

Adventure with Stack Smashing Protector (SSP)

Introduction.

I was heavily playing with Stack Smashing Protector a few years ago. Some of my research (observation) I decided to publish on phrack magazine but not everything. Two years ago my professional life moved to the Windows environment and unfortunately I didn't have time to play with UNIX world as much as before. One weekend I decided to reanalyze SSP code again and this write-up is describing a few of my observations I've made during the work...

... which can be shortly summarized as (details can be found at "Random ideas" section):

Not security related...

1. We can change program's name (from SSP perspective) via overwriting memory region where pointer to "argv[0]" points to.
2. We can crash Stack Smashing Protector code in many ways:
 - a. Via corrupting memory region pointed by "__environ" variable.
 - b. Via setting "LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_" to the edge of valid addresses.
 - c. Via forcing "alloca()" to fail – e.g. stack exhaustion.
 - d. There is one more bug which I'm analyzing more comprehensively at point 4. It may indirectly force SSP to crash. It exists in DWARF stack (state) machine which is responsible for gathering information about the stack trace ("__backtrace()") and prints it.
3. We can slightly control SSP's execution flow. (Un)Fortunately it doesn't have any influence for the main execution (what about security?). Following scenarios are possible:
 - a. Force SSP to open "/dev/tty"
 - b. Force SSP *not* to open "/dev/tty" and assign to the "fd" descriptor "STDERR_FILENO" value:

```
#define STDERR_FILENO 2 /* Standard error output. */
```

- c. Crash SSP via 2b. scenario
4. We can crash indirectly SSP via unwinding algorithm (read-AV or we can be killed by "gcc_unreachable" or "gcc_assert" function) – DWARF stack (state) machine:
 - a. Simulate FDE object was not found
 - b. Simulate FDE object was found.

Somehow security related... (look at "Random ideas" section for details):

1. We can force SSP to allocate a lot of memory and cause Denial of Service via Resource Exhaustion attack.
2. Theoretical Information leak:
 - a. Stack cookie information leak.
 - b. Any kind of information leak
 - c. File corruption.

Stack Smashing Protector (SSP) a.k.a ProPolice under the microscope.

GNU Compiler Collection (GCC) includes SSP implementation and is the most commonly used one. Let's analyze the full code chain called during SSP execution. If corruption on the stack is detected (stack canary is not valid), the following function is called:

```
"debug/stack_chk_fail.c"
void
__attribute__((noreturn))
__stack_chk_fail (void)
{
    __fortify_fail ("stack smashing detected");
}
```

Nothing fancy here so let's move forward:

```
"debug/fortify_fail.c"
void
__attribute__((noreturn))
__fortify_fail (msg)
    const char *msg;
{
    /* The loop is added only to keep gcc happy. */
    while (1)
        __libc_message (2, "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n",
            msg, __libc_argv[0] ? "<unknown>");
}
libc_hidden_def (__fortify_fail)
```

First discovery in the very early stage is `__libc_argv[0]` cannot be trusted, because the memory area where it's pointing to can be modified at the time of crash (each pointer on the stack may be corrupted). Moving forward:

```
"sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c"
/* Abort with an error message. */
void
__libc_message (int do_abort, const char *fmt, ...)
{
    va_list ap;
    va_list ap_copy;
    int fd = -1;

    va_start (ap, fmt);
    va_copy (ap_copy, ap);

#ifdef FATAL_PREPARE
    FATAL_PREPARE;
#endif
}
```

```

/* Open a descriptor for /dev/tty unless the user explicitly
   requests errors on standard error. */
const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv ("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
    fd = open_not_cancel_2 (_PATH_TTY, O_RDWR | O_NOCTTY |
O_NDELAY);

if (fd == -1)
    fd = STDERR_FILENO;

struct str_list *list = NULL;
int nlist = 0;

const char *cp = fmt;
while (*cp != '\0')
{
    /* Find the next "%s" or the end of the string. */
    const char *next = cp;
    while (next[0] != '%' || next[1] != 's')
    {
        next = __strchrnul (next + 1, '%');

        if (next[0] == '\0')
            break;
    }

    /* Determine what to print. */
    const char *str;
    size_t len;
    if (cp[0] == '%' && cp[1] == 's')
    {
        str = va_arg (ap, const char *);
        len = strlen (str);
        cp += 2;
    }
    else
    {
        str = cp;
        len = next - cp;
        cp = next;
    }

    struct str_list *newp = alloca (sizeof (struct str_list));
    newp->str = str;
    newp->len = len;
    newp->next = list;
    list = newp;
    ++nlist;
}

bool written = false;
if (nlist > 0)

```

```

{
    struct iovec *iovec = alloca (nlist * sizeof (struct iovec));
    ssize_t total = 0;

    for (int cnt = nlist - 1; cnt >= 0; --cnt)
    {
        iovec[cnt].iov_base = (void *) list->str;
        iovec[cnt].iov_len = list->len;
        total += list->len;
        list = list->next;
    }

    INTERNAL_SYSCALL_DECL (err);
    ssize_t cnt;
    do
    cnt = INTERNAL_SYSCALL (writev, err, 3, fd, iovec, nlist);
    while (INTERNAL_SYSCALL_ERROR_P (cnt, err)
        && INTERNAL_SYSCALL_ERRNO (cnt, err) == EINTR);

    if (cnt == total)
    written = true;

    if (do_abort)
    {
        total = ((total + 1 + GLRO(dl_pagesize) - 1)
            & ~(GLRO(dl_pagesize) - 1));
        struct abort_msg_s *buf = __mmap (NULL, total,
            PROT_READ | PROT_WRITE,
            MAP_ANON | MAP_PRIVATE, -1, 0);
        if (__builtin_expect (buf != MAP_FAILED, 1))
        {
            buf->size = total;
            char *wp = buf->msg;
            for (int cnt = 0; cnt < nlist; ++cnt)
            wp = memcpy (wp, iovec[cnt].iov_base, iovec[cnt].iov_len);
            *wp = '\0';

            /* We have to free the old buffer since the application
might
            catch the SIGABRT signal. */
            struct abort_msg_s *old = atomic_exchange_acq
(&__abort_msg,
                buf);

            if (old != NULL)
            __munmap (old, old->size);
        }
    }
}

va_end (ap);

/* If we had no success writing the message, use syslog. */

```

```
if (! written)
    vsyslog (LOG_ERR, fmt, ap_copy);

va_end (ap_copy);

if (do_abort)
{
    if (do_abort > 1 && written)
    {
        void *addrs[64];
#define naddrs (sizeof (addrs) / sizeof (addrs[0]))
        int n = __backtrace (addrs, naddrs);
        if (n > 2)
        {
#define strnsize(str) str, strlen (str)
#define writestr(str) write_not_cancel (fd, str)
            writestr (strnsize ("==== Backtrace: =====\n"));
            __backtrace_symbols_fd (addrs + 1, n - 1, fd);

            writestr (strnsize ("==== Memory map: =====\n"));
            int fd2 = open_not_cancel_2 ("/proc/self/maps",
O_RDONLY);
            char buf[1024];
            ssize_t n2;
            while ((n2 = read_not_cancel (fd2, buf, sizeof (buf)))
> 0)
                if (write_not_cancel (fd, buf, n2) != n2)
                    break;
                close_not_cancel_no_status (fd2);
        }
    }

    /* Terminate the process. */
    abort ();
}
}
```

What is interesting in this function? At first, before function `abort()` is called a lot of code (too much ;)) is executed. This is not amazing idea, because corrupted process cannot be trusted, and execution of any code (especially the code which relies on any pointer[s]) is unexpected.

Let's look closer for the following line:

```
const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv ("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
```

Which essentially executes:

```
"stdlib/secure-getenv.c"
char *
__libc_secure_getenv (name)
    const char *name;
{
```

```
    return __libc_enable_secure ? NULL : getenv (name);  
}
```

Moving forward:

```
"stdlib/getenv.c"  
char *  
getenv (name)  
    const char *name;  
{  
    size_t len = strlen (name);  
    char **ep;  
    uint16_t name_start;  
  
    if (__environ == NULL || name[0] == '\0')  
        return NULL;  
  
    if (name[1] == '\0')  
    {  
        /* The name of the variable consists of only one character.  
Therefore  
        the first two characters of the environment entry are this  
character  
        and a '=' character. */  
#if __BYTE_ORDER == __LITTLE_ENDIAN || !_STRING_ARCH_unaligned  
    name_start = ('=' << 8) | *(const unsigned char *) name;  
#else  
# if __BYTE_ORDER == __BIG_ENDIAN  
    name_start = '=' | (*(const unsigned char *) name) << 8);  
# else  
    #error "Funny byte order."  
# endif  
#endif  
        for (ep = __environ; *ep != NULL; ++ep)  
        {  
#if _STRING_ARCH_unaligned  
            uint16_t ep_start = *(uint16_t *) *ep;  
#else  
            uint16_t ep_start = (((unsigned char *) *ep)[0]  
                | (((unsigned char *) *ep)[1] << 8));  
#endif  
            if (name_start == ep_start)  
                return &(*ep)[2];  
        }  
    }  
    else  
    {  
#if _STRING_ARCH_unaligned  
        name_start = *(const uint16_t *) name;  
#else  
        name_start = (((const unsigned char *) name)[0]
```

```
        | (((const unsigned char *) name)[1] << 8));
#endif
    len -= 2;
    name += 2;

    for (ep = __environ; *ep != NULL; ++ep)
    {
#ifdef _STRING_ARCH_unaligned
        uint16_t ep_start = *(uint16_t *) *ep;
#else
        uint16_t ep_start = (((unsigned char *) *ep)[0]
            | (((unsigned char *) *ep)[1] << 8));
#endif

        if (name_start == ep_start && !strncmp (*ep + 2, name, len)
            && (*ep)[len + 2] == '=')
            return &(*ep)[len + 3];
    }

    return NULL;
}
libc_hidden_def (getenv)
```

Essentially this function goes through the environment block/array (pointer to the pointers) and checks if first two characters are equivalent to the arguments'. If yes it checks the rest of the string. The last step of this function is to verify if character '=' exists and in this case address to the next byte is returned. Again, this code relies on the pointers which can be corrupted. We are able to easily crash this code here when it references blocks from the environment block/array (which I will prove later). Additionally, bytes after '=' character is not verified and just simple address is returned. After executing `getenv()` function, following code is executed:

```
/* Open a descriptor for /dev/tty unless the user explicitly
   requests errors on standard error. */
const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv ("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
    fd = open_not_cancel_2 (_PATH_TTY, O_RDWR | O_NOCTTY |
O_NDELAY);

if (fd == -1)
    fd = STDERR_FILENO;
```

If not NULL is return by `__libc_secure_getenv()`, the code references the address and verifies if it is pointing to the NULL. When both checks are passed function `open_not_cancel_2()` is called. In the end just default `open()` function is executed. What is `_PATH_TTY`?

```
#define _PATH_TTY    "/dev/tty"
```

We are able to execute (control) 3 possible scenarios:

1. Force SSP to open /dev/tty.
2. Force SSP to NOT open /dev/tty and just assign to the 'fd' descriptor value STDERR_FILENO which means:

```
#define  STDERR_FILENO  2  /* Standard error output.  */
```

3. Crash SSP via setting LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_ to the edge of valid addresses

SSP can be crashed in much easier (than 3rd scenario) way just by completely messing up environmental block (variable “__environ”).

Another interesting piece of code dynamically allocates memory via `alloca()` function. For example:

```
...
    struct str_list *newp = alloca (sizeof (struct str_list));
    newp->str = str;
    newp->len = len;
    newp->next = list;
    list = newp;
    ++nlist;
...
    struct iovec *iov = alloca (nlist * sizeof (struct iovec));
    ssize_t total = 0;

    for (int cnt = nlist - 1; cnt >= 0; --cnt)
    {
        iov[cnt].iov_base = (void *) list->str;
        iov[cnt].iov_len = list->len;
        total += list->len;
        list = list->next;
    }
...

```

Again, this code is dangerous because SIGSEGV can be received in some specific scenarios. Let me quote following information from the GNU:

"Normally, gcc(1) translates calls to `alloca()` with inlined code. This is not done when either the `-ansi`, `-std=c89`, `-std=c99`, or the `-std=c11` option is given and the header `<alloca.h>` is not included. Otherwise (without an `-ansi` or `-std=c*` option) the glibc version of `<stdlib.h>` includes `<alloca.h>` and that contains the lines:

```
#ifdef  __GNUC__
#define  alloca(size)  __builtin_alloca (size)
#endif
```

with messy consequences if one has a private version of this function.

The fact that the code is inlined means that it is impossible to take the address of this function, or to change its behavior by linking with a different library.

The inlined code often consists of a single instruction adjusting the stack pointer, and does not check for stack overflow. Thus, there is no NULL error return."

and continuing:

"There is no error indication if the stack frame cannot be extended. (However, after a failed allocation, the program is likely to receive a SIGSEGV signal if it attempts to access the unallocated space.)"

OK, so now let's analyze something more interesting. Let's look for the following code:

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```

struct str_list *list = NULL;
int nlist = 0;

const char *cp = fmt;
while (*cp != '\0')
{
...
...
    /* Determine what to print. */
    const char *str;
    size_t len;
    if (cp[0] == '%' && cp[1] == 's')
    {
        str = va_arg (ap, const char *);
[1] len = strlen (str);
        cp += 2;
    }
...
...
}

bool written = false;
if (nlist > 0)
{
    struct iovec *iovc = alloca (nlist * sizeof (struct iovec));
    ssize_t total = 0;
    for (int cnt = nlist - 1; cnt >= 0; --cnt)
    {
        iov[cnt].iov_base = (void *) list->str;
        iov[cnt].iov_len = list->len;
[2] total += list->len;
        list = list->next;
    }
}

```

```
    }  
    ...  
    ...  
  
    if (do_abort)  
    {  
[3] total = ((total + 1 + GLRO(dl_pagesize) - 1)  
            & ~(GLRO(dl_pagesize) - 1));  
[4] struct abort_msg_s *buf = __mmap (NULL, total,  
                                     PROT_READ | PROT_WRITE,  
                                     MAP_ANON | MAP_PRIVATE, -1, 0);  
    if (__builtin_expect (buf != MAP_FAILED, 1))  
    {  
[5]     buf->size = total;  
[6]     char *wp = buf->msg;  
        for (int cnt = 0; cnt < nlist; ++cnt)  
[7]     wp = memcpy (wp, iov[cnt].iov_base, iov[cnt].iov_len);  
        *wp = '\\0';  
  
        /* We have to free the old buffer since the application  
might catch the SIGABRT signal. */  
        struct abort_msg_s *old = atomic_exchange_acq  
(&__abort_msg,  
                                     buf);  
  
        if (old != NULL)  
            __munmap (old, old->size);  
    }  
    }  
    ...  
    ...  
    ...  
    }  
--- CUT ---
```

I've added a few tags with numbers. Let's start from the [1] tag. If function format includes any string argument ("%s") sequence it will be extracted (va_arg()), assigned to the "str" variable, length will be calculated (via strlen()) and assigned to the "len" variable. This scenario will be executed for every "%s" formatter.

This is very important, because we can control one of the argument to the string formatter. If you look closer at the beginning of this write-up you will realize why. Short reminder:

```
__libc_message (2, "*** %s ***: %s terminated\\n",  
                msg, __libc_argv[0] ?: "<unknown>");
```

We can overflow memory where pointer "__libc_argv[0]" points to and change the displayed name of crashed application. What is even more important, we can change behavior of the "len" and "str" variables. In fact in some way we can control "len" variable.

Next, if we move to the [2] tag, you may discover that we can indirectly control "total" variable as well. This variable is updated each passing of the loop. The code inside just go through the list (built before) and for every substring calculates their length and updates "iov" "database". The "total" variable keeps the full length calculated from each substring.

At line [3], variable "total" is recalculated (aligned to the page) and at line [4] used as a size argument to the "__mmap" function (dynamic memory allocation). Most of you probably realize that we can control how much memory will be dynamically allocated. Next (line [5]) "total" is kept in the newly allocated buffer's metadata. At line [6] dynamic buffer is assigned to the temporary pointer. Line [7] is inside of the loop which "extracts" previously created "iov" "database" and copy all data to the newly allocated memory.

What can we get via this scenario? We can force SSP to allocate big chunk of memory which later will be referenced and some data copied. This may results with small resources exhaustion attack.

The last stage of "__libc_message" function is to execute following code in case "do_abort" is declared (which is in our situation):

```

    if (do_abort)
    {
        if (do_abort > 1 && written)
        {
            void *addrs[64];
#define naddrs (sizeof (addrs) / sizeof (addrs[0]))
            int n = __backtrace (addrs, naddrs);
            if (n > 2)
            {
#define strnsize(str) str, strlen (str)
#define writestr(str) write_not_cancel (fd, str)
                writestr (strnsize ("==== Backtrace: =====\n"));
                __backtrace_symbols_fd (addrs + 1, n - 1, fd);

                writestr (strnsize ("==== Memory map: =====\n"));
                int fd2 = open_not_cancel_2 ("/proc/self/maps",
O_RDONLY);
                char buf[1024];
                ssize_t n2;
                while ((n2 = read_not_cancel (fd2, buf, sizeof (buf)))
> 0)
                    if (write_not_cancel (fd, buf, n2) != n2)
                        break;
                    close_not_cancel_no_status (fd2);
            }
        }

        /* Terminate the process. */
        abort ();
    }

```

The most important and interesting is "`__backtrace`" function. It's very easy to crash the SSP code on read access violation (AV) in the depth of function calls through the "`__backtrace`". Backtracing in gcc heavily use DWARF. Before we analyze source code in details, it's good time to describe a bit more what and how is DWARF used for...

"Debugging With Attributed Record Formats" – DWARF.

DWARF is a debugging format used to describe programs in C and other similar programming languages. It is most widely associated with the ELF object format but it has been used with other object file formats. Additionally gcc uses DWARF mechanism for stack unwinding in general, and also for C++ exception handling.

To handle an exception, the stack must be unwound. Unfortunately this problem can't be shortened just to the walk the call stack following return address pointers to find all call frames. Mainly because this information are not enough to restore execution to an exception handler as well as this process does not respect register state. To solve this problems Call-Frame Information section (unwinding information) of the DWARF standard has been adopted (with some changes) for exception handling.

Quoting the excellent research paper "Exploiting the hard-working dwarf" by James Oakley and Sergey Bratus:

```
"Conceptually, what this unwinding information describes is a large table. The rows of the table correspond to machine instructions in the program text, and the columns correspond to registers and Canonical Frame Address (CFA). Each row describes how to restore the machine state (the values of the registers and CFA) for every instruction at the previous call frame as if control were to return up the stack from that instruction. DWARF allows for an arbitrary number of registers, identified merely by number. It is up to individual ABIs to define a mapping between DWARF register numbers and the hardware registers. The DWARF registers are not required to map to actual hardware registers, but may be used internally, as is often done with a DWARF register for the return address. Each cell of this table holds a rule detailing how the contents of the register will be restored for the previous call frame. DWARF allows for several types of rules, and the curious reader is invited to find them in the DWARF standard. Most registers are restored either from another register or from a memory location accessed at some offset from the CFA.
```

