

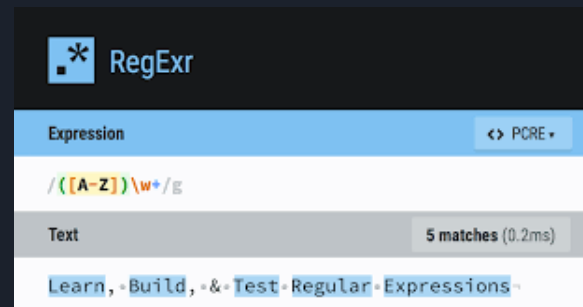


`/(Re+|DoS)*/`

For fun and stuck!

# O que é uma expressão regular (regex)?

- Uma expressão regular (regex) é uma sequência de caracteres que especificam um padrão de busca.
- Surgiu a partir dos estudos do matemático Stephen Cole Kleene no ano de 1950.
- Definiu as bases para os primeiros algoritmos de busca.





## Pra que serve uma (expressão regular) regex?

- São utilizadas para busca, extração, substituição e validação de padrões de caracteres.
- Utilizada por softwares que realizam busca, SGBDs, IDEs, processadores de texto, WAFs, IDSs, motores de busca, parsers, utilitários de linha de comando e etc.
- MySQL, MongoDB, VS Code, grep, findstr e etc.

# Pra que serve uma (expressão regular) regex?

- Validação de IPv4



```
/\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}/
```

`\d` - Representa dígitos

`{1,3}` - 0 caractere anterior pode aparecer 1 a 3 vezes

`\.` - Equivale a um ponto final

```
//192.168.0.1
```

```
//127.0.0.1
```

```
//8.8.8.8
```

# Pra que serve uma (expressão regular) regex?

- Comentários HTML / XML



```
/<!--([\s\S]*?)-->/
```

```
<!-- - String literal
```

```
\s - Espaço em branco
```

```
\S - Não espaço em branco
```

```
*? - Busca uma ou mais vezes de forma não gananciosa
```

```
--> - String literal
```

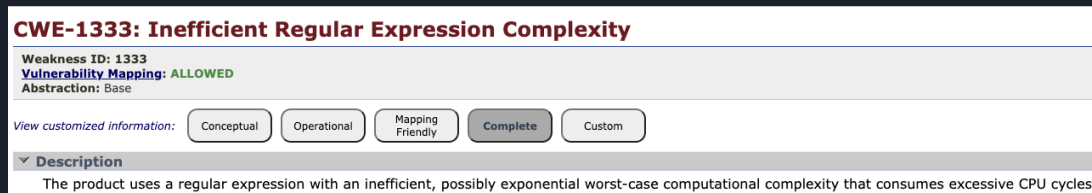
```
// <!-- -->
```

```
// <!-- #HackThePlanet -->
```

```
// <!-- Hello, world! -->
```

# O que é um ataque ReDoS?

- É uma abreviação de Regular Expression Denial of Service.
- Pode causar indisponibilidade de um sistema por lentidão ou por queda.
- É um ataque que ocorre quando um engine de expressão regular tentar validar uma entrada (texto) e consome muito recurso computacional para realizar a análise.



**CWE-1333: Inefficient Regular Expression Complexity**

Weakness ID: 1333  
Vulnerability Mapping: ALLOWED  
Abstraction: Base

View customized information:

▼ Description

The product uses a regular expression with an inefficient, possibly exponential worst-case computational complexity that consumes excessive CPU cycles.



# Porque um ReDoS ocorre?

- Alguns algoritmos de análise de expressão regular implementam backtracking\*.
- Dependendo do tamanho do input, esse algoritmo com backtracking é sobrecarregado e consome muito processamento para analisar um regex.
- Expressões regulares ambíguas "triggam" esse cenário.
- Linguagens que possuem engine que implementam backtracking são vulneráveis. (C#, JavaScript, Java, Python, PHP, Ruby, etc.)

\*Algoritmo de busca profunda (Depth-First Search)



Show me the code



Talk is cheap. Show me the code.

(Linus Torvalds)

[izquotes.com](http://izquotes.com)





# Incidentes e vulnerabilidades de ReDoS

**CloudFlare** (02/07/19) - DoS de domínios devido a uma regex em uma regra de WAF.

**StackOverflow** (20/07/2016) - DoS devido a uma regex que removia espaços no início e ao final do texto.

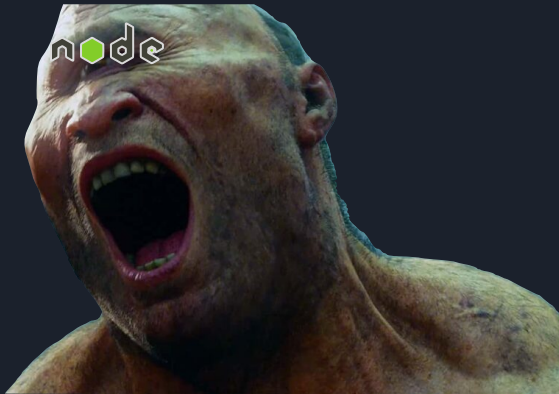
**validator.js** (CVE-2021-3765) - Já teve várias vulnerabilidades de ReDoS e é utilizada por mais de 5600 bibliotecas.

