

## 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> Rekal --live

CREATING LIVE REKALL SESSION VIA API ANALYSIS
C:\Program Files\Rekall> Rekal --live API
**LIVE WMI COMMANDS
[ ] Live (API) 16:52:10> wmi "select SID,Disabled from
Win32_UserAccount"
**LIVE GLOB SEARCH
[ ] Live (API) 16:52:10> select * from glob("c:\windows\*.exe")
```

## MacOS Memory Live Analysis & Acquisition

MAC OS XPMEM (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 OS X 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",offset=<virtual offset>

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 v3.1 POCKET REFERENCE GUIDE

### 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](http://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>
```

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> pslist?  
(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> imageinfo

### 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> pslist  
Customize pslist output with efilters  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> describe(pslist)  
[1] be.aff4 11:14:35> select  
EPROCESS,ppid,process\_create\_time from pslist() 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 11:14:35> filescan output="filescan.txt"

### DUMPFILES Extract memory mapped files

[1] image.img 11:14:35> dumpfiles 1484,dump\_dir="."

## 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

### MESSAGEHOOKS Enumerates desktop and thread windows message hooks to aid in spotting SetWindowsHookEx code injection

## Step 5. Check for Signs of a Rootkit

### PSXVIEW MODSCAN

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

### SERVICES

Enumerates services from in-memory registry hive

### SVCSKAN

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="tcpip",

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"