



# CS 449 Rec 6

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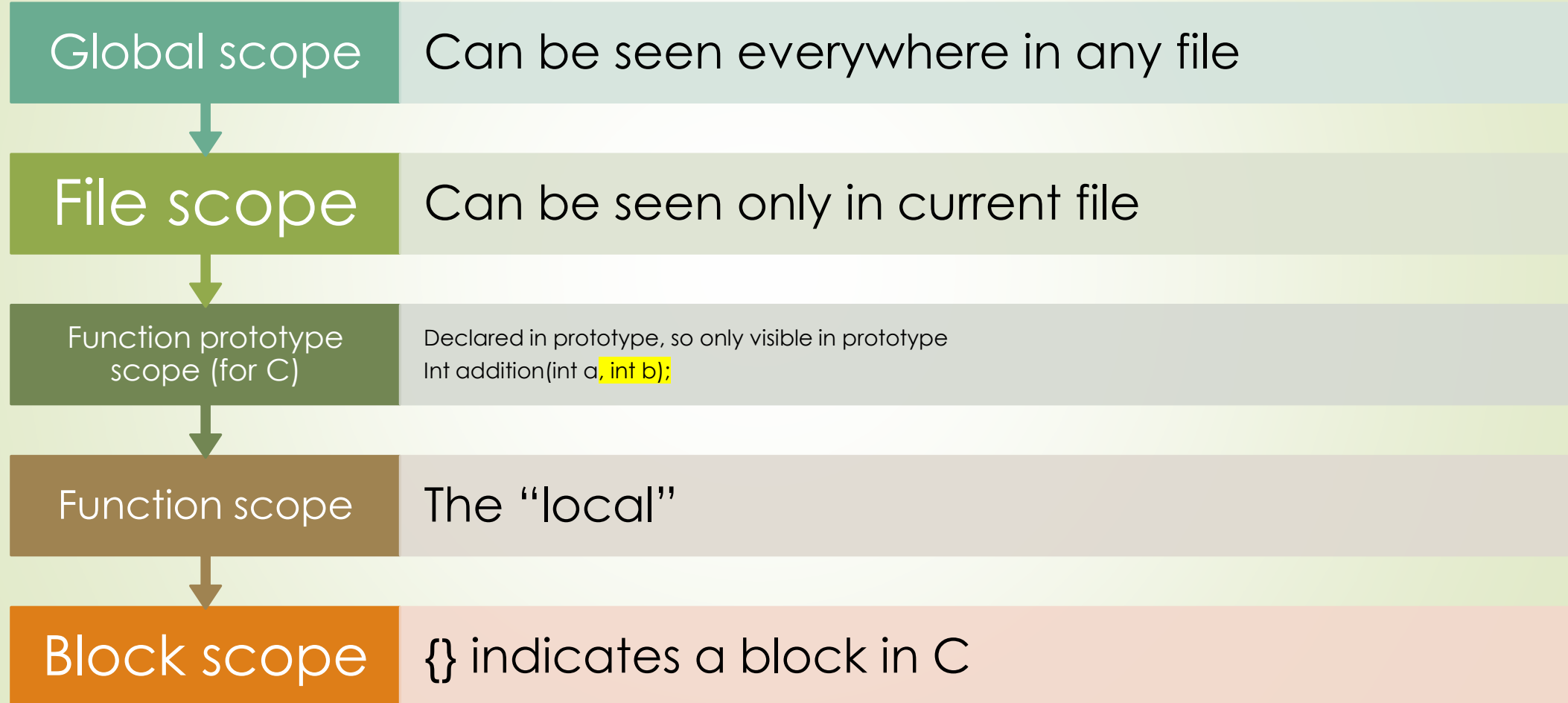
Midterm due  
today @ 6:00  
pm




