

Exploiting and Defense

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Intro - Technical

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What is a picture?





What is a picture? In an text editor



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What is a picture? In an hex editor



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0000000A0 B0 06 40 03 01 22 00 02 11 01 03 11 01 FF C4 00 °.@.."......ÿÄ.
000000B0 1D 00 00 02 03 01 01 01 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                   000000C0 00 00 02 03 00 01 04 05 06 07 08 09 FF C4 00 43
000000D0 10 00 02 02 01 03 02 05 03 03 03 03 03 03 02 02
                                                  ...."2A
000000E0 0B 01 02 00 03 11 04 12 21 05 31 06 13 22 32 41
000000F0 42 51 52 07 14 62 23 61 72 15 33 82 43 71 92 16 BQR..b#ar.3,Cq'.
00000100 24 53 08 81 A2 34 B2 C2 44 63 91 17 25 73 83 E2 $5..¢4*ÂDc'.%sfâ
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00000120 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 FF C4
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00000180
       12 49 24 80 4F 89 52 FE 25 40 21 92 43 24 02 47
                                                  .I$€0%Rb%@!'C$.G
```

JFIF file structure			
Segment	Code	Description	
SOI	FF D8	Start of Image	
JFIF-APP0	FF E0 s1 s2 4A 46 49 46 00	see below	
JFXX-APP0	FF E0 s1 s2 4		



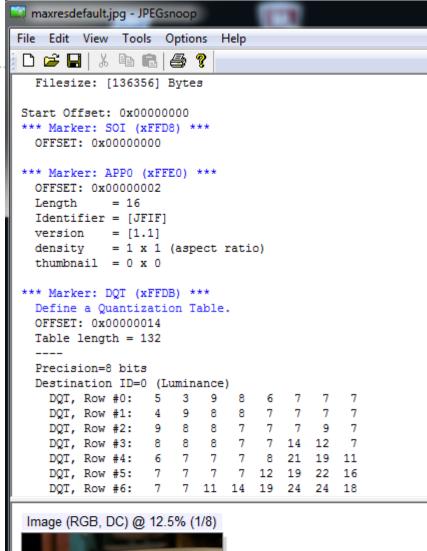
JFIF APP0 marker segment [edit]

In the mandatory JFIF APP0 marker segment the parameters of the image are specified. Optionally an uncompresse

(for example SOF, DHT, COM)		
sos	FF DA	
	compressed ima	
EOI	FF D9	

... additional marker segments

JFIF APP0 marker segment		
Size (bytes)	Description	
2	FF E0	
2	Length of segment excluding APP0 marker	
5	4A 46 49 46 00 = "JFIF" in ASCII, terminated by a null byte	
2	First byte for major version, second byte for minor version (01 02 for 1.02)	
1	Units for the following pixel density fields • 00 : No units; width:height pixel aspect ratio = Xdensity:Ydensity • 01 : Pixels per inch (2.54 cm) • 02 : Pixels per centimeter	
2	Horizontal pixel density. Must not be zero.	
2	Vertical pixel density. Must not be zero.	
1	Horizontal pixel count of the following embedded RGB thumbnail. May be zero.	
1	Vertical pixel count of the following embedded RGB thumbnail. May be zero.	
	Size (bytes) 2 2 5 2 1	





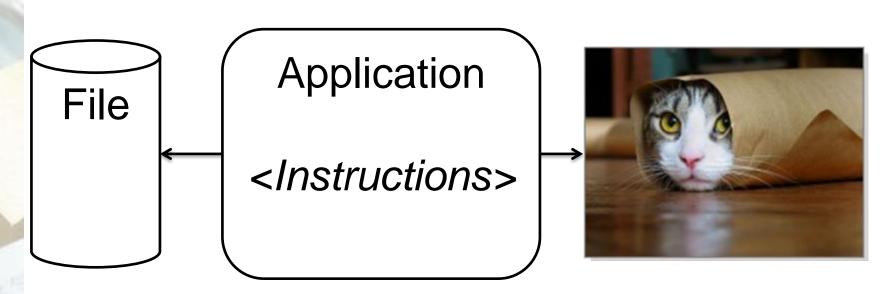


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What is a picture?



- → Data for the computer
- → When interpreted correctly, displays a cat (via GPU)
- → When interpreted wrongly, displays garbage / crashes
- → When interpreted wrongly in the right way, lets us hack a computer





Which one is data and which is instructions?

