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PySolr and DependencyCheck

# Overview

Project	Implementation Language	License
PySolr	Python	3-Clause BSD
DependencyCheck	Java	Apache 2.0

# PySolr

- ...is a client for Solr. What is Solr?
- IDATA – why I cared
- Submission/Acceptance experience

# Apache Solr

“Solr is the popular, blazing-fast, open source enterprise search platform built on Apache Lucene™.”

<http://lucene.apache.org/solr/>

## PySolr

“`pysolr` is a lightweight Python client for Apache Solr. It provides an interface that queries the server and returns results based on the query.”

<https://github.com/django-haystack/pysolr>

<https://pypi.org/project/pysolr/>

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# The issue to fix

- `def extract(self, file_obj, ..., **kwargs):`
- POSTs a file to the Solr index, relying on Solr to extract text and metadata
- Failing with spaces and unicode characters in filenames
- GitHub issue tracker existed for years, along with suggested fix!
- We were actually manually applying this fix.

# The core of the fix

- Using urllib library's quote() function.
- There's more to it, but this is the most important bit:

```
params.update(kwargs)
1030 -
1037 + filename = quote(file_obj.name.encode('utf-8'))
1031 1038 try:
1032 1039     # We'll provide the file using its true name as Tika may use that
1033 1040     # as a file type hint:
1034 1041     resp = self._send_request('post', handler,
1035 1042                             body=params,
1036 - files={'file': (file_obj.name, file_obj)})
1043 + files={'file': (filename, file_obj)})
1037 1044 except (IOError, SolrError) as err:
```



# My Contribution

- Cleaned up suggested fix a little
- Create new (smoke) test cases that the CI server could run to validate the change
- Create pull request
- Nudge the project administrator every few weeks to merge
- Result: I forgot about this for a few months, and when I checked back, it had quietly been merged and included in the v3.8.1 release.

# Test code contribution

- This is just the start of the test, but it shows the exercising of the changed function.

```
863 +     def test_extract_special_char_in_filename(self):
864 +         fake_f = StringIO("""
865 +             <html>
866 +                 <head>
867 +                     <meta charset="utf-8">
868 +                     <meta name="haystack-test" content="test 1234">
869 +                     <title>Test Title ⚡</title>
870 +                 </head>
871 +                 <body>foobar</body>
872 +             </html>
873 +         """)
874 +         fake_f.name = u"test⚡.html"
875 +         extracted = self.solr.extract(fake_f)
```

# OWASP Dependency-Check

Dependency-Check is a utility that identifies project dependencies and checks if there are any known, publicly disclosed, vulnerabilities. Currently, Java and .NET are supported; additional experimental support has been added for **Ruby**, **Node.js**, **Python**, and limited support for C/C++ build systems (**autoconf** and **cmake**)\*. The tool can be part of a solution to the OWASP Top 10 2017 A9-Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities previously known as OWASP Top 10 2013 A9-Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities.


[https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP\\_Dependency\\_Check](https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Dependency_Check)

# Why I contributed

- In 2015, participated in a work task funded by DHS to improve overall open source cybersecurity with targeted contributions
  - OWASP contributions
    - OWASP Dependency-Check
    - OWASP Zed Attack Proxy (ZAP)
  - Start of CII Best Practices Badge program, which keeps growing:  
<https://bestpractices.coreinfrastructure.org/>



# Dependency-Check Architecture

- Updates local data from [nvd.nist.gov](https://nvd.nist.gov) (National Vulnerability Database) 
- Analyzes files/folders/archives for metadata evidence
  - Vendor
  - Product
  - Version
- Assigns a confidence (low, medium, high, highest) to evidence
- Compares to local NVD store in a configurable way

# PythonDistributionAnalyzer

- Able to scan a folder for the following
  - .whl files
  - Old-style packages - .egg or .zip extension
- Looks for files (in filesystem or archive formats):
  - EGG-INFO, PKG\_INFO, METADATA
  - \*.dist-info, \*.egg-info
- Leverages javax.mail.internet.InternetHeaders library to examine metadata files for evidence

