

Recovering Deleted and Damaged Files (4e)

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5 hours, 43 minutes

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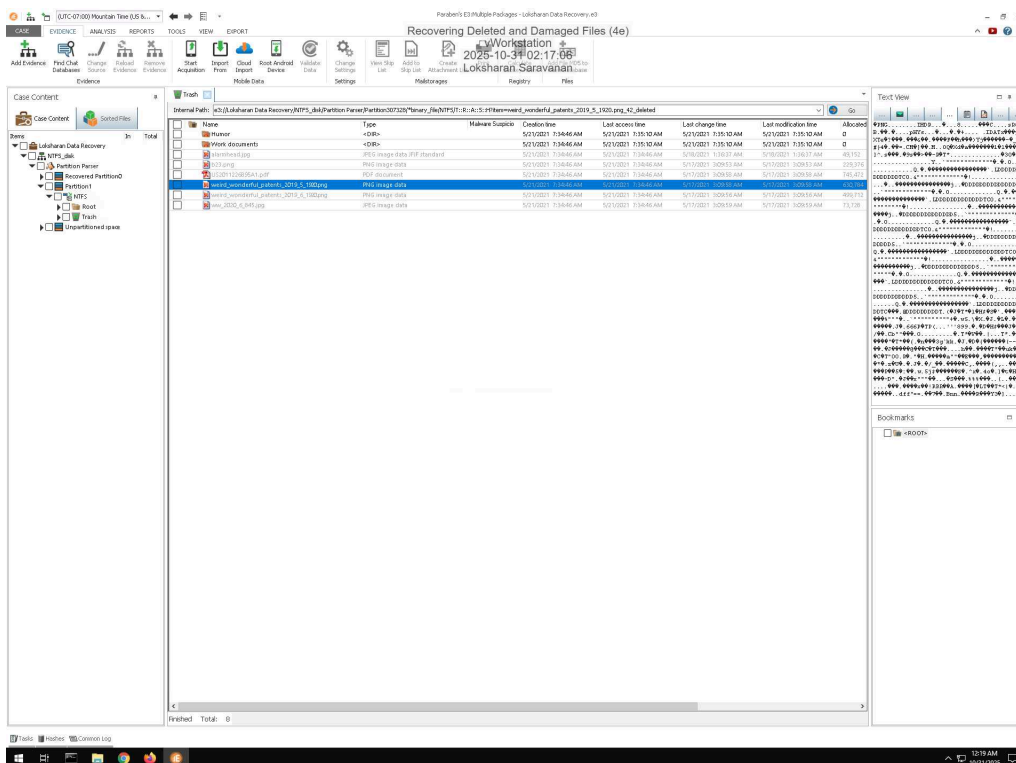
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Section 1: Hands-On Demonstration

Part 1: Recover Deleted Files from an NTFS Drive Image with E3

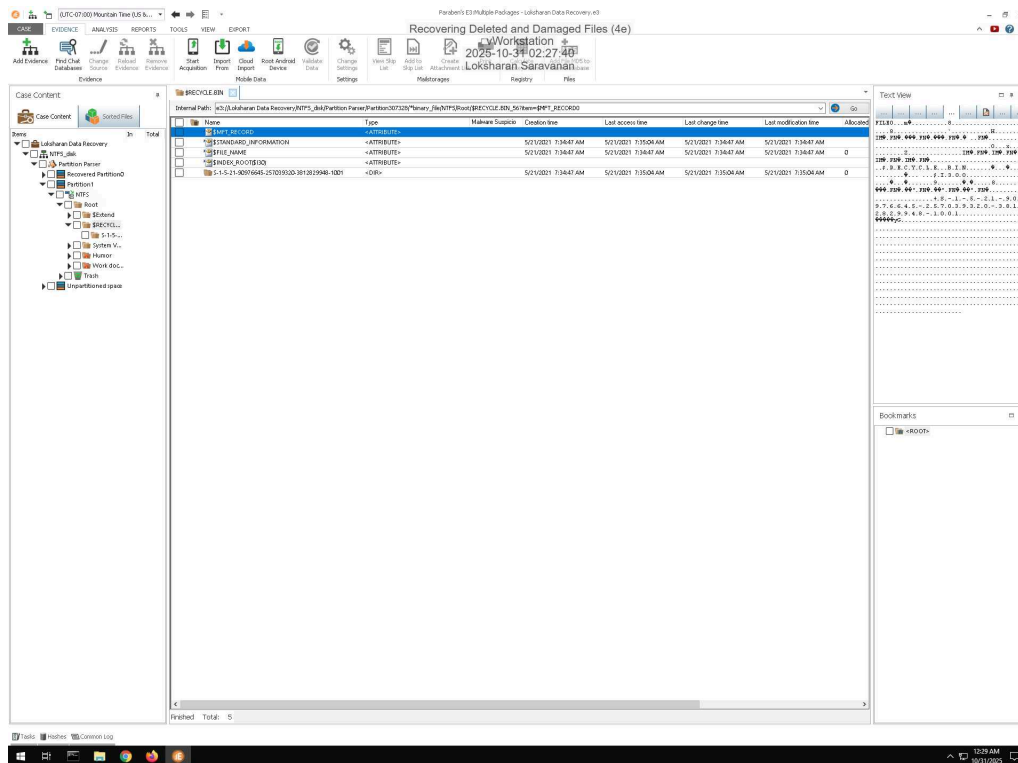
13. Make a screen capture showing the list of recovered files and folders in the E3 Trash folder.



