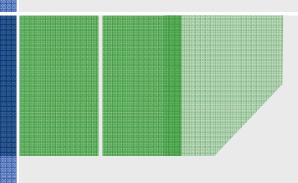


Attacking WCF Web Services



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- Session Objectives
 - ▶ Introduction to WCF
 - ▶ Tools & Techniques for Pen-testing WCF Services

■ Session Outline

- WCF Overview
- ▶ Silverlight WCF Web Services
- ▶ WCF and WS-Security
- Duplex Services



WTF is WCF?

- Core Communications Framework for .NET Applications and Services
 - ▶ Introduced in .NET 3.0, enhanced in .NET 3.5
 - Supports various protocol bindings and message formats
 - ▶ Includes backwards compatible for legacy services

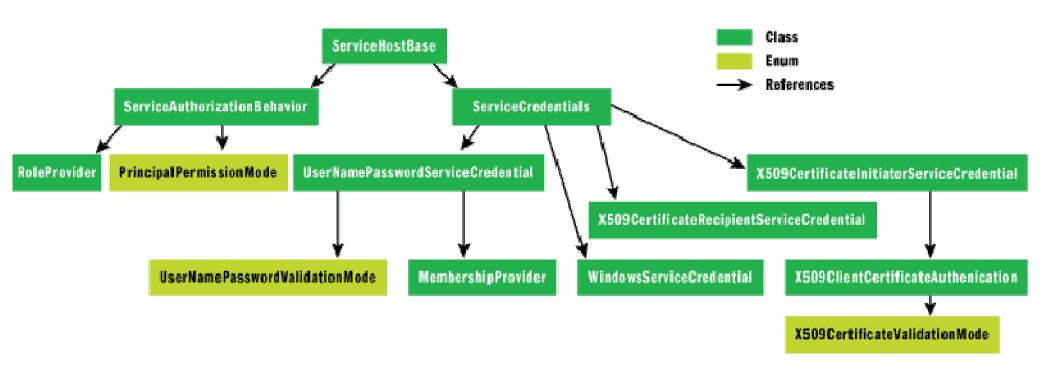


What's new with WCF?

	ASMX	.NET Remoting	Enterprise Services	WSE	System. Messaging	System. Net	WCF
Interoperable Web Services	x						×
Binary .NETNET Communication		x					*
Distributed Transactions, etc.			x				X
Support for WS-* Specifications				x			X
Queued Messaging					x		x
RESTful Communication						x	X



Security Properties of ServiceHostBase



"Security is by far the most intricate area of the WCF"

-- Juval Lowy, Programming WCF Services (O'Reilly)



ABCs of WCF Endpoints

- WCF Services are exposed through **Endpoints**
- Each Endpoint has three required elements, commonly referred to as the A-B-C's
 - ▶ <u>A</u>ddress
 - ▶ Binding
 - ▶ Contract



WCF Addresses

"Where can I find this service?"

- Every WCF Service has a Unique Address
 - ▶ Transport Protocol
 - Location
 - ▶ Often use .svc file extension when hosted in IIS

[transport]://[machine or domain][:optional port]/[optional uri]



WCF Bindings

"What protocol can I use to talk to this service?"

- Bindings specify how a service communicates
 - ▶ Transport Protocol
 - Encoding (Message Format)
- Several out-of-the-box bindings, or can be customized



WCF Bindings

- **■** WCF Transport Protocols
 - ▶ NET.TCP
 - ► HTTP/HTTPS
 - ▶ Named Pipes (IPC)
 - ▶ Peer to Peer (P2P)
 - ▶ Message Queuing (MSMQ)
- **■** WCF Encoding Formats
 - Text
 - SOAP, XML, JavaScript
 - Binary
 - ▶ MTOM



WCF Contracts

"What can I do with this service?"

■ WCF Contracts specify what is communicated to the outside world

- **■** Four types of Contracts
 - ▶ Service: Operations the client can perform
 - ▶ Data: Define the data types passed by the service
 - ▶ Fault: Error handling and propagation
 - ▶ Message: Allows direct interaction with messages



WCF Contracts: Opt-In Approach

- Nothing is part of a service contract by default
 - Developer must explicitly use ServiceContract and OperationContract attributes to indicates methods exposed by the endpoint
 - ▶ DataContract and DataMember attributes can also be used to specify whether all or part of a complex type is exposed to clients



