

Finding Vulnerability using Nessus Assignment

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Windows 2008

High

Oracle GlassFish Server Path Traversal

Description

The instance of Oracle GlassFish Server running on the remote host is affected by an authenticated and unauthenticated path traversal vulnerability. Remote attacker can exploit this issue, via a specially crafted HTTP request, to access arbitrary files on the remote host.

CVE-2017-1000028

<https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2017-1000028>

The screenshot shows the Nessus interface for a scan titled "Windows-2008-7/8/23 / Oracle Glassfish Server (Multiple Issues)". The main table lists two vulnerabilities, both of which are "HIGH" severity and belong to the "CGI abuses" family. A red box highlights the "Family" column. The right sidebar provides scan details, including the policy "Advanced Scan", status "Completed", and severity base "CVSS v3.0". A donut chart shows the distribution of vulnerabilities by severity, with "High" being the most prominent category.

Sev	CVSS	VPR	Name	Family	Count
HIGH	7.5	4.4	Oracle GlassFish Serv...	CGI abuses	1
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Scan Details

- Policy: Advanced Scan
- Status: Completed
- Severity Base: CVSS v3.0
- Scanner: Local Scanner
- Start: Today at 3:09 PM
- End: Today at 3:32 PM
- Elapsed: 23 minutes

Vulnerabilities

- Critical
- High
- Medium
- Low
- Info

Summary:

The CVE-2017-1000028 vulnerability refers to a security flaw found in Oracle's GlassFish Server Open Source Edition version 4.1. This vulnerability allows an attacker to perform a type of attack called Directory Traversal.

Directory Traversal is a technique used by attackers to access files and directories on a web server that should not be publicly accessible. By exploiting this vulnerability, an attacker can manipulate a specially crafted HTTP GET request to bypass security restrictions and access files or directories outside the intended scope. This could potentially lead to unauthorized disclosure of sensitive information, unauthorized modifications, or even a complete compromise of the system.

It is important to fix this vulnerability because it poses a security risk to the affected system. By exploiting this flaw, an attacker can gain unauthorized access to sensitive files, compromise the server's integrity, and potentially launch further attacks. Fixing the vulnerability involves patching or updating the affected software to a version that addresses the security issue. This helps to ensure the system's security and protect it from potential attacks.

Fixes: Check for available patches or updates. Visit the official Oracle website or the GlassFish Server documentation to check for any available patches, updates, or security advisories specifically addressing the CVE-2017-1000028 vulnerability. Look for any recommended actions or instructions provided by Oracle.

Windows XP

Critical

Microsoft Windows XP Unsupported Installation Detection

Description

The remote host is running Microsoft Windows XP. Support for this operating system by Microsoft ended April 8th, 2014.

Lack of support implies that no new security patches for the product will be released by the vendor. As a result, it is likely to contain security vulnerabilities. Furthermore, Microsoft is unlikely to investigate or acknowledge reports of vulnerabilities.

CVE: Not specified but important.

<https://techcommunity.microsoft.com/t5/storage-at-microsoft/stop-using-smb1/ba-p/425858>

<https://www.cisa.gov/news-events/alerts/2017/01/16/smb-security-best-practices>

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WindowsXP-7-8-23

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Filter Search Vulnerabilities 41 Vulnerabilities

Sev	CVSS	VPR	Name	Family	Count		
CRITICAL	10.0		Microsoft Windows X...	Windows	1	🔄	✎
CRITICAL	9.8		SSL Version 2 and 3 P...	Service detection	1	🔄	✎
MIXED	...	...	PHP (Multiple Is...	CGI abuses	46	🔄	✎
MIXED	...	...	Apache HTTP Se...	Web Servers	38	🔄	✎
MIXED	...	...	OpenSSL (Multi...	Web Servers	34	🔄	✎
CRITICAL	...	...	Apache Httpd (...	Web Servers	12	🔄	✎
MIXED	...	...	Microsoft Windo...	Windows	5	🔄	✎
HIGH	7.5 *		XAMPP Example Pag...	CGI abuses	2	🔄	✎
HIGH	7.5	5.1	SSL Certificate Signe...	General	1	🔄	✎

