# **Practical Binary Analysis #13.4~**

Seminar @ Gondow Lab.

#### **Overview**

- 1. Increase Code Coverage
  - main function
  - o find\_new\_input function
- 2. Automatically exploit vulnerability

#### **Source Code**

• https://hackmd.io/@C5FCqN8cSSO75WvPfrj9aw/SJurj-Q2O

#### **Code Coverage - Example**

input: x=1, y=10branch1: taken

If you want to make branch1 not taken ...

input: x=1, y=9branch1: not taken

### Code Coverage - main (1/4) code

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
02
     // optional arguments to pass to parse_sym_config
     std::vector<triton::arch::registers_e> symregs;
04
     std::vector<uint64_t> symmem;
05
06
     . . .
     if(argc < 5) {
07
       printf("Usage: %s <binary> <sym-config> <entry> <branch-addr>\n", argv[0]);
08
       return 1;
09
     }
10
12 }
```

- binary: path to binary to analyze
- sym-config : path to config file
- entry: address at which execution(emulation) starts
- branch-addr : target branch address

### Code Coverage - main (2/4) code

- Difference between this and previous example is...
  - Create symbolic variable
    - Symbolize all memory locatinos and registers that contain user input.
    - parse\_sym\_config writes to symregs / symmem where/which to symbolize.

# Code Coverage - main (3/4) code

```
01 int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
02
     for(auto regid: symregs) { // Symbolize Registers
03
       triton::arch::Register r = api.getRegister(regid);
04
       api.convertRegisterToSymbolicVariable(r)->setComment(r.getName());
05
    }
06
07
     for(auto memaddr: symmem) { // Symbolize Memory
80
       api.convertMemoryToSymbolicVariable(
09
         triton::arch::MemoryAccess(memaddr, 1)
10
       )->setComment(std::to_string(memaddr));
13
14 }
```

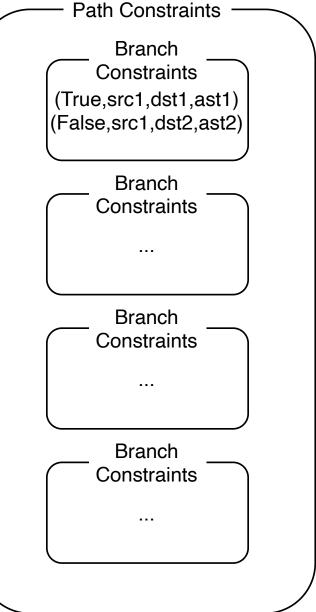
Symbolize memory locatinos and registers

### Code Coverage - main (4/4) code

• Call find\_new\_input, which is explained later.

# Code Coverage - find\_new\_input (1/3)

- Branch Constraints
  - (flag, src, dst, AST)
    - flag: whether this constraint was used (!= taken)
    - src/dst: source/destination address
    - AST : AST encoding the branch constraint



# Code Coverage - find\_new\_input (2/3) code

```
01 static void
  find_new_input(triton::API &api, Section *sec, uint64_t branch_addr) {
03
     for(auto &pc: path_constraints) { // for all path constraints
04
05
       if(!pc.isMultipleBranches()) continue; // ex. call
       for(auto &branch_constraint: pc.getBranchConstraints()) {
06
07
         if(src_addr != branch_addr) { // if src is not the one we wanna flip
80
           if(flag) { // `flag` is True if `constraint` was used.
09
             constraint_list = ast.land(constraint_list, constraint);
10
11
12
        } else {
13
14 }}}
```

- Add the constraint
  - if the branch we're looking **is not** the target branch.

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  find_new_input(triton::API &api, Section *sec, uint64_t branch_addr) {
03
     for(auto &pc: path_constraints) { // for all path constraints
04
05
       for(auto &branch_constraint: pc.getBranchConstraints()) {
06
         else {
07
           if(!flag) { // `flag` is False if `constraint` was not used.
80
             constraint_list = ast.land(constraint_list, constraint);
09
             for(auto &kv: api.getModel(constraint list)) { // invoke Z3
10
11
               printf("SymVar %u (%s) = 0x\%jx\n",
12
                 kv.first,
                 api.getSymbolicVariableFromId(kv.first)->getComment().c_str(),
13
                 (uint64 t)kv.second.getValue());
14
15 }}}}}
```

- Add the constraint,
  - if the branch we're looking is the target branch.

#### Code Coverage - test program

- See https://hackmd.io/@C5FCqN8cSSO75WvPfrj9aw/SJurj-Q2O#branchc
- x and y are the user inputs.
  - We shall symbolize these variables to get concrete values from Z3.
- We want to analyze if (y == 10)... branch.

#### Info from disassembly(, which we won't see here)

- x and y is contained in rdi and rsi, respectively.
- Start of branch function is at 0x4005b6
- Target branch is at 0x4005ce

#### Code Coverage - config file

We can symbolize registers like this:

```
01 %rdi=$
02 %rdi=0
03 %rsi=$
04 %rsi=0
```

- We also provide concrete value (x = 0, y = 0)
  - o from which code\_coverage.cc generate another concrete value to cover another path.

### Code Coverage - Generating New Input(1/2)

As we can see the code below, arguments to pass to code\_coverage is...

