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CVE

- •Reported several vulnerabilities in the **GNU binutils** installed **dc** command an arbitrary precision calculator default installed and affecting most of the linux distribution including the latest release of ubuntu, linux mint and others
- •Reported $\underline{\text{heap-buffer-overflow}}$ vulnerability in $\underline{\text{libheif}}$ affecting popular image processing softwares like gimp and $\overline{\text{ImageMagick}}$
- •Reported Out Of Memory in <u>VideoLan x265</u> causing system memory exhaution leading to system Denial-of-Service due to Out-Of-Memory
- \bullet Reported vulnerabilities <u>CVE-2024-50612</u> and <u>CVE-2024-50613</u> in <u>libsndfile</u>
- \bullet Reported vulnerabilities $\underline{\text{CVE-2024-50614}}$ and $\underline{\text{CVE-2024-50615}}$ in $\underline{\text{tinyxml2}}$

Professional Experience

•Payatu Jul - Present

 $IoT/Firmware\ Security\ Research\ Intern$

Remote

- Conducting in-depth analysis and security audit on several commercial IoT devices including routers, modems, medical devices, etc
- Conducting personal research on several IoT devices

•Exodus Intelligence Aug - Nov 2023

NDay Vulnerability Research Intern

Remote

- Conducted in-depth analysis on several **N-Day bugs** in commercial software, including vulnerability analysis and exploitation of the Linux Kernel, Roundcube Webmail, and GNOME.
- Completed analysis and authored metadata report on a total of **76 CISA Known Exploited Vulnerabilities** (KEV) bugs
- Writing root cause vulnerability report on the bugs with static code analysis, detailed information on attack vectors and network traffic analysis, exploitation and detection methods
- Hands-on experience with various tools and vulnerabilities exploited in the wild

•Project Sekai - International CTF team

 $Apr\ 2022\ -\ Present$

 $Binary\ Exploitation\ Player$

Remote

- Current overall world rank 6 in CTF competitions 2023 by winning 15 CTF competitions during the year 2023
- Created binary exploitation challenge in <u>SekaiCTF 2022</u> with a worldwide participation of over 850 teams

•zh3r0 - National CTF team

2020 - 2022

Founder / Binary Exploitation Player

Remote

- Current overall national rank ${f 2}$ in CTF competitions 2022 by winning several domestic competitions onsite
- Organised an international CTF, zh3r0 CTF in the year 2020 and 2021, with a worldwide participation of over 509 teams

•Hackdev Technology Pvt. Ltd.

Feb - Mar~2022

 $Instructional\ Designed\ Intern$

Remote

- Created and implemented CTF labs for system security as an instructional designer, enabling students to grasp the consequences of vulnerabilities in insecure code

PERSONAL PROJECTS

•OllamaRE | Pwn2Own Helper

2025

An automatic reverse engineering helper tool used for pwn2own Ireland 2024.

- An **AI reverse engineering helper tool** developed for tackling a **statically linked stripped C++** binary during my Pwn2Own Ireland attempt.
- The tool is feeded with IDA exported C file and parses unresolved functions (sub_*) using Llama3.1, resolving function names based on code analysis.
- The final script **generates an IDC script** file for importing into IDA to resolve all function names.
- Technologies: Python, Ollama, Llama3.1 model, dbm, pickle, tqdm

•Rootkit

Python framework to solve binary exploitation challenges in CTF's

- A **custom Python framework** designed for personal use, assisting in solving Capture the Flag (CTF) challenges and for interaction with processes running on sockets or command-line binaries
- It implements binary analysis techniques using angr and also builds static rop chains to achieve remote code execution on statically compiled binaries
- This framework allows you to utilize GDB functionality seamlessly alongside the exploit script
- This framework is compiled with various exploits such as File Stream Oriented Programming exploit, Ret2DLResolve, arbitrary file read, shellcodes, and more for easy reuse in future exploit development
- Technology Used: angr, pwntools, nasm, Python

•PwnableTW Writeups 2020 - 2021

Pwnable.tw is a wargame site for hackers to test and expand their binary exploiting skills

- It contains my exploits for challenges in pwnable.tw
- Currently ranking #163 out of 33103 globally, and top 2nd position in India My Profile
- Technology Used: C, Python

•Lan System Controller

2019

A project to moderate and automate IT support tasks in a network

- The Lan System Controller is a **one-click automation project** designed with the aim to minimize energy wastage in the corporate environments where the systems are left idle overnight
- Extended the operations of the project from being used for just energy conservation to being used as a centralized server to automate IT support operations in a network
- Implemented automated IT support operations tooling which doesn't require any user interaction like File sharing feature, Software distribution, Silent installation or uninstallation of softwares, Blocking unwanted website, Remote troubleshooting systems, shutdown systems and undoing the previously executed operation
- Technology Used: Bash Scripting, Powershell Scripting
- Live Demo: link

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

• Finalist in DEFCON CTF 32, Las Vegas with the Friendly Maltese Citizens team.	2024
• Secured Second place in SAS CTF by Kaspersky, Bali	2024
• Secured Third place in C2C CTF by INCS-CoE - Keio University, Japan	2023
•Won the best writeup prize in LA CTF and <u>Imaginary CTF</u>	2022

NATIONAL AWARDS

• Secured First place in DSCI EY CTF by Data Security Council of India & EY, Delhi	2023
• Secured Second place in Nullcon CTF by Team Nullcon, Goa	2023
• Secured Second place in Embedded Security CTF by IIT Madras, Chennai	2022

TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE

 $\textbf{Languages} - \text{C/C++}, \, \text{Python}, \, \text{Bash} \,\,, \, \text{Powershell}, \, \text{x86_64} \,\, \text{Assembly}$

Development Tools — Git, Docker, Tilix, Github, Sublime Text, Visual Studio Code

 $\textbf{Tools and Platforms} \longrightarrow \text{Qemu, GDB/pwndbg, AFL} + + \text{Fuzzing, IDA Pro, Ghidra. Burp Suite, Wireshark, Snort, pwntools, angr, z3, qiling}$

Exploitation experience and Interest — Fuzzing (Intermediate), Linux Kernel (Intermediate), IoT (Intermediate), Windows (Beginner) and Browser (Beginner)

EDUCATION

•Bachelor of Engineering in Information Science and Engineering

2021 - Present (Expected May 2025)

Bangalore Institute of Technology