Attacking WCF Services

■ Example 1: Silverlight 3 Client Service

■ Example 2: WS-Security & Message Encryption

■ Example 3: WCF Duplex Services

Example 1: Silverlight Client Service

■ WCF is commonly consumed by Silverlight for browser-based services



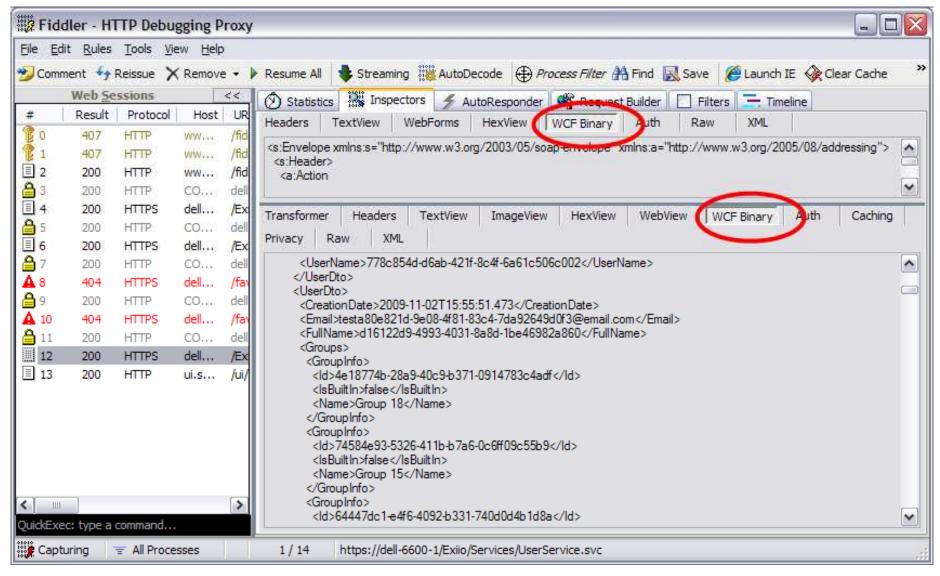
- ▶ Broad Support for WCF in Silverlight 3+
- ▶ By default, uses .NET Binary SOAP Messages
 - Smaller message sizes
 - Better messaging performance
 - Content-Type: application/soap+msbin1
 - MC-NBFS Protocol Specification
 - http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc219175(PROT.10).aspx



HTTP/S Proxies and MC-NBFS

- Limited (if any) support for MC-NBFS/MSBin1 in most common proxy tools
 - ▶ Fiddler: Binary XML Inspector (Richard Berg)
 - http://tfstoys.codeplex.com/
 - Read Only inspection of Binary XML Messages

Fiddler: Binary XML Inspector

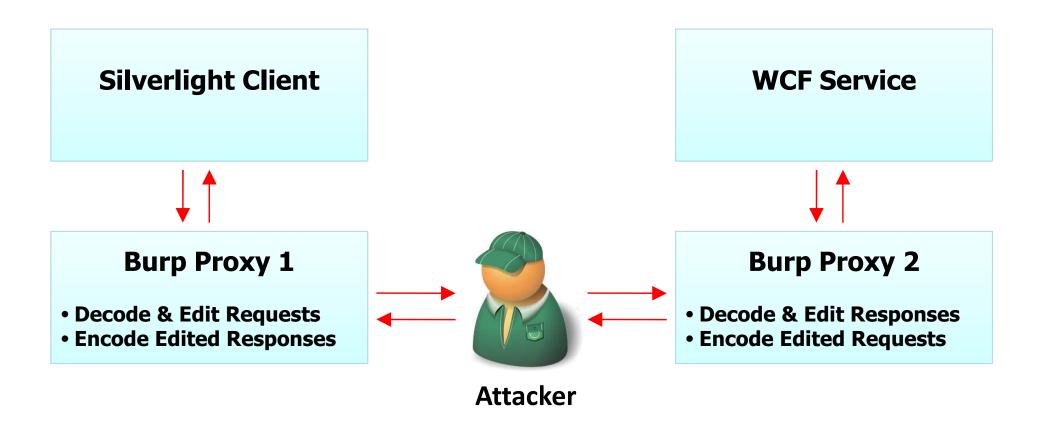


MSBin1 Burp Proxy Plug-In

- Plug-In for Burp Suite Free Edition
 - ▶ Burp: MSBin1 Plug-In (Gotham Digital Science)
 - Leverages Richard Berg's XML Encoder/Decoder
 - Allows full edit/update of Binary XML Messages
 - ► Implements processProxyMessage method of BurpExtender interface
 - Requires two chained proxy instances to perform encoding and decoding of intercepted requests
 - Sets "X-WCF-Proxy: must-encode" header to notify downstream Burp proxy

