

## Online Bank using Three-factor Authentication

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### **Abstract:**

In this paper we propose an online banking system, which is user-friendly and secure. The main aspect of the paper for us is to provide basic functionality of a bank in a secure manner, we propose using a Three-factor authentication system. Many online systems use two-factor authentication systems and there have been many cases and studies done where the two-factor systems were able to be bypassed, so we intended to add another level of security, so as to further secure our banking system and provide users with peace of mind when performing online transactions and while dealing with their personal accounts and information.

**Keywords:** Online banking; Three-factor authentication; multi factor authentication; OTP; Bcrypt; Knowledge based image recognition; TOTP.

### **1. Introduction:**

In the current state of the world, physically going to a bank outlet has become increasingly difficult as well as dangerous, this has given rise to a large increase in online banking systems around the world.

An Online banking system is a simple User Interface aiming to provide essential banking features, we aim to design a system that is simple and comprehensible to any customer.

A user will be able to login as either an admin or customer, both having different privileges and permission within the system.

The main goal for us is to be able to perform crucial tasks such as money transfers and taking deposits, through online transactions, all of which will be done using a secure system.

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We are implementing a three-factor authentication system for all users.

A customer is validated using

(1) Customer's password

(2) A One-time password which is sent to the Users Email and

(3) By selecting three images that was decided upon by the customer at the time of registration

### **2. Literature review:**

<b><u>Citation</u></b>	<b><u>Objective</u></b>	<b><u>Advantage</u></b>	<b><u>Disadvantage</u></b>
Multi-Factor Authentication to Systems Login  Bandar Omar AlSaleem, Abdullah I. Alshoshan  Year -2021	This paper proposes a multi-factor authentication system that combines ease of use and lowcost factors. The system does not need any special settings or infrastructure. It relies on graphical passwords, so the user, in registration phase, chooses three images that he/she considered during the registration process in a specific order. When the user registers for the first time, he fills the fields of the registration form and selects 3 pictures. After that, the system hashing the password field, get the selected photos IDs, merging them and hashing them with SHA256 and stores this data into the user's table. The next stage is to login with the username and password, as usual, and then a screen appears to the user with 9 randomly selected images including 3 correct ones	Low cost and easy to implement  Uses recognitionbased system  Anti-key-logger: key-loggers cannot detect what is being typed in keyboard	More than 60% of the users liked the image authentication method used in the survey, however, 26% of them mentioned that it might be difficult for a user to memorize images Registration takes longer than normal login  Users not familiar with this method

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<p>2)Robust login authentication using time-based OTP through secure tunnel</p> <p>Navpreet Kaur, Mandeep Devgan, Shash Bhushan</p> <p>Year - 2016</p>	<p>The aim of this paper is to design a secure authentication system that uses existing cryptographic algorithms, the proposed authentication system uses the Android mobile phones to provide a stronger authentication using seed exchange, and occurs through the verification of onetime passwords on the server side and the one-time password generated seed value of the android phone</p>	<p>The OTP is generated on the device itself, thus doesn't rely on the network and can avoid time-based constraint that could occur if the user's network is slow Seed value is transferred through secure tunnel and is AES Encrypted</p> <p>Prevents the use of same account credentials on multiple devices, as the users IMEI Number is stored on the server side along with the unique id, username and password</p>	<p>Initial implementation of this proposed system is very complex</p> <p>Since each account is associated with the IMEI number, if the mobile device is lost or stolen, the users account can be easily accessed</p>
<p>3)A Multi-Factor Security Protocol for Wireless Payment - Secure Web Authentication using Mobile Devices</p> <p>Ayu Tiwari, Sudip Sanyal, Ajith Abraham, Svein Johan Knapskog, Sugata Sanyal</p> <p>Year - 2011</p>	<p>This paper proposes a multifactor authentication technique based on multifactor authentication technique based on Transaction Identification Code (TICs) and SMS Confirmation</p> <p>The TIC code verifies the transaction has been initiated by the right person and that the user is trying to access their account. The TIC codes are issued by the Customers Bank and maybe a complicated digital sequence or a combination of numeric and alphanumeric characters</p> <p>The financial institution stores the users cell phone number, the valid user receives an SMS from the authentication server which should be validated by the user and once the authentication server receives a 'Yes' the user is approved for the transition</p>	<p>The authentication system can be applied with limited resources of a Java MIDP device without modification to underlying protocols</p> <p>The data is always encrypted while using untrusted networks to prevent from man in the middle attacks. The TICs are also encrypted before being stored on the users device</p> <p>Both parties are authenticated in this system</p>	<p>The method of receiving the Transaction identification code for the server is not efficient</p> <p>The installation of the TIC code on the user's device is not user friendly</p>

