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## z/VM Security: Introducing V7.2 *(and Multi-factor Authentication for z/VM)*

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# Introducing z/VM 7.2

## **GA September 18, 2020**

- Preview announce April 14, 2020
- GA Announce August 4, 2020

**New Architecture Level Set of z13 and LinuxONE** or newer processor families

## **Includes new function service shipped for z/VM 7.1 including:**

- 80 Logical Processor support, [Dynamic Crypto](#), VSwitch Priority Queuing, etc.

## **Additionally, includes:**

- Centralize Service Management
- Multiple Subchannel Set Multi-Target Peer-To-Peer Remote Copy support for the GDPS environment
- Adjunct virtual machine support
- Foundational support for future new function APARs

# Summary of z/VM Releases

| Release  | ProdId   | GA            | EOM          | EOS          | Notes                                |
|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| z/VM 7.2 | 5741-A09 | Sept 18, 2020 | TBD          | TBD          |                                      |
| z/VM 7.1 | 5741-A09 | Sept 21, 2018 | TBD          | TBD          | Start of 2 Year Cadence <sup>1</sup> |
| z/VM 6.4 | 5741-A07 | Nov 11, 2016  | Mar 9, 2020  | Mar 31, 2021 |                                      |
| z/VM 6.3 | 5741-A07 | July 26, 2013 | Nov 11, 2016 | Dec 31, 2017 |                                      |

| Release <sup>3</sup>  | z15 &<br>LinuxONE III | z14 &<br>LinuxONE II | z13 & LinuxONE<br>Emperor | z13s & LinuxONE<br>Rockhopper | zEC12 | zBC12 | z196 | z114 | z10 EC | z10 BC |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|--------|
| z/VM 7.2              | Yes                   | Yes                  | Yes                       | Yes                           |       |       |      |      |        |        |
| z/VM 7.1              | Yes                   | Yes                  | Yes                       | Yes                           | Yes   | Yes   |      |      |        |        |
| z/VM 6.4              | Yes                   | Yes                  | Yes                       | Yes                           | Yes   | Yes   | Yes  | Yes  |        |        |
| z/VM 6.3 <sup>2</sup> |                       | Some <sup>4</sup>    | Yes                       | Yes                           | Yes   | Yes   | Yes  | Yes  | Yes    | Yes    |

1. z/VM GA every 2 years with in service for ~4.5 years.
2. z/VM 6.3 no longer supported but referenced what machines were supported when it was.
3. Service may be required for support of various servers.
4. There was support for the enterprise class z14 and Emperor, but not for ZR1 and LR1 (Rockhopper).

# Why secure z/VM?

*\*(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



# z/VM Security Certifications

## V7.2 Statements of Direction -- April 14, 2020

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

| z/VM Level                       | Common Criteria   |  |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>z/VM V7.2 SoD</b>             | <b>BSI OSPP (with Virt and Labeled Security extensions) at EAL 4+</b>   | <b>NIAP VPP with Server Virt. Extended Package</b> |
| <b>z/VM 7.1</b>                  | Not evaluated ("designed to conform to standards")  |  |
| <b>z/VM 6.4</b>                  | OSPP with Labeled Security and Virtualization at EAL 4+ -- <b>COMPLETED!</b><br><a href="http://www.ocsi.isticom.it/index.php/elenchi-certificazioni/in-corso-di-valutazione">http://www.ocsi.isticom.it/index.php/elenchi-certificazioni/in-corso-di-valutazione</a> |  |
| <b>z/VM 6.3 (Out of Service)</b> | OSPP with Labeled Security and Virtualization at EAL 4+ -- <b>COMPLETED!</b><br>• was valid through March 2020  |  |



| z/VM Level                       | FIPS 140-2  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| <b>z/VM V7.2 SoD</b>             | <b>FIPS 140-2 L1 for z/VM System SSL and ICSFLIB</b>  |
| <b>z/VM 7.1</b>                  | Not evaluated ("designed to conform to standards")  |
| <b>z/VM 6.4</b>                  | FIPS 140-2 L1 -- <b>COMPLETED!</b><br><a href="https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/cryptographic-module-validation-program/Certificate/3374">https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/cryptographic-module-validation-program/Certificate/3374</a> |
| <b>z/VM 6.3 (Out of service)</b> | FIPS 140-2 L1 -- <b>COMPLETED!</b>  |



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# z/VM 7.2 – System Default Changes

## TDISK clearing

- The default has changed to Enabled.

The SRM unparking model

- The default unparking model has changed from HIGH to MEDIUM.

System Recovery Boost

- SRB has been enabled by default
- Still requires z15 or newer and appropriate configuration.

## z/VM Directory Maintenance (DirMaint)

- NEEDPASS - the default value has changed to No
- DVHWAIT BATCH and CLUSTER INTERVAL values have been updated to improve DirMaint's overall processing time in response to directory change requests.

## Telnet Server Certificate Check

- Changed from CLIENTCERTCHECK NONE to **CLIENTCERTCHECK PREFERRED**
- Change made to z/VM 7.1 with APAR PH18435

# **z/VM 7.2 includes all the new function from z/VM 7.1**

## **Systems Management**

- ESM control/audit of SMAPI calls
- CMS SSL Pipelines

## **TCPIP**

- Elliptic Curve for the TLS Server
- Protocol identification on active connections
- TLS client certificate verification
- TLS server hostname validation settings

## **CP**

- Support and virtualization of IBM z15 and LinuxONE III CPACF and Crypto Express features
- Dynamic crypto support

## **RACF**

- RACF FixPack 2019 (includes query for the database template level)
- Multifactor Authentication (requires an ESM; also requires IBM Z Multi-factor Authentication V2.1)

# z/VM Support of z15 Cryptographic Hardware

PTF for APAR VM66248 -- refer to <http://www.ibm.com/service/vmreqz15.html>

New CPACF facilities and  
Crypto Express7S orderable  
features

Service implications when  
operating in an SSI with  
multiple z/VM release levels  
and/or hardware levels

