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ADVERSARY EMULATION WITH LOGGING AND MONITORING

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AGENDA

- What is a Purple Team?
- What is Adversary Emulation?
- Logging & Monitoring
- Demo [Adversary Emulation]
- Running your own Purple Team exercise

ACRONYMS

- TTP = Tactics, Techniques & Procedures
- **SOC** = Security Operations Centre
- **DFIR** = Digital Forensics & Incident Response
- **IOC** = Indicators Of Compromise
- **CVE** = Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures
- CVSS = Common Vulnerability Scoring System
- \bullet **C2** = Command & Control
- ELK = Elasticsearch, Logstash & Kibana
- SIEM = Security Information Events Management

WHAT IS A PURPLE TEAM?

A team collaboratively working together to test, measure and improve defensive security posture (people, process, and technology).

- Cyber Threat Intelligence research and provide adversary **Tactic**, **Techniques** & **Procedures** (TTPs)
- Red Team offensive team in charge of emulating adversaries and TTPs
- Blue Team the defenders. Security Operations Center (SOC), Threat Hunting Team, Digital Forensics and Incident Response (DFIR), and/or Managed Security Service Providers (MSSP)

<u>Purple Team Exercise Framework</u>

COMMON LANGUAGE

A collaboration means various members need to communicate in a way that every member understands one another.

- CVE & CVSS scores for vulnerabilities in technologies.
 - Understanding Attacks:
 - Cyber Kill Chain
 - MITRE ATT&CK
 - Understanding Adversary behaviour:
 - 1. Pyramid of Pain
 - 2. TTP Pyramid

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CYBER KILL CHAIN



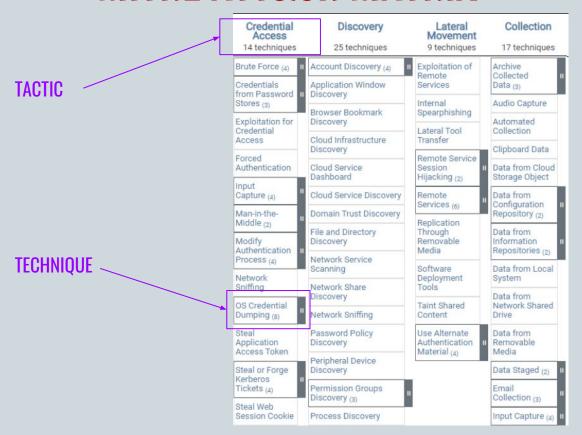
https://www.netsurion.com/articles/eventtracker-enterprise -and-the-cyber-kill-chain

MITRE ATT&CK MATRIX

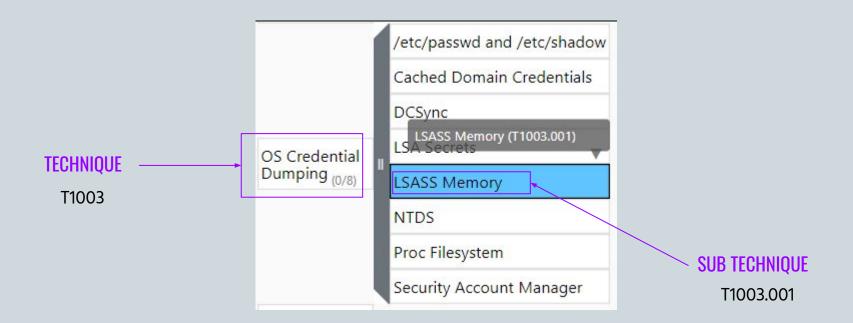
ATT&CK® Navigator (mitre-attack.github.io)

