

gdb: example

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

#include "show.h"

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    double a[10], sum;
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
        a[i] = sqrt(i);
    for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
        sum += a[i];
    printResult("sum", sum);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

array-bounds.c

```
#ifndef SHOW_HDR
#define SHOW_HDR

void printResult(char *name,
                 double r);

#endif
```

show.h

```
#include <stdio.h>

void printResult(char *name,
                 double r) {
    printf("%s = %f\n",
           name, r);
}
```

show.c

```
$ ./a.out
sum = 22.468278
```

Oops!
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```
octave:1> sum(sqrt([0:9]))
ans = 19.306
```

gdb: compiling code & starting gdb

- Compile program for debugging

```
$ gcc -g2 array-bounds.c show.c
```

- Running under gdb control: start gdb

```
$ gdb ./a.out
GNU gdb 6.8.0.20080328-cvs (cygwin-special)
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and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "i686-pc-cygwin"...
(gdb)
```

gdb: listing source code

- Listing code 10 line window: l(ist)

```
(gdb) l
1      #include <math.h>
2      #include <stdio.h>
3      #include <stdlib.h>
4
5      #include "show.h"
6
7      int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
8          double a[10], sum;
9          int i;
10         for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
```

- L (gdb) l
11 a[i] = sqrt(i);
12 for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
13 sum += a[i];
14 printf("sum = %lf\n", sum);
15 return EXIT_SUCCESS;
16 }
17

gdb: listing source code

- Listing code 10 line window around line 9:

```
1 (gdb) l 9
4
5     #include "show.h"
6
7     int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
8         double a[10], sum;
9         int i;
10        for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
11            a[i] = sqrt(i);
12        for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
13            sum += a[i];
```

- L (gdb) l 10,13
10 for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
11 a[i] = sqrt(i);
12 for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
13 sum += a[i];
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gdb: listing source code

- Listing function: `l <func>`

```
(gdb) l main
2      #include <stdio.h>
3      #include <stdlib.h>
4
5      #include "show.h"
6
7      int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
8          double a[10], sum;
9          int i;
10         for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
11             a[i] = sqrt(i);
```

- `l show.c:printResult`
1 #include <stdio.h>
2
3 void printResult(char *name, double r) {
4 printf("%s = %f\n", name, r);
5 }
6

gdb: running a program

- Run the code: `r(un)`

```
(gdb) r
Starting program: ./a
[New thread 13704.0x32e0]
[New thread 13704.0x2110]
sum = 22.468278


Program exited normally.
```

- Not so interesting, but one can
 - Set breakpoints
 - Set conditional breakpoints
 - Watch stuff

gdb: breakpoints


- Set breakpoint at line number: b(reak)

```
< (gdb) b 10  
Breakpoint 1 at 0x401199: file array-bounds.c, line 10.  
(gdb) r
```

```
8      double a[10], sum;  
9      int i;  
10      for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)  
11         a[i] = sqrt(i);  
12     for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
```

array-bounds.c

```
(gdb) b printResult  
Breakpoint 1 at 0x40123a: file show.c, line 4.  
(gdb) r
```

```
1      #include <stdio.h>  
2  
3      void printResult(char *name, double r) {  
4       printf("%s = %f\n", name, r);  
5      }
```

show.c

`gdb: at breakpoints`

- Inspect value of variables: `p(rint) <var>`
- Proceed execution by
 - Stepping
 - With descending into subroutines: `s(tep)`
 - Without descending into subroutines: `n(ext)`
 - Until next statement: `u(ntil)`
 - Continuing to next breakpoint: `c(ontinue)`
- Handle breakpoints
 - List: `i(nfo) b(reakpoints)`
 - Remove: `d(etele) <bn>`
 - Disable/enable: `disable <bn>/enable <bn>`

gdb: example stepping

```
(gdb) b main
Breakpoint 1 at 0x401194: file array-bounds.c, line 7.
(gdb) r
Starting program: /cygdrive/c/Users/lucg5005/Documents/My
Dropbox/Projects/HPC/Samples/DebuggingProfiling/trunk/Gdb/a
[New thread 11372.0x352c]
[New thread 11372.0x322c]

Breakpoint 1, main () at array-bounds.c:7
7      int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
(gdb) n
10          for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
(gdb)
11              a[i] = sqrt(i);
(gdb) p i
$1 = 0
(gdb) n
10          for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
(gdb)
11              a[i] = sqrt(i);
(gdb) p a
$2 = {0, 1, 8.0461413318721078e-315, 0, 4.7233218921966505e+192,
4.7151331558996709e+192, 2.9835385156662606e-314,
4.0742432477169204e-312, 5.0488079539729615e-314,
3.5150220537551154e+159}
```

gdb: counted steps

```
(gdb) b 11
Breakpoint 3 at 0x4011a2: file array-bounds.c, line 11.
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 3, main () at array-bounds.c:11
11          a[i] = sqrt(i);
(gdb) p i
$1 = 0
(gdb) c 5
Will ignore next 4 crossings of breakpoint 3. Continuing.

