

# Reverse engineering

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→ first of all we have to download the radare2 framework which is useful for reading binaries and assembly code

→ after downloading radare2 first execute the file which we have to run

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./file1
```

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Documents/THM/Advent-of-cyber-2019/Day-21]
└─$ ./file1
the value of a is 4, the value of b is 5 and the value of c is 9

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Documents/THM/Advent-of-cyber-2019/Day-21]
└─$
```

→ as we can see it's adding a and b and giving the value of c

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## Radare 2

→ now Let's analyse it using radare2

→ command :

```
r2 -d ./file1
```

```

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Documents/THM/Advent-of-cyber-2019/Day-21]
$ r2 -d ./file1
Process with PID 25137 started...
= attach 25137 25137
bin.baddr 0x00400000
Using 0x400000
asm.bits 64
[0x00400a30]> aa

```

→ now first we analyse it by writing `aa`

→ we got the main function using `afl | grep main`

→ here `afl` lists all function but we are interested only in main function

```

[0x00400a30]> afl | grep main
0x00400e10 114 1657 sym.__libc_start_main
0x0048fb30 16 247 -> 237 sym._nl_unload_domain
0x00403b10 308 5366 -> 5301 sym._nl_load_domain
0x00470520 1 49 sym._IO_switch_to_main_wget_area
0x00403870 39 672 -> 640 sym._nl_find_domain
0x00400b4d 1 68 main
0x0048fae0 7 73 -> 69 sym._nl_finddomain_subfreeres
0x0044cf00 1 8 sym._dl_get_dl_main_map
0x00415fe0 1 43 sym._IO_switch_to_main_get_area

```

→ we can see the assembly code for main function using `pdf@main` command where pdf stands for `print disassembly function`

```

[0x00400a30]> pdf@main
; DATA XREF from entry0 @ 0x400a4d
68: int main (int argc, char **argv, char **envp);
; var int64_t var_ch @ rbp-0xc
; var int64_t var_8h @ rbp-0x8
; var int64_t var_4h @ rbp-0x4
0x00400b4d 55 push rbp
0x00400b4e 4889e5 mov rbp, rsp
0x00400b51 4883ec10 sub rsp, 0x10
0x00400b55 c745f4040000 mov dword [var_ch], 4
0x00400b5c c745f8050000 mov dword [var_8h], 5
0x00400b63 8b55f4 mov edx, dword [var_ch]
0x00400b66 8b45f8 mov eax, dword [var_8h]
0x00400b69 01d0 add eax, edx
0x00400b6b 8945fc mov dword [var_4h], eax
0x00400b6e 8b4dfc mov ecx, dword [var_4h]
0x00400b71 8b55f8 mov edx, dword [var_8h]
0x00400b74 8b45f4 mov eax, dword [var_ch]
0x00400b77 89c6 mov esi, eax
0x00400b79 488d3d881409 lea rdi, str.the_value_of_a_is_d_and_the_value_of_b_is_d_and_the_value_of_c_is_d
; b is %d and the value of c is %d"
0x00400b80 b800000000 mov eax, 0
0x00400b85 e8f6ea0000 call sym.__printf
0x00400b8a b800000000 mov eax, 0
0x00400b8f c9 leave
0x00400b90 c3 ret

