NEU CY 5770 Software Vulnerabilities and Security

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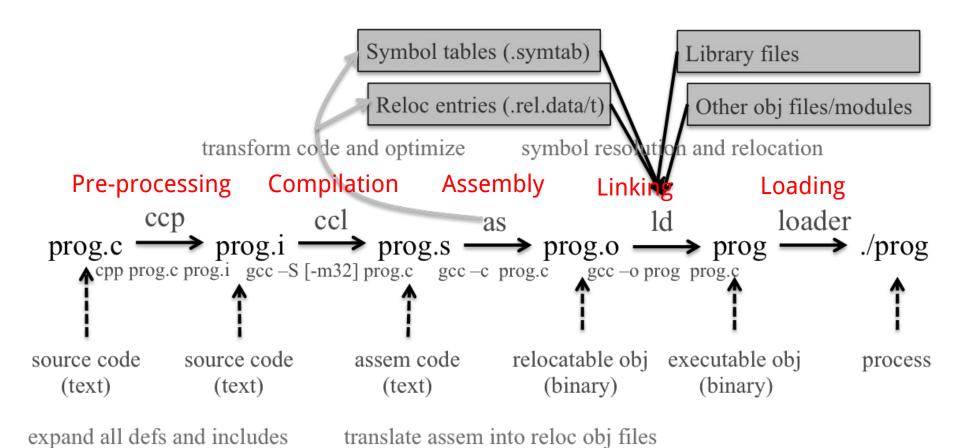
Agenda

- Background knowledge
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 - b. x86 and x86-64 architectures and ISA
 - c. ARM ISA
 - d. Linux fundamentals
 - i. Linux file permissions
 - ii. Set-UID programs
 - iii. Memory map of a Linux process
 - iv. System calls
 - v. Piping
 - vi. Environment and Shell variables
 - vii. ELF files
 - viii. Reverse engineering tools

Compiler, linker, and loader

Background Knowledge:

From a C program to a process



A Shell in a Nutshell

```
int pid = fork();
if (pid == 0) {
  // I am the child process
  exec("ls"); }
else if (pid == -1)
  // fork failed
else {
  // I am the parent; continue my business being a cool program
  // I could wait for the child to finish if I want
    https://github.com/kamalmarhubi/shell-workshop
```

Loading and Executing a Binary Program on Linux

Validation (permissions, memory requirements etc.)

Operating system starts by setting up a new process for the program to run in, including a virtual address space.

The operating system maps an interpreter into the process's virtual memory.

Interpreter, e.g., /lib/ld-linux.so in Linux

The interpreter loads the binary into its virtual address space (the same space in which the interpreter is loaded).

It then parses the binary to find out (among other things) which dynamic libraries the binary uses.

The interpreter maps these into the virtual address space (using *mmap* or an equivalent function) and then performs any necessary last-minute relocations in the binary's code sections to fill in the correct addresses for references to the dynamic libraries.

- 1. Copying the command-line arguments on the stack
- 2. Initializing registers (e.g., the stack pointer)
- 3. Jumping to the program entry point (_start)

Compiling a C program behind the scene (add_32 add_64)

add.c add.h main.c /* This program has an integer overflow vulnerability. */ #include "add.h" #ifndef ADD H #include "add.h" #define ADD H #include <stdio.h> #include <string.h> #define BASE 50 int add(int, int); #include <stdlib.h> #define USAGE "Add two integers with 50. Usage: add a b\n" int add(int a, int b) #endif int main(int argc, char *argv[]) { return a + b + BASE:} int a = 0: int b = 0; if (argc != 3) gcc -Wall -save-temps -P -m32 -O2 add.c main.c -o add_32 printf(USAGE); return 0;} : gcc -Wall -save-temps -P -O2 add.c main.c -o add_64 a = atoi(argv[1]);b = atoi(argv[2]);printf("%d + %d + 50 = %d\n", a, b, add(a, b));

x86 architecture

Background Knowledge:

Data Types

There are 5 integer data types:

Byte - 8 bits.

Word – 16 bits.

Dword, Doubleword – 32 bits.

Quadword - 64 bits.

Double quadword – 128 bits.

Endianness

• Little Endian (Intel, ARM)

Least significant byte has lowest address

Dword address: 0x0

Value: 0x78563412

Big Endian

Least significant byte has highest address

Dword address: 0x0 Value: 0x12345678

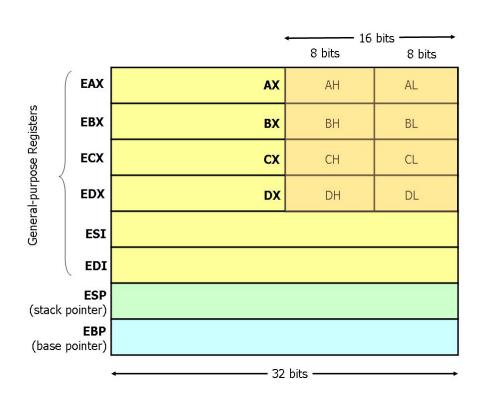
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Address 1	0x34
Address 2	0x56
Address 3	0x78

Base Registers

There are

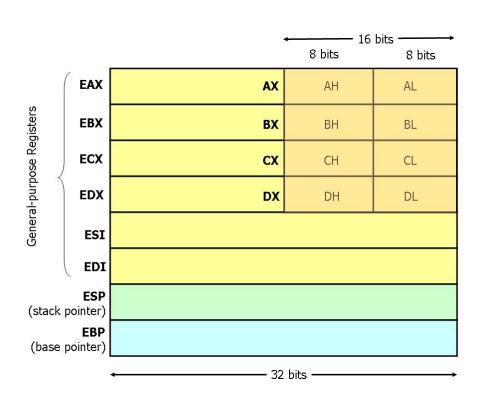
- Eight 32-bit "general-purpose" registers,
- One 32-bit EFLAGS register,
- One 32-bit instruction pointer register (eip), and
- Other special-purpose registers.

The General-Purpose Registers



- 8 general-purpose registers
- esp is the stack pointer
- ebp is the base pointer
- esi and edi are source and destination index registers for array and string operations

The General-Purpose Registers



- The registers eax, ebx, ecx, and edx may be accessed as 32-bit, 16-bit, or 8-bit registers.
- The other four registers can be accessed as 32-bit or 16-bit.

EFLAGS Register

The various bits of the 32-bit EFLAGS register are set (1) or reset/clear (0) according to the results of certain operations.

We will be interested in, at most, the bits

CF – carry flag

PF – parity flag

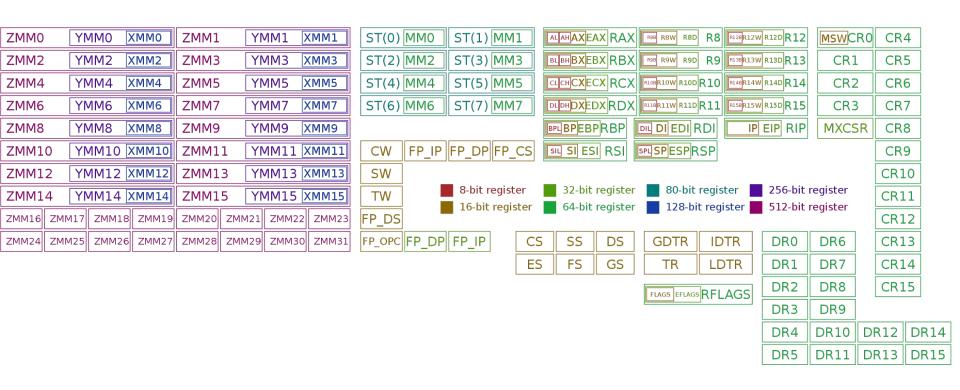
ZF – zero flag

SF – sign flag

Instruction Pointer (EIP)

Finally, there is the EIP register, which is the instruction pointer (program counter). Register EIP holds the address of the **next** instruction to be executed.

Registers on x86 and amd64



Instructions

Each instruction is of the form

label: mnemonic operand1, operand2, operand3 The label is optional.

The number of operands is 0, 1, 2, or 3, depending on the mnemonic.

Each operand is either

- An immediate value,
- A register, or
- A memory address.

Source and Destination Operands

Each operand is either a source operand or a destination operand.

A source operand, in general, may be

- An immediate value,
- A register, or
- A memory address.

A destination operand, in general, may be

- A register, or
- A memory address.

Instructions

hlt – 0 operands halts the central processing unit (CPU) until the next external interrupt is fired

inc - 1 operand; inc <reg>, inc <mem>

add - 2 operands; add <reg>,<reg>

imul - 1, 2, or 3 operands; imul <reg32>,<reg32>,<con>

In Intel syntax the first operand is the destination

Intel Syntax Assembly and Disassembly

Machine instructions generally fall into three categories: data movement, arithmetic/logic, and control-flow.

```
<reg32> Any 32-bit register (eax, ebx, ecx, edx, esi, edi, esp, or ebp)
<reg16> Any 16-bit register (ax, bx, cx, or dx)
<reg8> Any 8-bit register (ah, bh, ch, dh, al, bl, cl, or dl)
<reg> Any register
<mem> A memory address (e.g., [eax] or [eax + ebx*4]); [] square brackets
<con32> Any 32-bit immediate
<con16> Any 16-bit immediate
<con8> Any 8-bit immediate
<con> Any 8-, 16-, or 32-bit immediate
```

Addressing Memory

Move from source (operand 2) to destination (operand 1)

Square bracket [] represents memory location.

mov [eax], ebx Copy 4 bytes from register EBX into memory address specified in EAX.

mov eax, [esi - 4] Move 4 bytes at memory address ESI - 4 into EAX.

mov [esi + eax * 1], cl Move the contents of CL into the byte at address ESI+EAX*1.

mov edx, [esi + ebx*4] Move the 4 bytes of data at address ESI+4*EBX into EDX.