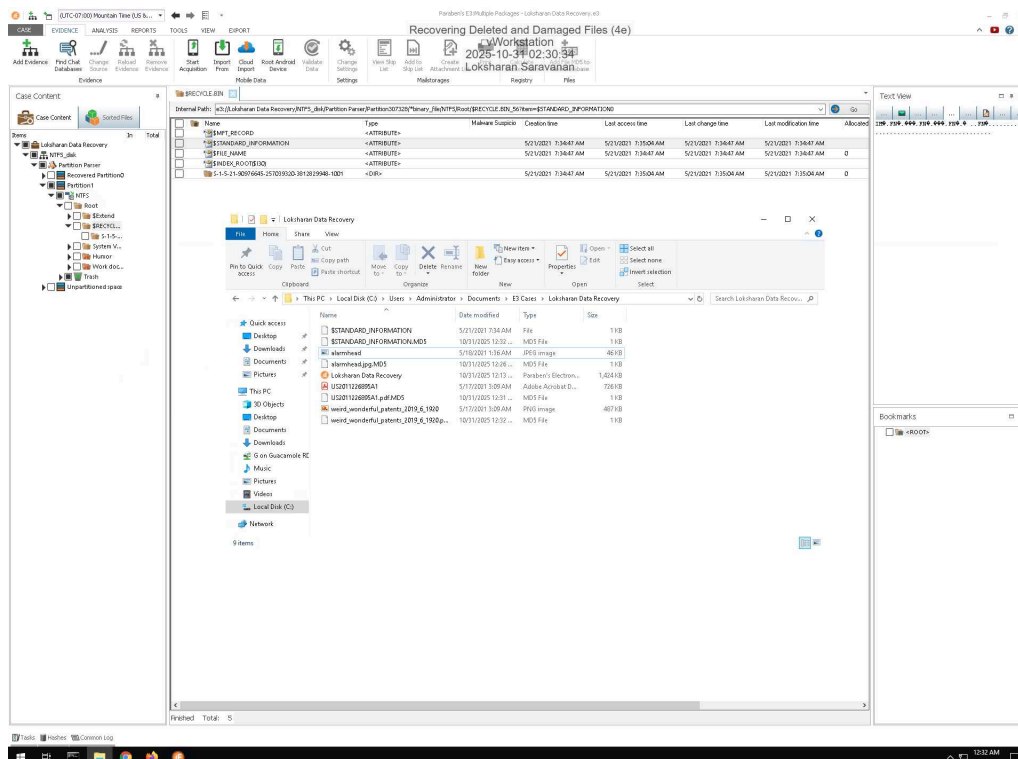
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20. Make a screen capture showing the patent file in the File Viewer.

