

# PART 1: WEB BROWSER ARTIFACTS

Web browser stores valuable forensics information on the user machine. This information is very useful when presented at court. The three important information that can be collected are

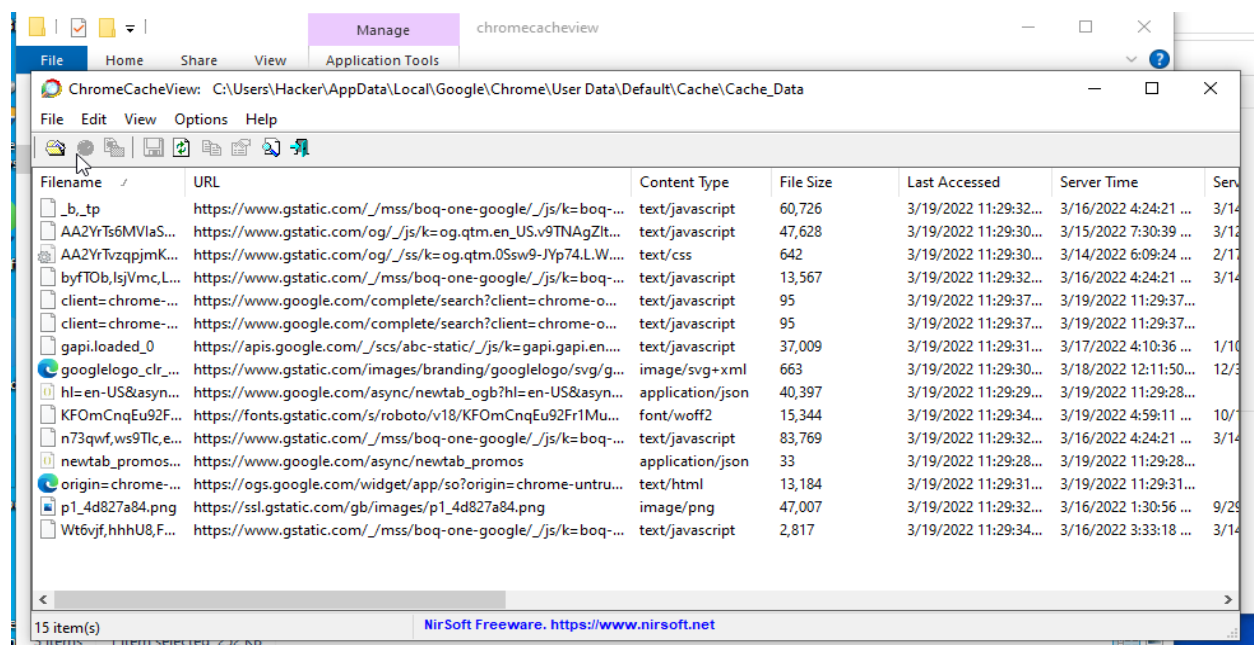
**Browsing History:** History of webpages that user views

**Caches:** Information like webpages that are stored so that if webpage is loaded again, it does not take as much time as it took at the first place

**Cookies:** Information like tokens and sessions of user that are stored for login purposes

## GOOGLE CHROME

Here we are using tool called **cacheview** from nirsoft that is used to fetch all the details related to caches that has been stored in the chrome



ChromeCacheView: C:\Users\Hacker\AppData\Local\Google\Chrome\User Data\Default\Cache\Cache\_Data

