

Assignment 1

Task 1

Using a hex editor of your choice, view the headers of a variety of files and file types. Complete the table below to create your own list of “Magic Numbers”

A lot of file types are already given in the document, so i will include some of the lesser known/not included file types. Sources: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_file_signatures <https://file.org/extension/pgp>

File	Extension	Header HEX	Other Details
parquet	-	50 41 52 31	Starts with PAR1 ends with PAR1
ISO (CD/Disk Image)	.iso	43 44 30 30 31	
Script	-	23 21	File starting with #!
SQLite DB	.db, .sqlite .sqlitedb	53 51 4C 69 74 65 20 66 6F 72 6D 61 74 20 33 00	
OpenSSH private Key File	-	2D 2D 2D 2D 2D 42 45 47 49 4E 20 4F 50 45 4E 53 53 48 20 50 52 49 56 41 54 45 20 4B 45 59 2D 2D 2D 2D 2D	-----BEGIN OPENSSH PRIVATE KEY-----
OpenSSH public Key File	.pub	2D 2D 2D 2D 2D 42 45 47 49 4E 20 53 53 48 32 20 4B 45 59 2D 2D 2D 2D 2D	-----BEGIN SSH2 PUBLIC KEY-----
Microsoft Tape Format	-	54 41 50 45	Microsoft Tape Format for Tape Backup of different Windows Systems
PGP	-	85 XX XX 03	File Format for Storing Public Keys, used in keyrings and widely adopted in Linux Communities

Task 2

Using a hex editor of your choice,

- Open ‘file carving’
- Consult the ‘Files Headers List.docx’ and check file signature for ‘file carving’,
- Add the correct extension to the ‘file carving’ filename and open it,

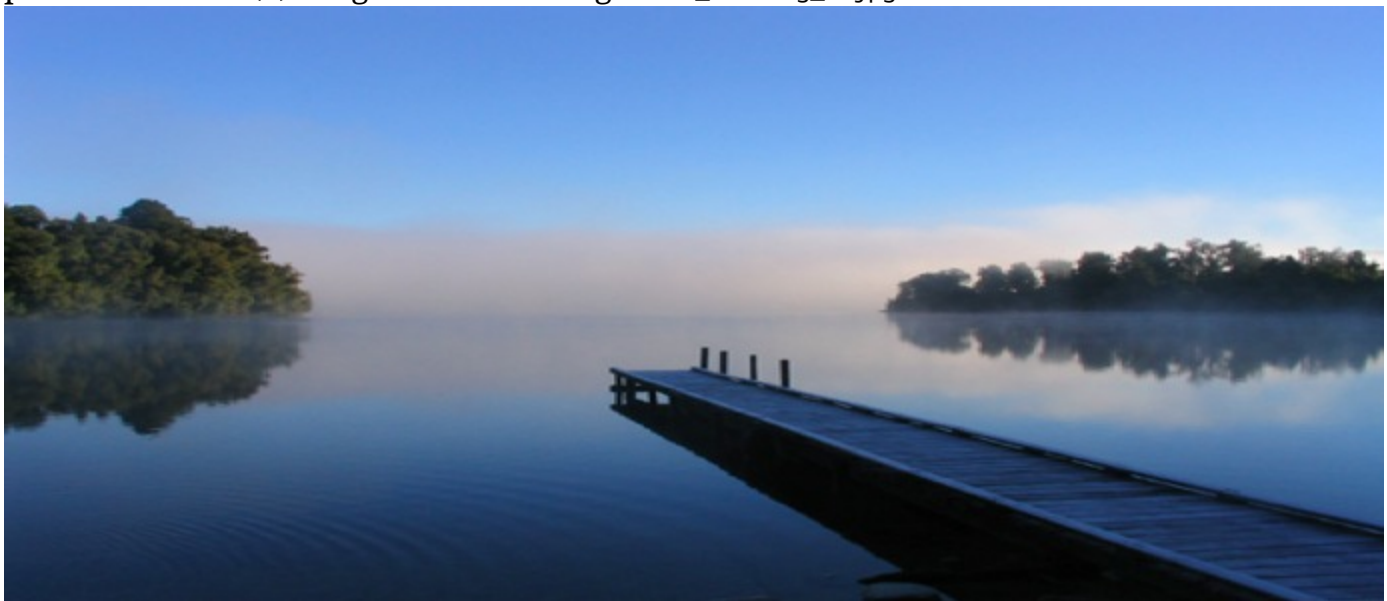
- Extract All hidden files in the 'file carving',
- Save each extracted file with a separate name and with the correct extension.
- Open each extracted file —

File Carving has the Signature FF D8 FF E0 00 10 4A 46 49 46 00 01 Which is a jpeg/jpg file, but is it only that?

From Wiki: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/JPEG>; The End of Image JPEG Marker is 0xFFD9 At the last Offset 0001FDF6 + 5 Bytes the marker is 0x0D So this file is not just a JPEG Image.

1: Searching for 0xFFD9 we extract the real jpg image under the file name File_Carving_1.jpg

2: Right after this signature there is another jpg Header starting with FF D8, Doing same procedure as in (1) we get another Image File_Carving_2.jpg:



3: Again, immediately after the pier image we find another JPG signature, same procedure



as previous we get File_Carving_3.jpg:

4: Right After that image we find a PDF file Signature 25 50 44 46 2D, We need to know a PDF EoF marker to correctly extract it. From: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/11896858/does-the-eof-in-a-pdf-have-to-appear-within-the-last-1024-bytes-of-the-file>

We know that the PDF EoF is %%EOF First %%EOF marker yields a corrupt PDF File_Carving_4.pdf, a second %%EOF Marker is found yielding an intact pdf File_Carving_5.pdf. To make sure this is correct I try to find another %PDF- Marker to see if there is another PDF present, which is not the case.

To make sure there are no files left, some common file formats signatures were searched, yet received no results:

ID3	mp3
WEBP	webp images
rtf	Rich Text
ftyp	mp4 file formats begin with ftyp
Rar!	rar archives

all found media is given with assignment submission