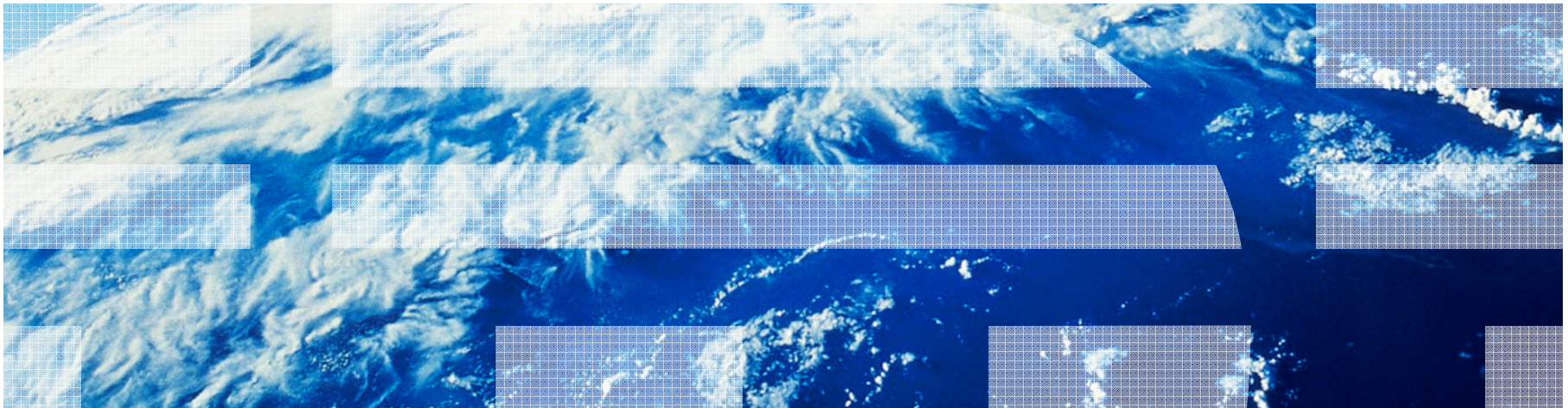


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Agenda

- Security-Relevant Updates to Current z/VM Releases
- RACF Updates for z/VM 6.2
- RACF Updates for Single System Image clustering (SSI) in z/VM 6.2

***Security-Relevant Updates
to z/VM***

z/VM Security Certification Discussion

- IBM Statement of Direction: Common Criteria Evaluation of z/VM 6.1
 - Statement issued on 22 July 2010
 - **Pre-certification ID:** BSI-DSZ-CC-0752
 - Goal: OSPP-LS at EAL 4+

- Federal Information Protection Standards (FIPS)
 - z/VM 6.1 + PM43382 is evaluated for FIPS 197 (AES)
 - <http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/STM/cavp/documents/aes/aesval.html#1873>
 - Designed to conform to FIPS 140-2

- Help us understand your certification needs
 - Comments now, or contact offline

FIPS 140-2 Support for z/VM 6.1

- PM08418: Upgrade System SSL to z/OS R11
- VM64805: Add needed functions to LE
- VM64751: Upgrade Binder to z/OS R11
- PM10616: System SSL enablement of FIPS
- PM43382: System SSL Self-Defense

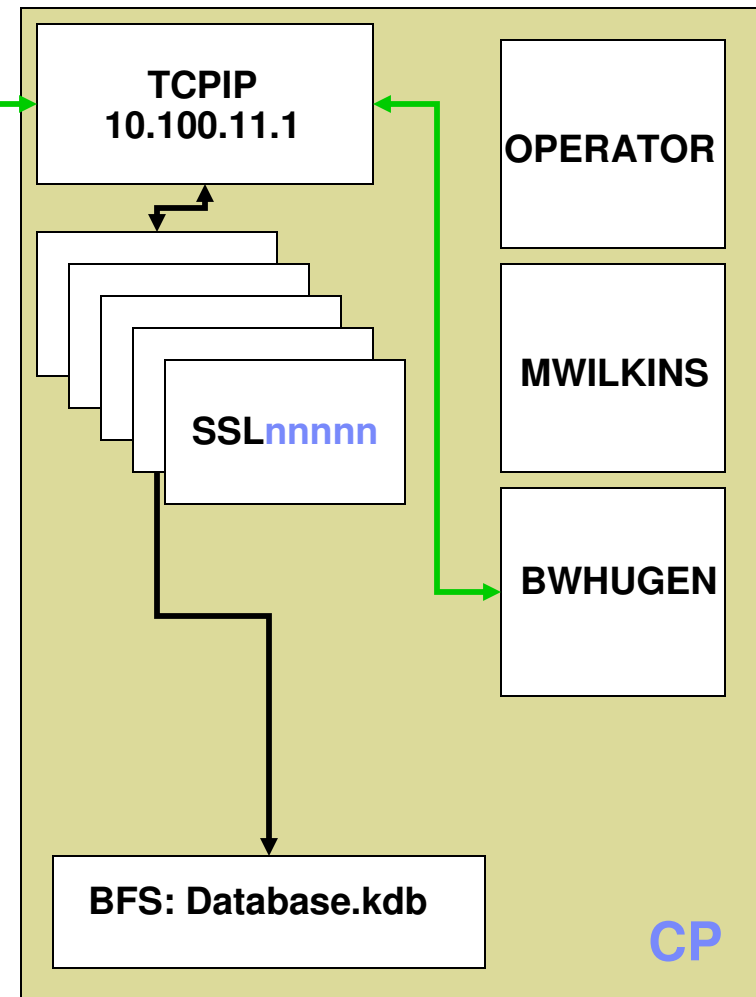
- Enablement of support: z/VM 6.1 can be configured to comply to Federal Information Protection Standard (FIPS) 140-2
 - Requisite cipher suites assure a level of cryptographic strength
 - Creation and validation of certificate database assures trust
 - Official evaluation in progress
- Changes to TCPIP, System SSL, the Binder, and the SSL Server are available for z/VM 6.1
- These changes are bundled in z/VM 6.2

SSL Server Reliability and Scalability

- PK97437: SSLADMIN, TCPRUN and Related Packaging Changes
- PK97438: SSLSERV Module Updates
- PK75662: TCPIP Module Updates



- Multiple SSL servers with 'resume' cache manager and shared database
 - Can balance total number of sessions against number of sessions per server
- Significant performance improvements
 - Interactive workloads such as telnet
 - Session establishment costs, particularly during mass 'reconnect'
- Migration required
- <http://www.vm.ibm.com/related/tcpip/tcsslspe.html>
- **These changes are bundled into z/VM 6.2**



z/VM SSL Client Certificate Support

- PM52716: Enable Client Certificate Authentication in z/VM SSL

- Expansion of SSL/TLS handshaking processes to include checking for a client-presented certificate
 - Dynamic TN3270 Support only
 - Certificate presented by client must match against data in the z/VM certificate database
 - New INTERNALCLIENTPARMS parameter: CLIENTCERTCHECK

