

# CSCD 437

## Lab 3

### Buffer Overrun

#### ARTICLES TO READ:

- 1) Read the article Dr\_Dobbs-Anatomy\_of\_a\_Stack\_Smashing\_Attack\_and\_How\_GCC\_Prevents\_It.pdf which can be found in Modules
- 2) Read the article Smashing\_the\_Stack\_for\_Fun\_and\_Profit.pdf which can be found in Modules
- 3) Read the article Return-into-libc\_without\_Function\_Calls.pdf which can be found in Modules

#### SPECIFICATIONS COMPLETED ON A UBUNTU VM

- 1) If you didn't use a virtual machine for Lab 1 then you will need to download and install VirtualBox
- 2) Download and install Ubuntu 20.04 LTS. (Ensure you allow at least 20 gigs of hard drive space)
- 3) This might help with some of the stack protections <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/2340259/how-to-turn-off-gcc-compiler-optimization-to-enable-buffer-overflow>
- 4) Turn off ASLR with `echo 0 | sudo tee /proc/sys/kernel/randomize_va_space`
- 5) Compile stackOverrun.c -o stackOverrun
  - a. You will need to turn stack protection off with `-fno-stack-protector`
  - b. You may have to modify other protections
- 6) Run the executable from stackOverrun
  - a. Note: You will need to pass the executable a String
  - b. Note: Note the address of the bar function
  - c. Note: The Borland compiler is 32 bits and Ubuntu gcc compiler is 64 bits
- 7) Run perl hackOverrun.pl
  - a. Change the \$args line for the string and the address
  - b. Note: You may need to pad the initial set of letters in hackOverrun.pl to overflow to the return address location on the stack
  - c. Note: This lab presumes hackOverrun and stackOverrun are in the same directory

#### NOTE

- The only changes you can make to stackOverrun.c is to add more %p\n to the following two printf statements in the foo function.
  - `printf("My stack looks like:\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n");`
  - `printf("Now the stack looks like:\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n%p\n");`
- The only line you can change in HackOverrun.pl is:  
`$args = "ABCDEFGH IJKLMNOP". "\x90\x11\x40";`

#### EXTRA CREDIT

- Instead of printing to the screen in the bar function actually inject code that opens a terminal. This is not as simple as you think it is.
- Don't attempt the extra credit without everything else working properly.
- You can't use the system command or any system calls.

#### WHAT TO TURN IN:

As a team, submit a zip containing:

- Output captures in a single PDF that show your exploit worked/didn't work in Ubuntu. Note: There will be output in either case of it worked or didn't work. PDF is named team number.pdf (Example: team16.pdf)
- Screen captures of hackOverrun.pl and stackOverrun.c in the single pdf
- The hackOverrun.pl and stackOverrun.c files
- Included in code.pdf should be a narrative explaining:
  - settings you had to turn off

- struggles you had/websites you used
- Your process to getting the buffer overrun to work properly. If you couldn't get it to work then a narrative explaining what happened and what needs to be done so it might work.

Name your zip your team numberLab3.zip (Example: team16Lab3.zip)