

CIRCL - Digital Forensics 1.0.3

Introduction: Windows-, Memory- and File Forensics



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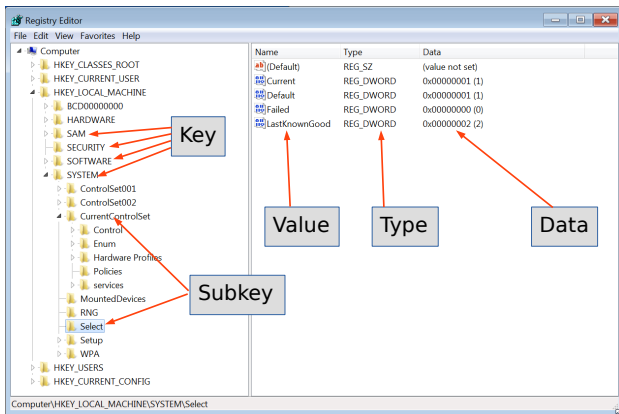


1. Windows Registry

1.1 About: Windows Registry

- MS DOS and old Windows
 - On system boot: What programs to load
 - How the system interact with the user
 - `autoexec.bat`
 - `config.sys`
 - `system.ini`
 - `win.ini`
 - <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/256986/>
 - A central hierarchical database
 - Replace text based config files
 - Contains information for operating
 - Hardware system wide
 - OS all aspects
 - Applications installed
 - User preferences / behavior
- A gold mine for forensics

1.1 About: Windows Registry



Key data structures contains a last write time stamp

1.1 About: Windows Registry

- Hive files: Location

`%SystemRoot%\system32\config`

→ SAM, SECURITY, SYSTEM, SOFTWARE

`%UserProfile%\NTUSER.DAT`

`%UserProfile%\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\UsrClass.dat`

→ Created during system boot

- How often do you manually edit the Registry?

- `regedit.exe`

- Black Magic for many admins

→ Every user interacts with the Registry

- Timestamps → Timeline

1.2 Under the hood: Key Cell

```
0000:  a0ff ffff  6e6b 2000  6f0f 0e3b  b78d d101  ....nk .o.;...
0010:  0200 0000  085e 0500  0000 0000  0000 0000  .....^.....
0020:  ffff ffff  ffff ffff  0200 0000  0021 0500  .....!...
0030:  102e 0000  ffff ffff  0000 0000  0000 0000  .....
0040:  1400 0000  1000 0000  0000 0000  0a00 0000  .....
0050:  496e 7465  7266 6163  6573 0080  0200 0000  Interfaces.....
```

| | | | | |
|-----------|------|-----|------|--------------------|
| Offsets : | 0x00 | 0 | 4 | Size |
| | 0x04 | 4 | 2 | Node ID |
| | 0x06 | 6 | 2 | Node type |
| | 0x08 | 8 | 8 | Last write time |
| | ... | ... | | |
| | 0x4c | 76 | 2 | Length of key name |
| | 0x50 | 80 | <76> | key name + padding |

- Exercise: Calculate the size of the key cell
a0 ff ff ff
- Exercise: Calculate the size of the key name
0a 00

1.2 Under the hood: Value Cell

```
0000:          d8ff ffff  766b 0d00          ....vk..
0010:  0400 0080 0200 0000  0400 0000 0100 0000  .....
0020:  4c61 7374 4b6e 6f77  6e47 6f6f 6400 0000  LastKnownGood...
```

| | | | | |
|----------|------|----|---|-------------------|
| Offset : | 0x00 | 0 | 4 | Size |
| | 0x04 | 4 | 2 | Node ID |
| | 0x06 | 6 | 2 | Value name length |
| | 0x08 | 8 | 4 | Data length |
| | 0x0c | 12 | 4 | Data offset |
| | 0x10 | 16 | 4 | value typw |

- Exercise: Calculate the size of the value cell

d8 ff ff ff

- Exercise: Calculate the size of the value name length

0d 00

1.3 Hive files

- SAM
 - Security Accounts Manager: Local users
- Security
 - Audit settings
 - Machine, domain SID
- System
 - Hardware configuration
 - System configuration
- Software
 - Windows settings
 - Application information
- NTUser.dat
 - User behavior and settings
- UsrClass.dat
 - Graphical User Interface information

1.3 Hive files

- Windows XP:

C:\Documents and Settings\\NTUSER.DAT

C:\Documents and Settings\\Local Settings\
Application Data\Microsoft\Windows\UsrClass.dat

- Windows Vista and above:

C:\Users\\NTUSER.DAT

C:\Users\\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\
UsrClass.dat

- C:\Windows\inf\setupapi.log
(Plug and Play Log)

1.3 Hive files - Exercise: Get hive files

Extract registry hive files from forensic image

```
- mkdir registry/out
```

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1. Investigate Meta-Information

```
ewfinfo image.E01  
ewfexport image.E01
```

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3. Copy files

```
mkdir registry
cp /media/case1/WINDOWS/system32/config/SAM registry
cp /media/case1/WINDOWS/system32/config/software registry
cp /media/case1/WINDOWS/system32/config/system registry
cp /media/case1/WINDOWS/system32/config/SECURITY registry
cp /media/case1/Documents\ and\ Settings/Jean/NTUSER.DAT registry
cp /media/case1//Documents\ and\ Settings/Jean/Local\ Settings/
  Application\ Data/Microsoft/Windows/UsrClass.dat registry/
ls registry/
mkdir registry/out
```

1.4 RegRipper

- <https://github.com/keydet89/RegRipper4.0>
- Plugins: 385

```
regripper -h
Rip v.3.0 - CLI RegRipper tool
Rip [-r Reg hive file] [-f profile] [-p plugin] [options]
Parse Windows Registry files, using either a single module, or a profile.
```

```
ls /usr/lib/regripper/plugins | grep pl$ | wc -l
249
```

```
ls /usr/lib/regripper/plugins | grep -v pl$
all
amcache
ntuser
sam
security
software
syscache
system
usrclass
```

1.4 RegRipper - Examples

```
regripper -p compname -r software
  Select not found.
```

```
regripper -p compname -r system
  ComputerName = JEAN-13FBF038A3
  TCP/IP Hostname = jean-13fbf038a3
```

```
regripper -p run -r NTUSER.DAT
```

```
Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
LastWrite Time 2008-07-18 04:36:52Z
  MSMSGs - "C:\Program Files\Messenger\msmsgs.exe" /background
  Aim6 - "C:\Program Files\AIM6\aim6.exe" /d locale=en-US ee://aol/imApp
```

```
regripper -p run -r software
```

```
Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
LastWrite Time 2008-07-06 07:21:46Z
  VMware User Process - C:\Program Files\VMware\VMware Tools\VMwareUser.exe
  VMware Tools - C:\Program Files\VMware\VMware Tools\VMwareTray.exe
```

```
Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run\OptionalComponents
LastWrite Time 2008-07-06 07:21:46Z
```


1.4 RegRipper - Examples

```
mkdir registry/out
```

```
regripper -f sam -r SAM > out/sam.txt  
regripper -a      -r SAM > out/sam2.txt  
less registry/out/sam.txt
```

User Information

```
Username      : Administrator [500]  
Full Name     :  
User Comment  : Built-in account for administering the computer/domain  
Account Type  : Default Admin User  
Account Created : 2008-05-13 22:20:14Z  
Name          :  
Last Login Date : 2008-07-21 01:22:18Z  
Pwd Reset Date : 2008-05-13 22:23:39Z  
Pwd Fail Date  : Never  
Login Count   : 24  
Embedded RID   : 500  
  -> Password does not expire  
  -> Normal user account  
  
Username      : Guest [501]  
Full Name     :  
User Comment  : Built-in account for guest access to the computer/domain  
Account Type  : Default Guest Acct  
Account Created : 2008-05-13 22:20:14Z
```

1.5 RegRipper: Exercise

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```

```
regripper -a -r SAM > out/sam.txt
regripper -a -r SECURITY > out/security.txt
regripper -a -r software > out/software.txt
regripper -a -r system > out/system.txt
regripper -a -r NTUSER.DAT > out/NTUser.txt
regripper -a -r UsrClass.dat > out/UsrClass.txt
```

```
ls -lh out/
 24K Nov 11 07:46 NTUser.txt
 7.1K Nov 11 07:47 sam.txt
 603 Nov 11 07:46 security.txt
658K Nov 11 07:46 software.txt
157K Nov 11 07:46 system.txt
 1.5K Nov 11 07:47 UsrClass.txt
```

1.6 General information: sam, security

```
less out/SAM.txt
```

```
Username      : Administrator [500]
  Last Login Date : 2008-07-21 01:22:18Z
  Pwd Fail Date   : Never
  Login Count     : 24
```

```
Username      : Jean [1004]
  Last Login Date : 2008-07-20 00:00:41Z
  Pwd Fail Date   : Never
  Login Count     : 80
```

```
Group Name    : Administrators [7]
LastWrite     : 2008-05-14 05:35:35Z
S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1006
S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1008
S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1007
S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1005
S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1003
S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-500
S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1004
```

```
less out/security.txt
```

1.6 General information: system, software

```
regripper -p winver -r software
```

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| ProductName | Microsoft Windows XP |
| CSDVersion | Service Pack 3 |
| BuildLab | 2600.xpsp.080413-2111 |
| RegisteredOrganization | |
| RegisteredOwner | Jean User |
| InstallDate | 2008-05-13 21:29:32Z |

```
regripper -p networkcards -r software
```

| Description | Key | LastWrite time |
|--------------------------------------|-----|----------------------|
| VMware Accelerated AMD PCNet Adapter | | 2008-05-14 05:31:26Z |

```
regripper -p uninstall -r software
```

```
2008-07-19 23:32:23Z
  VMware Tools v.3.2.0.1288
  .....
```

```
regripper -p ips -r system
```

| | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| IPAddress | Domain |
| 192.168.117.129 | localdomain |

1.6 General information: system, software

```
regripper -p profilelist -r software
```

```
Path      : %SystemDrive%\Documents and Settings\Jean  
SID       : S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1004  
LastWrite : 2008-07-21 01:18:00Z
```

```
Path      : %SystemDrive%\Documents and Settings\Devon  
SID       : S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-1007  
LastWrite : 2008-07-12 06:04:40Z
```

```
Path      : %SystemDrive%\Documents and Settings\Administrator  
SID       : S-1-5-21-484763869-796845957-839522115-500  
LastWrite : 2008-07-21 01:31:01Z
```

```
regripper -p shutdown -r system
```

```
ControlSet001\Control\Windows key, ShutdownTime value  
LastWrite time: 2008-07-21 01:31:32Z  
ShutdownTime  : 2008-07-21 01:31:32Z
```

```
regripper -p timezone -r system
```

```
ControlSet001\Control\TimeZoneInformation  
LastWrite Time 2008-05-14 06:55:57Z  
DaylightName   -> GMT Daylight Time
```

1.7 Tracing user activity

MRU - Most Recently Used

Open/Save As dialog box

```
regripper -p comdlg32 -r NTUSER.DAT
```

Recent Docs opened via Win. Explorer

```
regripper -p recentdocs -r NTUSER.DAT
```

ShellBags (Win7+)

Properties of folders

```
regripper -p shellbags -r UsrClass.dat
```

Program execution

UserAssist: GUI based launched

```
regripper -p userassist -r NTUSER.DAT
```

ShimCache: Track compatibility issues

```
regripper -p shimcache -r system
```

1.7 Tracing user activity

USB attached devices

USBStor: Attached devices

```
less /media/case1/WINDOWS/setupapi.log  
regripper -p usbstor -r system
```

USBStor: Vendor & Product ID

```
regripper -p usb -r system
```

MountedDevices

```
regripper -p mountdev -r system
```

MountPoints

```
regripper -p mp2 -r NTUSER.DAT
```

SANS Posters:

```
https://www.sans.org/posters/windows-forensic-analysis/  
https://www.sans.org/posters/hunt-evil/
```




