Security in z/VM 6.4:
News and How-To's (2017 Edition)

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The increasingly desirable target of the mainframe

80% of all active code runs on the mainframe

80% of enterprise data is housed on the mainframe

Today’s technologies are eliminating “mainframe isolation”

Source: 2013 IBM zEnterprise Technology Summit
Example* risks to sensitive data in virtual environments
*(PCI DSS v3.1 Supplement - Virtualization Guidance v2.1)*

1. Vulnerabilities in the Physical Environment Apply in a Virtual Environment
2. Hypervisor Creates a New Attack Surface
3. Increased Complexity of Virtualized Systems and Networks
4. More than One Function per Physical System
5. Mixing VMs of Different Trust Levels
6. Lack of Separation of Duties
7. Dormant Virtual Machines
8. VM Images and Snapshots
9. Immaturity of Monitoring Solutions
10. Information Leakage between Virtual Network Segments
11. Information Leakage between Virtual Components
Recommendations For Virtual Environments

- 4.1.1 – Evaluate risks associated with virtual technologies
- 4.1.2 – Understand impact of Virtualization to scope of the CDE
- 4.1.3 – Restrict physical access
- 4.1.4 – Implement defense in depth
- 4.1.5 – Isolate security functions
- 4.1.6 – Enforce least privilege and separation of duties
- 4.1.7 – Evaluate hypervisor technologies
- 4.1.8 – Harden the hypervisor
- 4.1.9 – Harden virtual machines and other components
- 4.1.10 – Define appropriate use of management tools
- 4.1.11 – Recognize the dynamic nature of virtual machines
- 4.1.12 – Evaluate virtualized network security features
- 4.1.13 – Clearly define all hosted virtual services
- 4.1.14 – Understand the technology
Agenda

- z/VM Security Certifications

- z/VM 6.4 – Ease of use in managing z/VM security
  - z/VM 6.3 SPEs
  - z/VM 6.4 Base Security Content
  - *new* z/VM 6.4 1Q17 Security Enhancements!

- z Systems Security Portal

- Discussion / Questions
## z/VM Security Certifications

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| z/VM 6.3   | OSPP with Labeled Security and Virtualization at EAL 4+  
• BSI-DSZ-CC-0903  
• Valid through March 2020. | FIPS 140-2 L1 |
| z/VM 6.1 (Out of service) | OSPP with Labeled Security and Virtualization at EAL 4+  
• BSI-DSZ-CC-0752 | FIPS 140-2 L1 |
| z/VM 5.3 (Out of service) | CAPP/LSPP at EAL 4+ | n/a |

*z/VM releases not listed are "designed to conform to the standards of each security evaluation."

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Common Criteria Evaluation of z/VM V6.4
October 25, 2016 Announcement

IBM intends to evaluate z/VM V6.4 with the RACF Security Server feature, including labeled security, for conformance to the **Operating System Protection Profile (OSPP)** of the Common Criteria standard for IT security, ISO/IEC 15408, at **Evaluation Assurance Level 4 (EAL4+)**.

FIPS Certification of z/VM V6.4
October 25, 2016 Announcement

IBM intends to pursue an evaluation of the Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 140-2 using National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Cryptographic Module Validation Program (CMVP) for the System SSL implementation utilized by z/VM V6.4.
z/VM 6.3 Common Criteria Target of Evaluation
(Operating System Protection Profile with Labeled Security and Virtualization extensions)
z/VM 6.3 FIPS 140-2 Cryptographic Boundary

- **z/VM System SSL**
  - Instantiated on a per-VM basis
  - No access to CryptoExpress
  - Does access CPACF
  - No direct CP involvement

- **The FIPS evaluation:**
  - Validates algorithms
  - Validates key sizes
  - Validates integrity checking
  - Power-On Self Testing
  - "FIPS-mode" certificate database

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z/VM 6.4: Securing the Road to Virtualization
IBM z/VM 6.4

- A release born from customer feedback
  - z Systems Business Leaders Council (zBLC)
  - SHARE dialogues
  - IBM internal T3s (Teach the Teacher)

- Prioritizations set by customers and adjusted by IBM resources and skills

- Two major areas:
  - Technical enhancements that continue to improve TCO and bring direct value
  - Improved quality of life for z/VM system programmers