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<p>4)Multi-factor Authentication Framework for Cloud Computing</p> <p>R.K. Banyal, P. Jain, V.K Jain.</p> <p>Year - 2013</p>	<p>This paper proposes to create a Cloud Access Management system which will authenticate the user using multiple factors, it also uses secret splitting and encrypted value for arithmetic captcha in the cloud computing environment. All the cloud computing services are divided into three levels based on their security requirements. The first level uses secret key factor and arithmetic captcha expression, the second level is the same as the first and add extra factor a one-time password, the highest level uses three factors, first is arithmetic captcha, second is an OTP and third is the IMEI number of the users mobile phone</p>	<p>The system takes advantage of the fact that smartphones have become ubiquitous. It allows for secure change of credentials of any users like change of password, mobile phone and IMEI Number Uses a high entropy OTP and the secret key to the arithmetic captcha is never transmitted through public channels</p> <p>Even if an attacker were able to login into a user's system, they would be unable to use the cloud services, as they would require a secret key, OTP and IMEI Number.</p>	<p>If there is an issue with the Cloud Access Management server it will affect the access control of all users Maintenance and cost of a the server would be expensive and would require constant overview of the cloud administrator</p>
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<p>5) Enhanced Ecommerce application security using three-factor authentication</p> <p>Binitha Ann Scaria, Dr. Rajesh Kannan Megalingam</p> <p>Year - 2018</p>	<p>This paper talks about how the use of e-commerce websites like online banking is increasing day by day and due to technological advancement, it is easier for hackers to gain access to user's accounts. It talks about different attacks and how it is carried out. To tackle this issue a 3-factor authentication system is introduced which are username password, OTP and biometric such as fingerprints</p>	<p>This paper proposes a strong methodology which has little to no risk. The use of OTP which is generated by a cryptography concept of elliptic curve and fingerprint biometric is a strong security feature which banking portals must implement</p>	<p>The use of biometrics for login can only be done when a user has a device which is capable of scanning fingerprints. Due to this the cost of the product increases and not many users can take advantage of hte 3-level security</p>
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<p>6)Two Factor Authentications for Secured Login in support of effective Information Preservation and Network Security</p> <p>S. Vaithya subramanian, A. Christy D. Saravanan</p> <p>Year - 2015</p>	<p>This paper focuses on the implementation of a two-factor authentication method which is done by user-friendly traditional Alphanumeric Password and Graphical Password as a gateway for authentication</p> <p>The first gateway is an Alphanumeric password which was defined by the user during registration and gets verified by the admin, then the user provides a second password to get into the second gateway which is an image/pass faces. Both passwords are maintained by the service provider</p>	<p>Both passwords are given by the user during registration</p> <p>The passwords are maintained by the service provider and not a password management system</p> <p>Easy to implement</p>	<p>User has to remember both passwords and will not be able to get access without them</p> <p>The system is configured to assist the second gateway and takes additional time High space complexity</p>
<p>7)Robust Multi-Factor Authentication for Fragile Communications</p> <p>Xinyi Huang,</p>	<p>This paper has two proposals, the first is a generic multifactor authentication protocol to speed up authentication on large scale systems which tend to be slow, it provides a three-factor authentication protocol using</p>	<p>The added computation and storage of the Stand-alone authentication is independent of the number of users</p>	<p>If a user is revoked and there is a communication failure, device will not receive latest revocation list and user will have</p>

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<p>Yang Xiang, E.Bertino, Jianying Zhou, Li Xu</p> <p>Year - 2014</p>	<p>smart-card based passwords and fuzzy factor with improved efficiency</p> <p>the second objective is to provide a stand-alone authentication system which can authenticate users when the connection to the central server is down, it uses existing multi-factor authentication protocols without introducing any additional computational burden on the users' side</p>	<p>It is applicable on in a dynamic environment</p>	<p>successful standalone authentication The stand-alone authentication is vulnerable to online dictionary attacks</p>
<p>8)Internet Banking Login with MultiFactor Authentication</p> <p>Sirapat Boonkrong</p> <p>Year - 2017</p>	<p>This paper puts an emphasis on a security mechanism that provides the first protection to internet banking</p> <p>It aims to design and implement an authentication mechanism that can reduce the risk of an attack on the login process on internet banking, with the focus on the service provided via the web</p>	<p>The method only requires three messages between the bank's server and the client to complete the authentication process. In each of the three messages various authentication factors are applied</p> <p>The factors of authentication to be generated and used include a username, a password, number of iterations, a public key, a private key, a symmetric key, a digital signature and an IP address. All of these are unique to each user.</p>	<p>The threat of password reuse has not been addressed nor mitigated.</p> <p>If the user's password is guessed or known by an adversary, the system will become more vulnerable. This is because the password is one component that is used to generate the user's symmetric key, which in turn can unlock his or her private key.</p>