- APAR available for z/VM 6.1 and z/VM 6.2

LDAP Support Updates

▪ Upgrade to z/OS 1.11 ITDS in z/VM 6.1

- Support for password change logging
 - z/OS uses RACF certificate services
 - z/VM uses System SSL services
- Password phrases can now be used in an ldap bind

▪ Upgrade to z/OS 1.12 ITDS in z/VM 6.2

- RACF resource change-logging through LDAP
 - user, group, and general resource profiles
 - an open, remote method of change notification using only LDAP interfaces
 - an LDAP client can read the LDAP change log, detect updates to RACF users, groups, group membership, and general resources, and then retrieve RACF entries.
 - LDAP server must be configured to enable the SDBM backend.
- Expanded password management
 - Expiry warnings
 - Interactively set new passwords

Crypto Support Updates

- **APAR VM64656: z/VM support for Crypto Express3 cards**
 - On the z10: z/VM 5.3, z/VM 5.4 and z/VM 6.1
 - On the z196: z/VM 5.4 and z/VM 6.1
 - Accelerator mode (CEX3A) and Coprocessor mode (CEX3C)

- **APAR VM64793: Protected Key CPACF for z/VM 5.4 and z/VM 6.1**
 - On both z10 and z196
 - Protection of key material when using CPACF, instead of Clear Key operations
 - Key does not exist outside of physical hardware
 - Not to be confused with Secure Key (for the Crypto Express cards)
 - Designed to increase throughput

- **z/VM 6.2:**
 - QUERY CRYPTO output changes

***Security-Relevant Updates
in RACF for z/VM 6.2***

RACF Updates for z/VM 6.2

General Updates:

- High Level Assembler no longer required for most common customizations
- ALTER (MW) access for VMMDISK no longer conveys the ability to change the access list for the minidisk
- DBUnload requirement for T-Disk removed
 - Can use existing minidisk instead

RACF Updates for z/VM 6.2

▪ User Attribute: **PROTECTED**

- Shields user access from being revoked due to
 - Logon failures
 - Inactivity or unsuccessful access attempts
 - Any method that uses a supplied password (logon, FTP ...)

- AUTOONLY service machines are a good candidate for this attribute

- Specify “NOPASSWORD” and “NOPHRASE” on ADDUSER or ALTUSER:
 - `ALTUSER TCPIP10 NOPASSWORD NOPHRASE`

- Any machine without a password or passphrase is Protected by default:
 - `ADDUSER BWHUGEN`

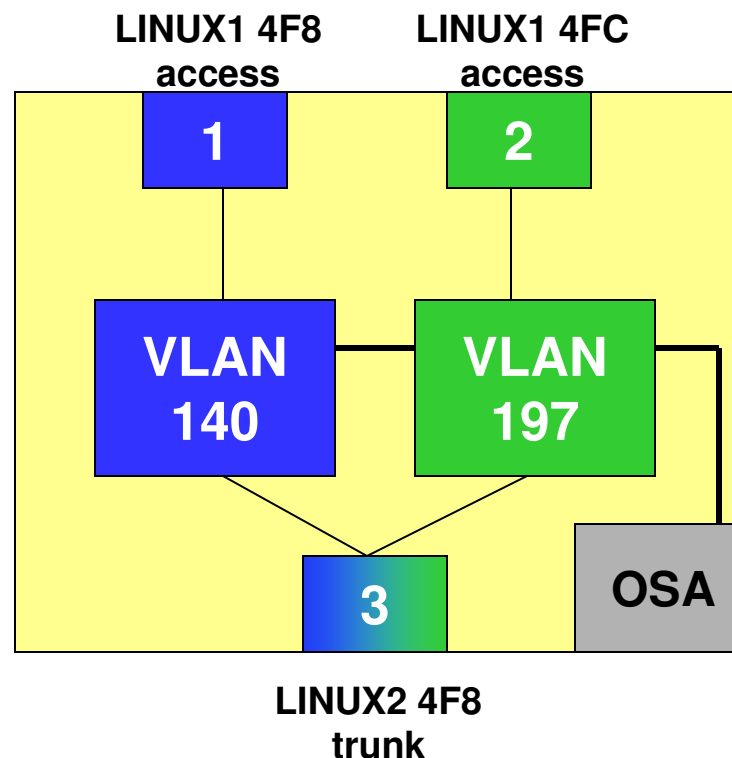
- To remove the Protected attribute from a user, add a password or passphrase:
 - `ALTUSER BWHUGEN PHRASE('a_really!good_passw0rdp#r9$e,yo')`

- Protected users can still be revoked through REVOKE

RACF Updates for z/VM 6.2

▪ Multiple Access Ports per Guest

- Can now enable a guest with multiple unique access ports to the same VSWITCH
- Associates NICs and VSWITCH ports (Switch not available on NICDEF)
- Ports are associated with VLANs
- Requires explicit CP enablement
 - CP SET VSWITCH PORTNUMBER
 - CP SET VSWITCH VLANID