# Schedule

- Scope & lifetime
- gdb
- Bomb lab

# Scope: “Where a name can be seen”





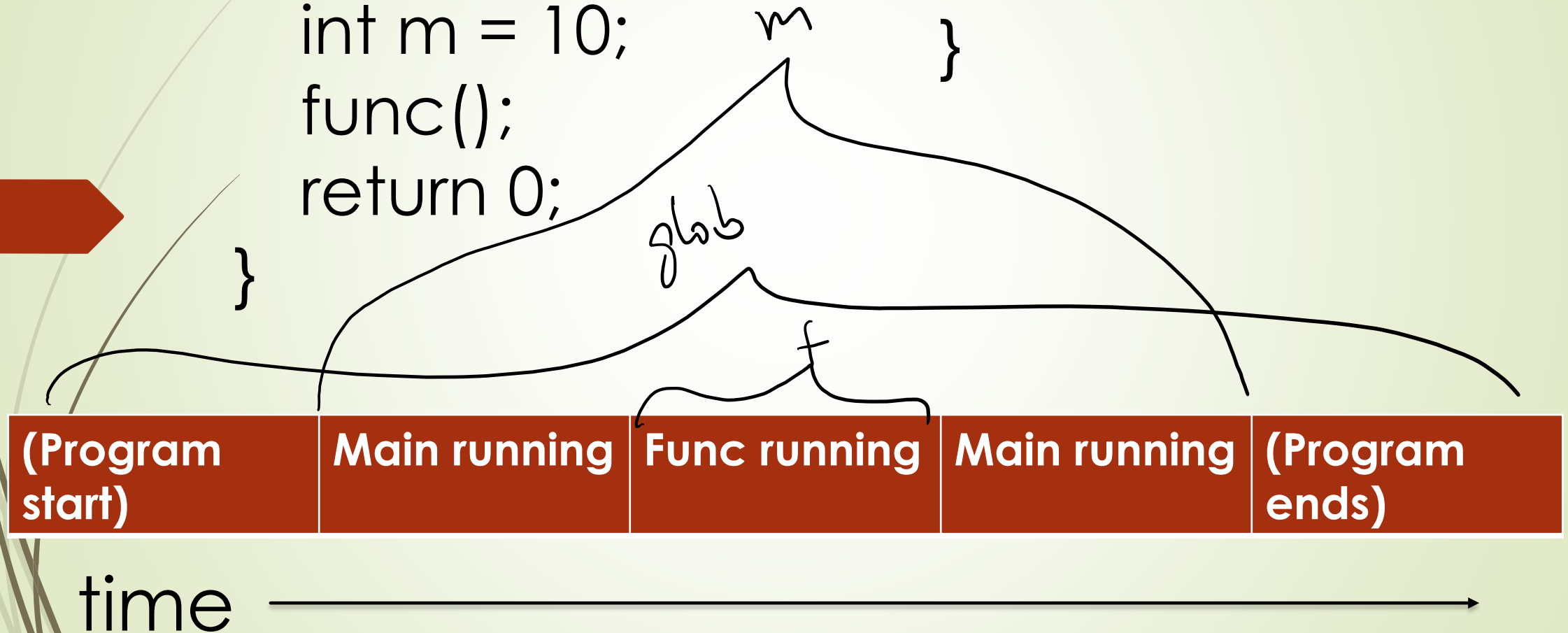
Lifetime: “The time between allocation and deallocation”

In other words,  
it's how long a  
variable's  
memory is valid

For simplicity,  
we divide it  
into Global  
and Local


```
int glob = 0;  
int main() {  
    int m = 10;  
    func();  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
void func() {  
    int f = 10;  
}
```



```
char* func() {  
    char str[50] =  
    "hello world";  
    return str;  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    char* str = func();  
    printf("%s\n", str);  
    return 0;  
}
```



Be careful: pointer variables  
and whatever they point to  
have **separate lifetime**

- What's the lifetimes of these variables?
  - Char \*str
  - Char str
- What does this print?



## Conclusion/Difference (briefly describe)

Examples that  
a variable is  
within scope  
but not lifetime

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# Quiz (1/3)

- What is it doing?
- How many args?
- What (types) are they?

```
pushq    %rbp
movq     %rsp, %rbp
movq     %rdi, -24(%rbp)
movl     %esi, -28(%rbp)
...
popq     %rbp
ret
```

# (2/3)

- ➡ What is it doing?
- ➡ (L2 is whatever happens right after it)

```
.L3:      movl    $0, -8(%rbp)



          movl    -8(%rbp), %eax
          cmpl    -28(%rbp), %eax
          jge     .L2
          addl    $1, -4(%rbp)
          addl    $1, -8(%rbp)
          jmp     .L3

.L2:
```

