

LAB ASSIGNMENT - 01

1 AIM

Study of Computer Forensics and different tools used for forensic investigation at least 7.

2 Tools used for Forensic Investigation:

2.1 Autopsy:

- (a) It is an open-source digital forensics platform used for analyzing and investigating hard drives and smartphones.
- (b) Features:
 - i. User-friendly graphical interface.
 - ii. File analysis, keyword search, and timeline analysis.
 - iii. Support for various file systems and disk image formats.
 - iv. Integration with external plugins for extended functionality.

2.2 Wireshark:

- (a) Wireshark is a popular network protocol analyzer that allows users to capture and inspect data on a network in real-time.
- (b) Features:
 - i. Live packet capturing and offline analysis.
 - ii. Deep inspection of hundreds of protocols.
 - iii. Rich display filters for precise analysis.
 - iv. Cross-platform support (Windows, macOS, Linux).

2.3 ProDiscover:

- (a) ProDiscover is a commercial digital forensics tool designed for computer and network investigations.

(b) Features:

- i. Disk imaging and analysis.
- ii. Email and file recovery.
- iii. Advanced search capabilities.
- iv. Timeline analysis for reconstructing events.

2.4 FTK Imager:

(a) FTK Imager is a forensic imaging tool used for acquiring and analyzing digital evidence.

(b) Features:

- i. Create forensic images of disks and drives.
- ii. View and analyze file systems and deleted files.
- iii. Simple and intuitive user interface.
- iv. Supports various image formats.

2.5 EnCase:

(a) EnCase is a widely used digital forensics tool that provides a range of features for evidence collection and analysis.

(b) Features:

- i. Disk imaging and forensic analysis.
- ii. Supports a wide range of file systems.
- iii. Powerful keyword and index searches.
- iv. Timeline analysis and reporting capabilities.

2.6 CAINE:

(a) CAINE (Computer Aided Investigative Environment) is an open source digital forensics platform which provides a user friendly environment for computer investigations.

(b) Features:

- i. Integrated tools for data acquisition and analysis.
- ii. Live boot capability without modifying the host system.
- iii. Automated tools for imaging, file analysis, and searches.
- iv. Open-source and cross-platform (Linux).

2.7 SIFT Workstation:

- (a) SIFT (SANS Investigative Forensic Toolkit) Workstation is an open-source forensic toolkit maintained by SANS.
- (b) Features:
 - i. Collection of various forensic tools and utilities.
 - ii. Pre-configured environment for forensic analysis
 - iii. Linux-based, providing flexibility and extensibility.
 - iv. Focus on digital evidence examination and analysis.

2.8 Sleuth Kit:

- (a) The Sleuth Kit is an open-source digital forensics toolkit that provides command-line tools for analyzing disk images.
- (b) Features:
 - i. File system analysis for various formats.
 - ii. In-depth file and metadata examination.
 - iii. Support for various hashing algorithms.
 - iv. Portable and cross-platform.

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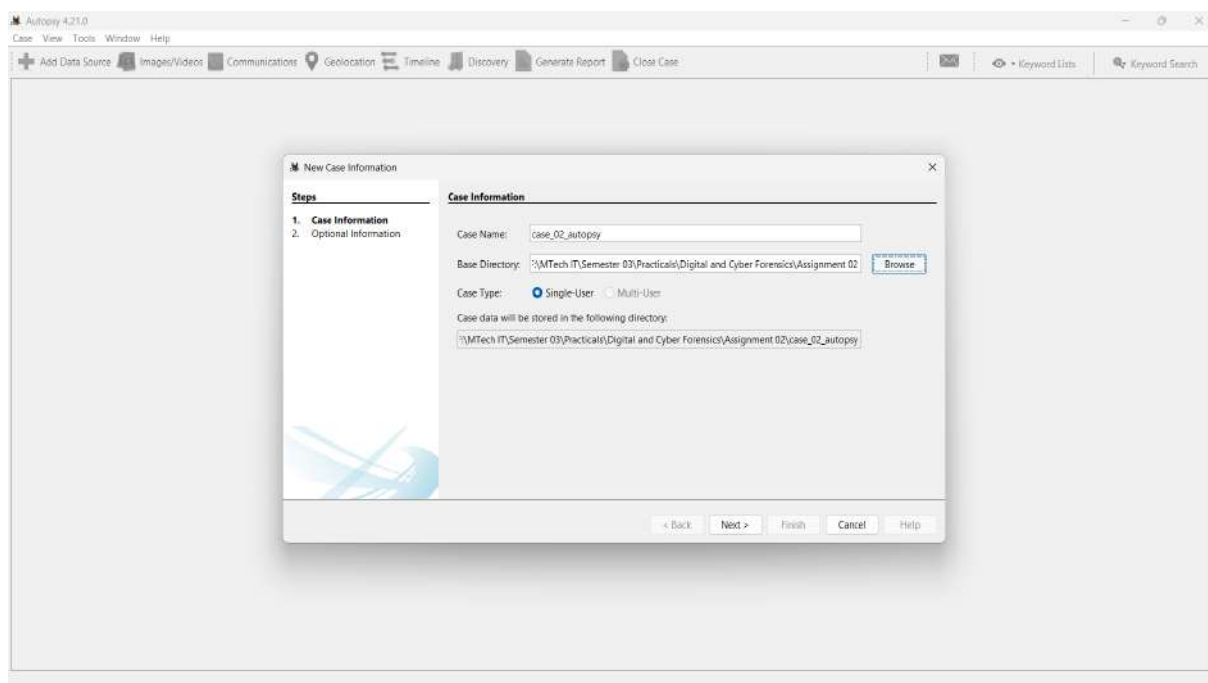
Perform to make the forensic image of the storage drive (Using ProDiscover, AccessData FTK Imager, and Autopsy)

2 Different tools used for Forensic Investigation

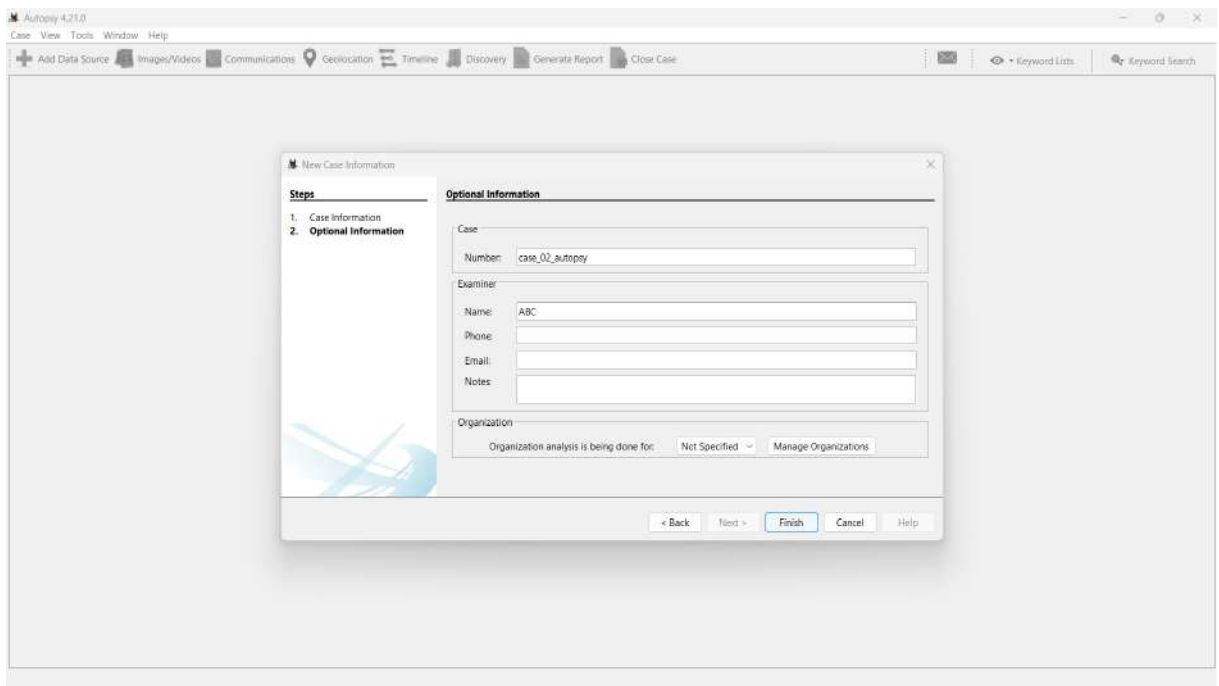
2.1 Perform using Autopsy

Steps to make forensic image using Autopsy are as follows: -

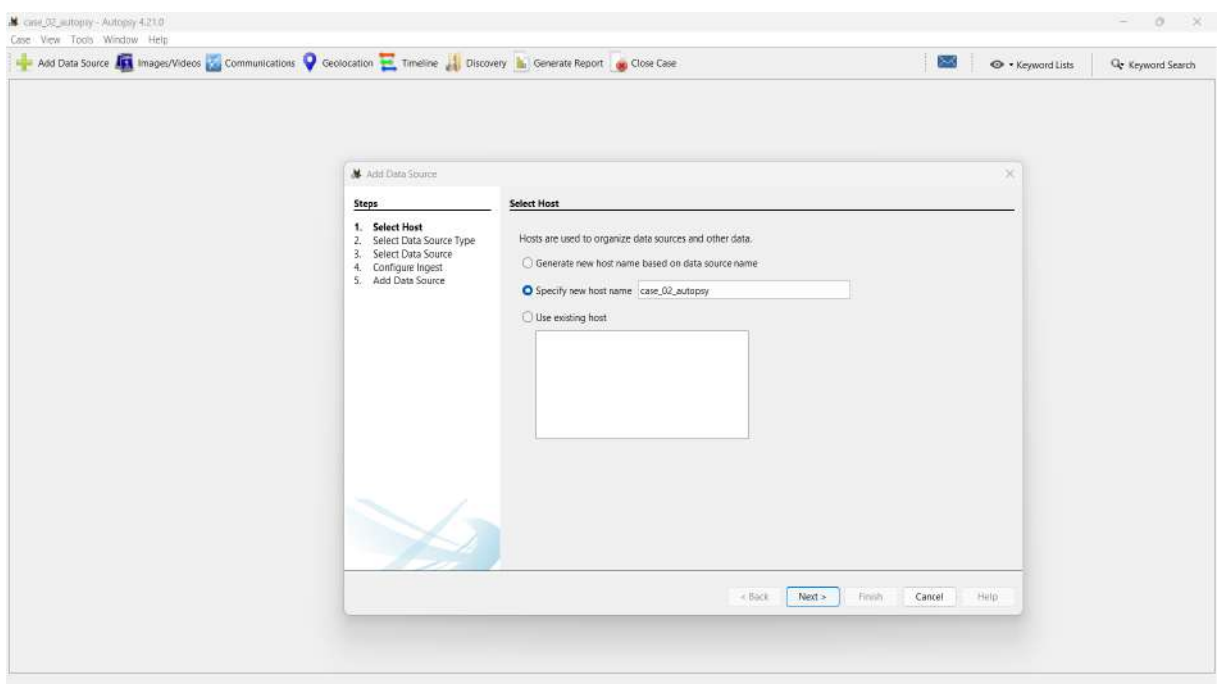
1. Start Autopsy for Windows.
2. In Autopsy's main window, click the Create New Case button. In the New Case Information window, enter case_02_autopsy in the Case Name text box, and click Browse next to the Base Directory text box. Navigate to and click your work folder. Make sure the Single-user option button is selected for Case Type, and then click Next.



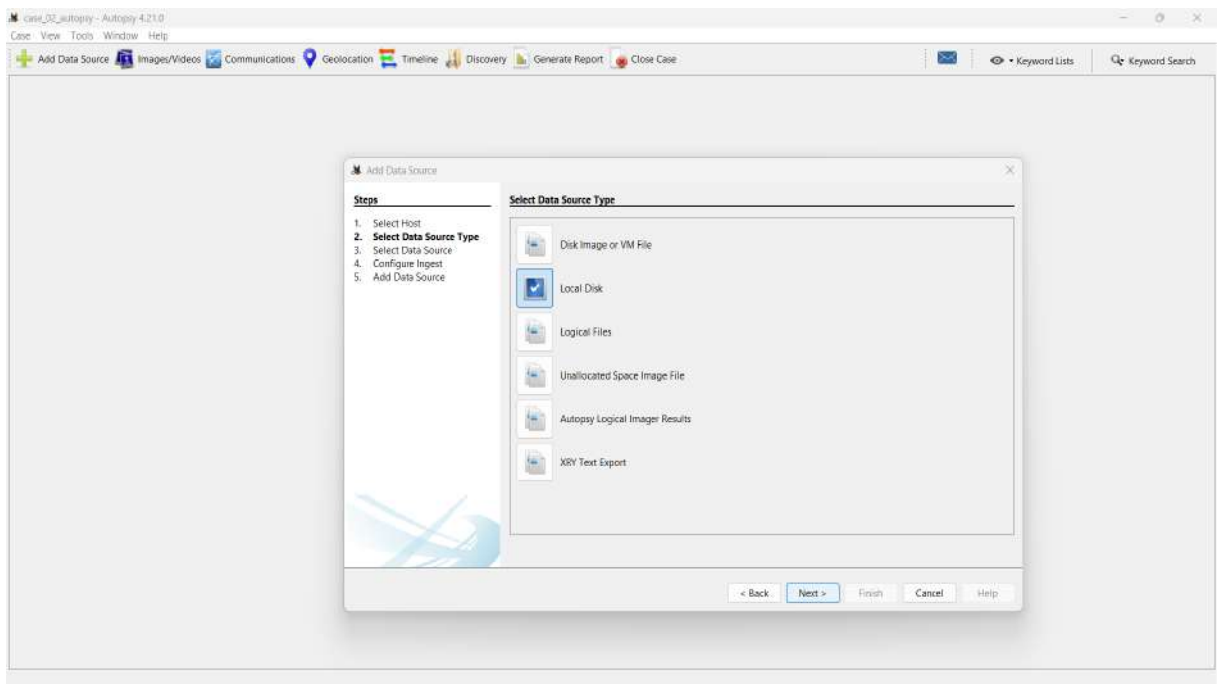
3. In the Additional Information window, type case_02_autopsy in the Case Number text box and your name in the Examiner text box, and then click Finish to start the Add Data Source Wizard.



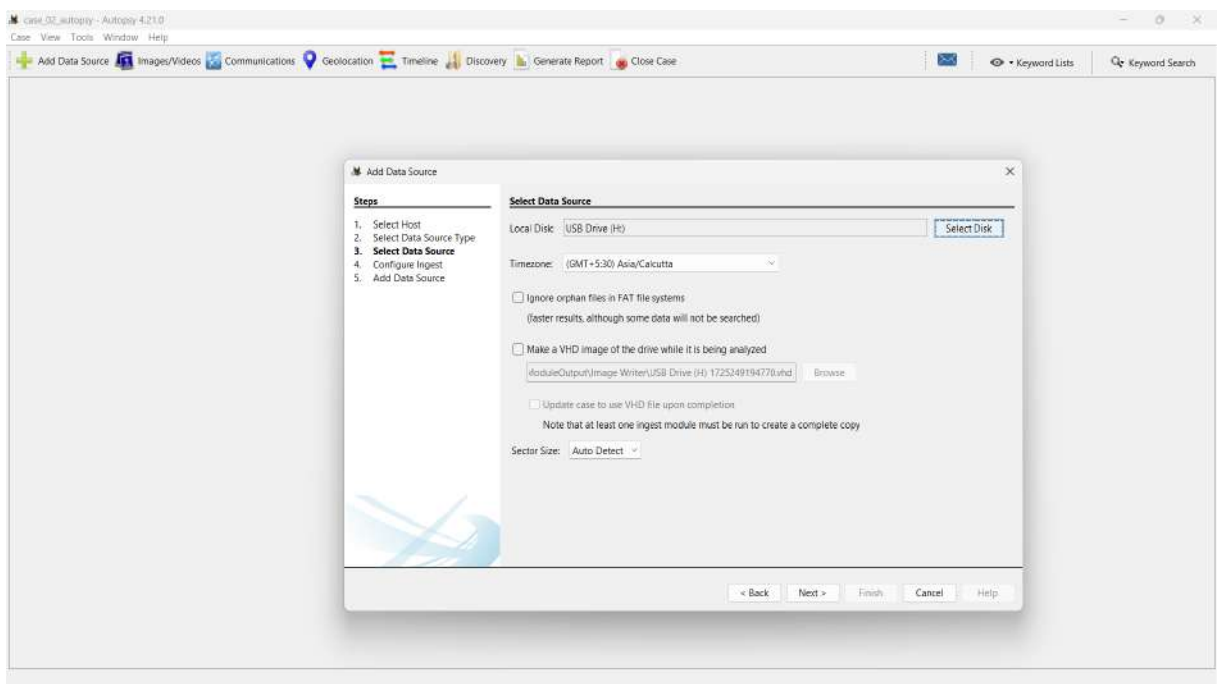
4. In the Add data source window, specify the new host name as case_02_autopsy, and click on Next.



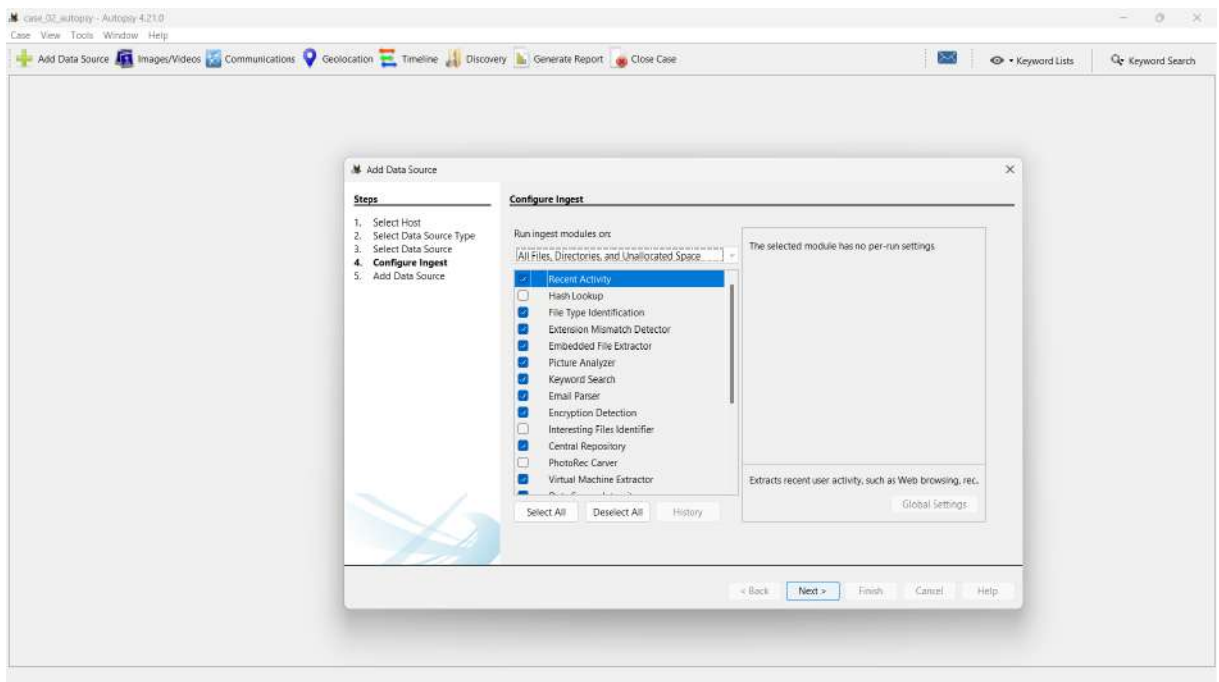
5. In the Select Data Source Type, click "Local Disk" and click on Next.



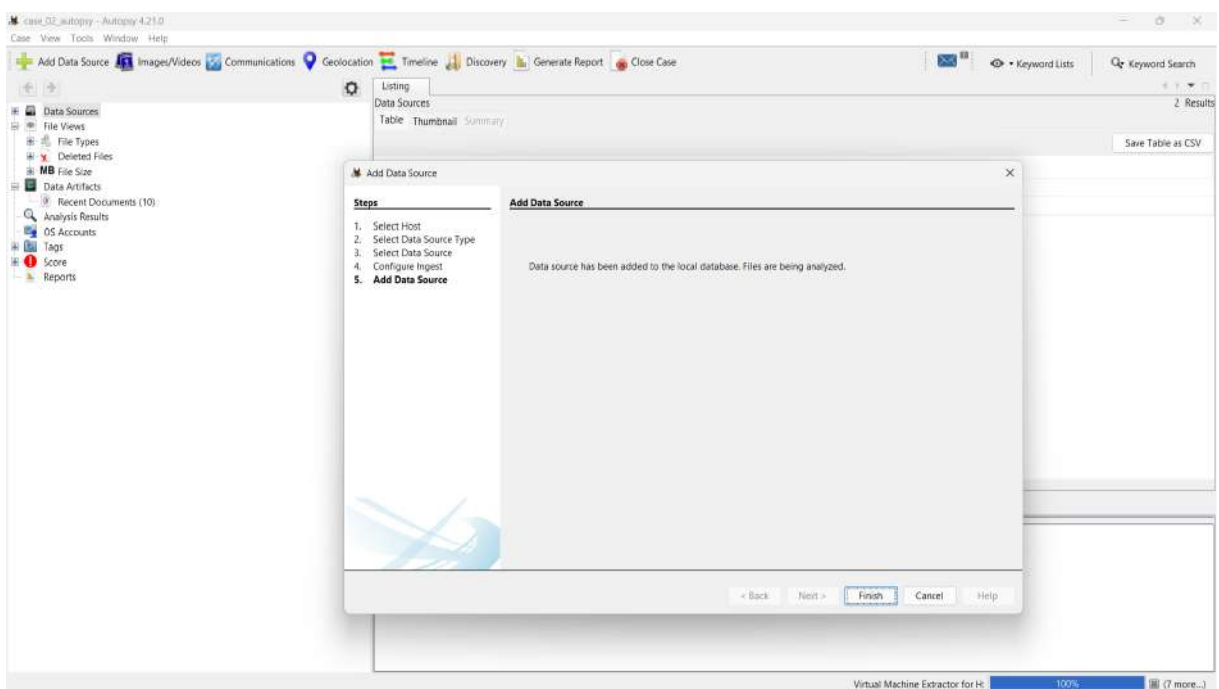
6. Select the Disk as given in the screenshot and click on Next.



7. Next, select the settings in the configure ingest module window, and then click on Next.



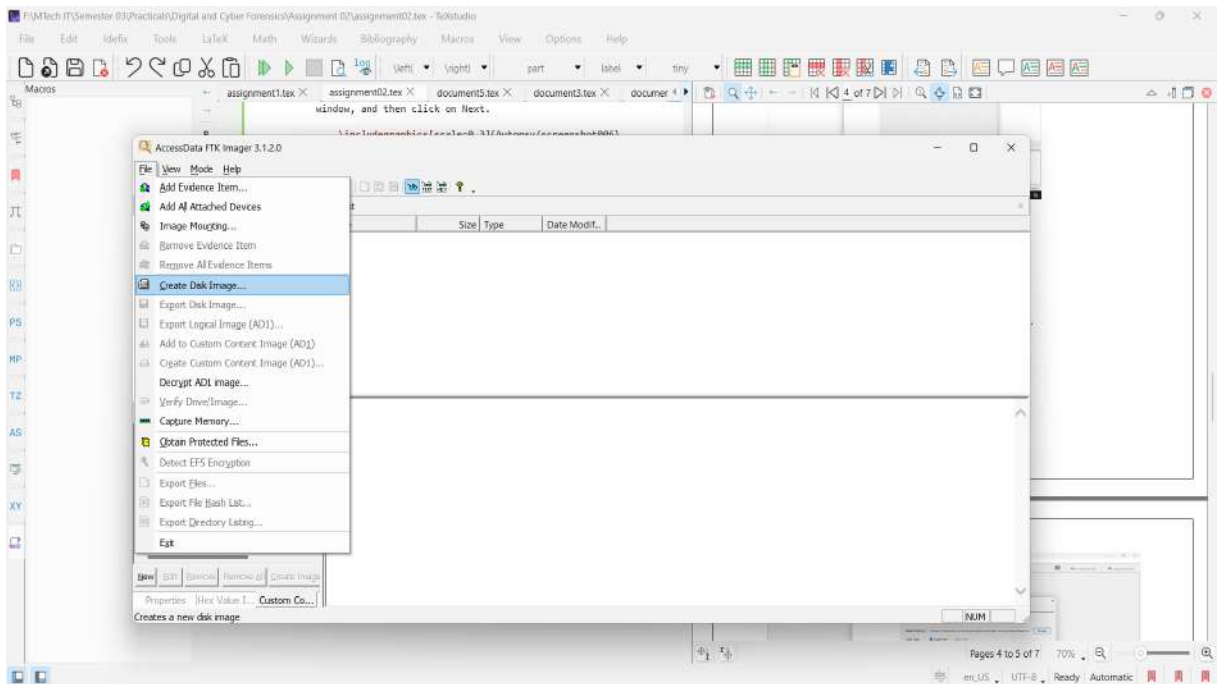
8. Now, click on Finish.



