

Secret Management with IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Services

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Secret Management: What? Why? How?



What are Secrets?

Secrets are Digital Authentication Credentials used in Applications, Services, Privileged Accounts, etc

- IAM Credentials, SSH Keys
- API and other applications Keys / Credentials
- Authentication Tokens, Certificates
- Private Encryption Keys

Challenges

- Millions of secrets in an enterprise
- Secret Sprawl
 - Hardcoded application identities
 - Plain-text usernames / passwords / API-Keys embedded in scripts, configuration files, etc
 - Certificates & Encryption Keys stored in File Systems
- Difficult to track and handle security events

An Enterprise wide Secret Management strategy will enable moving from "Host-Based" identity to "Application-Based" identity to enhance security in a "Zero Trust" network environment with multiple clouds

- Policy based "Secret" Rotation
- One-click Secret Disable anywhere in the enterprise in the event of a breach
- Auditing of security events creation, use, deletion of secrets in the enterprise
- Will facilitate A2A (app-to-app) and A2D (app-to-database) communications and access
- Will help remove the need for hard-coded / default credentials
- Will help automate credential revocation OR create credentials that are only valid for a specific purpose / time frame



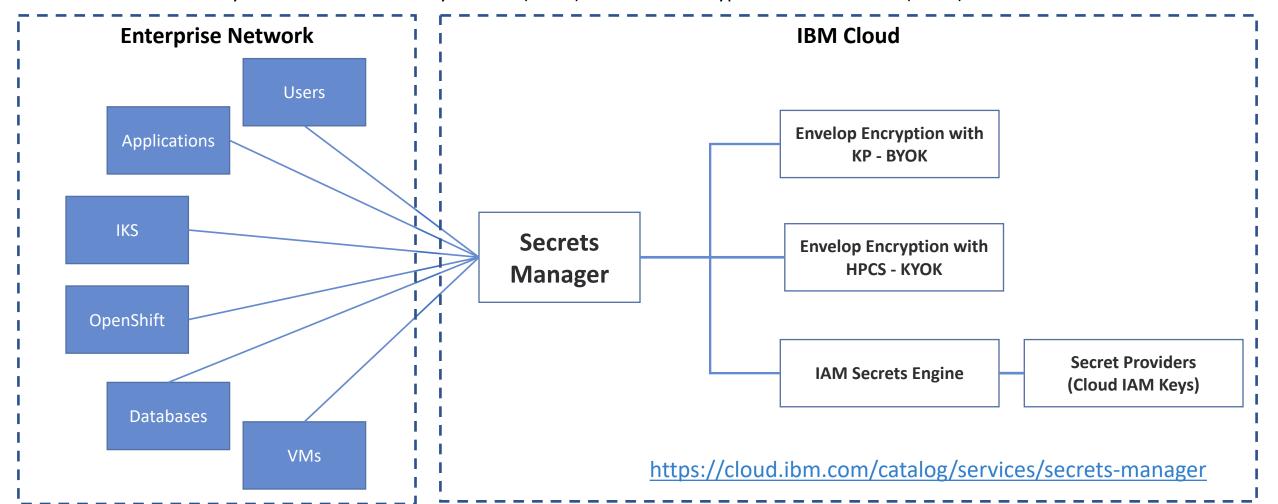
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Tools & Services

