

# Automating Linux Malware Analysis Using Limon Sandbox

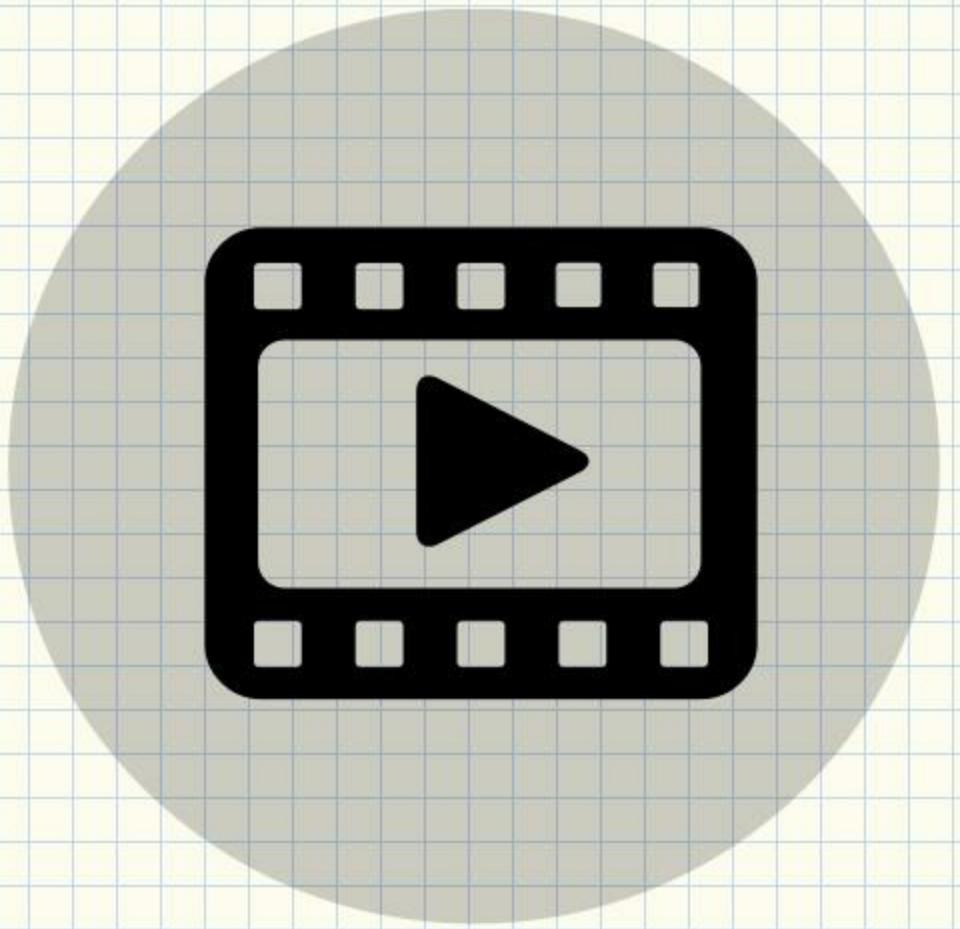
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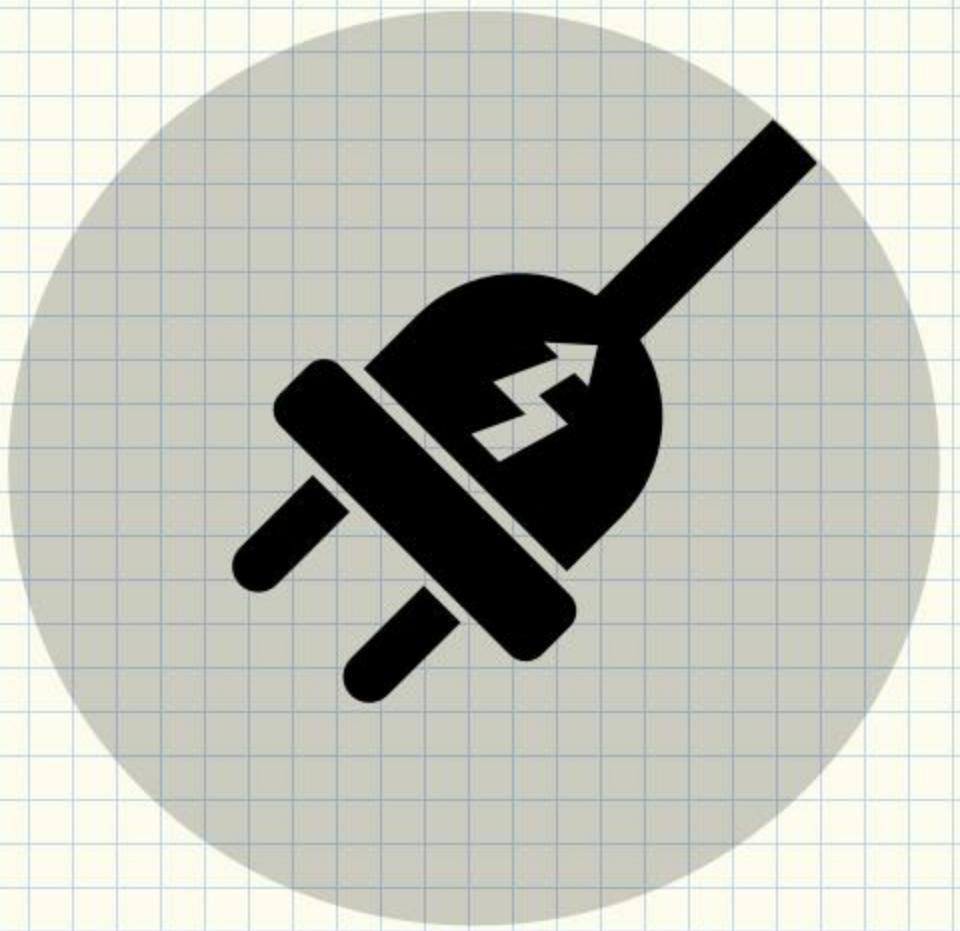


# What is Malware?

- 1 Code that is malicious
- 2 Viruses, Worms, Keyloggers, Backdoors, Rootkits

## What they do?

- 1 Disrupt computer operation
- 2 Stealing Sensitive information
- 3 Gain access to computer systems
- 4 Spy on computer users



# Why Malware Analysis?

- ⚙️ To answer questions
- ⚙️ Understand how malware functions
- ⚙️ Determine nature and purpose of the malware
- ⚙️ Identify Network Indicators
- ⚙️ Host Based Indicators
- ⚙️ Determine Persistence Mechanism



# Why Focus on Linux Malware Analysis?

- ★ Servers, mainframe computers and super computers run Linux
- ★ Linux runs on embedded systems
- ★ Smartphones run on Linux kernel
- ★ Mission critical systems run on Linux
- ★ Growing popularity makes it target



# Types of Malware Analysis

**Static  
Analysis**

Analysis without  
Executing the  
malware

**Dynamic  
Analysis**

Analysis by  
executing the  
malware

**Memory  
Analysis**

Analysis of RAM (main  
memory) after executing  
the malware

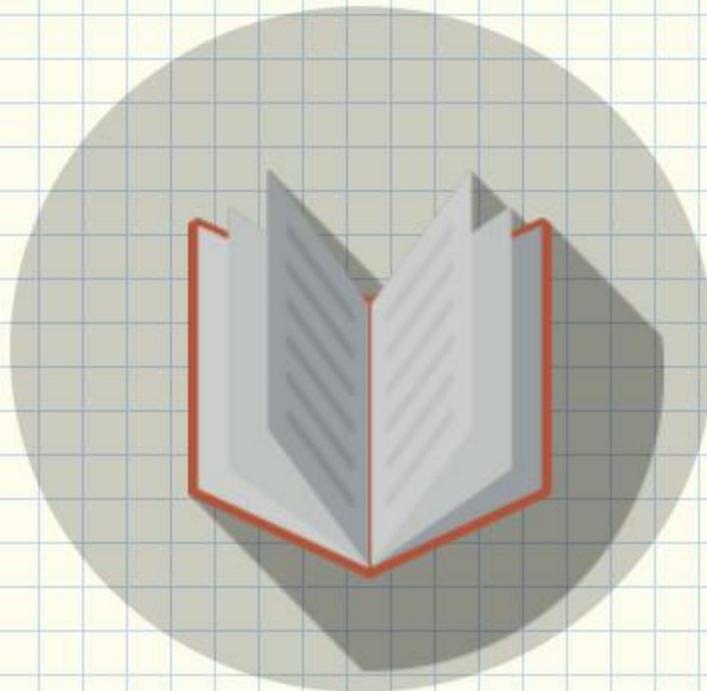
# Static Analysis

- Determine file type
- Cryptographic Hash
- Strings
- File Obfuscations (packers, cryptors)
- Submission to multi AV scanning engines
- Fuzzy Hash and comparison
- Determine ELF characteristics
- Symbols, Sections
- Disassembly



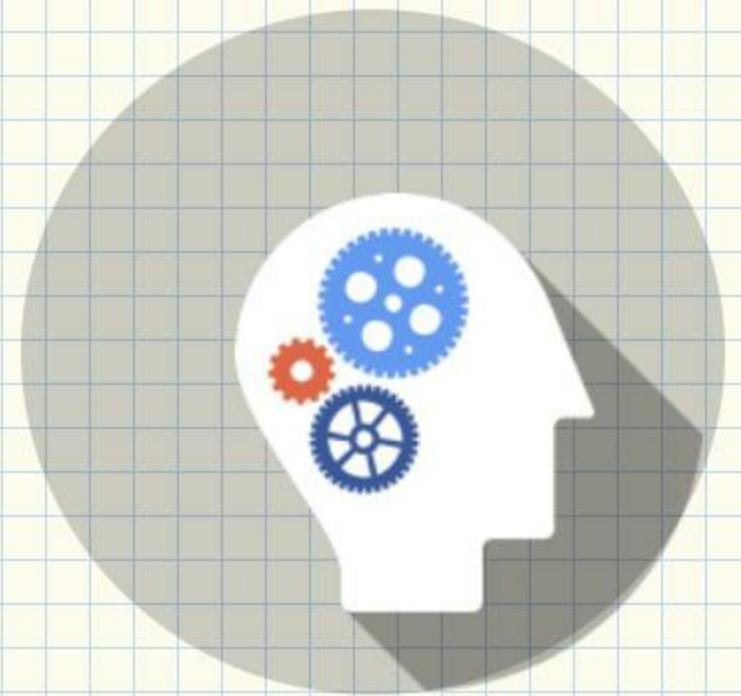
# Dynamic/Behavioural Analysis

- File system activity
- Process activity
- Network activity
- System call tracing



