



# Analyse et contournement de la détection de préauthentification PKINIT de MDI

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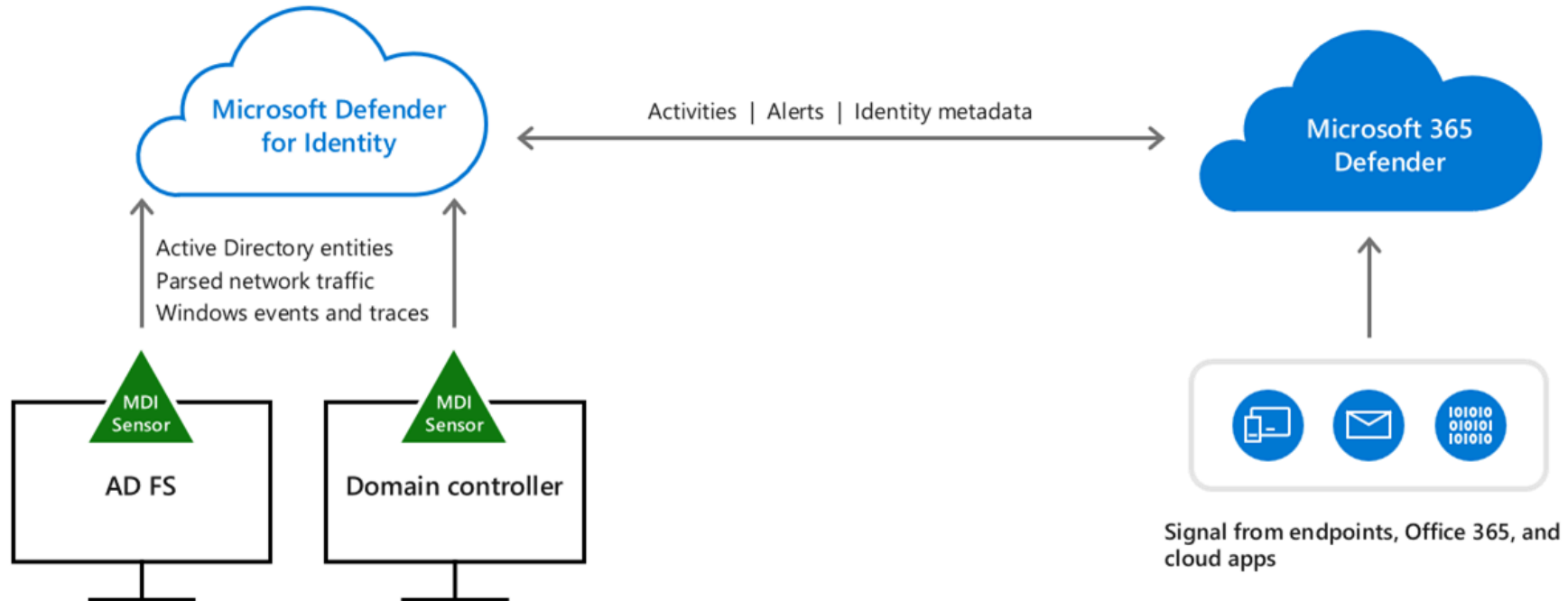
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- 1. Rappels et contexte**
- 2. Investigation et contournement de la détection**
- 3. Authentification PKINIT via l'API Windows**

# Rappels et contexte

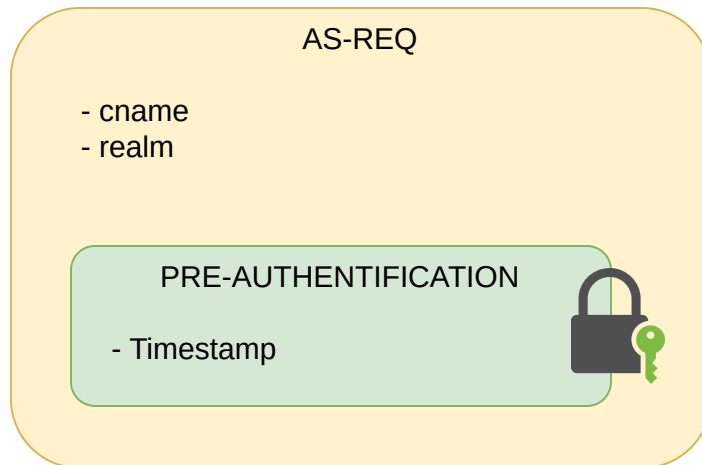
- **Microsoft Defender for Identity (ex Azure ATP, ex ATA)**
- **Composant de la suite Microsoft Defender XDR (ex Microsoft 365 Defender)**
- **Solution de détection d'attaques réseau et Active Directory**
- **Partie machine learning basée sur les habitudes des utilisateurs non analysée dans cette recherche**

