Lecture 11

PWNing 1: Basics

Today

- What is pwn category?
- What went wrong here?
- How to get a shell?

What is “pwn”?

```
* Welcome to CityPower Grid Rerouting *
Authorised Users only!
New users MUST notify Sys/Ops.

login:
```

```
EDITV1 sshnuke
rcr ebx, 1
bsr ecx, ecx
shrd ebx, edi, CL
```

```
80/tcp      open
81/tcp      open        http
```

```
# nmap -v -sS -O 10.2.2.2
Starting nmap V. 2.54BETA25
Insufficient responses for TCP sequencing (3), OS detection may be less
accurate
Interesting ports on 10.2.2.2:
(The 1539 ports scanned but not shown below are in state: closed)
Port        State       Service
22/tcp      open        ssh

No exact OS matches for host

Nmap run completed -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanneds
# sshnuke 10.2.2.2 -rootpw="Z10N0101"
Connecting to 10.2.2.2:ssh ... successful.
Attempting to exploit SSHv1 CRC32 ... successful.
Reseting root password to "Z10N0101".
System open: Access Level <9>
# ssh 10.2.2.2 -l root
root@10.2.2.2's password:
```

RTF CONTROL

ACCESS GRANTED

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Pwn

- Flag is hidden behind vulnerable service.
- We usually need to:
  - Find vulnerability
  - Make an exploit
  - Use it to get a flag (sometimes by getting access to shell)

```
b33f@Dev:~$ python Desktop/bof.py
[+] Opening connection to pwnable.kr on port 9000: Done
[*] Switching to interactive mode
$
$ id
uid=1008(bof) gid=1008(bof) groups=1008(bof)
$ ls
bof
bof.c
flag
log
log2
super.pl
$ cat flag
```

What’s wrong with this service?