Reconnaissance 10 techniques	Resource Development 6 techniques	Initial Access 9 techniques	Execution 10 techniques	Persistence 18 techniques	Privilege Escalation 12 techniques	Defense Evasion 37 techniques	Credential Access 14 techniques	Discovery 25 techniques	Lateral Movement 9 techniques	Collection 17 techniques	Command and Control 16 techniques	Exfiltration 9 techniques	Impact 13 techniques
Active Scanning (2)	Acquire Infrastructure (6)	Drive-by Compromise	Command and Scripting	Account Manipulation (4)	Abuse Elevation Control	Abuse Elevation Control Mechanism (4)	Brute Force (4)	Account Discovery (4)	Exploitation of Remote	Archive Collected	Application Layer	Automated Exfiltration (1)	Account Access Removal
Gather Victim Host Information (4)	Compromise	Exploit Public-	Interpreter (8)	BITS Jobs	Mechanism (4)	Access Token	Credentials from Password	Application Window Discovery	Services	Data (3)	Communication	Data Transfer	Data Destruction
Gather Victim Identity Information (3)	Accounts (2)	Facing Application	Exploitation for Client Execution	Boot or Logon Autostart	Access Token Manipulation (5)	Manipulation (5) BITS Jobs	Stores (3) Exploitation for	Browser Bookmark Discovery	Internal Spearphishing	Audio Capture Automated	Through Removable Media	Size Limits Exfiltration	Data Encrypted for Impact
Gather Victim Network	Infrastructure (6)	External Remote Services	Inter-Process Communication (2)	Execution (12)	Boot or Logon Autostart	Deobfuscate/Decode	Credential Access	Cloud Infrastructure	Lateral Tool Transfer	Collection	Data Encoding (2)	Over Alternative	Data
Information (6)	Develop Capabilities (4)	Hardware Native API		Boot or Logon Initialization	Execution (12)	Files or Information	Forced	Discovery	Remote Service	Clipboard Data	Data Data	Protocol (3)	Manipulation (3)
Gather Victim Org Information (4)	Establish	Additions	Scheduled	Scripts (5)	Boot or Logon Initialization	Direct Volume Access	Authentication	Cloud Service Dashboard	Session Hijacking (2)	Data from Cloud Storage Object	Obfuscation (3)	Exfiltration Over C2	Defacement (2)
Phishing for	Accounts (2)	Phishing (3)	Task/Job (6)	Browser Extensions	Scripts (5)	Execution Guardrails (1)	Input Capture (4)	Cloud Service Discovery	Remote	Data from	Dynamic Resolution (3)	Channel	Disk Wipe (2)
Information (3)	Obtain Capabilities (6)	Replication Through Removable Media	Shared Modules	Compromise Client Software Binary	Create or Modify System Process (4)	Exploitation for Defense Evasion	Man-in-the-	Domain Trust Discovery	Services (6)	Configuration Repository (2)	Encrypted Channel (2)	Exfiltration Over Other Network Medium (1)	Endpoint Denial of Service (4)
Search Closed Sources (2)			Software Deployment Tools			File and Directory Permissions	Middle (2) Modify	File and Directory	Replication Through Removable	Data from Information			Firmware Corruption
Search Open Technical Databases (5)		Supply Chain Compromise (3)	System Services (2)	Create Account (3)	Execution (15)	Modification (2)	Authentication Process (4)	Discovery Network Service	Media	Repositories (2)	Channels	Exfiltration Over Physical	Inhibit System
Search Open		Trusted	User Execution (2)	Create or Modify	Exploitation for Privilege	Group Policy Modification	Network	Scanning	Software Deployment	Data from Local System	Ingress Tool Transfer	Medium (1)	Recovery
Websites/Domains (2)		Relationship	Windows Management	System Process (4)	Escalation	Hide Artifacts (7)	Sniffing	Network Share Discovery	Tools	Data from	Multi-Stage	Exfiltration Over Web	Network Denial of Service (2)
Search Victim-Owned Websites		Valid Accounts (4)	Instrumentation	Event Triggered Execution (15) External Remote Services	Group Policy Modification	Hijack Execution	OS Credential Dumping (8)	Network Sniffing		Network Shared Drive	Channels	Service (2)	Resource Hijacking
		_			Hijack Execution	Flow (11)	Steal Application Access Token Steal or Forge Kerberos Tickets (4) Steal Web Session Cookie Two-Factor	Password Policy Discovery	Use Alternate Authentication Material (4)	Data from Removable Media	Non-Application Layer Protocol	Scheduled Transfer	Service Stop
					Flow (11) Process	Impair Defenses (7)					Non-Standard Port	Transfer Data to Cloud	System Shutdown/Reboot
				Hijack Execution		Host (6)		Discovery		Data Staged (2)	Protocol	Account	SilutuowiiyNeboot
				Implant Container Image	Scheduled Task/Job (6)	Indirect Command Execution Masquerading (6)		Permission Groups Discovery (3)		Email Collection (3)	Tunneling		
					Valid			Process Discovery		Input Capture (4)	(4) Proxy (4) Remote Access Software		
				Office Application	Accounts (4)	Modify Authentication		Query Registry		Man in the			
				Startup (6)		Process (4)	Authentication Interception	Remote System		Browser	Traffic	1	
				Pre-OS Boot (5) Scheduled		Modify Cloud Compute Infrastructure (4)	Unsecured Credentials (6)	Discovery Software Discovery	m.	Man-in-the- Middle (2)	Signaling (1)		
				Task/Job (6)		Modify Registry	Credendals (6)	Software Discovery (1)	"	Screen Capture	Web Service (3)	1	

