

QuickStart Guide

PKCS#11 (R2) Linux



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1 Introduction

PKCS#11 is the standard used to define a programming interface for security tokens such as smart-cards or hardware security modules. From the PKCS#11 viewpoint, a security token is a device that stores objects and can perform cryptographic functions. These objects may be keys or certificates. In addition, the objects can each have different attributes which not only define how you handle them but may also limit the areas in which they can be used.

This quick start guide describes how to install, configure and use PKCS#11 (R2) with the SafeGuard CryptoServer.

2 PKCS#11

This chapter describes the installation, configuration and the usage of PKCS#11 and it is divided into three further sections. The first describes the installation of the necessary files followed by the adjustment of the configuration files and finally howto use PKCS#11 basically. By means of examples finally it is shown how PKCS#11 can be put into operation.

2.1 Setup

The PKCS#11 applications, libraries, and configuration data is manually copied from the product CD to your operating system installation. The installation paths are based on standard installation locations of Linux. Deviations from the suggested installation locations are possible and for appropriate information on other options it is referred to *CryptoServer PKCS#11 Interface* [1]. Follow these steps to copy necessary files to your operating system:

- 1. Copy the libcs2_pkcs11.so library file to /usr/lib.
- 2. Copy the cs2_pkcs11.ini configuration file to /etc/utimaco.
- 3. Copy p11tool to /usr/bin.

You can find the previous mentioned files on the product CD in path $Software \Linux \[x86-32\] x86-64\] \Crypto \APIs \PKCS$ Choose the correct architecture for the libraries and p11tool application which fits best for your operating system, either x86-32 or x86-64. If you are uncertain about the architecture of your operating system, the next Linux command might help to determine this information:

uname -a

The result of this command will look similar to the next output. The output illustrates a $x86_64$ architecture.

Linux nexus 2.6.35-32-server #64-Ubuntu SMP Tue Jan 3 02:11:24 UTC 2012 x86 64 GNU/Linux

It is recommend to use the same paths mentioned before as they are used in all documents addressing PKCS#11 environments. Make sure that the *p11tool* application has the right file permission to be executed before proceeding with the adjustment of the configuration file.

chmod u+x /usr/bin/p11tool

2.2 Configuration

The PKCS#11 library requires an environment variable CS2_PKCS11_INI which refers to a necessary configuration file cs2_pkcs11.ini. There are two options available to setup an environment variable:

· Create a temporarily environment variable

```
# export CS2_PKCS11_INI=/etc/utimaco/cs2_pkcs11.ini
```

Create a permanent environment variable
 Add a variable to the end of a users profile .bashrc file. This will permanently add the environment variable to each new bash shell the user opens.

export CS2_PKCS11_INI=/etc/utimaco/cs2_pkcs11.ini

A simple cs2_pkcs11.ini looks like shown in listing 1. Adjust the device specifier parameter <device> according to your SafeGuard CryptoServer device you are going to use. A typical SafeGuard CryptoServer device specifier is an ip address or Linux device (e.g. /dev/cs2). For more information to a SafeGuard CryptoServer device specifier it is referred to SafeGuard CryptoServer - Administration Guide for CSADM [2].

Listing 1: cs2_pkcs11.ini

[Global]

Timeout = 5000

```
Logging = 0
```

Logpath = /tmp

[CryptoServer]

Device = <device>

Timeout = 600000

AppTimeout = 1800

SlotCount = 5

To check whether your adjustments are correct and the configuration is valid, use the next *p11tool* command to check this:

p11tool listslots

If the configuration file is valid, p11tool shows a listing of available PKCS#11 slots.

0: 00000000

1: 0000001

2: 00000002

3: 00000003

4: 00000004

Listing 2: ListSlots

Otherwise you will retrieve an error message. Double check in this case your configuration settings and execute the previous command again.

2.3 Basic Usage

This chapter shows some useful *p11tool* commands you typically use to initialize a PKCS#11 and retrieve some information about the PKCS#11 token, slot and objects.