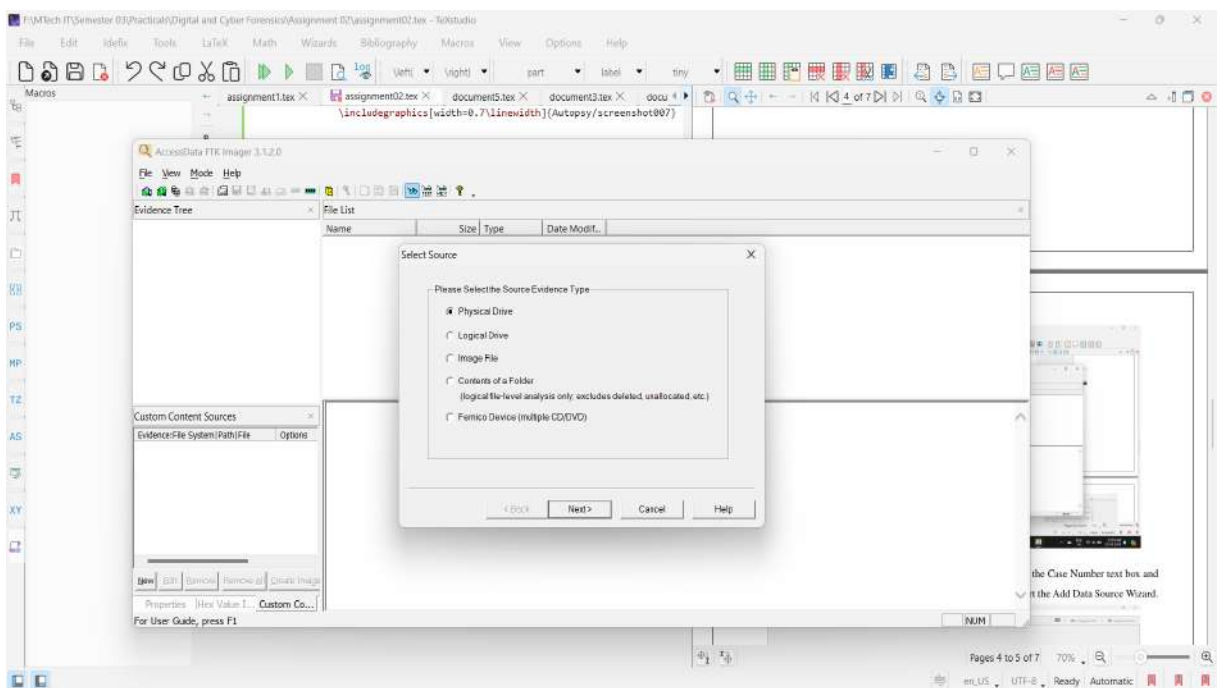
2.2 Perform using AccessData FTK Imager

Steps to make forensic image using AccessData FTK Imager are as follows: -

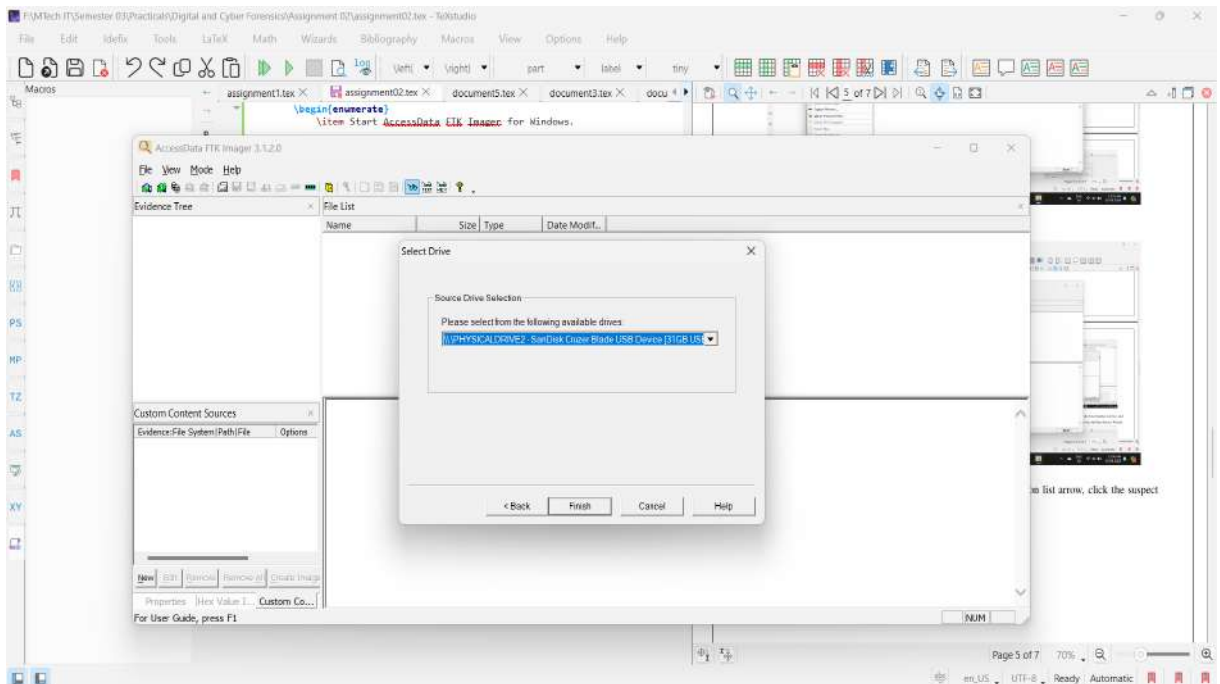
1. Start AccessData FTK Imager for Windows.
2. In AccessData FTK Imager, click on File → Create Disk Image.



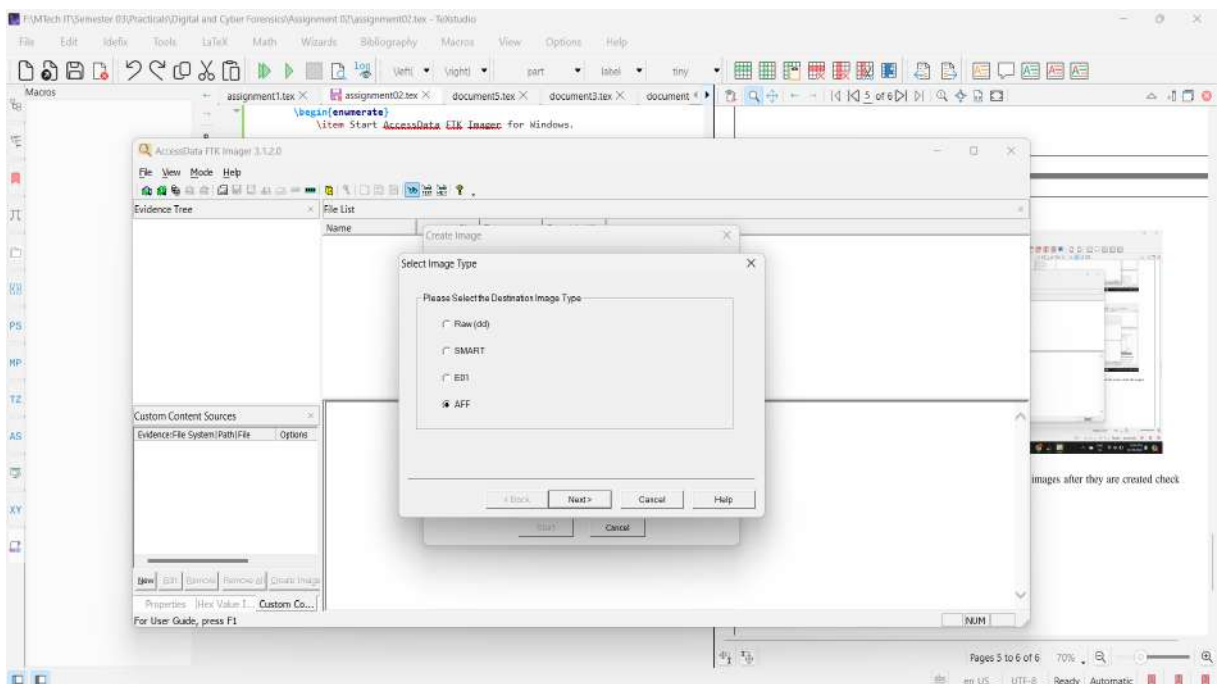
3. Click on Physical Drive and click on Next.



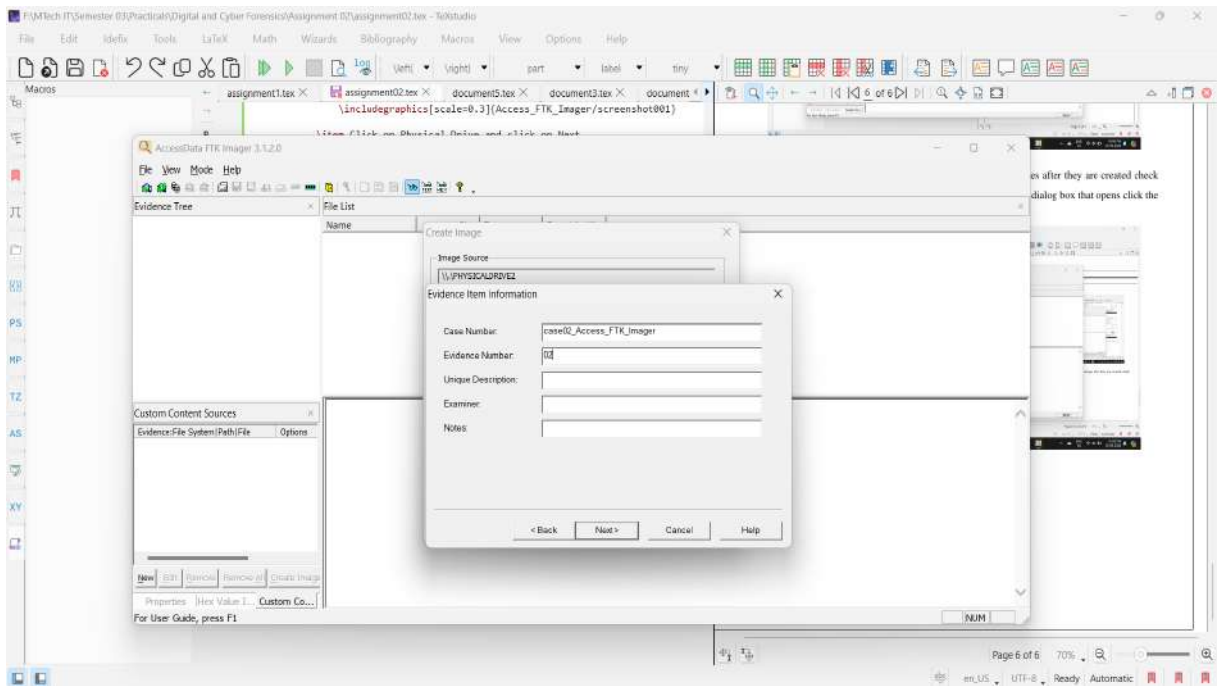
4. In the Select Drive dialog box, click the Source Drive Selection list arrow, click the suspect drive, and then click Finish.



5. In the Create Image dialog box, click to select the Verify images after they are created check box, if necessary, and then click Add. In the Select Image Type dialog box that opens click the AFF option button, if necessary, and then click Next.

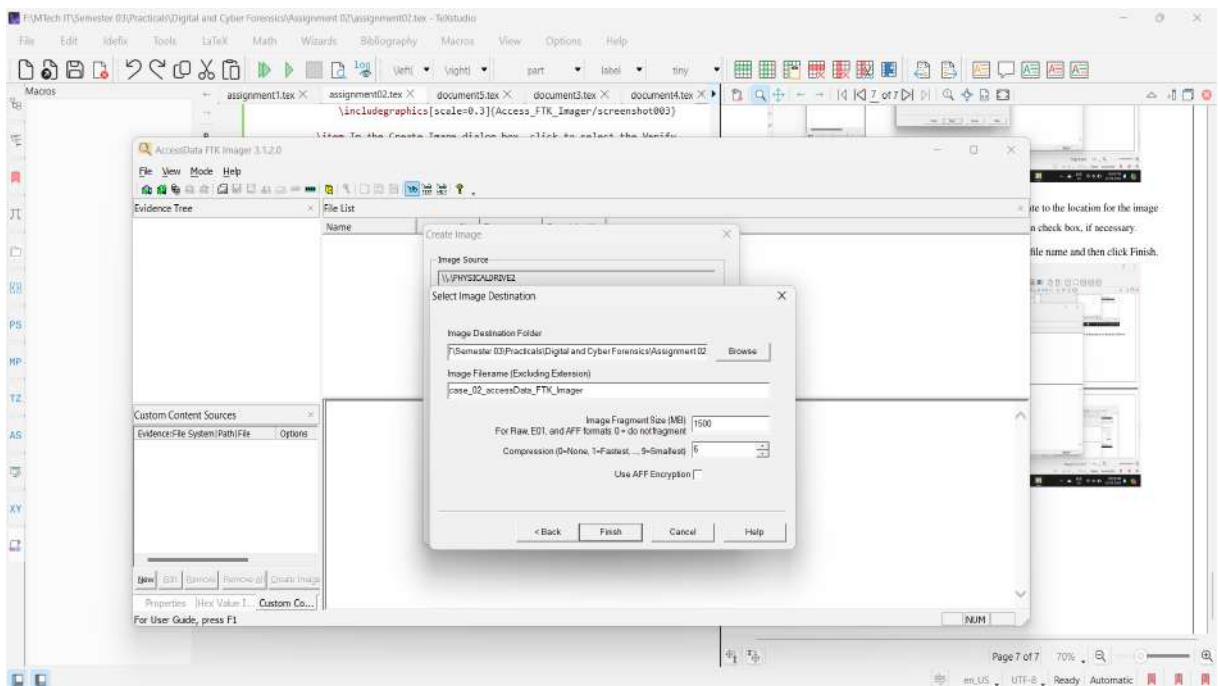


6. In the Evidence Item Information dialog box, complete the case information as shown in below figure, and then click Next.

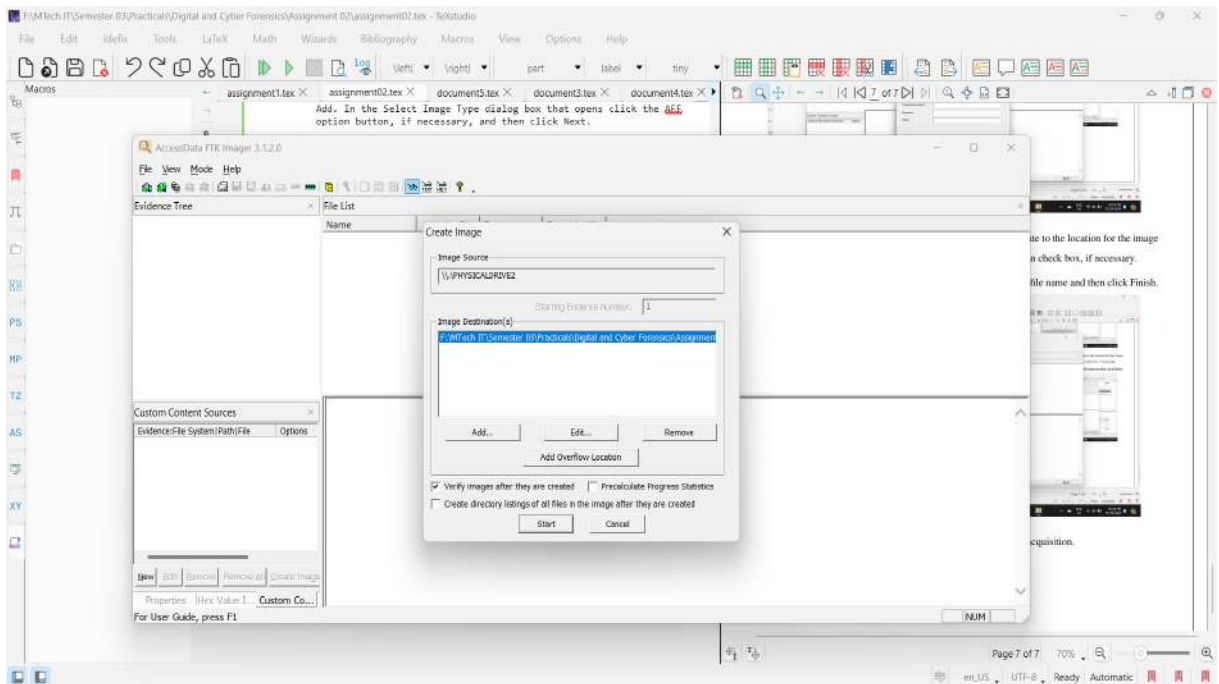


7. In the Select Image Destination dialog box click Browse, navigate to the location for the image file (your work folder), and click to clear the Use AD Encryption check box, if necessary.

In the Image Filename (Excluding Extension) text box, type the file name and then click Finish.



8. Next, in the Create Image dialog box, click Start to initiate the acquisition.



9. When FTK Imager finishes the acquisition, review the information in the Drive/Image Verify Results dialog box, and then click Close. Click Close again in the Creating Image dialog box.

2.3 Perform using ProDiscover

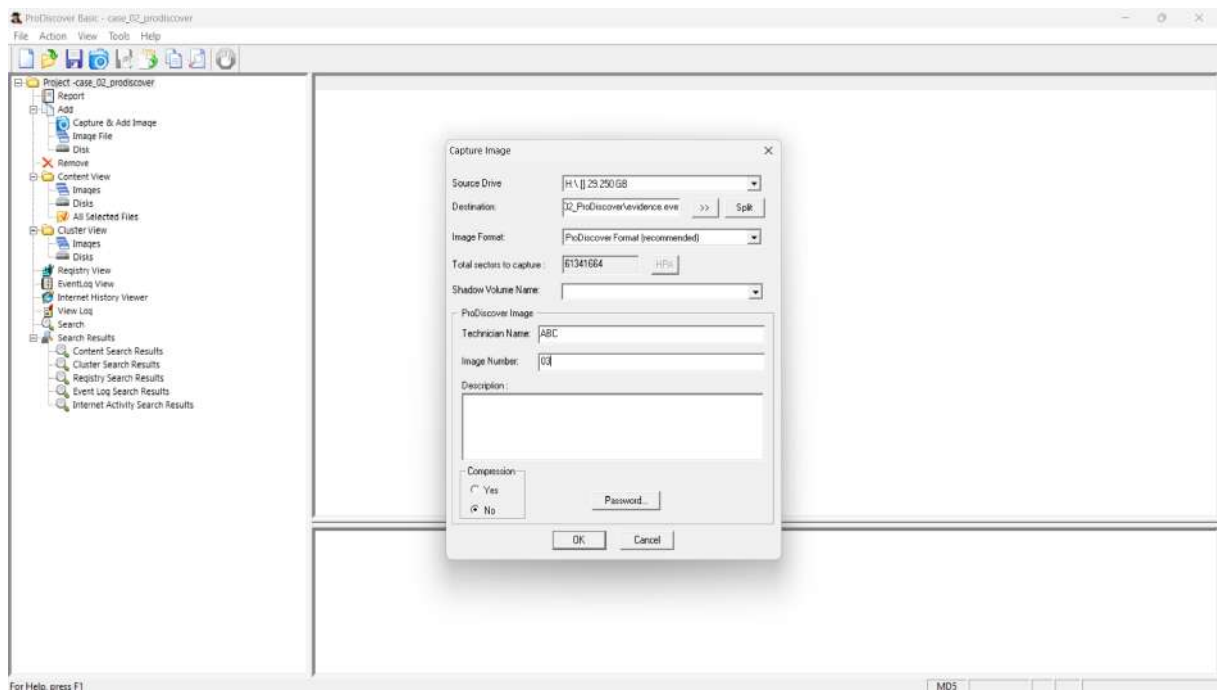
Steps to make forensic image using ProDiscover are as follows: -

1. Start ProDiscover for Windows.
2. Next, under "New Project" section, type the Project Number and Project File Name, and then click on Open.



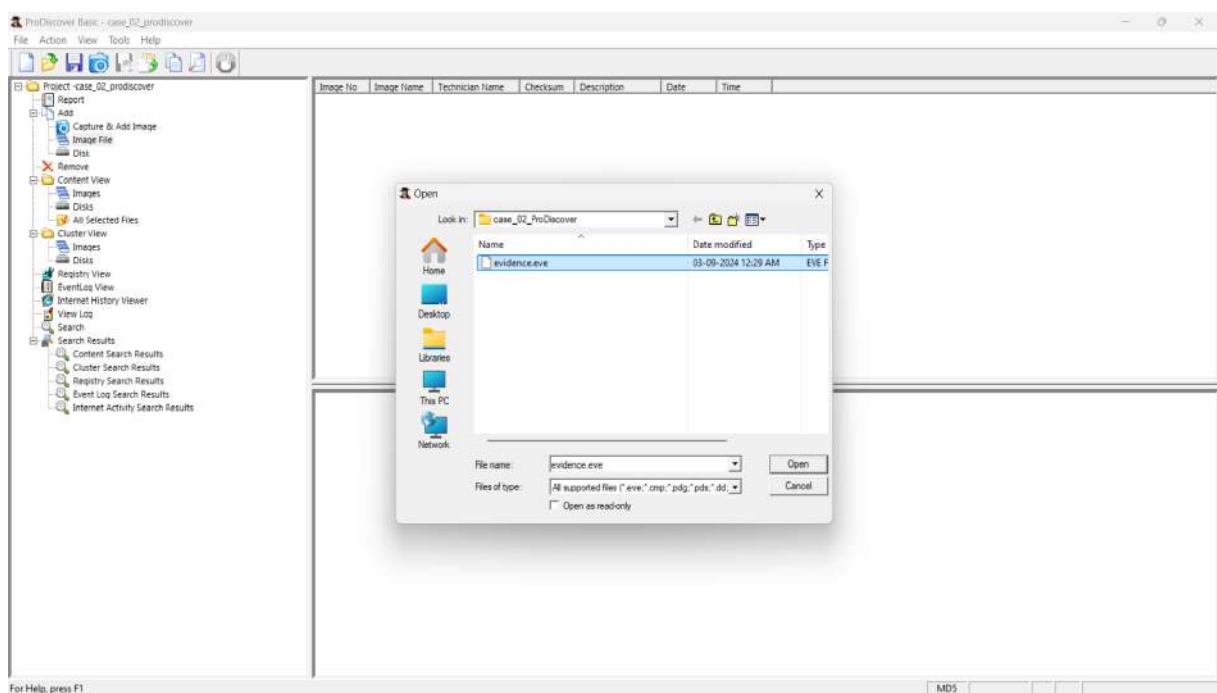
3. Click on Action → Capture Image

4. In the Capture Image, select the Source Drive and the destination you want to save at. Then, click on OK.



5. Image capture is complete.

6. Now, mount the image by clicking on Add → Image File, and then select the .eve file. Then, click on Open.



7. Now the steps are complete.

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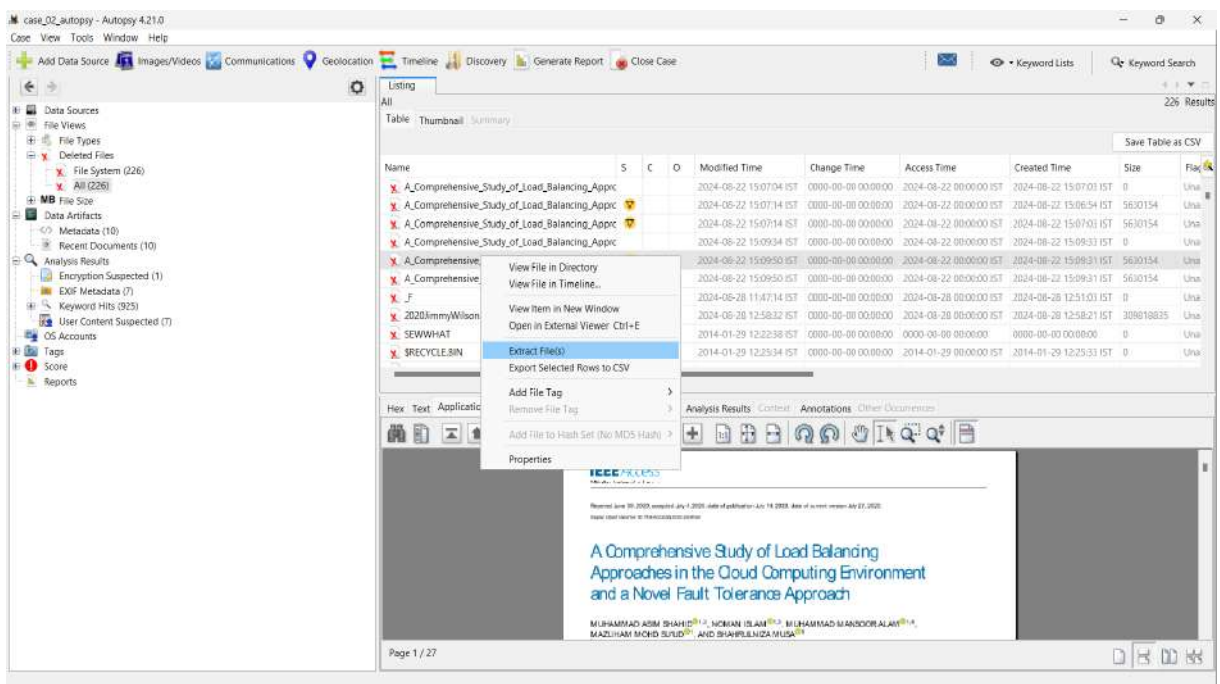
To Recover a Deleted File using Forensic Tools (FTK Imager, Autopsy, ProDiscover).

2 Different tools used for Forensic Investigation

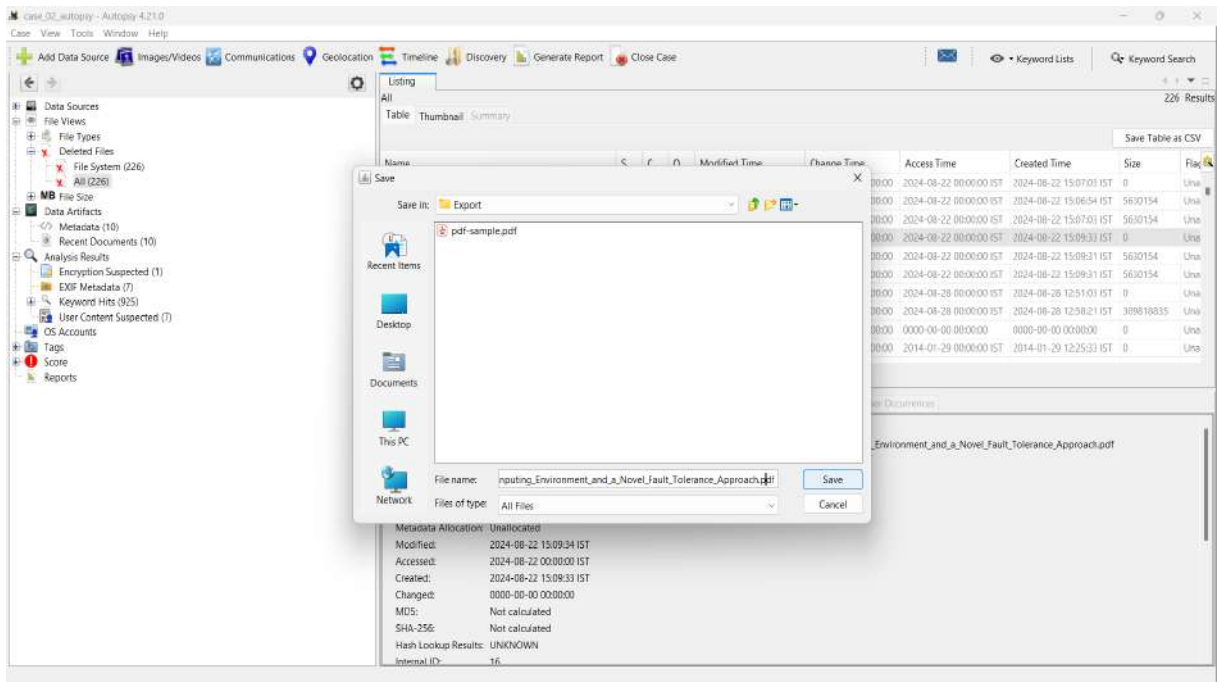
2.1 Perform using Autopsy

Steps to recover deleted files using Autopsy are as follows: -

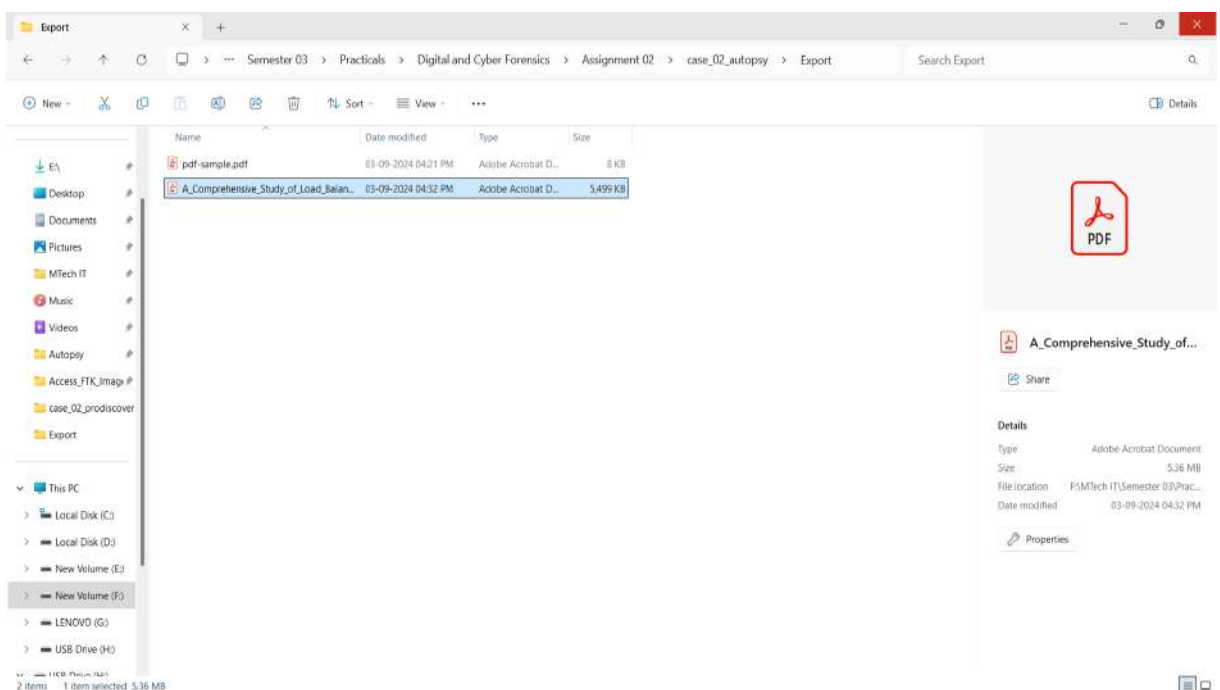
1. Start Autopsy for Windows.
2. Select the file you want to recover. Right-Click on the file → Extract File(s).



