



Action required: Update Apple, Android devices ASAP to fix security vulnerabilities

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Summary

Vulnerabilities in Apple and Google Android operating systems (OSs) have been discovered. Users should ensure their devices are up to date with currently-available patches.

Details

- A vulnerability has been discovered in macOS, iOS, WatchOS, iPadOS, and tvOS. If exploited, it could allow criminals to execute arbitrary code, bypass security restrictions, and allow the attacker to install programs; view, change, or delete data; or create new accounts with full user rights.
- Multiple vulnerabilities have been discovered in the Google Android OS, which could allow for remote code execution. An attacker could install programs; view, change, or delete data; or create new accounts with full user rights.

Impact

The University of Utah's **Information Security Office** is aware of the issue and is closely monitoring developments. Apple and Google have released security updates, as well as information about other ways to mitigate the risks.

More information

- Apple: https://www.cisecurity.org/advisory/a-vulnerability-in-apple-products-could-allow-for-arbitrary-code-execution_2020-074/
- Android: https://www.cisecurity.org/advisory/multiple-vulnerabilities-in-google-android-os-could-allow-for-arbitrary-code-execution_2020-073/

If you have questions, your local IT support staff may be able to assist, or you may contact your respective central help desk: UIT Help Desk (801-581-4000, option 1) or the ITS Service Desk (801-587-6000).

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