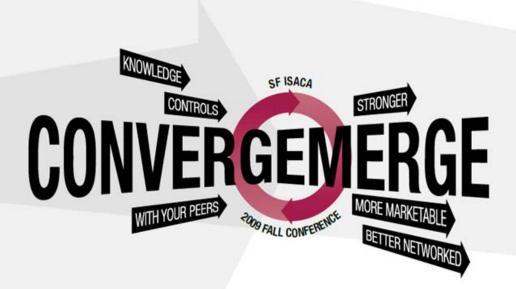
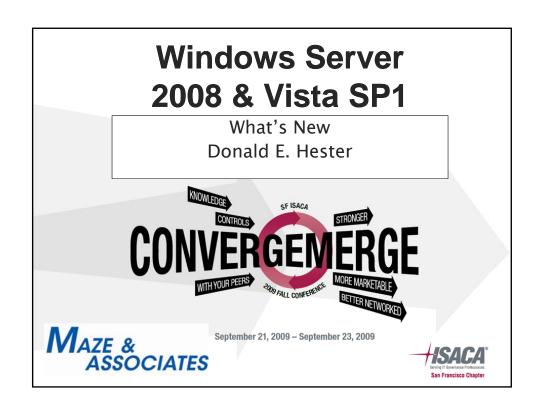
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Overview

- Active Directory Security Changes
- Network Security Changes
- Data Protection
- Server Core
- Hyper-V
- Terminal Services Changes
- High Availability





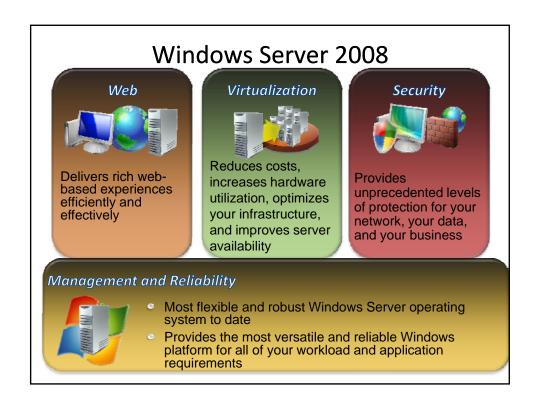


Ten Reasons to transition to Windows Server 2008 (Previously Code Name "Longhorn")

- > Improvements in Security
- > Improvements in Networking
- Reliability and Performance
- Server Core
- Server Manager
- Active Directory Enhancements
- Network Access Protection (NAP)
- New Terminal Services Capabilities
- Windows Server Virtualization
- > Internet Information Services 7.0







Server Protection Features

Security

- Development Process
- Secure Startup and shield up at install
- Code integrity
- Windows service hardening
- Inbound and outbound firewall
- Restart Manager

Compliance

- Improved auditing
- Network Access Protection
- Event Forwarding
- Policy Based Networking
- Server and Domain Isolation
- Removable Device Installation Control
- Active Directory Rights
 Management Services



Windows Vista/Server 2008 Security

INTEGRITY PROTECTION

Windows Integrity Controls

- One goal was CC (Common Criteria) compliance (TCSEC Level B)
- MIC (Mandatory Integrity Control) later named WIC (Windows Integrity Control)
- Has been available for decades but only in military computers
- That means there may be files that not even the administrator can delete



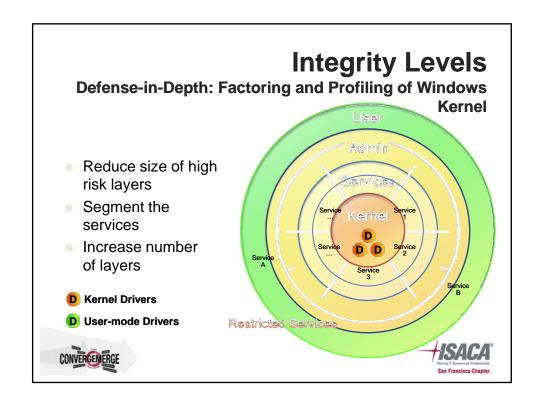


MIC

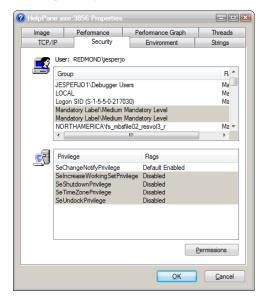
- Mandatory Integrity Control (MIC), a model in which data can be configured to prevent lowerintegrity applications from accessing it.
- The primary integrity levels are Low, Medium, High, and System.
- Processes are assigned an integrity level in their access token.
- Securable objects such as files and registry keys have a new mandatory access control entry (ACE) in the System Access Control List (ACL).







Integrity Levels in Token



Active Directory Security Changes

- ADFS
- Read Only Domain Controller (RODC)
- Fine-grain Password Policies
- · Active Directory Auditing





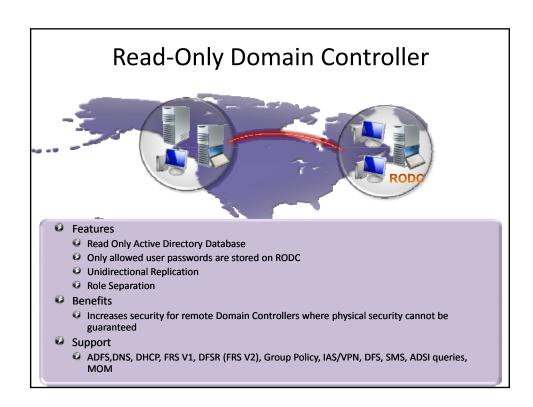


Active Directory Improvements

- Fine-grained password policies means you can give each group and/or person a different password policy
- New backup tool means bare-metal rebuilds of a dead DC is a snap
- AD snapshots gives ISVs the potential to build AD recovery tools, auditing and forensic analysis tools
- Restartable Directory Services







