

## Datasheet

# **Cequence Unified API Protection** for FinServ

## **Protecting Global Financial Services Organizations Against API Attacks**

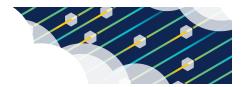
## Introduction

Financial services organizations were among the first to embrace mainframe computing, and are now leveraging applications, APIs and microservices to further business goals, like reducing cost and transaction friction, and providing customers with compelling new services. Unfortunately, this rise in API use corresponds with an increase in API-origin data breaches, compromising tens of millions of sensitive customer records. The increased adoption of APIs requires a strengthening of security to protect open banking.

Regulators and standards bodies have taken note, drafting new and updating existing regulations and standards to ensure that APIs are secure and sensitive data is protected. The U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) has proposed rules to accelerate the shift toward open banking, deprecating screen scaping in favor of APIs. The European Payment Services Directive (PSD2) mandates banks share customer financial data with authorized third-party providers (TPPs) through secure APIs. The FFIEC has provided guidance on how covered entities should protect APIs. NIST SP 800-24, PCI DSS version 4.0, the U.S. Treasury Department, and other rule-making bodies leaning into Open Banking/Open Finance have also been floating requirements to securely develop, deploy, and use APIs. To ensure uninterrupted business success, security teams must prevent the misuse and abuse of these business-critical services that rely on APIs.

## **API Security and Bot Management Challenges**

Today's security teams face unique, cross-functional challenges when it comes to protecting critical APIs and applications from cyber attacks.



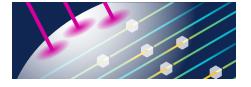
## Lift the Fog

APIs are routinely developed and deployed by disparate teams at lightning speed across a mix of on-premises and cloud infrastructure, creating a "fog of war" that shrouds security team visibility. Discoverable by attackers, these unmanaged and unprotected APIs often contain critical vulnerabilities that lead to exploited applications and data breaches.



## **Maintain Good Posture**

Security and development teams do not have a clear and consistent picture of the security posture of their APIs across their application portfolio. Understanding where a critical vulnerability, sensitive data exposure, or business logic flaw can be exploited empowers security teams on remediating pinpointed areas of security risk.



## **Protect the Core**

API applications are constantly probed by attackers seeking any opportunity to exploit an application and compromise your organization. The ability to detect and block attacks as they occur can prevent organizations from experiencing fraud, data exfiltration, and business disruption.

## **Financial Services Use Cases**



Prevent Identity Breaches



Continuously Discover APIs



Quantify API Risk



Prevent Account Takeover (ATO)

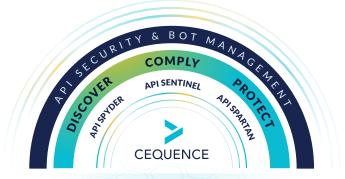




Avoid Aggregator Abuse

Prevent API Business Logic Abuse

## The Cequence Unified API Protection Platform



### UNIFIED API PROTECTION PLATFORM

To address these security challenges, the ideal solution must continuously engage in complete discovery of your entire API attack surface that includes both external and internal APIs, understand your API risk posture pinpointing which critical security vulnerabilities need remediation, and provide real-time protection that detects and blocks attacks *before* they reach your applications.

The Cequence solution is the only security offering that addresses all phases of your API protection lifecycle, discovers your entire API attack surface, eliminates unknown and unmitigated API security risks, and protects your applications and APIs from cyber attacks that lead to data loss, fraud, and business disruption.

The Cequence Unified API Protection platform enables customers to continuously reap the competitive and business advantages of secure applications and ubiquitous API connectivity. The Cequence solution results in attack futility, failure, and fatigue for even the most relentless of attackers. It significantly improves visibility and protection while reducing cost, minimizing fraud, data loss, noncompliance, and business disruption. Learn more at www.cequence.ai.

## DISCOVER with API SPYDER

#### **API Attack Surface Discovery**

#### Discover and classify | Manage external exposure | Alert and monitor changes

An API attack surface discovery management product that provides visibility of publicly-accessible APIs and their vulnerabilities, giving you an attacker's view of your organization. API Spyder continuously reveals new API servers, endpoints, and hosting providers so that security and compliance teams are aware of their existence.

## COMPLY with API SENTINEL

### **API Security Posture Management**

#### Monitor posture continuously | Test pre-production APIs | Remediate risks

An API security posture management solution that discovers an organization's complete API footprint, ensures APIs are compliant, conforming to specifications, security test requirements, and governance best practices, and provides autonomous API test creation to identify vulnerabilities and prevent data leakage before production.

## **PROTECT** with **API SPARTAN**

#### **Bot Management & Fraud Prevention**

#### Block Application & API attacks | Prevent theft, business logic abuse, fraud

A bot management and fraud prevention solution that protects organizations and their applications from the full range of automated attacks. Requiring no agents, JavaScript, or SDKs, it utilizes multi-dimensional behavioral fingerprints to identify and natively block attacks in real time. It mitigates business logic attacks, exploits, automated bot activity, online fraud, OWASP API Security Top 10 attacks, and much more.

## **Protecting Top Global Financial Services Brands**





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