Introduction to IDAPython

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Abstract

IDAPython is an extension for *IDA*, the *Interactive Disassembler*. It brings the power and convenience of *Python* scripting to aid in the analysis of binaries. This article will cover some basic usage and provide examples to get interested individuals started. We will walk through practical examples ranging from iterating through functions, segments and instructions to data mining the binaries, collecting references and analyzing their structure.

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Python and IDA

Python is a powerful scripting language which has features greatly appreciated by its followers. Versatility, speed of development and readability are among the top ones.

IDA ,(Datarescue 2005), provides the advanced user with *IDC*, a C-like scripting language to automate some of the tasks of analysis. Yet, compared to *Python*, *IDC* feels clumsy and slow. Many times has the author (and others) wished for something more versatile.

IDAPython, (Erdélyi 2005), was first introduced in an earlier joint paper, (Carrera and Erdélyi 2004), where a general overview was given together with minimal examples comparing *IDC* and equivalent *Python* scripts.

Python goes well beyond the possibilities of *IDC* by providing networking support, avanced I/O and a host of other features not available in *IDC* at all.

In this article, a series of examples will be introduced in order to get acquainted with *IDAPython* and its possibilities.

The examples presented in this paper are known to work with *IDA* 4.8 and *IDAPython* 0.7.0. running under Linux.

IDAPython keeps the same global dictionary regardless of the input method. Whether *Python* code is run from external files or typed in its notepad, the data is persistent. This is extremely convenient as one might want to run a script that will gather and parse certain data but does not yet know, or want to, do anything further with it. Having such data always accessible sets a wonderful environment for poking and tinkering around.

IDAPython provides the full API available to those writing plugins and also the well known *IDC* functions. It's possible to access nearly anything within *IDA*'s database.

Walking the functions

As an introductory script, the first example will loop through all the functions *IDA* has found and any others the user has defined, and will print their effective addresses and names. (The script is nearly identical to one of the examples in (Carrera and Erdélyi 2004))

Walk the functions

```
# Get the segment's starting address
ea = ScreenEA()

# Loop through all the functions
for function_ea in Functions(SegStart(ea), SegEnd(ea)):

# Print the address and the function name.
print hex(function_ea), GetFunctionName(function_ea)
```

Functions such as *ScreenEA* and *GetFunctionName* exist also in *IDC* and documentation for them can be found at .

The functions *Functions()*, is provided by *IDAPython*'s *idautils* module, which is automatically imported on load.

Walking the segments

This example will loop though all segments and fetch their data, byte by byte, storing it in a *Python* string.

```
Going through the segments

segments = dict()

# For each segment
for seg_ea in Segments():

data = []

# For each byte in the address range of the segment
for ea in range(seg_ea, SegEnd(seg_ea)):

# Fetch byte
data.append(chr(Byte(ea)))

# Put the data together
segments[SegName(seg_ea)] = ".join(data)

# Loop through the dictionary and print the segment's names
# and their sizes
for seg_name, seg_data in segments.items():
print seg_name, len(seg_data)
```

The function Segments() is again provided by *idautils*. Byte(), SegEnd() and SegName() exist in IDC and their functionality is quite self-evident.

Function connectivity

The third example is a bit more elaborate. It will go through all the functions and will find all the calls performed to and from each of them. The references will be stored in two dictionaries and, in the end, a list of functions with their indegree and outdegree will be shown.

```
Indegree and outgedree of functions
from sets import Set
# Get the segment's starting address
ea = ScreenEA()
callers = dict()
callees = dict()
# Loop through all the functions
for function ea in Functions(SegStart(ea), SegEnd(ea)):
  f_name = GetFunctionName(function_ea)
  # Create a set with all the names of the functions calling (referring to)
  # the current one.
  callers[f name] = Set(map(GetFunctionName, CodeRefsTo(function ea, 0)))
  # For each of the incoming references
  for ref_ea in CodeRefsTo(function_ea, 0):
     # Get the name of the referring function
     caller name = GetFunctionName(ref ea)
     # Add the current function to the list of functions
     # called by the referring function
     callees[caller name] = callees.get(caller name, Set())
     callees[caller name].add(f name)
# Get the list of all functions
functions = Set(callees.keys()+callers.keys())
# For each of the functions, print the number of functions calling it and
# number of functions being called. In short, indegree and outdegree
for f in functions:
  print '%d:%s:%d' % (len(callers.get(f, [])), f, len(callees.get(f, [])))
```

Walking the instructions

The fourth example will take us to the instruction level. For each segment, we will walk through all the defined elements, by means of *Heads(start address, end address)* and check whether the element defined at each address is an instruction; if so, the mnemonic will be fetched and its occurrence count will be updates in the *mnemonics* dictionary.

Finally, the mnemonics and their number of occurrences are shown.

```
Nmemonics histogram
mnemonics = dict()
# For each of the segments
for seg ea in Segments():
  # For each of the defined elements
  for head in Heads(seg_ea, SegEnd(seg_ea)):
    # If it's an instruction
    if isCode(GetFlags(head)):
       # Get the mnemonic and increment the mnemonic
       # count
       mnem = GetMnem(head)
       mnemonics[mnem] = mnemonics.get(mnem, 0)+1
# Sort the mnemonics by number of occurrences
sorted = map(lambda x:(x[1], x[0]), mnemonics.items())
sorted.sort()
# Print the sorted list
for mnemonic, count in sorted:
  print mnemonic, count
```

Cyclomatic complexity

The next example goes a bit further. It will go through all the functions and for each of them it will compute the *Cyclomatic Complexity*. The *Cyclomatic Complexity* measures the complexity of the code by looking at the nodes and edges (basic blocks and branches) of the graph of a function. It is usually defined as:

$$CC = Edges - Nodes + 2$$

The function *cyclomatic_complexity()* will compute its value, given the function's start address as input.

The example can be run in two different modes. The first one is invoked as usual, through *IDAPython*, by locating the *Python* script and running it. A second way is to launch IDA and make it run the script in batch mode; that will be explored in the next section.

In this example function chunks are not considered. IDA added in recent versions, support for function chunks, which are a result of some compiler's optimization process. It is possible to walk the chunks by using the function API function *func_tail_iterator_t()*. The following code shows how to iterate through the chunks.

