

Reverse Engineering Course

Dynamic Analysis

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Dynamic Analysis



- Easier to understand code functionality
 - Check values in registers, memory
 - Check stack: arguments and return addresses
- Modify code on the fly
- We shall learn:
 - WinDbg
 - x32dbg

TeaParty



- https://data.cyber.org.il/reversing/TeaParty.zip
- Copy both exe and pdb file to dedicated library







Load TeaParty and list all modules – "Im"

```
0:000> lm
                    module name
start
         end
                    TeaParty C (private pdb symbols)
00420000 00427000
                    VCRUNTIME140
                                    (deferred)
54170000 54183000
5fee0000 5ff8f000
                    atcuf32
                                (deferred)
                    ucrtbase
                                (deferred)
74c30000 74d4f000
76cc0000 76ebe000
                                  (deferred)
                    KERNELBASE
                                (deferred)
770c0000 771a0000
                    KERNEL32
                    <u>ntdll</u>
                                (pdb symbols)
77310000 774aa000
```





- If debug info is present, any function can be searched
- X moduleName!*anything*
 - * is wildcard

```
0:000> x teaparty!main
00421080 <u>TeaParty!main</u> (void)
```

Too Easy ☺





- Step 1: take whatever program prints and search
- Step 2: any print should be called from main (if we go back enough)
- Step 3: look at the stack- return addresses

Find main, again



- Delete pdb file
 - C:\symbols\TeaParty
- Run program and check output

```
C:\RE\TeaParty.exe

Let's all move one place on!
```

Search for Strings



- https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-hardware/drivers/debugger/s--search-memory-
- S —a : search for **a**scii string
 - S –a startAddress endAddress string
 - Or: S –a startAddress L?HowManyBytesForward string
 - S –sa startAddress L:endAddress
 - Will search for any ascii string
 - -su for unicode





- da Display Ascii
- da 423018
- Play with it: db, dw, dd

Start



- bp \$exentry
- g
- ba BreakPoint Access
 - r read
 - Number memory size
- bl List BreakPoints

```
0:000> bp $exentry
0:000> g
Breakpoint 0 hit
eax=00effc40 ebx=00d6b000
eip=004212f7 esp=00effbe8
cs=0023 ss=002b ds=002b
TeaParty+0x12f7:
004212f7 e893030000
```

0:000> ba r1 423018

View the Stack



- g run (to breakpoint)
- kb view stack

```
0:000> kb
# ChildEBP RetAddr Args to Child
00 00eff618 74c6a655 74d409fc 74d400e0 00d6b000 ucrtbase! crt_stdio_output::outpu
01 00effabc 74c6a71f 3e3cfa39 74d409fc 74d400e0 ucrtbase!<lambda 0be4ab1c2a6918fda
02 00effaf0 74c6a7d7 00effb24 00effb10 00effb28 ucrtbase! crt seh guarded call<ir
03 00effb34 74c6a77c 00000004 00000000 00000000 ucrtbase!common vfprintf< crt stc
<u>04</u> 00effb4c 00421035 00000004 00000000 74d3f318 ucrtbase!__stdio_common_vfprintf+0
WARNING: Stack unwind information not available. Following frames may be wrong.
05 00effb6c 00421067 74d3f318 00423018 00000000 TeaParty+0x1035
06 00effb8c 00421096 00423018 00effbe4 0042127a TeaParty+0x1067
07 00effb98 0042127a 00000001 01145210 01146550 TeaParty+0x1096
08 00effbe4 770d6359 00d6b000 770d6340 00effc50 TeaParty+0x127a
09 00effbf4 77377c24 00d6b000 13cfba69 00000000 KERNEL32!BaseThreadInitThunk+0x19
Oa 00effc50 77377bf4 ffffffff 77398fdd 00000000 ntdll! RtlUserThreadStart+0x2f
0b 00effc60 00000000 004212f7 00d6b000 00000000 ntdll! RtlUserThreadStart+0x1b
```

Main



Copy address to disassembly window

| Disassembly X | | |
|---------------------|------|-----------------------------------|
| Address: 421096 | | ✓ Follow current instruction |
| 00.210,000 | 2114 | |
| 0042107e cc | int | 3 |
| 0042107f cc | int | 3 |
| 00421080 55 | push | ebp |
| 00421081 8bec | mov | ebp, esp |
| 00421083 b801000000 | mov | eax, 1 |
| 00421088 85c0 | test | eax, eax |
| 0042108a 740f | je | TeaParty+0x109b (0042109b) |
| 0042108c 6818304200 | push | offset TeaParty+0x3018 (00423018) |
| 00421091 e8aaffffff | call | TeaParty+0x1040 (00421040) |
| 00421096 83c404 | add | esp, 4 |
| 00421099 eb0d | jmp | TeaParty+0x10a8 (004210a8) |
| 0042109b 6838304200 | push | offset TeaParty+0x3038 (00423038) |
| 004210a0 e89bffffff | call | TeaParty+0x1040 (00421040) |
| 004210a5 83c404 | add | esp, 4 |
| 004210a8 33c0 | xor | eax, eax |
| 004210aa 5d | pop | ebp |
| 004210ab c3 | ret | |

Go Up



- If we are deep inside the stack:
- gu Go Up





- Any register can be shown
 - r eax
 - r eip
- ... Or set
 - r eax = 1
 - r eip = ... 😊

a, u



- Any instruction can be modified
- a address
 - Then, write assembly instruction
 - Press extra enter to exit
- View memory
 - u address
 - Or simply disassembly window





Tip: easy to track any variable

```
Memory

Address: @ebp+8

00000000`00EFFBA0 01 00 00 00 10 52 14 01 00000000`00EFFBD0 00 00 00 40 FC EF 00
```

Exercise



- Do it all over again
- Find several ways to modify main so it will let us drink tea ©

BreakMe



Now crack BreakMe using only WinDbg





- BreakMe was Easy, right?
- Crack Simple_WinDbg_ex.exe
- https://data.cyber.org.il/reversing/simple windbg ex.exe

Homework



https://data.cyber.org.il/reversing/Secret.zip