

Project 13: Using Kernel Debugging Commands with WinDbg (15 pts.)

What You Need

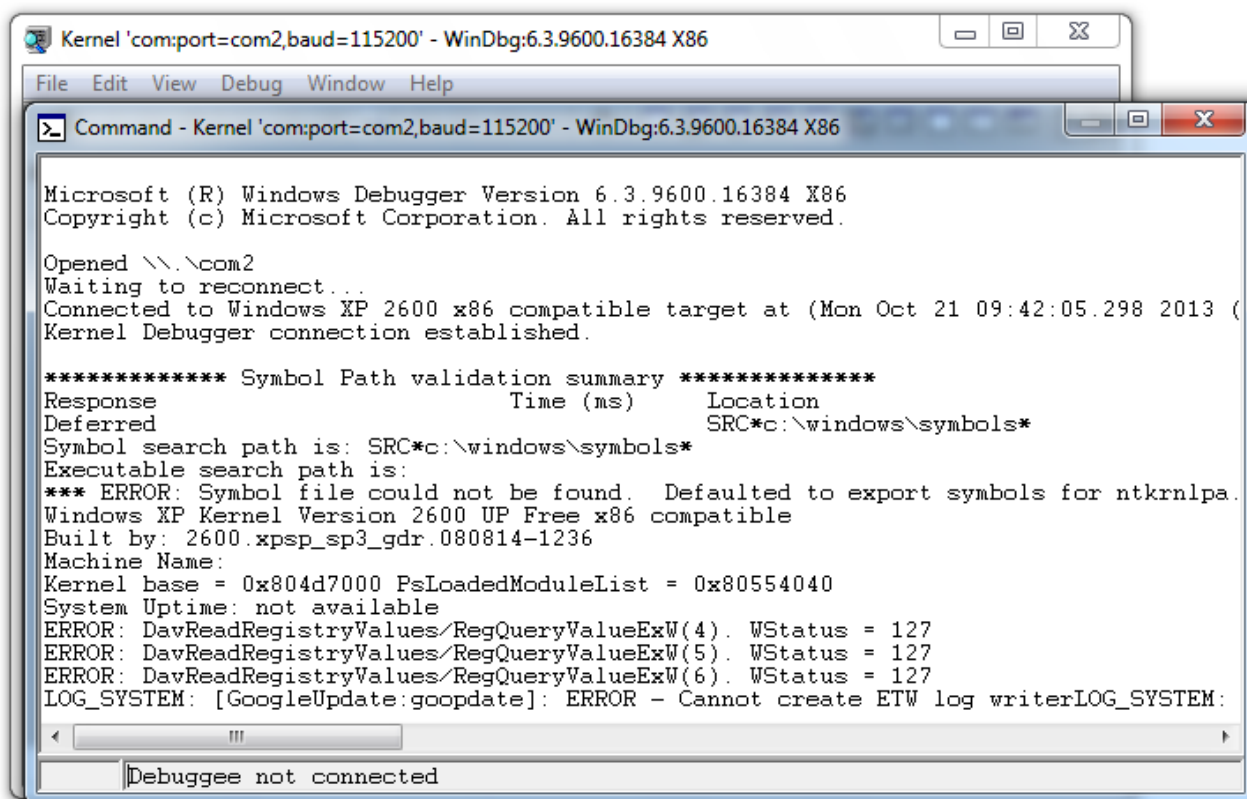
- A WINDBG machine with WinDbg installed, connected to a TARGET Windows XPSP3 virtual machine, as prepared in the previous project.

Purpose

Practice using simple WinDbg commands.

Starting Configuration

You should have a Windows XP SP3 TARGET machine running in debug mode, connected to a Windows WINDBG machine running WinDbg, showing the message "**Connected to Windows XP**", as shown below:



Notice the status bar at the bottom of the WinDbg window, saying "Debuggee not connected".

That means that even though the serial connection is working, the kernel on the target machine has not been interrupted by WinDbg yet.

To start executing WinDbg commands, you need to break in to the kernel.

Breaking In

From the WinDbg menu bar, click **Debug, Break**.