Secret Management: IBM Cloud Secrets Manager



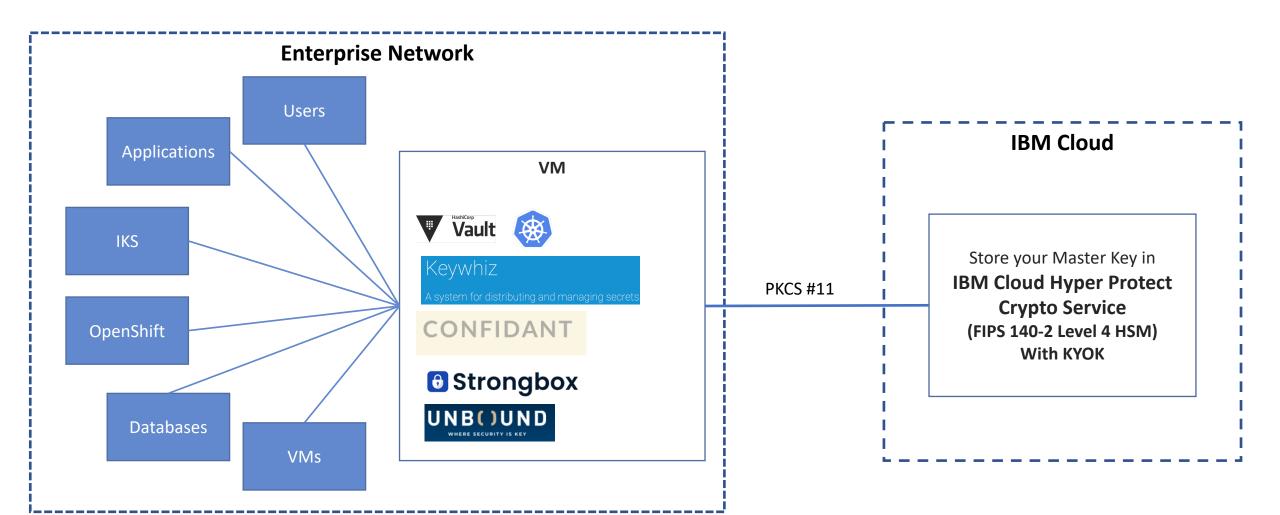
- Create, lease, and centrally manage secrets that are used in IBM Cloud services or your custom-built applications.
- All your secrets will stay within the IBM Cloud Eco System
- Integrates with IAM Identity and Access Management allows creation of "secret groups"
- Enhances the security of secrets with IBM Key Protect (BYOK) or IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Services (KYOK)



Secret Management Tools / Applications



- Host Secret Manager Tool on a VM within the Enterprise Network Boundary
 - Secret Manager Tool will manage all the Secrets
 - Configure a Backend HSM (Hardware Security Model) for enhanced security



Secret Management: Source of Truth

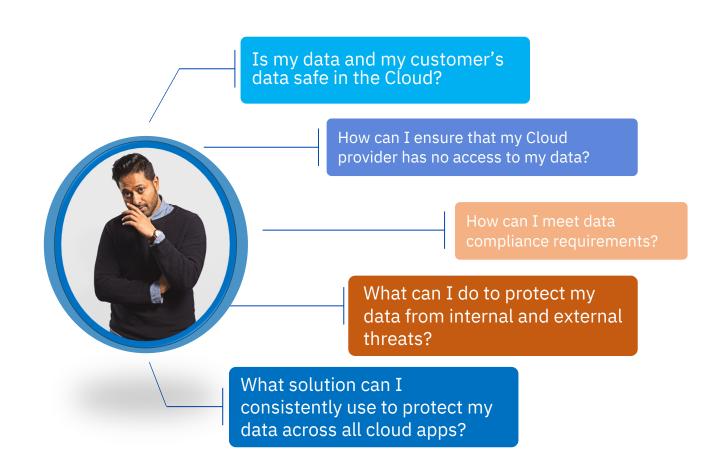


Where does the buck stop?

- Vendor solutions can become the Single Point of Attack / Failure
- How do you inspire confidence?
- How will a KMS (Key Management System) Service help?

HSM – Hardware Security Module considerations?

- Where will be MY master key?
 - Who will have access to MY master key?
 - What if **MY** master key is compromised?
- HSM
 - On-Prem how do you keep up with new developments
 - Cloud-Based HSM Pay as you go
- How secure is the HSM?
 - FIPS 140-2 Level 3
 - FIPS 140-2 Level 4 (Hyper Protect Crypto Service)



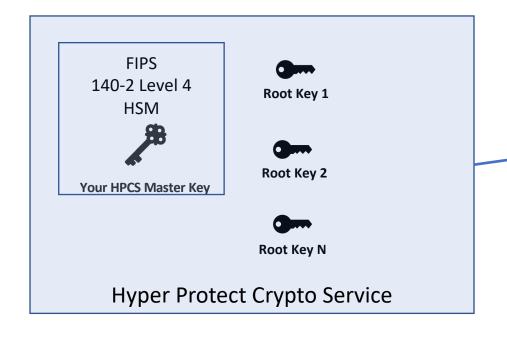


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Use Cases

Secret Management with HSM Backend





- PKCS11 Calls
- API Calls

HashiCorp Vault HashiCorp Secrets protected by HashiCorp Master **HSM-wrapped Vault Master Key in Storage** Key 1. User requests for a Secret **Applica IKS** Databases Users tions