Addressing Memory

The size directives BYTE PTR, WORD PTR, and DWORD PTR serve this purpose, indicating sizes of 1, 2, and 4 bytes respectively.

mov [ebx], 2 isn't this ambiguous? We can have a default.

mov BYTE PTR [ebx], 2 Move 2 into the single byte at the address stored in EBX.

mov WORD PTR [ebx], 2 Move the 16-bit integer representation of 2 into the 2 bytes starting at the address in EBX.

mov DWORD PTR [ebx], 2 Move the 32-bit integer representation of 2 into the 4 bytes starting at the address in EBX.

Data Movement Instructions

mov — Move

```
Syntax
mov <reg>, <reg>
mov <reg>, <mem>
mov <mem>, <reg>
mov <reg>, <con>
mov <mem>, <con>
```

Examples mov eax, ebx — copy the value in EBX into EAX mov byte ptr [var], 5 — store the value 5 into the byte at location var

Data Movement Instructions

push — Push on stack; decrements ESP by 4, then places the operand at the location ESP points to.

```
Syntax
push <reg32>
push <mem>
push <con32>
```

Examples
push eax — push eax on the stack
push [var] — push the 4 bytes at address var onto the stack

Data Movement Instructions

pop — Pop from stack

Syntax pop <reg32> pop <mem>

Examples pop edi — pop the top element of the stack into EDI. pop [ebx] — pop the top element of the stack into memory at the four bytes starting at location EBX.

LEA Instructions

lea — Load effective address; used for quick calculation

Syntax lea <reg32>, <mem>

Examples Lea edi, [ebx+4*esi] — the quantity EBX+8*ESI is placed in EDI.

Arithmetic and Logic Instructions

add eax, 10 — EAX is set to EAX + 10
 addb byte ptr [eax], 10 — add 10 to the single byte stored at memory address stored in EAX

sub al, ah — AL is set to AL - AHsub eax, 216 — subtract 216 from the value stored in EAX

dec eax — subtract one from the contents of EAX

imul eax, [ebx] — multiply the contents of EAX by the 32-bit contents of the memory at location EBX. Store the result in EAX.

shr ebx, cl — Store in EBX the floor of result of dividing the value of EBX by 2n where n is the value in CL.

jmp — Jump

Transfers program control flow to the instruction at the memory location indicated by the operand.

Syntax jmp <label> # direct jump jmp <reg32> # indirect jump

Example jmp begin — Jump to the instruction labeled begin.

jcondition — Conditional jump

```
Syntax
je <label> (jump when equal)
jne <label> (jump when not equal)
jz <label> (jump when last result was zero)
jg <label> (jump when greater than)
jge <label> (jump when greater than or equal to)
jl <label> (jump when less than)
jle <label> (jump when less than or equal to)
```

Example

cmp ebx, eax jle done

cmp — Compare

```
Syntax
cmp <reg>, <reg>
cmp <mem>, <reg>
cmp <reg>, <mem>
cmp <con>, <reg>
```

Example cmp byte ptr [ebx], 10 jeq loop

If the byte stored at the memory location in EBX is equal to the integer constant 10, jump to the location labeled loop.

call — Subroutine call

The call instruction first **pushes the current code location onto the hardware supported stack** in memory, and then performs **an unconditional jump to the code** location indicated by the label operand. *Unlike the simple jump instructions, the call instruction saves the location to return to when the subroutine completes*.

Syntax call <label> call <reg32> Call <mem>

ret — Subroutine return

The ret instruction implements a subroutine return mechanism. This instruction pops a code location off the hardware supported in-memory stack to the program counter.

Syntax ret

The Run-time Stack

The run-time stack supports procedure calls and the passing of parameters between procedures.

The stack is located in memory.

The stack grows towards low memory.

When we push a value, esp is decremented.

When we pop a value, esp is incremented.

Stack Instructions

enter — Create a function frame

Equivalent to:

push ebp mov ebp, esp sub esp, Imm

Stack Instructions

leave — Releases the function frame set up by an earlier ENTER instruction.

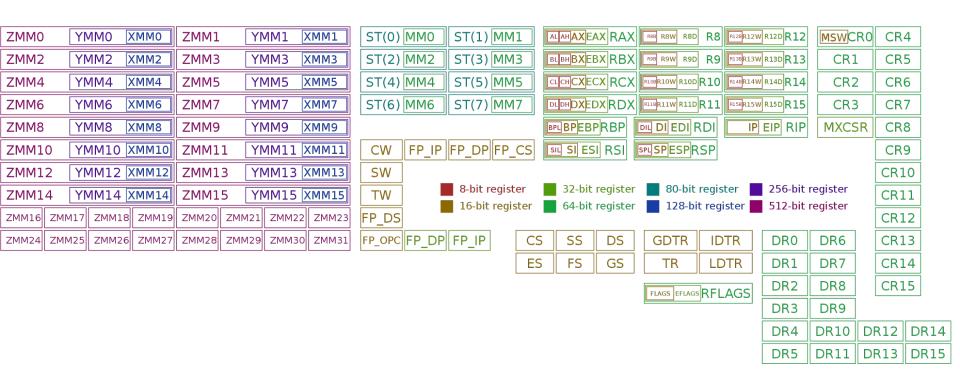
Equivalent to:

mov esp, ebp pop ebp

x86-64/amd64 architecture

Background Knowledge:

Registers on x86 and x86-64



x86 vs. x86-64 (code/ladd)

main.c

```
This program has an integer overflow vulnerability.
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
long long ladd(long long *xp, long long y)
 long long t = *xp + y;
 return t;
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
 long long a = 0;
 long long b = 0;
 if (argc != 3)
   printf("Usage: ladd a b\n");
   return 0;
 printf("The sizeof(long long) is %d\n", sizeof(long long));
 a = atoll(argv[1]);
 b = atoll(argv[2]);
 printf("%lld + %lld = %lld n", a, b, ladd(&a, b));
```

gcc -Wall -m32 -O2 main.c -o ladd

: gcc -Wall -O2 main.c -o ladd64

x86 vs. x86-64 (code/ladd)

x86

```
000012c0 < ladd>:
          f3 0f 1e fb
                           endbr32
  12c0:
          8b 44 24 04
  12c4:
                                  eax,DWORD PTR [esp+0x4]
  12c8:
          8b 50 04
                                 edx,DWORD PTR [eax+0x4]
                           mov
  12cb:
          8b 00
                                eax, DWORD PTR [eax]
                          mov
  12cd:
                                 eax,DWORD PTR [esp+0x8]
          03 44 24 08
                            add
  12d1:
                            adc edx, DWORD PTR [esp+0xc]
          13 54 24 0c
  12d5:
          c3
                        ret
```

x86-64

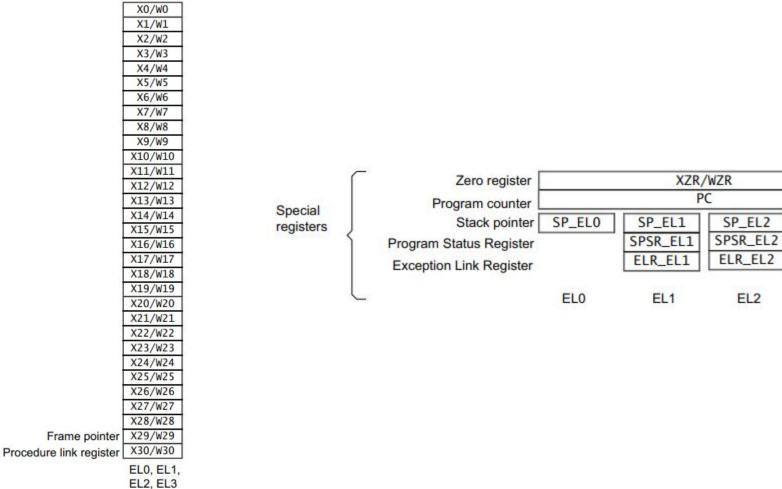
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000000000001220 <ladd>:
    1220: f3 0f 1e fa endbr64
    1224: 48 8b 07 mov rax,QWORD PTR [rdi]
    1227: 48 01 f0 add rax,rsi
    122a: c3 ret
```

objdump -M intel -d ladd_32 objdump -M intel -d ladd_64

Background Knowledge:

ARM Cortex-A/M Architecture

Cortex-A 64 bit



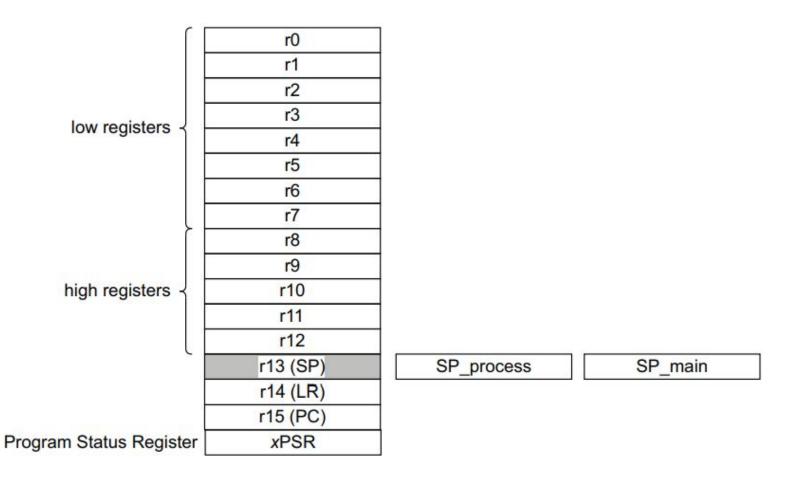
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Cortex-M 32 bit



Background Knowledge:

Linux File Permissions

Permission Groups

Each file and directory has three user-based permission groups:

Owner – A user is the owner of the file. By default, the person who created a file becomes its owner. The Owner permissions apply only the owner of the file or directory

Group – A group can contain multiple users. All users belonging to a group will have the same access permissions to the file. The Group permissions apply only to the group that has been assigned to the file or directory

Others – The others permissions apply to all other users on the system.

Permission Types

Each file or directory has three basic permission types defined for all the 3 user types:

Read – The Read permission refers to a user's capability to read the contents of the file.

Write – The Write permissions refer to a user's capability to write or modify a file or directory.

Execute – The Execute permission affects a user's capability to execute a file or view the contents of a directory.

