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Please work on each lab and capture screenshot of tasks along with your words and analysis of each slide. PLEASE submit all Labs on Blackboard only. Name your files:

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## 1. Lab 19-1 Our First Diff

For this lab in particular, copy the two ELF binary files name and name2 from Lab19 tab in blackboard repository and place them in the folder C:\grayhat\app\_diff\. You will need to create those subfolder.

### 1.1. System Requirements:

For Lab 19-1 you may wish to download the free version of IDA 6.5 and the appropriate files to get turbodiff up and running. The following instructions will walk you through this process. All files that are required to this lab are in Lab19.zip file. Please download and extract it in to your Windows 7 VM.

#### 1.1.1. Download IDA software

Download the free version of IDA 5.0 from the Blackboard. Follow the simple installation instructions and accept all defaults.

#### 1.1.2. Download turbodiff

The turbodiff file is located in the Lab19.zip file however you can follow the process and download by yourself.

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1. Go to the Core Security, Core Labs site to download turbodiff:

<http://corelabs.coresecurity.com/index.php?module=Wiki&action=view&type=tool&name=turbodiff>

or the file is located in the lab19.zip file.

2. Go to the section of the page titled **Downloads** and download the latest stable release 1.01b\_r2. This will download the file: **turbodiff\_1.01b\_r2\_ida\_free\_5.rar**, which you must extract with a tool such as 7zip.
3. Once you extract this file, there are two files you must copy to your IDA Free folder under **Program Files** or **Program Files (x86)** if you are on a 64-bit version of Windows.

### 1.1.3. Copy turbodiff required files to IDA directory

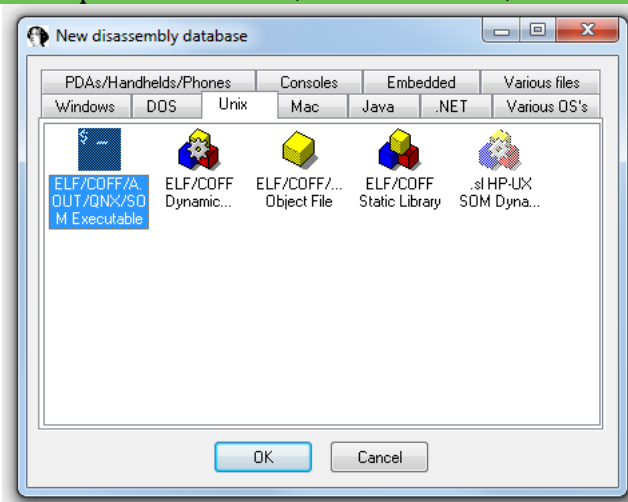
1. Navigate to Lab19\turbodiff\_1.01b\_r2\_ida\_free\_5\
2. The first file is turbodiff.cfg which must be copied to: C:\Program Files (x86)\IDA Free\cfg\.
3. The second file is turbodiff.plw which must be copied to: C:\Program Files (x86)\IDA Free\plugins\.

Once you have completed above steps, turbodiff should be successfully installed.

### 1.2. Tasks:

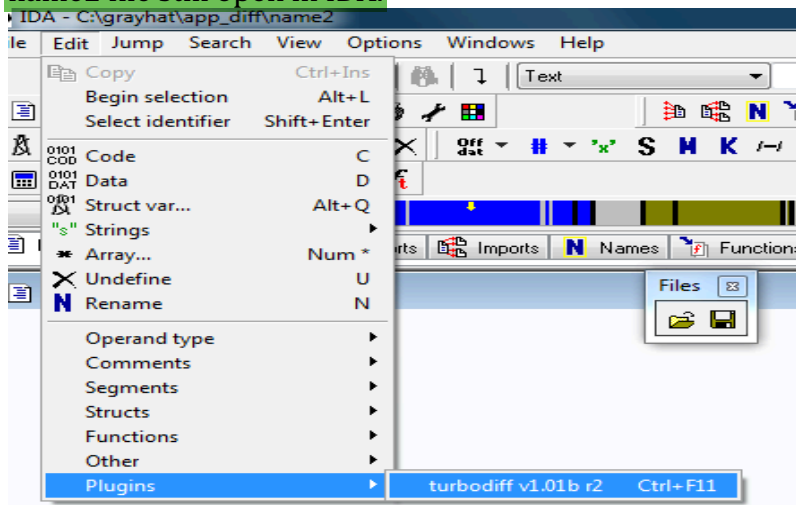
In this lab, you will perform a simple diff against the code previously shown in the “Application Diffing” section. The ELF binary files **name** and **name2** are to be compared. The **name** file is the unpatched one and **name2** is the patched one.

1. You must first start up the free IDA 5.0 application you previously installed. Once it is up and running, go to File | New, select the Unix tab from the popup, and click the ELF option on the left, as shown here, and then click OK.



