Java Specification Request 321: Trusted Computing API for Java™

Tutorial on the Early Draft Review

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Agenda

This is an overview of the upcoming Trusted Computing API for Java. It has recently finished early draft review!
To be released under an open source license.

• Java & TC
• Lessons learned from TSS
• API Design
• Short Example
• Possibilities to influence the specification
Goal: Trusted Java Applications

Java is a natural choice for security critical software
  – type-safe
  – bounds-checking
  – access control checks
  – automated memory management
  – rich network and cryptographic libraries

A number of use cases for Trusted Computing in Java
  – Grid-Computing: policy enforcement, IP protection, data protection
  – Web-Services
  – DRM etc.
  – Remote Attestation Service
  – PrivacyCA
  – TPM Management Tools
Needed: Java Standard

• So far there has been no standard integration of Trusted Computing in Java.

• JSR321 is a Java Specification Request in the Java Community Process for a Trusted Computing API for the Java SE platform. It is aimed to develop a Trusted Computing API for Java providing selected functionality the TCG Software Stack offers to the C world, while following the conventions of modern Java APIs.
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A look back at the TSS

TCG Software Stack (TSS)
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Level 1

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A look back at the TSS

**TCG Software Stack (TSS)** is the core software component specified by the TCG for interaction with the TPM.

TSS design is provided and standardized by the TCG.

TSS is specified (amongst others) to:

- supply one single (exclusive) entry point to the TPM functionality
- synchronize TPM access
- TPM resource management (key slots, authorization sessions, …)
- building of TPM commands messages according to TPM specification
- manage user secrets
- perform authentication protocols
- handle event log
- Provide APIs for application programmers

It covers all operation scenarios: OS, system administration, middleware and applications.
Lessons Learned for Java API Design

- Existing TSS-based infrastructure can be used to support a high-level library
- Usability needs to be improved to lower initial threshold for developers
- Scope needs to be limited to what (Java application) developers need
- Reference Implementations are more than just helpful – especially as Open Source
  Indeed: required in the JCP!

⇒ JSR 321 is a high-level TC API for Java
Filtering Functionality

- TPM 1.2 only
- Remove features needed only by the BIOS, OS, system service,..
- Many TSS functions are simply not needed in Java™:
  - Management of memory and other resources can and should be hidden from application developers.
  - Object initialization and destruction are natural features of object-oriented languages.
  - Cryptographic primitives like hash functions are already well-supported in the Java™ Cryptography Extension (JCE).
- *Tested* TSS implementations of functionality must be available
Filtering Functionality

- As heard JSR-104 with IAEK Graz an EG member has just been withdrawn.
- No Spec Lead
- The JSRs shared a few common ideas
- Motorola cutting back JCP involvement may have influenced, too
- Allows IAEK to focus more on active 321!
- While no immediate plans exist to integrate ideas from 104, people with interest there are welcome to JSR-321.
Mapping TSS TSP API to Java Classes
# Package Layout

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<td><strong>javax.trustedcomputing.tpm</strong></td>
<td>This package allows to connect to a Trusted Platform Module (TPM).</td>
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<td>This package allows the creation, storage, loading and unloading of hierarchies of TPM keys.</td>
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<td><strong>javax.trustedcomputing.tpm.structures</strong></td>
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javax.trustedcomputing

Exception Summary

| TrustedComputingException | The default Exception used in the javax.trustedcomputing package. |

- The default Exception used in the javax.trustedcomputing package.
- It covers all unexpected behaviors on all levels of the trusted platform.
- This includes also the errors raised in lower layers of the TCG architecture such as error codes returned from the TPM, and the TSS and its sub-layers.
- Returns human-readable error messages and TCG compatible error codes
### Class Summary

| TPMContext | The Context class is the centerpiece of the API. This package allows to connect to a Trusted Platform Module (TPM). The Context class is the centerpiece of the API. It serves as central object factory. All TPM-depending objects are created here. While there may exist several TPMContexts at the same time, all derived Objects (such as keys) are only valid within one Context session instance. |

### Interface Summary

| TPM | This represents the hardware TPM and the basic functionalities it offers. It allows to query the status and capabilities of the hardware TPM and provides access to the random number generator. It also provides access to the Platform Configuration Registers (PCRs). |
javax.trustedcomputing.tpm.keys

