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Issue 1174582: Security: ScriptProcessorNode allows write of Float32Array across threads

Reported by ahuff...@microsoft.com on Thu, Feb 4, 2021, 12:24 PM EST Project Member

Code

VULNERABILITY DETAILS

ScriptProcessorNode buffers are not modified on the main thread. And they are re-used on subsequent entries into the ScriptProcessorHandler::Process function. The buffer can be modified / used in the main thread and it will be reset back to the source data by an audio thread. This could be abused in a few ways to get code execution however the below is the simplest crash demonstrating the issue.

This issue appears to effect both Chrome and Safari, trunk of the WebKit project, and should also be reported to Apple. We could submit that ourselves through our own process, however, if you have your own steps for situations like this which would streamline the process I am happy to let y'all handle it.

Just an FYI, the poc is shockingly unreliable on WebKit.

VERSION

Chrome Version: 88.0.4324.146 + stable
Operating System: Ubuntu 20.04

REPRODUCTION CASE

- 1) Run the attached poc.html
- 2) Click the words click me.
- 3) Renderer should crash.

CREDIT INFORMATION

Reporter credit: Alison Huffman, Microsoft Browser Vulnerability Research

webkit.asan.log

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Comment 1 by ahuff...@microsoft.com on Thu, Feb 4, 2021, 12:51 PM EST Project Member

Cc: josep...@microsoft.com

Comment 2 by tsepez@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 4, 2021, 2:58 PM EST

Status: Assigned (was: Unconfirmed)

Owner: hongchan@chromium.org

Labels: Security_Severity-High Security_Impact-Stable Pri-1

hongchan - you've done some work with threads in the script processor, could you take a look or re-assign as appropriate?

Comment 3 by adetaylor@google.com on Thu, Feb 4, 2021, 3:13 PM EST

ahuffman@ thanks for the report. I think you should go ahead and report this to WebKit independently. We do have a process for reporting WebKit bugs, but I think it would just add complexity to have us in the communications loop.

Could you let us know when you've got some reference number/ticket ID from Apple about this bug? That'd be helpful. Thanks!

[Comment 4](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 4, 2021, 3:14 PM EST

Re [#c2](#): I'll take a look.

[Comment 5](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 4, 2021, 3:49 PM EST

We already have `|process_event_lock_|` to avoid this race, but it seems not enough.

https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:third_party/blink/renderer/modules/webaudio/script_processor_node.cc;cc|=242

Looking further...

[Comment 6](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Fri, Feb 5, 2021, 12:25 PM EST

Status: Started (was: Assigned)

[Comment 7](#) by [sheriffbot](#) on Fri, Feb 5, 2021, 12:48 PM EST

Labels: Target-88 M-88

Setting milestone and target because of `Security_Impact=Stable` and high severity.

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[Comment 8](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Fri, Feb 5, 2021, 2:59 PM EST

My guess is that `AudioNode::DispatchEvent()` will not fire the dispatched event immediately. In some cases, it will be queued in the event vector, and get fired later. In that case, the `MutexLocker` and its scope do not work anymore.

[Comment 9](#) by ahuff...@microsoft.com on Sat, Feb 6, 2021, 2:13 AM EST Project Member

Correct me if I am wrong, but it appears simpler than that to me.

https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:third_party/blink/renderer/modules/webaudio/script_processor_node.cc;drc=2ac64302ae161cd6b5e4b1254497bdf5fd6d3415;bpv=1;bp=162

I believe the `shared_input_buffer` and `shared_output_buffer` have the same backing stores as the `input_buffers_` and `output_buffers_`.

https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:third_party/blink/renderer/modules/webaudio/audio_buffer.cc;cc|=319;drc=2ac64302ae161cd6b5e4b1254497bdf5fd6d3415;bpv=1;bp=1

So this audio thread is copying into the buffer that the main thread has access to.

