# Forensic Investigation & Malware Analysis against Targeted Attack using Free Tools



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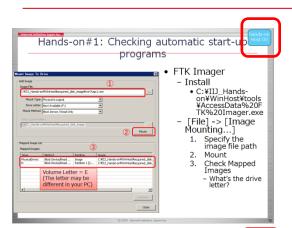
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### Setup Instructions

- Copy the files in USB flash memory
  - Copy "IIJ\_Hands-on" to "C:\" of your laptop (Host OS)
    - leaked\_file
      - 7z file including documents leaked during this incident
    - WinHost
      - Data and tools used on host OS
    - WinVM
      - Data and tools used on Windows VM
    - Documents
      - Hands-on PDF and its answer PDFs (password protected)
      - references for forensic investigation
  - NOTICE: "¥" stands for backslash in Japanese OS
- Extract the disk image
  - C:\forall IIJ\_Handson\forall WinHost\forall acquired\_disk\_image\forall win7usp1.zip
    - Vista and 7 users: Use "Extract all files" of OS function
    - XP users: Install 7-Zip and use it
      - C:¥IIJ\_Hands-on¥WinHost¥tools¥7z920.exe
  - DELETE the image after your hands-on!!

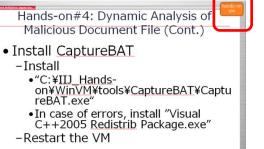
#### IMPORTANT: Hands-on Mark







Work on something in your host OS







Work on something in your guest OS



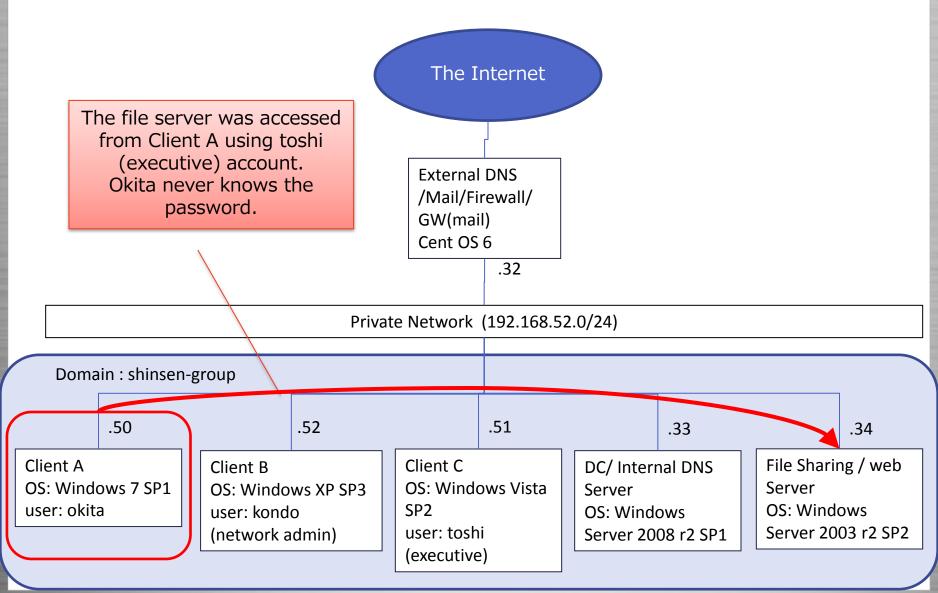


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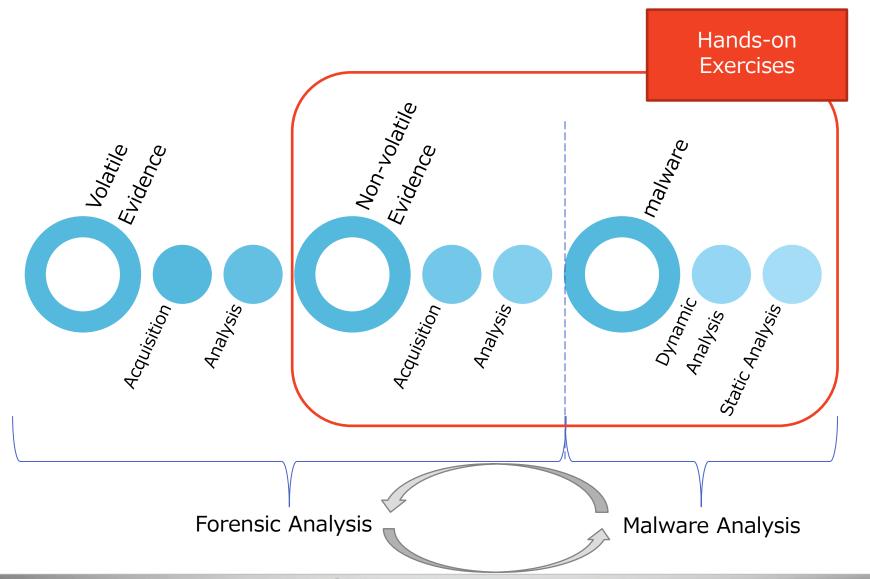
#### Scenario

- You are a member of CSIRT at a certain company
- You were externally-pointed out information of your company leaked
  - The leaked private documents were uploaded on the Internet
  - The file name is "a.7z"
- You identified the suspicious PC from the following evidences
  - file sharing server's event logs
  - interview outcome of clients
- That's why you decided to examine the PC