**jsPDF** (CVE-2021-23353) - Vulnerabilidade de ReDoS ao validar uma imagem.

# Falhas ReDoS não param de crescer

## ReDoS vulnerabilities in npm spikes by 143% and XSS continues to grow

Written by:  Liran Tal



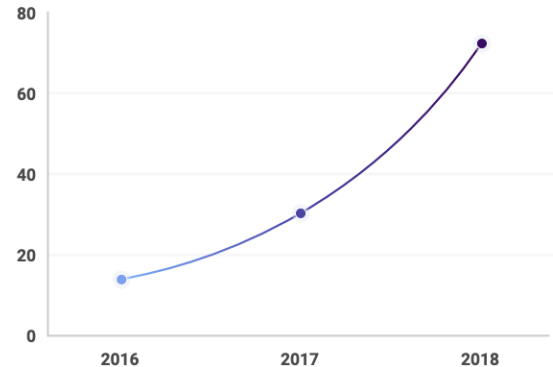
### Regular expression denial of service

The Node.js runtime is known to have many strengths, but one of them, the single threaded Event Loop, can also be its weakest link if not used correctly. This happens more regularly than one might think.

Regular expression denial of service (ReDoS) attacks exploit the non-linear worst-case complexity vulnerabilities that some regex patterns can lead to. For a single-threaded runtime this could be devastating, and this is why Node.js is significantly affected by this type of vulnerability.

We found that there were a growing number of ReDoS vulnerabilities disclosed over the last three years, with a spike of 143% in 2018 alone.

### Regular expression denial of service (ReDoS) disclosures on the rise





# O formato CSV

- É um formato de texto que utiliza vírgulas para separar valores
- É um formato de arquivo leve e simples para representar dados em forma de linhas e colunas
- Muito usado em softwares como Microsoft Excel e Libre Office

# O formato CSV

```
Nome,Idade,Cidade,Hobbies  
João,25,São Paulo,"Leitura,Esportes,Jogos de Tabuleiro"  
Maria,30,Rio de Janeiro,"Música,Artes,Culinária"  
Carlos,22,Belo Horizonte,"Viajar,Fotografia,Esportes Aquáticos"
```



Nome	Idade	Cidade	Hobbies
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<https://stackoverflow.com> › regula... › Traduzir esta página

### Regular expression to match CSV delimiters - regex

21 de jun. de 2011 — A MatchAll-type function with this **regex** would give you a list/array of all the items in the **CSV** file. If, as you said in another comment, you' ...

6 respostas · Melhor resposta: See my post that solves this problem for more detail. `^(?:"(?:?"...`

**Regex to split a CSV** - Stack Overflow 9 de ago. de 2013

**Regex for Comma delimited list - csv** - Stack Overflow 8 de set. de 2009

How can I use **regex** as a delimiter when importing a **csv** file ... 29 de jul. de 2017

Using a Batch script, how do I use **regex** to split up data in a ... 23 de mai. de 2019

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### 8.10. Change the Delimiter Used in CSV Files

Solution. The following regular expression matches an individual **CSV** field along with its preceding **delimiter**, if any. The preceding **delimiter** is usually a ...



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<https://softwareengineering.stackexchange.com> › ... › Traduzir esta página

### Can the csv format be defined by a regex?

27 de set. de 2012 — A colleague and I have recently argued over whether a pure **regex** is capable of fully encapsulating the **csv** format, such that it is capable of ...

5 respostas · Melhor resposta: Nice in theory, terrible in practice By **CSV** I'm going to assume ...



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<https://gist.github.com> › awasm › Traduzir esta página

### Regex for parsing Microsoft-style CSV data

Parse Microsoft-style **CSV** data with **regex**. Background. **CSV** (comma-separated values) files organise their data by separating them with newlines and commas.



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**Towards Data Science**  
<https://towardsdatascience.com> › f... › Traduzir esta página

### Fixing Common CSV Errors with Regex | by Zachary Wames

11 de ago. de 2021 — **Regular expressions** are a powerful tool that is often overlooked. In this post, I am going through several common issues with **CSV** files and ...

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<https://copyprogramming.com> › r... › Traduzir esta página

### Regex to split a CSV

4 de abr. de 2023 — Separate your text sample by using commas as delimiters. will process empty values; If double quotes are not nested, double quote d commas will ...



