

**AIM:**

Explore forensics tools in Kali Linux for acquiring, analyzing and duplicating data: dd, dcfldd

**THEORY:**

The objective of this digital forensics experiment is to explore and understand the usage of forensics tools in Kali Linux, specifically focusing on data acquisition, analysis, and duplication using the dd (disk dump) and dcfldd (enhanced version of dd) tools. The experiment will cover the process of acquiring data from a source drive, analyzing the acquired data, and duplicating it to another storage device.

Introduction to dd and dcfldd:

dd is a command-line tool used for copying and converting files and is commonly used in digital forensics

for disk imaging.

dcfldd is an enhanced version of dd with additional features such as on-the-fly hashing and status output.

Steps :

**1. Creating an Empty USB Storage Device:**

Start by connecting a USB storage device to the Kali Linux system.

Identify the device using the fdisk-l command.

Create a new partition on the USB device using fdisk.

Format the partition with a file system, for example, here using sanj\_df02\_data.vmdk (vdi or vhd can be used too)

**2. Data Acquisition using dd:**

Identify the source drive (e.g., a suspect drive) using fdisk-l.

Use the dd command to create a forensic image of the source drive:

dd if=/dev/sdX of=/path/to/output/image.dd bs=4M

if: Input file (source drive).

of: Output file (forensic image).

bs: Block size for copying.

status: Display progress during the operation.

### 3. Data Acquisition using dcfldd :

Alternatively, use dcfldd for acquisition with additional features like hashing:

`dcfldd if=/dev/sdX of=/path/to/output/image.dd hash=md5,sha256 bs=4M`

### 4. Verification of Data Integrity:

Verify the integrity of the duplicated data by comparing hash values generated during the acquisition and duplication stages.

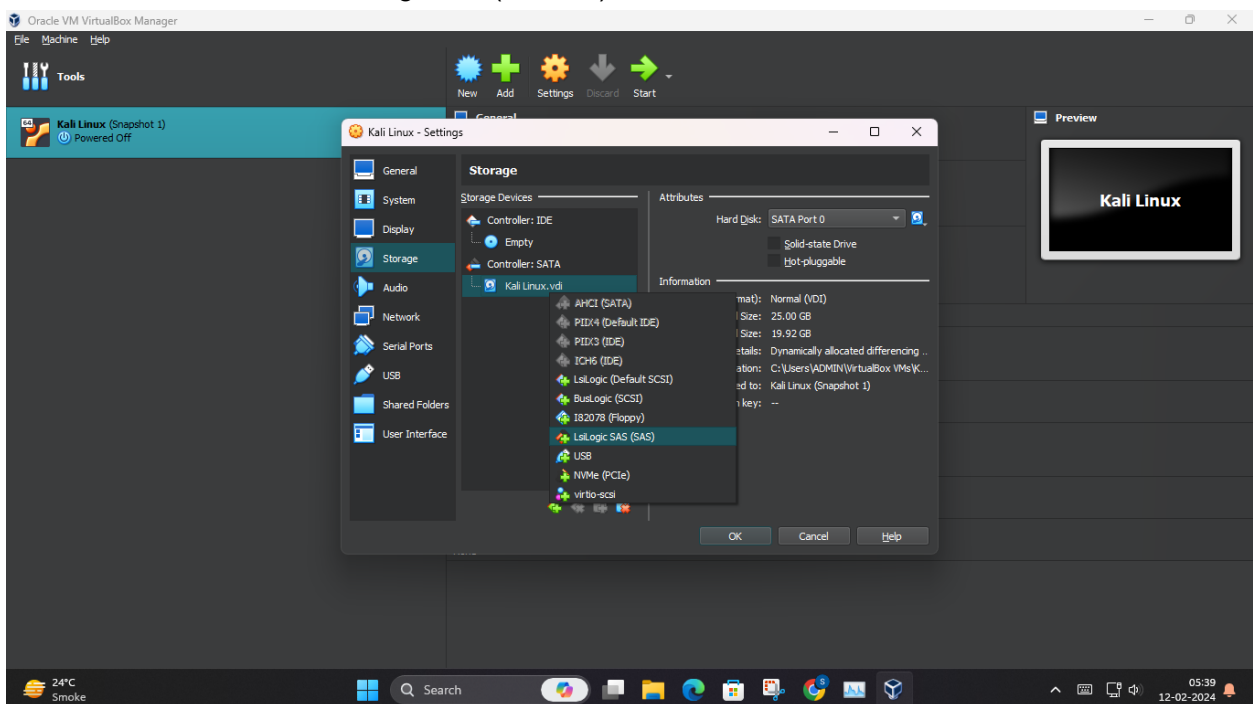
### 5. Documentation and Reporting:

Document all steps, commands used, and any findings during the experiment.

