



New Security Features in OpenSolaris and Beyond

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Disclaimer

- this presentation doesn't bring to you an exhaustive list of new security features in OpenSolaris, or all new features under development
- we focus on a selected lists of contributions
- with some examples and demos
- as of June 2008, for features under development the details are subject to change as work progresses

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lofi(7D) Encryption

- lofi is an **existing loopback file driver**
 - > exports a file as a block device
 - > R/W on it is translated to the underlying file
 - > initially created to mount ISO images
- `lofiadm(1M)` extended to support requesting encryption and setting the key
- no data integrity protection (yet)
 - > use of non-expanding mode with built-in integrity protection is planned (e.g., CCM)
- short demo using current prototype

ZFS on-disk Encryption

- Phase 1
 - > **per dataset policy for enabling encryption**, including algorithm and key length
 - > per dataset keys wrapped by single per pool key
 - > pool key from pass phrase using PKCS#5 PBE
 - > pool key can be stored in PKCS#11 token
 - > **development complete**, under code review
- Phase 2
 - > remote key manager using KMF
 - > zone / TX Label key management delegation
 - > per user key management

ZFS on-disk Encryption (cont'd)

- Phase 3
 - > secure deletion
 - > key escrow (via KMF functionality)
- Phase 4
 - > encrypted root file system (KCF early in boot issues)
 - > HA/Cluster ZFS and encrypted data sets

Cryptographic Framework (CF)

- provides cryptographic services
 - > to users and applications through commands
 - > a user-level API
 - > a kernel-level API
 - > a plug-in framework using PKCS#11
- see `cryptoadm list` on your system
- *tokens* are used through *slots*
- see Wolfgang Ley's presentation for more information
 - > presented at this conference

OpenSSL PKCS#11 Engine

- an OpenSSL *engine* is a container for an implementation of crypto algorithms
- the ENGINE API manipulates the engines
- **the PKCS#11 engine accesses the CF through the PKCS#11 API**
 - > the engine is internally developed at Sun
 - > not shipped with the OpenSSL source code
 - > a patch for the latest OpenSSL version exists
- originally developed to accelerate Apache on Niagara-1 by use of `ncp(7D)`

OpenSSL PKCS#11 Engine (cont'd)

- the situation changes with **n2cp(7D)** and machines based on the T2 chip (Niagara-2)
 - > offers hardware acceleration of symmetric crypto and message digests
 - > **lots of potential consumers now**
- `openssl engine -vvv -t -c` shows the list of supported mechanisms
- support for offloading more mechs under development
 - > e.g., AES counter mode (AES CTR), SHA-2, ...

SunSSH & PKCS#11 Engine Support

- problem: SunSSH is “slow” on Niagara2
 - > because all SSH implementations are slow
 - > problem: **SSH apps are single-threaded**
- **what we can do ?**
 - > use hw acceleration using `n2cp`, `mca` (SCA-6000)
 - > parallel processing of data (with CTR mode)
- hw acceleration: 2 ways to do it
 - > through the OpenSSL PKCS#11 engine
 - > get rid of OpenSSL & use PKCS#11 API directly