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<https://ask.libreoffice.org> › parsin... › Traduzir esta página

### Parsing a csv file using Regex (almost)

23 de abr. de 2021 — I am successfully (almost) parsing a **csv** file using **regex**. This is a simple version of a more complex structure. The (**csv**) text in cell b1 ...



**RegExLib**  
<https://regexlib.com> › Search › k... › Traduzir esta página

### Search Results: 14 regular expressions found.

A **regex** that will split a **CSV** file when used for **MATCH** function. All values must be in quotes, and separated by commas.



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<https://support.okta.com> › article › Traduzir esta página

### How to Add Regex Rule for Values Coming in CSV Format

In case the received headers have used a different **delimiter**, then the rule will not work as expected. The **delimiter** in the **regex** needs to be corrected in that ...



**ORAYLIS**  
<https://www.oraylis.de> › blog › an... › Traduzir esta página

### Analyzing Flat File data with Regular Expressions

The pattern of a column is defined, using the **delimiter** of the **csv** file. Let's say, we have data, delimited by a semicolon (the spaces are added only for better ...





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Regex vulneráveis	Regex não vulneráveis
5	3

# Chat GPT

JM

You

I need a regex to get every comma that's outside a "", look the example

```
1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7,25,,S
```



ChatGPT

You can use the following regular expression to match commas outside double quotes:

```
regex Copy code
,(?=(?:["]*["])*["]*$)
```

Here's how this regex works:

- `,` matches the comma.
- `(?= ...)` is a positive lookahead assertion, which checks if the following pattern is present without including it in the match.
- `(?:["]*["])*` matches pairs of double quotes and anything in between them. This allows us to skip commas inside double quotes.
- `["]*$` matches anything that is not a double quote until the end of the string.

JM

You

This regex is vulnerable to redos

```
,(?=(?:["]*["])*["]*$)
```



ChatGPT

You're correct; the provided regex can potentially be vulnerable to catastrophic backtracking, which is a security concern. To address this, you can make a slight modification to make it more efficient and avoid potential performance issues.

Here's an updated regex that aims to be more efficient:

```
regex Copy code
,(?=(?:(?:["]*["])*["]*$))
```

This modification introduces a non-capturing group `(?:["]*["])*` to match sequences of characters within double quotes more efficiently, reducing the risk of catastrophic backtracking. The overall structure of the regex remains the same, ensuring commas are matched outside these sequences of double quotes.

Always be cautious when dealing with regular expressions, especially in scenarios where user input is involved, to prevent potential security vulnerabilities like Regular Expression Denial of Service (ReDoS).

# Chat GPT

**You**  
This regex is vulnerable to redos  
`,(?=(?:[^\"]*"|"[^"]*"|'[^']*'|'[^\']*')*$)`

**ChatGPT**  
I apologize for the oversight. You are correct, and I appreciate your diligence in pointing that out. To avoid potential ReDoS vulnerabilities, we can use a different approach:

```
regex                                     Copy code
"[^"]*" | [^, ]+
```

This regex will match either a quoted string or a sequence of characters that does not include a comma. You can use this regex to extract values from your CSV data while avoiding the ReDoS issue.





# Chat GPT

Regex vulneráveis	Regex não vulneráveis
2	1

# Github Copilot

I need a regex that parse this CSV 1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S

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```
// BEGIN: regex
const regex = /(?:^|,)(?:(?:\"([^\"])*\"|(?![^\"])*\"))*|(\"(?:\"|,)*\")(?:=,|$)/g;
// END: regex
```

I need a regex that parse this CSV 1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S

Accept Discard | v ↻

Changed 7 lines 🍏 🗨

```
const csvString = '1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S';
const regexPattern = /,(?=(?:\"(?:\"|,)*\")(?:=,|$))/g;
const csvArray = csvString.split(regexPattern);
console.log(csvArray);
```

I need a regex that parse this CSV 1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S

Accept Discard | v ↻

Changed 7 lines 🍏 🗨

```
// BEGIN: Regex pattern
const csvString = '1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S';
const regex = /(?:^|,)(?:\"([^\"])*\"|(?![^\"])*\"))*|(\"(?:\"|,)*\")(?:=,|$)/g;
const result = csvString.match(regex).map((value) => value.replace(/,/g, ' '));
console.log(result);
// END: Regex pattern
```

I need a regex that parse this CSV 1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S

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```
// BEGIN: Regex to split CSV string
const csvString = '1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S';
const regex = /,(?=(?:\"(?:\"|,)*\")(?:=,|$))/g;
const result = csvString.split(regex);
console.log(result);
// END: Regex to split CSV string
```

# Github Copilot

```
I need a regex that parse this CSV 1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S
```

Accept Discard ↕ ↻ Changed 12 lines 📄 🗑️

```
const csvString = '1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S';
const regexPattern = /(?:^|,)(?:("[^"]*"|'[^']*'|[\w.,-]+)*)/g;
const parsedArray = [];
let match;

while ((match = regexPattern.exec(csvString))) {
  parsedArray.push(match[1] || match[2]);
}

console.log(parsedArray);
```

```
I need a regex that parse this CSV 1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S
```

