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#### Issue 714617: Security: chrome.tabs.executeScript can reveal Chrome's profile path

Reported by [ngy...@gmail.com](#) on Mon, Apr 24, 2017, 10:00 AM EDT

 Code

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#### VULNERABILITY DETAILS

##### VERSION

Chrome Version: 58.0.3029.81 stable, 60.0.3079.0 canary  
Operating System: Windows 7 SP1, also reproducible on macOS 10.12.4

##### REPRODUCTION CASE

1. Install the attached extension
2. Go to <http://example.com>
3. Read the error message

Expected result:

The JavaScript error stack should only show 'executed.js' or something like 'chrome-extension://dogncidbhigdogloimjmnldcfogpmin/executed.js'

Actual result:

The JavaScript error stack is revealing Chrome's profile path, which most likely contains the OS username too

...

Error

at file:///C:/Users/ngyikp/AppData/Local/Google/Chrome/User%20Data/Default/Extensions/dogncidbhigdogloimjmnldcfogpmin/1.0\_0/executed.js:2:8

...

Source code:

content.js:

...

chrome.runtime.sendMessage("", function() {});

...

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background.js:
...

chrome.runtime.onMessage.addListener(function(message, sender, callback) {
  chrome.tabs.executeScript(sender.tab.id, {file: 'executed.js'});
});
...

executed.js:
...

try {
  throw new Error();
} catch (ex) {
  alert(ex.stack);
}
...

manifest.json:
...
{
  "name": "executeScript",
  "version": "1.0",

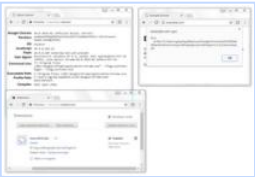
  "background": {
    "scripts": ["background.js"],
    "persistent": false
  },
  "manifest_version": 2,