Scan Details

Policy: Advanced Scan
 Status: Completed
 Severity Base: CVSS v3.0 ✎
 Scanner: Local Scanner
 Start: Today at 3:10 PM
 End: Today at 3:33 PM
 Elapsed: 22 minutes

Vulnerabilities

- Critical
- High
- Medium
- Low
- Info

Scans Settings ? 🔔 dez 👤

WindowsXP-7-8-23 / Plugin #73182

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Hosts 1 **Vulnerabilities 41** Remediations 3 History 1

CRITICAL Microsoft Windows XP Unsupported Installation Detection < > ✎

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Solution

Upgrade to a version of Windows that is currently supported.

See Also

<http://www.nessus.org/u72f80aef2>
<http://www.nessus.org/u7321523eb>
<https://blogs.technet.microsoft.com/illecab/2016/09/16/stop-using-smb1/>
<http://www.nessus.org/u78dcab5e4>

Output

No output recorded.

To see debug logs, please visit individual host

Port	Hosts
N/A	10.0.2.6

Plugin Details

Severity: Critical
 ID: 73182
 Version: 1.20
 Type: combined
 Family: Windows
 Published: March 25, 2014
 Modified: September 22, 2020

Risk Information

Risk Factor: Critical
CVSS v3.0 Base Score 10.0
 CVSS v3.0 Vector: CVSS:3.0/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:C/C:H/I:H/A:H
 CVSS v3.0 Temporal Vector: CVSS:3.0/E:P/RL:O/RC:C
 CVSS v3.0 Temporal Score: 9.0
 CVSS v2.0 Base Score: 10.0
 CVSS v2.0 Temporal Score: 7.8
 CVSS v2.0 Vector: CVSS2#AV:N/AC:L/Au:N/C:C/I:L/C:A/C
 CVSS v2.0 Temporal Vector: CVSS2#E:POC/RL:OF/RC:C

Summary:

The description states that the remote host (a computer system) is running Microsoft Windows XP, which is an outdated operating system. It further mentions that support for Windows XP ended on April 8th, 2014.

When an operating system is no longer supported, it means that the manufacturer (in this case, Microsoft) no longer releases security patches or updates to address vulnerabilities or bugs. As a result, the operating system is more likely to have security vulnerabilities that can be exploited by attackers.

Fixes: The solution to this issue is to upgrade to a currently supported version of the Windows operating system. By upgrading to a newer version, you will have access to the latest security patches, updates, and support from Microsoft. This helps to ensure that your system remains protected against known vulnerabilities and keeps your data and information secure.

Metasploitable Linux 2

Critical

NFS Exported Share Information Disclosure

Description

At least one of the NFS shares exported by the remote server could be mounted by the scanning host. An attacker may be able to leverage this to read (and possibly write) files on remote host.

CVE: CVE-1999-0554, CVE-1999-0211, CVE-1999-0170

<https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-1999-0554>

<https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-1999-0211>

<https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-1999-0170>

The screenshot shows a security scanner interface for a host named 'meta-linux-7-8-23'. The interface includes a navigation bar with 'Scans' and 'Settings', and a user profile 'dez'. Below the host name, there are buttons for 'Configure', 'Audit Trail', 'Launch', 'Report', and 'Export'. A summary bar shows 'Hosts 1', 'Vulnerabilities 69', 'Remediations 3', and 'History 1'. A search bar is present with the text '69 Vulnerabilities'. The main table lists vulnerabilities with columns for severity, CVSS, VPR, Name, Family, and Count. A red arrow points to the 'NFS Exported Share Information Disclosure' vulnerability, which is marked as 'CRITICAL' and belongs to the 'RPC' family. To the right, the 'Scan Details' section shows 'Policy: Advanced Scan', 'Status: Completed', 'Severity Base: CVSS v3.0', 'Scanner: Local Scanner', 'Start: Today at 3:15 PM', 'End: Today at 3:38 PM', and 'Elapsed: 23 minutes'. Below this is a 'Vulnerabilities' donut chart showing the distribution of severity levels: Critical (red), High (orange), Medium (yellow), Low (green), and Info (blue).

