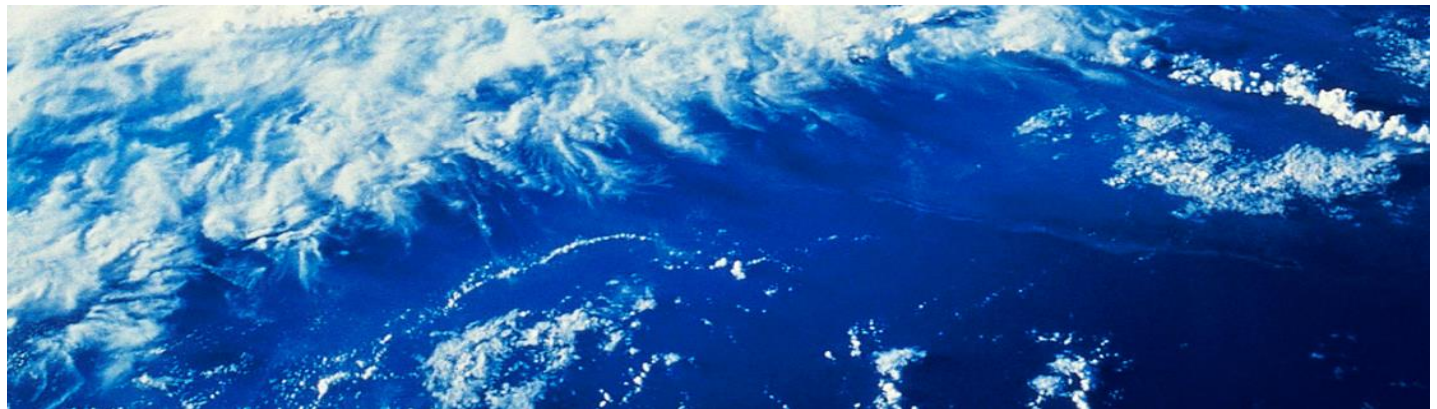
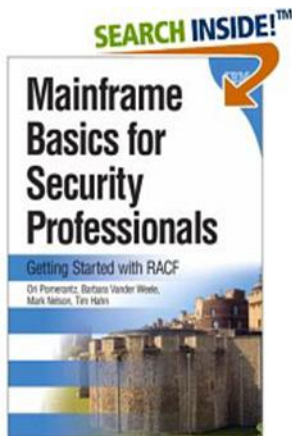


# RACF<sup>®</sup> Update

## z/OS<sup>®</sup> V2.2

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# Common Criteria Update

# Common Criteria Update

## ■ Recent Common Criteria Evaluations of Interest:

- z/OS V2.1/RACF, EAL5+, 14 April, 2015
  - z/OS V2.1, EAL4+, 2 September 2014
  
  - z/OS V1.13, EAL4+, 12 September, 2012
  - z/OS V1.13/RACF, EAL5+, 27 February, 2013
  
  - z/VM Version 6 Release 3, EAL4+, 30 March, 2015
  - z/VM Version 6 Release 1, EAL4+, 20 February, 2013
  
  - PR/SM for IBM zEnterprise EC13 GA1, EAL 5+, 15 October, 2015
  - PR/SM for IBM zEnterprise EC12 GA2/BC12 GA1 EAL5+, 19 February, 2014
  - PR/SM for IBM zEnterprise EC12 GA1 EAL5+, 19 February, 2013
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- **z/OS V2.2 and RACF are in evaluation**
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- [http://www.ibm.com/security/standards/security\\_evaluations.html](http://www.ibm.com/security/standards/security_evaluations.html) has the details

# Read-Only Auditor

# Read-Only Auditor

- **The read-only auditor (ROAUDIT) user attribute grants the user the ability to perform all of the activities of a user with the AUDITOR attribute except the ability to:**
  - Change profile content (such as AUDIT/GLOBALAUDIT settings)
  - Change system logging options
- **ROAUDIT allows a user to list all information about any RACF profile without needing to grant that user additional authority to those profiles**
- **Suitable for use by an external auditor who may need to verify the current security state of a system**
- **Assigned to users with the ADDUSER and ALTUSER commands**

# Read-Only Auditor...

- **Syntax:**
  - ADDUSER <user\_ID> ROAUDIT
  - ALTUSER <user\_ID> ROAUDIT
  - ALTUSER <user\_ID> NOROAUDIT
- **The RACF “list” commands honor ROAUDIT**
  - LISTDSD, LISTGRP, LISTUSER, RLIST, SETROPTS LIST, SEARCH
- **z/OS UNIX ck\_access honors ROAUDIT**
- **The RACF utilities that honor ROAUDIT: DSMON, IRRUT100, and IRRXUTIL**
- **If ROAUDIT and AUDITOR are set, AUDITOR attribute takes precedence**

