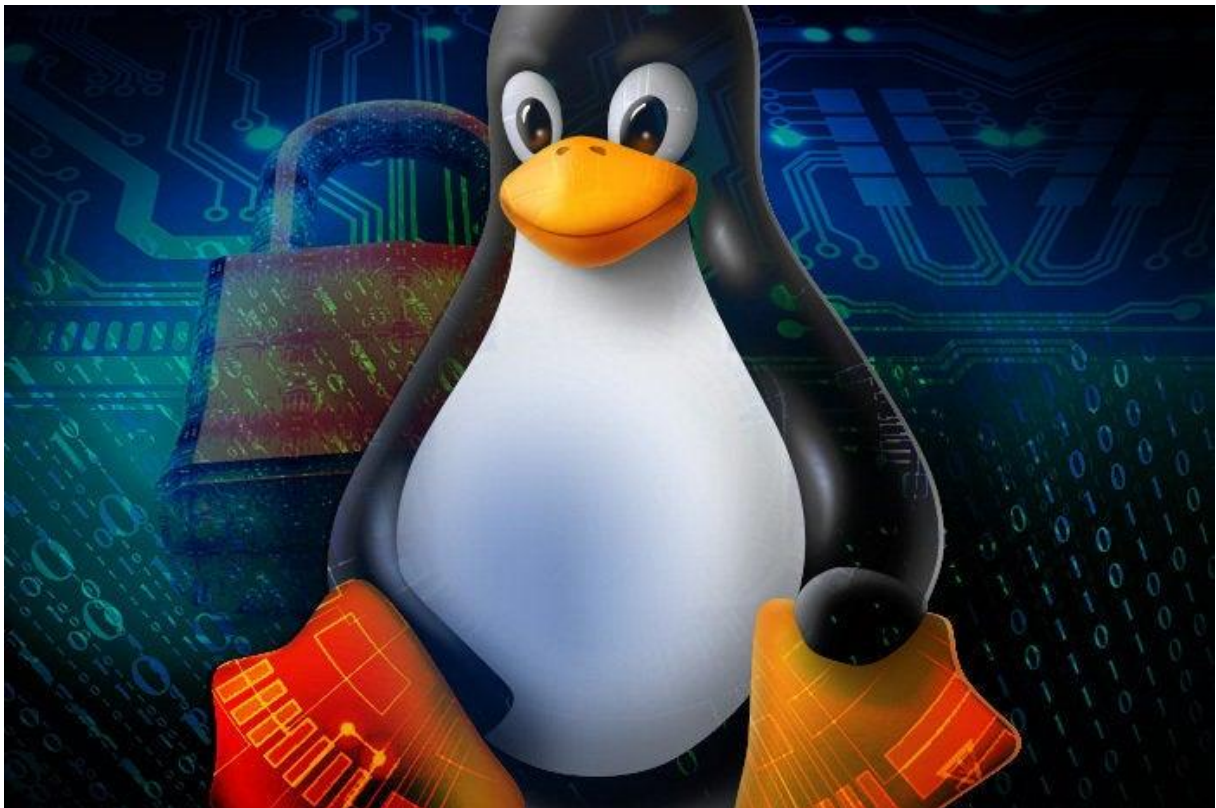


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LAB 4: Data Types in Assembly Programming

One of the points that should be known when writing a program using the assembly is the size of the data. 1 byte field is reserved for the variable defined by the .byte. .ascii is used for specifying character strings, and .asciz, terminated characters, and .int, 32-bit integer values, and .short, 16-bit integer values, and .float, fractional numbers. Common memory areas are indicated by .comm, and local memory areas, by .lcomm. For a better understanding of the subject, a simple assembly program will be written as follows and analyzed with the GDB.

Within the code, "assembly hacker" will be inserted into the string variable, and the value 32, in the variable integer, and the elements 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, in the variable array, and the element 12, in the variable short, and the element 11, in the variable byte. A field of 2000 bytes, which is not initialized with initial values, is reserved in the common memory area.

```
.data
    string:
        .asciz "assembly hacker"
    integer:
        .int 32
    array:
        .int 1,2,3,4,5
    short:
        .short 12
    byte:
        .byte 11
.bss
    .comm buffer, 2000
.text
    .global _start
    _start:
        nop
        movl $1, %eax
        movl $0, %ebx
        int $0x80
```

Since the codes will be analyzed with GDB, the parameter `-gstabs` is used while they are being converted into the objects.

The program is linked as follows

```
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ as -gstabs datatypes.s -o datatypes.o
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ld datatypes.o -o datatypes
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ gdb datatypes
```

While analyzing with the tool GDB, the following steps are examined:

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```
28          movl $1, %eax
29          movl $0, %ebx
30          int  $0x80
(gdb)
31
(gdb) break 28
Breakpoint 1 at 0x8048075: file datatypes.s, line 28.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/datatypes

Breakpoint 1, _start () at datatypes.s:28
28          movl $1, %eax
(gdb) info variables
All defined variables:

Non-debugging symbols:
0x08049084  string
0x08049094  integer
0x08049098  array
0x080490ac  short
0x080490ae  byte
0x080490b0  buffer
```

The beginning addresses of the data kept within the variables in the memory are displayed using the command `info variables` after the breakpoint has been placed at the code in the 28th line and the program has been executed with the command `run`. The initial address point of the “assembly hacker” array that the string variable holds in itself is the address value that is written opposite the string variable. With the `x / examine` command, the data in the addresses can be displayed as shown below:

```

(gdb) x/15cb 0x08049084
0x8049084 <string>:  97 'a' 115 's' 115 's' 101 'e' 109 'm' 98 'b' 108 'l' 121 '
y'
0x804908c <string+8>: 32 ' ' 104 'h' 97 'a' 99 'c' 107 'k' 101 'e' 114 'r'
(gdb) x/4db 0x08049094
0x8049094 <integer>: 32 0 0 0
(gdb) x/2db 0x080490ac
0x80490ac <short>: 12 0
(gdb) x/1db 0x080490ae
0x80490ae <byte>: 11
(gdb) x/5db 0x08049098
0x8049098 <array>: 1 0 0 0 2
(gdb) x/55db 0x08049098
0x8049098 <array>: 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 0
0x80490a0 <array+8>: 3 0 0 0 4 0 0 0
0x80490a8 <array+16>: 5 0 0 0 12 0 11 0
0x80490b0 <buffer>: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0x80490b8 <buffer+8>: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0x80490c0 <buffer+16>: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0x80490c8 <buffer+24>: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
(gdb) x/10db 0x080490b0
0x80490b0 <buffer>: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0x80490b8 <buffer+8>: 0 0

```

As can be seen in the screenshot, there are the variable values created within the memory region pointed by the addresses.

LAB 5: Assembly Variable Assignment And Moving Operations

In order to understand the assembly coding while reading the assembly codes, the syntax and rules of the transport operations must be known. 32-bit data is moved with the command `movl`, and 16-bit data, with the command `movw`, and and 1-byte, that is to say 8-bit, data, with the command `movb`. The data movement can be done from one register to another register. For example, with the command `%ecx`, the `movl%eax` is moved into the register `ecx` in the `eax`. The point to be considered while moving data is that the source and target must be the same size. In addition, data can be moved from a memory region to a register (vice versa).

Let's examine the representative code below:

variable_place:

.int 20

movl %eax, variable_place: The address showing the value 20 is placed in the `eax`.

In that ... case, the (`%eax`) shows 20, and the `%eax` moves the address value to The immediate values (data such as fixed numbers) can be copied directly into the register. For example, the following code can be used to put the value 20 into the register `eax`:

movl \$20, %eax

The value of the variable in a memory region can be changed as follows:

memory_place:

.byte 10

movb \$20, memory_place: while there is the value 10 in the memory address, the value 20 is put into the place indicated by this address. The structure ***array(offset, index, size)*** is used to move the value into the array. A sample movement is shown in the output below:

array:

.int 10, 20, 30, 40, 50

movl %eax, array(0,2,4): The value in the eax will be written instead of 30.



Important Rules for AT&T Syntax:

- When the “\$” sign comes before the tag name, the memory address of the variable is taken. For example, when *variable_place* was written in the above example, the value stored in the address was taken. If *\$ variable_location* was used, the address pointing to the variable would be represented.
- (*%edi*) indicates the value stored in the region indicated by the address in the *edi* register. The memory region where the value 9 is kept with the *edi* is displayed with the command *movl \$11, (%edi)*, that is the (*%edi*) gives the value of 9.
- The meaning of the code ***movl \$4, 9(%edi)*** is that 9 will be added to the address indicated by the *edi* and the number 9 will be placed in the newly displayed memory region: (*EDI + 9*).
- Likewise, the *-2 (%edi)* indicates the location of the address (*EDI -2*).

The GDB analysis will be performed on the program by writing additional codes to the codes written in LAB 4 for a better understanding of the subject. The following codes are added to the section `_start`: on the program codes written in LAB 4:

```
.global _start

_start:

    #tamsayı değerini direk register içerisine taşıma register içeri
    #sinde adres yerine rakam olacak
    movl $20, %eax

    # değeri değişken içine atama integer değişkeni bir hafıza bölge
    #si içerisine 6 değeri atılacak
    movl $6, integer

    # değişken içerisindeki değeri registera atma
    movl bayt, %eax

    # yazmactan hafızaya dolaylı atama yapma
    movb $2, %al
    movb %al, bayt

    # hafıza bölge adresinin yazmaca atanması ve yazmacın işaret et
    #tiği bölge içerisindeki değerin değiştirilmesi
    movl $bayt, %edi
    movl $12, (%edi)

    # dizinin 3. elemanının değiştirilmesi
    movl $0, %ecx
    movl $2, %edi
    movl $13, array(%ecx, %edi, 4)

    nop
    movl $1, %eax
    movl $0, %ebx
    int $0x80
```

After the program written above has been assembled and linked, it is analyzed with the GDB as follows.

The program is linked using the the commands below:

as -gstabs program.s -o program.o

ld program.o -o program

The analysis starts with the command `gdb./program`. The breakpoint is set at the point `_start`. In this way, the program flow will be monitored.

“gdb ./program” ?


```

(gdb) break _start
Breakpoint 1 at 0x8048074: file datatypes.s, line 28.
(gdb) info variables
All defined variables:

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490bc  string
0x080490cc  integer
0x080490d0  array
0x080490e4  short
0x080490e6  byte
0x080490f0  buffer
(gdb) run
Starting program: /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/datatypes

Breakpoint 1, _start () at datatypes.s:28
28      movl $20, %eax
(gdb) info registers
eax             0x0          0
ecx             0x0          0
edx             0x0          0
ebx             0x0          0
esp             0xbffff3b0    0xbffff3b0
ebp             0x0          0x0
esi             0x0          0
edi             0x0          0
eip             0x8048074      0x8048074 <_start>
eflags          0x202        [ IF ]
cs              0x73          115
ss              0x7b          123
ds              0x7b          123
es              0x7b          123
fs              0x0          0
gs              0x0          0
(gdb) █

```

When the program which the breakpoint is set on is started with the command run, the instant values of the addresses where the variables are in memory and of the registers are shown in the output as above. When the code is run with the command s, the value 20 is put into the eax register as shown below:

“s” ?


```

31      movl $6, integer
(gdb) info registers
eax      0x14      20
ecx      0x0       0
edx      0x0       0
ebx      0x0       0
esp      0xbffff3b0 0xbffff3b0
ebp      0x0       0x0
esi      0x0       0
edi      0x0       0
eip      0x8048079 0x8048079 <_start+5>
eflags   0x202     [ IF ]
cs       0x73      115
ss       0x7b      123
ds       0x7b      123
es       0x7b      123
fs       0x0       0
gs       0x0       0

```

16.1+1.4=20
Veri direk eax içerisine yazıldı

When looking inside the memory region, it is seen that the integer is the first assigned value and the value 6 is assigned instead of it after the code piece has worked.

```

(gdb) info variables
All defined variables:

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490bc  string
0x080490cc  integer
0x080490d0  array
0x080490e4  short
0x080490e6  bayt
0x080490f0  buffer
(gdb) x/1bd 0x080490cc
0x80490cc <integer>: 32
(gdb) s
34      movl bayt, %eax
(gdb) x/1bd 0x080490cc
0x80490cc <integer>: 6
(gdb) print integer
$2 = 6

```

When using the commands print and x (examine), these two commands can be mixed. The following experiment can be done to elucidate this confusion:

```

(gdb) info registers eax      (gdb) x/1db $eax
eax      0x14      20      0x14: Cannot access memory at address 0x14
(gdb) print $eax             (gdb) █
$4 = 20

```

The print command prints the value in the eax onto the screen, and the x command, the data kept in the memory area indicated by the address value in the eax onto the screen. The GDB has printed an error since the value 20 does not have any address.

```
(gdb) s
37                               movb $2, %al
(gdb) info registers eax
eax                0xb       11
(gdb) info variables
All defined variables:

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490bc  string
0x080490cc  integer
0x080490d0  array
0x080490e4  short
0x080490e6  byte
0x080490f0  buffer
(gdb) print $eax
$5 = 11
(gdb) x/1bd $eax
0xb:  Cannot access memory at address 0xb
(gdb) x/1bd 0x080490e6
0x80490e6 <byte>:  11
(gdb) █
```

As can be seen, the value 11 in the memory area addressed by byte is assigned to the eax register. In the next command, the value 2 will be assigned to the al, this value will be written instead of the value 11 in the memory region indicated by byte as shown below:

```

(gdb) s
38                               movb %al, bayt
(gdb) info registers al
al                               0x2      2
(gdb) s
41                               movl $bayt, %edi
(gdb) print bayt
$6 = 2
(gdb) info variables
All defined variables:

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490bc  string
0x080490cc  integer
0x080490d0  array
0x080490e4  short
0x080490e6  bayt
0x080490f0  buffer
(gdb) x/ldb 0x080490e6
0x80490e6 <bayt>:      2
(gdb) print &bayt
$8 = (<data variable, no debug info> *) 0x80490e6
(gdb) █

```

The address of the byte variable is shown above: &bayt. The value 2 is assigned to the variable byte. In the code line `movl $ byte,% edi`, the address of the variable byte is put into the register edi.

The value in the register edi becomes the value of the variable byte. When looking at the place pointed by the register edi with the command `x`, the value 2 is seen. When the value kept in the \$ edi is displayed with the command `print`, the decimal address of the variable byte is also printed on the screen as shown below:

```

(gdb) s
42                               movl $12, (%edi)
(gdb) info registers edi
edi                               0x80490e6      134516966
(gdb) info variables bayt
All variables matching regular expression "bayt":

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490e6  bayt
(gdb) x/ldb $edi
0x80490e6 <bayt>:      2
(gdb) print $edi
$10 = 134516966
(gdb) print &bayt
$11 = (<data variable, no debug info> *) 0x80490e6

```

After this step, the value 12 will be written into the memory region indicated by the `(%edi) edi`. Instead of this value, which was 2 previously, the value 12 is assigned as follows:

```

(gdb) s
45                                movl $0, %ecx
(gdb) info registers
eax                0x2          2
ecx                0x0          0
edx                0x0          0
ebx                0x0          0
esp                0xbffff3b0    0xbffff3b0
ebp                0x0          0x0
esi                0x0          0
edi                0x80490e6      134516966
eip                0x804809a      0x804809a <_start+38>
eflags            0x202        [ IF ]
cs                0x73          115
ss                0x7b          123
ds                0x7b          123
es                0x7b          123
fs                0x0          0
gs                0x0          0
(gdb) info variables bayt
All variables matching regular expression "bayt":

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490e6  bayt
(gdb) x/ldb 0x080490e6
0x080490e6 <bayt>:      12
(gdb) print $edi
$13 = 134516966
(gdb) print bayt
$14 = 12
(gdb) █

```

In the last step, the value in the array is changed as follows:

```

(gdb) s
46          movl $2, %edi
(gdb) s
47          movl $13, array(%ecx, %edi, 4)
(gdb) s
49          nop
(gdb) info variables array
All variables matching regular expression "array":

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490d0  array
(gdb) x/20db 0x080490d0
0x80490d0 <array>:  1      0      0      0      2      0      0      0
0x80490d8 <array+8>: 13      0      0      0      4      0      0      0
0x80490e0 <array+16>: 5       0      0      0
(gdb) info registers ecx
ecx          0x0      0
(gdb) info registers edi
edi          0x2      2
(gdb) print $edi
$15 = 2
(gdb) print $ecx
$16 = 0
(gdb) █

```

The value 13 is assigned instead of the value 3. In the application above, the assignments made with the command `mov` in Linux 32-bit assembly are exemplified.

LAB 6: Assembly Character Operations

In this example application, the character operations will be shown and their analysis will be performed on GDB. In the first step, the sample program is written as follows. In the program written, ESI shows the source character, and EDI, the target. As will be remembered from the first chapter, the register esi is used for reading, and the register edi, for writing. The written sample program is shown below:

```
.data
    string1:
        .asciz "Linux Assembly 32 bit"
    string2:
        .asciz "reverse enginnering"
.bss
    .lcomm var1, 100
    .lcomm var2, 100
    .lcomm var3, 100
.text
    .global _start
    _start:
        nop

        #string 1 adresi esi içerisine taşınır
        movl $string1, %esi
        #string 2 adresi edi içerisine taşınır
        movl $string2, %edi
        # tek byte kopyalamak için:
        movsb
        # 16 bitlik veri kopyalamak için:
        movsw
        # 32 bitlik veri kopyalamak için:
        movsl

        # Direction Flag değerlerini temizleme ayar yapma

        std # set direction flag
        cld # clear direction flag

        # Rep kullanarak string kopyalama

        movl $string1, %esi
        movl $var3, %edi
        movl $21, %ecx # kopyalanacak karakter uzunluğu
```



```

movl $21, %ecx # kopyalanacak karakter uzunlugu
cld # direction flag sıfırlanır
rep movsb
std

# hafizadan eax yazmacına karakter kopyalama

cld
# load effective address ( leal ):
leal string1, %esi #leal direk kopyalama yapar
lodsb # 1 byte kopyalama
movb $0, %al
dec %esi # esi değeri 1 azaltılır
lodsw # 16 bit kopyalama
movw $0, %ax # ax içerisine 0 yazıldı

subl $1, %esi # esi değeri orjinal karakteri gösteriyor
lodsl

# eax yazmacından hafızaya karakter depolama

leal var2, %edi
stosb
stosw

# karakter karşılaştırma

cld
leal string1, %esi
leal string2, %edi
cmpsb # compare string byte iki karakter dizisini karşılaştırır

# program sonlandırıcı

movl $1, %eax
movl $0, %ebx
int $0x80

```

```

passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ as -gstabs string.s -o string.o
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ld string.o -o string
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ./string
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$

```

The program will be analyzed with GDB by setting a breakpoint in the `_start` function. After the variables are defined on `.data` and `.bss`, the operations performed in `_start` will be explained step by step as follows:

As the program will read from the comment lines, after the `$` sign is put at the beginning of the variables and their addresses are loaded into the `esi` and `edi`, 1 byte data is copied from the source to the destination with the `movsb` command, and 16 bit data, from the source to the destination with the `movsw` command, and 32 bit data, from the source to the destination with the `movsl` command. The GDB analysis of the procedure described so far has been carried out as follows:

```

passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ./string
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ gdb ./string
GNU gdb (Ubuntu/Linaro 7.4-2012.04-0ubuntu2.1) 7.4-2012.04
Copyright (C) 2012 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law. Type "show copying"
and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "i686-linux-gnu".
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://bugs.launchpad.net/gdb-linaro/>...
Reading symbols from /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/string...done.
(gdb) break _start
Breakpoint 1 at 0x8048074: file string.s, line 16.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/string

```

```

Breakpoint 1, _start () at string.s:16
16                                nop
(gdb) █

```

```

passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ gdb ./string
GNU gdb (Ubuntu/Linaro 7.4-2012.04-0ubuntu2.1) 7.4-2012.04
Copyright (C) 2012 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law. Type "show copying"
and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "i686-linux-gnu".
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://bugs.launchpad.net/gdb-linaro/>...
Reading symbols from /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/string...done.
(gdb) break _start
Breakpoint 1 at 0x8048074: file string.s, line 16.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/string

```

```

Breakpoint 1, _start () at string.s:16
16                                nop
(gdb) info variables
All defined variables:

```

```

Non-debugging symbols:
0x080490d0  string1
0x080490e6  string2
0x08049100  var1
0x08049168  var2
0x080491d0  var3
(gdb) info registers $esi
esi                0x0      0
(gdb) info registers $edi
edi                0x0      0
(gdb)

```

The variables are displayed and their addresses are printed on the screen. The insides of the registers esi and edi are empty as seen. The first command to run is the nop command. When the program flow is continued after this command is executed, the initial addresses where the string1 characters are located in memory will be written into the esi, and the initial addresses where the string2 characters are located in memory, into the edi. In the last step, the copying will be done with the mov commands:

```
(gdb) s
19                               movl $string1, %esi
(gdb) s
21                               movl $string2, %edi
(gdb) info registers $esi
esi                               0x80490d0          134516944
(gdb) s
23                               movsb
(gdb) info registers $edi
edi                               0x80490e6          134516966
(gdb) print /x &string1
$3 = 0x80490d0
(gdb) print /x &string2
$4 = 0x80490e6
```

string1 değerinin adresi esi
string2 değerinin adresi edi içerisinde & işareti ile adres elde edilir.