"Restartable" Active Directory

• Introduction:

- Restart Active Directory without rebooting
- Can be done through command line and MMC
- Can't boot the DC to stopped mode of Active Directory
- No effect on non-related services while restarting Active Directory
- Several ways to process login under stopped mode

· Benefits:

- Reduces time for offline operations
- Improves availability for other services on DC when Active Directory is stopped
- Reduces overall DC servicing requirements with Server Core





Group Policy Preferences

- Group Policy Preferences lets you create a do-ityourself group policy setting out of, well, just about anything... with a few mouse clicks
- Built into Windows Server 2008 GPMC
- Part of the Desktop Standard acquisition
- Remote Server Admin Tools (RSAT) delivered for Vista
- Can be utilized on Windows Server 2003, Windows XP, Windows Vista, as well as Windows Server 2008

http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsserver/grouppolicy/default.aspx http://support.microsoft.com/Default.aspx?kbid=943729



Kerberos AES Support

Client	Server	KDC	
Down-level	Down-level	Server 2008	TGT may be encrypted with AES if necessary based on policy
Down-level	Vista	Server 2008	Service ticket encryption in AES
Vista	Vista	Server 2008	All messages in AES
Vista	Vista	Down-level	GSS encryption in AES
Vista	Down-level	Server 2008	AS-REQ/REP, TGS-REQ/REP in AES.
Down-level	Vista	Down-level	No AES
Vista	Down level	Down level	No AES
Down-level	Down-level	Down-level	No AES

For TGTs to be AES the domain must be Windows Server 2008 Functional Level.





Kerberos Resources

- Kerberos: http://www.microsoft.com/kerberos
- MSDN Authentication: http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/aa374735.aspx





Audit Logs

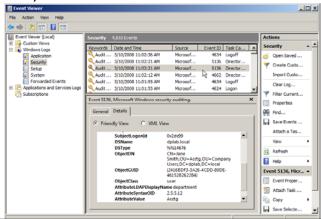
- In Windows Server 2008 you can now set up AD DS auditing with a new audit subcategory to log old and new values when changes are made to objects and their attributes.
- In Windows 2000 Server and Windows Server 2003, there
 was one audit policy, Audit directory service access, that
 controlled whether auditing for directory service events was
 enabled or disabled. In Windows Server 2008, this policy is
 divided into four subcategories:
 - Directory Service Access
 - Directory Service Changes
 - Directory Service Replication
 - Detailed Directory Service Replication





Directory Services Auditing

- A new event (5136) is generated when the action is performed on the object
- This event lists the previous value of the changed attribute, and the new value



Fine-Grained Passwords

- Before Windows Server 2008
 - One password policy per domain
- In Windows Server 2008
 - Still set only one password policy at domain level
 - Additional settings for users needing different policy available in ADSIEdit
 - These settings are called Password Settings objects (PSOs)
- Does NOT apply to:
 - Computer objects
 - Organizational Units
- Requires Windows Server 2008 Domain Functional Mode

Fine-Grained Passwords

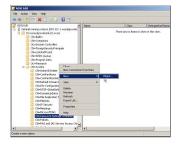
- PSO settings include attributes for the following password and account settings:
 - Enforce password history
 - Maximum password age
 - Minimum password age
 - Minimum password length
 - Passwords must meet complexity requirements
 - Store passwords using reversible encryption
 - Account lockout duration
 - Account lockout threshold
 - Reset account lockout after

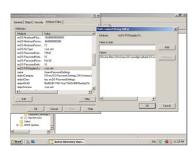
Fine-Grained Passwords

- A user or group object can have multiple PSOs linked to it, either because of membership in multiple groups that each have different PSOs applied to them or because multiple PSOs are applied to the object directly.
- However, only one PSO can be applied as the effective password policy.
- Only the settings from that PSO can affect the user or group.
- The settings from other PSOs that are linked to the user or group cannot be merged in any way.

Fine-Grained Passwords

- To create and manage use one of the following tools:
 - ADSIEdit
 - LDIF





Fine-Grained Passwords

LDIF file sample:

• To import:

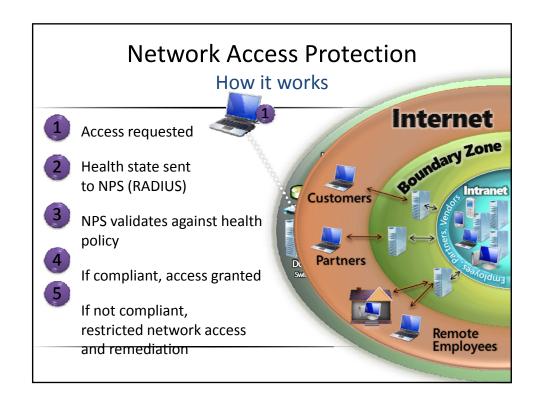
Ldifde -i -f c:\pso.ldf

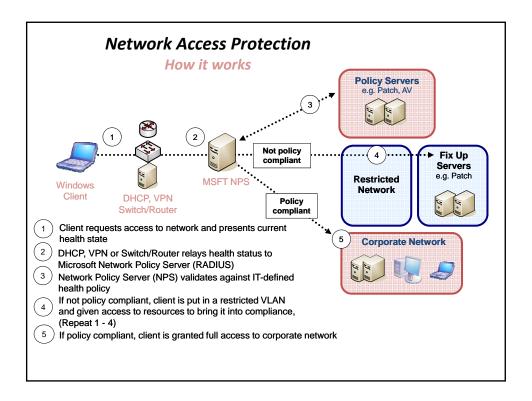
Fine-Grained Passwords

- Some 3rd-Party freeware tools:
 - Fine Grain Password Policy Tool
 - http://blogs.chrisse.se/blogs/chrisse/archive/2007/07/14/fine-grain-password-policy-toolbeta-1-is-ready.aspx
 - Fine-Grained Password Policies pack for PowerGUI
 - http://dmitrysotnikov.wordpress.com/2007/06/19/free-ui-console-for-fine-grainedpassword-policies
 - Specops Password Policy Basic
 - http://www.specopssoft.com/wiki/ index.php/SpecopsPassword
 Policybasic/SpecopsPassword
 Policybasic



