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**Status:** Fixed (Closed)

**Components:** [Blink>DataTransfer](#)  
[UI>Browser>Downloads](#)

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## Issue 1172192: Security: UAF in Drag and Drop Download

Reported by [rapid...@gmail.com](#) on Fri, Jan 29, 2021, 6:01 AM EST

Code

### VULNERABILITY DETAILS

in Window, the chrome can "drag and drop download" [0]  
it is asynchronously executed on UI thread [1][2]. the DragDownloadFile object have raw DragDownloadFileUI pointer.  
it is safe because DragDownloadFileUI is deleted on UI thread using PostTask[3].  
but DragDownloadFileUI have raw WebContents pointer.[4]. it can be freed before executing "drag and drop download"[2].  
and WebContents pointer is used on it [5]. so can trigger UAF

[0]:  
[https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/web\\_contents/web\\_contents\\_view\\_aura.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=244](https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/web_contents/web_contents_view_aura.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=244)  
[1]:  
[https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:ui/base/dragdrop/os\\_exchange\\_data\\_provider\\_win.cc;dr=6f2046bedac15dc31e1cdf9a5e4a5eadd46231aej=928](https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:ui/base/dragdrop/os_exchange_data_provider_win.cc;dr=6f2046bedac15dc31e1cdf9a5e4a5eadd46231aej=928)  
[2]:  
[https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/download/drag\\_download\\_file.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=216](https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/download/drag_download_file.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=216)  
[3]:  
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[4]:  
[https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/download/drag\\_download\\_file.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=168](https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/download/drag_download_file.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=168)  
[5]:  
[https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/download/drag\\_download\\_file.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=82](https://source.chromium.org/chromium/chromium/src/+master:content/browser/download/drag_download_file.cc;dr=6cdb24a4ce9d4151035c1f133833137d2e2881d1j=82)

### VERSION

Chrome Version: latest chrome  
Operating System: only Window

### REPRODUCTION CASE

apply patch.diff to simulate a compromised renderer  
navigate index.html and touch page

once touch the page, your cursor is changed to drag the cursor.  
and drop to the desktop using right-click.(slowly click to move/copy here) it will be crashed

plz see video

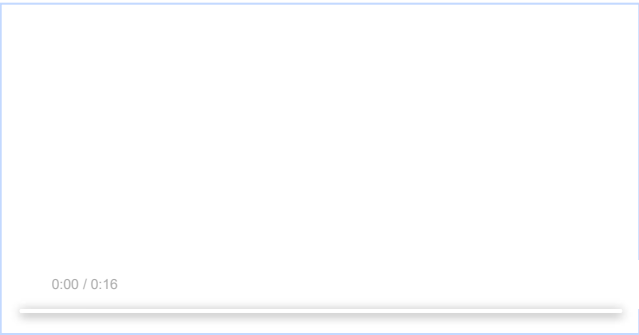
### CREDIT INFORMATION

Reporter credit: Woojin Oh of STEALIEN(@pwn\_exploit)

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18.9 KB [View](#) [Download](#)

[bandicam 2021-01-29 19-56-47-218.mp4](#)

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**index.html**  
91 bytes [View](#) [Download](#)

**Comment 1** by [sheriffbot](#) on Fri, Jan 29, 2021, 6:03 AM EST Project Member

**Labels:** external\_security\_report

**Comment 2** by [rsleeve@chromium.org](#) on Fri, Jan 29, 2021, 3:55 PM EST Project Member

**Cc:** [dtrainor@chromium.org](#) [qin...@chromium.org](#)

**Labels:** Security\_Severity-High

**Components:** UI>Browser>Downloads Blink>DataTransfer

Thanks for the report and detailed analysis! Adding some labels while I work to reproduce. CC'ing a few folks though, since you're right that a raw WebContents\* does raise some eyebrows.

