

# ASLR - Address Space Layout Randomization

- The OS randomize the location (random offset) of the stack, the heap and the standard libraries
- Harder for the attacker to guess buffer addresses and the address of a lib-c subroutine
- Disabling ASLR protection on Linux  
`$ sysctl kernel.randomize_va_space=0`
- Bypassing ASLR protection :
  - Brute-force attack to guess the ASLR offset
  - Get the offset with targeted data leak

# PIC/PIE - Position Independent Code/Executables

- **Without PIC/PIE**

library or code is compiled with absolute addresses and must be loaded at a specific location to function correctly

- **With PIC/PIE**

library or code is compiled with relative addressing that are resolved dynamically when executed by calling a function to obtain the return value on stack

- Disabling PIE protection on Linux

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$ gcc ...-z -no-pie
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➔ Works complementarily of the ASLR