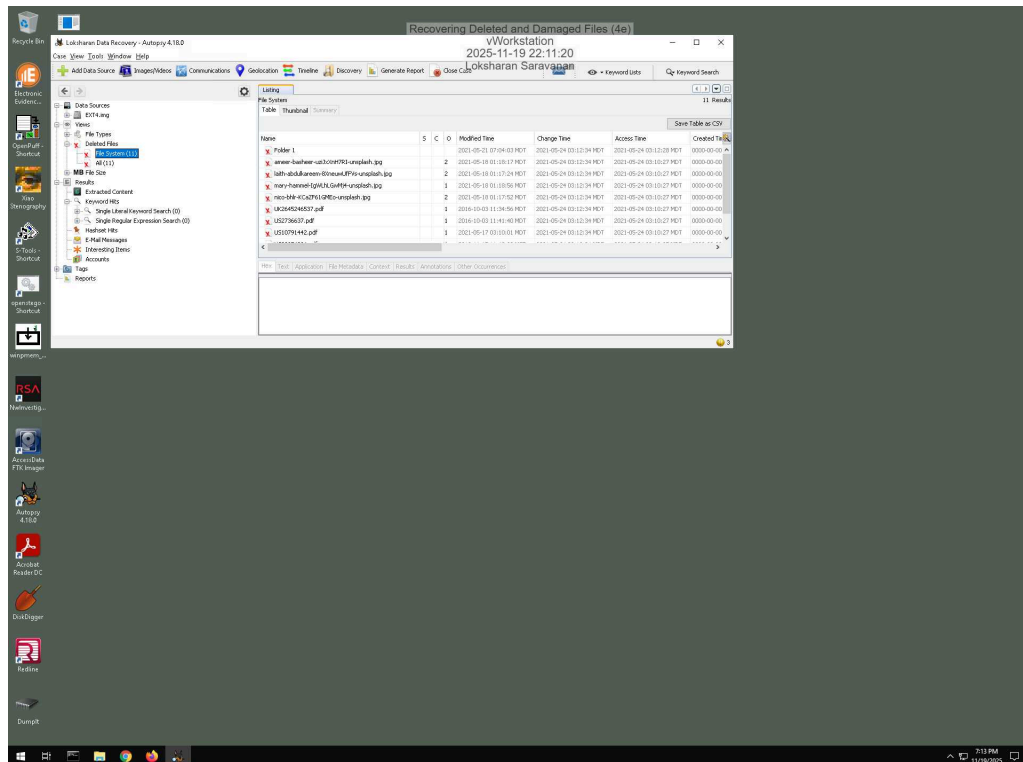


25. Make a screen capture showing the recovered files in the File Explorer.

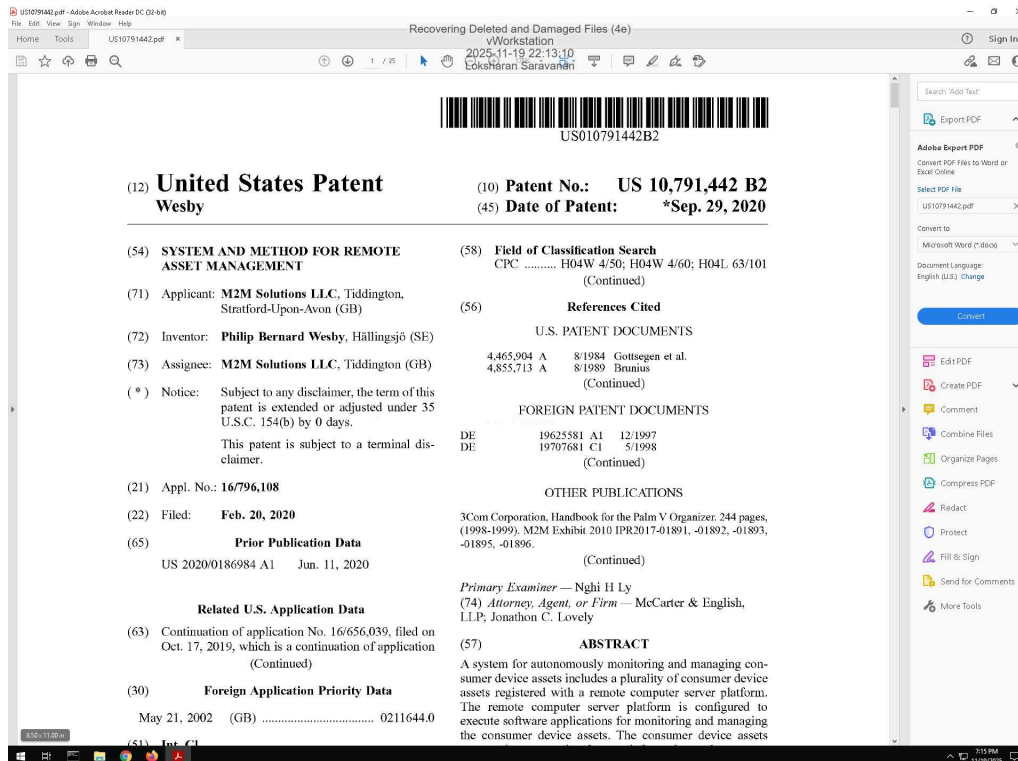


Part 2: Recover Deleted Files from an Ext4 Drive Image with Autopsy