- New Architecture Level Set (ALS)
  - z196 and z114 or newer
  - Drops z10 EC and BC support
z/VM Security Development Strategy

1. Meet and maintain compliance to industry security standards.

2. Remove obstacles to adopting a secure virtual infrastructure by making security "easy to use."

3. Expand capabilities of the z Systems stack to secure modern workloads.
IBM z/VM 6.4 Security Enhancements

- z/VM Control Program
  - Logon Security
  - CMS Pipelines

- Networking and TCP/IP
  - Updates to default protocols and settings
  - Default VLAN Security (with ESM)
  - Update of crypto library and ported products

- Updates to RACFVM
  - NoAddCreator
  - DirMaint-RACF Connector

- Roll-up of z/VM 6.3 Security SPEs

- Cloud Security Updates
Problem: someone can connect to CP LOGON and probe for valid virtual machine names without authenticating e.g.

LOGON NOTHERE
HCPLGA053E NOTHERE not in CP directory

LOGON TCPMAINT
ENTER PASSWORD (IT WILL NOT APPEAR WHEN TYPED):

HCPLGA050E LOGON unsuccessful--incorrect password

In z/VM 6.4: Change logon flow to accept both userid and password; if either invalid, issue a common message, e.g.

HCPLGA050E LOGON unsuccessful--incorrect userid and/or password

Note: unlike TSO LOGON PREPROMPT, this change is non-configurable
z/VM 6.4 CMS Pipelines – the *digest* stage

- Computes “digest” or “hash” over pipeline records
  - Verifies that data has not been modified
  - Similar to existing **crc** stage (16 or 32 bit checksum)

- New digest types create longer checksum
  - Supports popular cryptographic hash standards
    - SHA224, SHA256, SHA384 and SHA512 (FIPS 180)
    - SHA1 (160 bit, RFC 3174)
    - MD5 (128 bit, RFC 1321)
  - Some use hardware support (if available)
  - Long checksum attractive for use in CMS as well

```
pipe < pipeline news | digest md5 | spec 1-* c2x 1 | cons
661913BF6328DD9A5B29C3A93CA60B70
```

```
pipe < pipeline news | digest sha512 | spec 1-* c2x 1 | cons
42FEF021EDB48AEBD1DB42071198E8241224A9F1E23DC15AC4958C837AF8FC62...
```
The TLS/SSL Server has been updated ... a lot.
- TLS 1.2 and TLS 1.1 now the default TLS protocols (no SSL)
- New set of default cipher suites (weak ones disabled by default)
- System SSL v2.2 support
  - z/VM 6.3 debuted with v1.13, was updated to v2.1 in 2015
- SHA2 family of hashes (SHA256, SHA512 ...)
z/VM 6.4 TLS/SSL Server

- Also included are all the changes made in the service stream
  - TLS and SSL PROTOCOL selection now available
    - PROTOCOL +TLSV1_1
    - PROTOCOL −SSLV3
  - AES Galois/Counter Mode (AES_GCM) – automatic with TLS 1.2
  - Larger DSA certificate support (2048)
  - 'Mode' Operand for auto-configuration to standards
    - MODE FIPS-140-2
    - MODE NIST-800-131a
  - PKCS #12 Support (use a .p12 file instead of a key database)
    - KEYFILE /etc/gskadm/bwhugen.p12
  - ENABLE Operand to turn on any of the cipher suites now disabled by default
    - NOTE: ciphers were disabled for security reasons. Turning these back on is for legacy support only. Exercise all caution when using weak crypto!
z/VM 6.4: Networking and TCP/IP

- **TLS Encryption of RSCS and TCPNJE**
  - Shipped as an SPE to z/VM 6.3 (*APAR PI56474 and associated service*)
  - Allows RSCS to encrypt traffic to other TCPNJE nodes using the TLS/SSL Server
    - Uses existing key databases or .P12 files
    - CPACF if enabled

- **TLSLABEL** parameter for specifying certificate label

- TLS tag on **SMG RSCS QUERY LINK** to note which connections are encrypted

- In z/VM 6.4:
  - C and Assembler APIs that made this possible open for system programmer use

- **Best Practices Whitepaper:**
Default VLAN access with an ESM
- Guests may only access VLANs to which they have been granted access
  - Whether it's the Default VLAN or not, your ESM needs to know about it
  - If you're using a Default VLAN today, you may need to update your ESM before migrating to 6.4.
  - True no matter which ESM you're using.

