Memory Analysis

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  - Detection of rootkits
  - Reverse engineering analysis

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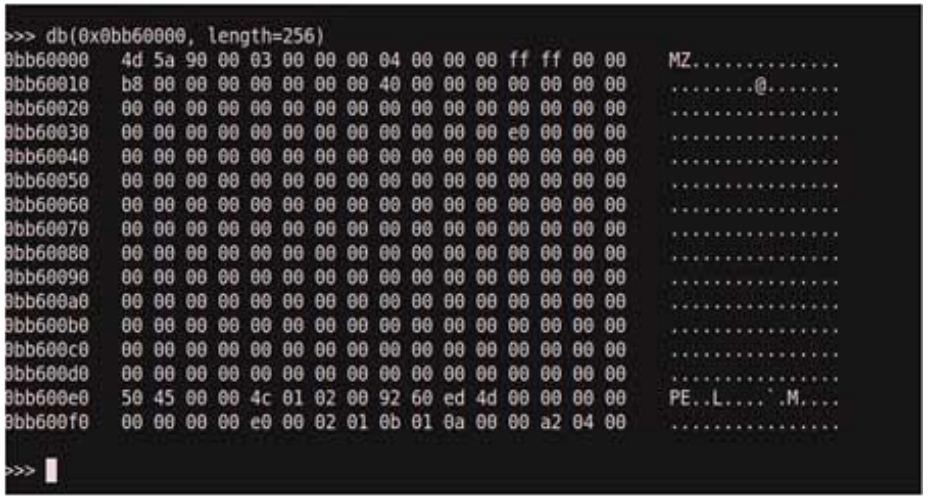


Basic Memory Analysis

- Memory analysis is consisting of two basic concepts

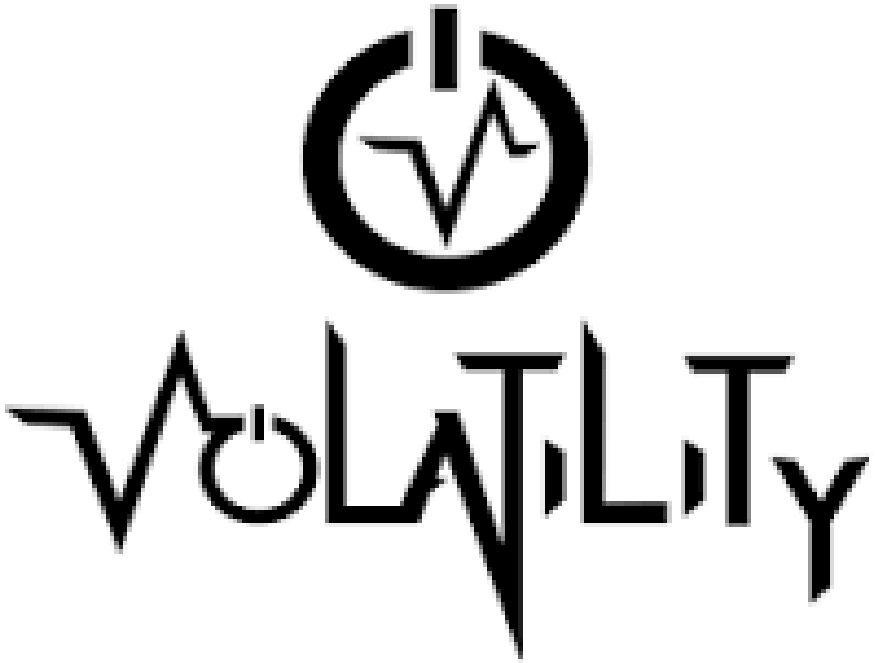
I. Memory Acquisition
II. Memory Analysis

Basic Memory Analysis

- In terms of memory acquisition of physical devices, below tools can be used. For virtual environments copying ‘.vmem’ memory file to an analysis tool is enough.
  - Win32dd/Win64dd
  - dd
  - Memoryze
  - Dumply,
  - Fastdump
- For process dumps LordPE, Process Hacker and Ollydump can be used.

Basic Memory Analysis

- After obtaining memory, memory can be implemented. In this case Volatility tool will be examined.



