# Introduction to Cybersecurity

Lecture #4: Reverse engineering II

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## Reverse engineering

Executable file (ELF, .exe)

Disassembler

Assembly instructions

### Reverse levels

Source code analysis

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Tracing

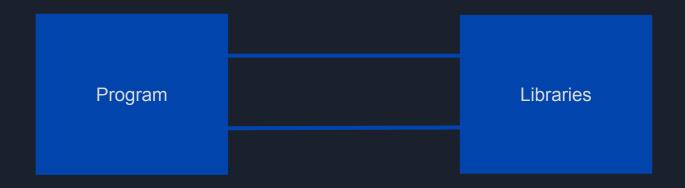


Static analysis

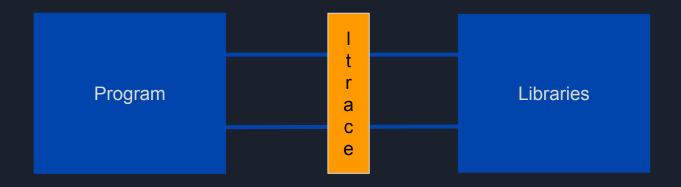


Binary patching

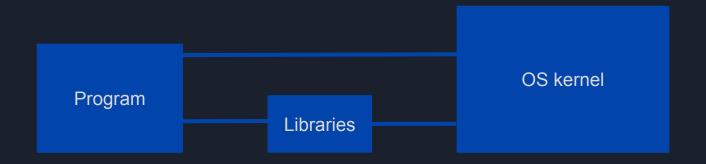
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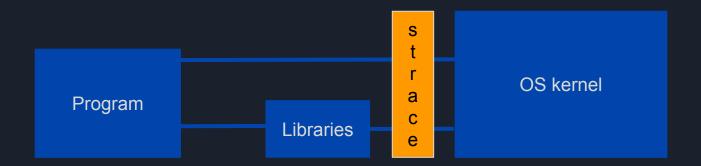
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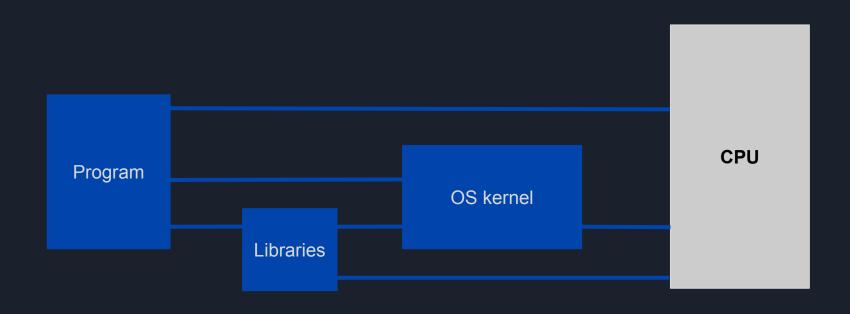
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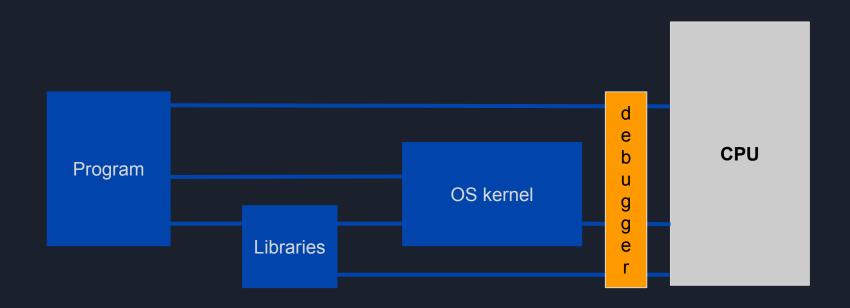
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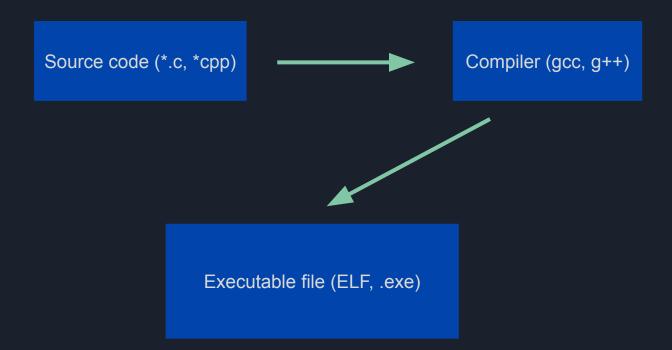
https://www.gnu.org/software/binutils/

## Demo

## Programming languages levels

- Python, Perl, Ruby, C#, Java
- C, C++
- Assembly
- Machine code

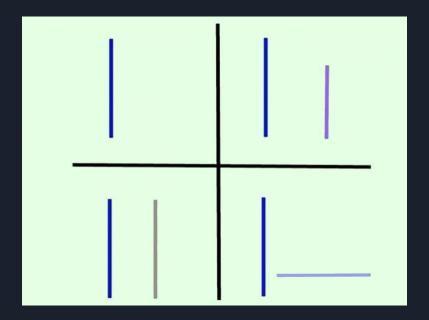
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#### • Information loss

- variables names
- o comments
- structs
- classes
- o objects



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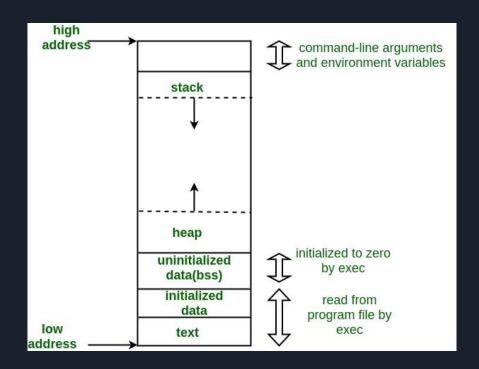
## Reverse engineering

Disassembler Assembly instructions Executable file (ELF, .exe) Decompiler C code (almost)

## Demo

### Memory layout

- Static
  - o .bss, .data
- Dynamic
  - heap
- Automatic
  - stack



## Variable size

- db 1 byte
  - o char
- dw 2 bytes
  - short
- dd 4 bytes
  - o int, float
- dq 8 bytes
  - o long long, double

## Java demo