**Comment 3** by [qin...@chromium.org](#) on Fri, Jan 29, 2021, 4:47 PM EST Project Member

Thanks for reporting this. Looks like the easiest fix is to pass a RenderViewHost Id to DragDownloadFileUI, and use it to retrieve the WebContents if needed.

**Comment 4** by [rsleeve@chromium.org](#) on Fri, Jan 29, 2021, 7:21 PM EST Project Member

**Status:** Assigned (was: Unconfirmed)

**Owner:** [qin...@chromium.org](#)

**Labels:** OS-Windows

**Comment 5** by [sheriffbot](#) on Sat, Jan 30, 2021, 1:27 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -Pri-3 Pri-1

Setting Pri-1 to match security severity High. If this is incorrect, please reset the priority. Sheriffbot won't make this change again.

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**Comment 6** by [rsleeve@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Feb 1, 2021, 3:22 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** Security\_Impact-Stable

qinmin: I'm having some trouble with the bisect, but on source inspection, as far as I can tell, this pattern goes to at least Stable. If I've misdiagnosed, feel free to shout at me (especially if/when sheriffbot gets shouty).

**Comment 7** by [sheriffbot](#) on Tue, Feb 2, 2021, 12:51 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** Target-88 M-88

Setting milestone and target because of Security\_Impact=Stable and high severity.

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**Comment 8** by [bugdroid](#) on Tue, Feb 2, 2021, 2:09 PM EST Project Member

The following revision refers to this bug:

<https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src/+99dc876a13df19f3512bcfb97e794ab5d1b28905>

commit [99dc876a13df19f3512bcfb97e794ab5d1b28905](#)

Author: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](#)>

Date: Tue Feb 02 19:06:51 2021

Stop using raw WebContents ptr in DragDownloadFile

~~[BUG-4473403](#)~~

Change-Id: [Ie029713553f88c1e271db1c84396e1ddda19286](#)

Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2666189>

Reviewed-by: Xing Liu <[xingliu@chromium.org](#)>

Commit-Queue: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](#)>

Cr-Commit-Position: refs/heads/master@{#849692}

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**Comment 9** by [qin...@chromium.org](#) on Tue, Feb 2, 2021, 3:20 PM EST Project Member

**Status:** Fixed (was: Assigned)

**Comment 10** by [sheriffbot](#) on Wed, Feb 3, 2021, 12:44 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** reward-topanel

**Comment 11** by [sheriffbot](#) on Wed, Feb 3, 2021, 1:59 PM EST Project Member

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

**Comment 12** by [bugdroid](#) on Wed, Feb 3, 2021, 2:17 PM EST Project Member

The following revision refers to this bug:

<https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src/+3eda2771096d422aa90adfe8297f470df797bd5e>

commit [3eda2771096d422aa90adfe8297f470df797bd5e](#)

Author: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](#)>

Date: Wed Feb 03 19:14:01 2021

Add a method to disable download from starting a foreground service if activities are invisible

This CL adds a method in AppHooks to make us not start a new foreground service if Chrome activities are not visible. If a foreground service is already started, the new notification updates will still use the existing foreground service to change notification IDs if necessary.

[BUG=4472402](#)

Change-Id: I9d9ee74ed3e84597850ccb935c01851968dbab10  
Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2667777>  
Reviewed-by: David Trainor <[dtrainor@chromium.org](mailto:dtrainor@chromium.org)>  
Commit-Queue: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](mailto:qinmin@chromium.org)>  
Cr-Commit-Position: refs/heads/master@{#850218}

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<https://crrev.com/3eda2771096d422aa90adfe8297f470df797bd5e/chrome/android/java/src/org/chromium/chrome/browser/download/DownloadNotificationService.java>

**Comment 13** by [sheriffbot](#) on Wed, Feb 3, 2021, 2:19 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** Merge-Request-89 Merge-Request-88

Requesting merge to stable M88 because latest trunk commit (850218) appears to be after stable branch point (827102).

Requesting merge to beta M89 because latest trunk commit (850218) appears to be after beta branch point (843830).