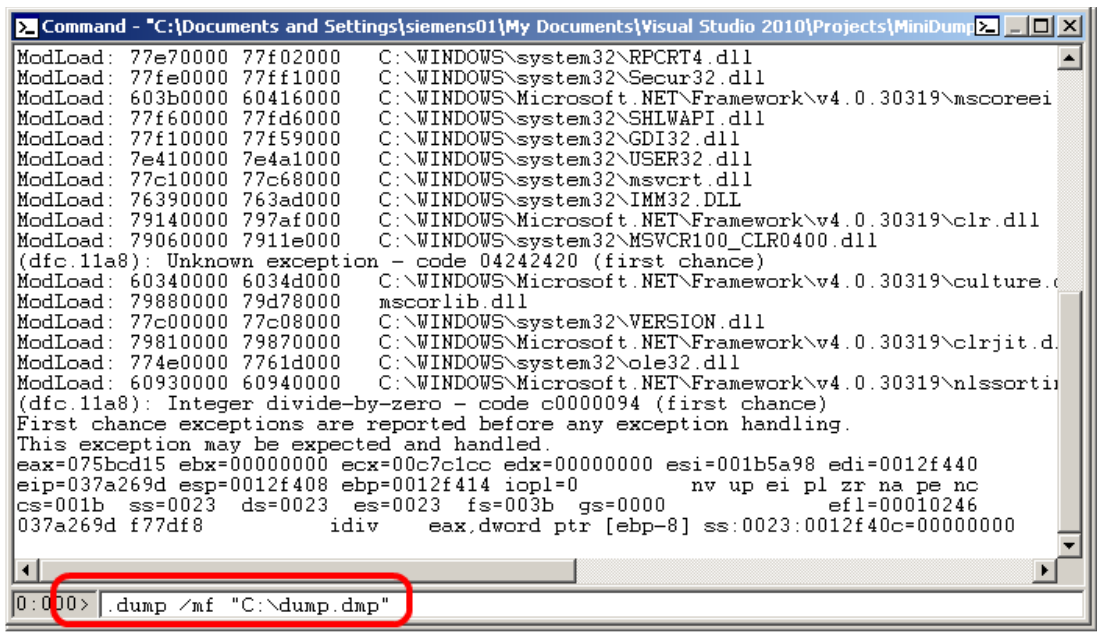
Basic Memory Analysis

- Inspection of a malware with memory analysis has some benefits. These are :

  - Rootkits can hide theirselves from classical detection approaches. Memory analysis can detect rootkits.
  - If a malware deleted , memory analysis process may gather information about it.
  - Memory forensics can provide clues for static and dynamic analysis.

Basic Memory Analysis

- Inspection of a malware with memory analysis has also some disadvantages. These are :
  - Memory maps are different for OS
  - Just for a limited time for analysis
  - Big memory, long time to analyze



Examining Files with Volatility

- Volatility is Python based memory forensics tool.
- OS Independent
- Open source Project
- Clarifies memory
- Can implement plugins

