

tiffcrop: SEGV in _TIFFmemset, tif_unix.c:340

Summary

There is a SEGV in _TIFFmemset in libtiff/tif_unix.c:340. Remote attackers could leverage this vulnerability to cause a denial-of-service via a crafted tiff file.

Version

LIBTIFF, Version 4.3.0, commit id [5e180045](#) (Fri Feb 25 10:38:31 2022 +0000)

Steps to reproduce

```
# CFLAGS="-g -fsanitize=address -fno-omit-frame-pointer" CXXFLAGS="-g -fsanitize=address -fno-omit-f

# make -j; make install; make clean

# ./build_asan/bin/tiffcrop -H 341 poc /tmp/foo
TIFFReadDirectoryCheckOrder: Warning, Invalid TIFF directory; tags are not sorted in ascending order
TIFFReadDirectory: Warning, Unknown field with tag 77 (0x4d) encountered.
TIFFReadDirectory: Warning, Unknown field with tag 501 (0x1f5) encountered.
TIFFReadDirectory: Warning, Unknown field with tag 11345 (0x2c51) encountered.
TIFFReadDirectory: Warning, Unknown field with tag 18761 (0x4949) encountered.
TIFFReadDirectory: Warning, Unknown field with tag 1536 (0x600) encountered.
TIFFReadDirectory: Warning, Unknown field with tag 65328 (0xff30) encountered.
TIFFReadDirectory: Warning, Unknown field with tag 63231 (0xf6ff) encountered.
TIFFFetchNormalTag: Warning, Incorrect count for "NumberOfInks"; tag ignored.
TIFFFetchNormalTag: Warning, Incorrect count for "Orientation"; tag ignored.
TIFFFetchNormalTag: Warning, ASCII value for tag "PageName" does not end in null byte.
TIFFAdvanceDirectory: Error fetching directory link.
loadImage: Image lacks Photometric interpretation tag.
Fax4Decode: Warning, Line length mismatch at line 0 of strip 0 (got 133, expected 132).
Fax4Decode: Warning, Premature EOL at line 2 of strip 0 (got 20, expected 132).
MemoryLimitError: allocation of 271321920 bytes is forbidden. Limit is 268435456.
    use -k option to change limit.


ASAN:DEADLYSIGNAL
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==3830458==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: SEGV on unknown address 0x000000000000 (pc 0x7f1b9e7efe6d bp 0x7
==3830458==The signal is caused by a WRITE memory access.
==3830458==Hint: address points to the zero page.
    #0 0x7f1b9e7efe6c (/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6+0x18ee6c)
    #1 0x7f1b9f707cde (/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libasan.so.4+0x5ecde)
    #2 0x5614b85ff803 in _TIFFmemset /root/programs/libtiff/libtiff/tif_unix.c:340
    #3 0x5614b8588197 in createImageSection /root/programs/libtiff/tools/tiffcrop.c:7410
    #4 0x5614b8586c05 in writeImageSections /root/programs/libtiff/tools/tiffcrop.c:7096
    #5 0x5614b856ce78 in main /root/programs/libtiff/tools/tiffcrop.c:2451
    #6 0x7f1b9e682bf6 in __libc_start_main (/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6+0x21bf6)
    #7 0x5614b8563869 in _start (/root/programs/libtiff/build_asan/bin/tiffcrop+0x28869)

AddressSanitizer can not provide additional info.
SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: SEGV (/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6+0x18ee6c)
==3830458==ABORTING
```


Platform

```
# uname -a
Linux 4a409ce47130 5.4.0-70-generic #78~18.04.1-Ubuntu SMP Sat Mar 20 14:10:07 UTC 2021 x86_64 x86_64
```


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Analysis

Crash Cause

With gdb, we can print the backtrace as follows.

```
gdb-peda$ bt
#0  __memset_avx2_erms () at ../sysdeps/x86_64/multiarch/memset-vec-unaligned-erms.S:151
#1  0x00005555559a253 in _TIFFmemset (p=0x0, v=0x0, c=0x1093fb60) at tif_unix.c:340
#2  0x000055555556c100 in createImageSection (sectsize=0x1093fb60, sect_buff_ptr=0x7ffffffe960, image=0x0, src_buff=0x7ffffe7daf010 "", sect_buff_ptr=0x7ffffffe8ed8) at tiffcrop.c:7096
#3  0x000055555556b3f5 in writeImageSections (in=0x555555617eb0, out=0x55555561ac60, image=0x0, src_buff=0x7ffffe7daf010 "", sect_buff_ptr=0x7ffffffe8ed8) at tiffcrop.c:7096
#4  0x0000555555555ece4 in main (argc=0x5, argv=0x7ffffffe968) at tiffcrop.c:2451
#5  0x00007ffff7b90b3 in __libc_start_main (main=0x5555555e166 <main>, argc=0x5, argv=0x7ffffffe968, init=0x7ffff7b90b3, fini=0x7ffff7b90b3, rtdyn=0x7ffff7b90b3) at ../csu/libc-start.c:308
#6  0x000055555555a26e in _start ()
```

It is weird that the pointer *p* is a NULL pointer. From code, we can find that the NULL pointer is from `createImageSection`, `tiffcrop.c:7408`.

```
sect_buff = (unsigned char *)limitMalloc(sectsize);
*sect_buff_ptr = sect_buff;
_TIFFmemset(sect_buff, 0, sectsize);
```

The `sectsize` is equal to `0x0x1093fb60` here, which is greater than `maxMalloc` in `limitMalloc`, `tiffcrop.c:620`

```
static void* limitMalloc(tmsize_t s)
{
    if (maxMalloc && (s > maxMalloc)) {
        fprintf(stderr, "MemoryLimitError: allocation of %" PRIu64 " bytes is forbidden. Limit is %" PRIu64 "\n", (uint64_t)s, (uint64_t)maxMalloc);
        fprintf(stderr, "Use -k option to change limit.\n");
        return NULL;
    }
    return _TIFFmalloc(s);
}
```

Since the function `createImageSection` does not check the return value, the program crashes.

How to fix

Add checks before `_TIFFmemset` as follows.

```
sect_buff = (unsigned char *)limitMalloc(sectsize);
*sect_buff_ptr = sect_buff;

if (!sect_buff)
{
    TIFFError("createImageSection", "Unable to allocate/reallocate section buffer");
    return (-1);
}

_TIFFmemset(sect_buff, 0, sectsize);
```

Note that, there are some similar bugs in `tiffcrop.c:7420`, `tiffcrop.c:7699`, and `tiffcrop.c:7716`. We can use the same way to fix them, as shown in [!314 \(merged\)](#).

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