Network Security Changes • Network Access Protection (NAP) • TCP/IP changes • Secure Socket Tunneling Protocol (SSTP) • Advanced Firewall





Network Access Protection

- 4 Modes
 - 802.1x NAP enforcement
 - Enforcement on the switch/router level
 - VPN NAP enforcement
 - Enforcement for remote connections
 - · Enforcement by packet filtering
 - DHCP NAP enforcement
 - Only applied when a client lease is obtained or renewed
 - · Avoid configuring long leases
 - Can be circumvented by static IP assignment
 - Terminal Services Gateway NAP enforcement
 - RDP (Remote Desktop Protocol) session will not be

NG TCP/IP

Next Generation TCP/IP in Vista and Server 2008 "Longhorn"

- A new, fully re-worked replacement of the old TCP/IP stack
- Dual-stack IPv6 implementation, with now obligatory IPSec
 - IPv6 is more secure than IPv4 by design, esp.:
 - · Privacy, tracking, network port scanning, confidentiality and integrity
- Other network-level security enhancements for both IPv4 and IPv6
 - Strong Host model
 - Windows Filtering Platform
 - Improved stack-level resistance to all known TCP/IP-based denial of service and other types of network attacks
 - Routing Compartments
 - Auto-configuration and no-restart reconfiguration
- Read: www.microsoft.com/technet/community/columns/cableguy/cg0905.mspx





TCP/IP protection

- Enhancements:
 - Smart TCP port allocation
 - SYN attack protection is enabled by default
 - New SYN attack notification IP Helper APIs
 - Winsock self-healing

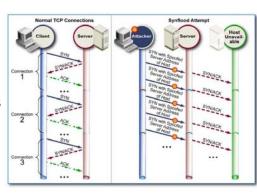
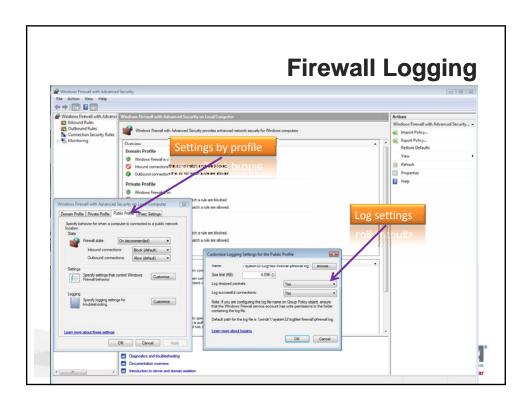
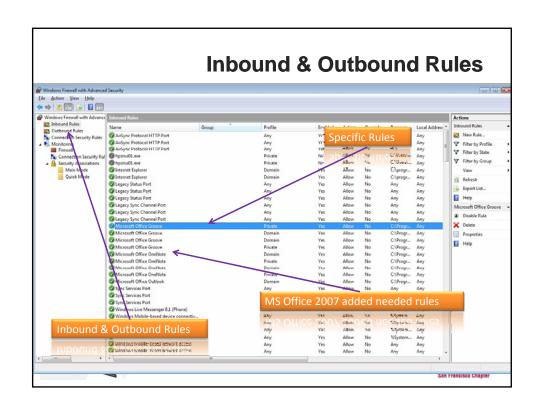


Figure 4-4. Synflood Attack







SSL VPN (VPN over SSL)

- Secure Socket Tunneling Protocol (SSTP)
- More accessibility
- Firewall port friendly
- Old technology available from 3rd parties







Data Protection

- BitLocker
- ADRMS











Windows Vista / Server 2008 Security

BITLOCKER™ DRIVE ENCRYPTION

BitLocker ™

- Over 600,000 laptops are stolen a year
- BitLocker ensures that data stored on a computer running Windows Vista / Server 2008 remains encrypted even if the computer is tampered with when the operating system is not running
- BitLocker is designed to offer a seamless user experience





BitLock



- Preventing off-line modifications
- Entire drive encryption
- TPM (Trusted Platform Module) to store key
- Can use additional protection factors such as a USB dongle, PIN or password
- Data recovery strategy must be planned carefully!
- Single digit performance hit (overhead)





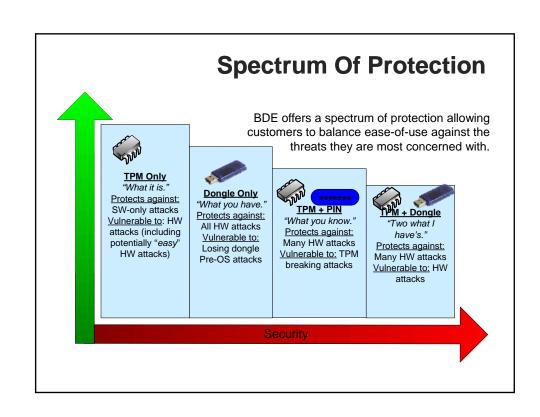
Trusted Platform Module TPM Chip Version 1.2

- Hardware present in the computer, usually a chip on the motherboard
- Securely stores credentials, such as a private key of a machine certificate and is crypto-enabled
 - Effectively, the essence of a smart smartcard
- TPM can be used to request encryption and digital signing of code and files and for mutual authentication of devices
- See www.trustedcomputinggroup.org









Deployment Options

- Dongle Only: If you don't have TPM you can deploy BitLocker with the key on a USB device
- TPM only: You can use BitLocker with TPM
- TPM & PIN: you can use a PIN number in addition for added security
- TPM & Dongle: For the greatest protection





Hardware and Software requirements

- A computer that meets the minimum requirements for Windows Vista / Server 2008.
- A TPM microchip, version 1.2, turned on.
- A Trusted Computing Group (TCG)-compliant BIOS
- Two NTFS drive partitions, one for the system volume and one for the operating system volume. The system volume partition must be at least 1.5 gigabytes (GB) and set as the active partition
- A BIOS setting to start up first from the hard drive, not the USB or CD drives.