2. Windows Event Logs

2.1 Introduction

- Up to Windows XP
 - Mainly 3 .evt files:
 - Security: `secevent.evt`
 - System: `sysevent.evt`
 - Application: `appevent.evt`
 - ... maybe some server service specific
 - Location: `/Windows/System32/config/`
 - Binary Event Log file format

- Beginning with Vista
 - Many .evtx files:
 - Security.evtx
 - System.evtx
 - Application.evtx
 - 120 files ++
 - Location: `/Windows/System32/winevt/Logs/`
 - New binary XML format

2.1 Introduction

- Advantage
 - Full fledged logging
 - Logging important events: E.g. Logon Success, ...
 - Detailed information

- Disadvantage
 - Limited period of time
 - Important events not logged by default: E.g. Logon Fail
 - Many events, hard to find related information

- Always interesting
 - Logon / Logoff
 - System boot
 - Services started
 - Hardware (dis)connected

2.2 Example: Event Viewer

The screenshot shows the Windows Event Viewer application. The left pane displays the tree view for 'Event Viewer (Local)', with 'Security' selected under 'Windows Logs'. The main pane shows a list of security events. The selected event, ID 4624, is highlighted in blue. Below the list, the details for event 4624 are displayed, showing that an account was successfully logged on.

| Keywords | Date and Time | Source | Event ID | Task Cate... |
|------------|---------------------|--------------|----------|---------------|
| Audit S... | 16/04/2020 18:17:28 | Microsoft... | 4672 | Special Lo... |
| Audit S... | 16/04/2020 18:17:28 | Microsoft... | 4624 | Logon |
| Audit S... | 16/04/2020 18:17:28 | Microsoft... | 4624 | Logon |
| Audit S... | 16/04/2020 18:17:28 | Microsoft... | 4648 | Logon |
| Audit S... | 16/04/2020 18:16:57 | Microsoft... | 4624 | Logon |
| Audit S... | 16/04/2020 18:16:55 | Microsoft... | 5024 | Other Surt |

Event 4624, Microsoft Windows security auditing.

General Details

An account was successfully logged on.

Subject:

- Security ID: SYSTEM
- Account Name: WIN7WSS
- Account Domain: WORKGROUP
- Logon ID: 0x3e7

Logon Type: 2

New Logon:

- Security ID: Win7WS\John
- Account Name: John
- Account Domain: Win7WS
- Logon ID: 0x18333
- Logon GUID: (00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000)

Process Information:

- Process ID: 0x18c

2.3 Get support

- Review logging policies

```
$ rip.pl -r SECURITY -p auditpol
```

```
.....  
system:Other System Events          S/F  
Logon/Logoff:Logon                   S  
Logon/Logoff:Logoff                  S  
Logon/Logoff:Account Lockout        S  
Logon/Logoff:IPsec Main Mode        N  
Logon/Logoff:IPsec Quick Mode       S  
Logon/Logoff:IPsec Extended Mode    N  
Logon/Logoff:Special Logon          N  
Logon/Logoff:Other Logon/Logoff Events N  
Logon/Logoff:Network Policy Server  S/F  
Object Access:File System           N  
.....
```

- Online:

- Microsoft TechNet
- <https://www.ultimatewindowssecurity.com/securitylog/encyclopedia/>
- <http://eventid.net/>

2.4 Extracting and exploring event logs: Exercise

Extracting event logs

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Extracting event logs

```
mkdir evtX
mkdir evtX/out

mmls nps-2008-jean.raw
sudo mount -o ro,offset=$((512*63)) nps-2008-jean.raw /media/sansforensics/casenps/

cp /media/sansforensics/casenps/WINDOWS/system32/config/AppEvent.Evt evtX/
cp /media/sansforensics/casenps/WINDOWS/system32/config/SecEvent.Evt evtX/
cp /media/sansforensics/casenps/WINDOWS/system32/config/SysEvent.Evt evtX/
ls -lh evtX/
```

Exploring event logs

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Extracting event logs

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mkdir evtX
mkdir evtX/out

mmls image.raw
sudo mount=oro,offset=$((512*63)) image.raw/media/case1/

cp /media/case1/WINDOWS/system32/config/AppEvent.Evt evtX/
cp /media/case1/WINDOWS/system32/config/SecEvent.Evt evtX/
cp /media/case1/WINDOWS/system32/config/SysEvent.Evt evtX/
ls -lh evtX/
```

Exploring event logs

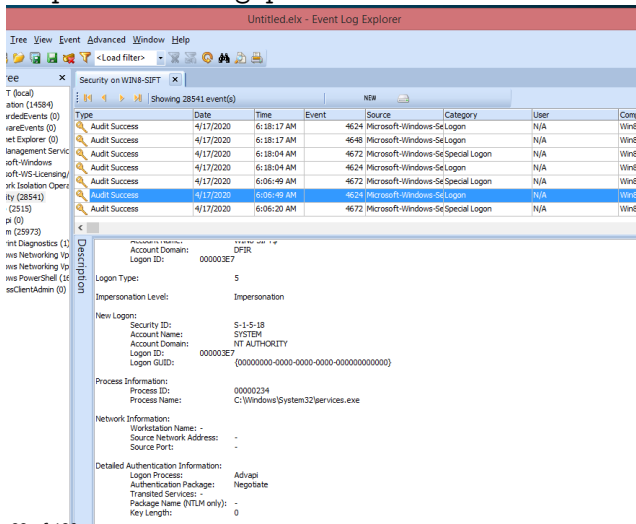
```
sudo apt install libevt-utils

evtinfo evtX/AppEvent.Evt
evtinfo evtX/SecEvent.Evt
evtinfo evtX/SysEvent.Evt

evtexport AppEvent.Evt | less
evtexport SysEvent.Evt | less
```


2.4 Extracting and exploring event logs

<https://eventlogxp.com/>



The screenshot shows the Event Log Explorer application window titled "Untitled.elx - Event Log Explorer". The interface includes a menu bar (File, View, Event, Advanced, Window, Help) and a toolbar with icons for loading filters and other functions. The main area displays a list of events for the "Security on WIN8-SIFT" log, showing 28541 events. The selected event is an "Audit Success" event from 4/17/2020 at 6:06:20 AM, with source "Microsoft-Windows-SeSpecial Logon" and user "N/A".

| Type | Date | Time | Event | Source | Category | User | Comp |
|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|-----------------------------------|----------|------|------|
| Audit Success | 4/17/2020 | 6:18:17 AM | 4624 | Microsoft-Windows-SeLogon | N/A | Win8 | Win8 |
| Audit Success | 4/17/2020 | 6:18:17 AM | 4648 | Microsoft-Windows-SeLogon | N/A | Win8 | Win8 |
| Audit Success | 4/17/2020 | 6:18:04 AM | 4672 | Microsoft-Windows-SeSpecial Logon | N/A | Win8 | Win8 |
| Audit Success | 4/17/2020 | 6:18:04 AM | 4624 | Microsoft-Windows-SeLogon | N/A | Win8 | Win8 |
| Audit Success | 4/17/2020 | 6:06:49 AM | 4672 | Microsoft-Windows-SeSpecial Logon | N/A | Win8 | Win8 |
| Audit Success | 4/17/2020 | 6:06:49 AM | 4624 | Microsoft-Windows-SeLogon | N/A | Win8 | Win8 |
| Audit Success | 4/17/2020 | 6:06:20 AM | 4672 | Microsoft-Windows-SeSpecial Logon | N/A | Win8 | Win8 |

The detailed description of the selected event includes:

- Account Domain: DFIR
- Logon ID: 000003E7
- Logon Type: 5
- Impersonation Level: Impersonation
- New Logon:
 - Security ID: S-1-5-18
 - Account Name: SYSTEM
 - Account Domain: NT AUTHORITY
 - Logon ID: 000003E7
 - Logon GUID: {00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000}
- Process Information:
 - Process ID: 00000234
 - Process Name: C:\Windows\System32\services.exe
- Network Information:
 - Workstation Name: -
 - Source Network Address: -
 - Source Port: -
- Detailed Authentication Information:
 - Logon Process: Advapi
 - Authentication Package: Negotiate
 - Transited Services: -
 - Package Name (NTLM only): -
 - Key Length: 0

2.5 Example .evtx

- Logon Success

```
$ evtxexport Security.evtx | less
.....
Event number           : 668
Written time           : Apr 15, 2019 12:58:33.650031000 UTC
Event level             : Information (0)
Computer name          : Win7WS
Source name            : Microsoft-Windows-Security-Auditing
Event identifier       : 0x00001210 (4624)
Number of strings      : 20
String: 1              : S-1-5-18
String: 2              : WIN7WS$
String: 3              : WORKGROUP
String: 4              : 0x000000000000003e7
String: 5              : S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000
String: 6              : John
String: 7              : Win7WS
String: 9              : 2
.....
String: 17             : 0x0000018c
String: 18             : C:\Windows\System32\winlogon.exe
String: 19             : 127.0.0.1
```

- Logon Fail

```
$ evtxexport Security.evtx | grep 4625
```

2.5 Example .evtx

Monterey Technology Group, ... (US) | https://www.ultimatewindowssecurity.com/se | [Icons: Print, Menu, Star] [Download Arrow]

This is a valuable piece of information as it tells you HOW the user just logged on:

| Logon Type | Description |
|------------|--|
| 2 | Interactive (logon at keyboard and screen of system) |
| 3 | Network (i.e. connection to shared folder on this computer from elsewhere on network) |
| 4 | Batch (i.e. scheduled task) |
| 5 | Service (Service startup) |
| 7 | Unlock (i.e. unattended workstation with password protected screen saver) |
| 8 | NetworkCleartext (Logon with credentials sent in the clear text. Most often indicates a logon to IIS with "basic authentication") See this article for more information. |
| 9 | NewCredentials such as with RunAs or mapping a network drive with alternate credentials. This logon type does not seem to show up in any events. If you want to track users attempting to logon with alternate credentials see 4648 . MS says "A caller cloned its current token and specified new credentials for outbound connections. The new logon session has the same local identity, but uses different credentials for other network connections." |
| 10 | RemoteInteractive (Terminal Services, Remote Desktop or Remote Assistance) |
| 11 | CachedInteractive (logon with cached domain credentials such as when logging on to a laptop when away from the network) |

Impersonation Level: (Win2012 and later)

From MSDN

| | |
|-----------|---|
| Anonymous | Anonymous COM impersonation level that hides the identity of the caller. Calls to WMI may fail with this impersonation level. |
|-----------|---|

2.6 Other log files

- `/Windows/setuplog.txt`
 - Untill WinXP, when Windows is installed
- `/Windows//Debug/netsetup.log`
 - Untill WinXP, when Windows is installed
- `/Windows/setupact.log`
 - Graphical part of setup process

```
2019-04-05 11:39:56, Info CBS Starting the TrustedInstaller main loop.  
2019-04-05 11:39:56, Info CBS TrustedInstaller service starts successfully.  
2019-04-05 11:39:56, Info CBS Setup in progress, aborting startup processing check  
2019-04-05 11:39:56, Info CBS Startup processing thread terminated normally
```

- `/Windows/setupapi.log`
 - `/Windows/inf/setupapi.dev.log`
 - `/Windows/inf/setupapi.app.log`
 - `/Windows/inf/setupapi.offline.log`
- `/Windows/Tasks/SCHEDLGU.TXT`
 - Task Scheduler Log

2.7 Exercise: Automated tools

Example: Chainsaw

```
wget https://github.com/WithSecureLabs/chainsaw/releases/
      download/v2.10.1/chainsaw_all_platforms+rules.zip

7z x chainsaw_all_platforms+rules.zip
cd chainsaw
chmod +x ./chainsaw_x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu
git clone https://github.com/sbousseaden/EVTX-ATTACK-SAMPLES.git

