Vol-MsDecompress is a plugin to help forensics investigators recover compressed data in memory. Currently Vol-MsDecompress supports the lznt1 decompression algorithm, however xpress and xpress + huffman will be added soon. Vol-MsDecompress uses a slightly modified version of ms-compress (https://github.com/coderforlife/ms-compress). The modified version exports the lznt1\_decompress\_chunk function which Vol-MsDecompress uses to precisely decompress data. https://code.google.com/p/jamaal-re-tools/source/browse/volplugins/msdecompress/ms-voldecompress.zip)

#### **Install:**

- 1) Download ms-voldecompress.zip from the repository
- 2) Unzip the the file \$ unzip ms-voldecompress.zip
- 3) Build it

#### \$./build.sh

Compiling dynamic shared library...

In file included from lzx.cpp:22:0:

4) Check for the lib and its exports

# \$ ls -l libMSCompression.so

-rwxrwxr-x 1 ff ff 113000 Sep 30 22:25 libMSCompression.so

\$ nm -D libMSCompression.so | grep -i decompress

00000000000025d0 T decompress

0000000000003450 T lznt1 decompress

# 0000000000003080 T lznt1 decompress chunk

0000000000006540 T lzx cab decompress

000000000000000010 T lzx wim decompress

000000000011be0 T xpress decompress

000000000012d70 T xpress huff decompress

Copy **libMSCompression.so** to another location or just call it from its current location (next step will demonstrate)

- 5) Copy the msdecompress.py plugin to vols plugin directory
- 6) Example usage:

python vol.py msdecompress -f ../zeus.vmem -D out4 -P ~/projects/mchammer/

## libMSCompression.so -A lznt1 -C -M 5

#### **Options:**

- -P path to shared object
- -A algorithm to use
- -C Dump the compress data along with the decompress data blocks
- -M Specify the minimum compressed data to size to decompress in bytes (default is 20 bytes)

## Sample Output

Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x81008000, Offset: 0x0

Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x81009000, Offset: 0x4dc

Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x8100a000, Offset: 0x1fd

Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x8100b000, Offset: 0x49e

Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x8100c000, Offset: 0x702

Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x8100d000, Offset: 0x528

Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x8100e000, Offset: 0x321

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Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x81011000, Offset: 0x36c
Decompresing data for PID: 4, Process: System, Page: 0x81013000, Offset: 0x1b3
Sample Output file list out4 directory: 225 compressed steams were recovered using
LZNT1 for the Zeus.vmem sample.
-rw-rw-r-- 1 ff ff 4099 Sep 30 21:13
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# **Example Data**

Decompressed data recovered by the plugin can be found in the **msdecompress\_zeus.zip** file located at: https://code.google.com/p/jamaal-re-tools/source/browse/volplugins/msdecompress/msdecompress\_zeus.zip