2.3.1 Slot Initialization

Before including a PKCS#11 slot into your application you to need to initialize it. The initialization makes the slot ready to be used as key container and PKCS#11 cryptography interface.

```
# p11tool slot=<slotno> Label=<label_name> InitToken=<so_pin>
```

```
# p11tool slot=<slotno> LoginS0=<so_pin> InitPin=<user_pin>
```

The parameter *Label* is optional but sometimes useful because your application may rely on this identifier to find the right slot. Pin's should have a minimum length of four and can be of alphanumeric. The next example illustrates the initialization of slot zero which is found in lots of typical applications integration.

```
# p11tool slot=0 Label=Utimaco InitToken=12345678
```

```
# p11tool slot=0 LoginS0=12345678 InitPin=87654321
```

2.3.2 List Slots

This example shows how to list the available PKCS#11 slots. It does not show which PKCS#11 slot has been already initialized.

p11tool ListSlots

0: 00000000

1: 00000001

2: 00000002

3: 00000003

4: 00000004

Listing 3: ListSlots

2.3.3 Show Token Information

To retrieve some more information about the PKCS#11 token the *GetTokenInfo* command can be used for this.

p11tool GetTokenInfo

TokenInfo:

```
label 43727970 746f5365 72766572 20504b43 | CryptoServer PKC | 53313120 546f6b65 6e202020 20202020 | S11 Token | manufacturerID 5574696d 61636f20 53616665 77617265 | Utimaco Safeware | 20414720 20202020 20202020 | AG | model 43727970 746f5365 72766572 20202020 | CryptoServer | serialNumber 53653130 30302020 43533431 31393237 | Se1000 CS411927 |
```

flags : 0x0000064d

```
random number generator : yes
write protected : no
login required
                       : yes
user pin initialized
                       : yes
restore key not needed : no
protected auth. path
                       : yes
                       : no
dual crypto operations : yes
token initialized
                   : yes
user pin locked : no
user pin to be changed : no
SO pin count low
                       : no
SO pin final try
SO pin locked
                       : no
                       : no
SO pin to be changed
                       : no
Max Session Count
                      : 256
                       : 0
Sessions Open
RW Sessions Count
                       : 0
```

Listing 4: GetTokenInfo

2.3.4 Show Slot Information

The command *GetSlotInfo* displays the information about a specific PKCS#11 slot. Sometimes this is useful to get the current label of the token.

```
# p11tool slot=<slotno> GetSlotInfo
```

The following example retrieves detailed slot information from the PKCS#11 slot zero.

p11tool slot=0 GetSlotInfo

```
______
SlotID: 0x00000000
 slotDescription 43727970 746f5365 72766572 20446576 |CryptoServer Dev|
                69636520 2731302e 31372e34 2e313130 |ice '10.17.4.110|
                 27202d20 536c6f74 204e6f3a 20302020 | ' - Slot No: 0 20202020 20202020 20202020 20202020 |
  manufacturerID 5574696d 61636f20 53616665 77617265 |Utimaco Safeware|
                20414720 20202020 20202020 20202020 AG
flags
                           : 0x00000005
  present
removable
hardware
 present
                          : yes
                           : no
 hardware
                          : yes
hardwareVersion firmwareVersion
                         : 0.0
firmwareVersion
                           : 1.1
```

Listing 5: GetSlotInfo

2.3.5 Help Information

For further usage and context help information the help command of the p11tool can be used.

p11tool help @(#) p11tool - CryptoServer PKCS11 Adapter Administration Tool Version 1.4.6 Valid commands are: Parameter: Password= Dev= Device= Lib= Slot= Label= Timeout= =bT Subject= Basic Commands: Help Help= PrintError= Version PKCS#11 Commands: GetSlotInfo ListSlots InitToken= GetTokenInfo TnitPin= LoginSO= SetPin= Login= ListObjects DeleteObject ImportP12= ImportCert= ExportCert= ExportCert GenKey= Backup / Restore Commands: AuthSHA1Pwd= AuthRSASign= BackupSlot= RestoreSlot= DeleteSlot Configuration Commands:

Use p11tool help=<command> to get further help

ConfigSet=

Listing 6: Help

Specific information to a p11tool command can be retrieved using the help command like this:

p11tool help=<p11tool command>

For example:

ConfigGet=

p11tool help=GetSlotInfo

Get Slot Information

Syntax:

[Slot=<number>] GetSlotInfo

3 PKCS#11 R2

This chapter describes the installation, configuration and the usage of PKCS#11 R2 and it is divided into three further sections. The first describes the installation of the necessary files followed by the adjustment of the configuration files and finally howto use PKCS#11 R2 basically. By means of examples finally it is shown how PKCS#11 R2 can be put into operation.

