

Email Labs

OSForensics
Autopsy

Initial Set Up

On your Windows 10 RADISHng desktop

Copy over the MS E-mail Files.E01 data file from:

`R:\share\Labs\Email Social Media Lab\`

to your private directory. e.g.:

`R:\student\<username>\EmailLab\Email Social
Media Lab\`

For the remainder of this lab description, your private directory will be referred to as your *Work Folder*

Email Forensics Using OSForensics

Goal & Background

In this lab, you will be using OSForensics to search for e-mail evidence involving **Ron Torvald**

You will be examining **Ron Torvald**'s Outlook mailbox

OSForensics can't process Outlook's mailbox (.pst) files individually, so you must search an entire image to find e-mail evidence.

Out with the New...

To complete this lab, you'll have to:

Install an older (free) version of OSForensics

To install the older version:

Copy the `R:\tools\OSForensics\osf_old.exe` image to your `Documents` directory

Double-click on it to install

Follow the default prompts

Create New Case

1.

Start OSForensics, and click **Yes** in the UAC message box. If necessary, click **Continue Using Free Version**. Click **Start** in the left pane, and click **Create Case** in the right pane.

2.

In the New Case dialog box, type **C11Proj1** in the Case Name text box, type your name in the Investigator text box, and click the **Investigate Disk(s) from Another Machine** option button.

3.

Click the **Custom Location** option button. Click **Browse**, navigate to and click your work folder, click the **Make New Folder** button, type **C11Proj1**, and click **OK** twice.

Load and Scan Data

4.

Click the **Add Device** button, click the **Image File** option button, click the **ellipse** button, navigate to and click your work folder, double-click **MS E-mail Files.E01**, and click **OK**.

5.

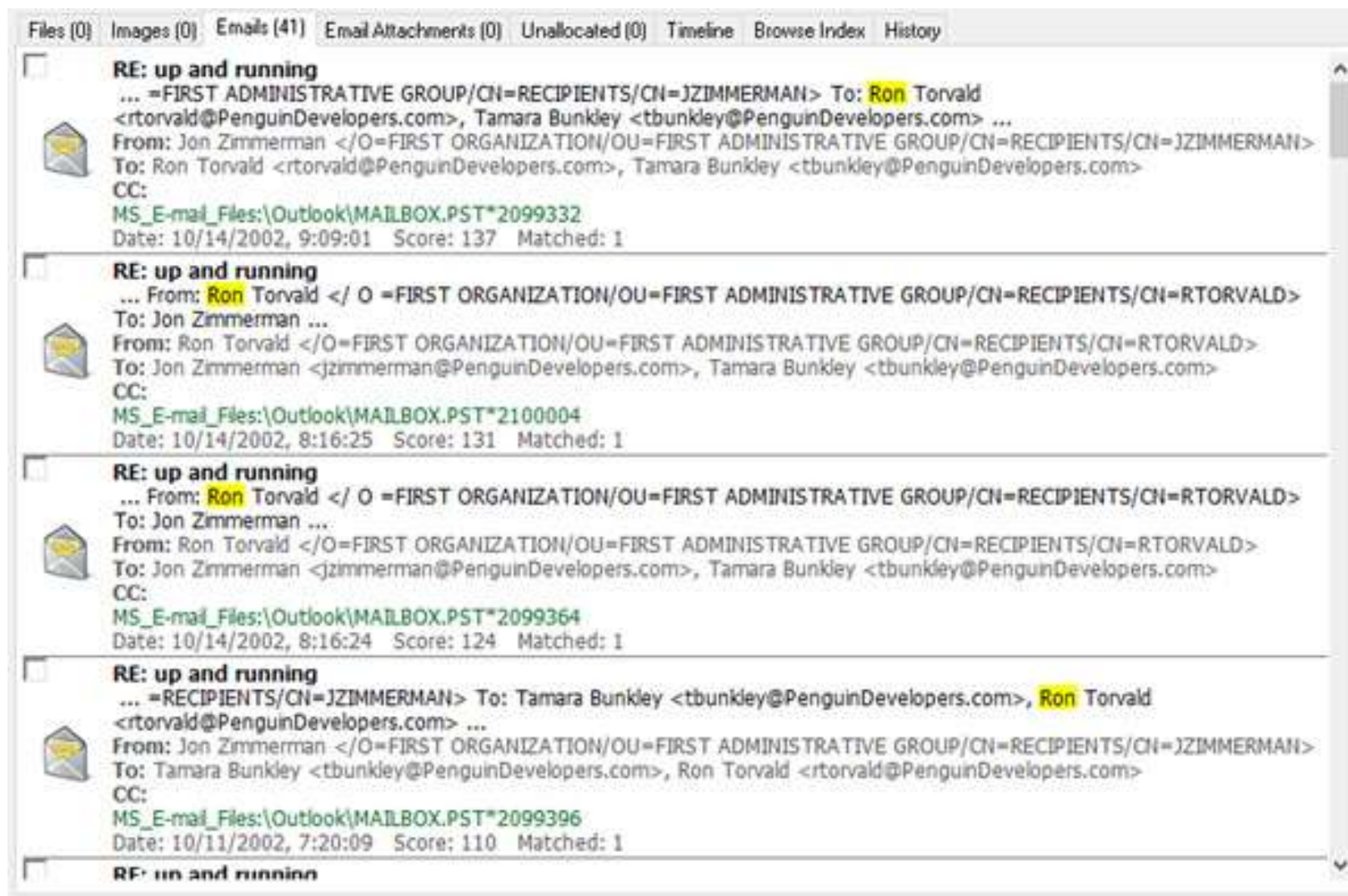
In the left pane, click **Create Index**. In the Step 1 of 5 window, click the **Use Pre-defined File Types** option button, click **Check All**, and click **Next**. In the Step 2 of 5 window, click the **Add** button. In the Add Start Location dialog box, verify that the **Whole Drive** option button is selected, and then click **OK**. Click **Next**, and in the Step 3 of 5 window, click **Start Indexing**. When OSForensics finishes indexing, click **OK** in the warning message box.

