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Manipulating Memory for Fun & Profit

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- ✓ Slides & talk in English.
- ✓ Native French speaker, so feel free to send me an email in French if case of question.
- ✓ Talk focused on Memory Manipulation, from both offensive and defensives angles.
- ✓ 1 round of 45'.
- ✓ Vast topic, lots of issues to address, and lots of slides so that the most technical of you can come back later to remember commands.
- ✓ Therefore some slides [specially the beginning] will be fast, but everything is summarized in demos.
- ✓ No need to take notes, the whole slides and demos will be published on High-Tech Bridge website.

- ✓ Despite its name, this talk will not deal with Total Recall or any other human memory manipulation based movie.

- ✓ Nor will it deal with classical binary exploitation, such as Stack based Buffer Overflows or Heap Spraying. I strongly advice to read corelanc0d3rs' papers on corelan.be to learn more regarding Exploit Writing.

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- ✓ RAM (Random Access Memory) is a **temporary memory accessible by the CPU** in order to **hold all of the program code and data** that is processed by the computer.
- ✓ It is called “random” because the system can directly access any of the memory cells anywhere on the RAM chip if it knows its row (i.e. “address”) and its column (i.e. “data bit”).
- ✓ It is **much faster** to access data in RAM **than on the hard drive**.
- ✓ **CPU and OS determine** how much and **how** the available **memory will be used**.

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- ✓ In other words, **most users do not have any control on memory**, which makes RAM a target of choice.
- ✓ First systems were arbitrary limited to 640Kb RAM. Bill Gates once declared that “640K ought to be enough for anybody”.
- ✓ At this time it was far enough… But today the OS itself can consume 1 Gb. **We therefore use much more memory**.
- ✓ On a **32 bits Windows** system, OS can directly address 2^32 cells, and is therefore mathematically **limited to 4 Gb memory**.

- ✓ Contrary to popular assumption, **RAM can retain its content up to several minutes** after a shutdown.
- ✓ Basically **RAM is everywhere** nowadays. Printers, fax, VoIP phones, GPS and smartphones are good examples.
- ✓ **This provide some opportunities to security professionals** [and also to bad guys]. Some points of this talk can be applied to various targets and may not be limited to Windows systems, even if since now we will deal with a classical Microsoft host.

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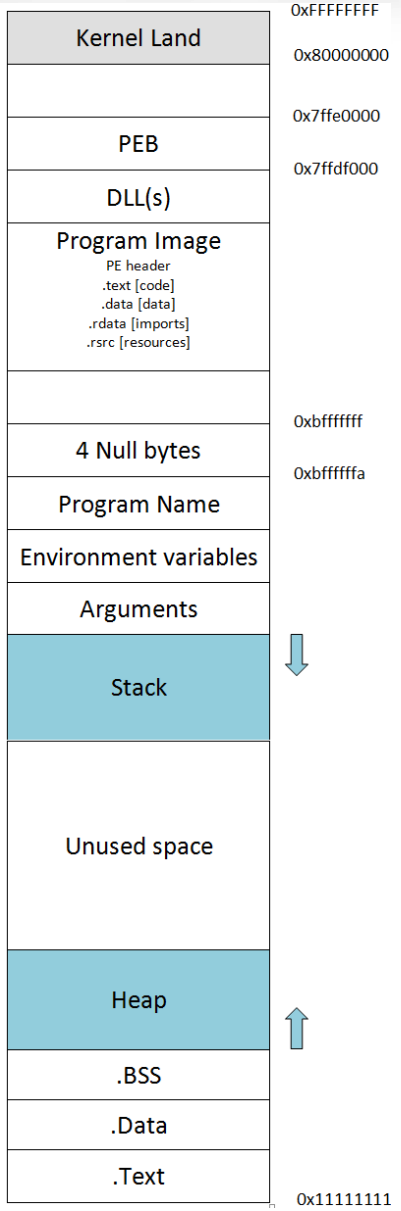
- ✓ **Upon process instantiation, the code is mapped in memory** so that the CPU can read its instructions, and **each process has his own virtual memory**.
- ✓ OS relies on page table structures to map transparently each virtual memory address to physical memory.
- ✓ But most importantly, **any program [including both its data and its instructions] must first be loaded into memory before being run by the processor**.



- ✓ For example, **FUD Trojans which highly rely on Packers & Crypters can be quickly uncovered through memory analysis**.

- ✓ The **same principle applies** to OFTE. Memory Analysis can save your investigator's life, should you be facing a drive with **On The Fly Encryption** capabilities. To be efficient, transparent and usable, **the [encrypted] key should be somewhere in memory**.

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- ✓ A colleague just used your laptop to access a restricted page, and you regret you **didn't have time to run your favourite keylogger**? :-]

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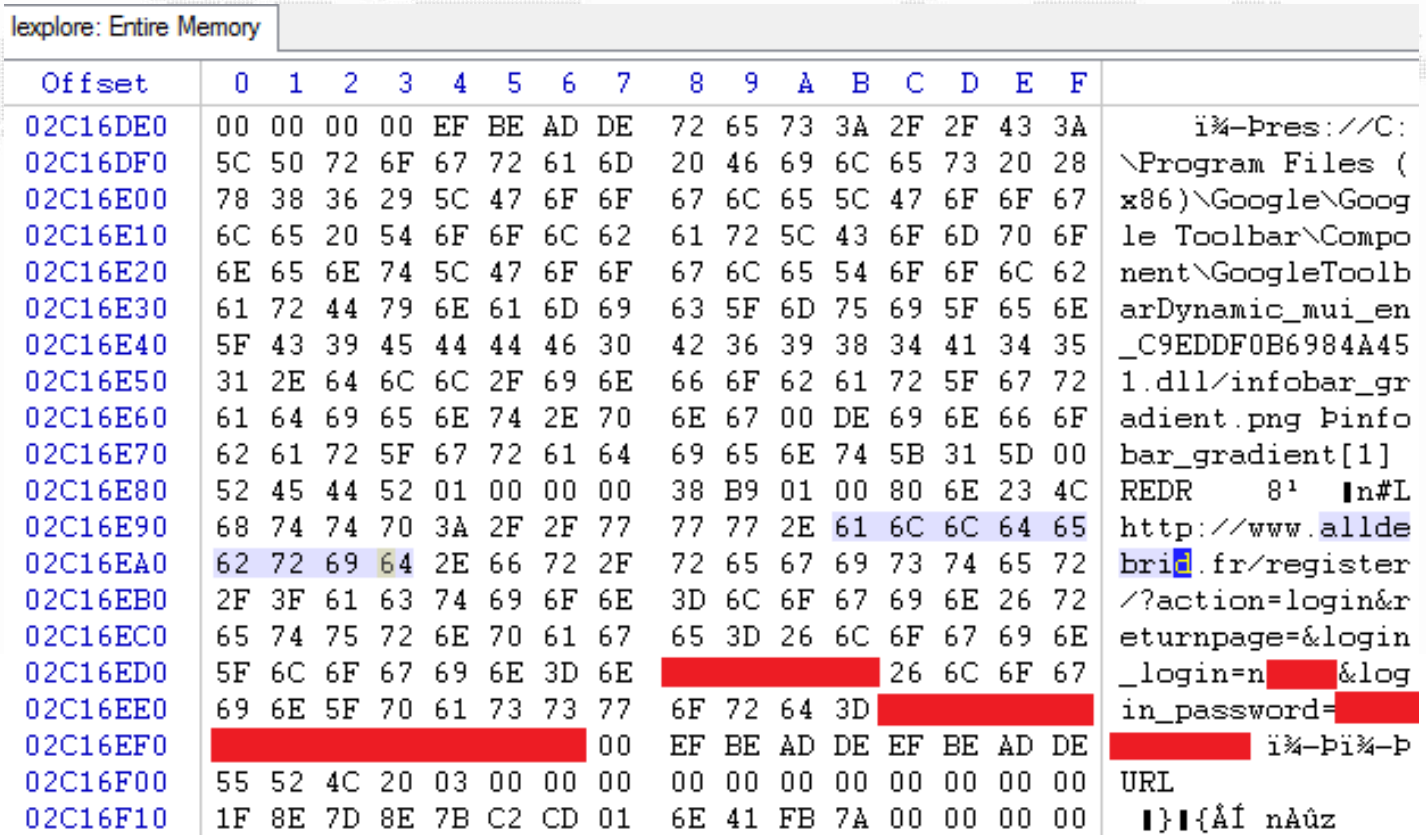
- ✓ No a problem, you may be able to **browse the Internet browser's memory** to grab his credentials.



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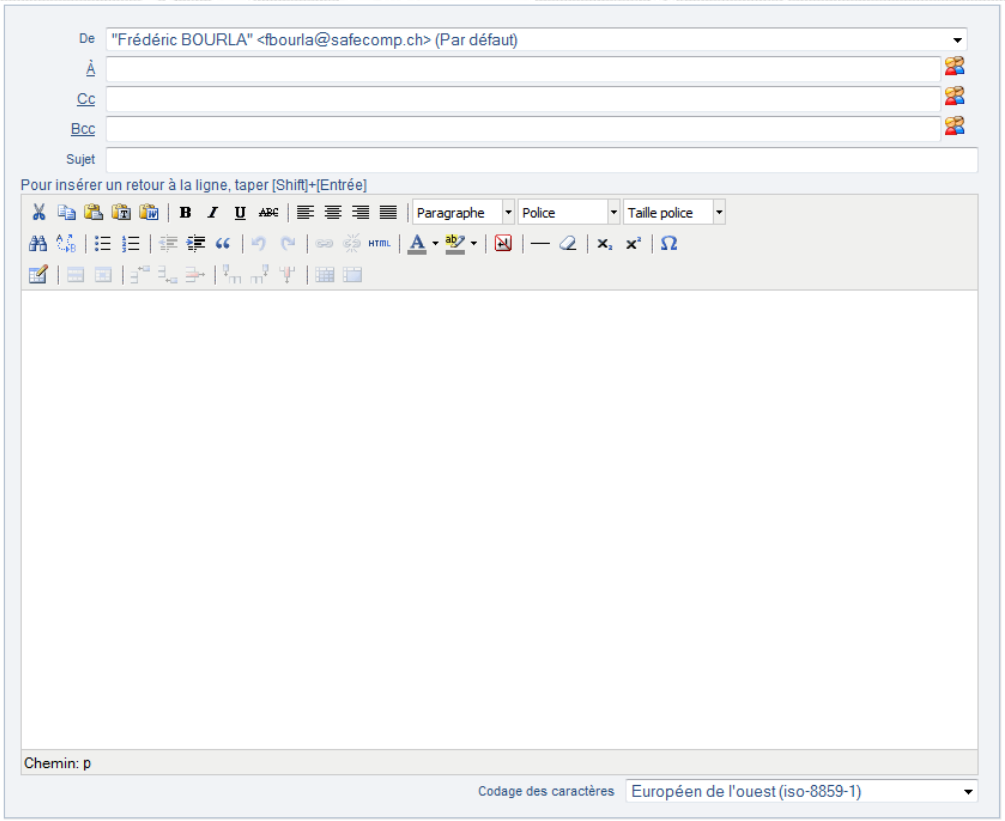
- ✓ Besides this joke, have you ever wished you had saved your new email before a **touchpad problem occurs** and make **you loose 30 minutes**?



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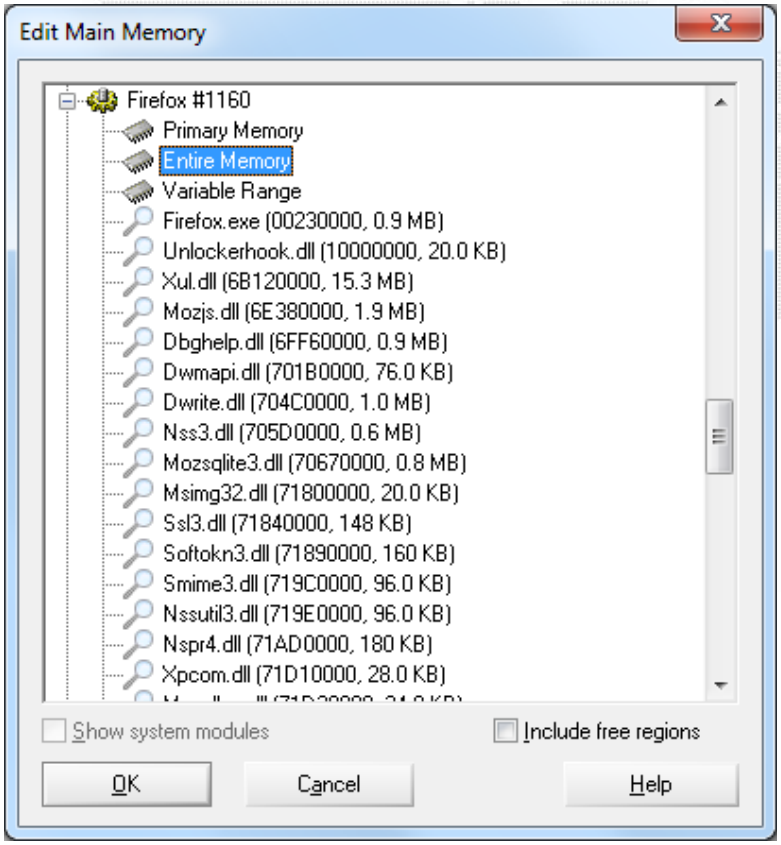
- ✓ But you may **not** be **obliged to restart writing everything** from scratch **if you browse the process memory shortly**.



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Stars revelation

- ✓ **In a pivoting attack**, it can be very useful to **reveal what's behind the stars**... Don't forget, Windows remembers lots of passwords in behalf of users.
- ✓ Lots of tools do exist, such as **Snadboy's Revelation**. Unfortunately, most of them do not work against recent OS.
- ✓ **BulletsPassView** is one of the remaining tools which still works under Windows 7. There is even a 64 bits version.
- ✓ Anyway, it also does not work under Windows 8.

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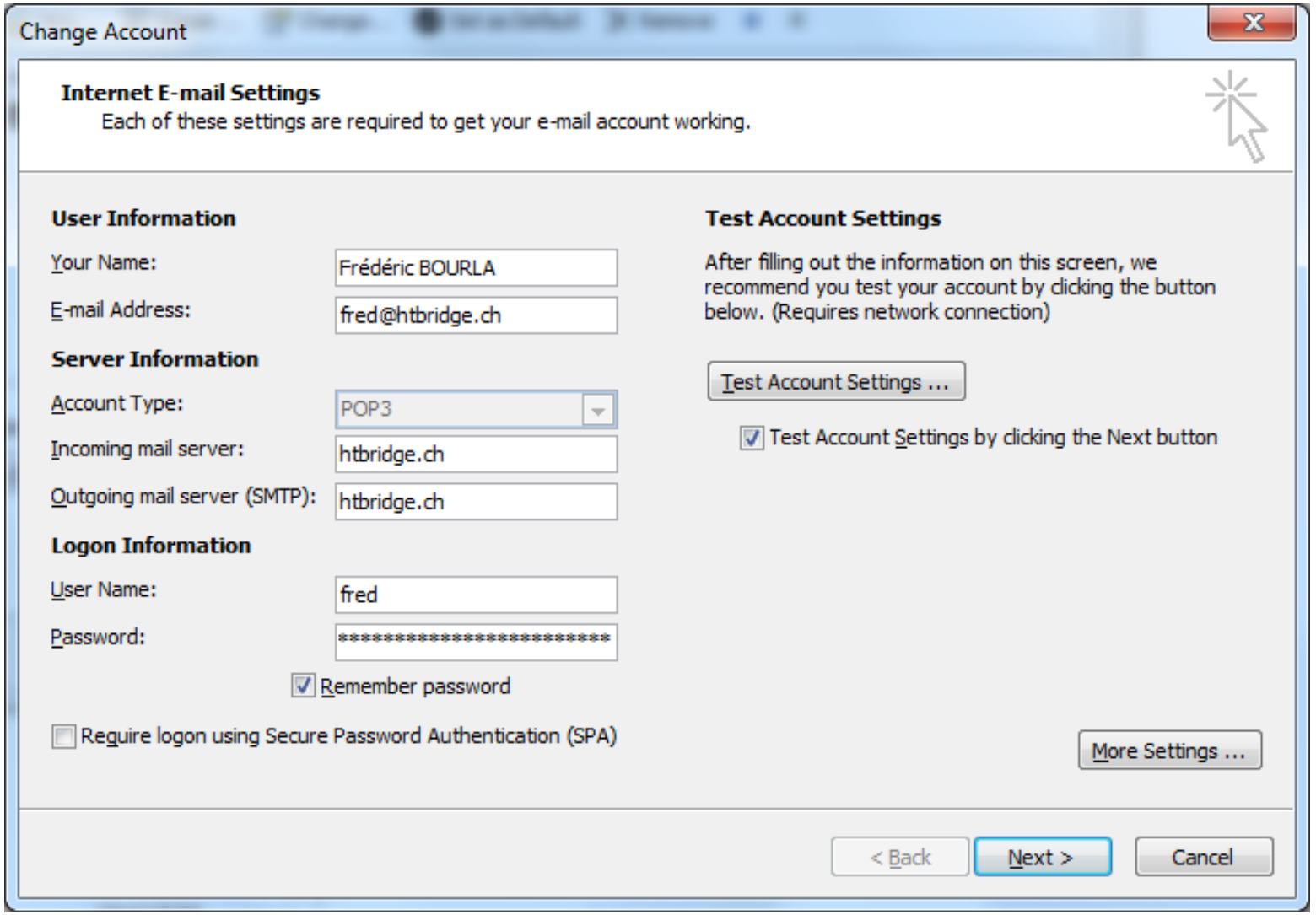
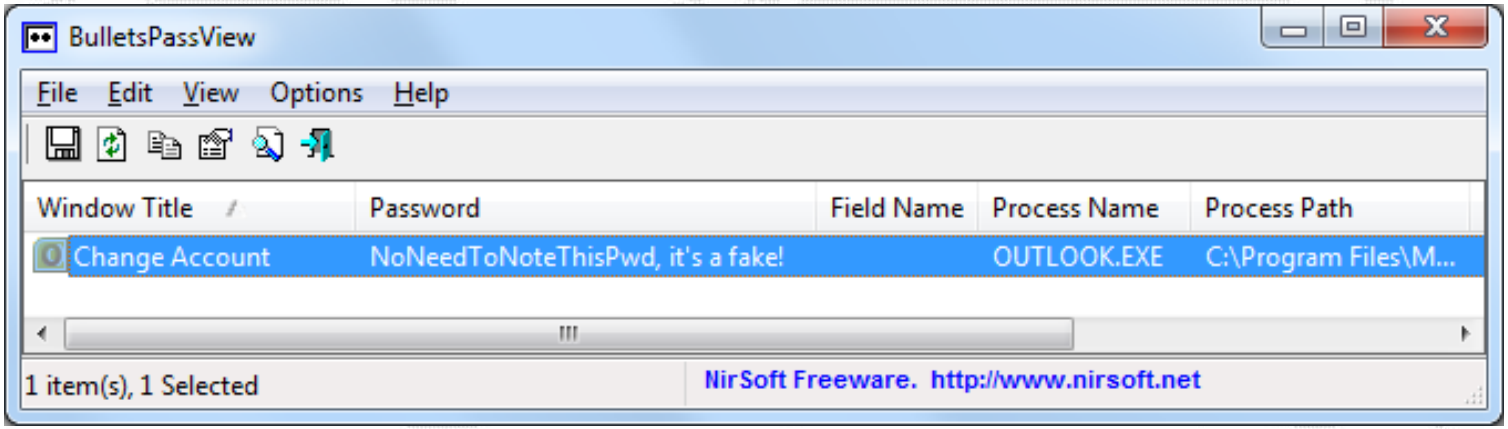