```
We note that this table, if constructed in its entirety, would be absurdly large, larger than the text of the program itself. There are many empty cells and many duplicated entries in columns. Much of the DWARF call frame information standard is essentially a compression technique, allowing to provide sufficient information at runtime to build parts of the table as needed without the full, prohibitively large, table ever being built or stored. This compression is performed by introducing the concept of Frame Description Entities (FDEs) and DWARF instructions. An FDE corresponds to a logical block of program text and describes how unwinding may be done from within that block. Each FDE contains a series of DWARF instructions. Each instruction either specifies
```

one of the column rules (registers) as from our table above or specifies which text locations the register rules apply to."

More details may be found in [DWARF Debugging Standard Website](#).

It is also worthiest to understand how exception handler is encoded and handled because conception of backtracing in gcc is very similar (to be honest, almost the same excluding call to the EH – personality routine) to the backtracing which we want to analyze ("__backtrace" function). I want to quote again James Oakley's and Sergey Bratus's paper:

"DWARF is designed as a debugging format, where the debugger is in control of how far to unwind the stack. DWARF therefore does not provide any mechanism to govern halting the unwinding process. What it does provide is the means for augmentation to the standard. Certain DWARF data structures include an augmentation string, the contents of which are implementation defined, allowing a DWARF producer to communicate to a compatible DWARF consumer information not controlled by the standard. The augmentations to be used on Linux and x86 64 are well-defined. These augmentations allow a language-specific data area (LSDA) and personality routine to be associated with every FDE.

When unwinding an FDE, the exception handling process is required to call the personality routine associated with the FDE. The personality routine interprets the LSDA and determines if a handler for the exception has been found. The actual contents of the LSDA are not defined by any standard, and two separate compilation units originally written in different languages and using different LSDA formats may coexist in the same program, as they will be served by separate personality routines.

The result of these design decisions is that the encoding of where exception handlers are located and what type of exceptions they handle is mostly nonstandardized. The best known source of information on the format used by gcc is the verbose assembly code generated by gcc. (...) In an ELF binary, the section .gcc_except_table contains the LSDAs. In the environment we are concerned with, an LSDA breaks the text region described by the corresponding FDE into call sites. Each call site corresponds to code within a try block (to use C++ terminology) and has a pointer to a chain of C++ typeinfo descriptors. These objects are used by the personality routine to determine whether the thrown exception can be handled in the current frame.

(...)

During Exception Process, libgcc computes the machine state as a result of the unwinding, directly restores the necessary registers, and then returns into the handler code, which is known as the landing pad. We note that, at least in current (4.5.2) gcc implementations, this means that at the time execution is first returned to the handler code, the data from which the registers were restored will still be present below the stack pointer until it is overwritten"

Now we have solid knowledge about DWARF itself and some expectation how gcc should use it in backtracing algorithm. Let's analyze following code:

```
"sysdeps/x86_64/backtrace.c"
int
__backtrace (array, size)
    void **array;
    int size;
{
    struct trace_arg arg = { .array = array, .cfa = 0, .size = size,
    .cnt = -1 };
#ifdef SHARED
    __libc_once_define (static, once);

    __libc_once (once, init);
    if (unwind_backtrace == NULL)
        return 0;
#endif

    if (size >= 1)
        unwind_backtrace (backtrace_helper, &arg);

    /* _Unwind_Backtrace seems to put NULL address above
    _start. Fix it up here. */
    if (arg.cnt > 1 && arg.array[arg.cnt - 1] == NULL)
        --arg.cnt;
    return arg.cnt != -1 ? arg.cnt : 0;
}
weak_alias (__backtrace, backtrace)
libc_hidden_def (__backtrace)
```

Where:

```
static _Unwind_Reason_Code (*unwind_backtrace) (_Unwind_Trace_Fn,
void *);
...
static void *libgcc_handle;
...
...
libgcc_handle = __libc_dlopen ("libgcc_s.so.1");
...
unwind_backtrace = __libc_dlsym (libgcc_handle,
"_Unwind_Backtrace");
...
```

Before we move to the "_Unwind_Backtrace" function, let's see helper function passed as an argument to it:

```
static _Unwind_Reason_Code
backtrace_helper (struct _Unwind_Context *ctx, void *a)
```

```
{
  struct trace_arg *arg = a;

  /* We are first called with address in the __backtrace function.
   * Skip it. */
  if (arg->cnt != -1)
  {
    arg->array[arg->cnt] = (void *) unwind_getip (ctx);

    /* Check whether we make any progress. */
    _Unwind_Word cfa = unwind_getcfa (ctx);

    if (arg->cnt > 0 && arg->array[arg->cnt - 1] == arg->array[arg->cnt]
        && cfa == arg->cfa)
      return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
    arg->cfa = cfa;
  }
  if (++arg->cnt == arg->size)
    return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
  return _URC_NO_REASON;
}
```

Where:

```
unwind_getip = __libc_dlsym (libgcc_handle, "_Unwind_GetIP");
unwind_getcfa = (__libc_dlsym (libgcc_handle, "_Unwind_GetCFA")
                 ?: dummy_getcfa);

inline _Unwind_Ptr
_Unwind_GetIP (struct _Unwind_Context *context)
{
  return (_Unwind_Ptr) context->ra;
}

_Unwind_Word
_Unwind_GetCFA (struct _Unwind_Context *context)
{
  return (_Unwind_Ptr) context->cfa;
}
```

In short, helper function is responsible for checking if there is any “progress” in stack unwinding by analyzing CFA. It also prevents from the looping around the same frames.

Returning to the main unwinding function:

```
"libgcc/unwind.inc"
/* Perform stack backtrace through unwind data. */

_Unwind_Reason_Code LIBGCC2_UNWIND_ATTRIBUTE
_Unwind_Backtrace(_Unwind_Trace_Fn trace, void * trace_argument)
{
```

```
struct _Unwind_Context context;
_Unwind_Reason_Code code;

uw_init_context (&context);

while (1)
{
    _Unwind_FrameState fs;

    /* Set up fs to describe the FDE for the caller of context.
   */
    code = uw_frame_state_for (&context, &fs);
    if (code != _URC_NO_REASON && code != _URC_END_OF_STACK)
        return _URC_FATAL_PHASE1_ERROR;

    /* Call trace function. */
    if ((*trace) (&context, trace_argument) != _URC_NO_REASON)
        return _URC_FATAL_PHASE1_ERROR;

    /* We're done at end of stack. */
    if (code == _URC_END_OF_STACK)
        break;

    /* Update context to describe the same frame as fs. */
    uw_update_context (&context, &fs);
}

return code;
}
```

In short this function is responsible for setting up current frame state ("fs" variable) based on current context. After that "context" is updated for the next frame and parsing starts again. This infinite loop will break if algorithm detects that current frame is the last one ("_URC_END_OF_STACK").

Let's move to the most important function in this algorithm:

```
"libgcc/unwind-dw2.c"
/* Given the _Unwind_Context CONTEXT for a stack frame, look up
the FDE for
its caller and decode it into FS. This function also sets the
args_size and lsdas members of CONTEXT, as they are really
information
about the caller's frame. */

static _Unwind_Reason_Code
uw_frame_state_for (struct _Unwind_Context *context,
_Unwind_FrameState *fs)
{
    const struct dwarf_fde *fde;
    const struct dwarf_cie *cie;
    const unsigned char *aug, *insn, *end;
```

```

memset (fs, 0, sizeof (*fs));
context->args_size = 0;
context->lsda = 0;

if (context->ra == 0)
    return _URC_END_OF_STACK;

fde = _Unwind_Find_FDE (context->ra + _Unwind_IsSignalFrame
(context) - 1,
                        &context->bases);
if (fde == NULL)
{
#ifdef MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR
    /* Couldn't find frame unwind info for this function. Try a
target-specific fallback mechanism. This will
necessarily
not provide a personality routine or LSDA. */
    return MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR (context, fs);
#else
    return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
#endif
}

fs->pc = context->bases.func;

cie = get_cie (fde);
insn = extract_cie_info (cie, context, fs);
if (insn == NULL)
    /* CIE contained unknown augmentation. */
    return _URC_FATAL_PHASE1_ERROR;

/* First decode all the insns in the CIE. */
end = (const unsigned char *) next_fde ((const struct dwarf_fde
*) cie);
execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);

/* Locate augmentation for the fde. */
aug = (const unsigned char *) fde + sizeof (*fde);
aug += 2 * size_of_encoded_value (fs->fde_encoding);
insn = NULL;
if (fs->saw_z)
{
    _uleb128_t i;
    aug = read_uleb128 (aug, &i);
    insn = aug + i;
}
if (fs->lsda_encoding != DW_EH_PE_omit)
{
    _Unwind_Ptr lsda;

    aug = read_encoded_value (context, fs->lsda_encoding, aug,
&lsda);
}

```

```
    context->lsda = (void *) lsda;
}

/* Then the insns in the FDE up to our target PC. */
if (insn == NULL)
    insn = aug;
end = (const unsigned char *) next_fde (fde);
execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);

return _URC_NO_REASON;
}
```

If return address of current context is 0 (which is indicator for the end of stack) function immediately returns. Otherwise complicated "_Unwind_Find_FDE" function is called. The main goal of it is to find FDE object based on current context and return address:

```
const fde *
_Unwind_Find_FDE (void *pc, struct dwarf_eh_bases *bases)
{
    struct object *ob;
    const fde *f = NULL;

    init_object_mutex_once ();
    __gthread_mutex_lock (&object_mutex);

    /* Linear search through the classified objects, to find the one
    and containing the pc. Note that pc_begin is sorted descending,
    we expect objects to be non-overlapping. */
    for (ob = seen_objects; ob; ob = ob->next)
        if (pc >= ob->pc_begin)
            {
                f = search_object (ob, pc);
                if (f)
                    goto fini;
                break;
            }

    /* Classify and search the objects we've not yet processed. */
    while ((ob = unseen_objects))
        {
            struct object **p;

            unseen_objects = ob->next;
            f = search_object (ob, pc);

            /* Insert the object into the classified list. */
            for (p = &seen_objects; *p ; p = &(*p)->next)
                if ((*p)->pc_begin < ob->pc_begin)
                    break;
            ob->next = *p;
        }
}
```

```
        *p = ob;

        if (f)
            goto fini;
    }
fini:
    __gthread_mutex_unlock (&object_mutex);

    if (f)
    {
        int encoding;
        _Unwind_Ptr func;

        bases->tbase = ob->tbase;
        bases->dbase = ob->dbase;

        encoding = ob->s.b.encoding;
        if (ob->s.b.mixed_encoding)
            encoding = get_fde_encoding (f);
        read_encoded_value_with_base (encoding, base_from_object
(encoding, ob),
                                     f->pc_begin, &func);
        bases->func = (void *) func;
    }

    return f;
}
```

This function is responsible to find out FDE object based on current return address read from the frame (which can be fully controllable by us). The key function is "search_object":

```
static const fde *
search_object (struct object* ob, void *pc)
{
    /* If the data hasn't been sorted, try to do this now. We may
have
more memory available than last time we tried. */
    if (! ob->s.b.sorted)
    {
        init_object (ob);

        /* Despite the above comment, the normal reason to get here
is
that we've not processed this object before. A quick
range
check is in order. */
        if (pc < ob->pc_begin)
            return NULL;
    }

    if (ob->s.b.sorted)
```

```
{
    if (ob->s.b.mixed_encoding)
        return binary_search_mixed_encoding_fdes (ob, pc);
    else if (ob->s.b.encoding == DW_EH_PE_ahptr)
        return binary_search_unencoded_fdes (ob, pc);
    else
        return binary_search_single_encoding_fdes (ob, pc);
}
else
{
    /* Long slow laborious linear search, cos we've no memory.
*/
    if (ob->s.b.from_array)
    {
        fde **p;
        for (p = ob->u.array; *p ; p++)
        {
            const fde *f = linear_search_fdes (ob, *p, pc);
            if (f)
                return f;
        }
        return NULL;
    }
    else
        return linear_search_fdes (ob, ob->u.single, pc);
}
}
```

In general, different type of searching algorithm is executed ("binary_search_mixed_encoding_fdes", "binary_search_unencoded_fdes", "binary_search_single_encoding_fdes", "linear_search_fdes"). Each of the function depends on return address as a range of search. Because at stack overflow bugs we fully control return address we can point it to the memory where special prepared bytes can be recognized as correct (or not) and specific existing in the process FDE object can be chosen.

Next based on what "_Unwind_Find_FDE" found (or not) CIE object may be calculated. Quoting gcc internal source code comments:

```
/*
CIE - Common Information Element
FDE - Frame Descriptor Element
```

There is one per function, and it describes where the function code is located, and what the register lifetimes and stack layout are within the function.

The data structures are defined in the DWARF specification, although not in a very readable way (see LITERATURE).

Every time an exception is thrown, the code needs to locate the FDE for the current function, and starts to look for exception regions from that FDE. This works in a two-level search:

- a) in a linear search, find the shared image (i.e. DLL)

- containing the PC
- b) using the FDE table for that shared object, locate the FDE using binary search (which requires the sorting). */

This is quite interesting situation because we can choose which code path to execute. Let's at first simulate (analyze) easier one – none of the FDE objects was found. In this case following lines are executed:

```
    if (fde == NULL)
    {
#ifdef MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR
        /* Couldn't find frame unwind info for this function. Try a
           target-specific fallback mechanism. This will
           necessarily
           not provide a personality routine or LSDA. */
        return MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR (context, fs);
#else
        return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
#endif
    }
```

"MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR" is defined by default so:

```
obj-x86_64-redhat-linux/x86_64-redhat-linux/libgcc/md-unwind-
support.h:
#define MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR x86_64_fallback_frame_state

obj-x86_64-redhat-linux/x86_64-redhat-linux/libgcc/md-unwind-
support.h:
#define MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR x86_fallback_frame_state
```

I'm using 64 bits VM for this research so this case will be analyzed. Fortunately there is not much differences between them:

```
static _Unwind_Reason_Code
x86_64_fallback_frame_state (struct _Unwind_Context *context,
                             _Unwind_FrameState *fs)
{
    unsigned char *pc = context->ra;
    struct sigcontext *sc;
    long new_cfa;

    /* movq $__NR_rt_sigreturn, %rax ; syscall. */
#ifdef __LP64__
#define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL    0x050f000000fc0c7ULL
#else
#define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL    0x050f40000201c0c7ULL
#endif
    if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48
        && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1) == RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
    {
        struct ucontext *uc_ = context->cfa;
```

```

    /* The void * cast is necessary to avoid an aliasing warning.
       The aliasing warning is correct, but should not be a
problem
       because it does not alias anything. */
    sc = (struct sigcontext *) (void *) &uc_>uc_mcontext;
}
else
    return _URC_END_OF_STACK;

new_cfa = sc->rsp;
fs->regs.cfa_how = CFA_REG_OFFSET;
/* Register 7 is rsp */
fs->regs.cfa_reg = 7;
fs->regs.cfa_offset = new_cfa - (long) context->cfa;

/* The SVR4 register numbering macros aren't usable in libgcc.
*/
fs->regs.reg[0].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[0].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rax - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[1].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[1].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdx - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[2].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[2].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rcx - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[3].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[3].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbx - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[4].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[4].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rsi - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[5].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[5].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdi - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[6].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[6].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbp - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[8].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[8].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r8 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[9].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[9].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r9 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[10].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[10].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r10 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[11].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[11].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r11 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[12].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[12].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r12 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[13].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[13].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r13 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[14].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[14].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r14 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[15].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[15].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r15 - new_cfa;
fs->regs.reg[16].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
fs->regs.reg[16].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rip - new_cfa;
fs->retaddr_column = 16;
fs->signal_frame = 1;
return _URC_NO_REASON;

```

```
}
```

Following line:

```
unsigned char *pc = context->ra;
```

Assigns our controllable return address to the "pc" pointer (program counter). Without any validation following references are done:

```
if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48
    && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1) == RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
```

That's why SSP by default crashes at this lines of code whenever return address is overwritten by random address. What happen if we point it to the controllable and valid memory (which of course may be safely referenced)?

```
struct ucontext *uc_ = context->cfa;
sc = (struct sigcontext *) (void *) &uc_->uc_mcontext;
```

At this point we control signal context:

```
struct sigcontext *sc;
```

The rest of the code fills in frame state ("`_Unwind_FrameState *fs`") using our controllable values. After this operation code will return to the main unwinding loop ("`_Unwind_Backtrace`" function). Next helper function overtake the control via following call:

```
if ((*trace) (&context, trace_argument) != _URC_NO_REASON)
```

As I described this function before, helper function is responsible for checking if there is any "progress" in stack unwinding by analyzing CFA. It also prevents from the looping around the same frames. What is important it uses following data:

```
return (_Unwind_Ptr) context->ra;    <- _Unwind_GetIP function
return (_Unwind_Ptr) context->cfa;    <- _Unwind_GetCFA function
```

Both values are fully controllable. In the end of the unwinding loop, context is updated ("`uw_update_context`"). At this point new frame is found and parsed (using our fully controllable data):

```
/* CONTEXT describes the unwind state for a frame, and FS describes
the FDE
of its caller. Update CONTEXT to refer to the caller as well.
Note
that the args_size and lsdas members are not updated here, but
later in
uw_frame_state_for. */

static void
```

```
uw_update_context (struct _Unwind_Context *context,
_Unwind_FrameState *fs)
{
    uw_update_context_1 (context, fs);

    /* In general this unwinder doesn't make any distinction between
       undefined and same_value rule. Call-saved registers are
       assumed
       to have same_value rule by default and explicit undefined
       rule is handled like same_value. The only exception is
       DW_CFA_undefined on retaddr_column which is supposed to
       mark outermost frame in DWARF 3. */
    if (fs->regs.reg[DWARF_REG_TO_UNWIND_COLUMN] (fs-
>retaddr_column)].how
        == REG_UNDEFINED)
        /* uw_frame_state_for uses context->ra == 0 check to find
           outermost
           stack frame. */
        context->ra = 0;
    else
        /* Compute the return address now, since the return address
           column
           can change from frame to frame. */
        context->ra = __builtin_extract_return_addr
            (_Unwind_GetPtr (context, fs->retaddr_column));
}
```

This is just a wrapper to "uw_update_context_1". Before we analyze it, let's quickly look for further if-else block. We are interested in "else" case which updates return address in the context:

```
context->ra = __builtin_extract_return_addr
    (_Unwind_GetPtr (context, fs->retaddr_column));
```

Quoting the gcc documentation:

```
"Built-in Function:
void * __builtin_extract_return_addr (void *addr)
```

The address as returned by `__builtin_return_address` may have to be fed through this function to get the actual encoded address. For example, on the 31-bit S/390 platform the highest bit has to be masked out, or on SPARC platforms an offset has to be added for the true next instruction to be executed.

If no fixup is needed, this function simply passes through `addr`."

What does "`_Unwind_GetPtr`" do?