# (3/3)

- ➡ What is it doing now that you have the whole picture?

```
foo(int*, int):  
    pushq    %rbp  
    movq     %rsp, %rbp  
    movq     %rdi, -24(%rbp)  
    movl     %esi, -28(%rbp)  
    movq     -24(%rbp), %rax  
    movl     (%rax), %eax  
    movl     %eax, -4(%rbp)  
    movl     $0, -8(%rbp)  
  
    .L3:  
    movl     -8(%rbp), %eax  
    cmpl     -28(%rbp), %eax  
    jge      .L2  
    addl     $1, -4(%rbp)  
    addl     $1, -8(%rbp)  
    jmp      .L3  
  
    .L2:  
    movl     -4(%rbp), %eax  
    popq     %rbp  
    ret
```




```
int foo(int *p, int val) {  
    int ret = *p;  
    int i;  
    for (i = 0; i < val; i++) {  
        ret++;  
    }  
    return ret;  
}
```




# What could this be?




.L3:



```
movl    -4(%rbp), %eax
```




```
cmpl    -28(%rbp), %eax
```



```
jge     .L2/jg...
```



```
(...)
```



```
jmp     .L3
```

# The Intel Syntax (bomb lab)

```
foo(int*, int):  
    push    rbp  
    mov     rbp, rsp  
    mov     QWORD PTR [rbp-24], rdi  
    mov     DWORD PTR [rbp-28], esi  
    mov     rax, QWORD PTR [rbp-24]  
    mov     eax, DWORD PTR [rax]  
    mov     DWORD PTR [rbp-4], eax  
    mov     DWORD PTR [rbp-8], 0  
  
.L3:  
    mov     eax, DWORD PTR [rbp-8]  
    cmp     eax, DWORD PTR [rbp-28]  
    jge     .L2  
    add     DWORD PTR [rbp-4], 1  
    add     DWORD PTR [rbp-8], 1  
    jmp     .L3  
  
.L2:  
    mov     eax, DWORD PTR [rbp-4]  
    pop     rbp  
    ret
```



```

foo:
    movl    $0,    %eax

L1:
    testq   %rdi,   %rdi
    je      L2
    movq    (%rdi), %rdi
    addl    $1,     %eax
    jmp     L1

L2:
    ret

```

```

int foo(long* p) {
    int result = ____;
    while (____) {
        p = ____;
        ____ = ____;
    }
    return result;
}

```

## Assembly Instructions


|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <b>mov a, b</b>          | Copy from <i>a</i> to <i>b</i> .  |
| <b>movs a, b</b>         | Copy from <i>a</i> to <i>b</i> with sign extension. Needs <i>two</i> width specifiers.                                      |
| <b>movz a, b</b>         | Copy from <i>a</i> to <i>b</i> with zero extension. Needs <i>two</i> width specifiers.                                      |
| <b>lea a, b</b>          | Compute address and store in <i>b</i> .<br><i>Note:</i> the scaling parameter of memory operands can only be 1, 2, 4, or 8. |
| <b>push src</b>          | Push <i>src</i> onto the stack and decrement stack pointer.   |
| <b>pop dst</b>           | Pop from the stack into <i>dst</i> and increment stack pointer.   |
| <b>call &lt;func&gt;</b> | Push return address onto stack and jump to a procedure.   |
| <b>ret</b>               | Pop return address and jump there.  |
| <b>add a, b</b>          | Add from <i>a</i> to <i>b</i> and store in <i>b</i> (and sets flags).   |
| <b>sub a, b</b>          | Subtract <i>a</i> from <i>b</i> (compute <i>b-a</i> ) and store in <i>b</i> (and sets flags).                               |
| <b>imul a, b</b>         | Multiply <i>a</i> and <i>b</i> and store in <i>b</i> (and sets flags).  |
| <b>and a, b</b>          | Bitwise AND of <i>a</i> and <i>b</i> , store in <i>b</i> (and sets flags).  |
| <b>sar a, b</b>          | Shift value of <i>b</i> <i>right (arithmetic)</i> by <i>a</i> bits, store in <i>b</i> (and sets flags).                     |
| <b>shr a, b</b>          | Shift value of <i>b</i> <i>right (logical)</i> by <i>a</i> bits, store in <i>b</i> (and sets flags).                        |
| <b>shl a, b</b>          | Shift value of <i>b</i> <i>left</i> by <i>a</i> bits, store in <i>b</i> (and sets flags).                                   |
| <b>cmp a, b</b>          | Compare <i>b</i> with <i>a</i> (compute <i>b-a</i> and set condition codes based on result).                                |
| <b>test a, b</b>         | Bitwise AND of <i>a</i> and <i>b</i> and set condition codes based on result.   |
| <b>jmp &lt;label&gt;</b> | Unconditional jump to address.  |
| <b>j* &lt;label&gt;</b>  | Conditional jump based on condition codes ( <i>more on next page</i> ).   |
| <b>set* a</b>            | Set byte based on condition codes.  |