### Network Configuration



#### Flow of Incident Response



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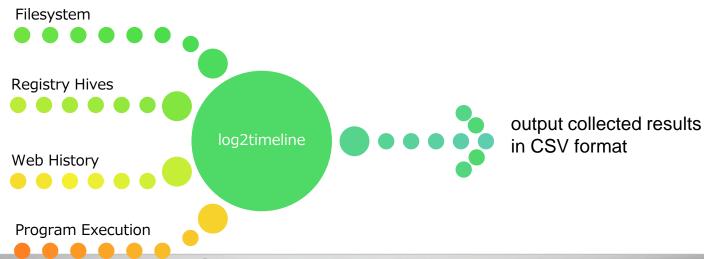
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#### Timeline Creation

- Create Timeline using log2timeline on SANS SIFT Workstation
  - Put together various timestamps (e.g., filesystem, registry) into one output form
- Narrow down time period of malware infection by using some information
  - Find malware infection signs (e.g., start-up locations, execution history caches)
  - Use external information (e.g., malicious URLs, IPS logs)
- Check the time period
  - Trace back from the period for infection root cause
  - Follow malicious activities after the period



# Timeline Creation(Cont.)

- log2timeline-sift on SANS SIFT Workstation
  - Creation
    - log2timeline-sift -win7 -z Japan -i path\_to\_the\_image\_file
  - If "Share Folders" is enabled, you can specify the image file in the host OS's folder
    - e.g, /mnt/hgfs/Host-Computer-C-Drive
- Check cheatsheet for details like command line options
  - C:¥IIJ\_Hands-on¥Documents¥log2timeline-cheatsheet.pdf

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sansforensics@SIFT-Workstation: ~
File Edit View Terminal Help
Host-Computer-C-Drive/IIJ Hands-on/WinHost/acquired disk image/win7usp1.
win7usp1.raw
                      win7usp1.zip
                                             win7usp1.zip hash.txt
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Image file (/mnt/hgfs/Host-Computer-C-Drive/IIJ Hands-on/WinHost/acquired disk i
mage/win7usp1.raw) has not been mounted. Do you want me to mount it for you? [y]
No partition nr. has been provided, attempting to print it out.
DOS Partition Table
Offset Sector: 0
Units are in 512-byte sectors
    Slot
                                                   Description
            Start
                          End
                                      Length
    Meta
            0000000000
                         0000000000
                                       0000000001
                                                   Primary Table (#0)
00:
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             0000000000
                         0000002047
                                       02:
    00:00
                                      0041938944
            0000002048
                         0041940991
                                                    NTFS (0x07)
        -- 0041940992 0041943039
                                      00000002648
                                                    unallocated
Which partion would you like to mount?: [1-3]: 2
sudo /bin/mount -o ro,loop,show sys files,streams interface=windows,offset=10485
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# Timeline Creation(Cont.)

- log2timeline-sift on SANS SIFT Workstation
  - filter by date range
    - l2t\_process -b /cases/timeline-outputfolder/ImageFileName\_bodyfile.txt
       StartDate (..EndDate) > path\_to\_output\_CSV

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sansforensics@SIFT-Workstation:~$ l2t_process -b /cases/timeline-output-folder/w
in7usp1_bodyfile.txt 09-01-2012 > /cases/timeline-output-folder/20120901win7usp1
_bodyfile.csv
There are 58 that fall outside the scope of the date range, yet show sign of pos
sible timestomping.
Would you like to include them in the output? [Y/n] y

Total number of events that fit into the filter (got printed) = 150381
Total number of duplicate entries removed = 30743
Total number of events skipped due to whitelisting = 0
Total number of events skipped due to keyword filtering = 0
Total number of processed entries = 514036
Run time of the tool: 15 sec
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# Timeline Creation(Cont.)

- log2timeline-sift on SANS SIFT Workstation
  - Check source types of entries extracted from CSV
    - awk -F, '{print \$6;}' path\_to\_the\_csv\_file | grep -v sourcetype | sort | uniq
  - v2.13 drops event log entries!
    - due to Japanese OS image?

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sansforensics@SIFT-Workstation:~$ awk -F, '{ print $6 }' /cases/timeline-output-
folder/20120901win7usp1_bodyfile.csv | grep -v sourcetype | sort | uniq
Application
Chrome History
Deleted Registry
EXIF metadata
FileExts key
Firefox Cache
Flash Cookie
Internet Explorer
Map Network Drive MRU key
Microsoft-Windows-Application-Experience/Program-Inventory
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## Analysis in the Case

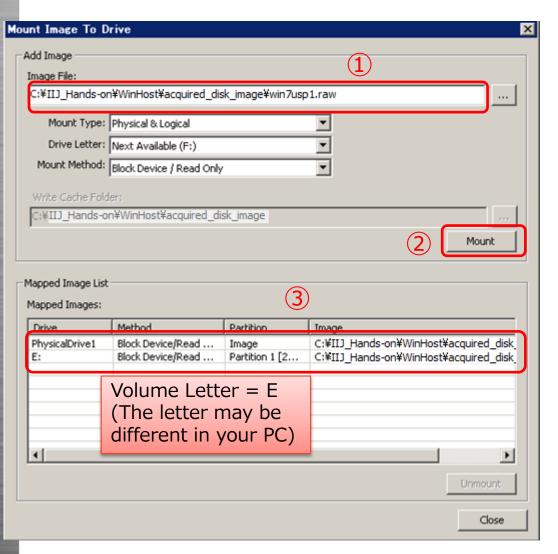
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#### Checking automatic start-up programs

- malware adds its automatic start-up setting in order to run after reboot or logon
  - Checking the configurations is one of the most effective methods to detect malware
- AutoRuns
  - Display all-in output of startup settings
    - e.g., registry Run keys, services, BHOs, etc..
  - Not only live systems, but offline system volumes can be examined
    - Use "Analyze Offline System" function
- FTK Imager
  - Mount disk images with read-only



#### Hands-on#1: Checking automatic start-up programs



- FTK Imager
  - Install
    - C:¥IIJ\_Handson¥WinHost¥tools ¥AccessData%20F TK%20Imager.exe
  - [File] -> [Image Mounting...]
    - 1. Specify the image file path
    - 2. Mount
    - 3. Check Mapped Images
      - What's the drive letter?