6.

Click the **Search Index** button in the left pane, type **Ron** in the Enter Search Words text box, and click **Search** in the right pane. The e-mails on Ron Torvald's computer are listed in the Emails tab with their file headers containing timestamp confirmation data (see [Figure 11-1](#)).

Emails Displayed with File Headers

Figure 11-1



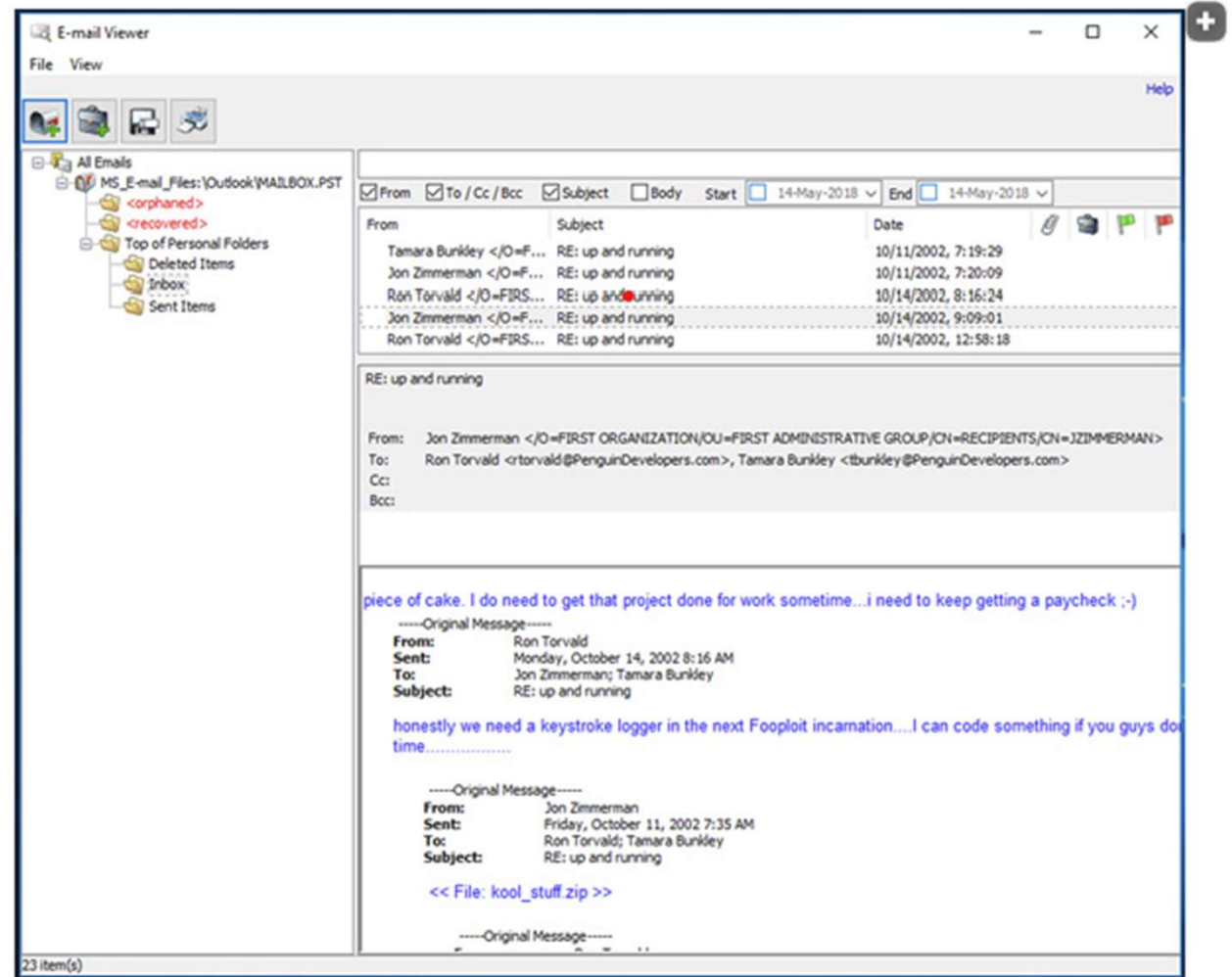
Open E-mail Viewer

7.

Right-click the first e-mail and click **Open** to open the OSForensics E-mail Viewer (see Figure 11-2).

Figure 11-2

Opening an e-mail in the built-in viewer



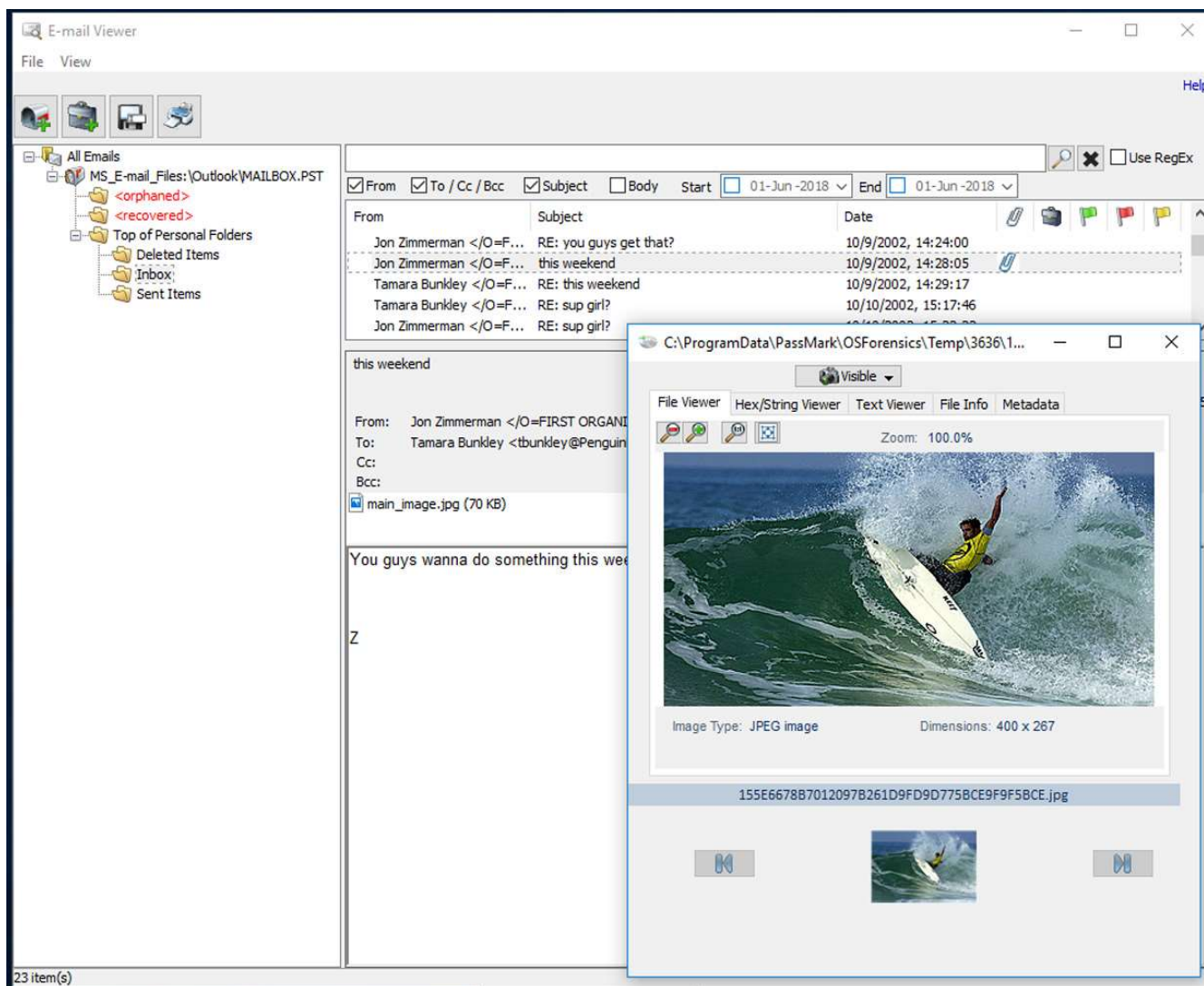
Examine Email with Attachments & Deleted Emails

