Smartcard Jungle

Using security devices should be easy.

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Hands-up!

- How many of your friends use:
 - smartcards,
 - crypto sticks,
 - or one-time passwords (OTPs)?
- How many of your friends use credit cards with a chip?

Preliminary question

- Can you explain why:
 - so many people use credit cards?
 - And so few people use security devices?

Possible answers

- Denial: we don't need security devices.
- Patents: destroyed the market.
- Budgets and size: only large companies.

We may have to admit ...

Possible answers

 It should be possible to improve the integration and usability of security devices.

 This is one of the reason that we are all here in Brussels to discuss about security at FOSDEM.

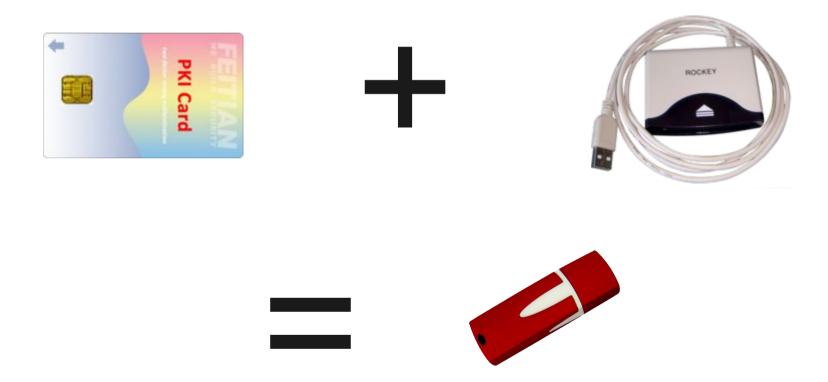
Plan

- Part 1: Hardware and standards.
- Part 2: Operating systems.
- Part 3: Applications.
- Conclusion: get a free smartcard.

Part 1

Hardware and standards

Smartcards and tokens



- Smartcards and tokens:
 - May preserve a secret (RSA key).
 - May compute secrets without displaying them.
 - Are inside your wallet (you know you have them).
 - May be destroyed if opened.
- Standards:
 - PCSC: smartcards.
 - PKCS#11: interface.
 - PKCS#15: information formats.

One-time password (OTP) generators.



- OATH (Open AuTHentication)
 - HOTP: event-base
 - RFC 4226
 - TOTP: time-based
 - RFC 4226 extension
- Several implementations.

Part 2

Operating Systems

Operating systems

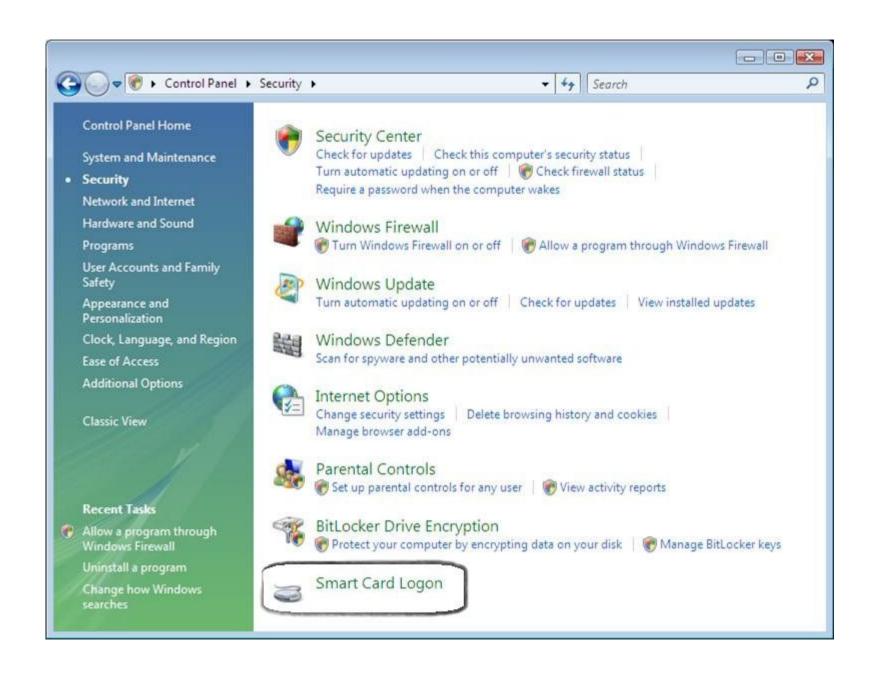
We will focus on libraries and take the example of single-sing-on using smartcards.

