#### POLI TÉLNILO GUARDA

### **Fundamentals of Digital Forensics**

- Digital Fundamentals
- The Digital Forensics Process
- Volatility Tool
- Wireshark
- (Autopsy)







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# **Digital forensics**

 is a forensic science branch that focuses on recovering material found in digital devices during cybercrime investigation.



# **Fundamentals of Digital Forensics**

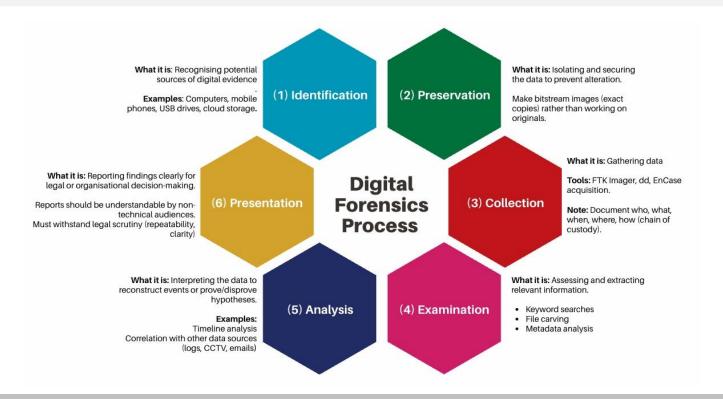
- Digital Evidence
  - includes information on computers, audio files, video recordings and digital images (nist.gov)
- CSIRT or Computer Security Incident Response Team

 group of professionals responsible for responding to an incident and assisting with analyzing evidence collected during the investigation of cybercrime.

- Many branches in which data can be collected, including:
  - Network Forensics
  - Computer Forensics
  - Mobile Forensics
  - Database Forensics
  - Forensic Data Analysis



## **The Digital Forensics Process (Framework)**



# **The Digital Forensics Process: Identification**

- Locard's Exchange Principle, a theory developed by Dr. Edmond Locard (1877–1966).
  - "Any action of an individual, and obviously the violent action constituting a crime, cannot occur without leaving a trace."
- This theory correlates with digital forensic because cybercriminals often leave traces of their presence after an attack (trace evidence)

## **The Digital Forensics Process: Identification**

### Example

 individual tries to SSH into a system but enters an incorrect password, that attempt is logged into the /var/log/auth.log file, which can be used as evidence

- Once the evidence has been identified, the next step is to preserve the evidence
- Safeguarding the evidence from being manipulated or deleted.
- In some cases, controls may be set to prevent unauthorized access to a system containing evidence
  - **Example**: isolating the system on the network or even restricting physical access to the system

Techniques used to preserve evidence, some of which include:

### Imaging drives

 The process of creating a forensic digital copy of a hard drive to retain evidence and to be used in an investigation.

### Hashing values

• Involves generating a cryptographic hash such as MD5, SHA-1, or SHA-256 to verify the integrity of the digital evidence.

### Following the Chain of Custody (CoC)

Document all activity that occurs with the evidence.

Techniques used to preserve evidence, some of which include:

- Do not change the current state of a device
  - If a device is ON, do not turn it OFF and vice versa. If a device is ON, consult a forensic expert before turning the device OFF.
- Ensure the device is physically secured
  - Do not leave the device in an open or unsecured location; follow the CoC and keep a
    documented log detailing who has the device, its location, along with the date and time it was
    moved.
- Do not open any files
  - The examiner runs the risk of overwriting or losing data.

### **Drive Imaging (Preservation)**

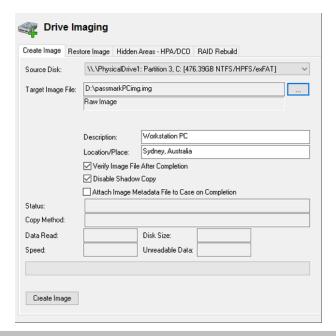
- process of creating a bit-by-bit copy of a hard drive
- Forensically imaging a drive plays a crucial part in preserving an exact copy of a storage device
- It is ideal for the forensic examiner to analyze the duplicate image rather than the original media
- Once the drive has been imaged, the system itself should no longer be operated on and isolated from incoming and outgoing connections
- Doing this limits the risk of the evidence being altered or destroyed if it needs to be used in court