```
File type: First field in the output is file type. If the there is a – it means it
is a plain file. If there is d it means it is a directory, c represents a
character device, b represents a block device.
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Permissions for owner, group, and others

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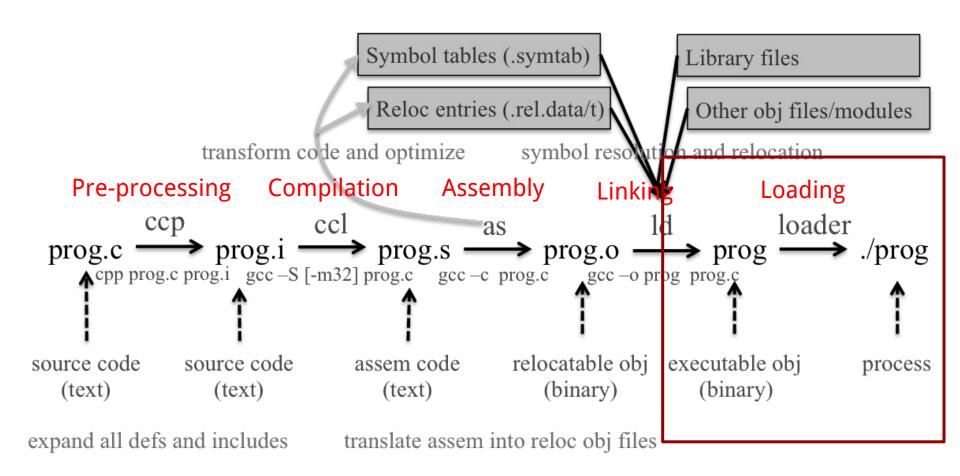
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Background Knowledge: Set-UID Programs

From a C program to a process



Real UID, Effective UID, and Saved UID

Each Linux/Unix **process** has 3 UIDs associated with it.

Real UID (RUID): This is the UID of the user/process that created THIS process. It can be changed only if the running process has EUID=0.

Effective UID (EUID): This UID is used to evaluate privileges of the process to perform a particular action. EUID can be changed either to RUID, or SUID if EUID!=0. If EUID=0, it can be changed to anything.

Saved UID (SUID): If the binary image file, that was launched has a Set-UID bit on, SUID will be the UID of the owner of the file. Otherwise, SUID will be the RUID.

Set-UID Program

The kernel makes the decision whether a process has the privilege by looking on the **EUID** of the process.

For non Set-UID programs, the effective uid and the real uid are the same. For Set-UID programs, **the effective uid is the owner of the program**, while the real uid is the user of the program.

What will happen is when a setuid binary executes, the process changes its Effective User ID (EUID) from the default RUID to the owner of this special binary executable file which in this case is - root.

```
ziming@ziming-ThinkPad:~$ ls -al /bin/
total 12676
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root
                         4096 May 26 00:14 .
drwxr-xr-x 26 root root
                         4096 May 18 09:57 ...
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 1113504 Jun 6 2019 bash
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-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root
                                     2019 bunzip2
-rwxr-xr-x 3 root root
                         34888 Jul 4
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 2062296 Mar 6
                                     2019 busybox
                         34888 Jul 4
                                      2019 bzcat
-rwxr-xr-x 3 root root
                                     2019 bzcmp -> bzdiff
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root
                            6 Jul 4
                                     2019 bzdiff
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-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root
                                      2019 bzegrep -> - rwxr-xr-x 1 root root
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                            6 Jul 4
                                     2019 bzfgrep -> lrwxrwxrwx
                                                                1 root root
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                                      2019 bzmore
                          1297 Jul 4
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                                                                                44664 Mar 22 2019 SU
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                         63672 Jan 18
                                     2018 chgrp
                                                                                           3 07:30 systemd -> /lib/systemd/systemd
                                                                1 root root
                                      2018 chmod
                                                    lrwxrwxrwx
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root
                         59608 Jan 18
                         67768 Jan 18
                                     2018 chown
                                                                1 root root
                                                                                10320 May
                                                                                           3 07:30 systemd-ask-password
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                                                                1 root root
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                                                                                88280 Jan 18
                                                                                              2018 touch
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                                                                1 root root
                                                     - FWXF-XF-X
                                                                               584072 May 3 07:30 udevadm
                                                                1 root root
                                                     - FWXF - XF - X
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                                                     - FWXF - XF - X
                                                                1 root root
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Example: rdsecret

main.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <pwd.h>
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
 FILE *fp = NULL;
 char buffer[100] = \{0\};
 // get ruid and euid
 uid t uid = getuid();
 struct passwd *pw = getpwuid(uid);
 if (pw)
       printf("UID: %d, USER: %s.\n", uid, pw->pw name);
 uid t euid = geteuid();
 pw = getpwuid(euid);
```

```
if (pw)
       printf("EUID: %d, EUSER: %s.\n", euid, pw->pw name);
 print_flag();
 return(0);
void print_flag()
       FILE *fp;
       char buff[MAX_FLAG_SIZE];
       fp = fopen("flag","r");
       fread(buff, MAX_FLAG_SIZE, 1, fp);
       printf("flag is : %s\n", buff);
       fclose(fp);
```

ELF Binary Files

Background Knowledge:

ELF Files

The **Executable** and **Linkable Format** (**ELF**) is a common standard file format for *executable files*, *object code*, *shared libraries*, and *core dumps*. Filename extension *none*, *.axf*, *.bin*, *.elf*, *.o*, *.prx*, *.puff*, *.ko*, *.mod and .so*

Contains the program and its data. Describes how the program should be loaded (program/segment headers). Contains metadata describing program components (section headers).

Command file

```
ziming@ziming-XPS-13-9300:~$ file /bin/ls
/bin/ls: ELF 64-bit LSB shared object, x86-64, version 1 (SYSV), dynamically lin
ked, interpreter /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2, BuildID[sha1]=2f15ad836be3339dec0e
2e6a3c637e08e48aacbd, for GNU/Linux 3.2.0, stripped
ziming@ziming-XPS-13-9300:~$
```

: file /bin/ls

```
ziming@ziming-XPS-13-9300:~$ readelf -a /bin/ls
ELF Header:
 Magic: 7f 45 4c 46 02 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                     2's complement, little endian
 Data:
 Version:
                                     1 (current)
 OS/ABI:
                                     UNIX - System V
 ABI Version:
 Type:
                                     DYN (Shared object file)
 Machine:
                                     Advanced Micro Devices X86-64
 Version:
 Entry point address:
                                     0x67d0
 Start of program headers:
                                     64 (bytes into file)
                                     140224 (bytes into file)
 Start of section headers:
 Flags:
                                     0x0
 Size of this header:
                                     64 (bytes)
 Size of program headers:
                                     56 (bytes)
 Number of program headers:
                                     64 (bytes)
 Size of section headers:
 Number of section headers:
 Section header string table index: 29
Section Headers:
                                           Address
 [Nr] Name
                         Type
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      Size
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 [ 0]
                         00000000000000000
       00000000000000000
 [ 1] .interp
                         PROGBITS
       000000000000001c
                        00000000000000000
 [ 2] .note.qnu.propert NOTE
       00000000000000020
                         00000000000000000
 [ 3] .note.anu.build-i NOTE
       00000000000000024
                         00000000000000000
 [ 4] .note.ABI-tag
                         NOTE
       00000000000000000 0000000000000000
  [ 5] .gnu.hash
                         GNU HASH
                                                             000003a0
       00000000000000e4
                         00000000000000000
                         DYNSYM
 [ 6] .dynsym
       80b0000000000do8
                        00000000000000018
                         STRTAB
 [ 7] .dynstr
       000000000000064c 0000000000000000
 [ 8] .anu.version
                         VERSYM
                                                             000017dc
       0000000000000116 0000000000000002
 [ 9] .qnu.version r
       00000000000000070
                        00000000000000000
  [10] .rela.dvn
                                                             00001968
       0000000000001350
 [11] .rela.plt
                                                             00002cb8
       00000000000009f0 0000000000000018 AI
  [12] .init
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      00000000000006b0 0000000000000010 AX
```

INTERP: defines the library that should be used to load this ELF into memory.LOAD: defines a part of the file that should be loaded into memory.

Sections:

.text: the executable code of your program.
.plt and .got: used to resolve and dispatch library calls.

