GARUDA 2.0

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EXE Input Fields f_{Ei} ::= f_{Ei_1} \mid \cdots \mid f_{Ei_k}

EXE Output Fields f_{Eo} ::= f_{Eo_1} \mid \cdots \mid f_{Eo_k}

MEM Input Fields f_{Mi} ::= f_{Mi_1} \mid \cdots \mid f_{Mi_k}

Fields f ::= f_{Ei} \mid f_{Eo} \mid f_{Mi}

Inputs i ::= \{f_{i_1} = v_{i_1}, \ldots, f_{i_k} = v_{i_k}\}

Outputs o ::= \{f_{o_1} = v_{o_1}, \ldots, f_{o_k} = v_{o_k}\}

Obfuscation Fxn \lambda ::= f \rightarrow f'
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Figure 1: Definitions in GARUDA 2.0.

1 Background

GARUDA was a system that operated on a two stream model of the "user" or program, and that which executed the instructions. GARUDA 2.0, we extend, or refine based on the point of view, this model to operate between the Execution (EXE) and Memory (MEM) stages of the pipeline. We assume a monitor theory shown by the graphic Fig ??. The monitor appears to operate on a single stream, but the two hanging connections can be considered the two streams of the former model.

The most obvious change we need to make is to enable encryption and decryption of the EffAddr. Our attack vector focuses on a trojan targeting the state register between the EXE and MEM stages. They could cache these addresses and try to access that memory later, or they may try to use them as a side channel. Either way, allowing an adversary to track our memory accesses is clearly problematic. However, when we refer to "encryption", we really mean some reversible obfuscation function. We employ the proof assistant, Coq, to prove the EN and DE blocks are exact inverses. GARUDA is written in Coq for exactly this reason, so requiring a proof that $\forall P, DE(ENP) = P$ should be sufficient.

Figure 2: Predicates in GARUDA 2.0 act as a boolean algebra.

Figure 3: Syntax of Policies in GARUDA 2.0

2 The Implementation of GARUDA 2.0

- 2.1 Syntax
- 2.1.1 Definitions
- 2.1.2 Syntax of Predicates
- 2.1.3 Syntax of Policies

Figure 4: The semantics of predicates in GARUDA 2.0. While predicates remain unchanged from GARUDA, the theory changes slightly

2.2 Semantics

2.2.1 Semantics of Predicates

2.2.2 Semantics of Policies

Figure 5: The semantics of policies in GARUDA 2.0.

3 Intermediate Syntax

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Values
                       INSTR | RES
Registers
              b ::=
                       reg
Expressions e ::=
                       read(b)
                                                  Read Reg
                       write(b, v)
                                                  Write Value to Reg
                       let x = e_1 in e_2
                                                  As signment\\
                       e_1 \mid\mid e_2
                                                  Parallel
                       f(e_1)
                                                  Apply \ Function
                       if v = n then e_1 else e_2
                                                  Conditional
                       e_1 && e_2
                                                  Product (AND)
                                                  Concatination
                       e_1; e_2
                       forever e
                                                  Hardwire
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4 Intermediate Semantics

Assume all C is short for $C_{(i_{in},i_{out},r_{in},r_{out})}$ if unspecified.