8.

In the upper pane, scroll up and click the e-mail from Jon Zimmerman dated 10/9/2002, 14:28:05. In the lower pane, double-click the attached file **main_image.jpg (70 KB)** to view it (see [Figure 11-3](#)). In the left pane, expand **MS_E-mail_Files:\Outlook\MAILBOX.PST** and **Top of Personal Folders**, if necessary, to see the Deleted Items, Inbox, and Sent Items folders. Click the **Deleted Items** folder to see deleted e-mails.

Emails with Attachment

Figure 11-3



Investigate

9.

In the left pane, click the **MS_E-mail:\Outlook\MAILBOX.PST** folder, and in the upper pane, click the **From** column header to sort the messages alphabetically. Scroll down the upper pane to find e-mails from Tamara Bunkley. Click the e-mail with the subject “RE: this weekend,” and examine its contents in the lower pane. Notice that it’s a reply to an e-mail sent by Jon Zimmerman.

Follow-up Questions

Email Forensics using OSForensics Lab

Continue the ***Email Forensics using OSForensics Lab*** and answer the following questions

1. *How many e-mails were deleted from Ron Torvald's Outlook mailbox?*
2. *How many e-mails with attached files did Ron Torvald get from Tamara Bunkley?*
3. *Deleted e-mails with attachments can't be viewed. **True or False?***
4. *How many e-mails did you find by using "Ron" as a search keyword?*
5. *How many zipped files are attached to e-mails?*

Email Forensics Using Autopsy

Goal & Background

In this lab, you will be using Autopsy to search for e-mail evidence involving **Ron Torvald**

You will be examining **Ron Torvald**'s Outlook mailbox

Autopsy is like OSForensics in that it can't process Outlook mailbox (.pst) files individually, so you have to search an entire image to find e-mail evidence

We'll try to find additional e-mails that might not have been discovered with OSForensics.

Create New Case

1.

Start Autopsy, and click the **Create New Case** button. In the New Case Information window, type **C11Proj2** in the Case Name text box. Click **Browse** next to the Base Directory text box, navigate to and click your work folder, click **Select** to enter this path, and then click **Next**. In the Additional Information window, type **C11Proj2** in the Case Number text box and your name in the Examiner text box, and then click **Finish**.

2.

