



G L O B A L R A I N

Practices for Secure Software Report

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Client



Instructions

Submit this completed practices for secure software report. Replace the bracketed text with the relevant information. You must document your process for writing secure communications and refactoring code that complies with software security testing protocols.

- Respond to the steps outlined below and include your findings.
- Respond using your own words. You may also choose to include images or supporting materials. If you include them, make certain to insert them in all the relevant locations in the document.
- Refer to the Project Two Guidelines and Rubric for more detailed instructions about each section of the template.

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1. Algorithm Cipher

Artemis Financial needs to encrypt all of their long-term archive files. After reviewing available options, AES-256 (Advanced Encryption Standard with a 256-bit key) is the encryption standard recommended. AES-256 is symmetric key encryption that is widely recognized as strong and government regulation-compliant, including FIPS 140-2 (Federal Information Processing Standard). Due to the length of its key, it is highly resilient against brute-force attacks, making it suitable for securing sensitive data (National Institute of Standards and Technology [NIST], 2001).

2. Certificate Generation

Insert a screenshot below of the CER file.

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~/dev/school/CS-305-Project-Two keytool -genkey -keyalg RSA -alias selfsigned -keystore keystore.jks -storepass password -validity 360 -keysize 2048

Enter the distinguished name. Provide a single dot (.) to leave a sub-component empty or press ENTER to use the default value in braces.
What is your first and last name?
[Unknown]: Daniel Aguiar
What is the name of your organizational unit?
[Unknown]: CS-305
What is the name of your organization?
[Unknown]: SNHU
What is the name of your City or Locality?
[Unknown]: North Hills
What is the name of your State or Province?
[Unknown]: California
What is the two-letter country code for this unit?
[Unknown]: CA
Is CN=Daniel Aguiar, OU=CS-305, O=SNHU, L=North Hills, ST=California, C=CA correct?
[no]: yes

~/dev/school/CS-305-Project-Two keytool -export -alias selfsigned -file mycertificate.cer -keystore keystore.jks -storepass password

Certificate stored in file <mycertificate.cer>
~/dev/school/CS-305-Project-Two cat mycertificate.cer
0
0l      *H0
0p1
0      UCA10U
California10U
0      North Hills1
U
UNHU10
251019225650Z0p1
0      UCA10U
California10U
0      North Hills1
U
UNHU10
0Daniel A*Hiar0"0
*X"YroWA*Hf*XSa*[j&X"***~!00UzIyU*+^60v*v^*E6U<*/
Bv*+g9<tl      "iZo*.02_(
*+:\Hw*[*sX@*D433W3\
*e$=;*N?*N*VG<*uw      5F'j/M'***H5*L2k<[%~*^|*HM*+!(+B*~^_I%QGb*
{8s*~*npKi*+Y*v.~
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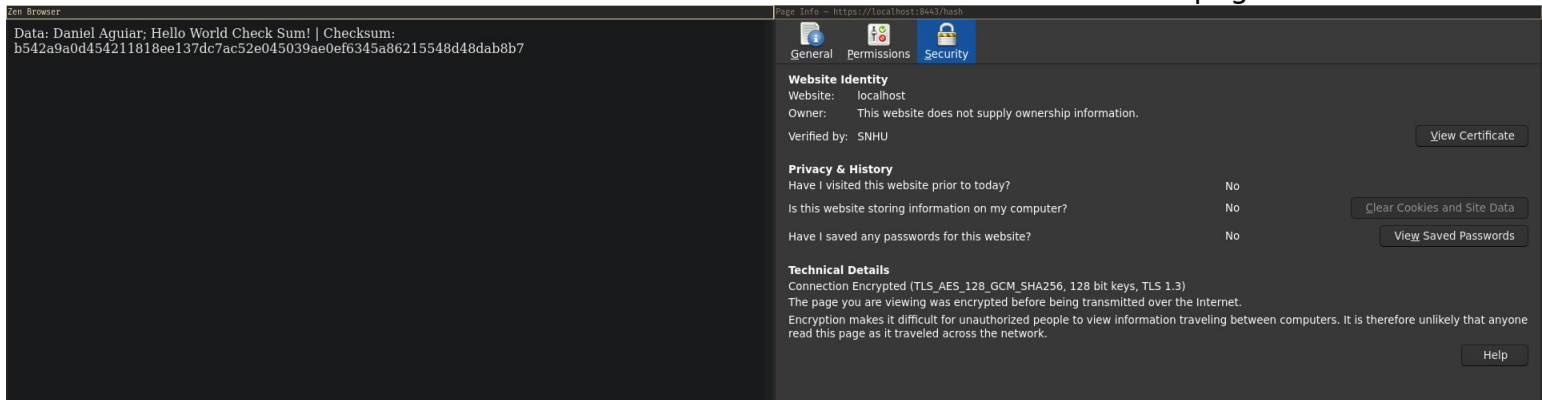
3. Deploy Cipher