# RRSF Enhancements



# RRSF: Dynamic Main Switching

- **RACF's Remote Sharing Facility (RRSF) allows the definition of multisystem nodes (MSNs) which are collections of systems which use shared DASD to share a RACF database.**
- **Switching the MAIN system in a multisystem node is a challenging “11”-step manual processes that is not feasible for short-term changes**
- **RRSF Dynamic Main Switching allows you to replace this onerous process with a single command**
  - Allows you to avoid even minor outage windows
  - Allows you to move RRSF workload off of a busy system
  - New programming interfaces introduce possibility of automating the switch entirely

# RRSF: Dynamic Main Switching...

## The “Dreaded 11-Step Process”:

- 1) Drop TSO/E and JES on the original local main system.
- 2) On the original local main system, issue the RACF STOP command to stop the RACF subsystem.
- 3) Make connections dormant:
  - 1) On the local system that is to be the new main, issue a TARGET DORMANT command for its local connection. Also **issue TARGET DORMANT commands to make all connections with remote nodes dormant.**
  - 2) **On each remote node, issue TARGET DORMANT commands** for the original and new main systems. Do not perform step 7 until the INMSG files for the original and new main systems on each remote node have drained.  
**Issue TARGET LIST commands to verify** that the INMSG data sets on the local node have been drained **before you go on to the next step.**
- 4) If the workspace data sets for the original main system and the new main system are not on shared DASD with a shared catalog, copy the workspace data sets for the original main system to DASD accessible to the new main system, using the same workspace data set names.
- 5) On the new main system, issue a TARGET MAIN command to make it the main system. **If you have not specified the prefixes for the workspace data sets and the LU names for the member systems consistently** in the TARGET commands that defined the local multisystem node, **this step will fail.**
- 6) **Issue the same TARGET MAIN command** that you issued in step 5 **on each nonmain system** on the local multisystem node. Issue this command on the original main system only if it is to remain in the multisystem node.
- 7) Issue TARGET LIST commands to **verify that the INMSG data sets on the remote nodes have been drained** before you perform this step. **On each remote system** (that is, all remote systems of all remote nodes), issue the same TARGET MAIN command that you issued in step 5.
- 8) On the new main system, issue TARGET OPERATIVE commands to make the connection with itself and all connections with remote nodes operative.
- 9) **On each remote system** (that is, all remote systems of all remote nodes), issue TARGET OPERATIVE commands for the original main (if it is to remain in the multisystem node) and new main systems.
- 10) **Update the TARGET commands in the RACF parameter libraries for all systems on all nodes** in the RRSF network to reflect the new main system. If you fail to update the RACF parameter library for a system, the next time that system has its RACF subsystem restarted or is IPLed, the original TARGET commands will be issued, and requests and returned output will accumulate in the wrong OUTMSG workspace data set. However, RACF will issue appropriate error messages and prevent communications.
- 11) If the original main system is still part of the multisystem node, (and assuming that you have updated its RACF parameter library as discussed in step 10) restart the RACF subsystem, TSO/E and JES on the original main system.

## RRSF: Dynamic Main Switching...

- **When the Multisystem Node is in a sysplex, from any system in the multisystem node, issue:**

```
TARGET NODE (msn-name) SYSNAME (new-main) PLEXNEWMAIN
```

- **RACF confirms the change with the message:**

```
IRRM110I SYSTEM new-main HAS REPLACED SYSTEM old-  
main AS THE MAIN SYSTEM IN LOCAL NODE msn-name
```

- **Optionally, update the RACF parameter library to “harden” the change**

## RRSF: Dynamic Main Switching...

- **When the Multisystem Node is not in a sysplex, from the current MAIN system in the multisystem node, issue:**

```
TARGET NODE (msn-name) SYSNAME (new-main) NEWMAIN
```

- **RACF confirms the change with the messages:**

```
IRRM098I DRAINING SYSTEM OF INBOUND WORK. DO NOT  
INITIATE THE MAIN SWITCH ON THE NEW MAIN SYSTEM  
UNTIL MESSAGE IRRM099I IS ISSUED
```

```
IRRM099I ALL INBOUND WORK HAS COMPLETED. IT IS NOW  
SAFE TO INITIATE THE MAIN SWITCH ON THE NEW MAIN
```

## RRSF: Dynamic Main Switching...

- **From the new MAIN system, issue:**

```
TARGET NODE (msn-name) SYSNAME (new-main) NEWMAIN
```

- **RACF confirms the change with the message:**

```
IRRM102I SYSTEM new-main IS NOW THE MAIN SYSTEM IN  
LOCAL NODE msn-name.
```