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Example:
python vol.py -h
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Example:
python vol.py -f mem.dmp imageinfo
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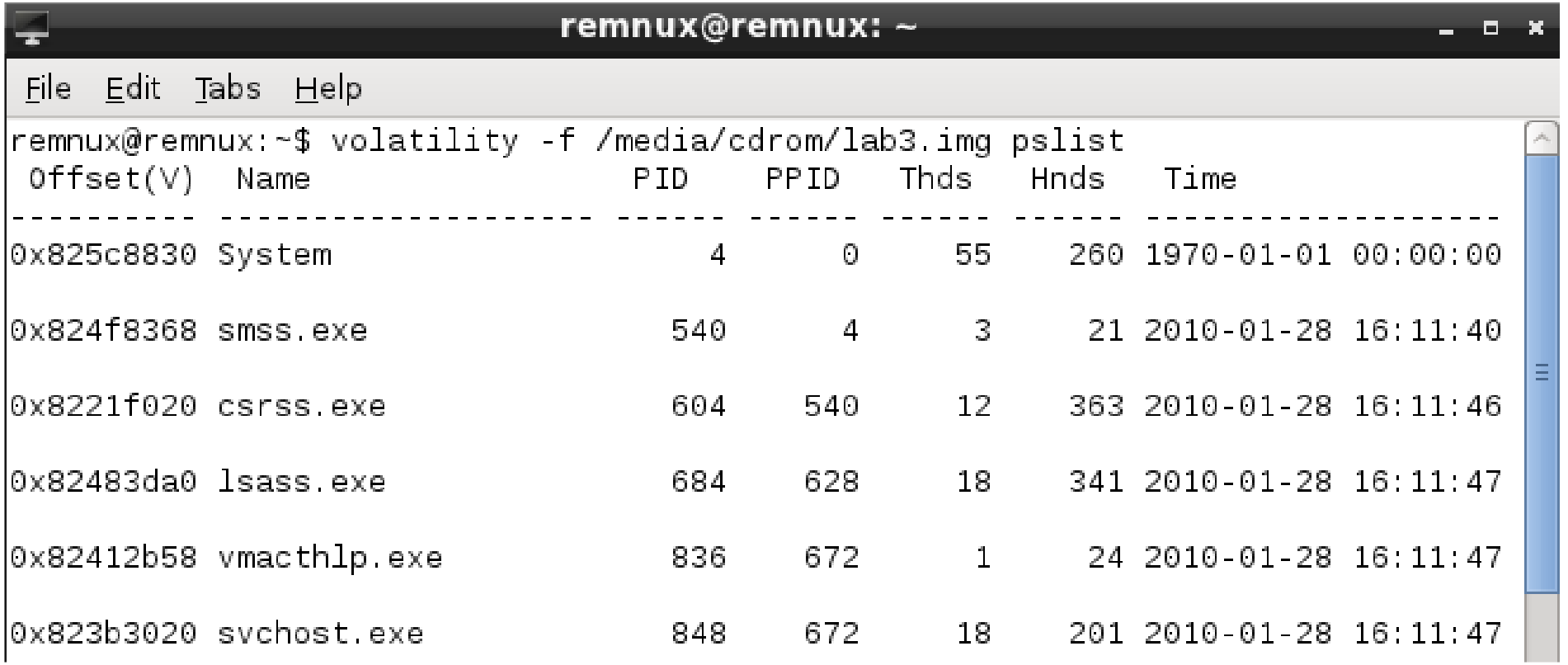
Examining Files with Volatility

- Pslist : List all processes



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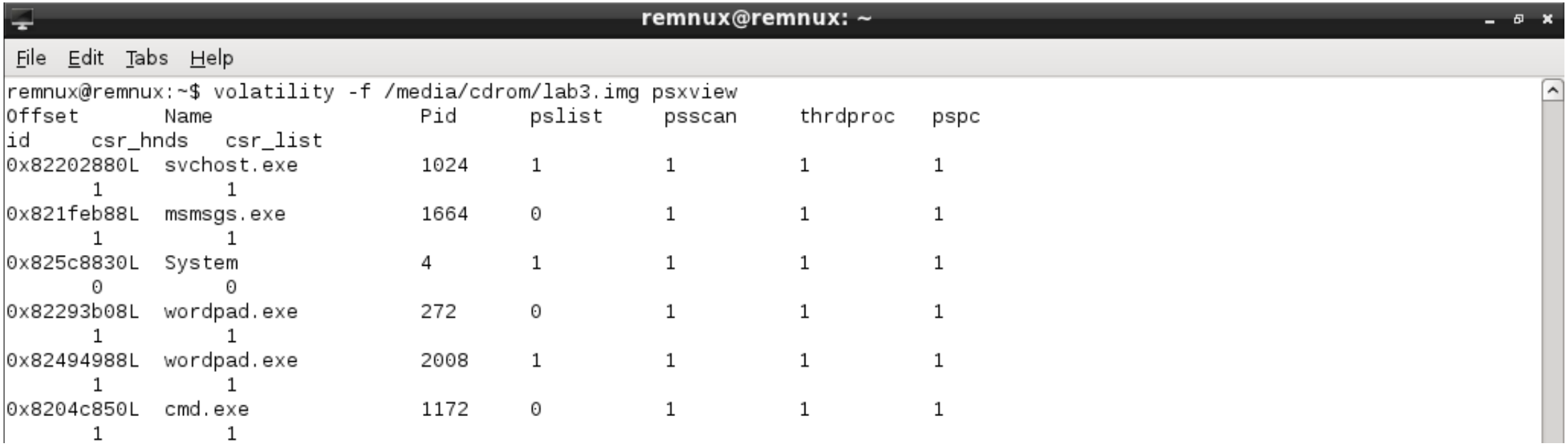
- Psxview : List all processes including hidden ones