```
(gdb) x/21sb &string1
0x80490d0 <string1>: "Linux Assembly 32 bit"
0x80490e6 <string2>: "reverse enginnering"
0x80490fa: ""
```

When the mov commands are executed, the string1 characters are copied onto the string2 as follows:

```
(gdb) s
25                               movsw
(gdb) x/1sb &string2
0x80490e6 <string2>: "Leverse enginnering"
(gdb) s
27                               movsl
(gdb) x/2sb &string2
0x80490e6 <string2>: "Linerse enginnering"
0x80490fa: ""
(gdb) s
31                               std # set direction flag
(gdb) x/4sb &string2
0x80490e6 <string2>: "Linux A enginnering"
0x80490fa: ""
0x80490fb: ""
0x80490fc: ""
```

First 1 byte, then 16 bit (2 byte) and then 32 bit (4 byte) data are copied onto the string2. The edi value changes with each copy operation. The edi register indicates where the last copied character is written. The output below shows the final value of the edi register:

```

(gdb) x/4sb &string2
0x80490e6 <string2>: "Linux A enginnering"
0x80490fa: ""
0x80490fb: ""
0x80490fc: ""
(gdb) print /x $edi
$7 = 0x80490ed
(gdb) x/1cb 0x80490ed
0x80490ed <string2+7>: 32 ' '
(gdb) x/1cb 0x80490ec
0x80490ec <string2+6>: 65 'A'
(gdb) x/1cb 0x80490eb
0x80490eb <string2+5>: 32 ' '
(gdb) x/1cb 0x80490ea
0x80490ea <string2+4>: 120 'x'
(gdb) x/1cb 0x80490e9
0x80490e9 <string2+3>: 117 'u'
(gdb) print /x $edi-1
$8 = 0x80490ec

```

DF is the flag that decides whether to increase or decrease the esi or edi values after each movs command. The gdb only shows the set flag values. For example, it is seen that the only if (interrupt flag) is set in the program flow in the output below:

```

(gdb) info registers
eax          0x0          0
ecx          0x0          0
edx          0x0          0
ebx          0x0          0
esp          0xbffff3b0    0xbffff3b0
ebp          0x0          0x0
esi          0x80490d7      134516951
edi          0x80490ed      134516973
eip          0x8048083      0x8048083 <_start+15>
eflags      0x202        [ IF ]
cs          0x73          115
ss          0x7b          123
ds          0x7b          123
es          0x7b          123
fs          0x0           0
gs          0x0           0
(gdb) █

```



```

(gdb) s
36                movl $string1, %esi
(gdb) print /x $esi
$9 = 0x80490d7
(gdb) print /x &string1
$10 = 0x80490d0
(gdb) s
37                movl $var3, %edi
(gdb) print /x $esi
$11 = 0x80490d0
(gdb) print /x &var3
$12 = 0x80491d0
(gdb) s
38                movl $21, %ecx # kopyalanacak karakter uzunlugu
(gdb) print /x $edi
$13 = 0x80491d0
(gdb) s
39                cld # direction flag sıfırlanır
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags          0x202    [ IF ]
(gdb) s
40                rep movsb
(gdb) s
41                std
(gdb) x/lcb &var3
0x80491d0 <var3>:      76 'L'
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags          0x202    [ IF ]
(gdb) s
45                cld
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags          0x602    [ IF DF ]
(gdb) s
47                leal string1, %esi #leal direk kopyalama yapar
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags          0x202    [ IF ]
(gdb)

```

The command rep is a command that repeats the character operations as long as the ecx value is greater than 0. In the first block of codes, the esi and edi values spontaneously increased with every mov operation. Therefore, after the first byte is copied, the movement process is carried out by getting the remaining values to continue from the address reached in the previous process. When the df is set in the operations with the rep, after the operation, the reset process is done with the cld command.

```
(gdb) x/21cb &var3
0x80491d0 <var3>:      76 'L'  105 'i' 110 'n' 117 'u' 120 'x' 32 ' ' 65 'A'1
15 's'
0x80491d8 <var3+8>:    115 's' 101 'e' 109 'm' 98 'b'  108 'l' 121 'y' 32 ' '5
1 '3'
0x80491e0 <var3+16>:   50 '2'  32 ' ' 98 'b'  105 'i' 116 't'
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags      0x202    [ IF ]
```

The GDB analysis of the progressive commands is done as shown below:

```
(gdb) x/21cb $var3
Value can't be converted to integer.
(gdb) x/21cb &var3
0x80491d0 <var3>:      76 'L'  105 'i' 110 'n' 117 'u' 120 'x' 32 ' ' 65 'A'1
15 's'
0x80491d8 <var3+8>:    115 's' 101 'e' 109 'm' 98 'b'  108 'l' 121 'y' 32 ' '5
1 '3'
0x80491e0 <var3+16>:   50 '2'  32 ' ' 98 'b'  105 'i' 116 't'
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags      0x202    [ IF ]
(gdb)
(gdb) s
48                                lodsb # 1 byte kopyalama
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags      0x202    [ IF ]
(gdb) s
49                                movb $0, %al
(gdb) s
50                                dec %esi # esi değeri 1 azaltılır
(gdb) info registers $eflags
eflags      0x202    [ IF ]
(gdb) info registers $esi
esi         0x80490d1    134516945
(gdb) s
51                                lodsw # 16 bit kopyalama
(gdb) info registers $esi
esi         0x80490d0    134516944
(gdb) s
52                                movw $0, %ax # ax içerisine 0 yazıldı
(gdb) info registers $ax
ax          0x694c    26956
(gdb) s
54                                subl $1, %esi # esi değeri orjinal karakteri gösteriyor
(gdb) info registers $ax
ax          0x0        0
(gdb) info registers $esi
esi         0x80490d2    134516946
(gdb) s
55                                lodsl
```


Using the LODSx command, the loading is done into the eax register. The source character address is indicated by the esi register. The lodsb moves 8-bit data from the memory into the al register, and the lodsw, 16 bit-data from the memory into the ax register, and the lodsl, 32-bit data from memory into the eax register. With the command leal (load effective address), the address of the string1 variable is written directly into the esi register. Using the lodsb command, the string1 variable's 1-byte (8-bit) data since the address at which it starts to sit in the memory with the esi is shown. By putting 0 into the al, the esi value is reduced by 1. The reason for this reduction is that the esi value has increased by 1 after the movement, and the code writer wants the register esi to return to its previous value. The 16-bit data is displayed by the esi using the lodsw command, and the 32-bit data, by the esi in order for the movement operation to be done using the lodsl command. With the sub command, the esi register value is reduced by 1 again and is returned to its previous value.

leal var2, %edi

stosb

stosw

In the code line written above, the address var2 is displayed with the edi, and then the relevant value is moved into the location shown in the memory with the edi with the stos command: If the stosb instruction is used, the value is moved with the al, and if the stosw instruction is used the value is moved with the ax, and if the stosl instruction is used the value is moved with the eax.

