

# **Computer Investigations**

**Nelson et al, 6th edition**

**Chapter 1, pp 21-54 (top)**

**Additional material**

**Labs based upon Nelson but different**

# Agenda

Today's agenda:

*Accessing RADISH desktop*

Windows 10

Kali Linux (via VMWare Workstation Pro)

*Intro to Forensic Investigations*

Lecture

Lab:

*Based on Nelson text, Chapter 1*

*Montgomery\_72018 Case*

*Review and Upcoming Assignments*

# **RADISH Access**

# RADISH Access

You should have received an email that has the following information

*Slides: [Remotely Accessing RADISH](#)*

*Instructions (including credentials)*

*Support Information*

See next slide

# RADISHng

## *Support*

Preferred method: Google Form

*Link:* <https://forms.gle/fjiN9WwqmQEdHXoX7>

Email

*Subject:* Support for ITMS 538/438

*Address to:* [forseclab@iit.edu](mailto:forseclab@iit.edu)

# RADISHng

## *Assign01b\_s*

To complete Assign01b\_s, you should

*Navigate to <https://radish.sat.iit.edu>*

**Select and install VMWare Horizon Client**

*HTML5 (Web-based)    or*

*Desktop client*

*Run VMWare Horizon Client*

*Connect to default server (<https://radish.sat.iit.edu>)*

*Enter your credentials*

*Launch your Windows 10 ITMS x38 Desktop*

# Forensics Investigations

## An Introduction

# Overview

This lecture is sort of a hands-on digital forensics technology overview

*Nelson et al, 6th edition Chap 1 pp 21-54 is used as a base*

We'll do a bit of digital forensics

*Move through the steps of an investigation*

*Use a forensic software tool*

*We'll work with a flash drive image*

*Similar techniques can be used on much large disks*



# Investigation Procedure

## *Preliminaries*

### Prepare the Case

*Is this a crime, civil, or administrative policy violation?*

### Begin the investigation

*Take a systematic approach*

- Assess the case

- Map out how you will proceed

- Plan the investigation

- Plan the gathering & securing information (potential evidence)

### Understand the computer forensics workstations and software that you will use

*Consider data recovery workstations, tools and software*

# Investigation Procedure

## *Lab Work: Discuss & Demonstrate*

Often, labs will be demonstrated during class

*Students will repeat or do similar labs as assignments.*

# Investigation Procedure

## *Lab Work: Discuss & Demonstrate*

In this session we'll cover a simple forensic analysis of a case

*Discuss some steps of the process*

*Demonstrate others*

Follow closely the Nelson text

*Collect and secure the sources from which we will develop evidence*

From a flash drive and other details

*Create two forensic copies of the flash drive*

*Investigate the flash drive*

*Develop evidence*

*Create a forensic report*

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May want to remove the part where they collect and secure evidence and create forensic copies

Maybe I just need to mention that only the items in red will be demonstrated

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# Investigation Procedure

## *Lab Work: Discuss & Demonstrate*

Using tools, create an **exact** copy

*In our case tonight, we'll discuss creating an exact duplicate (i.e., **forensic image**) of the flash drive*

Be able to prove it is an exact copy

Secure the original material investigated

*In our case tonight, we'll securing the original flash drive*

Chain of custody

Using tools, gather information

*Gather information from the forensic image*

Not from the original

# Investigation Procedure

## *Analysis, Report and Evaluation*

Complete a case

*Develop some hypotheses about how the crime or violation was committed*

*Develop evidence (based upon information gathered) that supports one hypothesis and refute the others*

*Write/generate a report*

# Prepare a Case

# Prepare a Computer Investigation

Role of computer forensics professional

*Gather information and from it develop evidence to prove a suspect committed a crime or violated a company policy*

Collect information in a way that can be offered in court or at a corporate inquiry

*Investigate the suspect's computer but preserve the evidence and perform the analysis on a different computer*



# Prepare a Computer Investigation

Follow an accepted procedure in preparing a case

*This procedure may differ depending on whether the violation is administrative, civil or criminal*

Chain of custody

Important

*Control and record the route the evidence takes from the time you find it until the case is closed or goes to court*

*A court will declare information inadmissible as evidence if there is a chance that the source of the data could be tainted*

# Examining a Computer Crime

Computers can contain information that helps law enforcement determine

*Chain of events leading to a crime*

*Evidence that can lead to a conviction*

Law enforcement officers should follow proper procedure when acquiring the evidence

*Digital evidence can be easily altered by an overeager investigator*

# Examining a Computer Crime

Nelson's text describes a hypothetical crime scene

*Suspected drug dealer*

*Police raided home*

Hopefully with a warrant; if not, anything they found will be inadmissible in court

*Seized several digital items that might yield evidence of a crime*

# The Computer Crime Scene

*What do you see in the crime scene?*



**Figure 1-8** The crime scene

# Examining a Computer Crime\*

Now review ***An Overview of a Computer Crime*** on (p 23-top of p 24) of Nelson, 6th Ed

Then close your book

What steps did the acquiring officer follow in the seizure of the digital items?

You're told that the forensic examiner's office has a number of tools.

*What tool might they have?*

*What tool might they not have?*

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Put in answers to what tools they might have.

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# Examining a Company Policy Violation

Employees misusing resources can cost companies millions of dollars

Private enterprises are increasingly turning to forensic specialists to investigate policy violations

Vendors of forensic equipment and software report the following trends

*Their sales to law enforcement and government entities are increasing*

*Their sales to private organizations have grown and are still growing*

*They have and are modifying their products and marketing to accommodate this trend*

# Examining a Company Policy Violation

## Examples of possible misuse

*Surfing the Internet, especially on company time*

*Sending personal e-mails*

*Using company computers for personal tasks*

*Using company computers in a private business*

*Copying proprietary information*



# A Company Policy Violation Scenario

We will use the following scenario for the rest of this session.

*An employee named George Montgomery has been missing for a week without any notice*

*Another employee, Martha, is also missing without notice*

*No one seems to know anything about why they are gone*

*Steve Billings (George's supervisor) asks the IT Dept. to confiscate George's hard drive and any other storage media in his work area*

Why can George's company do this?

# What George's Company Can Do in Illinois, U.S.A.

The computer supplied by your employer and used by you both at work and home can be seized.

Your personally owned computer, when connected to your company's network is subject to searching

Your personally owned computer, when not network connected at all or connected to a public ISP is probably not legally subject to search or seizure

What if you're on your company network via wireless network?

# Begin an Investigation

# Taking a Systematic Approach

## *Really just common sense*

1. Make an initial assessment about the type of case you are investigating
2. Determine an initial approach to investigating the case
3. Create a detailed design for the investigation
4. Determine the resources you need
5. Obtain & copy the evidence disk drive
6. Identify the risks
7. Mitigate or minimize the risks
8. Test the design
9. Analyze and recover the digital evidence
10. Investigate the data you recovered
11. Complete the case report
12. Critique the case

# Assessing the Case

Systematically outline the case details:

*General situation*

*Nature of the case*

*Specifics about the case*

*Type of evidence*

*OS involved*

*Known disk formats*

*Location of evidence*

Based on case details, you can determine the case requirements:

*Type of evidence*

*Computer forensics tools needed*

*Special OSs that might be required*

# Assessing the Case of Missing George Montgomery

Now review **Assessing the Case** (Nelson 6<sup>th</sup> ed, p 26 & 27)

Then close your book

Let's answers questions about the case

*General situation*.....Possible employee resource abuse

*Nature of the case*.....Side business on company computer

*Specifics about the case*....Set up Web sites

*Type of evidence*.....USB drive

*Known disk formats*.....NTFS (on the flash drive)

*Location of evidence*.....A USB drive from George's computer  
Custodian has it

# Planning your Investigation

1. Acquire the evidence
2. Complete an ***evidence form*** & establish a ***chain of custody***
3. Transport evidence to a computer forensics lab
4. Secure evidence in an approved secure container
5. Prepare a forensics workstation
6. Obtain the evidence from the secure container
7. Make a forensic copy of the evidence
8. Return the evidence to the secure container
9. Process the copied evidence with computer forensics tools

# Planning *Montgomery\_72018* Investigation

1. Get flash drive from custodian
2. Start an *evidence form* and establish a *chain of custody*

*Where has the flash drive been since it was seized?*

*Who has it.*

*Keep track of where it is and who has it. Document!*

3. Take the flash drive to the forensic lab
4. Secure it

*Lock it up in an approved secure way. Label it.*

*Take precautions to keep it from being damaged*

Antistatic bags.

