

Why are our tools terrible?

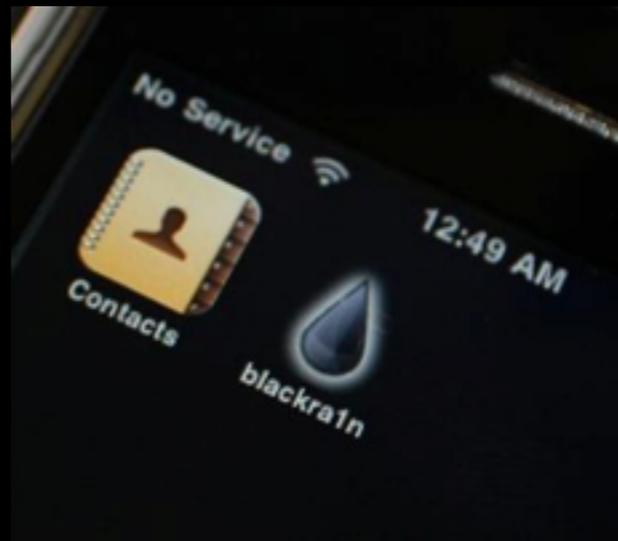
(and a bit about other things)

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“geohot”



Costanza for News



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pwnium

- `ab.__defineGetter__("byteLength",
function() { return 0xFFFFFFFFFC; });`
- spawn crash with fake messages
- send commands to crash by spoofing the window id
- `try_touch_experiment %s` command injection
- race condition in mount to get root
- magic symlinks to persist

towelroot

- CVE-2014-3153 found by comex, 6/7/14
- futex() syscall, break out of Linux sandbox
 - (yes, this would've worked for pwnium)
- towelroot, universal android root
- Used by 50 million people

“tomcr00se”