Server	Last Modified	Expire Time	Server Name	Server Response	Web Site	Frame	Content En...	Cache Name
	3/14/2022 11:48:06...	3/16/2023 4:24:21 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	https://google.com	gzip	f_000004
	3/12/2022 6:31:24 ...	3/15/2023 7:30:39 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	chrome-untrusted://ne...	gzip	f_000002
	2/17/2022 6:35:47 ...	3/14/2023 6:09:24 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	chrome-untrusted://ne...	gzip	data_1 [122]
	3/14/2022 11:48:06...	3/16/2023 4:24:21 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	https://google.com	gzip	data_3 [122]
			gws	HTTP/1.1 200	https://google.com	https://google.com	br	data_1 [130]
			gws	HTTP/1.1 200	https://google.com	https://google.com	br	data_1 [998]
	1/10/2022 7:12:54 ...	3/17/2023 4:10:36 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	chrome-untrusted://ne...	gzip	f_000003
	12/30/2021 4:48:00...	3/18/2023 12:11:50...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	chrome-untrusted://ne...	br	data_1 [133]
			gws	HTTP/1.1 200	https://google.com	https://google.com	br	f_000001
	10/16/2017 10:32:5...	3/19/2023 4:59:11 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	https://google.com	br	data_3 [172]
	3/14/2022 11:48:06...	3/16/2023 4:24:21 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	https://google.com	gzip	f_000006
			gws	HTTP/1.1 200	https://google.com	https://google.com	br	data_1 [947]
		3/19/2022 11:29:31...	ESF	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	https://google.com	gzip	data_3 [901]
	9/29/2021 11:18:00...	3/16/2023 1:30:56 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	https://google.com	br	f_000005
	3/14/2022 11:48:06...	3/16/2023 3:33:18 ...	sffe	HTTP/1.1 200	chrome://new-tab-page	https://google.com	gzip	data_2 [122]

Here we are using tool called **historyview** from nirsoft that is used to fetch all the details related to the websites visited by the user in the chrome

ChromeHistoryView

URL	Title	Visited On	Visit Count	Typed Count	Ref
https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find/university...	Find a university   British Council	3/19/2022 11:32:48...	1	0	
https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find/university...	Find a university   British Council	3/19/2022 11:32:48...	1	0	http
https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find/university...	Find a university   British Council	3/19/2022 11:32:52...	1	0	http
https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/scholarships	Scholarships and funding   British ...	3/19/2022 11:36:07...	1	0	http
https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study	Why study in the UK?   British Cou...	3/19/2022 11:36:05...	1	0	http
https://www.eccouncil.org/	Certified Ethical Hacker   InfoSec ...	3/19/2022 11:32:27...	1	0	http
https://www.google.com/search?q=ec+concik&o...	ec concik - Google Search	3/19/2022 11:32:25...	2	0	
https://www.google.com/search?q=ec+concik&o...	ec concik - Google Search	3/19/2022 11:32:27...	2	0	http
https://www.google.com/search?q=oxford+unive...	oxford university - Google Search	3/19/2022 11:32:42...	2	0	
https://www.google.com/search?q=oxford+unive...	oxford university - Google Search	3/19/2022 11:32:44...	2	0	http
https://www.google.com/search?q=tesla&oq=tesl...	tesla - Google Search	3/19/2022 11:32:53...	2	0	
https://www.google.com/search?q=tesla&oq=tesl...	tesla - Google Search	3/19/2022 11:32:54...	2	0	http
https://www.googleadservices.com/pagead/acik?...	Find a university   British Council	3/19/2022 11:32:48...	1	0	http
https://www.tesla.com/	Electric Cars, Solar & Clean Energ...	3/19/2022 11:32:55...	2	0	http
https://www.tesla.com/	Electric Cars, Solar & Clean Energ...	3/19/2022 11:34:00...	2	0	http
https://www.tesla.com/inventory/new/m3	New & Used Electric Cars   Tesla	3/19/2022 11:33:42...	1	0	http
https://www.tesla.com/inventory/new/m3?arrang...	New & Used Electric Cars   Tesla	3/19/2022 11:33:53...	1	0	http

Here we are using tool called **cookieview** from nirsoft that is used to fetch all the details related to cookies and sessions that has been stored in the chrome

ChromeCookiesView: C:\Users\Hacker\AppData\Local\Google\Chrome\User Data\Default\Network\Cookies