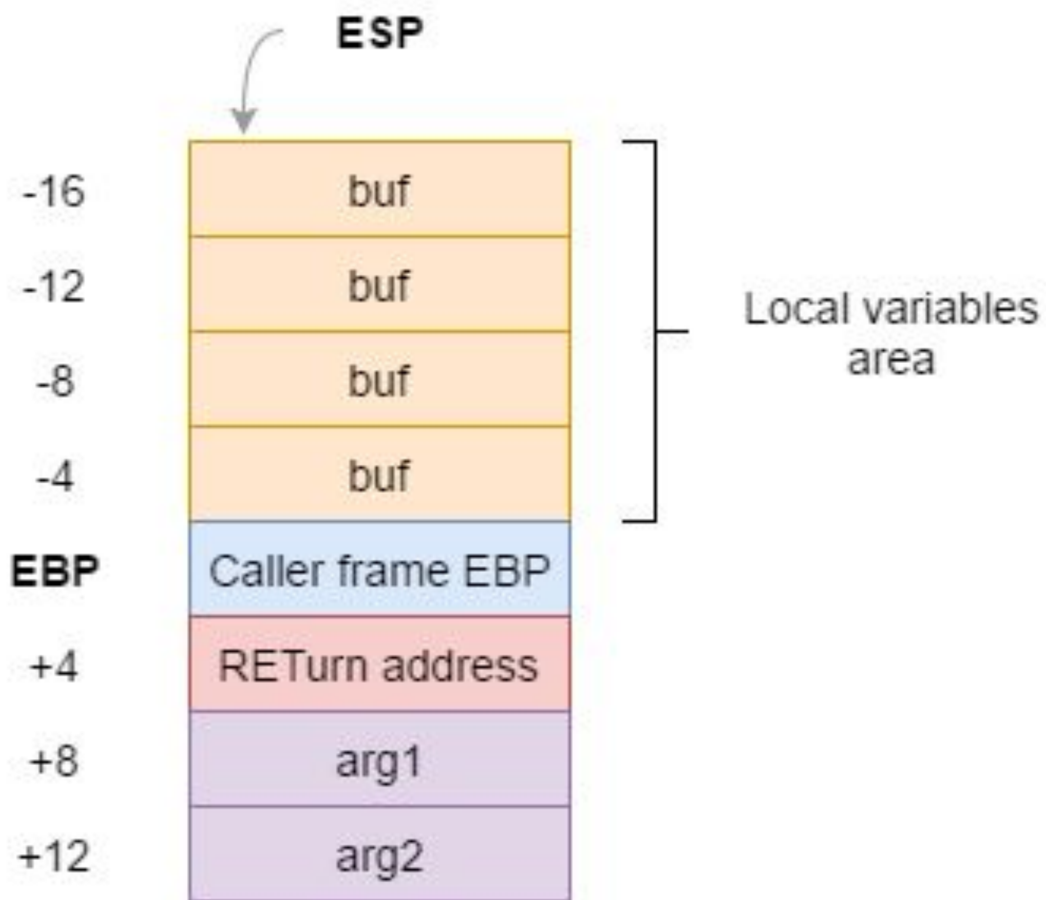
Vulnerability types

- Buffer overflow
- Use-after-free
- Double free
- Format string attack
- Integer problems: overflow/underflow, signedness
- Race conditions
- ...

How to get a shell?

Stack buffer overflow

```
int readArgument(int arg1, int arg2)
{
    char buf[16];
    scanf("%s", buf);
    // ...
}
```