14. Make a screen capture showing the contents of the list of deleted files in Autopsy.



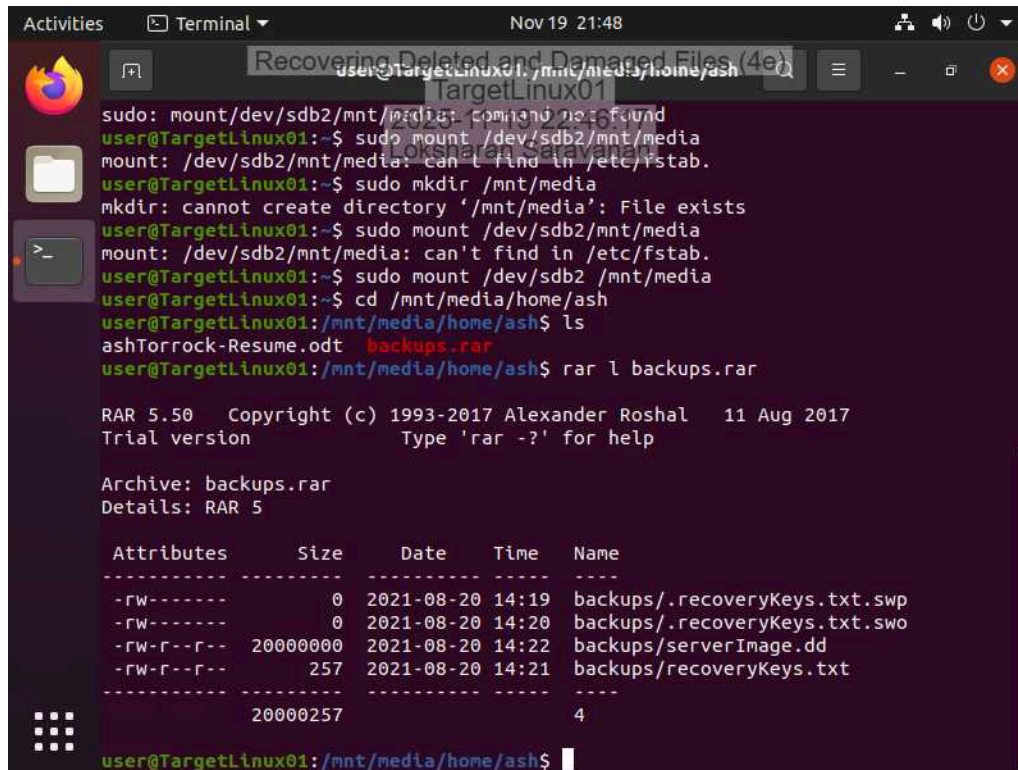
22. Make a screen capture showing the recovered patent file.