Insert a screenshot below of the checksum verification.



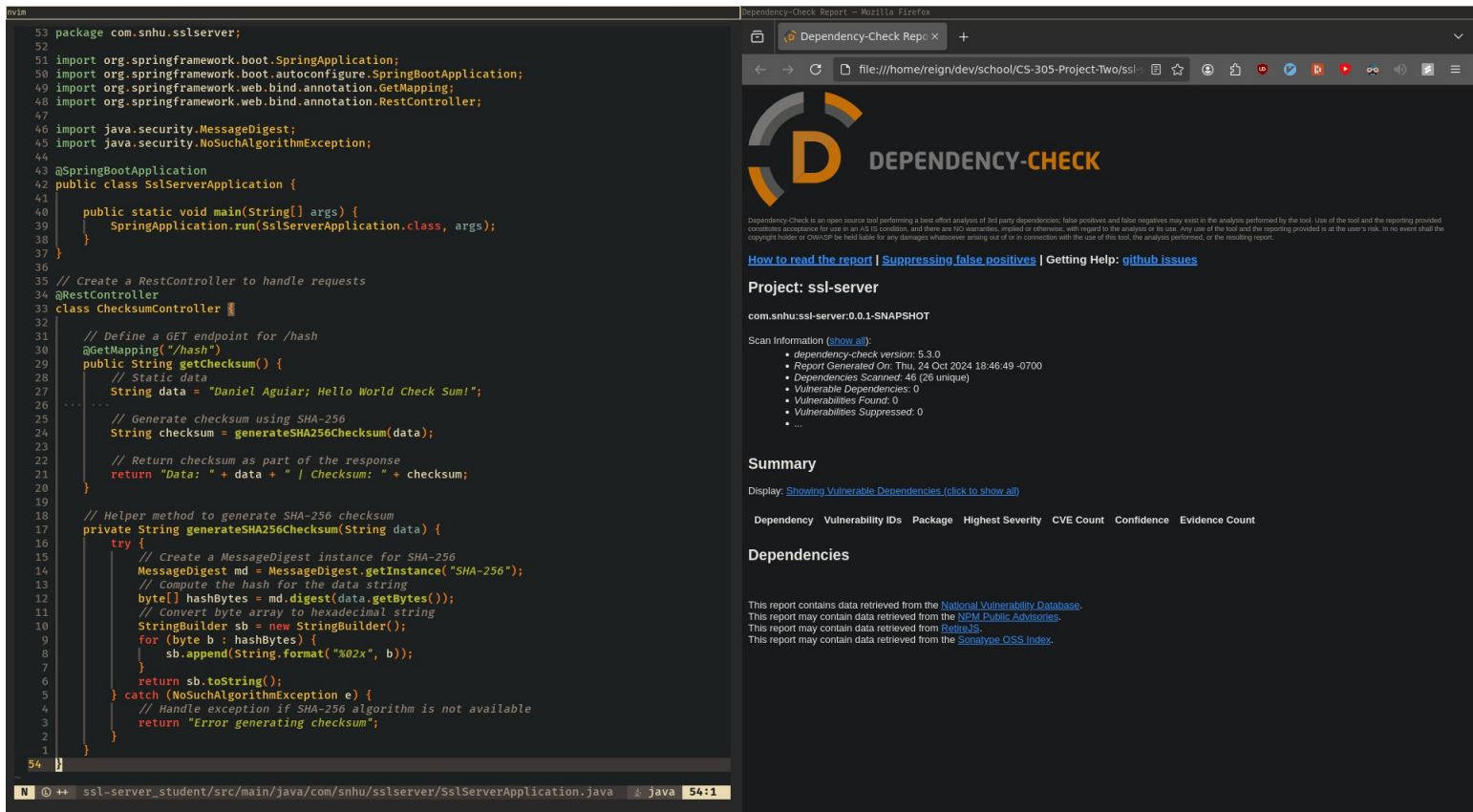
4. Secure Communications

Insert a screenshot below of the web browser that shows a secure webpage.