# Hands-on#1: Checking automatic start-up programs (Cont.)

#### AutoRuns

- Extract "C:¥IIJ\_Hands-on¥WinHost¥tools¥Autoruns.zip"
- Run autoruns.exe as administrator
  - Check the window name (admin user name is displayed?)
- Select [Options] -> [Filter Options] to reduce some noise
- [File] -> [Analyze Offline System...]
  - 1. System Root = Mounted\_Image\_Volume\_Letter:\foots
  - 2. User Profile = Mounted\_Image\_Volume\_Letter:\U00e4Users\u00e4okita







# Hands-on#1: Checking automatic start-up programs (Cont.)

- Question
  - Can you find the entry of a suspicious executable file in the result of AutoRuns?
    - the registry path and file path
    - why suspicious?
- Hints
  - The system is Windows 7 SP1, UAC enabled
    - Focus on user settings (e.g., HKCU) first
  - Most Microsoft binaries are not signatureverified unless the offline OS version is identical with your live OS version
    - Skip the Microsoft entries for now

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#### Identifying Malware Installation Time

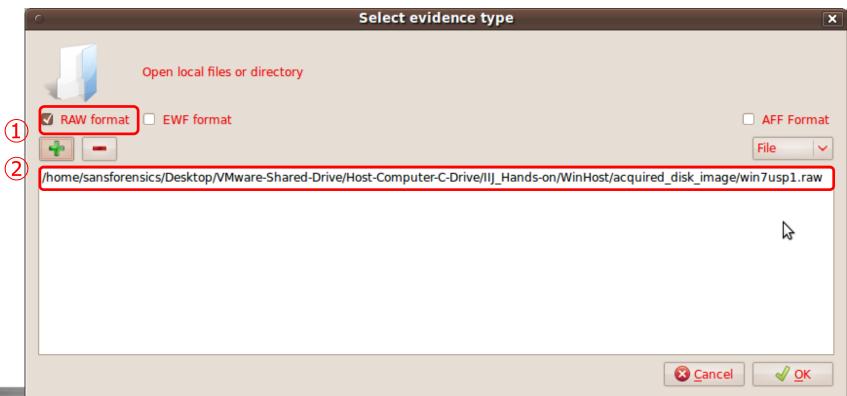
- We found suspicious registry entries
- Registry keys include last written timestamps
  - For root cause of malware infection, we can trace back timeline based on the timestamps
- Registry File Extraction
  - Digital Forensic Framework
    - Parse disk images, then browse/display file content including deleted/unallocated space
- Registry Analysis
  - Registry Decoder
    - Parse registry files, then brose/search the keys/values/data

Hands-on 2

#### Registry File Extraction

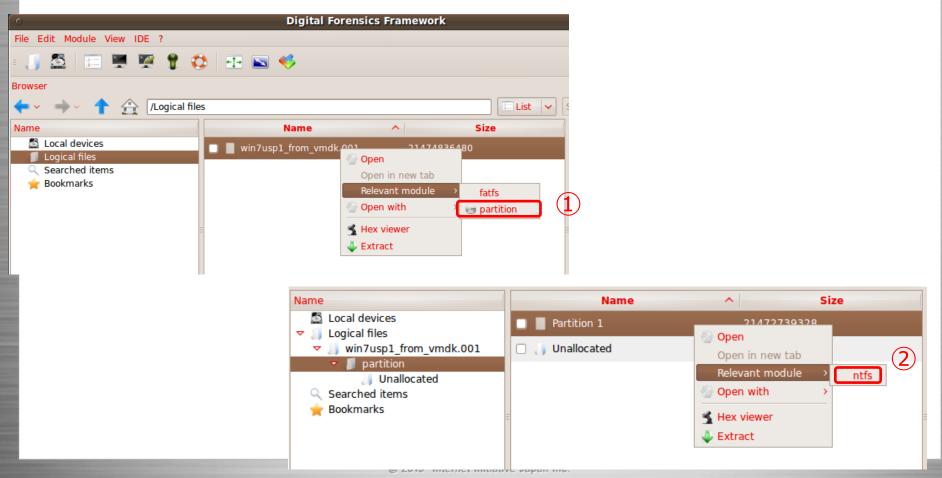
- Digital Forensic Framework on SIFT
  - Click DFF icon on SIFT menu bar
  - [File] -> [Open evidence file(s)]
  - Specify ①RAW format, ②image file path