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**Comment 14** by [qin...@chromium.org](#) on Wed, Feb 3, 2021, 2:25 PM EST Project Member

The 2nd CL has a wrong bug number, should be only the first CL.

**Comment 15** by [sheriffbot](#) on Thu, Feb 4, 2021, 2:21 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -Merge-Request-89 Merge-Review-89 Hotlist-Merge-Review

This bug requires manual review: M89's targeted beta branch promotion date has already passed, so this requires manual review. Before a merge request will be considered, the following information is required to be added to this bug:

1. Does your merge fit within the Merge Decision Guidelines?  
- Chrome: [https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src.git/+master/docs/process/merge\\_request.md#when-to-request-a-merge](https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src.git/+master/docs/process/merge_request.md#when-to-request-a-merge)  
- Chrome OS: <https://goto.google.com/cros-release-branch-merge-guidelines>
2. Links to the CLs you are requesting to merge.
3. Has the change landed and been verified on ToT?
4. Does this change need to be merged into other active release branches (M-1, M+1)?
5. Why are these changes required in this milestone after branch?
6. Is this a new feature?
7. If it is a new feature, is it behind a flag using finch?

Chrome OS Only:

8. Was the change reviewed and approved by the Eng Prod Representative? See Eng Prod ownership by component: <http://go/cros-engprodcomponents>

Please contact the milestone owner if you have questions.

Owners: benmason@ (Android), bindusuvama@ (iOS), geohsu@ (ChromeOS), pbommana@ (Desktop)

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**Comment 16** by [pbommana@google.com](#) on Mon, Feb 8, 2021, 12:30 AM EST Project Member

qinmin@ request to provide answers to questions from [comment#15](#)

**Comment 17** by [qin...@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Feb 8, 2021, 12:51 AM EST Project Member

1. yes
2. <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2666189>
3. yes
4. Yes for M89
5. Fix a UAF security issue
6. No

**Comment 18** by [adetaylor@google.com](#) on Mon, Feb 8, 2021, 7:33 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -Merge-Review-89 Merge-Approved-89

Approving merge to M89, branch 4389.

**Comment 19** by [bugdroid](#) on Tue, Feb 9, 2021, 5:05 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -merge-approved-89 merge-merged-89 merge-merged-4389

The following revision refers to this bug:

<https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src/+1ebd5af895d8231ff103b672f9c9e8d60ee62d68>

commit [1ebd5af895d8231ff103b672f9c9e8d60ee62d68](#)

Author: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](mailto:qinmin@chromium.org)>

Date: Tue Feb 09 22:05:21 2021

Stop using raw WebContents ptr in DragDownloadFile

[BUG=4472402](#)

(cherry picked from commit [99dc876a13df19f3512bcfb97e794ab5d1b28905](#))

Change-Id: Ie029713553f88c1e271db1c84396e1ddda19286  
Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2666189>  
Reviewed-by: Xing Liu <[xingliu@chromium.org](mailto:xingliu@chromium.org)>  
Commit-Queue: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](mailto:qinmin@chromium.org)>  
Cr-Original-Commit-Position: refs/heads/master@{#849692}  
Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2683515>  
Cr-Commit-Position: refs/branch-heads/4389@{#868}  
Cr-Branched-From: [9251c5db2b6d5a59fe4eac7aafa5fed37c139bb7](#)-refs/heads/master@{#843830}

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**Comment 20** by [amyressler@google.com](#) on Wed, Feb 10, 2021, 1:59 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -reward-topanel reward-unpaid reward-20000

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

Please do NOT publicly disclose details until a fix has been released to all our users. Early public disclosure may cancel the provisional reward. Also, please be considerate about disclosure when the bug affects a core library that may be used by other products. Please do NOT share this information with third parties who are not directly involved in fixing the bug. Doing so may cancel the provisional reward. Please be honest if you have already disclosed anything publicly or to third parties. Lastly, we understand that some of you are not interested in money. We offer the option to donate your reward to an eligible charity. If you prefer this option, let us know and we will also match your donation - subject to our discretion. Any rewards that are unclaimed after 12 months will be donated to a charity of our choosing.

