# CWE Detail – CWE-421

## Description

The product opens an alternate channel to communicate with an authorized user, but the channel is accessible to other actors.

## Extended Description

This creates a race condition that allows an attacker to access the channel before the authorized user does.

## Threat-Mapped Scoring

Score: 0.0

Priority: Unclassified

## Observed Examples (CVEs)

**•** CVE-1999-0351: FTP "Pizza Thief" vulnerability. Attacker can connect to a port that was intended for use by another client.

**•** CVE-2003-0230: Product creates Windows named pipe during authentication that another attacker can hijack by connecting to it.

## Modes of Introduction

**•** Architecture and Design: N/A

## Common Consequences

**•** Impact: Gain Privileges or Assume Identity, Bypass Protection Mechanism — Notes:

## Applicable Platforms

**•** None (Class: Not Language-Specific, Prevalence: Undetermined)