MITRE ATT&CK MATRIX

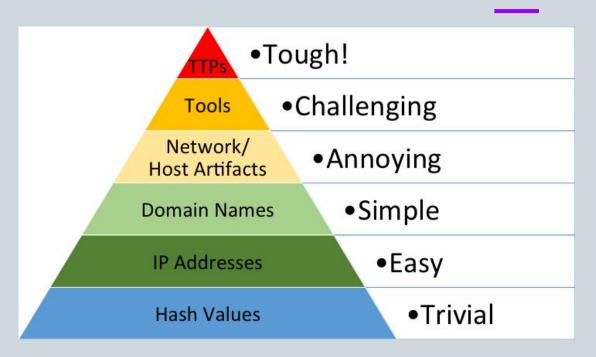


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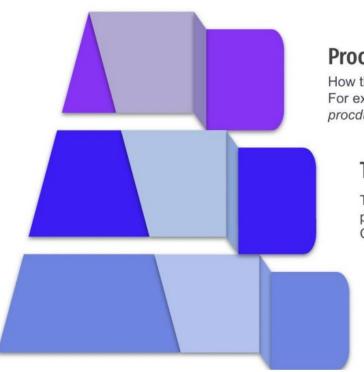
PYRAMID OF PAIN

Purple Team being highly TTP driven would be operating at the top of the pyramid



The Pyramid of Pain | Enterprise Detection & Response (detect-respond.blogspot.com)

TTP PYRAMID



Procedures

How the technique was carried out. For example, the attacker used procdump -ma Isass.exe Isass_dump

Techniques

Techniques represent the tactical goal of the procedure. For example, T1003.001 - OS Credential Dumping: LSASS Memory.

Tactics

Tactics represent the strategic goal of the adversary. For example, TA006 -Credential Access

SCYTHE Library: Summiting the Pyramid of Pain: The TTP Pyramid

WHAT IS ADVERSARY EMULATION



Adversary emulation is an impersonation, mimicking of someone or something else. Based on threat intelligence, you determine APT28 is most likely to target your organization. To emulate this adversary, you mimic the TTPs they use and test those in your environment. You behave exactly like they would.

Attack Simulation vs Attack Emulation

PENETRATION TESTING VS ADVERSARY EMULATION

PENETRATION TEST

VS.

ADVERSARY EMULATION

Identify and exploit vulnerabilities on a (series of) system(s) to assess security

Focused on a specific scope (typically an application or network range)

Primarily tests prevention, typically less focus on detection

Assess how resilient an organization is versus a certain adversary / threat actor

Focused on the execution of a scenario (typically defined by a number of flags)

Typically tests both prevention and detection (so is less valuable if there is no Blue Team)

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RED TEAMING VS PURPLE TEAMING

RED TEAM

VS.

