

Coursework 1 - Disk Acquisition & File System Analyst

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## 1-Drive Imaging

## A) Drive imaging steps

-I did the following steps to ensure that the e image was acquired correctly and follows best practice:

- I powered up the write blocker & connected it into my machine.
- I connected the evidence diver into the write blocker.



Figure 1.1: write blocker setup.

• In the FTK Imager software I selected the source type to be physical Drive as it shows in Figure 1 below

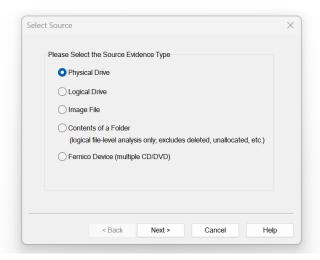


Figure 1.1: Select the evidence source as physical drive.

• In the FTK Imager software I make sure that I selected the correct source USB drive inserted in my write blocker

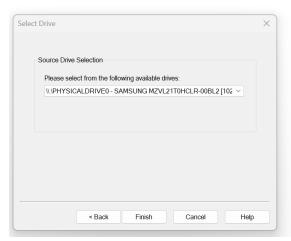


Figure 1.1: Selecting the correct USB drive.

• I make sure that I selected the correct Image type which is set as "Raw".

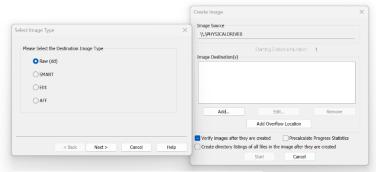


Figure 1.1: Selecting the Destination Image type.

• important step to do was filling the Evidence item information filed.

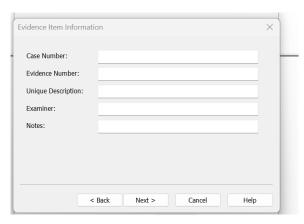


Figure 1.1: Evidence Item information.

• The last step in creating the image was selecting the destination folder & set the image fragment to 0 because I don't want to separate the image file into multiple images.

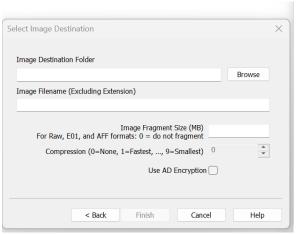


Figure 1.1: Selecting the image destination.

### B) Acquisition Form

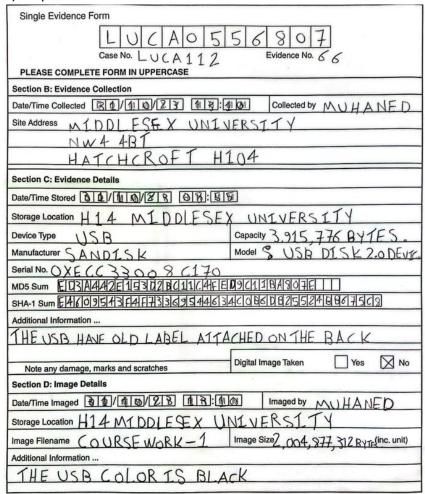


Figure 1.2: Acquisition Form.

## C) Image verification

[Computed Hashes]

MD5 checksum: ed3a442e153d2bc11c4fed9c11ba807e

SHA1 checksum: e4609543f4f73369544634c0b6db25524bb675c8

Image Information:

Acquisition started: Tue Oct 31 13:08:55 2023 Acquisition finished: Tue Oct 31 13:10:20 2023

Segment list:

C:\Users\mn982\Desktop\Coursework-1.001

Image Verification Results:

Verification started: Tue Oct 31 13:10:20 2023 Verification finished: Tue Oct 31 13:10:26 2023

MD5 checksum: ed3a442e153d2bc11c4fed9c11ba807e : verified

SHA1 checksum: e4609543f4f73369544634c0b6db25524bb675c8 : verified

Figure 1.3: drive/Imaging Verify result.

