

CSIT The InfoSecurity Challenge 2020

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Event Details

I started my session at around 9pm, 9/8/2020. I ended up spending way too much time idling, setting things up and not being able to progress (especially on STAGE 2). I gave up about 24 hours in, as I had other work to do (like School). Nevertheless, I still learnt some things, such as practicing how to identify encoding/compression types, UPX Packing Golang, Reverse Engineering using Cutter.

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My Stuff

I only could do 2 challenges

1. STAGE 0 (Test Stage): Introduction
 - Do the survey to get the flag `TISC20{finished_the_form_973926492}`
2. STAGE 1: What is this thing
 - I took 6 hours or so.

I tried to do STAGE 2 and even got a RSA Key, but for some reason it didn't work (probably it was the incorrect one)

STAGE 1: What is this thing?

STAGE ONE

Description

You are working as a cyber security analyst for TISC (The InfoSecurity Company). A client has recently approached us after they were struck by ransomware on their database servers!

The last script the sysadmin remembered running was something he took off a stackoverflow page: [stackoverflowed.png](#) attached below! This lead to a github page: <https://github.com/divoc-91/AnorocWare-Server-Patch> We also found some deleted files: Some sort of transactional diagram

We noticed unusual network activity around the time that the user reported being ransomware-d. There were files being sent and received, some of which we were unable to inspect. We suspect they are using a simple password (6 characters, hexadecimal) on the zip files as well as several layers of encoding / compression so it cannot be automatically unpacked by the company's firewall or antivirus. Think of it roughly like zipping a file many times. We need your help to write some code that will get to the bottom of this!

Connect using

```
nc fqybysahpvift1nqtwywev1r7n50zdzp.ctf.sg 31081
```

You will need your SUBMISSION_TOKEN too! (find below)

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- Writeups should be sent from the email address used to sign up for TISC to tisc_contactus@csit.gov.sg within 48h after the end of your 48h session.
- Emails should have "tiscwriteup your_fullname_goes_here" as the subject.
- You should not share your writeups with anyone else or post them publicly before 08 Sept 2020 0000hrs.
- The clarity of your documentation will contribute to a better evaluation of your work.

Attached Files

[planBscheme.png](#)

[stackoverflowed.png](#)

[suspectedscript.png](#)

Solution

Use `fcrackzip` to bruteforce the password of the zip file and extract out `temp.mess`.

Repeat this process recursively on `temp.mess` and you will get the flag

Cracking Zip

Flag?

After that I downloaded the zip file and found a temp.mess file. However, extracting it seems to require a password. Since the challenge said the password was 6 characters and hexadecimal, I used fcrackzip to get the password. It took 20 min or so?

```
$ fcrackzip -b -u -v -l 6 -c ':0123456789ABCDEF'
04979fdc74cffb769440fd8c69a7c5c0.zip
found file 'temp.mess', (size cp/uc 245827/245740, flags 3, chk a499)
$ fcrackzip -b -u -v -l 6 -c ':0123456789abcdef'
04979fdc74cffb769440fd8c69a7c5c0.zip found file 'temp.mess', (size cp/uc
245827/245740, flags 3, chk a499)
checking pw 98967f

PASSWORD FOUND!!!!: pw == 9a035a
```

Basic analysis of `temp.mess` show that it is gzip compressed data

```
$ file temp.mess
temp.mess: gzip compressed data, last modified: Wed Aug  5 11:28:11 2020,
max compression, original size modulo 2^32 245647
$ binwalk temp.mess
```

DECIMAL	HEXADECIMAL	DESCRIPTION

0	0x0	gzip compressed data, maximum compression, last modified: 2020-08-05 11:28:11
15	0xF	gzip compressed data, maximum compression, last modified: 2020-08-05 11:28:11

```
$ mv temp.mess temp.gz
$ gunzip -d temp.gz
$
```

On extracting it seems like you get another gzip file. So I extracted that

```
$ file temp
temp: gzip compressed data, last modified: Wed Aug  5 11:28:11 2020, max
compression, original size modulo 2^32 245554
$ mv temp temp.gz && gunzip -d temp.gz
$ file temp
temp: zlib compressed data
```

Extracting zlib data

To extract the zlib data, I used zlib-flate (`sudo apt install qpdf` first to use it)

```
$ zlib-flate -uncompress < temp | cat > tempdata.txt
```

Extracting hexdump and list of integers (JSON Data)

Opening the text file makes it seem like base64 data. However, decoding it doesn't seem to give any useful data

```
$ base64 -d tempdata.txt > tempdata-b64decoded
$ file tempdata-b64decoded
tempdata-b64decoded: data
$ binwalk tempdata-b64decoded
```

DECIMAL	HEXADECIMAL	DESCRIPTION

Another possible form of data is Hex. I coded a simple python program to convert the hex string into raw byte data

```
def reverseHexDump(filename, outFile = "temp"):
    with open(filename) as f:
        data = f.read()

    # Read 2 characters at a time
    intData = []
    charAtTime = 2
    for i in range(0, len(data), charAtTime):
        intData.append(int( data[i:i+charAtTime] ,16))

    byteData = bytes(intData)
    with open(outFile, 'wb') as f:
        f.write(byteData)

reverseHexDump('tempdata.txt')
```

```
$ file temp
temp: JSON data
```

Moreover, it's actually a list of integers. On converting them to ASCII, I get garbage text, so I put this text into a new file with another python code

```
def readInJson(file, out):
    with open(file) as f:
        data = f.read()
        processedData = eval(data)

    strData = ""
    for i in processedData:
        strData += chr(i)
    with open(out, 'w') as f:
        f.write(strData)
    readInJson('temp', 'temp')
```

Extrcating xz

After that extract it out again

```
$ file temp
temp: XZ compressed data
$ mv temp temp.xz
$ xz -d temp.xz
$ file temp
temp: gzip compressed data, last modified: Wed Aug  5 11:28:11 2020, max
compression, original size modulo 2^32 215096
```

After that I extracted it with **gunzip** and **xz** again to get a text file, with a bunch of integers this time

```
$ file temp
temp: ASCII text, with very long lines, with no line terminators
$ head -c 100 temp
373839633834623736353530316334656630323638636262383465306165633132316238356
2373037373737373730626236
```

I guessed that these integers could mean more byte data so I converted them into byte data and wrote the bytes into raw file

```
def readInIntegers(file, out):
    with open(file) as f:
        data = f.read()
        intData = int(data)
        #print(intData)
        byteData = bytes([intData])
    with open(out, 'wb') as f:
        f.write(byteData)
    readInIntegers('temp', 'temp1')
```

```
$ file temp1
temp1: ASCII text, with very long lines, with no line terminators
$ head -c20 temp1
[3738396338346237363
$ tail -c20 temp1
306533333239353537L]
$
```

Ok it's just the same number. After that I thought that this may just be hex data again, and converted it into raw byte data again (and that was JSON so I converted the strings inside and so on) After that there is way more tedious extraction.

Some other file types

After going through several times of extraction, there were some new file formats I figured out

One of them was bzip. I used `dtrx` to extract it (because I'm lazy)

```
$ file tempbzip
tempbzip: bzip2 compressed data, block size = 900k
```

Here's how to install `dtrx` by the way.

```
wget http://ftp.br.debian.org/debian/pool/main/d/dtrx/dtrx_7.1-2_all.deb
sudo dpkg -i dtrx_7.1-2_all.deb
sudo apt update
sudo apt install -f
```

Another type I was decoding (and struggling to do so) is a type of string with only alphanumeric characters. Then I realised it is Base64

```
$ cat temp1 | grep -o -P '.{0,3}[^0-9A-Za-z].{0,4}'
$ head -c20 temp1
UWxwb09URkJXU1pUV1V4
$ tail -c20 temp1
Ulwd29TQ1kwcklDQT0K
$ cat temp1 | base64 -d | base64 -d > tempbzip
$
```

Scripting

I started getting bored of doing things manually. Also I don't think that's what they wanted. I decided to start scripting the automatic extraction of files. There was probably an online extractor online that could do this for you, but ~I'm not very smart~ I wanted to challenge myself.

