Shaping the Future: Investing Wisely in Long-Term Open Source Development with "Five for the Future"
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A project some random person in Nebraska has been thanklessly maintaining since 2003.
CVE-2021-44228 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.

Description

Apache Log4j2 2.0.1-beta9 through 2.15.0 (excluding security releases 2.12.2, 2.12.3, and 2.13.1) JNDI features used in configuration, log messages, and parameters do not protect against attacker controlled LDAP and other JNDI related endpoints. An attacker who can control log messages or log message parameters can execute arbitrary code loaded from LDAP servers when message lookup substitution is enabled. From log4j 2.15.0, this behavior has been disabled by default. From version 2.16.0 (along with 2.12.2, 2.12.3, and 2.13.1), this functionality has been completely removed. Note that this vulnerability is specific to log4j-core and does not affect log4net, log4cxx, or other Apache Logging Services projects.

Severity

CVSS Version 3.x CVSS Version 2.0

CVSS 3.x Severity and Metrics:

NVD: NVD
Base Score: CRITICAL

NVD Analysts use publicly available information to associate vector strings and CVSS scores. We also display any CVSS information provided within the CVE List from the CNA.
Log4j maintainers have been working sleeplessly on mitigation measures; fixes, docs, CVE, replies to inquiries, etc. Yet nothing is stopping people to bash us, for work we aren't paid for, for a feature we all dislike yet needed to keep due to backward compatibility concerns.
Hi there! I am Volkan, an avid free and open-source software contributor. 🙏 Are you using PostgreSQL, Nagios¹, or Log4j? Then you are using something I have contributed to! 🙅 (There are dozens of more! 😜) I became a member of the Apache Logging Services (log4j, log4jxx, etc.) PMC in 2020. Since then, my focus has been shifted mostly to Log4j. I reply to Log4j-related questions in StackOverflow and JIRA, do bug triage, review & accept merge requests, fix bugs, improve documentation, enhance build system, etc. Regular maintainer stuff. Next to that, I proudly hold the gates for the JSON Template Layout.

There are plenty of fantastic stuff I want to contribute to Log4j! There are also plenty of stuff that I want to either remove or rewrite too; redundant modules, legacy features, deprecated documentation, unreliable build system, old fashioned website, ... you name it. Though it is difficult to pursue such ambitious goals by spreading the work into evenings, after putting kids to sleep, cleaning up the dishes, etc. Occasionally, I use my vacations from work. With your generous sponsorship, I will be able to take more days off and spend more time on the project.

¹ Nagios uses libpqeue.
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I am a Member of the Apache Software Foundation and am a PMC member of Apache Commons, Apache Flume, Apache Logging Services, and Apache Maven. I created the initial versions of Apache Log4j 2 and continue to focus most of my efforts there providing support and enhancements to try to make Apache Log4j 2 the best logging framework for Java developers.

I currently have a full time job as a Software Architect. I work on Log4j and other open source projects in my spare time and so I typically work on those issues that are of most interest to me. I have always dreamed of working on open source full time and would love your support to enable that to happen.

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MariaDB is funded by 13 investors. RP Ventures and OnCorps are the most recent investors.

MariaDB has acquired 3 organizations. Their most recent acquisition was CubeWerx on Aug 18, 2022.
External funding

NGINX

Highlights

- Funding Rounds: 5
- Lead Investors: 5
- Investors: 12

Funding

NGINX has raised a total of $84M in funding over 5 rounds. Their latest funding was raised on Jun 20, 2018 from a Series C round.

NGINX is funded by 12 investors. Sand Hill Angels and Headline are the most recent investors.

NGINX has acquired Zokets on Dec 1, 2016.
Hired by a company

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WordPress fuels more than a third of the web. Are you a part of it?

Ready to get started? Contribute as an individual or as an organization.
Five for the future
The Tragedy of the Commons
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WordCamp Europe 2014
Sofia, Bulgaria
I think a good rule of thumb that will scale with the community as it continues to grow is that organizations that want to grow the WordPress pie (and not just their piece of it) should dedicate 5% of their people to working on something to do with core — be it development, documentation, security, support forums, theme reviews, training, testing, translation or whatever it might be that helps move WordPress mission forward.

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It’s a big commitment, but I can’t think of a better long-term investment in the health of WordPress overall. I think it will look incredibly modest in hindsight. This ratio is probably the bare minimum for a sustainable ecosystem, avoiding the **tragedy of the commons**. I think the 5% rule is one that all open source projects and companies should follow, at least if they want to be vibrant a decade from now.

