## 0.0.0.0 Day: Exploiting Localhost APIs From The Browser

0.0.0.0: The Unexpected
Gateway to Your Internal Network

A vulnerability allows attackers to exploit the 0.0.0.0 IP address to access internal resources (such as developer code or internal messages) through your browser.



O2 Bypassing Security (Private Network Access)

Malicious websites can use JavaScript to send requests to 0.0.0.0, tricking browsers into granting access to private APIs and services.

## **Bypassing PNA**

With PNA, "more private domain" are blocked

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Summary

But not when using 0.0.0.0!

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3 Who's Vulnerable?

This vulnerability affects both individuals and organizations, potentially compromising sensitive data and applications.

## Everything HTTP

- Port-Forwarding to http services (developers)
- Operating System services
- Internal Network Access
- VPN access to internal DNS records
- DNS Rebinding

04 **Browser Fixes** 

All major browsers have fixed the vulnerability, both by blocking access to 0.0.0.0 explicitly and also by changing the fetch specification.



Chromium blocked 0.0.0.0



Safari (WebKit) blocked 0.0.0.0



Fetch (Standard) blocks 0.0.0.0

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05 Example Attack Flow

- A The victim runs HTTP service on localhost
- B Victim visits the attacker website
- C Attacker Javascript invokes HTTP POST 0.0.0.0 as target IP & reaches the service

Get / attacker.com

Attacker
Payload

Private LAN

Private Service
Port 8625