After that I let the program run until it crashes correctly, and I can get the flag

```
$ python solve.py
...
an integer is required
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "solve.py", line 135, in <module>
    scriptRun('test')
  File "solve.py", line 129, in scriptRun
    raise Exception(str(e)+"\nCurrent counter at "+str(counter))
Exception: an integer is required
Current counter at 163
$ cat test163
{"anoroc": "v1.320", "secret":
"TISC20{q1_409393ef1b650092ce346a09205c40d6}", "desc": "Submit this.secret
to the TISC grader to complete challenge", "constants": [1116352408,
1899447441, 3049323471, 3921009573, 961987163, 1508970993, 2453635748,
2870763221], "sign": "boy0NNVUj2epGX0mAv5bo9nwBqqwcQ"}
```

Wow I took 6.5 hours.

Flag

TISC20{q1_409393ef1b650092ce346a09205c40d6}

Final Submission

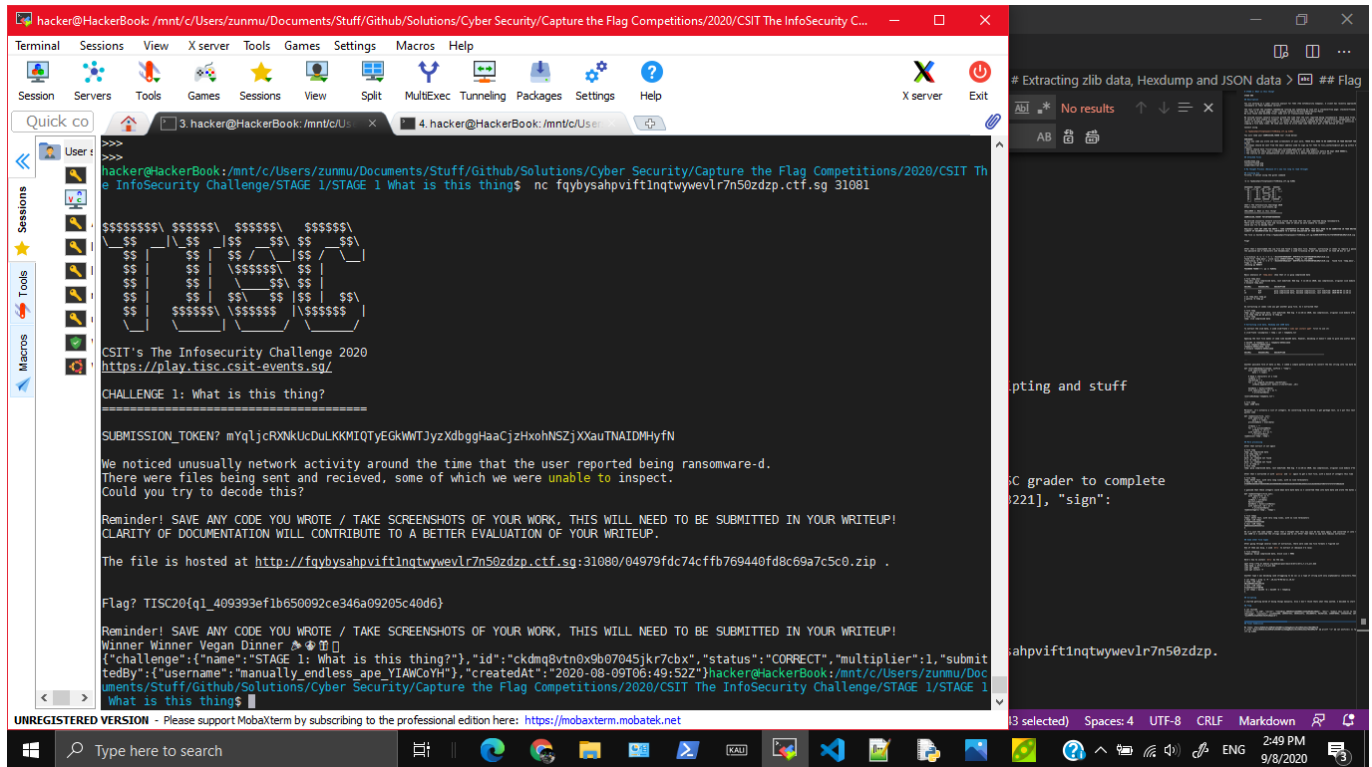
```
$ nc fqybysahpvift1nqtwywev1r7n50zdzp.ctf.sg 31081
.
.
.
```

Flag? TISC20{q1_409393ef1b650092ce346a09205c40d6}

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```
{"challenge":{"name":"STAGE 1: What is this
thing?"},"id":"ckdmaq8vtn0x9b07045jkr7cbx","status":"CORRECT","multiplier":1
,"submittedBy":
{"username":"manually_endless_ape_YIAWCoYH"},"createdAt":"2020-08-
09T06:49:52Z"}
```

Final Python Solution

```
# Run in python 2
ZIP_FILE = "04979fdc74cffb769440fd8c69a7c5c0.zip"
PASSWORD = "9a035a"

import os

def route(inname,out):
    if inname != out:
        os.system("mv "+inname+" "+out)

def unzip(filename, out="temp.mess"):
    os.system("unzip"+" -P "+PASSWORD+" "+ZIP_FILE)
    route("temp.mess",out)

def unGZ(filename, out):
    os.system("gunzip "+filename)
    route(filename.split('.')[0],out)

def unXz(filename, out):
    command = "xz -d "+filename
    print('Command:' + command)
    os.system(command)
    route(filename.split('.')[0],out)

def unZlib(filename,out):
    command = 'zlib-flate -uncompress < '+filename+' | cat > '+out
    os.system(command)

def reverseHexDump(filename, outFile = "rawFile"):
    with open(filename) as f:
```

```

        data = f.read()

# Read 2 characters at a time
intData = []
charAtTime = 2
for i in range(0,len(data),charAtTime):
    intData.append(int( data[i:i+charAtTime] ,16))

byteData = bytes(intData)
with open(outFile,'wb') as f:
    f.write(byteData)

def readInJson(file, out):
    with open(file) as f:
        data = f.read()
    processedData = eval(data)

    strData = ""
    for i in processedData:
        strData += chr(i)
    with open(out,'w') as f:
        f.write(strData)

#####
##

def legacy():
    os.system('rm temp*')

    unzip(ZIP_FILE,'temp.gz')
    unGZ('temp.gz','temp.gz')
    unGZ('temp.gz','temp.zlib')
    unZlib('temp.zlib','temp')
    reverseHexDump('temp','temp.json')
    readInJson('temp.json', 'temp.xz')
    os.system('rm temp')
    unXz('temp.xz', 'temp.gz')
    unGZ('temp.gz','temp.xz')
    unXz('temp.xz', 'temp')

    reverseHexDump('temp','temp.json')
    readInJson('temp.json', 'temp')
    reverseHexDump('temp', 'temp')
    readInJson('temp', 'temp.zlib')

    unZlib('temp.zlib','temp.bzip')
    os.system("dtrx temp.bzip && mv temp.bzip.1 temp.zlib")
    unZlib('temp.zlib','temp')
    reverseHexDump('temp','temp.json')
    readInJson('temp.json', 'tempb64')
    readInJson('temp.json', 'test')
    #os.system('$ cat tempb64 | base64 -d > test')

