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Section 1 - Part 1

Mac Fundamentals

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Apple & Mac History

- Apple Computer was established on April 1, 1976 in Cupertino, CA by:
 - Steve Jobs
 - Steve Wozniak
 - Ronald Wayne
- Apple I (\$666.66)
- First Macintosh released in 1984 (\$2,500)
- Mac OS X released in 2001



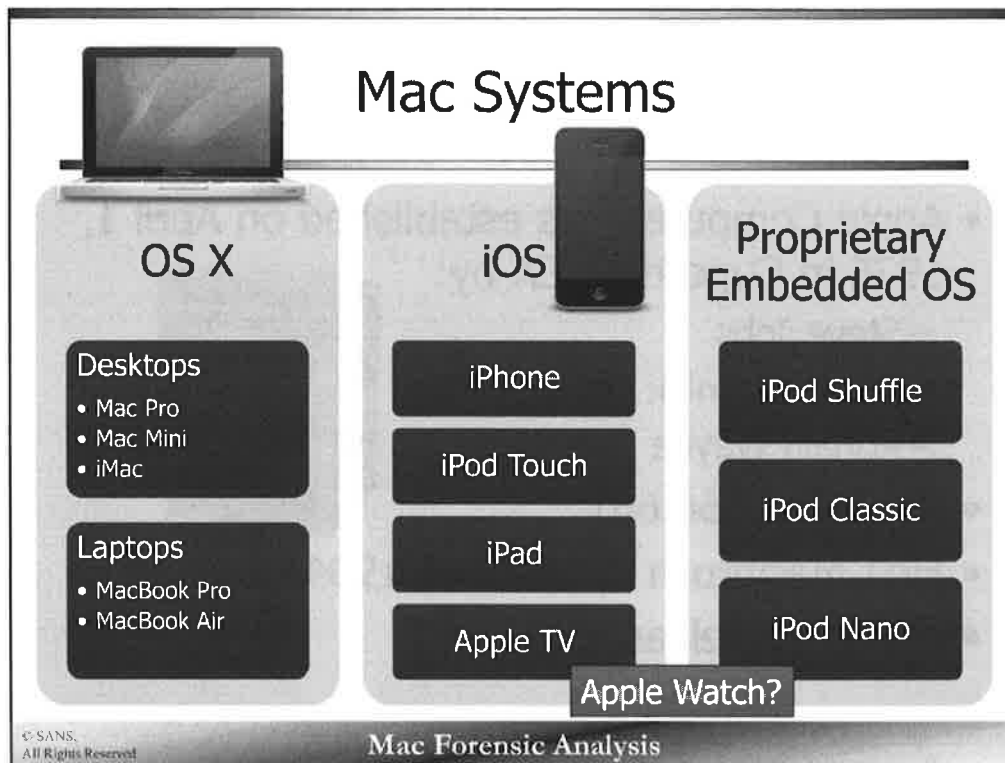
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Apple Computer was established on April 1, 1976 (incorporated January 3, 1977) by Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak and Ronald Wayne.

The first computer they sold was the Apple I for \$666.66 in 1976. In 1984 the first Macintosh was introduced to the Super Bowl audience with the famous “1984” commercial. The Macintosh was touted as the first commercially successful personal computer with a graphical user interface. It was also \$2,500!

Macintosh computers use the Mac Operating System (Mac OS). The older Macs used the “Classic” Mac OS (System 1-9) while the newer Macs use Mac OS X (Ten). Mac OS X introduced a Unix-based operating system.

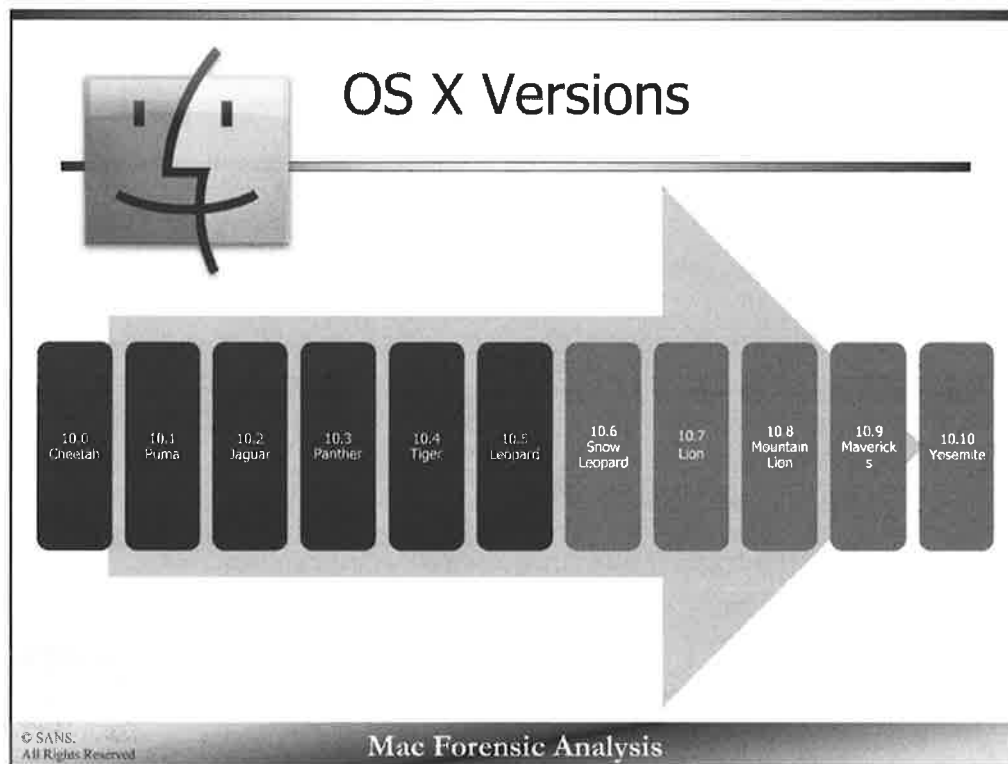


Modern Mac Systems are comprised of three types: OS X, iOS and a proprietary embedded operating system.

OS X is featured on the desktop and laptop product lines.

iOS is featured on mobile devices such as the iPhone, iPad and the Apple TV. iOS is based upon OS X, and could be considered OS X “lite”. It has many of the same characteristics and file system intricacies but does not contain all the software and features of OS X.

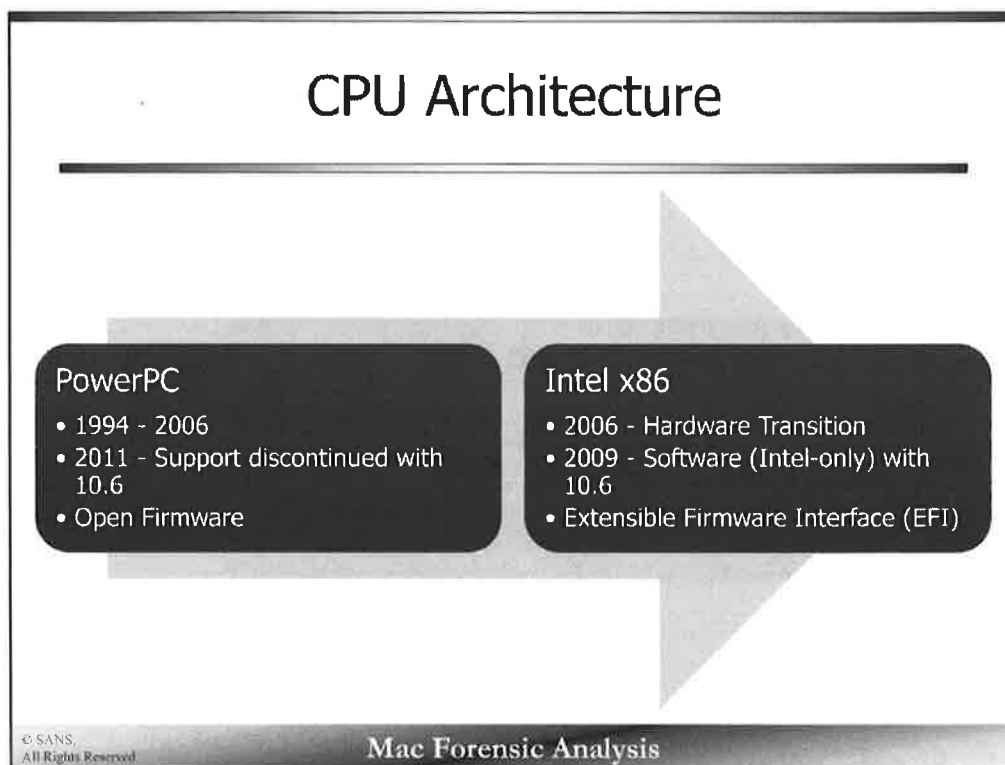
The iPod Shuffle, Nano, and Classic contain a proprietary embedded operating system.



There have been eleven versions of OS X, 10.0 – 10.10. The latest, Yosemite was released in October of 2014.

OS X introduced the Unix-based operating system with an easy-to-use GUI for the casual user.

This class will feature some items since 10.6, unless otherwise noted. Each version of the operating system changes slightly and can differ in various ways. Where appropriate the version of the operating system will be listed, but be aware that changes may vary and testing the various operating systems may help you with specific questions.

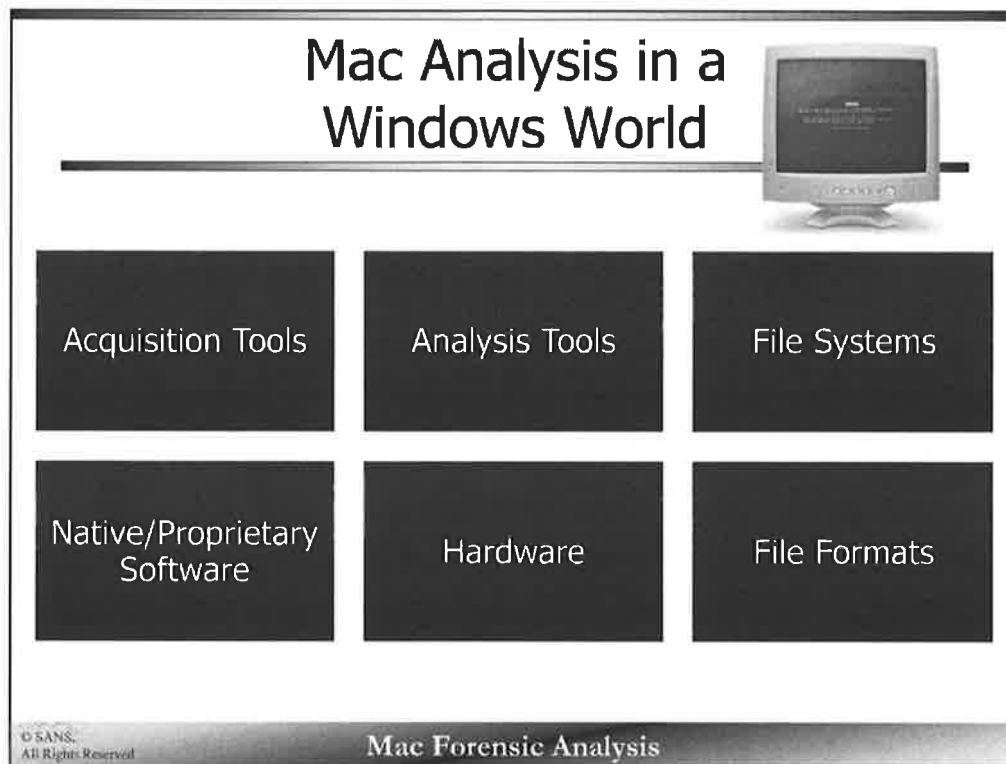


After the introduction of Unix core components to the operating system, Apple Computer made the transition from PowerPC to Intel x86 architecture.

PowerPC (Performance Optimization With Enhanced RISC – Performance Computing) was used from 1994 to 2006. PowerPC was no longer supported with OS X Snow Leopard (10.6). This architecture used the Open Firmware interface, similar to a PC's BIOS. The last version of OS X that was PowerPC-only was OS X Panther (10.3). This interface was accessible using the CMD+Option+O+F.

The Intel x86 transition started in 2006. OS X Tiger (10.4) was the first available OS X version that one could use on x86 architecture. Intel-based Macs use the Extensible Firmware Interface (EFI), also similar to a PC's BIOS.

Open Firmware and EFI interface between the hardware and the operating system to provide drivers and a pre-OS environment. EFI has additional advantages such as the ability to boot from USB, and larger disks.



The Windows platform is by far the most popular analysis platform in the digital forensics community.

Many of the tools used for acquisition are the same as those used in acquiring Windows systems. A hard drive is a hard drive. Live acquisitions, however, pose a different challenge, the same techniques can be used but tools specific to Mac OS X will be needed to acquire memory, create an image, and to gather volatile data.

Analysis tools may also be the same as those used for Windows systems (i.e.: Encase, FTK, X-Ways). Many of the most popular forensic analysis tools can be used with varying success depending on their Hierarchical File System Plus (HFS+) file system interpretation and Mac-specific file capabilities. Not all tools understand what a binary property list file is. The Mac OS, as with many operating systems, uses different software and file formats.

The HFS+ file system can bring up certain challenges to forensic tools and analysis techniques. For example, HFS+ cannot be read or written to natively on Windows systems, therefore mounting an HFS+ drive in Windows requires additional software or the use of a Mac.

Timestamp Formats

HFS+ Dates or
Mac OS

- 32bit
- 1/1/1904 00:00:00 UTC
- Example: 3487322096 (0xCFDC4FF0)

Unix Epoch

- 32bit
- 1/1/1970 00:00:00 UTC
- Example: 1404477296 (0x53B69F70)

Mac Epoch or
Mac Absolute or
Cocoa or Webkit

- 32bit
- 1/1/2001 00:00:00 UTC
- Example: 426170096 (0x1966D6F0)

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You will encounter a variety of timestamps on a Mac system. While Unix epoch is relatively well known, the number of seconds from midnight on 1/1/1970, the HFS+ file system uses a different epoch date, midnight on 1/1/1904. Another epoch time, sometimes called Mac Absolute Time starts at midnight on 1/1/2001.

Throughout the class the various timestamps will be highlighted.

Convert timestamps using `date -ur <epochtime>`:

- Mac Epoch – add 978307200
- HFS+ Date – subtract 2082844800

For example:

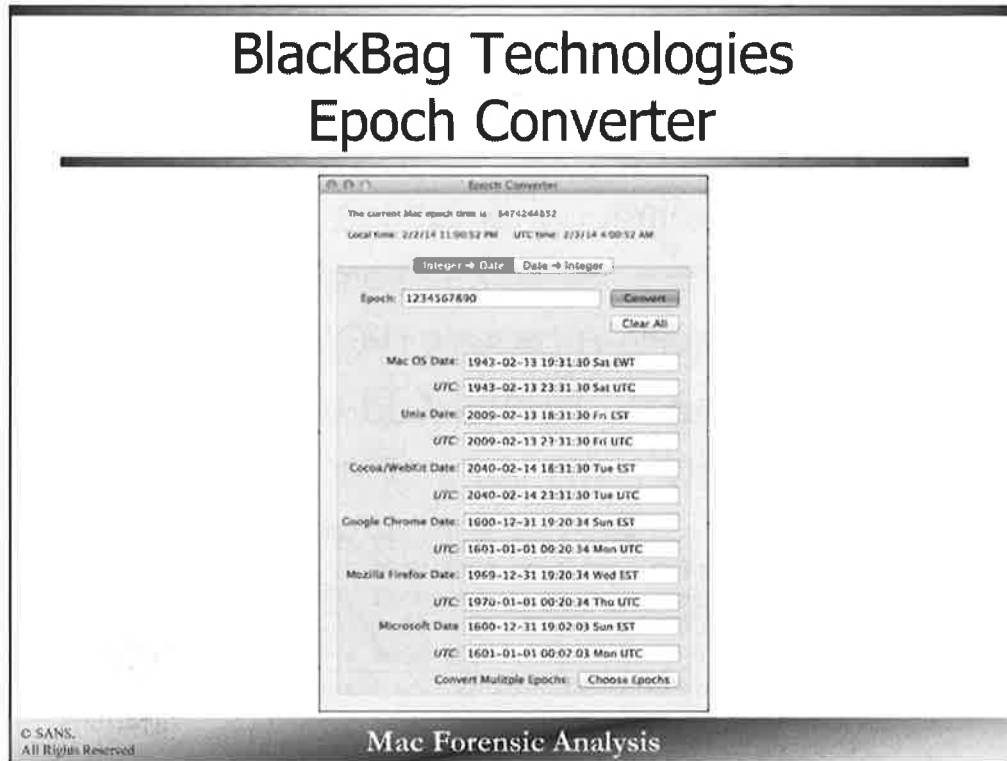
```
$ date -ur 1234567890
Fri Feb 13 23:31:30 UTC 2009
```

Reference:

Mac Developer Library – NSDate Class Reference

[https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#documentation/Cocoa/Reference/Foundation/Classes/NSDate_Class/Reference/Reference.html]

BlackBag Technologies Epoch Converter



BlackBag Technologies has a wonderful GUI-based timestamp converter. It has the ability to convert from timestamp integer to date and vice versa.

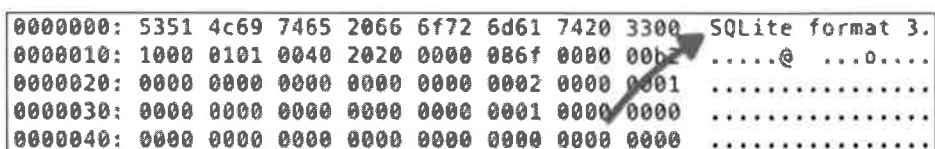
This utility supports many timestamp formats in local system time and UTC:

- Mac OS (HFS+)
- Unix Epoch
- Cocoa/Webkit
- Google Chrome
- Mozilla Firefox
- Microsoft

This application is similar to Dcode by Digital Detective for Windows-based systems.

SQLite Databases

- SQL-based relational database
- File Signature – “SQLite format 3”
- SQLite Database Browsers (PC/Mac)
- SQLite Manager - Firefox Add-on (PC/Mac)
- Command Line: `sqlite3` (Mac)



A hex dump of a file's first 40 bytes. The first line shows the signature 'SQLite format 3.' in ASCII. An arrow points to the '3' in the signature. The second line shows the ASCII string '.....@ ...0....'. The third line shows '.....'. The fourth line shows '.....'. The fifth line shows '.....'. The sixth line shows '.....'.

00000000:	5351	4c69	7465	2066	6f72	6d61	7420	3300	SQLite format 3.
00000010:	1000	0101	0040	2020	0000	086f	0000	00b2	.....@ ...0....
00000020:	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0002	0000	0001	.....
00000030:	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0001	0000	0000
00000040:	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000

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Software on Mac systems use SQLite databases to store various types of information such as settings and Internet histories. SQLite is a SQL-based relational database. These databases can have multiple tables with multiple types of keys and values.

In the screenshot above, the signature used for SQLite databases is “SQLite format 3”. An easy way to carve for these files would be to use that signature as a starting point.

SQLite files are non-system specific and can be viewed using different tools for Mac, Windows or Linux systems. You may want to use SQLite Database Browser. This application was recently updated and now handles newer SQLite files that it was not able to do before.

Another utility to use the Firefox Add-On “SQLite Manager”. This add-on can be used with any system that Firefox can be installed on. [<https://addons.mozilla.org/cn-US/firefox/addon/sqlite-manager/>]

SQLite Database Firefox SQLite Manager Plugin

The screenshot shows the Firefox SQLite Manager Plugin interface. On the left, a tree view shows the database structure for 'Cache.db'. The 'cfurl_cache_response' table is selected. The main pane displays the table's structure and a list of rows. The table has seven columns: entry_ID, version, hash_value, storage_policy, request_key, time_stamp, and partition. The rows show various cache entries, mostly from LinkedIn.

entry_ID	version	hash_value	storage_policy	request_key	time_stamp	partition
8001	0	-76386465...	0	http://secure-u...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8002	0	602016332...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8003	0	514109032...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8004	0	300130991...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8005	0	-34902579...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8006	0	236992091...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8007	0	-827754063...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8008	0	847787110...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8009	0	-11653670...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8010	0	715792937...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8011	0	347864710...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8012	0	-9158089...	0	http://m.c.lnk...	2014-05-29 0...	linkedin.com
8013	0	429496940...	0	http://ad.doubl...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com
8014	0	-42793857...	0	http://www.goo...	2014-05-29 01...	linkedin.com

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This is an example of the Safari Cache.db SQLite database. The screenshot shown is using the Firefox SQLite Manager Plugin.

On the left under “Tables” there are five tables shown:

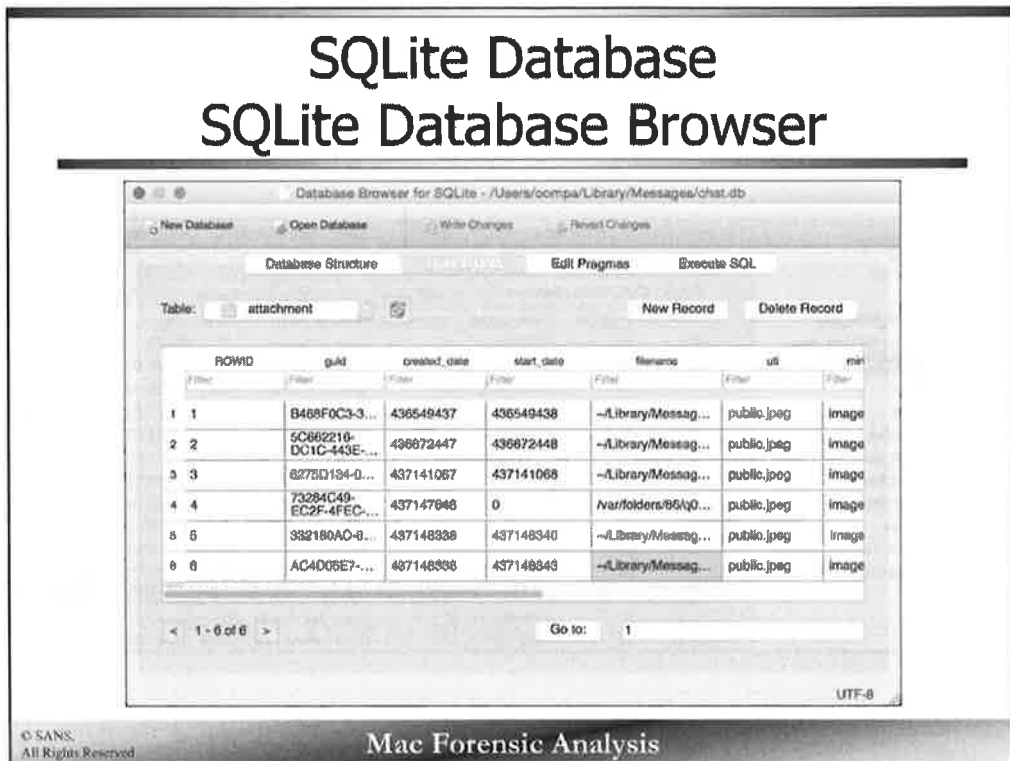
- cfurl_cache_blob_data
- cfurl_cache_receiver_data
- cfurl_cache_response
- cfurl_cache_schema_version
- sqlite_sequence

Each table is made up of row (or tuples) and columns.

In the example shown, this table has seven columns:

- entry_ID
- version
- hash_value
- storage_policy
- request_key
- time_stamp
- partition

SQLite Database SQLite Database Browser



This screenshot shows an example of SQLite Database Browser.

This is a standalone application that does not require a browser. Each analyst may have their own favorite SQLite database viewer, please choose what you prefer to use.



Property List Files

- XML - File Signature – “<?xml version=”
- Binary - File Signature – “bplist00”
- Open on Mac – Xcode, plutil
- Open on PC – iBackupBot Plist Editor, Reaper

```
00000000: 3c3f 786d 6c20 7665 7273 696f 6e3d 2231 <?xml version="1
00000010: 2e30 2220 656e 636f 6469 6e67 3d22 5f34 .0" encoding="UT
00000020: 462d 3822 3f3e 0a3c 2144 4f43 5450 5045 F-8"?>.<!DOCTYPE
00000030: 2070 6c69 7374 2050 5542 4c49 4320 222d plist PUBLIC "-
```

```
00000000: 6270 6c69 7374 3030 d501 0203 0405 0601 bplist00.....
00000010: 0c0d 0c5f 1010 546f 6767 6c65 436f 6e74 ....ToggleCont
00000020: 726f 6c4b 6579 5f10 1c44 6f6e 7451 7569 rolKey_..DontQui
00000030: 7457 6865 6e4c 6173 7457 696e 646f 7743 tWhenLastWindowC
```

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Property list files usually contain configuration data, similar to the Windows registry. These files come in two formats, XML or binary. The older format, XML is human-readable and has the file signature of “<?xml version=”. The newer binary format is used as it is more efficient on disk space. This format has the file signature “bplist00” for binary plist.

These files can be read using the Xcode or by the command-line tool `plutil`.

Xcode is not installed by default on Mac OS X, it can be installed by downloading it from Apple’s website or by using the Mac App Store. Older versions of Xcode had a utility named “Property List Editor” that reads property list files without the extraneous bulk of Xcode. Newer versions of Xcode include a property list editor; however, it may take a while to load the whole Xcode programming environment.

A command line tool, `plutil`, can be used to convert property list files into other formats such as binary to XML, or XML to JSON.

On windows systems, there is one tool that the author has found to parse the property list files, it doesn’t work nearly as well as the Mac tools but it works in a pinch. iBackupBot Plist Editor –
[<http://www.icopybot.com/download.htm>] or Reaper (<http://insidethecore.com/reaper/reaper.html>)

Property List Files Xcode Example

Key	Type	Value
Root	Dictionary	(15 items)
SkipSystemFiles	Boolean	NO
ExcludeByPath	Array	(3 items)
BackupAlias	Data	<00000000 03980002 00010444 61746100 000
MobileBackups	Boolean	YES
AutoBackup	Boolean	NO
AlwaysShowDeletedBackupsWarning	Boolean	NO
IncludeByPath	Array	(2 items)
LocalizedDiskImageVolumeName	String	Time Machine Backups
SkipPaths	Array	(0 items)
LastCompactTime	Number	1,398,670,537
HostUUIDs	Array	(2 items)
RootVolumeUUID	String	2603D680-8EBD-36BD-ASF4-989446F8E07
LastDestinationID	String	BBC17CF7-F535-4A88-9132-85DD483CD352
Destinations	Array	(1 item)
Item 0	Dictionary	(9 items)
RESULT	Number	7
BytesUsed	Number	1,954,026,766,336
DestinationUUIDs	Array	(2 items)
SnapshotDates	Array	(1 item)
BackupAlias	Data	<00000000 03980002 00010444 61746100 000
DateOfLatestWarning	Date	Apr 26, 2014, 2:25:18 AM
BytesAvailable	Number	43,880,669,184
MessageParameters	Array	(2 items)
DestinationID	String	BBC17CF7-F535-4A88-9132-85DD483CD352
PreferencesVersionID	Number	4

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An example of a property list is shown in the screenshot above. This property list is being viewed with the internal Xcode plist viewer.

Each property list contains keys and values. Each value can have different data types such as:

- Boolean - On/Off, Yes/No, 0/1
- Array - Contains additional keys/values
- Data - Binary Data Blob, can be extracted and viewed in a hex editor
 - May contain embedded property lists
- Number
- String
- Date - Dates are shown in local host system time (make sure to check your time zones!)
- Dictionary - Contains additional keys/values (similar to Array)

Property List Files

plutil -p Example

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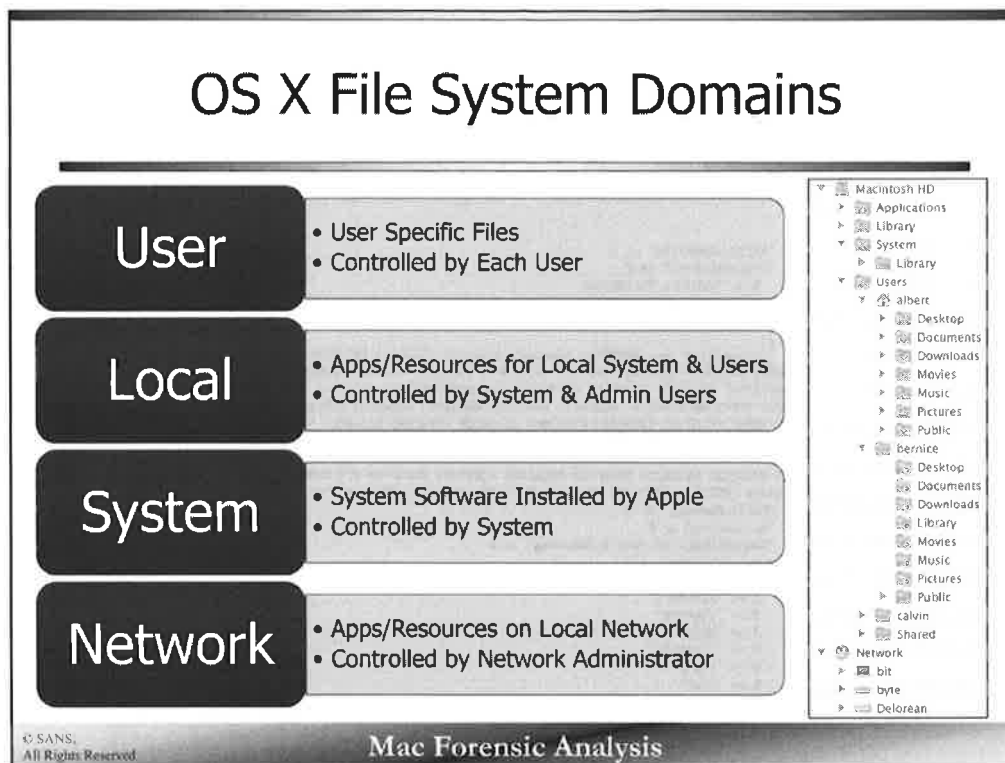
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You can also view property lists on the command line using the OS X native tool, `plutil`. Use the `-p` parameter to “print” the property list. The default print view is JSON formatted.

You can also use `plutil` to convert property lists from binary to XML.

Reference:

plutil Man Page



The Mac OS X file system is made up of four domains; user, local, system, and network.

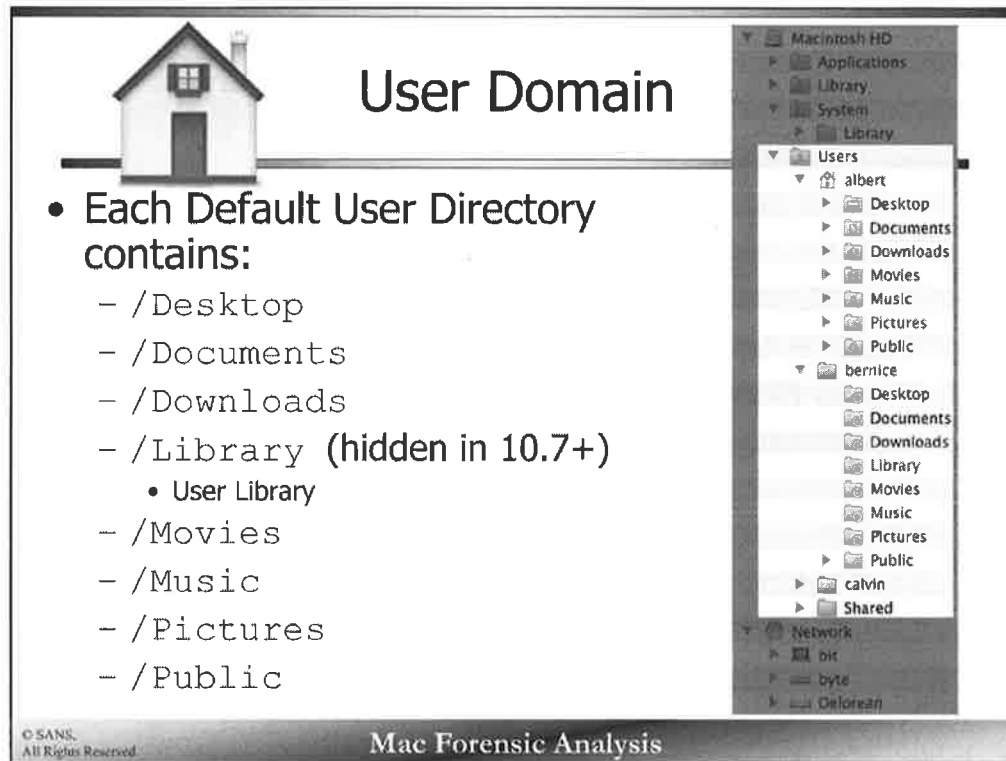
Each domain has a purpose, they may contain user files, system resources, or network data. The domains are used to separate files based on their usage. The breakdown of the domains helps implement access controls so a file is cannot intentionally or unintentionally modified to keep the system secure and functional.

In the following slides, each domain section will be highlighted to show where in the logical file system the files are located.

Reference:

File System Programming Guide – File System Basics

[<https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/DOCUMENTATION/FileManagement/Conceptual/FileSystemProgrammingGuide/FileSystemOverview/FileSystemOverview.html>]



The User Domain consists of all the user files. Their documents, pictures, music, etc.

Each user has their own home directory in the /Users/ folder, marked by a house icon in the screenshot above. If a user is logged on, default permissions will not allow them to view the files in another user's directory noted by the red circle with the line icon.

Most of the directories are self explanatory in terms of information they may contain. The public folder may contain data the user wants to share with other users. The user's Library directory contains app-specific data.

This domain may also contain "Sites" directory if web sharing is enabled; this would contain the user's personal web site.

Starting with Mac OS X Lion, the user's Library folder was hidden. Some users may prefer to be able to view the files easily. The author finds that it helps forensic research to have the Library directory to be viewable. The command to permanently change this for a specific account is below. It may also be accessed by holding down the "option" key when accessing it via the 'Go' menu in the Finder Toolbar.

```
chflags nohidden /Users/<username>/Library
```


Reference:

File System Programming Guide – File System Basics

[<https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/DOCUMENTATION/FileManagement/Conceptual/FileSystemProgrammingGuide/FileSystemOverview/FileSystemOverview.html>]

Local Domain

- /Applications
 - Contains applications for all users
- /Library
 - Local Library - Contains application specific data
- /Developer
 - ...or /Library/Developer
 - ...or /Applications/Xcode.app/...



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The local domain consists of the applications folder, the (local) Library directory, and if installed, the Developer directory. This domain is used to store the files that may be shared amongst the users, such as applications.

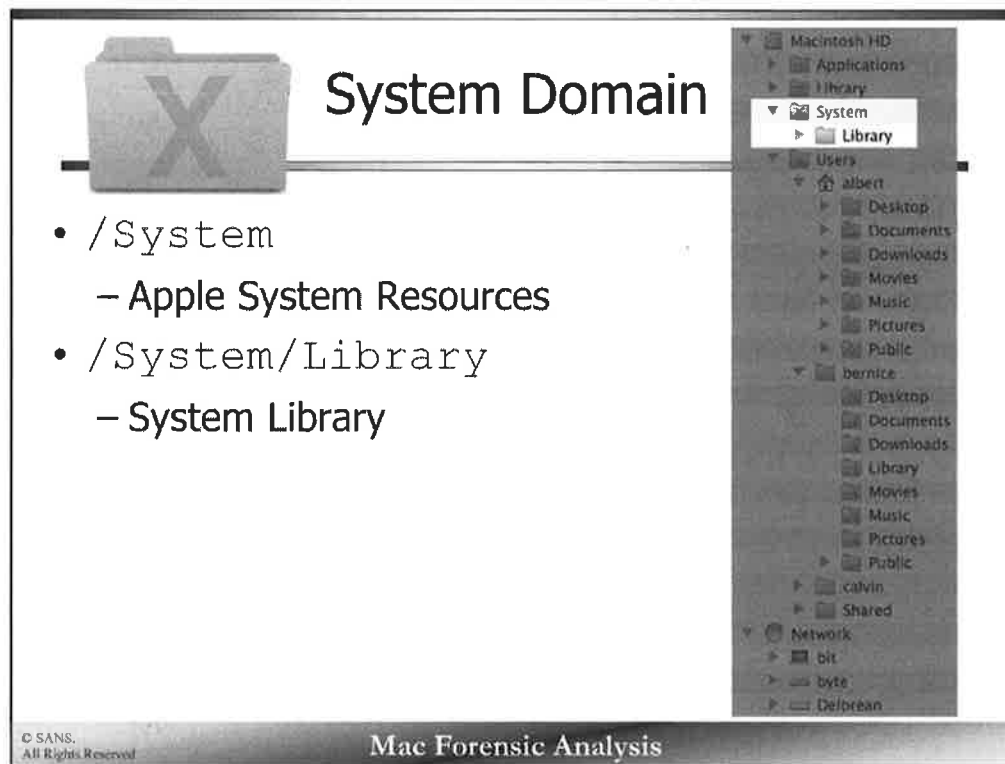
The /Applications directory contains the applications available to all users of the system. It is not necessary to run an application from the /Applications directory, it may be run from a user directory if needed. Applications from the Mac App Store are installed in the /Applications directory.