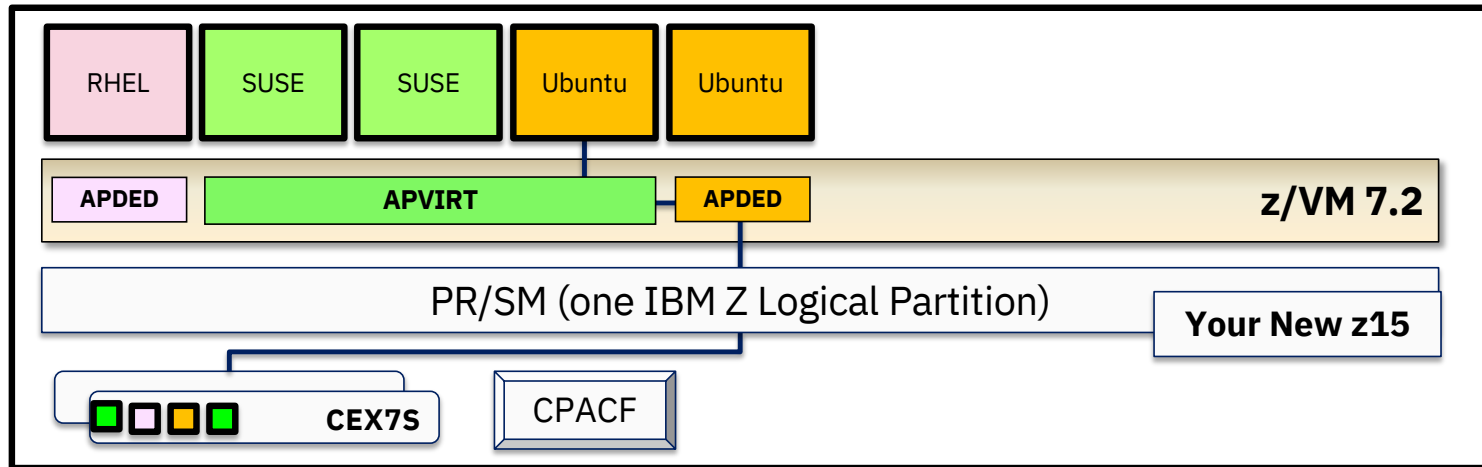
z/VM APAR table

| APAR                    | z/VM 6.4 | z/VM 7.1 | Description  |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|--|
| <a href="#">VM66248</a> | ✓        | ✓        | Support for new hardware facilities                      |
| <a href="#">VM66283</a> | ✗        | ✓        | z/VM System recovery boost                               |
| <a href="#">PI99085</a> | ✓        | ✓        | TCP/IP support for OSA-Express7S Adapter                 |
| <a href="#">VM66239</a> | ✓        | ✓        | IBM z15 HCD support                                      |
| <a href="#">VM66318</a> | ✓        | ✓        | LinuxONE III HCD support                                 |
| <a href="#">VM66206</a> | ✓        | ✓        | Fix for AP Crypto messages may be lost during relocation |
| <a href="#">VM65976</a> | ✓        | 7.1 base | LGR Support for ESA/390 removal                          |
| <a href="#">VM65952</a> | ✓        | ✓        | EREP/VM support  |
| <a href="#">VM65266</a> | ✓        | 7.1 base | z/VM support of a 3906 processor                         |
| <a href="#">VM65598</a> | ✓        | ✓        | VMHCM support  |
| <a href="#">VM66240</a> | ✓        | ✓        | z/VM IOCP update   |
| <a href="#">PH00902</a> | ✓        | ✓        | New HLASM hardware instructions                          |
| <a href="#">PI46151</a> | ✓        | ✓        | ICKDSF Stand alone version z/Architecture support        |



# z/VM Virtualization of Hardware Cryptography

Crypto Express features associated with your z/VM partition are **virtualized for the benefit of your guests**:



## **APDED** (“Dedicated”)

Connects a particular AP domain (or set of domains) directly to a virtual machine – no hypervisor interference

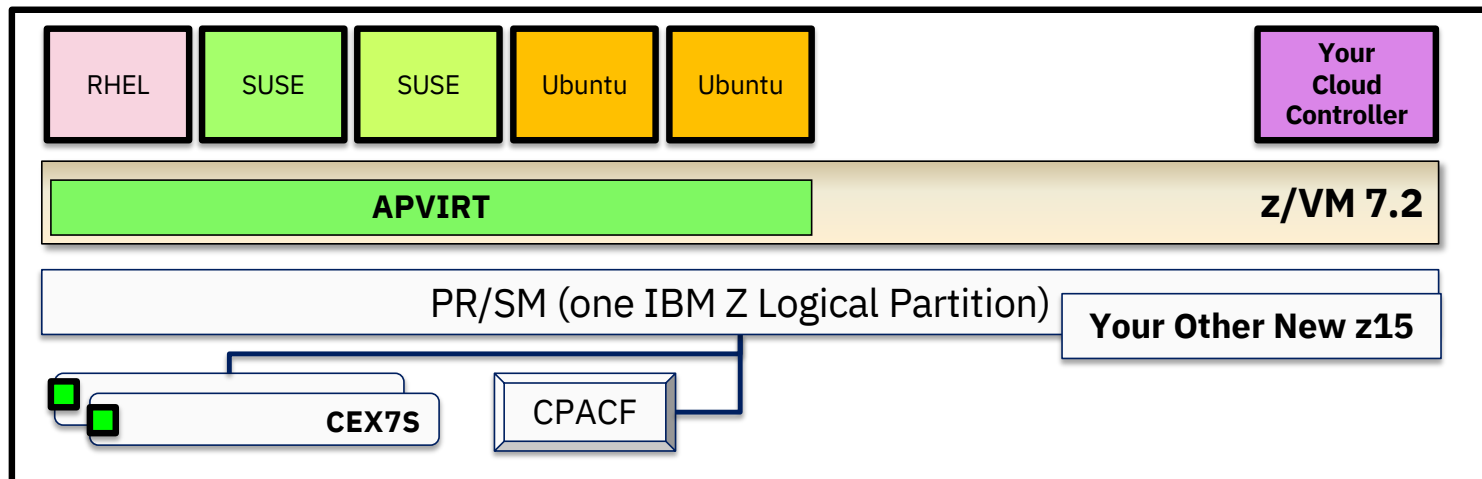
**All card functions** are available to the guest

## **APVIRT** (“Shared”)

Virtual machine can access a collection of domains controlled by the hypervisor layer

Meant for **clear-key operations only** – sharing crypto material might otherwise break security policy.