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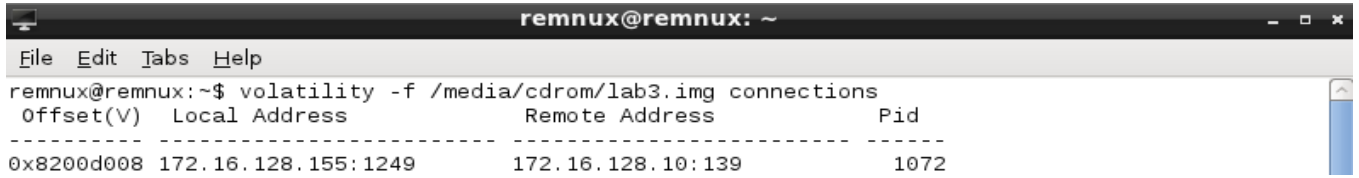
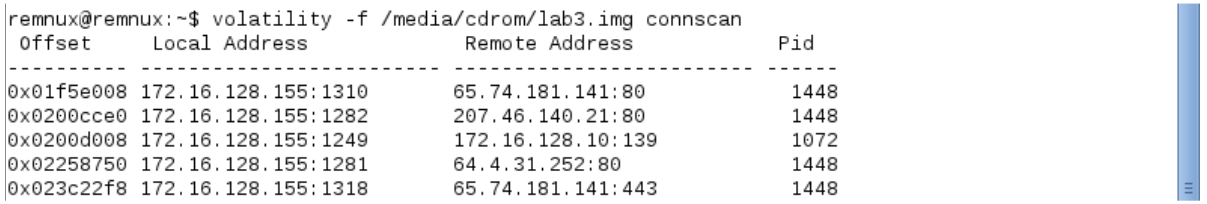
- Connection : List network connections



- Connscan : List all closed connections that remains in memory



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- Sockets and sockscan : List all the sockets and related processes

```
remnux@remnux:~$ volatility -f /media/cdrom/lab3.img sockets
 Offset(V)  PID    Port   Proto                Address        Create Time
---------- ------ ------ ------------------ -------------- -------------------------
0x8240be98    684    500     17 UDP            0.0.0.0            2010-01-28 16:11:58
0x8239b8d0   1132   1900     17 UDP            172.16.128.155     2010-02-02 02:31:22
0x81f65008      4    139      6 TCP            172.16.128.155     2010-02-02 02:31:22
0x81f65008      4    445      6 TCP            0.0.0.0            2010-01-28 16:11:36
0x823be648    932    135      6 TCP            0.0.0.0            2010-01-28 16:11:47
0x824112e8      4   1167      6 TCP            172.16.128.155     2010-02-02 03:20:05
0x821fb350      4    137     17 UDP            172.16.128.155     2010-02-02 02:31:22
0x82003aa0   1012   1029      6 TCP            127.0.0.1          2010-01-28 16:12:02
0x82003aa0   1072   1172     17 UDP            0.0.0.0            2010-02-02 03:51:42
0x81f5ab70    684      0    255 Reserved       0.0.0.0            2010-01-28 16:11:58
0x81e876f0   1072   1025     17 UDP            0.0.0.0            2010-01-28 16:12:02
0x8252dda0      4   1249      6 TCP            172.16.128.155     2010-02-02 22:17:50
0x81f8c4b8      4   1164      6 TCP            172.16.128.155     2010-02-02 02:35:04
```

Examining Files with Volatility

- Procmemdump : Disassembler and debugger provider for memory analysis

```
remnux@remnux:~$ volatility -f /media/cdrom/lab3.img -p 1592 procmemdump -D /hom
e/remnux
**************************************************************************
Dumping explorer.exe, pid:   1592 output: executable.1592.exe
remnux@remnux:~$ file /home/remnux/executable.1592.exe
/home/remnux/executable.1592.exe: PE32 executable for MS Windows (GUI) Intel 803
86 32-bit
```

