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Bring Your Own Token (BYOT)

To Replace the Traditional Smartcards for Strong Authentication & Signing

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- Limitations with traditional smartcards
- Introducing Bring Your Own Token
- BYOT - Advantages, Limitations and Best Practices
- Key Takeaways
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Smartcards – Introduction

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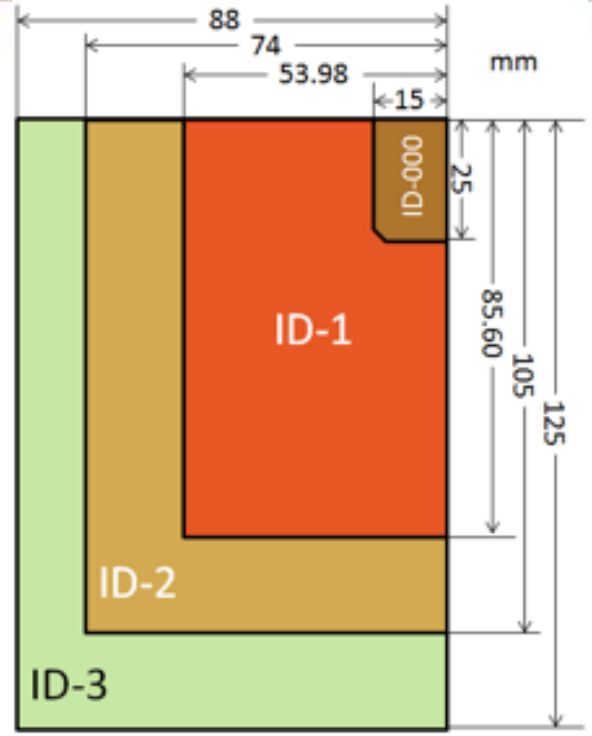
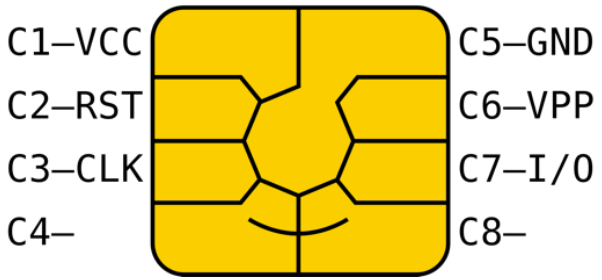
- Plastic card with an embedded integrated circuit chip
- Provides a tamper-resistant secure crypto processor and secure file system
- Different types (**contact**/**contactless**) and dimensions (**ID-000**, **ID-1**, etc.)
- ISO Standards define physical characteristics, electrical interface, transmission protocols, crypto mechanisms,
  - Contact: **ISO/IEC 7810** and **ISO/IEC 7816**
  - Contactless/proximity: **ISO/IEC 14443**
- The cryptographic key material and the digital certificates are securely generated/imported to the chip





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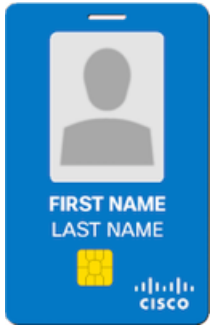
Smartcards – Use Cases

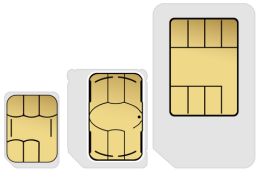


IT

- Strong Authentication (Smartcard Logon, TLS Client Authentication)
- Signing (Email, Document, Software)
- Encryption

Banking & Retail

- EMV Chip cards (Chip & PIN / Chip & Signature)



Mobile Communication

- Subscriber Identity Module (SIM)

CCID and PIV Standards

- **C**hip **C**ard **I**nterface **D**evice
  - USB standards work group, March 2001
  - Protocol and requirements for card reader using a standard USB interface
  - Latest Revision: 1.1 - April 2005.
- **P**ersonal **I**dentity **V**erification
  - FIPS 201 document by NIST in Feb 2005
  - Architecture and technical requirements for a common identification standard
  - Latest Revision: FIPS 201-2 - August 2013

Slot	Key Type	PIN Requirement
04	PIV Secure Messaging	Never
9A	PIV Authentication	Once per session
9B	PIV Card Application Administration	Never
9C	Digital Signature	Every use
9D	Key Management	Once per session
9E	Card Authentication	Never
82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8F, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95	Retired Key Management	Once per session

