

Assignment 2: Sploits 3 and 4

CSE 127 Week 3 DI 4/19/19

NOTE

Assignment 2 is due on 5/3, Friday of Week 5.

The midterm is on 4/30, Tuesday of Week 5.

Try to Finish Assignment 2 before the midterm

All of it (and more) is fair game for the midterm

Reminder: The Setting

- target[1-4].c are vulnerable pieces of code that each read a string from the command line
- Our exploit is the string we pass in
- We could run the attack by running `$./target1 "attack_string_here"`
- But that's hard
 - Hard to type the string and fix things at specific locations
 - Some of the strings may be really long
- So we call our targets from C programs called `splloit[1-4].c`
- Just think of `splloit[1-4].c` as the C version of calling `./target` from the shell
- **You only get to modify `splloit[1-4].c`. You CAN'T change the target**

The Setting

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include "shellcode.h"

#define TARGET "/tmp/target1"

int main(void)
{
    char *args[3];
    char *env[1];

    args[0] = TARGET; args[1] = "hi there"; args[2] = NULL;
    env[0] = NULL;

    if (0 > execve(TARGET, args, env))
        fprintf(stderr, "execve failed.\n");

    return 0;
}
```

sploit1.c

Refer to last Week's discussion slides, lecture slides, and the Aleph One paper for more

Questions about Sploits 1 or 2?

Last week's discussion slides can be found on Piazza under Resources.

Take a minute to go through them, and feel free to ask questions

Review

- 1) What is `ebp + 4`?
- 2) What is **stored at** `ebp + 4`?
- 3) What is **stored at** `ebp`?
- 4) What's the difference in vulnerabilities between target1 and target2?

```
int bar(char *arg, char *out)
{
    strcpy(out, arg);
    return 0;
}

int foo(char *argv[])
{
    char buf[768];
    bar(argv[1], buf);
}
```

```
void nstrcpy(char *out, int outl, char *in)
{
    int i, len;

    len = strlen(in);
    if (len > outl)
        len = outl;

    for (i = 0; i <= len; i++)
        out[i] = in[i];
}
```

Review

- 5) What control data (return address, frame pointer, pc, stack pointer, etc) is being corrupted in sploit1?
- 6) What control data is being corrupted in sploit2?
- 7) How do you know if your exploit has succeeded?
- 8) True/False: When you want to quit or exit VirtualBox, you should first power off the VM.

Sploit 3

Target3: The vulnerability

Input Format:

./target3 421,abcdefg....

foo("abcdefg...", 421)

```
struct widget_t {
    double x[4];
};

int foo(char *in, int count)
{
    struct widget_t buf[579];

    if (count < 579)
        memcpy(buf, in, count * sizeof(struct widget_t));