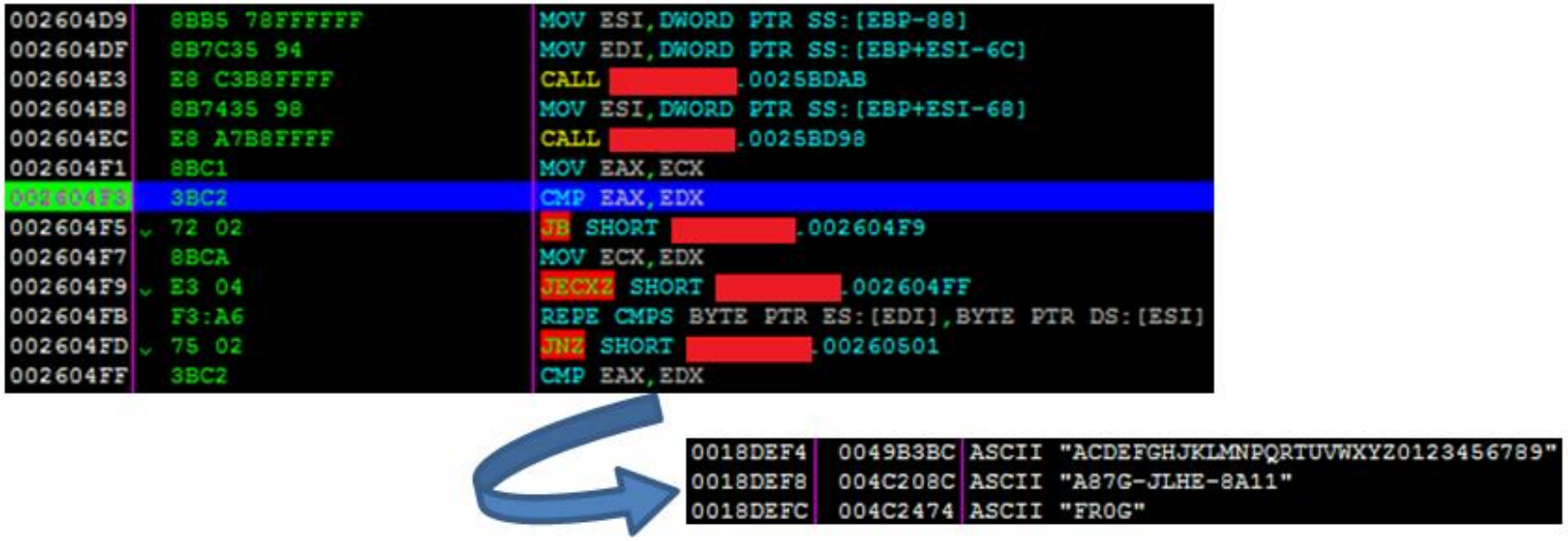
Stars revelation

- ✓ **Pillaging passwords** often provide the **keys of the kingdom**.



Memory Patching

- ✓ Memory Patching is **the first stone to build a Crack** or create a Keygen in the Warez world.
- ✓ It basically consists of **locating and bypassing binary protections in memory** in order to finally implement the trick in the targeted file.



Memory Fuzzing

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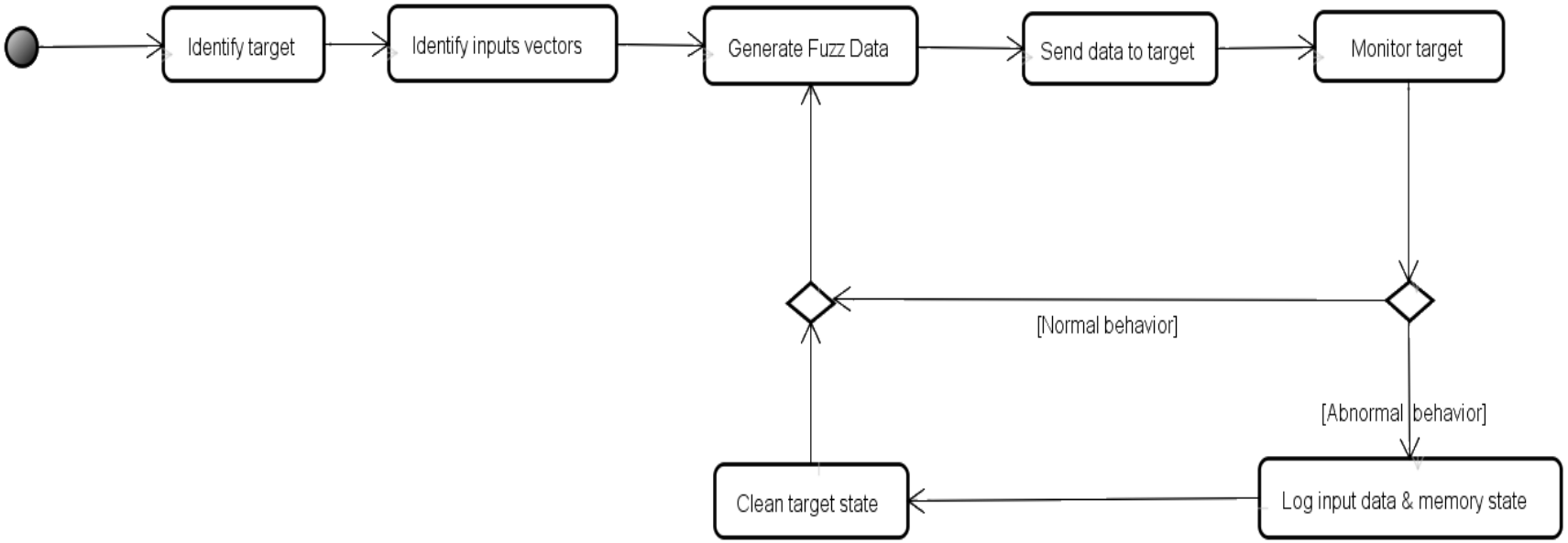
- ✓ Fuzz Testing, aka Fuzzing, **consists in providing** invalid, unexpected, or **random data to** the inputs of **a monitored program to detect security issues** [among others].
- ✓ General approach to Fuzzers:



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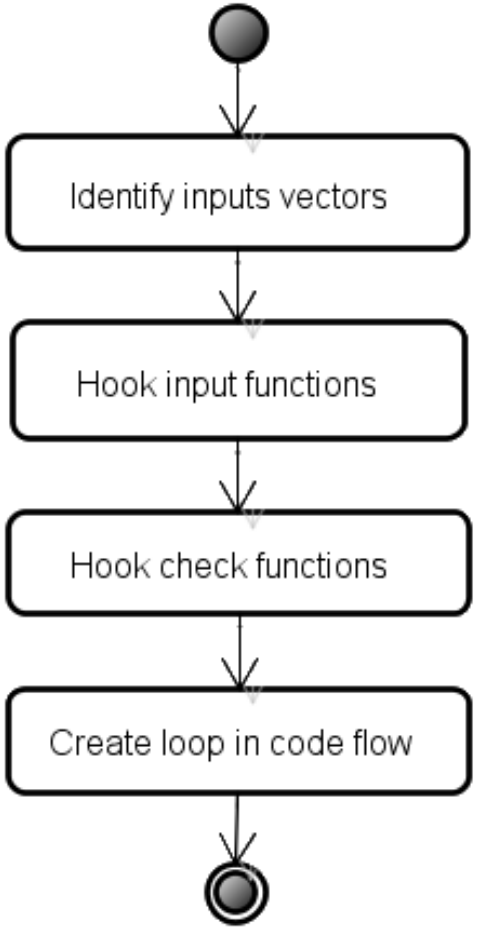
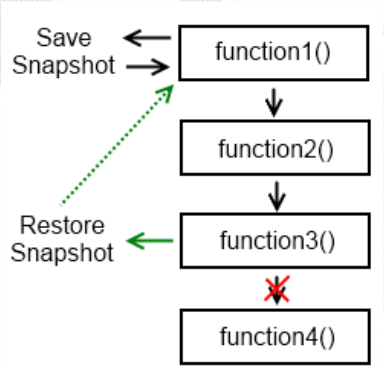
- ✓ Memory-oriented Fuzzing:



Memory Fuzzing

- ✓ Here is an example from **dbgHelp4j**, a **memory fuzzing project under development** at High-Tech Bridge:



- ✓ To learn more, read Xavier ROUSSEL's paper.

- ✓ This **short demonstration** shows how dbgHelp4j permits to **identify rapidly an old buffer overflow in the CWD Command of Easy FTP Server** v1.7.0.11.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DLL Injection

- ✓ Another well-known memory abuse consists in **injecting arbitrary code into the memory space of another process**, for example through a CreateRemoteThread like function.
- ✓ Such an injection permits the attacker **to benefit from the rights of the target process**, and often to bypass firewalls.
- ✓ This also enable its author **to hide** himself **from** most **users**, **as threads are not displayed in Windows** Task Manager.

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- ✓ Native **task manager does not display current threads** within a process.

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cmd.exe	Victime	00	2'548 Ko
csrss.exe	SYSTEM	00	3'260 Ko
explorer.exe	Victime	02	16'644 Ko
iexplore.exe	Victime	00	15'880 Ko
lsass.exe	SYSTEM	00	1'084 Ko
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services.exe	SYSTEM	00	4'200 Ko
smss.exe	SYSTEM	00	388 Ko
spoolsv.exe	SYSTEM	00	4'364 Ko
svchost.exe	SYSTEM	00	7'824 Ko
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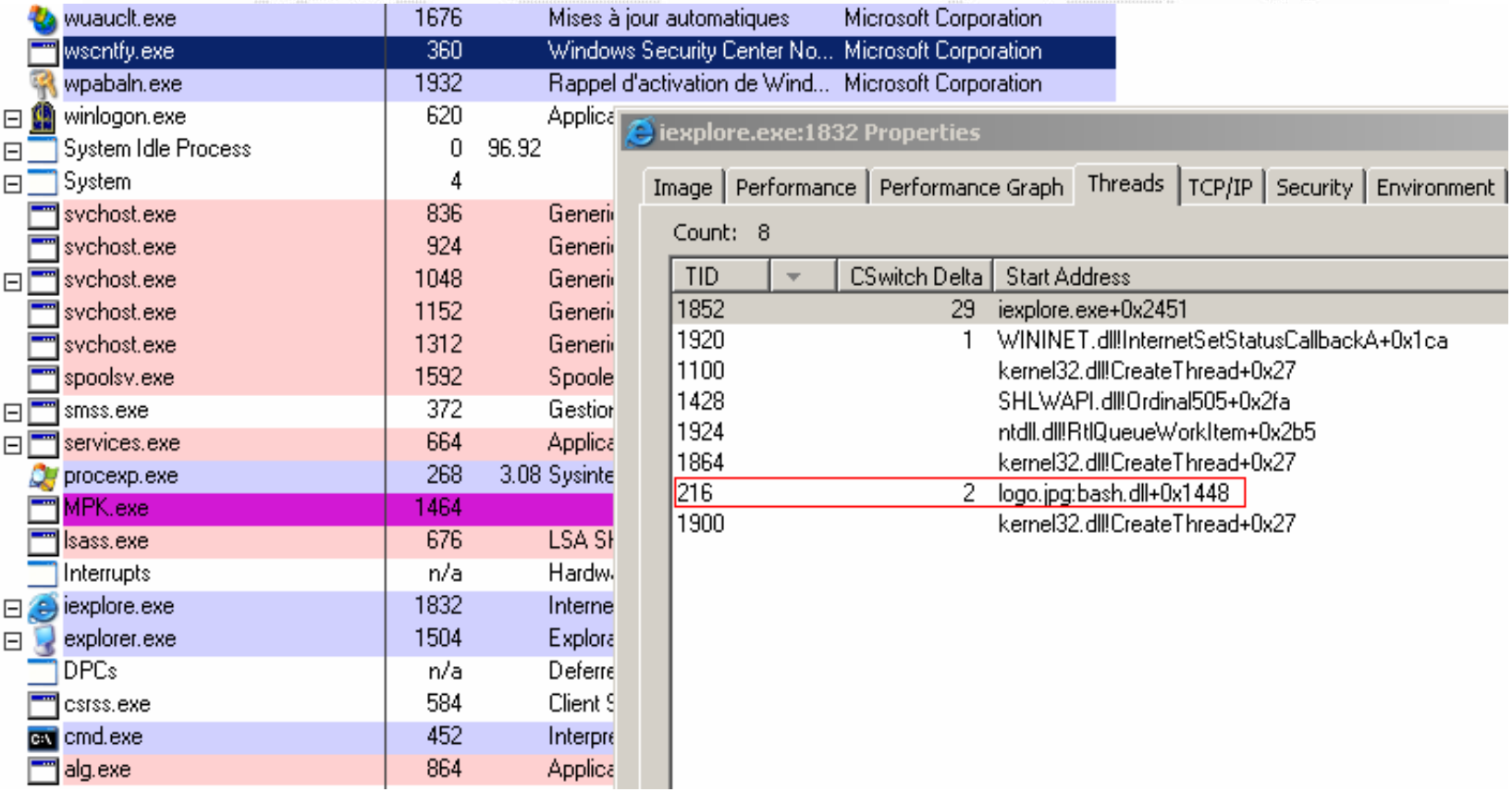
- ✓ Here **a DLL based Reverse Trojan is injected into IE** memory space.



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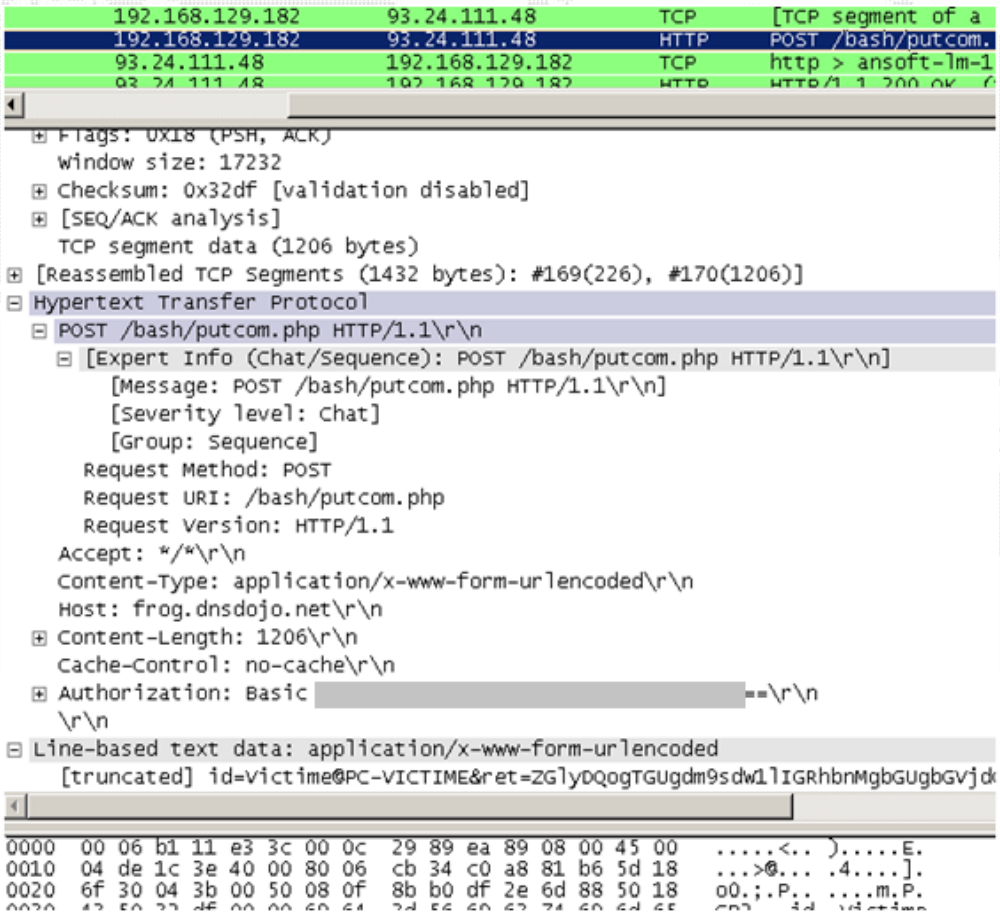
- ✓ **Trojan reaches its C&C Server via HTTP through Internet Explorer** [whose behaviour sounds right].



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- ✓ From a Pivoting Attack point of view, **DLL Injection** is **widely used during Privilege Escalation**.
- ✓ There are a lot of tools, **such as** CacheDump, PWDump6, LSADump2 or **PWDumpX.**
- ✓ Most tools actually **inject** their nasty **code into** the Local Security Authority Subsystem (**LSASS**) to reach hashes.
- ✓ The latter is amazingly efficient and permits a user with administrative privileges **to retrieve [either locally or remotely]** the domain password cache, password **hashes and LSA secrets** from a Windows system.

Process Memory Dump

- ✓ **Some processes write sensitive data in memory in clear text** format, or without relying on heavy encryption.
- ✓ Specific **process memory dumps may allow** an attacker **to grab interesting data**.
- ✓ Lots of tools do exist. One of the best ones is probably **ProcDump**, from Mark Russinovich.
- ✓ It's a powerful command-line utility which primary purpose is to monitor applications for CPU spikes in order to generate a crash dump with the purpose of helping the developer to debug.

Process Memory Dump

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- ✓ It has plenty of amazing features. Anyway, here our goal is simply to dump the memory contents of a process to a file [without stopping the process of course].
- ✓ So lots of tools can also do the job, such as **PMDump** from NTSecurity.
- ✓ Sometimes **we can find very sensitive information, such as usernames, computer names, IP addresses, and even passwords**.
- ✓ This is for example the case if you dump the memory of **PwSafe**. **Not all fields are encrypted in memory**.

Process Memory Dump

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- ✓ For sure, **password fields are not stored in memory** in plaintext, **but** unfortunately other fields are. And **sysadmin's notes are often very juicy**...
- ✓ There is hope to collect credentials, map network resources, identify services, ports, sudoers account, and so on.
- ✓ **Even if the auditor is unlucky** and does not grab passwords, **he can still create a user list file** for further dictionary attacks.