PURPLE TEAM

A Red Team involves emulation of a realistic threat actor (using TTPs)

In a typical Red Team, interaction with the Blue Team is **limited** (red vs. blue)

The goal of the Red Team is to **assess** how well the Blue Team prevents and detects

A Purple Team involves emulation of a realistic threat actor (using TTPs)

In a typical Purple Team, interaction with the Blue Team is **maximized** (collaboration)

The goal of the Purple Team is to **improve** how well the Blue Team prevents and detects

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LOGGING & MONITORING



Logging is a method of tracking and storing data from security events to allow the opportunity to detect for malicious activity.

Monitoring is a diagnostic tool used for alerting Blue Team to Indicators of Compromise (IOC) by analyzing metrics.

SYSMON

System Monitor (Sysmon) is a Windows system service and device driver that, once installed on a system, remains resident across system reboots to monitor and log system activity to the Windows event log. It provides detailed information about process creations, network connections, and changes to file creation time. By collecting the events it generates using Windows Event Collection or SIEM agents and subsequently analyzing them, you can identify malicious or anomalous activity and understand how intruders and malware operate on your network.

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals/downloads/sysmon

Sysmon uses a xml configuration file during installation to enable logging of the defined events to be monitored.

```
(Sysmon schemaversion="3.2">
 <!-- Capture all the hashes -->
 <HashAlgorithms>*</HashAlgorithms>
 <EventFiltering>
   <!-- Log all drivers except if the signature -->
   <!-- contains Microsoft or Windows -->
   (DriverLoad onmatch="exclude")
     <Signature conditition="contains">microsoft</Signature>
     <Signature conditition="contains">windows</Signature>
   </DriverLoad>
   <!-- Do not log process termination -->
   <ProcessTerminate onmatch="include"/>
   <!-- Log network connection if the destination port equals 443 -->
   <!-- or 80, and the process isn't InternetExplorer -->
   <NetworkConnect onmatch="include">
     <DestinationPort>443</DestinationPort>
     <DestinationPort>80</DestinationPort>
   </NetworkConnect>
   <NetworkConnect onmatch="exclude">
     <Image condition="end with">iexplore.exe</Image>
   </NetworkConnect>
 </EventFiltering>
</Sysmon>
```

WHERE DO I BEGIN?