```

# Breakpoint

→ breakpoint is the place when program stops executing and we can analyse it

→ here we will set the breakpoint at 4th line which is `mov dword [var_ch], 4`

→ to set the breakpoint use `db <address>` in this case `db 0x00400b55`

→ after that do `pdf@main` to check whether break point set or not

→ and we can see the breakpoint is set

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0x00400b4d 55          push rbp
0x00400b4e 4889e5      mov rbp, rsp
0x00400b51 4883ec10    sub rsp, 0x10
0x00400b55 b          c745f4040000. mov dword [var_ch], 4
0x00400b5c   c745f8050000. mov dword [var_8h], 5
0x00400b63 8b55f4      mov edx, dword [var_ch]
0x00400b66 8b45f8      mov eax, dword [var_8h]
0x00400b69 01d0        add eax, edx
0x00400b6b 8945fc      mov dword [var_4h], eax
0x00400b6e 8b4dfc      mov ecx, dword [var_4h]
0x00400b71 8b55f8      mov edx, dword [var_8h]
0x00400b74 8b45f4      mov eax, dword [var_ch]
0x00400b77 89c6        mov esi, eax
0x00400b79 488d3d881409. lea rdi, str.the_value_of_a_is__d_the_value_of_b_is__d_and_the_value_of_c_is__d ; 0x492008 ; "the value of
a is %d and the value of c is %d"
```

## Breakpoint

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→ here we will set the breakpoint at 4th line which is `mov dword [var_ch], 4`  
→ to set the breakpoint use `db <address>` in this case `db 0x00400b55`  
→ after that do `pdf@main` to check whether break point set or not

→ now we can run the program using `dc` and we can see the program stopped at the breakpoint

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## Analysing variable value

→ and we will display the main function again

```

[0x00400a30]> dc
hit breakpoint at: 0x400b55
[0x00400b55]> pdf
main
; DATA XREF from entry0 @ 0x400a4d to transfer values. This statement is transferring the value 4 into the local_ch
;-- rax:
68: int main (int argc, char **argv, char **envp);
; var int64_t var_ch @ rbp-0xc
; var int64_t var_8h @ rbp-0x8
; var int64_t var_4h @ rbp-0x4
0x00400b4d 55 push rbp of @pdl main)
0x00400b4e 4889e5 mov rbp, rsp
0x00400b51 4883ec10 sub rsp, 0x10
;-- rip:
0x00400b55 b c745f4040000. mov dword [var_ch], 4
0x00400b5c c745f8050000. mov dword [var_8h], 5
0x00400b63 8b55f4 mov edx, dword [var_ch]
0x00400b66 8b45f8 mov eax, dword [var_8h]
0x00400b69 01d0 add eax, edx
0x00400b6b 8945fc mov dword [var_4h], eax
0x00400b6e 8b4dfc mov ecx, dword [var_4h]
0x00400b71 8b55f8 mov edx, dword [var_8h]
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0x00400b79 488d3d881409. lea rdi, str.the_value_of_a_is__d_the_value_of_b_is__d_and_the_value_of_c_is__d ; 0x492008 ; "the value of a is %d, the value of
b is %d and the value of c is %d"
0x00400b80 b800000000 mov eax, 0
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```

→ to see the value of the variable we use the `px@<address>` and in this case we want to see the value of `var_ch` and it's address is `rbp-0xc`

```

[0x00400b55]> px @rbp-0xc
- offset - 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF
0x7ffcd43cc884 0000 0000 1890 6b00 0000 0000 7018 4000 .....k.....p.â.
0x7ffcd43cc894 0000 0000 1911 4000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....â.....
0x7ffcd43cc8a4 0000 0000 0000 0000 0100 0000 b8c9 3cd4 .....<..
0x7ffcd43cc8b4 fc7f 0000 4d0b 4000 0000 0000 0000 0000 ...M.â.....
0x7ffcd43cc8c4 0000 0000 0600 0000 7e00 0000 7000 0000 .....~...p...
0x7ffcd43cc8d4 0500 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0x7ffcd43cc8e4 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0x7ffcd43cc8f4 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0004 4000 .....â.
0x7ffcd43cc904 0000 0000 d599 366c bf16 b0de 1019 4000 .....6l.....â.
0x7ffcd43cc914 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1890 6b00 .....k.
0x7ffcd43cc924 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 d599 06cd .....