The /Developer directory is created when Xcode is installed. The Developer directory may be located in either the root (/), under /Library or embedded in the Xcode.app application in the /Applications directory. The Developer folder contains Apple Developer (Mac, iOS,) related data and resources.

Reference:

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The System Domain is used to store Apple specific system software.

The System Domain contains the System Library directory which contains files associated with Apple system resources.

The primary files we will be looking at in this domain are system preferences and data files.

You may have noticed a common theme in the directory structure. There are three Library directories on Mac OS X, each with its own purpose. It is easy to get confused about which Library directory contains what data, this class will discuss the difference between each Library directory and the contents located within.

- User Library - /Users/<username>/Library/
- Local Library - /Library/
- System Library - /System/Library/

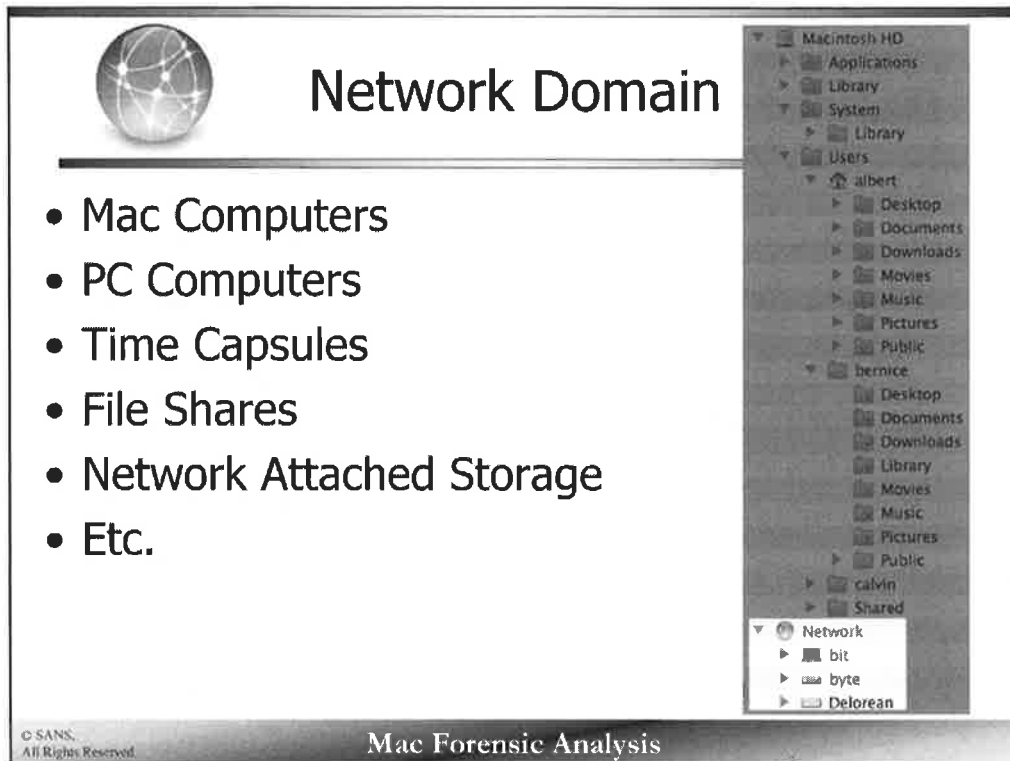
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File System Program Guide – OS X Library Directory Details

[https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/DOCUMENTATION/FileManagement/Conceptual/FileSystemProgrammingGuide/MacOSXDirectories/MacOSXDirectories.html#apple_ref/doc/uid/TP40010672-CH10-SW1]



The Network Domain contains the network resources such as network area storage, Time Capsules, and other systems on the network.

Reference:

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Part 5 – Mounting Disk Images

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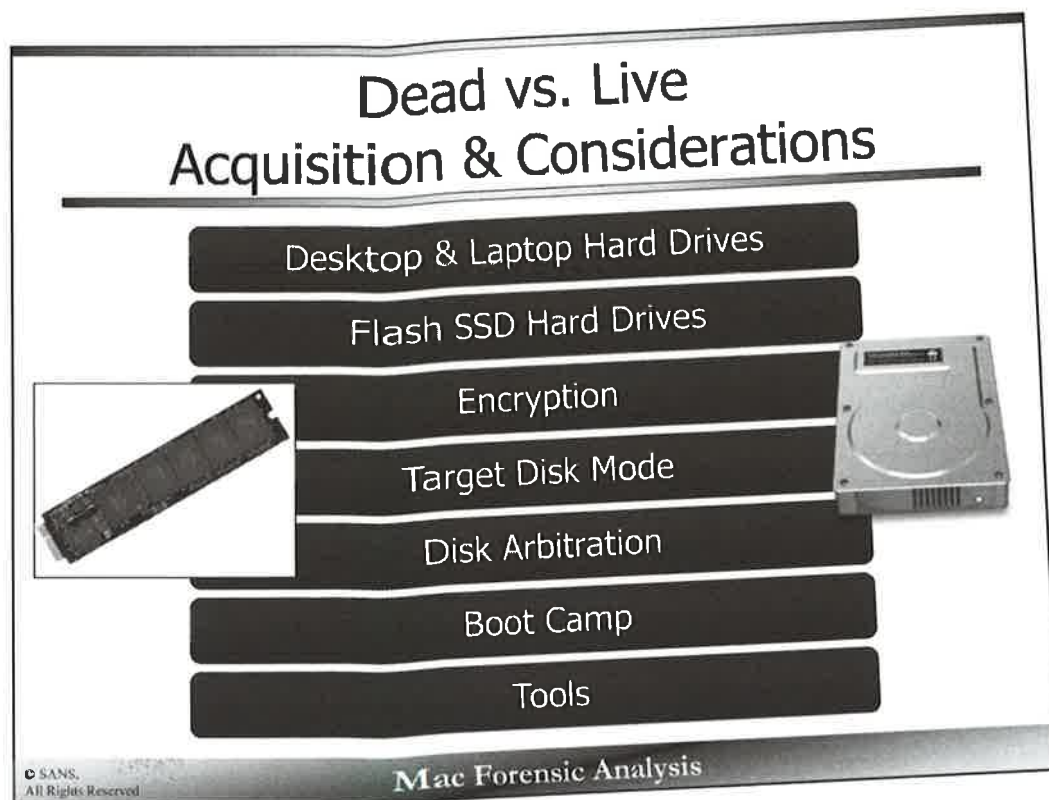
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Section 1 – Part 2

Acquisition & Live Response

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Many of the same tools used for other systems can be used to acquire a Mac. If necessary and physically possible, the hard drives can be removed for acquisition, the author recommends using the website <http://www.ifixit.com/> for hard drive removal instructions. Some Macs are known to be harder to extract the hard drive from than others.

The MacBook Air has introduced solid-state/flash hard drives to a wide variety of users. Most models do not use the "regular" 1.8" or 2.5" Solid-state Drive (SSD) hard drive; rather they use a bank of flash chips on a board with a non-standard interface. As of this writing, Old World Computing makes an external enclosure for the MacBook Air SSD drives that will allow use of standard interfaces. Search for "OWC Mercury On-The-Go USB External Enclosure Solution for MacBook Air" (<http://eshop.macsales.com/item/OWC/SSDAPOTGU3/>)

Encryption can make dead-drive acquisition difficult with Legacy FileVault and FileVault 2 encryption. Legacy FileVault encrypts the user's home directory, while FileVault2 implements full disk encryption. This does not make acquisition impossible, you may image the drive, but you better hope you can get the password! If a system is using FileVault and is up and running – it is best to image unencrypted while you can.

Target Disk Mode (TDM) is used to acquire a Mac hard drive (primary drive only) while still in its original machine. This allows the computer to be seen by an analysis system as an external FireWire/Thunderbolt drive. Some systems, including older MacBook Airs do not have FireWire or Thunderbolt ports, therefore TDM is not possible. When a hard drive has a Boot Camp partition, you will see two volumes – one OS X the other for Windows. If a hard drive has been encrypted using FileVault2, this volume will need to be unlocked. This is described in detail in Section 4. Booting the target system with the "T" key held down can access this mode.

It is worth noting that older systems may have an Open Firmware password may be set, there are a few methods can may be used (with varying levels of success):

- Change the amount of RAM in the system and reboot.
- Press Command+Option+P+R to clear the PRAM.

You may enter the Open Firmware terminal by using Command+Option+O+F key sequence.

On newer systems, if the EFI Firmware password is set you will need to obtain a specific key hash and send to Apple (subpoenas@apple.com). Instructions can be found here: <http://www.cnet.com/news/efi-firmware-protection-locks-down-newer-macs/>).

Disk arbitration is the process that automatically mounts disks. When acquiring disks using a Mac be aware if Disk Arbitration is enabled or not, you may automatically mount an evidential disk (which makes writes to it). This can be turned on/off using the `launchctl` commands (these commands are not persistent after a reboot):

Enable (Enabled by default):

```
sudo launchctl load
/System/Library/LaunchDaemons/com.apple.diskarbitrationd.plist
```

Disable:

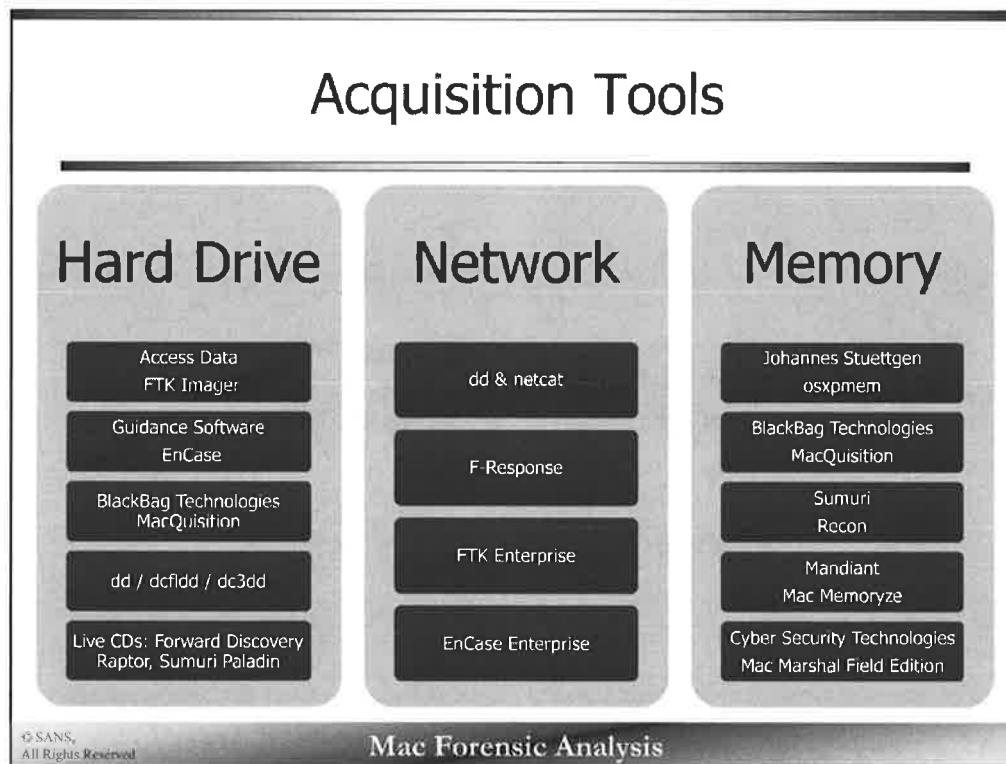
```
sudo launchctl unload
/System/Library/LaunchDaemons/com.apple.diskarbitrationd.plist
```

To determine if disk arbitration is running run the following command to search for the `diskarbitrationd` process (should be under the `root` user context):

```
ps auxw | grep diskarbitrationd
```

Boot Camp is used to create two bootable partitions, one for OS X and one for Windows. While in Target Disk Mode, if the Mac has a Boot Camp partition (a Windows installation on a separate partition) it should be noted that this may be automatically mounted on a Windows acquisition system. It is also possible to triple-boot (Linux!) Mac systems using third-party tools, the most notable is `rEFIt` (<http://refit.sourceforge.net/>).

SSD picture from iFixit.com [www.ifixit.com/Teardown/MacBook+Air+11-Inch+Late+2010+Teardown].



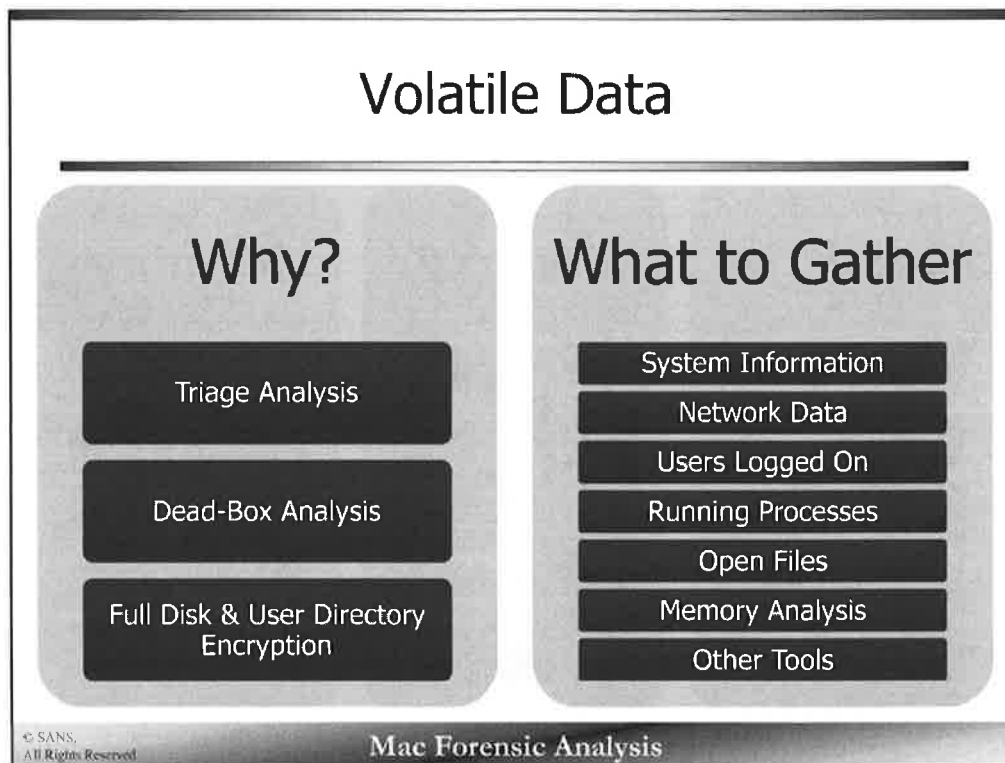
Many of the same acquisition tools can be used on hard drives. Hard drives are hard drives – the same tools you use for Windows-based imaging can be used for Mac systems.

Live acquisition should be used if you need to acquire volatile data or a drive that has implemented encryption. Many of the same tools used for dead-drive acquisition have live response functions as well.

It may be necessary to acquire a system over the network; whether for enterprise or simple distance issues. There are tools that range from a simple over-the-network implementation of `dd` and `netcat` or full-blown enterprise suites.

Memory acquisition may be needed for investigations that are highly dependent on volatile data such as network investigations.

The tools listed are not the only tools available, there are many options at various price points on the market, it is up to you and/or your organization to find the right product for your needs.



Volatile data may be necessary to gather in many types of investigations.

A quick triage may be needed to verify certain data points of a system such as the IP address, a running process, or if a specific file is open.

A dead-box analysis may be incomplete without volatile data, the investigation may need information such as running processes or network data to get a full picture of the system.

If a system is completely inaccessible due to encryption, gathering volatile data may be able to make these types of cases successful. With any luck, a memory image may contain a plaintext password!

Collection of volatile information may help an investigator:

- Decrypt an encrypted volume
- Pin-point a connection to a malicious IP address or a server containing lewd material
- Determine a malicious running process
- Determine what files and documents were open at the time of acquisition
- Determine who was logged onto the system at the time of acquisition

Memory Acquisition

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Mandiant
Mac Memoryze

Cyber Security Technologies
Mac Marshal Field Edition

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We will go more in-depth into Mac memory acquisition and analysis in Section 4. The tools listed above are some of the recommended tools to acquire Mac memory.

Each tool has their own limitations and benefits, it is up to the user to determine which tool is best for their current situation. For example, MacQuisition and Recon are part of an applications that acquires volatile data, hard drives, and memory. Mac Marshal is a Mac triage/analysis utility that is available for purchase. Mac Memoryze and osxpmem are free and/or open source but do not acquire additional volatile data or hard drive images.

Note: Each tool requires administrative system privileges to run.

*10.9 changes things up a bit, introducing compress memory. As of this writing OSXPMem, MacQuisition, and Recon are the only tools capable of acquiring memory from systems running 10.9+.

Live Response System Information

date

hostname

uname -a

sw_vers

```
bit:~ oompa$ date
Sun Aug 12 18:13:26 EDT 2012
bit:~ oompa$ hostname
bit
bit:~ oompa$ uname -a
Darwin bit 12.0.0 Darwin Kernel Version 12.0.0: Sun Jun 24 23:00:16 PDT 2012; ro
ot:xnu-2050.7.9~1/RELEASE_X86_64 x86_64
bit:~ oompa$ sw_vers
ProductName:    Mac OS X
ProductVersion: 10.8
BuildVersion:   12A269
```

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These four commands will give you the basic information about the system.

date - The local time of the system.

hostname - The hostname of the system.

uname -a - Prints the OS name, network node name, system architecture/release/name/version information.
(the -a parameter displays all the information available for this command)

sw_vers - Prints the OS X version and build information.

Many similar commands in other systems do not necessarily work by default on the Mac. The Mac may use a completely different command to perform the same action, or it may just implement different option flags. Getting to know the commands and using man pages will help you understand the command line intricacies of the Mac.

More information about mapping the Darwin Kernel versions can be found here:
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Darwin_\(operating_system\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Darwin_(operating_system))


```
bit:~ ompa$ date
Sun Aug 12 18:13:26 EDT 2012
bit:~ ompa$ hostname
bit
bit:~ ompa$ uname -a
Darwin bit 12.0.0 Darwin Kernel Version 12.0.0: Sun Jun 24 23:00:16 PDT 2012; ro
ot:xnu-2050.7.9~1/RELEASE_X86_64 x86_64
bit:~ ompa$ sw_vers
ProductName:    Mac OS X
ProductVersion: 10.8
BuildVersion:  12A269
```

Live Response Active Network Connections

```
netstat -anf inet
```

```
nibble:vm sledwards$ netstat -anf inet
```

Active Internet connections (including servers)

Proto	Recv-Q	Send-Q	Local Address	Foreign Address	(state)
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61743	74.125.228.71.443	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61742	74.125.228.37.443	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61735	107.20.249.221.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61734	107.20.249.221.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61733	108.160.166.10.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61732	108.160.165.253.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61720	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61719	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61718	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61717	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61651	174.129.31.99.443	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61650	174.129.31.99.443	ESTABLISHED

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Was the system connected to a lewd server or a malicious IP address? The `netstat -an` command lists active network connections, these can be used to determine what connections the system has.

The `-a` parameter shows the stat of all network sockets.

The `-n` parameter shows network addresses as numbers (rather than host and domain names).

The `-f` parameter limits the amount of data shown to only IPv4 and IPv6 network sockets, this does not include UNIX sockets.

The output fields:

- Protocol (TCP or UDP)
- Received Queue (bytes)
- Send Queue (bytes)
- Local IP Address and Port
- Foreign (Remote) IP Address and Port
- State of the Connection

nibble:vm sledwards\$ netstat -anf inet

Active Internet connections (including servers)

Proto	Recv-Q	Send-Q	Local Address	Foreign Address	(state)
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61743	74.125.228.71.443	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61742	74.125.228.37.443	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61735	107.20.249.221.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61734	107.20.249.221.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61733	108.160.166.10.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	37	0	192.168.1.206.61732	108.160.165.253.443	CLOSE_WAIT
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61720	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61719	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61718	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61717	8.18.203.20.80	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61651	174.129.31.99.443	ESTABLISHED
tcp4	0	0	192.168.1.206.61650	174.129.31.99.443	ESTABLISHED

Live Response

Active Network Connections by Process

```
lsof -i
```

```
bit:~ oompa$ lsof -i | more
COMMAND  PID  USER  FD  TYPE  DEVICE  SIZE/OFF  NODE NAME
SystemUIS 236 oompa  8u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a706515075  0t0  UDP *:w
NetworkBr 241 oompa  5u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a7065179cd  0t0  UDP *:w
iaagent   258 oompa  12u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a706763535  0t0  UDP localhost:58160->localhost:58160
iaagent   258 oompa  13u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a71bc9bc65  0t0  TCP bit:61027->bos-0085b-rdr4.blue.aol.com:https (ESTABLISHED)
iaagent   258 oompa  16u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a706eeb84d  0t0  TCP bit:61011->qc-in-f125.1e100.net:5223 (ESTABLISHED)
Dropbox   279 oompa  10u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a71bca0c65  0t0  TCP bit:60999->sjc-not18.sjc.dropbox.com:http (ESTABLISHED)
Dropbox   279 oompa  16u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a7065151fd  0t0  UDP *:17500
Dropbox   279 oompa  19u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a70cace20d  0t0  TCP *:17500 (LISTEN)
Dropbox   279 oompa  21u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a710367df5  0t0  TCP bit:61139->v-client-1a.sjc.dropbox.com:https (CLOSE_WAIT)
Dropbox   279 oompa  25u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a709419c65  0t0  TCP localhost:26164 (LISTEN)
Dropbox   279 oompa  28u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a710259ad5  0t0  TCP bit:61035->ec2-107-22-245-91.compute-1.amazonaws.com:https
(CLOSE_WAIT)
Dropbox   279 oompa  29u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a706eebf85  0t0  TCP bit:61045->v-client-2b.sjc.dropbox.com:https (CLOSE_WAIT)
Mail       824 oompa  34u  IPv4  0x9ed2b1a70fed8df5  0t0  TCP bit:61017->mail.csh.rit.edu:imaps (ESTABLISHED)
```

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The `lsof -i` command lists Internet and network connections by process. We can see in the screenshot the Dropbox and Mail applications had active connections.

The output fields:

- Process Name
- Process ID
- User Account
- File Descriptor (See man page for details)
- Type (IPv4, IPv6)
- Device (See man page for details)
- Size/Offset (See man page for details)
- Node (TCP or UDP)
- Connection Information & Status (See man page for details)

Other flags that could be of use are the following:

- `-n` – Show IP addresses instead of network names.
- `-P` – Show port numbers versus names.
- `-l` – Show numeric user IDs versus account names.

bit:~ ompa\$ lsof -i | more									
COMMAND	PID	USER	FD	TYPE	DEVICE	SIZE/OFF	NODE	NAME	
SystemUIS	236	ompa	8u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a706515075	0t0	UDP	*:*	
NetworkBr	241	ompa	5u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a7065179cd	0t0	UDP	*:*	
imagent	258	ompa	12u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a706763535	0t0	UDP	localhost:58160->localhost:58160	
imagent	258	ompa	13u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a71bc9bc65	0t0	TCP	bit:61027->bos-d005b-rdr4.blue.aol.com:https (ESTABLISHED)	
imagent	258	ompa	16u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a706eeb84d	0t0	TCP	bit:61011->qc-in-f125.1e100.net:5223 (ESTABLISHED)	
Dropbox	279	ompa	10u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a71bca0c65	0t0	TCP	bit:60999->sjc-not10.sjc.dropbox.com:http (ESTABLISHED)	
Dropbox	279	ompa	16u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a7065151fd	0t0	UDP	*:17500	
Dropbox	279	ompa	19u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a70cace20d	0t0	TCP	*:17500 (LISTEN)	
Dropbox	279	ompa	21u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a710367df5	0t0	TCP	bit:61139->v-client-1a.sjc.dropbox.com:https (CLOSE_WAIT)	
Dropbox	279	ompa	25u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a709419c65	0t0	TCP	localhost:26164 (LISTEN)	
Dropbox	279	ompa	28u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a710259ad5	0t0	TCP	bit:61035->ec2-107-22-245-91.compute-1.amazonaws.com:https (CLOSE_WAIT)	
Dropbox	279	ompa	29u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a706eebf85	0t0	TCP	bit:61045->v-client-2b.sjc.dropbox.com:https (CLOSE_WAIT)	
Mail	824	ompa	34u	IPv4	0x9ed2b1a70fed8df5	0t0	TCP	bit:61017->mail.csh.rit.edu:imap (ESTABLISHED)	

Live Response Routing Table

```
netstat -rn
```

```
bit:~ oompa$ netstat -rn | more
Routing tables
```

```
Internet:
Destination      Gateway          Flags           Refs      Use    Netif Expire
default          192.168.1.254   UGSc            22         0      en1
127              127.0.0.1       UCS             0          0      lo0
127.0.0.1        127.0.0.1       UH              5    23616   lo0
169.254          link#6          UCS             1          0      en1
169.254.204.125  b8:c7:5d:cc:5:80 UHLSW          0          1      en1
192.168.1        link#6          UCS             5          0      en1
192.168.1.1      c0:3f:e:8c:59:59 UHLWIi         1        104      en1      850
192.168.1.101    127.0.0.1       UHS             0          0      lo0
192.168.1.133    3c:7:54:3:65:20 UHLWIi         0       4502      en1      295
192.168.1.209    d0:23:db:72:91:10 UHLWIi         0         45      en1     1163
192.168.1.254    e0:69:95:50:4c:6 UHLWIir        23        577      en1     1188
192.168.1.255    ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff UHLWbI         0          1      en1
```

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Was this system connected to a specific server recently? The `netstat -rn` command prints the routing table. The routing table can be used to determine recent network connections or static routes.

The `-r` parameter shows the routing table.

The `-n` parameter shows network addresses as numbers (rather than host and domain names).

Note: Leading 0's in MAC addresses may not show in output.

```
bit:~ oompa$ netstat -rn | more
Routing tables
```

Internet:		Gateway	Flags	Refs	Use	Netif	Expire
Destination							
default		192.168.1.254	UGSc	22	0	en1	
127		127.0.0.1	UCS	0	0	lo0	
127.0.0.1		127.0.0.1	UH	5	23616	lo0	
169.254		link#6	UCS	1	0	en1	
169.254.204.125		b8:c7:5d:cc:5:80	UHLWS	0	1	en1	
192.168.1		link#6	UCS	5	0	en1	
192.168.1.1		c0:3f:e:8c:59:59	UHLWII	1	104	en1	850
192.168.1.101		127.0.0.1	UHS	0	0	lo0	
192.168.1.133		3c:7:54:3:65:20	UHLWII	0	4502	en1	295
192.168.1.209		d0:23:db:72:91:10	UHLWII	0	45	en1	1163
192.168.1.254		e0:69:95:50:4c:6	UHLWIIr	23	577	en1	1188
192.168.1.255		ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff	UHLWbI	0	1	en1	

Live Response ARP Table

```
arp -an
```

```
bit:~ oompas$ arp -an
? (169.254.204.125) at b8:c7:5d:cc:5:80 on en1 [ethernet]
? (192.168.1.1) at c0:3f:e:8c:59:59 on en1 ifscope [ethernet]
? (192.168.1.133) at 3c:7:54:3:65:20 on en1 ifscope [ethernet]
? (192.168.1.209) at d0:23:db:72:91:10 on en1 ifscope [ethernet]
? (192.168.1.254) at e0:69:95:50:4c:6 on en1 ifscope [ethernet]
? (192.168.1.255) at ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff on en1 ifscope [ethernet]
```

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Does the target have a NAS hiding in a closet somewhere?

The `arp -an` command prints the Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) table. ARP table shows the IP address to MAC address resolution used for systems on the local network. They may aid in identifying other systems to pursue.

The `-a` parameter shows the stat of all network sockets.

The `-n` parameter shows network addresses as numbers (rather than host and domain names).

Note: Leading 0's in MAC addresses may not show in output.

Live Response Network Configuration

ifconfig

```
bit:~ oompa$ ifconfig
lo0: flags=8049<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 16384
    options=3<RXCSUM,TXCSUM>
    inet6 fe80::1%lo0 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x1
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 0xff000000
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128
gif0: flags=8010<POINTOPOINT,MULTICAST> mtu 1280
stf0: flags=0<> mtu 1280
en0: flags=8863<UP,BROADCAST,SMART,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    options=2b<RXCSUM,TXCSUM,VLAN_HWTAGGING,TS04>
    ether c4:2c:03:00:ca:fd
    media: autoselect (none)
    status: inactive
1w0: flags=8863<UP,BROADCAST,SMART,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 4078
    lladdr e8:06:88:ff:fe:d5:d08
    media: autoselect <full-duplex>
    status: inactive
en1: flags=8863<UP,BROADCAST,SMART,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    ether 90:27:e4:f8:e6:5f
    inet6 fe80::9227:e4ff:fef8:e65faen1 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x6
    inet 192.168.1.101 netmask 0xfffff00 broadcast 192.168.1.255
    media: autoselect
    status: active
p2p0: flags=8843<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 2304
    ether 02:27:e4:f8:e6:5f
    media: autoselect
    status: inactive
```

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The `ifconfig` command prints the network configuration of the system.

In the screenshot we can see this system as multiple network interfaces. The active interface, `en1` has an IP address of `192.168.1.101`. We can also see the various MAC addresses for each interface, this may be helpful if network logs were captured.

Network Interfaces:

- `lo#` - Loopback
- `gif#` - Generic Tunnel
- `stf#` - IPv6 to IPv4 Tunnel
- `en#` - Ethernet or Wireless – These are likely the most important to an investigator.
- `fw#` - FireWire
- `p2p#` - Point-to-Point

More information about the wireless interface can be done by using the `airport` command. This utility is located in a directory that is not in the default user's path therefore it should be run as follows. This command can supply the station name, its MAC address, and its authentication status. (i.e., WPA2, WEP).

```
/System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/Apple80211.framework/Versions/Current/Resources/airport -I
```

The `ifconfig -v` command will produce an additional output starting with "type: *" that contains the type of connection the interface is implementing (i.e.: Wi-Fi, Ethernet, etc.).

```

bit:~ oompa$ ifconfig
lo0: flags=8049<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 16384
    options=3<RXCSUM,TXCSUM>
    inet6 fe80::1%lo0 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x1
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 0xff000000
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128
gif0: flags=8010<POINTOPOINT,MULTICAST> mtu 1280
stf0: flags=0<> mtu 1280
en0: flags=8863<UP,BROADCAST,SMART,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    options=2b<RXCSUM,TXCSUM,VLAN_HWTAGGING,TSO4>
    ether c4:2c:03:09:ca:fd
    media: autoselect (none)
    status: inactive
fw0: flags=8863<UP,BROADCAST,SMART,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 4078
    lladdr e8:06:88:ff:fe:d5:d:08
    media: autoselect <full-duplex>
    status: inactive
en1: flags=8863<UP,BROADCAST,SMART,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    ether 90:27:e4:f8:e6:5f
    inet6 fe80::9227:e4ff:fe:f8:e65f%en1 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x6
    inet 192.168.1.101 netmask 0xfffffff0 broadcast 192.168.1.255
    media: autoselect
    status: active
p2p0: flags=8843<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,SIMPLEX,MULTICAST> mtu 2304
    ether 02:27:e4:f8:e6:5f
    media: autoselect
    status: inactive

```

Live Response Open Files

ls -lsof

```
dist@osx003:~$ ls -lsof | more
COMMAND  PID  USER  FD      TYPE             DEVICE  SIZE/OFF      MODE NAME
loginind  57  oompo  cwd      DIR               1,4      1156          2 /
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4    1498816  5445407 /System/Library/CoreServices/loginwindow.app/Contents/MacOS/loginwindow
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4     98016  5785525 /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/BezelServices.framework/Versions/A/BezelServices
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4     65744  5789745 /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/MachineSettings.framework/Versions/A/MachineSettings
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4    39404  6021456 /System/Library/Caches/com.apple.intldataCache.ln.kbex
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4    17269  5736772 /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/CoreDLANKit.framework/Versions/A/Resources/AirPortLib.pdf
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4     21216  5984643 /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/Kerberos.framework/Versions/A/Resources/kerberos.bundle/Contents/MacOS/heimdaldpa
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4    16537  5736785 /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/CoreDLANKit.framework/Versions/A/Resources/AirPortLib.pdf
loginind  57  oompo  txt      REG              1,4  19822132  9746813 /usr/share/lsu/lsu1491.dat
```

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The `ls -lsof` command prints the open files (and network connections) by the process that is using them. We can see what data files and documents the users' processes has open per application.

It includes the process ID, username, and filename.

For example, keyloggers may have an open file handle to the keylog file they are writing keystrokes to. Using the `ls -lsof` command if we are able to identify a rogue keylogger process we may be able to identify the keylog file.

Live Response Users Logged On [1]

who -a

w

```
bit:~ oompa$ who -a
reboot   ~           Aug  4 11:24 00:24      1
oompa    console    Aug  4 11:26 old         57
oompa    ttys000     Aug 12 18:13 .          13949
oompa    ttys001     Aug 12 18:18 00:09      13976
.         run-level 3
bit:~ oompa$ w
18:55 up 8 days,  7:31, 3 users, load averages: 1.07 0.99 0.88
USER      TTY      FROM          LOGIN@  IDLE WHAT
oompa     console -              04Aug12 8days -
oompa     s000    -              18:13   - w
oompa     s001    -              18:18   9 /usr/bin/less -is
```

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The `who -a` command displays the following:

- Time of last system boot
- Logged in users
- Type of Logon
 - `console` - Login via GUI
 - `ttys*` - Login via Terminal
- User Login Time
- User Idle Time
- Associated Process ID

The `w` command has much of the same information as `who -a`, however it also contains:

- Local System Time
- System Uptime
- Number of Users
- Remote Login System Information
- Current Activity of the Logon Process

The 'oompa' user in the screenshot has one login process open (through the normal login screen) and two Terminal sessions open. Each Terminal session/window is a separate login process.

You may also want to identify the currently logged in user, try these commands:

- `who am i` - Show the currently logged in username, console number, and login process timestamp.
- `whoami` - Show the username of currently logged in user.
- `id` - Show the "User Identity" of the current user, including user ID (UID) and group (GID) affiliations.

Live Response Users Logged On [2]

last

```
nibble:/ sledwards$ last
sledwards ttys001      Sat Feb  1 12:18      still logged in
sledwards ttys000      Fri Jan 31 20:26      still logged in
sledwards ttys000      Sun Jan 26 21:49 - 21:52 (00:03)
sledwards ttys006      Wed Jan 22 18:40 - 19:59 (01:18)
sledwards ttys005      Tue Jan 21 18:21 - 21:17 (7+02:55)
sledwards ttys004      Tue Jan 21 18:15 - 21:17 (7+03:02)
sledwards ttys002      Tue Jan 21 16:48 - 21:17 (7+04:29)
sledwards ttys008      Tue Jan 21 05:31 - 12:29 (06:57)
sledwards ttys007      Tue Jan 21 05:29 - 16:48 (11:18)
sledwards ttys006      Tue Jan 21 05:18 - 16:48 (11:29)
sledwards ttys005      Tue Jan 21 05:15 - 16:48 (11:33)
sledwards ttys004      Tue Jan 21 04:47 - 16:48 (12:01)
sledwards ttys002      Tue Jan 21 04:40 - 16:48 (12:07)
sledwards ttys003      Mon Jan 20 18:01 - 21:42 (2+03:41)
sledwards ttys002      Mon Jan 20 12:56 - 20:09 (07:12)
```

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The `last` command lists the last logins of the system by user, terminal session, date, a hostname (if applicable), and session length.

