

Valgrind tutorial

Get & install

- ◆ *homepage: <http://www.valgrind.org/>*
- ◆ install:
 - extract:
 - ◆ `bzip2 -d valgrind-XYZ.tar.bz2`
 - ◆ `tar -xf valgrind-XYZ.tar`
 - which will create a directory called valgrind-XYZ; change into that directory and run:
 - ◆ `./configure`
 - ◆ `make`
 - ◆ `make install`
- ◆ Many linux dists. come with prepared package, google 'dist-name valgrind'

Memory leaks (1)

```
//file: exp1.c
```

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

```
int main()
```

```
{  
    char *x = malloc(100);  
    return 0;  
}
```

compile:

```
$> gcc -Wall -g exp1.c -o exp1
```

Memory leaks (1) - code

```
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```

```
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```

```
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```

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```

```
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```

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}
```

compile:

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```

```
// -g for debug inf.
```



Memory leaks (1) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp1
```

```
ERROR SUMMARY: 0 errors from 0 contexts (suppressed: 11 from 1)
```

```
==26064== malloc/free: in use at exit: 100 bytes in 1 blocks.
```

```
==26064== malloc/free: 1 allocs, 0 frees, 100 bytes allocated.
```

```
==26064== For counts of detected errors, rerun with: -v
```

```
==26064== searching for pointers to 1 not-freed blocks.==26064== checked 52,096 bytes.
```

```
==26064==
```

```
==26064== LEAK SUMMARY:
```

```
==26064==    definitely lost: 100 bytes in 1 blocks.
```

```
==26064==    possibly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks.
```

```
==26064==    still reachable: 0 bytes in 0 blocks.
```

```
==26064==    suppressed: 0 bytes in 0 blocks.
```

```
==26064== Use --leak-check=full to see details of leaked memory.
```



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```
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```

```
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```

```
==26064== Use --leak-check=full to see details of leaked memory.
```

Memory leaks (1) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind --leak-check=full exp1
```

...

```
==32353== 100 bytes in 1 blocks are definitely lost in loss record 1 of 1
```

```
==32353==    at 0x4004405: malloc (vg_replace_malloc.c:149)
```

```
==32353==    by 0x8048370: main (exp1.c:4)
```

...

Unallocated memory (2)

```
//file: exp2.c
```

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

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    char *x = malloc(10);
```

```
    x[10] = 'a';
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

compile:

```
$> gcc -Wall -g exp1.c -o exp2
```



Unallocated mem (2) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp2
```

```
==26190== Invalid write of size 1
```

```
==26190== at 0x804837A: main (exp2.c:6)
```

```
==26190== Address 0x413C032 is 0 bytes after a block of size 10 alloc'd
```

```
==26190== at 0x401D38B: malloc (vg_replace_malloc.c:149)
```

```
==26190== by 0x8048370: main (exp2.c:5)
```

```
==26190==
```

```
==26190== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 11  
from 1)
```



Unallocated mem (2) – run valgrind invalid write

run:

```
$> valgrind exp2
```

```
==26190== Invalid write of size 1
```

```
==26190== at 0x804837A: main (exp2.c:6)
```

```
==26190== Address 0x413C032 is 0 bytes after a block of size 10 alloc'd
```

```
==26190== at 0x401D38B: malloc (vg_replace_malloc.c:149)
```

```
==26190== by 0x8048370: main (exp2.c:5)
```

```
==26190==
```

```
==26190== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 11  
from 1)
```



Unallocated mem (2) – run valgrind invalid write – where?

run:

```
$> valgrind exp2
```

```
==26190== Invalid write of size 1
```

```
==26190== at 0x804837A: main (exp2.c:6)
```

```
==26190== Address 0x413C032 is 0 bytes after a block of size 10 alloc'd
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```
==26190== by 0x8048370: main (exp2.c:5)
```

```
==26190==
```

```
==26190== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 11  
from 1)
```

Uninitialized values (3)

```
//file: exp3.c
```

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

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int x;
```

```
    if (x == 0)
```

```
    {
```

```
        printf("X is zero");
```

```
    }
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```



Uninitialized values (3) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp3
```

```
==26127== Conditional jump or move depends on uninitialised value(s)  
==26127== at 0x8048369: main (exp3.c:6)
```

Uninitialized values (3) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp3
```

```
==26127== Conditional jump or move depends on uninitialised value(s)  
==26127== at 0x8048369: main (exp3.c:6)
```

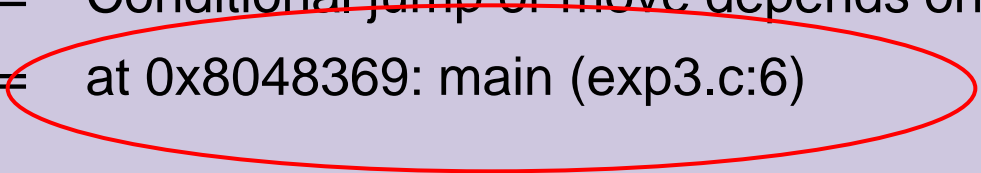


Uninitialized values (3) – run valgrind where?

run:

```
$> valgrind exp3
```

```
==26127== Conditional jump or move depends on uninitialised value(s)  
==26127== at 0x8048369: main (exp3.c:6)
```

A red oval is drawn around the second line of the valgrind output, specifically around the text "at 0x8048369: main (exp3.c:6)".

Uninitialized values (4)

```
//file: exp4.c
```

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

```
int foo(int x)
```

```
{
```

```
    if(x < 10)
```

```
    {
```

```
        printf("x is less  
                than 10\n");
```

```
    }
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int y;
```

```
    foo(y);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

Uninitialized values (4) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp4
```

```
==26128== Conditional jump or move depends on uninitialised value(s)  
==26128== at 0x804835E: foo (exp4.c:5)  
==26128== by 0x804838E: main (exp4.c:15)
```

Seg faults (5)

```
//file: exp5.c
```

```
int main()  
{  
    char x[10];  
    x[11] = 'a';  
    return 0;  
}
```

Seg faults (5) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp5
```

==26131== Invalid read of size 4

==26131== at 0x8048346: main (exp5.c:6)

==26131== Address 0xBE9561BC is not stack'd,
malloc'd or (recently) free'd



Seg faults (5) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp5
```

```
==26131==
```

```
==26131== Process terminating with default action of signal 11 (SIGSEGV)
```

```
==26131== Access not within mapped region at address 0xBE9561BC
```

```
==26131== at 0x8048346: main (exp5.c:6)
```

```
==26131==
```

```
==26131== Process terminating with default action of signal 11 (SIGSEGV)
```

```
==26131== Access not within mapped region at address 0xBE9561B8
```

```
==26131== at 0x40191E0: _vgnU_freeres (vg_preloaded.c:56)
```

```
==26131==
```

```
==26131== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 11  
from 1)
```

What valgrind can't do (6)?

```
//file: exp6.c
```

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

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    unsigned int a = 30;
```

```
    unsigned int b = 20;
```

```
    unsigned int dif = b - a;
```

```
    printf ("%ud\n", dif);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```



What valgrind can't do (6)?

run:

```
$> valgrind exp6
```

```
==26132==
```

```
4294967286d
```

```
==26132==
```

```
==26132== ERROR SUMMARY: 0 errors from 0  
contexts (suppressed: 11 from 1)
```

Invalid free (7)

```
//file: exp7.c
```

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

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int *arr = (int*) malloc (10*sizeof  
    (int));
```

```
    arr = arr + 1;
```

```
    free (arr);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```




Invalid free (7) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp7
```

```
==26133== Invalid free() / delete / delete[]
==26133== at 0x401CFA5: free (vg_replace_malloc.c:233)
==26133== by 0x80483C2: main (exp7.c:9)
==26133== Address 0x413C02C is 4 bytes inside a block of size 40 alloc'd
==26133== at 0x401D38B: malloc (vg_replace_malloc.c:149)
==26133== by 0x80483B0: main (exp7.c:5)
+=26133==
==26133== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 11
    from 1)
==26133== malloc/free: in use at exit: 40 bytes in 1 blocks.
==26133== malloc/free: 1 allocs, 1 frees, 40 bytes allocated.
```

Invalid free (7) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp7
```

```
==26133== Invalid free() / delete / delete[]
==26133== at 0x401CFA5: free (vg_replace_malloc.c:233)
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==26133== at 0x401D38B: malloc (vg_replace_malloc.c:149)
==26133== by 0x80483B0: main (exp7.c:5)
+=26133==
==26133== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 11
from 1)
==26133== malloc/free: in use at exit: 40 bytes in 1 blocks.
==26133== malloc/free: 1 allocs, 1 frees, 40 bytes allocated.
```

When all looks o.k. (8)

```
//file: exp8.c
```

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

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

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

```
int main( int argc, char ** argv )
```

```
{
```

```
    char * snGreeting = malloc( sizeof(char) * 1024 );
```

```
    strcpy( snGreeting, "hello" );
```

```
    free(snGreeting);
```

```
    printf( "%s Sir/Madam\n", snGreeting );
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

When all looks o.k. (8)

```
//file: exp8.c
```

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

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

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

```
int main( int argc, char ** argv )
```

```
{
```

```
    char * greeting = malloc( sizeof(char) * 1024 );
```

```
    strcpy( greeting, "hello" );
```

```
    free(greeting);
```

```
    printf( "%s Sir/Madam\n", greeting );
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```



When all looks o.k. (8) – run

run:

```
$> exp8
```

```
hello Sir/Madam
```

```
$>
```

And with valgrind:



When all looks o.k. (8) – run valgrind

run:

```
$> valgrind exp8
```

```
==26135== Memcheck, a memory error detector.
==26135== Copyright (C) 2002-2006, and GNU GPL'd, by Julian Seward et al.
==26135== Using LibVEX rev 1658, a library for dynamic binary translation.
==26135== Copyright (C) 2004-2006, and GNU GPL'd, by OpenWorks LLP.
==26135== Using valgrind-3.2.1-Debian, a dynamic binary instrumentation framework.
==26135== Copyright (C) 2000-2006, and GNU GPL'd, by Julian Seward et al.
==26135== For more details, rerun with: -v
==26135==
==26135== Invalid read of size 1
==26135==   at 0x401E208: strlen (mc_replace_strmem.c:246)
==26135==   by 0x405F0C7: vfprintf (vfprintf.c:1535)
==26135==   by 0x4064C72: printf (printf.c:34)
==26135==   by 0x8048410: main (exp8.c:10)
==26135== Address 0x413C028 is 0 bytes inside a block of size 1,024 free'd
==26135==   at 0x401CFA5: free (vg_replace_malloc.c:233)
==26135==   by 0x80483FD: main (exp8.c:9)
==26135==
==26135== Invalid read of size 1
==26135==   at 0x401E211: strlen (mc_replace_strmem.c:246)
==26135==   by 0x405F0C7: vfprintf (vfprintf.c:1535)
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==26135==   by 0x80483FD: main (exp8.c:9)
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```

```
==26135== Invalid read of size 1
==26135==   at 0x40811D0: _IO_default_xsputn (genops.c:470)
==26135==   by 0x407F02B: _IO_file_xsputn@@GLIBC_2.1 (fileops.c:1360)
==26135==   by 0x405F071: vfprintf (vfprintf.c:1535)
==26135==   by 0x4064C72: printf (printf.c:34)
==26135==   by 0x8048410: main (exp8.c:10)
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==26135==   at 0x40811DA: _IO_default_xsputn (genops.c:469)
==26135==   by 0x407F02B: _IO_file_xsputn@@GLIBC_2.1 (fileops.c:1360)
==26135==   by 0x405F071: vfprintf (vfprintf.c:1535)
==26135==   by 0x4064C72: printf (printf.c:34)
==26135==   by 0x8048410: main (exp8.c:10)
==26135== Address 0x413C02A is 2 bytes inside a block of size 1,024 free'd
==26135==   at 0x401CFA5: free (vg_replace_malloc.c:233)
==26135==   by 0x80483FD: main (exp8.c:9)
hello Sir/Madam
==26135==
==26135== ERROR SUMMARY: 11 errors from 4 contexts (suppressed: 11 from 1)
==26135== malloc/free: in use at exit: 0 bytes in 0 blocks.
==26135== malloc/free: 1 allocs, 1 frees, 1,024 bytes allocated.
==26135== For counts of detected errors, rerun with: -v
==26135== All heap blocks were freed -- no leaks are possible.
```

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run:

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==26135== Copyright (C) 2000-2006, and
==26135== For more details, rerun with:
==26135==
==26135== Invalid read of size 1
==26135== at 0x401E208: strlen (mc_
==26135== by 0x405F0C7: vfprintf (vfp
==26135== by 0x4064C72: printf (print
==26135== by 0x8048410: main (exp8
==26135== Address 0x413C028 is 0 byte
==26135== at 0x401CFA5: free (vg_repl
==26135== by 0x80483FD: main (exp8
==26135==
==26135== Invalid read of size 1
==26135== at 0x401E211: strlen (mc_
==26135== by 0x405F0C7: vfprintf (vfp
==26135== by 0x4064C72: printf (print
==26135== by 0x8048410: main (exp8
==26135== Address 0x413C029 is 1 byte
==26135== at 0x401CFA5: free (vg_replace_malloc.c:209)
==26135== by 0x80483FD: main (exp8.c:9)
==26135==
```



```
==26135== Invalid read of size 1
```

```
0x413C028 is 0 byte freed by main (genops.c:470)
@GLIBC_2.1 (fileops.c:1360)
1535)

de a block of size 1,024 free'd
malloc.c:233)

tn (genops.c:469)
@GLIBC_2.1 (fileops.c:1360)
1535)

de a block of size 1,024 free'd
malloc.c:233)

4 contexts (suppressed: 11 from 1)
0 blocks.
bytes allocated.
with: -v

==26135== All heap blocks were freed -- no leaks are possible.
```

When all looks o.k. (8) – run valgrind

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```

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```

```
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```
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```

```
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```

```
==26135== Address 0x413C028 is 0 bytes inside a block of size 1,024  
free'd
```

```
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```

```
==26135==    by 0x80483FD: main (exp8.c:9)
```