Part 2: Follow the execution of foo in assembly, where 0x1000 is passed in to %rdi

Write the values of %rdi and %eax in the columns. If the value doesn't change, you can leave it blank

| Instruction | %rdi (hex) | %eax (decimal) |
|-------------|------------|----------------|
| movl        | 0x1000     | 0              |
| testq       |            |                |
| je          |            |                |
|             |            |                |
|             |            |                |
|             |            |                |
|             |            |                |
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|             |            |                |
|             |            |                |

| Address | Value  |
|---------|--------|
| 0x1000  | 0x1030 |
| 0x1008  | 0x1020 |
| 0x1010  | 0x1000 |
| 0x1018  | 0x0000 |
| 0x1020  | 0x1030 |
| 0x1028  | 0x1008 |
| 0x1030  | 0x0000 |
| 0x1038  | 0x1038 |
| 0x1040  | 0x1048 |
| 0x1048  | 0x1040 |



```
int foo(long* p) {  
    int result = 0;  
    while (p != NULL) {  
        p = *(long**)p;  
        result = result + 1;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```




| Instruction | %rdi (hex) | %eax (decimal) |
|-------------|------------|----------------|
| movl        | 0x1000     | 0              |
| testq       |            |                |
| je          |            |                |
| movq        | 0x1030     |                |
| addl        |            | 1              |
| jmp         |            |                |
| testq       |            |                |
| je          |            |                |
| movq        | 0x0        |                |
| addl        |            | 2              |
| jmp         |            |                |
| testq       |            |                |
| je          |            |                |
| ret         |            |                |


# GDB (basics in rec 1)

- layout next lets you see the code as you step through (at the beginning)
- Don't do this during defusing
- Close it with ctrl+X+A

[illegible]

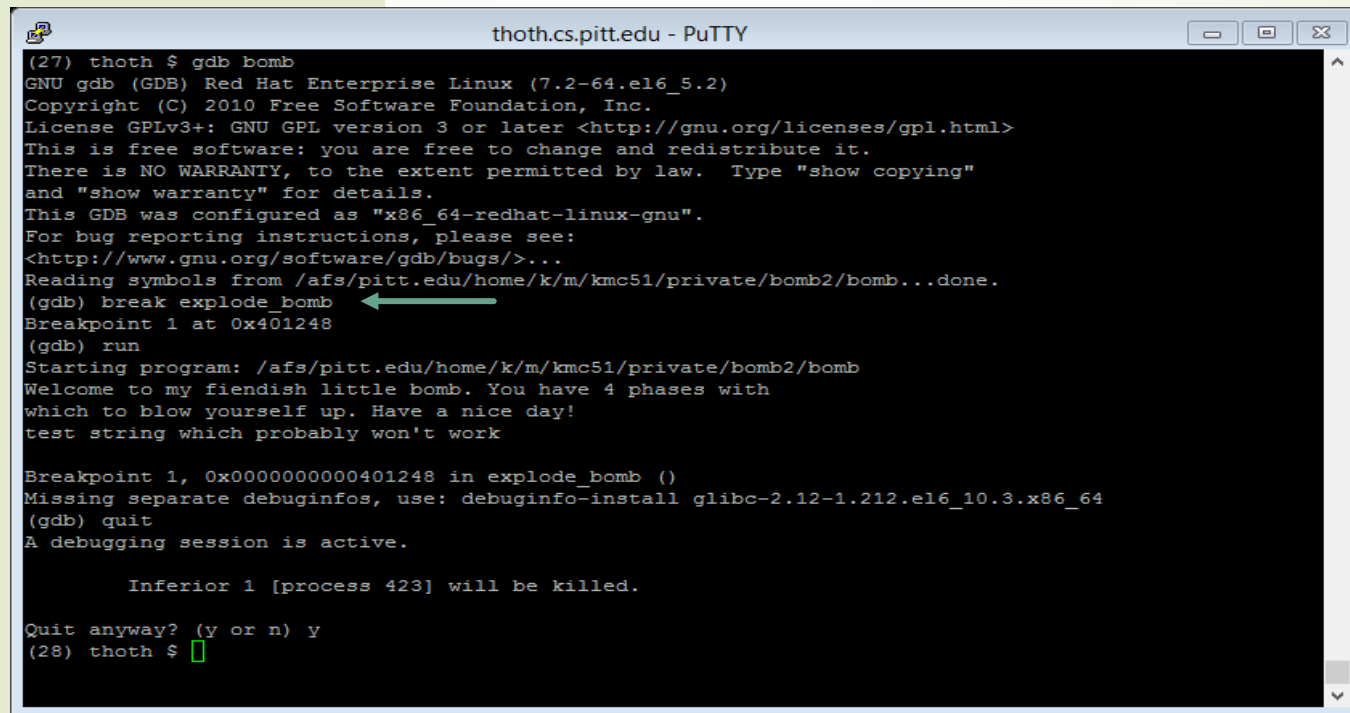


Read the pdf:  
**Hints, where to  
start?**



# Useful break points to set

- Break `explode_bomb` (for all phases)
- `...not_equal/...compare/...`
- Break ... if `cond`
- Break `printf("bad news")`