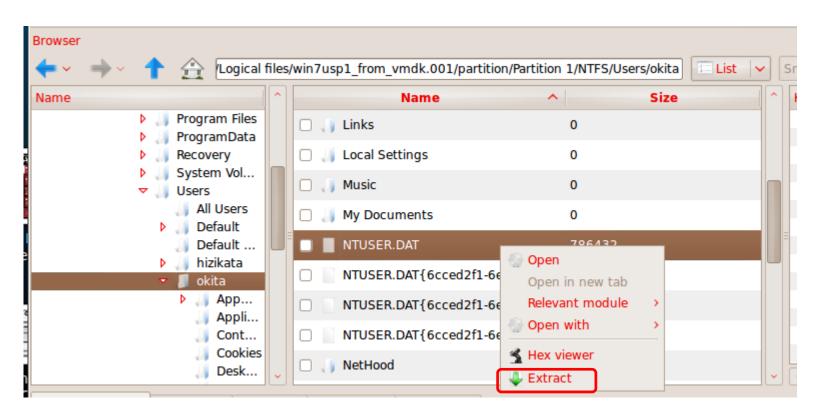
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- Digital Forensic Framework on SIFT
  - Parse NTFS filesystem using "Relevant module"
    - [Relevant module] -> ①partition, ②ntfs



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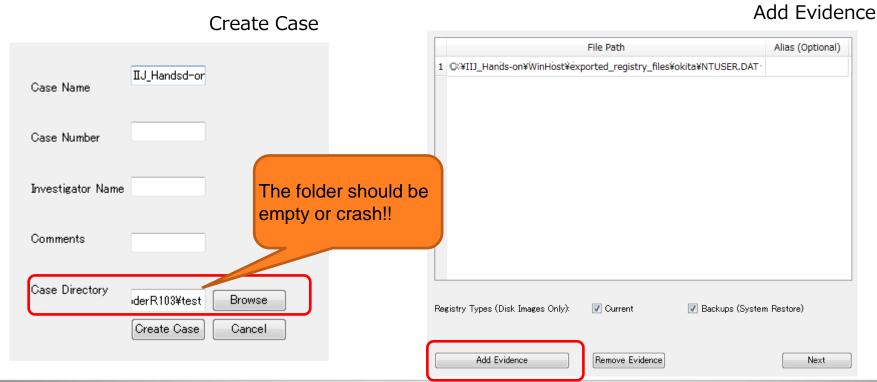
- Digital Forensic Framework on SIFT
  - Extract the registry file
    - Save it to Host OS's folder





#### Hands-on#2: Registry Analysis

- Registry Decoder
  - Extract "C:¥IIJ\_Hands-on¥WinHost¥tools¥regedcoderR103.zip"
  - Run regdecoderR103.exe
    - Select [Start a new case] and Next
    - Create Case
      - Case Directory="C:\fill\_Hands-on\file\WinHost\file\tools\file\regedcoderR103\file\test" should be newly-created!!
    - Add Evidence
      - C:\fill\_Hands-on\forall WinHost\forall exported\_registry\_files\forall okita\forall NTUSER.DAT





#### Hands-on#2: Registry Analysis

- Question
  - -Check the last written time of the registry key including the suspicious registry values
  - -How?

#### Hands-on#2: Registry Analysis

#### Hints

- Use Registry Decoder's Browse function
  - 1. Select [File View] tab, then click [View]
  - Select opened [Browse] tab, then check the Run key
- Use Registry Decoder's Search Function
  - 1. Select the registry file in [Search] tab
  - Input search keyword in [Search Term] text area
    - You should extract the keyword from exe file path
  - 3. Select [Partial Search] if needed
  - 4. Check all kinds of search targets
    - Keys, Names, Data

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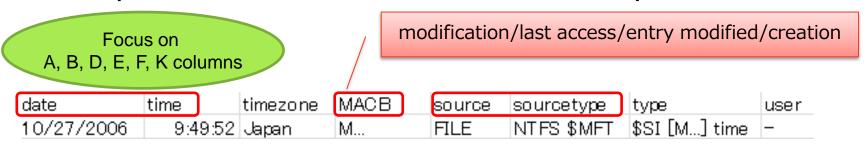
- Approach to root cause of malware infection
  - Check various timestamps of the suspicious binary for validation

	Registry key	File System	Prefetch	ShimCache
Description	last written time	MACB times	first & last run time	file modification time
Tool	log2timeline, Registry Decoder	log2timeline	Windows Prefetch Parser	ShimCache Parser
Risk	overwritten by another values	modified by malware	SSD image	? (shutdown needed)
Result YYYY/MM/DD HH:MM:SS	2012/10/5 18:48:30	2012/10/5 17:05:56	not found	2012/10/5 17:05:56



#### Hands-on#3: Timeline Analysis

- Check timeline generated by log2timelinesift
  - Extract "C:\fill\_Handson\file\WinHost\file\timeline\file\win7usp1current\file\20120901-win7usp1-bodyfile.zip"
  - Open the CSV file with Excel or OpenOffice



host short desc ve
WIN7USP1 C:/Users/okita/AppData/Roaming/Micr

If deleted, "(deleted)" is added

# Hands-on#3: Timeline Analysis (Cont.)

- Question
  - Are there any activities before the malware creation timestamp?
    - Related to the infection, what files were accessed/opened/created?
      - What was the user doing at that time?
- Hints
  - We have two timestamps
    - File System/ShimCache
      - 2012/10/5 17:05:56
    - Registry Key
      - 2012/10/5 18:48:30
  - In this hands-on, trace back timeline from the earlier timestamp only
    - In real case, we should check both of them
  - Check the activities for several minutes from the timestamp