MSBin1 Burp Proxy Plug-In

■ Workaround for Burp Extender Limitation



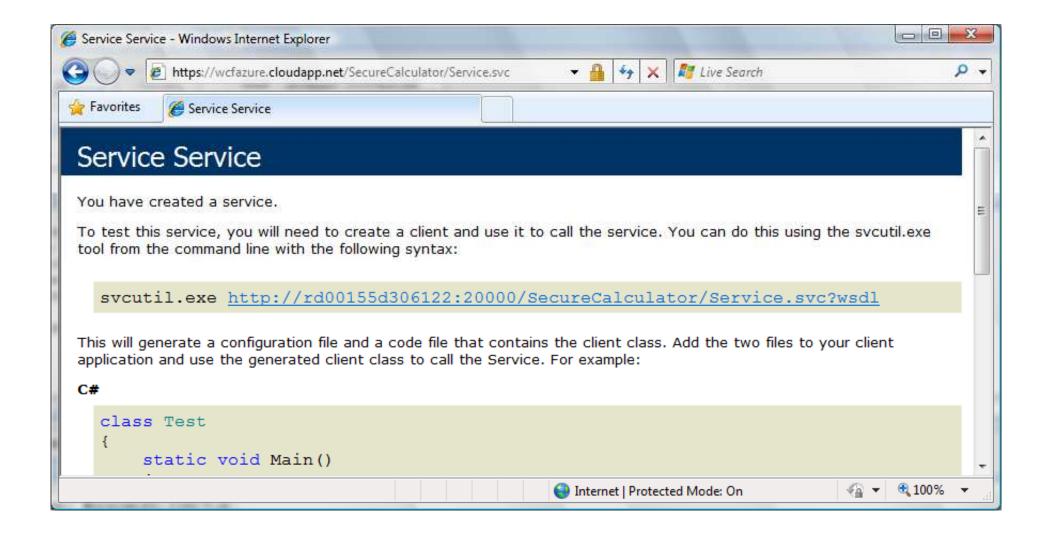
MSBin1 Burp Proxy Plug-In

- Plug-In for Burp Suite Professional Edition
 - ▶ Implements processProxyMessage and processHttpMessage methods of BurpExtender
 - These methods will be included in Free v1.3
 - ▶ Still requires 2nd chained proxy to edit responses
 - Above methods both invoked before response edit, not after
 - ▶ Both plug-ins available for free on GDS website (after this talk)

Obtaining MetaData from a WCF Endpoint

- HTTP-GET
 - ▶ Same as legacy ASMX
 - ▶ Retrieved by appending "?wsdl" to the address
- Metadata Exchange (MEX) Binding
 - Based on WS-MetadataExchange Standard
 - ▶ W3C Working Draft 25 June 2009

MetaData Helper Page



Obtaining MetaData from a WCF Endpoint

- By default, WCF services do not publish metadata
 - ▶ Both WSDL and MEX are enabled by default when generating WCF configuration in Visual Studio

```
[snip]
<endpoint address="mex" binding="mexHttpBinding"
    contract="IMetadataExchange"/>
[...]
<!-- To avoid disclosing metadata information, set the value below to false and remove the metadata endpoint above before deployment -->

<serviceMetadata httpGetEnabled="true"/>
[snip]
```



Basic MEX Request Structure

```
POST /MyService.svc/mex HTTP/1.1
Content-Type: application/soap+xml; charset=utf-8
Host: wcf.example.com
Content-Length: 565
<s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-
envelope" xmlns:a="http://www.w3.org/2005/08/addressing">
  <s:Header>
    <a:Action>
      http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get
    </a:Action>
    <a:To>
      http://wcf.example.com/MyService.svc/mex
    </a:To>
  </s:Header>
  <s:Body/>
</s:Envelope>
```

Manual Testing Utilities

■ Leveraging MetaData for Manual Testing

- ▶ WcfTestClient
 - Ships with Visual Studio 2008+
 - Automatically Parses WSDL or MEX
 - http://weblogs.asp.net/blogs/guillermo/Code/WcfTestClient.zip
- WCF Storm
 - Supports most WCF bindings, including MC-NBFS over HTTP
 - Free Lite Version available
 - http://www.wcfstorm.com/wcf/download-wcfstorm-lite.aspx