```

(gdb) s
55                                lodsl
(gdb) info registers $esi
esi                                0x80490d1            134516945
(gdb) x/5cb 0x80490d1
0x80490d1 <string1+1>: 105 'i' 110 'n' 117 'u' 120 'x' 32 ' '
(gdb) s
59                                leal var2, %edi
(gdb) x/15cb 0x80490d1
0x80490d1 <string1+1>: 105 'i' 110 'n' 117 'u' 120 'x' 32 ' ' 65 'A' 115 's'
115 's'
0x80490d9 <string1+9>: 101 'e' 109 'm' 98 'b' 108 'l' 121 'y' 32 ' ' 51 '3'
(gdb) s
60                                stosb
(gdb) info registers $edi
edi                                0x8049168            134517096
(gdb) print /x &var2
$14 = 0x8049168
(gdb) x/10sb &var2
0x8049168 <var2>:          ""
0x8049169 <var2+1>:        ""
0x804916a <var2+2>:        ""
0x804916b <var2+3>:        ""
0x804916c <var2+4>:        ""
0x804916d <var2+5>:        ""
0x804916e <var2+6>:        ""
0x804916f <var2+7>:        ""
0x8049170 <var2+8>:        ""
0x8049171 <var2+9>:        ""
(gdb) s
61                                stosw
(gdb) x/10sb &var2
0x8049168 <var2>:          "i"
0x804916a <var2+2>:        ""
0x804916b <var2+3>:        ""
0x804916c <var2+4>:        ""
0x804916d <var2+5>:        ""

```

In the last piece of the code, the first byte values of the two character strings indicated by the esi and edi were compared with the cmpsb command. The comparison is done like subtraction. If the result is zero, the data compared are the same. Therefore, zf (zero flag) will be set as 1.

```

68          cmpsb # compare string byte iki karakter dizisini karsi
lastirir
(gdb) info registers $edi
edi          0x80490e6          134516966
(gdb) print /x &string2
$15 = 0x80490e6
(gdb) x/20cb &string2
0x80490e6 <string2>:  76 'L' 105 'i' 110 'n' 117 'u' 120 'x' 32 ' ' 65 'A'3
2 ' '
0x80490ee <string2+8>: 101 'e' 110 'n' 103 'g' 105 'i' 110 'n' 110 'n' 101 'e'
114 'r'
0x80490f6 <string2+16>: 105 'i' 110 'n' 103 'g' 0 '\000'
(gdb) s
72          movl $1, %eax
(gdb) info registers
eax          0x78756e69          2020961897
ecx          0x0                0
edx          0x0                0
ebx          0x0                0
esp          0xbffff3b0         0xbffff3b0
ebp          0x0                0x0
esi          0x80490d1          134516945
edi          0x80490e7          134516967
eip          0x80480c4          0x80480c4 <_start+80>
eflags      0x246 [ PF ZF IF ]
cs          0x73                115
ss          0x7b                123
ds          0x7b                123
es          0x7b                123
fs          0x0                0
gs          0x0                0
(gdb) x/20cb &string1
0x80490d0 <string1>:  76 'L' 105 'i' 110 'n' 117 'u' 120 'x' 32 ' ' 65 'A'1
15 's'
0x80490d8 <string1+8>: 115 's' 101 'e' 109 'm' 98 'b' 108 'l' 121 'y' 32 ' '5
1 '3'

```

LAB 7: Assembly JMP Command, LOOP Creation And EXECVE LAB 7

The JMP command functions the same as the command GOTO in the C programming language. In other words, by showing the place to go in the program, the program flow continues over the shown place with the JMP command. The JMP commands, conditionally and unconditional, can be used within the program. The JMP working logic is examined in the program written below:

```
.section .data
    file_to_run:
        .asciz    "/bin/sh"
    message:
        .asciz    "Simple JMP Program JMP to EXECVE SH3113R"

.section .text
    .globl _start

_start:
    movl $4, %eax
    movl $1, %ebx
    leal message, %ecx
    movl $40, %edx
    int $0x80
    jmp execve

    movl $1, %eax
    movl $0, %ebx
    int $0x80

execve:
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp, %ebp
    subl $0x8, %esp           # array of two pointers. array[0] = fil
e_to_run array[1] = 0
    movl $file_to_run, %edi
    movl %edi, -0x8(%ebp)
    movl $0, -0x4(%ebp)
    movl $11, %eax           # sys_execve
    movl $file_to_run, %ebx   # file to execute
    leal -8(%ebp), %ecx      # command line parameters
    movl $0, %edx            # environment block
    int $0x80
    leave
    ret
```

When the program is examined, it is seen that global and assigned variables are defined on the .data segment side. The character string starting from the address indicated by the message variable in the `_start` is printed on the screen. With the `JMP` command, the outgoing code set was skipped and jumped to the `execve` tag. Firstly, a prelog operation is performed in the `execve` and a 8- byte section is reserved in the stack with the `SUB` command. This is because two 4 bytes of data must be put in the stack. The representation of the `Execve` program written in the C programming language is as follows:

```
char *data[2];

data[0] = "/bin/sh";

data[1] = NULL;

execve(data[0], data, NULL);
```

In the function, it is necessary to give the values `"/bin/sh"` and `NULL`, ie 0 through the array. Therefore, a 8-byte space is opened in the stack. System call number for `execve` is specified as 11 in the table in which the system call numbers are indicated:

11. sys_execve

Syntax: `int sys_execve(struct pt_regs regs)`

Source: `arch/i386/kernel/process.c`

Action: execute program

After the string `"/bin/sh"` in the variable `file_to_run` is displayed with the register `edi`, this value is placed 8 bytes below the address indicated by the `EBP`. The value 0 is also placed 4 bytes below the address indicated by the `EBP`. After 11 is assigned to the `eax` as the system call number, by putting the start address of the address where the `"/bin/sh"` characters are located in the memory in the `ebx`, the command line parameters are taken with the `ecx`. The program was run by being passed through the operations of being assembled and linked as below:

```
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ as -ggstabs execve.s -o execve.o
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ as -ggstabs execve.s -o execve.o
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ld execve.o -o execve
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ./execve
Simple JMP Program JMP to EXECVE SH3113R$ ls
datatypes datatypes.o datatypes.s execve execve.o execve.s hello.exe hel
$ pwd
```

The gdb analysis of the program is carried out as follows for a better understanding of the subject. Any function can be disassembled using the disassemble command. Below, the `execve` has been disassembled. Register and variable analyses have been performed in the `_start` designated progress as a breakpoint.

```
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ gdb ./execve
GNU gdb (Ubuntu/Linaro 7.4-2012.04-0ubuntu2.1) 7.4-2012.04
Copyright (C) 2012 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law. Type "show copying"
and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "i686-linux-gnu".
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://bugs.launchpad.net/gdb-linaro/>...
Reading symbols from /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/execve...done.
(gdb) break _start
Breakpoint 1 at 0x8048074: file execve.s, line 14.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/execve

Breakpoint 1, _start () at execve.s:14
14      movl $4, %eax
(gdb) disassemble execve
Dump of assembler code for function execve:
0x08048099 <+0>:      push    %ebp
0x0804809a <+1>:      mov     %esp,%ebp
0x0804809c <+3>:      sub     $0x8,%esp
0x0804809f <+6>:      mov     $0x80490c4,%edi
0x080480a4 <+11>:     mov     %edi,-0x8(%ebp)
0x080480a7 <+14>:     movl    $0x0,-0x4(%ebp)
0x080480ae <+21>:     mov     $0xb,%eax
0x080480b3 <+26>:     mov     $0x80490c4,%ebx
0x080480b8 <+31>:     lea     -0x8(%ebp),%ecx
0x080480bb <+34>:     mov     $0x0,%edx
0x080480c0 <+39>:     int     $0x80
```

In the first steps, the message is printed on the screen. When the `jmp` command will run, the `eip` status is examined as follows. The memory address of the command shown with `jmp` was loaded into the `eip` when the `jmp` command is executed and the program flow continues under the `execve` tag. The exit operation was skipped not working due to the `jmp` jumping.