• MD5 (Message Digest) checksum:

ed3a442e153d2bc11c4fed9c11ba807e (verified)

- SHA1 (Secure Hash Algorithm) checksum: e4609543f4f73369544634c0b6db25524bb675c8 (verified)
- The verification process started on October 31, 2023, at 13:10:20 and finished at 13:10:26, indicating a relatively quick and successful verification. The image was acquired from the path "C:\Users\mn982\Desktop\Coursework-1.001" starting on October 31, 2023, at 13:08:55 and finishing at 13:10:20.

## D) Why Imaging Is Important:

Imaging plays a pivotal role in digital incident site investigations for several compelling reasons. First and foremost, it facilitates meticulous documentation of the digital environment, capturing configurations, files, and systems at the time of the incident. This comprehensive record serves critical legal and analytical purposes, ensuring that investigators have a detailed account of the scene [1],[2]. Moreover, imaging is instrumental in preserving digital evidence by taking snapshots of the digital scene. This not only keeps the evidence intact but also provides investigators with a consistent reference point for analysis, bolstering its legitimacy in court [3].

In the realm of digital forensics, imaging proves indispensable for analysing and reconstructing events. By offering investigators a rich dataset, imaging aids in tracking actions, comprehending the incident's timeframe, and reconstructing the sequence of events. This analytical depth is crucial for a thorough investigation [1]. Additionally, proper imaging establishes a clear chain of custody for digital evidence. This chain of custody is vital for preserving the credibility and admissibility of evidence in court, demonstrating that the evidence remained unaltered throughout the inquiry [3].

The significance of imaging extends to remote investigations, where the incident scene may be geographically distant. Investigators can remotely gather and examine digital evidence through imaging, enhancing the efficiency and speed of incident response [1],[2]. Lastly, imaging techniques are invaluable for data recovery, allowing investigators to retrieve deleted or concealed data essential to the inquiry. This capability is crucial for detecting malicious activity and gaining a comprehensive understanding of the entire event [1].

## 2-Master Boot Record

A) Location of MBR & number of partitions stored on the device.

#### Location of MBR:

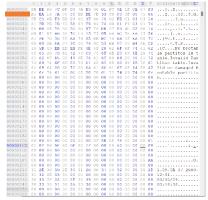


Figure 2.1: Location of MBR.

- MPR will have Ascii conversion, Start and end of Partition table as the above.
- Byte 446 / Byte 0x 1BE is the start of partition table.

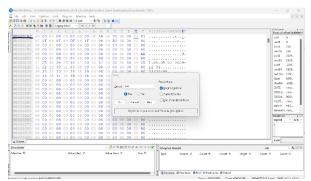


Figure 2.1: Location of MBR

## Number of partitions stored on the device:

- There is 1 partition stored in the device which is the 1<sup>st</sup> partition.
- MBR 1st Partition:

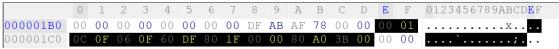


Figure 2.1: 1st Partition

## B) The size in bytes of the largest partition

## Partition Size:

• 1st Partition:

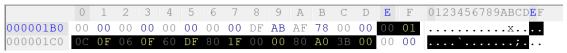


Figure 2.1: 1st Partition

- Bytes 12-15(Size in Sectors) = 0x 80 A0 3B 00
- Reverse endian = 0x 3B A0 80
- Convert to decimal = 3,907,712 bytes

```
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin> .\mmls.exe .\Coursework-1.001
DOS Partition Table
Offset Sector: 0
Units are in 512-byte sectors
      Slot
                Start
                                          Length
                                                       Description
                                                       Primary Table (#0)
000:
                000000000
                             0000000000
                                          0000000001
     Meta
                000000000
                             0000008063
                                          0000008064
                                                       Unallocated
001:
002:
     000:000
                             0003915775
                                          0003907712
                                                       DOS FAT16 (0x06)
```

Figure 2.2: 1st Partition Size.

C) The offset address for the start of largest partition.

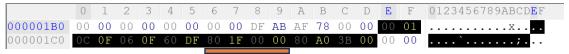


Figure 2.3:1st Partition.