▪ RACF Enablement is business-as-usual, authorizing by VLAN IDs instead of port numbers:

- ```

- RDEFINE VMLAN SYSTEM.SWITCH05 UACC(NONE)
- PERMIT SYSTEM.SWITCH05 CLASS(VMLAN) ID(LINUX1 LINUX2) ACCESS(UPDATE)
- RDEFINE VMLAN SYSTEM.SWITCH05.0140 UACC(NONE)
- PERMIT SYSTEM.SWITCH05.0140 CLASS(VMLAN) ID(LINUX1 LINUX2) ACCESS(UPDATE)
- RDEFINE VMLAN SYSTEM.SWITCH05.0197 UACC(NONE)
- PERMIT SYSTEM.SWITCH05.0197 CLASS(VMLAN) ID(LINUX1 LINUX2) ACCESS(UPDATE)
- ...

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## RACF Updates for z/VM 6.2

### ▪ **Protecting Real Devices**

- Authorization checking based on the **VMDEV** class
  - Usual access levels (NONE READ UPDATE CONTROL) apply
- Triggers when Connecting a real device to a virtual machine for exclusive use, or connecting a tape device to a virtual machine for shared use
  - DEDICATE statements in the User Directory
  - ATTACH command
  - GIVE command

### ▪ **Define RDEV.(rdevno).sysname to VMDEV**

- PERMIT RDEV.0456.\* CLASS (VMDEV) ID (BWHUGEN) ACCESS (UPDATE)
- SETROPTS CLASSACT (VMDEV)

### ▪ **Enable an appropriate event:**

- RALTER VMXEVENT EVENTS1 ADDMEM (RDEVCTRL/NOCTL)
- SETEVENT REFRESH EVENTS1

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## RACF Updates for z/VM 6.2

### **RPIDIRECT updates:**

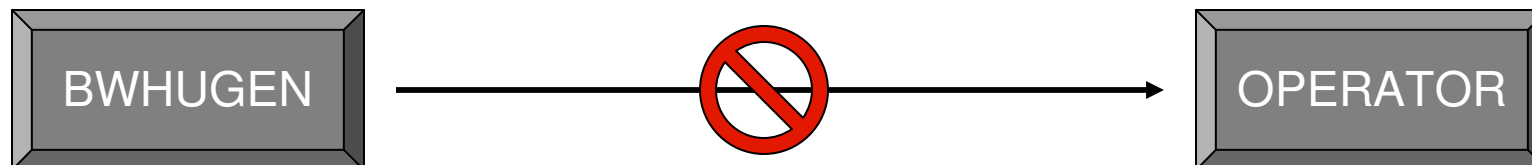
- Create VMLAN profiles from NICDEF statements
