

# SPaASM Assignment 3 - Documentation

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#### Input Length, Acceptance String and understanding the assignment

At the beginning, i found the string J#ki80Ys and i thought that would be the value needed to pass the geek2 window. Since it was not the right answer and it was 8 characters long, i thought it would be a trace of the password and it would be encoded. I tried to crack it as hash, md5, crc, caesareu's cipher, base 32, base 64 encoding, and i still couldn't move on. Then i realised that the J#ki80Ys was just garbage data for allocation of the 8 char string, and each letter was replaced by mapping of the longer string in function FUN\_00401146. Since then it was really easy to crack and replace encoding of the password. The original password is FIITgeek, I recreated if from finding indexes from the longer string as they were being assigned in FUN\_00401146.

Section .data from strstr.exe:

```
//
               // .data
               // ram:00403000-ram:004031ff
               s_Right_!_00403000
                                                   XREF[3]:
                                                               00400214(*), 004010d1(*),
                                                 004010d6(*)
                                "Right!"
   00403000 52 69 67
                         ds
        68 74 20
        21 00
               s_Wrong_!_00403008
                                                    XREF[2]:
                                                                004010dd(*), 004010e2(*)
   00403008 57 72 6f
                         ds
                                "Wrong!"
        6e 67 20
        21 00
               s_I4561AsEmblerySuPOhodicka2x3Xzgv 00403010
                                                                  XREF[1]:
                                                                              004010ae(*)
                                "I4561AsEmblerySuPOhodicka2x3XzgvwpqLJfBCDnFMH
   00403010 49 34 35
                         ds
        36 31 41
        73 45 6d
               s J#ki80Ys 0040304f
                                                               004010a9(*)
                                                   XREF[1]:
                                "J#ki80Ys"
   0040304f 4a 23 6b
                        ds
        69 38 30
        59 73 00
Decompiled mapping function:
undefined1 * FUN_00401146(undefined1 *param_1,undefined1 *param_2)
 *param 2 = param 1[0x12];
 param_2[1] = *param_1;
 param_2[2] = param_1[0x24];
 param_2[3] = param_1[0x18];
 param_{2}[4] = param_{1}[0x16];
 param_{2}[5] = param_{1}[0x17];
 param_2[6] = param_1[0xb];
 param_2[7] = param_1[0x14];
 return param 2;
```

#### **Function Calls And Return Values of Windows API**

DialogBoxParam: Creates a modal dialog box using a template from resources.

- Arguments: hInstance, lpTemplate, hWndParent, lpDialogFunc, dwInitParam.
- Return value: INT PTR (typically the result of the dialog).

GetDlgItemText: Gets text from a specific dialog element (e.g. a text field).

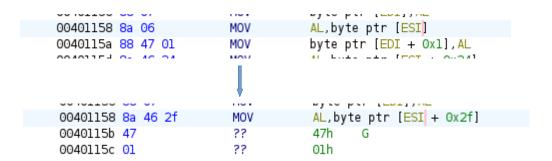
- Arguments: hDlg, nIDDlgItem, lpString, cchMax.
- Return value: UINT (length of the copied string).

MessageBox: Displays an information box with text.

- Arguments: hWnd, lpText, lpCaption, uType.
- Return value: int (ID of the pressed button).
- 1. Calling of the function GetDlgItemText:
  - Call address: 00401097.
  - $\circ$  Gets the text from the element with ID 0x65 (101) in the dialog (probably a text field) and stores it in DAT\_00403058.
- 2. Calling of the function DialogBoxParam:
  - Call address: 0040101e.
  - $\circ$  Creates a dialog box from the template with ID 0x64 (100) and sets the message handler to LAB\_0040102a.
- 3. Calling of the function CorrectMessageBox:
  - Call address: 004010ea.
  - Displayed if the input string is correct.
  - Text: "Right!" (address 00403000)

#### **Custom Accepted String Replacement**

Since I was unable to change the longer (mapping) string (ghidra did not allow me to change the *ds* command), I decided to use the original. I searched for a suitable word of length 8 characters. Since I was using the original string, I tried to implement the password as my name *Ondrej+ko*. But after trying to change the *FUN\_00401146*, I realized I would need a lot of workaround to be able to replace the second character (uppercase I) It had some kind of problem with how address and required to add two more commands after it to assign correct amount of memory. I couldn't solve it. So my third option, *hIJacked*, was implemented. To implement I just replaced the offset in each character assigning in the *FUN\_00401146*.





#### Modified FUN\_00401146 function:

```
FUNCTION
           ***********************
           undefined1 * __stdcall FUN_00401146(undefined1 * param_1
  undefined1 *
                 EAX:4
                             <RETURN>
  undefined1 *
                                                                   0040114d(R)
                 Stack[0x4]:4 param 1
                                                       XREF[1]:
  undefined1 *
                 Stack[0x8]:4 param 2
                                                       XREF[1]:
                                                                   00401150(R)
           FUN 00401146
                                             XREF[1]:
                                                        004010b3(c)
00401146 55
                  PUSH
                            EBP
00401147 8b ec
                   MOV
                            EBP,ESP
00401149 56
                  PUSH
                            ESI
0040114a 57
                  PUSH
                            EDI
0040114b 33 c0
                            EAX,EAX
                   XOR
                              ESI,dword ptr [EBP + param_1]
                     MOV
0040114d 8b 75 08
                                                                  //set parameter_1 for long string
                              EDI,dword ptr [EBP + param 2]
                                                                  //set parameter 2 for short string
00401150 8b 7d 0c
                    MOV
00401153 8a 46 12
                    MOV
                              AL, byte ptr [ESI + 0x12]
                                                                  //h
00401156 88 07
                    MOV
                             byte ptr [EDI],AL
                             AL, byte ptr [ESI]
                                                                  //I
00401158 8a 06
                   MOV
0040115a 88 47 01
                              byte ptr [EDI + 0x1], AL
                    MOV
0040115d 8a 46 24
                    MOV
                              AL, byte ptr [ESI + 0x24]
                                                                  //J
                    MOV
                              byte ptr [EDI + 0x2], AL
00401160 88 47 02
00401163 8a 46 18
                    MOV
                              AL, byte ptr [ESI + 0x18]
                                                                  //a
00401166 88 47 03
                    MOV
                              byte ptr [EDI + 0x3], AL
00401169 8a 46 16
                    MOV
                              AL, byte ptr [ESI + 0x16]
                                                                  //c
0040116c 88 47 04
                    MOV
                              byte ptr [EDI + 0x4], AL
0040116f 8a 46 17
                    MOV
                              AL, byte ptr [ESI + 0x17]
                                                                  //k
                              byte ptr [EDI + 0x5],AL
00401172 88 47 05
                    MOV
00401175 8a 46 0b
                    MOV
                              AL, byte ptr [ESI + 0xb]
                                                                  //e
                              byte ptr [EDI + 0x6], AL
00401178 88 47 06
                    MOV
0040117b 8a 46 14
                    MOV
                              AL, byte ptr [ESI + 0x14]
                                                                  //d
0040117e 88 47 07
                    MOV
                              byte ptr [EDI + 0x7].AL
00401181 8b c7
                   MOV
                             EAX,EDI
00401183 5f
                  POP
                          EDI
00401184 5e
                  POP
                           ESI
00401185 c9
                  LEAVE
00401186 c2 08 00
                    RET
                             0x8
  assume FS OFFSET = 0xffdff000
00401189 cc
                  ??
                         CCh
```

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