```
thoth.cs.pitt.edu - PuTTY
(27) thoth $ gdb bomb
GNU gdb (GDB) Red Hat Enterprise Linux (7.2-64.el6_5.2)
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and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "x86_64-redhat-linux-gnu".
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>...
Reading symbols from /afs/pitt.edu/home/k/m/kmc51/private/bomb2/bomb...done.
(gdb) break explode_bomb
Breakpoint 1 at 0x401248
(gdb) run
Starting program: /afs/pitt.edu/home/k/m/kmc51/private/bomb2/bomb
Welcome to my fiendish little bomb. You have 4 phases with
which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!
test string which probably won't work

Breakpoint 1, 0x0000000000401248 in explode_bomb ()
Missing separate debuginfos, use: debuginfo-install glibc-2.12-1.212.el6_10.3.x86_64
(gdb) quit
A debugging session is active.

        Inferior 1 [process 423] will be killed.

Quit anyway? (y or n) y
(28) thoth $
```

# Useful strings to search for (for simple bomb)

- “Phase 1 defused. Cool. How about the next one?” / “Awesome! That's number 2. Keep going!” / ...
- Especially near compare/if statement

# Disas = disassembly

```
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[thoth ~/private/cs449_ta/lab4/bomb66]: gdb ./bomb
GNU gdb (GDB) Red Hat Enterprise Linux (7.2-64.el6_5.2)
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For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>...
Reading symbols from /afs/pitt.edu/home/w/e/wel104/private/cs449_ta/lab4/bomb66/
bomb...done.
(gdb) disas phase_1
Dump of assembler code for function phase_1:
0x000000000400e10 <+0>:      sub    rsp,0x8
0x000000000400e14 <+4>:      mov    esi,0x4021c8
0x000000000400e19 <+9>:      call   0x400fe6 <strings_not_equal>
0x000000000400e1e <+14>:     test   eax,eax
0x000000000400e20 <+16>:     je     0x400e27 <phase_1+23>
0x000000000400e22 <+18>:     call   0x401238 <explode_bomb>
0x000000000400e27 <+23>:     add    rsp,0x8
0x000000000400e2b <+27>:     ret
End of assembler dump.
(gdb) █
```

# Objdump, strings, apropos, info, man... (called directly)

```
thoth.cs.pitt.edu - PuTTY
[thoth ~/private/cs449_ta/lab4/bomb66]: objdump -t bomb

