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# Dynamic Detection of Vulnerability Exploitation in Windows

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*Dynamisk detektion af udnyttelse af sårbarheder i Windows*

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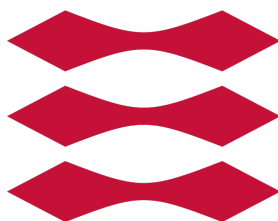
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### **Abstract**

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# Introduction

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## **1.1 Purpose**

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## **1.2 Thesis overview**

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## **1.3 Related work**

Purpose

# Tracing and logging

## 2.1 Windows telemetry

## 2.2 Event Tracing for Windows (ETW)

In the architecture of Event Tracing for Windows (ETW) events are at the centerpiece where they are created, managed and consumed by different event components[1]. These differentiate between event *providers*, event *consumers*, and event *controllers*. All of these event components handle the workflow of ETW, either by reading or writing, or by controlling the events in some way.

Add proper description of what ETW is.

### 2.2.1 Event components

#### Controllers

#### Providers

Providers are the system- and userland applications that provide events and data. They do so by registering themselves as a provider, allowing a controller to enable or disable events. By having the controller control whether events are enabled or not, allows an application to have tracing without generating alerts all the time. This is especially interesting for debugging purposes, which is usually not needed during regular usage.

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#### Consumers

# Vulnerability analysis

## 3.1 CVE-2020-24086

According to Microsoft[2] CVE-2021-24086 is a denial of service vulnerability with a CVSS:3.0 score of 7.5 / 6.5, that is a base score metrics of 7.5 and a temporal score metrics of 6.5. The vulnerability affects all supported versions of Windows and Windows Server. According to an accompanied blog post published by Microsoft [4] at the same time as the patch was released, details that the vulnerable component is the Windows TCP/IP implementation, and that the vulnerability revolves around IPv6 fragmentation. The Security Update guide and the blog post also present a workaround that can be used to temporarily mitigate the vulnerability by disabling IPv6 fragmentation.

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### 3.1.1 Public information

Due to the Microsoft Active Protections Program (MAPP)[3] security software providers are given early access to vulnerability information. This information often include Proof of Concept (PoC)s for vulnerabilities to be patched, in order to aid security software providers to create valid detections for exploitation of soon-to-be patched vulnerabilities. Due to MAPP, some security software providers publish relevant information regarding recently patched vulnerabilities. However, the information is usually very vague in details, and can therefore only aid in the initial exploration of the vulnerability. For CVE-2021-24086, both McAfee[6] and Palo Alto[5]

### 3.1.2 Patch diffing

### 3.1.3 Root-cause analysis

### 3.1.4 Triggering the vulnerability

# Detection

## 4.1 Event Tracing for Windows (ETW)

## 4.2 Hooking and DTrace

## 4.3 Implementation



# Scaling and extensibility

# Conclusion

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# Abbreviations

**ETW** Event Tracing for Windows. 3, 5

**MAPP** Microsoft Active Protetions Program. 4

**PoC** Proof of Concept. 4

# List of Figures

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# Appendices

## **.1 Class Diagrams**

### **.1.1 Worker class diagram**



