

Lec I Introduction .

CIA

Lee 2 Security Principle

- Don't Blame the User
- Security is the economics
- Countermeasures:

1° Prevention:

Ex. bufferoverflow ← Memory-safe

language python

— prevention fails, fail hard

Ex: Bitcoin transfer - irreversible

2° Detection & Defense in depth:

— False positive: alert when nothing there → ~~cost~~

— False negative: fail to alert when something there → ~~failure~~

— defense in depth:

Ex: compose detectors — 2 independent, FP_1, FP_2 & FN_1, FN_2

① parallel composition: either may alert

$$FN : FN_1 \times FN_2 \quad FP : FP_1 + FP_2$$

② serial composition, both alert

→ trade off

$$FN : FN_1 + FN_2 \quad FP : FP_1 \times FP_2$$

Ex.: Password Authentication. — reuse password.

1° password manager

2° two factor authentication: need both correct password
2 separate device

- Measure Attacker Capabilities

- time & capabilities needed for an attacker

- security is economics < security↑, cost↑
purchasers↑, cost↓

- Least Privilege

- Design Patterns for Building Secure Systems

- \star The Trusted Computing Base (TCB)

1° identify TCB

2° security requirement of TCB:

- ① correct? \rightarrow verifage?

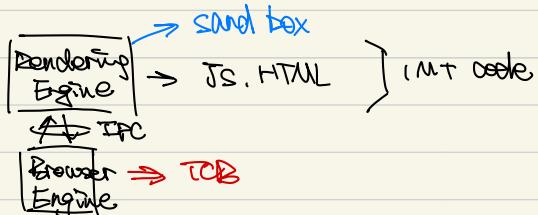
- ② complete? \rightarrow bypassable?

- ③ tamper-resistant? \rightarrow integrity of the TCB must be maintained.

\star KISS: keep it simple, stupid!

Ex.: Web Browser

separate privilege



Benefits of TCBs:

i) system separation

ii) modularity \Rightarrow isolation. keep potential problems localized.

o Ensuring complete mediation

\star TCB component : reference monitor \rightarrow access control

— verifiable

— single point through which all

— un-bypassable

access must occur

— tamper-proof

o use fail-safe defaults

Ex.: firewall - when fail, no packets can pass

o consider human factors

o only as secure as the weakest link

o don't rely on security through obscurity

o trusted path : trusted way to verify

o TOCTTOU : time of check to

(race condition) time of use vulnerability

\star reduce size of TCB

i) privilege separation

ii) separation of responsibility

Lec 3. Buffer Overflows

Ex:

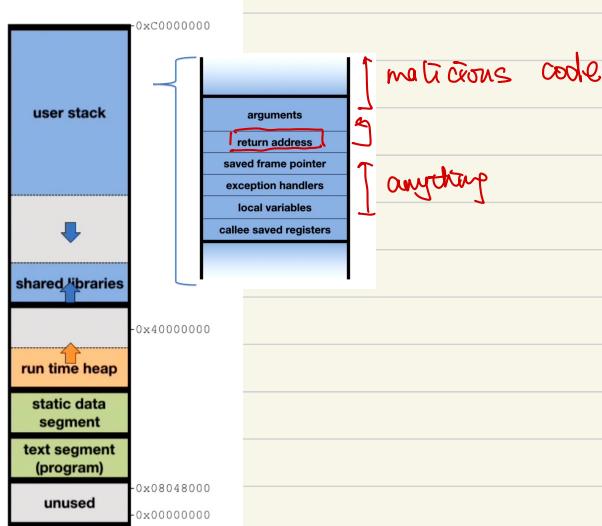
```
char name[20];  
int (*fptr)();  
void vulnerable() {  
    ...  
    gets(name);  
    ...  
}
```

- 1° where user input goes
- 2° conditions in ifs & loops
- 3° unsigned vs. signed
- 4° printf & format string vulnerabilities

when malicious code > 20 bytes:

input 20 bytes of garbage + addr of the attacker's code
+ attacker's code

1° stack smashing: overwrite the return address



2° signed / unsigned vulnerability

Ex:

```
void f(int len, char *data) {
    char buf[64];
    if (len > 64)
        return;
    memcpy(buf, data, len);
}
memcpy(void *si, const void *s2,
       size_t n);
```

3° Integer Overflow vulnerability

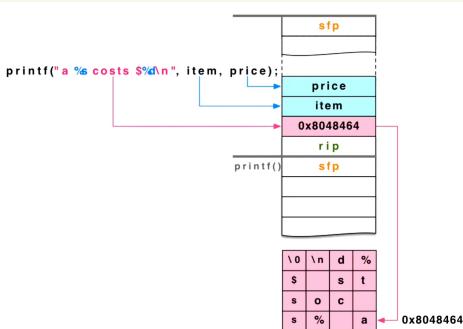
Ex:

```
void f(size_t len, char *data) {
    char *buf = malloc(len + 2);
    if (buf == NULL) return;
    memcpy(buf, data, len);
    buf[len] = '\n';
    buf[len + 1] = '\0';
}
```

0xFFFFFFF

⇒ %N ELLIPSIS WRITE.

