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Heap-buffer-overflow in AP4_Dac4Atom DSI v1 parsing via large n_presentations (AP4_BitReader::SkipBits) #1059

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A heap-buffer-overflow vulnerability exists in the `AP4_Dac4Atom` constructor when parsing AC-4 DSI version 1 data. A crafted MP4 file with a `dac4` atom containing a large `n_presentations` value (up to 511) causes the parser to read far beyond the allocated heap buffer via `AP4_BitReader::SkipBits()`.

Affected Component

- File: `Source/C++/Core/Ap4Dac4Atom.cpp`
- Function: `AP4_Dac4Atom::AP4_Dac4Atom(AP4_UI32 size, const AP4_UI08* payload)` (line 147)
- Triggered at: `AP4_BitReader::SkipBits()` in `Ap4Utils.cpp:559`, called from `Ap4Dac4Atom.cpp:396`

Root Cause

In `Ap4Dac4Atom.cpp`, the DSI v1 parsing path reads `n_presentations` from 9 bits (line 175), allowing a maximum value of 511. At line 196, an array of `PresentationV1[n_presentations]` is allocated and each element is parsed in a loop (line 198). Each presentation parsing iteration calls `ReadBits()` and `SkipBits()` multiple times. When the actual payload is much smaller than what 511 presentations require, the `AP4_BitReader` reads and skips well past the end of the heap-allocated buffer without any bounds checking.

Steps to Reproduce

1. Build Bento4 with AddressSanitizer (`-fsanitize=address`)
2. Save the attached PoC file as `poc3.mp4`
3. Run: `./mp4dump poc3.mp4`

ASAN Output

```
==3552==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow on address 0x5030000002f4
at pc 0x58993d791c01 bp 0x7fffc0067da0 sp 0x7fffc0067d90
READ of size 1 at 0x5030000002f4 thread T0
#0 AP4_BitReader::ReadCache() const Ap4Utils.cpp:447
#1 AP4_BitReader::SkipBits() Ap4Utils.cpp:559
#2 AP4_Dac4Atom::AP4_Dac4Atom() Ap4Dac4Atom.cpp:396
#3 AP4_Dac4Atom::Create() Ap4Dac4Atom.cpp:58

0x5030000002f4 is located 0 bytes to the right of 20-byte region
[0x5030000002e0,0x5030000002f4)
```



(Full ASAN trace and PoC file attached below)

Impact

An attacker can craft a malicious MP4 file that, when parsed by any application using the Bento4 library (e.g., mp4dump, mp4info), triggers a heap out-of-bounds read. This may lead to information disclosure or denial of service (crash).

Suggested Fix

Add remaining-bits validation during the presentation parsing loop:

```
// Ap4Dac4Atom.cpp, before line 198
// Limit n_presentations to what the payload can actually hold
for (unsigned int i = 0; i < m_Dsi.d.v1.n_presentations; i++) {
    if (bits.GetBitsRead() >= payload_size * 8) break; // prevent 00B
    // ... existing parsing code ...
}
```

