



Lab2: Bomblab

CSE4009: System Programming

Overview

- Download the handout from HConnect
- Place and extract the handout file
- Submit your solution file to LMS

Goal

- Learn how to read assembly code
- Learn how to use the tools necessary to deal with assembly code
 - gdb
 - objdump
 - strings

1. Check the handout file

- Download the handout file assigned to you

\$ git pull origin

```
[wsul@splab2022012345:~/Projects/2022_cse4009_201220789]$ git pull origin  
Already up to date.  
wsul@splab2022012345:~/Projects/2022_cse4009_201220789$
```

2. Extract handout file

- Can see the file in your project home directory and extract it

```
[wsul@splab2022012345:~/Projects/2022_cse4009_201220789$ tar xvf bomblab.tar  
./bomblab/  
./bomblab/bomb  
./bomblab/bomb.c
```

3. Check your files

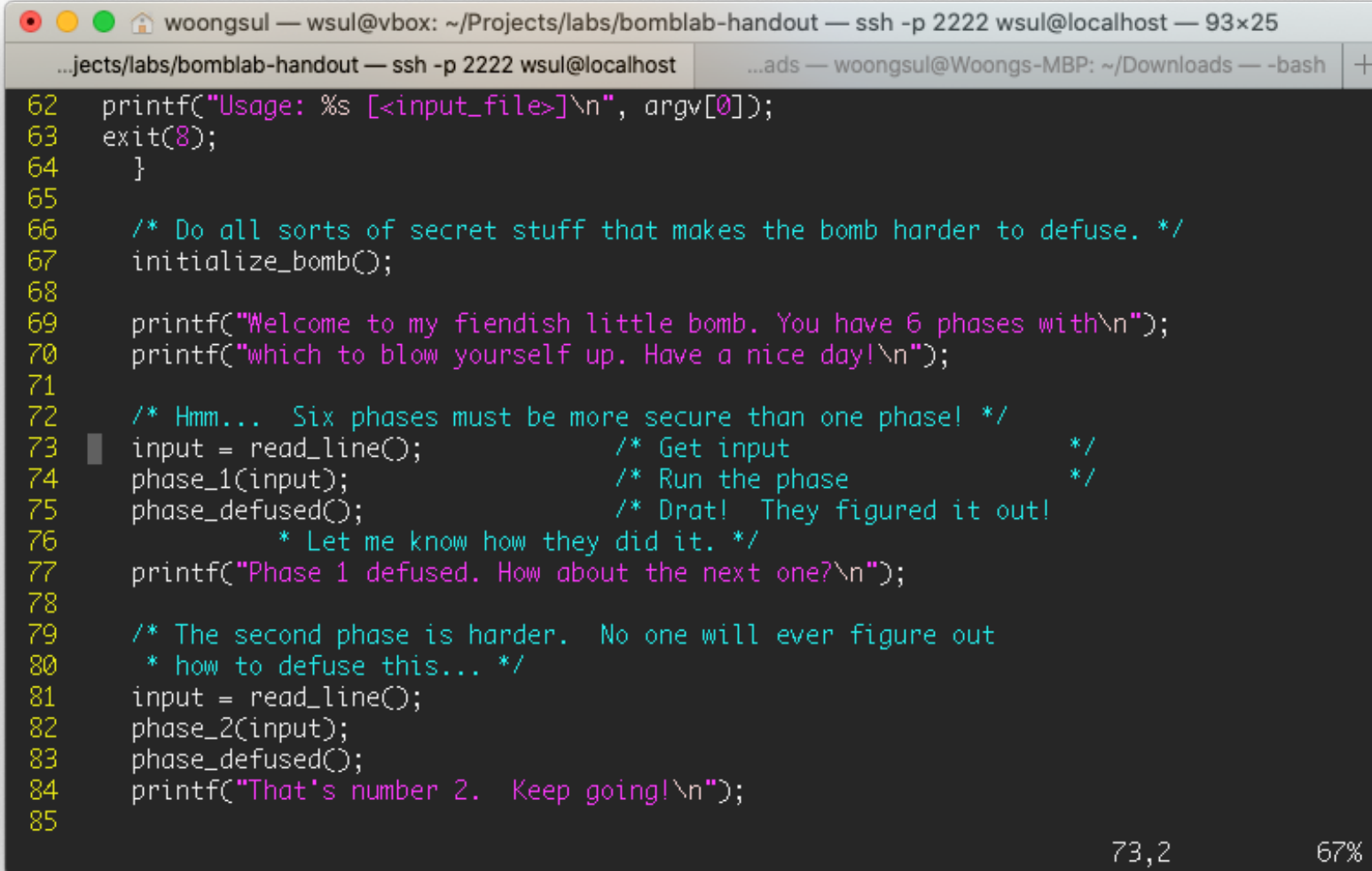
- Can see two files on bomblab directory

```
[wsul@splab2022012345:~/Projects/2022_cse4009_201220789$ cd bomblab/
[wsul@splab2022012345:~/Projects/2022_cse4009_201220789/bomblab$ ll
total 44
drwxrwxr-x 2 wsul wsul  4096 Sep 29 13:11 ./
drwxrwxr-x 5 wsul wsul  4096 Sep 29 14:36 ../
-rwxrwxr-x 1 wsul wsul 31376 Sep 29 13:22 bomb*
-rwx----- 1 wsul wsul  4069 Sep 29 13:22 bomb.c*
[wsul@splab2022012345:~/Projects/2022_cse4009_201220789/bomblab$ ./bomb
Welcome to my fiendish little bomb. You have 6 phases with
which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!
[Hi

BOOM!!!
The bomb has blown up.
wsul@splab2022012345:~/Projects/2022_cse4009_201220789/bomblab$
```