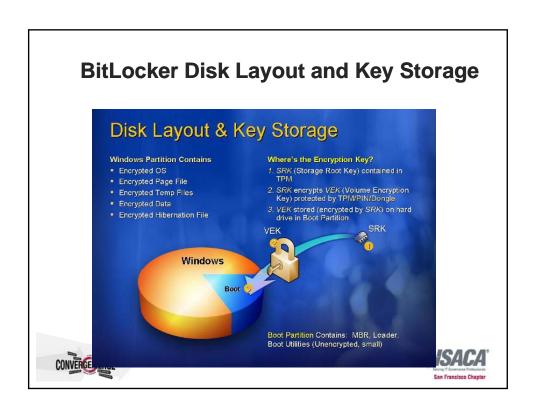


Partitioning a Hard Disk for BitLocker

- 1st partition, system volume, (label "S" for example) contains unencrypted boot information
- 2nd partition, operating system volume (label "C" for example) contains encrypted user data and operating system







Recovery Password

- During the setup process you can save the recovery password in the following ways.
 - Save the password on a USB drive
 - Save the password in a folder
 - Print the password
 - In Active Directory
- The password is so important that it is recommended that you make additional copies of the password stored in safe places to assure you access to your data





Tampering & Recovery

- You BitLocker will enter recovery mode, and you will need a recovery password to regain access to the data if,
 - The TPM is missing or changed
 - Or if the startup information has changed
- Recovery happens so early in the startup process, the accessibility features of Windows are not available.
- BitLocker Drive Encryption Recovery Console





BitLocker & TPM: GPO

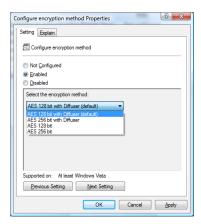
- You can configure these settings in the following location within the Group Policy Object Editor:
 - Computer Configuration\Administrative
 Templates\Windows Components\BitLocker Drive
 Encryption
- You can configure these settings in the following location in the Group Policy Object Editor:
 - Computer Configuration\Administrative
 Templates\System\Trusted Platform Module Services



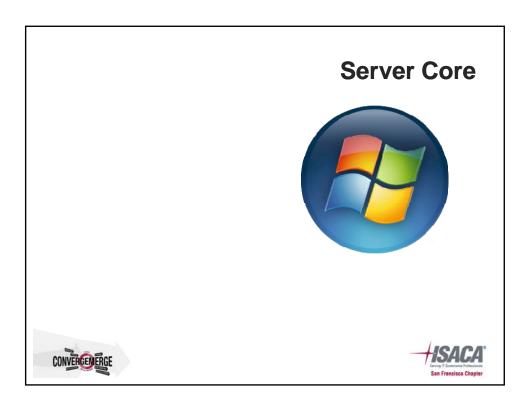


Performance & Security

- 4 levels of AES encryption
- 128 & 256 bit
- the diffuser is a new unproven algorithm
- diffuser runs in about 10 clock cycles/byte
- Combination with AES-CBC for performance & security









Server Core Roles

- Active Directory Domain Services Role
- Active Lightweight Directory Services Role
- Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)
- Domain Name System (DNS) Server Role
- File Services Role
- Hyper-V Role
- Print Services Role
- Streaming Media Services Role
- Web Services (IIS) Role





Server Core Supported Features

- Backup
- BitLocker
- Failover Clustering
- Multipath I/O
- Network Time Protocol (NTP)
- Removable Storage Management
- Simple Network management protocol (SNMP)
- Subsystem for Unix-based applications
- Telnet Client
- Windows Internet Naming Service (WINS)





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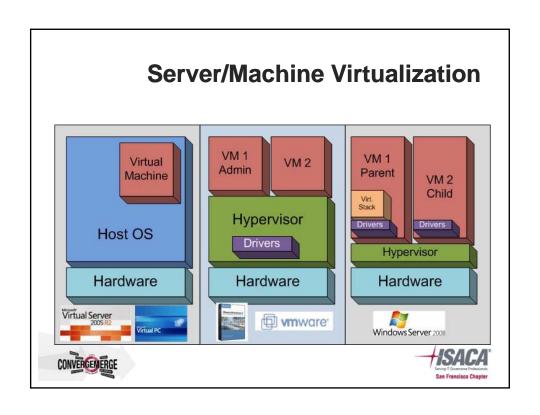


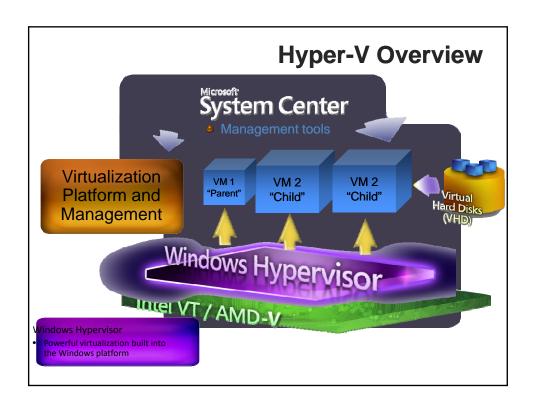
Features

- 64 and 32 bit support, 4 core support
- New better I/O support with synthetic device drives instead of emulated drivers
- Because there is no emulation overhead goes down and I/O response goes up
- Enlightened OS
- OS is aware it is running virtualized
- Vista SP 1 and Server 2008 support, patch for server 2003 soon
- 3rd party Zensource will have an upgrade for various flavors of Linux so that they can be enlightened

