

18-600: Recitation #3

Bomb Lab & GDB: Our friendly debugger

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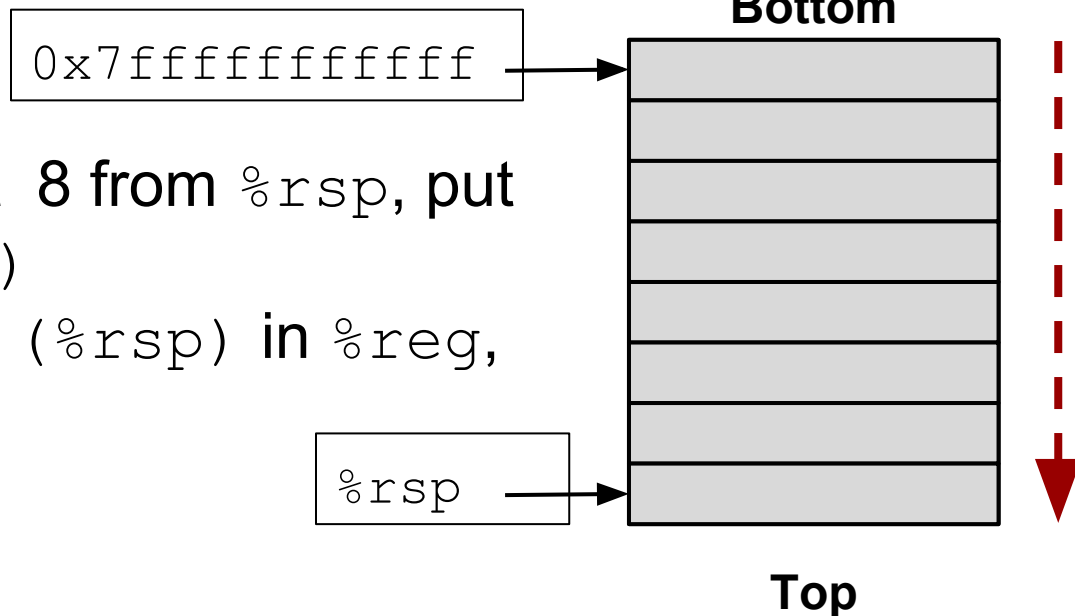
- **X86-64 Overview**
- **Bomb Lab Intro/GDB Tutorial**

x86-64: Register Conventions

- Arguments passed in registers:
`%rdi, %rsi, %rdx, %rcx, %r8, %r9`
- Return value: `%rax`
- Callee-saved: `%rbx, %r12, %r13, %r14, %rbp, %rsp`
- Caller-saved: `%rdi, %rsi, %rdx, %rcx, %r8, %r9, %rax, %r10, %r11`
- Stack pointer: `%rsp`
- Instruction pointer: `%rip`

x86-64: The Stack

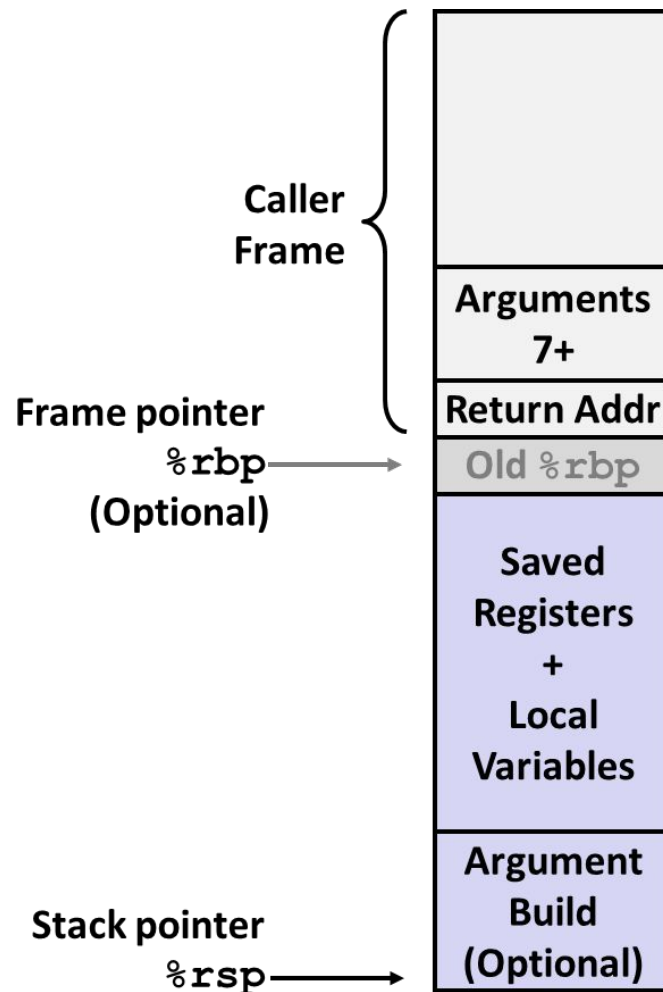
- Grows **downward** towards **lower** memory addresses
- `%rsp` points to **top** of stack