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$ hexdump -C 4 System 0x81008000 0x0 lznt1 CompressedBuffer.bin
00000000 58 b7 00 69 63 61 74 6f 72 20 6f 00 66 20 74 68 |X..icator o.f th
00000010 65 20 6b 69 08 6e 64 73 01 60 66 61 75 6c 04 74 le ki.nds.`faul.tl
00000020 73 00 98 61 74 20 63 61 00 75 73 65 20 73 79 73 |s..at ca.use sys
00000030 74 00 65 6d 2d 77 69 64 65 20 00 64 65 6c 61 79 |t.em-wide .delay|
00000040 73 2e 20 00 49 74 20 69 6e 63 6c 75 00 64 65 73 ls. It includes
00000050 20 72 65 61 64 00 20 6f 70 65 72 61 74 69 44 6f | read. operatiDol
00000060 6e 00 74 6f 20 73 00 14 73 48 66 79 20 04 98 69 |n.to s..sHfv ..i|
00000070 6e 02 c6 66 2c 69 6c 05 9a 00 b4 63 00 75 28 75 |n..f.il....c.u(u|
00000080 40 73 75 61 6c 6c 79 00 43 71 04 75 65 00 66 64 @sually.Cq.ue.fd
00000090 20 62 79 20 30 61 70 70 6c 01 9d 01 4d 29 20 08 | by 0appl...M) .
000000a0 61 6e 64 00 6b 20 6e 6f 6e 88 2d 63 61 00 34 64 |and.k non.-ca.4d|
000000b0 20 6d 00 20 c2 65 00 06 65 6d 6f 72 00 63 00 55 | m. .e..emor.c.U|
000000c0 01 00 91 43 6f 6d 70 61 72 65 41 02 68 76 61 6c |...CompareA.hval|
000000d0 75 65 01 cc 4d 41 02 22 5c 5c 50 61 67 00 a8 52 |ue.MA."\\Pag..R|
000000e0 01 00 a8 73 2f 73 65 63 20 74 82 6f 19 27 49 6e |...s/sec t.o.'In|
000000f0 70 75 74 85 13 00 64 65 74 65 72 6d 69 6e 09 83 |put...determin...|
00000100 2c 61 76 00 73 67 65 20 6e d0 75 6d 62 65 02 9e | av.sge n.umbe...
00000110 70 02 2d 82 81 00 64 75 72 69 6e 67 20 65 63 80 p.-...during ec.
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00000120 52 87 87 2e 00 00 82 3e 02 2a 50 04 65 72 00 3f |R.....>.*P.er.?|
00000130 00 13 00 00 00 a8 15 00 88 80 02 03 80 01 2b 80 |.....+.
00000140 01 40 0a 00 00 80 03 08 00 04 05 50 1f 00 00 0d | @.......P....|
00000150 80 01 81 01 06 1a 15 00 04 2b 05 06 38 00 04 00 |......+..8...|
00000160 75 69 00 6e 74 33 32 00 00 44 69 84 73 70 80 c4 |ui.nt32..Di.sp..|
00000170 4e 61 6d 65 84 2f 06 20 86 5a 80 0e 65 73 63 72 Name./..Z..escrl
00000180 69 26 70 01 c7 8e 0e 20 69 01 ee 65 20 09 80 d6 |i&p.... i..e ...|
00000190 65 20 c0 78 77 68 69 63 1c 68 20 43 31 c1 4f 42 |e.xwhic.h C1.OB|
000001a0 32 66 72 6f 40 6d 20 64 69 73 6b 41 4a 72 00 65 |2fro@m diskAJr.e|
000001b0 73 6f 6c 76 65 20 68 18 61 72 64 02 0a 84 75 2e |solve h.ard...u.|
000001c0 20 48 01 4c 04 20 6f 63 63 75 72 20 00 77 68 65 | H.L. occur .whel
000001d0 6e 20 61 20 70 a0 72 6f 63 65 73 c1 87 66 80 3d |n a p.roces..f.=
000001e0 0f 41 12 c0 04 40 4b 41 73 76 69 72 74 c9 40 7e |.A.,.@KAsvirt.@~|
000001f0 20 6d c3 70 74 68 40 22 00 26 24 6e 6f c1 95 20 | m.pth@".&$no.. |
00000200 69 00 a0 77 6f 02 72 c0 a4 67 20 73 65 74 20 e1 |i..wo.r..g set .|
00000210 80 a9 65 6c 73 65 c0 15 00 78 00 93 50 70 68 79 |..else...x..Pphy|
00000220 73 00 88 6c 84 0f 2c 81 c2 88 6d 75 73 74 20 62 |s..l.,...must b|
00000230 00 36 c0 65 74 72 69 65 76 00 88 46 31 58 2e 20 | 6. etriev. F1X.
00000240 57 84 24 82 1f 73 03 30 65 ec 64 2c 42 81 c3 b7 |W.$..s.0e.d,B...|
00000250 20 41 0d 02 af 42 40 12 6d 40 c1 69 70 c0 ab 63 | A...B@.m@.ip..c|
00000260 6f 6e 80 74 69 67 75 6f 75 73 04 49 0d 40 60 6f |on.tiguous.I.@`o|
00000270 c6 2d 40 02 61 78 69 6d 04 69 7a 83 87 62 65 6e |.-@.axim.iz..ben|
00000280 65 66 9e 69 00 2c 03 d5 42 12 46 c6 2e 20 e0 a8 lef.i...B.F.. ...
00000290 af 46 71 c1 4b 01 e6 c6 b2 20 09 b3 20 ca b2 1f |.Fq.K.... .....
000002a0 e8 a8 49 2f e9 55 4c 15 c4 46 4f 75 74 63 40 61 |...I/.UL..FOutc@a|
000002b0 a8 56 16 00 8c 80 54 ae 56 bb b0 21 00 00 c3 60 |.V....T.V..!...
000002c0 00 a2 56 d0 00 01 fa e2 85 01 ef 00 01 b9 56 23 |..V.........V#|
000002d0 0c 81 6d d2 56 83 c7 03 fd 56 77 72 69 74 74 e0 |..m.V....Vwritt.|
000002e0 4e 03 40 7b 05 57 66 72 65 65 20 75 80 70 20 73 |N.@{.Wfree u.p.s|
000002f0 70 61 63 65 a1 4e 39 ec 46 2e 20 e3 82 c1 5e c5 |pace.N9.F. ...^.|
00000300 07 62 61 a6 63 82 5e 62 08 6f 6e 40 93 69 62 39 |.ba.c.^b.on@.ib9|
00000310 83 a0 92 60 4f 63 68 61 6e 67 20 4b 0d 71 50 73 L... Ochang K.qPsl
00000320 62 8a e3 04 6c 69 6b 65 03 40 07 60 11 68 6f 6c |b...like.@.`.hol|
00000330 64 20 64 30 61 74 61 2c 20 98 20 aa 6f 64 00 65 |d d0ata, . .od.e|
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TODO: Xpress and XpressH decompression

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