Swift On Security sysmon-confid

<u>Florian Roth sysmon-config</u>

<u>Sysmon-Modular</u>

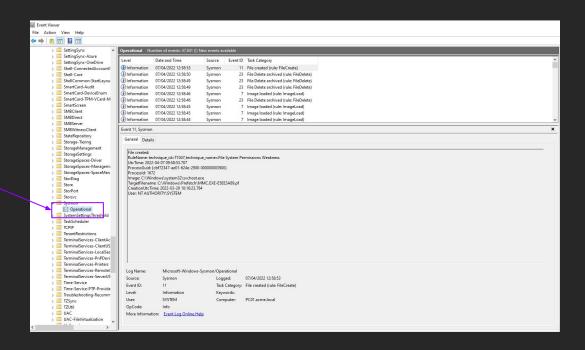


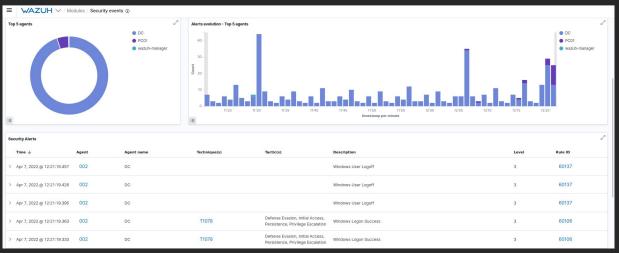
SYSMON INSTALLATION

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell
Windows PowerShell
Copyright (C) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
Try the new cross-platform PowerShell https://aka.ms/pscore6
PS C:\Windows\system32> cd Z:\Tools\Sysmon\2022\
PS Z:\Tools\Sysmon\2022> .\Sysmon64.exe -i .\modular.xml -accepteula
System Monitor v13.33 - System activity monitor
By Mark Russinovich and Thomas Garnier
Copyright (C) 2014-2022 Microsoft Corporation
Using libxml2. libxml2 is Copyright (C) 1998-2012 Daniel Veillard. All Rights Reserved.
Sysinternals - www.sysinternals.com
Loading configuration file with schema version 4.60
Sysmon schema version: 4.81
Configuration file validated.
Sysmon64 installed.
SysmonDrv installed.
Starting SysmonDrv.
SysmonDrv started.
Starting Sysmon64...
Sysmon64 started.
PS Z:\Tools\Sysmon\2022>
```

SYSMON INSTALLATION

Sysmon logs located here





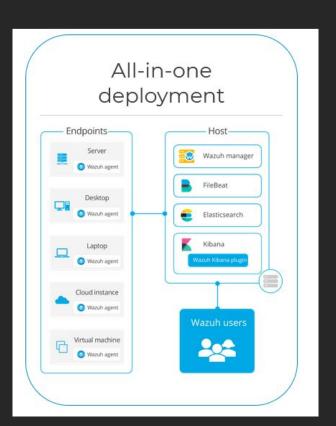
Wazuh is used to collect, aggregate, index and analyze security data, helping organizations detect intrusions, threats and behavioral anomalies



Wazuh is a component that goes on top of the ELK stack (Elasticsearch, Logstash and Kibana) which is a suite of tools that is used to enrich various types of data through analytics including security events thereby functioning like a SIEM.

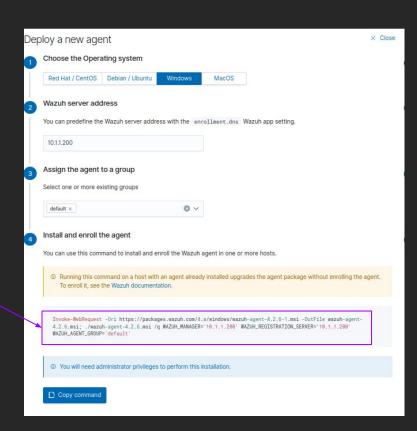
The <u>Wazuh agent</u> is a single, light-weight monitoring software that runs on most operating systems and provides visibility into the endpoint's security by collecting critical system and application records, inventory data, and detecting potential anomalies.

<u>https://documentation.wazuh.com/current/installation-guide/index.html</u>



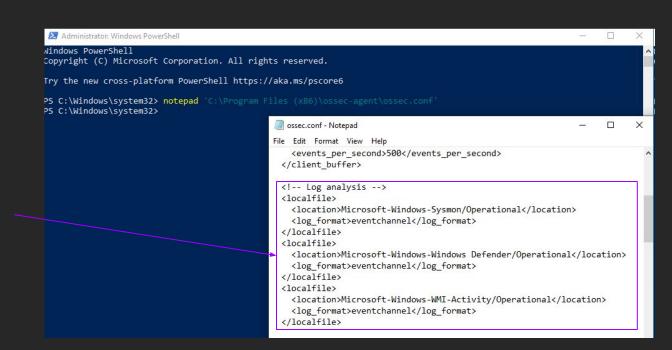
WAZUH AGENT INSTALLATION

Deploying the Wazuh agent using Powershell script



WAZUH AGENT INSTALLATION

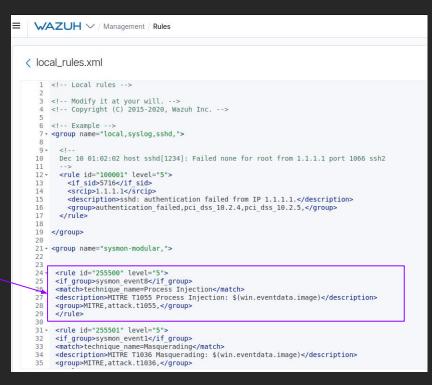
Modifying the **ossec.conf** file to collect logs from Sysmon and Windows Defender



Windows Agent Config

WAZUH RULES CONFIGURATION

Sample rule modified in the **local_rules.xml** file to alert on particular MITRE TTPs



Download Wazuh local_rules.xml

PROCEDURE LEVEL INTEL

Sample MITRE ATT&CK mapped TTPs from a DFIR report on a recent campaign by the Conti Ransomware group.

https://thedfirreport.com/2022/04/04/stolen-images-campaign-ends-in-conti-ransomware/

