

# UNDERSTANDING ETERNALBLUE

ENPM696 Reverse Software Engineering

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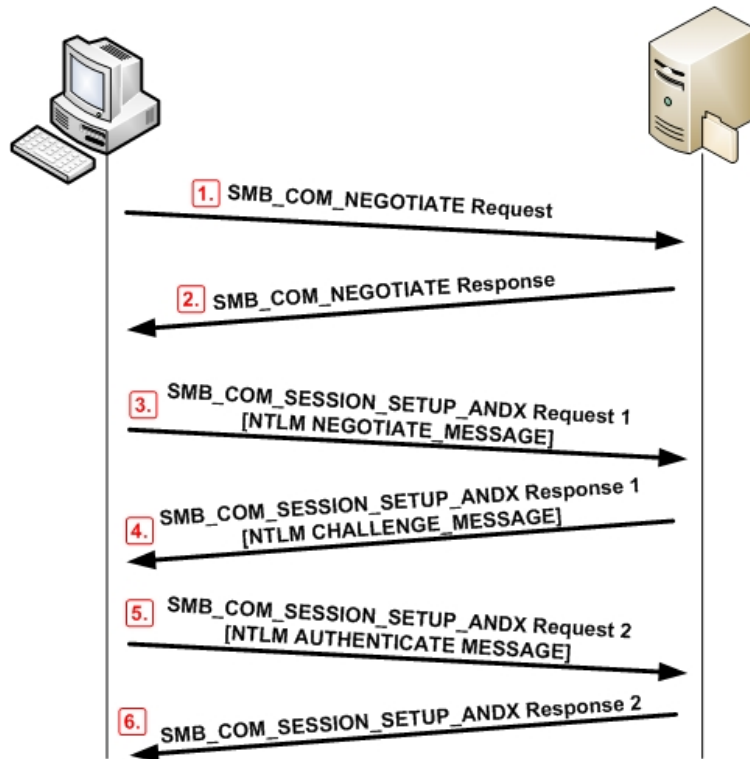
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# LET'S BEGIN!

- ◉ We are...
- ◉ Eternal blue is an exploitation tool
  - Execute remote shellcode
  - Created by NSA
  - Made public by Shadow Brokers
- ◉ Exploits vulnerabilities in SMB protocol
- ◉ Used in WannaCry

# SMB PROTOCOL CONT'D



- Server Message Block protocol
- Originally open-source and Linux based
  - Modified to operate on Windows
- Used for
  - Shared access to files, printers, and serial ports
  - Miscellaneous communications between nodes on a network
  - Mechanism for authenticated inter-process communication

# BUGS IN SMB PROTOCOL

## ⦿ Bug A - Wrong Casting Bug

- Occurs when converting File Extended Attributes(FEA) from Os2 structure to NT structure

## ⦿ Bug B - Wrong Parsing Function Bug

- Occurs when the wrong parsing function is called when transferring large parameter and data blocks

## ⦿ Bug C - Non-paged Pool Allocation Bug

- Allocates large chunk of memory in the kernel non-paged pool, where shellcode could be placed

BUG A  
WRONG CASTING BUG

# FEA FORMATS

## OS2

```
struct Os2Fea{
    UCHAR    ExtendedAttributeFlag; // Flags
    UCHAR    AttributeNameLengthInBytes; // Length of the AttributeName field
    USHORT   AttributeValueLengthInBytes; // Length of the AttributeValue field
    UCHAR    AttributeName[AttributeNameLengthInBytes + 1]; // Extended attribute name
    UCHAR    AttributeValue [AttributeValueLengthInBytes]; // Extended attribute value
}

struct Os2FeaList{
    ULONG    SizeOfListInBytes; // The total size of the FeaRecords + 4 bytes
    UCHAR    Os2FeaRecords[SizeOfListInBytes-4]; // A concatenated list of Os2Fea
}
```

## NT

```
struct NtFeaList{
    ULONG    NextEntryOffset; // offset to the next NtFea record of NtFeaList type
    UCHAR    Flags;
    UCHAR    NtFeaNameLength;
    USHORT   NtFeaValueLength;
    CHAR     NtFeaName[NtFeaNameLength];
    CHAR     NtFeaValue[NtFeaValueLength];
}
```