HPCS

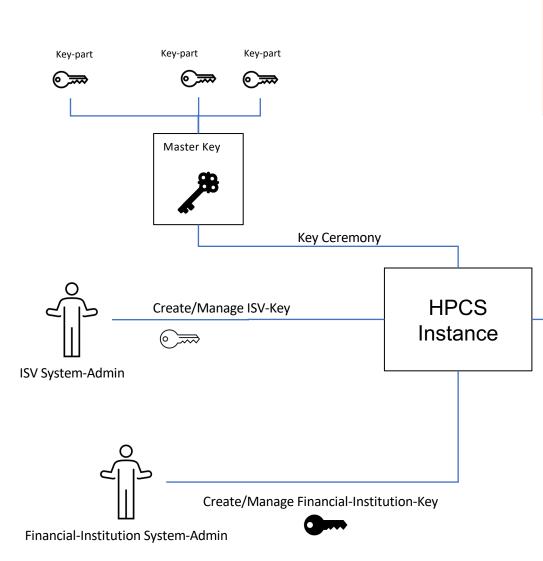
- 1. "Master Key" is stored in FIPS 140-2 Level 4 HSM
- 2. "Root Keys" generated in HPCS are encrypted by "Master Key"
- 3. "Root Keys" generated in HPCS are used by Vault to encrypt "its own" Master Key

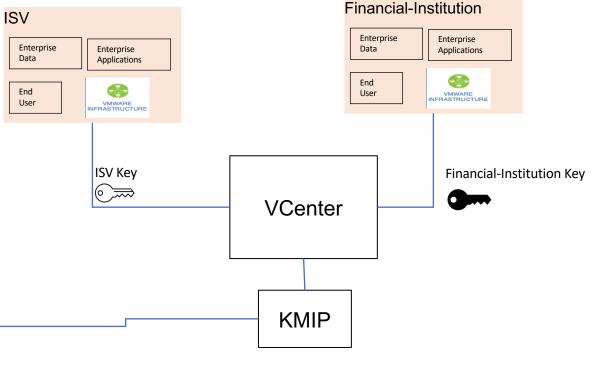
On Start:

- 1. Vault Requests "Unseal Key" from HSM
- 2. Vault uses "Unseal Key" to decrypt its own Master Key
- 3. Vault uses "its own decrypted Master Key" to decrypt its "Data Encryption Key"

Secrets in a VMware Regulated Workload Environment





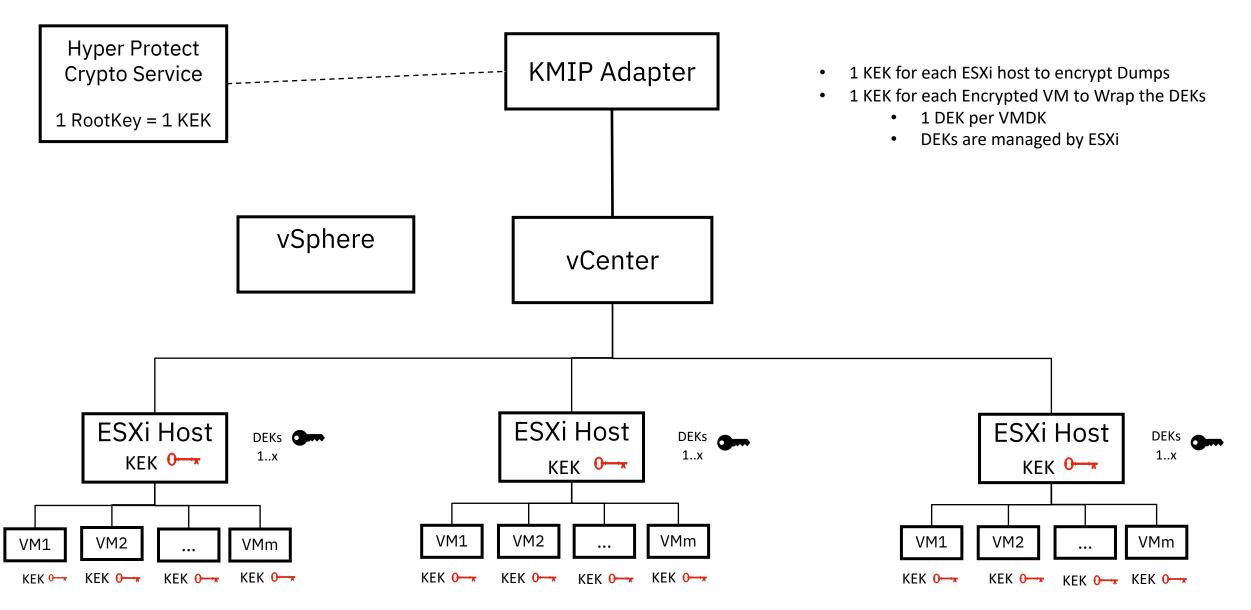


KYOK (Keep Your Own Key):

