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Management Summary

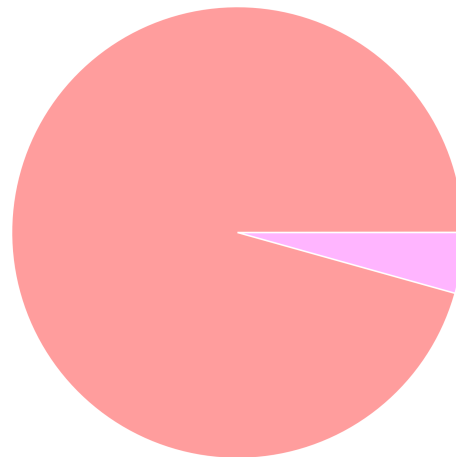
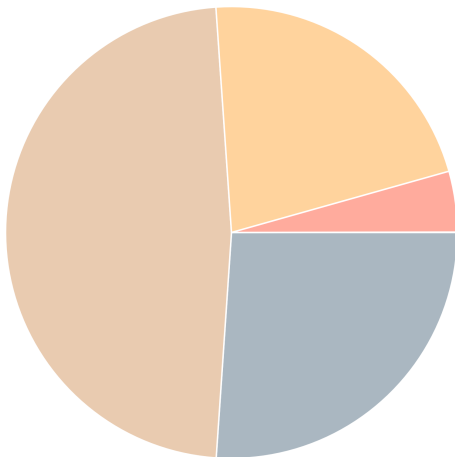
Threagile toolkit was used to model the architecture of "Wahlpflichtmodul" and derive risks by analyzing the components and data flows. The risks identified during this analysis are shown in the following chapters. Identified risks during threat modeling do not necessarily mean that the vulnerability associated with this risk actually exists: it is more to be seen as a list of potential risks and threats, which should be individually reviewed and reduced by removing false positives. For the remaining risks it should be checked in the design and implementation of "Wahlpflichtmodul" whether the mitigation advices have been applied or not.

Each risk finding references a chapter of the OWASP ASVS (Application Security Verification Standard) audit checklist. The OWASP ASVS checklist should be considered as an inspiration by architects and developers to further harden the application in a Defense-in-Depth approach. Additionally, for each risk finding a link towards a matching OWASP Cheat Sheet or similar with technical details about how to implement a mitigation is given.

In total **23 initial risks** in **13 categories** have been identified during the threat modeling process:

1 critical risk
0 high risk
5 elevated risk
11 medium risk
6 low risk

22 unchecked
0 in discussion
1 accepted
0 in progress
0 mitigated
0 false positive



Just some **more** custom summary possible here...

Impact Analysis of 23 Initial Risks in 13 Categories

The most prevalent impacts of the **23 initial risks** (distributed over **13 risk categories**) are (taking the severity ratings into account and using the highest for each category):

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Critical: [Some Individual Risk Example](#): 1 Initial Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely with Medium impact*.

Some text describing the impact...

Elevated: [Missing Authentication](#): 2 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely with Medium impact*.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access or modify sensitive data in an unauthenticated way.

Elevated: [XML External Entity \(XXE\)](#): 3 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely with Medium impact*.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to read sensitive files (configuration data, key/credential files, deployment files, business data files, etc.) from the filesystem of affected components and/or access sensitive services or files of other components.

Medium: [Missing Build Infrastructure](#): 1 Initial Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely with Medium impact*.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to exploit risks unseen in this threat model due to critical build infrastructure components missing in the model.

Medium: [Missing Hardening](#): 2 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely with Low impact*.

If this risk remains unmitigated, attackers might be able to easier attack high-value targets.

Medium: [Missing Two-Factor Authentication \(2FA\)](#): 2 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely with Medium impact*.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access or modify highly sensitive data without strong authentication.

Medium: [Missing Vault \(Secret Storage\)](#): 1 Initial Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely with Medium impact*.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to easier steal config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.) once a vulnerability to access files is present and exploited.

Medium: [Server-Side Request Forgery \(SSRF\)](#): 2 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely with Low impact*.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access sensitive services or files of network-reachable components by modifying outgoing calls of affected components.

Medium: [Unencrypted Technical Assets](#): 3 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely with Medium impact*.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access unencrypted data when successfully compromising sensitive components.

Low: **DoS-risky Access Across Trust-Boundary**: 2 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

If this risk remains unmitigated, attackers might be able to disturb the availability of important parts of the system.

Low: **Missing Network Segmentation**: 2 Initial Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers successfully attacking other components of the system might have an easy path towards more valuable targets, as they are not separated by network segmentation.

Low: **Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF)**: 1 Initial Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

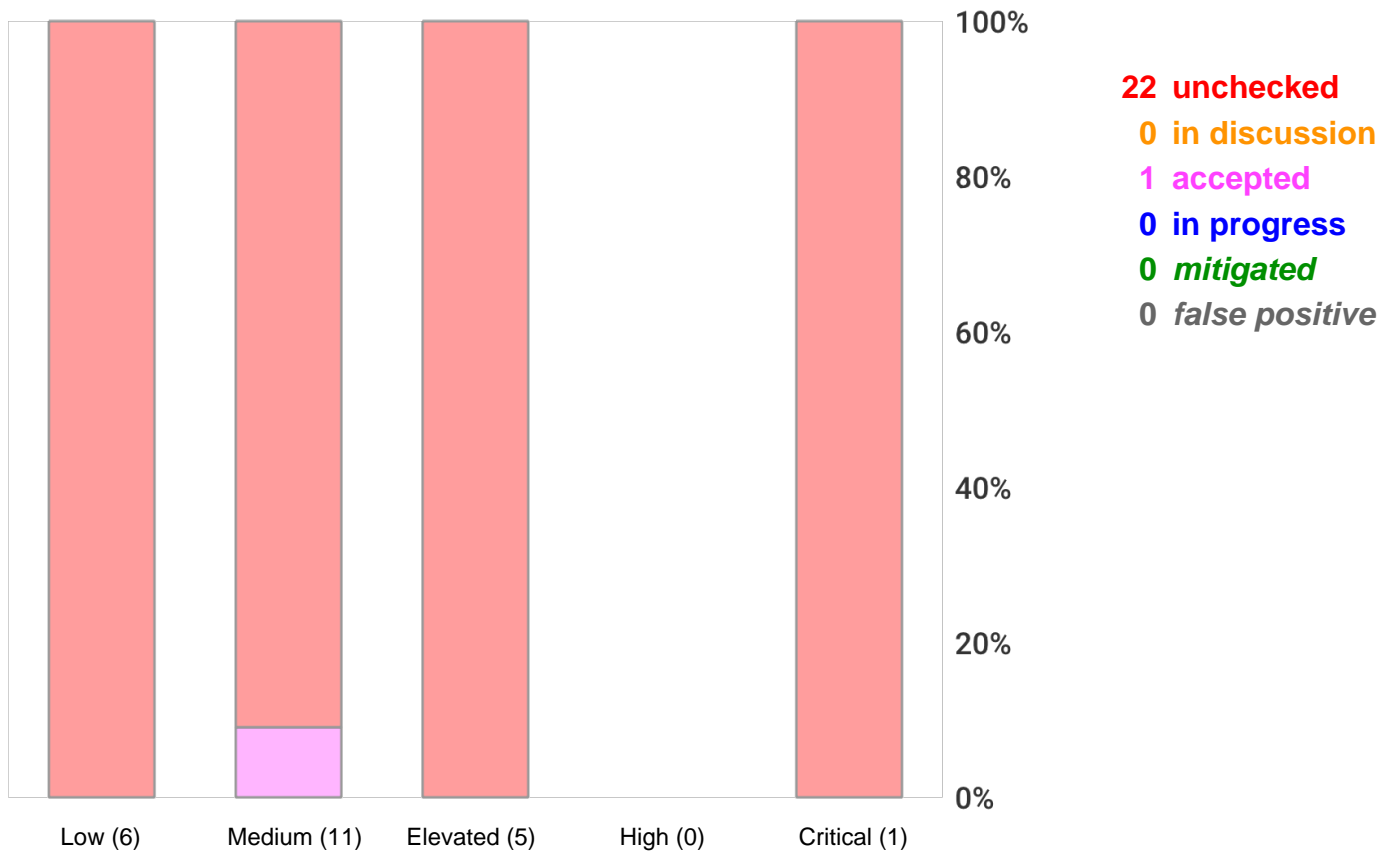
If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to apply standard attack pattern tests at great speed without any filtering.

Low: **Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime**: 1 Initial Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers successfully attacking other components of the system might have an easy path towards more valuable targets, as they are running on the same shared runtime.

