



Mission Name

TheFencesDataCard

History Background

Claire and Ethan are in Asuncion (Paraguay) with she (The Fence). Claire must analyse The Fence's data card in order to get any relationship among The Fence and SHAX community.

Technical High-Level Overview

The aim is to analyse in depth to locate any clue that allow Claire to identify SHAX community. In this scenario, an iPhone evidence will be provided which contains the final clue to link The Fence with SHAX Community.

Short Description

You're going to analyse The Fence's iPhone. Your goal is to locate any clue related to SHAX, if you find it, please give us the ID Citizen linked to SHAX. This time, ID Citizen contains 12 numbers.

Mission Description

The Fence's iPhone is provided. The aim is to analyse in depth to locate any clue that allow Claire to identify the link SHAX community and The Fences. Your goal is to analyse iPhone evidence provided deeply and locate the ID Citizen linked to SHAX. This time, ID Citizen contains 12 numbers.

Location

ASUNCION | PARAGUAY



Tools

- Autopsy
- SqliteStudio
- plistEditor
- iLEAP

Questions

What is UUID of the App which was investigated previously?

- 074D9D88-04F3-4504-A04D-EE7FF204619C0

Which database contains information about the digits used to lock the iPhone?

- ADDataStore.sqlite

Hints

1. Use Autopsy to analyse The Fences's iPhone, and search the string "SHAX".
2. Check Apps Installed and iOS notification folder.
3. Check App snapshot (screenshots) folder related with App installed.

Write Up

First of all, player should unzip iPhone evidence provided, create a case on Autopsy tool and add the evidence extracted to the case, like the following picture:

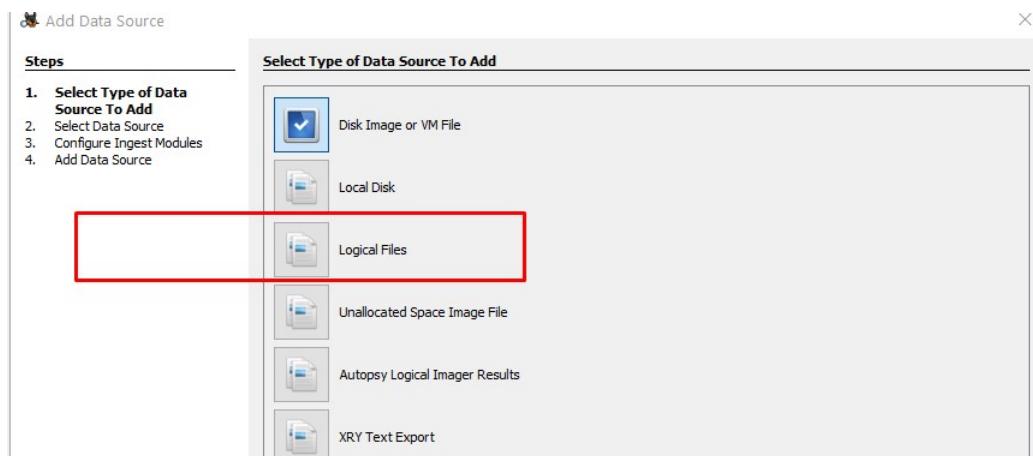


Figure 1

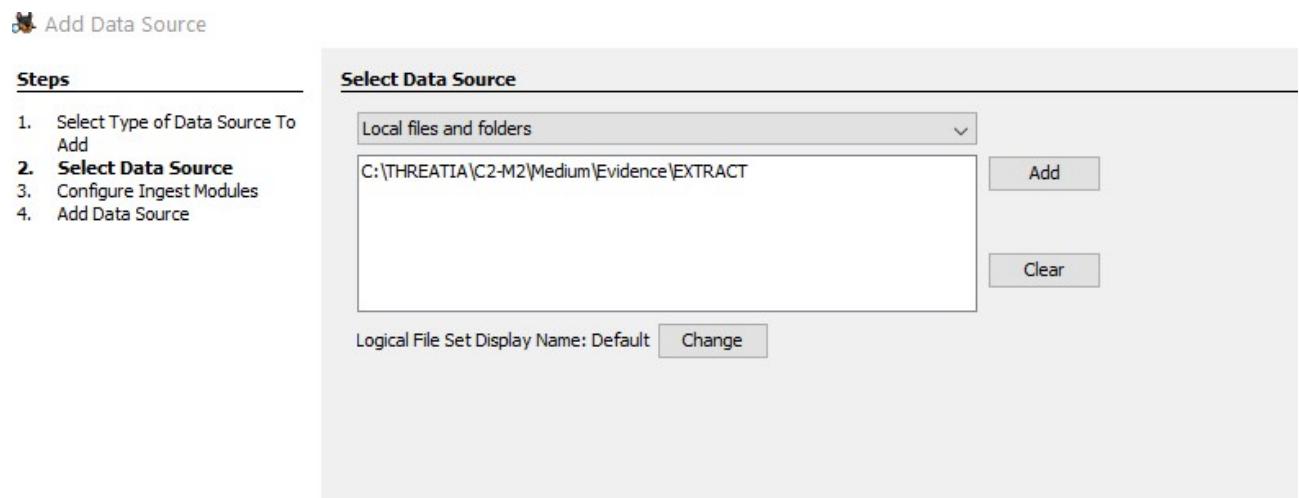


Figure 2



The key to analyse is "SHAX", so keeping in mind this, player must select on Autopsy "keyword search" on Ingest Modules:

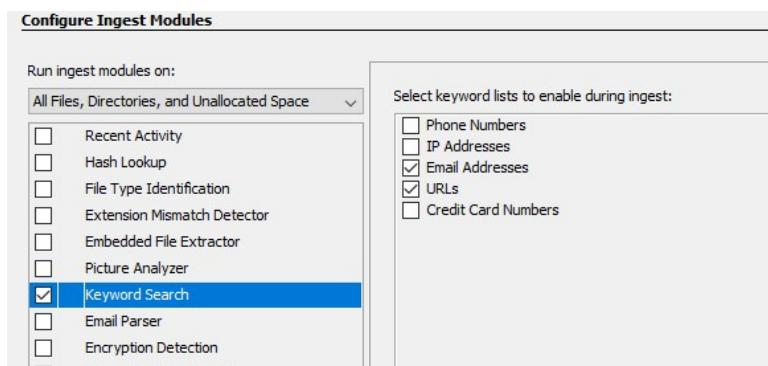


Figure 3

Eventually, data source has been added to the Autopsy case:

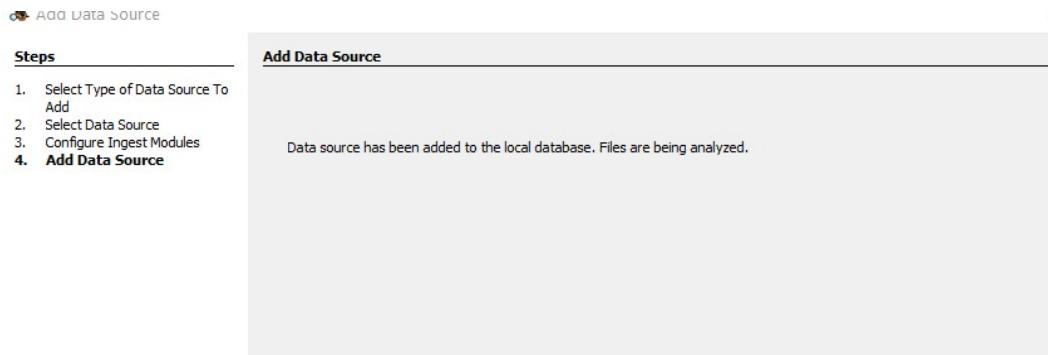


Figure 4

Autopsy will last a few hours to complete the "ingest module", so take it easy...