Sev	CVSS	VPR	Name	Family	Count
CRITICAL	10.0 *	5.9	NFS Exported Share I...	RPC	1
CRITICAL	10.0		Unix Operating Syste...	General	1
CRITICAL	10.0 *	7.4	UnrealIRCd Backdoor...	Backdoors	1
CRITICAL	10.0 *		VNC Server 'passwor...	Gain a shell remotely	1
CRITICAL	9.8		Bind Shell Backdoor ...	Backdoors	1
MIXED	...	...	Apache Tomcat (...)	Web Servers	4
CRITICAL	...	...	SSL (Multiple Iss...	Gain a shell remotely	3
MIXED	...	...	SSL (Multiple Iss...	Service detection	3
HIGH	7.5		NFS Shares World Re...	RPC	1

The screenshot shows a vulnerability scanner interface for a host named 'meta-linux-7-8-23 / Plugin #11356'. The main vulnerability is 'NFS Exported Share Information Disclosure', which is marked as 'CRITICAL'. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Description:** At least one of the NFS shares exported by the remote server could be mounted by the scanning host. An attacker may be able to leverage this to read (and possibly write) files on remote host.
- Solution:** Configure NFS on the remote host so that only authorized hosts can mount its remote shares.
- Output:** A terminal-style output showing the contents of the root directory, including 'bin' and 'boot' folders. Below the output, a table lists the port and host details:

Port	Hosts
2049 / udp / rpc-nfs	10.0.2.5
- Plugin Details:** Severity: Critical, ID: 11356, Version: 1.20, Type: remote, Family: RPC, Published: March 12, 2003, Modified: September 17, 2018.
- VPR Key Drivers:** Threat Recency: No recorded events, Threat Intensity: Very Low, Exploit Code Maturity: Unproven, Age of Vuln: 730 days +, Product Coverage: Low, CVSSv3 Impact Score: 5.9, Threat Sources: No recorded events.
- Risk Information:** Vulnerability Priority Rating (VPR): 5.9, Risk Factor: Critical, CVSS v2.0 Base Score: 10.0, CVSS v2.0 Vector: CVSS2#AV:N/AC:L/Au:N/C:C

Summary:

This vulnerability described is related to NFS (Network File System) on a remote server. NFS allows files to be shared and accessed over a network. The vulnerability suggests that at least one of the NFS shares on the remote server is configured in a way that allows it to be mounted by the scanning host (the system performing the vulnerability scan). This means that an attacker who can access the scanning host may be able to read and possibly modify files on the remote server.

Fixes: To fix this vulnerability, you need to configure NFS on the remote server to restrict access to authorized hosts only. By putting proper access controls, you can ensure that only trusted systems are allowed to mount the NFS shares and access the files.

- **Review and update the NFS configuration:** Open the NFS configuration file using a text editor and review the existing entries. Make sure that only the necessary shares are exported and that the access permissions are properly set.
- **Restrict access to authorized hosts:** Modify the NFS configuration to specify the IP addresses or hostnames of the authorized systems that are allowed to mount the NFS shares. Remove any overly permissive settings that could allow unauthorized access.

In Closing

Overall, I would like to say that this was a very good assignment. The videos were very helpful in completing this assignment. I would like to reiterate that this could be a full-time job, both for ensuring the infrastructure security and for the person carrying out the attacks. Having all these tools makes things easier, but if you don't know which tools to use, you won't be able to protect the company.

Therefore, it would be easier for a small company to hire or outsource this cybersecurity work to companies. In order to search for all these vulnerabilities, you really need to stay on top of everything. You have to constantly search for systems and perform scans. Then, you have to go to the server and patch any vulnerabilities you find. This is very important, which is why outsourcing or having a dedicated team solely focused on this is beneficial. It can be quite intimidating, so looking into this is very important to ensure security because it only takes a small window of opportunity for an attack to occur.

I must say that after taking this class with you in the spring and now again, my eyes have been opened to so much. I want to make sure that the company I currently work for or any future company I work for can utilize these tools that you have been showing us. I think this is great, and it's amazing to see these scans in action.