## Sample of Crypto Virtualization: LinuxONE Developer Cloud



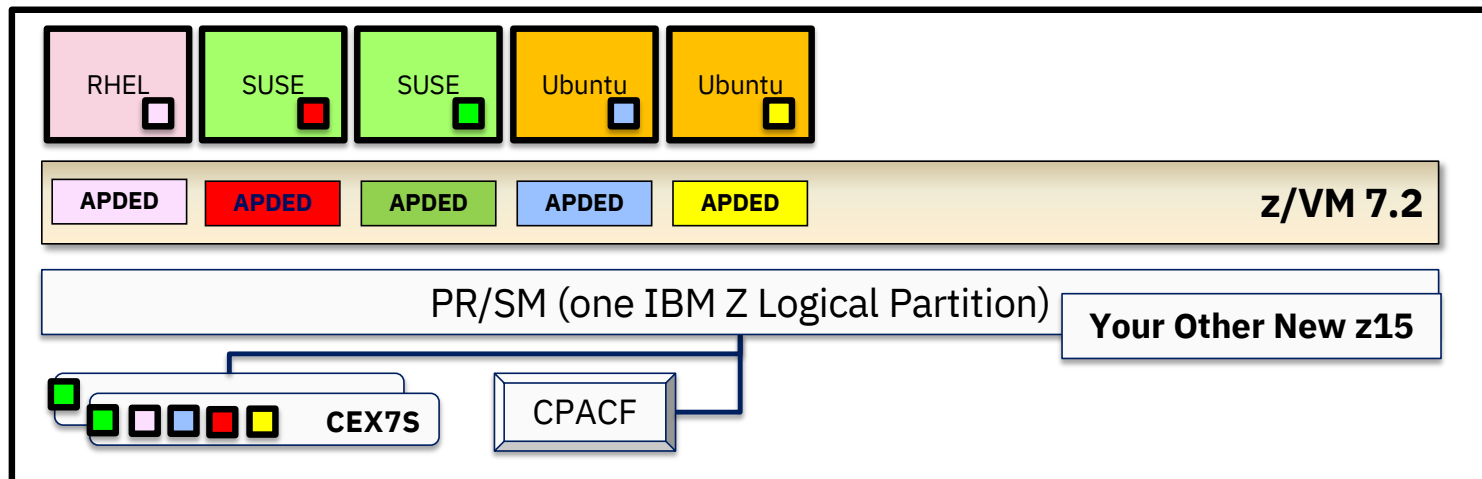
**Crypto operations:** SSH (RSA, SHA-2, AES), and *whatever data handled inside the guests*

**Environmental Requirements:** Relocatable (it's a cloud)

**Recommended Hardware:**

- CPACF
- Crypto Express CCA Accelerator in shared configuration (“APVIRT”)
  - Assign 1 domain from 2-3 different features (hardware failover, performance)

## Sample of Crypto Virtualization: Linux on IBM Z Blockchain (*not* HSBN)



**Crypto operations:** A lot. It's a Blockchain

**Environmental Requirements:** Protection of key material. (It's a Blockchain.)

### Recommended Hardware:

- CPACF (required for secure and protected key ops on the crypto adapters)
- Crypto Express CCA Coprocessors or EP11-mode Coprocessors, as appropriate
  - One domain per guest participating in the Hyperledger fabric

# Dynamic Crypto Support for z/VM

[https://www.vm.ibm.com/newfunction/#dynamic\\_crypto](https://www.vm.ibm.com/newfunction/#dynamic_crypto)

z/VM 7.1  
PTF for APAR VM66266

**Dynamic Crypto support** enables changes to the z/VM crypto environment without requiring an IPL of z/VM or its guests (e.g. Linux on Z).

## This allows:

- Less disruptive addition or removal of Crypto Express hardware to/from a z/VM system and its guests
- Less disruptive maintenance and repair of Crypto Express hardware attached and in-use by a z/VM system
- Reassignment and allocation of crypto resources without requiring a system IPL or user logoff/logon
- Greater flexibility to change crypto resources between shared and dedicated use.

**Additionally**, there are RAS benefits for shared-use crypto resources:

- Better detection of Crypto Express adapter errors with "silent" retrying of shared pool requests to alternative resources
- Ability to recover failed Crypto Express adapters
- Improved internal diagnostics for IBM service
- Improved logoff and live guest relocation latency for users of shared crypto.

# z/VM Dynamic Crypto – Commands

z/VM 7.1  
PTF for APAR VM66266

## **VARY ONLINE CRYPTO** (B)

- Bring a Crypto Express adapter online

## **VARY OFFLINE CRYPTO** (B)

- Take a Crypto Express adapter offline (device associations remain in place)

## **ATTACH CRYPTO** (B)

- Add crypto resource(s) to your z/VM guest (or APVIRT)

## **DETACH CRYPTO** (B or G)

- Remove dedicated crypto resources from a guest
- Remove crypto resources from the shared crypto pool
- Remove guest access to the shared crypto pool

## – **DEFINE CRYPTO** APVirtual (G)

- assign or reassign shared crypto resource access to a z/VM guest

## – **QUERY CRYPTO DOMAINS** (which is just what it sounds like)

## **z/VM Dynamic Crypto – Usage Notes**

Attachments persist even when a device is taken offline

Resource assignment (dedicated/shared) does not change when an adapter is varied on/off

FORCE option:

- Not required when DETACHing crypto resources
- Required when VARYing OFF an adapter with crypto resources in use
- Either way, exercise caution when using