Generate a detailed report summarizing the entire process and any forensic artifacts discovered

## STEPS:

Download the .vmdk file if using vbox (or a vdi)



When the machine is off, go to storage settings

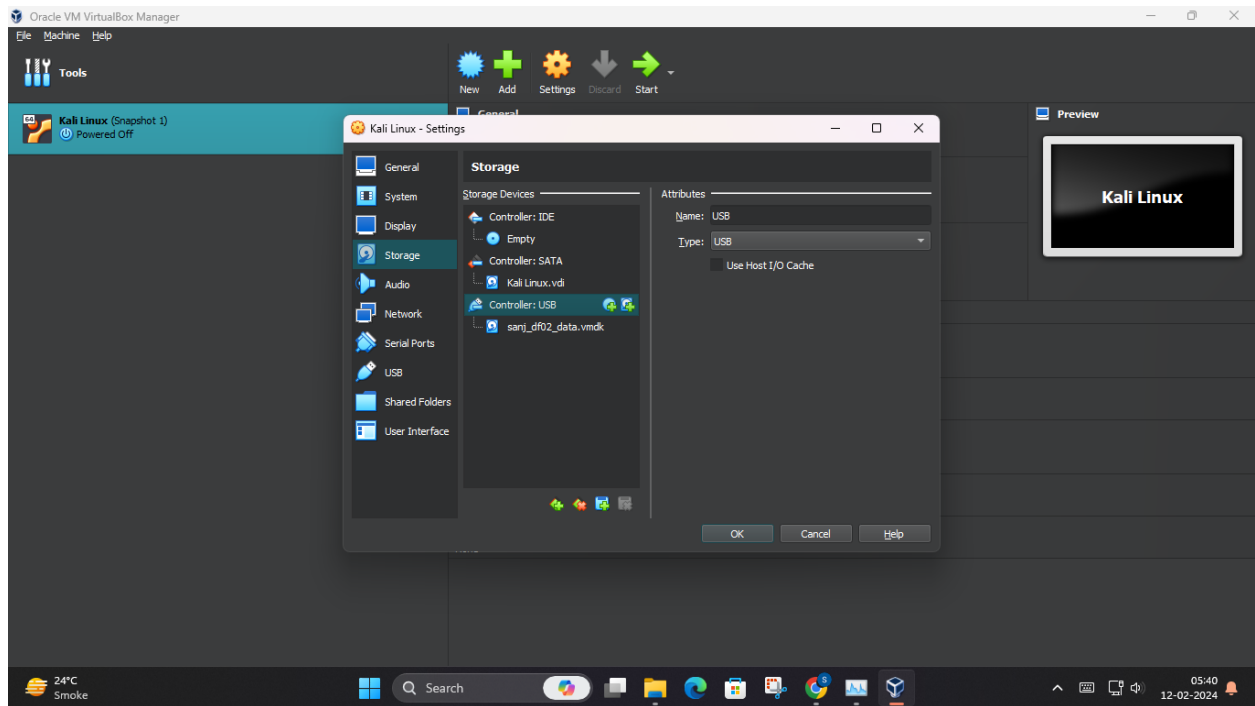
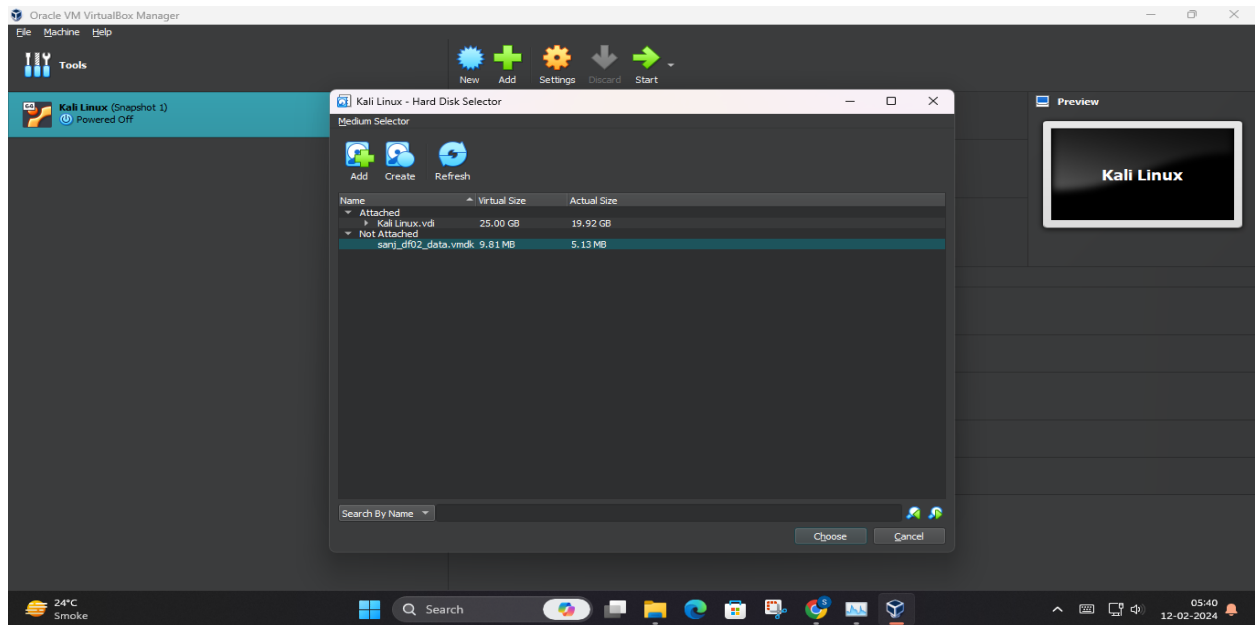


