Crackmes.de - san01suke's SomeCrypto~02

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The author san01suke submitted three crackmes to $\underline{www.crackmes.de}^{[1]}$ on July 1st. This is my attempt to solve the second one, called **SomeCrypto~02**. You can view and download the crackme $\underline{here}^{[2]}$. The short description simply says:

"Just write a valid keygen for this crackme."

- san01suke

Reverse Engineering the Crackme

Getting the Disassembly

The user interface looks exactly like the one from <u>SomeCrypto~01</u> [3]:



Let's open the code in OllyDbg. At the entry point we get the following picture:

```
DB 20

DB 4A

DB 48

DB 48

DB 32

DB 60

DB 20

DB 4A

DB 4A

DB 45

DB 45

DB 46

DB 20

DB 40

DB
  004014B7
004014B8
004014B9
004014BA
                                                                                                                                CHAR
CHAR
CHAR
      004014BB
004014BC
004014BD
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    CHAR '2'
CHAR ''
CHAR 'J'
CHAR 'J'
CHAR 'J'
CHAR 'E'
CHAR 'J'
CHAR 'J'
CHAR 'J'
    004014BD
004014BE
004014C1
004014C1
004014C1
004014C2
004014C3
004014C4
    004014C6
004014C7
004014C8
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      0040140
  004014C9
004014CA
004014CB
004014CE
004014CF
004014D0
004014D1
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  60
20
13
E0
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      CHAR ::
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              DB E3
MOV AL.20
MOV ECX.4D3
MOV EBX.SomeCryp.00401000
MOV DL.BYTE PTR DS:[EBX]
00401403 $
                                                                                                                  ;
      004014DF
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  XOR
MOV
INC
    004014E2
004014E4
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            DL,AL
BYTE PTR DS:[EBX],DL
                                                                                                                                  3E:8813
43
^E2 F5
B8 B0144000
FFD0
0000
0000
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              NOV BYTE PTR DS:LEBX,DL
INC EBX
LOOPD SHORT SomeCryp.004014DF
MOV EAX,SomeCryp.004014B0
CALL EAX
ADD BYTE PTR DS:LEAX],AL
ADD BYTE PTR DS:LEAX],AL
ADD BYTE PTR DS:LEAX],AL
    004014E7
004014E8
004014EA
    004014EF
004014F1
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            [5]
```

One can spot two interesting things:

- The code above 4014D3 could not be disassembled and looks obfuscated
- The code that follows the entry point clearly modifies the code. Starting at location 401000, the snippet XORs exactly 4D3h bytes with 20h.

Let's run the code up to 4014DA to get the changed code section. The bytes clearly changed

```
## CODE | ## COD
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 DA to get the

DB 00

DB 6A

DB 00

DB 12

DB 42

DB 42

DB 00

DB 6A

DB 00

DB 6A

DB 7

004014B7
004014B8
004014B9
004014BB
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              CHAR 'j'
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   004014BB
      004014BD
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              CHAR '@'
004014BD
004014BE
004014C1
004014C1
004014C2
004014C3
004014C5
004014C5
004014C6
004014C6
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CHAR 'e'
CHAR 'j'
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              CHAR 'l'
CHAR '2'
CHAR '@'
004014C8
004014C9
004014CA
004014CB
004014CE
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           40
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              CHAR '@'
004014CF
004014D0
004014D1
004014D2
004014D5
004014DA
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              CHAR 131
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 DB C3
MOU AL,20
MOU ECX,403
MOU EEX,50meCryp.00401000
MOU DL,BYTE PTR DS:[EBX]
XOR DL,AL
MOU BYTE PTR DS:[EBX],DL
INCEBX
INCEBX
      004014DF
004014E2
004014E4
   004014E4
004014E7
004014E8
004014EA
004014EF
004014EF
                                                                                                                                                                                . 35:8813
. 43
.^E2 F5
. B8 B0144000
. FFD0
. AAAA
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 INC EBX
LOOPD SHORT SomeCryp.004014DF
MOV ERX,SomeCryp.004014B0
CALL EAX
ANN RVTF PTR NS:[FAX1.A
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        SomeCryp.004014B0 [6]
```