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<p>9)Multi-Factor Authentication: A Survey</p> <p>Aleksandr Ometov, Sergey Bezzateev, Niko Makitalo, Sergey Andreev, Tommi Mikkonen, Yevgeni Koucheryavy</p> <p>Year - 2018</p>	<p>The main ideas of this paper are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide a detailed analysis of factors that are presently utilized for MFA with their corresponding operational requirements.</li> <li>• To showcase the challenges related to MFA adoption from both the user experience and the technological perspectives</li> <li>• It proposes the framework based on the reversed Lagrange polynomial to allow for utilizing MFA in cases where some of the factors are missing</li> </ul>	<p>MFA becomes a system that promises the security and ease of use needed for modern users while acquiring access to sensitive data. Utilizing neural networks for the next-generation biometrics is the most likely way to proceed due to presently high levels of the analysis complexity. Biometric technology is a prominent direction driven by the mobile device market..</p>	<p>User acceptance is a critical aspect for the adoption of strong identity and multifactor authentication.</p> <p>An extremely important problem of MFA usability roots in the fact that “not all users can use any given biometric system”, for eg: . People who have lost their limb due to an accident may not be able to</p>
<p>10)A Method of Risk Assessment for Multi-Factor Authentication</p> <p>Jae-Jung Kim, Seng-Phil Hong</p> <p>Year - 2011</p>	<p>This paper analyzes user authentication methods being used in various online environments to identify the characteristics and issues of such authentication methods in order to present a user authentication level system model suitable for different online services</p>	<p>Improved the UALS (user authentication level system) model into a 5 level user authentication system Highly secure user authentication schemes using PKI and biometric This scheme can be used for high-risk financial transactions</p> <p>Providers of online products and services can provide the customer with safe and reliable authentication measures by carrying out regular risk assessments</p>	<p>As many diverse user authentication methods are provided by different services, a standard definition of levels in user authentication has come to be required.</p>

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<p>11)Multi factor authentication using mobile phones</p> <p>Fadi Aloul, Syed Zahidi, Wasim El-Hajj</p> <p>Year - 2009</p>	<p>This paper describes a method of implementing two factor authentication using mobile phones. The proposed method guarantees that authenticating to services, such as online banking or ATM machines, is done in a very secure manner.</p>	<p>The proposed system is secure and consists of three parts: software installed on the client's mobile phone, server software, and a GSM modem connected to the server. Both methods have been successfully implemented and tested, and shown to be robust and secure</p>	<p>The GUI is not user friendly</p> <p>Proposed system does not work on android phones without an os</p>
<p>12)Secure Online Transaction Algorithm: Securing Online Transaction Using Two-Factor Authentication</p> <p>Joseph Gualdoni, Andrew Kurtz, Ilva Myzyri, Megan Wheeler, Syed Rizvi</p> <p>Year - 2017</p>	<p>This paper presents a new algorithm of mitigating risk, the Secure Online Transaction Algorithm (SOTA)</p> <p>The proposed SOTA seeks to use 2FA with random codes</p> <p>The proposed SOTA uses mobile devices to log into card accounts via an application to view the randomly generated code. This is then inputted on an online retailer's website when prompted in order to authenticate the individual making the purchase.</p>	<p>This minimizes the possibility that an illegitimate user can use someone else's information to make fraudulent purchases</p> <p>This protects both the consumer and the credit card companies, which could be harmed financially</p>	<p>Credit card companies, users, and providers would need to be utilizing the scheme to so that the scheme to work properly. The model itself would cost credit card companies some money in order to implement it.</p>



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<p>13)Universal Multi-Factor Authentication Using Graphical Passwords</p> <p>Alireza Pirayesh Sabzevar, Angelos Stavrou</p> <p>Year - 2008</p>	<p>This paper proposes a variety of methods to authenticate a user with a graphical password. It employs the users handheld device as the password decoder and the second factor of authentication.</p> <p>In our methods, a service provider challenges the user with an image password. To determine the appropriate click points and their order, the user needs some hint information transmitted only to her handheld device.</p>	<p>This method can overcome threats such as keyloggers, weak password, and shoulder surfing. The approach can be leveraged by many organizations without forcing the user to memorize different passwords or carrying around different tokens.</p> <p>Renders attacks including dictionary attacks and keyboard sniffers computationally hard increasing our ability to defend against brute-force attacks</p>	<p>If the click points are explicitly marked, then anybody who has access to the handheld can authenticate as the real owner of the handheld</p>
<p>14)Trusted framework for online banking in public cloud using multifactor authentication and privacy protection gateway</p> <p>Sabout Nagaraju, Latha Parthiban</p> <p>Year-2015</p>	<p>This paper proposes a systematic Multi-factor biometric, fingerprint Authentication approach to provide a highly-secure identity verification process for validating the legitimacy of remote users. It also investigates the framework to develop a privacy protection gateway for obscuring and desensitizing the customers' account details using tokenization and data anonymization techniques.</p>	<p>The original format of data fields is retained at various levels of the database management systems and makes the data worthless to others except the owner</p> <p>In this approach the authentication credentials of the users are not revealed to the bank and cloud authentication servers</p>	<p>Banking governance, compliance and audit management are very complex</p>