- `push %reg`: subtract 8 from `%rsp`, put val in `%reg` at (`%rsp`)
- `pop %reg`: put val at (`%rsp`) in `%reg`, add 8 to `%rsp`

x86-64: Stack Frames

- Every function call has its own **stack frame**.
- Think of a frame as a workspace for each call.
 - Local variables
 - Callee & Caller-saved registers
 - Optional arguments for a function call



x86-64: Function Call Setup

Caller:

- Allocates stack frame large enough for saved registers, optional arguments
- Save any caller-saved registers in frame
- Save any optional arguments (in **reverse order**) in frame
- `call foo`: push `%rip` to stack, jump to label `foo`

Callee:

- Push any callee-saved registers, decrease `%rsp` to make room for new frame

x86-64: Function Call Return

Callee:

- Increase `%rsp`, pop any callee-saved registers (in **reverse order**), execute `ret: pop %rip`

Bomb Lab/GDB Overview

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■ Logical errors: Occur due to unexpected output

- Incorrect assumptions about behavior of
 - programming language. Eg: implicit casting in c
 - variables. Eg: volatile vs auto vs static variables
 - functions: user defined, libraries. Eg: use of unsafe `strcpy()`, `strcat()` functions
- Errors in arithmetic operations. Eg: overflow, truncation
- Not protecting critical sections (more on this in later lectures)
- Or merely incorrect logic

Debugging Runtime and Logical Errors

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Debuggers help
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- Using “printf” in different parts of the program
- Test programs each time more complexity is added
- Have checkers to ensure guarantees at entry and exit of each function. You will do this in malloc lab
- Test incrementally: Use simple to more complex tests
- Use software tools
 - gdb: Program debugger
 - valgrind: Memory debugger
 - objdump -d: Disassembles object file

What is a debugger ?

- Program that allows you to see what a program is doing while it executes
- Program that also allows you to observe program state when it crashed
- A good debugger must allow:
 - Start and stop programs arbitrarily
 - Controlled stepping through a program
 - Enable examining code and data
 - Maintain history of a program run and print useful information about it
 - GDB is a great example of a good debugger!

GDB: Program debugger

- GNU debugger - GDB is the standard debugger for Unix like operating systems
- It is used to debug programs written in C, C++, Java

Getting started with using GDB

1. Compiling the program: You have to tell your compiler to compile your code with symbolic debugging information included. Here's how to do it with gcc, with the -g switch:

```
gcc -g hello.c -o hello
```

2. Run gdb on the executable

```
gdb hello
```

3. Type 'help' to see how to use gdb

```
preeti@127:~$ gdb hello
GNU gdb (Ubuntu 7.10-1ubuntu2) 7.10
Copyright (C) 2015 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law. Type "show copying"
and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "x86_64-linux-gnu".
Type "show configuration" for configuration details.
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>.
Find the GDB manual and other documentation resources online at:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/documentation/>.
For help, type "help".
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
Reading symbols from hello...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
(gdb) help
List of classes of commands:

aliases -- Aliases of other commands
breakpoints -- Making program stop at certain points
data -- Examining data
files -- Specifying and examining files
internals -- Maintenance commands
obscure -- Obscure features
running -- Running the program
stack -- Examining the stack
status -- Status inquiries
support -- Support facilities
tracepoints -- Tracing of program execution without stopping the program
user-defined -- User-defined commands

Type "help" followed by a class name for a list of commands in that class.
Type "help all" for the list of all commands.
Type "help" followed by command name for full documentation.
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word".
Command name abbreviations are allowed if unambiguous.
(gdb) █
```

Example Program: The binary bomb !