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5% encourages IC and organizations to contribute five percent of their resources to WordPress development

wordpress.org/5
Contributions

22 teams

Make WordPress

Whether you're a budding developer, a designer, or just like helping out, we're always looking for people to help make WordPress even better.

If you want to get involved in WordPress, this is the place to be. We've got blogs for each contributor group, general news, and upcoming events.

There are many different ways for you to get involved with WordPress:

Core

The core team makes WordPress. Whether you're a seasoned PHP, HTML, JavaScript or CSS developer or are just learning to code, we'd love to have you on board. You can write code, fix bugs, debate decisions, and help with development.

Next meeting: Bugscrub WP 6.5 (+12 more)
June 21, 2023 at 12:00 PM CET (2 days from now)

Design

The design group is focused on the designing and developing the user interface. It's a home for designers and UXers alike. There are regular discussions about mockups, design, and user testing.

Next meeting: Design Team Weekly Chat
February 10, 2023 at 7:00 PM CET (2 weeks from now) accessible via #design on Slack or design.community.wordpress.org on Matrix

Accessibility

The accessibility group provides accessibility expertise across the project. They make sure that WordPress core and all of WordPress' resources are accessible.

Next meeting: Accessibility Weekly Bug Scrum (+1 more)
March 16, 2023 at 10:00 AM CET (3 days from now) accessible via #accessibility on Slack or accessibility.community.wordpress.org on Matrix

Mobile

The mobile team builds the iOS and Android apps. Lend them your Kotlin, Swift, or React Native skills. The team also needs designers, UX experts, and testers to give users a smooth experience on every device.
Contributions

- Code
- Translate
- Support (forums)
- Document
- Learn
- Design

- Accessibility
- Marketing
- Community
- TV
- Hosting
- Openverse and photos
Pledging the time
Individual contributor

Jesús Amieiro
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*Note: To learn more about contributing to WordPress, check out [make.wordpress.org](http://make.wordpress.org).*

**Sponsored**
- No
- Yes

Select "Yes" if you are paid by a company (even if it's your company) to contribute to a [Make.WordPress.org team](http://make.wordpress.org), and you want to show that on your public profile.

**Hours per week**

Select the average number of hours per week that you contribute to [Make.WordPress.org teams](http://make.wordpress.org).

**Contributor Teams**
- Accessibility Team
- Community Team
- Core Team
- Design Team
- Documentation Team
- Hosting Team
- Marketing Team
Individual contributor

Activity

- Translated 23 strings on translate.wordpress.org.
  2 days ago

- Closed ticket #7296 on Meta Trac:
  Add PHP files to language packs
  3 days ago

- Closed pull request #191 on WordPress/wordpress.org:
  Add PHP files to language packs
  3 days ago

- Committed [13161] to Meta SVN:
  Add PHP files to language packs See ...
  3 days ago

- Translated 1 string on translate.wordpress.org.
  3 days ago

- Wrote a new post, Agenda: Weekly Polyglots Chat – January 31, 2024 (13:00 UTC), on the site Translate WordPress:
  This meeting will be held by text chat at in the #polyglots channel in the...
  3 days ago

- Mentioned in [57381] on Core SVN:
  i18N: Ensure `.i10n.php` files are deleted when upgrading language packs.
  4 days ago

- Translated 5 strings on translate.wordpress.org.
  5 days ago

- Suggested 10 strings on translate.wordpress.org.
  1 week ago

- Reviewed 12 strings on translate.wordpress.org.
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What it should look like
Why should you contribute?

- **Skill development:**
  - Work with talented contributors
  - Around the world

- **Build your own portfolio:**
  - w.org, GitHub,… → Recruiters & customers

- Networking
Typical path for a contributor

User → Casual Contributor → Pledged Contributor → Leader & expert
Why should a company contribute?

- Grow your talent pool:
  - Identify and recruit new talent
  - Up-skill your organization’s talent
- Keep up to date with the project’s direction
- Take decisions aligned with your needs or your clients’ needs
- Gain credibility
Tips for individual contributors

- Find your team (22)
- Read the docs:
  - Contributor Handbook
    - make.wordpress.org/handbook/
  - “Learn WordPress” courses about contributing
    - learn.wordpress.org/courses/#contributing-to-wordpress
  - Team handbook:
    - make.wordpress.org/TEAM/handbook/
Tips for individual contributors

• Connect with the community:
  – Weekly meetings
  – Slack channels

• Create a contribution habit

• Start slow, but with a long-term commitment
Tips for company contributions

• Set a strategy for 5ftf:
  – Identify your goals
  – Match them with your employee’s skills
  – Identify high-impact contributions

• Allocate a weekly time
• Build a contribution team?
• Hire full-time contributors?
5% is aspirational
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