

# Cisco Security Advisory: Transport Layer Security Renegotiation Vulnerability

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## Summary

An industry-wide vulnerability exists in the Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocol that could impact any Cisco product that uses any version of TLS and SSL. The vulnerability exists in how the protocol handles session renegotiation and exposes users to a potential man-in-the-middle attack.

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## ☐ Affected Products

Cisco is currently evaluating products for possible exposure to these TLS issues. Products will only be listed in the Vulnerable Products or Products Confirmed Not Vulnerable sections of this advisory when a final determination about product exposure is made. Products that are not listed in either of these two sections are still being evaluated.

## ☐ Vulnerable Products

This section will be updated when more information is available. The following products are confirmed to be vulnerable:

- Cisco ACE 4700 Series Application Control Engine Appliances
- Cisco ACE Application Control Engine Module
- Cisco ACE GSS 4400 Series Global Site Selector Appliances
- Cisco ACE Web Application Firewall
- Cisco Wireless Control System
- Cisco Wireless LAN Controller (WLC)
- Cisco Wireless Location Appliance
- CiscoWorks Wireless LAN Solution Engine (WLSE)
- Cisco Digital Media Player
- Cisco Digital Media Manager
- Cisco Access Control Server (ACS)
- CiscoWorks Common Services
- Cisco Telepresence Recording Server
- Cisco IOS Software
- Cisco IOS-XE Software
- Cisco NX-OS Software
- Cisco Video Surveillance Operations Manager Software
- Cisco Video Surveillance Media Server Software
- Cisco ASA 5500 Series Adaptive Security Appliances
- Catalyst 6500 Series and Cisco 7600 Series Firewall Services Module (FWSM)
- Cisco AVS 3120 and 3180 Series Application Velocity System
- Cisco CSS 11500 Series Content Services Switches

The CSS 11500 Series Content Services Switches are affected by this vulnerability with default configurations. However, the client authentication feature can be enabled as mitigation/solution.

To enable or disable client authentication on a virtual SSL server, use the **ssl-server <number> authentication** command under the **ssl-proxy-list**.

**Note:** By default, client authentication is disabled. After you enable client authentication on the CSS, you must specify a CA certificate that the CSS uses to verify client certificates.

- Cisco Content Switching Module (CSM)
- Cisco Wide Area Application Services (WAAS)

- Cisco Application Networking Manager (ANM)
- Cisco Unified IP Phones
- Cisco ONS 15500 Series
- Cisco Unified Contact Center Products
- Cisco Security Agent (CSA)

## ☐ Products Confirmed Not Vulnerable

The following products are confirmed not vulnerable:

- Cisco AnyConnect VPN Client
- Cisco Unified MeetingPlace
- Cisco Data Center Network Manager
- Cisco Service Control Subscriber Manager
- Cisco Secure Desktop (CSD)

This section will be updated when more information is available.

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## ☐ Details

TLS and its predecessor, SSL, are cryptographic protocols that provide security for communications over IP data networks such as the Internet. An industry-wide vulnerability exists in the TLS protocol that could impact any Cisco product that uses any version of TLS and SSL. The vulnerability exists in how the protocol handles session renegotiation and exposes users to a potential man-in-the-middle attack.

The following Cisco Bug IDs are being used to track potential exposure to the SSL and TLS issues. The bugs listed below do not confirm that a product is vulnerable, but rather that the product is under investigation by the appropriate product teams.

Registered Cisco customers can view these bugs via Cisco's Bug Toolkit: [http://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/Bugtool/launch\\_bugtool.pl](http://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/Bugtool/launch_bugtool.pl)

Product	Bug ID
Cisco ACE Web Application Firewall	<a href="#">CSCtd01474</a>
Cisco Adaptive Security Device Manager (ASDM)	<a href="#">CSCtd01491</a>
Cisco AON Software	<a href="#">CSCtd01646</a>
Cisco AON Healthcare for HIPAA and ePrescription	<a href="#">CSCtd01652</a>
Cisco Application and Content Networking System (ACNS) Software	<a href="#">CSCtd01529</a>
Cisco Application Networking Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd01480</a>

