

CIS-387: Digital Forensics (4 credits)

With Dr. Jinhua Guo

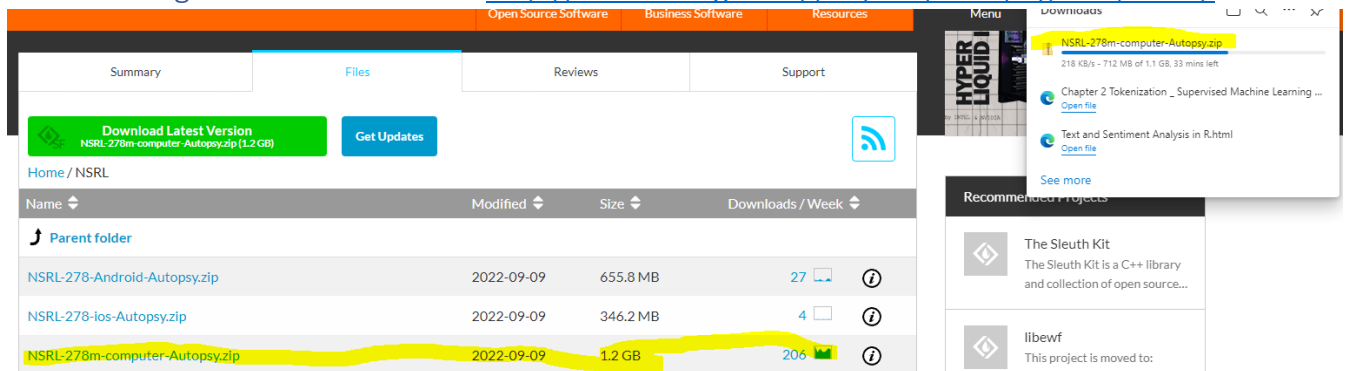
Lab 7 - National Software Reference Library (NSRL) Hash Analysis

Demetrius Johnson

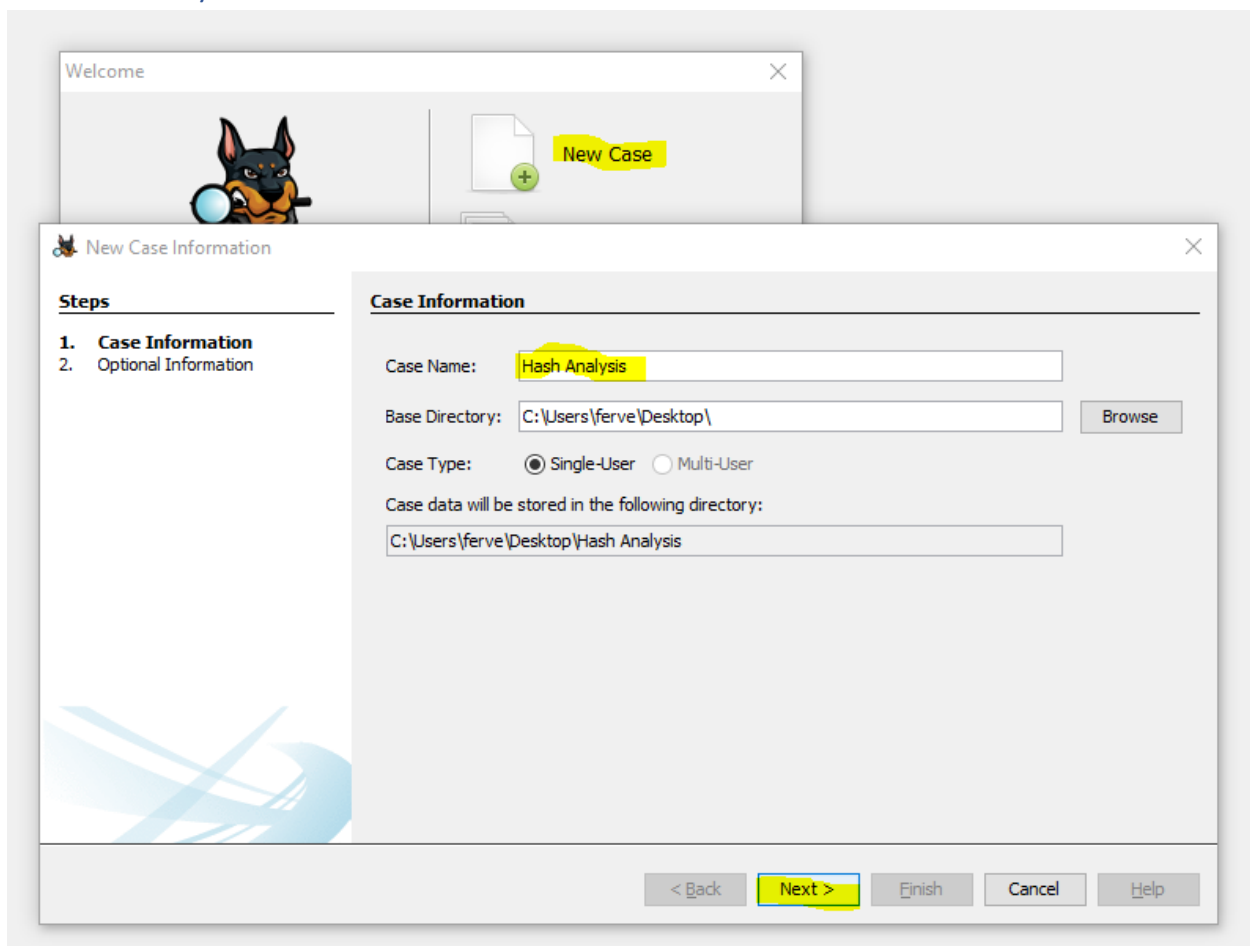
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INSTRUCTIONS