Accept Discard ↕ ↻ Changed 7 lines 📄 🗑️

```
const csvString = '1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S';
const regex = /("[^"]*"|'[^']*'|[\w.,-]+)/g;
const result = csvString.match(regex);

console.log(result);
```

```
I need a regex that parse this CSV 1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S
```

Accept Discard ↕ ↻ Changed 7 lines 📄 🗑️

```
// BEGIN: regex
const csvString = '1,0,3,"Braund, Mr. Owen Harris", male,22,1,0,A/5 21171,7.25,,S';
const regexPattern = /("[^"]*"|'[^']*'|[\w.,-]+)(?:,|$)/g;
const csvArray = csvString.match(regexPattern).map((entry) => entry.replace(/^"(.*?)"/, '$1'));
console.log(csvArray);
// END: regex
```



# Github Copilot

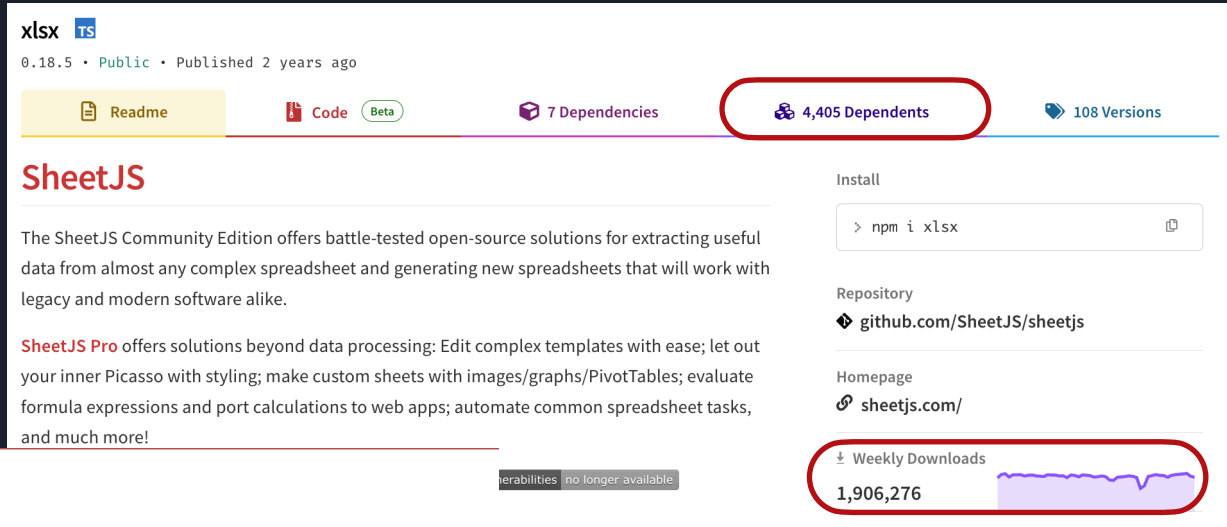
Regex vulneráveis	Regex não vulneráveis
4	3



# Google, Chat GPT e GitHub Copilot

Regex vulneráveis	Regex não vulneráveis
11	7

# Minha primeira CVE



The screenshot shows the npm package page for SheetJS. At the top, it displays the package name 'xlsx' with a TypeScript logo, version '0.18.5', and status 'Public'. Below this are navigation buttons for 'Readme', 'Code', 'Dependencies', '4,405 Dependents', and '108 Versions'. The main heading is 'SheetJS'. The description states: 'The SheetJS Community Edition offers battle-tested open-source solutions for extracting useful data from almost any complex spreadsheet and generating new spreadsheets that will work with legacy and modern software alike.' Below this, it mentions 'SheetJS Pro' offers solutions beyond data processing. On the right side, there is an 'Install' section with a terminal command: `> npm i xlsx`. Below that is the 'Repository' section with a link to 'github.com/SheetJS/sheetjs' and the 'Homepage' section with a link to 'sheetjs.com/'. At the bottom right, there is a 'Weekly Downloads' section showing a graph and the number '1,906,276'. A small grey box at the bottom left of the screenshot says 'vulnerabilities no longer available'.

## CVE-2024-22363

### Summary

All versions of SheetJS CE through 0.20.1 are vulnerable to "Regular Expression Denial of Service" (ReDoS). For more details, see <https://regexide.com>


### Categorization

CVSS Vector: CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H (Score 7.5 - High)

CWE-1333 Inefficient Regular Expression Complexity [1]

# Minha primeira CVE


## Why the move away from npm registry? #2667

 Closed JSIn opened this issue on Apr 26, 2022 · 24 comments



JSIn commented on Apr 26, 2022

I noticed from this [ed18acd](#) that you moved away from publishing to the npm registry and recommend people download using tarballs on the CDN. Why did you move away? The npm registry is an extremely common way to download packages.