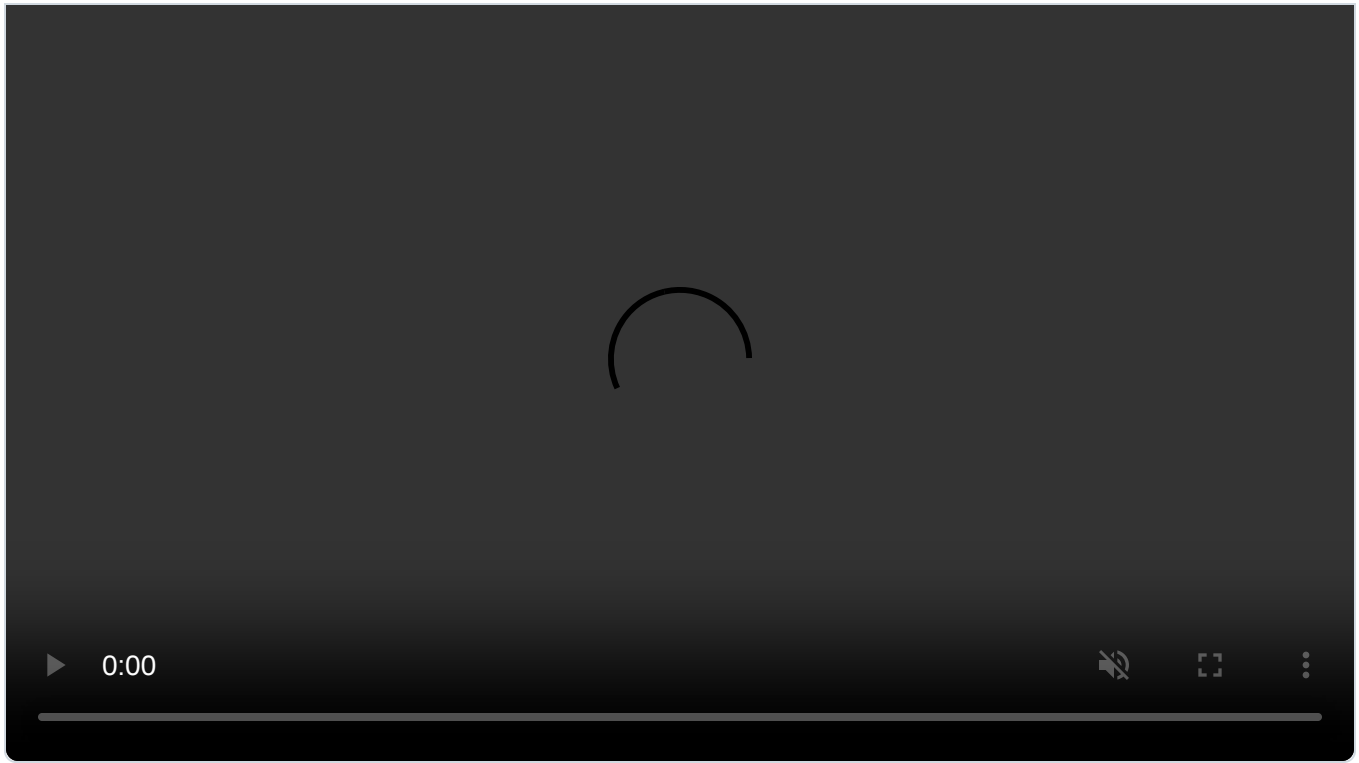


Additionally, `AP4_BitReader` should return an error or stop when the read position exceeds the buffer size.

Environment

- Bento4 version: latest (commit HEAD)
- OS: Ubuntu (WSL2)
- Compiler: g++ with `-fsanitize=address`

