

Assignment 4

Vulnerabilities search in shark cage

IMT 3501 Software Security

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Task

Find security vulnerabilities in the Secure Desktop Application.

Solution

We tried to use several different types of software to make an automated vulnerability scan with the existing code in the repository.

We tried to use:

- Gprofile 2011
- ICARUS – Use List Analyzer for Delphi
- CodeHealer for Delphi
 - Doesn't work with the Delphi project files (.dpr), but we don't know why
- Embacadero Delphi XE7 to try to compile the code, but it was impossible because there are missing code files
- Larzarus IDE v1.2.4 to try to compile the code...
- Delphi Code Analyzer (<http://sourceforge.net/projects/dca/>)
 - was only useful to calculate the code metrics, but not for finding vulnerabilities
- Pascal Browser 2 (http://www.peganza.com/products_pab.htm)
 - seems to be not useful in our case
- ModelMaker 11 Pascal
(<http://www.modelmakertools.com/modelmaker/history/mm1100.html>)
 - was not useful in our case
- Nexus Quality Suite – CoverageAnalyst
(<http://www.nexusdb.com/support/index.php>)
 - can only use binaries
- SourceMonitor – Tracks Source Code Quality and Quantity (Version 3.5.0.306)
(www.campwoodsw.com)
 - mainly for code metric analysis
- Pascal Analyzer (<http://www.peganza.com/#PAL>)
 - program showed a lot of code optimizations possibilities, but not no real vulnerabilities
 - we had only the free community edition from this tool, that's why the tool displayed only 2 items per section

After we tried to use these tools, we decided to inspect the code manually, in the hope of finding vulnerabilities. We found some vulnerabilities/bugs, which you can find summarized below.

In general

The libraries DataUtils, IniFiles, SysUtils, ShlObj, ActiveX, KnownFolder, AccCrl and AclApi are loaded.

Perhaps these libraries have known security gaps?

Perhaps a fault can appear through wtsapi32.dll

```
WTSAPIDLLNAME = 'wtsapi32.dll';
```

There are several external program calls for example:

```
"if SDCreateProcessWithTokenOnDesktop('C:\Windows\
system32\calc.exe', '', hNewToken, 'Default') then".
```

It's possible to manipulate the "calc.exe". What happens, if calc.exe is manipulated ?

SDAppInfo.dpr

Delphi project file: no vulnerabilities found

SDCommon.pas

line 16: Config file is loaded (`SecureDesktop.ini`)

→ What is the content of this file? Is it possible to manipulate this file? Can you modify the start up parameters.

line 23: `BackgroundBitmapFileName = 'Background.bmp'`

What does happen if we replace the file with a malicious file, e. g. what happens if we replace the background bitmap with a 4 GB file → does the program crash?

Line 111: BUG

Hardcoded path like this example is bad coding style.

```
StrPCopy(pszAppDataPath, 'C:\Users\hannol\AppData\Roaming');
```

line 334:

We think it is possible to change the displayed application logo, if the applications key is known.

SDInfoSecurity.pas

line 200: `"if (AProcessData.FileName = 'bds.exe') then"`

What is "bds.exe", and why is this checked ?