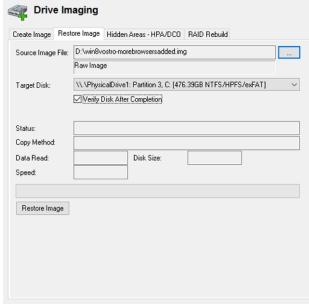
### **Drive Imaging (Preservation)**

- Using hardware such as a write blocker can aid the examiner with the imaging process and prevent any data from being written to the hard drive
- PassMark's OSForensics<sup>™</sup> software has a drive imaging function



### **Drive Imaging (Preservation) - OSForensics**





### Other software that can be used for forensic drive imaging

- Sleuth Kit (+Autopsy)
- EnCase
- PALADIN
- CAINE
- SANS SIFT
- FTK Image



### **Hashing Values (Preservation)**

- To **generate a cryptographic hash** (MD5, SHA-1, SHA-256) of the evidence during the imaging process, specific software is used
- If any data within the evidence is altered, a new hash will be generated



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Copy MD5

Copy SHA-256 Copy SHA-512

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## **The Digital Forensics Process: Preservation**

### **Hashing Values (Preservation)**

- Hashing tools that can be used
  - CertUtil (CMD)
  - Get-FileHash (Powershell)



MD5 & SHA Checksum Utility 2.1

Check out Pro Version

Z:\Desktop\Jsr.exe

A22BF78D65C96A7C2F3C22D983A24916

- Hash Generator (by OpenSSL Group, Paulo S. L. M. Barreto & Vincent Rijmen)
- MD5 & SHA Checksum Utility (by Raymond Lin)
- HashMyFiles (by Nir Sofer)

#### Collection

- In the collection stage, digital forensics examiners will begin the process of acquiring volatile digital evidence
- Volatile evidence is evidence that can be lost when a system is powered down

#### Volatile data

- active connections
- log data stored on a network device
- running memory
- remotely logged data
- Address Resolution Protocol cache

### **Collection – Example order of volatility**

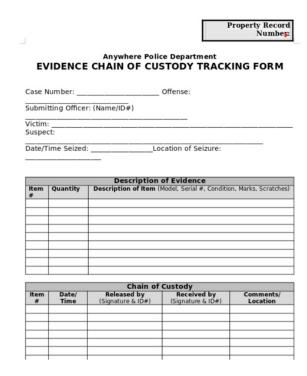
- 1. CPU, cache, and register content
- 2. Routing table, ARP cache, process table, kernel statistics
- 3. Memory
- 4. Temporary file system/swap space
- 5. Data on a hard disk
- 6. Remotely logged data
- 7. Data contained on archival media

Lastly, all evidence that has been collected should be documented

## **The Digital Forensics Process: Collection**

### **Chain of Custody (Collection)**

 documentation of an evidence life cycle during an investigation



### The Digital Forensics Process: Examination and Analysis

### **Examination and Analysis**

- involves **discovering and extracting** data from the evidence using specific tools and techniques.
- The evidence is then seized as part of the incident
- The analysis process varies depending on the type of digital evidence
- The analysis process helps to determine the origin of the data

### The Digital Forensics Process: Examination and Analysis

### **Examination and Analysis – Tools**

### Autopsy/The Sleuth Kit

 Designed to perform analysis of disk images, filesystems and includes a wide variety of other features.

#### AccessData FTK

A toolkit that focuses on aiding examiners with a quick analysis process.

#### Paraben Suite

A suite of forensics tools, some of which include smartphone and cloud analysis tools.

### Volatility

A tool used in memory forensics, it extracts information from running processes.

### **Presentation**

- forensic examiners must prepare a detailed written report to address the actions performed to obtain the evidence, including any limitations encountered during the investigation
- This report must be clear, concise, and unbiased
- Digital forensics reports should typically be organized in this fashion
  - Executive summary
  - Findings
  - Appended reports
  - Conclusion

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Language: Non-technical

**Purpose:** High-level description of analysis findings in easily understood, non-technical language.

#### **FINDINGS**

Language: Technical

**Purpose:** Technical details of analysis to clearly describe the repeatable and defensible process. Include diagrams, charts, pictures.

