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Buffer Overflows

Objectives:

- Summarize the concepts of a Buffer Overflow
- List common tools and techniques used in Buffer Overflow exploit development
- List common protections used to prevent Buffer Overflows

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- What is a buffer overflow?
 - Improper memory space allocation
 - No bounds checking
 - Allows data allocated for one memory space to spill over into another
 - If this can be controlled, arbitrary code execution can be achieved
 - What are the types of buffer overflows we should be aware of?
 - Heap
 - Dynamic memory allocation
 - malloc()
 - Stack
 - Static memory allocation
 - EBP
 - ESP
 - EIP
 - What kind of tools are used to create a buffer overflow?
 - Network Sniffers
 - Debuggers
 - Programming languages
 - Walk us through a simple buffer overflow
 - How can we protect against buffer overflows?
 - DEP (Data Execution Protection)
 - ASLR (Address Space Layout Randomization)
 - Static and Dynamic code analysis
 - Safe coding practices