- 1. binary: path to binary file, in this case, branch
- 2. sym-config : path to config file, in this case, branch.map
- 3. entry: entry point, in this case, 0x4005b6
- 4. branch-addr: target branch address, in this case, 0x4005ce

```
if(argc < 5) {
   printf("Usage: %s <binary> <sym-config> <entry> <branch-addr>\n", argv[0]);
   return 1;
}
```

# Code Coverage - Generating New Input(2/2)

#### Results

#### Initial inputs

```
01 $ ./branch 0 0 0 02 x < 5 && y != 10
```

#### New inputs

```
01 $ ./branch 0 0xa 02 x < 5 && y == 10 # new path!!
```

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#### **Exploiting a Vulnerability**

- Automatically generate inputs that exploit vulnerability,
  - hijacking an indirect call site
  - redirecting to an arbitary address

#### **Assumption**

- We already know there is a vulnerability,
  - but don't know how to exploit.

#### Workflow

- 1. Randomly Generated Inputs + Taint Analysis
- 2. Symbol Execution to find new inputs that exploit vulnerability.

• See https://hackmd.io/@C5FCqN8cSSO75WvPfrj9aw/SJurj-Q2O#135-Exploiting-Vulnerability

#### Goal

To jump to the admin area without knowing password.

#### **Vulnerability**

- No check of index,
  - o so you can use data *outside* the ical.functions as a indirect call target.

#### **Normal Execution**

```
01 $ ./icall 1 foo
02 Calling 0x400974
03 reverse: 22295079
```

#### **Not Normal Execution**

```
01 $ ./icall 2 foo
02 Calling 0x22295079 # hash, little endian
03 Segmentation fault (core dumped)
```

#### that is...

- We can use hash as a target of indirect call. (hash is hashed from string)
- The challenge is:
  - o to find a string which is hashed into the address of secret admin area.

Question: How can we exploit this vulnerability?

#### **Solution**

- 1. Brute Force
- 2. Reverse Engineering
- 3. Symbex <--!!!

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- 1. The address of vulernable indirect call site: 0x400bef
- 2. The address to which you want to redirect: 0x400b3b

Because disassembly/DTA is not our purpose, we won't see the detail here. (You may want to check the Book.)

### **Exploiting a Vulnerability - How to execute**

#### **Question (Review)**

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- Concolic Execution:

#### **Exploiting a Vulnerability - How to execute**

#### **Question (Review)**

- Symbolic Execution: doesn't really run a program but rather emualte it.
- Concolic Execution: does run a program and track symbolic state as metadata.

#### Symbolic Execution vs Concolic Execution

We use **Concolic Execution** here because:

- 1. generating the exploit requires tracking the symbolic state through a whole program
  - which is slow in Symbolic Execution
- 2. it is easy to experiment with different length of multiple inputs

# Exploiting a Vulnerability - main

- See https://hackmd.io/@C5FCqN8cSSO75WvPfrj9aw/SJurj-Q2O#main1
- Triton's concolic mode only allows you to use Python API.

### Exploiting a Vulnerability - symbolize\_inputs

- See https://hackmd.io/@C5FCqN8cSSO75WvPfrj9aw/SJurj-Q2O#functions
- All user inputs(command line arguments) will be:
  - converted into symbolic variables
  - set as concrete state in Triton's context

### Exploiting a Vulnerability - hook\_ical

- See https://hackmd.io/@C5FCqN8cSSO75WvPfrj9aw/SJurj-Q2O#functions
- Call exploit\_icall if:
  - instruction : control flow instruction
  - addr of instruction: tainted call site
  - operand : register

### Exploiting a Vulnerability - exploit\_icall

- See https://hackmd.io/@C5FCqN8cSSO75WvPfrj9aw/SJurj-Q2O#functions
- 2 goals(constraints):
  - register (of call): target (start of admin area)
  - register value : printable ASCII character

- 1. Move to the directory which contains triton.
- 2. Start triton script.
  - Start icall in Pin using exploit\_callsite.py as a Pin tool.
  - AAA is arbitary string which is needed to drive program.
- 3. No model was found which mean no 3-length string was fond.
  - Recall that each inputs is symbolized in byte granularity.

Try input strings of length 1,2,...,100.

#### Result is...

```
02 Trying input len 4
03 SymVar_0 = 0x24 (argv[2][0])
                                      # $
04 \text{ SymVar}_1 = 0x2A (argv[2][1])
                                      # *
05 \text{ SymVar } 2 = 0x58 \text{ (argv[2][2])}
                                       # X
06 \text{ SymVar}_3 = 0x26 \text{ (argv}[2][3])
                                       # &
07 \text{ SymVar}_4 = 0x40 \text{ (argv}[2][4])
                                       # last should be terminating NULL of the input
08 \text{ SymVar}_5 = 0x20 \text{ (argv[1][0])}
                                      # 2
09 SymVar_6 = 0x40 (argv[1][1]) # last should be terminating NULL of the input
10
  . . .
```

• Exploit string is \$\*X&.

Get the root.

```
01 $ cd ~/code/chapter13
02 $ ./icall 2 '$*X&'
03 Calling 0x400b3b # start of admin area
04 # whoami
05 root
```