# 1. Introduction to Malware

o C) Spyware

•	• Topics Covered:		
	•	What is Malware?	
	0	Types of Malware	
	0	Malware Propagation	
	0	Malware Impact	
	0	Malware History	
Sample	MCQs f	for Introduction to Malware:	
1. What is malware?			
	0	A) Software that helps improve computer performance	
	0	B) Software designed to damage or exploit a computer system	
	0	C) A tool used for network administration	
	0	D) A virus scanning tool	
Answei	r: B		
2.	2. Which of the following is a type of malware that replicates itself to spread to other systems?		
	0	A) Trojan Horse	
	0	B) Virus	
	0	C) Worm	
	0	D) Spyware	
Answei	r: C		
3.	Which	of the following is NOT considered malware?	
	0	A) Trojan Horse	
	0	B) Worm	
	0	C) Firewall	
	0	D) Adware	
Answei	r: C		
4.	Which type of malware is specifically designed to steal sensitive information such passwords or credit card details?		
	0	A) Rootkit	
	0	B) Adware	

D) Ransomware Answer: C 5. The first recorded instance of malware was a: o A) Computer virus in the 1980s o B) Trojan in the 1990s o C) Worm in the 1970s o D) Keylogger in the 2000s Answer: A **Sample MCQs for Types of Malware:** 1. Which of the following malware types is often delivered via email attachments and is capable of attaching itself to executable files? o A) Virus o B) Worm o C) Trojan D) Spyware Answer: A 2. What does a worm primarily do? o A) Encrypts files and demands payment o B) Infects files but needs a host program to run o C) Spreads across networks without requiring a host o D) Steals personal information without detection **Answer: C** 3. Which malware type masquerades as legitimate software to trick users into installing it? o A) Trojan Horse o B) Worm o C) Ransomware D) Rootkit **Answer: A** 4. Ransomware typically demands: o A) Unauthorized access to network devices

B) A monetary ransom for restoring access to files

- o C) Personal data theft
- o D) Information about system vulnerabilities

#### **Answer: B**

#### 5. What is the main function of adware?

- o A) Stealing confidential information
- o B) Showing unwanted advertisements
- o C) Taking control of the system's root access
- o D) Encrypting files to extort payment

## Answer: B

# 3. Malware Analysis

- Topics Covered:
  - o Malware Behavior Analysis
  - Malware Characteristics
  - o Techniques for Analysis
  - o Automated vs. Manual Analysis

# **Sample MCQs for Malware Analysis:**

- 1. What is the primary goal of malware analysis?
  - $\circ\quad$  A) To reverse-engineer the malware to understand its behavior
  - o B) To find and delete all files on a system
  - o C) To create more efficient malware
  - o D) To identify the operating system version

# Answer: A

- 2. Which method of analysis is done without executing the malware?
  - o A) Dynamic Analysis
  - o B) Static Analysis
  - o C) Behavioral Analysis
  - o D) Reverse Engineering

## Answer: B

- 3. Which type of malware analysis involves observing the behavior of malware during execution?
  - A) Static Analysis

B) Dynamic Analysis o C) Manual Analysis o D) Heuristic Analysis Answer: B 4. Automated analysis of malware can speed up the detection process but often lacks: o A) Accuracy o B) Flexibility and adaptability o C) High processing power o D) Reputation systems Answer: B 5. Which of the following is NOT a common tool used in malware analysis? o A) Disassembler o B) Debugger o C) Memory Dump o D) Antivirus Answer: D 4. Static Analysis • Topics Covered: Determining File Type Fingerprinting Malware o Multiple Antivirus Scanning Extracting Strings Analyzing Headers ample MCQs for Static Analysis: 1. In static analysis, one of the first steps is determining the file type. Which of the following tools can help identify a file type? o A) VirusTotal

o B) File signature analysis tools

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o D) Memory analysis tools

#### Answer: B

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  - o B) To create a signature for detecting malware
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  - o D) To generate random values in malware code

## **Answer: B**

- 3. Which of the following is the most common way to extract strings from a malware sample?
  - o A) Manual inspection of code
  - o B) Using strings command in Linux
  - o C) Modifying the system's registry
  - o D) Analyzing network traffic

## **Answer: B**

- 4. Which of the following would NOT typically be found in a file header during static analysis?
  - o A) File size
  - o B) Metadata
  - o C) Function calls
  - o D) Author name

## **Answer: C**

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  - o A) To check for compatibility with different operating systems
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  - o C) To reverse-engineer the code
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# **Introduction to Malware (Continued)**

- 6. What is the primary difference between a virus and a worm?
  - A) A virus requires user interaction to spread, while a worm can spread autonomously
  - o B) A worm requires user interaction to spread, while a virus spreads autonomously

- o C) A worm can only infect files, while a virus can infect memory
- o D) There is no difference; they are the same

#### Answer: A

- 7. Which of the following is an example of social engineering used in malware propagation?
  - o A) Exploiting a buffer overflow vulnerability
  - o B) Sending phishing emails to steal user credentials
  - o C) Using a rootkit to hide malware
  - o D) Distributing ransomware through software updates

## Answer: B

- 8. What type of malware is primarily designed to provide unauthorized remote access to a compromised system?
  - o A) Trojan Horse
  - o B) Keylogger
  - o C) Rootkit
  - o D) Spyware

## **Answer: C**

- 9. Which of the following malware types is known for tracking and recording user activity such as keystrokes?
  - o A) Keylogger
  - o B) Ransomware
  - o C) Rootkit
  - o D) Trojan

## Answer: A

- 10. What is a common method used by malware to avoid detection by antivirus software?
- A) By using polymorphic or metamorphic code
- B) By deleting system logs
- C) By encrypting files with complex algorithms
- D) All of the above

# Answer: D

# **Types of Malware (Continued)**

6. Which malware type is most likely to corrupt files and demand a ransom for their decryption?
A) Trojan Horse
B) Rootkit
C) Ransomware
D) Worm

## Answer: C

- 7. Which of the following best describes a "drive-by download"?
  - A) A type of Trojan Horse that installs malware when a user visits a compromised website
  - o B) A worm that spreads through infected USB drives
  - o C) A virus that activates when a user downloads an email attachment
  - o D) A malware attack through a phishing link

## Answer: A

- 8. What makes a rootkit particularly dangerous compared to other types of malware?
  - o A) It encrypts user files and demands ransom
  - o B) It hides its presence from the operating system and security software
  - C) It replicates and spreads itself across networks
  - o D) It floods the system with spam emails

#### **Answer: B**

- 9. Which malware type is designed to exploit a system's vulnerabilities without the user's knowledge or consent?
  - o A) Virus
  - o B) Worm
  - o C) Adware
  - o D) Trojan Horse

## **Answer: B**

- 10. Which of the following is the primary purpose of a keylogger?
  - o A) To provide unauthorized access to the system's administrator
  - o B) To track a user's keystrokes and capture sensitive information like passwords
  - o C) To damage files and cause system instability
  - D) To perform denial-of-service attacks