# Memory Analysis

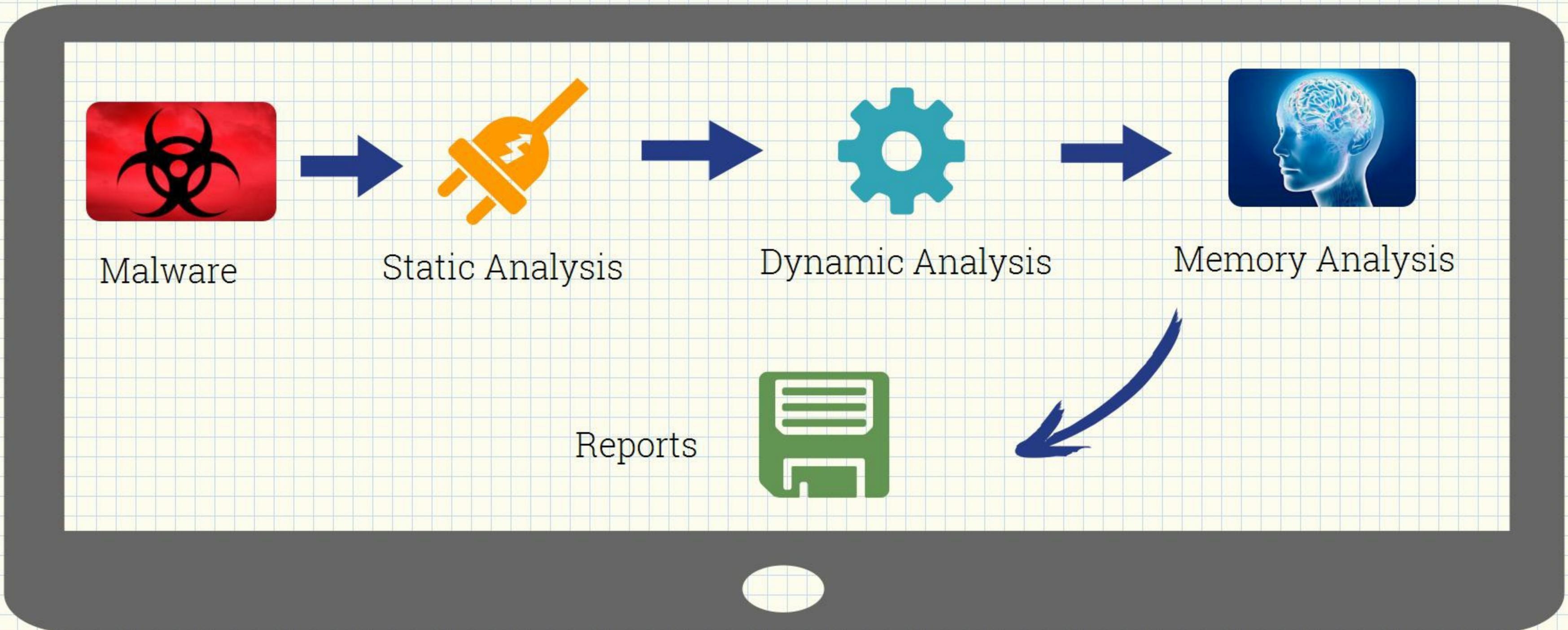
- List Running processes
- List Network Connections
- List Shared Libraries
- Kernel modules
- Detect Hooking (user and kernel mode)
- Code Injection
- Rootkit Detection
- Detect Hidden Artifacts



# What is Limon?

- ★ Sandbox for analyzing Linux malwares
- ★ Developed as a research project
- ★ For learning Linux malware analysis
- ★ Written in Python
- ★ Performs static,dynamic and memory analysis
- ★ Uses various open source tools

# Working of Limon



# Tools used by Limon

Limon relies on below tools to perform static, dynamic and memory analysis

- YARA—python

<https://github.com/plusvic/yara>

- VirusTotal Public api

<https://www.virustotal.com/en/documentation/public-api/>

- ssdeep

<http://ssdeep.sourceforge.net/>

- strings utility

<http://linux.die.net/man/1/strings>

- ldd

<http://linux.die.net/man/1/ldd>

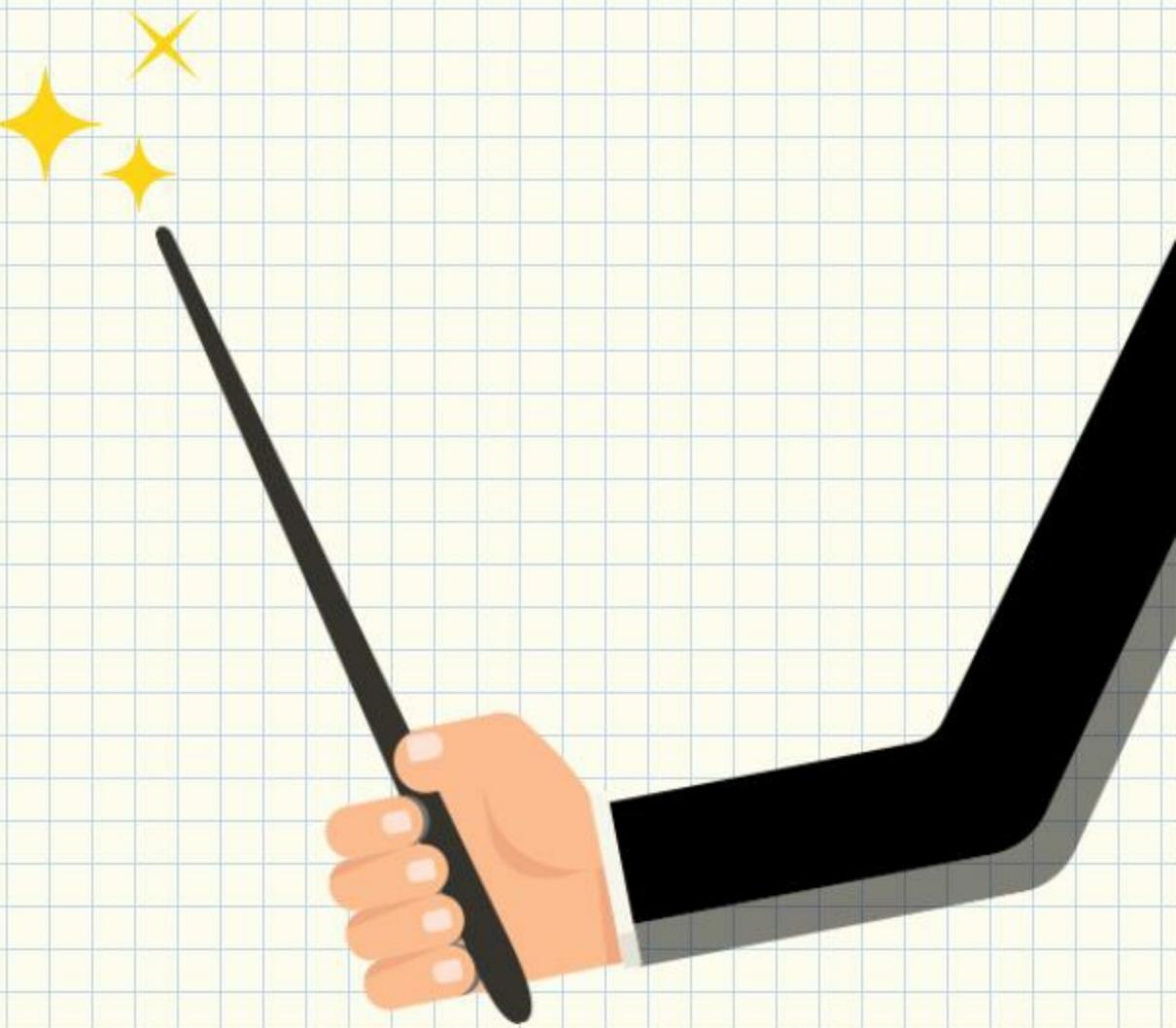
# Tools used by Limon

- **readelf**  
<https://sourceware.org/binutils/docs/binutils/readelf.html>
- **Inetsim**  
<http://www.inetsim.org/downloads.html>
- **Tcpdump**  
<http://www.tcpdump.org/>
- **Volatility memory forensics framework**  
[http://www.volatilityfoundation.org/#!releases/component\\_71401](http://www.volatilityfoundation.org/#!releases/component_71401)
- **strace**  
<http://linux.die.net/man/1/strace>
- **Sysdig**  
<http://www.sysdig.org/>

# Supported File Types:

Limon can analyse below file types (both with and without parameters)

- ✓ ELF Executable(both x86 and x86\_64)
- ✓ Perl Script
- ✓ Python script
- ✓ Shell script
- ✓ Bash script
- ✓ PHP script
- ✓ Loadable kernel module(LKM)

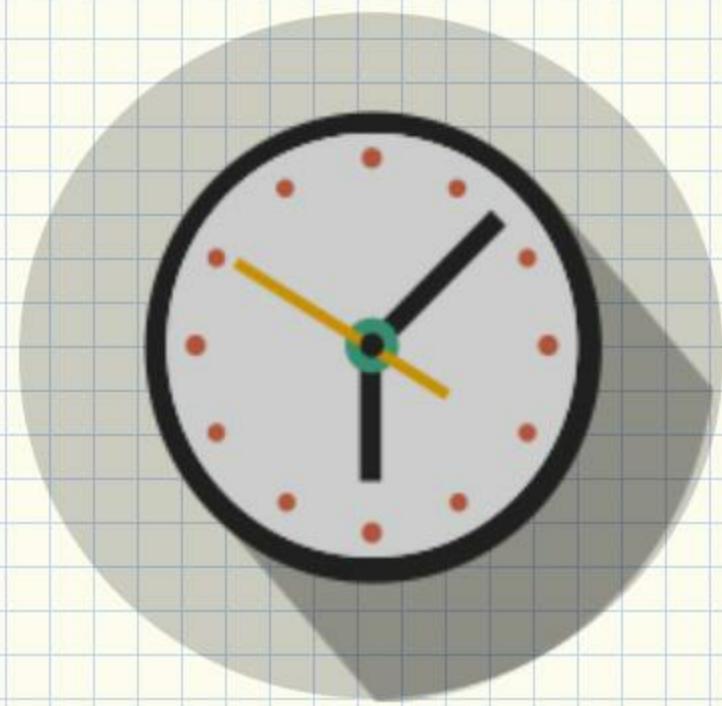


# General Features

- ◆ Can run in sandbox mode (does not allow to connect to c2)
- ◆ Can run in internet mode (connects to c2)
- ◆ Simulates all services (like dns, http and other protocols) when run in sandbox mode
- ◆ Option to run malware for specified time (default is 60 seconds)
- ◆ Captures desktop screenshot
- ◆ Reports on the malware behaviour