Host Name	Path	Name	Value	Secure	HTTP Only	Last Accessed	Created On	Expires
britishcouncil.org	/	bm_sz	AFFC7CA01DB88A57CE...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:35:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/20/2022 3:32:4...
britishcouncil.org	/	_abck	5D58AA2D129B77E1AC0...	Yes	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2023 11:32:...
britishcouncil.org	/	ak_bmsc	9133D93319E2D7EAF2E7...	No	Yes	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/20/2022 1:32:4...
britishcouncil.org	/	bm_mi	B73EEF72E0875C2D20A9...	No	Yes	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/20/2022 1:32:4...
britishcouncil.org	/	OptanonConsent	isGpcEnabled=0&datest...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2023 11:36:...
britishcouncil.org	/	_ga	GA1.2.1375484064.16477...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/18/2024 11:36:...
britishcouncil.org	/	_ga_2MCNFVKR80	GS1.1.1647757970.1.1.16...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/18/2024 11:36:...
britishcouncil.org	/	_gac_UA-50262102-9	1.1647757972.CjwKCAjw...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	6/17/2022 11:32:...
britishcouncil.org	/	_gac_UA-51653360-3	1.1647757983.CjwKCAjw...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:33:...	6/17/2022 11:33:...
britishcouncil.org	/	_gac_UA-85734551-1	1.1647757983.CjwKCAjw...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:33:...	6/17/2022 11:33:...
britishcouncil.org	/	_gat_UA-50262102-9	1	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:37:...
britishcouncil.org	/	_gid	GA1.2.1841705357.16477...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/20/2022 11:36:...
britishcouncil.org	/	bm_sv	479EE34167BA6DF87C60...	No	Yes	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/19/2022 11:36:...	3/20/2022 1:32:4...
doubleclick.net	/	IDE	AHWq7UmE-z_g8qzguf...	Yes	Yes	3/19/2022 11:35:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/18/2024 11:32:...
eccouncil.org	/	_zclmid	195kmy9md63Qysj	No	No	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2023 11:32:...
eccouncil.org	/	_fbp	fb.1.16477579547252069...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...
eccouncil.org	/	_ga	GA1.2.53147687.1647757...	No	No	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/18/2024 11:32:...
eccouncil.org	/	_gat_UA-12287287-1	1	No	No	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2022 11:32:...	3/19/2022 11:33:...

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## MOZILLA FIREFOX

Here we are using tool called **historyview** from nirsoft that is used to fetch all the details related to the websites visited by the user in the Mozilla Firefox

MZHistoryView - C:\Users\Hacker\AppData\Roaming\Mozilla\Firefox\Profiles\z59oh0pu.default-release\places.sqlite

URL	First Visit Date	Last Visit Date	Visit Count	Referrer	Host Name	Title
https://akgalleria.com/forest-green-plain-classic-f...	N / A	3/19/2022 11:55:25...	1	https://akgalleria.com/...	Forest Green I	
https://akgalleria.com/men.html?gclid=EA1alQob...	N / A	3/19/2022 11:55:10...	1	https://www.googleleads...	Men	
https://thecambridgeshop.com/collections/tees	N / A	3/19/2022 11:55:20...	1	https://thecambridgesh...	TEES - POLOS	
https://thecambridgeshop.com/pages/cambridge	N / A	3/19/2022 11:54:46...	1	https://www.google.co...	cambridge - C	
https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-...	N / A	3/19/2022 11:54:43...	1		cambridge - C	
https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-...	N / A	3/19/2022 11:55:03...	1		levis - Google	
https://www.googleadservices.com/pagead/aclk?...	N / A	3/19/2022 11:55:08...	1	https://www.google.co...		
https://www.mozilla.org/en-GB/privacy/firefox/	N / A	3/19/2022 11:20:18...	1	https://www.mozilla.org...		
https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/privacy/firefox/	N / A	3/19/2022 11:20:19...	1	https://www.mozilla.org...	Firefox Privac	
https://www.mozilla.org/privacy/firefox/	N / A	3/19/2022 11:20:17...	1			

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Here we are using tool called **cookieview** from nirsoft that is used to fetch all the details related to cookies and sessions that has been stored in the Mozilla Firefox

MZCookiesView: C:\Users\Hacker\AppData\Roaming\Mozilla\Firefox\Profiles\z59oh0pu.default-release\cookies.sqlite

