Lab 3: Malware analysis

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Questions to Answer

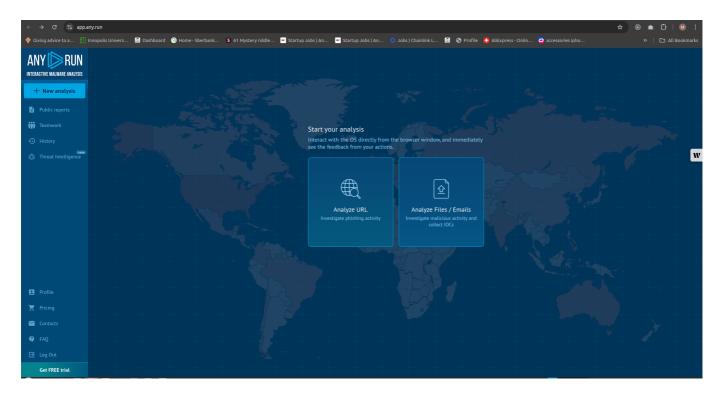
1. Preparation

Choose a sandboxing solution, some recommended ones includes the following.

- Cuckoo (Bonus point if you set up Cuckoo in an isolated VM)
- Hybrid Analysis
- Any.run
- Intezer Analyze
- Joe Sandbox

Solution:

I will choose third choice Any.run as we practice with it during lab. I created an account on it. here is the screenshot of it:



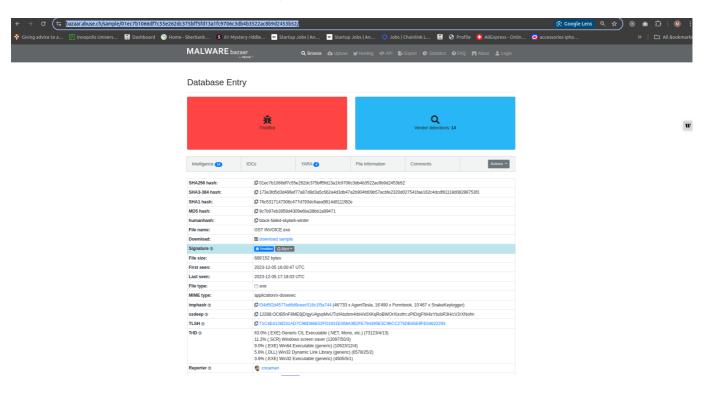
2. Let's get some malware

Select a malware that you want to analyse in the sandbox selected in step 1.

- You can download some malware/ransomware from the internet. For example TheZoo,
 MalwareBazaar Database. You can also check your email for any spam with malicious attachment.
- Don't select the same malware used in the classwork.
- Be careful when you run them, these are real malware.

Solution:

I searched in the MalwareBazaar Database, and I will use this Malware



MalwareBazaar Database

This page let you download the following malware sample: SHA256 01ec7b1066df7c55e262dc375bff5fd13a1fc9706c3db4b3522ac8b9d2453b52



3. Sandbox analysis

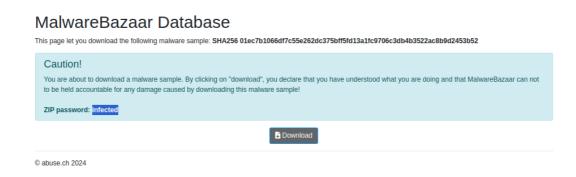
Run your malware in the sandbox.

- See what kind of traces, artifacts, connections your sandbox detects.
- Analyze the behavior of the malware, and write about what the malware does and the goals of the malware.

• Does the malware have some sandbox detection? If yes, try to detect and defeat the techniques used for that.

