

Enumerating All Modules For a Process

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To determine which processes have loaded a particular DLL, you must enumerate the modules for each process. The following sample code uses the [EnumProcessModules](#) function to enumerate the modules of current processes in the system.

C++

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#include <windows.h>
#include <tchar.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <psapi.h>

// To ensure correct resolution of symbols, add Psapi.lib to TARGETLIBS
// and compile with -DPSAPI_VERSION=1

int PrintModules( DWORD processID )
{
    HMODULE hMods[1024];
    HANDLE hProcess;
    DWORD cbNeeded;
    unsigned int i;

    // Print the process identifier.

    printf( "\nProcess ID: %u\n", processID );

    // Get a handle to the process.

    hProcess = OpenProcess( PROCESS_QUERY_INFORMATION |
                           PROCESS_VM_READ,
                           FALSE, processID );

    if (NULL == hProcess)
        return 1;
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// Get a list of all the modules in this process.

if( EnumProcessModules(hProcess, hMods, sizeof(hMods), &cbNeeded))
{
    for ( i = 0; i < (cbNeeded / sizeof(HMODULE)); i++ )
    {
        TCHAR szModName[MAX_PATH];

        // Get the full path to the module's file.

        if ( GetModuleFileNameEx( hProcess, hMods[i], szModName,
                                   sizeof(szModName) / sizeof(TCHAR)))
        {
            // Print the module name and handle value.

            _tprintf( TEXT("\t%s (%x%08X)\n"), szModName, hMods[i] );
        }
    }
}

// Release the handle to the process.

CloseHandle( hProcess );

return 0;
}

int main( void )
{
    DWORD aProcesses[1024];
    DWORD cbNeeded;
    DWORD cProcesses;
    unsigned int i;

    // Get the list of process identifiers.

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if ( !EnumProcesses( aProcesses, sizeof(aProcesses), &cbNeeded ) )
    return 1;

// Calculate how many process identifiers were returned.

cProcesses = cbNeeded / sizeof(DWORD);

// Print the names of the modules for each process.

for ( i = 0; i < cProcesses; i++ )
{
    PrintModules( aProcesses[i] );
}

return 0;
}

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The main function obtains a list of processes by using the [EnumProcesses](#) function. For each process, the main function calls the [PrintModules](#) function, passing it the process identifier. [PrintModules](#) in turn calls the [OpenProcess](#) function to obtain the process handle. If [OpenProcess](#) fails, the output shows only the process identifier. For example, [OpenProcess](#) fails for the Idle and CSRSS processes because their access restrictions prevent user-level code from opening them. Next, [PrintModules](#) calls the [EnumProcessModules](#) function to obtain the module handles function. Finally, [PrintModules](#) calls the [GetModuleFileNameEx](#) function, once for each module, to obtain the module names.