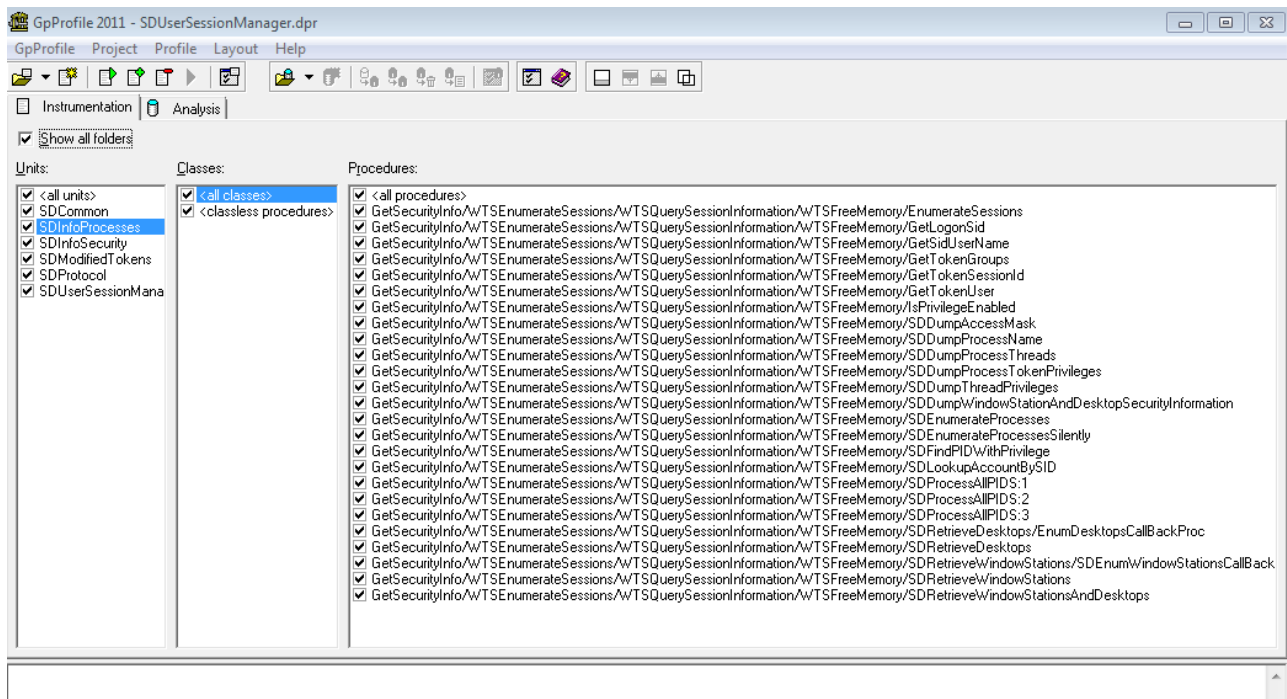
Line 409: `"cbName := 2048 + 1"`

Use of global variable, if the value changes, everything has to be modified manually.
Possible bugs could be created if this is ever refactored.