# **Malware Analysis (Continued)**

- 6. Which of the following tools is commonly used to perform dynamic malware analysis?
  - o A) Hex editor
  - o B) Virtual machine (VM)
  - o C) Static disassembler
  - o D) String extraction tool

## Answer: B

- 7. In malware analysis, which of the following techniques is used to identify the potential behavior of the malware in a controlled environment?
  - o A) Sandboxing
  - o B) File signature analysis
  - o C) Code injection
  - o D) Heuristic analysis

## **Answer: A**

- 8. When analyzing a piece of malware, which type of analysis will involve monitoring the system's network activity?
  - o A) Dynamic Analysis
  - o B) Static Analysis
  - o C) Signature-based Analysis
  - o D) Memory Analysis

## Answer: A

- 9. What is the purpose of using a "sandbox" during malware analysis?
  - o A) To modify the malware's code
  - B) To execute the malware in a controlled environment to observe its behavior
  - C) To analyze the malware's encryption algorithm
  - D) To extract the malware's strings

# **Answer: B**

- 10. Which of the following can be used to detect unknown malware based on behavior and not just signatures?
  - o A) Signature-based detection

- o B) Heuristic analysis
- o C) File type determination
- o D) String extraction

Answer: B

# **Static Analysis (Continued)**

- 6. Which tool would you use to examine the file's content for embedded or hardcoded URLs?
  - o A) File signature tools
  - o B) Hex editor
  - o C) String extraction tools
  - o D) Debugger

Answer: C

- 7. What can static analysis reveal about a malware sample?
  - o A) The real-time behavior of the malware during execution
  - o B) The source code of the malware
  - o C) The number of system processes the malware will spawn
  - o D) The structure and content of the malware's binary file

Answer: D

- 8. Which file characteristic is often analyzed during static analysis to determine the intended architecture of the malware?
  - o A) File extension
  - o B) File headers
  - o C) File metadata
  - o D) File permissions

**Answer: B** 

- 9. Which of the following static analysis techniques is useful in identifying the use of packing in malware?
  - o A) File signature analysis
  - o B) Reverse engineering the malware code
  - C) Using a disassembler
  - D) Extracting strings

**Answer: C** 

- 10. Which of the following best describes the role of multiple antivirus scanning in static analysis?
  - o A) To find out if the malware contains encryption algorithms
  - o B) To identify how the malware spreads
  - o C) To detect malware signatures and variants in the file
  - o D) To identify how malware interacts with the system

## **Answer: C**

# **Malware Analysis (Advanced)**

- 11. Which of the following methods is commonly used in reverse engineering to analyze the assembly code of a malware sample?
- A) File signature analysis
- B) Static disassembling
- C) Memory dump analysis
- D) Debugging the malware in real-time

## **Answer: B**

- 12. Which of the following is a key advantage of manual malware analysis over automated tools?
- A) Faster execution
- B) More accurate identification of zero-day vulnerabilities
- C) Ability to analyze encrypted or polymorphic code
- D) Automatic removal of malware

## **Answer: C**

- 13. Which of the following is most likely to occur during dynamic analysis of malware in a virtualized environment?
- A) Malware code is analyzed for cryptographic patterns
- B) Malware may evade detection by disabling the VM
- C) The system automatically isolates malware from network communication
- D) Malware will be reverse-engineered into its source code

# **Answer: B**

- 14. What is an effective technique to prevent malware from escaping a virtual machine during analysis?
- A) Allow the malware to run with administrative privileges
- B) Use of VM snapshots and rollback techniques

- C) Running the malware in a high-level sandbox environment
- D) Analyzing it using an online malware database

#### **Answer: B**

- 15. In dynamic malware analysis, which of the following would be most useful in identifying unusual network activity or C2 (Command-and-Control) communication?
- A) Static code analysis
- B) System file hash checking
- C) Network traffic monitoring
- D) Extracting embedded strings

## **Answer: C**

# **Reverse Engineering Malware**

- 16. Which tool is most commonly used to disassemble or decompile malware to analyze its assembly code?
- A) OllyDbg
- B) Wireshark
- C) RegEdit
- D) FileZilla

#### Answer: A

- 17. What is a common challenge when reverse-engineering packed malware?
- A) Packed malware is difficult to detect since it can hide its true content
- B) Packed malware runs without any need for memory
- C) Packed malware performs encryption only once
- D) Packed malware is detected automatically by antivirus tools

#### Answer: A

- 18. What is the primary purpose of a debugger in reverse engineering malware?
- A) To manually remove malware from the infected system
- B) To analyze the execution of malware line by line
- C) To automate the analysis of network traffic
- D) To extract hidden files and logs

#### **Answer: B**

- 19. When reverse-engineering malware, which of the following is an indicator that the malware may be packed or obfuscated?
- A) Large number of file extensions within the code
- B) Multiple iterations of repeated code sequences
- C) Presence of complex or cryptic code that seems difficult to understand
- D) Clear variable names and straightforward function calls

## **Answer: C**

- 20. Which of the following tools can be used for unpacking or decompressing packed malware during reverse engineering?
- A) WinRAR
- B) IDA Pro
- C) x64dbg
- D) PEiD

**Answer: D** 

## **Static Analysis (Advanced)**

- 11. In static analysis, what does examining a file's Digital Signature help identify?
- A) The file's authorship and authenticity
- B) The file's encrypted sections
- C) The file's compression method
- D) The execution environment of the malware

## Answer: A

- 12. When analyzing a malware file using the strings command in Linux, what type of data are you most likely to find?
- A) System configuration settings
- B) File compression methods
- C) Human-readable text such as URLs, file paths, and strings that may be useful for identifying the malware's behavior
- D) Binary code that represents the malware's executable code

## **Answer: C**

- 13. Which of the following is an advantage of performing static analysis over dynamic analysis?
- A) It provides insights into the malware's behavior during execution

- B) It allows for monitoring of system modifications during malware execution
- C) It is faster and avoids the risks associated with running malware
- D) It is more effective at detecting polymorphic malware

#### Answer: C

- 14. In static analysis, what can you infer from an unusually large or suspicious PE (Portable Executable) header?
- A) The file is most likely packed or obfuscated
- B) The file has been scanned by an antivirus solution
- C) The file is a text document
- D) The file has been modified or corrupted

#### Answer: A

- 15. Which technique can be used during static analysis to identify suspicious sections within an executable file that may contain malicious payloads?
- A) Behavioral analysis
- B) File integrity monitoring
- C) PE header analysis
- D) Network traffic monitoring

#### **Answer: C**

## **Dynamic Analysis (Advanced)**

- 11. In dynamic analysis, what is the role of a "network analyzer" like Wireshark?
- A) To capture and inspect the traffic between the malware and external systems, helping to identify command-and-control servers
- B) To automatically patch vulnerabilities in malware
- C) To generate random network traffic to confuse malware
- D) To prevent the malware from sending data to remote servers