- **From the remaining peer systems, issue:**

```
TARGET NODE (msn-name) SYSNAME (new-main) NEWMAIN
```

- **Optionally, update the RACF parameter library to “harden” the change**
- **Note that only z/OS V2.2 systems support dynamic main switching**

# RRSF: Unidirectional Connections

- **When two systems are connected using RRSF, it is impossible to prevent a privileged user on one system from escalating his privilege on the other system.**
  - This issue is exacerbated if one system is a “test” system
- **With Unidirectional RRSF connections, one RRSF node can define another RRSF node such that inbound requests from that node are denied**
  - This can help protect against accidental or malicious damage to your production system
  - You can demonstrate to an auditor your compliance with your security policy, regardless of the configuration established on the remote node

## RRSF: Unidirectional Connections...

- The **DENYINBOUND** keyword on the **TARGET** command is used to reject commands from the specified node:

```
TARGET NODE (thatnode) DENYINBOUND
```

- When the remote node is a multisystem node:

```
TARGET NODE (thatnode) SYSNAME (*) DENYINBOUND
```

- **SYSNAME(\*)** is not required as RACF will ensure that the setting is consistent across all systems when a single **SYSNAME** is changed.
- To change your mind, use **ALLOWINBOUND**.
  - This is the default, so you don't need to code it in the parameter library
- **DENYINBOUND** is ignored if specified for the **LOCAL** node

# Enhancements for z/OS UNIX



## z/OS UNIX: Search Authority

- **When opening a file in the z/OS UNIX directory, the user must have READ and SEARCH authority on all directories in the path to the file**
  - Even if the user has an administrative authority such as SUPERUSER.FILESYS.CHANGEPERMS
  - Many installations have just granted those users a higher-than-desired authority such as AUDITOR or SUPERUSER.FILESYS
- **READ authority to the resource SUPERUSER.FILESYS.DIRSRCH in the UNIXPRIV class grants the user read and search permissions on z/OS UNIX directories**
  - Does not grant read, write, or execute permission to ordinary z/OS UNIX files
  - Does not grant write permission to z/OS UNIX directories
  - Generic profiles are supported

# z/OS UNIX: FSEEXEC Control

- **Using profiles in the new FSEEXEC class, installations can prevent the execution of files within the file system**
  - Profile name must match the FILESYSTEM name specified on the MOUNT statement
  - Profile name is case sensitive
  - Generic profiles are supported
  - Useful for directories such as /tmp where any user can write files

- **Example:**

```
RDEFINE FSEEXEC /tmp UACC(NONE)
      or
RDEFINE FSEEXEC OMVS.ZFS.ADMIN.** UACC(NONE)
PERMIT OMVS.ZFS.ADMIN.** CLASS(FSEEXEC) ID(FRED) ACC(UPDATE)
SETR RACLIST(FSEEXEC) REFRESH
```

## z/OS UNIX: FSEXEC Control...

- **SUPERUSER or AUDITOR does not override FSEXEC denial of access**
- **FSEXEC is supported for zFS and tFS file systems**
- **FSEXEC does not apply to file systems mounted with the ‘-s nosecurity option’**
- **On denial, ICH408I message text includes ‘ACCESS ALLOWED (FSEXEC ---)’**

# **Password Enhancements for z/OS V2.2**

# Password Enhancements for z/OS V2.2

- You never need an ICHDEX01 exit unless you are implementing your own password algorithm
- RACF\_ENCRYPTION\_ALGORITHM Health Check raises an exception if KDFAES is not active
- ADDUSER will not assign a default password
  - `ADDUSER STU TSO(...) OMVS(...) NAME('DISCO STU')`
    - ... now shows `ICH01024I User STU is defined as PROTECTED.`
  - ALTUSER and PASSWORD cannot be used to reset a password to the user's default group. It can, of course, be explicitly assigned...if your rules allow it!
- RACLINK DEFINE(*node.user/pwd*) supports password phrases
- The RACF ISPF panels support the new OA43999 functions

**Require only READ Authority for  
IRRDBU00 Input Data Sets if  
PARM=NOLOCKINPUT Specified**

## IRRDBU00: Require only READ Authority

- Since its inception, IRRDBU00 has required UPDATE authority to the RACF data set(s) which are used as input
- With V2.2, if you specify PARM=NOLOCKINPUT, only READ authority is required
- Eliminates the need to use the “trick” of specifying LABEL=(,,IN) on the input DD statement

# Certificate Enhancements



# RACDCERT Granular Authority

- **Currently, the authority to issue RACDCERT commands is controlled using profiles in the FACILITY class with resources named IRR.DIGTCERT.<racdcert function>**
  - READ authority allows you to act on your own certificate or key ring
  - UPDATE allows you to act on the certificate of another user
  - CONTROL allows you to act on a CERTAUTH or SITE resource
  