# INTERESTING FUNCTIONS

- Available in the `srv.sys` driver

1. `SrvOs2FeaListToNt`

Converts Os2 FEA List to NT FEA List

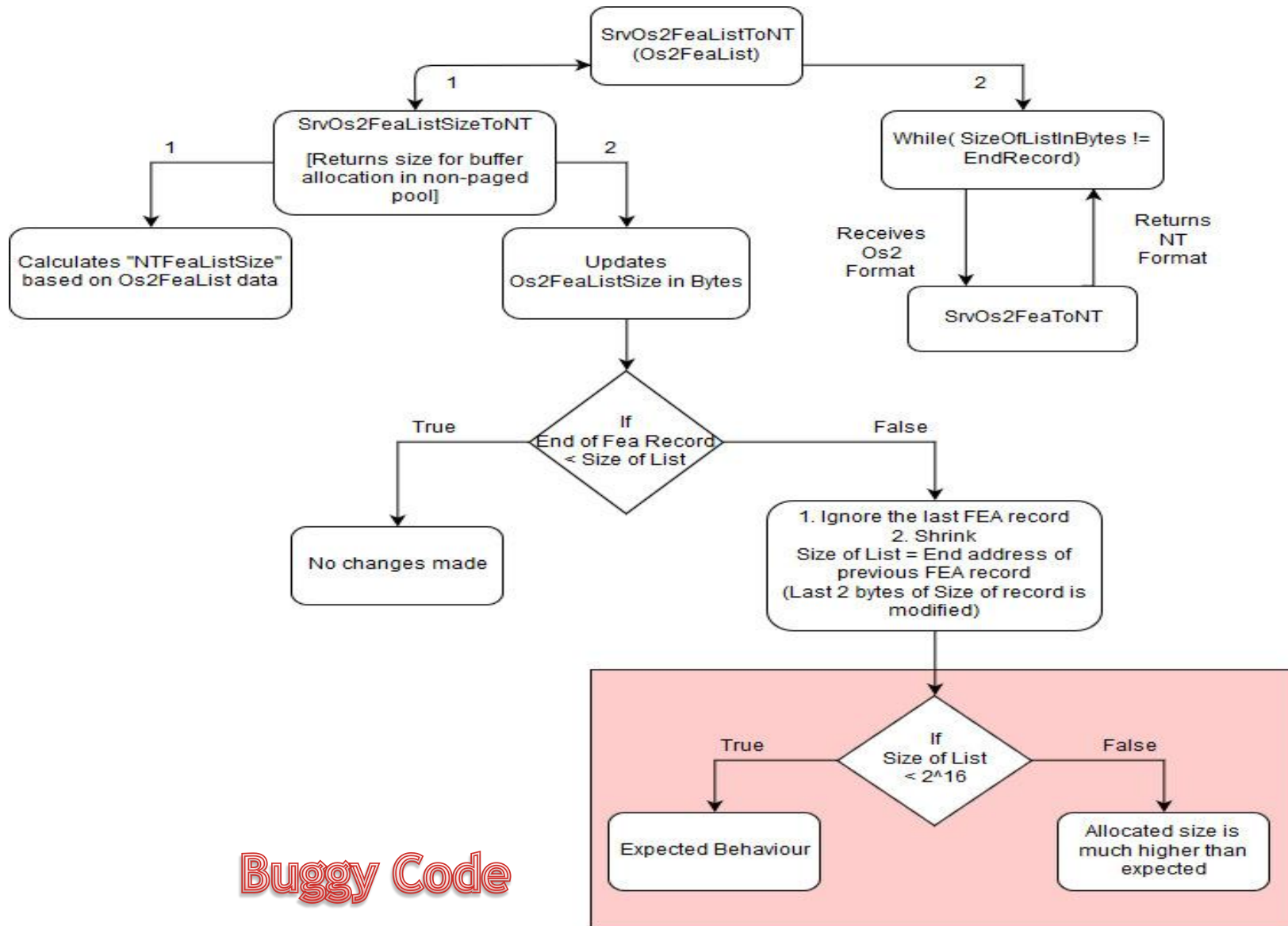
2. `SrvOs2FeaListSizeToNT`

Calculates the size needed to convert  
Os2FeaList structures into the appropriate  
NtFeaList structures