- Capteurs installés sur les serveurs de gestion d'identité (DC, ADFS, ADCS)
- Lecture des logs et envoi dans le Cloud pour analyse



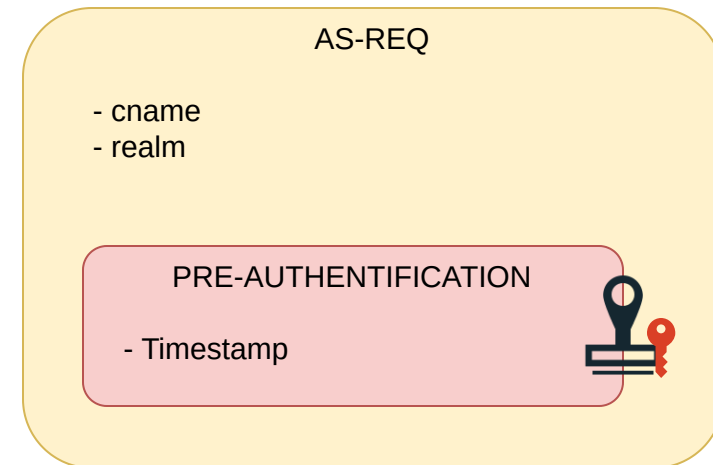
- **Public Key Cryptography for Initial Authentication**
- **Extension Kerberos pour réaliser la préauthentification de manière asymétrique**
- **Typiquement utilisé pour les authentifications par certificat**

## Pré-authentification standard



clé symétrique dérivée du mot de passe de l'utilisateur

## Pré-authentification PKINIT



clé publique



clé privée



- **Mission Red Team**
- **Obtention d'un certificat via ADCS**
- **Utilisation du certificat pour s'authentifier en Kerberos → alerte MDI**



**Suspicious certificate usage over Kerberos protocol (PKINIT)**

■■■ High | ● Unknown | ● New

- **But de la recherche : comprendre la détection et la contourner**

# Investigation de la détection

- **Postulat**

- L'authentification par certificat est souvent utilisée en entreprise
- La détection ne peut pas être basée sur le simple fait d'utiliser PKINIT
- Différence d'implémentation de PKINIT par les outils offensifs ?

- **Méthodologie**

1. Reproduction de la détection
2. Réalisation d'une authentification par certificat légitime
3. Jeu des 7 erreurs

# Reproduction de la détection

- **Authentification PKINIT avec des outils offensifs**

- Certipy

```
$ certipy auth -pfx odin.pfx -domain ASGARD.LOCAL -username odin
```

- Rubeus

```
PS > Rubeus.exe asktgt /certificate:odin.pfx /user:odin /domain:ASGARD.LOCAL
```

- **Captures réseau des messages** AS-REQ

- **Comment réaliser une authentification PKINIT autrement qu'avec des outils offensifs ?**
  - Authentification via carte à puce dans un réseau client → pas très pratique et pas d'accès au moment de la recherche
  - Utilisation de l'API Windows dans un lab de test → non trivial au premier abord
  - Utilisation des outils de la suite Samba → facile et rapide à mettre en place

# Authentication PKINIT avec Samba

- `/etc/krb5.conf`

```
[realms]
ASGARD.LOCAL = {
    kdc = DC01.asgard.local
    pkinit_anchors = FILE:/etc/krb5/cacert.pem
    pkinit_eku_checking = kpServerAuth
    pkinit_kdc_hostname = DC01.asgard.local
    pkinit_identities = FILE:/etc/krb5/clientcert.pem,/etc/krb5/clientkey.pem
}
```

```
# apt install krb5-pkinit
```

```
$ kinit odin@ASGARD.LOCAL
```

- **Aucune alerte MDI !**

# Jeu des 7 erreurs

- **Comparaison côte à côte des captures réseau des différentes authentifications PKINIT**
- **Approche par tâtonnements pour trouver le(s) critère(s) de détection**
- **Modification du code de certipy pour les tests**

# Jeu des 7 erreurs

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# Jeu des 7 erreurs

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## Rubeus

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## kinit

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  - ENCTYPE: eTYPE-AES256-CTS-HMAC-SHA384-192 (20)
  - ENCTYPE: eTYPE-AES128-CTS-HMAC-SHA256-128 (19)
  - ENCTYPE: eTYPE-DES3-CBC-SHA1 (16)
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# Bilan sur la détection

- Basée sur les algorithmes de chiffrement supportés par le client
- Non déclenchée si on change la liste des algorithmes
- MDI pourrait se baser sur d'autres critères
- Peut-on faire mieux ?