The starting physical sector of the partition.

#### Calculation:

- Bytes 8-11(Starting of the LBA) = 0x 80 1F 00 00
- Reverse endian = 0x 1F 80
- Convert to decimal = 8,064 sectors start of file system

```
C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin>mmls Coursework-1.001
DOS Partition Table
Offset Sector: 0
Units are in 512-byte sectors
      Slot
                Start
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                                                        Description
000:
                000000000
                             000000000
                                           0000000001
      Meta
                                                        Primary Table (#0)
001:
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                             0000008063
                                          0000008064
                                                        Unallocated
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                0000008064
                             0003915775
                                          0003907712
                                                        DOS FAT16 (0x06)
002:
```

Figure 2.3: byte offset address.

The calculation of the byte offset address for start of file System:

- Starting LBA \* Bytes per sector
- 8,064 \* 512 = 4,128,768
- Convert to hex = 3F 0000 is where file system starts

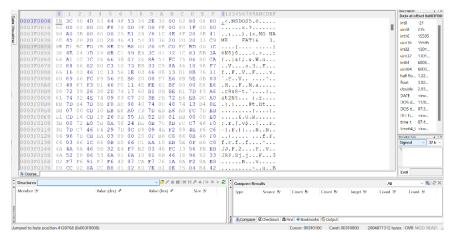


Figure 2.3: Starting Address of Partition (file system).

#### 3-Volume Boot Record

A) Determine the number of bytes per sector.

#### Calculation:

• Bytes 11-12(bytes per sector) = 0x 00 02

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF

003F0000 EB 3C 90 4D 53 44 4F 53 35 2E 30 00 02 80 08 00 .<.MSDOS5.0....

003F0010 02 00 02 00 00 F8 78 00 3F 00 FF 00 80 1F 00 00 ....x.?.....
```

Figure 3.1: Bytes 11-12 in hex workshop.

- Reverse endian 0x 02 00
- Convert to decimal = 512 bytes per sector

```
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin> .\mmls.exe .\Coursework-1.001

DOS Partition Table

Offset Sector: 0

Units are in 512-byte sectors
```

Figure 3.1: bytes per sector

B) Determine the number of sectors per cluster.

#### Calculation:

• Byte 13(Sector per cluster) = 0x 80

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF
003F0000 EB 3C 90 4D 53 44 4F 53 35 2E 30 00 02 80 08 00 .<.MSDOS5.0....

Figure 3.2: Byte 13
```

- Reverse endian not possible
- Convert to decimal = 128 Sectors per cluster.

Figure 3.2: 128 Sectors per cluster.

C) Determine the number of reserved sectors.

#### Calculation:

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF 003F0000 EB 3C 90 4D 53 44 4F 53 35 2E 30 00 02 80 08 00 .<.MSDOS5.0.... _

Figure 3.3: Bytes 14-15.
```

- Bytes 14-15(size in sectors of reserved area) = 0x 08 00
- Reverse endian 0x 00 08
- Convert to decimal = 8 reserved sectors

```
File System Type: FAT16

OEM Name: MSDOS5.0

Volume ID: 0x1c7828e1

Volume Label (Boot Sector): NO NAME

Volume Label (Root Directory): FAT_CW1

File System Type Label: FAT16

Sectors before file system: 8064

File System Layout (in sectors)

Total Range: 0 - 3907711

* Reserved: 0 - 7

** Boot Sector: 0

* FAT 0: 8 - 127

* FAT 1: 128 - 247

* Data Area: 248 - 3907711

** Root Directory: 248 - 279

** Cluster Area: 280 - 3907607

** Non-clustered: 3907608 - 3907711
```

Figure 3.3: Size of Reserved Area in fsstat.

D) Determine the number of FAT's.

- Bytes 16(Number of FAT) = 0x 02
  - Reverse endian not necessary
  - Convert to decimal = 2 FAT.