The timestamp shown gives the duration of the login process. For example, “7+02:55” means the user has had this login process open for one week (7 days), 2 hours, and 55 minutes.

The end of the `last` command output contains the timestamp when the “wtmp” logging has started. For example, “wtmp begins Mon Jul 7 10:08”.

Live Response Running Processes

ps aux

```

pompa      8814      0.3    1.2    1003732    98268    ??    S      Wed08PM  1:56.18  /Applications/Microsoft Office 2011/M
kelly      14583     0.2    0.5    2525132    45848    ??    S      7:09PM   0:02.11  /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/He
pompa      8586      0.2    0.3    2572748    22840    ??    S      Tue08PM  4:49.34  /Applications/Utilities/Activity Mon
pompa      237       0.2    1.6    3847120    137032    ??    S      4Aug12   10:45.67 /System/Library/CoreServices/Finder.
root       8589      0.1    0.0    2445112    3240     ??    Ss     Tue08PM  3:30.86  /usr/libexec/activitymonitord
pompa      254       0.1    0.2    2548272    20176    ??    SN     4Aug12   0:12.17  /System/Library/CoreServices/Notifica
pompa      270       0.1    0.0    758272     65752    ??    S      4Aug12   14:27.73 /Applications/Dropbox.app/Contents/M
charlie    14677     0.0    0.0    2484312    3532     ??    SN     7:10PM   0:00.12  /usr/sbin/usernoted
charlie    14676     0.0    0.0    2485232    3000     ??    S      7:10PM   0:00.07  /System/Library/CoreServices/Network
charlie    14673     0.0    0.2    2531632    16512    ??    S      7:10PM   0:00.48  /System/Library/CoreServices/Finder.
charlie    14672     0.0    0.6    2580296    51196    ??    S      7:10PM   0:04.97  /System/Library/CoreServices/Dock.ap
charlie    14662     0.0    0.0    2488108    2472     ??    S      7:09PM   0:00.03  /System/Library/Services/AppleSpell.
charlie    14652     0.0    0.0    2467404    2920     ??    S      7:09PM   0:00.07  /System/Library/CoreServices/pbs
charlie    14651     0.0    0.3    2599168    24472    ??    S      7:09PM   0:01.43  /System/Library/CoreServices/SystemU
charlie    14649     0.0    0.1    2501732    10120    ??    S      7:09PM   0:01.18  /System/Library/Frameworks/Applicati
charlie    14648     0.0    0.1    2504224    7332     ??    S      7:09PM   0:00.11  /System/Library/CoreServices/talagen
charlie    14642     0.0    0.0    2433976    1592     ??    S      7:09PM   0:00.08  /usr/sbin/pboard
charlie    14633     0.0    0.0    2483820    2456     ??    S      7:09PM   0:00.13  /usr/sbin/distnoted agent
charlie    14631     0.0    0.0    2465740    1500     ??    S      7:09PM   0:00.25  /usr/sbin/cfpretsd agent
charlie    14629     0.0    0.0    2471500    1576     ??    Ss     7:09PM   0:00.14  /sbin/launchd
charlie    14616     0.0    0.3    2572380    25728    ??    Ss     7:09PM   0:01.50  /System/Library/CoreServices/loginwi
kelly      14608     0.0    0.0    2465392    2036     ??    S      7:09PM   0:00.02  /System/Library/CoreServices/AirPort
kelly      14603     0.0    0.2    2516072    14220    ??    Ss     7:09PM   0:00.31  com.apple.dock.extra

```

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The `ps aux` command outputs the process status. The output contains information such as (see the man page for more detail):

- User Account
- Process ID
- Percentage of CPU and RAM
- Process Start Date and Time
- Issued Command

Note the lack of the '-' in the command. Unlike other systems, putting this dash in the command will be unsuccessful. This is a good example of how OS X commands may differ than other UNIX-like systems.

You may want experiment with other command arguments such as the following:

- `-ww` – Use this flag to display all the information, otherwise it defaults to screen width.
- `-ef` – Display more information including parent process IDs.

oompa	8814	0.3	1.2	1003732	98268	??	S	Wed06PM	1:56.18	/Applications/Microsoft Office 2011/
Kelly	14583	0.2	0.5	2525132	45848	??	S	7:09PM	0:02.11	/System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/He
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charlie	14673	0.0	0.2	2531632	16512	??	S	7:10PM	0:00.48	/System/Library/CoreServices/Finder.e
charlie	14672	0.0	0.6	2580296	51196	??	S	7:10PM	0:04.97	/System/Library/CoreServices/Dock.app
charlie	14662	0.0	0.0	2488108	2472	??	S	7:09PM	0:00.03	/System/Library/Services/AppleSpell.s
charlie	14652	0.0	0.0	2467404	2920	??	S	7:09PM	0:00.07	/System/Library/CoreServices/pbs
charlie	14651	0.0	0.3	2599168	24472	??	S	7:09PM	0:01.43	/System/Library/CoreServices/SystemUI
charlie	14649	0.0	0.1	2501732	10120	??	S	7:09PM	0:01.18	/System/Library/Frameworks/Applicatio
charlie	14648	0.0	0.1	2504224	7332	??	S	7:09PM	0:00.11	/System/Library/CoreServices/talagent
charlie	14642	0.0	0.0	2433976	1592	??	S	7:09PM	0:00.08	/usr/sbin/pboard
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charlie	14631	0.0	0.0	2465740	1500	??	S	7:09PM	0:00.25	/usr/sbin/cfprefsd agent
charlie	14629	0.0	0.0	2471500	1576	??	Ss	7:09PM	0:00.14	/sbin/launchd
charlie	14616	0.0	0.3	2572380	25728	??	Ss	7:09PM	0:01.50	/System/Library/CoreServices/loginwin
Kelly	14608	0.0	0.0	2465392	2036	??	S	7:09PM	0:00.02	/System/Library/CoreServices/AirPort
Kelly	14603	0.0	0.2	2516072	14220	??	Ss	7:09PM	0:00.31	com.apple.dock.extra

Live Response System Profiler



```
system_profiler -xml -detaillevel full >  
/Volume/IR_CASE/sys_prof_MBP.spx
```

Open in "System Information.app" or system_profiler command

- Hardware Information
- USB Information
- Network Information
- Firewall Settings
- Mounted Volumes
- System Information
- Applications
- Kernel Extensions
- Log Data

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The `system_profiler` command is the command-line version of the System Information application.

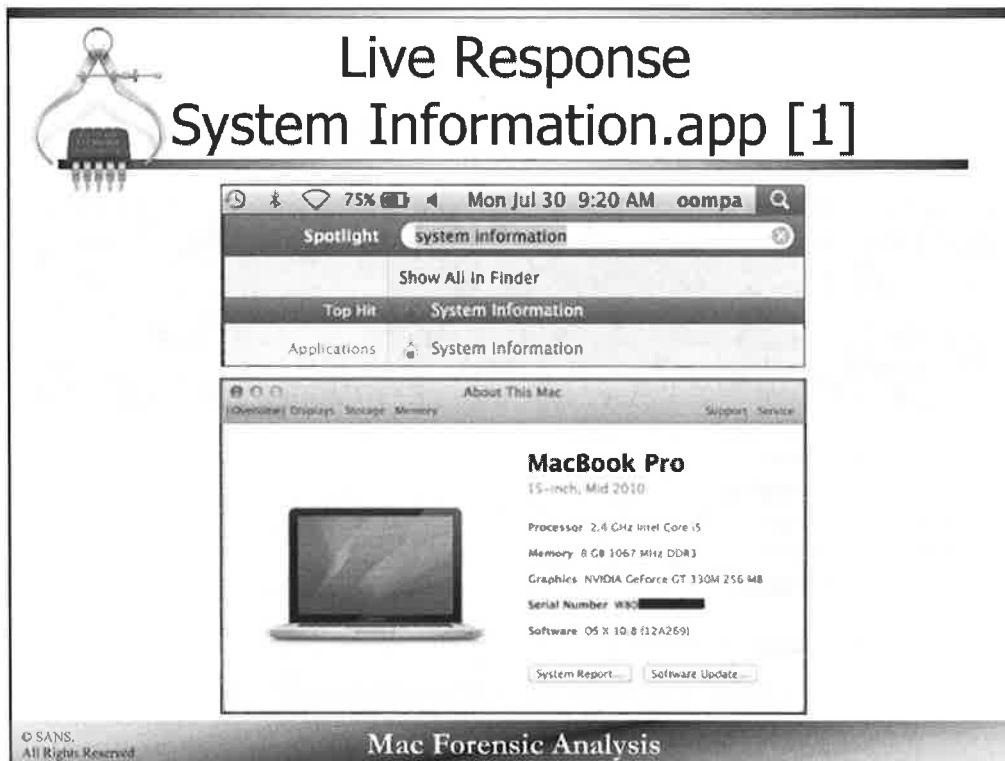
The `system_profiler` command has different output formats and detail level options. As long as the output is named with a ".spx" file extension, the data can be viewed in the System Information.app. The XML output option can be used with the System Information.app located in /Applications/Utilities/. The output levels can be set as 'mini', 'basic', and 'full' or by the specific data type that can be accessed by the command:

```
system_profiler -listDataTypes
```

Available Datatypes:

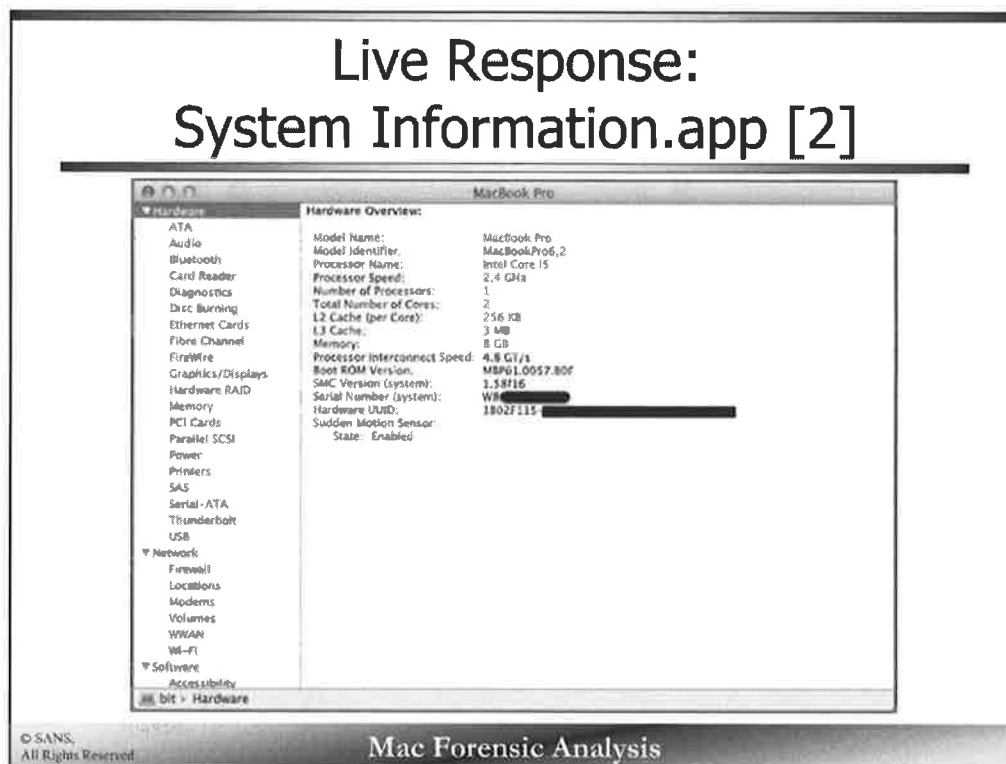
```
SPParallelATADataType  
SPUniversalAccessDataType  
SPApplicationsDataType  
SPAudioDataType  
SPBluetoothDataType  
SPCardReaderDataType  
SPComponentDataType  
SPDeveloperToolsDataType  
SPDiagnosticsDataType  
SPDiscBurningDataType  
SPEthernetDataType  
SPExtensionsDataType  
SPFibreChannelDataType  
SPFireWireDataType  
SPFirewallDataType  
SPFontsDataType  
SPFrameworksDataType  
SPDisplaysDataType  
SPHardwareDataType
```

...



These screen shots show how to access the System Information.app application from the Spotlight menu or from the “About This Mac” menu available by selecting the Apple logo in the top left corner of the screen and selecting “System Report”.

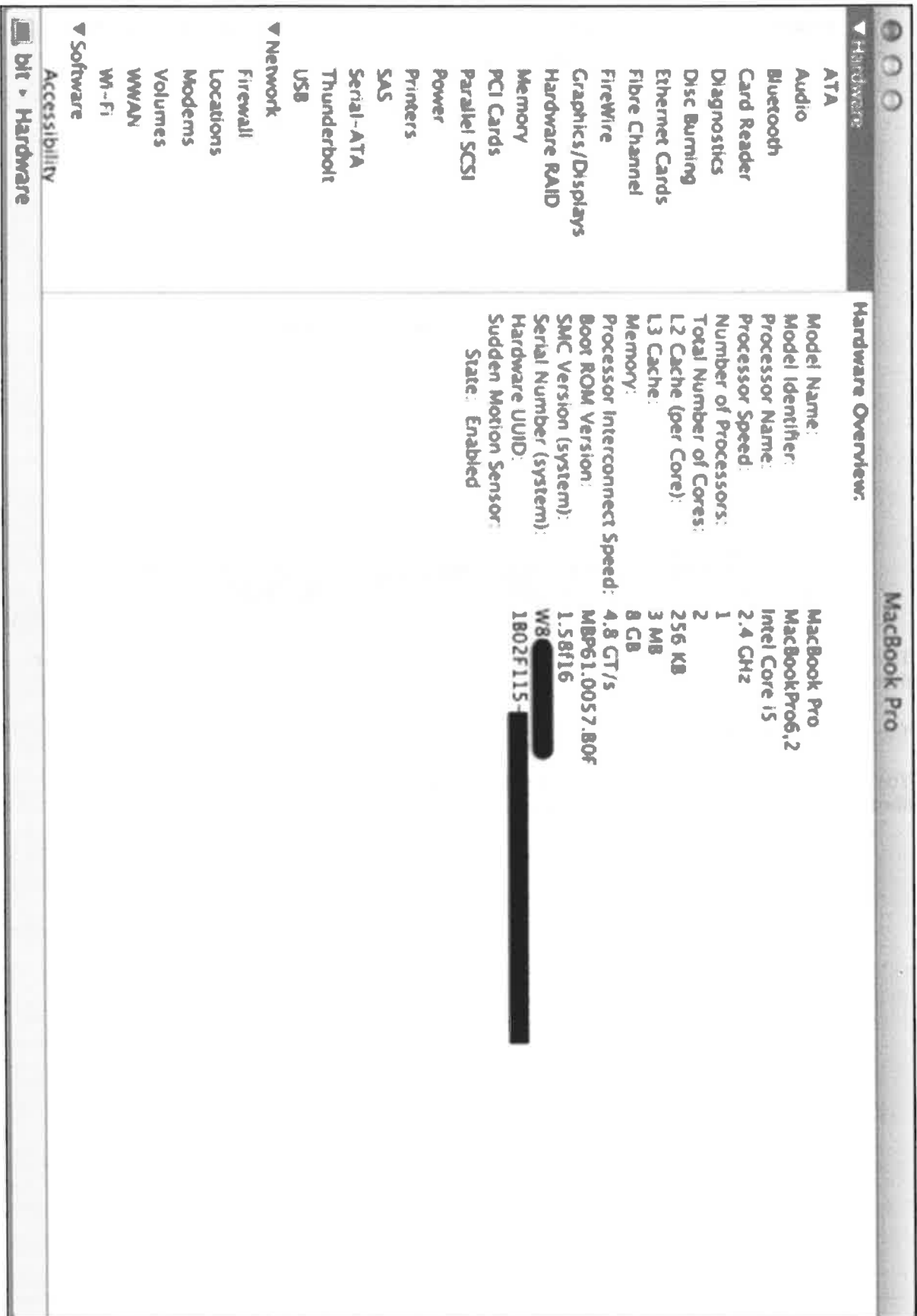
Live Response: System Information.app [2]



This screen shot shows the types of data available from the `System Information.app` application or from the `system_profiler` command.

This tool is native to OS X.

You may also open the `System Information.app` application and choose `File | Save` to save this information directly from the GUI rather than on the command line.





Exercise 1.1 – Mac Live Response

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Agenda

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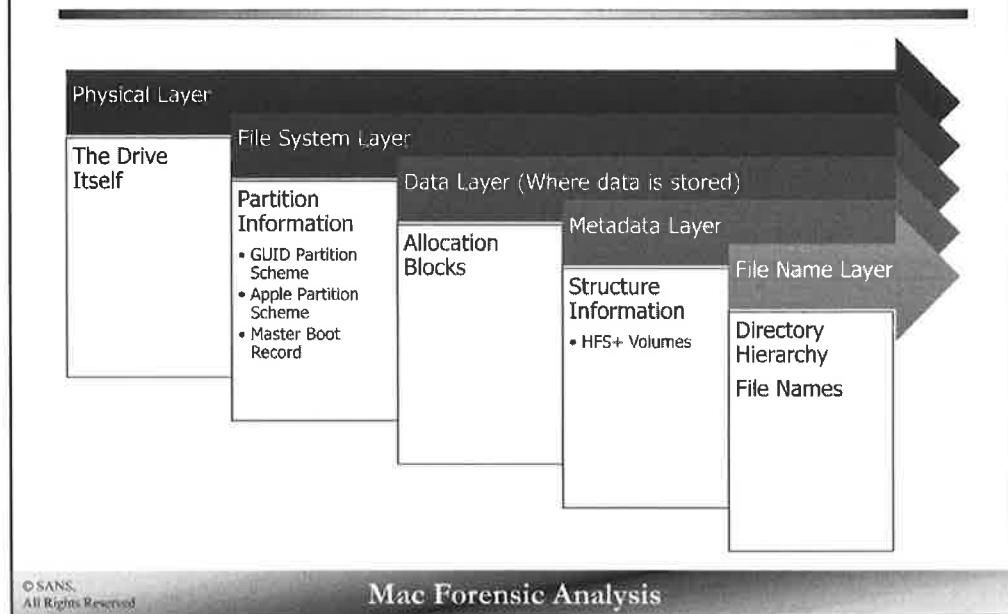


Section 1 – Part 3

Disks & Partitions

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File System 5-Layers



A file system is comprised of five layers; physical, file system, data, metadata, and file name. These will be discussed in this section in detail.

The physical and file system layers contain non-specific file system information such as the hardware and partitioning scheme. These will be discussed first to give a basis for the file system data that is presented on top of these structures.

The primary partitioning schemes found on Mac systems are the Globally Unique Identifier (GUID) Partition Scheme, Apple Partition Scheme and the Master Boot Record partitions.

The Allocation blocks used in the Data Layer are analogous to “Clusters” used in NTFS file systems.

The data, metadata, and file name layers contain the majority of the data that is presented and reviewed by forensic analysts. This will be discussed in greater detail in the following section.

HFS+ vs. NTFS

HFS+	NTFS
255 UTF-16 Characters	255 Unicode Characters
Max File Size= 8EB	Max File Size= 16EB
Volume Size = 8EB	Volume Size = 16EB
Allocation Blocks (Default for 1GB+ Volume = 4096 bytes)	Clusters (Default for 2GB+ Volume = 4096 bytes)

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The primary file system used on Mac systems is the Hierarchical File System Plus (HFS+). Compared with New Technology File System (NTFS), it has a smaller maximum file and volume size, but similar in allocation block/cluster size.

Mac Partition Schemes

Apple Partition Map
(Apple Partition Scheme)

GUID Partition Table
(GUID Partition Scheme)

Master Boot Record

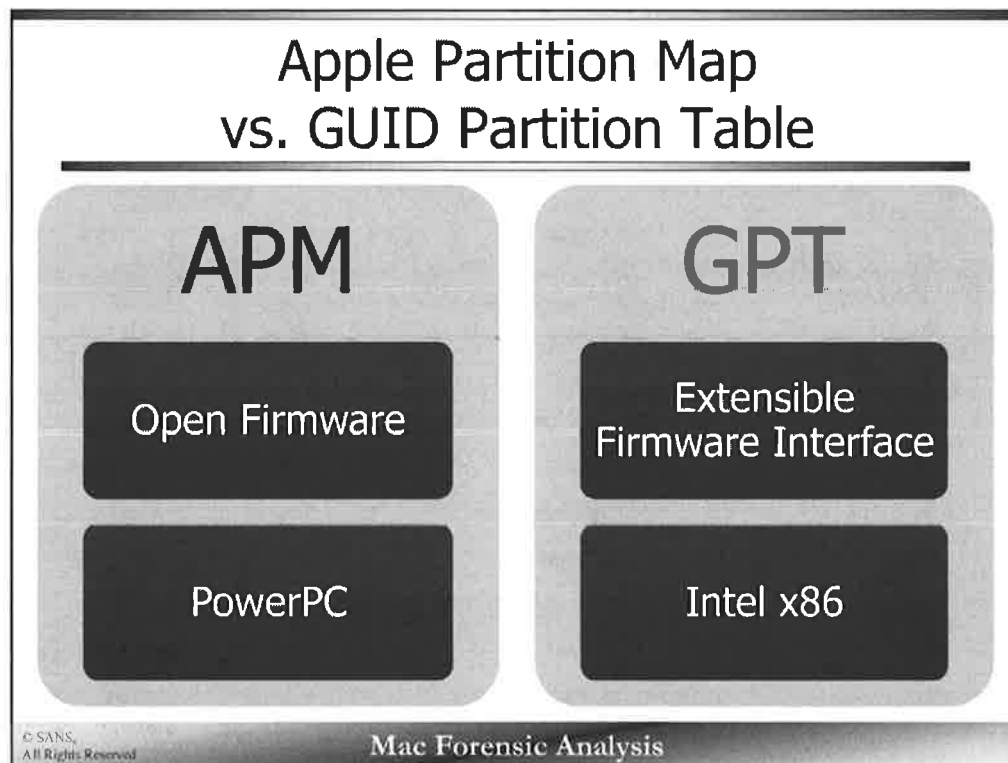
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Mac systems primarily use three types of partition schemes for different purposes.


A default installation of Mac OS X will partition the drive using the GUID Partition Scheme, creating an EFI partition and a protective MBR.

Disk image files (.dmg), can use the GUID Partition Scheme, the Apple Partition Scheme, a Master Boot Record, or no partition at all depending on what the user wants to do with the disk image.



Mac OS X installations on PowerPC hardware will have a Apple Partition Map and use Open Firmware, while Intel x86 based systems will implement GUID Partition Table with the Extensible Firmware Interface.

diskutil list Command



```

byte:~ oompa$ diskutil list
/dev/disk0
#:

| #: | TYPE                  | NAME         | SIZE      | IDENTIFIER |
|----|-----------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| 0: | GUID_partition_scheme |              | *500.1 GB | disk0      |
| 1: | EFI                   |              | 209.7 MB  | disk0s1    |
| 2: | Apple_HFS             | Macintosh HD | 499.2 GB  | disk0s2    |
| 3: | Apple_Boot            | Recovery HD  | 650.0 MB  | disk0s3    |


/dev/disk1
#:

| #: | TYPE                   | NAME    | SIZE    | IDENTIFIER |
|----|------------------------|---------|---------|------------|
| 0: | FDisk_partition_scheme |         | *8.0 GB | disk1      |
| 1: | DOS_FAT_32             | NO NAME | 8.0 GB  | disk1s1    |


/dev/disk2
#:

| #: | TYPE                   | NAME       | SIZE    | IDENTIFIER |
|----|------------------------|------------|---------|------------|
| 0: | FDisk_partition_scheme |            | *2.0 TB | disk2      |
| 1: | Windows_NTFS           | WDPassport | 2.0 TB  | disk2s1    |


/dev/disk3
#:

| #: | TYPE                   | NAME   | SIZE    | IDENTIFIER |
|----|------------------------|--------|---------|------------|
| 0: | FDisk_partition_scheme |        | *3.5 GB | disk3      |
| 1: | DOS_FAT_32             | Kindle | 3.5 GB  | disk3s1    |


/dev/disk4
#:

| #: | TYPE                   | NAME   | SIZE    | IDENTIFIER |
|----|------------------------|--------|---------|------------|
| 0: | FDisk_partition_scheme |        | *1.0 GB | disk4      |
| 1: | DOS_FAT_16             | ORANGE | 1.0 GB  | disk4s1    |


```

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To view the disk partitions on the drives associated with a specific Mac you can issue the `diskutil list` command.

The output of the command shown in the screenshot above shows a variety of disk partition types.

- `/dev/disk0` contains the Mac OS X operating system. This disk uses the GUID Partition Scheme (shown as `GUID_partition_scheme`). Note the EFI partition.
- `/dev/disk1` is an external drive named “NO NAME” that uses an Master Boot Record (shown as `FDisk_partition_scheme`) as it is formatted as FAT32.
- `/dev/disk2` is another external drive named “WDPassport” that is formatted with NTFS and also uses the MBR.
- `/dev/disk3` is a Kindle device that uses the MBR with a FAT32 file system.
- `/dev/disk4` is another external USB named “ORANGE” drive that uses the MBR, however it is formatted with FAT16.

The output above also shows the number of partitions each disk contains, with the size and disk identifier.

This disk identifier is formatted in the format `disk#s#` where the first number is the disk number and the second is the partition or “slice”. This will be used later to reference a specific partition on a drive.

The same information can be found using the `Disk Utility.app` application located in `/Applications/Utilities/`.

```
byte:~ oompa$ diskutil list
/dev/disk0
```

#:	TYPE	NAME	SIZE	IDENTIFIER
0:	GUID_partition_scheme		*500.1 GB	disk0
1:	EFI		209.7 MB	disk0s1
2:	Apple_HFS	Macintosh HD	499.2 GB	disk0s2
3:	Apple_Boot	Recovery HD	650.0 MB	disk0s3

```
/dev/disk1
```

#:	TYPE	NAME	SIZE	IDENTIFIER
0:	FDisk_partition_scheme		*8.0 GB	disk1
1:	DOS_FAT_32	NO NAME	8.0 GB	disk1s1

```
/dev/disk2
```

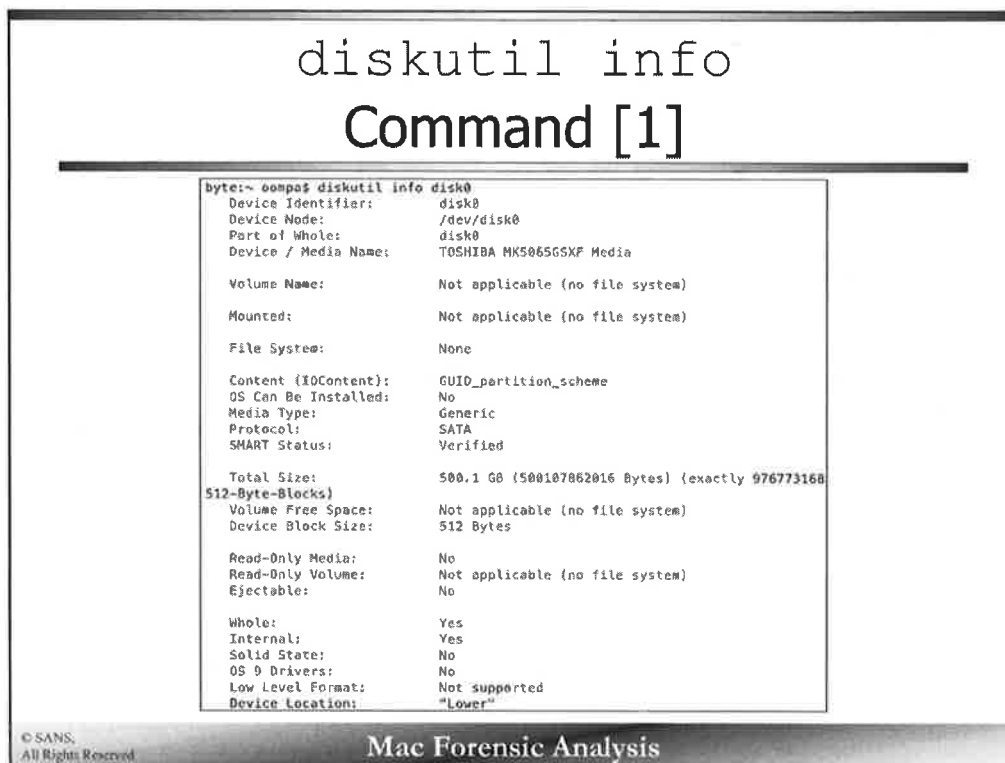
#:	TYPE	NAME	SIZE	IDENTIFIER
0:	FDisk_partition_scheme		*2.0 TB	disk2
1:	Windows_NTFS	WDPassport	2.0 TB	disk2s1

```
/dev/disk3
```

#:	TYPE	NAME	SIZE	IDENTIFIER
0:	FDisk_partition_scheme		*3.5 GB	disk3
1:	DOS_FAT_32	Kindle	3.5 GB	disk3s1

```
/dev/disk4
```

#:	TYPE	NAME	SIZE	IDENTIFIER
0:	FDisk_partition_scheme		*1.0 GB	disk4
1:	DOS_FAT_16	ORANGE	1.0 GB	disk4s1



The `diskutil info` command is used on a specific disk or partition to display additional information about the disk or partition.

In the screenshot above `disk0` was used. The output shows various information such as:

- Make/Model of the hardware (Toshiba MK5065GSXF)
- The drive interface (SATA)
- Drive size in bytes and blocks
- Block Size
- Read-Only
- Location, useful for systems with multiple internal disks such as Mac Pro systems.

```

byte:~ oompa$ diskutil info disk0
Device Identifier:      disk0
Device Node:           /dev/disk0
Part of Whole:         disk0
Device / Media Name:   TOSHIBA MK5065GSXF Media

Volume Name:           Not applicable (no file system)

Mounted:               Not applicable (no file system)

File System:           None

Content (IOContent):   GUID_partition_scheme
OS Can Be Installed:   No
Media Type:            Generic
Protocol:              SATA
SMART Status:          Verified

Total Size:            500.1 GB (500107862016 Bytes) (exactly 976773168
512-Byte-Blocks)
Volume Free Space:     Not applicable (no file system)
Device Block Size:     512 Bytes

Read-Only Media:       No
Read-Only Volume:     Not applicable (no file system)
Ejectable:             No

Whole:                 Yes
Internal:              Yes
Solid State:           No
OS 9 Drivers:          No
Low Level Format:      Not supported
Device Location:       "Lower"

```

diskutil info

Command [2]

```
bytern@ompos diskutil info disk0s2
Device Identifier:      disk0s2
Device Node:           /dev/disk0s2
Part of Whole:         disk0
Device / Media Name:   Customer

Volume Name:           Macintosh HD
Escaped with Unicode:  Macintosh%F%F%F%20%00HD

Mounted:               Yes
Mount Point:           /
Escaped with Unicode:  /

File System Personality: Journaled HFS+
Type (Bundle):         hfs
Name (User Visible):   Mac OS Extended (Journaled)
Journal:               Journal size 40960 KB at offset 0xc38a000
Owners:               Enabled

Partition Type:        Apple_HFS
OS Can Be Installed:   Yes
Media Type:            Generic
Protocol:              SATA
SMART Status:          Verified
Volume UUID:           C51CD139-A54F-39B8-A7E7-213C8C8A6D71

Total Size:            409.2 GB (409248103424 Bytes) (exactly 975093952
512-Byte-Blocks)
Volume Free Space:     272.1 GB (272126107648 Bytes) (exactly 531496304
512-Byte-Blocks)
Device Block Size:     512 Bytes

Read-Only Media:       No
Read-Only Volume:      No
Ejectable:             No

Whole:                 No
Internal:              Yes
Solid State:           No
Device Location:       "Lower"
```

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Another example of the `diskutil info` command, used on the partition `disk0s2`.

Additional information is shown about the partition:

- Volume Name (Macintosh HD)
- File System (HFS+, Mac OS Extended)
- Volume Universal Unique Identifier
- Volume Size and Free Space


```
byte:~ oompa$ diskutil info disk0s2
```

```
Device Identifier:      disk0s2
Device Node:            /dev/disk0s2
Part of Whole:          disk0
Device / Media Name:    Customer
```

```
Volume Name:            Macintosh HD
Escaped with Unicode:    Macintosh%FF%FE%20%00HD
```

```
Mounted:                Yes
Mount Point:             /
Escaped with Unicode:    /
```

```
File System Personality: Journaled HFS+
Type (Bundle):           hfs
Name (User Visible):     Mac OS Extended (Journaled)
Journal:                 Journal size 40960 KB at offset 0xe38a000
Owners:                  Enabled
```

```
Partition Type:         Apple_HFS
OS Can Be Installed:     Yes
Media Type:              Generic
Protocol:                SATA
SMART Status:            Verified
Volume UUID:             C51CD139-A54F-3988-A787-213C0CBA6D71
```

```
Total Size:             499.2 GB (499248103424 Bytes) (exactly 975093952
512-Byte-Blocks)
Volume Free Space:       272.1 GB (272126107648 Bytes) (exactly 531496304
512-Byte-Blocks)
Device Block Size:       512 Bytes
```

```
Read-Only Media:        No
Read-Only Volume:       No
Ejectable:               No
```

```
Whole:                   No
Internal:                 Yes
Solid State:              No
Device Location:          "Lower"
```

Apple Partition Map

diskutil & TSK's mmls

- Introduced in 1987 - Contains partitions for drivers and patches
- Apple_partition_map – Partition Map
- Apple_Driver_ATAPI – ATAPI Device Driver
- Apple_HFS – HFS+ Volume

```
/dev/disk5
```

#:	TYPE NAME	SIZE	IDENTIFIER
0:	Apple_partition_scheme	*41.0 MB	disk5
1:	Apple_partition_map	32.3 KB	disk5s1
2:	Apple_HFS Secrets	41.0 MB	disk5s2

```
word:Documents oompa$ mmls SecretDocs.dmg
```

```
MAC Partition Map
```

```
Offset Sector: 0
```

```
Units are in 512-byte sectors
```

	Slot	Start	End	Length	Description
00:	----	0000000000	0000000000	0000000001	Unallocated
01:	00	0000000001	0000000063	0000000063	Apple_partition_map
02:	Meta	0000000001	0000000002	0000000002	Table
03:	01	0000000064	0000080063	0000080000	Apple_HFS

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Mac Forensic Analysis

The Apple Partition Map partitioning scheme was introduced in 1987. APM is known to create multiple partitions with various drivers and patches contained in them. This creates partitions with names such as `Apple_Driver_ATAPI` that contains ATAPI drivers or `Apple_FWDriver` that contains FireWire drivers. Many of these partition names have been enumerated on the Wikipedia page for Apple Partition Map.
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apple_Partition_Map]

The partition names that you will want to look for should be named `Apple_HFS`. This is the primary partition containing the user and system data. The `Apple_partition_map` partition contains the partition map and is also a partition in and of itself.

In the screenshot above, the example shown as `disk3` is the partition table located on a Mac OS X installation DVD.

References:

File System Forensic Analysis – Brian Carrier - pp.101-107

Mac OS X Internals - Amit Singh – pp. 1349-1352

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https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/technotes/tn2166/_index.html

/dev/disk5				
#:	TYPE	NAME	SIZE	IDENTIFIER
0:	Apple_partition_scheme		*41.0 MB	disk5
1:	Apple_partition_map		32.3 KB	disk5s1
2:	Apple_HFS	Secrets	41.0 MB	disk5s2

word:Documents ompa\$ mmls SecretDocs.dmg				
MAC Partition Map				
Offset Sector: 0				
Units are in 512-byte sectors				
Slot	Start	End	Length	Description
00: ----	0000000000	0000000000	0000000001	Unallocated
01: 00	0000000001	0000000063	0000000063	Apple_partition_map
02: Meta	0000000001	0000000002	0000000002	Table
03: 01	0000000064	000080063	000080000	Apple_HFS

GUID Partition Table on OS X

Booting from a GPT Partitioned disk available on Intel-based Macs.
(~2006+)

Mounting a GPT Partitioned disk available in 10.4+

APM limited to 2TB disks

Little Endian (mostly)

Technical Note 2166 – Secrets of the GPT

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Mac Forensic Analysis

The GUID Partition Table implemented on Intel-based Mac systems started in 2006 with the transition to Intel hardware; however, mounting a GPT partition disk was available in Mac OS X 10.4.