    #os.system('rm temp*')

```

```

def singleExtraction(filename, outfile):
    cmd = os.popen('file '+filename).read()
    cmdOut = cmd.split(':')[1]
    print(cmdOut)

    if 'gzip compressed data' in cmdOut:
        #unGZ(filename,outfile)
        os.system("dtrx "+filename+" && mv "+filename+".1 "+outfile)

    elif 'XZ compressed data' in cmdOut:
        os.system('mv '+filename+' '+filename+'.xz')
        unXz(filename+'.xz', outfile)

    elif 'zlib compressed data' in cmdOut:
        unZlib(filename, outfile)

    elif 'ASCII text, with very long lines' in cmdOut:
        with open(filename) as f:
            data = f.read()
            b64Identify = False
            for i in "ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ":
                if i in data: b64Identify = True
            if b64Identify: #base64
                os.system("cat "+filename+" | base64 -d > "+outfile)
            else:
                reverseHexDump(filename,outfile)

    elif 'JSON data' in cmdOut:
        readInJson(filename, outfile)

    elif 'bzip2 compressed data' in cmdOut:
        os.system("dtrx "+filename+" && mv "+filename+".1 "+outfile)

    else:
        os.system("cp "+filename+" undoneyet")
        raise Exception("Not implemented file type of "+cmdOut)

def scriptRun(ogFile):
    os.system("cp "+ogFile+" "+ogFile+str(0))
    counter = 0
    while True:
        inf , outf = ogFile+str(counter), ogFile+str(counter+1)
        try:
            singleExtraction(inf, outf)
        except Exception as e:
            print(str(e))
            raise Exception(str(e)+"\nCurrent counter at "+str(counter))
        counter += 1

if True:
    legacy()
#singleExtraction('tempb64', 'temp8')

```

```
scriptRun('test')  
#reverseHexDump('temp1','temp.json')
```

STAGE 2: Find me some keys

STAGE TWO

Description

YOU WILL NEED ENCRYPTED.ZIP ATTACHED BELOW

You have recovered the ransomware that has been running on the computers. First, you need to figure out how the ransomware works, what encryption algorithm it uses.

Please handle the anorocware executable with caution, we have provided a Dockerfile for you to containerise the ransomware. You may also choose to use a Virtual Machine.

Find the public key that is embedded in the binary. Hash the base64 string of the public key using sha256 and submit flag as TISC20{sha256 hash of the base64 encoded public key}

ANSWER FORMAT EXAMPLE:

The key file will look something like this but longer:

```
LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBQVUJMSUMgS0VZLS0tLS0NCmMyOXRaU0JpWVh0bE5qUWdjM1J5YVc1bk1HZHZaWE1nYUdWeVpRPT0NCi0tLS0tRU5EIFBVQkxJQyBLRVktLS0tLQ==
```

Internally it contains something like this:

```
-----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY-----
c29tZSBiYXNlNjQgc3RyaW5nIGdvZXMgaGVyZQ==
-----END PUBLIC KEY-----
```

You will need to perform a sha256 hash on the whole key file, i.e.

```
sha256("LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBQVUJMSUMgS0VZLS0tLS0NCmMyOXRaU0JpWVh0bE5qUWdjM1J5YVc1bk1HZHZaWE1nYUdWeVpRPT0NCi0tLS0tRU5EIFBVQkxJQyBLRVktLS0tLQ==") to obtain
799f319d8400243a8331d70ae7df4bacf0290dca303b138b03263655e9548caf
```

Then submit flag as