4. The bomblab is...

- Consisted of 6 phases to defuse it
 - check it from bomb.c



```
62 printf("Usage: %s [<input_file>]\n", argv[0]);
63 exit(8);
64 }
65
66 /* Do all sorts of secret stuff that makes the bomb harder to defuse. */
67 initialize_bomb();
68
69 printf("Welcome to my fiendish little bomb. You have 6 phases with\n");
70 printf("which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!\n");
71
72 /* Hmm... Six phases must be more secure than one phase! */
73 input = readline();          /* Get input */
74 phase_1(input);              /* Run the phase */
75 phase_defused();             /* Drat! They figured it out!
76    * Let me know how they did it. */
77 printf("Phase 1 defused. How about the next one?\n");
78
79 /* The second phase is harder. No one will ever figure out
80    * how to defuse this... */
81 input = readline();
82 phase_2(input);
83 phase_defused();
84 printf("That's number 2. Keep going!\n");
85
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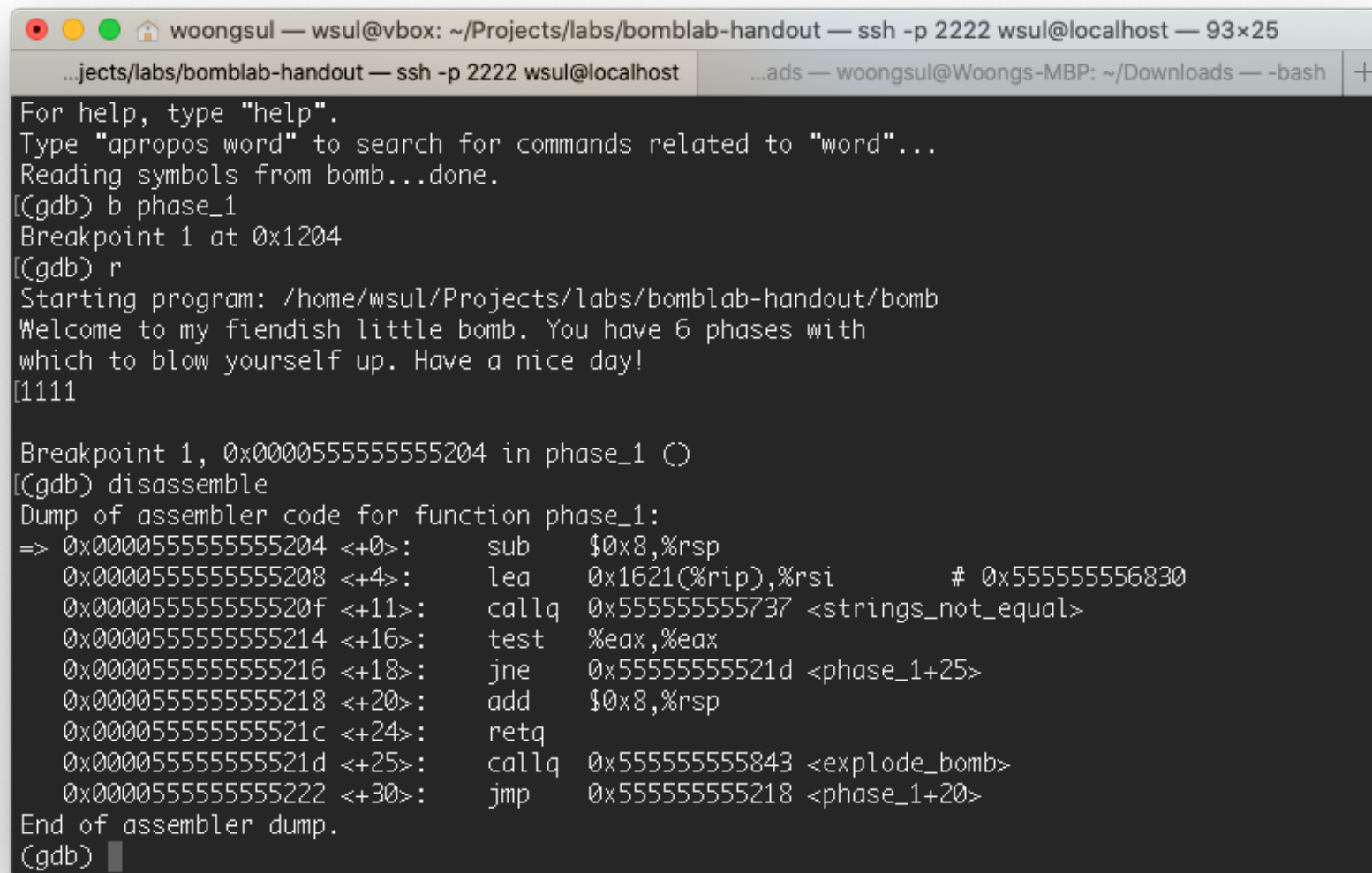
73,2 67%

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- Consisted of 6 phases to defuse it
 - check it from bomb.c
 - you have to make the right answer for each phase

