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CS3339 Lab

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CS 3339 - Lab 7 - Lab Report

1: Get stack pointer

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(student@kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]

$ gcc -0 getsp get sp.c

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$ ls
a.out EC.c getsp get_sp.c

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$ ./getsp
Stack pointer (ESP): 0xbffff158

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2: Check EC & get_sp

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Stack pointer (ESP): 0*bffff158

(student@kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]
$ ./getsp
Stack pointer (ESP): 0*bffff158

(student@kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]
$ gcc -fno-stack-protector -z execstack -mpreferred-stack-boundary-2 -o EC -ggdb EC.c
EC.c: In function 'main':
EC.c:7:2: warning: implicit declaration of function 'strcpy' [-Wimplicit-function-declaration]
7 | strcpy(theString, argv[1]);
EC.c:7:2: warning: incompatible implicit declaration of built-in function 'strcpy'
EC.c:2:12: warning: include 'sstring.h>' or provide a declaration of 'strcpy'
1 | #include <stdio.h>
+#include <string.h>
2 |

(student@kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]
$ chmod u+s EC

(student@kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]
$ .fcc helloworld
You entered: helloworld

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3: Find the number of overwrite.

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└$ ./EC perl -e "print 'A'x405"
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 —(student⊕kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]
_$ ./EC perl -e "print 'A'x407'
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—(student⊕kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]
$ ./EC perl -e "print 'A'x408"
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zsh: segmentation fault ./EC `perl -e "print 'A'x408";`
 —(student⊗kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab7]
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(gdb) run `perl -e "print 'A'x411";
The program being debugged has been started already.
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y
Starting program: /home/student/Desktop/Lab7/EC `perl -e "print 'A'x411";`
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Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
 ×00414141 in ?? ()
(gdb) info reg ebp eip
                        0×41414141
ebp
          0×41414141
eip
          0×414141
                        0×414141
(gdb) run `perl -e "print 'A'x412";`
The program being debugged has been started already.
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y
Starting program: /home/student/Desktop/Lab7/EC `perl -e "print 'A'x412";`
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Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
 (41414141 in ?? ()
(gdb) info reg ebp eip
ebn
          0×41414141
                        0×41414141
eip
          0×41414141
                        0×41414141
(gdb)
```

4: Open the terminal

5: What are some malicious ways this attack could be used?

Since the Buffer Overflow may overwrite other parts of the program or even things at the outside of the program, an attacker could overwrite parts of the program they shouldn't have access to and even get program to execute their own code.

6: How could you protect against this type of attack?

The attack should be prevented at the beginning. For example, the development should use a memory safe language with kernel memory protection. Also, if the program requires a user to enter an input, the program needs to have some error-check mechanism to prevent input get out of bound.