but OllyDbg doesn't automatically reanalyze the section and still displays the section as data bytes. Hit CTRL+A to analyze the code again and now you should see meaningful disassembly:

```
8BE5
5D
C2 1000
CC
CC
CC
                                          MOV ESP,EBP
POP EBP
RETN 10
204014A9
204014AA
304014AD
304014AE
304014AF
304014B0
              304014B2
304014B8
20401488
2040148A
2040148F
204014C1
204014C3
204014C5
                                                                                                               DigProc = SomeCryp.004012A0
hOwner = NULL
pTemplate = 65
304014CA
304014D0
304014D2
304014D3
304014D5
304014DA
304014DE
30401407
304014E2
304014E4
304014E7
304014E8
                  43
^E2 F5
_B8_B0144000
                                          MOU EAX, SomeCryp.004014DF
MOV EAX, SomeCryp.004014B0
CALL EAX
                                                                                                             SomeCryp.004014B0 [7]
```

I then created a patched version of *SomeCrypto~02* with the bytes from 401000 to 4014D2 XORed with 20h. This allowed me to get the correct disassembly in IDA Pro.

sub 4011E0 - Part 1

I then opened the patched executable in IDA Pro and went to the strings subview to follow the "Success" string (like in SomeCrypto~01 ^[3]). The good boy message is produced here:

```
.text:00401475
                        call sub_4011E0
2
  .text:0040147A
                         add
                              esp, 8
3 .text:0040147D
                        mov byte_403270, al
4 .text:00401482
                        test al, al
5 .text:00401484
                        jz short loc_4014A2
6 .text:00401486
                        mov edx, [esp+0Ch]
  .text:0040148A
                        push 0
                         push offset aSuccess; "Success"
8
 .text:0040148C
                        push edx
9 .text:00401491
10 .text:00401492
                        push esi
11 .text:00401493
                        call ds:MessageBoxA
12 .text:00401499
                        push 0
```

We will see the "Success"-message when sub_4011E0 returns a non zero value in eax. Let's walk through subroutine sub_4011E0

```
.text:004011E0 ; ======== S U B R O U T I N E
1
                _____
  .text:004011E0
3
  .text:004011E0; Attributes: bp-based frame
  .text:004011E0
5
  .text:004011E0 sub 4011E0
                              proc near
                                              ; CODE XREF: .text:00401475p
6
  .text:004011E0
  .text:004011E0 var_1C
                           = byte ptr -1Ch
8
                           = dword ptr 8
  .text:004011E0 arg 0
9
10 .text:004011E0 arg_4
                           = dword ptr 0Ch
11 text:004011E0
   .text:004011E0
                        push ebp
12
   .text:004011E1
                        mov ebp, esp
13
  .text:004011E3
                        xor
                              eax, eax
14
   .text:004011E5
                        sub
                             esp, 1Ch
15
  .text:004011E8
                        cmp [edi], al
  .text:004011EA
                        jΖ
                             loc 401296
   .text:004011F0
```