click on USB, Click on the add hard

drive btn, select hard disk. and add storage:



Add a storage (You can also create one), Choose it.



(if these options are disabled, probably your machine state has been saved. Discard it and retry)  
Start the machine and open terminal:

Cmds:

(if not using root user, put sudo in front of the cmds, student123 pswd: student)

1. **fdisk -l**

Tells you what hard drives are attached to your computer

```
student123@kali: ~  
$ sudo fdisk -l  
[sudo] password for student123:  
Disk /dev/sda: 25 GiB, 26843545600 bytes, 52428800 sectors  
Disk model: VBox HARDDISK  
Units: sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes  
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes  
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes  
Disklabel type: dos  
Disk identifier: 0x50afd39a  
  
Device Boot Start End Sectors Size Id Type  
/dev/sda1 * 2048 50427903 50425856 24G 83 Linux  
/dev/sda2 50429950 52426751 1996802 975M f W95 Ext'd (LBA)  
/dev/sda5 50429952 52426751 1996800 975M 82 Linux swap / Solaris  
  
Disk /dev/sdb: 9.81 MiB, 10289152 bytes, 20096 sectors  
Disk model: HARDDISK  
Units: sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes  
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes  
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes  
Disklabel type: dos  
Disk identifier: 0x69205244  
  
Device Boot Start End Sectors Size Id Type  
/dev/sdb1 218129509 1920119918 1701990410 811.6G 72 unknown  
/dev/sdb2 729050177 1273024900 543974724 259.4G 74 unknown  
/dev/sdb3 168653938 168653938 0 0B 65 Novell Netware 386  
/dev/sdb4 2692939776 2692991410 51635 25.2M 0 Empty  
  
Partition table entries are not in disk order.
```

## 2. dd if=/dev/sdb of=EvidenceDD

Create a copy of the file using the dd command

```
(student123@kali)-[~]  
$ sudo dd if=/dev/sdb of=EvidenceDD  
20096+0 records in  
20096+0 records out  
10289152 bytes (10 MB, 9.8 MiB) copied, 1.58708 s, 6.5 MB/s
```

