

Penetration Testing Report

For

"NightMare :-)"

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1.	Challenge Category Reverse Engineering	
2.	Challenge Related Files N/A	
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PROCEDURE

- 1. We are provided with a core dump. Examining the flavor-text and the dump, we notice that the dump has no null bytes; we conjecture that they have been stripped out.
- 2. xxd -c 19 bianry this will give a deduplicated flag in column

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00000344: ffff ff55 4889 e5be 4848 8d3d db2e e8d6 feff ff
                                                        ...UH...HH.=....
                                                        .].UH...EH.=....
00000357: 905d c355 4889 e5be 4548 8d3d c32e e8be feff ff
0000036a: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7b48 8d3d ab2e e8a6 feff ff
                                                       .].UH...{H.=....
0000037d: 905d c355 4889 e5be 6248 8d3d 932e e88e feff ff
                                                       .].UH...bH.=....
00000390: 905d c355 4889 e5be 6948 8d3d 7b2e e876 feff ff
                                                       .].UH...iH.={..v...
000003a3: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7448 8d3d 632e e85e feff ff
                                                       .].UH...tH.=c..^...
000003b6: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7348 8d3d 4b2e e846 feff ff
                                                       .].UH...sH.=K..F...
000003c9: 905d c355 4889 e5be 5f48 8d3d 332e e82e feff ff
                                                       .].UH... H.=3.....
000003dc: 905d c355 4889 e5be 6148 8d3d 1b2e e816 feff ff
                                                       .1.UH...aH.=....
000003ef: 905d c355 4889 e5be 6e48 8d3d 032e e8fe fdff ff
                                                        .].UH...nH.=....
00000402: 905d c355 4889 e5be 6448 8d3d eb2d e8e6 fdff ff
                                                        .].UH...dH.=.-...
00000415: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7948 8d3d d32d e8ce fdff ff
                                                        .].UH...yH.=.-...
00000428: 905d c355 4889 e5be 6548 8d3d bb2d e8b6 fdff ff
                                                        .].UH...eH.=.-...
0000043b: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7548 8d3d a32d e89e fdff ff
                                                       .].UH...uH.=.-...
0000044e: 905d c355 4889 e5be 6d48 8d3d 8b2d e886 fdff ff
                                                        .].UH...mH.=.-...
00000461: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7048 8d3d 732d e86e fdff ff
                                                        .].UH...pH.=s-.n...
00000474: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7248 8d3d 5b2d e856 fdff ff
                                                        .].UH...rH.=[-.V...
00000487: 905d c355 4889 e5be 7d48 8d3d 432d e83e fdff ff
                                                       .].UH...}H.=C-.>...
0000049a: 905d c355 4889 e5e8 47fe ffff e85a feff ffe8 6d
                                                       .].UH...G....Z....m
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- 3. So now we know that flag exists somewhere in binary how to extract that
- 4. deduplicated_flag="HE{bits_andyeumpr}"
- 5. Let's do one thing: extract all such function calls.
- 6. 20-byte chunks that have the outline of a function definition and each hold a character:

- 7. A typical function call will be e8 b1 fe ff ff call 0xffffffffffffec6
- 8. So extract all such call which are tied together

- 9. All calls are e847feffff,e85afeffff,e86dfeffff,e880feffff,e893feffff,e8a6feffff,e8b9feffff, e8ccfeffff,e8dffeffff,e8f2feffff,e805ffffff,e8b8feffff,e853feffff,e80efffff,e87feffff,e89afeffff,e8ddfeffff,e820ffffff,e833ffffff,e846fffff,e881feffff,e894feffff,e8a7feffff,e8bafeffff,e86dfeffff,e850feffff,e83
- 10. Now let's rebuild all calls into functions.

3feffff,e836ffffff,e811feffff,e814ffffff,e83fffffff

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from pwn import *

deduplicated_flag="HE{bits_andyeumpr}"

s = "e847feffffe85afeffffe86dfeffffe880feffffe893feffffe8a6feffffe8b9feffffe8ccfeffffe8dffefffe8

offsets = [u32(unhex(chunk[2:]), sign="signed") for chunk in group(10, s)]
normalized_offsets = [off - offsets[0] + 5*i for i, off in enumerate(offsets)]
assert all[off % 24 == 0 for off in normalized_offsets)
print ''.join(deduplicated_flag[off // 24] for off in normalized_offsets)
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11. Run this given code and it will print the flag. {s is all the function calls }

Flags:

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1.	Flag 1	HE{bits_and_bytes_dump_and_strip}