```
0004 8384 0084 c7c8 00c8 4748 0048 e8e9
     6a69
          0069 a8a9 00a9 2828 0028 fdfc
                                                      how the computer
          0019 9898 0098 d9d8 00d8 5857
00fc 1819
                                                      sees instructions
0057 7b7a
          007a bab9
                     00b9 3a3c 003c 8888
          8888 8888
                     288e be88 8888 8888
8888 8888
3b83 5788
          8888 8888
                           7786
d61f 7abd 8818 8888
8b06 e8f7 88aa 8388
8a18 880c e841 c988
how the computer
  sees data
```

What is a picture?



Is it possible to create an image which executes code?

Yes

If this is intentional, it's a feature

If this is not intentional, the picture is an exploit



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Simple Definition of EXPLOIT

- to get value or use from (something)
- to use (someone or something) in a way that helps you unfairly

Full Definition of EXPLOIT

- → to make productive use of: <u>UTILIZE</u> < exploiting your talents > < exploit your opponent's weakness >
- → to make use of meanly or unfairly for one's own advantage < exploiting migrant farm workers>

http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/exploit

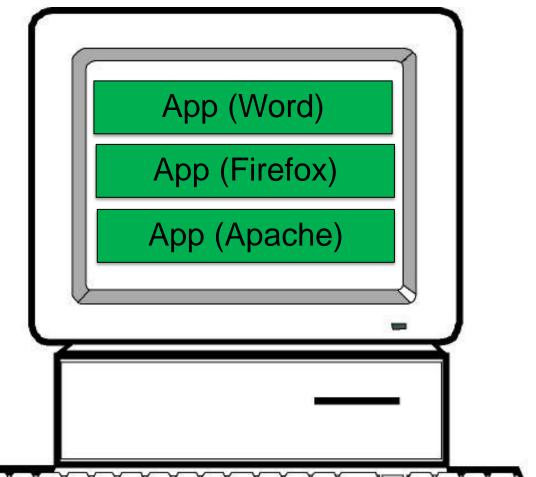


Exploit (v): To take advantage of a vulnerability so that the target system reacts in a manner other than which the designer intended.