```

Simple JMP Program JMP to EXECVE SH3113R19                                jmp execve
(gdb) print $eip
$9 = (void (*)(void)) 0x804808b <_start+23>
(gdb) print /x $eip
$10 = 0x804808b
(gdb) x/i 0x804808b
=> 0x804808b <_start+23>:      jmp     0x8048099 <execve>
(gdb) disassemble execve
Dump of assembler code for function execve:
0x08048099 <+0>:      push    %ebp
0x0804809a <+1>:      mov     %esp,%ebp
0x0804809c <+3>:      sub     $0x8,%esp
0x0804809f <+6>:      mov     $0x80490c4,%edi
0x080480a4 <+11>:     mov     %edi,-0x8(%ebp)
0x080480a7 <+14>:     movl    $0x0,-0x4(%ebp)
0x080480ae <+21>:     mov     $0xb,%eax
0x080480b3 <+26>:     mov     $0x80490c4,%ebx
0x080480b8 <+31>:     lea     -0x8(%ebp),%ecx
0x080480bb <+34>:     mov     $0x0,%edx
0x080480c0 <+39>:     int     $0x80
0x080480c2 <+41>:     leave
0x080480c3 <+42>:     ret
End of assembler dump.
(gdb) s
26                                pushl %ebp
(gdb) print /x $eip
$11 = 0x8048099
(gdb) █

```

EIP bir sonraki çalışacak olan komutun adresini gösteriyor.

JMP çalıştığı zaman execve etiketi ile belirtilen kod kümesinin ilk satırındaki kodun hafıza adresi EIP ile gösteriliyor.

When the execve starts, the variable addresses are placed in the registers as below and the characters to be used in the stack and the value 0 are assigned to the relevant places for the execve function to work. As can be seen in the analysis, after putting the address of the file_to_run variable in the edi, this address value is placed in the memory region indicated by the ebp-8 address. Then, the value 0 is placed in the memory region indicated by the address of ebp-4. Calling the function execve with the system call number 11, the address indicating /bin/sh is placed in the ebx, then the command line parameters are taken by the ecx, and the program gave the shell as follows:

```

Breakpoint 1 at 0x804809f: file execve.s, line 29.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/AT&T/execve
Simple JMP Program JMP to EXECVE SH3113R
Breakpoint 1, execve () at execve.s:29
29          movl $file_to_run, %edi
(gdb) print $edi
$1 = 0 EDI içerisindeki değer 0
(gdb) print /x &file_to_run
$2 = 0x80490c4 file_to_run değişkeninin adresi
(gdb) x/lb 0x80490c4
0x80490c4 <file_to_run>: "/bin/sh" değişken adresi ile gösterilen hafıza bölgesi içerisindeki string
(gdb) s
30          movl %edi, -0x8(%ebp)
(gdb) print /x $edi
$4 = 0x80490c4 EDI içerisine değişken adresi yüklendi
(gdb) s
31          movl $0, -0x4(%ebp)
(gdb) s
32          movl $11, %eax # sys_execve
(gdb) print /x $ebp-8
$5 = 0xbffff3a4 EBP adresinin 8 byte altındaki adres değeri
(gdb) print /x $ebp-4
$6 = 0xbffff3a8 EBP adresinin 4 byte altındaki adres değeri
(gdb) x/4db 0xbffff3a8 EBP-4 ile gösterilen adres içindeki değerler =>0
0xbffff3a8: 0 0 0 0
(gdb) x/lxw 0xbffff3a4 EBP-8 ile gösterilen adres içinde file_to_run değişkeninin adresi konuldu
0xbffff3a4: 0x080490c4
(gdb) s
33          movl $file_to_run, %ebx # file to execute
(gdb) print /x $ebx
$7 = 0x1
(gdb) s
34          leal -8(%ebp), %ecx # command line parameters
(gdb) print /x $ebx
$8 = 0x80490c4
(gdb) s
35          movl $0, %edx # environment block
(gdb) print /x $ecx
$9 = 0xbffff3a4
(gdb) x/lxb 0xbffff3a4
0xbffff3a4: 0xc4
(gdb) x/4xb 0xbffff3a4
0xbffff3a4: 0xc4 0x90 0x04 0x08
(gdb) x/lxw 0xbffff3a4
0xbffff3a4: 0x080490c4
(gdb) x/lb 0x080490c4
0x080490c4 <file_to_run>: "/bin/sh"
(gdb) s
36          int $0x80
(gdb) print /x $edx
$10 = 0x0
(gdb) s
process 5117 is executing new program: /bin/dash

```

The command call is a command used to call functions. With the command ret, the function outgoing address is displayed and, the program flow continues from where it left off via the eip. The command ret is similar to the command return in the C programming language. Each time the command call is run, the command ret must also be run within the next set of commands. The address of the first command to run is pushed into the stack in order for the program flow to be able to continue after a function which was called with the command call has completed to work and returned to the main program. After the function has finished working, this address is pointed out from the inside of the eip with the command ret and popped from the inside of the stack, and the program flow continues. In order to demonstrate the use of the command call, the program which has been produced by a small change made in the previous program will be analyzed with the gdb as shown below:

```
_start:

    movl $4, %eax
    movl $1, %ebx
    leal message, %ecx
    movl $40, %edx
    int $0x80
    call sayyou
    nop
    nop
    exit:
        movl $1, %eax
        movl $0, %ebx
        int $0x80

sayyou:
    loop1:
        movl $3, %eax
        movl $0, %ebx
        leal buffer, %ecx
        movl $1, %edx
        int $0x80
        cmp $0, %eax
        jle exit

        movl %eax, %edx
        movl $buffer, %ecx
        movl $4, %eax
        movl $1, %ebx
        int $0x80

        jmp loop1
```

The code written was examined on the gdb as follows:

```

Breakpoint 1, _start () at call.s:20
20      int $0x80
(gdb) info registers $eip
eip          0x8048089      0x8048089 <_start+21>
(gdb) x/i 0x8048089
=> 0x8048089 <_start+21>:      int    $0x80
(gdb) x/16xw $esp
0xbffff3b0:      0x00000001      0xbffff52c      0x00000000      0xbffff554
0xbffff3c0:      0xbffff567      0xbffff592      0xbffff5a2      0xbffff5ad
0xbffff3d0:      0xbffff5fe      0xbffff610      0xbffff63a      0xbffff646
0xbffff3e0:      0xbffffb67      0xbffffba1      0xbffffbd5      0xbffffbfb
(gdb) s
Simple JMP Program JMP to EXECVE SH3113R21      call sayyou
(gdb) s
31      movl $3, %eax
(gdb) x/16xw $esp
0xbffff3ac:      0x08048090      0x00000001      0xbffff52c      0x00000000
0xbffff3bc:      0xbffff554      0xbffff567      0xbffff592      0xbffff5a2
0xbffff3cc:      0xbffff5ad      0xbffff5fe      0xbffff610      0xbffff63a
0xbffff3dc:      0xbffff646      0xbffffb67      0xbffffba1      0xbffffbd5
(gdb) disassemble sayyou
Dump of assembler code for function sayyou:
=> 0x0804809e <+0>:      mov    $0x3,%eax
   0x080480a3 <+5>:      mov    $0x0,%ebx
   0x080480a8 <+10>:     lea    0x8049110,%ecx
   0x080480ae <+16>:     mov    $0x1,%edx
   0x080480b3 <+21>:     int    $0x80
   0x080480b5 <+23>:     cmp    $0x0,%eax
   0x080480b8 <+26>:     jle    0x8048092 <exit>
   0x080480ba <+28>:     mov    %eax,%edx
   0x080480bc <+30>:     mov    $0x8049110,%ecx
   0x080480c1 <+35>:     mov    $0x4,%eax
   0x080480c6 <+40>:     mov    $0x1,%ebx
   0x080480cb <+45>:     int    $0x80
   0x080480cd <+47>:     jmp    0x804809e <sayyou>
   0x080480cf <+49>:     leave
   0x080480d0 <+50>:     ret
End of assembler dump.

```

The eip shows the address of the command interrupt to run next. The values in the stack are checked as above. After running the command call, the program flow is directed into the sayyou. When the stack is checked after this point, it is seen that the address 0x08048090 has been pushed into the stack. As explained in the theoretical section, the address of the command nop after the code line where the function is called is pushed into the stack as the return address so that the program flow can continue after the function codes have completed their functions. In the output below, the address of the nop command is seen with the disassembler. As seen in the output below, the address of the nop command is gained with the disassembler:


```

End of assembler dump.
(gdb) disassemble _start
Dump of assembler code for function _start:
0x08048074 <+0>:    mov     $0x4,%eax
0x08048079 <+5>:    mov     $0x1,%ebx
0x0804807e <+10>:   lea     0x80490dc,%ecx
0x08048084 <+16>:   mov     $0x28,%edx
0x08048089 <+21>:   int     $0x80
0x0804808b <+23>:   call   0x804809e <sayyou>
0x08048090 <+28>:   nop
0x08048091 <+29>:   nop
End of assembler dump.
(gdb) █

```

The command loop decreases the value of the register ecx by 1 each time the loop rotates. The command jz jumps if it is zero-flag-set. The command jnz jumps if it is not zero-flag-set. Similarly, if the command loopz is zero-flag-set, the loop returns while the loop continues to rotate as long as the command loopnz is not zero-flag-set. The use of the command loop was shown in the example above. Its format is as follows:

Command set

movl \$20, %ecx

Lupla:

Command set

LOOP lupla

The loop will return 20 times as 20 is loaded to the ecx in the above format. In the program shown below, the character string defined in the data section is printed on the screen 12 times. The change of values in the register ecx is shown with the gdb as follows. The program output is as shown:

```

as -gstabs loop.s -o loop.o
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ld loop.o -o loop
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ./loop
101010101neo1000010ssh101010101neo1000010ssh101010101neo1000010ssh101010101neo10
00010ssh101010101neo1000010ssh101010101neo1000010ssh101010101neo1000010ssh101010
101neo1000010ssh101010101neo1000010ssh101010101neo1000010ssh101010101neo1000010s
sh101010101neo1000010sshpasswd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$

```

Program codes:

```
.data
    karakter:
        .asciz "101010101neol000010ssh"
.text
    .global _start
    _start:
        call loopy
    exit:
        movl $1, %eax
        movl $0, %ebx
        int $0x80

    loopy:
        movl $12, %ecx

        loopx:
            pushl %ecx
            movl $4, %eax
            movl $0, %ebx
            leal karakter, %ecx
            movl $23, %edx
            int $0x80
            popl %ecx
        loop loopx
        cmp %eax, %eax
        jz exit
```

For the analysis with the gdb, a break point has been placed at the point where the command `pushl %ecx` is located. Each time the loop rotates, the `ecx` value is reduced by 1.


```

Breakpoint 1, loopx () at loop.s:20
20                                pushl %ecx
(gdb) info registers ecx
ecx                0xc      12
(gdb) s
21                                movl $4, %eax
(gdb) s
22                                movl $0, %ebx
(gdb) s
23                                leal karakter, %ecx
(gdb) s
24                                movl $23, %edx
(gdb) s
25                                int $0x80
(gdb) s
101010101neo1000010ssh26                                popl %ecx
(gdb) s
27                                loop loopx
(gdb) info registers ecx
ecx                0xc      12
(gdb) s

Breakpoint 1, loopx () at loop.s:20
20                                pushl %ecx
(gdb) info registers ecx
ecx                0xb      11

```

As can be seen in the output, the eip value is decreased by 1 each time the loop rotates.

LAB 8: Creating a Linux Assembly Function

In this lab work, creating a function in Linux assembly software will be mentioned. The syntax is shown below:

```
.type fonksiyon ismi, @fonksiyon  
  
fonksiyon ismi:  
    Komut kümesi  
  
    ret
```

The written function is called with the command call. Based on the above structure, the sample function code is written as follows:

```
.data  
    warning:  
        .asciz "Attack detected execve coming"  
  
    file_to_run:  
        .asciz  "/bin/sh"  
  
.text  
    .global _start  
  
_start:  
    .type shell, @function  
    .type print, @function  
  
print:  
    movl $4, %eax  
    movl $1, %ebx  
    movl $30, %edx  
    leal warning, %ecx
```

```

    int $0x80

    call shell

shell:

    pushl %ebp

    movl %esp, %ebp

    subl $0x8, %esp    # array of two pointers. array[0] = file_to_run array[1]

    movl $file_to_run, %edi

    movl %edi, -0x8(%ebp)

    movl $0, -0x4(%ebp)

    movl $11, %eax      # sys_execve

    movl $file_to_run, %ebx    # file to execute

    leal -8(%ebp), %ecx    # command line parameters

    movl $0, %edx        # environment block

    int $0x80

    leave

    ret

call print

```

LAB 9: Shellcode with EXECVE

In the previous lab studies, the `execve` was used. In this lab study, the `execve` will be written using the assembly and C programming languages. The code written will be converted into the machine codes with the tool `objdump`, and the shellcode will be obtained. In the exploitation process, the code to be injected into the memory must be understood by the RAM. In order for the code to be understood and interpreted by RAM, the code in the format being converted into machine code must be sent to the RAM. For this reason, the shellcode is used. Shellcode is a piece of code used to run the commands in the target shell consisting of the hex characters written in machine language. The `execve` structure is displayed as follows with the `man execve`.