The switch to GPT from APM was due to the limited disk size that APM could not provide for.

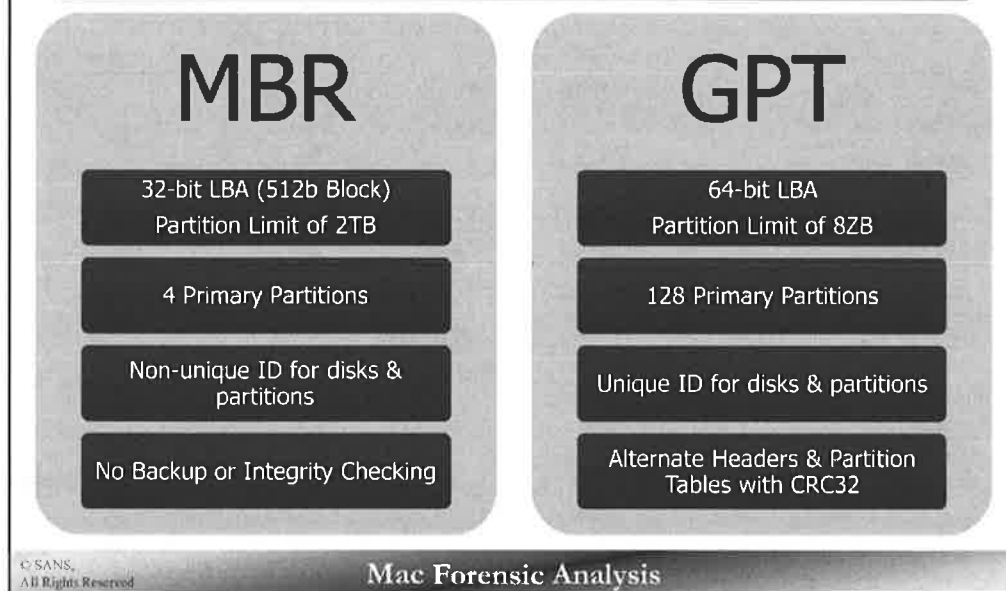
Technical Note 2166 provides information pertaining to GPT used on Mac systems.

References:

TN2166 – Secrets of the GPT

https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/technotes/tn2166/_index.html

Advantages of GPT over MBR



As stated earlier, the switch to GPT to APM was due to limitations such as a limited to a 2TB drive size. The Master Boot Record also had this drive size limit.

There were also limits with the number of partitions. MBR is limited to four primary partitions, while GPT has room for 128 primary partitions.

Other advantages of GPT are the use of unique identification (GUID) for disks and partitions and backups of the GPT header and partition table.

Note:

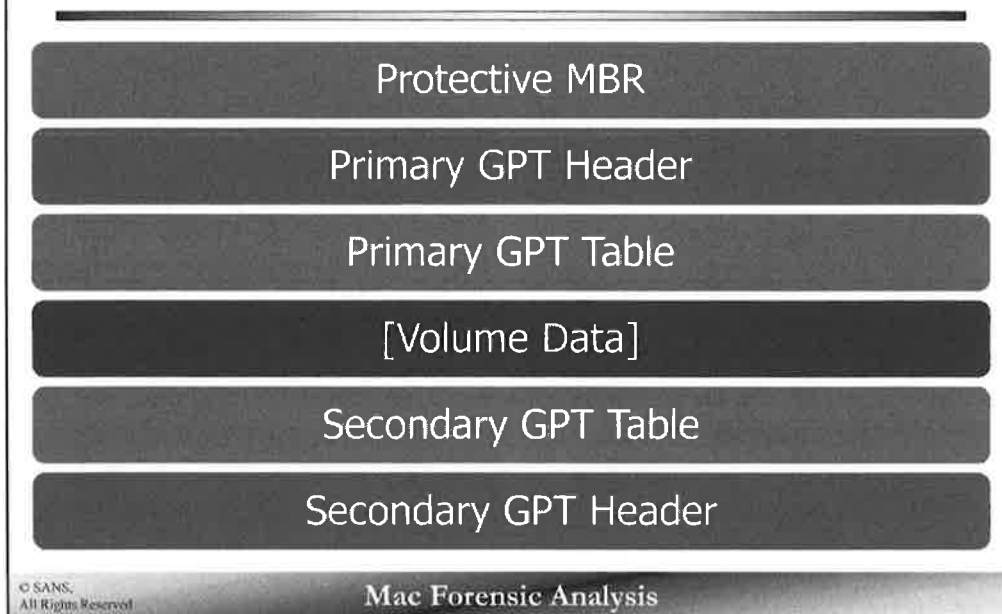
ZB = Zetta Bytes

LBA = Logical Block Addressing

References:

Forensic Analysis of GPT Disks and GUID Partition Tables – Bruce J Nikkel –
<http://www.digitalforensics.ch/nikkel09.pdf>

GUID Partition Table



A GUID partition table is comprised of five parts:

- Protective Master Boot Record
- Primary GUID Partition Table Header
- Primary GUID Partition Table
- Secondary GUID Partition Table
- Secondary GUID Partition Table Header

The secondary GPT Header and tables are backups of their primary counterparts.

sudo gpt -r show [-l]

Command

```

byte:~ oompa$ sudo gpt -r show disk0
start      size  index  contents
0           1      1      PMBR
1           1      1      Pri GPT header
2          32      2      Pri GPT table
34           6      3
40          409600      1  GPT part - C12A7328-F81F-11D2-BA4B-00A0C93EC93B
409640      975093952      2  GPT part - 48465300-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC
975503592      1269536      3  GPT part - 426F6F74-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC
976773128      7
976773135      32      Sec GPT table
976773167      1      Sec GPT header
byte:~ oompa$ sudo gpt -r show -l disk0
start      size  index  contents
0           1      1      PMBR
1           1      1      Pri GPT header
2          32      2      Pri GPT table
34           6      3
40          409600      1  GPT part - "EFI System Partition"
409640      975093952      2  GPT part - "Customer"
975503592      1269536      3  GPT part - "Recovery HD"
976773128      7
976773135      32      Sec GPT table
976773167      1      Sec GPT header

```

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Mac Forensic Analysis

The screenshot above shows the output of the command 'sudo gpt -r show' and the 'sudo gpt -r show -l'.

This command is used to print the GUID partition table information for the specified disk. The '-l' option can be used to toggle the display of the partition label from the GUID number.

The -r argument is used to show the GPT information in a read-only format.

The output of the command contains the starting sector, the size of the partition (in sectors), and the contents. The PMBR is the Protective Master Boot Record. Note the primary and secondary GPT header and tables.

Each partition type has an associated GUID that will be the same across all partitions of the same type.

```

byte:~ oompa$ sudo gpt -r show disk0
start      size  index  contents
0          1    1      PMBR
1          1    1      Pri GPT header
2          1    1      Pri GPT table
34         32    6
40         6
409640     409600
975503592  975093952  1269536
976773128
976773135
976773167  32    7
byte:~ oompa$ sudo gpt -r show -l disk0
start      size  index  contents
0          1    1      PMBR
1          1    1      Pri GPT header
2          1    1      Pri GPT table
34         32    6
40         6
409640     409600
975503592  975093952  1269536
976773128
976773135
976773167  32    7
1          32    1      Sec GPT table
2          32    1      Sec GPT header
3          1    1      Sec GPT header
1          1    1      PMBR
2          1    1      Pri GPT header
3          1    1      Pri GPT table
1          1    1      GPT part - "EFI System Partition"
2          1    1      GPT part - "Customer"
3          1    1      GPT part - "Recovery HD"
1          1    1      Sec GPT table
2          1    1      Sec GPT header

```


GPT Partition Type GUIDs

Partition Type GUID – Unique to Partition Type

Volume GUID – Unique Across All Volumes, Globally

Type	GUID
EFI System Partition	C12A7328-F81F-11D2-BA4B-00A0C93EC93B
HFS+ Partition	48465300-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC H F S
Apple Boot Partition	426F6F74-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC B o o t
Apple Core Storage (FileVault)	53746F72-6167-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC S t o r a g
Basic Data Partition (Boot Camp)	EBD0A0A2-B9E5-4433-87C0-68B6B72699C7

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Mac Forensic Analysis

Similar to the MBR, each partition type has its own identifier. GPT uses GUIDs. In the GPT Table example, there were three partitions:

- EFI System Partition - C12A7328-F81F-11D2-BA4B-00A0C93EC93B (EFI System Partition)
- Untitled - 48465300-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC (HFS+ Partition)
- Recovery HD - 426F6F74-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC (Apple Boot Partition)

The Apple created GUIDs contain “hidden” mnemonic type hints.

- HFS+ Partition GUIDs contain the string “HFS”
- Apple Boot Partition GUIDs contain the string “Boot”
- Apple Core Storage Partition GUIDs contain the string “Storag”

More GUID partition types can be found on the Wikipedia article for GUID Partition Table

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GUID_Partition_Table]

GPT GUID Format

On-Disk Format:

726F7453-6761-AA11-AA11-00306543ECAC

Converted Format:

53746F72-6167-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC

53746F72	6167	11AA	AA11	00306543ECAC
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Little Endian

Big Endian

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GPT GUIDs use a combination of little and big endian.

The converted format uses little endian (by byte) for the first three sections of the GUID, while using big endian for the last two.

Show GPT with The Sleuth Kit (TSK)

`mmls <image>`

```
byte:IMAGES oompa$ mmls lion_macbook.dmg
```

```
GUID Partition Table (EFI)
```

```
Offset Sector: 0
```

```
Units are in 512-byte sectors
```

	Slot	Start	End	Length	Description
00:	Meta	0000000000	0000000000	0000000001	Safety Table
01:	-----	0000000000	0000000039	0000000040	Unallocated
02:	Meta	0000000001	0000000001	0000000001	GPT Header
03:	Meta	0000000002	0000000033	0000000032	Partition Table
04:	00	0000000040	0000409639	0000409600	EFI System Partition
05:	01	0000409640	0233172071	0232762432	Untitled
06:	02	0233172072	0234441607	0001269536	Recovery HD
07:	-----	0234441608	0234441647	0000000040	Unallocated

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Mac Forensic Analysis

The Sleuth Kit (TSK) can be used to review the GPT partition scheme using the `mmls` command. TSK is a free, open-source tool used to interact with disks, or disk images to provide forensic analysis via the command-line.

In the screenshot above `mmls` is directed at a DMG image of a MacBook with a Mac OS X Lion installation. The Sleuth Kit calls the Protective MBR the Safety Table.

The Sleuth Kit can be downloaded from <http://sleuthkit.org/>. TSK man pages are located here: <http://www.sleuthkit.org/sleuthkit/man/>.

byte:IMAGES oompas mmls lion_macbook.dmg

GUID Partition Table (EFI)

Offset Sector: 0

Units are in 512-byte sectors

Slot	Start	End	Length	Description
00: Meta	0000000000	0000000000	0000000001	Safety Table
01: -----	0000000000	0000000039	0000000040	Unallocated
02: Meta	0000000001	0000000001	0000000001	GPT Header
03: Meta	0000000002	0000000033	0000000032	Partition Table
04: 00	0000000040	0000409639	0000409600	EFI System Partition
05: 01	0000409640	0233172071	0232762432	Untitled
06: 02	0233172072	0234441607	0001269536	Recovery HD
07: -----	0234441608	0234441647	0000000040	Unallocated

Protective MBR (Safety Table)

LBA 0

Backwards Compatibility

Same Format

- Partition Table - Offset 446
- 4 - 16 byte Partition Entries
 - One Partition Entry – Entire Disk
 - Partition Type:
 - 0xEE (EFI GPT Disk)
 - 0xAF – Apple Mac OS X HFS & HFS+
 - Three Partition Entries – Zeros

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Mac Forensic Analysis

The Protective Master Boot Record, or Safety Table as it may be called, is used for backwards compatibility. If the software does not recognize the GPT format, the Protective MBR may be used to safeguard the GPT data.

This MBR uses the same format as any other MBR with the exception that it only has one partition with the partition type 0xEE for EFI GPT Disk. The remaining three primary partitions are left blank.

Typical Mac-related Partition Types:

- 0xAF – Apple Mac OS X HFS & HFS+
- 0xEE – EFI GPT Disk (EFI Protective MBR)

Protective MBR Example & Format

000	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
022	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
044	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
066	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
088	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
110	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
132	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
154	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
176	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
198	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
220	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
242	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
264	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
286	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
308	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
330	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
352	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
374	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
396	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
418	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
440	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 FE	FF FF EE FE	FF FF 01 00	00 00 AF 4B F9 00		
462	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00		
484	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00		
506	00 00 00 00	55 AA					

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Note: GPT data uses little-endian

References:

Brian Carrier - p.64, Table 5.2

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GPT Header Example

000	45 46 49 20	50 41 52 54	00 00 01 00	5C 00 00 00	1D B2 06 32	00 00 00 00	EFI PART.....2....
024	01 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	AF 4B F9 0D	00 00 00 00	22 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....K.....
048	8E 4B F9 0D	00 00 00 00	4D 5B EB 71	99 57 24 42	9E 64 3A 5F	11 A5 D0 50	.....K.....N[.q.W\$B.d:..P
072	02 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	A6 EA 73 5C	00 00 00 00	.....s\.....
096	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
120	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
144	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
168	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
192	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
216	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
240	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
264	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
288	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
312	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
336	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
360	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
384	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
408	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
432	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
456	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
480	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
504	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00

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The GPT Header is 512 bytes and contains a human-recognizable signature, “EFI PART”. Items of interest include:

- At offset 24, the LBA (Little Endian) of the GPT Header: 1 (0x0100000000000000)
- At offset 32, the LBA (Little Endian) of the alternate GPT header: 234441647 (0xAF4BF90D)
- At offset 56, the unique GUID of this disk:
 - 71EB5B4D-5799-4224-9E64-3A5F11A5D050
- At offset 72, the LBA (Little Endian) of the GUID Partition Table: 2 (0x0200000000000000)

Note: GPT data uses little-endian

- GUID Endianess - The first three sections are in little-endian while the last two are not.

Reference:

TN2166 – Secrets of the GPT

https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/technotes/tn2166/_index.html

http://www.uefi.org/specs/download/2_3_1_ErrataC.pdf

available though <http://www.uefi.org/specs/access>

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Section 5.3.2

Offset	Size (bytes)	Field
0	8	Signature (EFI PART)
8	4	Revision (1.0)
12	4	Size of Header (bytes)
16	4	Header CRC32
20	4	Reserved
24	8	LBA of GPT Header
32	8	LBA of Backup GPT Header
40	8	First Usable LBA
48	8	Last Usable LBA
56	16	GUID of Partition
72	8	Starting LBA of GUID Partition Table
80	4	Number of Partition Entries Available
84	4	Size of Partition Entry
88	4	Partition Entry Array CRC32
92	Rest	Reserved

GPT Table Example

00000	28 73 2A C1	1F F8 02 11	BA 48 00 A0	C9 3E C9 3B	(s*.....K...>;
00016	CF A2 13 DE	62 C7 82 4D	AE 50 8B 63	C7 7C 4C 36	...b...M.P.c.lL6
00032	28 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	27 48 06 00	00 00 00 00	(.....'@.....
00048	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	45 00 46 00	49 00 20 00	.....E.F.l. .
00064	53 00 79 00	73 00 74 00	65 00 6D 00	20 00 50 00	S.y.s.t.e.m. .P.
00080	61 00 72 00	74 00 69 00	74 00 69 00	6F 00 6E 00	a.r.t.i.t.i.o.n.
00096	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
00112	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
00128	00 53 46 48	00 00 AA 11	AA 11 00 30	65 43 EC AC	.SFH.....0eC..
00144	E5 40 CD 83	CE 72 54 4C	AE 90 2C 0D	60 9F 44 64	.@...rTL...'.Dd
00160	28 40 86 00	00 00 00 00	67 EC E5 0D	00 00 00 00	@.....g.....
00176	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	55 00 6E 00	74 00 69 00	.....U.n.t.i.
00192	74 00 6C 00	65 00 64 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	t.l.e.d.....
00208	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
00224	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
00240	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
00256	74 6F 6F 42	00 00 AA 11	AA 11 00 30	65 43 EC AC	tooB.....0eC..
00272	28 C7 C9 0C	03 86 9E 4E	A5 07 21 6E	97 90 53 89	(.....N...!n..S.
00288	68 EC E5 0D	00 00 00 00	87 4B F9 00	00 00 00 00	h.....K.....
00304	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	52 00 65 00	63 00 6F 00	.....R.e.c.o.
00320	76 00 65 00	72 00 79 00	20 00 48 00	44 00 00 00	v.e.r.y. .H.D...
00336	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	.....
00352	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
00368	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00

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Mac Forensic Analysis

The GPT Table is made up of an array of partition table entries with the format shown in the table below. In the screenshot above, a line splits each partition entry. The **middle** partition table will be analyzed; this partition entry contains the following items:

At offset 128, the **partition type** GUID is:

48465300-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC
(0x005346480000AA11AA1100306543ECAC)

This is a unique GUID to this **type** of partition.

At offset 144, the **unique partition** GUID is:

83CD40E5-72CE-4C54-AE90-2C0D609F4464
(0xE540CD83CE72544CAE902C0D609F4464)

This is a unique GUID only to **this** partition.

At offset 160, the starting LBA is 409640 (0x2840060000000000)

At offset 168, the ending LBA is 233172071 (0x67ECE50D00000000)

At offset 184, the partition name (in Unicode) is 'Untitled' .

Offset	Size (bytes)	Field
0	16	Partition Type GUID
16	16	Unique Partition GUID
32	8	Starting LBA (Little Endian)
40	8	Ending LBA (Little Endian)
48	8	Attributes
56	72	Partition Name
128	Rest	Reserved

Note: GPT data uses little-endian

- GUID Endianess - The first three sections are in little-endian while the last two are not.

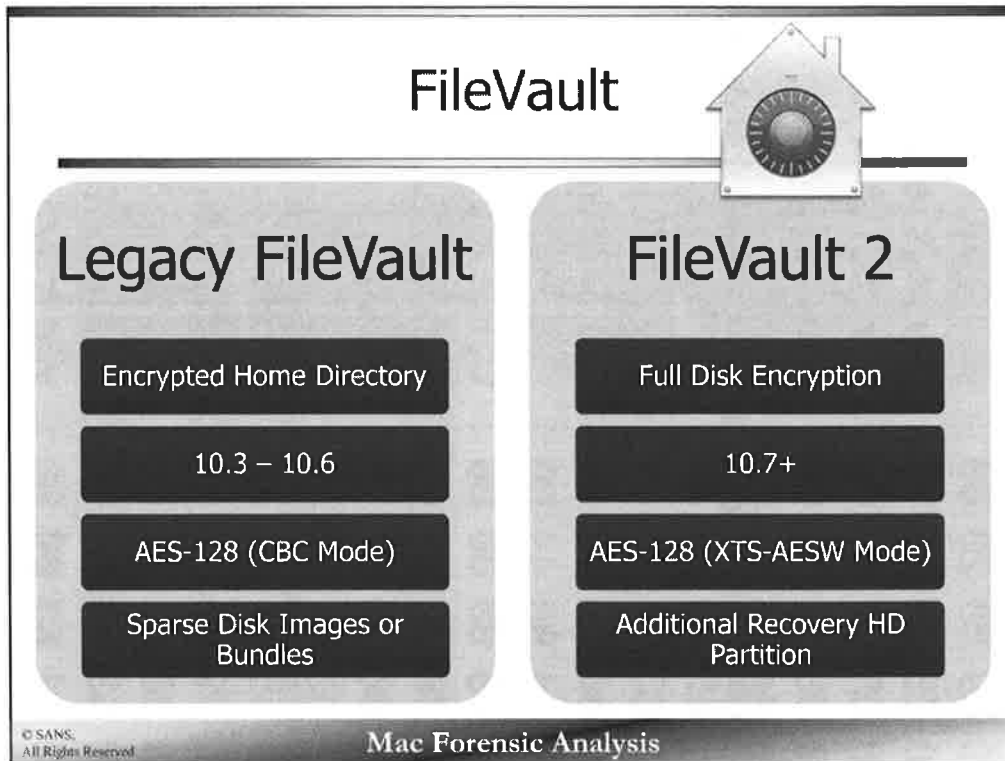
Reference:

TN2166 – Secrets of the GPT

https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/technotes/tn2166/_index.html

http://www.uefi.org/specs/download/2_3_1_ErrataC.pdf available though <http://www.uefi.org/specs/access> (Registration Required)

00000	28	73	2A	C1	1F	F8	D2	11	BA	4B	00	A0	C9	3E	C9	38	(s*.....K....>;
00016	CF	A2	13	DE	62	C7	B2	4D	AE	50	88	63	C7	7C	4C	36	....b..M.P.c.lL6
00032	28	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	27	40	06	00	00	00	00	00	(.....'@.....
00048	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	45	00	46	00	49	00	20	00	.....E.F.I. .
00064	53	00	79	00	73	00	74	00	65	00	6D	00	20	00	50	00	S.y.s.t.e.m. .P.
00080	61	00	72	00	74	00	69	00	74	00	69	00	6F	00	6E	00	a.r.t.i.t.i.o.n.
00096	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00112	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00128	00	53	46	48	00	00	AA	11	AA	11	00	30	65	43	EC	AC	.SFH.....0eC..
00144	E5	40	CD	83	CE	72	54	4C	AE	90	2C	0D	60	9F	44	64	.@...rTL.,.`.Dd
00160	28	40	06	00	00	00	00	00	67	EC	E5	0D	00	00	00	00	(@.....g.....
00176	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	55	00	6E	00	74	00	69	00	.....U.n.t.i.
00192	74	00	6C	00	65	00	64	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	t.l.e.d.....
00208	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00224	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00240	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00256	74	6F	6F	42	00	00	AA	11	AA	11	00	30	65	43	EC	AC	tooB.....0eC..
00272	28	C7	C9	0C	03	86	9E	4E	A5	D7	21	6E	97	90	53	B9	(.....N..ln..S.
00288	68	EC	E5	0D	00	00	00	00	87	4B	F9	0D	00	00	00	00	h.....K.....
00304	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	52	00	65	00	63	00	6F	00	.....R.e.c.o.
00320	76	00	65	00	72	00	79	00	20	00	48	00	44	00	00	00	y.e.r.y. .H.D...
00336	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00352	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
00368	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....



FileVault (now called Legacy FileVault) was introduced in 10.3. FileVault, if implemented, encrypts the home directory of a user. All other user directories and system files remain unencrypted. The encrypted home directory is stored in a sparse disk image, or a sparse bundle.

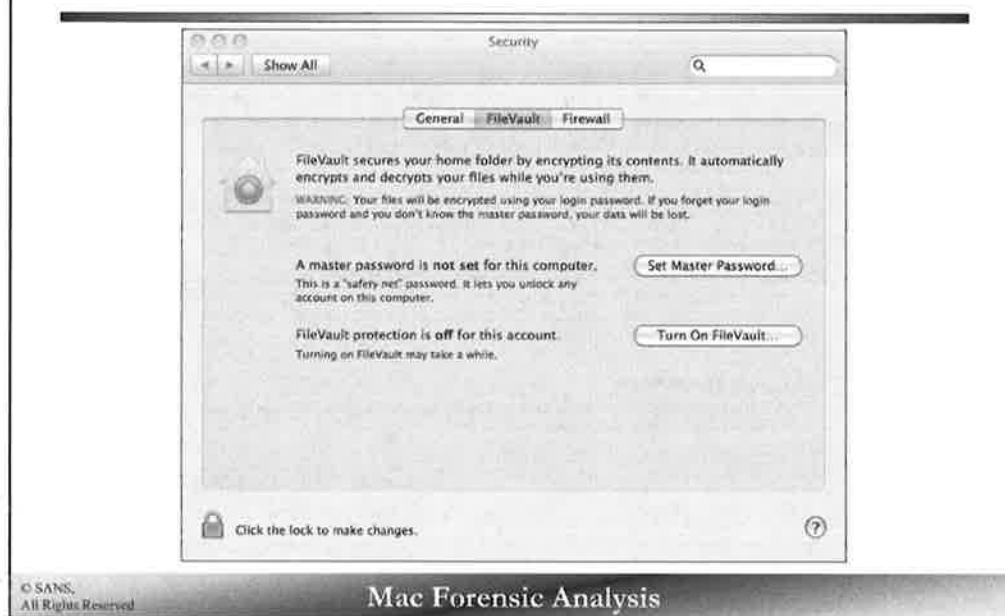
FileVault 2 was introduced in Mac OS X Lion, and encrypts the whole disk, except for EFI and Recovery partitions.

Reference:

OS X: About FileVault 2

[<http://support.apple.com/kb/HT4790>]

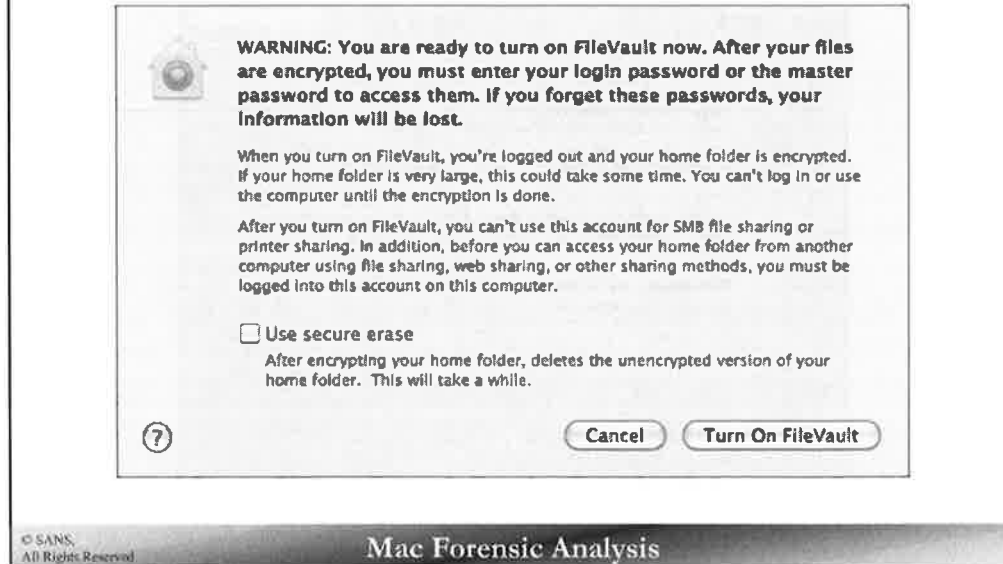
Legacy FileVault Setup



The screenshot above shows the window a user needs to implement the Legacy FileVault setting.

A master password needs to be set before FileVault can be turned on. This master password is used to decrypt any FileVault volume on the system. You may want to ask for the Master Password in the event you are in an enterprise situation.

FileVault Legacy Warning

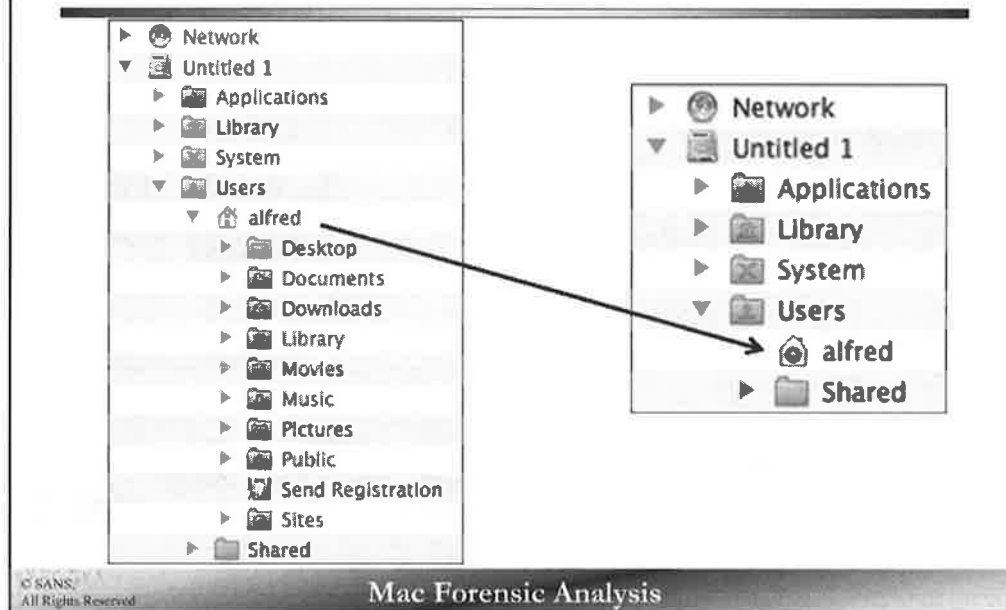


A warning is presented to the user before they are able to turn on FileVault.

A checkbox is enabled for the user to secure erase the disk space after the encryption process takes place.

Note: If the user does not secure erase their home folder, an analyst may be able to carve items from disk free space that would have otherwise been encrypted.

Home Directory with and without FileVault

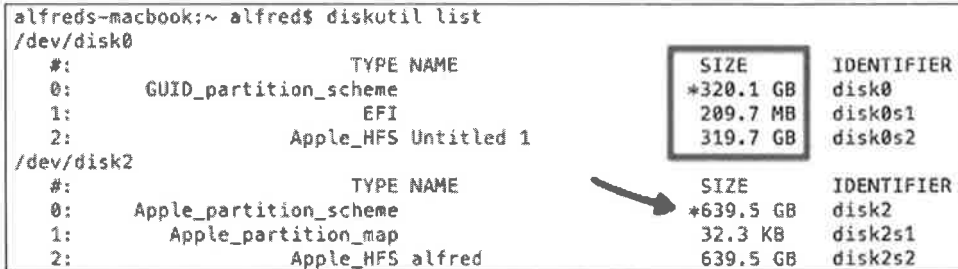


Once a user's home directory is encrypted the house icon changes to a locked house icon, shown in the screenshot above. The folder structure of the user can no longer be seen by other users.

Legacy FileVault

diskutil list

```
alfreds-macbook:~ alfred$ diskutil list
/dev/disk0
#:                                TYPE NAME              SIZE          IDENTIFIER
0:    GUID_partition_scheme      *320.1 GB      disk0
1:      EFI                      209.7 MB       disk0s1
2:      Apple_HFS Untitled 1      319.7 GB       disk0s2
/dev/disk2
#:                                TYPE NAME              SIZE          IDENTIFIER
0:    Apple_partition_scheme      *639.5 GB      disk2
1:      Apple_partition_map       32.3 KB        disk2s1
2:      Apple_HFS alfred          639.5 GB       disk2s2
```



User account `alfred` is currently logged in.

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Using the `diskutil list` command from earlier, we can see how it might look if Legacy FileVault is used on a home directory for the user 'alfred'.

Alfred's home directory is now on its own `/dev/disk*`. The size of the drive may be much larger than the size of the hard drive in the system. This is due to how the sparse image/bundle file works.

Legacy FileVault

diskutil info

```
alfred@macbook:~ alfred$ diskutil info disk2
Device Identifier:      disk2
Device Node:           /dev/disk2
Part Of Whole:         disk2
Device / Media Name:   Apple sparse bundle disk image Media

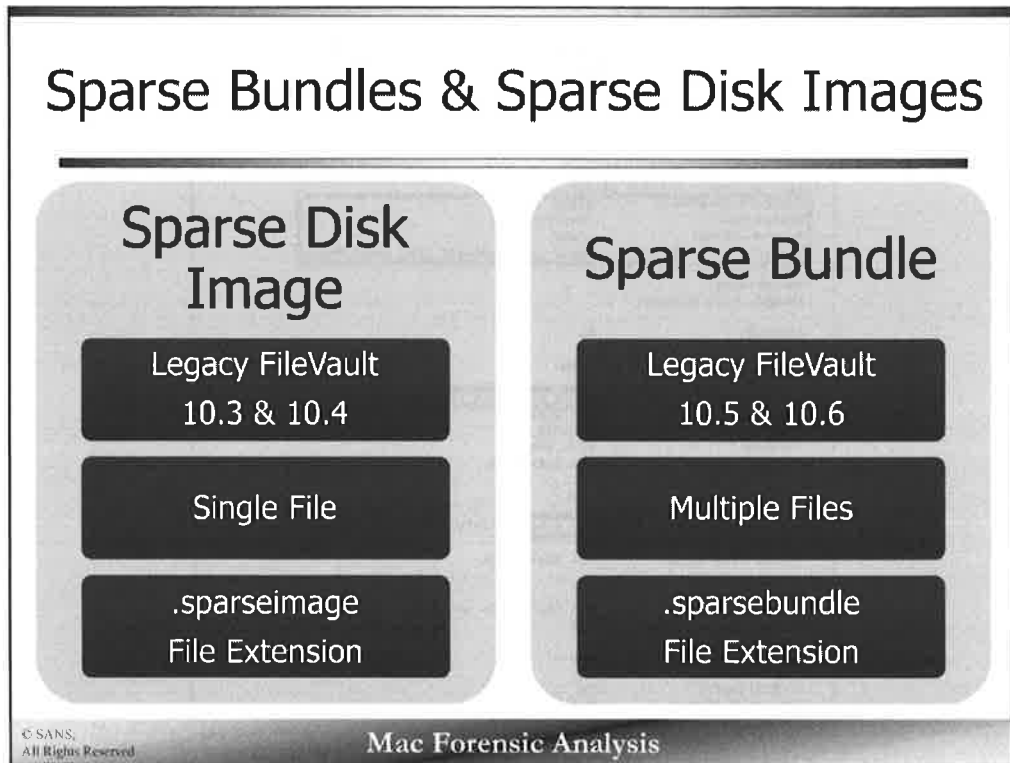
Volume Name:
Escaped with Unicode:

Mounted:               No
File System:           None
Partition Type:        Apple_partition_scheme
Bootable:              Not bootable
Media Type:            Generic
Protocol:              Disk Image
SMART Status:         Not Supported
System Image:          Yes
Total Size:            639.5 GB (639457918976 Bytes) (exactly 1248941248
512-Byte Blocks)
Volume Free Space:     Not Applicable
Read-Only Media:       No
Read-Only Volume:     Not applicable (no filesystem)
Ejectable:             Yes
Whole:                 Yes
Internal:              No
OS 9 Drivers:          No
Low Level Format:      Not Supported
```

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If we look at Alfred's home directory from the previous slide using the `diskutil info` command, we can see that it is contained in a sparse bundle disk image.



Legacy FileVault implements the Sparse Disk Image and the Sparse Bundle to store encrypted data, these file formats may also be used without the context of FileVault. The Disk Utility.app can be used to create encrypted and unencrypted volumes using these file types.

The Sparse Disk Image is a single file with a `.sparseimage` file extension. The Sparse Bundle file is made up of multiple files (in a software bundle) with the file extension `.sparsebundle`.

These files work by increasing the size of the sparse disk or bundle file/s. When these types of volumes are mounted, their “Virtual Volume” size may be much larger than the size of the hard drive the file is located on.

The size of the files will not be reduced if data is removed, but can be fixed after volume is unmounted by using the command `hdiutil compact`. “Virtual volumes” may be larger than the size on which the volume is physically located.

Sparse Disk Image

Single file that grows as data is added

File Header "sprs"

00000000:	7370	7273	0000	0003	0000	0800	0000	0001	sprs.....
0000010:	0001	3880	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	..8.....
0000020:	0001	3880	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	..8.....
0000030:	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	.....
0000040:	0000	0001	0000	0002	0000	0014	0000	0026&
0000050:	0000	0027	0000	0028	0000	0005	0000	0003	...'...'.....

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The Sparse Disk Image is made up of one file that grows as data is added. The file has the signature "sprs", as shown in the screenshot above.

