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RunC Flaw Lets Attackers Escape Linux Containers to Gain Root on Hosts

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A serious security vulnerability has been discovered in the core runC container code that affects several open-source container management systems, potentially allowing attackers to escape Linux container and obtain unauthorized, root-level access to the host operating system.

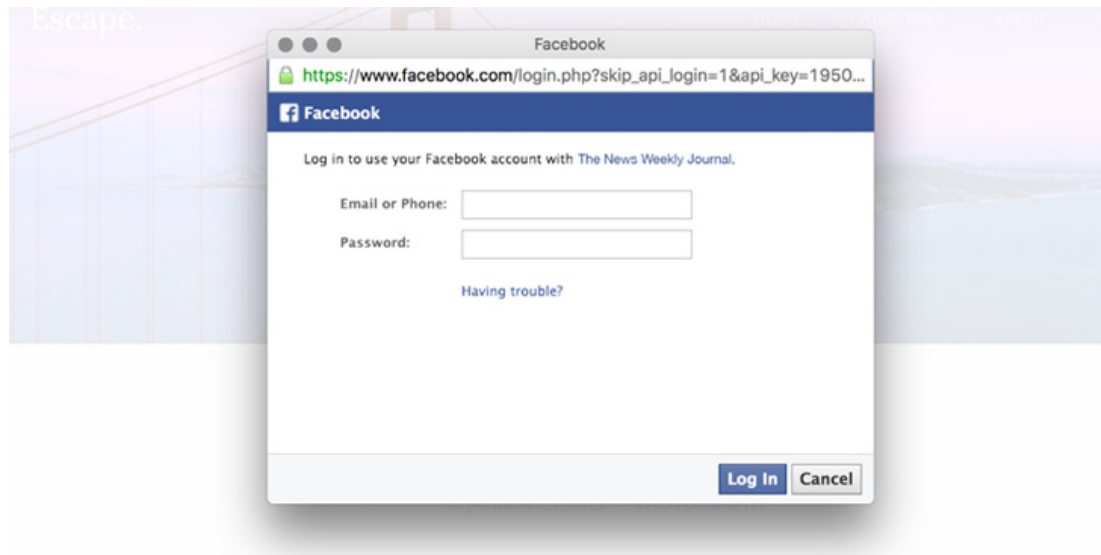
The flaw resides in runC—a lightweight low-level command-line tool for spawning and running containers, an operating-system-level virtualization method for running multiple isolated systems on a host using a single kernel. Originally created by Docker, runC is the default container run-time for Docker, Kubernetes, ContainerD, CRI-O, and other container-dependent programs, and is widely being used by major cloud hosting and server providers.

A specially-crafted malicious container or an attacker having root access to a container could exploit this flaw (with minimal user interaction) to gain administrative privileges on the host machine running the container, eventually compromising the hundreds-to-thousands of other containers running on it. According to Red Hat, the vulnerability can be mitigated if SELinux in targeted enforcing mode is enabled, which is default on RedHat Enterprise Linux, CentOS, and Fedora. The maintainers of runC have published a git commit to resolving the security flaw, but all the projects built atop runC need to incorporate the patches in their products.

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New Phishing Attack That Even Most Vigilant Users Could Fall For



How do you check if a website asking for your credentials is fake or legit to log in? By checking if the URL is correct? By checking if the website address is not a homograph? By checking if the site is using HTTPS? Or using software or browser extensions that detect phishing domains?

Well, if you, like most Internet users, are also relying on above basic security practices to spot if that "Facebook.com" or "Google.com" you have been served with is fake or not, you may still fall victim to a newly discovered creative phishing attack and end up in giving away your passwords to hackers.

Generally, when you click "log in with Facebook" button available on any website, you either get redirected to facebook.com or are served with facebook.com in a new pop-up browser window, asking you to enter your Facebook credentials to authenticate using OAuth and permitting the service to access your profile's necessary information. However, Vincent discovered that the malicious blogs and online services are serving users with a very realistic-looking fake Facebook login prompt after they click the login button which has been designed to capture users' entered credentials, just like any phishing site.

As shown in the video demonstration, the fake pop-up login prompt, actually created with HTML and JavaScript, are perfectly reproduced to look and feel exactly like a legitimate browser window—a status bar, navigation bar, shadows and URL to the Facebook website with green lock pad indicating a valid HTTPS. The only way to protect yourself from this type of phishing attack "is to actually try to drag the prompt away from the window it is currently displayed in. If dragging it out fails (part of the popup disappears beyond the edge of the window), it's a definite sign that the popup is fake."

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