

# Out-of-bound write vulnerability in the Bluetooth mesh core stack can be triggered during provisioning

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Package

**zephyr** (west)

Affected versions

<= 3.0

Patched versions

None

## Description

### Impact

In Zephyr bluetooth mesh core stack, an out-of-bound write vulnerability can be triggered during provisioning, because there lacks a check for mismatched SegN and TotalLength in Transaction Start PDU.

In `gen_prov_start`, there lacks a check for mismatched SegN and TotalLength. For example, TotalLength 65 with SegN 62 in Transaction Start PDU is considered as valid (infact, if TotalLength is 65, SegN should be only 2). SegN 62 will be set into `link.rx.last_seg`.

```

BT_DBG("len %u last_seg %u total_len %u fcs 0x%02x", buf->len,
        START_LAST_SEG(rx->gpc), link.rx.buf->len, link.rx.fcs);

if (link.rx.buf->len < 1) {
    BT_ERR("Ignoring zero-length provisioning PDU");
    prov_failed(PROV_ERR_NVAL_FMT);
    return;
}

if (link.rx.buf->len > link.rx.buf->size) {
    BT_ERR("Too large provisioning PDU (%u bytes)",
            link.rx.buf->len);
    prov_failed(PROV_ERR_NVAL_FMT);
    return;
}

if (START_LAST_SEG(rx->gpc) > 0 && link.rx.buf->len <= 20U) {
    BT_ERR("Too small total length for multi-segment PDU");
    prov_failed(PROV_ERR_NVAL_FMT);
    return;
}

prov_clear_tx();

link.rx.last_seg = START_LAST_SEG(rx->gpc);

```

By sending malformed Transaction Start PDU with legal TotalLength and oversize SegN, the check for SegO and SegN in Transaction Continue PDU can be bypassed.

```

if (seg > link.rx.last_seg) {
    BT_ERR("Invalid segment index %u", seg);
    prov_failed(PROV_ERR_NVAL_FMT);
    return;
}

```

In consequence, sending a Transaction Continue PDU with actually oversized (i.e., larger than 2, corresponding to the size of rx\_buf) SegO will trigger out-of-bound write. That is, if SegO > 2, then  $20 + (\text{SegO} - 1) \times 23 + 23 > 65$ ,

```

NET_BUF_SIMPLE_DEFINE_STATIC(rx_buf, 65);

memcpy(XACT_SEG_DATA(seg), buf->data, buf->len);
XACT_SEG_RECV(seg);

```

where  $20 + (\text{SegO} - 1) \times 23$  is the offset.

## Patches

This has been fixed in:

main: [#45136](#)

v3.0: [#45188](#)

v2.7: [#45187](#)

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### Severity

**High** 8.2 / 10

#### CVSS base metrics

Attack vector	Adjacent
Attack complexity	Low
Privileges required	Low
User interaction	None
Scope	Changed
Confidentiality	High
Integrity	Low
Availability	Low

CVSS:3.1/AV:A/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:C/C:H/I:L/A:L

### CVE ID

CVE-2022-1041

### Weaknesses

CWE-787