[Comment 10](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Tue, Feb 9, 2021, 12:23 PM EST

Cc: rtoy@chromium.org

Labels: -OS-OS

[Comment 11](#) by [bugdroid](#) on Tue, Feb 9, 2021, 12:41 PM EST

The following revision refers to this bug:

<https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src/+60987aa224f369fc0ea38c56e498389440921356>

commit [60987aa224f369fc0ea38c56e498389440921356](#)

Author: Hongchan Choi <hongchan@chromium.org>

Date: Tue Feb 09 17:40:12 2021

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~~[Bug=1474589](#)~~

Test: The repro case doesn't crash on ASAN.

Change-Id: [I2b292f94be65e6ec26c6eb0e0ed32b3fb2d88466](#)

Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2681193>

Commit-Queue: Hongchan Choi <hongchan@chromium.org>

Reviewed-by: Raymond Toy <rtoy@chromium.org>

Cr-Commit-Position: refs/heads/master@{#852240}

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[Comment 12](#) Deleted

[Comment 13](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Tue, Feb 9, 2021, 3:28 PM EST

To fix the POC [#c12](#), we can pass a new buffer for every audio processing event. That will impact the performance of `ScriptProcessorNode` significantly.

ahuffman@ Do you have other thoughts/suggestion?

[Comment 14](#) by ahuff...@microsoft.com on Tue, Feb 9, 2021, 4:00 PM EST Project Member

The way that I know to exploit this relies on the buffer being marked non-shared. I don't think the issue would exist if that weren't the case as APIs consuming the buffer would typically make a copy. Are the ramifications for just marking the `inputBuffer` as a shared buffer? Could be other subtle issues that I am not considering?

Looking at the standard it (<https://www.w3.org/TR/webaudio/#AudioProcessingEvent-attributes>) it says:

`inputBuffer`, of type `AudioBuffer`, readonly

An `AudioBuffer` containing the input audio data. It will have a number of channels equal to the `numberOfInputChannels` parameter of the `createScriptProcessor()` method. This `AudioBuffer` is only valid while in the scope of the `onaudioprocess` function. Its values will be meaningless outside of this scope.

[Comment 15](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Tue, Feb 9, 2021, 4:18 PM EST

> Are the ramifications for just marking the `inputBuffer` as a shared buffer?

I believe marking a buffer as shared or non-shared is only possible when the other thread is a proper Worker thread. (I am assuming you're referring to APIs like `SharedArrayBuffer` or `ArrayBuffer`). The Web Audio rendering thread is not exposed to the web platform by design, so the generic shared memory scheme in the web platform doesn't work for this case. It's unfortunate, but this is how `ScriptProcessorNode` works and that's why it is deprecated from the spec.

> This AudioBuffer is only valid while in the scope of the onaudioprocess function. Its values will be meaningless outside of this scope.

The buffer object is not "invalidated" outside of onaudioprocess function. It only says values in it are meaningless, but still accessible. So the spec text isn't wrong...

[Comment 16](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Wed, Feb 10, 2021, 3:02 PM EST

Cc: mlippautz@chromium.org haraken@chromium.org

mlippautz@ and haraken@:

https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:third_party/blink/renderer/modules/webaudio/script_processor_node.h;l=102

SharedAudioBuffer was created to allow both threads (main, web audio render) to access the buffer contents. Based on the current design, I don't think it's possible to limit the access from the main thread while the render thread is touching it.

My conclusion so far is to create new buffers per onaudioprocess call, but this has a significant audio performance implication. (GC and malloc) Based on the metric, this change will impact some popular audio apps even though the feature is officially deprecated from the spec years ago.

Could you share your opinion on this issue?

[Comment 17](#) by haraken@google.com on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 12:05 AM EST

In general, shared memory programming is fragile. If you can create new buffers per onaudioprocess call and let the main thread and the render thread access different buffers, that's the best from the architecture perspective.

If the feature is deprecated, how much do we need to worry about the performance impact? We should probably encourage the website to stop using it...?

[Comment 18](#) by mlippautz@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 3:12 AM EST

I remember introducing the SharedAudioBuffer to clean up roots and avoid even broader concurrency access and roots that could lead to cycles.