```
static inline void *
_Unwind_GetPtr (struct _Unwind_Context *context, int index)
```

```
{  
    return (void *) (_Unwind_Ptr) _Unwind_GetGR (context, index);  
}
```

where:

```
_Unwind_GetGR (struct _Unwind_Context *context, int index)  
{  
    int size;  
    _Unwind_Context_Reg_Val val;  
  
#ifdef DWARF_ZERO_REG  
    if (index == DWARF_ZERO_REG)  
        return 0;  
#endif  
  
    index = DWARF_REG_TO_UNWIND_COLUMN (index);  
    gcc_assert (index < (int) sizeof(dwarf_reg_size_table));  
    size = dwarf_reg_size_table[index];  
    val = context->reg[index];  
  
    if (_Unwind_IsExtendedContext (context) && context->  
>by_value[index])  
        return _Unwind_Get_Unwind_Word (val);  
  
    /* This will segfault if the register hasn't been saved. */  
    if (size == sizeof(_Unwind_Ptr))  
        return * (_Unwind_Ptr *) (_Unwind_Internal_Ptr) val;  
    else  
    {  
        gcc_assert (size == sizeof(_Unwind_Word));  
        return * (_Unwind_Word *) (_Unwind_Internal_Ptr) val;  
    }  
}
```

In short, this function takes from the context register, value corresponded to the "index" value. It will be value from the return address register in our case.

What does "uw_update_context_1" function do? It's complicated function which plays with CFA. In short function trying to calculate CFA through the saved frame pointer. If frame pointer is not saved (might happen in many architectures or in case of "-fomit-frame-pointer" flag) tracking new CFA is done via analyzing previous one.

After recalculating new CFA, context is updated by the current registers value in that specific frame. In some cases "execute_stack_op" function is executed. It's again complicated function which operates on gcc internal structures. In this case function:

```
"Decode a DW_OP stack program"
```

Which is DWARF expression. If every function is finished and new return address is calculated, whole main loop is executed again to analyze newly calculated context for current frame (newly found one). The whole

story starts again. If newly calculated frame have **return address pointing somewhere in the unreachable memory, program will crash at read AV** (immediate dereference of return address pointer which shouldn't be trusted).

(Un)Fortunately I was not able to change read AV to any kind of write AV or anything controllable which can give me code execution. Maybe I'm too stupid to play with DWARF algorithm and someone finds a way how to do that. Be aware that we control almost whole context and internal structures, but I was not able to find a way of controlling any metadata in this algorithm (we can look at it as state/stack machine), excluding CFA itself and context which is used for dumping necessary informations (debugging, so memory sections are parsed etc.) and calculating next/new frame...

It's also common to be killed by "gcc_unreachable" function. It's called whenever some internal function detects that values in the context which points to the critical data are not as it supposed to be. Similar situation can happen by "gcc_assert" function. Everything need to be perfect aligned and has perfect values if we don't want to be killed...

In further section of this write-up I'm going to simulate this scenario under debugger (gdb).

OK, this was the case if algorithm didn't find any FDE. Would be nice to see what might happen in case any FDE was found.

The last scenario (hard one) is in case of calculating FDE object. In this case is even worse and more complicated ;) In theory we have bigger chance of creating write AV / code exec, (un)fortunately I was not able to do that neither. Let's start...

Function "uw_frame_state_for" instead of calling "x86_64_fallback_frame_state" goes further...

```
fs->pc = context->bases.func;

cie = get_cie (fde);
insn = extract_cie_info (cie, context, fs);
if (insn == NULL)
    /* CIE contained unknown augmentation. */
    return _URC_FATAL_PHASE1_ERROR;

/* First decode all the insns in the CIE. */
end = (const unsigned char *) next_fde ((const struct dwarf_fde
*) cie);
execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
```

If FDE was found, CIE object is calculated relative to FDE:

```
static inline const struct dwarf_cie *
get_cie (const struct dwarf_fde *f)
{
    return (const void *)&f->CIE_delta - f->CIE_delta;
}
```

"extract_cie_info" function parses current CIE object and extract necessary information which are assigned to the frame state ("fs") structure. Additionally this function returns pointer to the byte after the augmentation or NULL if undecipherable augmentation was encountered. From this pointer next FDE is calculated to get all possible instructions for the current FDE. Now it's time to execute BIG and complicated function - "execute_cfa_program".

At first, how next FDE is calculated? In very simple way:

```
static inline const fde *
next_fde (const fde *f)
{
    return (const fde *) ((const char *) f + f->length + sizeof (f->length));
}
```

Let's back to the main problem. What does "execute_cfa_program" do? Quoting internal comments:

```
/* Decode DWARF 2 call frame information. Takes pointers the
   instruction sequence to decode, current register information
   and
   CIE info, and the PC range to evaluate. */
```

Further:

```
/* The comparison with the return address uses < rather than <=
   because
   we are only interested in the effects of code before the call;
   for a
   noreturn function, the return address may point to unrelated
   code with
   a different stack configuration that we are not interested
   in. We
   assume that the call itself is unwind info-neutral; if not,
   or if
   there are delay instructions that adjust the stack, these must
   be
   reflected at the point immediately before the call insn.
   In signal frames, return address is after last completed
   instruction,
   so we add 1 to return address to make the comparison <=. */
```

Apparently this function "emulates" DWARF instruction and/or expression. It may be seen as a core of DWARF state (stack) machine. In the meantime frame status ("fs") is updated using currently parsed data. If unexpected bytes are parsed, process is killed via "gcc_unreachable" function.

This function is executed twice in the "uw_frame_state_for" function - for current FDE and upper one. Next function is returned to the main loop and this process might happen again (or previously analyzed one). I was not able to force this algorithm (state machine) to execute my code or to do write-AV. Again only Read AV or killing process was achieved.

The main problem is we can't create own FDE but we can still use existing one by confusing DWARF machine (via controlling return address). Every program has hundreds of existing FDEs. Even if developer didn't write any Exception Handler (EH), dynamic libraries may have one. Additionally gcc may create some. Following listening shows how many potential FDEs exists in example program and in libc:

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ readelf -w ./test|grep FDE|sort -u|uniq
00000018 00000014 0000001c FDE cie=00000000 pc=00400540..0040056a
00000048 00000024 0000001c FDE cie=00000030 pc=004004d0..00400540
00000070 0000001c 00000044 FDE cie=00000030 pc=00400630..004006b3
00000090 00000044 00000064 FDE cie=00000030 pc=004006c0..00400725
000000d8 00000014 000000ac FDE cie=00000030 pc=00400730..00400732
[pi3@localhost ~]$ readelf -w /lib/libc-2.17.so|grep FDE|sort -
u|uniq|wc -l
3665
```

FDE with DWARF expressions (not only DWARF instructions):

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ readelf -w ./test|grep DW_OP
DW_CFA_def_cfa_expression (DW_OP_breg7 (rsp): 8; DW_OP_breg16
(rip): 0; DW_OP_lit15; DW_OP_and; DW_OP_lit11;
DW_OP_ge; DW_OP_lit3; DW_OP_shl; DW_OP_plus)
[pi3@localhost ~]$ readelf -w /lib/libc-2.17.so|grep DW_OP|wc -l
2140
```

The Lord of the rings and DWARF stories... ;)

At this point I would like to dream a bit... What may happen if we were able to create own FDE? We would be able to create any DWARF instruction and/or expression! In that case we can try to exploit DWARF state (stack) machine itself. Is there any potential code for it? Apparently yes... gcc fixed important bug in DWARF on May 17, 2013. Let's look for DWARF DW_CFA_register instruction before fix:

```
case DW_CFA_register:
{
    _uleb128_t reg2;
    insn_ptr = read_uleb128 (insn_ptr, &reg);
    insn_ptr = read_uleb128 (insn_ptr, &reg2);
    fs->regs.reg[DWARF_REG_TO_UNWIND_COLUMN (reg)].how =
REG_SAVED_REG;
    fs->regs.reg[DWARF_REG_TO_UNWIND_COLUMN (reg)].loc.reg
=
    (_Unwind_Word) reg2;
}
break;
```

and after:

```
case DW_CFA_register:
{
    _uleb128_t reg2;
    insn_ptr = read_uleb128 (insn_ptr, &reg);
```

```

insn_ptr = read_uleb128 (insn_ptr, &reg2);
reg = DWARF_REG_TO_UNWIND_COLUMN (reg);
if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE (reg))
{
    fs->regs.reg[reg].how = REG_SAVED_REG;
    fs->regs.reg[reg].loc.reg = (_Unwind_Word) reg2;
}
}
break;

```

where:

```

#define UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE(x) \
    __builtin_expect((x) <= DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS, 1)

```

And:

```

#define DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS 17

```

Any code compiled by gcc without following patch, is trivial to exploit – but this is just random ideas.

Btw. Very interesting challenge was introduced in codegate 2014 CTF which required DWARF exploiting as well. Only one team solved this problem – PPP. In their case EH was executed by throwing an exception in SIGSEGV handler. They had primitive to overwrite "frame_hdr_cache_head" pointer which points to the resolved FDEs (EH). Because of that they were able to create own FDE and CIE object, which are parsed in the DWARF exception handling algorithm. If personality routine exist (knowledge based on the controllable CIE object), pointer is extracted, "fs" updated and in the end EH called. I do recommend to read Brian Pak's write-up on his blog:

<http://www.bpak.org/blog/2014/02/codegate-2014-membership-800pt-pwnable-write-up/>

In further section of this write-up I'm going to simulate similar scenario under debugger (gdb).

Random ideas...

Not security related...

OK, let's summarize what can be done (with SPP) from the non-security perspective:

1. We can change program's name (from SSP perspective) via overwriting memory region where pointer to "argv[0]" points to.
2. We can crash Stack Smashing Protector code in many ways:
 - a. Via corrupting memory region pointed by "__environ" variable.
 - b. Via setting "LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_" to the edge of valid addresses.
 - c. Via forcing "alloca()" to fail – e.g. stack exhaustion.
 - d. There is one more bug which I'm analyzing more comprehensively at point 4. It may indirectly force SSP to crash. It exists in DWARF stack (state) machine which is responsible for gathering information about the stack trace ("__backtrace()") and prints it.

3. We can slightly control SSP's execution flow. (Un)Fortunately it doesn't have any influence for the main execution (what about security?). Following scenarios are possible:
 - a. Force SSP to open `"/dev/tty"`
 - b. Force SSP *not* to open `"/dev/tty"` and assign to the `"fd"` descriptor `"STDERR_FILENO"` value:


```
#define    STDERR_FILENO    2    /* Standard error output.  */
```
 - c. Crash SSP via 2b. scenario
4. We can crash indirectly SSP via unwinding algorithm (read-AV or we can be killed by `"gcc_unreachable"` or `"gcc_assert"` function) – DWARF stack (state) machine:
 - a. Simulate FDE object was not found
 - b. Simulate FDE object was found.

Somehow security related...

1. **We can force SSP to allocate a lot of memory and cause Denial of Service via Resource Exhaustion attack.**

This need to be explained a little bit more... We are controlling a following variable:

```
ssize_t total = 0;
```

Which at one point is used as second argument in the `"mmap ()"` function:

```
void *mmap(void *addr, size_t len, int prot, int flags, int
fildes, off_t off);
```

Someone may realize that `"ssize_t"` is cast to the `"size_t"` type. Apparently it doesn't matter here. What is important, how is `"(s) size_t"` defined? C99 standard from 2007 says:

"7.17 Common definitions <stddef.h>

...

...

`size_t`

which is the unsigned integer type of the result of the `sizeof` operator; "

and reading further:

"The types used for `size_t` and `ptrdiff_t` should not have an integer conversion rank greater than that of signed long int unless the implementation supports objects large enough to make this necessary."

Which effectively means for 32 bits `(s) size_t == "int"` but for 64 bits `(s) size_t == "long"`. This type always covers whole process memory address space. Because of that we can't overflow `total` variable. We may only control one component used for calculation. This component is calculated via `strlen()` function and will never returns need number (around `0xFFFFF000` on 32 bits and around `0xFFFFFFFFFFFF000` for 64 bits).

(Un)Fortunately we are still able to force SSP to dynamically allocate relatively large piece of memory and force it to recopy existing data from the process memory space to the newly allocated buffer. If you do it in very careful way you can try to point to the data which was paged out (swapped out) which force system to execute relatively heavy operation of paging in this data again to the user's working set. Next because each page in the newly allocated memory will be referenced (copy operation via `memcpy()` function) system will generate page fault for them and will be forced to make real allocation (make it available in current working set) and recopy physical data from one physical page to another. Additional if the longest consistent chunk of memory you can find, it will be more effective attack.

Of course it's still controversial if we may assign that scenario to the Resource Exhaustion bucket or not... From my perspective it should be but I can also understand if someone disagree with that.

2. Theoretical Information leak.

If you look closer to the Not security related ideas at point 3b in some very rare situations (impossible in real world?) remote information leak vulnerability may exists. This scenario statically assign to the `fd` descriptor value 2 which by default corresponds to the output stream for errors. Unfortunately you have no guarantee that process didn't change that. It is possible that application map this descriptor to some opened client's socket (e.g. via common `dup2()` function). This scenario may happened for any application (library?) which emulates pseudoterminals etc. Even more rare situation may happened, if application for some reason closes descriptor number 2 and later tries to open anything (file, device, etc) or tries to create socket, by default this number (2) will be reused (may be done e.g. by some kind of vulnerability which allows you to close what you want). SSP sends the output like application name (which is read from the pointer which may be corrupted), stack trace, etc. exactly to the `fd` descriptor. If you are able to corrupt application name pointer to something you want to leak, it will be send to the descriptor 2 (which could be a socket corresponded to the client's connection).

Possible theoretical attack scenarios:

- a) **Stack cookie Information leak.** If application call any protected function after the stack overflow happened, cookie won't be overflowed and it will be still save to leak it from the stack. This scenario allows you to defeat SSP protection in two shots. First, you force SSP to leak stack cookie. Second shot, you prepare fully working overflow stream (which will include correct cookie value). Of course this scenario will be possible only in `fork()`-like applications (exclude applications which do `fork()` + `exec*()` like OpenSSH or Postfix).

You also need to know stack segment address. If ASLR is enabled, first you can leak stack segment address and next continue original stack cookie information leak attack.

- b) **Any kind of information leak.** You can leak whatever you like. It may be useful for ASLR defeating as normal image process leak (shared library base address, if PIE binary, program's image base address). Leak any kind of the secret from application if won't be destroyed via this theoretical attack itself.
- c) **File corruption.** If descriptor will be assigned (correspond) to any file, SSP's output will corrupt this file. Another theoretical scenario is when you corrupt program's name pointer to the data which you fully control, you can corrupt the file with the data which you exactly want. Especially dangerous if critical files are opened (like "passwd / shadow / services", etc.).

Lazy practice...

I'm too lazy to test all possible scenarios that's why I did only few of them...

At first let's create very simple vulnerable program:

```
#include <stdio.h>

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

    char buf[100];

    memset(buf,0x0,sizeof(buf));
    if (argv[1])
        strcpy(buf,argv[1]);

    printf("DONE!\n");
    return 0;

}
```

and compile with "-fstack-protector-all" flag:

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ gcc test.c -o test -g -ggdb -fstack-protector-
all
test.c: In function 'main':
test.c:7:4: warning: incompatible implicit declaration of built-
in function 'memset' [enabled by default]
    memset(buf,0x0,sizeof(buf));
    ^
```

```
test.c:9:7: warning: incompatible implicit declaration of built-  
in function 'strcpy' [enabled by default]
```

```
    strcpy(buf,argv[1]);  
    ^
```

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ ./test `perl -e 'print "A"x110'`  
DONE!
```

```
*** stack smashing detected ***: ./test terminated
```

```
=====  
Backtrace: =====
```

```
/lib64/libc.so.6(__fortify_fail+0x37) [0x35c190d6b7]  
/lib64/libc.so.6(__fortify_fail+0x0) [0x35c190d680]  
./test[0x40075a]  
/lib64/libc.so.6(__libc_start_main+0xf5) [0x35c1821b75]  
./test[0x4005f9]
```

```
=====  
Memory map: =====
```

```
00400000-00401000 r-xp 00000000 fd: 02 262194  
/home/pi3/test  
00600000-00601000 r--p 00000000 fd: 02 262194  
/home/pi3/test  
00601000-00602000 rw-p 00001000 fd: 02 262194  
/home/pi3/test  
018e7000-01908000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0  
[heap]  
35c1000000-35c1021000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061612  
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so  
35c1220000-35c1221000 r--p 00020000 fd:01 1061612  
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so  
35c1221000-35c1222000 rw-p 00021000 fd:01 1061612  
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so  
35c1222000-35c1223000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0  
35c1800000-35c19b6000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061613  
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so  
35c19b6000-35c1bb6000 ---p 001b6000 fd:01 1061613  
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so  
35c1bb6000-35c1bba000 r--p 001b6000 fd:01 1061613  
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so  
35c1bba000-35c1bbc000 rw-p 001ba000 fd:01 1061613  
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so  
35c1bbc000-35c1bc1000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0  
35c4000000-35c4015000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061670  
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1  
35c4015000-35c4214000 ---p 00015000 fd:01 1061670  
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1  
35c4214000-35c4215000 r--p 00014000 fd:01 1061670  
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1  
35c4215000-35c4216000 rw-p 00015000 fd:01 1061670  
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1  
7f3ab2d94000-7f3ab2d97000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0  
7f3ab2da7000-7f3ab2dab000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0  
7fff57436000-7fff57457000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0  
[stack]  
7fff575d4000-7fff575d6000 r-xp 00000000 00:00 0  
[vdso]
```

```
ffffffffffff600000-ffffffffffff601000 r-xp 00000000 00:00 0
[vsyscall]
Aborted (core dumped)
[pi3@localhost ~]$
```

As you can see SSP works correctly, detects overflow, appropriate information was gained, and process was killed. Everything was printed to the terminal. As we saw in the SSP/Glibc code, SSP also printed following line:

```
*** stack smashing detected ***: ./test terminated
```

Now let's try to cause some bugs in the SSP.

At first, let's try to check if it is possible to change program's name - which is a key point for causing theoretical security related bugs.

Normal SSP run:

```
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x110'`
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x110'`
DONE!
*** stack smashing detected ***: /home/pi3/test terminated
===== Backtrace: =====
/lib64/libc.so.6(__fortify_fail+0x37) [0x35c190d6b7]
/lib64/libc.so.6(__fortify_fail+0x0) [0x35c190d680]
/home/pi3/test[0x4006b1]
/lib64/libc.so.6(__libc_start_main+0xf5) [0x35c1821b75]
/home/pi3/test[0x400569]
===== Memory map: =====
00400000-00401000 r-xp 00000000 fd: 02 262194
/home/pi3/test
00600000-00601000 r--p 00000000 fd: 02 262194
/home/pi3/test
00601000-00602000 rw-p 00001000 fd: 02 262194
/home/pi3/test
00602000-00623000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
[heap]
35c1000000-35c1021000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061612
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so
35c1220000-35c1221000 r--p 00020000 fd:01 1061612
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so
35c1221000-35c1222000 rw-p 00021000 fd:01 1061612
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so
35c1222000-35c1223000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
35c1800000-35c19b6000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
35c19b6000-35c1bb6000 ---p 001b6000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
35c1bb6000-35c1bba000 r--p 001b6000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
```

```
35c1bba000-35c1bbc000 rw-p 001ba000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
35c1bbc000-35c1bc1000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
35c4000000-35c4015000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
35c4015000-35c4214000 ---p 00015000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
35c4214000-35c4215000 r--p 00014000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
35c4215000-35c4216000 rw-p 00015000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
7ffff7fe6000-7ffff7fe9000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
7ffff7ffa000-7ffff7ffd000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
7ffff7ffd000-7ffff7fff000 r-xp 00000000 00:00 0
[vdso]
7ffff7ffe000-7ffff7fff000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
[stack]
fffffffff600000-fffffffff601000 r-xp 00000000 00:00 0
[vsyscall]
```

```
Program received signal SIGABRT, Aborted.
0x00000035c1835a19 in __GI_raise (sig=sig@entry=6) at
../nptl/sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/raise.c:56
56     return INLINE_SYSCALL (tgkill, 3, pid, selftid, sig);
(gdb) print __libc_argv[0]
$10 = 0x7ffffffffffe445 "/home/pi3/test"
(gdb)
```

Re-run and overflow arguments (argv):

```
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x1000'`
The program being debugged has been started already.
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x1000'`
DONE!
```

```
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
__GI_getenv (name=0x35c197bc64 "BC_FATAL_STDERR_",
name@entry=0x35c197bc62 "LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_") at getenv.c:89
89     if (name_start == ep_start && !strncmp (*ep + 2, name,
len)
(gdb) print __libc_argv[0]
$11 = 0x4141414141414141 <Address 0x4141414141414141 out of
bounds>
(gdb)
```

Done. As we expected – it’s possible. Also, stack trace is not printed and program crashed somewhere – we hit one of the described bugs.

Not security related:

Crash 2a:

```
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x5000'`
The program being debugged has been started already.
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x5000'`
DONE!

Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
__GI_getenv (name=0x35c197bc64 "BC_FATAL_STDERR_",
name@entry=0x35c197bc62 "LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_") at getenv.c:89
89         if (name_start == ep_start && !strncmp (*ep + 2, name,
len)
(gdb) bt
#0 __GI_getenv (name=0x35c197bc64 "BC_FATAL_STDERR_",
name@entry=0x35c197bc62 "LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_") at getenv.c:89
#1 0x00000035c18391c2 in __GI___libc_secure_getenv
(name=name@entry=0x35c197bc62 "LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_") at secure-
getenv.c:30
#2 0x00000035c1875a9a in __libc_message
(do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n") at
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:66
#3 0x00000035c190d6b7 in __GI___fortify_fail
(msg=msg@entry=0x35c197d2ea "stack smashing detected") at
fortify_fail.c:31
#4 0x00000035c190d680 in __stack_chk_fail () at
stack_chk_fail.c:28
#5 0x00000000004006b1 in main (argc=2, argv=0x7fffffffce58) at
test.c:15
(gdb) list
84 #else
85     uint16_t ep_start = (((unsigned char *) *ep)[0]
86                         | (((unsigned char *) *ep)[1] << 8));
87 #endif
88
89     if (name_start == ep_start && !strncmp (*ep + 2, name,
len)
90         && (*ep)[len + 2] == '=')
91         return &(*ep)[len + 3];
92     }
93     }
(gdb) x/i $rip
=> 0x35c183892d <__GI_getenv+173>:  cmp    (%rbx),%r12w
(gdb) i r rbx
rbx          0x4141414141414141  4702111234474983745
(gdb) print ep
$12 = (char **) 0x7fffffffce70
(gdb) print *ep
```

```
$13 = 0x4141414141414141 <Address 0x4141414141414141 out of  
bounds>  
(gdb)
```

Crash 2d:

```
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x300`  
The program being debugged has been started already.  
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y  
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x300`  
DONE!  
*** stack smashing detected ***: /home/pi3/test terminated  
  
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.  
x86_64_fallback_frame_state (context=0x7fffffff3a0,  
context=0x7fffffff3a0, fs=0x7fffffff490) at ./md-unwind-  
support.h:58  
58     if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48  
(gdb) bt  
#0  x86_64_fallback_frame_state (context=0x7fffffff3a0,  
context=0x7fffffff3a0, fs=0x7fffffff490)  
    at ./md-unwind-support.h:58  
#1  uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff3a0,  
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff490)  
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1253  
#2  0x00000035c400ff19 in __Unwind_Backtrace (trace=0x35c1909bc0  
<backtrace_helper>, trace_argument=0x7fffffff650)  
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind.inc:290  
#3  0x00000035c1909d36 in __GI__backtrace  
(array=array@entry=0x7fffffff830, size=size@entry=64)  
    at ../sysdeps/x86_64/backtrace.c:109  
#4  0x00000035c1875d64 in __libc_message  
(do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,  
    fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n") at  
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:176  
#5  0x00000035c190d6b7 in __GI__fortify_fail  
(msg=msg@entry=0x35c197d2ea "stack smashing detected") at  
fortify_fail.c:31  
#6  0x00000035c190d680 in __stack_chk_fail () at  
stack_chk_fail.c:28  
#7  0x00000000004006b1 in main (argc=2, argv=0x7fffffff0b8) at  
test.c:15  
(gdb) print context->ra  
$14 = (void *) 0x4141414141414141  
(gdb) x/i $rip  
=> 0x35c400f018 <uw_frame_state_for+1080>:  cmpb    $0x48, (%rcx)  
(gdb) i r rcx  
rcx                0x4141414141414141    4702111234474983745  
(gdb) list 50  
45  x86_64_fallback_frame_state (struct __Unwind_Context *context,
```

```
46         _Unwind_FrameState *fs)
47     {
48         unsigned char *pc = context->ra;
49         struct sigcontext *sc;
50         long new_cfa;
51
52         /* movq $__NR_rt_sigreturn, %rax ; syscall. */
53     #ifndef __LP64__
54     #define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL    0x050f000000fc0c7ULL
55     #else
56     #define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL    0x050f40000201c0c7ULL
57     #endif
58         if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48
59             && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1) ==
RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
60             {
61                 struct ucontext *uc_ = context->cfa;
62                 /* The void * cast is necessary to avoid an aliasing
warning.
```

Scenario 3a:

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ gdb -q -p 16473
Attaching to process 16473
Reading symbols from /home/pi3/test...done.
Reading symbols from /lib64/libc.so.6...Reading symbols from
/usr/lib/debug/lib64/libc-2.17.so.debug...done.
done.
Loaded symbols for /lib64/libc.so.6
Reading symbols from /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2...Reading
symbols from /usr/lib/debug/lib64/ld-2.17.so.debug...done.
done.
Loaded symbols for /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x00000035c18e7650 in __read_nocancel () at
../sysdeps/unix/syscall-template.S:81
81  T_PSEUDO (SYSCALL_SYMBOL, SYSCALL_NAME, SYSCALL_NARGS)
(gdb) break libc_fatal.c:66
Breakpoint 1 at 0x35c1875a37: file
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c, line 66.
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 1, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
    at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:66
66     const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv
("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
(gdb) list
61     FATAL_PREPARE;
62 #endif
```

```
63
64 /* Open a descriptor for /dev/tty unless the user
explicitly
65 requests errors on standard error. */
66 const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv
("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
67 if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
68     fd = open_not_cancel_2 (_PATH_TTY, O_RDWR | O_NOCTTY |
O_NDELAY);
69
70     if (fd == -1)
(gdb) print on_2
$1 = <optimized out>
(gdb) break libc_fatal.c:67
Breakpoint 2 at 0x35c1875a9a: file
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c, line 67.
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 2, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
    at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:67
67     if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
(gdb) print on_2
$2 = 0x0
(gdb) break libc_fatal.c:70
Breakpoint 3 at 0x35c1875abb: file
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c, line 70.
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 3, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
    at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:70
70     if (fd == -1)
<some inline debug jump>
<some inline debug jump>
<some inline debug jump>
(gdb) ni
68     fd = open_not_cancel_2 (_PATH_TTY, O_RDWR | O_NOCTTY |
O_NDELAY);
(gdb) print fd
$4 = -1
(gdb) ni
70     if (fd == -1)
(gdb) print fd
$5 = 3
(gdb)
```

and double check in the list of opened file descriptors for this process:

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ ls -al /proc/16473/fd
total 0
dr-x-----. 2 pi3 pi3  0 Sep 29 11:02 .
dr-xr-xr-x.  9 pi3 pi3  0 Sep 29 11:02 ..
lrwx-----. 1 pi3 pi3 64 Sep 29 11:06 0 -> /dev/pts/3
lrwx-----. 1 pi3 pi3 64 Sep 29 11:06 1 -> /dev/pts/3
lrwx-----. 1 pi3 pi3 64 Sep 29 11:02 2 -> /dev/pts/3
lrwx-----. 1 pi3 pi3 64 Sep 29 11:06 3 -> /dev/tty
[pi3@localhost ~]$
```

Scenario 3b:

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ gdb -q -p 16531
Attaching to process 16531
Reading symbols from /home/pi3/test...done.
Reading symbols from /lib64/libc.so.6...Reading symbols from
/usr/lib/debug/lib64/libc-2.17.so.debug...done.
done.
Loaded symbols for /lib64/libc.so.6
Reading symbols from /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2...Reading
symbols from /usr/lib/debug/lib64/ld-2.17.so.debug...done.
done.
Loaded symbols for /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x00000035c18e7650 in __read_nocancel () at
../sysdeps/unix/syscall-template.S:81
81  T_PSEUDO (SYSCALL_SYMBOL, SYSCALL_NAME, SYSCALL_NARGS)
(gdb) break libc_fatal.c:66
Breakpoint 1 at 0x35c1875a37: file
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c, line 66.
(gdb) break libc_fatal.c:67
Breakpoint 2 at 0x35c1875a9a: file
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c, line 67.
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 1, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
  at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:66
66  const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv
("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
(gdb) break libc_fatal.c:70
Breakpoint 3 at 0x35c1875abb: file
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c, line 70.
(gdb) print on_2
$1 = <optimized out>
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 2, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
```

```
    at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:67
67     if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
(gdb) print on_2
$2 = 0x7fff2b8aafe0 "/tmp/pi3"
(gdb) c
Continuing.
```

and double check:

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ ls -al /proc/16531/fd
total 0
dr-x-----. 2 pi3 pi3  0 Sep 29 11:11 .
dr-xr-xr-x.  9 pi3 pi3  0 Sep 29 11:11 ..
lrwx-----. 1 pi3 pi3 64 Sep 29 11:14 0 -> /dev/pts/3
lrwx-----. 1 pi3 pi3 64 Sep 29 11:14 1 -> /dev/pts/3
lrwx-----. 1 pi3 pi3 64 Sep 29 11:11 2 -> /dev/pts/3
[pi3@localhost ~]$
```

Scenario 4a:

At the beginning let's just prove that simple return address overflow might lead to read-AV crash. First overflow cookie without touching return address:

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ gdb -q ./test
Reading symbols from /home/pi3/test...(no debugging symbols
found)...done.
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x120'`
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x120'`
DONE!
*** stack smashing detected ***: /home/pi3/test terminated
===== Backtrace: =====
/lib64/libc.so.6(__fortify_fail+0x37) [0x35c190d6b7]
/lib64/libc.so.6(__fortify_fail+0x0) [0x35c190d680]
/home/pi3/test[0x4006b1]
/lib64/libc.so.6(__libc_start_main+0x80) [0x35c1821b00]
/home/pi3/test[0x400569]
===== Memory map: =====
00400000-00401000 r-xp 00000000 fd:02 262194
/home/pi3/test
00600000-00601000 r--p 00000000 fd:02 262194
/home/pi3/test
00601000-00602000 rw-p 00001000 fd:02 262194
/home/pi3/test
00602000-00623000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
[heap]
35c1000000-35c1021000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061612
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so
35c1220000-35c1221000 r--p 00020000 fd:01 1061612
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so
35c1221000-35c1222000 rw-p 00021000 fd:01 1061612
/usr/lib64/ld-2.17.so
```

```
35c1222000-35c1223000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
35c1800000-35c19b6000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
35c19b6000-35c1bb6000 ---p 001b6000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
35c1bb6000-35c1bba000 r--p 001b6000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
35c1bba000-35c1bbc000 rw-p 001ba000 fd:01 1061613
/usr/lib64/libc-2.17.so
35c1bbc000-35c1bc1000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
35c4000000-35c4015000 r-xp 00000000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
35c4015000-35c4214000 ---p 00015000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
35c4214000-35c4215000 r--p 00014000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
35c4215000-35c4216000 rw-p 00015000 fd:01 1061670
/usr/lib64/libgcc_s-4.8.1-20130603.so.1
7ffff7fe6000-7ffff7fe9000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
7ffff7ffa000-7ffff7ffd000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
7ffff7ffd000-7ffff7fff000 r-xp 00000000 00:00 0
[vdso]
7fffffffde000-7fffffff000 rw-p 00000000 00:00 0
[stack]
ffffffffffff600000-ffffffffffff601000 r-xp 00000000 00:00 0
[vsyscall]
```

```
Program received signal SIGABRT, Aborted.
0x00000035c1835a19 in __GI_raise (sig=sig@entry=6) at
../nptl/sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/raise.c:56
56      return INLINE_SYSCALL (tgkill, 3, pid, selftid, sig);
(gdb) bt
#0 0x00000035c1835a19 in __GI_raise (sig=sig@entry=6) at
../nptl/sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/raise.c:56
#1 0x00000035c1837128 in __GI_abort () at abort.c:90
#2 0x00000035c1875d47 in __libc_message
(do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
  fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "**** %s ***: %s terminated\n") at
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:196
#3 0x00000035c190d6b7 in __GI___fortify_fail
(msg=msg@entry=0x35c197d2ea "stack smashing detected") at
fortify_fail.c:31
#4 0x00000035c190d680 in __stack_chk_fail () at
stack_chk_fail.c:28
#5 0x00000000004006b1 in main ()
(gdb) list libc_fatal.c:196
191         close_not_cancel_no_status (fd2);
192     }
193 }
194
195     /* Terminate the process.  */
196     abort ();
```

```
197     }  
198 }  
199  
200
```

Overwrite return address:

```
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x124'`  
The program being debugged has been started already.  
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y  
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x124'`  
DONE!  
*** stack smashing detected ***: /home/pi3/test terminated  
  
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.  
x86_64_fallback_frame_state (context=0x7fffffff420,  
context=0x7fffffff420, fs=0x7fffffff510) at ./md-unwind-  
support.h:58  
58     if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48  
(gdb) bt  
#0  x86_64_fallback_frame_state (context=0x7fffffff420,  
context=0x7fffffff420, fs=0x7fffffff510)  
    at ./md-unwind-support.h:58  
#1  uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff420,  
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff510)  
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1253  
#2  0x00000035c400ff19 in _Unwind_Backtrace (trace=0x35c1909bc0  
<backtrace_helper>, trace_argument=0x7fffffff6d0)  
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind.inc:290  
#3  0x00000035c1909d36 in __GI__backtrace  
(array=array@entry=0x7fffffff8b0, size=size@entry=64)  
    at ./sysdeps/x86_64/backtrace.c:109  
#4  0x00000035c1875d64 in __libc_message  
(do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,  
    fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n") at  
./sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:176  
#5  0x00000035c190d6b7 in __GI__fortify_fail  
(msg=msg@entry=0x35c197d2ea "stack smashing detected") at  
fortify_fail.c:31  
#6  0x00000035c190d680 in __stack_chk_fail () at  
stack_chk_fail.c:28  
#7  0x00000000004006b1 in main ()  
(gdb) print pc  
$2 = (unsigned char *) 0x41414141 <Address 0x41414141 out of  
bounds>  
(gdb)
```

As you can see, instead of killing the process, SIGSEGV was received. The crash happened exactly where we predict in our previous analyze. Let's now simulate that we fully control memory where return address point to (signal frame):

```
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x300'`  
The program being debugged has been started already.  
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y  
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x300'`  
DONE!  
*** stack smashing detected ***: /home/pi3/test terminated
```

```
Breakpoint 9, uw_frame_state_for  
(context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,  
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff1c0)  
  at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1233
```

```
1233 {  
(gdb) c
```

```
...  
<many times>
```

```
...  
(gdb) print context->ra  
$161 = (void *) 0x4141414141414141  
(gdb) set context->ra = 0x7fffffffde101
```

```
...  
<let's pad the memory>
```

```
...  
(gdb) set $pos = 0  
(gdb) while ($pos < 4000)  
>set *(0x7fffffffde101+$pos++) = 0x4141414141414141  
>end  
(gdb) while ($pos < 4000)  
>set *(0x7fffffffde101-$pos++) = 0x4141414141414141  
>end
```

```
(gdb) list  
1228     args_size and lsda members of CONTEXT, as they are  
really information  
1229     about the caller's frame. */  
1230  
1231 static _Unwind_Reason_Code  
1232 uw_frame_state_for (struct _Unwind_Context *context,  
_Unwind_FrameState *fs)  
1233 {  
1234     const struct dwarf_fde *fde;  
1235     const struct dwarf_cie *cie;  
1236     const unsigned char *aug, *insn, *end;  
1237  
(gdb)  
1238     memset (fs, 0, sizeof (*fs));  
1239     context->args_size = 0;  
1240     context->lsda = 0;  
1241  
1242     if (context->ra == 0)  
1243         return _URC_END_OF_STACK;  
1244  
1245     fde = _Unwind_Find_FDE (context->ra +  
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context) - 1,
```

```
1246             &context->bases);
1247     if (fde == NULL)
(gdb)
1248     {
1249 #ifdef MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR
1250     /* Couldn't find frame unwind info for this function.
Try a
1251     target-specific fallback mechanism.  This will
necessarily
1252     not provide a personality routine or LSDA.  */
1253     return MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR (context, fs);
1254 #else
1255     return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
1256 #endif
1257     }
(gdb) b 1247
Breakpoint 20 at 0x35c400ec8c: file ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c,
line 1247.
(gdb) c
Continuing.
```

```
Breakpoint 20, uw_frame_state_for
(context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
  at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1247
1247     if (fde == NULL)
(gdb) del 20
(gdb) list
1242     if (context->ra == 0)
1243         return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
1244
1245     fde = _Unwind_Find_FDE (context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context) - 1,
1246             &context->bases);
1247     if (fde == NULL)
1248     {
1249 #ifdef MD_FALLBACK_FRAME_STATE_FOR
1250     /* Couldn't find frame unwind info for this function.
Try a
1251     target-specific fallback mechanism.  This will
necessarily
(gdb) si
1245     fde = _Unwind_Find_FDE (context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context) - 1,
(gdb)
1247     if (fde == NULL)
(gdb)
1232 uw_frame_state_for (struct _Unwind_Context *context,
_Unwind_FrameState *fs)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f00c 1232 uw_frame_state_for (struct
_Unwind_Context *context, _Unwind_FrameState *fs)
```

```
(gdb)
x86_64_fallback_frame_state (context=0x7fffffff370,
context=0x7fffffff370, fs=0x7fffffff460) at ./md-unwind-
support.h:68
68     return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
(gdb)
58     if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48
(gdb) list
53     #ifdef __LP64__
54     #define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL      0x050f000000fc0c7ULL
55     #else
56     #define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL      0x050f40000201c0c7ULL
57     #endif
58     if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48
59         && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1) ==
RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
60     {
61         struct ucontext *uc_ = context->cfa;
62         /* The void * cast is necessary to avoid an aliasing
warning.
(gdb)
63             The aliasing warning is correct, but should not be
a problem
64             because it does not alias anything. */
65         sc = (struct sigcontext *) (void *) &uc_-
>uc_mcontext;
66     }
67     else
68         return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
69
70     new_cfa = sc->rsp;
71     fs->regs.cfa_how = CFA_REG_OFFSET;
72     /* Register 7 is rsp */
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400f018 <uw_frame_state_for+1080>: cmpb    $0x48, (%rcx)
    0x35c400f01b <uw_frame_state_for+1083>: jne     0x35c400eded
<uw_frame_state_for+525>
    0x35c400f021 <uw_frame_state_for+1089>: movabs  $0x50f0000000fc0c7,%rsi
    0x35c400f02b <uw_frame_state_for+1099>: cmp     %rsi,0x1(%rcx)
    0x35c400f02f <uw_frame_state_for+1103>: jne     0x35c400eded
<uw_frame_state_for+525>
    0x35c400f035 <uw_frame_state_for+1109>: mov     0xa0(%rdx),%rax
    0x35c400f03c <uw_frame_state_for+1116>: lea    0x90(%rdx),%rsi
    0x35c400f043 <uw_frame_state_for+1123>: movl   $0x1,0x140(%r12)
    0x35c400f04f <uw_frame_state_for+1135>: movq   $0x7,0x130(%r12)
    0x35c400f05b <uw_frame_state_for+1147>: movl   $0x1,0x8(%r12)
```

```
0x35c400f064 <uw_frame_state_for+1156>: movl
$0x1,0x18(%r12)
0x35c400f06d <uw_frame_state_for+1165>: movl
$0x1,0x28(%r12)
0x35c400f076 <uw_frame_state_for+1174>: mov    %rax,%rcx
0x35c400f079 <uw_frame_state_for+1177>: sub    %rax,%rsi
0x35c400f07c <uw_frame_state_for+1180>: movl
$0x1,0x38(%r12)
0x35c400f085 <uw_frame_state_for+1189>: sub    %rdx,%rcx
0x35c400f088 <uw_frame_state_for+1192>: mov    %rsi,(%r12)
0x35c400f08c <uw_frame_state_for+1196>: lea
0x88(%rdx),%rsi
0x35c400f093 <uw_frame_state_for+1203>: mov
%rcx,0x128(%r12)
0x35c400f09b <uw_frame_state_for+1211>: lea
0x28(%rdx),%rcx
(gdb) x/x $rcx
0x7fffffffde101: 0x41
...