Risk Mitigation

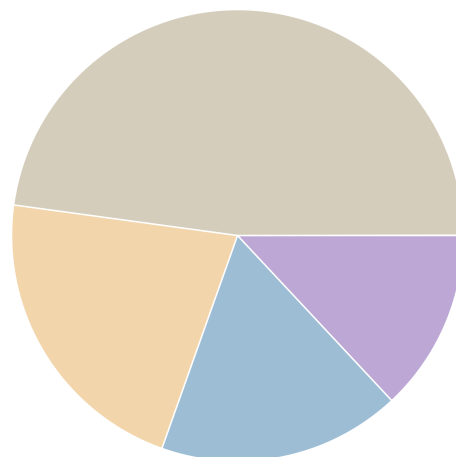
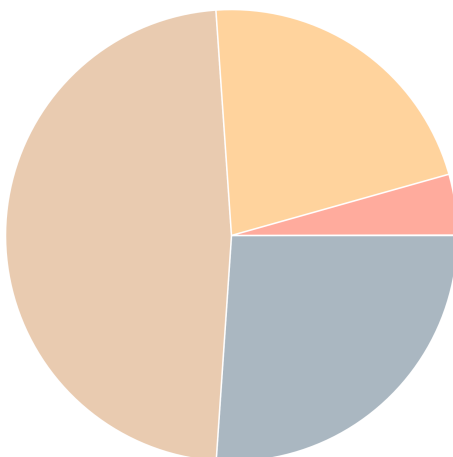
The following chart gives a high-level overview of the risk tracking status (including mitigated risks):



After removal of risks with status *mitigated* and *false positive* the following 23 remain unmitigated:

1 unmitigated critical risk
0 unmitigated high risk
5 unmitigated elevated risk
11 unmitigated medium risk
6 unmitigated low risk

3 business side related
4 architecture related
5 development related
11 operations related



Impact Analysis of 23 Remaining Risks in 13 Categories

The most prevalent impacts of the **23 remaining risks** (distributed over **13 risk categories**) are (taking the severity ratings into account and using the highest for each category):

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Critical: [Some Individual Risk Example](#): 1 Remaining Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

Some text describing the impact...

Elevated: [Missing Authentication](#): 2 Remaining Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access or modify sensitive data in an unauthenticated way.

Elevated: [XML External Entity \(XXE\)](#): 3 Remaining Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to read sensitive files (configuration data, key/credential files, deployment files, business data files, etc.) from the filesystem of affected components and/or access sensitive services or files of other components.

Medium: [Missing Build Infrastructure](#): 1 Remaining Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to exploit risks unseen in this threat model due to critical build infrastructure components missing in the model.

Medium: [Missing Hardening](#): 2 Remaining Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

If this risk remains unmitigated, attackers might be able to easier attack high-value targets.

Medium: [Missing Two-Factor Authentication \(2FA\)](#): 2 Remaining Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access or modify highly sensitive data without strong authentication.

Medium: [Missing Vault \(Secret Storage\)](#): 1 Remaining Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to easier steal config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.) once a vulnerability to access files is present and exploited.

Medium: [Server-Side Request Forgery \(SSRF\)](#): 2 Remaining Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access sensitive services or files of network-reachable components by modifying outgoing calls of affected components.

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If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to apply standard attack pattern tests at great speed without any filtering.

Low: **Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime**: 1 Remaining Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers successfully attacking other components of the system might have an easy path towards more valuable targets, as they are running on the same shared runtime.

Application Overview

Business Criticality

The overall business criticality of "Wahlpflichtmodul" was rated as:

(archive | operational | **IMPORTANT** | critical | mission-critical)

Business Overview

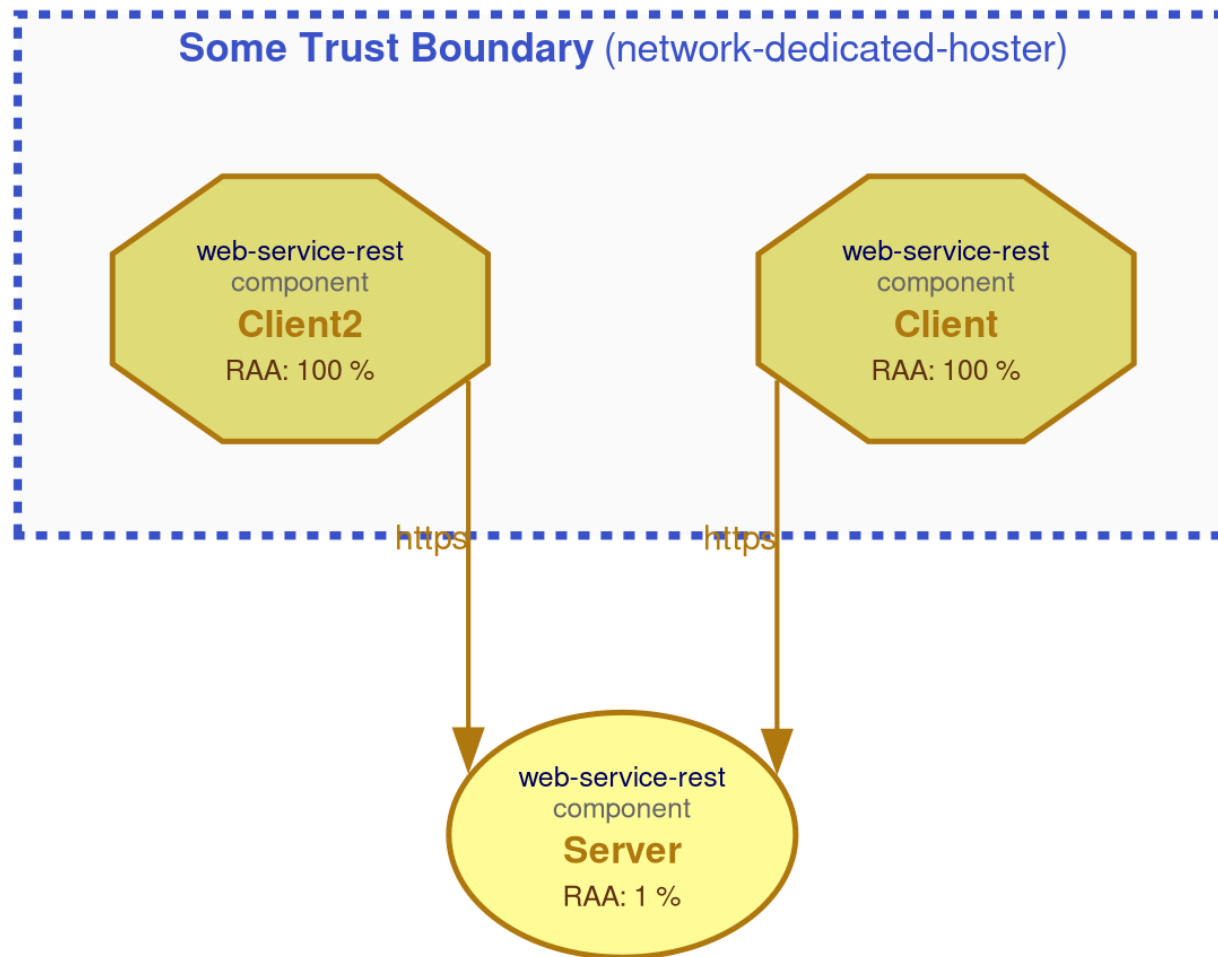
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Technical Overview

Some more *demo text* here and even images...

Data-Flow Diagram

The following diagram was generated by Threagile based on the model input and gives a high-level overview of the data-flow between technical assets. The RAA value is the calculated *Relative Attacker Attractiveness* in percent. For a full high-resolution version of this diagram please refer to the PNG image file alongside this report.



Security Requirements

This chapter lists the custom security requirements which have been defined for the modeled target.

Some Security Requirement

Some Description

This list is not complete and regulatory or law relevant security requirements have to be taken into account as well. Also custom individual security requirements might exist for the project.

Abuse Cases

This chapter lists the custom abuse cases which have been defined for the modeled target.

Some Abuse Case

Some Description

This list is not complete and regulatory or law relevant abuse cases have to be taken into account as well. Also custom individual abuse cases might exist for the project.

Tag Listing

This chapter lists what tags are used by which elements.

some-other-tag

Client, Client2, Server

some-tag

Client, Client2, Server

STRIDE Classification of Identified Risks

This chapter clusters and classifies the risks by STRIDE categories: In total **23 potential risks** have been identified during the threat modeling process of which **0 in the Spoofing** category, **4 in the Tampering** category, **1 in the Repudiation** category, **9 in the Information Disclosure** category, **2 in the Denial of Service** category, and **7 in the Elevation of Privilege** category.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Spoofing

n/a

Tampering

Medium: **Missing Build Infrastructure**: 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

The modeled architecture does not contain a build infrastructure (devops-client, sourcecode-repo, build-pipeline, etc.), which might be the risk of a model missing critical assets (and thus not seeing their risks). If the architecture contains custom-developed parts, the pipeline where code gets developed and built needs to be part of the model.

Medium: **Missing Hardening**: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

Technical assets with a Relative Attacker Attractiveness (RAA) value of 55 % or higher should be explicitly hardened taking best practices and vendor hardening guides into account.

Low: **Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF)**: 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

To have a first line of filtering defense, security architectures with web-services or web-applications should include a WAF in front of them. Even though a WAF is not a replacement for security (all components must be secure even without a WAF) it adds another layer of defense to the overall system by delaying some attacks and having easier attack alerting through it.

Repudiation

Critical: **Some Individual Risk Example**: 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

Some text describing the risk category...

Information Disclosure

Elevated: **XML External Entity (XXE)**: 3 / 3 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

When a technical asset accepts data in XML format, XML External Entity (XXE) risks might arise.

Medium: Missing Vault (Secret Storage): 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

In order to avoid the risk of secret leakage via config files (when attacked through vulnerabilities being able to read files like Path-Traversal and others), it is best practice to use a separate hardened process with proper authentication, authorization, and audit logging to access config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.). This component is usually some kind of Vault.

Medium: Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF): 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

When a server system (i.e. not a client) is accessing other server systems via typical web protocols Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) or Local-File-Inclusion (LFI) or Remote-File-Inclusion (RFI) risks might arise.

Medium: Unencrypted Technical Assets: 3 / 3 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

Due to the confidentiality rating of the technical asset itself and/or the processed data assets this technical asset must be encrypted. The risk rating depends on the sensitivity technical asset itself and of the data assets stored.

