

# Enterprise Authentication and Passwordless Security

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## World's Biggest Data Breaches & Hacks Selected events over 30,000 records

UPDATED: Jan 2021

size: records lost filter



https://www.informationisbeautiful.net/visualizations/worlds-biggest-data-breaches-hacks/

## Top 10 Breaches of 2020

- 10. Microsoft 250 million records
- 9. Wattpad 268 million records
- 8. Broadvoice 350 million records
- 7. Estée Lauder 440 million records
- 6. Sina Weibo 538 million records
- 5. Whisper 900 million records
- 4. BlueKai billions of records
- 3. Keepnet Labs 5 billion records
- 2. Advanced Info Service (AIS) 8.3 billion records
- 1. CAM4 10.88 billion records

Security Magazine: https://ibm.biz/BdfZpY

## zSecurity considerations

- Complacency
- Insider Threat Report CyberSecurity Insiders
- Does Zero Trust apply to the Mainframe?
- By Default, the mainframe is NOT the most secure platform
- The mainframe is your most securable platform!
- Just because you can still do something doesn't mean you should...
- GITHUB

## Protecting data at the core of the enterprise

## Encryption is the solid foundation of a layered cybersecurity strategy



#### **Relevant IBM Security Solutions:**

- Enterprise Key Management Foundation
- IBM Multi-Factor Authentication for z/OS
- IBM Security Identity Governance
- IBM Security Guardium Family
- IBM Security zSecure Suite
- IBM Security QRadar

## The State of Passwordless Security

#### Key Findings

- Passwordless MFA Secures Users and Reduces Costs
- User Experience and Security Are Interdependent
- Passwordless Solutions Reduce Complexity

#### Why is it Important

- Stop Credential Theft and Phishing
- User Experience
- Achieve Digital Experience
- Cost Savings

#### **Observations**

- Most 'Passwordless' Solutions Still Rely on Passwords
- Smartphones Lead the Way for Passwordless Adoption
- Remote Work is the #1 Use Case for Passwordless Adoption
- Ease of Use and Integration are Top Deciding Factors
- Password Managers

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## Why is a Multi-Factor Authentication solution needed?



## IBM Z is an increasingly desirable target

#### Today's technologies have eliminated "mainframe isolation"

Mainframes are increasingly closer to the Internet and mobile platforms and this has made them more vulnerable to outside threats.





#### PCI DSS v3.2

Note: This is a best practice until January 31, 2018, after which it became a requirement.

#### **DFS 23 NYCRR 500**

Note: Effective March 1, 2017, reporting required as of February 15, 2018

#### NIST SP 800-171

Note: This requirement is effective December 31, 2017.

Using multi-factor authentication on IBM Z is considered a security **Best Practice**.

## How are users authenticating without MFA?

#### Users authenticate with:

- Passwords
- Password phrases
- Digital Certificates
- via Kerberos

#### **Problems with passwords:**

- Common passwords
- Employees are selling their passwords
- Password reuse
- People write down passwords
- Malware
- Key log
- Password cracking



## History of Authentication

Year	Event		
1976	User identification/verification		
1981	Password processing support	Majority of mainframe environment are using 35+ year old technology t protect their critical assets!	
1984	DES password encryption option		
1994	DES as password default		
1999	PROTECTED user IDs		
2004	Password enveloping and LDAP change log support		
2005	Mixed case passwords and Detect or prevent password recycling		
2006	Password phrases from 14 to 100 characters in length		
2007	Password phrases from 9 to 13 characters in length		
2008	Password phrase exploitation and more granularity on password reset		
2013	RACF_ENCRYPTION_ALGORITHM health check (Rolled back)		
2014	KDFAES password support, Additional special characters, Password phrase only users		
2015	Elimination of the need for an ICHDEX01 exit to eliminate the RACF masking algorithm, ADDUSER will no longer assign a default password, RACLINK support of password phrase		
2016	Multi-factor Authentication		

## IBM Multi-Factor Authentication for Z

Higher assurance authentication for IBM Z systems that use RACF



IBM Multi-Factor Authentication on Z provides a way to raise the assurance level of Z, applications, and hosting environments by extending RACF to authenticate users with multiple factors. Fast, flexible, deeply integrated, easy to deploy, easy to manage, and easy to use

PCI-DSS Achieve regulatory compliance, reduce risk to critical applications and data

Architecture supports multiple third-party authentication systems at the same time

IBM Multi-Factor Authentication for Z (5655-MA1) IBM Multi-Factor Authentication for Z S&S (5655-MA2)

## What is multi-factor authentication?

#### SOMETHING THAT YOU KNOW

- Usernames and passwords

- PIN Code

#### **SOMETHING THAT YOU HAVE**

- ID Badge

- One time passwords
  - Time-based

#### SOMETHING THAT YOU ARE

- Biometrics





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## What works with IBM MFA?