Cisco ASA 5500 Series Adaptive Security Appliances	<a href="#">CSCtd00697</a>
Cisco ASA Advanced Inspection and Prevention (AIP) Security Services Module	<a href="#">CSCtd01539</a>
Cisco AVS 3100 Series Application Velocity System	<a href="#">CSCtd26728</a>
Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series SSL Services Module	<a href="#">CSCtd06389</a>
Catalyst 6500 Series and Cisco 7600 Series Firewall Services Module (FWSM)	<a href="#">CSCtd04061</a>
Cisco CSS 11000 Series Content Services Switches	<a href="#">CSCtd01636</a>
Cisco Unified SIP Phones	<a href="#">CSCtd01446</a>
Cisco Data Mobility Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd02642</a>
Cisco Digital Media Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd01692</a>
Cisco Digital Media Players	<a href="#">CSCtd01718</a>
Cisco Emergency Responder	<a href="#">CSCtd02650</a>
Cisco IOS Software	<a href="#">CSCtd00658</a>
Cisco IOS XE Software	<a href="#">CSCtd00658</a>
Cisco IOS XR Software	<a href="#">CSCtd02658</a>
Cisco IP Communicator	<a href="#">CSCtd02662</a>
CATOS	<a href="#">CSCtd00662</a>
Cisco IronPort Appliances	<a href="#">CSCtd02069</a>
Cisco NAC Appliance (Clean Access)	<a href="#">CSCtd01453</a>
Cisco NAC Guest Server	<a href="#">CSCtd01462</a>
Cisco NAC Profiler	<a href="#">CSCtd02716</a>
Cisco Network Analysis Module Software (NAM)	<a href="#">CSCtd02729</a>
Cisco Network Registrar	<a href="#">CSCtd02748</a>
Cisco ONS 15500 Series	<a href="#">CSCtd11877</a>
Cisco Physical Access Gateways	<a href="#">CSCtd02777</a>
Cisco Physical Access Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd03912</a>
Cisco Physical Security ISM	<a href="#">CSCtd03920</a>
Cisco QoS Device Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd03923</a>
Cisco Secure Access Control Server	

(ACS)	<a href="#">CSCtd00725</a>
Cisco Secure Desktop	<a href="#">CSCtd03928</a>
Cisco Secure Services Client	<a href="#">CSCtd03935</a>
Cisco Security Agent CSA	<a href="#">CSCtd02689</a>
Cisco Security Monitoring, Analysis and Response System (MARS)	<a href="#">CSCtd02654</a>
Cisco Unified IP Phones	<a href="#">CSCtd04121</a>
Cisco TelePresence Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd01771</a>
Telepresence for Consumer	<a href="#">CSCtd01752</a>
Cisco TelePresence Recording Server	<a href="#">CSCtd01742</a>
Cisco Network Asset Collector	<a href="#">CSCtd04198</a>
Cisco Unified Communications Manager (CallManager)	<a href="#">CSCtd01282</a>
Cisco Unified Business Attendant Console	<a href="#">CSCtd05731</a>
Cisco Unified Contact Center Enterprise	<a href="#">CSCtd05790</a>
Cisco Unified Contact Center Express	<a href="#">CSCtd05790</a>
Cisco Unified Contact Center Management Portal	<a href="#">CSCtd05755</a>
Cisco Unified Contact Center Products	<a href="#">CSCtd05790</a>
Cisco Unified Department Attendant Console	<a href="#">CSCtd05733</a>
Cisco Unified E-Mail Interaction Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd05756</a>
Cisco Unified Enterprise Attendant Console	<a href="#">CSCtd05735</a>
Cisco Unified Mobility	<a href="#">CSCtd05786</a>
Cisco Unified Mobility Advantage	<a href="#">CSCtd05783</a>
Cisco Unified Operations Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd05784</a>
Cisco Unified Personal Communicator	<a href="#">CSCtd05759</a>
Cisco Unified Presence	<a href="#">CSCtd05791</a>
Cisco Unified Provisioning Manager	<a href="#">CSCtd05777</a>
Cisco Unified Quick Connect	<a href="#">CSCtd05738</a>
Cisco Unified Service Monitor	<a href="#">CSCtd05780</a>

Cisco Unified Service Statistics Manager	<a href="#">CStCd05778</a>
Cisco Unified SIP Proxy	<a href="#">CSCtd05765</a>
Cisco Unity	<a href="#">CSCtd02855</a>
Cisco NX-OS Software	<a href="#">CSCtd00699</a> and <a href="#">CSCtd00703</a>
Cisco Video Portal	<a href="#">CSCtd04097</a>
Cisco Video Surveillance Media Server Software	<a href="#">CSCtd02831</a>
Cisco Video Surveillance Operations Manager Software	<a href="#">CSCtd02780</a>
Cisco Wide Area Application Services (WAAS)	<a href="#">CSCtd13914</a>
Cisco Wireless Control System	<a href="#">CSCtd01625</a>
Cisco Wireless LAN Controller (WLAN)	<a href="#">CSCtd01611</a>
Cisco Wireless Location Appliance	<a href="#">CSCtd04115</a>
CiscoWorks Common Services Software	<a href="#">CSCtd01597</a>
CiscoWorks Wireless LAN Solution Engine (WLSE)	<a href="#">CSCtd04111</a>

This vulnerability has been assigned the Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) identifier CVE-2009-3555.