3. `SrvOs2FeaToNT`

Converts Os2 record to NT record

# CONTROL FLOW LOGIC



Buggy Code



# THE BUGGY FUNCTION

```
; Attributes: bp-based frame

; __stdcall SrvOs2FeaListSizeToNt(x)
_SrvOs2FeaListSizeToNt@4 proc near

NTFeaListSize= dword ptr -4
pOs2FeaList= dword ptr 8

mov     edi, edi
push    ebp
mov     ebp, esp
push    ecx
and     [ebp+NTFeaListSize], 0 ; Initializing local variable to 0
push    edi
mov     edi, [ebp+pOs2FeaList] ; edi = pOs2FeaList
mov     edx, [edi]             ; edx=SizeOfListInBytes
add     edx, edi               ; edx=AddrOfEndOfRecords
lea     ecx, [edi+4]           ; ecx=StartOfFirstRecord
cmp     ecx, edx               ; AddrOfFirstRecord > AddrOfEndRecord -->True
; True says no valid records
jnb     short returnFeaListSize ; ja to no valid records
```

```
push    ebx                   ; Store register state
push    esi                   ; Store register state
```

```
while (*CurrentOs2FeaRecord.AttributeName < EndOfAddressOfOs2FeaList)

whileCondition:               ; Move next record to ebx
lea     ebx, [ecx+4]
cmp     ebx, edx               ; Compare current record with last record address
jnb     short BugA_loc        ; Jump to Loop end when ebx(current record address) > edx(last record address)
```

# THE BUGGY FUNCTION CON'T

```
while (*CurrentOs2FeaRecord.AttributeName < EndOfAddressOfOs2FeaList)

whileCondition:      ; Move next record to ebx
lea    ebx, [ecx+1]
cmp    ebx, edx      ; Compare current record with last record address
jnb    short BugA_loc ; Jump to loop end when ebx(current record address) > edx(last record address)
```

```
if(&CurrentOs2FeaRecord.AttributeName[currentOs2FeaRecordSize + 1] >
EndAddressOfOs2FeaList)
movzx  eax, word ptr [ecx+2] ; eax=CurrentOs2FeaRecord.AttributeValueLengthInBytes
movzx  esi, byte ptr [ecx+1] ; esi=CurrentOs2FeaRecord.AttributeNameLengthInBytes
add    esi, eax             ; It calculates length of current record.
lea    eax, [esi+ebx+1] ; eax = EndOfCurrentOs2FeaRecordAddress
cmp    eax, edx             ; compare CurrentRecordAddress with EndOfRecordAddress
ja     short BugA_loc      ; If True: Remove current record and shrink it
```