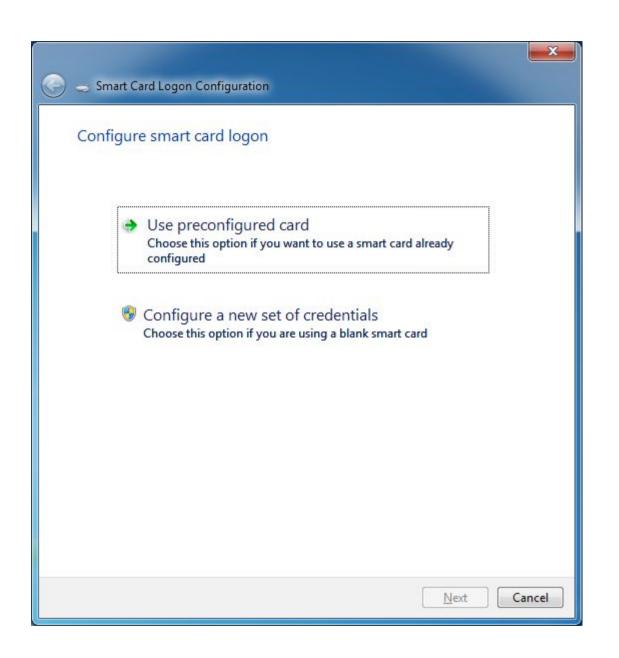
Windows Vista/7

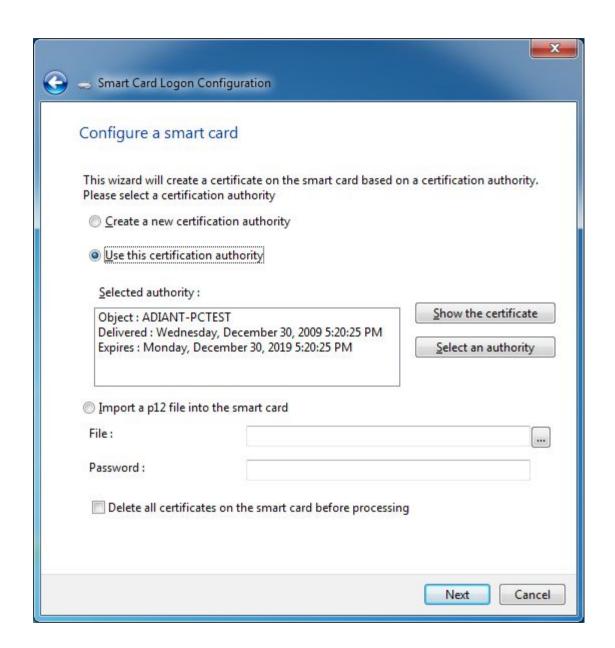
- One single API: WinScard
 - CSP + CAPI interfaces.
- No PKCS#11 direct interface
 - Each vendor provides a PKCS#11 interface.
 - OpenSC PKCS#11 is available.

