Conducting Forensic Investigations on System Memory (4e)

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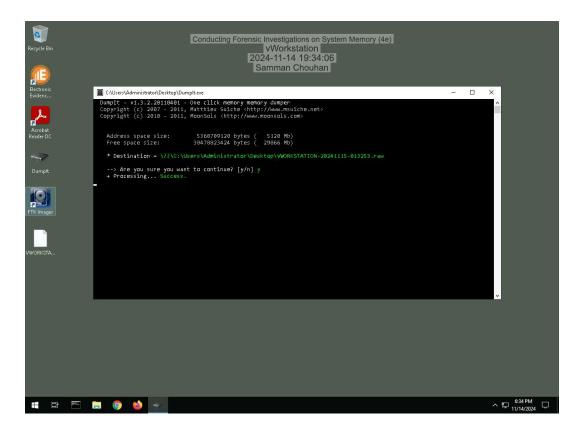
Time on Task: Progress:
1 hour, 33 minutes 100%

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Section 1: Hands-On Demonstration

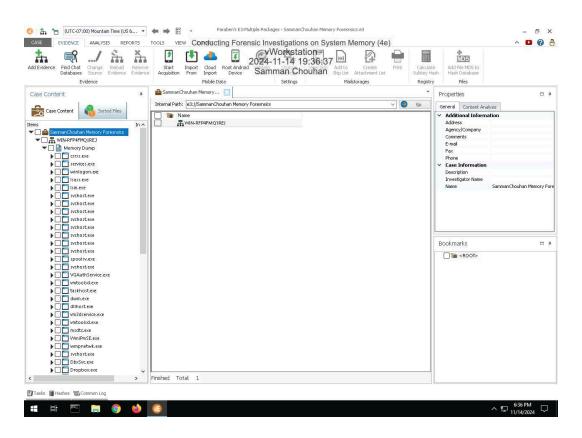
Part 1: Capture Memory using Dumplt

3. Make a screen capture showing the Dumplt success notification.



Part 2: Analyze Memory using E3

8. Make a screen capture showing the list of processes in the memory dump.



10. **Record** the start times for the oldest process and the newest process.

The First process system was started at 7/12/2021 at 4:24:29 AM , and the last process was started at 7/12/2021 6:42:43AM

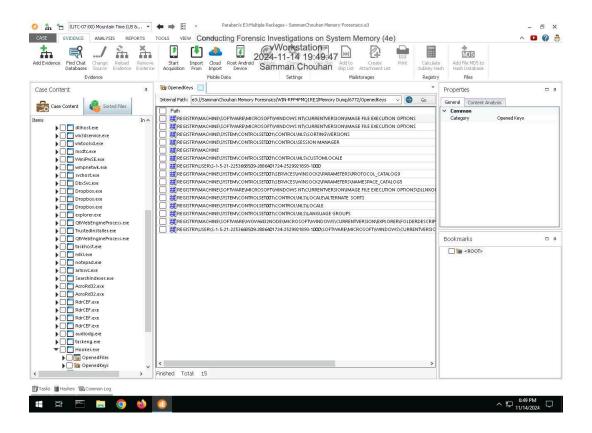
15. **Document** your findings for the conhost.exe process. What is it and what is it used for?

The conhost.exe (Console Windows Host) file is provided by Microsoft.Conhost.exe needs to run for Command Prompt to interface with File Explorer. One of its duties is to provide the ability to drag and drop files/folders directly into Command Prompt. Even third-party programs can use conhost.exe if they need access to the command line.

17. **Document** your findings for the hooker.exe process. What is it and what is it used for?

Hooker is a password and data stealing trojan. Being run it installs itself as KERN32.EXE (name may differ in different versions) into \Windows\System\ directory and modifies RunOnce key in the Registry to be run during next Windows session. When activated next time the trojan renews the RunOnce key, so it becomes active during all Windows sessions.

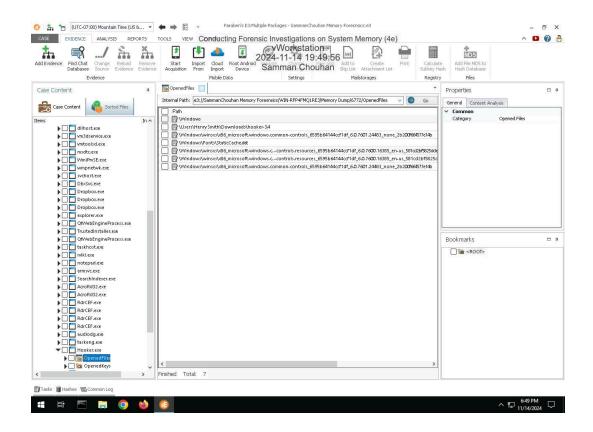
21. Make a screen capture showing the registry keys opened by the Hooker.exe process.



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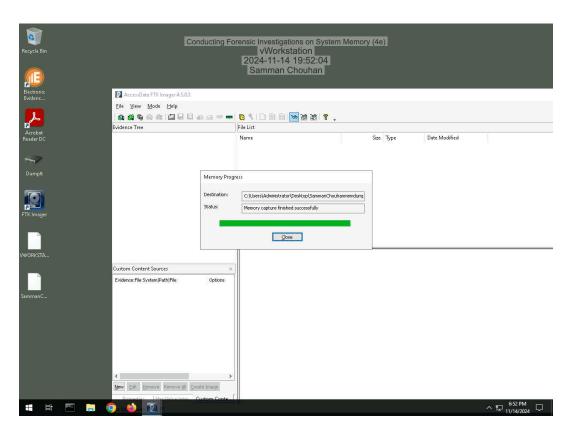
23. Make a screen capture showing the files opened by the hooker.exe process.