IBM Z MFA supports a wide range of authentication systems!\*\*



RACF Password/Passphrase can be used in conjunction with all in-band authentication methods.



Disclaimer: Not everything above has been fully tested, but they *should* work, if not we will investigate.

\*\*Not an all-inclusive list

Password/Passphrase:



## **Target Personas for MFA**

## **Question:** Who should be covered with MFA? **Answer:** Everyone





- RACF's MFA support introduces extensions to a variety of components of RACF
  - User related commands
    - · Allow the provisioning and definition of the acceptable MFA tokens for a user
  - Extensions to authentication processing
    - Allows supported tokens to be used by any z/OS application
  - Extensions to SAF programming interfaces
    - Provides a new SAF service for IBM MFA allowing access to MFA data stored in the RACF database
  - Auditing extensions
    - · Tracks that MFA was used during the authentication process for a given user
  - Utilities
    - RACF Database unload non-sensitive fields added to the RACF database used by MFA processing
    - SMF Unload unloads additional relocate sections added to SMF records



## IBM Multi-Factor Authentication for Z

- MFA ISPF panels for configuration and management of authentication tokens
- MFA Web Interface
  - User Interface supports factors such as Smart Cards and serves as web interface for registration – depending on factor type
- MFA Manager Services
  - -Provides MFA main logic
  - -Register MFA Factor Data for a z/OS user
  - Validates a user provided factor against RACF MFA Data
  - Accesses MFA Data via SAF/RACF via callable services



## Architecture Review: Logging on with MFA credentials



#### Logon with RADIUS Token:

A) User logs on with User ID & Token

- B) RACF determines if the user is an MFA user & calls the IBM MFA
- C) IBM MFA calls RACF to retrieve user's MFA factor details
- D) IBM MFA validates the users authentication factors calls the Authentication Server, gets OK/Fail back
- E) RACF uses IBM MFA status to allow or deny the logon

## User Provisioning with RACF

Activate the MFADEF class:

#### SETR CLASSACT (MFADEF)

• MFADEF Class must be active for MFA authentication processing to occur

#### • Define the factor profile:

RDEFINE MFADEF FACTOR.AZFSIDP1

#### Add the factor to a RACF user:

ALU JOEUSER MFA (FACTOR (AZFSIDP1) ACTIVE TAGS (SIDUSERID: JOE1)

- Adds factor to the user
- Activates the factor JOEUSER is now required to authenticate to RACF with MFA credentials
- Adds a factor specific tag SIDUSERID Associates RSA SecurID user ID with z/OS user ID
- User is provisioned:
  - JOEUSER must now authenticate to RACF with an RSA SecurID token and PIN

## What if something doesn't work?

Some applications have authentication properties which can prevent MFA from working properly:

- Length of password field Some MFA credentials are longer than 8 characters
- Replaying of passwords MFA credentials are one time use

IBM MFA for z/OS was architected with this in mind and provides a variety of accommodation mechanisms.

- 1. Selective Application Exclusion
  - Exempting MFA processing for certain applications:
    - Allows a Security Administrator to mark certain applications as excluded from MFA
    - Allows a user to logon to that application using their non-MFA credentials
- 2. PassTicket Support
  - Allows the Security Administrator to indicate that an MFA user can authenticate with a PassTicket instead of an ACTIVE MFA factor. New special MFA PassTicket Factor
- 3. Out-of-Band Support
  - Allows users to authenticate with multiple factors directly to IBM MFA and receive a logon token
  - The pre-authentication logon tokens behavior can be customized as needed
    - Controls to allow tokens to be single use or re-useable and how long a token is valid

## **Session Managers**

#### Provides a nice single sign-on experience on the mainframe

- Session Manager needs to be configured to work with PassTickets
- User logs on to the Session Manager with MFA credentials
- Subsequent calls to other applications, Session Manager will generate a PassTicket to authenticate
- Requires an additional factor for the user: AZFPTKT1

NOTE: Session Manager must support PassTickets

## Example – User log in w/ IBM Verify and RACF password



S3/C

Ready (1)

- The IBM Verify token code (or other TOTP App)
- A colon (configurable separator character)
- Their RACF password / password phrase
- · All together in the password phrase field

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PA1 ==> Attention PA2 ==> Reshow

NUM

You may request specific help information by entering a '?' in any entry field

S13TCP03

192.168.55.113

## MFA for z/VM - Overview

#### Runs on Linux for Z

- "Bring your own Linux" with initial support for RHEL and SLES
- Installed using RPM
- Prereqs: postgres, pkcs#11, OpenSSL

#### Administered and configured separately from z/OS

- Web GUI, also scripts and command-line tools

#### End-user flow is out-of-band

- User obtains CTC from MFA, specifies CTC when logging on to RACF or VM:Secure



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It is strongly recommended that clients identify their requirements for IBM MFA through this channel.

In particular, please open RFEs for additional authentication tokens that are used in your shop that would provide value if supported by IBM MFA for z/OS.



Link: https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/rfe

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