



z/TPFDF Encryption

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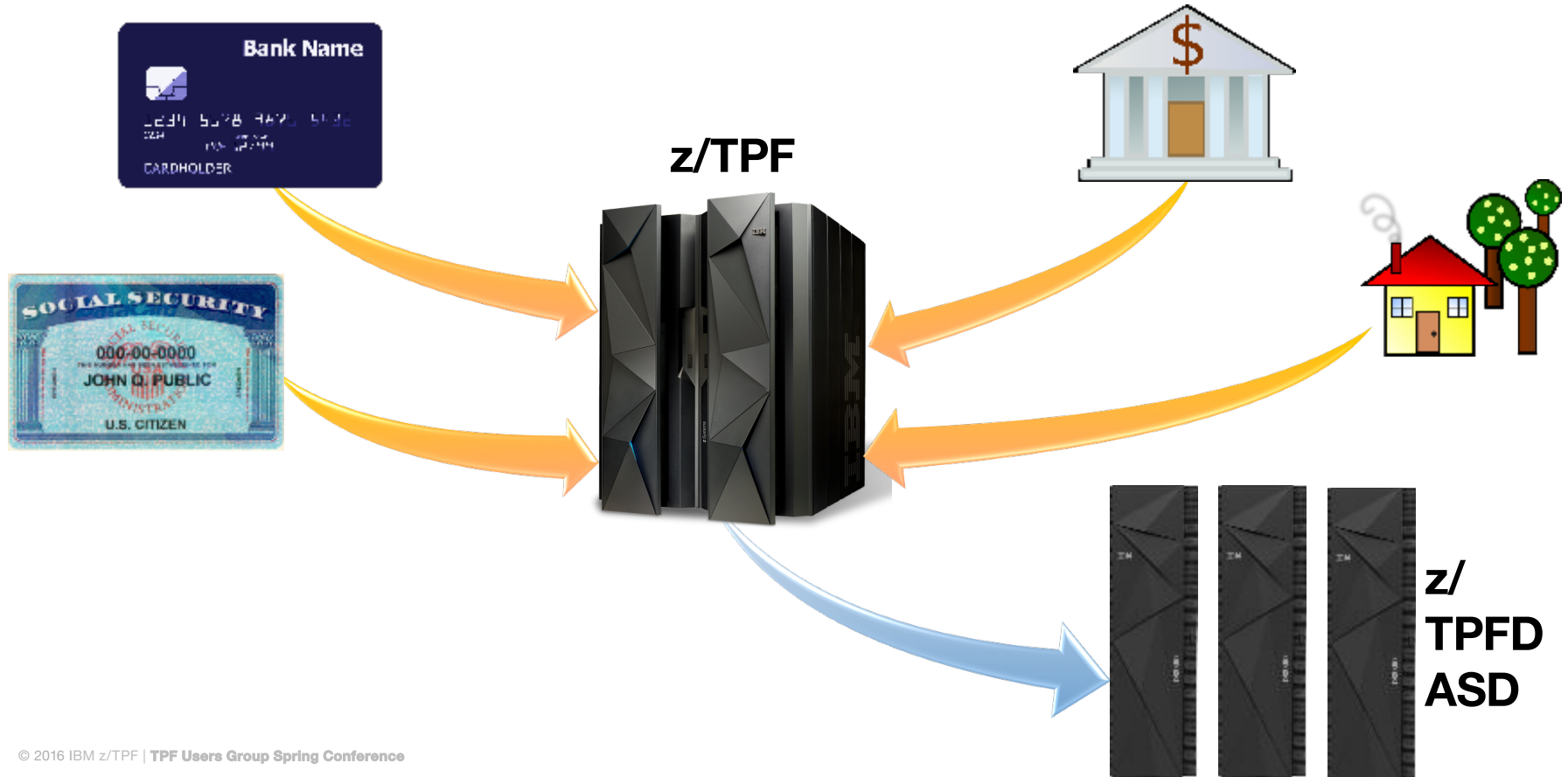
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Sensitive Information in your Systems



Why secure your data?