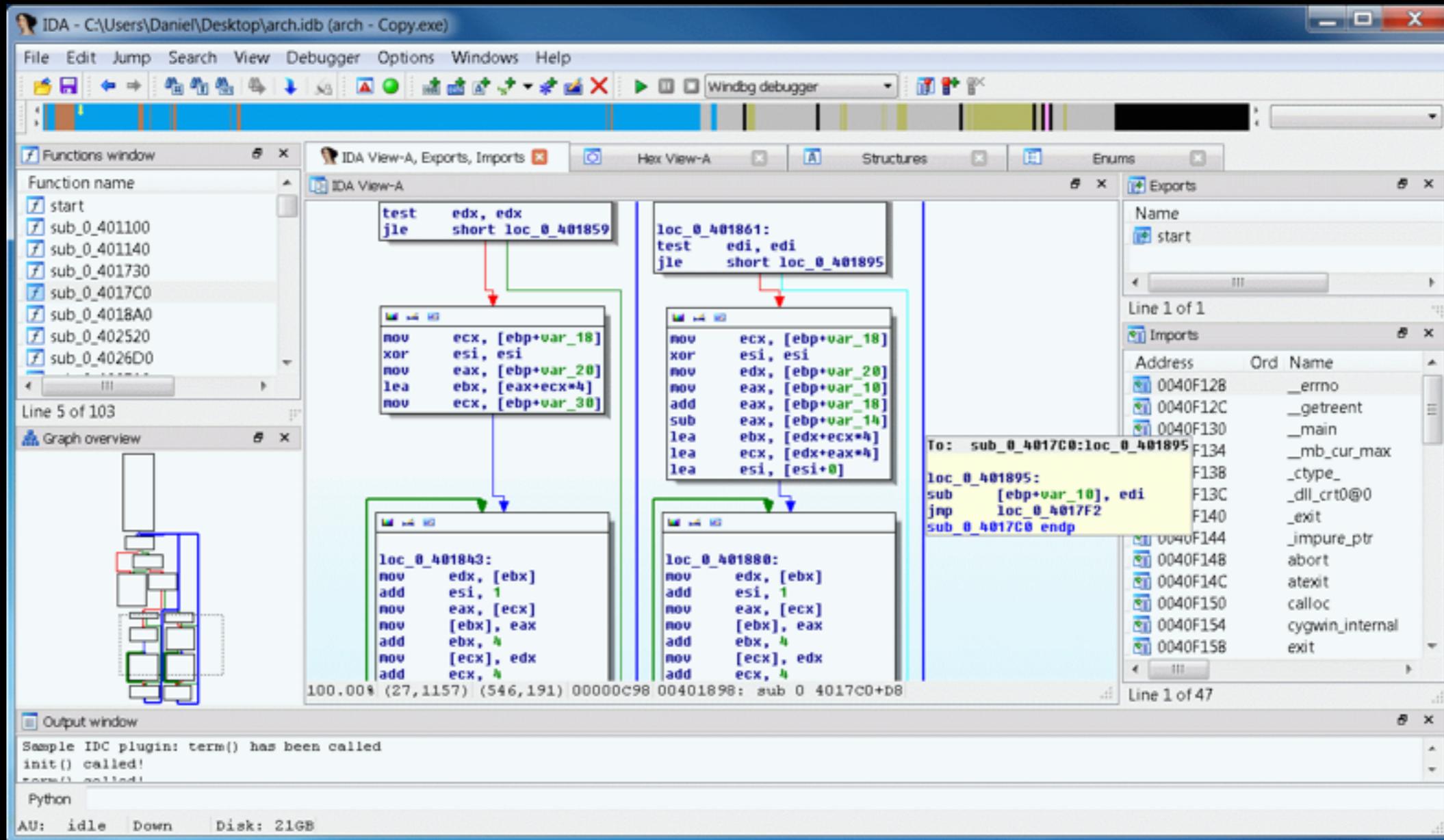
My 2014



GDB is Terrible

```
vagrant@eagle:~/demoqira$ gdb demo_1
GNU gdb (Ubuntu 7.7-0ubuntu3.1) 7.7
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License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>
This is free software: you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law.  Type "show copying"
and "show warranty" for details.
This GDB was configured as "x86_64-linux-gnu".
Type "show configuration" for configuration details.
For bug reporting instructions, please see:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>.
Find the GDB manual and other documentation resources online at:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/documentation/>.
For help, type "help".
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
Reading symbols from demo_1...(no debugging symbols found)...done.
(gdb) r
Starting program: /home/vagrant/demoqira/demo_1
number: ^C
Program received signal SIGINT, Interrupt.
0xf7fdb430 in __kernel_vsyscall ()
(gdb) bt
#0  0xf7fdb430 in __kernel_vsyscall ()
#1  0xf7eec483 in read () from /lib/i386-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
#2  0xf7e81503 in _IO_file_underflow () from /lib/i386-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
#3  0xf7e823e9 in _IO_default_uflow () from /lib/i386-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
#4  0xf7e8221b in __uflow () from /lib/i386-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
#5  0xf7e61d3d in _IO_vfscanf () from /lib/i386-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
#6  0xf7e673d6 in __isoc99_scanf () from /lib/i386-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
#7  0x0804853b in main ()
(gdb) █
```

Think of the first time you used IDA...