./chainsaw_x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu hunt EVTX-ATTACK-SAMPLES/ -s sigma/
  --mapping mappings/sigma-event-logs-all.yml | less

[+] Loading detection rules from: sigma/
[!] Loaded 3336 detection rules (490 not loaded)
[+] Loading forensic artefacts from: EVTX-ATTACK-SAMPLES/Command
    and Control, 2 (extensions: .evt, .evtx)
```

Challenge: Hayabusa

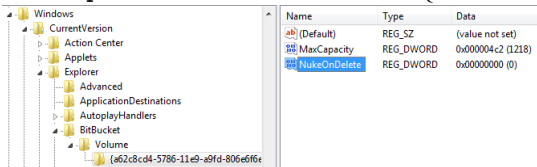
```
https://github.com/Yamato-Security/hayabusa
```



3. Other Windows Artifacts

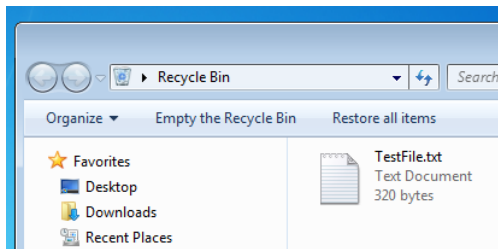
3.1 Recycle Bin - User support to undelete

- Files move to Recycle Bin:
 - Moved by mouse
 - Right click: Delete
- Not move to Recycle Bin:
 - Right click: Delete + SHIFT
 - Command line: del
 - Files on network shares
- NukeOnDelete
 - HKEY_USERS/_UID_/Software/Microsoft/Windows/CurrentVersion/Explorer/BitBucket/Volume/{_Volume ID_}/NukeOnDelete



3.1 Recycle Bin - Life-Investigate

- Play script: `TextFile.txt`
 - 2019-04-30 17:31:57 UTC+2: Born
 - 2019-04-30 17:34:44 UTC+2: Content Modified
 - 2019-04-30 17:35:32 UTC+2: Deleted
- Analyze Recycle.Bin:



3.1 Recycle Bin - Forensics

- Play script: `TextFile.txt`
 - 2019-04-30 17:31:57 UTC+2: Born
 - 2019-04-30 17:34:44 UTC+2: Content Modified
 - 2019-04-30 17:35:32 UTC+2: Deleted
- Analyze `Recycle.Bin` directory:

```
/$Recycle.Bin/S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000/  
129 Apr  5 11:46  desktop.ini  
544 Apr 30 17:35  '$IOMHI9A.txt '  
320 Apr 30 17:34  '$ROMHI9A.txt '
```

```
strings -el \"$IOMHI9A.txt  
C:\Users\John\Documents\recycleTest\TestFile.txt
```

```
strings \"$ROMHI9A.txt  
    Test File  
  
This is a test file. It is just created to test Forensic  
Artifacts for the 'Recycle Bin'.  
.....
```

3.1 Recycle Bin - Forensics

- Play script: `TextFile.txt`
 - 2019-04-30 17:31:57 UTC+2: Born
 - 2019-04-30 17:34:44 UTC+2: Content Modified
 - 2019-04-30 17:35:32 UTC+2: Deleted
- File system timeline `Recycle.Bin` directory:

```
Tue Apr 30 2019 17:31:57
  320 ...b 47164-128-1 /$Recycle.Bin/S-1-5-21- ..... -1000/$ROMHI9A.txt
```

```
Tue Apr 30 2019 17:34:44
  320 ma.. 47164-128-1 /$Recycle.Bin/S-1-5-21- ..... -1000/$ROMHI9A.txt
```

```
Tue Apr 30 2019 17:35:32
  544 macb 44155-128-1 /$Recycle.Bin/S-1-5-21- ..... -1000/$IOMHI9A.txt
   48 mac. 47022-144-1 /Users/John/Documents/recycleTest
  320 ..c. 47164-128-1 /$Recycle.Bin/S-1-5-21- ..... -1000/$ROMHI9A.txt
  376 mac. 9632-144-1 /$Recycle.Bin/S-1-5-21- ..... -1000
```

3.1 Recycle Bin - Filename & Extension

The image shows a Windows Explorer window with the address bar set to `John > My Pictures > h4k`. The main area displays "This folder is empty." Below the Explorer window, a Command Prompt window is open, showing the following commands and their outputs:

```
C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>
C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>
C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>
C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>
C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>dir /A
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is EC54-506F

Directory of C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000

04/05/2020  14:33    <DIR>          -
04/05/2020  14:33    <DIR>          -
04/05/2020  14:33                544 $IIZEPW2A.txt
04/05/2020  12:50                8 $RZEPW2A.txt
05/04/2019  11:46                129 desktop.ini
               3 File(s)      681 bytes
               2 Dir(s)      2 712 735 744 bytes free

C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>dir /A
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is EC54-506F

Directory of C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000

04/05/2020  14:35    <DIR>          -
04/05/2020  14:35    <DIR>          -
04/05/2020  14:35                544 $IYY7Z01.png
10/04/2019  11:00               166 507 $RY7Z01.png
05/04/2019  11:46                129 desktop.ini
               3 File(s)      167 180 bytes
               2 Dir(s)      2 712 735 744 bytes free

C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>type $IYY7Z01.png
@buE"iOC : \ Users \ John \ Pictures \ h4k \
ite - logo . png

C:\$Recycle.Bin\S-1-5-21-3400732720-2018246097-660081352-1000>
```

The Explorer window also shows the Recycle Bin icon in the left sidebar, which is currently empty.

3.2 LNK Files

- Link or shortcut to files, applications, resources
- User activity: Files access
 - Local
 - Network shares
 - Attached devices
- LNK file remain after target file is deleted

Thu May 02 2019 14:54:02

280 ... b 43701-144-1 /Users/John/Documents/LNK

Thu May 02 2019 14:54:28

66 macb 43702-128-1 /Users/John/Documents/LNK/Test.txt

1573 macb 43922-128-4 /Users/John/AppData/Roaming/Microsoft/
Windows/Recent/LNK.lnk

2779 macb 43716-128-4 /Users/John/AppData/Roaming/Microsoft/
Windows/Recent/Test.txt.lnk

3.2 LNK Files

- Information inside LNK files
 - Target file MAC times
 - Target file size
 - Target file path
 - Volume information

```
exiftool Test.txt.lnk
...
Create Date       : 2019:05:02 14:54:28+02:00
Access Date      : 2019:05:02 14:54:28+02:00
Modify Date      : 2019:05:02 14:54:28+02:00
Target File Size  : 66
Icon Index       : (none)
Run Window       : Normal
Hot Key          : (none)
Drive Type       : Fixed Disk
Volume Label     :
Local Base Path   : C:\Users\
Net Name         : 8
Net Provider Type : Unknown (0x20000)
Relative Path    : ..\..\..\..\Documents\Test\Test.txt
Working Directory : C:\Users\John\Documents\Test
Machine ID      : john-pc
```

3.2 LNK Files: Exercise

Extract and investigate LNK file for document: 'm57biz.xls'

Preparation work:

3.2 LNK Files: Exercise

Extract and investigate LNK file for document: 'm57biz.xls'

Preparation work:

```
sudo mount -o ro,offset=$((512*63)) image.raw /media/case1  
mkdir lnk
```

Copy LNK file:

3.2 LNK Files: Exercise

Extract and investigate LNK file for document: 'm57biz.xls'

Preparation work:

```
sudo mount -o ro,offset=$((512*63)) image.raw /media/case1  
mkdir lnk
```

Copy LNK file:

```
cp /media/case1/Documents\ and\ Settings/Jean/Recent/m57biz.lnk lnk/
```

Investigate with exiftool:

3.2 LNK Files: Exercise

Extract and investigate LNK file for document: 'm57biz.xls'

Preparation work:

```
sudo mount -o ro,offset=$((512*63)) image.raw /media/case1
mkdir lnk
```

Copy LNK file:

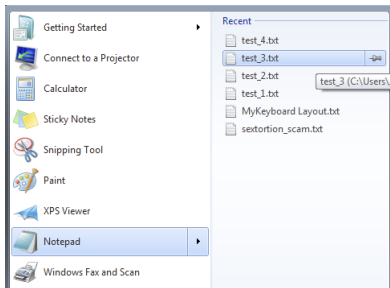
```
cp /media/case1/Documents\ and\ Settings/Jean/Recent/m57biz.lnk lnk/
```

Investigate with exiftool:

```
exiftool lnk/m57biz.lnk
.....
File Attributes           : Archive
Create Date              : 2008:07:20 01:28:03+00:00
Access Date              : 2008:07:20 01:28:03+00:00
Modify Date              : 2008:07:20 01:28:03+00:00
Target File Size         : 291840
Drive Type                : Fixed Disk
Local Base Path          : C:\Documents and Settings\Jean\Desktop\m57biz.xls
Machine ID                : jean-13fbf038a3
```

3.3 Jump Lists

- Introduced with Windows 7
- Similar Recent folder
- Recently opened documents / application
- Makes them accessible at Windows main menu



AppData/Roaming/Microsoft/Windows/Recent/AutomaticDestinations

AppData/Roaming/Microsoft/Windows/Recent/CustomDestinations

3.3 Jump Lists

- File names start with 16 hex characters → JumpList ID
- File names end with `.xxxDestinations-ms`

```
C:> dir \Users\John\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Recent\AutomaticDestinations

04/05/2020  12:50          33 792 1b4dd67f29cb1962.automaticDestinations-ms
14/06/2019  16:43           4 608 28c8b86deab549a1.automaticDestinations-ms
10/04/2019  14:32         29 696 6824f4a902c78fbd.automaticDestinations-ms
10/04/2020  14:12           9 216 7e4dca80246863e3.automaticDestinations-ms
04/05/2020  12:50           8 704 918e0ecb43d17e23.automaticDestinations-ms
10/04/2019  14:30           3 072 b74736c2bd8cc8a5.automaticDestinations-ms
09/04/2019  14:43           6 144 de48a32edcbe79e4.automaticDestinations-ms
```

- Each Hex value correspond to an fixed application
- 918e0ecb43d17e23 = Notepad.exe

→ <https://github.com/EricZimmerman/JumpList/blob/master/JumpList/Resources/AppIDs.txt>

3.3 Jump Lists

- Exercise: Identify applications

```
cd JumpLists/AutomaticDestinations/  
ls -l
```

```
1b4dd67f29cb1962 . automaticDestinations-ms ->  
28c8b86deab549a1 . automaticDestinations-ms ->  
6824f4a902c78fbd . automaticDestinations-ms ->  
7e4dca80246863e3 . automaticDestinations-ms ->  
918e0ecb43d17e23 . automaticDestinations-ms ->  
b74736c2bd8cc8a5 . automaticDestinations-ms ->  
de48a32edcbe79e4 . automaticDestinations-ms ->
```

- Exercise: Analyze the Notepad Jump List file

3.3 Jump Lists

- Exercise: Identify applications

```
cd JumpLists/AutomaticDestinations/  
ll
```

```
1b4dd67f29cb1962 . automaticDestinations-ms -> Windows Explorer  
28c8b86deab549a1 . automaticDestinations-ms -> Internet Explorer 8  
6824f4a902c78fbd . automaticDestinations-ms -> Firefox 64.x  
7e4dca80246863e3 . automaticDestinations-ms -> Control Panel  
918e0ecb43d17e23 . automaticDestinations-ms -> Notepad (32-bit)  
b74736c2bd8cc8a5 . automaticDestinations-ms -> WinZip  
de48a32edcbe79e4 . automaticDestinations-ms -> Acrobat Reader 15.x
```

- Exercise: Analyze the Notepad Jump List file

3.3 Jump Lists

- Exercise: Identify applications

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cd JumpLists/AutomaticDestinations/  
ll
```