Collecting function chunks

```
function_chunks = []
```

#Get the tail iterator

func_iter = func_tail_iterator_t(get_func(ea))

While the iterator s status is valid

status = func_iter.main()

while status:

Get the chunk

chunk = func_iter.chunk()

Store its start and ending address as a tuple function_chunks.append((chunk.startEA, chunk.endEA))

Get the last status

status = func_iter.next()

Cyclomatic Complexity

```
import os
from sets import Set
def cyclomatic_complexity(function_ea):
  """Calculate the cyclomatic complexity measure for a function.
  Given the starting address of a function, it will find all the basic block's boundaries and edges
  between them and will return the cyclomatic complexity, defined as:
     CC = Edges - Nodes + 2
  f_start = function_ea
  f_end = FindFuncEnd(function_ea)
  edges = Set()
  boundaries = Set((f_start,))
  # For each defined element in the function.
  for head in Heads(f_start, f_end):
     # If the element is an instruction
     if isCode(GetFlags(head)):
       # Get the references made from the current instruction and keep only the ones local to
       # the function.
       refs = CodeRefsFrom(head, 0)
       refs = Set(filter(lambda x: x \ge f_start and x \le f_end, refs))
       if refs:
          # If the flow continues also to the next (address-wise) instruction, we add a reference to it.
          # For instance, a conditional jump will not branch if the condition is not met, so we save that
          # reference as well.
          next_head = NextHead(head, f_end)
          if isFlow(GetFlags(next_head)):
            refs.add(next_head)
          # Update the boundaries found so far.
          boundaries.union_update(refs)
          # For each of the references found, and edge is created.
          for r in refs:
            # If the flow could also come from the address previous to the destination of the branching
            # an edge is created.
            if isFlow(GetFlags(r)):
               edges.add((PrevHead(r, f_start), r))
            edges.add((head, r))
  return len(edges) - len(boundaries) + 2
```

Cyclomatic Complexity

```
def do_functions():
  cc_dict = dict()
  # For each of the segments
  for seg_ea in Segments():
     # For each of the functions
     for function_ea in Functions(seg_ea, SegEnd(seg_ea)):
       cc_dict[GetFunctionName(function_ea)] = cyclomatic_complexity(function_ea)
  return cc_dict
# Wait until IDA has done all the analysis tasks.
# If loaded in batch mode, the script will be run before everything is finished, so the script will explicitly
# wait until the autoanalysis is done.
autoWait()
# Collect data
cc_dict = do_functions()
# Get the list of functions and sort it.
functions = cc_dict.keys()
functions.sort()
ccs = cc_dict.values()
# If the environment variable IDAPYTHON exists and its value is 'auto' the results will be appended
# to a data file and the script will quit IDA. Otherwise it will just output the results
if os.getenv('IDAPYTHON') == 'auto':
  results = file('example5.dat', 'a+')
  results.write('%3.4f,%03d,%03d %s\n' % (
     sum(ccs)/float(len(ccs)), max(ccs), min(ccs), GetInputFile()))
  results.close()
  Exit(0)
else:
  # Print the cyclomatic complexity for each of the functions.
  for f in functions:
     print f, cc_dict[f]
  # Print the maximum, minimum and average cyclomatic complexity.
  print 'Max: %d, Min: %d, Avg: %f' % (max(ccs), min(ccs), sum(ccs)/float(len(ccs)))
```

Automating IDA through IDAPython

As mentioned in the last section, the previous example has a a second way of operating. *IDAPython* now supports to run *Python* scripts on start up, from the command line. Such functionality comes handy, to say the least, when analyzing a set of binaries in batch mode.

The switch -OIDAPython:/path/to/python/script.py can be used to tell IDAPython which script to run. Another switch which might come handy is -A which will instruct IDA to run in batch mode, not asking anything, just performing the auto-analysis.

With those two options combined it is possible to auto-analyze a binary and run a *Py-thon* script to perform some mining. A function which will be usually required is *autoWait()* which will instruct the *Python* script to wait until *IDA* is done performing the analysis. It is a good idea to call it in the beginning of any script.

To analyze a bunch of files a command like the following could be entered (if working in Bash on Linux).

for virus in virus/*.idb; do IDAPYTHON='auto' idal -A -OIDAPython:example5.py \$virus; done

It will go through all the .idb files in the virus/directory and will invoke idal which each of them, running the script example5.py on load.

The script is the one in the last example. If it finds the environment variable *IDAPY-THON*, it will just collect the data and append it to a file instead of showing it in IDA's messages window. Subsequently it will call *Exit()* to close the database and quit.

It would be equally easy to batch mode analyze a set of executables. If *IDB* files are given, *IDA* will just load them and no auto-analysis will be performed; otherwise, if a binary file is provided the analysis will be done and the script run once finished.

All this allows for a good degree of automation in analysis of a set of binaries. For instance, the next table is the output of running the previous script on a bunch of malware *IDBs*. A nice feature is to see the clear clustering of the families by their cyclomatic complexity features.

Output of running the example in batch mode on a set of malware binaries.

Comple	Cyclometic complexity
Sample	Cyclomatic complexity
	Avg, Max, Min, Filename
Klez	7.4197,148,001 klez_a.ex 7.4975,148,001 klez_b.ex 7.5972,148,001 klez_c.ex 7.5972,148,001 klez_d.ex 7.0349,148,001 klez_e.ex 7.0502,148,001 klez_f.ex 7.0502,148,001 klez_g.ex 7.0573,148,001 klez_h.ex 7.0573,148,001 klez_i.ex 7.0502,148,001 klez-j.ex
Mimail	3.2190,052,001 mimailA.ex1.unp 3.2353,052,001 mimailB.ex_ 3.2313,052,001 mimailC.ex1.unp 3.4148,052,001 mimailD.ex_ 2.8110,052,001 mimailE.ex1.unp 2.7953,052,001 mimailF.ex1.unp 2.7638,052,001 mimailG.ex1.unp 2.7874,052,001 mimailH.ex1.unp 2.8376,052,001 mimailJ.ex 2.8984,052,001 mimailJ.ex_ 2.8984,052,001 mimailJ.ex 2.8984,052,001 mimail-m_u.ex 3.4375,052,001 outlookdmp 3.1138,052,001 mimail-s_u.ex
Sasser	6.5301,039,001 sasser.avpe 6.5422,039,001 sasser-b.avpe 6.6098,039,001 sasser-c.avpe 6.5955,041,001 sasser-d.ex_unp.exe 6.5444,041,001 sasser-e.unp 6.8452,041,001 sasser-f.unp 8.0000,041,001 sasser-g.unp
Netsky	7.3505,041,001 netskyaa.unp 7.4947,041,001 netsky_unk.unp 7.1667,041,001 netsky_ac.ex_unp 5.9694,051,001 Netsky.AD.unp 7.3125,041,001 virus.ex1.unp 7.2478,041,001 your_details.doc.exe.2.unp 8.0407,123,001 userconfig9x.dl.1.unp 7.9068,041,001 netsky-q-dll.unp 7.9068,041,001 netsky-q-dll.unp 7.5702,041,001 netsky-r-dll_unpexe 7.5657,041,001 list0_unppif 7.5743,041,001 private.unp.pi_ 7.5268,041,001 netsky_v_unpexe 7.8824,041,001 netsky-w.unp 6.8165,041,001 netsky.pif.2.unp