#### APPENDED REPORTS

Language: Technical

**Purpose:** Further support the analysis of relevant information through presentation of highly detailed technical information, including evidence that can produce a tremendous amount of data such as email or chat message analysis.

#### CONCLUSION

Language: Non-technical

**Purpose:** Provide subjective analysis and expert opinions. Wrap up the analysis in a direct and concise manner.

### References

ENISA - cyberskills

- is an open-source tool used for analyzing memory dumps (RAM captures) of computers.
- It extracts digital artefacts from memory images, useful for digital forensics, incident response, and malware analysis.



- What type of dump am I going to analyze ?
  - \$ volatility -f MyDump.dmp imageinfo

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root®kali)-[/media/ppinto/evidence/Windows]
 -# vol.py -f memory.img imageinfo
Volatility Foundation Volatility Framework 2.6.1
        : volatility.debug : Determining profile based on KDBG search...
INFO
         Suggested Profile(s): Win10×86, Win81U1×86, Win8SP0×86, Win10×86_10586, Win8SP1×86, Win10×86_10240_17770
                    AS Layer1 : IA32PagedMemoryPae (Kernel AS)
                    AS Layer2 : FileAddressSpace (/media/ppinto/evidence/Windows/memory.img)
                     PAE type : PAE
                          DTB: 0×1a8000L
                         KDBG: 0×82461820L
         Number of Processors: 1
     Image Type (Service Pack): 0
               KPCR for CPU 0 : 0×8248b000L
             KUSER SHARED DATA: 0×ffdf0000L
          Image date and time : 2016-08-17 12:00:47 UTC+0000
     Image local date and time : 2016-08-17 14:00:47 +0200
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- Which process are running?
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile pslist

Volatility Offset(V)	Name	PID	PPID	Thds	Hnds	Sess	Wow64	Start		Exit
 0×868a7700	System	4	0	104	0		0	2016-08-16	12:54:24 UTC+0000	
0×8d2af5c0	smss.exe	244		2	0	—	0	2016-08-16	12:54:24 UTC+0000	
0×8f7e3040	csrss.exe	324	316	10	0	0	0	2016-08-16	12:54:27 UTC+0000	
0×9487c640	smss.exe	388	244	0 -		1	0	2016-08-16	12:54:28 UTC+0000	2016-08-16 12:54:28 UTC+0
00 0×8b9bf300	wininit.exe	396	316	2	0	0	0	2016-08-16	12:54:28 UTC+0000	
0×8f71d2c0	csrss.exe	408	388	11	0	1	0	2016-08-16	12:54:28 UTC+0000	
0×94863c40	winlogon.exe	460	388	4	0	1	0	2016-08-16	12:54:28 UTC+0000	
0×8b9bc300	services.exe	488	396	6	Ø	0	0	2016-08-16	12:54:29 UTC+0000	
0×948c3040	lsass.exe	516	396	7	Ø	0	0	2016-08-16	12:54:29 UTC+0000	
0×948fb180	svchost.exe	576	488	19	0	0	0	2016-08-16	12:54:30 UTC+0000	

- Which process are running?
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile pstree

Offset(V)	Name	PID	PPID	Thds	Hnds	Sess	Wow64	Start	Exit
 0×868a7700	System	4	0	104	0		0	2016-08-16 12:54:24 UTC+0000	
0×8d2af5c0	smss.exe	244		2	0		0	2016-08-16 12:54:24 UTC+0000	
0×8f7e3040	csrss.exe	324	316	10	0	0	0	2016-08-16 12:54:27 UTC+0000	
0×9487c640	smss.exe	388	244	0 -		1	0	2016-08-16 12:54:28 UTC+0000	2016-08-16 12:54:28 UTC+06
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0×8b9bc300	services.exe	488	396	6	Ø	0	0	2016-08-16 12:54:29 UTC+0000	
0×948c3040	lsass.exe	516	396	7	0	0	0	2016-08-16 12:54:29 UTC+0000	
0×948fb180	svchost.exe	576	488	19	0	0	0	2016-08-16 12:54:30 UTC+0000	