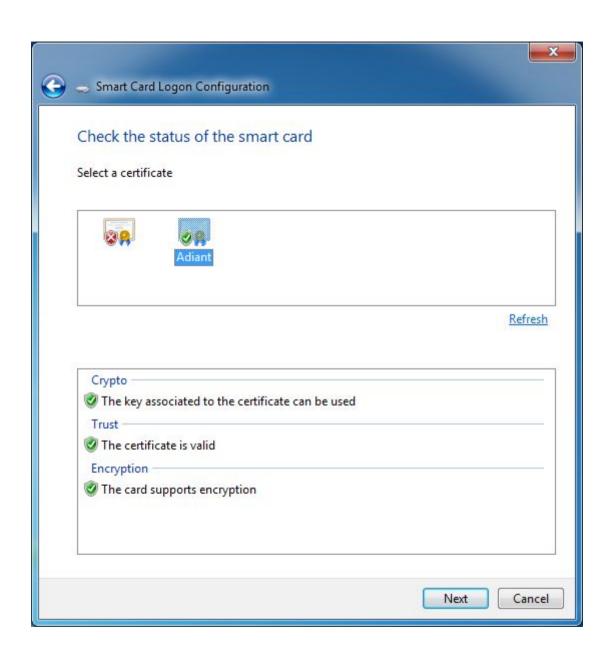
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- Smartcard logon can be implemented with Windows 2003 server + CSP interface.
 - => This kills the market for smartcards.
- You may use the free software alternative MySmartLogon.
 - => Excellent interface.











GNU/Linux and Unixes

- PCSC muscle framework:
 - CCID subsystem (standard).
- OpenSC
 - PKCS#11 library.
 - OpenSC utilities.

GNU/Linux and Unixes

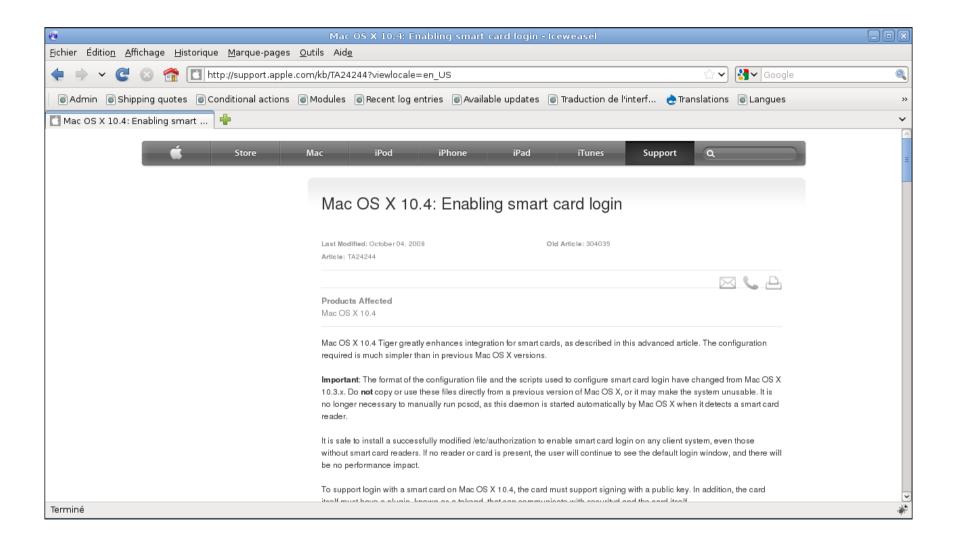
- Single-logon:
 - Pam-p11
 - SSH mapper.
 - Pam-pkcs11
 - LDAP, SSH, Kerberos mappers.
- No graphical interface for setting up single-logon