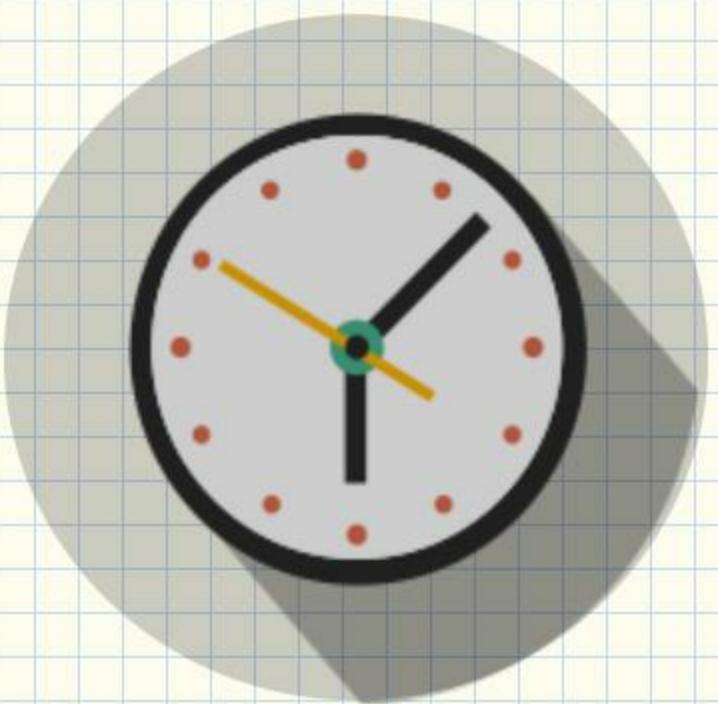
# Static Analysis Features

- ⚙ Determine File Type
- ⚙ Determine File Size
- ⚙ Determines md5 hash
- ⚙ Determines fuzzy hash(ssdeep hash)
- ⚙ Comparison of fuzzy hash with previously submitted samples to determine similar variants
- ⚙ Display ELF header Structure
- ⚙ Dumps ASCII and UNICODE strings
- ⚙ Determines packers using YARA rules



# Static Analysis Features

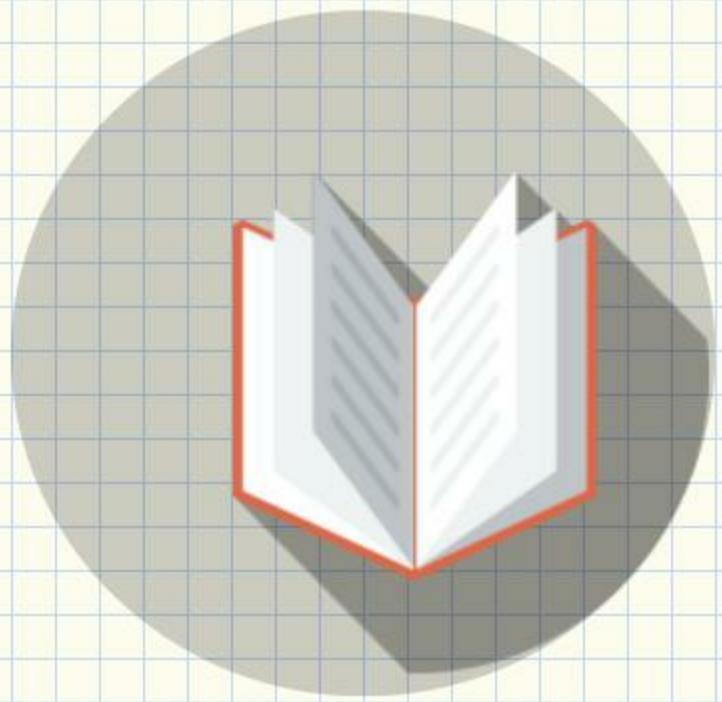
- ⚙️ Determines malware capability using YARA rules (ability to run custom YARA rules will be added soon)
- ⚙️ Performs md5 search on VirusTotal (does not submit samples)
- ⚙️ Displays dependencies of the malware (shared objects)
- ⚙️ Displays program header structures
- ⚙️ Displays section header information
- ⚙️ Displays symbol table (both static and dynamic symbols)



# Dynamic Analysis Features

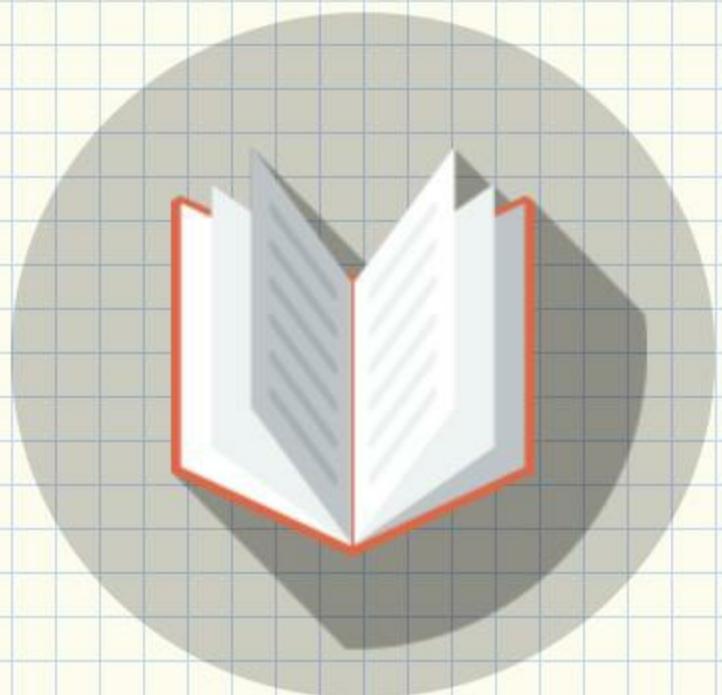
Limon gives different options for performing dynamic analysis to track activity of the malware(during execution), below are the different options

- Filtered call trace for tracing system calls related to file, process, network activity
- Unfiltered call trace – traces all system calls (more noisy)
- Filtered system event monitoring to track file, process, network activity (less noisy)
- Unfiltered system even monitoring to track file, process, network, memory allocations/unallocations, signals etc (more noisy)



# Dynamic Analysis Features

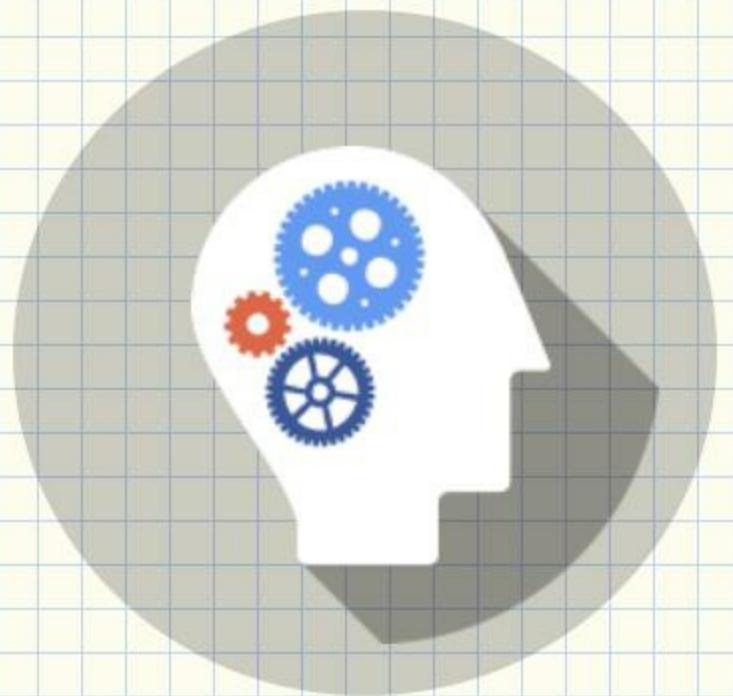
- Shows DNS summary
- Shows TCP conversations
- Stores packet captures
- Stores event trace dump



# Memory Analysis Features

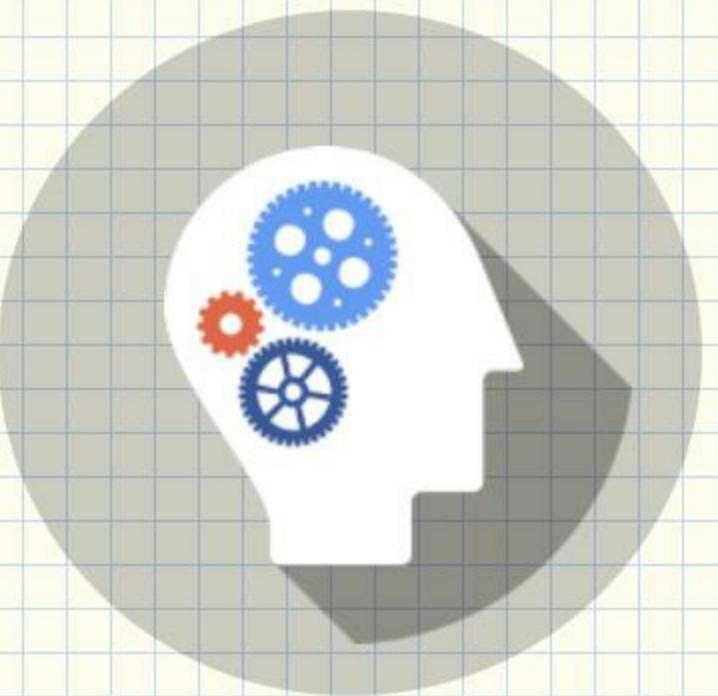
Limon performs post-mortem analysis by performing memory analysis using Volatility framework. This feature should help in detecting stealthy rootkits and malwares performing Anti-Forensic tricks. Below are the memory analysis features:

- Option to perform verbose memory forensics (slow)
- Process Listing (using different methods)
- Process tree listing
- Process listing with process arguments
- Displays thread associated with each process
- Displays Network connections (TCP and UDP)