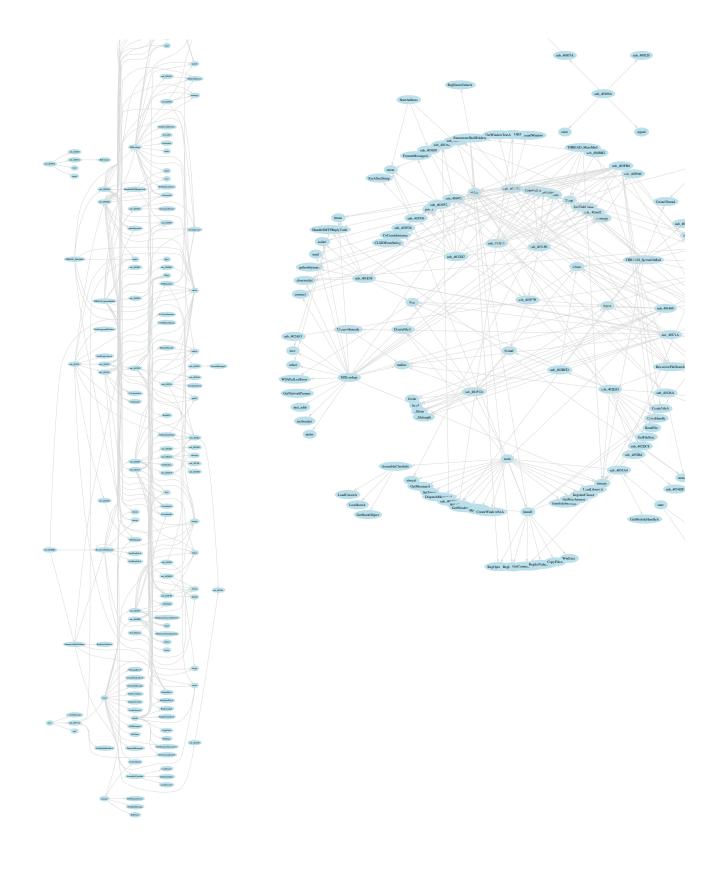
Visualizing binaries

This example is based on the one collecting the indegrees and outdegree of all functions. This time, we will use that information to generate a graph of the call-tree and plot it using *pydot*, (Carrera 2005a); a package to interface *Graphviz*, (Ellson et al. 2005).

The code follows, the only changes from the example it is based on, are the lines creating the graph, setting some defaults and then adding the edges.

```
Visualizing binaries
from sets import Set
import pydot
# Get the segment's starting address
ea = ScreenEA()
callees = dict()
# Loop through all the functions
for function_ea in Functions(SegStart(ea), SegEnd(ea)):
  f_name = GetFunctionName(function_ea)
  # For each of the incoming references
  for ref_ea in CodeRefsTo(function_ea, 0):
     # Get the name of the referring function
    caller name = GetFunctionName(ref ea)
     # Add the current function to the list of functions called by the referring function
    callees[caller_name] = callees.get(caller_name, Set())
    callees[caller_name].add(f_name)
# Create graph
g = pydot.Dot(type='digraph')
# Set some defaults
g.set_rankdir('LR')
g.set_size('11,11')
g.add_node(pydot.Node('node', shape='ellipse', color='lightblue', style='filled'))
g.add_node(pydot.Node('edge', color='lightgrey'))
# Get the list of all functions
functions = callees.keys()
# For each of the functions and each of the called ones, add the corresponding edges.
for f in functions:
  if callees.has_key(f):
    for f2 in callees[f]:
       g.add_edge(pydot.Edge(f, f2))
# Write the output to a Postscript file
g.write_ps('example6.ps')
```

Some examples output is shown next, the different plots are obtained by using the different plotting utilities provided by *Graphviz*.



Projects using *IDAPython*

It might be also useful to check some already existing projects based solely on *IDAPy-thon*. Some of them are:

- idb2reml, (Carrera 2005); will export *IDB* information to a XML format, *REML* (ReverseEngineering ML)
- pyreml, (Carrera 2005a); loads the *REML* produced by idb2reml and provides a set of functions to perform advanced analysis.

Function Reference

AddEntryPoint()

```
Add entry point
      ordinal - entry point number
                  if entry point doesn't have an ordinal
                  number, 'ordinal' should be equal to 'ea'
               - address of the entry point
               - name of the entry point. If null string,
      name
                  the entry point won't be renamed.
     makecode - if 1 then this entry point is a start
                  of a function. Otherwise it denotes data bytes.
      returns:
                      0 - entry point with the specifed ordinal already
                  exists
                  1 - ok
AddHotkey()
Add hotkey for IDC function
      Arguments:
      hotkey - hotkey name ('a', "Alt-A", etc)
      idcfunc - IDC function name
            GUI version doesn't support hotkeys
      Returns: -
AltOp()
Get manually entered operand string
      Arguments:
      ea - linear address
      n - number of operand:
           0 - the first operand
           1 - the second operand
      Returns: string or None if it fails
```

AnalyseArea()

```
Perform full analysis of the area
      Arguments:
      sEA - starting linear address
      eEA - ending linear address (excluded)
      Returns: 1-ok, 0-Ctrl-Break was pressed.
AskAddr()
Ask the user to enter an address
     Arguments:
      defval - the default address value. This value
               will appear in the dialog box.
      prompt - the prompt to display in the dialog box
      Returns: the entered address or BADADDR.
AskFile()
Ask the user to choose a file
      Arguments:
      forsave - 0: "Open" dialog box, 1: "Save" dialog box
              - the input file mask as "*.*" or the default file name.
      prompt - the prompt to display in the dialog box
      Returns: the selected file or 0.
AskIdent()
Ask the user to enter an identifier
      Arguments:
      defval - the default identifier. This value will appear in
               the dialog box.
      prompt - the prompt to display in the dialog box
      Returns: the entered identifier or 0.
```

AskLong()

Ask the user to enter a number

```
Arguments:
      defval - the default value. This value
               will appear in the dialog box.
      prompt - the prompt to display in the dialog box
      Returns: the entered number or -1.
AskSeg()
Ask the user to enter a segment value
      Arguments:
      defval - the default value. This value
               will appear in the dialog box.
      prompt - the prompt to display in the dialog box
      Returns: the entered segment selector or BADSEL.
AskSelector()
Get a selector value
      sel - the selector number (16bit value)
                      selector value if found
      returns:
                  otherwise the input value (sel)
      note:
                      selector values are always in paragraphs
AskStr()
Ask the user to enter a string
      Arguments:
      defval - the default string value. This value will appear
               in the dialog box.
      prompt - the prompt to display in the dialog box
     Returns: the entered string or 0.
      FIXME: Doublecheck the history type
AskYN()
Ask the user a question and let him answer Yes/No/Cancel
     Arguments:
```

```
efval - the default answer. This answer will be selected if the user
    presses Enter. -1:cancel,0-no,1-ok
prompt - the prompt to display in the dialog box

Returns: -1:cancel,0-no,1-ok
```

AutoMark()

Plan to analyse an address

AutoMark2()

Plan to perform an action in the future.