# The Importance of Cryptographic Hygiene

Dynamic Crypto gives you a lot of power to modify the environment

- This is a good thing and a bad thing
- **“With great power comes great responsibility.”**

z/VM does not zeroize domains before reassigning to a guest (or to APVIRT)

- We don't want to make that assumption (traditionally, this is HMC territory)
- **This might lead to “residual crypto” (Ewww)**

Basic guidelines:

- Zeroize (at HMC) when changing adapter modes or changing security zones
- Changes between unused and APVIRT: safe (no key material involved)
- Changes involving clear-key APDED: consider zeroizing
- Changes involving secure-key APDED: definitely zeroize

New chapter from z/VM Development now available via web / publications

# z/VM Dynamic Crypto – Summary

z/VM 7.1  
PTF for APAR VM66266

Now available via PTF for APAR VM66266 for z/VM 7.1 only

- *Prereq VM66206 for z/VM 6.4 and z/VM 7.1 (installed on all SSI members before dynamic crypto is applied.)*

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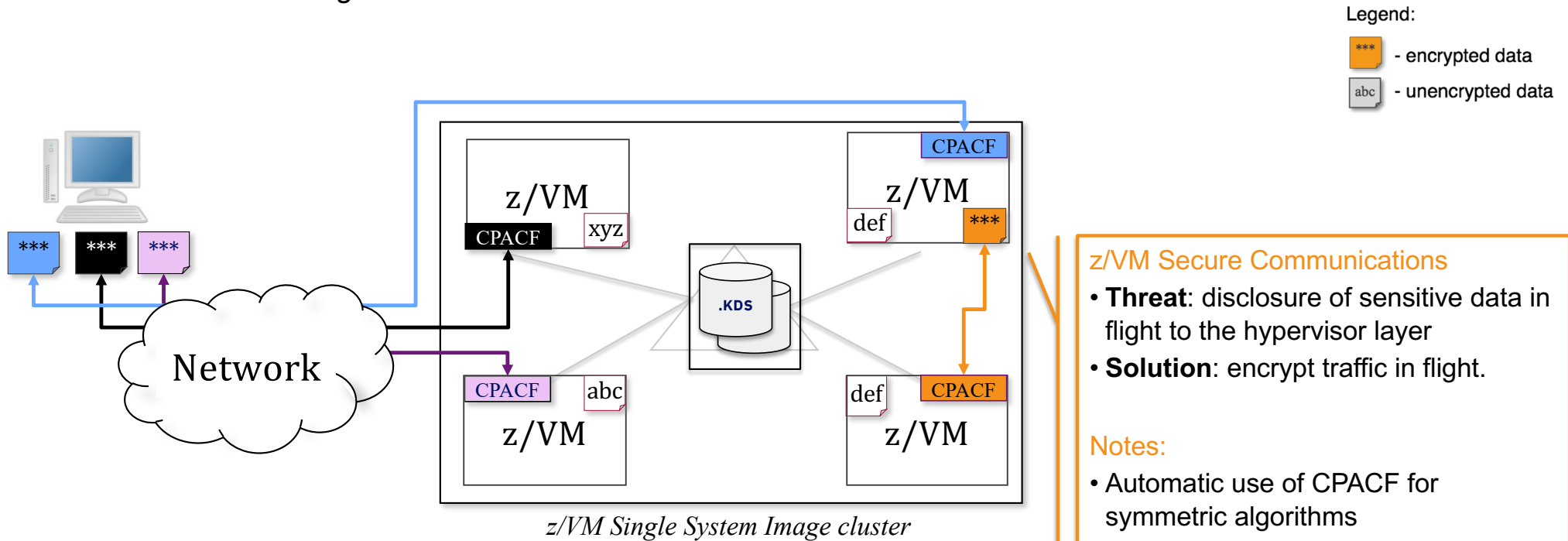
**Sponsor users** were engaged heavily in the process

- Design playbacks and to-be scenarios
- Usability iterations
- Demos and hands-on-code early testing



# Data Protection // z/VM Network Security

Protection of data in-flight



## z/VM Secure Communications

- **Threat:** disclosure of sensitive data in flight to the hypervisor layer
- **Solution:** encrypt traffic in flight.

## Notes:

- Automatic use of CPACF for symmetric algorithms
- Automatic use of Crypto Express features (**if available**) for acceleration of asymmetric algorithms
- Built on System SSL and ICSFLIB for z/VM

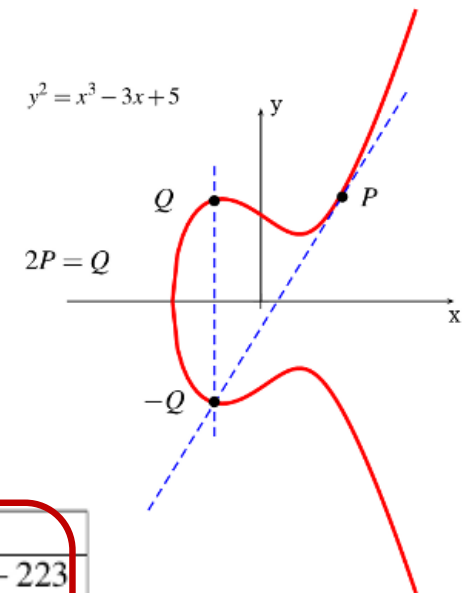
## Client Value Proposition:

*Not all organizations use host-based network encryption today ...  
reduced cost of encryption enables broad use of network encryption*

# Elliptic Curve and the TLS Server

*PTF for APAR PI99184*

- Elliptic Curve variants of many major ciphers now available for the TLS Server
  - Enabled by default
  - Currently lacks hardware acceleration
  - Still faster/stronger than asymmetric algorithms based on prime factorization
- Elliptic Curve operations available for certain asymmetric operations as well as key exchange algorithms
- Important update for future growth (TLS 1.3 will be made exclusively of Elliptic Curve ciphers)



| Bits of Security | Symmetric Algorithm | RSA         | ECC             |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 80               | 2TDEA               | $k = 1024$  | $f = 160 - 223$ |
| 112              | 3TDEA               | $k = 2048$  | $f = 224 - 255$ |
| 128              | AES-128             | $k = 3072$  | $f = 256 - 383$ |
| 192              | AES-192             | $k = 7680$  | $f = 384 - 511$ |
| 256              | AES-256             | $k = 15360$ | $f = 512+$      |

