

Homework 7

1. Buffer Overflow

One of TAs of ICS wrote a buggy program. The following C code and assembly code are executed on a **64-bit little endian** machine. He used `gets()` functions in section 3.10.3 on CSAPP.

```
void buggy() {
    char buf[0x10];
    gets(buf);
}

int main() {
    buggy();
    return 0;
}
```

```
00000000004004e6 <buggy>:
4004e6: 55                push    %rbp
4004e7: 48 89 e5          mov     %rsp,%rbp
4004ea: 48 83 ec 10       sub     $0x10,%rsp
4004ee: 48 8d 45 f0       lea     -0x10(%rbp),%rax
4004f2: 48 89 c7          mov     %rax,%rdi
4004f5: e8 17 00 00 00   callq  400511 <gets>
4004fa: c9               leaveq  %rax,%rsp
4004fb: c3               retq

00000000004004fc <main>:
4004fc: 55                push    %rbp
4004fd: 48 89 e5          mov     %rsp,%rbp
400500: b8 00 00 00 00   mov     $0x0,%eax
400505: e8 dc ff ff ff   callq  4004e6 <buggy>
40050a: b8 00 00 00 00   mov     $0x0,%eax
40050f: 5d               pop     %rbp
400510: c3               retq
```

Now the TA uses different strings to feed the `gets()` in `buggy()`. Give the corresponding return address of function `buggy()` to each return address. (NOTE: the ASCII number of '0' is 48.

a. "" **0x40050a**

- b. "0123456789" 0x40050a
- c. "01234567890123456789" 0x40050a
- d. "012345678901234567890123" 0x400500
- e. "012345678901234567890123456789" 0x393837363534

2. Floating point

Consider a 16-bit floating-point representation based on the IEEE floating-point format, with 1 sign bit, 5 exp bits, 10 frac bits, called Float16.

(1) Fill in the following table. Represent M in the form x or x/y where x is an integer and y is an integral power of 2, and represent Value in the form a or $a * 2^b$ where a and b are integers.

Description	Hex	M	E	Value
-0	0x8000	0	-14	--
Largest negative Normalized value	0x8400	1	-14	$-1 * 2^{(-14)}$
$+\infty$	0x7C00	--	--	--
Largest Denormalized value	0x03FF	1023/1024	-14	$1023 * 2^{(-24)}$
$(11.375)_{10}$	0x49B0	91/64	3	$91 * 2^{(-3)}$
Number with hex representation 0x4BF7	0x4BF7	2039/1024	3	$2039 * 2^{(-7)}$

(2) Assume we use IEEE round-to-even mode to do the approximation. Now a , b are both Float16, with $a = 0x4663$ and $b = 0x394c$ represented in hex. Compute $a+b$ and represent the answer in hex.

$a: 0|100\ 01|10\ 0110\ 0011$ $S1=0, E1=17-15=2, M1=1.1001100011$

$b: 0|011\ 10|01\ 0100\ 1100$ $S2=0, E2=14-15=-1, M2=1.0101001100$

a+b:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1.1001100011 \\
 +0.0010101001100 \\
 \hline
 1.1100001100100
 \end{array}$$

$M=(1.1100001100100)_2$; $M'=(1.1100001100|100)_2$

$= (\text{Round to even})(1.1100001100)_2$

$E=E1=2$

$\text{Exp} = E + \text{bias} = 17$

$a+b=(0\ 10001\ 1100001100)_2 = 0x470c$

(3) Using Float16, what's the difference between $2^{15} + 0.5 - 2^{15}$ and $2^{15} - 2^{15} + 0.5$? Calculate them to explain why.

2^{15} : 0|111 10|00 0000 0000

0.5: 0|011 10|00 0000 0000

$2^{15}+0.5$:

1.0000 0000 00

+ 0.0000 0000 0000 0001 0000 0000 00

= 1.0000 0000 0000 0001 0000 0000 00

$M = (1.0000\ 0000\ 00|00\ 0001\ 0000\ 0000\ 00)_2 = 1.0000\ 0000\ 00$

$E=30$

$2^{15}+0.5 = 0|111\ 10|00\ 0000\ 0000 = 2^{15}$

So $2^{15}+0.5-2^{15} = 0$

But $2^{15}-2^{15}=0$

$2^{15}-2^{15}+0.5=0.5$

0.5 is rounded during the calculation of $2^{15} + 0.5$.