SMTP FORWARDMAIL NO is now default behavior for SMTP Server
- Already a best practice, now assumed
  - No change if your config file already had alternate value

LDAP has been updated to the z/OS ITDS v2.2 level
- Support for TLS 1.2
  - Password hashing and salted hashing
Why does this matter to you?

- **Standards compliance (corporate, industry, government)**
  - Corporate policy says "encrypt all traffic to hypervisor layer"
  - Usually not "unless it's only one person connecting"
  - We don't want a z/VM LPAR in the clear on the open internet

- **Ability to encrypt TCP/IP traffic inside** the hypervisor as well
  - Telnet, FTPS, SMTP
  - SMAPI worker machines
  - RSCS TCPNJE inside and between z/VM LPARs
    - RSCS + TCP/IP + SSL + DirMaint + SSI for Encrypted Spool File Transfer in a Cluster

- **Future expansion**
z/VM 6.4 Security and RACFVM

- A requirement for meeting today's enterprise security requirements
- RACF enhances z/VM by providing:
  - Extensive auditing of system events
  - Strong Encryption of passwords and password phrases
  - Control of privileged system commands
  - Controls on password policies, access rights, and security management
  - Security Labeling and Zoning for multi-tenancy within a single LPAR (or across a cluster)
- RACF for z/VM is an integral component of z/VM's Common Criteria evaluations
z/VM 6.4 Security and RACFVM – What's New?

- RACF NoAddCreator
- Bundling of the z/VM 6.3 RACFVM Updates (K DFAES and associated)
- ICHRCX02
z/VM 6.4: RACF NoAddCreator

- By default, the issuer of an **RDEFINE** command was added to the access control list for that particular resource
  - Not a fair assumption to make for advanced-security systems
    - *We don't want BWHUGEN owning everything, after all.*
  - Not really convenient for cloud-enabled z/VM systems
    - *We also don't want DIRMAINT owning everything, for the same reason*

- RACF for z/VM 6.4 ports the NOADDCREATOR option from z/OS
  - **RAC SETROPTS ADDCREATOR | NOADDCREATOR**
  - Default setting for new RACF databases
    - For older databases, template-dependent

- Eliminates need for work-arounds or extra configuration
RACF Password Encryption Upgrade
(APAR VM65719 and associated service for z/VM 6.3)

- Enables stronger encryption mechanism of passwords | passphrases in a RACF database
  - Strengthen RACF database against offline attacks
  - Mitigate compliance issues of older encryption algorithms

The Fine Print

1. Password Encryption Upgrade is for z/VM 6.3 and z/VM 6.4 only. It is not available for earlier releases.
2. KDFAES requires CPACF. Feature 3863 must be enabled, or RACFVM will not start if KDFAES is enabled.
3. KDFAES is for an entire database. Note that this may cause a lot of problems if sharing the RACF database (e.g., mixed-level Single System Image clusters, with other levels of z/VM, or even with z/OS).
4. Apply the PTF for APAR VM65688 before using special character support.
5. The RACF template has, understandably, changed. Be advised.
## Recent RACF Security Policy Enhancements
*(APAR VM65719 and associated service for z/VM 6.3)*

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<td>Create passtickets in z/VM; returned by x'\A0'</td>
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ICHRCX02 is a RACF exit related to alternate userid checking.

For years, secure configuration guidance and best-practices have been telling you, "We recommend you just recompile without this. It's safer, especially when you're controlling FTP with RACF."

In z/VM 6.4, ICHRCX02 is (finally) disabled by default.
Why does this matter to you?