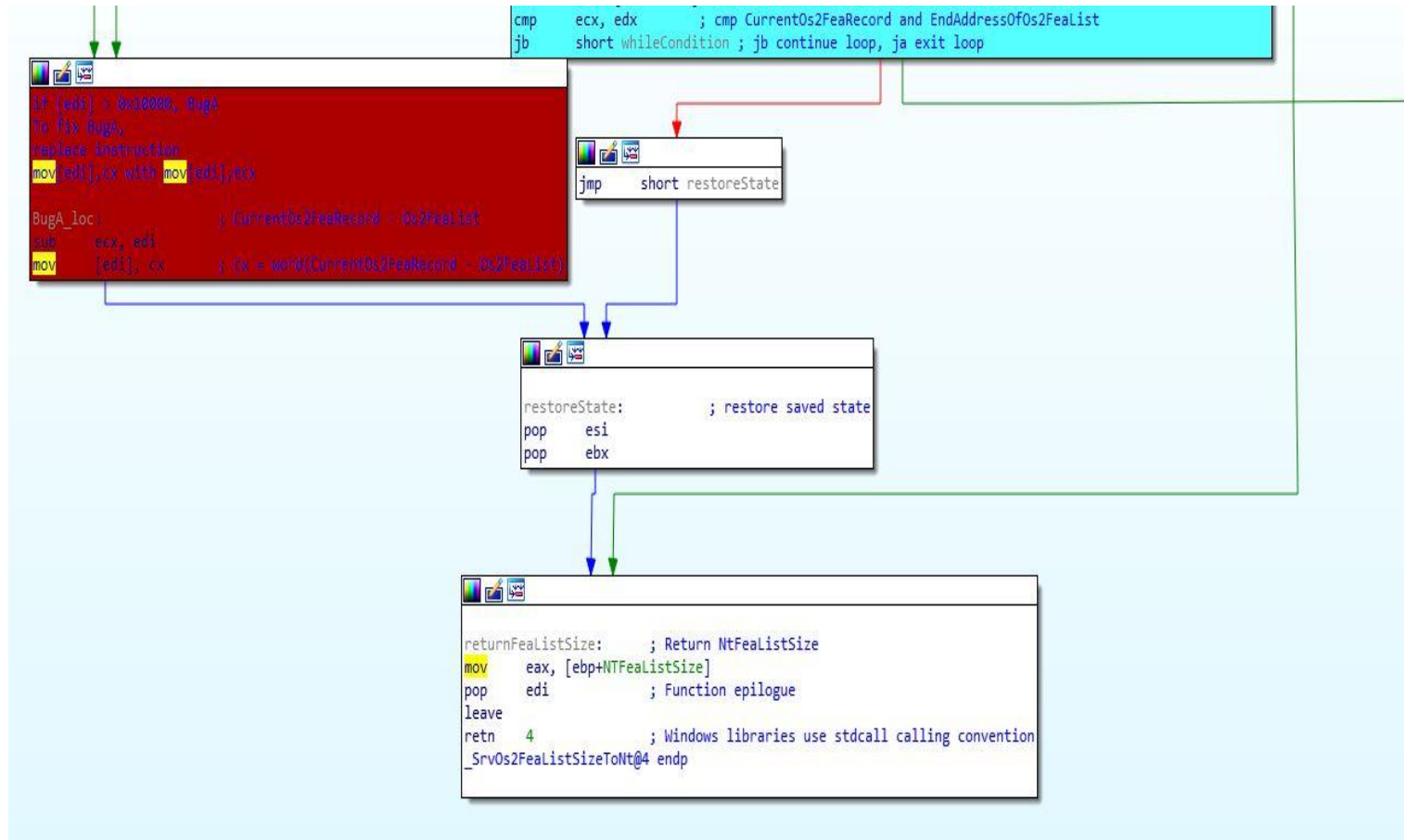
```
if ((RtlSizeTAdd(NtFeaListSize, (CurrentOs2FeaRecordSize + 12) &
0xffffffffc, &NtFeaListSize)&0x80000000)!=0)
lea    eax, [esi+0Ch]
and    eax, 0FFFFFFFCh ; 4-byte Alignment
add    [ebp+NtFeaListSize], eax ; mov esi value to NtFeaListSize variable
lea    ecx, [ecx+esi+5] ; CurrentOs2FeaRecord = CurrentOs2FeaRecord + CurrentOs2FeaRecordSize + 5
cmp    ecx, edx          ; cmp CurrentOs2FeaRecord and EndAddressOfOs2FeaList
jnb    short whileCondition ; jb continue loop, ja exit loop
```

```
if [edi] > 0x10000, BugA
To fix BugA,
replace instruction
mov[edi],cx with mov[edi],ecx
```