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<p>15)Enhanced Authentication In Online Banking</p> <p>Gregory D. Williamson</p> <p>Year-2006</p>	<p>This study simplifies and provides a resource for understanding the many options available when implementing enhanced authentication in the online banking environment. It provides a detailed analysis on the number of authentication solutions that are available, it also lays out guidelines on how to select and implement an authentication system</p>	<p>It conducts an online survey, analyzing the demographics of users and their typical usage patterns and also asks what were the login procedures of banking accounts.</p>	<p>The paper does not provide an authentication solution Survey that was conducted only included one hundred and nineteen users ignoring a large user base</p>
<p>16) A Feasible and Cost Effective Two-Factor Authentication for Online Transactions</p> <p>Jing-Chiou Liou, Sujith Bhashyam</p> <p>Year-2010</p>	<p>This paper proposes a technique for two-factor authentication, called SoftToken,</p> <p>If a user requests an account for online transaction from a service provider, the server delivers a client software to the user's computer which installs two components onto user's computer. A logon application that is responsible to set up a direct communication between the server and user's computer without going through a webbased logon screen and a pseudorandom number generator which stores the server generated encrypted key on to the users computer</p>	<p>The provides strong online security while having a simple deployment process</p> <p>This method is cost effective and feasible for many online services</p>	<p>The security provided is not as much as those provided by one time password based multi- factor systems</p>

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<p>17) A Survey on Multi-Factor Authentication for Online Banking in the Wild</p> <p>Federico Sinigaglia, Roberto Carbone, Gabriele Costa, Nicola Zannone</p> <p>Year - 2020</p>	<p>This paper presents a latitudinal study on the adoption of MFA and the design choices made by banks operating in different countries</p> <p>In particular it evaluates the MFA solutions currently adopted in the banking sector in terms of (1)compliance with laws and best practices, (2)robustness against attacks and (3)complexity</p> <p>They also investigate possible correlations between these criteria</p>	<p>Banks usually provide their clients with a variety of MFA protocols All banks employ a min of 2 and a max of 9 authenticators EU banks on average, comply with half of the considered requirements</p> <p>The majority of the banks can easily become compliant with these requirements just by offering a subset of the MFA protocols they currently support</p>	<p>The paper only considered 3 banks per country, which cannot fully support statements on national trends The approach for analyzing the robustness and complexity of MFA protocols is independent from the specific application domain, therefore the approach can be applied to analyze MFA protocols in general</p>
<p>18) A Survey of Authentication and Communications Security in Online Banking</p> <p>Kilijan S, Simoens K, Cock D.D., Eekelen M.C.J.D. van, Vranken H.P.E</p> <p>Year - 2017</p>	<p>The paper provides a new state of the art, based on a longer observation period between 2013 and 2015, and with a larger number of banks from different parts of the world</p> <p>The scope of the paper is authentication and communications security between banks and customers, using information sources from the websites of banks and publicly available documentation</p>	<p>Multiple factors provide protection against long-term credential stealing attacks 75% of the banks offer an authentication method that relies on multiple factors for home banking</p>	<p>If an attacker can observe network traffic and manipulate a victim's browser to submit requests to a target site, it is possible to retrieve data from the TLS stream when DEFLATE compression is used An attacker can steal session cookies with CRIME, which makes it possible to hijack a session</p>