Exploit (n): The tool, set of instructions, or code that is used to take advantage of a vulnerability.

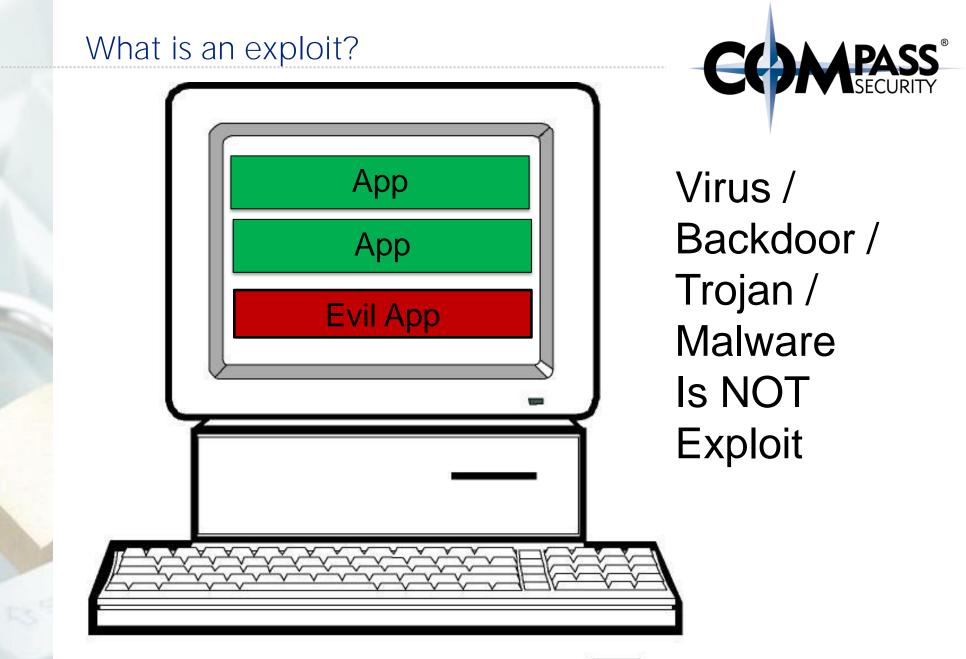
(The Shellcoders Handbook, 2nd Edition, p4)



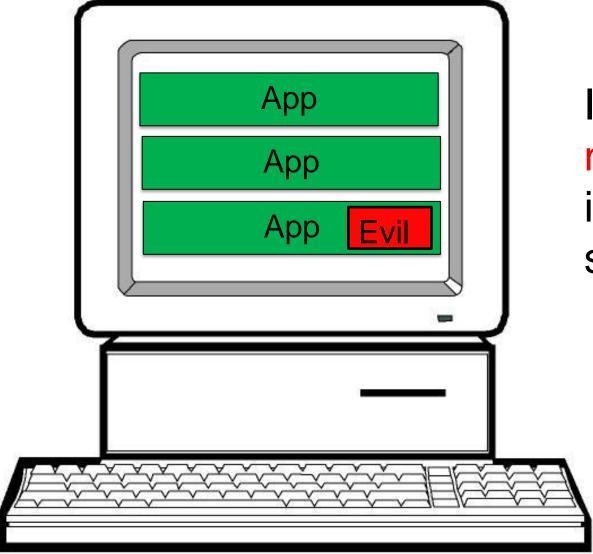


Only trusted apps (code) running Computer fully secure









Introduce new code into running software

Types of exploits



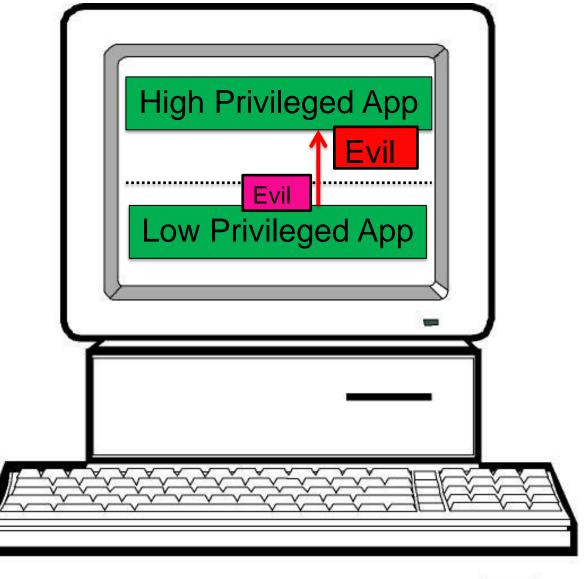
Local

Server-side

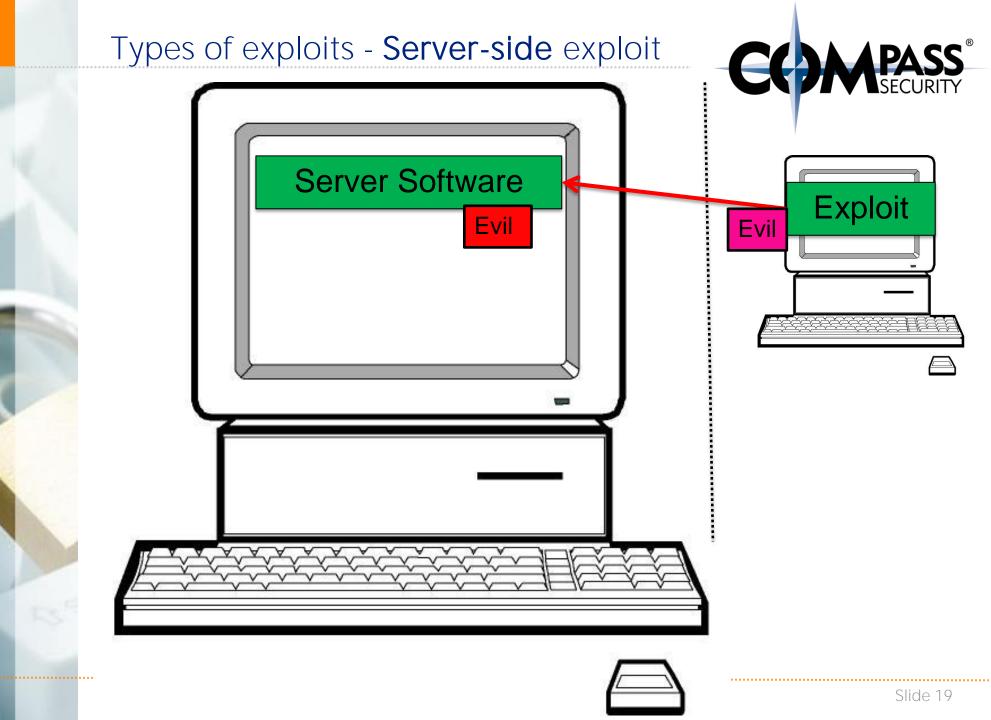
Client-side

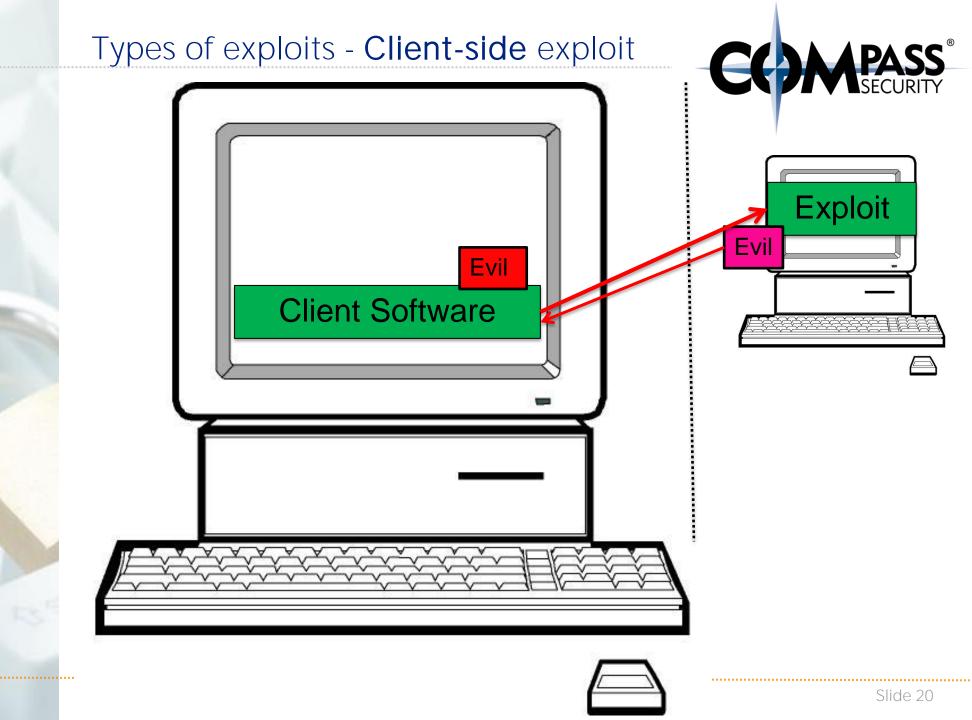
Types of exploits - Local exploit











Types of exploits - local



Local Exploit:

- Attacker is already on a host
- → Wants to execute his code with higher privileges
- → "Privilege Escalation"

Linux:

- → SUID Programs
- → www-data -> root

Windows:

→ User -> Local Admin (->System)

Types of exploits - Remote



Remote Exploit:

- ★ Attacker can directly talk with a server software on a host
- → Wants to execute his code on the remote host

Server Examples

- FTP Server (proftp, wuftp)
- DNS Server (bind)
- Web Server (IIS, Apache)

Types of exploits - Client



Client Exploit:

- ★ Attacker can influence data which a client receives
- → Wants to execute his code on the client host

Examples:

- → Browser
 - **→** Flash
 - **→** Java
 - → Image Viewer
- → Word
- ◆ Putty
- **→** Git



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Hack

1.to cut, notch, slice, chop, or sever (something) with or as with heavy, irregular blows (often followed by *up* or *down*): to hack meat; to hack down trees.



An aspect of hack value is performing feats for the sake of showing that they can be done, even if others think it is difficult. **Using things in a unique way outside their intended purpose** is often perceived as having hack value.

Examples:

- using a dot matrix impact printer to produce musical notes
- using an optical mouse as barcode reader.
- making soup with your coffee machine

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hacker_culture



hack: Computers.

to modify (a computer program or electronic device) or write (a program) in a skillful or clever way:

Developers have hacked the app.

I hacked my tablet to do some very cool things.

to circumvent security and break into (a network, computer, file, etc.), usually with malicious intent:

Criminals hacked the bank's servers yesterday.

Our team systematically hacks our network to find vulnerabilities.

http://www.dictionary.com/browse/hacking



Hackerethik:

Freier Zugriff auf Computer

Freier Zugriff auf Wissen

Misstrauen gegenüber Autoritäten und Bevorzugung von Dezentralisierung.

Hacker sollten nur nach ihrer Fähigkeit beurteilt werden.