```
File System Layout (in sectors)
Total Range: 0 - 3907711

* Reserved: 0 - 7

** Boot Sector: 0

* FAT 0: 8 - 127

* FAT 1: 128 - 247

* vata Area: 248 - 3907711

** Root Directory: 248 - 279

** Cluster Area: 280 - 3907607

** Non-clustered: 3907608 - 3907711
```

Figure 3.4: the amount of FAT's in fsstat.

E) Determine the maximum number of entries allowed in the root directory.

```
        0
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        9
        A
        B
        C
        D
        E
        F
        0123456789ABCDEF

        003F0000
        EB
        3C
        90
        4D
        53
        44
        4F
        53
        35
        2E
        30
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        02
        80
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Figure 3.5: byte 17 and 18

- Bytes 17-18(MAX number of file in RD for fat 16) = 0x 00 02
- Reverse endian 0x 200
- Convert to decimal = 512 Bytes

Figure 3.5: Max number of entries allowed in the RD.

F) Determine the number of sectors per FAT.

#### Calculation

• Bytes 22-23(size in sector for each fat) = 0x 78 00

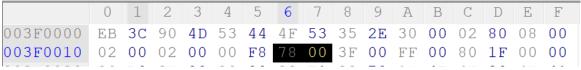


Figure 3.6: Bytes 22-23

- Reverse endian 0x 78
- Convert to decimal = 120 Sectors

#### Size of FAT area

- FAT area size = No. of FAT's \* Size of each FAT
  - 2 \* 120 = 240

```
File System Layout (in sectors)
Total Range: 0 - 3907711

* Reserved: 0 - 7

** Boot Sector: 0

* FAT 0: 8 - 127

* FAT 1: 128 - 247

* Data Area: 248 - 3907711

** Root Directory: 248 - 279

** Cluster Area: 280 - 3907607

** Non-clustered: 3907608 - 3907711
```

Figure 3.6: number of sectors per FAT.

#### **4-FAT Data Structures**

## A) FAT 1

## **FAT 1 Sector Address**

• Size of Reserved = Start of FAT 1

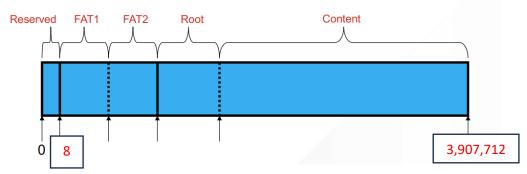


Figure 4.1: FAT 1 Sector Address

- No of reserved sectors \* bytes per sector 8 \* 512 = 4096 bytes
- Convert to hex = 0x 1000
- Adding the offset to partition
  - 0x 1000 + 0x 3F0000 = 0x 3F 1000

```
File System Layout (in sectors)
Total Range: 0 - 3907711

* Reserved: 0 - 7

** Boot Sector: 0

* FAI 0: 8 - 127

* Data Area: 248 - 3907711

** Root Directory: 248 - 279

** Cluster Area: 280 - 3907607

** Non-clustered: 3907608 - 3907711
```

Figure 4.1: Fat 1 Number of reserved

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	В	С	D	Е	F	0123456789ABCDEF
0 <u>03F1000</u>	F8	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	
003F1010	FF	FF	FF	FF	0B	00	0 C	00	FF	FF	ΟE	00	0 F	00	10	00	T
003F1020	11	00	12	00	13	00	14	00	15	00	16	00	17	00	18	00	
003F1030	19	00	1A	00	1B	00	1C	00	1D	00	1E	00	FF	FF	20	00	
003F1040	21	00	22	00	23	00	24	00	25	00	26	00	27	00	28	00	!.".#.\$.%.&.'.(.
003F1050	29	00	2A	00	2В	00	2C	00	2 D	00	2E	00	2 F	00	30	00	).*.+.,/.0.
003F1060	31	00	32	00	33	00	FF	FF	35	00	36	00	37	00	38	00	1.2.35.6.7.8.

Figure 4.1: FAT 1 location.

## B) FAT 2

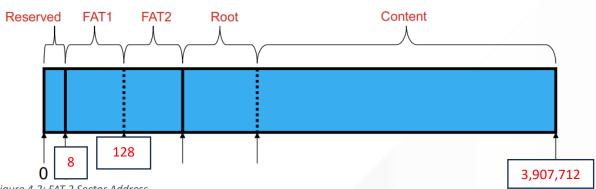


Figure 4.2: FAT 2 Sector Address.

- (No. of reserved sectors + Size of each FAT) \* BPS (8 + 120) \* 512 = 65536Convert to hex = 0x 10000
- Adding the offset to partition
  - 0x 10000 + 0x 3F0000 = 0x 40 0000

```
File System Layout (in sectors)
Total Range: 0 - 3907711
* Reserved: 0 - 7
 ** Boot Sector: 0
  FAT 0: 8 - 127
  FAT 1: 128 - 247
  Data Area: 248 - 3907711
** Root Directory: 248 - 279

** Cluster Area: 280 - 3907607

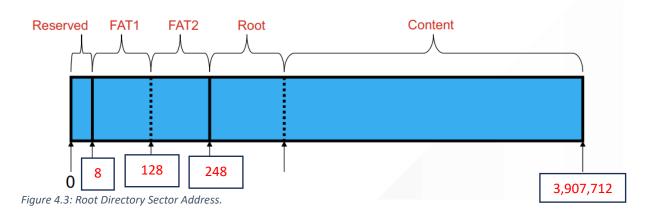
** Non-clustered: 3907608 - 3907711
```

Figure 4.2: FAT 2 Sector Address.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	В	С	D	Ε	F	0123456789ABCDEF
0040000	F8	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	<u>.</u>
00400010	FF	FF	FF	FF	0В	00	0 C	00	FF	FF	0E	00	0 F	00	10	00	I
00400020	11	00	12	00	13	00	14	00	15	00	16	00	17	00	18	00	
00400030	19	00	1A	00	1В	00	1C	00	1D	00	1E	00	FF	FF	20	00	
00400040	21	00	22	00	23	00	24	00	25	00	26	00	27	00	28	00	!.".#.\$.%.&.'.(.
00400050	29	00	2A	00	2В	00	2C	00	2 D	00	2E	00	2 F	00	30	00	).*.+.,/.0.
00400060	31	00	32	00	33	00	FF	FF	35	00	36	00	37	00	38	00	1.2.35.6.7.8.

Figure 4.2: FAT 2 location.

## C) Root Directory



- No of reserved sectors + (no. of FAT's \* Size of each FAT)
   8 + (2 \* 120) = 248 sectors
- For offset need to multiply by Bytes per Sector (BPS)
   248 \* 512 = 126976 bytes
   Convert to hex = 0x 1 F000
- Adding the offset to partition
  - 0x 1 F000 + 0x 3F0000 = 0x 40 F000

```
File System Layout (in sectors)
Total Range: 0 - 3907711

* Reserved: 0 - 7

** Boot Sector: 0

* FAT 0: 8 - 127

* FAT 1: 128 - 247

* Data Area: 248 - 3907711

** Root Directory: 248 - 279

** Cluster Area: 280 - 3907607

** Non-clustered: 3907608 - 3907711
```

Figure 4.3: Root Directory Sector Address.

Figure 4.3: Root Directory location.

## D) Cluster 2

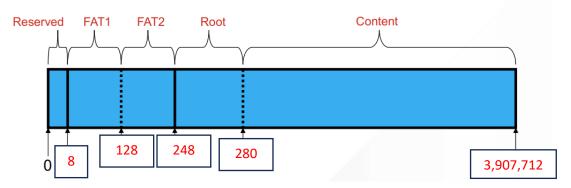


Figure 4.4: Cluster 2 Adress.