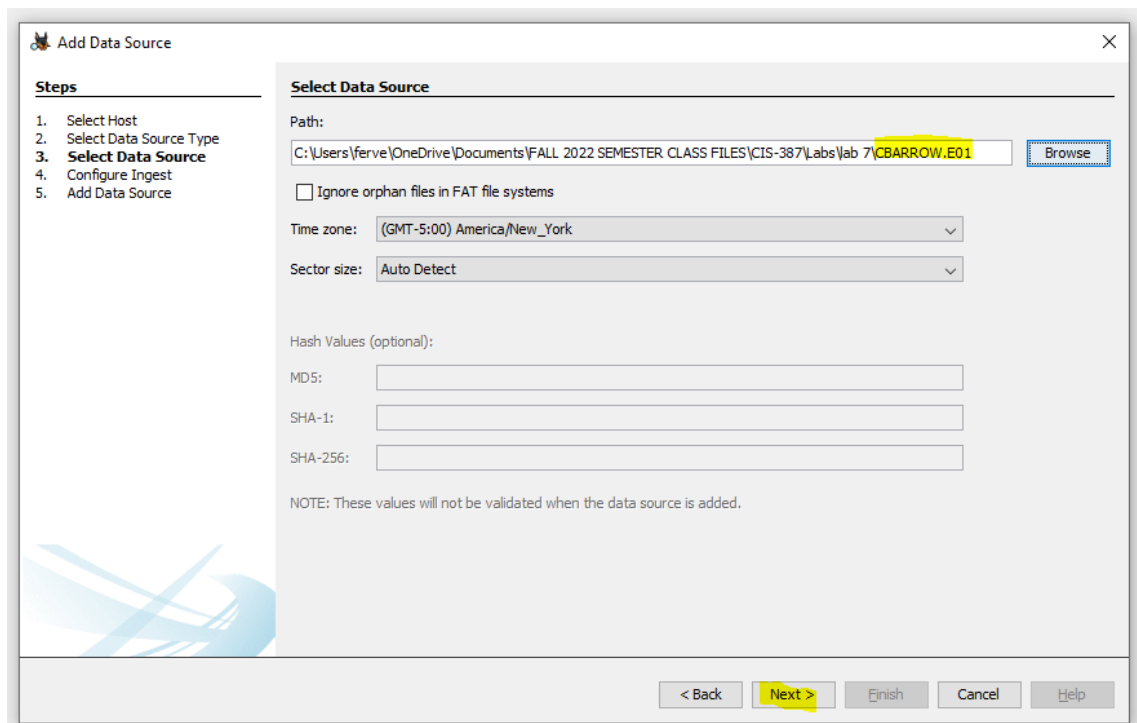
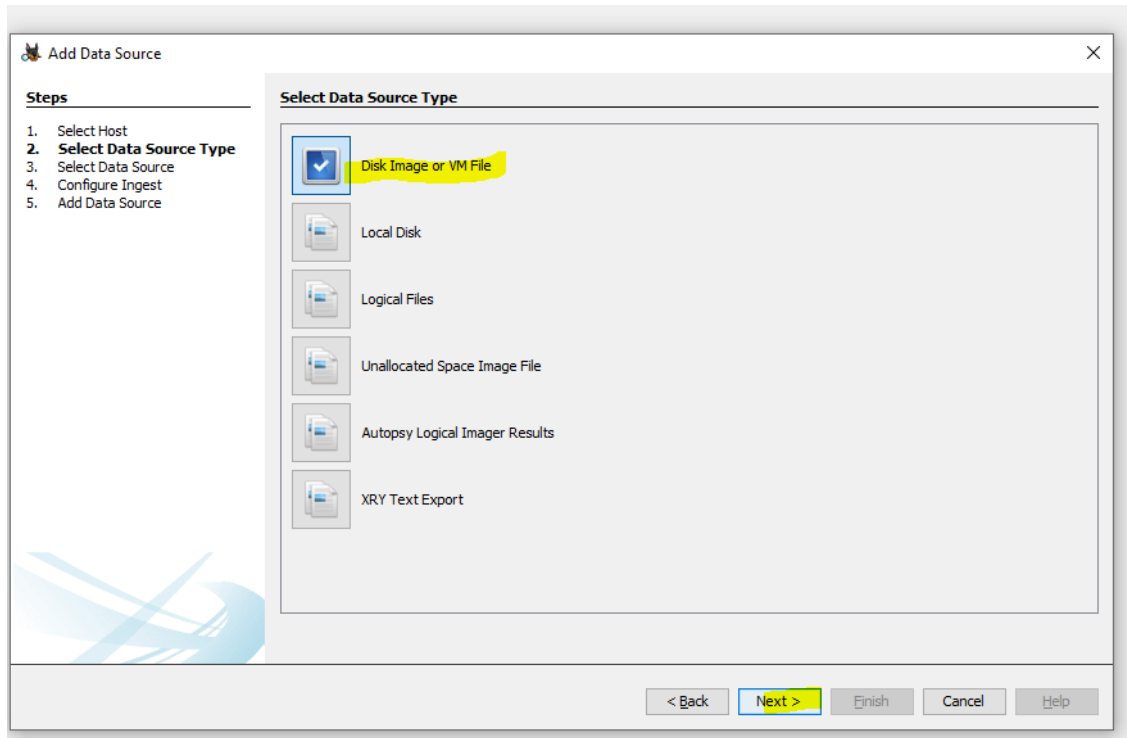
Downloading NSRL index file from <http://sourceforge.net/projects/autopsy/files/NSRL/>:



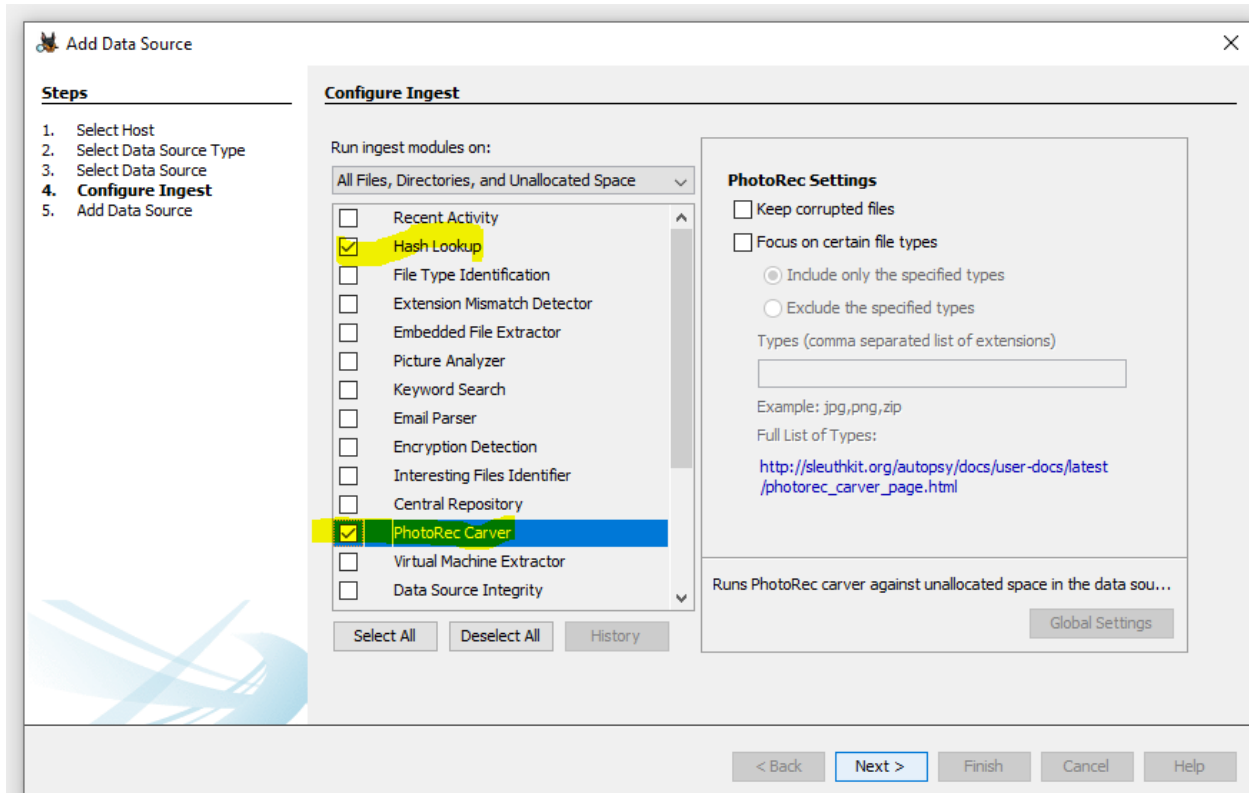
1. Launch Autopsy and create a case, Create New Case and name it as “Hash Analysis”.



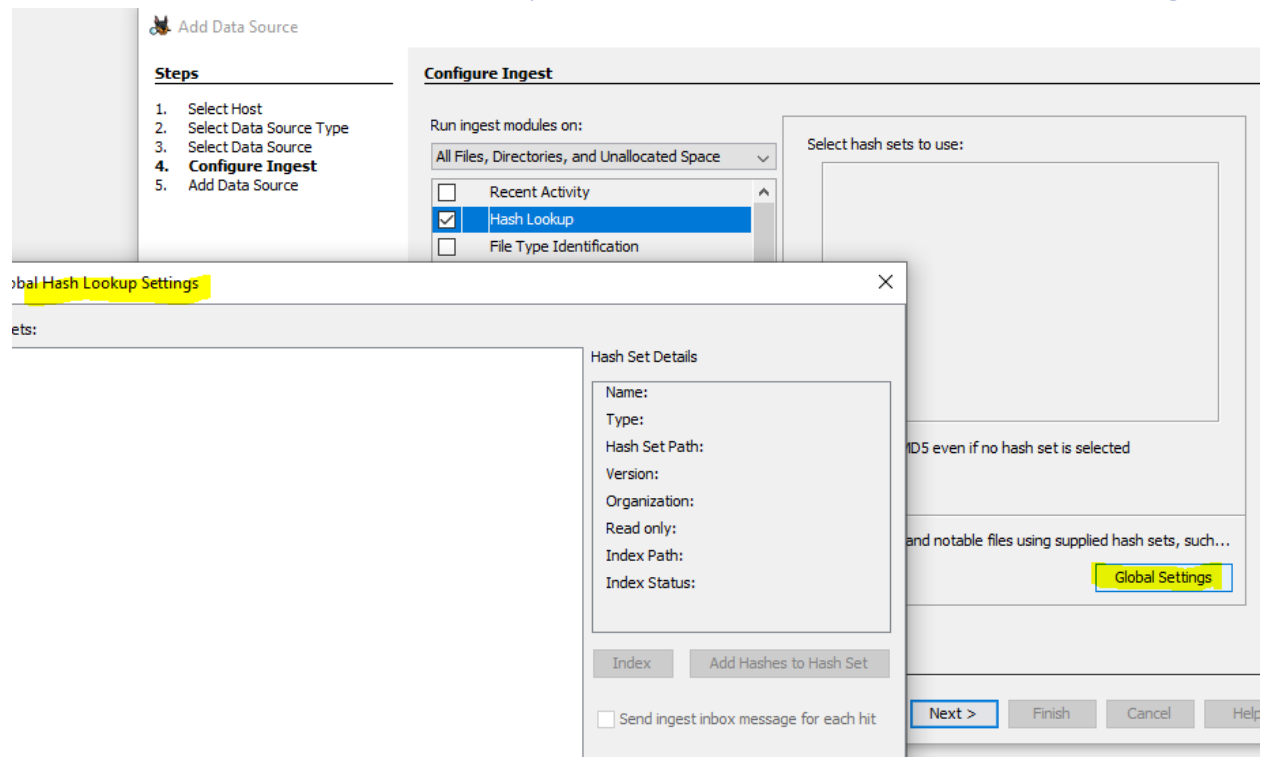
2. Add data source type: choose Disk Image; browse and select the path to "CBARROW.E01".