A message appears, saying you have broken in, ending with an "int 3" instruction, showing that you have hit a breakpoint, as shown below:

```

Kernel 'com:port=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86
File Edit View Debug Window Help
*** ERROR: Symbol file could not be found. Defaulted to export symbols for ntkrnlpa.exe -
Windows XP Kernel Version 2600 (Service Pack 3) UP Free x86 compatible
Product: WinNt, suite: TerminalServer SingleUserTS
Built by: 2600.xpsp_sp3_gdr.080814-1236
Machine Name:
Kernel base = 0x804d7000 PsLoadedModuleList = 0x80554040
Debug session time: Mon Oct 21 14:15:43.265 2013 (UTC - 7:00)
System Uptime: 0 days 0:00:04.859
LOG_SYSTEM: [GoogleUpdate:goopdate]: ERROR - Cannot create ETW log writerLOG_SYSTEM: [Googl
ERROR: DavReadRegistryValues/RegQueryValueExW(5). WStatus = 127
ERROR: DavReadRegistryValues/RegQueryValueExW(6). WStatus = 127
Break instruction exception - code 80000003 (first chance)
*****
* You are seeing this message because you pressed either
* CTRL+C (if you run console kernel debugger) or,
* CTRL+BREAK (if you run GUI kernel debugger),
* on your debugger machine's keyboard.
*
* THIS IS NOT A BUG OR A SYSTEM CRASH
*
* If you did not intend to break into the debugger, press the "g" key, then
* press the "Enter" key now. This message might immediately reappear. If it
* does, press "g" and "Enter" again.
*
*****
nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus+0x4:
80527bec cc int 3
kd>

```

Press **Enter** to get a **kd>** prompt, as shown above.

Listing Modules with lm

With the focus on WinDbg, type

lm

and then press the Enter key.

The characters you type appear in the status bar, at the bottom of the window, but when you press Enter they move into the main window and show the output, as shown below:

```

Command - Kernel 'com:port=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86
*****
nt!DbgBreakPointWithStatus+0x4:
80527bec cc          int      3
kd>
kd> lm
start      end             module name
804d7000 806cf680 nt                (export symbols)      ntkrnlpa.exe
af785000 af7a7100 RDPWD             (deferred)
af7d0000 af810a80 HTTP             (deferred)
af951000 af974180 Fastfat          (deferred)
aff65000 affb6800 srv              (deferred)
b00a7000 b00d3180 mrxdav           (deferred)
b0148000 b014a080 vmemctl          (deferred)
b0422000 b0436480 wdmaud           (deferred)
b058f000 b059dd80 sysaudio         (deferred)
b075b000 b075e900 ndisuio          (deferred)
b07a7000 b07be900 dump_atapi       (deferred)
b082a000 b084f500 ipnat            (deferred)
b0850000 b08bf280 mrxsmb           (deferred)
b08e8000 b0912e80 rdbss            (deferred)
b0913000 b0935800 vmhgs            (deferred)
b0936000 b0957d00 afd              (deferred)
b0958000 b098f180 tcpip6           (deferred)
b0990000 b09b7c00 netbt            (deferred)
b09b8000 b0a10380 tcpip            (deferred)
b0a11000 b0a23600 ipsec            (deferred)
b9b39000 b9b3b900 Dxapi            (deferred)
b9b45000 b9b47f80 mouhid           (deferred)
b9b49000 b9b4h880 hidush           (deferred)
kd>

```

Scroll back to see the **lm** command you entered, and the first few loaded kernel modules.

You should see the module named **nt** at the top, as shown above.

This is Ntoskrnl, the main kernel module.

Viewing Memory

In WinDbg, execute this command:

dd nt

You see the first several bytes of Ntoskrnl.exe, as shown below.

This may be more familiar in ASCII.

In WinDbg, execute this command:

da nt

You see the characters "MZ" --they are at the start of every EXE file.

```


kd> dd nt
804d7000 00905a4d 00000003 00000004 0000ffff
804d7010 000000b8 00000000 00000040 00000000
804d7020 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
804d7030 00000000 00000000 00000000 000000e0
804d7040 0eba1f0e cd09b400 4c01b821 685421cd
804d7050 70207369 72676f72 63206d61 6f6e6e61
804d7060 65622074 6e757220 206e6920 20534f44
804d7070 65646f6d 0a0d0d2e 00000024 00000000
kd> da nt
804d7000 "MZ."

