

OWASP Dependency Check

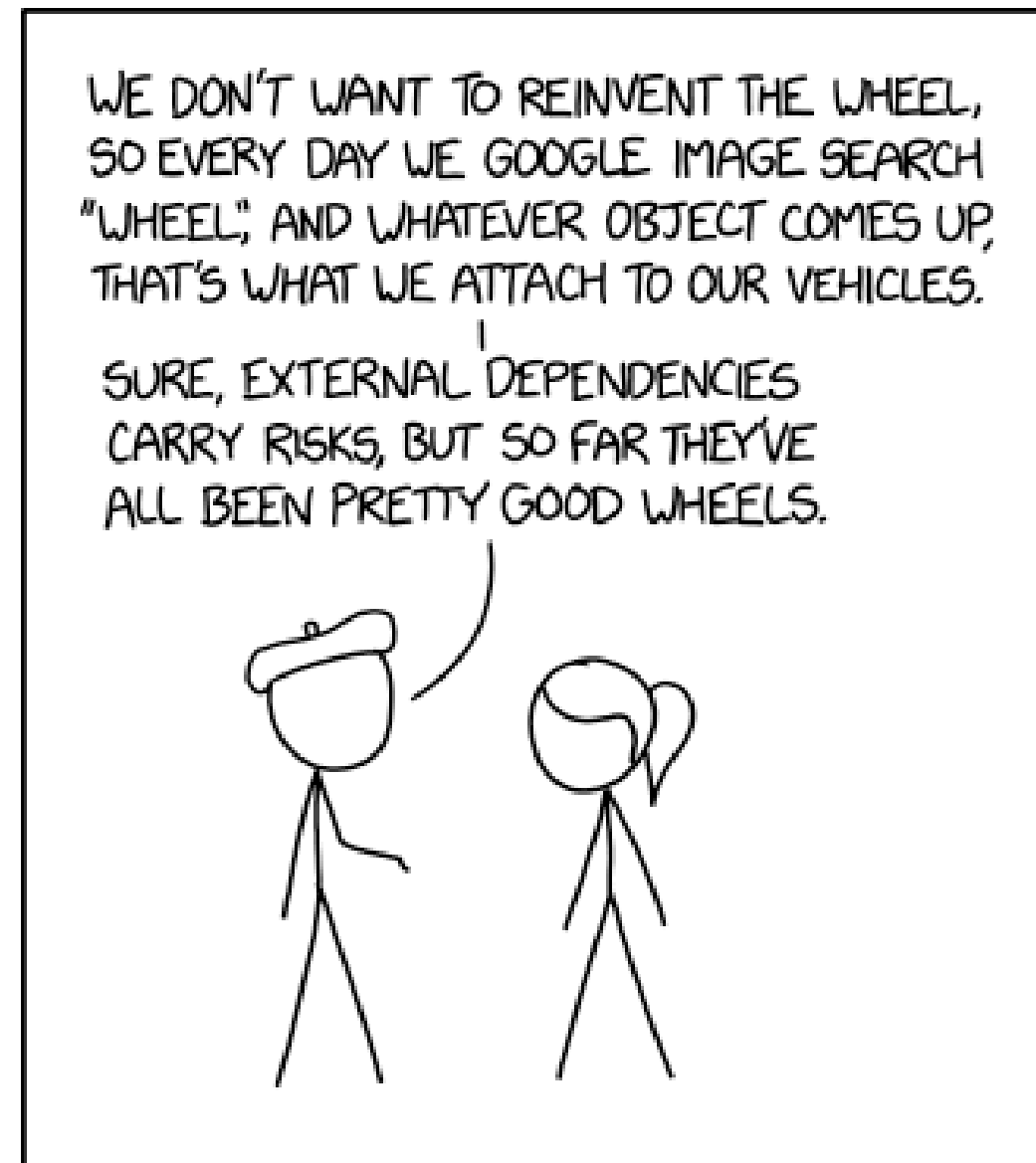
A Primer

The Problem

In A Nutshell

1. Modern applications depend on open source,
2. they contain many 3rd party components **and their vulnerabilities.**

"Reinvent The Wheel" by xkcd:
<https://xkcd.com/2140/>



The Problem



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In the last week, npm's security scans performed more than 3.4 million audits of JavaScript applications. Of those audits,


- 51% revealed a known security vulnerability
- 37% revealed a high severity vulnerability
- 11% revealed a critical vulnerability

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Vulnerabilities on NPM in 2018: <https://twitter.com/seldo/status/1021865857813630976>

The Problem

This problem has been recognized by the OWASP Top 10 Web Application Security Risks.