```
T1614.001 - System Location Discovery: System Language Discovery
T1218.010 - Signed Binary Proxy Execution: Regsvr32
T1218.011 - Signed Binary Proxy Execution: Rundll32
T1059.001 - Command and Scripting Interpreter: PowerShell
T1055 - Process Injection
T1003.001 - OS Credential Dumping: LSASS Memory
T1486 - Data Encrypted for Impact
T1482 - Domain Trust Discovery
T1021.002 - Remote Services: SMB/Windows Admin Shares
T1219 - Remote Access Software
T1083 - File and Directory Discovery
T1562.001 - Impair Defenses: Disable or Modify Tools
T1518.001 - Software Discovery: Security Software Discovery
T1047 - Windows Management Instrumentation
T1087.002 - Account Discovery: Domain Account
T1068 - Exploitation for Privilege Escalation
T1082 - System Information Discovery
T1018 - Remote System Discovery
T1053.005 - Scheduled Task/Job: Scheduled Task
T1569.002 - Service Execution
T1071.001 Web Protocols
S0552 - AdFind
S0154 - Cobalt Strike
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S0097 - Ping

PURPLE TEAM EXERCISE TOOLS



Atomic Red Team

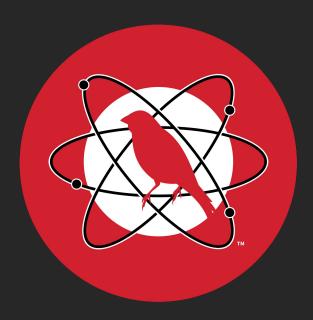
Infection Monkey

CALDERA

Scythe

<u>APT Simulator</u>

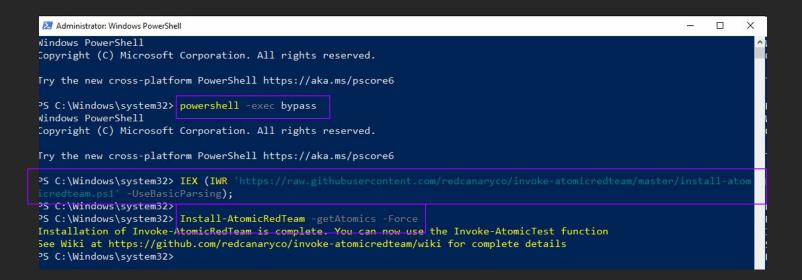
<u>AttackIQ</u>



Atomic Red Team is library of tests mapped to the MITRE ATT&CK framework. Security teams can use Atomic Red Team to quickly, portably, and reproducibly test their environments.

https://github.com/redcanaryco/atomic-red-team

ATOMIC RED TEAM FRAMEWORK INSTALLATION



USING ATOMIC RED TEAM FRAMEWORK

```
PS C:\Windows\system32>
PS C:\Windows\system32> Install-AtomicRedTeam -getAtomics -Force
Installation of Invoke-AtomicRedTeam is complete. You can now use the Invoke-AtomicTest function
See Wiki at https://github.com/redcanaryco/invoke-atomicredteam/wiki for complete details
PS C:\Windows\system32>
PS C:\Windows\system32>
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PS C:\Windows\system32>
PS C:\Windows\system32>
```

USING ATOMIC RED TEAM FRAMEWORK

The -ShowDetailsBrief tag shows brief information on the selected Tactic and the various Procedures that will be tested.