- The nefarious Dr. Evil has planted a slew of “binary bombs” on our 64-bit shark machines.
- A binary bomb is a program that consists of a sequence of phases. Each phase expects you to type a particular string on stdin.
- If you type the correct string, then the phase is defused and the bomb proceeds to the next phase.
- Otherwise, the bomb explodes by printing "BOOM!!!" and then terminating. The bomb is defused when every phase has been defused.
- Our mission is to defuse the bomb.
- Remember that we do not have the source code of the bomb. But we do know that each phase is a function with prefix 'phase_' and appended with the phase number
- Our simple bomb has six phases, we will diffuse one in this class :)

Phase 1

Oops!

```
-bash-4.1$ ./bomb
Welcome to my fiendish little bomb. You have 6 phases with
which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!
1

BOOM!!!
The bomb has blown up.
Your instructor has been notified.
-bash-4.1$
```

GDB to the rescue!

- We know that the function is called `phase_1` (see `bomb.c`). Let's 'break' at that.

```
-bash-4.1$ gdb bomb
GNU gdb (GDB) 7.6
Copyright (C) 2013 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law. Type "show copying"
and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu".
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>...
Reading symbols from /afs/andrew.cmu.edu/usr5/preetium/private/labs/bomblab/bomb397/bomb...done.
(gdb) break phase_1
Breakpoint 1 at 0x401380
(gdb) run
Starting program: /afs/andrew.cmu.edu/usr5/preetium/private/labs/bomblab/bomb397/bomb
Welcome to my fiendish little bomb. You have 6 phases with
which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!
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Breakpoint 1, 0x0000000000401380 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) █
```

GDB: Breakpoints

- Breakpoints are set for specific lines in the code
- Running programs always stop at a breakpoint and hand you control
- Breakpoints can be set in any of the following ways:
 - `break main` - break at the beginning of `main()`
 - `break 50` - break at the 50th line in the executable
 - `break hello.c:50` - break at the 50th line in `hello.c`
- You can list the current break points and enable/disable break points

```
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000000000401380 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) info b
Num      Type      Disp Enb Address      What
1        breakpoint keep y  0x0000000000401380 <phase_1>
          breakpoint already hit 1 time
(gdb) disable 1
(gdb) info b
Num      Type      Disp Enb Address      What
1        breakpoint keep n  0x0000000000401380 <phase_1>
          breakpoint already hit 1 time
(gdb) 
```

GDB: Layouts

- **'layout' command specifies which windows you see**
 - layout asm: Standard layout, assembly window on top, command window on the bottom
 - layout src: Same as previous, but source code window on top (**NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS LAB**)
 - layout reg: Opens the register window on top of either source or assembly, whichever was opened last
 - layout prev/next: Navigate between layouts
- **'layout' command is useful when you want to paralely observe your code**

```
(gdb) break phase_1
Breakpoint 1 at 0x401380
(gdb) run
Starting program: /afs/andrew.cmu.edu/usr5/pre
Welcome to my fiendish little bomb. You have 6
which to blow yourself up. Have a nice day!
1

Breakpoint 1, 0x0000000000401380 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) layout asm
```

Result of 'layout asm'

```

3+> 0x401380 <phase_1>      sub    $0x8,%rsp
    0x401384 <phase_1+4>     mov    $0x4a5950,%esi
    0x401389 <phase_1+9>     callq  0x401770 <strings_not_equal>
    0x40138e <phase_1+14>    test   %eax,%eax
    0x401390 <phase_1+16>    je     0x401397 <phase_1+23>
    0x401392 <phase_1+18>    callq  0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
    0x401397 <phase_1+23>    add     $0x8,%rsp
    0x40139b <phase_1+27>    retq
    0x40139c <phase_2>       push   %rbx
    0x40139d <phase_2+1>     sub     $0x20,%rsp
    0x4013a1 <phase_2+5>     mov     %rsp,%rsi
    0x4013a4 <phase_2+8>     callq  0x401a7a <read_six_numbers>
    0x4013a9 <phase_2+13>    cmpl   $0x1,(%rsp)
    0x4013ad <phase_2+17>    je     0x4013b4 <phase_2+24>
    0x4013af <phase_2+19>    callq  0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
    0x4013b4 <phase_2+24>    mov     $0x1,%ebx
    0x4013b9 <phase_2+29>    jmp    0x4013d5 <phase_2+57>
    0x4013bb <phase_2+31>    movslq %ebx,%rdx
    0x4013be <phase_2+34>    lea     -0x1(%rbx),%eax
    0x4013c1 <phase_2+37>    cltq
    0x4013c3 <phase_2+39>    mov     (%rsp,%rax,4),%eax
    0x4013c6 <phase_2+42>    add     %eax,%eax
    0x4013c8 <phase_2+44>    cmp     %eax,(%rsp,%rdx,4)