OWASP Top 10

"#9 Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities.
Components, such as libraries, frameworks, and other software modules, run with the same privileges as the application. If a vulnerable component is exploited, such an attack can facilitate serious data loss or server takeover. Applications and APIs using components with known vulnerabilities may undermine application defenses and enable various attacks and impacts." [owasp.org]

For more Information see:
[Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities](https://owasp.org/Top10/2013-A1-UsingComponentswithKnownVulnerabilities/)



Enter *OWASP Dependency Check*

A tool for mitigating OWASP Top 10 #9.

Checks dependencies for **Known Vulnerabilities**.

Developed by OWASP / Jeremy Long.

Full support for Java and .NET applications.

Experimental support for Python, Ruby, PHP and JavaScript/Node.js applications.

References:

- [Project site on owasp.org](https://owasp.org/dependency-check-project/)
- [Online documentation on github.io](https://github.com/OWASP/dependency-check.io)



Azure Pipeline Integration

Hosted Agents

Just add this tasks to your pipeline.

```
- task: dependency-check-build-task@5
  displayName: 'Dependency Check: Run'
  inputs:
    projectName: MyProject          # name of the project
    scanPath: path/to/scanPath      # path of artifacts to scan
    failOnCVSS: 0                   # threshold when to fail build
    format: 'HTML'                  # output format
    enableExperimental: false       # use experimental analyzers
    enableRetired: false            # use retired analyzers
    enableVerbose: false            # run in verbose mode
```



Azure Pipeline Integration

On-Premise Agents (1/2)

Dependency-Check requires JRE/JDK to run.

```
- task: JavaToolInstaller@0
  displayName: 'Dependency Check: Install OpenJDK'
  inputs:
    versionSpec: "13"
    jdkArchitectureOption: x64
    jdkSourceOption: LocalDirectory
    jdkFile: "path/to/openjdk-13.0.2_windows-x64_bin.zip"
    jdkDestinationDirectory: "DependencyCheck/Binaries/Externals"
    cleanDestinationDirectory: true

- task: dependency-check-build-task@5
  ...
```



Azure Pipeline Integration

On-Premise Agents (2/2)

.NET Analyzers require .NET Core.

```
- task: UseDotNet@2
  displayName: 'Dependency Check: Install .NET Core sdk'
  inputs:
    packageType: sdk
    version: 2.x
    installationPath: $(Agent.ToolsDirectory)/dotnet

- task: JavaToolInstaller@0
  ...

- task: dependency-check-build-task@5
  ...
```



Dependency Check Reports



Dependency-Check is an open source tool performing a best effort analysis of 3rd party dependencies; false positives and false negatives may exist in the analysis performed by the tool. Use of the tool and the reporting provided constitutes acceptance for use in an AS IS condition, and there are NO warranties, implied or otherwise, with regard to the analysis or its use. Any use of the tool and the reporting provided is at the user's risk. In no event shall the copyright holder or OWASP be held liable for any damages whatsoever arising out of or in connection with the use of this tool, the analysis performed, or the resulting report.

[How to read the report](#) | [Suppressing false positives](#) | [Getting Help](#): [google group](#) | [github issues](#)

Project: **DependencyCheck**

Scan Information ([show all](#)):

- *dependency-check* version: 1.4.4-SNAPSHOT
- *Report Generated On*: Oct 9, 2016 at 07:04:35 EDT
- *Dependencies Scanned*: 306 (289 unique)
- *Vulnerable Dependencies*: 36
- *Vulnerabilities Found*: 289
- *Vulnerabilities Suppressed*: 0
- ...