Section 2: Applied Learning

Part 1: Recover Deleted Files in Linux with PhotoRec

9. Make a screen capture showing the contents of the RAR archive in the /mnt/media/home/ash directory.



```
user@TargetLinux01: /mnt/media/home/ash$
sudo: mount/dev/sdb2/mnt/media: command not found
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo mount /dev/sdb2/mnt/media
mount: /dev/sdb2/mnt/media: can't find in /etc/fstab.
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo mkdir /mnt/media
mkdir: cannot create directory '/mnt/media': File exists
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo mount /dev/sdb2/mnt/media
mount: /dev/sdb2/mnt/media: can't find in /etc/fstab.
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo mount /dev/sdb2 /mnt/media
user@TargetLinux01:~$ cd /mnt/media/home/ash
user@TargetLinux01:/mnt/media/home/ash$ ls
ashTorrock-Resume.odt  backups.rar
user@TargetLinux01:/mnt/media/home/ash$ rar l backups.rar

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Trial version Type 'rar -?' for help

Archive: backups.rar
Details: RAR 5

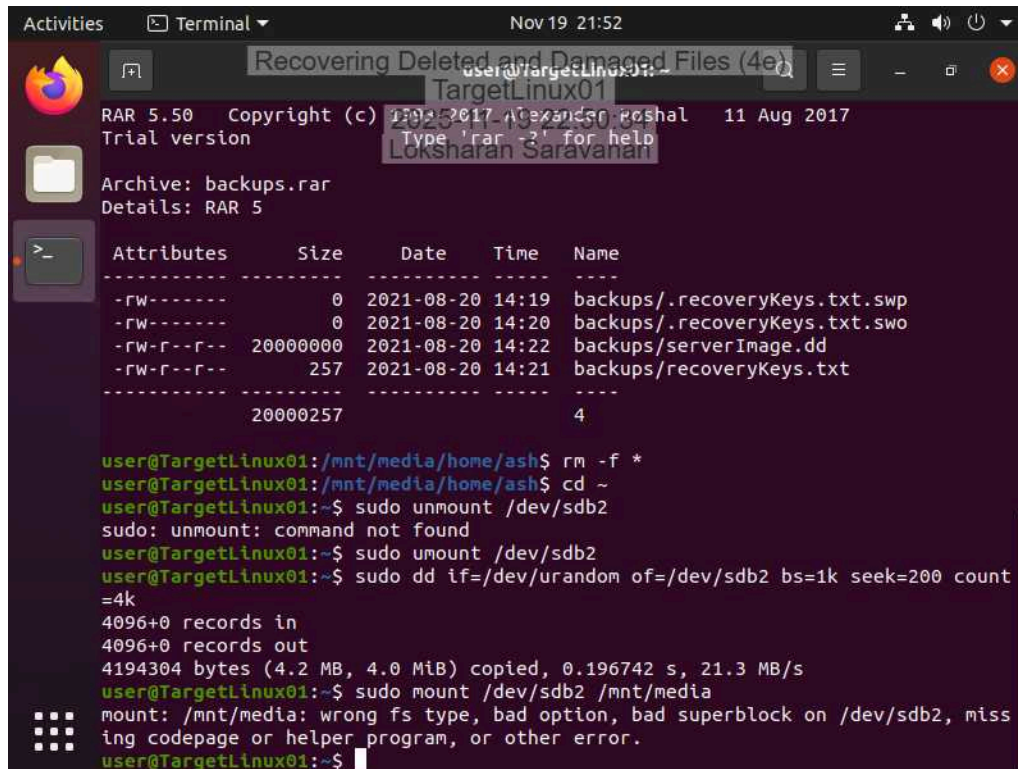
  Attributes      Size      Date      Time      Name
  -----