Traditional Usage at Large Enterprises

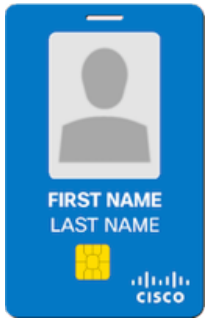
Hybrid cards that provides both the physical proximity card and logical smartcard functionalities (smart badge)

Single card for both facility access as well as strong authentication to IT servers/applications

Digital identity certificates are either provisioned on premise in the badging office using kiosks or using a 3rd party provisioning partners

Smartcards at Cisco – Timeline of Strong Authentication Solutions

~1997	2002	2007	2011	2012	Feb 2018	Aug 2018
Safeword Premier Access (SPA) deployed for VPN Access	Started advocating for SmartBadge	SmartBadge for GOV Group	IT SmartBadge Program Pilot	AdminToken , SmartBadge Program Live, BYOT POC	Token Provisioning Partner informs EOS	CryptoID (BYOT) goes live



Limitations with traditional smartcards

- Provisioning Costs and Delays
  - Need for Kiosks or 3rd party provisioning services
  - Support for Remote workers
- Support issues related to card readers
  - Driver/middleware issues
  - Dongles!
- Handling of lost/misplaced cards
- Issuing temporary/replacement smart cards
- Handling certificate expiry/renewals

Introducing Bring Your Own Token

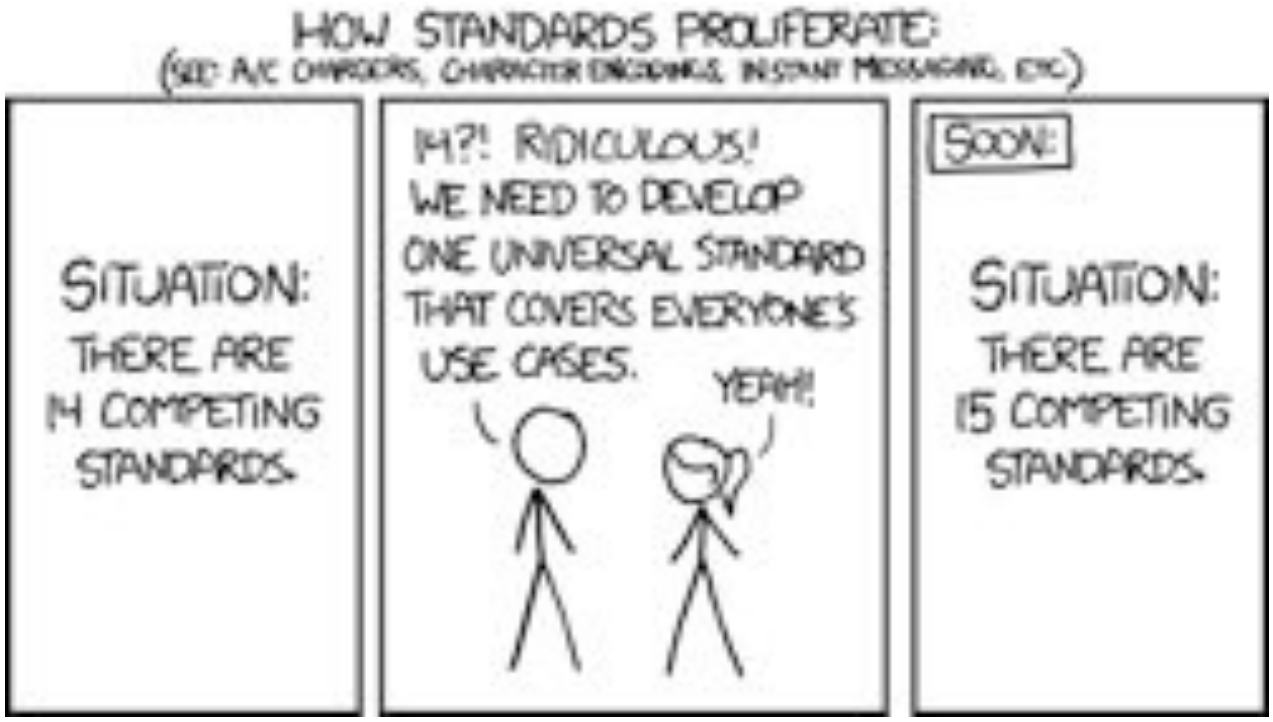
Separate smartcard functions from the physical access card