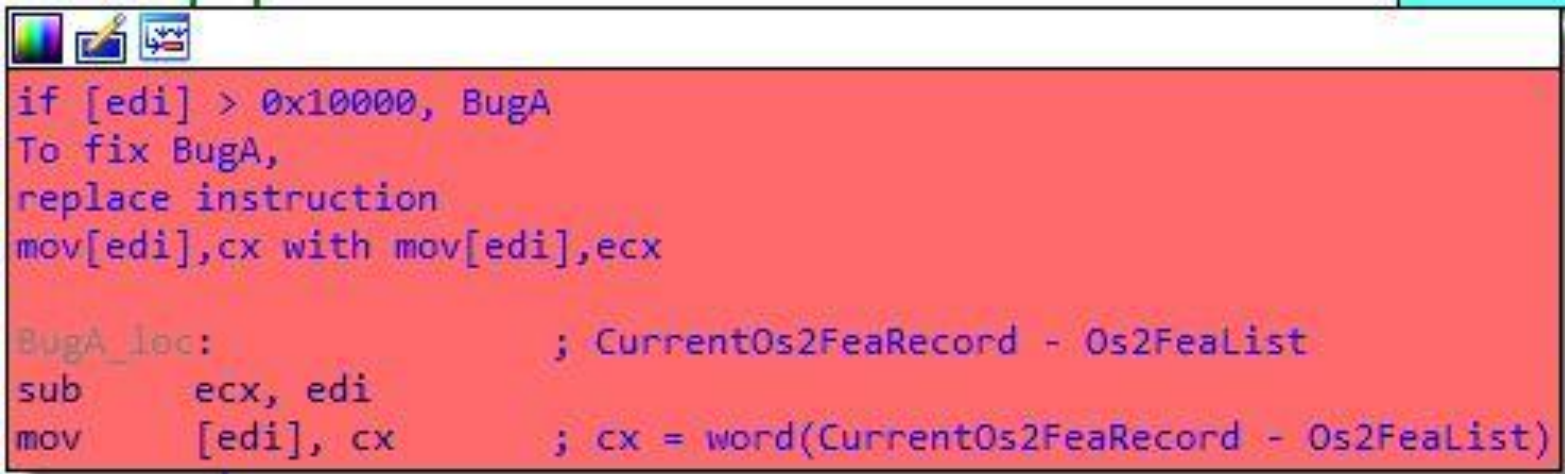
```
BugA_loc:      ; CurrentOs2FeaRecord - Os2FeaList
sub    ecx, edi
mov    [edi], cx ; cx = word(CurrentOs2FeaRecord - Os2FeaList)
```

```
jmp    short restoreState
```

# THE BUGGY FUNCTION CON'T



# THE BUGGY CODE



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BugA_loc:                ; CurrentOs2FeaRecord - Os2FeaList
sub    ecx, edi
mov    [edi], cx          ; cx = word(CurrentOs2FeaRecord - Os2FeaList)
```

# PSEUDOCODE

```
...  
NtFeaListSize = 0  
EndAddressOfOs2FeaList = (char *)Os2FeaList + Os2FeaList->SizeOfListInBytes  
CurrentOs2FeaRecord = &Os2FeaList->FeaRecords;  
  
if(CurrentOs2FeaRecord < EndAddressOfOs2FeaList){  
    while(CurrentOs2FeaRecord->AttributeName < EndAddressOfOs2FeaList)  
    {  
        CurrentOs2FeaRecordSize = CurrentOs2FeaRecord->AttributeValueLengthInByters + CurrentOs2FeaRecord->AttributeNameLengthInBytes;  
  
        //The conditions to this break are:  
        //1. The start address of the AttributeName variable in CurrentFeaRecord is smaller than the EndAddressOfFeaList  
        //2. The end address of CurrentFeaRecord is bigger than the EndAddressOfFeaList  
  
        if(&CurrentOs2FeaRecord->AttributeName[CurrentOs2FeaRecordSize + 1] > EndAddressOfOs2FeaList)  
            break;  
    }  
    ...  
}  
...
```

BUG B

WRONG PARSING FUNCTION BUG

# DATA RELATED FUNCTIONS

## SMB\_COM\_TRANSACTION2