ESP
-16
buf
-12
buf
-8
buf
-4
buf
Local variables area
EBP
Caller frame EBP
+4
RETurn address
+8
arg1
+12
arg2

```
lea     eax, [ebp-16]
push    eax
push    addr "%s"
call    scanf
add     esp, 8
// ...
mov     esp, ebp
pop     ebp
ret
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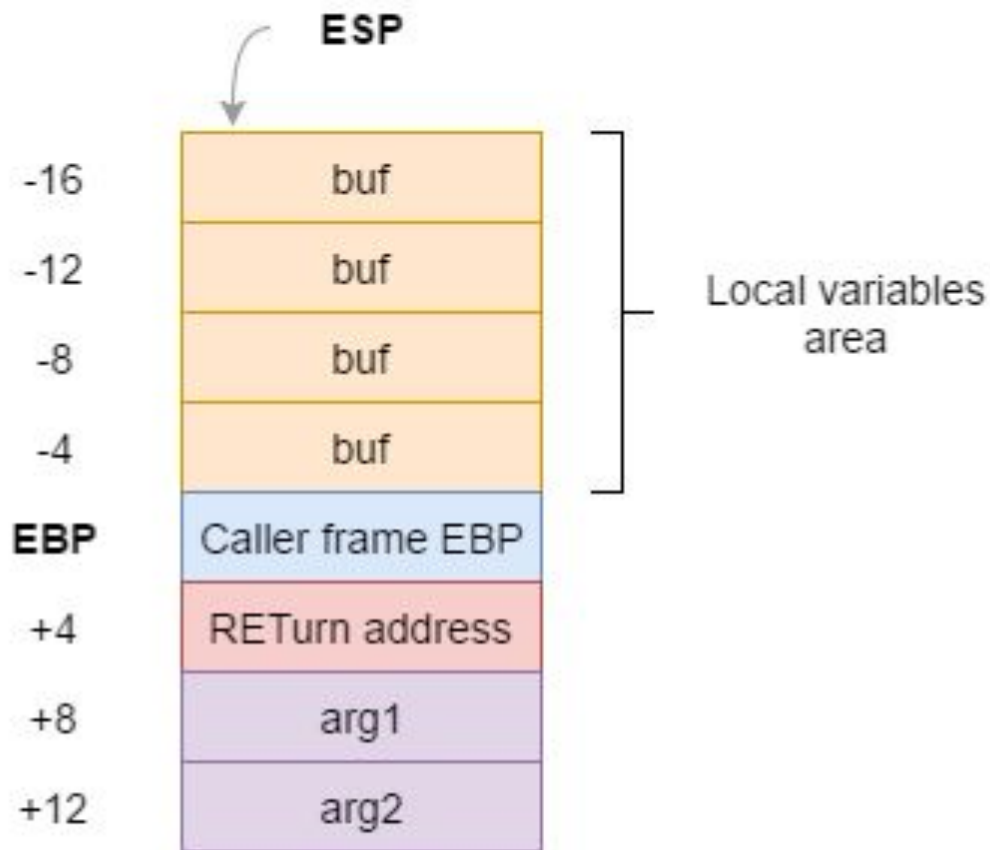