Display: [Showing Vulnerable Dependencies \(click to show all\)](#)

Dependency	CPE	GAV	Highest Severity	CVE Count	CPE Confidence	Evidence Count
ghostscript/configure.ac	cpe:/a:ghostscript:ghostscript:8.62		High	5	HIGHEST	4
axis-1.4.jar	cpe:/a:apache:axis:1.4	axis:axis:1.4	Medium	2	HIGHEST	17
axis2-kernel-1.4.1.jar	cpe:/a:apache:axis2:1.4.1	org.apache.axis2:axis2-kernel:1.4.1	High	6	HIGHEST	16
ffmpeg/ffmpeg_version.cmake	cpe:/a:ffmpeg:ffmpeg:55.18.102		High	3	LOW	3
cmake/OpenCVDetectPython.cmake	cpe:/a:python:python:-		High	11	LOW	1
commons-fileupload-1.2.1.jar	cpe:/a:apache:commons_fileupload:1.2.1	commons-fileupload:commons-fileupload:1.2.1	High	3	HIGHEST	23
commons-httpclient-3.1.jar	cpe:/a:apache:commons-httpclient:3.1 cpe:/a:apache:httpclient:3.1	commons-httpclient:commons-httpclient:3.1	Medium	2	LOW	20
daytrader-ear-2.1.7.ear:dt-ejb.jar	cpe:/a:apache:geronimo:2.1.7	org.apache.geronimo.daytrader:daytrader-ejb:2.1.7	High	2	HIGHEST	15
daytrader-ear-2.1.7.ear:streamer.jar	cpe:/a:apache:apache_test:2.1.7 cpe:/a:apache:geronimo:2.1.7	org.apache.geronimo.daytrader:daytrader-streamer:2.1.7	High	2	HIGHEST	17
daytrader-ear-2.1.7.ear:wsappclient.jar	cpe:/a:apache:geronimo:2.1.7	org.apache.geronimo.daytrader:daytrader-wsappclient:2.1.7	High	2	HIGHEST	17



Report header with a list of found vulnerabilities.

Dependency Check Reports

Dependencies

ghostscript/configure.ac

File Path: C:\Users\jerem\projects\DependencyCheck\dependency-check-core\target\test-classes\autoconf\ghostscript\configure.ac

MD5: a7e8bdc5c0dab93d042e522130b8cfc9

SHA1: 94d7acda632dc53ab91892dcd4b1ac9fc191e75

Evidence

Identifiers

cpe: cpe:/a:ghostscript:ghostscript:8.62

Confidence: HIGHEST

suppress

Published Vulnerabilities

CVE-2009-0792

suppress

Severity: High

CVSS Score: 9.3 (AV:N/AC:M/Au:N/C:C/I:C/A:C)

CWE: CWE-189 Numeric Errors

Multiple integer overflows in icc.c in the International Color Consortium (ICC) Format library (aka icclib), as used in Ghostscript 8.64 and earlier and Argyll Color Management System (CMS) 1.0.3 and earlier, allow context-dependent attackers to cause a denial of service (heap-based buffer overflow and application crash) or possibly execute arbitrary code by using a device file for a translation request that operates on a crafted image file and targets a certain "native color space," related to an ICC profile in a (1) PostScript or (2) PDF file with embedded images. NOTE: this issue exists because of an incomplete fix for CVE-2009-0583.

BUGTRAQ - 20090417 rPSA-2009-0060-1 ghostscript

CONFIRM - http://support.avaya.com/elmodocs2/security/ASA-2009-155.htm

CONFIRM - http://wiki.rpath.com/Advisories/rPSA-2009-0060

CONFIRM - https://bugzilla.redhat.com/show_bug.cgi?id=491853

FEDORA - FEDORA-2009-3430

FEDORA - FEDORA-2009-3435

FEDORA - FEDORA-2009-3709

FEDORA - FEDORA-2009-3710

The logo for OWASP Dependency-Check. It features a stylized 'D' composed of two concentric semi-circles, one grey and one orange. To the right of the 'D' is the text 'DEPENDENCY-CHECK' in a bold, sans-serif font, with 'DEPENDENCY-' in grey and '-CHECK' in orange.

Where do the links go?

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Dependency Check Reports

Identifiers

- **cpe:** [cpe:/a:ghostscript:ghostscript:8.62](#) *Confidence:HIGHEST* suppress

Published Vulnerabilities

[CVE-2009-0792](#) suppress

Severity: High
CVSS Score: 9.3 (AV:N/AC:M/Au:N/C:C/I:C/A:C)
CWE: CWE-189 Numeric Errors



What is CVE, CWE, CVSS, CPE?