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<p>19)Evaluation of transaction authentication methods for online banking</p> <p>Kilijan S, Vranken H, Eekelen M.C.J.D van</p> <p>Year - 2018</p>	<p>This paper proposes feasibility as an additional dimension which quantifies aspects related to the secure usability of transaction authentication methods</p> <p>Four implemented and eight proposed authentication methods for online banking were evaluated by seven experts. The results indicate that the mechanism can be applied on a wide range of authentication methods, since it is able to evaluate methods based on different information schemes</p>	<p>Can be applied on a wide range of authentication methods.</p> <p>Expanded Renaud's quantifying mechanism to accommodate aspects related to transaction authentication in online banking in a user-centric context</p>	<p>Care must be taken that evaluations are performed by multiple experts, due to the amount of subjectivity inherent in the mechanism and in difference of the raters</p>
<p>20)On app-bases Matrix Code Authentication in Online Banking</p> <p>Vincent Hauptert, Tilo Muller</p> <p>Year - 2016</p>	<p>This paper emphasizes the risks that single-device mobile banking poses</p> <p>They show a transaction manipulation attack on the appbased authentication schemes of Deutsche Bank, Commerzbank and Norisbank</p> <p>Furthermore, they evaluate whether the matrix code authentication method that these banks and Comdirect implement - wisely known as photoTan - is compliant with the upcoming Revises Payment Service Directive (P2D2) of the European Banking Authority (EBA)</p>	<p>The chipTAN is an established procedure used in online banking. It uses the customer's personal bank card and a dedicated reader device to securely authenticate a transaction</p> <p>The photoTAN method is adopted by a lot of german and swiss banks</p>	<p>App-based authentication schemes provide less security than other methods because they run on a smartphone Running the banking and the photoTAN app on the same device cannot be regarded as secure</p>

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<p>21)Databases using multifactor authentication</p> <p>Rajyashree R, Vaishnavi Moorthy, Nedunchelian R</p> <p>Year - 2017</p>	<p>This paper proposes a new multifactor authentication framework for cloud computing.</p> <p>The proposed framework provides a feasible and a most effective mechanism which can closely integrate with the traditional authentication system to ensure data confidentiality by encrypting the files before they are uploaded into the cloud drive.</p> <p>Random function generated unique key that does contains any data corresponding to the actual file data attributes used for decrypt the metadata and acquire information</p>	<p>Storage devices with inbuilt encryption techniques are available which are resilient to unauthorized access</p> <p>Multi-factor authentication with client owned master key provide privacy services to intended customer.</p> <p>Key generated does not include any file attributes without any algorithm for reconstruction of the key and hence it is more secure.</p>	<p>The main issue with data-at-rest in the cloud is loss of control, even a nonauthorized user/party may have access to the data</p>
<p>22)Case study: Online banking security</p> <p>Kjell J Hole, Vebjørn Moen, Thomas Tjøstheim</p> <p>Year - 2006</p>	<p>This paper studied customer authentication methods in several Norwegian Internet banks from 2003 through 2004</p> <p>Their investigation shows that authentication was often weak, offering simple but powerful attack possibilities</p> <p>They discuss the authentication methods and the attacks they made possible</p>	<p>A well designed system should be invulnerable to brute forcing</p> <p>They list out all the simple attacks possible which can be easily avoided</p>	<p>The attacks discussed use wellknown brute-force and DDoS techniques and require no high-level expertise to perform Application layer DDoS attacks are still a serious problem</p>

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<p>23)Multilevel Security and Dual OTP System for Online Transaction Against Attacks</p> <p>Muneeswari, G. Puthussery, Antony</p> <p>Year - 2019</p>	<p>This paper proposes a secured online transaction system for banking using multilevel encryption of blowfish and AES algorithms incorporated with dual OTP technique</p> <p>The performance of the proposed methodology is analyzed with respect to a number of bytes encrypted per unit time and they conclude that the multilevel encryption provides better security system with faster encryption standards than the ones that are currently in use</p>	<p>Multilevel encryption provides better security system with faster encryption standards than the ones that are currently in use.</p> <p>Blowfish algorithm has been incorporated which is found to be a less time consuming process</p> <p>Dual OTP scheme is also one of the identified high security over one time OTP system.</p>	<p>Even though tough encryption standards are provided against network attacks, it is prone to be broken.</p> <p>With this method, all the banking customers are supposed to have two mobile numbers</p>
<p>24)Information systems continuance intention of web-based applications customers: The case of online banking</p> <p>Banphot Vatanasombut, Magid Igbaria , Antonis C. Stylianou,</p>	<p>This paper extended Commitment–Trust theory, an expectation–confirmation model, and technology acceptance theory to develop a model of IS continuance intention of customers of web-based applications</p> <p>Relationship commitment and trust were found to be central to IS continuance intention. Also, perceived empowerment influenced relationship commitment, while perceived security influenced trust.</p>	<p>Customers who receive high benefits from a relationship with their online bank are likely to commit themselves to that relationship.</p> <p>Empowered customers are likely to commit themselves to their relationship with an online bank</p>	<p>The drive for differentiation and speed-to-market has led in a large number of comparable alternative sites and users find it easy to switch between them.</p> <p>Customers who are committed to their relationship with their online bank are likely to continue</p>