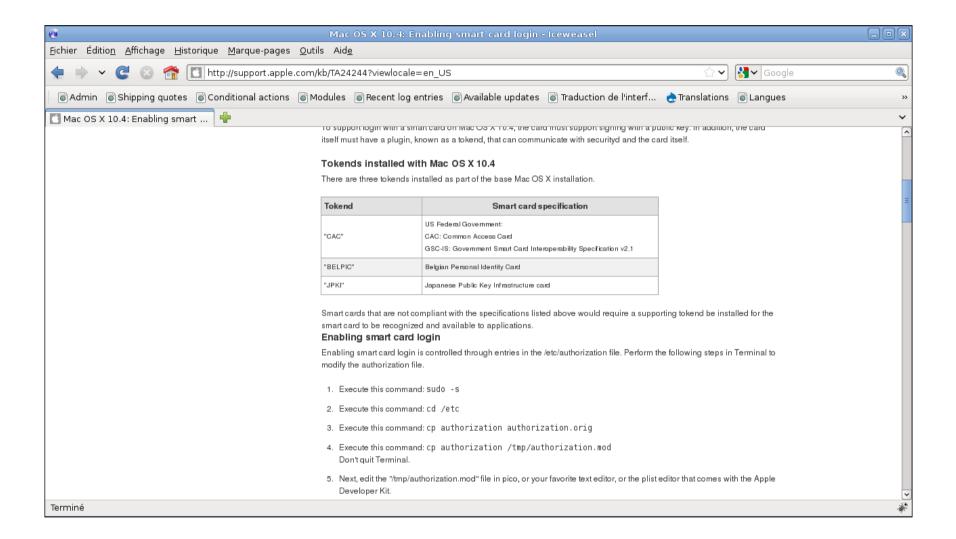
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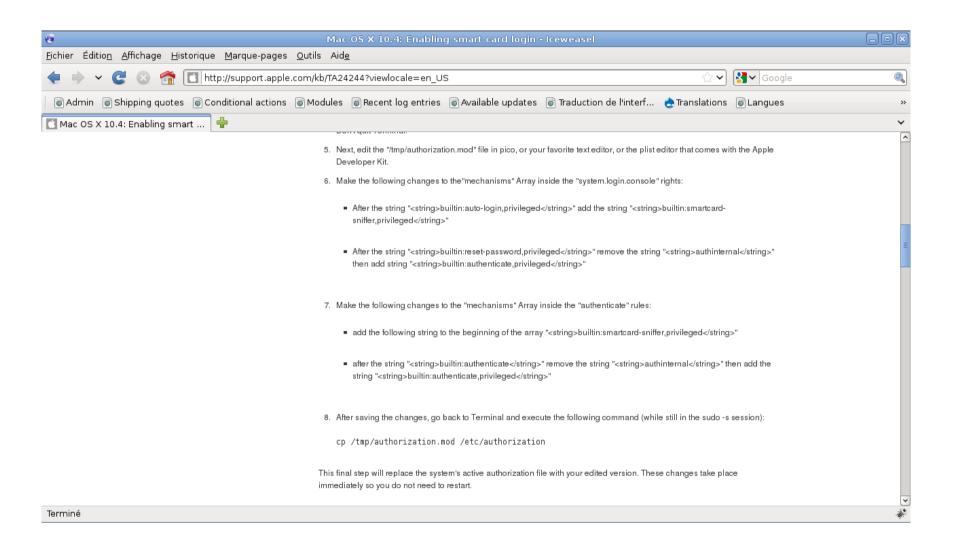
- PCSC muscle framework.
- Tokend framework.