In OllyDbg we see that edi contains the serial:

```
Registers (FPU)
 EAX 0018FB64
ECX 0018FB08 ASCII "Enter your name..."
EDX 00000030
EBX 000000001
ESP 0018FB4C
EBP 0018FC58
 EDI 0018FC18 ASCII "1234567"
EIP 004011E0 SomeCryp.004011E0
                                            [8]
The snippet translate to the following pseudo code:
1 serial = edi
2 IF strlen(serial) == 0 THEN
3 RETURN 0 // loc 401296
4 END
This is the code at loc 401296 that returns 0:
86 .text:00401296 loc 401296:
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+Aj
87 .text:00401296
                                          ; sub_4011E0+1Aj ...
88 .text:00401296
                            xor
                                  al, al
89 .text:00401298
                            mov
                                  esp, ebp
90 .text:0040129A
                            pop
                                  ebp
91 .text:0040129B
                            retn
92 .text:0040129B sub 4011E0
                                  endp
If the serial is not empty the next section is executed:
18 .text:004011F0 loc 4011F0:
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+15j
19 .text:004011F0
                           inc
                                eax
20 .text:004011F1
                            cmp byte ptr [eax+edi], 0
21 .text:004011F5
                           jnz short loc_4011F0
22 .text:004011F7
                           cmp eax, 7
                           jnz loc_401296
23 .text:004011FA
The lines calculate the length of the serial and return 0 if the length is not 7:
1 serial length = strlen(serial)
2 IF serial length != 7 THEN
   RETURN 0 // loc_401296
4 END
Next follows a call to another subroutine:
24 .text:00401200 mov
                                  edx, [ebp+arg 0]
25 .text:00401203
                           lea eax, [ebp+var_1C]
26 .text:00401206
                           call sub_401000
eax is a local variable. The memory location ebp+arg_0 = ebp+8 points to the content of the name input box, as
can be seen in OllyDbg:
        So the call boils down to:
1 unknown_type var_1C;
2 sub 401000(&var 1C, name)
sub 401000
The subroutine sub 401000 looks as follows:
  .text:00401000 ; ======= S U B R O U T I N E
1
3
   .text:00401000
   .text:00401000
```

```
.text:00401000 sub 401000
                                                   ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+26p
                                 proc near
   .text:00401000
                                          ; DATA XREF: .text:004014DAo
6
   .text:00401000
                                  dword ptr [eax], 0
                           mov
   .text:00401006
                                  dword ptr [eax+4], 1
                           mov
8
   .text:0040100D
                                   dword ptr [eax+8], 2
                            mov
9
   .text:00401014
                                  dword ptr [eax+0Ch], 3
                           mov
10
   .text:0040101B
                           mov
                                   dword ptr [eax+10h], 4
11
   .text:00401022
                           mov
                                  dword ptr [eax+14h], 5
   .text:00401029
                           mov
                                  dword ptr [eax+18h], 6
13
   .text:00401030
                           mov
                                  cl, [edx]
14
   .text:00401032
                           test cl, cl
15
   .text:00401034
                                short locret 40108C
                           jΖ
   .text:00401036
                           push esi
17
   .text:00401037
                           jmp
                                  short loc_401040
18
   .text:00401037;
20 text:00401039
                           align 10h
   .text:00401040
   .text:00401040 loc 401040:
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub_401000+37j
   .text:00401040
                                          ; sub 401000+89j
23
   .text:00401040
                           movsx ecx, cl
   .text:00401043
                           and ecx, 80000001h
   .text:00401049
                           jns
                                 short loc 401050
26
   .text:0040104B
                           dec
                                  ecx
27
   .text:0040104C
                                 ecx, 0FFFFFFEh
                            or
   .text:0040104F
                           inc
                                 ecx
   .text:00401050
30
   .text:00401050 loc 401050:
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub 401000+49j
   .text:00401050
                                short loc 40105C
                           įΖ
32
   .text:00401052
                           mov
                                  esi, [eax+4]
33
   .text:00401055
                           mov
                                  ecx, [eax]
35 .text:00401057
                           mov
                                  [eax], esi
   .text:00401059
                           mov
                                  [eax+4], ecx
   .text:0040105C
   .text:0040105C loc 40105C:
                                                ; CODE XREF: sub 401000:loc 401050j
   .text:0040105C
                            mov
                                   ecx, [eax]
   .text:0040105E
                            mov
                                   esi, [eax+4]
40
   .text:00401061
                           mov
                                  [eax], esi
41
   .text:00401063
                           mov
                                  esi, [eax+8]
42
                                  [eax+4], esi
   .text:00401066
                           mov
44 .text:00401069
43
                           mov
                                  esi, [eax+0Ch]
                                  [eax+8], esi
   .text:0040106C
                            mov
45
   .text:0040106F
                           mov
                                  esi, [eax+10h]
46
   .text:00401072
                           mov
                                  [eax+0Ch], esi
48 .text:00401075
47
                           mov
                                  esi, [eax+14h]
                                  [eax+10h], esi
   .text:00401078
                           mov
50 text:0040107B
49
                            mov
                                   esi, [eax+18h]
   .text:0040107E
                            mov
                                  [eax+14h], esi
51
   .text:00401081
                           inc
                                 edx
                                  [eax+18h], ecx
   .text:00401082
                           mov
53
   .text:00401085
                           mov
                                  cl, [edx]
54
   .text:00401087
                           test
                                 cl, cl
55
   .text:00401089
                           jnz
                                 short loc 401040
56
   .text:0040108B
                            pop
                                  esi
57
   .text:0040108C
   .text:0040108C locret_40108C:
                                                ; CODE XREF: sub_401000+34j
59
   .text:0040108C
                            retn
   .text:0040108C sub_401000
                                  endp
The code translates to the following pseudo code:
1 FUNCTION sub_401000(mapping<var_1C>, name)
    mapping = \{0,1,2,3,4,5,6\} // in eax = &var 1C
3
    FOR character IN name DO
4
       IF character % 2 != 0 DO
5
         swap(mapping[0], mapping[1])
6
       ENDIF
7
       circular left shift(mapping)
```

```
8 ENDFOR
9 END
```

```
swap(mapping[0], mapping[1]) means \{0,1,2,3,4,5,6\} would become \{1,0,2,3,4,5,6\}. circular_left_shift(mapping) means, \{0,1,2,3,4,5,6\} becomes \{1,2,3,4,5,6,0\}.
```