# Some of the DistributionAnalyzer:

```
/**
 * Gathers evidence from the METADATA file.
 *
 * @param dependency the dependency being analyzed
 * @param file a reference to the manifest/properties file
 */
private static void collectWheelMetadata(Dependency dependency, File file) {
    final InternetHeaders headers = getManifestProperties(file);
    addPropertyToEvidence(dependency, EvidenceType.VERSION, Confidence.HIGHEST, headers, "Version");
    addPropertyToEvidence(dependency, EvidenceType.PRODUCT, Confidence.HIGHEST, headers, "Name");
    addPropertyToEvidence(dependency, EvidenceType.PRODUCT, Confidence.MEDIUM, headers, "Name");

    final String name = headers.getHeader("Name", null);
    final String version = headers.getHeader("Version", null);
    final String packagePath = String.format("%s:%s", name, version);
    dependency.setName(name);
    dependency.setVersion(version);
    dependency.setPackagePath(packagePath);
    dependency.setDisplayFileName(packagePath);
    final String url = headers.getHeader("Home-page", null);
    if (StringUtils.isNotBlank(url)) {
        if (UrlStringUtils.isUrl(url)) {
            dependency.addEvidence(EvidenceType.VENDOR, METADATA, "vendor", url, Confidence.MEDIUM);
        }
    }
    addPropertyToEvidence(dependency, EvidenceType.VENDOR, Confidence.LOW, headers, "Author");
    final String summary = headers.getHeader("Summary", null);
    if (StringUtils.isNotBlank(summary)) {
        JarAnalyzer.addDescription(dependency, summary, METADATA, "summary");
    }
}
```

# PythonPackageAnalyzer

- Able to scan a folder for Python packages, i.e., folders with `__init__.py`
- Regex scans all `.py` files therein
  - Docstrings and/or comments referring to vendor, author, and title
  - assignments to `__version__`, `__title__`, `__summary__`, `__uri__`, `__url__`, `__homepage__`, `__author__` and/or all caps versions of same variables



# Some of the PackageAnalyzer:

```
/**
 * Analyzes python packages and adds evidence to the dependency.
 *
 * @param dependency the dependency being analyzed
 * @param engine the engine being used to perform the scan
 * @throws AnalysisException thrown if there is an unrecoverable error
 * analyzing the dependency
 */
@Override
protected void analyzeDependency(Dependency dependency, Engine engine)
    throws AnalysisException {
    dependency.setEcosystem(DEPENDENCY_ECOSYSTEM);
    final File file = dependency.getActualFile();
    final File parent = file.getParentFile();
    final String parentName = parent.getName();
    if (INIT_PY_FILTER.accept(file)) {
        //by definition, the containing folder of __init__.py is considered the package, even the file is empty:
        // "The __init__.py files are required to make Python treat the directories as containing packages"
        //see section "6.4 Packages" from https://docs.python.org/2/tutorial/modules.html;
        dependency.addEvidence(EvidenceType.PRODUCT, file.getName(), "PackageName", parentName, Confidence.HIGHEST);
        dependency.setName(parentName);

        final File[] fileList = parent.listFiles(PY_FILTER);
        if (fileList != null) {
            for (final File sourceFile : fileList) {
                analyzeFileContents(dependency, sourceFile);
            }
        }
    } else {
        engine.removeDependency(dependency);
    }
}
```

# Contribution Experience

- The project leader was quite helpful and accepted most contributions
- Just as with PySolr, it was critical to include test cases that exercised my contributed code
- The project retains its Java and .NET focus, with my Python, Ruby, Node.js, etc. items labelled “experimental” and not turned on by default.
- Of course, now each of these communities (Python less so) have widely deployed free tools for auditing dependencies, e.g., `npm audit`