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b74736c2bd8cc8a5.automaticDestinations-ms -> WinZip  
de48a32edcbe79e4.automaticDestinations-ms -> Acrobat Reader 15.x
```

- Exercise: Analyze the Notepad Jump List file

```
7z l 918e0ecb43d17e23.automaticDestinations-ms
```

| Date | Time | Attr | Size | Compressed | Name |
|------|------|-------|------|------------|------|
| | | | 1398 | 1408 | 2 |
| | | | 1368 | 1408 | 1 |
| | | | 436 | 448 | 4 |
| | | | 392 | 448 | 3 |

```
-> file
```

```
-> exiftool
```

```
-> strings
```

```
7z x 918e0ecb43d17e23.automaticDestinations-ms  
strings -el DestList
```

3.4 Prefetch Files

- Application prefetching since XP
 - Monitor an application when it starts
 - Collect information about resources needed
 - Wait 10sec after application started
 - Know where to find the resources
 - Better performance: App launch faster
 - Better user experience

- Forensics value:
 - Proof an application was started
 - Secondary artifact
 - Created by the OS
 - Not deleted by the attacker
 - Even if the application don't exists anymore
 - And more

3.4 Prefetch Files

- Example: From file system time line

```
Thu May 02 2019 14:52:40
179712 .a..          10940-128-3 /Windows/notepad.exe
```

```
Thu May 02 2019 14:52:50
    56 mac.          42729-144-6 /Windows/Prefetch
16280 macb          43700-128-4 /Windows/Prefetch/NOTEPAD.EXE-D8414F97.pf
```

- Elements of the file name at `/Windows/Prefetch`
 - Application name
 - One way hash of path to the application
 - File extension: `.pf`
- Information found inside a Prefetch file:
 - Run count: How often application run
 - Last time executed
 - Application name incl. parameter
 - Path to application and resources

3.4 Prefetch Files

- Parsing a Prefetch file

```
prefetch.py -f NOTEPAD.EXE-D8414F97.pf
```

```
Executable Name: NOTEPAD.EXE
```

```
Run count: 1
```

```
Last Executed: 2019-05-02 12:52:40.339584
```

```
Resources loaded:
```

```
1: \DEVICE\HARDDISKVOLUME2\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\NTDLL.DLL
```

```
2: \DEVICE\HARDDISKVOLUME2\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\KERNEL32.DLL
```

```
3: \DEVICE\HARDDISKVOLUME2\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\APISETSCHEMA.DLL
```

```
4: \DEVICE\HARDDISKVOLUME2\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\KERNELBASE.DLL
```

```
.....
```

```
.....
```

- Additional benefits like:
 - User folder where the malware got executed
 - Compare Run count of different VSS could
→ Behavior of user

3.4 Prefetch Files: Exercise

Extract and investigate the Excel prefetch file

Copy prefetch file :

```
mkdir prefetch
cp /media/sansforensics/casenps/WINDOWS/Prefetch/EXCEL.EXE-1C75F8D6.pf prefetch/
```

Investigate LNK file :

```
strings -el prefetch/EXCEL.EXE-1C75F8D6.pf | less
```

```
pref.pl -f prefetch/EXCEL.EXE-1C75F8D6.pf
```

```
File       : prefetch/EXCEL.EXE-1C75F8D6.pf
Exe Path   : \\DEVICE\\HARDDISKVOLUME1\\PROGRAM FILES\\MICROSOFT OFFICE\\OFFICE\\EXCEL.EXE
Last Run   : Sun Jul 20 01:27:40 2008
Run Count  : 2
```

3.5 XP Restore Points

- Backup of:
 - Critical system files
 - Registry partially
 - Local user profiles
 - But NO user data!
- Created automatically:
 - Every 24 hours
 - Windows Update
 - Installation of applications incl. driver
 - Manually
- For user: Useful to recover a broken system
- For analyst:
 - `rp.log`
 - Description of the cause
 - Time stamp
 - State of the system at different times

3.6 VSS - Volume Shadow Copy Service

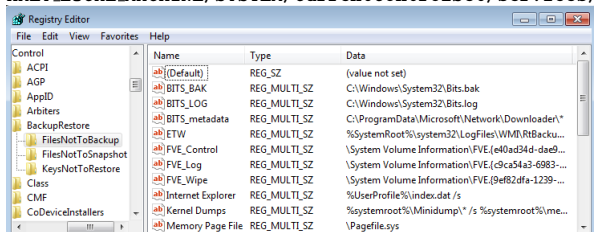
- Backup Service
 - System files
 - User data files
 - Operates on block level
- On live system
 - Run CMD as administrator

```
>vssadmin list shadows /for=c:/
vssadmin 1.1 - Volume Shadow Copy Service administrative command-line tool
(C) Copyright 2001-2005 Microsoft Corp.
```

```
Contents of shadow copy set ID: {33eb3a7b-6d03-4045-aa70-37b714d49c72}
  Contained 1 shadow copies at creation time: 10/04/2019 16:06:30
    Shadow Copy ID: {34d9910b-ac1d-4b10-b282-89dde217d0fb}
      Original Volume: (C:)\?\?\Volume{a62c8cd4-5786-11e9-a9fd-806e6f6e6963}\
      Shadow Copy Volume: \?\?\GLOBALROOT\Device\HarddiskVolumeShadowCopy1
      Originating Machine: Win7WS
      Service Machine: Win7WS
      Provider: 'Microsoft Software Shadow Copy provider 1.0'
      Type: ClientAccessibleWriters
      Attributes: Persistent, Client-accessible, No auto release, Differential,
      Auto recovered
```

3.6 VSS - Configuration

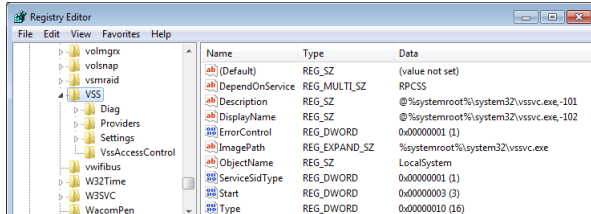
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE/SYSTEM/CurrentControlSet/services/VSS



The screenshot shows the Registry Editor window with the path HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE/SYSTEM/CurrentControlSet/services/VSS selected. The left pane shows the tree structure with 'BackupRestore' expanded. The right pane displays a list of registry values:

| Name | Type | Data |
|-------------------|--------------|---|
| (Default) | REG_SZ | (value not set) |
| BITS_BAK | REG_MULTI_SZ | C:\Windows\System32\Bits.bak |
| BITS_LOG | REG_MULTI_SZ | C:\Windows\System32\Bits.log |
| BITS_metadata | REG_MULTI_SZ | C:\ProgramData\Microsoft\Network\Downloader* |
| ETW | REG_MULTI_SZ | %SystemRoot%\system32\LogFiles\WMI\RtBacku... |
| FVE_Control | REG_MULTI_SZ | \System Volume Information\FVE.{e40ad34d-dae9-... |
| FVE_Log | REG_MULTI_SZ | \System Volume Information\FVE.{c9ca54a3-6983-... |
| FVE_Wipe | REG_MULTI_SZ | \System Volume Information\FVE.{9ef82dfa-1239-... |
| Internet Explorer | REG_MULTI_SZ | %UserProfile%\index.dat /s |
| Kernel Dumps | REG_MULTI_SZ | %systemroot%\Minidump* /s %systemroot%\me... |
| Memory Page File | REG_MULTI_SZ | \Pagefile.sys |

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE/SYSTEM/CurrentControlSet/Control/BackupRestore



The screenshot shows the Registry Editor window with the path HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE/SYSTEM/CurrentControlSet/Control/BackupRestore selected. The left pane shows the tree structure with 'VSS' expanded. The right pane displays a list of registry values:

| Name | Type | Data |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| (Default) | REG_SZ | (value not set) |
| DependOnService | REG_MULTI_SZ | RPCSS |
| Description | REG_SZ | @%systemroot%\system32\vssvc.exe,-101 |
| DisplayName | REG_SZ | @%systemroot%\system32\vssvc.exe,-102 |
| ErrorControl | REG_DWORD | 0x00000001 (1) |
| ImagePath | REG_EXPAND_SZ | %systemroot%\system32\vssvc.exe |
| ObjectName | REG_SZ | LocalSystem |
| ServiceSidType | REG_DWORD | 0x00000001 (1) |
| Start | REG_DWORD | 0x00000003 (3) |
| Type | REG_DWORD | 0x00000010 (16) |

3.5 VSS - Analysis

Analyze disk image

```
vshadowinfo -o $((512*206848)) 8d34ce.raw
```

```
Volume Shadow Snapshot information:
```

```
Number of stores:      1
```

```
Store: 1
```

```
Identifier              : 237c8de3-5b99-11e9-9925-080027062798  
Shadow copy set ID      : 33eb3a7b-6d03-4045-aa70-37b714d49c72  
Creation time           : Apr 10, 2019 14:06:30.365699200 UTC  
Shadow copy ID          : 34d9910b-ac1d-4b10-b282-89dde217d0fb  
Volume size             : 11 GiB (12777947136 bytes)  
Attribute flags         : 0x0042000d
```

Mounting VSC: A 2 step approach

```
sudo vshadowmount -o $((512*206848)) 8d34ce.raw /mount/vss/
```

```
sudo ls -l /mount/vss/  
-r--r--r-- 1 root root 12777947136 Jan  1  1970 vss1
```

```
sudo file /mount/vss/vss1  
/mount/vss/vss1: DOS/MBR boot sector, code offset 0x52+2, OEM-ID "NTFS"
```

```
sudo mount -o ro /mount/vss/vss1 /mnt/
```



4. Basic Malware Analysis

4.1 Introduction

Take care: Self-Infection:

- Keep away from production
- Isolated machines (VMs)
- Network considerations

Exchange of malware via email:

- Password protected archive
- Password: `infected`

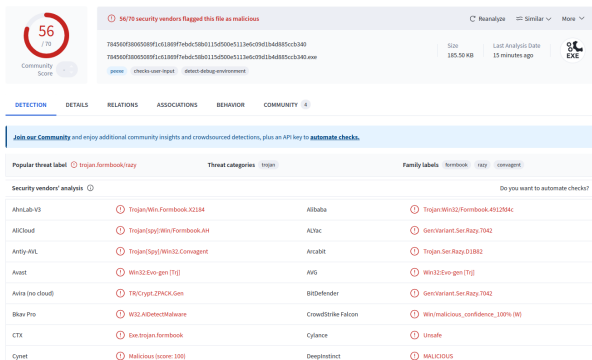
5 Phases of analysis

1. OSINT - Open Source Intelligence
2. Automatic Analysis (Sandbox)
3. Static Analysis
4. Dynamic Analysis (Behavioral Analysis)
5. Reverse Engineering

4.2 OSINT - IoCs

- Is the file `Form.exe` malicious?
- What it is doing?

