

Re: zlib on Solaris?

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On Tue, Mar 12, 2002 at 01:08:52PM +0100, Kalle Andersson wrote:
> *Quick question, any info on if zlib can or can't cause problem on a solaris
> system?*
> *I haven't been able to find a yes or no on that question, just that the
> problem is primarily on Linux.*

The short answer is "possibly".

Casper Dik write the following on Bugtraq earlier today :

"Furthermore, it appears that our libc's malloc catches double frees
in several ways; that may also lower the risk somewhat."
(Full msg at
<http://msgs.securepoint.com/cgi-bin/get/bugtraq0203/139/1/1/1/1/1.html>)

As far as I'm aware there are no exploits for this problem available for
any programs on any platforms yet, but that doesn't mean there wont be...

Scott

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