bomb:      file format elf64-x86-64

SYMBOL TABLE:
0000000000400200 1      d  .interp      0000000000000000      .interp
000000000040021c 1      d  .note.ABI-tag 0000000000000000      .note.ABI-
tag
000000000040023c 1      d  .note.gnu.build-id 0000000000000000      .n
ote.gnu.build-id
0000000000400260 1      d  .gnu.hash     0000000000000000      .gnu.hash
0000000000400290 1      d  .dynsym       0000000000000000      .dynsym
0000000000400590 1      d  .dynstr       0000000000000000      .dynstr
00000000004006c0 1      d  .gnu.version  0000000000000000      .gnu versi
on
0000000000400700 1      d  .gnu.version_r 0000000000000000      .gnu versi
on_r
0000000000400740 1      d  .rela.dyn     0000000000000000      .rela.dyn
00000000004007a0 1      d  .rela.plt     0000000000000000      .rela.plt
0000000000400a28 1      d  .init         0000000000000000      .init
0000000000400a40 1      d  .plt          0000000000000000      .plt
0000000000400c00 1      d  .text         0000000000000000      .text
0000000000401ffc 1      d  .fini         0000000000000000      .fini
0000000000402020 1      d  .rodata       0000000000000000      .rodata
```

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```
(42) thoth $ objdump -d bomb > bomb_objdump_d.txt
```

```
(43) thoth $ head bomb_objdump_d.txt
```

```
bomb:      file format elf64-x86-64
```

```
Disassembly of section .init:
```

```
0000000000400a28 <_init>:
```

```
400a28:      48 83 ec 08          sub     $0x8,%rsp
```

```
400a2c:      e8 fb 01 00 00      callq  400c2c <call_gmon_start>
```

```
400a31:      48 83 c4 08          add     $0x8,%rsp
```

```
(44) thoth $ objdump -t bomb | grep -n -e explode
```

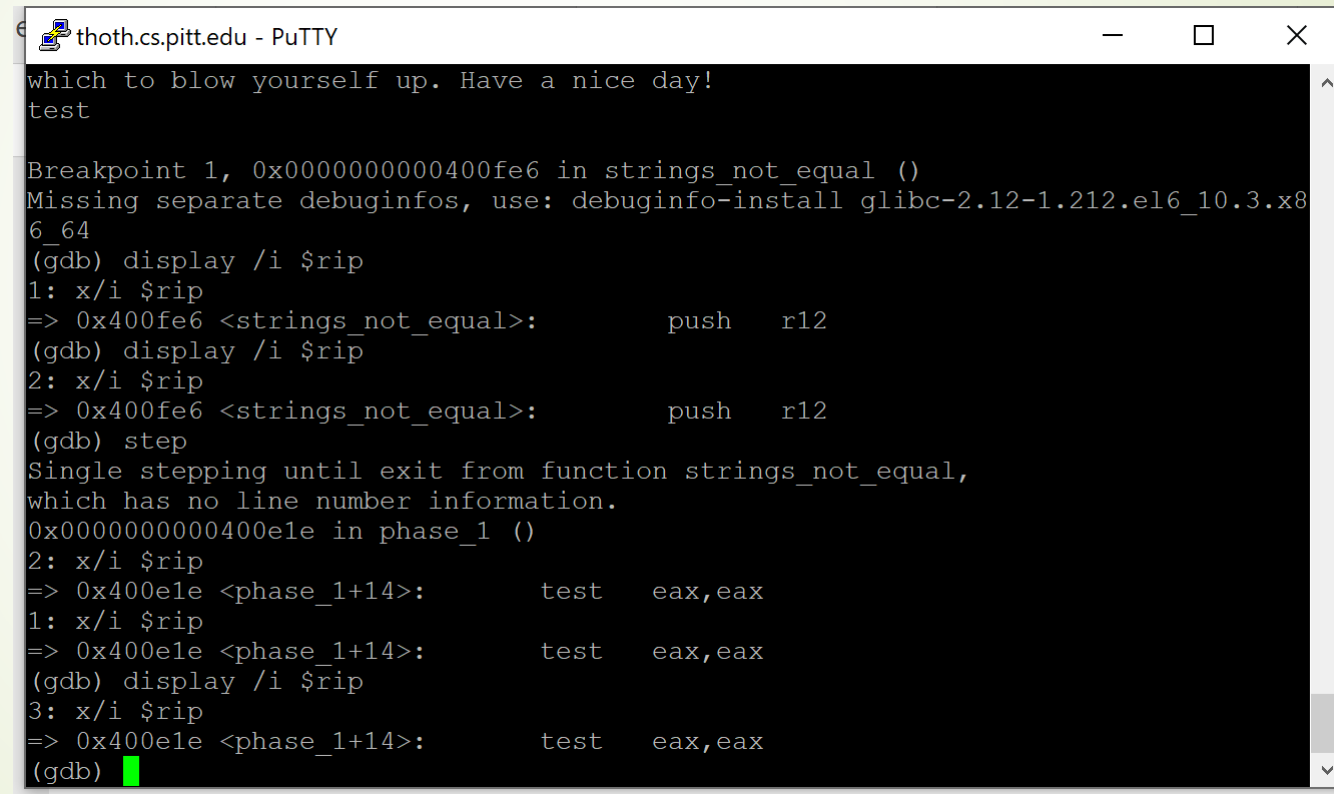
```
98:0000000000401248 g      F .text      0000000000000036
```

```
explode_bomb
```

```
(45) thoth $
```



