

Lab: 11 Reentrancy Attack: Henil V. Computer Security.

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[12/14/22]seed@VM:~/.../contract$ ls
Makefile  README.md  ReentrancyAttacker.sol  ReentrancyVictim.sol  solc-0.6.8
[12/14/22]seed@VM:~/.../contract$ solc-0.6.8 --overwrite --abi --bin -o . ReentrancyVictim.sol
Compiler run successful. Artifact(s) can be found in directory ..
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Generate .abi and .bin files and we can see them.

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Deploy victim contract and use the address for deploying attack victim and then funding the victim contract, withdrawing etc.

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Open  [icon] fund_victim_contract.py  Save  [icon]  [icon]  [icon]
~/Downloads/Blockchain_CSE643-20221110...cy-20221213T160507Z-001/643_reentrancy

1#!/bin/env python3
2
3from web3 import Web3
4import SEEDWeb3
5import os
6
7abi_file    = "/contract/ReentrancyVictim.abi"
8victim_addr = '0xDD091dC9A42CCf45d7Fc1F872794520fdF2d12EB'
9
10# Connect to our geth node
11port = 8547
12web3 = SEEDWeb3.connect_to_geth_poa('http://127.0.0.1:{}'.format(port))
13
14# We use web3.eth.accounts[1] as the sender because it has more Ethers
15sender_account = web3.eth.accounts[1]
16web3.geth.personal.unlockAccount(sender_account, "admin")
17
18# Deposit Ethers to the victim contract
19# The attacker will steal them in the attack later
20contract_abi = SEEDWeb3.getFileContent(abi_file)
21amount = 30 # the unit is ether
22contract = web3.eth.contract(address=victim_addr, abi=contract_abi)
23tx_hash = contract.functions.deposit().transact({
24    'from': sender_account,
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Update the victim contract contact info and then enter the amount 30 that you want to transfer.

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deploy_attack_contract.py  deploy_victim_contract.py  fund_victim_contract.py  withdraw_from_victim_contract.py
3from web3 import Web3
4import SEEDWeb3
5import os
6
7abi_file    = "contract/ReentrancyVictim.abi"
8victim_addr = '0xDD091dC9A42CCf45d7Fc1F872794520fdF2d12EB'
9filename = 'contract_address_victim.txt'
10
11
12# Connect to our geth node
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14web3 = SEEDWeb3.connect_to_geth_poa('http://127.0.0.1:{}'.format(port))
15
16# We use web3.eth.accounts[1] as the sender because it has more Ethers
17sender_account = web3.eth.accounts[1]
18web3.geth.personal.unlockAccount(sender_account, "admin")
19
20# Deposit Ethers to the victim contract
21# The attacker will steal them in the attack later
22contract_abi = SEEDWeb3.getFileContent(abi_file)
23contract = web3.eth.contract(address=victim_addr, abi=contract_abi)
24amount = 5
25tx_hash = contract.functions.withdraw(Web3.toWei(amount, 'ether')).transact({
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We then withdraw 5 ether from the above using code.

We generate the attack .bin and .abi files.

```
[12/14/22]seed@VM:~/.../contract$ solc-0.6.8 --overwrite --abi --bin -o . ReentrancyAttacker.sol
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Warning: This contract has a payable fallback function, but no receive ether function. Consider adding a receive ether function.

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--> ReentrancyAttacker.sol:6:1:
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6 | contract ReentrancyAttacker {  
  | ^ (Relevant source part starts here and spans across multiple lines).
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Note: The payable fallback function is defined here.

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--> ReentrancyAttacker.sol:15:5:
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15 |     fallback() external payable {  
    |     ^ (Relevant source part starts here and spans across multiple lines).
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Counter Measures:

The attack works because we are not updating the balance before withdrawing the funds. Attacker raises a withdraw request and another request is generated which causes the fund to be withdrawn. The idea is if you update the balance the attack stops. You can re-compile and rerun and the attack stops.

```
12
13 receive() external payable {
14     total_amount += msg.value;
15 }
16
17 function withdraw(uint _amount) public {
18     require(balances[msg.sender] >= _amount);
19
20     balances[msg.sender] -= _amount;
21     (bool sent, ) = msg.sender.call{value: _amount}("");
22     require(sent, "Failed to send Ether!");
23
24     balances[msg.sender] -= _amount;
25     total_amount -= _amount;
26 }
27
28 function getBalance(address _addr) public view returns (uint) {
29     return balances[_addr];
30 }
31
32 function getContractBalance() public view returns (uint) {
33     return address(this).balance;
34 }
35 }
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