# Memory Analysis Features

- Displays Interface Information
- Displays processes running with RAW sockets
- Displays shared libraries associated with the processes (using different methods)
- Displays kernel modules
- Displays kernel modules hidden from module list but present in SYSFS
- Displays Kernel modules hidden from both module list and SYSFS
- Displays files opened within kernel
- Displays processes sharing credential structures
- Checks for keyboard notifier hooks
- Checks for TTY hooks

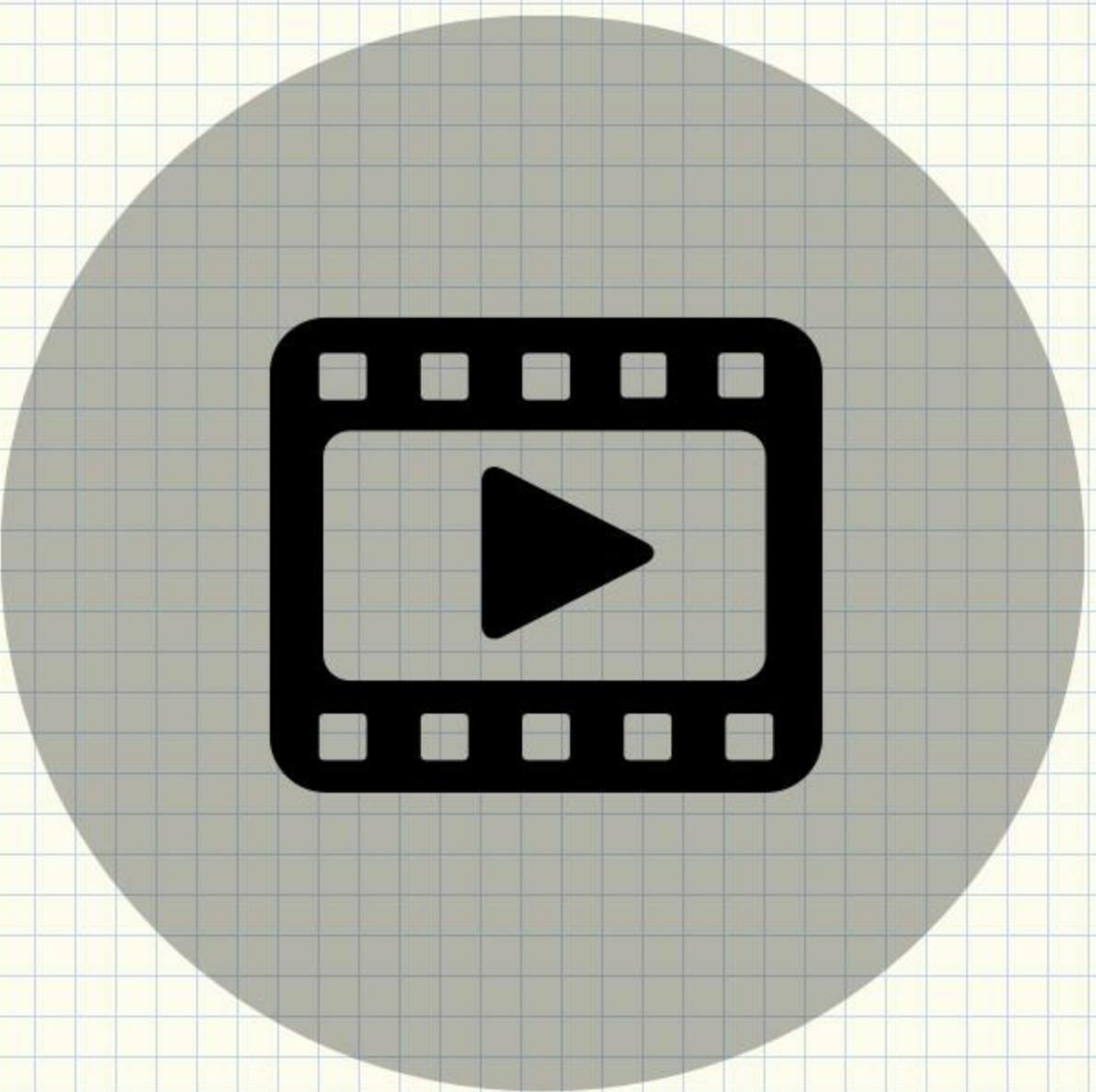


# Memory Analysis Features

- Checks for system call table modification
- Displays BASH history
- Checks for modified file operation structures
- Checks hooked network operation function structures
- Checks netfilter hooks
- Check inline kernel hooks
- Displays BASH history
- Checks for code or binary injection
- Check for PLT/GOT hooks (only in verbose mode)
- Checks for userland api hooks (only in verbose mode)

# Demo 1

Analysis of Tsunami Using Limon



# Running Tsunami malware

```
root@helios:~/limon_sandbox# python limon.py -h
Usage: limon.py [Options] <file> [args] ←

Options:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -t TIMEOUT, --timeout=TIMEOUT
                        timeout in seconds, default is 60 seconds
  -i, --internet        connects to internet
  -p, --perl             perl script (.pl)
  -P, --python           python script (.py)
  -z, --php              php script ←
  -s, --shell            shell script
  -b, --bash             BASH script
  -k, --lkm              load kernel module
  -C, --ufctrace         unfiltered call trace(full trace)
  -e, --femonitor        filtered system event monitoring
  -E, --ufemonitor       unfiltered system event monitoring
  -m, --memfor           memory forensics
  -M, --vmemfor          verbose memory forensics(slow)
  -x, --printhexdump     print hex dump in call trace (both filtered and
                        unfiltered call trace)

root@helios:~/limon_sandbox# python limon.py /root/linux_malwares/tsuna -t 40 -x -m
```

# Tsunami – Static Analysis Results

Malware file is 32 bit ELF executable and the symbols are not stripped

```
===== [STATIC ANALYSIS RESULTS] =====

Filetype: ELF 32-bit LSB executable, Intel 80386, version 1 (SYSV), dynamically linked (uses shared libs), for
GNU/Linux 2.6.8, not stripped
File Size: 28.63 KB (29318 bytes) ←
md5sum: 1610768b1524e24d840ae25964d02c8e
ssdeep: 384:fJp2sVqQvqRFP514VWPE898bTyJGb0GnfknfXI0yIUQhLxJs+C3P0CtZ8ax0h/49:BpRkQiVHAbTyJGb01fXI+9w9f5+R4wC
ELF Header:
  Magic: 7f 45 4c 46 01 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  Class: ELF32
  Data: 2's complement, little endian
  Version: 1 (current)
  OS/ABI: UNIX - System V
  ABI Version: 0
  Type: EXEC (Executable file)
  Machine: Intel 80386
  Version: 0x1
  Entry point address: 0x8048e10
  Start of program headers: 52 (bytes into file)
  Start of section headers: 23172 (bytes into file)
  Flags: 0x0
  Size of this header: 52 (bytes)
  Size of program headers: 32 (bytes)
  Number of program headers: 7
  Size of section headers: 40 (bytes)
  Number of section headers: 36
  Section header string table index: 33
```

# Tsunami –Static Analysis Results

Fuzzy hash comparsion shows 100% match with previously submitted sample and YARA rule match shows IRC capability.

```
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ssdeep comparison:  
/root/linux_malwares/tsuna matches /root/linux_reports/ssdeep_master.txt:/root/lin_test/tsuna (100) ←  
  
-----  
Strings:  
    Ascii strings written to /root/linux_reports/tsuna/strings_ascii.txt  
    Unicode strings written to /root/linux_reports/tsuna/strings_unicode.txt  
-----  
Packers:  
    []  
-----  
Malware Capabilities and classification using YARA rules:  
    [irc, bankers] ←
```

# Tsunami – VirusTotal Results

Virustotal:

```
AVG ==>
AhnLab-V3 ==>
AntiVir ==> BDS/Katien.R
Antiy-AVL ==>
Avast ==> ELF:Tsunami-B
Avast5 ==> ELF:Tsunami-B
BitDefender ==> Generic.Malware.G!IFg.2C2A4AA5
CAT-QuickHeal ==>
ClamAV ==> Trojan.Tsunami.B
Commtouch ==>
Comodo ==>
DrWeb ==>
Emsisoft ==> Backdoor.Linux.Tsunami!IK
F-Prot ==>
F-Secure ==> Generic.Malware.G!IFg.2C2A4AA5
Fortinet ==>
GData ==> Generic.Malware.G!IFg.2C2A4AA5
Ikarus ==> Backdoor.Linux.Tsunami
Jiangmin ==>
K7AntiVirus ==>
Kaspersky ==> Backdoor.Linux.Tsunami.gen
McAfee ==> Linux/DDoS-Kaiten
McAfee-GW-Edition ==> Linux/DDoS-Kaiten
Microsoft ==>
NOD32 ==>
Norman ==>
PCTools ==> Malware.Linux-Backdoor
```

# Tsunami – Symbol Information

shows references to network related system calls, indicating network capability of the malware

```
Symbol table '.dynsym' contains 56 entries:
 Num: Value  Size Type  Bind  Vis      Ndx Name
  0: 00000000    0 NOTYPE LOCAL  DEFAULT  UND 
  1: 00000000   29 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND __errno_location@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
  2: 00000000   49 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND sprintf@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
  3: 00000000  141 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND popen@GLIBC_2.1 (3)
  4: 00000000   96 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND srand@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
  5: 00000000  108 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND connect@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
  6: 00000000   49 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND getpid@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
  7: 00000000    0 NOTYPE WEAK   DEFAULT  UND __gmon_start__
  8: 00000000  192 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND vsprintf@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
  9: 00000000  555 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND inet_network@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 10: 00000000  108 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND recv@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 11: 00000000   34 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND inet_addr@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 12: 00000000  198 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND strncpy@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 13: 00000000  112 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND write@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 14: 00000000  108 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND sendto@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 15: 00000000   55 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND listen@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 16: 00000000   50 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND toupper@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 17: 00000000  369 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND fgets@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 18: 00000000   88 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND memset@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 19: 00000000  441 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND __libc_start_main@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 20: 00000000    7 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND ntohs@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 21: 00000000   14 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND htons@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 22: 00000000  251 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND free@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 23: 00000000  108 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND accept@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 24: 00000000   58 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND ioctl@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 25: 00000000   55 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND socket@GLIBC_2.0 (2)
 26: 00000000  539 FUNC   GLOBAL DEFAULT  UND tcclose@GLIBC_2.1 (3)
```