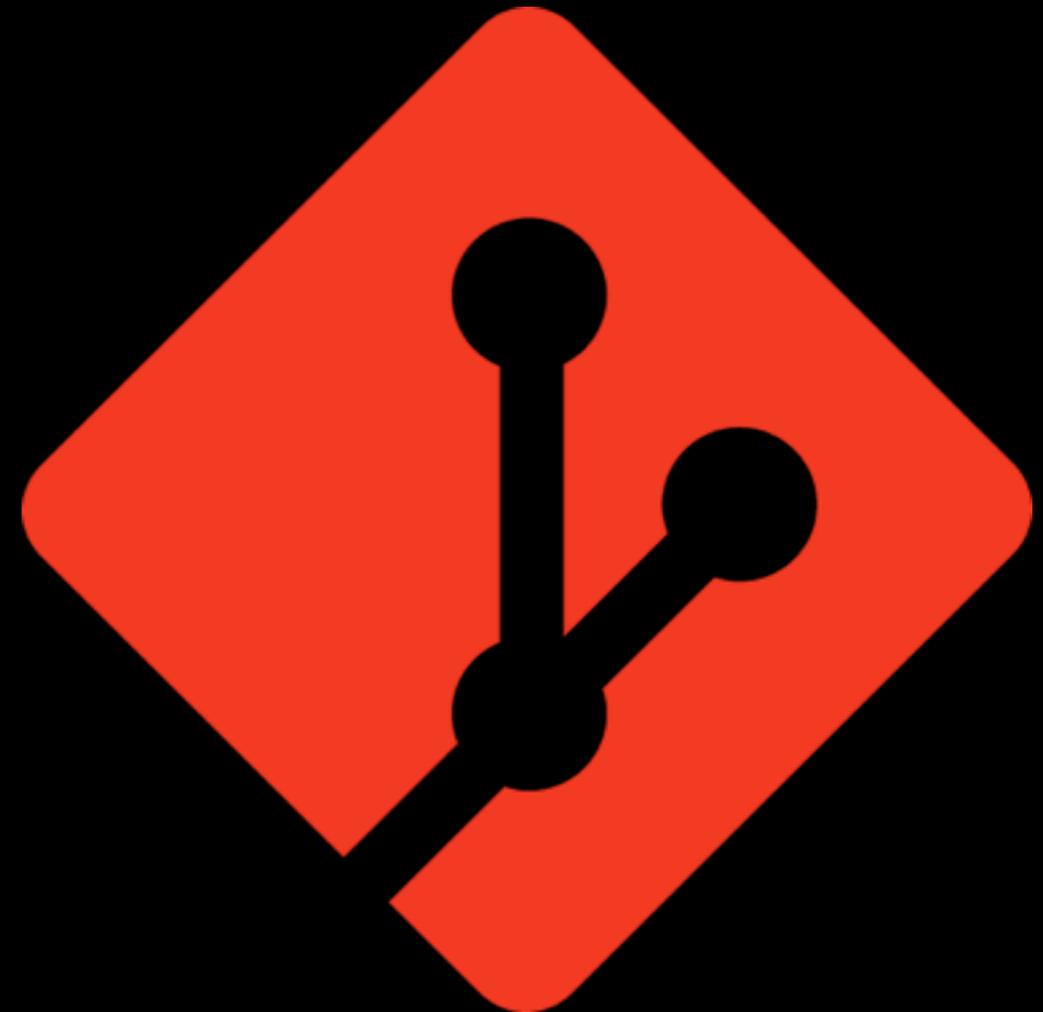


...now think of what is possible.

Version Control

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EAX: 0x0          ECX: 0x3          EDX: 0x8049f38
EBX: 0x8049ff4    ESP: 0xf6ffeeac  EBP: 0xf6ffef48
ESI: 0xf67fe918  EDI: 0x0         EIP: 0x80483e4