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<td>Provides a container for SHA-1 hash values.</td>
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<td><strong>PCREvent</strong></td>
<td>Holds the data to be extended into PCRs, together with event information that will be stored in the systems Stored Measurement Log (SML).</td>
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<td><strong>PCRInfo</strong></td>
<td>The contents of the Platform Configuration Registers (PCR) of a TPM can be used to report the configuration of a system.</td>
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<td><strong>Secret</strong></td>
<td>Provides conversion of password strings into the hashed binary format expected by the TPM.</td>
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<td><strong>ValidationData</strong></td>
<td>Holds all information necessary to validate that an operation that returns it was properly performed by an authentic TPM.</td>
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This package contains helper classes for interaction with various other classes from the java.trustedcomputing.tpm package. The classes in this package are passive, i.e. do not communicate with the hardware TPM directly.
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<td><strong>Sealer</strong></td>
<td>Provides all services for performing TPM_SEAL on user data.</td>
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<td><strong>Signer</strong></td>
<td>This class allows to sign user data or files using a SigningKey or a LegacyKey.</td>
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<td><strong>TickStamper</strong></td>
<td>Allows to read the current tick counter of the TPM and to perform time stamping operations based on it.</td>
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This package allows using various core concepts of Trusted Computing.
- Small set of required tools.
- Designed to be extendible with additional features.
Example: How to seal a secret

Imports the API declarations

```java
package demo.jsr321;

import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.TPMContext;
import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.keys.KeyManager;
import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.keys.StorageKey;
import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.keys.StorageRootKey;
import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.structures.Digest;
import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.structures.PCRInfo;
import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.structures.Secret;
import javax.trustecomputing.tpm.tools.Sealer;

import junit.framework.TestCase;

/**
 * Performs tests on the Sealing functionality
 * @author rtoegl
 */

public class SealingTests extends TestCase {

/**
 * Performs a straightforward functional test on the Sealer class.
 */

public void testSealer() throws Exception {

/**
 * First choose an implementation of TPMContext.
 */

TPMContext context = TPMContext
    .getInstance("cordelia.tpm.CordeliaTPMContext.java");

context.connect();

KeyManager keyManager = context.getKeyManager();
```
..example continued.

TPM Authentication secrets are easily constructed with default encoding.

Now we can instruct the TPM to create a cryptographic key with a specific policy.

We define a platform configuration as a set of PCR values.

Get a Sealer tool instance.

Use it to seal our little secret to this platform-bound key and configuration.

Finally, close the context.

```java
Secret keyUsageSecret = context
    .getSecret("TheSecretPassword4SealingAndUnsealing");

StorageRootKey srk = keyManager
    .loadStorageRootKey(Secret.WELL_KNOWN_SECRET);

/**
 * We create a Key of type Storage key, which is non-migratable,
 * non-volatile and need authorization. Using the key is not bound to a
 * specific platform state. sealingKey is wrapped by the Storage Root Key.
 */
StorageKey sealingKey = keyManager.createStorageKey(srk,
    keyUsageSecret, null, false, false, true, null);

byte[] dataToProtect = "My little secret".getBytes();

PCRIInfo targetState = context.getPCRIInfo();

Digest pcr12 = context.getDigest(new byte[] { 0xc, 0xa, 0xf, 0xe, 0x0,
    0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0,
    0x0, 0x0, 0x0 });
targetState.setPCRValue(12, pcr12);

Sealer sealer = context.getSealer();

byte[] sealedData = sealer.seal(dataToProtect, targetState, sealingKey);

// Done sealing data to the platform and its state!

context.close();
```
Java Community Process

- The JCP is a process established to develop and publish Java industry standards.
- It requires a formal sequence of phases
- **We are here**
- An Expert Group collaborates in defining the standard.

- Written Spec
- Updated Written Spec
- Reference Implementation (RI)
- Technology Compatibility Kit (TCK)

RI and TCK MUST cover complete API specification!
How to participate

Get the Draft.

⇒ http://jsr321.dev.java.net

Read the specifications and comment on it!

⇒ jsr-321-comments@jcp.org

The Expert Group will then discuss your contributions.

Of course, you are also (more than) welcome to join as an Expert or, to provide implementations!
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