SSA-133038: Multiple Modfem File Parsing Vulnerabilities in Simcenter Femap

SUMMARY

Siemens Simcenter Femap is affected by two vulnerabilities that could be triggered when the application reads modfem files. If a user is tricked to open a malicious file with the affected application, this could lead to a crash, and potentially also to arbitrary code execution or data extraction on the target host system.

Siemens has released updates for Simcenter Femap and recommends to update to the latest version to fix the vulnerabilities. Siemens recommends to avoid opening of untrusted files from unknown sources.

AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION

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WORKAROUNDS AND MITIGATIONS

Siemens has identified the following specific workarounds and mitigations that customers can apply to reduce the risk:

- Do not open untrusted modfem files from unknown sources

GENERAL SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS

As a general security measure, Siemens strongly recommends to protect network access to devices with appropriate mechanisms. In order to operate the devices in a protected IT environment, Siemens recommends to configure the environment according to Siemens’ operational guidelines for Industrial Security (Download: [https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security](https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security)), and to follow the recommendations in the product manuals.

Additional information on Industrial Security by Siemens can be found at: [https://www.siemens.com/industrialsecurity](https://www.siemens.com/industrialsecurity)

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Simcenter Femap is an advanced simulation application for creating, editing, and inspecting finite element models of complex products or systems.

VULNERABILITY CLASSIFICATION

The vulnerability classification has been performed by using the CVSS scoring system in version 3.1 (CVSS v3.1) ([https://www.first.org/cvss/](https://www.first.org/cvss/)). The CVSS environmental score is specific to the customer’s
environment and will impact the overall CVSS score. The environmental score should therefore be individually defined by the customer to accomplish final scoring.

An additional classification has been performed using the CWE classification, a community-developed list of common software security weaknesses. This serves as a common language and as a baseline for weakness identification, mitigation, and prevention efforts. A detailed list of CWE classes can be found at: https://cwe.mitre.org/.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further inquiries on security vulnerabilities in Siemens products and solutions, please contact the Siemens ProductCERT:

https://www.siemens.com/cert/advisories
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