- Passwords and password phrases should only map to human users …
  - Linux guests and other workloads should be AUTOONLY or LBYONLY
  - Map administrator access to RACF SURROGAT class
  - Control and audit access by administrators to guest workload

- But even 1 password is applicable to by a corporate security policy
  - Or industry standards
  - Or government policy

- These changes enable greater control of the password lifecycle and protection of those credentials against offline attack
z/VM 6.4: DirMaint-RACF Connector Upgrade

- Upgrades to the DirMaint to RACF Connector
  - Modernizes the Connector with a collection of functional enhancements
  - Brings processing in line with modern z/VM practices
  - Allows better passing of directory information to RACF
  - Facilitates proper security policy in environment managed by IBM Wave for z/VM or OpenStack frameworks
1. Install an External Security Manager (RACF)

2. Update `CONFIGRC DATADVH` in DirMaint
   - Send the sample configuration file to your reader:
     ```sh
     DIRM SEND CONFIGRC SAMPVH
     ```
   - Rename file to `CONFIGRC DATADVH` and make changes
   - Update file on DIRMAINT production disk by issuing:
     ```sh
     DIRM FILE CONFIGRC DATADVH
     ```
   - Place new file into production
     ```sh
     DIRM RLDDATA
     ```

3. Adjustments based upon resource creation and modification

4. Password policy checks in DirMaint exits

5. Further refinements
z/VM 6.4: DirMaint-RACF Connector (Updates!)

- **Connector: LINK statement handling**
  - For changes made through DirMaint, VMMDISK permissions granted
  - Configure UACC, Owner, etc.
  - Removes 10 pages of extra steps for RACF+SMAPI configuration

- **Connector: NICDEF statement handling**
  - VMLAN permissions granted for changes made in DirMaint
  - Works for network connections of all types (Guest LAN, VSwitch …)
  - Note that it's meant for access for guests to Switches, not for VSwitch management itself
  - **User-Based Virtual Switches** to start (limitation of NICDEF statement)
**z/VM 6.4: DirMaint-RACF Connector (How To)**

*Enable the exit for every supported RACF feature …*

`USE_RACF= YES ALL`

*… Or enable on a per-feature basis*

```c
/*!--------------------------------------------------------------------*/
/*! Command handler for LINK Change related commands. */
/*!--------------------------------------------------------------------*/

USE_RACF= YES DVHRLN EXEC
USE_RACF= NO  DVHRLN EXEC

/*!--------------------------------------------------------------------*/
/*! Command handler for NICDEF Change related commands. */
/*!--------------------------------------------------------------------*/

USE_RACF= YES DVHRVN EXEC
USE_RACF= NO  DVHRVN EXEC
```
USE_RACF= YES|NO ALL|dirm_file_name|exit_name
RACF_ADDUSER_DEFAULTS= UACC(NONE
RACF_RDEFINE_VMMDISK_DEFAULTS= UACC(NONE) AUDIT(FAILURES(READ))
RACF_DISK_OWNER_ACCESS= ACC(ALTER)
RACF_RDEFINE_VMPOSIX_POSIXOPT.QUERYDB= UACC(READ)
RACF_RDEFINE_VMPOSIX_POSIXOPT.SETIDS= UACC(NONE)
RACF_RDEFINE_SURROGAT_DEFAULTS= UACC(NONE) AUDIT(FAILURES(READ))
RACF_RDEFINE_VMBATCH_DEFAULTS= UACC(NONE) AUDIT(FAILURES(READ))
RACF_RDEFINE_VMRDR_DEFAULTS= UACC(NONE) AUDIT(FAILURES(READ))
RACF_VMLAN_DEFAULTS= UACC(NONE) AUDIT(FAILURES(READ))
RACF_VMBATCH_DEFAULT_MACHINES= BATCH1 BATCH2
TREAT_RAC_RC.4= 0|4
ESM_PASSWORD_AUTHENTICATION_EXIT= DVHXPA EXEC
z/VM 6.4 Security in 2017:
Security Policy Ease-of-Use Enhancements
z/VM Security in 2017

- OpenStack Newton support << available now
- RACF Ease-of-Use Enhancements << "really, really soon"
OpenStack Security

- OpenStack community has its own Security Group
  - Security Advisories, Code Scanning tools
  - OpenStack Security Guide
    - Recommendations
    - Examples
    - Covers common cloud threats

- Note: OpenStack community guidance is KVM for x86-centric, so it is not a substitute for z Systems security analysis and planning. (But it is a good reference point.)
z/VM 6.4 Security and the Cloud Management Appliance ('Newton')
Available now!