## **Answer: A**

- 12. Which of the following best describes "hooking" in dynamic analysis?
- A) A technique used to monitor and manipulate API calls made by malware
- B) A method to encrypt the malware before execution
- C) A way to compress malware files for easier analysis
- D) A technique used to automatically remove malware from infected systems

#### Answer: A

- 13. Why might a malware analyst use a "sandbox" for dynamic analysis?
- A) To perform malware analysis without the risk of spreading the infection to production systems
- B) To reverse-engineer packed malware
- C) To detect vulnerabilities in the operating system
- D) To extract embedded passwords from malware

#### **Answer: A**

- 14. Which of the following actions would most likely be observed during dynamic analysis of a malware sample attempting to evade detection?
- A) Malware immediately begins to encrypt user files
- B) Malware runs only when it detects specific system configurations or time intervals
- C) Malware initiates a brute force attack on the system password
- D) Malware immediately sends a large volume of emails

## **Answer: B**

- 15. When performing dynamic analysis, what type of behavior might indicate that the malware is attempting to hide its actions?
- A) Opening several network ports
- B) Modifying system files and processes
- C) Attempting to disable antivirus or security software
- D) All of the above

## **Answer: D**

## **Advanced Static Analysis Techniques**

- 16. What is "polymorphism" in the context of malware, and how does it affect static analysis?
- A) The ability of malware to change its behavior based on the operating system
- B) The ability of malware to alter its code to avoid detection by signature-based antivirus programs
- C) The process of encryption used by malware
- D) The use of multiple payloads within a malware sample

## **Answer: B**

17. In static analysis, what is the significance of examining "import tables" within a PE file?

- A) To identify external libraries or system functions that the malware may use for malicious actions
- B) To detect the exact memory address where the malware is located
- C) To analyze the malware's compression technique
- D) To determine the size and complexity of the malware file

## Answer: A

- 18. Which of the following is commonly used to identify and analyze embedded or hidden resources in malware during static analysis?
- A) Network traffic monitoring
- B) PE file analysis
- C) Debugger-based inspection
- D) Memory dump extraction

## **Answer: B**

# **Dynamic Analysis:**

## **Dynamic Analysis Steps:**

- 1. What is the first step in dynamic analysis?
  - A) Analyzing network traffic
  - o B) Running the malware in a controlled environment
  - o C) Disassembling the malware
  - o D) Analyzing system calls
  - o **Answer:** B) Running the malware in a controlled environment
- 2. Which of the following tools is commonly used for malware dynamic analysis?
  - o A) Ghidra
  - o B) OllyDbg
  - o C) Wireshark
  - o D) VirusTotal
  - o Answer: B) OllyDbg
- 3. What does "sandboxing" refer to in dynamic analysis?
  - o A) Isolating the malware from the system
  - o B) Running the malware in an open environment
  - o C) Analyzing the source code of malware
  - D) Protecting the system from malware

- o **Answer:** A) Isolating the malware from the system
- 4. What is commonly checked during dynamic analysis to understand malware behavior?
  - o A) File creation and deletion
  - o B) Network traffic
  - o C) Registry changes
  - o D) All of the above
  - o **Answer:** D) All of the above
- 5. What is the purpose of monitoring API calls during dynamic analysis?
  - o A) To track the execution flow
  - o B) To understand the malware's interaction with the OS
  - o C) To detect encryption keys
  - o D) To prevent the malware from running
  - o Answer: B) To understand the malware's interaction with the OS

## **DLL Analysis:**

- 1. What is the primary function of a DLL (Dynamic Link Library)?
  - o A) To store system files
  - o B) To provide reusable code for applications
  - o C) To load operating system drivers
  - o D) To store application data
  - **Answer:** B) To provide reusable code for applications
- 2. What tool can be used to inspect DLL dependencies?
  - o A) Process Monitor
  - o B) Dependency Walker
  - o C) OllyDbg
  - o D) Wireshark
  - o Answer: B) Dependency Walker
- 3. Which function is commonly used to load a DLL into a process?
  - o A) CreateFile
  - o B) LoadLibrary
  - o C) SetFilePointer
  - o D) VirtualAlloc

- Answer: B) LoadLibrary
- 4. What is the purpose of an import table in a DLL?
  - o A) To list the functions the DLL exports
  - o B) To list the functions the DLL imports
  - o C) To load the DLL into memory
  - o D) To execute the DLL functions
  - o **Answer:** B) To list the functions the DLL imports
- 5. Which of the following is true about DLL injection?
  - o A) It is used to compile DLLs
  - o B) It allows a malicious DLL to be loaded into another process
  - o C) It is an anti-malware technique
  - o D) It only works on 64-bit systems
  - o **Answer:** B) It allows a malicious DLL to be loaded into another process

# **Assembly Language and Disassembly Primer:**

## **Introduction to Assembly Language Basics:**

- 1. Which of the following is the main purpose of assembly language?
  - o A) High-level programming
  - o B) Direct control over hardware
  - o C) Database management
  - o D) Network programming
  - o **Answer:** B) Direct control over hardware
- 2. Which instruction in assembly is typically used to stop a program?
  - o A) HALT
  - o B) NOP
  - o C) MOV
  - o D) JUMP
  - o **Answer:** A) HALT
- 3. Which assembly language operation is used to move data between registers?
  - o A) ADD
  - o B) MOV

- o C) JMP o D) CMP o Answer: B) MOV 4. In x86 assembly, what does the instruction ADD AX, 1 do? o A) It moves 1 into the AX register. o B) It adds 1 to the AX register. o C) It divides AX by 1. o D) It subtracts 1 from AX. o **Answer:** B) It adds 1 to the AX register. 5. Which of the following registers is used for storing return addresses in x86 architecture? o A) EAX o B) ESP o C) EIP o D) EBX o Answer: C) EIP Registers and Data Transfer Instructions: 1. What is the primary role of the EAX register in x86 assembly? o A) It stores the return address o B) It is used for arithmetic operations and return values o C) It stores system status flags o D) It stores pointers to data in memory **Answer:** B) It is used for arithmetic operations and return values 2. Which of the following instructions moves data from one register to another in x86 assembly? o A) MOV o B) PUSH o C) POP o D) CMP
  - 3. What does the instruction PUSH AX do in x86 assembly?
    - o A) Copies the value of AX into memory

o **Answer:** A) MOV

- o B) Adds the value of AX to the stack
- o C) Moves the value of AX to the top of the stack
- o D) Pushes AX into a register
- o **Answer:** B) Adds the value of AX to the stack

# 4. Which x86 register is used as the stack pointer?

- o A) EAX
- o B) ESP
- o C) EBP
- o D) ECX
- o Answer: B) ESP

# 5. What is the effect of the POP instruction in x86 assembly?

- o A) It removes a value from memory.
- o B) It moves a value from the top of the stack into a register.
- o C) It adds a value to the stack.
- o D) It performs an arithmetic operation.
- o **Answer:** B) It moves a value from the top of the stack into a register.