National Vulnerability Database

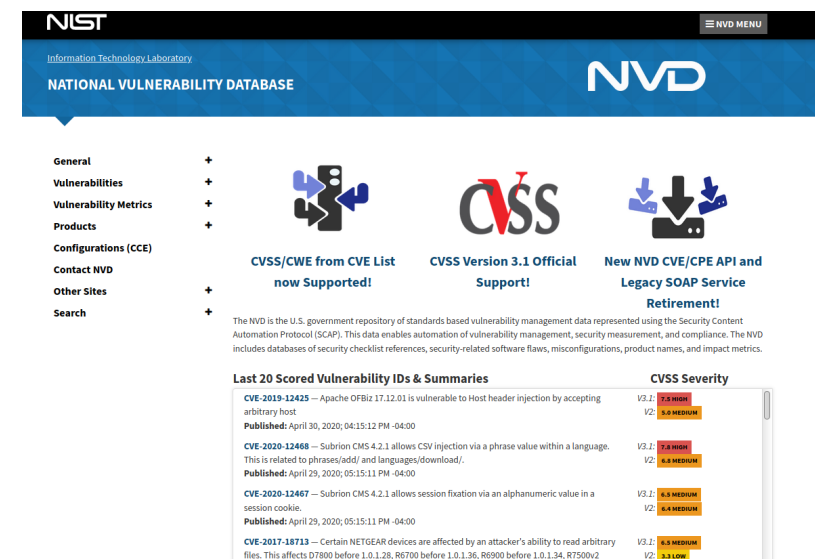
The main source for understanding reports of Dependency Check.

The US Government repository for *Security Content Automation Protocol* (SCAP) content.

SCAP Components

- Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE)
- Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS)
- Common Platform Enumeration (CPE)
- and [more](#).

NOTE: (1.) SCAP contains other components which are not important for now. (2.) CVE content includes Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) content which is not part of SCAP, AFAIK.



National Vulnerability Database

NVD Entry Sections

- **Title**
→ *Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE)*
- **Quick Info**
- **Current Description**
- **Severity**
→ *Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS)*
- **References to Advisories, Solutions, and Tools**
- **Weakness Enumeration**
→ *Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE)*
- **Known Affected Software Configurations**
→ *Common Platform Enumeration (CPE)*
- **Change History**

Example

<https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2011-4461>

Information Technology Laboratory

NATIONAL VULNERABILITY DATABASE

NVD

VULNERABILITIES

CVE-2011-4461 Detail

MODIFIED

This vulnerability has been modified since it was last analyzed by the NVD. It is awaiting reanalysis which may result in further changes to the information provided.

QUICK INFO

CVE Dictionary Entry:

CVE-2011-4461

NVD Published Date:

12/29/2011

NVD Last Modified:

03/08/2019

Current Description

Jetty 8.1.0.RC2 and earlier computes hash values for form parameters without restricting the ability to trigger hash collisions predictably, which allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (CPU consumption) by sending many crafted parameters.


Source: MITRE

[View Analysis Description](#)

Severity

CVSS Version 3.xCVSS Version 2.0

CVSS 3.x Severity and Metrics:

 NIST: NVD

Base Score: **3.3 Medium**

Vector: CVSS:3.0/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:L

References to Advisories, Solutions, and Tools

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Hyperlink	Resource
http://archives.neohapsus.com/archives/bugtraq/2011-12/0181.html	
http://marc.info/?l=bugtraq&m=143387688300736w=2	
http://www.kb.cert.org/vuls/id/903934	US Government Resource
http://www.nnuns.com/_downloads/advisory28122011.pdf	
http://www.ocert.org/advisories/ocert-2011-003.html	
http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/security-advisory/cpuaip2010v3-2985753.html	
http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/security-advisory/cpuj2018-4238247.html	
http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/topics/security/cpujan2015-1972971.html	
http://www.securitytracker.com/id/1026475	
http://www.ubuntu.com/usn/USN-1429-1	
https://exchange.xforce.ibmcloud.com/vulnerabilities/72017	
https://security.netapp.com/advisory/ntap-20190307-0004/	


Weakness Enumeration

CWE-ID	CWE Name	Source
CWE-310	Cryptographic Issues	NIST

Known Affected Software Configurations


Switch to CPE 2.2

Configuration 1 ([hide](#))


 cpe:2.3:oracle:sun_storage_common_array_manager:6.3.0:*:*:*:*:*

[Show Matching CPEs](#)

Configuration 2 ([hide](#))

 cpe:2.3:acmorthbay:jetty:1.0:*:*:*:*:*

[Show Matching CPEs](#)

 search:3:acmorthbay:jetty:1.0:*:*:*:*:*

Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures

Project Site: <https://cve.mitre.org/>

A system to identify publicly known vulnerabilities and exposures.