Protective enclosure.



# Planning *Montgomery\_72015* Investigation

An evidence custody form helps you document what has been done with the original evidence and its forensics copies

*It records the chain of custody*

Nelson discusses two types of custody forms

*Single-evidence form*

*Multi-evidence form*

# Multi-Evidence Form

<b>Organization X Security Investigations</b>						
This form is to be used for one to ten pieces of evidence.						
Case No.:			Investigating Organization:			
Investigator:						
Nature of Case:						
Location where evidence was obtained:						
Description of evidence:		Vendor Name:		Model No./Serial No.		
Item #1						
Item #2						
Item #3						
Item #4						
Item #5						
Item #6						
Item #7						
Item #8						
Item #9						
Item #10						
Evidence Recovered by:				Date & Time:		
Evidence Placed in Locker:				Date & Time:		
Item #	Evidence Processed by:		Disposition of Evidence		Date/Time	
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**Figure 1-9** A sample multi-evidence form used in a private-sector environment

# Single-Evidence Form

Metropolis Police Bureau High-tech Investigations Unit			
This form is to be used for only one piece of evidence. Fill out a separate form for each piece of evidence.			
Case No.:			Unit Number:
Investigator:			
Nature of Case:			
Location where evidence was obtained:			
Item # ID	Description of evidence:	Vendor Name	Model No./Serial No.
Evidence Recovered by:			Date & Time:
Evidence Placed in Locker:			Date & Time:
Evidence Processed by	Disposition of Evidence		Date/Time
			Page ___ of ___

# Single-Evidence Form

*(filled out example)*

Metropolis Police Bureau High-tech Investigations Unit			
This form is to be used for only one piece of evidence. Fill out a separate form for each piece of evidence.			
Case No.:	Montgomery_72015	Unit Number:	-----
Investigator:	Vashiti Marin, Legal Dept.		
Nature of Case:	Possible use of company computer for non-Acme purposes		
Location where evidence was obtained:	Originally from desk of George Montgomery, Acme employee.		
Item # ID	Description of evidence:	Vendor Name	Model No./Serial No.
102-01	USB drive, red-orange "SAT@IIT ForSecLab" In red-orange letters on metallic background	None apparent	None apparent
Evidence Recovered by:	Vashiti Marin	Date & Time:	22 Jan 2020 10am
Evidence Placed in Locker:	Dawid Broda, evidence custodian	Date & Time:	22 Jan 2020 11am
Evidence Processed by	Disposition of Evidence	Date/Time	
Vashiti Marin	Make forensic images of flash drive	22 Jan 2020, 2pm	
Dawid Broda	Replace flash drive in Locker	22 Jan 2020, 4pm	

# Securing your Evidence

Use computer safe products

*Antistatic bags*

*Antistatic pads*

Use evidence bags to secure and catalog the evidence

Use padded containers if needed

Use evidence tape to seal bags and containers

Write your initials on tape to prove that evidence has not been tampered with

Consider computer-specific temperature and humidity ranges if needed

# Forensic Workstations

A case may involve a wide variety of OSs, mass storage devices, etc.

So, a forensic lab needs to have

*Many different OSs*

*Interfaces to attach to and read many different mass storage devices in a way guaranteed not to modify the content of the mass storage device*

Being attached to a network is **not** desirable

*Forensic workstations MUST NOT be network attached*

*But the lab needs other computers that are*

# OS Intrusiveness

All OSs are intrusive in that as they boot up, they will try to access mass storage devices and write to them

Also, if you are analyzing a flash drive, you can prevent it from being modified by setting the read-only switch

*If it has one*

# OS Intrusiveness

But what if it doesn't have a read-only switch

*Flash drives usually don't*

Or what if we need to analyze a hard disk?

Both software and hardware "write-blockers" exist that can prevent writing to a hard disk

You can set up your personal Windows computer so that it can be a write blocker for USB devices

The following Lab shows you how to do this on your personal Windows computer if you wish to do it.

We will not do this because this is an online class and we would need physical computers



# Lab 02a-1

Configure Win10 to write block USB devices  
Do this on your **personal Windows computer**

Do **NOT** do this on your RADISHng VM

# Overview

In Windows XP SP2, Microsoft added a feature that allows us to write block USB storage devices

*It was first discussed on Microsoft TechNet*

*The details are also in a white paper by AccessData*

This feature has been continued in Vista through Windows 11

# Overview

There are also tools on the Internet

*e.g., Thumbscrew*

<http://www.irongeek.com/i.php?page=security/thumbscrew-software-usb-write-blocker>

*Other similar tools are available*

Always be careful what you download/install  
So, we could download an app and use it

*But you wouldn't learn much*

Instead, lets learn something. Do it yourself!

# Overview

## The three basic steps

1. *Create a Windows 10 restore point on your personal computer*
2. *Modify the Registry*
3. *Create two **.reg** files that will allow you to easily move back and forth between blocking and not blocking*

# Create a Win10 Restore Point

*(so that if we mess up we can recover)*

Go to

Change **Control Panel** view to **Small Icons**

Click on **System**

In the left pane, click **System protection**

*If you are prompted for confirmation, confirm to continue*

Click on **System Protection** tab

Click on **Create...**

Type a description of the restore point

*e.g., USB Write protect registry hack*

Click **Create**

*It will take between 10 and 30 seconds*

Click **OK**

Get out of all the pop-up windows and close the **Control Panel**

# Modify the Registry

Run **regedit** (as administrator)