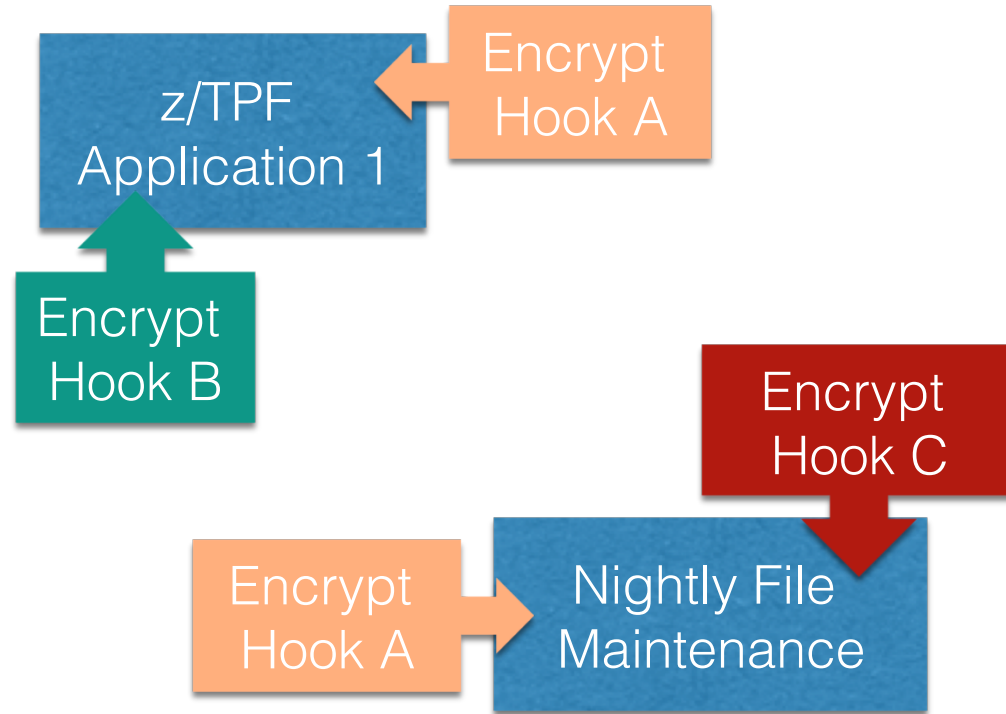


- Regulatory requirements
- Corporate security requirements
- Limit financial and non-financial risks from security breaches

As-Is: Securing Sensitive Information

Option 1: Update Applications

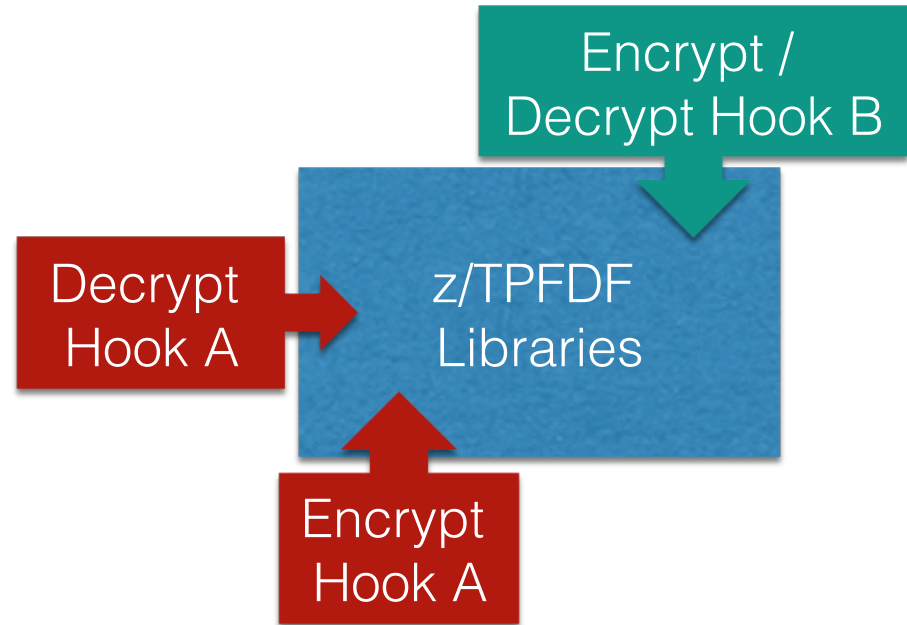
- Potentially large number of updates - Must update all applications that access encrypted data
- May require unique hooks for each database
- Ongoing maintenance costs as applications and databases are modified



As-Is: Securing Sensitive Information

Option 2: Update IBM Product Code

- Multiple user modifications in IBM code
- Changes must be refit as IBM maintenance is applied
- May not satisfy corporate audit requirements not allowing internally developed solutions





To Be: Protecting Sensitive Information in z/TPFDF Files

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- z/TPFDF data is encrypted when “at-rest”
 - On DASD, in VFA, or in Logical Record Cache (LRC)
- z/TPFDF data is in the clear when used by...
 - Applications through z/TPFDF APIs
 - Operations through z/TPFDF commands
 - Developers through the z/TPFDF interfaces and the z/TPF debugger

