

## Windows Memory Acquisition (winpmem)

CREATING AN AFF4 (Open cmd.exe as Administrator)  
C:\> winpmem\_<version>.exe -o output.aff4  
\*INCLUDE PAGE FILE  
C:\> winpmem\_<version>.exe -p c:\pagefile.sys -o output.aff4

EXTRACTING TO RAW MEMORY IMAGE FROM AFF4  
C:\> winpmem<version>.exe output.aff4 --export  
PhysicalMemory -o memory.img

EXTRACTING TO RAW USING REKALL  
\$ rekall -f win7.aff4 imagecopy --output-image=  
"/cases/win7.img

## Live Windows Memory Analysis

(Open cmd.exe as Administrator)  
CREATING LIVE REKALL SESSION VIA MEMORY  
C:\Program Files\Rekall> Rekall --live

CREATING LIVE REKALL SESSION VIA API ANALYSIS  
C:\Program Files\Rekall> Rekall --live API  
\*\*LIVE WMI COMMANDS  
[1] Live (API) 16:52:10> wmi "select SID,Disabled from  
Win32\_UserAccount"  
\*\*LIVE GLOB SEARCH  
[1] Live (API) 16:52:10> select \* from glob("c:\windows\\*.exe")

## MacOS Memory Live Analysis & Acquisition

MAC OSXPMM (Run commands with Root privileges)  
Extract osxpmem.zip and ensure file/dir permissions are  
root:wheel

CREATING AN AFF4  
\$ sudo kextload MacPmem.kext  
\$ sudo ./osxpmem --output test.aff4  
\$ sudo kextunload MacPmem.kext/  
<clean up by removing driver>

LIVE OSX MEMORY ANALYSIS  
\$ sudo kextload MacPmem.kext/  
\$ rekall -f /dev/pmem  
<begin interactive session>  
\$ sudo kextunload MacPmem.kext/  
<clean up by removing driver>

## Registry Analysis Plugins

ENUMERATE AND EXTRACT REGISTRY HIVES  
HIVES- Find and list available registry hives  
\$ rekall -f be.aff4 hives

REGDUMP- Extracts target hive  
--hive\_regex Regex Pattern Matching  
- D "<dir>" Dump directory  
\$ rekall -f be.aff4 regdump --hive\_regex="SAM" -D "/cases "

PRINTKEY- Output a registry key, subkeys, and values  
-K "Registry key path"  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> printkey -K  
"Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run"

USERASSIST- Find and parse userassist key values

## Additional Functionality

ANALYZE\_STRUCT Interprets and identifies windows memory  
structures when given a virtual offset  
[1] be.aff4 11:15:35> analyze\_struct 0x8180e6f0

DT Displays Specific Kernel Data Structures  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> dt("\_EPROCESS")

PTOV Determine owning process with physical to virtual address  
translation (decimal offset shown below)  
\$ rekall -f test.img ptov 21732272

VMSCAN Allows for the identification of virtual machines  
CERTSCAN Dumps RSA private and public keys  
dump\_dir= Dumps output to a specified directory  
MIMIKATZ Extracts and decrypts credentials from lsass

## Linux Memory Acquisition

LINUX PMEM (TO CREATE PROFILE)  
# tar vxzf linux\_pmem\_1.0RC1.tgz  
# cd linux  
# make

LINPMEM (TO CREATE IMAGE VIA /proc/kcore)  
# gzip -d linpmem\_2.0.1.gz  
# chmod 755 linpmem\_2.0.1  
# ./linpmem\_2.0.1 -o linux.aff4  
# cd linux  
# rekall convert\_profile 3.11.0-26-generic.zip Ubuntu.zip  
# rekall --profile=Ubuntu.zip -f ../linux.aff4



## DIGITAL FORENSICS & INCIDENT RESPONSE Rekall Memory Forensic Framework Cheat Sheet v3.0

POCKET REFERENCE GUIDE

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## Purpose

The Rekall Memory Forensic Framework is a collection of  
memory acquisition and analysis tools implemented in Python  
under the GNU General Public License. This cheatsheet provides  
a quick reference for memory analysis operations in Rekall,  
covering acquisition, live memory analysis and parsing plugins  
used in the 6-Step Investigative Process. For more information  
on this tool, visit **rekall-forensic.com**.

## Rekall Memory Forensic Framework

Memory analysis is one of the most powerful investigation  
techniques available to forensic examiners. Rekall auto-detects  
the target system's profile, using a repository of more than 100  
kernel versions available either online or stored locally.

