Windows Memory Analysis Using Volatility

- 1. Run vol.py -f zeus.vmem imageinfo using volatility's plugin "imageinfo." What is the suggested type of OS of zeus.vmem and when was the sample was collected? Provide screenshots as your supporting data.
- ⇒ suggested type of OS: WINXPSP2X86 / WINXPSP3X86
- ⇒ collected on: 2010-08-15 19:17:56 or 15:17:56

Results of imageinfo:

2. Run *vol.py –f zeus.vmem pslist* and *vol.py –f zeus.vmem psscan*.

Which one walks through the doubly-linked list of EPROCESS pointed by PsActiveProcessHead?

\Rightarrow pslist

- To enumerate processes using pool tag scanning (POOL HEADER)
- does not detect hidden or unlinked processes

Which one does not rely on the doubly-list of EPROCESS and can detect unlinked (hidden) processes? Show the hidden processes in a screenshot.

\Rightarrow psscan

- can find terminated/inactive processes
- can find processes that have been hidden or unlinked by a rootkit!

Psscan results:



Hidden processes (present in psscan but not in pslist)

**Vmip.exe [psscan pid# 1944 | offset 0x00000000069a7328]

NOTE: This Doesn't show up in a DLL scan and offset commands as suggested in volatility wiki is ineffective [ex: vol.py –f zeus.vmem psscan --offset=0x00000000069a7328]

Alternative: psxview can provide more metrics on the suspected malware

NOTE: Vmip.exe returns nearly all falses [this indicates that most processes are missing] See image below:

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PIN nolati
                                            PID pslist psscan thrdproc pspcid csrss session deskthrd ExitTime
 x04be9/e8 VMwareTray.exe
x0211ab28 TPAutoConnSvc.e
                                                                   True
                                                                                        True
                                                                               True
                                                                                        True
 x0655fc88 VMUpgradeHelper
                                                                   True
                                                                               True
                                                                                        True
                                                                                                                     2010-08-15 19:17:56 UTC+0000
 x066f0da0 csrss.exe
x05471020 smss.exe
                                            608 True
                                                                   True
                                                                               True
                                                                                       False False
                                                                                                         False
                                           1944 False True
9x069a7328 VMip.exe
                                                                                                                    2010-08-15 19:17:56 UTC+0006
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3. Run *vol.py –f zeus.vmem connections* and *vol.py –f zeus.vmem connscan*. Do you see any active TCP connections or previous connections? Provide screenshots as your supporting data. (Note: both *connections* and *connscan* do not work for Windows Vista and later version memory image. You will use plugin *netscan* instead)

connections ⇒ vol.py –f zeus.vmem connections [no connections present]

- used to see TCP connections that were active at the time of the memory acquisition
- walks the singly-linked list of connection structures
- pointed to by a non-exported symbol in the tcpip.sys module

Results of connections [vol.py -f zeus.vmem connections]:

connscan ⇒ vol.py –f zeus.vmem connscan [2 connections present]

- Looks for TCPT OBJECT structures using pool scanning.
- Can find both active and terminated connections.

Results of connections [vol.py -f zeus.vmem connscan]:

offset	local address	remote address	pid
0x02214988	172.16.176.143.1054	193.104.41.75:80	856
0x06015ab0	0.0.0.1056	193.104.41.75:80	856

4. Run vol.py –f zeus.vmem hivelist, vol.py –f zeus.vmem hivescan, and vol.py -f zeus.vmem printkey -K "Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon".

hivelist \Rightarrow vol.py –f zeus.vmem hivelist

- Locates virtual addresses of registry hives in memory
- locates full path of the corresponding hive on disk

hivescan \Rightarrow vol.py –f zeus.vmem hivescan

- finds the physical address of register hives in memory
- works together with hivelist

printkey ⇒ vol.py -f zeus.vmem printkey -K "Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon"

- searches all hives and prints the key information
- this includes printing a key each time a hive contains it

Which plugin displays the subkeys, values, and data types contained within a specified registry key? Provide screenshots as your supporting data.

⇒ printkey

results of printkey



Which plugin shows the virtual addresses of registry hives in memory along with the full paths to the corresponding hive on disk? Provide screenshots as your supporting data.

⇒ hivelist

results of hivelist

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sansforensics@siftworkstation -> -/D/D/1/1
$ vol.py -f zeus.vmem hivelist
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Virtual Physical Name

0xeic49088 0x036dc008 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Documents and Settings\LocalService\Local Settings\Application Data\Microsoft\Windows\UsrClass.dat
0xeic41b60 0x04010b60 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Documents and Settings\LocalService\NTUSER.DAT
0xeia39638 0x02198638 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Documents and Settings\NetworkService\Local Settings\Application Data\Microsoft\Windows\UsrClass.dat
0xeia39638 0x02198808 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Documents and Settings\NetworkService\NTUSER.DAT
0xei33080 0x06070b60 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Documents and Settings\NetworkService\NTUSER.DAT
0xei533b60 0x06070b60 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Documents\NINDOWS\system32\config\software
0xei5337b60 0x06048088 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Document\NINDOWS\system32\config\software
0xei3a3680 0x06048008 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\NINDOWS\system32\config\software
0xei3a3680 0x06048008 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\NINDOWS\system32\config\software
0xei3a3680 0x061867080 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\NINDOWS\system32\config\software
0xei0a8978 0x06182498 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\NINDOWS\system32\config\system
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0xei0a8978 0x061824978 \Device\HarddiskVolumei\Documents and Settings\Administrator\NTUSER.DAT
sansforensics@siftworkstation -> -/D/D/1/1
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5. Try other plugins from the <u>Volatility Command Reference</u>, show me one or two other plugins that provide you interesting results.

dlllist \Rightarrow vol.py –f zeus.vmem dlllist

displays loaded DLLs for a process

walks doubly-linked-list for _LDR_DATA_TABLE_ENTRY pointed to by InLoadOrderModuleList each time a process uses/loads a DLL, the process is added to the dlllist

results of dlllist

handles ⇒ vol.py -f zeus.vmem handles

displays open handles in a process

files, registry keys, mutexes, named pipes, events, window stations, desktops, threads etc

