MLS PostgreSQL

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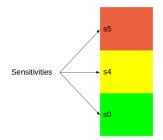


Agenda

- Introduction
 - 50,000 ft Perspective
- Solution Components
 - RLS
 - SELinux
 - sepgsql
- Configuration and Setup
 - Operating System
 - sepgsql
 - Database schema/DDL
- Results

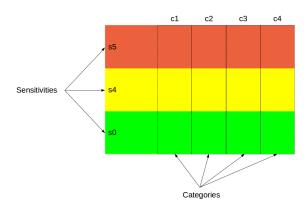


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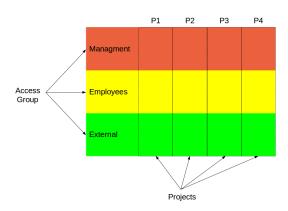
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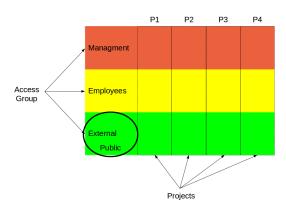




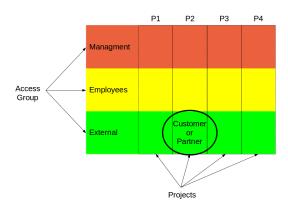




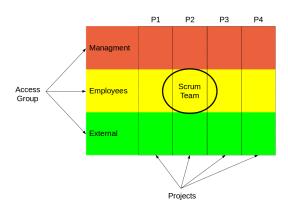




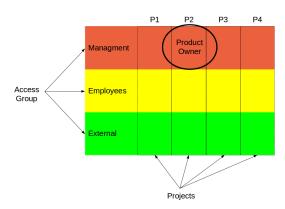














Client Operating Sys SELinux User s0-s6:c0-c1023



PostgeSQL Mapped SELinux User s0-s6:c0-c1023





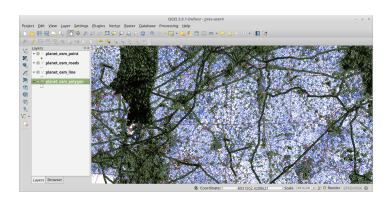








Demo





Business Case

- Why not just create separate database for each level?
 - Redundant hardware
 - Inhibits reporting and analysis
 - Data duplication
- What about filtering and enforcement by application?
 - Database provides integrity
 - RLS is transparent and performs well



Row Level Security

- New feature in PostgreSQL 9.5
- Enabled on per-table basis
- Enforced with POLICY
 - USING expression (old row)
 - WITH CHECK expression (new row)



Row Level Security - Typical Example

```
CREATE USER bob;
CREATE USER alice;

CREATE TABLE m1 (id int primary key, f1 text, app_user text);
INSERT INTO m1 VALUES(1,'a','bob');
INSERT INTO m1 VALUES(2,'b','alice');
ALTER TABLE m1 ENABLE ROW LEVEL SECURITY;
CREATE POLICY P ON m1 USING (app_user = current_user);
GRANT SELECT ON m1 TO public;
```



Row Level Security - Typical Example

```
SELECT * FROM m1:
 id | f1 | app_user
        l bob
 2 | b | alice
SET SESSION AUTHORIZATION bob:
SELECT * FROM m1;
 id | f1 | app_user
 1 la l bob
SET SESSION AUTHORIZATION alice;
SELECT * FROM m1;
 id | f1 | app_user
_____
 2 | b | alice
```





Security Enhanced Linux

- SELinux: Mandatory Access Control (MAC)
- Versus: Discretionary Access Control (DAC)
- Enforced in kernel space
- Managed via Reference Policy
 - Targeted Policy
 - MLS Policy
- Customized via Policy Modules

https://people.redhat.com/duffv/selinux/selinux-coloring-book A4-Stapled.pdf







MLS Reference Policy

- Based on Bell-LaPadula model
 - Read-down
 - Write-up
- Modified for Write-equals



Security Context

- o <user>:<role>:<domain>:<sensitivity>:<category>
 - <user> = SElinux user
 - <role> = SElinux role
 - <domain> = type
 - <sensitivity> = low to high, e.g. s0, s1, ...s15
 - <category> = compartmentalization label
- <level> = <sensitivity>:<category>
- Examples

```
dbs6_u:dbclient_r:dbclient_t:s0
system_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0-s15:c0.c1023
```