.data: used for pre-initialized global writable
data (such as global arrays with initial values)
.rodata: used for global read-only data (such
as string constants)

.bss: used for uninitialized global writable data (such as global arrays without initial values)

Tools for ELF

gcc to make your ELF.
readelf to parse the ELF header.
objdump to parse the ELF header and disassemble the source code.
nm to view your ELF's symbols.
patchelf to change some ELF properties.
objcopy to swap out ELF sections.
strip to remove otherwise-helpful information (such as symbols).
kaitai struct (https://ide.kaitai.io/) to look through your ELF interactively.

Memory Map of a Linux Process

Background Knowledge:

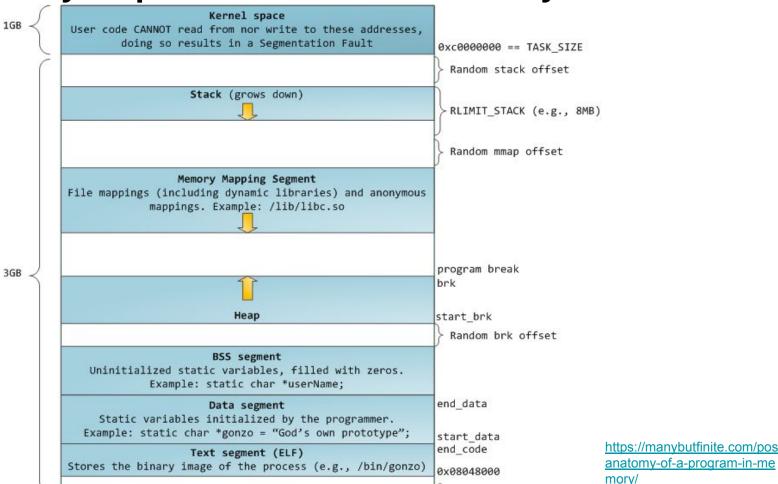
Memory Map of Linux Process (32 bit)

Each process in a multi-tasking OS runs in its own memory sandbox.

This sandbox is the **virtual address space**, which in 32-bit mode is **always a 4GB block of memory addresses**.

These virtual addresses are mapped to physical memory by **page tables**, which are maintained by the operating system kernel and consulted by the processor.

Memory Map of Linux Process (32 bit system)



NULL Pointer in C/C++

```
int * pInt = NULL;
In possible definitions of NULL in C/C++:
#define NULL ((char *)0)
#define NULL 0
//since (++11
#define NULL nullptr
```

/proc/pid_of_process/maps

Example processmap.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main()
{
        getchar();
        return 0;
}
```

cat /proc/pid/maps
pmap -X pid
pmap -X `pidof pm`

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21732	: ./	pm															
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		xp 00000000			4	4	4	4	0	0	0	(0	0	0	0 pm	
		-р 00000000			4	4	4	4	4	0	0		0	0	0	0 pm	
		-p 00001000			4		4	4	4	0	0			0	0	0 pm	
		-р 00000000		0	136	4	4	4	4	0	0			0	0	0 [heap]	
		xp 00000000						772	0	0	0			0	0	0 libc-2.27.so	
		-р 001d5000			4	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	0 libc-2.27.so	
		-р 001d5000			8		8	8	8	0	0			0	0	0 libc-2.27.so	
		-р 001d7000			4	4	4	4	4	0	0			0	0	0 libc-2.27.so	
		-р 00000000		0	12	8	8	8	8	0	0			0	0	0	
		-р 00000000		0	8	8	8	8	8	0	0			0	0	0	
		-р 00000000		0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	0 [vvar]	
		xp 00000000		0	8	8	8	8	0	0	0			0	0	0 [vdso]	
		xp 00000000				144		144	0	0	0			0	0	0 ld-2.27.so	
		-р 00025000			4	4	4	4	4	0	0			0	0	0 ld-2.27.so	
		-р 00026000			4		4	4	4	0	0			0	0	0 ld-2.27.so	
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Memory Map of Linux Process (64 bit system)

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22891:	: ./pm64																	
	Address	Perm	0ffset	Device	Inode	Size	Rss	Pss	Referenced	Anonymous	LazyFree	ShmemPmdMapped	Shared_Hugetlb	Private_Hugetlb	Swap	SwapPss	Locked	Mapping
	5bf7ae37000						4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	pm64
	5bf7b037000						4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	pm64
	5bf7b038000					4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	pm64
	5bf7cc0c000					132	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	(0	0	[heap]
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71	fc7ec19d000	ГР	001e7000	103:02	660090	16	16	16	16	16	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	libc-2.27.so
71	fc7ec1a1000	rw-p	001eb000	103:02	660090	8	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	(0	0	libc-2.27.so
71	fc7ec1a3000	rw-p	00000000	00:00	Θ	16	12	12	12	12	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	
71	fc7ec1a7000	г-хр	00000000	103:02	660062	156	156	0	156	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	ld-2.27.so
71	fc7ec3a6000	rw-p	00000000	00:00	0	8	8	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	Townson to continue
71	fc7ec3ce000	ГР	00027000	103:02	660062	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	(0	0	ld-2.27.so
71	fc7ec3cf000	rw-p	00028000	103:02	660062	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	ld-2.27.so
71	fc7ec3d0000	rw-p	00000000	00:00	0	4	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	
71	ffe05803000	гм-р	00000000	00:00	0	132	12	12	12	12	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	[stack]
71	ffe058b9000	гр	00000000	00:00	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	[vvar]
71	ffe058bc000	г-хр	00000000	00:00	0	8	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	[vdso]
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System Calls

Background Knowledge:

What is System Call?

When a process needs to invoke a kernel service, it invokes a procedure call in the operating system interface using special instructions (not a **call** instruction in x86). Such a procedure is called a system call.

The system call enters the kernel; the kernel performs the service and returns. Thus a process alternates between executing in user space and kernel space.

System calls are generally not invoked directly by a program, but rather via wrapper functions in glibc (or perhaps some other library).

Popular System Call

On Unix, Unix-like and other POSIX-compliant operating systems, popular system calls are open, read, write, close, wait, exec, fork, exit, and kill.

Many modern operating systems have hundreds of system calls. For example, Linux and OpenBSD each have over 300 different calls, FreeBSD has over 500, Windows 7 has close to 700.

Glibc interfaces

Often, but not always, the name of the wrapper function is the same as the name of the system call that it invokes.

For example, glibc contains a function chdir() which invokes the underlying "chdir" system call.

Tools: strace & Itrace

```
ctf@misc firstflag 64:/$ strace ./misc firstflag 64
execve("./misc firstflag 64", ["./misc firstflag 64"], 0x7fffffffe680 /* 17 vars */) = 0
access("/etc/suid-debug", F OK
                                = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
arch prctl(0x3001 /* ARCH ??? */, 0x7ffffffffe5a0) = -1 EINVAL (Invalid argument)
fcntl(0, F GETFD)
fcntl(1, F GETFD)
fcntl(2, F GETFD)
access("/etc/suid-debug", F OK)
                                = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
access("/etc/ld.so.preload", R OK)
                                = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
openat(AT FDCWD, "/etc/ld.so.cache", 0 RDONLY|0 CLOEXEC) = 3
fstat(3, {st mode=S IFREG|0644, st size=47355, ...}) = 0
close(3)
openat(AT FDCWD, "/lib/x86 64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6", 0 RDONLY|0 CLOEXEC) = 3
pread64(3, "\4\0\0\0\20\0\0\5\0\0\0GNU\0\2\0\0\300\4\0\0\0\3\0\0\0\0\0\0\0", 32, 848) = 32
pread64(3, "\4\0\0\0\24\0\0\0\3\0\0\0GNU\0\t\233\222%\274\260\320\31\331\336\10\204\276X>\263"..., 68, 880) = 68
fstat(3, {st mode=S IFREG|0755, st size=2029224, ...}) = 0
mmap(NULL, 8Ī92, PRŌT READ|PROT WRĪTE, MAP PRIVATE|MAP ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) = 0x7ffff7fbd000
mmap(NULL, 2036952, PROT READ, MAP PRIVATE MAP DENYWRITE, 3, 0) = 0x7ffff7dcb000
mprotect(0x7fffff7df0000, 1847296, PROT NONE) = 0
mmap(0x7ffff7df0000, 1540096, PROT READ|PROT EXEC, MAP PRIVATE|MAP FIXED|MAP DENYWRITE, 3, 0x25000) = 0x7ffff7df0000
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mmap(0x7ffff7fb3000, 24576, PROT READ|PROT WRITE, MAP PRIVATE|MAP FIXED|MAP DENYWRITE, 3, 0x1e7000) = 0x7ffff7fb3000
mmap(0x7ffff7fb9000, 13528, PROT READ PROT WRITE, MAP PRIVATE MAP FIXED MAP ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) = 0x7ffff7fb9000
close(3)
arch prctl(ARCH SET FS, 0x7ffff7fbe540) = 0
mprotect(0x7ffff7fb3000, 12288, PROT READ) = 0
mprotect(0x5555555557000, 4096, PROT READ) = 0
mprotect(0x7fffff7ffc000, 4096, PROT READ) = 0
munmap(0x7fffff7fbf000.47355)
fstat(1, {st mode=S IFCHR|0620, st rdev=makedev(0x88, 0), ...}) = 0
                                = 0 \times 55555559000
brk(0x5555557a000)
                                = 0x55555557a000
write(1, "Congratulations on getting your "..., 45Congratulations on getting your first flag!!
openat(AT FDCWD, "/flag", O RDONLY)
                                = -1 EACCES (Permission denied)
write(1, "Error: Cannot open the flag file"..., 36Error: Cannot open the flag file!!!
exit group(0)
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misc/firstflag main.c int main(int argc, char *argv[]) printf("Congratulations on getting your first flag!!\n"); print_flag(); flag.h int print_flag() FILE *fp = NULL; char buff[MAX_FLAG_SIZE] = {0}; fp = fopen("/flag", "r"); if (fp == NULL) printf("Error: Cannot open the flag file!!!\n"); return 1; fread(buff, MAX FLAG SIZE - 2, 1, fp); printf("The flag is: %s\n", buff); fclose(fp); return 0;

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Execve - first system call Access - check file permission Brk - check data segment/heap Arch prctl - set architecture-specific thread state Fcntl - manipulate file descriptor Openat - similar to open Fstat - get file status Mmap - map files or devices into memory Close Read Pread64 - similar to read Mprotect - set protection on a region of memory Munmap - map files or devices into memory Write Exit_group

Use "man 2 syscall_name" to check out its usage

On x86/x86-64, most system calls rely on the software interrupt.