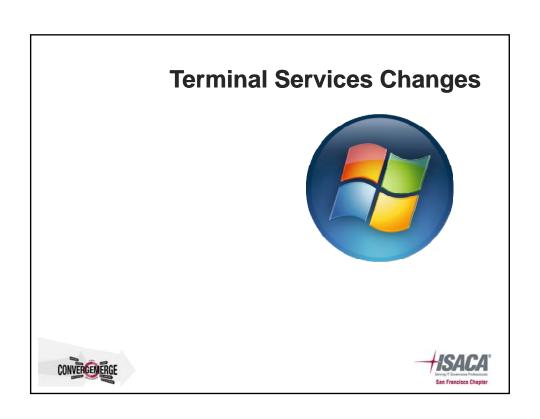


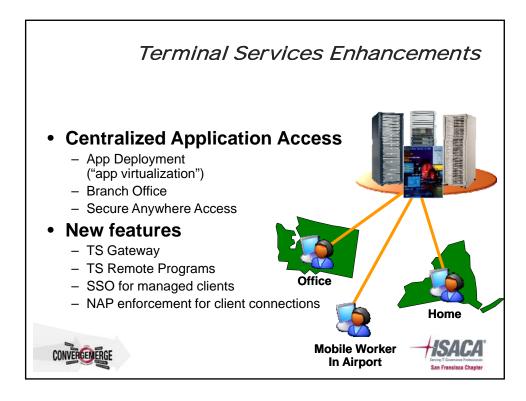






Microsoft Hyper-V'Server Windows Server 2008 Standard without Hyper-V' Windows Server 2008 Enterprise without Hyper-V' Windows Server 2008 Datacenter without Hyper-V'





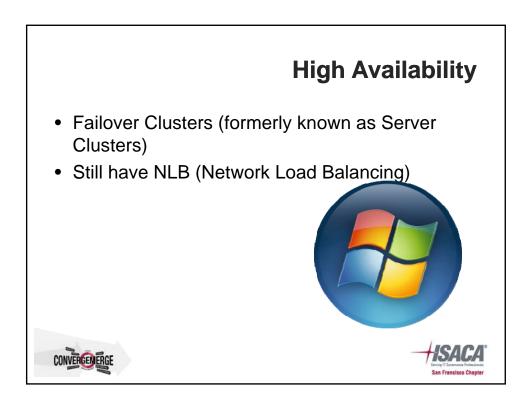
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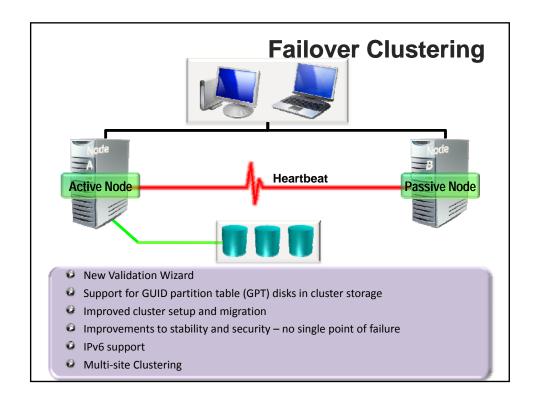
Security (compared to VPN)

- Authentication with passwords, smartcards
- Uses industry standard encryption and firewall traversal (SSL, HTTPS)
- RDP traffic still encrypted end-to-end client to terminal server
- Client machine health can be validated (using NAP)
- SSL termination devices can terminate SSL traffic on separate device. (for intrusion detection or filtering in DMZ)
- User can access applications and desktops via Web Browser
- Friendly with home machines
- Crosses firewalls and NATs (w/ HTTPS:443)
- Granular access control at the perimeter
 - Connection Authorization Policy (CAP)
 - Resource Authorization Policy (RAP)



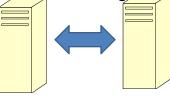






Cluster Security Improvements

- No More Cluster Service User Account
- The Cluster runs with Local System Account with low privileges
- No Account Password Management
- More Resilient for Configuration Issues







Virtual Machine Clustering

- Tight integration of Hyper-V with Clustering
 - Wizards for creating highly available VM's
 - New resource type to enable Quick Migrations
 - · No more clunky scripts





Geographically Dispersed Clusters

- No More Single-Subnet Limitation
 - Allow cluster nodes to communicate across network routers
 - No more having to connect nodes with VLANs!
- Configurable Heartbeat Timeouts
 - Increase to Extend Geographically Dispersed Clusters over greater distances
 - Decrease to detect failures faster and take recovery actions for quicker failover

Questions

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Windows 7

- AppLocker
- BitLocker
- Direct Access
- User Account Control
- Windows Filtering Platform (WFP)
- Biometrics Support
- SmartCard Support
- System Restore
- Windows Defender
- DNSSEC Support
- Action Center







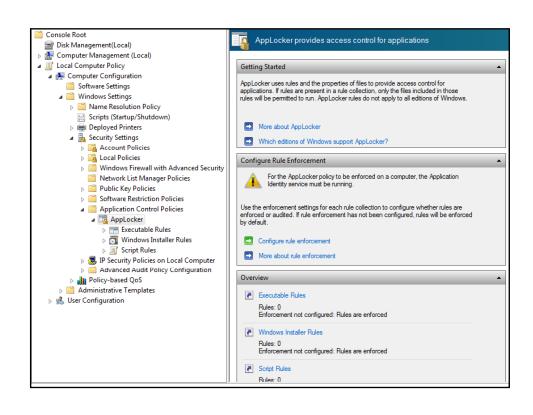
Windows 7 Goals

- Fundamentally Secure Platform
 - Windows Vista Foundation
 - Streamlined UAC
 - Enhanced Auditing
- Protect Users & Infrastructure
- Secure Anywhere access
- · Protect Data for Unauthorized Viewing



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Windows Filtering Platform (WFP)

- group of APIs and system services that allow third party vendors to tap further into Windows' native firewall resources
- The idea is that third parties can take advantage of aspects of the Microsoft Windows Firewall in their own products. Microsoft says "third-party products also can selectively turn parts of the Windows Firewall on or off, enabling you to choose which software firewall you want to use and have it coexist with Windows Firewall





Multiple Active Firewall Policies

- Windows 7 and WFP in particular permit multiple firewall policies, so IT professionals can maintain a single set of rules for remote clients and for clients that are physically connected to their networks
- Only one profile at a time with Vista
- Multiple profiles, each connection has it own profile
 - Connect to home network then start a VPN which policy is applied?