```
SMB_Parameters
{
    UCHAR    WordCount;
    Words
    {
        USHORT TotalParameterCount;
        USHORT TotalDataCount;
        USHORT MaxParameterCount;
        USHORT MaxDataCount;
        UCHAR  MaxSetupCount;
        UCHAR  Reserved1;
        USHORT Flags;
        ULONG  Timeout;
        USHORT Reserved2;
        USHORT ParameterCount;
        USHORT ParameterOffset;
        USHORT DataCount;
        USHORT DataOffset;
        UCHAR  SetupCount;
        UCHAR  Reserved3;
        USHORT Setup[SetupCount];
    }
}
SMB_Data
{
    USHORT ByteCount;
    Bytes
    {
        UCHAR Name;
        UCHAR Pad1[];
        UCHAR Trans2_Parameters[ParameterCount];
        UCHAR Pad2[];
        UCHAR Trans2_Data[DataCount];
    }
}
```

## SMB\_COM\_NT\_TRANSACT

```
SMB_Parameters
{
    UCHAR    WordCount;
    Words
    {
        UCHAR  MaxSetupCount;
        USHORT Reserved1;
        ULONG  TotalParameterCount;
        ULONG  TotalDataCount;
        ULONG  MaxParameterCount;
        ULONG  MaxDataCount;
        ULONG  ParameterCount;
        ULONG  ParameterOffset;
        ULONG  DataCount;
        ULONG  DataOffset;
        UCHAR  SetupCount;
        USHORT Function;
        USHORT Setup[SetupCount];
    }
}
SMB_Data
{
    USHORT ByteCount;
    Bytes
    {
        UCHAR  Pad1[];
        UCHAR  NT_Trans_Parameters[ParameterCount];
        UCHAR  Pad2[];
        UCHAR  NT_Trans_Data[DataCount];
    }
}
```

# EXPLAINING THE FUNCTIONS

## ◉ SMB\_COM\_TRANSACTION2

- Provide support for a richer server-side file system semantics.
- Trans2 subcommands: allow clients to set and retrieve Extended Attribute key/value pairs, make use of long file names, perform directory searches, etc.

## ◉ SMB\_COM\_NT\_TRANSACT

- Extend the file system feature access offered by SMB\_COM\_TRANSACTION2.
- Allow for the transfer of very large parameter and data blocks.



# THE WRONG PARSING BUG

- ◉ If the data sent via `SMB_COM_TRANSACTION2` or by `SMB_COM_NT_TRANSACT` exceeds the `MaxBufferSize` established during session setup, or total data to send is bigger than `transmitted_data`, then the transaction uses the `SECONDARY` sub-command.
  - Each sub-command has a corresponding sub-command `_SECONDARY`.
  - The packets that follow the first sub-command have the corresponding `_SECONDARY` sub-command set as their command.
  - Ex.: `SMB_COM_NT_TRANSACT => SMB_COM_NT_TRANSACT_SECONDARY`

# THE WRONG PARSING BUG, CONT.

- ◉ In SMB\_COM\_TRANSACTION2, the maximum data that can be sent is represented by a parameter in the header of SMB\_COM\_TRANSACTION2 in the field of a Word size (0xFFFF).
- ◉ However, in SMB\_COM\_NT\_TRANSACT, the maximum data that can be sent is represented by a parameter in the header of SMB\_COM\_NT\_TRANSACT in the field of Dword size (0xFFFFFFFF).
- ◉ However, there is no validation for which function started the transaction. Thus, it's possible to send SMB\_COM\_NT\_TRANSACT followed by SMB\_COM\_TRANSACTION2\_SECONDARY. This situation can lead to wrong data parsing, and this bug enables Bug A by treating Dword as Word.

# BUG C

## NON-PAGED POOL ALLOCATION BUG

# CONFIGURING THE SMB SESSION

- ◉ An SMB\_COM\_SESSION\_SETUP\_ANDX request MUST be sent by a client to begin user authentication on an SMB connection and establish an SMB session.
  - At least one SMB\_COM\_SESSION\_SETUP\_ANDX MUST be sent to perform a user logon to the server and to establish a valid UID.
  - There are two formats for an SMB\_COM\_SESSION\_SETUP\_ANDX request: LM and NTLM authentication, and NTLMv2 (NTLM SSP).

# SMB\_COM\_SESSION\_SETUP\_ANDX

## LM and NTLM