+1 to haraken's comment if we can get away with performance. I have no other suggestion as I remember there was also an issue where the spec mandated using non-shared buffers for the actual data which should rule out any sane design around shared memory.

[Comment 19](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 11:11 AM EST

Thanks for your responses.

rtoy@

Per comments above, creating new buffers per every AudioProcessingEvent is the only sane way to resolve this. I still have to flesh out the details for corner cases, but this will be a breaking change for some apps.

[Comment 20](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 11:12 AM EST

Cc: adetaylor@chromium.org

adtaylor@

For easier tracking, I suggest we merge the change [#c11](#) first, and then open a new issue to track the new change because it might take longer than change a few lines of code. What do you think?

[Comment 21](#) by adetaylor@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 3:33 PM EST

That sounds good. Please could you cc ahuffman@microsoft.com on the new issue and add the label reward_to-ahuffman_at_microsoft.com such that the reporter gets properly credited when the new issue is eventually fixed.

[Comment 22](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 3:45 PM EST

Now the remaining issue is tracked in issue 1177465.

[Comment 23](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 3:47 PM EST

Labels: Merge-Request-88

[Comment 24](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 3:47 PM EST

Status: Verified (was: Started)

[Comment 25](#) by gov...@chromium.org on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 8:38 PM EST

Labels: Merge-Request-89

This will also need a merge to M89.

[Comment 26](#) by sheriffbot on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 8:43 PM EST

Labels: -Merge-Request-89 Merge-Review-89 Hotlist-Merge-Review

This bug requires manual review: M89's targeted beta branch promotion date has already passed, so this requires manual review
Before a merge request will be considered, the following information is required to be added to this bug:

1. Does your merge fit within the Merge Decision Guidelines?
- Chrome: https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src.git/+master/docs/process/merge_request.md#when-to-request-a-merge
- Chrome OS: <https://goto.google.com/cros-release-branch-merge-guidelines>
2. Links to the CLs you are requesting to merge.
3. Has the change landed and been verified on ToT?
4. Does this change need to be merged into other active release branches (M-1, M+1)?
5. Why are these changes required in this milestone after branch?
6. Is this a new feature?
7. If it is a new feature, is it behind a flag using finch?

Chrome OS Only:

8. Was the change reviewed and approved by the Eng Prod Representative? See Eng Prod ownership by component: <http://go/cros-engprodcomponents>

Please contact the milestone owner if you have questions.

Owners: benmason@(Android), bindusuvama@(iOS), geohsu@(ChromeOS), pbommana@(Desktop)

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[Comment 27](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Fri, Feb 12, 2021, 11:38 AM EST

1. Yes.
2. <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2681193>
3. Yes.
4. Yes.
5. It's Security_Severity_High.
6. No.
7. N/A

[Comment 28](#) by adetaylor@chromium.org on Fri, Feb 12, 2021, 11:52 AM EST

Labels: -Merge-Review-89 Merge-Approved-89

Approving merge to M89, branch 4389, but please could you wait till after the weekend such that we've got a few days of Canary coverage?

[Comment 29](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Fri, Feb 12, 2021, 11:55 AM EST

Yes. Will do.

[Comment 30](#) by [sheriffbot](#) on Fri, Feb 12, 2021, 1:56 PM EST

Labels: -Restrict-View-SecurityTeam Restrict-View-SecurityNotify

[Comment 31](#) by [sheriffbot](#) on Mon, Feb 15, 2021, 12:14 PM EST

Cc: gov...@chromium.org

This issue has been approved for a merge. Please merge the fix to any appropriate branches as soon as possible!

If all merges have been completed, please remove any remaining Merge-Approved labels from this issue.