- **There is no ability to control operations on a certificate based upon:**
  - Owner
  - Certificate label
  - Key ring name
  - Function
  
- **There is limited ability to allow for a segregation of RACDCERT authorities among the administrators**
  
- **There is no way to enforce an naming convention for certificates and key rings**

## RACDCERT Granular Authority...

- Granular control is turned on by the presence of the profile **IRR.RACDCERT.GRANULAR** in the **RDATA LIB** class
- If the profile **IRR.RACDCERT.GRANULAR** does not exist, the original **IRR.DIGTCERT.<racdcert function>** profile(s) in the **FACILITY** class will be used.
- **Applies to these 13 RACDCERT functions only:**
  - **Certificate:** ADD, ALTER, DELETE, EXPORT, GENCERT, GENREQ, IMPORT, REKEY and ROLLOVER
  - **Ring:** ADDRING and DELRING
  - **Certificate and Ring:** CONNECT and REMOVE

## RACDCERT Granular Authority...

- **When granular control is enabled, one or both types of the following profiles in the RDATA LIB class will be checked for READ access, depending on whether a certificate, a ring or both is involved**
- **For certificates:**
  - IRR.DIGTCERT.<cert owner>.<cert label>.UPD.<racdcert cert functions>
    - where 'cert owner' is the RACF user ID, or CERTIFAUTH (for certificate owned by CERTAUTH), or SITECERTIF (for certificate owned by SITE)
    - EXPORT may use IRR.DIGTCERT.<cert owner>.<cert label>.LST.EXPORT if no private key is exported
    - If the function involves multiple certificates, such as exporting a chain of certificates, multiple profiles will be checked

## RACDCERT Granular Authority...

- **For key rings:**
  - IRR.DIGTCERT.<ring owner>.<ring name>.UPD.<ADDRRING or DELRING>
  
- **For certificates and key rings:**
  - IRR.DIGTCERT.<cert owner>.<cert label>.LST.<CONNECT or REMOVE>
  - IRR.DIGTCERT.<ring owner>.<ring name>.UPD.<CONNECT or REMOVE>

# PKI Services: OCSP

- **Currently, the Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) is used to get revocation status of certificates.**
  - OCSP requires server responses to be signed but does not specify a mechanism for selecting the signing algorithm to be used
- **Prior to z/OS V2.2, z/OS PKI Services could only use the same signing algorithm used for certificate and Certificate Revocation List (CRL) signing specified in the configuration file to sign the OCSP response**
- **PKI Services can now sign the OCSP response with the client specified signing algorithm through an extension in the request in the way documented by RFC6227**
- **PKI Services chooses the signing algorithm as follows:**
  - If the request contains the Preferred Signature Algorithms extension, PKI will pick the first one on the list
  - If it is not on PKI's supported list or it does not meet the contemporary standards, such as md-2WithRSAEncryption, md-5WithRSAEncryption, the next one will be used
  - If none of the specified algorithms is supported by PKI Services or meet the contemporary standard, PKI will use the one specified in the configuration file

# PKI Services: Multiple Administrative Approvals

- **PKI Services supports both automatic approval mode and administrator approval mode**
- **In the administrator approval mode, only one administrator is required to approve the requests**
- **Some government agencies require all PKI products to have an “NxM” authentication factor**
  - For example, two PKI administrators have to validate a request before issuing the certificate
- **PKI Services will now allow the administrator approval mode to support multiple number of approvers**
- **A configuration option will be provided in the CGI templates file and JSP templates xml file to set the number of administrators required to approve a certificate request**
  - The option will be provided on a per template basis
- **A change of the configured number of approvers will not affect the existing certificate requests, only the new requests**

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# **RACF Support for IBM Multifactor Authentication (IBM MFA)**

# z/OS Multi-Factor Authentication

- **Multi-factor Authentication on z/OS** provides a way to raise the assurance level of OS and applications / hosting environments by extending RACF to authenticate users with multiple authentication factors

- **Authentication Factors:**

- Something you know  
A password / PIN Code
- Something you have  
ID badge or a cryptographic key
- Something you are  
Fingerprint or other biometric data



- **Today on z/OS, users can authentication with:**

- Passwords, Password phrases, PassTickets, Digital Certificates, or via Kerberos

- **Today's problem:**

- 2014 Verizon Data Breach Investigations Report said 2 out of 3 breaches involved attackers using stolen or misused credentials.
- In the case of an attempted breach using comprised credentials, the extra protection that MFA provides can make the difference between having a secured vs. compromised system.
- Breaches impact clients financially, their customers, and their reputations