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<p>Waymond Rodgers</p> <p>Year - 2008</p>	<p>Their findings thus supported traditional intention factors, highlighting the role of trust as a stronger predictor of intention than commitment but, contradicting findings from marketing research, trust was found to be a stronger predictor of retention in the e-commerce context</p>	<p>Customers who perceive that their online bank's services are secure are likely to trust that bank.</p>	<p>using the services offered by that bank.</p> <p>The high costs of collecting real data on customer activity in maintaining or terminating their banking relationships and the unpredictable temporal pattern of customers leaving the bank prevented the use of real IS continuance intention data.</p>
<p>25)On the Security of Today's On-line Electronic Banking Systems</p> <p>Joris Claessens, Valentin Dem, Danny De Cock, Bart Preneel, Joos Vandewalle</p>	<p>This paper discusses the security of today's electronic banking systems. They focus on Internet and mobile banking and present an overview and evaluation of the techniques that are used in the current systems</p> <p>The best practice is indicated, together with improvements for the future. The issues discussed in this paper are generally applicable in other electronic services such as e-commerce and e-government.</p>	<p>On-line electronic banking systems give everybody the opportunity for easy access to their banking activities.</p> <p>Almost all today's electronic banking systems rely on the SSL/TLS/WTLS protocols.</p> <p>The use of other hardware tokens, such as a Digipass that generates responses to unpredictable challenges of the bank and that is able to calculate MACs, or such as a smart card that is already used in other (related) applications</p>	<p>Main security issue consists of the establishment of a secure channel to provide data confidentiality and data integrity of communications between a client and an authenticated bank.</p> <p>The fact that a client platform is not secure is often just due to the lack of</p> <p>Security knowledge of the end-use</p>

### 3. **Proposed work:**

Our Online banking interface has three layers of authentication: signup using password, Time based OTP via Email and image recognition. We use protected routes to ensure that users cannot access bank features via url once they have signed out.

If a user tries to access the '/transaction' feature via url if they're not signed in, the application will redirect them to the sign in page.

#### a. **First Layer of Authentication**

The first layer of authentication is a sign up page that contains two fields: username and password. If the incoming user is a new user, they can register themselves and their details will be stored in the database. The passwords of the users are hashed using bcrypt which uses blowfish cypher and hashes the users passwords with a random salt value generated by the backend.

#### b. **Second Layer of Authentication**

The second layer of authentication is a One Time Password. The otp is generated by the backend. Each time a user enters the system, a new token is generated which is hashed using SHA-256 algorithm and stored in the database. If a new user uses the application a new token is inserted into the database. If an existing user uses the application, the token gets updated. Using the user's token we generate a TOTP (Time based One Time Password) which has a lifetime of 30 seconds and a window of 1. This window of 1 specifies that the previous OTP sent by the backend is still valid if the user runs out of time. This OTP is sent to the user via mail. The user then retrieves the OTP and pastes it in the field. This OTP is validated against the backend and if it is the right OTP, then the

user gets redirected to the third layer of authentication.

#### c. **Third Layer of authentication**

The third layer of authentication is knowledge-based image recognition. The user will be prompted to choose 3 different images from 3 different categories, the first category will be a color and the user can choose their favorite color, the hex code of the color will be hashed and stored in the database, the user can choose any shade or tint of the color.

For instance, if they choose a shade of yellow, any shade or tint of yellow is valid. The second category will be an object like cars or items.

The third category will be a celebrity. The user is expected to remember all these three values for their banking authentication, an email will be sent to the user after they've selected these images during the registration phase, which will contain the images they've selected and this will be sent only once during the registration phase

### 3.4. **Functional Requirements:**

#### 3.4.1. **Login/Register new user**

The users should be able to sign in as an existing user or register as a new user. The details of the user must be stored securely in the database and sensitive details such as passwords must be hashed and non-retrievable by any other third-party members.

#### 3.4.2. **Account Details**

The dashboard of the user must display the account details of the user such as balance amount, account number and so on. The system must allow the user to edit his account details or add a new account. If the user wants to add a new account, it must be permitted by the administrator.



### 3.4.3. Money Transfer

The users must be able to transfer money from one account to another via account numbers. The balance must be updated based on the transfer.

### 3.4.4. Credit Card/Debit Card

The system must be able to generate a credit card and debit card for each user. The user

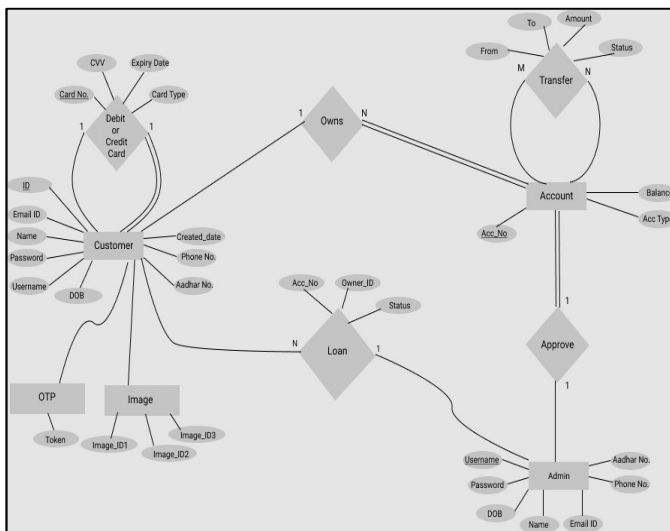
also must be able to request for a card depending on the type. Payments using