```
ls -l Form.exe                                189952 Form.exe
md5sum Form.exe                               a8371cb187d99711691ccbecf8f35657
sha1sum Form.exe                              8dec32121d2f9f876c2b157451968796608d3dd5
sha256sum Form.exe 784560f38065089f1c61869f7ebdc58b0115d500e5113e6c09d1b4d885ccb340
```



The screenshot shows the VirusShare analysis page for the file `Form.exe`. The file's SHA-256 hash is `784560f38065089f1c61869f7ebdc58b0115d500e5113e6c09d1b4d885ccb340.exe`. The file size is 185.50 KB and the last analysis was performed 15 minutes ago. The page indicates that 46/70 security vendors flagged this file as malicious. The file is identified as a Trojan, specifically `Trojan.Formbook.Razy`. The page also shows a table of security vendors' analysis results.

| Vendor | Detection | Signature | Vendor | Detection | Signature |
|------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| AhnLab-V3 | ⓘ | Trojan/Win.Formbook.X2134 | AirBabu | ⓘ | Trojan/Win32/Formbook.4512544c |
| AICloud | ⓘ | Trojan(spy)/Win/Formbook.AH | ALYac | ⓘ | GenVariant.Ser.Razy.7042 |
| Antiy-AVL | ⓘ | Trojan/Spy/Win32.Convagent | ArcaMB | ⓘ | Trojan.Ser.Razy.D1B82 |
| Avast | ⓘ | Win32:Evo-gen [Trj] | AVG | ⓘ | Win32:Evo-gen [Trj] |
| Avira (no cloud) | ⓘ | TR/Crypt.ZPACK.Gen | BitDefender | ⓘ | GenVariant.Ser.Razy.7042 |
| Bkav Pro | ⓘ | Win32.ADetectMalware | CrowdStrike Falcon | ⓘ | Win/malicious_confidence_100% (W) |
| CTA | ⓘ | Exe.trojan.formbook | Cybereason | ⓘ | Unsafe |
| Cyren | ⓘ | Malicious (score: 100) | DeepInstinct | ⓘ | MALICIOUS |

4.2 OSINT - Malpedia



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w.in. formbook ([Back to overview](#))

Formbook

[Propose Change](#)

aka: win.xloader

Actor(s): [SWEED](#), [Cobalt](#)

[VTCollection](#) [URLhaus](#)

FormBook contains a unique crypter RunPE that has unique behavioral patterns subject to detection. It was initially called "Babushka Crypter" by Insidemalware.

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4.2 OSINT - VirusTotal Details

Activity Summary Download Artifacts ▾ Full Reports ▾ Help ▾

Behavior Tags ⊙ ^

checks-user-input detect-debug-environment obfuscated

Dynamic Analysis Sandbox Detections ⊙ ^

| |
|--|
| ⚠ The sandbox VMRay flags this file as: MALWARE |
| ⚠ The sandbox C2AE flags this file as: STEALER |
| ⚠ The sandbox CAPE Sandbox flags this file as: MALWARE |
| ⚠ The sandbox Zenbox flags this file as: MALWARE TROJAN |

MITRE ATT&CK Tactics and Techniques ^

- + Execution TA0002
- Persistence TA0003
 - 🔒 Hijack Execution Flow T1574
 - 🔒 DLL Side-Loading T1574.002
Tries to load missing DLLs
- + Privilege Escalation TA0004
- + Defense Evasion TA0005
- Credential Access TA0006
 - 🔒 Input Capture T1056
Creates a DirectInput object (often for capturing keystrokes)
- + Discovery TA0007
- + Collection TA0009
- + Command and Control TA0011


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Malware Behavior Catalog Tree ^


4.2 OSINT - abuse.ch - MalwareBazaar

MalwareBazaar Database


You are browsing the malware sample database of MalwareBazaar. If you would like to contribute malware samples to the corpus, you can do so through either using the [web upload](#) or the [API](#).



504
Submissions (past 24 hours)



Mirai
Most seen malware family (past 24 hours)




843'371
Malware samples in corpus

Using the form below, you can search for malware samples by a hash (MD5, SHA256, SHA1), imphash, tlsh hash, ClamAV signature, tag or malware family.

Browse Database

Search Syntax ?

Search:

| Date (UTC) | SHA256 hash | Type | Signature | Tags | Reporter | DL |
|------------------|-------------------------|------|-----------|--------------|-----------|---|
| 2023-03-29 13:07 | 784560f38065089f1c61... | exe | Formbook | exe FormBook | Anonymous |  |

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entries

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4.2 OSINT - MISPPriv

Tags type:OSINT tip:whit MALWARE

Date 2023-03-29

Threat Level Medium

Analysis Ongoing

Distribution All communities

Published Yes 2023-03-30 03:34:10

#Attributes 4006 (417 Objects)

First recorded change 2023-03-29 00:05:26

Last change 2023-03-30 00:03:02

Modification map

Sightings 509 (0)

Activity

Correlation Enabled (disable)

— Privs — Galaxy + Event graph + Event timeline + Correlation graph + Galaxy matrix + Event reports — Attributes — Discussion

154060: MalwareBa...

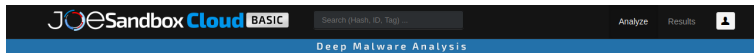
Galaxies

— previous next - view all

Scope toggle Deleted Decay score Context Related Tags Filtering tool (1) Expand all Objects Collapse all Attributes a8371cb187d9971166

| Date | Context | Category | Type | Value | Tags | Galaxies | Comment | Correlate | Related Events | Feed hits | IDS | Distribution | Sightings | Acth |
|------------|-----------|----------|-------------------|--|------|----------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----|--------------|-----------|---------|
| 2023-03-29 | ae9...06e | | Object name: file | md5: md5: a8371cb187d99711691ccbecf8735657 | | | Malware payload (Formbook) | | | | | | | Inherit |
| 2023-03-29 | 700...20c | | Payload delivery | md5: a8371cb187d99711691ccbecf8735657 | | | Malware payload (Formbook) | | | 119 | | | | Inherit |

4.3 Sandbox - Joe



1 Choose Analysis Architecture



2 Define Sample Source and Choose Analysis System

Upload Sample

[Add more files](#) [Clear files](#)

Form.exe selected

Make sure to use the original sample name.
Do not rename samples!

Browse URL

More Options

[Download & Execute File](#)

[Command Line](#)

Choose Analysis System

Select up to 3 of 3 available systems.

w10x64

10x w10x64

Windows 10 x64 22H2 with Office Professional Plus 2019, Chrome 117, Firefox 118, Adobe Reader DC 23, Java 8 Update 381, 7zip 23.01

3 Live Interaction & Results

4.3 Sandbox - Joe

JOESandbox Cloud BASIC

Overview Signatures Process Tree Domains / IPs Dropped Static Network Stats Behavior Disassembly

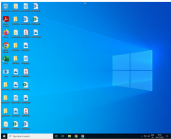
Windows Analysis Report

Form.exe


Overview

General Information

| | |
|--------------|---------------------|
| Sample name: | Form.exe |
| Analysis ID: | 1569184 |
| MD5: | a8371cb187d9971... |
| SHA1: | 8dec32121d29987... |
| SHA256: | 784560f38065089f... |
| Infos: | |



Detection



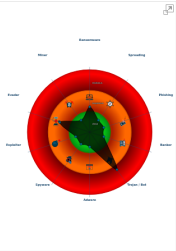
FormBook

| | |
|--------------|---------|
| Score: | 80 |
| Range: | 0 - 100 |
| Whitelisted: | false |
| Confidence: | 100% |

Signatures

- Antivirus / Scanner detection for submitted sa...
- Malicious sample detected (through commun...
- Multi AV Scanner detection for submitted file
- Yara detected FormBook
- AI detected suspicious sample
- Machine Learning detection for sample
- AV process strings found (often used to termin...
- Checks if the current process is being debugged
- Contains functionality for execution timing, ofte...
- Contains functionality to access loader functio...
- Detected potential crypto function
- One or more processes crash
- PE file does not import any functions

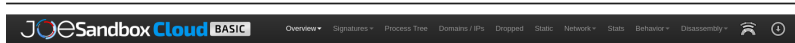
Classification



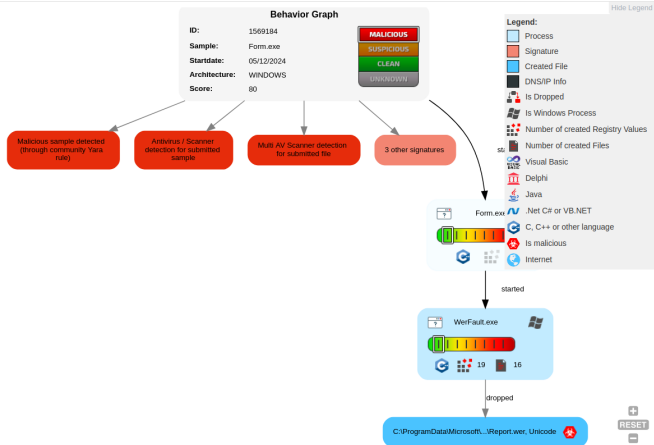
Process Tree

- System is w10x64
 - Form.exe (PID: 3680 cmdline: "C:\Users\user\Desktop\Form.exe" MD5: A8371CB187D99711691CCBECF8F35657)
 - WerFault.exe (PID: 6776 cmdline: C:\Windows\SysWOW64\WerFault.exe -u -p 3680 -s 228 MD5: C31336C1EFC2CC844B4326EA793040F2)
 - cleanup

4.3 Sandbox - Joe



Behavior Graph



4.3 Sandbox - Cuckoo3

cert-ee / cuckoo3

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Go to file Add file Code

cert-ee-raider Merge pull request #170 from cert-ee/feat/template_fix 6499a9b · 3 months ago 891 Commits

| | | |
|--------------------|--|---------------|
| .github | fix: Fixed template location | 3 months ago |
| INSTALL | docs: Quickstart | 3 months ago |
| common | Add ids_flag and timestamp to Misp processing, search usi... | 10 months ago |
| core | chore: Changed default configuration values to match new ... | 3 months ago |
| devtools | Add devtool to generate and update cwd migration txt files | 3 years ago |
| docs | docs: Fixed errors and phrasing in web-ui configuration | 3 months ago |
| docsrc/forfc | Merge branch 'mkdocs' into delivery | 3 years ago |
| machinerics | Support Python 3.10 | last year |
| node | Support Python 3.10 | last year |
| processing | Add ids_flag and timestamp to Misp processing, search usi... | 10 months ago |
| web | Bump braces from 3.0.2 to 3.0.3 in /web/cuckoo/web/clientsrc | 6 months ago |
| .gignore | update for release | 3 years ago |
| CODE_OF_CONDUCT.md | Create CODE_OF_CONDUCT.md | 3 months ago |
| CONTRIBUTING.md | Create CONTRIBUTING.md | 3 months ago |
| LICENSE | update for release | 3 years ago |
| README.md | docs: Quickstart | 3 months ago |

install.sh

Readme

EUPL-1.2 license

Code of conduct

Activity

Custom properties

647 stars

26 watching

84 forks

Report repository

Releases

1 tags

Packages

No packages published

Contributors 8

Languages

4.4 Static Analysis

- Malware delivery: Email
 - Office documents
 - PDF
 - .EXE
 - Analyze:
 - Hash values
 - Strings
 - Resources
 - Imported functions
 - Exported functions
 - Certificate
 -
- Capabilities of the malware

4.4 Static Analysis - Strings

```
pestr -n 7 Form.exe | less
```

```
!This program cannot be run in DOS mode.  
<Ar5<zw1<Zv  
EThis program cannot be run in DOS mode.  
:Yf/yZjP  
[]sk/Jo  
X|e^BZ8  
Rh%';,V
```

```
peSCAN Form.exe
```

```
file entropy:                7.322160 (probably packed)  
fpu anti-disassembly:       no  
imagebase:                   normal  
entrypoint:                  normal  
DOS stub:                    normal  
TLS directory:               not found  
timestamp:                   normal  
section count:               1 (low)
```

```
peSEC Form.exe
```

```
ASLR:                         yes  
DEP/NX:                       yes  
SEH:                          yes  
Stack cookies (EXPERIMENTAL): yes
```

4.4 Static Analysis - PE - Portable Execution format

- Describe program files
- Contain:
 - Meta data
 - Instructions
 - Text data
 - Resources: Pictures and alike
- Tell Windows how to load a program
- Provide resources to running program
- Provide resources like code signature

- | |
|---|
| 1. DOS Header |
| 2. PE Header |
| 3. OPtional Header |
| 4. Section Headers |
| 5. .text Section (Program Code) |
| 6. .idata Section (Importd Libs) |
| 7. .rsrc Section (Strings, Images, ...) |
| 8. .reloc Section (Memory Translation) |

4.4 Static Analysis - PE - Basic Analysis

file Form.exe

Form.exe: PE32 executable (GUI) Intel 80386, for MS Windows

exiftool Form.exe

```
File Name           : Form.exe
File Size           : 186 KiB
.....
File Type           : Win32 EXE
File Type Extension : exe
MIME Type           : application/octet-stream
Machine Type        : Intel 386 or later, and compatibles
Time Stamp          : 2000:07:31 02:00:25+02:00
Image File Characteristics : Executable, 32-bit
PE Type             : PE32
Linker Version      : 11.0
Code Size           : 185856
Initialized Data Size : 0
Uninitialized Data Size : 0
Entry Point         : 0x12e0
OS Version          : 6.0
Image Version       : 0.0
Subsystem Version   : 6.0
Subsystem           : Windows GUI
Warning             : Error processing PE data dictionary
```

4.4 Static Analysis - PE - Basic Analysis

file Quotation.exe

Quotation.exe: PE32 executable (GUI) Intel 80386, for MS Windows

exiftool Quotation.exe

```
...
Machine Type           : Intel 386 or later, and compatibles
Time Stamp             : 2005:08:14 14:47:46+02:00
PE Type                : PE32
Linker Version         : 6.0
Code Size              : 647168
Initialized Data Size  : 32768
Uninitialized Data Size : 0
Entry Point            : 0x15f4
OS Version             : 4.0
Character Set          : Unicode
Comments               : Natcher
Company Name           : Glucosazone
Legal Copyright        : CRUSTER3
Legal Trademarks       : Forearming
Product Name           : UNKLE
File Version           : 1.02.0009
Product Version        : 1.02.0009
Internal Name          : Aurous
Original File Name     : Aurous.exe
```

4.4 Static Analysis - PE - Header

readpe -H Form.exe

```
DOS Header
  Magic number:          0x5a4d (MZ)
  Bytes in last page:   144
  Pages in file:        3
  .....