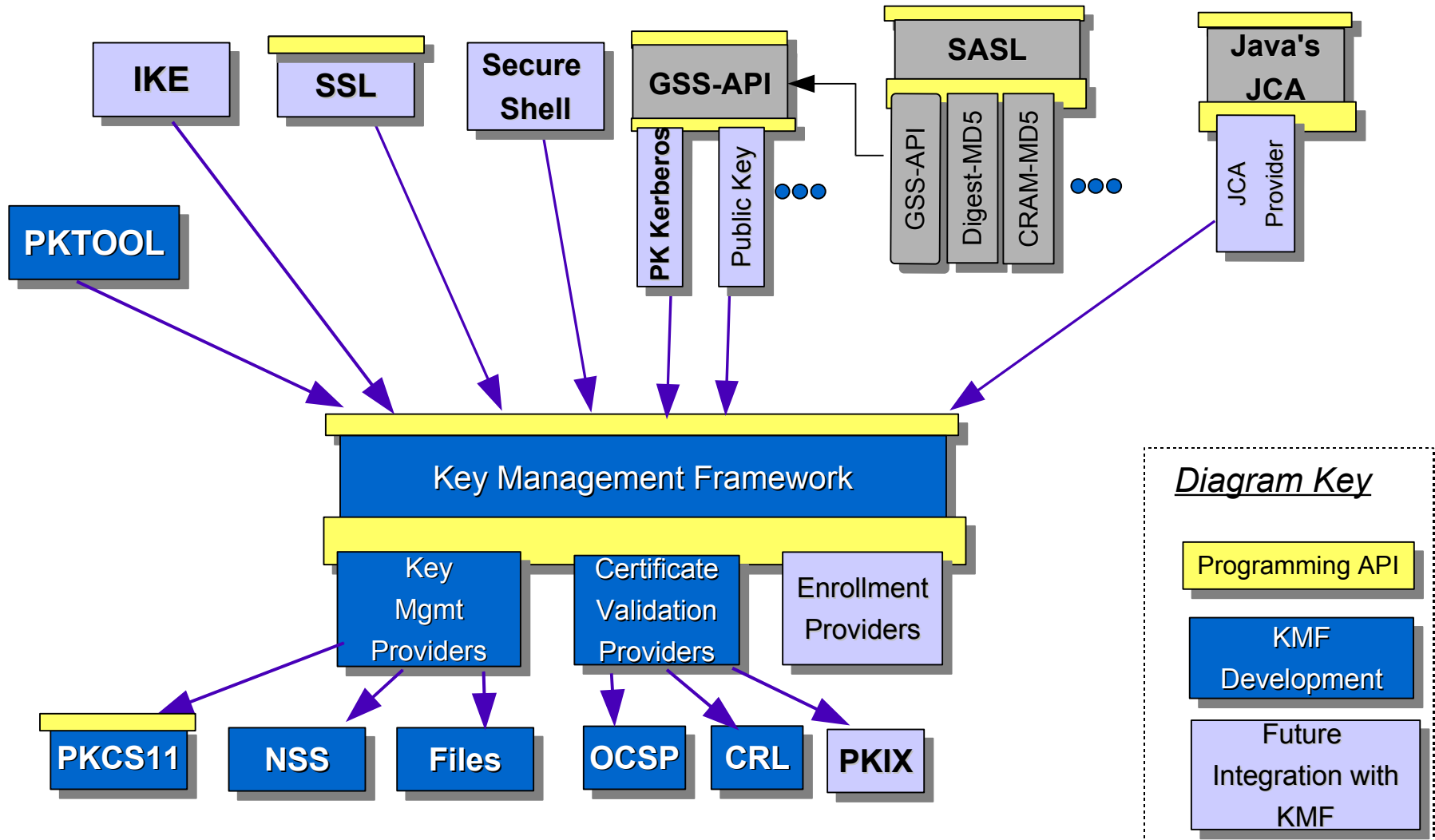
SunSSH with the Engine (cont'd)

- **switching to the PKCS#11 engine** through OpenSSL seemed faster to do
- expectations - **how fast can we go?**
 - > don't forget the inherent overhead of CF
 - > offloading small data packets to hardware is slower than using the OpenSSL code
 - > each SSH packet is processed twice (HMAC, encryption)
- demo with the SunSSH prototype using the PKCS#11 engine
 - > 2.5x faster using default AES-128-CTR on T2

Key Management Framework (KMF)

- before KMF, several existing “keystore systems” for designing a PKI application
 - > NSS, OpenSSL, PKCS#11 API
 - > **problem:** not compatible with each other
 - > **problem:** no PKI policy enforcement
- KMF provides a consistent mgmt interface
 - > through the `pktool(1)` utility
- the KMF API hides the details of the underlying keystores
- KMF provides a system wide security policy

