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Extending user controlled security domain with the TPM/TCG

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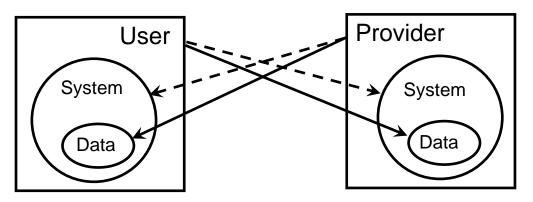
- Different sides of the Security and Trust
 - User and Service Provider vs System and Data
 - Secure Credentials Storage
- Trusted Computing Platform and Trusted Platform Module
- User controlled Virtual Workspace organisation
- Discussion Vision for use of this technology



Different sides of the Security and Trust

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- Modern paradigm of remote distributed services and digital content providing makes security and trust relations between User and Provider more complex
- User and Service Provider two actors concerned with own Data/Content security and each other System/Platform trustworthiness
- Two other aspects of security/trust
 - Data stored vs Data accessed/processed
 - System Idle vs Active (with User session)
- Think about real life analogy: Diplomatic/President's visit





Security in SOA Collaborative Environment – Use Cases

- Virtual Laboratory (VL) as Business Collaborative Environment
 - Implementing Utility Computing paradigm
 - Can a VL provider offer a trusted experiment environment from the competitor's point of view
 - Extreme usecase: Will Pepsi Company trust to do analysis on the Coca-Cola VL facility?
 - Common sense: Remote System can be trusted as much as the administrator can be trusted
- Content providers (music, movie)
 - Content played at the user PC/player should be protected from copying or useable during the service contract



Secure User Credential Storage

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- EGEE1 MJRA3.5 Deliverable "Secure Credential Storage" - https://edms.cern.ch/document/638872/
 - Overview and security analysis of available credential storage methods
 - Suggested pro-active and countermeasures against identified security threats
- Smartcard together with One-time Password (OTP) identified as a preferable solution
 - Provides also solution for User/AuthZ session credentials storage
 - But this solution again as much secure as the user client/portal can be secured



- Promoted by the Trusted Computing Group (TCG)
 - Basis for building and managing controlled secure environment for running applications and processing (protected) content
 - https://www.trustedcomputinggroup.org/home
 - Standards for trusted network, client, server and mobile agent
 - TMP software stack (TSS) defines API's for remote access, Identity Mngnt, PKI, Secure e-mail, file/folder encryption, etc.
- TCG components
 - Trusted Platform Module (TPM)
 - "Curtained memory" in the CPU
 - Security kernel in the OS and security kernel in each application
 - Back-end infrastructure of online security servers maintained by hardware and software vendors
- Trusted Network Connect (TNC) to enforce security policies before and after endpoints or clients connect to multi-vendor environment



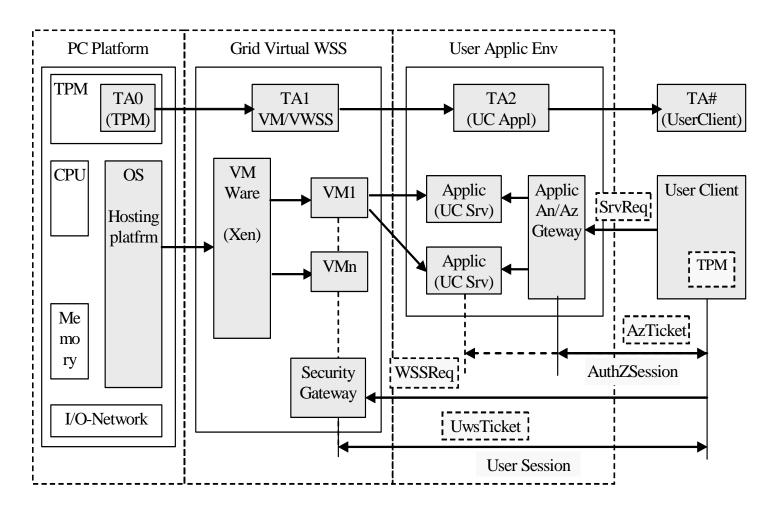
Trusted Platform Module (TPM)

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- Chip built-in into the computer system or a smartcard chip
 - Can be considered as a platform tied "root-of-trust" and used for trusted platform registration and integrity assurance
- Provides a number of hardware-based cryptographic functions
 - Asymmetric key functions for on-chip key pair generation using hardware random key generation; private key signatures; public key encryption and private key decryption
 - An Endorsement key that can be used by a platform owner to establish that identity keys were generated in a TPM, without disclosing its identity
 - Direct Dynamic Attestation (DAA) that securely communicates information about the static or dynamic platform configuration, which is internally stored in TPM in the form of hashed values
 - Monotonic counter and the tick counter to enable transaction timing and sequencing
 - Protection of communication between two TPM
 - Secure key/data backup to another TPM



User-controlled Virtual Workspace Service (VWSS-UC) - 3 layer model



- Trust Anchors: T0 (TPM) TA1 (VM/VWSS) TA2 (Appl) TA# (User)
- User and AuthZ Sessions



VWSS-UC – Implementation Suggestions

- TPM Enabled computer platform
 - http://www.tonymcfadden.net/tpmvendors.html
- Xen v3.0 has already so-called Virtual TPM module
 - http://www.cl.cam.ac.uk/Research/SRG/netos/xen/readmes/user
- Grid Virtual Workspace Service (VWSS) GT4 candidate component
 - http://workspace.globus.org/
- GAAA-AuthZ Authorisation session management supported by GAAAPI
 - Proprietary and SAML based AuthZ ticket formats



Discussion

What is the vision for use of this technology?

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