



Medium Reverse Engineering picoGym Exclusive Python

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### Description

Can you figure out how this program works to get the flag?

Connect to the program with netcat:

```
$ nc saturn.picoctf.net 54785
```

The program's source code can be downloaded [here](#).

This challenge launches an instance on demand.

Its current status is: **RUNNING**

Instance Time Remaining: **9:12**

[Restart Instance](#)

Disini, untuk running program harus melalui netcat, tidak bisa langsung dari source code karena jika running program dari SC, maka bisa terjadi error terutama ketika mendapatkan flagnya.

Isi program python sebagai berikut :

```
import re
```

```
USER_ALIVE = True
FUNC_TABLE_SIZE = 4
FUNC_TABLE_ENTRY_SIZE = 32
CORRUPT_MESSAGE = 'Table corrupted. Try entering \'reset\' to fix it.'
```

```
func_table = ''
```

```
def reset_table():
    global func_table
```

```
# This table is formatted for easier viewing, but it is really one
line
func_table = \
'''\
print_table           \
read_variable         \
write_variable        \
getRandomNumber       \
'''
```

```
def check_table():
    global func_table
```

```
if( len(func_table) != FUNC_TABLE_ENTRY_SIZE * FUNC_TABLE_SIZE):
    return False
```

```
    return True
```

```
def get_func(n):  
    global func_table
```

```
# Check table for viability  
if( not check_table() ): # Kalo check_table() true justru malah  
corrupt message  
    print(CORRUPT_MESSAGE)  
    return
```

```
# Get function name from table  
func_name = ''  
func_name_offset = n * FUNC_TABLE_ENTRY_SIZE  
    for i in range(func_name_offset,  
func_name_offset+FUNC_TABLE_ENTRY_SIZE):  
        if( func_table[i] == ' '):  
            func_name = func_table[func_name_offset:i]  
            break
```

```
if( func_name == ' ' ):  
    func_name = func_table[func_name_offset:func_name_offset+FUNC_TABLE_ENTRY_SIZE]  
return func_name
```

```
def print_table():  
# Check table for viability  
if( not check_table() ):  
    print(CORRUPT_MESSAGE)  
    return
```

```
for i in range(0, FUNC_TABLE_SIZE):  
    j = i + 1  
    print(str(j)+': ' + get_func(i))
```

```
def filter_var_name(var_name):  
    r = re.search('^[a-zA-Z_][a-zA-Z_0-9]*$', var_name)  
    if r:  
        return True  
    else:  
        return False
```

```
def read_variable():  
    var_name = input('Please enter variable name to read: ')  
    if( filter_var_name(var_name) ):  
        eval('print('+var_name+')')
```

```
else:  
    print('Illegal variable name')
```

```
def filter_value(value):  
    if ';' in value or '(' in value or ')' in value:  
        return False  
    else:  
        return True
```

```
def write_variable():  
    var_name = input('Please enter variable name to write: ')  
    if( filter_var_name(var_name) ):  
        value = input('Please enter new value of variable: ')  
        if( filter_value(value) ):  
            exec('global '+var_name+'; '+var_name+' = '+value)  
        else:  
            print('Illegal value')  
    else:  
        print('Illegal variable name')
```

```
def call_func(n):  
    """  
    Calls the nth function in the function table.  
    Arguments:  
        n: The function to call. The first function is 0.  
    """
```

```
# Check table for viability  
if( not check_table() ):  
    print(CORRUPT_MESSAGE)  
    return
```

```
# Check n  
if( n < 0 ):  
    print('n cannot be less than 0. Aborting...')  
    return  
elif( n >= FUNC_TABLE_SIZE ):  
    print('n cannot be greater than or equal to the function table size  
of '+FUNC_TABLE_SIZE)  
    return
```

```
# Get function name from table  
func_name = get_func(n)
```

```
# Run the function  
eval(func_name+'()')
```

```
def dummy_func1():
    print('in dummy_func1')
```

```
def dummy_func2():
    print('in dummy_func2')
```

```
def dummy_func3():
    print('in dummy_func3')
```

```
def dummy_func4():
    print('in dummy_func4')
```

```
def getRandomNumber():
    print(4)  # Chosen by fair die roll.
              # Guaranteed to be random.
              # (See XKCD)
```

```
def win():
    # This line will not work locally unless you create your own
'flag.txt' in
    # the same directory as this script
    flag = open('flag.txt', 'r').read()
    #flag = flag[:-1]
    flag = flag.strip()
    str_flag = ''
    for c in flag:
        str_flag += str(hex(ord(c))) + ' '
    print(str_flag)
```

```
def help_text():
    print(
    """
This program fixes vulnerabilities in its predecessor by limiting what
functions can be called to a table of predefined functions. This still
puts
the user in charge, but prevents them from calling undesirable
subroutines.
```

```
* Enter 'quit' to quit the program.
* Enter 'help' for this text.
* Enter 'reset' to reset the table.
* Enter '1' to execute the first function in the table.
* Enter '2' to execute the second function in the table.
* Enter '3' to execute the third function in the table.
* Enter '4' to execute the fourth function in the table.
```

```
Here's the current table:
"""
)
```

```
print_table()
```

```
reset_table()
```

```
while(USER_ALIVE):
    choice = input('==> ')
    if( choice == 'quit' or choice == 'exit' or choice == 'q' ):
        USER_ALIVE = False
    elif( choice == 'help' or choice == '?' ):
        help_text()
    elif( choice == 'reset' ):
        reset_table()
    elif( choice == '1' ):
        call_func(0)
    elif( choice == '2' ):
        call_func(1)
    elif( choice == '3' ):
        call_func(2)
    elif( choice == '4' ):
        call_func(3)
    else:
        print('Did not understand "'+choice+'" Have you tried "help"?')
```

