

YARA Tutorial

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Installation

- Download yara binary from GitHub Release Page: <https://github.com/VirusTotal/yara/releases> and unzip it. *Files are already put at bin folder.*

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Administrator: C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

D:\sources_no_gd\nsp\2-creating-a-tutorial-on-static-binary-analysis-wcl\bin>dir
Volume in drive D is D+Data
Volume Serial Number is 74A6-4618

Directory of D:\sources_no_gd\nsp\2-creating-a-tutorial-on-static-binary-analysis-wcl\bin

2020/03/13  14:52    <DIR>          .
2020/03/13  14:52    <DIR>          ..
2019/10/10  19:27             1,486,336 yara64.exe
2019/10/10  19:28             1,443,840 yarac64.exe
                2 File(s)          2,930,176 bytes
                2 Dir(s)  998,980,521,984 bytes free

D:\sources_no_gd\nsp\2-creating-a-tutorial-on-static-binary-analysis-wcl\bin>
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Try find any URL in file

- Execute
yara64.exe ..\01_find_url.yar ..\target to
check if files in target folder is matched
rule: 01_find_url.yar
- Some string contains \x00 since strings
are store in UTF-16LE format. Just replace
\x00 in string make it readable.
- If you want to see matched pattern, add -s
parameter in yara64

```
rule MatchUrl
{
  strings:
    $urlPattern1 = /https?:\:\/\/([^\x00-\x0A]*)/
    $urlPattern2 =
/h\x00t\x00t\x00p\x00(s\x00)?:\x00\/\x00\/\x00([^\x01-\x0A]*)/

  condition:
    $urlPattern1 or $urlPattern2
}
```

Try find any URL in file

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0x254dd4:$urlPattern2: h\x00t\x00t\x00p\x00:\x00/\x00/\x00w\x00w\x00w\x00.\x00m\x00i\x00c\x00r\x00o\x00s\x00o\x00f\x00t\x00.\x00c\x00o\x00m\x00/\x00n\x00e\x00t\x00w\x00o\x00r\x00k\x00i\x00n\x00g\x00/\x00W\x00L\x00A\x00N\x00/\x00p\x00r\x00o\x00f\x00i\x00l\x00e\x00/\x00v\x00l\x00"\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00n\x00a\x00m\x00e\x00>\x00%\x00s\x00<\x00/\x00n\x00a\x00m\x00e\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00S\x00S\x00I\x00D\x00C\x00o\x00n\x00f\x00i\x00g\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00S\x00S\x00I\x00D\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00n\x00a\x00m\x00e\x00>\x00%\x00s\x00<\x00/\x00n\x00a\x00m\x00e\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00/\x00S\x00S\x00I\x00D\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00/\x00S\x00S\x00I\x00D\x00C\x00o\x00n\x00f\x00i\x00g\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00c\x00o\x00n\x00n\x00e\x00c\x00t\x00i\x00o\x00n\x00T\x00y\x00p\x00e\x00>\x00E\x00S\x00S\x00<\x00/\x00c\x00o\x00n\x00n\x00e\x00c\x00t\x00i\x00o\x00n\x00T\x00y\x00p\x00e\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00c\x00o\x00n\x00n\x00e\x00c\x00t\x00i\x00o\x00n\x00M\x00o\x00d\x00e\x00>\x00m\x00a\x00n\x00u\x00a\x00l\x00l\x00<\x00/\x00c\x00o\x00n\x00n\x00e\x00c\x00t\x00i\x00o\x00n\x00M\x00o\x00d\x00e\x00>\x00 \x00 \x00 \x00 \x00<\x00M\x00S\x00M\x00x00
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D:\sources_no_gd\nsp\2-creating-a-tutorial-on-static-binary-analysis-wcl\bin>yara64.exe -s ..\01_find_url.yar ..\target_
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0x25883c:$urlPattern2:
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acedesk.net/user-
manualCMainFrame::PrivateKtmMouseActivate
m_InputMouse.Initialize failed!
0x258880:$urlPattern2:
https://www.spacedesk.net/user-
manualCMainFrame::PrivateKtmMouseActivate
m_InputMouse.Initialize failed!
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Another try: find keyword: “expired”

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Administrator: C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
yara64.exe -s ..\02_find_expire.yar ..\target
MatchExpiredStr ..\target\spacedeskWindowsVIEWER.exe
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rule MatchExpiredStr
{
  strings:
    $expire1 = /expired/i
    $expire2 =
/([\\w\\s]\\x00)+e\\x00x\\x00p\\x00i\\x
00r\\x00e\\x00d\\x00/i

  condition:
    $expire1 or $expire2
}
```


Another try: find keyword: “expired”

```
Administrator: C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
yara64.exe -s ../02_find_expire.yar ../target
MatchExpiredStr ../target\spacedeskWindowsVIEWER.exe
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0x258500:$expire2: expired
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MatchExpiredStr ../target\spacedeskWindowsVIEWER.exe

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