```
execve - execute program

SYNOPSIS
#include <unistd.h>
int execve(const char *filename, char *const argv[], char *const envp[]);

DESCRIPTION
execve() executes the program pointed to by filename. filename must be
either a binary executable, or a script starting with a line of the
form:
    #! interpreter [optional-arg]

For details of the latter case, see "Interpreter scripts" below.

argv is an array of argument strings passed to the new program. By
convention, the first of these strings should contain the filename
associated with the file being executed. envp is an array of strings,
conventionally of the form key=value, which are passed as environment
to the new program. Both argv and envp must be terminated by a NULL
pointer. The argument vector and environment can be accessed by the
called program's main function, when it is defined as:
int main(int argc, char *argv[], char *envp[])
```

Based on the spelling format on the manual page, the code is written as follows:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
main()
{
    char *args[2];
    args[0]="/bin/sh";
    args[1]=NULL;
    execve(args[0], args, NULL);
    exit(0);
}
```

The array `args` is a pointer array that holds the memory address of the other arrays and has two elements. The first element is the `/bin/sh`, which is the file that allows the commands to be run on the Linux operating systems. `Args [1]` is shown as `NULL` due to the rule that each string must end with `NULL`. The program is written according to the format by putting file (`/bin/sh`), file address and `NULL` in `execve`. The program was compiled with the `gcc` using the following command:

```
gcc -ggdb shell.c -mpreferred-stack-boundary=2 -static -o shell.exe
```

With the parameter `-mpreferred-stack-boundary=2`, it is provided that the sections each of which includes 2 bytes instead of 4 bytes in the values placed in the `STACK` are reserved.

Static libraries are linked with the parameter `-static`. Connection can not established with the shared libraries.

```
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/c$ ./shell.exe
$ tty
/dev/pts/3
$
```

When the written code is disassembled with the `gdb`, the main function is broken down as follows:

```
(gdb) disassemble main
Dump of assembler code for function main:
   0x08048ee0 <+0>:    push    %ebp
   0x08048ee1 <+1>:    mov     %esp,%ebp
   0x08048ee3 <+3>:    sub     $0x14,%esp
   0x08048ee6 <+6>:    movl    $0x80c5868, -0x8(%ebp)
   0x08048eed <+13>:   movl    $0x0, -0x4(%ebp)
   0x08048ef4 <+20>:   mov     -0x8(%ebp),%eax
   0x08048ef7 <+23>:   movl    $0x0,0x8(%esp)
   0x08048eff <+31>:   lea     -0x8(%ebp),%edx
   0x08048f02 <+34>:   mov     %edx,0x4(%esp)
   0x08048f06 <+38>:   mov     %eax,(%esp)
   0x08048f09 <+41>:   call    0x8053b90 <execve>
   0x08048f0e <+46>:   movl    $0x0,(%esp)
   0x08048f15 <+53>:   call    0x8049790 <exit>
End of assembler dump.
(gdb) x/1sb 0x80c5868
0x80c5868:    "/bin/sh"
```

Looking at the disassembled code, it is seen that the code starts with the prolog process. A 20-byte ($0x14 \rightarrow 16 + 4 = 20$) space is allocated in the stack region. The address showing the character `"/bin/sh"` is placed under 8 bytes below the address indicated by the `ebp`. In the output above, it is shown with the command `x` that this address shows the `/bin/sh` character string. The value 0 is placed 4 bytes below the `EBP` address. The address inside the address indicated by `ebp-8` is loaded

into the eax. The eax is currently shows the character "/bin/sh". The value 0 is placed in the address indicated by ESP + 8. The address in the ebp-8 is loaded into the edx. The value in the edx is placed in the address indicated by the esp + 4. The function execve is called after the value in the eax is placed within the address indicated by the esp. After this point, the shell operation is performed using the value 0 and the "/bin/sh" character string and address by the execve.

The code written in the C programming language was disassembled. So, we got an idea about its working mechanism. The same code was written in the assembly language in the previous LAB study. The sample code was as follows:

11. sys_execve

Syntax: int sys_execve(struct pt_regs regs)

Source: arch/i386/kernel/process.c

Action: execute program

```
.data
file_to_run:
.asciz "/bin/sh"

.text
global _start
_start:
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp, %ebp
    subl $0x8, %esp
    # array of two pointers. array[0] = file
    _to_run array[1] = 0
    movl $file_to_run, %edi
    movl %edi, -0x8(%ebp)
    movl $0, -0x4(%ebp)
    movl $11, %eax
    movl $file_to_run, %ebx
    leal -8(%ebp), %ecx
    movl $0, %edx
    # sys_execve
    # file to execute
    # command line parameters
    # environment block
    int $0x80
    leave
    ret
```

Below, with the command objdump, the machine-code-converted equivalent of the code to create a shellcode is displayed:


```

passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ as shell.s -o shell.o
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ ld shell.o -o shell_exec
passwd@vulnubuntu:~/Desktop/assembly/AT&T$ objdump -d shell_exec

```

```

shell_exec:      file format elf32-i386

```

```

Disassembly of section .text:

```

SH3LLC0D3

```

08048074 <_start>:
8048074:  55                push    %ebp
8048075:  89 e5             mov     %esp,%ebp
8048077:  83 ec 08          sub     $0x8,%esp
804807a:  bf a0 90 04 08    mov     $0x80490a0,%edi
804807f:  89 7d f8           mov     %edi,-0x8(%ebp)
8048082:  c7 45 fc 00 00 00 00  movl    $0x0,-0x4(%ebp)
8048089:  b8 0b 00 00 00    mov     $0xb,%eax
804808e:  bb a0 90 04 08    mov     $0x80490a0,%ebx
8048093:  8d 4d f8           lea     -0x8(%ebp),%ecx
8048096:  ba 00 00 00 00    mov     $0x0,%edx
804809b:  cd 80             int     $0x80
804809d:  c9               leave   %ecx
804809e:  c3               ret

```

In the output above, the characters 00 are seen. The \x00 as a NULL character stops the shellcode from running in memory. In addition, the characters such as carriage return, line feed, \x0a, and \x0d prevent the shellcode from opening as they perform carriage return and jump to the next line. These characters need to be cleared from the shellcode. Automatically clearing bad characters will be shown in the following topics. Instead of the mov commands that generate the null characters, the commands such as push and jmp are used to remove the NULL characters. Below is shown the sample shellcode (Source: <http://shell-storm.org/shellcode/files/shellcode-827.php>):

Assembly kod:

```

xor  %eax,%eax

push %eax

push $0x68732f2f

push $0x6e69622f

mov  %esp,%ebxchne

push %eax

push %ebx

mov  %esp,%ecx

mov  $0xb,%al

```

```
int $0x80
```

ShellCode C

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <string.h>
```

```
char *shellcode = "\x31\xc0\x50\x68\x2f\x2f\x73\x68\x68\x2f\x62\x69"  
                  "\x6e\x89\xe3\x50\x53\x89\xe1\xb0\x0b\xcd\x80";
```

```
int main(void)
```

```
{
```

```
fprintf(stdout,"Length: %d\n",strlen(shellcode));
```

```
(* (void(*)()) shellcode)();
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
root@vulnubuntu:/home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/c# gcc -mpreferred-stack-boundary=  
2 -static shellcode.c -o shellcode  
root@vulnubuntu:/home/passwd/Desktop/assembly/c# ./shellcode  
Length: 23  
# █ nc.exe
```