- Calculate size of root directory (RD):
   Size of RD = No. of RD entries \* size of each entry
   512 \* 32 = 16,384 bytes
- Converting to a sector value:
   Size of RD / Bytes Per Sector = No. of sectors in RD
   16384 / 512 = 32 sectors
- Adding to the sector address for the start of the RD: (Sector address of RD + size in sectors of RD) \* BPS (248 + 32) \* 512 = 143360
- Convert to decimal = 0x 2 3000
- Adding the offset to partition
   0x 2 3000+ 0x 3F0000 = 0x 41 3000

```
File System Layout (in sectors)
Total Range: 0 - 3907711
* Reserved: 0 - 7
** Boot Sector: 0
* FAT 0: 8 - 127
* FAT 1: 128 - 247
* Data Area: 248 - 3907711
** Root Directory: 248 - 279
** Cluster Area: 280 - 3907607
** Non-clustered: 3907608 - 3907711
```

Figure 4.4: Cluster 2 Sector Adress.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Α	В	С	D	E	F	0123456789ABCDEF
00413000	2E	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	10	00	22	0E	6 F	<u>.</u> ".0
00413010	62	46	62	46	00	00	0 F	6 F	62	46	02	00	00	00	00	00	bFbFobF
																	".0
																	bFbFobF
																	B0.0.2.0.2
00413050	6A	00	70	00	67	00	00	00	FF	FF	00	00	FF	FF	FF	FF	j.p.g

Figure 4.4: Cluster location.

### 5-Directory Entries

A) Select one directory entry that is an allocated file and larger than one cluster. Provide a screenshot of the hexadecimal output.

Identifying the file in the root directory:

- byte 11 (of each entry)
   Calculation:
  - •Byte 11 = 0x 20
  - Entry type = File

#### Hexadecimal output:

• 20<sup>th</sup> Entry.

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF

0040F220 49 4D 47 30 30 31 7E 32 4A 50 47 20 00 1E 0F 6F IMG001~2JPG ...o

0040F230 62 46 63 53 00 00 59 84 65 41 63 00 F2 D5 01 00 bFcs..Y.eAc....
```

Figure 5.1: 20th Entry.

Calculating the File size in Directory Entries:

- Bytes 28-31 = 0x F2 D5 01 00
- Reverse endian 0x 1 D5 F2
- Convert to decimal = 120,306 bytes

```
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin> .\istat.exe -0 8064 .\Coursework-1.001 20 Directory Entry: 20 Allocated File Attributes: File, Archive Size: 120306 Name: IMG001~2.JPG
```

Figure 5.1:20<sup>TH</sup> ENTRY shows as an Allocated file in istat verification.

Calculating the size of a cluster:

- sectors per cluster \* bytes per sector = size of cluster in bytes
- 128 \* 512 = 65536 bytes

Comparing the file size is greater than one cluster:

• 120,306 bytes > 65536 bytes

Calculating number of clusters required for the file:

- Size of file / Bytes per cluster
- 120,306 / 65536 = 1.846
- Rounding up to nearest integer = 2 Clusters

B) Filename of the entry

Calculating the filename of the entry:

• Bytes 0-10 = 0x 49 4D 47 30 30 31 7E 32 4A 50 47

#### ASCII table:

- 49= I, 4D=M, 47=G, 30=0, 30=0, 31=1, 7F=~, 32=2, 4A=J, 50=P,47=G
- Ascii Conversion = IMG001~2.JPG

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF

0040F220 49 4D 47 30 30 31 7E 32 4A 50 47 20 00 1E 0F 6F IMG001~2JPG ...o

0040F230 62 46 63 53 00 00 59 84 65 41 63 00 F2 D5 01 00 bFcs..Y.eAc....
```

Figure 5.2: 20th Entry

```
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin> .\istat.exe -o 8064 .\Coursework-1.001 20
Directory Entry: 20
Allocated
File Attributes: File, Archive
Size: 120306
Name: IMG001~2.JPG
```

Figure 5.2: Verification – istat shows the entry number along with the Allocated filename.

C) Date and time the file was created.