Denial of Service

Low: DoS-risky Access Across Trust-Boundary: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

Assets accessed across trust boundaries with critical or mission-critical availability rating are more prone to Denial-of-Service (DoS) risks.

Elevation of Privilege

Elevated: Missing Authentication: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

Technical assets (especially multi-tenant systems) should authenticate incoming requests when the asset processes or stores sensitive data.

Medium: Missing Two-Factor Authentication (2FA): 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

Technical assets (especially multi-tenant systems) should authenticate incoming requests with two-factor (2FA) authentication when the asset processes or stores highly sensitive data (in terms of confidentiality, integrity, and availability) and is accessed by humans.

Low: Missing Network Segmentation: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

Highly sensitive assets and/or datastores residing in the same network segment than other lower sensitive assets (like webserver or content management systems etc.) should be better protected by a network segmentation trust-boundary.

Low: **Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime:** 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

Different attacker targets (like frontend and backend/datastore components) should not be running on the same shared (underlying) runtime.

Assignment by Function

This chapter clusters and assigns the risks by functions which are most likely able to check and mitigate them: In total **23 potential risks** have been identified during the threat modeling process of which **3 should be checked by Business Side**, **4 should be checked by Architecture**, **5 should be checked by Development**, and **11 should be checked by Operations**.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Business Side

Critical: Some Individual Risk Example: 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely with Medium impact*.

Some text describing the mitigation...

Medium: Missing Two-Factor Authentication (2FA): 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely with Medium impact*.

Apply an authentication method to the technical asset protecting highly sensitive data via two-factor authentication for human users.

Architecture

Elevated: Missing Authentication: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely with Medium impact*.

Apply an authentication method to the technical asset. To protect highly sensitive data consider the use of two-factor authentication for human users.

Medium: Missing Build Infrastructure: 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely with Medium impact*.

Include the build infrastructure in the model.

Medium: Missing Vault (Secret Storage): 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely with Medium impact*.

Consider using a Vault (Secret Storage) to securely store and access config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.).

Development

Elevated: XML External Entity (XXE): 3 / 3 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely with Medium impact*.

Apply hardening of all XML parser instances in order to stay safe from XML External Entity (XXE) vulnerabilities. When a third-party product is used instead of custom developed software, check if the product applies the proper mitigation and ensure a reasonable patch-level.

Medium: Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF): 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

Try to avoid constructing the outgoing target URL with caller controllable values. Alternatively use a mapping (whitelist) when accessing outgoing URLs instead of creating them including caller controllable values. When a third-party product is used instead of custom developed software, check if the product applies the proper mitigation and ensure a reasonable patch-level.

Operations

Medium: Missing Hardening: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

Try to apply all hardening best practices (like CIS benchmarks, OWASP recommendations, vendor recommendations, DevSec Hardening Framework, DBSAT for Oracle databases, and others).

Medium: Unencrypted Technical Assets: 3 / 3 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

Apply encryption to the technical asset.

Low: DoS-risky Access Across Trust-Boundary: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

Apply anti-DoS techniques like throttling and/or per-client load blocking with quotas. Also for maintenance access routes consider applying a VPN instead of public reachable interfaces. Generally applying redundancy on the targeted technical asset reduces the risk of DoS.

Low: Missing Network Segmentation: 2 / 2 Risks - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

Apply a network segmentation trust-boundary around the highly sensitive assets and/or datastores.

Low: Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF): 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

Consider placing a Web Application Firewall (WAF) in front of the web-services and/or web-applications. For cloud environments many cloud providers offer pre-configured WAFs. Even reverse proxies can be enhanced by a WAF component via ModSecurity plugins.

Low: Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime: 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

Use separate runtime environments for running different target components or apply similar separation styles to prevent load- or breach-related problems originating from one more attacker-facing asset impacts also the other more critical rated backend/datastore assets.

RAA Analysis

For each technical asset the "**Relative Attacker Attractiveness**" (RAA) value was calculated in percent. The higher the RAA, the more interesting it is for an attacker to compromise the asset. The calculation algorithm takes the sensitivity ratings and quantities of stored and processed data into account as well as the communication links of the technical asset. Neighbouring assets to high-value RAA targets might receive an increase in their RAA value when they have a communication link towards that target ("Pivoting-Factor").

The following lists all technical assets sorted by their RAA value from highest (most attacker attractive) to lowest. This list can be used to prioritize on efforts relevant for the most attacker-attractive technical assets:

Technical asset paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Client: RAA 100%

Some Description

Client2: RAA 100%

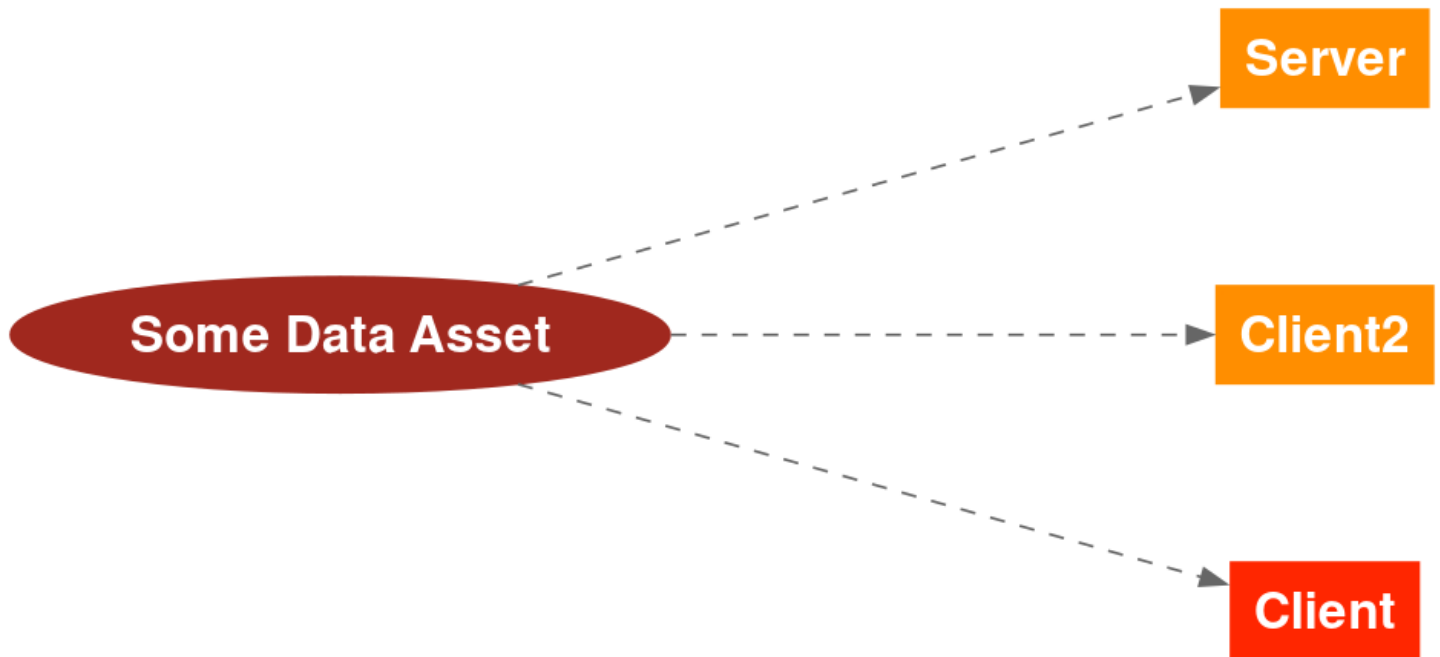
Some Description

Server: RAA 1%

Some Description

Data Mapping

The following diagram was generated by Threagile based on the model input and gives a high-level distribution of data assets across technical assets. The color matches the identified data breach probability and risk level (see the "Data Breach Probabilities" chapter for more details). A solid line stands for *data is stored by the asset* and a dashed one means *data is processed by the asset*. For a full high-resolution version of this diagram please refer to the PNG image file alongside this report.



Out-of-Scope Assets: 0 Assets

This chapter lists all technical assets that have been defined as out-of-scope. Each one should be checked in the model whether it should better be included in the overall risk analysis:

Technical asset paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

No technical assets have been defined as out-of-scope.

Potential Model Failures: 2 / 2 Risks

This chapter lists potential model failures where not all relevant assets have been modeled or the model might itself contain inconsistencies. Each potential model failure should be checked in the model against the architecture design:

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Medium: Missing Build Infrastructure: 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

The modeled architecture does not contain a build infrastructure (devops-client, sourcecode-repo, build-pipeline, etc.), which might be the risk of a model missing critical assets (and thus not seeing their risks). If the architecture contains custom-developed parts, the pipeline where code gets developed and built needs to be part of the model.

Medium: Missing Vault (Secret Storage): 1 / 1 Risk - Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

In order to avoid the risk of secret leakage via config files (when attacked through vulnerabilities being able to read files like Path-Traversal and others), it is best practice to use a separate hardened process with proper authentication, authorization, and audit logging to access config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.). This component is usually some kind of Vault.

Questions: 1 / 2 Questions

This chapter lists custom questions that arose during the threat modeling process.

Some question with an answer?

Some answer

Some question without an answer?

- answer pending -

Identified Risks by Vulnerability Category

In total **23 potential risks** have been identified during the threat modeling process of which **1 are rated as critical, 0 as high, 5 as elevated, 11 as medium, and 6 as low.**

These risks are distributed across **13 vulnerability categories**. The following sub-chapters of this section describe each identified risk category.

Some Individual Risk Example: 1 / 1 Risk

Description (Repudiation): [CWE 693](#)

Some text describing the risk category...