```

<we need to change the memory layout to pass the checks>

```
...
(gdb) set *$rcx=0x48
(gdb) x/x $rcx
0x7fffffffde101: 0x48
(gdb) echo 0x5 0f 00 00 00 0f c0 c7 \n
0x5 0f 00 00 00 0f c0 c7
(gdb) set *($rcx+5)=00
(gdb) set *($rcx+6)=00
(gdb) set *($rcx+7)=0x0f
(gdb) set *($rcx+8)=0x05
(gdb) x/8x $rcx+1
0x7fffffffde102: 0xc7 0xc0 0x0f 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x0f 0x05
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400f01b    58      if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48
(gdb)
59          && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1) ==
RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f02b    59          && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1)
== RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f02f    59          && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1)
== RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
(gdb) list
54  #define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL    0x050f000000fc0c7ULL
55  #else
56  #define RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL    0x050f40000201c0c7ULL
57  #endif
58      if (*(unsigned char *) (pc+0) == 0x48
59          && *(unsigned long long *) (pc+1) ==
RT_SIGRETURN_SYSCALL)
60          {

```

```

61     struct ucontext *uc_ = context->cfa;
62     /* The void * cast is necessary to avoid an aliasing
warning.
63         The aliasing warning is correct, but should not be
a problem
(gdb)
64         because it does not alias anything. */
65     sc = (struct sigcontext *) (void *) &uc_
>uc_mcontext;
66     }
67     else
68     return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
69
70     new_cfa = sc->rsp;
71     fs->regs.cfa_how = CFA_REG_OFFSET;
72     /* Register 7 is rsp */
73     fs->regs.cfa_reg = 7;
(gdb) si
70     new_cfa = sc->rsp;
(gdb) print sc
$163 = (struct sigcontext *) 0x7fffffffdfd8
(gdb) print/x *sc
$165 = {r8 = 0x4141414141414141, r9 = 0x4141414141414141, r10 =
0x4141414141414141, r11 = 0x4141414141414141,
    r12 = 0x4141414141414141, r13 = 0x4141414141414141, r14 =
0x4141414141414141, r15 = 0x4141414141414141,
    rdi = 0x4141414141414141, rsi = 0x4141414141414141, rbp =
0x4141414141414141, rbx = 0x4141414141414141,
    rdx = 0x4141414141414141, rax = 0x4141414141414141, rcx =
0x4141414141414141, rsp = 0x4141414141414141,
    rip = 0x7f0041414141, eflags = 0x0, cs = 0x569, gs = 0x40, fs =
0x0, __pad0 = 0x0, err = 0x7fffffff078, trapno = 0x1c,
    oldmask = 0x2, cr2 = 0x7fffffff367, {fpstate = 0x7fffffff376,
__fpstate_word = 0x7fffffff376}, __reserved1 = {0x0,
    0x7fffffff4a3, 0x7fffffff4ae, 0x7fffffff4c0,
0x7fffffff4df, 0x7fffffff514, 0x7fffffff52b, 0x7fffffff53b}}
(gdb) si
78     fs->regs.reg[0].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rax - new_cfa;
(gdb)
71     fs->regs.cfa_how = CFA_REG_OFFSET;
(gdb)
73     fs->regs.cfa_reg = 7;
(gdb)
77     fs->regs.reg[0].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
79     fs->regs.reg[1].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
81     fs->regs.reg[2].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
74     fs->regs.cfa_offset = new_cfa - (long) context->cfa;
(gdb)
78     fs->regs.reg[0].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rax - new_cfa;

```

```
(gdb)
83 fs->regs.reg[3].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
74 fs->regs.cfa_offset = new_cfa - (long) context->cfa;
(gdb)
78 fs->regs.reg[0].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rax - new_cfa;
(gdb)
80 fs->regs.reg[1].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
74 fs->regs.cfa_offset = new_cfa - (long) context->cfa;
(gdb)
78 fs->regs.reg[0].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rax - new_cfa;
(gdb)
85 fs->regs.reg[4].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
80 fs->regs.reg[1].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
87 fs->regs.reg[5].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
89 fs->regs.reg[6].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
92 fs->regs.reg[8].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r8 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
80 fs->regs.reg[1].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
82 fs->regs.reg[2].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rcx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
92 fs->regs.reg[8].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r8 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
94 fs->regs.reg[9].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r9 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
91 fs->regs.reg[8].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
82 fs->regs.reg[2].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rcx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
93 fs->regs.reg[9].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
95 fs->regs.reg[10].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
94 fs->regs.reg[9].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r9 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
82 fs->regs.reg[2].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rcx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
84 fs->regs.reg[3].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
94 fs->regs.reg[9].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r9 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
96 fs->regs.reg[10].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r10 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
97 fs->regs.reg[11].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
84 fs->regs.reg[3].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbx - new_cfa;
```

```
(gdb)
99 fs->regs.reg[12].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
101 fs->regs.reg[13].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
96 fs->regs.reg[10].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r10 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
84 fs->regs.reg[3].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbx - new_cfa;
(gdb)
86 fs->regs.reg[4].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rsi - new_cfa;
(gdb)
96 fs->regs.reg[10].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r10 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
98 fs->regs.reg[11].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r11 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
103 fs->regs.reg[14].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
86 fs->regs.reg[4].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rsi - new_cfa;
(gdb)
105 fs->regs.reg[15].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
98 fs->regs.reg[11].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r11 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
86 fs->regs.reg[4].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rsi - new_cfa;
(gdb)
88 fs->regs.reg[5].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdi - new_cfa;
(gdb)
98 fs->regs.reg[11].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r11 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
100 fs->regs.reg[12].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r12 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
88 fs->regs.reg[5].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdi - new_cfa;
(gdb)
100 fs->regs.reg[12].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r12 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
88 fs->regs.reg[5].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rdi - new_cfa;
(gdb)
90 fs->regs.reg[6].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbp - new_cfa;
(gdb)
100 fs->regs.reg[12].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r12 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
102 fs->regs.reg[13].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r13 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
90 fs->regs.reg[6].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbp - new_cfa;
(gdb)
102 fs->regs.reg[13].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r13 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
90 fs->regs.reg[6].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rbp - new_cfa;
(gdb)
102 fs->regs.reg[13].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r13 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
104 fs->regs.reg[14].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r14 - new_cfa;
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(gdb)
0x00000035c400f1be  104      fs->regs.reg[14].loc.offset =
(long)&sc->r14 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f1c1  104      fs->regs.reg[14].loc.offset =
(long)&sc->r14 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
106      fs->regs.reg[15].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r15 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
108      fs->regs.reg[16].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rip - new_cfa;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f1d4  108      fs->regs.reg[16].loc.offset =
(long)&sc->rip - new_cfa;
(gdb)
106      fs->regs.reg[15].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r15 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
111      return _URC_NO_REASON;
(gdb)
106      fs->regs.reg[15].loc.offset = (long)&sc->r15 - new_cfa;
(gdb)
107      fs->regs.reg[16].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
108      fs->regs.reg[16].loc.offset = (long)&sc->rip - new_cfa;
(gdb)
109      fs->retaddr_column = 16;
(gdb)
110      fs->signal_frame = 1;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f20d  110      fs->signal_frame = 1;
(gdb)
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1296
1296 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400edf1  1296 }
(gdb) list
1291     insn = aug;
1292     end = (const unsigned char *) next_fde (fde);
1293     execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
1294
1295     return _URC_NO_REASON;
1296 }
1297 ^L
1298 typedef struct frame_state
1299 {
1300     void *cfa;
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400edf2  1296 }
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400edf3  1296 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400edf5  1296 }
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(gdb)
0x00000035c400edf7    1296  }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400edf9    1296  }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400edfb    1296  }
(gdb) si
_Unwind_Backtrace (trace=0x35c1909bc0 <backtrace_helper>,
trace_argument=0x7fffffff620) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind.inc:291
291         if (code != _URC_NO_REASON && code !=
_URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb)
290         code = uw_frame_state_for (&context, &fs);
(gdb)
291         if (code != _URC_NO_REASON && code !=
_URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ff21    291         if (code != _URC_NO_REASON &&
code != _URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ff23    291         if (code != _URC_NO_REASON &&
code != _URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb)
295         if ((*trace) (&context, trace_argument) !=
_URC_NO_REASON)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400fef3    295         if ((*trace) (&context,
trace_argument) != _URC_NO_REASON)
(gdb) n
299         if (code == _URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb) print code
$167 = _URC_NO_REASON
(gdb) n
303         uw_update_context (&context, &fs);
(gdb) print fs->regs.cfa_how
$168 = CFA_REG_OFFSET
(gdb) p/x context->cfa
$169 = 0x7fffffffdfb0
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400ff06    303         uw_update_context (&context,
&fs);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ff09    303         uw_update_context (&context,
&fs);
(gdb)
uw_update_context (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1505
1505 {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eb51    1505 {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eb54    1505 {
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(gdb)
0x00000035c400eb55    1505  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eb58    1505  {
(gdb)
1506    uw_update_context_1 (context, fs);
(gdb)
uw_update_context_1 (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1382
1382  {
(gdb)
1383    struct _Unwind_Context orig_context = *context;
(gdb) n
1382  {
(gdb)
1383    struct _Unwind_Context orig_context = *context;
(gdb)
1382  {
(gdb)
1383    struct _Unwind_Context orig_context = *context;
(gdb)
1405    if (!_Unwind_GetGRPptr (&orig_context,
__builtin_dwarf_sp_column ()))
(gdb)
1406    __Unwind_SetSpColumn (&orig_context, context->cfa,
&tmp_sp);
(gdb)
1407    __Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, __builtin_dwarf_sp_column (),
NULL);
(gdb)
1411    switch (fs->regs.cfa_how)
(gdb)
1407    __Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, __builtin_dwarf_sp_column (),
NULL);
(gdb)
1411    switch (fs->regs.cfa_how)
(gdb)
1414        cfa = _Unwind_GetPtr (&orig_context, fs-
>regs.cfa_reg);
(gdb)
1415        cfa += fs->regs.cfa_offset;
(gdb)
1416        break;
(gdb)
1436    switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)
(gdb)
1432    context->cfa = cfa;
(gdb)
1467        __Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i, (void *) val);
(gdb)
1436    switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)
(gdb)
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1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)
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1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1443     _Unwind_SetGRPptr (context, i,  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1436     switch (fs->regs.reg[i].how)  
(gdb)  
1435 for (i = 0; i < DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS + 1; ++i)  
(gdb)  
1491 _Unwind_SetSignalFrame (context, fs->signal_frame);  
(gdb)
```

```
1496 }
(gdb)
uw_update_context (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1514
1514     if (fs->regs.reg[DWARF_REG_TO_UNWIND_COLUMN (fs-
>retaddr_column)].how
(gdb)
1523         (_Unwind_GetPtr (context, fs->retaddr_column));
(gdb)
1522     context->ra = __builtin_extract_return_addr
(gdb) n
1524 }
(gdb) print context->ra
$170 = (void *) 0x7f0041414141 <- Newly calculated return address
(gdb) list
1519     else
1520         /* Compute the return address now, since the return
address column
1521         can change from frame to frame. */
1522         context->ra = __builtin_extract_return_addr
1523         (_Unwind_GetPtr (context, fs->retaddr_column));
1524 }
1525
1526 static void
1527 uw_advance_context (struct _Unwind_Context *context,
_Unwind_FrameState *fs)
1528 {
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400ebba <uw_update_context+106>:    add     $0x8,%rsp
0x35c400ebbe <uw_update_context+110>:    pop     %rbx
0x35c400ebbf <uw_update_context+111>:    pop     %rbp
0x35c400ebc0 <uw_update_context+112>:    retq
0x35c400ebc1 <uw_update_context+113>:    nopl   0x0(%rax)
0x35c400ebc8 <uw_update_context+120>:    movq   $0x0,0x98(%rbx)
0x35c400ebd3 <uw_update_context+131>:    add     $0x8,%rsp
0x35c400ebd7 <uw_update_context+135>:    pop     %rbx
0x35c400ebd8 <uw_update_context+136>:    pop     %rbp
0x35c400ebd9 <uw_update_context+137>:    retq
0x35c400ebda: nopw   0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
0x35c400ebe0 <uw_frame_state_for>: push   %r15
0x35c400ebe2 <uw_frame_state_for+2>: mov    $0x180,%edx
0x35c400ebe7 <uw_frame_state_for+7>: push   %r14
0x35c400ebe9 <uw_frame_state_for+9>: push   %r13
0x35c400ebeb <uw_frame_state_for+11>: mov    %rdi,%r13
0x35c400ebec <uw_frame_state_for+14>: mov    %rsi,%rdi
0x35c400ebf1 <uw_frame_state_for+17>: push   %r12
0x35c400ebf3 <uw_frame_state_for+19>: mov    %rsi,%r12
0x35c400ebf6 <uw_frame_state_for+22>: push   %rbp
(gdb) i r rcx
rcx          0x7f0041414141    139639071523137
(gdb) p/x *fs
```

```

$171 = {regs = {reg = {{loc = {reg = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eff, offset =
0xbebf3ebebebe9eff, exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eff}, how = 0x1},
  {loc = {reg = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ef7, offset =
0xbebf3ebebebe9ef7, exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ef7}, how = 0x1}}, {loc =
{
  reg = 0xbebf3ebebebe9f07, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9f07,
exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9f07}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {
  reg = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eef, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eef,
exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eef}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {
  reg = 0xbebf3ebebebe9edf, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9edf,
exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9edf}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {
  reg = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ed7, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ed7,
exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ed7}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {
  reg = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ee7, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ee7,
exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ee7}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg = 0x0,
  offset = 0x0, exp = 0x0}, how = 0x0}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9e97, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9e97,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9e97}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9e9f, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9e9f,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9e9f}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9ea7, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ea7,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ea7}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9eaf, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eaf,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eaf}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9eb7, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eb7,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9eb7}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9ebf, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ebf,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ebf}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9ec7, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ec7,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ec7}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9ecf, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ecf,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9ecf}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0xbebf3ebebebe9f17, offset = 0xbebf3ebebebe9f17,
  exp = 0xbebf3ebebebe9f17}, how = 0x1}, {loc = {reg =
0x0, offset = 0x0, exp = 0x0}, how = 0x0}}, prev = 0x0,
  cfa_offset = 0x4140c14141416191, cfa_reg = 0x7, cfa_exp =
0x0, cfa_how = 0x1}, pc = 0x0, personality = 0x0,
  data_align = 0x0, code_align = 0x0, retaddr_column = 0x10,
  fde_encoding = 0x0, lsd_encoding = 0x0, saw_z = 0x0,
  signal_frame = 0x1, eh_ptr = 0x0}
(gdb)

```

The latest values in the context and frame state variables corresponds to the relative offsets from the 0x4141414141414141 values. Next iteration of the main loop eventually cause the read-AV because currently calculated return address is pointing to the unreachable memory. We returned to the starting point.

