

Forensics Project

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Script Breakdown

1. Shebang and Function Definition

- **Shebang:** The script starts with `#!/bin/bash`, indicating it should be executed using the Bash shell.



2. START Function

Purpose: Checks if the script is run as root and verifies the existence of a file specified by the user.

- **Root Check:** Verifies if the user has root privileges. If not, the script exits.
- **File Check:** Prompts the user for a file name and checks its existence, notifying the user if it's missing.
- **User Experience:** Introduces a 3-second delay between operations for readability.

```
function START ()
{
    # Check the current user; exit if not 'root'
    if [ "$(whoami)" = "root" ]; then
        echo "You are root"
    else
        echo "[*] You are not root!!! exiting ..."
        exit
    fi

    sleep 3

    # Allow the user to specify the filename; check if the file exists.
    read -p "[*] Enter the file you want to analyze: " FILE # this condition checks if the file exists
    if [ -f "$FILE" ]
    then
        echo "[*] File exists"
    else
        echo "[*] File does not exist"
    fi

    sleep 3
}
```

3. TOOLS Function

Purpose: Ensures the presence of essential forensic tools, installing them if missing.

- **Tool Checks:** Uses `dpkg -l` to verify installation of `bulk_extractor`, `binwalk`, and `foremost`.
- **Installation:** Installs missing tools using `apt-get`.

```
function TOOLS ()
{
# Create a function to install the forensics tools if missing.
# Checking to see if bulk_extractor is installed

BULK_EXTRACTOR=$(dpkg -l | grep 'bulk-extractor' | awk '{print $2}')

# Check if the BULK_EXTRACTOR variable is empty
if [ -z "$BULK_EXTRACTOR" ]; then
    echo "installing bulk_extractor"

    sudo apt-get install -y bulk-extractor
else
    echo "[*] Bulk_extractor is already installed"

fi

sleep 3
```

```
# Checking to see if binwalk is installed

BINWALK=$(dpkg -l | grep "binwalk" | head -n1 | awk '{print $2}')

# Check if the BINWALK variable is empty
if [ -z "$BINWALK" ]; then
    echo "installing binwalk"

    sudo apt-get install -y binwalk
else
    echo "[*] Binwalk is already installed"

fi

sleep 3

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FOREMOST=$(dpkg -l | grep "foremost" | head -n1 | awk '{print $2}')

# Check if the FOREMOST variable is empty
if [ -z "$FOREMOST" ]
then
    echo "installing foremost"

    sudo apt-get install -y foremost
else
    echo "[*] Foremost is already installed"

fi

sleep 3
}
```

4. CARVERS Function

Purpose: Utilizes forensic carvers to extract data from the specified file.

- **Binwalk:** Extracts files into the `BINWALK` directory.
- **Foremost:** Extracts files into the `FOREMOST` directory.

```
function CARVERS ()  
  
# Use different carvers to automatically extract data  
  
# Data should be saved into a directory,  
  
B{  
  
    rm -rf BINWALK  
    echo "[*] Files extracted with binwalk being saved to BINWALK directory"  
    binwalk -e --run-as=root -C BINWALK $FILE # --run-as=root is being added to this command because some memory files require this command when using Binwalk  
  
    sleep 3  
  
    rm -rf FOREMOST  
    echo "[*] Files extracted with foremost being saved to FOREMOST directory"  
    foremost -o FOREMOST $FILE  
  
    sleep 3  
}
```

5. ANALYZE Function

Purpose: Analyzes the file for network traffic and other data.

- **Bulk Extractor:** Extracts data into the `BULK` directory.
- **Network File Check:** Searches for `packets.pcap` in the `BULK` directory, copying it to `/tmp/`. Reports its existence and size if found.

```
function ANALYZE ()
{
    # Attempt to extract network traffic; if found, display to the user the location and size
    rm -rf BULK
    echo "[*] Files extracted with bulk_extractor being saved to BULK directory"
    sleep 3
    bulk_extractor -o BULK $FILE
    cp BULK/packets.pcap /tmp/

    sleep 3
    if [ -f /tmp/packets.pcap ] # check if packets.pcap exists
    then
        echo "[*] Found Network File > Saved into /tmp/packets1.pcap1 [Size:${ls -lh /tmp/ | grep packets.pcap | awk '{print $5}')] "
    else
        echo "[*] No Network files found"
    fi

    # binwalk and foremost do not typically extract network files

    sleep 3
}
```

6. STRINGS Function

Purpose: Extracts human-readable strings and checks for specific evidence.