Go to

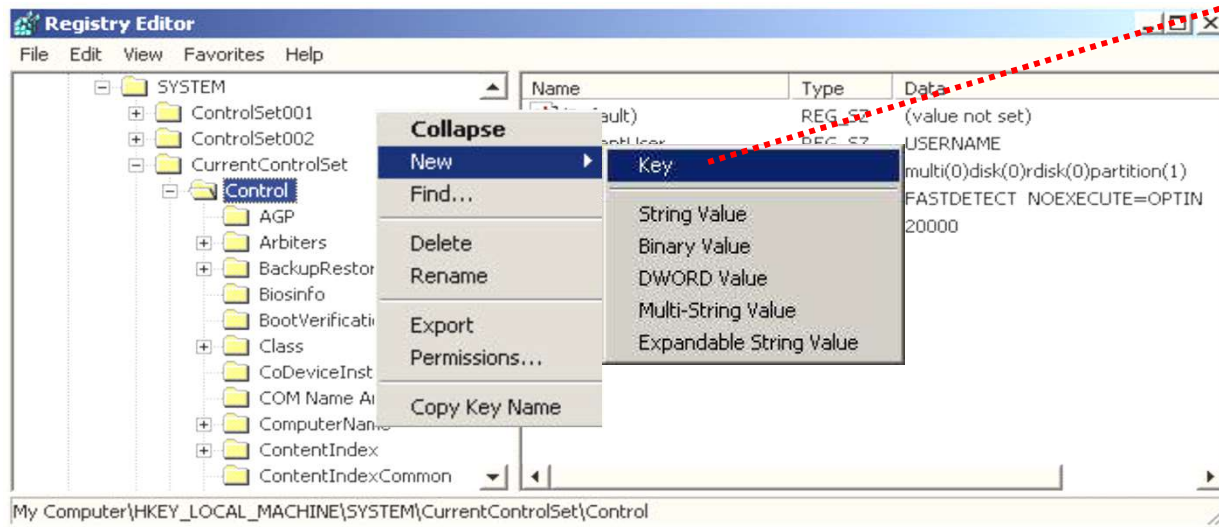
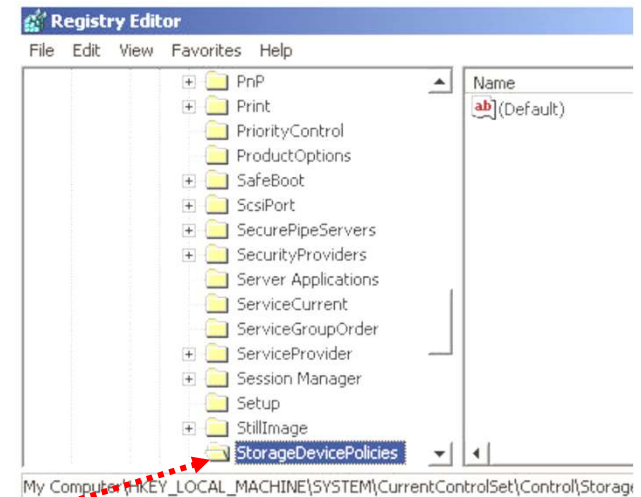
*HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet*

Highlight the *Control* key

Right click on *Control* and choose *New > Key*

You will get a highlighted *NewKey#1* item

Rename it **StorageDevicePolicies** (no spaces)

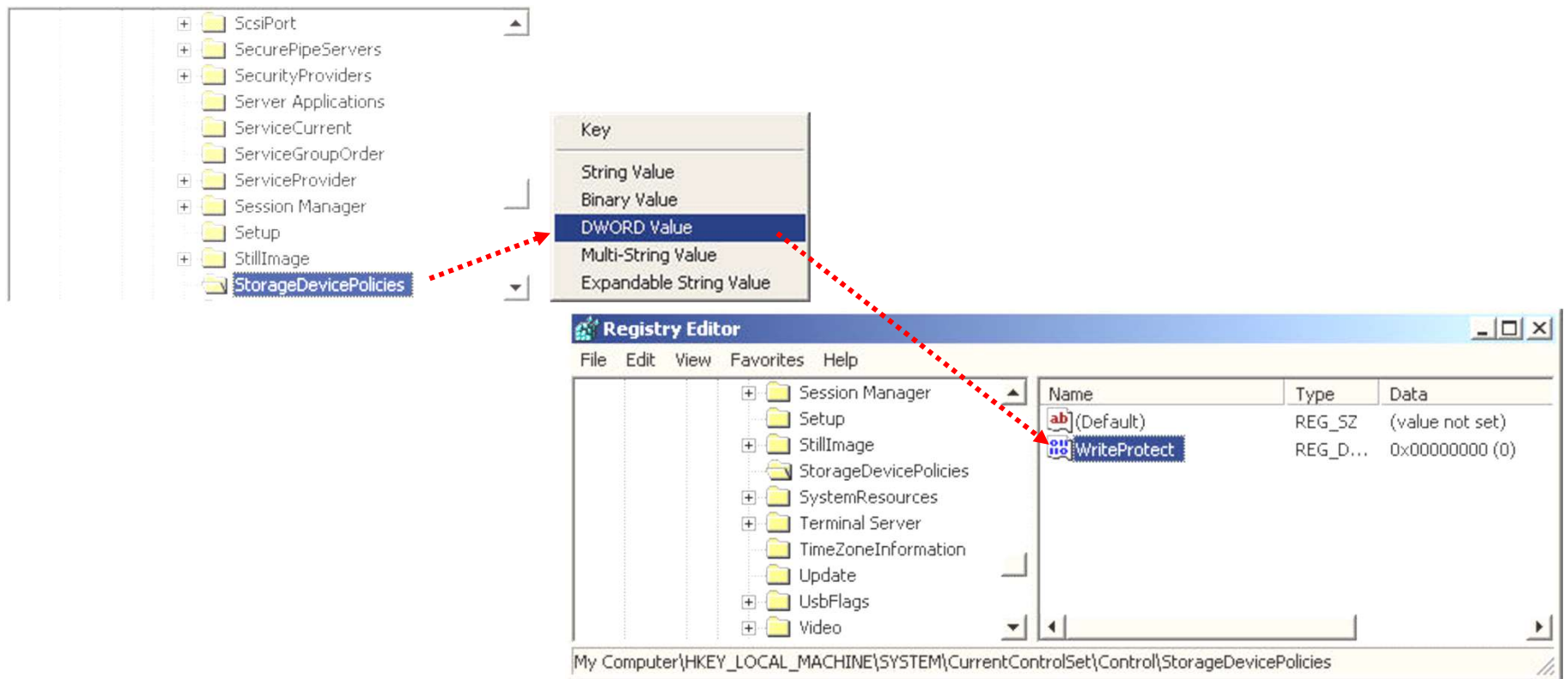


# Modify the Registry

Right click on ***StorageDevicePolicies***

Select ***New*** → ***DWORD (32 bit) Value***

Rename it ***WriteProtect*** (no space)



