Disassemble Memory File

Memory.DMP used in post-mortem debugging can be processed without "Debugging Tools for Windows", particularly to obtain a call tree for a given function.

uf nt!HalGetBusDataByOffset

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→uf nt!HalpGetPCIData

uf nt!HalpReadPCIConfig

uf nt!memcpy

uf nt!_security_check_cookie

→uf nt!HalpGetSetCmosData

uf nt!HalpAcquireCmosSpinLock

uf nt!guard_dispatch_icall (N/A)
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UfSymbol.ps1 operates by storing the disassembly on a local database. The disassembly is separated into individual function bodies. The root body contains the symbol requested by the user. A dependency graph is built either upstream, representing all the callers of the function, or downstream representing the callees. Care must be taken when specifying <code>-Depth</code>:

• generic functions have many callers; ie. 1118 matches for nt!KeBugCheckEx at -Depth 1.

\$StopDisassembly is a symbol table where parsing stops: KeYieldProcessorEx calls other functions that are minute, memset, atoi, KeStallExecutionProcessor, IofCompleteRequest are not explored.

Sample output builds the call tree for nt!KiSystemStartup.

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PS > (Measure-Command {
     $Image = 'D:\DataLake\2025-04-28\MEMORY.DMP'
     & '.\UfSymbol.ps1' -Symbol nt!KiSystemStartup -Image $Image -Depth 4 -Down | Out-Default
}).TotalSeconds
```

File "D:\DataLake\2025-01-28\MEMORY.DMP" of 1194.36 Mb has been processed in 4570 seconds.

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The 1st line gives a heads-up about the disassembly duration: a smaller file was processed in 1.26 hours on the same system.

All cores but 1 execute the decompilation. Once completed, the .meta file contains:

- \bullet OS and computer where the BSOD occurred
- \bullet image path and hash. The hash identifies duplicates, resulting in a decompilation bypass.
- system where disassembly took place, number of cpus alloted, cpu model, duration and image size.
- The default modules used to disassemble the image:
 - for a .dmp file nt, pci, acpi and hal functions are disassembled
 - base name for all others

The .retpoline file is an indirection table for bodies compiled with /guard:cf. Wherever call nt!guard_dispatch_icall is found, the function pointer is resolved in the memory file and displayed.

For nt!KiSystemStartup call tree:

- 1302 callees are identified with -Depth 4, 5318 at depth 6.
- Complete decompilation and identification took **5215** seconds on an "Intel(R) Core(TM) i3-7100U CPU @ 2.40GHz" with 3 cpus.

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uf nt!KdInitSystem
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| uf nt!HalpTimerGetInternalData
| uf nt!HalpTimerScaleCounter
| uf nt!HalpTimerScaleCounter
| uf nt!ExAllocatePool2
| uf nt!_security_check_cookie
| uf nt!MmGetPagedPoolCommitPointer
| uf nt!KdRegisterDebuggerDataBlock
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uf nt!PpmUpdatePerformanceFeedback
uf nt!guard_dispatch_icall (nt!_security_cookie
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nt!HalpOriginalPerformanceCounter
nt!HalPrivateDispatchTable+0x1b0=nt!HalpProcessorPrepareForIdle
nt!HalPrivateDispatchTable+0x1c0=nt!HalpProcessorResumeFromIdle
nt!HalpTimerReferencePage
nt!HalPrivateDispatchTable+0x418=nt!HalpLbrResumeRecording
nt!HalPrivateDispatchTable+0x2f8=nt!HalpTimerClockStop
nt!PopCsConsumption+0x140)

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-Setup is a text based guide that configures the directory where disassemblies are stored. A symbol path can be specified, a lower limit can trigger a warning if other disassemblies overlast it. Disassembly duration and system, cpu model, file size can be suppressed from future .meta files.

Notes

- Decompilation-ready processing is useful in support cases where the *Memory.DMP* file cannot be provided. Implementation differences between OS versions are also visible. A .dmp file contains the dependencies from all modules, can trip the decompiler with inappropriate function bodies. This shortcoming does not apply to user mode. An excutable solves all functions, cannot solve dependencies.
- PowerShell Core is required. Desktop 5.1 is slow.
- Hotpaths are moved to inflight *CSharp* assembly. Decompilation can be **8 times** faster.
- UfSymbol is meant for USB migration. No internet connection is needed.
- Where (N/A) appears in rendering:
 - the indirection table has no corresponding target symbol ie. register is used.
 - the function is missing the body either due to absent module, or a large body has been decompiled and trimmed.
- .retpoline build is not parallelized.
- The initial objective was GUI rendering through SVG. Now, with broad trees being discovered, a point-and-click is thought to be cumbersome. Console layout satisfies the needs.

```
PS > $prefix = "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/armaber/scripts/refs/heads/disasm/";
    "functions.ps1", "UfSymbol.ps1" | foreach {
        Invoke-WebRequest $prefix/DisassembleImage/$PSItem -OutFile $PSItem;
    }
    Get-Help .\UfSymbol.ps1 -Full;
```