KMF Big Picture



KMF (cont'd)

- more on KMF API
 - > **Solaris 10:** project private, architecture not pluggable and not for 3rd party application use
 - > **new API in Nevada:** public API, pluggable architecture
 - > and, new things to come
 - PKIX (so far, path length=1 only is supported)
 - certificate-to-name mapping
- `pktool(1)` for managing certs and keys
- `kmfcfg(1)` for managing policy files

SunSSH as a KMF Consumer

- SSH2 protocol: **publickey auth with public keys vers. X.509 certificates**
- *“are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no) ?”* is annoying
 - > and might not be possible to say “yes” safely
- what we can get using X.509 certs
- no RFC for X.509 pubkey auth, only drafts
 - > and, IETF SSH work group closed down
- will need cert-to-name mapping in KMF

KMF API Example Usage

- our objective – **to validate a certificate**
- only the certificate is needed
 - > everything else is in the policy file
 - > location of the Trusted Anchor (TA) will be in the policy, too
 - now it must be provided to the KMF function for certificate validation
- **source code example**
 - > using the SunSSH X.509 prototype code
 - > calls `kmf_cert_validate()` using a chosen policy through a KMF handle

libmd(3LIB) – Message Digest Library

- small library for message digests
 - > when PKCS#11 might seem too heavy
- libmd5 was in Solaris before OpenSSL, libmd was a logical step forward
 - > some other systems have the same API
- doesn't make use of CF
 - > suitable for apps that need **digests only, quickly**, and don't process too much data
- ABI compatibility
- short source code example

Kerberos Enhancements

- Client Zero-Conf
 - > DNS lookup KDC
 - > heuristic to determine REALM
 - > krb5.conf defaults
 - > limited referral support
 - > Nevada 71
- LDAP DB Support
 - > pluggable db framework
 - > DB2 plugin
 - > multi-master KDC ?
 - > Nevada 73

Kerberos Enhancements (cont'd)

- kclient Version 2
 - > MS AD join
 - > non-Solaris KDC support
 - > dynamic clients
 - > Nevada 91
- re-syncs with MIT Kerberos
 - > 1.4.3 fully synced
 - > major features from 1.5, 1.6 already introduced
 - > 1.6.3 full-resync coming

Kerberos Enhancements (cont'd)

- PKINIT
 - > initial authentication with x509 certificates
 - > pre-authentication plugin
 - > OpenSSL / KMF
- Kerberos Master-Key Encryption Type migration
 - > single DES default
 - > cannot be changed without destroying existing db
 - > MIT Consortium (www.kerberos.org)

Validated Execution

- automatic integrity verification of all code **before execution**
 - > kernel
 - > libraries
 - > utilities, including shell scripts, Java, Perl, etc.
- secure boot
- initial Solaris support for Trusted Computing Group (TCG) technologies
- disclaimer: early in project lifecycle, so details described here may change

Validated Execution - Key Elements

- signed manifests describing executables
 - > shipped with Solaris releases and patches
 - > can be generated by customers and ISV's
 - > manifest format defined by TCG specifications
- verifies executables upon `exec(2)`,
`dlopen(2)`, `mmap(2)`, `modload(1)`
- uses Trusted Platform Module (TPM) storage to validate initial modules during boot
- incorporates TPM as a keystore in the Solaris Cryptographic Framework

Validated Execution - Administration

- administrator control over
 - > which signatures to accept
 - > maximum privileges available to each executable set
- use `bart (1M)` to
 - > generate custom manifests
 - > verify filesystem contents against manifests
- key administration principle
 - > simple configuration
 - > predictable effects

Solaris Trusted Extensions (TX)

- a redesign of the Trusted Solaris product using a layered architecture
- an extension of the Solaris security foundation **providing access control policies based on the label of objects**
- a set of additional software packages added to a standard Solaris system
- a set of label-aware services which implement multilevel security

What is Labeling?