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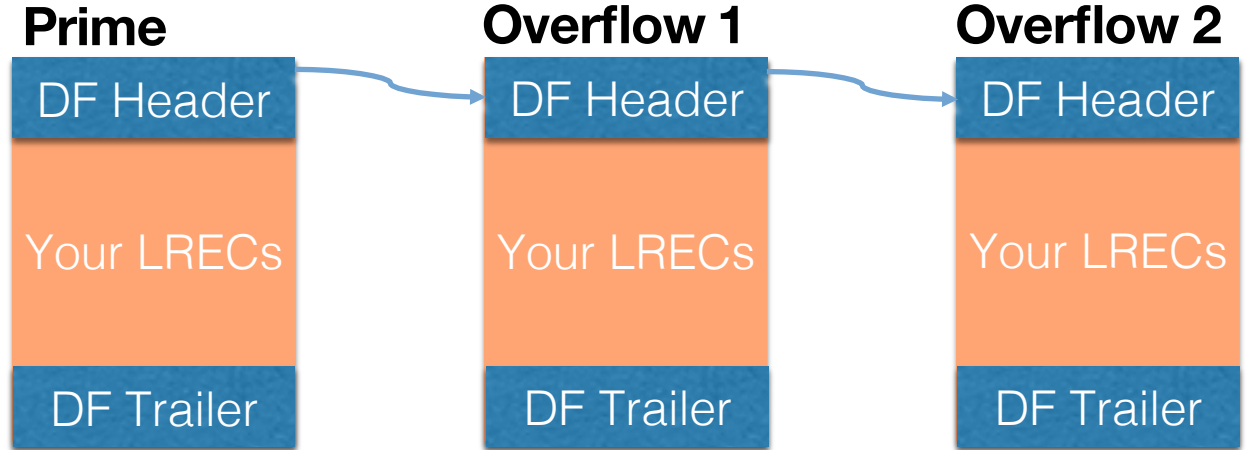
- Encrypt data using AES encryption algorithms in Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode
 - AES-128 CBC
 - AES-256 CBC
- Identify accidental and malicious data corruption using data integrity verification
 - Verify data using SHA-256 message digest
 - None (no verification)
- Data is protected by only allowing access through z/TPFDF interfaces
 - z/TPF interfaces (ZDFIL, FIND/FILE APIs) will only see encrypted data

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- All z/TPFDF interfaces will automatically encrypt and decrypt z/TPFDF files
 - z/TPFDF programming APIs
 - z/TPFDF commands: ZUDFM and ZFCRU
 - z/TPFDF Recoup
- z/TPFDF encryption is managed through commands and is transparent to applications

As-Is: What is Encrypted?

Without encryption,
all z/TPFDF data is
in the clear



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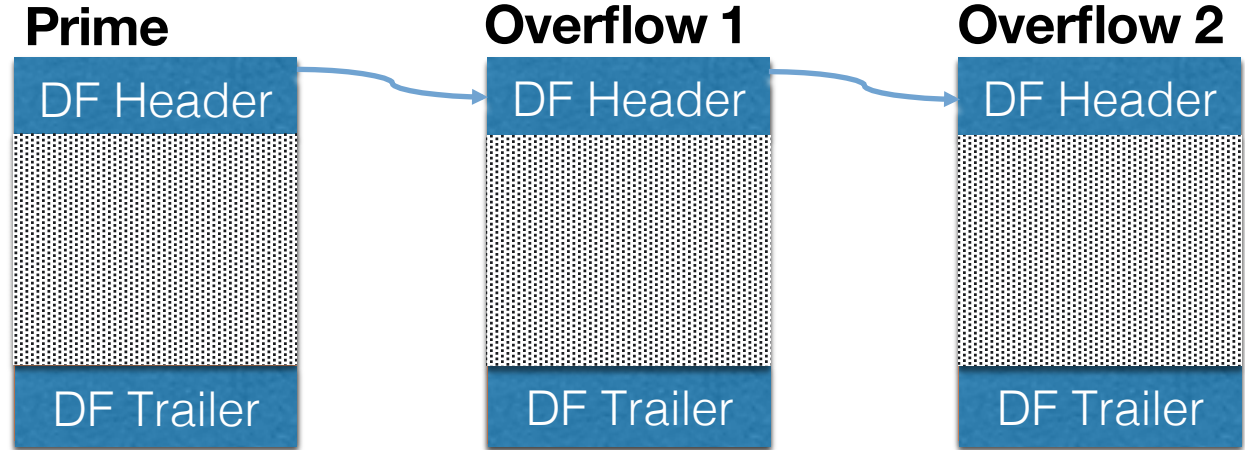
With Encryption:

Encrypted

- Standard data areas (LRECs)
- First block of LLR (MLL)

Not Encrypted

- z/TPFDF standard headers and trailers



Types of z/TPFDF Files Supported

Any z/TPFDF R-type file may be encrypted, except those with the following characteristics