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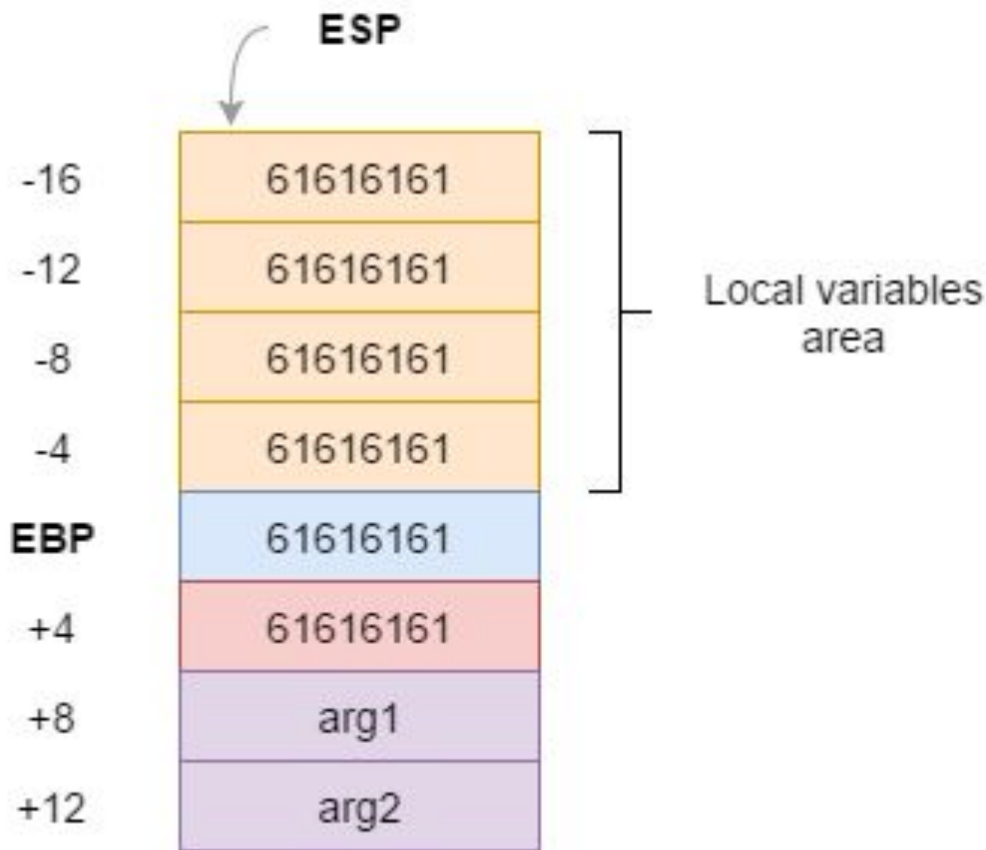

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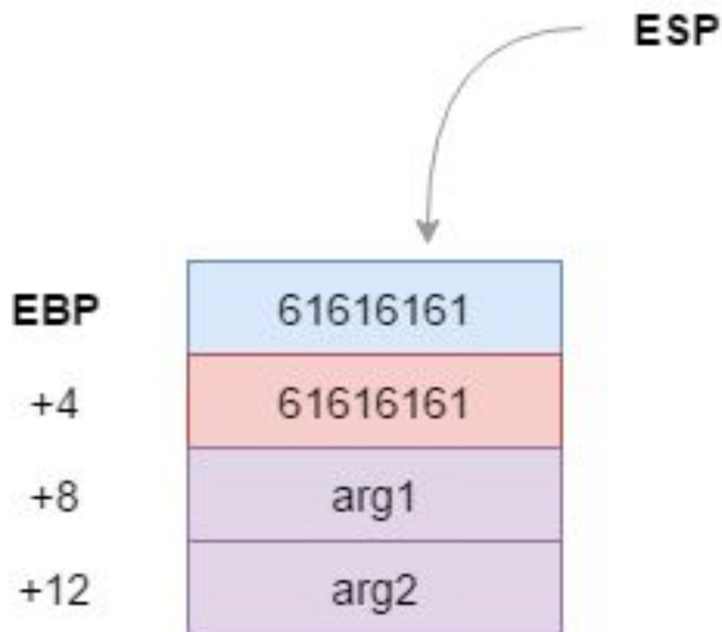

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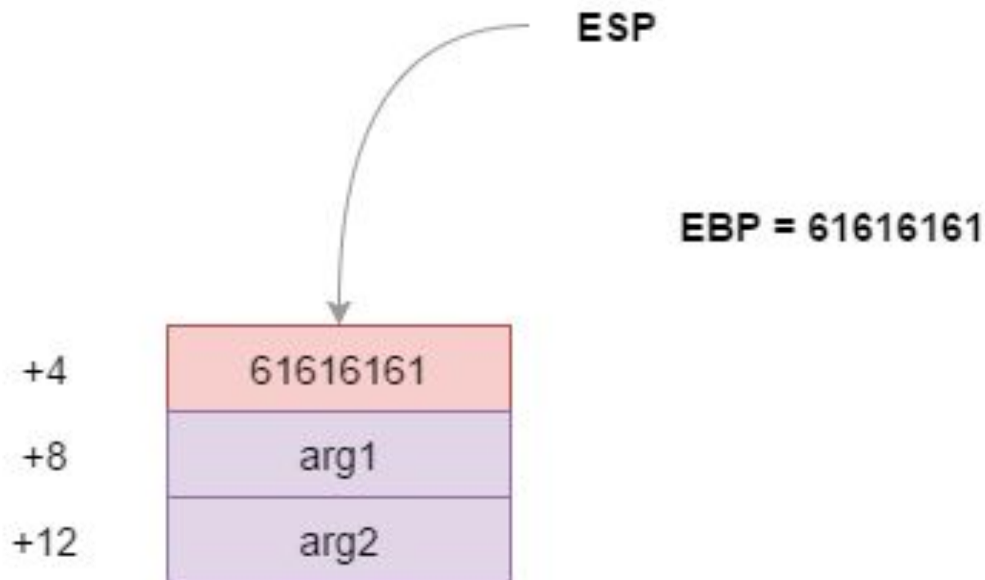

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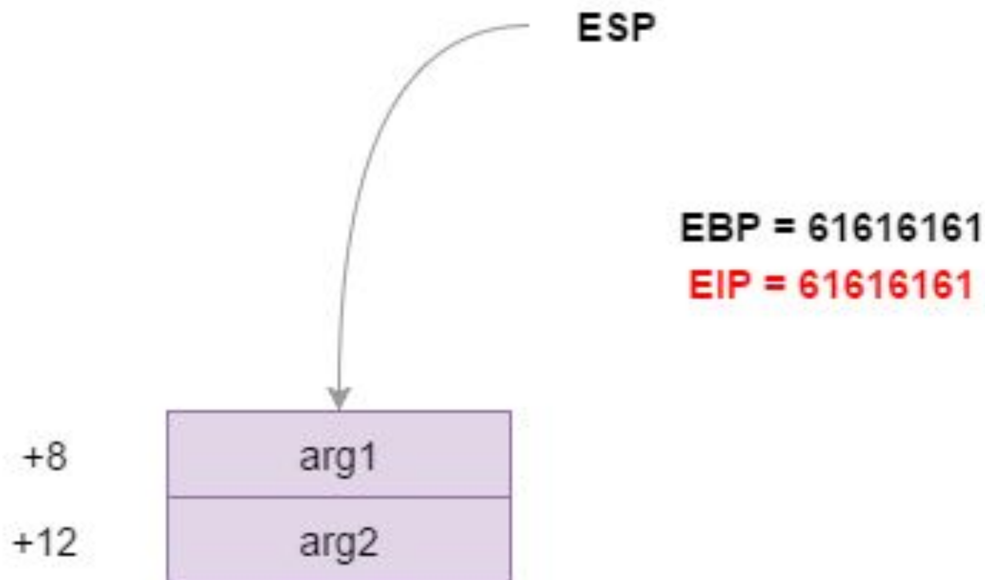

Shellcode anatomy