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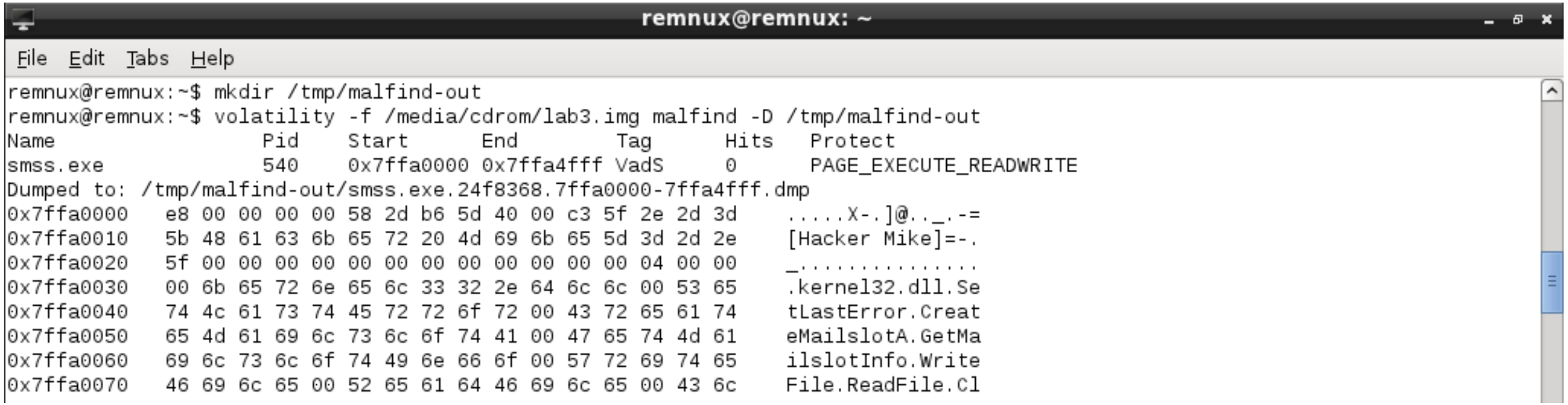
- Malfind : Provides to find malicious code parts in memory



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- Printkey : Informs registry operations in memory

```
remnux@remnux:~$ volatility -f /media/cdrom/lab3.img printkey -K 'Microsoft\Wind
ows\Currentversion\Run'
Legend: (S) = Stable   (V) = Volatile

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Registry: \Device\HarddiskVolume1\WINDOWS\system32\config\software
Key name: Run (S)
Last updated: 2009-06-16 16:55:20

Subkeys:

Values:
REG_SZ        VMware Tools    : (S) C:\Program Files\VMware\VMware Tools\VMwareT
ray.exe
REG_SZ        VMware User Process : (S) C:\Program Files\VMware\VMware Tools\VMw
areUser.exe
```

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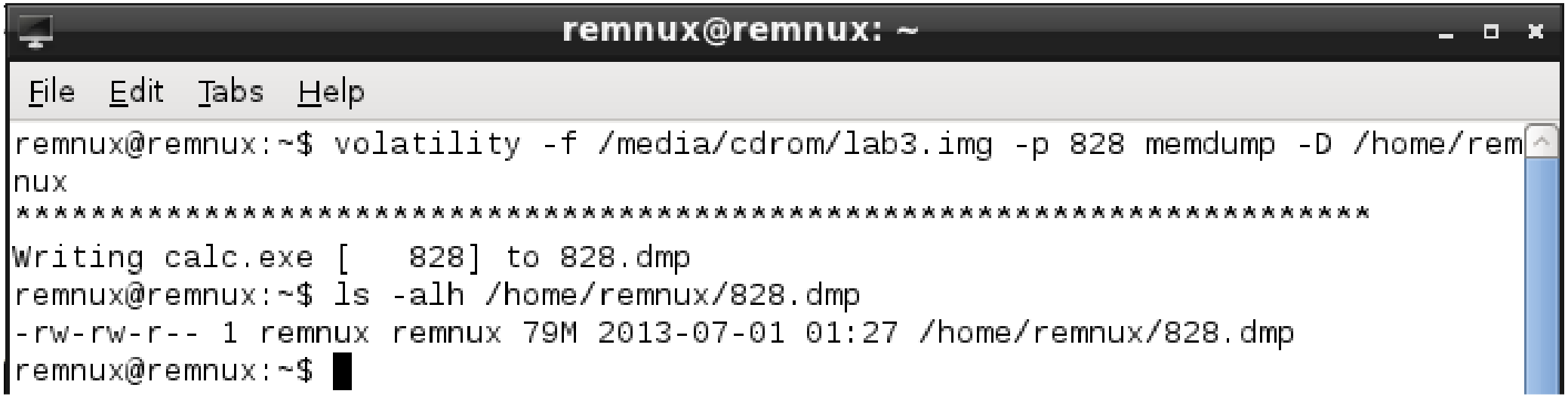
- Memdump : Provides memory image of a process