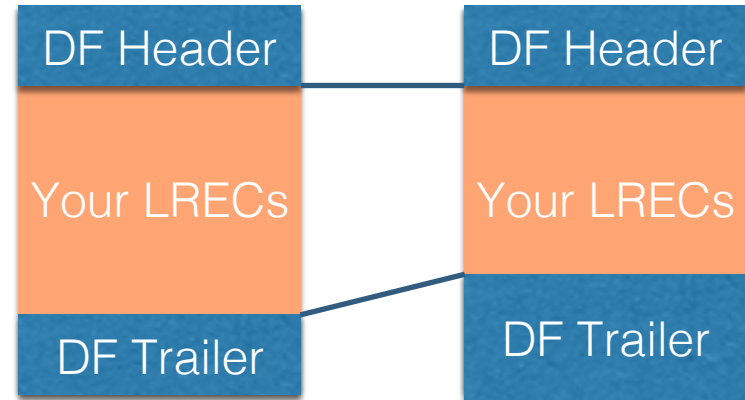
- B+Tree node file
 - NODE=YES is coded on DBDEF
- Uses algorithm #TPFBD0D
- Trailer is not used or contains user data
 - TRS \geq 0 is coded on DBDEF

**Encrypt existing z/
TPFDF files in a few
simple steps**



Update DBDEF

- New parameter on DBDEF to allow encryption
- New subfiles only: Adds encryption controls to trailer in each block
- Reduces maximum size of a single LREC by ~88 bytes

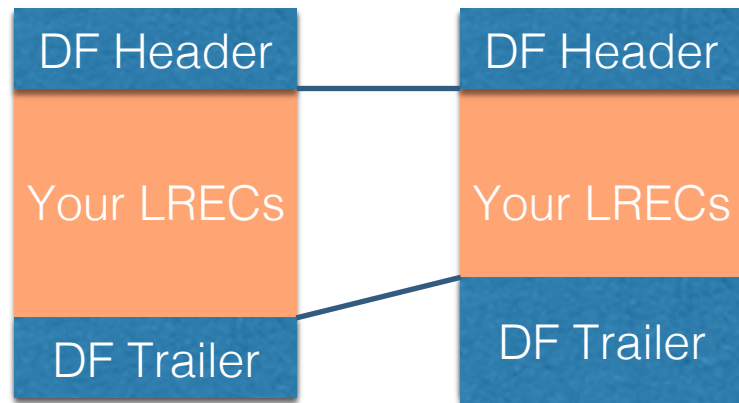


Data is in the clear



Migrate to new trailer format

- Use CRUISE to expand trailer in all subfiles
 - Requires PACK function with new migrate option
 - If LREC exceeds max LREC size:
 - Warn and do not migrate
 - Convert LREC to LLR



Data is in the clear



Define Encryption Keys

- Use z/TPF Symmetric Keystore support to define encryption keys and key names
 - Generate keys using the ZKEYS command
 - Import keys from external keystore

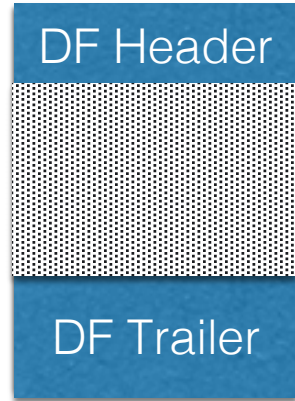


z/TPF Keystore



Enable z/TPFDF Encryption

- For each z/TPFDF file, use new ZUDFM ENCRYPT command
 - Define encryption key name
 - Define data integrity verification option
 - Enable encryption
- Individual blocks are encrypted and verified as they are filed by applications

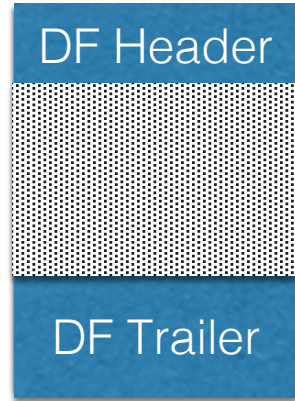


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Encrypt all blocks

- Use CRUISE with PACK function
 - Pack process will encrypt and file all blocks across selected subfiles
 - Use to make sure all blocks across all subfiles are encrypted
 - No downtime required!



Data is encrypted

Potential Future Items



- Encryption of complete LLR
 - Current plan is to only encrypt the Master Large LREC (MLL) block of an LLR
- Node files in a B+Tree
- Clear core blocks before release (RELCC)

z/TPFDF Encryption Summary



- Encrypt data-at-rest in z/TPFDF files
- Encrypt without requiring application changes
- Encrypt without any downtime

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