Impact

Some text describing the impact...

Detection Logic

Some text describing the detection logic...

Risk Rating

Some text describing the risk assessment...

False Positives

Some text describing the most common types of false positives...

Mitigation (Business Side): Some text describing the action...

Some text describing the mitigation...

ASVS Chapter: [V0 - Something Strange](#)

Cheat Sheet: [example.com](#)

Check

Check if XYZ...

Risk Findings

The risk **Some Individual Risk Example** was found **1 time** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Critical Risk Severity

Example Individual Risk at Some Technical Asset: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

something-strange@some-component

Unchecked

Missing Authentication: 2 / 2 Risks

Description (Elevation of Privilege): [CWE 306](#)

Technical assets (especially multi-tenant systems) should authenticate incoming requests when the asset processes or stores sensitive data.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access or modify sensitive data in an unauthenticated way.

Detection Logic

In-scope technical assets (except load-balancer, reverse-proxy, service-registry, waf, ids, and ips and in-process calls) should authenticate incoming requests when the asset processes or stores sensitive data. This is especially the case for all multi-tenant assets (there even non-sensitive ones).

Risk Rating

The risk rating (medium or high) depends on the sensitivity of the data sent across the communication link. Monitoring callers are exempted from this risk.

False Positives

Technical assets which do not process requests regarding functionality or data linked to end-users (customers) can be considered as false positives after individual review.

Mitigation (Architecture): Authentication of Incoming Requests

Apply an authentication method to the technical asset. To protect highly sensitive data consider the use of two-factor authentication for human users.

ASVS Chapter: [V2 - Authentication Verification Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Authentication Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Missing Authentication** was found **2 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Elevated Risk Severity

Missing Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client2** to **Server**:
Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

[missing-authentication@some-component2>some-traffic@some-component2@some-other-component](#)

Unchecked

Missing Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client** to **Server**:
Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

[missing-authentication@some-component>some-traffic@some-component@some-other-component](#)

Unchecked

XML External Entity (XXE): 3 / 3 Risks

Description (Information Disclosure): [CWE 611](#)

When a technical asset accepts data in XML format, XML External Entity (XXE) risks might arise.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to read sensitive files (configuration data, key/credential files, deployment files, business data files, etc.) from the filesystem of affected components and/or access sensitive services or files of other components.

Detection Logic

In-scope technical assets accepting XML data formats.

Risk Rating

The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored. Also for cloud-based environments the exploitation impact is at least medium, as cloud backend services can be attacked via SSRF (and XXE vulnerabilities are often also SSRF vulnerabilities).

False Positives

Fully trusted (i.e. cryptographically signed or similar) XML data can be considered as false positives after individual review.

Mitigation (Development): XML Parser Hardening

Apply hardening of all XML parser instances in order to stay safe from XML External Entity (XXE) vulnerabilities. When a third-party product is used instead of custom developed software, check if the product applies the proper mitigation and ensure a reasonable patch-level.

ASVS Chapter: [V14 - Configuration Verification Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [XML External Entity Prevention Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **XML External Entity (XXE)** was found **3 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Elevated Risk Severity

XML External Entity (XXE) risk at **Client2**: Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

[xml-external-entity@some-component2](#)

Unchecked

XML External Entity (XXE) risk at **Client**: Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

[xml-external-entity@some-component](#)

Unchecked

XML External Entity (XXE) risk at **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

[xml-external-entity@some-other-component](#)

Unchecked

Missing Build Infrastructure: 1 / 1 Risk

Description (Tampering): [CWE 1127](#)

The modeled architecture does not contain a build infrastructure (devops-client, sourcecode-repo, build-pipeline, etc.), which might be the risk of a model missing critical assets (and thus not seeing their risks). If the architecture contains custom-developed parts, the pipeline where code gets developed and built needs to be part of the model.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to exploit risks unseen in this threat model due to critical build infrastructure components missing in the model.

Detection Logic

Models with in-scope custom-developed parts missing in-scope development (code creation) and build infrastructure components (devops-client, sourcecode-repo, build-pipeline, etc.).

Risk Rating

The risk rating depends on the highest sensitivity of the in-scope assets running custom-developed parts.

False Positives

Models not having any custom-developed parts can be considered as false positives after individual review.

Mitigation (Architecture): Build Pipeline Hardening

Include the build infrastructure in the model.

ASVS Chapter: [V1 - Architecture, Design and Threat Modeling Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Attack Surface Analysis Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Missing Build Infrastructure** was found **1 time** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Medium Risk Severity

Missing Build Infrastructure in the threat model (referencing asset **Client** as an example):
Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

[missing-build-infrastructure@some-component](#)

Unchecked

Missing Hardening: 2 / 2 Risks

Description (Tampering): [CWE 16](#)

Technical assets with a Relative Attacker Attractiveness (RAA) value of 55 % or higher should be explicitly hardened taking best practices and vendor hardening guides into account.

Impact

If this risk remains unmitigated, attackers might be able to easier attack high-value targets.

Detection Logic

In-scope technical assets with RAA values of 55 % or higher. Generally for high-value targets like datastores, application servers, identity providers and ERP systems this limit is reduced to 40 %

Risk Rating

The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the data processed or stored in the technical asset.

False Positives

Usually no false positives.

Mitigation (Operations): System Hardening

Try to apply all hardening best practices (like CIS benchmarks, OWASP recommendations, vendor recommendations, DevSec Hardening Framework, DBSAT for Oracle databases, and others).

ASVS Chapter: [V14 - Configuration Verification Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Attack Surface Analysis Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Missing Hardening** was found **2 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Medium Risk Severity

Missing Hardening risk at **Client2**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

[missing-hardening@some-component2](#)

Unchecked

Missing Hardening risk at **Client**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

[missing-hardening@some-component](#)

Unchecked

Missing Two-Factor Authentication (2FA): 2 / 2 Risks

Description (Elevation of Privilege): [CWE 308](#)

Technical assets (especially multi-tenant systems) should authenticate incoming requests with two-factor (2FA) authentication when the asset processes or stores highly sensitive data (in terms of confidentiality, integrity, and availability) and is accessed by humans.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access or modify highly sensitive data without strong authentication.

Detection Logic

In-scope technical assets (except load-balancer, reverse-proxy, waf, ids, and ips) should authenticate incoming requests via two-factor authentication (2FA) when the asset processes or stores highly sensitive data (in terms of confidentiality, integrity, and availability) and is accessed by a client used by a human user.

Risk Rating

medium

False Positives

Technical assets which do not process requests regarding functionality or data linked to end-users (customers) can be considered as false positives after individual review.

Mitigation (Business Side): Authentication with Second Factor (2FA)

Apply an authentication method to the technical asset protecting highly sensitive data via two-factor authentication for human users.

ASVS Chapter: [V2 - Authentication Verification Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Multifactor Authentication Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Missing Two-Factor Authentication (2FA)** was found **2 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Medium Risk Severity

Missing Two-Factor Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client2** to **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

[missing-authentication-second-factor@some-component2>some-traffic@some-component2@some-other-component](#)

Unchecked

Missing Two-Factor Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client** to **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

[missing-authentication-second-factor@some-component>some-traffic@some-component@some-other-component](#)

Unchecked

Missing Vault (Secret Storage): 1 / 1 Risk

Description (Information Disclosure): [CWE 522](#)

In order to avoid the risk of secret leakage via config files (when attacked through vulnerabilities being able to read files like Path-Traversal and others), it is best practice to use a separate hardened process with proper authentication, authorization, and audit logging to access config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.). This component is usually some kind of Vault.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to easier steal config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.) once a vulnerability to access files is present and exploited.

Detection Logic

Models without a Vault (Secret Storage).

Risk Rating

The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

False Positives

Models where no technical assets have any kind of sensitive config data to protect can be considered as false positives after individual review.

Mitigation (Architecture): Vault (Secret Storage)

Consider using a Vault (Secret Storage) to securely store and access config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.).

ASVS Chapter: [V6 - Stored Cryptography Verification Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Cryptographic Storage Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Is a Vault (Secret Storage) in place?

Risk Findings

The risk **Missing Vault (Secret Storage)** was found **1 time** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Medium Risk Severity

Missing Vault (Secret Storage) in the threat model (referencing asset **Client** as an example):
Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

[missing-vault@some-component](#)

Unchecked

Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF): 2 / 2 Risks

Description (Information Disclosure): [CWE 918](#)

When a server system (i.e. not a client) is accessing other server systems via typical web protocols Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) or Local-File-Inclusion (LFI) or Remote-File-Inclusion (RFI) risks might arise.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access sensitive services or files of network-reachable components by modifying outgoing calls of affected components.

Detection Logic

In-scope non-client systems accessing (using outgoing communication links) targets with either HTTP or HTTPS protocol.

Risk Rating

The risk rating (low or medium) depends on the sensitivity of the data assets receivable via web protocols from targets within the same network trust-boundary as well on the sensitivity of the data assets receivable via web protocols from the target asset itself. Also for cloud-based environments the exploitation impact is at least medium, as cloud backend services can be attacked via SSRF.

False Positives

Servers not sending outgoing web requests can be considered as false positives after review.

Mitigation (Development): SSRF Prevention

Try to avoid constructing the outgoing target URL with caller controllable values. Alternatively use a mapping (whitelist) when accessing outgoing URLs instead of creating them including caller controllable values. When a third-party product is used instead of custom developed software, check if the product applies the proper mitigation and ensure a reasonable patch-level.

