

Digital Forensics Lab Report: 9

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Aim/Purpose: Study of a Hash and Hex analysis tools

Tool Names:

1. WinHEX :- WinHex is a hexadecimal editor for the Windows operating system. It is used for forensics, data recovery, low-level data processing, and IT security. It allows the user to view files in hexadecimal format.
2. Garrykesler
3. Hashmefileignoreware:- HashMyFiles is small utility that allows you to calculate the MD5 and SHA1 hashes of one or more files in your system. You can easily copy the MD5/SHA1 hashes list into the clipboard, or save them into text/html/xml file.HashMyFiles can also be launched from the context menu of Windows Explorer, and display the MD5/SHA1 hashes of the selected file or folder.

Steps: -

Download and Install HashMyFiles :-

<https://hashmyfiles.soft112.com/modal-download.html> and Download HashMyFiles as ZIP. Extract the zip file to get the.exe file.

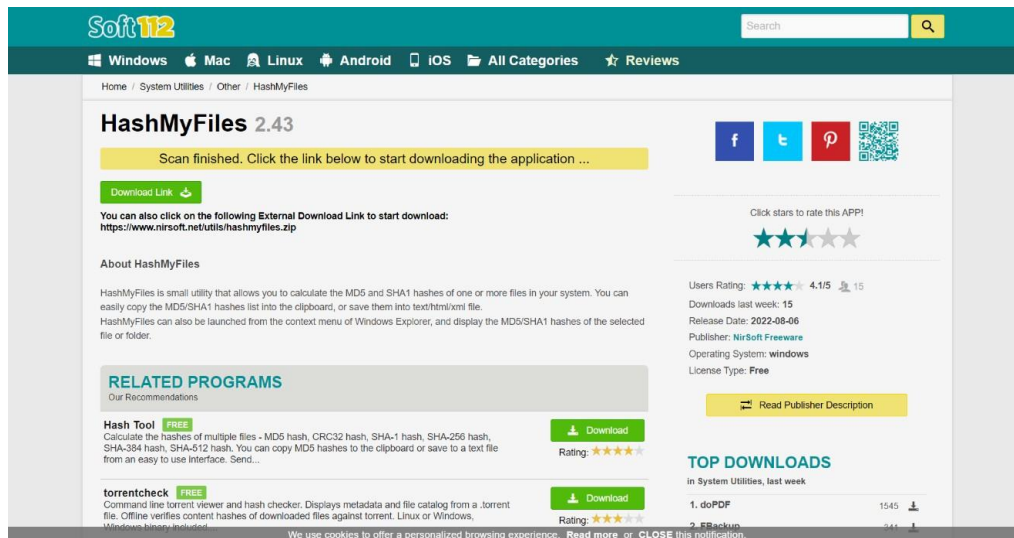


Figure 1 HashMyFiles download website

1. Open the Application and open any file.

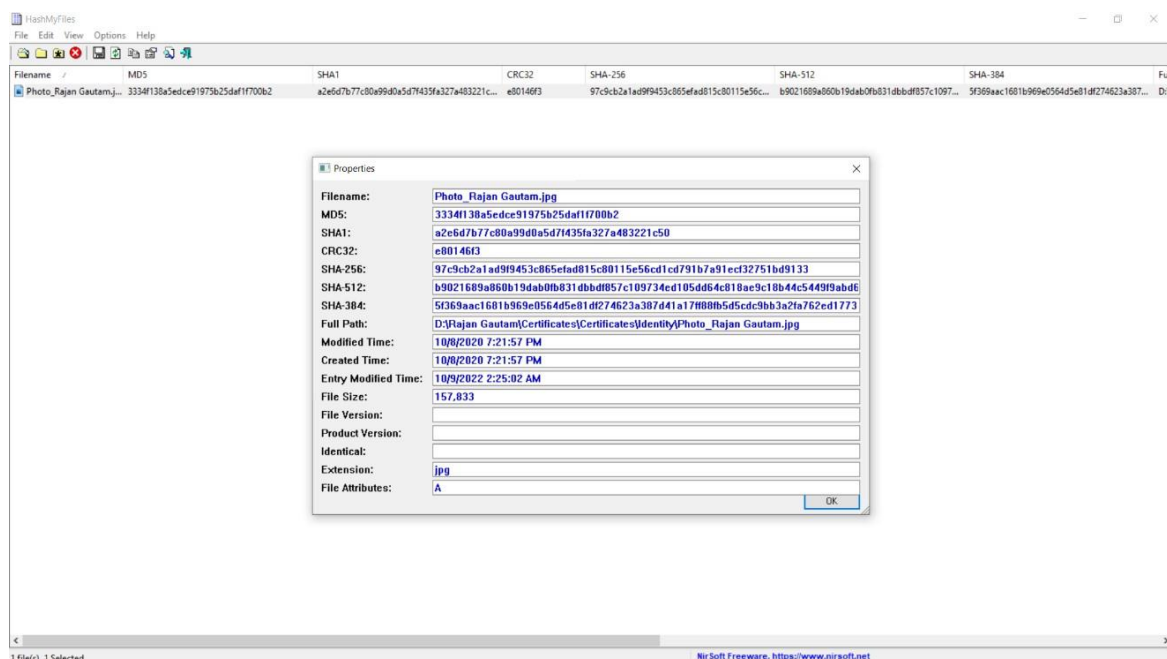


Figure 2 HasmyFiles

2. Access Garrykesler from this

URL https://www.garykessler.net/library/file_sigs.html

GCK'S FILE SIGNATURES TABLE

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This table of file signatures (aka "magic numbers") is a continuing work-in-progress. I had found little information on this in a single place, with the exception of the table in *Forensic Computing: A Practitioner's Guide* by T. Sammes & B. Jenkinson (Springer, 2000); that was my inspiration to start this list in 2002. See also Wikipedia's [List of file signatures](#). Comments, additions, and queries can be sent to Gary Kessler at gck@garykessler.net.

This list is not exhaustive although I add new files as I find them or someone contributes signatures. Interpret the table as a one-way function: the magic number generally indicates the file type whereas the file type does not always have the given magic number. If you want to know to what a particular file extension refers, check out some of these sites:

- [File Extension Seeker: Metasearch engine for file extensions](#)
- [FIL-Ext.com](#)
- [FileInfo.com](#)
- [WebSite.org](#), The Programmer's File and Data Resource
- [DOT WHAT?](#)
- [File-Extensions.org](#)

Some other useful information:

- My [software utility](#) page contains a custom signature file based upon this list, for use with FTK, Scalpel, Simple Carver, Simple Carver Lite, and TrID. There is also a raw CSV file and JSON file of signatures.
- The [File Signatures](#) Web site searches a database based upon file extension or file signature.
- Tim Coakley's [Filesig.co.uk](#) site, with Filesig Manager and Simple Carver. Also, see Tim's [SQLite Database Catalogue](#) page, "a repository of information used to identify specific SQLite databases and properties for research purposes."
- Marco Pontello's [TrID - File Identifier](#) utility designed to identify file types from their binary signatures.
- The National Archives' [PRONOM](#) site provides on-line information about data file formats and their supporting software products, as well as their multi-platform [DROID \(Digital Record Object Identification\)](#) software.
- Additional details on graphics file formats can be found at [The Graphics File Formats Page](#) and the [Sustainability of Digital Formats Planning for Library of Congress Collections](#) site.
- Additional details on audio and video file formats can be found at the [Sustainability of Digital Formats Planning for Library of Congress Collections](#) site.

If you are using a Linux/MacOS/Unix system, you can use the `file` command to determine the file type based upon the file signature, per the system's *magic* file.

And, one last and final item — if you are searching for network traffic in raw binary files (e.g., RAM or unallocated space), see [Hints About Looking for Network Packet Fragments](#).

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Figure 3 Garrykesler

3. Check Hex Value for .JPG file in GCK's file. As per them Hex value for JPG image is 'FF D8 FF E1 xx xx 4578'.

Segment Tags of the form 0x-FF-Ex (where x = 0..F) are referred to as APP0-APP15, and contain application-specific information. The most commonly seen APP segments at the beginning of a JPEG file are APP0 and APP1 although others are also seen. Some additional tags are shown below:

- 0xFF-D8-FF-E0 — [Standard JPEG/JFIF file](#), as shown below.
- 0xFF-D8-FF-E1 — Standard JPEG file with Exif metadata, as shown below.
- 0xFF-D8-FF-E2 — Canon Camera Image File Format (CIEF) JPEG file (formerly used by some EOS and Powershot cameras).
- 0xFF-D8-FF-E8 — [Still Picture Interchange File Format \(SPIFF\)](#), as shown below.