Sparse Bundle

Multiple files that grow as data is added

Uses "bands" to hold data

```
byte:SECTION_1 oompa$ ls -laR sparse_bundle.sparsebundle/
total 16
drwxr-xr-x@ 6 oompa  staff  204 Aug 11 12:33 .
drwxr-xr-x 17 oompa  staff  578 Aug 11 13:17 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 oompa  staff  495 Aug 11 12:21 Info.bckup
-rw-r--r-- 1 oompa  staff  495 Aug 11 12:21 Info.plist
drwxr-xr-x 5 oompa  staff  170 Aug 11 12:21 bands
-rw-r--r-- 1 oompa  staff   0 Aug 11 12:21 token

sparse_bundle.sparsebundle/bands:
total 30920
drwxr-xr-x 5 oompa  staff   170 Aug 11 12:21 .
drwxr-xr-x@ 6 oompa  staff   204 Aug 11 12:33 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 oompa  staff 4689920 Aug 11 12:33 0
-rw-r--r-- 1 oompa  staff 3735552 Aug 11 12:21 2
-rw-r--r-- 1 oompa  staff 7405568 Aug 11 12:21 4
```

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The Sparse Bundle file is comprised of multiple files that grow as data is added to the volume. These files are called "bands". These "bands" are located in a "Bundle".

A bundle is a directory that contains files, executable, and/or other resources in one easy to move file. Any application on a Mac system is a "bundle".

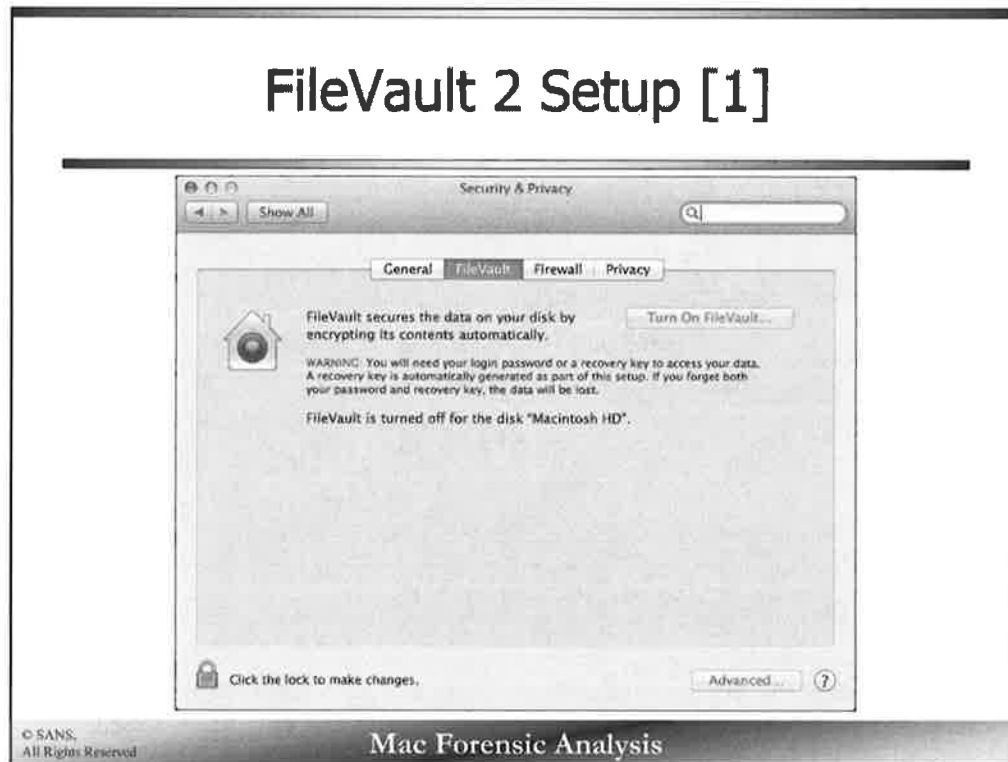
Each Sparse Bundle has an `Info.plist` file located within the bundle. This property list file contains the size of the bands, and the original size of the bundle, whether or not it is at capacity. Sizes are in bytes.

Reference:

Mac Developer Library – Cocoa Core Competencies

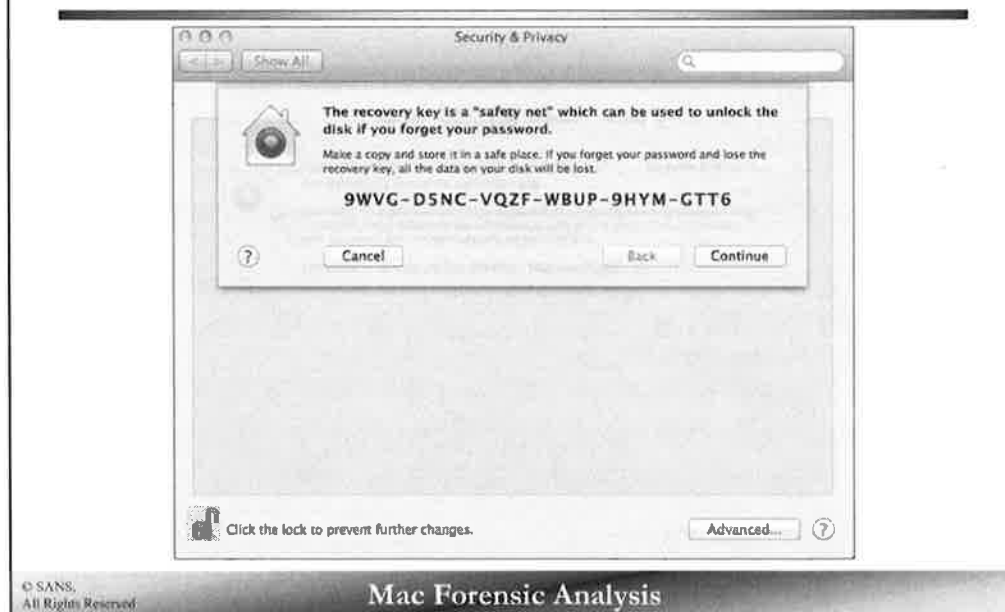
[<https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#documentation/General/Conceptual/DevPedia-CocoaCore/Bundle.html>]

FileVault 2 Setup [1]



FileVault 2 uses a similar setup screen shown above.

FileVault 2 Setup [2]



Before the encryption process takes place, the setup will display a recovery key that the user can choose to store with Apple. This recovery key can be used to recover a FileVault 2 encrypted volume.

GPT FileVault 2 Example

diskutil list

No FileVault

```
nibble:~ sledwards$ diskutil list
/dev/disk0
#:  
0:      GUID_partition_scheme      *121.3 GB   disk0  
1:      EFI                       209.7 MB   disk0s1  
2:      Apple_HFS Macintosh HD      120.5 GB   disk0s2  
3:      Apple_Boot Recovery HD      650.0 MB   disk0s3
```

FileVault Enabled

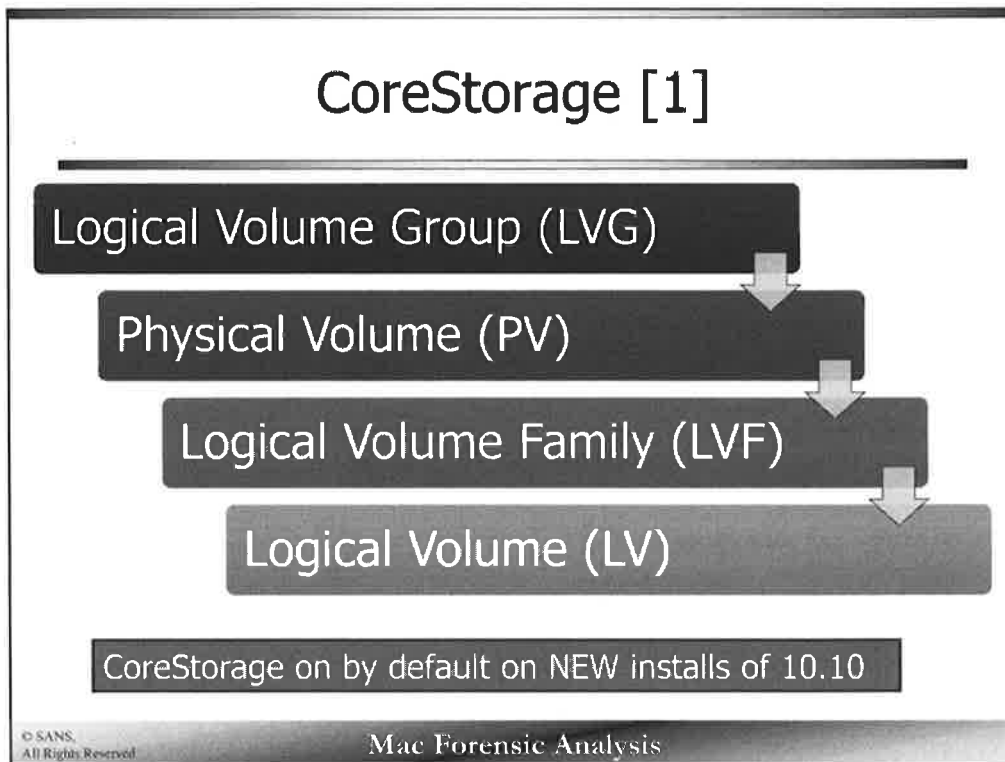
```
word:~ oompas$ diskutil list
/dev/disk0
#:  
0:      GUID_partition_scheme      *500.3 GB   disk0  
1:      EFI EFI                    209.7 MB   disk0s1  
2:      Apple_CoreStorage           499.4 GB   disk0s2  
3:      Apple_Boot Recovery HD      650.0 MB   disk0s3  
/dev/disk1  
#:  
0:      Apple_HFS Yosemite          *499.1 GB   disk1  
          Logical Volume on disk0s2  
          33F6B43B-7A75-4B04-A04D-0AC6A4321BF5  
          Unlocked Encrypted
```

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In the top example, the screenshot shows the output of the `diskutil list` command on a disk that does not have FileVault 2 enabled.

The bottom example shows the same disk with FileVault 2 enabled. Note the addition of the `Apple_CoreStorage` partition and how “Macintosh HD” is now on `/dev/disk1`. The Apple CoreStorage partition is the encrypted partition of the FileVault volume on `/dev/disk1`.



CoreStorage is Apple's version of logical volume management – or “virtual volumes”. Used with FileVault2 Full Disk Encryption and Fusion Drives.

Logical Volume Group (LVG) – The top level, associated with a specific Physical Volume.

Physical Volume (PV) - The physical disk, or disk image.

Logical Volume Family (LVF) – Contains one or more Logical Volumes.

Logical Volume (LV) – Where the file system is stored on a `/dev/disk*`.

As of 10.10, CoreStorage is now implemented by default on new installs of 10.10. Upgraded installs will not force CoreStorage to be implemented. This does not necessarily mean the volume is encrypted. CoreStorage can still be used without FileVault2.

References:

`diskutil manpage`


```

nibble:/ sledmwords diskutil cs list
CoreStorage logical volume groups (1 found)
|
+- Logical Volume Group 068C8516-9C26-493A-9967-FC7977FE6855
|
| Name:      Macintosh HD
| Status:    Online
| Size:      499418834176 B (499.4 GB)
| Free Space: 16777216 B (16.8 MB)
|
| +- Physical Volume CAD328AC-A06F-466C-9145-SA312C7B2C83
| |
| | Index:      0
| | Disk:       disk0s2
| | Status:     Online
| | Size:       499418834176 B (499.4 GB)
| |
| +- Logical Volume Family E4A6F218-0490-424C-AF11-4C2808052F5B
| |
| | Encryption Status:  Unlocked
| | Encryption Type:    AES-XTS
| | Conversion Status:  Complete
| | Conversion Direction: -none-
| | Has Encrypted Extents:  Yes
| | Fully Secure:         Yes
| | Passphrase Required:  Yes
| |
| +- Logical Volume D0650536-C674-48D0-BD9E-9E88FE857EE
| |
| | Disk:      disk1
| | Status:    Online
| | Size (Total): 499082485760 B (499.1 GB)
| | Conversion Progress: -none-
| | Revertible:  Yes (unlock and decryption required)
| | LV Name:     Macintosh HD
| | Volume Name: Macintosh HD
| | Content Hint: Apple_HFS

```

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The screenshot shows the output from the `diskutil cs list` command. This command lists all the CoreStorage Logical Volume Groups.

We can see from the information found in the LVF section, that this disk is encrypted with AES-XTS (FileVault2).

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```

nibble:/ sledwards$ diskutil cs list
CoreStorage logical volume groups (1 found)
|
+-- Logical Volume Group 068CB516-9C26-493A-9967-FC7977FE6855
=====
Name:          Macintosh HD
Status:        Online
Size:          499418034176 B (499.4 GB)
Free Space:    16777216 B (16.8 MB)
|
+--< Physical Volume CAD328AC-A06F-466C-9145-5A312C7B2C83
-----
|   Index:      0
|   Disk:       disk0s2
|   Status:     Online
|   Size:       499418034176 B (499.4 GB)
|
+--> Logical Volume Family E4A6F218-0490-424C-AF11-4C208E052F5B
-----
Encryption Status:      Unlocked
Encryption Type:         AES-XTS
Conversion Status:      Complete
Conversion Direction:   -none-
Has Encrypted Extents:  Yes
Fully Secure:           Yes
Passphrase Required:    Yes
|
+--> Logical Volume DD650536-C674-4BDD-BD9E-9EEB8FE857EE
-----
Disk:          disk1
Status:        Online
Size (Total):  499082485760 B (499.1 GB)
Conversion Progress: -none-
Revertible:    Yes (unlock and decryption required)
LV Name:       Macintosh HD
Volume Name:   Macintosh HD
Content Hint:  Apple_HFS

```

Boot Camp & FileVault GPT Example



```
gpt show: /dev/disk0: Suspicious MBR at sector 0
start      size  index  contents
0           1      1      MBR
1           1      1      Pri GPT header
2          32      2      Pri GPT table
34          6      6
40         409600  1  GPT part - C12A7328-F81F-11D2-BA4B-00A0C93EC93B
409640     8775752  2  GPT part - 53746F72-6167-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC
877985392  1269544  3  GPT part - 426F6F74-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC
879254936  97850088  4  GPT part - EBD0A0A2-B9E5-4433-87C0-68B6B72699C7
977105024  3
977105027  32      Sec GPT table
977105059  1      Sec GPT header
```

```
gpt show: /dev/disk0: Suspicious MBR at sector 0
start      size  index  contents
0           1      1      MBR
1           1      1      Pri GPT header
2          32      2      Pri GPT table
34          6      6
40         409600  1  GPT part - "EFI System Partition"
409640     8775752  2  GPT part - "Lion"
877985392  1269544  3  GPT part - "Recovery HD"
879254936  97850088  4  GPT part - "BOOTCAMP"
977105024  3
977105027  32      Sec GPT table
977105059  1      Sec GPT header
```

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In the screenshots above, there is an example of a Boot Camp partition and a FileVault encrypted partition. This is the same disk with the '-l' option of the gpt command used in the bottom example.

- Boot Camp Volume GUID: EBD0A0A2-B9E5-4433-87C0-68B6B72699C7
- FileVault Volume GUID: 53746F72-6167-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC

The "Suspicious MBR at sector 0" message shown in the screenshots above validate that it is in fact a boot camped system. When a system is boot camped, meaning it has both an bootable OS X volume and a bootable Windows volume, it writes multiple entries to the MBR making it "suspicious".

gpt show: /dev/disk0: Suspicious MBR at sector 0

start	size	index	contents
0	1		MBR
1	1		Pri GPT header
2	32		Pri GPT table
34	6		
40	409600	1	GPT part - C12A7328-F81F-11D2-BA4B-00A0C93EC93B
409640	877575752	2	GPT part - 53746F72-6167-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC
877985392	1269544	3	GPT part - 426F6F74-0000-11AA-AA11-00306543ECAC
879254936	97850088	4	GPT part - EBD0A0A2-B9E5-4433-87C0-68B6B72699C7
977105024	3		
977105027	32		Sec GPT table
977105059	1		Sec GPT header

gpt show: /dev/disk0: Suspicious MBR at sector 0

start	size	index	contents
0	1		MBR
1	1		Pri GPT header
2	32		Pri GPT table
34	6		
40	409600	1	GPT part - "EFI System Partition"
409640	877575752	2	GPT part - "Lion"
877985392	1269544	3	GPT part - "Recovery HD"
879254936	97850088	4	GPT part - "BOOTCAMP"
977105024	3		
977105027	32		Sec GPT table
977105059	1		Sec GPT header

Fusion Drive

Hybrid Drive

Hard Disk Drive + Solid State Drive

Size & Speed

Implements CoreStorage

- Combined to create a single volume

Most accessed files located on SSD

Mac mini & iMac Systems

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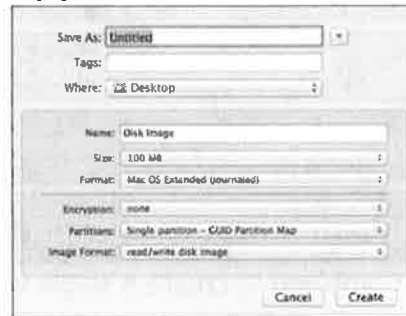
The Fusion Drive comes with only a few specific systems; late model MacMinis and iMacs.

These drives use a combination of a normal hard disk drive and a solid state drive to get the best of speed and drive size.

To create a present a single volume to the user, CoreStorage is implemented. The most used files are located on the physical SSD hard drive to speed up file access.

Disk Image (.dmg)

- Create with Disk Utility.app or `hdiutil`
- Any Size
- Formats:
 - Mac OS Extended
 - FAT
 - ExFAT (over 32GB)
- May configure with encryption, partitions, and image formats



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Likely the most well known volume is the DMG file, or Disk Image file. Mac systems use this format for everything from software installation to simple data archives.

Disk Image files can be any size and any format that `hdiutil` or Disk Utility.app can implement; HFS+, FAT or ExFAT.

These volumes can mix and match various types of encryption, partitions and image formats. Please refer to the options listed using the command `hdiutil create -help` or review the options in Disk Utility.app.

Rename .dd to .dmg

- Image Size
- Compression Data
- Image Format
- Location
- Detailed Partition Information
- Resizing Information

[illegible]

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- Image Size (in bytes)
- Data about the compression, this image was not compressed.
- Image Format – this example is labeled UDRW or RAW Read/Write
 - A list of formats can be viewed in the man page for `hdiutil`
- Image location
- Detailed Partition Information
 - Partition Name
 - Start Block
 - Length (in blocks)
 - Partition Hint – Type of Partition
 - Partition Hint UUID (unique to type of partition)
 - Partition UUID (unique to partition)
 - File System (HFS+, FAT32, etc.)
- Image file resizing information - Can be used to shrink a volume

```

byte:Macintosh HD 2012-06-14 07:36:02 oompas hdiutil imageinfo /dev/disk0
Backing Store Information:
  URL: file://localhost/dev/rdisk0
  Name: rdisk0
  Class Name: CDevBackingStore
Class Name: CRawDiskImage
Checksum Type: none
Size Information:
  Total Bytes: 500107862016
  Compressed Ratio: 1
  Sector Count: 976773168
  Total Non-Empty Bytes: 500107862016
  Compressed Bytes: 500107862016
  Total Empty Bytes: 0
Format: RAW*
Format Description: raw read/write
Checksum Value:
Properties:
  Encrypted: false
  Kernel Compatible: false
  Checksummed: false
  Software License Agreement: false
  Partitioned: false
  Compressed: no
Segments:
  0: /dev/rdisk0
partitions:
  partition-scheme: GUID
  block-size: 512
  partitions:
    0:
      partition-name: Protective Master Boot Record
      partition-start: 0
      partition-synthesized: true
      partition-length: 1
      partition-hint: MBR
    1:
      partition-name: GPT Header
      partition-start: 1
      partition-synthesized: true
      partition-length: 1
      partition-hint: Primary GPT Header
    2:
      partition-name: GPT Partition Data
      partition-start: 2
      partition-synthesized: true
      partition-length: 32
      partition-hint: Primary GPT Table
    3:
      partition-name:
      partition-start: 34
      partition-synthesized: true
      partition-length: 6
      partition-hint: Apple_Free
    4:
      partition-UUID: D97CE46F-D267-440E-8D20-B930EFCA721F
      partition-name: EFI System Partition
      partition-hint-UUID: C12A7328-F81F-11D2-BA4B-00A0C93EC93B
      partition-start: 40
      partition-number: 1
      partition-length: 409600
      partition-hint: C12A7328-F81F-11D2-BA4B-00A0C93EC93B
      partition-filesystems:
        FAT32: EFI

```




Exercise 1.2 – Disks & Partitions

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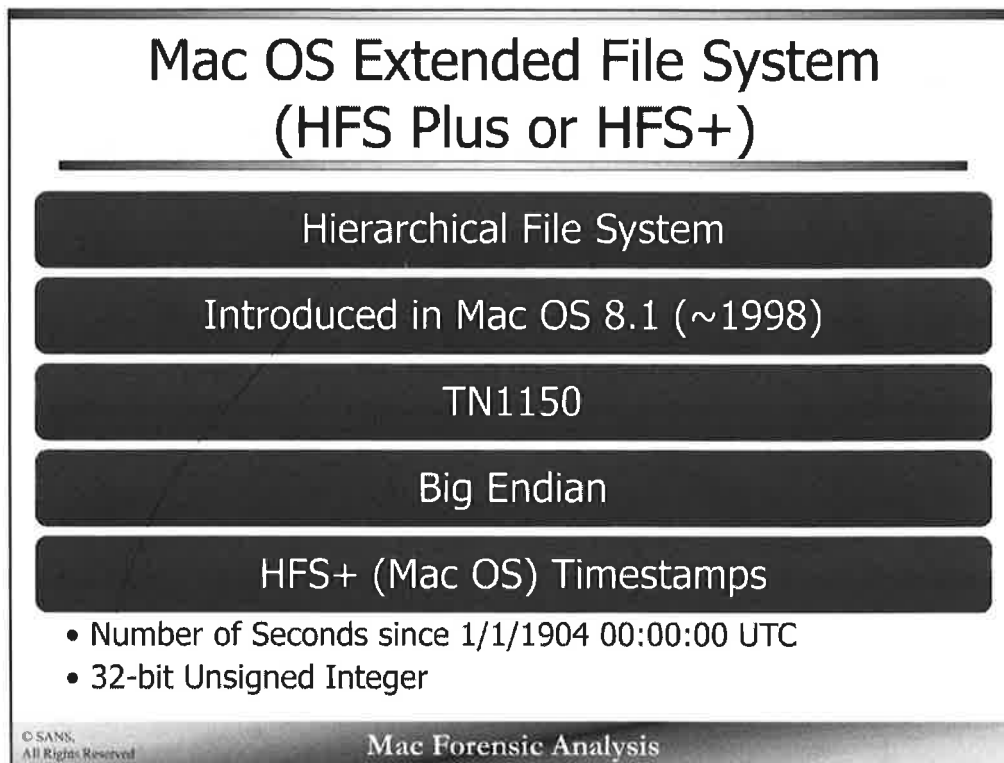
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HFS+

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The Mac OS Extended File System is more widely known as Hierarchical File System (HFS+), or HFS Plus. HFS+ was introduced when HFS (Mac OS Standard File System) was limiting the size of the installation media. HFS+ is able to install on larger volumes, have longer filenames, larger file sizes, and more file metadata.

This file system was introduced in Mac OS 8.1, long before Mac OS X.

A very well known Technical Note (at least to nerdy Mac forensicators) is TN1150, the HFS Plus Volume Format. This document explains the technical intricacies of the HFS+ file system and goes into great detail. The document can be found in the Mac Developer Library.

[<https://developer.apple.com/legacy/library/technotes/tn/tn1150> or
<http://dubeiko.com/development/FileSystems/HFSPLUS/tn1150.html>]

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

TN1150 will be used as the main reference for the HFS+ file system module of this class.

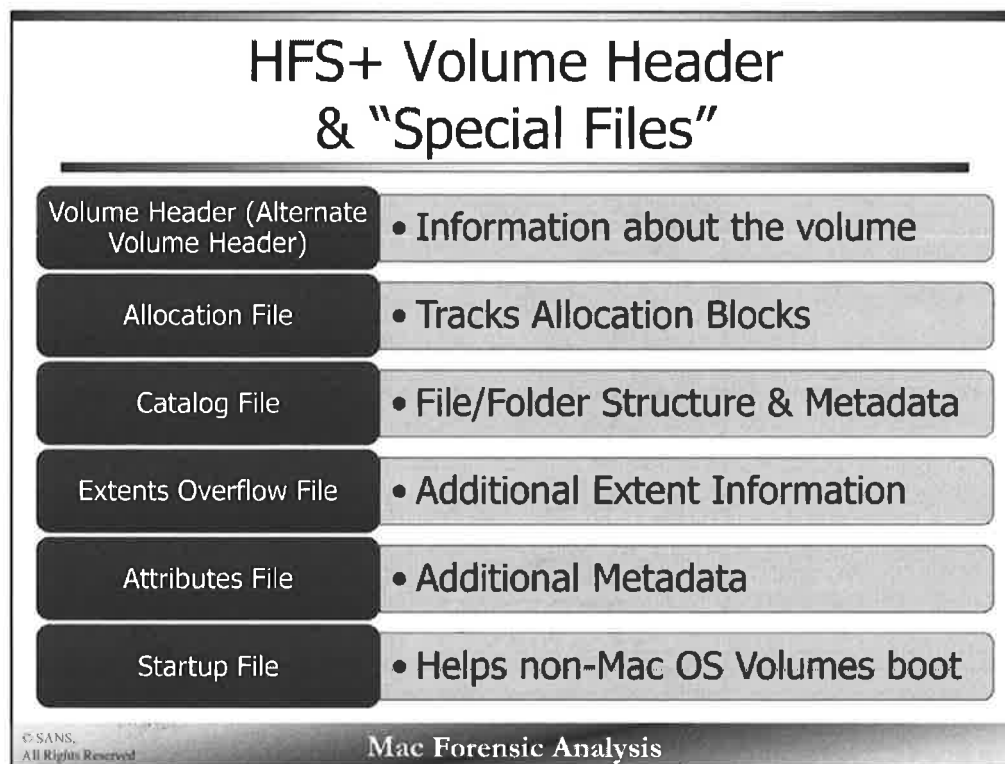
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Mac OS X Internals: A Systems Approach by Amit Singh – Chapter 12

Mac OS X and iOS Internals: To the Apple's Core by Jonathan Levin – Chapter 16



HFS+ is comprised of five "special files" and the HFS+ volume header.

The special files are:

- Allocation File
- Catalog File
- Extents Overflow File
- Attributes File
- Startup File

References:

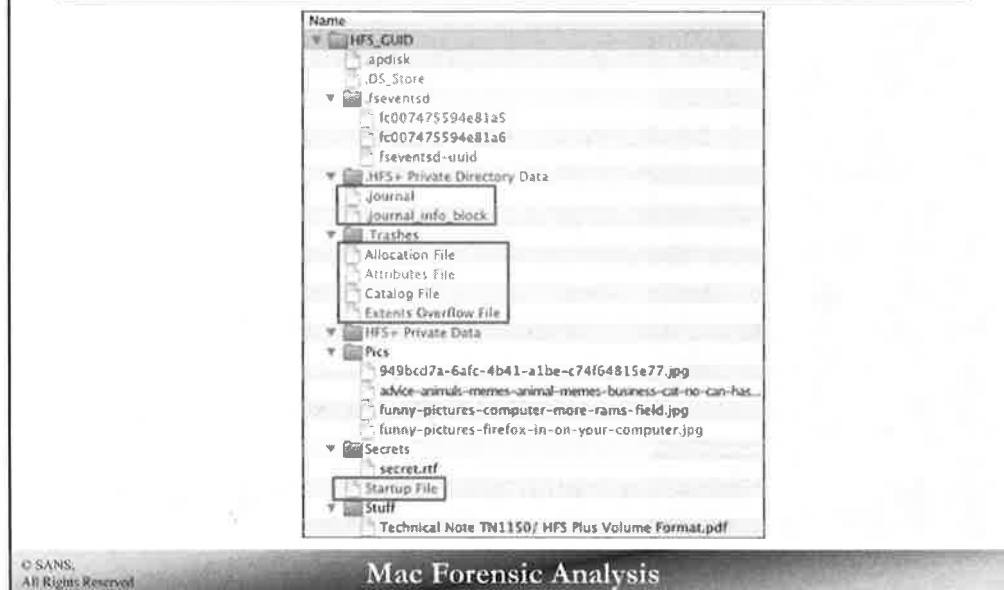
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HFS+ "GPT .dmg" Disk Example



The screenshot shows our example disk image file, GPT .dmg that we will use in class.

The GPT.dmg disk was opened in the forensic software Blacklight to show all the files on the disk.

Highlighted in the boxes are the HFS+ Special Files and the Journal files:

- Allocation File
- Attributes File
- Catalog File
- Extents Overflow File
- Startup File
- Journal Files (.journal and .journal_info_block)

These files are not normally accessible by the user, hence they are greyed out in the screenshot above.

We will be looking at these files in detail in the next few sections.

This disk contains a volume (partition) named "HFS_GUID" that contains three user-created directories containing files; Pics, Secrets, and Stuff.

Volume Header

Contains data such as:

- Signature (H+)
- HFS+ Version
- Volume Creation, Modified, Backup & Checked Dates
- File & Folder Count
- Block Size
- Finder Information
- Location of other HFS+ Files

Located 1024 bytes from beginning of the volume

Alternate Volume Header located 1024 bytes from the end of the volume

512 bytes in length

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The volume header is located 1024 bytes from the beginning of the volume, while the alternate volume header is located 1024 bytes from the end of the volume. The volume header itself is 512 bytes in size.

The volume header contains information about the volume and the locations of each of the HFS+ “special files”.

References:

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Volume Header Example

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The volume header contains the following notable fields:

- Offset 0 - The signature for the file system, H+ for HFS+. You may also see HX, for HFS+ with case sensitivity, on iOS devices.
- Offset 16 – The volume’s creation date. (Stored in local time)
- Offset 20 – Last modification date of the volume. (Stored in GMT)
- Offset 32 – Number of files on the volume.
- Offset 36– Number of folders on the volume.
- Offset 40 – Allocation Block Size (4096 bytes)
- Offset 112 – Location and size of Allocation File.
- Offset 192 – Location and size of Extents Overflow File.
- Offset 272 – Location and size of Catalog File.
- Offset 352 – Location and size of Attributes File.
- Offset 432 – Location and size of Startup File.

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

Note: Only the Volume Creation Date stored as local time, all other dates in the volume header are stored as GMT.

This screenshot was created with the Snylize It! Application.

Offset	Size (in bytes)	Data
0	2	Signature
2	2	Version
4	4	Attributes
8	4	Last Mounted Version
12	4	Journal Info Block
16	4	Create Date
20	4	Modify Date
24	4	Backup Date
28	4	Checked Date
32	4	File Count
36	4	Folder Count
40	4	Block Size
44	4	Total Blocks
48	4	Free Blocks
52	4	Next Allocation
56	4	rsrc Clump Size
60	4	Data Clump Size
64	4	Next Catalog ID
68	4	Write Count
72	8	Encoding Bitmap
80	4	Finder Info Array [0]
84	4	Finder Info Array [1]
88	4	Finder Info Array [2]
92	4	Finder Info Array [3]
96	4	Finder Info Array [4]
100	4	Finder Info Array [5]
104	4	Finder Info Array [6]
108	4	Finder Info Array [7]
112	80	Allocation File Size & Location
192	80	Extents File Size & Location
272	80	Catalog File Size & Location
352	80	Attributes File Size & Location
432	80	Startup File Size & Location

The “size and location” field of each of the HFS+ Special Files have the format shown in the table. Each entry consists of a logical size, a clump size, total number of blocks and an array containing the size and length of each extent of the file. If there are more than eight extents, it will be located in the Extents Overflow File.

Offset	Size (in bytes)	Data
0	8	Logical Size
8	4	Clump Size
12	4	Total Blocks
16	4	Extent 1 – Start Block
20	4	Extent 1 – Block Count
24	4	Extent 2 – Start Block
28	4	Extent 2 – Block Count
32	4	Extent 3 – Start Block
36	4	Extent 3 – Block Count
40	4	Extent 4 – Start Block
44	4	Extent 4 – Block Count
48	4	Extent 5 – Start Block
52	4	Extent 5 – Block Count
56	4	Extent 6 – Start Block
60	4	Extent 6 – Block Count
64	4	Extent 7 – Start Block
68	4	Extent 7 – Block Count
72	4	Extent 8 – Start Block
76	4	Extent 8 – Block Count

HFS+ Dates & Times

The dates and times in HFS+ are unique to HFS. This value represents the number of seconds since 1/1/1904 at midnight or 00:00:00.

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

References:

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	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	0A	0B	0C	0D	0E	0F	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
000	48	28	00	04	80	00	21	00	48	46	53	4A	00	00	00	02	CC	1F	A2	C6	CE	B8	21	29	H+...!.HFSJ...î 4Ê,!)
024	00	00	00	00	CC	1F	DB	06	00	00	00	0D	00	00	00	07	00	00	10	00	00	00	27	08	...î Û.....'
048	00	00	24	B3	00	00	01	24	00	01	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	3E	00	00	00	39	..\$³..\$.>...9
072	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
096	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	67	9C	B9	05	56	5C	F3	D2	00	00	00	00	00	00	10	00	.....g¹.Vó0.....
120	00	00	10	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
144	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
168	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
192	00	00	00	00	00	04	E0	00	00	04	E0	00	00	00	00	4E	00	00	00	83	00	00	00	4E	....â..â..N....N
216	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
240	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
264	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	04	E0	00	00	04	E0	00	00	00	00	4E	.....â..â..â...N
288	00	00	04	2B	00	00	00	4E	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	..+.N.....
312	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
336	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	04	E0	00â.
360	00	04	E0	00	00	00	00	4E	00	00	00	D1	00	00	00	4E	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	..â...N..Ñ..N.....
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432	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
456	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
480	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....
504	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....

Pos...	Off...	Element	Value
0	0	▼ HFS+ Volume Header [0]	
0	0	Disk Signature	H+
2	+2	Version	4
4	+4	Attributes	80 00 21 00
8	+8	Last Mounted Version	HFSJ
12	+12	Journal Info Block	2
16	+16	Create Date	3424625350
20	+20	Modify Date	3468173609
24	+24	Backup Date	0
28	+28	Checked Date	3424639750
32	+32	File Count	13
36	+36	Folder Count	7
40	+40	Block Size	4096
44	+44	Total Blocks	9995
48	+48	Free Blocks	9395
52	+52	Next Allocation	292
56	+56	RSRC Clump Size	65536
60	+60	Data Clump Size	65536
64	+64	Next Catalog ID	62
68	+68	Write Count	57
72	+72	Encoding Bitmap	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 01
80	+80	Finder Info Array [0]	0
84	+84	Finder Info Array [1]	0
88	+88	Finder Info Array [2]	0
92	+92	Finder Info Array [3]	0
96	+96	Finder Info Array [4]	0
100	+100	Finder Info Array [5]	0
104	+104	VSDB Volume ID Finder Info Array [6,7]	0x679CB905565CF3D2
112	+112	► ForkData [0]	
192	+192	► ForkData [1]	
272	+272	► ForkData [2]	
352	+352	► ForkData [3]	
432	+432	► ForkData [4]	

Parse Volume Header with hdiutil fsid *.dmg or /dev/disk*

