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Executive Summary

In November 2023, USD CYBR-512 students were arranged into a forensic investigation team to conduct a computer forensics analysis of files from a Windows XP image (nps-2009-domexusers.E01). The team will provide law enforcement with any evidence of communication artifacts to determine if a crime has been committed. The primary test objective for this project is to identify if any users on the system communicated with, and sent any files to remote users.

Evidence Acquisition Processing Procedures

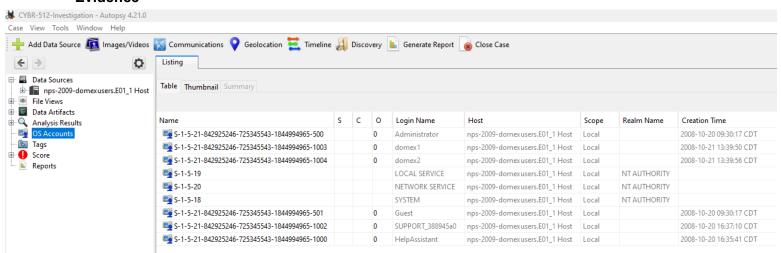
Testers received the disk image file "nps-2009-domexusers.E01" on November 28th, 2023 from the Digital Corpora website. This image was uploaded into Autopsy and ingested with all available modules selected. All analysis completed on the disk image file data was performed using Autopsy 4.21.0 and RegRipper.

Analysis

System Users and Associated Security Identifiers

Nine total users were identified on the processed image by drilling into results in the 'OS Accounts' section of Autopsy results. All users appear to be local to the system, suggesting the device was not joined to a domain. Included is a list of users by Security ID along with the corresponding Login Name.

Security ID	Login Name
S-1-5-21-842925246-725345543-1844994965-500	Administrator
S-1-5-21-842925246-725345543-1844994965-1003	domex1
S-1-5-21-842925246-725345543-1844994965-1004	domex2
S-1-5-19	LOCAL SERVICE
S-1-5-20	NETWORK SERVICE
S-1-5-18	SYSTEM
S-1-5-21-842925246-725345543-1844994965-501	Guest
S-1-5-21-842925246-725345543-1844994965-1002	SUPPORT_388945a0
S-1-5-21-842925246-725345543-1844994965-1000	HelpAssistant

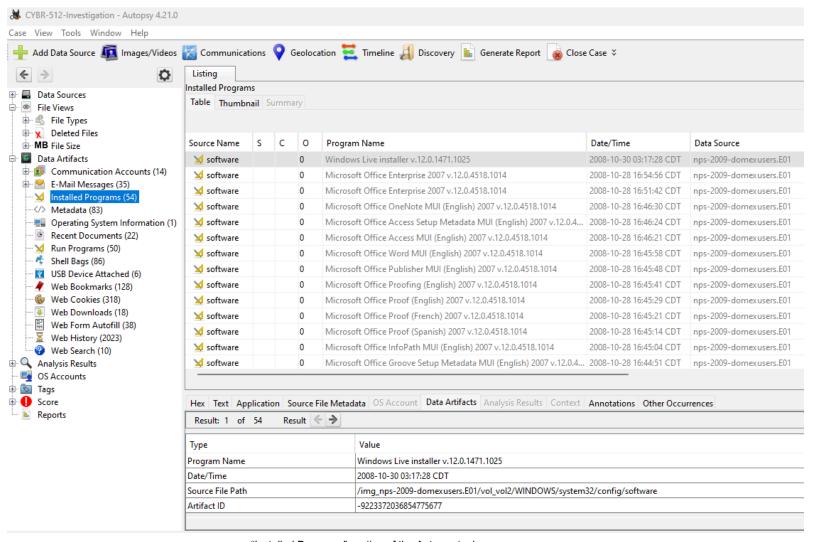


"OS Accounts" section of the Autopsy tool

Installed Applications and Software

Leveraging the 'Installed Programs' section of Autopsy results, a total of 54 applications were identified on the system. Six of these applications were identified as software that could be used for communication, which are highlighted below in Orange.

	Softwar	e	
Windows Live installer	Microsoft Office Groove MUI (English) 2007	AOL Diagnostics_N	ICW
Microsoft Office Enterprise 2007	Microsoft Software Update for Web Folders (English) 12	Pidgin v.2.5.2	NetMeeting
Microsoft Office Enterprise 2007	Microsoft Office PowerPoint MUI (English) 2007	GTK+ Runtime 2.12.12 rev a (remove only)	OutlookExpress
Microsoft Office OneNote MUI (English)	Microsoft Office Outlook MUI (English) 2007	Mozilla Firefox (3.0.3) (en-US)	DirectDrawEx
Microsoft Office Access Setup Metadata MUI (English) 2007	Microsoft Office Excel MUI (English) 2007	Google Gears	Fontcore
Microsoft Office Access MUI (English) 2007	Microsoft Office Shared Setup Metadata MUI (English) 2007	WIC	IE40
Microsoft Office Word MUI (English) 2007	Microsoft Office Shared MUI (English) 2007	Windows XP Service Pack 3	IE4Data
Microsoft Office Publisher MUI (English)	WebFldrs XP	Windows Genuine Advantage Validation Tool (KB892130)	IE5BAKEX
Microsoft Office Proofing (English) 2007	MPlayer2	Windows Genuine Advantage Validation Tool (KB892130)	IEData
Microsoft Office Proof (English) 2007	Picasa 3 v.3.0	VMware Tools	MobileOptionPack
Microsoft Office Proof (French) 2007	Mozilla Thunderbird (2.0.0.17) (en-US)	DXM_Runtime	SchedulingAgent
Microsoft Office Proof (Spanish) 2007	Viewpoint Media Player	PCHealth	Connection Manager
Microsoft Office InfoPath MUI (English) 2007	AIM 6	AddressBook	
Microsoft Office Groove Setup Metadata MUI (English) 2007	AOLOCP_Y	DirectAnimation	