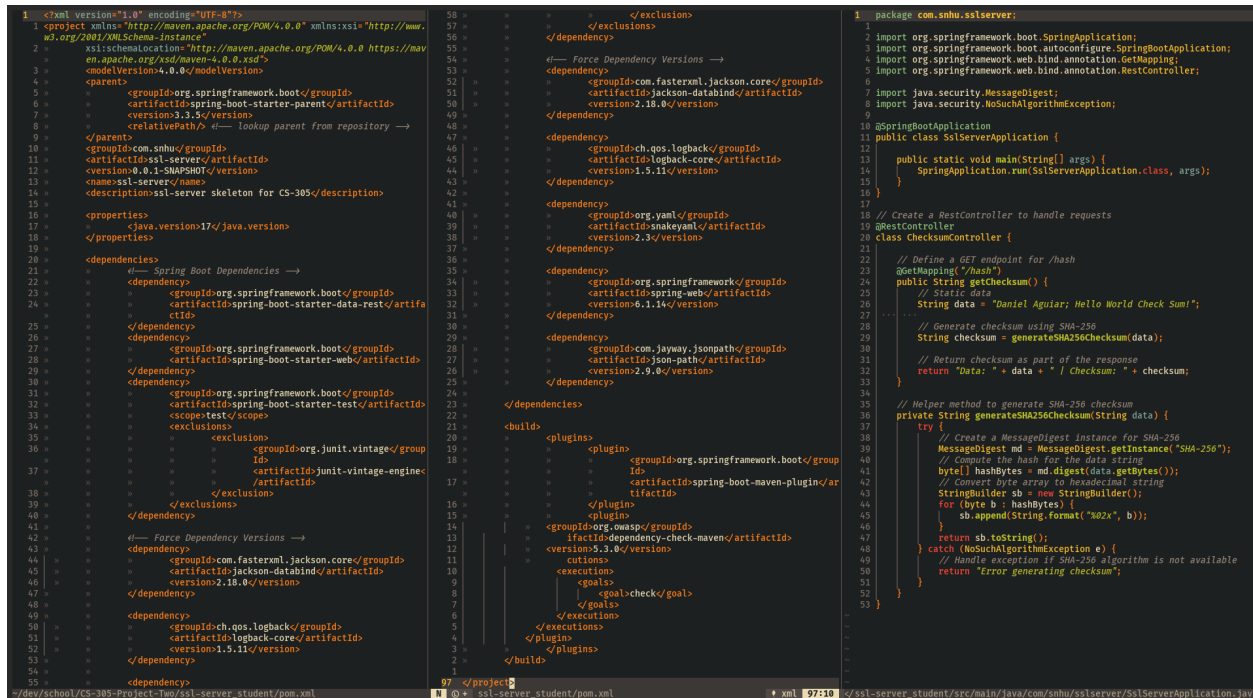
5. Secondary Testing

Insert screenshots below of the refactored code executed without errors and the dependency-check report.



6. Functional Testing

Insert a screenshot below of the refactored code executed without errors.



7. Summary

This project successfully enhanced the security in Artemis Financial's software through the implementation of AES-256 encryption, a self-signed SSL certificate to enable communication over HTTPS, verification of data integrity via a cryptographic hash, and by upgrading dependencies to fix vulnerabilities. I refactored code to support generating SHA-256 checksums and performed secondary testing with OWASP's Dependency-Check to ensure no new vulnerabilities were being introduced. Functional testing confirmed that data was handled securely; hence, all changes are appropriate and per Artemis's security goals and industry standards.

8. Industry Standard Best Practices

Industry-standard best practices to secure Artemis Financial software: AES-256 encryption, and HTTPS with a self-signed SSL certificate protects data in transit; use of the dependency-check tooling in code to keep that code secure by identifying known vulnerabilities. The project follows the OWASP guidelines and secure coding principles, which reduce risks and strengthen Artemis Financial data security.