Obtaining MetaData from a Silverlight XAP

- Silverlight client can be decompiled to obtain service metadata from the XAP file
 - Service Endpoints
 - Methods & Data Types
- Download, Unzip, Decompile
 - ▶ .NET Reflector
 - ▶ FileGenerator Plug-In





Example 2: Secure WCF Bindings

- Secure bindings support Message Security based on WS-Security standards
 - NetTCPBinding
 - Binary XML Message Format
 - wsHttpBinding
 - SOAP/XML over HTTP/S
 - many more...
- Multiple credentials options
 - ▶ Windows, Certificate, Username, Anonymous, IssuedToken

Determining WCF Security Settings

- Analyze Binding Security Settings
 - Primarily Driven off "Mode"
 - Transport
 - clientCredentialType
 - Message
 - clientCredentialType
 - TransportWithMessage
 - Refer to both Transport and Message settings
 - None

WCF Message Security

- Message security uses the WS-Security specification to secure messages
 - ▶ Alternative to TLS/SSL
 - ▶ Supports message signing, encryption, or both
- Message security supports negotiation by default
 - Service is dynamically asked for the correct token before any messages are exchanged
 - Can be anonymous or require credentials
 - Negotiation requires at least one certificate



WS-S Anonymous Message Encryption

SOAP security negotiation with 'http://target/service.svc' for target 'http://targetservice.svc' failed.

- ▶ Requires a valid server certificate
 - Signed by trusted CA or in "Trusted People" store
 - Can be disabled via client endpoint behaviorConfiguration
- Certificate may be provided within meta data
 - Client -> Endpoint -> Identity -> Certificate

- Much easier than it sounds
 - ▶ Usually requires less than 10 lines of custom code!!
- Use **svcutil** to generate the following artifacts using WSDL or MEX medatata:
 - ▶ [Service Name].cs Client class with accessible web methods and complex data types
 - output.config Configuration file with endpoint information (address, bindings, contract)

■ Custom WCF client in less than 10 lines of code

- Quick and Dirty Test Client
 - ▶ Step 1: Generate [class].cs and App.config
 - svcutil <metadataPath> /out:MyClient.cs /config:MyClient.exe.config
 - ▶ Step 2: Add console processing logic
 - using System;
 - main()
 - ▶ Step 3: Compile MyClient.cs file with csc.exe

■ Disabling certificate verification

WS-S Username Credentials

- Username & Password credentials passed with each message
 - WCF does not allow this mechanism over unencrypted transport
 - ▶ Passed in SOAP Header as defined by standards

WS-S Username Credentials

■ NOTE: MetaData not always published over SSL

Default Visual Studio Template includes:

```
<serviceMetadata httpGetEnabled="true"/>
```

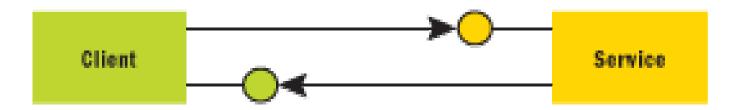
but NOT:

```
<serviceMetadata httpsGetEnabled="true"/>
```



Example 3: WCF Duplex Services

- WCF also supports "Duplex" communication
 - ▶ Opens "callback" channel for each client
 - WSDualHttpBinding
 - NetTcpBinding
 - NetPeerTcpBinding
 - ▶ Ideal for "push" notification
 - ▶ Callback endpoint is a listening port on the client host





WSDualHttpBinding

- WSDualHttpBinding designed for HTTP Duplex
 - Dedicated port on client machine to accept callbacks
 - ▶ Uses Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
- Client informs WCF of callback address during initial request
 - WCF server will issue an acknowledgement response to callback address

Abusing WSDualHttpBinding

■ Port scanning via WSDualHttpBinding callback

```
<s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
 xmlns:a="http://www.w3.org/2005/08/addressing">
    <s:Header>
        <a:Action s:mustUnderstand="1">
         http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/02/rm/CreateSequence
        </a:Action>
        <a:MessageID>urn:uuid:foobar</a:MessageID>
        <a:ReplyTo>
            <a:Address>http://holyfield-pc:135/test</a:Address>
        </a:ReplyTo>
        <a:To s:mustUnderstand="1">
          http://gotham-vista:88/Service.svc
        </a:To>
    </s:Header>
    <s:Body>
        <CreateSequence xmlns="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/02/rm">
        </CreateSequence>
    </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>
```



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