

RustReaper

RustReaper is a powerful, cross-platform memory forensic analyzer designed to detect malware artifacts in memory dumps or live processes. Built with Rust for performance and safety, it supports Windows, Linux, and macOS, offering both a command-line interface (CLI) and a web-based graphical user interface (GUI) for real-time analysis. RustReaper excels in identifying hooks, shellcode, encrypted payloads, and other suspicious patterns using YARA rules, entropy analysis, and disassembly.

Features

Cross-Platform Support: Analyzes memory on Windows (VirtualQueryEx), Linux (/proc), and macOS (Mach APIs).

Flexible Analysis Modes:

quick: Fast scanning for common artifacts.

deep: Comprehensive analysis with YARA and entropy.

stealth: Low-impact scanning for live systems.

Dynamic YARA Rules: Load custom rules for tailored malware detection.

Real-Time GUI: React-based interface with dual progress bars (parsing/analysis) and artifact visualization.

SQLite Storage: Persists artifacts for consolidated reporting.

Report Generation: Outputs in JSON and HTML formats with context data.

Unconventional Tactics:

Real-time artifact streaming to GUI via WebSocket.

Placeholder for ML-based anomaly detection (entropy thresholds).

Memory snapshot diffing (planned).

Architecture

RustReaper is modular, with the following components:

main.rs: CLI entry point, orchestrates parsing, analysis, and reporting.

parser.rs: Extracts memory regions from dumps or live processes.

analyzer.rs: Detects artifacts using YARA, disassembly, and entropy.

output.rs: Generates JSON/HTML reports.

models.rs: Defines MemoryRegion and Artifact structs.

gui_server.rs: Actix-web server for the React GUI.

web/: React SPA with Tailwind CSS for visualization.

rules/: YARA rules for malware pattern matching.

Installation

Prerequisites

Rust: Version 1.70+ (install via rustup).

SQLite:

Windows: Install via winget install SQLite.SQLite.

Ubuntu: sudo apt-get install libsqlite3-dev.

macOS: brew install sqlite.

Web Browser: For GUI (Chrome, Firefox recommended).

Optional: Docker for isolated builds.

Beginner Setup

Option 1: Download Pre-Built Binary

Visit the Releases page.

Download the zip/tarball for your platform (e.g., rustreaper--windows.zip).

Extract to a directory (e.g., C:\RustReaper or ~/rustreaper).

Run the binary:

Windows: .\rustreaper.exe --help

Linux/macOS: ./rustreaper --help

Option 2: Build from Source

Clone the repository:
git clone https://github.com/SunnyThakur25/rustreaper.git
cd rustreaper

Run the build script:

Windows (PowerShell):.\build.ps1

Linux/macOS:chmod +x build.sh
./build.sh

Find the binary and assets in dist/:

Run: dist/rustreaper --help (or dist\rustreaper.exe).

Advanced Setup

Custom Build

Install Rust nightly for advanced features:
rustup install nightly
rustup default nightly

Clone and build with custom flags:
git clone https://github.com/SunnyThakur25/rustreaper.git
cd rustreaper
cargo build --release --features "advanced-ml"

Cross-compile (e.g., for Windows on Linux):
rustup target add x86_64-pc-windows-gnu
cargo build --release --target x86_64-pc-windows-gnu

Docker Setup

Build the Docker image:
docker build -t rustreaper .

Run in a container:
docker run -p 8080:8080 -v \$(pwd)/dumps:/dumps rustreaper

Dockerfile Example:

FROM rust:1.70

WORKDIR /usr/src/rustreaper

COPY . .

RUN apt-get update && apt-get install -y libsqlite3-dev

RUN cargo build --release

EXPOSE 8080

CMD ["target/release/rustreaper", "serve"]

Usage

CLI Commands

Run rustreaper --help for details. Key commands:

Analyze a Memory Dump:

```
rustreaper analyze ./dump.bin --yara-rules ./rules/rules.yara --profile deep --output-dir ./reports
```

Output: JSON report in ./reports/memory_analysis.json.

Scan a Live Process:

```
rustreaper scan --live --pid 1234 --profile stealth
```

Output: JSON report in ./reports/live_scan_1234.json.

Generate Consolidated Report:

```
rustreaper report --format html --include-context
```

Output: HTML report in ./reports/consolidated_report.html.

Start GUI Server:

```
rustreaper serve --addr 0.0.0.0:8080
```

Access: <http://localhost:8080>.

List Profiles:

```
rustreaper profiles
```

GUI Usage

Start the server: `rustreaper serve`

Open <http://localhost:8080> in a browser.

Features:

Dual progress bars for parsing and analysis.

Interactive artifact table with type filtering.

Download JSON reports via the "Download Report" button.

Sample YARA Rule (rules/rules.yara)

```
rule shellcode {  
  meta:  
    description = "Common shellcode patterns"  
    strings:  
      $xor_decrypt = { 80 30 ?? 40 }  
      $get_pc = { E8 00 00 00 00 5? }  
      $syscall = { 0F 05 }  
    condition:  
      any of them  
}
```

Sample Memory Dump

Generate a sample dump for testing:

Linux/macOS

```
dd if=/dev/urandom of=sample_dump.bin bs=4K count=1
```

Windows (PowerShell)

```
$sampleData = [byte[]]::new(0x1000); 0..0xFF | % { $sampleData[$_] = Get-Random -Max 256 };  
[System.IO.File]::WriteAllBytes("sample_dump.bin", $sampleData)
```

Modifications

Code Structure

Extend YARA Rules:

Add rules to rules/rules.yara.

Test with rustreaper verify-yara ./rules/rules.yara (requires implementation).

Add New Artifact Types:

Update models.rs to include new ArtifactType variants.

Modify analyzer.rs to detect new patterns.

Enhance GUI:

Edit web/static/ProgressBar.jsx for new visualizations (e.g., entropy graphs).

Update gui_server.rs for additional WebSocket messages.

ML Integration:

Add a dependency (e.g., tch-rs for PyTorch).

Implement anomaly detection in analyzer.rs (e.g., neural network for entropy patterns).

Example: Adding a New Artifact Type

Update models.rs:#[derive(Debug, Serialize, Deserialize, PartialEq)]

```
pub enum ArtifactType {
```

```
// Existing types...
```

```
CustomMalware,
```

```
}
```

Update analyzer.rs:fn detect_custom_malware(&self, region: &MemoryRegion) -> Result<Vec, AnalysisError> {

```
let mut artifacts = Vec::new();
```

```
if region.data.contains(&b"CUSTOM_PATTERN"[..]) {
```

```
artifacts.push(Artifact {
```

```
address: region.base_address,
```

```
artifact_type: ArtifactType::CustomMalware,
```

```
description: "Custom malware pattern detected".to_string(),
```

```
confidence: 0.9,
```

```
entropy: None,
```

```
context: None,
```

```
});  
}  
Ok(artifacts)  
}
```

Call in `analyze_internal:artifacts.extend(self.detect_custom_malware(region)?);`

Building Modifications

Rebuild after changes: `./build.sh #` or `.\build.ps1`

Test modifications: `cargo test`

Contributing

Fork the repository.

Create a feature branch (`git checkout -b feature/new-feature`).

Commit changes (`git commit -m "Add new feature"`).

Push to the branch (`git push origin feature/new-feature`).

Open a pull request.

Please follow the Code of Conduct and include tests for new features.

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For issues or questions, open a ticket on GitHub.