    return 0;
}
```

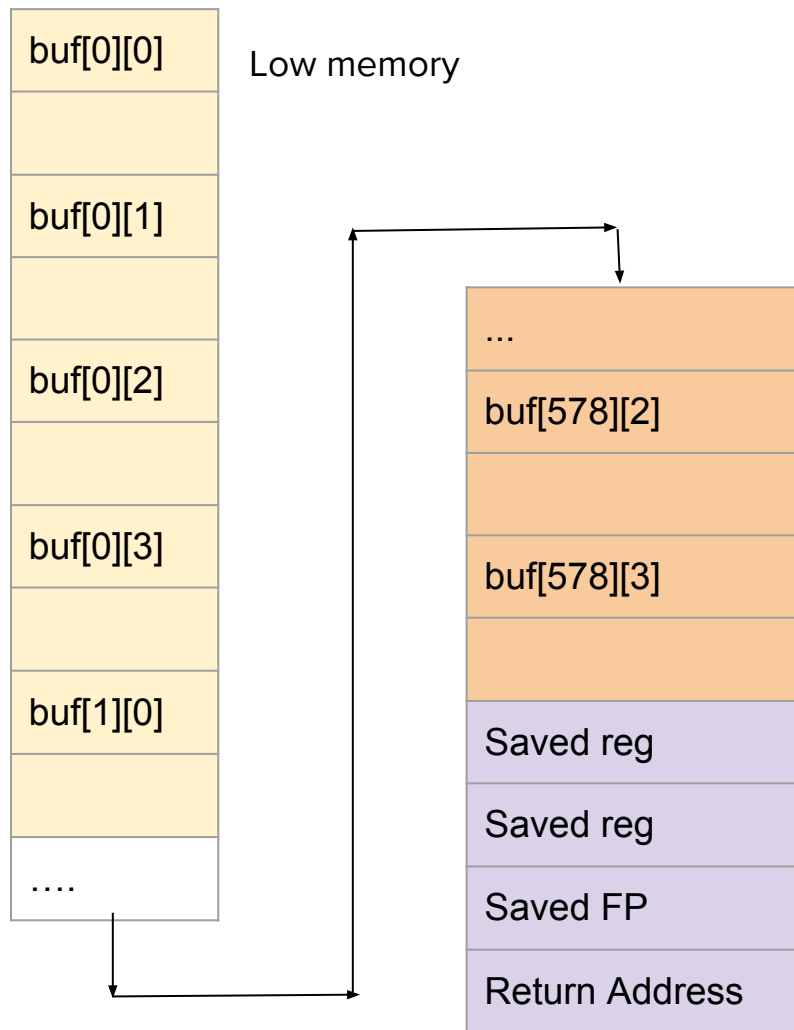
```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int count;
    char *in;

    if (argc != 2)
    {
        fprintf(stderr, "target3: argc != 2\n");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    /*
     * format of argv[1] is as follows:
     *
     * - a count, encoded as a decimal number in ASCII
     * - a comma (",")
     * - the remainder of the data, treated as an array
     *   of struct widget_t
     */

    count = (int)strtoul(argv[1], &in, 10);
    if (*in != ',')
    {
        fprintf(stderr, "target3: argument format is [%count],[data]\n");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    in++; /* advance one byte, past the comma */
    foo(in, count);

    return 0;
}
```



```
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    double x[4];  
};  
  
int foo(char *in, int count)  
{  
    struct widget_t buf[579];  
  
    if (count < 579)  
        memcpy(buf, in, count * sizeof(struct widget_t));  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

With 'count' we control how many widgets are copied.

Can we copy more than 579 widgets?
How do we pass the bounds check?

Steps

- 1) Pass the bounds check
- 2) Multiply (count * sizeof(struct widget_t))
- 3) Overflow to change the return address

```
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    double x[4];  
};  
  
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{  
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    if (count < 579)  
        memcpy(buf, in, count * sizeof(struct widget_t));  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

1) Bounds Check -- Types

