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Introduction to Computer Security

Discussion 3

Mar	on 1 <i>C Memory Defenses</i> rk the following statements as True or False and justify your solution. Please feel free to discuss h students around you.
Q1.1	Stack canaries completely prevent a buffer overflow from overwriting the return instruction pointer.
Q1.2	A format-string vulnerability can allow an attacker to overwrite values below the stack pointer.
Q1.3	ASLR, stack canaries, and NX bits all combined are insufficient to prevent exploitation of all buffer overflow attacks.
	What vulnerability would arise if the stack canary was between the return address and the saved frame pointer?
Q1.5	Assume ASLR is enabled. What vulnerability would arise if the instruction jmp ESP exists in memory?

Question 2 Robin

Consider the following code snippet:

```
void robin(void) {
2
       char buf[16];
3
       int i;
4
5
       if (fread(&i, sizeof(int), 1, stdin) != 1)
6
           return;
7
8
       if (fgets(buf, sizeof(buf), stdin) == NULL)
9
           return;
10
11
12
```

Assume that:

- There is no compiler padding or additional saved registers.
- The provided line of code in each subpart compiles and runs.
- buf is located at memory address 0xffffd8d8
- Stack canaries are enabled, and all other memory safety defenses are disabled.
- The stack canary is four completely random bytes (**no null byte**).

For each subpart, mark whether it is possible to leak the value of the stack canary. If you put possible, provide an input to Line 5 and an input to Line 8 that would leak the canary. If the line is not needed for the exploit, you must write "Not needed" in the box.

Write your answer in Python syntax.

.1	(3 min) Line 11 contains gets(buf);.	
	O Possible	
	O Not possible	
	Line 5:	
	Line 8:	

Q2.2	(5 min) For this subpart only, enter an input that allows you to leak a single character from memory address 0xffffd8d7. Mark "Not possible" if this is not possible. Line 11 contains printf("%c", buf[i]);.				
	0	Possible			
	0	Not possible			
	Line 5	5:			
	Line 8	3:			
Q2.3	(6 min	n) Line 11 contains printf(buf);.			
	0	Possible			
	0	Not possible			
	Line 5	5:			
	Line 8	3:			
Q2.4	(6 min	n) Line 11 contains printf(i);.			
	0	Possible			
	0	Not possible			
	Line 5	5:			
	Line 8	3:			

Question 3 Hulk Smash!

Assume that:

- For your inputs, you may use SHELLCODE as a 16-byte shellcode.
- If needed, you may use standard output as OUTPUT, slicing it using Python syntax.
- All x86 instructions are **4 bytes** long.
- For each provided code snippet, you run GDB once, and discover that:
 - The address of the RIP of the hulk method is 0xffffcd84.
 - The address of a ret instruction is 0x080722d8.

Consider the following function:

```
1 int hulk (FILE *f, char *eyes) {
       void (* green_ptr)(void) = &green; //function pointer
3
       char buf[32];
4
       char str [28];
5
       fread (buf, 1, 32, f);
6
       printf("%s", buf);
7
       fread (buf, 4, 32, stdin);
8
       if (strlen(eyes) > 28) {
9
           return 0;
10
       strncpy(str, eyes, sizeof(buf));
11
12
       return 1;
13 }
```

The following is the x86 code of void green(void):

```
1 nop
2 nop
3 nop
4 ret
```

Assume that ASLR is enabled including the code section, but all other memory safety defenses are disabled.

	Stack	
	for the contents of the file that is passed	d in as the f argument of hulk :
Provide a string		
Provide a string		
	t to the second fread in hulk:	
	t to the second fread in hulk:	
	t to the second fread in hulk :	