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Intel Assembly x86 < /1 > {

Operands order:

opcode destination, source

Some instructions to know:

JMP <relative address>

NOP

PUSH <register | address>

POP <register | address>

MOV <destination>, <source>

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Register	Purpose
EAX	Accumulator register
ECX	Counter register
EDX	Data register
EBX	Base register
ESP	Stack pointer register
EBP	Stack base pointer register
ESI	Source index register
EDI	Destination index register

Intel Assembly x86 < /2 > {

Assembly instructions are bytes array:

JMP 0x40000 ⇒ 0xE9 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x40

NOP ⇒ 0x90

Each instruction have an RAM address (can be dynamic or static):

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	55	push ebp
0x0401	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0403	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08]
0x0406	03 C8	add ecx, eax

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What is a function? < /3 > {

```
int sum(int a, int b) {  
    return a + b;  
}
```

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	55	push ebp
0x0401	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0403	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08] // a
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, [ebp+0C] // b
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

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[The Function Hooking and
Trampoline]

< The art of detouring a function >

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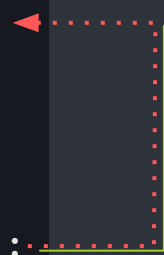
What is a detour? < /1 > {

Program target:

```
int sum(int a, int b) {  
    return a + b;  
}  
  
int main(void) {  
    int res = sum(1, 2);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Malicious attacker code:

```
int fake_sum(int a, int b) {  
    return a - b;  
}
```



How to detour? < /2 > {

sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	55	push ebp
0x0401	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0403	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08] // a
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, [ebp+0C] // b
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0x040A	C3	ret

fake_sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0800	55	push ebp
0x0801	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0803	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08] // a
0x0806	2B 45 0C	sub eax, [ebp+0C] // b
0x0809	5D	pop ebp
0x080A	C3	ret

Remember the JMP instruction: JMP <relative address>

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How to detour? < /2 > {

sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	55	jmp fake_sum
0x0401	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0403	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08] // a
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, [ebp+0C] // b
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

fake_sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
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0x0803	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08] // a
0x0806	2B 45 0C	sub eax, [ebp+0C] // b
0x0809	5D	pop ebp
0x080A	C3	ret

But the JMP instruction take 5 bytes:

JMP 0x40000 ⇒ 0xE9 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x40

}

How to detour? < /2 > {

sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	E9 FB 03 00 00	jmp fake_sum
0x0405	08	? ?
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, ...
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

fake_sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0800	55	push ebp
0x0801	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0803	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08] // a
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0x0809	5D	pop ebp
0x080A	C3	ret

The NOP instruction to the rescue!

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How to detour? < /2 > {

sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	E9 FB 03 00 00	jmp fake_sum
0x0405	90	nop
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, ...
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

fake_sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0800	55	push ebp
0x0801	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0803	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08] // a
0x0806	2B 45 0C	sub eax, [ebp+0C] // b
0x0809	5D	pop ebp
0x080A	C3	ret

Our hook is a success!

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The detour method code < /3 > {

```
bool DetourFunction(void * src, void * dst, int len)
{
    if (len < 5) return false;

    memset(src, 0x90, len);

    uintptr_t relativeAddress = ((uintptr_t)dst - (uintptr_t)src) - 5;

    *(BYTE*)src = 0xE9;
    *(uintptr_t*)((uintptr_t)src + 1) = relativeAddress;

    return true;
}
```

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But can we go further? < /4 > {

Main **drawback**: No longer access to the **original** function

Consequence: We can not make any pre/post patching

Pre-patching (args):

```
int fake_function(int a) {  
    a = a + 1;  
  
    return original_func(a);  
}
```

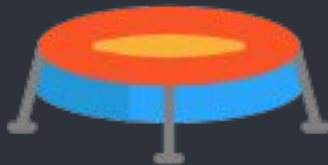
Post-patching (returned value):

```
int fake_function(int a) {  
    int res = original_func(a);  
  
    return res - 1;  
}
```

}

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1 The trampoline solution < /5 > {
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3     The solution: The trampoline!
```



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```

What is a trampoline? < /6 > {

sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	E9 FB 03 00 00	jmp fake_sum
0x0405	90	nop
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, ...
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

trampoline(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0900	55	push ebp
0x0901	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0903	8B 45 08	mov eax, ...
0x0906	E9 00 00 00 00	jmp sum+6

What is a trampoline? < /6 > {

sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	E9 FB 03 00 00	jmp fake_sum
0x0405	90	nop
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, ...
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

trampoline(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0900	55	push ebp
0x0901	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0903	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08]
0x0909	E9 00 00 00	jump sum+6

fake_sum(int, int) function:

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0800	55	push ebp
0x0801	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0803	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08]
0x0806	2B 45 0C	sub eax, [ebp+0C]
0x0809	E8 00 00 00	call trampoline
0x080D	5D	pop ebp
0x080E	C3	ret

The trampoline method code < /7 > {

```
char* TrampolineHook(char* src, char* dst, const intptr_t len)
{
    if (len < 5) return 0;

    void* gateway = VirtualAlloc(0, len + 5, MEM_COMMIT | MEM_RESERVE, PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE);

    memcpy(gateway, src, len);

    intptr_t gatewayRelativeAddr = ((intptr_t)src - (intptr_t)gateway) - 5;
    *(char*)((intptr_t)gateway + len) = 0xE9;
    *(intptr_t*)((intptr_t)gateway + len + 1) = gatewayRelativeAddr;

    DetourFunction(src, dst, len);

    return (char*)gateway;
}
```

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What the use of function hooking?

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A technique mostly used in **game hacking**:

- Can be used for **man-in-the-middle** (MITM) attacks
 - Listen to the **send()** and **recv()** functions
- Can be used for detouring **graphic engines**
- Can be used for **patching** any game function to change its **behavior**

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Use case: send() and recv() MITM

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In windows, two low-level functions are provided for sending/receiving data over a TCP connection:

```
ssize_t send(int s, const void *buf, size_t len, int flags);  
ssize_t recv(int s, void *buf, ssize_t len, int flags);
```

We can hook those two functions to intercept all information exchanged between the game/program client and the game/program server.

By patching we can even change the contents sended or received by the game/program

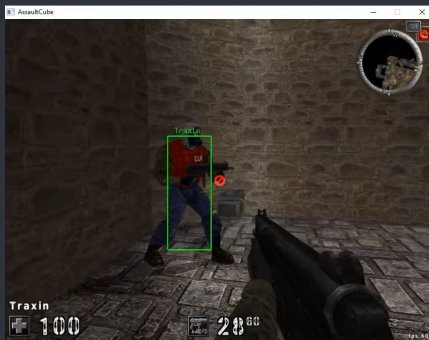
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Use case: Graphic Engine

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For games, it is interesting to hook some engine functions to be able to add our own interface on top of the game for our malicious program.

For example with the engine OpenGL we can hook the function `wglSwapBuffers()` to add our own interface:



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[Live demonstration of trampoline
hooking]

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5 [Two methods to prevent function
6 hooking]
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8 < Just how to prevent from this
9 nightmare ? >
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Obfuscation / Packer < /1 > {



< Let's make the assembly code impossible to understand! >

}

Memory fingerprint < /2 > {



< It is time to detect these unwanted changes! >

}

Obfuscation / Packer < /1 > {

Binary file

PE Headers

[...]

Sections

[...]

Assembly code



Packer



Packed Binary file

PE Headers

[...]

Sections

[...]

Crypted assembly code

[...]

Packer Virtual Machine

}

Obfuscation / Packer < /1 > {

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	55	push ebp
0x0401	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0403	8B 45 08	mov eax, ebp
0x0406	03 C8	add ecx, eax



Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	34	? ? ?
0x0401	22 01	? ? ?
0x0403	14 E5 B8	? ? ?
0x0406	75 F4	? ? ?

}

Memory fingerprint < /2 > {

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	55	push ebp
0x0401	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0403	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08]
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, [ebp+0C]
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

Function payload: 55 8B EC 8B 45 08 03 45 0C 5D C3

}

Memory fingerprint < /2 > {

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	55	push ebp
0x0401	8B EC	mov ebp, esp
0x0403	8B 45 08	mov eax, [ebp+08]
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, [ebp+0C]
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

SHA256(55 8B EC 8B 45 08 03 45 0C 5D C3) =

bd938e409fd7adea661f129903b0c423217965673832a58652967e992d90b850

}

Memory fingerprint < /2 > {

Address	Bytes	Opcode
0x0400	E9 E3 FF FF FF	jmp 00371000
0x0405	90	nop
0x0406	03 45 0C	add eax, [ebp+0C]
0x0409	5D	pop ebp
0x040A	C3	ret

SHA256(E9 E3 FF FF FF 90 03 45 0C 5D C3) =

e137dfc53100168f0aa460b2a9ae30db12c3ec49b577d41b5d4e2f44792c82fc

}

Memory fingerprint < /2 > {

SHA256(55 8B EC 8B 45 08 03 45 0C 5D C3)

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SHA256(E9 E3 FF FF FF 90 03 45 0C 5D C3)

bd938e409fd7adea661f129903b0c423217965673832a58652967e992d90b850

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e137dfc53100168f0aa460b2a9ae30db12c3ec49b577d41b5d4e2f44792c82fc

Function tampering detected!

Result: Program execution aborted

}

1 Thanks; {

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3 'Do you have any questions?'

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