H*cking WASM Debugging

Lessons from h*cking/solving WASM challs





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International competition Black Hat MEA 12th place VolgaCTF 8th place ACSC 53th place ICC 3rd place

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\$ wasm --about

- Web + Assembly
- Compiles from various
 languagest, C, C++, ...
- Use existing complex libraries
 - Complex 3D engine, blockchain
- Security in mind
 - Sandbox system, isolated



memory management, so hard



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- WASM video games are becoming very common
 - Newgrounds, Kongregate, ...
- Unity3D and Unreal engine 4 can now both target WASM
- Retargeted desktop applications
- 3D applications





\$ wasm --hack

- Web becomes traditional way to reverse back to ASM
- radare2
- JEB decompiler
- Wabt (WASM binary toolkit)
- Cetus (more like a cheat engine)





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001e5c1	i32.const 32
001e5c3	i32.add
001e5c4	global.set \$global0
001e5c6)
001e5c9	(func \$func388 (param \$var0 i32) (param \$var1 i32)
001e5c9	(local \$var2 i32)
001e5c9	(local \$var3 i32)
001e5cc	block \$label0
001e5ce	local.get \$var1
001e5d0	i32.const -1
001e5d2	i32.eq
001e5d3	if
001e5d5	i32.const 9617972
001e5da	i32.const 4
001e5dc	i32.const 0
001e5de	call \$func1683
001e5e1	i32.load
001e5e4	local.tee \$var0
001e5e6	i32.const 4
001e5e8	i32.const 5632
001e5eb	call \$func1683
001e5ee	i32.load offset=5632
001e5f2	132.eqz
001e5f3	br_if \$label0
001e5f5	local.get \$var0
001e5f7	i32.const 4
001e5f9	i32.const 5636
001e5fc	call \$func1683
001e5ff	i32.load offset=5636
001e603	br_if \$label0
001e605	local.get \$var0
001e607	i32.const 1
001e609	i32.store offset=5632
001e60d	global.get \$global3
001e60f	if

WASM

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module	
(table 🛛 anyfunc)	
(memory \$0 1)	
<pre>(export "memory" (memory \$0))</pre>	
<pre>(export "factorial" (func \$factorial))</pre>	
(func \$factorial (; 0 ;) (param \$0 i32) (
(local \$1 i32)	
(local \$2 i32)	
(set_local \$2	
(i32.const 1)	
(block \$label\$0	
(br_if \$label\$0	
(132.lt_s	
(get_local \$0)	
(132.const 2)	
(set_local \$2	
(132.const 1)	
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(cot local #0)	
(get_local \$0)	
(get_totat \$2)	
(set local \$1	
(i32.gt s	
(get local \$0)	
(i32.const 2)	
(set_local \$0	
(i32.add	
(get_local \$0)	
(i32.const <mark>-1</mark>)	
(br_if \$label\$1	
(get_local \$1)	
(get_local \$2)	

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<pre>2 (type \$t0 (func (result i32)))</pre>	
3 (func \$a (type \$t0) (result i32)	
4 (local \$10 i32) (local \$11 i32) (loc
5 i32.const 2	
6 set_local \$10	
7 loop \$L0	
8 get_local \$10	
9 i32.const 2	
0 i32.gt_u	
1 if \$I1	
2 block \$B2	
3 get_local \$10	
4 set_local \$12	
5 loop \$L3 (result i32)	
6 get_local \$10	
7 get_local \$12	
8 i32.const -1	

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- Solving CTF like challenge

- Method 1: debugging

- Method 2: overwriting wasm







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\$ wasm --demo2

- Trying real life game

- https://github.com/GMH-Code/Quake-WASM
- https://quake.m-h.org.uk/