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> Invoke-AtomicTest T1003.001 -ShowDetailsBrief
PathToAtomicsFolder = C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics

T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump
T1003.001-2 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using comsvcs.dll
T1003.001-3 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using direct system calls and API unhooking
T1003.001-4 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using NanoDump
T1003.001-6 Offline Credential Theft With Mimikatz
T1003.001-7 LSASS read with pypykatz
T1003.001-8 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using Out-Minidump.ps1
T1003.001-9 Create Mini Dump of LSASS.exe using ProcDump
T1003.001-10 Powershell Mimikatz
T1003.001-11 Dump LSASS with .Net 5 createdump.exe
T1003.001-12 Dump LSASS.exe using imported Microsoft DLLs
PS C:\Windows\system32>
```

USING ATOMIC RED TEAM FRAMEWORK

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> Invoke-AtomicTest T1003.001-1 -CheckPrereqs
PathToAtomicsFolder = C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics

CheckPrereq's for: T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump
Prerequisites not met: T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump

[*] ProcDump tool from Sysinternals must exist on disk at specified location (C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics\T1003.001\bin\procdump.exe)

Try installing prereq's with the -GetPrereqs switch
PS C:\Windows\system32>
```

The -CheckPrereqs tag checks if all the prerequisites are in place on the system to run that particular Atomic Test. If they are not satisfied it will give the command to install them.

USING ATOMIC RED TEAM FRAMEWORK

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> Invoke-AtomicTest T1003.001-1 -GetPrereqs
PathToAtomicsFolder = C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics

GetPrereq's for: T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump
Attempting to satisfy prereq: ProcDump tool from Sysinternals must exist on disk at specified location (C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics\T1003.001\bin\procdump.exe)
Prereq successfully met: ProcDump tool from Sysinternals must exist on disk at specified location (C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics\T1003.001\bin\procdump.exe)
PS C:\Windows\system32> __
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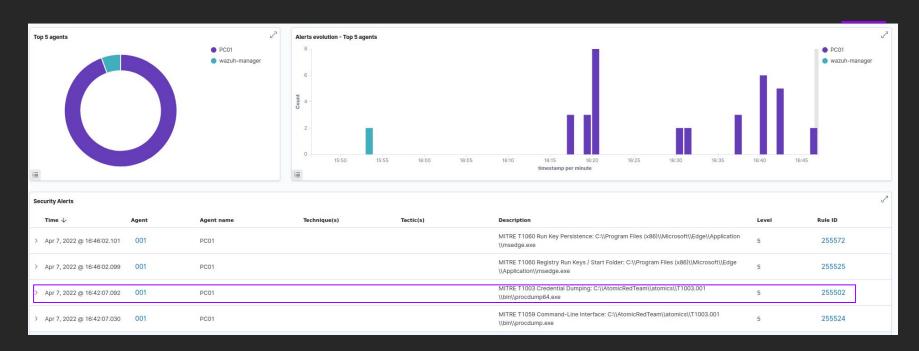
The -GetPrereqs tag will install any missing components for the particular Atomic Test to be ran.

USING ATOMIC RED TEAM FRAMEWORK

Running the Atomic Test and output showing successful running of the Procedure.

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> Invoke-AtomicTest T1003.001-1
PathToAtomicsFolder = C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics

Executing test: T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump
ProcDump v10.11 - Sysinternals process dump utility
Copyright (C) 2009-2021 Mark Russinovich and Andrew Richards
Sysinternals - www.sysinternals.com
[16:42:07] Dump 1 initiated: C:\Windows\Temp\lsass_dump.dmp
[16:42:07] Dump 1 writing: Estimated dump file size is 54 MB.
[16:42:08] Dump 1 complete: 54 MB written in 0.7 seconds
[16:42:08] Dump count reached.
Done executing test: T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump
```



The test creates an alert on the Wazuh dashboard.

USING ATOMIC RED TEAM FRAMEWORK

```
PS C:\Windows\system32> Invoke-AtomicTest T1003.001-1 -Cleanup
PathToAtomicsFolder = C:\AtomicRedTeam\atomics

Executing cleanup for test: T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump
Done executing cleanup for test: T1003.001-1 Dump LSASS.exe Memory using ProcDump [
```

The -Cleanup tag allows us to revert any changes done on the system when the Atomic Test was ran.





DEMO

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