# Modify the Registry

## *To Make Win10 Prevent Writing to USB Devices*

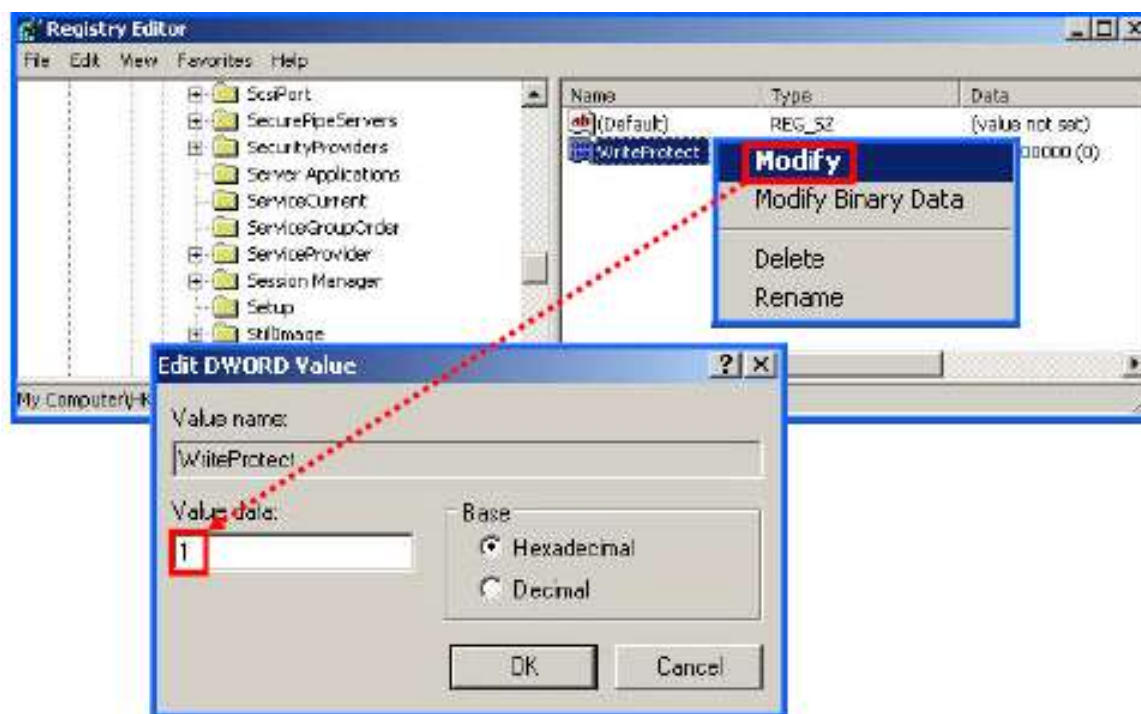
Right click on **WriteProtect**

Select **Modify**

An “Edit DWORD Value” window will pop up

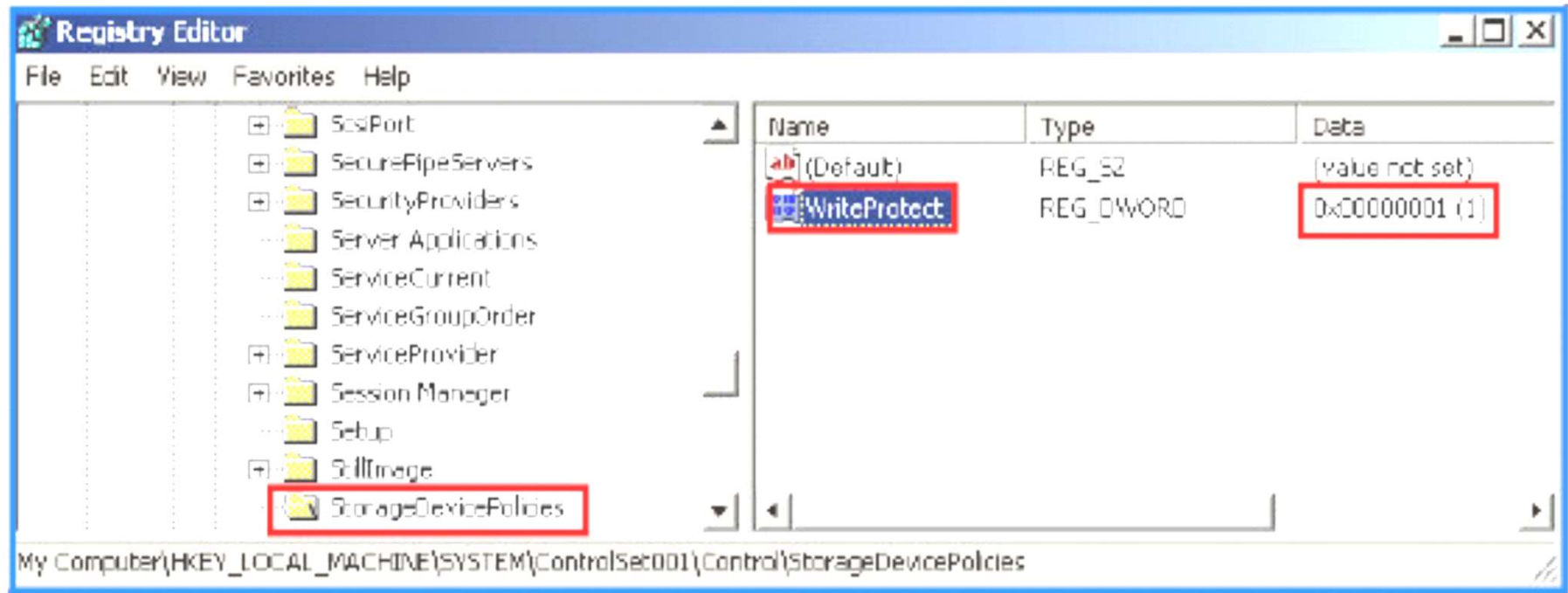
Change the value to “1”

Click “OK”