```
SMB_Parameters
{
    UCHAR    WordCount;
    Words
    {
        UCHAR    AndXCommand;
        UCHAR    AndXReserved;
        USHORT   AndXOffset;
        USHORT   MaxBufferSize;
        USHORT   MaxMpxCount;
        USHORT   VcNumber;
        ULONG    SessionKey;
        USHORT   OEMPasswordLen;
        USHORT   UnicodePasswordLen;
        ULONG    Reserved;
        ULONG    Capabilities;
    }
}
SMB_Data
{
    USHORT   ByteCount;
    Bytes
    {
        UCHAR    OEMPassword[];
        UCHAR    UnicodePassword[];
        UCHAR    Pad[];
        SMB_STRING AccountName[];
        SMB_STRING PrimaryDomain[];
        SMB_STRING NativeOS[];
        SMB_STRING NativeLanMan[];
    }
}
```

## NTLMv2 (NTLM SSP)

```
SMB_Parameters
{
    UCHAR    WordCount;
    Words
    {
        UCHAR    AndXCommand;
        UCHAR    AndXReserved;
        USHORT   AndXOffset;
        USHORT   MaxBufferSize;
        USHORT   MaxMpxCount;
        USHORT   VcNumber;
        ULONG    SessionKey;
        USHORT   SecurityBlobLength;
        ULONG    Reserved;
        ULONG    Capabilities;
    }
}
SMB_Data
{
    USHORT   ByteCount;
    Bytes
    {
        UCHAR    SecurityBlob[SecurityBlobLength];
        SMB_STRING NativeOS[];
        SMB_STRING NativeLanMan[];
    }
}
```

## SMB\_COM\_SESSION\_SETUP\_ANDX, CONT.

- ◉ In both formats, the request is split into 2 sections:
  - SMB\_Parameters - Contains parameters of sizes between 1-4 bytes. The WordCount field represents the total length of SMB\_Parameters struct members in a Word size.
  - SMB\_Data - Contains data in a variable size. The ByteCount field represents the length of the SMB\_Data struct members section in bytes.
- ◉ Summing the size of the fields, in the first format, the WordCount equals 13 and in the second format (extended security), the WordCount equals 12.
- ◉ The SMB\_COM\_SESSION\_SETUP\_ANDX request is handled by the BlockingSessionSetupAndX function. This function wrongly calculates ByteCount, which leads to an allocation of controlled size - bigger than the packet data - in the non-paged pool.

# UNDERSTANDING THE BUG

- ◉ Sending an SMB\_COM\_SESSION\_SETUP\_ANDX request as Extended Security (WordCount 12) with CAP\_EXTENDED\_SECURITY, but without FLAGS2\_EXTENDED\_SECURITY, the request will be processed wrongly as an NT Security request (WordCount 13) by the GetNtSecurityParameters function.

# UNDERSTANDING THE BUG, CONT.

- ◉ As a result, the function reads ByteCount from the wrong offset in the struct, and allocates space in the non-paged kernel pool for NativeOs and NativeLanMan unicode strings.
  - This bug allows you to send a small packet that leads to a big allocation in the non-paged pool, which is used to create a big allocation as a placeholder.
  - This allocation will later be freed (creating a HOLE) and allocated again by an NtFea chunk that will overflow the next chunk.



# THE BUGGY CODE

Q Search			
Tag Scope			
Idx	Name	Blo...	Size
512	sub_35b98	332	5590
287	sub_3f1ae	293	4250
3...	sub_21420	268	4075
356	BlockingSessionSetupAndX	237	3584
351	sub_23133	171	2778
125	sub_158d1	147	2719
94	sub_55d2d	131	2449
341	sub_274c9	119	2108
419	sub_2a7a9	70	2064
172	sub_26c8f	131	2036
186	sub_1b680	147	1982

☒ Remove HI/LO macros ☒ Remove potentially dead code ☒ Remove NOPs ☐