- **CVE Number**
identifies publicly known vulnerabilities and exposures
- **CVE Numbering Authority (CNA)**
assigns CVE Numbers
e.g. The MITRE Corporation, Microsoft, Red Hat and [others](#)
- **CVE Number Syntax**
CVE prefix + Year + Arbitrary Digits
- **CVE Number Example**
[CVE-2020-11022](#) (a jQuery XSS vulnerability)



Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures

CVE Numbers are only assigned to flaws which satisfy the following criteria.

A flaw must be:

1. **Independently Fixable**

The flaw can be fixed independently of any other bugs.

2. **Acknowledged by the affected vendor or Documented**

The flaw is either confirmed by the vendor or has a recorded prove.

3. **Affecting one codebase**

The flaw may impact many products, e.g white-labeling, but resides in a single codebase.

For further information see:

<https://www.redhat.com/en/topics/security/what-is-cve>



Common Weakness Enumeration

Project Site: <https://cwe.mitre.org/>

A category system for software weaknesses and vulnerabilities.

The CWE system is a community project which aims to understand, identify, fix and prevent common security flaws in software and to create automated tools helping with these objectives.



- **CWE Number**

identifies a category of known weaknesses or a concrete known weakness in software

- **CWE Number Syntax**

CWE prefix + Arbitrary Digits

- **CWE Number Examples**

- *CWE Category:* [CWE-1211](#) Authentication Errors
- *CWE Weakness:* [CWE-295](#) Improper Certificate Validation

The MITRE Corporation

The CVE and CWE systems are maintained and sponsored by [The MITRE Corporation](https://www.mitre.org/):

- Project Site: <https://www.mitre.org/>
- Non-Profit Organization
- Primary CNA
- Funded by various US Government institutions:
 - Dpt. of Homeland Security
 - Dpt. of Defense
 - Federal Aviation Administration
 - Internal Revenue Service
 - Department of Veterans Affairs.
 - National Institute of Standards and Technology
 - Administrative Office of the United States Courts
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

The MITRE logo is displayed in a large, bold, blue sans-serif font.

FYI: "MITRE" has no meaning, although it originated around the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Common Vulnerability Scoring System

Project Site: <https://www.first.org/cvss/>

A system for calculating the severity of vulnerabilities.

- **CVSS Vector**

describes *exploitability* and *impact* of a vulnerability

- **Example**

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

- **CVSS Score**

describes the approximate severity of a vulnerability
floating point value between 0 (good) and 10 (bad)

- **Example**

Base Score 6.9 (medium severity)



Common Vulnerability Scoring System

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

CVSS Version: 3.1



Metric	Value	Category
Attack Vector (AV)	Network (N), Adjacent Network (A), Local (L), Physical (P)	Exploitability
Access Complexity (AC)	Low (L), High (H)	Exploitability
Privileges Required (PR)	None (N), Low (L), High (H)	Exploitability
User Interaction (UI)	None (N), Required (R)	Exploitability
(Authorization) Scope (S)	Unchanged (U), Changed (C)	Exploitability
Confidentiality Impact (C)	None (N), Low (L), High (H)	Impact
Integrity Impact (I)	None (N), Low (L), High (H)	Impact
Availability Impact (A)	None (N), Low (L), High (H)	Impact

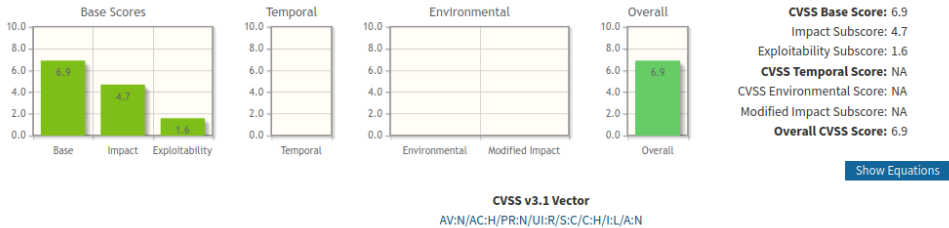
Common Vulnerability Scoring System

CVSS Version 3.0 CVSS Version 3.1

Common Vulnerability Scoring System Calculator CVE-2020-11022

Source: GitHub, Inc.