# TLS Server – Sponsor User Feedback: Protocol Tracking

*PTF for APAR PI99184*

TLS protocol level now appears on output related to secure connections (**SSLADMIN QUERY SESSIONS** and **NETSTAT IDENTIFY SSL**)

- Easy way to determine **which active connections** may be using an older protocol level

```
ssladmin query sessions (ssl all
```

```
DTCSSL2404I Sending command to server(s): TCPIP01
```

```
DTCSSL2430I Session information:
```

| Server   | Local Socket    | Remote Socket    | Type | Label    | Cipher Details                    |
|----------|-----------------|------------------|------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| SSL00001 | 9.60.60.3..23   | 9.60.60.4..1031  | I    | TESTCERT | TLS1.2_ECDHE_ECDSA_AES_128_SHA256 |
| SSL00002 | 9.60.60.3..23   | 9.60.60.7..1036  | I    | TESTCERT | TLS1.2_ECDHE_ECDSA_AES_128_SHA256 |
| SSL00003 | 9.60.60.3..23   | 9.60.60.12..1045 | I    | TESTCERT | TLS1.2_ECDHE_ECDSA_AES_128_SHA256 |
| SSL00005 | <*No Sessions*> |                  |      |          |                                   |
| SSL00004 | <*No Sessions*> |                  |      |          |                                   |

# z/VM TLS/SSL Certificate Verification

June 2020

**Client Certificate Authentication** - Allows a server to verify a client by ensuring that the client certificate

- has been signed by a certificate authority that the server trusts
- has not expired
- Default Telnet certificate check change to CLIENTCERTCHECK PREFERRED

**Host Name Validation** - Allows a client to verify the identity of a server using either

- Host Name
- Domain Name
- Host IP Address

**New APIs** to allow fields to be extracted from a client or server certificate

| Component | APAR    | PTF              | RSU |
|-----------|---------|------------------|-----|
| TCP/IP    | PH18435 | z/VM 7.1 UI69975 | TBD |
| CMS       | VM66348 | z/VM 7.1 UM35651 | TBD |
| LE        | VM66349 | z/VM 7.1 UM35650 | TBD |

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Expands previous support for dynamically secured Telnet connections to the z/VM FTP and SMTP servers

New or enhanced **CLIENTCERTCHECK** statement/option

– **FTP server**

- Statement in FTP configuration file (SRVRFTP CONFIG)
- *SMSG server\_id SECURE* command
- CERTFULLCHECK and CERTNOCHECK removed from *FTP* command

– **SMTP server**

- *TLS* statement in SMTP CONFIG file
- *SMSG server\_id TLS* command

– **Telnet server**

- *INTERNALCLIENTPARMS* statement

– **TCPIP CONFIG**

- *PORT* statement
  - for verification of statically secured connections

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**SIOCSECCLIENT** call has been enhanced to accept a new version of the SecureDetailType structure which includes an extension for specifying the above validation string(s)

New options on **TELNET** command

- **SECURE** **HVCONTINUE**  
**HVNONE**  
**HVREQUIRED**

New **HOSTVERIFICATION** statement in TCPIP DATA

- Defines default client host verification setting when no **HV...** option is specified on **TELNET SECURE** command

# z/VM 7.1 ESM Controls for Systems Management

*PTF for APAR VM66167*

z/VM Systems Management APIs provide a fast-path to privileged function

- Used by various products for virtual infrastructure management
- Used by cloud products and plug-ins for Infrastructure-as-a-Service configurations

SMAPI will be upgraded to call an ESM to check authorizations for APIs

- Per system, per API, per calling userid
- FACILITY class profiles (e.g. `SMAPI.<target>.<api>.<requestor>.<system_name>`)
- ESM auditing records (SMF) included in main security logs

Important for cloud-centric environments, like those managed by:

- IBM Wave for z/VM
- IBM Cloud Infrastructure Center
- OpenShift Control Program

# CMS Pipelines – SSL Support

June 2020

**Enhance existing CMS applications** to use secure TCP/IP connections

- Using z/VM System SSL to inherit the settings defined
- Continue to use existing applications and comply with company security policy

Integrate CMS applications and CMS-based data with **cloud-based services**

- Interface with enterprise applications when replaced by web services
- Exploit new web services for use in CMS applications

**Implicit SSL** – application transparent secure “tunnel”

- Suitable for HTTPS client (including RESTful services)
- Trivial change to make a pipeline-based client application use SSL

**Explicit SSL** – application protocol determined SSL (aka STARTTLS) \*

- Suitable for FTP and LDAP with secure connections

**New built-in stage** to exchange data through FTP with secure connection \*

- Read file from FTP server into the pipeline for further processing
- Write the data from the pipeline into a file on an FTP server

\* Extra deliverables because of sponsor user feedback



# CMS Pipelines – SSL Support

May 2020

Upward compatible enhancements to

- **tcpclient** stage
- **tcpdata** stage

Possible Use Cases

- store CMS data in cloud databases
- post messages in a Slack channel
- manage CMS files with GitHub
- get data from Internet to use in CMS

| Component | APAR    | PTF              | RSU |
|-----------|---------|------------------|-----|
| CMS       | VM66365 | z/VM 7.1 UM35658 | TBD |

# RACF for z/VM 7.1 FixPack 1 – Usability Enhancements

*PTF for APAR VM66278*

| # | Description of the functional enhancement  |
|---|--|
| 1 | Query RACF Database Template Level<br>So sysprog or security admin can determine if a forthcoming APAR will require a database update or RACFCONV.   |
| 2 | Halt RACFVM initialization when server detects a down-level database<br>More immediate presentation of problem details, to enable sysprog to fix with minimum fuss                           |
| 3 | Remove contradictory information from RACFPERM<br>Correction to bring help text in line with functional behavior.  |
| 4 | Improve error messages when A-disk can't be written by RAC EXEC<br>Check A-disk accessibility before executing RACF commands, so an environment error isn't mistaken for a security problem. |
| 5 | Improve consistency of SETROPTS error messages<br>Addition of warning messages around invalid parameter use.   |
| 6 | Enable RACFVM to accept SMSG from the current system operator<br>Eliminate assumptions that OPERATOR is always the current OPERATOR  |
| 7 | Message fixes for ROAUDIT<br>Correction to bring certain RACF messages in-line with functional behavior.   |

