

1 DBMS cPP SECURITY PROBLEM DEFINITION

In this document the security problem definition (SPD) for a DBMS is described. First, the informal discussion of the SPD is presented followed by a more formal description in terms of the identified threats, policies, and assumptions that will be used to identify the specific security requirements addressed by this cPP.

1.1 Informal Discussion

Given their common usage as repositories of high value data, attackers routinely target DBMS installations for compromise. Typical patterns of attack are:

- Attacking design flaws and programming bugs in the DBMS and the associated programs and systems, creating various security vulnerabilities (e.g. weak or ineffective access controls) which can lead to data being stolen, data loss/corruption or alteration, DBMS performance degradation etc.
- Unauthorized or unintended activity or misuse by existing database users or network/systems managers (e.g. inappropriate access to sensitive data, metadata or functions within databases, or inappropriate changes to the database programs, structures or security configurations).
- Malware infections causing incidents such as unauthorized access, leakage or disclosure of personal or proprietary data, deletion of or damage to the data or programs, interruption or denial of authorized access to the database, attacks on other systems and the unanticipated failure of database services
- Data corruption and/or loss caused by the entry of invalid data or commands, mistakes in database or system administration processes, sabotage/criminal damage etc.

1.2 Assets and Threat Agents

The threats given in Section 1.3 refer to various threat agents and assets. The term "threat agent" is defined in CC Part 1.

The assets, mentioned in Table 1 below, are either defined in CC Part 1, or in the glossary which will be provided in the Appendix of the cPP document.

The terms "TSF data", "TSF" and "user data", are defined in CC Part 1. The terms "executable code within the TSF", "public objects", "TOE resources" and "configuration data" are given in the glossary which will be provided in the Appendix of the cPP document.

1.3 Threats

The following threats are identified and addressed by the TOE and should be read in conjunction with the threat rationale.

Compliant TOEs will provide security functionality that addresses threats to the TOE and implements policies that are imposed by the organization, law or regulation.

Table 1: Threats Applicable to the TOE

Threat	Definition
T.ACCESS_TSFDATA	A threat agent may read or modify TSF data using functions of the TOE without being identified, authenticated and authorized.
T.ACCESS_TSFFUNC	A threat agent may use or manage TSF, bypassing the protection mechanisms of the TSF.
T.IA_MASQUERADE	A user or a process acting on behalf of a user may masquerade as an authorized entity in order to gain unauthorized access to user data, TSF data, or TOE resources.
T.IA_USER	A threat agent may gain access to user data, TSF data, or TOE resources with the exception of public objects without the agent being identified and authenticated.
T.RESIDUAL_DATA	A user or a process acting on behalf of a user may gain unauthorized access to user or TSF data through reallocation of TOE resources from one user or process to another.
T.TSF_COMPROMISE	A user or a process acting on behalf of a user may cause configuration data to be inappropriately accessed (viewed, modified or deleted), or may inappropriately alter executable code within the TSF.
T.UNAUTHORIZED_ACCESS	A threat agent may gain unauthorized access, in conflict with the TOE security policy, to user data.

1.4 Organizational Security Policies

The following organizational security policies are addressed by cPP-conformant TOEs:

Table 2: Policies Applicable to the TOE

Policy	Definition
P.ACCOUNTABILITY	The authorized users of the TOE shall be held accountable for their actions within the TOE.
P.ROLES	Administrative authority to TSF functionality shall be given to trusted personnel and be as restricted as possible supporting only the administrative duties the person has. This role shall be separate and distinct from other authorized users.
P.USER	Authority shall only be given to users who are trusted to perform the actions correctly and are permitted by the organization to access TOE user data.

1.5 Assumptions

This section contains assumptions regarding the IT environment in which the TOE will reside.

Table 3: Assumptions Applicable to the TOE Environment

Assumption	Definition
Physical aspects	
A.PHYSICAL	The IT environment provides the TOE with appropriate physical security, commensurate with the value of the IT assets protected by the TOE.
Personnel aspects	
A.AUTHUSER	Authorized users possess the necessary authorization to access the information managed by the TOE in accordance with organization information access policies.
A.MANAGE	The TOE security functionality is managed by one or more competent, authorized administrators. The system administrative personnel are not careless, willfully negligent, or hostile, and will follow and abide by the instructions provided by the guidance documentation.
A.TRAINEDUSER	Authorized users are sufficiently trained and trusted to accomplish a task or a group of tasks within a secure IT environment by exercising control over their user data.
Procedural aspects	
A.NO_GENERAL_PURPOSE	There are no general-purpose computing capabilities (e.g., compilers or user applications) available on DBMS servers, other than those services necessary for the operation, administration, and support of the DBMS.
A.PEER_FUNC_&_MGT	All remote IT systems trusted by the TSF to provide TSF data or services to the TOE, or to support the TSF in the enforcement of security policy decisions are assumed to correctly implement the functionality used by the TSF consistent with the assumptions defined for this functionality and to be properly managed and operate under security policy constraints compatible with those of the TOE.
A.SUPPORT	Any information provided by a trusted entity in the IT environment and used to support the provision of time and date, information used in audit capture, user authentication, and authorization that is used by the TOE is correct and up to date.
Connectivity aspects	
A.CONNECT	All connections to and from remote trusted IT systems and between separate parts of the TSF are physically and/or logically protected within the TOE environment to ensure the integrity and confidentiality of the data transmitted and to ensure the authenticity of the communication end points.