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Introduction

Flexera's Software Vulnerability Manager is a software vulnerability and patch management solution that facilitates a customized patch management process. It combines vulnerability and threat intelligence, end point assessment, and patch creation and publishing enable an informed and rapid patch management.

Software Vulnerability Manager can assess software vulnerabilities for both Microsoft and non-Microsoft (thirdparty) product vulnerabilities covering Microsoft Windows, macOS, and Red Hat Enterprise Linux. The results of this assessment are connected to our vulnerability and threat intelligence to allow for effective prioritization. Finally, third party patches may be created and published to remediate endpoints using Microsoft[®] WSUS (often in conjunction with System Center Configuration Manager), via Microsoft[®] Intune or VMware[®] Workspace One.

New Features and Enhancements

Software Vulnerability Manager (Cloud Edition) includes the following new features and enhancements:

- SVM Patch Publisher
- Windows Environment Variable Support for Scan Paths
- New Settings for Java Assessment

Binary Versions

For additional details, see SVM September Update release blog in our community.

Note • To see the following new features and enhancements in your Software Vulnerability Manager (Cloud Edition) interface, you must refresh your browser's cache (press Ctrl+F5).

SVM Patch Publisher

This release introduces a new tool - SVM Patch Publisher.

SVM Patch Publisher inherits its current functionalities from the **Patch Daemon**. **SVM Patch Publisher** enables you to configure connections to the SVM server and to the supported end point management systems. The tool polls SVM on a configured frequency to look for new patches resulting either from a manual publish or **Patch Automation** to publish patches to the specified end point management system. This new tool will have additional functionalities and will completely replace the **Patch Daemon** soon.

Upon installing the new tool, SVM Patch Publisher shortcut will be created on the desktop to launch the tool.

1	SVM Patch Publisher
Restart Force Save Help Feedback About S	VM Patch lisher
Settings	SVM Connection
SVM Connection Distribution Systems	Properties Server Type : Cloud Site Url : Use SSU
Manage Patches (Coming soon) Patches	Site un :
	Check-In Settings
	Check-In Frequency : 2 Days 1 D Hours 10 Minutes
	Logging Settings
	Log Level : LogAlways Log File : C:\ProgramData\Flexera Software\SVM Patch\sympatch.log

For more information, see SVM Patch Publisher.

Windows Environment Variable Support for Scan Paths

You can now add environment variables to the **Allow list** and **Block list** in the **Scan Paths** view under **Scanning** menu. The environment variables will be resolved to the full path by the windows agent while scanning a host and will appropriately be either scanned or skipped.

For Example:

If **%windir%** is added to the Block list in the Scan Paths, then the agent will skip **C:\Windows** folder and its subfolders while scanning a host.

New Scan Path F	Rule for Allow list	×
Name:	Windows Directory	
	Note: Paths are case-insensitive.	
Path:	%windir%	
Site (optional):		1
	Save Cancel	

New Settings for Java Assessment

A new setting for Java assessment is added to the **Settings** page under **Configuration** menu. This setting allows to you specify if you want to detect Java instances in the standard installation directories alone or in all the directories.

Java Assessment Settings
I want to detect all instances of Java, including those included with other applications which cannot be remediated by a Java patch. By default, only standard installation directories are considered as only they can be directly patched. To patch vulnerable versions of Java embedded in other applications, such applications need to be patched versus trying to update Java directly. If enabling detection anywhere Java is found, look to the detected paths to determine which can or cannot be patched directly.(?)
Oetect Java only in standard installation directories where it can be patched
O Detect Java in any directories where it is found, including those that cannot be directly patched

Binary Versions

The following version of the binaries provided are:

- SVM ActiveX Plug-in v7.6.0.18
- Single Host Agent v7.6.0.18
- SVM Daemon v7.6.0.18
- SVM System Center Plugin v7.6.0.18
- SVM Patch Publisher v6.0.547 (to download, click here)
- SVM Cloud Client Toolkit v5.0.547 (to download, click here)

This toolkit contains offline utilities such as the Multi-partition Reporting Tool, WSUS Management Tool and Client Data Tool which add value to SVM. This toolkit does not consists of Patch Daemon. This toolkit is for SVM Cloud edition only.

Patch Daemon will be deprecated in the future; therefore, you are encouraged to migrate to the new SVM Patch Publisher tool.

• SVM On-Prem Client Toolkit v5.0.547 (to download, click here)

This toolkit contains Patch Daemon and offline utilities such as the Multi-partition Reporting Tool, WSUS Management Tool and Client Data Tool which add value to SVM.

Known Issues

The following table lists the known issues in Software Vulnerability Manager (Cloud Edition):

Issue	Description
IOJ-2219983	Advisories smart group is showing SAID without description and other details.

Resolved Issues

The following table lists the customer issues that were resolved in Software Vulnerability Manager (Cloud Edition):

Issue	Description
IOJ-2177891	Oracle Java JDK 1.8.x is not detecting on a specific path.
IOJ-2210222	The patch names are appended with a suffice such as 'From Wizard' when published to Intune/WSUS/SCCM.

Community Blogs

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https://community.flexera.com/t5/Software-Vulnerability/bd-p/SVM-Discussion

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