

Notes for valgrind

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Memory related issues

- Memory Leak : allocated memory but did not free
- Memory Errors : e.g. reading beyond the array limit, reading/writing dangling pointer or already freed pointers
 - double free
 - reading memory beyond valid area
 - uninitialized memory read
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How to compile code for valgrind?

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$ gcc -g main.c func.c
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How to run a program under valgrind

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$ valgrind ./a.out
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OR

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$ valgrind --tool=memcheck --leak-check=full ./a.out
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val1.c : Conditional jump or move depends on uninitialised value(s)

val2.c:

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=17777== Invalid read of size 4
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==17777== at 0x1091B3: main (prog.c:17)
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==17777== Address 0x4a56040 is 0 bytes inside a block of size 400 free'd
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==17777== at 0x483CA3F: free (in
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==17777== by 0x1091AE: main (prog.c:15)
==17777== Block was alloc'd at
==17777== at 0x483B7F3: malloc (in
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==17777== by 0x10919E: main (prog.c:13)
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val3.c :

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==17960== Invalid free() / delete / delete[] / realloc()
==17960== at 0x483CA3F: free (in
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==17960== by 0x109197: main (prog.c:16)
==17960== Address 0x1ffefffedc is on thread 1's stack
==17960== in frame #1, created by main (prog.c:7)
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val4.c:

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==18078== Invalid free() / delete / delete[] / realloc()
==18078== at 0x483CA3F: free (in
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==18078== by 0x10919A: main (prog.c:16)
==18078== Address 0x4a56040 is 0 bytes inside a block of size 400 free'd
==18078== at 0x483CA3F: free (in
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==18078== by 0x10918E: main (prog.c:14)
==18078== Block was alloc'd at
==18078== at 0x483B7F3: malloc (in
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==18078== by 0x10917E: main (prog.c:12)
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val5.c:

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==18224== 400 bytes in 1 blocks are definitely lost in loss record 1 of 1
==18224== at 0x483B7F3: malloc (in
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==18224== by 0x10917E: main (prog.c:12)
==18224==
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References

1. <https://www.cprogramming.com/debugging/valgrind.html>