### 3.4.5. History of Transactions

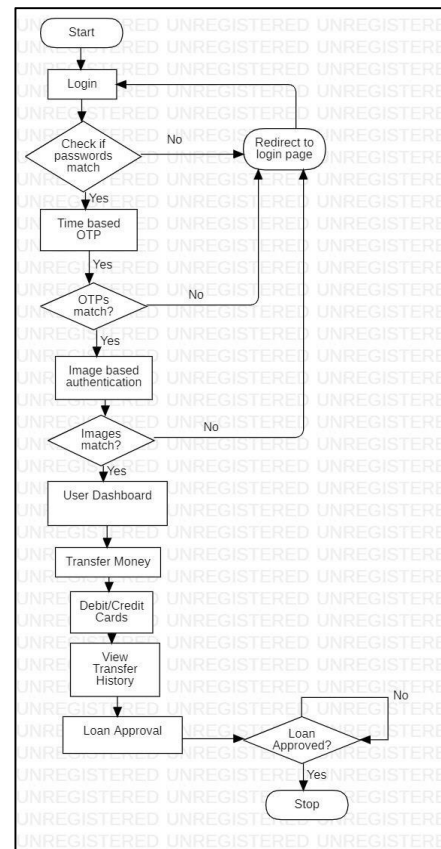
The user must be able to view the history of transactions conducted by the user in that specific account. The list of transactions along with source, recipient and time should be displayed to the user.

## 3.5. Architectures/Diagrams:

### 3.5.1. Entity Relationship Diagram



### 3.5.2. Flow Diagram



## 4. Result Analysis

Fig 1: Sign in Form

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Create a new Account

Full Name

Phone Number

Date of Birth

Email

Username

Password

Confirm Password

Avatar Name

Fig 2: Register Form

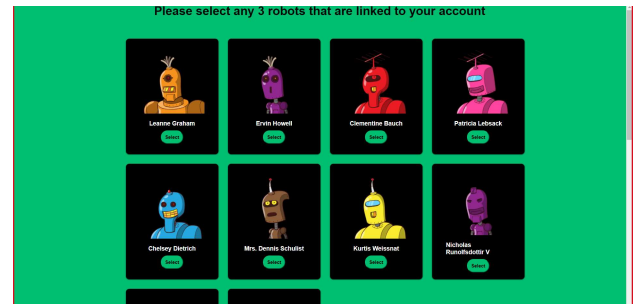


Fig 6: Third Factor Robot Selection after OTP

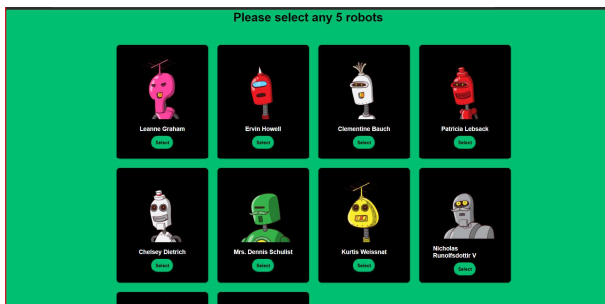


Fig3: Robot Selection after Registration

Answer this personal question

What was your first car?