This page shows the components of the CVSS score for example and allows you to refine the CVSS base score. Please read the CVSS standards guide to fully understand how to score CVSS vulnerabilities and to interpret CVSS scores. The scores are computed in sequence such that the Base Score is used to calculate the Temporal Score and the Temporal Score is used to calculate the Environmental Score.



Base Score Metrics

Exploitability Metrics

Attack Vector (AV)*
Network (AV:N) Adjacent Network (AV:A) Local (AV:L) Physical (AV:P)

Attack Complexity (AC)*
Low (AC:L) High (AC:H)

Privileges Required (PR)*
None (PR:N) Low (PR:L) High (PR:H)

User Interaction (UI)*
None (UI:N) Required (UI:R)

Scope (S)*
Unchanged (S:U) Changed (S:C)

Impact Metrics

Confidentiality Impact (C)*
None (C:N) Low (C:L) High (C:H)

Integrity Impact (I)*
None (I:N) Low (I:L) High (I:H)

Availability Impact (A)*
None (A:N) Low (A:L) High (A:H)

* - All base metrics are required to generate a base score.

This example of a CVSS calculation for CVE-2020-11022 can be found on [NVD](#).

Common Platform Enumeration

Project Site: <https://nvd.nist.gov/products/cpe>

A naming system to uniquely identify information technology systems (hardware and software).

Originally developed by MITRE (<https://cpe.mitre.org/>), now part of the *Security Content Automation Protocol* (SCAP) maintained by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).



- **CPE Well-Formed Name (WFN)**
uniquely identifies an information technology system (hardware or software)
- **CPE URI**
represents a CPE WFN

NOTE: *CPE WFNs are not really important for working with Dependency Check.*

Common Platform Enumeration

■ CPE URI Syntax

■ *CPE 2.2:*

```
cpe:/{part}:{vendor}:{product}:{version}:  
{update}:{edition}:{language}
```

■ *CPE 2.3:*

```
cpe:2.3:{part}:{vendor}:{product}:{version}:  
{update}:{edition}:{language}:{sw_edition}:  
{target_sw}:{target_hw}:{other}
```

■ CPE URI Examples

■ *CPE 2.2:*

```
cpe:/a:jquery:jquery:1.0.1
```

■ *CPE 2.3:*

```
cpe:2.3:a:jquery:jquery:1.0.1:*:*:*:*:*:*:*
```



THE CPE Naming Specification Version 2.3 can be found [here](#).

Common Platform Enumeration

Important CPE Sections

CPE 2.2:

```
cpe:/{part}:{vendor}:{product}:{version}  
cpe:/a:jquery:jquery:1.0.1
```

CPE 2.3:

```
cpe:2.3:{part}:{vendor}:{product}:{version}  
cpe:2.3:a:jquery:jquery:1.0.1:*:*:*:*:*:*
```



URI Section	Value	Description
part	a	applications (a), operating systems (o), hardware (h)
vendor	jquery	name of the vendor
product	jquery	name of the product
version	1.0.1	version of the product

How It Works

1. Apply Analyzers

Dependency Check applies multiple *Analyzers* to all dependencies, i.e. artifacts under the scan path.

2. Extract Evidence

Analyzers extract *Evidence*, e.g. file name, manifest, POM, package names, etc.

3. Determine CPE

Evidence is grouped into *Vendor*, *Product* and *Version* and determine CPE.

4. Match CPE

Match CPE against the CVE database.

Important: The determined CPE has a confidence level equal to the lowest confidence level of used evidence to create it.

More information can be found [here](#).



How It Works

Evidence		
Source	Name	Value
central	artifactid	axis
central	groupid	axis
central	groupid	org.apache.axis
central	version	1.4
file	name	axis
file	version	1.4
jar	package name	apache
jar	package name	axis
manifest: org/apache/axis	Implementation-Title	Apache Axis
manifest: org/apache/axis	Implementation-Vendor	Apache Web Services
manifest: org/apache/axis	Implementation-Version	1.4 1855 April 22 2006
pom	artifactid	axis
pom	description	An Implementation of the SOAP ("Simple Object Access Protocol") submission to W3C.
pom	groupid	axis
pom	name	Axis Web Services
pom	url	http://ws.apache.org/axis
pom	version	1.4



Due to how the matching process works Dependency Check may produce:

- **False Positives**
A matching CVE has nothing to do with your project.
- **False Negatives**
A matching CVE is not found.

