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Advisory – Microsoft GDI+ Integer division by zero flaw handling .ICO files
VU#290961
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Introduction

The installation that this flaw has been tested on is a Windows XP Service Pack 2 with all patches applied.

Current Severity rating: Low risk
CVSS Vector: (AV:L/AC:L/Au:NR/C:N/I:N/A:P/B:N)

Timeline of public disclosure

- 02-04-2007 Vulnerability discovered.
- 17-04-2007 Research ended.
- 18-04-2007 CERT/CC informed
- 18-04-2007 Recieved VU#290961 from CERT/CC
- 25-04-2007 Recieved CVE-2007-2237 from CERT/CC
- 03-05-2007 Reported to Microsoft MSRC (secure@microsoft.com)
- 03-05-2007 Received response from MSRC (Case: 7402)
- 31-05-2007 Received response from MSRC – Flaw will be fixed in next Service Pack
- 31-05-2007 Information released on CSIS Platinum mailing list
- 06-06-2007 Public release

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File description

Program file

File name:	GdiPlus.dll
Company Name	Microsoft Corporation
Program version:	5.1.3102.2180
File version:	5.1.3102.2180 (xpsp_sp2_rtm.040803-2158)
Description:	Microsoft GDI+
MD5 Checksum:	78bdc89c5d9e206209bec5a5a73f91f7
SHA-1 Checksum:	5f6eb616b854cc698451f96bbe9cf5049f25245e

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Technical details

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The consequence of this flaw is a Denial of Service condition and doing a restart of the explorer process.

Further exploitation has not been verified.

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The flaw is in the "**InfoHeader**" → "**Height**" value within the malformed .ICO file, when inserting 0x00000000 at byte location 31 to 34.

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Disassembly of the affected area

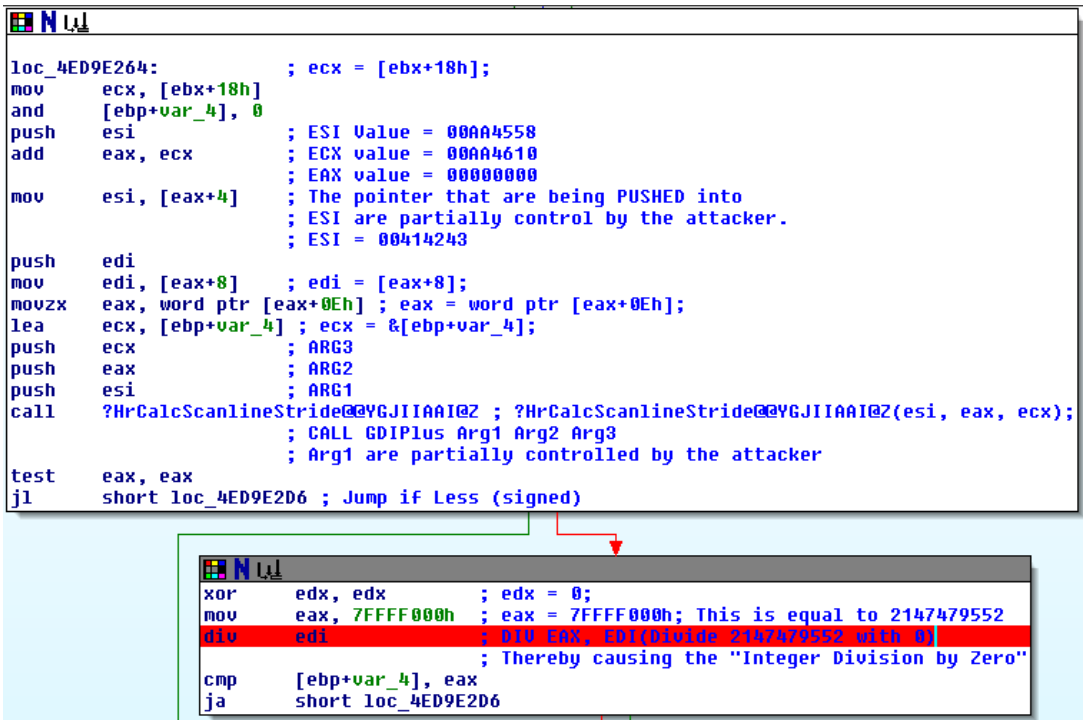
The flaw goes into the following memory area and throws the exception "Integer division by zero" at 4ED9E28F, Causing a restart of the explorer process.