# **Arithmetic Operations:**

# 1. Which instruction performs addition in x86 assembly?

- o A) ADD
- o B) SUB
- o C) MUL
- o D) DIV
- o **Answer:** A) ADD

# 2. What does the IMUL instruction do in x86 assembly?

- o A) It adds two numbers.
- o B) It multiplies two numbers.
- o C) It divides two numbers.
- o D) It subtracts two numbers.
- o **Answer:** B) It multiplies two numbers.

# 3. What is the result of the SUB instruction in assembly?

o A) It performs a bitwise operation.

- o B) It adds two operands.
- o C) It divides one operand by another.
- o D) It subtracts one operand from another.
- o **Answer:** D) It subtracts one operand from another.

# 4. Which instruction is used to perform division in x86 assembly?

- o A) DIV
- o B) ADD
- o C) CMP
- o D) MOV
- o **Answer:** A) DIV

# 5. What is the purpose of the INC instruction in x86 assembly?

- o A) It decreases the value of a register.
- o B) It compares two registers.
- o C) It increments the value of a register by 1.
- o D) It performs a division.
- o **Answer:** C) It increments the value of a register by 1.

# **Dynamic Analysis:**

# **Dynamic Analysis Steps:**

- 6. Which of the following is NOT typically analyzed during dynamic malware analysis?
  - o A) File system modifications
  - o B) Network connections
  - o C) Malware code structure
  - o D) Process creation and termination
  - o **Answer:** C) Malware code structure

# 7. What tool is used to monitor file system activity during dynamic analysis?

- o A) Process Explorer
- o B) Filemon
- o C) IDA Pro
- o D) Sysinternals Suite
- o **Answer:** B) Filemon

# 8. Which of the following is a major risk of performing dynamic analysis in a live environment without precautions?

- o A) Data leakage
- o B) Data loss
- o C) Malware spread
- o D) Slower analysis speed
- o Answer: C) Malware spread

# 9. What is the goal of dynamic analysis in terms of network activity?

- o A) To detect whether the malware uses encryption
- o B) To track the malware's connection to command and control servers
- o C) To monitor the malware's interaction with anti-virus software
- o D) To isolate the malware from network resources
- Answer: B) To track the malware's connection to command and control servers

# 10. Which of the following is an example of a dynamic analysis tool used for network traffic analysis?

- o A) OllyDbg
- o B) Wireshark
- o C) ProcMon
- o D) PEStudio
- Answer: B) Wireshark

## **DLL Analysis:**

- 6. What is the first step when analyzing a suspicious DLL file?
  - o A) Disassembling the DLL file
  - B) Checking the file's integrity
  - o C) Analyzing the function names in the export table
  - D) Running the DLL in a controlled environment
  - Answer: C) Analyzing the function names in the export table

## 7. Which of the following can be used to reverse engineer the functions within a DLL?

- o A) Ghidra
- o B) PowerShell
- o C) VLC Media Player
- o D) Task Manager

- o **Answer:** A) Ghidra
- 8. Which of the following describes the function of GetProcAddress in DLLs?
  - o A) It loads a DLL into memory
  - o B) It retrieves the address of a function in a DLL
  - o C) It unloads a DLL from memory
  - o D) It checks the integrity of the DLL
  - o Answer: B) It retrieves the address of a function in a DLL
- 9. What is DLL hijacking?
  - o A) An attacker replaces a legitimate DLL with a malicious one
  - o B) An attacker reverse-engineers a DLL to find vulnerabilities
  - o C) An attacker exploits a bug in a DLL
  - o D) An attacker loads a DLL into an unrelated process
  - o Answer: A) An attacker replaces a legitimate DLL with a malicious one
- 10. What is a key indicator of a suspicious or malicious DLL?
  - o A) The presence of unusual imports or exports
  - o B) The absence of any imports
  - o C) The file's large size
  - o D) The file being digitally signed
  - **Answer:** A) The presence of unusual imports or exports

# **Assembly Language and Disassembly Primer:**

# Registers and Data Transfer Instructions:

- 6. Which of the following registers in x86 is the data register used for arithmetic operations?
  - o A) EAX
  - o B) EBX
  - o C) ECX
  - o D) EDX
  - o **Answer:** A) EAX
- 7. In x86 assembly, which instruction copies the contents of the source register into the destination register?
  - o A) MOV

- B) PUSH o C) POP D) INC o **Answer:** A) MOV 8. What does the LEA instruction do in assembly? o A) It loads the address of a variable into a register o B) It loads the value stored at the address of a variable o C) It performs a logical AND operation o D) It jumps to a specified memory address Answer: A) It loads the address of a variable into a register architecture?
  - 9. Which of the following registers holds the value of the function return address in the x86
    - o A) EAX
    - o B) EBP
    - o C) ESP
    - o D) EIP
    - o Answer: D) EIP
  - 10. Which assembly instruction is used to compare two values?
    - o A) CMP
    - o B) MOV
    - o C) ADD
    - o D) SUB
    - o Answer: A) CMP

## **Arithmetic Operations:**

- 6. What happens when the DIV instruction is used in x86 assembly?
  - o A) The dividend is divided by the divisor
  - o B) Two values are added
  - o C) One register is incremented
  - o D) A logical operation is performed
  - **Answer:** A) The dividend is divided by the divisor
- 7. In x86 assembly, what does the NEG instruction do?

0	A) Negates the value in a register
	B) Adds two values
0	C) Moves data between registers
0	D) Performs a division
0	
O Which	Answer: A) Negates the value in a register  of the following is the result of the AND operation in assembly?
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0	A) Bitwise AND between two values
0	B) Subtraction of two values
0	C) Logical OR between two values
0	D) Addition of two values
0	Answer: A) Bitwise AND between two values
9. <b>In asse</b>	mbly, which instruction is used for signed multiplication?
0	A) IMUL
0	B) MUL
0	C) ADD
0	D) SUB
0	Answer: A) IMUL
10. Which	instruction would you use to increment a register by 1 in x86 assembly?
0	A) INC
0	B) ADD
0	C) SUB
0	D) MOV
0	Answer: A) INC
Bitwise Operat	ions:
1. Which	of the following performs a bitwise XOR operation in assembly?
0	A) XOR
0	B) AND
0	C) OR
0	D) NOT
0	Answer: A) XOR
2. <b>In x86</b>	assembly, which instruction clears the contents of a register (sets it to zero)?