```
TISC20{799f319d8400243a8331d70ae7df4bacf0290dca303b138b03263655e9548caf}
```

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Attached Files

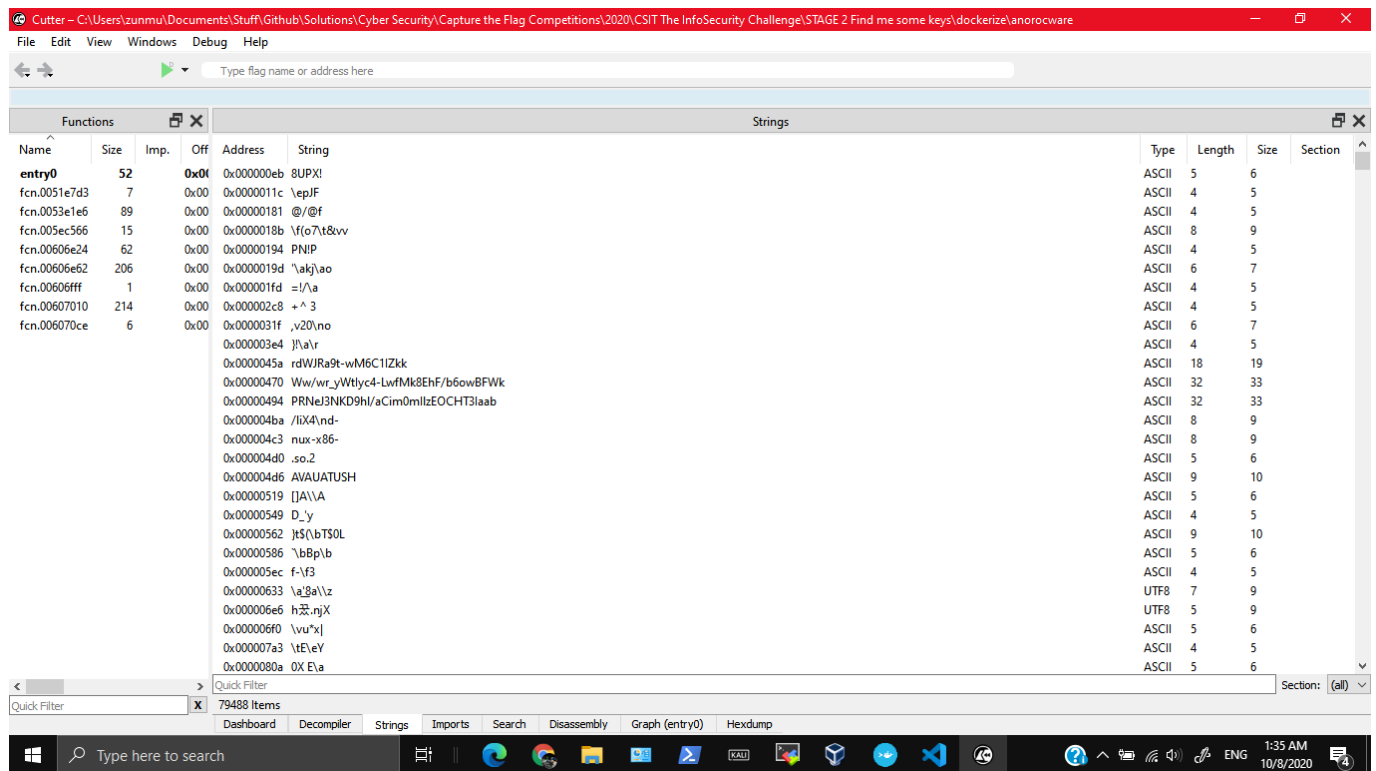
encrypted.zip

Solution

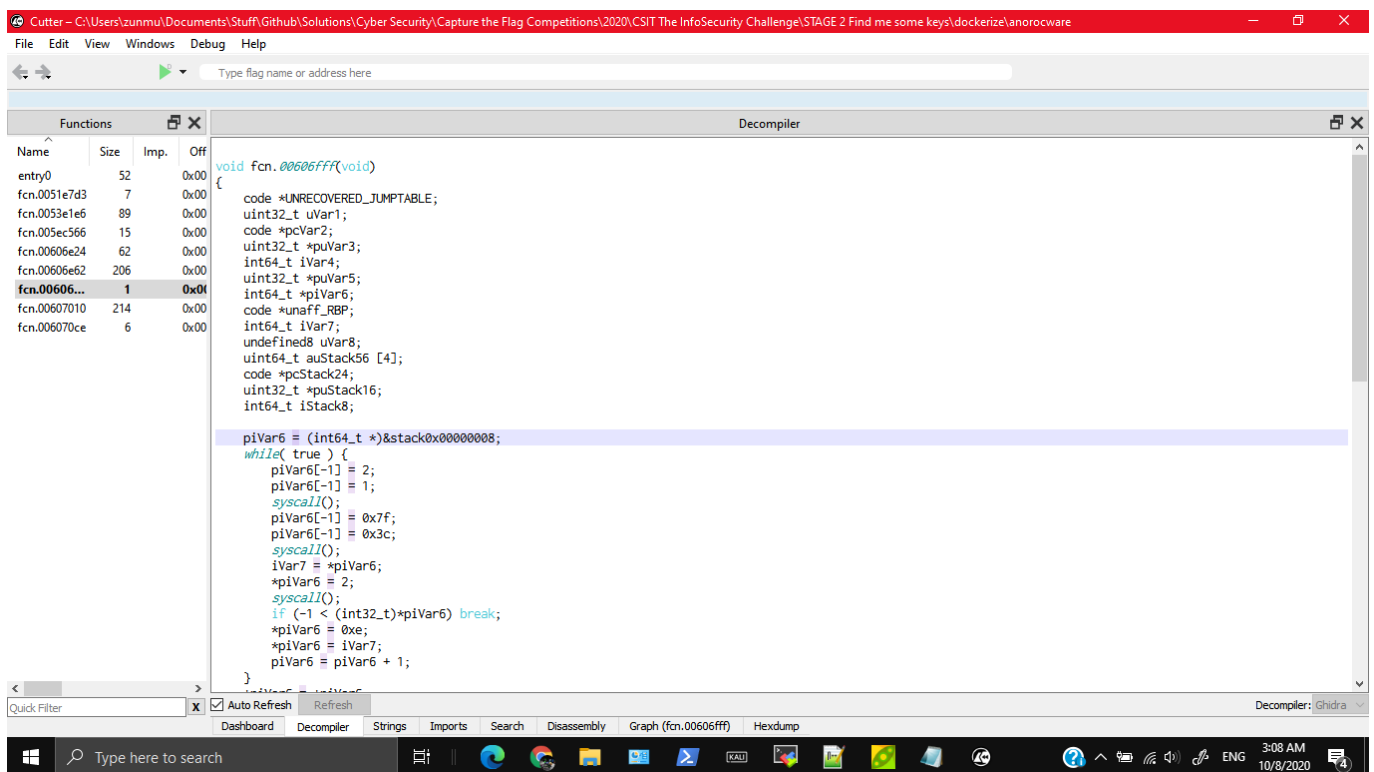
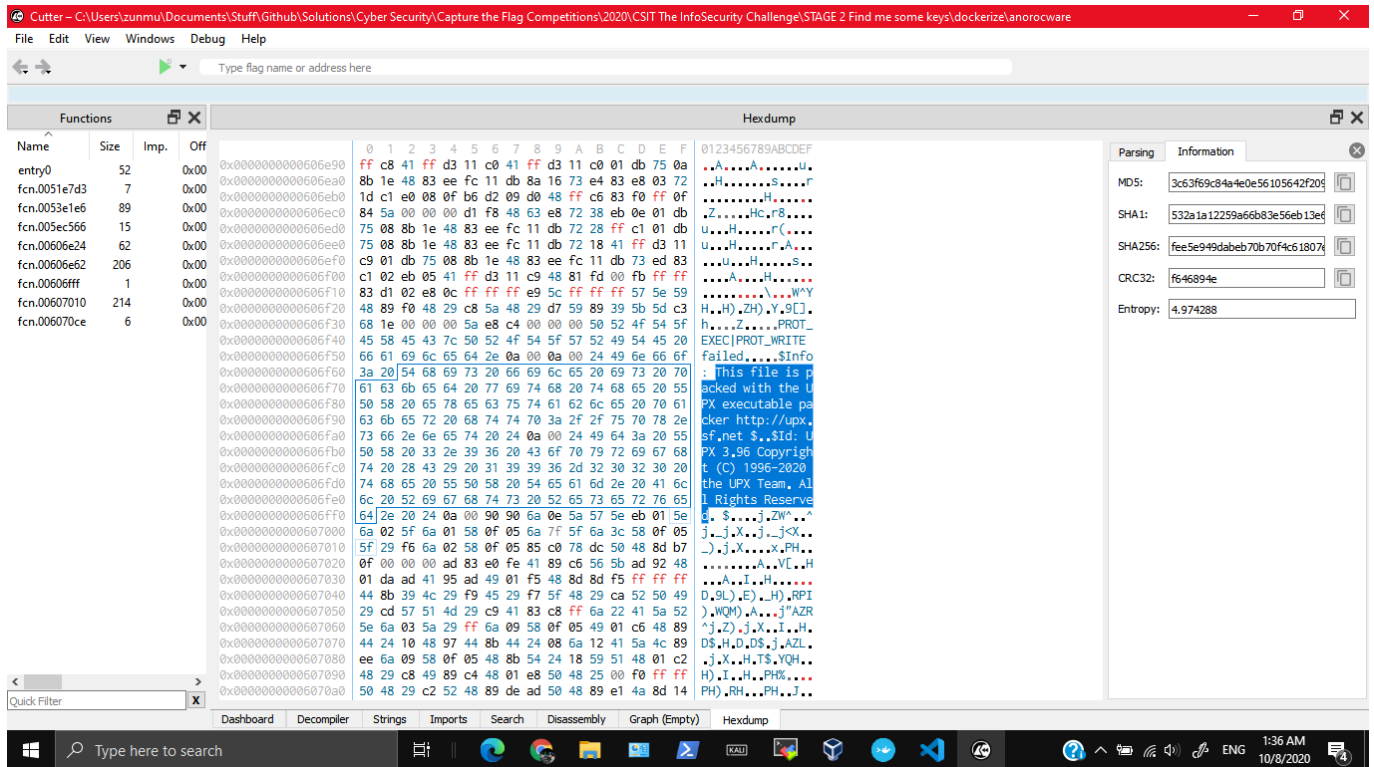
Finding out it's UPX packed

I'm using Windows, so I need to setup docker first. ~~Totally didn't spend 1h 45 min trying to extract a linux VM because my original one broke and failing.~~ A good way to do it is to **choco install docker-toolbox**. It sets up the server for you, so all you need to do is to open a program, and you get access to a command prompt with docker access.

Firstly, I decompiled the program using **Cutter** (which uses Ghidra's Decompiler). Cutter is a good tool for Windows (Don't have to deal with Java and cumbersome UI and setup). It doesn't seem like it has any meaningful strings.



However, on looking at the hex dump, it seems like it is packed with UPX packer? That seems interesting (maybe it's why the decompiler couldn't fully decompile ~~or it's just me being lazy to read~~).



I set up the container by running `docker build dockerize`. After that I ran some basic commands to figure out what it was doing (since I can't actually read the decompiled code properly). By the way if you want to get a terminal out of the container run `docker run -i -t CONTAINER_ID bash`

```
$ docker run anorocware './anorocware'
:(
$ docker run anorocware 'ltrace ./anorocware'
Couldn't find .dynsym or .dynstr in "/proc/8/exe"
$ docker run anorocware 'strace anorocware' > strace.log
```

After some googling I realised you could easily unpack the executable with a linux command. I installed upx in the docker container (actually in normal linux works too) and unpacked the executable.

```

root@23bbdce9e1da:~# apt install upx
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
Note, selecting 'upx-ucl' instead of 'upx'
The following additional packages will be installed:
  libucl1
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  libucl1 upx-ucl
0 upgraded, 2 newly installed, 0 to remove and 4 not upgraded.
Need to get 417 kB of archives.
After this operation, 2158 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y
.
.
.
.
Processing triggers for libc-bin (2.31-0ubuntu9) ...
root@23bbdce9e1da:~# upx
                                Ultimate Packer for eXecutables
                                Copyright (C) 1996 - 2018
UPX 3.95      Markus Oberhumer, Laszlo Molnar & John Reiser   Aug 26th
2018

Usage: upx [-123456789dlthVL] [-qvfk] [-o file] file..

Commands:
  -1      compress faster          -9      compress better
  -d      decompress              -l      list compressed file
  -t      test compressed file    -V      display version number
  -h      give more help          -L      display software license

Options:
  -q      be quiet                -v      be verbose
  -oFILE  write output to 'FILE'
  -f      force compression of suspicious files
  -k      keep backup files

file..    executables to (de)compress

Type 'upx --help' for more detailed help.