```

In WinDbg, execute this command:

da nt+4c

You see the message "**This program cannot be run in DOS mode**", as shown below:



```

Kernel 'comport=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86
File Edit View Debug Window Help
[Icons]
Command - Kernel 'comport=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86
804d7000 00905a4d 00000003 00000004 0000ffff
804d7010 000000b8 00000000 00000040 00000000
804d7020 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
804d7030 00000000 00000000 00000000 000000e0
804d7040 0ebaf0e cd09b400 4c01b821 685421cd
804d7050 70207369 72676f72 63206d61 6f6e6e61
804d7060 65622074 6e757220 206e6920 20534f44
804d7070 65646f6d 0a0d0d2e 00000024 00000000
kd> da nt
804d7000 "MZ."
kd>
804d7000 "MZ."
kd> dd nt
804d7000 00905a4d 00000003 00000004 0000ffff
804d7010 000000b8 00000000 00000040 00000000
804d7020 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
804d7030 00000000 00000000 00000000 000000e0
804d7040 0ebaf0e cd09b400 4c01b821 685421cd
804d7050 70207369 72676f72 63206d61 6f6e6e61
804d7060 65622074 6e757220 206e6920 20534f44
804d7070 65646f6d 0a0d0d2e 00000024 00000000
kd> da nt
804d7000 "MZ."
kd> da nt+40
804d7040 "...."
kd> da nt+4c
804d704c ".!This program cannot be run in "
804d706c "DOS mode....$"
kd>

```

Saving a Screen Image

Make sure you can see the message "**This program cannot be run in DOS mode**", as shown above.

On your keyboard, press the PrntScrn key.

Click **Start**, type in **PAINT**, and open Paint.

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Searching for Functions

In WinDbg, execute this command:

```
x nt!*
```

This finds all the functions in Ntoskrnl.