- Which process are running?
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile psxview

	<pre>-f memory.imgprofi Foundation Volatility</pre>				xview					
Offset(P)	Name				thrdproc	pspcid	csrss	session	deskthrd	ExitTime
0×d9bbf300	wininit.exe	396	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×d9bbc300	services.exe	488	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×1d7d7c40	svchost.exe	2168	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×0a0c3040	lsass.exe	516	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×13018040	spoolsv.exe	1212	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×13118380	svchost.exe	1540	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×d9a520c0	SearchIndexer.	2532	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×13039040	svchost.exe	1380	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×0a0fb180	svchost.exe	576	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×db522c40	ShellExperienc	2432	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×0a063c40	winlogon.exe	460	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×71e96740	update.exe	5172	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×cfec9240	TrustedInstall	6108	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×1d629300	SystemSettings	5268	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×0a154380	svchost.exe	620	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×db586c40	Skype.exe	5128	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×db55f040	SkypeHost.exe	2220	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×a0921480	SearchUI.exe	7360	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×251e74c0	explorer.exe	4872	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×a09a3500	conhost.exe	16756	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×c3c06c40	RamCapture.exe	16740	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×a0689640	SystemSettings	4968	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	
0×0a15d6c0	svchost.exe	800	True	True	True	False	True	True	False	

- List open TCP/UDP connection
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile netscan

		profile=Win10×86_10586 netscan ility Framework 2.6.1					
Offset(P)	Proto	Local Address	Foreign Address	State	Pid	Owner	Created
0×85b63230	TCPv4	192.168.5.100:59280	168.63.15.132:443	ESTABLISHED	5128	Skype.exe	
0×86963230	TCPv4	192.168.5.100:59280	168.63.15.132:443	ESTABLISHED	5128	Skype.exe	
0×8ada4678	UDPv4	127.0.0.1:512	*:*		5128	Skype.exe	2016-08-16 1
2:57:46 UTC+0000							
0×8ad0bc30	TCPv4	192.168.5.100:59277	2.21.242.237:80	ESTABLISHED	5128	Skype.exe	
0×8c15e930	UDPv4	0.0.0.0:0	*:*		1132	svchost.exe	2016-08-17 1
2:01:09 UTC+0000							
0×8c15e930	UDPv6	:::0	*:*		1132	svchost.exe	2016-08-17 1
2:01:09 UTC+0000					5400		2045 00 47 4
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2:00:28 UTC+0000	UDPV4	0.0.0.0.512	*.*		1132	SVCIIOSC. exe	2010-00-1/ 1
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2:00:28 UTC+0000							
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2:00:24 UTC+0000							
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2:00:28 UTC+0000							
0×94980a08	UDPv6	:::0	*:*		1132	svchost.exe	2016-08-17 1

- What commands were lastly run on the computer
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile cmdline

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vol.py -f memory.img -- profile=Win10×86 10586 cmdline
Volatility Foundation Volatility Framework 2.6.1
***************************
System pid:
Command line : \SystemRoot\System32\smss.exe
Command line : %SystemRoot%\system32\csrss.exe ObjectDirectory=\Windows SharedSection=1024,12288,512 Windows=On SubSystemType=Windows
ServerDll=basesrv,1 ServerDll=winsrv:UserServerDllInitialization,3 ServerDll=sxssrv,4 ProfileControl=Off MaxRequestThreads=16
************************
smss.exe pid:
*****************************
wininit.exe pid:
Command line : wininit.exe
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Command line : %SystemRoot%\system32\csrss.exe ObjectDirectory=\Windows SharedSection=1024,12288,512 Windows=On SubSystemType=Windows
ServerDll=basesrv.1 ServerDll=winsrv:UserServerDllInitialization.3 ServerDll=sxssrv.4 ProfileControl=Off MaxRequestThreads=16
******************************
winlogon.exe pid:
Command line : winlogon.exe
************************************
services.exe pid:
Command line : C:\Windows\system32\services.exe
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- Dump processes exe and memory
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile procdump -p MyPid --dump-dir

- Mem Dump processes exe and memory
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile memdump -p MyPid --dump-dir .

