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Limit path depth to prevent stack overflow

Deeply nested path arrays can cause unbounded recursion in `jv_setpath`, `jv_getpath`, and `jv_delpaths`, leading to stack overflow. Add a depth limit of 10000 to match the existing `tojson` depth limit. This fixes CVE-2026-33947.

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src/jv_aux.c
  ↑... @@ -365,13 +365,23 @@ static jv jv_dels(jv t, jv keys) {
365 365     return t;
366 366 }
367 367
368 + #ifndef MAX_PATH_DEPTH
369 + #define MAX_PATH_DEPTH (10000)
370 + #endif
371 +

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368 372     jv_jv_setpath(jv root, jv path, jv value) {
369 373         if (jv_get_kind(path) != JV_KIND_ARRAY) {
370 374             jv_free(value);
371 375             jv_free(root);
372 376             jv_free(path);
373 377             return jv_invalid_with_msg(jv_string("Path must be specified as an
array"));
374 378         }
379 +     if (jv_array_length(jv_copy(path)) > MAX_PATH_DEPTH) {
380 +         jv_free(value);
381 +         jv_free(root);
382 +         jv_free(path);
383 +         return jv_invalid_with_msg(jv_string("Path too deep"));
384 +     }
375 385     if (!jv_is_valid(root)){
376 386         jv_free(value);
377 387         jv_free(path);
378 388     }
379 389     @@ -424,6 +434,11 @@ jv_jv_getpath(jv root, jv path) {
424 434         jv_free(path);
425 435         return jv_invalid_with_msg(jv_string("Path must be specified as an
array"));
426 436     }
437 +     if (jv_array_length(jv_copy(path)) > MAX_PATH_DEPTH) {
438 +         jv_free(root);
439 +         jv_free(path);
440 +         return jv_invalid_with_msg(jv_string("Path too deep"));
441 +     }
427 442     if (!jv_is_valid(root)) {
428 443         jv_free(path);
429 444         return root;
430 445     }
431 446     @@ -502,6 +517,12 @@ jv_jv_delpaths(jv object, jv paths) {
502 517         jv_free(elem);
503 518         return err;
504 519     }
520 +     if (jv_array_length(jv_copy(elem)) > MAX_PATH_DEPTH) {
521 +         jv_free(object);
522 +         jv_free(paths);
523 +         jv_free(elem);

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524 +     return jv_invalid_with_msg(jv_string("Path too deep"));
525 + }
505 526     jv_free(elem);
506 527 }
507 528     if (jv_array_length(jv_copy(paths)) == 0) {

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tests/jq.test

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@@ -2568,3 +2568,28 @@ true
2568 2568     reduce range(10001) as $_ ([;[.]) | tojson | contains("<skipped: too deep>")
2569 2569     null
2570 2570     true
2571 +
2572 + # regression test for CVE-2026-33947
2573 + setpath([range(10000) | 0]; 0) | flatten
2574 + null
2575 + [0]
2576 +
2577 + try setpath([range(10001) | 0]; 0) catch .
2578 + null
2579 + "Path too deep"
2580 +
2581 + getpath([range(10000) | 0])
2582 + null
2583 + null
2584 +
2585 + try getpath([range(10001) | 0]) catch .
2586 + null
2587 + "Path too deep"
2588 +
2589 + delpaths([[range(10000) | 0]])
2590 + null
2591 + null
2592 +
2593 + try delpaths([[range(10001) | 0]]) catch .
2594 + null
2595 + "Path too deep"

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