# Result



**Don't close the registry yet!**

# Creating Desktop Links

You've created a new key and value that will write protect USB devices

But we need to easily move between write protect and no write protect

To do this we will create a desktop link

# Creating Desktop Link

## *USB Write Protect ON*

Right click on **StorageDevicePolicies**

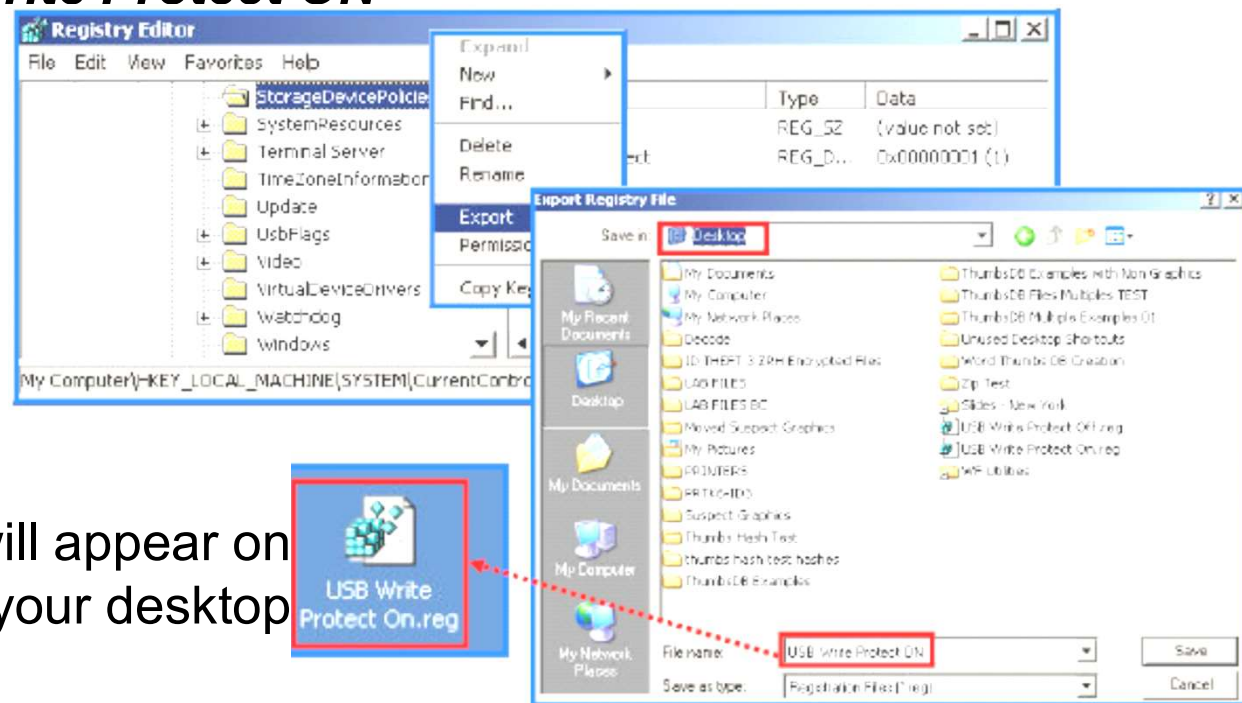
Select **Export**

An “Export Registry File” window will pop up

Pick the Desktop at the top of the window

Name the file **USB Write Protect ON**

Click **Save**



A link will appear on  
your desktop



# Modify the Registry

## *To Allow Win10 to Write to USB Devices*

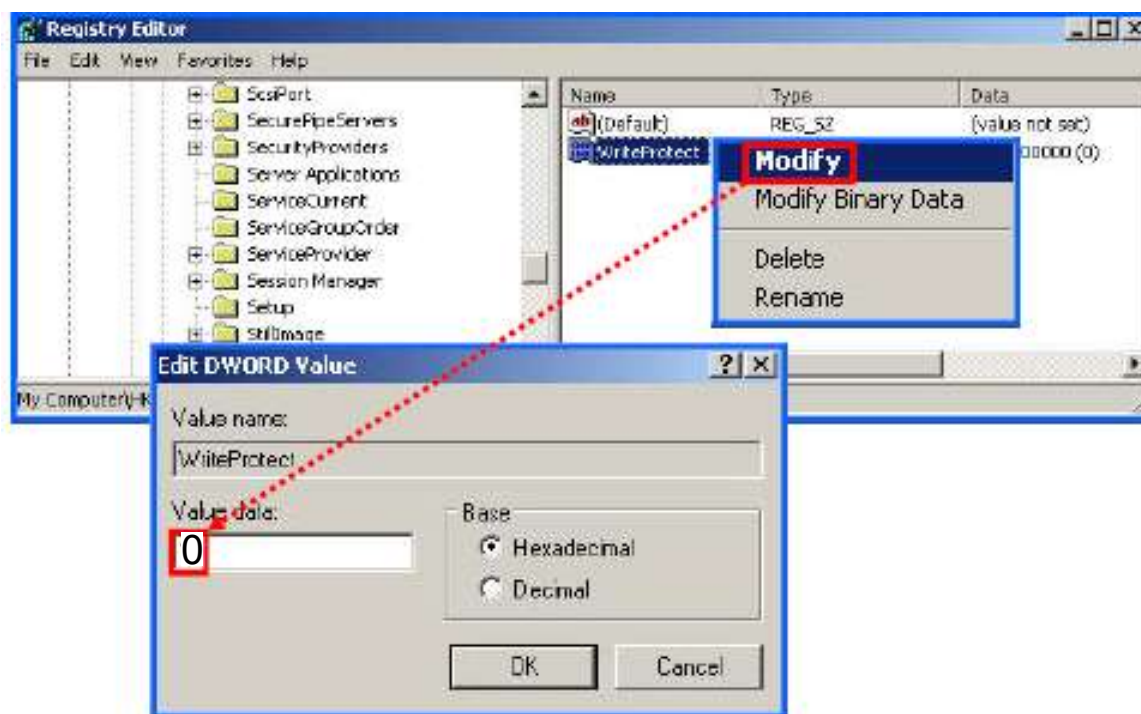
Right click on **WriteProtect**

Select **Modify**

The “Edit DWORD Value” window will pop up

Change the value to “0”

Click “OK”



# Creating a 2<sup>nd</sup> Desktop Link

## *USB Write Protect OFF*

Right click on **StorageDevicePolicies**

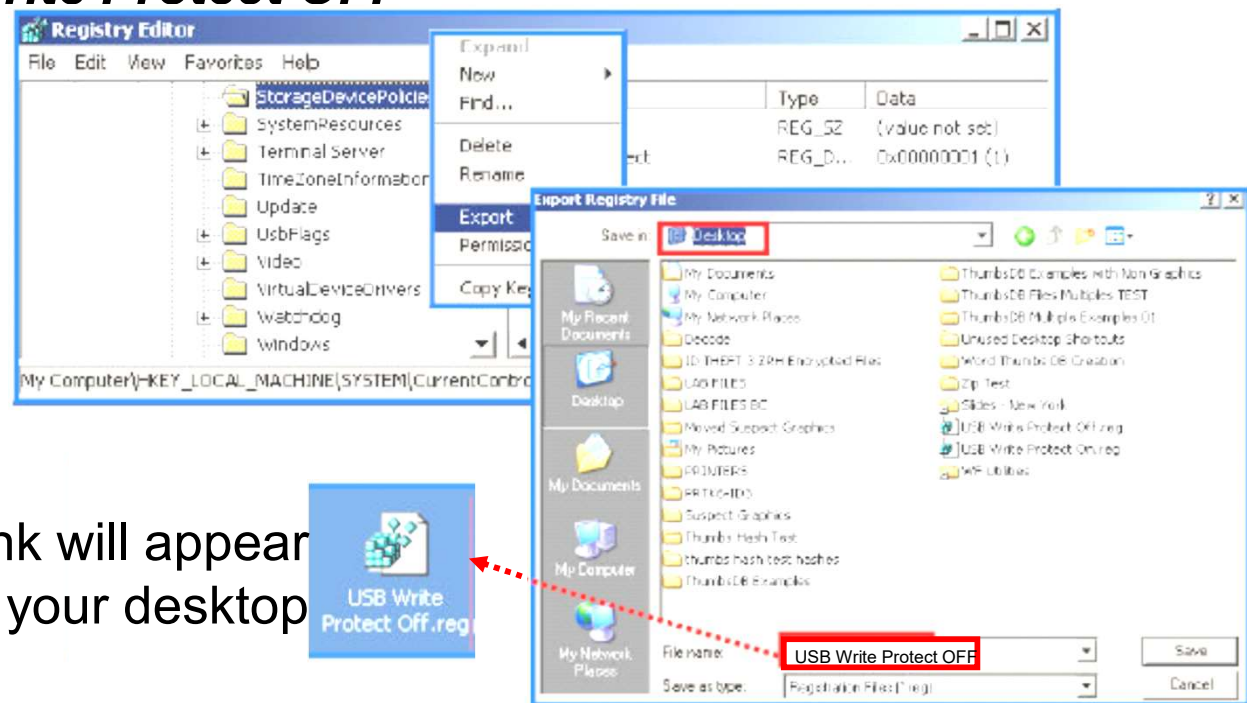
Select **Export**

An “Export Registry File” window will pop up

Pick the Desktop at the top of the window

Name the file **USB Write Protect OFF**

Click **Save**



A 2<sup>nd</sup> link will appear  
on your desktop



# Two New Links on Your Desktop

## Close regedit

You should have two icon links on your desktop



With these you can change between

*Blocking writing to USB devices and*

*Allowing writing to USB devices*

These are not shortcuts; they are actual Registry code.

# Comments on This USB Write Protect Policy

To write protect a USB device you must set the **USB Write Protect Device Policy** to **ON** before you plug in your USB device

*When you plug in a USB device, Windows checks to see if it should allow writing*

**This capability is not good practice in real cyber forensic cases**

*Generally, not acceptable in court*

Usually approved write blockers are used

*We have some of these, but they are expensive*

# **End of Lab 02a-1**



# Back to the *Montgomery\_72018* Case

# Conducting the Investigation

So far you

*Have a plan for the investigation*

*Set up a workstation to be able to write protect USB devices*

*Installed some of the needed software*

Actually, we installed it for you in order to save time

*The other software was installed for you*

# Lab 02a-2

Gathering the Evidence  
pp 41 of Nelson 6th ed  
Steps 1-6

# Lab 02a-2

## *Obtaining the Evidence; Preview*

Review page 41 of Nelson 6<sup>th</sup> ed

### **Conducting an Investigation**

#### ***Gathering the Evidence***

Step 1-6 on p. 41 of Nelson:

*Because this class is entirely online, we can't actually execute the procedures detailed in steps 1-6.*

*Instead, we will assume that steps 1-6 have already been done and the item is in the custodian's evidence locker*

