

What is do_brk()?

do_brk()是一个内部的内核函数，用来管理进程的 memory heap 的增长，当 heap 过大时缩小它，就是为了防止 heap 无限增长以至于扩展到别的地方，覆盖别的东西。

它本来是用来优化 do_mmap()，因为没有边缘检测，使得用户可以把堆扩展到内核空间，就成了一个可以 exploit 的 bug。

The do_brk() is an internal kernel function which is called indirectly to manage process' s memory heap (brk) growing or shrinking it accordingly.

The user may manipulate his heap with the brk(2) system call which calls do_brk() internally. The do_brk() code is a simplified version of the mmap(2) system call and only handles anonymous mappings for uninitialized data.

How to exploit?

Step 1: Change Program Layout and Expand Heap over kernel.

先不停的扩展 heap，让 heap 覆盖到内核空间。

Step 2: Find the memory we want to change. Create a new kpage with LDT_mod technique. Scan memory using verr and signals technique.

找到要改的内核页，重写 ldt

Step 3: Expand with do_brk() to page table and turn off s-bit on that page.

Step 4: Setup call gate which enables privilege level transition from the user to the kernel privilege level.

Step 5: Trampoline Code

Step 6: Scan task_struct to set euid, etc to 0

Step 7: Cleanup

Step 8: Shell, Rooted