# IBM Multi-Factor Authentication for z/OS

Higher assurance authentication for IBM z/OS systems that use RACF



- **IBM Multi-Factor Authentication on z/OS** provides a way to raise the assurance level of OS and applications / hosting environments by extending RACF to authenticate individual users:
- **Support for third-party authentication systems**
  - RSA® Ready supporting RSA SecurID® Tokens (hardware & software based)
  - Direction to support IBM TouchToken – Timed One time use Password (TOTP) generator token
  - Direction to support PIV/CAC cards - Commonly used to authenticate in the Public Sector enterprises
- **Tightly integrated with SAF & RACF**
  - RACF provides the configuration point to describe multi-factor authentication requirements down to a per User ID basis
  - Deep RACF integration for configuration and provisioning data stored in RACF database allowing seamless back-up and recovery



*Fast, flexible, deeply integrated, easy to deploy, easy to manage, and easy to use.*

*Achieve regulatory compliance, reduce risk to critical applications and data*

*Architecture supports multiple third-party authentication systems at the same time*

## Typical Client Use Cases:

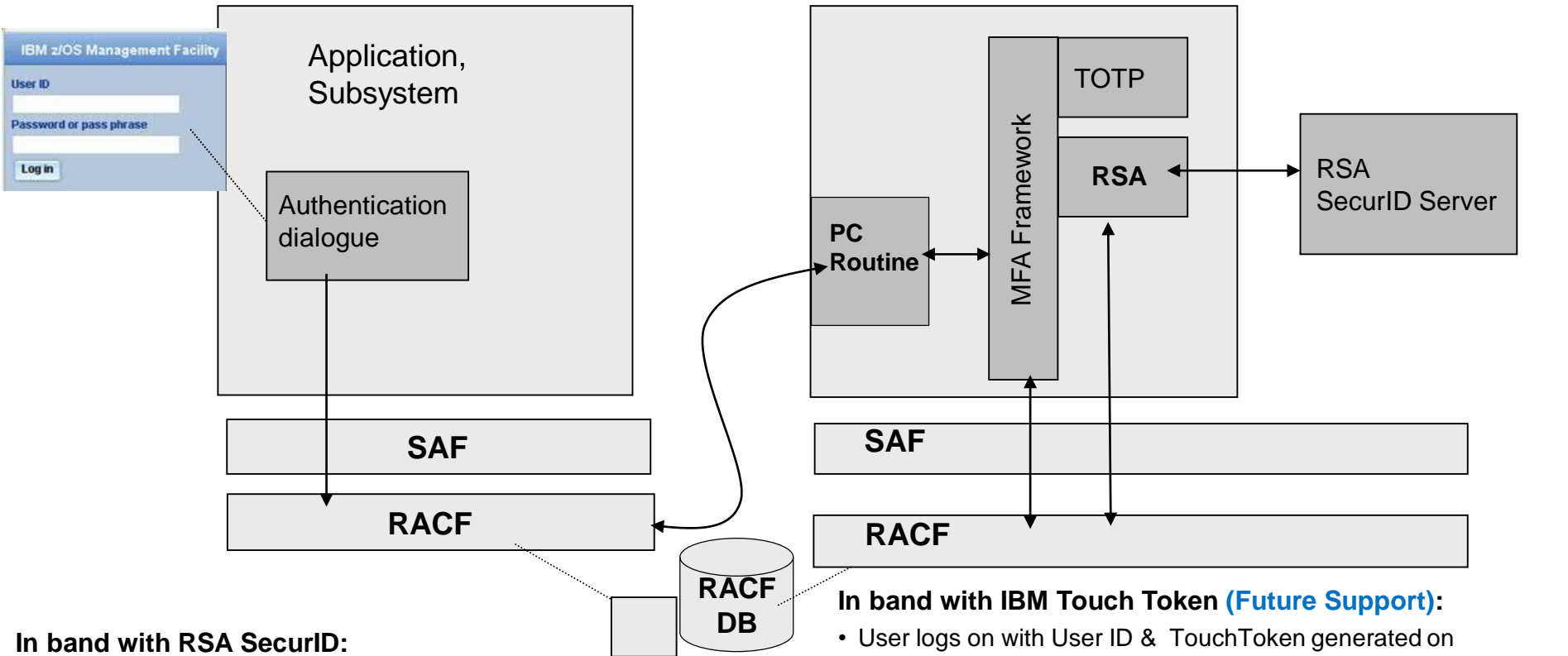
- **Enable higher-security user logins** on IBM z/OS systems that use RACF for security
- Enable strong authentication for employees that carry **iOS devices** or **RSA SecurID** tokens