# Lab 02a-2

## *Gathering the Evidence; Preview*

We don't have an real evidence cabinet, locker or safe

*In the past we used a red plastic box to simulate the evidence locker*

*Each student would have a flash drive*

*Each student would sign out the evidence, completing the chain of custody form*

*After the student made forensic images of the flash drive, the would return the drive to the custodian and execute the transfer using the chain of custody form*

The custodian is in charge of the evidence locker

*The custodian is not the same as the forensic investigator*

Each student will be the forensic investigator and will image and investigate her or his own evidence

# **End of Lab 02a-2**

# Bit-by-Bit Copies

Aka:

Bit-image copy

Bit-stream copy

Forensic copy

Image copy

# Bit-by-Bit Copies

This type of copying is a bit-by-bit copy of the original storage medium

**Exact** copy of the original storage medium

*Often referred to as a "bit-image", "bit-stream", "image" or "forensic" copy*

Different from a simple backup copy or the copying of files

*Such simple copying copies only known files*

*Does not copy deleted files, file fragments, "empty" space on a disk, etc.*

The "empty space" may not really be empty



# Bit-by-Bit Copies

A bit-by-bit “image” file contains a bit-by-bit copy of

*All data on a disk or partition*

*All the empty space*

*Positioned exactly as it is on the original device*

You usually need to copy the image file to a target disk that matches the original disk's size, and model

*Or at least to a disk that is larger than the original disk*

*And maybe manufacturer*

This is a limitation of direct bit-by-bit copying

But you don't usually copy from the source disk to the destination disk directly

# Bit-by-Bit Copies

Software exists that will make an "***image file***"

*Image files* contains enough information so that software is able to recreate a bit-image copy of the source disk

*There exists approved "image file" software*

Has been verified

Is accepted by legal courts

Image file software can adjust for a target disk that is not exactly the same as the source disk

*For instance, if the target disk is larger than the source disk, you might still be able to achieve a bit-by-bit copy with the remainder of the target disk truly empty*

# Bit-by-Bit Copies

Here is a figure from Nelson

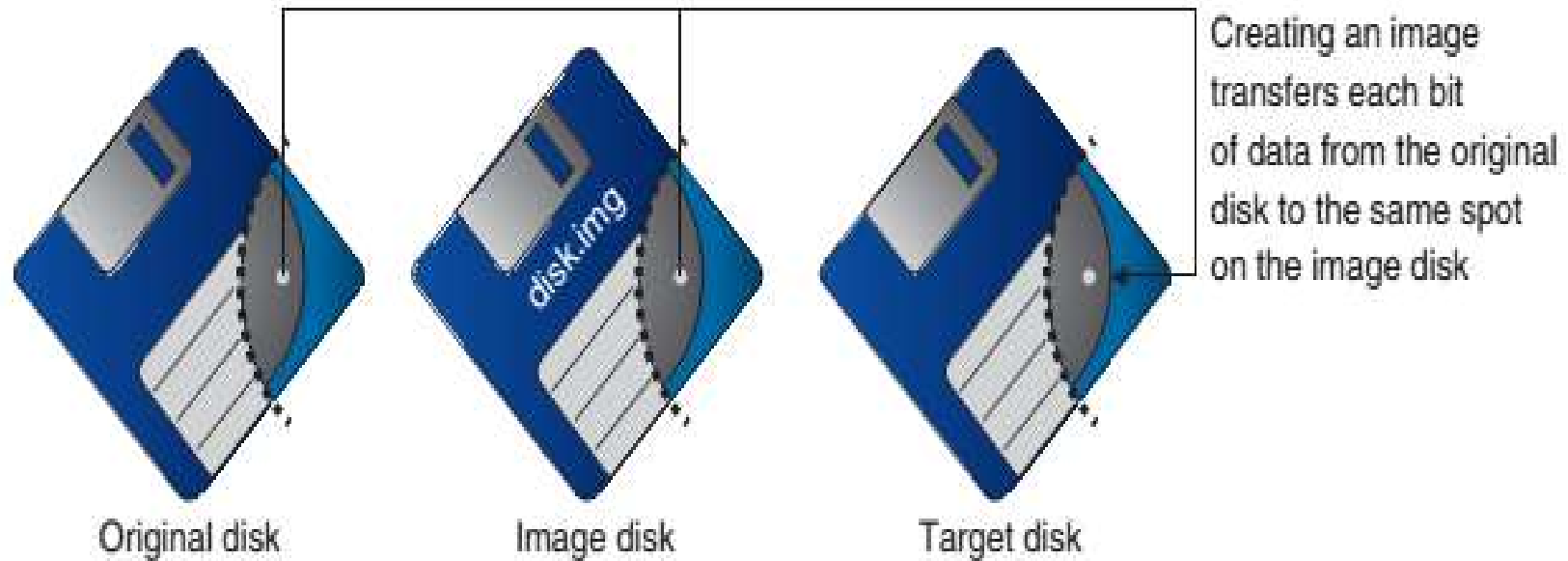
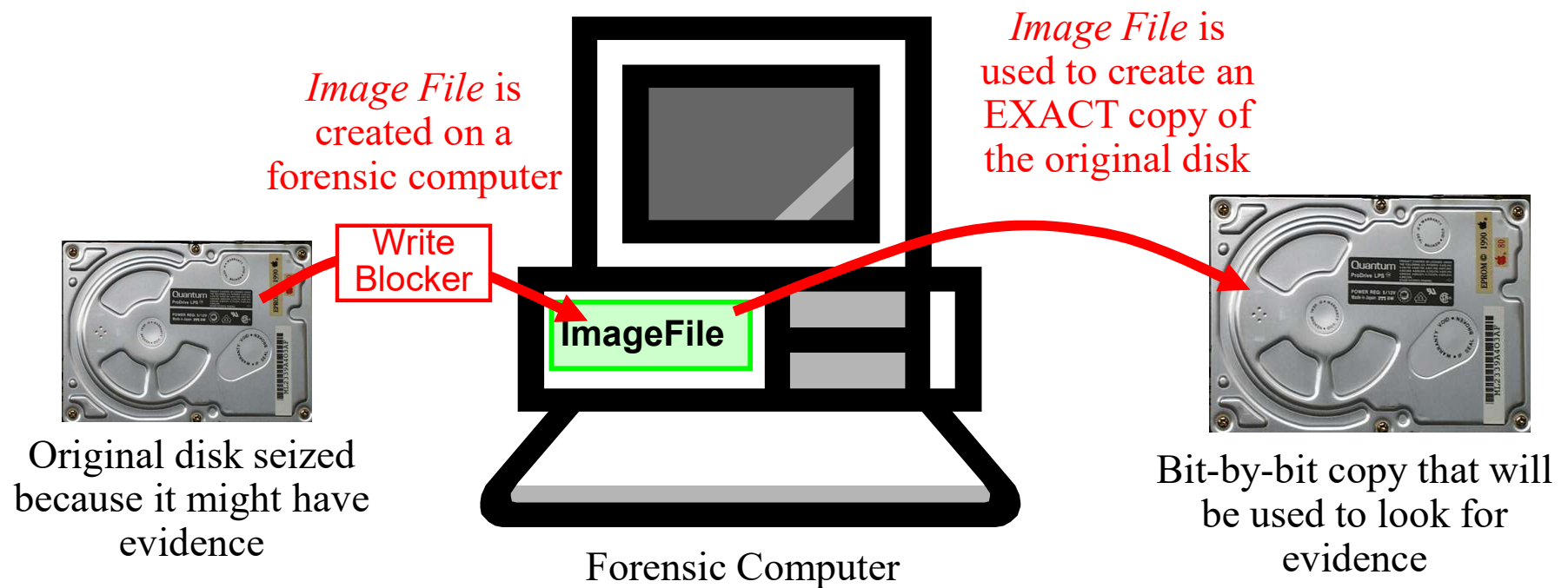