This function will put your request to a special autoanalysis queue. Later IDA will retrieve the request from the queue and process it. There are several autoanalysis queue types. IDA will process all queries from the first queue and then switch to the second queue, etc.

AutoUnmark()

Remove range of addresses from a queue.

Batch()

Enable/disable batch mode of operation

```
Arguments:
```

batch - Batch mode

0 - ida will display dialog boxes and wait for the user input

1 - ida will not display dialog boxes, warnings, etc.

Returns: old balue of batch flag

Byte()

```
Get value of program byte
```

ea - linear address

returns: value of byte. If byte has no value then returns 0xFFIf the current byte size is different from 8 bits, then the returned value

might have more 1's.

To check if a byte has a value, use functions has Value (Get-

Flags(ea))

Choose()

```
Choose - class for choose() with callbacks
ChooseFunction()
Ask the user to select a function
      Arguments:
      title - title of the dialog box
      Returns: -1 - user refused to select a function
               otherwise returns the selected function start address
CodeRefsFrom()
Get a list of code references from 'ea'
          - Target address
      flow - 0 - don't follow normal code flow
           - 1 - follow code flow
      Return: list of references (may be empty list)
CodeRefsTo()
Get a list of code references to 'ea'
      ea - Target address
      flow - 0 - don't follow normal code flow
           - 1 - follow code flow
      Return: list of references (may be empty list)
Comment()
Get regular indented comment
      Arguments:
      ea - linear address
      Returns: string or None if it fails
DataRefsFrom()
```

```
Get a list of data references from 'ea'
      ea - Target address
      Return: list of references (may be empty list)
DataRefsTo()
Get a list of data references to 'ea'
      ea - Target address
      Return: list of references (may be empty list)
DelCodeXref()
Unmark exec flow 'from' 'to'
      undef - make 'To' undefined if no more references to it
      returns 1 - planned to be made undefined
DelExtLnA()
Delete an additional anterior line
      Arguments:
           - linear address
           - number of anterior additioal line (0..500)
      Returns: -
DelExtLnB()
Delete an additional posterior line
      Arguments:
          - linear address
      ea
           - number of posterior additioal line (0..500)
      Returns: -
DelFixup()
Delete fixup information
```

```
ea - address to delete fixup information about
     returns:
                    none
DelFunction()
Delete a function
     ea - any address belonging to the function
                    !=0 - ok
     returns:
DelHiddenArea()
Delete a hidden area
     Arguments:
     ea - any address belonging to the hidden area
     Returns: !=0 - ok
DelHotkey()
Delete IDC function hotkey
     Arguments:
     hotkey - hotkey code to delete
DelSelector()
Delete a selector
     sel - the selector number to delete
     returns:
                    nothing
                    if the selector is found, it will be deleted
     note:
Demangle()
Demangle a name
     name - name to demangle
     disable mask - a mask that tells how to demangle the name
                 it is a good idea to get this mask using
                 GetLongPrm(INF_SHORT_DN) or GetLongPrm(INF_LONG_DN)
```

```
Returns: a demangled name
            If the input name cannot be demangled, returns 0
Dfirst()
Get first referred address
DfirstB()
Get first referee address
Dword()
Get value of program double word (4 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      returns: the value of the double word. If double word has no value
            then returns 0xFFFFFFF.
Exec()
Execute an OS command.
      Arguments:
      command - command line to execute
      Returns: error code from OS
      Note:
      IDA will wait for the started program to finish.
      In order to start the command in parallel, use OS methods.
      For example, you may start another program in parallel using "start"
command.
Exit()
Stop execution of IDC program, close the database and exit to OS
      Arguments:
      code - code to exit with.
      Returns: -
```

ExtLinA()

```
Specify an additional line to display before the generated ones.
     Arguments:
     ea
          - linear address
          - number of anterior additioal line (0..MAX ITEM LINES)
     line - the line to display
     Returns: -
     Notes:
      IDA displays additional lines from number 0 up to the first unexisting
      additional line. So, if you specify additional line #150 and there is
no
      additional line #149, your line will not be displayed. MAX_ITEM_LINES
is
     defined in IDA.CFG
ExtLinB()
Specify an additional line to display after the generated ones.
     Arguments:
          - linear address
          - number of posterior additioal line (0..MAX ITEM LINES)
     line - the line to display
     Returns: -
     IDA displays additional lines from number 0 up to the first unexisting
      additional line. So, if you specify additional line #150 and there is
no
     additional line #149, your line will not be displayed. MAX ITEM LINES
is
     defined in IDA.CFG
Fatal()
Display a fatal message in a message box and quit IDA
     format - message to print
FindFuncEnd()
# *************
# ** Determine a new function boundaries
# **
```

ea - starting address of a new function

arguments:

```
# returns: if a function already exists, then return
its end address.
# if a function end cannot be determined,
the return BADADDR
otherwise return the end address of the new function
```

FindSelector()

```
Find a selector which has the specifed value

val - value to search for

returns:

16bit selector number if found
otherwise the input value (val 0xFFFF)

note:

selector values are always in paragraphs
```

FirstSeg()

```
Get first segment

returns: linear address of the start of the first segment

BADADDR - no segments are defined
```

Functions()

```
Get a list of functions
In:
    start - start address
    end - end address

Return:
    list of heads between start and end
    Note:
    The last function that starts before 'end' is included even if it extends beyond 'end'.
```

GetBmaskCmt()

```
enum_id - id of enum
            - bitmask of the constant
      repeatable - type of comment, 0-regular, 1-repeatable
      Returns: comment attached to bitmask if it exists.
              otherwise returns 0.
      FIXME: Check the return value
GetBmaskName()
Get bitmask name (only for bitfields)
     Arguments:
      enum_id - id of enum
            - bitmask of the constant
      Returns: name of bitmask if it exists. otherwise returns 0.
      FIXME: Check the return value
GetConstBmask()
Get bit mask of symbolic constant
      Arguments:
      const_id - id of symbolic constant
      Returns: bitmask of constant or 0
               ordinary enums have bitmask = -1
GetConstByName()
Get member of enum - a symbolic constant ID
      Arguments:
      name - name of symbolic constant
      Returns: ID of constant or -1
      FIXME: Need to check the return type!
GetConstCmt()
Get comment of a constant
      Arguments:
```

```
const_id - id of const
      repeatable - 0:get regular comment
                   1:get repeatable comment
      Returns: comment string
GetConstEnum()
Get id of enum by id of constant
      Arguments:
      const_id - id of symbolic constant
     Returns: id of enum the constant belongs to.
            -1 if const id is bad.
GetConstEx()
Get id of constant
      Arguments:
      enum_id - id of enum
      value - value of constant
      serial - serial number of the constant in the
                enumeration. See OpEnumEx() for details.
      bmask
             - bitmask of the constant
                ordinary enums accept only -1 as a bitmask
      Returns: id of constant or -1 if error
GetConstName()
Get name of a constant
     Arguments:
      const_id - id of const
      Returns: name of constant
GetConstValue()
Get value of symbolic constant
      Arguments:
      const id - id of symbolic constant
```

