

# LiveRecorder 9.0 quick reference



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### LAUNCHING OR ATTACHING

\$ live-record PROGRAM [ARGUMENTS]
Start PROGRAM under recording

\$ live-record --pid PID or -p PID Attach to process PID and start recording

\$ live-record --retry-for TIME PROGRAM
Start PROGRAM repeatedly for TIME, until a recording is made (interacts with the --save-on option)

--quiet or -q
Suppress all LiveRecorder output apart from errors

#### WHEN TO START RECORDING

When attaching, live-record always starts recording immediately

--record-on entry

Start recording at the program entry point (default)

--record-on immediate

Start recording at the very first instruction, including the linker

--record-on symbol:SYMBOL

Start recording when execution first reaches SYMBOL

--record-on program: PATTERN

Record any child process whose name matches PATTERN

### WHEN TO SAVE A RECORDING FILE

Save a recording only in specified circumstances, to allow recording of unreliable programs, only saving a recording on failure

--save-on always

Always save a recording at termination or detach (default)

--save-on error

Save a recording if the program terminates with an error

--save-on exit-non-zero

Save a recording if the program exits with a non-zero exit status

--save-on exit-signal

Save a recording if the program exits due to an unhandled signal

--save-on exit-zero

Save a recording if the program exits with a zero exit status

--save-on detach

Save a recording when live-record is detached from the program

--save-on unsupported

Save a recording if the program does something unsupported

--save-on event-log-full

Save a recording when the Undo event log is full

--save-on A.B

Save a recording if either condition A or B is satisfied

### **OUTPUT LOCATION**

--recording-file FILENAME or -o FILENAME

Save any recording to FILENAME

--recording-dir DIRNAME

Save any recordings to DIRNAME

#### THREAD FUZZING

--thread-fuzzing

Enable thread fuzzing – vary thread scheduling to provoke bugs

--thread-fuzzing-analyze REFERENCE (experimental)

Use Undo recording REFERENCE to guide thread fuzzing;
The reference recording should be made with --disable-aslr

--thread-fuzzing-feedback (experimental)

Analyze execution while recording to guide thread fuzzing

# **CONTROLLING WITH SIGNALS**

live-record --list or -1

List all currently running LiveRecorder sessions

Send SIGINT

Detach from the target process, saving according to **--save-on** 

Send SIGUSR1

Detach from the target process, always saving a recording

Send SIGTERM

Detach from the target process, never saving a recording

## **EXTRA OPTIONS**

--disable-aslr

Disable address space layout randomization for repeatability

--max-event-log-size SIZE[K|M|G]

Set the maximum size for the Undo event log

--tmpdir-root DIRNAME

Use DIRNAME for temporary file storage

--verbose

Print extra information at startup and when saving a recording

### THE UNDOLR API

As well as the command-line live-record tool, Undo recordings can also be made by integrating the LiveRecorder API into your application.

This gives complete control over when to start and stop recording, and whether to save a recording file. For example:

```
#include "undolr.h"

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    init_stage();

    undolr_start(...);
    critical_stage(...);
    undolr_save(FILENAME);
    undolr_stop(...);

    cleanup_stage();
}
```