- ISVs and Financial Institutions can meet Security and Compliance requirements by creating & managing their own Root-Keys
 - Financial-Institution uses its own *Financial-Institution-Root-Key* to protect Financial-Institution-Data
 - ISV uses its own *ISV-Root-Key* to implement encryption services on the vSphere platform
- IBM does not manage Root-Keys
 - IBM **CANNOT** view encrypted data belonging to the ISV and Financial-Institution (Technical Assurance)
 - Similarly, ISVs cannot view encrypted data belonging to the Financial institution and vice-versa

Secrets (Keys) in a VMware environment

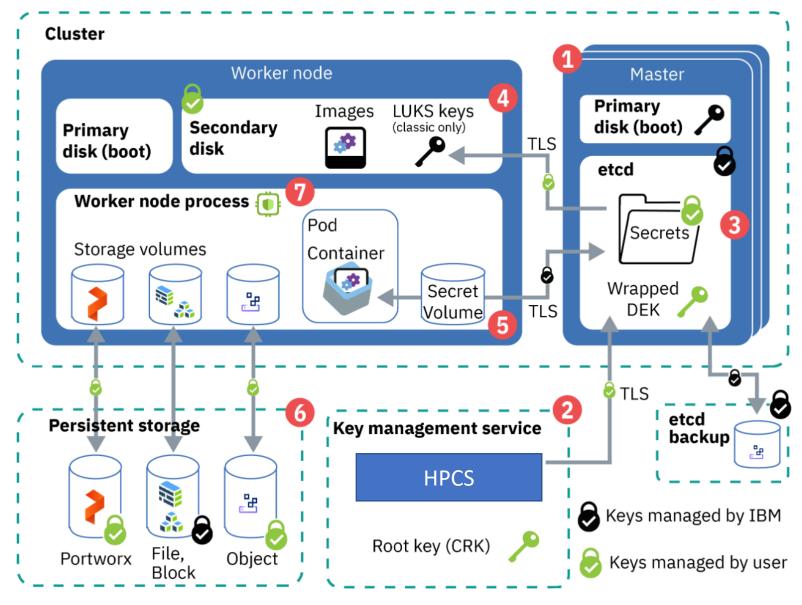




Secrets (Keys) in a Kubernetes environment

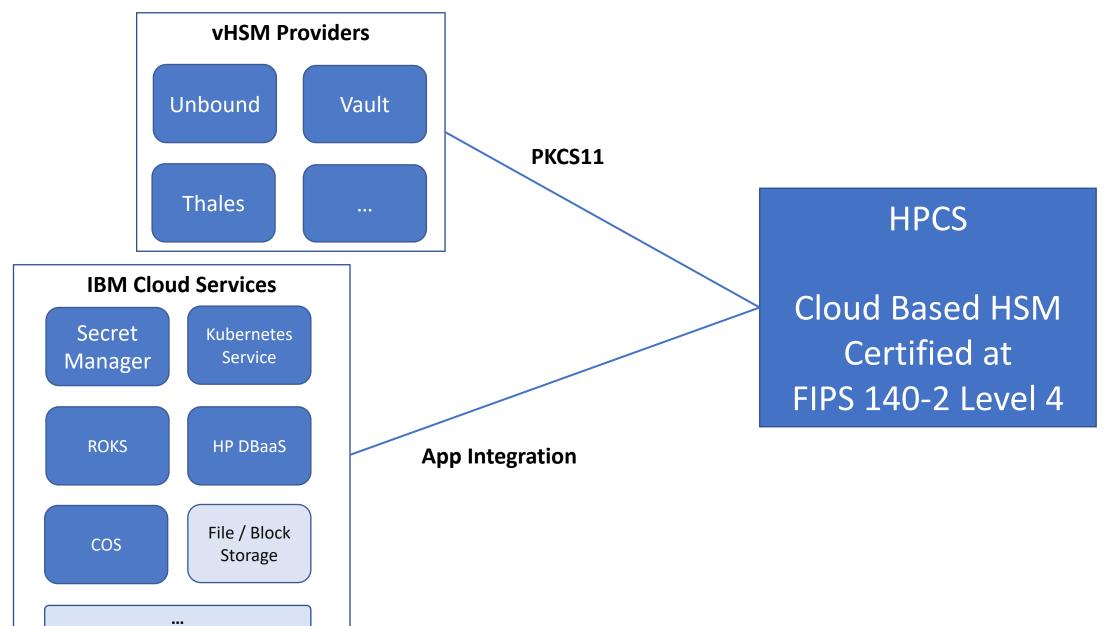


- Master Control Pane come up on LUKSencrypted drive by using IBM-managed Key
- 2. HPCS (KMS Provider) holds ALL the Root-Keys required for the K8S Environment
- 3. etcd data stores configuration data for your K8S resources. A wrapped DEK is used to encrypt secrets in the K8S cluster that store service-credentials and the LUKS key. Root-Key in HPCS is required to decrypt DEK.