```
int BlockingSessionSetupAndX() {
    edi = edi;
    var_20 = var_20 & 0x0;
    var_30 = var_30 & 0x0;
    esp = esp - 0x60;
    esi = ecx;
    eax = esi + 0x160;
    var_14 = esi;
    if (*(int8_t *)eax == 0x4c) {
        *(int8_t *)eax = 0x24;
    }
    esp = esp - 0x4;
    sub_118a0(esi);
    ebx = *(esi + 0x4c);
    if (*(int8_t *) (ebx + 0x1) != 0x2) goto loc_313b4;
loc_22267:
    ecx = *(esi + 0x6c);
    var_8 = 0x0;
    var_34 = *(esi + 0x74);
    var_2 = *(int8_t *) (ebx + 0x7b);
    eax = *(ebx + 0x60);
    esi = esi - 0x4;
```

# THE BUGGY CODE CON'T

```
}
edx = *(ebx + 0x12c);
edx = edx >> 0x1f & 0x1;
var_1 = edx;
if (edx != 0x0) {
    edx = *(int16_t *) (*(esi + 0x68) + 0xa);
    edx = edx >> 0xb & 0x1;
    var_1 = edx;
}
var_1C = (*(int16_t *) (*(esi + 0x68) + 0xa) & 0xffff) >> 0xf & 0x1;
if ((*(ebx + 0x60) > 0x1) || (edx == 0x0)) goto loc_31599;
```

```
goto loc_31599;

loc_31599:
stack[-104] = &var_28;
stack[-108] = &var_10;
esp = esp - 0x24;
eax = GetNtSecurityParameters(esi, &var_3C, &var_40, &var_14, &var_38, &var_54, &var_4C, stack[-108], stack[-104]);
var_C = eax;
if (eax >= 0x0) {
    var_8 = 0x0;
    stack[-104] = &var_4C;
    stack[-108] = &var_54;
    esp = esp - 0xc;
    eax = sub_23a3b(&var_8, stack[-108], stack[-104]);
    eax = var_8;
    if (eax != 0x0) {
        stack[-104] = &var_30;
        stack[-108] = var_24;
        esp = esp - 0x28;
        eax = sub_2b75f(eax + 0x80, eax, *(esi + 0x4c), &var_54, var_14, var_38, var_3C, var_40, stack[-108], stack[-104]);
        var_C = eax;
    }
    else {
        var_C = 0xc0000205;
    }
}
```

# THE BUGGY CODE CON'T

```
    }
    else {
        var_24 = 0x0;
    }
}
edx = *(ebx + 0x12c);
edx = edx >> 0x1f & 0x1;
var_1 = edx;
if (edx != 0x0) {
    edx = *(int16_t *) (*(esi + 0x68) + 0xa);
    edx = edx >> 0xb & 0x1;
    var_1 = edx;
}
var_1c = (*(int16_t *) (*(esi + 0x68) + 0xa) & 0xffff) >> 0xf & 0x1;
if ((*(ebx + 0x60) > 0x1) || (edx == 0x0)) goto loc_31599;
loc_22390:
COND = *(int8_t *) (ecx + 0x1) != 0xff;
var_38 = *(esi + 0x74);
if (COND) goto loc_314a8;
loc_223a0:
if (*(int16_t *) (ecx + 0x9) == 0x0) {
    esp = esp - 0x8;
    sub_22ae2(ebx, 0x0);
}
stack[-104] = &var_28;
stack[-108] = &var_10;
esp = esp - 0x14;
eax = GetExtendedSecurityParameters(esi, &var_40, &var_3c, stack[-108], stack[-104]);
var_c = eax;
if (eax < 0x0) goto loc_2252e;
loc_223d0:
eax = *(esi + 0x68);
eax = *(int16_t *) (eax + 0x1c) & 0xffff;
```

# THE BUGGY CODE CON'T

```
loc_223a0:
    if (*(int16_t*)(ecx + 0x9) == 0x0) {
        esp = esp - 0x8;
        sub_22ae2(ebx, 0x0);
    }
    stack[-104] = &var_28;
    stack[-108] = &var_10;
    esp = esp - 0x14;
    eax = GetExtendedSecurityParameters(esi, &var_40, &var_3C, stack[-108], stack[-104]);
    var_C = eax;
    if (eax < 0x0) goto loc_2252e;

loc_223d0:
    eax = *(esi + 0x68);
    eax = ~(int16_t)(eax + 0x1c) & 0xffff;
```

# SUMMARY

THANK YOU!