A software interrupt is caused either by an exceptional condition in the processor itself, or a special instruction (the **int 0x80** instruction or **syscall** instruction).

For example: a divide-by-zero exception will be thrown if the processor's arithmetic logic unit is commanded to divide a number by zero as this instruction is in error and impossible.

Making a System Call in x86 Assembly (INT 0x80)

x86 (32-bit)

Compiled from Linux 4.14.0 headers.

NR	syscall name	references	%eax	arg0 (%ebx)	arg1 (%ecx)	arg2 (%edx)	arg3 (%esi)	arg4 (%edi)	arg5 (%ebp)
0	restart_syscall	man/ cs/	0x00	-	-	100	-	9 - 0	-
1	exit	man/ cs/	0x01	int error_code	-	s-	4 - 5	j	-
2	fork	man/ cs/	0x02	÷	5	-	-	-	-
3	read	man/ cs/	0x03	unsigned int fd	char *buf	size_t count	100	CE1	2
4	write	man/ cs/	0x04	unsigned int fd	const char *buf	size_t count	-	-	-
5	open	man/ cs/	0x05	const char *filename	int flags	umode_t mode	-	-	-
6	close	man/ cs/	0x06	unsigned int fd	-	-	-	-	-
7	waitpid	man/ cs/	0x07	pid_t pid	int *stat_addr	int options		(*)	-
8	creat	man/ cs/	0x08	const char *pathname	umode_t mode			-	-
9	link	man/ cs/	0x09	const char *oldname	const char *newname	-	1.50	100	-
10	unlink	man/ cs/	0x0a	const char *pathname	=		E.T.	l=e	es .
11	execve	man/ cs/	0x0b	const char *filename	const char *const *argv	const char *const *envp	-	-	-
12	chdir	man/ cs/	0x0c	const char *filename	±1		621	526	=
13	time	man/ cs/	0x0d	time_t *tloc	=	N=	14		2
14	mknod	man/ cs/	0x0e	const char *filename	umode_t mode	unsigned dev	-	~	-
15	chmod	man/ cs/	0x0f	const char *filename	umode_t mode		-	5=8	2
10	lahaum	man! cal	0.10	annat ahar	a +a.v	and t areas			

https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromiumos/docs/+/master/constants/syscalls.md#x86-32_bit

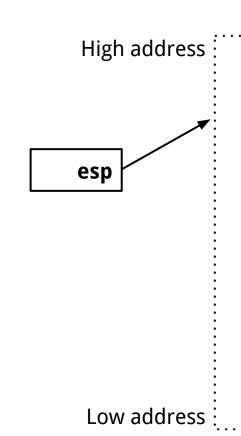
xor eax,eax push eax 0x68732f2f push 0x6e69622f push ebx,esp mov push eax push ebx mov ecx,esp mov al,0xb 08x0 int

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Dec Hx Oct Char
                                      Dec Hx Oct Html Chr
                                                          Dec Hx Oct Html Chr Dec Hx Oct Html Chr
                                                            64 40 100 @ 0
 0 0 000 NUL (null)
                                      32 20 040   Space
                                                                               96 60 140 6#96;
                                      33 21 041 6#33; !
                                                            65 41 101 A A
    1 001 SOH (start of heading)
                                                                               97 61 141 6#97; @
                                      34 22 042 6#34; "
                                                            66 42 102 B B
                                                                               98 62 142 6#98; b
    2 002 STX (start of text)
    3 003 ETX (end of text)
                                      35 23 043 6#35; #
                                                            67 43 103 C C
                                                                               99 63 143 4#99; 0
    4 004 EOT (end of transmission)
                                      36 24 044 6#36; $
                                                            68 44 104 D D
                                                                              100 64 144 d d
                                                                              101 65 145 6#101; 6
 5 5 005 ENQ (enquiry)
                                      37 25 045 6#37; %
                                                            69 45 105 E E
                                      38 26 046 4#38; 4
                                                            70 46 106 @#70; F
                                                                              102 66 146 @#102; f
    6 006 ACK (acknowledge)
    7 007 BEL (bell)
                                      39 27 047 6#39; 1
                                                            71 47 107 @#71; G
                                                                              103 67 147 @#103; g
                                                            72 48 110 @#72; H
                                                                              104 68 150 6#104; h
    8 010 BS
              (backspace)
                                      40 28 050 6#40;
                                                            73 49 111 6#73; I
                                                                             105 69 151 6#105; 1
    9 011 TAB (horizontal tab)
                                      41 29 051 6#41; )
   A 012 LF
              (NL line feed, new line)
                                      42 2A 052 6#42; *
                                                            74 4A 112 6#74; J
                                                                              106 6A 152 @#106; j
                                      43 2B 053 6#43; +
                                                            75 4B 113 6#75; K
                                                                              107 6B 153 k k
11 B 013 VT
              (vertical tab)
   C 014 FF
              (NP form feed, new page)
                                      44 2C 054 ,
                                                            76 4C 114 6#76; L
                                                                             108 6C 154 6#108; 1
13 D 015 CR
                                      45 2D 055 6#45; -
                                                            77 4D 115 @#77; M
                                                                              109 6D 155 m m
              (carriage return)
14 E 016 SO
              (shift out)
                                      46 2E 056 . .
                                                            78 4E 116 @#78; N
                                                                              110 6E 156 n n
15 F 017 SI
             (shift in)
                                      47 2F 057 @#47; /
                                                                             111 6F 157 @#111; 0
                                                            79 4F 117 6#79: 0
                                      48 30 060 6#48; 0
                                                            80 50 120 6#80; P
                                                                             112 70 160 @#112; p
16 10 020 DLE (data link escape)
                                      49 31 061 6#49; 1
                                                            81 51 121 6#81; 0
17 11 021 DC1 (device control 1)
                                                                             113 71 161 4#113; 4
                                      50 32 062 6#50; 2
                                                            82 52 122 @#82; R
                                                                             114 72 162 @#114; r
18 12 022 DC2 (device control 2)
19 13 023 DC3 (device control 3)
                                      51 33 063 4#51; 3
                                                            83 53 123 6#83; $
                                                                             115 73 163 4#115; 8
                                                            84 54 124 6#84; T
                                                                             116 74 164 @#116; t
20 14 024 DC4 (device control 4)
                                      52 34 064 6#52; 4
                                      53 35 065 4#53; 5
                                                            85 55 125 6#85; U
                                                                             117 75 165 6#117; u
21 15 025 NAK (negative acknowledge)
                                                                              118 76 166 4#118; 7
22 16 026 SYN (synchronous idle)
                                      54 36 066 6#54; 6
                                                            86 56 126 V V
23 17 027 ETB (end of trans. block)
                                      55 37 067 6#55; 7
                                                            87 57 127 6#87; W
                                                                             119 77 167 w W
24 18 030 CAN (cancel)
                                      56 38 070 6#56; 8
                                                            88 58 130 6#88; X
                                                                             120 78 170 x X
                                                                              121 79 171 @#121; 7
25 19 031 EM
             (end of medium)
                                      57 39 071 6#57; 9
                                                            89 59 131 Y Y
26 1A 032 SUB (substitute)
                                       58 3A 072 : :
                                                            90 5A 132 Z Z
                                                                              122 7A 172 z Z
27 1B 033 ESC (escape)
                                      59 3B 073 4#59; ;
                                                            91 5B 133 6#91; [
                                                                             123 7B 173 6#123;
28 1C 034 FS
              (file separator)
                                      60 3C 074 < <
                                                            92 5C 134 @#92; \
                                                                              124 7C 174 @#124;
                                                            93 5D 135 6#93; ]
                                                                              125 7D 175 } }
29 1D 035 GS
              (group separator)
                                      61 3D 075 = =
                                                                              126 7E 176 ~ ~
                                      62 3E 076 > >
                                                            94 5E 136 @#94; ^
30 1E 036 RS
              (record separator)
31 1F 037 US
              (unit separator)
                                      63 3F 077 ? ?
                                                            95 5F 137 @#95;
                                                                           127 7F 177  DEL
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Source: www.LookupTables.com