```

child process 20359 In: phase_1

(gdb) layout reg

Result of 'layout reg'

Register group: general									
rax	0x6d9680	7181952	rbx	0x403260	4207200	rcx	0x1	1	
rdx	0x1	1	rsi	0x6d9680	7181952	rdi	0x6d9680	7181952	
rbp	0x0	0x0	rsp	0x7fffffff	e1e8 0x7fffffff	e1e8	r8	0x6db880	7190656
r9	0x0	0	r10	0x22	34	r11	0x246	582	
r12	0x4031d0	4207056	r13	0x0	0	r14	0x0	0	
r15	0x0	0	rip	0x401380	0x401380	<phase_1>	eflags	0x206	[PF IF]
cs	0x33	51	ss	0x2b	43	ds	0x0	0	
es	0x0	0	fs	0x63	99	gs	0x0	0	

```

B+> 0x401380 <phase_1>    sub    $0x8,%rsp
      0x401384 <phase_1+4>  mov    $0x4a5950,%esi
      0x401389 <phase_1+9>  callq  0x401770 <strings_not_equal>
      0x40138e <phase_1+14> test    %eax,%eax
      0x401390 <phase_1+16> je      0x401397 <phase_1+23>
      0x401392 <phase_1+18> callq  0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
      0x401397 <phase_1+23> add     $0x8,%rsp
      0x40139b <phase_1+27> retq
      0x40139c <phase_2>    push    %rbx
      0x40139d <phase_2+1>  sub     $0x20,%rsp
      0x4013a1 <phase_2+5>  mov     %rsp,%rsi

```

child process 2946 In: phase_1

Line: ??

(gdb)

Stepping around

■ Stepping through source code

- `gcc -g hello.c`: Compiles with line number information (Can also step through assembly)
- `step`: Moves to the next line in the current program: steps 'into' function calls
- `step n`: Move n lines from the current position: 'n' includes lines from inside function calls
- `next`: Moves to the next line in the current program: steps 'over' function calls
- `next n`: Move n lines from the current position: 'n' excludes lines having function calls

■ Stepping through assembly code (**RECOMMENDED**)

- `gcc hello.c`: Compiles 'without' line number information (Cannot step through source code)
- `stepi`: Moves to the next assembly level instruction: steps 'into' function calls
- `stepi n`: Execute next n instructions: includes instructions from inside function calls
- `nexti`: Moves to the next assembly level instruction: steps 'over' function calls
- `nexti n`: Execute next n instructions: steps over 'call' instructions

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    0x401397 <phase_1+23>   add     $0x8,%rsp
    0x40139b <phase_1+27>   retq
    0x40139c <phase_2>      push   %rbx
    0x40139d <phase_2+1>    sub     $0x20,%rsp
    0x4013a1 <phase_2+5>    mov     %rsp,%rsi

```

child process 22448 In: phase_1

```

(gdb) stepi
0x0000000000401384 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) stepi
0x0000000000401389 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) nexti
0x000000000040138e in phase_1 ()
(gdb) stepi
0x0000000000401390 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) 

```


Continuing execution after break

- If you are tired of single stepping line after line, type 'c' to continue running
- But wait! The bomb may explode! Clearly, we should avoid entering `explode_bomb()`
- **Insert a breakpoint at `explode_bomb()` and then type 'c'**
 - Breakpoint hit: Wrong Input,
 - Breakpoint miss: Correct Input
- **We avoid exploding bomb even with the wrong input**

Continuing execution after break

- So, we did hit the explode_bomb() break point!
- Our input '1' was wrong :(
- What is the right input ?