# Tsunami – Strings

Strings show reference to C2 ip, http and IRC commands

```
80.243.54.131 ←  
NOTICE %s :Unable to comply.  
/usr/dict/words  
%s : USERID : UNIX : %s  
NOTICE %s :GET <host> <save as>  
NOTICE %s :Unable to create socket.  
http://  
NOTICE %s :Unable to resolve address.  
NOTICE %s :Unable to connect to http.  
GET /%s HTTP/1.0  
Connection: Keep-Alive  
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.75 [en] (X11; U; Linux 2.2.16-3 i686)  
Host: %s:80  
Accept: image/gif, image/x-xbitmap, image/jpeg, image/pjpeg, image/png, */*  
Accept-Encoding: gzip  
Accept-Language: en  
Accept-Charset: iso-8859-1,* ,utf-8  
NOTICE %s :Receiving file.  
NOTICE %s :Saved as %s  
NOTICE %s :Spoofs: %d.%d.%d.%d  
NOTICE %s :Spoofs: %d.%d.%d.%d - %d.%d.%d.%d  
NOTICE %s :Kaiten wa goraku  
NOTICE %s :NICK <nick>  
NOTICE %s :Nick cannot be larger than 9 characters.
```

# Tsunami – Strings

Strings show reference to attack commands, show DOS/DDOS capabilities

```
NOTICE %s :Tsunami heading for %s.  
NOTICE %s :UNKNOWN <target> <secs>  
NOTICE %s :Unknowning %s.  
NOTICE %s :MOVE <server>  
NOTICE %s :TSUNAMI <target> <secs>  
most firewalls  
NOTICE %s :PAN <target> <port> <secs>  
most network drivers  
NOTICE %s :UDP <target> <port> <secs>  
NOTICE %s :UNKNOWN <target> <secs>  
NOTICE %s :NICK <nick>  
NOTICE %s :SERVER <server>  
NOTICE %s :GETSPOOFS  
NOTICE %s :SPOOFS <subnet>  
NOTICE %s :DISABLE  
NOTICE %s :ENABLE  
NOTICE %s :KILL  
NOTICE %s :GET <http address> <save as>  
it onto the hd  
NOTICE %s :VERSION  
NOTICE %s :KILLALL  
NOTICE %s :HELP  
NOTICE %s :IRC <command>  
NOTICE %s :SH <command>  
NOTICE %s :Killing pid %d.
```

= Special packeter that wont be blocked by most firewalls

= An advanced syn flooder that will kill most network drivers

= A udp flooder

= Another non-spoof udp flooder

= Changes the nick of the client

= Changes servers

= Gets the current spoofing

= Changes spoofing to a subnet

= Disables all packeting from this client

= Enables all packeting from this client

= Kills the client

= Downloads a file off the web and saves it onto the hd

= Requests version of client

= Kills all current packeting

= Displays this

= Sends this command to the server

= Executes a command

# Dynamic Analysis Results

```
===== [DYNAMIC ANALYSIS RESULTS] =====
```

## CALL TRACE ACTIVITIES

```
2673 execve("/root/malware_analysis/tsuna", ["/root/malware_analysis/tsuna"], /* 50 vars */) = 0
2673 open("/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/lib/tls/i686/sse2/cmov/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY|O_CLOEXEC) = -1
ENOENT (No such file or directory)
2673 open("/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/lib/tls/i686/sse2/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY|O_CLOEXEC) = -1
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(No such file or directory)
2673 open("/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/lib/tls/sse2/cmov/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY|O_CLOEXEC) = -1
ENOENT (No such file or directory)
2673 open("/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/lib/tls/sse2/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY|O_CLOEXEC) = -1 ENOENT
(No such file or directory)
```

```
2673 clone(child_stack=0, flags=CLONE_CHILD_CLEARTID|CLONE_CHILD_SETTID|SIGCHLD, child_tidptr=0) =
2674
2674 open("/usr/dict/words", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
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2674 open("/usr/dict/words", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
2674 socket(PF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, IPPROTO_TCP) = 3 ←
2674 connect(3, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(5566), sin_addr=inet_addr("80.243.54.131")}, 16)
= -1 EINPROGRESS (Operation now in progress)
2674 connect(3, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(5566), sin_addr=inet_addr("80.243.54.131")}, 16)
= 0
2674 write(3, "NICK YXXES\nUSER OAQL localhost localhost :VKHLC\n", 48) = 48
| 00000 4e 49 43 4b 20 59 58 58 45 53 0a 55 53 45 52 20 NICK YXX ES.USER |
| 00010 4f 41 51 4c 20 6c 6f 63 61 6c 68 6f 73 74 20 6c OAQL loc alhost l |
| 00020 6f 63 61 6c 68 6f 73 74 20 3a 56 4b 48 4c 43 0a ocalhost :VKHLC. |
```

# Tsunami – Network Communication

Shows IRC communication to the C2 ip on port 5566

The screenshot shows the Tsunami Network Communication interface. The main window displays a list of network packets captured over time, filtered by "tcp.stream eq 0". The list includes columns for No., Time, Source, Destination, Protocol, Length, and Info. A tooltip "Follow TCP Stream (tcp.stream eq 0)" points to the stream content pane. The stream content pane shows the ASCII representation of the captured traffic, starting with the NICK and USER commands sent to the server.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	2015-10-06 14:26:59.821070	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	74	37002→5566 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=14600 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=4294
4	2015-10-06 14:26:59.821156	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	74	5566→37002 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28960 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1
5	2015-10-06 14:26:59.821232	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	66	37002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4294912246 TSecr=16
6	2015-10-06 14:26:59.822661	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	74	[TCP Spurious Retransmission] 5566→37002 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28
7	2015-10-06 14:26:59.822670	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	74	[TCP Spurious Retransmission] 5566→37002 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28
8	2015-10-06 14:26:59.822740	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4	
9	2015-10-06 14:26:59.823803	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
10	2015-10-06 14:26:59.823812	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
11	2015-10-06 14:26:59.823877	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4	
12	2015-10-06 14:26:59.824830	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
13	2015-10-06 14:26:59.824837	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
14	2015-10-06 14:26:59.824883	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4	
15	2015-10-06 14:26:59.825872	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
16	2015-10-06 14:26:59.825875	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
17	2015-10-06 14:26:59.825909	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4	
18	2015-10-06 14:26:59.826957	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
19	2015-10-06 14:26:59.826960	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
20	2015-10-06 14:26:59.826993	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4	
21	2015-10-06 14:26:59.827996	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
22	2015-10-06 14:26:59.828000	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
23	2015-10-06 14:26:59.828030	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4	
24	2015-10-06 14:26:59.829043	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
25	2015-10-06 14:26:59.829049	80.243.54.131	192.168.1.150	TCP	002→5566 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28	
26	2015-10-06 14:26:59.829114	192.168.1.150	80.243.54.131	TCP	002→5566 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 TSval=4	

Frame 1: 74 bytes on wire (592 bits), 74 bytes on wire (592 bits)  
Ethernet II, Src: Tp-LinkT\_27:3e:42 (14:cc:20:27:3e:42), Dst: 00:0c:29:4f:00:00  
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.1.150, Dst: 80.243.54.131  
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 37002, Dst Port: 5566

Stream Content (48 bytes):  
NICK YXXES  
USER OAQL localhost localhost :VKHLC

Hex Dump:

0000	14 cc 20 27 3e 42 14 cc 20 27 3e 42 08 00 45 00	.. '>B.. 'B..E.
0010	00 3c 44 48 40 00 40 06 ac bf c0 a8 01 96 50 f3	.<DH@. @. ....P.
0020	36 83 90 8a 15 be 87 6f 6c be 00 00 00 00 a0 02	6.....o l.....
0030	39 08 01 db 00 00 02 04 05 b4 04 02 08 0a ff ff	9.....

# Tsunami – Memory Process Listing

shows malicious process "tsuna" running on the system

NAME	PID	PPID	SIZE	BASE ADDRESS
2015-10-06 08:56:06 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001c332de0 goa-daemon	2603	0	0	0x00000000006cb8000
2015-10-06 08:56:06 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001a250000 gnome-screensav	2608	0	0	0x0000000009126000
2015-10-06 08:56:11 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001a35dbc0 aptd	2662	0	0	0x0000000000c8cf000
2015-10-06 08:56:52 UTC+0000				
0xfffff8800020b8000 vmtoolsd	2671	0	0	0x0000000001a5c7000
2015-10-06 08:56:59 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001a35ade0 strace	2672	0	0	0x0000000001a3d8000
2015-10-06 08:56:59 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001b992de0 tsuna	2674	0	0	0x000000000005aa000
2015-10-06 08:56:59 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001a555bc0 dnsmasq	2691	65534	30	0x0000000001a1a8000
2015-10-06 08:57:44 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001efedbc0 dbus-daemon	2698	102	105	0x0000000001cc07000
2015-10-06 08:57:44 UTC+0000				
0xfffff88001a5544d0 dbus-daemon-lau	2700	0	0	0x000000000178b3000
2015-10-06 08:57:44 UTC+0000				