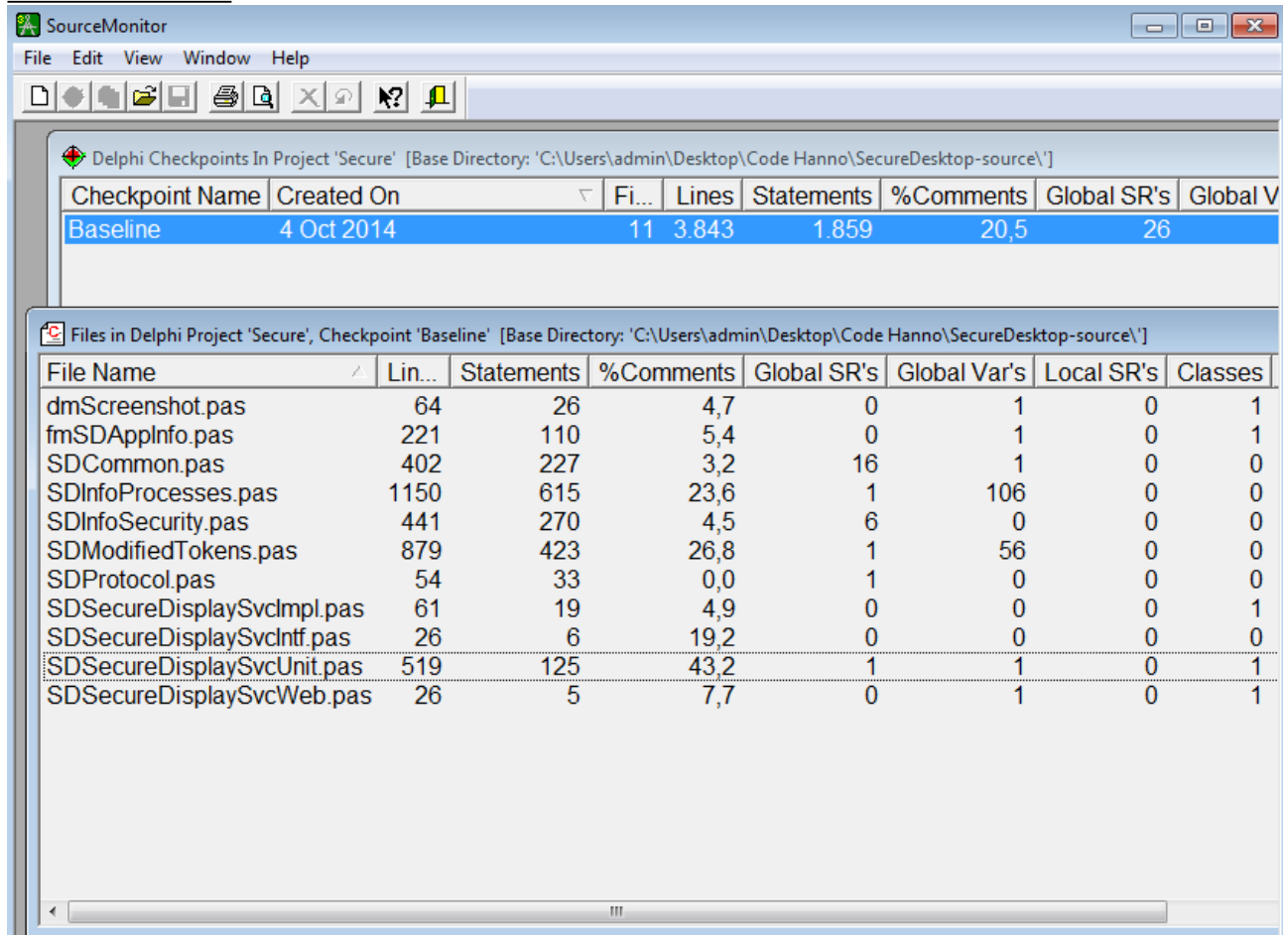
We found no other vulnerabilities, one reason is that the code is not well documented.
We think that the biggest vulnerability is that everything is logged very detailed.
As an attacker the first target should be reading the log file.

In the following pages are some screen shots of the used applications.