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- ✓ Process Memory Dump files are **quite light**.
- ✓ **During a Pivoting Attack** in an Internal Penetration Test, **it may worth a try to launch a memory dump against sensitive processes**.

```
C:\Intel\Logs>pslist | findstr -i "pw"

pslist v1.3 - Sysinternals PsList
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pwsafe              4360   8    2  171    4180     0:00:01.953     0:49:08.970

C:\Intel\Logs>procdump.exe -ma 4360

ProcDump v5.11 - Writes process dump files
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With contributions from Andrew Richards

Writing dump file C:\Intel\Logs\pwsafe_130119_100522.dmp ...
Writing 79MB. Estimated time (less than) 2 seconds.
Dump written.
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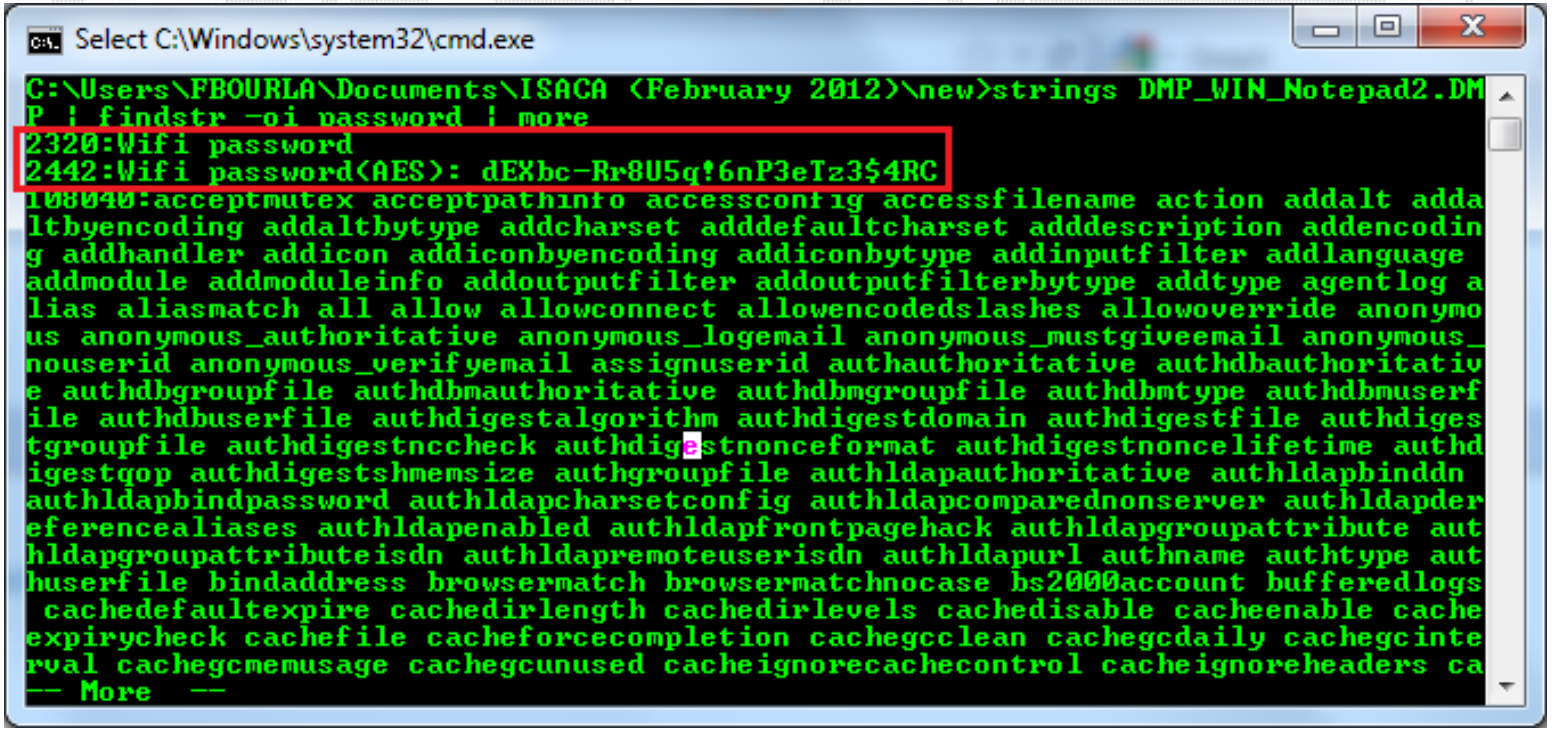
- ✓ **Something as easy as** parsing the process memdump for **strings may reveal interesting stuff** to a pentester.



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- ✓ Here the Password Safe application permits an attacker to fingerprint the network, and to collect usernames, IP addresses and ports.
- ✓ Very useful to carry out further attacks.

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Local Administrator Account
Local Admin Account [root]
LOCALADMIN's password:[>>>]
DomainByProxy [4[redacted]]
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23091   VM : Windows 2003 Enterprise, 50 Gb HDD, 1 Gb RAM[>>>]
23092   VM : Windows 2003 Enterprise, 12 Gb HDD, 2 Gb RAM[>>>]
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23094   mstsc /v:192.[redacted]:[redacted] /f
23095   IO - ZyXEL NSA210 (Syslog SAN)
23096   mstsc /v:[redacted] /f
23097   06/09/2010 15:42:08
23098   04/11/2010 14:15:25
23099   BIOS Admin User []
23100   06/09/2010 15:08:03
23101   Switch [[redacted]]
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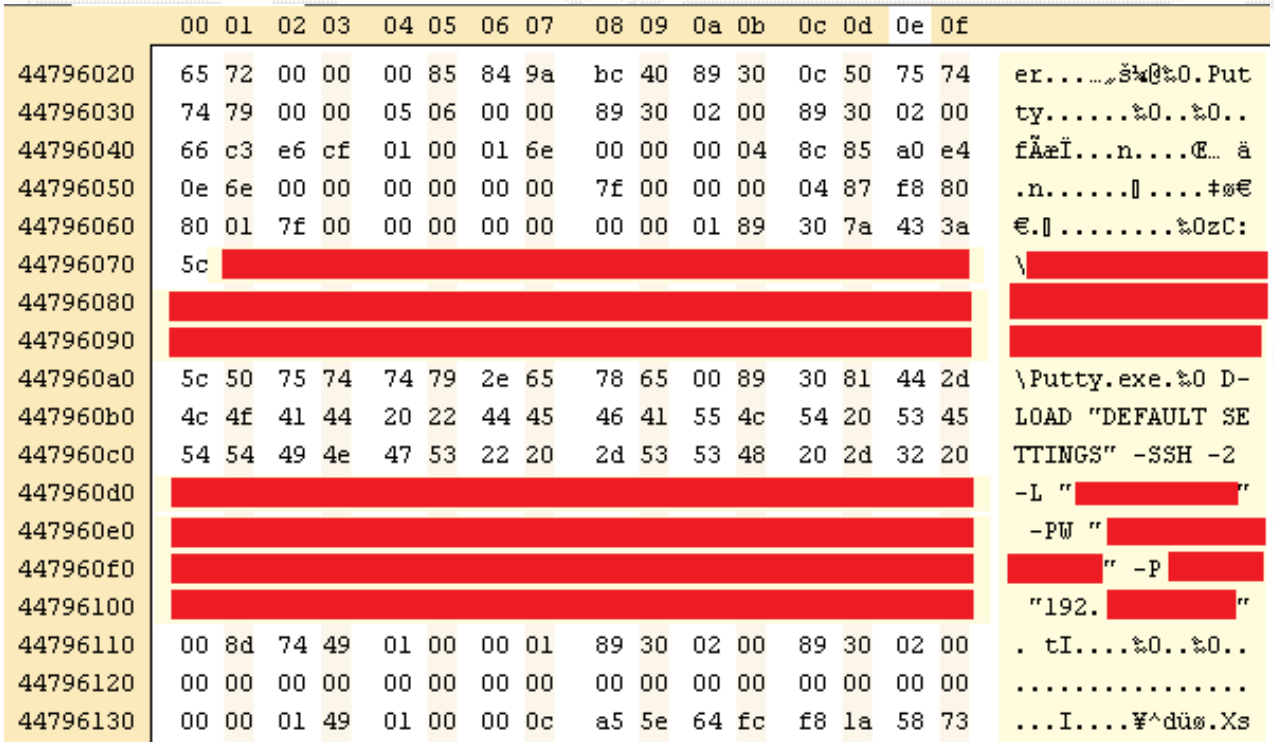
- ✓ Here **the network administration tool mRemote leaks** internal path, IP address and TCP port of an SSH enabled server… As well as the **username & password** of a root account!



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447960a0	5c 50 75 74	74 79 2e 65	78 65 00 89	30 81 44 2d	\Putty.exe.‰0 D-
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447960e0	[redacted]				-PW "[redacted]
447960f0	[redacted]				[redacted]" -P [redacted]
44796100	[redacted]				"192.[redacted]"
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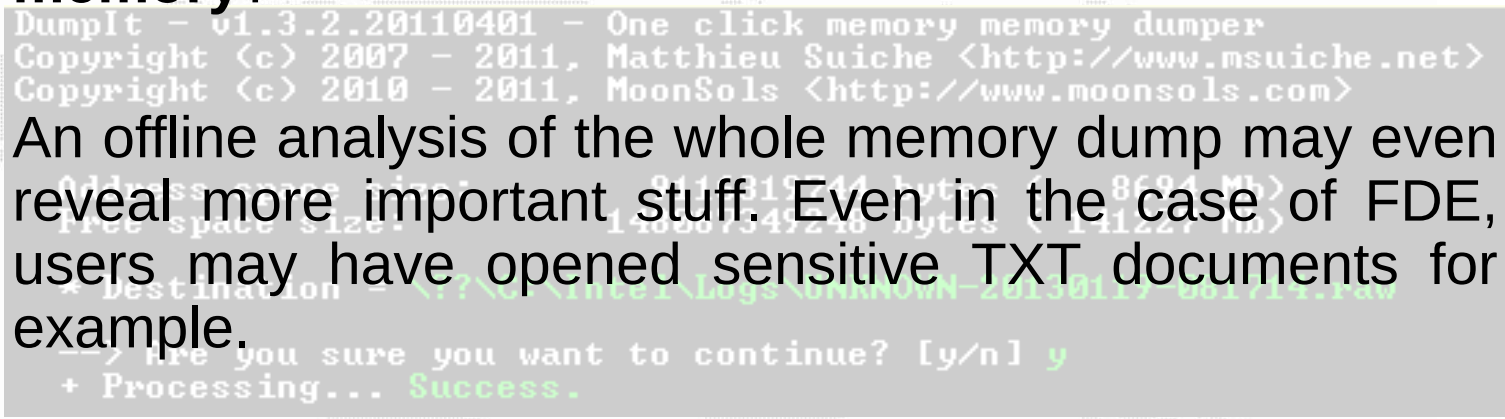
Full Memory Dump

- ✓ **If you have a good bandwidth and** you are not so limited by the **time**, why not **dumping the whole memory**?
- ✓ An offline analysis of the whole memory dump may even reveal more important stuff. Even in the case of FDE, users may have opened sensitive TXT documents for example.
- ✓ You may add **DumpIt** to your toolkit. It is a one-click memory acquisition application for Windows released by MoonSols. It's a great tool which combines win32dd and win64dd in one executable. It **is fast, small, portable, free and ultra easy** to use. Just run in to dump the physical memory in the current directory.



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- ✓ It is a common belief that RAM looses its content as soon as the power is down.
- ✓ This is wrong, **RAM is not immediately erased**. It may **take up to several minutes** in a standard environment, even if the RAM is removed from the computer.
- ✓ **And it may last much longer if you cool the DRAM chips**. With a simple dusty spraying at -50°C, your RAM data can survive more that 10 minutes.
- ✓ If you cool the chips at -196°C with liquid nitrogen, data are hold for several hours without any power.

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- ✓ It is then possible to plug the RAM in another system to dump their content to carry out an offline analysis.
- ✓ In particular, **encryption tools deeply rely on RAM to store their keys**. Therefore such attacks are mostly aimed to **defeat FDE, such as BitLocker, FileVault, dm-crypt, and TrueCrypt**.
- ✓ And even if there is some kinds of degradation in the memory contents, some algorithms can intelligently recover the keys.
- ✓ To know more, read the Princeton University's paper.

DMA based attacks

- ✓ **IEEE1394, aka FireWire, is a serial bus interface** standard **for high-speed communications** and isochronous real-time data transfer.
- ✓ According to Wikipedia, it "**supports DMA and memory-mapped devices**, allowing data transfers to happen without loading the host CPU with interrupts and buffer-copy operations".
- ✓ In other words, **you can read [and write] in the target's memory through its FireWire interface**!
- ✓ This security **problem is not new** [2004], **but still exists today as it relies in IEEE 1394 specifications**.

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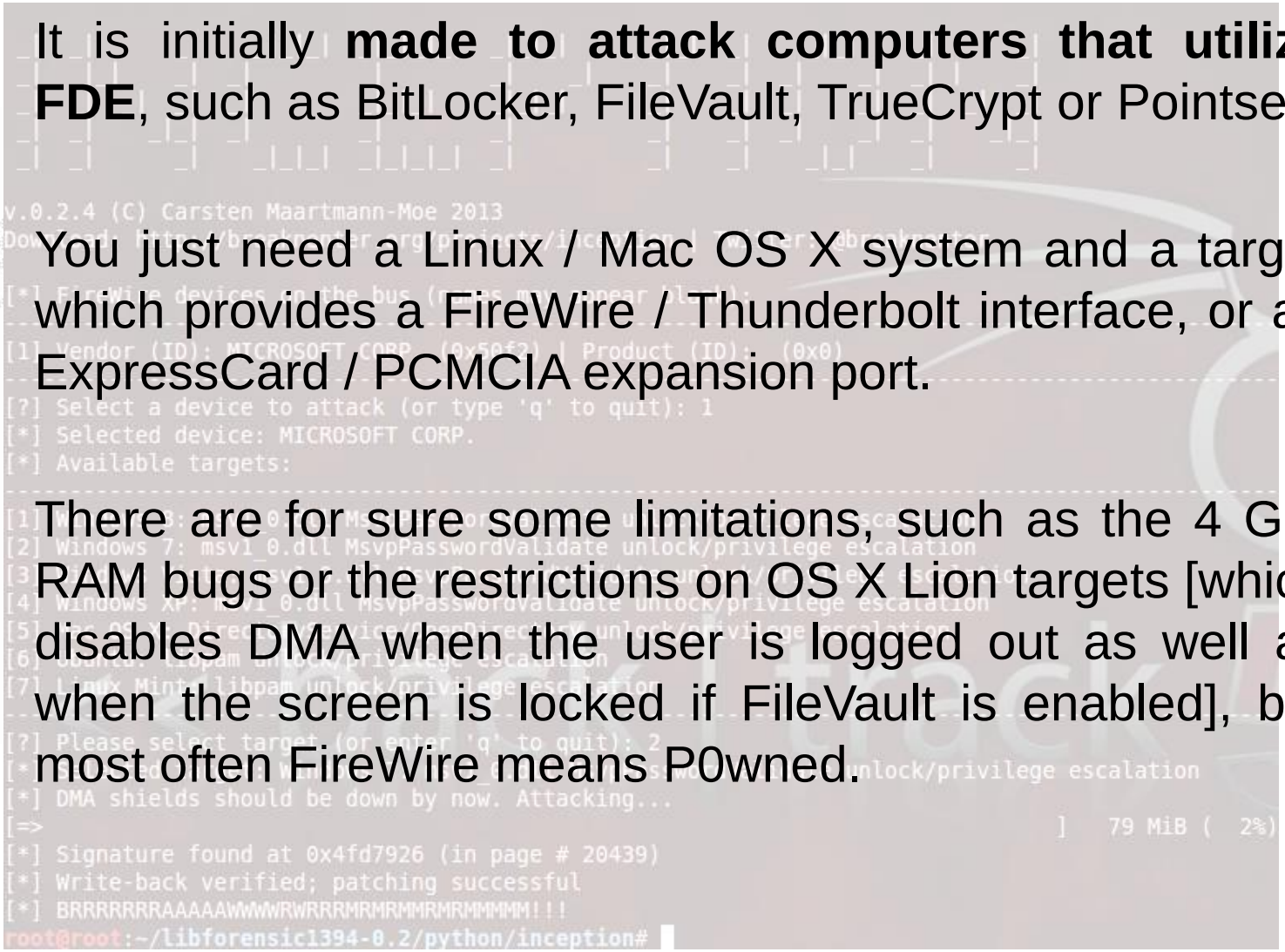
- ✓ A few years ago, attackers could use WinLockPwn. Today they have **Inception** tool, from ntropy.
- ✓ Inception is a **physical memory manipulation and hacking tool which nicely exploits IEEE 1394 SBP-2 DMA** [Serial Bus Protocol 2].
- ✓ **The tool can unlock and escalate privileges to Administrator / Root on almost any powered on machine you have physical access to**.
- ✓ The tool **works over any interface that expands and can master the PCIe bus, such as FireWire, Thunderbolt, ExpressCard and PCMCIA** (PC-Card).

DMA based attacks

- ✓ It is initially **made to attack computers that utilize FDE**, such as BitLocker, FileVault, TrueCrypt or Pointsec.
- ✓ You just need a Linux / Mac OS X system and a target which provides a FireWire / Thunderbolt interface, or an ExpressCard / PCMCIA expansion port.
- ✓ There are for sure some limitations, such as the 4 GiB RAM bugs or the restrictions on OS X Lion targets [which disables DMA when the user is logged out as well as when the screen is locked if FileVault is enabled], but most often FireWire means P0wned.



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- ✓ **Just a few lines to install** on a your BackTrack:

```
1  apt-get install cmake python3 g++
2  wget http://freddie.witherden.org/tools/libforensic1394/releases/libforensic1394-0.2.tar.gz --no-check-certificate
3  tar -xvf libforensic1394-0.2.tar.gz
4  cd libforensic1394-0.2
5  cmake CMakeLists.txt
6  make install
7  cd python
8  python3 setup.py install
9  git clone https://github.com/carmaa/inception.git
10 cd inception
11 ./setup.py install
```

- ✓ **The short following demo of Inception exploits the FireWire interface of an up-to-date Windows 7 system to patch the msv1_0.dll file and unlock the running session.**

Package

DMA based attacks

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- ✓ This kind of DMA based attacks **also permit to attack mounted encrypted volumes**, such as a TrueCrypt archive.
- ✓ You can **for example boot your attacking system with PassWare FireWire Memory Imager** from Passware Kit Forensics, **and search for AES keys in the target memory** through FireWire.
- ✓ You can basically **defeat BitLocker, TrueCrypt, FileVault2 & PGP encryption volumes**.
- ✓ To know more:
  http://www.breaknenter.org/projects/inception/
  http://support.microsoft.com/kb/2516445

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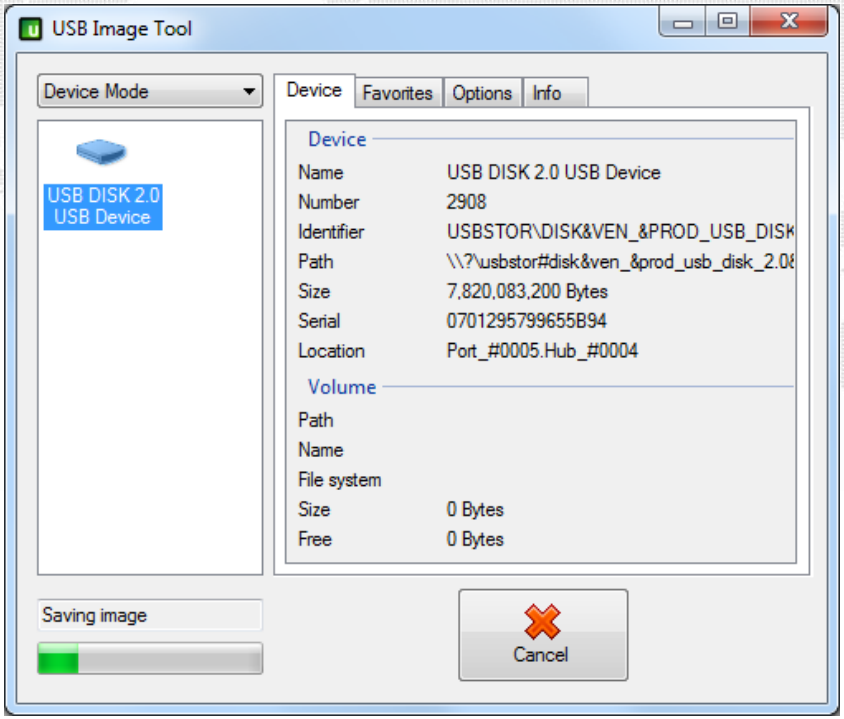
- ✓ The following slides illustrate an attack on a TrueCrypt volume created on an 8 Gb memory stick.
- ✓ First step was to backup the encrypted drive.



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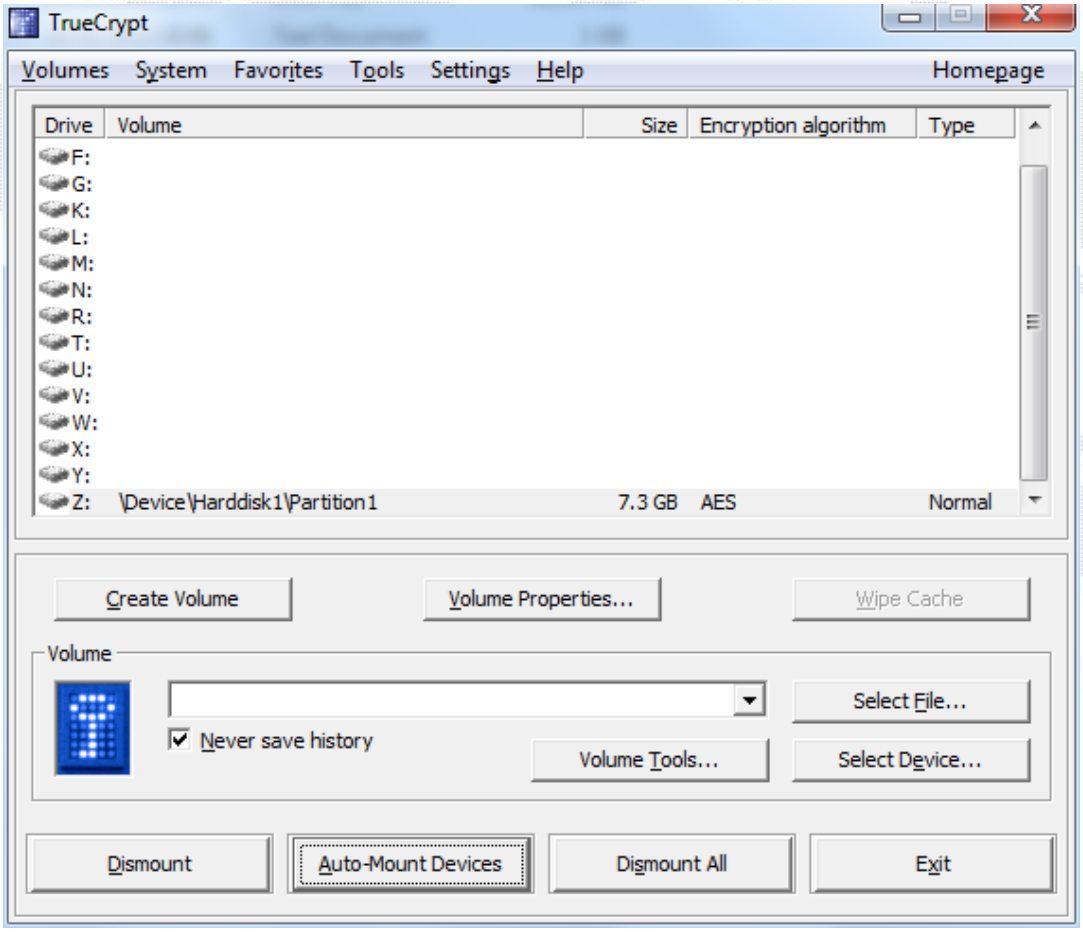
- ✓ Then let's begin the **attack on a mounted volume when the user went.**



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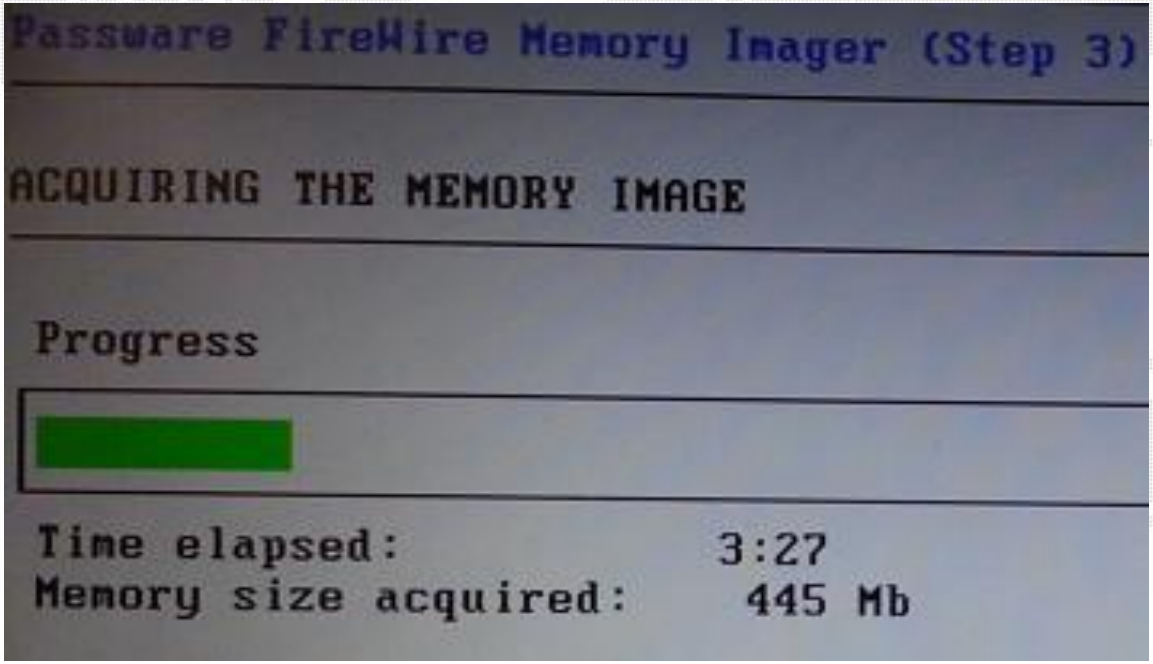
- ✓ **Dump the physical memory** of the target system **through** our favourite **FireWire** interface.



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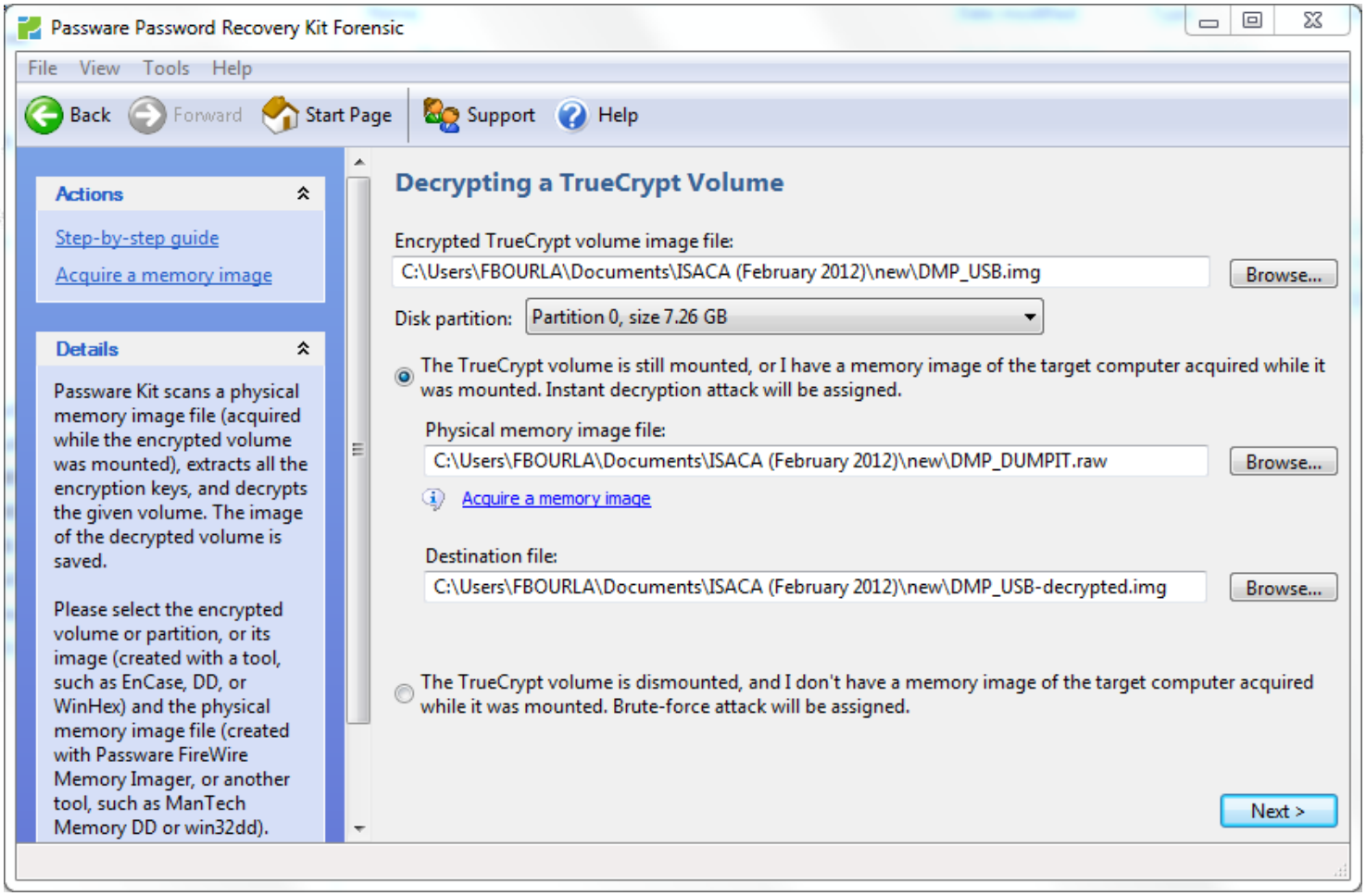
- ✓ And **attack the key material in memory**…



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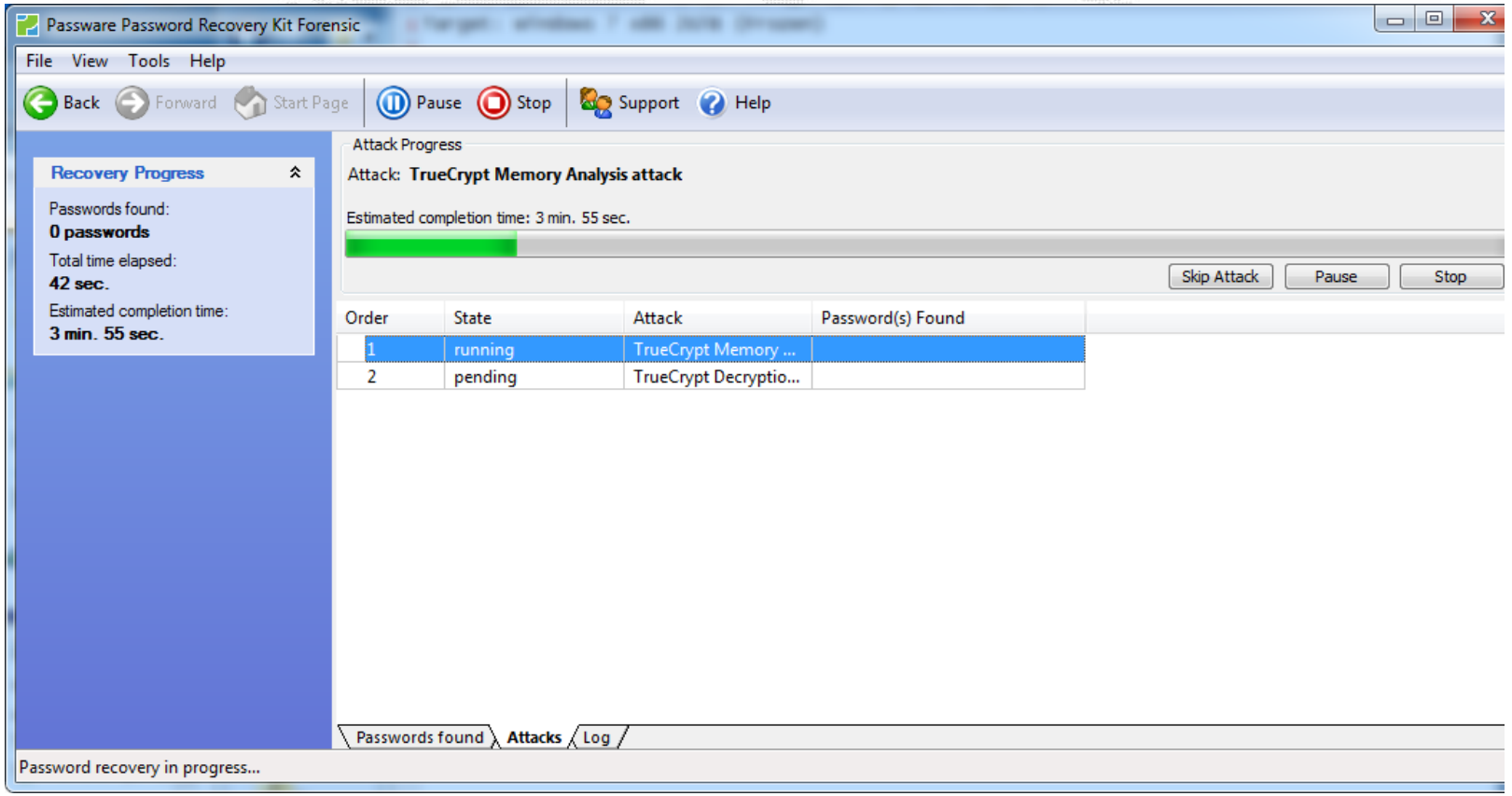
- ✓ The attack **only last a couple of minutes**.



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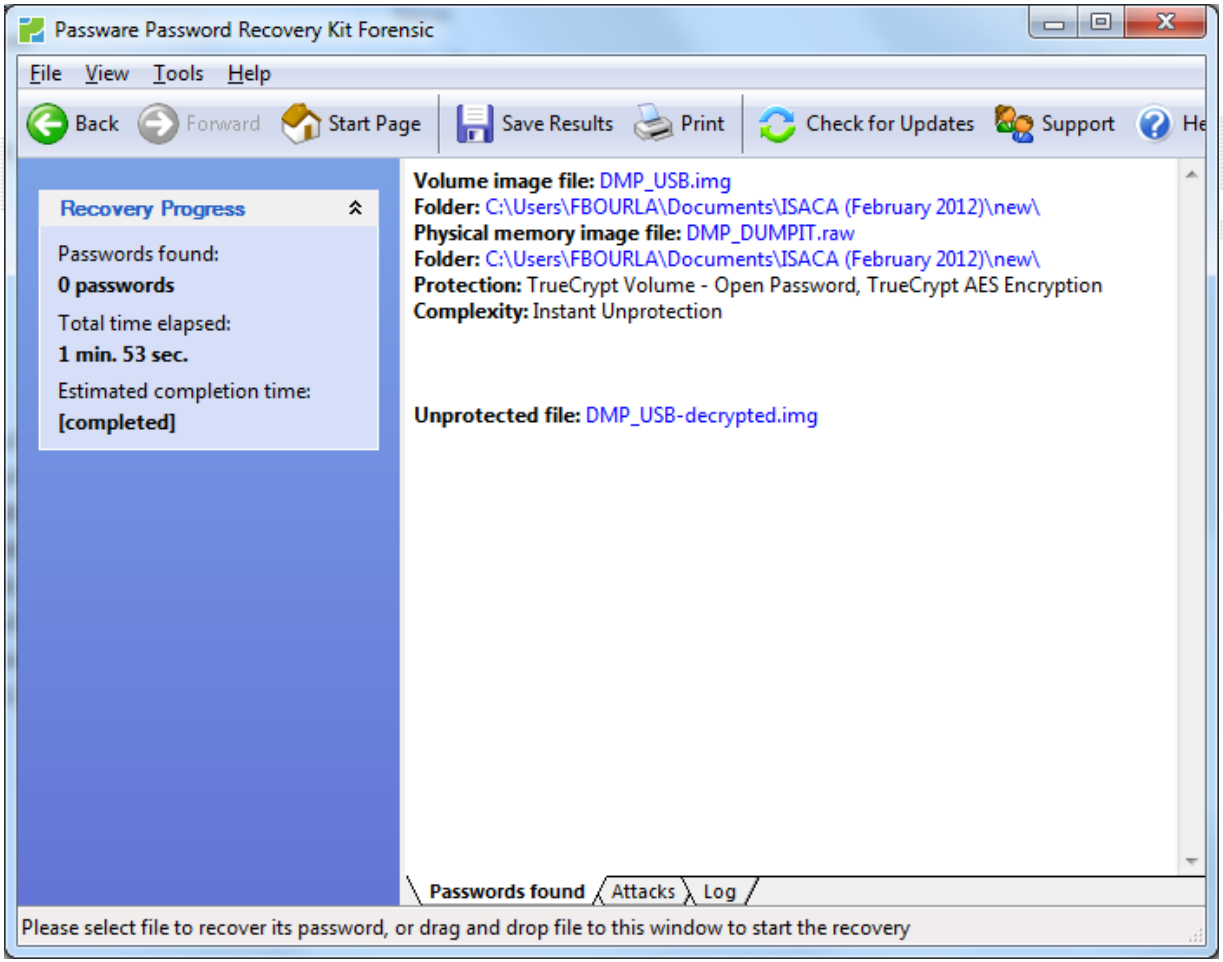
- ✓ And **you should get an unencrypted raw volume**.



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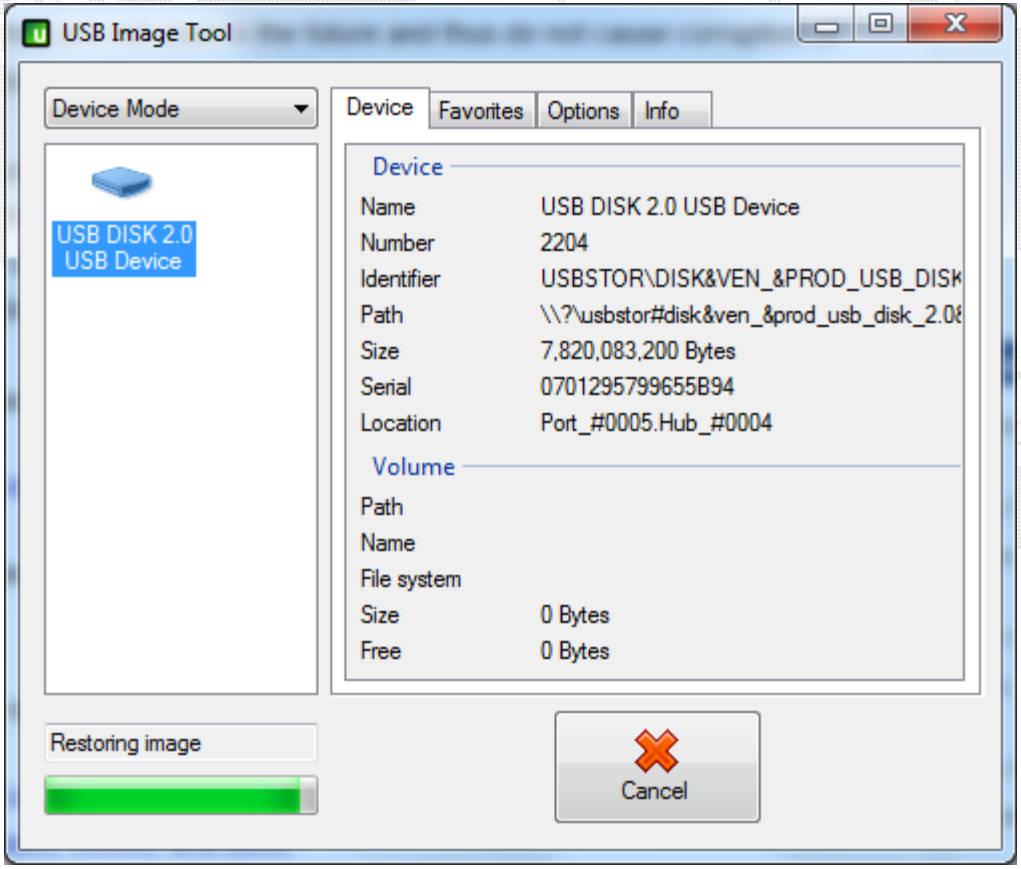
- ✓ You just have to **fill a new memory stick with this raw image**…



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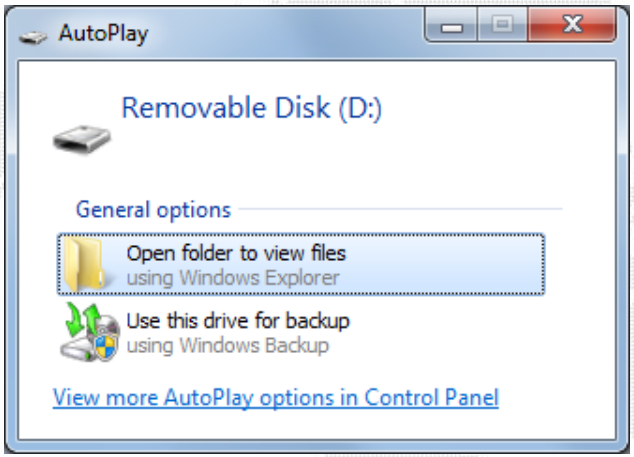
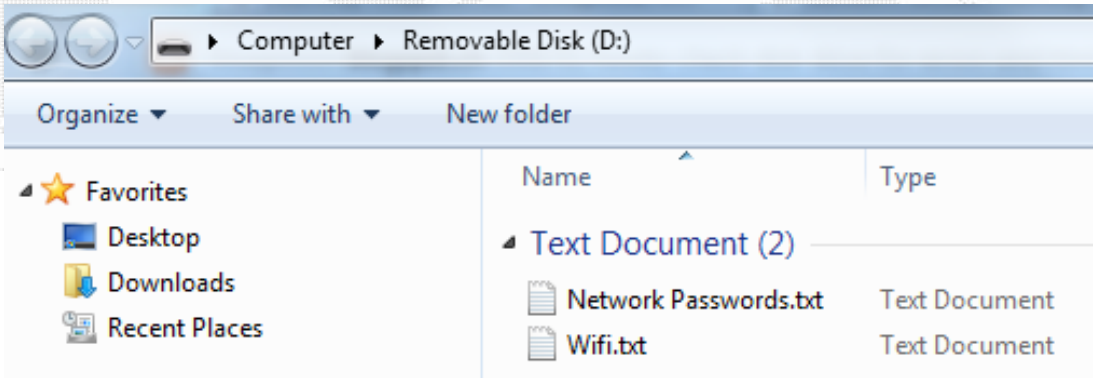
- ✓ And that's it ! Just plug your new device…





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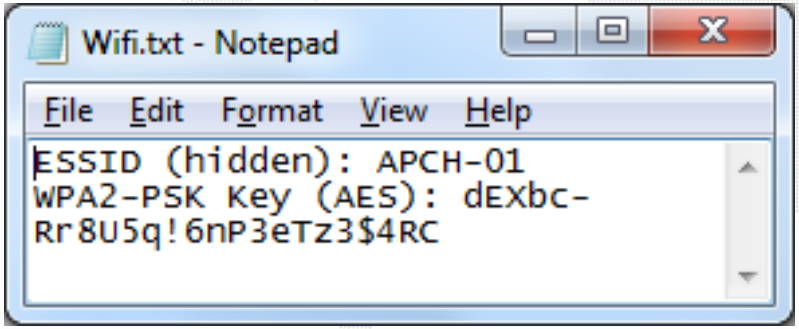
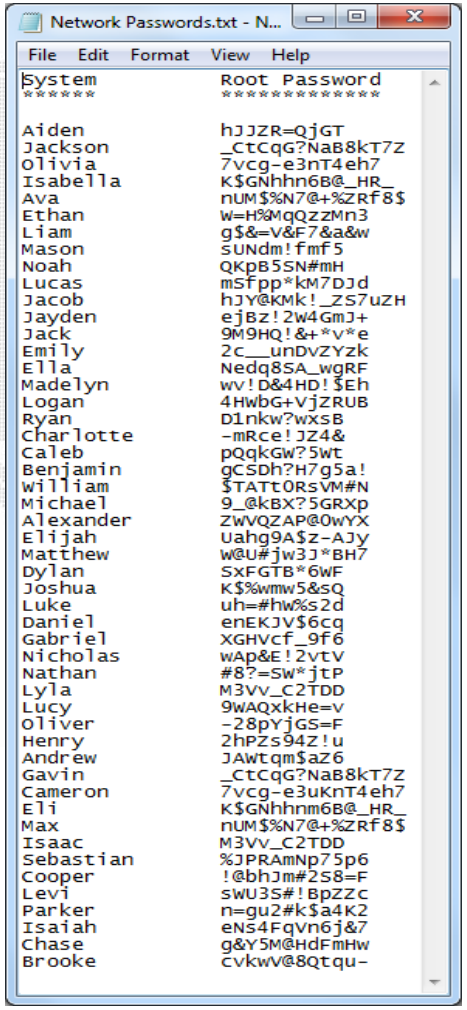
- ✓ And **enjoy your TrueCrypt less volume**.





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- ✓ **Traditional Forensics approach faces problem with encryption**, especially with FDE.
- ✓ **If** the investigator "**pulls the plug**" and creates a bit-for-bit image of the physical hard drive, he **most probably destroys the best chance of recovering the plaintext data**, **as well as all common memory artefacts**.
- ✓ **With FDE**, it is usually far **better to make a bit-for-bit image of the logical device** while the system is still running, even if underlines disk activities are generally not welcome… And even if we rely on an untrusted OS to present what is actually on the disk, therefore prone to anti-forensic techniques.

Circumventing FDE

- ✓ If we **begin by capturing the volatile memory**, **then** we can potentially **extract the cryptographic keys** from the memory image **to decrypt and analyse the disk image**.
- ✓ The only one **challenge usually consists in uniquely identifying key materials among gigabytes of other data**.
- ✓ It is usually **achieved with a mixed of entropy analysis** [limited because of the short length of symmetrical keys and the randomness of other data, such as compressed files] **and brute force** attack [Known-Plaintext Attack, where the attacker has samples of both the plaintext and the ciphertext].
- ✓ To learn more: “RAM is Key - Extracting Disk Encryption Keys From Volatile Memory", by B. Kaplan and M. Geiger).

Code Analysis via API Hooking

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- ✓ **A quick way to have an idea of what a binary does is to analyse its API calls**.
- ✓ You can do it easily **with APISpy32** for example, from Pietrek.
- ✓ You just need to populate a configuration file with the name of all the API [e.g. per a strings] you want to enable Hooking, and you get a nice malcode monitoring tool.
- ✓ Next slide shows common API use in malware.

Code Analysis via API Hooking

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Common API	Malware
URLDownloadToFile, FtpGetFile, FtpOpenFile	Dropper
CreateRemoteThread, NtWriteVirtualMemory, LoadLibrary and similar (LoadLibraryA, LoadLibraryExA, LoadLibraryExW, etc.)	Injection
BeginPaint (to disable local screen changes when a VNC session is activated)	Zeus
Accept, Bind	Backdoor
Connect, CreateNamedPipe, ConnectNamedPipe, DisconnectNamedPipe	Dropper and Reverse Trojan
IsDebuggerPresent, CheckRemoteDebuggerPresent	Anti debugger

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Common API	Malware
CryptCreateHash, CryptEncrypt, CryptGetHashParam	Encryption
DeviceIoControl, NtLoadDriver, NtOpenProcess	Rootkit
HttpOpenRequest, HttpSendRequest, InternetConnect	Exfiltration
ModifyExcuteProtectionSupport, EnableExecuteProtectionSupport, NtExecuteAddFileOptOutList	DEP
SetSfcFileException	Windows File Protection alteration

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- ✓ It is probably **the best way to identify the most hidden evil code**, such a Rootkits.
- ✓ **And don't forget that some malware can live in memory without ever touching the hard disk**. This is for example the case with MSF Meterpreter, which is injected into existing process memory.
- ✓ **Stealth malware** also **work in that manner** [mostly in targeted hacking against big companies].
- ✓ **Hard disks are amazingly big** today. Simply creating a raw image can take very long time... Sometimes several days. **Analysing memory is much faster**.

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- ✓ But there are also **some minor drawbacks**… Indeed, **the memory image will only give us information on what was running at a particular time**. **We will not see the** most visible piece of **malcode if it was not running when we** proceed with the **imaging** [unless some tracks remain in undeleted structures].

- ✓ And fore sure, **to make an image of the memory we first need to run once a specific utility**... **Which will be loaded in the targeted memory**! As a consequence, it is always **possible to alter evidence** [even if chances are really low with a light utility].

- ✓ Anyway, it definitely **worth a try as a fast analysis can help you spot the evidence very quickly**. :-]

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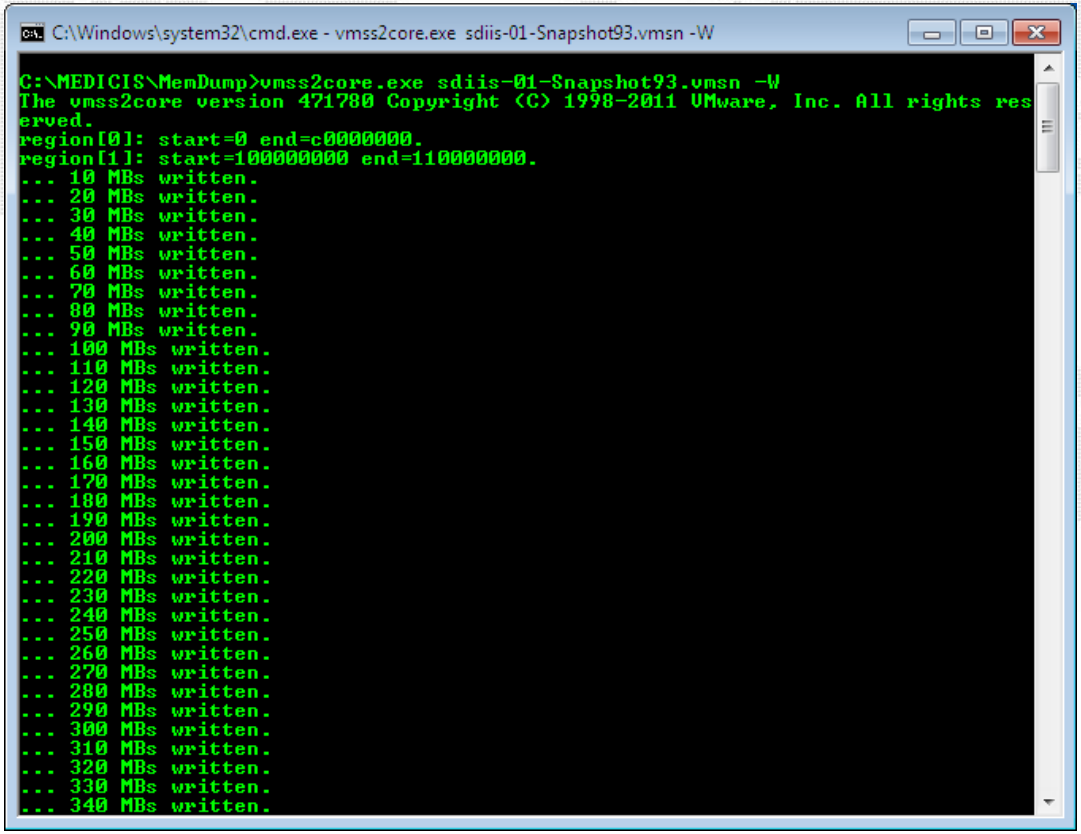
- ✓ **Any kind of physical memory abstract could be usable**, such as a Memory Dump, a Crash Dump, an hibernation file or a VMEM file for virtual machines.



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- ✓ **Memory Forensics** is a **very huge project**, as memory mappings differ from OS, SP and patch levels, and as vendors usually do not really document their internal memory structures.

- ✓ **Nevertheless, it is mature and efficient** since a few years. Nowadays, **we are not limited anymore to ASCI and Unicode grep**, **and we can** now rely on powerful tools which parse **well known memory structures**.

Memory Forensics

- ✓ For sure, we are still facing challenging problems, and tools may be limited by Paging and Swapping which can prevent investigators from analysing the whole virtual address space of a specific process [unless they also dig into the pagefile.sys for example]…
- ✓ But it is still really effective for Malware Analysis!
- ✓ Besite commercial tools, free solutions do exist, such as Radare and **Volatility**. The later **simply** became **impressing**.
- ✓ Since last year, Volatility also support MAC systems.

Memory Forensics

- ✓ Shall you need to carry out a **Memory Forensics on a Windows, Linux, Mac or Android system**, I strongly advise you to have a look on Volatility.

- ✓ It is basically a **Python based tool** for extracting digital artefacts from volatile memory [RAM] samples **which offer an amazing visibility in the runtime state of the system**.

- ✓ **You can easily identify running processes and their DLL**, Virtual Address Descriptor [**VAD**], **System call tables** [IDT, GDT, SSDT], environment variables, **network connections**, open handles to kernel and executive objects, **and so on**.

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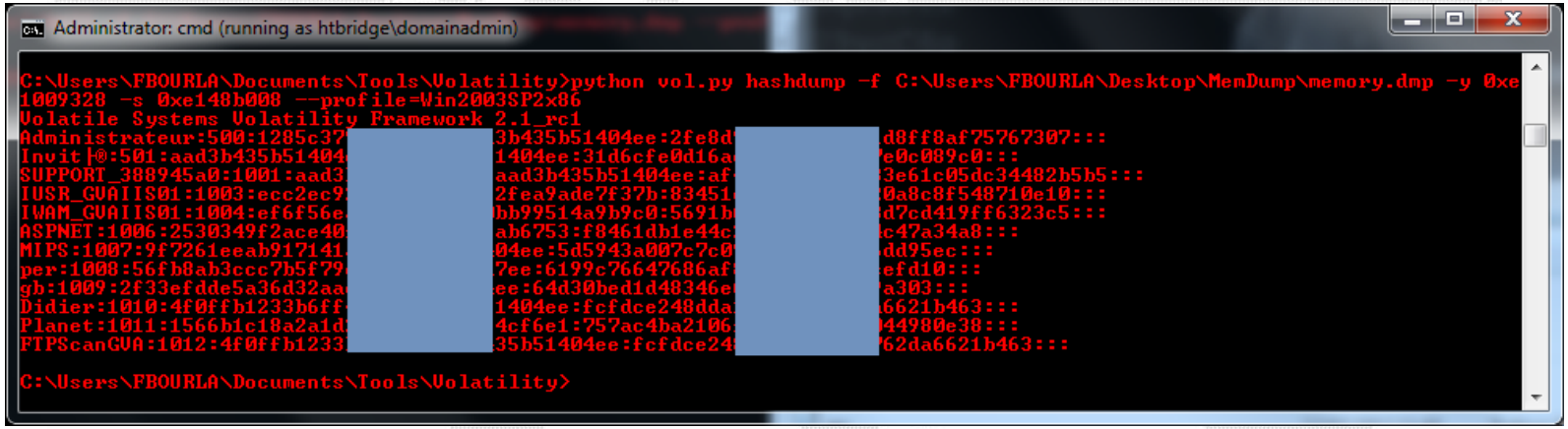
- ✓ **It can even be used to dump LM and NTLM hashes**, as well as LSA secrets…



- ✓ Well, **for French targets** there is a **little bug** [because of accents]... You will have to **adapt a little bit the code**:

```
305 def dump_hashes(sysaddr, samaddr):
306     bootkey = get_bootkey(sysaddr)
307     hbootkey = get_hbootkey(samaddr, bootkey)
308
309     if hbootkey:
310         for user in get_user_keys(samaddr):
311             ret = get_user_hashes(user, hbootkey)
312             if not ret:
313                 yield obj.NoneObject("Cannot get user hashes for {0}".format(user))
314             else:
315                 lmhash, nthash = ret
316                 if not lmhash:
317                     lmhash = empty_lm
318                 if not nthash:
319                     nthash = empty_nt
320                 yield "{0}:{1}:{2}:{3}:::".format(get_user_name(user).encode("utf-8"), int(str(user.Name), 16),
321                                                   lmhash.encode('hex'), nthash.encode('hex'))
322     else:
323         yield obj.NoneObject("Hbootkey is not valid")
324
325 def dump_memory_hashes(addr_space, config, syshive, samhive):
326     sysaddr = hive.HiveAddressSpace(addr_space, config, syshive)
327     samaddr = hive.HiveAddressSpace(addr_space, config, samhive)
328     return dump_hashes(sysaddr, samaddr)
329
330 def dump_file_hashes(syshive_fname, samhive_fname):
331     sysaddr = hive.HiveFileAddressSpace(syshive_fname)
332     samaddr = hive.HiveFileAddressSpace(samhive_fname)
333     return dump_hashes(sysaddr, samaddr)
```

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- ✓ But beside this, it is **really efficient to track malcode**. **Let's dig into a real example**…

De : Apple Store <store@apple.fr>
Envoyé: Wed Jan 30 04:27:15 UTC+01:00 2013
Objet : Suivi de votre commande effectuée sur Apple.fr

Chère Client(e),

Pour faire suite à notre précédent mail, nous avons le plaisir de vous informer que votre commande est validée. Suite à votre commande n°EO30352147 passée sur le site apple.com et expédiée, nous vous transmettons la facture correspondante.

Vous trouverez votre facture 505014785823V en télérèglement concernant votre commande EO30352147 du 3 jan 2012 sur le lien suivant :

http://www.apple.fr/clients/download/facture50522231823v.zip

Ce message confirme que vous avez acheté les articles suivants :

Apple - Macbook - Ordinateur portable 13" - Intel Core 2 Duo - 250 Go - RAM 2048 Mo - MacOS X 10.6 - Jusqu'à 10h d'utilisation - NVIDIA GeForce GT 320M - Blanc

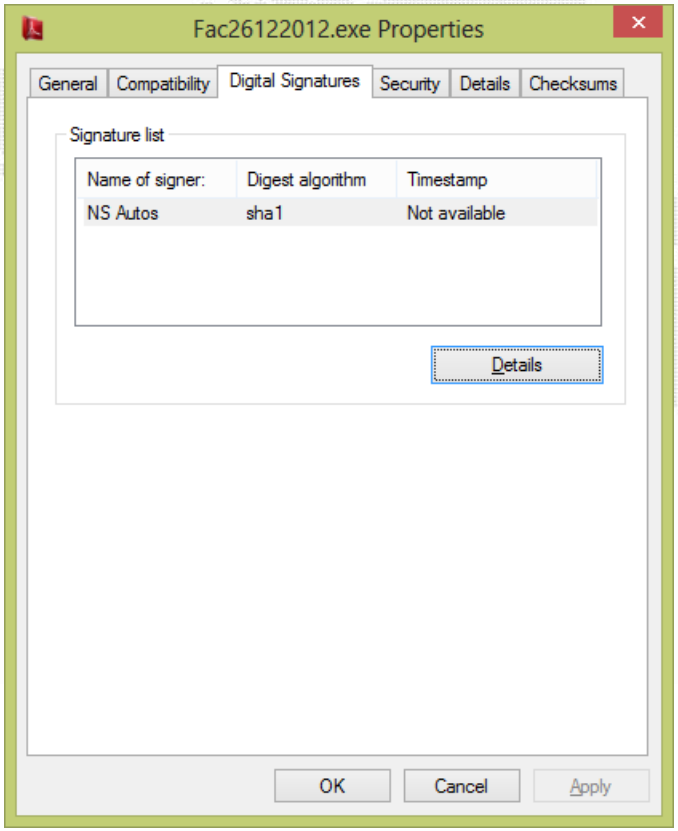
Montant total pour cette commande : EUR 995,11

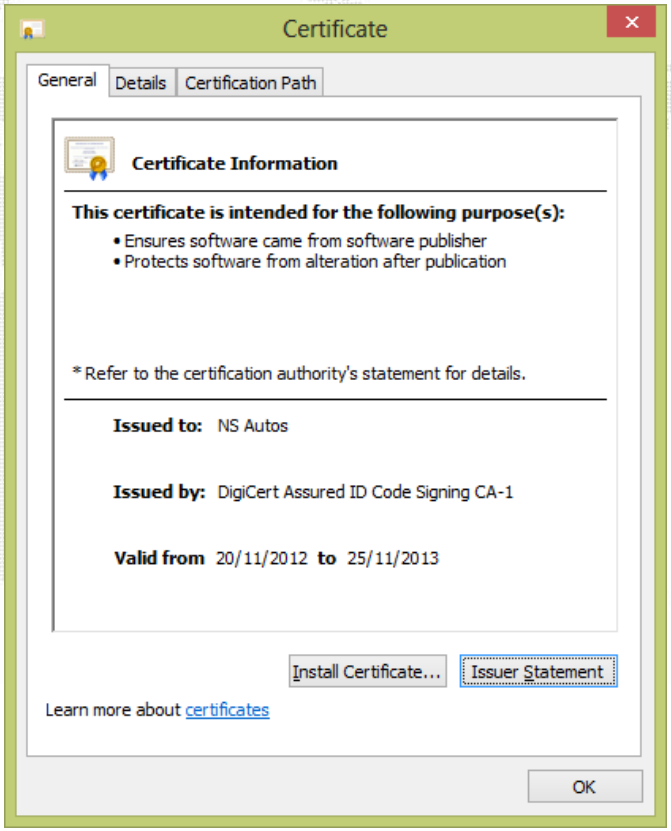
Nous avons le plaisir de vous informer que votre colis 6920829110901078 est prêt. Il sera donc confié à notre transporteur en charge de sa livraison très prochainement. Notre prochain mail vous confirmera la bonne prise en charge de votre colis par le transporteur. Vous pouvez bien entendu suivre votre commande via votre Espace clients.

Nous vous remercions de votre confiance et vous souhaitons bonne réception.

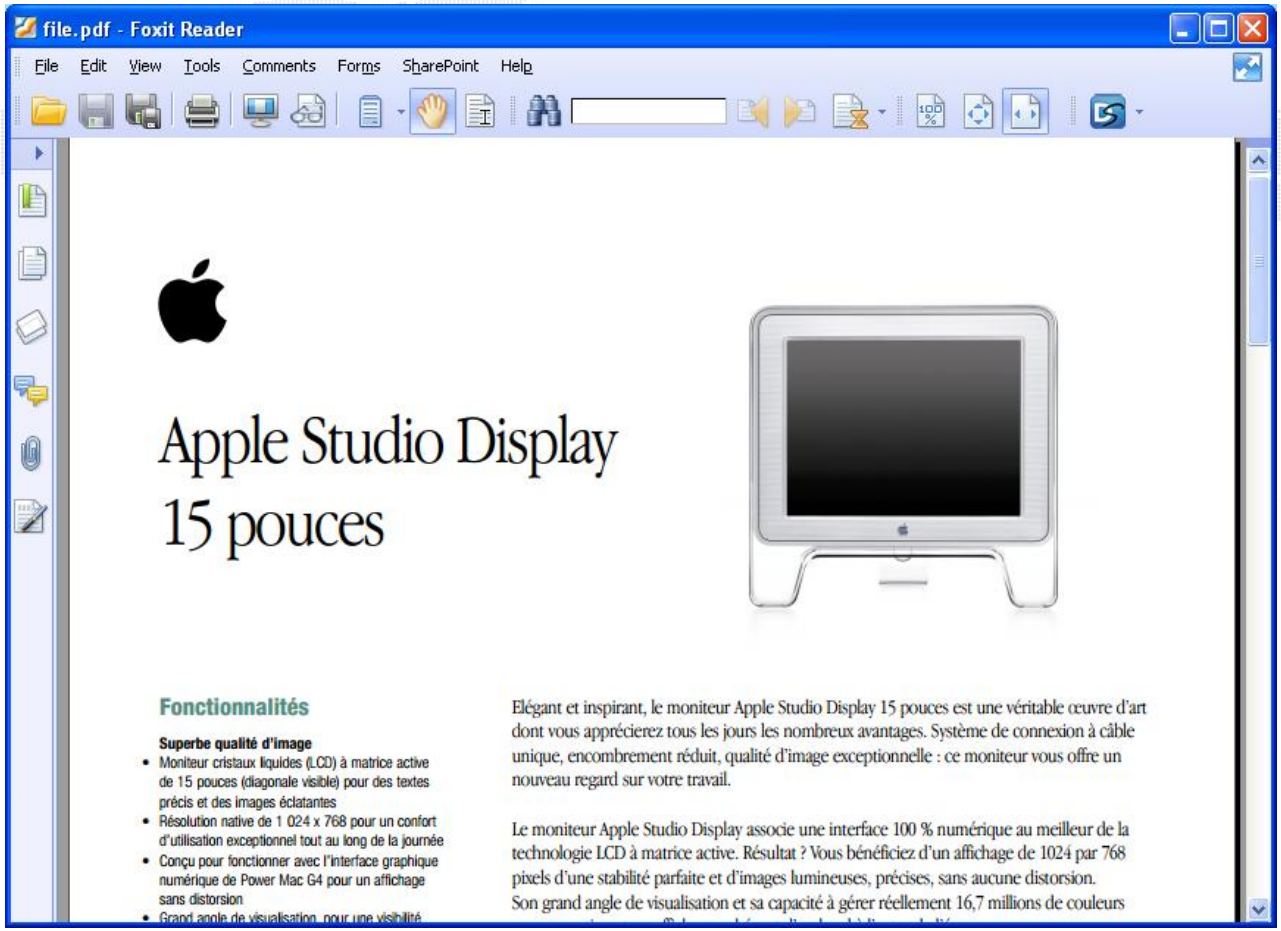
Cordialement,
Votre Service Clients

- ✓ Heavy **malware** may be **digitally signed** by a trusted CA.

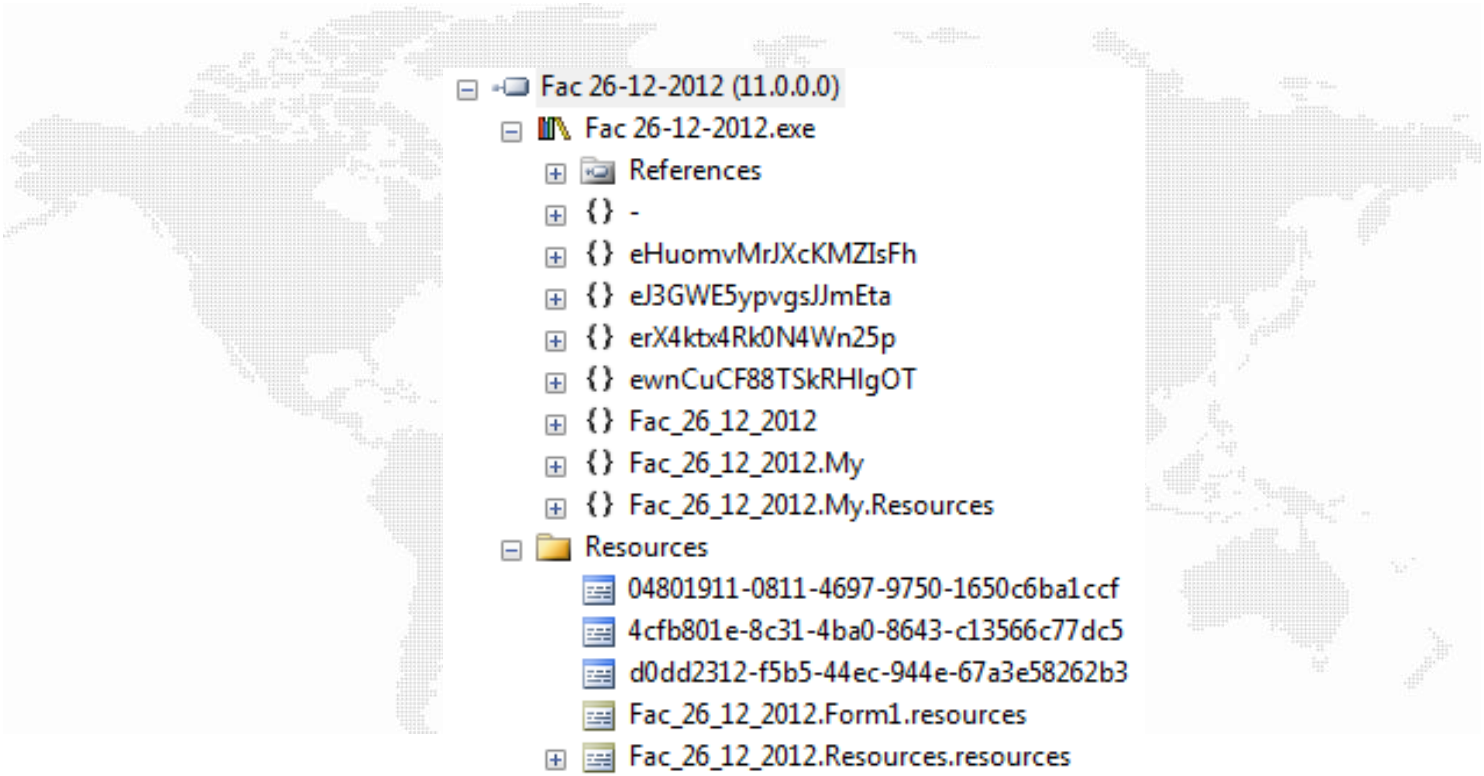




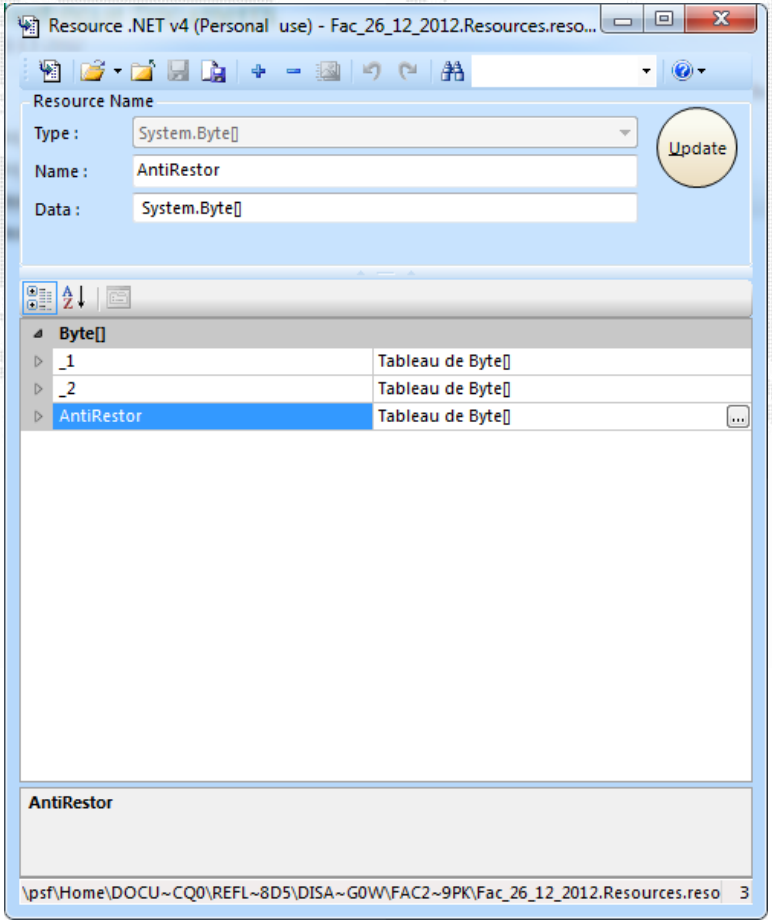
- ✓ And may be really **appear benign to your users**.



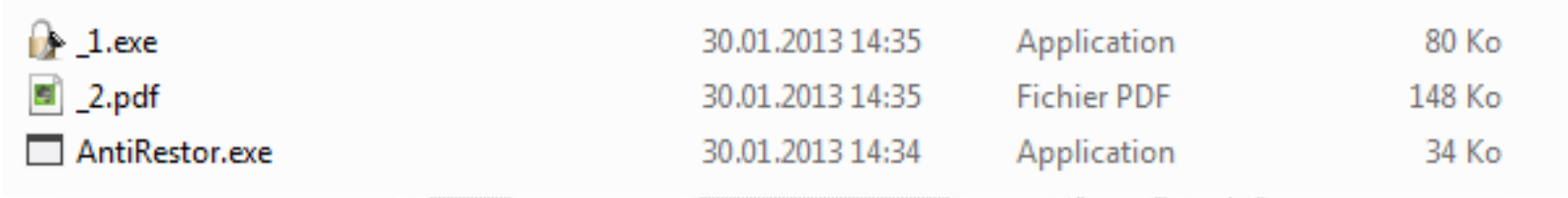
- ✓ Here it was an **obfuscated .Net based Dropper**.



- ✓ Even if you manually find the embedded payload, **nearly everything is packed to disturb Reverse Engineers**.



- ✓ **The only one unencrypted payload was a kind of anti-restoring feature**, which basically hooks specific API to prevent system administrators to remove the malware [e.g. by killing his task manager].



- ✓ **And then? What's next?** We could spend lots of time in a Reverse Engineering phase, or analyse its behaviour in a sandbox [if the code doesn't detect it]…

- ✓ …And we can **simply see what's happen in memory**.

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- ✓ Just **infect voluntarily your VM** or your lab workstation.
- ✓ And use one of the good existing tools to dump the whole memory:
  - Memory from Mandiant
  - FTK Imager from AccessData
  - FastDump from HB Gary
  - **DumpIt** and Win32dd / Win64dd from Moonsols
  - And of course your favourite FireWire interface
- ✓ Before using **Volatility to dissect this memory dump**.

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- ✓ Let's begin to get **basic information on our dump file**.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>volatility imageinfo -f WI
NFORENSICS-20130130-160046.raw
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.0
        Suggested Profile(s) : WinXPSP3x86, WinXPSP2x86 (Instantiated with Win
XPSP2x86)
                   AS Layer1 : JKIA32PagedMemoryPae (Kernel AS)
                   AS Layer2 : FileAddressSpace (C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\V
olatility-Standalone-2.0\WINFORENSICS-20130130-160046.raw)
                    PAE type : PAE
                         DTB : 0x347000
                        KDBG : 0x80545c60L
                        KPCR : 0xffdff000L
          KUSER_SHARED_DATA : 0xffdf0000L
        Image date and time : 2013-01-30 16:00:47
  Image local date and time : 2013-01-30 16:00:47
       Number of Processors : 1
                  Image Type : Service Pack 3
```