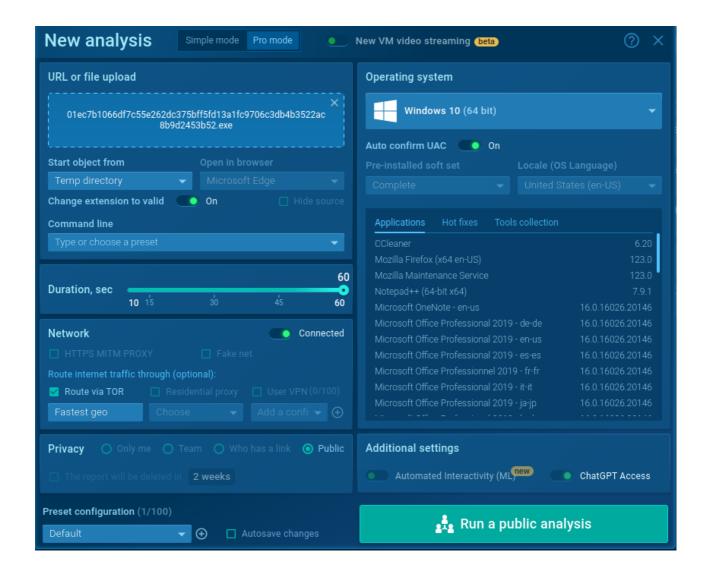
Solution:

1. Firstly I downloaded the malware as zip, unzip, upload the file to the Any.run, and I will set the configuration:

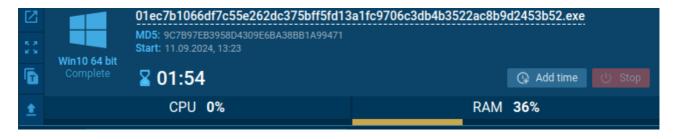


• after unzip it:

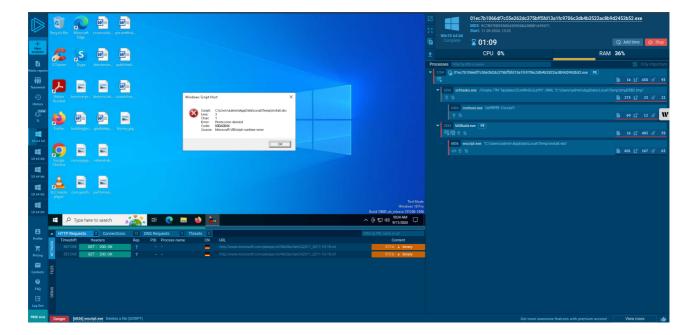




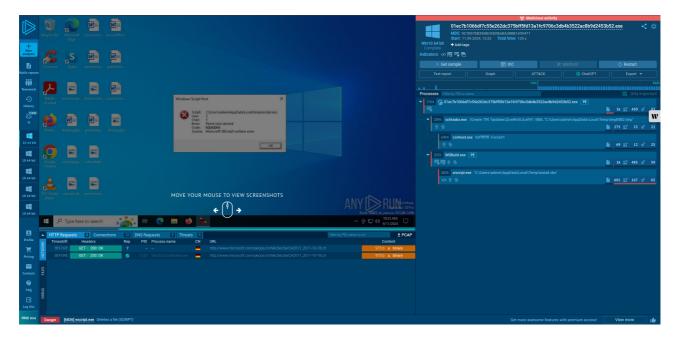
• we add more time for analyzing.



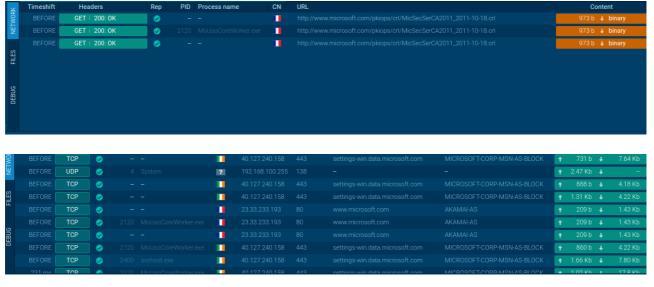
· proccessing:

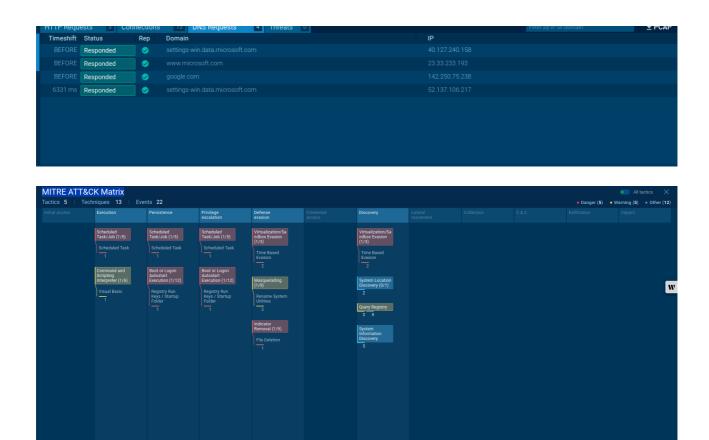


• after processing:



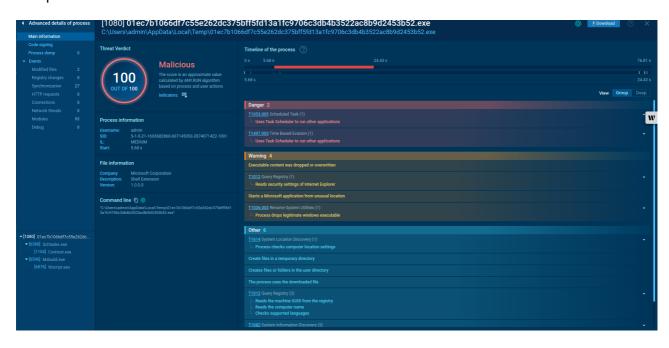
1. connections:



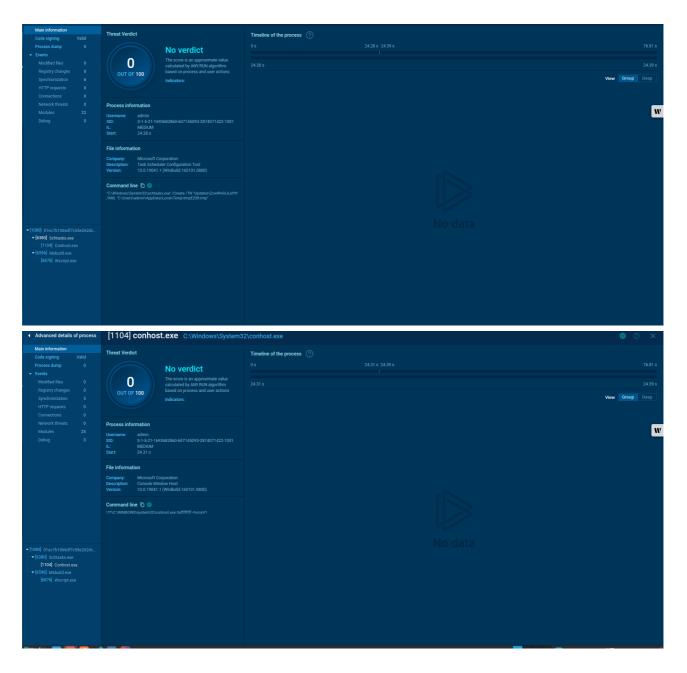


2. while monitoring the process:

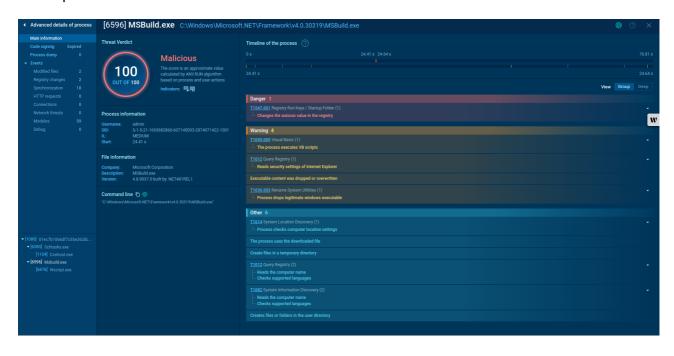
• first process:



• second and third process:



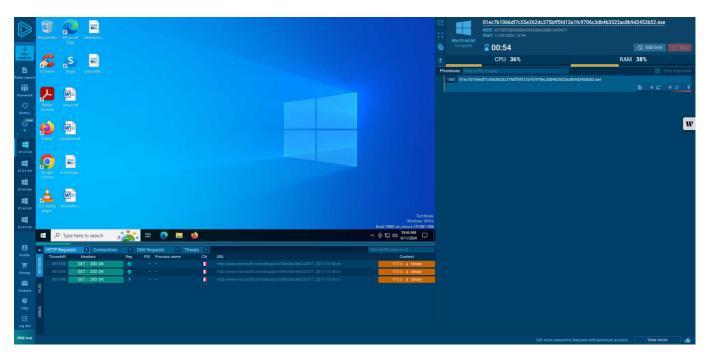
• fourth process:

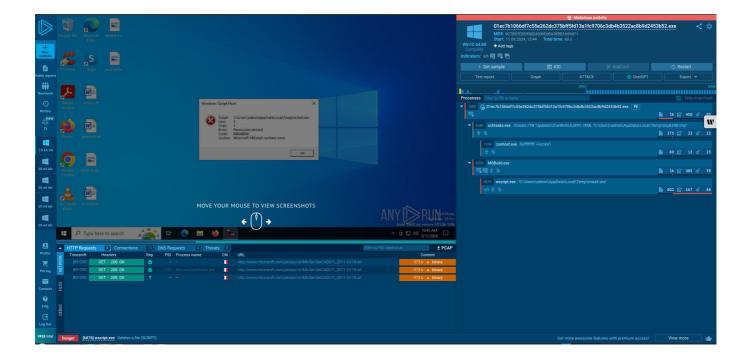


• fifth process it's trying to sleep to evasion detection, but we got it with increasing the time and without it:



3. I run it without more time, and I got same results. So the malware didn't have sandbox detection.





4. Links to reports generated by the tool:

Any.run

Without increasing the time With increasing the time

4. Remediation

• Suggest remediation actions for eradicating the malware from compromised endpoints. Include this in your malware analysis report.

Note that generic recommendations will not be accepted. You need to suggest very specific steps that align with the results from your analysis.

For example:

- Remove the executable dropped at C:\Program Files\dotnet\malware.exe 🔽
- Remove the dropped executable X Another example:
- Create a rule on the network firewall to block IP address xx.xx.xx.xx 🗸
- Create a firewall rule X

Solution:

- 1. Remove the executable dropped at C:\Users\admin\AppData\Local\Temp\01ec7b1066df7c55e262dc375bff5fd13a1fc9706c3db4b3522a c8b9d2453b52.exe
- 2. kill this secduled task Updates\ZcwWvGIJLelYh

Image: C:\Windows\SysWOW64\schtasks.exe

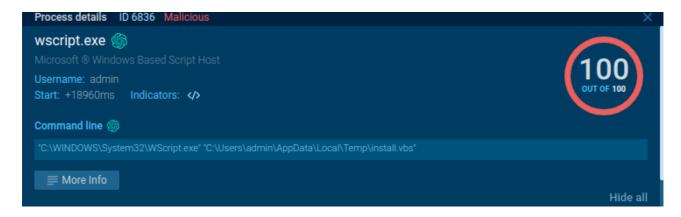
Cmdline: "C:\Windows\System32\schtasks.exe" / Create / TN "Updates\ZcwWvGIJLelYh"

/XML "C:\Users\admin\AppData\Local\Temp\tmpE8B2.tmp"

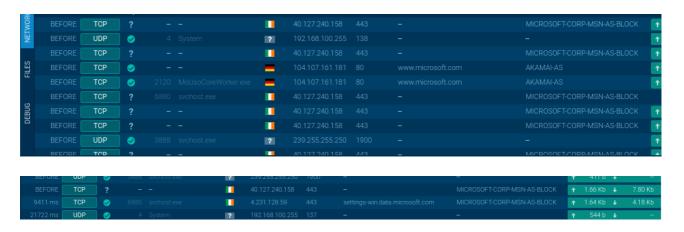
3. restart the configuration C:\Users\admin\AppData\Roaming\vkl.exe" to its previous value or defualt one.



4. Remove the script files "C:\Users\admin\AppData\Local\Temp\install.vbs"



5. Create a rule on the network firewall to block IP address 40.127.240.158 which has unknown Rep with process name: svchost.exe or null



6. Create a rule on the network firewall to block IP address 239.255.250 which has unknown CN with process name: svchost.exe or null