Use USB Hardware Tokens that supports **PIV** and **CCID** standards

Enable Self-provisioning and management

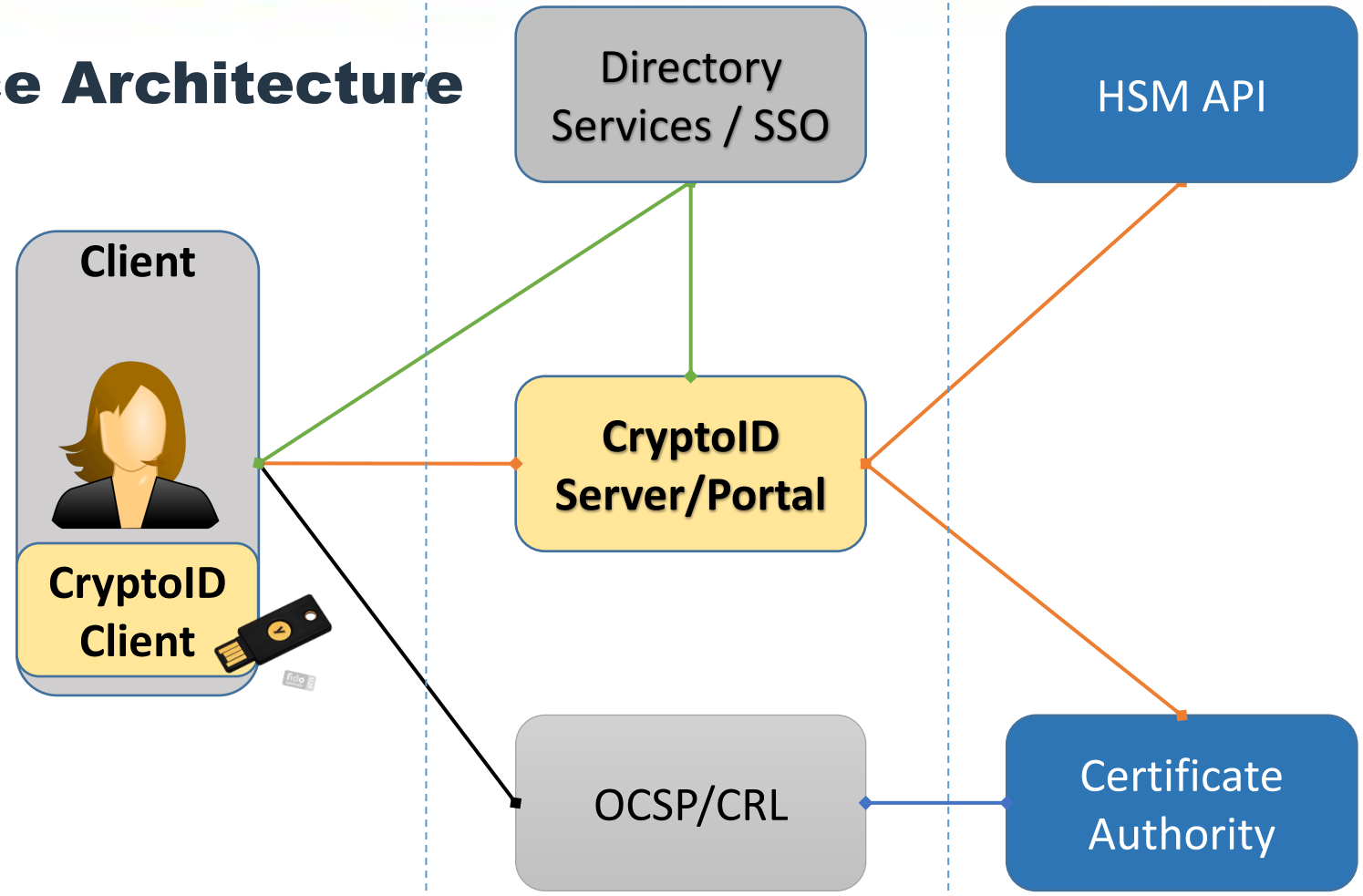
Token Selection Criteria

- Compliance with FIPS 201-2
  - Crypto Specs: NIST SP 800-78-4
    - RSA 2048 or better (PKCS #1 v1.5/PSS)
    - EC (Curve P-256 or P-384)
- Driver and application support
  - For commonly used OS
- Multi purpose tokens
  - Multi protocol support: PIV, OTP, FIDO2
- Security Updates
- Cost and Reliability



