

Imaging Systems

```
# dd if=input file of=output file options
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Example Input Files (if = *input file*)

LINUX
/dev/hda (First IDE Physical Drive)
/dev/hda2 (Second Logical Partition)
/dev/sda (First SCSI Physical Drive)

WINDOWS
\.\PhysicalDrive0 (First Physical Drive)
\.\D: (Logical Drive D:)
\.\PhysicalMemory (Physical Memory)

Example Output Files (of = *output file*)

\\\hostname\share\imagefile.img (Windows Share)
imagefile.img (Bit Image File)
/dev/usb/ (USB Drive)
/dev/hdb (2nd IDE Drive)

Useful Options

bs= block size (sets the block size)
count=N (copy only N blocks FILE)
skip=N (skip ahead N blocks FILE)
conv=noerror (do not stop on errors)

DCFLDD for creating integrity checks and status
dcfldd if=(input file) of=(output file)
hashwindow=0 hashlog=input_file.md5.txt

MMLS to split out partitions from physical image

mmls -t dos imagefile (-t is the type of drive)
Slot Start (skip) End Length (count) Description
02: 00:00 000000063 0001028159 0001028097 Win95 FAT32 (0x0B)

Use dd to pull the logical image from physical image

dd if=imagefile bs=512 skip=63 count=1028097
of=imagefile.partition1.img

Netcat

Netcat is used to transfer output from one system to another.

Listener: # nc -l -p port
Client: # nc hostname port -w 3

Sleuthkit Tools

File System Layer Tools

fsstat -Displays details about the file system
fsstat -f fs-type imagefile.img

Data Layer Tools

dcat -Displays the contents of a disk block
dcat -f fs-type imagefile.img fragment_num
dls -Lists contents of deleted disk blocks
dls -f fs-type imagefile.img > imagefile.dls
dcalc -Maps between dd images and dls results
dcalc -f fs-type imagefile.img -u
fragment_num_dls
dstat -Lists statistics associated with specific disk blocks
dstat -f fs-type imagefile.img fragment_num

Meta Data Layer Tools

ils -Displays inode details
ils -f fs-type imagefile.img
istat -Displays information about a specific inode
istat -f fs-type imagefile.img inode_num
icat -Displays contents of disk blocks allocated to an inode
icat -f fs-type imagefile.img inode_num
ifind -Determine which inode has allocated a block in an image
ifind -f fs-type dev_hde8.img -d block_num

Filename Layer Tools

fls -Displays deleted file entries in a directory inode
fls -rpd -f fs-type imagefile.img
ffind -Determine which file has allocated an inode in an image
ffind -f fs-type imagefile.img 26466

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Purpose

Forensic Analysts are on the front lines of computer investigations. This guide aims to support Forensic Analysts in their quest to uncover the truth.

How To Use This Sheet

When performing an investigation it is helpful to be reminded of the powerful options available to the investigator. This document is aimed to be a reference to the tools that could be used. Each of these commands runs locally on a system.

This sheet is split into these sections:

- Mounting Images
- Imaging Systems
- Integrity Checking
- Netcat
- Automated Forensic Data Collection
- Recovering Data
- Creating Timelines
- String Searches
- The Sleuthkit

The key to successful forensics is minimizing your data loss, accurate reporting, and a thorough investigation.

Mounting Images

```
mount -t fstype [options] image mountpoint
```

device can be a disk partition or image file

Useful Options (-o)

ro	mount as read only
loop	mount on a loop device
noexec	do not execute files
noatime	do not adjust last access times
uid= <i>user_id</i>	mount as a specific user
gid= <i>group_id</i>	mount as a group
umask= <i>set permissions</i>	
show_sys_files=true	(For NTFS file system only)

Example: Mount an image file at mount_location

```
# mount -t fs_type -o loop,  
ro,umask=0222,uid=forensic,gid=users  
imagefile.img /mnt/hack/mount_location
```

Integrity Checking

Perform integrity checks on a file or an imagefile to ensure the data has not changed use md5sum.

Example: Calculate a hash for partition 1 of disk hda

```
# md5sum /dev/hda1
```

Tool designed to recursively go through a file system to calculate md5 hashes

-r recursive mode

```
# md5deep -r /
```

Creating Timelines

Create the body file of all filename data using fls

```
# fls -f fs-type -m mountpoint -r imagefile.img >  
imagefile.flb  
mountpoint = location of mount ( / or C: )
```

Create the body file of all deleted inode structures

```
# ils -f fs-type -m imagefile.img >  
imagefile.ils  
Entries from 'ils' will have names such as:  
<dev_hde8.img-dead-992>
```

Create the overall body file

```
# cat imagefile.?ls > imagefile.mac
```

Create the timeline

```
# mactime -b imagefile.mac > timeline.all
```

String Searches

Perform a string search in an image and list the offset

```
# strings --radix=d imagefile.img
```

Unicode strings can be searched for using (*sstrings*)

Search for a specific string in an image using grep

GREP Useful Options

-i	ignore case
-A Num	print Num lines AFTER
-B Num	print Num lines BEFORE
-f <i>dirty_word_list</i>	

```
# strings --radix=d imagefile.img |  
grep -i password -A 8
```

Perform a Dirty Word Search on an image

```
# cat imagefile.img | strings  
--radix=d | grep -f dirty_word_list
```

Automated Forensic Data Collection

WINDOWS (Windows Forensic Toolchest)

Use WFT to automate the gathering of information on your windows system. You can execute this from a CDROM D: and set your output file (-dst) to a network share

```
D:\wft_directory\wft.exe -cfg wft_config.cfg  
-dst \\server\share\
```

Edit your wft_config.cfg file to gather exactly what is needed.

Recovering Data

Create Unallocated Image Using dls

```
# dls -f fs-type imagefile.img >  
unallocated_imagefile.dls
```

Create Slack Image Using dls (for FAT and NTFS)

```
# dls -f fs-type -s imagefile.img >  
imagefile.slack
```

Use foremost and lazarus on raw data, slack space, memory, and unallocated space

Lazarus - Attempts to identify disk blocks

```
# lazarus -h unallocated_imagefile.dls
```

Foremost - Carves out files based on headers and footers

```
# foremost -o outputdir -c  
/path/to/foremost.conf data_images
```