ASVS Chapter: [V12 - File and Resources Verification Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Server Side Request Forgery Prevention Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF)** was found **2 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Medium Risk Severity

Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) risk at Client2 server-side web-requesting the target Server via Some Traffic: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

[server-side-request-forgery@some-component2@some-other-component@some-component2>some-traffic](#)

Unchecked

Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) risk at Client server-side web-requesting the target Server via Some Traffic: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

[server-side-request-forgery@some-component@some-other-component@some-component>some-traffic](#)

Unchecked

Unencrypted Technical Assets: 3 / 3 Risks

Description (Information Disclosure): [CWE 311](#)

Due to the confidentiality rating of the technical asset itself and/or the processed data assets this technical asset must be encrypted. The risk rating depends on the sensitivity technical asset itself and of the data assets stored.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to access unencrypted data when successfully compromising sensitive components.

Detection Logic

In-scope unencrypted technical assets (excluding reverse-proxy, load-balancer, waf, ids, ips and embedded components like library) storing data assets rated at least as confidential or critical. For technical assets storing data assets rated as strictly-confidential or mission-critical the encryption must be of type data-with-enduser-individual-key.

Risk Rating

Depending on the confidentiality rating of the stored data-assets either medium or high risk.

False Positives

When all sensitive data stored within the asset is already fully encrypted on document or data level.

Mitigation (Operations): Encryption of Technical Asset

Apply encryption to the technical asset.

ASVS Chapter: [V6 - Stored Cryptography Verification Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Cryptographic Storage Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Unencrypted Technical Assets** was found **3 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.
Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Medium Risk Severity

- Unencrypted Technical Asset** named **Client2**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

unencrypted-asset@some-component2

Unchecked
- Unencrypted Technical Asset** named **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

unencrypted-asset@some-other-component

Unchecked
- Unencrypted Technical Asset** named **Client**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

unencrypted-asset@some-component

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Risk accepted as tolerable			

DoS-risky Access Across Trust-Boundary: 2 / 2 Risks

Description (Denial of Service): [CWE 400](#)

Assets accessed across trust boundaries with critical or mission-critical availability rating are more prone to Denial-of-Service (DoS) risks.

Impact

If this risk remains unmitigated, attackers might be able to disturb the availability of important parts of the system.

Detection Logic

In-scope technical assets (excluding load-balancer) with availability rating of critical or higher which have incoming data-flows across a network trust-boundary (excluding devops usage).

Risk Rating

Matching technical assets with availability rating of critical or higher are at low risk. When the availability rating is mission-critical and neither a VPN nor IP filter for the incoming data-flow nor redundancy for the asset is applied, the risk-rating is considered medium.

False Positives

When the accessed target operations are not time- or resource-consuming.

Mitigation (Operations): Anti-DoS Measures

Apply anti-DoS techniques like throttling and/or per-client load blocking with quotas. Also for maintenance access routes consider applying a VPN instead of public reachable interfaces. Generally applying redundancy on the targeted technical asset reduces the risk of DoS.

ASVS Chapter: [V1 - Architecture, Design and Threat Modeling Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Denial of Service Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **DoS-risky Access Across Trust-Boundary** was found **2 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Low Risk Severity

Denial-of-Service risky access of **Server** by **Client2** via **Some Traffic**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

[dos-risky-access-across-trust-boundary@some-other-component@some-component2@some-component2>some-traffic](#)

Unchecked

Denial-of-Service risky access of **Server** by **Client** via **Some Traffic**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

[dos-risky-access-across-trust-boundary@some-other-component@some-component@some-component>some-traffic](#)

Unchecked

Missing Network Segmentation: 2 / 2 Risks

Description (Elevation of Privilege): [CWE 1008](#)

Highly sensitive assets and/or datastores residing in the same network segment than other lower sensitive assets (like webserver or content management systems etc.) should be better protected by a network segmentation trust-boundary.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers successfully attacking other components of the system might have an easy path towards more valuable targets, as they are not separated by network segmentation.

Detection Logic

In-scope technical assets with high sensitivity and RAA values as well as datastores when surrounded by assets (without a network trust-boundary in-between) which are of type client-system, web-server, web-application, cms, web-service-rest, web-service-soap, build-pipeline, sourcecode-repository, monitoring, or similar and there is no direct connection between these (hence no requirement to be so close to each other).

Risk Rating

Default is low risk. The risk is increased to medium when the asset missing the trust-boundary protection is rated as strictly-confidential or mission-critical.

False Positives

When all assets within the network segmentation trust-boundary are hardened and protected to the same extend as if all were containing/processing highly sensitive data.

Mitigation (Operations): Network Segmentation

Apply a network segmentation trust-boundary around the highly sensitive assets and/or datastores.

ASVS Chapter: [V1 - Architecture, Design and Threat Modeling Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Attack Surface Analysis Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Missing Network Segmentation** was found **2 times** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Low Risk Severity

Missing Network Segmentation to further encapsulate and protect **Client2** against unrelated lower protected assets in the same network segment, which might be easier to compromise by attackers: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

[missing-network-segmentation@some-component2](#)

Unchecked

Missing Network Segmentation to further encapsulate and protect **Client** against unrelated lower protected assets in the same network segment, which might be easier to compromise by attackers: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

[missing-network-segmentation@some-component](#)

Unchecked

Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF): 1 / 1 Risk

Description (Tampering): [CWE 1008](#)

To have a first line of filtering defense, security architectures with web-services or web-applications should include a WAF in front of them. Even though a WAF is not a replacement for security (all components must be secure even without a WAF) it adds another layer of defense to the overall system by delaying some attacks and having easier attack alerting through it.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers might be able to apply standard attack pattern tests at great speed without any filtering.

Detection Logic

In-scope web-services and/or web-applications accessed across a network trust boundary not having a Web Application Firewall (WAF) in front of them.

Risk Rating

The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

False Positives

Targets only accessible via WAFs or reverse proxies containing a WAF component (like ModSecurity) can be considered as false positives after individual review.

Mitigation (Operations): Web Application Firewall (WAF)

Consider placing a Web Application Firewall (WAF) in front of the web-services and/or web-applications. For cloud environments many cloud providers offer pre-configured WAFs. Even reverse proxies can be enhanced by a WAF component via ModSecurity plugins.

ASVS Chapter: [V1 - Architecture, Design and Threat Modeling Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Virtual Patching Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Is a Web Application Firewall (WAF) in place?

Risk Findings

The risk **Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF)** was found **1 time** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Low Risk Severity

Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF) risk at **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

[missing-waf@some-other-component](#)

Unchecked

Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime: 1 / 1 Risk

Description (Elevation of Privilege): [CWE 1008](#)

Different attacker targets (like frontend and backend/datastore components) should not be running on the same shared (underlying) runtime.

Impact

If this risk is unmitigated, attackers successfully attacking other components of the system might have an easy path towards more valuable targets, as they are running on the same shared runtime.

Detection Logic

Shared runtime running technical assets of different trust-boundaries is at risk. Also mixing backend/datastore with frontend components on the same shared runtime is considered a risk.

Risk Rating

The risk rating (low or medium) depends on the confidentiality, integrity, and availability rating of the technical asset running on the shared runtime.

False Positives

When all assets running on the shared runtime are hardened and protected to the same extend as if all were containing/processing highly sensitive data.

Mitigation (Operations): Runtime Separation

Use separate runtime environments for running different target components or apply similar separation styles to prevent load- or breach-related problems originating from one more attacker-facing asset impacts also the other more critical rated backend/datastore assets.

ASVS Chapter: [V1 - Architecture, Design and Threat Modeling Requirements](#)

Cheat Sheet: [Attack Surface Analysis Cheat Sheet](#)

Check

Are recommendations from the linked cheat sheet and referenced ASVS chapter applied?

Risk Findings

The risk **Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime** was found **1 time** in the analyzed architecture to be potentially possible. Each spot should be checked individually by reviewing the implementation whether all controls have been applied properly in order to mitigate each risk.

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Low Risk Severity

Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime named **Some Shared Runtime** might enable attackers moving from one less valuable target to a more valuable one: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

[mixed-targets-on-shared-runtime@some-runtime](#)

Unchecked

Identified Risks by Technical Asset

In total **23 potential risks** have been identified during the threat modeling process of which **1 are rated as critical, 0 as high, 5 as elevated, 11 as medium, and 6 as low.**

These risks are distributed across **3 in-scope technical assets**. The following sub-chapters of this section describe each identified risk grouped by technical asset. The RAA value of a technical asset is the calculated "Relative Attacker Attractiveness" value in percent.

