

## NULL Pointer Dereference in radareorg/radare2

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### NULL pointer dereference in load\_buffer

radare2 suffers from a NULL pointer dereference error in `load_buffer` of `bin_xnu_kernelcache.c`

### Environment

date

Fri Jan 28 11:03:53 PST 2022

uname -ms

Linux x86\_64

./radare2 -v

radare2 5.5.5 27531 @ linux-x86-64 git.5.5.4

commit: 715c4e0ff14aadd4026c182626502df3f3a620ab build: 2022-01-28\_\_08:00:4

### ASAN

Address sanitizer output :

./radare2 -qq -AA nullpointerdereference

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==54209==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: SEGV on unknown address 0x000000000000 (p

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==54209==The signal is caused by a **WRITE** memory access.

==54209==Hint: address points to the zero page.

```
#0 0x7f9148ecf485 in load_buffer /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/libr/
#1 0x7f9148c0fcee in r_bin_object_new /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/
#2 0x7f9148c0a779 in r_bin_file_new_from_buffer /home/shad3/Desktop/rac
#3 0x7f9148be8bf3 in r_bin_open_buf /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/li
#4 0x7f9148be9279 in r_bin_open_io /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/li
#5 0x7f9149b79010 in r_core_file_do_load_for_io_plugin /home/shad3/Desk
#6 0x7f9149b7a8f6 in r_core_bin_load /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/l
#7 0x7f914df1fdc4 in r_main_radare2 /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/li
#8 0x556796be6204 in main /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/binr/radare2
#9 0x7f914db05bf6 in __libc_start_main (/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
#10 0x556796be5d79 in _start (/home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/binr/rac
```

AddressSanitizer can not provide additional info.

SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: SEGV /home/shad3/Desktop/radare2-asan/libr/../../../../

==54209==ABORTING



## Explanation of the vulnerability

The vulnerability lies in the file

radare2/libr/bin/p/bin\_xnu\_kernelcache.c

Please consider the following code:

```
static bool load_buffer(RBinFile *bf, void **bin_obj, RBuffer *buf, ut64 lc
...
189 RKernelCacheObj *obj = NULL; // 1

191 RPrelinkRange *prelink_range = get_prelink_info_range_from_mach0 (main_
192 if (!prelink_range) {
193     goto beach; // 2
194 }

....
```

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```
243 beach:
244 r_buf_free (fbuf);
245 obj->cache_buf = NULL;          // 3
244 MACH0_(mach0_free) (main_mach0);
245 return false;
```



In case where the `get_prelink_info_range_from_mach0` fails (2) and the returned value is zero the program will crash with a segfault at line 245 (3) since the `obj` pointer is being dereferenced, while being set as NULL on line 189 (1). (Write on address 0x0)

## Attached POC

You can find the attached poc that triggers the vulnerability in the following link

Password : A7htCTD6Oli6rf1Waoz1

[nullpointerdereference](#)

Run as:

```
./radare2 -qq -AA nullpointerdereference
```

### CVE

CVE-2022-0419

(Published)

### Vulnerability Type

CWE-476: NULL Pointer Dereference

### Severity

Medium (5.9)

### Visibility

Public

### Status

Fixed

### Found by



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We are processing your report and will contact the **radareorg/radare2** team within 24 hours.

10 months ago

We have contacted a member of the **radareorg/radare2** team and are waiting to hear back

10 months ago

**pancake** validated this vulnerability 10 months ago

**Angelos T. Kalaitzidis** has been awarded the disclosure bounty ✓

The fix bounty is now up for grabs

**pancake** marked this as fixed in **5.6.0** with commit **feaa4e** 10 months ago

The fix bounty has been dropped ✗

This vulnerability will not receive a CVE ✗

**Angelos** 10 months ago

Researcher

@admin the description on the published CVE, seems to be wrong, can you please change that, thank you.

**Jamie Slome** 10 months ago

Admin

Updating it here:  
<https://github.com/CVEProject/cvelist/pull/4292>

Once this has been merged the CVE should be populated and corrected. Not sure what happened here, apologies!

**pancake** 10 months ago

Maintainer

The correct version is 5.6.0, sorry for my mistake here. Could you make another one that? Should I?

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@truefae - resolved [here](#). Once this has been merged the CVE will be updated to reflect 5.6.0.

Thanks! 🙌

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