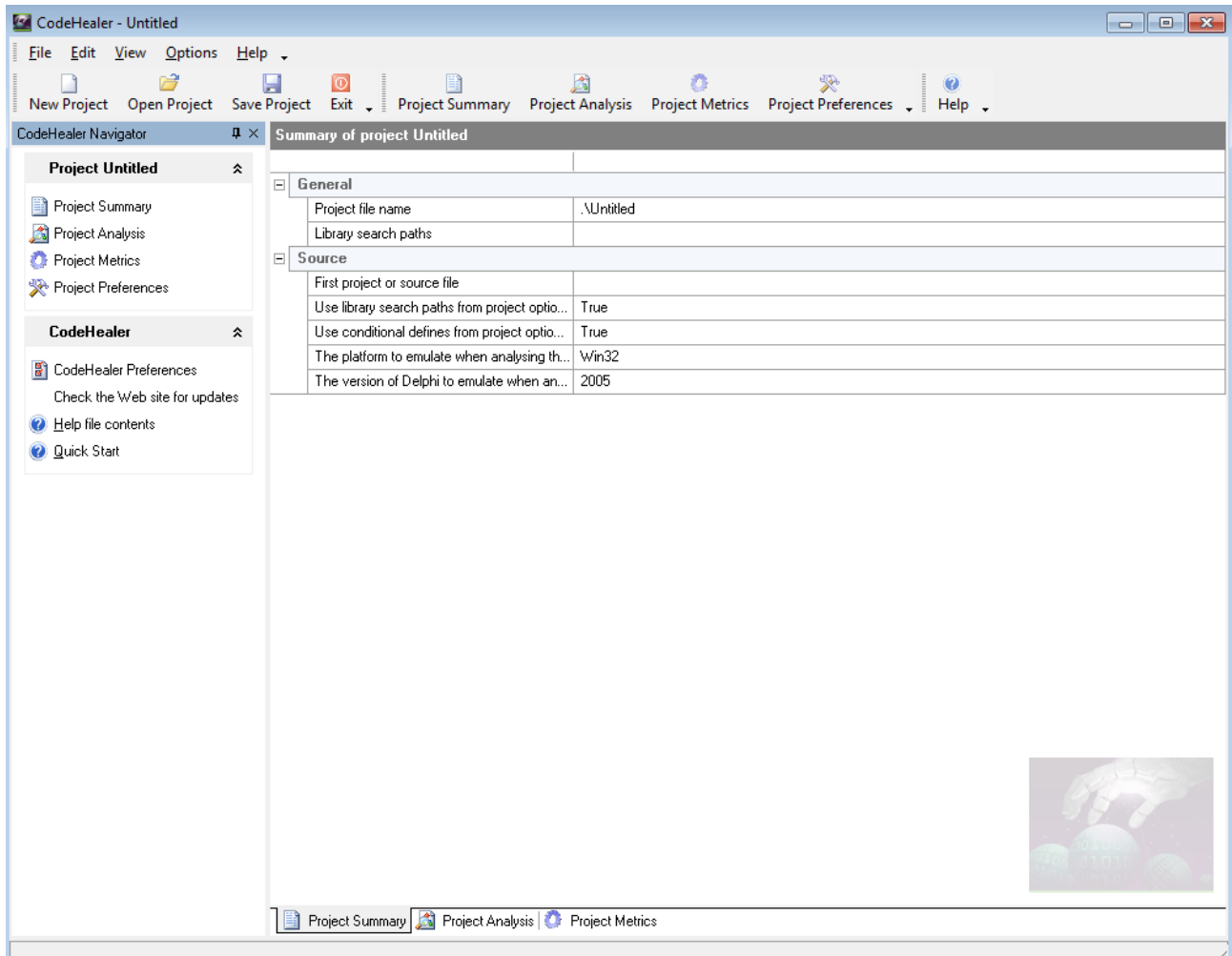
GpProfile 2011



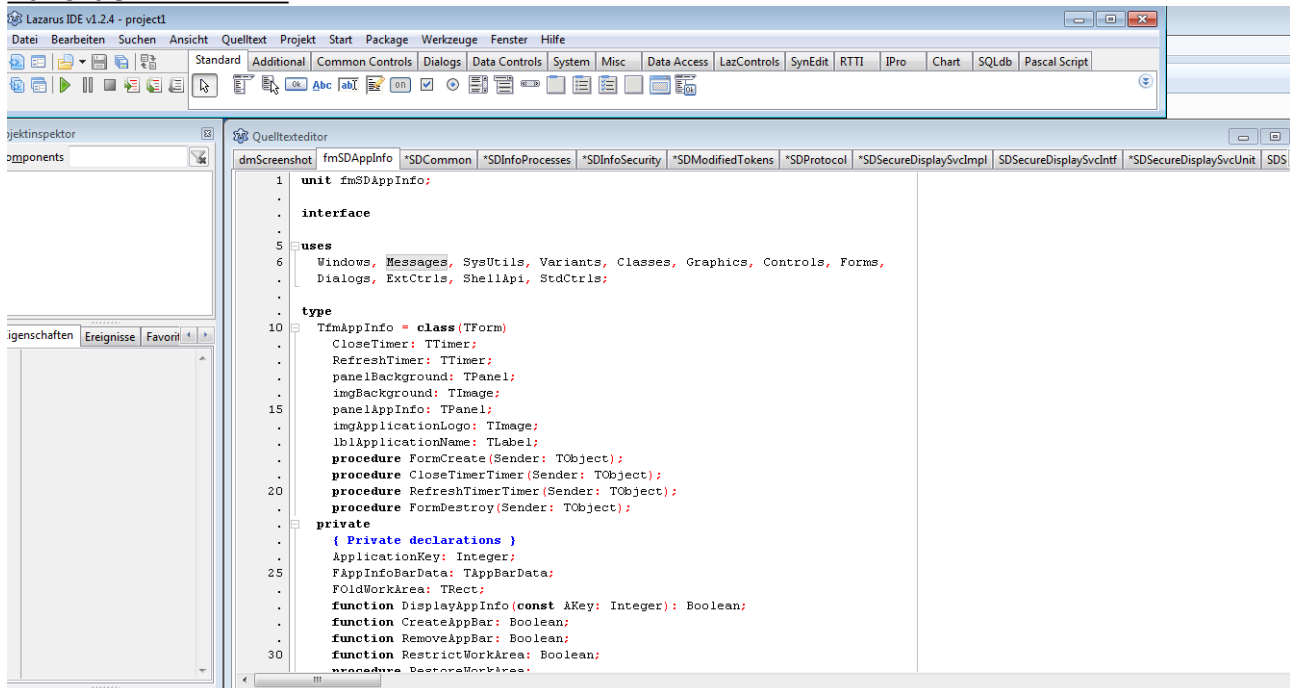
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