```
execve("/bin//sh", ["/bin//sh"], nullptr)
```

Shellcode anatomy

```
xor    edx,edx           // envp nullptr
xor    eax,eax
push   eax               NULL-byte
push   0x68732f2f        ("//sh")
push   0x6e69622f        ("/bin")
mov    ebx, esp
push   eax                // NULL-byte
push   ebx                // filename
mov    ecx, esp           // argv address
mov    al, 0x0B           // 0x11 - execve
int    0x80
```

Shellcode anatomy

“My exploit runs locally, but doesn’t work on remote. Hint plz”

ASLR

- Address Space Layout Randomization
- Randomized position of basic process areas:
  - Stack/heap
  - Libraries (libc)
  - Executable base
    (for Position Independent Execs - PIE)

ASLR

- Usually turned off under GDB.
- But still.. stack position is difficult to predict
- What we can do?
  - Partial return address overwrite
    (page granularity, stack alignment)
  - NOP slides

DEP

- Data Execution Prevention
- Prevents execution of code from non-executable regions (e.g. stack…)
- Support by hardware (NX-bit on memory pages)
- Apart from CPU support, binary must be NX-enabled to enable this feature.

checksec

```
[*] '/home/psrok1/ctf/plaidctf/zamboni_b5c1b58ada23773e86306d2374ce871f'
    Arch:     amd64-64-little
    RELRO:    Partial RELRO
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```

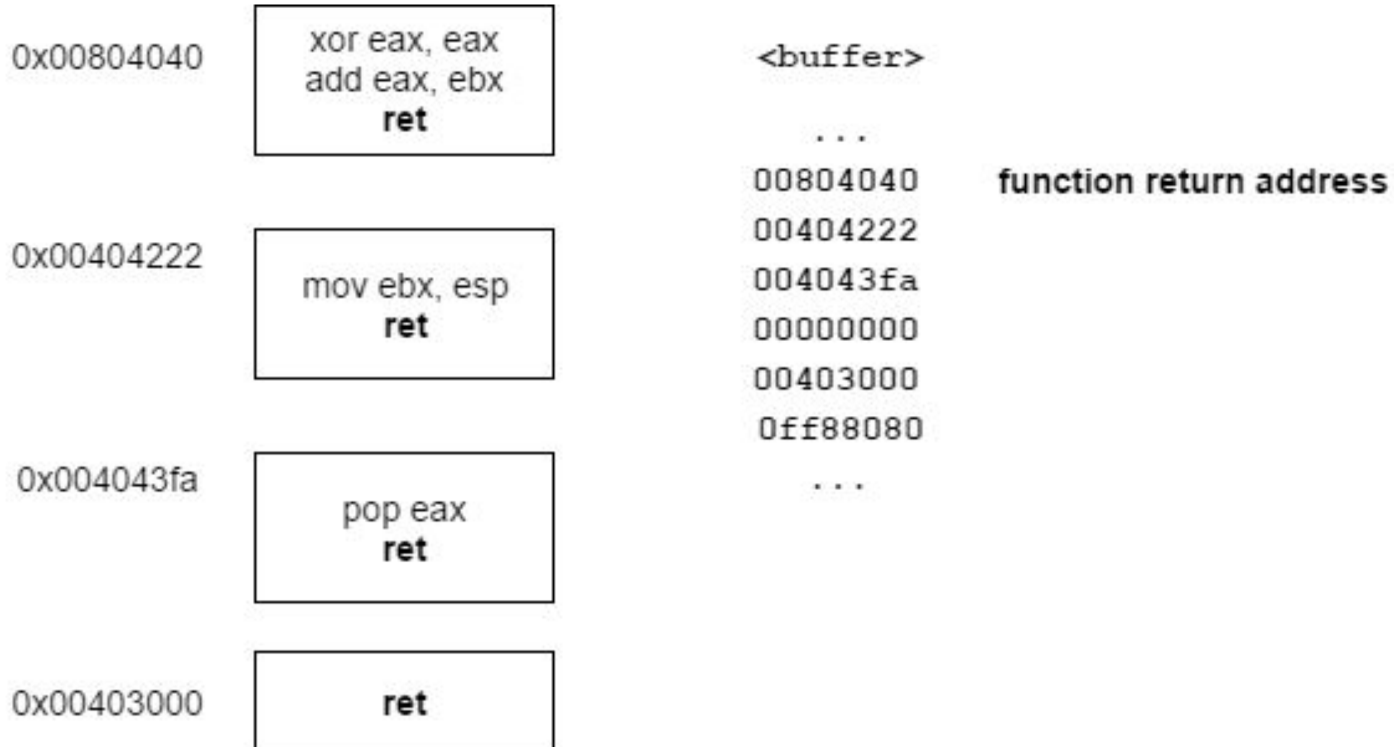
How to deal with DEP?