- **4.** Worker n0de disks encrypted by a LUKS key are stored as a Secret in etcd
- Cluster Secrets are encrypted by HPCS Root-Key wrapped DEK
- 6. Persistent Storage Encryption
- 7. Data-in-use Encryption



Use a Level-4 HSM to enhance security posture

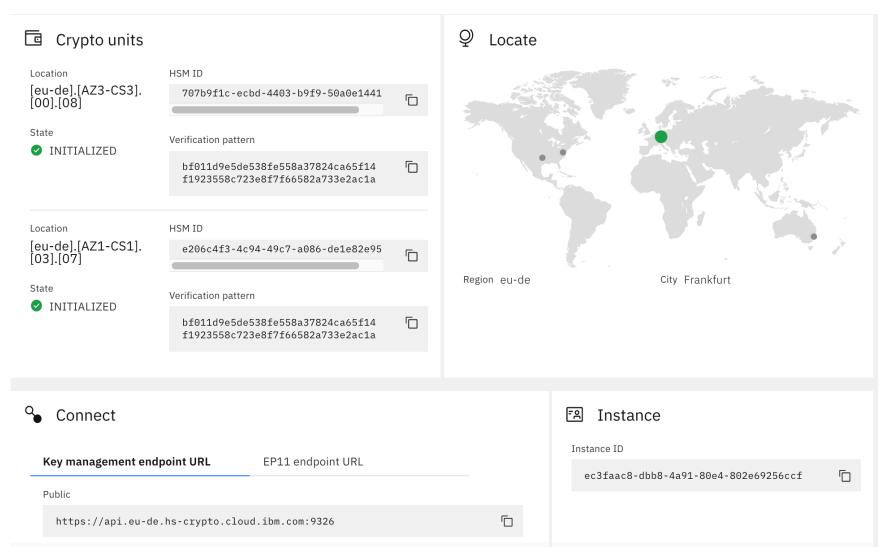




Hyper Protect Crypto Service – Key Management



- Initialize YOUR FIPS 140-2 Level 4 HSM with YOUR OWN Master Key
 - Master Key is stored in the HSM
 - Master Key can have up to 3 parts
- Create Root-Keys and Standard Keys on the Portal
 - Create other key types using PKCS11
 - Keys are symmetric 256-bit, supported by AES-CBC algorithm
- Import your own Keys
- Access keys using
 - Key-Protect API
 - Programmatically using PKCS11
- Rotate Keys on a schedule
 - Set individual policies for each key
- Disable / Delete / Zeroize Master Key to immediately prevent access to ALL resources in case of an emergency
- 5000 Keys per Crypto Unit
 - 3 Crypto Units per HPCS instance
 - 1Million API Calls / month