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- ✓ The **PSLIST** command **quickly show processes**.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py pslist -f WINFORENSICS-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x8
6
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Offset(V)  Name                    PID   PPID   Thds     Hnds   Sess  Wow64 Start                          Exit
---------- -------------------- ------ ------ ------ -------- ------ ------ -------------------- --------------------
0x89e43830 System                    4      0     57      485 ------      0
0x89c95a20 smss.exe                540      4      3       19 ------      0 2013-01-30 11:22:29
0x89caa020 csrss.exe               612    540     12      431      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:31
0x899a2da0 winlogon.exe            636    540     19      582      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:32
0x89bdf020 services.exe            680    636     17      376      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:33
0x89911020 lsass.exe               692    636     20      351      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:33
0x89bd3518 vmacthlp.exe            848    680      1       25      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:34
0x89d00808 svchost.exe             864    680     16      193      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:34
0x89af4818 svchost.exe             944    680     11      277      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:35
0x89bc9878 svchost.exe            1076    680     72     1614      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:35
0x8988c3a0 svchost.exe            1180    680      4       71      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:40
0x89bca5d0 svchost.exe            1228    680     13      171      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:40
0x898dfda0 spoolsv.exe            1444    680     15      255      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:42
0x898de448 svchost.exe            1548    680      5      108      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:59
0x89bc0900 jqs.exe                1620    680      5      139      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:59
0x897396a0 SbieSvc.exe            1668    680      7       81      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:59
0x898d4020 vmtoolsd.exe           1776    680      7      309      0      0 2013-01-30 11:22:59
0x89718188 explorer.exe            916    136     18      639      0      0 2013-01-30 11:23:37
0x8970a220 vmtoolsd.exe           1660    916      3      125      0      0 2013-01-30 11:23:41
0x89719258 jusched.exe            1688    916      4      252      0      0 2013-01-30 11:23:42
0x89b6a430 SbieCtrl.exe           1696    916      3       75      0      0 2013-01-30 11:23:42
0x89844da0 ctfmon.exe             1704    916      1      119      0      0 2013-01-30 11:23:42
0x89b888a0 wuauclt.exe            1520   1076      3      116      0      0 2013-01-30 11:24:11
0x898888e0 alg.exe                2044    680      6      107      0      0 2013-01-30 11:24:33
0x89a78380 cmd.exe                2112    916      1       37      0      0 2013-01-30 12:24:20
0x89652430 cmd.exe                3856    916      1       37      0      0 2013-01-30 12:31:23
0x895bbda0 Fac26122012.exe        1556    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 12:43:58  2013-01-30 12:44:03
0x895d8020 wmiprvse.exe            352    864      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 12:44:01  2013-01-30 12:45:31
0x898e1020 Fac26122012.exe         276    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:22:36  2013-01-30 13:22:40
0x895e9350 wmiprvse.exe           3748    864      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:22:38  2013-01-30 13:24:33
0x89370d08 mspaint.exe            3984    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:23:20  2013-01-30 13:24:55
0x895c5a20 svchost.exe            3036    680      9      139      0      0 2013-01-30 13:23:20
0x89350da0 svchost.exe            3264   3116      2      274      0      0 2013-01-30 13:53:31
0x89371020 svchost.exe            3896   3116      7      178      0      0 2013-01-30 13:53:31
0x8958a428 netstat.exe            2300   3856      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:54:20  2013-01-30 13:54:20
0x8959a150 mspaint.exe            2968    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:56:21  2013-01-30 13:56:54
0x8937a568 mspaint.exe             860    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:58:03  2013-01-30 13:58:42
0x89acd7f0 notepad.exe            4056    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:59:09  2013-01-30 14:06:49
0x893662a0 regedit.exe            2436    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 13:59:29  2013-01-30 14:00:46
0x896fa020 mspaint.exe            3980    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:00:02  2013-01-30 14:00:50
0x89ad1768 regedit.exe            4036    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:01:00  2013-01-30 14:07:00
0x89480848 mspaint.exe            2864    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:02:57  2013-01-30 14:04:27
0x89464518 eventvwr.exe           3132    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:05:34  2013-01-30 14:05:35
0x89478270 netstat.exe            2668   2112      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:07:31  2013-01-30 14:07:32
0x8945f7b0 notepad.exe            2584    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:08:18  2013-01-30 14:11:21
0x8945a128 mspaint.exe             348    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:09:03  2013-01-30 14:10:43
0x89339c88 CaptureBAT.exe          516   3856      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:11:40  2013-01-30 14:12:51
0x8945f020 _1.exe                 2380    916      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:11:45  2013-01-30 14:11:48
0x893276f8 netstat.exe            3424   2112      0 --------      0      0 2013-01-30 14:12:23  2013-01-30 14:12:23
0x89450280 DumpIt.exe             2784    916      1       25      0      0 2013-01-30 14:14:08
```

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- ✓ You can **arrange them by tree** view.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>volatility pstree -f WINFORENSICS-2013
profile=WinXPSP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.0
Name                                 Pid   PPid   Thds   Hnds   Time
 0x89E43830:System                     4      0     58    480 1970-01-01 00:00:00
. 0x89D77020:smss.exe                540      4      3     19 2013-01-30 14:30:41
.. 0x8995C888:csrss.exe              604    540     12    431 2013-01-30 14:30:43
.. 0x89AA7020:winlogon.exe           636    540     20    572 2013-01-30 14:30:43
... 0x89AA9020:services.exe          680    636     16    289 2013-01-30 14:30:45
.... 0x897F8C78:svchost.exe         1152    680      5     77 2013-01-30 14:30:53
.... 0x89785020:hxdef100.exe        2576    680      2     31 2013-01-30 15:58:32
.... 0x89B257D0:spoolsv.exe         1440    680     11    134 2013-01-30 14:30:55
.... 0x897E3950:svchost.exe         1840    680      4    106 2013-01-30 14:31:12
.... 0x89B2D508:svchost.exe         1076    680     70   1433 2013-01-30 14:30:49
..... 0x89B6D7B0:wuauclt.exe        2056   1076      3    115 2013-01-30 14:32:36
.... 0x898CE020:svchost.exe          960    680     10    274 2013-01-30 14:30:47
.... 0x8977D760:alg.exe             1224    680      5    105 2013-01-30 14:31:41
.... 0x89BF4768:vmacthlp.exe         848    680      1     25 2013-01-30 14:30:46
.... 0x89BD2878:jqs.exe             2004    680      5    159 2013-01-30 14:31:16
.... 0x89A4FDA0:SbieSvc.exe          216    680      7     81 2013-01-30 14:31:18
.... 0x899FC020:svchost.exe          876    680     17    194 2013-01-30 14:30:47
.... 0x89B76020:vmtoolsd.exe         552    680      7    324 2013-01-30 14:31:20
.... 0x89D21DA0:svchost.exe         3704    680      5    125 2013-01-30 15:51:00
.... 0x898C77D8:svchost.exe         1236    680     12    171 2013-01-30 14:30:54
... 0x8993E788:lsass.exe             692    636     20    355 2013-01-30 14:30:45
 0x89A61740:explorer.exe            1756   1716     14    516 2013-01-30 14:31:08
. 0x89D1A020:notepad.exe            2496   1756      1     43 2013-01-30 15:51:54
. 0x89D1D630:kl.exe                  404   1756      1     12 2013-01-30 15:59:33
. 0x897D8158:SbieCtrl.exe            420   1756      3     74 2013-01-30 14:31:19
. 0x8977F020:cmd.exe                2556   1756      1     33 2013-01-30 14:31:49
.. 0x89D04930:office.exe             612   2556      1     42 2013-02-02 17:56:51
... 0x896B4020:dwwin.exe            1064    612      4    145 2013-02-02 17:56:51
. 0x897D37D0:ctfmon.exe              480   1756      1    115 2013-01-30 14:31:19
. 0x89714DA0:regedit.exe            3688   1756      1     53 2013-02-02 17:56:21
. 0x899FF758:jusched.exe             252   1756      1     41 2013-01-30 14:31:18
. 0x89A4F6A8:vmtoolsd.exe            244   1756      6    248 2013-01-30 14:31:18
. 0x89721AE0:DumpIt.exe             2868   1756      1     25 2013-02-02 17:57:44
 0x89D50A48:svchost.exe             3316   3292      7    216 2013-01-30 14:56:18
 0x897E04C0:svchost.exe              176   2024      2   1246 2013-01-30 14:31:17
```