When launching Rekall, you can run single commands or drop  
into an interactive session to take advantage of caching,  
preventing the need to obtain the same data with subsequent  
plugin runs. This cheatsheet shows command line examples  
using both techniques for Rekall version 1.5.3+

## Getting Started with Rekall

### Single Command Example

\$ rekall -f be.aff4 pslist

### Starting an Interactive Session

\$ rekall -f be.aff4

### Starting an Interactive Session (sends output to specified tool)

\$ rekall -f be.aff4 --pager=gedit

[1] be.aff4 11:14:35>

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session #              current image              local system time

Memory Analysis Basics

GETTING HELP  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> plugins.<tab>  
(lists plugins applicable for use for this image)  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> ps list?  
(lists options available for specific plugin)

COMMON OPTIONS IN INTERACTIVE SESSION  
describe(<plugin>) Print the output fields of a plugin  
verbosity=# Specify amount of output (1-10, default=1)  
**proc\_regex="process name"** Regex to select process by name  
<pid> Positional Argument: Filter by process PID  
**dump\_dir="path to directory"** Path to output directory  
**output="path to output dir/file"** Required if outputting to file  
quit Exit interactive session

IMAGE DETAILS (list OS version, physical layout, uptime)  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> image info

ARTIFACT COLLECTOR (Carving for defined artifacts)  
[] Live (API) 16:52:10> artifact\_list  
[] Live (API) 16:52:10> artifact\_collector  
**["WMIProcessList","WMILoggedonUsers","WMIDrivers"],output\_path="c:\\cases\\exercises"**

Step 1. Enumerating Processes

PSLIST Enumerate Processes  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> ps list  
Customize pslist output with efilters  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> describe(ps list)  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> select  
EPROCESS,ppid,process\_create\_time from ps list() order by  
process\_create\_time

PSTREE (WITH VERBOSITY) – List Processes with path and  
command line  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> describe(pstree)  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> select \_EPROCESS,ppid,cmd,path from  
pstree()

PEINFO Display detailed process & PE info  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> procinfo <PID>

DESKTOPS Enumerate desktops and desktop threads  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> desktops verbosity=<#>

SESSIONS Enumerate sessions and associated processes  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> sessions

Step 2. Analyze Process DLLs and Handles

DLLLIST List of loaded dlls by process.  
Filter on specific process(es) by including the process identifier <PID>  
as a positional argument  
[1] image.img 11:14:35> dlllist [1580,204]

THREADS Enumerates process threads  
**[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> threads proc\_regex= "chrome"**

HANDLES List of open handles for each process Include pid or array  
of pids separated by commas  
object\_types="TYPE" – Limit to handles of a certain type {Process,  
Thread, Key, Event, File, Mutant, Token, Port}  
**[1] image.img 11:14:35> handles 868, object\_types="Key"**

FILESCAN Scan memory for \_FILE\_OBJECT handles  
[1] image.img 11:15:35> filescan **output="filescan.txt"**

Step 3. Review Network Artifacts

NETSCAN -Scan for connections and sockets in Vista-Win7  
[1] memory.aff4 11:14:35> netscan

NETSTAT -ID active TCP connections in Vista-Win7  
[1] memory.aff4 11:14:35> netstat

DNS\_CACHE- Dumps dns resolver cache  
[1] memory.aff4 11:14:35> dns\_cache

Step 4. Look for Evidence of Code Injection

MALFIND Find injected code and dump sections by VAD analysis  
<pid> Positional Argument: Show information only for specific PIDs  
phys\_eprocess= Provide physical offset of process to scan  
eprocess= Provide virtual offset for process to scan  
dump\_dir= Directory to save memory sections  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> malfind eprocess=0x853cf460,  
**dump\_dir="/cases"**

LDRMODULES Detect unlinked DLLs  
verbosity= Verbose: show full paths from three DLL lists  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> ldrmodules 1936

Step 5. Check for Signs of a Rootkit

PSXVIEW Find hidden processes using cross-view  
MODSCAN Scan memory for loaded, unloaded, and  
unlinked drivers

SERVICES Enumerates services from in-memory registry  
hive

SVCSCAN Scans for \_SERVICE\_RECORD objects

HOOKS\_INLINE Detects API hooks  
eprocess= Filters by virtual address EProcess  
phys\_eprocess= Filters by physical address of EProcess

HOOKS\_EAT Detects Export Address Table hooks  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> hooks\_eat 6764

HOOKS\_IAT Detects Import Address Table hooks  
SSDT Hooks in System Service Descriptor Table  
DRIVERIRP Identify I/O Request Packet (IRP) hooks  
**regex="drivername"**- Filter on REGEX name pattern  
OBJECT\_TREE Tracks named objects  
[1] be.aff4 11:15:35> **object\_tree type\_regex="Driver"**  
CALLBACKS Enumerates registered system event callbacks

Step 6. Dump Suspicious Processes and Drivers

DUMP Hexdump data starting a specified offset  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> dump <virtual offset>

COMMON OPTIONS FOR EXTRACTION  
<pid> Positional Argument: Filter by process PID  
**proc\_regex="process name"** Regex to select process by  
name  
offset= Specify process by physical memory offset  
dump\_dir= Directory to save extracted files

DLLDUMP Extract DLLs from specific processes  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> dlldump 1004,dump\_dir="."

MODDUMP Extract kernel drivers  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> **moddump regex="tcipip",  
dump\_dir="/tmp"**

PROCDUMP Dump process to executable sample  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> procdump **proc\_regex="csrss",  
dump\_dir="/tmp"**

MEMDUMP Dump every memory section into a single file  
[1] be.aff4 11:15:35> memdump **1004,dump\_dir="/output"**