- o A) AND
- o B) MOV
- o C) XOR
- o D) NOT
- o Answer: C) XOR

# 3. What is the purpose of the SHL instruction in assembly?

- o A) Shift the bits of a value to the left
- o B) Shift the bits of a value to the right
- o C) Perform a logical AND operation
- o D) Perform a division operation
- o **Answer:** A) Shift the bits of a value to the left

# 4. Which of the following instructions is used to perform a bitwise OR operation in assembly?

- o A) OR
- o B) AND
- o C) XOR
- o D) NOT
- o **Answer:** A) OR

# 5. What is the result of the RCL (Rotate through carry left) operation in assembly?

- o A) The bits are rotated left through the carry flag
- o B) The bits are rotated right through the carry flag
- o C) The register is shifted left
- o D) The register is shifted right
- o **Answer:** A) The bits are rotated left through the carry flag

# **Dynamic Analysis:**

# **Dynamic Analysis Steps:**

## 11. What is the purpose of using a debugger in dynamic analysis?

- A) To prevent the malware from executing
- B) To step through the malware's code and observe behavior
- C) To extract encryption keys from the malware
- D) To monitor network traffic
- **Answer:** B) To step through the malware's code and observe behavior

- 12. In dynamic analysis, which of the following is an indicator that malware is attempting to hide its behavior?
- A) Unexpected network traffic
- B) Frequent process crashes
- C) The use of obfuscated code
- D) High CPU usage
- Answer: C) The use of obfuscated code
- 13. Which of the following dynamic analysis techniques helps in identifying memory manipulation by malware?
- A) API hooking
- B) Static code analysis
- C) Memory dumping
- D) File system monitoring
- Answer: C) Memory dumping
- 14. What is one of the challenges when performing dynamic analysis of malware?
- A) Static analysis is always faster than dynamic
- B) Malware might detect the analysis environment and change behavior
- C) Dynamic analysis does not provide insight into how the malware was created
- D) Dynamic analysis cannot detect network activity
- Answer: B) Malware might detect the analysis environment and change behavior
- 15. Which of the following tools can be used to trace function calls made by malware during dynamic analysis?
- A) IDA Pro
- B) OllyDbg
- C) ProcMon
- D) FileMon
- Answer: B) OllyDbg

## **DLL Analysis:**

- 11. Which of the following best describes DLL injection?
- A) Loading a DLL into memory for execution
- B) Modifying the contents of an existing DLL
- C) Inserting a malicious DLL into another process's memory space

- D) Creating a new DLL from a system process
- Answer: C) Inserting a malicious DLL into another process's memory space
- 12. Which tool would you use to detect if a DLL is being injected into a process?
- A) Dependency Walker
- B) ProcMon
- C) Wireshark
- D) PEStudio
- Answer: B) ProcMon
- 13. When analyzing a DLL, what is the significance of its Export Table?
- A) It contains the list of external functions the DLL provides
- B) It contains the list of functions the DLL imports
- C) It defines the entry point for the DLL
- D) It contains the metadata about the DLL
- Answer: A) It contains the list of external functions the DLL provides
- 14. Which of the following is a sign that a DLL might be used for malicious purposes?
- A) The DLL has no export functions
- B) The DLL is signed by a reputable certificate authority
- C) The DLL imports system-critical libraries like kernel32.dll
- D) The DLL uses unusual function names
- Answer: D) The DLL uses unusual function names
- 15. Which of the following Windows commands can be used to list the DLLs loaded into a process?
- A) tasklist
- B) listdlls
- C) procmon
- D) netstat
- Answer: B) listdlls

## **Assembly Language and Disassembly Primer:**

# Registers and Data Transfer Instructions:

11. Which register in x86 architecture is used for the stack pointer?

- A) EAX
- B) EBP
- C) ESP
- D) ECX
- Answer: C) ESP

# 12. Which of the following is a correct operation of the MOV instruction in x86 assembly?

- A) It transfers control to another part of the program
- B) It performs a comparison between two registers
- C) It copies data from one location to another
- D) It shifts the bits in a register
- **Answer:** C) It copies data from one location to another

# 13. What is the function of the PUSH instruction in x86 assembly?

- A) It adds data to the top of the stack
- B) It moves data from one register to another
- C) It subtracts a value from a register
- D) It performs a comparison between two registers
- **Answer:** A) It adds data to the top of the stack
- 14. Which instruction would you use to decrement the value of a register by 1?
- A) DEC
- B) ADD
- C) SUB
- D) MOV
- Answer: A) DEC

# 15. In x86 assembly, which register is typically used to store the frame pointer?

- A) EAX
- B) EBP
- C) ESP
- D) EIP
- Answer: B) EBP

# **Arithmetic Operations:**

11. What does the MUL instruction do in x86 assembly?

• A) Performs multiplication of signed numbers • B) Performs multiplication of unsigned numbers • C) Subtracts two values • D) Divides two values • **Answer:** B) Performs multiplication of unsigned numbers 12. Which of the following instructions performs subtraction in x86 assembly? A) ADD B) SUB • C) MOV • D) CMP • Answer: B) SUB 13. What is the result of ADD AX, BX if AX = 5 and BX = 3 in x86 assembly? • A) AX = 2 • B) AX = 8 • C) AX = 15 • D) AX = 3 • **Answer:** B) AX = 8 14. Which of the following instructions is used to perform division in x86 assembly? • A) DIV B) MUL • C) ADD • D) CMP • Answer: A) DIV 15. Which of the following registers is used as the dividend in the DIV instruction in x86 assembly? • A) EAX • B) EBX • C) ECX

• D) EDX

**Bitwise Operations:** 

• Answer: A) EAX

# 6. What is the result of XOR AX, AX in x86 assembly?

- o A) AX will be incremented by 1
- o B) AX will be set to 0
- o C) AX will hold the value 1
- o D) AX will remain unchanged
- o **Answer:** B) AX will be set to 0

# 7. Which instruction is used to perform a left shift of bits in x86 assembly?

- o A) SHL
- o B) SHR
- o C) RCL
- o D) ROR
- o Answer: A) SHL

# 8. What does the ROR instruction do in assembly?

- o A) Performs a rotate right through carry
- o B) Performs a shift right
- o C) Performs a bitwise OR
- o D) Performs a rotate left through carry
- Answer: A) Performs a rotate right through carry

# 9. What happens when the NOT instruction is used in assembly?

- o A) It clears the value in the register
- o B) It complements each bit of the operand (bitwise NOT)
- o C) It adds 1 to the value in the register
- D) It performs a logical AND
- Answer: B) It complements each bit of the operand (bitwise NOT)

# 10. In x86 assembly, what does SHR do?

- o A) Shifts bits of a value to the left
- o B) Shifts bits of a value to the right, filling with zeros
- o C) Rotates bits left through the carry flag
- o D) Performs a subtraction operation
- Answer: B) Shifts bits of a value to the right, filling with zeros

# Disassembly using IDA

## Static Code Analysis:

# 1. What does static code analysis focus on?

- o A) Observing the runtime behavior of a program
- o B) Analyzing the source code of a program without executing it
- o C) Identifying memory leaks during execution
- o D) Determining the network activity of a program
- o Answer: B) Analyzing the source code of a program without executing it

## 2. Which of the following is NOT a feature of IDA Pro?

- o A) Disassembling binary files into assembly code
- o B) Interactive disassembly with dynamic debugging
- o C) Decompiling to higher-level languages
- o D) Reversing graphical user interface elements
- Answer: D) Reversing graphical user interface elements