5. How to defuse it?

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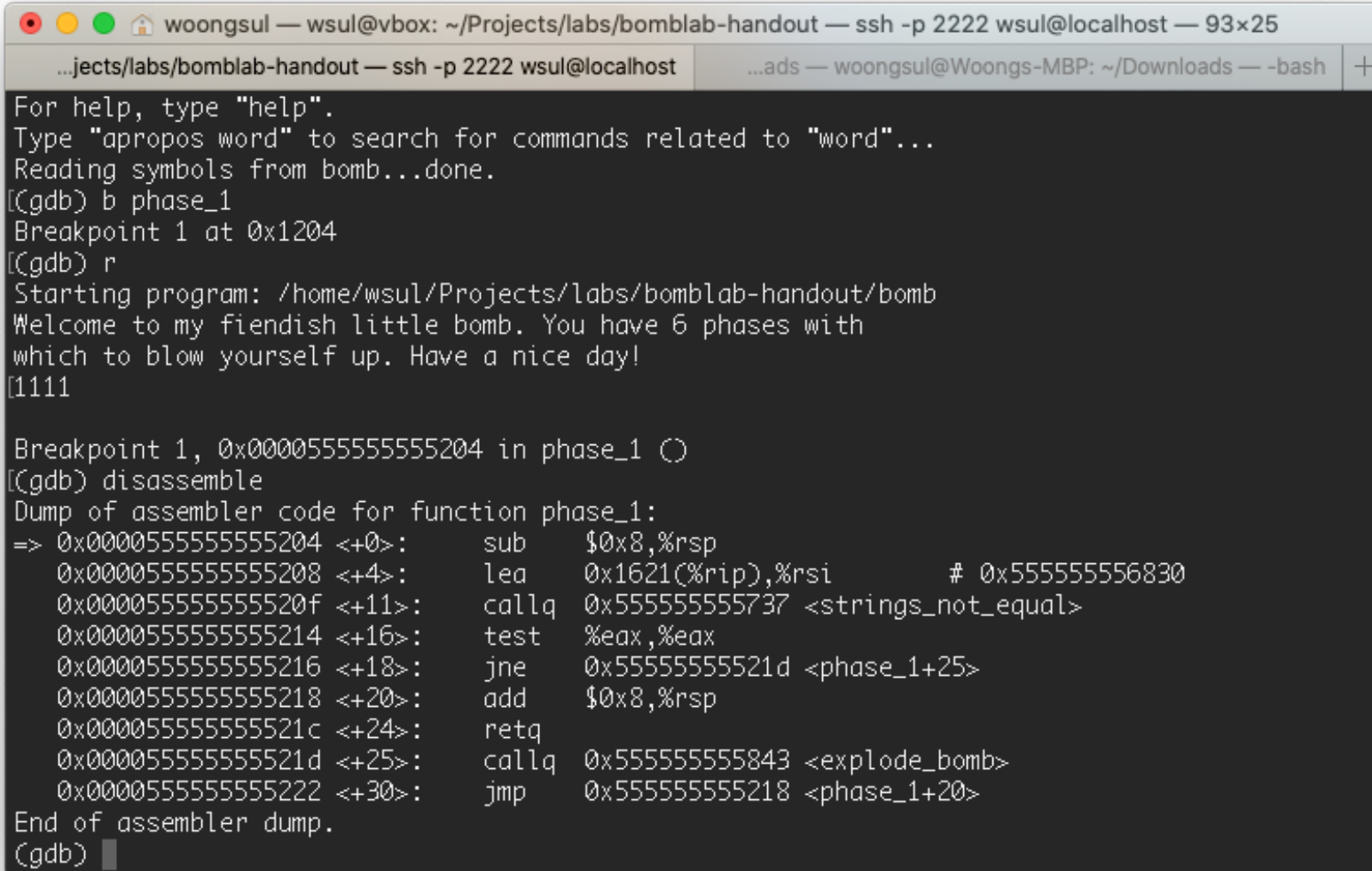


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For help, type "help".
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
Reading symbols from bomb...done.
(gdb) b phase_1
Breakpoint 1 at 0x1204
(gdb) r
Starting program: /home/wsul/Projects/labs/bomblab-handout/bomb
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Breakpoint 1, 0x000055555555204 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) disassemble
Dump of assembler code for function phase_1:
=> 0x000055555555204 <+0>:      sub    $0x8,%rsp
    0x000055555555208 <+4>:      lea    0x1621(%rip),%rsi      # 0x555555556830
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    0x000055555555216 <+18>:     jne    0x5555555521d <phase_1+25>
    0x000055555555218 <+20>:     add    $0x8,%rsp
    0x00005555555521c <+24>:     retq
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End of assembler dump.
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Dump of assembler code for function strings_not_equal:
=> 0x000055555555737 <+0>:      push    %r12
0x000055555555739 <+2>:      push    %rbp
0x00005555555573a <+3>:      push    %rbx