Domain/Host	Path	Name	Value	Expiration Date	Secure	Domain Ac...	Line/ID	Last Accessed	Crea
akgalleria.com	/	_fbp	fb.1.1647759332945.1508...	6/17/2022 11:55:33...	No		111	3/19/2022 11:55:33...	3/19/...
google.com	/	AEC	AVQQ_LCUDY4dXk3Vwi...	9/15/2022 11:54:43...	Yes		2	3/19/2022 11:54:43...	3/19/...
google.com	/	TP_JAR	2022-03-20-06	4/18/2022 11:55:10...	No		40	3/19/2022 11:55:11...	3/19/...
google.com	/	NID	511=jq0xbMDCCQv2OG...	9/18/2022 11:55:10...	Yes		41	3/19/2022 11:55:11...	3/19/...
myfonts.net	/	_cf_bm	T1_OPjivUqn9BjzYnN9F3...	3/20/2022 12:25:26...	Yes		102	3/19/2022 11:55:26...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_orig_referrer	https://www.google.co...	4/2/2022 11:54:46 ...	Yes		6	3/19/2022 11:54:46...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_landing_page	/pages/cambridge	4/2/2022 11:54:46 ...	Yes		7	3/19/2022 11:54:46...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_gcl_au	1.1.1866033821.16477592...	6/17/2022 11:54:49...	No		14	3/19/2022 11:54:49...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_gat	1	3/19/2022 11:55:50...	No		19	3/19/2022 11:54:50...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_ga	GA1.2.1771200355.16477...	3/18/2024 11:55:21...	No		79	3/19/2022 11:55:21...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_gid	GA1.2.36954841.1647759...	3/20/2022 11:55:21...	No		80	3/19/2022 11:55:21...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_y	c58824fd-0775-494b-bdf...	3/19/2023 11:55:24...	No		92	3/19/2022 11:55:24...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_s	3cf75157-16c3-48cf-913...	3/20/2022 12:25:24...	No		93	3/19/2022 11:55:24...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_shopify_y	c58824fd-0775-494b-bdf...	3/19/2023 11:55:24...	No		94	3/19/2022 11:55:24...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_shopify_s	3cf75157-16c3-48cf-913...	3/20/2022 12:25:24...	No		95	3/19/2022 11:55:24...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_shopify_sa_t	2022-03-20T06:55:26.567Z	3/20/2022 12:25:26...	No		103	3/19/2022 11:55:26...	3/19/...
thecambridgesho...	/	_shopify_sa_p		3/20/2022 12:25:26...	No		104	3/19/2022 11:55:26...	3/19/...

MZCacheView: C:\Users\Hacker\AppData\Local\Mozilla\Firefox\Profiles\z59h0pu.default-release\cache2