https://cloud.ibm.com/docs/hs-crypto?topic=hs-crypto-get-started

Hyper Protect Family of Services



Hyper Protect Crypto Services
HPCS

Hyper Protect DB as a Service HPDBaaS

Mongo

Postgre SQL

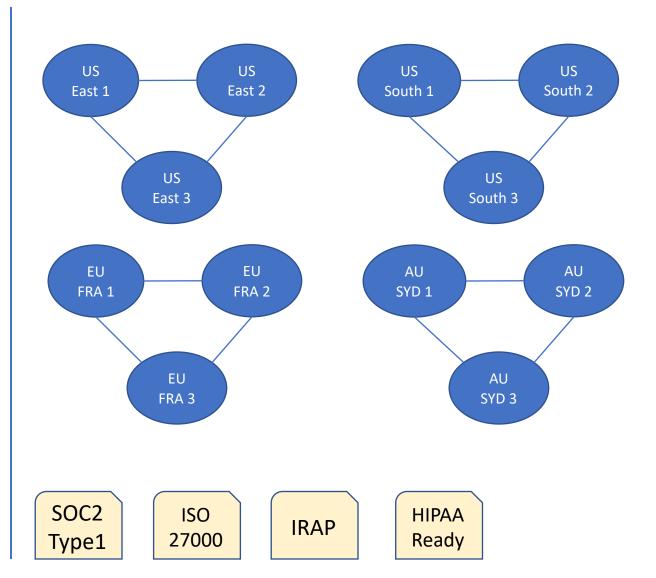
Hyper Protect Virtual Services
HPVS

Ubuntu

BYOI

Hyper Protect Kubernetes Service

Multi-Zone Regions (MZRs)



Thank you!



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Useful Links

Hyper Protect Videos, Demos, Code-Patterns, Blogs <u>ibm-hyper-protect.github.io</u>

Try a Code-Pattern https://developer.ibm.com/patterns/create-a-secured-microservices-and-deploy-it-to-a-consolidated-database/

IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Services https://www.ibm.com/cloud/hyper-protect-services

How to BYOI? https://cloud.ibm.com/docs/hp-virtual-servers?topic=hp-virtual-servers-byoi#byoi_create

IBM Cloud architectures https://www.ibm.com/cloud/architecture/architectures/



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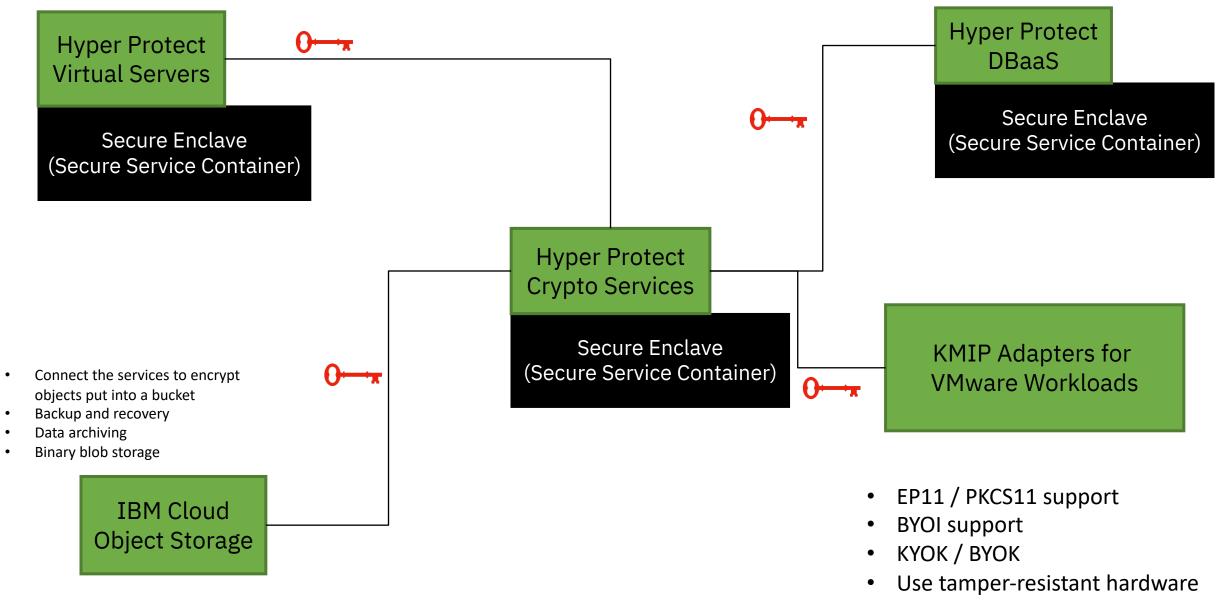




