z/OS V2.5 IBM Education Assistant

Solution Name: ICSF RSA-PSS Performance enhancements

Solution Element(s): ICSF



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Trademarks

- See url http://www.ibm.com/legal/copytrade.shtml for a list of trademarks.
- Additional Trademarks:
 - None

Objectives

- Discuss new function enchantments
 - Performance benefits
 - Usage

Overview

- Who (Audience)
 - Users of PKCS#11 PSS functions using clear RSA keys
- What (Solution)
 - ICSF will offload Clear PKCS#11 RSA-PSS requests to an accelerator or CCA coprocessor if present
- Wow (Benefit / Value, Need Addressed)
 - Significant performance improvement over doing the equivalent function in software.

Usage & Invocation

PKCS#11 RSA-PSS function driven through CSFPOWH callable service

CSFPOWH rexx Sign example

```
OWH_Handle = Priv_Handle (Clear RSA Private key object)

OWH_Rule_Array = 'SHA-256 SIGN-PSS';

OWH_Rule_Count = '00000002'x;

OWH_Text = copies('FF'x,128);

OWH_Text_Length = D2C(Length(OWH_Text),44)

OWH_Chain_Length = '00000080'x;

OWH_Chain_Data = copies('00'x,c2d(OWH_Chain_Length));

OWH_Chain_Data = CKM_SHA256 || CKG_MGF1_SHA256 || '00000020'x

OWH_Hash_Length = '00000D26'x

OWH_Hash = copies('00'x,c2d(OWH_Hash_Length));
```

CSFPOWH rexx Verify example

```
OWH_Handle = Pub_Handle (Clear RSA Public key object)
OWH_Rule_Array = 'SHA-256 VER-PSS';
OWH_Rule_Count = '00000002'x;
OWH_Text = copies('FF'x,128);
OWH_Text_Length = D2C(Length(OWH_Text),44)
OWH_Chain_Length = '00000080'x;
OWH_Chain_Data =
copies('00'x,c2d(OWH_Chain_Length));
OWH_Chain_Data = CKM_SHA256 || CKG_MGF1_SHA256
|| '00000020'x
OWH_Hash_Length = '00000D26'x
OWH_Hash = copies('00'x,c2d(OWH_Hash_Length));
```

Interactions & Dependencies

- Software Dependencies
 - V2R5 (ICSF HCR77D2)
- Hardware Dependencies
 - CCA RSA-PSS support requires CCA 5.3 or later
- Exploiters
 - System SSL

Upgrade & Coexistence Considerations

• N/A

Installation & Configuration

• N/A

Summary

- No changes needed to CSFPOWH API to utilize HW offload for accelerators or CCA coprocs.
- ICSF will send request to accelerator first if available.
- If no accelerator present, ICSF will try the CCA coprocessor.
- If neither is available, request will be done in SW as done today.

Appendix

• PSS - Probabilistic signature scheme