0x00005555555573b <+4>:      mov     %rdi,%rbx
0x00005555555573e <+7>:      mov     %rsi,%rbp
0x000055555555741 <+10>:     callq   0x5555555571a <string_length>
0x000055555555746 <+15>:     mov     %eax,%r12d
0x000055555555749 <+18>:     mov     %rbp,%rdi
0x00005555555574c <+21>:     callq   0x5555555571a <string_length>
0x000055555555751 <+26>:     mov     $0x1,%edx
0x000055555555756 <+31>:     cmp     %eax,%r12d
0x000055555555759 <+34>:     je      0x55555555762 <strings_not_equal+43>
0x00005555555575b <+36>:     mov     %edx,%eax
0x00005555555575d <+38>:     pop     %rbx
0x00005555555575e <+39>:     pop     %rbp
0x00005555555575f <+40>:     pop     %r12
0x000055555555761 <+42>:     retq
0x000055555555762 <+43>:     movzbl (%rbx),%eax
0x000055555555765 <+46>:     test    %al,%al
0x000055555555767 <+48>:     je      0x55555555790 <strings_not_equal+89>
0x000055555555769 <+50>:     cmp     0x0(%rbp),%al
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Quit
(gdb) info registers rdi rsi
rdi      0x555555758ac0      93824994347712
rsi      0x55555556830      93824992241712
(gdb) x/s 0x555555758ac0
0x555555758ac0 <input_strings>: "1111" I made this string...
(gdb) x/s 0x55555556830