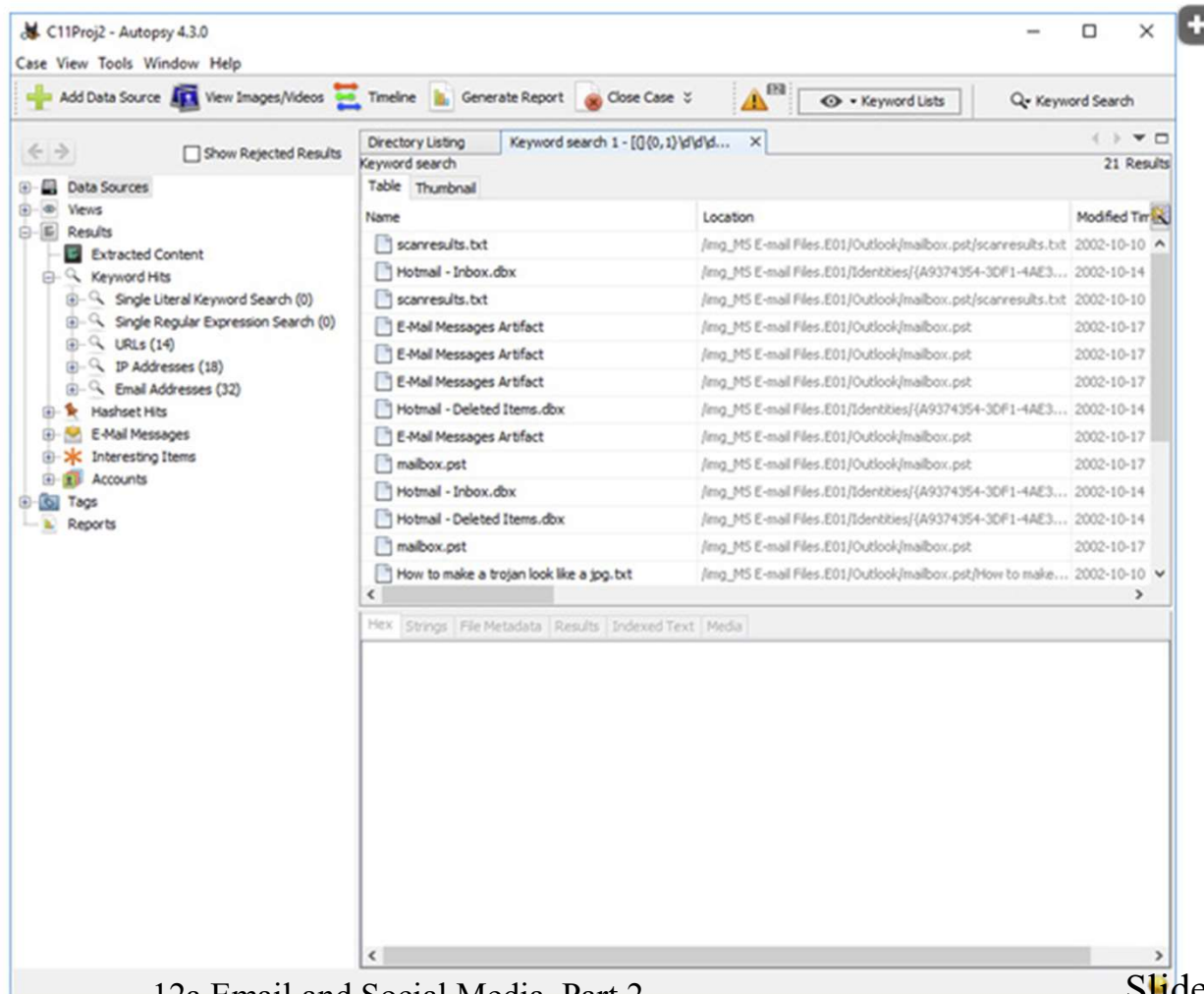
In the Add Data Source Window, click **Disk Image or VM File**, if necessary, then click **Next**. In the Select Data Source window, click **Browse**, navigate to your work folder, select the **MS E-mail Files.E01** file, click **Open**, then click **Next**. In the Configure Ingest Modules window, click **Select All**, and then click **Next** and **Finish** to start analyzing the evidence.

Click the **Keyword Lists** down arrow, click the **Phone Numbers**, **IP Addresses**, **Email Addresses**, and **URLs** check boxes, and then click the **Search** button to begin searching for mailboxes and files that match the phone number, IP address, e-mail address, or URL patterns. [Figure 11-4](#) shows the results.