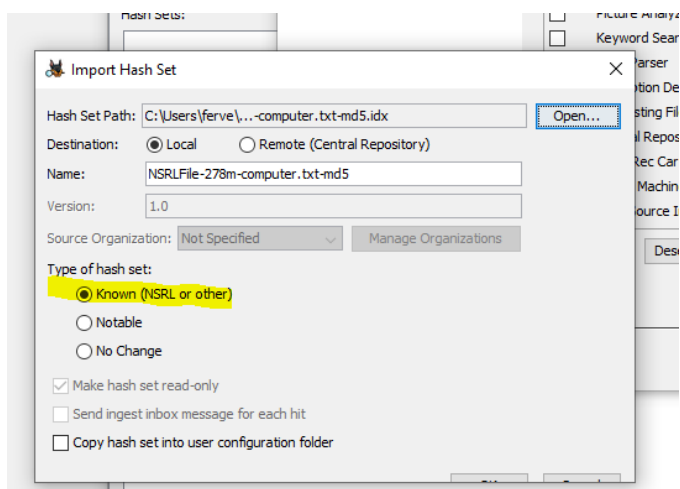
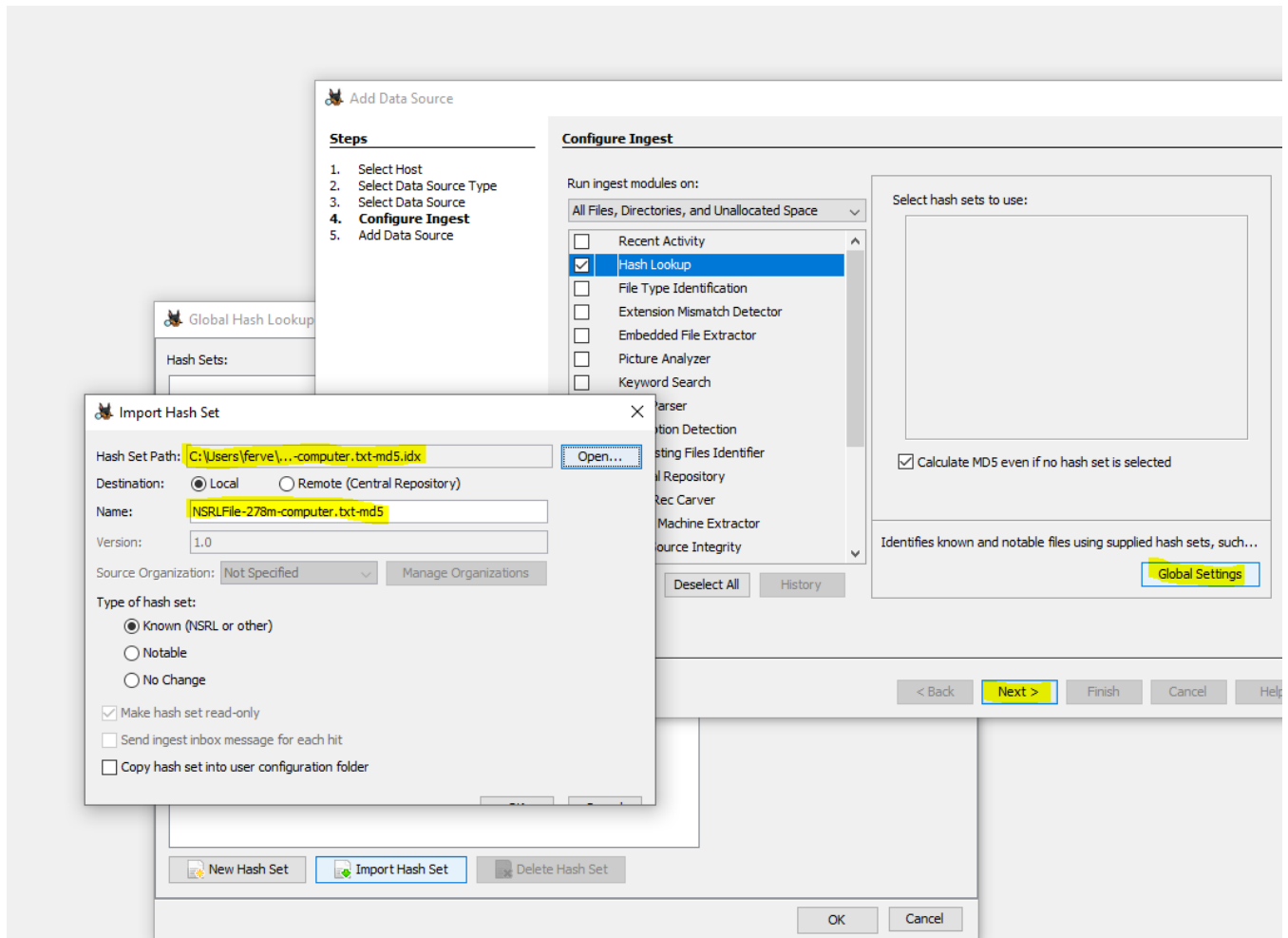
3. In the Ingest (processing) modules window, uncheck all modules except the “Hash Database Lookup Module” and “PhotoRec Carver Module”;



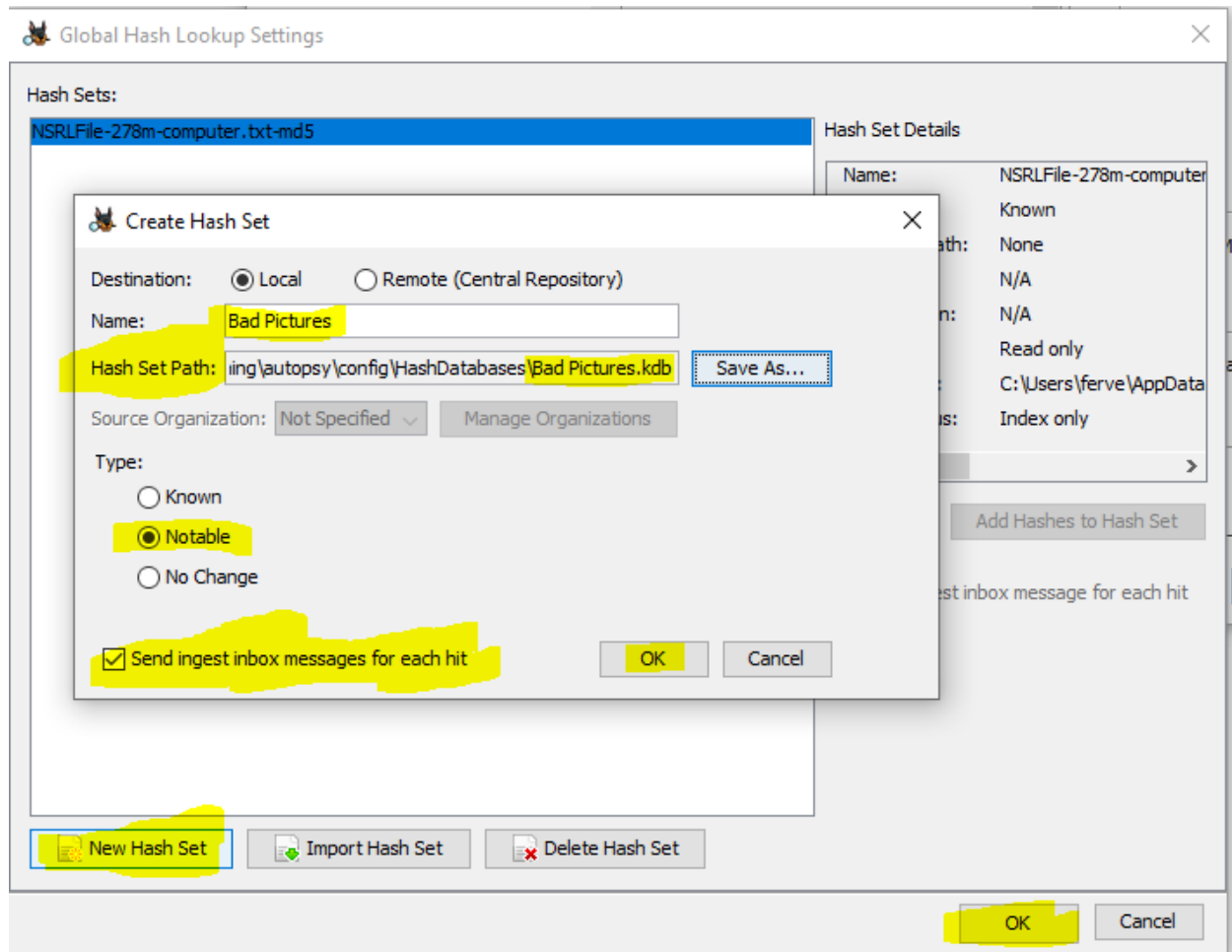
4. Click “Hash Database Lookup Module” and the click Global Setting.