UPX comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY; for details visit
https://upx.github.io
root@23bbdce9e1da:~# upx -d anorocware
                                Ultimate Packer for eXecutables
                                Copyright (C) 1996 - 2018
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2018

```

File size	Ratio	Format	Name
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```
-----  
7406375 <- 3993332 53.92% linux/amd64 anorocware
```

Unpacked 1 file.

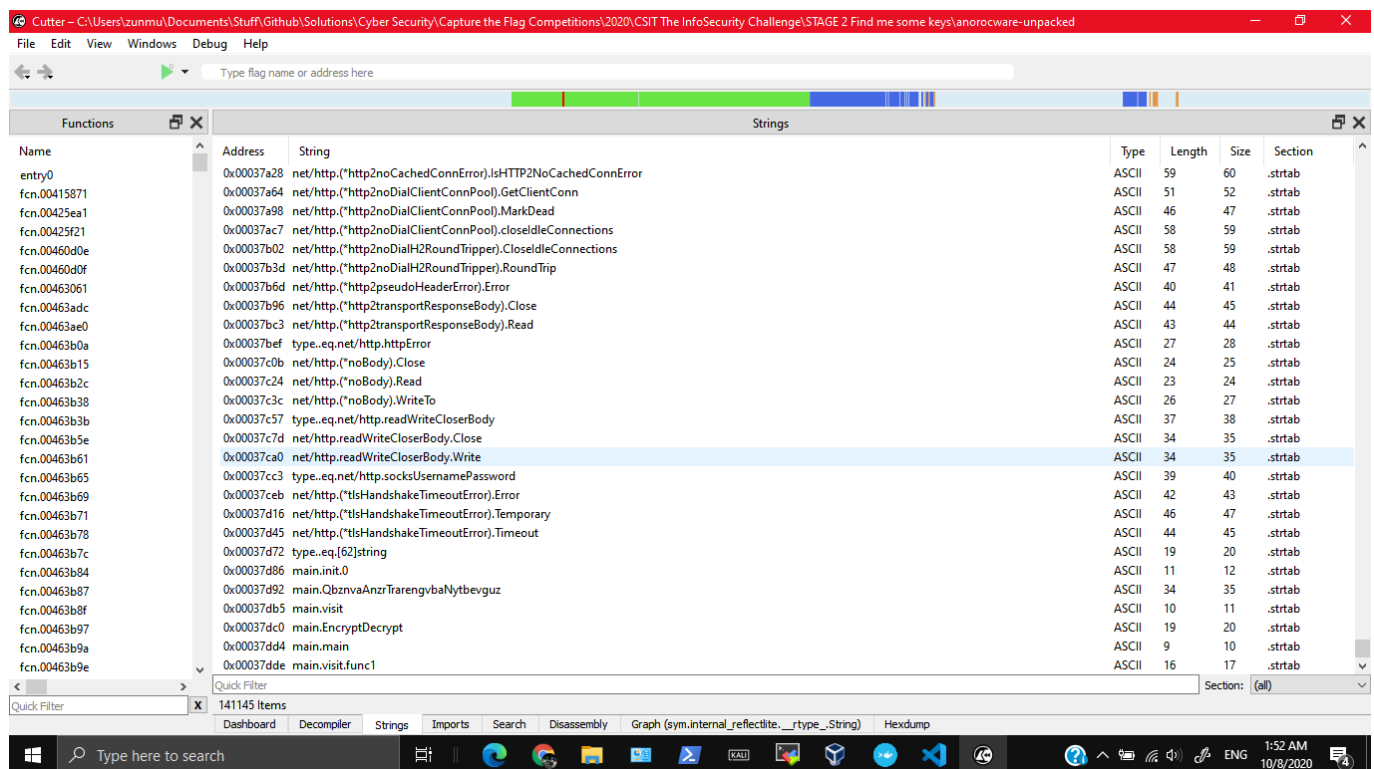
```
root@23bbdce9e1da:~# ls
```

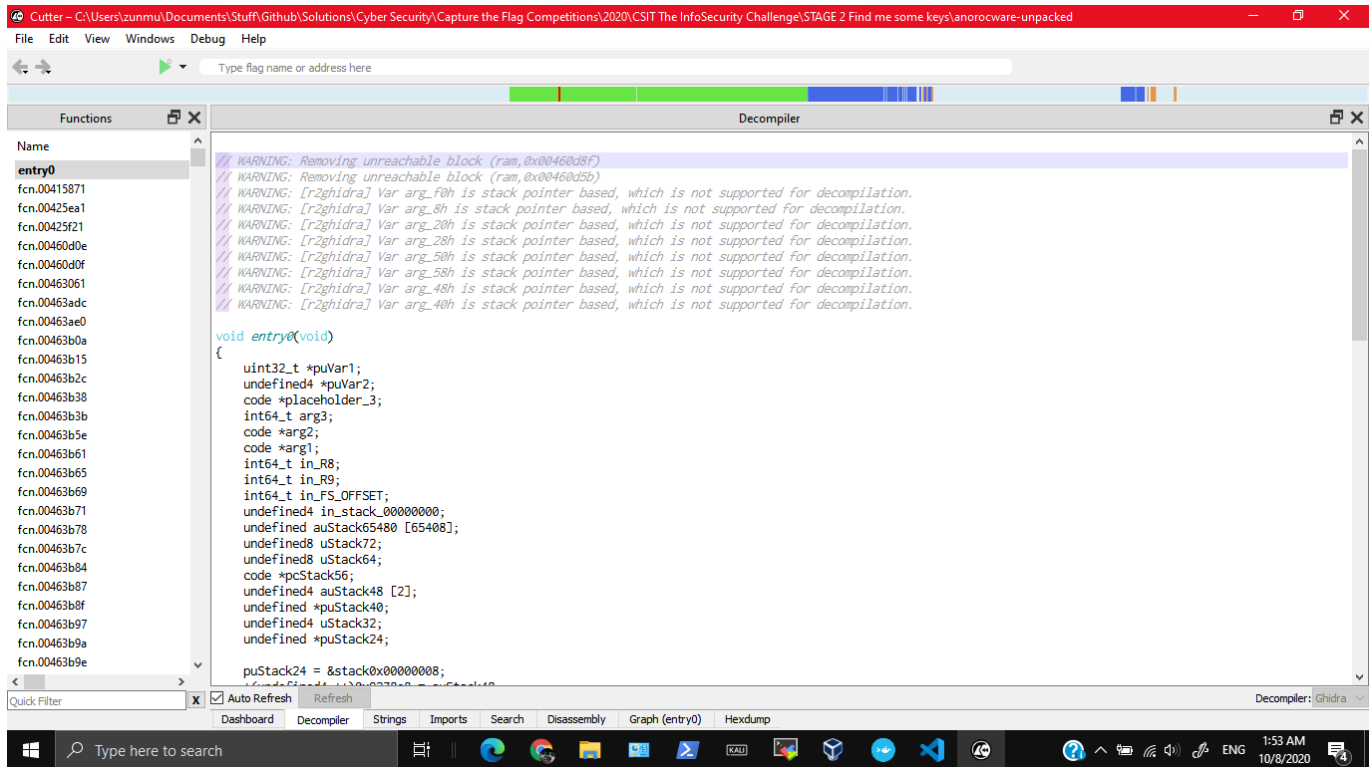
```
anorocware  clients.db.anoroc  email  images  keydetails-enc.txt  
ransomnote-anoroc.txt  secret_investments.db.anoroc
```

Strings

After that I copied the unpacked executable out from the docker container and analysed it in Cutter. The results are much more promising. The decompiled code is more readable.

```
$ docker cp reverent_allen:/root/anorocware anorocware-unpacked
```





There was also a potential long string `rdWJRa9t-wM6C1IZkkWw/wr_yWtIyc4-LwfMk8EhF/b6owBFWkPRNeJ3NKD9hL/aCim0mILzEOCHT3IaabM` which could be the key but probably not.