Figure 11-4

Viewing mailboxes found in an image

**Start
Analysis**



Sent and Received Emails

4.

Click **Keyword Search** at the upper right, type **Ron Torvald**, and click **Search**.

5.

In the Result Viewer pane, scroll down and click the **Sent Items.dbx** folder to see the e-mails Ron Torvald sent; his name is highlighted in yellow in these e-mails. Use the Content Viewer pane to view the contents of these e-mails.

6.

In the Result Viewer pane, scroll up and click the **mailbox.pst** folder to see the e-mails Ron Torvald received; again, his name is highlighted in yellow. View the e-mails' contents in the Content Viewer pane.

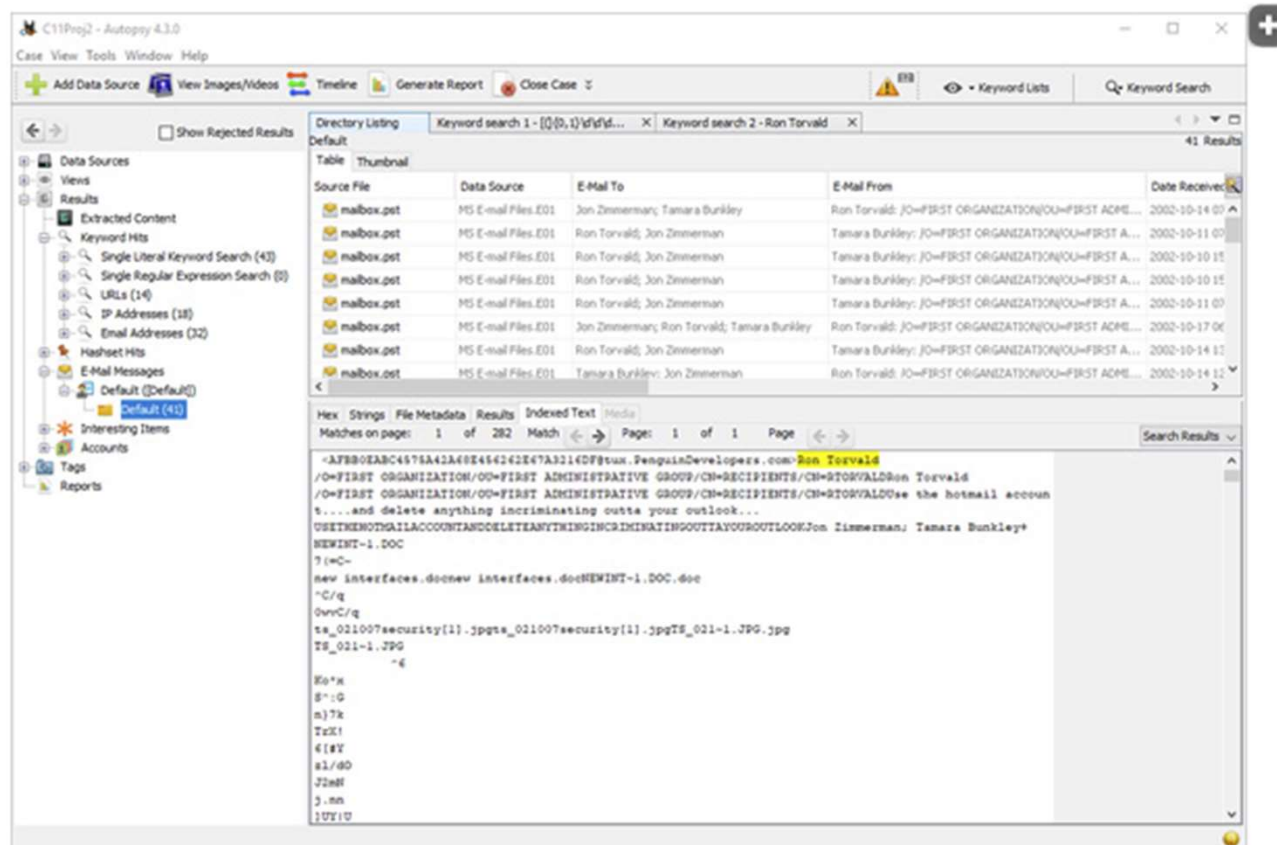
Other Email Views

7.