# Stepping through and displaying next step



```
thoth.cs.pitt.edu - PuTTY
which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!
test

Breakpoint 1, 0x000000000400fe6 in strings_not_equal ()
Missing separate debuginfos, use: debuginfo-install glibc-2.12-1.212.el6_10.3.x86_64
(gdb) display /i $rip
1: x/i $rip
=> 0x400fe6 <strings_not_equal>:      push    r12
(gdb) display /i $rip
2: x/i $rip
=> 0x400fe6 <strings_not_equal>:      push    r12
(gdb) step
Single stepping until exit from function strings_not_equal,
which has no line number information.
0x000000000400e1e in phase_1 ()
2: x/i $rip
=> 0x400e1e <phase_1+14>:      test    eax,eax
1: x/i $rip
=> 0x400e1e <phase_1+14>:      test    eax,eax
(gdb) display /i $rip
3: x/i $rip
=> 0x400e1e <phase_1+14>:      test    eax,eax
(gdb)
```

Watch point pause the program  
whenever the value changes

```
PuTTY (inactive)
0000000000401033 g      F .text  000000000000000c1      initialize_bomb
0000000000000000      F *UND*  00000000000000000      __ctype_b_loc@@GLI
BC_2.3
0000000000603730 g      O .bss   00000000000000008      stderr@@GLIBC_2.2.
5
0000000000000000      F *UND*  00000000000000000      socket@@GLIBC_2.2.
5

[thoth ~/private/cs449_ta/lab4/bomb66]: gdb ./bomb
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For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>...
Reading symbols from /afs/pitt.edu/home/w/e/well104/private/cs449_ta/lab4/bomb66/
bomb...done.
(gdb) watch string_length
Hardware watchpoint 1: string_length
(gdb) █
```

Recall that, prior to the call to `strings_not_equal`, the arguments for `strings_not_equal` are pushed onto the registers `rsi` and `rdi` (in particular, these are the registers used to place the first and second function arguments, respectively). Inspect the contents of those registers to learn something about them:

```
x /2wx $rdi
```

Alternatively, you may find it more conveniently to inspect the register contents using a string format.

```
x /s $rdi
```

This should reveal something. How about the other register? What is it used for? Now run the same commands to inspect the register `$rsi`.

- Or print
- Or x/s

8. Once you've stopped at a breakpoint, say at a `cmp` machine instruction, step through machine instructions using `stepi` (`si`) or `nexti` (`ni`) and try to understand what happens (what each number is compared against, what conditions are being checked)

```
(gdb) break strings_not_equal
Breakpoint 1 at 0x400ff6
(gdb) run
Starting program: /afs/pitt.edu/home/k/m/kmc51/private/bomb2/bomb
Welcome to my fiendish little bomb. You have 4 phases with
which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!
test

Breakpoint 1, 0x000000000400ff6 in strings_not_equal ()
Missing separate debuginfos, use: debuginfo-install glibc-2.12-1.212.el6_10.3.x86_64
(gdb) si
0x000000000400ff8 in strings_not_equal ()
(gdb) si
0x000000000400ff9 in strings not equal ()
(gdb) display /i $rip
1: x/i $rip
=> 0x400ff9 <strings_not_equal+3>:      push    %rbx
(gdb) si
0x000000000400ffa in strings_not_equal ()
1: x/i $rip
=> 0x400ffa <strings_not_equal+4>:      mov     %rdi,%rbx
(gdb) 
```



## Notes

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Guess it like you were to implement it

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Draw the function call flow

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1/0 values may indicate comparison

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Keep a paper/Word doc to keep track

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Sometimes things are implicit, but it shouldn't matter

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# Good luck!

It's possible (not easy) to get all answers w/o exploding the bomb