```
./target3 "579,<malicious stuff>"
```

```
count = (int) stroul(argv[1] ....)
```

argv[1] is a **string** (char *) -- "579,<malicious stuff>"

return value of stroul is an **unsigned long** -- 0x00000243

count is a **signed int** -- 0x00000243

* For 579 the 2 representations are the same, but ...

Signed vs unsigned ints/longs

Signed: MSb is the sign bit (0 means positive 1 means negative)

Unsigned: MSb is just the bit for the highest place value

Example: 0xFFFFFFFF (0xF = 1111)

Signed: -1

Unsigned: 4294967295

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};  
  
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    if (count < 579)  
        memcpy(buf, in, count * sizeof(struct widget_t));  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

* Which of the two above could get compared in the bounds check?

2) Multiplication

$\text{sizeof}(\text{struct widget_t}) = 4 * 8 = 32 = 2^5$

$x * 2^n == x \ll n$ (multiplication vs shift)

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$\ll 5 = 0b00\dots100100000$

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};  
  
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        memcpy(buf, in, count * sizeof(struct widget_t));  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

2) Multiplication

`sizeof(struct widget_t) = 4 * 8 = 32 = 2^5`

`x * 2^n == x << n` (multiplication vs shift)

Example: `9 * 32 = 12 << 5`

`12 = 0b00000000.....1001`

`<< 5 = 0b00.....100100000`

`= 1(32) + 1(256) = 288`

Another Example:

`4160749577 * 32 = 4160749577 << 5`

`4160749577 =`

`0b1111100.....1001`

`<< 5 = 0b00.....100100000`

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Notice the MSb!

Unsigned: 4160749577

Signed: -134217719

$-134217719 * 32 = 288$

3) Exploiting this

Take the number you really want

580

Disguise it as negative

$580 \mid 0x80000000 = 134218308$

Let the multiplication unmask the disguise

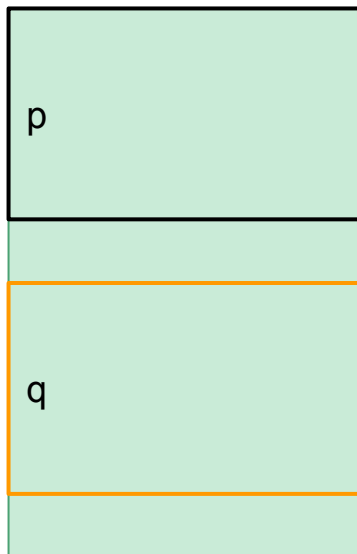
$134218308 * 32 = 580 * 32$

```
./target3 "134218308,\x90\x90\x90<shellcode>..."
```

Note: Remember that everything before the comma won't be part of the string 'in'. You may need some padding (NOPs) to make sure your address aligns correctly.

Sploit 4

Target4: Find the Vulnerability



```
int foo(char *arg)
{
    char *p;
    char *q;

    if ( (p = tmalloc(300)) == NULL)
    {
        fprintf(stderr, "tmalloc failure\n");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    if ( (q = tmalloc(325)) == NULL)
    {
        fprintf(stderr, "tmalloc failure\n");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    tfree(p);
    tfree(q);

    if ( (p = tmalloc(1024)) == NULL)
    {
        fprintf(stderr, "tmalloc failure\n");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    obsd_strncpy(p, arg, 1024);

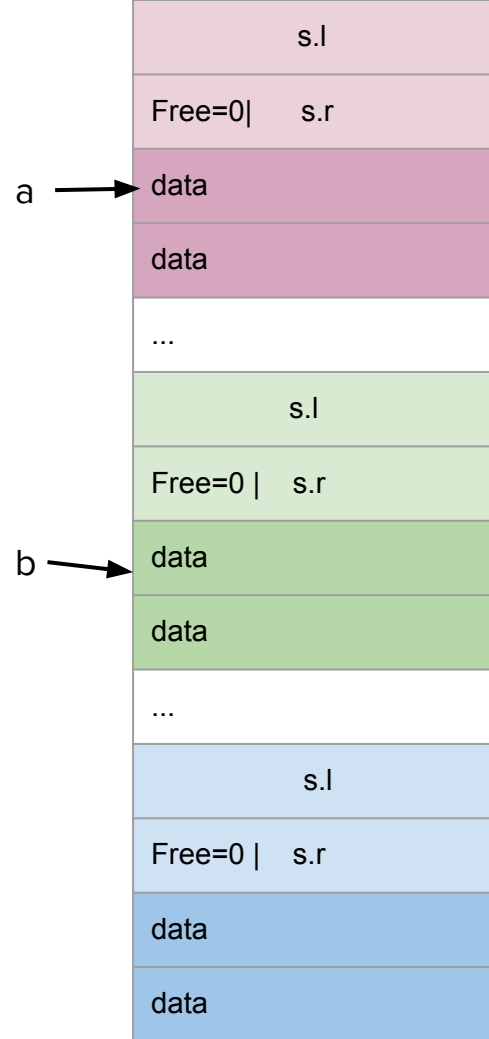
    tfree(q);