sub 4011E0 - Part 2

Let's go back to the caller where we continue with line 27:

```
27 .text:0040120B
                          xor
                                eax, eax
28 .text:0040120D
                          lea
                                ecx, [ecx+0]
29 .text:00401210
30 .text:00401210 loc_401210:
                                             ; CODE XREF: sub_4011E0+3Fj
31 .text:00401210
                         mov cl, byte 403010[eax]
                                byte_403140[eax], cl
32 .text:00401216
                          mov
33 .text:0040121C
                          inc eax
34 .text:0040121D
                          test cl, cl
35 .text:0040121F
                          jnz short loc_401210
36 .text:00401221
                         push esi
37 .text:00401222
                         xor
                               esi, esi
38 .text:00401224
                          cmp
                                byte 403140, 0
39 .text:0040122B
                               short loc_40123A
                          jΖ
```

These line simply copy the hard coded null-terminated string at byte_403010 to byte_403140 and check if the destination address is not null:

```
1 STRCPY(byte_403140, byte_403010) // copy string byte_403010 to byte_403140
2 IF byte_403140 == NULL THEN
3 GOTO loc_40123A \\ should never happen
4 ENDIF
```

Next up is another small loop:

```
40 .text:0040122D lea ecx, [ecx+0]
41 .text:00401230
42 .text:00401230 loc_401230: ; CODE XREF: sub_4011E0+58j
43 .text:00401230 inc esi
44 .text:00401231 cmp byte_403140[esi], 0
45 .text:00401238 jnz short loc_401230
46 .text:0040123A
```

The code searches the null-byte in string byte_403140. When the null byte is found, then the index in esi corresponds to the length of the string at byte 403140:

```
1 esi = strlen(byte_403140)
```

Another subroutine call follows:

The only parameter is var_1C, which we know contains the scrambled sequence of numbers 0 to 7 that sub 401000 generated: sub 401110(mapping)

sub_401110

The subroutine is a little hard to read, because it uses a few local variables to shuffle characters. Here's the disassembly:

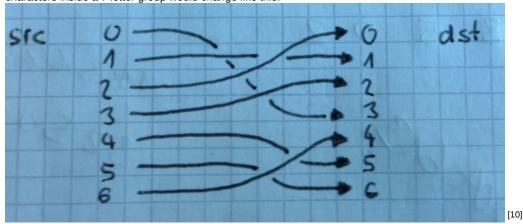
```
.text:00401110 sub 401110
                                 proc near
                                                   ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+5Ep
   .text:00401110
                                         ; sub 4011E0+71p
3
   .text:00401110
4
   .text:00401110 var 1C
                              = dword ptr -1Ch
5
   .text:00401110 var 18
                              = word ptr -18h
6
  .text:00401110 var 16
                              = byte ptr -16h
  .text:00401110 var 14
                              = dword ptr -14h
8
                              = dword ptr -10h
  .text:00401110 var 10
9
  .text:00401110 var_C
                              = dword ptr -0Ch
10 .text:00401110 var_8
                             = dword ptr -8
11 .text:00401110 var 4
                             = dword ptr -4
12 .text:00401110 arg 0
                              = dword ptr 8
13 .text:00401110
14 .text:00401110
                           push
                                  ebp
15 .text:00401111
                           mov
                                  ebp, esp
16 .text:00401113
                           mov
                                  ecx, 7
                                  esp, 1Ch
17 .text:00401118
                           sub
18 .text:0040111B
                                  [ebp+arg_0], ecx
                           cmp
19 .text:0040111E
                           ile
                                loc 4011CB
20 .text:00401124
                           mov
                                  edx, [eax+8]
21 .text:00401127
                           lea
                                 edx, [ebp+edx+var 1C]
22 .text:0040112B
                           mov
                                  [ebp+var 4], edx
23 .text:0040112E
                                  edx, [eax+0Ch]
                           mov
24 .text:00401131
                                 edx, [ebp+edx+var 1C]
                           lea
25 .text:00401135
                                  [ebp+var 8], edx
                           mov
26 .text:00401138
                           mov
                                  edx, [eax+10h]
27 .text:0040113B
                           lea
                                 edx, [ebp+edx+var 1C]
28 .text:0040113F
                                 ebx
                           push
29 .text:00401140
                           push
                                  esi
30 .text:00401141
                           mov
                                  esi, [eax]
31 .text:00401143
                           mov
                                  [ebp+var C], edx
                                  edx, [eax+14h]
32 .text:00401146
                           mov
33 .text:00401149
                           push
                                  edi
34 .text:0040114A
                                  edi, [eax+4]
                           mov
35 .text:0040114D
                                  eax, [eax+18h]
                           mov
36 .text:00401150
                           lea
                                 edx, [ebp+edx+var 1C]
37 .text:00401154
                                  [ebp+var 10], edx
                           mov
38 .text:00401157
                           lea
                                 edx, [ebp+eax+var_1C]
39 .text:0040115B
                           mov
                                  eax, offset unk 403142
40 .text:00401160
                           lea
                                 esi, [ebp+esi+var 1C]
                                 edi, [ebp+edi+var 1C]
41 .text:00401164
                           lea
42 .text:00401168
                           mov
                                 [ebp+var 14], edx
43 .text:0040116B
                           sub
                                  ecx, eax
44 .text:0040116D
                           lea
                                 ecx, [ecx+0]
45 .text:00401170
46 .text:00401170 loc_401170:
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub_401110+B6j
47 .text:00401170
                           movzx edx, byte ptr [eax-2]
48 .text:00401174
                           mov
                                  ebx, [ebp+var_4]
49 .text:00401177
                           mov
                                  [esi], dl
50 .text:00401179
                           movzx edx, byte ptr [eax-1]
51 .text:0040117D
                           mov
                                  [edi], dl
52 .text:0040117F
                           movzx edx, byte ptr [eax]
53 .text:00401182
                           mov
                                  [ebx], dl
54 .text:00401184
                           movzx edx, byte ptr [eax+1]
55 .text:00401188
                           mov
                                  ebx, [ebp+var_8]
56 .text:0040118B
                           mov
                                  [ebx], dl
57 .text:0040118D
                           movzx edx, byte ptr [eax+2]
58 .text:00401191
                           mov
                                  ebx, [ebp+var C]
59 .text:00401194
                                  [ebx], dl
                           mov
60 .text:00401196
                           movzx edx, byte ptr [eax+3]
61 .text:0040119A
                           mov
                                  ebx, [ebp+var 10]
62 .text:0040119D
                                  [ebx], dl
                           mov
                           movzx edx, byte ptr [eax+4]
63 .text:0040119F
64 .text:004011A3
                           mov
                                  ebx, [ebp+var_14]
65 .text:004011A6
                           mov
                                  [ebx], dl
66 .text:004011A8
                           mov
                                  edx, [ebp+var 1C]
67 .text:004011AB
                           mov
                                   [eax-2], edx
68 .text:004011AE
                           mov
                                  dx, [ebp+var_18]
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```
69 .text:004011B2
                                 [eax+2], dx
                          mov
70 .text:004011B6
                          movzx edx, [ebp+var_16]
71 .text:004011BA
                          mov
                                 [eax+4], dl
72 .text:004011BD
                           add
                                 eax, 7
73 .text:004011C0
                                edx, [ecx+eax]
                          lea
74 .text:004011C3
                                 edx, [ebp+arg_0]
                          cmp
75 .text:004011C6
                               short loc 401170
76 .text:004011C8
                                 edi
                          pop
77 .text:004011C9
                          pop
                                 esi
78 .text:004011CA
                                 ebx
                           pop
79 .text:004011CB
80 .text:004011CB loc_4011CB:
                                              ; CODE XREF: sub_401110+Ej
81 .text:004011CB
                           mov
                                 esp, ebp
82 .text:004011CD
                           pop
                                 ebp
83 .text:004011CE
                           retn
                                4
84 .text:004011CE sub 401110
                                endp
```