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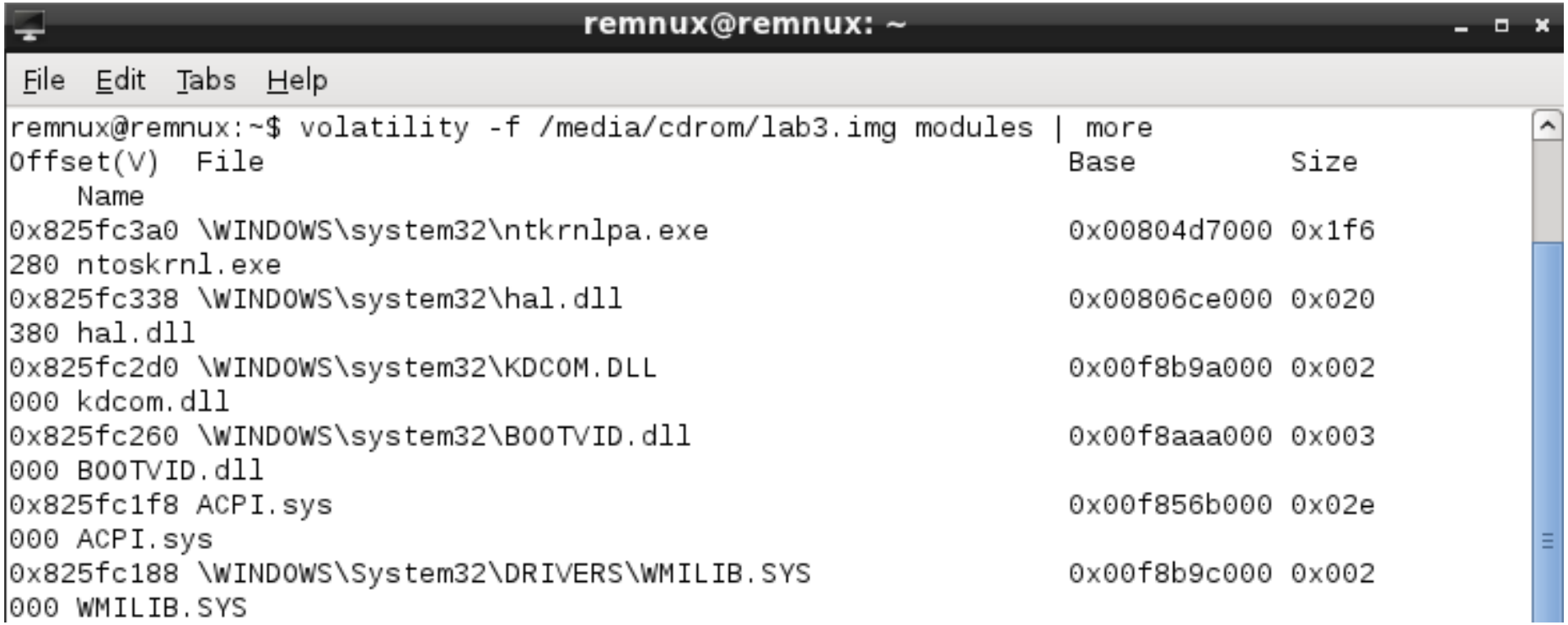
- Modules : Shows uploaded library modules in kernel



