Finale

CS 2130: Computer Systems and Organization 1 December 5, 2022 Fault

Last day

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 - 5pts Extra Credit on Final Exam

Pig Latin example

Common Memory Problems (from reading)

- Memory leak
- Uninitialized memory
- Accidental cast-to-pointer
- Wrong use of 'sizeof'
- Unary operator precedence mistakes
- \cdot Use after free

- \cdot Stack buffer overflow
- Heap buffer overflow
- Global buffer overflow
- Use after return
- Uninitialized pointer
- \cdot Use after scope

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Anytime you can modify memory the programmer did not expect you to be able to modify, there's something you can do to give yourself power or rights the programmer didn't mean to give you **Vulnerability**: a program for which something like this could happen (security holes)

- Ex: stack buffer overflow possibility
- Not necessarily malicious (like when we talked about backdoors)

Exploit: a way to use a vulnerability or backdoor that has been created

• Ex: the magic long word to type into our program

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What should you do when you find a vulnerability?

Good practices when finding a vulnerability:

- 1. Tell the owner
- 2. Wait (a reasonable amount of time for a fix)
- 3. Publish





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- Concluded with C (how it compiles and connects with Assembly)

Thanks for a great semester!