#### Other Evidences of User Activities

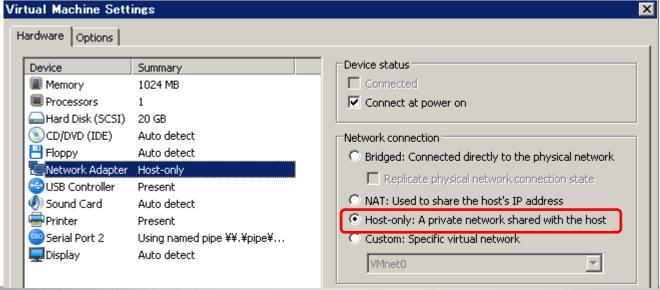
- GUI programs executed by the user
  - UserAssist key in NTUSER.DAT
    - number of runs, last run timestamp
  - Registry Decoder's User Assist plugin
- Opened files
  - Recently used Office files
  - JumpList
    - C:\forall Users\forall < user>\forall AppData\forall Roaming\forall Microsoft\forall Windows\forall Recent
    - JumpLister
  - NTUSER.DAT
    - Shell Bag, RecentDocs, etc...
    - Registry Decoder plugins (Search is also effective)

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#### Setting up Windows Guest VM

- Install VMWare Tools
- Settings for running malware
  - Change the network connection to "Host-only"
  - If you use VMWare Workstation, take a snapshot for restoration
    - [VM] -> [Snapshot] -> [Take Snapshot]
  - If you use VMWare Player, edit the .vmx file to clear changes after power off (See below)
    - C:\fill\_Hands-on\forall WinHost\forall conf\forall VMWare\forall Player\_Win\_setting\_En.txt
- Power-on & logon
- Create "C:¥MalwareAnalysis" folder on Windows VM, and drag and drop "C:¥IIJ\_Hands-on¥WinVM" on host OS into that folder



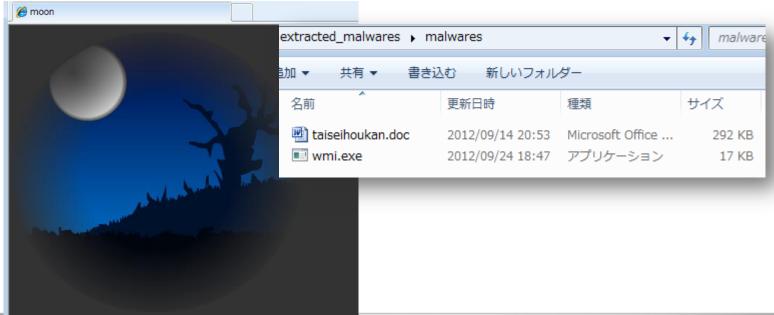
# Dynamic Analysis of Malicious Document File

- Dynamic Analysis
  - Monitor RAM/disk/network activities after opening the doc file "taiseihoukan.doc" on Windows VM
    - Monitor process/filesystem/registry/network
      - Process Hacker/Process Explorer
      - CaptureBAT
    - Emulate fake server
      - FakeNet



# Hands-on#4: Dynamic Analysis of Malicious Document File

- Set up for dynamic analysis
  - Install Adobe Flash Player ActiveX
    - "C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥tools¥flashplayer11\_2r202\_233\_winax\_ 32bit.exe"
  - Access to a Flash test page using Internet Explorer
    - "C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥tools¥flash\_IE\_test\_page¥moon.html"
  - Extract the malware from zip file (Password: "infected")
    - C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥extracted\_malwares¥malwares.zip".





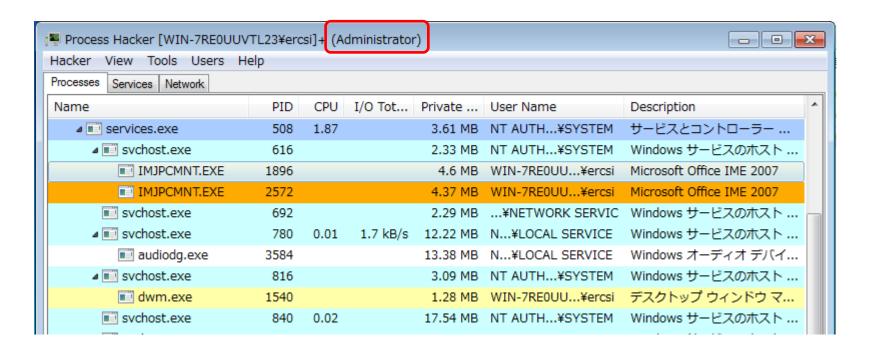
# Hands-on#4: Dynamic Analysis of Malicious Document File (Cont.)

- Install CaptureBAT
  - -Install
    - "C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥tool s¥CaptureBAT¥CaptureBAT.exe"
  - -Restart the VM



# Hands-on#4: Dynamic Analysis of Malicious Document File (Cont.)

- Process Hacker
  - Extract
    - "C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥tools¥processhacker-2.28-bin.zip"
  - Run as administrator
    - ArchName¥ProcessHacker.exe
  - Check process trees, installed services, network socket status



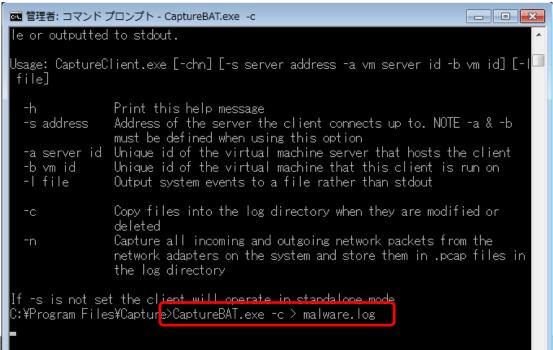


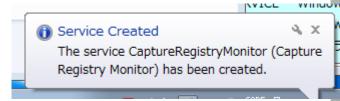
- FakeNet
  - Disable Windows Firewall
  - Extract
    - "C:\text{YMalwareAnalysis\text{YWinVM\text{Ytools\text{YFakenet1.0c.zip"}}}
  - Run as administrator on cmd.exe
  - Check the configuration using nslookup command or web access

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■ 管理者: コマンド プロンプト - fakenet
                                                                       - - X
C:\foots\foots\foots\text{windows_VM\fakenet1.0c\fakenet1.0b\fakenet
FakeNet Version 1.0
[Starting program, for help open a web browser and surf to any URL.]
[Press CTRL-C to exit.]
[Modifying local DNS Settings.]
Scanning Installed Providers
Installing Lavered Providers
Preparing To Reoder Installed Chains
Reodering Installed Chains
Saving New Protocol Order
[Listening for DNS traffic on port: 53.]
[Listening for traffic on port 80.]
[Listening for SSL traffic on port 443.]
[Listening for SSL traffic on port 8443.]
[Listening for traffic on port 8080.]
[Listening for traffic on port 8000.]
[Listening for traffic on port 1337.]
[Listening for SSL traffic on port 31337.]
[Listening for ICMP traffic.]
[Listening for traffic on port 25.]
[Listening for SSL traffic on port 465.]
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- Run CaptureBAT
  - After installation, the binary is located at C:\(\frac{1}{2}\)Program Files\(\frac{1}{2}\)Capture
  - Run as administrator on cmd.exe
    - Redirect the output to log file
    - -c: Capture modified and deleted files
  - After running, Check whether Process Hacker reports CaptureBAT services are created
    - If you cannot find the message, please check Services tab in Process Hacker







- Open the doc file
  - taiseihoukan.doc in "C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥extracted\_malwares¥malwares.zip"
  - Run wmi.exe if Office 2007 is not installed in your VM
    - does NOT work on Office 2003 and 2010
- If successful, a dummy document will be opened



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- Questions
  - What's the malicious hostname and port number where the malware tries to connect?
  - Which process adds auto-start settings for the malware?
- Hint
  - Check the results
    - CaptureBAT
      - Press any key to exit
      - Search doc/exe name in the log
    - FakeNet
      - Press Ctrl-C
      - Check the console output

# Analyzing Malicious Office Documents

- Checking embedded code/file
  - -String search
    - Flash file signatures ("FWS", "CWS")
    - JavaScript ("ScriptBridge"), etc...
  - Parse OLE structure
    - FileInsight
    - Pyew/hachoir-subfile
- Scanning malicious payloads
  - OfficeMalScanner
    - Detect & extract PE/shellcode/swf

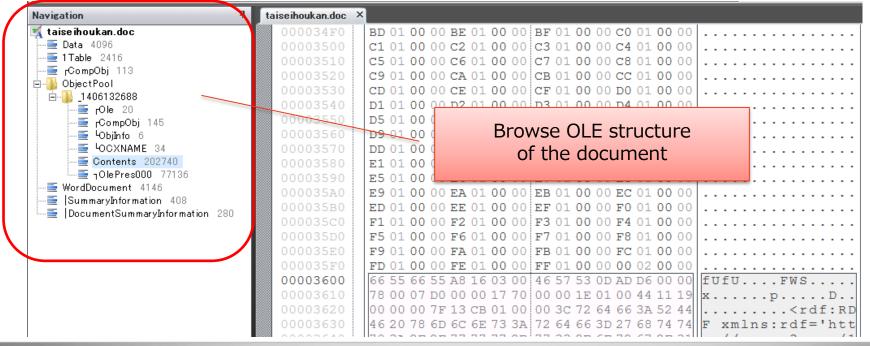


# Hands-on#5: Analyzing Malicious Office Documents

- You should work in VM, not host OS (See hands-on mark)
- Question
  - Do you think what vulnerability was used for the exploitation of the PC?
    - Guess CVE number of this exploit.
- Hints
  - Notice: The document seemed to include a Flash object
  - Check & extract an embedded object in the Office document
    - FileInsight
    - OfficeMalScanner
  - Decompile the object
    - AS3 Sorcerer
    - Read the decompiled code and guess the vulnerability
    - Find characteristic strings and use search engine (e.g. Google);-)

# Hands-on#5: Analyzing Malicious Office Documents (Cont.)

- How to use & install tools
  - FileInsight
    - Install
      - "C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥tools¥fileinsight.exe" in VM
    - Run
      - Drag and Drop "taiseihoukan.doc" into FileInsight





# Hands-on#5: Analyzing Malicious Office Documents (Cont.)

- How to use & install tools
  - OfficeMalScanner
    - Extract
       "C:\footnote{MalwareAnalysis\foots\footnote{WinVM\foots\footnote{MalScanner.zip}"
    - Run "OfficeMalScanner.exe path\_to\_doc scan"
      - Search PE/shellcode patterns and extract them
      - Extract SWF file

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# Hands-on#5: Analyzing Malicious Office Documents (Cont.)