FF D8 FF E0 xx xx 4A 46 49 46 00	ÿØà..JF IF. JFIF, JPE, JPEG, JPG	JPEG/JFIF graphics file Trailer: FF D9 (ÿÜ)
FF D8 FF E1 xx xx 45 78 69 66 00	ÿØà..Ex if. JPG	Digital camera JPG using Exchangeable Image File Format (EXIF) Trailer: FF D9 (ÿÜ) See Using Extended File Information (EXIF) File Headers in Digital Evidence Analysis (P. Alvarez, <i>LIDE</i> , 2(3), Winter 2004) and ExifTool Tag Names
FF D8 FF E8 xx xx 53 50 49 46 46 00	ÿØè..SP IFF. JPG	Still Picture Interchange File Format (SPIFF) Trailer: FF D9 (ÿÜ)
FF Ex FF Fx	ÿ. ÿ. MPEG, MPG, MP3	MPEG audio file frame sync pattern
FF F1	ÿñ AAC	MPEG-4 Advanced Audio Coding (AAC) Low Complexity (LC) audio file
FF F9	ÿù AAC	MPEG-2 Advanced Audio Coding (AAC) Low Complexity (LC) audio file
FF FE	ÿþ REG	Windows Registry file n/a Byte-order mark (BOM) for 16-bit Unicode Transformation Format/ 2-octet Universal Character Set (UTF-16/UCS-2), little-endian files. (See the Unicode Home Page .)