  - *Doesn't cover Multiple Access Ports (no NICDEF support)*
- Create VMDEV profiles from DEDICATE statements
- Recognize IDENTITY and SUBCONFIG definitions
- Passwords AUTOONLY, LBYONLY, and NOPASS cause user to be Protected
- Password NOLOG causes user to be revoked unless required for POSIX
  - POSIX users will be Protected



## RACF Updates for z/VM 6.2

- **Enablement and Control of SECUSER and OBSERVER when Mandatory Access Controls (SECLABELs) are active**
  - CONSOLE OBSERVER (read-only)
  - SET OBSERVER (read-only)
  - CONSOLE SECUSER (read-write)
  - SET SECUSER (read-write)
  - CP SEND.G (read-write)
  - CP SEND.C (write-only)
  
- SECLABEL rules for read- and write-access apply:
  - “No read up, no write down.”

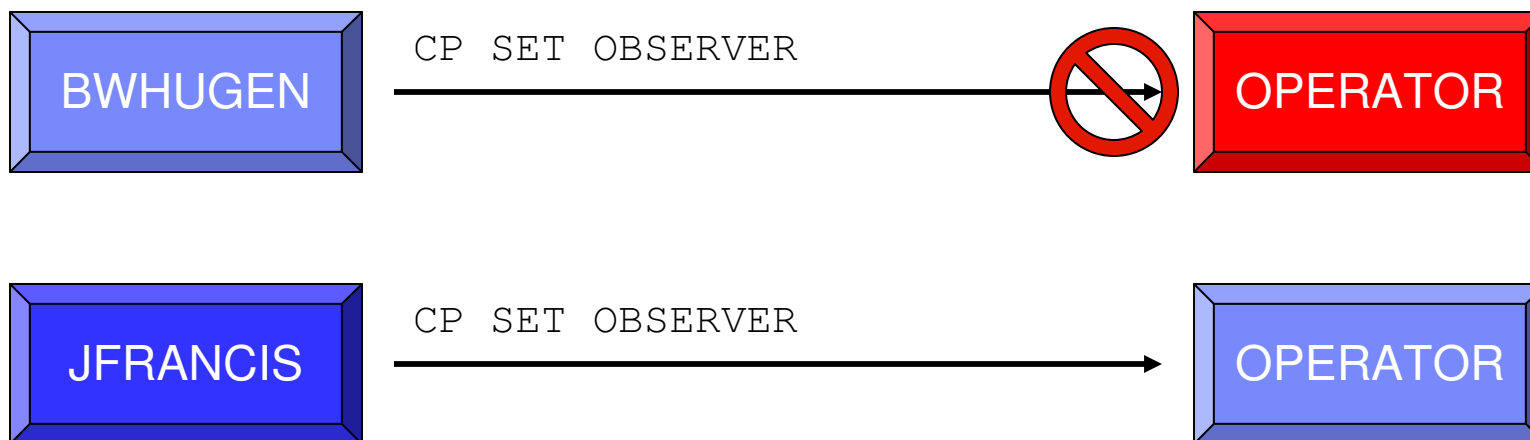
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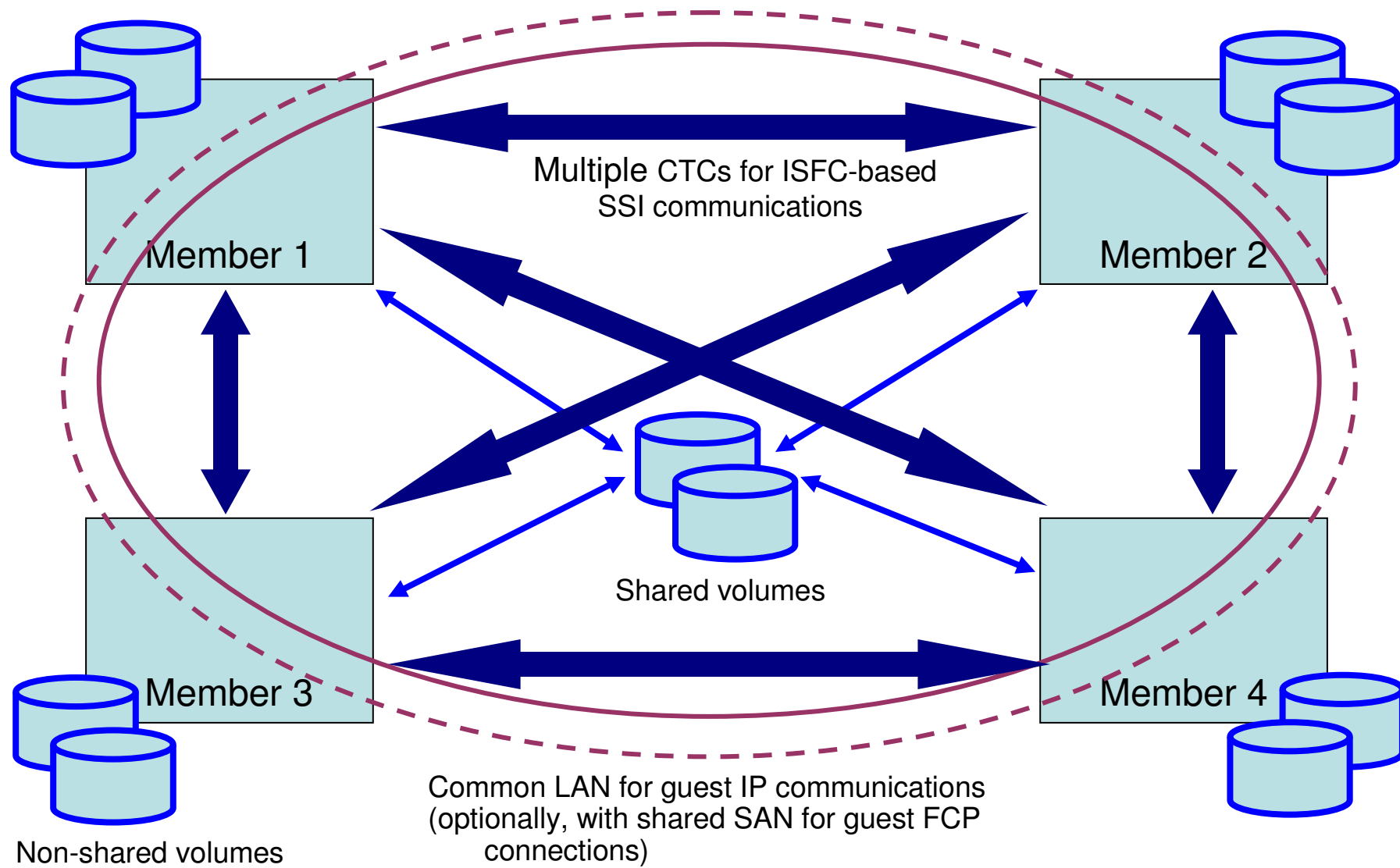


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***RACF In A  
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# z/VM SSI Cluster

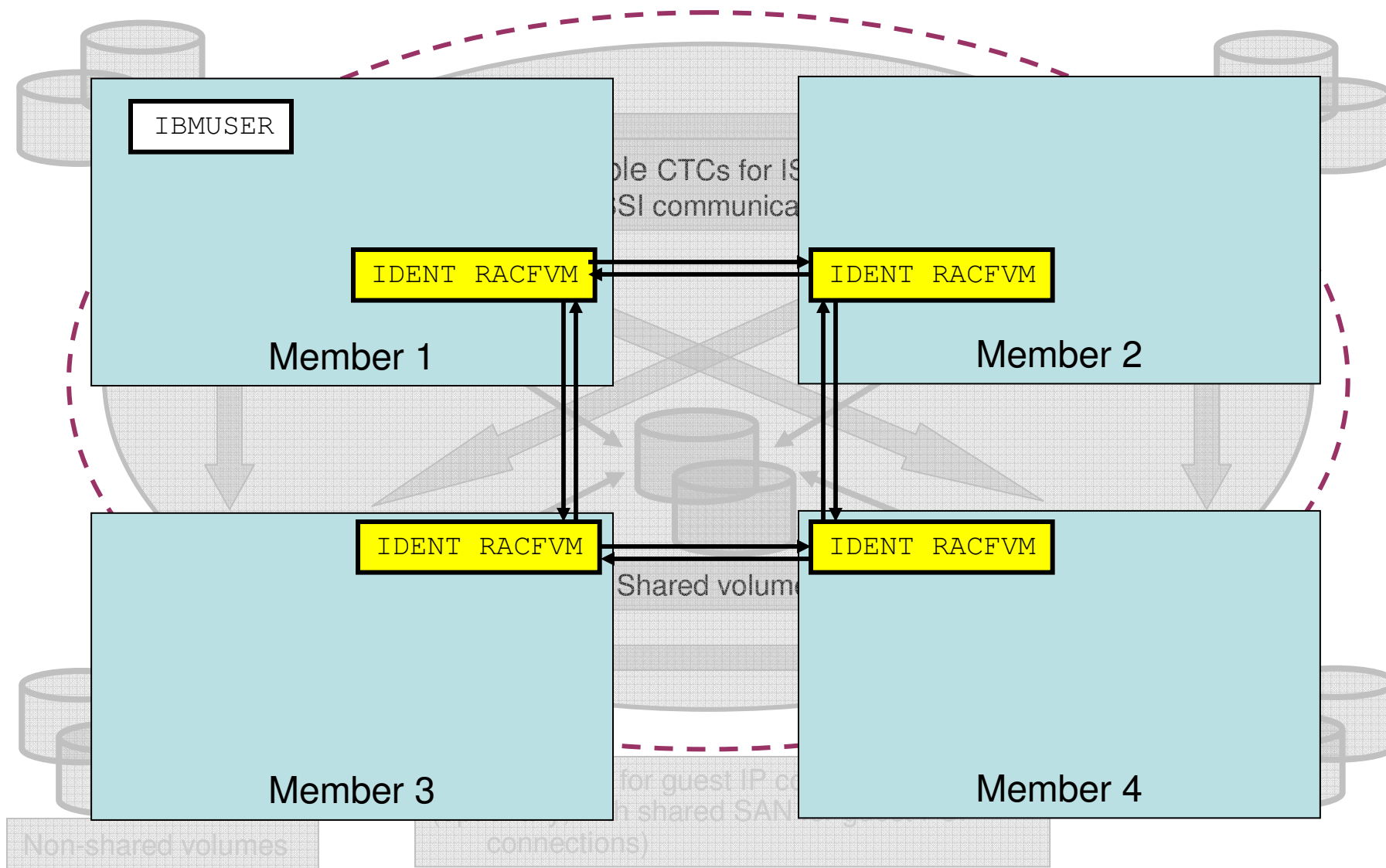


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## RACF in a Single System Image Cluster

- When installed in an SSI, RACF creates *a single security context* for the cluster
  - Shared database and definitions
  - Handshaking of RACFVM instances
  - Cluster-aware auditing
  
- RACF for SSI is for the entire cluster, it's not something you can enable one step at a time.
  
