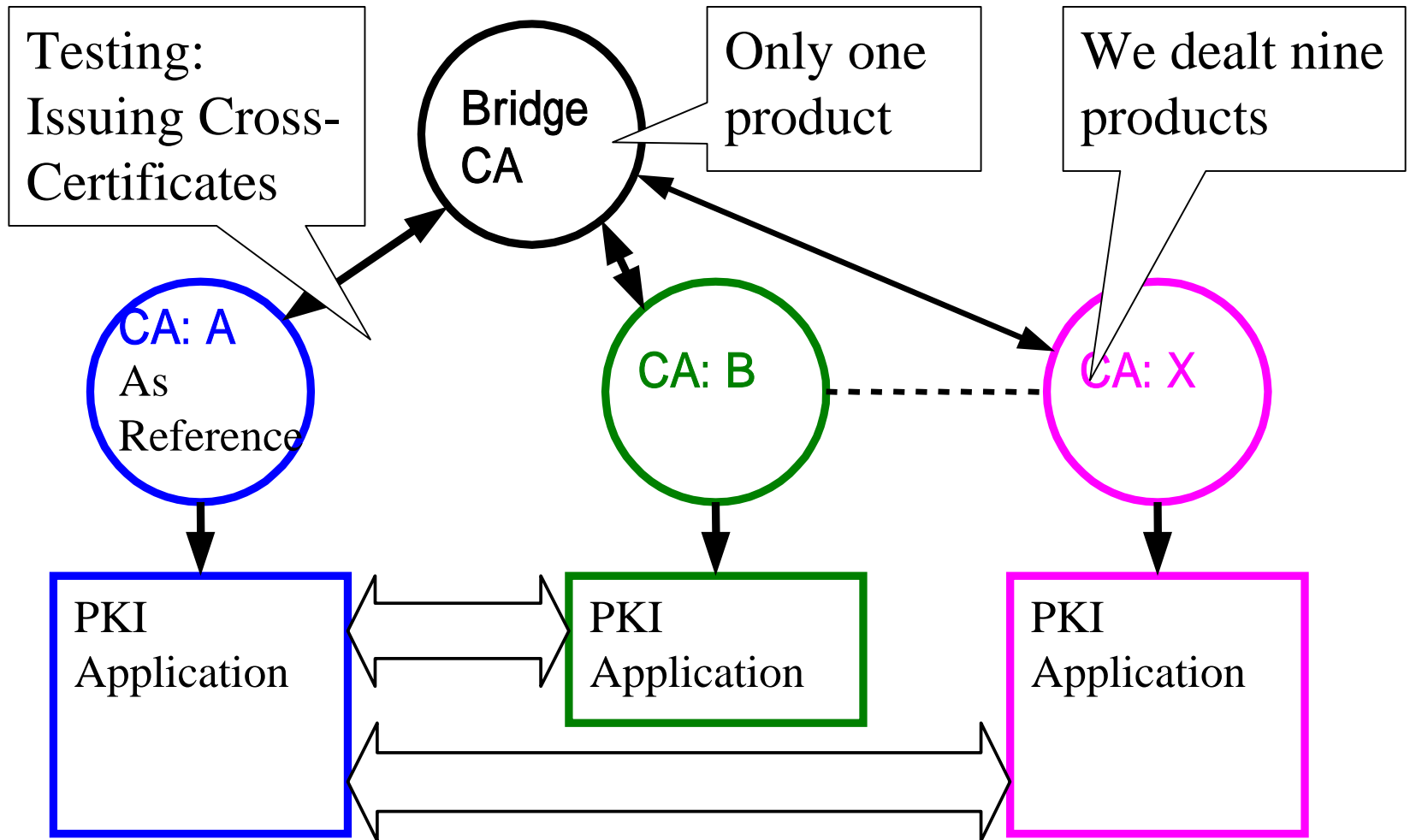
Testing environment: Strict Hierarchy model



Testing environment: Mutual Cross Certification Model



Testing environment: Bridge Model



Based on Japanese Government's GPKI profile.

Clarification is necessary !!

- Path Validation issues:
 - KeyIdentifier
 - Critical-flag
 - CRLDP/AIA evaluation order/rules.
 - CRL/ARL specification for CRLDP
- Policy Mapping issues:
 - Some CA can issue Cross Certificate
 - But critical-flag is still ‘non-critical’
 - CRL/ARL extensions are not supported

Other Findings: Based on RFC 3280

- DER encoding
 - Some CAs are using BER encoding for keyUsage field.
- DN comparing
 - UTF8String problem, case-sensitive problem, etc.
- DirectoryString order
 - There are two patterns.
- serialNumber
 - Definition is insufficient.
- basicConstraints.cA
 - Some End Entity Certificates include basicConstraints
- basicConstraints.pathLenConstraint
 - It should be used when CA is True.
- keyUsage
 - DigitalSignature, KeyEncipherment
- Issuing Distribution Point
 - It must be critical on Multi-PKI environment.
 - And client must be recognize this extension.

Related URLs:

- Challenge PKI 2001
 - http://www.ipa.go.jp/security/fy13/report/pki_interop/pki_interop.html
 - (Sorry Japanese only, English Version will be available Sep/2002)
- IPA
 - <http://www.ipa.go.jp/ipa-e/index-e.html>
- JNSA
 - http://www.jnsa.org/english/e_index.html

Next ?

- To clarify of requirements of Multi-Domain PKI environment.
- To feedback additional profile for Multi Domain PKI to son of RFC 3280 ?
- Any interest on this issue, please join !
1515 - 1600 Informal meeting @ Room 514
- Or please send mail to **multi-domain-pki@jnsa.org**
- Any comments / suggestions are welcome.