3. Select the directory where you want to save it, and then click on Save.



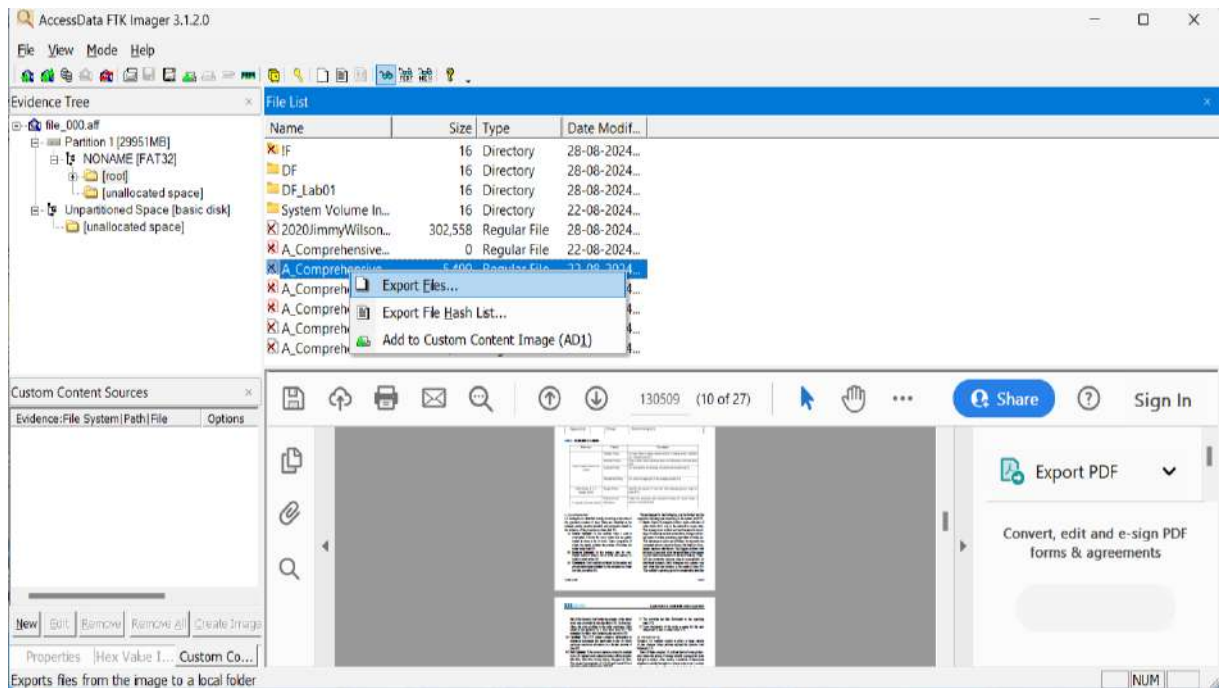
4. The file is now recovered as in the screenshot provided



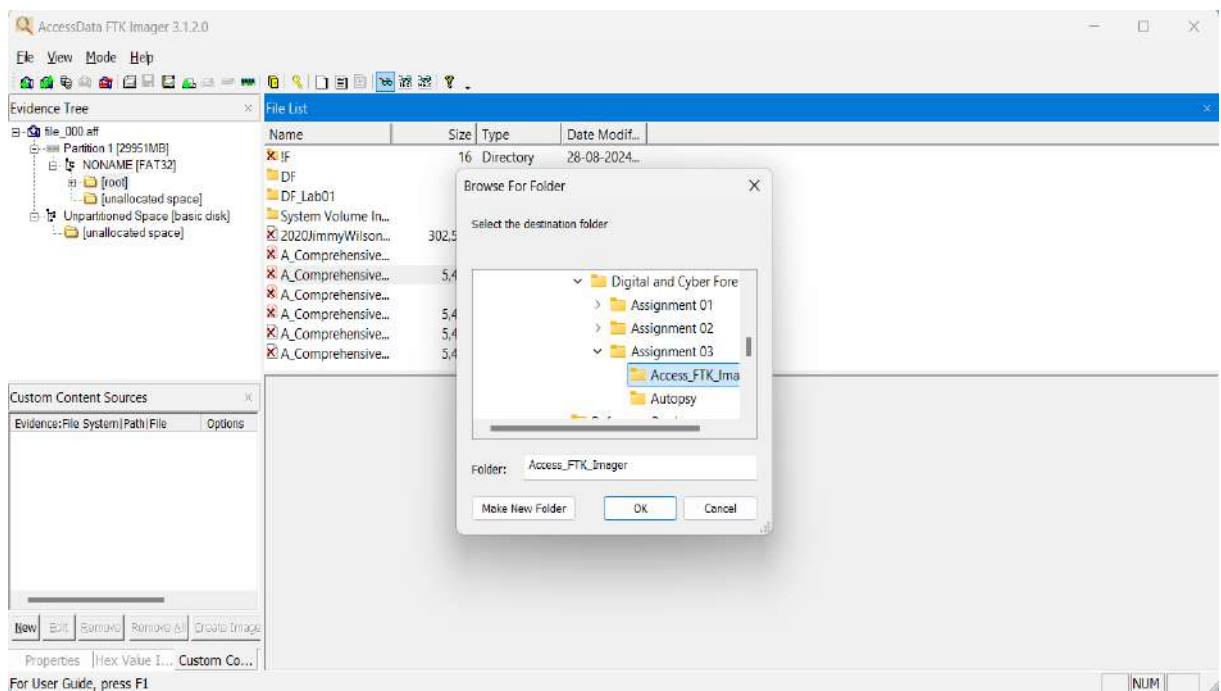
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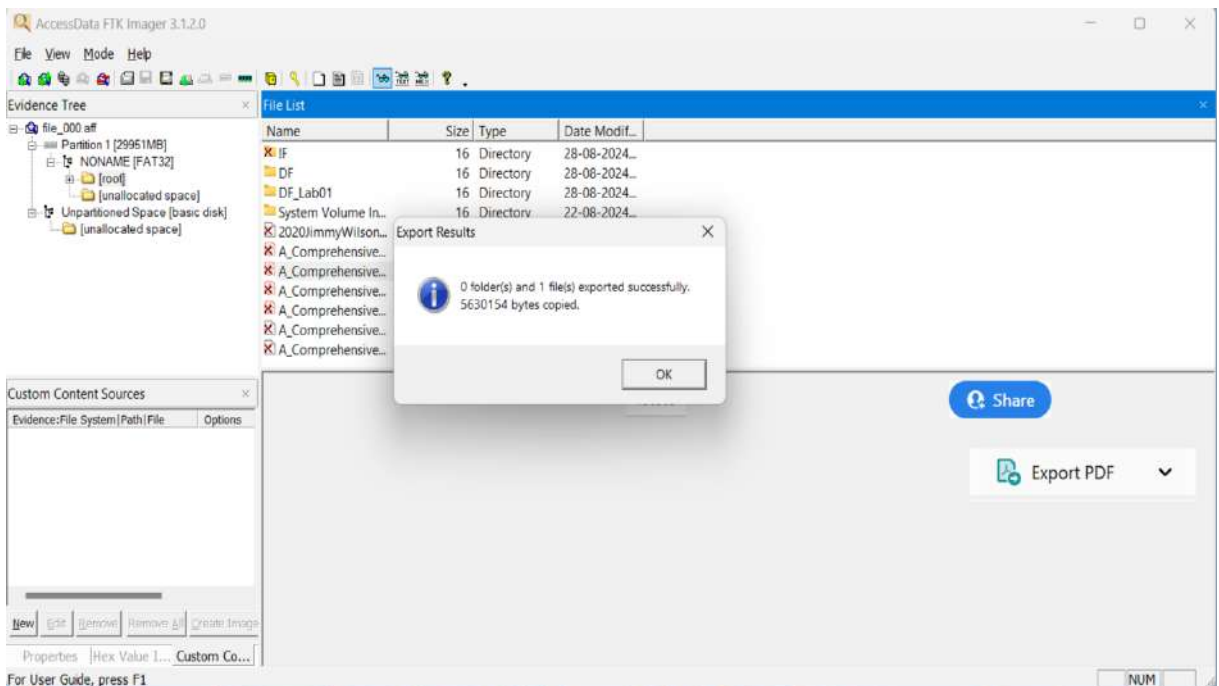
1. Start AccessData FTK Imager for Windows.
2. Select the file you want to recover. Right-Click on the file → Export File.



3. Select the Destination Folder you want to save and click OK.



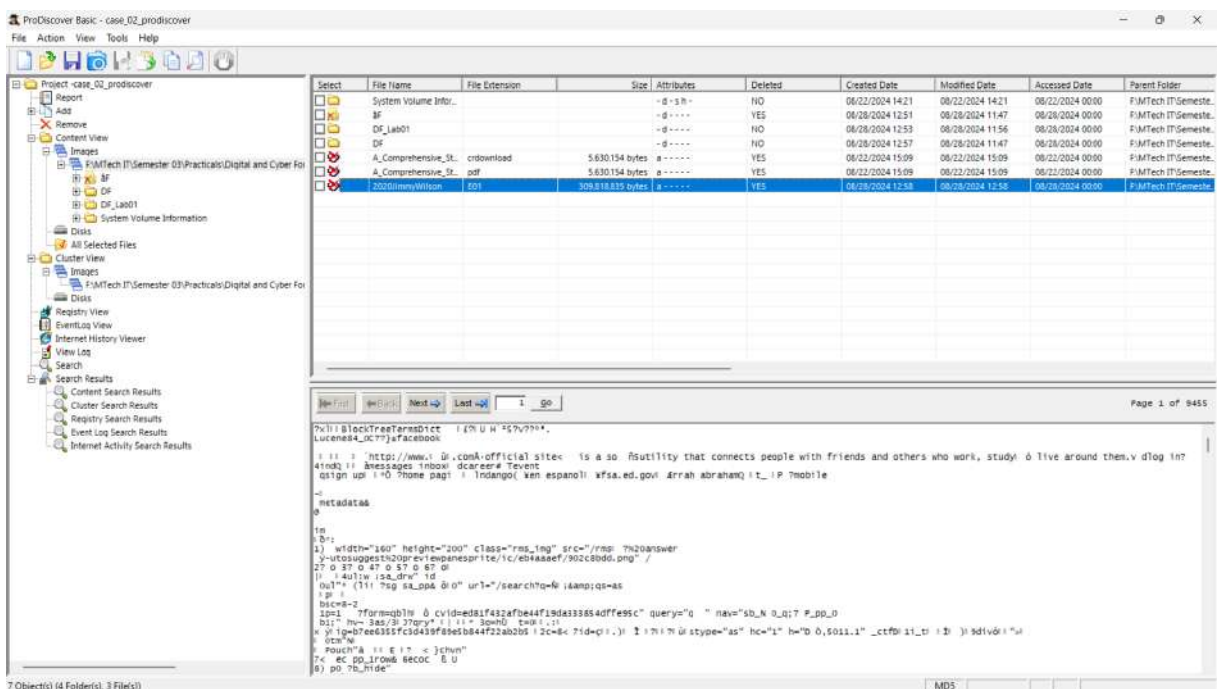
4. The file is exported/saved successfully.



2.3 Perform using ProDiscover

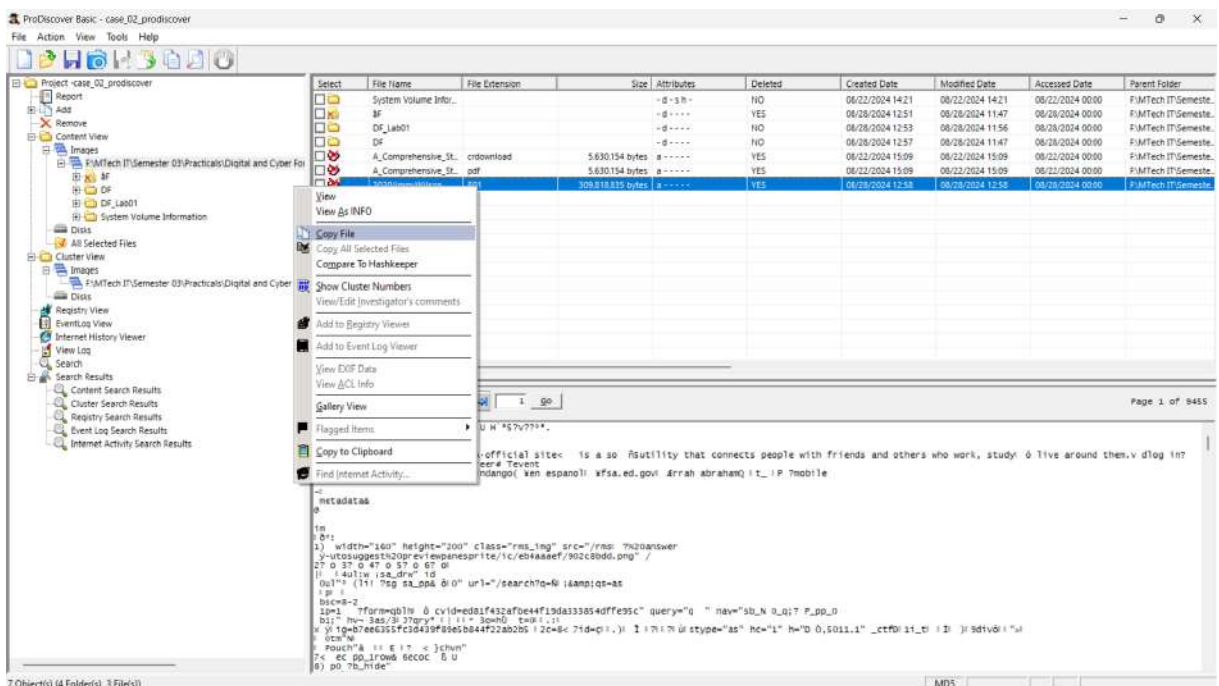
Steps to recover deleted files using ProDiscover are as follows: -

1. Start ProDiscover for Windows.
2. Open the project from which you want to recover the files from.
3. Select a file to recover from the work area.

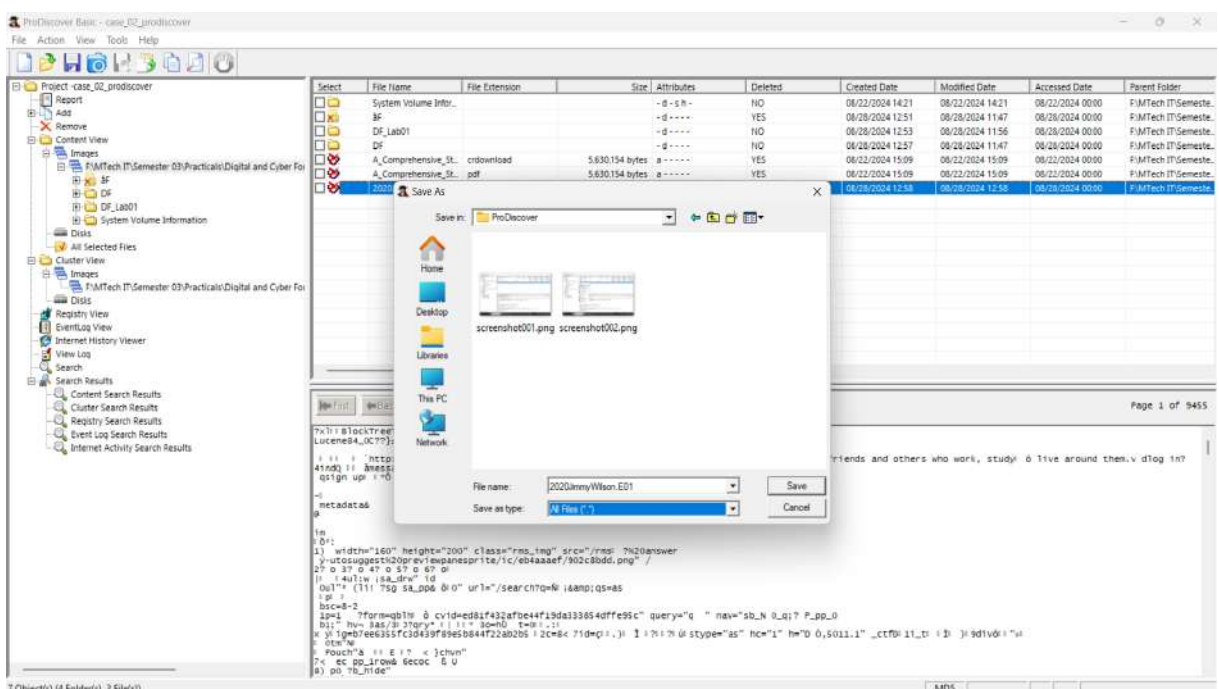


4. Right click on a file that you want to create a copy of the file.

5. ProDiscover a pop-up dialog with the choice to View or Recover the selected file. Select "Copy File".



6. Enter the desired location and file name to save the file as in the "Save As" dialog box that appears and click "Save".



7. The file has been recovered.

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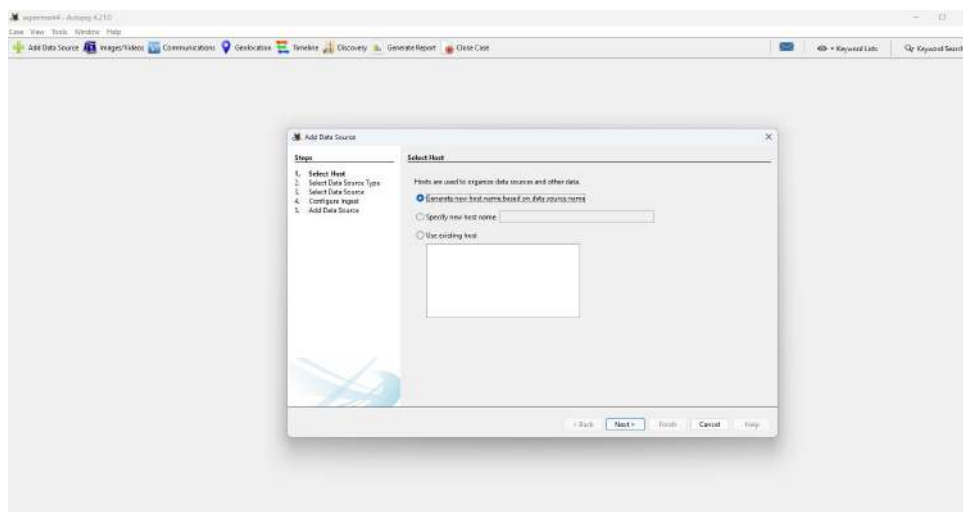
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To Find Last Connected USB from a Suspected Drive or Image (using Autopsy).

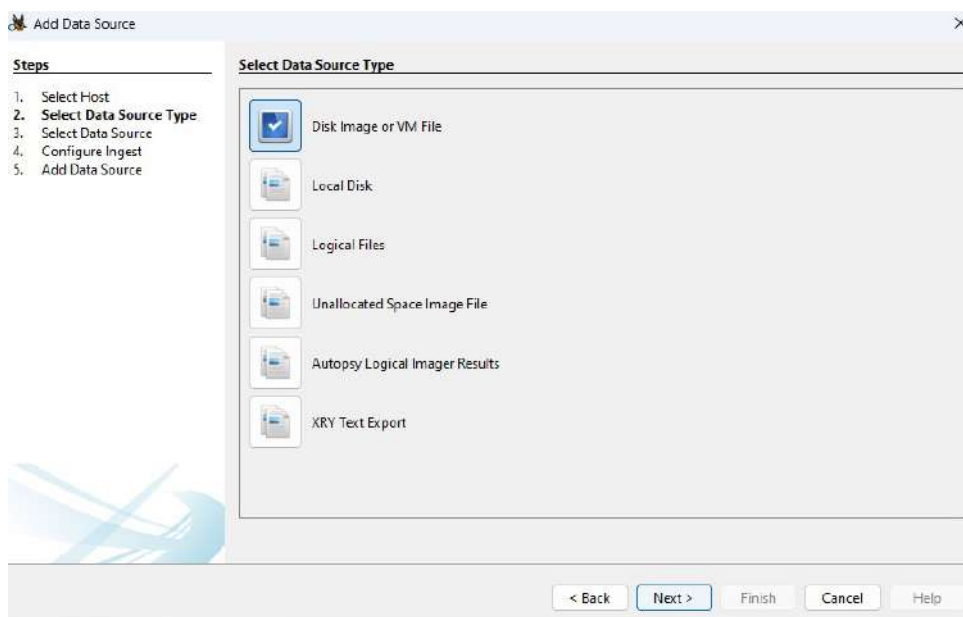
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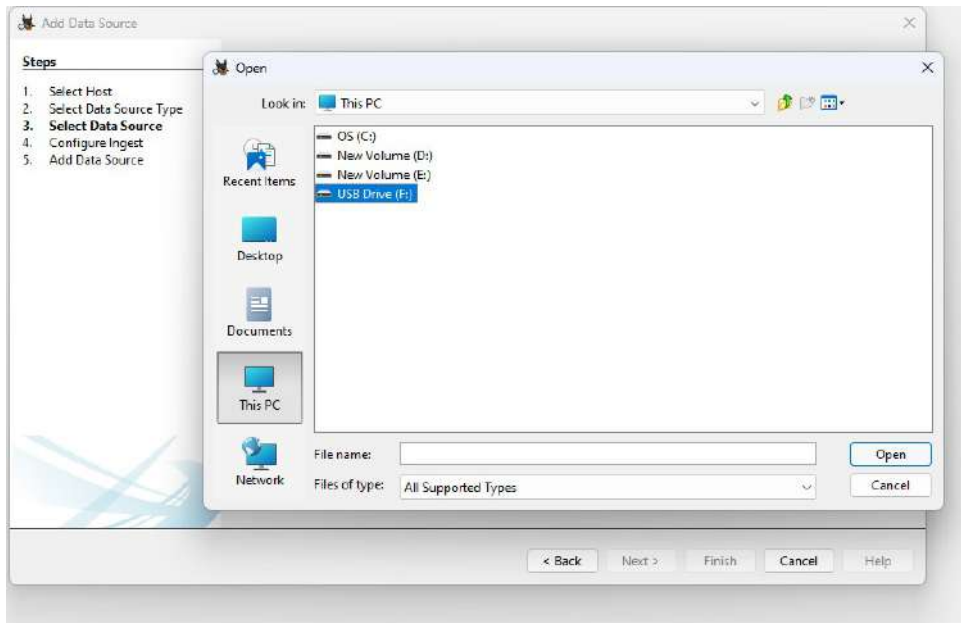
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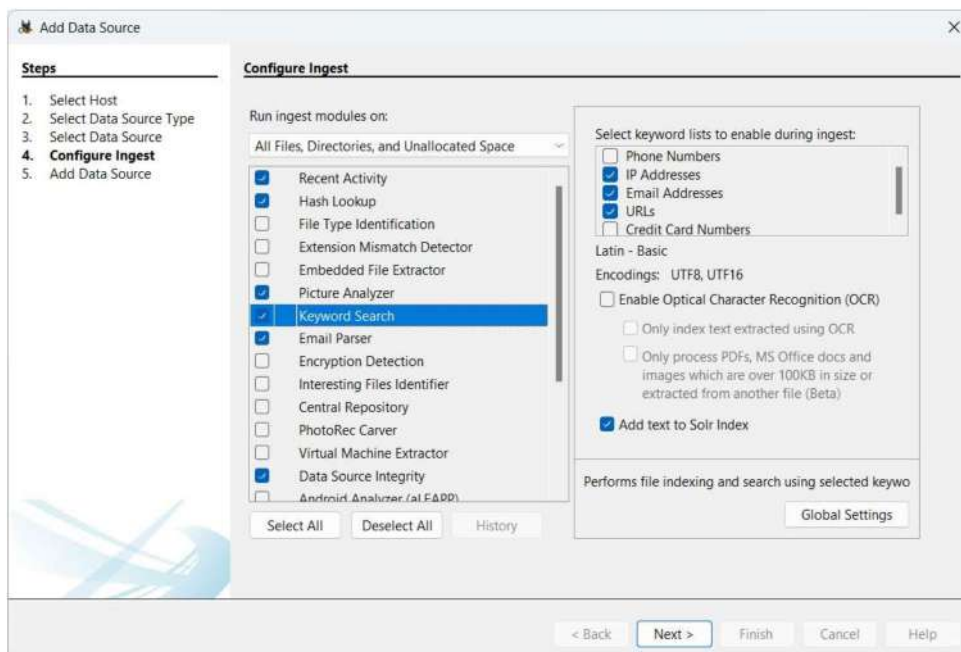
2. Select “Disk Image or VM File” and click Next.



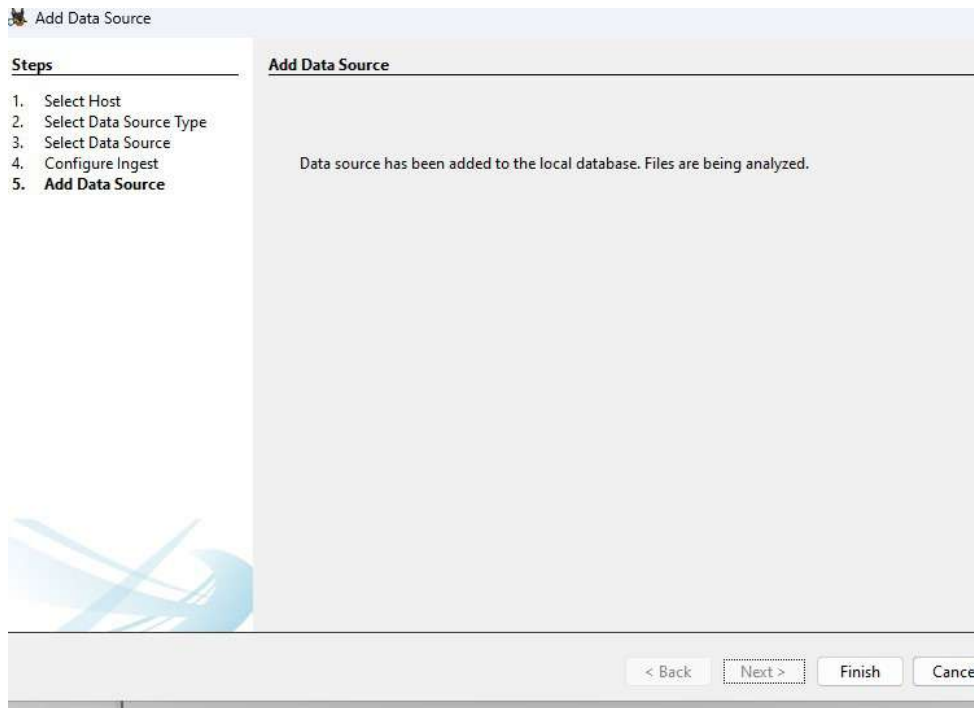
3. Browse the path and select the Disk Image (nps-2009-domexusers.E01) and click next.



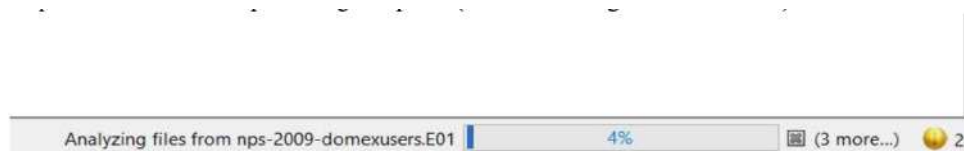
4. Select the ingest modules shown below.