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF

0040F220 49 4D 47 30 30 31 7E 32 4A 50 47 20 00 1E 0F 6F IMG001~2JPG ...o

0040F230 62 46 63 53 00 00 59 84 65 41 63 00 F2 D5 01 00 bFcs..y.eAc....
```

Figure 5.3: 20th Entry

Calculating creation time for the file:

- Bytes 14-15 = 0x 0F 6F
- Reverse endian = 0x 6F 0F
- Binary = 0b 0110 1111 0000 1111

Splitting up to represent seconds, minutes, hours:

- Bits 0 4 = Second = 1111 = 15 \* 2 = 30
- Bits 5 10 = Minute = 000111 = 56
- Bits 11-15 = Hour = 1101 = 13
- The creation time is at: 13:56:30

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF

0040F220 49 4D 47 30 30 31 7E 32 4A 50 47 20 00 1E 0F 6F IMG001~2JPG ...o

0040F230 62 46 63 53 00 00 59 84 65 41 63 00 F2 D5 01 00 bFcs..y.eAc....
```

Figure 5.3: Creation Date Hex.

Calculating creation date for the file:

- Bytes 16-17= 0x 62 46
- Reverse endian = 0x 46 62
- Binary = 0b 0100 0110 0110 0010

Splitting up to represent seconds, minutes, hours:

- Bits 0 4 = Date = 00010 = 2
- Bits 5 8 = Month = 0011 = 3
- Bits 9-15 = Year= 100011= 35 + 1980 = 2015
- The creation date is: 02-03-2015.

```
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin> .\istat.exe -o 8064 .\Coursework-1.001 20
Directory Entry: 20
Allocated
File Attributes: File, Archive
Size: 120306
Name: IMG001~2.JPG

Directory Entry Times:
Written: 2012-11-05 16:34:50 (GMT Standard Time)
Accessed: 2021-11-03 00:00:00 (GMT Standard Time)
Created: 2015-03-02 13:56:30 (GMT Standard Time)
```

Figure 5.3: Verification – istat for the time and the date.

#### 6-File Content & Extraction

## A) Start of File Content Location

Calculating the Starting Cluster Number:

- Bytes 26-27 = 0x 63 00
- Reverse endian 0x 63
- Convert to decimal = 99 is Starting Cluster Number

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0123456789ABCDEF

0040F220 49 4D 47 30 30 31 7E 32 4A 50 47 20 00 1E 0F 6F IMG001~2JPG ...o

0040F230 62 46 63 53 00 00 59 84 65 41 63 00 F2 D5 01 00 bFcs..y.eAc....
```

Figure 6.1: starting cluster number location in hex.

#### Calculation Start of File Content Location:

To calculate the start of file content location we need:

- Bytes per sector (BPS) = 512
- Sectors per cluster (SPC) = 128
- Sector address for cluster Two = 280
- Starting Cluster no. of file = 99
- Offset to start of partition = 0x 3F0000 Bytes

#### The formula:

(Start cluster no. -2) \* SPC + Sector no. of cluster two.

• (99 – 2) \* 128 + 280 = 12696 sectors

This gives the sector number for where file starts.

## Byte offset:

Sector where file starts \* BPS:

- 12696 \* 512 = 6500352
- Convert to hex = 0x 63 3000

#### Absolute offset:

- Need to add offset address for start of file system
- 0x 63 3000+ 0x 3F0000 = 0x A2 3000

```
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin> .\istat.exe -0 8064 .\Coursework-1.001 2
Directory Entry: 20
Allocated
File Attributes: File, Archive
Size: 120306
Name: IMG001~2.JPG

Directory Entry Times:
Written: 2012-11-05 16:34:50 (GMT Standard Time)
Accessed: 2021-11-03 00:00:00 (GMT Standard Time)
Accessed: 2021-11-03 16:356:30 (GMT Standard Time)
Created: 2015-03-02 13:56:30 (GMT Standard Time)