-rw-----         0  2021-08-20  14:19  backups/.recoveryKeys.txt.swp
-rw-----         0  2021-08-20  14:20  backups/.recoveryKeys.txt.swo
-rw-r--r-- 20000000  2021-08-20  14:22  backups/serverImage.dd
-rw-r--r--    257  2021-08-20  14:21  backups/recoveryKeys.txt
  -----
                20000257                      4

user@TargetLinux01:/mnt/media/home/ash$
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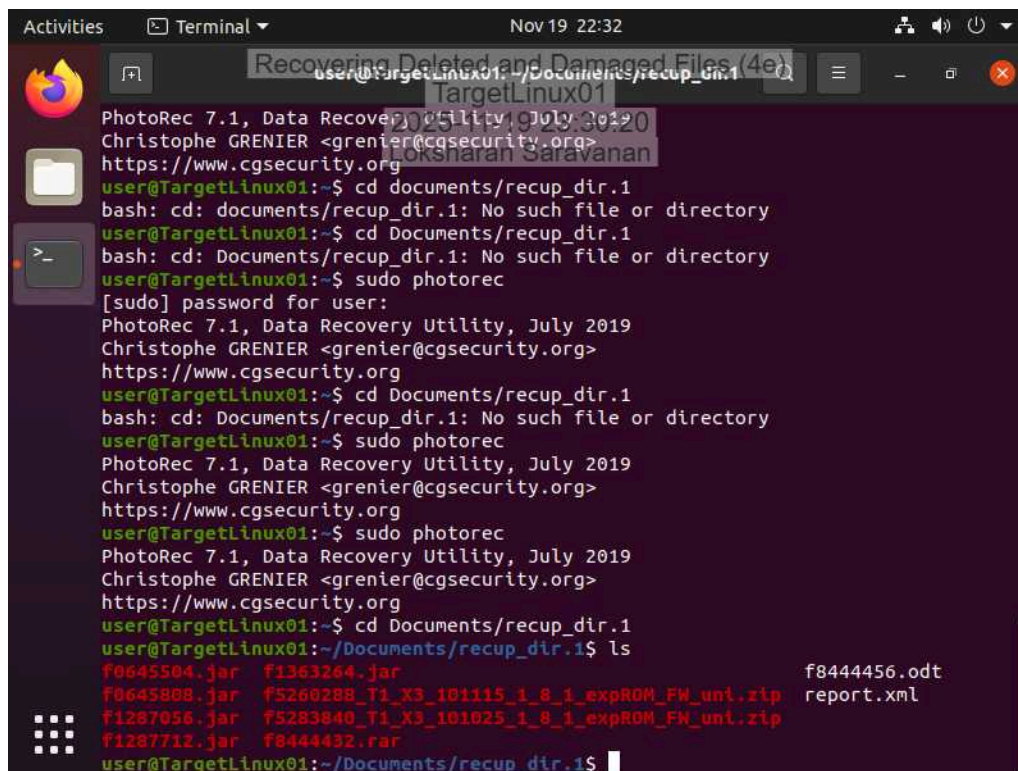
15. Make a screen capture showing the failed mount attempt on the /dev/sdb2 device.



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "Recovering Deleted and Damaged Files (4e)" with the user "user@TargetLinux01". The terminal displays the output of the RAR 5.50 application, showing the contents of the "backups.rar" archive. The archive contains four files: "backups/.recoveryKeys.txt.swp", "backups/.recoveryKeys.txt.swo", "backups/serverImage.dd", and "backups/recoveryKeys.txt". The user then attempts to unmount and remount the /dev/sdb2 device, but the mount fails with the error: "mount: /mnt/media: wrong fs type, bad option, bad superblock on /dev/sdb2, missing codepage or helper program, or other error."

