

1) Advisory information

Title : HP OpenView NNM webappmon.exe execvp_nc Remote Code Execution

Version : OpenView Network Node Manager 7.53

Analysis : http://www.abysssec.com
Vendor : http://www.hp.com

Impact : Critical

Contact: shahin [at] abysssec.com, info [at] abysssec.com

Twitter : @abysssec CVE : CVE-2010-2703

2) Vulnerable version

HP OpenView Network Node Manager 7.53 HP OpenView Network Node Manager 7.51

3) Vulnerability information

Class

1- Buffer overflow

Impact

An attacker can exploit this issue to execute arbitrary code with SYSTEM-level privileges. Successful exploits will completely compromise affected computers.

Remotely Exploitable

Yes

Locally Exploitable

Yes

4) Vulnerabilities detail

In this section according to the file name and vulnerable function patched and unpatched sections of the execvp_nc function are compared:

```
UnPatch
.text:5A0227D9
                      push offset asc 5A04395C; Dest
                      lea edx, [ebp+CommandLine]
.text:5A0227DE
                     push edx
.text:5A0227E4
                                     ; Str
.text:5A0227E5
                     call strcat new
.text:5A0227EA
                     add esp, 8
                     mov eax, [ebp+var_8004]
.text:5A0227ED
                     mov ecx, [ebp+arg 4]
.text:5A0227F3
.text:5A0227F6
                     mov edx, [ecx+eax*4]
.text:5A0227F9
                     push edx
                                     ; Source
                     lea eax, [ebp+CommandLine]
.text:5A0227FA
.text:5A022800
                     push eax
                                     ; Dest
.text:5A022801
                     call strcat new
.text:5A022806
                     add esp, 8
.text:5A022809
                     cmp [ebp+var_8004], 1
                     jle short loc 5A022826
.text:5A022810
.text:5A022812
                     push offset asc_5A043960; " "
.text:5A022817
                     lea ecx, [ebp+Parameters]
.text:5A02281D
                                     ; Dest
                      push ecx
.text:5A02281E
                     call strcat_new
.text:5A022823
                     add esp, 8
.text:5A022826
.text:5A022826 loc 5A022826:
                                        ; CODE XREF: execvp_nc+A0j
```

```
.text:5A022826
                              edx, [ebp+var_8004]
                       mov
.text:5A02282C
                       mov
                              eax, [ebp+arg_4]
.text:5A02282F
                       mov
                              ecx, [eax+edx*4]
.text:5A022832
                             ecx
                                       ; Source
                       push
                            edx, [ebp+Parameters]
.text:5A022833
                       lea
                                        ; Dest
.text:5A022839
                       push edx
.text:5A02283A
                       call
                            strcat new
.text:5A02283F
                             esp, 8
                       add
.text:5A022842
                             short loc_5A02288B
                       jmp
```

```
Patch
.text:5A02283D
                       lea
                             edx, [ebp+CommandLine]
.text:5A022843
                       push
                             edx
                                        ; Str
.text:5A022844
                       call
                            strlen_new
.text:5A022849
                       add
                             esp, 4
.text:5A02284C
                             ecx, 3FFFh
                       mov
.text:5A022851
                       sub
                             ecx, eax
.text:5A022853
                       push ecx
                                        ; Count
                            offset Source ; " "
.text:5A022854
.text:5A022859
                       lea
                            edx, [ebp+CommandLine]
.text:5A02285F
                       push edx
                                        ; Dest
.text:5A022860
                       call
                            ds:strncat
.text:5A022866
                       add
                             esp, 0Ch
.text:5A022869
                       mov
                              [ebp+var_4001], 0
                       lea
                             eax, [ebp+CommandLine]
.text:5A022870
.text:5A022876
                       push eax
                                        ; Str
.text:5A022877
                            strlen_new
                       call
.text:5A02287C
                       add
                             esp, 4
.text:5A02287F
                             ecx, 3FFFh
                       mov
.text:5A022884
                       sub
                             ecx, eax
.text:5A022886
                       push
                             ecx
                                        ; Count