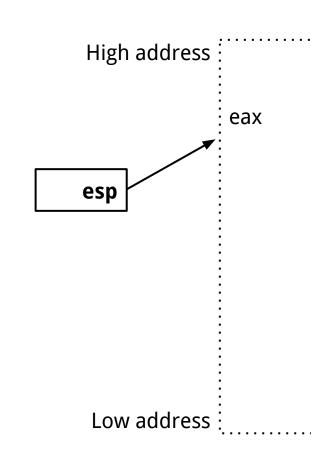
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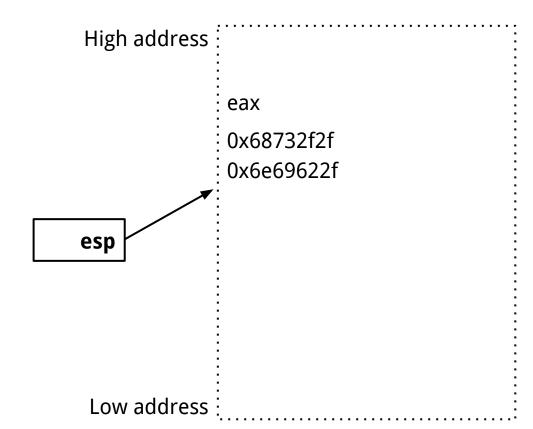
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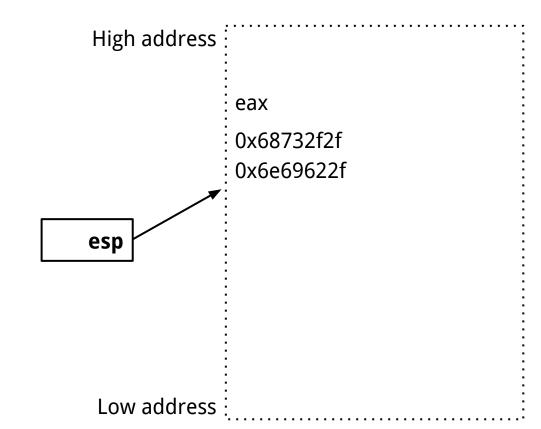
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EXECVE(2)
                                   Linux Programmer's Manual
NAME
       execve - execute program
SYNOPSIS
       #include <unistd.h>
       int execve(const char *filename, char *const argv[],
                   char *const envp[]);
       /bin/sh, 0x0
                              0x00000000
                                              Address of /bin/sh, 0x00000000
           EBX
                                  EDX
                                                         ECX
```

execve("/bin/sh", address of string "/bin/sh", 0)

Making a System Call in x86_64 (64-bit) Assembly

x86_64 (64-bit)

Compiled from Linux 4.14.0 headers.

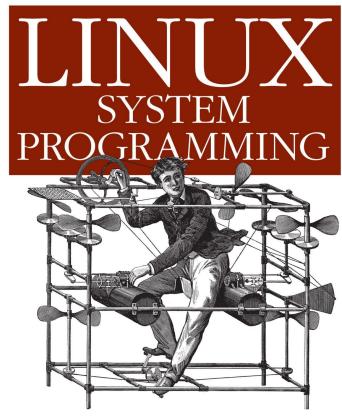
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0	read	man/ cs/	0x00	unsigned int fd	char *buf	size_t count	-		
1	write	man/ cs/	0x01	unsigned int fd	const char *buf	size_t count	-	i.e.	-
2	open	man/ cs/	0x02	const char *filename	int flags	umode_t mode	5	ii.	ā
3	close	man/ cs/	0x03	unsigned int fd		₹.	-	17.	-
4	stat	man/ cs/	0x04	const char *filename	struct old_kernel_stat *statbuf	B	S	8	-
5	fstat	man/ cs/	0x05	unsigned int fd	struct old_kernel_stat *statbuf	-	-	1.00	-
6	Istat	man/ cs/	0x06	const char *filename	struct old_kernel_stat *statbuf	E	8	(8)	*
7	poll	man/ cs/	0x07	struct pollfd *ufds	unsigned int nfds	int timeout	-		-
8	lseek	man/ cs/	0x08	unsigned int fd	off_t offset	unsigned int whence	-	1.5	
9	mmap	man/ cs/	0x09	?	?	?	?	?	?
10	mprotect	man/ cs/	0x0a	unsigned long start	size_t len	unsigned long prot	-	is.	
11	munmap	man/ cs/	0x0b	unsigned long addr	size_t len		-		
12	brk	man/ cs/	0x0c	unsigned long brk		-	-	(e)	-
13	rt_sigaction	man/ cs/	0x0d	int	const struct sigaction *	struct sigaction *	size_t		-

https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromiumos/docs/+/master/constants/syscalls.md#x86-32_bit

Making a System Call in x86_64 (64-bit) Assembly

NR	syscall name	references	%rax	arg0 (%rdi)	arg1 (%rsi)	arg2 (%rdx)	arg3 (%r10)	arg4 (%r8)	arg5 (%r9)
59	execve	man/ cs/	0x3b	const char *filename	const char *const *argv	const char *const *envp	(4)	-	æ

push rax xor rdx, rdx xor rsi, rsi mov rbx, '/bin//sh' push rbx push rsp pop rdi mov al, 59 syscall



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Background Knowledge: Piping

Channels of Communication for Linux Process

Every process in Linux has three initial, standard channels of communication:

- Standard Input (stdin, fd=0) is the channel through which the process takes input. For example, your shell uses Standard Input to read the commands that you input.
- Standard Output (stdout, fd=1) is the channel through which processes output normal data, such as the flag when it is printed to you in previous challenges or the output of utilities such as *ls*.
- Standard Error (stderr, fd=2) is the channel through which processes output error details. For example, if you mistype a command, the shell will output, over standard error, that this command does not exist.

Examples

```
Redirecting output > or 1>
echo hi > asdf echo hi 1> asdf
```

Appending output >> echo hi >> asdf

Redirecting errors 2> /challenge/run 2> errors.log

```
Redirecting input < rev < messagefile
```

Channels of Communication for Linux Process

• Process can also take input from command line arguments

Is -al

cat /flag

cat 1.txt 2.txt 3.txt

Pipe

The | (pipe) operator. Standard output from the command to the left of the pipe will be connected to (piped into) the standard input of the command to the right of the pipe.

echo hello-world | wc -c

Background Knowledge:

Environment and Shell Variables

Environment and Shell Variables

Environment and Shell variables are a set of dynamic **named values**, stored within the system that are used by applications launched in shells.

KEY=value KEY="Some other value" KEY=value1:value2

The names of the variables are case-sensitive (UPPER CASE). Multiple values must be separated by the colon: character. There is no space around the equals = symbol.

Environment and Shell Variables

Environment variables are variables that are available system-wide and are inherited by all spawned child processes and shells.

Shell variables are variables that apply only to the current shell instance. Each shell such as zsh and bash, has its own set of internal shell variables.

Common Environment Variables

- USER The current logged in user.
- HOME The home directory of the current user.
- EDITOR The default file editor to be used. This is the editor that will be used when you type edit in your terminal.
- SHELL The path of the current user's shell, such as bash or zsh.
- LOGNAME The name of the current user.
- PATH A list of directories to be searched when executing commands.
- LANG The current locales settings.
- TERM The current terminal emulation.
- MAIL Location of where the current user's mail is stored.

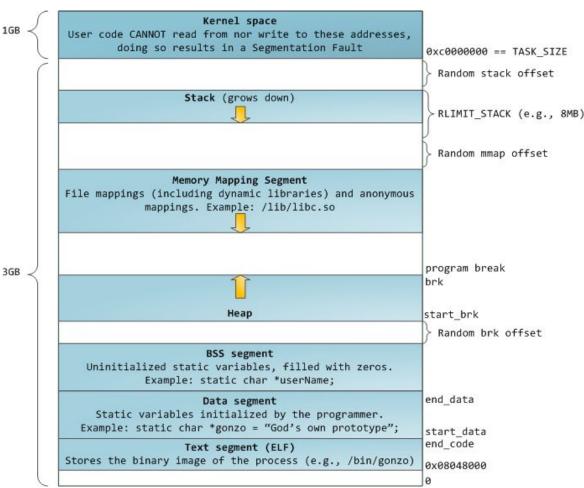
Commands

env – The command allows you to run another program in a custom environment without modifying the current one. When used without an argument it will print a list of the current environment variables. printenv – The command prints all or the specified environment variables.

set – The command sets or unsets shell variables. When used without an argument it will print a list of all variables including environment and shell variables, and shell functions.

unset – The command deletes shell and environment variables.export – The command sets environment variables

The environment variables live towards the top of the stack, together with command line arguments.



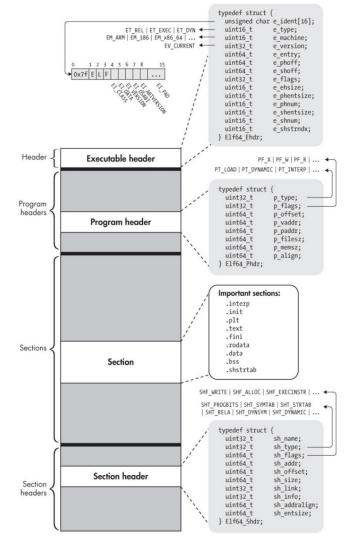
Executable and Linkable Format (ELF)

Background Knowledge:

ELF Files

The **Executable** and **Linkable Format** (**ELF**) is a common standard file format for *executable files*, *object code*, *shared libraries*, and *core dumps*. Filename extension *none*, *.axf*, *.bin*, *.elf*, *.o*, *.prx*, *.puff*, *.ko*, *.mod and .so*

Contains the program and its data. Describes how the program should be loaded (program/segment headers). Contains metadata describing program components (section headers).



- Executable (a.out), object files (.o), shared libraries (.a), even core dumps.
- Four types of components: an executable header, a series of (optional) program headers, a number of sections, and a series of (optional) section headers, one per section.

Executable Header