0xf6ffeeac -- 0x8048531
0xf6ffee80: 0xf6ffeed8 00 00 00 01 03 00 00 00 0xf67fe53c .....<...
0xf6ffee90: 0xf6ffee50 03 00 00 00 03 00 00 00 02 00 00 00 P.....
0xf6ffeea0: 0x804825a 0x8049ff4 0xf6ffef48 | 0x8048531 Z.....H...1...
0xf6ffeeb0: 00 00 00 00 03 00 00 00 0xf67fdff4 65 c4 7e f6 .....e.~.
0xf6ffeec0: 0xf67fe4e4 0a 00 00 00 0xf66135e8 0xf67da928 .....5a.(.}.
0xf6ffeed0: 0xf67fe918 0xf67da928 0xf67fe53c 24 c3 7e f6 ....(.).<...$.~.
0xf6ffeee0: 0xf67fe4e4 0xf67fea74 0xf67b4a20 75 f4 67 f6 ....t... J{.u.g.
0xf6ffef00: 0xf67b4a20 0xf67fdff4 0xf67fe918 0xf67fe020 J{.....
0xf6ffef10: 0xf67f73d2 ec 04 00 00 0c 00 00 00 20 08 00 00 .s.....
0xf6ffef20: 0xf67fe4e4 00 00 00 00 0xf67fe024 00 00 00 00 .....$.
0xf6ffef30: 0x804822c 0xf6ffef84 8b c2 7e f6 0xf67b3ff4 ,.....~..?{.
0xf6ffef40: 0xf67b51e0 03 00 00 00 |0xf67b43e4 81 ff 63 f6 .Q{.....C{...c.
0xf6ffef50: 00 00 00 00 03 00 00 00 0xf6ffefa8 2f 9f 65 f6 ...../.e.
0xf6ffef60: 0xf67b4a20 0x804854c 0xf6ffef84 00 9f 65 01 J{.L.....e.
0xf6ffef70: 06 00 00 00 0xf67fe918 0xf67b3ff4 0xf67b3ff4 .....?{..?{.
```



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The image displays a debugger window with several panels:

- Disassembly Panel (Left):** Shows assembly instructions from address 0x80483ab to 0x8048553. Instruction 103, `call __isoc99_scanf`, is highlighted in red. Below the instructions, the register state is shown: `EAX: 0xf6fff518`, `ECX: 0xf67bd898`, `EDX: 0x0`, `EBX: 0xf67bc000`, `ESP: 0xf6fff4f0`, `EBP: 0xf6fff528`, `ESI: 0x0`, `EDI: 0x0`, `EIP: 0x8048536`. A comment below the registers reads `0xf6fff4ec <-- 0x804853b`.
- Memory Panel (Bottom Left):** Displays a memory dump starting at `0xf6fff4c0`, showing hex values and their corresponding ASCII characters.
- Control Flow Graph (Right):** A graph with nodes representing code blocks. The main node is `main` (0x80484ee-0x804855b). It branches to `loc_804855d` (0x804855d-0x8048569) and `loc_804856b` (0x804856b-0x8048572). Both branch to `loc_8048577` (0x8048577-0x804857d).
- Code Panel (Bottom Right):** Shows assembly code for `main` and `_init`. The `main` function includes instructions for stack setup, `scanf` calls, and conditional jumps. The `_init` function includes stack setup and a jump to `main`.

Where was eip?

```
loc_8048538  mov dword ptr [esp], 0x8048640
0x804853f    call printf
0x8048544    mov eax, dword ptr [__stdout]
0x8048549    mov dword ptr [esp], eax
0x804854c    call fflush
0x8048551    lea eax, dword ptr [esp + 0x24]
0x8048555    mov dword ptr [esp + 4], eax
0x8048559    mov dword ptr [esp], 0x8048649
0x8048560    call __isoc99_scanf
0x8048565    mov edx, dword ptr [esp + 0x18]
0x8048569    mov eax, dword ptr [esp + 0x1c]
0x804856d    imul eax, edx
0x8048570    mov edx, dword ptr [esp + 0x20]
0x8048574    shl edx, 2
0x8048577    add eax, edx
0x8048579    mov dword ptr [esp + 0x2c], eax
0x804857d    mov eax, dword ptr [esp + 0x24]
0x8048581    cmp dword ptr [esp + 0x2c], eax
0x8048585    jne loc_8048595
```