    return 0;
}
```

Heap Chunks

`a = malloc(...)`

`b = malloc(...)`



tfree()

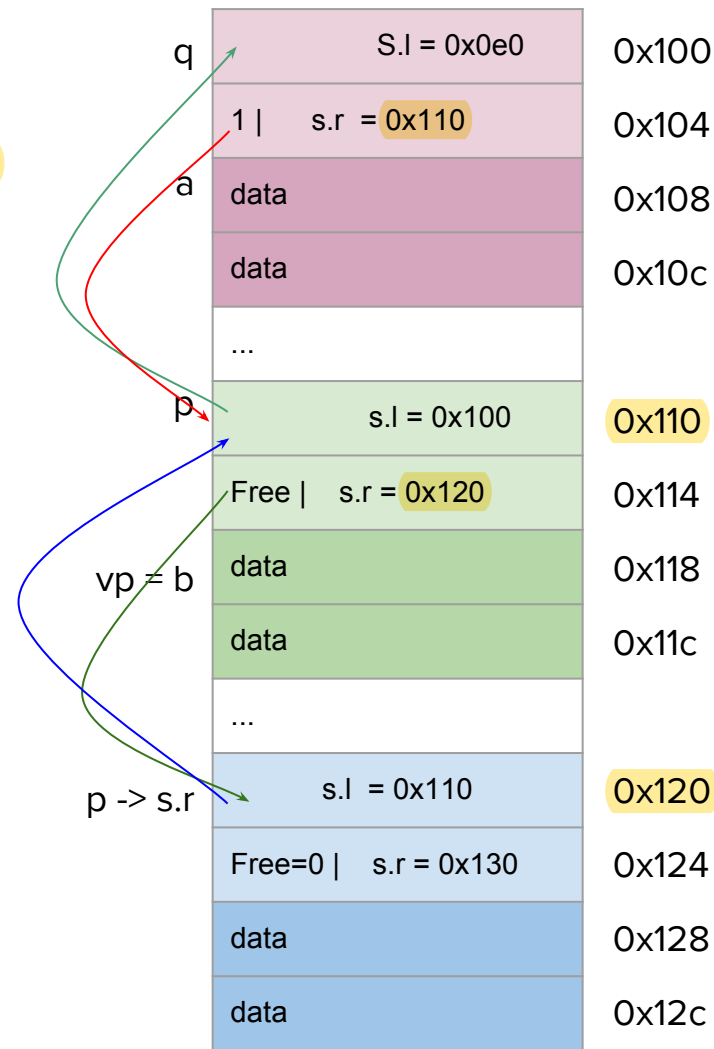
Assume a was already freed, and now we're calling tfree(b)

coalesce leftward...

```
void tfree(void *vp)
{
    CHUNK *p, *q;

    if (vp == NULL)
        return;