Figure 1-11 Transfer of data from original to image to target

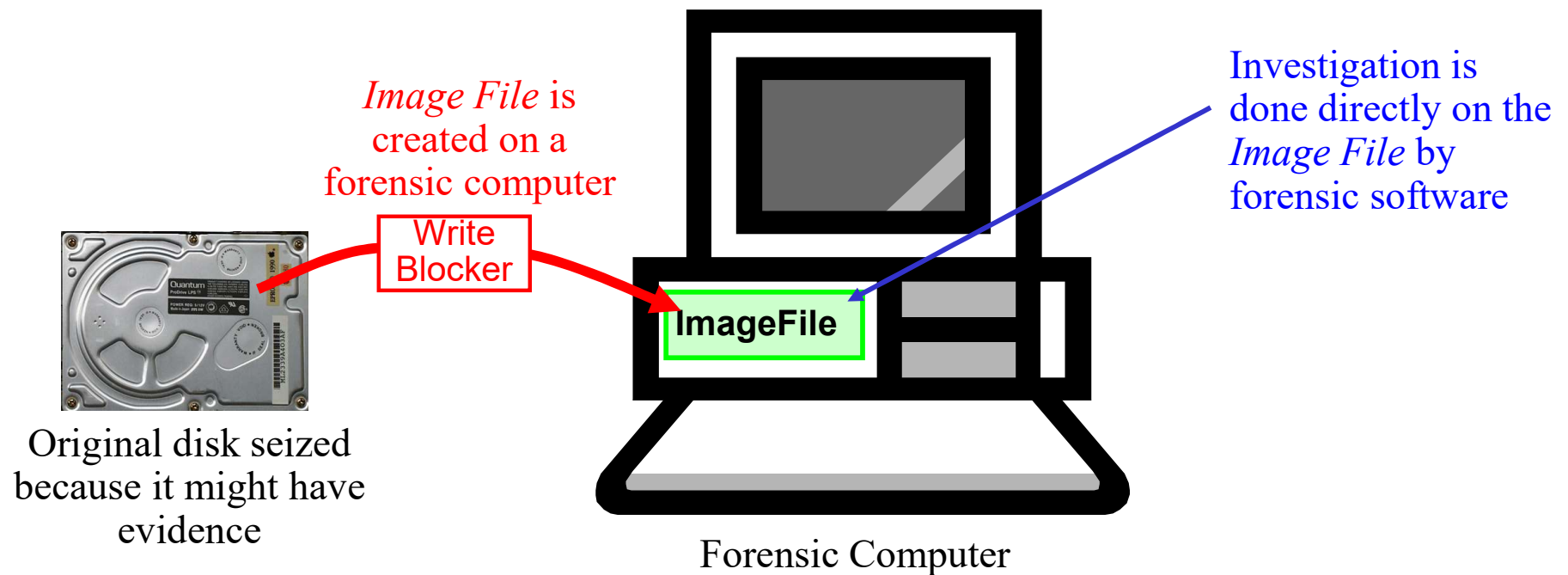
**This is a misleading and obsolete figure. The middle image is usually a file on a hard disk.**

# Bit-by-Bit Copies



This is sometimes what goes on.

# Bit-by-Bit Copies



But this is usually what typically happens

# More on Bit-by-Bit (Image) Copies

# More on Bit-by-Bit Copies

You can make a bit-by-bit (image) copies using many different tools

**diskcopy** *(for diskettes only) Comes with Windows OSs up to Win7*

**Image**

*Digital Intelligence*

**FTK Imager**

*AccessData*

**ProDiscover**

*Technology Pathways*

**EnCase**

*Guidance Software*

**WinHex**

*X-Ways Forensics*

**dd**

*All Unix/Linux distros*

*Others*

# Bit-by-Bit Copy Using *diskcopy*

Can be done from command line in any MS Windows OS up through Win7

*diskcopy* only works for diskettes

Creates neither a separate image file nor a hash

Not useable in legal court cases

1-step process

*Original evidence disk* → *Copy of evidence disk*

*Diskette* → *Diskette*



# Bit-by-Bit Copy Using *image*

*image* creates an image file and a hash

Accepted by courts

Works with diskettes, flash drives or hard disks

2-step process:

*Evidence Disk → Image File → Copy of Evidence Disk*

*Flash Drive → File on Hard Drive → Flash Drive*

You can make more than one copy from the image file

# Bit-by-Bit Copy Using

*FTK Imager, dd, EnCase, ProDiscover & WinHex*

*FTK Imager, dd, EnCase, ProDiscover and WinHex* create image files in several different formats

*e.g., raw (dd), EnCase (e01), FTK (001), Ghost, ICS, Safeback and SMART formats*

*Several different hashes*

Accepted by courts

Works with files, partitions, diskettes, optical format drives, flash drives or hard disks

Process:

*original drive or file → image file*

Can also clone the original disk or file

*image file → clone of original*

Imaging capability is free

# Then What?

FTK, *Autopsy*, EnCase, ProDiscover, *WinHex* or other forensic software then can be used to analyze the image file directly, so you don't need to create a 2<sup>nd</sup> disk that is a cloned bit-by-bit copy of the evidence disk

All of the above run on any modern Windows OS

*Autopsy also runs on Linux*

# Bit-by-Bit Copy Using *dd*

*dd* is the grandfather of all the cloning software

*Free with all Unix and Linux distros*

*Versions for Windows exist*

*Has been around since 1960s*

It is still the only “universal” cloning tool

Most imaging software includes *dd* as an option

*dd* makes a true bit-by-bit, sector-by-sector copy

Process

*Source drive, partition or file → Target*

Target can be a .dd image file or another disk

*If a disk, it must be the same size or larger than the original disk*

# Lab 02a-3

## Forensic Imaging

This is demonstration and discussion.

It use to be a lab.

# First Steps in Process

Obtain the evidence from the custodian

*Use chain of custody form*

Next, make two (2) or more forensic copy sets, each set using different software

Each set should consist of:

*A forensic physical image plus hashes*

*A forensic logical image plus hashes*

Legally verify that all of the images are accurate

*How?*

Finally, return the evidence to the custodian

*Use chain of custody form*

# What This Lab Used to Do

For actual evidence, students created:

*MD5 of evidence*

*SHA1 of evidence*

Using FTK Imager, students created

*Physical and logical images of evidence*

*Then created*

MD5 of physical image

SHA1 of physical image

MD5 of logical image

SHA1 of logical image

Using WinHex, students created:

*Physical and logical images of evidence*

*Then created*

MD5 of physical image

SHA1 of physical image

MD5 of logical image

SHA1 of logical image

Using ProDiscover, students created:

*Physical and logical images of evidence*

*Then created*

MD5 of physical image

SHA1 of physical image

MD5 of logical image

SHA1 of logical image

# Results of What This Lab Used to Do

For actual USB drive, students used WinHex to take 2 hashes

*USB drive size: 125, 952 KB*

Then they took hashes of the USB drive.

MD5: 7213735569ef6a34e85840e67d05544a

SHA1: 2d1274be0c73067ca842aad90e03bdb4ae03aa37

Using FTK Imager, students created physical and logical **.001** images of the USB drive.

*Physical image size: 125, 952 KB. Logical image size: 1,440 KB*

Then they took hashes of the images.