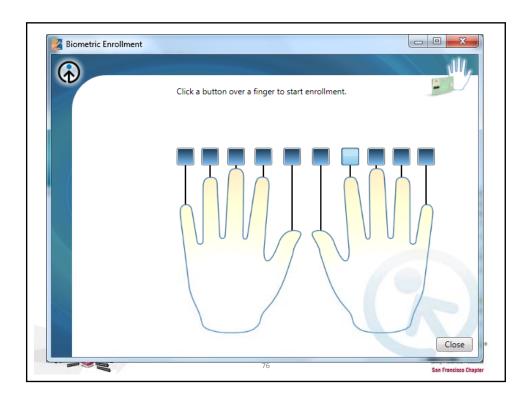


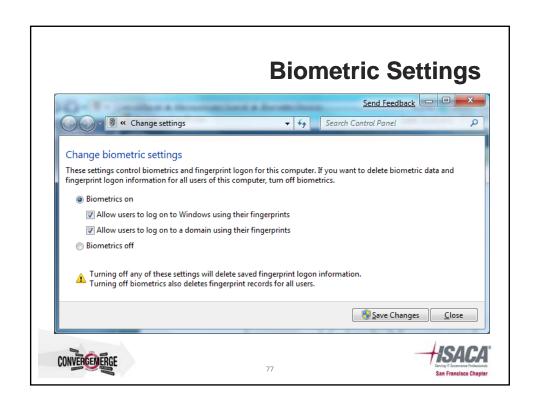


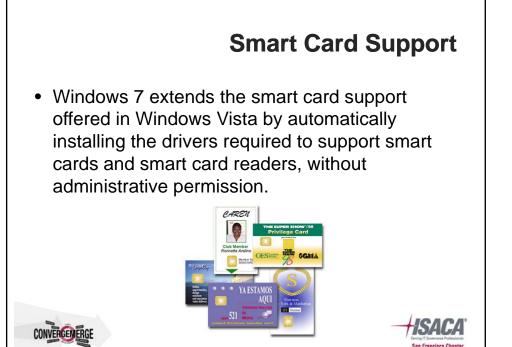
Biometrics Support

 Biometrics enhancements include easier reader configurations, allowing users to manage the fingerprint data stored on the computer and control how they log on to Windows 7









System Restore

- System Restore includes a list of programs that will be removed or added, providing users with more information before they choose which restore point to use
- Restore points are also available in backups, providing a larger list to choose from, over a longer period of time





System Restore

- First, System Restore displays a list of specific files that will be removed or added at each restore point.
- Second, restore points are now available in backups, giving IT professionals and others a greater list of options over a longer period of time





BranchCache

Microsoft recommends that users run Windows
7 clients in conjunction with Windows 2008 R2
servers in order to get the benefit of
BranchCache, a caching application that makes
networked applications faster and more
responsive



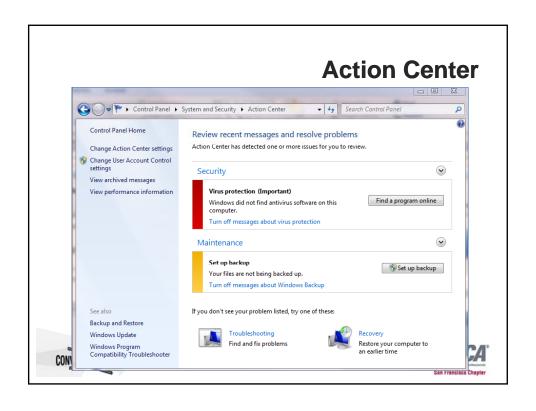


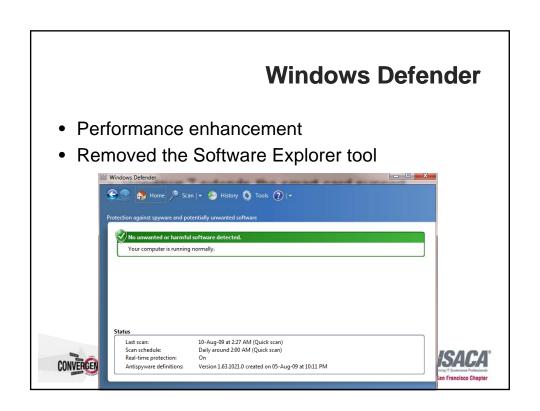
Action Center

- Action Center includes alerts and configuration settings for several existing features, including:
 - Security Center
 - Problem, Reports, and Solutions
 - Windows Defender
 - Windows Update
 - Diagnostics
 - Network Access Protection
 - Backup and Restore
 - Recovery
 - User Account Control







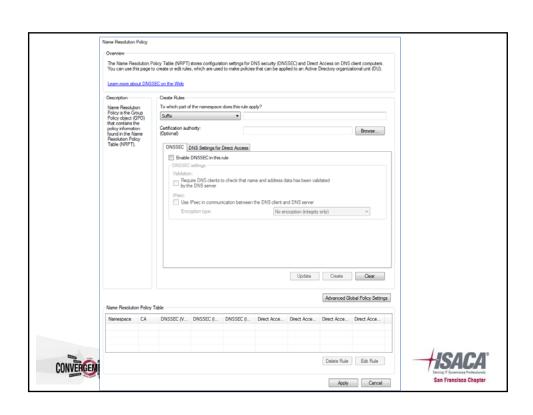


DNSSEC

 Windows 7 also supports Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC), newly established protocols that give organizations greater confidence that DNS records are not being spoofed