Du kannst Kunst und Schönheit mittels Computer erzeugen

Verbesserung der Welt durch das Verbreiten von Technologien

https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hackerethik





Vulnerability types

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Vulnerability types



Vulnerability types

- → Memory corruption
- → Authentication
- → Authorization
- → Configuration error
- → Input validation
- → Logic error
- → Sensitive data protection
- → Session management
- → Encoding Error
- → Cryptographic Errors
- → Permission Problems
- +

Vulnerability Types



Memory corruption occurs in a computer program when the contents of a memory location are unintentionally modified due to programming errors; this is termed violating memory safety. When the corrupted memory contents are used later in that program, it leads either to program crash or to strange and bizarre program behavior

Modern programming languages like C and C++ have **powerful features of explicit memory management and pointer arithmetic**. These features are designed for developing efficient applications and system software.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Memory_corruption



What is vulnerable against memory corruption?

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What software is affected?

Software developed in unsafe programming languages

- **→** (ASM)
- **♦** C
- **♦** C++
- → Fortran (IoI)



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Who writes software in C/C++, anyway?

- → IE, Chrome, Firefox
- → Apache / IIS
- Postfix, Sendmail
- **→** BIND
- → MS Office / LibreOffice
- Antivirus
- → Other "Security" Software



Not affected:

Software written in interpreted languages

- ◆ PHP
- → Perl
- → Ruby
- → Bash
- → Python
- → JavaScript

Software with strict bound checking

- → Rust
- **→** C#
- → Java

Exception: Native calls



Special case: Interpreter itself

What language is PHP, Java, JavaScript, ... written-in?

♦ C/C++





Some memory corruption vuln's

From 2015

What is vulnerable?



Vulnerability Details: CVE-2015-8617

Format string vulnerability in the zend_throw_or_error function in Zend/zend_execute_API.c in PHP 7.x before 7.0.1 allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via format string specifiers in a string that is misused as a class name, leading to incorrect error handling.

Publish Date: 2016-01-19 Last Update Date: 2016-01-21

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- CVSS Scores & Vulnerability Types

CVSS Score 10.0

Confidentiality Impact Complete (There is total information disclosure, resulting in all system files being revealed.)

Integrity Impact Complete (There is a total compromise of system integrity. There is a complete loss of system protection, resulting in

the entire system being compromised.)

Availability Impact Complete (There is a total shutdown of the affected resource. The attacker can render the resource completely

unavailable.)

Low (Specialized access conditions or extenuating circumstances do not exist. Very little knowledge or skill is required Access Complexity

to exploit.)

Not required (Authentication is not required to exploit the vulnerability.) Authentication

Gained Access None

Vulnerability Type(s) Execute Code

CWE ID 134



CVE-2015-6094

- → Microsoft Office is prone to a remote memory-corruption vulnerability because it fails to properly handle objects in memory.
- + Excel 2010, 2013, 2016

CVE-2015-6068

- → Microsoft Internet Explorer is prone to a remote memory-corruption vulnerability. Attackers can exploit this issue by enticing an unsuspecting user to view a specially crafted webpage.
- **→** IE11

CVE-2015-5122

- ◆ Use-after-free vulnerability in the DisplayObject class in the ActionScript 3
 (AS3) implementation in Adobe Flash Player 13.x through 13.0.0.302 on
 Windows and OS X, 14.x through 18.0.0.203 on Windows and OS X, 11.x
 through 11.2.202.481 on Linux, and 12.x through 18.0.0.204 on Linux Chrome installations allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code
- → Flash 11, 12, 13, 14



CVE-2015-0287

- → ASN.1 structure reuse memory corruption. Reusing a structure in ASN.1 parsing may allow an attacker to cause memory corruption via an invalid write.
- → OpenSSL 0.9.8-1.0.2

CVE-2015-7852

- → A potential off by one vulnerability exists in the cookedprint functionality of ntpq. A specially crafted buffer could cause a buffer overflow potentially resulting in null byte being written out of bounds.