Returns: value of constant or 0

GetDouble()

```
Get value of a floating point number (8 bytes)
     Arguments:
      ea - linear address
      Returns: double
GetEntryOrdinal()
Retrieve entry point ordinal number
      index - 0..GetEntryPointQty()-1
      returns:
                      0 if entry point doesn't exist
                  otherwise entry point ordinal
GetEntryPoint()
Retrieve entry point address
      ordinal - entry point number
            it is returned by GetEntryPointOrdinal()
                      -1 if entry point doesn't exist
      returns:
                  otherwise entry point address.
                  If entry point address is equal to its ordinal
                  number, then the entry point has no ordinal.
GetEntryPointQty()
retrieve number of entry points
      returns:
                      number of entry points
GetEnum()
Get enum ID by the name of enum
      Arguments:
```

ID of enum or -1 if no such enum exists

GetEnumCmt()

returns:

name - name of enum

```
Get comment of enum
      Arguments:
                - ID of enum
      enum_id
      repeatable - 0:get regular comment
                   1:get repeatable comment
                      comment of enum
      Returns:
GetEnumFlag()
Get flag of enum
      Arguments:
      enum id - ID of enum
      Returns: flags of enum. These flags determine representation
               of numeric constants (binary,octal,decimal,hex)
             in the enum definition. See start of this file for
             more information about flags.
             Returns 0 if enum id is bad.
GetEnumldx()
Get serial number of enum by its ID
      Arguments:
      enum_id - ID of enum
                      (0..GetEnumQty()-1) or -1 if error
      Returns:
GetEnumName()
Get name of enum
      Arguments:
      enum_id - ID of enum
      Returns:
                      name of enum or empty string
GetEnumQty()
Get number of enum types
      Arguments:
                      none
```

number of enumerations

Returns:

GetEnumSize()

```
Get size of enum
     Arguments:
      enum id - ID of enum
      Returns: number of constants in the enum
                Returns 0 if enum id is bad.
GetFirstBmask()
Get first bitmask in the enum (bitfield)
      Arguments:
      enum id - id of enum (bitfield)
      Returns: the smallest bitmask of constant or -1
               no bitmasks are defined yet
               All bitmasks are sorted by their values
               as unsigned longs.
GetFirstConst()
Get first constant in the enum
      Arguments:
      enum_id - id of enum
              - bitmask of the constant
                ordinary enums accept only -1 as a bitmask
      returns: value of constant or -1 no constants are defined
               All constants are sorted by their values as unsigned longs.
GetFirstStrucldx()
Get index of first structure type
      In: none
                      -1 if no structure type is defined
      returns:
                    index of first structure type.
                    Each structure type has an index and ID.
                    INDEX determines position of structure definition
                    in the list of structure definitions. Index 1
                    is listed first, after index 2 and so on.
                    The index of a structure type can be changed any
```

time, leading to movement of the structure definition

in the list of structure definitions. ID uniquely denotes a structure type. A structure gets a unique ID at the creation time and this ID can't be changed. Even when the structure type gets deleted, its ID won't be resued in the future.

GetFixupTgtDispl()

```
Get fixup target displacement

ea - address to get information about

returns: -1 - no fixup at the specified address

otherwise returns fixup target displacement
```

GetFixupTgtOff()

```
Get fixup target offset

ea - address to get information about

returns: -1 - no fixup at the specified address

otherwise returns fixup target offset
```

GetFixupTgtSel()

```
Get fixup target selector

ea - address to get information about

returns: -1 - no fixup at the specified address

otherwise returns fixup target selector
```

GetFixupTgtType()

```
Get fixup target type

ea - address to get information about

returns: -1 - no fixup at the specified address

otherwise returns fixup target type:
```

GetFlags()

```
Get internal flags
ea - linear address
```

```
returns: 32-bit value of internal flags. See start of IDC.IDC file for explanations.
```

GetFloat()

```
Get value of a floating point number (4 bytes)

Arguments:
ea - linear address

Returns: float
```

GetFunctionCmt()

```
Retrieve function comment

ea - any address belonging to the function repeatable - 1: get repeatable comment

0: get regular comment

returns: function comment string
```

GetFunctionFlags()

```
Retrieve function flags
```

```
arguments: ea - any address belonging to the function
```

returns: -1 - function doesn't exist otherwise returns the flags

GetFunctionName()

```
Retrieve function name

ea - any address belonging to the function

returns: null string - function doesn't exist otherwise returns function name
```

GetIdaDirectory()

```
Get IDA directory
```

This function returns the directory where IDA.EXE resides

GetIdbPath()

```
Get IDB full path
```

This function returns full path of the current IDB database

GetInputFile()

```
Get input file name
```

This function returns name of the file being disassembled

GetInputFilePath()

```
Get input file path
```

This function returns the full path of the file being disassembled

GetLastBmask()

```
Get last bitmask in the enum (bitfield)
```

Arguments:

```
enum_id - id of enum
```

Returns: the biggest bitmask or -1 no bitmasks are defined yet

All bitmasks are sorted by their values as unsigned longs.

GetLastConst()

```
Get last constant in the enum
```

Arguments:

```
enum id - id of enum
```

bmask - bitmask of the constant

ordinary enums accept only -1 as a bitmask

Returns: value of constant or -1 no constants are defined All constants are sorted by their values as unsigned longs.

GetLastStrucldx()

```
Get index of last structure type
```

Arguments:

none

returns: -1 if no structure type is defined

index of last structure type.

See GetFirstStrucIdx() for the explanation of

structure indices and IDs.

GetManualInsn()

Get manual representation of instruction

ea - linear address

This function returns value set by SetManualInsn earlier.

GetMnem()

Get instruction mnemonics

ea - linear address of instruction

returns: "" - no instruction at the specified location

note: this function may not return exactly the same mnemonics as you see on the screen.

GetNextBmask()

Get next bitmask in the enum (bitfield)

Arguments:

enum_id - id of enum

bmask - value of the current bitmask

Returns: value of a bitmask with value higher than the specified

value. -1 if no such bitmasks exist.
All bitmasks are sorted by their values

as unsigned longs.

GetNextConst()

Get next constant in the enum

Arguments:

enum_id - id of enum

bmask - bitmask of the constant

ordinary enums accept only -1 as a bitmask

value - value of the current constant

Returns: value of a constant with value higher than the specified value. -1 no such constants exist.

All constants are sorted by their values as unsigned longs.