In the left pane, expand **E-Mail Messages** and **Default ([Default])**, and click the **Default** folder to see e-mails listed in the E-Mail To and E-Mail From columns, as shown in [Figure 11-5](#).

Figure 11-5

Viewing all e-mails



Source: www.sleuthkit.org

Sent and Received Emails

8.

In the left pane, expand **Views**, **File Types**, and **By Extensions**, and then click the **Images** folder. Click the **Thumbnail** tab in the Result Viewer pane to see the pictures attached to e-mails. Click the **Table** tab, and scroll to the right to see the MD5 hash value for each graphics file.

9.

In the left pane, expand **Results** and **Keyword Hits**, and click the **Email Addresses** folder. In the Result Viewer pane, examine the Files with Hits column to find each of these e-mail addresses.

Follow-up Questions

Email Forensics using Autopsy Lab

Continue the **Email Forensics using Autopsy Lab** and answer the following questions

1. *How many graphics files did Autopsy recover?*
2. *How many Hotmail e-mail addresses did you find?*
3. *How many video files are attached to e-mails in the **MS E-mail Files.E01** image?*
 - a. 16
 - b. 0
 - c. 2
 - d. 3
4. *In the archive folder (under the File Type, by Extension path), how many archive files did Autopsy recover?*
 - a. 0
 - b. 1
 - c. 2
 - d. 5
5. *Autopsy recovered the same number of e-mails as OSForensics did. **True or False?***



Finding Google Searches and Multiple Email Accounts

Initial Set Up

On your Windows 10 RADISHng desktop

*Copy over the **precious.001** data file from:*

R:\share\Labs\Email OSN Lab

to your private directory. e.g.:

R:\student\<username>\EmailLab\Email OSN Lab

For the remainder of this lab description, your private directory will be referred to as your **Work Folder**

Goal & Background

Frodo Baggins, a suspect in a digital crime, used his forensics skills to discover account passwords by using information he found in the Windows Registry.

In this lab, you will be using Autopsy to find e-mail and Google search evidence showing that **Frodo Baggins** hacked a Windows computer's Registry to discover user account passwords.

Create New Case

1.

Start Autopsy, and click the **Create New Case** button. In the New Case Information window, type **C11Proj3** in the Case Name text box. Click **Browse** next to the Base Directory text box, navigate to and click your work folder, click **Select** to enter this path, and then click **Next**. In the Additional Information window, type **C11Proj3** in the Case Number text box and your name in the Examiner text box, and then click **Finish**.

2.

In the Add Data Source Window, click **Disk Image or VM File**, if necessary, then click **Next**. In the Select Data Source window, click **Browse**, navigate to your work folder, select the **precious.001** file, click **Open**, then click **Next**. In the Configure Ingest Modules window, select all but the **Plaso** ingest module, click **Next** and **Finish** to start analyzing the evidence.

Start Analysis

3.

Click the **Keyword Lists** down arrow, click the **Phone Numbers, IP Addresses, Email Addresses**, and **URLs** check boxes, and then click **Search** to view all the mailboxes on this computer.

4.

