



Quick Reference Step-by-Step Lab 1 Instructions: Spyware/Adware Process

Step-by-Step Instructions: evilprogram.pdf
Trace File: evilprogram.dmp
“Watch the Lab” File: evilprogram.avi (XviD codec) or evilprogram.wmv

- Step 1:** Create an *Ethereal Labs* directory on your hard drive and **copy the trace files** from the LLK6 over to that directory.
- Step 2:** Launch *Ethereal*.
- Step 3:** Select **File > Open** on the *Ethereal* menu bar. **Select your local drive** off the drive list and **double-click** on the *Ethereal Labs* directory you created in Step 1. **Double-click on the evilprogram.dmp** trace file.
- Step 4:** Scroll through the trace until you reach **packet 68**. Check out all those connection attempts!
- Step 5:** Look at **packets 68 and 69**—this makes us feel a bit better—she performs a DNS query to obtain the IP address of McAfee’s VirusScan update server. Scroll through to **packet 93** which appears to be the end of this little dance.
- Step 6:** Look at **packets 94 and 95**. She is now ready to get the updated virus definitions.
- Step 7:** We are going to build and apply a filter to remove all traffic to and from the McAfee update server at 216.49.88.118. Click in the **filter window** above the trace file headings. **Enter ip.addr==216.49.88.118**. Click **Apply**.
- Step 8:** Look inside **packets 147 and 148** - we’ve got someone trying to send Linda a message using Microsoft’s Messenger Service.
- Step 9:** Scroll through from **packet 208 to 349**. Ugly, ugly, ugly.
- Step 10:** Click on **Statistics > Conversations**. Click on **TCP tab** in the Conversations window. Click on the **Packets column** heading to sort it in ascending order. **Right mouse click on a conversation** to quickly build and apply a display filter based on the source and destination IP addresses and port numbers.
- Step 11:** Now let’s go back to **packet 350**. Uh oh... we have someone making a connection to our client on port 1025. Look closely at **packets 357-359**. We wonder what this process is telling the client to do. We don’t have to wait long to find out.
- Step 12:** Look at the client DNS query for updates.virtumonde.com. Do a **Google search on virtumonde**.
- Step 13:** Let’s filter out traffic to and from this server to see what our client does. In the filter window, type in **ip.addr==208.48.15.13** and click **Apply**. Yipes! Look at **packet 386!**
- Step 14:** Click **Clear** to remove our filter so we can see what is happening next in the trace. Our client sends something up to a server using an HTTP POST command in **packet 405**. In response, the Virtumonde server sends our clients some new configuration information in packet 412.
- Step 15:** Scroll through the rest of the trace to look for other suspect communications.

If you’d like to be walked through this process, check out the *BYOL* section of LLKv6. See the *Laura Chappell Master Library (LCML)* at www.packet-level.com for additional self-paced labs.