```

Analyzing partition 4: disk image Apple_HFS
HFS+
volume size                0x02700000 (40939520) bytes [39.0 MB]
min stretch size          0x00070000 (00000000) bytes [0.5 MB]
max stretch size          0x00000000 (134217720) bytes [128 MB]
current free space         0x02403000 (38481920) bytes [36.7 MB]
allocation blocks          0x00002700 (9995)
block size                  0x00001000 (4096) bytes [4 KB]
post-al-block space        0x00000000 (0) sectors
VH (sector 2)
signature                   30+
version                     0x0000
attributes                  0x00002100
lastMountedVersion          0x00000000 (HFS+)
journalInfoBlock            0x00000000
createDate                  0xC17A2C5 7/8/12, 8:49:10 PM EDT
modifyDate                  0xCEB82120 11/24/13, 9:33:20 PM GMT
backupDate                  0x00000000 1/1/04, 12:00:00 AM GMT
checkedDate                 0xC17B000 7/4/12, 12:49:10 AM GMT
fileCount                   0x00000000
folderCount                 0x00000007
blockSize                   0x00001000
totalBlocks                 0x00002700
freeBlocks                  0x00002403
nextAllocation              0x00000124
rsrclumpSize                0x00010000
dataclumpSize               0x00010000
nextCatalogID              0x0000003C
writeCount                  0x00000030
encodingsBitmap             0x0000000000000001
finderInfo
0                            0 Blessed folder directory ID
1                            0
2                            0 Open folder directory ID
3                            0 Mac OS 9 blessed folder directory ID
4                            0
5                            0 Mac OS X blessed folder directory ID
VSDB: Volume ID             0x079C0005565CF3D2
allocationFile
logicalSize                 0x000000000001000
clumpSize                   0x00001000
totalBlocks                 0x00000001
startBlock blockCount       0x00000001 0x00000001

```

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An easy way to view the volume header is to use the `hdiutil fsid` command on a DMG file or on a disk using `/dev/disk*`. This is the volume header information for `GPT.dmg`.

This command must be run with a `*.dmg` file, if you have a raw DD file you can add a `.dmg` extension.

Due to its verbosity, only a section of this output is shown.

Reference:

[hdiutil Man Page](#)

Analyzing partition 4: disk image Apple_HFS

HFS+

```

volume size                0x0270B000 (40939520) bytes [39.0 MB]
min stretch size          0x0087D000 (8900608) bytes [8.5 MB]
max stretch size          0x08000000 (134217728) bytes [128 MB]
current free space         0x024B3000 (38481920) bytes [36.7 MB]
allocation blocks          0x0000270B (9995)
block size                  0x00001000 (4096) bytes [4 KB]
post-al-block space        0x00000000 (0) sectors

```

VH (sector 2)

```

signature                  H+
version                    0x0004
attributes                  0x80002100
lastMountedVersion          0x4846534A (HFSJ)
journalInfoBlock            0x00000002
createDate                  0xCC1FA2C6 7/8/12, 8:49:10 PM EDT
modifyDate                  0xCEB82129 11/24/13, 9:33:29 PM GMT
backupDate                  0x00000000 1/1/04, 12:00:00 AM GMT
checkedDate                 0xCC1FDB06 7/9/12, 12:49:10 AM GMT
fileCount                   0x0000000D
folderCount                 0x00000007
blockSize                   0x00001000
totalBlocks                 0x0000270B
freeBlocks                  0x000024B3
nextAllocation              0x00000124
rsrclumpSize                0x00010000
dataClumpSize               0x00010000
nextCatalogID              0x0000003E
writeCount                  0x00000039
encodingsBitmap             0x0000000000000001
finderInfo
  0                          0      Blessed folder directory ID
  1                          0
  2                          0      Open folder directory ID
  3                          0      Mac OS 9 blessed folder directory ID
  4                          0
  5                          0      Mac OS X blessed folder directory ID
VSDB Volume ID              0x679CB905565CF3D2

```

```

allocationFile
  logicalSize               0x0000000000001000
  clumpSize                  0x00001000
  totalBlocks                0x00000001
  extents                    startBlock blockCount
                             0x00000001 0x00000001

```

```

extentsFile
  logicalSize               0x000000000004E000
  clumpSize                  0x0004E000
  totalBlocks                0x0000004E
  extents                    startBlock blockCount
                             0x00000083 0x0000004E

```

```

catalogFile
  logicalSize               0x000000000004E000
  clumpSize                  0x0004E000
  totalBlocks                0x0000004E
  extents                    startBlock blockCount
                             0x0000042B 0x0000004E

```

```

attributesFile
  logicalSize               0x000000000004E000
  clumpSize                  0x0004E000
  totalBlocks                0x0000004E
  extents                    startBlock blockCount
                             0x000000D1 0x0000004E

```

```

startupFile
  logicalSize               0x0000000000000000
  clumpSize                  0x00000000
  totalBlocks                0x00000000
  extents                    startBlock blockCount

```

Volume Header

The Sleuth Kit `fsstat` Command

```
nibble:Exercise 1.3 - HFS+ compas fsstat -o 40 GPT.dmg
FILE SYSTEM INFORMATION
-----
File System Type: HFS+
File System Version: HFS+

Volume Name: HFS_GUID
Volume Identifier: 679cb905565cf3d2

Last Mounted By: Mac OS X, Journaled
Volume Unmounted Properly
Mount Count: 57

Creation Date: 2012-07-08 21:49:10 (EDT)
Last Written Date: 2013-11-24 16:33:29 (EST)
Last Backup Date: 0000-00-00 00:00:00 (UTC)
Last Checked Date: 2012-07-08 20:49:10 (EDT)

Journal Info Block: 2

METADATA INFORMATION
-----
Range: 2 - 61
Bootable Folder ID: 0
Startup App ID: 0
Startup Open Folder ID: 0
Mac OS 8/9 Blessed System Folder ID: 0
Mac OS X Blessed System Folder ID: 0
Number of files: 13
Number of folders: 7

CONTENT INFORMATION
-----
Block Range: 0 - 9994
Allocation Block Size: 4096
Number of Free Blocks: 9395
```

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Another way we can view some of the volume header information is to use The Sleuth Kit `fsstat` command. While this does not contain the size and location of the HFS+ special files – it does give us a concise view of the volume including timestamps, volume name, format and file/folder information.

This command can be used on a disk image or on a live system using the raw disk device (`/dev/rdisk#`)

Reference:

`fsstat` Man Page

```
nibble:Exercise 1.3 - HFS+ oompa$ fsstat -o 40 GPT.dmg
FILE SYSTEM INFORMATION
```

```
-----
File System Type: HFS+
File System Version: HFS+
```

```
Volume Name: HFS_GUID
Volume Identifier: 679cb905565cf3d2
```

```
Last Mounted By: Mac OS X, Journaled
Volume Unmounted Properly
Mount Count: 57
```

```
Creation Date: 2012-07-08 21:49:10 (EDT)
Last Written Date: 2013-11-24 16:33:29 (EST)
Last Backup Date: 0000-00-00 00:00:00 (UTC)
Last Checked Date: 2012-07-08 20:49:10 (EDT)
```

```
Journal Info Block: 2
```

METADATA INFORMATION

```
-----
```

```
Range: 2 - 61
Bootable Folder ID: 0
Startup App ID: 0
Startup Open Folder ID: 0
Mac OS 8/9 Blessed System Folder ID: 0
Mac OS X Blessed System Folder ID: 0
Number of files: 13
Number of folders: 7
```

CONTENT INFORMATION

```
-----
```

```
Block Range: 0 - 9994
Allocation Block Size: 4096
Number of Free Blocks: 9395
```

Extraction of HFS+ “special files” with TSK `icat` Command

```
icat -f hfs -o <partitionoffset>  
*.dmg <inode> > special_file
```

Special File Inode Numbers

- 3 – Extents Overflow File
- 4 – Catalog File
- 6 – Allocation File
- 7 – Startup File
- 8 – Attributes File

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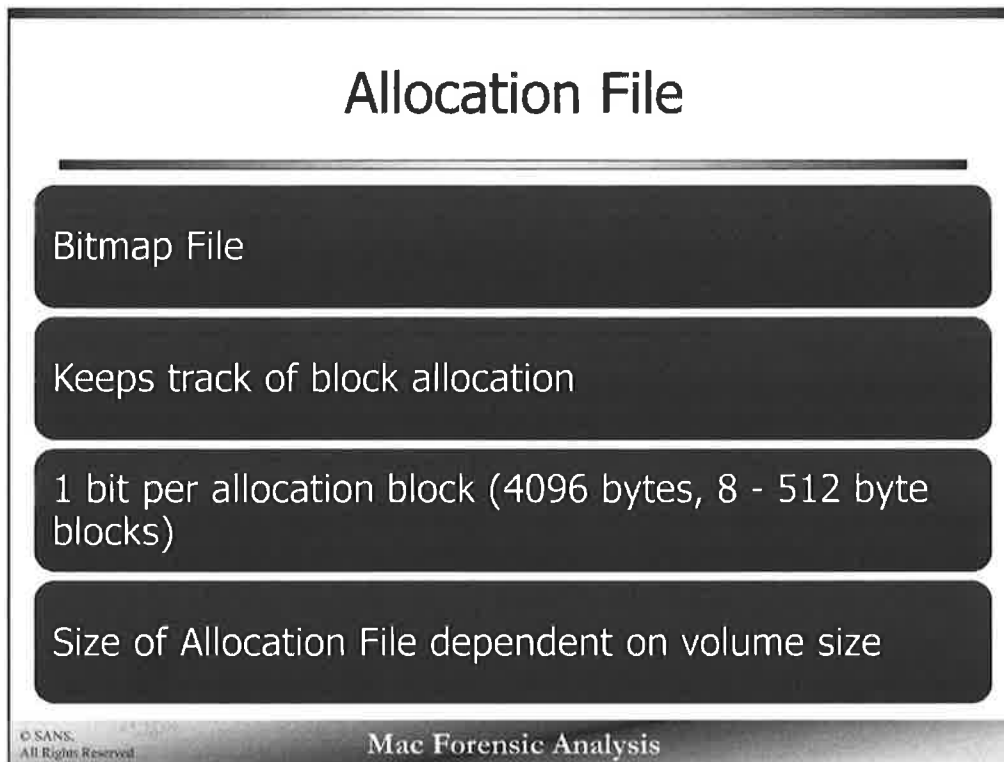
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The following slides describe the special files and how they are laid out. Each of these special files has their own “inode” or Catalog Node ID (CNID). Apple has reserved the first 16 CNIDs for special files, some of which are listed above.

Some forensic tools do not allow access to these files as they are “system” files. Each special file can be accessed and extracted by their CNID using the `icat` command from Sleuthkit. Extraction of these files may be useful if you need to do additional analysis on them.

To extract the Allocation File you would use the following command:

```
icat -f hfs -o 409640 lion_macbook.dmg 6 > allocation_file
```

The Allocation File is used to track which blocks on a volume are allocated (or not). The size of this file is dependent of the size of the volume.

The Allocation File uses a bitmap format to store its data. Each 512 byte block is represented by one bit. The file tracks eight blocks at a time, or 4,096 bytes.

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

References:

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Allocation File Example

0000	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
0016	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
0032	FF	FF	FF	FE	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0048	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0064	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0080	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0096	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0112	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0128	00	00	00	00	00	1F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	00
0144	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0160	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0176	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0192	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0208	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0224	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0240	97	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
0256	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	CF	F0	00	00
0272	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0288	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0304	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0320	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0336	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0352	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0368	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0384	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00

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Allocation File Allocated Blocks		
<div> <div>Left Most Bit = Lower Block</div> <div>Right Most Bit = Higher Block</div> </div>		
Hex	Binary	Allocation
0x00	00000000	No Blocks Allocated
0xFF	11111111	All Blocks Allocated
0x1F	00011111	Lowest three blocks are unallocated
0x80	10000000	Lowest block is allocated
0x07	00000111	Highest three blocks are allocated
0xF0	11110000	Highest four blocks are unallocated
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Each byte in the Allocation File is organized as follows:

- The **left most bit** contains the status of the block with the **lowest** number.
- The **right most bit** contains the status of the block with the **highest** number.

In the table above, the examples from the previous screenshot are shown in binary to demonstrate which blocks are allocated and which are not.

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

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Allocation File Allocation Block Examples

0xF0

Lower Block							Higher Block
Bit 1	Bit 2	Bit 3	Bit 4	Bit 5	Bit 6	Bit 7	Bit 8
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Allocated	Allocated	Allocated	Allocated	Unallocated	Unallocated	Unallocated	Unallocated

0x07

Lower Block							Higher Block
Bit 1	Bit 2	Bit 3	Bit 4	Bit 5	Bit 6	Bit 7	Bit 8
0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Unallocated	Unallocated	Unallocated	Unallocated	Unallocated	Allocated	Allocated	Allocated

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Each byte in the Allocation File is organized as follows:

- The **most** significant bit contains the status of the block with the **lowest** number.
- The **least** significant bit contains the status of the block with the **highest** number.

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

References:

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B-Trees

Used by the Catalog, Attributes, Extents Overflow File

Used for efficiency in searching stored data

Made up of Nodes, Records, Keys & Data

Ordered Keys

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The balanced tree or B-tree structure is used by the three HFS+ special files.

- Catalog File
- Attributes File
- Extents Overflow File

The B-tree structure is used to efficiently search the records in the tree where file system data is stored. A B-tree is made up of nodes, records, keys, and data. The data is ordered by keys.

This B-tree concept is not very easy to understand and takes time and patience to grasp the structure of B-trees and their purpose in the HFS+ file system.

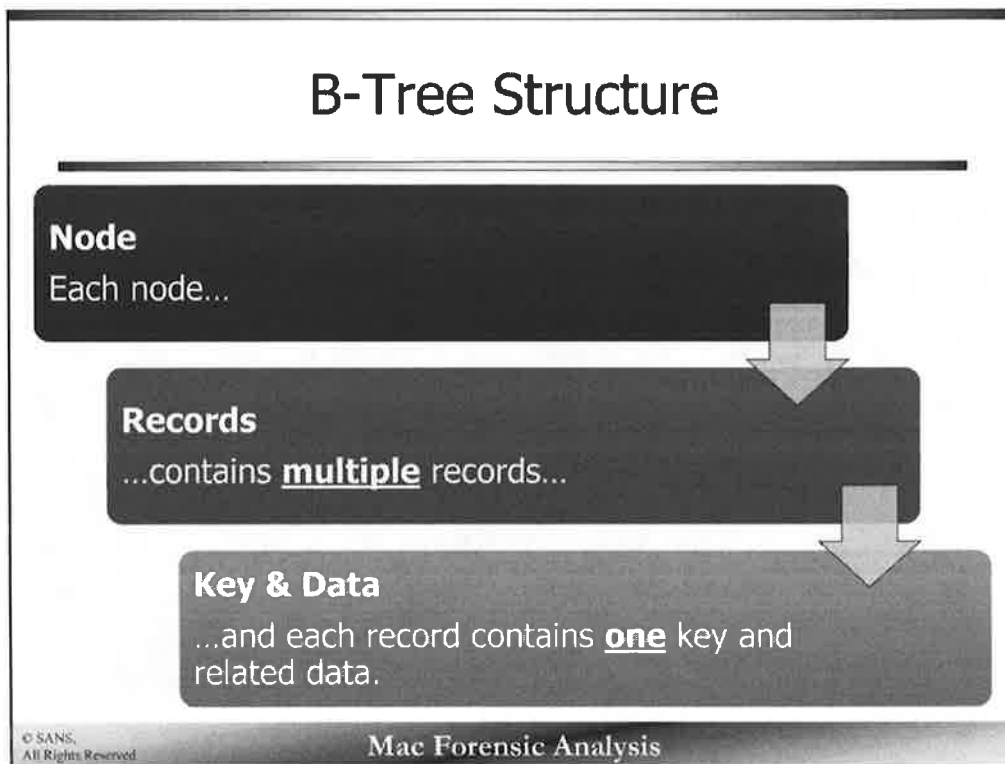
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The B-tree structure is made up of nodes, records, keys, and data.

Each **node** may contain multiple records.

Each **record** contains only one key and data.

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B-Tree Nodes [1]

Header Node

- Only **one** in each B-Tree
- Always the first node
- Contains information where to find other nodes in the tree

Map Nodes

- Contain Map Records: Contains allocation data B-tree nodes

Index Nodes

- Contain Pointer Records: Contains B-tree structure information

Leaf Nodes

- Contain Data Records: Contains data corresponding to a unique key

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A B-tree uses four types of nodes:

- Header Node
- Map Nodes
- Index Nodes
- Leaf Nodes

There is only one Header Node in each B-tree. There is **only one** Header Node for each of the Catalog, Attributes, and Extents Overflow files. The Header Node is always the first node in the B-tree, it contains information on how to find other nodes in the B-tree.

Map Nodes contain **Map Records**. These records contain allocation data of B-tree nodes.

Index Nodes contain **Pointer Records**. These records contain B-tree structure information.

Leaf Nodes contain **Data Records**. These records contain data corresponding to a unique key.

Each node type has a standard structure that is the same across all nodes.

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B-Tree Nodes [2]

Each node is assigned a number

Calculate Node Number

- Divide offset in file by node size (8k, 4k, 1k)

Each Node Contains:

- Descriptor (Beginning of Node) – 14 bytes
- List of Records
- List of Record Offsets (End of Node)

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Each B-tree node is assigned a number. This number can be calculated by dividing the offset of the node in the file (from the beginning of the special file) by the node size, found in the Header Node's Header Record.

Default Node Size for Mac OS X:

- Catalog File – 8,192 bytes
- Attributes File – 4,096 bytes
- Extents Overflow File – 1,024 bytes

Each node contains the following pieces:

- Descriptor – starts at the beginning of the node.
- List of Record Offsets – starting from the end of the node.
- List of Records

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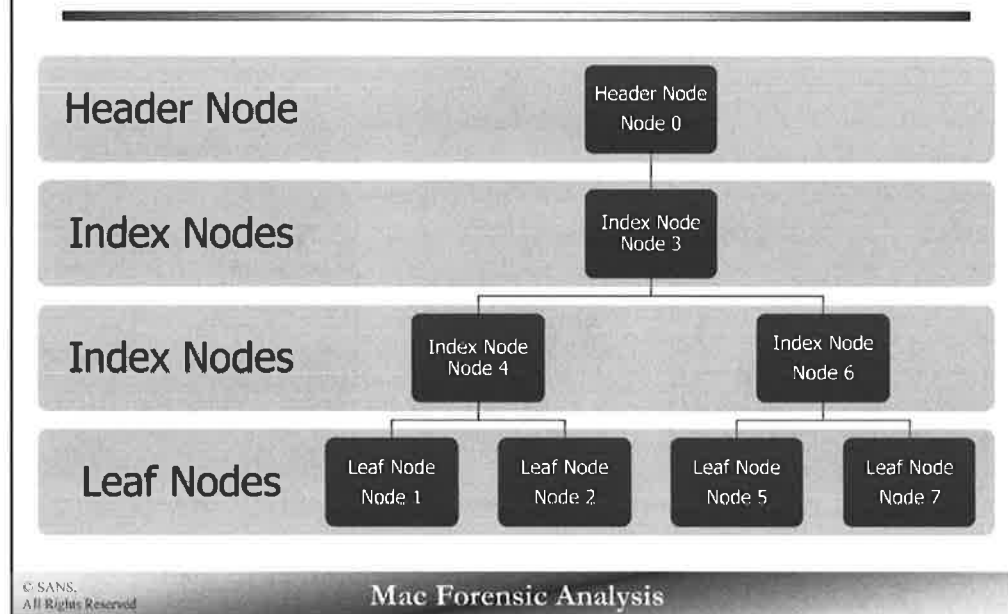
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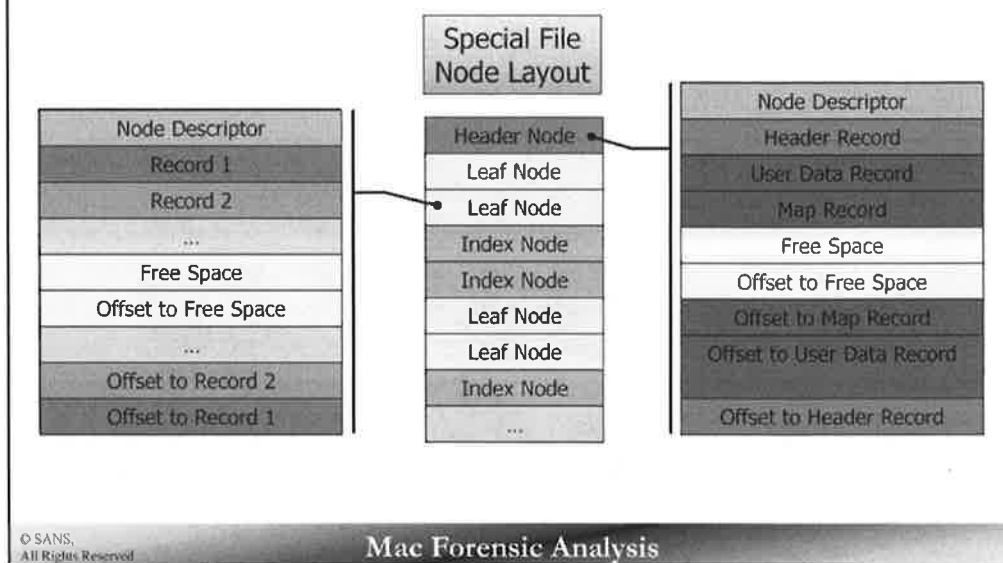
B-Tree Example



A B-Tree is made up of different nodes, the Header Node at the top is always Node 0.

Index Nodes build the branches of the tree, while Leaf Nodes are the leaves. Leaf Nodes are always at the "bottom" of the tree.

Special File Nodes & Node Structure



Each special file using a B-Tree (Catalog, Attributes, Extents Overflow) will be comprised of ONE Header Node, and multiple Leaf, Index, (and possibly) Map Nodes. Each node size is determined by data found in the Header Node (Node Size), this may be 4,096 bytes for each node, for example.

Each Header Node is comprised of a Node Descriptor, Header Record, User Data Record, and Map Record.

Other Nodes (Leaf, Index) are comprised of a Node Descriptor, and Keyed Records.

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Node Descriptor [14 Bytes]

- First 14 Bytes of Each Node
- Node Information
- Forward & backward Links (to other nodes)

Offset	Size	Field		Value	Node Type
0	4 Bytes	Forward Link		-1 (0xFF)	Leaf Node
4	4 Bytes	Backward Link		0 (0x00)	Index Node
8	1 Byte	Kind	←	1 (0x01)	Header Node
9	1 Byte	Height		2 (0x02)	Map Node
10	2 Bytes	Number of Records			
12	2 Bytes	Reserved			

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The Node Descriptor part of the Node starts at the beginning of the node.

The Node Descriptor is always 14 bytes in size, and contains node information such as the forward and backward links to other nodes. These links tell the system how to find the nodes. If the forward link is 0, it is the last node. If the backward link is 0, it is the first node in the list.

The Node Descriptor also contains a value describing the kind of node it is. This will help determine what type of data is contained in the node.

The height field contains the depth in the B-tree of where this node is located. A node at level 0, may be the Header Node or a Map Node. Leaf Nodes will always be at a level 1.

The Number of Records field determines the number of records contained in this node.

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

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Node Descriptor Examples

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Example 1:

- Forward Link - $0 \times 00000000 = 0$
- Backward Link - $0 \times 00000000 = 0$
- Kind - $0 \times 01 = 1$ (Header Node)
- Height - $0 \times 00 = 0$
- Number of Records - $0 \times 0003 = 3$ Records
- Reserved - 0×0000

Example 2:

- Forward Link - $0 \times 00000000 = 0$
- Backward Link - $0 \times 00000002 = 2$
- Kind - $0 \times ff = -1$ (Leaf Node)
- Height - $0 \times 01 = 1$
- Number of Records - $0 \times 0013 = 19$ Records
- Reserved - 0×0000

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Header Node

Always Node 0

Contains data about the B-tree

Always contains three records:

- Header Record
- User Data Record
- Map Record

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The Header Node is always node 0. It contains information about the specific B-tree.

The Header Node is comprised of three records:

- Header Record
- User Data Record
- Map Record

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Header Node

Header Record [106 Bytes]

Offset	Size	Field
0	2 Bytes	Tree Depth
2	4 Bytes	Root Node
6	4 Bytes	Leaf Records
10	4 Bytes	First Leaf Node
14	4 Bytes	Last Leaf Node
18	2 Bytes	Node Size
20	2 Bytes	Max Key Length
22	4 Bytes	Total Nodes
26	4 Bytes	Free Nodes
30	2 Bytes	Reserved
32	4 Bytes	Clump Size
36	1 Byte	B-tree Type
37	1 Bytes	Key Compare Type
38	4 Bytes	Attributes
42	4 Bytes	Reserved [16] – 64 bytes

Value	B-tree Type
0 (0x00)	HFS B-tree
128 (0x80)	User B-Tree
255 (0xFF)	Reserved

Value	Key Compare Type
0xCF or 0xC7	Case Folding (Case-insensitive)
0xBC	Binary Compare (Case-sensitive)

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The Header Record in the Header Node is 106 bytes in size.

The Header Record contains data such:

- The number of the root Index Node (Root Node)
- Node numbers for the first and last leaf nodes
- Size of the nodes
- Total number of nodes in the B-tree
- Number of free nodes
- Type of B-tree
- Comparison type for searching keys
- Attributes specific to the B-tree (detailed in TN1150)

The type of B-tree for HFS+ special files will have the value '0'. The comparison type of key searching may have one of three values. The volume may be case-sensitive or case-insensitive.

More detailed information about the record fields can be found in TN1150.

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Header Record Example

000000	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	01 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 02 00 00 00 03
000020	00 00 00 34	00 00 00 04	00 00 00 01	10 00	02 04 00 00 00 4E
000040	00 00 00 49	00 00	00 04 E0 00	00 CF	00 00 00 05 00 00 00 00
000060	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000080	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000100	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000120	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000140	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000160	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000180	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000200	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000220	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000240	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000260	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
000280	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00
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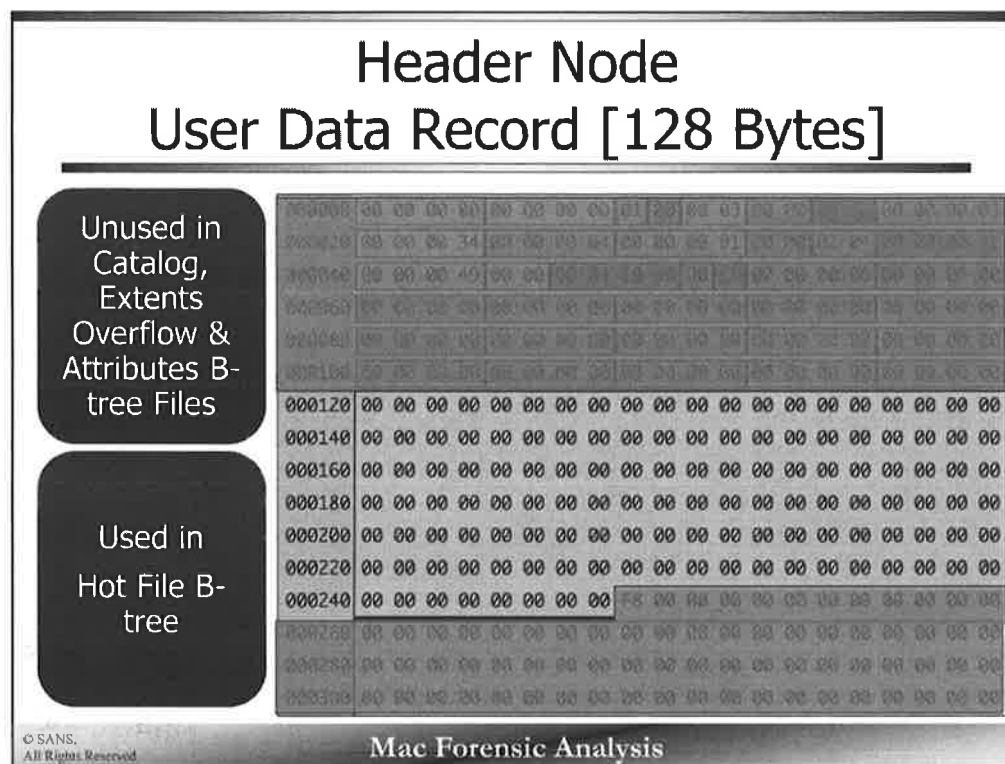
- Tree Depth – $0 \times 0002 = 3$
- Root Node – $0 \times 00000003 = 3$
- Leaf Records – $0 \times 00000034 = 52$
- First Leaf Node – $0 \times 00000004 = 4$
- Last Leaf Node – $0 \times 00000001 = 1$
- Node Size – $0 \times 1000 = 4096$
- Max Key Length – $0 \times 0204 = 516$
- Total Nodes – $0 \times 0000004E = 78$
- Free Nodes – $0 \times 00000049 = 73$
- Reserved – 0×0000
- Clump Size – $0 \times 0004E000 = 319488$
- B-Tree Type – $0 \times 00 = 0 = \text{HFS B-Tree}$
- Key Compare Type – $0 \times CF = \text{Case Folding (Insensitive)}$
- Attributes – 0×00000006
- Reserved – 0×00000000 [Array of 16 for 64 bytes total]

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0000000	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	03	00	00	00	02	00	00	00	03
0000020	00	00	00	34	00	00	00	04	00	00	00	01	10	00	02	04	00	00	00	4E
0000040	00	00	00	49	00	00	00	04	E0	00	00	CF	00	00	00	06	00	00	00	00
0000060	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000080	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000100	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000120	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000140	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000160	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000180	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000200	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000220	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000240	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	F8	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000260	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000280	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
0000300	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00



The User Data Record of the Header Node is always 128 bytes in size, however it is unused in the HFS+ special files. It is used in the Hot File B-tree, explained later.

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Header Node Map Record

Bitmap – Format is the same as Allocation File

Contains data on which nodes are free in the B-tree

Map Record Size:

- Node Size (in Header Record) minus 248 bytes

000000	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
000010	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
000020	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
000030	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
000040	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
000050	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
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0000B0	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0000C0	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0000D0	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
0000E0	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
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0002F0	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
000300	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

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The Map Record of the Header Node has a very similar function to the Allocation File. Recall that the Allocation File uses a bitmap format to determine which blocks on a volume are used and which are free. The Map Record does the same function but for which nodes are allocated and which are free.

The size of the Map Record is always the Node Size (found in the Header Record) minus 248 bytes.

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Map Nodes

Used to store allocation data if Map Record in Header Node is at capacity.

Forward Link in Header Node will be the node number of the first Map Node.

Map Nodes are an extension of those in Header Node.

Contains:

- Node Descriptor
- Map Record (Only one)

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Map Nodes are used when the Header Node is at capacity, meaning there is no more space to store data about the allocation of nodes.

The forward link in the Header Node will point to the node number of the first Map Node. Map Nodes extend the Header Node. There may be multiple Map Nodes.

Map Nodes contain a Node Descriptor and a Map Record, both have been detailed previously.

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Index Node

Points to data in another node

Contains Pointer Records

- Key Length - Always 2 bytes in HFS+ B-trees
- Key - Variable Size
- Data - 4 Bytes Node Number

Catalog File uses the Index Key:

- 4 Byte Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID)
- Variable – 2 Byte Data Size + Data

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The Index Node contains Pointer Records. These records contain three parts:

- Key Length
- Key (See next table)
- Node Number (4 bytes) – This node will contain the data for the specified file/folder.

Index Node Layout:	
Size (in bytes)	Field
2	Key Length
Variable	Key (see table below)
4	Node Number

For Example: The Key used in the Catalog File is comprised of the Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID) number and the variable data string (Data size + File/Folder Name)

Index Key for Catalog File:	
Size (in bytes)	Field
4	Parent CNID
Variable	Data Size [2 bytes] + Data (Empty String 0x0000 in thread records) (+padding byte if key length is odd)

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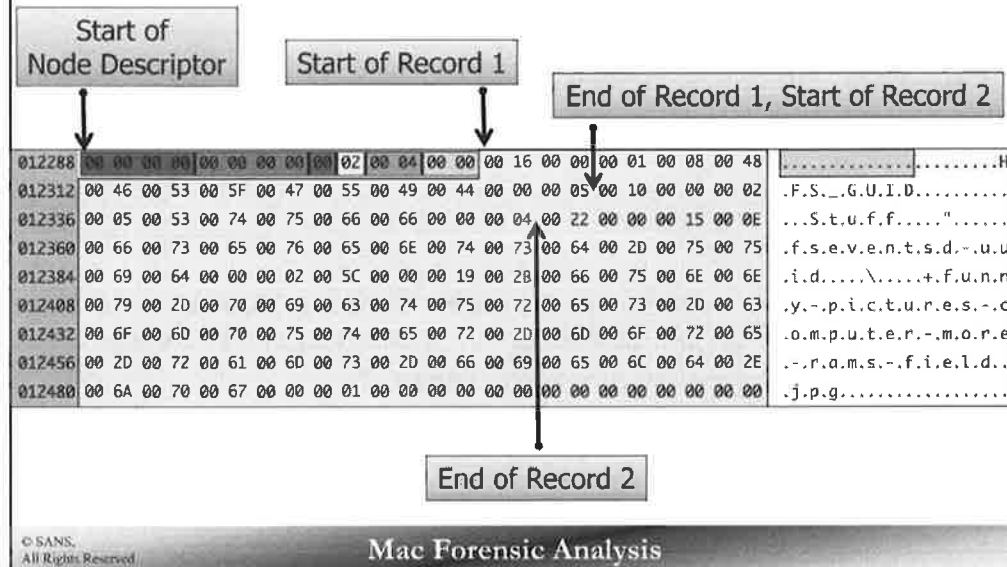
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Index Node Example



Index Node Layout:	
Size (in bytes)	Field
2	Key Length
Variable	Key (see table below)
4	Node Number

Index Key for Catalog File:	
Size (in bytes)	Field
4	Parent CNID
Variable	Data Size [2 bytes] + Data (Empty String 0x0000 in thread records) (+padding byte if key length is odd)

Example 1:

- Forward Link - 0x00000000 = 0
- Backward Link - 0x00000000 = 0
- Kind - 0x00 = 0 (Index Node)
- Height - 0x02 = 2
- Number of Records - 0x0004 = 4 Records (HFS_GUID, Stuff, fsevents-d-uuid, funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg)
- Reserved - 0x0000

Record 1:

- Key Length - 0x0016 = 22 bytes
- Key -
 - Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID) - 0x00000001 = 1
 - Data:
 - Data Size: 0x0008 = 8 (16 bytes Unicode)
 - Data - 0x004800460053005F0047005500490044 = "HFS_GUID"
- Node Number - 0x00000005 = Node 5

Record 2:

- Key Length – 0x0010 – 16 bytes
- Key –
 - Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID) – 0x00000002 = 2
 - Data:
 - Data Size: 0x0005 = 5 (10 bytes Unicode)
 - Data – 0x00530074007500660066 = “Stuff”
- Node Number – 0x00000004 = Node 4

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Leaf Node

Always the bottom of the B-tree

Contains Data Records

- Key Length - Always 2 bytes in HFS+ B-trees
- Key - 4-byte Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID)
- Data - Variable per Special File

May have one-byte padding before and/or after Data to align on two-byte boundary to create an even number of bytes

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A Leaf Node contains Data Records. Leaf Nodes are always located at the bottom of the B-tree.

Data Records are comprised of three parts:

- Key Length
- Key
- Data

Leaf Node Layout:	
Size (in bytes)	Field
2	Key Length
4	Key - Parent CNID
4	HFSUniStr255 (Data Size + Data)

The Data in an HFS+ B-tree will contain one of the following depending on the type of special file.

- Catalog Record
- Extent Record
- Attribute Record

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Leaf Node Example

Start of Node Descriptor		Start of Record 1		End of Record 1, Start of Record 2	
016380	00 2A 00 0E 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	01 00 0A 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 10 00 00 00 02 00 05	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016400	00 53 00 74 00 75 00 66 00 66 00 00 00 00 00 00	01 00 80 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 1B CC 20 80 59	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016432	CC 20 82 5D CC 20 84 C9 CC 4C 39 CB 00 00 00 00 00 00	01 F5 00 00 00 14 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016458	41 ED 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016484	4F FA D4 49 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016510	00 15 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	48 00 46 00 53 00 28 00 20 00 50 00 72 00 69	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016536	00 76 00 61 00 74 00 65 00 20 00 44 00 b1 00 74 00	G1 00 01 00 10 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016562	00 00 00 12 CC 1F DB 06 CC 1F DB 06 CC 1F DB 06 CC	1F DB 06 CC 1F DB 06 CC 1F DB 06 CC 1F DB 06 CC	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016588	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 02 40 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016614	40 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016640	00 00 00 06 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 04 00 00 00 00	02 00 05 00 2E 00 6A 00 6F	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
016666	00 75 00 72 00 6E 00 61 00 6C 00 06 00 00 00 11 00	00 00 00 04 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

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Example 1 (Node 4, from previous example):

- Forward Link - $0x00000002 = 2$
- Backward Link - $0x00000005 = 5$
- Kind - $0xFF = 0$ (Leaf Node)
- Height - $0x01 = 1$
- Number of Records - $0x000A = 10$ Records
- Reserved - $0x0000$

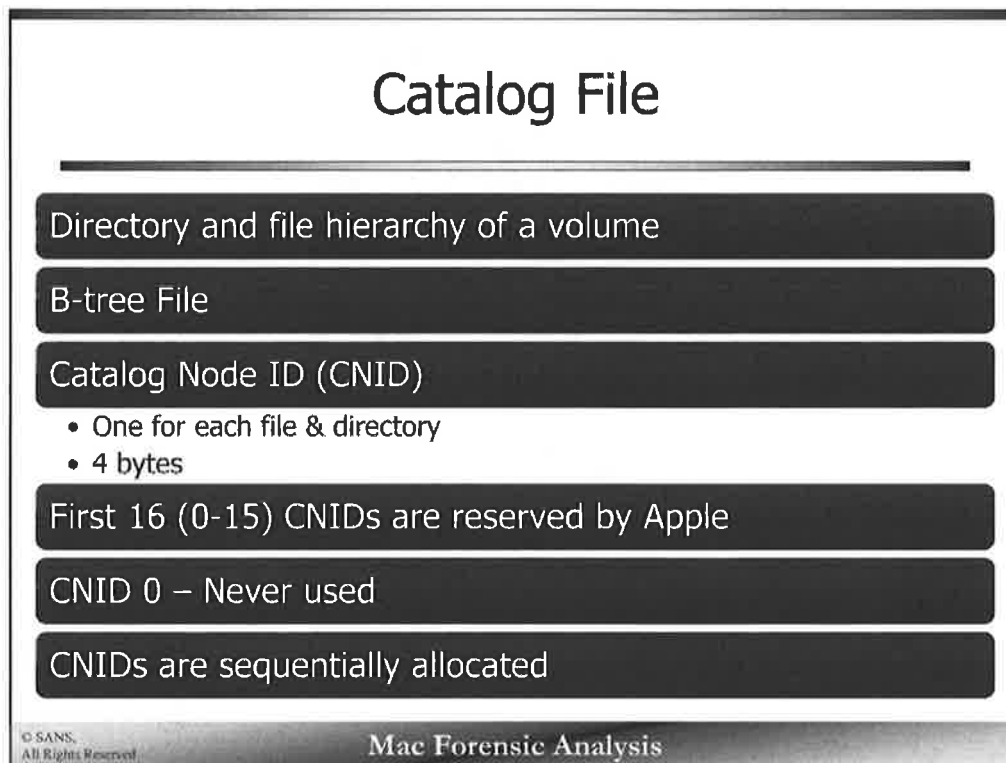
Leaf Node Layout:	
Size (in bytes)	Field
2	Key Length
4	Key - Parent CNID
4	HFSUniStr255 (Data Size + Data)

Record 1:

- Key Length - $0x0010 = 16$ bytes
- Key - (Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID)) - $0x00000002 = 2$
- Data:
 - Data Size: $0x0005 = 5$ (10 bytes Unicode)
 - Data - $0x00530074 007500660066 = \text{"Stuff"}$
- ...Continue on to Catalog File/Folder Records...

Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian

016380	00	2A	00	0E	00	00	00	02	00	00	00	05	FF	01	00	0A	00	00	00	10	00	00	00	02	00	05	*.....ÿ.....
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016432	CC	20	82	5D	CC	20	84	C9	CC	4C	39	CB	00	00	00	00	00	01	F5	00	00	00	14	00	00	00	î .Jî .éîl9Ě.....ô.....
016458	41	ED	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	Aî.....
016484	4F	FA	D4	49	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	ôûî.....
016510	00	15	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	48	00	46	00	53	00	28	00	20	00	50	00	72	00	69	00	.....H.F.S.+ .P.r.î
016536	00	76	00	61	00	74	00	65	00	20	00	44	00	61	00	74	00	61	00	01	00	10	00	00	00	00	.....î Û.î Û.î Û.î Û.....
016562	00	00	00	12	CC	1F	DB	06	CC	1F	DB	06	CC	1F	DB	06	CC	1F	DB	06	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....@.....P.@.
016588	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	02	40	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	50	00	40	00	.....@.....j.o
016614	40	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....u.r.n.a.l.....
016640	00	00	00	06	00	00	00	10	00	00	00	04	00	00	00	00	02	00	08	00	2E	00	6A	00	6F	00	
016666	00	75	00	72	00	6E	00	61	00	6C	00	06	00	00	00	11	00	00	00	04	00	00	00	00	00	02	



The Catalog File will contain the bulk of the forensic data we are interested in. This file contains the directory and file hierarchy of a volume in a B-tree structure.

Each file and folder on a volume has a unique Catalog Node ID or CNID. This is a 4-byte value that is sequentially allocated. The first 16 CNIDs are reserved by Apple for specific files. CNID 0 is never used. CNIDs may be reused.

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Catalog File Reserved Apple CNIDs

CNIDs	Reservation
1	Root Parent
2	Root Folder
3	Extents Overflow File
4	Catalog File
5	Bad Block File
6	Allocation File
7	Startup File
8	Attributes File
14	Repair Catalog File
15	Bogus Extent File
16	First User Catalog Node

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This list contains the reserved Catalog Node IDs for the first 16 CNIDs. The assigned file or folder is standard and can always be referenced by that specific CNID.

CNID 16 is always the first CNID available for user files or directories. CNIDs 9-13 do not appear to be used at this time.

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Catalog File Key

Used in file, folder, thread records

In searches, the CNID of the parent is compared first,
then the Node Name

Size	Field
2 Bytes	Key Length
4 Bytes	Parent CNID
Variable	Node Name (Unicode) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Empty String in Thread Records (0x0000)- Folder/File Name

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The key used in the Catalog File is used for each file, folder or thread record and has the format shown in the table above.

Searches will compare the CNID of the parent first, then it will compare the Node Name (File or Folder Name) to determine if a file or folder exists.

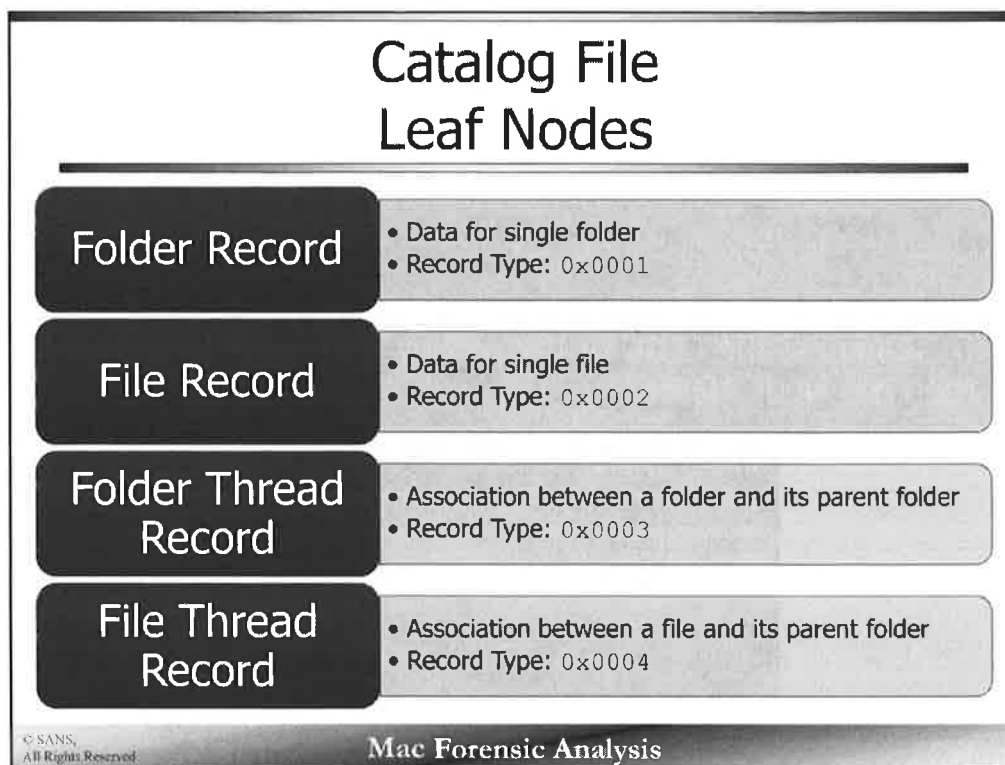
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The Catalog File implements four types of Leaf Nodes.

- Folder Record
- File Record
- Folder Thread Record
- File Thread Record

The Folder Record (Type 0x0001) contains the data for a single folder.

The File Record (Type 0x0002) contains the data for a single file.

The Folder Thread Record (Type 0x0003) contains an association between a folder and its parent folder.

The File Thread Record (Type 0x0004) contains an association between a file and its parent folder.

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Catalog File Folder Records [88 Bytes]

Size	Field
2 Bytes	Record Type (0x0001)
2 Bytes	Flags
4 Bytes	Valence
4 Bytes	Folder ID (CNID)
4 Bytes	Create Date
4 Bytes	Content Modification Date
4 Bytes	Attribute Modification Date
4 Bytes	Access Date
4 Bytes	Backup Date
HFSPPlusBSDInfo [16 Bytes]	Permissions
FolderInfo [16 Bytes]	User Information
ExtendedFolderInfo [16 Bytes]	Finder Information
4 Bytes	Text Encoding
4 Bytes	Reserved

Size	HFSPPlusBSDInfo
4 Bytes	Owner ID
4 Bytes	Group ID
1 Byte	Admin Flags
1 Byte	Owner Flags
2 Bytes	File Mode
4 Bytes	iNode Number or Link Count or Raw Device

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The Folder Records of the Catalog File contain the data shown in the left table above. Each Folder Record will have the value 0x0001 in the Record Type field.

The Valence field contains the number of files and directories contained in this folder.
The Folder ID contains the CNID of this folder.

Each Folder Record contains five dates (HFS+ Timestamp 1/1/1904 00:00:00: in GMT):

- Creation Date – Date and time the folder was created
- Content Modification Date – Date and time the content of the folder was modified
- Attribute Modification Date – Date and time the Catalog Record for this folder was changed
- Access Date – Date and time the contents of the folder were accessed
- Backup Date – Date and time the folder was backed up. Likely unused.

The User Information and Finder Information fields contain information specific to the Mac OS Finder such as:

- Location in Finder window
- If the folder has a custom icon or has a colored 'label'
- If the folder is locked or invisible

The table to the right contains the format for HFS+ file system metadata for the folder.

References:

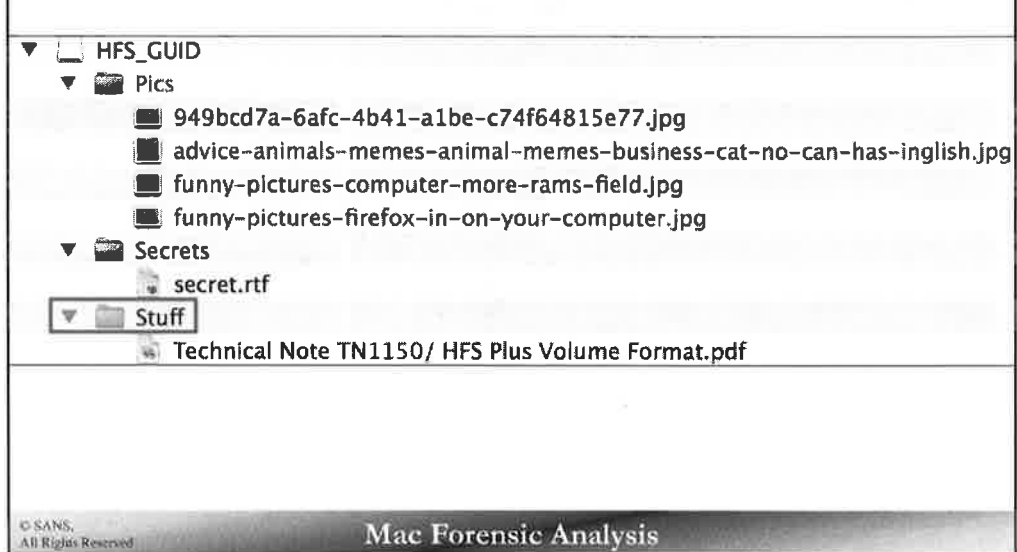
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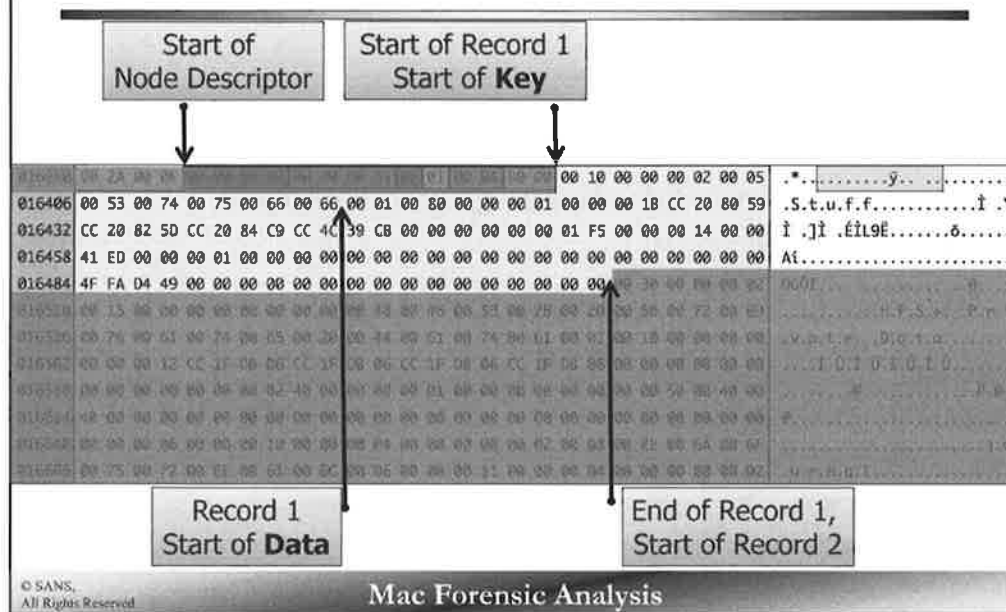
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Folder Record Example in Finder



In our GPT .dmg example, we are going to be looking at the *Stuff* directory shown in the screenshot above.

Folder Record Example



Folder Record Example: **(Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian)**

KEY:

- Key Length – 0x0010 = 16 bytes
- Key – (Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID)) – 0x00000002 = 2
- Data:
 - Data Size: 0x0005 = 5 (10 bytes Unicode)
 - Data – 0x00530074007500660066 = “Stuff”

DATA:

- Record Type – 0x0001 = 1 = Folder Record
- Flags – 0x0080
- Valence – 0x00000001 – 1 (1 File in this folder)
- Folder ID (CNID) – 0x0000001B = 27
- Create Date – 0xCC208059 = 3424682073 = 2012-07-09 12:34:33 Mon UTC
- Content Modification Date – 0xCC20825D = 3424682589 = 2012-07-09 12:43:09 Mon UTC
- Attribute Modification Date – 0xCC2084C9 = 3424683209 = 2012-07-09 12:53:29 Mon UTC
- Access Date – 0xCC4C39CB = 3427547595 = 2012-08-11 16:33:15 Sat UTC
- Backup Date – 0x00000000 = Null Timestamp

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- **Permissions** – 0x000001F500000014000041ED00000001
 - **Owner ID** – 0x000001F5 = 501
 - **Group ID** – 0x00000014 = 20
 - **Admin Flags** – 0x00
 - **Owner Flags** – 0x00
 - **File Mode** – 0x41ED (See decoding below)
 - **Link Count** – 0x00000001 = 1
- **User Information** – 0x00000000000000000000000000000000
- **Finder Information** – 0x000000004FFAD4490000000000000000
- **Text Encoding** - 0x00000000
- **Reserved** – 0x00000000

File Mode Decoding (See tables 15.11-15.13 in File System Forensic Analysis by Brian Carrier):

Example: 0x41ED = 0100000111101101

0100 = 4 = Directory

000 = SetUID, SetGID, Sticky bits

111 = User Permissions = rwx = 7

101 = Group Permissions = r-x = 5

101 = Other Permissions = r-x = 5

Folder Record Example Sanity Check