```
typedef struct {
                               /* Magic number and other info
  unsigned char e_ident[16];
                                                                  */0x7F ELF ..
 uint16 t
                               /* Object file type Executable, obj, dynamic lib
              e type;
 uint16 t
               e machine;
                               /* Architecture x86-64. Arm
                               /* Object file version
 uint32 t e version;
                               /* Entry point virtual address
 uint64 t
              e entry:
              e phoff;
                               /* Program header table file offset */
 uint64 t
 uint64 t
              e shoff;
                               /* Section header table file offset */
              e flags;
                               /* Processor-specific flags
 uint32 t
 uint16 t
              e ehsize;
                               /* ELF header size in bytes
 uint16 t
               e phentsize;
                               /* Program header table entry size
                               /* Program header table entry count */
 uint16 t
               e phnum;
               e shentsize;
                               /* Section header table entry size */
 uint16 t
 uint16 t
               e shnum;
                               /* Section header table entry count */
               e shstrndx;
                               /* Section header string table index*/
  uint16 t
} Elf64 Ehdr;
```

```
→ add readelf -h /bin/ls
ELF Header:
 Magic:
         7f 45 4c 46 02 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  Class:
  Data:
  Version:
  OS/ABI:
  ABI Version:
  Type:
  Machine:
  Version:
  Entry point address:
```

Start of program headers:

Section header string table index: 29

Start of section headers:

Size of program headers:

Number of program headers:

Number of section headers:

Size of section headers:

Size of this header:

Flags:

ELF64

0x1

0x0

13

30

0x67d0

64 (bytes)

56 (bytes)

64 (bytes)

1 (current)

UNIX - System V

2's complement, little endian

Advanced Micro Devices X86-64

DYN (Shared object file)

140224 (bytes into file)

64 (bytes into file)

Sections

The code and data in an ELF binary are logically divided into contiguous non-overlapping chunks called sections. The structure of each section varies depending on the contents.

The division into sections is intended to provide a convenient organization for use by the *linker*.

Section Header Format

```
typedef struct {
  uint32 t sh name;
                              /* Section name (string tbl index)
  uint32 t sh type;
                               /* Section type
                                                                         */
                              /* Section flags
  uint64 t sh flags;
                                                                         *
  uint64 t sh addr;
                               /* Section virtual addr at execution
  uint64 t sh offset;
                              /* Section file offset
  uint64 t sh size:
                              /* Section size in bytes
                                                                         *
  uint32 t sh link;
                              /* Link to another section
                                                                         *
  uint32 t sh info;
                              /* Additional section information
                                                                              SHF_WRITE | SHF_ALLOC | SHF_EXECINSTR | ...
  uint64 t sh addralign;
                              /* Section alignment
                                                                              SHT PROGBITS | SHT_SYMTAB | SHT_STRTAB
                              /* Entry size if section holds table */
  uint64_t sh_entsize;
                                                                               SHT RELA | SHT DYNSYM | SHT DYNAMIC | ...
} Elf64 Shdr;
                                                                                  typedef struct {
                                                                                   uint32 t
                                                                                               sh name:
                                                                                   uint32 t
                                                                                               sh type:
                                                                                   uint64 t
                                                                                               sh flags;
                                                                                               sh addr;
                                                                                   uint64 t
                                                                                               sh offset;
                                                                                   uint64 t
```

Each section is described by its section header.

```
readelf -S a.out
```

uint64_t sh_size;
uint32_t sh_link;
uint32_t sh_info;
uint64_t sh_addralign;
uint64_t sh_entsize;
} Elf64_Shdr;

sh_flags

SHF_WRITE: the section is writable at runtime.

SHF_ALLOC: the contents of the section are / to be loaded into virtual memory when executing the binary.

SHF_EXECINSTR: the section contains executable instructions.

```
SHF_WRITE | SHF_ALLOC | SHF_EXECINSTR | ...
SHT_PROGBITS | SHT_SYMTAB | SHT_STRTAB | SHT_RELA | SHT_DYNSYM | SHT_DYNAMIC | ...
      typedef struct {
         uint32 t
                          sh name;
         uint32 t
                          sh type;
         uint64 t
                          sh flags;
         uint64 t
                          sh addr;
         uint64 t
                          sh offset;
                          sh size;
         uint64 t
         uint32 t
                          sh link;
         uint32 t
                          sh info;
                          sh addralign;
         uint64 t
                          sh entsize;
         uint64 t
        Elf64 Shdr;
```

```
add readelf -S add
There are 31 section headers, starting at offset 0x385c:
Section Headers:
  [Nr] Name
                                         Addr
                                                   Off
                                                          Size
                                                                ES Flg Lk Inf Al
                         Type
  [0]
                         NULL
                                          00000000 000000 000000 00
  [ 1] .interp
                         PROGBITS
                                          000001b4 0001b4 000013 00
                                                                         0
                                                                             0
                                                                               1
   2] .note.gnu.build-i NOTE
                                          000001c8 0001c8 000024 00
                                                                         0
                                                                             0
                                                                               4
   3] .note.gnu.propert NOTE
                                          000001ec 0001ec 00001c 00
                                                                         0
                                                                             0
   4] .note.ABI-tag
                                          00000208 000208 000020 00
                                                                         0
                                                                             0
                         NOTE
   5] .gnu.hash
                         GNU_HASH
                                          00000228 000228 000020 04
                                                                      A 6
                                                                             0
   6] .dynsym
                         DYNSYM
                                          00000248 000248 0000a0 10
                                                                      A 7
                                                                             1 4
  [7]
       .dynstr
                         STRTAB
                                          000002e8 0002e8 0000bb 00
                                                                         0
                                                                             0
   8] .gnu.version
                         VERSYM
                                          000003a4 0003a4 000014 02
                                                                         6
                                                                             0
  [ 9] .gnu.version r
                         VERNEED
                                          000003b8 0003b8 000040 00
  [10] .rel.dyn
                         REL
                                          000003f8 0003f8 000040 08
                                                                             0
  [11] .rel.plt
                                                                            24
                                                                     AI 6
                         REL
                                          00000438 000438 000020 08
  [12] .init
                         PROGBITS
                                          00001000 001000 000024 00
                                                                     AX
                                                                         0
                                                                             0 4
  [13] .plt
                         PROGBITS
                                          00001030 001030 000050 04
                                                                     AX
                                                                         0
                                                                             0 16
                                          00001080 001080 000010 10
                                                                     AX 0
  [14] .plt.got
                         PROGBITS
                                                                             0 16
  [15] .plt.sec
                         PROGBITS
                                          00001090 001090 000040 10
                                                                     AX 0
                                                                             0 16
                                          000010d0 0010d0 000259 00
                                                                     AX
  [16] .text
                         PROGBITS
                                                                             0 16
  [17] .fini
                         PROGBITS
                                          0000132c 00132c 000018 00
                                                                     AX 0
                                                                             0 4
  [18] .rodata
                         PROGBITS
                                          00002000 002000 000025 00
                                                                      Α
                                                                             0 4
                                                                         0
  [19] .eh frame hdr
                         PROGBITS
                                          00002028 002028 000054 00
                                                                             0
                                                                         0
                                                                               4
  [20] .eh frame
                         PROGBITS
                                          0000207c 00207c 00014c 00
                                                                             0
  [21] .init array
                         INIT ARRAY
                                         00003ed0 002ed0 000004 04
                                                                             0
  [22] .fini array
                                          00003ed4 002ed4 000004 04
                         FINI ARRAY
                                                                             0
  [23] .dynamic
                         DYNAMIC
                                          00003ed8 002ed8 0000f8 08
                                                                             0
                                                                               4
  [24] .got
                                          00003fd0 002fd0 000030 04
                                                                     WA
                         PROGBITS
                                                                         0
                                                                             0
                                                                               4
  [25] .data
                                          00004000 003000 000008 00
                                                                     WA
                                                                             0
                         PROGBITS
  [26] .bss
                         NOBITS
                                          00004008 003008 000004 00
                                                                             0
  [27] .comment
                         PROGBITS
                                          00000000 003008 00002a 01
                                                                     MS 0
                                                                             0 1
  [28] .symtab
                         SYMTAB
                                          00000000 003034 000490 10
                                                                            47 4
  [29] .strtab
                         STRTAB
                                          00000000 0034c4 00027d 00
                                                                             0
                                                                               1
  [30] .shstrtab
                                                                             0 1
                         STRTAB
                                         00000000 003741 000118 00
                                                                         0
Key to Flags:
  W (write), A (alloc), X (execute), M (merge), S (strings), I (info),
  L (link order), O (extra OS processing required), G (group), T (TLS),
  C (compressed), x (unknown), o (OS specific), E (exclude),
  p (processor specific)
```

readelf -S a.out

Sections

.init: executable code that performs initialization tasks and needs to run before any other code in the binary is executed.

.fini: code that runs after the main program completes.

.text: where the main code of the program resides.

Sections

.rodata section, which stands for "read-only data," is dedicated to storing constant values. Because it stores constant values, .rodata is not writable.

The default values of initialized variables are stored in the .data section, which is marked as writable since the values of variables may change at runtime.

the .bss section reserves space for uninitialized variables. The name historically stands for "block started by symbol," referring to the reserving of blocks of memory for (symbolic) variables.

Lazy Binding (.plt, .got, .got.plt Sections)

Binding at Load Time: When a binary is loaded into a process for execution, the dynamic linker resolves references to functions located in shared libraries. The addresses of shared functions were not known at compile time.

In reality - Lazy Binding: many of the relocations are typically not done right away when the binary is loaded but are deferred until the first reference to the unresolved location is actually made.

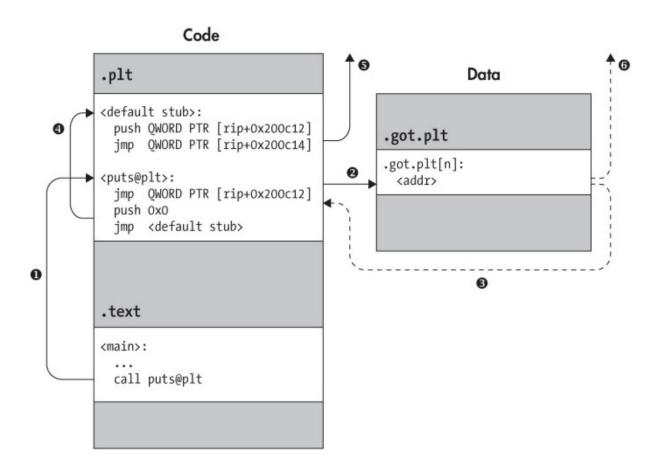
Lazy Binding (.plt, .got, .got.plt Sections)

Lazy binding in Linux ELF binaries is implemented with the help of two special sections, called the Procedure Linkage Table (.plt) and the Global Offset Table (.got).

.plt is a code section that contains executable code. The PLT consists entirely of stubs of a well-defined format, dedicated to directing calls from the .text section to the appropriate library location.

.got.plt is a data section.

Dynamically Resolving a Library Function Using the PLT



Example: Debug misc/lazyb

