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## DAL For MVS/VTAM and Authority List of DB2 (4/93)

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TOPIC -----

Is it true that DAL uses the authority list of DB2 running on MVS/VTAM, and not its own list?

DISCUSSION -----

Yes, DAL uses only the DBMS's authorization. DAL uses the operating systems's security package (RACF, ACF2, Top Secret, and so on) to verify a userid and password. When these are valid, DAL then passes the userid on to the DBMS and it determines all data access based on that userid. DAL has no "authorization" information, or qualification, of its own.  
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