The function names remind me a lot of Java. On some googling, it's actually possible to convert from Java to Linux Executable through the use of `gcj` and also some methods. Maybe it is possible to reverse the change?

Let's analyse the file. Running `ltrace` on it seems a lot more promising this time.

```
root@23bbdce9e1da:~# ltrace ./anorocware
malloc(56)
= 0xbca2a0
pthread_attr_init(0xbca2a0, 0, 65, 0xbca2d0)
= 0
pthread_attr_getstacksize(0xbca2a0, 0x7ffda6f2b060, 65, 0xbca2d0)
= 0
pthread_attr_destroy(0xbca2a0, 0x7ffda6f2b060, 1, 0xbca2d0)
= 0
free(0xbca2a0)
= <void>
mmap(0, 0x40000, 3, 34)
= 0x7f4a98da0000
mmap(0, 0x20000, 0, 34)
= 0x7f4a98d80000
mmap(0, 0x100000, 0, 34)
= 0x7f4a98c80000
mmap(0, 0x800000, 0, 34)
= 0x7f4a98480000
mmap(0, 0x4000000, 0, 34)
= 0x7f4a94480000
mmap(0, 0x20000000, 0, 34)
```

```

= 0x7f4a74480000
mmap(0xc000000000, 0x4000000, 0, 34)
= 0xc000000000
mmap(0xc000000000, 0x4000000, 3, 50)
= 0xc000000000
mmap(0, 0x2000000, 3, 34)
= 0x7f4a72480000
mmap(0, 0x210808, 3, 34)
= 0x7f4a7226f000
mmap(0x7f4a98d80000, 0x20000, 3, 50)
= 0x7f4a98d80000
.
.
.
000000c000057af8: 8afdad80b547b63b 43b2a29ce3427104
000000c000057b08: a590fd826b98e69c 2cfec8a1b2b10275
000000c000057b18: 6a1ae8c9116e8fc8 43b2a29ce3427104
000000c000057b28: 00000007676000d0 00000007676000d0
000000c000057b38: 000000c0000ece38 000000c0000ecf90
000000c000057b48: 0000000000000004 00000007676000d0
000000c000057b58: 000000c0000ecf90 000000c0000ecd20
000000c000057b68: 000000000044996f <runtime.sighandler+1967>
0000000000010247
000000c000057b78: 002b000000000033 0000000000000004
000000c000057b88: 000000000000000e 0000000000000000
000000c000057b98: 00000007676000d0 000000c000057c80
000000c000057ba8: 0000000000000000 0000000000000000
000000c000057bb8: 0000000000000000
runtime.sigtramp(0x7, 0x0, 0xc000050000, 0x0, 0x8000, 0x4,
0x2cfec8a1b2b10275, 0x8afdad80b547b63b, 0x43b2a29ce3427104,
0xa590fd826b98e69c, ...)
    /usr/lib/go/src/runtime/sys_linux_amd64.s:389 +0x43

goroutine 12 [running]:
+++ killed by SIGSEGV +++

```

Static analysis on the file type is interesting

```

$ file anorocware-unpacked
anorocware-unpacked: ELF 64-bit LSB executable, x86-64, version 1 (SYSV),
dynamically linked, interpreter /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2, Go
BuildID=rdWJRa9t-wM6C1IZkkWw/wr_yWtIyc4-
LwfMk8EhF/b6owBFWkPRNeJ3NKD9hl/aCim0mIlzEOCHT3IaabM, not stripped
$ binwalk anorocware-unpacked