Optional/Image header
  Magic number:          0x10b (PE32)
  Linker major version: 11
  Linker minor version: 0
  Size of .text section: 0x2d600
  Size of .data section: 0
  Size of .bss section: 0
  Entrypoint:            0x12e0
  Address of .text section: 0x1000
  Address of .data section: 0x2f000
  ImageBase:             0x400000
  Alignment of sections: 0x1000
  Alignment factor:     0x200
  .....
  Size of image:         0x2f000
  Size of headers:       0x200
  Checksum:              0
  Subsystem required:   0x2 (IMAGE_SUBSYSTEM_WINDOWS_GUI)
  DLL characteristics:  0x8140
  .....
```

4.4 Static Analysis - PE - Imported Functions

```
readpe -i ../1.exe
```

```
Library
  Name: COMCTL32.dll
  Functions
    Name: ImageList_GetDragImage
    Name: ImageList_Merge
    Name: ImageList_SetOverlayImage
    Name: UninitializeFlatSB
    Name: ImageList_DragEnter

Library
  Name: OLEAUT32.dll
  Functions
    Function
      Ordinal: 294

Library
  Name: ADVAPI32.dll
  Functions
    Name: RegOpenKeyExA
    Name: MapGenericMask
    Name: AdjustTokenGroups
    Name: SetSecurityDescriptorDacl
    Name: GetSecurityDescriptorLength
    Name: StartServiceA
    Name: OpenServiceA

Library
  Name: MSVCRT.dll
  Functions
    Name: _mbssnpn
```


4.4 Static Analysis - PE - Resources

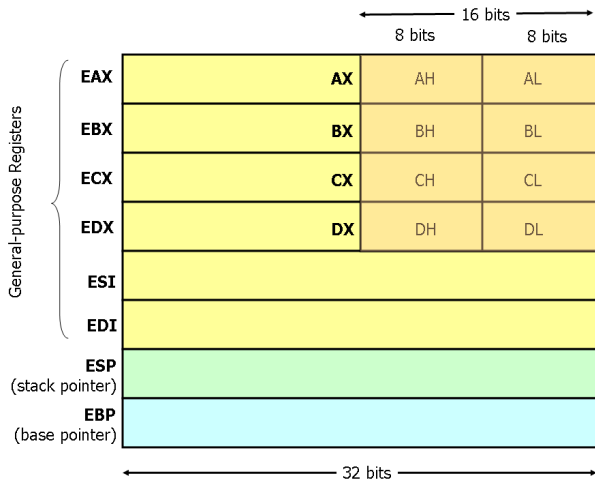
```
wrestool -l ../1.exe
```

```
—type=3 —name=23166 —language=2064 [type=icon offset=0x398cd8 size=455]
—type=3 —name=23167 —language=2064 [type=icon offset=0x398e78 size=648]
—type=3 —name=23168 —language=2064 [type=icon offset=0x398f78 size=642]
—type=3 —name=23169 —language=2064 [type=icon offset=0x399118 size=671]
—type=3 —name=23170 —language=2064 [type=icon offset=0x399358 size=1152]
—type=3 —name=23171 —language=2064 [type=icon offset=0x3995d8 size=1401]
—type=3 —name=23172 —language=2064 [type=icon offset=0x399a18 size=739]
—type=5 —name=34145 —language=2064 [type=dialog offset=0x398740 size=426]
—type=5 —name=34146 —language=2064 [type=dialog offset=0x3988f0 size=382]
—type=5 —name=34147 —language=2064 [type=dialog offset=0x398a70 size=562]
—type=9 —name=44061 —language=2064 [type=accelerator offset=0x3986e8 size=88]
—type=0 —name=5676 —language=2064 [offset=0x398ca8 size=11]
—type=0 —name=5677 —language=2064 [offset=0x398cb8 size=30]
—type=0 —name=5678 —language=2064 [offset=0x399c58 size=219344]
—type=0 —name=5679 —language=2064 [offset=0x3cf528 size=3852]
—type=14 —name=63607 —language=2064 [type=group_icon offset=0x398e60 size=20]
—type=14 —name=63608 —language=2064 [type=group_icon offset=0x398f60 size=20]
—type=14 —name=63609 —language=2064 [type=group_icon offset=0x399100 size=20]
—type=14 —name=63610 —language=2064 [type=group_icon offset=0x399340 size=20]
—type=14 —name=63611 —language=2064 [type=group_icon offset=0x3995c0 size=20]
—type=14 —name=63612 —language=2064 [type=group_icon offset=0x399a00 size=20]
—type=14 —name=63613 —language=2064 [type=group_icon offset=0x399c40 size=20]
```

4.4 Static Analysis - Considerations

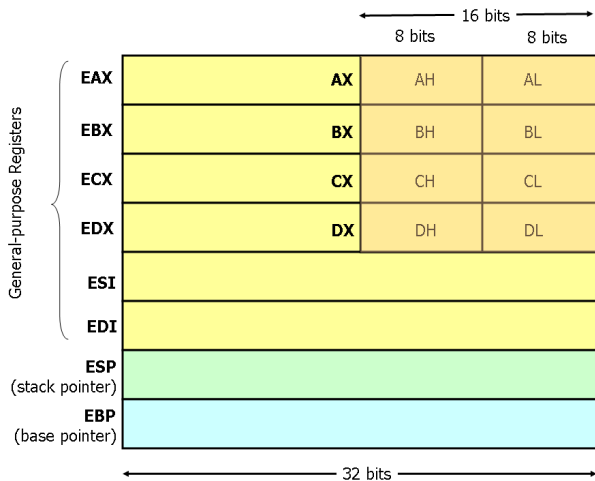
- Perfect disassembly → Unsolved problem
- Linear disassembly
 - Identify the program code
 - Decode the bytes
- Linear disassembly limitations
 - Don't know how instructions get decoded by CPU
 - Could not counter fight obfuscation
- Obfuscation techniques
 - Packing
 - Resource Obfuscation
 - Anti-Disassembly
 - Dynamic Data Download
- Counter fight obfuscation
 - Dynamic Analysis
 - Run malware in isolated environment

4.5 x86 Assembly: General-Purpose Registers



<https://www.cs.virginia.edu/~evans/cs216/guides/x86.html>

4.5 x86 Assembly: Stack and Control Flow Registers



<https://www.cs.virginia.edu/~evans/cs216/guides/x86.html>

4.5 x86 Assembly: Instructions

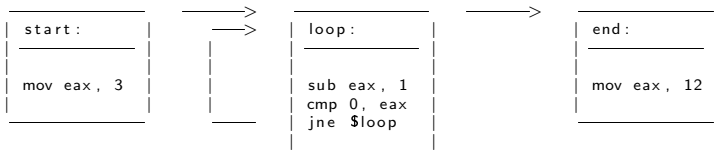
| | | |
|----------------|--|---|
| Arithmetic: | <code>add ebx, 100</code> <code>sub ecx, 123</code> <code>inc ah</code> <code>dec al</code> | Adds 100 to the value in EBX Subtract 123 from the value in ECX Increments value in AH by 1 Decrements value in AL by 1 |
| Data Movement: | <code>mov eax, ebx</code> <code>mov eax, [0x4711]</code> <code>mov eax, 1</code> <code>mov [0x4711], eax</code> | Move value in EBX into register EAX Move value at memory 0x4711 into EAX Move the value 1 into register EAX Move value of EAX into memory 0x4711 |
| Stack: | <code>push 1</code> <code>pop eax</code> | Increment ESP; Store 1 on top of stack Store highest value in EAX; Decrement ESP |
| Control Flow: | <code>call [address]</code> <code>ret</code> <code>jmp 0x1234</code> <code>cmp eax, 100</code> <code>jge 0x1234</code> | 1. Put EIP on top of the stack 2. Put [address] into EIP 1. Popped top of the stack into EIP 2. Resume execution Start executing program code at 0x1234 1. Compares value in EAX with 100 2. Based on result set EFLAGS register 1. Interpret EFLAGS register 2. If 'greater' or 'equal' flag then jump |

4.5 x86 Assembly: Control Flow Graphs

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>start:</code> | Symbol for address of next instruction |
| <code>mov eax, 3</code> | Initialize a counter of 3 into EAX |
| <code>loop:</code> | Symbol for address of next instruction |
| <code>sub eax, 1</code> | Subtract 1 from value in EAX |
| <code>cmp 0, eax</code> | Compare value in EAX with 0; Set EFLAGS |
| <code>jne \$loop</code> | IF EFLAGS 'not equal' jump to 'loop' |
| <code>end:</code> | Symbol for address of next instruction |
| <code>mov eax, 12</code> | |

4.5 x86 Assembly: Control Flow Graphs

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>start:</code> | Symbol for address of next instruction |
| <code>mov eax, 3</code> | Initialize a counter of 3 into EAX |
| <code>loop:</code> | Symbol for address of next instruction |
| <code>sub eax, 1</code> | Subtract 1 from value in EAX |
| <code>cmp 0, eax</code> | Compare value in EAX with 0; Set EFLAGS |
| <code>jne \$loop</code> | IF EFLAGS 'not equal' jump to 'loop' |
| <code>end:</code> | Symbol for address of next instruction |
| <code>mov eax, 12</code> | |





5. Analysing files

5.1 Analysing files

- Standard Linux commands

- `file`
 - `strings`
 - `exiftool`
 - `md5sum, sha1sum`
 - `7z`
 -

- Dedicated tools

- `oledump.py`
 - `pdfid.py, pdf-parser.py`
 - VirusTotal tools
 -

- Exercise: Run `exiftool` on carving recovered documents

5.2 Analysing files

- Online resources
 - NSRL - National Software Reference Library
 - VirusTotal
 - CIRCL: DMA
 - CIRCL: MISP Threat Sharing Platform
- Demo: Search MD5
 - A479C4E7ED87AEDAFAD7D9936DC80115
 - 81e9036aed5502446654c8e5a1770935
- Analysing files could become a training on it's own

5.2 Analysing files: Outlook PST

1. Preparation:

```
sudo mount -o ro,offset=$((512*63)) nps-2008-jean.raw /media/sansforensics/casenps/  
mkdir outlook  
mkdir outlook/out
```

2. Copy .pst file