```
loc_8048518  mov edx, dword ptr [esp + 0x1c]
0x804851c    mov eax, dword ptr [esp + 0x28]
0x8048520    add edx, eax
0x8048522    mov eax, dword ptr [esp + 0x20]
0x8048526    add eax, edx
0x8048528    mov dword ptr [esp + 0x20], eax
0x804852c    add dword ptr [esp + 0x28], 1
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```
loc_8048595  mov dword ptr [esp], aNOPE
0x804859c    call puts
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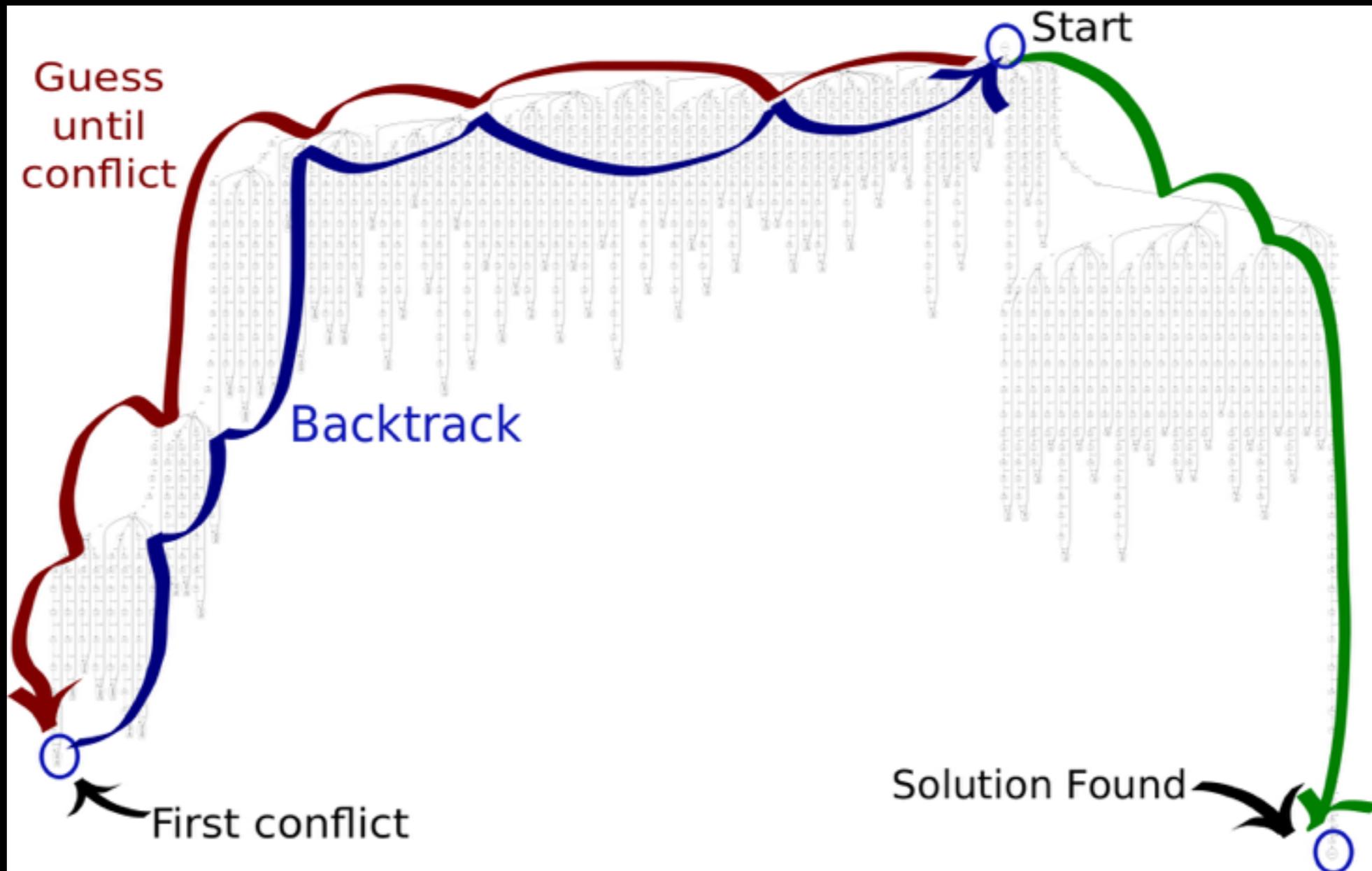
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loc_8048587  mov dword ptr [esp], aWINNER
0x804858e    call puts
0x8048593    jmp loc_80485a1
```

