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Optimize Windows system reliability and performance with Sysinternals IT pros and power users consider the free Windows Sysinternals tools

indispensable for diagnosing, troubleshooting, and deeply understanding the Windows platform. In this extensively updated guide, Sysinternals creator Mark Russinovich and Windows expert Aaron Margosis help you use these powerful tools to optimize any Windows system's reliability, efficiency, performance, and security. The authors first explain Sysinternals' capabilities and help you get started fast. Next, they offer in-depth coverage of each major tool, from Process Explorer and Process Monitor to Sysinternals' security and file utilities. Then, building on this knowledge, they show the tools being used to solve real-world cases involving error messages, hangs, sluggishness, malware infections, and much more. Windows Sysinternals

creator Mark Russinovich and Aaron Margosis show you how to: Use Process Explorer to display detailed process and system information Use Process Monitor to capture low-level system events, and quickly filter the output to narrow down root causes List, categorize, and manage software that starts when you start or sign in to your computer, or when you run Microsoft Office or Internet Explorer Verify digital signatures of files, of running programs, and of the modules loaded in those programs Use Autoruns, Process Explorer, Sigcheck, and Process Monitor features that can identify and clean malware infestations Inspect permissions on files, keys, services, shares, and other objects Use Sysmon to monitor security-relevant events across your network Generate memory dumps

when a process meets specified criteria  
Execute processes remotely, and close files that were opened remotely  
Manage Active Directory objects and trace LDAP API calls  
Capture detailed data about processors, memory, and clocks  
Troubleshoot unbootable devices, file-in-use errors, unexplained communication, and many other problems  
Understand Windows core concepts that aren't well-documented elsewhere

**Malware Forensics Field Guide for Windows Systems** Elsevier

Addresses the legal concerns often encountered on-site --

**Windows Registry Forensics** Elsevier

This book challenges some of the conventional wisdoms on the learning of mathematics. The authors use the computer as a window onto

mathematical meaning-making. The pivot of their theory is the idea of webbing, which explains how someone struggling with a new mathematical idea can draw on supportive knowledge, and reconciles the individual's role in mathematical learning with the part played by epistemological, social and cultural forces.

Practical Windows Forensics Packt Publishing Ltd

The Basics of Digital Forensics provides a foundation for people new to the digital forensics field. This book teaches you how to conduct examinations by discussing what digital forensics is, the methodologies used, key tactical concepts, and the tools needed to perform examinations. Details on digital forensics for computers, networks, cell

phones, GPS, the cloud and the Internet are discussed. Also, learn how to collect evidence, document the scene, and how deleted data can be recovered. The new Second Edition of this book provides you with completely up-to-date real-world examples and all the key technologies used in digital forensics, as well as new coverage of network intrusion response, how hard drives are organized, and electronic discovery. You'll also learn how to incorporate quality assurance into an investigation, how to prioritize evidence items to examine (triage), case processing, and what goes into making an expert witness. The Second Edition also features expanded resources and references, including online resources that keep you current, sample legal documents, and suggested further

reading. Learn what Digital Forensics entails Build a toolkit and prepare an investigative plan Understand the common artifacts to look for in an exam Second Edition features all-new coverage of hard drives, triage, network intrusion response, and electronic discovery; as well as updated case studies, expert interviews, and expanded resources and references

### **Windows Forensic Analysis Toolkit**

Elsevier

Digital Forensics with Open Source Tools is the definitive book on investigating and analyzing computer systems and media using open source tools. The book is a technical procedural guide, and explains the use of open source tools on Mac, Linux and Windows systems as a platform for performing computer

forensics. Both well-known and novel forensic methods are demonstrated using command-line and graphical open source computer forensic tools for examining a wide range of target systems and artifacts. Written by world-renowned forensic practitioners, this book uses the most current examination and analysis techniques in the field. It consists of 9 chapters that cover a range of topics such as the open source examination platform; disk and file system analysis; Windows systems and artifacts; Linux systems and artifacts; Mac OS X systems and artifacts; Internet artifacts; and automating analysis and extending capabilities. The book lends itself to use by students and those entering the field who do not have means to purchase new tools for

different investigations. This book will appeal to forensic practitioners from areas including incident response teams and computer forensic investigators; forensic technicians from legal, audit, and consulting firms; and law enforcement agencies. Written by world-renowned forensic practitioners Details core concepts and techniques of forensic file system analysis Covers analysis of artifacts from the Windows, Mac, and Linux operating systems