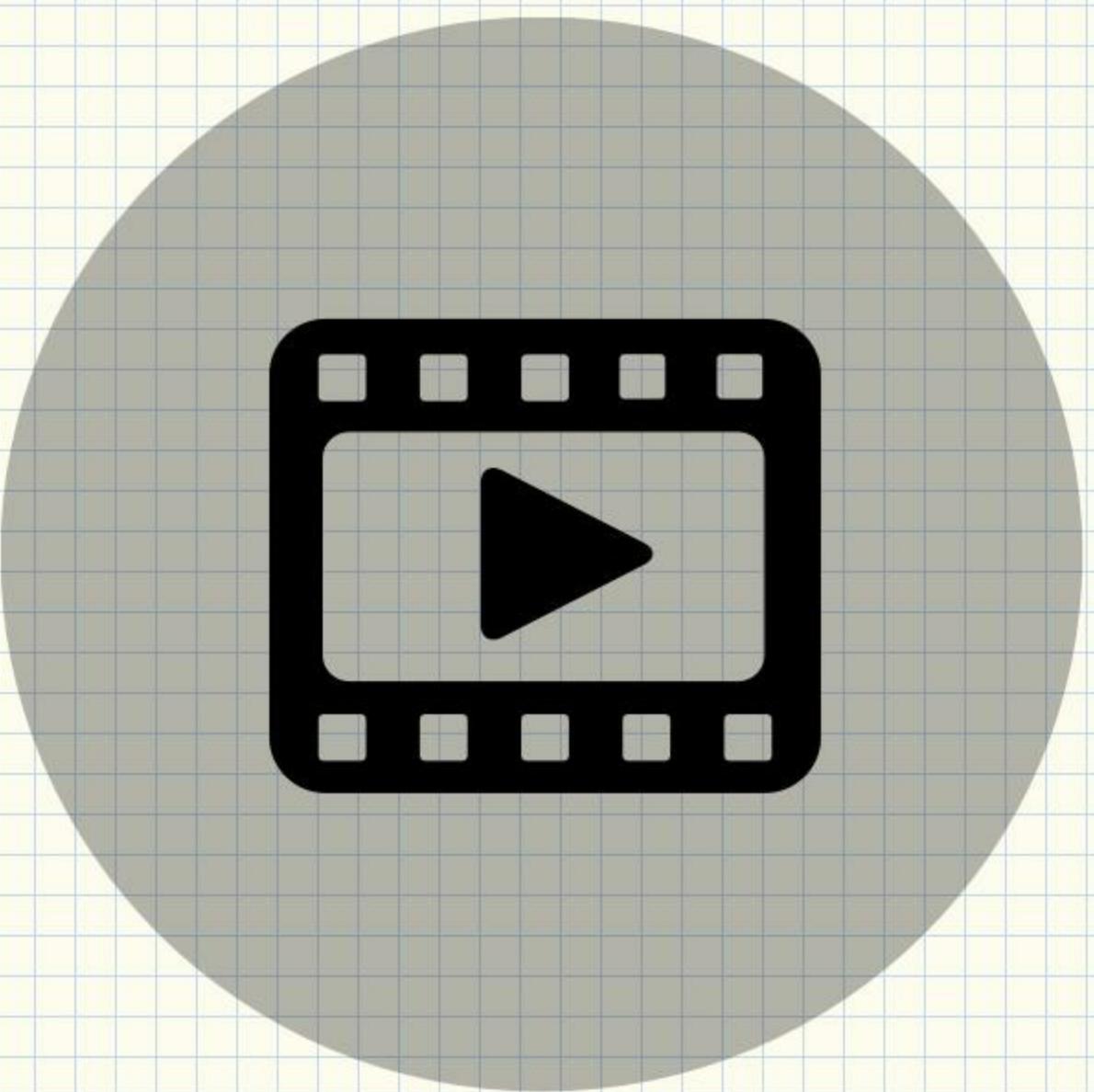
# Tsunami – Memory Network Communication

Network listing from memory analysis shows process "tsuna" establishing network connection with C2 ip

```
NETWORK CONNECTIONS
=====
UDP      0.0.0.0          : 5353  0.0.0.0          : 0           avahi-daemon/677
UDP      ::                 : 5353  ::                 : 0           avahi-daemon/677
UDP      0.0.0.0          :38766  0.0.0.0          : 0           avahi-daemon/677
UDP      ::                 :43148  ::                 : 0           avahi-daemon/677
TCP      127.0.0.1         : 631   0.0.0.0          : 0 LISTEN      cupsd/752
TCP      192.168.1.150     :39549  91.189.89.144    : 80 CLOSE_WAIT  ubuntu-geoip-pr/2455
TCP      192.168.1.150     :37002  80.243.54.131    : 5566 ESTABLISHED tsuna/2674
UDP      127.0.0.1         : 53    0.0.0.0          : 0           dnsmasq/2691
TCP      127.0.0.1         : 53    0.0.0.0          : 0 LISTEN      dnsmasq/2691
```

# Demo 2

Analysis of Mayhem using Limon



# Running Mayhem

```
root@helios:~/limon_sandbox# python limon.py -h
Usage: limon.py [Options] <file> [args]

Options:
-h, --help            show this help message and exit
-t TIMEOUT, --timeout=TIMEOUT
                     timeout in seconds, default is 60 seconds
-i, --internet        connects to internet
-p, --perl            perl script (.pl)
-P, --python          python script (.py)
-z, --php             php script
-s, --shell            shell script
-b, --bash            BASH script
-k, --lkm              load kernel module
-C, --ufctrace        unfiltered call trace(full trace)
-e, --femonitor       filtered system event monitoring
-E, --ufemonitor      unfiltered system event monitoring
-m, --memfor           memory forensics
-M, --vmemfor          verbose memory forensics(slow)
-x, --printhexdump    print hex dump in call trace (both filtered and
                     unfiltered call trace)

root@helios:~/limon_sandbox# python limon.py -z /root/linux_malwares/may.php -t 25 -m
```

# Mayhem – PHP Dropper

```
===== [STATIC ANALYSIS RESULTS] =====  
Filetype: PHP script, ASCII text, with very long lines  
File Size: 213.14 KB (218251 bytes)  
md5sum: dbba4b0788992fc11d305e543810822b  
ssdeep: 1536:RomyYwgJ8SYZHr/yLn0ueF277R4pWrrry6QCrUvlmiED1LaL+G3FuF8I7ViEP0wG:ZV/ZxnFJ3yFlmZJaLSkkmy0  
ssdeep comparison:  
-----
```

# Mayhem – Virustotal Results

Virustotal:

```
AVG ==>
AVware ==>
Ad-Aware ==>
AegisLab ==>
Agnitum ==>
AhnLab-V3 ==>
AntiVir ==>
Antiy-AVL ==>
Avast ==> PHP:Effusion-B [Trj]
Baidu-International ==>
BitDefender ==>
Bkav ==> VEXEd3d.Webshell
ByteHero ==>
CAT-QuickHeal ==>
CMC ==>
ClamAV ==>
Commtouch ==>
Comodo ==>
DrWeb ==>
ESET-NOD32 ==>
Emsisoft ==>
F-Prot ==>
F-Secure ==>
```

# Mayhem – Php Executed and drops shared object

===== [DYNAMIC ANALYSIS RESULTS] =====

## CALL TRACE ACTIVITIES

```
2675 execve("/usr/bin/php", ["/usr/bin/php", "/root/malware analysis/may.php"], /* 50 vars */) = 0
2675 open("/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/lib/tls/x86_64/libcrypt.so.1", O_RDONLY|O_CLOEXEC) = -1
ENOENT (No such file or directory)
2675 open("/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/lib/tls/libcrypt.so.1", O_RDONLY|O_CLOEXEC) = -1 ENOENT (No
such file or directory)
```

# Mayhem – Writes and Executes Shell Script

```
2675 open("/root/1.sh", 0 WROnly|0 CREAT|0 TRUNC, 0666) = 3
2675 write(3, "#!/bin/sh\nif [ -f './cached.so' ];then killall -9 host;export
AU=''\nexport LD_PRELOAD=./cached.so\n/usr/bin/host\nunset LD_PRELOAD\nncrontab -l|grep -v
'1\\\.sh'|grep -v crontab|crontab\nfi\nrm 1.sh\nexit 0\n", 209) = 209
2675 close(3) = 0
```

```
2678 close(4) = 0
2678 execve("/bin/sh", ["sh", "-c", "at now -f 1.sh"], /* 50 vars */) = 0
```

# Mayhem – DNS & TCP Conversations

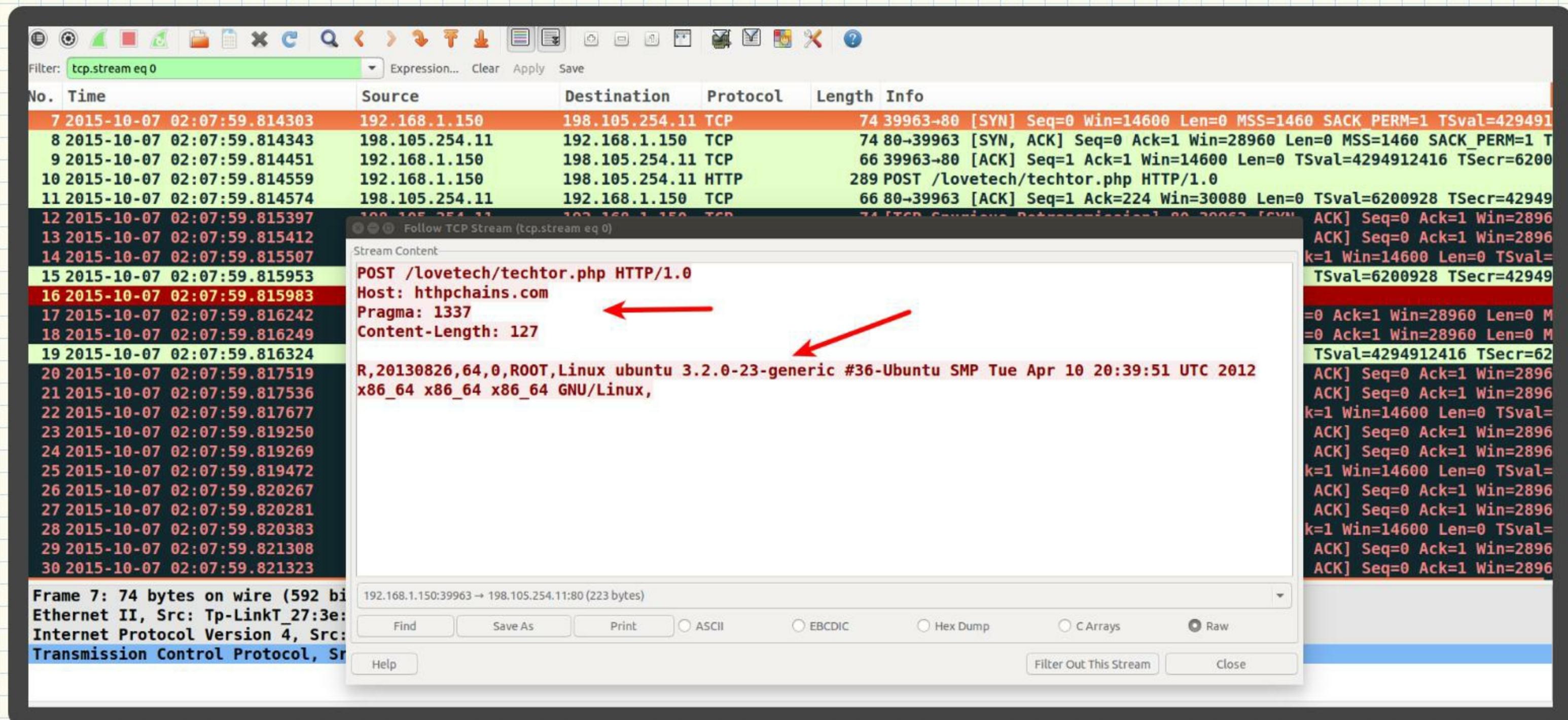
## DNS SUMMARY

```
=====
02:07:59.621178 IP 192.168.1.150.24096 > 4.2.2.2.53: 8821+ A? htpchains.com. (32)
02:07:59.621191 IP 192.168.1.150.24096 > 4.2.2.2.53: 8821+ A? htpchains.com. (32)
02:07:59.813769 IP 4.2.2.2.53 > 192.168.1.150.24096: 8821 2/0/0 A 198.105.254.11, A 198.105.244.11
(64)
```