- How to use & install tools
  - AS3 Sorcerer
    - Install
      - "C:¥MalwareAnalysis¥WinVM¥tools¥as3sorcerer\_setup.exe" in VM
    - Run and drag-and-drop the swf file into AS3 Sorcerer
    - Find characteristic strings and guess the vulnerability
      - Use search engine (e.g. google)

```
public var allocs:Array;

public function Main():void{
    this.FontClass = Main_FontClass;
    super();
    this.heapSpray();
    this.TextBlock_createTextLineExample();
}

public function TextBlock_createTextLineExample():vo
    var _locall = "Edit the world in hex.";
    var _local2:FontDescription = new FontDescription
```

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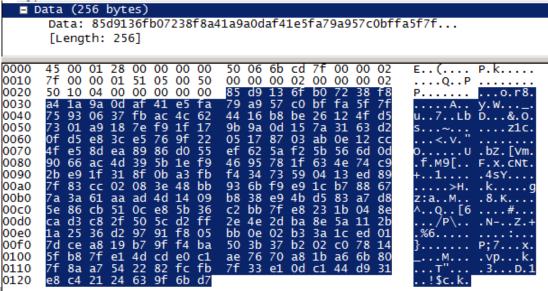
## Shellcode Analysis

- Identification by reading decompiled code or p-code
- extraction from swf file
  - Use hex editor (e.g., FileInsight)
- emulation (checking APIs)
  - e.g., libemu
  - But, emulation doesn't work for this shellcode...
- Debugging
  - binary paste to debuggers or use launcher program
    - http://practicalmalwareanalysis.com/labs/
- Static Analysis
  - IDA Pro

```
push:
        ecx
      [ebp+sc.field_113_hFile_exp_doc]
push.
        [ebp+sc.field_8_kernel32_GetFileSize]
call
        eax, [ebp+sc.field_12F_word_doc_size]
cmp
        short loc_1E2
inz
push.
        ebp
push.
        80h : 'I'
push.
push.
push.
push.
        GENERIC WRITE
push.
        eax, [ebp+sc.field_34_aWordl_tmp]
lea
        [ebp+sc.field_4_kernel32_CreateFileA], 5
add
                         : opening C:\WINDOWS\TWORDE.tmp
imp
```

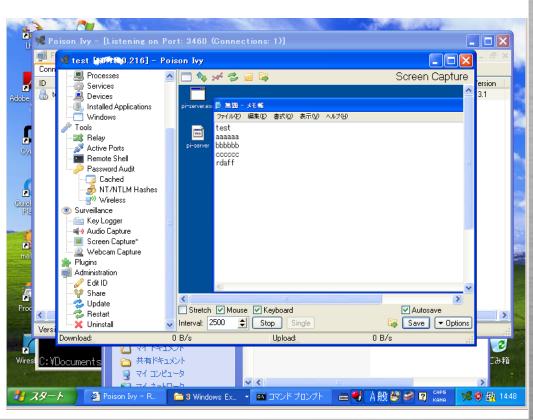
## Identifying the Malware

- Open the pcap captured by fakenet using Wireshark
  - The malware initiated communication by sending random 256 bytes on TCP port 80 of the server
  - PoisonIvy?
    - Camellia Encryption's challenge-response negotiation
      - https://media.blackhat.com/bh-eu-10/presentations/Dereszowski/BlackHat-EU-2010-Dereszowski-Targeted-Attacks-slides.pdf
      - http://labs.alienvault.com/labs/index.php/category/blog/page/3/



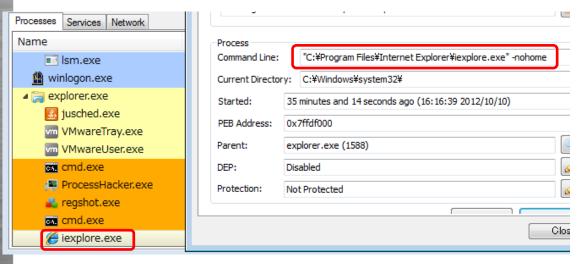
### What's Poison Ivy?

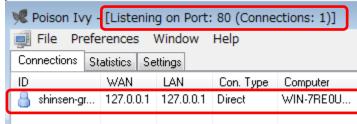
- Poison Ivy is an infamous RAT(Remote Administration Tool)
- Everyone can download the latest version at a certain web site
- execute arbitrary code
- keylogging
- hijacking mouse/keyboard
- stealing data MIC/WebCam
- •file download/upload and so on ...



### Other Traits of Poison Ivy

- Hidden iexplore.exe
- PoisonIvy GUI client in VM can be connected from the malware
  - Because Fakenet redirect the connection to localhost
  - The password is default ;-)
- Quick Analysis using Memory Forensics
  - Redline's Malware Risk Index (handle name: !VoqA.I4)
  - Code injection activities





#### Malware Risk Index Hits



This process has a module which imports a suspicious Handle (Mutant) )!VoqA.I4. "Process has a known Poison Ivy mutant".

### Analyzing Poison Ivy

- Unpacking
  - Break VirtualAllocEx/VirtualProtectEx and extract the unpacked PE
- Debugging
  - Fragmented code injections
    - wmi.exe
      - inject code to explorer.exe
    - explorer.exe
      - install wmi.exe, create iexplore.exe process and inject code to it
    - iexplore.exe
      - connect to Poison Ivy GUI client
- Static Analysis
  - shellcode-like API resolution
  - position-independent code (e.g., call [esi + \*])

```
: flProtect
        40h
lpush
        3000h
                         ; flAllocationType
lpushi
        [ebp+dwSize]
                         : dwSize
lpush.
                          : IpAddress
lbush
        [ebp+hProcess] : hProcess
bush
        [esi+pi_struc.field_b1_kernel32_VirtualAllocEx]
call
push
        eax
        edi, [ebp+var_4]
lea
                         ; *IpNumberOfBytesWritten
lpush
        edi
        [ebp+dwSize]
lpush
        [ebp+arg_C]
push
                           IpBuffer
lpush
        [esi+pi_struc.field_b5_kernel32_WriteProcessMemory
call
```

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# Result about Root Cause Analysis of Malware Infection

See the answer slide

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- Question1
  - -Examine post-infection activities
    - Is there any tool or exploit used by the attacker?
    - When was the tool downloaded?