3.1 Setup

The PKCS#11 R2 applications, libraries, and configuration data is manually copied from the product CD to your operating system installation. The installation paths are based on standard installation locations of Linux. Deviations from the suggested installation locations are possible and for appropriate information on other options it is referred to *SafeGuard CryptoServer - PKCS#11 (R2) Development Guide* [4]. Follow these steps to copy necessary files to your operating system:

- 1. Copy the libcs_pkcs11_R2.so library file to /usr/lib.
- 2. Copy the cs_pkcs11_R2.cfg configuration file to /etc/utimaco.
- 3. Copy p11tool2 to /usr/bin.

You can find the previous mentioned files on the product CD in path *Software\Linux\[x86-32\]x86-64*]\Crypto\APIs\PKCSC Choose the correct architecture for the libraries and *p11tool2* application which fits best for your operating system, either *x86-32* or *x86-64* If you are uncertain about the architecture of your operating system, the next Linux command might help to determine this information:

uname -a

The result of this command will look similar to the next output. The output illustrates a *x86_64* architecture.

Linux nexus 2.6.35-32-server #64-Ubuntu SMP Tue Jan 3 02:11:24 UTC 2012 x86_64 GNU/Linux

It is recommend to use the same paths mentioned before as they are used in all documents addressing PKCS#11 R2 environments. Make sure that the *p11tool2* application has the right file permission to be executed before proceeding with the adjustment of the configuration file.

chmod u+x /usr/bin/p11tool2

3.2 Configuration

The PKCS#11 R2 library requires an environment variable CS_PKCS11_R2_CFG which refers to a necessary configuration file *cs_pkcs11_R2.cfg*. There are two options available to setup an environment variable:

· Create a temporarily environment variable

```
# export CS_PKCS11_R2_CFG=/etc/utimaco/cs_pkcs11_R2.cfg
```

Create a permanent environment variable
 Add a variable to the end of a users profile .bashrc file. This will permanently add the environment variable to each new bash shell the user opens.

```
export CS_PKCS11_R2_CFG=/etc/utimaco/cs_pkcs11_R2.cfg
```

A simple *cs_pkcs11_R2.cfg* looks like shown in listing 7. Adjust the device specifier parameter <de-vice> according to your SafeGuard CryptoServer device you are going to use. A typical SafeGuard CryptoServer device specifier is an ip address or Linux device (e.g. /dev/cs2). For more information to a SafeGuard CryptoServer device specifier it is referred to *SafeGuard CryptoServer - Administration Guide for CSADM* [2].

Listing 7: cs_pkcs11_R2.cfg

```
[Global]
# Path to the logfile (name of logfile is attached by the API)
Logpath = /tmp

# Loglevel (0 = NONE; 1 = ERROR; 2 = WARNING; 3 = INFO; 4 = TRACE)
Logging = 0

# Maximum size of the logfile in bytes (file is rotated with an # backupfile if full)
Logsize = 1000000

# Created/Generated keys are stored in an external or internal # database
KeysExternal = false

# If true, every session establishs its own connection
SlotMultiSession = false
```

Maximum number of slots that can be used

```
SlotCount = 5
# If true, leading zeroes of decryption operations will be keep
KeepLeadZeros = false
# Prevents expiring session after inactivity of 15 minutes
KeepAlive = false
# Timeout of the open connection command in ms
ConnectionTimeout = 5000
# Timeout of command execution in ms
CommandTimeout = 60000

[CryptoServer]
# Device specifier
Device = <device>
```

To check whether your adjustments are correct and the configuration is valid, use the next *p11tool2* command to check this:

p11tool2 listslots

If the configuration file is valid, p11tool shows a listing of available PKCS#11 slots.