```

→ now we will goto next instruction using `ds` and then we will again see the value of `var_ch`

→ now we can see the value is 4 in variable `local_ch`

```

[0x00400b55]> ds
[0x00400b55]> px @rbp-0xc
- offset - 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF
0x7ffcd43cc884 0400 0000 1890 6b00 0000 0000 7018 4000 .....k.....p.â.
0x7ffcd43cc894 0000 0000 1911 4000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....â.....
0x7ffcd43cc8a4 0000 0000 0000 0000 0100 0000 b8c9 3cd4 .....<..
0x7ffcd43cc8b4 fc7f 0000 4d0b 4000 0000 0000 0000 0000 ...M.â.....
0x7ffcd43cc8c4 0000 0000 0600 0000 7e00 0000 7000 0000 .....~...p...
0x7ffcd43cc8d4 0500 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0x7ffcd43cc8e4 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0x7ffcd43cc8f4 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0004 4000 .....â.

```

→ Let's do ds again and check the value but this time we will give the address of `local_8h` variable

→ and we can see we got the value 5 in variable `local_8h`

```
[0x00400b55]> ds
[0x00400b55]> px @rbp-0x8
- offset - 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF
0x7ffcd43cc888 0500 0000 0000 0000 7018 4000 0000 0000 .....p.a.....
0x7ffcd43cc898 1911 4000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 ..a.....
0x7ffcd43cc8a8 0000 0000 0100 0000 b8c9 3cd4 fc7f 0000 .....<.....
0x7ffcd43cc8b8 4d0b 4000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 M.a.....
0x7ffcd43cc8c8 0600 0000 7e00 0000 7000 0000 0500 0000 .....~...p.....
0x7ffcd43cc8d8 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0x7ffcd43cc8e8 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 .....
0x7ffcd43cc8f8 0000 0000 0000 0000 0004 4000 0000 0000 .....a.....
0x7ffcd43cc908 d599 366c bf16 b0de 1019 4000 0000 0000 ..6l.....a.....
0x7ffcd43cc918 0000 0000 0000 0000 1890 6b00 0000 0000 .....k.....
```

## Analysing register value

→ now we want to see the values of registers so for that we use `dr` command

```
[0x00400b55]> dr
rax = 0x00400b4d
rbx = 0x00400400
rcx = 0x0044ba90
rdx = 0x7ffcd43cc9c8
r8 = 0x00000000
r9 = 0x00000000
r10 = 0x00000004
r11 = 0x00000001
r12 = 0x00401910
r13 = 0x00000000
r14 = 0x006b9018
r15 = 0x00000000
```

→ Let's run `ds` and then again run `dr`

→ we can see that the value of `rdx` changed to 4

```
[0x00400b55]> ds
[0x00400b55]> dr
rax = 0x00400b4d
rbx = 0x00400400
rcx = 0x0044ba90
rdx = 0x00000004
r8 = 0x00000000
r9 = 0x00000000
r10 = 0x00000004
r11 = 0x00000001
r12 = 0x00401910
r13 = 0x00000000
```

→ Let's do it again

→ and now the value of `rax` changed to 5

```
[0x00400b55]> ds
[0x00400b55]> dr
rax = 0x00000005
rbx = 0x00400400
rcx = 0x0044ba90
rdx = 0x00000004
r8 = 0x00000000
r9 = 0x00000000
r10 = 0x00000004
r11 = 0x00000001
r12 = 0x00401910
r13 = 0x00000000
r14 = 0x006b9018
```

→ so now we expect the value of `rax` should be 9 from this expression

```

c745f4040000. mov dword [var_ch], 4
c745f8050000. mov dword [var_8h], 5
8b55f4        mov edx, dword [var_ch]
8b45f8        mov eax, dword [var_8h]
01d0         add eax, edx
8945fc        mov dword [var_4h], eax
8b4dfc        mov ecx, dword [var_4h]
8b55f8        mov edx, dword [var_8h]
8b45f4        mov eax, dword [var_ch]
89c6         mov esi, eax

```

→ so Let's try it !

→ and the value is changed !

```

[0x00400b55]> ds
[0x00400b55]> dr
rax = 0x00000009
rbx = 0x00400400
rcx = 0x0044ba90
rdx = 0x00000004
r8 = 0x00000000
r9 = 0x00000000
r10 = 0x00000004
r11 = 0x00000001
r12 = 0x00401910

```