# Multifactor Authentication for z/VM

May 2020

**Multifactor Authentication support** enables a system administrator to logon to the hypervisor with one or several authentication credentials without requiring a traditional password or password phrase

## Combination of:

- A newer product (IBM Z Multifactor Authentication) running in a Linux on Z guest
- z/VM with an External Security Manager updates
- TCP/IP communication from ESM to MFA (may require TLS server configuration)
- CP updates (apply the PTF for APAR VM66324)

<https://www.vm.ibm.com/newfunction/#mfa>

| Component | APAR    | PTF              | RSU |
|-----------|---------|------------------|-----|
| RACF      | VM66338 | z/VM 7.1 UV99363 | TBD |

# Multifactor Authentication for z/VM

Linux-based server which runs the MFA application (Linux on Z)

- SLES and RHEL supported; some crypto library requirements
- Web-based UI for administering users, factors, and policies

## **Out-of-band authentication factors** supported

- Present all credentials to a web browser interface
- Receive a "derived credential" (CTC) which is valid for **nn** minutes/hours for **mm** use(s)
- Type in credential on CP LOGON where you would have used a password/phrase
- In-band authentication factors (e.g. RACF passwords) not supported

Can run as a guest of z/VM, on KVM, or in its own LPAR

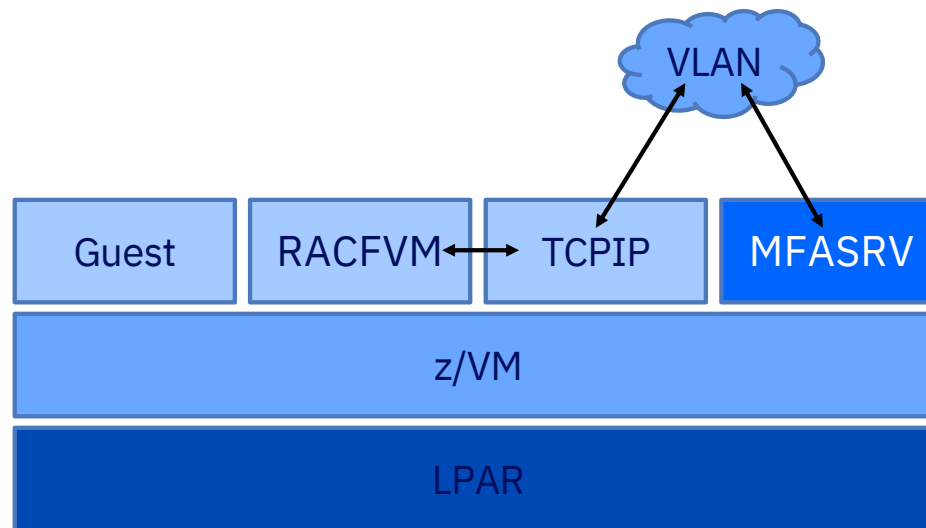
- Communicates over secure TCP/IP to your ESM

## **Policies are meant for human users**

- Automated virtual machines don't necessarily need passwords

# Where do I set up IBM Z MFA V2.1 on under z/VM?

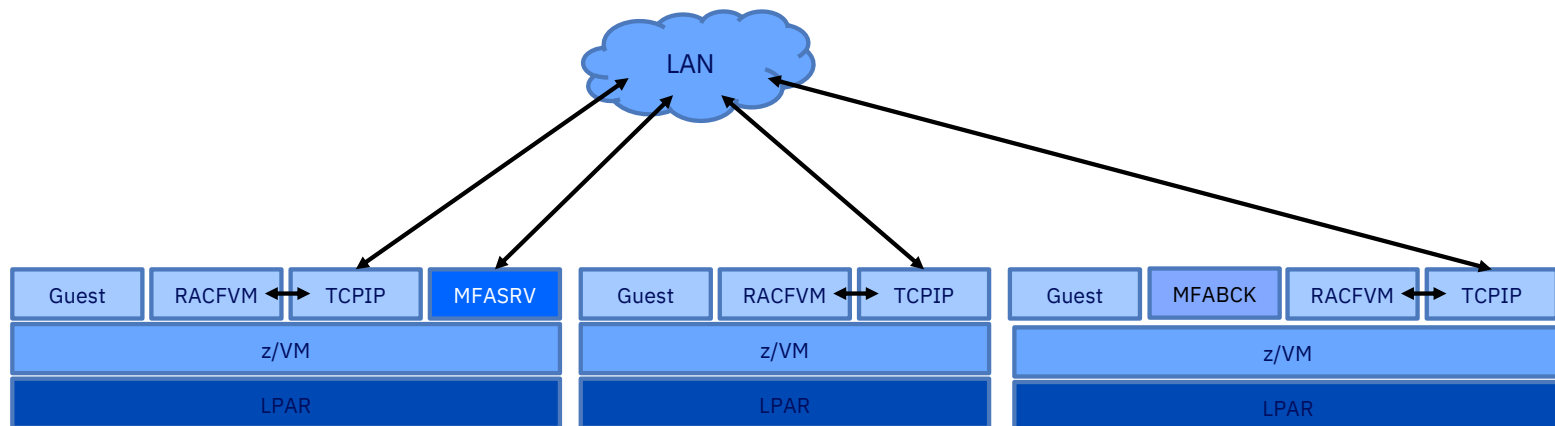
The constraint is "one ESM database to one MFA server."  
So you could do a single system...