3. dd if=/dev/sdb | md5sum
4. dd if=/dev/sdb of=EvidenceDD  
md5sum EvidenceDD
5. sudo apt install dcfldd  
dcfldd if=/dev/sdb of=EvidenceDCFLDD

```
(student123@kali)-[~]  
$ sudo apt-get install dcfldd  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree... Done  
Reading state information... Done  
The following NEW packages will be installed:  
dcfldd  
0 upgraded, 1 newly installed, 0 to remove and 1077 not upgraded.  
Need to get 44.6 kB of archives.  
After this operation, 117 kB of additional disk space will be used.  
Get:1 http://kali.download/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 dcfldd amd64 1.9.1-1 [44.6 kB]  
Fetched 44.6 kB in 1s (58.6 kB/s)  
Selecting previously unselected package dcfldd.  
(Reading database ... 506072 files and directories currently installed.)  
Preparing to unpack .../dcfldd_1.9.1-1_amd64.deb ...  
Unpacking dcfldd (1.9.1-1) ...  
Setting up dcfldd (1.9.1-1) ...  
Processing triggers for man-db (2.12.0-1) ...  
Processing triggers for kali-menu (2023.4.6) ...  
  
(student123@kali)-[~]  
$ sudo dcfldd if=/dev/sdb of=EvidenceDCFLDD  
256 blocks (8Mb) written.  
314+0 records in  
314+0 records out
```

```
(student123@kali)-[~]
$ sudo dcflddd if=/dev/sdb of=EvidenceDCFLDD
256 blocks (8Mb) written.
314+0 records in
314+0 records out
```

```
(student123@kali)-[~]
$ wget https://www.atlassian.com/software/confluence/downloads/binary/atlassian-confluence-6.15.4-x64.bin
--2024-02-11 19:32:22-- https://www.atlassian.com/software/confluence/downloads/binary/atlassian-confluence-6.15.4-x64.bin
Resolving www.atlassian.com (www.atlassian.com)... 18.239.111.90, 18.239.111.118, 18.239.111.12, ...
Connecting to www.atlassian.com (www.atlassian.com)|18.239.111.90|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 301 Moved Permanently
Location: https://product-downloads.atlassian.com/software/confluence/downloads/atlassian-confluence-6.15.4-x64.bin [following]
--2024-02-11 19:32:22-- https://product-downloads.atlassian.com/software/confluence/downloads/atlassian-confluence-6.15.4-x64.bin
Resolving product-downloads.atlassian.com (product-downloads.atlassian.com)... 108.159.71.159, 2600:9000:238c:3600:1f:ab86:b4a:17e1, 2600:9000:238c:dc00:1f:ab86:b4a:17e1, ...
Connecting to product-downloads.atlassian.com (product-downloads.atlassian.com)|108.159.71.159|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 620694403 (592M) [application/octet-stream]
Saving to: 'atlassian-confluence-6.15.4-x64.bin'

atlassian-confluence-6.15.4-x64.bin 100%[=====] 591.94M 10.9MB/s in 56s
2024-02-11 19:33:19 (10.6 MB/s) - 'atlassian-confluence-6.15.4-x64.bin' saved [620694403/620694403]
```

6. **sudo apt update**
- sudo apt install foremost**
- foremost -v -t all -i EvidenceDD -o /root/Desktop/RecoveredData**

```
(student123@kali)-[~]
$ sudo apt install foremost
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  foremost
0 upgraded, 1 newly installed, 0 to remove and 1077 not upgraded.
Need to get 42.5 kB of archives.
After this operation, 104 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Get:1 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 foremost amd64 1.5.7-11+b2 [42.5 kB]
Fetched 42.5 kB in 1s (69.8 kB/s)
Selecting previously unselected package foremost.
(Reading database ... 506084 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack .../foremost_1.5.7-11+b2_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking foremost (1.5.7-11+b2) ...
Setting up foremost (1.5.7-11+b2) ...
Processing triggers for man-db (2.12.0-1) ...
Processing triggers for kali-menu (2023.4.6) ...
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```
(student123@kali)-[~]
$ sudo foremost -v -t all -i EvidenceDD -o /root/Desktop/RecoveredData
Foremost version 1.5.7 by Jesse Kornblum, Kris Kendall, and Nick Mikus
Audit File

Foremost started at Sun Feb 11 19:36:20 2024
Invocation: foremost -v -t all -i EvidenceDD -o /root/Desktop/RecoveredData
Output directory: /root/Desktop
Configuration file: /etc/foremost.conf
Processing: EvidenceDD
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File: EvidenceDD
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File: EvidenceDD
Start: Sun Feb 11 19:36:20 2024
Length: 9 MB (10289152 bytes)

Num      Name (bs=512)      Size      File Offset      Comment
0:        00000530.jpg      267 KB      271360
1:        00001066.jpg      319 KB      545792
2:        00001705.jpg      171 KB      872960
3:        00006688.jpg       1 MB      3424256
4:        00010056.jpg       25 KB      5148672
5:        00012044.jpg      264 KB      6166564
6:        00012583.jpg      107 KB      6442825
7:        00012574.ole       3 MB      6437888
8:        00012876.ole       3 KB      6592512
foundat=file8.jpgUX

9:        00010810.zip      327 KB      5534720
foundat=file9.jpgUX

10:       00011466.zip      287 KB      5870592
*|
Finish: Sun Feb 11 19:36:20 2024

11 FILES EXTRACTED

jpg:= 7
ole:= 2
zip:= 2
-----
Extract finished at Sun Feb 11 19:36:20 2024