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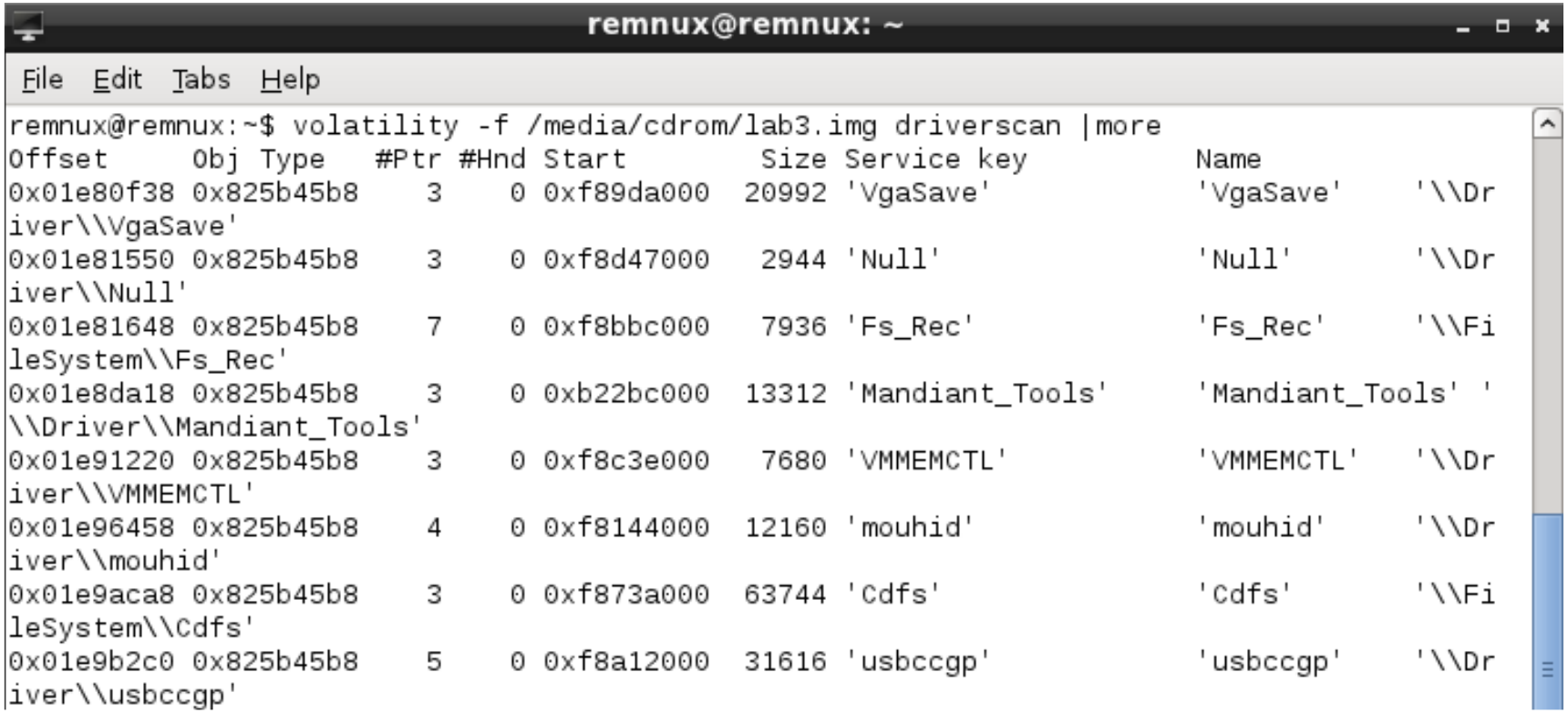
- Driverscan : Shows installed drivers for memory



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- Apihooks : Shows possible hooked processes

```
remnux@remnux:~$ volatility -f /media/cdrom/lab3.img apihooks > /tmp/apihooks.txt
remnux@remnux:~$ notepad /tmp/apihooks.txt
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File Edit Search View Tools Options Language Buffers Help

apihooks.txt

```
Name                          Type     Target                                  Value
svchost.exe[848]              inline   kernel32.dll!0x2a4[0x7c80180eL]         0x7c80180e JMP 0x7fe63a74 ↵
   ↳(UNKNOWN)
svchost.exe[848]              inline   kernel32.dll!0x343[0x7c81e950L]         0x7c81e950 CALL ↵
   ↳[0x7c801520] =>> 0x7c90ea47
svchost.exe[1024]             inline   kernel32.dll!ReadFile[0x7c80180eL]      0x7c80180e JMP 0x7ff83a74 ↵
   ↳(UNKNOWN)
svchost.exe[1024]             inline   ntdll.dll!0x7b[0x7c90d682L]             0x7c90d682 JMP 0x7ff8488d ↵
   ↳(UNKNOWN)
svchost.exe[1024]             inline   ntdll.dll!0x9a[0x7c90d8e3L]             0x7c90d8e3 JMP 0x7ff845f7 ↵
   ↳(UNKNOWN)
svchost.exe[1024]             inline   ntdll.dll!0x9f[0x7c90d94cL]             0x7c90d94c JMP 0x7ff83e1c ↵
   ↳(UNKNOWN)
```

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- Vaddump : Acquisition of particular memory dump

Example

- Zeus.vmem