File Edit View Options Help

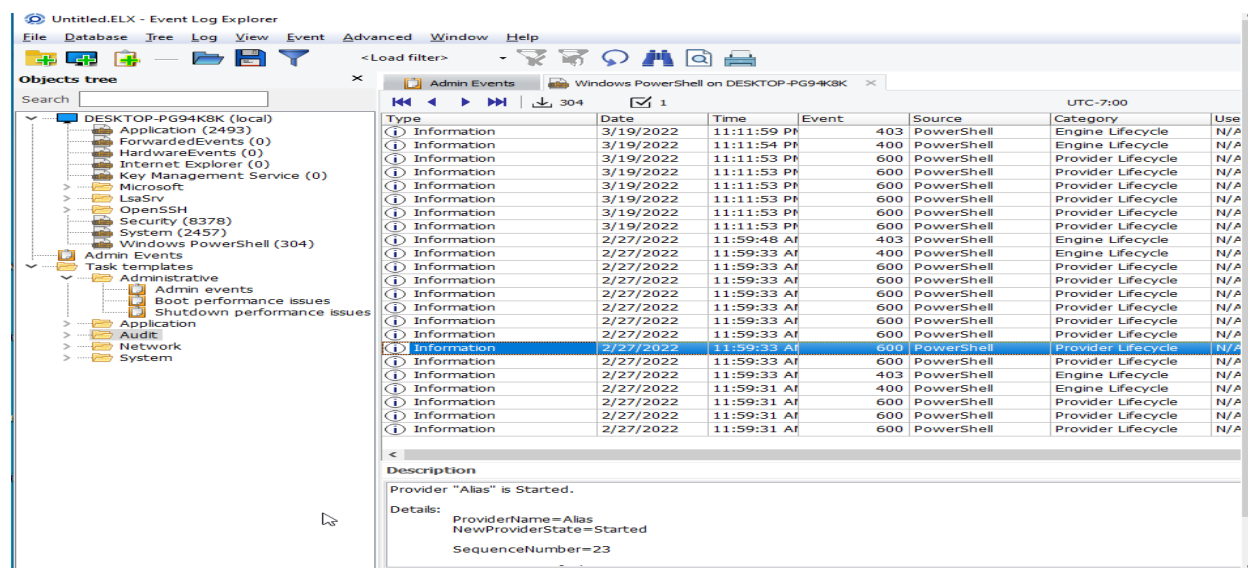
Filename	Content Type	URL	File Size	Fetch Count	Last Modified	Last Fetched
loader-1.gif	image/gif	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	8,497	1	3/19/2022 11:55:13...	3/19/2022 11:55:13...
loader.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	947	2	3/19/2022 11:55:30...	3/19/2022 11:55:30...
loader.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	509	2	3/19/2022 11:55:29...	3/19/2022 11:55:29...
local.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	455	2	3/19/2022 11:55:27...	3/19/2022 11:55:27...
logger-utils.m...	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	298	2	3/19/2022 11:55:30...	3/19/2022 11:55:30...
logger.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	612	2	3/19/2022 11:55:29...	3/19/2022 11:55:29...
login.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	395	2	3/19/2022 11:55:31...	3/19/2022 11:55:31...
loginCaptcha...	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	308	2	3/19/2022 11:55:31...	3/19/2022 11:55:31...
logo-word-ho...	image/svg+xml	https://www.mozilla.org/media/protocol/i...	911	1	3/19/2022 11:20:22...	3/19/2022 11:20:22...
logo-word-ho...	image/svg+xml	https://www.mozilla.org/media/protocol/i...	898	1	3/19/2022 11:20:21...	3/19/2022 11:20:21...
logo-eb1324e...	image/svg+xml	https://www.mozilla.org/media/protocol/i...	2,527	1	3/19/2022 11:20:21...	3/19/2022 11:20:21...
logo_smallico	image/x-icon	https://d2z0lqci37nukm.cloudfront.net/me...	1,150	2	3/19/2022 11:55:27...	3/19/2022 11:55:27...
mage-init.min...	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	156	2	3/19/2022 11:55:29...	3/19/2022 11:55:29...
mage-translati...	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	76	2	3/19/2022 11:55:27...	3/19/2022 11:55:27...
mage.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	339	2	3/19/2022 11:55:27...	3/19/2022 11:55:27...
main.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	114	2	3/19/2022 11:55:27...	3/19/2022 11:55:27...
main.min.js	application/javascript	https://akgalleria.com/static/version164726...	555	2	3/19/2022 11:55:27...	3/19/2022 11:55:27...

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In this part, investigators analyze all the security logs, system logs and application logs to get the accurate information about the events leading to cybercrime.

We are using a tool called **EventLogXP** that is used to examine all of the logs on our host. We see our Desktop here and on clicking it we further see Application, which contains logs related to the Software that are installed on the machine. We are able to see other modules too such as ForwardEvents, WindowsPowershell, etc.



Untitled.ELX - Event Log Explorer

File Database Tree Log View Event Advanced Window Help

<Load filter>

Objects tree

Search

DESKTOP-PG94K8K (local)

- Application (2493)
- ForwardedEvents (0)
- HardwareEvents (0)
- Internet Explorer (0)
- Key Management Service (0)
- Microsoft
- LsaSrv
- OpenSSH
- Security (8378)
- System (2457)
- Windows PowerShell (304)
- Admin Events
- Task templates
  - Administrative
    - Admin events
    - Boot performance issues
    - Shutdown performance issues
  - Application
  - Audit
  - Network
  - System