## TCP CONVERSATIONS

```
=====
02:07:59.814303 IP 192.168.1.150.39963 > 198.105.254.11.80: tcp 0
02:07:59.814343 IP 198.105.254.11.80 > 192.168.1.150.39963: tcp 0
02:07:59.814451 IP 192.168.1.150.39963 > 198.105.254.11.80: tcp 0
02:07:59.814559 IP 192.168.1.150.39963 > 198.105.254.11.80: tcp 223
02:07:59.814574 IP 198.105.254.11.80 > 192.168.1.150.39963: tcp 0
```

# Mayhem – Sends System Information



# Mayhem – LD\_PRELOAD Technique

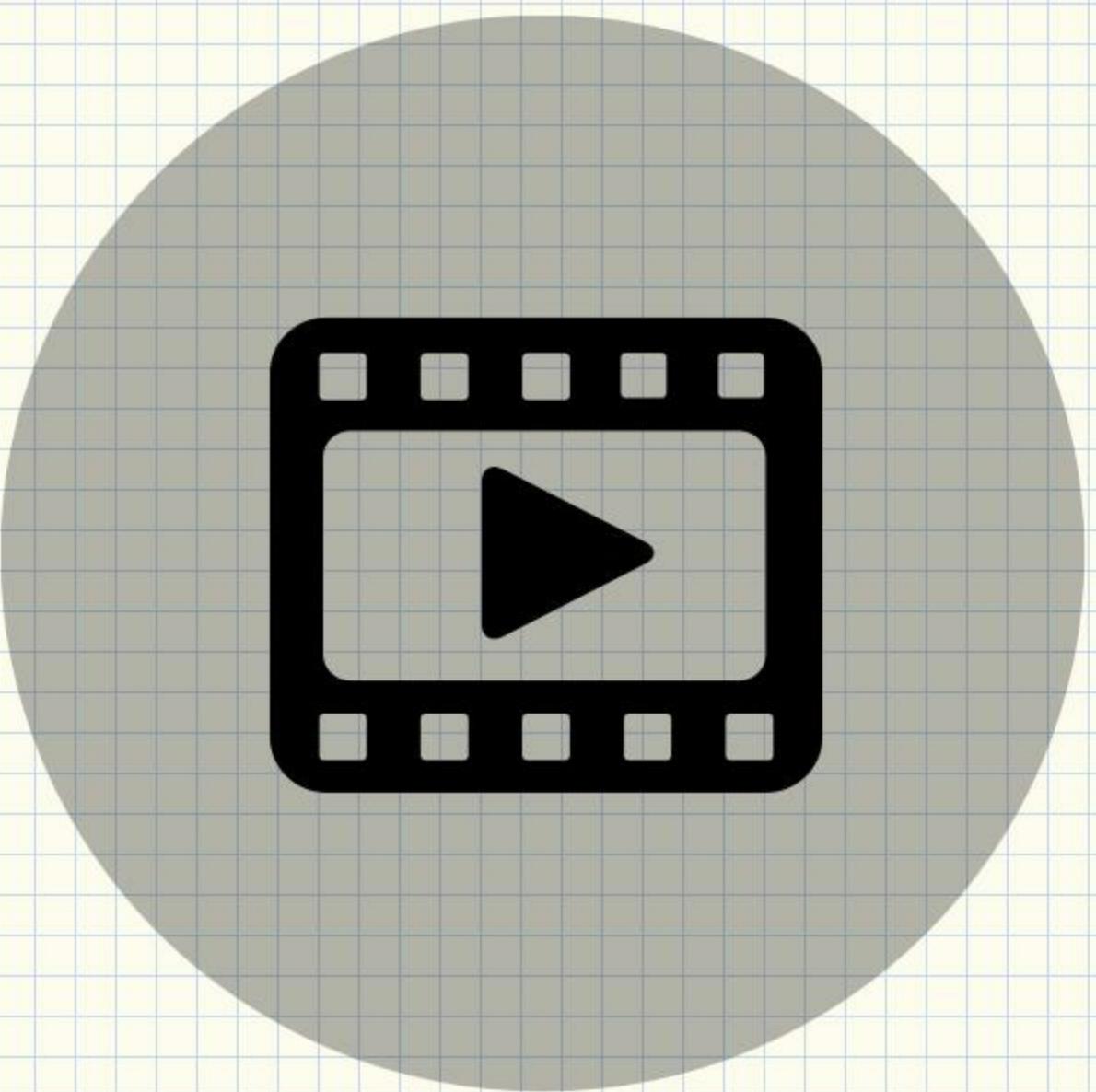
```
host 2690 VMWARE_FONTCONFIG_PATH=0 GNOME_KEYRING_PID=2193 USER=root  
VMWARE_GTK2_RC_FILES=0 VMWARE_GTK_EXE_PREFIX=0 GIO_MODULE_DIR=/usr/lib/vmware-  
tools/libconf/lib/gio/modules SSH_AGENT_PID=2240 VMWARE_LD_PRELOAD=0 SHLVL=1 HOME=/root OLDPWD=/root  
XDG_SESSION_COOKIE=b6459faa6c9bb08553e1e29300000002-1441651547.594859-1426607263  
DESKTOP_SESSION=ubuntu-2d GTK_PATH=/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/lib/gtk-2.0/modules  
GTK_IM_MODULE_FILE=/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/etc/gtk-2.0/gtk.immodules  
XDG_SEAT_PATH=/org/freedesktop/DisplayManager/Seat0 DBUS_SESSION_BUS_ADDRESS=unix:abstract=/tmp/dbus-  
HmP9FrXwe4,guid=2f9953d25d5e2f27b1733210000000a VMWARE_PANGO_RC_FILE=0  
GNOME_KEYRING_CONTROL=/tmp/keyring-akAE1R VMWARE_GDK_PIXBUF_MODULE_FILE=0  
UBUNTU_MENU_PROXY=libappmenu.so MANDATORY_PATH=/usr/share/gconf/ubuntu-2d.mandatory.path LOGNAME=root  
DESKTOP_AUTOSTART_ID=10f307dea5ce3aa4f8144165154771014000000022040001  
DEFAULTS_PATH=/usr/share/gconf/ubuntu-2d.default.path VMWARE_GTK_PATH64=0  
PANGO_RC_FILE=/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/etc/pango/pangorc GNOME_DESKTOP_SESSION_ID=this-is-  
deprecated GTK2_RC_FILES=/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf/etc/gtk-2.0/gtkrc AU=  
PATH=/usr/lib/lightdm/lightdm:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/usr/games  
:/root/malware_analysis SESSION_MANAGER=local/ubuntu:@/tmp/.ICE-unix/2204,unix/ubuntu:/tmp/.ICE-  
unix/2204 GTK_EXE_PREFIX=/usr/lib/vmware-tools/libconf  
XDG_SESSION_PATH=/org/freedesktop/DisplayManager/Session0 LANG=en_US.UTF-8 VMWARE_GIO_MODULE_DIR=0  
VMWARE_LD_LIBRARY_PATH=0 XDG_CURRENT_DESKTOP=Unity LD_PRELOAD=./cached.so  
XAUTHORITY=/root/.Xauthority SSH_AUTH_SOCK=/tmp/keyring-akAE1R/ssh VMWARE_GTK_PATH=0
```

# Mayhem – Malicious shared object Loaded by Host process

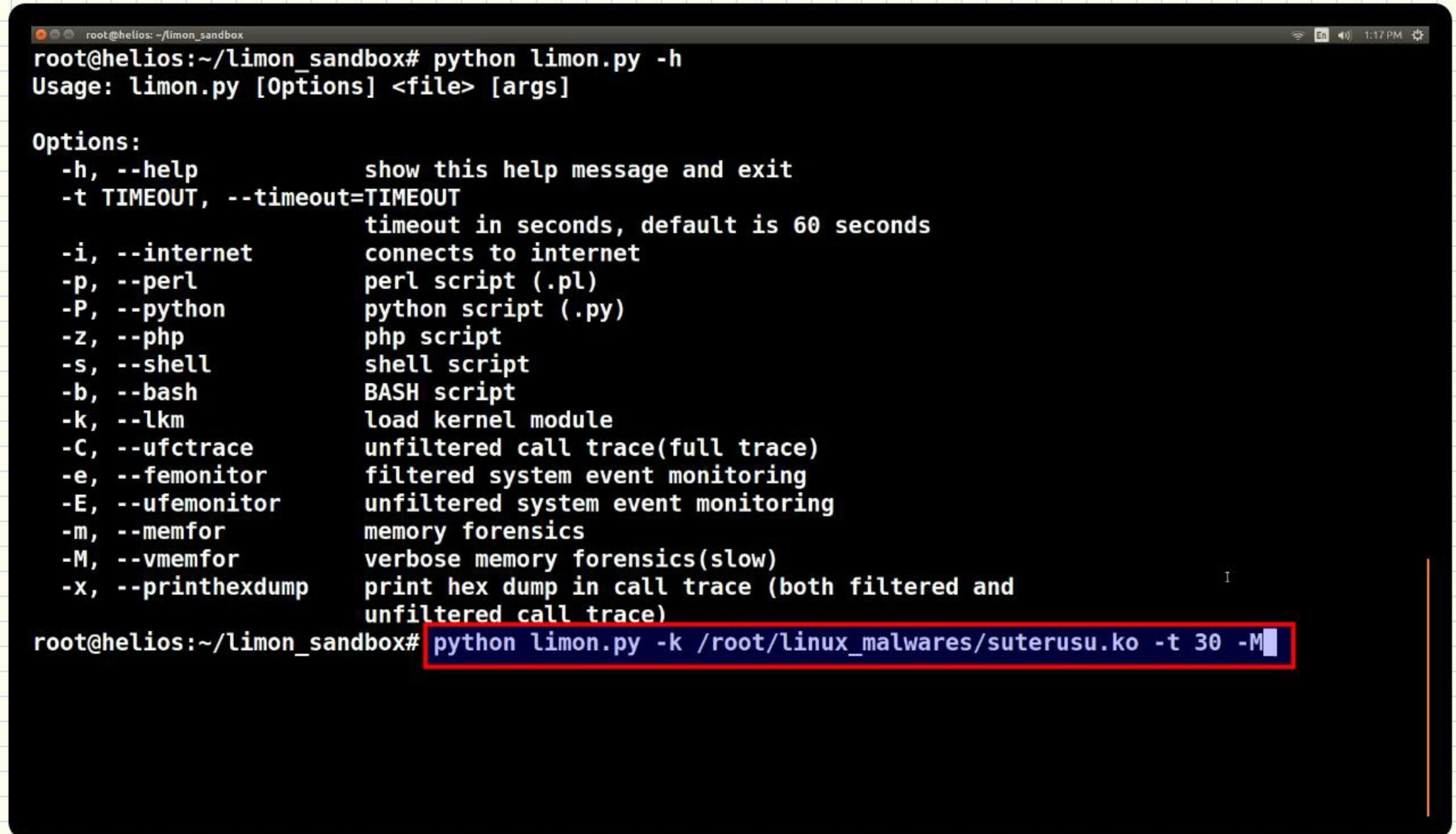
```
host      2690 0x00007f02e6b29000 /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
host      2690 0x00007f02e4b8f000 /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libxml2.so.2
host      2690 0x00007f02e4eea000 /usr/lib/libGeoIP.so.1
host      2690 0x00007f02e511f000 /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libcrypto.so.1.0.0
host      2690 0x00007f02e54e7000 /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libgssapi_krb5.so.2
host      2690 0x00007f02e5725000 /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
host      2690 0x00007f02e5ae3000 /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libpthread.so.0
host      2690 0x00007f02e5d00000 /usr/lib/libisc.so.83
host      2690 0x00007f02e5f55000 /usr/lib/libisccfg.so.82
host      2690 0x00007f02e6176000 /usr/lib/libbind9.so.80
host      2690 0x00007f02e6383000 /usr/lib/libdns.so.81
host      2690 0x00007f02e6709000 /usr/lib/liblwres.so.80
host      2690 0x00007f02e691b000 ./cached.so
```