Scenario 4b – let's try to check if DWARF instructions are emulated if we fully control FDE:

```
(gdb) r `perl -e 'print "A"x300'`
The program being debugged has been started already.
Start it from the beginning? (y or n) y
Starting program: /home/pi3/test `perl -e 'print "A"x300'`
DONE!
*** stack smashing detected ***: /home/pi3/test terminated

Breakpoint 9, uw_frame_state_for
(context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff1c0)
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1233
1233 {
(gdb) c
Continuing.
...
<keep going until we hit what we want...>
...
(gdb) source pi3-test <- prepare the memory and do padding
Breakpoint 18 at 0x35c400ec8c: file ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c,
line 1247.

Breakpoint 18, uw_frame_state_for
(context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1247
1247     if (fde == NULL)
1245     fde = _Unwind_Find_FDE (context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context) - 1,
1247     if (fde == NULL)
1259     fs->pc = context->bases.func;
get_cie (f=<optimized out>) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2-
fde.h:157
157     return (const void *)&f->CIE_delta - f->CIE_delta;
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1259
1259     fs->pc = context->bases.func;
get_cie (f=0x7fffffffde101) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2-
fde.h:157
157     return (const void *)&f->CIE_delta - f->CIE_delta;
0x00000035c400ecaf    157     return (const void *)&f->CIE_delta -
f->CIE_delta;
(gdb) si
extract_cie_info (fs=0x7fffffff460, context=0x7fffffff370,
cie=0x7fffb9bc9fc4) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:415
415     const unsigned char *aug = cie->augmentation;
(gdb) set cie = context->ra
(gdb) print *cie
$138 = {length = 1094795585, CIE_id = 1094795585, version = 65
'A', augmentation = 0x7fffffffde10a 'A' <repeats 200 times>...}
```

```
(gdb) set cie->version = 0x1
```

```
...  
<fix the memory to avoid killing by gcc unreachable() or  
gcc assert(>>
```

```
...  
(gdb) print *cie  
$139 = {length = 1094795585, CIE_id = 1094795585, version = 1  
'\001',  
  augmentation = 0x7fffffffde10a 'A' <repeats 200 times>...}  
(gdb) si  
416      const unsigned char *p = aug + strlen ((const char *)aug)  
+ 1;  
(gdb)  
0x00000035c400ecb9      416      const unsigned char *p = aug +  
strlen ((const char *)aug) + 1;  
(gdb) n  
423      if (aug[0] == 'e' && aug[1] == 'h')  
(gdb) si  
416      const unsigned char *p = aug + strlen ((const char *)aug)  
+ 1;  
(gdb)  
423      if (aug[0] == 'e' && aug[1] == 'h')  
(gdb)  
433      if (__builtin_expect (cie->version >= 4, 0))  
(gdb) x/20i $rip  
=> 0x35c400ecce <uw_frame_state_for+238>:  cmpb   $0x3,0x8(%r14)  
0x35c400ecd3 <uw_frame_state_for+243>:  ja     0x35c400f592  
<uw_frame_state_for+2482>  
0x35c400ecd9 <uw_frame_state_for+249>:  xor    %esi,%esi  
0x35c400ecdb <uw_frame_state_for+251>:  xor    %ecx,%ecx  
0x35c400ecdd <uw_frame_state_for+253>:  nopl   (%rax)  
0x35c400ece0 <uw_frame_state_for+256>:  add    $0x1,%rdi  
0x35c400ece4 <uw_frame_state_for+260>:  movzbl -  
0x1(%rdi),%edx  
0x35c400ece8 <uw_frame_state_for+264>:  mov    %rdx,%rax  
0x35c400eceb <uw_frame_state_for+267>:  and    $0x7f,%eax  
0x35c400ecee <uw_frame_state_for+270>:  shl    %cl,%rax  
0x35c400ecf1 <uw_frame_state_for+273>:  add    $0x7,%ecx  
0x35c400ecf4 <uw_frame_state_for+276>:  or     %rax,%rsi  
0x35c400ecf7 <uw_frame_state_for+279>:  test   %dl,%dl  
0x35c400ecf9 <uw_frame_state_for+281>:  js     0x35c400ece0  
<uw_frame_state_for+256>  
0x35c400ecfb <uw_frame_state_for+283>:  mov    %rsi,0x160(%r12)  
0x35c400ed03 <uw_frame_state_for+291>:  lea   0x40(%rsp),%rsi  
0x35c400ed08 <uw_frame_state_for+296>:  callq 0x35c400d090  
<read_sleb128>  
0x35c400ed0d <uw_frame_state_for+301>:  mov    %rax,%rbx  
0x35c400ed10 <uw_frame_state_for+304>:  mov  
0x40(%rsp),%rax  
0x35c400ed15 <uw_frame_state_for+309>:  xor    %esi,%esi
```

```
(gdb) x/x $r14+0x8
0x7fffffffde109: 0x01
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400ecd3    433    if (__builtin_expect (cie->version
>= 4, 0))
(gdb)
x86_64_fallback_frame_state (context=<optimized out>,
context=<optimized out>, fs=<optimized out>)
  at ./md-unwind-support.h:68
 68      return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400ecd9 <uw_frame_state_for+249>:  xor    %esi,%esi
    0x35c400ecdb <uw_frame_state_for+251>:  xor    %ecx,%ecx
    0x35c400ecdd <uw_frame_state_for+253>:  nopl   (%rax)
    0x35c400ece0 <uw_frame_state_for+256>:  add    $0x1,%rdi
    0x35c400ece4 <uw_frame_state_for+260>:  movzbl -
0x1(%rdi),%edx
    0x35c400ece8 <uw_frame_state_for+264>:  mov    %rdx,%rax
    0x35c400eceb <uw_frame_state_for+267>:  and    $0x7f,%eax
    0x35c400ec ee <uw_frame_state_for+270>:  shl    %cl,%rax
    0x35c400ecf1 <uw_frame_state_for+273>:  add    $0x7,%ecx
    0x35c400ecf4 <uw_frame_state_for+276>:  or     %rax,%rsi
    0x35c400ecf7 <uw_frame_state_for+279>:  test   %dl,%dl
    0x35c400ecf9 <uw_frame_state_for+281>:  js     0x35c400ece0
<uw_frame_state_for+256>
    0x35c400ecfb <uw_frame_state_for+283>:  mov    %rsi,0x160(%r12)
    0x35c400ed03 <uw_frame_state_for+291>:  lea   0x40(%rsp),%rsi
    0x35c400ed08 <uw_frame_state_for+296>:  callq 0x35c400d090
<read_sleb128>
    0x35c400ed0d <uw_frame_state_for+301>:  mov    %rax,%rbx
    0x35c400ed10 <uw_frame_state_for+304>:  mov    0x40(%rsp),%rax
    0x35c400ed15 <uw_frame_state_for+309>:  xor    %esi,%esi
    0x35c400ed17 <uw_frame_state_for+311>:  xor    %ecx,%ecx
    0x35c400ed19 <uw_frame_state_for+313>:  mov    %rax,0x158(%r12)
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400ecdb    68      return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ecdd    68      return _URC_END_OF_STACK;
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400ecdd <uw_frame_state_for+253>:  nopl   (%rax)
    0x35c400ece0 <uw_frame_state_for+256>:  add    $0x1,%rdi
    0x35c400ece4 <uw_frame_state_for+260>:  movzbl -
0x1(%rdi),%edx
    0x35c400ece8 <uw_frame_state_for+264>:  mov    %rdx,%rax
    0x35c400eceb <uw_frame_state_for+267>:  and    $0x7f,%eax
    0x35c400ec ee <uw_frame_state_for+270>:  shl    %cl,%rax
    0x35c400ecf1 <uw_frame_state_for+273>:  add    $0x7,%ecx
    0x35c400ecf4 <uw_frame_state_for+276>:  or     %rax,%rsi
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0x35c400ecf7 <uw_frame_state_for+279>: test    %dl,%dl
0x35c400ecf9 <uw_frame_state_for+281>: js     0x35c400ece0
<uw_frame_state_for+256>
0x35c400ecfb <uw_frame_state_for+283>: mov    %rsi,0x160(%r12)
0x35c400ed03 <uw_frame_state_for+291>: lea   0x40(%rsp),%rsi
0x35c400ed08 <uw_frame_state_for+296>: callq 0x35c400d090
<read_sleb128>
0x35c400ed0d <uw_frame_state_for+301>: mov    %rax,%rbx
0x35c400ed10 <uw_frame_state_for+304>: mov    0x40(%rsp),%rax
0x35c400ed15 <uw_frame_state_for+309>: xor    %esi,%esi
0x35c400ed17 <uw_frame_state_for+311>: xor    %ecx,%ecx
0x35c400ed19 <uw_frame_state_for+313>: mov    %rax,0x158(%r12)
0x35c400ed21 <uw_frame_state_for+321>: cmpb  $0x1,0x8(%r14)
0x35c400ed26 <uw_frame_state_for+326>: je     0x35c400f270
<uw_frame_state_for+1680>
(gdb) si
read_uleb128 (val=<optimized out>, p=0x7fffffffdf0a5 "") at
.././././libgcc/unwind-pe.h:140
140         byte = *p++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ece4    140         byte = *p++;
(gdb)
141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eceb    141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ecee    141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
142         shift += 7;
(gdb)
141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
144         while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ecf9    144         while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
extract_cie_info (fs=0x7fffffff460, context=0x7fffffff370,
cie=0x7fffffffde101) at .././././libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:442
442     fs->code_align = (_Unwind_Word)utmp;
(gdb) print utmp
$140 = 0
(gdb) si
443     p = read_sleb128 (p, &stmp);
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400ed03 <uw_frame_state_for+291>: lea
0x40(%rsp),%rsi

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0x35c400ed08 <uw_frame_state_for+296>: callq 0x35c400d090
<read_sleb128>
0x35c400ed0d <uw_frame_state_for+301>: mov    %rax,%rbx
0x35c400ed10 <uw_frame_state_for+304>: mov
0x40(%rsp),%rax
0x35c400ed15 <uw_frame_state_for+309>: xor    %esi,%esi
0x35c400ed17 <uw_frame_state_for+311>: xor    %ecx,%ecx
0x35c400ed19 <uw_frame_state_for+313>: mov
%rax,0x158(%r12)
0x35c400ed21 <uw_frame_state_for+321>: cmpb  $0x1,0x8(%r14)
0x35c400ed26 <uw_frame_state_for+326>: je    0x35c400f270
<uw_frame_state_for+1680>
0x35c400ed2c <uw_frame_state_for+332>: nopl  0x0(%rax)
0x35c400ed30 <uw_frame_state_for+336>: add   $0x1,%rbx
0x35c400ed34 <uw_frame_state_for+340>: movzbl -
0x1(%rbx),%edx
0x35c400ed38 <uw_frame_state_for+344>: mov   %rdx,%rax
0x35c400ed3b <uw_frame_state_for+347>: and   $0x7f,%eax
0x35c400ed3e <uw_frame_state_for+350>: shl   %cl,%rax
0x35c400ed41 <uw_frame_state_for+353>: add   $0x7,%ecx
0x35c400ed44 <uw_frame_state_for+356>: or    %rax,%rsi
0x35c400ed47 <uw_frame_state_for+359>: test  %dl,%dl
0x35c400ed49 <uw_frame_state_for+361>: js    0x35c400ed30
<uw_frame_state_for+336>
0x35c400ed4b <uw_frame_state_for+363>: mov
%rsi,0x168(%r12)
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400ed08    443    p = read_sleb128 (p, &stmp);
(gdb)
read_sleb128 (p=0x7fffffffdf0a6 "", val=val@entry=0x7fffffffdf320)
at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-pe.h:154
154  {
(gdb)
159    result = 0;
(gdb)
155    unsigned int shift = 0;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d098    155    unsigned int shift = 0;
(gdb)
162        byte = *p++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d0a4    162        byte = *p++;
(gdb)
163        result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d0ab    163        result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d0ae    163        result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
164        shift += 7;

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(gdb)
163         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
166     while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d0ba    166     while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
169     if (shift < 8 * sizeof(result) && (byte & 0x40) != 0)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d0bf    169     if (shift < 8 * sizeof(result) &&
(byte & 0x40) != 0)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d0c1    169     if (shift < 8 * sizeof(result) &&
(byte & 0x40) != 0)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d0c4    169     if (shift < 8 * sizeof(result) &&
(byte & 0x40) != 0)
(gdb)
172     *val = (_sleb128_t) result;
(gdb)
174 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed0d in extract_cie_info (fs=0x7fffffff460,
context=0x7fffffff370, cie=0x7fffffffde101)
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:443
443     p = read_sleb128 (p, &stmp);
(gdb)
444     fs->data_align = (_Unwind_Sword)stmp;
(gdb)
445     if (cie->version == 1)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed17    445     if (cie->version == 1)
(gdb)
444     fs->data_align = (_Unwind_Sword)stmp;
(gdb)
445     if (cie->version == 1)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed26    445     if (cie->version == 1)
(gdb)
446         fs->retaddr_column = *p++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f273    446         fs->retaddr_column = *p++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f277    446         fs->retaddr_column = *p++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f27f    446         fs->retaddr_column = *p++;
(gdb)
452     fs->lsda_encoding = DW_EH_PE_omit;
(gdb)
457     if (*aug == 'z')
(gdb)
417     const unsigned char *ret = NULL;
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(gdb)
457     if (*aug == 'z')
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed65     457     if (*aug == 'z')
(gdb)
read_encoded_value_with_base (val=<optimized out>, p=<optimized
out>, base=<optimized out>, encoding=<optimized out>)
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-pe.h:225
225         p = read_sleb128 (p, &tmp);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed70     225         p = read_sleb128 (p, &tmp);
(gdb)
207         switch (encoding & 0x0f)
(gdb)
225             p = read_sleb128 (p, &tmp);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed80     225             p = read_sleb128 (p, &tmp);
(gdb)
extract_cie_info (fs=0x7fffffff460, context=0x7fffffff370,
cie=0x7fffffffde101) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:467
467     while (*aug != '\0')
(gdb)
0x00000035c400edab     467     while (*aug != '\0')
(gdb)
470         if (aug[0] == 'L')
(gdb)
0x00000035c400edb3     470         if (aug[0] == 'L')
(gdb)
477         else if (aug[0] == 'R')
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed8a     477         else if (aug[0] == 'R')
(gdb)
484         else if (aug[0] == 'P')
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed8e     484         else if (aug[0] == 'P')
(gdb)
494         else if (aug[0] == 'S')
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ed92     494         else if (aug[0] == 'S')
(gdb)
494         else if (aug[0] == 'S')
(gdb)
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1263
1263     if (insn == NULL)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f2b6     1263     if (insn == NULL)
(gdb) list
1258
1259     fs->pc = context->bases.func;
1260
1261     cie = get_cie (fde);
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1262     insn = extract_cie_info (cie, context, fs);
1263     if (insn == NULL)
1264         /* CIE contained unknown augmentation. */
1265         return _URC_FATAL_PHASE1_ERROR;
1266
1267     /* First decode all the insns in the CIE. */
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400f2b6 <uw_frame_state_for+1750>: jne     0x35c400eeac
<uw_frame_state_for+716>
    0x35c400f2bc <uw_frame_state_for+1756>: add     $0x58,%rsp
    0x35c400f2c0 <uw_frame_state_for+1760>: mov     $0x3,%eax
    0x35c400f2c5 <uw_frame_state_for+1765>: pop     %rbx
    0x35c400f2c6 <uw_frame_state_for+1766>: pop     %rbp
    0x35c400f2c7 <uw_frame_state_for+1767>: pop     %r12
    0x35c400f2c9 <uw_frame_state_for+1769>: pop     %r13
    0x35c400f2cb <uw_frame_state_for+1771>: pop     %r14
    0x35c400f2cd <uw_frame_state_for+1773>: pop     %r15
    0x35c400f2cf <uw_frame_state_for+1775>: retq
    0x35c400f2d0 <uw_frame_state_for+1776>: lea    0x1(%rsi),%rdi
    0x35c400f2d4 <uw_frame_state_for+1780>: movb   $0x0,(%rsi)
    0x35c400f2d7 <uw_frame_state_for+1783>: mov     $0x7f,%dl
    0x35c400f2d9 <uw_frame_state_for+1785>: test   $0x2,%dil
    0x35c400f2dd <uw_frame_state_for+1789>: je     0x35c400ec10
<uw_frame_state_for+48>
    0x35c400f2e3 <uw_frame_state_for+1795>: nopl
0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
    0x35c400f2e8 <uw_frame_state_for+1800>: xor     %ecx,%ecx
    0x35c400f2ea <uw_frame_state_for+1802>: add     $0x2,%rdi
    0x35c400f2ee <uw_frame_state_for+1806>: sub     $0x2,%edx
    0x35c400f2f1 <uw_frame_state_for+1809>: mov     %cx,-0x2(%rdi)
(gdb) print context->ra
$142 = (void *) 0x7fffffffde101
(gdb) set $rdi = context->ra
(gdb) si
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffffdd370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffffdd460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1263
1263     if (insn == NULL)
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400f2b3 <uw_frame_state_for+1747>: test   %rdi,%rdi
    0x35c400f2b6 <uw_frame_state_for+1750>: jne     0x35c400eeac
<uw_frame_state_for+716>
    0x35c400f2bc <uw_frame_state_for+1756>: add     $0x58,%rsp
    0x35c400f2c0 <uw_frame_state_for+1760>: mov     $0x3,%eax
    0x35c400f2c5 <uw_frame_state_for+1765>: pop     %rbx
    0x35c400f2c6 <uw_frame_state_for+1766>: pop     %rbp
    0x35c400f2c7 <uw_frame_state_for+1767>: pop     %r12
    0x35c400f2c9 <uw_frame_state_for+1769>: pop     %r13
    0x35c400f2cb <uw_frame_state_for+1771>: pop     %r14
    0x35c400f2cd <uw_frame_state_for+1773>: pop     %r15
    0x35c400f2cf <uw_frame_state_for+1775>: retq
    0x35c400f2d0 <uw_frame_state_for+1776>: lea    0x1(%rsi),%rdi
    0x35c400f2d4 <uw_frame_state_for+1780>: movb   $0x0,(%rsi)

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0x35c400f2d7 <uw_frame_state_for+1783>: mov    $0x7f,%dl
0x35c400f2d9 <uw_frame_state_for+1785>: test  $0x2,%dil
0x35c400f2dd <uw_frame_state_for+1789>: je    0x35c400ec10
<uw_frame_state_for+48>
0x35c400f2e3 <uw_frame_state_for+1795>: nopl  0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
0x35c400f2e8 <uw_frame_state_for+1800>: xor   %ecx,%ecx
0x35c400f2ea <uw_frame_state_for+1802>: add  $0x2,%rdi
0x35c400f2ee <uw_frame_state_for+1806>: sub  $0x2,%edx
(gdb) i r rdi r9
rdi          0x7fffffffde101      140737488216321
r9          0x7fffffffde101      140737488216321
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400f2b6      1263      if (insn == NULL)
(gdb)
next_fde (f=0x7fffffffde101) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2-
fde.h:163
163      return (const fde *) ((const char *) f + f->length +
sizeof (f->length));
(gdb) si
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1269
1269      execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
(gdb) print context
$144 = (struct _Unwind_Context *) 0x7fffffff370
(gdb) print *context
$145 = {reg = {0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x7fffffffdef8, 0x0, 0x0,
0x7fffffffdfa0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x0, 0x7fffffffdec0,
0x7fffffffdec8, 0x7fffffffded0, 0x7fffffffded8,
0x7fffffffdfa8, 0x0}, cfa = 0x7fffffffdfb0, ra = 0x7fffffffde101,
lsda = 0x0, bases = {tbase = 0x0, dbase = 0x0, func = 0x400630
<main>}, flags = 4611686018427387904, version = 0,
args_size = 0, by_value = '\000' <repeats 17 times>}
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400eeb2      1269      execute_cfa_program (insn, end,
context, fs);
(gdb)
next_fde (f=0x7fffffffde101) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2-
fde.h:163
163      return (const fde *) ((const char *) f + f->length +
sizeof (f->length));
(gdb) list
158  }
159
160  static inline const fde *
161  next_fde (const fde *f)
162  {
163      return (const fde *) ((const char *) f + f->length +
sizeof (f->length));
164  }
165

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166  extern const fde * _Unwind_Find_FDE (void *, struct
dwarf_eh_bases *);
167
(gdb) si
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1269
1269  execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde101 "AAAAAAA\001", 'A'
<repeats 191 times>...,
    insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of
bounds>, context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
    fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-
dw2.c:942
942  {
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400d431    942  {
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400d434    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d436    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d439    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d43b    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d43d    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d440    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d442    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d443    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d446    942  {
(gdb)
957  while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb) print insn_ptr
$146 = (const unsigned char *) 0x7fffffffde101 "AAAAAAA\001", 'A'
<repeats 191 times>...
(gdb) print insn_end
$147 = (const unsigned char *) 0x8000413f2246 <Address
0x8000413f2246 out of bounds>
(gdb) print insn_end - insn_ptr
$148 = 1094795589
(gdb) si
946  fs->regs.prev = NULL;
(gdb)
957  while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb)
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context=<optimized out>) at
../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:202

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202     return (context->flags & SIGNAL_FRAME_BIT) ? 1 : 0;
(gdb) list
197  read_8s (const void *p) { const union unaligned *up = p;
return up->s8; }
198  ^L
199  static inline _Unwind_Word
200  _Unwind_IsSignalFrame (struct _Unwind_Context *context)
201  {
202     return (context->flags & SIGNAL_FRAME_BIT) ? 1 : 0;
203  }
204
205  static inline void
206  _Unwind_SetSignalFrame (struct _Unwind_Context *context,
int val)
(gdb) si
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde101 "AAAAAAAA\001", 'A'
<repeats 191 times>...,
    insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of
bounds>, context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
    fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-
dw2.c:958
958     && fs->pc < context->ra + _Unwind_IsSignalFrame
(context)
(gdb) list
953     there are delay instructions that adjust the stack,
these must be
954     reflected at the point immediately before the call
insn.
955     In signal frames, return address is after last
completed instruction,
956     so we add 1 to return address to make the comparison
<=. */
957     while (insn_ptr < insn_end
958           && fs->pc < context->ra + _Unwind_IsSignalFrame
(context))
959     {
960         unsigned char insn = *insn_ptr++;
961         _uleb128_t reg, utmp;
962         _sleb128_t offset, stmp;
(gdb) print fs->pc
$149 = (void *) 0x400630 <main>
(gdb) print context->ra
$150 = (void *) 0x7fffffffde101
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400d46c    958           && fs->pc < context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context)
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400d46c <execute_cfa_program+60>:  mov    %rdx,%r14