    p = TOCHUNK(vp);
    CLR_FREEBIT(p);
    q = p->s.l;
    if (q != NULL && GET_FREEBIT(q)) /* try to consolidate leftward */
    {
        CLR_FREEBIT(q);
        q->s.r = p->s.r;
        p->s.r->s.l = q;
        SET_FREEBIT(q);
        p = q;
    }
}
```



tfree()

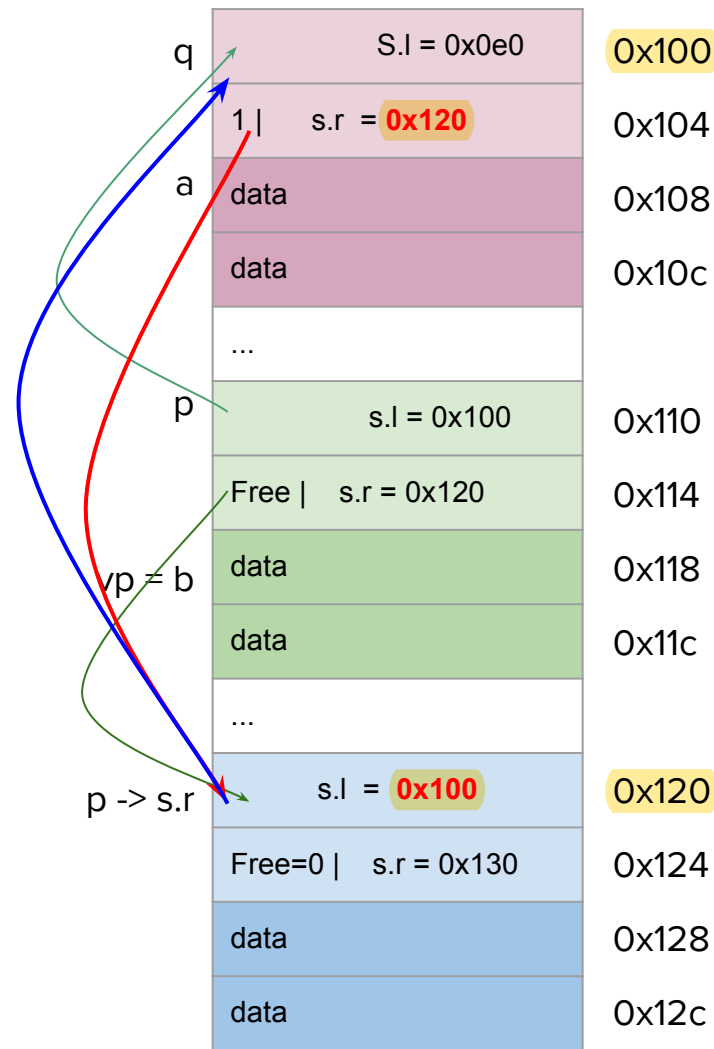
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    {
        CLR_FREEBIT(q);
        q->s.r = p->s.r;
        p->s.r->s.l = q;
        SET_FREEBIT(q);
        p = q;
    }
}
```

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Aside: structs and memory

```
struct foo{
    int a;
    int b;
};

struct bar {
    struct foo * p1;
    struct foo * p2;
};

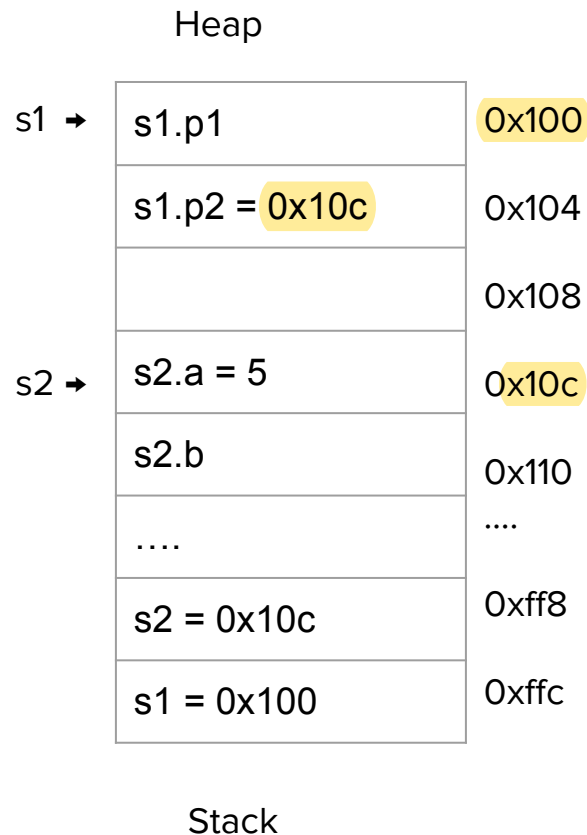
struct bar * s1 = malloc(sizeof(struct bar));
struct foo * s2 = malloc(sizeof(struct foo));
s1->p2 = s2;
s1->p2->a = 5;
```

| | | |
|------|---------------|-------|
| s1 → | s1.p1 | 0x100 |
| | s1.p2 = 0x10c | 0x104 |
| | | 0x108 |
| s2 → | s2.a = 5 | 0x10c |
| | s2.b | 0x110 |
| | | |
| | s2 = 0x10c | 0xff8 |
| | s1 = 0x100 | 0xffc |