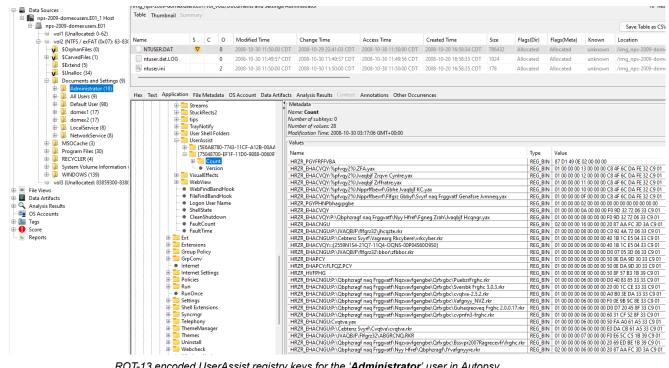


"Installed Programs" section of the Autopsy tool

Communication-Based Applications Run By Users

In order to identify which communication-based applications were run by users on the system, the NTUSER.DAT hive files within each user's profile folder in the C:\Documents and Settings directory were analyzed. ROT-13 encoded values of 'UserAssist' keys (HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion \Explorer\UserAssist) using Autopsy were decoded using the RegRipper tool to populate the below table.

Communication-Based Application	Executed?	Associated User(s)
Microsoft Office Outlook	Yes	domex1 domex2
Mozilla Thunderbird	Yes	domex1 domex2
AIM	Yes	domex1
Pidgin	Yes	Administrator domex1 domex2
NetMeeting	No	N/A
OutlookExpress	No	N/A

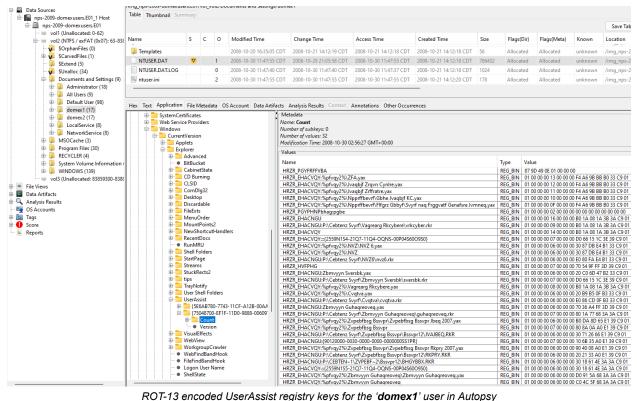


ROT-13 encoded UserAssist registry keys for the 'Administrator' user in Autopsy

```
Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\UserAssist
LastWrite Time 2008-10-20 21:58:41Z
{5E6AB780-7743-11CF-A12B-00AA004AE837}
Value names with no time stamps:
 {75048700-EF1F-11D0-9888-006097DEACF9}
 2008-10-30 03:17:06Z
     UEME RUNPATH (17)
     UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Documents\WLinstaller.exe (1)
UCHE NUMPATH:C:\UCumments and Settings\all Users\
2008-10-28 16:39:397

UEME_RUNPATH:C:\WINDOWS\System32\NOTEPAD.EXE (2)
2008-10-28 16:39:28Z
     UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Office2007Enterprise\setup.exe (1)
 2008-10-28 16:39:092
 UEME_UISCUT (9)
2008-10-21 17:49:367
 UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Pidgin\pidgin.exe (1)
2008-10-21 17:49:352
UEME_RUNPATH:Pidgin.lnk (1)
 2008-10-21 15:11:417
     UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\picasa3-setup.exe (1)
 2008-10-21 15:11:187
     UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Thunderbird Setup 2.0.0.17.exe (1)
2008-10-21 04:16:55Z

UENE_RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Install_AIM.exe (1)
     UEME RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\pidgin-2.5.2.exe (1)
 2008-10-21 04:16:352
 UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Firefox Setup 3.0.3.exe (1)
2008-10-21 04:14:337
 Z008-10-21 04:14:392
UENE_RUNPATH:C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\ChromeSetup.exe (1)
2008-10-21 03:53:452
UENE_RUNCPL:SYSDM.CPL (1)
 2008-10-20 22:51:532
2008-10-20 22:51:532
UEME_RUNPIDL (5)
UEME_RUNPIDL (5)
UEME_RUNPIDL:(c)\Documents and Settings\All Users\Start Menu\Windows Update.lnk (3)
UEME_RUNPATH:c:\WiNDOWS\system32\wupdmgr.exe (3)
2008-10-20 22:50:242
UEME_RUNPATH:c:\WINDOWS\system32\oobe\msoobe.exe (1)
2008-10-20 22:40:472
UEME_RUNDOMSTW:(.\Document_Side())\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\Document_Side()\
     UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Internet Explorer\iexplore.exe (1)
     UEME_RUNPIDL:::{2559A1F4-21D7-11D4-BDAF-00C04F60B9F0} (1)
UEME_RUNPIDL:::{2559AIF4-21D7-11D4-BDAF-00C04F6089F0} (1)
2008-10-20 21:57:322
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\MSN.lnk (14)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Mindows Media Player.lnk (13)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Mindows Messenger.lnk (12)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Accessories\Tour Windows XP.lnk (11)
     UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\Accessories\System Tools\Files and Settings Transfer Wizard.lnk (10)
```



ROT-13 encoded UserAssist registry keys for the 'domex1' user in Autopsy

```
Usernssis:
Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVo
LastWrite Time 2008-10-21 19:12:24Z
                                   e\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\UserAssist
 {5E6AB780-7743-11CF-A12B-00AA004AE837}
         DEBAB/80-7/43-11(F-A12B-00A

908-10-21 19:21:38Z

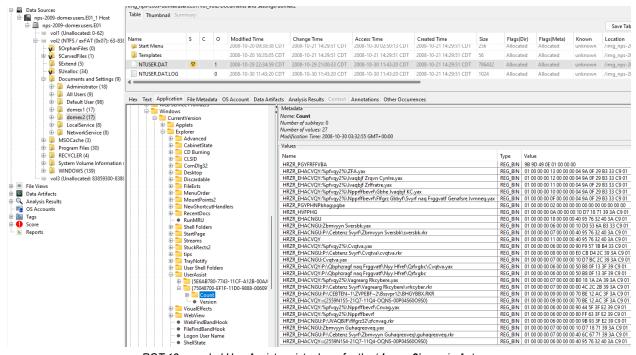
UEME_UITOOLBAR (2)

UEME_UITOOLBAR:0x1,104 (1)

UEME_UITOOLBAR:0x4,104 (1)
 Value names with no time stamps:
HRZR_PGYPHNPbhag:pgbe
  {75048700-EF1F-11D0-9888-006097DEACF9}
  (75048700-EFIF-11D0-9888-006097DEACF9)
2008-10-30 02:56:277
UENE_RUNPATH:(17)
UENE_RUNPATH:(17)
UENE_RUNPATH:(17)
UENE_RUNPATH:(15)
UENE_RUNPATH:(15)
UENE_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Internet Explorer.lnk (3)
UENE_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Internet Explorer.lnk (3)
UENE_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Nozilla Thunderbird\thunderbird.exe (2)
UENE_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Nozilla Thunderbird\U00fcrete (1)
UENE_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Nozilla Thunderbird (1)
UENE_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Nozilla Thunderbird (1)
UEME_RUMPID::Xscial2%\Mocilia Thunderbird (1)
2083-10-30 92-50:457

UEME_RUMPATH:C:\PROGRA~\MICROS~\Office12\OUTLOOK.EXE (1)
UEME_RUMPATH:C:\PROGRA~\MICROS~\Office12\OUTLOOK.EXE (1)
UEME_RUMPATH:C:\PROGRA~\MICROS~\Office12\OUTLOOK.EXE (1)
2008-10-29 16:15:572
UEME_RUMPATH:(90120000-0030-0000-00000FICE) (2)
UEME_RUMPATH:(90120000-0030-0000-00000FICE) (2)
UEME_RUMPATH:(:\Program Files\Microsoft Office\Office12\EXCEL.EXE (1)
2008-10-29 16:14:220
  2008-10-29 16:14:20Z
         UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Microsoft Office\Office12\WINWORD.EXE (1)
UEME_RUMPATH:(:\Program riles\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\u00f3\
          UEME_UISCUT (2)
UEME_RUNPATH:Mozilla Thunderbird.lnk (1)
  2008-10-21 19:27:31Z
          | UEME_RUNPTD|:%csidl2%\Pidgin.lnk (1)
  UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Pidgin\pidgin.exe (1) 2008-10-21 19:21:552
       UEME RUNPATH:Mozilla Firefox.lnk (1)
  2008-10-21 19:19:107
   UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\AIM6\aim6.exe (1)
2008-10-21 19:19:09Z
       UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\AIM\AIM 6.lnk (1)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\AIM (1)
 2008-10-21 19:10:517
       008-10-21 19:10:51Z
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\MINN.lnk (14)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Windows Media Player.lnk (13)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Windows Messenger.lnk (12)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Windows Messenger.lnk (12)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Accessories\Tour Windows XP.lnk (11)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Accessories\System Tools\Files and Settings Transfer Wizard.lnk (10)
```

Evidence of the 'domex1' user running communication applications decoded with RegRipper tool



ROT-13 encoded UserAssist registry keys for the 'domex2' user in Autopsy

```
UserAssist
Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\UserAssist
LastWrite Time 2008-10-21 19:29:54Z
{5E6AB780-7743-11CF-A12B-00AA004AE837}
2008-10-30 01:51:41Z
  UEME_UITOOLBAR (2)
  UEME UITOOLBAR:0x1,130 (1)
2008-10-30 01:51:29Z
  UEME UITOOLBAR: 0x1,120 (1)
Value names with no time stamps:
  HRZR_PGYPHNPbhag:pgbe
{75048700-EF1F-11D0-9888-006097DEACF9}
2008-10-30 03:32:55Z
  UEME_RUNPATH (19)
  UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Mozilla Firefox\firefox.exe (2)
  UEME_RUNPIDL (12)
  UEME RUNPIDL:::{2559A1F4-21D7-11D4-BDAF-00C04F60B9F0} (1)
 2008-10-30 03:29:10Z
 UEME_RUNPATH:C:\PROGRA~1\MICROS~2\Office12\OUTLOOK.EXE (4)
  UEME_RUNPIDL:::{2559A1F5-21D7-11D4-BDAF-00C04F60B9F0}
2008-10-30 02:44:347
  UEME UISCUT (5)
 UEME RUNNATH:Nozilla Thunderbird.lnk (2)
UEME RUNNATH:C:\Program Files\Mozilla Thunderbird\thunderbird.exe (2)
2008-10-30 02:42:39Z
 UEME RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Pidgin\pidgin.exe (3)
UEME_RUNPATH:Pidgin.lnk (2)
2008-10-30 02:42:36Z
  UEME_RUNPATH:C:\Program Files\Internet Explorer\iexplore.exe (2)
2008-10-30 02:42:35Z
  UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\Internet Explorer.lnk (2)
2008-10-29 16:20:24Z
  UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Accessories\Paint.lnk (1)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csid12%\Accessories (1)
  UEME_RUNPATH:C:\WINDOWS\system32\mspaint.exe (1)
2008-10-28 20:52:227
  UEME_RUNPIDL:C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Desktop\Pidgin.lnk (1)
  UEME_RUNPIDL:C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Desktop (1)
2008-10-21 19:35:00Z
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\Pidgin.lnk (1)
2008-10-21 19:30:03Z
  UEME_RUNPATH:Mozilla Firefox.lnk (1)
2008-10-21 19:28:137
  UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\MSN.lnk (14)
  UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\Windows Media Player.lnk (13)
UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\Windows Messenger.lnk (12)
  UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\Accessories\Tour Windows XP.lnk (11)
  UEME_RUNPIDL:%csidl2%\Accessories\System Tools\Files and Settings Transfer Wizard.lnk (10)
```

Evidence of the 'domex2' user running communication applications decoded with RegRipper tool

Recently Accessed Files

Available NTUSER.DAT Hive files were analyzed further in order to identify files and documents recently accessed per user. Testers again leveraged the RegRipper tool to decode OpenSave and RecentDocs MRU registry list keys

(HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\RecentDocs / OpenSaveMRU) and locate files accessed.

User	File(s) / Document(s) Accessed
	Firefox Setup 3.0.3.exe
	ChromeSetup.exe
	pidgin-2.5.2.exe
Administrator	Install_AIM.exe
	Thunderbird Setup 2.0.0.17.exe
	picasa3-setup.exe
	LicenseKey.txt
	autorun.inf
	This is a word document sent by domex user 1.docx
	This is a spreadsheet sent by domex user 1.xlsx
	web-mail-1-3-2.xpi
domex1	This is a word document by domex user 1.docx
	This is a spreadsheet deleted by domex user 1.xlsx
	This is a spreadsheet by domex user 1.xlsx
	This is a word document deleted by domex user 1.docx
domov2	WLinstaller.exe
domex2	domexuser2.JPG

Evidence

```
OpenSaveMRU\*
LastWrite time: 2008-10-20 22:45:40Z
  MRUList = fedcba
  f -> C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\picasa3-setup.exe
  e -> C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Thunderbird Setup 2.0.0.17.exe
  d -> C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Install AIM.exe
  c -> C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\pidgin-2.5.2.exe
  b -> C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\ChromeSetup.exe
  a -> C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Firefox Setup 3.0.3.exe
           RecentDocs
           **All values printed in MRUList\MRUListEx order.
           Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\RecentDocs
           LastWrite Time: 2008-10-28 16:39:39Z
             1 = Office2007Enterprise
             2 = LicenseKey.txt
             0 = autorun.inf
```

RegRipper tool output of recently accessed files for the 'Administrator' user

```
OpenSaveMRU\*
LastWrite time: 2008-10-30 03:38:16Z
 MRUList = cbda
 c -> C:\Documents and Settings\domex1\My Documents\This is a word document sent by domex user 1.docx
 b -> C:\Documents and Settings\domex1\My Documents\This is a spreadsheet sent by domex user 1.xlsx
 d -> C:\Documents and Settings\domex1\Desktop\web-mail-1-3-2.xpi
 a -> C:\Documents and Settings\domex1\My Documents\This is a word document by domex user 1.docx
            RecentDocs
            **All values printed in MRUList\MRUListEx order.
            Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\RecentDocs
            LastWrite Time: 2008-10-30 03:38:16Z
              1 = This is a word document sent by domex user 1.docx
              4 = This is a spreadsheet sent by domex user 1.xlsx
              0 = This is a word document by domex user 1.docx
              5 = This is a spreadsheet deleted by domex user 1.xlsx
              3 = This is a spreadsheet by domex user 1.xlsx
              2 = This is a word document deleted by domex user 1.docx
```

```
OpenSaveMRU\*
LastWrite time: 2008-10-30 02:59:06Z
MRUList = ba
h -> C:\Documents and Settings\dom
```

b -> C:\Documents and Settings\domex2\Desktop\WLinstaller.exe

a -> C:\Documents and Settings\domex2\My Documents\My Pictures\domexuser2.JPG

RecentDocs

**All values printed in MRUList\MRUListEx order.

Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\RecentDocs
LastWrite Time: 2008-10-30 01:44:48Z

1 = My Pictures
0 = domexuser2.JPG

RegRipper tool output of recently accessed files for the 'domex2' user

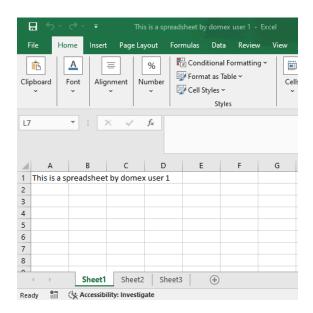
Contents of Office Files Recently Accessed by User

Testers proceeded with a targeted analysis of the **domex1** user's interactions with Microsoft Office files identified in the previous section based on suggestions from law enforcement to focus on Office files. The Autopsy navigator was used to browse the image filesystem path to each document found in evidence from the previous section and inspect contents.

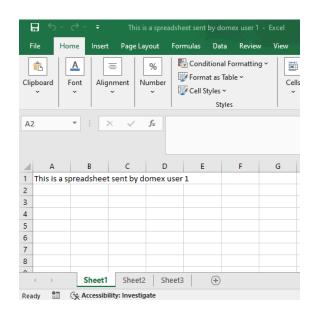
All documents observed in the C:\My Documents folder were found to have plain text matching their filename (i.e. the 'This is a spreadsheet by domex user 1.docx' contains the text, "This is a spreadsheet by domex user 1").

The 'This is a word document deleted by domex user 1.docx' file value was identified in the C:\RECYCLER key, but with a different name than the original file observed in the MRU List - "Dc3.docx". The same file was identified in the CarvedFiles key, indicating there was an attempt to delete the file permanently.

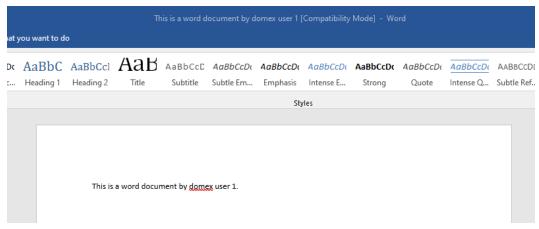
The 'This is a spreadsheet deleted by domex user 1.xlsx' file value was identified in the C:\RECYCLER key, but with a different name than the original file observed in the MRU List - "Dc4.xlsx"



"This is a spreadsheet by domex user 1.xlsx"



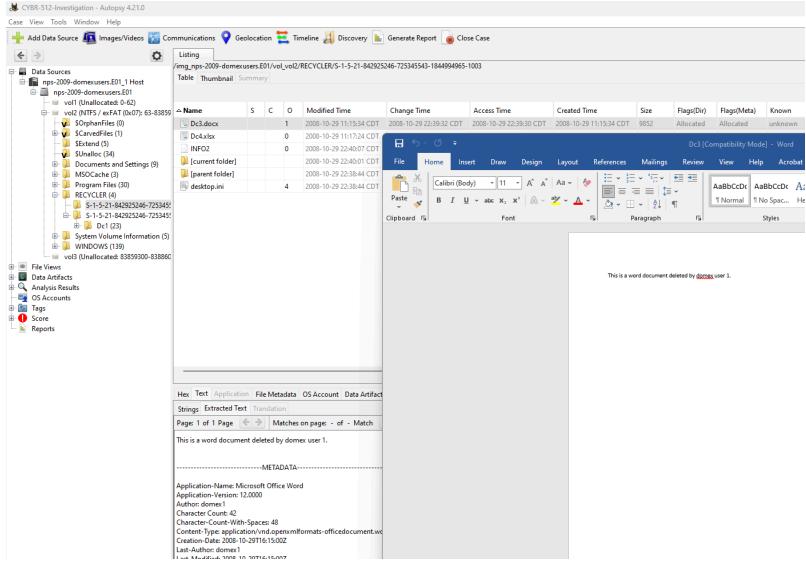
"This is a spreadsheet sent by domex user 1.xlsx"



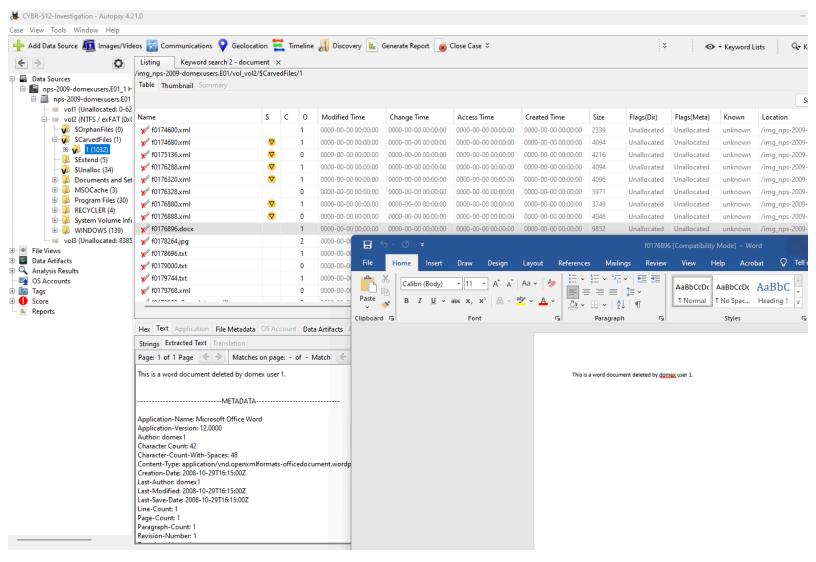
"This is a word document by domex user 1.docx"



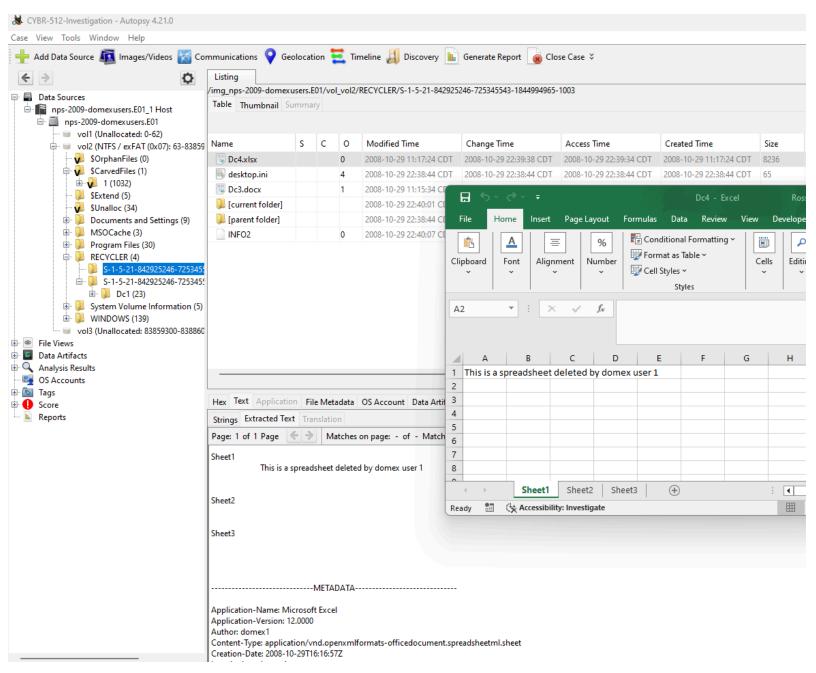
"This is a word document sent by domex user 1.docx"



"This is a word document deleted by domex user 1.docx" identified in C:\RECYCLER (Dc3.docx)



"This is a word document deleted by domex user 1.docx" identified in CarvedFiles (f0176896.docx)



"This is a spreadsheet deleted by domex user 1.xlsx" identified in C:\RECYCLER (Dc4.xlsx)

Emails Sent by Users, Recipient(s), and File Attachments

Testers investigated the email correspondence of users using Autopsy, focusing on those who used Outlook based on suggestions from law enforcement. Autopsy found 35 data artifacts involving Outlook emails, many of which were simply email header data. Artifacts that contained email plaintext were analyzed to piece together the email chain between "domex user 1", "domex user 2", and "domex user 3" using domains from gmail, hotmail, and live.

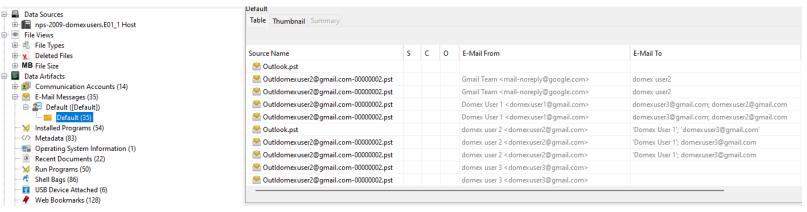
"Domex user 2" sent a photo attachment within one of the emails to the other two users. This photo attachment had the path:

/img_nps-2009-domexusers.E01/vol_vol2/"Documents and Settings"/domex2/"Local Settings"/"Application Data" /Microsoft/Outlook/Outlook.pst/domexuser2.JPG

"Domex user 1" sent two file attachments within one of the emails to the other two users. These file attachments had the paths:

/img_nps-2009-domexusers.E01/vol_vol2/"Documents and Settings"/domex2/"Local Settings"/"Application Data"/Microsoft/Outlook/Outldomexuser2@gmail.com-00000002.pst/"This is a spreadsheet sent by domex user 1".xlsx

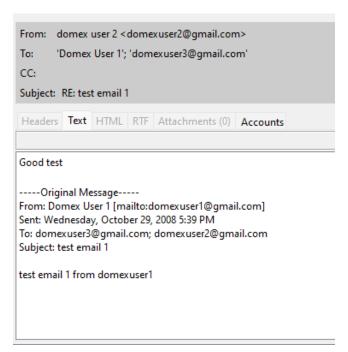
/img_nps-2009-domexusers.E01/vol_vol2/"Documents and Settings"/domex2/"Local Settings"/"Application Data"/Microsoft/Outlook/Outldomexuser2@gmail.com-00000002.pst/"This is a word document sent by domex user 1".docx



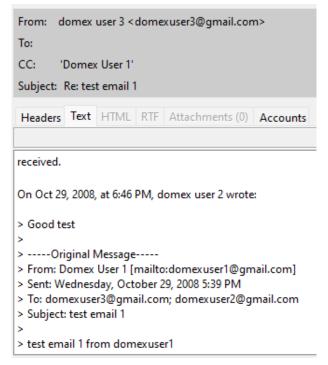
Outlook emails found in "Data Artifacts" > "E-Mail Messages" > "Default" > "Default"

From: Domex User 1 < domexuser1@gmail.com>
To: domexuser3@gmail.com; domexuser2@gmail.com
CC:
Subject: test email 1
Headers Text HTML RTF Attachments (0) Accounts
test email 1 from domexuser1

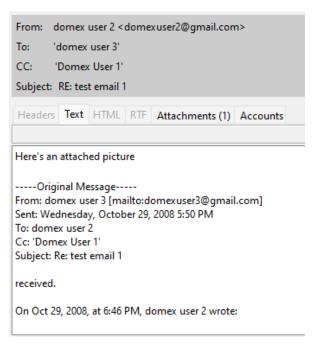
 $1/11-Email\ Message\ from\ domexuser 1@gmail.com\ to\ domexuser 3@gmail.com\ and\ domexuser 2@gmail.com$



2/11 - Email Message from domexuser2@gmail.com to domexuser3@gmail.com and domexuser1@gmail.com



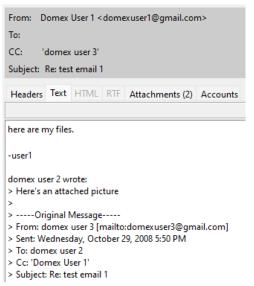
3/11 - Email Message from domexuser3@gmail.com that CCs domexuser1@gmail.com



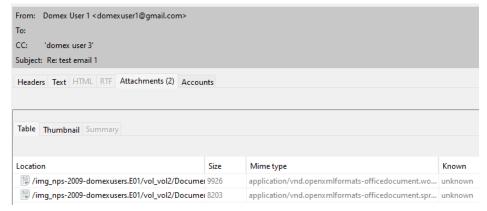
4/11 - Email Message from domexuser2@gmail.com to domexuser3@gmail.com and CCs domexuser1@gmail.com

From: domex user 2 <domexuser2@gmail.com> To: 'domex user 3' CC: 'Domex User 1' Subject: RE: test email 1</domexuser2@gmail.com>			
Headers Text HTML RTF Attachments (1) Account	nts		
Table Thumbnail Summary			
Location	Size	Mime type	Known
img_nps-2009-domexusers.E01/vol_vol2/Docume	19920	image/jpeg	unknown

5/11 - Photo Attachment in Image "4/11" from domexuser2@gmail.com to domexuser3@gmail.com and CCs domexuser1@gmail.com



6/11 - Email Message from domexuser1@gmail.com that CCs domexuser3@gmail.com



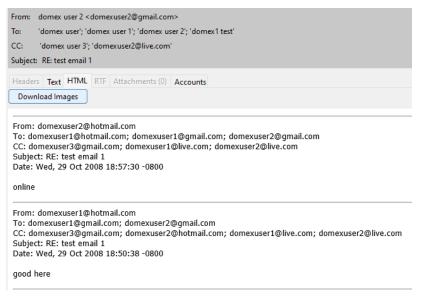
7/11 - File Attachments in Image "6/11" from domexuser1@gmail.com that CCs domexuser3@gmail.com

From: domex user 2 < domexuser2@gmail.com>
To: 'domex1 test'; 'domex user 3'; 'domexuser1@hotmail.com'; 'domexuser2@hotmail.com'
CC:
Subject: RE: test email 1
Headers Text HTML RTF Attachments (0) Accounts
Adding in the hotmail accounts
From: domex1 test [mailto:domexuser1@gmail.com] Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2008 6:42 PM To: domex user 2 Subject: Re: test email 1
replied from domex1 gmail firefox
On Wed, Oct 29, 2008 at 6:05 PM, Domex User 1 <domexuser1@gmail.com>v here are my files.</domexuser1@gmail.com>

8/11 - Email Message from domexuser2@gmail.com to domexuser3@gmail.com, domexuser1@gmail.com, domexuser2@hotmail.com

From: domex user 2 < domexuser2@gmail.com>
To: 'domex user'; 'domex user 1'; 'domex user 2'; 'domex1 test'
CC: 'domex user 3'; 'domexuser2@live.com'
Subject: RE: test email 1
Headers Text HTML RTF Attachments (0) Accounts
Download Images
Date: Wed, 29 Oct 2008 18:50:17 -0800 From: domexuser1@gmail.com To: domexuser2@gmail.com Subject: Re: test email 1 CC: domexuser3@gmail.com; domexuser1@hotmail.com; domexuser2@hotmail.com; domexuser1@live.com; domexuser2@live.com all accounts up?
On Wed, Oct 29, 2008 at 6:47 PM, domex1 test <domexuser1@gmail.com> wrote: this should have all of them.</domexuser1@gmail.com>

9/11 - Start of Email Chain from domexuser1@gmail.com to domexuser2@gmail.com and that CCs domexuser3@gmail.com, domexuser1@hotmail.com, domexuser2@hotmail.com, domexuser1@live.com, and domexuser2@live.com



10/11 - Continuation of Email Chain from domexuser1@hotmail.com to domexuser1@gmail.com and domexuser2@gmail.com and that CCs domexuser3@gmail.com, domexuser2@hotmail.com, domexuser1@live.com, and domexuser2@live.com;

From: domex us	
	ser 2 <domexuser2@gmail.com></domexuser2@gmail.com>
To: 'domex u	iser'; 'domex user 1'; 'domex user 2'; 'domex1 test'
CC: 'domex u	user 3'; 'domexuser2@live.com'
Subject: RE: test	email 1
Headers Text	HTML RTF Attachments (0) Accounts
Download Imag	ges
Good to see ev	reryone
Subject: RE: t	r 3; domexuser2@live.com est email 1
me too	
From: domexuser To: domexuser CC: domexuser Subject: RE: te	ser1@hotmail.com 2@hotmail.com; domexuser1@gmail.com; domexuser2@gmail.com 3@gmail.com; domexuser1@live.com; domexuser2@live.com st email 1 Oct 2008 19:27:03 -0800

11/11 - End of Email Chain from domexuser2@gmail.com to domexuser1@gmail.com, domexuser1@live.com, domexuser1@hotmail.com, and domexuser2@hotmail.com and that CCs domexuser3@gmail.com and domexuser2@live.com

"Pidgin Messenger" Software and Transmission Analysis

Using the "Keyword Search" function in Autopsy, testers were able to parse through the "Data Artifacts" and locate metadata on .xml files sent through Pidgin Messenger. The text data on this specific "blist.xml" file provides a "Recent Buddies" address listing for domexuser2. In this group, both domexuser1 and domexuser3 exist.

It is revealed within the data that domexuser2 is utilizing protocol "prpl-aim". At the bottom of the file it can be seen that domexuser2's account utilizes three different protocols to interact with Pidgin messenger:

- 1. "prpl-aim"
- 2. "prpl-jabber"
- 3. "prpl-msn"

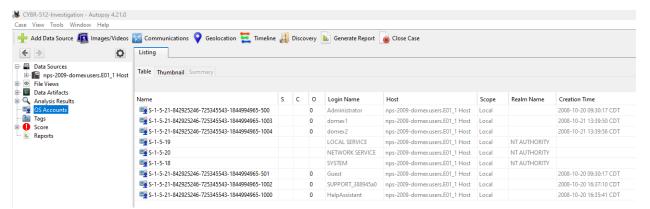
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blist.xml <?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8' ?>
<purple version='1.0'>
             <bli><bli><br/>t>
                          <group name='Non-IM Contacts'/>
                          <group name='Other Contacts'/>
                          <group name='Recent Buddies'>
                                       <setting name='collapsed' type='bool'>0</setting>
                                       <contact>
                                                    <budy/account='domexuser2' proto='prpl-aim'>
                                                                 <name>domexuser1</name>
                                                                 <setting name='last_seen' type='int'>1225305854</setting>
                                                    </buddy>
                                                    <setting name='gtk-mute-sound' type='bool'>0</setting>
                                       </contact>
                                       <contact>
                                                    <buddy account='domexuser2' proto='prpl-aim'>
                                                                <name><mark>domexuser3</mark></name>
                                                                 <setting name='last seen' type='int'>1225305854</setting>
                                                    </buddy>
                                       </contact>
```

```
<account proto='prpl-aim' name='domexuser2' mode='1'/>
<account proto='prpl-jabber' name='domexuser2@gmail.com/Home' mode='1'/>
<account proto='prpl-msn' name='domexuser2@live.com' mode='1'/>
```

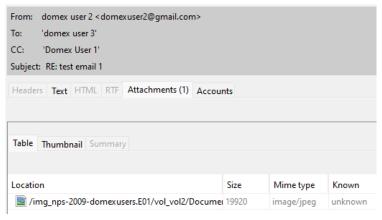
Files Transmitted to Remote Users

In light of all the evidence presented in the previous sections, the testers have found that there is strong evidence to suggest that users on the system were communicating and sending files to a remote user. When looking at the user account list in the first section of the analysis, it is clear that there are only two domex users on the local system: domex1 and domex2. Yet, when sifting through the email communications from domex1 and domex2, it can be seen that they are communicating with a third party known as domex3. In section 6 of the analysis, there are data artifacts of domex2 sending domex3 a photo attachment and domex1 sending domex3 two file attachments via email. In section 7 of the analysis, there is a data artifact of the user account domex2 having an account called domex3 on their buddy list that they communicate with. All of this evidence points to the conclusion that there are users on the system that are communicating and sending files to a remote user.

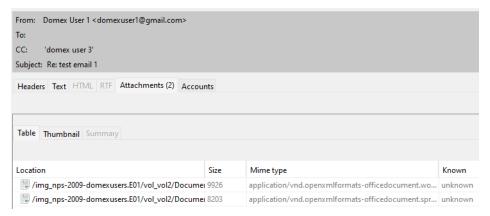
Evidence



All of the user accounts on the local machine. Domex1 and Domex2 are present but not Domex3.



Evidence of Domex User 2 sending a photo attachment to Domex User 3.



Evidence of Domex User1 sending two file attachments to Domex User 3.

```
blist.xml <?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8' ?>
<purple version='1.0'>
             <bli><bli><br/>t>
                          <group name='Non-IM Contacts'/>
                          <group name='Other Contacts'/>
                          <group name='Recent Buddies'>
                                       <setting name='collapsed' type='bool'>0</setting>
                                       <contact>
                                                   <budy/account='domexuser2' proto='prpl-aim'>
                                                                <name>domexuser1</name>
                                                                 <setting name='last_seen' type='int'>1225305854</setting>
                                                   </buddy>
                                                   <setting name='gtk-mute-sound' type='bool'>0</setting>
                                       </contact>
                                       <contact>
                                                   <br/>
<br/>buddy account='domexuser2' proto='prpl-aim'>
                                                                <name>domexuser3</name>
                                                                <setting name='last_seen' type='int'>1225305854</setting>
                                                   </buddy>
                                       </contact>
```

Evidence of Domex User 2 having Domex User 3 as a buddy on Pidgin Messenger for communication.