    0x35c400d46f <execute_cfa_program+63>:  shr    $0x3f,%rax
    0x35c400d473 <execute_cfa_program+67>:  add
0x98(%rdx),%rax
    0x35c400d47a <execute_cfa_program+74>:  cmp    %rax,%rcx
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0x35c400d47d <execute_cfa_program+77>:  jae    0x35c400d50b
<execute_cfa_program+219>
0x35c400d483 <execute_cfa_program+83>:  lea    -
0x38(%rbp),%rax
0x35c400d487 <execute_cfa_program+87>:  lea    0x5162(%rip),%rdx    # 0x35c40125f0
0x35c400d48e <execute_cfa_program+94>:  xor    %r8d,%r8d
0x35c400d491 <execute_cfa_program+97>:  mov    %rax,-
0x48(%rbp)
0x35c400d495 <execute_cfa_program+101>: nopl   (%rax)
0x35c400d498 <execute_cfa_program+104>:  movzbl (%rbx),%eax
0x35c400d49b <execute_cfa_program+107>:  lea    0x1(%rbx),%r12
0x35c400d49f <execute_cfa_program+111>:  mov    %eax,%esi
0x35c400d4a1 <execute_cfa_program+113>:  and    $0xffffffffc0,%esi
0x35c400d4a4 <execute_cfa_program+116>:  cmp    $0x40,%sil
0x35c400d4a8 <execute_cfa_program+120>:  je     0x35c400d4d0
<execute_cfa_program+160>
0x35c400d4aa <execute_cfa_program+122>:  cmp    $0x80,%sil
0x35c400d4ae <execute_cfa_program+126>:  je     0x35c400d520
<execute_cfa_program+240>
0x35c400d4b0 <execute_cfa_program+128>:  cmp    $0xc0,%sil
0x35c400d4b4 <execute_cfa_program+132>:  je     0x35c400d578
<execute_cfa_program+328>
(gdb) si
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context=0x7fffffff370) at
../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:202
202     return (context->flags & SIGNAL_FRAME_BIT) ? 1 : 0;
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde101 "AAAAAAA\001", 'A'
<repeats 191 times>...,
    insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of
bounds>, context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
    fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../libgcc/unwind-
dw2.c:958
958     && fs->pc < context->ra + _Unwind_IsSignalFrame
(context)
(gdb) si
0x0000035c400d47a    958     && fs->pc < context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context)
(gdb)
0x0000035c400d47d    958     && fs->pc < context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context)
(gdb)
1169     insn_ptr = read_sleb128 (insn_ptr, &stmp);
(gdb)
985     else switch (insn)
(gdb) print insn
$151 = <optimized out>
(gdb) b *0x35c400d495
Breakpoint 19 at 0x35c400d495: file ../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c,
line 1169.

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(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 19, 0x00000035c400d495 in execute_cfa_program (
    insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde101 "AAAAAAAA\001", 'A' <repeats 191
times>...,
    insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of
bounds>, context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
    fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-
dw2.c:1169
1169         insn_ptr = read_sleb128 (insn_ptr, &stmp);
(gdb) x/20i $rip-10
0x35c400d48b <execute_cfa_program+91>:  push   %rcx
0x35c400d48c <execute_cfa_program+92>:  add    %al, (%rax)
0x35c400d48e <execute_cfa_program+94>:  xor    %r8d, %r8d
0x35c400d491 <execute_cfa_program+97>:  mov    %rax, -
0x48(%rbp)
=> 0x35c400d495 <execute_cfa_program+101>: nopl   (%rax)
0x35c400d498 <execute_cfa_program+104>:  movzbl (%rbx), %eax
0x35c400d49b <execute_cfa_program+107>:  lea   0x1(%rbx), %r12
0x35c400d49f <execute_cfa_program+111>:  mov   %eax, %esi
0x35c400d4a1 <execute_cfa_program+113>:  and   $0xffffffffc0, %esi
0x35c400d4a4 <execute_cfa_program+116>:  cmp   $0x40, %sil
0x35c400d4a8 <execute_cfa_program+120>:  je    0x35c400d4d0
<execute_cfa_program+160>
0x35c400d4aa <execute_cfa_program+122>:  cmp   $0x80, %sil
0x35c400d4ae <execute_cfa_program+126>:  je    0x35c400d520
<execute_cfa_program+240>
0x35c400d4b0 <execute_cfa_program+128>:  cmp   $0xc0, %sil
0x35c400d4b4 <execute_cfa_program+132>:  je    0x35c400d578
<execute_cfa_program+328>
0x35c400d4ba <execute_cfa_program+138>:  cmp   $0x2f, %al
0x35c400d4bc <execute_cfa_program+140>:  ja    0x35c400d5a9
<execute_cfa_program+377>
0x35c400d4c2 <execute_cfa_program+146>:  movslq
(%rdx, %rax, 4), %rax
0x35c400d4c6 <execute_cfa_program+150>:  add   %rdx, %rax
0x35c400d4c9 <execute_cfa_program+153>:  jmpq  *%rax
(gdb) x/x $rbx
0x7fffffffde101: 0x41
(gdb) set *(0x7fffffffde101) = 0x1
(gdb) x/8x 0x7fffffffde101
0x7fffffffde101: 0x01 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x41 0x41 0x41 0x41
(gdb) set *(0x7fffffffde101) = 0x80 <- emulate DWARF instruction
...
<fix the memory to avoid killing by gcc unreachable() or
gcc assert()>
...
(gdb) si
960         unsigned char insn = *insn_ptr++;
(gdb)
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0x00000035c400d49b    960          unsigned char insn =
(gdb)
964          if ((insn & 0xc0) == DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a1    964          if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a4    964          if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a8    964          if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
966          else if ((insn & 0xc0) == DW_CFA_offset)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4ae    966          else if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_offset)
(gdb)
968          reg = insn & 0x3f;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d523    968          reg = insn & 0x3f;
(gdb)
read_uleb128 (val=<optimized out>, p=<optimized out>) at
../../libgcc/unwind-pe.h:137
137      result = 0;
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde102 "",
insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of bounds>,
context=context@entry=0x7fffffffdd370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffffdd460) at ../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:968
968      reg = insn & 0x3f;
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400d528 <execute_cfa_program+248>: and    $0x3f,%edi
0x35c400d52b <execute_cfa_program+251>: xor    %ecx,%ecx
0x35c400d52d <execute_cfa_program+253>: nopl  (%rax)
0x35c400d530 <execute_cfa_program+256>: add    $0x1,%rbx
0x35c400d534 <execute_cfa_program+260>: movzbl -
0x1(%rbx),%r9d
0x35c400d539 <execute_cfa_program+265>: mov    %r9,%rax
0x35c400d53c <execute_cfa_program+268>: and    $0x7f,%eax
0x35c400d53f <execute_cfa_program+271>: shl   %cl,%rax
0x35c400d542 <execute_cfa_program+274>: add    $0x7,%ecx
0x35c400d545 <execute_cfa_program+277>: or    %rax,%rsi
0x35c400d548 <execute_cfa_program+280>: test  %r9b,%r9b
0x35c400d54b <execute_cfa_program+283>: js    0x35c400d530
<execute_cfa_program+256>
0x35c400d54d <execute_cfa_program+285>: imul  0x158(%r13),%rsi
0x35c400d555 <execute_cfa_program+293>: cmp    $0x11,%rdi
0x35c400d559 <execute_cfa_program+297>: ja    0x35c400d4e8
<execute_cfa_program+184>
0x35c400d55b <execute_cfa_program+299>: shl   $0x4,%rdi
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0x35c400d55f <execute_cfa_program+303>: add    %r13,%rdi
0x35c400d562 <execute_cfa_program+306>: movl   $0x1,0x8(%rdi)
0x35c400d569 <execute_cfa_program+313>: mov    %rsi,(%rdi)
0x35c400d56c <execute_cfa_program+316>: jmpq   0x35c400d4e8
<execute_cfa_program+184>
(gdb) si
read_uleb128 (val=<synthetic pointer>, p=0x7fffffffde102 "") at
.././././libgcc/unwind-pe.h:133
133     unsigned int shift = 0;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d52d    133     unsigned int shift = 0;
(gdb)
140         byte = *p++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d534    140         byte = *p++;
(gdb)
141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d53c    141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d53f    141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
142         shift += 7;
(gdb)
141         result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
144     while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d54b    144     while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde103 "",
insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of bounds>,
context=context@entry=0x7fffffffdd370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffffdd460) at .././././libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:970
970     offset = (_Unwind_Sword) utmp * fs->data_align;
(gdb)
972         if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE (reg))
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d559    972         if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE
(reg))
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d55b    972         if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE
(reg))
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d55f    972         if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE
(reg))
(gdb)
974             fs->regs.reg[reg].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
975             fs->regs.reg[reg].loc.offset = offset;

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(gdb) print fs
$153 = (_Unwind_FrameState *) 0x7fffffff460
(gdb) print *fs
$154 = {regs = {reg = {{loc = {reg = 0, offset = 0, exp = 0x0},
how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET}, {loc = {reg = 0, offset = 0,
exp = 0x0}, how = REG_UNSAVED} <repeats 17 times>},
prev = 0x0, cfa_offset = 0, cfa_reg = 0, cfa_exp = 0x0,
cfa_how = CFA_UNSET}, pc = 0x400630 <main>, personality =
0x0, data_align = 0, code_align = 0, retaddr_column = 0,
fde_encoding = 0 '\000', lsd_encoding = 255 '\377', saw_z = 0
'\000', signal_frame = 0 '\000', eh_ptr = 0x0}
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400d56c    975          fs-
>regs.reg[reg].loc.offset = offset;
(gdb) print offset
$155 = 0
(gdb) si
957      while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4eb    957      while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb)
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context=0x7fffffff370) at
../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:202
202      return (context->flags & SIGNAL_FRAME_BIT) ? 1 : 0;
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde103 "",
insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of bounds>,
context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:958
958      && fs->pc < context->ra + _Unwind_IsSignalFrame
(context))
(gdb)
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context=0x7fffffff370) at
../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:202
202      return (context->flags & SIGNAL_FRAME_BIT) ? 1 : 0;
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde103 "",
insn_end=0x8000413f2246 <Address 0x8000413f2246 out of bounds>,
context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:958
958      && fs->pc < context->ra + _Unwind_IsSignalFrame
(context))
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d506    958          && fs->pc < context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context))
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d509    958          && fs->pc < context->ra +
_Unwind_IsSignalFrame (context))
(gdb)
960          unsigned char insn = *insn_ptr++;
(gdb)
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0x00000035c400d49b    960          unsigned char insn =
*insn_ptr++;
(gdb)
964          if ((insn & 0xc0) == DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a1    964          if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400d4a1 <execute_cfa_program+113>: and
$0xffffffffc0,%esi
    0x35c400d4a4 <execute_cfa_program+116>: cmp    $0x40,%sil
    0x35c400d4a8 <execute_cfa_program+120>: je    0x35c400d4d0
<execute_cfa_program+160>
    0x35c400d4aa <execute_cfa_program+122>: cmp    $0x80,%sil
    0x35c400d4ae <execute_cfa_program+126>: je    0x35c400d520
<execute_cfa_program+240>
    0x35c400d4b0 <execute_cfa_program+128>: cmp    $0xc0,%sil
    0x35c400d4b4 <execute_cfa_program+132>: je    0x35c400d578
<execute_cfa_program+328>
    0x35c400d4ba <execute_cfa_program+138>: cmp    $0x2f,%al
    0x35c400d4bc <execute_cfa_program+140>: ja    0x35c400d5a9
<execute_cfa_program+377>
    0x35c400d4c2 <execute_cfa_program+146>: movslq
(%rdx,%rax,4),%rax
    0x35c400d4c6 <execute_cfa_program+150>: add    %rdx,%rax
    0x35c400d4c9 <execute_cfa_program+153>: jmpq  *%rax
    0x35c400d4cb <execute_cfa_program+155>: nopl
0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
    0x35c400d4d0 <execute_cfa_program+160>: and    $0x3f,%eax
    0x35c400d4d3 <execute_cfa_program+163>: mov    %r12,%rbx
    0x35c400d4d6 <execute_cfa_program+166>: imul
0x160(%r13),%rax
    0x35c400d4de <execute_cfa_program+174>: add    %rcx,%rax
    0x35c400d4e1 <execute_cfa_program+177>: mov
%rax,0x148(%r13)
    0x35c400d4e8 <execute_cfa_program+184>: cmp    %r15,%rbx
    0x35c400d4eb <execute_cfa_program+187>: jae   0x35c400d50b
<execute_cfa_program+219>
(gdb) set $esi = 0xc8
(gdb) set $esi = 0x2f
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...
**<fix the memory to avoid killing by gcc unreachable() or
gcc assert(>**

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...
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400d4a4    964          if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a8    964          if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
966          else if ((insn & 0xc0) == DW_CFA_offset)
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(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4ae  966      else if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_offset)
(gdb)
978      else if ((insn & 0xc0) == DW_CFA_restore)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4b4  978      else if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_restore)
(gdb)
985      else switch (insn)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4bc  985      else switch (insn)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4c2  985      else switch (insn)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4c6  985      else switch (insn)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4c9  985      else switch (insn)
(gdb)
960      unsigned char insn = *insn_ptr++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d5b1  960      unsigned char insn =
*insn_ptr++;
(gdb)
957      while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400d4e8 <execute_cfa_program+184>: cmp      %r15,%rbx
0x35c400d4eb <execute_cfa_program+187>: jae      0x35c400d50b
<execute_cfa_program+219>
0x35c400d4ed <execute_cfa_program+189>: mov      0xc0(%r14),%rax
0x35c400d4f4 <execute_cfa_program+196>: mov      0x148(%r13),%rcx
0x35c400d4fb <execute_cfa_program+203>: shr      $0x3f,%rax
0x35c400d4ff <execute_cfa_program+207>: add      0x98(%r14),%rax
0x35c400d506 <execute_cfa_program+214>: cmp      %rax,%rcx
0x35c400d509 <execute_cfa_program+217>: jb      0x35c400d498
<execute_cfa_program+104>
0x35c400d50b <execute_cfa_program+219>: lea     -
0x28(%rbp),%rsp
0x35c400d50f <execute_cfa_program+223>: pop      %rbx
0x35c400d510 <execute_cfa_program+224>: pop      %r12
0x35c400d512 <execute_cfa_program+226>: pop      %r13
0x35c400d514 <execute_cfa_program+228>: pop      %r14
0x35c400d516 <execute_cfa_program+230>: pop      %r15
0x35c400d518 <execute_cfa_program+232>: pop      %rbp
0x35c400d519 <execute_cfa_program+233>: retq
0x35c400d51a <execute_cfa_program+234>: nopw
0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
0x35c400d520 <execute_cfa_program+240>: mov      %rax,%rdi
0x35c400d523 <execute_cfa_program+243>: mov      %r12,%rbx

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0x35c400d526 <execute_cfa_program+246>: xor    %esi,%esi
(gdb) i r r15 rbx
r15          0x8000413f2246    140738583011910
rbx          0x7fffffffde104    140737488216324
(gdb) set $r15 = $rbx

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...

<Try to jump out from the while loop because it will take forever and requires fixing memory object for each iteration>

...

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(gdb) i r r15 rbx
r15          0x7fffffffde104    140737488216324
rbx          0x7fffffffde104    140737488216324
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400d4eb    957    while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb)
1224    }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d50f    1224    }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d510    1224    }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d512    1224    }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d514    1224    }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d516    1224    }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d518    1224    }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d519    1224    }
(gdb)
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffffed370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffffed460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1273
1273    aug += 2 * size_of_encoded_value (fs->fde_encoding);
(gdb)
1272    aug = (const unsigned char *) fde + sizeof (*fde);
(gdb)
size_of_encoded_value (encoding=0 '\000') at
../../../../libgcc/unwind-pe.h:74
74    if (encoding == DW_EH_PE_omit)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eece    74    if (encoding == DW_EH_PE_omit)
(gdb)
77    switch (encoding & 0x07)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eed7    77    switch (encoding & 0x07)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eed9    77    switch (encoding & 0x07)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eedf    77    switch (encoding & 0x07)
(gdb)
77    switch (encoding & 0x07)

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(gdb)
0x00000035c400f51b    77      switch (encoding & 0x07)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400eef6    77      switch (encoding & 0x07)
(gdb)
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1273
1273    aug += 2 * size_of_encoded_value (fs->fde_encoding);
(gdb)
1274    insn = NULL;
(gdb)
1275    if (fs->saw_z)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ef09    1275    if (fs->saw_z)
(gdb)
1281    if (fs->lsda_encoding != DW_EH_PE_omit)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ef38    1281    if (fs->lsda_encoding !=
DW_EH_PE_omit)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400ef3c    1281    if (fs->lsda_encoding !=
DW_EH_PE_omit)
(gdb)
next_fde (f=<optimized out>) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2-
fde.h:163
163    return (const fde *) ((const char *) f + f->length +
sizeof (f->length));
(gdb)
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1291
1291    insn = aug;
(gdb)
1293    execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
(gdb)
1291    insn = aug;
(gdb)
1293    execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f472    1293    execute_cfa_program (insn, end,
context, fs);
(gdb)
next_fde (f=0x7fffffffde101) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2-
fde.h:163
163    return (const fde *) ((const char *) f + f->length +
sizeof (f->length));
(gdb)
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1293
1293    execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=insn_ptr@entry=0x7fffffffde119 'A'
<repeats 200 times>....,
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    insn_end=0x7fffffffde185 'A' <repeats 200 times>...,
context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370, fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
  at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:942
942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d431    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d434    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d436    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d439    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d43b    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d43d    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d440    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d442    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d443    942  {
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d446    942  {
(gdb)
957      while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb) n
946      fs->regs.prev = NULL;
(gdb)
957      while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb)
958          && fs->pc < context->ra + _Unwind_IsSignalFrame
(context))
(gdb)
1169          insn_ptr = read_sleb128 (insn_ptr, &stmp);
(gdb)
985          else switch (insn)
(gdb) x/20i $rip
=> 0x35c400d487 <execute_cfa_program+87>: lea
0x5162(%rip),%rdx          # 0x35c40125f0
    0x35c400d48e <execute_cfa_program+94>: xor    %r8d,%r8d
    0x35c400d491 <execute_cfa_program+97>: mov    %rax,-
0x48(%rbp)
    0x35c400d495 <execute_cfa_program+101>: nopl   (%rax)
    0x35c400d498 <execute_cfa_program+104>: movzbl (%rbx),%eax
    0x35c400d49b <execute_cfa_program+107>: lea   0x1(%rbx),%r12
    0x35c400d49f <execute_cfa_program+111>: mov   %eax,%esi
    0x35c400d4a1 <execute_cfa_program+113>: and   $0xffffffffc0,%esi
    0x35c400d4a4 <execute_cfa_program+116>: cmp   $0x40,%sil
    0x35c400d4a8 <execute_cfa_program+120>: je    0x35c400d4d0
<execute_cfa_program+160>

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0x35c400d4aa <execute_cfa_program+122>: cmp    $0x80,%sil
0x35c400d4ae <execute_cfa_program+126>: je     0x35c400d520
<execute_cfa_program+240>
0x35c400d4b0 <execute_cfa_program+128>: cmp    $0xc0,%sil
0x35c400d4b4 <execute_cfa_program+132>: je     0x35c400d578
<execute_cfa_program+328>
0x35c400d4ba <execute_cfa_program+138>: cmp    $0x2f,%al
0x35c400d4bc <execute_cfa_program+140>: ja     0x35c400d5a9
<execute_cfa_program+377>
0x35c400d4c2 <execute_cfa_program+146>: movslq
(%rdx,%rax,4),%rax
0x35c400d4c6 <execute_cfa_program+150>: add    %rdx,%rax
0x35c400d4c9 <execute_cfa_program+153>: jmpq   *%rax
0x35c400d4cb <execute_cfa_program+155>: nopl
0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
(gdb) x/x $rbx
0x7fffffffde119: 0x41

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(gdb) set *$rbx = 0x80 <- Let's try the same again ;)
```