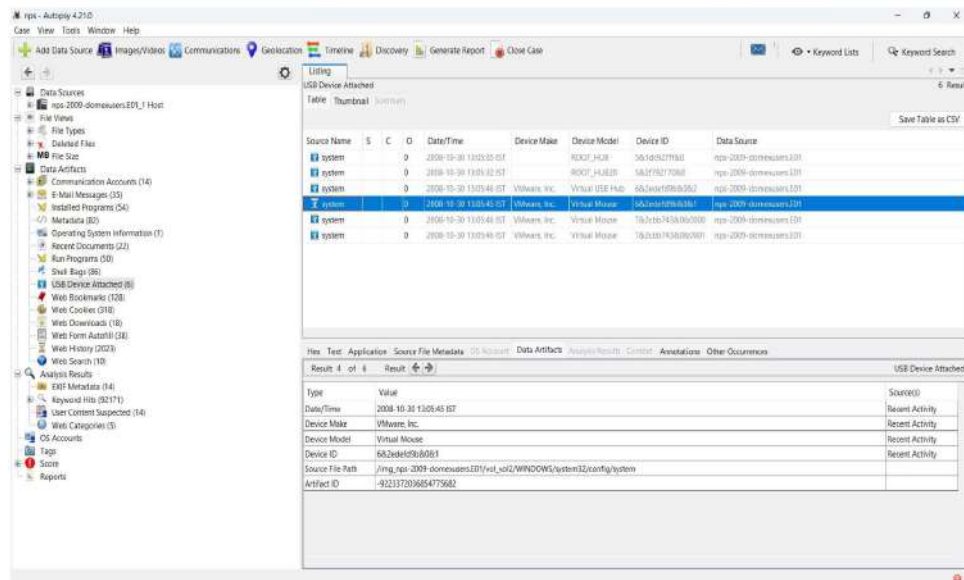
5. After the data source has been added, click Finish.



6. Now wait till the processing completes (in the bottom right of the window).



7. Under the “Data Artifacts” option, click on “USB Device Attached”.



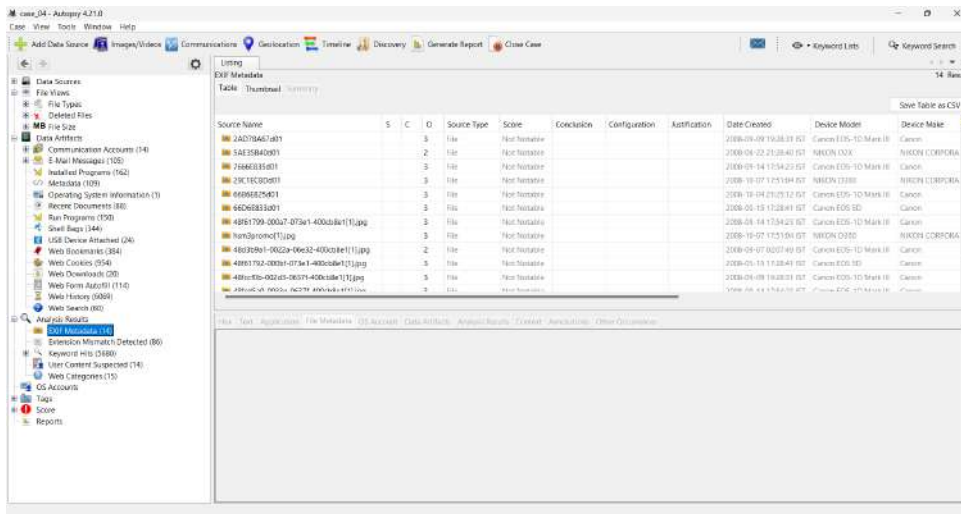
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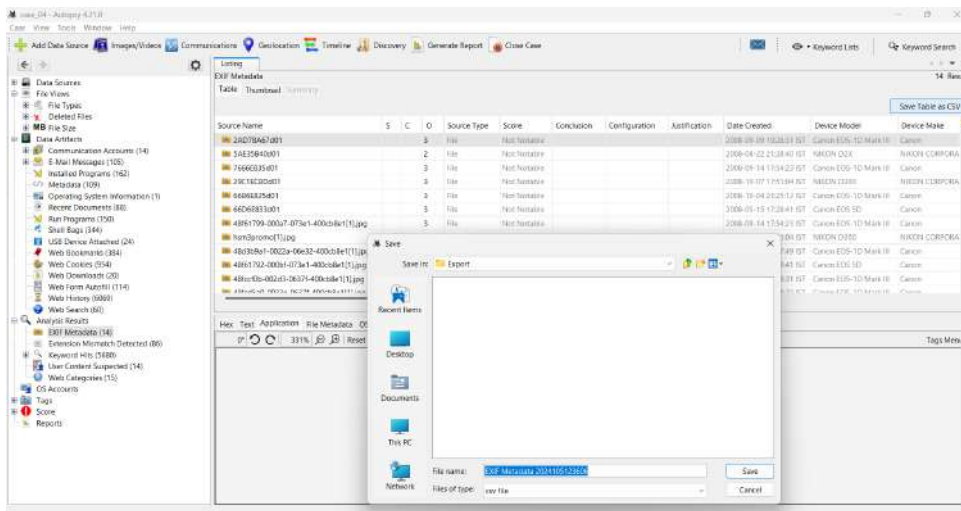
Extract Exchangeable image file format (EXIF) Data from Image Files (Using Autopsy).

2 Steps to extract EXIF Data from Image files.

1. Select the "EXIF Metadata" in the "Analysis Results" section as provided in the screenshot.



2. Select the "Save Table as CSV" button. Select the folder where you want to save the file, and the click on Save.



3. Open the CSV file. You will see the details of the image files as in the below screenshot.

EXIF Metadata 2024105123606 - Scan							
Source Name	Source Type	Score	Camera Cu	Just Date	Created	Device Model	Device Make
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54c35940802	File	Not Notable		2008-09-22 21:28:40 IST		NIKON D300	NIKON CORPORATION
70606937001	File	Not Notable		2008-09-14 17:54:23 IST		Canon EOS-30 Mark III	Canon
20C1EC80301	File	Not Notable		2008-10-07 17:51:04 IST		NIKON D300	NIKON CORPORATION
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hom3ynomo[1].jpg	File	Not Notable		2008-10-07 17:51:04 IST		NIKON D300	NIKON CORPORATION
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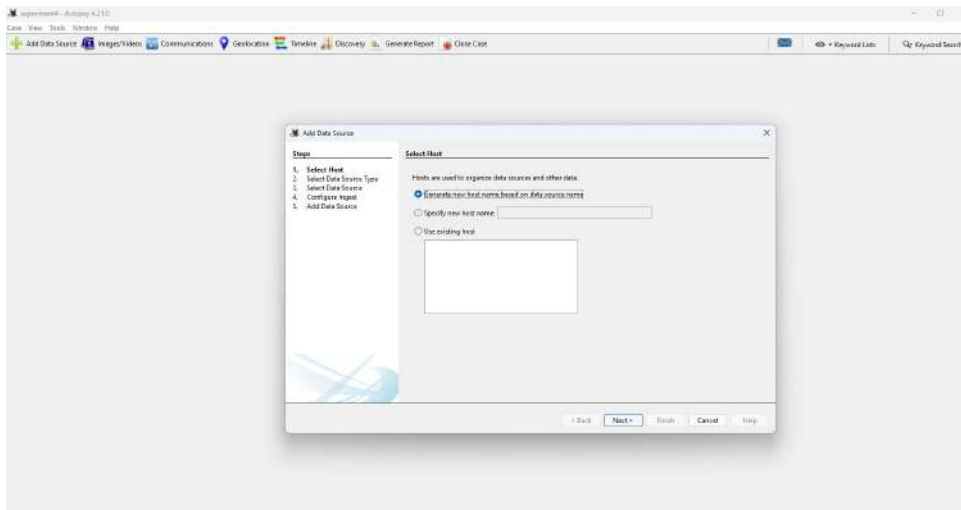
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To collect the Email Evidence from a Suspected Drive or Image (using Autopsy).

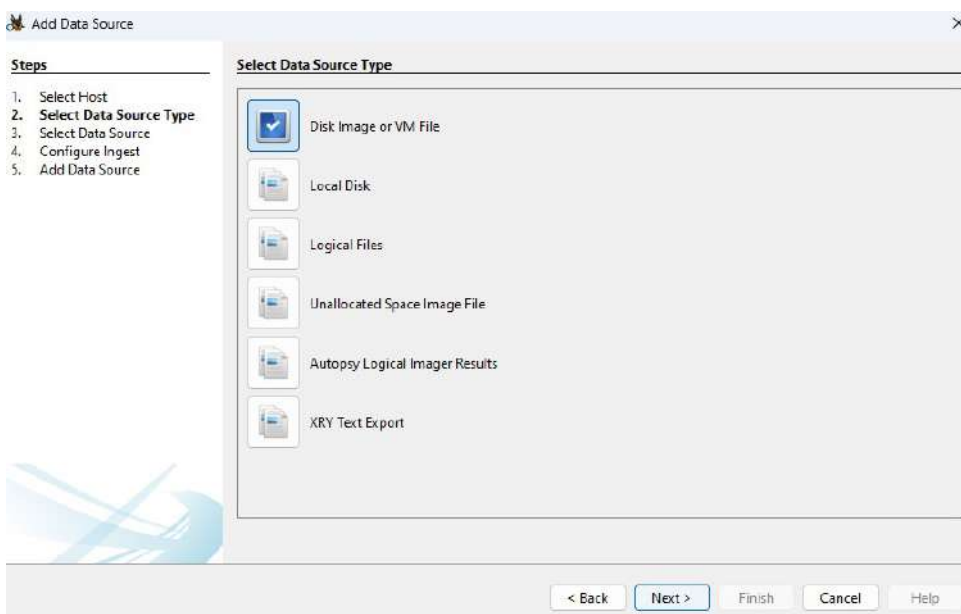
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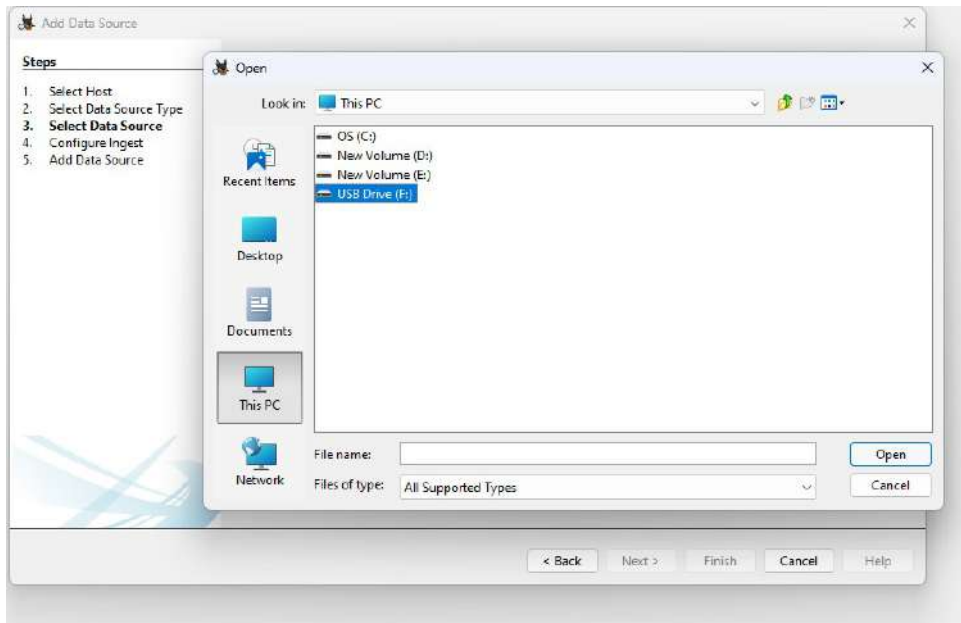
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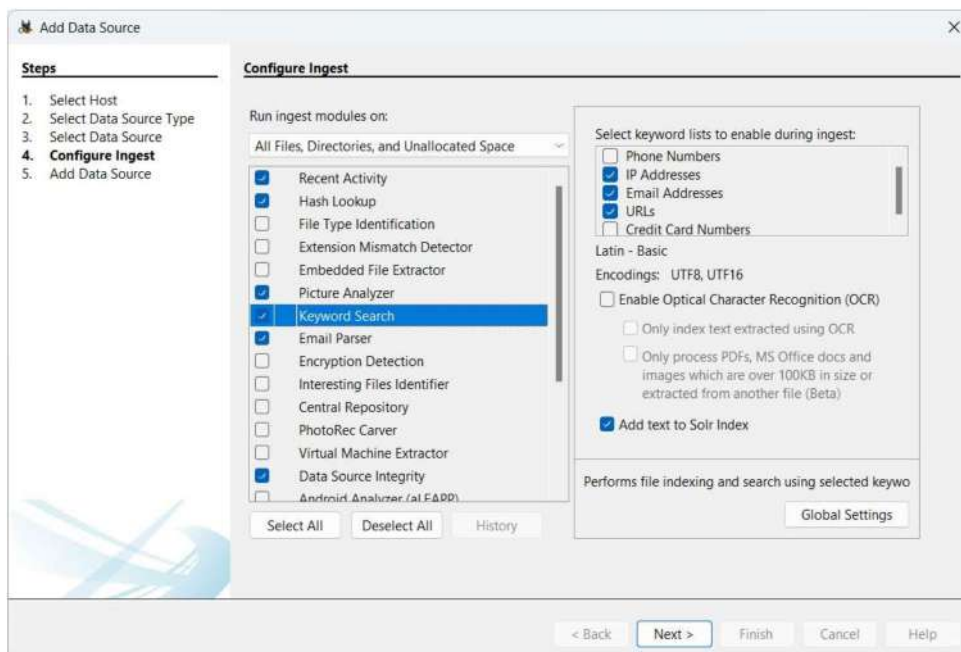
2. Select “Disk Image or VM File” and click Next.



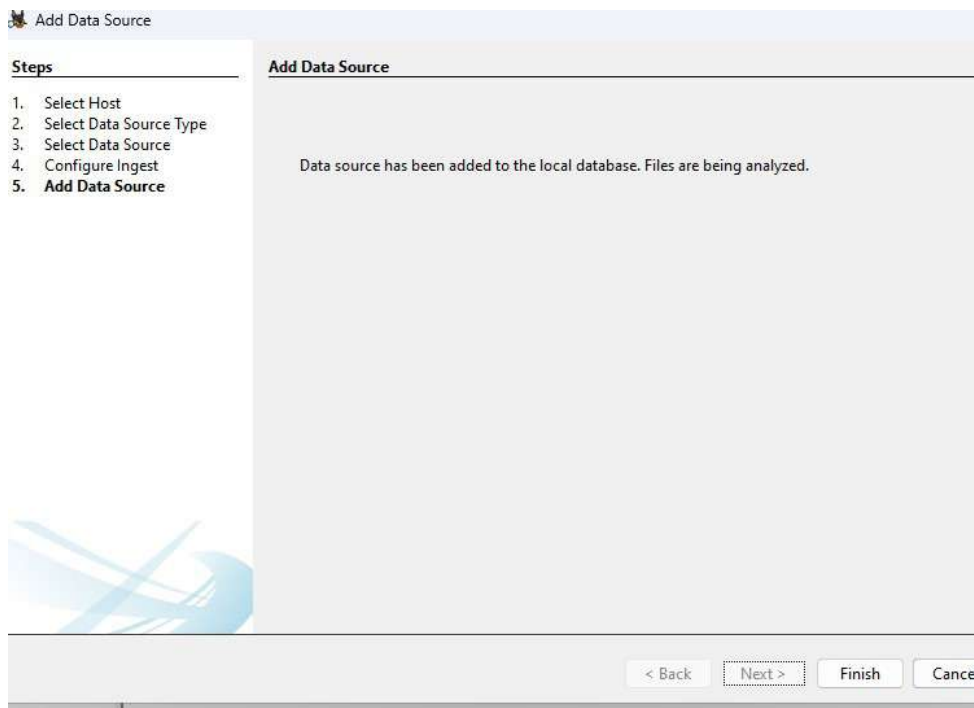
3. Browse the path and select the Disk Image (nps-2009-domexusers.E01) and click next.



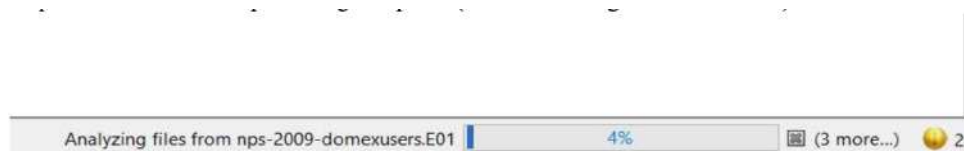
4. Select the ingest modules shown below.



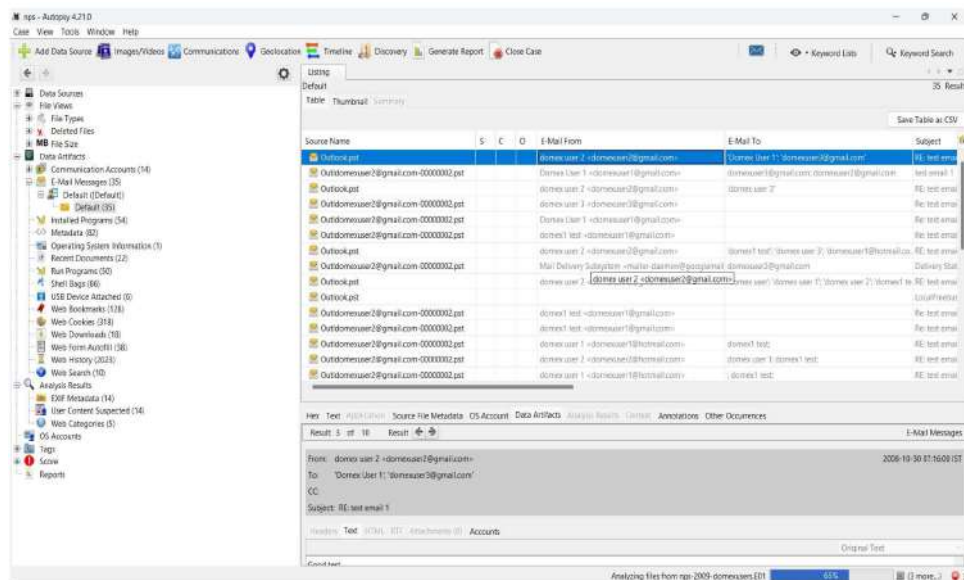
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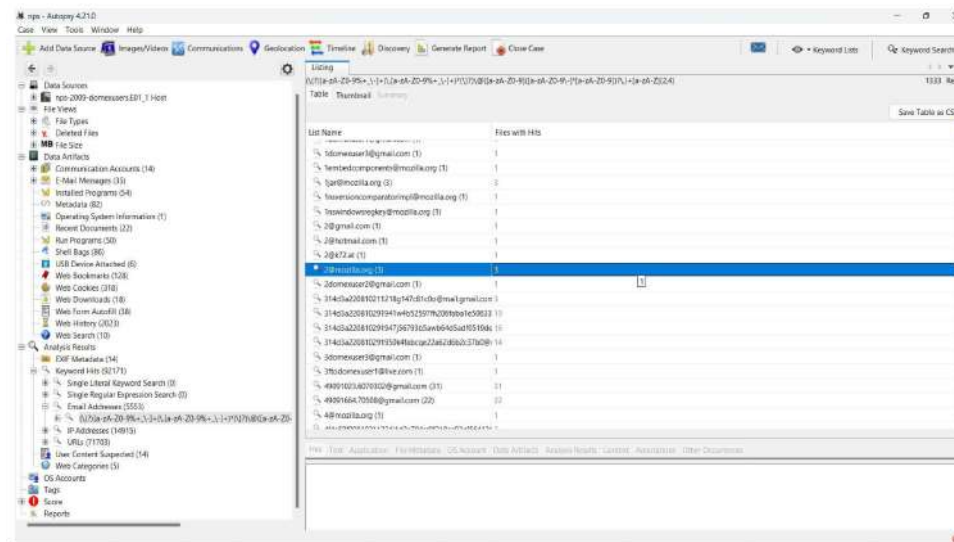


6. Now wait till the processing completes (in the bottom right of the window).



7. Under the “Data Artifacts” option, expand E-Mail Messages as shown below.





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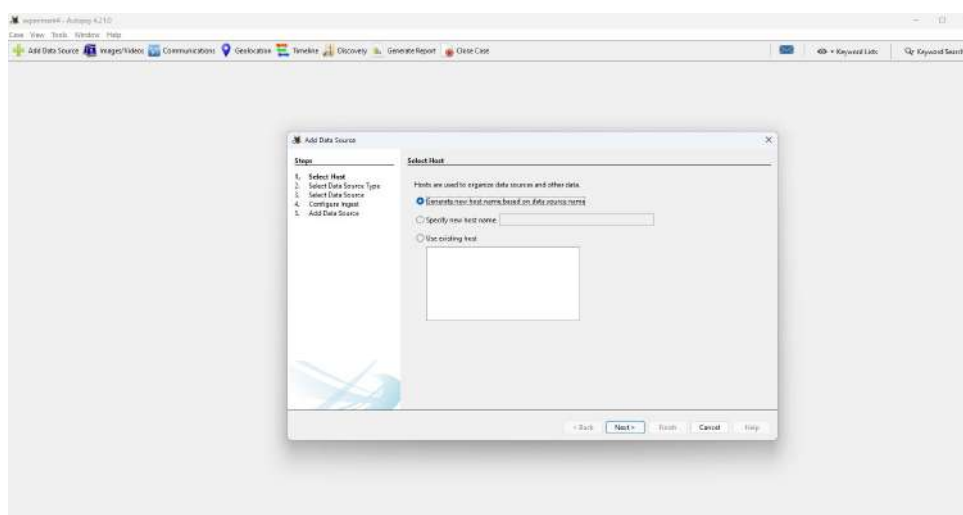
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To Extract Browser Artifacts from a Suspected Drive or Image (using Autopsy).