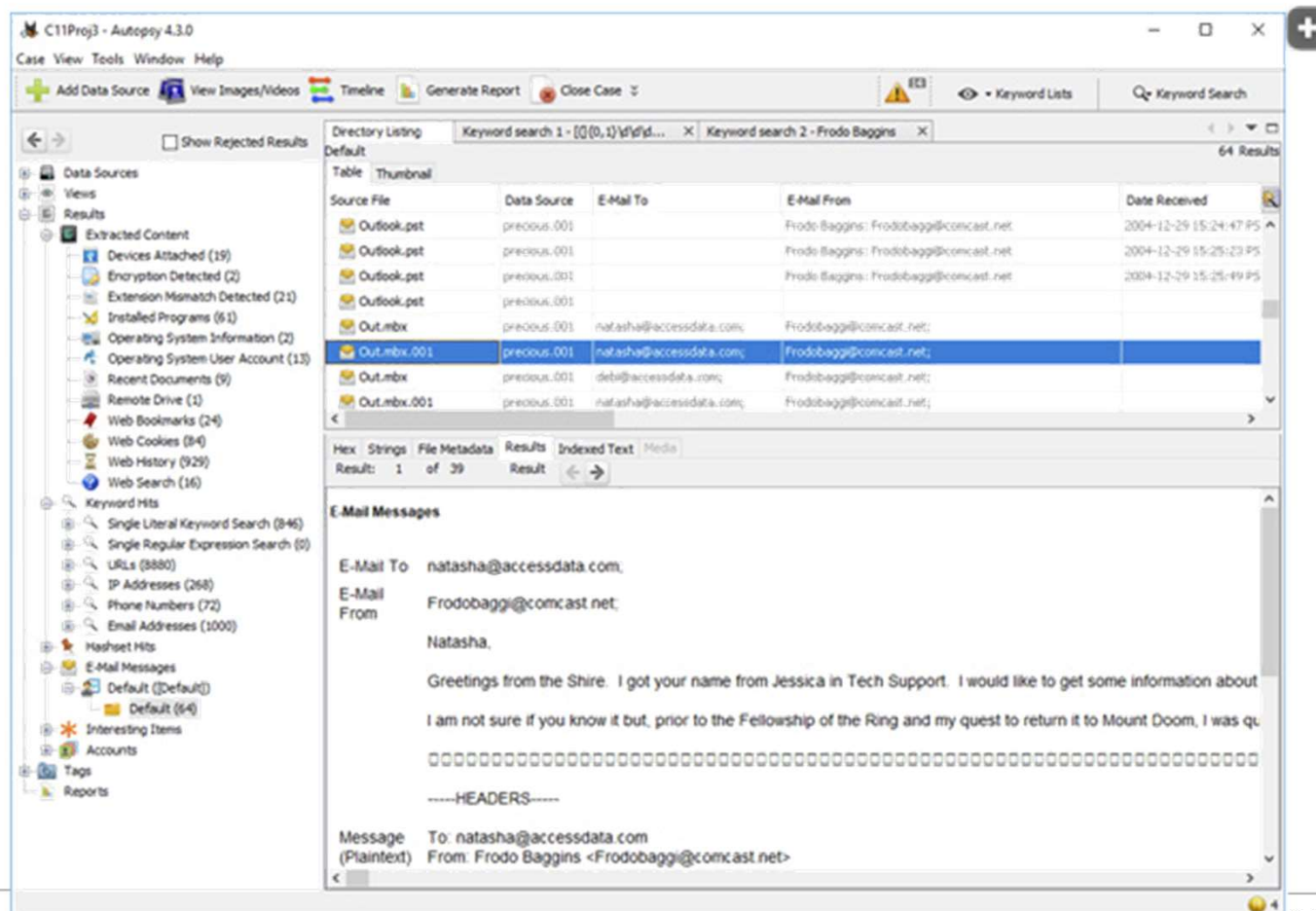
Click **Keyword Search** at the upper right, type **Frodo Baggins**, and click **Search**.

In the left pane, expand **E-Mail Messages** and **Default ([Default])** and click the **Default** folder. Scroll down the Result Viewer pane, and click the first **Out.mbx.001** mailbox to see its contents in the Content Viewer pane (see [Figure 11-6](#)).

Figure 11-6

Viewing the text of an e-mail

Examine Emails



Examine Email Headers

6.

Click the **Headers** tab in the Content Viewer pane to see the e-mail header information, including the Message-ID, which uniquely identifies the messages in the e-mail server database.

Analyze Web Searches

7.

In the left pane, expand **Results** and **Extracted Content**, if necessary, and click the **Web Search** folder. In the Result Viewer pane, examine the Text column to see Internet Relay Chat (IRC) searches.

Find Email Accounts

8.

In the left pane, expand **Keyword Hits**, if necessary, and click the **Email Addresses** folder. Examine the Result Viewer pane to find any e-mail addresses that might belong to Frodo Baggins.

Follow-up Questions

Finding Google Searches and Multiple Email Accounts

Continue the ***Finding Google Searches and Multiple Email Accounts Lab*** and answer the following questions.

1. *How many e-mails, including duplicates, did you find?*
2. *How many different Frodo Baggins e-mail addresses did Autopsy recover?*
3. *Frodo Baggins didn't have an AOL e-mail account. **True or False?***
4. *How many Google searches for the term “computer forensics” were made?*
5. *MD5 hash values are displayed automatically in the default mailbox view. **True or False?***