```
cp /media/sansforensics/casenps/Documents\ and\ Settings/Jean/Local\ Settings/  
Application\ Data/Microsoft/Outlook/outlook.pst outlook/.
```

3. Extract Emails

```
file outlook/outlook.pst  
outlook/outlook.pst: Microsoft Outlook email folder (<=2002)
```

```
readpst outlook/outlook.pst -o outlook/out/
```

```
cd outlook/out/  
ls  
Inbox.mbox Outbox.mbox 'Sent Items.mbox'
```

5.2 Analysing files: Outlook PST

4. Analyze Emails

```
less Sent\ Items.mbox
```

```
    I've attached the information that you have requested to this email message.
```

```
    .....  
    .....
```

```
    -----Original Message-----
```

```
    From: alison@m57.biz [mailto:tuckgorge@gmail.com]
```

```
    Sent: Sunday, July 20, 2008 2:23 AM
```

```
    To: jean@m57.biz
```

```
    Subject: Please send me the information now
```

```
    .....
```

```
    Hi, Jean.
```

```
    I'm sorry to bother you, but I really need that information now -----
```

```
    .....
```

```
    -----boundary-LibPST-iamunique-1836211713_-_-
```

```
    filename="m57biz.xls"
```

```
less Inbox.mbox
```

```
    From "tuckgorge@gmail.com" Sun Jul 20 01:22:45 2008
```

```
    X-Original-To: jean@m57.biz
```

```
    To: jean@m57.biz
```

```
    From: tuckgorge@gmail.com (alison@m57.biz)
```



6. Live Response

6.1 Volatile Data

- Memory dump
- Live analysis:
 - System time
 - Logged-on users
 - Open files
 - Network -connections -status
 - Process information -memory
 - Process / port mapping
 - Clipboard content
 - Services
 - Command history
 - Mapped drives / shares
 - !!! Do not store information on the subject system !!!
- Image of live system (Possible issues)
- Shutdown and image if possible

6.1 Collecting Volatile Data

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals/>

- System Time

```
> date /t & time /t           # Don't forget to note wall-clock-time
Tue 03/26/2019              # Note timezone of PC
01:31 PM
```

- Loggedon Users

```
> net session
```

```
> .\PsLoggedon.exe
Users logged on locally:
    3/26/2019 1:30:23 PM      John-PC\John
No one is logged on via resource shares.
```

```
> .\logonsessions.exe
[5] Logon session 00000000:0001ad9d:
    User name:      John-PC\John
    Auth package:  NTLM
    Logon type:     Interactive
    Session:       1
    Sid:           S-1-5-21-3031575581-801213887-4188682232-1001
    Logon time:    3/26/2019 1:30:23 PM
    Logon server:  JOHN-PC
```

6.1 Collecting Volatile Data

- Open Files

```
> net file
> .\psfile.exe
```

- Network Connections and Status

```
> netstat -anob
  Proto Local Address           Foreign Address         State       PID      RpcSs
  TCP   0.0.0.0:135              0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   696     [svchost.exe]
  TCP   0.0.0.0:445              0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING    4
  TCP   0.0.0.0:554              0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING  2504    [wmpnetwk.exe]
  TCP   0.0.0.0:10243            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING    4
  TCP   0.0.0.0:49152            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   364     [wininit.exe]

> netstat -rn
  Network Destination      Netmask          Gateway          Interface      Metric
      0.0.0.0                0.0.0.0          10.0.2.2        10.0.2.15     10
      10.0.2.0                255.255.255.0   On-link        10.0.2.15     266
      10.0.2.15              255.255.255.255 On-link        10.0.2.15     266

> ipconfig /all
```


6.1 Collecting Volatile Data

- Running Processes

> tasklist

| Image Name | PID | Session Name | Session# | Mem Usage |
|--------------|------|--------------|----------|-----------|
| System | 4 | Services | 0 | 600 K |
| smss.exe | 252 | Services | 0 | 792 K |
| csrss.exe | 328 | Services | 0 | 3,224 K |
| wininit.exe | 364 | Services | 0 | 3,316 K |
| csrss.exe | 372 | Console | 1 | 4,196 K |
| winlogon.exe | 400 | Console | 1 | 6,272 K |
| services.exe | 460 | Services | 0 | 6,628 K |
| lsass.exe | 468 | Services | 0 | 8,428 K |
| lsmd.exe | 476 | Services | 0 | 3,040 K |
| svchost.exe | 584 | Services | 0 | 6,596 K |
| cmd.exe | 3100 | Console | 1 | 2,480 K |

> tasklist /svc

| Image Name | PID | Services |
|-------------|-----|---|
| svchost.exe | 584 | DcomLaunch, PlugPlay, Power |
| svchost.exe | 696 | RpcEptMapper, RpcSs |
| svchost.exe | 792 | Audiosrv, Dhcp, eventlog, HomeGroupProvider, lmhosts, wscsvc |
| svchost.exe | 844 | AudioEndpointBuilder, CscService, HomeGroupListener, Netman, TrkWks, UxSms, |
| svchost.exe | 876 | EventSystem, fdPHost, FontCache, netprofm, nsi, WdiServiceHost |

6.1 Collecting Volatile Data

- Running Processes

```
> .\pslist.exe -x
```

```
> .\pslist.exe -t
```

| Name | Pid | Pri | Thd | Hnd | VM | WS | Priv |
|-------------|------|-----|-----|-----|--------|-------|-------|
| explorer | 1252 | 8 | 26 | 912 | 212044 | 47672 | 36304 |
| VBoxTray | 360 | 8 | 12 | 153 | 61384 | 5624 | 1476 |
| cmd | 548 | 8 | 1 | 24 | 29256 | 2564 | 2628 |
| pslist | 3452 | 13 | 1 | 123 | 45908 | 3640 | 1652 |
| WzPreloader | 1244 | 8 | 6 | 119 | 109748 | 9064 | 11224 |
| cmd | 3100 | 8 | 1 | 20 | 27464 | 2480 | 1804 |

```
> .\Listdlls.exe
```

```
> .\handle.exe
```

- Processes/Port Mapping

```
> .\tcpvcon -n -c -a
```

```
TCP,svchost.exe,692,LISTENING,0.0.0.0,0.0.0.0  
TCP,System,4,LISTENING,10.0.2.15,0.0.0.0  
TCP,wmpnetwk.exe,2428,LISTENING,0.0.0.0,0.0.0.0  
TCP,wininit.exe,364,LISTENING,0.0.0.0,0.0.0.0  
TCP,svchost.exe,776,LISTENING,0.0.0.0,0.0.0.0  
TCP,svchost.exe,896,LISTENING,0.0.0.0,0.0.0.0  
TCP,services.exe,460,LISTENING,0.0.0.0,0.0.0.0
```

6.1 Collecting Volatile Data

- Command History

```
> doskey /history
netstat -anob
.\ Listdlls.exe
.\ handle.exe
.\ tcpvcon -n -c -a
cls
doskey /history
```

- Processes/Port Mapping

6.2 Non Volatile Data

- Clear Pagefile at shutdown

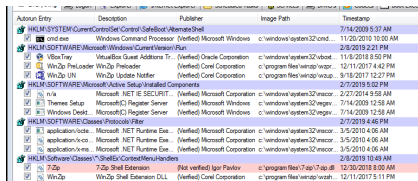
```
> reg QUERY "HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\Session Manager\Memory Management"  
.....  
ClearPageFileAtShutdown    REG_DWORD    0x0  
.....
```

- Update Last Access disabled

```
> reg QUERY "HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\FileSystem"  
.....  
NtfsDisableLastAccessUpdate    REG_DWORD    0x0  
.....
```

- Autostart locations

```
> .\Autoruns.exe
```



| Action | Entry | Description | Publisher | Image Path | Timestamp |
|--------|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| | HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\SafeBoot\AlternateShells | | | | 7/14/2009 5:37 AM |
| | cmd.exe | Windows Command Processor | Verified: Microsoft Windows | c:\windows\system32\cmd... | 11/20/2010 10:00 AM |
| | HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run | | | | 2/8/2019 2:21 PM |
| | VBoxTray | VirtualBox Guest Additions Tr... | Verified: Oracle Corporation | c:\windows\system32\vboxd... | 11/8/2018 8:50 PM |
| | WinZip PreLoader | WinZip Preloader | Verified: Corel Corporation | c:\program files\winzip\wzpr... | 12/11/2017 4:42 PM |
| | WinZip UI | WinZip Update Helper | Verified: Corel Corporation | c:\program files\winzip\wzup... | 9/18/2017 12:27 PM |
| | HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Active Setup\Installed Components | | | | 2/7/2019 5:02 PM |
| | n/a | Microsoft .NET IE SECURIT... | Verified: Microsoft Corporation | c:\windows\system32\wscor... | 2/27/2014 9:58 AM |
| | Themes Setup | Microsoft(C) Register Server | Verified: Microsoft Windows | c:\windows\system32\wscor... | 7/14/2009 12:58 AM |
| | Windows Desk... | Microsoft(C) Register Server | Verified: Microsoft Windows | c:\windows\system32\wscor... | 7/14/2009 12:58 AM |
| | HKLM\SOFTWARE\Classes\Protocols\Filer | | | | 2/7/2019 4:46 PM |
| | application\code... | Microsoft .NET Runtime Ee... | Verified: Microsoft Corporation | c:\windows\system32\wscor... | 3/5/2010 4:06 AM |
| | application\cs... | Microsoft .NET Runtime Ee... | Verified: Microsoft Corporation | c:\windows\system32\wscor... | 3/5/2010 4:06 AM |
| | application\res... | Microsoft .NET Runtime Ee... | Verified: Microsoft Corporation | c:\windows\system32\wscor... | 3/5/2010 4:06 AM |
| | HKLM\Software\Classes*\ShellEx\ContextMenuHandlers | | | | 2/8/2019 10:49 AM |
| | 7Zip | 7Zip Shell Extension | (Not verified) Igor Pavlov | c:\program files\7zip\7zip.dll | 12/30/2018 8:00 AM |
| | WinZip | WinZip Shell Extension DLL | Verified: Corel Corporation | c:\program files\winzip\wzsh... | 12/11/2017 5:11 PM |

6.3 Across the network

- Get Nmap command-line zipfile

`https://nmap.org/download.html`

- On Linux set up a netcat listener

```
nc -k -l 9999 >> logfile.txt
```

- Sending from subject system

```
ncat aaa.bbb.ccc.ddd 9999
```

```
echo "Date and Time" | ncat.exe aaa.bbb.ccc.ddd 9999
```

```
date /t | ncat.exe aaa.bbb.ccc.ddd 9999
```

```
time /t | ncat.exe aaa.bbb.ccc.ddd 9999
```

```
echo "_____ " | ncat.exe aaa.bbb.ccc.ddd 9999
```



7. Memory Forensics

7.1 About Memory Forensics

- History
 - 2005: String search
 - → EProcess structures
- Finding EProcess structures
 - Find the doubly linked list (ntoskrnl.exe)
 - Brute Force searching
- Information expected
 - Processes (hidden)
 - Services (listening)
 - Malware
 - Network connections
 - Registry content
 - Passwords
 - Cleartext data

7.2 Capturing memory

- Prepare USB device
 - File system: ExFAT; NTFS
 - Executable capturing tool
 - No installation - Little impact as possible
 - Write capture on device
 - Administrator privileges required
- Capture memory from running system
 - Dumplt.exe
 - DumpIt.exe part of Comae-Toolkit
 - <https://www.comae.com/>
 - <https://github.com/Crypt2Shell/Comae-Toolkit/>

```
cd Z:\comae\x86\  
DumpIt.exe /OUTPUT memory_20201215_1138.bin  
-- Press y to write the memory dump into the working directory
```


7.2 Capturing memory

Service Pack: Service Pack 3
User Name: IEUser
Password: Passw0rd!

Snapshot/backup:
Create a snapshot (or keep a backup of downloaded archive) before booting and working with this VM, so that you can reset quickly after the OS trial expires.

and are therefore time

et in order to activate

Command Prompt - .\DumpIt.exe /OUTPUT memoryXPvnc202206.bin

```
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\IEUser>:
E:\>cd memory\x86\
E:\memory\x86>.\DumpIt.exe /OUTPUT memoryXPvnc202206.bin

DumpIt 3.0.20201127.1 (X86) (Nov 27 2020)
Copyright (C) 2007 - 2020, Matt Suiche (msuiche)
Copyright (C) 2016 - 2020, Comae Technologies DMCC <https://www.comae.com>
All rights reserved.