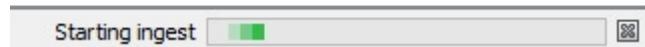


Figure 5



Once, Autopsy has been finished, player must search on the keyword search tab: SHAX

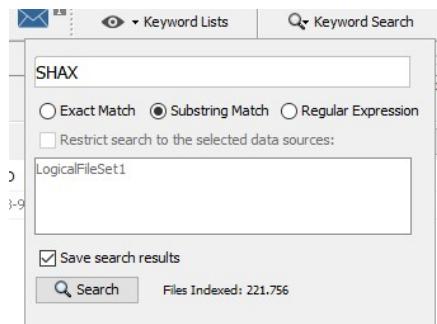


Figure 6

There are many results based on the string "SHAX" but the most important result is the database **knowledgeC.db located on private/var/mobile/Library/CoreDuet/Knowledge:**

knowledgeC.db	e8c62a /app/inFocus <ch.protonmail.protonmail_by_shax...	/LogicalFileSet1/EXTRACT/private/var/mobile/Lil	
knowledgeC.db-wal	<<ch.protonmail.protonmail_by_shax7e9dae03<-2868-443...	/LogicalFileSet1/EXTRACT/private/var/mobile/Lil	
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F80325D7-F1CE-4743-BCE5-42CA70213E8	/app/usage ch.protonmail.protonmail_BY_SHAXX		

Figure 7

This database contains apps installed on the iPhone Device and other information related to TheFences activity.



Player must analyse deeply, using another tool to open the SQLite database and then, locate where SHAX it's located.

The screenshot shows the SQLiteStudio interface with the database 'knowledgeC' selected. The 'Tables' tab is active, displaying 16 tables. The 'ZOBJECT' table is selected, and its structure is shown in the main pane. The table has one column named 'Z_PK' with a primary key constraint ('INTFGR'). The 'Data type' column shows 'INTFGR'. The 'Name' column shows 'Z_PK'. The 'Primary Key' column has a lightbulb icon. The 'Foreign Key' column is empty. The 'Unique' column is checked. The 'Check' column is empty. The 'Not NULL' column is checked. The 'Collate' column is empty. The 'Default value' column shows 'NILL'.

Figure 8

Installed Apps can be found on ZOBJECT table, and ZVALUESTRING column:

ZSTREAMNAME	ZVALUESTRING
/notification/usage	Receive
/notification/usage	Receive
/notification/usage	Receive
/app/inFocus	SBPowerDownController
/app/inFocus	SBPowerDownController
/app/inFocus	SBPowerDownController
/app/install	ch.protonmail.protonmail_BY_SHAXX
/app/usage	ch.protonmail.protonmail_BY_SHAXX
/app/inFocus	ch.protonmail.protonmail_BY_SHAXX
/app/usage	ch.protonmail.protonmail_BY_SHAXX
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Figure 9

As you can see, SHAX has tampered the app, adding a new name to the proton mail APP.

On this phase of the investigation, player must analyse all related to the ProtonMail App. If player does not know anything about iOS forensics artifacts, it will be a complicated task for him. The key of this case it's an interesting artifact "iOS notifications" folder located at:

- /private/var/mobile/Library/UserNotifications/

medium > Evidence > EXTRACT > private > var

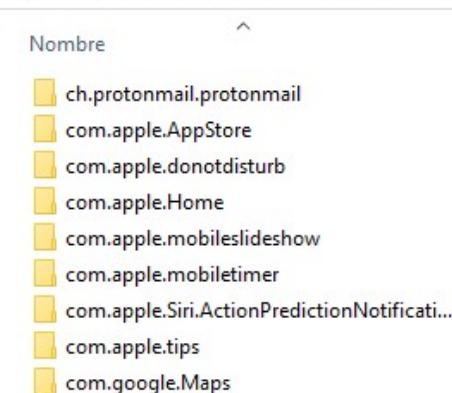


Figure 10

As we can see above, protonmail has User notifications: Categories.plist. Player should open this file with plist editor:

Key	Type	Value
Root	dict	
Sversion	integer	100000
\$objects	array	
	string	\$null
	dict	
	string	Token
	string	Environment
	string	TokenIdentifier
	data	
	string	Snapshot
	string	6ABDB373-3DAF-4FB2-89D0-9F7A41D8BE0C@2x.ktx
	dict	
	string	NSKeyedArchiver
Sarchiver	dict	
Stop	dict	
root	dict	
CFSUID	integer	1

Figure 11

On the List View tab, there is a clue relate to a Snapshot (screenshot). This said, player could find directly the file on Autopsy or launch iLEAPP tool to analyse Screenshots.