```
user@TargetLinux01:~$ rm -f *
user@TargetLinux01:~$ cd ~
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo umount /dev/sdb2
sudo: umount: command not found
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo mount /dev/sdb2
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo dd if=/dev/urandom of=/dev/sdb2 bs=1k seek=200 count=4k
4096+0 records in
4096+0 records out
4194304 bytes (4.2 MB, 4.0 MiB) copied, 0.196742 s, 21.3 MB/s
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo mount /dev/sdb2 /mnt/media
mount: /mnt/media: wrong fs type, bad option, bad superblock on /dev/sdb2, missing codepage or helper program, or other error.
user@TargetLinux01:~$
```

32. Make a screen capture showing the compressed files recovered by PhotoRec.



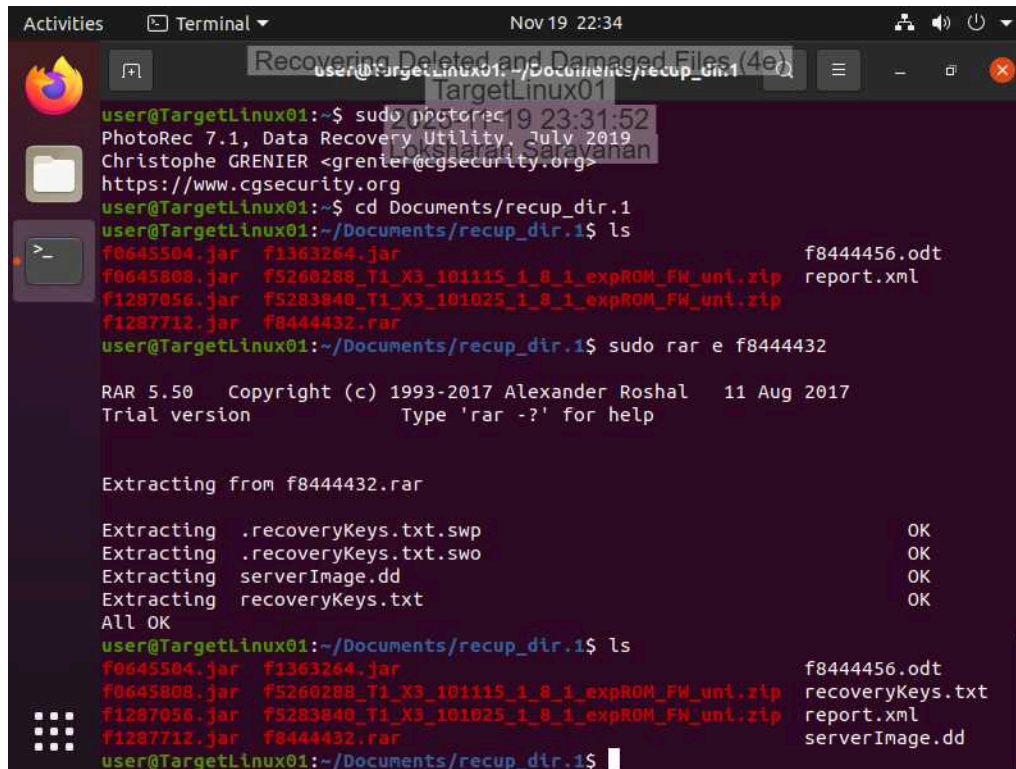
The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "Recovering Deleted and Damaged Files (4e)" with the user "user@TargetLinux01". The terminal displays the output of the PhotoRec 7.1 application, showing the recovery of files from the /dev/sdb2 device. The user runs "sudo photorec" and the application prompts for a password. The output shows the recovery of several files, including "f0645504.jar", "f0645808.jar", "f1287056.jar", "f1287712.jar", "f1363264.jar", "f5260288_T1_X3_101115_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip", "f5283840_T1_X3_101025_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip", "f8444456.odt", and "report.xml".