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

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**Comment 21** by [adetaylor@chromium.org](#) on Wed, Feb 10, 2021, 4:24 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -Merge-Request-88 Merge-Approved-88

Approving merge to M88, branch 4324. Please merge by the end of Thursday PST to get into next Tuesday's release.

**Comment 22** by [amyressler@google.com](#) on Wed, Feb 10, 2021, 5:55 PM EST Project Member

Congratulations, Woojin Oh! The VRP Panel has decided to award you \$20,000 for this report. Excellent work and thank you for your efforts!

**Comment 23** by [amyressler@google.com](#) on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 3:59 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -reward-unpaid reward-inprocess

**Comment 24** by [srinivassista@google.com](#) on Thu, Feb 11, 2021, 4:22 PM EST Project Member

Please help complete the merge before friday (Feb 12) - 12pm PST,

**Comment 25** by [bugdroid](#) on Fri, Feb 12, 2021, 5:45 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -merge-approved-88 merge-merged-4324 merge-merged-88

The following revision refers to this bug:

<https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromium/src/+3a6f6bfd8fa87c10a255c56501446bec1ccc3dc>

commit [3a6f6bfd8fa87c10a255c56501446bec1ccc3dc](#)

Author: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](mailto:qinmin@chromium.org)>

Date: Fri Feb 12 22:45:08 2021

Stop using raw WebContents ptr in DragDownloadFile

**BUG=1172103**

(cherry picked from commit [99dc876a13df19f3512bcbf97e794ab5d1b28905](#))

Change-Id: [Ie029713553ff88c1e271db1c84396e1ddda19286](#)

Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2666189>

Reviewed-by: Xing Liu <[xingliu@chromium.org](mailto:xingliu@chromium.org)>

Commit-Queue: Min Qin <[qinmin@chromium.org](mailto:qinmin@chromium.org)>

Cr-Original-Commit-Position: refs/heads/master@{#849692}

Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/chromium/src/+2692927>

Reviewed-by: Shakti Sahu <[shaktisahu@chromium.org](mailto:shaktisahu@chromium.org)>

Cr-Commit-Position: refs/branch-heads/4324@{#2200}

Cr-Branched-From: [c73b5a651d37a6c4d0b8e3262cc4015a5579c6c8](#)-refs/heads/master@{#827102}

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**Comment 26** by [adetaylor@google.com](#) on Fri, Feb 12, 2021, 7:35 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** Release-3-M88

**Comment 27** by [achuith@chromium.org](#) on Thu, Feb 18, 2021, 8:40 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** LTS-Security-NotApplicable-86

**Comment 28** by [amyressler@google.com](#) on Mon, Feb 22, 2021, 4:31 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** CVE-2021-21150 CVE\_description-missing

**Comment 29** by [amyressler@google.com](#) on Mon, Feb 22, 2021, 4:33 PM EST Project Member

**Labels:** -CVE\_description-missing CVE\_description-submitted

**Comment 30** by [gov...@chromium.org](#) on Tue, Feb 23, 2021, 4:46 PM EST Project Member

**Cc:** [qinmin@google.com](mailto:qinmin@google.com)

**Comment 31** by [asumaneev@google.com](#) on Thu, Apr 22, 2021, 10:50 AM EDT Project Member

**Labels:** LTS-Security-86

**Comment 32** by [sheriffbot](#) on Wed, May 12, 2021, 1:51 PM EDT Project Member

**Labels:** -Restrict-View-SecurityNotify allpublic

This bug has been closed for more than 14 weeks. Removing security view restrictions.

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**Comment 33** by [amyressler@chromium.org](#) on Wed, May 12, 2021, 2:56 PM EDT Project Member

Hello! We consider attachments/pocs included with reports to be an integral part of the report, so I've un-deleted them. Thanks!