- Hints for Question1
  - Imagine Attacker's Activities from evidences that have been achieved thus far
    - a.7z
      - Domain Controller password hash database (ntds.dit) was included
        - » It means DC was compromised ®
    - Event logs
      - Different person account was authenticated on Client A
        - » The acquired password hash may be used
    - What kind of tools did he use for these operations?

- Hints for Question1
  - -Strategies checking timeline
    - check the period after malware installation
    - check external information to narrow down the time period
      - -in this case, "a.7z"
      - -check result\*.txt
        - » suspicious path
          - » "C:¥Users¥okita¥AppData¥Local¥Temp¥t"
        - » sign of "psexec" execution
          - » "¥PIPE¥psexecsvc" found in "net file" command
    - search "psexec" on timeline

- Hints for Question1
  - timestamps changed by the attacker
    - Two kinds of timestamps in NTFS file system
      - Standard Information (SI) Attribute
      - File Name (FN) Attribute
    - If you want to make timeline with FN attribute timestamps for yourself, you should change log2timeline-sift code
      - http://list-archives.org/2012/07/10/dfir-lists-sansorg/log2timeline-vs-log2timeline-sift/f/4359338113

SI Attribute includes timestamps generally referred to by OS. They can be modified by APIs (e.g., SetFileTime).

FN Attribute also has timestamps but it cannot be modified by APIs.

MFT record of the file

MFT Header

Standard Information (SI) Attribute

Filename (FN) Attribute

Remaining Attributes... (e.g., Data Attribute)

- Hints for Question1
  - Extract and check the timeline with FN timestamps
    - "C:¥IIJ\_Hands-on¥WinHost¥timeline¥win7usp1current-with-fn¥20120901win7usp1\_bodyfile\_with-fn.csv.zip"
  - Search one of the tool names (e.g., "psexec")
    - check the FN attribute timestamp
      - You can differentiate kinds of file system timestamp by means of type(G) column

Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	T	J	
date	time	timezone	MACB	source	sourcetype	type	user	host	short	desc
10/27/2006	9:49:52	Japan	M	FILE	NTFS \$MFT	\$SI [M] time	-	WIN7USP:	C:/Users/	C:/Users/okita/App
7/1/2007	1:35:21	Japan	M	FILE	NTFS \$MFT	\$FN [M] time	-	WIN7USP:	C:/Users/	C:/Users/okita/App
2/5/2008	8:00:00	Japan	M	FILE	NTFS \$MFT	\$FN [M] time	<b>[</b> -	WIN7USP:	C:/Users/	C:/Users/okita/App
2/10/2008	14:30:46	Japan	M	FILE	NTFS \$MFT	\$FN [M] time	-	WIN7USP:	C:/Users/	C:/Users/okita/App
6/11/2009	6:16:34	Japan	.A.B	FILE	NTFS \$MFT	\$FN [.A.B] time	-	WIN7USP:	C:/Windo	C:/Windows/Syster
6/11/2009	6:16:34	Japan	.A.B	FILE	NTFS \$MFT	\$FN [.A.B] time	-	WIN7USP:	C:/Windo	C:/Windows/winsx
6/11/2009	6:16:34	Japan	.A.B	FILE	NTFS \$MFT	\$FN [.A.B] time	-	WIN7USP:	C:/Windo	C:/Windows/winsx



- Question2
  - -Examine post-infection activities
    - •Can you find "a.7z"?
      - -Any other leaked files?

- Hints for Question2
  - overwritten file meta data or securely deleted files
    - Restore files from Volume Shadow Copy
      - Windows Approach (Windows 7/Server 2008 required)

The image will be overwritten without confirmation!

Don't run twice!

- » Convert the dd image to vhd format (image backup recommended)
  - » vhdtool /convert <filename>
    - » C:¥IIJ Hands-on¥WinHost¥tools¥vhdtools
  - » Mount the vhd image
    - "Attach VHD" in Disk Management
  - » Check VSCs and export files
    - » ShadowKit
      - » C:¥IIJ Hands-on¥WinHost¥tools¥ShadowKit Portable v1.5
- SANS SIFT Workstation's Approach
  - » Calculate the disk offset to mount
    - » fdisk -lu <filename>
  - » Extract VSCs
    - » vshadowmount -o <disk offset value>
  - » Check VSCs and export files
    - » log2timeline-sift and TSK
  - » The generated VSC timeline is located in "C:¥IIJ\_Handson¥WinHost¥timeline¥win7usp1-vss3¥20120901-vss3bodyfile.zip"

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#### Timeline of the Incident

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### Wrap-up

- Forensic investigation and malware analysis combination can clear
  - root cause of malware infection
  - malware type/functions
  - post-infection activities
- Practical disk image is more chaotic
  - high-capacity disk, many unknown binaries
  - data loss over long term
  - evidence contamination by first responders
- Free tools have reasonable functions, but commercial tools often work effectively
  - IDA Pro
  - EnCase/X-Ways Forensics
  - etc...
- IMPORTANT: delete the disk image after hands-on

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