Client: 8 / 8 Risks

Description

Some Description

Identified Risks of Asset

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Critical Risk Severity

Example Individual Risk at Some Technical Asset: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

something-strange@some-component

Unchecked

Elevated Risk Severity

XML External Entity (XXE) risk at Client: Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

xml-external-entity@some-component

Unchecked

Medium Risk Severity

Missing Build Infrastructure in the threat model (referencing asset **Client** as an example): Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

missing-build-infrastructure@some-component

Unchecked

Missing Vault (Secret Storage) in the threat model (referencing asset **Client** as an example): Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

missing-vault@some-component

Unchecked

Missing Hardening risk at **Client**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

missing-hardening@some-component

Unchecked

Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) risk at **Client** server-side web-requesting the target **Server** via **Some Traffic**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

server-side-request-forgery@some-component@some-other-component@some-component>some-traffic

Unchecked

Unencrypted Technical Asset named **Client**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

unencrypted-asset@some-component

Accepted

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John Doe

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Risk accepted as tolerable

Low Risk Severity

Missing Network Segmentation to further encapsulate and protect **Client** against unrelated lower protected assets in the same network segment, which might be easier to compromise by attackers: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

missing-network-segmentation@some-component

Unchecked

Asset Information

ID:	some-component
Type:	process
Usage:	business
RAA:	100 %
Size:	component
Technology:	web-service-rest
Tags:	some-other-tag, some-tag
Internet:	false
Machine:	physical
Encryption:	none
Multi-Tenant:	false
Redundant:	false
Custom-Developed:	true
Client by Human:	true
Data Processed:	Some Data Asset
Data Stored:	none
Formats Accepted:	XML

Asset Rating

Owner:	Some Owner	
Confidentiality:	confidential	(rated 4 in scale of 5)
Integrity:	critical	(rated 4 in scale of 5)
Availability:	critical	(rated 4 in scale of 5)

CIA-Justification: Some Justification

Outgoing Communication Links: 1

Target technical asset names are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Some Traffic (outgoing)

Some Description

Target:	Server
Protocol:	https
Encrypted:	true
Authentication:	none
Authorization:	none
Read-Only:	false
Usage:	business
Tags:	none
VPN:	false
IP-Filtered:	false
Data Sent:	Some Data Asset
Data Received:	none

Client2: 5 / 5 Risks

Description

Some Description

Identified Risks of Asset

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Elevated Risk Severity

XML External Entity (XXE) risk at **Client2**: Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

xml-external-entity@some-component2

Unchecked

Medium Risk Severity

Unencrypted Technical Asset named **Client2**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

unencrypted-asset@some-component2

Unchecked

Missing Hardening risk at **Client2**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

missing-hardening@some-component2

Unchecked

Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) risk at **Client2** server-side web-requesting the target **Server** via **Some Traffic**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Low* impact.

server-side-request-forgery@some-component2@some-other-component@some-component2>some-traffic

Unchecked

Low Risk Severity

Missing Network Segmentation to further encapsulate and protect **Client2** against unrelated lower protected assets in the same network segment, which might be easier to compromise by attackers: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

missing-network-segmentation@some-component2

Unchecked

Asset Information

ID: some-component2

Type:	process
Usage:	business
RAA:	100 %
Size:	component
Technology:	web-service-rest
Tags:	some-other-tag, some-tag
Internet:	false
Machine:	physical
Encryption:	none
Multi-Tenant:	false
Redundant:	false
Custom-Developed:	true
Client by Human:	true
Data Processed:	Some Data Asset
Data Stored:	none
Formats Accepted:	XML

Asset Rating

Owner:	Some Owner	
Confidentiality:	confidential	(rated 4 in scale of 5)
Integrity:	critical	(rated 4 in scale of 5)
Availability:	critical	(rated 4 in scale of 5)
CIA-Justification:	Some Justification	

Outgoing Communication Links: 1

Target technical asset names are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Some Traffic (outgoing)
Some Description

Target:	Server
Protocol:	https
Encrypted:	true
Authentication:	none
Authorization:	none
Read-Only:	false
Usage:	business

Tags: none
VPN: false
IP-Filtered: false
Data Sent: Some Data Asset
Data Received: none

Server: 9 / 9 Risks

Description

Some Description

Identified Risks of Asset

Risk finding paragraphs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Elevated Risk Severity

XML External Entity (XXE) risk at **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Very Likely* with *Medium* impact.

xml-external-entity@some-other-component

Unchecked

Missing Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client2** to **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

missing-authentication@some-component2>some-traffic@some-component2@some-other-component

Unchecked

Missing Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client** to **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Likely* with *Medium* impact.

missing-authentication@some-component>some-traffic@some-component@some-other-component

Unchecked

Medium Risk Severity

Missing Two-Factor Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client2** to **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

missing-authentication-second-factor@some-component2>some-traffic@some-component2@some-other-component

Unchecked

Missing Two-Factor Authentication covering communication link **Some Traffic** from **Client** to **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

missing-authentication-second-factor@some-component>some-traffic@some-component@some-other-component

Unchecked

Unencrypted Technical Asset named **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Medium* impact.

unencrypted-asset@some-other-component

Unchecked

Low Risk Severity

Denial-of-Service risky access of **Server** by **Client2** via **Some Traffic**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

dos-risky-access-across-trust-boundary@some-other-component@some-component2@some-component2>some-traffic

Unchecked

Denial-of-Service risky access of **Server** by **Client** via **Some Traffic**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

dos-risky-access-across-trust-boundary@some-other-component@some-component@some-component>some-traffic

Unchecked

Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF) risk at **Server**: Exploitation likelihood is *Unlikely* with *Low* impact.

missing-waf@some-other-component

Unchecked

Asset Information

ID:	some-other-component
Type:	process
Usage:	business
RAA:	1 %
Size:	component
Technology:	web-service-rest
Tags:	some-other-tag, some-tag
Internet:	false
Machine:	virtual
Encryption:	none
Multi-Tenant:	false
Redundant:	false
Custom-Developed:	true
Client by Human:	false
Data Processed:	Some Data Asset
Data Stored:	none
Formats Accepted:	XML

Asset Rating

Owner:	Some Owner	
Confidentiality:	confidential	(rated 4 in scale of 5)

Integrity: critical (rated 4 in scale of 5)
Availability: critical (rated 4 in scale of 5)
CIA-Justification: Some Justification

Incoming Communication Links: 2

Source technical asset names are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Some Traffic (incoming)

Some Description

Source: Client
Protocol: https
Encrypted: true
Authentication: none
Authorization: none
Read-Only: false
Usage: business
Tags: none
VPN: false
IP-Filtered: false
Data Received: Some Data Asset
Data Sent: none

Some Traffic (incoming)

Some Description

Source: Client2
Protocol: https
Encrypted: true
Authentication: none
Authorization: none
Read-Only: false
Usage: business
Tags: none
VPN: false
IP-Filtered: false
Data Received: Some Data Asset
Data Sent: none

Identified Data Breach Probabilities by Data Asset

In total **23 potential risks** have been identified during the threat modeling process of which **1 are rated as critical, 0 as high, 5 as elevated, 11 as medium, and 6 as low.**

These risks are distributed across **1 data assets**. The following sub-chapters of this section describe the derived data breach probabilities grouped by data asset.

Technical asset names and risk IDs are clickable and link to the corresponding chapter.

Some Data Asset: 19 / 19 Risks

Some Description

ID:	some-data
Usage:	business
Quantity:	many
Tags:	none
Origin:	Some Origin
Owner:	Some Owner
Confidentiality:	confidential (rated 4 in scale of 5)
Integrity:	critical (rated 4 in scale of 5)
Availability:	operational (rated 2 in scale of 5)
CIA-Justification:	Some Justification
Processed by:	Client, Client2, Server
Stored by:	none
Sent via:	Some Traffic, Some Traffic
Received via:	none
Data Breach:	probable

Data Breach Risks: This data asset has data breach potential because of 19 remaining risks:

Probable: something-strange@some-component

Probable: xml-external-entity@some-component2

Probable: xml-external-entity@some-component

Probable: xml-external-entity@some-other-component

Possible: missing-authentication@some-component2>some-traffic@some-component2@some-other-component

Possible: missing-authentication@some-component>some-traffic@some-component@some-other-component

Possible: missing-authentication-second-factor@some-component2>some-traffic@some-component2@some-other-component

Possible: missing-authentication-second-factor@some-component>some-traffic@some-component@some-other-component

Possible: server-side-request-forgery@some-component2@some-other-component@some-component2>some-traffic

Possible: server-side-request-forgery@some-component@some-other-component@some-component>some-traffic

Improbable: missing-hardening@some-component2

Improbable: missing-hardening@some-component

Improbable: missing-network-segmentation@some-component2

Improbable: missing-network-segmentation@some-component

Improbable: missing-waf@some-other-component

Improbable: mixed-targets-on-shared-runtime@some-runtime

Improbable: unencrypted-asset@some-component2

Improbable: unencrypted-asset@some-other-component

Improbable: unencrypted-asset@some-component

Trust Boundaries

In total **1 trust boundaries** has been modeled during the threat modeling process.

Some Trust Boundary
Some Description

ID:	some-network
Type:	network-dedicated-hoster
Tags:	none
Assets inside:	Client, Client2
Boundaries nested:	none

Shared Runtimes

In total **1 shared runtime** has been modeled during the threat modeling process.

Some Shared Runtime

Some Description

ID:	some-runtime
Tags:	none
Assets running:	Client, Server

Risk Rules Checked by Threagile

Threagile Version: 1.0.0

Threagile Build Timestamp: 20240730113903

Threagile Execution Timestamp: 20250707195116

Model Filename: /app/work/threagile.yaml

Model Hash (SHA256): 5c4b0d276edb0fd8ad0a1d8ef2a5ce84f6942384c1d6b95ecf4e6da1cdb7fd51

Threagile (see <https://threagile.io> for more details) is an open-source toolkit for agile threat modeling, created by Christian Schneider (<https://christian-schneider.net>): It allows to model an architecture with its assets in an agile fashion as a YAML file directly inside the IDE. Upon execution of the Threagile toolkit all standard risk rules (as well as individual custom rules if present) are checked against the architecture model. At the time the Threagile toolkit was executed on the model input file the following risk rules were checked:

Some Individual Risk Example

something-strange

Individual Risk Category

STRIDE: Repudiation
Description: Some text describing the risk category...
Detection: Some text describing the detection logic...
Rating: Some text describing the risk assessment...