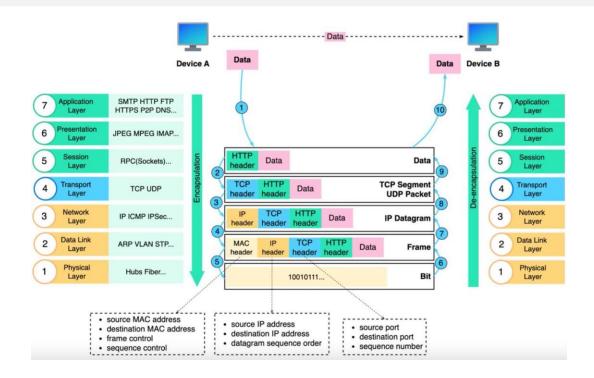
- Hive and Registry key values
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile hivelist

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vol.py -f memory.img --profile=Win10×86_10586 hivelist
Volatility Foundation Volatility Framework 2.6.1
          Physical Name
0×87c3f008 0×008e9008 \REGISTRY\MACHINE\HARDWARE
0×8c375008 0×03224008 \Device\HarddiskVolume1\Boot\BCD
0×8ee3b008 0×dc5e4008 \SystemRoot\System32\Config\SOFTWARE
0×93b0c008 0×024ef008 \SystemRoot\System32\Config\DEFAULT
0×9091e008 0×0cf54008 \SystemRoot\System32\Config\SECURITY
0×9096b008 0×929a4008 \SystemRoot\System32\Config\SAM
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0×97449008 0×0f6e2008 \??\C:\Windows\ServiceProfiles\LocalService\NTUSER.DAT
0×97431008 0×0f2e3008 \SystemRoot\System32\Config\BBI
0×9c260008 0×1e611008 \??\C:\Windows\AppCompat\Programs\Amcache.hve
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.ShellExperienceHost_10.0.10586.0_neutral_neutral_cw5n1h2txyewy\ActivationStore\ActivationStore.dat
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0xa9d45008 0xa4499008 \??\C:\Windows\System32\config\COMPONENTS
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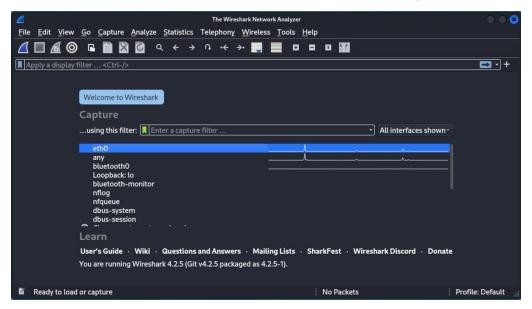
- Hive and Registry key values (printkey)
  - volatility -f MyDump.dmp --profile=MyProfile printkey

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ali)-[/media/ppinto/evidence/Windows]
    vol.py -f memory.img --profile=Win10×86_10586 printkey
Volatility Foundation Volatility Framework 2.6.1
Legend: (S) = Stable (V) = Volatile
Registry: \??\C:\Users\Peter\AppData\Local\Packages\Microsoft.Windows.Cortana_cw5n1h2txyewy\Settings\settings.dat
Key name: Test (S)
Last updated: 2012-05-22 00:00:08 UTC+0000
Subkeys:
  (S) LocalState
  (S) RoamingState
Values:
Registry: \??\C:\Users\Peter\AppData\Local\Packages\Microsoft.Windows.ShellExperienceHost_cw5n1h2txyewy\Settings\settings.dat
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Subkeys:
  (S) LocalState
  (S) RoamingState
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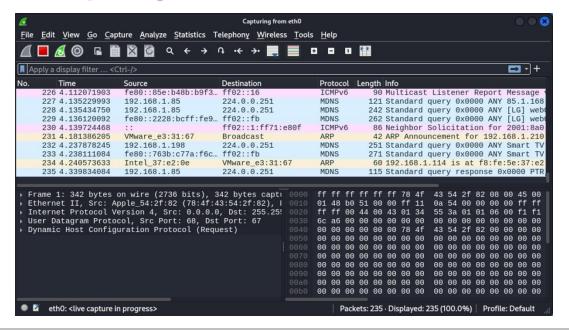
# **TCP Encapsulation**