- RPIDIRCT has been updated to handle both single-configuration and multi-configuration virtual machines
  
- The virtual machines have been modified to operate both in and out of an SSI ...

# RACF Virtual Machines in an SSI cluster



## RACF Virtual Machines in an SSI cluster

### Handshaking and Command Propagation

- Each RACF server in the SSI must provide the same consistent security context.
- Commands that create broader changes need to be propagated across the cluster
  - SETROPTS
  - RVARY
  - SETEVENT
- RACF will suppress “extra” messages and marshal output when executing “remotely.”
- Locking done to ensure RVARY submissions are handled sequentially
- RACF command sessions don't support command propagation so in an SSI the commands SETROPTS, RVARY, and SETEVENT will be rejected with message:
  - RPITMP0021E 'command-name' RACF COMMAND MUST BE ISSUED WITH RAC  
IN A SSI
- RAC command, ISPF panels, and R\_Admin API (used by LDAP) are interfaces which support command propagation



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## RACF Virtual Machines in an SSI cluster

### Handshaking and Command propagation

- The propagated commands output from each RACF server on each system is bracketed by the lines:
  - OUTPUT FROM <racfname> ON SYSTEM <ssinode>
  - END OF OUTPUT
  
- SETROPTS and RVARY commands will be propagated in non-SSI multi-server environments.