Figure 4 Garrykesler

4. Open the same file using WinHEX. We can see the same HEX value in the editor which shows the file is .JPGfile.

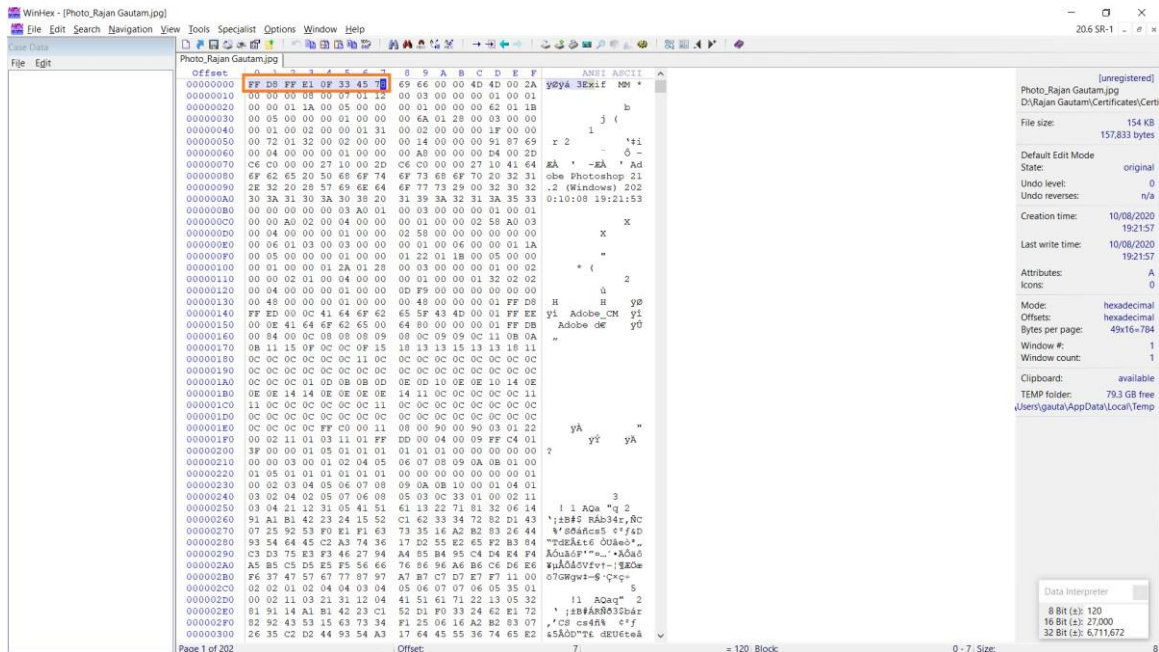


Figure 5 WinHex

5. The image was edited with Adobe photoshop, that also we can verify from the HEXCode.

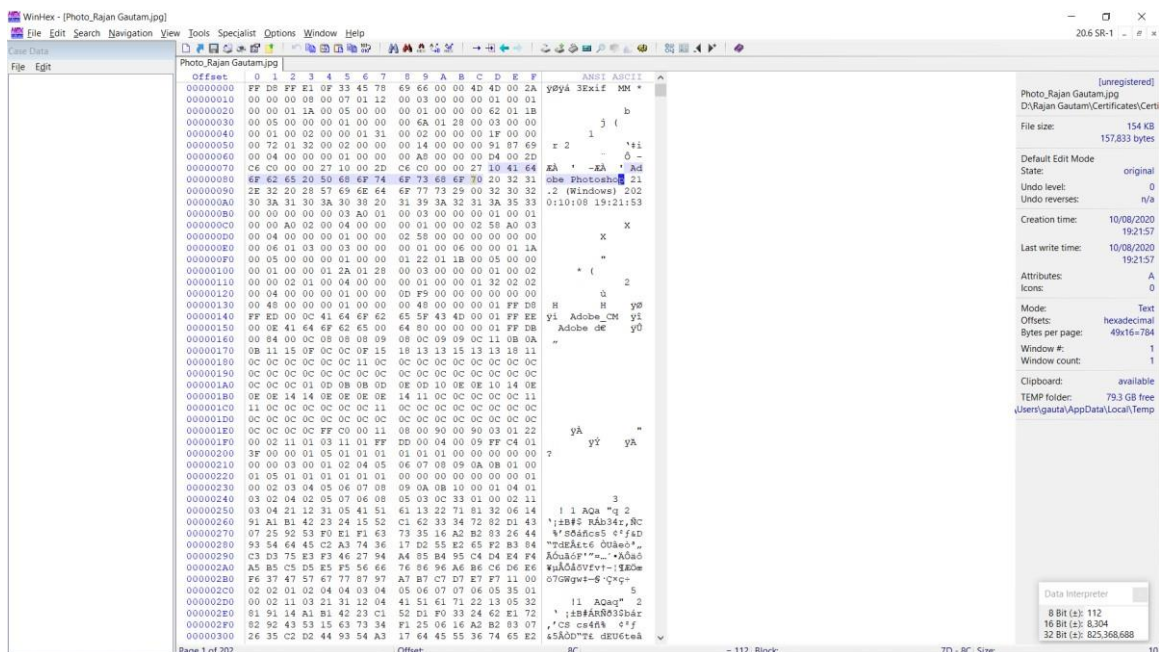


Figure 6 WinHex

6. When I updated the file using Paint and check the Hash value, I found the change in Hash Value also.

Hash List

Created by using [HashMyFiles](#)

Filename	MD5	SHA1	CRC32	SHA-256	
Photo_Rajan Gautam.jpg	3334f138a5edce91975b25daf1f700b2	a2e6d7b77c80a99d0a5d7f435fa327a483221e50	e80146f3	97c9cb2a1ad9f9453c865efad815c80115e56cd1cd791b7a91ecf32751bd9133	b9021689a860b19dab0fb8;
Photo_Rajan Gautam2.jpg	ea0a380f562de4796238b2cc3c08ea6d	4acb7b0567fd50c93d167c8f59ffe29eab3e49e8	35de5544	84ff37bc6afab6887e2a4122863944774dddc59206d461fd0d3792b63e6e9d9	4e898c6364c5ff50ea0d3de

Figure 7 Hash Value also.

Conclusion:

1. By doing the HEX Code analysis, WinHEX is a powerful hex editor that allows users to view, modify, and analyze hexadecimal data in files, disks, and memory locations. It can be used for a variety of purposes, including digital forensics. HashMyFiles is a utility that allows users to calculate the hashes of files, which can be used to verify the integrity of those files. Gary Kessler's File Signature Table is a resource that can be used to identify the file formats of unknown files. All three of these tools can be useful in digital forensics