.text:5A022887
                              edx, [ebp+var 8004]
                       mov
.text:5A02288D
                              eax, [ebp+arg_4]
                       mov
.text:5A022890
                              ecx, [eax+edx*4]
                       mov
.text:5A022893
                       push
                              ecx
                                        ; Source
.text:5A022894
                       lea
                            edx, [ebp+CommandLine]
.text:5A02289A
                       push edx
                                        ; Dest
.text:5A02289B
                       call
                            ds:strncat
.text:5A0228A1
                       add
                             esp, 0Ch
                              [ebp+var_4001], 0
.text:5A0228A4
                       mov
.text:5A0228AB
                              [ebp+var_8004], 1
                       cmp
.text:5A0228B2
                            short loc_5A0228E4
                       ile
.text:5A0228B4
                       lea
                            eax, [ebp+Parameters]
.text:5A0228BA
                                        ; Str
                       push eax
.text:5A0228BB
                       call
                            strlen new
.text:5A0228C0
                       add
                             esp, 4
.text:5A0228C3
                       mov
                              ecx, 3FFFh
.text:5A0228C8
                       sub
                             ecx, eax
.text:5A0228CA
                       push ecx
                                        ; Count
.text:5A0228CB
                       push offset asc_5A043998; " "
.text:5A0228D0
                             edx, [ebp+Parameters]
```

```
.text:5A0228D6
                      push edx
                                       : Dest
.text:5A0228D7
                      call ds:strncat
.text:5A0228DD
                      add
                            esp, 0Ch
                            [ebp+var_1], 0
.text:5A0228E0
                      mov
.text:5A0228E4
.text:5A0228E4 loc 5A0228E4:
                                         ; CODE XREF: execvp_nc+E2j
.text:5A0228E4
                      lea eax, [ebp+Parameters]
.text:5A0228EA
                      push eax
                                      ; Str
.text:5A0228EB
                      call strlen_new
.text:5A0228F0
                      add
                            esp, 4
.text:5A0228F3
                      mov
                            ecx, 3FFFh
.text:5A0228F8
                      sub ecx, eax
.text:5A0228FA
                      push ecx
                                      ; Count
                            edx, [ebp+var_8004]
.text:5A0228FB
                      mov
.text:5A022901
                            eax, [ebp+arg 4]
                      mov
.text:5A022904
                      mov ecx, [eax+edx*4]
                                      ; Source
.text:5A022907
                      push ecx
.text:5A022908
                      lea edx, [ebp+Parameters]
.text:5A02290E
                                      ; Dest
                      push edx
.text:5A02290F
                      call ds:strncat
.text:5A022915
                      add esp, 0Ch
.text:5A022918
                      mov [ebp+var_1], 0
.text:5A02291C
                            short loc_5A022965
                      jmp
```

As demonstrated above in the unpatched version by calling the strcat_new at address 0x5A0227E5, it adds one of input values for the function at offset asc_5A04395C to a fixed length array that address of the array is in the edx register. In this operation there is no check on the copied value to the fixed length array.

In the patched version by calling strlen_new first the length of the input will be stored in eax and then this value will be substitute from 3FFFh and the result of this operation will be pushed on the stack as the number of copies to the calling of strncat function at address 0x5A022860. And with this value length of the copied string in the fixed length array is checked.

In the unpatched version by calling the strcat_new at address 0x5A022801, two string are concatenated with each other without any check.

In the patched version by calling strlen before strncat at address 0x 5A022877 length of the string is checked. Similar checking conditions are performed in address 0x 5A0228BB, 0x 5A0228EB.

In the following section we have a python script that send a long request to the cgi webappmon.exe. After running the script a stack overflow occurs in the program and the error will be displayed on the screen. This script sends a request based on the ping command to the webappmon.exe. We have used the POST operation in http protocol because of long data.

The proof of concept is attached as poc.py

Here is the result after running the script:

