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Basic Usage

Typical command components:
 # vol.py -f [image] --profile=[profile] [plugin]

Display profiles, address spaces, plugins:
 # vol.py --info

Display global command-line options:
 # vol.py --help

Display plugin-specific arguments:
 # vol.py [plugin] --help

Load plugins from an external directory:
 # vol.py --plugins=[path] [plugin]

Specify a DTB or KDBG address:
 # vol.py --dtb=[addr] --kdbg=[addr]

Specify an output file:
 # vol.py --output-file=[file]

Image Identification

Get profile suggestions (OS and architecture):
 imageinfo

Find and parse the debugger data block:
 kdbgscan

Processes Listings

Basic active process listing:
 pslist

Scan for hidden or terminated processes:
 psscan

Cross reference processes with various lists:
 psxview

Show processes in parent/child tree:
 pstree

Process Information

Specify `--offset=OFFSET` or `--pid=1,2,3`

Display DLLs:
 dlllist

Show command line arguments:
 cmdline

Display details on VAD allocations:
 vadinfo [--addr]

Dump allocations to individual files:
 vaddump --dump-dir=PATH [--base]

Dump all valid pages to a single file:
 memdump --dump-dir=PATH

Display open handles:
 handles
 -t/--object-type=TYPE Mutant, File, Key, etc...
 -s/--silent Hide unnamed handles

Display privileges:
 privs
 -r/--regex=REGEX Regex privilege name
 -s/--silent Explicitly enabled only

Display SIDs:
 getsids

Display environment variables:
 envvars

PE File Extraction

Specify `--dump-dir` to any of these plugins to identify your desired output directory.

Dump a kernel module:
 moddump
 -r/--regex=REGEX Regex module name
 -b/--base=BASE Module base address

Dump a process:
 procdump
 -m/--memory Include memory slack

Dump DLLs in process memory:
 dlldump
 -r/--regex=REGEX Regex module name
 -b/--base=BASE Module base address

Injected Code

Specify `--offset=OFFSET` or `--pid=1,2,3`

Find and extract injected code blocks:
 malfind
 -D/--dump-dir=PATH Dump findings here

Cross-reference DLLs with memory mapped files:
 ldrmodules

Scan a block of code in process or kernel memory for imported APIs:

impscan
 -p/--pid=PID Process ID
 -b/--base=BASE Base address to scan
 -s/--size=SIZE Size to scan from start of base

Logs / Histories

Recover event logs (XP/2003):

evtlogs
 -S/--save-evt Save raw event logs
 -D/--dump-dir=PATH Write to this directory

Recover command history:
 cmdscan and consoles

Recover IE cache/Internet history:
 iehistory

Show running services:
 svcsnscan
 -v/--verbose Show ServiceDll from registry

Networking Information

Active info (XP/2003):
 connections and sockets

Scan for residual info (XP/2003):
 connscan and sockscan

Network info for Vista, 2008, and 7:
 netscan

Kernel Memory

Display loaded kernel modules:
 modules

Scan for hidden or residual modules:
 modscan

Display recently unloaded modules:
 unloadedmodules

Display timers and associated DPCs:
 timers

Display kernel callbacks, notification routines:
 callbacks

Audit the SSDT
 ssdt
 -v/--verbose Check for inline API hooks

Audit the IDT and GDT:
 idt (x86 only)
 gdt (x86 only)

Audit driver dispatch (IRP) tables:
 driverirp
 -r/--regex=REGEX Regex driver name

Display device tree (find stacked drivers):
 devicetree

Print kernel pool tag usage stats:
 pooltracker
 -t/--tags=TAGS List of tags to analyze
 -T/--tagfile=FILE pooltag.txt for labels

Kernel Objects

Scan for driver objects:

```
driverscan
```

Scan for mutexes:

```
mutantscan
-s/--silent Hide unnamed mutants
```

Scan for used/historical file objects:

```
filescan
```

Scan for symbolic link objects (shows drive mappings):

```
symlinksan
```

Registry

Display cached hives:

```
hivelist
```

Print a key's values and data:

```
printkey
-o/--hive_offset=OFFSET Hive address (virtual)
-K/--key=KEY Key path
```

Dump userassist data:

```
userassist
```

Dump shellbags information:

```
shellbags
```

Dump the shimcache:

```
shimcache
```

Timelines

To create a timeline, create output in body file format. Combine the data and run sleuthkit's mactime to create a CSV file.

```
timeliner --output=body > time.txt
shellbags --output=body >> time.txt
mftparser --output=body >> time.txt
```

```
mactime -b [time.txt] [-d] > csv.txt
```

Volshell

List processes:

```
>>> ps()
```

Switch contexts by pid, offset, or name:

```
>>> cc(pid = 3028)
>>> cc(offset = 0x3eb31340, physical=True)
>>> cc(name = "explorer.exe")
```

Acquire a process address space after using cc:

```
>>> process_space =
proc().get_process_address_space()
```

Disassemble data in an address space

```
>>> dis(address, length, space)
```

Dump bytes, dwords or qwords:

```
>>> db(address, length, space)
>>> dd(address, length, space)
>>> dq(address, length, space)
```

Display a type/structure:

```
>>> dt("_EPROCESS", recursive = True)
```

Display a type/structure instance:

```
>>> dt("_EPROCESS", 0x820c92a0)
```

Create an object in kernel space:

```
>>> thread = obj.Object("_ETHREAD", offset =
0x820c92a0, vm = addrspace())
```

Dump Conversion

Create a raw memory dump from a hibernation, crash dump, firewire acquisition, virtualbox, vmware snapshot, hpak, or EWF file:

```
imagecopy -O/--output-image=FILE
```

Convert any of the aforementioned file types to a Windows crash dump compatible with Windbg:

```
raw2dmp -O/--output-image=FILE
```

API Hooks

Scan for API hooks:

```
apihooks
-R/--skip-kernel Don't check kernel modules
-P/--skip-process Don't check processes
-Q/--quick Scan faster
```

Yara Scanning

Scan for Yara signatures:

```
yarascan
-p/--pid=PID Process IDs to scan
-K/--kernel Scan kernel memory
-Y/--yara-rules=RULES String, regex, bytes, etc.
-y/--yara-file=FILE Yara rules file
-W/--wide Match Unicode strings
-s/--size Size of preview bytes
```

File System Resources

Scan for MFT records:

```
mftparser
--output=body Output body format
-D/--dump-dir Dump MFT-resident data
```

Extract cached files (registry hives, executables):

```
dumpfiles
-D/--dump-dir=PATH Output directory
-r/--regex=REGEX Regex filename
```

Parse USN journal records:

```
usnparser (github.com/tomspencer)
```

GUI Memory

Sessions (shows RDP logins):

```
sessions
```

Window stations (shows clipboard owners):

```
wndscan
```

Desktops (find ransomware):

```
Deskscan
```

Display global and session atom tables:

```
atoms and atomscan
```

Dump the contents of the clipboard:

```
clipboard
```

Detect message hooks (keyloggers):

```
messagehooks
```

Take a screen shot from the memory dump:

```
screenshot --dump-dir=PATH
```

Display visible and hidden windows:

```
windows and wintree
```

Strings

Use GNU strings or Sysinternals strings.exe:

```
strings -a -td FILE > strings.txt
strings -a -td -el FILE >> strings.txt (Unicode)
```

```
strings.exe -q -o > strings.txt (Windows)
```

Translate the string addresses:

```
strings
-s/--string-file=FILE Input strings.txt file
-S/--scan
```

Password Recovery

Dump LSA secrets:

```
lsadump
```

Dump cached domain hashes:

```
cachedump
```

Dump LM and NTLM hashes:

```
hashdump (x86 only)
```

Extract OpenVPN credentials:

```
openvpn (github.com/Phaeilo)
```

Extract RSA private keys and certificates:

```
dumpcerts
-s/--ssl Parse certificates with openssl
```

Disk Encryption

Recover cached TrueCrypt passphrases:

```
truecryptpassphrase
```

Triage TrueCrypt artifacts:

```
truecryptsummary
```

Extract TrueCrypt master keys

```
truecryptmaster
```

Malware Specific

Dump Zeus/Citadel RC4 keys:

```
zeusscan and citadelscan
```

Find and decode Poison Ivy configs:

```
poisonivyconfig
```

Decode Java RAT config:

```
javaratscan (github.com/Rurik)
```

General Investigations	
Dump the system's raw registry hive files	<code>dumpfiles -p 4 --regex='(config ntuser)' --ignore-case --name -D ./</code>
Create a Graphviz diagram of processes	<code>psscan --output=dot --output-file=graph.dot</code>
Create a color coded diagram of processes memory	<code>vadtree -p PID --output=dot --output-file=graph.dot</code>
Translate an account SID to user name	<code>printkey -K "Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\ProfileList\{SID}" grep ProfileImagePath</code>
List run keys for HKLM and all users	<code>printkey -K "Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run"</code> <code>printkey -K "Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run"</code>
Find Unicode hostnames or URLs	<code>yarascan -Y "/(www http).+\.(com net org)/" --wide [--kernel]</code>
Find null-terminated ASCII dot quad IP addresses	<code>yarascan -Y "/([0-9]{1,3}\.){3}[0-9]{1,3}\x00/" --wide [--kernel]</code>
Locate and extract the HOSTS file to local directory	<code>filescan egrep hosts\$ awk '{print \$1}'</code> <code>0x0000000005e3c6d8</code> <code>dumpfiles -Q 0x0000000005e3c6d8 --name -D ./</code>
Extract the admin password hash	<code>hashdump grep Administrator > admin.txt</code>
Malicious Code	
Check if a process has domain or enterprise admin	<code>getsids egrep '(Domain Enterprise)'</code>
Identify processes with raw sockets	<code>handles -t File grep "\\Device\RawIp\0"</code>
Look for explicit enabled debug privilege	<code>privs --silent --regex=debug</code>
Identify alternate data streams	<code>mftparser grep "DATA ADS"</code>
Dump MFT-resident batch scripts	<code>mftparser -D output/</code> <code>file output/* grep "DOS batch file"</code>
Determine what is spying on the clipboard	<code>wndscan grep ClipViewer</code>
Dump injected code and focus on executables	<code>malfind -D output/</code> <code>file output/* grep PE</code>
Trace API hooks through memory	<code>apihooks -p PID --quick grep 'Hook address'</code> <code>0x1da654f</code> <code>echo "dis(0x1da654f, length = 512)" volshell -p PID</code>
Scan for a specific mutex on the system	<code>mutantscan grep [-i] [MUTANT NAME]</code>
Dump injected DLL, fix image base + IDA import labels	<code>dlldump --base=ADDR -p PID -D/ --fix -memory</code> <code>impscan --base=ADDR -p PID --output=idc > labels.idc</code>
Find binaries loaded from temporary directories	<code>envvars -p PID grep TEMP awk '{print \$5}'</code> <code>C:\DOCUME~1\ADMINI~1\LOCALS~1\Temp</code> Filter dlllist and modules output for the specified path
User Activity	
Detect remote mapped shares	<code>handles -t File egrep "\\Device\{LanmanRedirector Mup}"</code>
Files on Truecrypt volumes	<code>filescan grep TrueCryptVolume</code>
Extract ASCII and Unicode clipboard content	<code>clipboard grep TEXT</code>
Brute force search for command history	<code>yarascan -Y "/C:\\\\\.+>/" --wide [--kernel]</code>
Recently clicked applications and shortcuts	<code>userassist grep REG_BINARY</code>
Find prefetch files (recently executed programs)	<code>mftparser grep \.pf\$ awk '{print \$NF}'</code>
Kernel Memory	
Identify hooked driver dispatch tables	<code>driverirp --regex=tcip grep IRP egrep -vi '(tcpip ntos)'</code>
Look for hooked SSDT functions	<code>ssdt egrep -vi '(ntos win32k)'</code>
Malicious kernel callbacks and timers	<code>callbacks grep UNKNOWN (same with timers)</code>
Locate hidden thread-based kernel rootkits	<code>threads -F OrphanThread grep StartAddress</code>
Speed Enhancements	
Find and set the kernel DTB	<code>psscan grep System awk '{print \$5}'</code> <code>0x00319000 (Now use --dtb=0x00319000)</code>
Find and set the KDBG on XP-7 and 32-bit 8	<code>kdbgscan grep Offset grep V uniq</code> <code>Offset (V) : 0xf80002803070 (add to --kdbg)</code>
Find and set the KDBG on 64-bit 8 and 2012	<code>kdbgscan --profile=[PROFILE] grep KdCopyDataBlock</code> <code>KdCopyDataBlock (V) : 0xf80281ff5ea0 (add to --kdbg)</code>
Volshell Scripting	
Create a process ID lookup table	<code>by_pid = dict((p.UniqueProcessId, p) for p in getprocs())</code> <code>parent_name = by_pid[PID].ImageFileName</code>
Scan process memory and print a hex dump	<code>needles = ["abc123", "def456"]</code> <code>for hit in proc().search_process_memory(needles):</code> <code>db(hit)</code>
Extract a chunk of kernel memory to disk	<code>data = addrspace().zread(ADDR, SIZE)</code> with <code>open("output.bin", "wb")</code> as handle: <code>handle.write(data)</code>
Translate a kernel address and seek to it (raw dumps only)	<code>echo "addrspace().vtop(0x98dfd9c8)" volshell -f [MEMDUMP]</code> <code>597989832</code> <code>xxd -s 597989832 [MEMDUMP]</code>
Kernel modules with embedded PE signatures	<code>signed = [mod for mod in getmods() if mod.sec_dir()]</code>

Linux Commands

Processes Listings

Basic active process listing:

linux_pslist

List processes and threads:

linux_pidhashtable

Cross reference processes with various lists:

linux_psxview

Show processes in parent/child tree:

linux_pstree

Process Information

Specify `-o/--offset=OFFSET` or `-p/--pid=1,2,3`

Display shared libraries:

linux_library_list

List threads:

linux_threads

Show command line arguments:

linux_psaux

Display details on memory ranges:

linux_proc_maps

Dump allocations to individual files:

linux_dump_map

`-D/--dump-dir=PATH`

`--vma=ADDR` Range to dump

Display open handles:

linux_lsof

Display environment variables:

linux_psenv and linux_bash_env

ELF File Extraction

Specify `-D/--dump-dir` to any of these plugins to identify your desired output directory.

Dump a kernel module:

linux_moddump

`-r/--regex=REGEX` Regex module name

`-b/--base=BASE` Module base address

Dump a process:

linux_procdump

Dump shared libraries in process memory:

linux_librarydump

`-r/--regex=REGEX` Regex module name

`-b/--base=BASE` Module base address

Injected Code

Specify `-o/--offset=OFFSET` or `-p/--pid=1,2,3`

Find and extract injected code blocks:

linux_malfind

Cross-reference shared libraries with memory-mapped files:

linux_ldrmodules

Check for process hollowing:

linux_process_hollow

`-b/--base` Base address of ELF file in memory

`-P/--path` Path of known good file on disk

Command History

Recover command history:

linux_bash

Recover executed binaries:

linux_bash_hash

Networking Information

Active info:

linux_netstat

Interface information:

linux_ifconfig

Raw sockets:

linux_list_raw

Routing cache:

linux_route_cache

`-R/--resolve` DNS resolve destination IPs

Netfilter entries:

linux_netfilter

ARP cache:

linux_arp

Kernel Memory

Display loaded kernel modules:

linux_lsmod

Check for system call hooks:

linux_check_syscall

Check for network stack hooks:

linux_check_afinfo

Check for credential copying:

linux_check_creds

Check for file operations hooking:

linux_check_fop

Check for inline kernel hooks:

linux_check_inline_kernel

Check for hidden modules:

linux_check_modules

linux_hidden_modules

Check for TTY hooks:

linux_check_tty

Check for malicious keyboard callbacks:

linux_keyboard_notifiers

Print the kernel debug buffer:

linux_dmesg

Audit the IDT:

linux_idt (x86 only)

Userland API Hooks

Scan for API hooks:

linux_apihooks

`-a/--all` Check hooked PLT entries

Scan for GOT/PLT hooks:

linux_plthook

`-a/--all` List all PLT entries

`-i/--ignore` Libraries to ignore in processing

Yara Scanning

Scan for Yara signatures:

linux_yarascan

`-p/--pid=PID` Process IDs to scan

`-K/--kernel` Scan kernel memory

`-Y/--yara-rules=RULES` String, regex, bytes, etc.

`-y/--yara-file=FILE` Yara rules file

`-W/--wide` Match Unicode strings

`-s/--size` Size of preview bytes

File System Resources

List mount points:

linux_mount

Enumerate files:

linux_enumerate_files

Extract cached files:

linux_find_file

`-F/--find=FILE` Path of file to find

`-i/--inode=INODE` Address of inode to dump

`-L/--listfiles` Lists files in cache

`-O/--outputfile` File path to write

Disk Encryption

Recover cached Truecrypt passwords:

linux_truecryptpassword

Strings

Translate extracted strings:

linux_strings

`-s/--string-file=FILE` Input strings.txt file

Mac OS X Commands

Processes Listings

Basic active process listing:

mac_pslist

List PID hash table:

mac_pid_hash_table

List tasks:

mac_tasks

Cross reference processes with various lists:

mac_psxview

Show processes in parent/child tree:

mac_pstree

Process Information

Specify `-o/--offset=OFFSET` or `-p/--pid=1,2,3`

Display shared libraries:

mac_dyld_maps

Show command line arguments:

mac_psaux

Display details on memory ranges:

mac_proc_maps

Dump allocations to individual files:

mac_dump_map

`-D/--dump-dir=PATH`

`--map_address=ADDR`

Display open handles:

mac_lsof

Display environment variables:

mac_psenv and mac_bash_env

Display login sessions:

mac_list_sessions

Mach-O File Extraction

Specify `-D/--dump-dir` to any of these plugins to identify your desired output directory.

Dump a kernel module:

mac_moddump

`-r/--regex=REGEX` Regex module name

`-b/--base=BASE` Module base address

Dump a process:

mac_procdump

Dump shared libraries in process memory:

mac_librarydump

`-b/--base=BASE` Module base address

Injected Code

Specify `-o/--offset=OFFSET` or `-p/--pid=1,2,3`

Find and extract injected code blocks:

mac_malfind

Cross-reference shared libraries with memory-mapped files:

mac_ldrmodules

Command History

Recover command history:

mac_bash

Recover executed binaries:

mac_bash_hash

Networking Information

Active info:

mac_netstat

Active info from network stack:

mac_network_conns

Interface Information:

mac_ifconfig

ARP cache:

mac_arp

Route table:

mac_route

Socket filters:

mac_socket_filters

IP filters:

mac_ip_filters

Kernel Memory

Display loaded kernel modules:

mac_lsmod

Check for kernel API hooks:

mac_apihooks_kernel

Check for system call hooks:

mac_check_syscalls

Check for shadow system call table:

mac_check_syscall_shadow

Check sysctl handlers:

mac_check_sysctl

Check the trap table:

mac_check_trap_table

Check the mig table:

mac_check_mig_table

Check for file operations hooking:

mac_check_fop

Check for inline kernel hooks:

mac_check_inline_kernel

Check for hidden modules:

mac_lsmod_iokit

mac_lsmod_kext_map

Check for TrustedBSD hooks:

mac_trustedbsd

Print the kernel debug buffer:

mac_dmesg

API Hooks

Scan for API hooks:

mac_apihooks

`-R/--skip-kernel` Don't check kernel modules

`-P/--skip-process` Don't check processes

`-Q/--quick` Scan faster

Check for process hollowing:

mac_process_hollow

`-b/--base` Base address of ELF file in memory

`-P/--path` Path of known good file on disk

Scan for GOT/PLT hooks:

mac_plthook

`-a/--all` List all PLT entries

`-i/--ignore` Libraries to ignore in processing

Yara Scanning

Scan for Yara signatures:

mac_yarascan

`-p/--pid=PID` Process IDs to scan

`-K/--kernel` Scan kernel memory

`-Y/--yara-rules=RULES` String, regex, bytes, etc.

`-y/--yara-file=FILE` Yara rules file

`-W/--wide` Match Unicode strings

`-s/--size` Size of preview bytes

Disk Encryption

Recover possible Keychain keys:

mac_keychaindump

File System Resources

List mount points:

mac_mount

List cached files and their vnode addresses:

mac_list_files

Extract cached files:

mac_dump_file

`-q/--file_offset` Offset of vnode to dump

`-O/--outputfile` File path to write

Strings

Translate extracted string:

mac_strings

`-s/--string-file=FILE` Input strings.txt file

User Activity

Recover Adium messages, including OTR chat:

mac_adium

Recover Calendar entries:

mac_calendar

Recover contacts:

mac_contacts