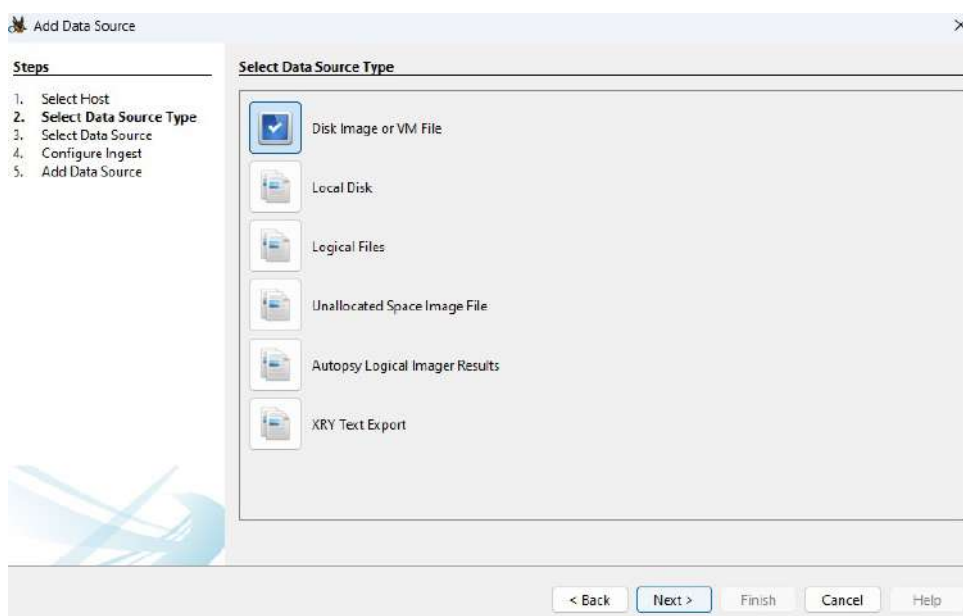
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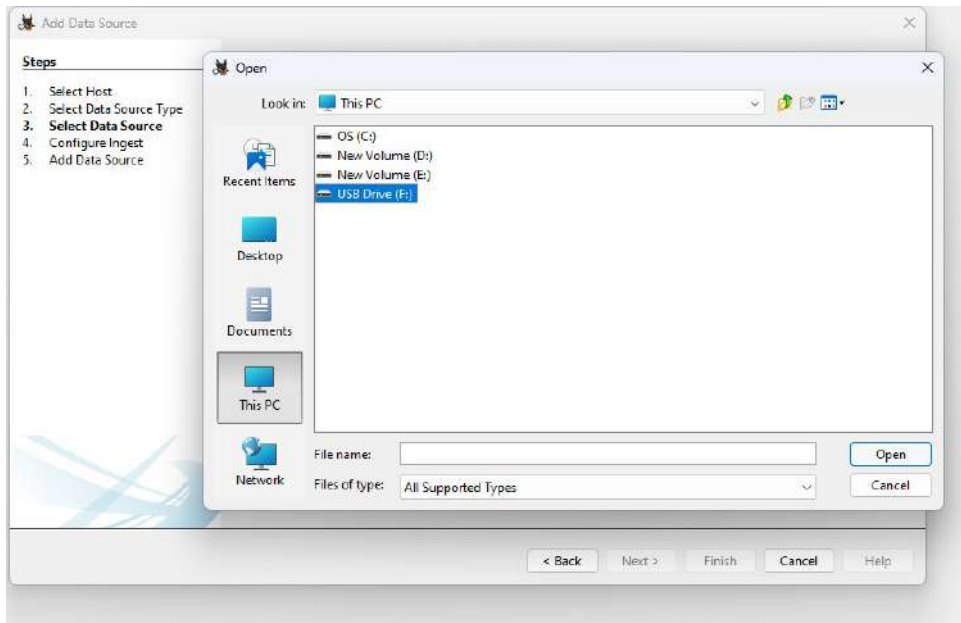
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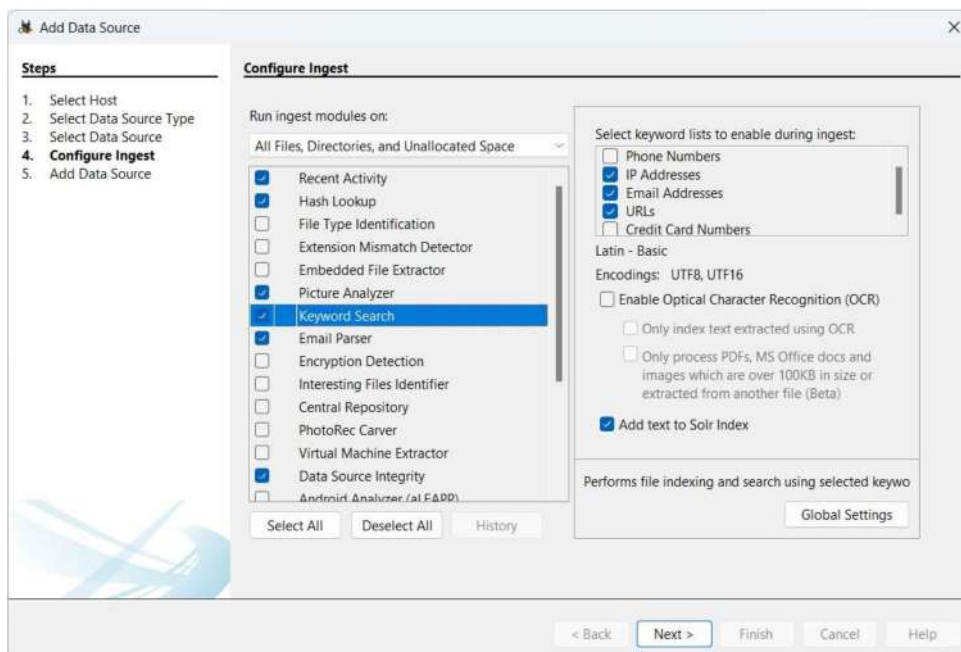
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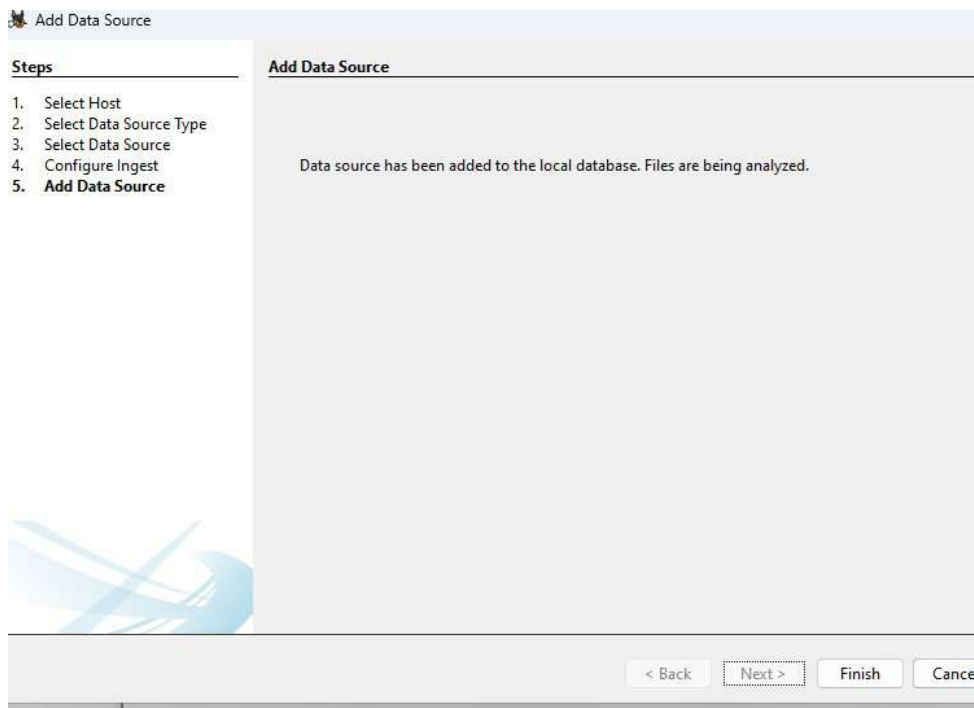
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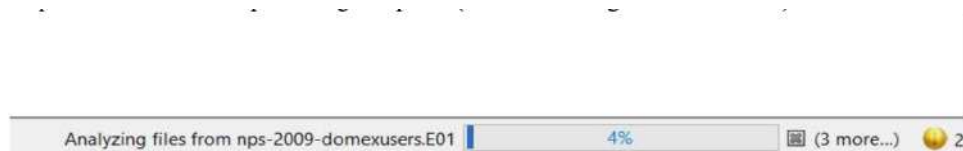
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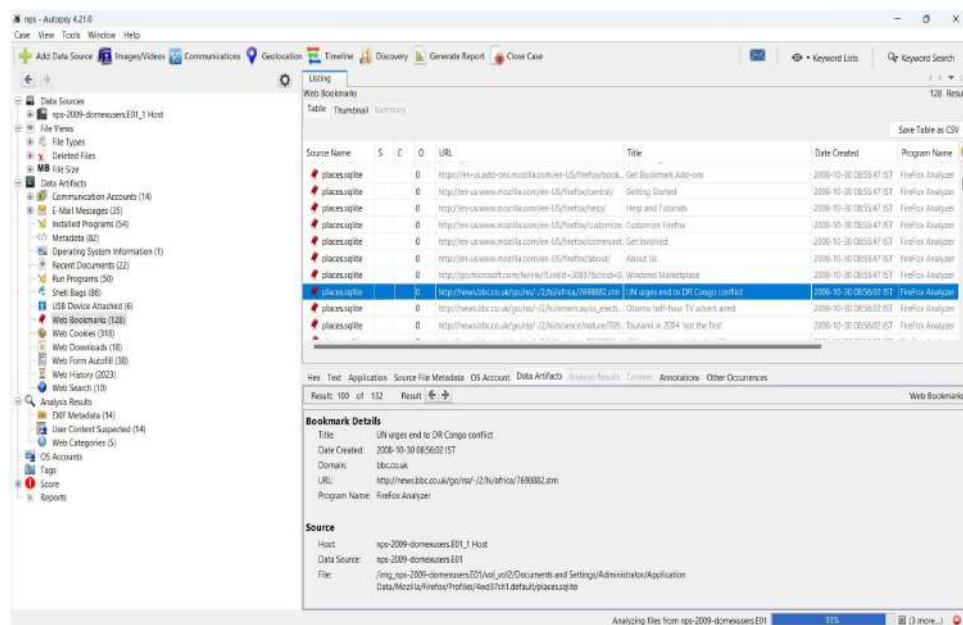
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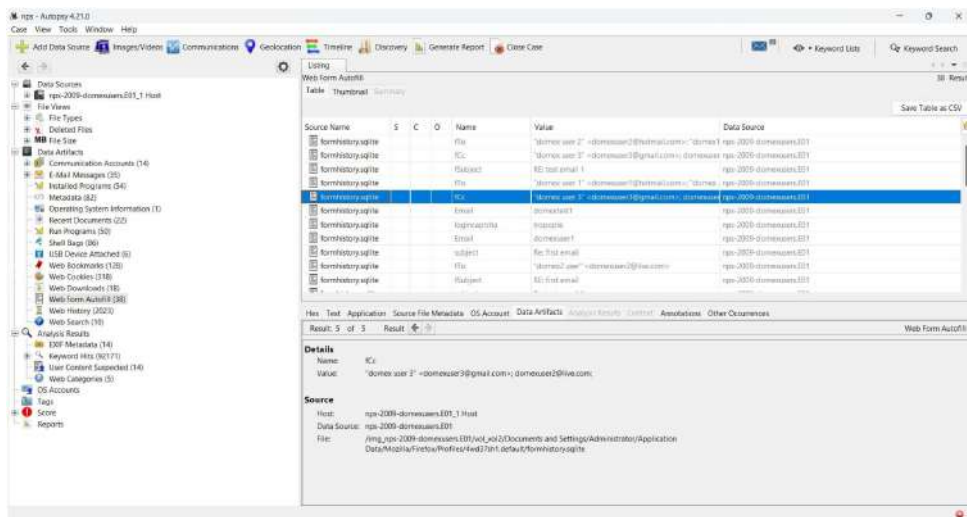


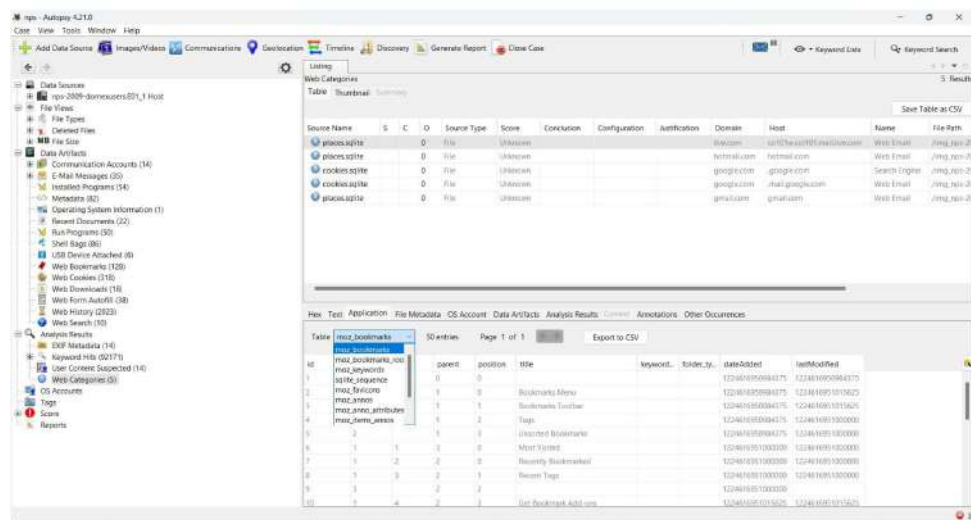
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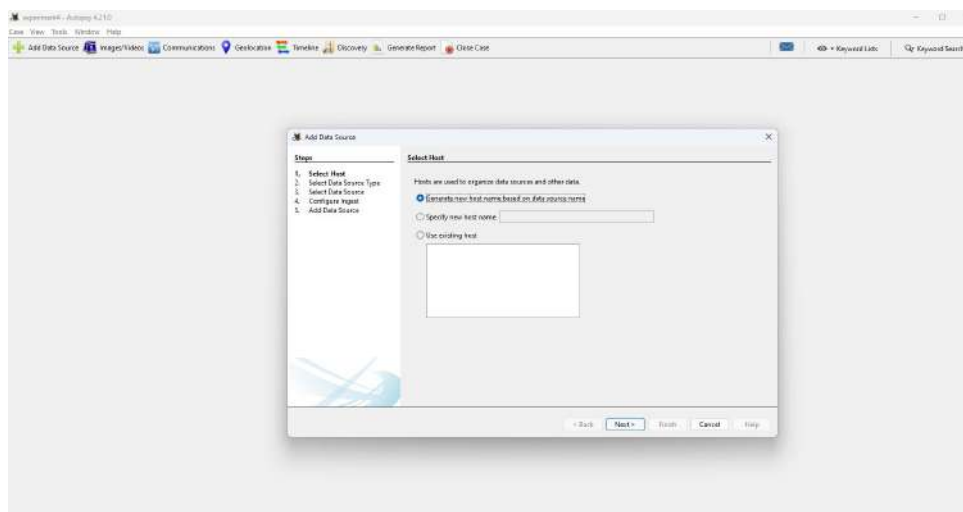
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Perform a full live forensics case investigation using Autopsy.

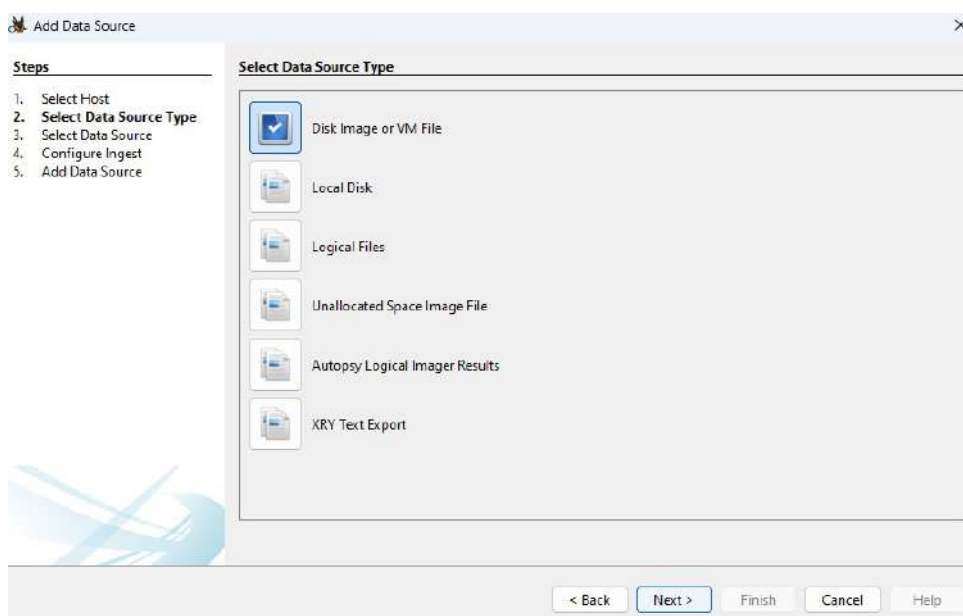
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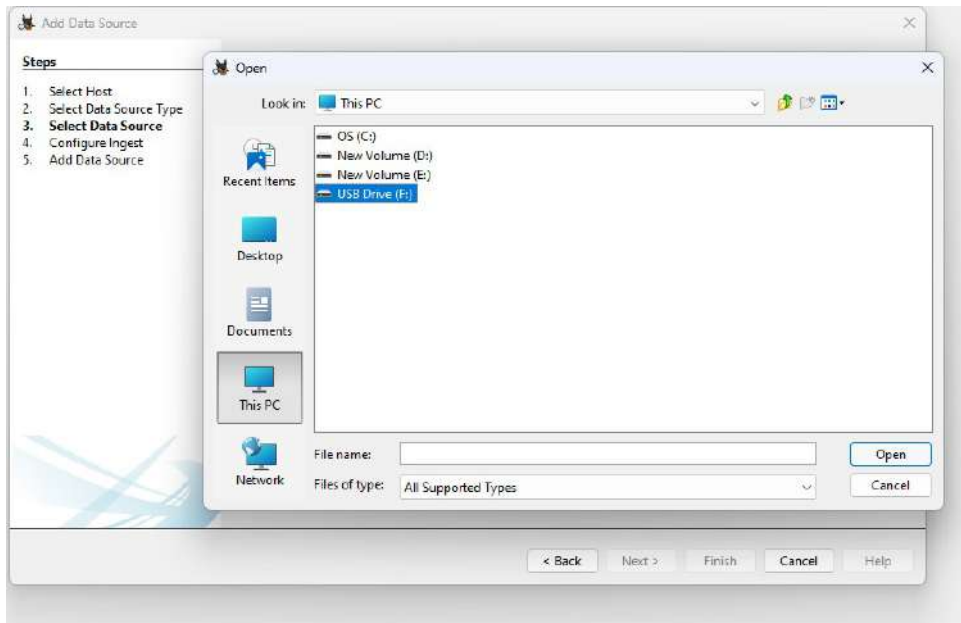
1. Run Autopsy software as Administrator. Create a new case and click on “Add Data Source”.



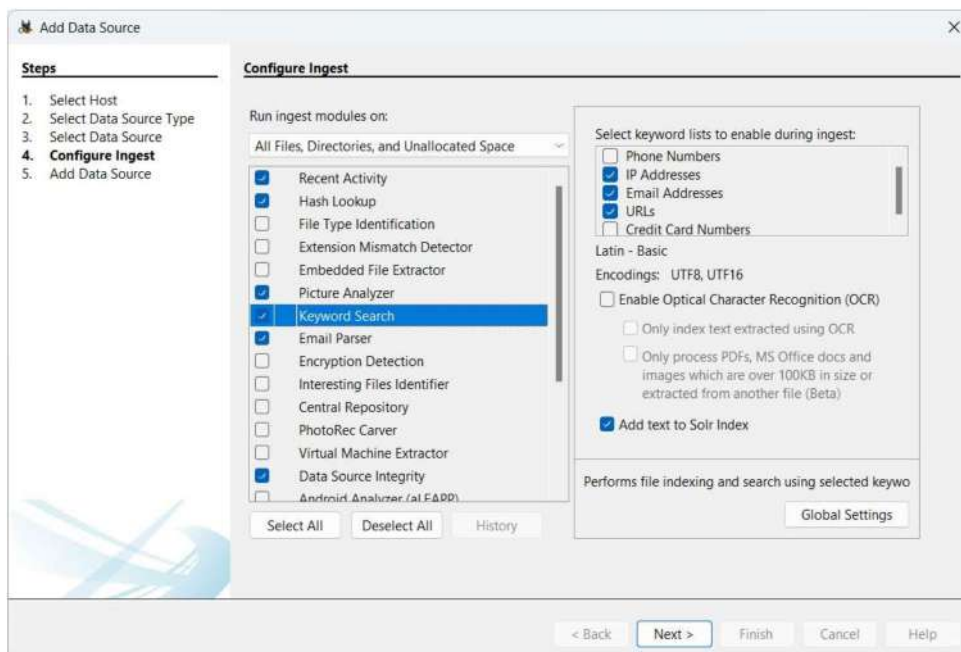
2. Select “Disk Image or VM File” and click Next.



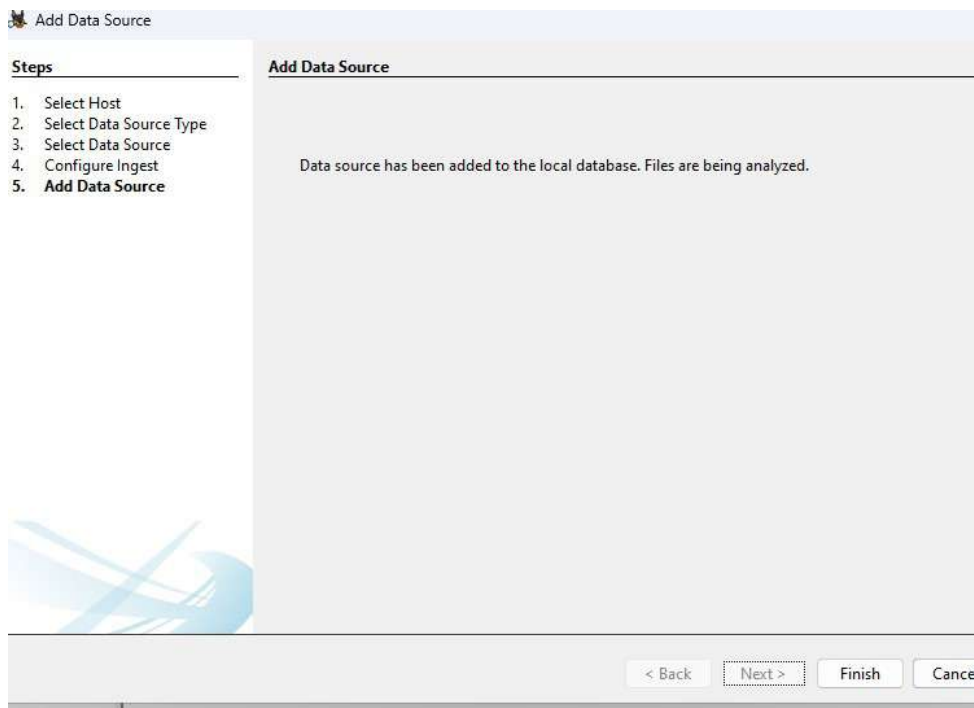
3. Browse the path and select the Disk Image (nps-2009-domexusers.E01) and click next.



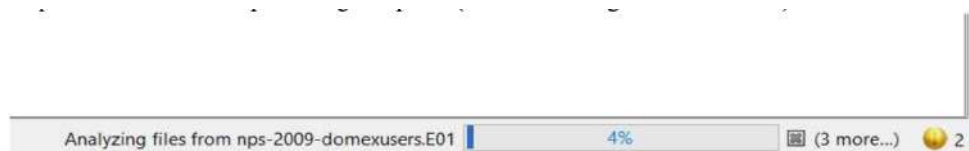
4. Select the ingest modules shown below.



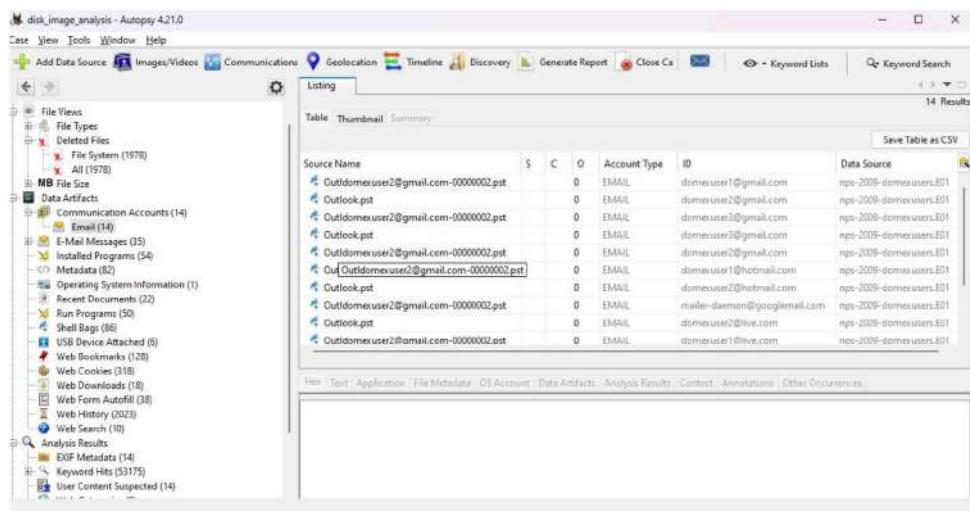
5. After the data source has been added, click Finish.



6. Now wait till the processing completes (in the bottom right of the window).



7. Explore the various tabs on right side to investigate the files.



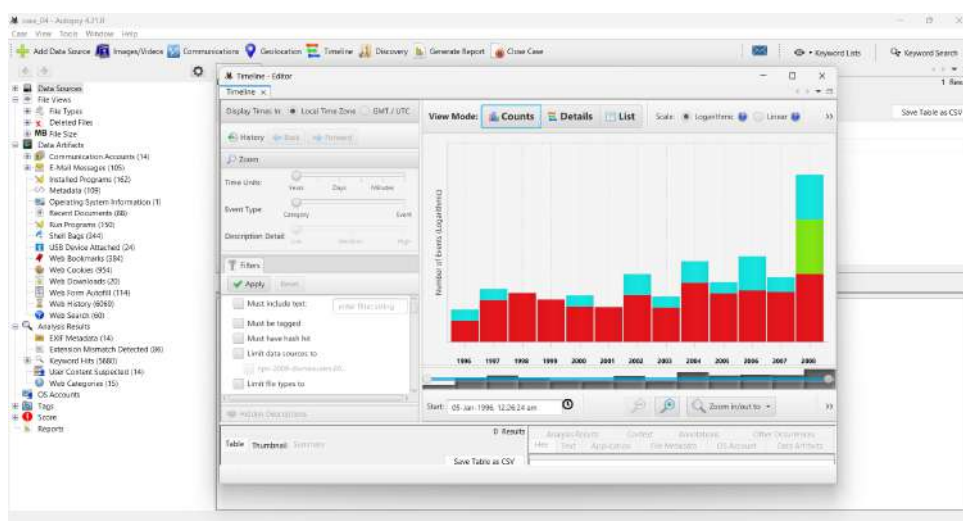
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1 AIM

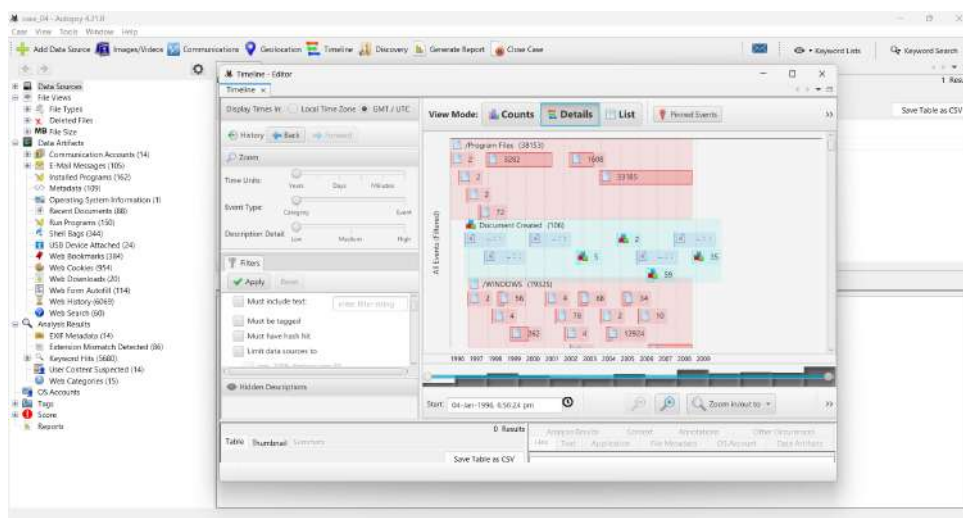
Generate a Timeline and Discovery of a given Forensic Image and generate its compatible report (using Autopsy).

2 Steps to generate the Timeline of a Forensic Image

1. Click on Timeline at the top. The screen will be displayed as follows.

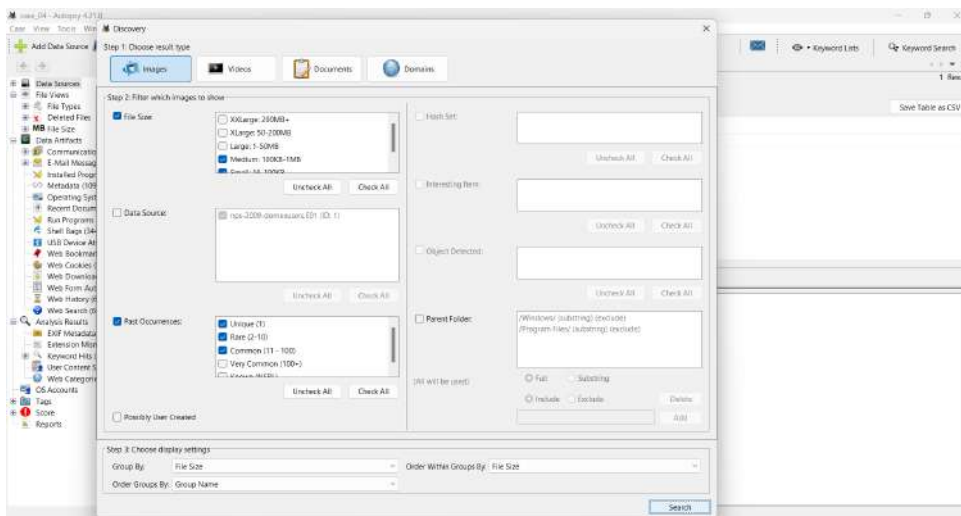


2. Next, click on the "Details" button, It will display the number of events created in the respective years.



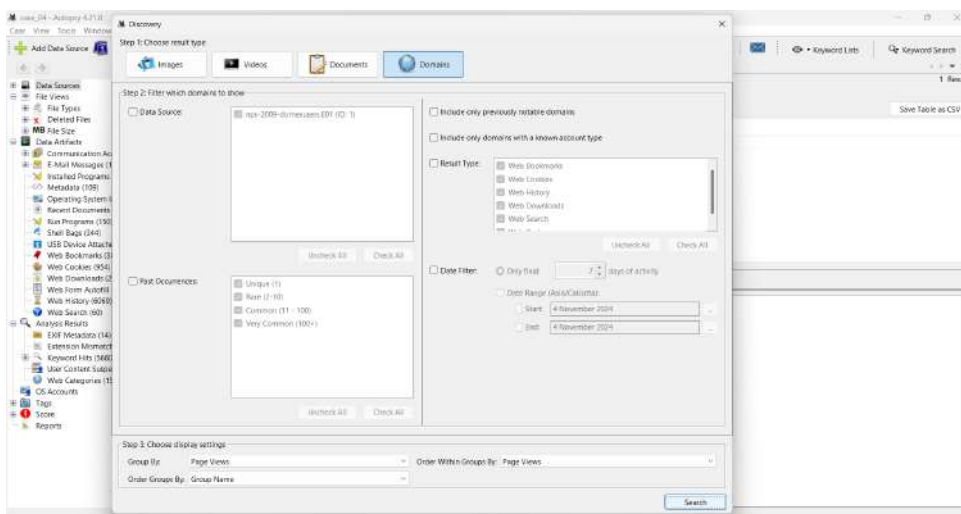
3 Steps to generate the Discovery of the Forensic Image

1. Click on the "Discovery" at the top. The screen will be displayed as follows.

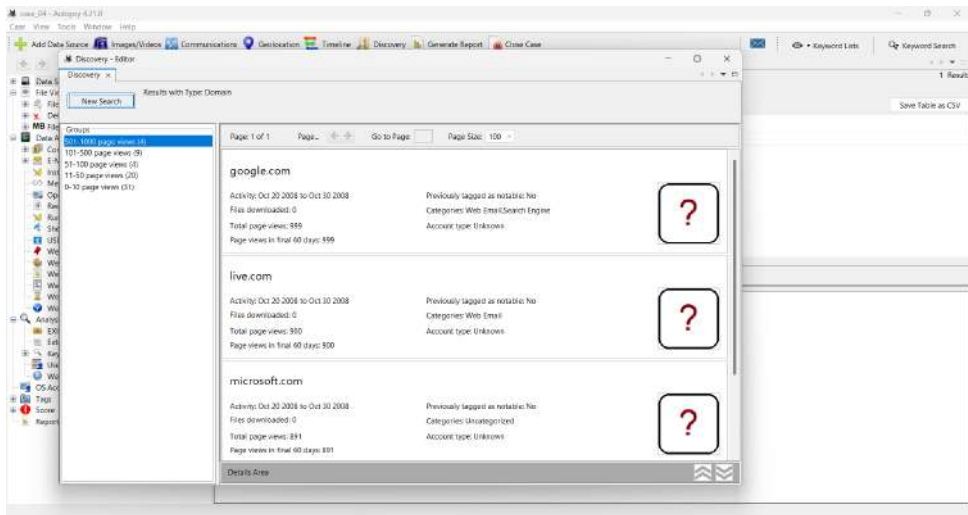


2. Next, filter which images, videos, documents or domains you want to show and then click on Search. It will show all these accordingly.