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usage: ileapp.py [-h] [-t {fs,tar,zip,gz,itunes}] [-o OUTPUT_PATH] [-i INPUT_PATH] [-p]
ileapp.py: error: argument -t: expected one argument
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Figure 12

- python3 ileapp.py -t fs -i /evidence_extracted/ -o /output_results/

Once iLEAPP finishes, player could locate one index HTML file, which contains all necessary information. On the App Snapshots (screenshots) section, we will see a ProtonMail Snapshot damaged:

App Snapshots (screenshots) report

Snapshots saved by iOS for individual apps appear here. Blank screenshots are excluded here. Dates and times shown are from file modified timestamps

Total number of entries: 27

Show	15	entries	S
App Name	Source Path	Date Modified	Snapshot
ch.protonmail.protonmail	/mnt/c/THREATIA/C2-M2/Medium/Evidence/EXTRACT/private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/074D9D88-04F3-4504-A04D-EE7FF204619C/Library/Caches/Snapshots/ch.protonmail.protonmail/6ABDB373-3DAF-4FB2-89D0-9F7A41D8BE0C@2x.ktx	2021-06-17 21:30:19.325516	

Figure 13

And the other screenshots could be checked perfectly:

/mnt/c/THREATIA/C2-M2/Medium/Evidence/EXTRACT/private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/074D9D88-04F3-4504-A04D-EE7FF204619C/Library/Caches/Snapshots/ch.protonmail.protonmail/91A31899-4255-4689-9320-1817CA72A0AB@2x.ktx	2021-06-02 22:53:21	
/mnt/c/THREATIA/C2-M2/Medium/Evidence/EXTRACT/private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/074D9D88-04F3-4504-A04D-EE7FF204619C/Library/Caches/Snapshots/ch.protonmail.protonmail/CD01162E-18A3-479E-9F4C-FC9331628ACB@2x.ktx	2021-06-02 23:21:09	

Figure 14

This said, player should pay attention to this fact: one image damaged the rest of the images working? So, it's mandatory to analyse the picture located at:

- \private\var\mobile\Library\UserNotifications\ch.protonmail.protonmail\6ABDB373-3DAF-4FB2-89D0-9F7A41D8BE0C@2x.ktx

Using an Hex Editor , like HxD player will able to identify the required 12 numbers among the XAHS string, which is SHAX string, but in reverse order: **XAHS_122487323822**

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00000000	AB 4B 54 58 20 31 31 BB 0D 0A 1A 0A 01 02 03 04	«KTX 11».....
00000010	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B0 93 00 00°..
00000020	08 19 00 00 EE 02 00 00 36 05 00 00 01 00 00 00 00i...6.....
00000030	00 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 68 00 00 00 00h...
00000040	17 00 00 00 4B 54 58 6F 72 69 65 6E 74 61 74 69KTXorientati
00000050	6F 6E 00 53 3D 72 2C 54 3D 64 00 00 13 00 00 00	on.S=r,T=d.....
00000060	43 6F 6C 6F 72 53 70 61 63 65 5F 41 50 50 4C 45	ColorSpace_APPLE
00000070	00 31 00 00 17 00 00 00 58 41 48 53 5F 31 32 32	.1.....XAHS_122
00000080	34 38 37 33 32 33 38 32 32 00 41 50 50 4C 00 00	487323822.APPL..
00000090	12 00 00 00 41 6C 70 68 61 49 6E 66 6F 5F 41 50AlphaInfo_AP
000000A0	50 4C 45 00 35 00 00 00 8C 2A 06 00 4C 5A 46 53	PLE.5...@*..LZFS
000000B0	84 2A 06 00 62 76 78 32 5C 1D 04 00 D4 32 E0 0E	/*...bvx2\...Ó2à.
000000C0	03 08 27 50 F9 EF DF BF F4 D7 60 40 D5 00 00 00	..'PùiBçôx`@Ó...
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Figure 15

Flag Information

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