SSA-322980: Denial of Service Vulnerability in SIPROTEC 5 Devices

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SUMMARY

SIPROTEC 5 devices contain a null pointer dereference vulnerability in the web service. This could allow an attacker to send unauthenticated maliciously crafted http request that could cause denial of service condition of the device.

Siemens has released updates for several affected products and recommends to update to the latest versions. Siemens recommends specific countermeasures for products where updates are not, or not yet available.

AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION

| Affected Product and Versions | Remediation |
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| SIPROTEC 5 6MD85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757428/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 6MD86 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757428/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 6MD89 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 | Currently no fix is available See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 6MU85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109765263/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7KE85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757430/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SA82 (CP100): All versions | Currently no fix is planned See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SA82 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757433/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |

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| SIPROTEC 5 7SA87 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757433/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SD82 (CP100): All versions | Currently no fix is planned See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SD82 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757433/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
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| SIPROTEC 5 7SJ81 (CP100): All versions | Currently no fix is planned See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SJ81 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109751934/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SJ82 (CP100): All versions | Currently no fix is planned See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SJ82 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109751934/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SJ85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109751934/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |

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| SIPROTEC 5 7SK82 (CP100): All versions | Currently no fix is planned See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SK82 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757434/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SK85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757434/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SL82 (CP100): All versions | Currently no fix is planned See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SL82 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757433/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SL86 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757433/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SL87 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757433/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7SS85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757429/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7ST85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 | Currently no fix is available See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7ST86 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109768428/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |

| SIPROTEC 5 7SX82 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109768011/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
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| SIPROTEC 5 7SX85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109768011/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7UM85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757431/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7UT82 (CP100): All versions | Currently no fix is planned See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7UT82 (CP150): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757438/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7UT85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757438/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7UT86 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757438/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7UT87 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757438/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7VE85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109749865/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 7VK87 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109757433/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |

| SIPROTEC 5 7VU85 (CP300): All versions >= V7.80 < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109800399/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
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| SIPROTEC 5 Communication Module ETH-BA- 2EL: All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109740816/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 Communication Module ETH-BB- 2FO: All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109740816/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 Communication Module ETH-BD- 2FO: All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109740816/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |
| SIPROTEC 5 Compact 7SX800 (CP050): All versions < V9.40 | Update to V9.40 or later version https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ view/109796884/ See recommendations from section Workarounds and Mitigations |

WORKAROUNDS AND MITIGATIONS

Siemens has identified the following specific workarounds and mitigations that customers can apply to reduce the risk:

- Block access to port 4443/tcp e.g. with an external firewall
- Disable web service using port 4443 for SIPROTEC 5 if it is not needed

Product-specific remediations or mitigations can be found in the section Affected Products and Solution. Please follow the General Security Recommendations.

GENERAL SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS

Operators of critical power systems (e.g. TSOs or DSOs) worldwide are usually required by regulations to build resilience into the power grids by applying multi-level redundant secondary protection schemes. It is therefore recommended that the operators check whether appropriate resilient protection measures are in place. The risk of cyber incidents impacting the grid's reliability can thus be minimized by virtue of the grid design. Siemens strongly recommends applying the provided security updates using the corresponding tooling and documented procedures made available with the product. If supported by the product, an automated means to apply the security updates across multiple product instances may be used. Siemens strongly recommends prior validation of any security update before being applied, and supervision by trained staff of the update process in the target environment. As a general security measure Siemens strongly recommends to configure the environment according to our operational guidelines in order to run the devices in a protected IT environment.

Recommended security guidelines can be found at: https://www.siemens.com/gridsecurity

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

SIPROTEC 5 devices provide a range of integrated protection, control, measurement, and automation functions for electrical substations and other fields of application.

VULNERABILITY CLASSIFICATION

The vulnerability classification has been performed by using the CVSS scoring system in version 3.1 (CVSS v3.1) (https://www.first.org/cvss/). The CVSS environmental score is specific to the customer's environment and will impact the overall CVSS score. The environmental score should therefore be individually defined by the customer to accomplish final scoring.

An additional classification has been performed using the CWE classification, a community-developed list of common software security weaknesses. This serves as a common language and as a baseline for weakness identification, mitigation, and prevention efforts. A detailed list of CWE classes can be found at: https://cwe.mitre.org/.

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Affected devices lack proper validation of http request parameters of the hosted web service. An unauthenticated remote attacker could send specially crafted packets that could cause denial of service condition of the target device.

| CVSS v3.1 Base Score | 7.5 |
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| CVSS Vector | CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H/E:P/RL:O/RC:C |
| CWE | CWE-476: NULL Pointer Dereference |

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further inquiries on security vulnerabilities in Siemens products and solutions, please contact the Siemens ProductCERT:

https://www.siemens.com/cert/advisories

HISTORY DATA

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V1.1 (2023-05-09): Removed all non-impacted CP200 devices; added introduced version to CP300 devices; added additional mitigation measure

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