olmax99 / helm-flask-celery (Public template) <> Code Issues **11** Pull requests Actions Projects Security ✓ Insights Merge pull request #2 from porcupineyhairs/FixPathInjection **Browse files** Fix Path Traversal Vulnerability **P** master (#2) olmax99 committed on May 25 2 parents 0e8a6bd + d49c43a commit 28c985d712d7ac26893433e8035e2e3678fcae9f Showing 2 changed files with 44 additions and 2 deletions. Split Unified √ 42 ■■■■ .commiter.template.md 「□ @@ -0,0 +1,42 @@. . . 1 + # Absolute Path Traversal due to incorrect use of `send\_file` call 2 3 + A path traversal attack (also known as directory traversal) aims to access files and directories that are stored outside the web root folder. By manipulating variables that reference files with "dot-dot-slash (../)" sequences and its variations or by using absolute file paths, it may be possible to access arbitrary files and directories stored on file system including application source code or configuration and critical system files. This attack is also known as "dot-dot-slash", "directory traversal", "directory climbing" and "backtracking". 4 5 + ## Root Cause Analysis 6 7 + The `os.path.join` call is unsafe for use with untrusted input. When the `os.path.join` call encounters an absolute path, it ignores all the parameters it has encountered till that point and starts working with the new absolute path. Please see the example below. 9 10 + >>> import os.path 11 + >>> static = "path/to/mySafeStaticDir" 12 + >>> malicious = "/../../etc/passwd" + >>> os.path.join(t,malicious) 13 + '/../../etc/passwd' 14 15 + Since the "malicious" parameter represents an absolute path, the result of `os.path.join` 16 ignores the static directory completely. Hence, untrusted input is passed via the `os.path.join` call to `flask.send\_file` can lead to path traversal attacks. 17

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    + In this case, the problems occurs due to the following code :
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    + https://github.com/olmax99/helm-flask-
       celery/blob/0e8a6bdc4fa5b35fbdda18b27c8e768df8a9bb3c/webapiservice/flaskapi/core/app_setup
       .py#L83
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    + Here, the `path` parameter is attacker controlled. This parameter passes through the
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       unsafe `os.path.join` call making the effective directory and filename passed to the
       `send file` call attacker controlled. This leads to a path traversal attack.
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    + ## Proof of Concept
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    + The bug can be verified using a proof of concept similar to the one shown below.
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    + curl --path-as-is 'http://<domain>///../../etc/passwd"'
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     + ## Remediation
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    + This can be fixed by preventing flow of untrusted data to the vulnerable `send_file`
       function. In case the application logic necessiates this behaviour, one can either use the
       `flask.safe_join` to join untrusted paths or replace `flask.send_file` calls with
       `flask.send_from_directory` calls.
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    + ## References
    + * [OWASP Path Traversal](https://owasp.org/www-community/attacks/Path_Traversal)
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    + * github/securitylab#669
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    + ### This bug was found using *[CodeQL by Github](https://codeqL.github.com/)*
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               import socket
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               from flask import current_app, make_response, request
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             - from flask import send_file, render_template
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             + from flask import send_file, render_template, safe_join
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               from .redis_config import DecodedRedis
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               from .redis_conn import FlaskRedis
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               def route_frontend(path):
                   # ...could be a static file needed by the front end that
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                   # doesn't use the `static` path (like in `<script src="bundle.js">`)
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                   file_path = os.path.join(current_app.template_folder, path)
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                   file_path = safe_join(current_app.template_folder, path)
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83	83	<pre>return send_file(file_path)</pre>
84	84	#or should be handled by the SPA's "router" in front end

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