Breakpoint 3, main () at array-bounds.c:11
11          a[i] = sqrt(i);
(gdb) p i
$2 = 5
```

gdb: example handling breakpoints

```
(gdb) b 12
Breakpoint 2 at 0x4011e1: file array-bounds.c, line 12.
(gdb) i b
Num      Type           Disp Enb Address      What
1        breakpoint      keep y   0x00401194 in main at array-bounds.c:7
          breakpoint already hit 1 time
2        breakpoint      keep y   0x004011e1 in main at array-bounds.c:12
(gdb) delete 1
(gdb) info breakpoints
Num      Type           Disp Enb Address      What
2        breakpoint      keep y   0x004011e1 in main at array-bounds.c:12
```

```
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 2, main () at array-bounds.c:12
12          for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
(gdb) p a
$3 = {0, 1, 1.4142135623730951, 1.7320508075688772, 2, 2.2360679774997898,
      2.4494897427831779, 2.6457513110645907, 2.8284271247461903, 3}
```

gdb: conditional breakpoint

- Break conditionally: `b <ln> if`

```
(gdb) b 11 if i == 4
Breakpoint 2 at 0x4011a2: file array-bounds.c, line 11.
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 7, main () at array-bounds.c:11
11      a[i] = sqrt(i);
(gdb) p i
$1 = 4
(gdb) c
Continuing.
sum = 22.468278

Program exited normally.
```

Only break when condition holds

gdb: dis/enabling breakpoints

- Disable breakpoint: `disable <bn>`

```
(gdb) b 11
Breakpoint 1 at 0x4011a2: file array-bounds.c, line 11.
(gdb) b 13
Breakpoint 2 at 0x4011ea: file array-bounds.c, line 13.
(gdb) r
Breakpoint 1, main () at array-bounds.c:11
11          a[i] = sqrt(i);
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 1, main () at array-bounds.c:11
11          a[i] = sqrt(i);
(gdb) disable 1
(gdb) c
Continuing.

Breakpoint 2, main () at array-bounds.c:13
13          sum += a[i];
(gdb) i b
Num      Type          Disp Enb Address      What
1        breakpoint     keep n   0x004011a2 in main at array-bounds.c:11
          breakpoint already hit 2 times
2        breakpoint     keep y   0x004011ea in main at array-bounds.c:13
          breakpoint already hit 1 time
```

gdb: issuing commands at break

- Commands associated with breakpoint will be executed each

```
(gdb) b 11
Breakpoint 2 at 0x4011a2: file array-bounds.c, line 11.
(gdb) commands 2
Type commands for when breakpoint 2 is hit, one per line.
End with a line saying just "end".
>silent
>printf "i = %d\n", i
>continue
>end
(gdb) c
Continuing.
i = 0
i = 1
i = 2
...
i = 8
i = 9
i = 10
```

← don't print breakpoint info

← don't stop at breakpoint

gdb: watch

- halt on change: watch <expr>

```
(gdb) b 10
Breakpoint 1 at 0x401199: file array-bounds.c, line 8.
(gdb) r
Starting program: /cygdrive/c/Users/lucg5005/Documents/My
Dropbox/Projects/HPC/Samples/DebuggingProfiling/trunk/Gdb/a
[New thread 4556.0x17ec]
[New thread 4556.0x102c]

Breakpoint 1, main () at array-bounds.c:10
10      for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
(gdb) watch a[5]
Hardware watchpoint 2: a[5]
(gdb) c
Continuing.
Hardware watchpoint 2: a[5]

Old value = 4.7151331558996709e+192
New value = 2.2360679774997898
main () at array-bounds.c:10
10      for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
(gdb) p i
$1 = 5
```

a[5] modified

`gdb: more watch`

- Types of watch points:
 - Halt on write variable: `watch <expr>`
 - Halt on read variable: `rwatch <expr>`
 - Halt on read/write variable: `awatch <expr>`
- List watchpoints: `i(info) watchpoints`
 - Also shows breakpoints
 - Synonym for `i(nfo) b(reakpoints)`
- Removing, disabling/enabling watchpoints
 - Same as for breakpoints

gdb: watch example

```
(gdb) watch sum
Hardware watchpoint 3: sum
(gdb) c
Continuing.
Hardware watchpoint 3: sum