There are a lot of them, as shown below:

```

Command - Kernel 'com:port=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86
804d7000 "MZ."
kd> da nt+40
804d7040 "...."
kd> da nt+4c
804d704c ".!This program cannot be run in "
804d706c "DOS mode....$"
kd> u nt!NtCreateProcess
Couldn't resolve error at 'nt!NtCreateProcess'
kd> x nt
kd> x nt!*
804d7aa0 nt!FsRtlLegalAnsiCharacterArray (<no parameter info>)
804e0638 nt!CcCanIWrite (<no parameter info>)
804e0884 nt!CcCopyWrite (<no parameter info>)
804e0b20 nt!CcFastCopyWrite (<no parameter info>)
804e0d3e nt!CcDeferWrite (<no parameter info>)
804e0dea nt!CcSetReadAheadGranularity (<no parameter info>)
804e1276 nt!CcSetDirtyPinnedData (<no parameter info>)
804e1518 nt!CcGetFlushedValidData (<no parameter info>)
804e1664 nt!CcRemapBcb (<no parameter info>)
804e16ac nt!CcRepinBcb (<no parameter info>)
804e1c0a nt!CcScheduleReadAhead (<no parameter info>)
804e2a3c nt!CcUnpinRepinnedBcb (<no parameter info>)
804e352c nt!CcFlushCache (<no parameter info>)
804e3e48 nt!CcSetAdditionalCacheAttributes (<no parameter info>)
804e3f90 nt!CcGetDirtyPages (<no parameter info>)
804e4168 nt!CcIsThereDirtyData (<no parameter info>)
804e4200 nt!CcGetLsnForFileObject (<no parameter info>)
804e461e nt!CcSetDirtyPageThreshold (<no parameter info>)
804e4652 nt!CcGetFileObjectFromSectionPtrs (<no parameter info>)
804e4682 nt!CcGetFileObjectFromBcb (<no parameter info>)
kd>

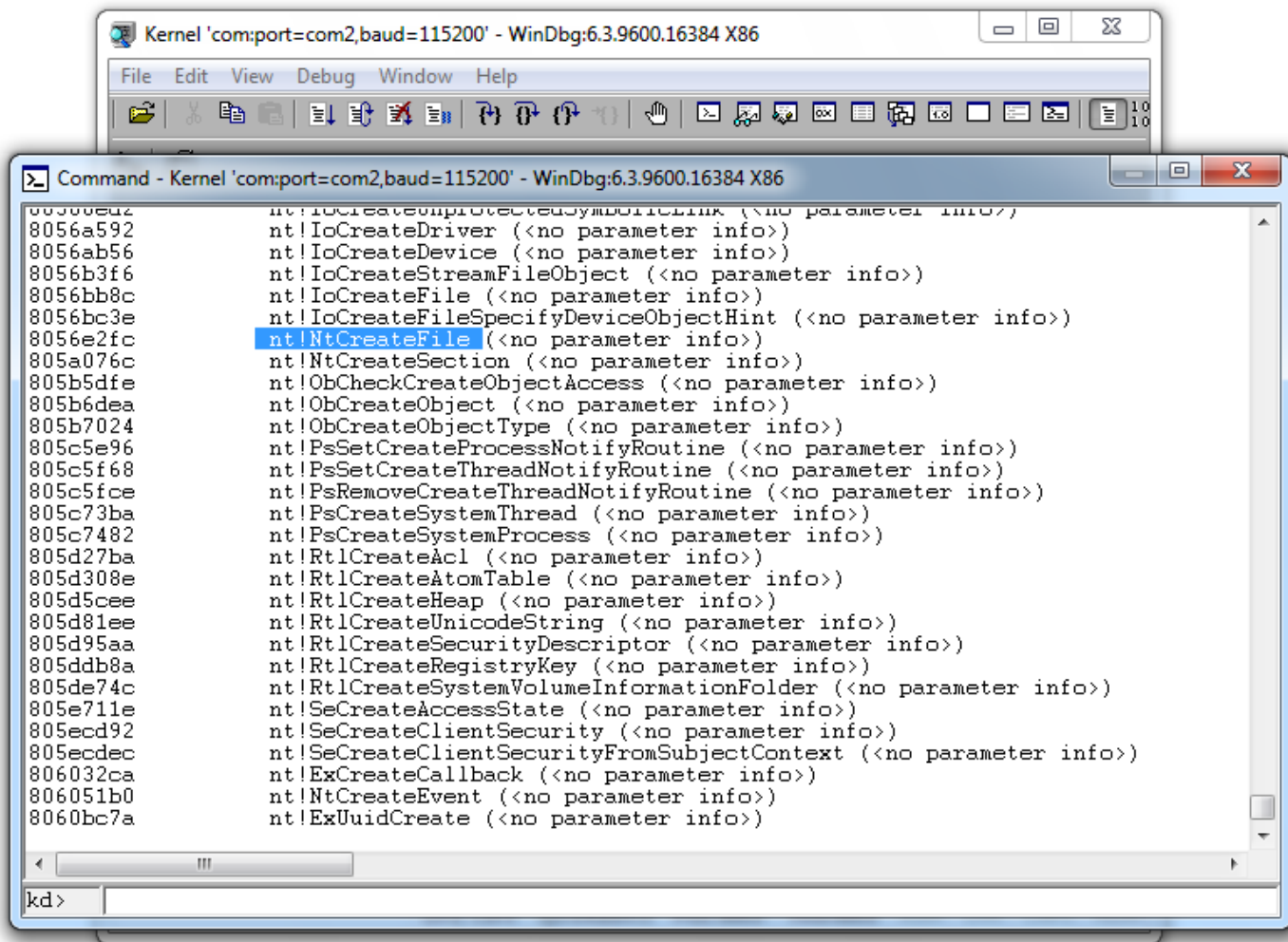
```

In WinDbg, execute this command:

x nt!*Create*

This finds all the functions in Ntoskrnl that contain the word "Create".

There are a lot of them, including "nt!NtCreateFile", as highlighted below:



Unassembling a Function

In WinDbg, execute this command:

u nt!NtCreateFile

This shows the first few bytes of the function, disassembled, as shown below:

```
kd> u nt!NtCreateFile
nt!NtCreateFile:
8056e2fc 8bff      mov     edi,edi
8056e2fe 55        push   ebp
8056e2ff 8bec      mov     ebp,esp
8056e301 33c0      xor     eax,eax
8056e303 50        push   eax
8056e304 50        push   eax
8056e305 50        push   eax
8056e306 ff7530    push   dword ptr [ebp+30h]
```


To see more of this function, it helps to use the WinDbg Disassembly window.

