

# Lab 4: Buffer Overflow

# Stack: Function call (1/2)

- Function A

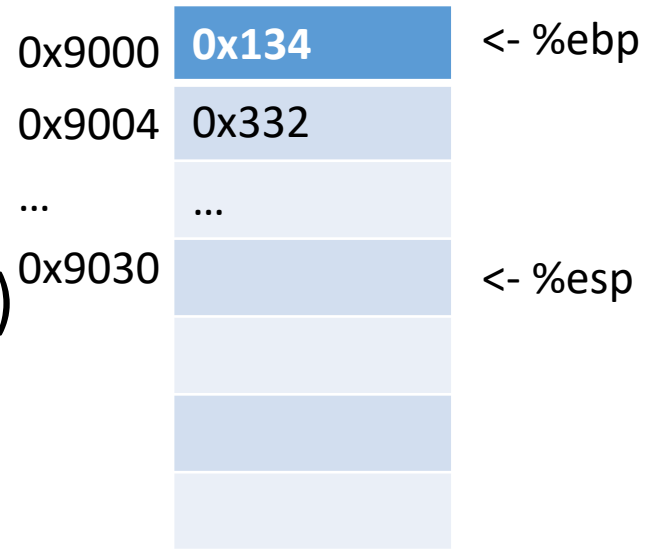
{

call Function B(parameter1)

}

%esp	0x9030
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%ebp	0x9000
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- Before calling the function B, %ebp points to base address of function A.

# Stack: Function call (2/2)

- Function A

{

call Function B(parameter1) ...

}

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0x134

0x9004

0x332

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parameter1

0x9034

Return address

0x9038

0x9000

<- %ebp  
<- %esp

- Parameter1 is pushed onto stack
- When function B is called, the stack pointer for function A is stored.
- The stack pointer for function B is set

push %ebp

mov %esp, %ebp

# Return address and Saved EBP Pointer

```
0x080491d4 <getbufn+0>: push    %ebp
0x080491d5 <getbufn+1>: mov     %esp,%ebp
0x080491d7 <getbufn+3>: sub     $0x208,%esp
0x080491dd <getbufn+9>: lea     -0x200(%ebp),%eax
0x080491e3 <getbufn+15>: mov     %eax,(%esp)
0x080491e6 <getbufn+18>: call    0x8048cal <Gets>
0x080491eb <getbufn+23>: mov     $0x1,%eax
0x080491f0 <getbufn+28>: leave
0x080491f1 <getbufn+29>: ret
```

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0x9004	0x332	
...	...	
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0x9034	Return address	
0x9038	0x9000 (saved ebp)	<- %ebp
		<- %esp

- When caller function calls callee function, the return address is pushed onto stack. (e.g. 0x080491eb)
- The value of %ebp of caller function is also pushed onto stack as saved EBP.

# Stack: Function Return

- After finish to execute callee function, the %ebp is changed to saved %ebp.
- The address of instruction jump to return address (return to caller function)

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# Buffer Overflow (1/2)

- Buffer Overflow: while writing data to a buffer, overwrite the overruns the buffer's boundary and overwrite adjacent memory location
- “getbuf” function get input from stdin or file
- This function save the input in stack

```
void getbuf()  
{  
    char buf[12];  
    gets(buf);  
}
```

Stack Frame for caller function					
0xff9c	Return address				
0xffa0	Saved %ebp				<- %ebp
0xffa4	90	C3	12	34	
0xffa8					
0xffac	56	78	89	09	
0xffb0	11	04	78	68	<- buf (0xffb0)

# Buffer Overflow (2/2)

- If we insert input more than 12bytes, the input corrupts saved frame pointer and return address
- Jumps to address 0x00384855 when getbuf attempts to return
  - Invalid address, cause program to abort

	Stack Frame for caller function				
0xff9c	00	38	48	55	
0xffa0	32	11	23	22	<- %ebp
0xffa4	90	C3	12	34	
0xffa8	56	78	89	09	
0xffac	11	04	78	68	<- buf (0xffb0)
0xffb0					



# GDB: Identifying Stack contents (1/2)

- `x/<number>x <register>`: identify stack work

```
(gdb) x/20x $esp
0x556833e8 <_reserved+1037288>: 0x556833f0      0x0063a685      0x61616161      0x61616161
0x556833f8 <_reserved+1037304>: 0x61616161      0x66647361      0x643b736b      0x6c6b666c
0x55683408 <_reserved+1037320>: 0x666b773b      0x736b3b6c      0x00647364      0x55683460
0x55683418 <_reserved+1037336>: 0x55683494      0x0063aa5d      0x00661cf9      0x08048564
0x55683428 <_reserved+1037352>: 0xf7fd92e8      0x00000002      0xf7fd9010      0x006501a4
```

- `Info register ( i r)`: identify the value of registers

```
(gdb) i r
eax          0x1      1
ecx          0xa     10
edx          0x46     70
ebx          0x55686028 1432903720
esp          0x556835f4 0x556835f4
ebp          0x55683610 0x55683610
esi          0x64cca0 6605984
edi          0x0      0
eip          0x80491f1 0x80491f1 <getbufn+29>
eflags      0x202    [ IF ]
cs          0x23     35
ss          0x2b     43
ds          0x2b     43
es          0x2b     43
fs          0x0      0
gs          0x63     99
```

# GDB: Identifying Stack content2 (2/2)

- Info frame (info f): This command prints a verbose description of the selected stack frame, including:
  - the address of the frame
  - the address of the next frame down (called by this frame)
  - the address of the next frame up (caller of this frame)
  - the language in which the source code corresponding to this frame is written
  - the address of the frame's arguments
  - the address of the frame's local variables
  - the program counter saved in it (the address of execution in the caller frame)
  - which registers were saved in the frame

# Practice: Find local buf address

- To exploit buffer overflow, we have to know the start address of local buf (*i.e where the input is stored in stack from getbuf function*)
- This address gives the information of how many input we have to insert to make buffer overflow

# Practice: Return to Smoke Function

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12    }
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1 /* Buffer size for getbuf */  
2 #define NORMAL_BUFFER_SIZE 32  
3  
4 int getbuf()  
5 {  
6     char buf[NORMAL_BUFFER_SIZE];  
7     Gets(buf);  
8     return 1;  
9 }
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Diagram illustrating a buffer overflow exploit:

- A blue arrow points from the `getbuf()` call in the `test()` function to the `getbuf()` function definition.
- Another blue arrow points from the `printf` statement in the `test()` function to the `return 1;` statement in the `getbuf()` function definition.
- A large red 'X' is placed over the `printf` statement, indicating that the return address is being overwritten by the buffer overflow, causing the program to jump to the `smoke()` function instead of returning to the `test()` function.

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# Buffer Overflow Lab

- Make buffer overflow with following condition
- There are 4 levels
- Using the practices to find local buffer address
- Reference additional pdf file
- Due date: 10/16 11:59