```

B+> 0x401a44 <explode_bomb>      sub    $0x8,%rsp
      0x401a48 <explode_bomb+4>   mov     $0x4a5c8a,%edi
      > 0x401a4d <explode_bomb+9>   callq   0x405050 <puts>
      0x401a52 <explode_bomb+14>  mov     $0x4a5c93,%edi
      0x401a57 <explode_bomb+19>  callq   0x405050 <puts>
      0x401a5c <explode_bomb+24>  mov     $0x0,%edi
      0x401a61 <explode_bomb+29>  callq   0x401928 <send_msg>
      0x401a66 <explode_bomb+34>  mov     $0x4a5b10,%edi
      0x401a6b <explode_bomb+39>  callq   0x405050 <puts>
      0x401a70 <explode_bomb+44>  mov     $0x8,%edi
      0x401a75 <explode_bomb+49>  callq   0x403860 <exit>

```

```
child process 22448 In: explode_bomb
```

```

(gdb) stepi
0x0000000000401389 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) nexti
0x000000000040138e in phase_1 ()
(gdb) stepi
0x0000000000401390 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) break explode_bomb
Breakpoint 2 at 0x401a44
(gdb) c
Continuing.

```

```

Breakpoint 2, 0x0000000000401a44 in explode_bomb ()
(gdb) █

```

Examining variables

- Critical function: `strings_not_equal()`
- Critical values: Arguments and return values of `strings_not_equal()`
- Examine the values of both these registers
- Remember that our input was "1"

```

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0x4013a1 <phase_2+5> mov %rsp,%rsi
0x4013a4 <phase_2+8> callq 0x401a7a <read_six_numbers>
0x4013a9 <phase_2+13> cmpl $0x1,(%rsp)
0x4013ad <phase_2+17> je 0x4013b4 <phase_2+24>
0x4013af <phase_2+19> callq 0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
0x4013b4 <phase_2+24> mov $0x1,%ebx
0x4013b9 <phase_2+29> jmp 0x4013d5 <phase_2+57>
0x4013bb <phase_2+31> movslq %ebx,%rdx
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0x4013c6 <phase_2+42> add %eax,%eax
0x4013c8 <phase_2+44> cmp %eax,(%rsp,%rdx,4)
0x4013cb <phase_2+47> je 0x4013d2 <phase_2+54>
0x4013cd <phase_2+49> callq 0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
0x4013d2 <phase_2+54> add $0x1,%ebx
0x4013d5 <phase_2+57> cmp $0x5,%ebx
0x4013d8 <phase_2+60> jle 0x4013bb <phase_2+31>
0x4013da <phase_2+62> add $0x20,%rsp
0x4013de <phase_2+66> pop %rbx
0x4013df <phase_2+67> retq
0x4013e0 <phase_3> sub $0x18,%rsp
0x4013e4 <phase_3+4> lea 0xc(%rsp),%rcx

```

child process 1941 In: phase 1

```

0x0000000000401384 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) stepi
0x0000000000401389 in phase_1 ()
(gdb) x/s $esi
0x4a5950: "The moon unit will be divided into two divisions."
(gdb) x/s $edi
0x6d9680 <input_strings>: "1"
(gdb) nexti
0x000000000040138e in phase_1 ()
(gdb) print $eax
$1 = 1
(gdb)

```

So, what should our input be ?

The moon unit will be divided into two divisions.

Time to test....

```

B+ 0x401380 <phase_1>      sub    $0x8,%rsp
    0x401384 <phase_1+4>    mov     $0x4a5950,%esi
    > 0x401389 <phase_1+9>    callq  0x401770 <strings_not_equal>
    0x40138e <phase_1+14>   test    %eax,%eax
    0x401390 <phase_1+16>   je      0x401397 <phase_1+23>
    0x401392 <phase_1+18>   callq  0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
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    0x4013a1 <phase_2+5>    mov     %rsp,%rsi
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    0x4013b9 <phase_2+29>   jmp     0x4013d5 <phase_2+57>
    0x4013bb <phase_2+31>   movslq %ebx,%rdx
    0x4013be <phase_2+34>   lea     -0x1(%rbx),%eax
    0x4013c1 <phase_2+37>   cltq
    0x4013c3 <phase_2+39>   mov     (%rsp,%rax,4),%eax
    0x4013c6 <phase_2+42>   add     %eax,%eax
    0x4013c8 <phase_2+44>   cmp     %eax,(%rsp,%rdx,4)

```

child process 7939 In: phase_1

(gdb) x/s \$esi

0x4a5950: "The moon unit will be divided into two divisions."

(gdb) x/s \$edi

0x6d9680 <input_strings>: "The moon unit will be divided into two divisions."

(gdb) nexti

0x000000000040138e in phase_1 ()

(gdb) print \$eax

\$1 = 0

(gdb) stepi

0x0000000000401390 in phase_1 ()

(gdb) stepi

0x0000000000401397 in phase_1 ()

(gdb) █

Yay, bomb defused !

Examining and Modifying Variables

- **print *expression/variable*:** Print value of variable/expression
- **watch *expression/variable*:** Break each time the expression/variable is written
- **set *variable expression*:** Eg: set variable x=20
- **Examining registers**
 - **print /d \$rax:** Print contents of %rax in decimal
 - **print /x \$rax:** Print contents of %rax in hex
 - **print /t \$rax:** Print contents of %rax in binary
 - **print *(int *) 0xbffff890:** Print integer at address 0xbffff890
 - **print *(int *) (\$rsp+8):** Print integer at address %rsp + 8
 - **print (char *) 0xbffff890:** Examine a string stored at 0xbffff890
 - **x/w 0xbffff890:** Examine (4-byte) word starting at address 0xbffff890
 - **x/2w \$rsp:** Examine 2 (4-byte) word starting at address in \$rsp
 - **x/s \$rsp:** Examine a string stored at the address stored in \$rsp

Examining code

- **disas:** Disassemble current function
- **disas sum:** Disassemble function sum
- **disas 0x80483b7:** Disassemble function around 0x80483b7
- **disas 0x80483b7 0x80483c7:** Disassemble code within specified address range
- **backtrace:** print the current stack