0: 00000000

1: 0000001

2: 00000002

3: 00000003

4: 00000004

Listing 8: ListSlots

Otherwise you will retrieve an error message. Double check in this case your configuration settings and execute the previous command again.

3.3 Basic Usage

This chapter shows some useful *p11tool2* commands you typically use to initialize a PKCS#11 and retrieve some information about the PKCS#11 token, slot and objects.

3.3.1 Slot Initialization

Before including a PKCS#11 slot into your application you to need to initialize it. The initialization makes the slot ready to be used as key container and PKCS#11 cryptography interface.

```
# p11tool2 slot=<slotno> LoginSO=<so_pin> InitPin=<user_pin>
```

The parameter *Label* is optional but sometimes useful because your application may rely on this identifier to find the right slot. Pin's should have a minimum length of four and can be of alphanumeric. The parameter *Login* has changed in PKCS#11 R2. Formerly *Login* has been used as authentication paramter for the PKCS#11 user. In PKCS#11 R2 this parameter requires the name of a CryptoServer user with administrative privileges (e.g. default ADMIN user) and an authentication token. Further information to the new usage of parameter *Login* and *p11tool2*, it is referred to *SafeGuard CryptoServer - Manual for CryptoServer PKCS#11 Administration Tool Release 2* [3]. The next example illustrates the initialization of slot zero which is found in lots of typical applications integration.

p11tool2 slot=0 LoginS0=12345678 InitPin=87654321

3.3.2 List Slots

This example shows how to list the available PKCS#11 slots. It does not show which PKCS#11 slot has been already initialized.

```
# p11tool2 ListSlots
```

0: 000000001: 000000012: 000000023: 000000034: 00000004

Listing 9: ListSlots

3.3.3 Show Token Information

To retrieve some more information about the PKCS#11 token the *GetTokenInfo* command can be used for this.

p11tool2 GetTokenInfo

```
CK_TOKEN_INFO (slot ID: 0x00000000):
  label
                     43727970 746f5365 72766572 20504b43 |CryptoServer PKC|
                     53313120 546f6b65 6e202020 20202020 |S11 Token
  manufacturerID
                     5574696d 61636f20 53616665 77617265 |Utimaco Safeware|
                     20414720 20202020 20202020 20202020 | AG
 model
                     43727970 746f5365 72766572 20202020 | CryptoServer
  serialNumber
                     53653130 30302020 43533431 31393237 |Se1000 CS411927|
  flags: 0x0000064d
   CKF_RNG
                                    : CK_TRUE
   CKF_WRITE_PROTECTED
                                     : CK_FALSE
   CKF_LOGIN_REQUIRED
                                     : CK_TRUE
   CKF_USER_PIN_INITIALIZED
                                     : CK_TRUE
   CKF_RESTORE_KEY_NOT_NEEDED
                                    : CK_FALSE
   CKF_CLOCK_ON_TOKEN
                                     : CK_TRUE
   CKF_PROTECTED_AUTHENTICATION_PATH : CK_FALSE
   CKF_DUAL_CRYPTO_OPERATIONS
                                   : CK_TRUE
   CKF_TOKEN_INITIALIZED
                                     : CK_TRUE
   CKF_SECONDARY_AUTHENTICATION
                                    : CK_FALSE
   CKF_USER_PIN_COUNT_LOW
                                    : CK_FALSE
                                    : CK_FALSE
   CKF_USER_PIN_FINAL_TRY
   CKF_USER_PIN_LOCKED
                                     : CK_FALSE
   CKF_USER_PIN_TO_BE_CHANGED
                                    : CK_FALSE
   CKF_SO_PIN_COUNT_LOW
                                    : CK_FALSE
   CKF_SO_PIN_FINAL_TRY
                                     : CK_FALSE
   CKF_SO_PIN_LOCKED
                                     : CK_FALSE
   CKF_SO_PIN_TO_BE_CHANGED
                                    : CK_FALSE
 ulMaxSessionCount
 ulSessionCount
                      : 0
 ulMaxRwSessionCount : 256
                      : 0
 ulRwSessionCount
 ulMaxPinLen
                      : 255
                      : 0
 ulMinPinLen
 ulTotalPublicMemory : -1
 ulFreePublicMemory : -1
```

ulTotalPrivateMemory : -1 ulFreePrivateMemory : -1 hardwareVersion : 0.00 firmwareVersion : 0.00

utcTime 32303132 30393231 31343038 34382e33 |20120921140848.3|

Listing 10: GetTokenInfo

3.3.4 Show Slot Information

The command *GetSlotInfo* displays the information about a specific PKCS#11 slot. Sometimes this is useful to get the current label of the token.