GetNextFixupEA()

Find next address with fixup information

ea - current address

returns: -1 - no more fixups otherwise returns the next address with fixup information

GetNextStrucIdx()

Get index of next structure type

Arguments:

index - current structure index

Returns: -1 if no (more) structure type is defined

index of the next structure type.

See GetFirstStrucIdx() for the explanation of

structure indices and IDs.

GetOpType()

Get type of instruction operand

ea - linear address of instruction

n - number of operand:

0 - the first operand

1 - the second operand

Returns:

- -1 bad operand number passed
- 0 None
- 1 General Register
- 2 Memory Reference
- 3 Base + Index
- 4 Base + Index + Displacement
- 5 Immediate
- 6 Immediate Far Address (with a Segment Selector)
- 7 Immediate Near Address

PC:

- 8 386 Trace register
- 9 386 Debug register
- 10 386 Control register
- 11 FPP register
- 12 MMX register

```
8051:
              bit
      8
              /bit
      10
              bit
80196:
      8
              [intmem]
              [intmem]+
      10
              offset[intmem]
      11
              bit
ARM:
      8
              shifted register
      9
              MLA operands
      10
              register list (for LDM/STM)
              coprocessor register list (for CDP)
      11
      12
              coprocessor register (for LDC/STC)
PPC:
      8
              SPR
      9
              2 FPRs
      10
              SH MB ME
      11
              CR field
      12
              CR bit
TMS320C5:
              bit
      8
      9
              bit not
      10
              condition
TMS320C6:
              register pair (A1:A0..B15:B14)
Z8:
              @intmem
      9
              @Rx
Z80:
              condition
```

GetOperandValue()

```
Get number used in the operand
```

This function returns an immediate number used in the operand

```
Arguments:
```

```
ea - linear address of instruction
n - number of operand:
    0 - the first operand
    1 - the second operand
```

Returns: value

If the operand doesn't contain a number, it returns -1.

GetOpnd()

```
Get operand of an instruction
      ea - linear address of instruction
      n - number of operand:
            0 - the first operand
            1 - the second operand
      returns: the current text representation of operand
GetOriginalByte()
Get original value of program byte
      ea - linear address
      returns: the original value of byte before any patch applied to it
GetPrevBmask()
Get prev bitmask in the enum (bitfield)
      Arguments:
      enum id - id of enum
            - value of the current bitmask
      Returns: value of a bitmask with value lower than the specified
               value. -1 no such bitmasks exist.
               All bitmasks are sorted by their values as unsigned longs.
GetPrevConst()
Get prev constant in the enum
```

```
Arguments:
```

```
enum_id - id of enum
```

bmask - bitmask of the constant

ordinary enums accept only -1 as a bitmask

value - value of the current constant

Returns: value of a constant with value lower than the specified value. -1 no such constants exist.

All constants are sorted by their values as unsigned longs.

GetPrevFixupEA()

Find previous address with fixup information

```
ea - current address
```

returns: -1 - no more fixups otherwise returns the previous address with fixup information

GetPrevStrucIdx()

Get index of previous structure type

Arguments: current structure index

Returns: -1 if no (more) structure type is defined

index of the presiouvs structure type.
See GetFirstStrucIdx() for the explanation of

structure indices and IDs.

GetStringType()

Get string type

ea - linear address

Returns one of ASCSTR_... constants

GetStrucComment()

Get structure type comment

Arguments:

id - structure type ID

repeatable - 1: get repeatable comment

0: get regular comment

Returns: null string if bad structure type ID is passed

otherwise returns comment.

GetStrucIdByName()

Get structure ID by structure name

Arguments: structure type name

Returns: -1 if bad structure type name is passed

otherwise returns structure ID.

GetStrucldx()

Get structure index by structure ID

Arguments: structure ID

Returns: -1 if bad structure ID is passed

otherwise returns structure index.

See GetFirstStrucIdx() for the explanation of

structure indices and IDs.

GetStrucName()

Get structure type name

Arguments: structure type ID

Returns: -1 if bad structure type ID is passed

otherwise returns structure type name.

GetStrucQty()

Get number of defined structure types

In:
none

returns: number of structure types

GetTrueName()

Get true name of program byte

This function returns name of byte as is without any replacements.

ea - linear address

returns: "" - byte has no name

GetTrueNameEx()

Get true name of program byte

This function returns name of byte as is without any replacements.

from - the referring address.

Allows to retrieve local label addresses in functions.

If a local name is not found, then a global name is returned.

ea - linear address

returns: "" - byte has no name

GetnEnum()

```
Get ID of the specified enum by its serial number
     Arguments:
      idx - number of enum (0..GetEnumQty()-1)
                     ID of enum or -1 if error
      Returns:
Heads()
Get a list of heads (instructions or data)
      In:
      start - start address (this one is always included)
      end - end address
      Return:
      list of heads between start and end
HideArea()
Hide an area
      Hidden areas - address ranges which can be replaced by their descrip-
tions
      arguments:
      start, end - area boundaries
      description - description to display if the area is collapsed
      header
                 - header lines to display if the area is expanded
      footer
                 - footer lines to display if the area is expanded
      visible
                 - the area state
      Returns: !=0 - ok
INFMAP
dict() -> new empty dictionary.
dict(mapping) -> new dictionary initialized from a mapping object's
    (key, value) pairs.
dict(seq) -> new dictionary initialized as if via:
    d = \{\}
    for k, v in seq:
       d[k] = v
```

```
dict(**kwargs) -> new dictionary initialized with the name=value pairs
    in the keyword argument list. For example: dict(one=1, two=2)
ItemEnd()
Get address of the end of the item (instruction or data)
      ea - linear address
      returns: address past end of the item at 'ea'
ItemSize()
Get size of instruction or data item in bytes
      ea - linear address
      returns: 1..n
Jump()
Move cursor to the specifed linear address
      ea - linear address
LineA()
Get anterior line
      Arguments:
      ea - linear address
      num - number of anterior line (0..MAX ITEM LINES)
            MAX_ITEM_LINES is defined in IDA.CFG
      Returns: anterior line string
LineB()
Get posterior line
      Arguments:
      ea - linear address
      num - number of posterior line (0..MAX_ITEM_LINES)
      Returns: posterior line string
```

LocByName()

```
Get linear address of a name

name - name of program byte

Returns: address of the name
badaddr - no such name

LocByNameEx()

Get linear address of a name
```

name - name of program byte

Returns: address of the name (BADADDR - no such name)

fromaddr - the referring address. Allows to retrieve local label

then address of a global name is returned.

addresses in functions. If a local name is not found,

MK_FP()

Return value of expression: ((seq4) + off)

MakeAlign()

Convert the current item to an alignment directive

```
ea - linear address
count - number of bytes to convert
align - 0 or 1..32
```

if it is 0, the correct alignment will be calculated by the kernel

returns: 1-ok, 0-failure

MakeArray()