Security Access Decision

- Subject Context (PostgreSQL user)
- Object/Target Context (table, row, etc.)
- Permission (e.g. select, update, etc.)
- Type Enforcement
 - Subject type needs requested permission on object type
- MLS Enforcement
 - Subject Sensitivity (s0-s15) must dominate Object
 ⇒ e.g. s5 dominates s3
 - Subject Category (c0.c1023) must include Object category
 - \Rightarrow e.g. s5:c1.c5 does not include s3:c42



sepgsql Extension

- PostgreSQL supports SECURITY LABEL command
- Label Provider uses the label
- Security label used for SELinux Object context
- Customized with additional functionality
 - Mapping of database user to SELinux user
 - Subject context transition based on postgres user and network peer context
 - sepgsql_check_row_label()
 - sepgsql_create_row_label()



sepgsql_check_row_label(arg1 [, arg2])

- Object context: arg1 row security_label
- Subject context: client SELinux user+network
- Permission Type: default select, otherwise arg2:
 - select, insert, update, delete
 - relabelfrom, relabelto
- Access decision: SELinux



sepgsql_check_row_label(arg1 [, arg2])



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```
select sepgsql_getcon();
           sepgsql_getcon
 dbs5 u:dbclient r:dbclient t:s5:c1
SELECT
 sepgsql_check_row_label
 ('system_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0', 'delete') as s0del,
 sepgsql_check_row_label
 ('system_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s5','delete') as s5del,
 sepgsql_check_row_label
 ('system_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s5:c1','delete') as s5c1del;
 s0del | s5del | s5c1del
```



sepgsql_create_row_label(table_oid)

- Object context: Table security label
- Subject context: client SELinux user+network
- Derives security_label context, typically used for a row

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION get_table_label(tableoid oid)
RETURNS text AS $$
 SELECT label FROM pg_seclabels WHERE objoid = tableoid
 AND objtype = 'table'
$$ LANGUAGE sql;
١x
SELECT get_table_label('m1'::regclass) AS tcontext,
 sepgsql_getcon() AS scontext,
 sepgsql_create_row_label('m1'::regclass) AS security_label;
-[ RECORD 1 ]--+---
tcontext
              | system_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0-s15:c0.c1023
              | dbs5_u:dbclient_r:dbclient_t:s5:c1
scontext
security_label | dbs5_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s5:c1
```

Operating System and Networking

- Red Hat or CentOS 7.2
- With additional SElinux packages
- Network Interfaces
 - Admin subnet and subnet per security level
 - Or use Labeled IPSec
- Routes
- netlabel
- sshd
- firewalld





SELinux - Configuration

- Install custom policy modules
- Create SELinux users
- Build, configure, and install custom sepgsql
- Map database users to SELinux users



SELinux Roles and Mapping

SELinux	Role	PG Roles	Permissions
Role	Type		
dbadm_r	OS	Cluster	Admin DB at OS level
		Owner	
dbsec_r	OS,	Sec Admin	Edit security-related files,
	PgSQL		relabel DB objects
dbsu₋r	PgSQL	Superuser	Manage objects within DB
dbstaff_r	PgSQL	Staff User	Perform admin tasks
dbclient_r	PgSQL	Client	CRUD operations
dbguest_r	PgSQL	Client	Read-only operations



PostgreSQL - Custom Module

- Build and Configure custom sepgsql
- Adjust some normal PostgreSQL configuration too

```
cd /opt/src/mls/crunchy-selinux-pgsql
USE_PGXS=1 make
USE_PGXS=1 make install

cat >> /var/lib/pgsql/9.5/data/postgresql.conf << \EOF
listen_addresses = '*'
row_security = on
shared_preload_libraries = 'crunchy-selinux-pgsql'

sepgsql.enable_user_transition = on
sepgsql.default_selinux_user = 'dbguest_u'
sepgsql.force_rls = on
EOF</pre>
```



Table Definition

```
CREATE TABLE m1 (
   a int,
   b text,
   security_label text DEFAULT
   sepgsql_create_row_label('m1'::regclass::oid)
);
-- Grant permissions to table
GRANT ALL ON TABLE m1 TO user1, user2, user3, user4;
-- Enable Row Level Security on table.
ALTER TABLE m1 ENABLE ROW LEVEL SECURITY;
```



Table Definition

```
-- Create Row Level MLS policies.

CREATE POLICY mls_select ON m1 FOR SELECT

USING (sepgsql_check_row_label(security_label));

CREATE POLICY mls_insert ON m1 FOR INSERT WITH CHECK

(sepgsql_create_row_label('m1'::regclass::oid) = security_label);

CREATE POLICY mls_update ON m1 FOR UPDATE

USING (sepgsql_check_row_label(security_label))

WITH CHECK (sepgsql_check_row_label(security_label,'update'));

CREATE POLICY mls_delete ON m1 FOR DELETE

USING (sepgsql_check_row_label(security_label,'delete'));
```