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## ☐ Vulnerability Scoring Details

Cisco has provided scores for the vulnerability in this advisory based on the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS). The CVSS scoring in this Security Advisory is done in accordance with CVSS version 2.0.

CVSS is a standards-based scoring method that conveys vulnerability severity and helps determine urgency and priority of response.

Cisco has provided a base and temporal score. Customers can then compute environmental scores to assist in determining the impact of the vulnerability in individual networks.

Cisco has provided an FAQ to answer additional questions regarding CVSS at

<http://www.cisco.com/web/about/security/intelligence/cvss-qandas.html> .

Cisco has also provided a CVSS calculator to help compute the environmental impact for individual networks at

<http://intellishield.cisco.com/security/alertmanager/cvss>.

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Calculate the environmental score of <a href="#">All Cisco Bug IDs</a>					
CVSS Base Score - <b>4.3</b>					
Access Vector	Access Complexity	Authentication	Confidentiality Impact	Integrity Impact	Availability Impact
Network	Medium	None	None	Partial	None
CVSS Temporal Score - <b>4.1</b>					
Exploitability		Remediation Level		Report Confidence	
Functional		Unavailable		Confirmed	

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## ▣ Impact

A protocol-level design flaw in the TLS specification allows an attacker to perform a man-in-the-middle (MITM) attack on sessions protected by Transport Layer Security (TLS) and Secure Sockets Layer (SSL). Successful exploitation could allow an attacker to inject data into a legitimate SSL/TLS-protected session and trigger a renegotiation. This may allow the attacker to execute operations on the server using the client's credentials but does not allow the attacker to read, decrypt, or alter encrypted traffic between client and server. While the vulnerability exists within the TLS protocol, the impact of an attack depends on the application protocol running over TLS.

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## ▣ Software Versions and Fixes

This section will be updated to include fixed software versions for affected Cisco products as they become available.

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## ▣ Workarounds

Workarounds are being investigated. This section will be updated when more information becomes available.

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## ☐ **Obtaining Fixed Software**

Customers may only install and expect support for the feature sets they have purchased. By installing, downloading, accessing or otherwise using such software upgrades, customers agree to be bound by the terms of Cisco's software license terms found at [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/general/warranty/English/EU1KEN\\_.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/general/warranty/English/EU1KEN_.html) , or as otherwise set forth at Cisco.com Downloads at <http://www.cisco.com/public/sw-center/sw-usingswc.shtml> .

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The effectiveness of any workaround or fix is dependent on specific customer situations, such as product mix, network topology, traffic behavior, and organizational mission. Due to the variety of affected products and releases, customers should consult with their service provider or support organization to ensure any applied workaround or fix is the most appropriate for use in the intended network before it is deployed.

### ☐ **Customers without Service Contracts**

Customers who purchase direct from Cisco but do not hold a Cisco service contract, and customers who purchase through third-party vendors but are unsuccessful in obtaining fixed software through their point of sale should acquire upgrades by contacting the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC). TAC contacts are as follows.

- +1 800 553 2447 (toll free from within North America)
- +1 408 526 7209 (toll call from anywhere in the world)
- e-mail: [tac@cisco.com](mailto:tac@cisco.com)

Customers should have their product serial number available and be prepared to give the URL of this notice as evidence of entitlement to a free upgrade. Free upgrades for non-contract customers must be requested through the TAC.

Refer to [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd\\_cisco\\_worldwide\\_contacts.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd_cisco_worldwide_contacts.html) for additional TAC contact information, including localized telephone numbers, and instructions and e-mail addresses for use in various languages.



## ☐ **Exploitation and Public Announcements**

This vulnerability was initially discovered by Marsh Ray and Steve Dispensa from PhoneFactor, Inc.

Cisco is not aware of any malicious exploitation of this vulnerability.

Proof-of-concept exploit code has been published for this vulnerability.

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## ☐ **Revision History**

Revision 1.4	2009-December-4	Details and Impact update
Revision 1.3	2009-December-3	Affected products update
Revision 1.2	2009-November-18	Affected products update
Revision 1.1	2009-November-16	Affected products update
Revision 1.0	2009-November-9	Initial public release

## ☐ **Cisco Security Procedures**

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[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/products\\_security\\_vulnerability\\_policy.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/products_security_vulnerability_policy.html). This includes instructions for press inquiries regarding Cisco security notices. All Cisco security advisories are available at <http://www.cisco.com/go/psirt>.

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