Protocol analysis tool that allows real-time capture of network traffic

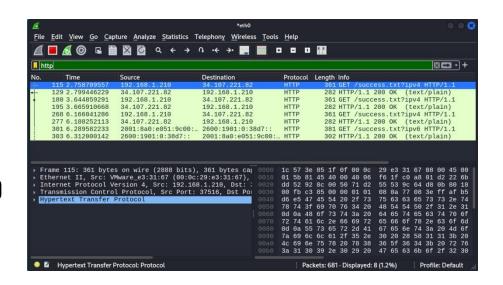


Wireshark – Capturing Packets

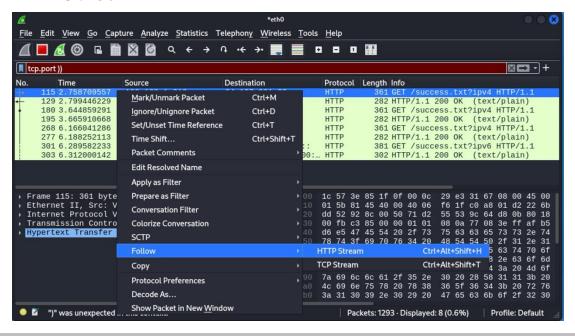


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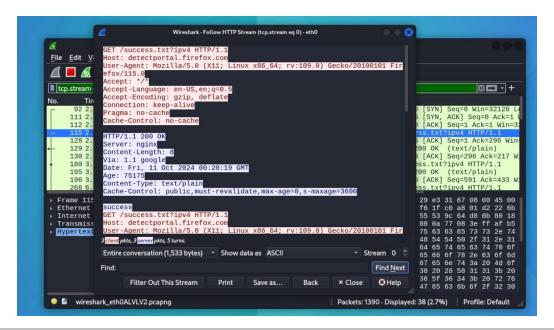
- ΗΠΡ
- DNS
- ip.address == 192.168.0.1
- tcp.port == 22
- tcp.port == 80 || udp.port == 80
- ip.src == 192.168.1.1
- ip.dst == 192.168.1.1
- ip.addr == 192.168.1.1 && http
- tcp contains "GET



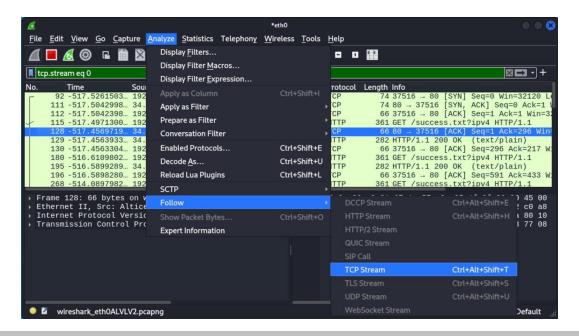
Follow HTTP Stream



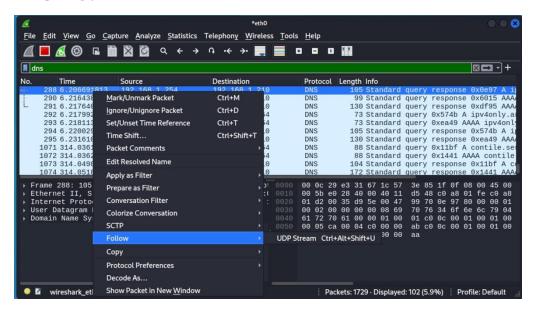
Follow HTTP Stream (2)



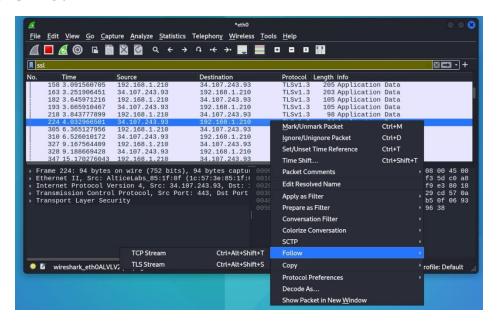
Follow TCP Stream



Follow UDP STream



Follow TLS STream



### **Forensic Tools**