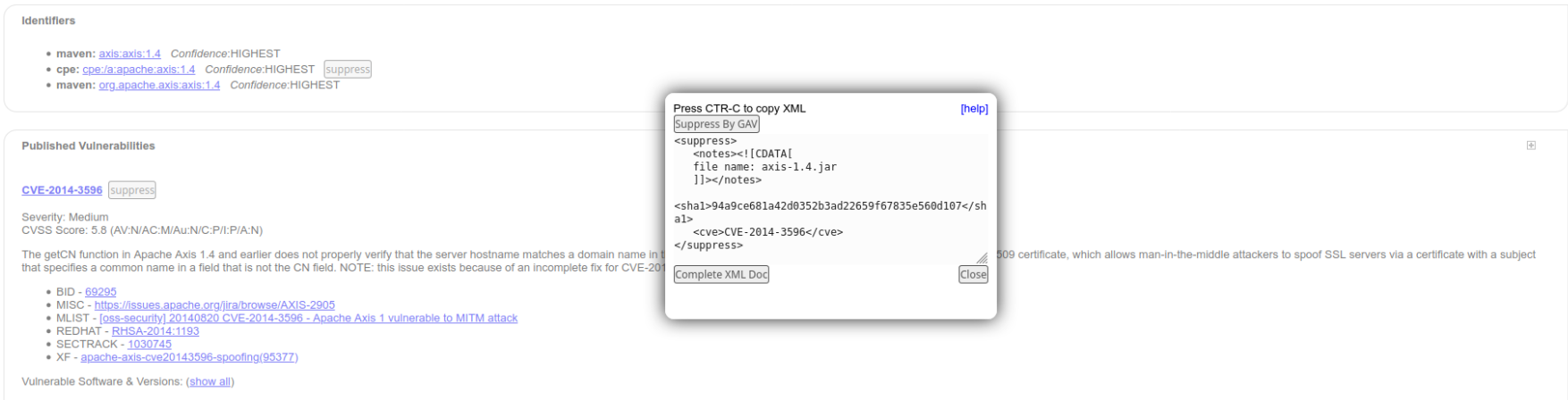
Dealing with False Positives (1/2)

```
- task: dependency-check-build-task@5
  displayName: 'Dependency Check: Run'
  inputs:
    ...
    suppressionPath: 'path/to/DependencyCheck/Supressions.xml' # add a supression file
    ...
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<suppressions xmlns="https://jeremylong.github.io/DependencyCheck/dependency-suppression.1.3.xsd">
  <suppress until="2020-01-01Z">
    <notes><![CDATA[
      file name: some.jar
    ]]></notes>
    <sha1>66734244CE86857018B023A8C56AE0635C56B6A1</sha1>
    <cpe>cpe:/a:apache:struts:2.0.0</cpe>
  </suppress>
</suppressions>
```

Add a suppression file to conditionally ignore [False Positives](#).

Dealing with False Positives (2/2)



Suppressions can be generated from HTML reports.

Suppressions can be configured for SHA1 Hashes, CVE Numbers, CPE URIs and more.

Suppressions can also be configured with an expiration date.

Dealing with False Negatives

```
- task: dependency-check-build-task@5
  displayName: 'Dependency Check: Run'
  inputs:
    ...
    additionalArguments: '--hints "$(Build.SourcesDirectory)/path/to/DependencyCheck/Hints.xml"' # add a hints file
    ...
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<hints xmlns="https://jeremylong.github.io/DependencyCheck/dependency-hint.1.1.xsd">
  <hint>
    <given>
      <fileName contains="my-thelib-.*\.jar" regex="true" caseSensitive="true"/>
    </given>
    <add>
      <evidence type="product" source="hint analyzer" name="product" value="thelib" confidence="HIGH"/>
    </add>
  </hint>
</hints>
```

Add a hints file to conditionally enrich extracted evidence to reduce [False Negatives](#).

Questions?

Thanks!