DESCRIPTION

It's simple: get the flag from 141.85.224.106:31339.

RESOURCES

As part of the challenge I received an executable file called **piece_of_pie** as an attachment for analysis.

APPROACHES

- 1. The first approach here was to run the program and after running it I could see that it is requiring a input string which after it is provided it is returned back;
- 2. Thus, I had no other idea than to decompile the program using Ghidra. The decompilation can be seen below:

```
char local_28 [32];
printf("Tell me your name: ");
fflush(stdout);
fgets(local_28,0x40,stdin);
printf("Hello, %s",local_28);
return 0;
```

- 3. Here we can directly see that we have a buffer overflow as we have a buffer of only 0x20 characters and we are reading 0x40 from the keyboard.
- 4. Additionally there was present in the binary another function called **make_it_easy**, which if we call we are going to get a shell:

```
system("/bin/sh");
return;
```

- 5. Thus my idea here was to directly make a script that will overflow the input buffer and it will override the return address of the main function to **make_it_easy** function.
- 6. Then, if you run the script (python3 script.py) we will obtain a shell on the remote server.
- 7. If we then run cat /home/ctf/flag on the opened shell we will get the flag which is:

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