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IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Services Integration

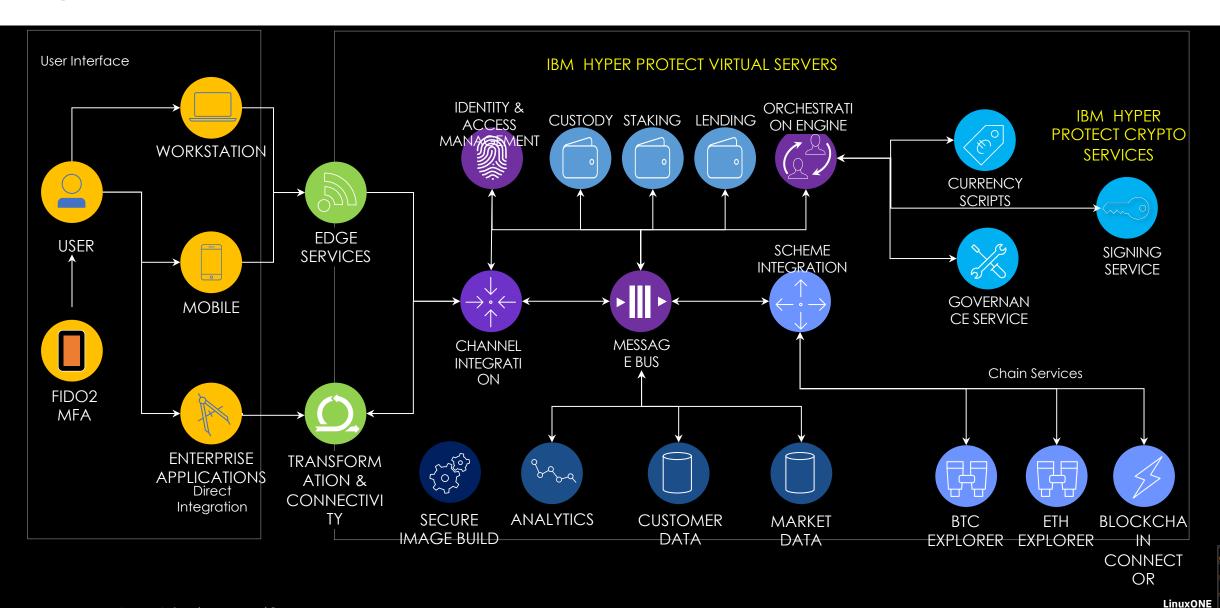




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IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Services +

Digital Assets Platform (Custody)

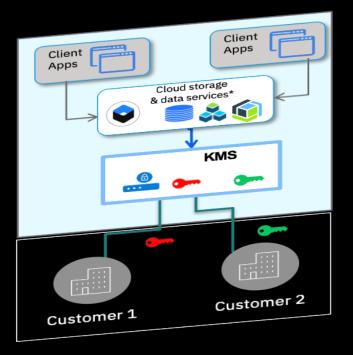


IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Services (HPCS): KYOK vs. BYOK



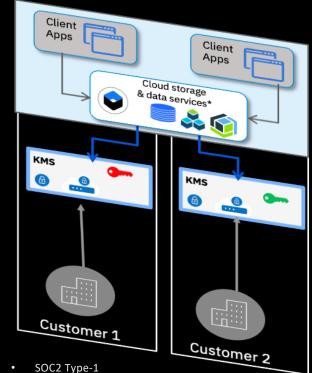
Keep Your Own Key (KYOK) provides **technical assurance** that a Cloud Services Provider **cannot** access the encryption keys, with industry's highest level security

Industry's Bring Your Own Keys (BYOK)



Industry BYOK	Cloud key management capabilities	IBM's KYOK
✓	Customer key lifecycle management	✓
✓	As a service. Integrated with Cloud services	✓
✓	Client can bring their keys from onprem HSM	✓
✓	Operational assurance - provider will not access keys	✓
	Technical assurance - IBM can not access the keys	✓
	Single tenant, dedicated KMS	✓
	Client has exclusive control of HSM's master key	✓
	Highest level security – FIPS 140-2 Level 4 HSM	✓
	Client manages master key, with smart card	√
	Client can perform key exchange ceremony	✓

IBM's Keep Your Own Keys (KYOK)



- **GDPR**
- ISO 27K
- **IRAP Protected**
- HIPAA Ready