- ✓ This process list can be quickly obtained by parsing a Kernel double chained list. Nevertheless, **this list can be altered by malware, such as Rootkits**, which therefore hide themselves from common system tools.

- ✓ **A deep research can** then **be achieved**, which consist in **parsing the whole memory dump to locate EPROCESS structures**. These Kernel structures do exist for each process, no matter what the double chained list [known as Process Control Block] is.

- ✓ **A process listed in a PSCAN and not in a PSLIST often indicate a threat** [mostly permitted via API Hooking].

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- ✓ The **PSCAN is longer but may reveal hidden code.**

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>volatility psscan -f WINFORENSICS-20130130-160046
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.0
 Offset     Name                 PID    PPID   PDB        Time created            Time exited
---------- -------------------- ------ ------ ---------- ----------------------- -----------------------
0x06372a60 0, 0`→D┌V╪ä◄è+    3243910601 298907407 0x02b223c0                       -
0x07200ba0 wuauclt.exe          3316   1072 0x0c580640 2013-01-30 11:08:08      2013-01-30 11:13:12
0x0753a020 wuauclt.exe          3808   1072 0x0c580220 2013-01-30 10:15:08      2013-01-30 10:20:11
0x0757e300 wmiadap.exe          2040   1072 0x0c580720 2013-01-30 10:36:59      2013-01-30 10:42:24
0x07c32bf0 msiexec.exe          2436    684 0x0c5809a0 2013-01-30 11:17:00      2013-01-30 11:21:56
0x07d4a020 wmiprvse.exe         3752    872 0x0c580740 2013-01-30 10:28:54      2013-01-30 10:34:48
0x07e07020 wmiadap.exe          2340   1072 0x0c580b40 2013-01-30 11:19:50      2013-01-30 11:22:12
0x07e076b0 unlodctr.exe         1648   3248 0x0c580ba0 2013-01-30 11:19:45      2013-01-30 11:19:45
0x08123610 msiexec.exe          3248   2436 0x0c5809c0 2013-01-30 11:17:02      2013-01-30 11:19:49
0x089d8720 mscorsvw.exe         1732   3688 0x0c580c60 2013-01-30 10:35:29      2013-01-30 10:35:37
0x08b84cd0 wmiprvse.exe         2620    872 0x0c580b60 2013-01-30 11:18:51
0x08c2ca60 mscorsvw.exe          564    684 0x0c5807c0 2013-01-30 10:31:12      2013-01-30 11:22:07
0x09747da0 DumpIt.exe           3248   1756 0x0c5c03a0 2013-01-30 16:00:46
0x0977d760 alg.exe              1224    680 0x0c5c0260 2013-01-30 14:31:41
0x0977f020 cmd.exe              2556   1756 0x0c5c01e0 2013-01-30 14:31:49
0x09785020 hxdef100.exe         2576    680 0x0c5c0280 2013-01-30 15:58:32
0x097d37d0 ctfmon.exe            480   1756 0x0c5c0380 2013-01-30 14:31:19
0x097d8158 SbieCtrl.exe          420   1756 0x0c5c0360 2013-01-30 14:31:19
0x097e04c0 svchost.exe           176   2024 0x0c5c0100 2013-01-30 14:31:17
0x097e3950 svchost.exe          1840    680 0x0c5c0240 2013-01-30 14:31:12
0x097f8c78 svchost.exe          1152    680 0x0c5c0160 2013-01-30 14:30:53
0x098c77d8 svchost.exe          1236    680 0x0c5c0180 2013-01-30 14:30:54
0x098ce020 svchost.exe           960    680 0x0c5c0120 2013-01-30 14:30:47
0x0993e788 lsass.exe             692    636 0x0c5c00a0 2013-01-30 14:30:45
0x0995c888 csrss.exe             604    540 0x0c5c0040 2013-01-30 14:30:43
0x099fc020 svchost.exe           876    680 0x0c5c00e0 2013-01-30 14:30:47
0x099ff758 jusched.exe           252   1756 0x0c5c0320 2013-01-30 14:31:18
0x09a4f6a8 vmtoolsd.exe          244   1756 0x0c5c0300 2013-01-30 14:31:18
0x09a4fda0 SbieSvc.exe           216    680 0x0c5c02a0 2013-01-30 14:31:18
0x09a61740 explorer.exe         1756   1716 0x0c5c0200 2013-01-30 14:31:08
0x09aa7020 winlogon.exe          636    540 0x0c5c0060 2013-01-30 14:30:43
0x09aa9020 services.exe          680    636 0x0c5c0080 2013-01-30 14:30:45
0x09b257d0 spoolsv.exe          1440    680 0x0c5c01a0 2013-01-30 14:30:55
0x09b2d508 svchost.exe          1076    680 0x0c5c0140 2013-01-30 14:30:49
0x09b6d7b0 wuauclt.exe          2056   1076 0x0c5c01c0 2013-01-30 14:32:36
0x09b76020 vmtoolsd.exe          552    680 0x0c5c03c0 2013-01-30 14:31:20
0x09bd2878 jqs.exe              2004    680 0x0c5c0220 2013-01-30 14:31:16
0x09bf4768 vmacthlp.exe          848    680 0x0c5c00c0 2013-01-30 14:30:46
0x09d1a020 notepad.exe          2496   1756 0x0c5c02c0 2013-01-30 15:51:54
0x09d1d630 kl.exe                404   1756 0x0c5c03e0 2013-01-30 15:59:33
0x09d21da0 svchost.exe          3704    680 0x0c5c0340 2013-01-30 15:51:00
0x09d50a48 svchost.exe          3316   3292 0x0c5c02e0 2013-01-30 14:56:18
0x09d77020 smss.exe              540      4 0x0c5c0020 2013-01-30 14:30:41
0x09e43830 System                  4      0 0x00347000
```

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- ✓ **Similarly**, you can find processes which attempt to hide themselves on various process listings through the **PSXVIEW command**:

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py psxview -f WINFORENSICS
-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Offset(P)  Name                    PID pslist psscan thrdproc pspcdid csrss
---------- -------------------- ------ ------ ------ -------- ------- -----
0x09bc0900 jqs.exe                1620 True   True   False    True    True
0x09a78380 cmd.exe                2112 True   True   False    True    True
0x09718188 explorer.exe            916 True   True   False    True    True
0x099a2da0 winlogon.exe            636 True   True   False    True    True
0x09caa020 csrss.exe               612 True   True   False    True    False
0x09bd3518 vmacthlp.exe            848 True   True   False    True    True
0x095c5a20 svchost.exe            3036 True   True   False    True    True
0x09af4818 svchost.exe             944 True   True   False    True    True
0x09450280 DumpIt.exe             2784 True   True   False    True    True
0x09c95a20 smss.exe                540 True   True   False    True    False
0x09e43830 System                    4 True   True   False    True    False
0x09371020 svchost.exe            3896 True   True   False    True    True
0x09339c88 CaptureBAT.exe          516 True   True   False    True    False
0x09652430 cmd.exe                3856 True   True   False    True    True
0x09b6a430 SbieCtrl.exe           1696 True   True   False    True    True
0x09d00808 svchost.exe             864 True   True   False    True    True
0x09844da0 ctfmon.exe             1704 True   True   False    True    True
0x098d4020 vmtoolsd.exe           1776 True   True   False    True    True
0x09480848 mspaint.exe            2864 True   True   False    True    False
0x09478270 netstat.exe            2668 True   True   False    True    False
0x0945a128 mspaint.exe             348 True   True   False    True    False
0x09911020 lsass.exe               692 True   True   False    True    True
0x09ad1768 regedit.exe            4036 True   True   False    True    False
0x09350da0 svchost.exe            3264 True   True   False    True    True
0x095d8020 wmiprvse.exe            352 True   True   False    True    False
0x09bdf020 services.exe            680 True   True   False    True    True
0x098de448 svchost.exe            1548 True   True   False    True    True
0x096fa020 mspaint.exe            3980 True   True   False    True    False
0x0937a568 mspaint.exe             860 True   True   False    True    False
0x09bca5d0 svchost.exe            1228 True   True   False    True    True
0x093276f8 netstat.exe            3424 True   True   False    True    False
0x0970a220 vmtoolsd.exe           1660 True   True   False    True    True
0x09719258 jusched.exe            1688 True   True   False    True    True
0x09b888a0 wuauclt.exe            1520 True   True   False    True    True
0x093662a0 regedit.exe            2436 True   True   False    True    False
0x09370d08 mspaint.exe            3984 True   True   False    True    False
0x098888e0 alg.exe                2044 True   True   False    True    True
0x095e9350 wmiprvse.exe           3748 True   True   False    True    False
0x0988c3a0 svchost.exe            1180 True   True   False    True    True
0x09acd7f0 notepad.exe            4056 True   True   False    True    False
0x098e1020 Fac26122012.exe         276 True   True   False    True    False
0x0945f020 _1.exe                 2380 True   True   False    True    False
0x0945f7b0 notepad.exe            2584 True   True   False    True    False
0x095bbda0 Fac26122012.exe        1556 True   True   False    True    False
```

- ✓ **Several Volatility commands works in this way and offer a SCAN variant to try to recognize specific structures in memory, thus revealing hidden sockets and connections for example**.

- ✓ For sure you may have [often quickly identified] false positives, as some process may gave been legitimately closed for example, thus letting some orphan EPROCESS data structures in RAM.

- ✓ Nevertheless, some process may still be really running, and therefore instantaneously reveal a serious security issue.

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- ✓ **Established and recently closed connexions** are also **quickly revealed**.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py connections -f WINFORENSICS-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXP
SP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Offset(V)  Local Address             Remote Address            Pid
---------- ------------------------ ------------------------ ------
0x89487688 192.168.72.129:1330      46.105.8.216:4444         3896
0x895c1ac8 127.0.0.1:5152           127.0.0.1:1201            1620
0x896e0d68 192.168.72.129:1189      65.55.11.179:80            916
```

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py connscan -f WINFORENSICS-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXPSP3
x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Offset(P)  Local Address             Remote Address            Pid
---------- ------------------------ ------------------------ ---
0x06021a48 192.168.72.129:1658      65.52.103.94:80           3340
0x07223768 192.168.72.129:1666      88.221.14.123:80          3340
0x0733b130 127.0.0.1:5152           127.0.0.1:1657            3904
0x09354230 192.168.72.129:1212      66.235.132.118:80         3760
0x09359e68 192.168.72.129:1214      66.235.132.118:80         3760
0x0935aca8 192.168.72.129:1213      2.19.77.190:80            3760
0x09487688 192.168.72.129:1330      46.105.8.216:4444         3896
0x095c1ac8 127.0.0.1:5152           127.0.0.1:1201            1620
0x096e0d68 192.168.72.129:1189      65.55.11.179:80           916
```

- ✓ And you can also **easily explore the registry**, which is widely used by malcode writers for various purpose [e.g. to permit their code to survive reboot].

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>volatility printkey -K "So
ftware\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run" -f WINFORENSICS-20130202-175744.raw
 --profile=WinXPSP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.0
Legend: (S) = Stable   (V) = Volatile

----------------------------
Registry: \Device\HarddiskVolume1\Documents and Settings\NetworkService\NTUSER.D
AT
Key name: Run (S)
Last updated: 2011-04-07 15:13:35

Subkeys:

Values:
----------------------------
Registry: \Device\HarddiskVolume1\Documents and Settings\Administrator\NTUSER.DA
T
Key name: Run (S)
Last updated: 2013-01-30 13:53:31

Subkeys:

Values:
REG_SZ         SandboxieControl : (S) "C:\Program Files\Sandboxie\SbieCtrl.exe"
REG_SZ         ctfmon.exe       : (S) C:\WINDOWS\system32\ctfmon.exe
REG_EXPAND_SZ Office2014       : (S) C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Appl
ication Data\Office2014\office.exe
----------------------------
Registry: \Device\HarddiskVolume1\Documents and Settings\LocalService\NTUSER.DAT

Key name: Run (S)
Last updated: 2011-04-07 15:13:37
```

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- ✓ **As well querying loaded drivers** [often used by Rootkits].

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>volatility modules -f WINFORENSICS-20130202-175744.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.0
Offset(V)  File                                           Base       Size     Name
0x89e833a8 \WINDOWS\system32\ntkrnlpa.exe                0x00804d7000 0x1f9480 ntoskrnl.exe
0x89e83340 \WINDOWS\system32\hal.dll                     0x00806d1000 0x020300 hal.dll
0x89e832d8 \WINDOWS\system32\KDCOM.DLL                   0x00ba5a8000 0x002000 kdcom.dll
0x89e83268 \WINDOWS\system32\BOOTVID.dll                 0x00ba4b8000 0x003000 BOOTVID.dll
0x89e83200 ACPI.sys                                      0x00b9f79000 0x02e000 ACPI.sys
0x89e83190 \WINDOWS\system32\DRIVERS\WMILIB.SYS          0x00ba5aa000 0x002000 WMILIB.SYS
```

```
0x899c0008 \??\C:\Program Files\Common Files\VMware\Drivers\memctl\vmmemctl.sys 0x00b13b2000 0x003000
.sys
0x89b1f298 \SystemRoot\system32\drivers\npf.sys                0x00ba478000 0x007000 npf.sys
0x89bd65f8 \??\C:\Program Files\Sandboxie\SbieDrv.sys          0x00b0f40000 0x01e000 SbieDrv.sys
0x899d3630 \SystemRoot\system32\DRIVERS\srv.sys                0x00b0ec0000 0x058000 srv.sys
0x8979c0b8 \SystemRoot\System32\Drivers\HTTP.sys               0x00b0b0f000 0x041000 HTTP.sys
0x89b933a8 \SystemRoot\system32\DRIVERS\USBSTOR.SYS            0x00ba468000 0x007000 USBSTOR.SYS
0x89c234f8 \SystemRoot\system32\drivers\kmixer.sys             0x00b09cc000 0x02b000 kmixer.sys
0x8973b290 \??\E:\malcode\Hacker Defender\hxdef100r\hxdefdrv.sys 0x00ba727000 0x001000 hxdefdrv.sys
0x89a83768 \??\C:\WINDOWS\system32\Drivers\DumpIt.sys          0x00b101e000 0x00c000 DumpIt.sys
```

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- ✓ **You can even parse loaded libraries to detect API Hooking**, also widely used by Rootkits. Here a trampoline has been placed in the wbemcomm DLL [to hook certain WMI queries].

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py apihooks -f WINFORENSIC
S-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
**************************************************************************
Hook mode: Usermode
Hook type: Inline/Trampoline
Process: 1076 (svchost.exe)
Victim module: wbemcomn.dll (0x75290000 - 0x752c7000)
Function: wbemcomn.dll!?Unaccess@CSafeArray@@QAEJXZ at 0x752b0948
Hook address: 0x7712514a
Hooking module: OLEAUT32.dll

Disassembly(0):
0x752b0948 ff7120            PUSH DWORD [ECX+0x20]
0x752b094b ff1514132975      CALL DWORD [0x752913l4]
0x752b0951 c3                RET
0x752b0952 90                NOP
0x752b0953 90                NOP
0x752b0954 90                NOP
0x752b0955 90                NOP
0x752b0956 90                NOP
0x752b0957 ff31              PUSH DWORD [ECX]
0x752b0959 ff15f0122975      CALL DWORD [0x752912f0]
0x752b095f c3                RET
```

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- ✓ **You can extract suspicious file** [through PID or offset] from the memory dump to carry out further investigation.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>volatility procexedump -o 0x09d
id630 -f WINFORENSICS-20130130-160046.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86 --dump-dir=dump
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.0
************************************************************************
Dumping kl.exe, pid:    404 output: executable.404.exe
```

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>strings dump/executable.404.exe
 | more

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c:\temp\
<pre>Keyloger started:
<br>*****************<br><br>
[BKSP]
[TAB]
[CLEAR]
[ENTER]<br>
[SHIFT]
[CTRL]
[ALT]
[ALTGR]
[PAUSE]
[CAPSLOCK]
[ESC]
[PGUP]
[PGDN]
[END]
[HOME]
[ARROW_LEFT]
[ARROW_UP]
[ARROW_RIGHT]
[ARROW_DOWN]
[SNAP]
[INSERT]
[DEL]
[LWIN]
[RWIN]
```

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- ✓ And **quickly identify a Key Logger**.