Create an array.

```
ea - linear address
nitems - size of array in items
```

This function will create an array of the items with the same type as the type of the item at 'ea'. If the byte at 'ea' is undefined, then this function will create an array of bytes.

```
MakeByte()
```

```
Convert the current item to a byte
      ea - linear address
      returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
MakeCode()
Create an instruction at the specified address
      ea - linear address
     Returns: 0 - can not create an instruction (no such opcode, the in-
struction
      would overlap with existing items, etc) otherwise returns length of the
      instruction in bytes
MakeComm()
Set an indented regular comment of an item
            - linear address
      comment - comment string
MakeDouble()
Convert the current item to a double floating point (8 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
MakeDword()
Convert the current item to a double word (4 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
MakeFloat()
Convert the current item to a floating point (4 bytes)
      ea - linear address
```

```
returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
```

MakeFunction()

```
Create a function
     start, end - function bounds
     If the function end address is BADADDR, then
     IDA will try to determine the function bounds
     automatically. IDA will define all necessary
     instructions to determine the function bounds.
                    !=0 - ok
     returns:
     Note:
                     an instruction should be present at the start address
MakeName()
Rename a byte
     ea - linear address
     name - new name of address. If name == "", then delete old name
     returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
MakeOword()
Convert the current item to a octa word (16 bytes)
     ea - linear address
     returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
MakePackReal()
Convert the current item to a packed real (10 or 12 bytes)
     ea - linear address
     returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
     FIXME: the size needs to be adjusted to IDP.hpp
```

MakeQword()

```
Convert the current item to a quadro word (8 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
MakeRptCmt()
Set an indented repeatable comment of an item
             - linear address
      comment - comment string
MakeStr()
Create a string.
      This function creates a string (the string type is determined by the
      value of GetLongPrm(INF_STRTYPE))
            - linear address
      endea - ending address of the string (excluded)
            if endea == BADADDR, then length of string will be calculated
            by the kernel
      returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
      Note: the type of an existing string is returned by GetStringType()
MakeTbyte()
Convert the current item to a tbyte (10 or 12 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
      FIXME: the size needs to be adjusted to IDP.hpp
MakeUnkn()
Convert the current item to an explored item
             - linear address
      expand - 0: just undefine the current item
                   1: undefine other instructions if the removal of the
                        current instruction removes all references to them.
```

Note: functions will not be undefined even if they have no references to them

MakeVar()

tution

```
Mark the location as "variable"
      Arguments:
      ea - address to mark
      Returns: -
      Note: All that IDA does is to mark the location as "variable".
      Nothing else, no additional analysis is performed.
      This function may disappear in the future.
MakeWord()
Convert the current item to a word (2 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
Message()
Display a message in the messages window
     msg - message to print (formatting is done in Python)
      This function can be used to debug IDC scripts
Message()
Display a message in the messages window
     msg - message to print (formatting is done in Python)
      This function can be used to debug IDC scripts
Name()
Get visible name of program byte
      This function returns name of byte as it is displayed on the screen.
      If a name contains illegal characters, IDA replaces them by the substi-
```

character during displaying. See IDA.CFG for the definition of the substitution character.

```
ea - linear address

Returns: "" - byte has no name
```

NameEx()

Get visible name of program byte

This function returns name of byte as it is displayed on the screen. If a name contains illegal characters, IDA replaces them by the substitution character during displaying. See IDA.CFG for the definition of the substitution character.

Arguments:

NextAddr()

```
Get next addresss in the program

ea - linear address

returns: BADADDR - the specified address in the last used address
```

NextFunction()

```
Find next function

ea - any address belonging to the function

returns: -1 - no more functions

otherwise returns the next function start address
```

NextHead()

```
Get next defined item (instruction or data) in the program
ea - linear address to start search from
maxea - the search will stop at the address
```

```
returns: BADADDR - no (more) defined items
NextNotTail()
Get next not-tail address in the program
      This function searches for the next displayable address in the program.
      The tail bytes of instructions and data are not displayable.
      ea - linear address
      returns: BADADDR - no (more) not-tail addresses
NextSeg()
Get next segment
      ea - linear address
     returns: start of the next segment
            BADADDR - no next segment
OpAlt()
Specify operand represenation manually.
      (for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
      str - a string represenation of the operand
      Note:
      IDA will not check the specified operand, it will simply display
      it instead of the orginal representation of the operand.
OpBinary()
Convert an operand of the item (instruction or data) to a binary number
      ea - linear address
      n - number of operand
             0 - the first operand
             1 - the second, third and all other operands
            -1 - all operands
      Returns: 1-ok, 0-failure
      Note: the data items use only the type of the first operand
```

maxea is not included in the search range

OpChr()

See explanation to Opbinary functions.

OpDecimal()

See explanation to Opbinary functions.

OpEnumEx()

```
Convert operand to a symbolic constant
```

```
(for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
```

enumid - id of enumeration type

serial - serial number of the constant in the enumeration

The serial numbers are used if there are more than
one symbolic constant with the same value in the
enumeration. In this case the first defined constant
get the serial number 0, then second 1, etc.
There could be 256 symbolic constants with the same
value in the enumeration.

OpHex()

See explanation to Opbinary functions.

OpNot()

```
Toggle the bitwise not operator for the operand

(for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
```

OpNumber()

```
Convert operand to a number (with default number base, radix)
```

```
(for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
```

OpOctal()

Convert an operand of the item (instruction or data) to an octal number (see explanation to Opbinary functions)

OpOff()

```
Convert operand to an offset
      Arguments:
      (for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
    base - base of the offset as a linear address
             If base == BADADDR then the current operand becomes non-offset
      Example:
         seq000:2000 dw
                             1234h
         and there is a segment at paragraph 0x1000 and there is a data item
         within the segment at 0x1234:
         seq000:1234 MyString
                                     db 'Hello, world!',0
         Then you need to specify a linear address of the segment base to
         create a proper offset:
           OpOffset(["seg000",0x2000],0,0x10000);
         and you will have:
           seq000:2000 dw
                               offset MyString
      Motorola 680x0 processor have a concept of "outer offsets".
      If you want to create an outer offset, you need to combine number
      of the operand with the following bit:
```

Please note that the outer offsets are meaningful only for

OpOffEx()

Motorola 680x0.

```
Convert operand to a complex offset expression
      This is a more powerful version of OpOff() function.
      It allows to explicitly specify the reference type (off8,off16, etc)
      and the expression target with a possible target delta.
      The complex expressions are represented by IDA in the following form:
      target + tdelta - base
      If the target is not present, then it will be calculated using
      target = operand value - tdelta + base
      The target must be present for LOW.. and HIGH.. reference types
      Arguments:
              - linear address of the instruction/data
              - number of operand to convert (the same as in OpOff)
      reftype - one of REF ... constants
      target - an explicitly specified expression target. if you don't
                want to specify it, use -1. Please note that LOW... and
                HIGH... reference type requre the target.
```

```
tdelta - a displacement from the target which will be displayed
                in the expression.
     Returns: success (boolean)
OpSeg()
Convert operand to a segment expression
      (for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
OpSign()
Change sign of the operand.
      (for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
OpStkvar()
Convert operand to a stack variable
      (for the explanations of 'ea' and 'n' please see OpBinary())
PatchByte()
Change value of a program byte
          - linear address
      value - new value of the byte
PatchDword()
Change value of a double word
      ea - linear address
      value - new value of the double word
PatchWord()
Change value of a program word (2 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      value - new value of the word
PrevAddr()
```