- Now, we’re unable to run code from stack.
- But hey.. we have lots of executable code in process virtual memory (own code, libraries)
- We need to use some **gadgets** in our **ROP chain**

ROP

- Return Oriented Programming
- We can build our shellcode with parts of code, ended with RET instruction (**gadgets**)

ROP



ROPgadgets

```
psrok1@ubuntu:~/ctf/plaidctf$ ROPgadget --binary zamboni_b5c1b58ada23773e86306d2374ce871f | head
Gadgets information
============================================================
0x0000000000414f48 : adc al, 0 ; add bl, ch ; add ecx, dword ptr [rax - 0x77] ; ret
0x0000000000416eb2 : adc al, 0 ; add byte ptr [rax - 0x77], cl ; ret
0x0000000000416d81 : adc al, 0 ; add byte ptr [rax - 0x77], cl ; ret 0x8d48
0x000000000041a7ca : adc al, 0x11 ; add byte ptr [rax], al ; nop ; leave ; ret
0x000000000042485c : adc al, 0x4b ; add byte ptr [rax], al ; ret 0xff94
0x0000000000415146 : adc al, byte ptr [rax] ; add bl, ch ; add ecx, dword ptr [rax - 0x77] ; ret
```

In tested binary: 1855 gadgets found

+ lots in libc etc.

Return-to-libc

- We should add to our ROP chain some useful libc calls (call to system() or whatever we want)
- But... where is libc?

GOT & PLT

```
10 .init          0000001a  0000000000400510  0000000000400510  00000510  2**2
                  CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, CODE
11 .plt           000000a0  0000000000400530  0000000000400530  00000530  2**4
                  CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, CODE
12 .text          00002772  00000000004005d0  00000000004005d0  000005d0  2**4
                  CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, CODE
21 .got           00000008  00000000006032a0  00000000006032a0  000032a0  2**3
                  CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
22 .got.plt       00000060  00000000006032a8  00000000006032a8  000032a8  2**3
                  CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
23 .data          00000010  0000000000603308  0000000000603308  00003308  2**3
                  CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
24 .bss           00000038  0000000000603318  0000000000603318  00003318  2**3
                  ALLOC
25 .comment       00000047  0000000000000000  0000000000000000  00003318  2**0
```

GOT & PLT

- .got (Global Offset Table)
  - table of addresses to data section
  - used for simple relocation of static data (relative location of GOT is well-known)
- .plt (Procedure Linkage Table)
- .got.plt (GOT for PLT - part of GOT used by PLT)

Lazy resolution

```
=> 0x804841f <main+20>:    push    $0x80484c0
   0x8048424 <main+25>:    call    0x80482e0 <printf@plt>
   0x8048429 <main+30>:    add      $0x10,%esp
   0x804842c <main+33>:    mov      $0x0,%eax
   0x8048431 <main+38>:    mov      -0x4(%ebp),%ecx
   0x8048434 <main+41>:    leave
   0x8048435 <main+42>:    lea      -0x4(%ecx),%esp
   0x8048438 <main+45>:    ret
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Lazy resolution

```
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   0x80482e6 <printf@plt+6>:              push   $0x0
   0x80482eb <printf@plt+11>:             jmp    0x80482d0
   0x80482f0 <__libc_start_main@plt>:     jmp    *0x804a010
   0x80482f6 <__libc_start_main@plt+6>:   push   $0x8
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(gdb) x/dx 0x804a00c
   0x804a00c:    0x080482e6
```

Lazy resolution