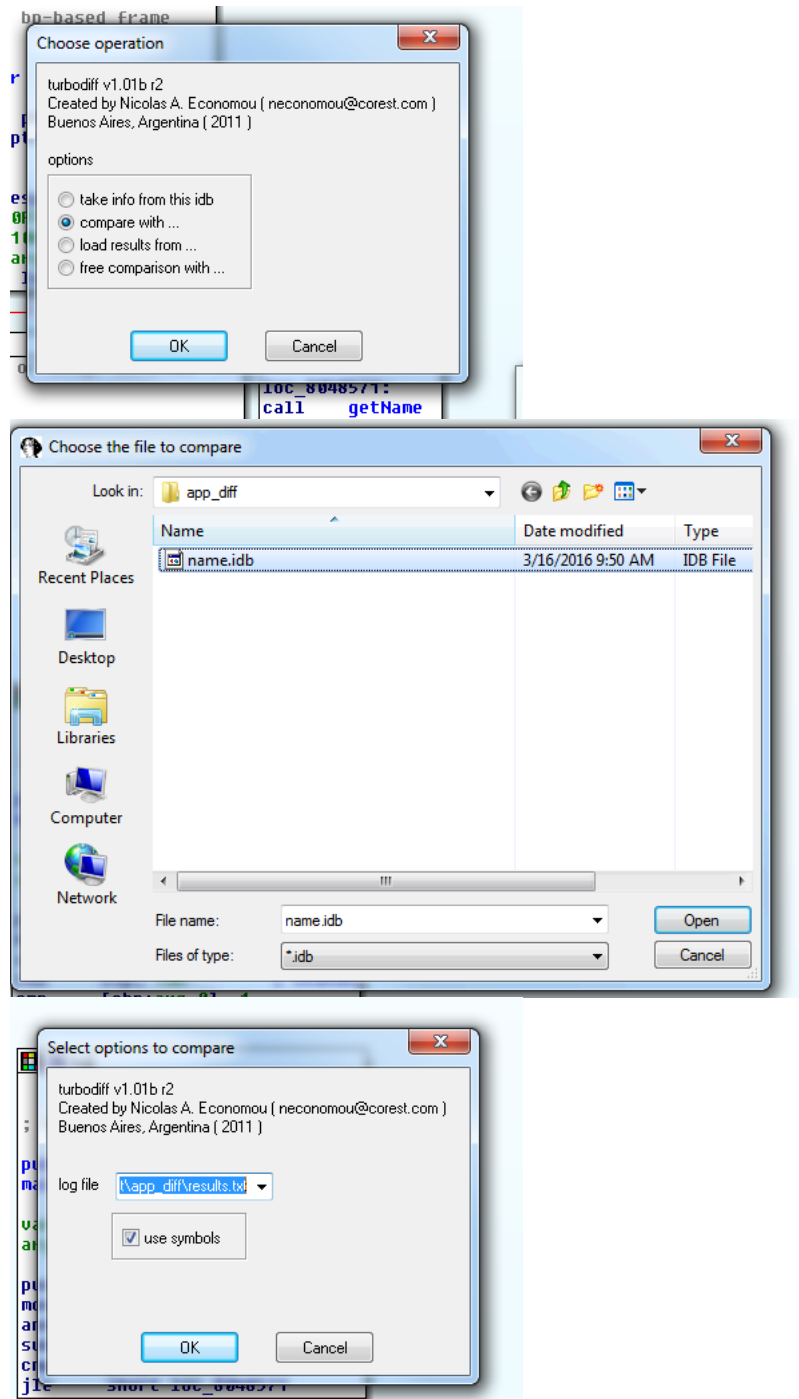
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2. Navigate to your C:\grayhat\app\_diff\ folder and select the file “name.” Accept the default options that appear. IDA should quickly complete its auto-analysis, defaulting to the **main()** function in the disassembly window.
3. Press CTRL-F11 (or go to the top bar and chose exit\plugin\turbodiff) to bring up the turbodiff pop-up. If it does not appear, go back and ensure you properly copied over the necessary files for turbodiff. With the turbodiff window on the screen, select the option “**take info from this idb**” and click OK, followed by another OK.
4. Go to File | New, and you will get a pop-up box asking if you would like to save the database. Accept the defaults and click OK. Repeat the steps of selecting the UNIX tab | ELF Executable, and then click OK. Open up the name2 ELF binary file and accept the defaults. Repeat the steps of bringing up the turbodiff pop-up and choosing the option “take info from this idb.”
5. Now that you have completed this for both files, press CTRL-F11 again, with the name2 file still open in IDA.