Below is the vulnerable function:

```
.text:4ED9E209 ; private: int __thiscall GpIcoCodec::IsValidDIB(unsigned int)
.text:4ED9E209 ?IsValidDIB@GpIcoCodec@@AAEHI@Z proc near
.text:4ED9E209                                 ; CODE XREF: GpIcoCodec::ReadHeaders(void)+188p
```

"Integer division by Zero"

```
4ED9E28A  mov   eax,7FFFF000h  ; 7FFFF000h = 2147479552
4ED9E28F  div   eax,edi        ; 2147479552 / 0
```



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Icon File format

Source: http://www.daubnet.com/formats/ICO.html

Name	Size	Description
Reserved	2 byte	=0
Type	2 byte	=1
Count	2 byte	Number of Icons in this file
Entries	Count * 16	List of icons
Width	1 byte	Cursor Width (16, 32 or 64)
Height	1 byte	Cursor Height (16, 32 or 64 , most commonly = Width)
ColorCount	1 byte	Number of Colors (2,16, 0=256)
Reserved	1 byte	=0
Planes	2 byte	=1
BitCount	2 byte	bits per pixel (1, 4, 8)
SizeInBytes	4 byte	Size of (InfoHeader + ANDbitmap + XORbitmap)
FileOffset	4 byte	FilePos, where InfoHeader starts
repeated Count times		
InfoHeader	40 bytes	Variant of BMP InfoHeader
Size	4 bytes	Size of InfoHeader structure = 40
Width	4 bytes	Icon Width
Height	**4 bytes**	**Icon Height (added height of XOR-Bitmap and AND-Bitmap)**
Planes	2 bytes	number of planes = 1
BitCount	2 bytes	bits per pixel = 1, 4, 8
Compression	4 bytes	Type of Compression = 0
ImageSize	4 bytes	Size of Image in Bytes = 0 (uncompressed)
XpixelsPerM	4 bytes	unused = 0
YpixelsPerM	4 bytes	unused = 0
ColorsUsed	4 bytes	unused = 0
ColorsImportant	4 bytes	unused = 0
Colors	NumberOfColors * 4 bytes	Color Map for XOR-Bitmap
Red	1 byte	red component
Green	1 byte	green component
Blue	1 byte	blue component
reserved	1 byte	=0
repeated NumberOfColors times		
XORBitmap	see below	bitmap
ANDBitmap	see below	monochrome bitmap

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Analysis

Exploitation of the flaw will at least result in a Denial of Service condition against the program using the GDI+ component, and doing a restart of the explorer process. Further code execution has not been verified.

Detection

CSIS Security Group has confirmed this vulnerability in Windows XP with latest service pack and patch level.

Windows 2000 does not look to be vulnerable to this flaw.

Microsoft 2003 and Vista not tested.

Recovery

Currently this will kill the current running explorer.exe, however if code execution is possible it will not be possible to see if the flaw are exploited.

Exploit

Exploitation of the flaw can be triggered if a malformed icon is located in a directory that the user browses.

Proof of concept

A Proof of Concept exploit have been made.

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Workaround

There are currently no known workaround available.

Fix

The issue has already been resolved in Windows Vista and in the upcoming release of Windows Server 2008, formerly known as Windows Longhorn Server. Microsoft will address the reported issue in the next Service Pack for the affected supported platforms.

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