Admin Events Windows PowerShell on DESKTOP-PG94K8K

XML UTC-7:00

Type	Date	Time	Event	Source	Category	User
Warning	3/20/2022	12:11:59 AM	642	ESENT	General	N/A
Error	3/20/2022	12:00:58 AM	8198	Microsoft-Windows	None	N/A
Error	3/20/2022	12:00:58 AM	8198	Microsoft-Windows	None	N/A
Error	3/20/2022	12:00:56 AM	8198	Microsoft-Windows	None	N/A
Warning	3/20/2022	12:00:26 AM	642	ESENT	General	N/A
Warning	3/20/2022	12:00:26 AM	642	ESENT	General	N/A
Warning	3/20/2022	12:00:26 AM	642	ESENT	General	N/A
Warning	3/20/2022	12:00:25 AM	642	ESENT	General	N/A
Warning	3/20/2022	12:00:19 AM	642	ESENT	General	N/A
Warning	3/20/2022	12:00:19 AM	642	ESENT	General	N/A
Error	3/19/2022	11:59:48 PM	6008	EventLog	None	N/A
Critical	3/19/2022	11:59:17 PM	41	Microsoft-Windows	(63)	\SYSTEM
Warning	3/19/2022	11:16:05 PM	10016	Microsoft-Windows	None	DESKT
Warning	3/19/2022	11:07:50 PM	10016	Microsoft-Windows	None	DESKT

# PART 4: HANDLING WINDOWS REGISTRY PYTHON

Here we will be using python and its library **winreg** to access windows registry files. We can access the keys and its values can be created, read and updated. The content that we can access are HKEY\_USERS, HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER, HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE, HKEY\_CURRENT\_CONFIG, etc.

## Access the registry HKEY\_USERS hives.

Here we have written a simple python script that access the registry and gets HKEY\_USERS contents out of it.

```
C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools>python registry_hives.py
0: .DEFAULT
1:S-1-5-19
2:S-1-5-20
3:S-1-5-21-2843756275-1552048814-2127499628-1002
4:S-1-5-21-2843756275-1552048814-2127499628-1002_Classes
5:S-1-5-18
```

## Access the registry HKEY\_USERS keys and its values

Here we have written another simple python script that access the registry and in the HKEY\_USERS content it goes to the SOFTWARE and get the values of WinRAR.

```

C:\Windows\System32\cmd.exe

C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools>python registry_hives_and_values.py
0: .DEFAULT
1:S-1-5-19
2:S-1-5-20
3:S-1-5-21-2843756275-1552048814-2127499628-1002
4:S-1-5-21-2843756275-1552048814-2127499628-1002_Classes
5:S-1-5-18

<--Displaying Values of registry WinRAR-->

ArchHistory : 2022-03-19 23:40:44.947890-07:00
DialogEditHistory : 2021-09-18 12:25:58.024593-07:00
FileList : 2021-09-19 02:47:58.063204-07:00
General : 2022-02-27 08:08:33.200357-08:00
Interface : 2021-09-19 02:47:58.010354-07:00
Profiles : 2021-09-18 12:19:04.095070-07:00
Setup : 2021-09-18 12:18:47.376019-07:00
```



# PART 5: HANDLING WINDOWS RECYCLE PYTHON

In this part we are using **winshell** library that is used to give us Windows shell functions. One of the function that we are going to using is of recycle bin as we are going to access recycle bin and delete and recover file from it.

Here we have written a script that access the recycle bin , shows us what is inside it . Then it creates a file named "Mytest.txt" and write content in it. Then it deletes the file and then recover it from the recycle bin.

```
recycle_bin.py - C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\recycle_bin.py (3.10.3)
File Edit Format Run Options Window Help
1 import winshell
2 import win32
3 import re
4
5 r = list(winshell.recycle_bin())
6
7 for x in r:
8     print(x.original_filename(), x.recycle_date(), sep='\t')
9     fl = r[0].filename()
10    y = re.search(r"S.*\d{4}", fl)
11    print(y.group(0))
12
13    path = r'C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\Mytest.txt'
14    with open(path, 'w') as file:
15        file.write("This is MY TESTING FILE")
16    winshell.delete_file(path)
17
18    winshell.undelete(path)
19
```