 29 2



SheetJSDev commented on Apr 27, 2022

Contributor

Hi, sheetjs!

On May 31, 2022, your account will be enrolled in mandatory 2FA as you are a maintainer of xlsx, one of the Top-500 packages by dependents on the npm registry. Late last year, we [announced](#) our intent to enforce 2FA for all high-impact maintainers of package on the npm registry and on February 1, 2022, we [began rolling out](#) mandatory 2FA to our first cohort.

### How will this affect my account?

The package on the npm registry is surprisingly popular (one of the top-500 by dependents), npm invalidated the old publish token and is forcing 2FA on the publishing account.

Due to ongoing legal matters between SheetJS LLC and npm, Inc. (which will not be discussed here), it did not make sense to continue using the public npm registry for distribution.

With [GitHub](#) (the owner of NPM) [sunsetting the git.io domain with only 4 days notice](#), we are reminded of the ephemerality of the Internet and the inherent risks of relying on platforms.

## Remediation

Users should upgrade to version 0.20.2 or later. Official releases are available on the SheetJS CDN [2]. SheetJS CE documentation includes installation instructions for common deployments [7].

## Acknowledgements

Special thanks to [Asadbek Karimov](#) and [Jardel Matias](#) for discovering and helping to resolve the issue.

# Minha quase segunda CVE

nodemailer 

6.9.13 • Public • Published 17 days ago

 Readme

 Code Beta

 0 Dependencies

 6,911 Dependents


 269 Versions

## Nodemailer

Install

```
> npm i nodemailer
```

Repository

 [github.com/nodemailer/nodemailer](https://github.com/nodemailer/nodemailer)

Homepage

 [nodemailer.com/](https://nodemailer.com/)

 Weekly Downloads

3,150,937



## nodemailer ReDoS when trying to send a specially crafted email

Moderate severity GitHub Reviewed Published on Jan 31 in nodemailer/nodemailer Updated on Feb 1

Vulnerability details Dependabot alerts 0

Package	Affected versions	Patched versions
 nodemailer (npm)	<= 6.9.8	6.9.9

Severity

Moderate 5.3 / 10

CVSS base metrics

Attack vector	Network
Attack complexity	Low
Privileges required	None
User interaction	None
Scope	Unchanged
Confidentiality	None
Integrity	None
Availability	Low

CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:L

Weaknesses

[CWE-1333](#)

CVE ID

No known CVE

GHSA ID

[GHSA-9h6g-pr28-7cqp](#)

Description

### Summary

A ReDoS vulnerability occurs when nodemailer tries to parse img files with the parameter `attachDataUrls` set, causing the stuck of event loop.

Another flaw was found when nodemailer tries to parse an attachments with an embedded file, causing the stuck of event loop.

### Details

Regex: `/^data:(?![^;]);(?![^}]),(.*?)$`

Path: `compile -> getAttachments -> _processDataUri`

Regex: `/(<img\b[^\>]* src\s*=[\s"']*)(data:[^;]+;[^\>]*\s+)`

Path: `_convertDataImages`

### PoC

<https://gist.github.com/francoatmega/890dd5053375333e40c6fdbcc8c58df6>

<https://gist.github.com/francoatmega/9aab042b0b24968d7b7039818e8b2698>





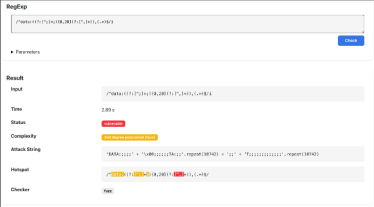
# Fun facts

Jardel Matias  
Para: andris@reinman.eu

Responder Responder a todos Encaminhar

Ter, 20/02/2024 02:24

I'm sorry about that, I don't like being an annoying guy, but the [fix](#) for the ReDoS flaw that I mentioned still persists, the main point is:



I recommend you this [link](#) to check vulnerable regex, it is not a 100% guarantee, but during my tests it almost never failed.

Best regards,  
Jardel Matias

## v6.9.10

6.9.10 (2024-02-22)


### Bug Fixes

- **data-uri:** Do not use regular expressions for parsing data URI schemes ([12e65e9](#))
- **data-uri:** Moved all data-uri regexes to use the non-regex parseDataUri method ([edd5dfe](#))