- **String Extraction:** Uses `strings` to identify and categorize text within the file.
- **Evidence Check:** Searches for mentions of "Syria" and "Iran" to flag potential relevance.

```
function STRINGS () {  
  
    # Check for human-readable (exe files, passwords, usernames, etc.).  
    rm Strings_*  
  
    echo "[*] human readable files being saved to current directory"  
  
    strings $FILE | grep -i 'exe' > Strings_exe  
    strings $FILE | grep -i 'password' > Strings_password  
    strings $FILE | grep -i 'user' > Strings_username  
    strings $FILE | grep -i 'http' > Strings_http  
    strings $FILE | grep -i '@' > Strings_email  
}
```

```
# Checking for any evidence file went through Syria at any point  
echo "[*] Checking for any evidence file went through Syria at any point"  
sleep 3  
SYRIA=$(strings $FILE | grep -i "Syria")  
if [ -z "$SYRIA" ]; then  
    echo "[*] No evidence found that file has been in Syria at any point"  
else  
    echo "[*] Please note that there is suspicion file may have been in Syria at some point that must be further investigated."  
    strings $FILE | grep -i 'syria'  
fi  
  
sleep 3
```

```
sleep 3  
  
# Checking for any evidence file went through Iran at any point  
echo "[*] Checking for any evidence file went through Iran at any point"  
sleep 3  
IRAN=$(strings $FILE | grep -i "Iran")  
if [ -z "$IRAN" ]; then  
    echo "[*] No evidence found that file has been in Iran at any point"  
else  
    echo "[*] Please note that there is suspicion file may have been in Iran at some point that must be further investigated."  
    strings $FILE | grep -i 'iran'  
fi  
}  
  
sleep 3
```

7. VOLATILITY Function

Purpose: Analyzes memory files using Volatility.

- **Memory File Check:** Uses `imageinfo` to verify if the file is a memory image.
- **Profile and Analysis:** Suggests profiles and conducts analysis of processes, network connections, registry hives, browser history, and user activity.

```
function VOLATILITY ()
{
    # Check if the file can be analyzed in Volatility; if yes, run Volatility

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    # Capture the output of the imageinfo command
    OUTPUT=$(./vol -f "$FILE" imageinfo 2>/dev/null)

    # Check if "No suggestion" is present in the output
    if echo "$OUTPUT" | grep -q "No suggestion"
    then
        echo "[*] This is not a memory file ... exiting"
        exit 1
    else
        echo "[*] This is a memory file"
    fi

    # Find the memory profile and save it into a variable
    PROFILES=$(./vol -f $FILE imageinfo 2>/dev/null | grep "Suggested Profile(s)" | awk -F: ' '{print $2}' ' | sed 's/(.*)//g' | sed 's/,//g')
    sleep 6
    echo "[*] Suggested profiles found: $PROFILES"
```

```
# Display the running processes

echo "[*] Displaying running processes of the file"
sleep 6
./vol -f $FILE pslist 2>/dev/null

# Display network connections

echo "[*] The memory file's suggested profiles have the following network connections"
sleep 6
./vol -f $FILE --profile=$PROFILES connscan 2>/dev/null

# Attempt to extract registry information

# Displaying the registry files
echo "[*] Identifying and displaying the registry hives of the memory file's suggested profiles"
sleep 6
./vol -f $FILE --profile=$PROFILES hivelist 2>/dev/null
```

```
# Displaying Internet Explorer history stores in the memory file
echo "[*] Identifying and displaying Internet Explorer history stored in the memory file"
sleep 6
./vol -f $FILE --profile=$PROFILES iehistory 2>/dev/null

# Displaying activity and frequently used applications stored in the memory file
echo "[*] Identifying and displaying activity and frequently used applications stored in the memory file"
sleep 6
./vol -f $FILE --profile=$PROFILES userassist 2>/dev/null

sleep 3

-}
```

8. STATISTICS Function

Purpose: Summarizes statistical information and generates a compressed report.

- **Metrics:**
 - Counts directories, .txt files, and XML files, recording results in analysis_report.txt.
 - Identifies and quantifies files matching the Strings* pattern.
- **Report Handling:**
 - Removes existing analysis_report.txt and analysis_report.zip.
 - Creates a new report and compresses it into analysis_report.zip.

```
function STATISTICS ()
{
    # Counting the number of directories created
    # Save all the results into a report (name, files extracted, etc.).

    rm analysis_report.txt
    rm -rf analysis_report.zip

    DIRECTORIES=$(find -type d | wc -l)
    echo "[*] total number of directories created and extracted is $DIRECTORIES" >> analysis_report.txt

    sleep 3

    # Counting the number of text files created
    TEXT=$(find -type f -name "*.txt" | wc -l)
    echo "[*] total number of text files extracted is $TEXT" >> analysis_report.txt

    sleep 3

    # Counting the number of string files created

    STRING=$(find -type f -name "Strings*" | wc -l)
    echo "[*] total number of string files extracted is $STRING" >> analysis_report.txt

    sleep 3
```

```
    sleep 3

    # Counting the number of xml files created
    XML=$(find -type f -name "*.xml" | wc -l)
    echo "[*] total number of xml files extracted is $XML" >> analysis_report.txt

    sleep 3

    # Zip the extracted files and the report file.

    rm -f analysis_report.zip
    zip analysis_report.zip analysis_report.txt

    echo "Results have been saved to analysis_report.txt and compressed to a zip file"

}

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```