Accidental Secret Leak

accidental-secret-leak

STRIDE: Information Disclosure
Description: Sourcecode repositories (including their histories) as well as artifact registries can accidentally contain secrets like checked-in or packaged-in passwords, API tokens, certificates, crypto keys, etc.
Detection: In-scope sourcecode repositories and artifact registries.
Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

Code Backdooring

code-backdooring

STRIDE: Tampering
Description: For each build-pipeline component Code Backdooring risks might arise where attackers compromise the build-pipeline in order to let backdoored artifacts be shipped into production. Aside from direct code backdooring this includes backdooring of dependencies and even of more lower-level build infrastructure, like backdooring compilers (similar to what the XcodeGhost malware did) or dependencies.
Detection: In-scope development relevant technical assets which are either accessed by out-of-scope unmanaged developer clients and/or are directly accessed by any kind

of internet-located (non-VPN) component or are themselves directly located on the internet.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the confidentiality and integrity rating of the code being handled and deployed as well as the placement/calling of this technical asset on/from the internet.

Container Base Image Backdooring

container-baseimage-backdooring

STRIDE: Tampering

Description: When a technical asset is built using container technologies, Base Image Backdooring risks might arise where base images and other layers used contain vulnerable components or backdoors.

Detection: In-scope technical assets running as containers.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets.

Container Platform Escape

container-platform-escape

STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege

Description: Container platforms are especially interesting targets for attackers as they host big parts of a containerized runtime infrastructure. When not configured and operated with security best practices in mind, attackers might exploit a vulnerability inside an container and escape towards the platform as highly privileged users. These scenarios might give attackers capabilities to attack every other container as owning the container platform (via container escape attacks) equals to owning every container.

Detection: In-scope container platforms.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

cross-site-request-forgery

STRIDE: Spoofing

Description: When a web application is accessed via web protocols Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) risks might arise.

Detection: In-scope web applications accessed via typical web access protocols.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the integrity rating of the data sent across the communication link.

Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)

cross-site-scripting

STRIDE: Tampering

- Description:** For each web application Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) risks might arise. In terms of the overall risk level take other applications running on the same domain into account as well.
- Detection:** In-scope web applications.
- Rating:** The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the data processed or stored in the web application.

DoS-risky Access Across Trust-Boundary

dos-risky-access-across-trust-boundary

- STRIDE:** Denial of Service
- Description:** Assets accessed across trust boundaries with critical or mission-critical availability rating are more prone to Denial-of-Service (DoS) risks.
- Detection:** In-scope technical assets (excluding load-balancer) with availability rating of critical or higher which have incoming data-flows across a network trust-boundary (excluding devops usage).
- Rating:** Matching technical assets with availability rating of critical or higher are at low risk. When the availability rating is mission-critical and neither a VPN nor IP filter for the incoming data-flow nor redundancy for the asset is applied, the risk-rating is considered medium.

Incomplete Model

incomplete-model

- STRIDE:** Information Disclosure
- Description:** When the threat model contains unknown technologies or transfers data over unknown protocols, this is an indicator for an incomplete model.
- Detection:** All technical assets and communication links with technology type or protocol type specified as unknown.
- Rating:** low

LDAP-Injection

ldap-injection

- STRIDE:** Tampering
- Description:** When an LDAP server is accessed LDAP-Injection risks might arise. The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the LDAP server itself and of the data assets processed or stored.
- Detection:** In-scope clients accessing LDAP servers via typical LDAP access protocols.
- Rating:** The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the LDAP server itself and of the data assets processed or stored.

Missing Authentication

missing-authentication

- STRIDE:** Elevation of Privilege

- Description:** Technical assets (especially multi-tenant systems) should authenticate incoming requests when the asset processes or stores sensitive data.
- Detection:** In-scope technical assets (except load-balancer, reverse-proxy, service-registry, waf, ids, and ips and in-process calls) should authenticate incoming requests when the asset processes or stores sensitive data. This is especially the case for all multi-tenant assets (there even non-sensitive ones).
- Rating:** The risk rating (medium or high) depends on the sensitivity of the data sent across the communication link. Monitoring callers are exempted from this risk.

Missing Two-Factor Authentication (2FA)

missing-authentication-second-factor

- STRIDE:** Elevation of Privilege
- Description:** Technical assets (especially multi-tenant systems) should authenticate incoming requests with two-factor (2FA) authentication when the asset processes or stores highly sensitive data (in terms of confidentiality, integrity, and availability) and is accessed by humans.
- Detection:** In-scope technical assets (except load-balancer, reverse-proxy, waf, ids, and ips) should authenticate incoming requests via two-factor authentication (2FA) when the asset processes or stores highly sensitive data (in terms of confidentiality, integrity, and availability) and is accessed by a client used by a human user.
- Rating:** medium

Missing Build Infrastructure

missing-build-infrastructure

- STRIDE:** Tampering
- Description:** The modeled architecture does not contain a build infrastructure (devops-client, sourcecode-repo, build-pipeline, etc.), which might be the risk of a model missing critical assets (and thus not seeing their risks). If the architecture contains custom-developed parts, the pipeline where code gets developed and built needs to be part of the model.
- Detection:** Models with in-scope custom-developed parts missing in-scope development (code creation) and build infrastructure components (devops-client, sourcecode-repo, build-pipeline, etc.).
- Rating:** The risk rating depends on the highest sensitivity of the in-scope assets running custom-developed parts.

Missing Cloud Hardening

missing-cloud-hardening

- STRIDE:** Tampering
- Description:** Cloud components should be hardened according to the cloud vendor best practices. This affects their configuration, auditing, and further areas.

- Detection: In-scope cloud components (either residing in cloud trust boundaries or more specifically tagged with cloud provider types).
- Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

Missing File Validation

missing-file-validation

- STRIDE: Spoofing
- Description: When a technical asset accepts files, these input files should be strictly validated about filename and type.
- Detection: In-scope technical assets with custom-developed code accepting file data formats.
- Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

Missing Hardening

missing-hardening

- STRIDE: Tampering
- Description: Technical assets with a Relative Attacker Attractiveness (RAA) value of 55 % or higher should be explicitly hardened taking best practices and vendor hardening guides into account.
- Detection: In-scope technical assets with RAA values of 55 % or higher. Generally for high-value targets like datastores, application servers, identity providers and ERP systems this limit is reduced to 40 %
- Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the data processed or stored in the technical asset.

Missing Identity Propagation

missing-identity-propagation

- STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege
- Description: Technical assets (especially multi-tenant systems), which usually process data for endusers should authorize every request based on the identity of the enduser when the data flow is authenticated (i.e. non-public). For DevOps usages at least a technical-user authorization is required.
- Detection: In-scope service-like technical assets which usually process data based on enduser requests, if authenticated (i.e. non-public), should authorize incoming requests based on the propagated enduser identity when their rating is sensitive. This is especially the case for all multi-tenant assets (there even less-sensitive rated ones). DevOps usages are exempted from this risk.
- Rating: The risk rating (medium or high) depends on the confidentiality, integrity, and availability rating of the technical asset.

Missing Identity Provider Isolation

missing-identity-provider-isolation

STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege

Description: Highly sensitive identity provider assets and their identity datastores should be isolated from other assets by their own network segmentation trust-boundary (execution-environment boundaries do not count as network isolation).

Detection: In-scope identity provider assets and their identity datastores when surrounded by other (not identity-related) assets (without a network trust-boundary in-between). This risk is especially prevalent when other non-identity related assets are within the same execution environment (i.e. same database or same application server).

Rating: Default is high impact. The impact is increased to very-high when the asset missing the trust-boundary protection is rated as strictly-confidential or mission-critical.

Missing Identity Store**missing-identity-store**

STRIDE: Spoofing

Description: The modeled architecture does not contain an identity store, which might be the risk of a model missing critical assets (and thus not seeing their risks).

Detection: Models with authenticated data-flows authorized via enduser-identity missing an in-scope identity store.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the enduser-identity authorized technical assets and their data assets processed and stored.

Missing Network Segmentation**missing-network-segmentation**

STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege

Description: Highly sensitive assets and/or datastores residing in the same network segment than other lower sensitive assets (like webserver or content management systems etc.) should be better protected by a network segmentation trust-boundary.

Detection: In-scope technical assets with high sensitivity and RAA values as well as datastores when surrounded by assets (without a network trust-boundary in-between) which are of type client-system, web-server, web-application, cms, web-service-rest, web-service-soap, build-pipeline, sourcecode-repository, monitoring, or similar and there is no direct connection between these (hence no requirement to be so close to each other).

Rating: Default is low risk. The risk is increased to medium when the asset missing the trust-boundary protection is rated as strictly-confidential or mission-critical.

Missing Vault (Secret Storage)**missing-vault**

STRIDE: Information Disclosure

Description: In order to avoid the risk of secret leakage via config files (when attacked through

vulnerabilities being able to read files like Path-Traversal and others), it is best practice to use a separate hardened process with proper authentication, authorization, and audit logging to access config secrets (like credentials, private keys, client certificates, etc.). This component is usually some kind of Vault.

Detection: Models without a Vault (Secret Storage).

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

Missing Vault Isolation

missing-vault-isolation

STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege

Description: Highly sensitive vault assets and their datastores should be isolated from other assets by their own network segmentation trust-boundary (execution-environment boundaries do not count as network isolation).

Detection: In-scope vault assets when surrounded by other (not vault-related) assets (without a network trust-boundary in-between). This risk is especially prevalent when other non-vault related assets are within the same execution environment (i.e. same database or same application server).

Rating: Default is medium impact. The impact is increased to high when the asset missing the trust-boundary protection is rated as strictly-confidential or mission-critical.

Missing Web Application Firewall (WAF)

missing-waf

STRIDE: Tampering

Description: To have a first line of filtering defense, security architectures with web-services or web-applications should include a WAF in front of them. Even though a WAF is not a replacement for security (all components must be secure even without a WAF) it adds another layer of defense to the overall system by delaying some attacks and having easier attack alerting through it.