Old value = 5.2844206111867101e+159
New value = 3.1622776601683795
main () at array-bounds.c:10
10      for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
```

Oops, not expected!

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    double a[10], sum;
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i <= 10; i++)
        a[i] = sqrt(i);
    for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
        sum += a[i];
    printResult("sum", sum);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

array-bounds.c

gdb: stack frames

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

long fib(long n) {
    if (n < 2)
        return 1;
    else {
        long a = fib(n-1);
        long b = fib(n-2);
        return a + b;
    }
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    long n = atol(argv[1]);
    printf("fib(%ld) = %ld\n", n, fib(n));
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

fib.c

gdb: backtrace

```
(gdb) b 6
Breakpoint 1 at 0x40118d: file fib.c, line 6.
(gdb) r 5
Starting program: /cygdrive/c/Users/lucg5005/Documents/My
Dropbox/Projects/HPC/Samples/DebuggingProfiling/trunk/Gdb/fib 5
[New thread 7548.0x1ee8]
[New thread 7548.0x2534]

Breakpoint 1, fib (n=1) at fib.c:6
6          return 1;
(gdb) bt
#0  fib (n=1) at fib.c:6
#1  0x004011a4 in fib (n=2) at fib.c:8
#2  0x004011a4 in fib (n=3) at fib.c:8
#3  0x004011a4 in fib (n=4) at fib.c:8
#4  0x004011a4 in fib (n=5) at fib.c:8
#5  0x004011f9 in main (argc=2, argv=0xbd49d8) at fib.c:13
(gdb) frame
#0  fib (n=1) at fib.c:6
6          return 1;
(gdb) frame 1
#1  0x004011a4 in fib (n=2) at fib.c:8
8          return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2);
(gdb) frame 5
#5  0x004011f9 in main (argc=2, argv=0xbd49d8) at fib.c:13
13         printf("fib(%ld) = %ld\n", n, fib(n));
```

`gdb: inspecting frames`

- Getting information
 - Print local variables: `i(nfo) locals`
 - Print all frame info: `i(nfo) f(rame)`
- Moving to other frame
 - Move to another frame: `f(rame) <fn>`
 - Move up a frame: `up`
 - Move down a frame: `down`

gdb: reverse debugging

- For gdb \geq 7.3! (introduced in 7.0)
- Allows to "step back in time", i.e., reverse execution (records changes)
- Slow, so
 - Set breakpoint close to (but before) point of interest
 - Run up to breakpoint, use record
 - Continue till error
 - Step back by reverse-next (rn), reverse-step (rs), reverse-continue (rc)
 - Breakpoints/watch expression should all work

Not mature yet, use with caution!

gdb: multithreaded programs

- OpenMP code

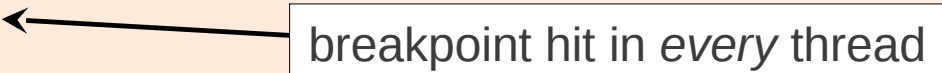
```
program hello_world
  integer*4 nthreads, tid, &
    &      OMP_GET_NUM_THREADS, OMP_GET_THREAD_NUM
  ! Fork a team of threads giving them their own copies of variables
  !$OMP PARALLEL PRIVATE(nthreads, tid)
  ! Obtain thread number
  tid = OMP_GET_THREAD_NUM()
  print *, 'Hello World from thread = ', tid
  ! Only master thread does this
  if (tid == 0) then
    nthreads = OMP_GET_NUM_THREADS()
    print *, 'Number of threads = ', nthreads
  end if
  ! All threads join master thread and disband
  !$OMP END PARALLEL
end program hello_world
```

Hello-world.f90

gdb: switching threads

- thread <tn> to switch

```
(gdb) b 11  
(gdb) r  
Starting program: hello  
[New thread 0xb7fe7b70 (LWP 1432)]  
[Switching to thread 0xb7fe7b70 (LWP 1432)]  
Breakpoint 1, MAIN__.omp_fn.0 (.omp_data_i=0x0) at hello-world.f90:11  
11 print *, 'Hello World from thread = ', tid  
(gdb) info threads  
• 2 Thread 0xb7fe7b70 (LWP 1432)  MAIN__.omp_fn.0 (.omp_data_i=0x0)  
    at hello-world.f90:11  
  1 Thread 0xb7fe8700 (LWP 1429)  MAIN__.omp_fn.0 (.omp_data_i=0x0)  
    at hello-world.f90:11  
(gdb) p tid  
$1 = 1  
(gdb) thread 1  
[Switching to thread 1 (Thread 0xb7fe8700 (LWP 1429))]#0 MAIN__.omp_fn.0  
(.omp_data_i=0x0) at hello-world.f90:11  
11 print *, 'Hello World from thread = ', tid  
(gdb) p tid  
$2 = 0
```



- Break in specific thread b 13 thread 1