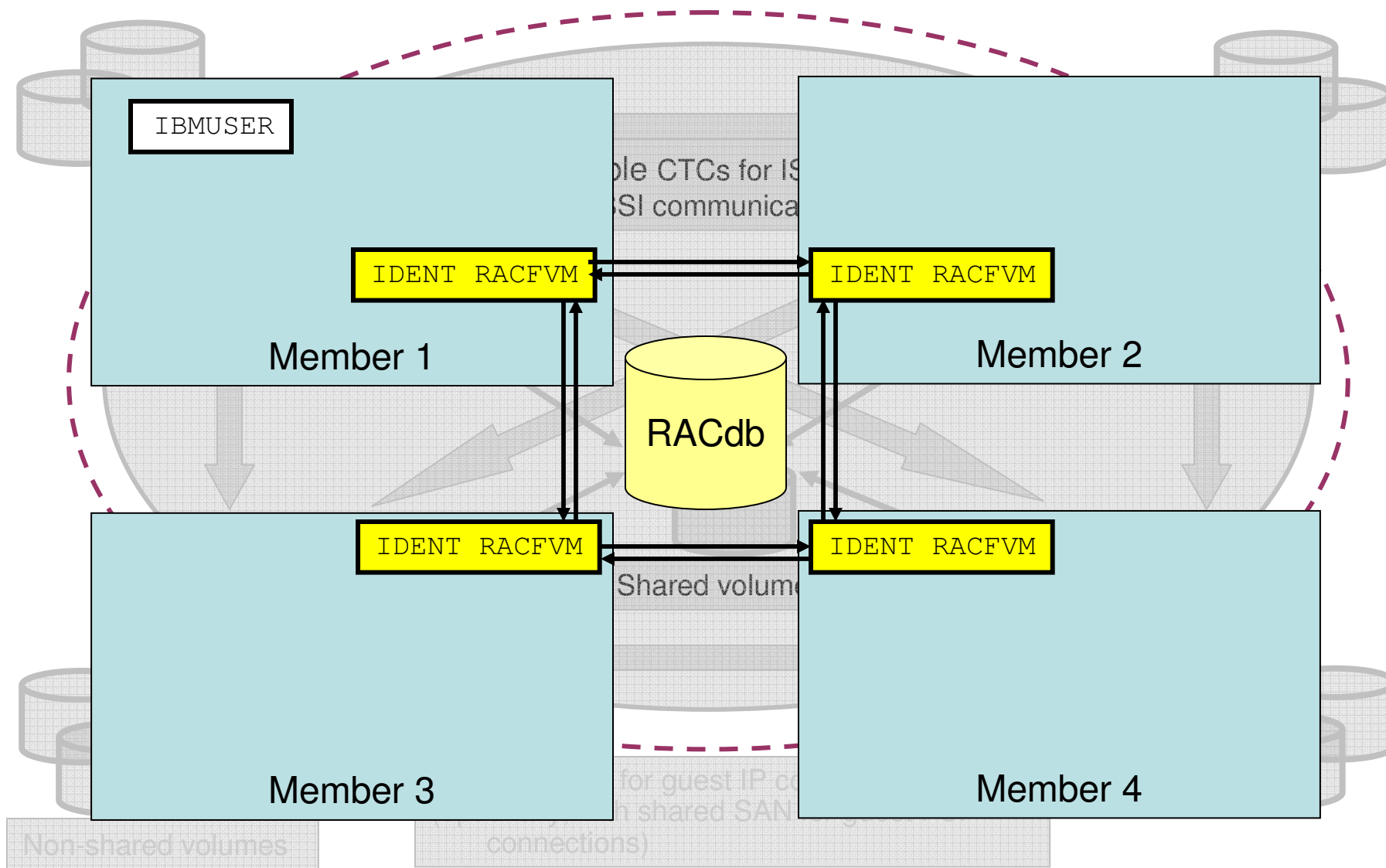
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## RACF Virtual Machines in an SSI cluster

### Propagation of MAC cache purge

- Purge initiated by specific operands instead of **any** SETROPTS command:
  - RACLIST REFRESH of SECLABEL class
  - Activating or inactivating VMMAC class
  - LOGOPTIONS auditing of VMMAC class
  - Any MLS change
  - MLQUIET
  - MLACTIVE(WARNING)
  - SECLABELAUDIT

# The RACF Database in an SSI



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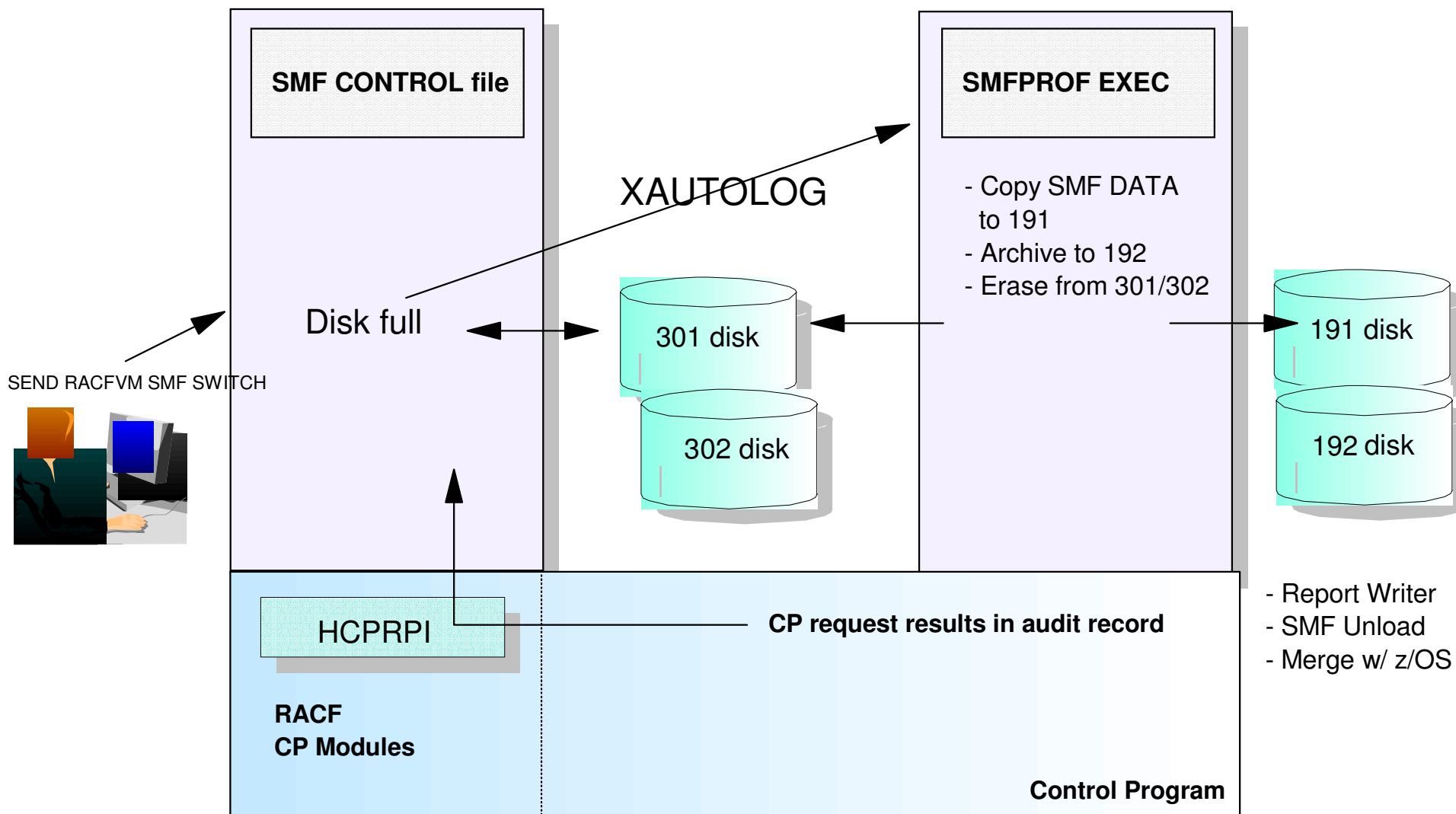
## The RACF Database in an SSI

- All RACF servers in SSI must **share** the same RACF database
  - Databases are shareable today
  - Maintain a single security context; no confusion in security policy
  
- RACF database in SSI must be fullpack minidisk, must support reserve/release and can't be an FBA device
  - Full-pack 3390s for both the primary (200) and backup (300)
  - RDEVICE statements for each in the System Configuration file
  - Minidisk caching is automatically turned off
  
- Database synchronization
  - When a member joins, CP+RACF will ensure that the joining server has identical database datasets to those being used and active in the SSI
  - Automatic propagation of RVARY commands

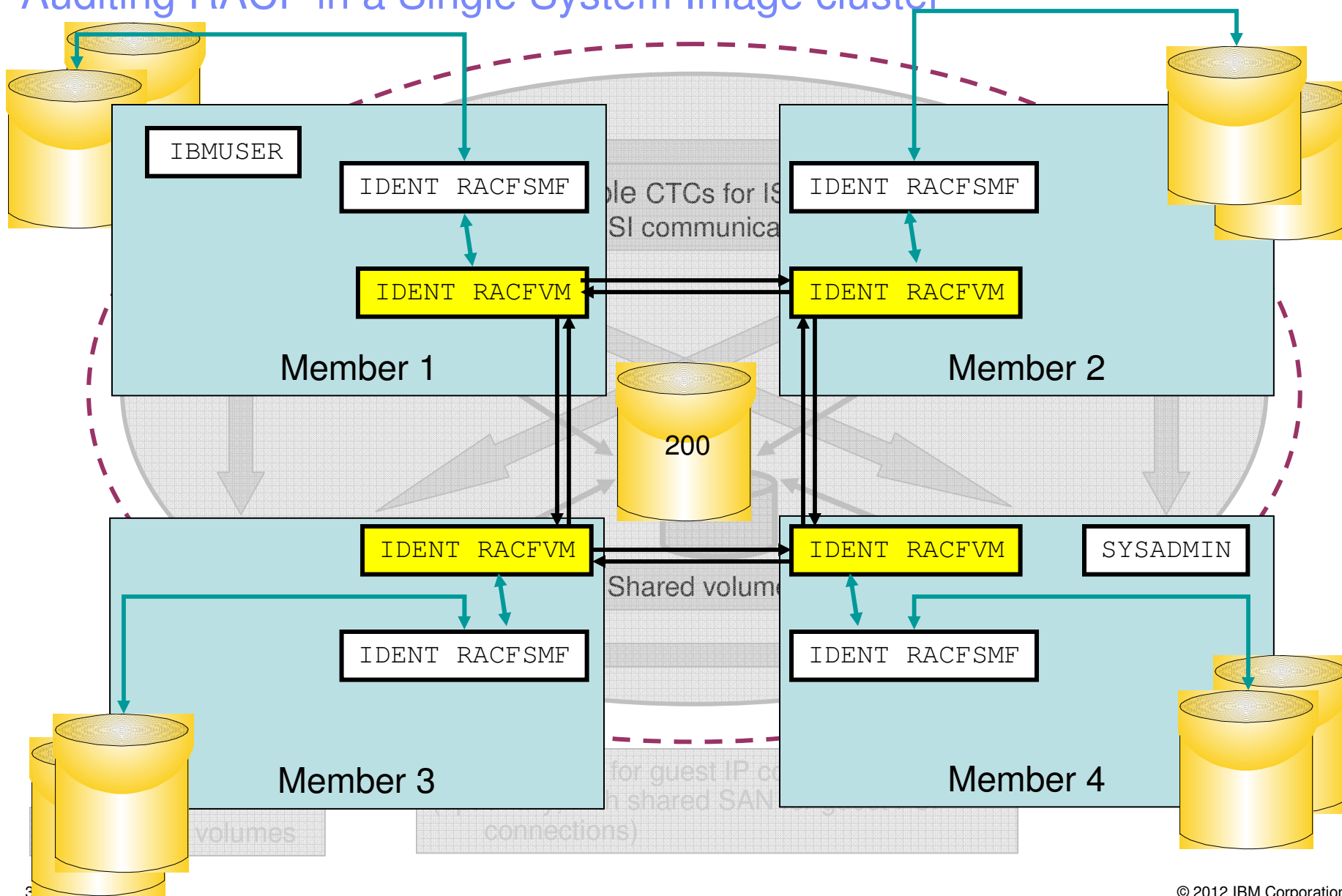
# Auditing RACF in a Single System Image cluster

RACFVM Service Machine