# RACF & MFA Services and Related Support

- **RACF MFA support introduces extensions to a variety of components of RACF**
  - User related commands
    - Allow the provisioning and definition of the acceptable MFA tokens for a user
    - Definition of **authentication token types**
  - **Extensions to SAF programming interfaces**
    - Provides new SAF services for z/OS MFA Services allowing the access to MFA data stored in the RACF database.
  - **Auditing extensions**
    - Tracks which factors used during the authentication process for a given user
  - **Utilities**
    - RACF Database unload non-sensitive fields added to the RACF database used by MFA processing
    - SMF Unload – unloads additional relocate sections added to SMF records
    - Related to the tokens used on a specific authentication event
- **z/OS MFA Services started task**
  - z/OS MFA address space which tracks state for user authentication events
  - Provides an anchor for communications for factors such as RSA SecurID



# Architectural Overview



## In band with RSA SecurID:

- User logs on with User ID & RSA SecurID Token and PIN
- RACF determines if the user is an MFA user & calls the MFA Services
- MFA Services calls RACF to retrieve user's MFA factor details
- MFA Server validates the users authentication factors and calls RSA Server
- RACF uses MFA Services RCs to allow or deny the logon

## In band with IBM Touch Token (Future Support):

- User logs on with User ID & TouchToken generated on provisioned iOS device
- RACF Determines if the user is an MFA user & calls MFA Services
- MFA Server calls RACF to retrieve user's MFA factor details
- MFA Server validates the users authentication factors in this case the IBM TouchToken code
- RACF uses MFA Services RCs to allow or deny the logon

# MFA RACF User Profile Management

- MFA Factor fields is stored in the RACF user profile
- Defined by a RACF Administrator via ALTUSER command

- Example ALTUSER Syntax:

```
[ MFA (
  [ PWFALLBACK | NOPWFALLBACK ]
  [ FACTOR(factor-name) | DELFACTOR(factor-name) ]
  [ ACTIVE | NOACTIVE ]
  [ TAGS(tag-name:value ...) ]
    | DELTAGS(tag-name ... )
    | NOTAGS ]
)
| NOMFA ]
```

- RACF will call the MFA Services task to validate the factor specific information that is specified on the ALTUSER command TAGS keyword
  - If a syntax error or unknown name value pair is supplied MFA Services will reflect an error to RACF
    - RACF issues a message and a MFA Services provided message which indicates the nature of the syntax error

# Initial MFA Authentication Factors

## RSA SecurID Tokens

Requires RSA SecurID server configured to the MFA Server

Since in the case of RSA SecurID requires an external configured server instance – this could represent a point of failure.

Supports both hard and soft RSA SecurID tokens



## IBM TouchToken – Timed One time use Password generator token – **Post GA deliverable**

Authentication factor that can be directly evaluated on z/OS

Helps to ensure that there is always a means of enforcing two factor authentication for users

Provisioned with a shared secret key into the iOS key ring from z/OS



# UC1: Sample Logon Interaction with z/OSMF Using Soft RSA SecurID Tokens

- User enters their User ID and token generated code in the password field.
  - The User's pin is not entered during logon processing

The image displays two screenshots of the IBM z/OS Management Facility (z/OSMF) interface. The top screenshot shows the login page with the user ID 'MDDECRB' and a password field. A green dot in the password field is connected by a line to the passcode '4019 2341' on a Soft RSA SecurID token. The bottom screenshot shows the user logged in as 'mddecrb' and the main dashboard of the z/OSMF interface.

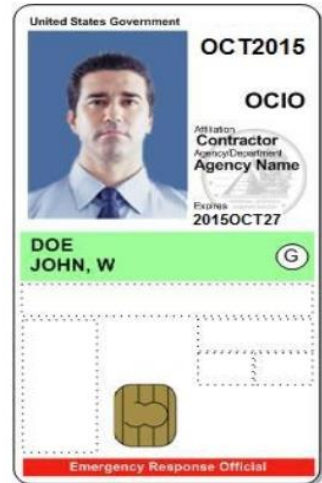
# Enhancements to IBM Multi-Factor Authentication and RACF

- **z/OS MFA Services Enhancements Available with APAR PI60774**
  - Support for PassTickets as an authentication factor
  - Support MFA Application Exclusion/Inclusion policy
    - Allow a Security Administrator to mark certain applications as excluded from MFA
      - Allows a user to logon to that application using their password, password phrase or PassTicket
  - Support for IBM TouchToken TOTP authentication factor
    - A TouchToken App for exploitation to be available in the Apple appstore soon!
- **z/OS RACF support for MFA – Available with APAR OA50016**
  - Support for selective MFA Application Exclusion
    - Additional parameters passed from RACF to MFA services during authentication processing

# Statement of Direction for MFA Additional Authentication Factors

## PIV/CAC

- A personal identity verification (*PIV*) or Common Access Card (CAC) is a United States Federal Government smart card
- Contains the necessary data for the cardholder to be granted to Federal facilities and information systems
- They are standard identification for active duty uniformed service personnel, Selected Reserve, DoD civilian employees, and eligible contractor personnel.