DumpIt is the best for acquisition but... our platform Stardust is also the best for analysis!
Access it on https://my.comae.com - info@comae.com if you have any questions.

Destination path:          \??\E:\memory\x86\memoryXPvnc202206.bin
Computer name:             IE6WINXP

--> Proceed with the acquisition ? [y/n]
```

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7.2 Capturing memory

- Hibernation file: `hiberfil.sys`
 - Created when going into hibernation mode
 - Fully fledged memory content
 - Compressed and slightly modified
 - Can be converted into raw memory dump
 - Force hibernation:

```
powercfg /h[ibernate] [on|off]
psshutdown -h
```
- Pagefile: `pagefile.sys`
- Swapfile: `swapfile.sys` (Windows 8)
- Crash dump: `memory.dmp` (Blue Screen)

7.3 BulkExtractor Exercise

1. Preparation

```
sudo mount -o ro,offset=$((512*2048)) circl-dfir.dd /media/case1

mkdir memory
mkdir memory/out

cp /media/case1/memory/* memory
cd memory
```

2. BulkExtractor

```
bulk_extractor -o out/ DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw
```

3. Investigate results

```
ls -lh out/

less out/url_histogram.txt
less out/email_histogram.txt
less out/aes_keys.txt
```

7.4 Volatility Overview

Volatility 2 or Volatility 3

```
python vol.py -h | less
python vol.py -info | less
```

```
...
imagecopy          Copies a physical address space out as a raw DD image
imageinfo          Identify information for the image
...
pslist             Print all running processes by following the EPROCESS lists
psscan             Scan Physical memory for _EPROCESS pool allocations
pstree             Print process list as a tree
psxview            Find hidden processes with various process listings
...
sockets            Print list of open sockets
sockscan           Scan Physical memory for _ADDRESS.OBJECT objects (tcp sockets)
...
```

```
vol.py -f <filename> <plugin [options]> --profile=<profile>
vol.py -f memdump.raw imageinfo
```

```
sudo apt install python3-pefile
git clone https://github.com/volatilityfoundation/volatility3.git
```

7.4 Volatility Overview: Exercise

Identify profile:

```
vol.py -f DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw imageinfo
```

```
Suggested Profile(s) : Win7SP1x86_23418, Win7SP0x86, Win7SP1x86_24000, Win7SP1x86
AS Layer1 : IA32PagedMemory (Kernel AS)
AS Layer2 : FileAddressSpace (memory/DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw)
PAE type : No PAE
DTB : 0x185000L
KDBG : 0x82954c70L
Number of Processors : 1
Image Type (Service Pack) : 1
KPCR for CPU 0 : 0x82955d00L
KUSER_SHARED_DATA : 0xffdf0000L
Image date and time : 2018-03-15 16:02:54 UTC+0000
Image local date and time : 2018-03-15 17:02:54 +0100
```

```
→ vol.py -f <filename> <plugin [options]> --profile=Win7SP1x86_23418
```

```
export VOLATILITY_PROFILE=Win7SP1x86_23418
```

```
→ vol.py -f <filename> <plugin [options]>
```

7.5 Volatility: Process Analysis

`pslist`

- Running processes
- Process IP - PID
- Parent PIP - PPID
- Start time

`pstree`

- Like `pslist`
- Visual child-parent relation

`psscan`

- Brute Force
- Find inactive and/or hidden processes

`psxview`

- Run and compare some tests
- Correlate `psscan` and `pslist`

7.5 Volatility: Process Analysis

```
volatility — profile=Win7SP1x86 -f Win-Enc-20190415.raw pslist > pslist.txt
```

| Offset (V) | Name | PID | PPID | Thds | Hnds | Ses | Wow64 | Start | |
|------------|--------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-------|---------------------|----------|
| 0x84233af0 | System | 4 | 0 | 70 | 505 | — | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:52 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x848d8288 | smss.exe | 248 | 4 | 2 | 29 | — | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:52 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x8487a700 | csrss.exe | 324 | 308 | 9 | 384 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:54 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x84fbb530 | csrss.exe | 360 | 352 | 7 | 274 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:54 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x84fc3530 | wininit.exe | 368 | 308 | 3 | 77 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:54 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x84fd0530 | winlogon.exe | 396 | 352 | 4 | 112 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:54 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x85048a18 | services.exe | 456 | 368 | 8 | 203 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:55 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x8505ac00 | lsass.exe | 464 | 368 | 7 | 580 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:55 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x8505caa0 | lsmd.exe | 472 | 368 | 10 | 145 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:02:55 | UTC+0000 |
| ... | | | | | | | | | |
| ... | | | | | | | | | |
| ... | | | | | | | | | |
| 0x85050b60 | WmiPrvSE.exe | 3268 | 564 | 9 | 175 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:06:52 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x8438bd40 | owxxb-a.exe | 3432 | 3368 | 15 | 471 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:07:13 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x84394030 | VSSVC.exe | 3676 | 456 | 6 | 123 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:07:22 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x84394488 | svchost.exe | 3728 | 456 | 6 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:07:23 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x84a243c8 | notepad.exe | 3820 | 3432 | 1 | 64 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:08:05 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x846d8030 | iexplore.exe | 3832 | 3432 | 19 | 427 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:08:06 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x846d2d40 | iexplore.exe | 3908 | 3832 | 11 | 293 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:08:07 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x846e5a58 | dllhost.exe | 3928 | 564 | 6 | 94 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:08:07 | UTC+0000 |
| 0x84684d40 | dllhost.exe | 4012 | 564 | 10 | 212 | 1 | 0 | 2019-04-15 15:08:08 | UTC+0000 |

7.5 Volatility: Process Analysis

```
volatility —profile=Win7SP1x86 -f Win-Enc-20190415.raw psxview > psxview
```

| Offset (P) | Name | PID | pslist | psscan | thrdproc | pspcid | csrss | session | deskthrd |
|------------|----------------|------|--------|--------|----------|--------|-------|---------|----------|
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 0x3f60f030 | taskhost.exe | 352 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3fa84d40 | dllhost.exe | 4012 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ec23148 | spoolsv.exe | 1296 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3f63f470 | explorer.exe | 920 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ff0bd40 | owxb-a.exe | 3432 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3f3d0530 | winlogon.exe | 396 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3f3c3530 | wininit.exe | 368 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ec9f030 | svchost.exe | 688 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ef3d758 | VBoxTray.exe | 1832 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3fae5a58 | dllhost.exe | 3928 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ec50b60 | WmiPrivSE.exe | 3268 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ec88b90 | svchost.exe | 564 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ecd3768 | svchost.exe | 820 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ef4f030 | SearchIndexer. | 2008 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ec08d40 | svchost.exe | 1444 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ed10d40 | svchost.exe | 1008 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3f6243c8 | notepad.exe | 3820 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3ecd95f8 | svchost.exe | 852 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| 0x3fad2d40 | ieexplore.exe | 3908 | True | True | True | True | True | True | True |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |

7.6 Volatility: Network Analysis

- Windows XP and 2003 Server
 - connections
 - conncan
 - sockets
- Windows 7
 - netscan

```
volatility --profile=Win7SP1x86 -f Win-Enc-20190415.raw netscan > netscan.txt
```

| Proto | Local Address | Foreign Address | State | Pid | Owner |
|-------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|------|----------------|
| | | | | | |
| UDPv4 | 0.0.0.0:0 | ::: | | 2748 | powershell.exe |
| UDPv6 | :::0 | ::: | | 2748 | powershell.exe |
| TCPv4 | 0.0.0.0:49155 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 456 | services.exe |
| TCPv4 | 0.0.0.0:49156 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 464 | lsass.exe |
| TCPv6 | :::49156 | :::0 | LISTENING | 464 | lsass.exe |
| TCPv4 | 10.0.2.15:49167 | 2.17.201.11:80 | ESTABLISHED | 1128 | svchost.exe |
| TCPv4 | 10.0.2.15:49166 | 93.184.220.29:80 | ESTABLISHED | 1128 | svchost.exe |
| TCPv4 | 10.0.2.15:49165 | 50.62.124.1:80 | ESTABLISHED | 3432 | owxxb-a.exe |
| TCPv4 | 10.0.2.15:49160 | 216.239.32.21:80 | ESTABLISHED | 3432 | owxxb-a.exe |
| TCPv4 | 10.0.2.15:49162 | 2.17.201.8:80 | ESTABLISHED | 3432 | owxxb-a.exe |
| TCPv4 | 10.0.2.15:49168 | 13.107.21.200:80 | ESTABLISHED | 3832 | iexplore.exe |
| TCPv4 | 10.0.2.15:49159 | 94.23.7.52:80 | CLOSE_WAIT | 2748 | powershell.exe |
| | | | | | |

7.7 Volatility: Other plugins

- Other useful plugins

```
volatility -f memdump.raw sessions
volatility -f memdump.raw privs
volatility -f memdump.raw hivelist
volatility -f memdump.raw filescan
volatility -f memdump.raw timeline
volatility -f memdump.raw hashdump
```

- Get SIDs

```
volatility --profile=Win7SP1x86 -f Win-Enc-20190415.raw getsids
```

```
powershell.exe (2748): S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000 (John)
owxxb-a.exe (3432): S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000 (John)
notepad.exe (3820): S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000 (John)
iexplore.exe (3832): S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000 (John)
iexplore.exe (3908): S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000 (John)
dllhost.exe (3928): S-1-5-21-3408732720-2018246097-660081352-1000 (John)
```

7.7 Volatility: Other plugins

- Command line history

```
vol.py --profile=Win7SP1x86 -f memdump.raw cmdline
vol.py --profile=Win7SP1x86 -f memdump.raw cmdscan
vol.py --profile=Win7SP1x86 -f memdump.raw consoles
```

- Find suspicious processes

```
volatility --profile=Win7SP1x86 -f Win-Enc-20190415.raw malfind
```

```
Process: owxxb-a.exe Pid: 3432 Address: 0x400000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Flags: CommitCharge: 134, MemCommit: 1, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6
```

```
0x00400000  4d 5a 90 00 03 00 00 00 04 00 00 00 ff ff 00 00  MZ.....
0x00400010  b8 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 40 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  .....@.....
0x00400020  00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  .....
0x00400030  00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 08 01 00 00  .....
```

```
0x00400000  4d                DEC EBP
0x00400001  5a                POP EDX
0x00400002  90                NOP
```

7.8 Volatility Exercise

```
python volatility3/vol.py -q --help | less
mkdir out2
```

```
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.pslist >out2/pslist
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.pstree >out2/pstree
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.psscans >out2/psscans
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.psxview >out2/psxview
```

```
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.netscan.NetScan >out2/netscan
```

```
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.dumpfiles.DumpFiles >out2/dumpfiles
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.filescan.FileScan >out2/filescan
```

```
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw timeliner > out2/timeliner
```

```
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.registry.hivelist.HiveList >out2/hivelist
```

```
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.consoles.Consoles >out2/consoles
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.cmdline.CmdLine >out2/cmdline
python volatility3/vol.py -q -f ./DEMO-PC-20180315-160249.raw windows.cmdline.CmdScan >out2/cmdscan
```



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