```
user@TargetLinux01:~$ cd documents/recup_dir.1
bash: cd: documents/recup_dir.1: No such file or directory
user@TargetLinux01:~$ cd Documents/recup_dir.1
bash: cd: Documents/recup_dir.1: No such file or directory
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo photorec
[sudo] password for user:
PhotoRec 7.1, Data Recovery Utility, July 2019
Christophe GRENIER <grenier@cgsecurity.org>
https://www.cgsecurity.org
user@TargetLinux01:~$ cd Documents/recup_dir.1
bash: cd: Documents/recup_dir.1: No such file or directory
user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo photorec
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user@TargetLinux01:~$ sudo photorec
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Christophe GRENIER <grenier@cgsecurity.org>
https://www.cgsecurity.org
user@TargetLinux01:~$ cd Documents/recup_dir.1
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$ ls
f0645504.jar  f1363264.jar  f8444456.odt
f0645808.jar  f5260288_T1_X3_101115_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip  report.xml
f1287056.jar  f5283840_T1_X3_101025_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip
f1287712.jar  f0444432.rar
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$
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35. Make a screen capture showing the backup files recovered from the RAR archive.



```
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$ sudo photorec
PhotoRec 7.1, Data Recovery Utility, July 2019
Christophe GRENIER <grenier@cgsecurity.org>
https://www.cgsecurity.org
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$ cd Documents/recup_dir.1
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$ ls
f0645504.jar  f1363264.jar  f8444456.odt
f0645808.jar  f5260288_T1_X3_101115_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip  report.xml
f1287056.jar  f5283840_T1_X3_101025_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip
f1287712.jar  f8444432.rar
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$ sudo rar e f8444432

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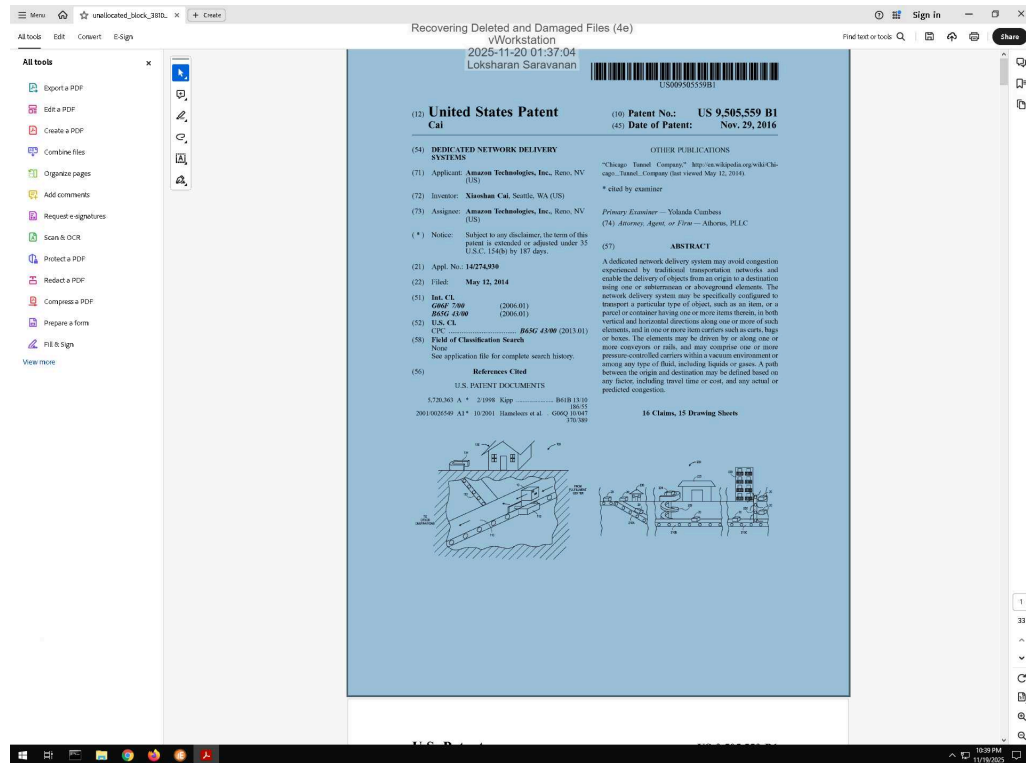
Extracting from f8444432.rar

Extracting .recoveryKeys.txt.swp OK
Extracting .recoveryKeys.txt.swo OK
Extracting serverImage.dd OK
Extracting recoveryKeys.txt OK
All OK
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$ ls
f0645504.jar  f1363264.jar  f8444456.odt
f0645808.jar  f5260288_T1_X3_101115_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip  recoveryKeys.txt
f1287056.jar  f5283840_T1_X3_101025_1_8_1_expROM_FW_unl.zip  report.xml
f1287712.jar  f8444432.rar  serverImage.dd
user@TargetLinux01:~/Documents/recup_dir.1$
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Section 3: Challenge and Analysis

Part 1: Recover Deleted Files from a FAT Drive Image

Make a screen capture showing the patent file recovered from the FAT32 drive image within E3.



Part 2: Recover Deleted Files from a APFS Drive Image

Make a screen capture showing the patent file recovered from the APFS drive image within Autopsy.

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Listing

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14 Results

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modernar00solo.pdf			2	2021-05-19 00:00:19 MDT	2021-05-24 04:09:20 MDT

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(54) Abstract Title
Number Plate Providing Information About The Vehicle Driver

(57) Two-sided different background colours on either side, reversible number plates 1 are a standardised, easy-to-change symbol on the exterior of a motor vehicle 2, which display the sex or other information concerning the driver. The plate is attached to the vehicle with 'quick-releaser', positive-lock clips 3, to enable the quick reversing of the plate when a driver of the opposite sex takes over, while ensuring secure attachment to the vehicle body to minimise risk of accidental detachment. This symbol makes the sex of drivers immediately apparent to other road users and will accordingly change the way they behave with each another: road users will improve their manners, become more polite, predict better the behaviour of other drivers, and thus reduce the frequency and severity of traffic accidents. Background colour can also be altered from within the vehicle using electro-luminescent liquid crystal or electro-reflective panels.

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