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## PXB-2854 - Quicklz decompression memory corruption issue fix #1366

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Chaloff commented on Aug 19

There is a memory corruption issue inside the quicklz.c source file that ships with Percona XtraBackup. Specifically the problem happens on copying user-supplied binary data over heap allocated memory buffers of user-controlled size. This allows corruption of heap data structures and potential arbitrary code execution.

The code in question is inside the qlz\_decompress function of quicklz.c file:

```
size_t qlz_decompress(const char *source, void *destination, qlz_state_decompress *state)
{
    size_t dsiz = qlz_size_decompressed(source);

    if (state->stream_counter + qlz_size_decompressed(source) - 1 >= QLZ_STREAMING_BUFFER)
    {
        if ((*source & 1) == 1)
        {
            reset_table_decompress(state);
            dsiz = qlz_decompress_core((const unsigned char *)source, (unsigned char *)destination, dsiz, state, (const unsigned char *)destination);
        }
        else
        {
            memcpy(destination, source + qlz_size_header(source), dsiz);
        }
        state->stream_counter = 0;
        reset_table_decompress(state);
    }
    else
    {
        unsigned char *dst = state->stream_buffer + state->stream_counter;
        if ((*source & 1) == 1)
        {
            dsiz = qlz_decompress_core((const unsigned char *)source, dst, dsiz, state, (const unsigned char *)state->stream_buffer);
        }
        else
        {
            memcpy(dst, source + qlz_size_header(source), dsiz);
            reset_table_decompress(state);
        }
        memcpy(destination, dst, dsiz);
        state->stream_counter += dsiz;
    }
    return dsiz;
}
```

Note the first memcpy invocation: that does copy data from user-provided compressed file into a heap-allocated buffer for which size is also controlled by the user via the compressed file header. This allows heap corruption with user-controlled data. Potentially this means arbitrary code execution for the processes that utilize the vulnerable function - one example is xbstream with `—decompress` flag.

Steps to reproduce:

- Create a compressed file, e.g. with `qpress` from some file larger than 65535 bytes.
- Edit compressed file so that the four bytes at offset 8 are changed to be less than 0x10000, for example set to 0x1000 instead.
- Edit the file so that the byte at offset 50 is an even value to pass the test: `if ((*source & 1) == 1)`
- Replace the bytes of actual file with some recognizable pattern, e.g. 0x41 0x42 0x43 0x44
- Add the file to an xbstream file: `xbstream -c Demo.qp > Demo.xbstream`
- Now try to extract with decompression using xbstream under a debugger, e.g. `gdb` and observe the corruption: `xbstream —decompress -x < Demo.xbstream`

```
head -c 100000 </dev/urandom > payload.bin
qpress payload.bin payload.qp

ls -l payload.qp -rw-r--r-- 1 me me 100107 Feb 17 18:08 payload.qp

printf '\x00\x01\x00' | dd of=payload.qp bs=1 seek=8 count=3 conv=notrunc

printf '\x10' | dd of=payload.qp bs=1 seek=49 count=1 conv=notrunc

python -c 'import sys; sys.stdout.write("A"*100040)' | dd of=payload.qp bs=1 seek=50 count=100040 conv=notrunc

xbstream-80 -c payload.qp > corrupted.xbstream

$ xbstream-80 --decompress -x < corrupted.xbstream Segmentation fault ```

Fix by prevent XtraBackup read/write outside array bounds
```

All new code of the whole pull request, including one or several files that are either new files or modified ones, are contributed under the BSD-new license. I am contributing on behalf of my employer Amazon Web Services, Inc.

it-percona-cla commented on Aug 19 • edited

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Thank you for your submission! We really appreciate it. Like many open source projects, we ask that you sign our [Contributor License Agreement](#) before we can accept your contribution. You have signed the CLA already but the status is still pending? Let us [recheck](#) it.

ottok commented on Aug 19

Related to this we have also submitted [PierreLvx/qpress#6](#)

ottok commented on Aug 22

Related blog post: <https://lavaux.lv/2022/08/21/qpress-file-archiver-security-update.html>

 Chaloff force-pushed the `github-quicklz-fix` branch from `7c41171` to `2aad9cd` 3 months ago

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 altmannmarcelo self-assigned this on Aug 23

 altmannmarcelo self-requested a review 3 months ago

ottok commented on Sep 15

Any possibility to get a review on this one?

altmannmarcelo commented on Sep 15

Contributor

Hi @ottok and @Chaloff.

First of all, thanks for providing the patch for this issue. We have raised an internal bug to keep track of it <https://jira.percona.com/browse/PXB-2854>.

This issue is currently a blocker for our next release. We are in the process of working on the issues that will be part of the release and this PR will get reviewed soon.

Thanks

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altmannmarcelo commented on Oct 5

Contributor

@Chaloff I am working on reviewing this fix and merging it to our next release branch. Can you please sign the CLA agreement at [#1366 \(comment\)](#)

 ottok commented on Oct 5

AWS does not sign CLAs. We contribute this with the open source license of the project.



altmannmarcelo requested changes on Oct 5

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altmannmarcelo left a comment

Contributor

I will get back on the license once I hear back internally.

For now, I can see that the provided patch breaks the software functionality:

```
xtrabackup --backup --port=3306 --stream=xbstream --parallel=16 --compress --compress-threads=4 --encrypt=AES256 --encrypt-key='percona_xtrabackup_is_awesome__' --encrypt-threads=4 --encrypt-chunk-size=8K > backup.out
```

```
mkdir out
```

```
xbstream -xv --parallel=1 --decompress --decompress-threads=1 --decrypt=AES256 --encrypt-key='percona_xtrabackup_is_awesome__' --encrypt-threads=1 -C out < backup.out
```

This produces an error:

```
sys/sys_config.ibd.qp.xbencrypt
Error: compressed file was corrupted - header data size and actual data size mismatch - can't decompress
decompress: error running decompression.
decrypt: write to destination failed.
xbstream: my_write() failed.
exit code: 1
```

altmannmarcelo commented on Oct 24

Contributor

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Are you interested in continue working on this PR?

Chaloff commented on Oct 24

Author

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Yes, sorry - was busy, will proceed with the PR this week

  Chaloff force-pushed the `github-quicklz-fix` branch from `2aad9cd` to `9154211` last month

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altmannmarcelo commented on Oct 28

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  Quicklz decompression memory corruption issue fix ...

✖ 906fec9

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  altmannmarcelo changed the title `Quicklz decompression memory corruption issue fix` to `PXB-2854 - Quicklz decompression memory corruption issue fix` 18 days ago

altmannmarcelo commented 18 days ago

Contributor

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Using latest commit the same issue still happening:

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I probably need some assistance here if you don't mind. The fix in qpress are pretty simple and well tested - it just check boundaries of two arrays (source and target) before decompress. The problem seems to be in calling this qpress function - `qlz_decompress(...)` - we need to pass the allocated size of source and target arrays to be able to check against it. I do it like this:

```
thd->to_alloc_size = decomp_file->decomp_ctxt->chunk_size; thd->from_alloc_size = qlz_size_compressed(decomp_file->header);
```

Looks like it's incorrect way. Can you advise me here how to do it correctly?

Thanks in advance

Reviewers

 altmannmarcelo



Assignees

 altmannmarcelo

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Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

4 participants

