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Unsafe comparison of hash that are susceptible to timing attack

An attacker might be able to detect the value of the secret hash due to the exposure of comparison timing. When the functions Arrays.equals() or String.equals() are called, they will exit earlier if fewer bytes are matched.

Vulnerable Code:

String actualHash = ... if(userInput.equals(actualHash)) { ... }

Solution:

String actualHash = ... if(MessageDigest.isEqual(userInput.getBytes(),actualHash.getBytes())) { ... }

References

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