### Assets 2

👍 5 You and 4 others reacted

# Fun facts



```
473 - let parts = (content.path || content.href).match(/^data:(?:[^\;]*)(?:[^\,]*),(.*)$/i);
474 - if (!parts) {
522 + let parsedDataUri = module.exports.parseDataURI(content.path || content.href);
523 +
524 + if (!parsedDataUri || !parsedDataUri.data) {
```



```
parseDataURI(uri) {
! + let input = uri;
565 + let commaPos = input.indexOf(',');
566 + if (!commaPos) {
567 + return uri;
568 + }
569 +
570 + let data = input.substring(commaPos + 1);
571 + let metaStr = input.substring('data:'.length, commaPos);
572 +
573 + let encoding;
574 +
575 + let metaEntries = metaStr.split(';');
576 + let lastMetaEntry = metaEntries.length > 1 ? metaEntries[metaEntries.length - 1] : false;
577 + if (lastMetaEntry && lastMetaEntry.indexOf('=') < 0) {
578 + encoding = lastMetaEntry.toLowerCase();
579 + metaEntries.pop();
580 + }
581 +
582 + let contentType = metaEntries.shift() || 'application/octet-stream';
583 + let params = {};
584 + for (let entry of metaEntries) {
585 + let sep = entry.indexOf('=');
586 + if (sep >= 0) {
587 + let key = entry.substring(0, sep);
588 + let value = entry.substring(sep + 1);
589 + params[key] = value;
```

# Fun facts



```
421 + module.exports.parseDataURI = uri => {
422 +   let input = uri;
423 +   let commaPos = input.indexOf(',');
424 +   if (!commaPos) {
425 +     return uri;
426 +   }
427 +
428 +   let data = input.substring(commaPos + 1);
429 +   let metaStr = input.substring('data:'.length, commaPos);
430 +
431 +   let encoding;
432 +
433 +   let metaEntries = metaStr.split(';');
434 +   let lastMetaEntry = metaEntries.length > 1 ? metaEntries[metaEntries.length - 1] : false;
435 +   if (lastMetaEntry && lastMetaEntry.indexOf('=') < 0) {
436 +     encoding = lastMetaEntry.toLowerCase();
437 +     metaEntries.pop();
438 +   }
439 +
440 +   let contentType = metaEntries.shift() || 'application/octet-stream';
441 +   let params = {};
442 +   for (let entry of metaEntries) {
443 +     let sep = entry.indexOf('=');
444 +     if (sep >= 0) {
445 +       let key = entry.substring(0, sep);
446 +       let value = entry.substring(sep + 1);
447 +       params[key] = value;
448 +     }

```

```
537 537 * @return {Object} Parsed element
538 538 */
539 539 _processDataUrl(element) {
```

```
540 -   let parts = (element.path || element.href).match(/^data:((?:[^\;]*;){0,20}(?:[^\,]*)),(.*)$/i);
541 -   if (!parts) {
540 +     let parsedDataUri;
541 +     if ((element.path || element.href).match(/^data:/)) {
542 +       parsedDataUri = this.parseDataURI(element.path || element.href);
543 +     }
544 +
545 +     if (!parsedDataUri) {
```



# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?

- Utilize bibliotecas de terceiros.
- Evite criar regex que possam levar a resultados ambíguos, evite agrupamentos com repetições ou alternância. Como por exemplo:

```
^data:(\w*\w*),*(charset=[\w=]*)*;$
```

```
^[a-zA-Z0-9](([-.]|[_])?([a-zA-Z0-9]+))*(@){1}[a-z0-9]+[.]{1}(([a-z]{2,3})|([a-z]{2,3}[.]{1}{a-z}{2,3}))$
```

```
^-?\d*[\d.]+,\d{2}$
```

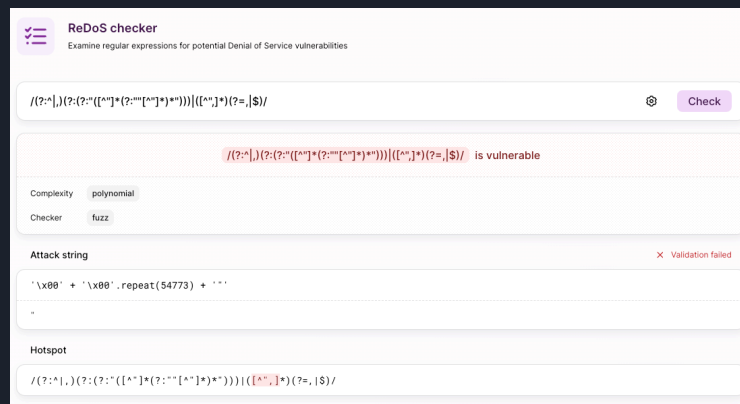
```
^(a|a)*$
```

- Utilize engines de regex que não sejam vulneráveis a backtracing, como por exemplo a re2 da Google.\*
- Mantenham suas dependências atualizadas.

\*Linguagens como Go e Rust não são vulneráveis.

# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?