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```
struct foo{  
    int a;  
    int b;  
};  
  
struct bar {  
    struct foo * p1;  
    struct foo * p2;  
};  
  
struct bar * s1 = malloc(sizeof(struct bar));  
struct foo * s2 = malloc(sizeof(struct foo));  
s1 -> p2 = s2;  
s1 -> p2 -> a = 5;
```

Equivalent to: $*(s1 + 4 \text{ bytes}) = s2$
 $*(*(s1 + 4) + 0) = 5$



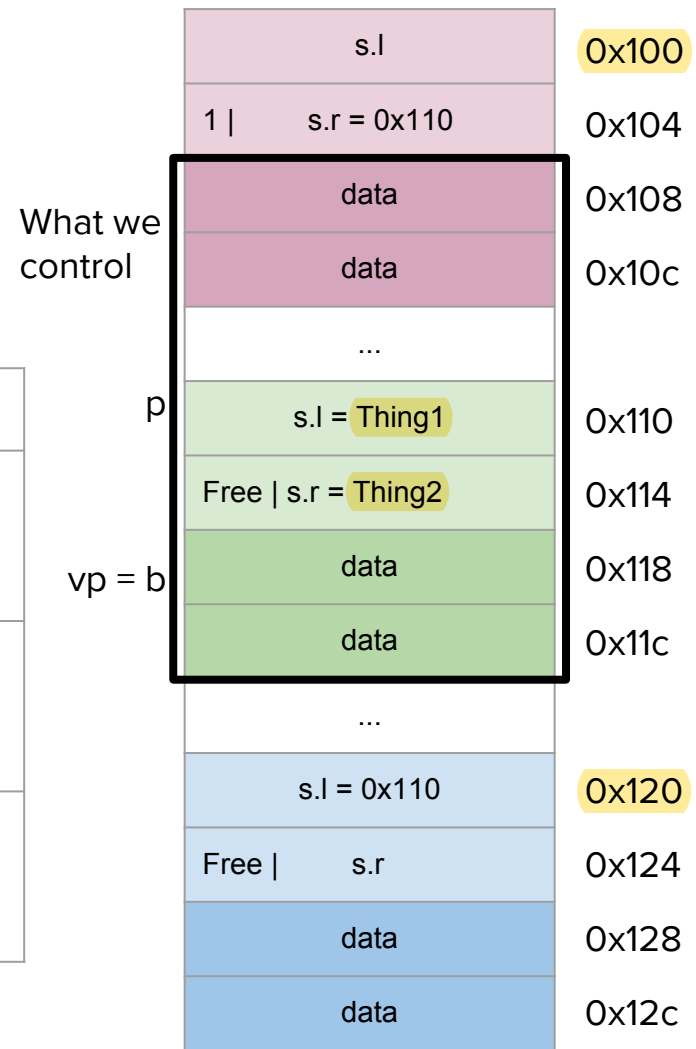
CHUNK struct

| Linked List Code | Arbitrary Pointer Operations |
|---|--|
| $q = p \rightarrow s.l$ | $q = *(p + 0)$ $q = *p$ |
| $q \rightarrow s.r = p \rightarrow s.r$ | $*(q + 4) = *(p + 4)$ $*(*p + 4) = *(p + 4)$ |
| $p \rightarrow s.r \rightarrow s.l = q$ | $*(*(p+4) + 0) = q$ $*(*(p+4)) = *p$ |