p11tool2 slot=<slotno> GetSlotInfo

The following example retrieves detailed slot information from the PKCS#11 slot zero.

p11tool2 slot=0 GetSlotInfo

CK_SLOT_INFO (slot ID: 0x00000000):

 slotDescription
 43727970
 746f5365
 72766572
 20446576
 | CryptoServer Dev |

 69636520
 2731302e
 31372e34
 2e313130
 | ice '10.17.4.110 |

 27202d20
 534c4f54
 5f30303
 30202020
 | ' - SLOT_0000
 |

 20202020
 20202020
 20202020
 | ' - SLOT_0000
 |

manufacturerID 5574696d 61636f20 53616665 77617265 |Utimaco Safeware| 20414720 20202020 20202020 | AG |

flags: 0x00000005

CKF_TOKEN_PRESENT : CK_TRUE
CKF_REMOVABLE_DEVICE : CK_FALSE
CKF_HW_SLOT : CK_TRUE

hardwareVersion : 0.00
firmwareVersion : 0.00

Listing 11: GetSlotInfo

3.3.5 Help Information

For further usage and context help information the help command of the p11tool can be used.

p11tool2 help

 $@(\#) \ p11tool2 \ - \ CryptoServer \ PKCS\#11 \ Administration \ Tool \ Release \ 2 \ Version \ 2.0.1$

Valid commands are:

Parameter:

Force=

Basic Commands:

Help[=] PrintError= Version

```
PKCS#11 Commands:
                                             {\tt GetSlotInfo}
ListSlots
                       GetInfo
GetTokenInfo
                       InitToken=
                                             LoginSO=
                                             InitPIN=
LoginUser=
                      Login=
SetPIN=
                       ListObjects
                                             DeleteObject
ImportP12=
                       ImportCert=
                                             ExportCert[=]
                       GenerateKeyPair=
GenerateKey=
Backup/Restore Commands:
GetBackupInfo= BackupInternalKeys=
                                             BackupExternalKeys=
BackupConfig=
                       RestoreInternalKeys=
                                             RestoreExternalKeys=
RestoreConfig=
                       DeleteS0
Configuration Commands:
                       GetLocalConfig=
{\tt ListConfig}
                                             GetGlobalConfig=
SetGlobalConfig=
                       GetSlotConfig=
                                             SetSlotConfig=
Use p11tool2 help=<command> to get further help.
                                           Listing 12: Help
Specific information to a p11tool2 command can be retrieved using the help command like this:
# p11tool2 help=<p11tool2 command>
For example:
# p11tool2 help=GetSlotInfo
     p11tool2 [Lib=<lib_path>] [Slot=<slot_id>] GetSlotInfo
DESCRIPTION
     Get information about a specific slot
PARAMETER
           path to the PKCS#11 shared library to be loaded
           default: the built-in CryptoServer PKCS#11 Library Release 2 will be
                    used.
     slot_id
           ID of the slot as number
           default: 0
EXAMPLE
     Get information about the slot with ID = 1
     p11tool2 Slot=1 GetSlotInfo
```

4 Further Information

This document forms a part of the information and support which is provided by the Utimaco Safeware. Additional documentation can be found on the product CD in the documentation directory.

All SafeGuard CryptoServer product documentation is also available at the Utimaco Safeware website: http://hsm.utimaco.com

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- [3] UTIMACO SAFEWARE AG. SafeGuard CryptoServer Manual for CryptoServer PKCS#11 Administration Tool Release 2, 2012. 2012-0004.
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