5. At the “Global Hash Lookup Setting” window, click “Import Hash Set”, open your downloaded NRSL hash set index file (.idx), and check the “Known” option under the Type of Hash Set.

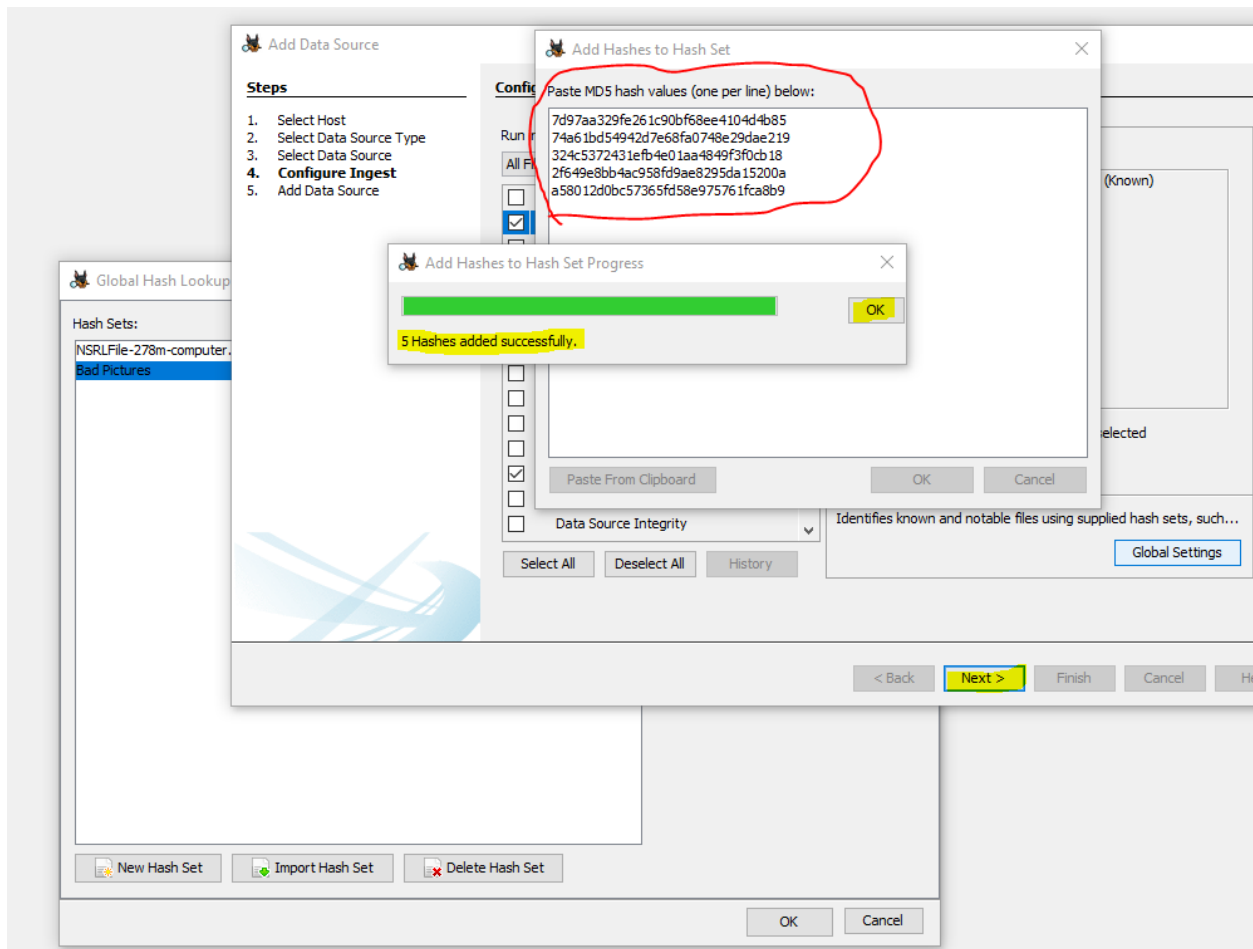
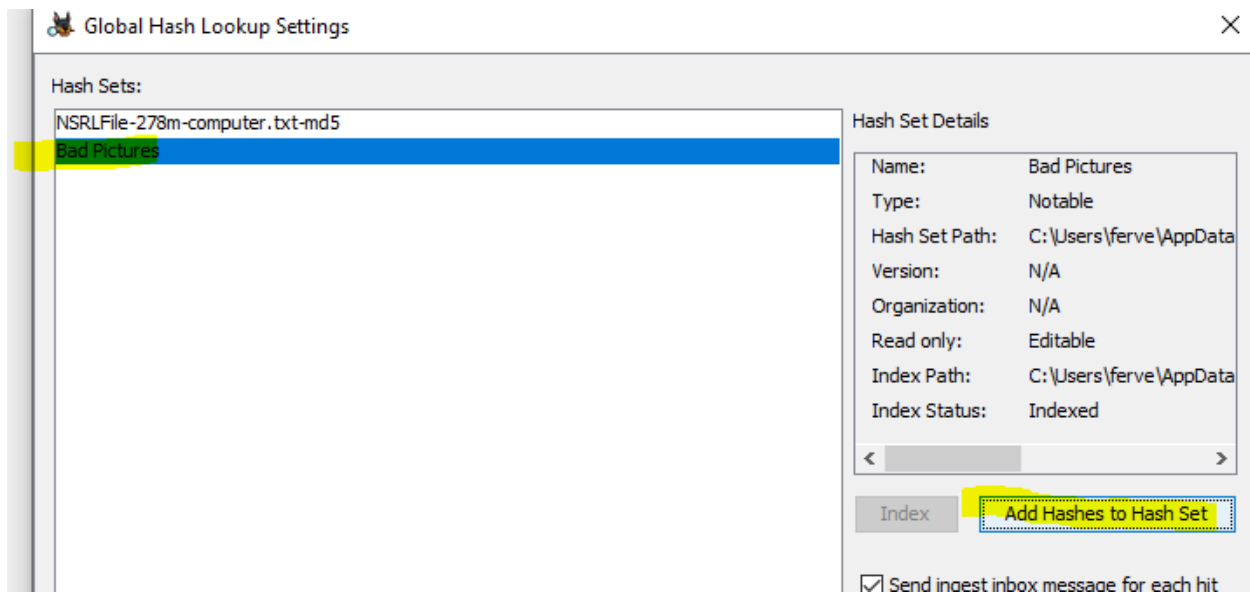