Lets check for Domains, for example.



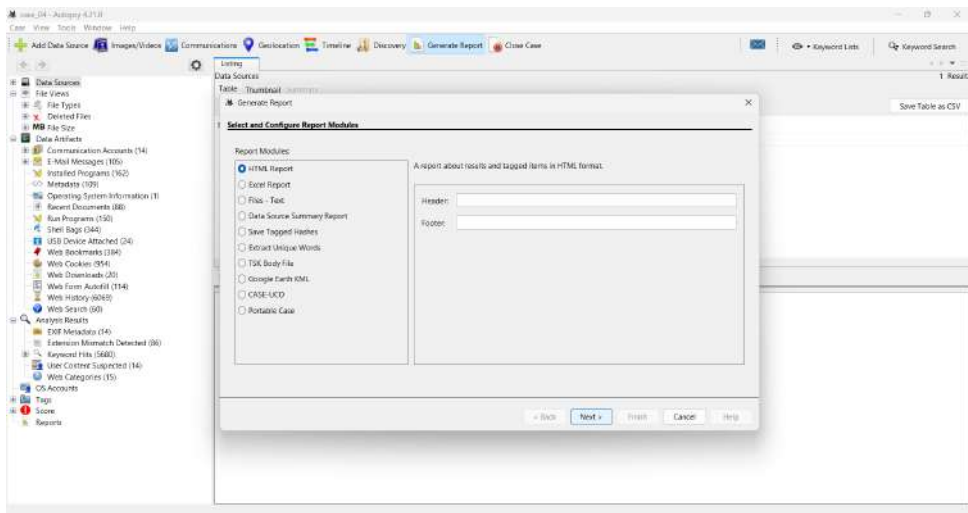
You can filter out either manually or can keep the default filters as it is. Now, clicking on Search will generate the following results.



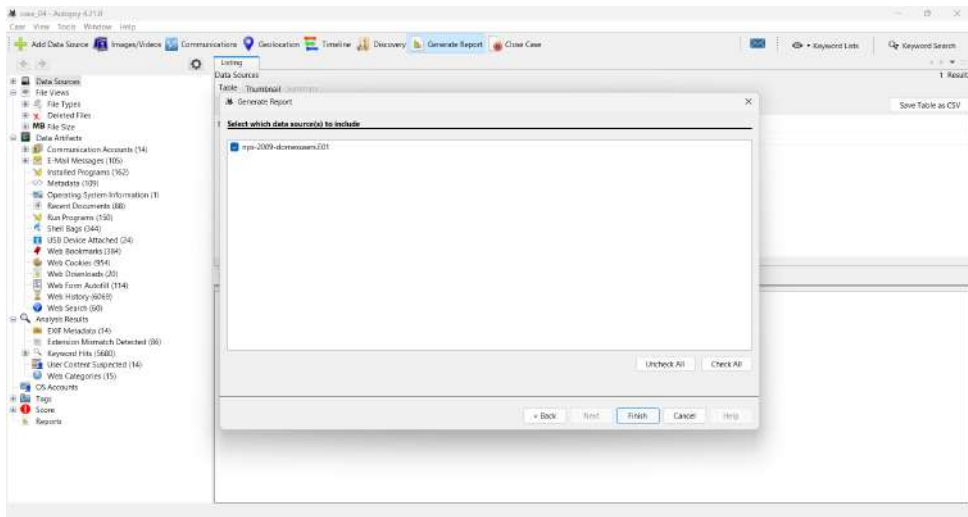
Similarly, we can do for others as well.

4 Steps to generate the report of the Forensic Image

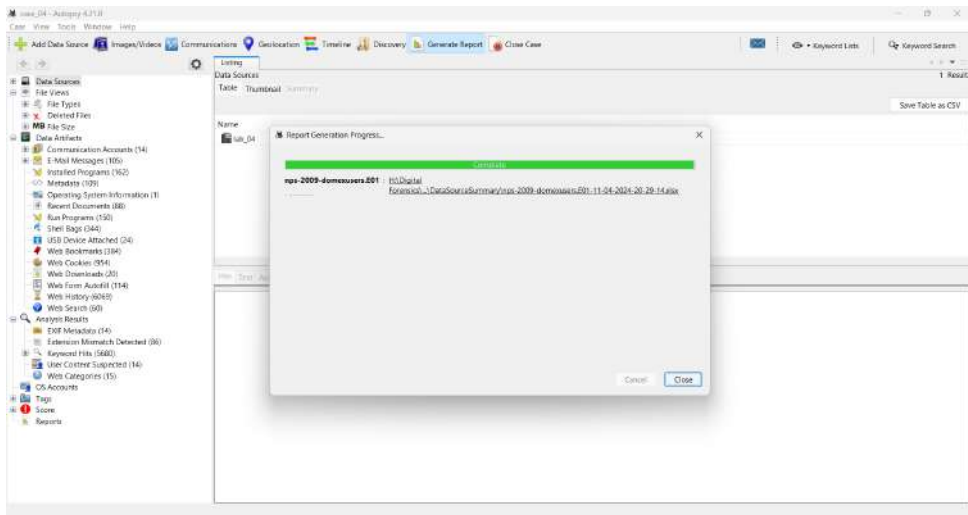
1. Click on the "Generate Report" at the top. The screen will be displayed as follows.



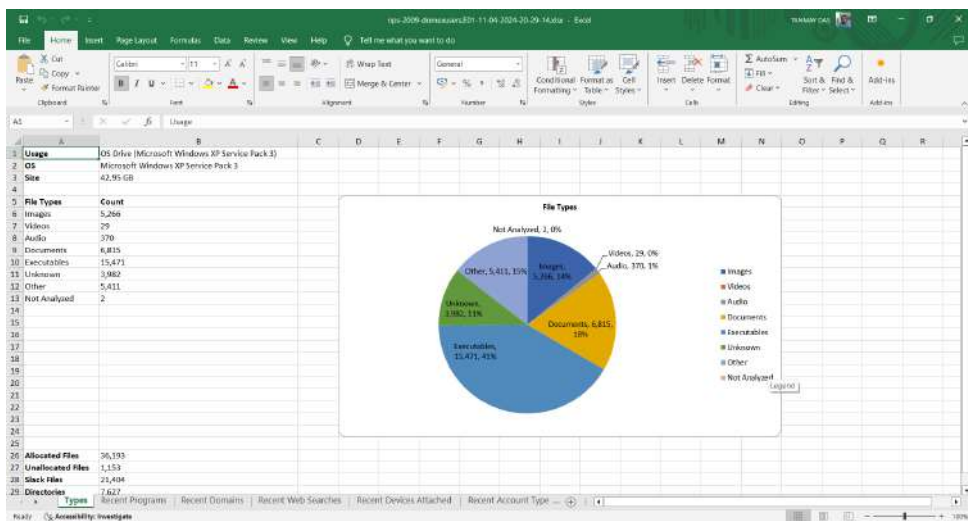
2. Select the "Data Source Summary Report" and then click Next.
3. Select the data source you want to include and click on "Finish".



4. The Report is now generated. Click on Close.



5. The report is viewed as shown below.



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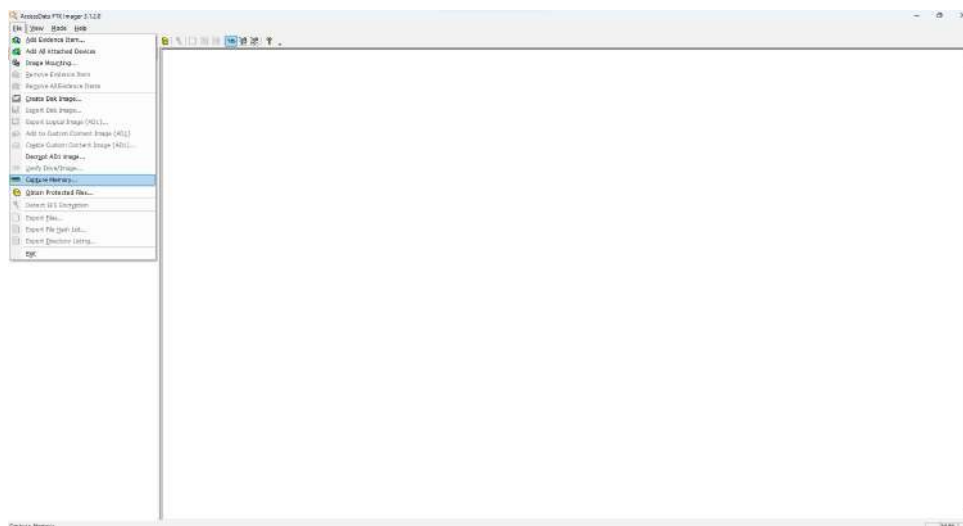
1 AIM

Perform Live Acquisition (RAM) for Order of Volatile (using FTK Imager).

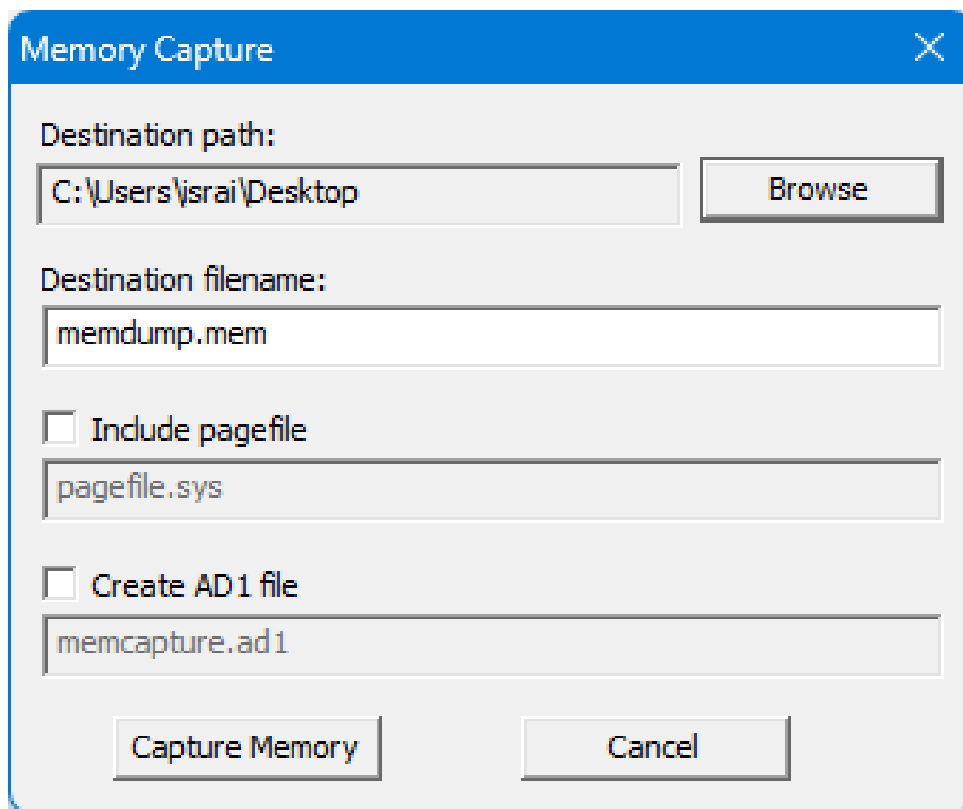
2 Steps to perform Live Acquisition (RAM) for Order of Volatile (using FTK Imager).

Steps to perform Live Acquisition (RAM) for Order of Volatile (using FTK Imager) are as follows :-

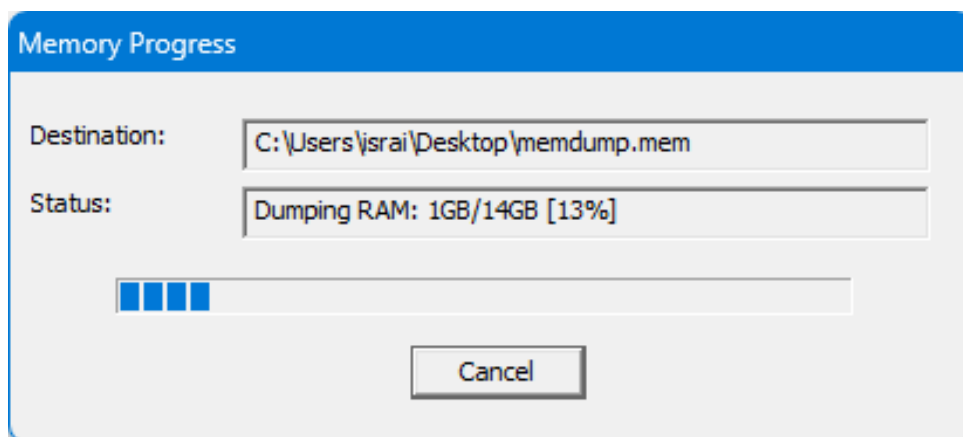
1. Open FTK imager and select capture RAM.



2. Select Destination where the files are to be stored



3. Capturing memory



4. Files in drive that are created by memory capture.

- Examples of commands include :

- pslist: Lists running processes.
- pstree: Displays process listing as a tree.
- netscan: Shows network connections.
- cmdscan: Scans for command history.
- filesan: Scans for file objects.
- dumpfiles: Extracts specific file objects.
- dillist: Lists loaded DLLs.
- malfind: Looks for suspicious injected code.
- hashdump: Dumps password hashes.
- hivelist: Lists registry hives.

4. Interpret Results:

- Analyze the output for evidence related to the investigation.

5. Document Findings:

- Document all findings carefully for legal and investigative purposes.

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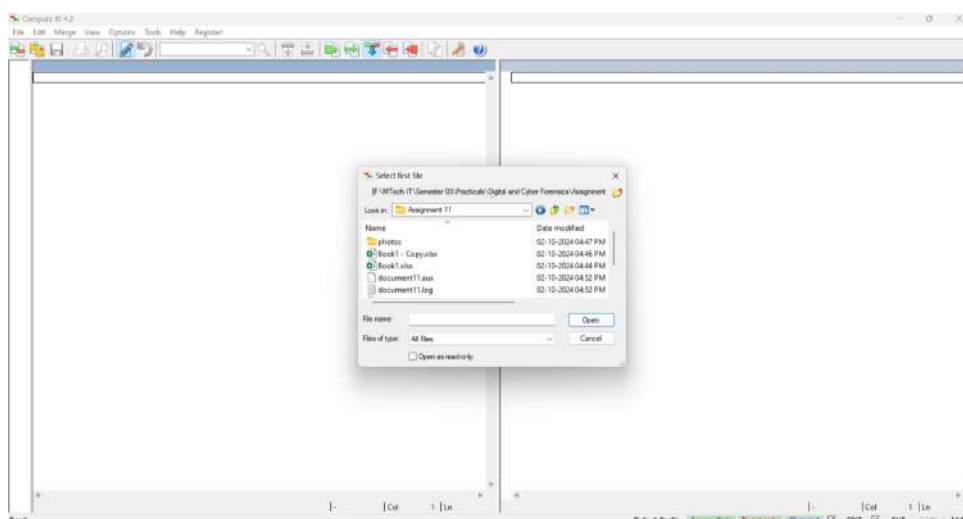
1 AIM

Compare two files for forensic investigation (Using Compare IT!) and identify changes in the hex structure of the files.

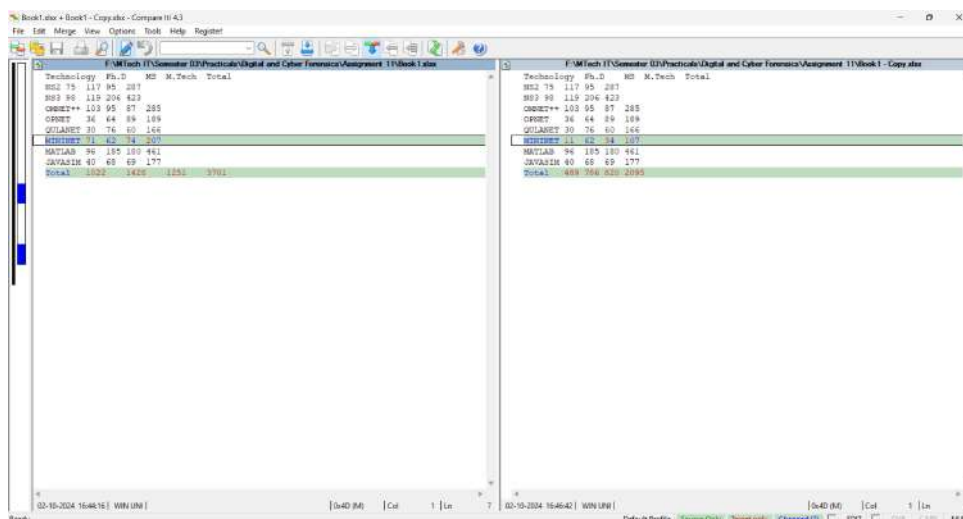
2 Steps to compare two files using Compare It!

Steps to to compare two files using Compare It! are as follows: -

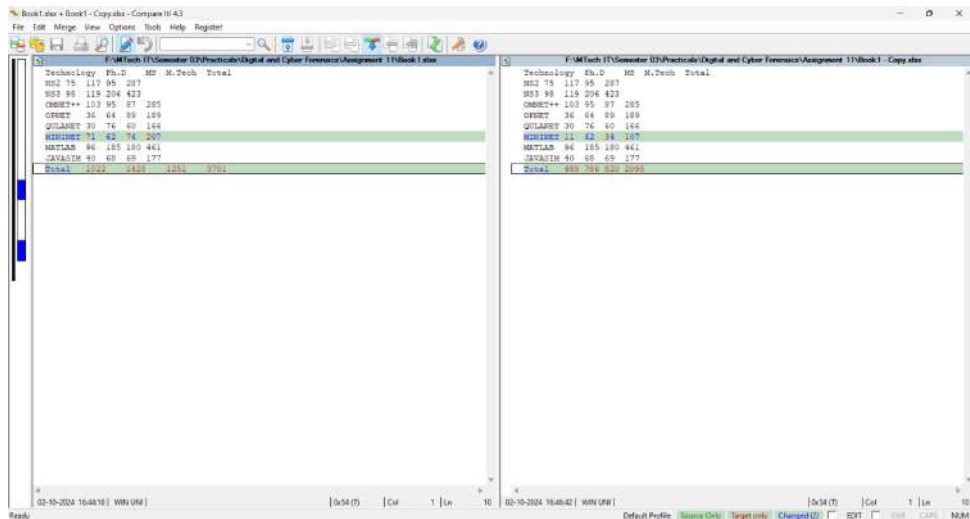
1. Click on Compare It Tool, It will show a window to select the files to be compared.
2. First select the first file and click on open and then select the second file and click on open.



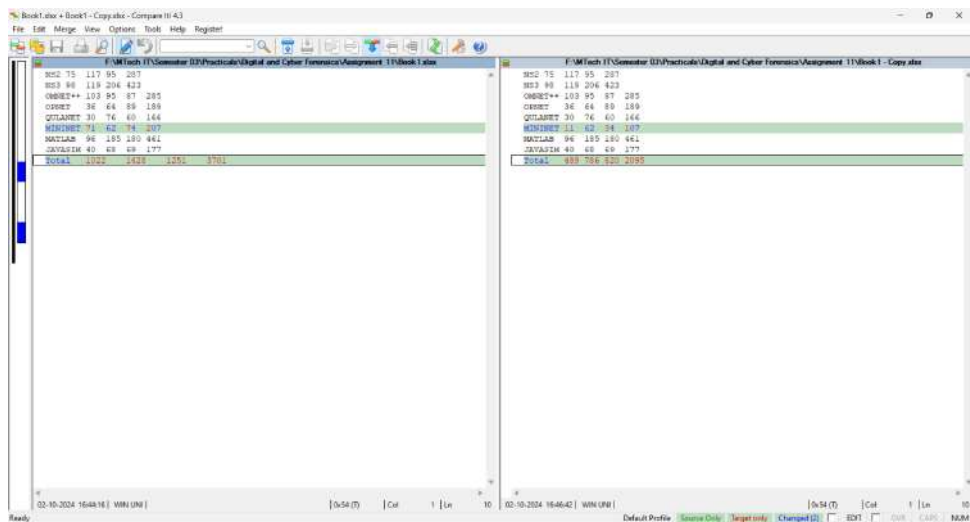
3. Now it will show us the changes in the highlighted bar.



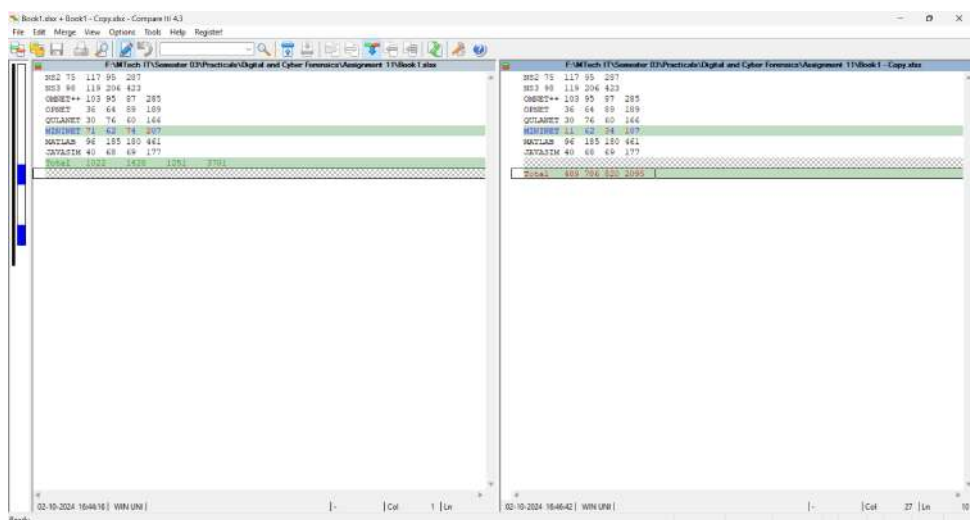
4. Now click on View and select Next Diff and it will show the next change.



5. Now click on view and select changes only. It will show all the changes simultaneously.



6. Now click on Merge and Select Separate Option.It will separate the changed lines.



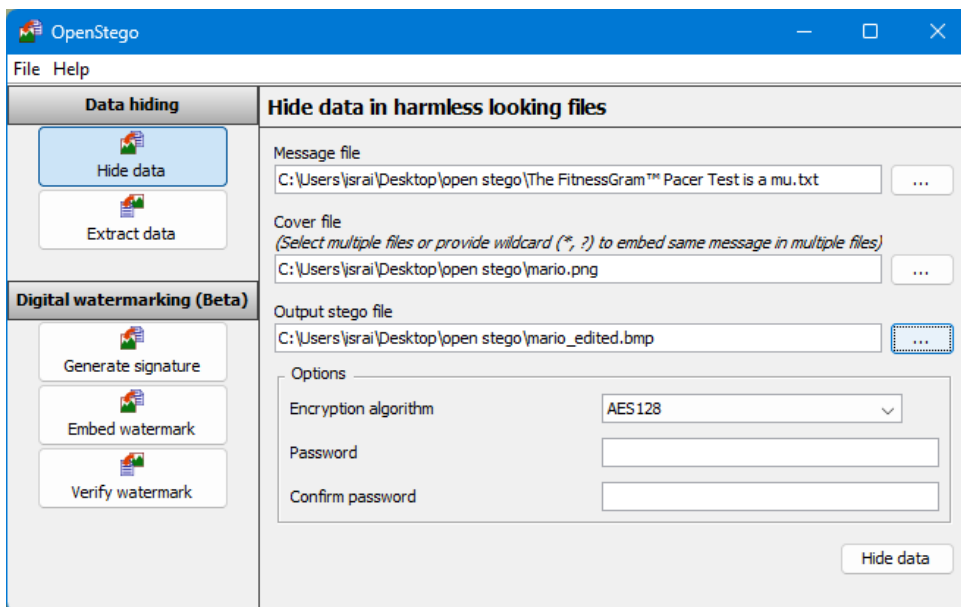
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1 AIM

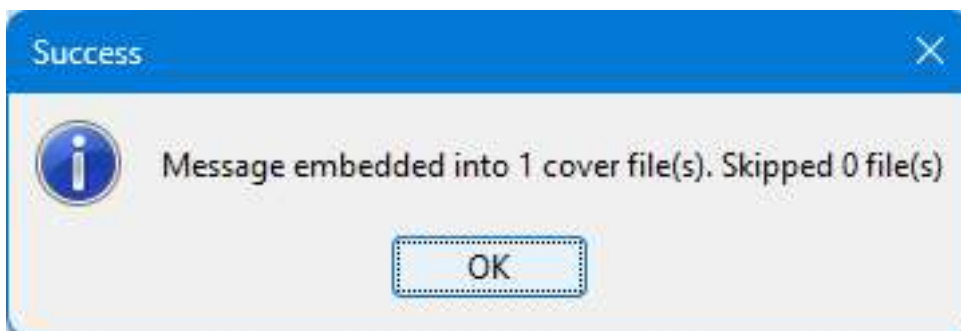
Use OpenStego software to perform data hiding, data extracting and digital watermarking. Also, the steps for hiding any file behind an image should be studied using Command Prompt (CMD). Use Compare IT! Software for further analysis.

2 Steps to perform to perform data hiding, data extracting and digital watermarking. Also, the steps for hiding any file

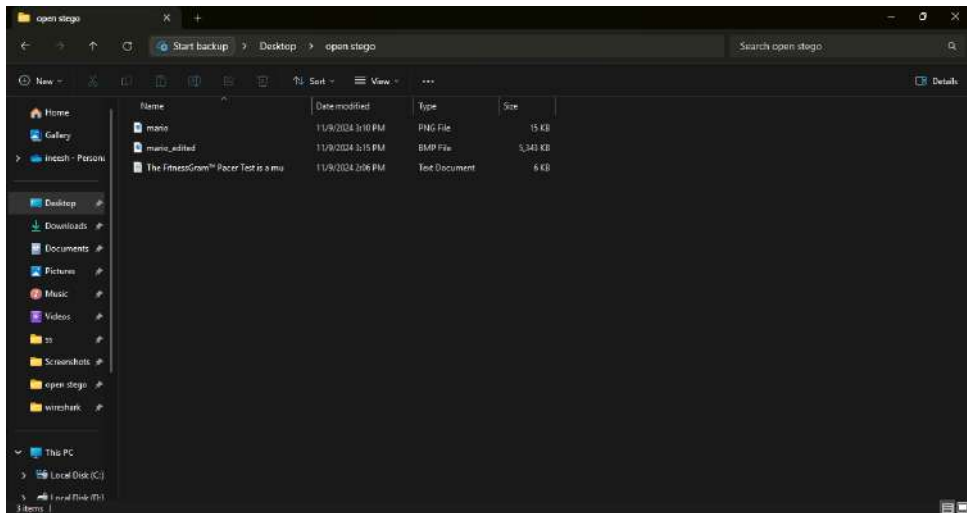
1. Create a text file and choose an image and add the path to the output file.