## zSecure Support

- Support is intended to simplify administration by helping to enforce authentication policy, providing alert notifications, and reporting on authentication audit events and compliance.





# **RACF Health Check Updates**

# New RACF Health Checks

- **APAR OA45608 for V1.12(UA74753), V1.13 (UA74754), V2.1 (UA74755) introduces these two new health checks:**
  - **RACF\_ENCRYPTION\_ALGORITHM**, which raises an exception if “weak” (less 'secure' than DES) encryption is allowed for logon passwords
    - Having no ICHDEX01 is considered an exception as the absence of ICHDEX01 allows masked passwords
  - **RACF\_PASSWORD\_CONTROLS**, which raises an exception if:
    - Mixed case passwords are not in effect or
    - The maximum number of consecutive failed logon attempts is greater than 3 or
    - A password/password phrase can be valid for more than 90 days
  
- **APAR OA44496 V1.12(UA73744), V1.13 (UA73745), V2.1 (UA73746) introduces these two new checks:**
  - **RACF\_CSFSECV\_ACTIVE**, which raises an exception if the CSFSECV class is not active
  - **RACF\_CSFKEYS\_ACTIVE**, which raises an exception if the CSFKEYS class is not active
  - ... and adds checks for the ICSF CKDS, PKDS, and TKDS data sets to the **RACF\_SENSITIVE\_RESOURCES** health check

## New RACF Health Checks...

- **APAR OA48714 for V1.13 (UA81588), V2.1 (UA81589), and V2.2 (UA81587) introduces these two new health checks:**
  - **RACF\_JESJOBS\_ACTIVE**, which raises an exception if the JESJOBS class is not active
  - **RACF\_JESSPOOL\_ACTIVE**, which raises an exception if the JESSPOOL class is not active
  - **RACF\_BATCHALLRACF**, which raises an exception if SETROPTS JES(BATCHALLRACF) is not in effect

# Signed SMF Records

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- **With z/OS V2.2, you can configure SMF to sign SMF records**
  - Idea is to make SMF a fully-trusted repository of audit data by making it much more tamper-evident
  - Available for SMF data written to the System Logger
  - Uses both CPACF symmetric algorithm for hashing to support needed data rates and CEXnC card for signatures
  - Groups of records are signed
  - Each group will have a new SMF type 2 trailer record with the signature
  - IFASMFDP support planned for verifying the signatures
  - To verify signatures:
    - Unload using IFASMF DL
    - Process the SMF data with IFASMFDP
  - The SMF type 2 record format is documented, so anyone can do signature verification

# **New DFSMSdfp Function**

# New DFSMSdfp Function: **BYPASS\_AUTH**

- **The program properties table (PPT) allows an installation to define those programs which, when executed as the job step program in the first step of a started task, bypass the calls to the external security manager when a data set is opened.**
  - Programs run in this manner will have the JSCBPASS bit in the job step control block (JSCB) set on.
  - JSCBPASS applies to all data set accesses
  - ACEEPRIV performs a similar function
- **Authorized programs can set this bit on and thus bypass data set access controls**
- **With APAR OA48124 V1.13 (UA81032), V2.1(UA81033), and V2.2 (UA81034) , DFSMSdfp is offering an alternative mechanism for authorized code to bypass the data set authorization check**
  - **A new option on the DCBE macro (BYPASS\_AUTH) that bypasses DFP's authorization check if the invoker is authorized (APF, system key, or supervisor state) at the time of the OPEN**
  - **New fields in the existing SMF 14/15 records indicate:**
    - Was BYPASS=AUTH specified (SMF14RFG1DBYP)?
    - Was JSCBPASS ON at the time of the open(SMF14RFG1JBYP)?
    - Was the caller in supervisor state, system key, APF-authorized (SMF14RFG1AUTH)?
    - Did DFP bypass the authorization call (SMF14RFG1BYP)?
- **Changing authorized applications to use this **BYPASS\_AUTH** helps implement the “principle of least privilege” for the application**

## Updated DFSMSdfp Function: Erase-on-Scratch Improvements

- **DFSMSdfp has made significant improvements in Erase-on-Scratch performance in z/OS V2.1 and z/OS V2.2.**
  - Up to 255 tracks erased in a single channel program in z/OS V2.1
  - Up to 12,240 tracks in a single channel program in z/OS V2.2
- **Frank Kyne performed erase-on-scratch testing that is documented in Cheryl Watson's "TUNING Letter - 2015 No. 1":**
  - Allocated data sets of 1, 100, 255, 25600, and 63000 tracks
  - Ran a separate job to delete each data set, varying erase-on-scratch on and off, on z/OS V1.13 and z/OS V2.1
- **Frank's results:**
  - Small reduction in elapsed time and EXCP counts for the smaller data set sizes (1, 100, 255)
  - Large reduction in elapsed time and EXCP counts for the larger data sets
    - For the 63,000 track data set, EXCPs dropped from 63,007 to 263
    - Elapsed times decrease between 1/3 and 2/3
- **Remember that z/OS V2.2 increases the upper limit on the number of tracks erased in a single CCW to 12,240 (from 255)**