6. Click “New Hash Set” and then input “BadPictures” in the name field and choose a “Hash Set Path”, and, and check “Notable” type, and check “send ingest inbox messages for each hit”.

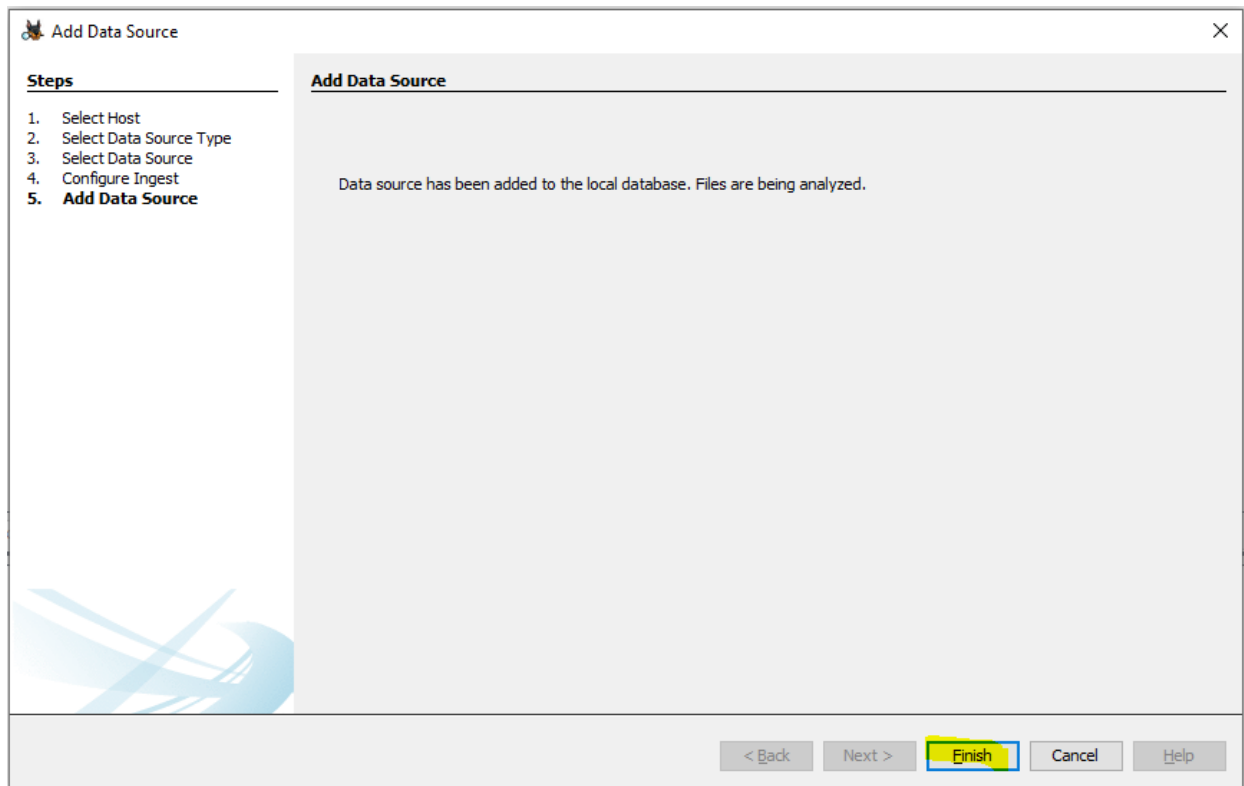


7. Click “OK”; and click “Add Hashes to Hash Set” and then copy and paste the following MD5 hashes:

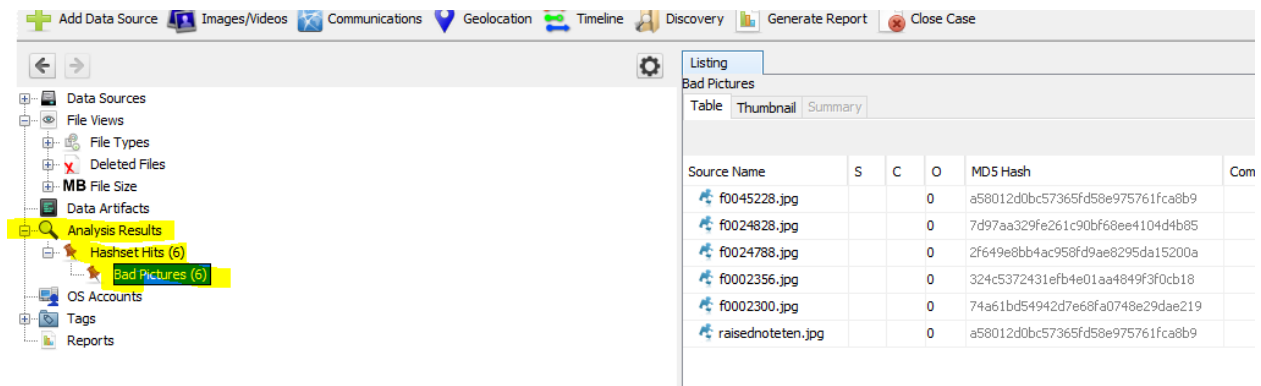
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2. 74a61bd54942d7e68fa0748e29dae219
3. 324c5372431efb4e01aa4849f3f0cb18
4. 2f649e8bb4ac958fd9ae8295da15200a
5. a58012d0bc57365fd58e975761fca8b9



8. Click “OK” twice; click Next and then click Finish.



9. Review the search results under Results > Hashset Hits > BadPictures, and find all the hits.



It appears that 5 out of 6 hashes from BadFile Hash set has made a hit:







| Source Name | S | C | O | MD5 Hash | Comment | File Path |
|-------------------|---|---|---|----------------------------------|---------|---|
| f0045228.jpg | | | 0 | a58012d0bc57365fd58e975761fca8b9 | | /img_CBARROW.E01/vol_vol3/\$CarvedFiles/f0045228.jpg |