- Valide as suas regex
- <https://devina.io/redos-checker>
- Projeto **recheck**
- Biblioteca JS, biblioteca Scala e Plugin ESLint
- <https://makenowjust-labs.github.io/recheck/>



**ReDoS checker**  
Examine regular expressions for potential Denial of Service vulnerabilities

`/(?:,)(?:([*](?:[*]*)))([*](?=[S])/`

`/(?:,)(?:([*](?:[*]*)))([*](?=[S])/` is vulnerable

Complexity: polynomial  
Checker: fuzz

Attack string ✗ Validation failed  
`'\x00' + '\x00'.repeat(54773) + ''`

Hotspot  
`/(?:,)(?:([*](?:[*]*)))([*](?=[S])/`





# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?

- Utilize as funcionalidades da linguagem que você utiliza
- C# (Backtrack abortion)

## Regex.MatchTimeout Property

Reference

[Feedback](#)

### Definition

Namespace: [System.Text.RegularExpressions](#)

Assembly: [System.Text.RegularExpressions.dll](#)

Source: [Regex.Timeout.cs](#)

Gets the time-out interval of the current instance.

C#

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```
public TimeSpan MatchTimeout { get; }
```

# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?

## Linear regex algorithm #51659



francoatmega opened this issue on Feb 4 · 4 comments



francoatmega commented on Feb 4 · edited

### What is the problem this feature will solve?

Recently, we have witnessed a surge in ReDoS (Regular Expression Denial of Service) issues, and the root cause behind these occurrences lies in the regex engine we employ for matching patterns. There is a library called `re2`, which serves as a wrapper for Google's `re2` engine. This library resolves all regex patterns in linear time, albeit lacking support for backreferences and look-arounds.

Upon researching this matter, it becomes evident that prominent projects are grappling with this problem. Languages such as [Rust](#) and [Go](#) have successfully mitigated these issues long ago. Considering the impact of ReDoS on Node.js, particularly its tendency to stall the event loop, it seems prudent to integrate this functionality into the Node.js codebase.

For further insights into the severity of ReDoS vulnerabilities, you may refer to the following resources:

<https://snyk.io/blog/redos-vulnerabilities-in-npm-spikes-by-143-and-xss-continues-to-grow/>

<https://swtch.com/~rsc/regexp/regexp1.html>



rluvaton commented on Feb 5

Member

Since RegExp is part of [ECMAScript](#) and therefore the JS engine should implement this and not NodeJS, you can open issue in the V8 issue tracking



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# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?

Aurele-Barriere commented on Feb 6

Have you looked into using the "Experimental" regex engine in V8, available in Node?

It has been described here:

<https://v8.dev/blog/non-backtracking-regexp>

It uses exactly the Thompson NFA simulation algorithm described in the blog post you linked.

You can start node with `node --enable-experimental-regexp-engine`.

Then, a new Regex flag is available, `l`.

Any regex with the `l` flag will be executed using the linear Experimental engine.

For instance, if I define `const re = /(a*)*b/`,

Using the usual backtracking algorithm on a string of "a"s (for instance `"a".repeat(1000).match(re)`), it takes forever.

But if I define instead `const re = /(a*)*b/l` with the `l` flag, then `"a".repeat(1000).match(re)` finishes almost immediately.

As you said, this engine lacks support for backreferences and lookarounds.

However, a recent commit adds support for lookbehinds without capture groups inside:

<https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/v8/v8/+5093860>

Is this Experimental engine what you are looking for?



# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?

Claudia <impinball@gmail.com>

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You may be interested in the following links:

- <https://v8.dev/blog/non-backtracking-regexp>
- <https://es.discourse.group/t/safe-regexp-engine-to-prevent-redos-attack/450/6>
- <https://es.discourse.group/t/re2-consider-having-it-as-alternative-engine-choice/1388/15>

V8 does impose a bound currently on some regexps, but not all.

On Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 4:59:04AM UTC-8 [jardelm...@gmail.com](mailto:jardelm...@gmail.com) wrote:

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To solve this problem maybe we can implementing a regex algorithm that operates in linear time, such as the Thompson implementation detailed in this [link](#), is a worthwhile endeavor.

A had open the issues in Node Js issues page, take a look <https://github.com/nodejs/node/issues/51659>

Best regards,

Jardel Matias

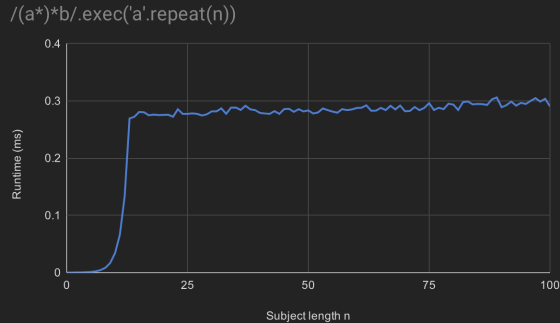
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## An additional non-backtracking RegExp engine

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Starting with v8.8, V8 ships with a new experimental non-backtracking RegExp engine (in addition to the existing [Irregexp engine](#)) which guarantees execution in linear time with respect to the size of the subject string. The experimental engine is available behind the feature flags mentioned below.



Runtime of `/(a*)*b/.exec('a'.repeat(n))` for  $n \leq 100$

Here's how you can configure the new RegExp engine:

- `--enable-experimental-regexp-engine-on-excessive-backtracks` enables the fallback to the non-backtracking engine on excessive backtracks.
- `--regexp-backtracks-before-fallback N` (default  $N = 50,000$ ) specifies how many backtracks

The fallback mechanism does not apply to all patterns. For the fallback mechanism to kick in, the RegExp must:

- not contain backreferences,
- not contain lookaheads or lookbehinds,
- not contain large or deeply nested finite repetitions, as in e.g. `/a{200,500}/`, and
- not have the `u` (Unicode) or `i` (case insensitive) flags set.

## Background: catastrophic backtracking

RegExp matching in V8 is handled by the Irregexp engine. Irregexp jit-compiles RegExps to specialized native code (or [bytecode](#)) and is thus extremely fast for most patterns. For some patterns, however, Irregexp's runtime can blow up exponentially in the size of the input string. The example above, `/(a*)*b/.exec('a'.repeat(100))`, does not finish within our lifetimes if executed by Irregexp.

So what's going on here? Irregexp is a *backtracking* engine. When faced with a choice of how a match can continue, Irregexp explores the first alternative in its entirety, and then backtracks if necessary to explore the second alternative. Consider for instance matching the pattern `abc| [az][by][0-9]/` against the subject string `'ab3'`. Here Irregexp tries to match `/abc/` first and fails after the second character. It then backtracks by two characters and successfully matches the second alternative `/ [az][by][0-9]/`. In patterns with quantifiers such as `/(abc)*xyz/`, Irregexp has to choose after a match of the body whether to match the body again or to continue with the remaining pattern.

Let's try to understand what's going on when matching `/(a*)*b/` against a smaller subject string, say `'aaa'`. This pattern contains nested quantifiers, so we're asking Irregexp to match a *sequence* of `'a'`, and then match `'b'`. Clearly there is no match because the subject string does not contain `'b'`. However, `/(a*)*/` matches, and it does so in exponentially many different ways:

```
'aaa'      'aa', 'a'      'aa', ''
'a', 'aa'  'a', 'a', 'a'  'a', 'a', ''
...
```



# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?

- Habilitar a feature flag `--enable-experimental-regexp-engine`
- Adicionar a flag `/` nas regex
- Be happy ;)

# Como prevenir ataques ReDoS?



Talk is cheap. Show me the code.

(Linus Torvalds)



# Referências

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# Dúvidas



# Post sobre ReDos

## ReDoS for fun and stuck



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### What is a regular expression?

A regular expression (regex) is a sequence of characters that specify a search pattern. It is defined as a formal language and originated from the studies of the mathematician Stephen Cole Kleene in the 50s.

### Where are regular expressions used?

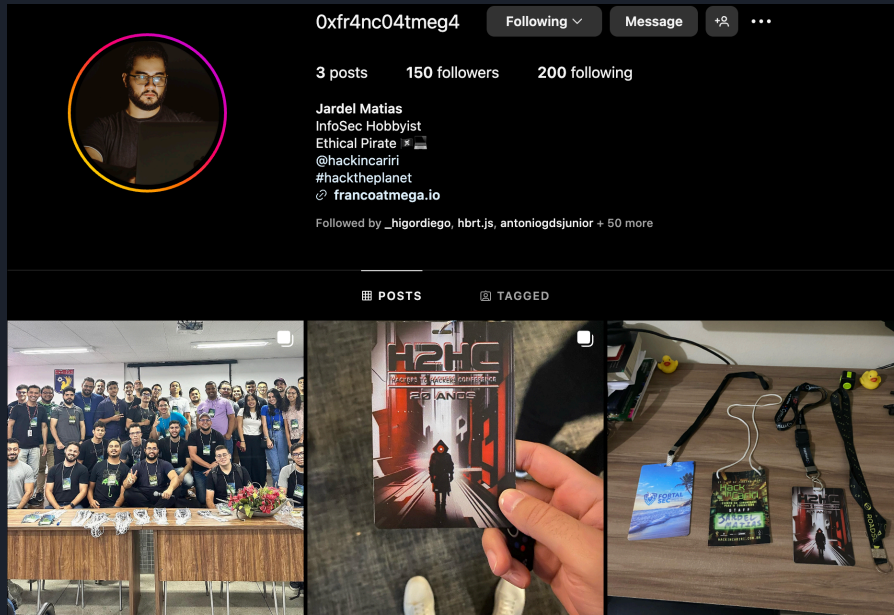
Regular expressions specify patterns, so they are widely used for data validation and extraction. Below is an example of a regex that identifies whether a given text is a IP address:

```
\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}
```






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