- the offset base (a linear address)

```
Get previous addresss in the program
      ea - linear address
      returns: BADADDR - the specified address in the first address
PrevFunction()
Find previous function
      ea - any address belonging to the function
                      -1 - no more functions
      returns:
                  otherwise returns the previous function start address
PrevHead()
Get previous defined item (instruction or data) in the program
           - linear address to start search from
      minea - the search will stop at the address
              minea is included in the search range
      returns: BADADDR - no (more) defined items
PrevNotTail()
Get previous not-tail address in the program
      This function searches for the previous displayable address in the pro-
gram.
      The tail bytes of instructions and data are not displayable.
      ea - linear address
      returns: BADADDR - no (more) not-tail addresses
RenameEntryPoint()
Rename entry point
```

Rfirst()

name

Get first xref from 'From'

ordinal - entry point number - new name

returns: !=0 - ok

```
Get first xref from 'From'
RfirstB()
Get first xref to 'To'
RfirstB0()
Get first xref to 'To'
Rnext()
Get next xref from
Rnext0()
Get next xref from
RnextB()
Get next xref to 'To'
RnextB0()
Get next xref to 'To'
RptCmt()
Get repeatable indented comment
      Arguments:
      ea - linear address
      Returns: string or None if it fails
RunPlugin()
Load and run a plugin
      Arguments:
      name - The plugin name is a short plugin name without an extension
```

Rfirst0()

```
arg - integer argument
      Returns: 0 if could not load the plugin, 1 if ok
ScreenEA()
Get linear address of cursor
SegAddrng()
Change segment addressing
      Arguments:
             - any address in the segment
             - 0: 16bit, 1: 32bit, 2: 64bit
      use32
     Returns: success (boolean)
SegAlign()
Change alignment of the segment
     Arguments:
             - any address in the segment
             - new alignment of the segment
      Returns: success (boolean)
SegBounds()
Change segment boundaries
     Arguments:
            - any address in the segment
      startea - new start address of the segment
      endea - new end address of the segment
      disable - discard bytes that go out of the segment
     Returns: boolean success
SegByName()
Get segment by name
      segname - name of segment
```

SegClass()

```
Change class of the segment

Arguments:

ea - any address in the segment class - new class of the segment

Returns: success (boolean)
```

SegComb()

Change combination of the segment

```
Arguments:
```

```
ea - any address in the segment
comb - new combination of the segment
Returns: success (boolean)
```

SegCreate()

Create a new segment

```
Arguments:
```

```
startea - linear address of the start of the segment
endea
         - linear address of the end of the segment
           this address will not belong to the segment
           'endea' should be higher than 'startea'
base
         - base paragraph or selector of the segment.
           a paragraph is 16byte memory chunk.
           If a selector value is specified, the selector should be
           already defined.
use32
        - 0: 16bit segment, 1: 32bit segment, 2: 64bit segment
         - segment alignment. see below for alignment values
align
         - segment combination. see below for combination values.
comb
Returns: 0-failed, 1-ok
```

SegDelete()

Delete a segment

```
Arguments:
              - any address in the segment
      disable - 1: discard all bytes of the segment from the disassembled
text
                        0: retain byte values
      Returns: boolean success
SegEnd()
Get end address of a segment
      ea - any address in the segment
     returns: end of segment (an address past end of the segment)
            BADADDR - the specified address doesn't belong to any segment
SegName()
Get name of a segment
      ea - any address in the segment
      returns: "" - no segment at the specified address
SegRename()
Change name of the segment
     Arguments:
              - any address in the segment
              - new name of the segment
      Returns: success (boolean)
SegStart()
Get start address of a segment
      ea - any address in the segment
      returns: start of segment
            BADADDR - the specified address doesn't belong to any segment
Segments()
```

```
Get list of segments (sections) in the binary image
      In: -
      Return:
     List of segment start addresses.
SelEnd()
Get end address of the selected area
      returns BADADDR - the user has not selected an area
SelStart()
Get start address of the selected area
      returns BADADDR - the user has not selected an area
SetBmaskCmt()
set bitmask comment (only for bitfields)
      Arguments:
      enum_id - id of enum
            - bitmask of the constant
      cmt
              - comment
      repeatable - type of comment, 0-regular, 1-repeatable
      Returns: 1-ok, 0-failed
SetBmaskName()
Set bitmask name (only for bitfields)
      Arguments:
      enum id - id of enum
      bmask - bitmask of the constant
      name - name of bitmask
      Returns: 1-ok, 0-failed
SetFixup()
```

Set fixup information

SetFunctionCmt()

```
Set function comment

ea - any address belonging to the function
cmt - a function comment line
repeatable - 1: get repeatable comment
0: get regular comment
```

SetFunctionEnd()

```
Change function end address

ea - any address belonging to the function end - new function end address

returns: !=0 - ok
```

SetFunctionFlags()

SetHiddenArea()

```
Set hidden area state

Arguments:

ea - any address belonging to the hidden area visible - new state of the area

Returns: !=0 - ok
```

SetManualInsn()

```
Specify instruction represenation manually.
          - linear address
      insn - a string represenation of the operand
      IDA will not check the specified instruction, it will simply display
      it instead of the orginal representation.
SetSegmentType()
Set segment type
      Arguments:
      segea - any address within segment
      type - new segment type:
      Returns:
                !=0 - ok
SetSelector()
Set a selector value
      sel - 16bit selector number (should be less than 0xFFFF)
      val - value of selector
      returns:
                     nothing
      note:
                     ida supports up to 4096 selectors.
                  if 'sel' == 'val' then the selector is destroyed because
                 it has no significance
SetStatus()
```

```
Change IDA indicator.

Arguments:

status - new status

Returns: the previous status.
```

Warning()

```
Display a message in a message box

msg - message to print (formatting is done in Python)

This function can be used to debug IDC scripts
```

The user will be able to hide messages if they appear twice in a row on the screen

Word()

```
Get value of program word (2 bytes)
      ea - linear address
      returns: the value of the word. If word has no value then returns
0xFFFF
            If the current byte size is different from 8 bits, then the re-
turned value
            might have more 1's.
add_dref()
Create Data Ref
add_dref()
Create Data Ref
del_dref()
Unmark Data Ref
del_dref()
Unmark Data Ref
refs()
Generic reference collector.
      Note:
      This function is for internal use only.
```

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