```
(gdb) disassemble phase_2
Dump of assembler code for function phase_2:
=> 0x000000000040139c <+0>:      push    %rbx
0x000000000040139d <+1>:      sub     $0x20,%rsp
0x00000000004013a1 <+5>:      mov     %rsp,%rsi
0x00000000004013a4 <+8>:      callq  0x401a7a <read_six_numbers>
0x00000000004013a9 <+13>:     cmpl    $0x1,(%rsp)
0x00000000004013ad <+17>:     je      0x4013b4 <phase_2+24>
0x00000000004013af <+19>:     callq  0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
0x00000000004013b4 <+24>:     mov     $0x1,%ebx
0x00000000004013b9 <+29>:     jmp     0x4013d5 <phase_2+57>
0x00000000004013bb <+31>:     movslq  %ebx,%rdx
0x00000000004013be <+34>:     lea     -0x1(%rbx),%eax
0x00000000004013c1 <+37>:     cltq
0x00000000004013c3 <+39>:     mov     (%rsp,%rax,4),%eax
0x00000000004013c6 <+42>:     add     %eax,%eax
0x00000000004013c8 <+44>:     cmp     %eax,(%rsp,%rdx,4)
0x00000000004013cb <+47>:     je      0x4013d2 <phase_2+54>
0x00000000004013cd <+49>:     callq  0x401a44 <explode_bomb>
0x00000000004013d2 <+54>:     add     $0x1,%ebx
0x00000000004013d5 <+57>:     cmp     $0x5,%ebx
0x00000000004013d8 <+60>:     jle     0x4013bb <phase_2+31>
0x00000000004013da <+62>:     add     $0x20,%rsp
0x00000000004013de <+66>:     pop     %rbx
0x00000000004013df <+67>:     retq
End of assembler dump.
(gdb) bt
#0  0x000000000040139c in phase_2 ()
#1  0x00000000004012fb in main (argc=<optimized out>, argv=<optimized out>) at bomb.c:82
(gdb) █
```

Inserting Watchpoints

- Watchpoints are special breakpoints
- They trigger when an expression changes
- Useful for watching specific registers, especially in loops. Avoids having to print out values each time

```
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 2, 0x00000000004013c3 in phase_2 ()
(gdb) watch $rax
Watchpoint 3: $rax
(gdb) watch $rdx
Watchpoint 4: $rdx
(gdb) info watchpoints
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Num	Type	Disp	Enb	Address	What
3	watchpoint	keep	y		\$rax
4	watchpoint	keep	y		\$rdx

```
(gdb) █
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```
(gdb) ni
Watchpoint 4: $rdx

Old value = 1
New value = 2
0x00000000004013be in phase_2 ()
(gdb) ni
Watchpoint 3: $rax

Old value = 2
New value = 1
0x00000000004013c1 in phase_2 ()
(gdb) █
```

More useful GDB constructs

- Examine contents in memory using expressions: `print *(int *) ($rsp + 4*$rdx)`
- Examine multiple words on stack: `x/6w $rsp`
- break at certain addresses (useful to examine only the interesting parts of the code): `break *0xabcd`

Resources

- <http://csapp.cs.cmu.edu/2e/docs/gdbnotes-x86-64.pdf>
- <https://beej.us/guide/bggdb/>
- http://www.delorie.com/gnu/docs/gdb/gdb_toc.html