# 3. Which of the following is typically analyzed during static code analysis in IDA Pro?

- o A) System resource usage
- o B) Network communication patterns
- o C) Control flow graph and function calls
- D) Memory dump analysis
- o **Answer:** C) Control flow graph and function calls

# 4. In IDA Pro, what is the primary purpose of the "Function Window"?

- o A) To display the hex dump of the binary
- o B) To view and analyze functions in the disassembled code
- o C) To track runtime memory changes

- o D) To analyze the file header information
- Answer: B) To view and analyze functions in the disassembled code

# 5. Which IDA Pro feature allows users to search for specific instructions or patterns within the binary?

- o A) Hexadecimal view
- B) String references
- o C) Graph view
- D) Search for patterns
- o **Answer:** D) Search for patterns

# 6. In IDA Pro, what is a "Segment"?

- o A) A portion of memory where code is executed
- o B) A function that is executed at runtime
- o C) A section of a binary that contains code, data, or other elements
- o D) A collection of related functions in a program
- Answer: C) A section of a binary that contains code, data, or other elements

# 7. What type of information can be recovered using static analysis in IDA Pro?

- A) The original source code
- B) The network protocols used by the program
- o C) The high-level structure of the program
- o D) The compiler used to create the binary
- Answer: C) The high-level structure of the program

## 8. Which IDA Pro window would you use to visualize a program's flow of execution?

- A) Hexadecimal view
- B) Graph view
- C) Function window
- D) Output window
- Answer: B) Graph view

## 9. Which of the following is a limitation of static analysis using IDA Pro?

- A) Does not execute the program, so runtime issues may not be identified
- B) It does not allow the analysis of dynamic memory allocations
- C) It cannot disassemble binaries larger than 1GB

- D) It only supports analysis of Windows executables
- o **Answer:** A) Does not execute the program, so runtime issues may not be identified

# 10. In IDA Pro, what is the purpose of the "Decompiled" view?

- o A) To view the source code of the binary in a high-level language
- o B) To view the hex dump of the binary
- o C) To view the function call graph
- o D) To perform runtime analysis of the program
- o **Answer:** A) To view the source code of the binary in a high-level language

## **Disassembling Windows API:**

# 11. What is the primary purpose of disassembling Windows API calls in malware analysis?

- o A) To identify system calls and function interactions
- o B) To find unencrypted strings
- o C) To trace the origin of the binary file
- o D) To calculate the execution time of functions
- **Answer:** A) To identify system calls and function interactions

# 12. Which of the following Windows API functions is used to allocate memory dynamically?

- o A) VirtualAlloc
- o B) CreateFile
- o C) MessageBox
- D) GetProcAddress
- o **Answer:** A) VirtualAlloc

# 13. In IDA Pro, how can you identify which Windows API functions a program is calling?

- o A) By examining the strings embedded in the binary
- o B) By inspecting the code's import table
- o C) By analyzing the binary's section headers
- o D) By looking at the program's output
- o **Answer:** B) By inspecting the code's import table

# 14. Which of the following functions is used by malware to hide a file in a Windows environment?

o A) CreateFile

- o B) GetFileAttributes
- o C) SetFileAttributes
- o D) LoadLibrary
- Answer: C) SetFileAttributes

# 15. What can you infer from the use of CreateRemoteThread in a disassembled binary?

- o A) The binary is attempting to inject code into another process
- o B) The binary is performing file system operations
- o C) The binary is opening a new network connection
- o D) The binary is manipulating the GUI
- o **Answer:** A) The binary is attempting to inject code into another process

# **Debugging Malicious Binaries**

# General Concepts of Debugging:

- 1. What is the primary goal of debugging malicious binaries?
  - o A) To reverse engineer the source code
  - o B) To understand the malware's behavior and functionality
  - o C) To detect the encryption methods used in the binary
  - o D) To speed up the malware's execution
  - o **Answer:** B) To understand the malware's behavior and functionality
- 2. What type of debugger is most commonly used for analyzing Windows binaries?
  - o A) GDB
  - o B) OllyDbg
  - o C) IDA Pro
  - o D) WinDbg
  - o **Answer:** D) WinDbg
- 3. In dynamic analysis, which of the following is typically used to monitor the behavior of a malicious binary?
  - o A) Debugger
  - o B) Hex editor
  - o C) Decompiler
  - o D) Disassembler

- o **Answer:** A) Debugger
- 4. Which of the following is an essential part of debugging a binary?
  - o A) Analyzing its import table
  - o B) Disassembling the code
  - o C) Setting breakpoints
  - o D) All of the above
  - o **Answer:** D) All of the above
- 5. Which of the following tools can be used to debug a Windows binary?
  - o A) OllyDbg
  - o B) GDB
  - o C) IDA Pro
  - o D) All of the above
  - o **Answer:** D) All of the above

# **Debugging Binaries:**

- 6. What is a breakpoint used for in debugging?
  - o A) To stop the execution of the program at a certain point
  - o B) To pause the program's execution for analysis
  - o C) To log the execution flow
  - o D) To monitor memory allocation
  - o **Answer:** A) To stop the execution of the program at a certain point
- 7. Which of the following best describes the "stack trace" when debugging?
  - o A) A memory dump of the process
  - o B) A list of function calls leading to the current point of execution
  - o C) A list of network activities performed by the program
  - o D) The set of resources accessed by the program
  - Answer: B) A list of function calls leading to the current point of execution
- 8. What does the n (next) command do in a debugger?
  - o A) Skips over the current line of code and moves to the next instruction
  - o B) Steps into the current function call
  - o C) Runs the program without pausing
  - D) Exits the current function

- o **Answer:** A) Skips over the current line of code and moves to the next instruction
- 9. What happens when you set a "watchpoint" during debugging?
  - o A) It causes the debugger to stop when a specific value is changed in memory
  - o B) It stops the program at a function call
  - o C) It analyzes the memory layout of a specific function
  - o D) It pauses the execution every time a loop is encountered
  - Answer: A) It causes the debugger to stop when a specific value is changed in memory
- 10. Which of the following techniques is used to identify packed or obfuscated binaries?
  - o A) Analyzing system calls
  - o B) Using dynamic analysis to watch unpacking behavior
  - C) Setting breakpoints in functions like LoadLibrary
  - o D) All of the above
  - o Answer: D) All of the above

## **Disassembly using IDA**

#### Static Code Analysis (Continued):

- 16. Which of the following features in IDA Pro helps in identifying code that may have been obfuscated?
  - o A) Control Flow Graph
  - o B) Function Names Analysis
  - C) Strings and Imports View
  - o D) Hexadecimal View
  - o Answer: A) Control Flow Graph
- 17. In IDA Pro, what does the "Strings" window display?
  - o A) A list of all strings within the binary, including possible plaintext passwords
  - o B) A list of all assembly instructions
  - C) A list of all external function calls
  - o D) A list of all unreferenced memory addresses
  - Answer: A) A list of all strings within the binary, including possible plaintext passwords
- 18. When analyzing a binary in IDA Pro, which of the following might suggest the presence of packed code?