- ♦ NTP 4.2.8p2

CVE-2015-1538 (Stagefright)

- → Integer overflow in the SampleTable::setSampleToChunkParams function in SampleTable.cpp in libstagefright in Android before 5.1.1 LMY48I allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via crafted atoms in MP4 data that trigger an unchecked multiplication
- Android 1.5 5.1



Android:

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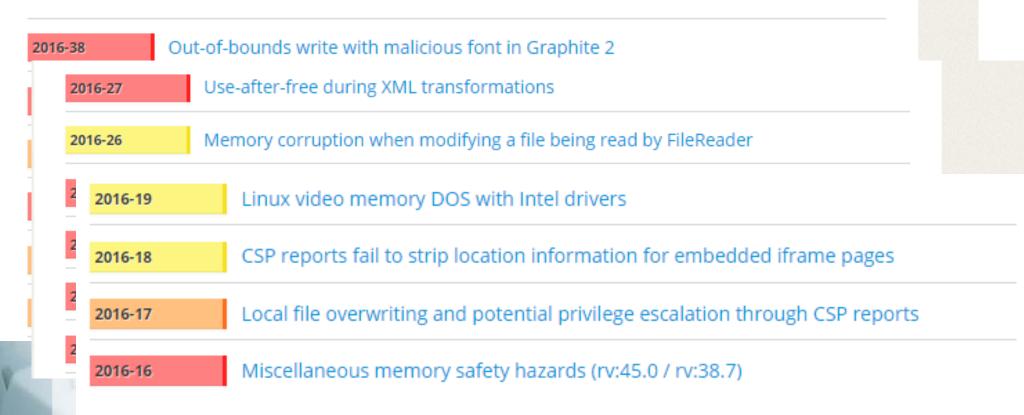
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November 2015	
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August 2015	
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emory corruption bugs		
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Telecom Component	CVE-2016-0847	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Download Manager	CVE-2016-0848	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Recovery Procedure	CVE-2016-0849	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Bluetooth	CVE-2016-0850	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Texas Instruments Haptic Driver	CVE-2016-2409	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in a Video Kernel Driver	CVE-2016-2410	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Qualcomm Power Management Component	CVE-2016-2411	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in System_server	CVE-2016-2412	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Mediaserver	CVE-2016-2413	High
Denial of Service Vulnerability in Minikin	CVE-2016-2414	High
Information Disclosure Vulnerability in Exchange ActiveSync	CVE-2016-2415	High
Information Disclosure Vulnerability in Mediaserver	CVE-2016-2416 CVE-2016-2417 CVE-2016-2418 CVE-2016-2419	High
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Debuggerd Component	CVE-2016-2420	Moderate
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Setup Wizard	CVE-2016-2421	Moderate
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Wi-Fi	CVE-2016-2422	Moderate
Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability in Telephony	CVE-2016-2423	Moderate
Denial of Service Vulnerability in SyncStorageEngine	CVE-2016-2424	Moderate
Information Disclosure Vulnerability in AOSP Mail	CVE-2016-2425	Moderate
Information Disclosure Vulnerability in Framework	CVE-2016-2426	Moderate
Information Disclosure Vulnerability in BouncyCastle	CVE-2016-2427	Moderate



Firefox:

Fixed in Firefox 45



Internet Explorer 11

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Conclusion:

- → Important software is written in C/C++
- → Memory corruption bugs are very prelevant

Intro



Recap:

- We are concerned with memory corruption vulnerabilities
- A program which misuses a memory corruption vulnerability is called an exploit
- ★ There can be local-, server- and client exploits
- → A exploit injects additional code into a trusted app and executes it





Programs and Data

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Definition of a "program":

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Or in other words:

Data is manipulating the instruction flow of a program, not the other way round

Weird machines



Weird machine:

In computer security, the weird machine is a computational artifact where additional code execution can happen outside the original specification of the program.

It is closely related to the concept of weird instructions, which are the building blocks of an exploit based on crafted input data

Weird machines



Programming of "Weird Machines"

Gain very detailed understanding of:

- → Program logic
- Implementation of "hidden mechanics"
 - → Stack, Heap etc.
- ★ Error conditions

Leads from from:

"This bugs randomly crashes my program!"

To:

"This bugs lets me reliably execute arbitrary code"



Obligatory history lesson...

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Morris worm



Morris worm

- **+** 02.11.1988
- → Written by graduate student Robert Morris, MIT
- → He wanted to count the number of computers on the internet
- Worm had a bug, re-infected already infected computers, killed the Internet
- Attacked fingerd and sendmail (and some more things)



Morris worm



fingerd bug in BSD4 on VAX machines:

The bug exploited to break fingerd involved overrunning the buffer the daemon used for input. The standard C library has a few routines that read input without checking for bounds on the buffer involved. In particular, the gets call takes input to a buffer without doing any bounds checking; this was the call exploited by the Worm.

The Internet Worm Program: An Analysis (2004)

http://spaf.cerias.purdue.edu/tech-reps/823.pdf

Morris worm