```
loc_80485a1  mov eax, 0
0x80485a6    leave
0x80485a7    ret
```

DEMO

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Rewind Forking



```
0xf6fff430: 0xf6fff3ec 03 00 00 00 03 00 00 00 02 00 00 00
0xf6fff440: 0xf6fff4a0 81 b1 7e f6 0xf67daa10 0xf67daa10 0x804863d
0xf6fff450: 0xf6fff470 03 00 00 00 0xf67fe000 72 c3 7e f6
0xf6fff460: 0xf67fe504 0xf660f000 0xf6fff484 0xf67bc030
0xf6fff470: 0xf67fe938 0xf67da858 0xf67fe55c 2c c2 7e f6
0xf6fff480: 0xf67fe504 0xf67dd40c 08 00 00 00 0xf67dab48
0xf6fff490: 01 00 00 00 0xf67bc000 00 00 00 00 0xf67fe040
```

Future of the Project

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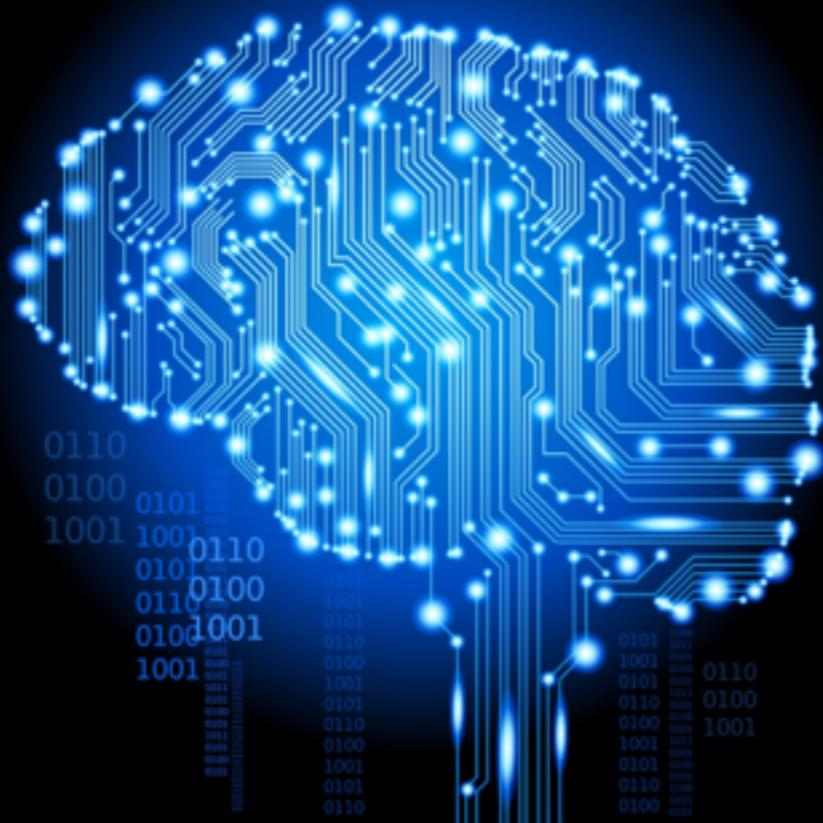


Companies spend millions of dollars
to make puzzles for me to solve



But the puzzles are getting
tedious and repetitive

My 2015



I'm retired from hacking

Questions?

<https://github.com/BinaryAnalysisPlatform/qira>

<https://soundcloud.com/tomcr00se>