0x55555556830: "You can Russia from land here in Alaska." WHOA?????
(gdb)
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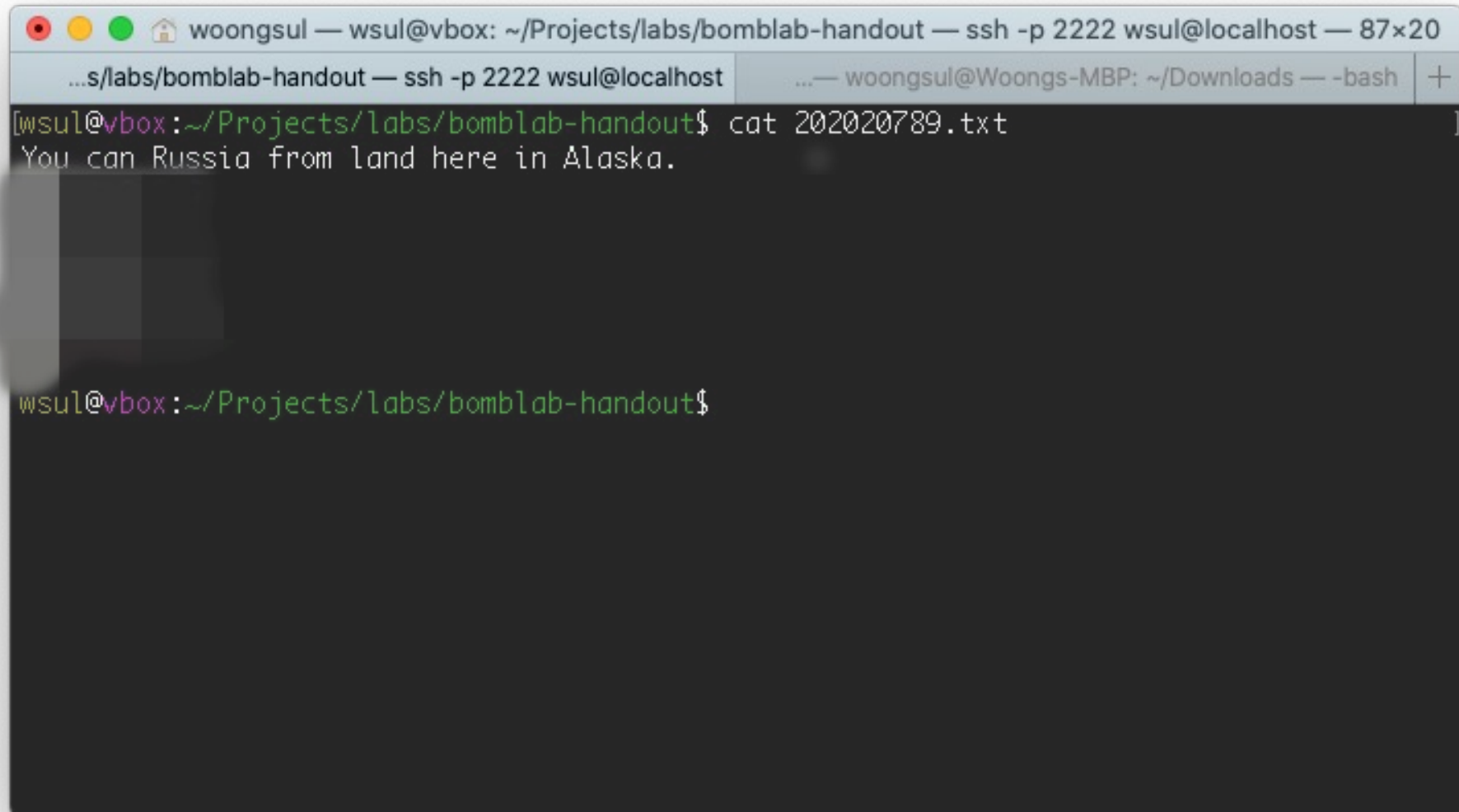
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- You have 3 more phase to defuse this bomb
- Your strong friends..
 - gdb
 - you can examine commands in the previous example
 - objdump
 - -t : print out bomb's symbol table
 - -d : print out disassemble code (or you can use disassemble in gdb)
 - strings
 - printout all printable strings in your bomb

6. Submission

- You are supposed to submit the answer file that lists each answer
 - Your answer file might be....

A screenshot of a macOS terminal window. The title bar shows the window name 'woongsul' and the current session 'wsul@vbox: ~/Projects/labs/bomblab-handout — ssh -p 2222 wsul@localhost — 87x20'. The terminal content shows the command 'cat 202020789.txt' being executed, with the output 'You can Russia from land here in Alaska.' displayed on the next line. The prompt is '[wsul@vbox:~/Projects/labs/bomblab-handout\$]'.

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wsul@vbox:~/Projects/labs/bomblab-handout$
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Good Luck!