```

## 7. Nano /etc/foremost.conf

Uncomment some file types in the configuration file for those files to be recovered by foremost (you can just find where word doc is written and uncomment it. )

```

GNU nano 7.2 /etc/scalpel/scalpel.conf *
#
#-----
# MICROSOFT OFFICE
#-----
#
# Word documents
#
#
#      doc      y      10000000 \xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1\xa1\xe1\x00\x00 \xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1\xa1\xe1\x00\x00
#      doc      y      10000000 \xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1
#
# Outlook files
#      pst      y      500000000 \x21\x42\x4e\xa5\x6f\xb5\xa6
#      ost      y      500000000 \x21\x42\x44\x4e
#
# Outlook Express
#      dbx      y      10000000 \xcf\xad\x12\xfe\x5\xfd\x74\x6f
#      idx      y      10000000 \x4a\x4d\x46\x39
#      mbx      y      10000000 \x4a\x4d\x46\x36
#
#-----
# WORDPERFECT
#-----
#
#      wpc      y      1000000 ?WPC
#
#-----
# HTML
#
#-----
^G Help      ^O Write Out  ^W Where Is   ^K Cut        ^T Execute    ^C Location   M-U Undo      M-A
^X Exit      ^R Read File  ^_ Replace    ^U Paste      ^J Justify    ^_ Go To Line M-E Redo      M-6

```

## 8. Recovery using Scalpel

`sudo scalpel EvidenceDD -o /root/Desktop/RecoverScalpel_sanj`

```

(student123@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo scalpel EvidenceDD -o /root/Desktop/RecoverScalpel_sanj
Scalpel version 1.60
Written by Golden G. Richard III, based on Foremost 0.69.

Opening target "/home/student123/EvidenceDD" "the quieter you become, the more you are able to hear"

Image file pass 1/2.
EvidenceDD: 100.0% |*****| 9.8 MB 00:00 ETA
Allocating work queues...
Work queues allocation complete. Building carve lists...
Carve lists built. Workload:
doc with header "\xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1\xa1\xe1\x00\x00" and footer "\xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1\xa1\xe1\x00\x00" --> 2 files
doc with header "\xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1" and footer "" --> 2 files
Carving files from image.
Image file pass 2/2.
EvidenceDD: 100.0% |*****| 9.8 MB 00:00 ETA

Opening target "/home/student123/EvidenceDD"

Image file pass 1/2.
EvidenceDD: 100.0% |*****| 9.8 MB 00:00 ETA
Allocating work queues...
Work queues allocation complete. Building carve lists...
Carve lists built. Workload:
doc with header "\xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1\xa1\xe1\x00\x00" and footer "\xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1\xa1\xe1\x00\x00" --> 2 files
doc with header "\xd0\xcf\x11\xe0\xa1\xb1" and footer "" --> 2 files
Carving files from image.
Image file pass 2/2.
EvidenceDD: 100.0% |*****| 9.8 MB 00:00 ETA
Processing of image file complete. Cleaning up...
Done.
Scalpel is done, files carved = 4, elapsed = 0 seconds.

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**Is** to see the folder contents.

## CONCLUSION:

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