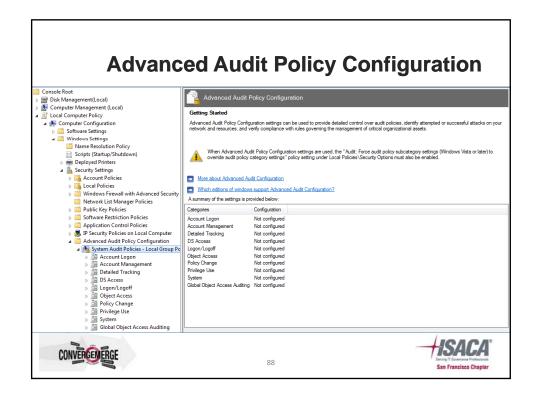


Event Auditing

- Windows 7 also makes enhancements to event auditing
- Regulatory and business requirements are easier to fulfill through management of audit configurations, monitoring of changes made by specific people or groups, and more-granular reporting.
- For example, Windows 7 reports why someone was granted or denied access to specific information.







Vista / Windows 7

- Kernel Patch Protection
- Service Hardening
- Data Execution Prevention
- Address Space Layout Randomization
- Mandatory Integrity Levels





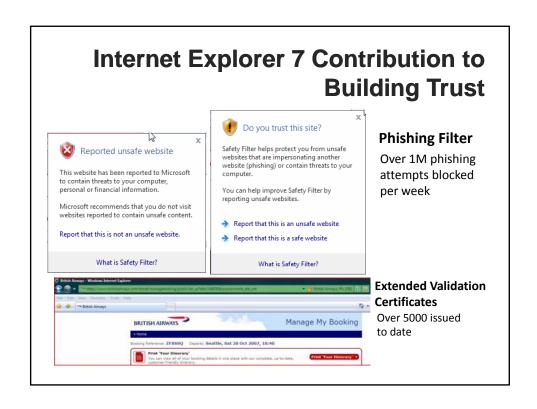
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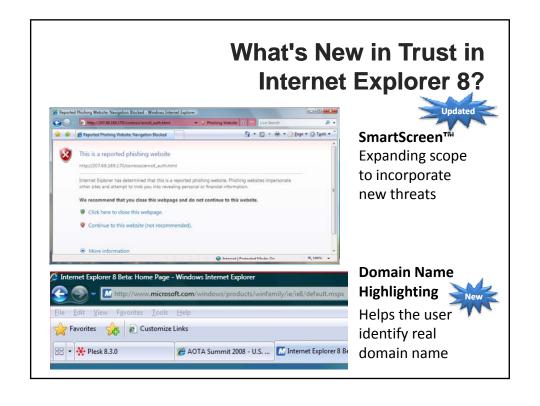


Internet Explorer 8 security features target three major sources of security exploits: social engineering, Web server, and browser-based vulnerabilities













Group Policy (over 1300 in IE8)

- Control browser features, ex : Turn on/off Phishing Filter
- Configure browser features, ex : home page, favorites
- Enforce security settings, ex: trusted sites
- New features exposed through group policy



Support Infrastructure

- Pay per incident support available to everyone
- Support agreements for Windows OS include support for Internet Explorer
- Professional support organization provides issue resolution

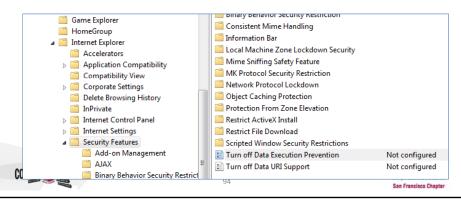


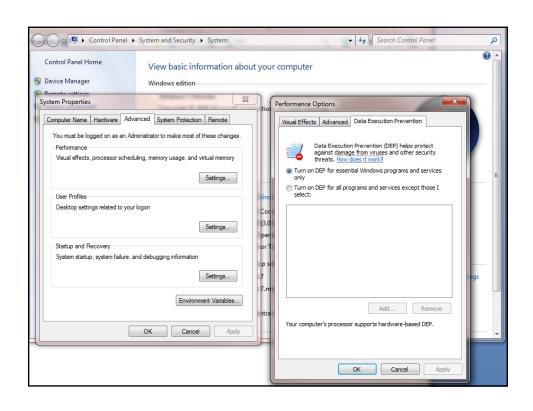
New in IE8 – Crash Recovery

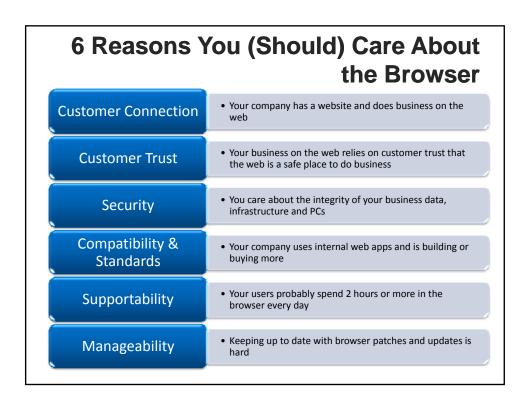
- Tabs isolated into separate processes one tab crashing does not bring down the browser
- Crash recovery reloads tabs when they crash