User Level Versus Subnet Level

```
# s0 user. s4 subnet
psql -h 192.168.6.119 -p 5432 -U user1 mls
Password for user user1:
psql: FATAL: SELinux: unable to get default context
              for user: user1 (dbs0_u)
# s0 user. s0 subnet
psql -qAt -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user1 mls \
 -c "select sepgsql_getcon()"
Password for user user1:
dbs0_u:dbclient_r:dbclient_t:s0
# s6 user, s0 subnet
psql -qAt -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user4 mls \
 -c "select sepgsql_getcon()"
Password for user user4:
dbs6 u:dbclient r:dbclient t:s0
```



SELECT on s0 Subnet

```
# s0 user. s0 subnet
psql -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user1 mls \
 -c "select * from m1"
Password for user user1:
 albl
                 security_label
1 | a | system_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0
(1 row)
# s6 user, s0 subnet
psql -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user4 mls \
 -c "select * from m1"
Password for user user4:
         security_label
 1 | a | system_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0
(1 row)
```



user4 SELECT on s6 Subnet



INSERT on s0 Subnet

```
# s0 user. s0 subnet
psql -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user1 mls \
 -c "insert into m1(a,b) values (11,'a1') returning *"
Password for user user1:
                     security_label
 11 | a1 | dbs0_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0
(1 row)
# s6 user, s0 subnet
psql -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user4 mls \
 -c "insert into m1(a,b) values (41,'a1') returning *"
Password for user user4:
                     security_label
41 | a1 | dbs6_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0
(1 row)
```



INSERT on s6 Subnet



UPDATE on s0 Subnet

```
# s0 user. s0 subnet. s0 row
psql -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user1 mls \
 -c "update m1 set b = 'a1a' where a = 11 returning *"
Password for user user1:
                    security_label
 11 | a1a | dbs0_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0
(1 row)
# s6 user, s0 subnet, s0 row
psql -h 192.168.5.119 -p 5432 -U user4 mls \
 -c "update m1 set b = 'd1d' where a = 41 returning *"
Password for user user4:
            security_label
41 | d1d | dbs6_u:object_r:sepgsql_table_t:s0
(1 row)
```



UPDATE on s6 Subnet

Performance Testing

- Compare t1 (RLS/MLS), r1 (Simple RLS), u1 (no RLS)
- 10 million rows per table
- 4 levels, 25% each
- INSERT test
- SELECT one row
- SELECT 50,000 rows



Performance - INSERT

```
WITH s(c) AS -- RLS/MLS case
(SELECT sepgsql_create_row_label('t1'::regclass::oid))
INSERT INTO t1 SELECT g.i, g.i::text, s.c
FROM generate_series(1, 10000000, 4) as g(i), s;
--Total Time: 22,268.697 ms
WITH s(c) AS -- RLS case
(SELECT sepgsql_create_row_label('r1'::regclass::oid))
INSERT INTO r1 SELECT g.i, g.i::text, s.c
FROM generate_series(1, 10000000, 4) as g(i), s;
--Total Time: 20,309.843 ms
WITH s(c) AS -- no RLS case
(SELECT sepgsql_create_row_label('u1'::regclass::oid))
INSERT INTO u1 SELECT g.i, g.i::text, s.c
FROM generate_series(1, 10000000, 4) as g(i), s;
--Total Time: 27,228.559 ms
```



Performance - SELECT

```
-- SELECT 1 row
SELECT * FROM t1 WHERE a = 40:
-- Avg Time (10 runs): 0.7895 ms
SELECT * FROM r1 WHERE a = 40:
-- Avg Time (10 runs): 0.6829 ms
SELECT * FROM u1 WHERE a = 40:
-- Avg Time (10 runs): 0.5587 ms
-- SELECT 50k rows
SELECT count(1) FROM t1 WHERE a >= 0 AND a <= 200000:
-- Avg Time (10 runs): 81.0375 ms
SELECT count(1) FROM r1 WHERE a >= 0 AND a <= 200000;
-- Avg Time (10 runs): 46.0586 ms
SELECT count(1) FROM u1 WHERE a >= 0 AND a <= 200000 AND a % 4 = 0;
-- Avg Time (10 runs): 55.9427 ms
```



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Questions?

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