### **Transport methods**

	Component / Service Name	Purpose and Definition	User/Implementor	Notes
	DOCSIS - Data Over Cable Service Interface Specification	Protocol behind coaxial cable as a communications and content delivery method	Comcast, Liberty Global, etc – founded by CableLabs consortium	"Cable" operators transport method for both broadband & video. Today, this is mostly a hybrid of fiber within the core network and cable for "last mile"
Co III	PON – Passive Optical Network	Fiber-based communications technology for delivering "last mile" broadband (and video) access to subscribers	Comcast, Sky, Liberty Global, NOS, Deutsche Telekom, etc	Several overlapping standards that generally define the delivery (to the home) of data over a physical fiber link – see ONU/ONT
	DSL – Digital Subscriber line	The technology behind broadband service delivered over traditional telephone (copper) lines	Sky (broadband), Deutsche Telekom, Vodafone, etc	More prevalent in Europe and overseas, and rapidly being replaced by PON technologies but still has a very large subscriber base despite a lack of new growth
	DBS – Direct Broadcast Satellite	Primarily a <i>video</i> delivery method directly to end users via Satellite, but data can be sent as well	Sky (video), any Satellite provider	Typically 1-way communication from Satellite to end- user, but 2-way can be augmented using subscriber's source of internet for additional features and services (such as OTT video)
	Cellular based (4G/LTE, 5G)	Wireless transport method of delivering data (including OTT video) via existing cellular infrastructure for fixed residential use	T-Mobile, Verizon, many Cellular providers worldwide.	Different use-case than data being served on mobile phones. Intended to be <i>primary</i> data connection for that subscriber at their fixed resi location - Cellular networks are used between towers and user's cellular modem(s), while fiber serves the towers themselves. This is similar to how DOCIS uses cable as last-mile, but fiber within its core

#### **Hardware**











	Component / Service Name	Purpose and Definition	User/implementor	Notes
	SoC – "System on a Chip"	Embedded Hardware providing the basis for OEMs to build devices – RDK-V, B C	Broadcom, Intel, Amlogic, Realtek, Qualcomm, Quantenna	Chipset, memory and other components – lowest level of a device's componentry/hardware
	STB – Set Top Box	Typically provided by an MVPD to a subscriber, hardware/software device that allows playback of video and other content in a customer home	Any MVPD providing video to end users, plus the OEMs building them	It is possible to provide a video service 100% OTT, such as HuluTV or YouTubeTV, or use COAM video playback devices to serve the STB function (eg Roku or AppleTV)
ON ON OTHER	Video Accelerator	Platform(s) to rapidly develop, test and Delivery with RDK	Manufactured by: Commscope, KAON, Humax and other OEMs	Provides a "ready-made" platform to fast-track testing and development for efforts such as RDK4 and easy familiarization for new MVPDs
	BLE – Bluetooth Low Energy - (Voice remote*)	Efficient standards-based wireless data transmission method, used primarily in RDK(-V) for 2-way remote controller communication with the STB	Tech4Home, Commscope, Humax, Kaon, RDK Management, RDK community	Used heavily within the <u>Video accelerator program</u> , in the process of being spec'ed for further use within the rest of the RDK community



Abstraction (Architecture concept)

### **Application and Software Framework**

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Compositor (see next slide for examples)	Window and input manager	Necessary component of any multi-window, multi- app, multi-process software platform	The component that handles app window overlay, what is the active screen and minimizing/closing a resource based on available memory and user actions
Thunder	Lightweight C++ Application	RDK community	Modular architecture

Component / Service Name | Purpose and Definition | User/Implementor | Notes

development for the platform

Well-defined, idealized interface,

device at a general or abstract level rather than at a detailed

more specific level

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Lightning	Lightweight Javascript framework	•	Lightning is am app development framework offering great portability and performance. Leverages WebGL to increase performance



HTML5	Web-based technology allowing	Open Web + RDK	Web-based technology for rendering graphics and
	for the playback of	community	playing video/audio in a browser.
	video/audio/apps without specific		

Software development

Implementation is up the individual operator +



	intended to reduce complexity of layered software systems	community (not RDK specific)	component being engineered
HAL - Hardware Abstraction Layer	Software layer allowing application and component interaction with a hardware	RDK Community, OEMs	Eases both development and porting efforts, increases device reliability and can also assist support efforts on lower resource devices

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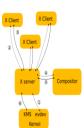
#### **Development, Testing and Telemetry**