From the WinDbg menu bar, click **View, Disassembly**.

In the Offset bar at the top, enter

nt!NtCreateFile

Resize this window to make the entire function visible, as highlighted below:



```

Disassembly - Kernel 'com:port=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86
Offset: nt!NtCreateFile
8056e2ee e4e8      in      al,0E8h
8056e2f0 679c      pushfd
8056e2f2 fc        cld
8056e2f3 ffc2      inc     edx
8056e2f5 1400      adc     al,0
8056e2f7 cc      int     3
8056e2f8 cc      int     3
8056e2f9 cc      int     3
8056e2fa cc      int     3
8056e2fb cc      int     3
nt!NtCreateFile:
8056e2fc 8bff      mov     edi,edi
8056e2fe 55        push    ebp
8056e2ff 8bec      mov     ebp,esp
8056e301 33c0      xor     eax,eax
8056e303 50        push    eax
8056e304 50        push    eax
8056e305 50        push    eax
8056e306 ff7530   push    dword ptr [ebp+30h]
8056e309 ff752c   push    dword ptr [ebp+2Ch]
8056e30c ff7528   push    dword ptr [ebp+28h]
8056e30f ff7524   push    dword ptr [ebp+24h]
8056e312 ff7520   push    dword ptr [ebp+20h]
8056e315 ff751c   push    dword ptr [ebp+1Ch]
8056e318 ff7518   push    dword ptr [ebp+18h]
8056e31b ff7514   push    dword ptr [ebp+14h]
8056e31e ff7510   push    dword ptr [ebp+10h]
8056e321 ff750c   push    dword ptr [ebp+0Ch]
8056e324 ff7508   push    dword ptr [ebp+8]
8056e327 e860d8ffff call    nt!IoCreateFile (8056bb8c)
8056e32c 5d        pop     ebp
8056e32d c22c00    ret     2Ch
8056e330 cc      int     3
8056e331 cc      int     3
8056e332 cc      int     3
8056e333 cc      int     3
8056e334 cc      int     3
8056e335 cc      int     3
8056e336 6a34      push    34h
8056e338 68a0884d80 push    offset nt!FsRtlLegalAnsiCharacterArray+0xe00 (804d88)
8056e33d e8de9bfcff call    nt!wctomb+0x45 (80537f20)
8056e342 33db      xor     ebx,ebx
8056e344 8b4d3c   mov     ecx,dword ptr [ebp+3Ch]
8056e347 3bc8      cmp     ecx,ebx

```

Saving a Screen Image

Make sure you have highlighted the entire function, as shown above.