$$\mathbf{C}[0] = let \ i_bog = \text{new buf}$$

$$r_bog = \text{new buf}$$

$$in \ write(i_{out}, i_bog)$$

$$write(r_{out}, r_bog)$$

$$\mathbf{C}[1] = write(i_{out}, read(i_{in}))$$

$$write(r_{out}, read(r_{in}))$$

$$\mathbf{C}[f = n] = if \ i_{in} = n \ then$$

$$write(i_{out}, read(i_{in}))$$

$$else \ \mathbf{C}_{(i_{in}, i_{out}, -, -)}[0]$$

$$if \ r_{in} = n \ then$$

$$write(r_{out}, read(r_{in}))$$

$$else \ \mathbf{C}_{(-, -, r_{in}, r_{out})}[0]$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{C}[\mathsf{test}(a+b)] &= let \; e_{aii}, e_{ari}, e_{bii}, e_{bri} = \mathsf{new} \; \mathsf{buf} \; in \\ &\quad DeMux(i_{in}, e_{aii}, e_{bii}) \; || \; DeMux(r_{in}, e_{ari}, e_{bri}) \\ &\quad let \; e_a = \mathbf{C}_{(e_{aii}, e_{aio}, e_{ari}, e_{aro})}[a] \\ &\quad e_b = \mathbf{C}_{(e_{bii}, e_{bio}, e_{bri}, e_{bro})}[b] \\ &\quad in \; Mux(e_a \; e_b, (i_{out}, r_{out})) \\ \mathbf{C}[\mathsf{test}(a \cdot b)] &= \mathbf{C}[\mathsf{test}(a) \cdot \mathsf{test}(b)] \\ \mathbf{C}[\neg a] &= if \; \neg a \; then \\ &\quad write(i_{out}, read(i_{in})) \\ &\quad write(r_{out}, read(r_{in})) \\ &\quad else \; \mathbf{C}[0] \\ \mathbf{C}[act(p)] &= let \; r_bog_i = \mathsf{new} \; \mathsf{buf} \\ &\quad r_bog_o = \mathsf{new} \; \mathsf{buf} \\ &\quad in \; e_p = \mathbf{C}_{(i_{in}, i_{out}, r_bog_i, r_bog_o)}[p] \\ &\quad e_p \; || \; write(r_{out}, read(r_{in})) \\ \mathbf{C}[res(p)] &= let \; i_bog_i = \mathsf{new} \; \mathsf{buf} \\ &\quad i_bog_o = \mathsf{new} \; \mathsf{buf$$

5 Applications of GARUDA 2.0

5.1 Standard Taint

In the previous version of GARUDA, taint was implemented by tagging the most significant bit of a register. This caused no hardware overhead to maintain in the pipeline, but imposed an obvious bit-resolution hindrance. In GARUDA 2.0, the definition of such a policy is identical, but the compilation is different.

We assume a MIPS-like architecture for this example. The op codes of any given instruction are no more than 3; IN_1 , IN_2 , and OUT We denote these as RS, RT, and RD.

Let's suppose you want your taint to propogate on the inputs of any arithmetic instructions. Additionally, you prohibit any tainted instructions or addresses from accessing memory. In GARUDA 2.0, we can define this as follows. Please note that ALU can further be expanded to specific types of ALU instructions

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Instruction Fields f_i ::= Taint_{RS}, Taint_{RT}, Taint_{RD}, OP
                                  MEM<sub>READ</sub> | MEM<sub>WRITE</sub> | ALU| ···
      Result Fields f_r ::=
                                  (*empty*)
                             \triangleq
                                  OP = ALU
                    Arith
                    Read
                                  OP = MEM_{RFAD}
                   Write
                                  \mathsf{OP} = \mathsf{MEM}_{\mathsf{WRITE}}
               AnyMem
                                   Read + Write
           TaintedInstr
                                   (Taint_{RS} = TRUE) + (Taint_{RT} = TRUE)
                             \triangleq
                                   \mathsf{Taint}_{\mathsf{RD}} \leftarrow \mathsf{TRUE}
               TaintRes
        PropTaintALU
                                   act(Arith \cdot TaintedInstr \cdot TaintRes)
                                   +act(Arith \cdot \neg TaintedInstr)
          NoTaintMem
                                   act(AnyMem \cdot \neg TaintedInstr)
            SecureMem
                                   PropTaintALU + NoTaintMem
                                   +act(\neg(Arith + AnyMem))
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5.2 Speculative Taint

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Instruction \ Fields \ f_i ::= Taint_{RS}, Taint_{RT}, Taint_{RD}, OP
                           ::= MEM_{READ} \mid MEM_{WRITE} \mid ALU \mid \cdots
                      OP
      Result Fields f_r ::=
                                   (*empty*)
                             \triangleq OP = ALU
                    Arith
                    Read
                                   OP = MEM_{READ}
                   Write
                             \triangleq
                                   \mathsf{OP} = \mathsf{MEM}_{\mathsf{WRITE}}
               AnyMem
                                   \mathsf{Read} + \mathsf{Write}
           TaintedInstr
                                   (Taint_{RS} = TRUE) + (Taint_{RT} = TRUE)
               TaintRes
                                   \mathsf{Taint}_{\mathsf{RD}} \leftarrow \mathsf{TRUE}
        PropTaintALU
                                   act(Arith \cdot TaintedInstr \cdot TaintRes)
                                   +act(Arith \cdot \neg TaintedInstr)
          NoTaintMem
                                   act(AnyMem \cdot \neg TaintedInstr)
            SecureMem
                                   PropTaintALU + NoTaintMem
                                   +act(\neg(Arith + AnyMem))
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References

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