| f0024828.jpg | | | 0 | 7d97aa329fe261c90bf68ee4104d4b85 | | /img_CBARROW.E01/vol_vol3/\$CarvedFiles/f0024828.jpg |
| f0024788.jpg | | | 0 | 2f649e8bb4ac958fd9ae8295da15200a | | /img_CBARROW.E01/vol_vol3/\$CarvedFiles/f0024788.jpg |
| f0002356.jpg | | | 0 | 324c5372431efb4e01aa4849f3f0cb18 | | /img_CBARROW.E01/vol_vol3/\$CarvedFiles/f0002356.jpg |
| f0002300.jpg | | | 0 | 74a61bd54942d7e68fa0748e29dae219 | | /img_CBARROW.E01/vol_vol3/\$CarvedFiles/f0002300.jpg |
| raisednoteten.jpg | | | 0 | a58012d0bc57365fd58e975761fca8b9 | | /img_CBARROW.E01/vol_vol2/Documents and Settings/Clyde/Work/Money/Bits/raisednote |

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
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
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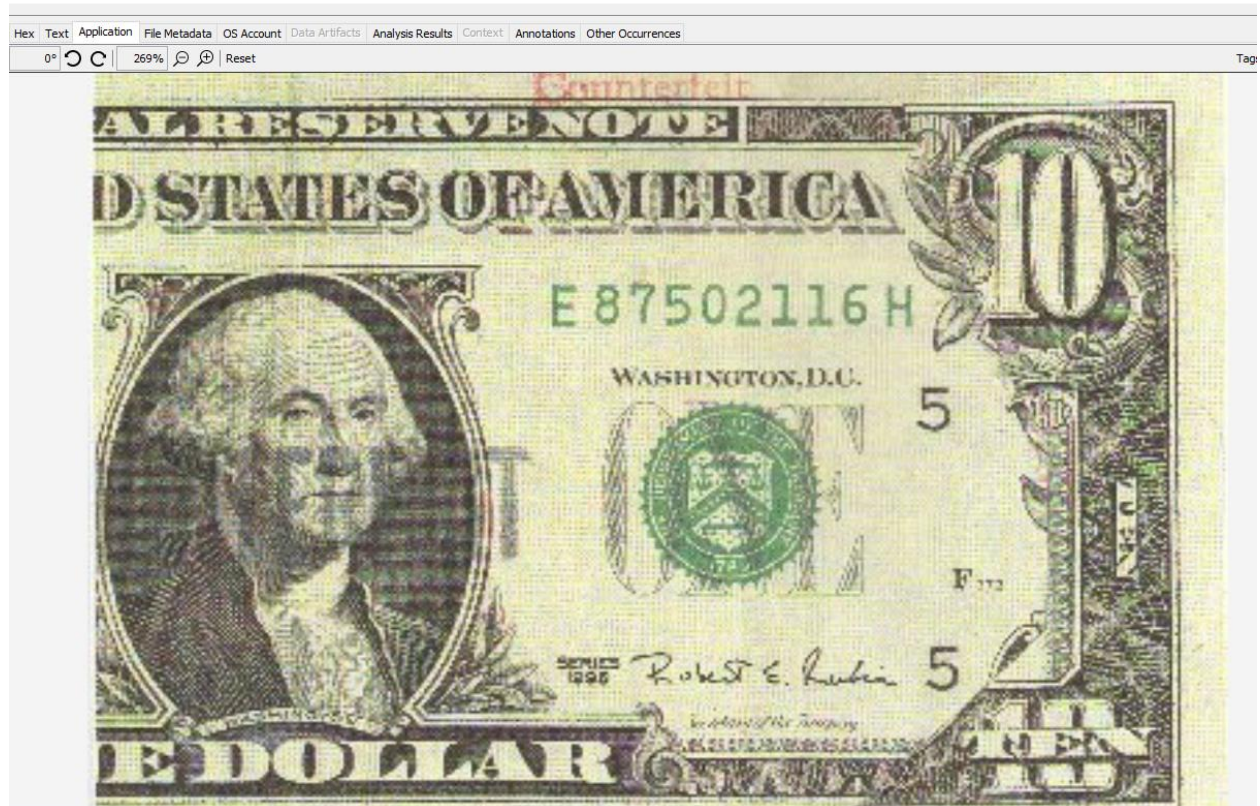
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Notice this last file is the same file as the first file; they are exact matches, they just have different meta data (such as filename for example).