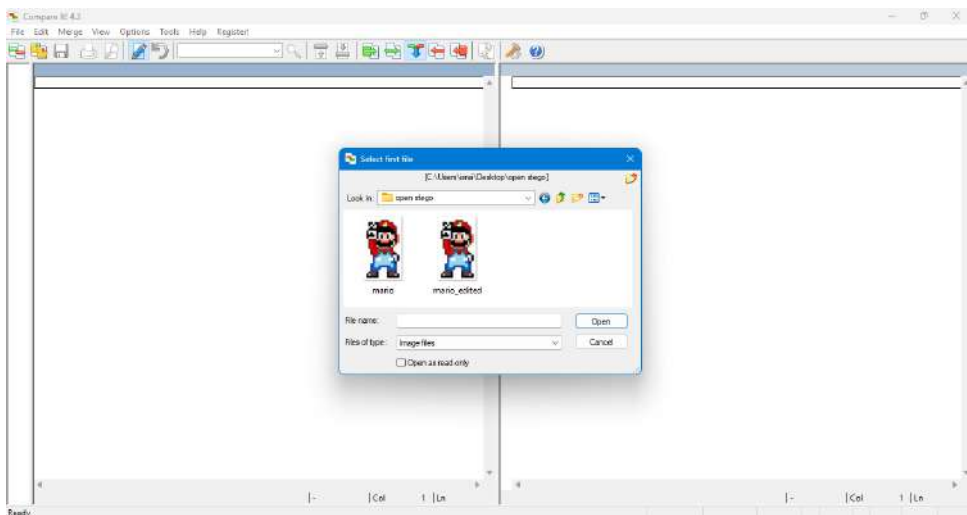
2. After that we get the following prompt.



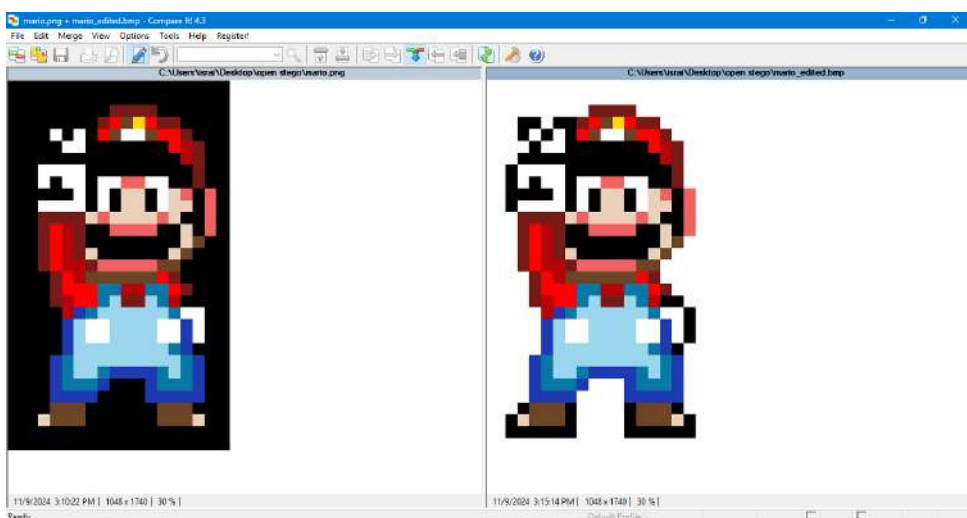
3. The output file name is - Mario-edited.



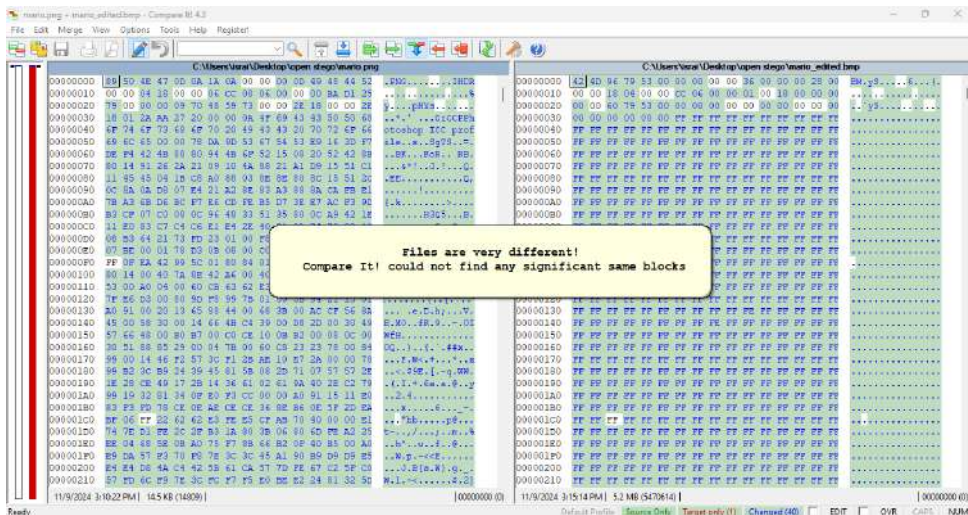
4. Now we use Compare It! choose the original and the edited files.



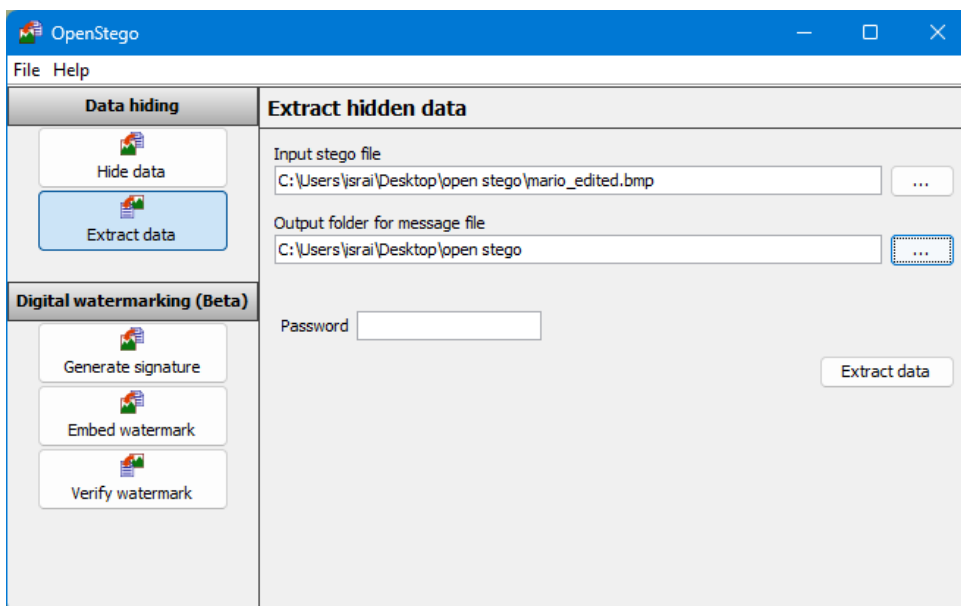
5. Left image - Original, Right - Edited.



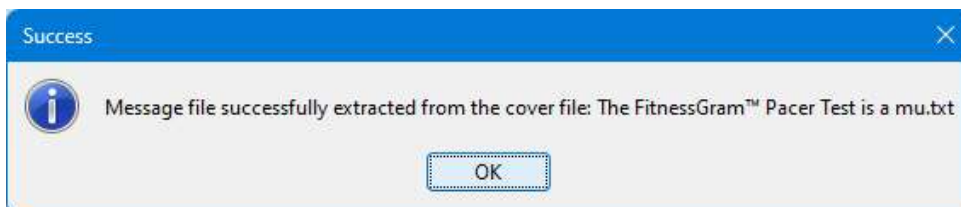
6. As we can see Compare It! successfully distinguishes between the files.



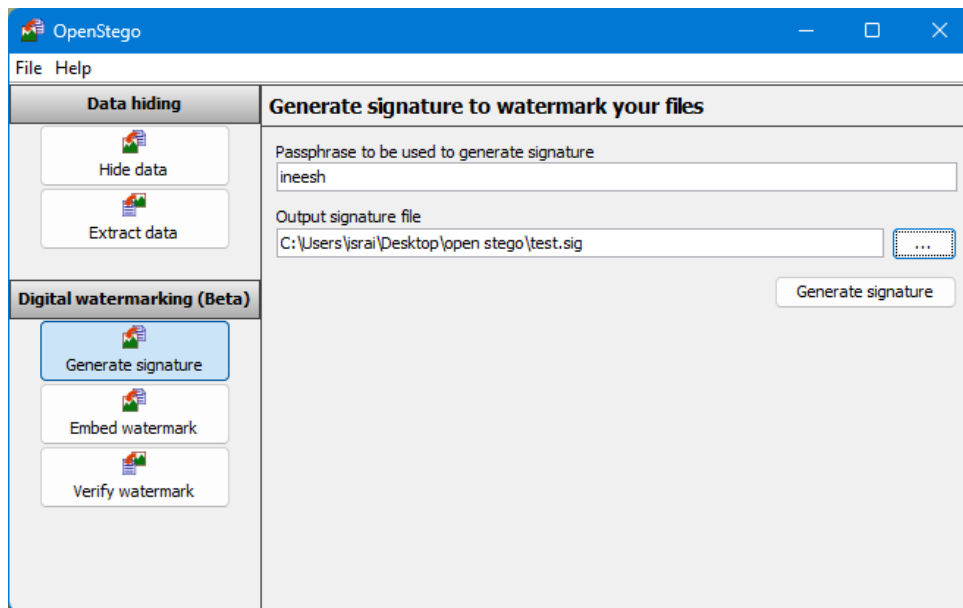
7. For extracting data from an stego image we have to provide - 1. the setego file 2. the output for the txt found in the image.



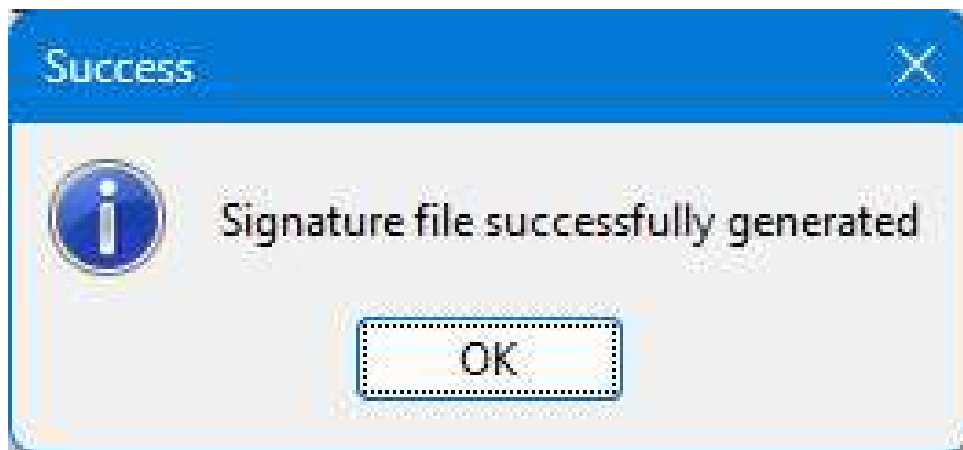
8. We get the prompt of the file generated/ recovered from the image.



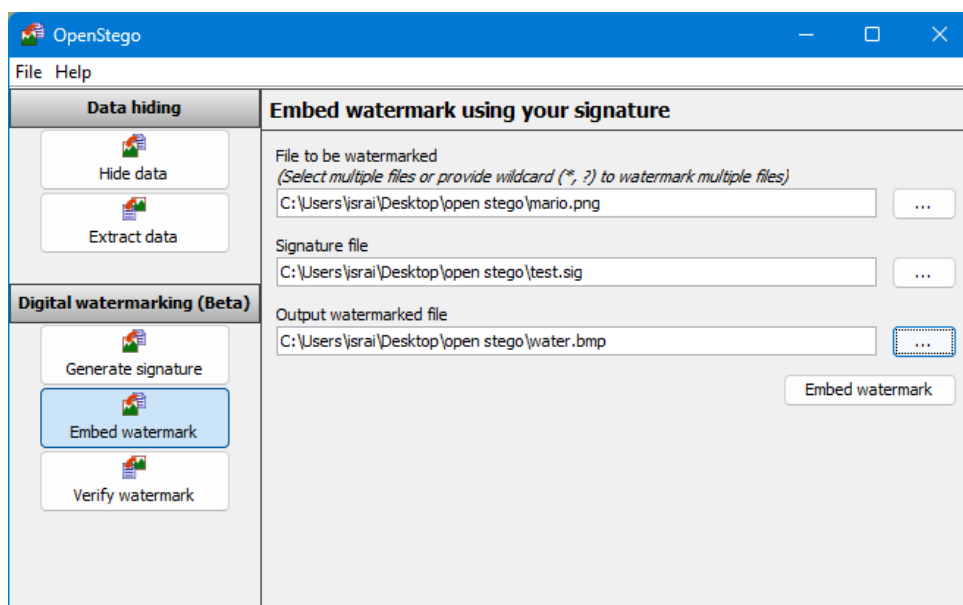
9. For Digital Watermarking we have to give a passphrase and the output path.



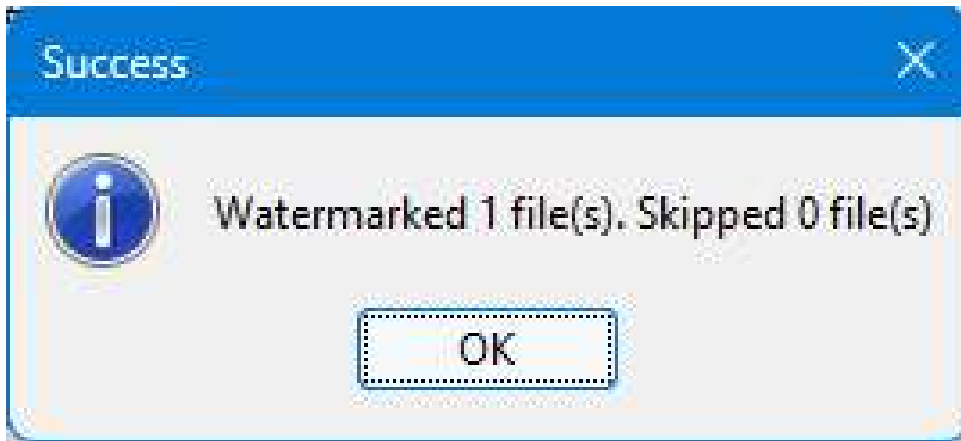
10. Prompt of signature successfully created.



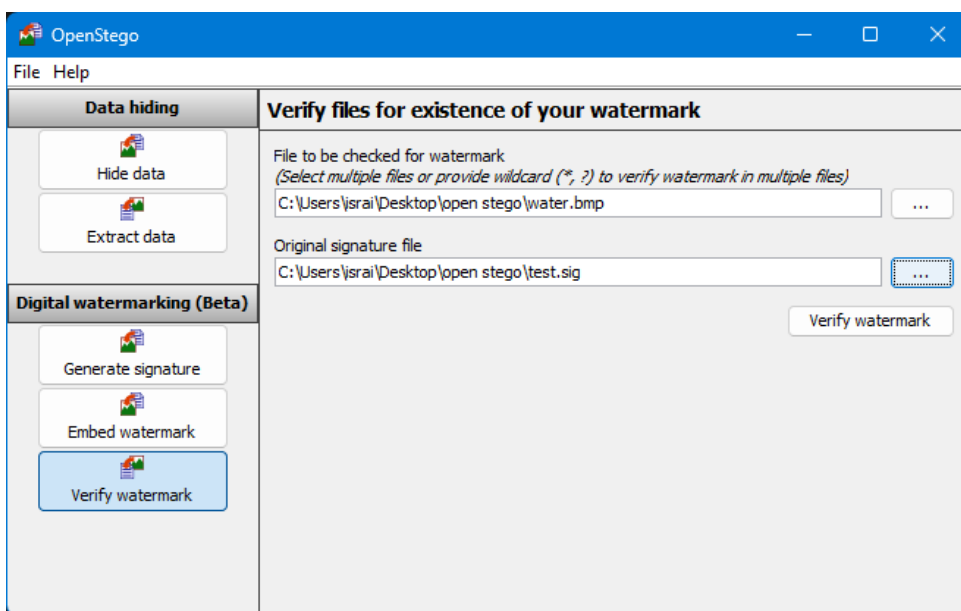
11. To embed watermark in an image we have to insert our generated signature to the image file which we want and give an output path.



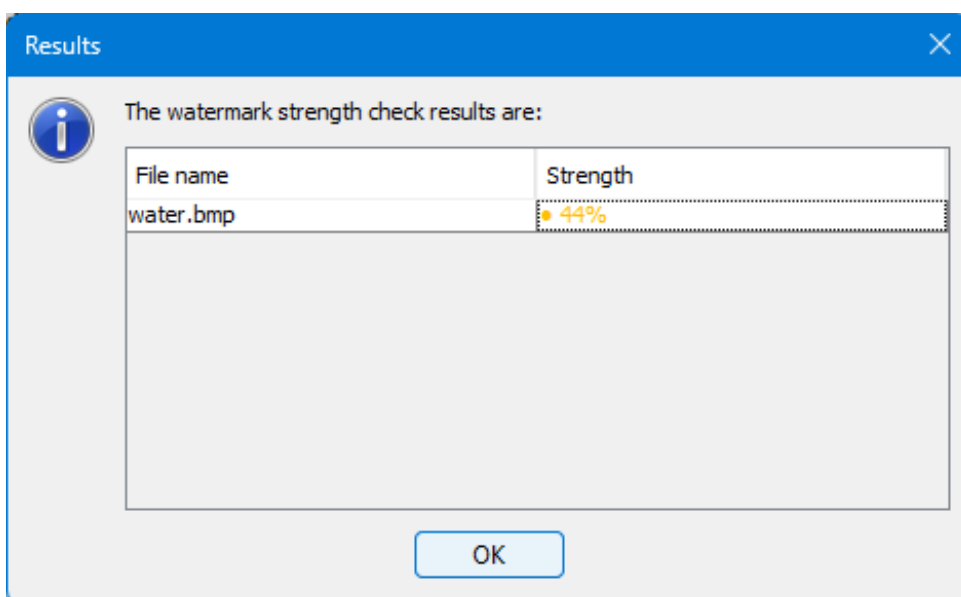
12. Prompt for successful generation of watermark image.



13. For verification we check using the watermarked image and the signature generated before.



14. Checks for the signature strength.



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1 AIM

Study the John the Ripper tool for password cracking.

2 Theory

John the Ripper is a fast password cracker, currently available for many flavors of Unix, macOS, Windows, DOS, BeOS, and OpenVMS (the latter requires a contributed patch). Its primary purpose is to detect weak Unix passwords. Besides several crypt(3) password hash types most commonly found on various Unix flavors, supported out of the box are Kerberos/AFS and Windows LM hashes, as well as DES-based tripcodes, plus hundreds of additional hashes and ciphers in "-jumbo" versions.

JtR supports several common encryption technologies out-of-the-box for UNIX and Windows-based systems. (ed. Mac is UNIX based). JtR autodetects the encryption on the hashed data and compares it against a large plain-text file that contains popular passwords, hashing each password, and then stopping it when it finds a match.

Simple.

In our Live Cyber Attack demo, the Varonis IR team demonstrates how to steal a hashed password, use JtR to find the true password, and use it to log into an administrative account. That is a very common use case for JtR!

JtR also includes its own wordlists of common passwords for 20+ languages. These wordlists provide JtR with thousands of possible passwords from which it can generate the corresponding hash values to make a high-value guess of the target password. Since most people choose easy-to-remember passwords, JtR is often very effective even with its out-of-the-box wordlists.

3 Practicals: Cracking Password with John the Ripper Tool

1. First, create a zip file and protect it with a password to simulate a cracking scenario.
 - Filename: ss.zip
2. On a Linux machine, use John the Ripper to crack the password for accessing the file. Commands used in this process include:
 - (a) Creation of a file and adding text: "this is a test to check for encryption"

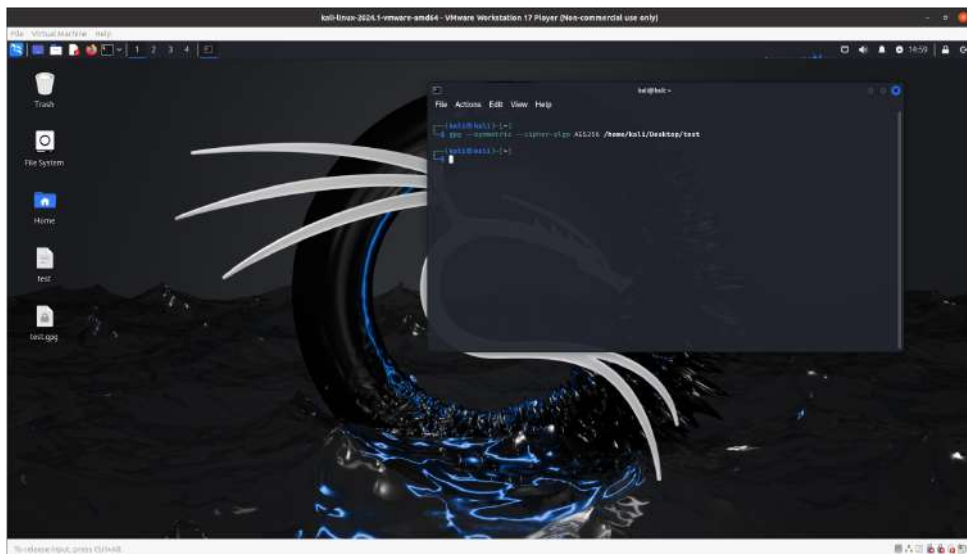
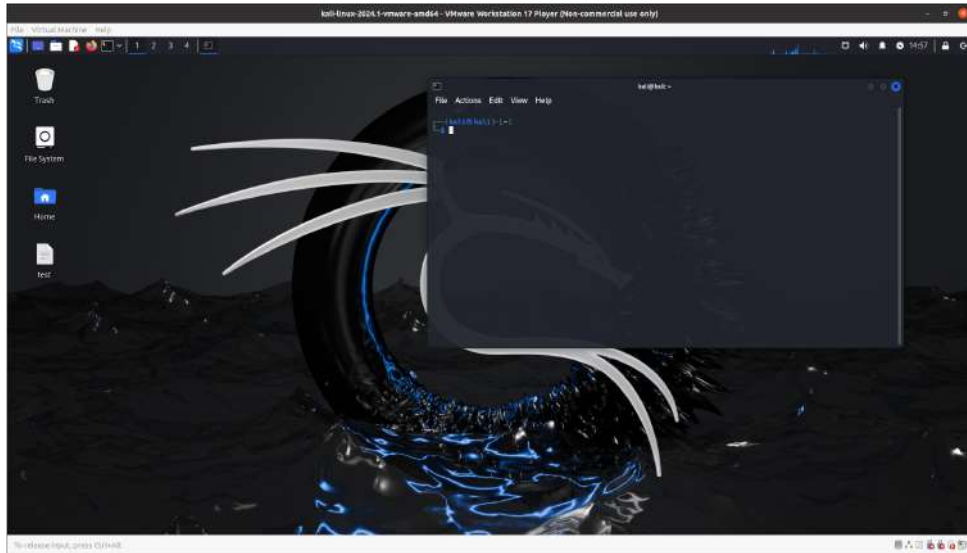
(b) `gpg --symmetric --cipher-algo AES256 /home/kali/Desktop/test`

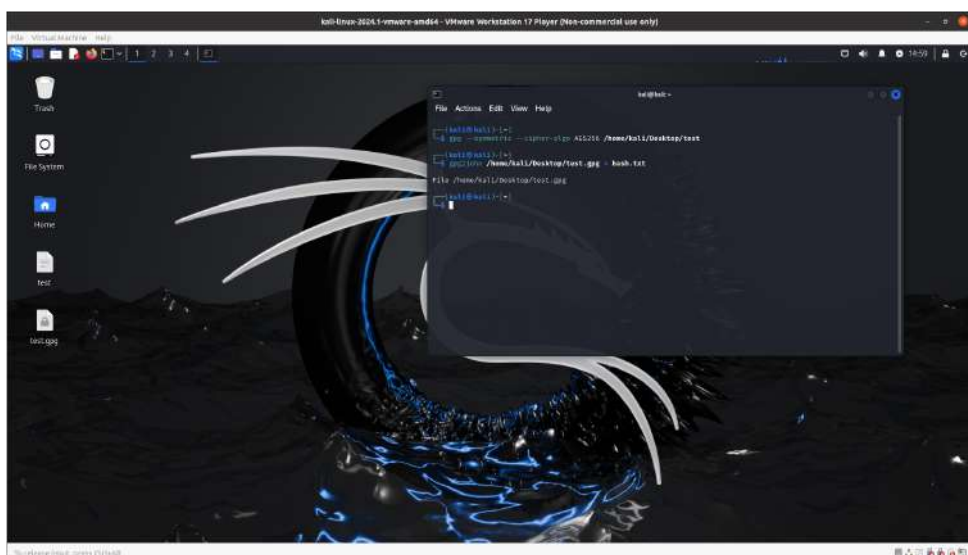
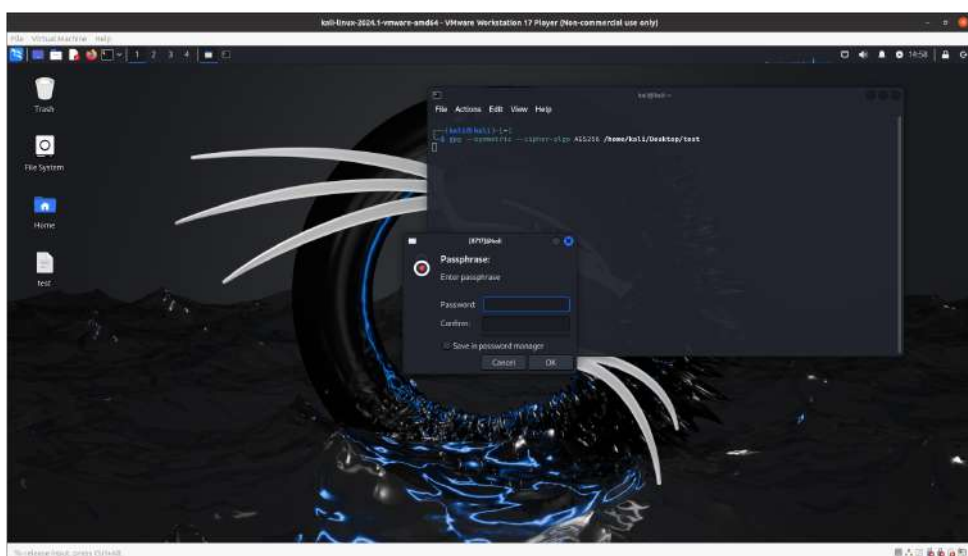
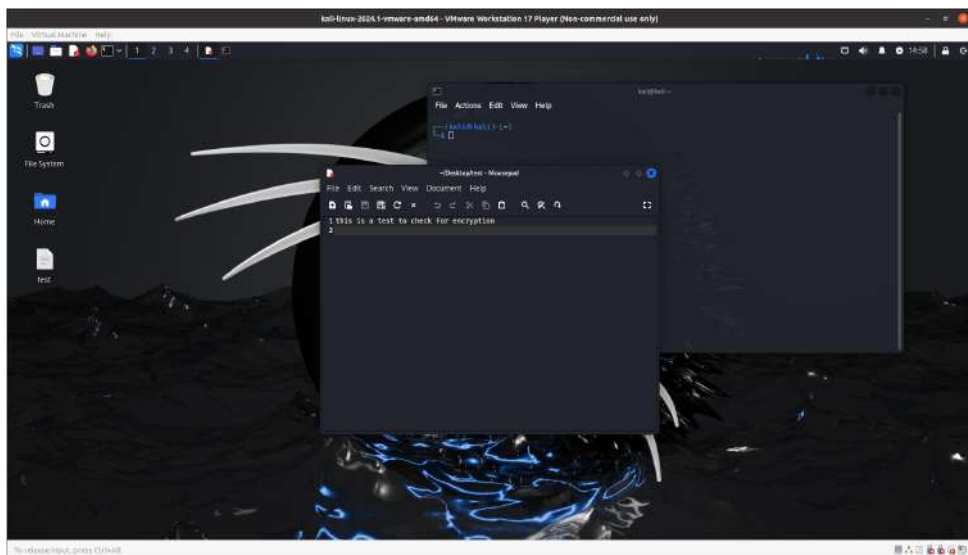
(c) `gpg2john /home/kali/Desktop/test.gpg > hash.txt`