4° Format String Vulnerability



```
printf("100% dude!");  
      = prints value 4 bytes above retaddr as integer  
printf("100% sir!");  
      = prints bytes pointed to by that stack entry  
      up through first NUL  
printf("%d %d %d %d ...");  
      = prints series of stack entries as integers  
printf("%d %s");  
      = prints value 4 bytes above retaddr plus bytes  
      pointed to by preceding stack entry  
printf("100% nuke'm!");
```

%7t → writes the number of
characters so far into the
corresponding format argument
⇒ random address write! ☹

5° Vulnerabilities Outside the Stack

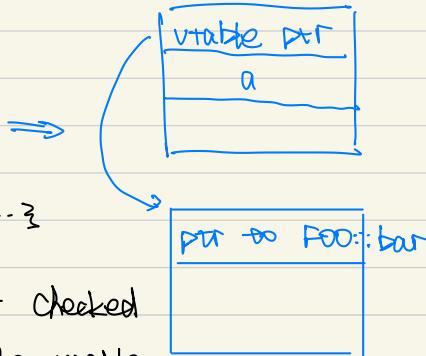
- heap overflow : overwrite a vtable pointer

C++ :

```
class FOO {  
    int a;  
    public virtual void bar() {}  
};
```

Def:

A buffer in the heap is not checked
• write beyonds and overwrites the vtable
ptr of the next object in the heap



- Use after free

- write data to a freed buffer which might be allocated to another object.
- Memory Safety : No accesses to undefined memory

←
read access
write access
execute access

- ① Spatial Safety:
No access out of bounds
- ② Temporal Safety:
No access before or after lifetime of object.

Lec 4 Buffer Overflow Defenses

- memory-safe language
- non-memory-safe language → bounds check
- OS / compiler level → harden non-memory-safe language code against exploits

I° Reasoning about memory safety

— module by module basis:

precondition: what must hold for function to operate correctly

postcondition: what holds after function complete.

Ex.: /* p can't be NULL and p a valid pointer */

① int deref (int *p) {
 return *p;
}

↑
precondition

②

void *mymalloc(size_t n) {
 void *p = malloc(n);
 if (!p) { perror("malloc"); exit(1); }
 return p;
}

③

int sum(int a[], size_t n) {
 int total = 0;
 for (size_t i=0; i<n; i++)
 total += a[i];
 return total;
}

a != NULL && i < size(a)

→ invariant: i = n && n <= size(a)

- ① identify each point of memory access
- ② write down precondition it requires
- ③ propagate requirement up to func level

(4)

```

char *tbl[N]; /* N > 0, has type int */
int hash(char *s) {
    int h = 17;
    while (*s)
        h = 257*h + (*s++) + 3;
    return h % N;
}

bool search(char *s) {
    int i = hash(s);
    return tbl[i] && (strcmp(tbl[i], s)==0);
}

```

↓ memory unsafe

postcondition:

⇒ integer overflow:

if $h < 0$, $h \% N < 0$



← same for every function.

2° Code Hardening

① STACK CANARIES : random values chosen when program starts

goal: protect return address

— store canary before saved return values

— function prologue pushes canary, epilogue checks canary against stored value to see if it has changed.

ATTACK stack canary:

- ① Learn the value of the canary, and overwrite it with itself
 - e.g., a format string vulnerability, an information leak elsewhere that dumps it
- ② Random-access write past the canary ⇒ format string vulnerability
 - Canary only defends against consecutive writes
- ③ Overflow in the heap
- Overwrite function pointer or C++ object on the stack
- Bottom line: Bypassable but raises the bar
 - A simple stack overflow doesn't work anymore:
Need something a bit more robust
 - Minor but nearly negligible performance impact



② Non-Executable Page (aka DEP, W^X)

- mark writable pages as non-executable executable non-writable
 - No noticeable performance impact
 - can still overwrite local variables

ATTACK:

return to libC; set up the stack and "return" to exec()

Return Oriented Programming

- Idea: chain together “return-to-libc” idea many times
 - Find a set of short code fragments (gadgets) that when called in sequence execute the desired function
 - Inject into memory a sequence of saved “return addresses” that will invoke them
 - Sample gadget: add one to EAX, then return
 - ROP compiler
 - Find enough gadgets scattered around existing code that they’re Turing-complete
 - Compile your malicious payload to a sequence of these gadgets

against

3° Address Space Layout Randomization (ASLR)

- Randomize the start of different memory sections.
 - code
 - library
 - start of the stack & heap.

⇒ return address modification
unknown
 - Performance overhead is close to 0%
 - ASLR + DEP ★ defense in depth
 - need both buffer overflow and a separate information leak (way to fill in the return addresses for ROP chain)

4° Fuzz testing

Program crashes \Rightarrow bug

→ generate test cases:

- Random testing: generate random inputs
- Mutation testing: start from valid inputs, randomly flip bits in them
- Coverage-guided mutation testing: start from valid input, flip bits, measure coverage of each modification, keep any inputs that covered new code

□

strcpy(c, s) \leftarrow strncpy
gets(s) \leftarrow fgets(s)

□

void foo (int *dest) {

printf ("Hello world! %n\n", dest);

}

通过指针
 \Rightarrow 随机地地写

随机打乱字符串