```
(< libc_start_main+245>:
 AX: 0x5655701e ("Second call to printf.")
 SI: 0xf7f99000 --> 0x1ead6c
 SP: 0xffffc61c ("\fbUv\036pUv\344\306\377\377\354\306\377\377\345aUVP\306\377\377")
 0x56556060 <__cxa_finalize@plt>: endbr32
 0x5655606a <_cxa_finalize@plt+10>: nop WORD PTR [eax+eax*1+0x0]
 0x56556080 <__libc_start_main@plt>: endbr32
 0x56556084 <__libc_start_main@plt+4>: jmp DWORD PTR [ebx+0x10]
0000| 0xffffc61c ("\fbuv\036puv\344\306\377\377\354\306\377\377\345auvP\306\377\377")
0008| 0xffffc624 --> 0xffffc6e4 --> 0xffffc893 ("/home/ziming/Dropbox/myTeaching/Software Security UB 2021 Fall/code/lazybinding/lazyb")
     0xffffc628 --> 0xffffc6ec --> 0xffffc8e9 ("COLORTERM=truecolor")
 AX: 0x5655701e ("Second call to printf.")
 I: 0xf7f99000 --> 0x1ead6c
 SP: 0xffffc61c ("\fbUv\036pUv\344\306\377\377\354\306\377\377\345aUVP\306\377\377")
  0x56556064 < cxa finalize@plt+4>: jmp DMORD PTR [ebx-0x10
 0x5655606a <__cxa_finalize@plt+10>: nop WORD PTR [eax+eax*1+0x0]
0x56556080 < libc start main@plt>: endbr32
 0x56556084 < libc start main@plt+4>: jmp DWORD PTR [ebx+0x10]
 0x5655608a < _libc_start_main@plt+10>: nop WORD PTR [eax+eax*1+0x0]
     0xf7e1fcd5 <__GI__IO_puts+5>: mov ebp,esp
     0xf7e1fcd7 <__GI__IO_puts+7>: push edi
0000| 0xffffc61c ("\fbuv\036puv\344\306\377\377\354\306\377\377\377\345aUVP\306\377\377\377")
     0xffffc624 --> 0xffffc6e4 --> 0xffffc893 ("/home/ziming/Dropbox/myTeaching/Software Security UB 2021 Fall/code/lazybinding/lazyb")
    0xffffc628 --> 0xffffc6ec --> 0xffffc8e9 ("COLORTERM=truecolor")
0xffffc62c --> 0x565561e5 (<main+24>: add _ebx.0x2e1b)
```

GDB Cheatsheet:

https://darkdust.net/files/GDB%20 Cheat%20Sheet.pdf

Section View (Section Header) vs. Segment View (Program Header)

The program header table provides a segment view of the binary, as opposed to the section view provided by the section header table.

The section view of an ELF binary is meant for static linking purposes.

The segment view is used by the operating system and dynamic linker when loading an ELF into a process for execution to locate the relevant code and data and decide what to load into virtual memory.

Segments are simply a bunch of sections bundled together.

Program Header Format

```
typedef struct {
  uint32 t p type; /* Segment type
 uint32 t p flags; /* Segment flags
 uint64 t p offset; /* Segment file offset
                                                 *
 uint64 t p vaddr: /* Segment virtual address
                                                 */
 uint64 t p paddr; /* Segment physical address
                                                 */
 uint64 t p filesz; /* Segment size in file
                                                 *
 uint64 t p memsz; /* Segment size in memory
                                                 */
  uint64 t p align; /* Segment alignment
                                                 *
} Elf64 Phdr;
```

Each section is described by its section header.

```
readelf -l a.out
```

```
PF_X | PF_W | PF_R | ... ◆
PT_LOAD | PT_DYNAMIC | PT_INTERP | ... +
 typedef struct {
   uint32 t
                   p type;
   uint32 t
                   p flags;
   uint64 t
                   p offset:
   uint64 t
                   p vaddr;
   uint64 t
                  p paddr;
   uint64 t
                   p filesz;
   uint64 t
                  p memsz;
   uint64 t
                   p align;
 } Elf64 Phdr;
```

```
Elf file type is DYN (Shared object file)
Entry point 0x1160
There are 12 program headers, starting at offset 52
Program Headers:
                         VirtAddr
                                    PhysAddr
                                                FileSiz MemSiz Flq Aliqn
 Type
                 Offset
 PHDR
                0x000034 0x00000034 0x00000034 0x00180 0x00180 R
                                                                    0x4
 INTERP
                0x0001b4 0x000001b4 0x000001b4 0x00013 0x00013 R
                                                                    0x1
     [Requesting program interpreter: /lib/ld-linux.so.2]
                0x000000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00458 0x00458 R
 LOAD
                                                                    0x1000
 LOAD
                0x001000 0x00001000 0x00001000 0x00344 0x00344 R E 0x1000
                0x002000 0x00002000 0x00002000 0x001c8 0x001c8 R
 LOAD
                                                                    0x1000
 LOAD
                0x002ed0 0x00003ed0 0x00003ed0 0x00138 0x0013c RW
                                                                    0x1000
 DYNAMIC
                0x002ed8 0x00003ed8 0x00003ed8 0x000f8 0x000f8 RW
                                                                    0x4
 NOTE
                0x0001c8 0x000001c8 0x000001c8 0x00060 0x00060 R
                                                                    0x4
                0x0001ec 0x000001ec 0x000001ec 0x0001c 0x0001c R
 GNU PROPERTY
                                                                    0x4
 GNU EH FRAME
                0x002028 0x00002028 0x00002028 0x00054 0x00054 R
                                                                    0x4
 GNU STACK
                0x000000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00000 0x00000 RW
                                                                    0x10
 GNU RELRO
                0x002ed0 0x00003ed0 0x00003ed0 0x00130 0x00130 R
                                                                    0x1
Section to Segment mapping:
 Segment Sections...
  00
  01
         .interp
  02
          interp .note.gnu.build-id .note.gnu.property .note.ABI-tag .gnu.hash .dynsym .dynstr .gnu.version .gnu.version r .rel.dyn .rel.plt
  03
          .init .plt .plt.got .plt.sec .text .fini
  04
          .rodata .eh frame hdr .eh frame
  05
          .init array .fini array .dynamic .got .data .bss
         .dynamic
  06
  07
          .note.gnu.build-id .note.gnu.property .note.ABI-tag
  08
         .note.gnu.property
  09
          .eh frame hdr
  10
         .init array .fini array .dynamic .got
  11
  add
01 0:zsh*
```

→ add readelf -l add

Manual Binary Analysis Tools

Background Knowledge:

Tools for this class

file readelf strings nm objdump **GDB** [optional] IDA Pro [optional] ghidra [optional] Binary Ninja

```
Start gdb using:
gdb <binary>
Pass initial commands for gdb through a file
gdb <binary> -x <initfile>
To start the program and breakpoint at main()
start <argv>
To start the program and breakpoint at _start
starti <argv>
To run the program without breakpoint
r <argv>
Use another progrom's output as stdin in GDB:
r <<< \$(python2 -c "print '\x12\x34'*5")
```

```
Set breakpoint at address:
b *0x80000000
Set breakpoint at beginning of a function:
b main
b <filename:line number>
b e number>
Disassemble 10 instructions from an address:
x/10i 0x80000000
Exam 15 dword (w) from an address; show hex (x):
x/15wx 0x80000000
Exam 3 qword (g) from an address; show hex (x):
x/3gx 0x80000000
```

To show breakpoints info b

To remove breakpoints clear <function name> clear *<instruction address> clear <filename:line number> clear clear clear <number>

Use "examine" or "x" command

x/32xw <memory location> to see memory contents at memory location, showing 32 hexadecimal words x/5s <memory location> to show 5 strings (null terminated) at a particular memory location x/10i <memory location> to show 10 instructions at particular memory location

See registers info reg

Step an instruction si

GDB Script

Use "examine" or "x" command

x/32xw <memory location> to see memory contents at memory location, showing 32 hexadecimal words x/5s <memory location> to show 5 strings (null terminated) at a particular memory location x/10i <memory location> to show 10 instructions at particular memory location

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Shell Cheat Sheet

Run a program and use another program's output as a parameter program \$(python2 -c "print '\x12\x34'*5")

Reading

1. https://iq.thc.org/how-does-linux-start-a-process