

Vulnerability in Dolphin Browser® Mini for Android

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Abstract

We found that Dolphin Browser® Mini 2.2 has a vulnerability that allows a crafted application to read and modify user's sensitive browser information without permission, including user's bookmarks and downloads in Dolphin Browser® Mini.

1 Application Information

Please see the following link in our AppSec website:

<http://www4.comp.polyu.edu.hk/~appsec/bugs/CVE-2012-1404-vulnerability-in-DolphinBrowserMini.html>

2 Description

Please see the exposed content providers in the AndroidManifest.xml file, which are not properly protected, as shown in follows:

- `<provider android:name=".bookmarks.BookmarkProvider"`
`android:authorities="com.dolphin.browser.bookmarks" />`
- `<provider android:name=".providers.download.DownloadProvider"`
`android:authorities="com.dolphin.browser.downloads" />`

3 Impact

Please see the following snapshots generated by our arrack demo:



4 Solution

Our advice is to set the permission of these application's content providers properly, or avoid exporting these content providers in the AndroidManifest.xml file. Currently, a user could disable the application temporarily and wait for an official update.

5 Technical Description

Please see the following exposed content providers and tables:

Content Provider Authority	Table Name
com.dolphin.browser.downloads	download
com.dolphin.browser.bookmarks	bookmarks
com.dolphin.browser.bookmarks	searches