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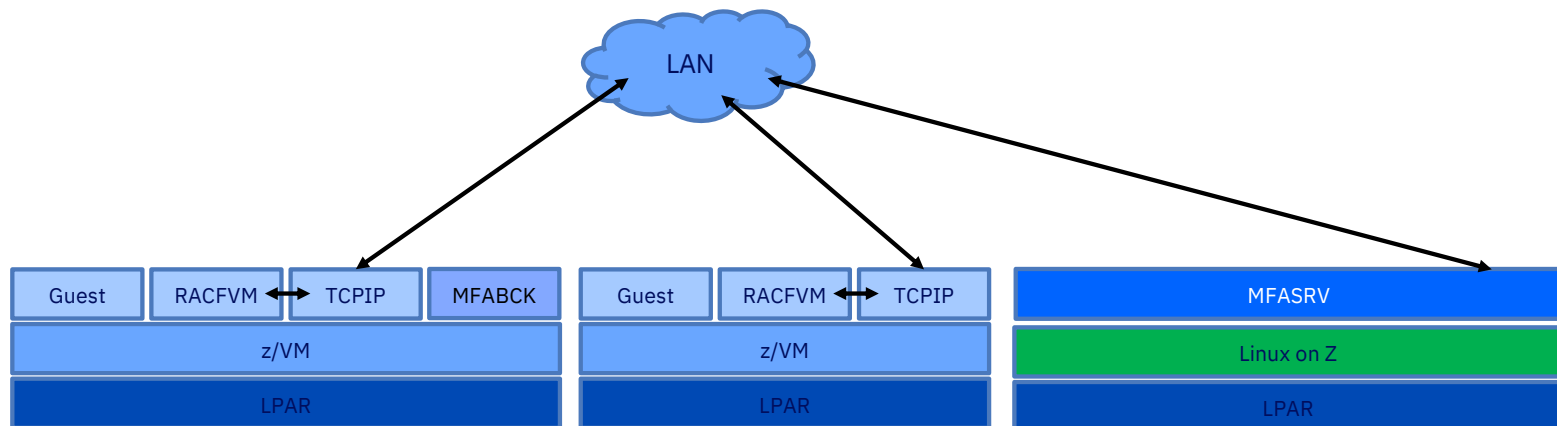
...or many systems\*. Since it runs as a Linux on Z guest, you could put the primary and back-up on different LPARs or CECs.

*\*Be careful in an SSI.*

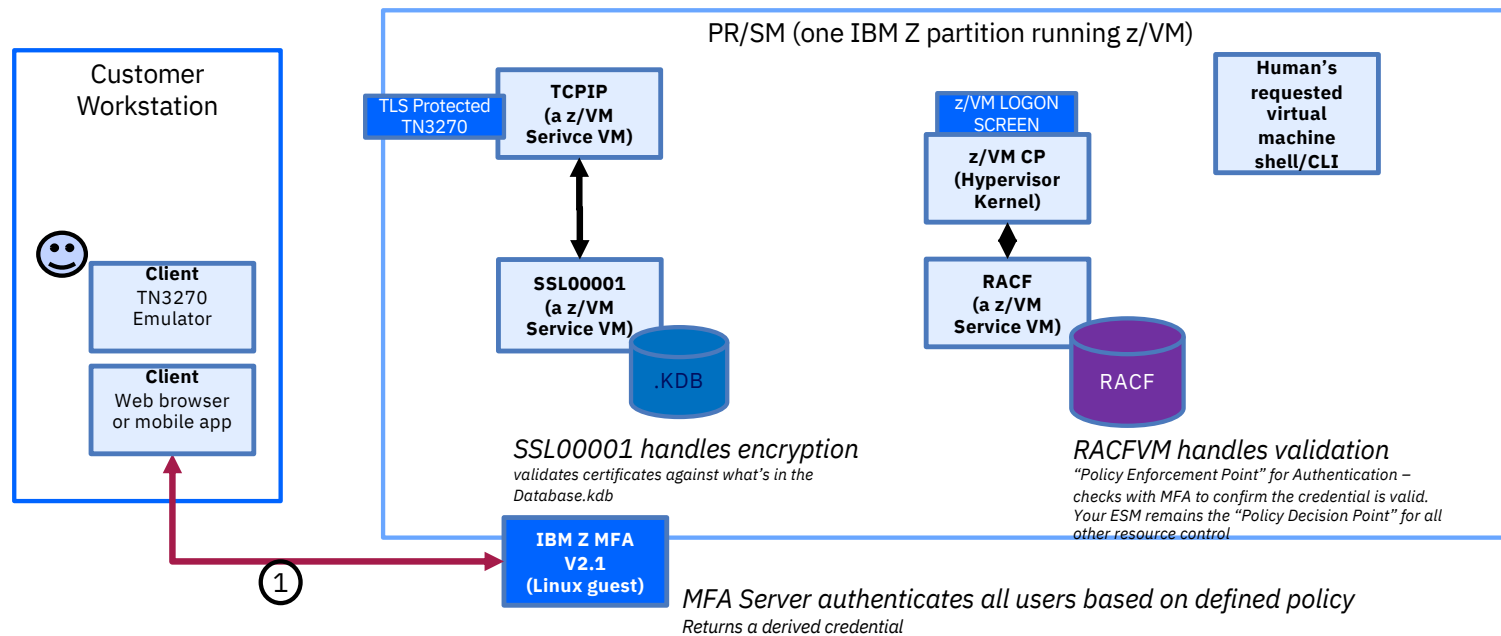


# Where do I set up IBM Z MFA V2.1 on under z/VM?

...since the requirement is Linux on Z, and communication is TCP/IP, you could even put the Linux guest in its own partition. Your ESM only cares about an IP address.