```
nibble:Exercise 1.3 - HFS+ oompa$ istat -o 40 -z GMT GPT.dmg 27
File Path: /Stuff
Catalog Record: 27
Allocated
Type: Folder
Mode: drwxr-xr-x
Size: 0
uid / gid: 501 / 20
Link count: 1

File Name: Stuff
Admin flags: 0
Owner flags: 0
Text encoding: 0 = MacRoman

Times:
Created: 2012-07-09 12:34:33 (GMT)
Content Modified: 2012-07-09 12:43:09 (GMT)
Attributes Modified: 2012-07-09 12:53:29 (GMT)
Accessed: 2012-08-11 16:33:15 (GMT)
Backed Up: 0000-00-00 00:00:00 (UTC)

Attributes:
```

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Lets check our results by using the `istat` tool by The Sleuth Kit.

Catalog File File Records [248 Bytes]

Size	Field
2 Bytes	Record Type (0x0002)
2 Bytes	Flags
4 Bytes	Reserved
4 Bytes	File ID (CNID)
4 Bytes	Create Date
4 Bytes	Content Modification Date
4 Bytes	Attribute Modification Date
4 Bytes	Access Date
4 Bytes	Backup Date
HFSPlusBSDInfo [16 Bytes]	Permissions
FileInfo [16 Bytes]	User Information
ExtendedFileInfo [10 Bytes]	Finder Information
4 Bytes	Text Encoding
4 Bytes	Reserved
HFSPlusForkData [80 Bytes]	Data Fork
HFSPlusForkData [80 Bytes]	Resource Fork

Size	HFSPlusBSDInfo
4 Bytes	Owner ID
4 Bytes	Group ID
1 Byte	Admin Flags
1 Byte	Owner Flags
2 Bytes	File Mode
4 Bytes	iNode Number or Link Count or Raw Device

The File Records of the Catalog File contain the data shown in the left table above. Each File Record will have the value 0x0002 in the Record Type field. The contents of this record are very similar to the Folder Record.

The File ID contains the CNID of this file.

Each Folder Record contains five dates (HFS+ Timestamp 1/1/1904 00:00:00; in GMT):

- Creation Date – Date and time the file was created
- Content Modification Date – Date and time the content of the file was modified
- Attribute Modification Date – Date and time the Catalog Record for this file was changed
- Access Date – Date and time the contents of the file were accessed
- Backup Date – Date and time the file was backed up. Likely unused.

The User Information and Finder Information fields contain information specific to the Mac OS Finder such as

- Location in Finder window
- If the file is a Bundle or an Alias
- The file's File Type and Creator codes

The table to the right contains the format for HFS+ permissions for the file.

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Resource & Data Forks

Data Fork

- Generally holds data

Resource Fork

- Generally holds resources:
 - Custom Icons
 - Executable Code
 - License Information
 - Preferences
 - Pictures
 - Metadata
 - Compressed Files/Data

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As you may have noticed in the previous slide, the File Record also contains the information about the Data and Resource Forks. This data includes the location and size of each fork.

Mac OS X may use one or both of the forks to contain a file data and metadata.

References:

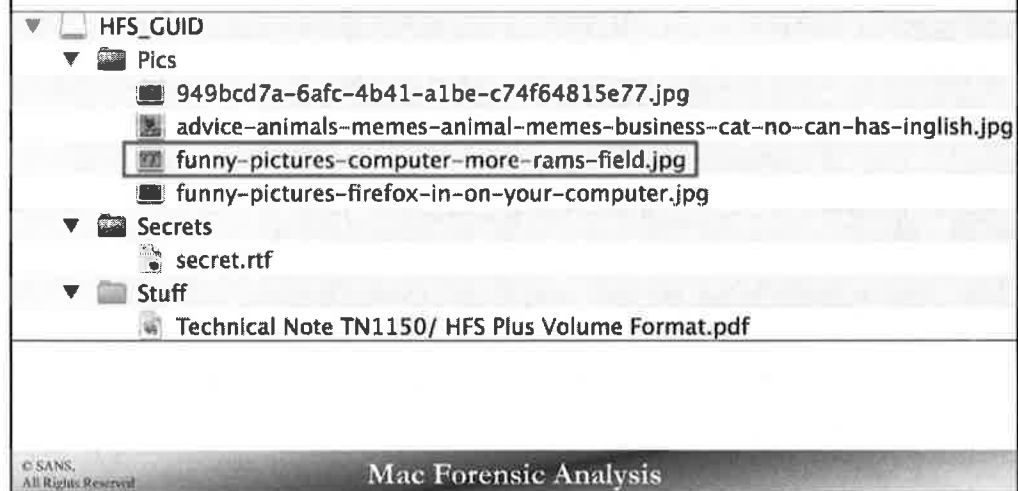
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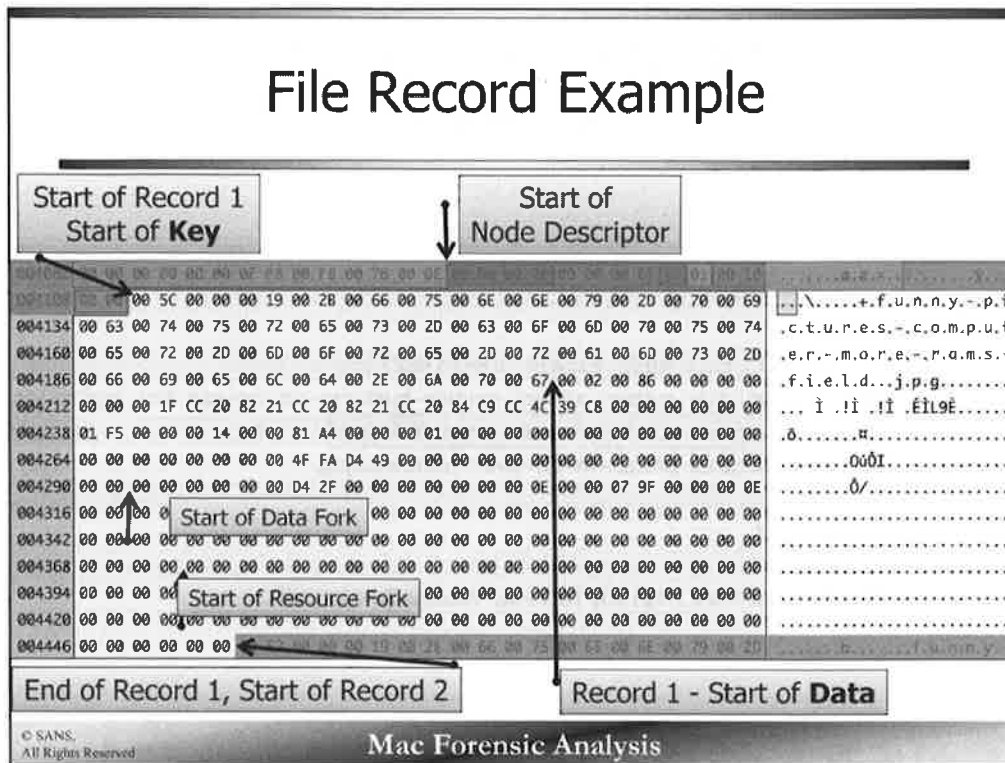
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File Record Example in Finder



In our GPT.dmg example, we are going to be looking at the funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg file located in the Pics directory shown in the screenshot above.



File Record Example: (**Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian**)

KEY:

- Key Length – $0x005C = 92$ bytes
- Key – (Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID)) – $0x00000019 = 25$
- Node Name:
 - Node Size - $0x002B = 43$ (86 bytes Unicode)
 - Node Name –
 $0x00660075006E006E0079002D00700069006300740075007200650073002D0063006F006D00700075007400650072002D006D006F00720065002D00720061006D0073002D006600690065006C0064002E006A00700067 = \text{"funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg"}$

DATA:

- Record Type – $0x0002 = 2 = \text{File Record}$
- Flags – $0x0086$
- Reserved – $0x00000000$
- File ID (CNID) – $0x0000001F = 31$
- Create Date – $0xCC208221 = 3424682529 = 2012-07-09 12:42:09 \text{ Mon UTC}$
- Content Modification Date – $0xCC208221 = 3424682529 = 2012-07-09 12:42:09 \text{ Mon UTC}$
- Attribute Modification Date – $0xCC2084C9 = 3424683209 = 2012-07-09 12:53:29 \text{ Mon UTC}$
- Access Date – $0xCC4C39C8 = 3427547592 = 2012-08-11 16:33:12 \text{ Sat UTC}$
- Backup Date – $0x00000000 = \text{Null Timestamp}$

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File Record Example

Sanity Check

```
nibble:Exercise 1.3 - HFS+ ompa$ istat -o 40 -2 GMT GPT.dmg 31
File Path: /Pics/funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg
Catalog Record: 31
Allocated
Type: File
Mode: rwr-r--r--
Size: 54319
uid / gid: 501 / 20
Link count: 1

File Name: funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg
Admin flags: 0
Owner flags: 0
Has extended attributes
File type: 6000
File creator: 0000
Text encoding: 0 = MacRoman
Resource fork size: 0

Times:
Created: 2012-07-09 12:42:09 (GMT)
Content Modified: 2012-07-09 12:42:09 (GMT)
Attributes Modified: 2012-07-09 12:53:29 (GMT)
Accessed: 2012-08-11 16:33:12 (GMT)
Backed Up: 8888-00-00 00:00:00 (UTC)

Data Fork Blocks:
1951-1964

Attributes:
Type: ExATTR (4354-2) Name: com.apple.metadata:kMDItemWhereFroms Resident size: 197
Type: ExATTR (4354-3) Name: com.apple.quarantine Resident size: 89
Type: DATA (4352-0) Name: DATA Non-Resident size: 54319 init size: 54319
```

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Let's check our results by using the `istat` tool by The Sleuth Kit.

Catalog File File or Folder Thread Records

Size	Field
2 Bytes	Record Type (0x0003) – Folder Thread Record (0x0004) – File Thread Record
2 Bytes	Reserved
4 Bytes	Parent ID (CNID)
HFSUniStr255	Node Name (File or Folder Name) 2 Bytes – Length <=255 Unicode Name

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The Folder and File Thread Records in the Catalog File are used to associate a file or folder to the parent folder's CNID. These records can be remembered as using a thread to sew together a file or folder with its parent directory.

Each File or Folder Thread Record contains:

- The record type will be either 0x0003 or 0x0004 for folder or file, respectively.
- The CNID of the file/folder parent directory.
- The Node Name which is the name of the file or folder in Unicode.

References:

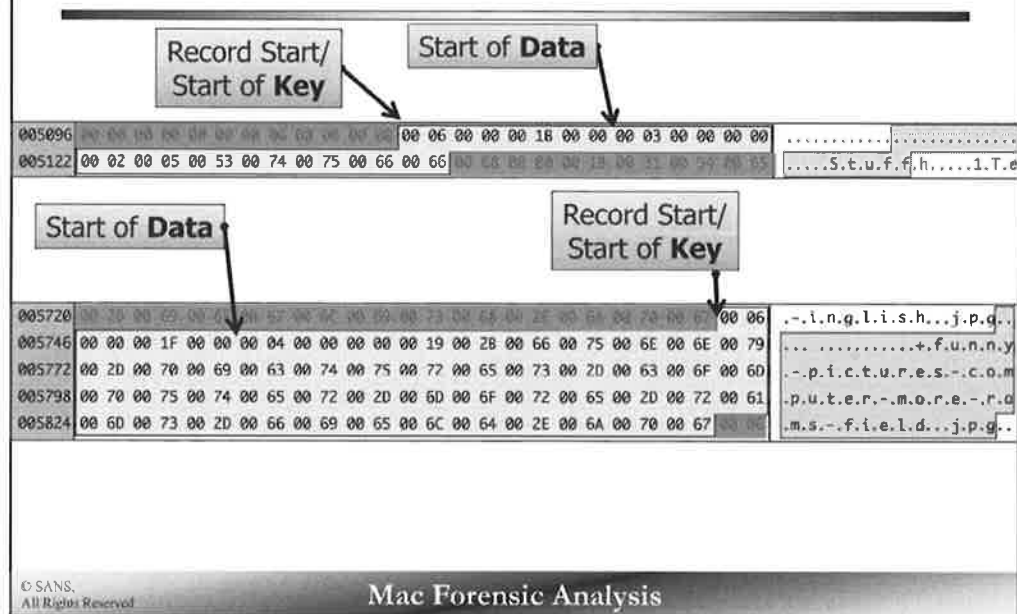
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Folder & File Thread Record Examples



In this example we will be looking at the folder and file examples that we analyzed previously.

Folder Thread Record Example: (**Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian**)

Top Example:

KEY:

- Key Length – 0x0006 = 6 bytes
- Key – (Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID)) – 0x0000001B = 27
- Data – 0x0000 (Will be “blank” for Thread Records)

DATA:

- Record Type – 0x0003 = 3 = Folder Thread Record
- Reserved – 0x0000
- Parent CNID – 0x00000002 = 2
- Node Name:
 - Node Size – 0x0005 = 5 (10 Unicode bytes)
 - Node Name – “Stuff”

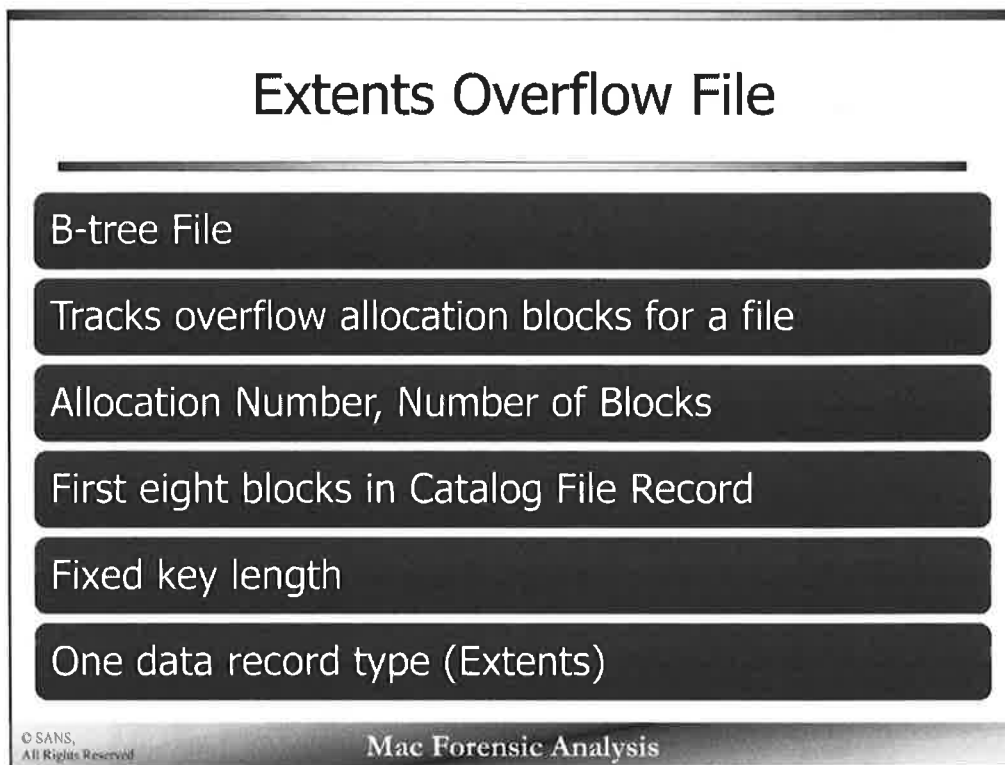
Bottom Example:

KEY:

- Key Length – 0x0006 = 6 bytes
- Key – (Parent Catalog Node ID (CNID)) – 0x0000001F = 31
- Data – 0x0000 (Will be “blank” for Thread Records)

DATA:

- Record Type – $0x0004 = 3$ = File Thread Record
- Reserved – $0x0000$
- Parent CNID – $0x00000019 = 25$
- Node Name:
 - Node Size – $0x002B = 43$ (86 Unicode bytes)
 - Node Name – “funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg”



The Extents Overflow File is another B-tree formatted file. This file tracks the overflow allocation extents that could not fit into the Catalog File Records.

The Catalog File holds the location and size of the first eight extents of a file (eight for each fork), all others will be located in the Extents Overflow File.

The Extents Overflow File uses only one Data Record type.

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Extents Overflow File Key & Data Records

Size	Field	Value	Fork Type
2 Bytes	Key Length	0x00	Data Fork
1 Byte	Fork Type	0xFF	Resource Fork
1 Byte	Pad		
4 Bytes	File ID (CNID)		
4 Bytes	Start Block		

Size	Field (For Each Extent)
4 Bytes	Start Block
4 Bytes	Block Count

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The Key Record for the Extents Overflow File contains:

- Key Length
- Fork Type - 0x00 for Data or 0xFF for Resource
- Padding
- Catalog Node ID
- Start Block – The block in the file where this extent group starts. (The first eight file extents are in the Catalog File.)

The Data Record will contain extent records containing a Start Block and a Block Count. There may be multiple extents, thus multiple Data Records.

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Extents Overflow File Example (...a very fragmented file...)

000	00 00 00 00	00 00 00 12	FF 01 00 2B	00 00 00 0A+...
016	00 00 00 5D	EC 80 00 00	00 0D 02 CF	EF CD 00 00	...]
032	00 01 02 CF	EF D0 00 00	00 02 02 CF	EF D9 00 00	.....
048	00 02 02 CF	EF DD 00 00	00 01 02 CF	F0 07 00 00	.....
064	00 01 02 CF	F0 1B 00 00	00 01 02 CF	F0 1D 00 00	.....
080	00 01 02 CF	F0 41 00 00	00 03 00 0A	00 00 00 5D	....A.....]
096	EC 80 00 00	00 19 02 CF	F8 B3 00 00	00 02 02 CF	.....
112	F8 B7 00 00	00 01 02 CF	F8 B9 00 00	00 01 02 CF	.....
128	F8 BB 00 00	00 01 02 CF	F8 BE 00 00	00 01 02 CF	.....
144	F8 CE 00 00	00 01 02 CF	F8 D1 00 00	00 02 02 CF
160	F8 DB 00 00	00 01 00 0A	00 00 00 5D	EC 80 00 00]

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Extents Overflow Example: (**Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian**)

(Remember: The first 14 bytes are Node Descriptor) The first record is the highlighted section.

KEY:

- Key Length – 0x000A = 10 bytes
- Fork Type – 0x00 = Data Fork
- Pad – 0x00
- File ID (CNID) – 0x005DEC80 = 6155392
- Start Block – 0x0000000D = 13 (this block count is 13 blocks after the first eight extents in the File Record)

DATA:

- Extent 1 – Start Block – 0x02CFEFCF = 47181773
- Extent 1 – Block Count – 0x00000001 = 1
- Extent 2 – Start Block – 0x02CFEFD0 = 47181776
- Extent 2 – Block Count – 0x00000002 = 2
- Extent 3 – Start Block – 0x02CFEFD9 = 47181785
- Extent 3 – Block Count – 0x00000002 = 2
- Extent 4 – Start Block – 0x02CFEFD0 = 47181789
- Extent 4 – Block Count – 0x00000001 = 1
- Extent 5 – Start Block – 0x02CFF007 = 47181831
- Extent 5 – Block Count – 0x00000001 = 1
- Extent 6 – Start Block – 0x02CFF01B = 47181851
- Extent 6 – Block Count – 0x00000001 = 1
- Extent 7 – Start Block – 0x02CFF01D = 47181853
- Extent 7 – Block Count – 0x00000001 = 1
- Extent 8 – Start Block – 0x02CFF041 = 47181889
- Extent 8 – Block Count – 0x00000003 = 3

Attributes File

- B-tree File
- Variable Key Length
- Three Record Types
 - **Inline Attributes**
 - Fork Data Attributes
 - Extension Attributes

Size	Field
2 bytes	Key Length
2 bytes	Pad
4 bytes	File ID (CNID)
4 bytes	Start Block
2 bytes	Attribute Name Length
Variable	Attribute Name

Value	Record Type
0x00000010	Inline Data Attribute
0x00000020	Fork Data Attribute
0x00000030	Extension Attribute

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The Attributes File is yet another B-tree structured file. To show the age of TN1150, the Attributes File section states “*the structure of the keys in the attribute B-tree has not been finalized and is subject to change*”. The layout of the Key for the Attributes files was found in another favorite Mac source, the Mac OS X Internals book by Amit Singh. This book, while published in 2007, still proves to be a helpful (sometimes dated) resource for Mac forensics.

The Key Record for the Attributes File is comprised of the following fields:

- Key Length
- Pad
- File ID (CNID)
- Start Block (unused for Inline Attributes)
- Attribute Name Length
- Attribute Name

This file uses three types of Data Records. While there are three types, recent versions of OS X are using Inline Attributes.

- Inline Data Attributes
- Fork Data Attributes
- Extension Attributes

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Inline Attributes - Data Record

Size	Field
4 bytes	Record Type (0x00000010)
8 bytes	Reserved
4 bytes	Attribute Size
Variable: Stored in single B-tree record	Attribute Data

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By far the most populous Data Record in the Attributes File is the Inline Attribute Data Record. TN1150, again showing its age, described this data record as “*reserved for future use*”.

Discussed later on in the course is Extended Attributes, which is where you will find these type of file metadata. An example of Extended Attributes is the `com.apple.quarantine` attribute. This attribute contains file quarantine information such as when the file was downloaded, what program was used to download the file, etc.

The Inline Attribute Data Record consists of the following fields:

- Record Type (0x00000010)
- Reserved
- Attribute Size
- Attribute Data

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Attributes File Examples

Two Extended Attributes