All the code does is shuffle the characters in the string byte_403140 based on the mapping that sub_401000 generated:

```
FUNCTION sub_401110(mapping)
2
3
    i = 0
     message = byte 403140
4
     WHILE i+7 < strlen(mapping) DO
       tmp[7]
5
6
       FOR j=0 TO 6 DO:
7
         tmp[j] = message[i + mapping[j]]
8
       ENDFÖR
9
       FOR j=0 TO 6 DO:
10
         message[j] = tmp[j]
11
       ENDFOR
    END
12
13 END
```

The subroutine applies a permutation to the message in byte_403140. It permutates blocks of 7 characters based on the mapping that the subroutine sub_401000 generated. Let's say the mapping is {3, 1, 0, 2, 5, 6, 4}, then the characters inside a 7 letter group would change like this:



sub_4011E0 - Part 3

Back at caller we see yet another subroutine:

```
51 .text:00401243 mov ecx, edi
52 .text:00401245 lea eax, [ebp+var_1C]
53 .text:00401248 call sub_401090
```

The subroutine operates on $[ebp+var_1C]$ which we know contains the mapping, and on ecx = edi which holds

```
the text from the serial input box:
1 sub 401090(mapping, serial)
sub 401090
This is sub_401090:
  .text:00401090; ======== S U B R O U T I N E
                  -----
3 .text:00401090
  .text:00401090
5
  .text:00401090 sub_401090 proc near
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+68p
6
  .text:00401090
                         movsx edx, byte ptr [ecx]
                         add edx, 0FFFFFD0h
push esi
   .text:00401093
8
  .text:00401096
9 .text:00401097
                         xor esi, esi
10 .text:00401099
                         mov [eax], edx
11 .text:0040109B
                         cmp edx, 7
12 .text:0040109E
                          jb short loc_4010A2
13 .text:004010A0
                         mov [eax], esi
14 .text:004010A2
15 .text:004010A2 loc_4010A2:
                                            ; CODE XREF: sub 401090+Ej
16 .text:004010A2
                          movsx edx, byte ptr [ecx+1]
                          add edx, 0FFFFFD0h
17 .text:004010A6
18 .text:004010A9
                          mov
                               [eax+4], edx
19 .text:004010AC
                          cmp
                                edx, 7
                          jb short loc 4010B4
20 .text:004010AF
21 .text:004010B1
                          mov [eax+4], esi
22 .text:004010B4
                                            ; CODE XREF: sub_401090+1Fj
23 .text:004010B4 loc 4010B4:
                          movsx edx, byte ptr [ecx+2]
24 .text:004010B4
25 .text:004010B8
                          add edx, 0FFFFFD0h
26 .text:004010BB
                          mov [eax+8], edx
27 .text:004010BE
                          cmp edx, 7
                          jb short loc 4010C6
28 .text:004010C1
29 .text:004010C3
                          mov [eax+8], esi
30 .text:004010C6
31 .text:004010C6 loc 4010C6:
                                            ; CODE XREF: sub 401090+31j
                          movsx edx, byte ptr [ecx+3]
32 .text:004010C6
                          add edx, 0FFFFFD0h
33 .text:004010CA
34 .text:004010CD
                          mov [eax+0Ch], edx
35 .text:004010D0
                          cmp
                                edx, 7
36 .text:004010D3
                          ib short loc 4010D8
37 .text:004010D5
                          mov [eax+0Ch], esi
38 .text:004010D8
39 .text:004010D8 loc 4010D8:
                                            ; CODE XREF: sub 401090+43j
                          movsx edx, byte ptr [ecx+4]
40 .text:004010D8
                          add edx, 0FFFFFD0h
41 .text:004010DC
42 .text:004010DF
                                [eax+10h], edx
                          mov
43 .text:004010E2
                          cmp
                                edx, 7
                          jb short loc 4010EA
44 .text:004010E5
45 .text:004010E7
                          mov [eax+10h], esi
46 .text:004010EA
47 .text:004010EA loc_4010EA:
                                            ; CODE XREF: sub_401090+55j
                          movsx edx, byte ptr [ecx+5]
48 .text:004010EA
49 .text:004010EE
                          add edx, 0FFFFFD0h
                                [eax+14h], edx
50 .text:004010F1
                         mov
51 .text:004010F4
                         cmp
                                edx, 7
52 .text:004010F7
                             short loc 4010FC
                         jb
53 .text:004010F9
                         mov [eax+14h], esi
54 .text:004010FC
55 .text:004010FC loc 4010FC:
                                            ; CODE XREF: sub_401090+67j
                         movsx ecx, byte ptr [ecx+6]
56 .text:004010FC
57 .text:00401100
                         add ecx, 0FFFFFD0h
58 .text:00401103