Sectors:
12696 12697 12698 12699 12700 12701 12702 12703
12704 12705 12706 12707 12708 12709 12711
12712 12713 12714 12715 12716 12717 12718 12719
12720 12721 12722 12723 12724 12725 12726 12727
```

Figure 6.1: Matches the starting offset I calculated.

## A) End of File Content Location

#### Calculation:

- File size = 120,306 bytes
- Convert to hex = 0x 1 D5 F2

(Start of file + file size) -1 = end of file content

(0x A2 3000 + 0x 1 D5 F2) - 0x 1 = 0x A4 05F1

```
0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F | 0123456789ABCDEF
00A405A0 C4
           27 90 69 09 38 02 9A 48
                               69 FB C2 OE 47
                                                  .'.i.8..Hi...G<.
                                            3C E3
00A405B0
        D6 95 40 CB 8E 80 01 8A 68
                                                  ..@....h!.../..
                               21 BB OC OF 2F 91
                                               93
00A405C0 93 41 63 E5 01 C7 5C 7E B4 BA 82 D6 E3 80 C3 37
                                                  .Ac...\~.....7
00A405D0 5E 09 15 18 63 BF 1D B1
                            9A
                               69 EA 38 3B 88 EC 78
                                                  ^...c...i.8;..x
00A405E0 23 8F 98 0E 3E B4 A5 89 52
                                                  #...>...R.df...c
                               DC 64 66 8D C1 A5 63
00A405F0 FF
           D9
             00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                               00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00A40600 00
             00 00 00 00 00 00
           0.0
                               00 00 00 00 00 00 00
00A40610 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                               00 00 00 00 00 00 00
```

Figure 6.2: the mark of the last byte of the file content.

B) The allocated clusters for the file in the FAT & Verification

#### The allocated clusters for the file in the FAT

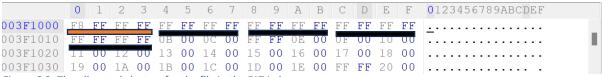


Figure 6.2: The allocated clusters for the file in the FAT in hex

- Reserved it indicates start of FAT area.
- Cluster allocated.

#### Cluster chains related to the file.

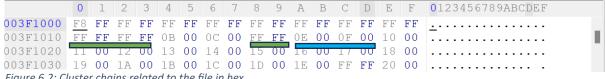


Figure 6.2: Cluster chains related to the file in hex.

There is one chain in the file it shows that the file continues until the EOF mark is present.

- C) The two methods to extract the file content.
- There is number of ways for extracting file content from an image such as FTK Imager, Sleuth Kit – icat.

Sleuth Kit - icat.

• using the command ". /Icat -o" in to view the output file.

```
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin> .\icat -0 8064 .\Coursework-1.001 5 > .\outputfile.txt
PS C:\sleuthkit-4.12.1-win32\bin>
```

Figure 6.3: File extraction - icat

• A text file will show in the directory as "Outputfile" when the command pass.



Figure 6.3: The txt file from the image showed in my directory.

• The content of the "Outputfile".



Figure 6.3: The file content from Sleuth Kit – icat match the FTK.

## FTK Imager.

 Loading the image in FTK imager software and selecting FAT16 then downloading the root file content.

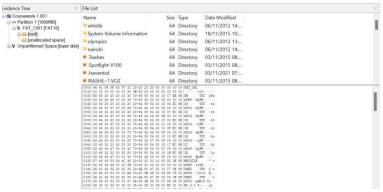


Figure 6.3: image loaded & exported.

• All the root file extracted will show in the download folder.

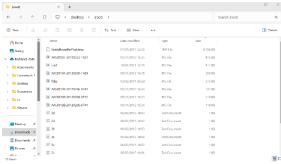


Figure 6.3: The root file extracted from FTK.

• The text file in the root content matches the Sleuth Kit – icat content.

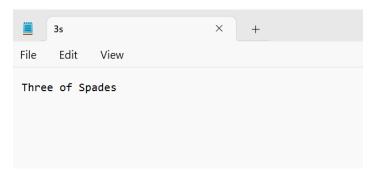


Figure 6.3: The root file content from FTK match the Sleuth Kit – icat.

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