

Evidence Preservation and Analysis

1. Objective

This report contains the details of the task including Volatile Data Collection, and Evidence Collection. The goal of this task is to:

• Learn evidence preservation and also analysis of evidence.

2. Introduction

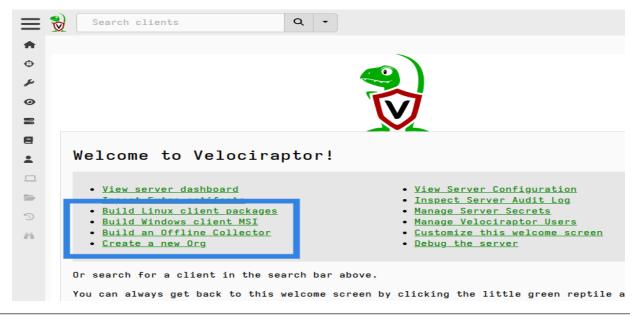
Evidence preservation and analysis is a digital forensic process for performing Investigation it involves collection of evidence, preservation of evidence, and analyzing the evidence to know the attackers tactics, and techniques. Performing further legal proceedings.

3. Tools

- Velociraptor setup using its official documentation.
 https://docs.velociraptor.app/downloads/
- FTK Imager is a forensic tool kit setup using exterro website.
 https://www.exterro.com/digital-forensics-software/ftk-imager

4. Volatile Data Collection

Volatile data collection is a process of collecting data from the computer only when it is running. That means it not collect data when the system is in off mode. Usually it collects data from RAM, Cache memory, network connections, and user activity.





Using Velociraptor for collecting network connections (SELECT * FROM Artifacts. Windows VM. saving it as CSV file.



5. Evidence Collection

Evidence collection is a crucial process of gathering and preserving the digital data from different sources to investigate incidents and to support legal proceedings. Collecting a Memory dump (SELECT* FROM Artifact.Windows.memory.Acquisition) and hash it Using sha256sum.



5.1 Collected Evidence metadata

Below table shows the metadata of evidence collected and it includes Item, Description, Collected BY, Date, and Hash Value.

Item	Description	Collected By	Date	Hash Value
Memory Dump	Server-Y Dump	SOC Analyst	2025-10-23	e98a49f2721370f448 3f91a51c419b95b345 3b5a2fd55aa2ff05258 f02580f2f



The below image shows the hash value of the Windows.Memory.Aquasition file. That is taken from the Velociraptor tool. By performing the activity I collected data and that data I converted as a hash file.



Windows. Memory. Aquasition. zip

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Output

e98a49f2721370f4483f91a51c419b95b3453b5a2fd55aa2ff05258f02580f2f