	Component / Service Name	Purpose and Definition	User/Implementor	Notes
	Raspberry Pi	Commercial off the shelf - Open- source, Linux-based single board micro-computer with a low price point	RDK community	Standardized hardware configuration and adequate processing power, its used by the RDK community as a reference platform for most initial testing and development of all things RDK
	WebPA	protocol messaging system for communication between cloud server and client devices	Comcast, other ISPs	Developed originally by Comcast and later open- sourced. Secure and web-based, not specific to RDK
Sono	<u>TR-069</u>	protocol messaging system for communication between cloud server and IP-connected devices	RDK Community, other ISPs	Messaging protocol that can co-exist with others such as WebPA depending on the requirements of the MVPD/ISP
O.Kin	<u>TR-181</u>	Device data model used by protocols such as TR-069 and WebPA to communicate telemetry	RDK Community, other ISPs	Among other features, this is the list of codes, states, device issues that correspond to the remote management of devices in a customer's home



### **Graphics and Window Management (RDK-V)**





	Component / Service Name	Purpose and Definition	Implementor	Notes
	RDK Shell	Window manager	Comcast	Controls the management of composition, layout, Z order, and key handling
	Essos	Abstraction that allows for easy implementation of a compositor	RDK community	API + abstraction that allows implementation of Westeros
	Weston	Compositor based on Wayland	Linaro	Lightweight implementation of Wayland
or	Westeros	Compositor based on Wayland	Comcast	Feature-rich implementation of Wayland
	Wayland	Specification protocol used by the compositor	Open Source community*	protocol for a compositor to talk to its clients as well as a C library implementation of that protocol.



### **Applications**

	Component / Service Name	Purpose and Definition	User/Implementor	Notes
Ŏ	App Store (concept within RDK)	A pre-integrated platform of apps available for Operators using the RDK-V platform	Metrological, Comcast, RDK-Management, RDK- Community (+ Metro customers)	Metrological created, later fully integrated with RDK-V to dramatically ease the development, maintenance and reliability of applications within the RDK-V community
	Premium apps	RDK-V implemented user-apps that allow for the playback of content from said subscription and free services	MVPD provided, subscriber used	Typically "OTT" apps that have their own subscriptions or access from the account level, RDK simply provides access to that resource for user consumption
	Native (entertainment) apps	Apps integrated into RDK-V by default by an operator	RDK community, Metrological, Comcast	Eg Weather app, Sports, Games, Music streaming – simple apps often utilizing C-language as opposed to interpreted language (e.g. HTML5 or Lightning)
	Other user-apps	Smarthome, Network apps, Account management apps	RDK Community, Comcast	Apps that could control other home services (Smarthome, internet management and/or home security) created for use via the RDK-V platform.
	Voice-search and navigation	Voice-based interface for interacting with compatible STBs	RDK Community, Comcast, Sky, Liberty Global, etc	Usually a cloud-based voice search and command translation + action engine for compatible STBs.  There are concurrent similar components within the RDK community and outside that are being considered for integration
	SDK			



## **Rights Management and Content Delivery**

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	Component / Service Name	Purpose and Definition	User/Implementor	Notes
3	CDN	Content Delivery Network - network of geographically distributed data centers and proxy servers run by an MVPD for their subscribers	Any video provider/broadcaster/aggr agator (Comcast, AT&T, Sky)	The system that houses and delivers video, securely, to the end user when requested (VOD) or linear (Title 6, etc)
	CAS	Conditional Access System – mode of securely transmitting video content from CDN to STB	Any video provider/broadcaster/aggr agator (Comcast, AT&T, Sky)	The mechanism that authenticates and allows (or blocks) video asset access based on the customer subscription level, location and/or device state for broadcast content
	DDM	Digital Pights Management	Any content	In short, conveight protection applied to files and





		video content from CDN to STB	agator (Comcast, AT&T, Sky)	subscription level, location and/or device state for broadcast content
	DRM	Digital Rights Management – digital components or services tasked with controlling access to copyrighted material such as video	Any content provider/retailer/broadcast er (Comcast, Apple, HBO, etc)	In short, copyright protection applied to files and digital assets before they're transmitted to the end user for OnDemand content
	OpenCDN	A multi-site CDN implementation utilizing cache servers in strategic locations	RDK Community, Many Video content delivery services	Intended to create conditions to "lower the distance between content and its users", to increase speed, reliability, redundancy and quality when delivering video
	OpenCDM	Open Content Decryption Module	RDK Community	Component intended to perform secure decryption of content with support for PlayReady and Widevine, etc

## **Simplified Architecture**

**Generic - For example only** 