```

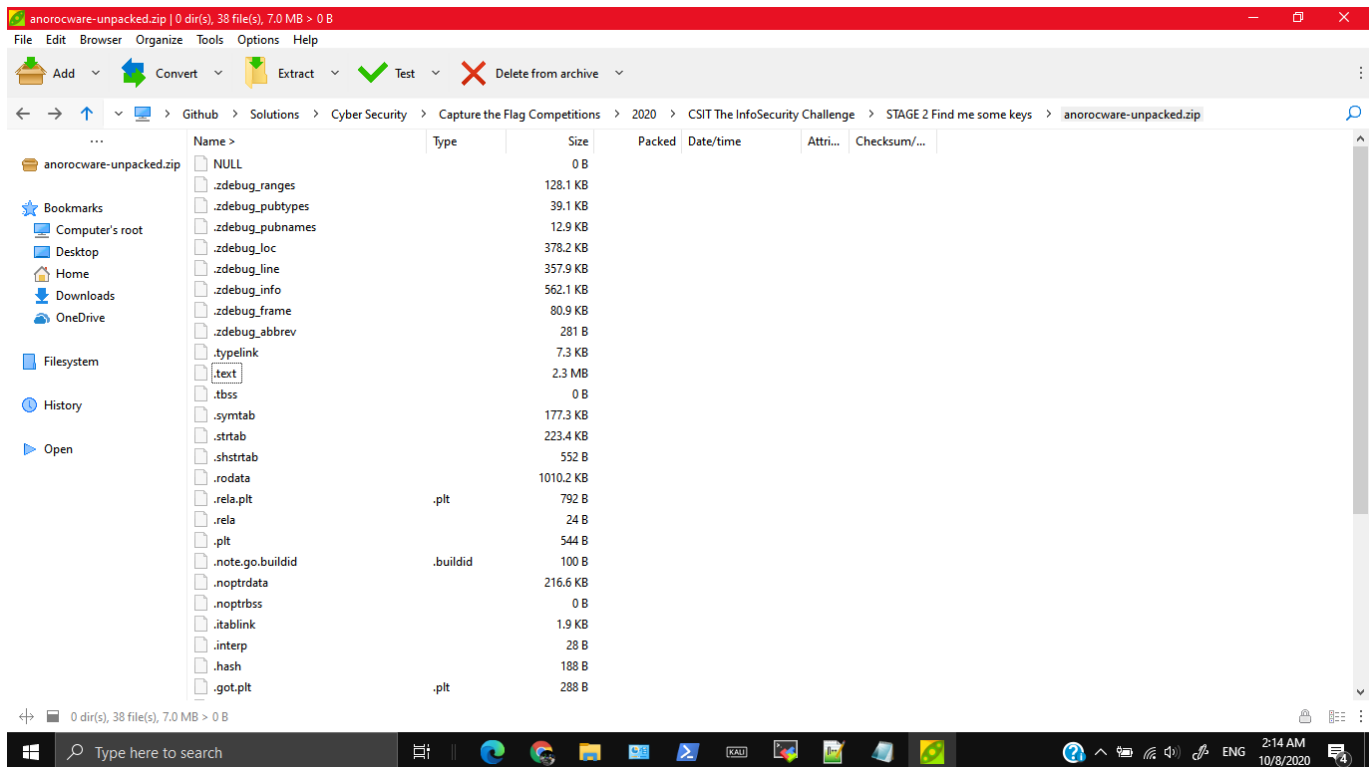
DECIMAL	HEXADECIMAL	DESCRIPTION
0	0x0	ELF, 64-bit LSB executable, AMD x86-64, version 1 (SYSV)
3065246	0x2EC59E	Unix path: /dev/stdin/etc/hosts12207031256103515625: parsing :authorityAdditionalBad

```

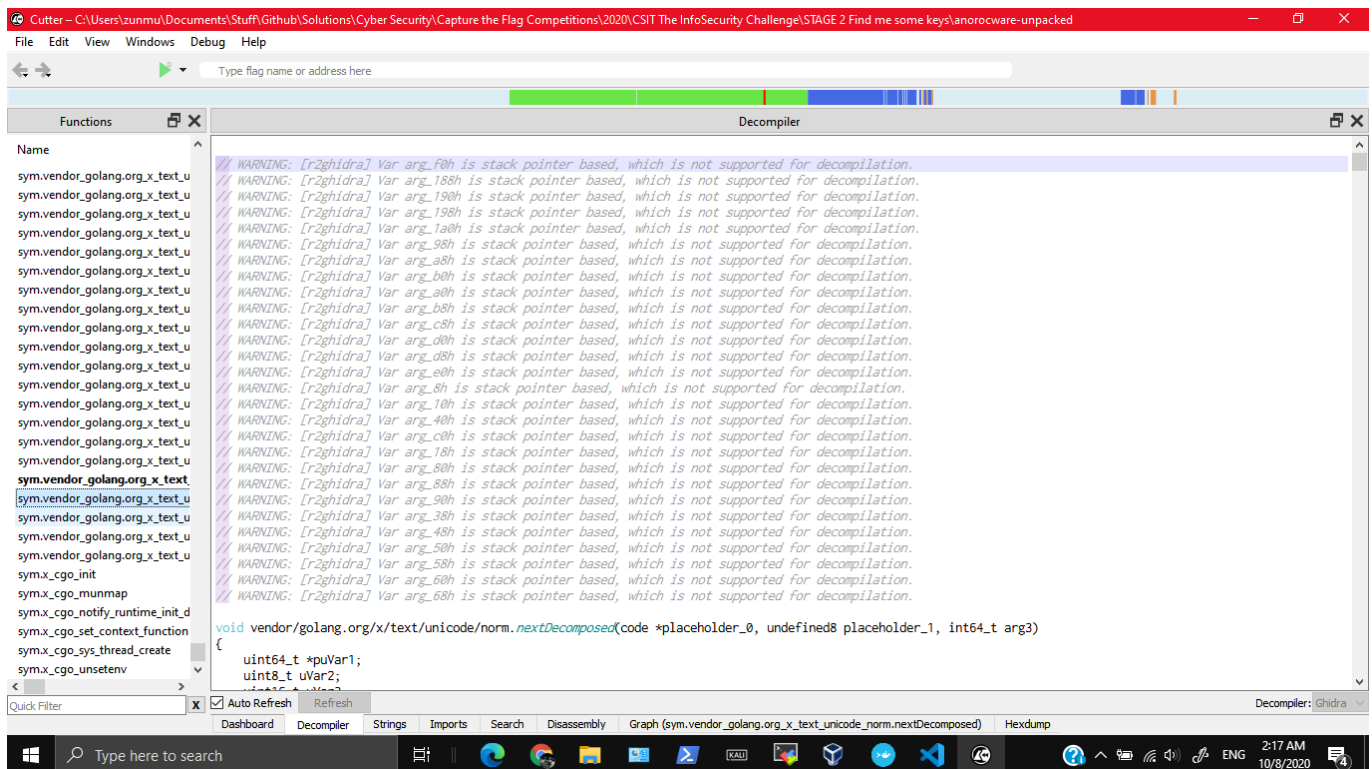
varintClassCHAOSClassCSNETConnectionContent-IdDSA-SHA2
3066237      0x2EC97D      Unix path:
/dev/stderr/dev/stdout/index.html30517578125: frame.sp=Bad GatewayBad
RequestClassHESIODCookie.PathENABLE_PUSHEND_HEADERSEarly H
3069522      0x2ED652      Unix path:
/etc/protocols/etc/ssl/certs/proc/self/exe/var/ssl/certs1907348632812595367
431640625: extra text: <not Stringer>Accept-CharsetCo
3070519      0x2EDA37      Unix path: /etc/machine-
id/etc/mdns.allow/etc/mime.types0601021504Z0700476837158203125: cannot
parse :ValidateLabels<invalid Value>ASCII_He
3072972      0x2EE3CC      Unix path:
/etc/ssl/cert.pem0123456789ABCDEFX0123456789abcdefx060102150405Z07001192092
895507812559604644775390625: missing method ; SameSit
3077222      0x2EF466      Unix path:
/usr/share/zoneinfo/37252902984619140625Egyptian_HieroglyphsIDS_Trinary_Ope
ratorInsufficient StorageMAX_HEADER_LIST_SIZEmeroitic
3079808      0x2EFE80      Unix path: /etc/apache/mime.types/etc/ssl/ca-
bundle.pem/lib/time/zoneinfo.zip/usr/local/share/certs465661287307739257812
5DEBUG_HTTP2_GOROUT
3081372      0x2F049C      Unix path:
/etc/apache2/mime.types/etc/pki/tls/cacert.pem23283064365386962890625<inval
id reflect.Value>CLIENT_TRAFFIC_SECRET_0Logical_Order
3083189      0x2F0BB5      Unix path:
/usr/share/lib/zoneinfo//var/lib/dbus/machine-
id116415321826934814453125582076609134674072265625Request Entity Too
Large", requi
3095270      0x2F3AE6      Unix path: /etc/pki/tls/certs/ca-
bundle.crt28421709430404007434844970703125: day-of-year does not match
dayMapIter.Value called before Next
3117838      0x2F930E      Unix path: /etc/pki/ca-
trust/extracted/pem/tls-ca-bundle.pemECDSA signature contained zero or
negative valuescasgstatus: waiting for Gwaiti
3127445      0x2FB895      Base64 standard index table
3409752      0x340758      Intel x86 or x64 microcode, pf_mask 0x00,
1A00-01-03, size 259
3451582      0x34AABE      VxWorks symbol table, big endian, first
entry: [type: initialized data, code address: 0x800, symbol address: 0x100]
3453088      0x34B0A0      Unix path: /usr/lib/go
3521376      0x35BB60      SHA256 hash constants, little endian
3521392      0x35BB70      SHA256 hash constants, little endian
3883602      0x3B4252      Cisco IOS microcode, for ""
5111920      0x4E0070      Unix path: /usr/lib/go/src/os/executable.go
5142496      0x4E77E0      Unix path:
/sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage/hpage_pmd_size
5160905      0x4EBFC9      Boot section Start 0x42424242 End 0x42424242
5160909      0x4EBFCD      Boot section Start 0x42424242 End 0x0
5160913      0x4EBFD1      Boot section Start 0x0 End 0x0
5160917      0x4EBFD5      Boot section Start 0x0 End 0x0
5901625      0x5A0D39      Unix path: /usr/lib/go/src/runtime/runtime-
gdb.py
6996591      0x6AC26F      mcrypt 2.2 encrypted data, algorithm:
blowfish-448, mode: CBC, keymode: 4bit
7090183      0x6C3007      mcrypt 2.2 encrypted data, algorithm:
blowfish-448, mode: CBC, keymode: 8bit

```

On a whim based on this [resource](#) I decided to try unzipping the file. To my surprise it's extractable (even though no zip file header or something!)



Ok I misjudged the code. It looks more like Golang now, because the function names literally have **golang** in them. Welp no easy way out.



Ok back to looking through the zip file. On opening all the files in notepad, I found something interesting scrolling through **.rodata**



Well now I have the below base 64 data?, so time to hash it with an online tool? This gives me a hash of

c6ef8326e531a776a3a1ee9876103f9e2576f223dfdecf58de31cd603589b73c

MIICXgIBAAKBgQDuLnQAI3mDgey3VBzWnB2L39JU04txjeVE6myuDqkM/uGl fjb9SjY1bIw4iA5sBBZz
Hi3z0h1YV8QPuxEbi4nW91IJm2gsvvZhIrCHS3L6afab4pZBL2+XsDuLrKBxKKtD1rGxlG4LjncdabFn
9gvLZad2bSysqz/qTAUStTvqJQIDAQABAoGAGRzwwir7XvBOAy5tM/uV6e+Zf6anZzus1s1Y1ClbjbE6
HXbnWWF/wbZG0pet3Zm4vD6MXc7jpTLryzTQIvVdfQbRc6+MUveLKwZatTXtdZrhu+Jk7hx0nTPy8Jcb
uJqFk541aEw+mMogY/xEcfbWd6IOkp+4xqjlFLBEDyTgbIECQQDvH/E6nk+hgN4HqzzVtxxr397vWrjr
IgPbJpQvBsafG7b0dA4AFjwVbFLmQcj2PprIMmPcQrooz8vpjy4SHEg1AkEA/v13/5M47K9vCxmb8QeD
/asydfsqS5TeuNi8DoUBEmiSJwma7FXyffUtxuvL7XvjiwN5B30pNEbc6Iuyt7y4MQJBAlT21su4b3si

XNueLKH85Q+phy2UfQtUe9txb1Tu14q3N7gHRZB4ZMhFYyDy8CKrN2cPg/Fvyt0Xlp/DoCzjA0CQQDUy2ptGsuSmgUtWj3NM9xuwYPm+Z/F84K6+ARYiZ6PYj013sovGKUffYAqVXVlxtIXqyUBnu3X9ps8ZfjLZ07BAkEALt4R5Yl6cGhaJQYZH0de3JEMhNRcVFM08dJDafeof90eos0UUothgiDktdQHxdNEwLjQf7LJJBzV+50tswCWA==. This gives me a hash of
867fc2756be891892d56eadd5c275d9d2d0146972b0f4d6decfc5f2ee51a3a5d

Ok now I'm stuck. I've tried both hashes but both are rejected?