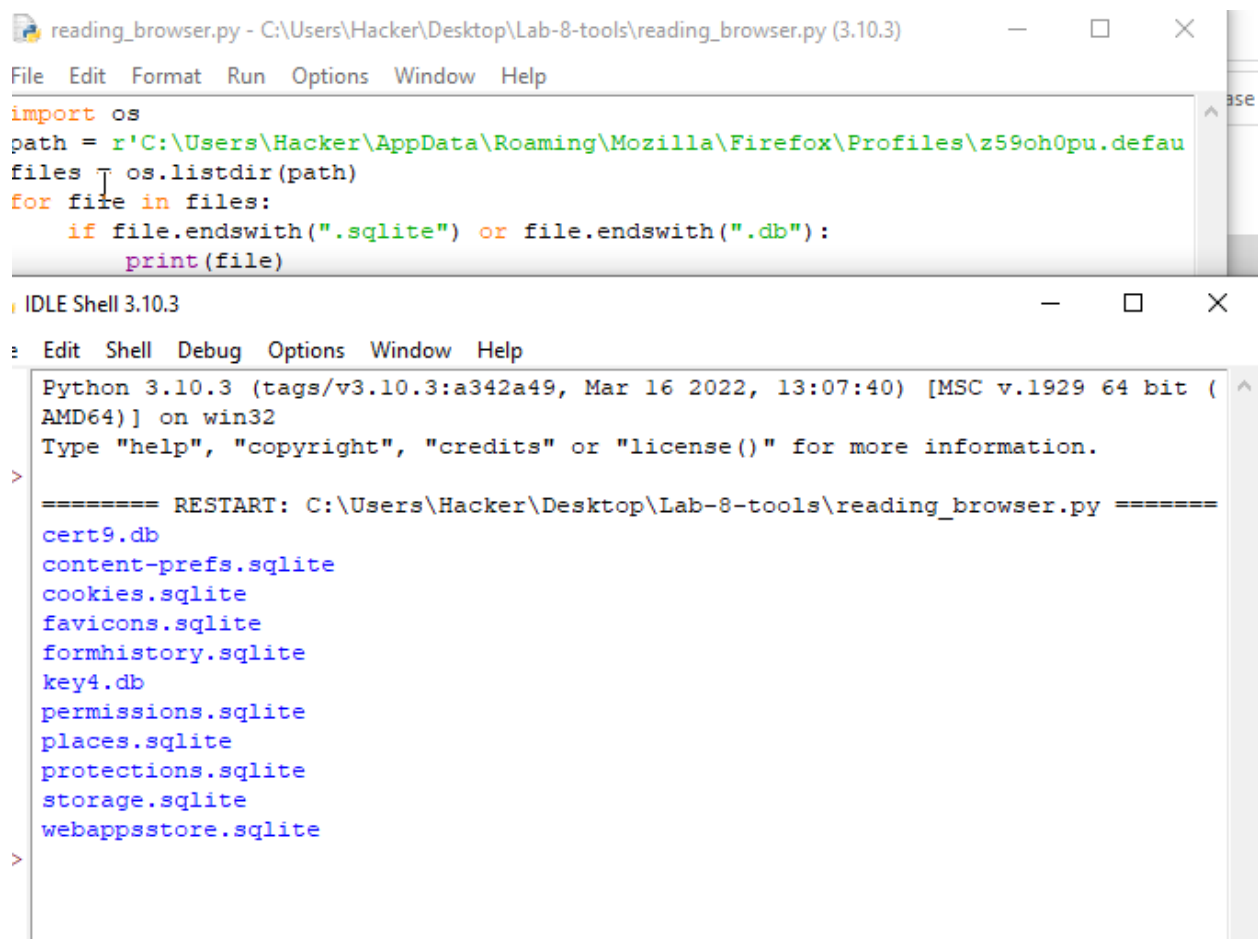
```
IDLE Shell 3.10.3
File Edit Shell Debug Options Window Help
Python 3.10.3 (tags/v3.10.3:a342a49, Mar 16 2022, 13:07:40) [MSC v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>>
===== RESTART: C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\recycle_bin.py =====
C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\Mytest.txt 2022-03-20 10:34:55+00:00
S-1-5-21-2843756275-1552048814-2127499628-1002
C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\Mytest.txt - Shortcut 2022-03-20 10:33:11+00:00
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C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\abc.pdf 2022-03-20 10:32:06+00:00
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S-1-5-21-2843756275-1552048814-2127499628-1002
>>>
```

