Asterisk Project Security Advisory - AST-2009-005

Product	Asterisk	
Summary	Remote Crash Vulnerability in SIP channel driver	
Nature of Advisory	Denial of Service	
Susceptibility	Remote Unauthenticated Sessions	
Severity	Critical in 1.6.1; minor in lesser versions	
Exploits Known	No	
Reported On	July 28, 2009	
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Posted On	August 10, 2009	
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CVE Name	CVE-2009-2726	

Description	On certain implementations of libc, the scanf family of functions uses an unbounded amount of stack memory to repeatedly allocate string buffers prior to conversion to the target type. Coupled with Asterisk's allocation of thread stack sizes that are smaller than the default, an attacker may exhaust stack memory in the SIP stack network thread by presenting excessively long numeric strings in various fields.
	Note that while this potential vulnerability has existed in Asterisk for a very long time, it is only potentially exploitable in 1.6.1 and above, since those versions are the first that have allowed SIP packets to exceed 1500 bytes total, which does not permit strings that are large enough to crash Asterisk. (The number strings presented to us by the security researcher were approximately 32,000 bytes long.)
	Additionally note that while this can crash Asterisk, execution of arbitrary code is not possible with this vector.

Resolution	Upgrade Asterisk to one of the releases listed below.
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Affected Versions			
Product	Release Series		
Asterisk Open Source	1.2.x	All versions prior to 1.2.34	
Asterisk Open Source	1.4.x	All versions prior to 1.4.26.1	
Asterisk Open Source	1.6.0.x	All versions prior to 1.6.0.13	
Asterisk Open Source	1.6.1.x	All versions prior to 1.6.1.4	
Asterisk Addons	1.2.x	Not affected	
Asterisk Addons	1.4.x	Not affected	
Asterisk Addons	1.6.0.x	Not affected	
Asterisk Addons	1.6.1.x	Not affected	
Asterisk Business Edition	A.x.x	All versions	
Asterisk Business Edition	B.x.x	All versions prior to B.2.5.9	
Asterisk Business Edition	C.2.x	All versions prior to C.2.4.1	
Asterisk Business Edition	C.3.x	All versions prior to C.3.1	
AsteriskNOW 1.5		Not affected	
s800i (Asterisk Appliance) 1.2.x		All versions prior to 1.3.0.3	

Corrected In		
Product	Release	
Asterisk Open Source	1.2.34	
Asterisk Open Source	1.4.26.1	
Asterisk Open Source	1.6.0.13	
Asterisk Open Source	1.6.1.4	
Asterisk Business Edition	B.2.5.9	
Asterisk Business Edition	C.2.4.1	
Asterisk Business Edition	C.3.1	
s800i (Asterisk Appliance)	1.3.0.3	

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Patches	
Link	Branch
http://downloads.digium.com/pub/security/AST-2009-005-1.2.diff.txt	1.2
http://downloads.digium.com/pub/security/AST-2009-005-1.4.diff.txt	1.4
http://downloads.digium.com/pub/security/AST-2009-005-trunk.diff.txt	trunk
http://downloads.digium.com/pub/security/AST-2009-005-1.6.0.diff.txt	1.6.0
http://downloads.digium.com/pub/security/AST-2009-005-1.6.1.diff.txt	1.6.1
http://downloads.digium.com/pub/security/AST-2009-005-1.6.2.diff.txt	1.6.2

Links	http://labs.mudynamics.com/advisories/MU-200908-01.txt

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Revision History			
Date	Editor	Revisions Made	
August 10, 2009	Tilghman Lesher	Initial release	
August 13, 2009	Tilghman Lesher	Changed 1.6.0 version to 1.6.0.13	