I've tried converting the base64 into raw data, putting that into a file, and doing SHA256 on that but the hash still doesn't work

```
$ echo
"MIICXgIBAAKBgQDuLnQAI3mDgey3VBzWnB2L39JU4txjeVE6myuDqkM/uGl fjb9SjY1bIw4iA
5sBBZzHi3z0h1YV8QPuxEbi4nW91IIm2gsVvZhIrCHS3l6afab4pZBl2+XsDulrKBxKKtD1rGxl
G4LjncdabFn9gvLZad2bSysqz/qTAUStTvqJQIDAQABoGAGRzwir7XvB0Ay5tM/uV6e+Zf6an
Zzus1s1Y1ClbjbE6HXbnWWF/wbZG0pet3Zm4vD6MXc7jpTLryzTQIvVdfQbRc6+MUVeLKwZatTX
tdZrhu+Jk7hx0nTPy8JcbuJqFk541aEw+mMogY/xEcfbWd6IOkp+4xqjlFLBEDytgbIECQQDvH/
E6nk+hgN4HqzzVtxxr397vWrjrIgpBjPqVbsafG7b0dA4AFjwVbFLmQcj2PprIMmPcQrooz8vpj
y4SHEg1AkEA/v13/5M47K9vCymb8QeD/asydfsgS5TeuNi8DoUBEmiSJwma7FXyFFUtxuvL7Xvj
wjN5B30pNEbc6Iuyt7y4MQJBAt21su4b3sjXNueLKH85Q+phy2UfQtUe9txb1Tu14q3N7gHRZ
B4ZMhFYyDy8CKrN2cPg/Fvyt0Xlp/DoCzjA0CQQDUy2ptGsuSmgUtWj3NM9xuwYPm+Z/F84K6+A
RYiZ6PYj013sovGKUffYAqVXVlxtIXqyUBnu3X9ps8ZfjLZ07BAkEALt4R5Yl6cGhaJQYZH0de
3JEMhNRcVFM08dJDafeof90eos0UUothgiDktdQHxdNEwLjQf7LJJBzV+50tswCWA==" |
base64 -d > key
$ file key
key: DER Encoded Key Pair, 1024 bits
$ binwalk key

DECIMAL          HEXADECIMAL      DESCRIPTION
-----
-----
0                0x0              Private key in DER format (PKCS header
length: 4, sequence length: 606

$ sha256sum key
2effaa383cfb3430ca040a3159a877b8ac38d933c7a7f529194e1531a3016e07  key
```

Did they want the base 64 string of the file?

```
$ cat .rodata.txt | base64 | sha256sum
9673c4ff9a8094f0ebb36227f1c1fc894b9c9e675ddd526c70e167d0af978b13
```

Nope it still fails. After a while I realised that this doesn't meet the format wanted at all. The headers and footers were -----BEGIN RSA TESTING KEY----- and -----END RSA TESTING KEY-----.
However, they should be -----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY----- and -----END PUBLIC KEY-----? However, I couldn't find any other string or key, so I was quite confused at this point

Out of a whim I decided to try converting the given base64 example string into a file. To my surprise I got ASCII Text inside. Maybe I just read the question entirely wrongly, and what they wanted was the SHA256 hash of a base64 string containing the Key.

```
$ echo
"LS0tLS1CRUdJTiBQVUJMSUMgS0VZLS0tLS0NCmMyOXRaU0JpWVh0bE5qUWdjM1J5YVc1bk1HZH
ZaWE1nYUdWeVpRPT0NCi0tLS0tRU5EIFBVQkxJQyBLRVktLS0tLQ==" | base64 -d >
given-example
$ file given-example
given-example: ASCII text, with CRLF line terminators
$ cat given-example
-----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY-----
c29tZSBiYXNlNjQgc3RyaW5nIGdvZXMGaGVyZQ==
-----END PUBLIC KEY-----
```

I just decided to do the same but for this text

```
-----BEGIN RSA TESTING KEY-----
MIICXgIBAAKBgQDuLnQAI3mDgey3VBzWnB2L39JUU4txjeVE6myuDqkM/uGl fjb9
SjY1bIw4iA5sBBZzHi3z0h1YV8QPuxEbi4nW91IJm2gsvvZhIrCHS3l6afab4pZB
l2+XsDulrKBxKKtD1rGxlG4LjncdabFn9gvLZad2bSysqz/qTAUStTvqJQIDAQAB
AoGAGRzwwir7Xvb0Ay5tM/uV6e+Zf6anZzus1s1Y1ClbjbE6HXbnWWF/wbZG0pet
3Zm4vD6MXc7jpTLryzTQIvVdfQbRc6+MUVeLKwZatTXtdZrhu+Jk7hx0nTPy8Jcb
uJqFk541aEw+mMogY/xEcfbWd6IOkp+4xqjlFLBEDytgbIECQQDvH/E6nk+hgN4H
qzzVtxxr397vWrjrIgPbJpQvBsafG7b0dA4AFjwVbFLmQcj2PprIMmPcQrooz8vp
jy4SHEg1AkEA/v13/5M47K9vCxmb8QeD/asydfsgS5TeuNi8DoUBEmiSJwma7FXy
fFUtxuvL7XvjwjN5B30pNEbc6Iuyt7y4MQJBAIt21su4b3sjXNueLKH85Q+phy2U
fQtuUE9txblTu14q3N7gHRZB4ZMhFYyDy8CKrN2cPg/Fvyt0Xlp/DoCzjA0CQQDU
y2ptGsuSmgUtWj3NM9xuwYPm+Z/F84K6+ARYiZ6PYj013sovGKUffYAqVXVlxtIX
qyUBnu3X9ps8ZfjLZ07BAkEALT4R5Yl6cGhaJQYZH0de3JEMhNRcVFM08dJDaFeo
f90eos0UUothgiDktdQHxdNEwLjQf7LJJbZv+50tswswCWA==
-----END RSA TESTING KEY-----
```

Nope still fails. Even if I change the header and footer to -----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY----- and so on, there is no effect.

Flags I have tried and failed

- TISC20{d38fa9a877cd20976238a7381f80f73b5ce40330e02adee8045435b569ad8e2c}
- TISC20{17d4103d53fd8542fe28c914b92aeaeae05a808927a0a6359c9b4ec45b184b1b}
- TISC20{867fc2756be891892d56eadd5c275d9d2d0146972b0f4d6decfc5f2ee51a3a5d}
- TISC20{2effaa383cfb3430ca040a3159a877b8ac38d933c7a7f529194e1531a3016e07}
- TISC20{8ea0df3e76c622131aaa5b50981093c84e1b886abe7259916bd5423b53c4741f}
- TISC20{7f85734b9dcd34e2b20aebeabe184b6f0877f35b47c42474304c15b16375179d}

Couldn't finish in time

Welp I couldn't finish this in time. Nevertheless, it seemed like an interesting challenge, and I learnt somethings about UPX packing binaries, .rodata, Go binaries (I still couldn't really read the code though) and stuff.