Detection: In-scope web-services and/or web-applications accessed across a network trust boundary not having a Web Application Firewall (WAF) in front of them.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

Mixed Targets on Shared Runtime

mixed-targets-on-shared-runtime

STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege

Description: Different attacker targets (like frontend and backend/datastore components) should not be running on the same shared (underlying) runtime.

Detection: Shared runtime running technical assets of different trust-boundaries is at risk. Also mixing backend/datastore with frontend components on the same shared runtime is

considered a risk.

Rating: The risk rating (low or medium) depends on the confidentiality, integrity, and availability rating of the technical asset running on the shared runtime.

Path-Traversal

path-traversal

STRIDE: Information Disclosure

Description: When a filesystem is accessed Path-Traversal or Local-File-Inclusion (LFI) risks might arise. The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed or stored.

Detection: Filesystems accessed by in-scope callers.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the data stored inside the technical asset.

Push instead of Pull Deployment

push-instead-of-pull-deployment

STRIDE: Tampering

Description: When comparing push-based vs. pull-based deployments from a security perspective, pull-based deployments improve the overall security of the deployment targets. Every exposed interface of a production system to accept a deployment increases the attack surface of the production system, thus a pull-based approach exposes less attack surface relevant interfaces.

Detection: Models with build pipeline components accessing in-scope targets of deployment (in a non-readonly way) which are not build-related components themselves.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the highest sensitivity of the deployment targets running custom-developed parts.

Search-Query Injection

search-query-injection

STRIDE: Tampering

Description: When a search engine server is accessed Search-Query Injection risks might arise.

Detection: In-scope clients accessing search engine servers via typical search access protocols.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the search engine server itself and of the data assets processed or stored.

Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF)

server-side-request-forgery

STRIDE: Information Disclosure

Description: When a server system (i.e. not a client) is accessing other server systems via typical web protocols Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) or Local-File-Inclusion (LFI) or Remote-File-Inclusion (RFI) risks might arise.

- Detection: In-scope non-client systems accessing (using outgoing communication links) targets with either HTTP or HTTPS protocol.
- Rating: The risk rating (low or medium) depends on the sensitivity of the data assets receivable via web protocols from targets within the same network trust-boundary as well on the sensitivity of the data assets receivable via web protocols from the target asset itself. Also for cloud-based environments the exploitation impact is at least medium, as cloud backend services can be attacked via SSRF.

Service Registry Poisoning

service-registry-poisoning

- STRIDE: Spoofing
- Description: When a service registry used for discovery of trusted service endpoints Service Registry Poisoning risks might arise.
- Detection: In-scope service registries.
- Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical assets accessing the service registry as well as the data assets processed or stored.

SQL/NoSQL-Injection

sql-nosql-injection

- STRIDE: Tampering
- Description: When a database is accessed via database access protocols SQL/NoSQL-Injection risks might arise. The risk rating depends on the sensitivity technical asset itself and of the data assets processed or stored.
- Detection: Database accessed via typical database access protocols by in-scope clients.
- Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the data stored inside the database.

Unchecked Deployment

unchecked-deployment

- STRIDE: Tampering
- Description: For each build-pipeline component Unchecked Deployment risks might arise when the build-pipeline does not include established DevSecOps best-practices. DevSecOps best-practices scan as part of CI/CD pipelines for vulnerabilities in source- or byte-code, dependencies, container layers, and dynamically against running test systems. There are several open-source and commercial tools existing in the categories DAST, SAST, and IAST.
- Detection: All development-relevant technical assets.
- Rating: The risk rating depends on the highest rating of the technical assets and data assets processed by deployment-receiving targets.

Unencrypted Technical Assets

unencrypted-asset

- STRIDE: Information Disclosure

- Description:** Due to the confidentiality rating of the technical asset itself and/or the processed data assets this technical asset must be encrypted. The risk rating depends on the sensitivity technical asset itself and of the data assets stored.
- Detection:** In-scope unencrypted technical assets (excluding reverse-proxy, load-balancer, waf, ids, ips and embedded components like library) storing data assets rated at least as confidential or critical. For technical assets storing data assets rated as strictly-confidential or mission-critical the encryption must be of type data-with-enduser-individual-key.
- Rating:** Depending on the confidentiality rating of the stored data-assets either medium or high risk.

Unencrypted Communication

unencrypted-communication

- STRIDE:** Information Disclosure
- Description:** Due to the confidentiality and/or integrity rating of the data assets transferred over the communication link this connection must be encrypted.
- Detection:** Unencrypted technical communication links of in-scope technical assets (excluding monitoring traffic as well as local-file-access and in-process-library-call) transferring sensitive data.
- Rating:** Depending on the confidentiality rating of the transferred data-assets either medium or high risk.

Unguarded Access From Internet

unguarded-access-from-internet

- STRIDE:** Elevation of Privilege
- Description:** Internet-exposed assets must be guarded by a protecting service, application, or reverse-proxy.
- Detection:** In-scope technical assets (excluding load-balancer) with confidentiality rating of confidential (or higher) or with integrity rating of critical (or higher) when accessed directly from the internet. All web-server, web-application, reverse-proxy, waf, and gateway assets are exempted from this risk when they do not consist of custom developed code and the data-flow only consists of HTTP or FTP protocols. Access from monitoring systems as well as VPN-protected connections are exempted.
- Rating:** The matching technical assets are at low risk. When either the confidentiality rating is strictly-confidential or the integrity rating is mission-critical, the risk-rating is considered medium. For assets with RAA values higher than 40 % the risk-rating increases.

Unguarded Direct Datastore Access

unguarded-direct-datastore-access

- STRIDE:** Elevation of Privilege

- Description:** Datastores accessed across trust boundaries must be guarded by some protecting service or application.
- Detection:** In-scope technical assets of type datastore (except identity-store-ldap when accessed from identity-provider and file-server when accessed via file transfer protocols) with confidentiality rating of confidential (or higher) or with integrity rating of critical (or higher) which have incoming data-flows from assets outside across a network trust-boundary. DevOps config and deployment access is excluded from this risk.
- Rating:** The matching technical assets are at low risk. When either the confidentiality rating is strictly-confidential or the integrity rating is mission-critical, the risk-rating is considered medium. For assets with RAA values higher than 40 % the risk-rating increases.

Unnecessary Communication Link

unnecessary-communication-link

- STRIDE:** Elevation of Privilege
- Description:** When a technical communication link does not send or receive any data assets, this is an indicator for an unnecessary communication link (or for an incomplete model).
- Detection:** In-scope technical assets' technical communication links not sending or receiving any data assets.
- Rating:** low

Unnecessary Data Asset

unnecessary-data-asset

- STRIDE:** Elevation of Privilege
- Description:** When a data asset is not processed or stored by any data assets and also not transferred by any communication links, this is an indicator for an unnecessary data asset (or for an incomplete model).
- Detection:** Modelled data assets not processed or stored by any data assets and also not transferred by any communication links.
- Rating:** low

Unnecessary Data Transfer

unnecessary-data-transfer

- STRIDE:** Elevation of Privilege
- Description:** When a technical asset sends or receives data assets, which it neither processes or stores this is an indicator for unnecessarily transferred data (or for an incomplete model). When the unnecessarily transferred data assets are sensitive, this poses an unnecessary risk of an increased attack surface.
- Detection:** In-scope technical assets sending or receiving sensitive data assets which are neither processed nor stored by the technical asset are flagged with this risk. The

risk rating (low or medium) depends on the confidentiality, integrity, and availability rating of the technical asset. Monitoring data is exempted from this risk.

Rating: The risk assessment is depending on the confidentiality and integrity rating of the transferred data asset either low or medium.

Unnecessary Technical Asset

unnecessary-technical-asset

STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege

Description: When a technical asset does not process or store any data assets, this is an indicator for an unnecessary technical asset (or for an incomplete model). This is also the case if the asset has no communication links (either outgoing or incoming).

Detection: Technical assets not processing or storing any data assets.

Rating: low

Untrusted Deserialization

untrusted-deserialization

STRIDE: Tampering

Description: When a technical asset accepts data in a specific serialized form (like Java or .NET serialization), Untrusted Deserialization risks might arise.

Detection: In-scope technical assets accepting serialization data formats (including EJB and RMI protocols).

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored.

Wrong Communication Link Content

wrong-communication-link-content

STRIDE: Information Disclosure

Description: When a communication link is defined as readonly, but does not receive any data asset, or when it is defined as not readonly, but does not send any data asset, it is likely to be a model failure.

Detection: Communication links with inconsistent data assets being sent/received not matching their readonly flag or otherwise inconsistent protocols not matching the target technology type.

Rating: low

Wrong Trust Boundary Content

wrong-trust-boundary-content

STRIDE: Elevation of Privilege

Description: When a trust boundary of type network-policy-namespace-isolation contains non-container assets it is likely to be a model failure.

Detection: Trust boundaries which should only contain containers, but have different assets inside.

Rating: low

XML External Entity (XXE)

xml-external-entity

STRIDE: Information Disclosure

Description: When a technical asset accepts data in XML format, XML External Entity (XXE) risks might arise.

Detection: In-scope technical assets accepting XML data formats.

Rating: The risk rating depends on the sensitivity of the technical asset itself and of the data assets processed and stored. Also for cloud-based environments the exploitation impact is at least medium, as cloud backend services can be attacked via SSRF (and XXE vulnerabilities are often also SSRF vulnerabilities).

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