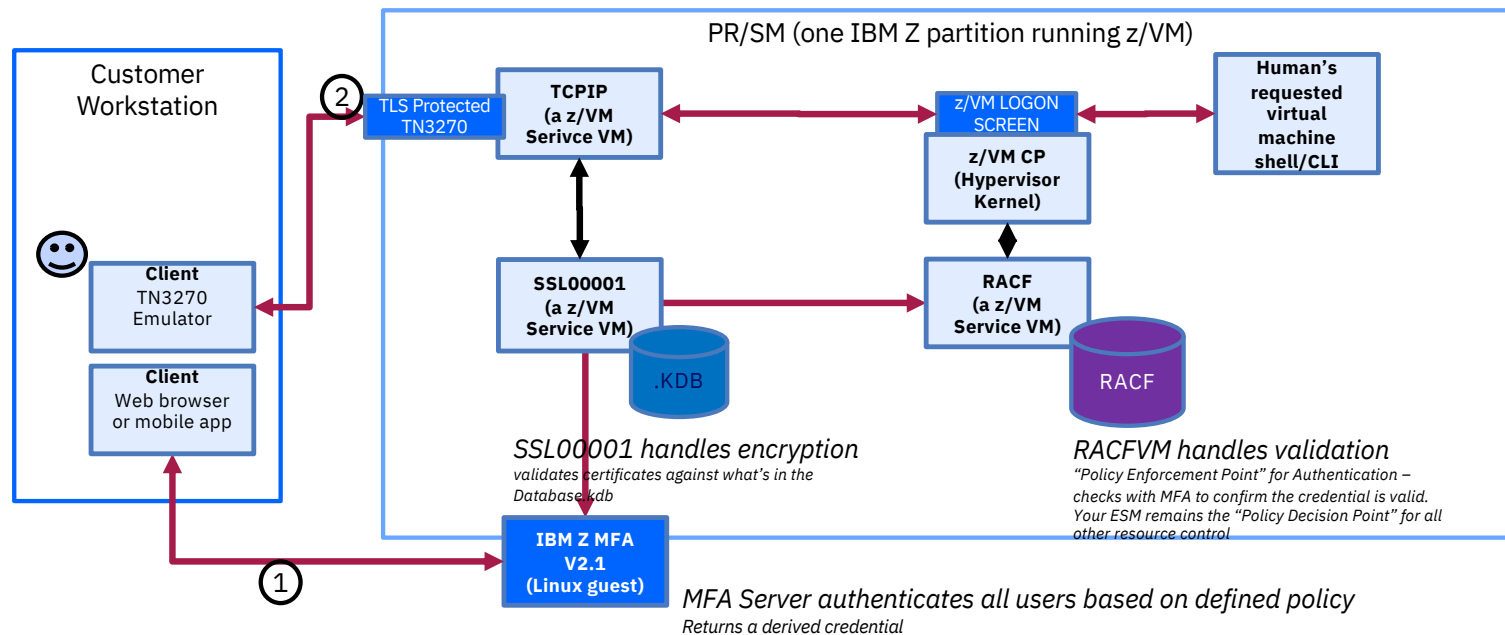


# Authentication Flow: z/VM with Multi-factor Authentication (1/2)





# Authentication Flow: z/VM with Multi-factor Authentication (2/2)



# IBM Z Multi-factor Authentication – Available 22 May 2020

<https://www.vm.ibm.com/newfunction/#mfa>

IBM Z Multi-factor Authentication V2.1 – a new priced product

- Order through ShopZ
- Yes, it'll say z/OS – don't panic. The Linux .iso will be available for download

For more information:

- “Preparing for Multi-Factor Authentication on z/VM” presentation (recorded live at the VM Workshop):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AFkOtgEZxAc>

| Component    | APAR  | PTF     | RSU |
|--------------|---|---------|-----|
| CP           | VM66324   | UM35569 | TBD |
| RACF         | VM66338   | UV99363 | TBD |
| CA VM:Secure | <b>CA VM:Secure 3.2</b> with the following required PTFs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SO11972 - CA VM:Secure 3.2 - RSU-2001 - Recommended Service</li><li>• SO12552 - ENH: Multifactor Authentication (MFA) support</li></ul> |         |     |

## Removal of RACF for z/VM support for RACF database sharing between z/VM and z/OS

April 14, 2020 Announcement

### Removal of RACF for z/VM support for RACF database sharing between z/VM and z/OS

z/VM V7.2 is intended to be the last z/VM release to support sharing RACF databases between z/VM and z/OS systems. While databases may remain compatible, sharing between operating systems is discouraged due to the distinct security and administration requirements of different platforms. A future z/VM release will be updated to detect whether a database is flagged as a z/OS database and reject its use if so marked. Sharing of databases between z/VM systems, whether in a Single System Image cluster or in stand-alone z/VM systems, is not affected by this statement.

*Yes, the databases will remain compatible.*

*Yes, the tools will still work against either.*

*Yes, z/OS has issued a corresponding Statement of Direction for z/OS Next.*

# Bringing it all together—securely

## *z/VM Security: Development Principles*

1

Meet and maintain **compliance** to industry security standards.

2

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

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Expand capabilities of the IBM Z stack to **secure modern workloads**.

## z/VM Security – What's Next?

**Continuous Delivery:** Projects as announced, with more to follow

- You can get involved! <https://www.vm.ibm.com/newfunction/>
- We'll continue to find ways to deliver meaningful function to you

We're currently working on:

- SMF Realtime Audit and SIEM support (with zSecure)
- Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP)
- Streamlined SSL Configuration
- Mixed APVIRT for LGR
- Finishing Common Criteria and FIPS validations



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The VM Council has a workgroup exploring security and cryptography pain points

- Is something missing? Is something more difficult than it needs to be?
- How can we help get your security work sorted faster

# For More Information...

- **z/VM New Function Page and Sponsor User Program:**  
<https://www.vm.ibm.com/newfunction>
- **z/VM Security Page:**  
<https://www.vm.ibm.com/security>
- **IBM Z Multi-factor Authentication for z/VM Manual (SC27-4938-40):**  
[https://www-01.ibm.com/servers/resource link/svc00100.nsf/pages/zMFAv210sc274938/\\$file/azfv100\\_v2r1.pdf](https://www-01.ibm.com/servers/resource link/svc00100.nsf/pages/zMFAv210sc274938/$file/azfv100_v2r1.pdf)
- **“Preparing for Multi-Factor Authentication on z/VM” presentation (recorded live at the VM Workshop):**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AFkOtgEZxAc>

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