- **every object has a label associated with it**
 - > files, windows, printers, devices, network packets, network interfaces, processes, etc...
- hierarchical or disjoint relationships
- accessing/sharing data is controlled by the objects' label relationship to each other
 - > reading requires label dominance
 - reader's label \geq objects label
 - > writing requires label equality for the subject and object

Solaris Trusted Extensions (cont.)

- hooks included in Solaris 10 Update 3
 - > Layered product included in EA directory
 - > Free, just like Solaris
- **CC EAL 4+ for S10 11/06 Trusted Extensions issued in June 11, 2008**
- Sun Ray SRSS 4.0 (Bacchus) fully supports TX
- Nevada and S10u5 enable TX w/out separate install

Labeled Zones in Trusted Extensions

- each zone provides a security boundary
 - > unique sensitivity label per zone
 - > labels are implied by process zone IDs
 - > processes and data are isolated by label
- no object is writable by more than one zone
 - > mount policy prevents writing down or reading up
 - > network policy requires endpoint label equality (default)
- information sharing between zones is based on label relationships



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Selection Manager

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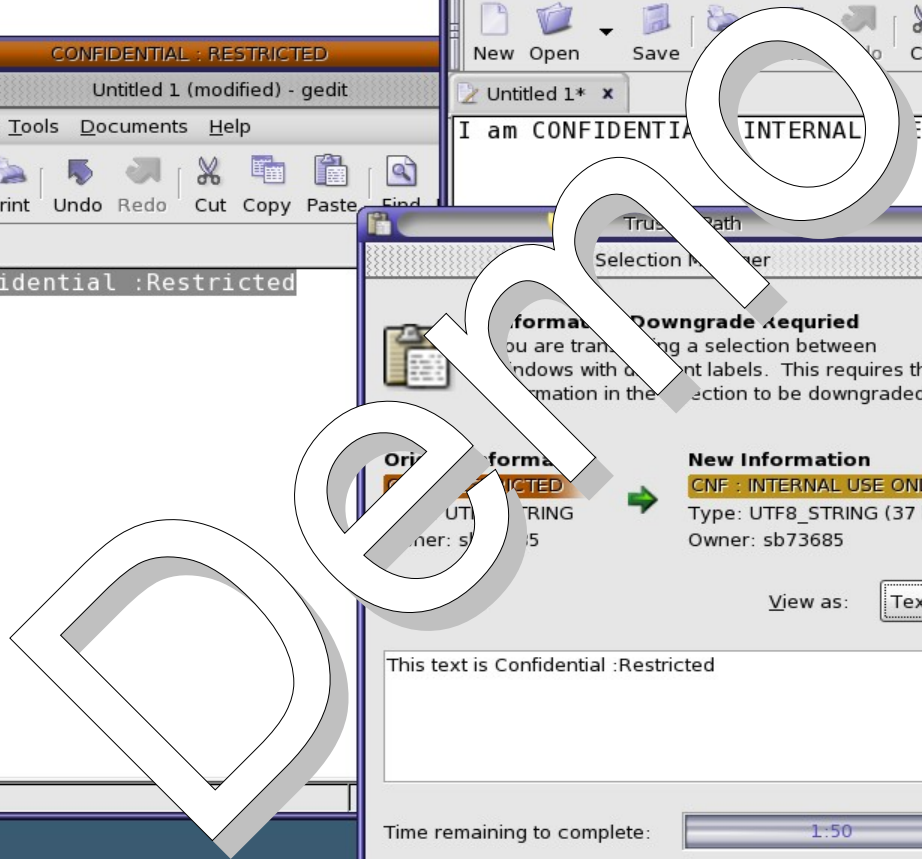
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What we didn't talk about...

- Secure By Default
- ipfilter enhancements
- IPsec enhancements
- IKE enhancements
- Virtualization Security
- ...and more

Design discussions

- **we're open!**
- security-discuss@opensolaris.org
- crypto-discuss@opensolaris.org
- kerberos-discuss@opensolaris.org
- kmf-discuss@opensolaris.org
- and lots of others...
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