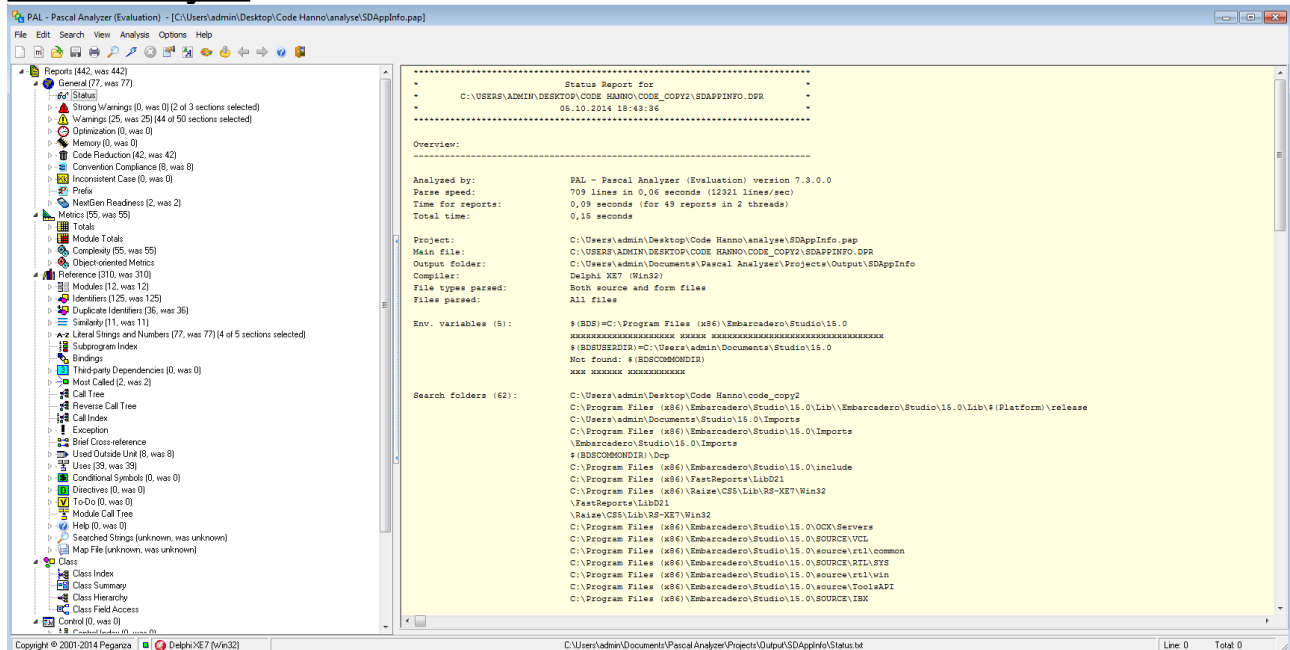
CodeHealer



Lazarus IDE v1.2.4



Pascal Analyzer



Embacadero Delphi EX7