# Authentication PKINIT via l'API Windows

- **Idée : laisser Windows faire tout le travail**
  - Pas besoin de réimplémenter Kerberos
  - Pas de détection possible basée sur des différences avec l'implémentation de référence
- **Objectif : pouvoir faire l'équivalent d'un `runas /netonly` mais avec un certificat**
  - Doit être utilisable depuis une machine Windows non liée au domaine
- **Problème : les API classiques de création de logon session nécessitent un mot de passe**
  - `LogonUser` , `CreateProcessWithLogon`



## CredMarshalCredentialW function (wincred.h)

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The **CredMarshalCredential** function transforms a credential into a text string. Historically, many functions, such as [NetUseAdd](#), take a domain name, user name, and password as credentials. These functions do not accept certificates as credentials. The **CredMarshalCredential** function converts such credentials into a form that can be passed into these APIs.

The marshaled credential should be passed as the user name string to any API that is currently passed credentials. The domain name, if applicable, passed to that API should be passed as **NULL** or empty. For certificate credentials, the PIN of the certificate should be passed to that API as the password.

The caller should not modify or print marshaled credentials. The returned value can be freely converted between the Unicode, ANSI, and OEM characters sets. The string is case sensitive.

### Syntax

C++

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```
BOOL CredMarshalCredentialW(  
    [in] CRED_MARSHAL_TYPE CredType,  
    [in] PVOID Credential,  
    [out] LPWSTR *MarshaledCredential  
);
```

## CERT\_CREDENTIAL\_INFO structure (wincred.h)

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[Feedback](#)

The `CERT_CREDENTIAL_INFO` structure contains a reference to a certificate.

### Syntax

C++

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```
typedef struct _CERT_CREDENTIAL_INFO {
    ULONG cbSize;
    UCHAR rgbHashOfCert[CERT_HASH_LENGTH];
} CERT_CREDENTIAL_INFO, *PCERT_CREDENTIAL_INFO;
```

### Members

`cbSize`

Size of the structure in bytes. This member should be set to `sizeof(CERT_CREDENTIAL_INFO)`. This structure might be a larger value in the future, indicating a newer version of the structure.

`rgbHashOfCert[CERT_HASH_LENGTH]`

SHA-1 hash of the certificate referenced.

- **Workflow**

1. Ajout du certificat au magasin de certificat de l'utilisateur
2. Création d'une instance de `CERT_CREDENTIAL_INFO` avec le champ `rgbHashOfCert` égal au hash SHA1 du certificat
3. Appel à `CredMarshalCredential` pour convertir la structure en une chaîne de caractères
4. Appel à `CreateProcessWithLogon` avec le paramètre `lpUsername` égal à la chaîne de caractères précédemment obtenue

- **Logique déjà implémentée par un employé de Microsoft**

## Problème

### Machine jointe au domaine

```
C:\> dir \\DC01.ASGARD.LOCAL\SYSVOL
Directory: \\DC01.ASGARD.LOCAL\SYSVOL

Mode                LastWriteTime         Length Name
----                -
d-----l          9/5/2023   9:07 PM             ASGARD.LOCAL

C:\> klist
Current LogonId is 0:0x22a59a

Cached Tickets: (3)

#0> Client: odin @ ASGARD.LOCAL
Server: krbtgt/ASGARD.LOCAL @ ASGARD.LOCAL
KerbTicket Encryption Type: AES-256-CTS-HMAC-SHA1-96
Ticket Flags 0x60a10000 -> forwardable forwarded
renewable pre_authent name_canonicalize
Start Time: 8/28/2024 0:06:41 (local)
End Time: 8/28/2024 10:06:17 (local)
Renew Time: 9/4/2024 0:06:17 (local)
Session Key Type: AES-256-CTS-HMAC-SHA1-96
Cache Flags: 0x2 -> DELEGATION
Kdc Called: DC01.ASGARD.LOCAL

[...]
```

### Machine hors domaine

```
C:\> dir \\DC01.ASGARD.LOCAL\SYSVOL
The Kerberos protocol encountered an error while
validating the KDC certificate during smartcard
logon. There is more information in the system
event log.

C:\> klist
Current LogonId is 0:0x1463c00
Cached Tickets: (0)
```

- **SSP Kerberos implémenté dans** `kerberos.dll`, **chargé par** `lsass.exe`
- **Idée : hooker avec frida toutes les fonctions liées à PKINIT et comparer les sorties pour les deux cas**
  - `KerbBuildPkinitPreauthData`
  - `KerbCheckKdcCertificate`
  - `KerbCheckKdcCertificateKeyUsage`
  - ...