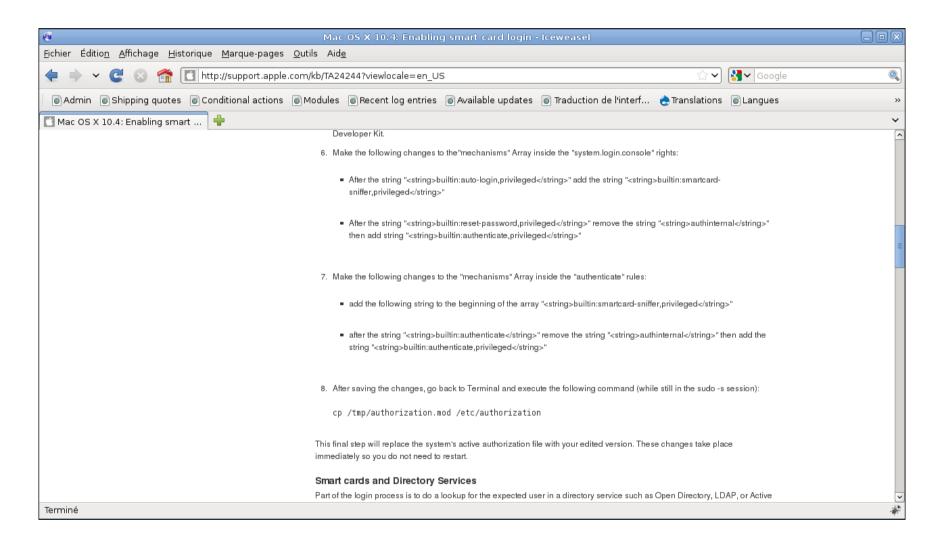
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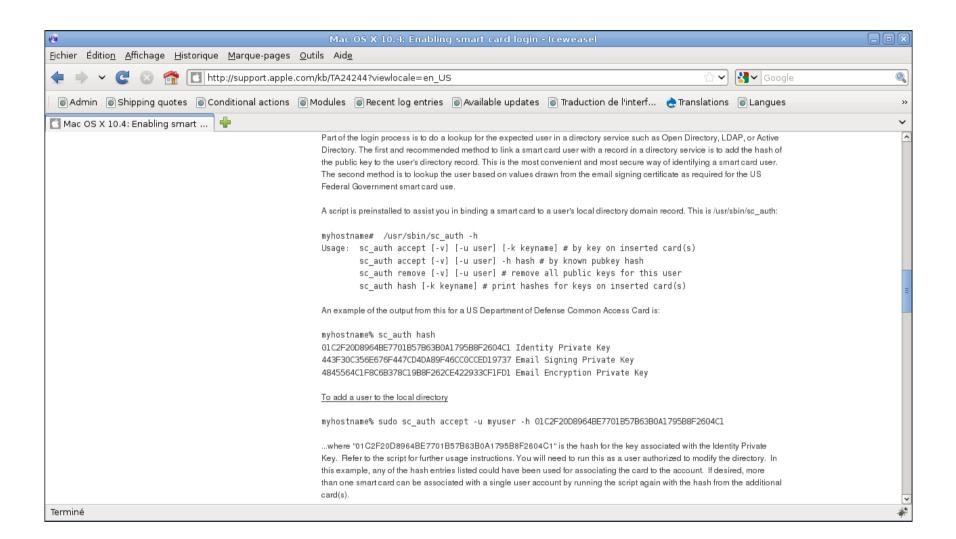
- Single log-on
 - Terrible to set-up using XML files.
 - A lot of people tried, very few succeded.











Mac OS X

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End of part 2

Single sign-on:

- Windows: buy Windows \$erver.
- •GNU/Linux: satisfactory, but not GUI.
 - Mac OS X: impossible to set-up.

As a result ... « peut-mieux faire ».

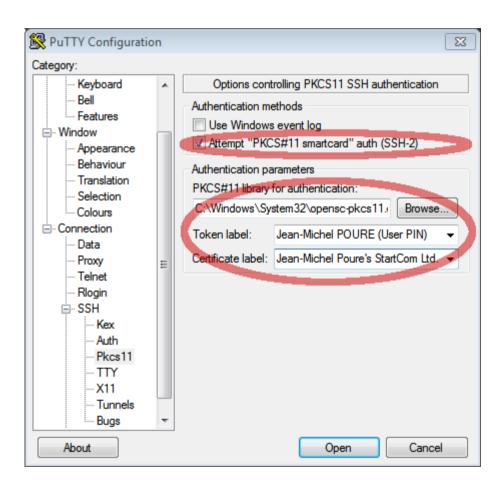
Part 3: applications

The rule:

Smartcard features are Always hidden and/or difficult to set up.