Intinya, pada kode di atas, terdapat sebuah fungsi yang menyimpan flag yaitu fungsi `win()`. Lalu melalui netcat, kita bisa tahu maksud dari soal ini yaitu untuk menampilkan output dari fungsi `win()`, tapi sayangnya dalam netcat tersebut tidak ada nomor spesifik untuk menampilkan output `win()`. Jadi kita bisa lihat sejenak apa perintah dari netcat.

```
~ % nc saturn.picoctf.net 54785
==> help
This program fixes vulnerabilities in its predecessor by limiting what functions can be called to a table of predefined functions. This still puts the user in charge, but prevents them from calling undesirable subroutines.

* Enter 'quit' to quit the program.
* Enter 'help' for this text.
* Enter 'reset' to reset the table.
* Enter '1' to execute the first function in the table.
* Enter '2' to execute the second function in the table.
* Enter '3' to execute the third function in the table.
* Enter '4' to execute the fourth function in the table.

Here's the current table:
1: print_table
2: read_variable
3: write_variable
4: getRandomNumber
```

Terdapat 7 pilihan, 4 di antaranya untuk fungsi tabel. Aku terpacu pada perintah nomor 3 yaitu `write_table` sehingga aku coba untuk mengulik.

```

1: print_table
2: read_variable
3: write_variable
4: getRandomNumber
==> 3
Please enter variable name to write: getRandomNumber
Please enter new value of variable: win

```

Disini, opsi no 3 adalah untuk mengganti nama variabel pada tabel, langsung saja aku ganti getRandomNumber menjadi win tanpa ‘(’ dan ‘)’, karena aku lihat pada fungsi filter\_value(), jika terdapat tanda kurung maka akan langsung false. setelah itu aku enter dan aku coba untuk print table (opsi 1) ternyata hasilnya sama saja.

```

==> 1
1: print_table
2: read_variable
3: write_variable
4: getRandomNumber

```

Tanpa basa-basi aku coba pilih langsung opsi ke 4 sehingga menampilkan seperti berikut.

```

1: print_table
2: read_variable
3: write_variable
4: getRandomNumber
==> 4
0x70 0x69 0x63 0x6f 0x43 0x54 0x46 0x7b 0x37 0x68 0x31 0x35 0x5f 0x31 0x35 0x5f 0x77 0x68 0x34 0x37 0x5f 0x77 0x33 0x5f 0x67 0x33 0x37 0x5f 0x77 0x31 0x37 0x68 0x5f 0x75 0x35 0x33 0x72 0x35 0x5f 0x31 0x6e 0x5f 0x63 0x68 0x34 0x72 0x67 0x33 0x5f 0x63 0x32 0x30 0x66 0x35 0x32 0x32 0x32 0x7d

```

Bisa dilihat bahwa output dari no. 4 merupakan string kumpulan heksadesimal.

### Script [solver.py](#)

```

~ % python3
Python 3.13.0 (v3.13.0:60403a5409f, Oct  7 2024, 00:37:40) [Clang 15.0.0 (clang-1500.3.9.4)]
on darwin
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> ch = "0x70 0x69 0x63 0x6f 0x43 0x54 0x46 0x7b 0x37 0x68 0x31 0x35 0x5f 0x31 0x35 0x5f 0x77 0x68 0x34 0x37 0x5f 0x77 0x33 0x5f 0x67 0x33 0x37 0x5f 0x77 0x31 0x37 0x68 0x5f 0x75 0x35 0x33 0x72 0x35 0x5f 0x31 0x6e 0x5f 0x63 0x68 0x34 0x72 0x67 0x33 0x5f 0x63 0x32 0x30 0x66 0x35 0x32 0x32 0x32 0x7d"
>>> ch_nospace = ch.split(" ")
>>> plain_text = ""
>>> for c in ch_nospace:
...     plain_text+=chr(int(c,16))
...
>>> print(plain_text)
picoCTF{7h15_15_wh47_w3_g37_w17h_u53r5_1n_ch4rg3_c20f5222}

```

Dari kode diatas, string heksadesimal aku simpan di variabel ch, lalu aku coba split spasinya dan disimpan ke dalam ch\_nospace seperti berikut :

```
ch_nospace = ["0x70", "0x69", ".....", "....."]
```

setelah itu aku coba inisiasikan plain\_text untuk hasilnya nanti.

Masuk ke looping, dimana plain\_text nanti akan diisi hasil dari decoding. Decoding ini seperti berikut berdasarkan penjelasan ChatGPT (aku pakai karena malas menjelaskan wkwkwk)

### 3 Fokus utama: `int(c, 16)`

#### 📌 Fungsi `int()`

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```
int(value, base)
```

Artinya:

Konversi string angka ke integer dengan basis tertentu

#### 📌 Kenapa pakai `16` ?

Karena:

- `0x70` adalah hexadecimal
- Hex = **basis 16**

Jadi:

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```
int("0x70", 16)
```

hasilnya:

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112



```
>>> print(int("0x70", 16))
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>>> print(chr(112))
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>>> █
```

Samplenya.

Yah seperti itulah.

Sehingga outputnya adalah flag :

picoCTF{7h15\_15\_wh47\_w3\_g37\_w17h\_u53r5\_1n\_ch4rg3\_c20f5222}