

[CVE-2020-11991] Apache Cocoon security vulnerability

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Severity: Important

Vendor: The Apache Software Foundation

Versions Affected: Apache Cocoon up to 2.1.12

Description: When using the StreamGenerator, the code parse a user-provided XML.

A specially crafted XML, including external system entities, could be used to access any file on the server system.

Mitigation:

The StreamGenerator now ignores external entities. 2.1.x users should upgrade to 2.1.13

Example:

With the following input :

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<!--?xml version="1.0" ?--> <!DOCTYPE replace [<ENTITY ent SYSTEM
"file:///etc/shadow"> ]> <userInfo> <firstName>John</firstName>
<lastName>&ent;</lastName> </userInfo> an attacker got the content of
/etc/shadow
```

Credit: This issue was discovered by Nassim Asrir.

Regards,

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Hello Cedric,

Are external entities blocked also in XSLT?

Greetings,
Greg

pt., 11 wrz 2020 o 11:39 Cédric Damioli <cd...@apache.org> napisal(a):



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Hi,

Entities resolution is managed by features of the SAX Parser, before any transformation.

Cédric

Le 11/09/2020 à 12:12, gelo1234 a écrit :



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