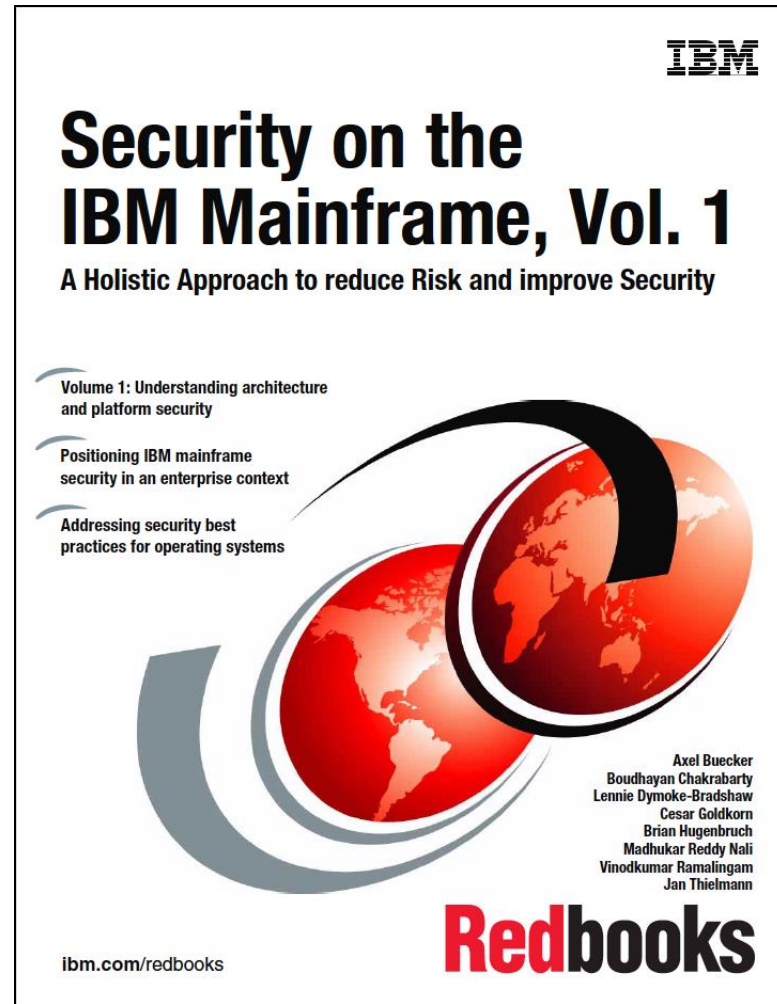
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- Your order's up! RACF client requirements satisfied in z/OS V2.2
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- Drowning in digital certificates? Here's a lifeline!
- Give credit to Crypto; It gives Crypto to Credit
- Fortify your SMF data with digital signatures

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# Helpful Publications



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- SA23-2290 - z/OS Security Server RACF Callable Services
- SA23-2292 - z/OS Security Server RACF Command Language Reference
- GA32-0885 - z/OS Security Server RACF Data Areas
- SA23-2288 - z/OS Security Server RACF Macros and Interfaces
- SA23-2291 - z/OS Security Server RACF Messages and Codes
- SA23-2289 - z/OS Security Server RACF Security Administrator's Guide
- SA23-2287 - z/OS Security Server RACF System Programmer's Guide
- SA23-2294 - z/OS Security Server RACROUTE Macro Reference
- GA32-0886 - z/OS Security Server RACF Diagnosis Guide
- SA23-2286 - z/OS Cryptographic Services PKI Services Guide and Reference
- SC14-7495 - z/OS Cryptographic Services System Secure Sockets Layer Programming
- SA23-2231 - z/OS ICSF Writing PKCS #11 Applications
- SA23-2284 - z/OS UNIX System Services: Messages and Codes
- SA23-2281 - z/OS UNIX System Services Programming: Assembler Callable Services Reference
- SC27-3651 - z/OS Communication Server: IP Configuration Guide
- GC27-2652 - z/OS Communication Server: IP Diagnosis Guide
- SC27-3661 - z/OS Communication Server: IP System Administrator's Commands
- SA23-6843 - IBM Health Checker for z/OS User's Guide

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