# API Windows

Comparaison avec frida

## Machine jointe au domaine

```
PS C:\> frida -p (Get-Process lsass).Id -l hook.js
[...]  
Enter KerbInitializePkCreds  
Leave KerbInitializePkCreds : 0x0  
Enter KerbInitializePkCreds  
Leave KerbInitializePkCreds : 0x0  
Enter KerbGetPKINITPreauthType  
Leave KerbGetPKINITPreauthType : 0x0  
Enter KerbBuildPkinitPreauthData  
Leave KerbBuildPkinitPreauthData : 0x0  
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  Enter KerbVerifyPkAsReply  
    Enter KerbCheckKdcCertificate  
      Enter KerbCheckKdcCertificateKeyUsage  
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## Machine hors-domaine

```
PS C:\> frida -p (Get-Process lsass).Id -l hook.js
[...]  
Enter KerbInitializePkCreds  
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Enter KerbInitializePkCreds  
Leave KerbInitializePkCreds : 0x0  
Enter KerbGetPKINITPreauthType  
Leave KerbGetPKINITPreauthType : 0x0  
Enter KerbBuildPkinitPreauthData  
Leave KerbBuildPkinitPreauthData : 0x0  
Enter KerbBuildPkinitPreauthData  
  Enter KerbVerifyPkAsReply  
    Enter KerbCheckKdcCertificate  
      Enter KerbCheckKdcCertificateKeyUsage  
        Leave KerbCheckKdcCertificateKeyUsage : 0xc0000320  
      Leave KerbCheckKdcCertificate : 0xc0000320  
    Leave KerbVerifyPkAsReply : 0xc0000320  
  Leave KerbBuildPkinitPreauthData : 0xc0000320
```

# API Windows

Patch LSASS

- **Changement de la valeur de retour de `KerbCheckKdcCertificate` par `0` -> tout fonctionne !**
- **Nécessite de patcher LSASS et d'avoir les symboles Windows**
- **Peut-on faire mieux ?**

# API Windows

KerbCheckKdcCertificateKeyUsage

- Réalise des vérifications sur les EKU du certificat du contrôleur de domaine
- Échoue si :
  - Le certificat ne possède pas au moins l'une des EKU suivantes :
    - KDC authentication
    - Smart Card Logon
    - Server Authentication
    - Any extended key usage
  - OU que la vérification KDC est activée et que le certificat ne possède pas l'EKU KDC authentication
- La variable globale `KerbGlobalStandaloneKdcValidation` permet de désactiver la vérification KDC



# API Windows

## Problème n°2

```
C:\> dir \\DC01.ASGARD.LOCAL\SYSVOL
```

```
The revocation status of the domain controller certificate used for smartcard authentication could not be determined. There is additional information in the system event log. Please contact your system administrator.
```

```
C:\> klist
```

```
Current LogonId is 0:0x1463c00
```

```
Cached Tickets: (0)
```

# API Windows

KerbCheckKdcCertificate

- **Vérifie (entre autres) la chaîne de confiance du certificat ainsi que sa révocation**
- **La vérification de la révocation peut-être désactivée via la variable globale**

```
KerbGlobalUseCachedCRLOnlyAndIgnoreRevocationUnknownErrors
```

# API Windows

Victoire !

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        Cache Flags: 0x2 -> DELEGATION
        Kdc Called: DC01.ASGARD.LOCAL

[...]
```

Pas de patch LSASS ?

- **Comment modifier les deux variables globales sans patcher LSASS ?**
- **Cross references des deux variables globales dans IDA ->** `KerbGetKerbRegParams`
  - Lis les valeurs de la clé de registre  
`HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\Lsa\Kerberos\Parameters`
  - Modifie à la volée les variables globales associées
- **Il suffit donc d'ajouter les valeurs de registre suivantes :**
  - `StandaloneKdcValidation` = 0 (DWORD)
  - `UseCachedCRLOnlyAndIgnoreRevocationUnknownErrors` = 0 (DWORD)
- **Pas de reboot nécessaire**

- **Détection MDI basée sur des différences d'implémentation de Kerberos**
- **Présentation d'une méthodologie simple et générique pour comprendre rapidement l'origine d'un problème**
- **Script PowerShell pour s'authentifier avec un certificat disponible sur le github de Synacktiv : [Invoke-RunAsWithCert](#)**

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