```
(gdb) x/8i 0x80482d0
   // plt:_dl_runtime_resolve
   0x80482d0:                    pushl 0x804a004
   0x80482d6:                    jmp    *0x804a008
   0x80482dc:                    add    %al,(%eax)
   0x80482de:                    add    %al,(%eax)
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(gdb) x/dx 0x804a008
   0x804a008:    0xf7fedf00 <ld:_dl_runtime_resolve>
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(gdb) x/dx 0x804a00c
   0x804a00c:    0xf7e3e670 <libc.printf>
```

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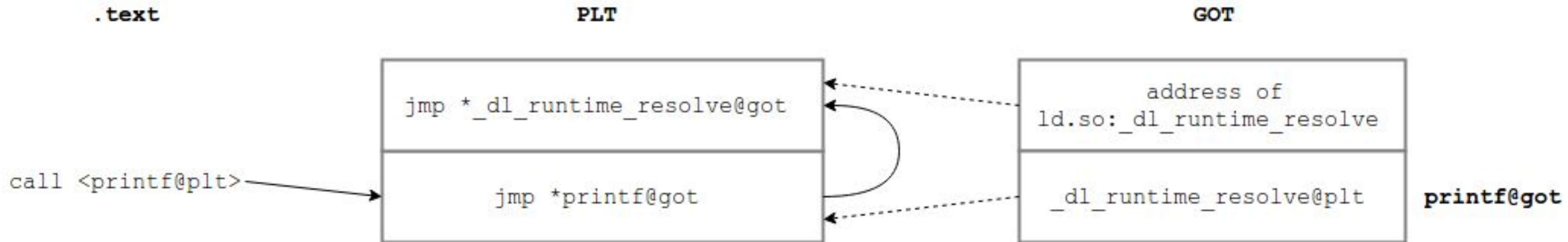

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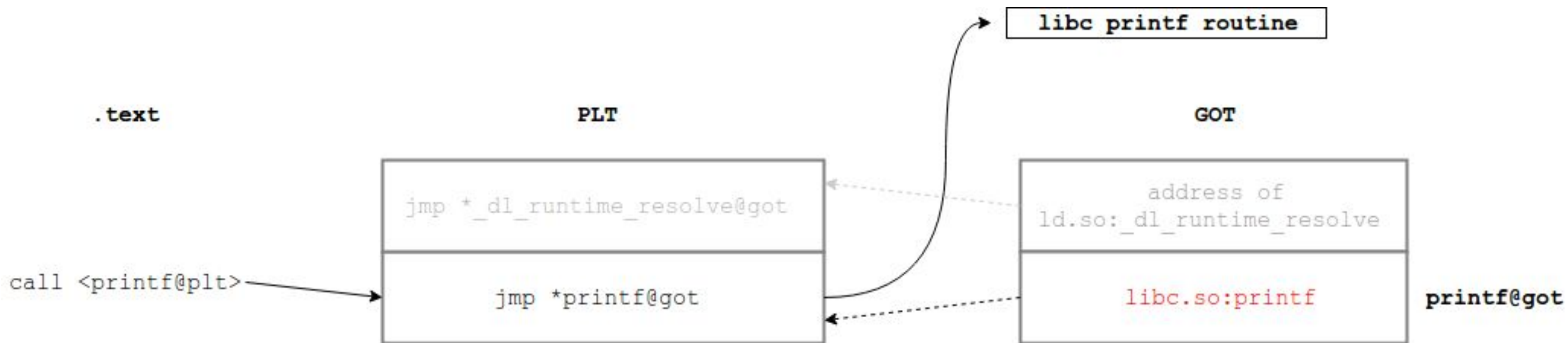

Return-to-libc

- .plt/.got sections position is usually well-known
  - unless we have ASLR & PIE executable
- If exploited executable uses some interesting routines, we can directly call them in our ROP chain

Return-to-libc

- Sometimes we need to call routine, which is not directly available from GOT/PLT (e.g. system)
- We need to resolve them manually

Return-to-libc

1. Leak GOT contents
2. Determine libc version and base addr (based on two known routine addresses)
3. Calculate system() address
4. Use buffer overflow once again to fetch second-stage payload
5. Return-to-libc system()... pwned!

libcdb

libcdb.com: the libc data base

/ search /

search

symbolA name: __libc_start_main

symbolA address: 0xb74a43e0

symbolB name: setsockopt

symbolB address: 0xb757c7b0

search

results

results: 2 item(s) found

- Libc: libc-2.15.so
- Libc: libc-2.15_2.so

**** stack smashing detected ***

Alas! Brave adventurer...

checksec

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Stack canaries

- Now.. we’re “unable” to do buffer overflow on stack
- Compiler protects stack with random, known value. When function returns - canary is checked and if it doesn’t match: program is terminated.

Stack canaries

```
sub     esp, 74h
mov     eax, large gs:14h
mov     [ebp+var_C], eax
xor     eax, eax
```

```
mov     edx, [ebp+var_C]
xor     edx, large gs:14h
jz      short loc_8048511
```