MD5 of physical image: 7213735569ef6a34e85840e67d05544a

SHA1 of physical image: 2d1274be0c73067ca842aad90e03bdb4ae03aa37

MD5 of logical image: 2fcf64599b1d241cc4ba56aece1e8541

SHA1 of logical image: bcceaf6564da79741477f39fd97345ff25d88fa



# Results of What This Lab Used to Do

Using WinHex, students created physical and logical **.dd** images of the USB drive.

*Physical image size: 125, 952 KB. Logical image size: 1,440 KB*

Then they took hashes of the images.

MD5 of physical image: 7213735569ef6a34e85840e67d05544a

SHA1 of physical image: 2d1274be0c73067ca842aad90e03bdb4ae03aa37

MD5 of logical image: 2fcf64599b1d241cc4ba56aece1e8541

SHA1 of logical image: cbcceaf6564da79741477f39fd97345ff25d88fa

Using Pro Discover Basic, students created physical and logical **.eve** or **.dd** images of the USB drive. Then they took hashes of the images.

MD5 of physical image: 7213735569ef6a34e85840e67d05544a

SHA1 of physical image: 2d1274be0c73067ca842aad90e03bdb4ae03aa37

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SHA1 of logical image: cbcceaf6564da79741477f39fd97345ff25d88fa

# Imaging Results

## *Example from a past Lab*

MD5

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PhyFtkMont	.001	7213733569ef6a34e85840e67d05544a	125,952 KB
PhyProMont	.dd	7213733569ef6a34e85840e67d05544a	125,952 KB
PhyWHxMont	.dd	7213733569EF6A34E85840E67D05544A	125,952 KB
LogFtkMont	.001	7213733569ef6a34e85840e67d05544a	125,952 KB
LogProMont	.dd	2fcd64599b1d241cc4ba56aece1e8541	1,440 KB
LogWHxMont	.dd	2FCD64599B1D241CC4BA56AECE1E8541	1,440 KB

SHA1

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PhyFtkMont	.001	2d1274be0c73067ca842aad90e03bdb4ae03aa37	125,952 KB
PhyProMont	.dd	2d1274be0c73067ca842aad90e03bdb4ae03aa37	125,952 KB
PhyWHxMont	.dd	2D1274BE0C73067CA842AAD90E03BDB4AE03AA37	125,952 KB
LogFtkMont	.001	2D1274BE0C73067CA842AAD90E03BDB4AE03AA37	125,952 KB
LogProMont	.dd	cbcceaf6564da79741477f39fd97345ff25d88fa	1,440 KB
LogWHxMont	.dd	CBCCEAF6564DA79741477F39FD97345FF25D88FA	1,440 KB

# **End of Lab 02a-3**

## **Forensic Imaging**

# Lab 02a-4

## Analyzing the Forensic Image

# Analyzing the USB Drive Physical Image

Pages 43-52 (top) of Nelson

**Use your RADISHng Win10 VM to do this.**

# We Can Do This Now

Although I said that I would demo or discuss most labs

*But we can actually do this lab in class tonight*

This is because Nelson, pp 43-52 are very detailed

*It gives you step-by-step instructions about what to do*

I've verified the pages

*They all work as described with small exceptions.*

*Exceptions are due to changes in interface with newer versions of Autopsy*

# Analyzing Your Digital Evidence

*Use your RADISHng Win10 VM to do all of this*

Start at ***Analyzing Your Digital Evidence***, page 43 of Nelson

Do NOT do what is in the 1<sup>st</sup> Note near middle of p. 43

The latest version of Autopsy (v 4.19.3) is already installed for you.

There should be a shortcut on your Win10 Rng desktop



# Prior to Opening Autopsy

The 2<sup>nd</sup> note near the bottom of p 43 tells you what to do

*Create the folder `C:\Work\Chap01\Chapter\` on your RADISHng VM*

Instead of doing step 1 below the note, do the following:

*Copy the file*

`R:\share\Labs\Chapter1\Ch01InChap01.dd` →  
`C:\Work\Chap01\Chapter\`



# Start Autopsy

Now do from

*Step 2 on the bottom of p 43 to step 5 located below Figure 1-14 on p 45.*

*Modifications to text procedure:*

**Step 2** is now a little different

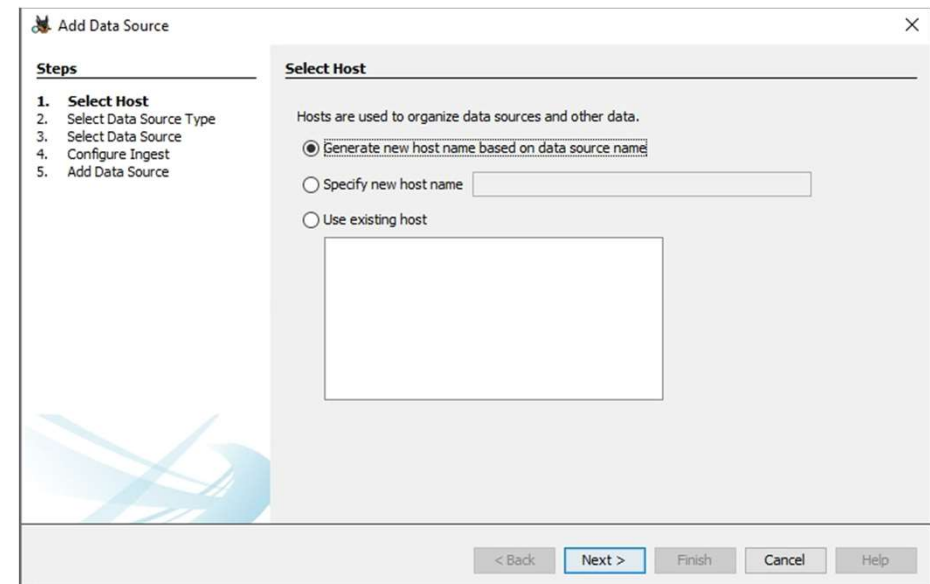
*Navigate to*

*C:\Work\Chap01\Chapter\*

*Click "Select"*

Before **Step 4**, you will see a Add Data Source window (see right)

*Use the default option (generate new host name). Click "Next".*



**Now STOP!**

*Let's make sure that we're all in sync.*

# Analyzing the Image

Start with step 1 near the bottom of p 45

Continue through step 7 on page 47.

*There are a few differences between version's 4.3.0 and 4.19.3*

Now **STOP** after step 7

*Again, let's make sure that we're all in sync.*

# Finish Analysis

Finish up by going through from the bottom of p 47 to the top of p 52.

The Report Generator is sparse for this device, but there are items there

*I've found that the law wants information that is more easily understood.*

# Conclusions

## *Domain Name Case*

Is the information that you gathered accurate and without artifacts or missing info?

Was George Montgomery

*Using his firm's computer in a private business?*

What's your evidence?

*Doing it on company time?*

What's your evidence?

*Was a goal of George's private business to make money?*

What's your evidence?

## Slide 94

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**DNO**

Answer the questions in the notes

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# Critique the Case

## *After You Complete It*

After every case, ask yourself the following questions:

*How could you improve your performance in the case?*

*Did you expect the results you found? Did the case develop in ways you did not expect?*

*Was the documentation as thorough as it could have been?*

*What feedback has been received from the requesting source?*

*Did you discover any new problems? If so, what are they?*

*Did you use new techniques during the case or during research?*

# Upcoming Assignments

# Assignments

## Reading/Discussion (Assign02a\_rd)

*Read Chapter 2 in Nelson text*

*Discussion boards*

Respond to someone else's thread in Chapter 1 board

Create new thread in Chapter 2 board

## Submit (Assign01b\_s)

*Log into your RADISH desktops and submit screenshots*

*Complete the Chapter1/Montgomery\_72018 lab and submit artifacts/report*