Fig 7: Third Factor Personal Question

Please choose a personal question

Select your question

Fig4: Personal Question Selection after Registration

Please enter the OTP

We have sent a 6 digit verification code to your registered email ID

Fig 5: OTP as Second Layer of Authentication

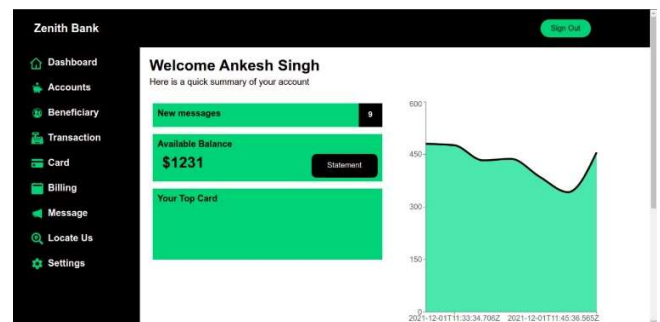


Fig 8: User Dashboard

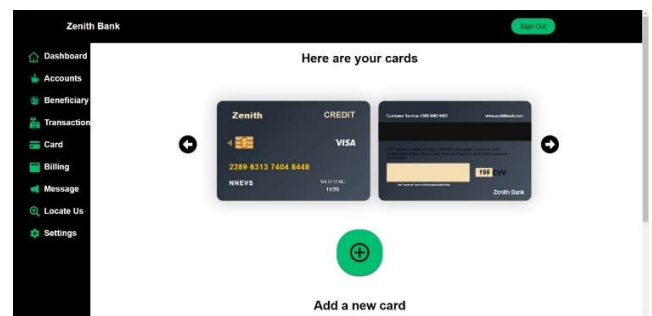


Fig 9: Card Details linked to the users account

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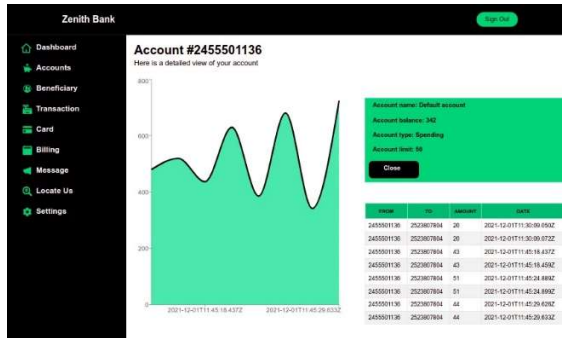


Fig 10: Details about the particular account

**Add account**  
Simply enter in the details below to create a new account

Your new account number: #2338851393

Account name:

Account type:

Maximum spend limit:

[Add new](#)

Fig 11: Add a new account

**Transaction**  
Fill in the specified fields to transfer credits

**Transfer to an account number**

Select an account:

Transfer to account:

Amount to transfer:

[TRANSFER AMOUNT](#)

**Account info**  
Account number: 801  
Account name: Select to display  
Balance: 1.0000000000000000

Fig 12: Transaction Page

**Beneficiary**  
Here is a list of all your beneficiaries

BENEFICIARY NAME	BENEFICIARY ACCOUNT	ACTION
Peter	25/2007804	<a href="#">Remove</a>

**Add a new beneficiary**

Beneficiary name:

Beneficiary account:

[Send request](#)

Fig 13: Beneficiary Page

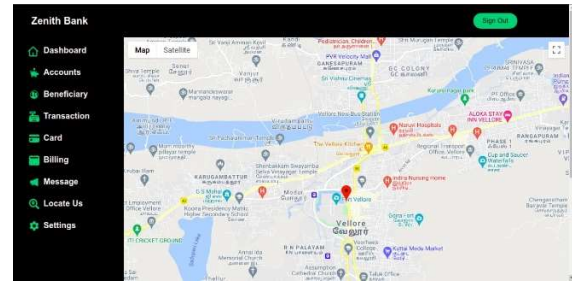


Fig 14: Google Maps

The user can be first directed to the launch page. From there the user can either sign in or register as a new user. If the user chose register, then they will have to enter the details and then they will be redirected to the third factor selection page as shown in the results. The user gets a mail regarding his registration details.

If the user selected sign in, they have to enter their username and password. On successful authentication, they will be redirected to the OTP page which is a TOTP (Time Based OTP) with a duration of 30s and a window of 1. The user will receive the OTP in his mail. On successful authentication, the user gets redirected to the third factor, where they have to choose three of the five robots that they have registered with and answer a personal question that they have selected.

All sensitive information regarding the user such as password, robot IDs have been hashed and stored in the database. The hash used the bcrypt hash with a salt round of ten rounds. The user's secret key for the generation of OTP is created each time the user enters the website and is discarded after they sign out. The third factor robots have been generated with the help of the user's phone number which is unique to each user.

## 5. Risk Analysis

If a user's email is compromised an attackers will be able to intercept the OTP and negate the first factor of the authentication system

The sample size of the images that can be selected is relatively small so an attacker could run a brute force attack and identify the images that the user had chosen

## 6. Future work

In Real-time deployment of a three-factor authentication system, it could suffer from security risks due to bad design or underestimating the severity of client-side attacks.

Advances to the system that could be addressed in future works on the topic of multi factor authentication is the use of Out-Of-Band channels. Which will allow a user to be authenticated by being able to communicate with the authentication servers through the OOB Channel.

The use of public packages could lead to the loss of information as security is not guaranteed

If an attacker has adequate information of a user they will be able to brute force the personal question section of the 3<sup>rd</sup> factor of the system

A survey could be conducted to analyze if users are satisfied with the

3-factor system whether it is able to accommodate for the tradeoff between usability and security. Increasing the image sample size to help prevent against brute force attacks.

Emails are sent to users using public packages, a standalone SMTP server could be used instead where it would have encryption methods to prevent loss of information

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