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Mytest.txt - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
This is MY TESTING FILE
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# PART 6: READING BROWSER HISTORY, COOKIES AND CACHE USING PYTHON

Here we are going to use python to read browsers history

In this script we just gave a path to which our Mozilla Firefox is located and then read the files that have the extension of .sqlite and .db.



The image shows a screenshot of a Python script named `reading_browser.py` and its execution output in the IDLE Shell.

The script `reading_browser.py` is located at `C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\reading_browser.py` and contains the following code:

```
import os
path = r'C:\Users\Hacker\AppData\Roaming\Mozilla\Firefox\Profiles\z59oh0pu.default'
files = os.listdir(path)
for file in files:
    if file.endswith(".sqlite") or file.endswith(".db"):
        print(file)
```

The IDLE Shell output shows the execution of the script, displaying the following files:

```
Python 3.10.3 (tags/v3.10.3:a342a49, Mar 16 2022, 13:07:40) [MSC v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>
===== RESTART: C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\reading_browser.py =====
cert9.db
content-prefs.sqlite
cookies.sqlite
favicons.sqlite
formhistory.sqlite
key4.db
permissions.sqlite
places.sqlite
protections.sqlite
storage.sqlite
webappsstore.sqlite
>
```



Now this script accesses the database files of Mozilla Firefox and then reads the history after that history is shown.



The image shows two windows from the IDLE 3.10.3 environment. The top window displays a Python script named `reading_browser.py` located at `C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\reading_browser.py`. The script imports `os` and `sqlite3`, defines a path to the Firefox profile directory, lists files, and identifies SQLite databases. It specifically connects to `places.sqlite` and executes a SQL query to retrieve browsing history from the `moz_places` table. The bottom window shows the execution output, listing various SQLite files and displaying the retrieved browsing history as a list of tuples.

```
1 import os
2 import sqlite3
3 path = r'C:\Users\Hacker\AppData\Roaming\Mozilla\Firefox\Profiles\z59oh0pu.defau
4 files = os.listdir(path)
5 for file in files:
6     if file.endswith(".sqlite") or file.endswith(".db"):
7         print(file)
8
9 history = os.path.join(path, 'places.sqlite')
10 history_connect = sqlite3.connect(history)
11 history_cursor = history_connect.cursor()
12
13 history_cursor.execute("PRAGMA table_info(moz_places)")
14 results = history_cursor.fetchall()
15 statement = 'SELECT url, visit_count FROM moz_places;'
16 history_cursor.execute(statement)
17 results = history_cursor.fetchall()
18 print("\nSHOWING HISTORY\n")
19 print(results)
20
```

```
Python 3.10.3 (tags/v3.10.3:a342a49, Mar 16 2022, 13:07:40) [MSC v.1929 64 bit (
AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>>
===== RESTART: C:\Users\Hacker\Desktop\Lab-8-tools\reading_browser.py =====
cert9.db
content-prefs.sqlite
cookies.sqlite
favicons.sqlite
formhistory.sqlite
key4.db
permissions.sqlite
places.sqlite
protections.sqlite
storage.sqlite
webappsstore.sqlite

SHOWING HISTORY

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>>>
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## SUMMARY

This lab taught us a lot about windows forensics from getting manual information of web-browser history, cache and cookies to automate python scripts. In the first part we get to know about the util tools of **Nirsoft** that we used to see Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox history, cache and cookies. Then we used a tool called **EventLogXP** which gave us detailed information about the logs, for example when the system is log-in and which application started at specific time. Then we moved on to python script and learned how to deal with Windows Registry using script as we were able to list the contents of HKEY\_USERS registry. We also learned to delete and recover files from recycle bin using python and to create and write a file. At last, we make use of python script to access the browser and read its history, cache and cookies.