Section 2: Applied Learning

Part 1: Capture Memory using FTK Imager

6. Make a screen capture showing the Memory capture finished successfully confirmation.



Part 2: Analyze Memory using Volatility

7. **Document** your findings for the rvlkl.exe process. What is it and what is it used for?

The file rvlkl.exe is associated with Revealer Keylogger, a software developed by Logixoft designed to monitor and record keystrokes on a computer. This tool is often used for legitimate purposes, such as parental monitoring or employee activity tracking, but it can also be misused for malicious intent, such as unauthorized data collection or spying.

9. **Document** whether any processes are flagged as hidden.

the process hooker.exe seems to be hidden and is found malicious

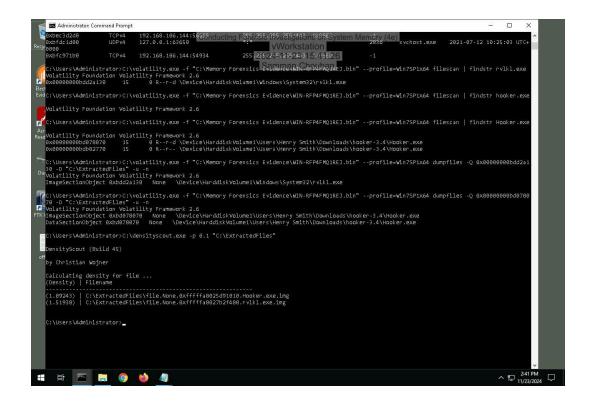
12. **Document** whether the netscan module displays network usage associated with the Hooker.exe or rvlkl.exe processes.

no the netscan module doesn't show any direct reference to the hooker.exe or rvlkl.exe module, even after searching with the same pid , i do not see anything , although i see -1 as a pid which is usually used foe undefined slots ,which i will investigate further

15. **Document** any information you were able to gather about port 56610.

Port 56610 is not assigned a specific purpose or service by the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA), which maintains a registry of officially recognized ports and their uses. Instead, it is part of the ephemeral port range, which typically spans ports 49152 through 65535. If you notice unusual activity involving port 56610, it could indicate malware, unauthorized access, or misconfigured software. Such ports are dynamically assigned by the operating system and used for private communication between software processes.

26. Make a screen capture showing the DensityScout results.



Section 3: Challenge and Analysis

Part 1: Identify Malicious Connections

Document the three processes that connected to 205.134.253.10:4444.

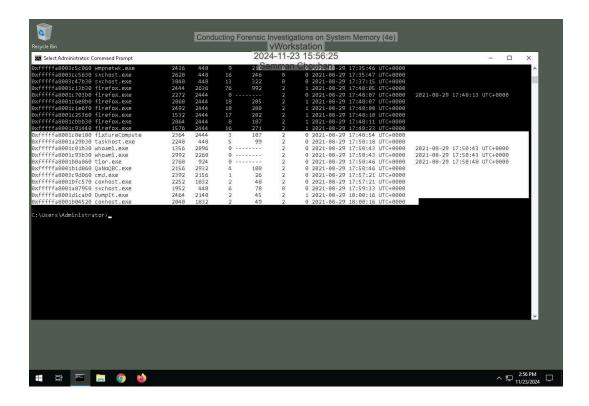
The three process that were found to be connected on 205.134.253.10:4444, were dllhost.exe ,QaNoQBC.exe and fixturecompute

Document the name and purpose of the software you discovered.

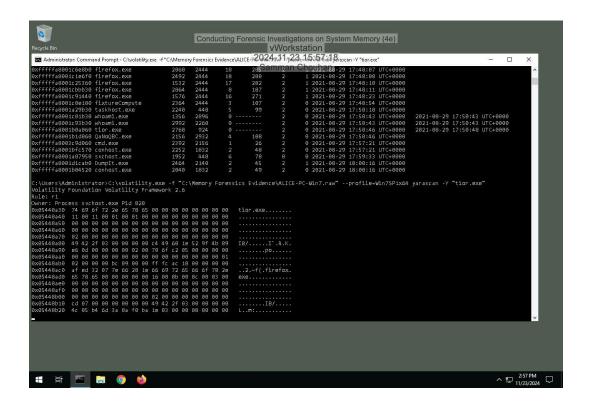
dllhost.exe is a legitimate Windows process, known as the COM Surrogate, that handles COM objects to ensure system stability, like generating thumbnails in Explorer. QaNoQBC.exe is not a recognized system file and likely indicates a custom application or potential malware requiring investigation. Similarly, fixturecompute appears to be an uncommon term or file, possibly related to computational or testing tasks, though it might also signify malicious activity.

Part 2: Identify Malicious Processes

Make a screen capture showing the fixtureComputer.exe process, and all those below it, in the pslist output.



Make a screen capture showing the output of the yarascan.



Part 3: Identify Privilege Escalation

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Make a screen capture showing the output of your privilege comparison.

