

debugging/valgrind/example\_\_use\_\_after\_\_free

## Valgrind

### Example: Valgrind - Use after free

- Source code use\_after\_free.c++

```
#include <iostream>

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    auto *charArray = new char[10];
    delete [] charArray;
    std::cout << charArray[0] << std::endl;
}
```

- Set up valgrind and build environment

```
module add \
    compiler/gnu \
    devel/valgrind
```

- Build application

```
c++ -O1 -g use_after_free.c++ -o use_after_free
```

- Examine use\_after\_free program with valgrind memchecker

```
valgrind ./use_after_free

==3318937== Memcheck, a memory error detector
==3318937== Copyright (C) 2002-2022, and GNU GPL'd, by Julian Seward et al.
==3318937== Using Valgrind-3.20.0 and LibVEX; rerun with -h for copyright info
==3318937== Command: ./use_after_free
==3318937==
==3318937== Invalid read of size 1
==3318937==    at 0x400840: main (use_after_free.c++:6)
==3318937==    Address 0x5bcec80 is 0 bytes inside a block of size 10 free'd
==3318937==    at 0x4C3B6FB: operator delete[](void*) (in /.../libexec/valgrind/vgprelo
==3318937==    by 0x40083F: main (use_after_free.c++:5)
==3318937==    Block was alloc'd at
```

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==3318937==    at 0x4C391AF: operator new[](unsigned long) (in /.../libexec/valgrind/vg
==3318937==    by 0x400834: main (use_after_free.c++:4)
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==3318937==
==3318937== HEAP SUMMARY:
==3318937==       in use at exit: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==3318937==   total heap usage: 3 allocs, 3 frees, 73,738 bytes allocated
==3318937==
==3318937== All heap blocks were freed -- no leaks are possible
==3318937==
==3318937== For lists of detected and suppressed errors, rerun with: -s
==3318937== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 0 from 0)
```