```
00401559  .  66:C745 A6 0100      MOV WORD PTR SS:[EBP-5A],1
0040155F  >  66:817D A6 FF00      CMP WORD PTR SS:[EBP-5A],0FF
00401565  .^ 7F E3                JG SHORT executab.0040154A
00401567  .  0FBF45 A6            MOVSX EAX,WORD PTR SS:[EBP-5A]
0040156B  .  890424               MOV DWORD PTR SS:[ESP],EAX                KERNEL32.BaseThreadInitThunk
0040156E  .  E8 4D120000          CALL <JMP.&USER32.GetAsyncKeyState>       GetAsyncKeyState
00401573  .  83EC 04              SUB ESP,4
00401576  .  66:3D 0180           CMP AX,8001
0040157A  .v 0F85 DD0B0000        JNZ executab.0040215D
00401580  .  C74424 04 77404000   MOV DWORD PTR SS:[ESP+4],executab.00404077  ASCII "a+"
00401588  .  C70424 00404000      MOV DWORD PTR SS:[ESP],executab.00404000   ASCII "c:\temp\index.html"
0040158F  .  E8 AC110000          CALL <JMP.&msvcrt.fopen>                  fopen
00401594  .  8945 A0              MOV [LOCAL.24],EAX                        KERNEL32.BaseThreadInitThunk
00401597  .  837D A0 00           CMP [LOCAL.24],0
0040159B  .v 75 0C                JNZ SHORT executab.004015A9
0040159D  .  C745 9C 01000000     MOV [LOCAL.25],1
004015A4  .v E9 C20B0000          JMP executab.0040216B
```

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- ✓ In fact, **you can enumerate all opened files and even loaded DLL within a specific process… And drop them back on disk for investigation.**

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\Volatility-Standalone-2.0>volatility dlllist -p 2576 -f W
INFORENSICS-20130130-160046.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.0
************************************************************************
hxdef100.exe pid:   2576
Command line : "E:\malcode\Hacker Defender\hxdef100r\hxdef100.exe"
Service Pack 3

Base             Size             Path
0x00400000       0x098000         E:\malcode\Hacker Defender\hxdef100r\hxdef100.exe
0x7c900000       0x0b2000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\ntdll.dll
0x7c800000       0x0f6000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\kernel32.dll
0x7e410000       0x091000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\user32.dll
0x77f10000       0x049000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\GDI32.dll
0x77dd0000       0x09b000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\advapi32.dll
0x77e70000       0x093000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\RPCRT4.dll
0x77fe0000       0x011000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\Secur32.dll
0x77120000       0x08b000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\oleaut32.dll
0x77c10000       0x058000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\msvcrt.dll
0x774e0000       0x13e000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\ole32.dll
0x76390000       0x01d000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\IMM32.DLL
0x71ab0000       0x017000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\ws2_32.dll
0x71aa0000       0x008000         C:\WINDOWS\system32\WS2HELP.dll
```

- ✓ The **dumped process may not be runable**, **but** would still offer you a quite easy to understand code [at least **you don't have anymore to unpack it**]. For example: strings dumpedfile | egrep -i 'http|ftp|irc|\.exe'

- ✓ **Even more powerful, you can rely on the MALFIND command to perform advanced search** using Regex, Unicode or ANSI strings...

- ✓ **And** most importantly, it permits t**o quickly find hidden or injected code** through the VAD tree inspection [very useful in case of DLL which may have been unlinked from the LDR lists by the malcode loader in order to avoid its detection].

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- ✓ Here the **MALFIND** command r**eveals that an arbitrary code was injected into the CRSS**.exe system process.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py malfind -f WINFORENSICS
-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86 --dump-dir dump
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Process: csrss.exe Pid: 612 Address: 0x7f6f0000
Vad Tag: Vad  Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Flags: Protection: 6

0x7f6f0000  c8 00 00 00 bf 01 00 00 ff ee ff ee 08 70 00 00    .............p..
0x7f6f0010  08 00 00 00 00 fe 00 00 00 00 10 00 00 20 00 00    ................
0x7f6f0020  00 02 00 00 00 20 00 00 8d 01 00 00 ff ef fd 7f    ................
0x7f6f0030  03 00 08 06 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00    ................

0x7f6f0000 c8000000          ENTER 0x0, 0x0
0x7f6f0004 bf010000ff        MOV EDI, 0xff000001
0x7f6f0009 ee                OUT DX, AL
0x7f6f000a ff                DB 0xff
0x7f6f000b ee                OUT DX, AL
0x7f6f000c 087000            OR [EAX+0x0], DH
0x7f6f000f 0008              ADD [EAX], CL
0x7f6f0011 0000              ADD [EAX], AL
0x7f6f0013 0000              ADD [EAX], AL
0x7f6f0015 fe00              INC BYTE [EAX]
0x7f6f0017 0000              ADD [EAX], AL
```

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- ✓ We can quick **parse MALFIND results to bring out running processes which were infected** by such code injection.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>egrep -i *.exe log_malfind.txt
Process: csrss.exe Pid: 612 Address: 0x7f6f0000
Vad Tag: Vad  Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: winlogon.exe Pid: 636 Address: 0x16e0000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: SbieSvc.exe Pid: 1668 Address: 0x530000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: explorer.exe Pid: 916 Address: 0x2940000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: explorer.exe Pid: 916 Address: 0x3af0000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: explorer.exe Pid: 916 Address: 0x3b40000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: explorer.exe Pid: 916 Address: 0x4290000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: SbieCtrl.exe Pid: 1696 Address: 0x9d0000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: svchost.exe Pid: 3264 Address: 0xc80000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Process: svchost.exe Pid: 3896 Address: 0xc80000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
```

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- ✓ Even powerful **rootkits quickly draw your attention**.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py malfind -f WINFORENSICS
-20130202-175744.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Process: smss.exe Pid: 540 Address: 0x7ffa0000
Vad Tag: VadS Protection: PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE
Flags: CommitCharge: 5, MemCommit: 1, PrivateMemory: 1, Protection: 6

0x7ffa0000  e8 00 00 00 00 58 2d be 5d 40 00 c3 5f 2e 2d 3d    .....X-.]@.._.-=
0x7ffa0010  5b 48 61 63 6b 65 72 20 44 65 66 65 6e 64 65 72    [Hacker.Defender
0x7ffa0020  5d 3d 2d 2e 5f 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 04 00 00    ]=-._...........
0x7ffa0030  00 6b 65 72 6e 65 6c 33 32 2e 64 6c 6c 00 53 65    .kernel32.dll.Se

0x7ffa0000 e800000000        CALL 0x7ffa0005
0x7ffa0005 58                POP EAX
0x7ffa0006 2dbe5d4000        SUB EAX, 0x405dbe
0x7ffa000b c3                RET
0x7ffa000c 5f                POP EDI
0x7ffa000d 2e2d3d5b4861      SUB EAX, 0x61485b3d
0x7ffa0013 636b65            ARPL [EBX+0x65], BP
0x7ffa0016 7220              JB 0x7ffa0038
0x7ffa0018 44                INC ESP
0x7ffa0019 6566656e          OUTS DX, BYTE [GS:ESI]
0x7ffa001d 6465725d          JB 0x7ffa007e
```

- ✓ We can also **use the Yara malware identification feature to directly scan for patterns inside a PID or within a specific memory segment**. Here we see that an injected code inside the SVCHOST process established a connection to dexter.servequake.com:4444 via HTTP and download the 1234567890.functions resource.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py yarascan -f WINFORENSIC
S-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86 --dump-dir dump --yara-rules="http:/
/" -p 3896
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Rule: r1
Owner: Process svchost.exe Pid 3896
0x001af050  68 74 74 70 3a 2f 2f 64 65 78 74 65 72 2e 73 65   http://dexter.se
0x001af060  72 76 65 71 75 61 6b 65 2e 63 6f 6d 3a 34 34 34   rvequake.com:444
0x001af070  34 2f 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 30 2e 66 75 6e   4/1234567890.fun
0x001af080  63 74 69 6f 6e 73 00 00 04 00 08 00 12 01 0a 00   ctions..........
Rule: r1
Owner: Process svchost.exe Pid 3896
0x77eb5f65  68 74 74 70 3a 2f 2f 00 90 90 90 53 00 79 00 73   http://....S.y.s
0x77eb5f75  00 74 00 65 00 6d 00 5c 00 43 00 75 00 72 00 72   .t.e.m.\.C.u.r.r
0x77eb5f85  00 65 00 6e 00 74 00 63 00 6f 00 6e 00 74 00 72   .e.n.t.c.o.n.t.r
0x77eb5f95  00 6f 00 6c 00 73 00 65 00 74 00 5c 00 43 00 6f   .o.l.s.e.t.\.C.o
Rule: r1
Owner: Process svchost.exe Pid 3896
0x78207db7  68 74 74 70 3a 2f 2f 77 77 77 2e 6d 69 63 72 6f   http://www.micro
0x78207dc7  73 6f 66 74 2e 63 6f 6d 2f 73 63 68 65 6d 61 73   soft.com/schemas
0x78207dd7  2f 69 65 38 74 6c 64 6c 69 73 74 64 65 73 63 72   /ie8tldlistdescr
0x78207de7  69 70 74 69 6f 6e 2f 31 2e 30 22 3e 0d 0a 20 20   iption/1.0">....
```

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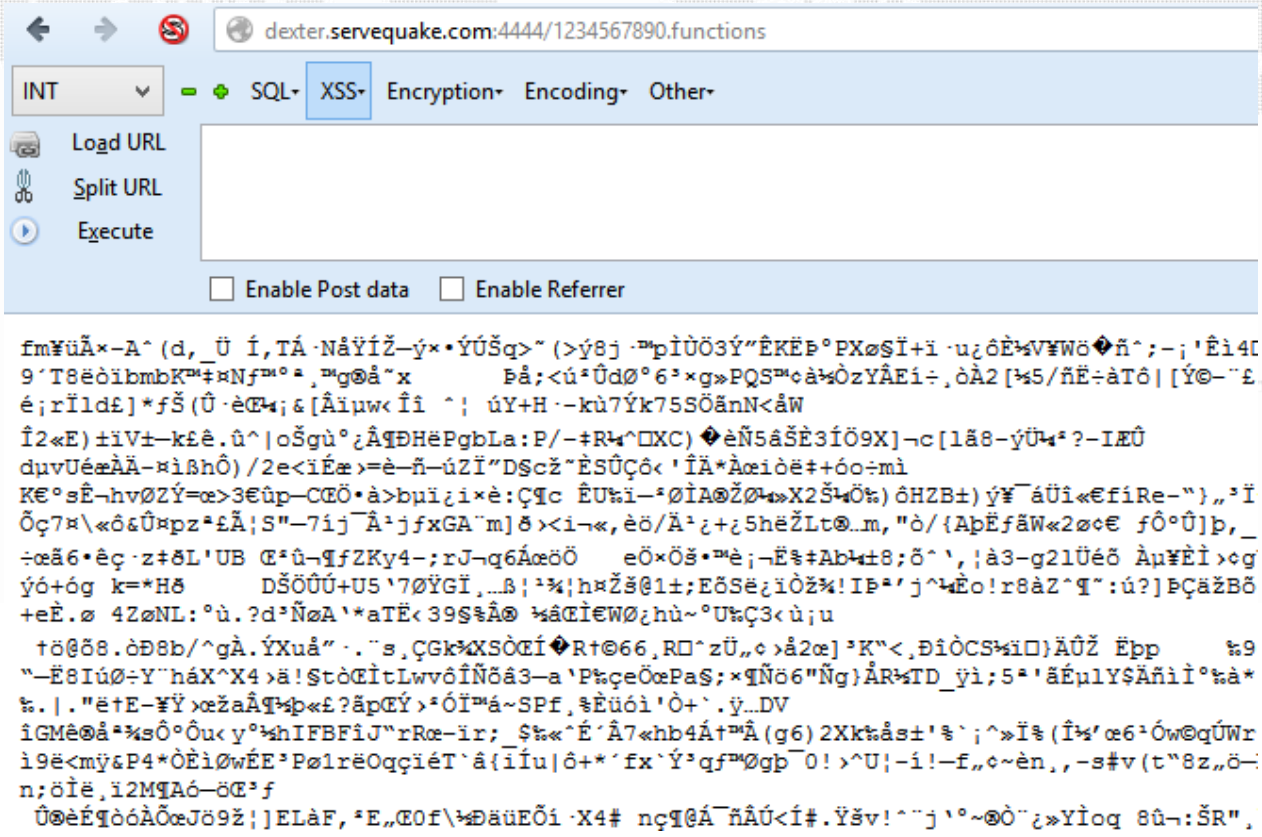
- ✓ For sure, the RAT payload is encrypted, but **in a few minutes you identified the threat and dig quite deeply** into the real problem.



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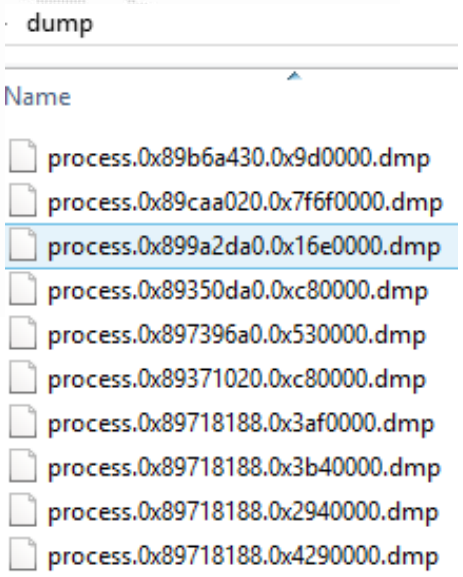
- ✓ You can **now extract the guilty binary code along with the related memory segments and begin a classical malware analysis**.

```
C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>python vol.py procexedump -f WINFOREN
SICS-20130130-141408.raw --profile=WinXPSP3x86 --dump-dir dump -p 3896
Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.1
Process(V) ImageBase  Name                 Result
---------- ---------- -------------------- ------
0x89371020 0x01000000 svchost.exe          OK: executable.3896.exe

C:\Users\FRoGito\Tools\DFIR\volatility-2.1>
```



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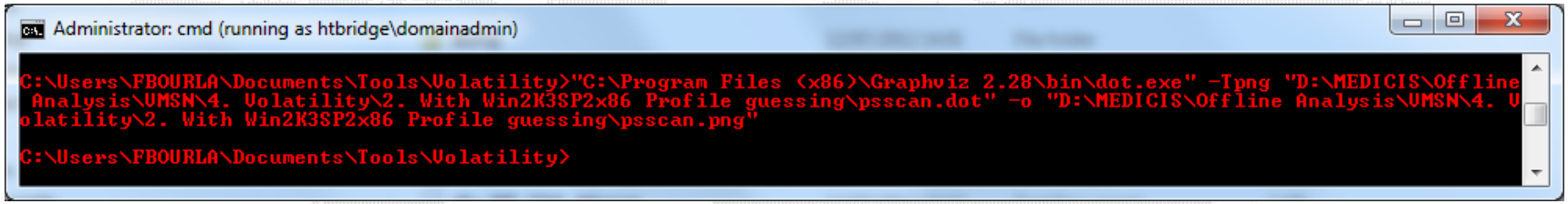
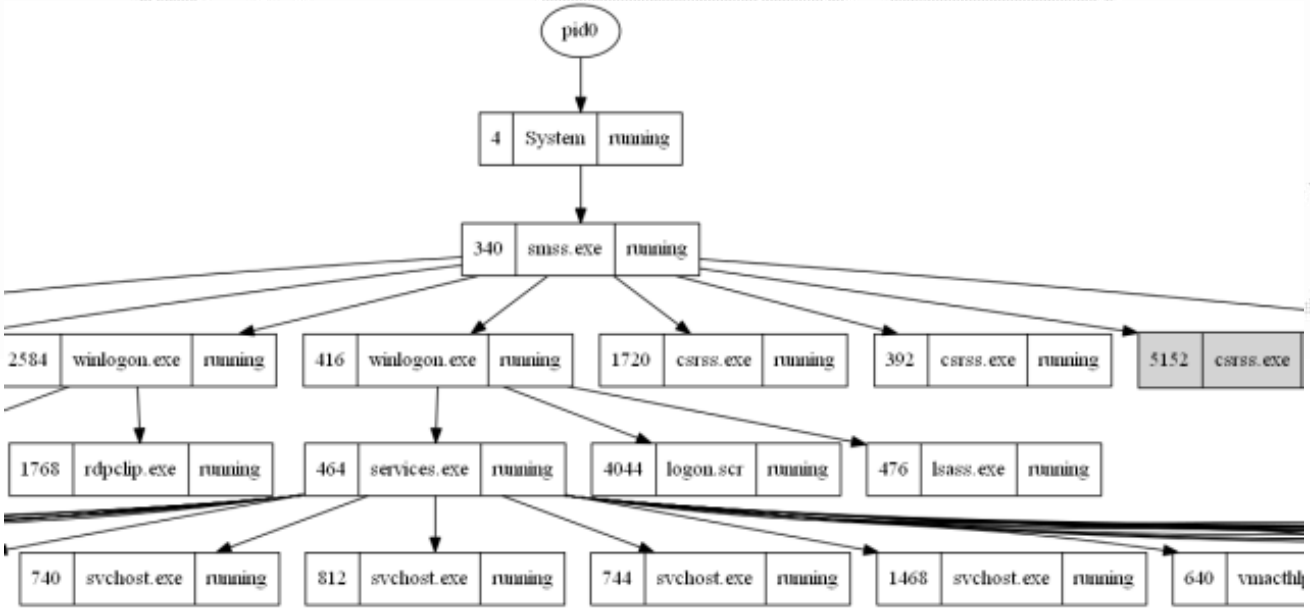
- ✓ And if you like high-level view for your incident report, why not **extend Volatility with Graphviz to make something more visual**?





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- ✓ That's it. I hope I have piqued your interest with one of the most important Forensics innovations of those last few years. The whole demo is attached here.


Package

- ✓ To learn more:
  SANS Forensics 610 Training Course [GREM]
  https://www.volatilesystems.com/default/volatility
  http://www.microsoft.com/whdc/system/platform/firmware/PECOFF.mspx
  http://www.ualberta.ca/CNS/RESEARCH/LinuxClusters/mem.html
  http://www.tenouk.com/visualcplusmfc/visualcplusmfc20.html

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- ✓ I hope I have achieved my **goal of opening the doors to a fascinating world** which could easily allow security analysts to save lots of time during their recurrent duties…
- ✓ …And that you will **see your own system [and the ones you asses] from a different angle**.
- ✓ …And that you will now **have the reflex of dumping the whole memory in case of incident**.
- ✓ …And that you will **reconsider security when the physical aspect in concerned**. :-]

exit (0);

Your questions are always welcome!

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