RACFSMF Service Machine



# Auditing RACF in a Single System Image cluster



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## Auditing RACF in a Single System Image cluster

- RACFVM is a multiconfiguration virtual machine
  - Shared RACF database
  - All other disks are local – including 301 and 302 for auditing
  - Separate SMF CONTROL files operating against a single security context
  
- RACFSMF is also multiconfiguration virtual machine
  - Separate 191 and 192 disks
  - Separate SMFPROF EXEC files
  
- Auditing automation should account for this disparity to gather all pertinent audit records

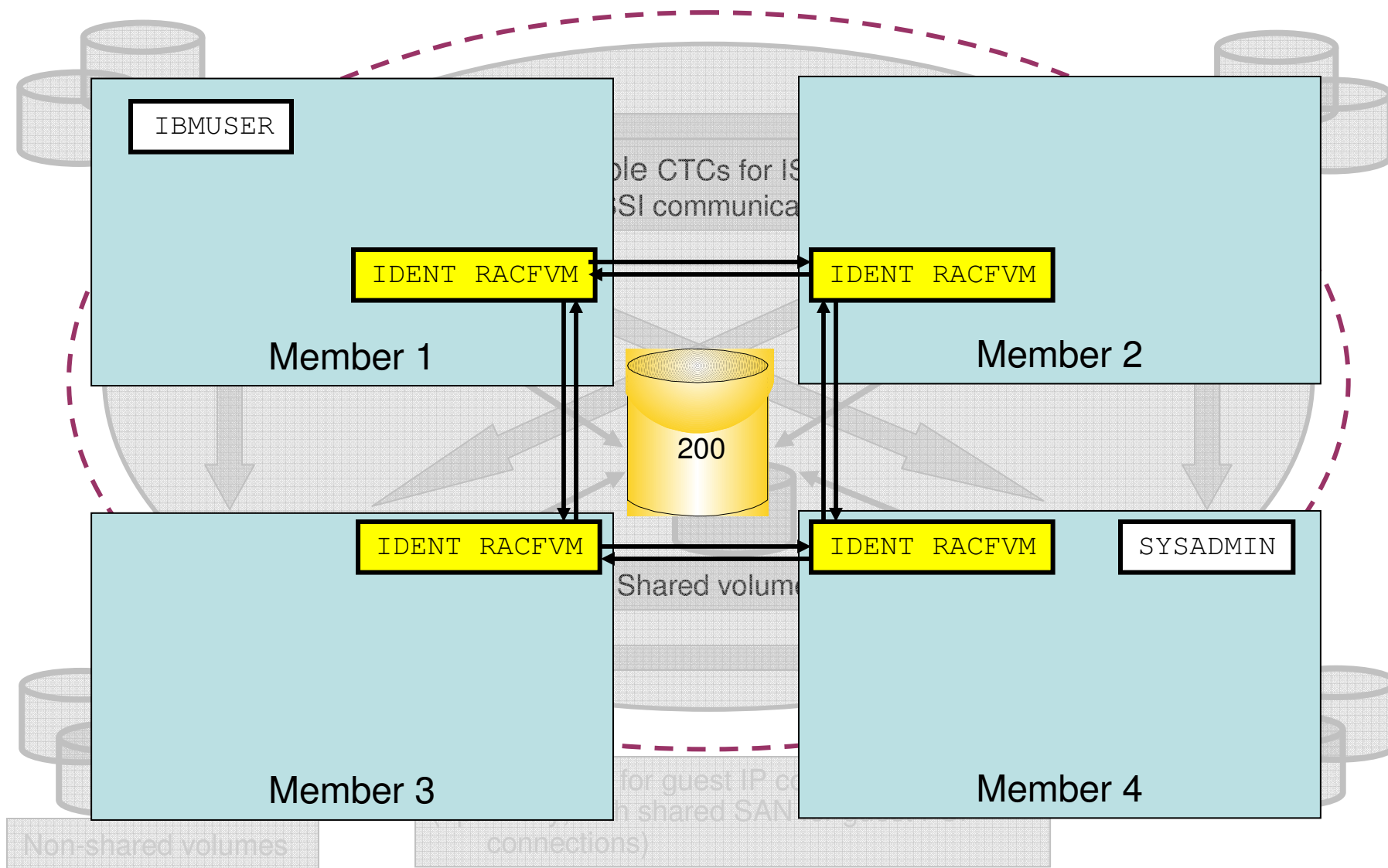
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## Auditing RACF in a Single System Image cluster

- In the case of some commands – the AT command in particular – auditing records will appear on the destination system
    - AT\_LOGON
    - AT\_FROM
    - AT\_LOGOFF
  
  - Auditing distinguishes between local and remote nodes in a cluster, even when sharing the same security context
    - Controlled commands are the same
    - Auditing requisites are the same
    - Events are the same
- .... But the systems are distinct, from the point of view of a virtual machine “in the know”



# RACF and Live Guest Relocation



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## RACF and Live Guest Relocation

### Live Guest Relocation

- VMRELOCATE MOVE USER *userid* TO *sysid*