```
typedef double ALIGN;  
  
typedef union CHUNK_TAG  
{  
    struct  
    {  
        union CHUNK_TAG *l;  
        union CHUNK_TAG *r;  
    } s;  
    ALIGN x;  
} CHUNK;
```

What memory will free() change?

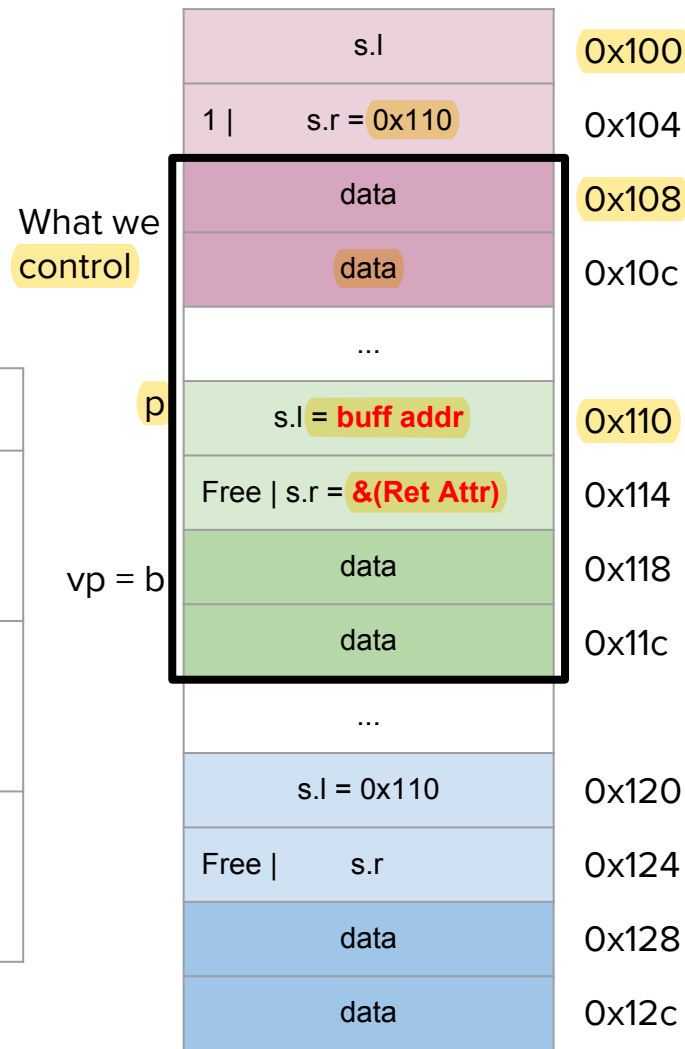
| Linked List Code | Arbitrary Pointer Operations |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| <code>q = p -> s.l</code> | <code>q = *(p + 0)</code> <code>q = Thing1</code> |
| <code>q->s.r = p -> s.r</code> | <code>*(q + 4) = *(p + 4)</code> <code>Thing1[4-7] = Thing2</code> |
| <code>p->s.r->s.l = q</code> | <code>*(*(p+4) + 0) = q</code> <code>Thing2[0-3] = Thing1</code> |



So what if in that memory we put...

The address of the Ret Addr is \$ebp + 4

| Linked List Code | Arbitrary Pointer Operations |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| <code>q = p -> s.l</code> | <code>q = *(p + 0)</code> q = buf |
| <code>q->s.r = p -> s.r</code> | <code>*(q + 4) = *(p + 4)</code> buf[4-7] = &(ret addr) |
| <code>p->s.r->s.l = q</code> | <code>* (*(p+4) + 0) = q</code> Ret addr = buf |



Free Bit

In order to enter the if, we must pass

GET_FREEBIT(q), so the LSb of q->s.r

needs to be 1

- Remember Little Endian
- the CLR_FREEBIT operation makes sure that the original q->s.r is used for the coalescing, and SET_FREEBIT sets the bit back.

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        p = q;
    }
}
```

Breakdown

| Linked List Code | Arbitrary Pointer Operations | Exploit result |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| <code>q = p -> s.l</code> | <code>q = *(p + 0)</code> <code>q = *p</code> | q = &buf |
| <code>q->s.r = p -> s.r</code> | <code>*(q + 4) = *(p + 4)</code> <code>*(*p + 4) = *(p + 4)</code> | buf[4-7] = ret addr |
| <code>p->s.r->s.l = q</code> | <code>*(*(p+4) + 0) = q</code> <code>*(*(p+4)) = *p</code> | ret addr = &buf |