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...
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<fix the memory to avoid killing by gcc unreachable() or gcc assert()>

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...
```

```

(gdb) si
943     struct frame_state_reg_info *unused_rs = NULL;
(gdb)
1169     insn_ptr = read_sleb128 (insn_ptr, &stmp);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d495    1169     insn_ptr = read_sleb128
(insn_ptr, &stmp);
(gdb)
960     unsigned char insn = *insn_ptr++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d49b    960     unsigned char insn =
*insn_ptr++;
(gdb)
964     if ((insn & 0xc0) == DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a1    964     if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a4    964     if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4a8    964     if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_advance_loc)
(gdb)
966     else if ((insn & 0xc0) == DW_CFA_offset)
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4ae    966     else if ((insn & 0xc0) ==
DW_CFA_offset)
(gdb)
968     reg = insn & 0x3f;

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```
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d523    968          reg = insn & 0x3f;
(gdb)
read_uleb128 (val=<optimized out>, p=<optimized out>) at
../../../../../libgcc/unwind-pe.h:137
137      result = 0;
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde11a "",
insn_ptr@entry=0x7fffffffde119 "\200",
      insn_end=0x7fffffffde185 'A' <repeats 200 times>...,
context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370, fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
      at ../../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:968
968          reg = insn & 0x3f;
(gdb)
read_uleb128 (val=<synthetic pointer>, p=0x7fffffffde11a "") at
../../../../../libgcc/unwind-pe.h:133
133      unsigned int shift = 0;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d52d    133          unsigned int shift = 0;
(gdb)
140          byte = *p++;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d534    140          byte = *p++;
(gdb)
141          result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d53c    141          result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d53f    141          result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte &
0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
142          shift += 7;
(gdb)
141          result |= ((_uleb128_t)byte & 0x7f) << shift;
(gdb)
144      while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d54b    144          while (byte & 0x80);
(gdb)
execute_cfa_program (insn_ptr=0x7fffffffde11b "",
insn_ptr@entry=0x7fffffffde119 "\200",
      insn_end=0x7fffffffde185 'A' <repeats 200 times>...,
context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370, fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
      at ../../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:970
970          offset = (_Unwind_Sword) utmp * fs->data_align;
(gdb)
972          if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE (reg))
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d559    972          if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE
(reg))
(gdb)
```

```
0x00000035c400d55b  972          if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE
(reg))
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d55f  972          if (UNWIND_COLUMN_IN_RANGE
(reg))
(gdb)
974                fs->regs.reg[reg].how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET;
(gdb)
975                fs->regs.reg[reg].loc.offset = offset;
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d56c  975          fs-
>regs.reg[reg].loc.offset = offset;
(gdb)
957      while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d4eb  957      while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb) x/20i $rip-10
    0x35c400d4e1 <execute_cfa_program+177>: mov
%rax,0x148(%r13)
    0x35c400d4e8 <execute_cfa_program+184>: cmp    %r15,%rbx
=> 0x35c400d4eb <execute_cfa_program+187>: jae    0x35c400d50b
<execute_cfa_program+219>
    0x35c400d4ed <execute_cfa_program+189>: mov
0xc0(%r14),%rax
    0x35c400d4f4 <execute_cfa_program+196>: mov
0x148(%r13),%rcx
    0x35c400d4fb <execute_cfa_program+203>: shr    $0x3f,%rax
    0x35c400d4ff <execute_cfa_program+207>: add
0x98(%r14),%rax
    0x35c400d506 <execute_cfa_program+214>: cmp    %rax,%rcx
    0x35c400d509 <execute_cfa_program+217>: jb    0x35c400d498
<execute_cfa_program+104>
    0x35c400d50b <execute_cfa_program+219>: lea   -
0x28(%rbp),%rsp
    0x35c400d50f <execute_cfa_program+223>: pop    %rbx
    0x35c400d510 <execute_cfa_program+224>: pop    %r12
    0x35c400d512 <execute_cfa_program+226>: pop    %r13
    0x35c400d514 <execute_cfa_program+228>: pop    %r14
    0x35c400d516 <execute_cfa_program+230>: pop    %r15
    0x35c400d518 <execute_cfa_program+232>: pop    %rbp
    0x35c400d519 <execute_cfa_program+233>: retq
    0x35c400d51a <execute_cfa_program+234>: nopw
0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
    0x35c400d520 <execute_cfa_program+240>: mov    %rax,%rdi
    0x35c400d523 <execute_cfa_program+243>: mov    %r12,%rbx
(gdb) i r r15 rbx
r15          0x7fffffffde185    140737488216453
rbx          0x7fffffffde11b    140737488216347
(gdb) set $r15 = $rbx
(gdb) set $rip = 0x35c400d4e8
...

```

<fix while loop again.. <- its 2nd entry to this function (for upper FDE)>

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...
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400d4eb    957    while (insn_ptr < insn_end
(gdb)
1224 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d50f    1224 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d510    1224 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d512    1224 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d514    1224 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d516    1224 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d518    1224 }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400d519    1224 }
(gdb)
uw_frame_state_for (context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1296
1296 }
(gdb) list
1291     insn = aug;
1292     end = (const unsigned char *) next_fde (fde);
1293     execute_cfa_program (insn, end, context, fs);
1294
1295     return _URC_NO_REASON;
1296 }
1297 ^L
1298 typedef struct frame_state
1299 {
1300     void *cfa;
(gdb)
1301     void *eh_ptr;
1302     long cfa_offset;
1303     long args_size;
1304     long reg_or_offset[PRE_GCC3_DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS+1];
1305     unsigned short cfa_reg;
1306     unsigned short retaddr_column;
1307     char saved[PRE_GCC3_DWARF_FRAME_REGISTERS+1];
1308 } frame_state;
1309
1310 struct frame_state * __frame_state_for (void *, struct
frame_state *);
(gdb) si
1295     return _URC_NO_REASON;
(gdb)
1296 }

```

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(gdb)
0x00000035c400f486    1296  }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f487    1296  }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f489    1296  }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f48b    1296  }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f48d    1296  }
(gdb)
0x00000035c400f48f    1296  }
(gdb)
_Unwind_Backtrace (trace=0x35c1909bc0 <backtrace_helper>,
trace_argument=0x7fffffff620) at ../../../../libgcc/unwind.inc:291
291     if (code != _URC_NO_REASON && code !=
    _URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb)
290     code = uw_frame_state_for (&context, &fs);
(gdb) n
291     if (code != _URC_NO_REASON && code !=
    _URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb) print code
$157 = _URC_NO_REASON
(gdb) n
295     if ((*trace) (&context, trace_argument) !=
    _URC_NO_REASON)
(gdb)
299     if (code == _URC_END_OF_STACK)
(gdb) print code
$158 = _URC_NO_REASON
(gdb) n
303     uw_update_context (&context, &fs);
(gdb) si
0x00000035c400ff06    303      uw_update_context (&context,
&fs);
(gdb) n

Program received signal SIGABRT, Aborted.
0x00000035c1835a19 in __GI_raise (sig=sig@entry=6) at
../../nptl/sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/raise.c:56
56     return INLINE_SYSCALL (tgkill, 3, pid, selftid, sig);
(gdb) bt
#0  0x00000035c1835a19 in __GI_raise (sig=sig@entry=6) at
../../nptl/sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/raise.c:56
#1  0x00000035c1837128 in __GI_abort () at abort.c:90
#2  0x00000035c400e8d5 in uw_update_context_1
(context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
    at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1430
```

```
#3 0x00000035c400eb61 in uw_update_context
(context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
  at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1506
#4 0x00000035c400ff0e in __Unwind_Backtrace (trace=0x35c1909bc0
<backtrace_helper>, trace_argument=0x7fffffff620)
  at ../../../../libgcc/unwind.inc:303
#5 0x00000035c1909d36 in __GI__backtrace
(array=array@entry=0x7fffffff800, size=size@entry=64)
  at ./sysdeps/x86_64/backtrace.c:109
#6 0x00000035c1875d64 in __libc_message
(do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n") at
./sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:176
#7 0x00000035c190d6b7 in __GI__fortify_fail
(msg=msg@entry=0x35c197d2ea "stack smashing detected") at
fortify_fail.c:31
#8 0x00000035c190d680 in __stack_chk_fail () at
stack_chk_fail.c:28
#9 0x00000000004006b1 in main ()
(gdb) up
#1 0x00000035c1837128 in __GI_abort () at abort.c:90
90      raise (SIGABRT);
(gdb)
#2 0x00000035c400e8d5 in uw_update_context_1
(context=context@entry=0x7fffffff370,
fs=fs@entry=0x7fffffff460)
  at ../../../../libgcc/unwind-dw2.c:1430
1430      gcc_unreachable (); <- one of the object wasn't
patched ;)
(gdb) print fs->regs.cfa_how
$159 = CFA_UNSET
(gdb) print *fs
$160 = {regs = {reg = {{loc = {reg = 0, offset = 0, exp = 0x0}},
how = REG_SAVED_OFFSET}, {loc = {reg = 0, offset = 0,
exp = 0x0}, how = REG_UNSAVED} <repeats 17 times>},
prev = 0x0, cfa_offset = 0, cfa_reg = 0, cfa_exp = 0x0,
cfa_how = CFA_UNSET}, pc = 0x400630 <main>, personality =
0x0, data_align = 0, code_align = 0, retaddr_column = 0,
fde_encoding = 0 '\000', lsd_encoding = 255 '\377', saw_z = 0
'\000', signal_frame = 0 '\000', eh_ptr = 0x0}
```

Somehow security related:

Scenario 1 – force SSP to recopy existing process's memory region to the newly allocated one. It is very difficult because to hit vulnerable code, you need to fix all possible crashes which I've described before (and reproduced). This mean fixing environment block, pointers to argument etc. I've switched off ASLR + did some memory patching just to monitor control flow and to see possible memory exhaustion. In my scenario I've allocated 2GB of memory where I've pointed as pointer to the program's name.

```
[pi3@localhost ~]$ gdb -q -p 13633
Attaching to process 13633
Reading symbols from /home/pi3/test...done.
Reading symbols from /lib64/libc.so.6...Reading symbols from
/usr/lib/debug/lib64/libc-2.17.so.debug...done.
done.
Loaded symbols for /lib64/libc.so.6
Reading symbols from /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2...Reading
symbols from /usr/lib/debug/lib64/ld-2.17.so.debug...done.
done.
Loaded symbols for /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x00000035c18e7650 in __read_nocancel () at
../sysdeps/unix/syscall-template.S:81
81  T_PSEUDO (SYSCALL_SYMBOL, SYSCALL_NAME, SYSCALL_NARGS)
(gdb) b libc_fatal.c:66
Breakpoint 1 at 0x35c1875a37: file
../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c, line 66.
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 1, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
  at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:66
66  const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv
("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
(gdb) ni
57  va_start (ap, fmt);
(gdb)
0x00000035c1875a45  57  va_start (ap, fmt);
(gdb)
0x00000035c1875a4c  57  va_start (ap, fmt);
(gdb)
0x00000035c1875a56  57  va_start (ap, fmt);
(gdb)
52  {
(gdb)
57  va_start (ap, fmt);
(gdb)
58  va_copy (ap_copy, ap);
(gdb)
0x00000035c1875a75  58  va_copy (ap_copy, ap);
(gdb)
```

```
0x00000035c1875a7c 58 va_copy (ap_copy, ap);
(gdb)
0x00000035c1875a80 58 va_copy (ap_copy, ap);
(gdb)
0x00000035c1875a87 58 va_copy (ap_copy, ap);
(gdb)
0x00000035c1875a8e 58 va_copy (ap_copy, ap);
(gdb)
66 const char *on_2 = __libc_secure_getenv
("LIBC_FATAL_STDERR_");
(gdb)
67 if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
(gdb) si
0x00000035c1875a9d 67 if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
(gdb) x/20i 0x00000035c1875a9d
=> 0x35c1875a9d <__libc_message+205>: je 0x35c1875aa8
<__libc_message+216>
0x35c1875a9f <__libc_message+207>: cmpb $0x0, (%rax)
0x35c1875aa2 <__libc_message+210>: jne 0x35c1875c68
<__libc_message+664>
0x35c1875aa8 <__libc_message+216>: lea
0x1061c6(%rip), %rdi # 0x35c197bc75
0x35c1875aaf <__libc_message+223>: xor %eax, %eax
0x35c1875ab1 <__libc_message+225>: mov $0x902, %esi
0x35c1875ab6 <__libc_message+230>: callq 0x35c18e7459
<__open_nocancel>
0x35c1875abb <__libc_message+235>: cmp $0xffffffff, %eax
0x35c1875abe <__libc_message+238>: mov %eax, -0x718(%rbp)
0x35c1875ac4 <__libc_message+244>: je 0x35c1875c68
<__libc_message+664>
0x35c1875aca <__libc_message+250>: mov -0x720(%rbp), %rax
0x35c1875ad1 <__libc_message+257>: xor %r14d, %r14d
0x35c1875ad4 <__libc_message+260>: xor %r13d, %r13d
0x35c1875ad7 <__libc_message+263>: movzbl (%rax), %r12d
0x35c1875adb <__libc_message+267>: mov %rax, %rbx
0x35c1875ade <__libc_message+270>: test %r12b, %r12b
0x35c1875ae1 <__libc_message+273>: je 0x35c1875c8e
<__libc_message+702>
0x35c1875ae7 <__libc_message+279>: nopw 0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
0x35c1875af0 <__libc_message+288>: mov %r12d, %edx
0x35c1875af3 <__libc_message+291>: mov %rbx, %rax
(gdb) i r rax
rax 0x7fff8b4a4fe0 140735530291168
(gdb) x/x $rax
0x7fff8b4a4fe0: 0x706d742f
(gdb) si
0x00000035c1875a9f 67 if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
(gdb) si
0x00000035c1875aa2 67 if (on_2 == NULL || *on_2 == '\0')
(gdb) x/10i 0x35c1875c68
0x35c1875c68 <__libc_message+664>: movl $0x2, -0x718(%rbp)
```

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0x35c1875c72 <__libc_message+674>: jmpq 0x35c1875aca
<__libc_message+250>
0x35c1875c77 <__libc_message+679>: mov -0x708(%rbp),%rax
0x35c1875c7e <__libc_message+686>: lea 0x8(%rax),%rdx
0x35c1875c82 <__libc_message+690>: mov %rdx,-0x708(%rbp)
0x35c1875c89 <__libc_message+697>: jmpq 0x35c1875b8f
<__libc_message+447>
0x35c1875c8e <__libc_message+702>: mov -0x720(%rbp),%rsi
0x35c1875c95 <__libc_message+709>: lea -0x6f8(%rbp),%rdx
0x35c1875c9c <__libc_message+716>: mov $0x3,%edi
0x35c1875ca1 <__libc_message+721>: callq 0x35c18f0430

```

```
<__vsyslog>
```

```
(gdb) i r rip
```

```
rip 0x35c1875c68 0x35c1875c68 <__libc_message+664>
```

```
(gdb) bt
```

```

#0 __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
    at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:71
#1 0x00000035c190d6b7 in __GI__fortify_fail
    (msg=msg@entry=0x35c197d2ea "stack smashing detected") at
fortify_fail.c:31
#2 0x00000035c190d680 in __stack_chk_fail () at
stack_chk_fail.c:28
#3 0x000000000040075a in main (argc=2, argv=0x7fff8b4a32e8) at
test.c:15

```

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...
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```
...
```

```
<bla bla bla>
```

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...
```

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...
```

```
(gdb) c
```

```
Continuing.
```

```

Breakpoint 4, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
    at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:95

```

```
95 len = strlen (str);
```

```
(gdb) print str
```

```
$5 = 0x35c197d2ea "stack smashing detected"
```

```
(gdb) c
```

```
Continuing.
```

```

Breakpoint 3, __libc_message (do_abort=do_abort@entry=2,
fmt=fmt@entry=0x35c197d302 "*** %s ***: %s terminated\n")
    at ../sysdeps/unix/sysv/linux/libc_fatal.c:106

```

```
106 newp->str = str;
```

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
<bla bla bla>
```

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...
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...
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```
(gdb) ni
```

```
0x00000035c1875b9a 95      len = strlen (str);  
(gdb)  
96      cp += 2;  
(gdb) print len  
$11 = -2147483647
```

For some reason my gdb has small bug here:

```
(gdb) print len  
$11 = -2147483647
```

Program was correctly compiled with debug symbols (flags: "-ggdb" and "-g") but gdb could find correct definition of "len" variable and dumped it as integer (which is the default type in case when gdb don't know the type).

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