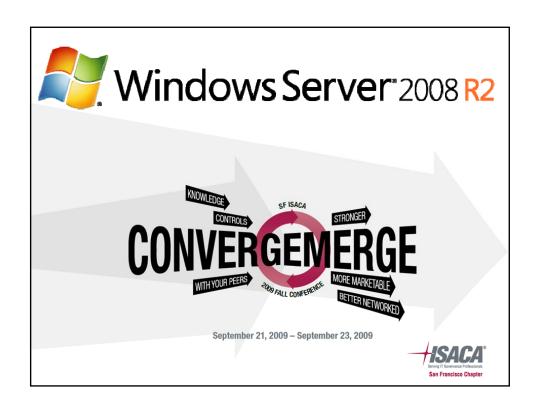
IE 8 DEP

- Internet Explorer 7 on Windows Vista introduced an DEP off-by-default
- DEP enabled by default for IE 8 on Windows Server 2008 and Windows Vista SP1 and later









Windows Server 2008 R2

- BitLocker
- Virtual Accounts
- Managed Service Accounts
- Hyper-V R2
- Cluster Failover
- Live Migration





Managed Service Accounts

- Services sometimes require network identity e.g. SQL, IIS
- Before, domain account was only option
 - Required administrator to manage password and Service Principal Names (SPN)
 - Management could cause outage while clients updated to use new password
- Windows Server 2008 R2 Active Directory introduces Managed Service Accounts (MSA)
 - New AD class
 - Password and SPN automatically managed by AD like computer accounts
 - Configured via PowerShell scripts
 - Limitation: can be assigned to one system only





Virtual Accounts

- Want better isolation than existing service accounts
 - Don't want to manage passwords
- Virtual accounts are like service accounts:
 - Process runs with virtual SID as principal
 - · Can ACL objects to that SID
 - System-managed password
 - Show up as computer account when accessing network
- · Services can specify a virtual account
 - Account name must be "NT SERVICE\<service>"
 - Service control manager verifies that service name matches account name
 - Service control manager creates a user profile for the account
- Also used by IIS app pool and SQL Server



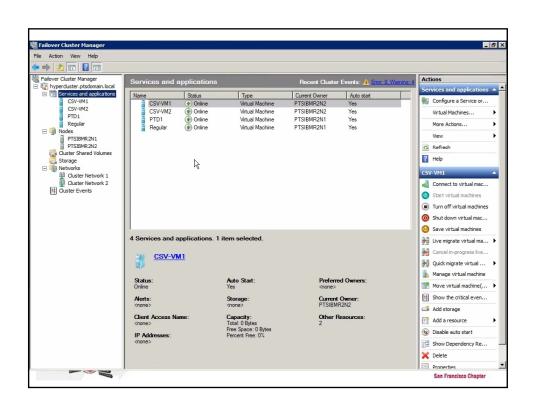


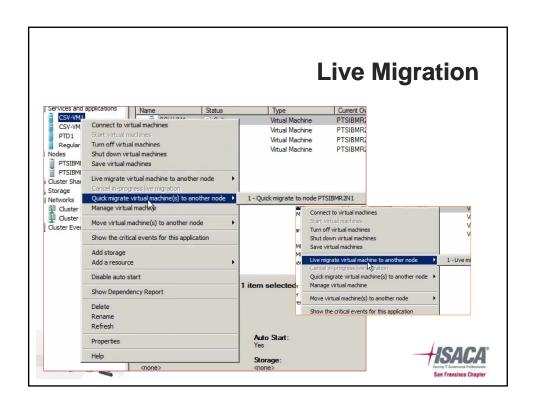
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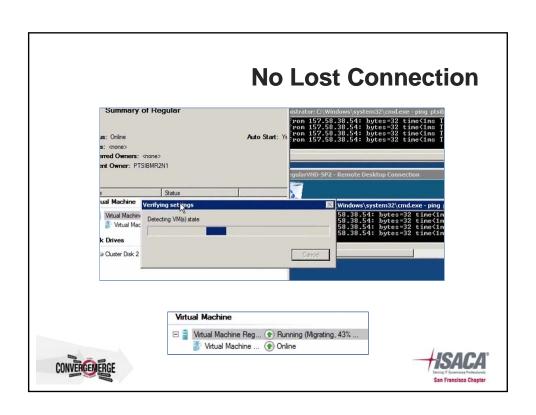
- Quick Migration
 - Pauses the virtual machine
 - Moves the virtual machine
 - Resume the virtual machine
- Live Migration
 - Move virtual machine without stopping
- Cluster Fail Over
 - Automatic failover for virtual machines

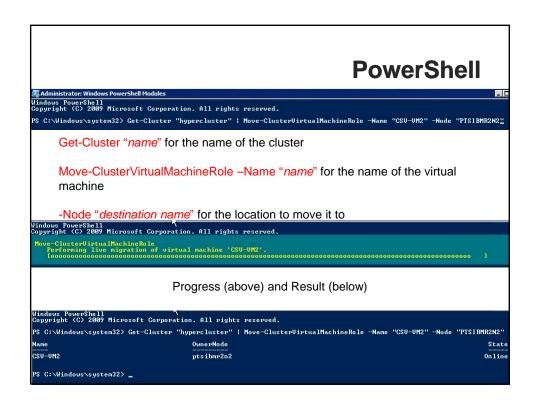


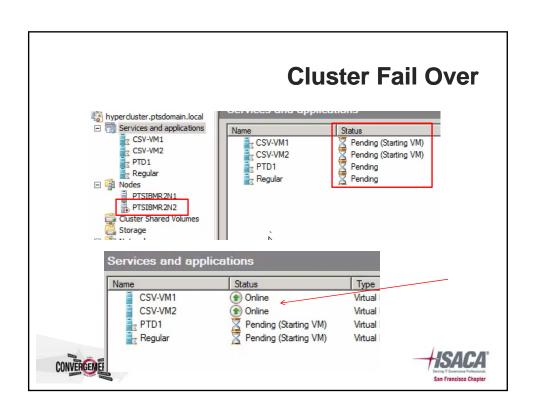












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