

## 3.0.3 Lab - Identify Running Processes



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### Objectives

In this lab, you will use TCP/UDP Endpoint Viewer, a tool in Windows Sysinternals Suite used to identify any running processes on your computer.

**Part 1: Start TCP/UDP Endpoint Viewer.**

**Part 2: Explore the running processes.**

**Part 3: Explore a user-started process.**

### Background / Scenario

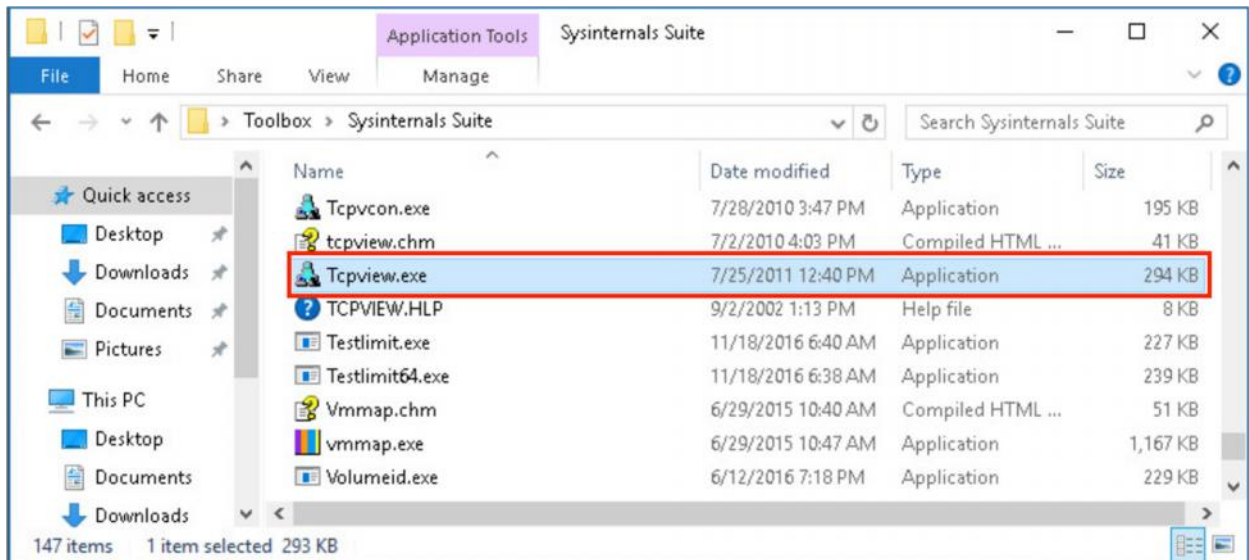
In this lab, you will explore processes. Processes are programs or applications in execution. You will explore the processes using Process Explorer in the Windows Sysinternals Suite. You will also start and observe a new process.

### Instructions

#### Part 1: Start TCP/UDP Endpoint Viewer.

- a. Access the **WinClient** machine. Unlock the machine by clicking on the drop-down arrow for that specific machine's tab and select **Send CTRL+ALT+DEL**.
- b. Login as the **Administrator** using **cyberops** as the password.
- c. Navigate to the **Toolbox** folder located on the Desktop and then double-click the **Sysinternals Suite** folder.
- d. Locate and double-click the **Tcpview.exe** application file. Accept the *TCPView License Agreement* when prompted. If prompted, click **Yes** to allow this app to make changes to your device.

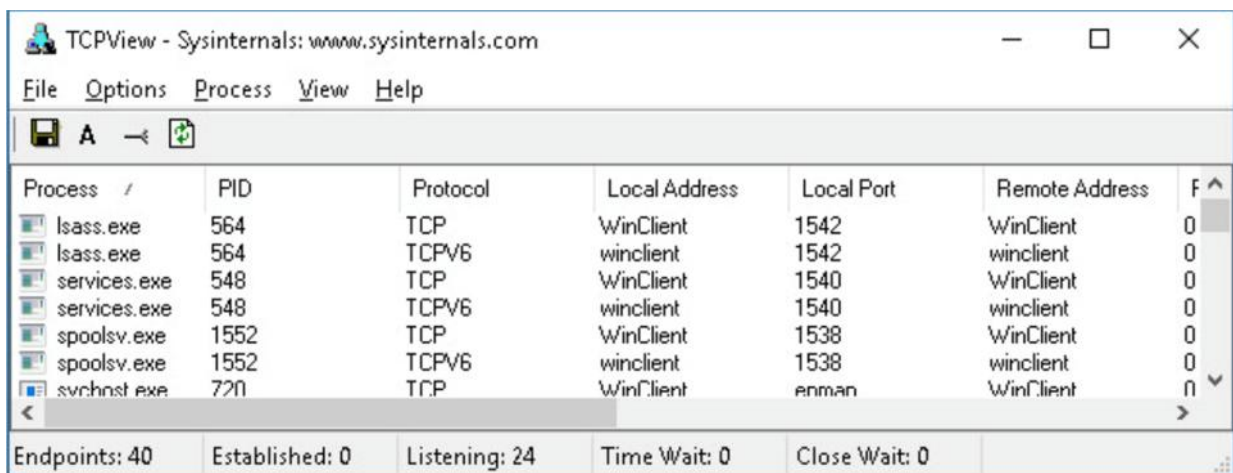
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- e. Exit the **File Explorer** application. Leave the *TCPView* application open.