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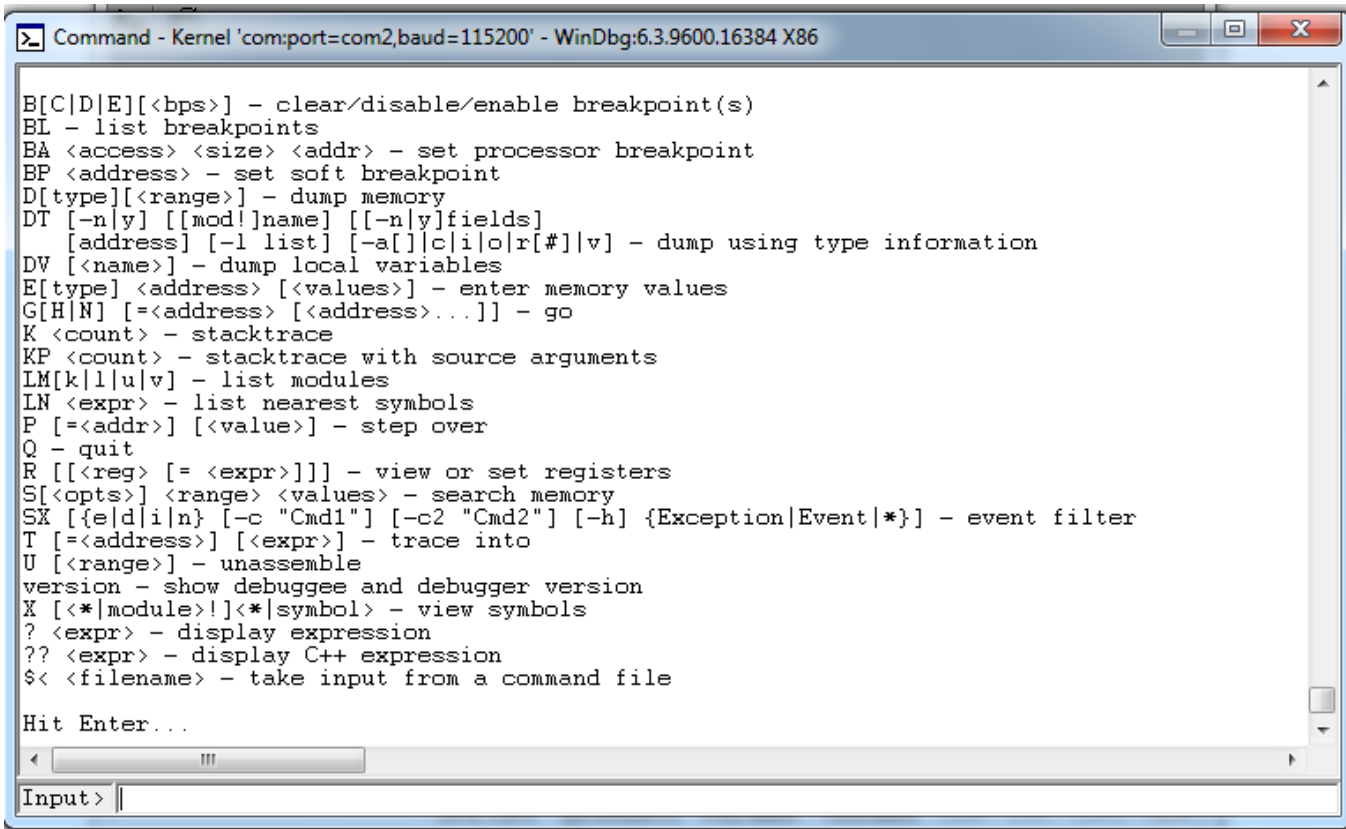
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Online Help

In WinDbg, execute this command:

?

You see the first page of the online help, as shown below:



```

Command - Kernel 'com:port=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86

B[C|D|E][<bps>] - clear/disable/enable breakpoint(s)
BL - list breakpoints
BA <access> <size> <addr> - set processor breakpoint
BP <address> - set soft breakpoint
D[type][<range>] - dump memory
DT [-n|y] [[mod!]name] [[-n|y]fields]
  [address] [-l list] [-a[]|c|i|o|r[#]|v] - dump using type information
DV [<name>] - dump local variables
E[type] <address> [<values>] - enter memory values
G[H|N] [=<address> [<address>...]] - go
K <count> - stacktrace
KP <count> - stacktrace with source arguments
LM[k|l|u|v] - list modules
LN <expr> - list nearest symbols
P [=<addr>] [<value>] - step over
Q - quit
R [[<reg> [= <expr>]]] - view or set registers
S[<opts>] <range> <values> - search memory
SX [{e|d|i|n} [-c "Cmd1"] [-c2 "Cmd2"] [-h] {Exception|Event|*}] - event filter
T [=<address>] [<expr>] - trace into
U [<range>] - unassemble
version - show debuggee and debugger version
X [<[*|module>!]<[*|symbol>] - view symbols
? <expr> - display expression
?? <expr> - display C++ expression
$< <filename> - take input from a command file

Hit Enter...

Input>

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Press Enter to see the other page.

Examining the tcpip Module

In WinDbg, execute this command:

u tcpip

This shows the first few bytes of the tcpip module, disassembled, as shown below:

```

-----
kd> u tcpip
tcpip:
b09b8000 4d          dec     ebp
b09b8001 5a          pop     edx
b09b8002 90          nop
b09b8003 0003       add     byte ptr [ebx],al
b09b8005 0000       add     byte ptr [eax],al
b09b8007 000400     add     byte ptr [eax+eax],al
b09b800a 0000       add     byte ptr [eax],al
b09b800c ff        ???

```

From the WinDbg menu bar, click **View, Disassembly**.

In the Offset bar, enter

tcpip

You should see the first portion of the tcpip module, as shown below (you may have to wait a few seconds for it to appear, or even close and re-open the Disassembly window):


```

Disassembly - Kernel 'com:port=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86
Offset: tcpip
No prior disassembly possible
tcpip:
b09b8000 4d      dec     ebx
b09b8001 5a      pop     edx
b09b8002 90      nop
b09b8003 0003    add     byte ptr [ebx].al
b09b8005 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8007 000400  add     byte ptr [eax+eax].al
b09b800a 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b800c ff      ???
b09b800d ff00    inc     dword ptr [eax]
b09b800f 00b800000000 add     byte ptr [eax].bh
b09b8015 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8017 004000  add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b801a 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b801c 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b801e 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8020 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8022 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8024 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8026 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8028 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b802a 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b802c 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b802e 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8030 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8032 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8034 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8036 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8038 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b803a 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b803c d800    fadd    dword ptr [eax]
b09b803e 0000    add     byte ptr [eax].al
b09b8040 0e      push    cs
b09b8041 1f      pop     ds
b09b8042 ba0e00b409 mov     edx, 9B4000Eh
b09b8047 cd21    int     21h
b09b8049 b8014ccd21 mov     eax, 21CD4C01h
b09b804e 54      push    esp
b09b804f 6869732070 push    70207369h
b09b8054 726f    jnb     tcpip+0xc5 (b09b80c5)
b09b8056 677261  jnb     tcpip+0xba (b09b80ba)
b09b8059 6d      ins     dword ptr es:[edi], dx
b09b805a 206361  and     byte ptr [ebx+61h], ah
b09b805d 6e      outs    dx, byte ptr [esi]
b09b805e 6e      outs    dx, byte ptr [esi]

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Press the PageDown key about 14 times, depending on the size of your window, until you find a reference to **tcpip!SendICMPErr**, as highlighted below:



Disassembly - Kernel 'com:port=com2,baud=115200' - WinDbg:6.3.9600.16384 X86

Offset: tcpip

Offset	Disassembly	Comment
b09b8362 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8364 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8366 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8368 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b836a 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b836c 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b836e 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8370 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8372 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8374 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8376 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8378 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b837a 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b837c 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b837e 0000	add byte ptr [eax],al	
b09b8380 90	nop	
b09b8381 90	nop	
b09b8382 90	nop	
b09b8383 90	nop	
b09b8384 90	nop	
b09b8385 ff25f0749fb0	jmp dword ptr [tcpip!SendICMPErr+0xa796 (b09f74f0)]	
b09b838b 90	nop	
b09b838c 90	nop	
b09b838d 90	nop	
b09b838e 90	nop	
b09b838f 90	nop	
b09b8390 ff255c769fb0	jmp dword ptr [tcpip!SendICMPErr+0xa902 (b09f765c)]	
b09b8396 90	nop	
b09b8397 90	nop	
b09b8398 90	nop	
b09b8399 90	nop	
b09b839a 90	nop	
b09b839b ff2570769fb0	jmp dword ptr [tcpip!SendICMPErr+0xa916 (b09f7670)]	
b09b83a1 90	nop	
b09b83a2 90	nop	
b09b83a3 90	nop	
b09b83a4 90	nop	
b09b83a5 90	nop	
tcpip!IPRcvComplete:		
b09b83a6 8bff	mov edi,edi	
b09b83a8 57	push edi	
b09b83a9 33ff	xor edi,edi	
b09b83ab 393dc89a9fb0	cmp dword ptr [tcpip!SendICMPErr+0xcd6e (b09f9ac8)],edi	
b09b83b1 7e1a	jle tcpip!IPRcvComplete+0x27 (b09b83cd)	
b09b83b3 56	push esi	
b09b83b4 baf99a9fb0	mov esi,offset tcpip!SendICMPErr+0xcd9f (b09f9af9)	

Saving a Screen Image

Make sure you have highlighted **tcpip!SendICMPErr**, as shown above.

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