```
call    ___stack_chk_fail
```

```
loc_8048511:
mov     ecx, [ebp+var_4]
leave
lea     esp, [ecx-4]
retn
main endp ; sp-analysis failed
```

Canary bypass

- To exploit buffer overflow with canaries enable:
  - Bypass check (Windows SEH overwrite attack)
  - Use another vuln to leak canary value from stack
  - Use another vuln..

Another ways to pwn

- Buffer overflow
  - ~~Stack-based (killed)~~
  - Heap-based
- Use-after-free
- Double free
- Format string attack
- Integer problems: overflow/underflow, signedness
- Race conditions
- ...

So.. How to get a shell?

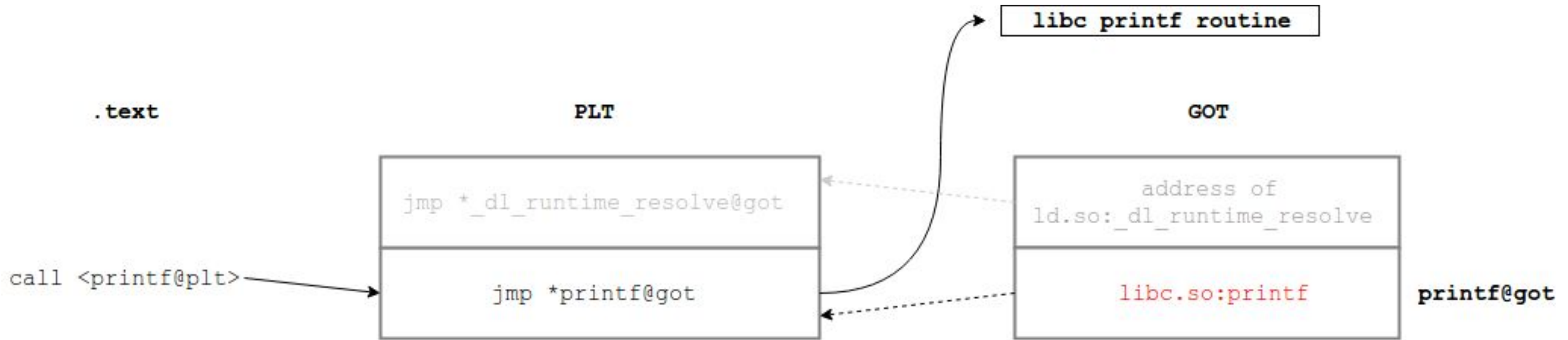
What we want?

- Information leak (e.g. arbitrary read)
  - Leak stack canaries
  - Leak libc base using GOT
  - Leak flag (sometimes)
- Write-what-where condition
  - Maybe we should overwrite something else than stack!

What we can overwrite

- Most interesting are function pointers
- We have lots of function pointers in GOT
- Overwrite GOT?

GOT overwrite



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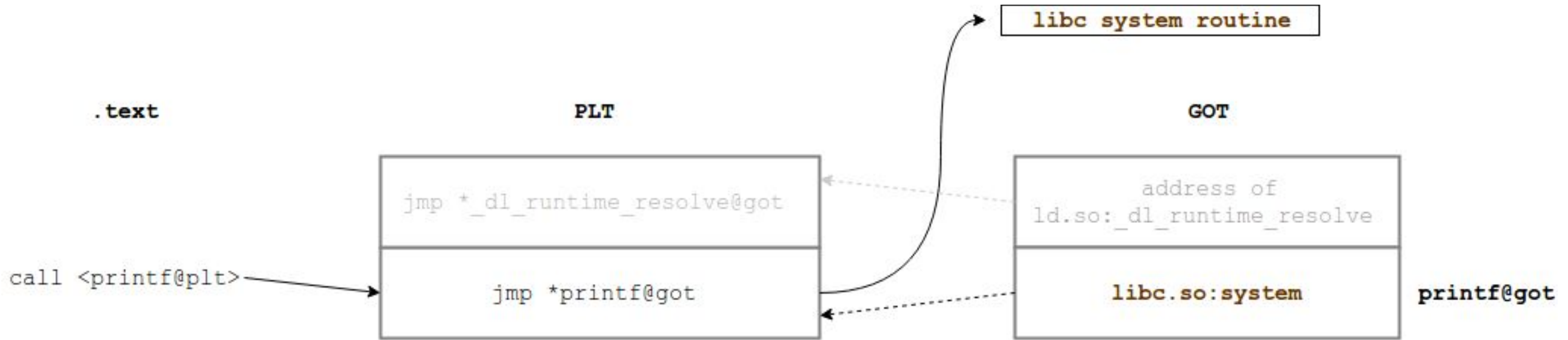

But.. what is RELRO?

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RELRO

- RELocation Read-Only
- Linker sets GOT as read-only after relocations
- Partial RELRO:
  - non-PLT GOT is read-only (GOT still writeable)
  - reordered sections (GOT precedes .data sections)
- Full RELRO
  - .got.plt is also read-only
  - … another one bites the dust

Another one bites the dust

- Life is hard
    - ASLR (+PIE)
    - DEP (NX)
    - Stack canaries
    - RELRO
    - …
- We need more tricks in our arsenal!

soon…

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