



Scalability of Utimaco HSMs

Info Webcast

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Easy to configure for Scalability

- Easily upgrade your device with a license file
- Set up your HSMs into cluster mode
- Extend the HSMs data storage

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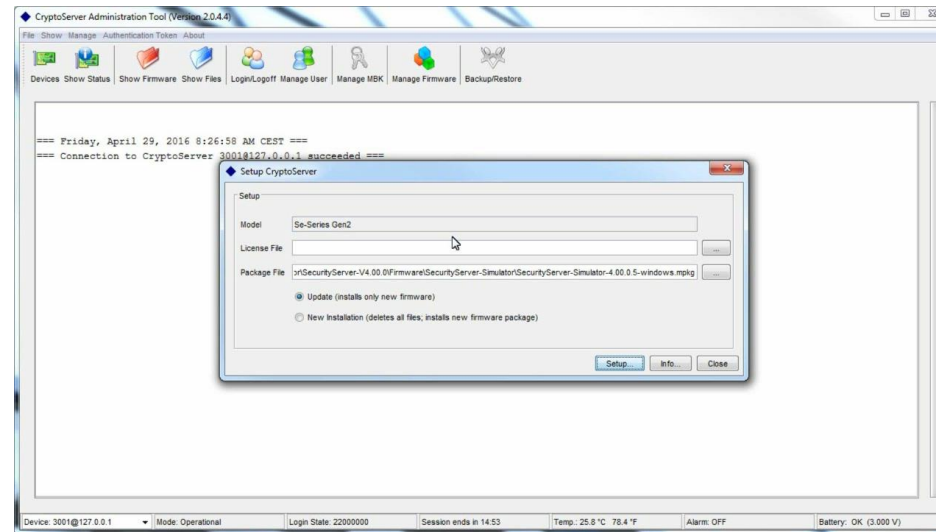


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The different HSM model pairs are based on the same hardware platform.

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→ For upgrade of the license file a special license file related to the Serial Number of the HSM must be issued by Utimaco.

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→ Preferably via CSADM:

```
csadm dev=... logonsign=ADMIN,... loadfile=<licensefile>.slf restart
```

Clustering

- All Utimaco HSMs support clustering
 - Used via APIs

- Possible to use with
 - Load Balancing
 - natively supported by CXI and PKCS#11
 - Failover
 - natively supported by CXI, PKCS#11, CNG/CSP, JCE

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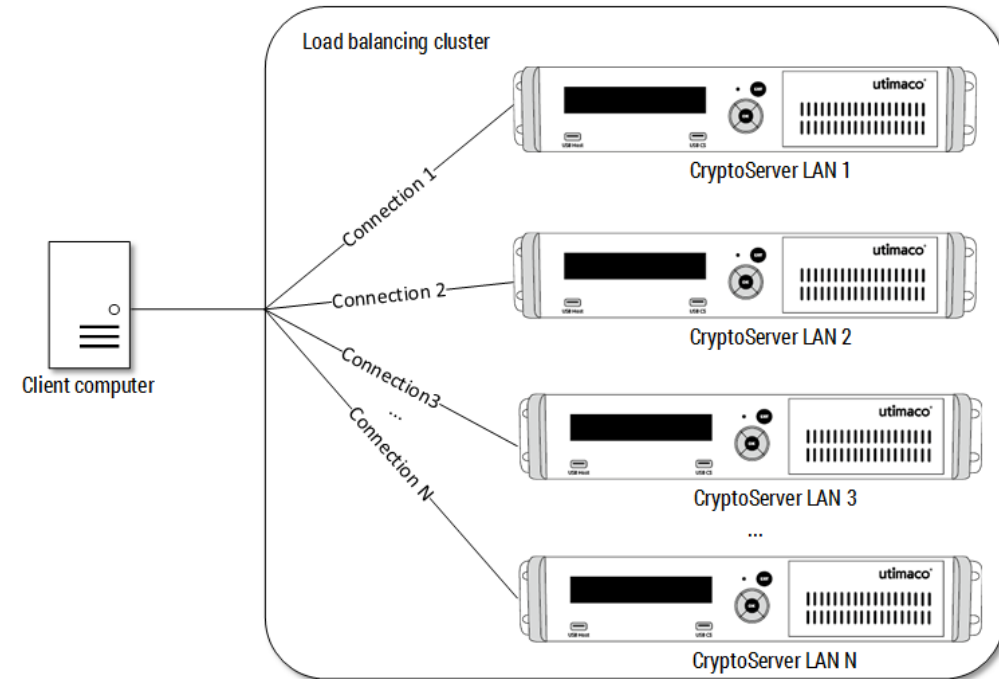
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- All user databases of the used CryptoServer have to be synchronized
 - Same user accounts and user credentials (password, key file, attributes)

Clustering – Load Balancing

- If you are using load balancing
 - CryptoServer API handles session of Round Robin based connections
 - Reaching higher system performance
 - Even distribution of load on cluster members
 - High availability in case of a failure

Clustering – Load Balancing

- CryptoServer in the cluster must be configured identically
- Connections are established by the client-side software based on the "Least Connections" principle
 - i.e. a new connection is opened on the CryptoServer with the least number of existing connections



Clustering – Failover

- If you are using failover

- Multiple CryptoServer can be configured in a cluster
- The first CryptoServer is the primary CryptoServer device

→ If the primary CryptoServer is not reachable, the next CryptoServer will be connected

→ If the primary CryptoServer is active, the other cluster members stay passive

```
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→ Failover mechanism tries to re-connect to the primary CryptoServer

→ In regular time intervals (fallback interval) in seconds

```
# Configures load balancing mode ( == 0 ) or failover mode ( > 0 )  
FallbackInterval = 60
```

Data Storage

- All HSMs support internal and external key storage out of the box
 - The internal key store has a size of 4 MB for Se Gen1 & CSe Series
 - Corresponding RSA Keys (1024 bit) ~ 3350
 - The internal key store has a size of 8 MB for Se Gen2
 - Corresponding RSA Keys (1024 bit) ~ 6700
 - Configure an external key storage
 - Unlimited storage size possible
 - Automatic key synchronization between cluster members
 - Master Backup Key (MBK) has to be installed on all cluster members
 - Path for external key storage has to be configured in the API configuration file
 - It can be stored anywhere (SAN, RAID,...)
- Switching from internal key storage to external key storage is possible at anytime

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→ Note: No licensing on algorithms and client connections

→ All HSM series of Utimaco have the same functionalities & same firmware packages

Thanks for your attention!



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