- Hardening of the OPN CLOUD virtual machine
  - NIST compliant crypto
  - API Endpoint Security (HTTPS for OpenStack Services)
  - Security service bundled up

- IUCV replaces SSH for compute-to-guest communication in an LPAR (less key sprawl)

- IBM Secure Engineering Framework guidelines
  - Source code and API scanning of both z/VM and its appliances
  - New: integration of OpenStack Bandit into testing procedures (Python code scanning)
z/VM 6.4 Security and RACFVM Ease-of-Use
Available soon

- Read-Only Auditor (ROAUDIT)
  - Port z/OS feature of the same name – role associated with a RACF USER.
  - Access to SMF logs without the ability to write or tamper
  - Meet compliance goals without privilege escalation. Also nice for external auditors.

- Use **RAC SET VMEVENT LIST** to query the current VMXEVENT profile(s)

[more…]
z/VM 6.4 Security and RACFVM Ease-of-Use
Available soon

- XAUTOLOG..ON (Class A/B by default)
  - AUTOLOGs a virtual machine at a particular vdev – "AUTOLOG Over There"
  - No authentication required – a "break glass in case of emergency" operand

- RACF will now disallow this by default, the moment the PTF is installed
  - Generic RAC profile can restore original behavior
  - Specific access can be granted on a per-user / per-system basis
  - But we want you to make a security decision for your system – do what's right for your shop
z/VM 6.4 Security – What's Next?

- We'll continue to work with Design Thinking and Sponsor Users
  - Finding out what's most meaningful to you
  - Delivering quick but meaningful function

- Watch for more changes in the months ahead
  - Networking may be popular
  - So may cloud support
  - Encryption is also a popular topic …
Do you want more z/VM Security enhancements?

Submit one!

https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/rfe/
IBM Security formally labeled 2014 as "insane" …

Heartbleed

Bar Mitzvah

VENOM
CVE-2015-3456
… and the situation has not improved.

$18M average organizational cost of a data breach in the U.S.

$606 average organizational cost per compromised record in the U.S.

Source: 2015 ‘Cost of Data Breach Study: Global Analysis’, Ponemon Institute
"Is z/VM vulnerable to that thing I heard on Twitter?"
Advertisement: z Systems Security Portal

- IBM z Systems Security policy prohibits the general disclosure of vulnerability analyses (negative or positive).

- z/VM provides a CVSS Score and Vector for Security-related z/VM APARs ("ResourceLink" information) for subscribed customers
  
  - "In addition, Security Notices will be published through this website in order to address high-profile security issues, notifications and possible warnings."

- Customer access to the portal can be obtained at the following website: http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/solutions/security_subintegrity.html
Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS v3)

- z/VM provides a CVSS Score and Vector for Security-related z/VM APARs ("ResourceLink" information) for subscribed customers of z/VM

- An open-standard metric for vulnerability measurement
  - Not to be confused with a “threat rating system” or vulnerability catalogue

- CVSS used today to describe a lot of security problems by a lot of security vendors, including Linux distributions

Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS v3)

- Comprised of three scores:
  - A **base metric** (complexity, levels of authentication, access vectors, &c.)
  - A **temporal metric** (exploitability, fix availability)
  - An **environmental metric** (impact to a specific configuration)

  ![CVSS v3.0 Metric Groups Diagram]

  - Combined with release, component, "impacted users" information from APAR, a **determination of applicability** to your shops can be made
Summary

IBM z/VM with RACF for z/VM

Linux Security (SELinux, AppArmor, cgroups)
OpenSSH for secure guest connectivity
Centralized Audit with PAM and ITDS

Architecture-layer guest isolation
TLS 1.2 connectivity & VLAN-aware Virtual Switch
OSPP EAL 4+ with Labeled Security (Multitenancy)

Architecture-layer isolation of workload
Ultimate partition isolation (CC EAL 5)
Hipersockets for secured internal traffic

Hardware acceleration of cryptographic ops
PKCS #11 and CCA support
FIPS 140-2 Level 4 HSM (Secure Key)
Thank You