# **Kernel Pwn Cheat Sheet**

# **Kernel Version**

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## Rturn to usermode

• swapgs restore regs and return to usermode

## **Structures**

structure	slab	flag	memo
shm_file_data	32	GFP_KERNEL	
seq_operations	32	GFP_KERNEL_ACCOUNT	/proc/self/stat
msg_msg	64 ~ 1024	GFP_KERNEL_ACCOUNT	
msg_msgseg	8 ~ 1024	GFP_KERNEL_ACCOUNT	
subprocess_info	128	GFP_KERNEL	socket(22, AF_INET, 0);
timerfd_ctx	256	GFP_KERNEL	
tty_struct	1024	GFP_KERNEL	/dev/ptmx
pipe_buffer	1024	GFP_KERNEL_ACCOUNT	
setxattr	8 ~	GFP_KERNEL	

#### shm file data

• do shmat

## seq\_operations

- proc stat init
  - stat proc ops
- stat open
  - single open size
    - single open
- seq read iter
  - m->op->start

## msg\_msg / msg\_msgseg

- do msgsnd
  - load msg
    - alloc msg
- do msgrcv
  - #define MSG\_COPY 040000

#### subprocess\_info

- sys socket
  - sock\_create
    - sock create
      - request module
        - call modprobe
          - call usermodehelper setup

#### timerfd\_ctx

- timerfd create
- timerfd release
  - kfree\_rcu

#### tty struct

- unix98 pty init
  - tty default fops
    - tty fops
- ptmx open
  - tty init dev
    - alloc tty struct
- tty ioctl
  - tty paranoia check
    - #define TTY\_MAGIC 0x5401
  - tty pair get tty
  - tty->ops->ioctl

#### pipe buffer

- do pipe2
  - do pipe flags
    - create pipe files
      - get pipe inode
        - alloc pipe info
      - pipefifo fops
- pipe release
  - put pipe info
    - free pipe info
      - pipe buf release
        - ops->release

#### setxattr

• <u>setxattr</u>

# **Variables**

variable	path	
modprobe_path	/proc/sys/kernel/modprobe	
core_pattern	/proc/sys/kernel/core_pattern	

# modprobe\_path

- do\_execve
  - do\_execveat\_common
    - bprm\_execve
      - exec\_binprm
        - search binary handler
          - request module
            - call modprobe
              - call\_usermodehelper\_setup
              - call\_usermodehelper\_exec

# core\_pattern

- <u>do coredump</u>
  - format corename
  - call\_usermodehelper\_setup
  - call\_usermodehelper\_exec