  - Class B command
  
- RACF cleans up a user's presence on the source system, and prepares for the target system for the relocate-logon of the user
  
- Generate LOGOFF/LOGON auditing events on source/target system, to note the transition
  
- RACF perspective of relocate events:
  - User data is created for *userid* on *sysid* with all the above
  - User resources are allocated on *sysid*
  - Associated authorization calls are approved without a RACF check
  - Relocate-logon is requested for *userid* on *sysid* when the inbound relocation is complete

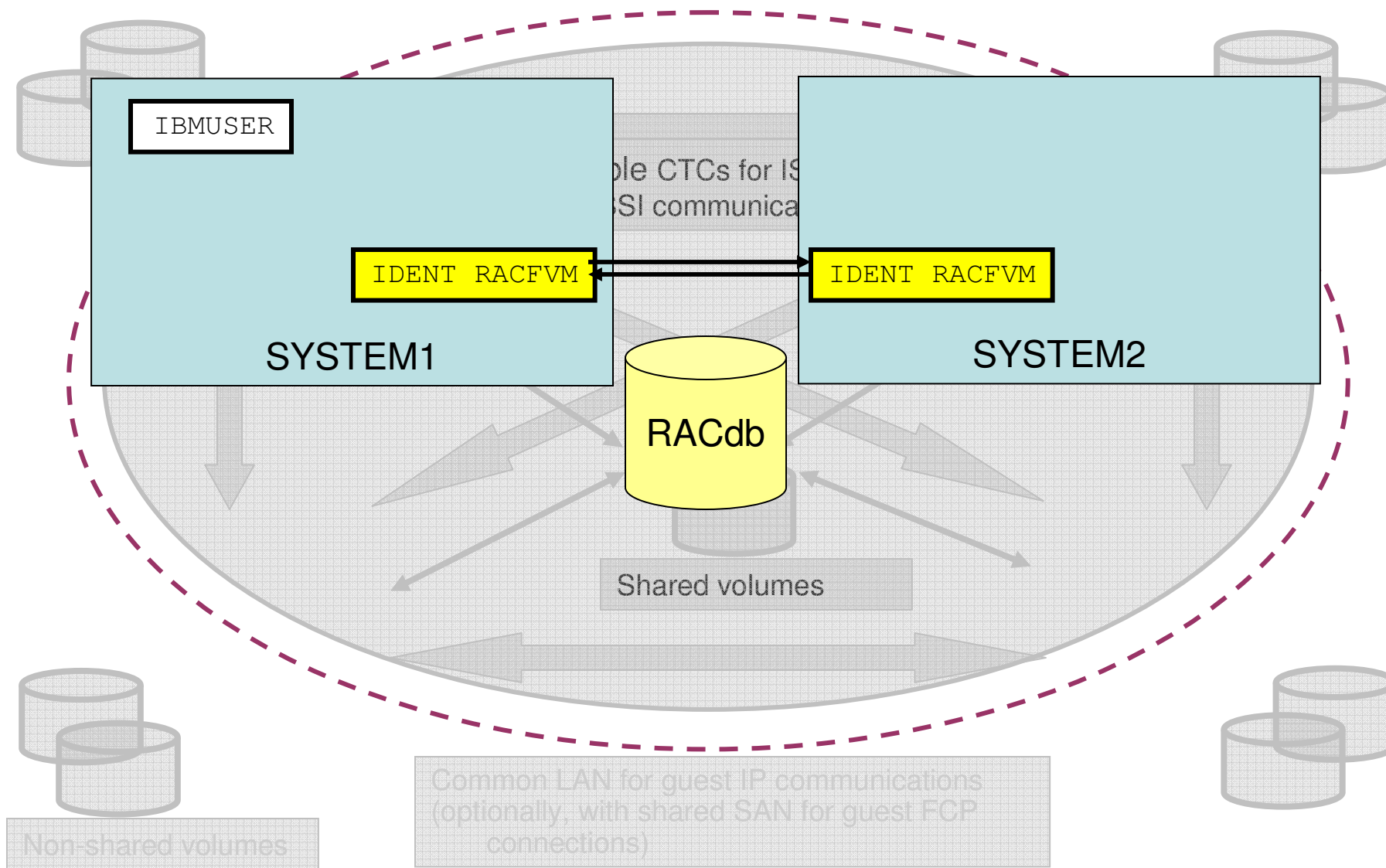
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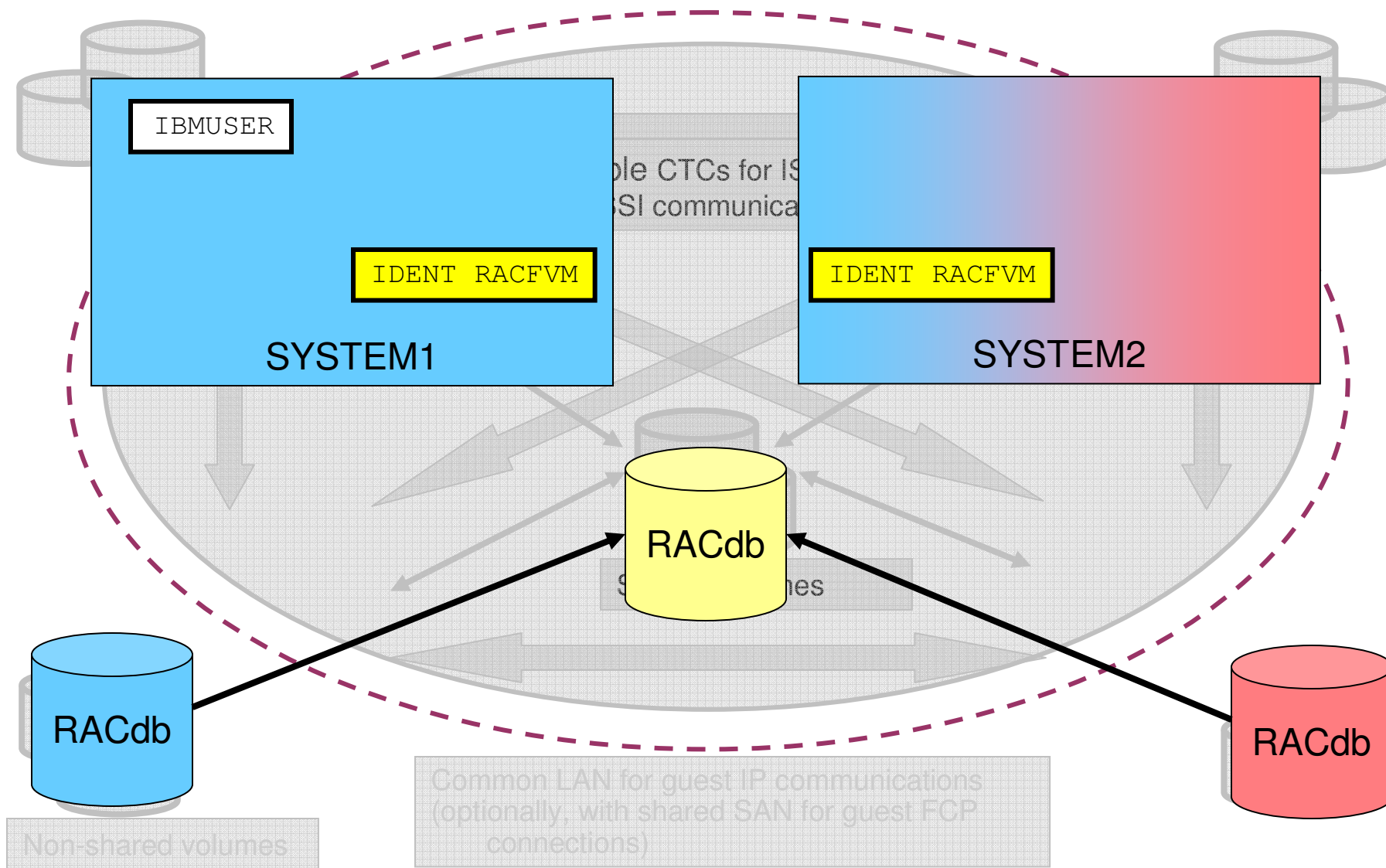
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  - **You will need to merge the databases**
  - You may want to consider which of your 2+ systems has the most complex security context before choosing which one is the "master" system
  - After one system is enabled, make directory and RACF database updates for the secondary system

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## Summary

- Certification work continues
- Improvements continue to enhance base z/VM security
- RACF has been adapted to handle the Single System Image clustering technology
- z/VM continues to secure the road to Smarter Computing



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