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[Comment 32](#) by [bugdroid](#) on Tue, Feb 16, 2021, 1:42 PM EST

Labels: -merge-approved-89 merge-merged-89 merge-merged-4389

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commit 53eedb3282b894c16e5b8f5e54df3f294045b3ed

Author: Hongchan Choi <hongchan@chromium.org>

Date: Tue Feb 16 18:42:36 2021

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[Bug-1174582](#)

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Commit-Queue: Hongchan Choi <hongchan@chromium.org>

Reviewed-by: Raymond Toy <rtoy@chromium.org>

Cr-Original-Commit-Position: refs/heads/master@{#852240}

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Reviewed-by: Hongchan Choi <hongchan@chromium.org>

Cr-Commit-Position: refs/branch-heads/4389@{#1095}

Cr-Branched-From: 9251c5db2b6d5a59fe4eac7aafa5fed37c139bb7-refs/heads/master@{#843830}

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[Comment 33](#) by adetaylor@google.com on Tue, Feb 23, 2021, 4:00 PM EST

Issue 1181341 has been merged into this issue.

[Comment 34](#) by adetaylor@google.com on Tue, Feb 23, 2021, 4:02 PM EST

Labels: -Merge-Request-88 Merge-Approved-88

Approving merge to M88, branch 4324, due to information in issue 1181341.

[Comment 35](#) by hongchan@chromium.org on Tue, Feb 23, 2021, 4:16 PM EST

ahuffman@ - I moved your comment above to issue 1177465.

[Comment 36](#) by [ClusterFuzz](#) on Tue, Feb 23, 2021, 4:16 PM EST

ClusterFuzz is analyzing your testcase. Developers can follow the progress at <https://clusterfuzz.com/testcase?key=5137335457742848>.

[Comment 37](#) by adetaylor@google.com on Tue, Feb 23, 2021, 5:29 PM EST

Cc: nmehta@google.com

[Comment 38](#) by [bugdroid](#) on Tue, Feb 23, 2021, 6:28 PM EST

Labels: -merge-approved-88 merge-merged-4324 merge-merged-88

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Author: Hongchan Choi <hongchan@chromium.org>

Date: Tue Feb 23 23:27:31 2021

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Reviewed-by: Srinivas Sista <[srnivassista@chromium.org](mailto:srinivassista@chromium.org)>
Cr-Commit-Position: refs/branch-heads/4324@{#2238}
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Comment 39 by adetaylor@google.com on Fri, Feb 26, 2021, 12:50 PM EST
Labels: Release-0-M89

Comment 40 by asumaneev@google.com on Mon, Mar 1, 2021, 2:25 PM EST
Labels: LTS-Security-86 LTS-Merge-Request-86

Comment 41 by adetaylor@google.com on Mon, Mar 1, 2021, 7:27 PM EST
Labels: CVE-2021-21165 CVE_description-missing

Comment 42 by gianluca@google.com on Tue, Mar 2, 2021, 9:03 AM EST
Labels: LTS-Merge-Approved-86

Comment 43 by asumaneev@google.com on Tue, Mar 2, 2021, 9:06 AM EST
Labels: -LTS-Merge-Request-86

Comment 44 by bugdroid on Tue, Mar 2, 2021, 10:17 AM EST
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Comment 45 by asumaneev@google.com on Tue, Mar 2, 2021, 10:20 AM EST
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Comment 46 by amyressler@google.com on Tue, Mar 9, 2021, 12:58 PM EST
Labels: -CVE_description-missing CVE_description-submitted

Comment 47 by adetaylor@google.com on Mon, Mar 22, 2021, 4:23 PM EDT
auffman@ - the immediate fix for this caused some performance issues, which Hongchan is resolving in [issue-1197046](https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+issue-1197046) by subdividing the mutex. I wondered if you wanted to cast an adversarial eye over that fix to spot any security concerns. That'd be very much appreciated. Please do bear in mind that [issue-1197046](https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+issue-1197046) is public.

Comment 48 by sheriffbot on Fri, May 21, 2021, 1:50 PM EDT
Labels: -Restrict-View-SecurityNotify allpublic

This bug has been closed for more than 14 weeks. Removing security view restrictions.

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