# DCMTK - Bug #1099

## Decoders for compressed images may segfault with very large images

2023-12-28 17:26 - Marco Eichelberg

Status: Closed Start date: 2023-12-28

Priority: Normal Due date:

Assignee: Marco Eichelberg % Done: 100%

Category: Library and Apps Estimated time: 0:00 hour

Target version: 3.7.1+

Module: Compiler:

Operating System:

### **Description**

The decoders for compressed images in DCMTK apparently do not properly check if the size of a decompressed frame, or, in the case of a multi-frame image, the size of the entire decompressed image is smaller than the maximum possible size for the PixelData attribute (2^32-2 bytes, ~ 4 GBytes). An integer overflow may occur in the calculation of the required element size that leads to an allocation of a small buffer, and in turn to a buffer overflow causing a segfault during the decompression process.

All decompression decoders in DCMTK are affected at least on some platforms:

- dcmdjpeg (for JPEG)
- dcmdrle (for RLE)
- dcmdjpls (for JPEG-LS)
- dcmdjp2k (for JPEG 2000, in the private DCMJP2K module).

The RLE and JPEG decoder are only affected when compiled as 32-bit code.

This issue is tracked as issue #1090 for the private DCMJP2K module.

#### History

#### #2 - 2024-01-02 17:50 - Marco Eichelberg

- Status changed from New to Closed
- % Done changed from 0 to 100

Fixed by commit #31ff413f9 for the public DCMTK, and by commit #f3446c907 for the private modules.

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