Side Effect: Corruption

`buf[4-7] = &(ret addr)`

- Corrupts our buffer

`Ret addr = buf`

- What we want

`buf = 0x100`

| |
|----------------------------------|
| shellcode |
| <Corrupted by first assignment > |
| <...shellcode....> |
| |
| |
| 0x100 |
| ebp + 4 |
| |

q

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“Solution” 1: Nops?

buf = 0x100

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Nop | Nop | Nop | Nop |
| <Corrupted by first assignment > | | | |
| shellcode.... | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| 0x100 | | | |
| ebp + 4 | | | |
| | | | |

q

Side Effect: Corruption

$(0x108)[4-7] = \&(\text{ret addr})$

- Corrupts our buffer

Ret addr = buf

- What we want

“Solution” 1: Nops?

- Still execute corrupted address

“Solution” 2: Choose a later address?

| | |
|-------------|----------------------------------|
| buf = 0x100 | Nop Nop Nop Nop |
| | |
| 0x108 | shellcode.... |
| | <Corrupted by first assignment > |
| | |
| | 0x108 |
| q | ebp + 4 |
| | |

Side Effect: Corruption

$(0x108)[4-7] = \&(\text{ret addr})$

- Corrupts our buffer

Ret addr = buf

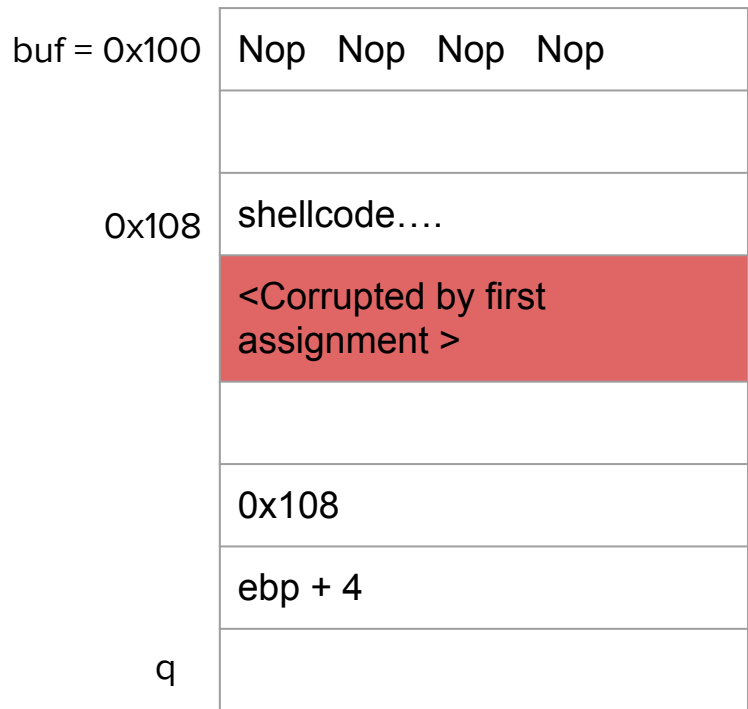
- What we want

“Solution” 1: Nops?

- Still execute corrupted address

“Solution” 2: Choose a later address?

- The corruption moves with us



Jump the corruption

buf = 0x100

buf[4-7] = &(ret addr)

- Corrupts our buffer

Ret addr = buf

- What we want

Solution 3: Jmp over the corrupted memory

JMP instruction (JMP rel16/32)

- <http://ref.x86asm.net/coder32.html>

How much to jump?

- Relative to the first byte after 'Amt'

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| JMP | Amt | NOP | NOP |
| <Corrupted by first assignment > | | | |
| shellcode.... | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| 0x100 | | | |
| ebp + 4 | | | |
| | | | |

q

How do we fix these vulnerabilities?

1. Buffer overflow
2. Buffer overflow (off by 1)
3. Integer
4. Double free()

Questions?