```
nibble:Exercise 1.3 ~ HFS+ compaq$ lsstat -o 40 -z GMT GPT.dmg 31
File Path: /Pics/funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg
Catalog Record: 31
Allocated
Type: File
Mode: rwx-r--r--
Size: 54319
uid / gid: 501 / 20
Link count: 1

File Name: funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg
Admin flags: 0
Owner flags: 0
Has extended attributes
File type: 0000
File creator: 0000
Text encoding: 0 = MacRoman
Resource fork size: 0

Times:
Created: 2012-07-09 12:42:00 (GMT)
Content Modified: 2012-07-09 12:42:00 (GMT)
Attributes Modified: 2012-07-09 12:53:29 (GMT)
Accessed: 2012-08-11 16:33:12 (GMT)
Backed Up: 0000-00-00 00:00:00 (UTC)

Data Fork Blocks:
1951-1964

Attributes:
Type: ExATTR (4354-2) Name: com.apple.metadata:KMDItemWhereFroms Resident size: 197
Type: ExATTR (4354-3) Name: com.apple.quarantine Resident size: 89
Type: DATA (4352-0) Name: DATA Non-Resident size: 54319 init size: 54319
```

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We will be looking at the extended attributes from the funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg example.

This file has two extended attributes:

- com.apple.metadata:KMDItemWhereFroms
- com.apple.quarantine

Attributes File Example [1]		com.apple.metadata:kMDItemWhereFroms	
		Record Start/Start of Key	
009130	5F 6D 65 00	00 54 00 00 00 00 00 00 1F 00 00 00 00 00 24 00 63 00 6F	ome..T.....\$.c.o
009152	00 6D 00 2E 00 61 00 70 00 70 00 6C 00 65 00 2E 00 6D 00 65 00 74		.m...a.p.p.l.e...m.e.t
009174	00 61 00 64 00 61 00 74 00 61 00 3A 00 68 00 4D 00 44 00 49 00 74		.a.d.a.t.a.:.k.M.D.I.t
009196	00 65 00 6D 00 57 00 68 00 65 00 72 00 65 00 46 00 72 00 6F 00 6D		.e.m.W.h.e.r.e.F.r.o.m
009218	00 73 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C5 62 70 6C 69		.s.....Abpli
009240	73 74 50 30 A2 01 02 5F 10 61 68 74 74 70 3A 2F 2F 69 63 61 6E 68		st00\$...ahttp://icanh
009262	61 73 63 68 65 65 7A 62 75 72 67 65 72 2F 66 69 6C 65 73 2F 77 6F		ascheezburger.files.wa
009284	72 64 70 72 65 73 73 2E 63 6F 6D 2F 32 30 30 38 2F 30 33 2F 66 75		rdpress.com/2008/03/fu
009306	6E 6E 79 2D 70 69 63 74 75 72 65 73 2D 63 6F 6D 70 75 74 65 72 2D		nny-pictures-computer-
009328	6D 6F 72 65 2D 72 61 6D 73 2D 66 69 65 6C 64 2E 6A 70 67 5F 10 30		more-rams-field.jpg..0
009350	68 74 74 70 3A 2F 2F 69 63 61 6E 68 61 73 63 68 65 65 7A 62 75 72		http://icanhascheezbur
009372	67 65 72 2E 63 6F 6D 2F 70 61 67 65 2F 33 2F 3F 73 3D 63 6F 6D 70		ger.com/page/3/?s=comp
009394	75 74 65 72 08 08 6F 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00		uter. o.....
009416	03 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 A2 70 00 34 00 00	tp.4..
		Start of Data	
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Attribute File Example: (**Note: HFS+ data uses big-endian**)

These extended attributes are from the funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg example.

Attribute 1:

KEY:

- Key Length – 0x0054 = 84 bytes
- Pad – 0x0000
- File ID (CNID) – 0x0000001F = 31
- Start Block – 0x00000000 = 0
- Attribute Name Length – 0x0024 = 36 bytes (72 bytes Unicode)
- Attribute Name – “com.apple.metadata:kMDItemWhereFroms”

DATA:

- Record Type – 0x00000010 – Inline Attribute
- Reserved – 0x0000000000000000
- Attribute Size – 0x000000C5 = 197 bytes
- Attribute Data Binary Property List containing information where this picture was downloaded from.0x62706C6973743030A201025F1061687474703A2F2F6963616E686173636865657A6275726765722E66696C65732E776F726470726573732E636F6D2F323030382F303332F66756E6E792D70696374757265732D636F6D70757465722D6D6F72652D72616D732D6669656C642E6A70675F1030687474703A2F2F6963616E686173636865657A6275726765722E636F6D2F706167652F332F3F733D636F6D7075746572080B6F0000000000000101000000000000003000000000000000000000000000000000A270

Record Start/Start of **Key**

009416	00 00 00 1F 00 00 00 00 14 00 63 00 6F 00 6D 00 2E 00 61 00 70	.....p.4..
009438	00 70 00 6C 00 65 00 2E 00 71 00 75 00 61 00 72 00 61 00 6E 00 74	.....c.o.m...a.p
009460	00 69 00 6E 00 65 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 59	.p.l.e...q.u.a.r.a.n.t
009482	30 30 30 31 38 34 66 66 61 64 31 61 34 38 47 6F 6F 67 6C 65 5C 78	.i.n.e.....Y
009504	32 30 43 68 72 6F 6D 65 2E 61 70 70 3B 34 45 43 32 43 34 33 30 2D	0001;4ffad1a4;GoogleX
009526	34 46 38 43 2D 34 33 41 44 2D 41 37 43 37 2D 34 41 35 34 46 32 43	20Chrome.app;4EC2C430-
009548	33 43 38 33 41 7C 63 6F 6D 2E 67 6F 6F 67 6C 65 2E 43 68 72 6F 6D	4F8C-43AD-A7C7-4A54F2C
009570	65 68	3C83A com.google.Chrom
009592		ek.T.....\$.c.o.m

- **Start of Data**

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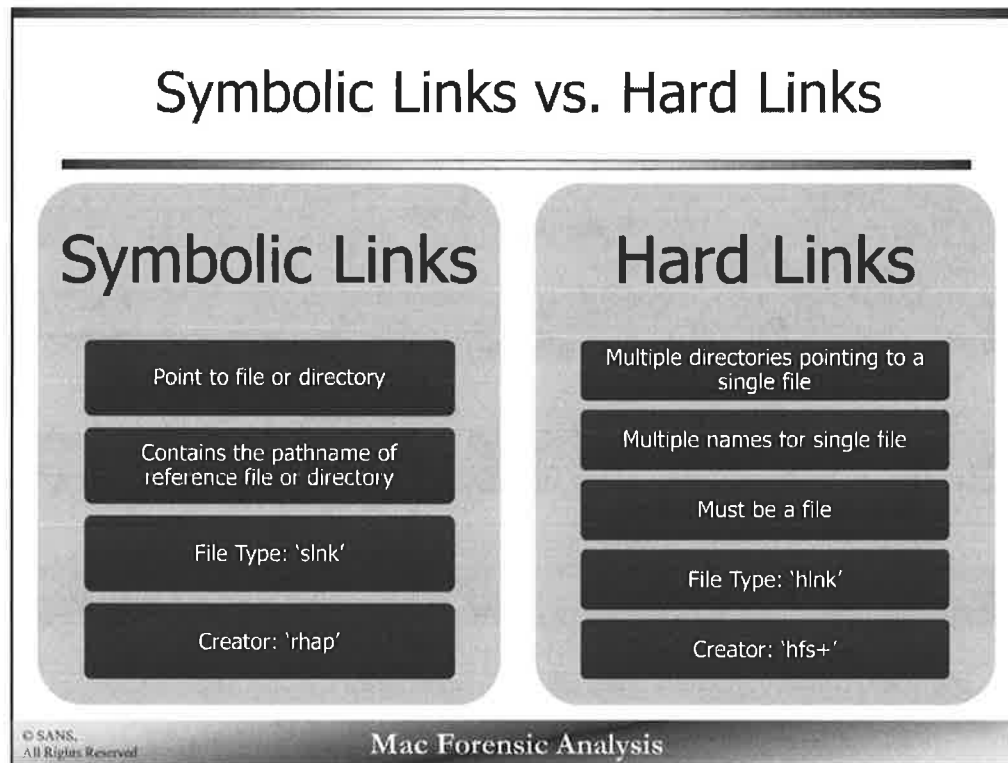
These extended attributes are from the funny-pictures-computer-more-rams-field.jpg example.

KEY:

- Key Length – 0x0034 = 52 bytes
- Pad – 0x0000
- File ID (CNID) – 0x00000001F = 31
- Start Block – 0x000000000 = 0
- Attribute Name Length – 0x0014 = 20 bytes (40 bytes Unicode)
- Attribute Name – “com.apple.quarantine”

- Record Type – 0x00000010 – Inline Attribute
- Reserved – 0x0000000000000000
- Attribute Size – 0x00000059 = 89 bytes
- Attribute Data – “0001;4ffad1a4;Google\chrome.app;4EC2C430-4F8C-43AD-A7C7-4A54F2C3C83A|com.google.Chrome”

Symbolic Links vs. Hard Links



Mac OS X uses two types of links, Hard and Symbolic.

Hard links are used to have multiple directories point to a single file, so there can be multiple names for a single file. Hard links can only be used on a file. Hard link files will have a file type of 'hlnk' and a creator code of 'hfs+'.

Symbolic Links are used to point to a file or directory and can be used on a file or a directory. Symbolic links have a file type of 'slnk' and a creator code of 'rhap'. These are shown in the terminal as follows:

```
lrwxr-xr-x@ 1 root wheel      11 Jul 15 22:20 etc -> private/etc
lrwxr-xr-x@ 1 root wheel      11 Jul 15 22:21 tmp -> private/tmp
lrwxr-xr-x@ 1 root wheel      11 Jul 15 22:21 var -> private/var
```

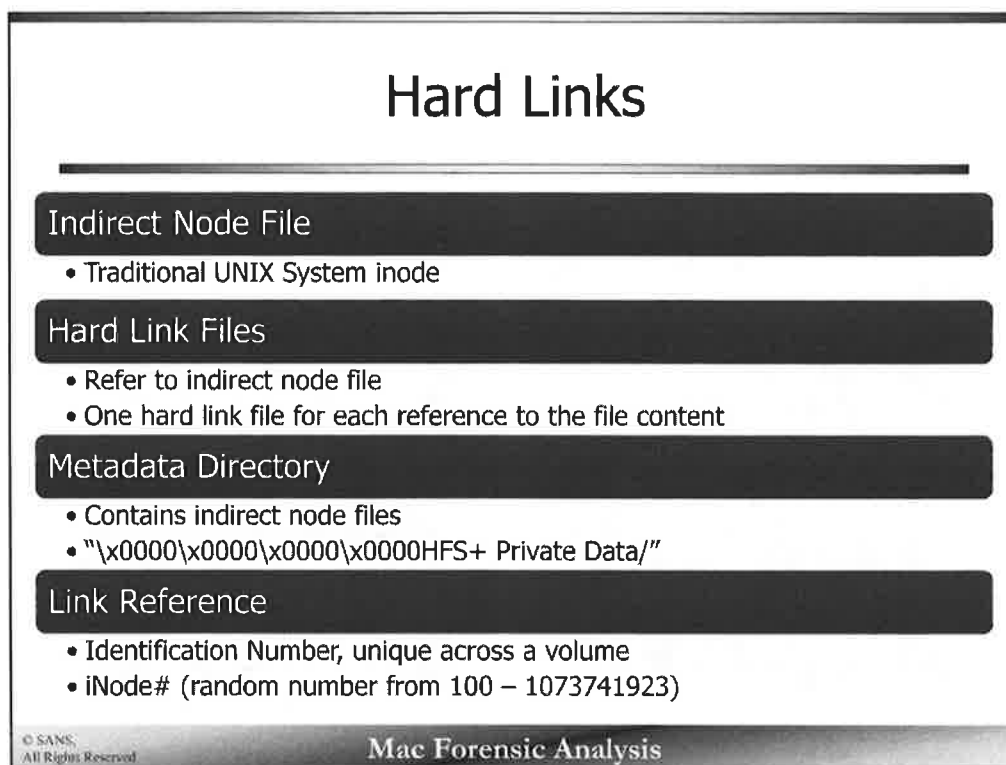
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Hard links use an Indirect Node File to store the actual file data of the hard link, making it similar to an inode in a Unix-based system.

Hard Link Files are used to point to an Indirect Node File, one for each directory that references the file content.

You may have noticed the strange directory in the root of the volume called “^^^^HFS+ Private Data/”, where the caret is a null. This is the Metadata Directory. This directory contains multiple files with the filename “iNode” and some number. These files are the Indirect Node Files. The number after “iNode” is the link reference number. This number is randomly chosen from 100-1073741923. The link reference number is not the same as the files Catalog Node ID number.

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HFS+ Journal

Journal Info Block File

- `.journal_info_block`
- Root of the volume
- Contains size and location of Journal Header and Buffer

Journal File

- `.journal`
- Root of the volume
- Contains journal header and buffer

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HFS+ can implement the journaling feature, but is not required. Most Mac OS X installations do, by default, install on HFS+ with journaling enabled.

The journal can be used to restore the file system to a safe state if the volume suffered a crash or was otherwise unmounted ungracefully.

The journal consists of two files, both of which are located in the root of the volume and have the hidden file attribute set.

- `.journal_info_block`
- `.journal`

The Journal Info Block file contains the size and location of the journal header and buffer.

The Journal contains the journal header and buffer. The journal header contains transaction information. The journal buffer holds transactions.

The layout and structure of the journal files will not be covered in this class, however it is detailed in TN1150.

G-C Partners has created a journal parser called “Triforce AHJP HFS+ Journal Parse” is available at <https://www.gettriforce.com/product/hfs-journal-parser/>.

References:

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Mounting Disk Images

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Method 1 - xmount

```
1. $ mkdir /Volumes/dademurphy_image/
2. $ mkdir /Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/
3. $ sudo xmount --in ewf --out dmg
   ~/FOR518/dademurphy.E01 /Volumes/dademurphy_image/
4. $ hdiutil attach -nomount
   /Volumes/dademurphy_image/dademurphy.dmg
5. $ mount_hfs -j -o rdonly,noexec,noowners /dev/disk#
   /Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/
```

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The first method to mount an image file is to use the `xmount` command from www.penguin.lu/index.php.

1. Use the `mkdir` command to create a mount point for the `xmount` output. In this class the directory name `dademurphy_image` is used because it will just host the image file.
2. Use the `mkdir` command to create a mount point for the mounted drive. The directory `dademurphy_mounted` is used in this class to represent the mounted disk image.
3. Uses `xmount` to mount the `dademurphy.e01` image (where you have your image located, the example shows `~/FOR518`) as a DMG file. This command requires you to use the `sudo` command, thus it will ask you for your administrator password when executed.
 - `--in` – Tells `xmount` what input file type to expect, our images are in a compressed EWF format.
 - `--out` – Tells `xmount` what output format you want, we want a DMG file so we can mount it in Finder.
 - Input File – Where the image file is located.
 - Mount Point – Newly created specifically for this image.
4. Uses the `hdiutil` command with the “attach” verb to mount the newly created DMG volume so it is available in Finder and Terminal application. Use the `-nomount` argument to suppress mounting (for now). The output from this command will display a `/dev/disk#`, use the appropriate disk device in the next command.
5. Use the `mount_hfs` command with the following parameters to mount the `/dev/disk#` (from the previous command) to the `/Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/` mount point. This drive will now be available in the Finder or Terminal applications.
 - j – Ignore the journal
 - o – Options:
 - `rdonly` – Mount in read-only mode.
 - `noexec` – Do not allow execution of binaries on mounted system.
 - `noowners` – Ignore ownership on the mounted volume.

You can access this newly created mounted drive on `/Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/`.

Method 2 - ewfmount

```
1. $ mkdir /Volumes/dademurphy_image/
2. $ mkdir /Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/
3. $ ewfmount ~/FOR518/dademurphy.E01
   /Volumes/dademurphy_image/
4. $ ln -s /Volumes/dademurphy_image/ewf1
   ~/FOR518/dadeimage.dmg
5. $ hdiutil attach -nomount ~/FOR518/dadeimage.dmg
6. $ mount_hfs -j -o rdonly,noexec,noowners /dev/disk#
   /Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/
```

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It can never hurt to have more than one way to mount an image. A second way uses the `ewfmount` command from the `libewf` package available at code.google.com/p/libewf/.

1. Use the `mkdir` command to create a mount point for the `ewfmount` output. The directory name `dademurphy_image` is used in the example.
2. Use the `mkdir` command again to create a mount point for the mounted disk image, the example `dademurphy_mounted` in used the example above.
3. Use `ewfmount` to mount the `dademurphy.e01` image to the `/Volumes/dadmurphy_image/` mount point.
4. Use the `ln -s` command to create a symbolic link for the `ewf1` file, name the link `dadeimage.dmg`. (A DMG file is needed for `hdiutil` to recognize the file.)
5. Uses the `hdiutil` command with the “attach” verb to mount the newly created DMG volume so it is available in Finder and Terminal application. Use the `-nomount` argument to suppress mounting (for now). The output from this command will display a `/dev/disk#`, use the appropriate disk device in the next command.
6. Use the `mount_hfs` command with the following parameters to mount the `/dev/disk#` (from the previous command) to the `/Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/` mount point. This drive will now be available in the Finder or Terminal applications.
 - j – Ignore the journal
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 - `noowners` – Ignore ownership on the mounted volume.

You can access this newly created mounted drive on `/Volumes/dademurphy_mounted/`.

Disk Eject & Unmount

```
1. $ diskutil list
2. $ diskutil eject /dev/disk*
3. $ mount
4. $ umount /Volumes/dademurphy_image/
```

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The disk images should stay mounted and available until you reboot or until you eject/unmount them.

When you are finished with the mounted images, you will need to eject and unmount them.

1. Use the `diskutil list` command to view the list of mounted disks. Find the disk that you want to eject.
2. Use the `diskutil eject` command on the disk you would like to eject. (This may also be done by pressing the eject button in the Finder application.)
3. Use the `mount` command to view the list of mounted disks. Find the disk that you want to unmount (likely `/Volumes/dademurphy_image/`, if you following the naming scheme from the examples.)
4. Use the `umount` command with the mount point to unmount the disk. A troublesome disk may have to be unmounted using the `-f` option, to forcibly unmount the disk.

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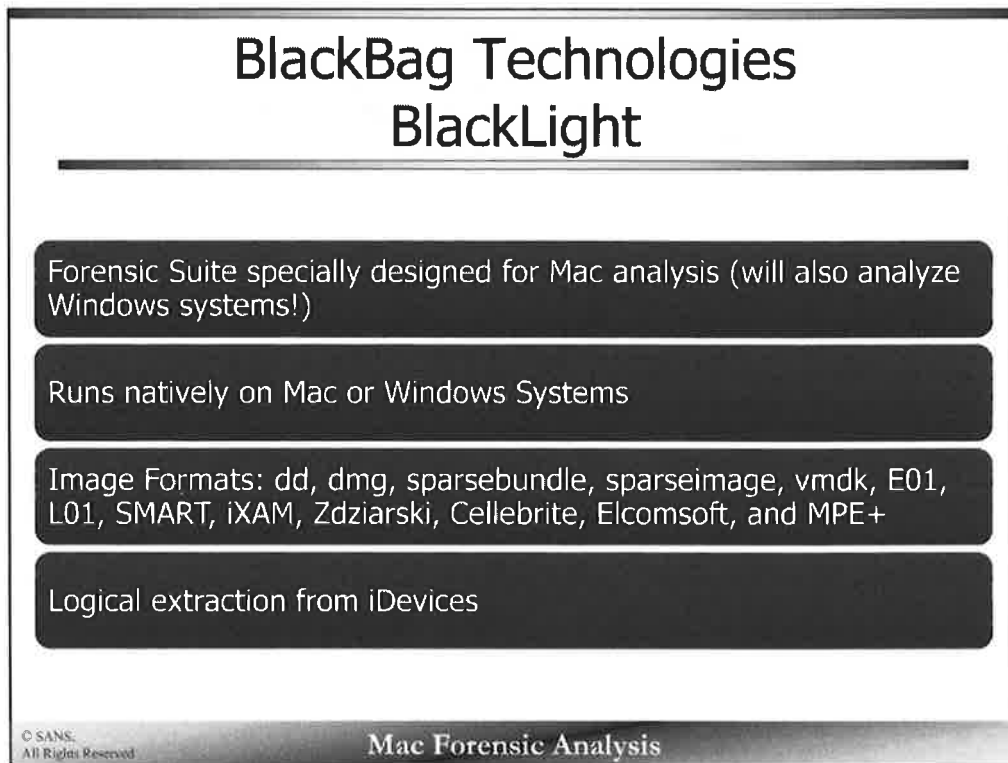
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BlackLight 101

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We will be using the BlackLight forensic suite in class for some of the labs; however, it will be available during the whole of the class via the Network License Server running on your instructor's laptop.

The suite runs natively on both Mac and Windows-based systems (normally with a USB dongle, or a Network License server setup at your agency).

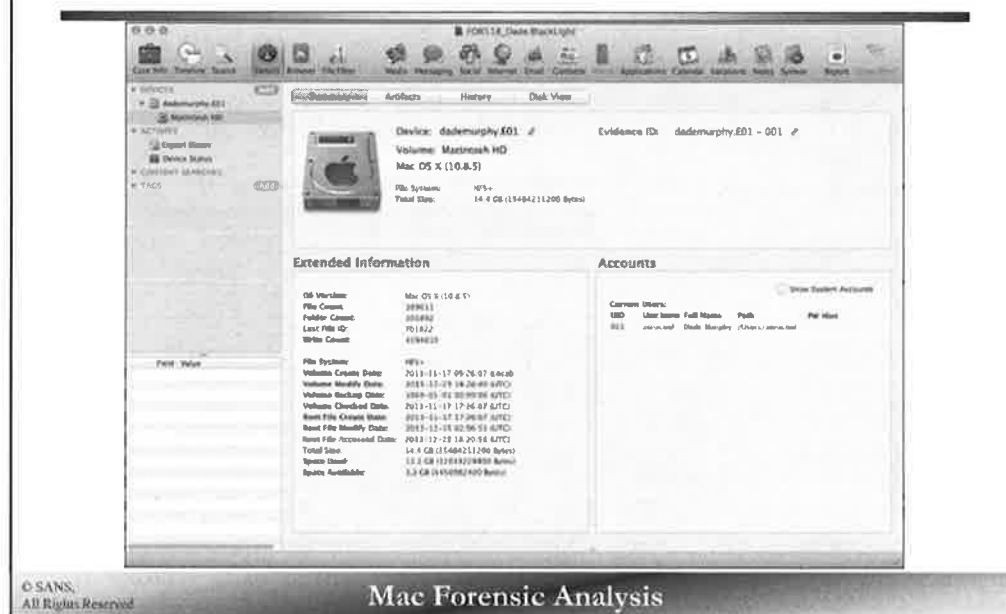
Along with the cross-platform capabilities– the software can also analyze Mac and Windows file systems – this is convenient when a system has been Boot Camped.

Most disk image formats are accepted as well as many from the most popular iDevice acquisition suites.

While BlackLight is not an acquisition tool (MacQuisition is used for acquisition), it is able to acquire a logical extraction from iDevices.

The BlackLight software is available from BlackBag Technologies, blackbagtech.com.

BlackLight Details Tab



By selecting the Macintosh HD drive under the DEVICES section, we can view the disk Details tab.

The information in this “Summary” window includes file system specifics and user accounts.

You may select and explore the other tabs, “Artifacts”, “History”, and “Disk View”.

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BlackLight Search Tab



The Search tab allows an investigator to perform keyword searches.

Each keyword list has a Name as filled in the Name textbox. The keywords may be typed in the Keywords pane.

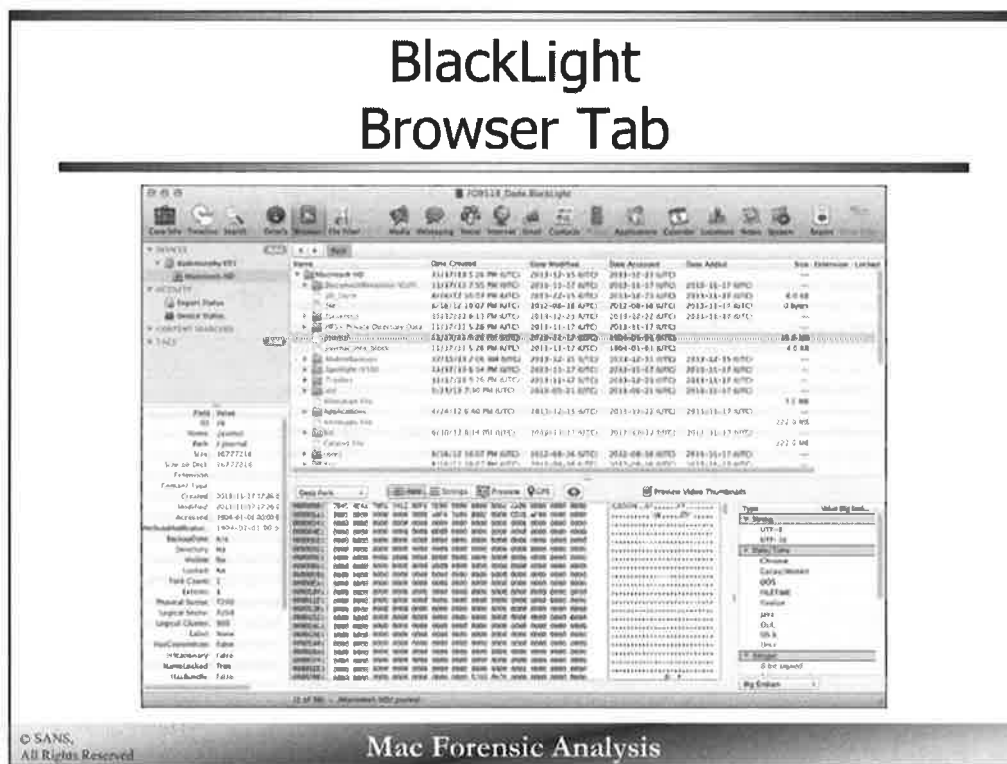
File extensions may be ignored, but typing them into the Ignore Extensions pane. Other keyword configurations may be selected in the pane on the right side.

Select “Start Search” when ready search.

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You may select the “Criteria” or “Statistics” tabs for more information pertaining to this particular keyword search.

BlackLight Browser Tab

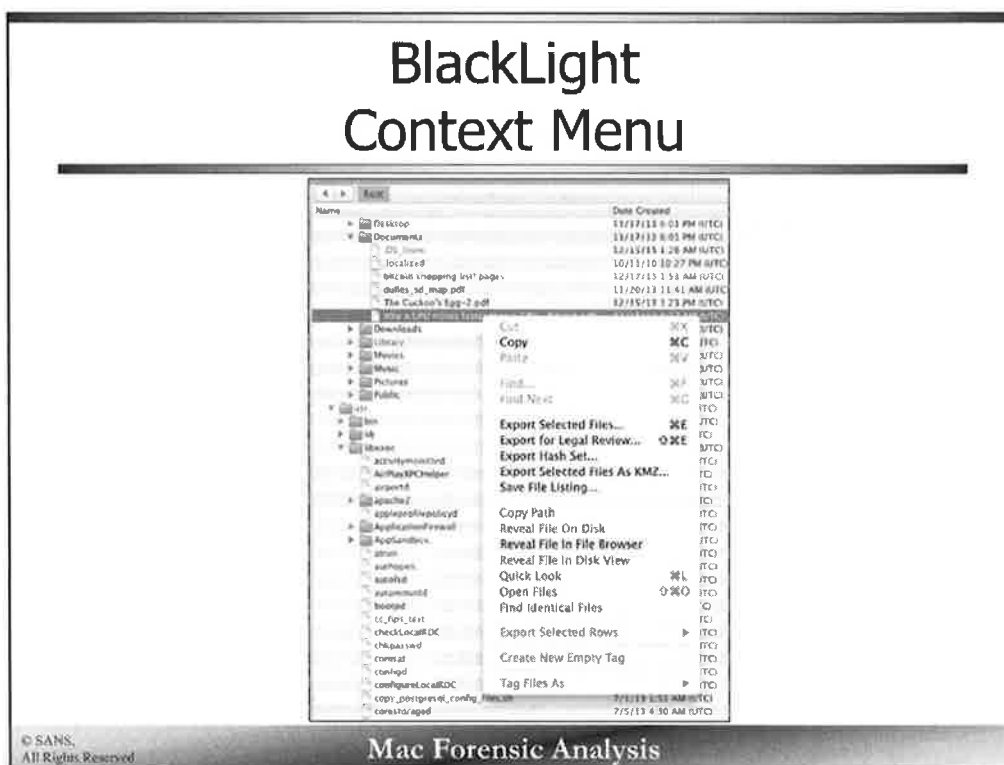


The Browser tab shows the file system as an investigator is most likely used to. This view shows the file system in a tree format with hidden files shown in gray and other file metadata including timestamps and file size.

In the lower pane (the bar may have to be moved up from the bottom of the window) shows the file. The views available include Hex, Strings, Preview, and GPS. An analyst may also select the “eye” shaped button to do a “Quick Look” on the file. The Data and Resource fork may also be chosen. In the Hex view the data-type window on the right will be shown for the analyst to select various data types if conversion is needed.

In the lower-left pane the file metadata and extended attributes are shown. Everything from file size, file name, timestamps, Finder data, disk location, to extended attributes are available in this window. Lots of good information may be found here!

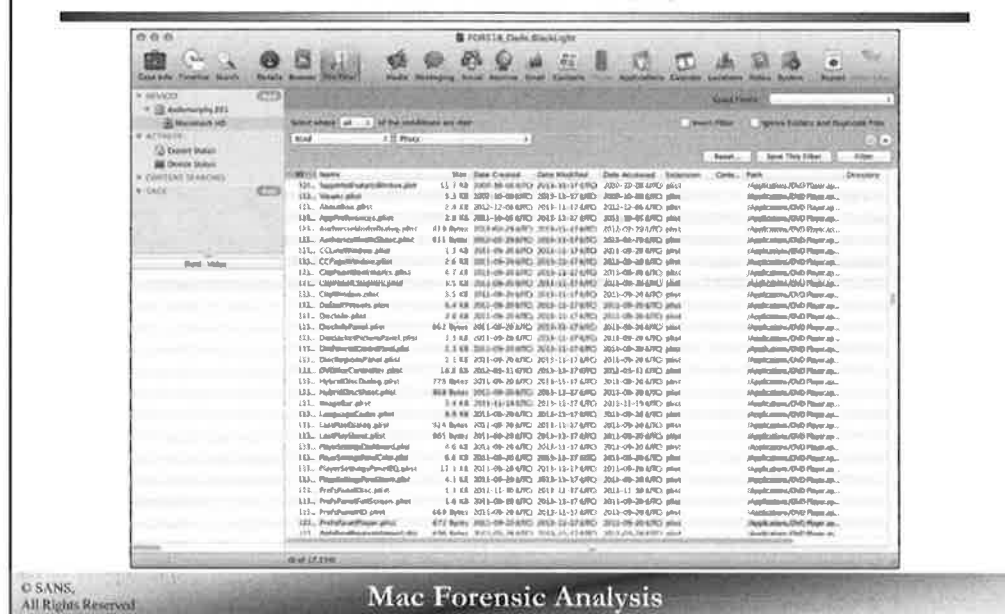
BlackLight Context Menu



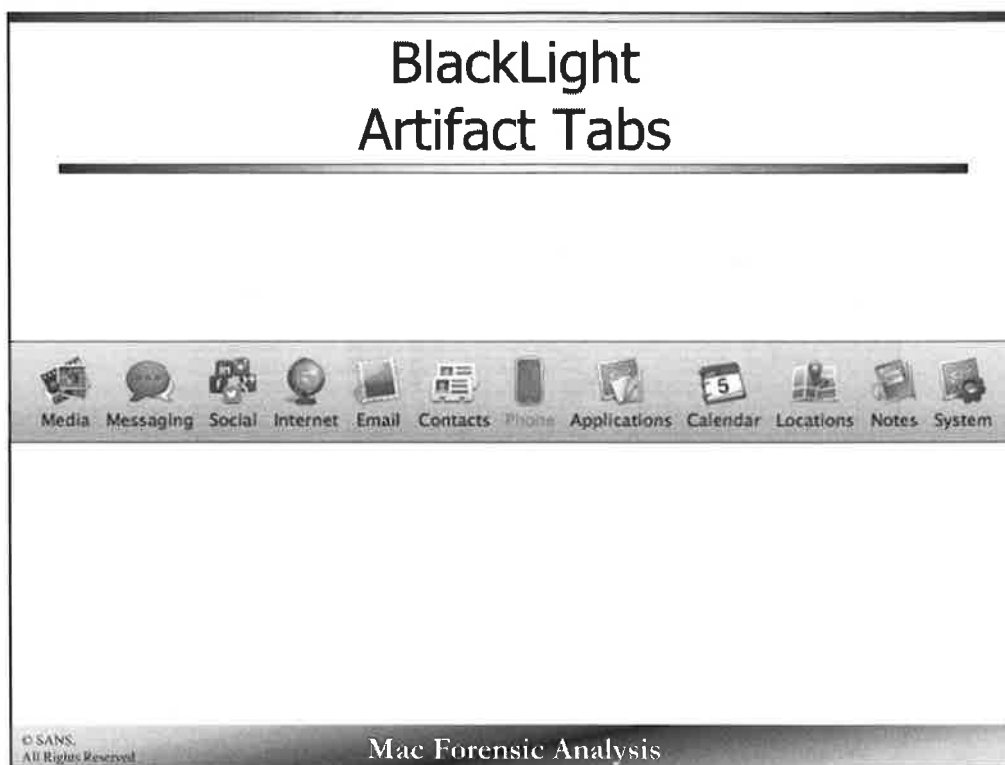
A “right-click” (or two-finger click on a track pad, or control-click) will bring up a context menu as shown above. This menu allows the analyst to perform certain actions such as export information, jump to a file location, or tag a file.

File tagging is similar to bookmarking as seen in other forensic suites. These tags will show up in the left pane under “TAGS”.

BlackLight File Filter Tab



The File Filter tab allows an investigator to select certain files based on some type of data. Whether it is size, file type, or by creation date. Many different combinations can be played with. The author highly recommend spending some time with this feature. It can help you pinpoint specific files quickly.



BlackLight also does some pre-processing when it comes to various popular artifacts. We will be reviewing some of these more in-depth during the course exercises, but you may start reviewing the contents on your own time.



Exercise 1.4 – BlackLight and Image Mounting

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