# Demo 3

Analysis of Suterusu Rootkit using Limon



# Running Suterusu Rootkit



The screenshot shows a terminal window with a black background and white text. At the top, it displays the command: `root@helios:~/limon_sandbox# python limon.py -h`. Below this, the output of the command is shown, which includes the usage information and a detailed list of options:

```
Usage: limon.py [Options] <file> [args]

Options:
-h, --help            show this help message and exit
-t TIMEOUT, --timeout=TIMEOUT
                      timeout in seconds, default is 60 seconds
-i, --internet        connects to internet
-p, --perl            perl script (.pl)
-P, --python          python script (.py)
-z, --php             php script
-s, --shell           shell script
-b, --bash            BASH script
-k, --lkm              load kernel module
-C, --ufctrace        unfiltered call trace(full trace)
-e, --femonitor       filtered system event monitoring
-E, --ufemonitor     unfiltered system event monitoring
-m, --memfor          memory forensics
-M, --vmemfor         verbose memory forensics(slow)
-x, --printhexdump   print hex dump in call trace (both filtered and
                     unfiltered call trace)

root@helios:~/limon_sandbox# python limon.py -k /root/linux_malwares/suterusu.ko -t 30 -M
```

The command at the bottom of the terminal window is highlighted with a red rectangle: `python limon.py -k /root/linux_malwares/suterusu.ko -t 30 -M`.

# Suterusu – Hidden Module and Keyboard Notifier hook

```
MODULES HIDDEN FROM MODULE LIST and SYSFS
=====
Offset (V)          Name
-----
0xfffffffffa027c660 suterusu
0xfffffffffa02c2928 ?*,?????

KEYBOARD NOTIFIERS
=====
Address          Symbol
-----
0xfffffffffa0278d60 HOOKED: /
```

# Suterusu – Inline Kernel Hooks

## INLINE KERNEL HOOKS

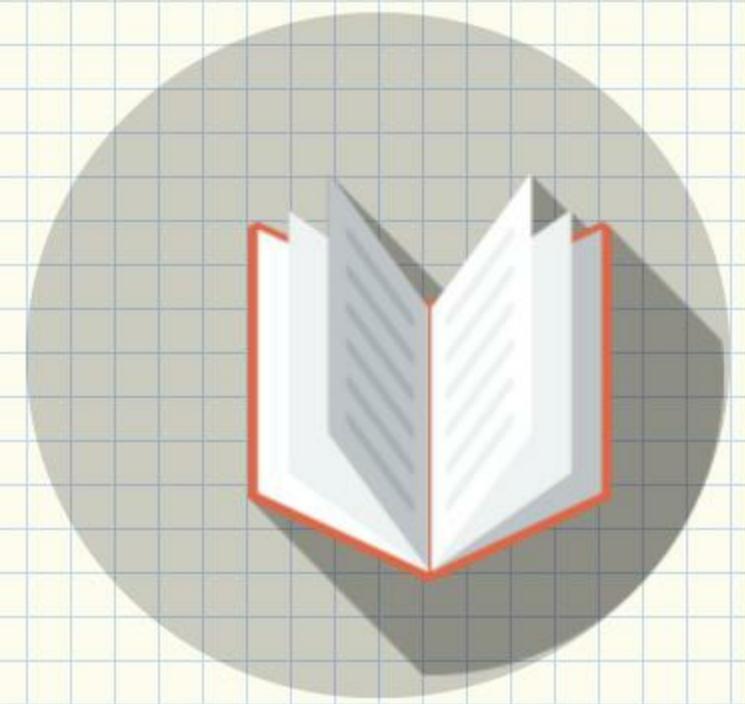
```
=====
```

Name	Member	Hook Type	Hook Address
<hr/>			
dev_get_flags		JMP	0xfffffffffa0277000
anacron 3 []	readdir	JMP	0xfffffffffa02770b0
proc_root	readdir	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277050
//proc	readdir	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277050
/	readdir	JMP	0xfffffffffa02770b0
/lib64	readdir	JMP	0xfffffffffa02770b0
/selinux	readdir	JMP	0xfffffffffa02770b0
/root	readdir	JMP	0xfffffffffa02770b0

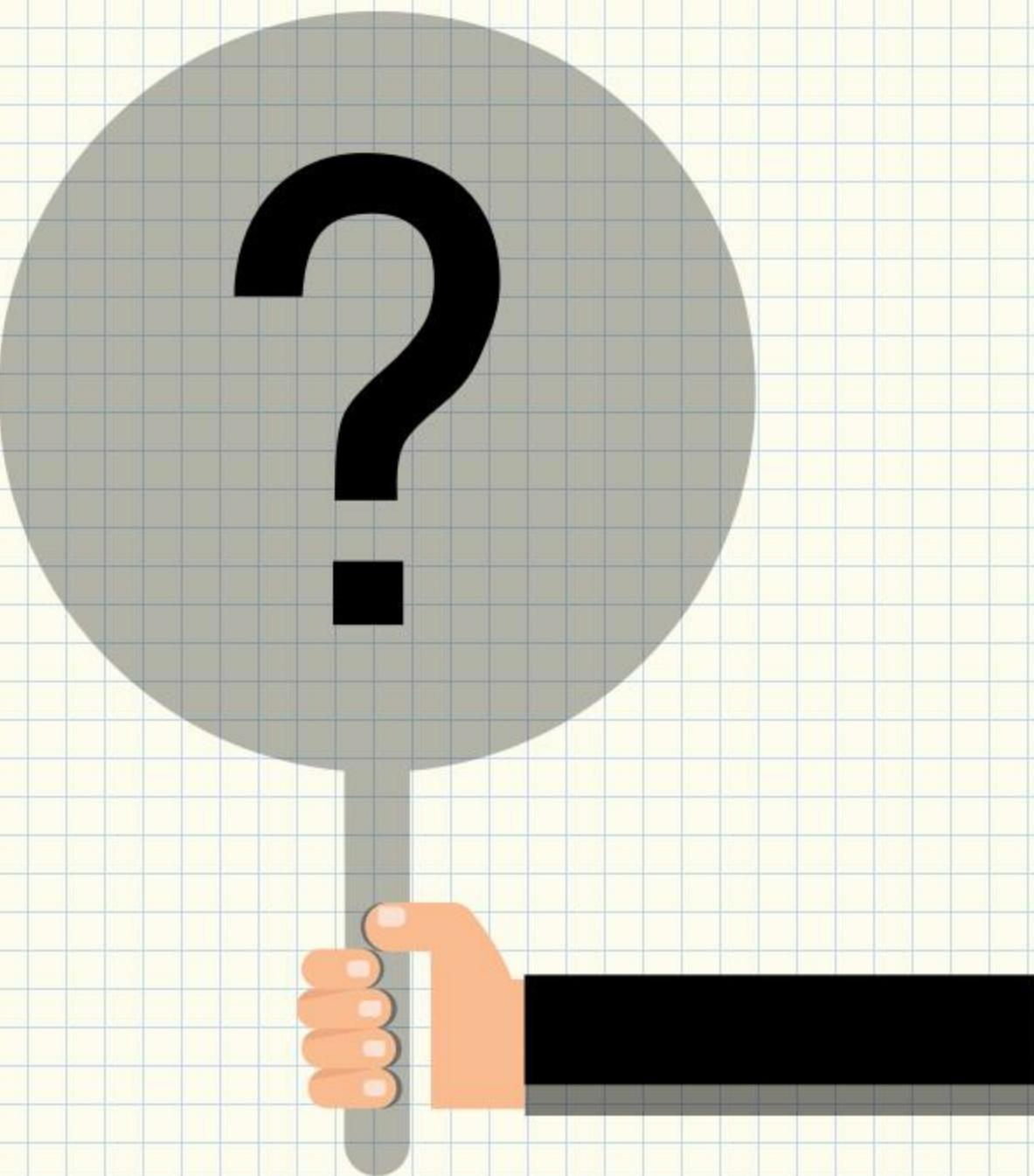
tcp6_seq_afinfo	show	JMP	0xfffffffffa02772d0
tcp4_seq_afinfo	show	JMP	0xfffffffffa02773b0
udplite6_seq_afinfo	show	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277110
udp6_seq_afinfo	show	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277110
udplite4_seq_afinfo	show	JMP	0xfffffffffa02771f0
udp4_seq_afinfo	show	JMP	0xfffffffffa02771f0
TCP	ioctl	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277e20
UDP	ioctl	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277e20
UDP-Lite	ioctl	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277e20
PING	ioctl	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277e20
RAW	ioctl	JMP	0xfffffffffa0277e20

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# Question & Answers



# THANK YOU