  "permissions": [
    "http://example.com/*",
    "https://example.com/*",
    "http://www.example.com/*",
    "https://www.example.com/*"
  ],
  "content_scripts": [
    {
      "include_globs": [
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        "http://www.example.com/*",
        "https://www.example.com/*"
      ],
      "js": ["content.js"],
      "matches": [
        "http://example.com/*",
        "https://example.com/*",
        "http://www.example.com/*",
        "https://www.example.com/*"
      ],
    },
    {
      "run_at": "document_start"
    }
  ]
}
...
```

This bug is introduced since Chrome 32, Chrome 31 is OK

This commit seems suspect: <https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src/+a7074d1c5c07670813eefdbf286c23416e528123%5E%21/>

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[Comment 1](#) by [ngy...@gmail.com](#) on Mon, Apr 24, 2017, 10:01 AM EDT  
Opps, forgot to attach extension

**executescript.crx**  
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[Comment 2](#) by [elawrence@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Apr 24, 2017, 11:34 AM EDT  
**Cc:** fsam...@chromium.org  
**Components:** Platform>Extensions>API  
Thanks for the sleuthing!

[Comment 3](#) by [mea...@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Apr 24, 2017, 2:01 PM EDT  
**Status:** Assigned (was: Unconfirmed)  
**Owner:** fsam...@chromium.org  
**Cc:** -fsam...@chromium.org  
**Labels:** Security\_Severity-Low Security\_Impact-Stable OS-Chrome OS-Linux OS-Mac OS-Windows

Agreed, thanks for the detailed description and the investigation!

According to the severity guidelines, this would normally qualify as a medium severity, but since we consider extension installation a mitigating factor the severity is downgraded to low.

Comment 4 by [sheriffbot@chromium.org](#) on Tue, Apr 25, 2017, 9:02 AM EDT

Labels: Pri-2

Comment 5 Deleted

Comment 6 by [mbarb...@chromium.org](#) on Wed, Feb 14, 2018, 5:20 PM EST

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Devlin, would you mind taking a look? Reassigning since this seems stale.

Comment 7 by [mmoroz@chromium.org](#) on Tue, Apr 30, 2019, 1:52 AM EDT

Labels: M-76

Comment 8 by [rdevl...@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Aug 26, 2019, 1:11 PM EDT

Owner: [karandeepb@chromium.org](#)

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Revisiting old bugs.

Karan, do you think you can take a look at this? The best solution seems like it would be to surface the extension-relative url (i.e., chrome-extension://<id>/script.js).

Comment 9 by [sheriffbot@chromium.org](#) on Wed, Sep 11, 2019, 9:07 AM EDT

Labels: -M-76 M-77 Target-77

Comment 10 by [sheriffbot@chromium.org](#) on Wed, Oct 23, 2019, 9:17 AM EDT

Labels: -M-77 Target-78 M-78

Comment 11 by [sheriffbot@chromium.org](#) on Wed, Dec 11, 2019, 9:18 AM EST

Labels: -M-78 Target-79 M-79

Comment 12 by [rdevl...@chromium.org](#) on Wed, Dec 11, 2019, 6:20 PM EST

Owner: [rdevl...@chromium.org](#)

I'll take this one back; I have a patch that should work.

Comment 13 by [bugdroid](#) on Fri, Dec 20, 2019, 12:59 PM EST

The following revision refers to this bug:

<https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src.git+/d52ea54eab4fddedfe640c0838199548c1717b55ed>

commit [d52ea54eab4fddedfe640c0838199548c1717b55ed](#)

Author: Devlin Cronin <[rdevlin.cronin@chromium.org](mailto:rdevlin.cronin@chromium.org)>

Date: Fri Dec 20 17:59:02 2019

[Extensions] Set tabs.executeScript() URLs to chrome-extension: scheme

Set the script URL for scripts executed via chrome.tabs.executeScript()

to use the chrome-extension: scheme, e.g.

chrome-extension://<id>/<path-to-script>, rather than the file URL.

This prevents referencing the filesystem in the URL, and is consistent

with content scripts that are statically specified in the manifest.

Add a regression test (that also tests the statically-defined content

script behavior). This entailed adding a new test utility,

WebContentsConsoleObserver, to track the messages sent to the console

for a given WebContents. This can replace ConsoleObserverDelegate in

the future.

~~Bug=744617~~

Change-Id: [I3de400e6dccf9f9a662824b4810bd52245cd4d62](#)

Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+/1962676>

Reviewed-by: Alex Moshchuk <[alexmos@chromium.org](mailto:alexmos@chromium.org)>

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Commit-Queue: Devlin <[rdevlin.cronin@chromium.org](mailto:rdevlin.cronin@chromium.org)>

Cr-Commit-Position: refs/heads/master@{#726842}

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Comment 14 by [rdevl...@chromium.org](#) on Fri, Dec 20, 2019, 5:57 PM EST

Status: Fixed (was: Assigned)

This should be fixed with #13.

Given the low impact and duration this has been around, I don't think this is something we need to merge.

Comment 15 by [sheriffbot@chromium.org](#) on Sat, Dec 21, 2019, 10:44 AM EST

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

Comment 16 by [natashapabrai@google.com](#) on Mon, Jan 6, 2020, 12:57 PM EST

Labels: reward-topanel

Comment 17 by [natashapabrai@google.com](#) on Thu, Jan 9, 2020, 11:51 AM EST

Labels: -reward-topanel reward-unpaid reward-500

\*\*\* Boilerplate reminders! \*\*\*

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Please contact [security-vrp@chromium.org](mailto:security-vrp@chromium.org) with any questions.

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Comment 18 by [natashapabrai@google.com](mailto:natashapabrai@google.com) on Thu, Jan 9, 2020, 11:59 AM EST  
Congrats! The Panel decided to reward \$500 for this report!

Comment 19 by [natashapabrai@google.com](mailto:natashapabrai@google.com) on Thu, Jan 9, 2020, 12:21 PM EST  
**Labels:** -reward-unpaid reward-inprocess

Comment 20 by [adetaylor@google.com](mailto:adetaylor@google.com) on Mon, Mar 9, 2020, 2:19 PM EDT  
[ngyikp@gmail.com](mailto:ngyikp@gmail.com) - when this appears in the Chrome release notes, how would you like to be credited?

Comment 21 by [ngy...@gmail.com](mailto:ngy...@gmail.com) on Mon, Mar 9, 2020, 2:27 PM EDT  
You can use my full name: Ng Yik Phang

Comment 22 by [adetaylor@google.com](mailto:adetaylor@google.com) on Fri, Mar 13, 2020, 1:44 PM EDT  
**Labels:** Release-0-M81

Comment 23 by [adetaylor@chromium.org](mailto:adetaylor@chromium.org) on Fri, Mar 13, 2020, 2:31 PM EDT  
**Labels:** CVE-2020-6438 CVE\_description-missing

Comment 24 by [sheriffbot](#) on Sat, Mar 28, 2020, 1:49 PM EDT  
**Labels:** -Restrict-View-SecurityNotify allpublic  
This bug has been closed for more than 14 weeks. Removing security view restrictions.

For more details visit <https://www.chromium.org/issue-tracking/autotriage> - Your friendly Sheriffbot

Comment 25 by [adetaylor@chromium.org](mailto:adetaylor@chromium.org) on Tue, Apr 14, 2020, 3:14 PM EDT  
**Labels:** -CVE\_description-missing CVE\_description-submitted