CryptoID – BYOT Reference Architecture

- CryptoID Server (Portal)
- CryptoID Client Tool
- Other Existing IT/PKI Systems
  - LDAP/SSO
  - HSM API
  - Certificate Authority
  - CRL/OCSP Responders



BYOT – CryptoID Provisioning Workflow

Buy/Bring	Get an approved token and connect it to your system
Request	Generate attested provisioning request using CryptoID Client & submit to CryptoID Portal
Validate & Issue	If all validations pass, portal issues the cert and also publishes it to AD
Download & Import	Download and import the CryptoID cert to the token

Advantages/ROI of CryptoID

No external vendors in the provisioning process. No vendor lock-in for tokens.

Reduced cost and support overhead. ~ $350K per year cost savings to Cisco

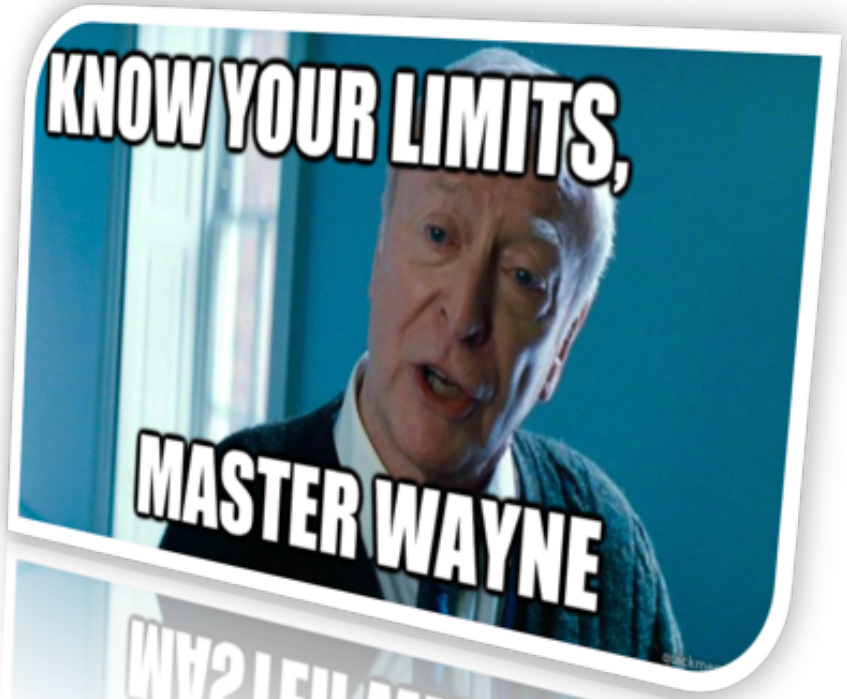
Enhanced security – Easy to keep up with the security fixes in new models/firmware

No complex integrations with the PAC systems

Token consolidation – Multiple Protocols on Single Token : PIV/OTP/FIDO/U2F

Limitations of CryptoID

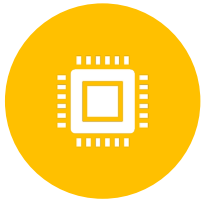
- Need for thorough evaluation before approving new token models
- Need to keep up with the security advisories of all supported tokens/models
- Users might not report lost tokens immediately
- PIN Lockouts – need to reset the token if the user forgets both PIN and PUK



Best practices and recommendations

Get your **PKI** and **AD** guys involved

Define and enforce the allowed **crypto**



Ensure the tokens provide **attestation** capability

Control what token **models**, **firmware** versions are allowed

Control and manage the **PIN policies**

Consider **Key Escrow** for **S/MIME** Certificates

Monitor **Security Advisories** of the supported tokens

Automated **revocation** for **terminated** employees

Black Hat Sound Bytes (Key Takeaways)

- Mandate hardware token-based authentication for critical/sensitive services
- Avoid dependencies on third parties to provision these tokens
  - Enable BYOT with self-provisioning and management
- Make your solution token vendor independent
  - Support more than 1 token vendor, but not too many!
  - Have a token evaluation checklist and selection criteria
- Are you hardware security token vendor?
  - Please include attestation features!
- Opportunity for enhancing PIV/CCID Standards
  - Include BYOT specific requirements such as attestation

Demo

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Token Provisioning

Smartcard Authentication Using Token Certificate

TLS Certificate Authentication Using Token Certificate

SSH Authentication

SMIME

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