

Yubico PAM module

The Yubico PAM module provides an easy way to integrate the Yubikey into your existing user authentication infrastructure. PAM is used by GNU/Linux, Solaris and Mac OS X for user authentication, and by other specialized applications such as NCSA MyProxy.

1. Status and Roadmap

The module is working for single-user systems.

Several items have been identified that needs to be implemented before it can reach production quality:

- Verification of server signature
- Generating signature on request
- HTTPS support
- Multi-user mappings from Yubikey to username.

The development community is co-ordinated via Google Code:

<http://code.google.com/p/yubico-pam/>

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2. Building from SVN

Skip to the next section if you are using an official packaged version.

You may check out the sources using SVN with the following command:

```
svn checkout http://yubico-pam.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/ yubico-pam
```

This will create a directory *yubico-pam*. Enter the directory:

```
cd yubico-pam
```

Autoconf and automake must be installed. For the documentation, asciidoc and docbook are also required.

Generate the build system using:

```
autoreconf --install
```

3. Building

You will need to have libcurl (curl.h, libcurl.so) and libpam-dev (security/pam_appl.h, libpam.so) installed.

The build system uses Autoconf, to set up the build system run:

```
./configure
```

Then build the code, run the self-test and install the binaries:

```
make check install
```

4. Configuration

Install it in your PAM setup by adding a line to an appropriate file in /etc/pam.d/:

```
auth sufficient pam_yubico.so id=16 debug
```

and create a symlink for pam_yubico.so in /lib/security/:

```
ln -s /usr/local/lib/security/pam_yubico.so /lib/security/
```

Supported PAM module parameters are:

```
"id":      to indicate your client identity,
"debug":   to enable debug output to stdout,
"alwaysok": to enable that all authentication attempts should succeed
            (aka presentation mode).
"url":     specify URL to use for verification, by default it is
            "http://api.yubico.com/wsapi/verify?id=%d&otp=%s"
            Be sure to have only two printf tokens in the string
            and that %d comes before %s. The %d will be replaced
            with the "id" value and %s with the user's OTP.
```

If you are using "debug" you may find it useful to create a world-writable log file:

```
touch /var/run/pam-debug.log
chmod go+w /var/run/pam-debug.log
```

5. Feedback

If you want to discuss anything related to the Yubico PAM module, please contact Simon Josefsson (<mailto:simon@yubico.com>).

6. Legal

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