                         mov
                               [eax+18h], ecx
59 .text:00401106
                         cmp
                                ecx, 7
```

```
60 .text:00401109
                           jb
                                short loc 40110E
61 .text:0040110B
                           mov
                                   [eax+18h], esi
   .text:0040110E
oz .text:0040110E loc_40110E:
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub 401090+79i
64 text:0040110E
                                  esi
   .text:0040110F
                            retn
65
   .text:0040110F sub 401090
                                 endp
The code is quite long because the assembler did loop unwinding. The underlying algorithm is very simple though:
   FUNCTION sub 401090(mapping, serial)
2
     FOR i = 0 TO 6 DO
3
        nr = serial[i] - '0'
4
        IF nr >= 7 THEN
5
          mapping[i] = 0
6
        ELSE
7
          mapping[i] = nr
8
        ENDIF
9
     ENDFOR
10 END
So the serial number (7 letters) is converted to 7 integers that are stored in mapping (as long as numbers are
smaller than 7):
   FUNCTION sub 401090(mapping, serial)
2
     FOR i = 0 TO 6 DO
3
        nr = serial[i] - '0'
4
        IF nr >= 7 THEN
5
          mapping[i] = 0
6
        ELSE
7
          mapping[i] = nr
8
        ENDIF
9
     ENDFOR
10 END
sub 4011E0 - Part 4
After sub 401090 loaded the serial into the mapping we find a second call to the permutation routine sub 401110
54 .text:0040124D
                            push esi
55 .text:0040124E
                                 eax, [ebp+var_1C]
                            lea
56 .text:00401251
                                 sub_401110
                           call
The routine finishes up with some code that calculates a hash of byte_403140. If the hash matches 0B45D7873h
we get the success message:
57 .text:00401256
                                 eax, 0FFFFFFFh
58 .text:00401259
                           mov ecx, esi
59 .text:0040125B
                           mov edx, offset byte_403140
60 .text:00401260
                           test esi, esi
61 .text:00401262
                           įΖ
                               short loc 40127D
62 .text:00401264
63 .text:00401264 loc 401264:
                                               ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+9Bj
                           movzx esi, byte ptr [edx]
64 .text:00401264
65 .text:00401267
                           xor
                                esi, eax
66 .text:00401269
                           and
                                 esi, 0FFh
67 .text:0040126F
                           shr
                                 eax, 8
                                 eax, ds:dword_402058[esi*4]
68 .text:00401272
                           xor
69 .text:00401279
                           inc
                                 edx
70 .text:0040127A
                            dec
                                 ecx
                                 short loc_401264
71 .text:0040127B
                           jnz
72 .text:0040127D
73 .text:0040127D loc 40127D:
                                                ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+82j
```

74 .text:0040127D

not

eax

```
75 .text:0040127F
                          pop
                                eax, 0B45D7873h
76 .text:00401280
                          cmp
77 .text:00401285
                          jnz short loc_401296
78 .text:00401287
                          mov
                                 eax, [ebp+arg 4]
                                 dword ptr [eax], offset byte_403140
79 .text:0040128A
                          mov
80 .text:00401290
                          mov
                                 al, 1
81 .text:00401292
                          mov
                                 esp, ebp
82 .text:00401294
                          pop
                                 ebp
83 .text:00401295
                          retn
84 .text:00401296; ------
85 .text:00401296
86 .text:00401296 loc_401296:
                                             ; CODE XREF: sub 4011E0+Aj
                                        ; sub_4011E0+1Aj ...
87 .text:00401296
88 .text:00401296
                          xor
                                al, al
89 .text:00401298
                          mov
                                esp, ebp
90 .text:0040129A
                           pop
                                 ebp
91 .text:0040129B
                           retn
92 .text:0040129B sub_4011E0
                                endp
In pseudo code:
1 some_hash = some_hash_routine(message)
2 IF some hash = '0B45D7873h' THEN
   RETURN 1 // success
4 ELSE
5
   RETURN 0 // failure
6 ENDIF
```