(d) `john hash.txt`

(e) `gpg --decrypt /home/kali/Desktop/test.gpg`

3. Images to illustrate each step:





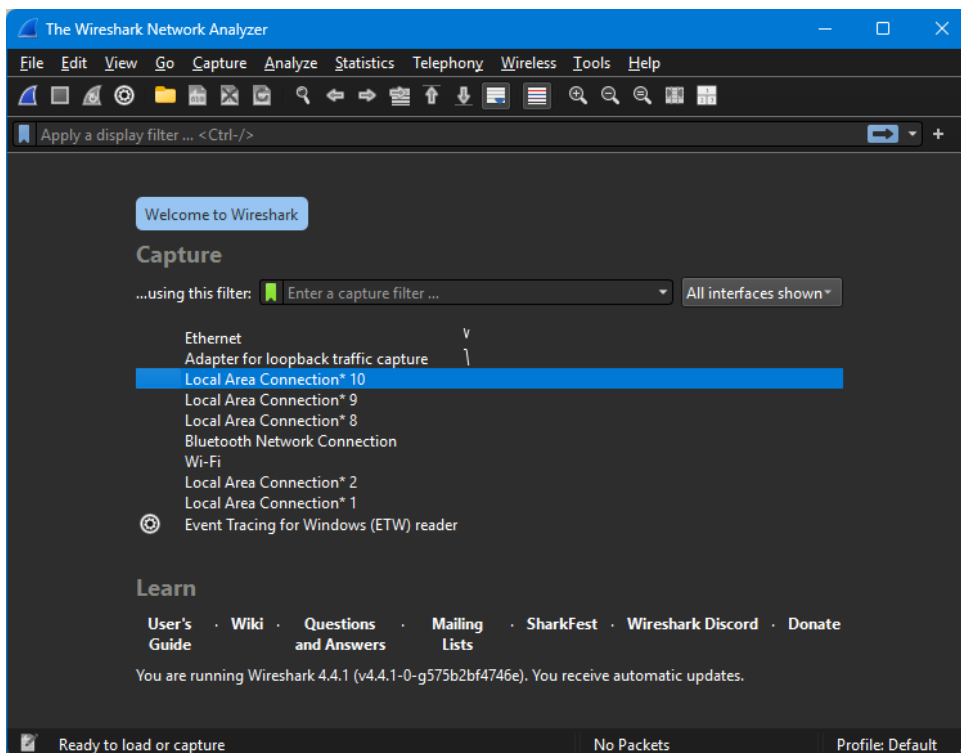
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1 AIM

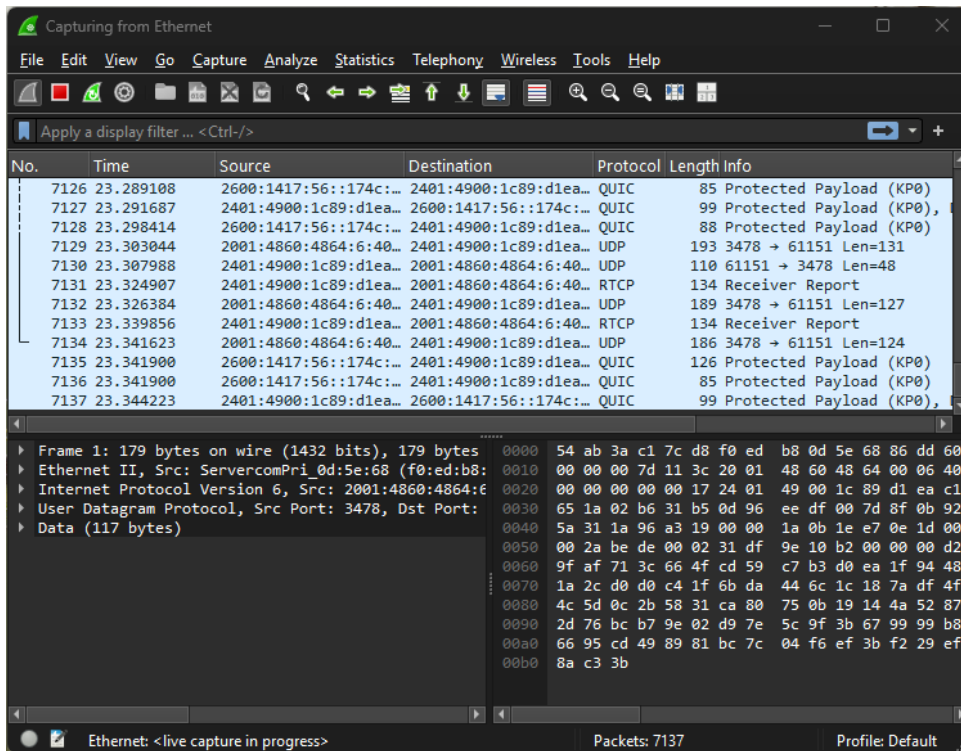
Study the WIRESHARK tool for Network forensics. Analyze the live capturing packets. Also, perform a packet analysis on given pcap files.

2 Steps to perform logical file examination of a given android mobile forensic image

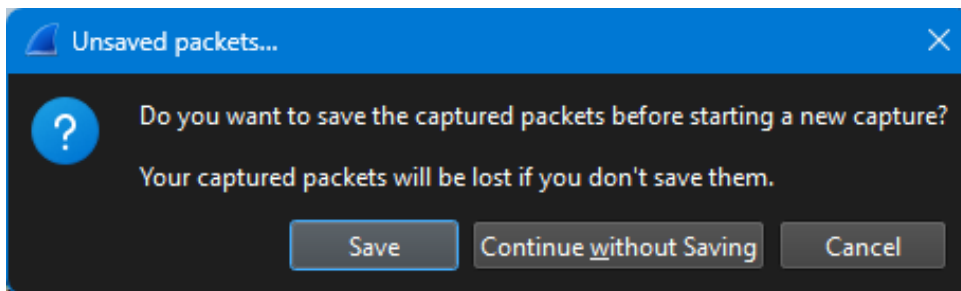
1. Select which network to capture the packets from.



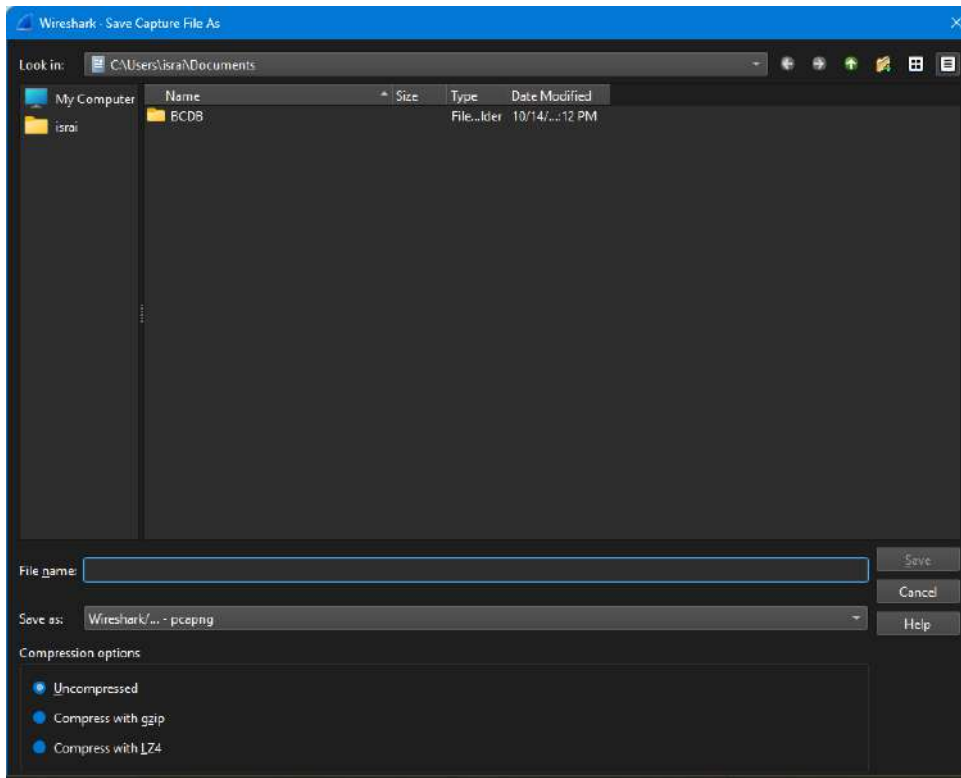
2. Capture the following packets for analysis.



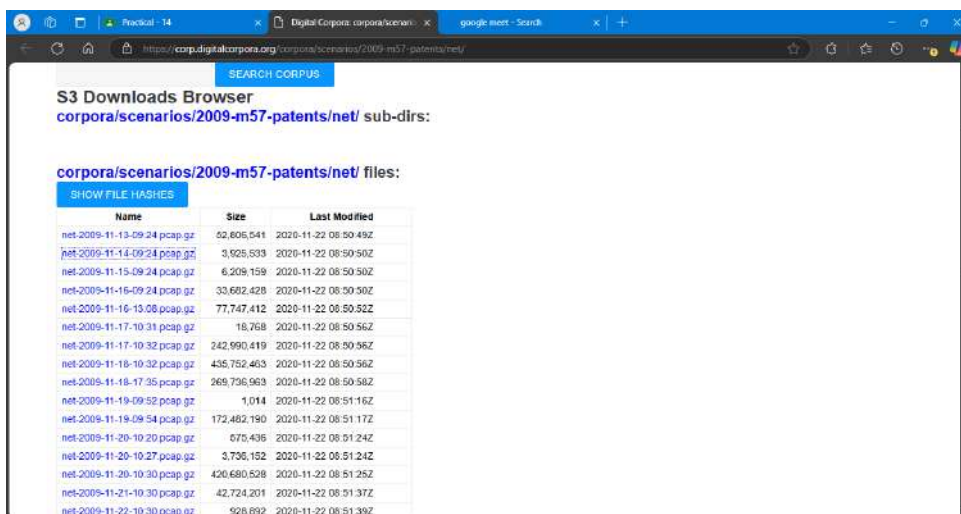
3. Save the captured packets.



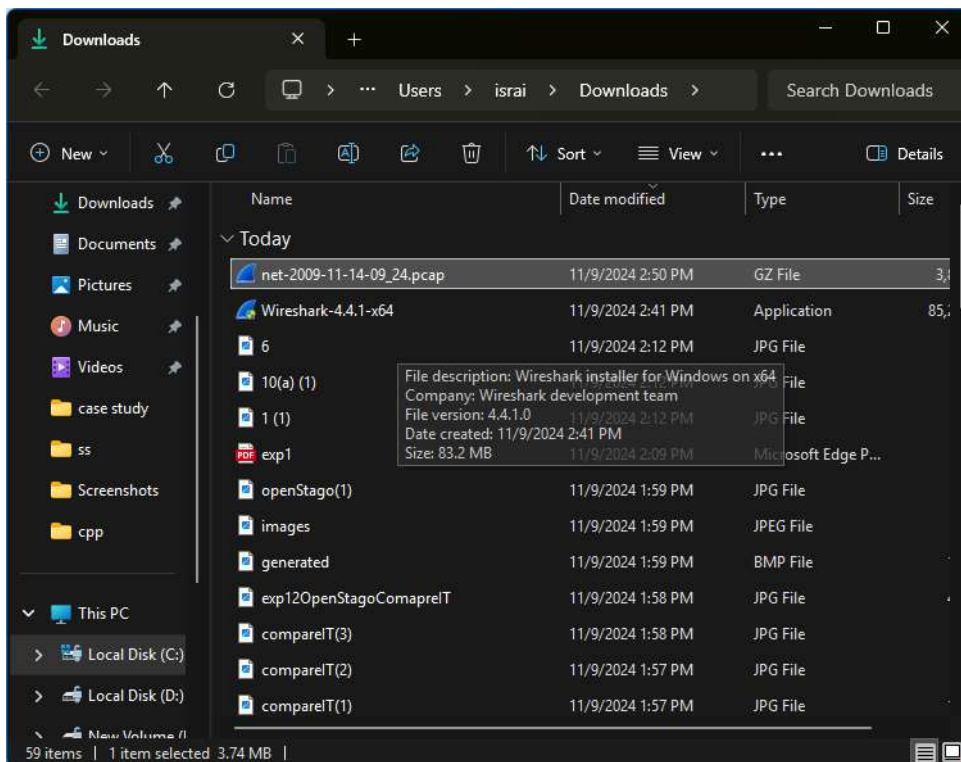
4. Save at a location. This completes the real time packet analysis.



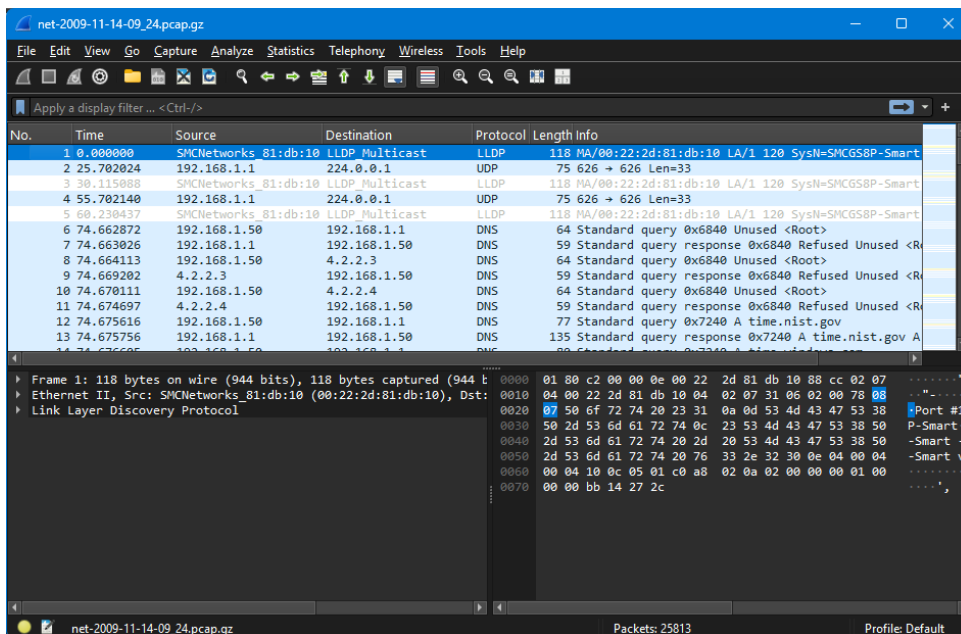
5. For analysis of Pcap files first download the necessary file.



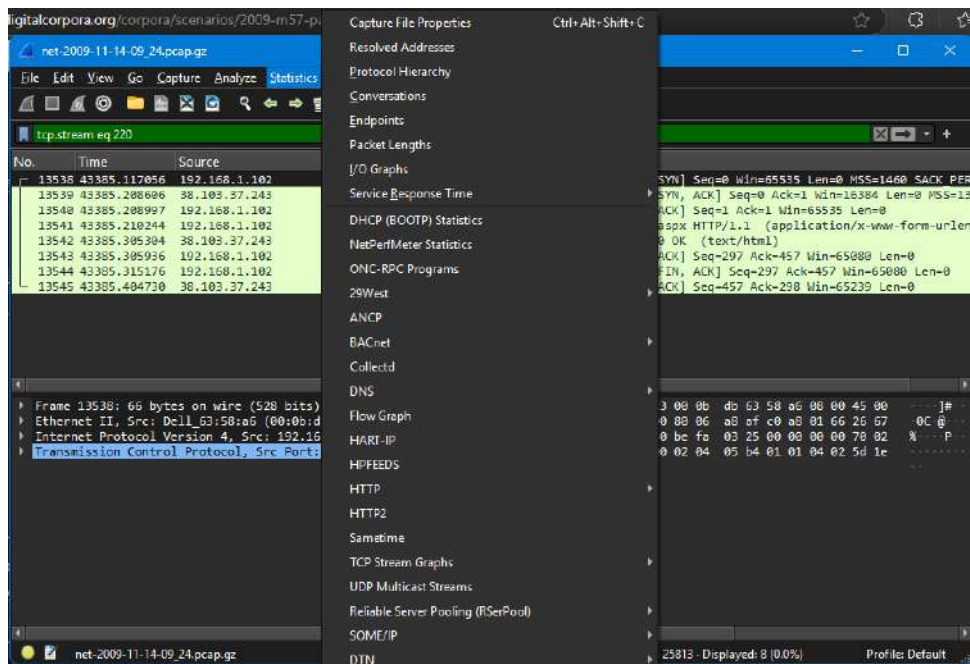
6. After downloading open the Pcap file with Wireshark



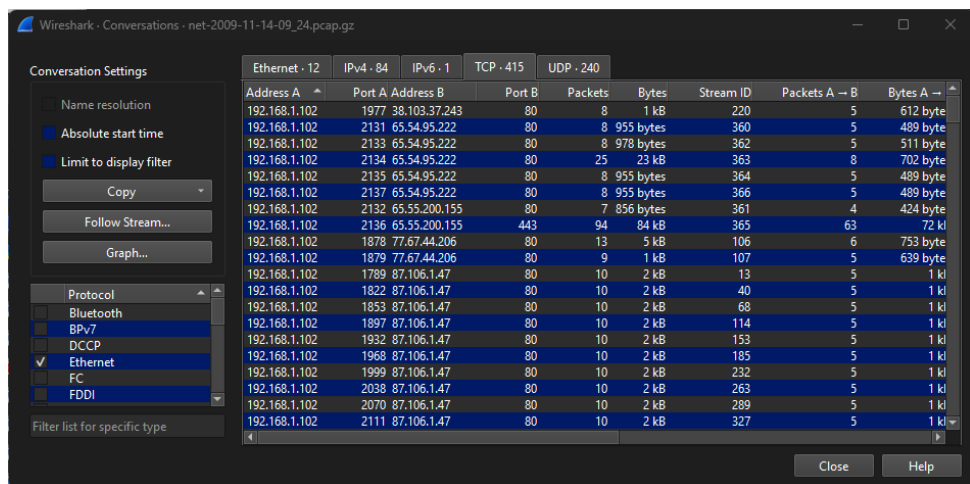
7. After opening the Pcap file, check all the packets.



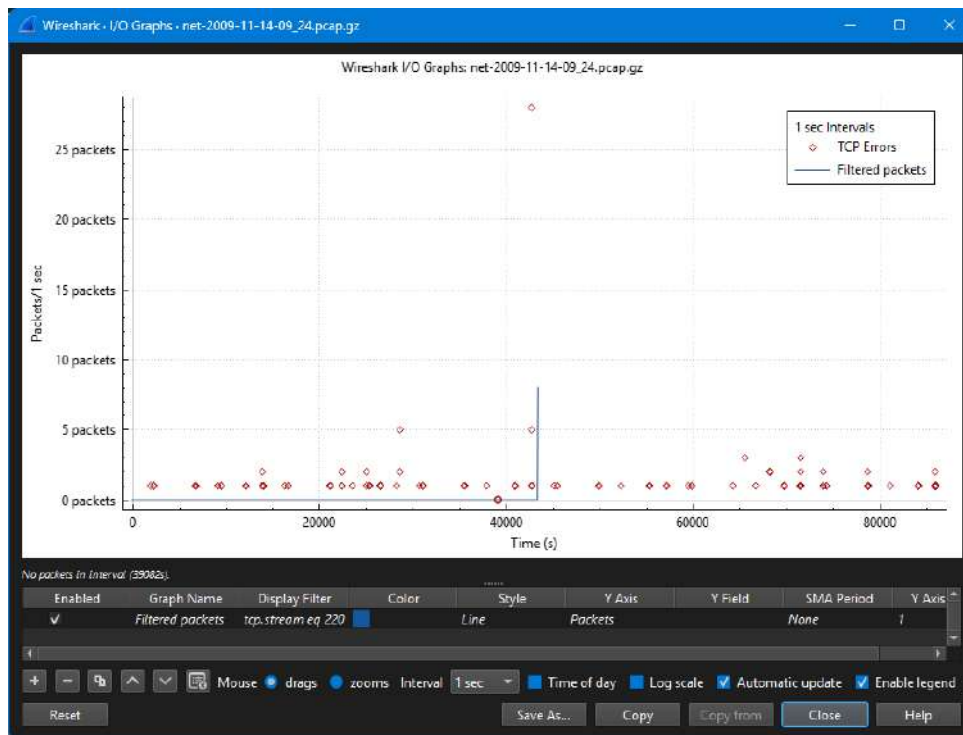
8. Select the Statistics tab for analysis.



9. Conversion between different ports.



10. Graph about the I/O Graph.



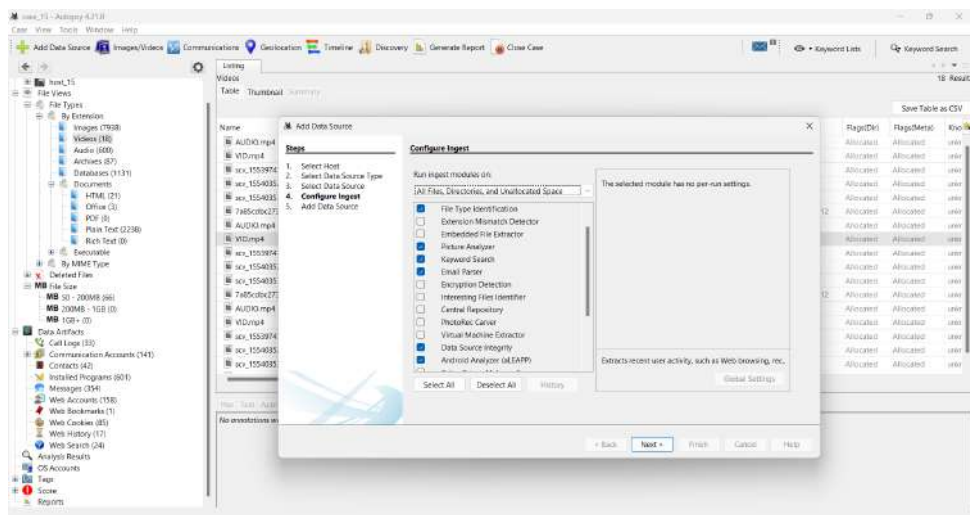
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1 AIM

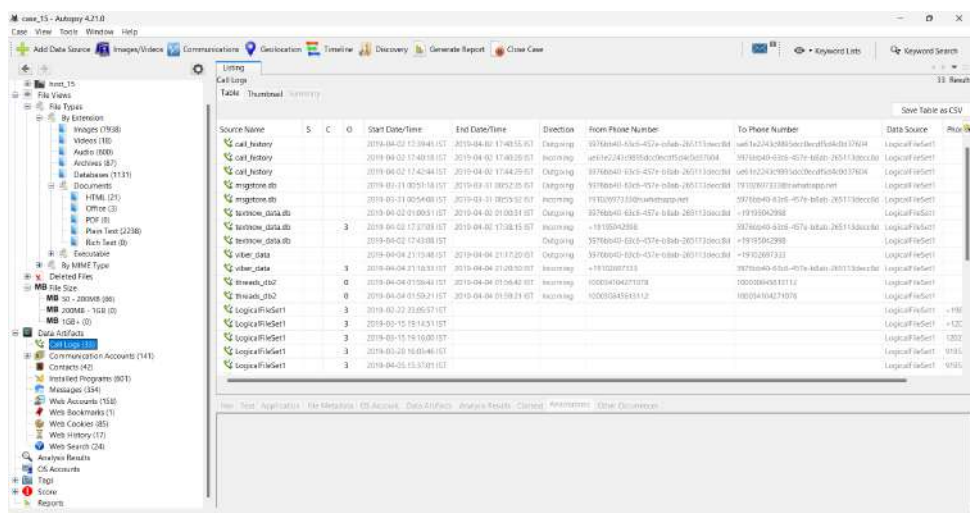
Perform a logical file examination of a given Android mobile forensic image using Autopsy (aleapp + relevant parsers).

2 Steps to perform the logical file examination of a given Android mobile forensic image

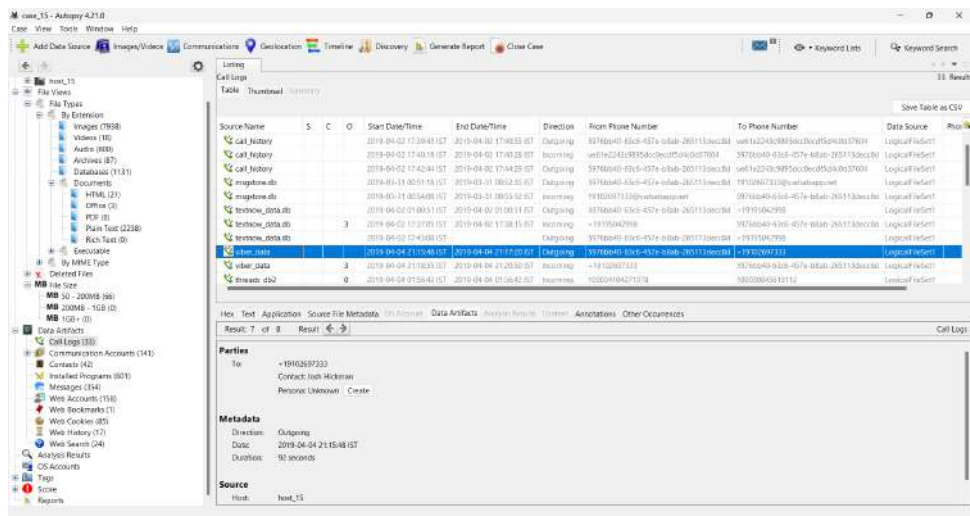
1. While creating a forensic image of a given android mobile,select the required ingest modules as provided in the screenshot.



2. If you want to see the list of call logs,click on call logs. It will display all the call logs as provided in the screenshot.



3. If you want to see a particular call log, click on any of the call log. You will be able to see the information related to that call log.



LAB ASSIGNMENT - 16

1 AIM

Study the SANS workstation environment and perform digital acquisition on a digital drive.

2 Steps to perform the digital acquisition of the Digital Drive using SANS workstation

1. Mount the Drive in a Read-Only Mode:

Open a terminal in your SIFT workstation.

List all connected storage devices using: `sudo fdisk -l`

Identify the target drive (e.g., `/dev/sdb`).

2. Create a Forensic Image of the Drive:

- Use `dcfldd` to create a forensic image:

```
sudo dcfldd if=/dev/sdb of=/path/to/output/image.dd hash=md5,sha256
```

```
hashlog=/path/to/output/image.hash.log
```

- Explanation of flags:

`if=/dev/sdb`: Specifies the input drive.

`of=/path/to/output/image.dd`: Specifies the output image file.

`hash=md5,sha256`: Computes MD5 and SHA-256 hashes.

`hashlog=/path/to/output/image.hash.log`: Saves hashes in a log file.

3. Verify the Integrity of the Image

- Compare hashes of the original drive and forensic image to confirm integrity.

- Use `md5sum` and `sha256sum` commands:

```
md5sum /path/to/output/image.dd
```

```
sha256sum /path/to/output/image.dd
```

- Compare these hashes to those in `image.hash.log`.

4. Document the Process

- Document each step, noting drive details, acquisition time, and hash values.
- This is essential for the chain of custody and validation of evidence integrity.

5. Analyze the Forensic Image

- Proceed with forensic analysis on the SIFT workstation using tools like Autopsy, The Sleuth Kit, or bulk_extractor.