10. Click and Open “Timeline” window, select “List” view mode, and review some known files.

Case View Tools Window Help

Add Data Source Images/Videos Communications Geolocation Timeline Discovery Generate Report Close Case

Data Sources

- CBARROW.E01_1 Host
 - CBARROW.E01
 - vol1 (Unallocated: 0-62)
 - vol2 (NTFS / exFAT (0x07): 63-3894911)
 - vol3 (Unallocated: 3894912-4999679)
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Listing

Data Sources

Table Thumbnail Summary

Name

CBARROW.E01_1 Host

Timeline - Editor

Timeline x

Display Times In: Local Time Zone GMT / UTC

History Back Forward

Filters

Apply Reset

Must include text: enter filter string

Must be tagged

Must have hash hit

Limit data sources to

Limit file types to

Limit event types to

- File System
- Web Activity
- Other

View Mode: Counts Details List

Add Event Snapshot Report

31,812 events

| Date/Time | Event Type | Description | Tagged | Hash Hit |
|---------------------|------------|---|--------|----------|
| 1993-07-23 00:00:00 | __M | /Program Files/Ado ... 6.0/Msvcr10.dll | | |
| 1994-05-18 11:38:58 | __M | /Program Files/G7 ... ar Codes 12pt.TTF | | |
| 1996-02-13 13:18:26 | __M | /Program Files/G7 ... les/MIPSMICR.TTF | | |
| 1996-04-15 18:38:30 | __BM | /WINDOWS/Fonts/WINGDNG2.TTF | | |
| 1996-04-15 18:39:10 | __BM | /WINDOWS/Fonts/WINGDNG3.TTF | | |
| 1996-11-17 02:00:00 | __BM | /Program Files/ ... 33/GR8GALRY.GRA | | |
| 1996-12-03 13:50:14 | __BM | /WINDOWS/system32/VEN2232.OLB | | |
| 1996-12-03 16:49:04 | __BM | /Program Files/ ... ce/MSACNV30.EXE | | |
| 1996-12-03 16:49:04 | __BM | /Program Files/ ... ce/MSACNV30.DLL | | |
| 1997-05-08 17:18:46 | __BM | /Program Files/M ... ns/FRMRDRCT.ECF | | |
| 1997-07-11 01:00:00 | __BM | /WINDOWS/system32/MSIMRT16.DLL | | |
| 1997-07-11 01:00:00 | __BM | /WINDOWS/system32/MSIMRT.DLL | | |
| 1997-07-11 01:00:00 | __BM | /WINDOWS/system32/MSIMUSIC.DLL | | |
| 1997-07-11 01:00:00 | __BM | /WINDOWS/system32/MSIMRT32.DLL | | |

Start: Jul 23, 1993 12:00:00 AM Jump By: Year

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So I have noticed if I filter the timeline by *must include hash hit*, it only shows 1 file (and different times the file meta data was updated). It is the raisednoteten.jpg file. The other files that had hash hits as seen in Analysis results did not show up in the timeline.

The screenshot shows the 'Timeline - Editor' window. The 'View Mode' is set to 'List'. The 'Filters' panel on the left has 'Must have hash hit' checked. The timeline table shows 4 events, all for the file '/Documents and Sett ... /raisednoteten.jpg'. The event at 2002-10-22 10:16:12 is highlighted. The bottom of the window shows a preview of a US dollar bill.

Timeline - Editor

Timeline x

Display Times In: ☒ Local Time Zone ☐ GMT / UTC

History Back Forward

Filters

Apply Reset

enter filter string

Must include text: ☐

Must be tagged: ☐

Must have hash hit: ☒

Limit data sources to: ☐

Limit file types to: ☐

Limit event types to: ☒

File System ☐

Web Activity ☐

Other ☐

Hidden Descriptions

View Mode: ☒ Counts ☒ Details ☐ List

Add Event Snapshot Report >>

4 events

| Date/Time | Event Type | Description | Tagged | Hash Hit |
|---------------------|------------|--|--------|----------|
| 2001-01-07 00:01:00 | __M | /Documents and Sett ... /raisednoteten.jpg | | |
| 2002-10-21 15:22:15 | __B_ | /Documents and Sett ... /raisednoteten.jpg | | |
| 2002-10-22 10:16:12 | A__ | /Documents and Sett ... /raisednoteten.jpg | | |
| 2002-10-30 08:53:18 | __C_ | /Documents and Sett ... /raisednoteten.jpg | | |

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So I checked the meta data for the other files I was expecting to show up, since they are indeed hash hits. Turns out, it cannot appear on timeline because the meta data shows that for the other 5 hash hits they do not have any data modified/accessed/created times. The files may have been corrupted or purposely the metadata was deleted/nulled.

Data Sources

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File Views

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- Hashset Hits (6)
 - Bad Pictures (6)
- OS Accounts
- Tags
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Metadata

Name: /img_CBARROW.E01/vol_vol3/\$CarvedFiles/f0024828.jpg

Type: Carved

MIME Type: image/jpeg

Size: 26591

File Name Allocation: Unallocated

Metadata Allocation: Unallocated

Modified: 0000-00-00 00:00:00

Accessed: 0000-00-00 00:00:00

Created: 0000-00-00 00:00:00

Changed: 0000-00-00 00:00:00

MD5: 7d97aa329fe261c90bf68ee4104d4b85

SHA-256: dee7897e2865779f60fc669ace6dd4dfde6dc710510b65101209facae339b242

Hash Lookup Results: BAD

Internal ID: 26884

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Changed: 0000-00-00 00:00:00

MD5: 7d97aa329fe261c90bf68ee4104d4b85

SHA-256: dee7897e2865779f60fc669ace6dd4dfde6dc710510b65101209facae339b242

Hash Lookup Results: BAD

Internal ID: 26884

Summary/Reflection

Overall, I have gained a very valuable skill using the Autopsy digital forensic tool. Now, if I have a machine that has poor performance and I suspect that there may be a virus on the machine, I can capture an image of my entire disk drive and hash all files. Then, I can use the NSRL hash database set to compare to all of my files. The analysis done by the tool will automatically give me hash hits so that I can know if and which kind of known bad file is on my machine! Then I can proceed to the path of that hash hit on my actual machine that I made the disk image copy of and delete/remove the file/program! In essence, this lab helped me to be able to conduct digital forensic audits using the Autopsy tool more effectively and added to my knowledge of the use of the tool, and it has enabled me to do an autopsy of any of my everyday personal devices or for the devices of someone else to scan for viruses in a very effective, safe way (especially because the image file is read only as per the digital forensic software design).