Pseudo-Code

To summarize, here's the cleaned up pseudo code:

```
FUNCTION name mapping(name)
2
     mapping = \{0,1,2,3,4,5,6\} // in eax = &var_1C
     FOR character IN name DO
4
       IF character % 2 != 0 DO
5
         swap(mapping[0], mapping[1])
6
       ENDIF
7
       circular_left_shift(mapping)
8
     ENDFOR
9
     RETURN mapping
10 END
11
12 FUNCTION serial mapping(serial)
13
    message[7]
14
     FOR i = 0 TO 6 DO
15
       nr = serial[i] - '0'
16
       IF nr >= 7 THEN
17
         mapping[i] = 0
18
       ELSE
19
         mapping[i] = nr
20
       ENDIF
21
     ENDFOR
22
    RETURN message
23 END
25 FUNCTION permutation(message, mapping)
26
27
     message = byte 403140
28
     WHILE i+7 < strlen(mapping) DO
29
       tmp[7]
30
       FOR i=0 TO 6 DO:
31
         tmp[j] = message[i + mapping[j]]
32
       ENDFOR
33
       FOR j=0 TO 6 DO:
34
         message[j] = tmp[j]
```

```
ENDFOR
36
    END
37
    RETURN message
38 END
39
40 FUNCTION CHECK SERIAL(serial, name)
    IF strlen(serial) != 7 THEN
42
      RETURN 0
43
    END
44
    mapping = name mapping(name)
45
46
    STRCPY(message, byte 403010) // hard coded message
47
    IF message == NULL THEN
48
       GOTO loc 40123A \\ should never happen
49
    ENDIF
50
    message = permutation(message, mapping)
    mapping = serial_mapping(serial)
51
52
    message = permutation(message, mapping)
53
    some hash = some hash routine(message)
54
    IF some_hash = '0B45D7873h' THEN
55
       RETURN 1 // success
56
    ELSE
57
       RETURN 0 // failure
58
    ENDIF
59 END
60
61 CHECK_SERIAL(serial, name)
```

Cracking the Code

Now that we know how the algorithm works, we need to first figure out which permutation would produce the correct plaintext message. The encrypted message in byte_403010 is:

prncyl In cryp haorptg e ,apy iamttru onbxo b Po -(r ix so)o t ehami fbdofu- hftss i gulnpod t e tr ueemnrr tao bep s sorat cisbSs -osn xs ioer,us ptnntii eauf if gdh inw soatl r ienssoi npg.

To crack the code, it is enough to find the permutation for one 7 letter block. The first 7 letters of the ciphertext are:

1 prncyl

(there's a space at the end). The capital letter I comes first, the rest isn't too hard to guess either: 1 In cryp

So the correct decryption mapping is: 6 4 1 3 5 0 2. (the first letter goes to the 6th position, the second letter to the 4th, etc.).

Keygen

The SomeCrypt~02 applies two permutations to the ciphertext. The first is based on the name, the second is given by the serial. To write a keygen for a given name we need to calculate the resulting mapping by running the name_mapping routine. Then we can determine which second mapping, when combined with the name mapping, results in the correct mapping 6 4 1 3 5 0 2:

```
import argparse
from collections import deque

parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description="SomeCrypto~02 keygen")
parser.add_argument('name')
args = parser.parse_args()
name = args.name

correct_key = [6, 4, 1, 3, 5, 0, 2]
cypher = deque(list(range(7)))
```

```
12 for c in name:
      if ord(c) % 2:
13
         cypher[0], cypher[1] = cypher[1], cypher[0]
14
15
      cypher.rotate(-1)
16
17 \text{ serial} = 7*[None]
18 for c, k in zip(cypher, correct_key):
19
      serial[c] = k
21 print('serial: ' + ".join(str(s) for s in serial))
Testing:
1 $ python keygen.py San01suke
```



In cryptography, a permutation box (or P-box) is a method of bit-shuffling used to permute or transpose bits across S-boxes inputs, retaining diffusion while transposing. OK San01suke

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