- A) Large unexplained jumps or loops in the code
- o B) References to imported functions
- o C) Clear, readable assembly instructions
- o D) Use of standard Windows API calls
- o Answer: A) Large unexplained jumps or loops in the code

## 19. Which of the following IDA Pro features allows you to interactively change the disassembled code?

- o A) Graph view
- o B) Interactive mode
- o C) Edit script
- o D) Hex View
- o Answer: B) Interactive mode

# 20. Which tool would you use in IDA Pro to analyze the interaction between a binary and the operating system's kernel?

- o A) File offset view
- o B) Debugger
- o C) Kernel debugging
- o D) API function analysis
- o Answer: B) Debugger

#### **Disassembling Windows API (Continued):**

- 16. Which of the following Windows API functions allows a program to execute shell commands?
  - A) CreateProcess
  - o B) ShellExecute
  - o C) CreateThread
  - o D) SetWindowsHookEx
  - o Answer: B) ShellExecute

#### 17. How can the GetProcAddress function be useful in disassembling a binary?

- A) It dynamically resolves function addresses at runtime, useful for API call identification
- o B) It allocates memory for a function's address
- o C) It dissects the code to identify API imports

- o D) It unpacks compressed code
- Answer: A) It dynamically resolves function addresses at runtime, useful for API call identification

#### 18. What is the purpose of the LoadLibrary function in Windows API analysis?

- o A) It loads a dynamic link library (DLL) into the memory of a running process
- o B) It copies a DLL to a specific directory
- o C) It initializes the system for API call interception
- o D) It creates a new process in the background
- o Answer: A) It loads a dynamic link library (DLL) into the memory of a running process

## 19. What is an indicator that a malicious binary is making use of SetWindowsHookEx?

- o A) It tries to hook into system-wide keyboard or mouse events
- o B) It creates a new user interface window
- o C) It performs file system operations
- o D) It accesses the internet
- Answer: A) It tries to hook into system-wide keyboard or mouse events

## 20. Which Windows API function is commonly used by malware to download files from the internet?

- o A) DownloadFile
- o B) GetURL
- o C) InternetOpen
- D) InternetReadFile
- Answer: C) InternetOpen

#### **Debugging Malicious Binaries**

#### General Concepts of Debugging (Continued):

- 6. Which of the following commands would you use in a debugger to stop execution and break on a specific condition?
  - o A) Breakpoint
  - o B) Step into
  - o C) Watchpoint
  - o D) Trace
  - o Answer: A) Breakpoint

## 7. Which debugger command is used to execute a program until a specific instruction is encountered?

- o A) Run until
- o B) Continue
- o C) Step into
- o D) Run to cursor
- o Answer: D) Run to cursor

## 8. In debugging, what is the purpose of the "call stack"?

- o A) To display the sequence of function calls made during program execution
- o B) To list all memory allocations made by the program
- o C) To manage program flow during breaks
- o D) To observe network traffic during runtime
- Answer: A) To display the sequence of function calls made during program execution

## 9. Which of the following techniques is commonly used to identify if a program is using antidebugging tricks?

- o A) Setting breakpoints in the code
- o B) Searching for instructions that check if the program is being debugged
- o C) Monitoring the program's memory usage
- o D) Using static analysis
- o Answer: B) Searching for instructions that check if the program is being debugged

#### 10. In a debugger, what does the "disassembly" view show you?

- o A) The bytecode of the program
- o B) The actual assembly code for the current instruction pointer
- o C) The memory dump of the program
- D) The input/output data of the program
- Answer: B) The actual assembly code for the current instruction pointer

#### **Debugging Binaries (Continued):**

#### 11. What is the primary function of a "watchpoint" in debugging?

- o A) To pause execution when a specific instruction is executed
- o B) To pause execution when a specific memory location is accessed or modified
- o C) To display a variable's value at a certain point in execution
- o D) To step over functions without entering them

 Answer: B) To pause execution when a specific memory location is accessed or modified

#### 12. Which of the following commands would you use in GDB to step over a function call?

- o A) next
- o B) step
- o C) continue
- o D) finish
- o **Answer:** A) next

## 13. What does the step command do in debugging?

- o A) It continues execution until the program exits
- o B) It executes the current line of code and steps into any function calls
- o C) It pauses the execution without changing any variables
- o D) It skips over the current line of code
- Answer: B) It executes the current line of code and steps into any function calls

## 14. Which of the following indicates a malicious binary might be using anti-debugging techniques?

- o A) It crashes upon attaching a debugger
- o B) It opens many files in the system
- o C) It communicates over HTTP/HTTPS
- o D) It consumes a high amount of memory
- o **Answer:** A) It crashes upon attaching a debugger

#### 15. In WinDbg, what command would you use to dump the contents of the current stack?

- o A) !dumpstack
- o B) !stack
- o C) dps
- o D)!list
- o **Answer:** C) dps

## **Expanding with More Advanced Topics:**

I'll continue to add more questions to expand into advanced debugging, disassembling packed code, and detecting anti-debugging techniques.

## 16. Which of the following techniques can be used to avoid detection when debugging malware?

- o A) Delaying execution by inserting NOPs
- o B) Using code obfuscation techniques
- o C) Employing encryption techniques to hide code sections
- o D) All of the above
- o Answer: D) All of the above

## 17. What does the ptrace system call allow a debugger to do on Linux?

- o A) Interact with the kernel to perform system-level debugging
- o B) Attach to and control a running process for debugging
- o C) Monitor network traffic
- o D) Analyze memory usage
- o Answer: B) Attach to and control a running process for debugging

#### 18. In IDA Pro, how does the disassembler identify a function in the code?

- o A) By detecting jumps that occur after the CALL instruction
- o B) By identifying API imports
- o C) By examining the binary header
- o D) By checking the function's address in the import table
- Answer: A) By detecting jumps that occur after the CALL instruction

# 19. Which of the following is a common behavior of malware designed to evade sandboxing during debugging?

- o A) It checks for the presence of virtual machines or debuggers
- B) It uses polymorphic techniques to change its behavior
- o C) It terminates itself when it detects the presence of a debugger
- o D) All of the above
- Answer: D) All of the above

## 20. What is one reason why debugging in a virtual machine (VM) might be preferred when analyzing malware?

- o A) It speeds up malware execution
- o B) It isolates the system to prevent damage to the host system
- o C) It prevents malware from using anti-debugging techniques
- o D) It allows malware to run in its native environment

o **Answer:** B) It isolates the system to prevent damage to the host system

#### Disassembly using IDA

## Static Code Analysis (Continued):

#### 21. What is the primary advantage of using the IDA Pro decompiler?

- o A) It translates disassembled code to higher-level language code
- o B) It provides an interactive graphical view of memory
- o C) It allows execution of the program in a safe environment
- o D) It generates network traffic analysis reports
- o **Answer:** A) It translates disassembled code to higher-level language code