## Part 2: Explore the running processes.

- a. TCPView lists the process that are currently on your Windows PC. At this time, only Windows processes are running.



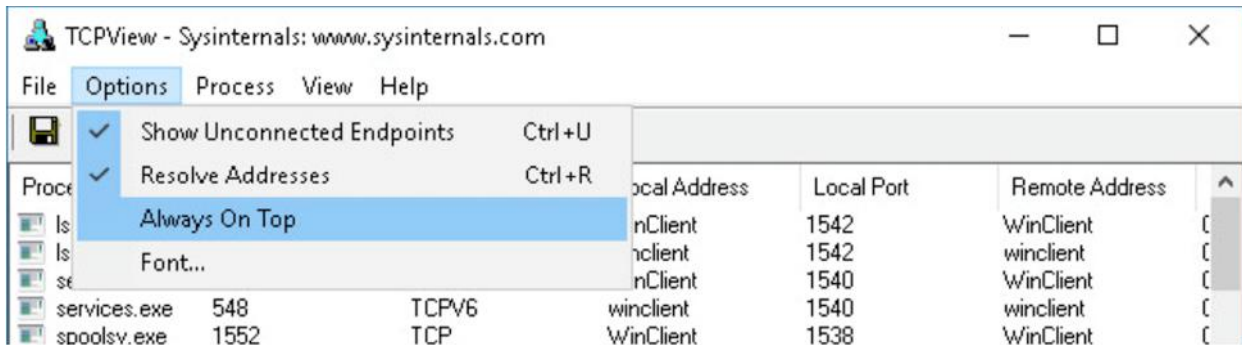
- b. Double-click **lsass.exe**.  
What is lsass.exe? In what folder is it located?

- c. Click **OK** to close the properties window for lsass.exe when done.  
d. View the properties for the other running processes.

**Note:** Not all processes can be queried for properties information. For example, double-click on one of the System processes.

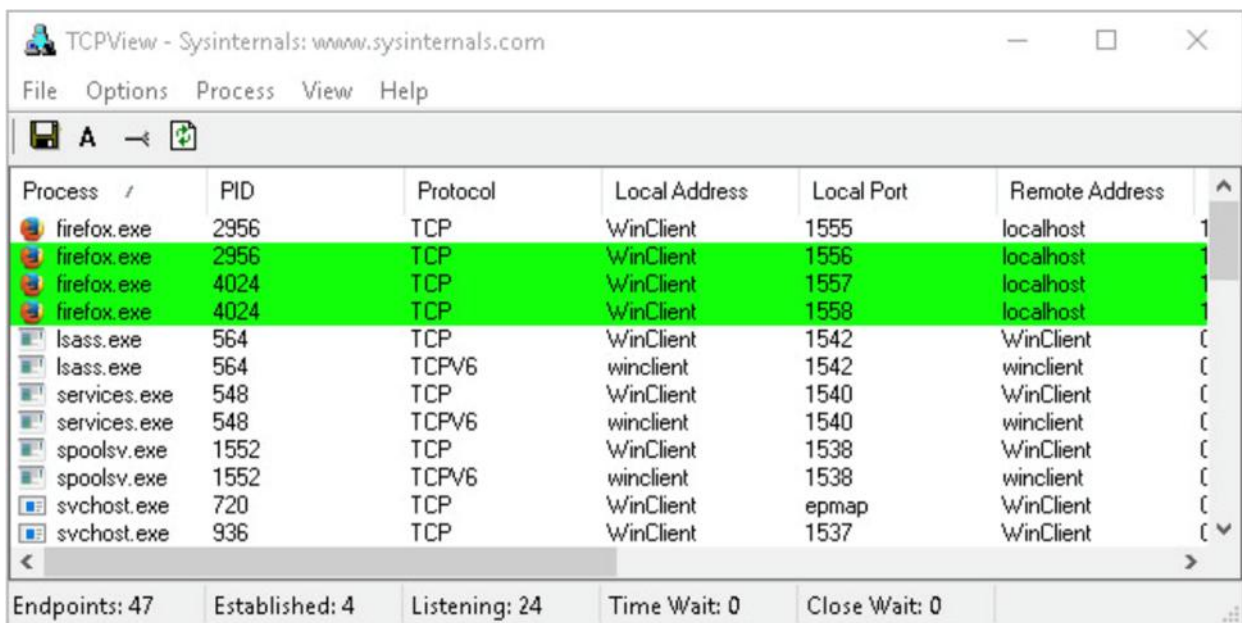
#### Part 3: Explore a user-started process.