poc3_dac4_heap_oob.mp4 ▾



```

breakingbad@LAPTOP-H9E173A0: /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/cmakebuild$ cp /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/poc/*.mp4 .
breakingbad@LAPTOP-H9E173A0: /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/cmakebuild$ ./mp4dump poc3_dac4_heap_oob.mp4
[ftyp] size=8+12
  major_brand = isom
  minor_version = 200
  compatible_brand = isom
=====
==3552==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow on address 0x5030000002f4 at pc 0x58993d791c01 bp 0x7fffc0067da0 sp 0x7fffc0067d90
READ of size 1 at 0x5030000002f4 thread T0
#0 0x58993d791c00 in AP4_Reader::ReadCache() const /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Utils.cpp:447
#1 0x58993d792496 in AP4_Reader::SkipBits(unsigned int) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Utils.cpp:559
#2 0x58993d6f9679 in AP4_Dac4Atom::AP4_Dac4Atom(unsigned int, unsigned char const*) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Dac4Atom.cpp:396
#3 0x58993d6f5598 in AP4_Dac4Atom::Create(unsigned int, AP4_ByteStream&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Dac4Atom.cpp:58
#4 0x58993d6e128a in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned int, unsigned int, unsigned long long, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:776
#5 0x58993d6dd61f in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned long long&, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:234
#6 0x58993d6f07b2 in AP4_ContainerAtom::ReadChildren(AP4_AtomFactory&, AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned long long) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4ContainerAtom.cpp:196
#7 0x58993d75ef53 in AP4_SampleEntry::Read(AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4SampleEntry.cpp:115
#8 0x58993d760af2 in AP4_AudioSampleEntry::AP4_AudioSampleEntry(unsigned int, unsigned int, AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4SampleEntry.cpp:420
#9 0x58993d762fa0 in AP4_Ac4SampleEntry::AP4_Ac4SampleEntry(unsigned int, unsigned int, AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4SampleEntry.cpp:801
#10 0x58993d6de436 in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned int, unsigned int, unsigned long long, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:342
#11 0x58993d6dd61f in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned long long&, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:234
#12 0x58993d774bc2 in AP4_StsdAtom::AP4_StsdAtom(unsigned int, unsigned char, unsigned int, AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4StsdAtom.cpp:104
#13 0x58993d6dd61f in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned long long&, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:234
#14 0x58993d6dcbcd in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:154
#15 0x58993d6cf3ed in main /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Apps/Mp4Dump/Mp4Dump.cpp:2
#16 0x7b77d3829d8f in __libc_start_call_main ../sysdeps/nptl/libc_start_call_main.h:58
#17 0x7b77d3829e3f in __libc_start_main_impl ../csu/libc-start.c:392
#18 0x58993d6cd904 in _start (/mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/cmakebuild/mp4dump+0x319904)

0x5030000002f4 is located 0 bytes to the right of 20-byte region [0x5030000002e0,0x5030000002f4)
allocated by thread T0 here:
#0 0x7b77d40b6357 in operator new[](unsigned long) ../../src/libsanitizer/asan/asan_new_delete.cpp:102
#1 0x58993d70564c in AP4_DataBuffer::ReallocateBuffer(unsigned int) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4DataBuffer.cpp:210
#2 0x58993d7052a0 in AP4_DataBuffer::SetBufferSize(unsigned int) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4DataBuffer.cpp:136
#3 0x58993d791928 in AP4_Reader::AP4_Reader(unsigned char const*, unsigned int) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Utils.cpp:404
#4 0x58993d6f6986 in AP4_Dac4Atom::AP4_Dac4Atom(unsigned int, unsigned char const*) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Dac4Atom.cpp:161
#5 0x58993d6f5598 in AP4_Dac4Atom::Create(unsigned int, AP4_ByteStream&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Dac4Atom.cpp:58
#6 0x58993d6e128a in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned int, unsigned int, unsigned long long, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:776
#7 0x58993d6dd61f in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned long long&, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:234
#8 0x58993d6f07b2 in AP4_ContainerAtom::ReadChildren(AP4_AtomFactory&, AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned long long) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4ContainerAtom.cpp:196
#9 0x58993d75ef53 in AP4_SampleEntry::Read(AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4SampleEntry.cpp:115
#10 0x58993d760af2 in AP4_AudioSampleEntry::AP4_AudioSampleEntry(unsigned int, unsigned int, AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4SampleEntry.cpp:420
#11 0x58993d762fa0 in AP4_Ac4SampleEntry::AP4_Ac4SampleEntry(unsigned int, unsigned int, AP4_ByteStream&, AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4SampleEntry.cpp:801
#12 0x58993d6de436 in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned int, unsigned int, unsigned long long, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:342
#13 0x58993d6dd61f in AP4_AtomFactory::CreateAtomFromStream(AP4_ByteStream&, unsigned long long&, AP4_Atom*&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4AtomFactory.cpp:234

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2 #29 0x58993d6f0131 in AP4_ContainerAtom::AP4_ContainerAtom(unsigned int, unsigned long long, bool, AP4_ByteStream&,
AP4_AtomFactory&) /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4ContainerAtom.cpp:140
SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow /mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/Source/C++/Core/AP4Ut
ils.cpp:447 in AP4_Reader::ReadCache() const
Shadow bytes around the buggy address:
0x0a067fff8000: fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00
0x0a067fff8010: 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa
0x0a067fff8020: 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa
0x0a067fff8030: fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00
0x0a067fff8040: 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa 00 00 00 fa fa fa
=>0x0a067fff8050: 00 00 04 fa fa fa 00 00 04 fa fa fa 00 00[04]fa
0x0a067fff8060: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0a067fff8070: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0a067fff8080: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0a067fff8090: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
0x0a067fff80a0: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
Shadow byte legend (one shadow byte represents 8 application bytes):
Addressable: 00
Partially addressable: 01 02 03 04 05 06 07
Heap left redzone: fa
Freed heap region: fd
Stack left redzone: f1
Stack mid redzone: f2
Stack right redzone: f3
Stack after return: f5
Stack use after scope: f8
Global redzone: f9
Global init order: f6
Poisoned by user: f7
Container overflow: fc
Array cookie: ac
Intra object redzone: bb
ASan internal: fe
Left alloca redzone: ca
Right alloca redzone: cb
Shadow gap: cc
==3552==ABORTING
breakingbad@LAPTOP-H9E173A0:/mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/cmakebuild$ ./mp42ts --index poc2_mfra_se
ek.mp4 /dev/null
ERROR: unexpected argument
breakingbad@LAPTOP-H9E173A0:/mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/cmakebuild$ ./mp42ts --index poc2_mfra_se
ek.mp4 /dev/null
ERROR: unexpected argument
breakingbad@LAPTOP-H9E173A0:/mnt/c/Users/18320/Desktop/新农计划/example/Bento4/cmakebuild$ ./mp4info poc2_mfra_seek.mp4
File:

```

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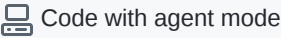

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