Here are a few examples:

Putty

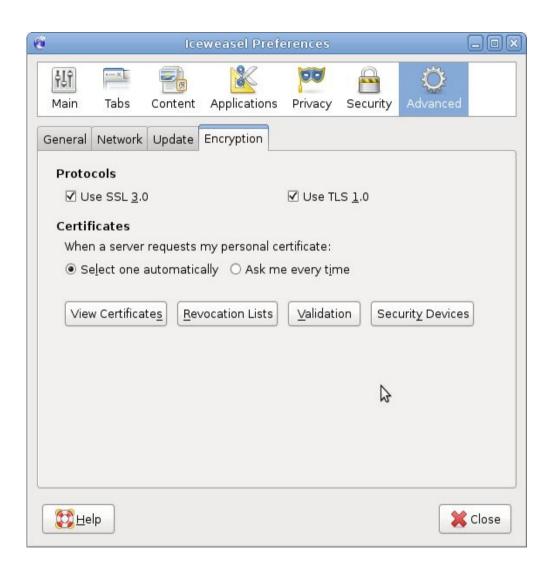


OpenSSH client

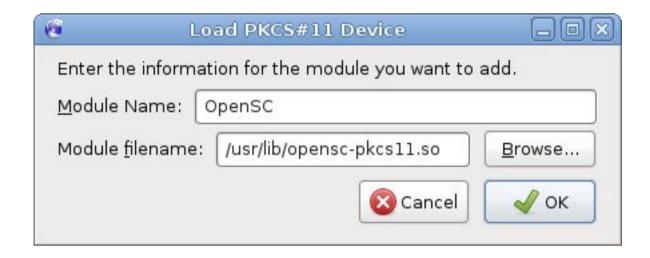
- Adding the key:
 - ssh-add -s /usr/lib/pkcs11.so to add
- Remove the key:
 - ssh-add -d /usr/lib/pkcs11.so to remove

Patches available since 2006. Never implemented using OpenSC. OpenSSH finally used its own PKCS#11 library. Implementation not complete.

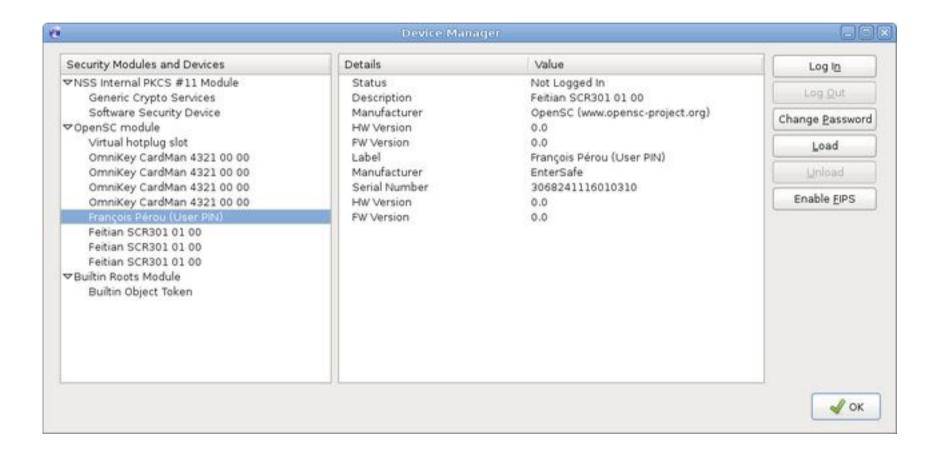
Firefox / Iceweasel



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Conclusion

- Muscle and OpenSC provide a complete solution. Soon available a new CSP driver for Windows. All this seems very exciting.
- Integration of frameworks in OS (logon) and applications is poor and can be enhanced.
- Credit cards are a success because you simply need to insert, enter PIN code and it works.
- Other conclusions will come during the day.

Get a free smartcard

And start contributing to OpenSC.