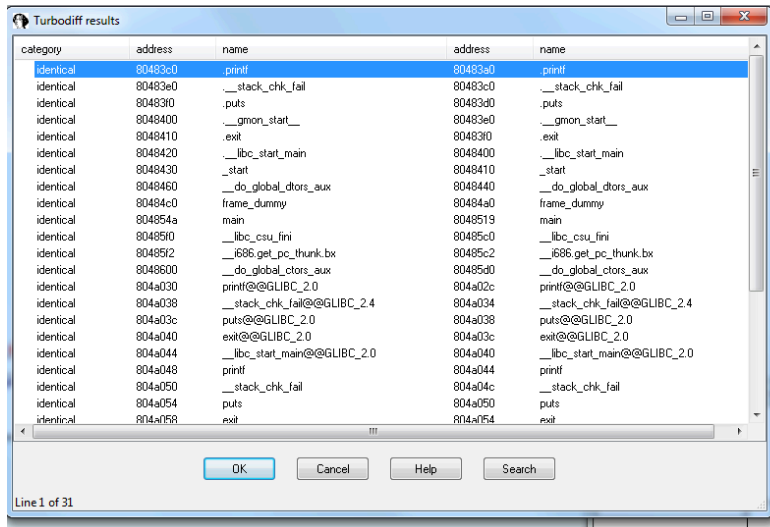
6. Select the option “compare with...” and click OK.

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7. Select the name.idb file and click OK, followed by another OK. The following box should appear (you may have to sort by category to replicate the exact image):

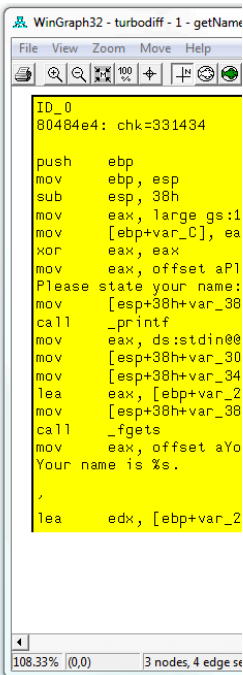
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The screenshot shows a window titled "Turbodiff results" with a table of function comparisons. The table has columns for category, address, and name. The first column is "category", the second is "address", and the third is "name". The table lists 31 rows of identical functions, all with the category "identical". The first row is highlighted in blue.

category	address	name
identical	80483c0	printf
identical	80483e0	__stack_chk_fail
identical	80483f0	puts
identical	8048400	__gmon_start__
identical	8048410	exit
identical	8048420	__libc_start_main
identical	8048430	__start
identical	8048460	__do_global_ctors_aux
identical	80484c0	frame_dummy
identical	804854a	main
identical	80485f0	__libc_csu_fini
identical	80485f2	__i686.get_pc_thunk.bx
identical	8048600	__do_global_ctors_aux
identical	804a030	printf@@GLIBC_2.0
identical	804a038	__stack_chk_fail@@GLIBC_2.4
identical	804a03c	puts@@GLIBC_2.0
identical	804a040	exit@@GLIBC_2.0
identical	804a044	__libc_start_main@@GLIBC_2.0
identical	804a048	printf
identical	804a050	__stack_chk_fail
identical	804a054	puts
identical	804a058	exit

Note that the `getName()` function is labeled “suspicious ++.” Double-click the `getName()` function to get the following window:



The screenshot shows a window titled "WinGraph32 - turbodiff - 1 - getName". The window contains assembly code for the `getName` function. The code is highlighted in yellow. A blue arrow points from the `getName` function in the Turbodiff results window to this window.

```
ID_0
80484e4: chk=331434

push    ebp
mov     ebp, esp
sub     esp, 38h
mov     eax, large gs:1
mov     [ebp+var_C], eax
xor     eax, eax
mov     eax, offset aP1
Please state your name:
mov     [esp+38h+var_38], eax
call    _printf
mov     eax, ds:stdin@@
mov     [esp+38h+var_30], eax
mov     [esp+38h+var_34], eax
lea     eax, [ebp+var_2]
mov     [esp+38h+var_38], eax
call    _fgets
mov     eax, offset aYo
Your name is %s.
/
lea     edx, [ebp+var_2]
```

In this image, the left window shows the patched function and the right window shows the unpatched function.

- The unpatched block uses the **gets()** function, which provides no bounds checking.
- The patched block uses the **fgets()** function, which requires a size argument to help to prevent buffer overflows. The patched disassembly is shown here:

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```
mov eax, ds:stdin@@GLIBC_2_0
mov [esp+38h+var_30], eax
mov [esp+38h+var_34], 14h
lea eax, [ebp+var_20]
mov [esp+38h+var_38], eax
call _fgets
```

There were a couple of additional blocks of code within the two functions, but they are white and include no changed code. They are simply the stack-smashing protector code, which validates stack canaries, followed by the function epilog. At this point, you have completed the lab. Moving forward, we will look at real-world diffs.