- a. In the TCPView window, click the **Options** dropdown menu, check **Always On Top** option.



- b. Open the **Mozilla Firefox** web browser.

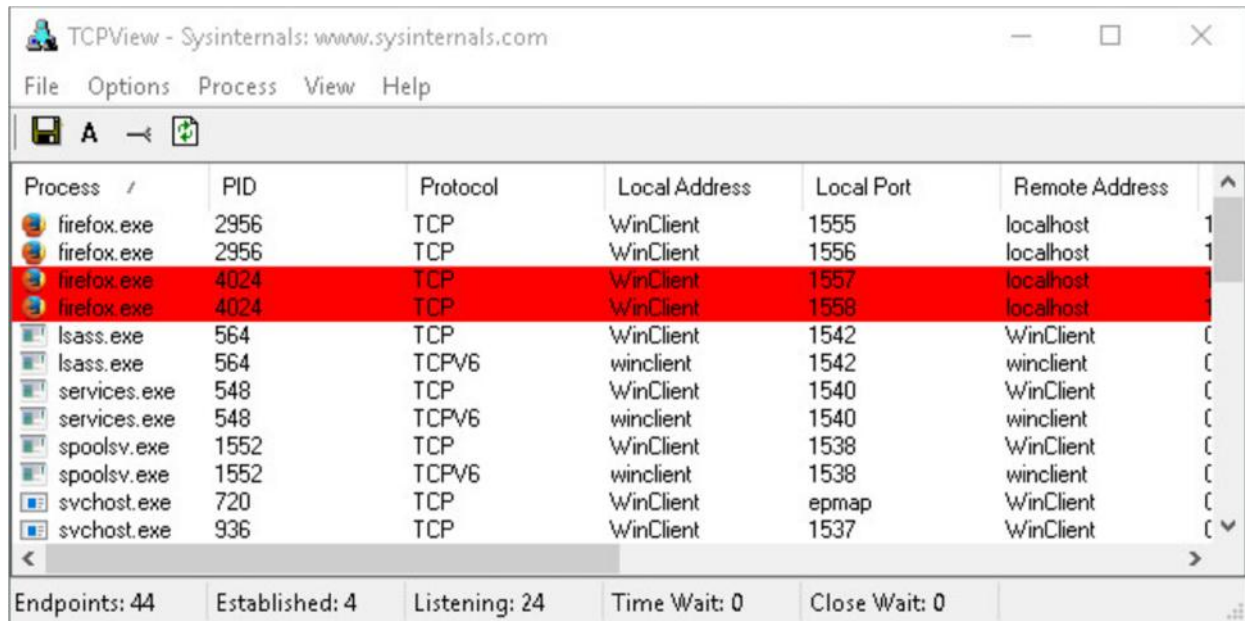
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- c. Close the web browser.

What did you observe in the TCPView window?

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The screenshot shows the TCPView application window from Sysinternals. The title bar reads 'TCPView - Sysinternals: www.sysinternals.com'. The menu bar includes 'File', 'Options', 'Process', 'View', and 'Help'. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for saving, printing, and refreshing. The main area is a table with the following columns: Process, PID, Protocol, Local Address, Local Port, Remote Address, and a final column with a small icon. The table lists several processes, with four instances of 'firefox.exe' highlighted in red. These instances have PIDs 2956, 2956, 4024, and 4024, all using TCP protocol, and are in a 'WinClient' state. Their local ports are 1555, 1556, 1557, and 1558, and they are all connected to 'localhost'. Other processes listed include 'lsass.exe' (PIDs 564, 564), 'services.exe' (PIDs 548, 548), 'spoolsv.exe' (PIDs 1552, 1552), 'svchost.exe' (PIDs 720, 936), and 'svchost.exe' (PID 936). The bottom status bar shows 'Endpoints: 44', 'Established: 4', 'Listening: 24', 'Time Wait: 0', and 'Close Wait: 0'.

Process	PID	Protocol	Local Address	Local Port	Remote Address	
firefox.exe	2956	TCP	WinClient	1555	localhost	1
firefox.exe	2956	TCP	WinClient	1556	localhost	1
firefox.exe	4024	TCP	WinClient	1557	localhost	1
firefox.exe	4024	TCP	WinClient	1558	localhost	1
lsass.exe	564	TCP	WinClient	1542	WinClient	(
lsass.exe	564	TCPV6	winclient	1542	winclient	(
services.exe	548	TCP	WinClient	1540	WinClient	(
services.exe	548	TCPV6	winclient	1540	winclient	(
spoolsv.exe	1552	TCP	WinClient	1538	WinClient	(
spoolsv.exe	1552	TCPV6	winclient	1538	winclient	(
svchost.exe	720	TCP	WinClient	epmap	WinClient	(
svchost.exe	936	TCP	WinClient	1537	WinClient	(

Endpoints: 44   Established: 4   Listening: 24   Time Wait: 0   Close Wait: 0

- d. Reopen the web browser. Research some of the processes listed in TCPView. Record your findings.