## 22. Which feature in IDA Pro helps to analyze code from multiple architectures?

- o A) Cross-architecture debugging
- o B) Processor module support
- o C) Dynamic analysis window
- o D) Interactive disassembly
- o **Answer:** B) Processor module support

## 23. What does "renaming functions" in IDA Pro accomplish?

- o A) Makes the disassembled code easier to understand
- o B) Modifies the actual binary code
- o C) Encrypts the code to avoid detection
- o D) It optimizes the code for better performance
- o **Answer:** A) Makes the disassembled code easier to understand

## 24. How does IDA Pro handle the analysis of obfuscated code?

- o A) Automatically de-obfuscates the code for easy reading
- o B) Uses heuristics to suggest possible code de-obfuscation
- o C) It cannot handle obfuscated code at all
- o D) It provides no solution for obfuscated code
- o **Answer:** B) Uses heuristics to suggest possible code de-obfuscation

### 25. What feature in IDA Pro allows you to trace code execution in a binary at a lower level?

- o A) Graph view
- o B) Interactive debugger
- o C) Hexadecimal disassembly

- o D) Symbol resolution
- o **Answer:** B) Interactive debugger

#### Disassembling Windows API (Continued):

- 21. Which of the following Windows API functions allows a program to allocate memory for use by other programs or for itself?
  - o A) VirtualAllocEx
  - o B) GetProcAddress
  - o C) WriteProcessMemory
  - o D) GetModuleHandle
  - o **Answer:** A) VirtualAllocEx
- 22. When malware uses the CreateFile Windows API function, what is it most likely doing?
  - o A) Writing to a file in a protected location
  - o B) Reading system files
  - o C) Reading or writing data to a file, such as a log or configuration file
  - o D) Creating a new thread in the background
  - Answer: C) Reading or writing data to a file, such as a log or configuration file
- 23. Which function is often used in malicious binaries to execute shell commands on a system?
  - o A) CreateRemoteThread
  - o B) ShellExecuteEx
  - o C) ExitProcess
  - o D) MessageBox
  - Answer: B) ShellExecuteEx
- 24. In malware analysis, what role does the GetProcAddress function typically play?
  - o A) It loads a DLL into memory
  - o B) It retrieves the address of a function from a loaded DLL
  - o C) It creates a process in memory
  - o D) It allocates memory for program use
  - Answer: B) It retrieves the address of a function from a loaded DLL
- 25. What does the GetModuleHandle function in Windows API do?
  - o A) Loads a module into memory
  - o B) Retrieves a handle for a loaded module or DLL

- o C) Modifies the execution permissions of a module
- o D) Unloads a module from memory
- o **Answer:** B) Retrieves a handle for a loaded module or DLL

## **Debugging Malicious Binaries**

## General Concepts of Debugging (Continued):

- 11. Which command in GDB is used to display the current instruction pointer?
  - o A) info registers
  - o B) show ip
  - o C) disassemble
  - o D) next
  - o **Answer:** A) info registers
- 12. In debugging, what does "stepping through" a program mean?
  - o A) Skipping over code to reach the next breakpoint
  - o B) Running the program normally
  - o C) Moving through the program one instruction at a time
  - o D) Changing the execution flow of the program
  - o **Answer:** C) Moving through the program one instruction at a time
- 13. When debugging a binary, why might you use the continue command in a debugger?
  - o A) To move to the next function in the call stack
  - o B) To run the program without stopping at breakpoints
  - o C) To pause the program's execution at a specific point
  - o D) To examine memory usage at runtime
  - Answer: B) To run the program without stopping at breakpoints
- 14. Which of the following debugging tools supports dynamic analysis by monitoring system calls made by a program?
  - o A) GDB
  - o B) Process Monitor (ProcMon)
  - o C) IDA Pro
  - o D) Wireshark
  - Answer: B) Process Monitor (ProcMon)

## 15. What is the function of the "disassembly" view in a debugger?

- o A) It shows the high-level code structure of the program
- o B) It shows the program's instructions in assembly language
- o C) It displays the stack trace and variables used
- o D) It provides a graphical representation of program flow
- Answer: B) It shows the program's instructions in assembly language

## **Debugging Binaries (Continued):**

## 16. What is one way to identify if a binary is using anti-debugging tricks?

- o A) The binary shows abnormal program behavior only when a debugger is attached
- o B) The binary crashes as soon as the debugger starts
- o C) It causes system errors on execution
- o D) All of the above
- o Answer: D) All of the above

#### 17. What does the step command do in most debuggers?

- o A) It skips over the current instruction
- o B) It executes one line of code, including stepping into function calls
- o C) It continues execution without pausing
- D) It shows the system call output in a window
- o **Answer:** B) It executes one line of code, including stepping into function calls

# 18. What is the main purpose of using a debugger like WinDbg or OllyDbg when analyzing a binary?

- o A) To interact with a running program and monitor its behavior
- o B) To statically analyze a program's source code
- C) To decrypt the binary and find hardcoded strings
- o D) To optimize the program for better performance
- Answer: A) To interact with a running program and monitor its behavior

## 19. Which of the following tools can assist in debugging Windows binaries?

- o A) OllyDbg
- o B) GDB
- o C) WinDbg
- o D) All of the above

o **Answer:** D) All of the above

## 20. Why is it important to check the "call stack" while debugging a program?

- o A) To track the origin of a function call and understand program flow
- o B) To find the memory usage at the current point
- o C) To view the system-level events triggered by the program
- o D) To determine which variable is causing the error
- o **Answer:** A) To track the origin of a function call and understand program flow

#### **Final Set of Questions for Completion:**

## 21. What is the primary function of the SetThreadContext function in Windows API?

- o A) To manage thread states during execution
- o B) To stop a running thread
- o C) To modify a thread's context (e.g., registers, stack pointer)
- o D) To create a new thread in a program
- o **Answer:** C) To modify a thread's context (e.g., registers, stack pointer)

#### 22. In a debugger, what is the effect of setting a "conditional breakpoint"?

- o A) It stops the program whenever a certain condition is met
- o B) It pauses execution only at specific function calls
- o C) It tracks the program's resource usage
- o D) It displays memory contents at a specific address
- o **Answer:** A) It stops the program whenever a certain condition is met

## 23. What is the purpose of analyzing the Import Address Table (IAT) during malware analysis?

- o A) To identify which functions the program imports from DLLs
- o B) To check the location of the program's resources
- o C) To analyze the program's system calls
- o D) To determine the entry point of the binary
- Answer: A) To identify which functions the program imports from DLLs

# 24. Which of the following tools would you use to analyze malware that has been obfuscated or packed?

- o A) GDB
- o B) IDA Pro

- o C) OllyDbg
- o D) All of the above
- o **Answer:** D) All of the above

## 25. Which of the following commands in WinDbg can be used to list loaded modules?

- o A) !listmodules
- o B) Im
- o C) !loadmodules
- o D) modules
- o **Answer:** B) Im