**Digital Forensics Basics** John Wiley & Sons

An authoritative guide to investigating high-technology crimes Internet crime is seemingly ever on the rise, making the need for a comprehensive resource on how to investigate these crimes even more dire. This professional-level book--

aimed at law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, and corporate investigators—provides you with the training you need in order to acquire the sophisticated skills and software solutions to stay one step ahead of computer criminals. Specifies the techniques needed to investigate, analyze, and document a criminal act on a Windows computer or network. Places a special emphasis on how to thoroughly investigate criminal activity and how to just perform the initial response. Walks you through ways to present technically complicated material in simple terms that will hold up in court. Features content fully updated for Windows Server 2008 R2 and Windows 7. Covers the emerging field of Windows Mobile forensics. Also included is a classroom support package to ensure academic adoption, Mastering

Windows Network Forensics and Investigation, 2nd Edition offers help for investigating high-technology crimes. Digital Forensics, Investigation, and Response Packt Publishing Ltd. Delve inside Windows architecture and internals—and see how core components work behind the scenes. Led by three renowned internals experts, this classic guide is fully updated for Windows 7 and Windows Server 2008 R2—and now presents its coverage in two volumes. As always, you get critical insider perspectives on how Windows operates. And through hands-on experiments, you'll experience its internal behavior firsthand—knowledge you can apply to improve application design, debugging, system performance, and support. In Part 1, you will: Understand how core

system and management mechanisms work—including the object manager, synchronization, Wow64, Hyper-V, and the registry Examine the data structures and activities behind processes, threads, and jobs Go inside the Windows security model to see how it manages access, auditing, and authorization Explore the Windows networking stack from top to bottom—including APIs, BranchCache, protocol and NDIS drivers, and layered services Dig into internals hands-on using the kernel debugger, performance monitor, and other tools

System Forensics, Investigation and Response Academic Press

Linux Malware Incident Response is a "first look" at the Malware Forensics Field Guide for Linux Systems, exhibiting the first steps in investigating Linux-

based incidents. The Syngress Digital Forensics Field Guides series includes companions for any digital and computer forensic investigator and analyst. Each book is a "toolkit" with checklists for specific tasks, case studies of difficult situations, and expert analyst tips. This compendium of tools for computer forensics analysts and investigators is presented in a succinct outline format with cross-references to supplemental appendices. It is designed to provide the digital investigator clear and concise guidance in an easily accessible format for responding to an incident or conducting analysis in a lab. Presented in a succinct outline format with cross-references to included supplemental components and appendices Covers volatile data collection methodology as

well as non-volatile data collection from a live Linux system Addresses malware artifact discovery and extraction from a live Linux system

### Windows on Mathematical Meanings

Apress

Become well-versed with forensics for the Android, iOS, and Windows 10 mobile platforms by learning essential techniques and exploring real-life scenarios Key FeaturesApply advanced forensic techniques to recover deleted data from mobile devicesRetrieve and analyze data stored not only on mobile devices but also on the cloud and other connected mediumsUse the power of mobile forensics on popular mobile platforms by exploring different tips, tricks, and techniquesBook Description Mobile phone forensics is the science of

retrieving data from a mobile phone under forensically sound conditions. This updated fourth edition of Practical Mobile Forensics delves into the concepts of mobile forensics and its importance in today's world. The book focuses on teaching you the latest forensic techniques to investigate mobile devices across various mobile platforms. You will learn forensic techniques for multiple OS versions, including iOS 11 to iOS 13, Android 8 to Android 10, and Windows 10. The book then takes you through the latest open source and commercial mobile forensic tools, enabling you to analyze and retrieve data effectively. From inspecting the device and retrieving data from the cloud, through to successfully documenting reports of your investigations, you'll explore new



techniques while building on your practical knowledge. Toward the end, you will understand the reverse engineering of applications and ways to identify malware. Finally, the book guides you through parsing popular third-party applications, including Facebook and WhatsApp. By the end of this book, you will be proficient in various mobile forensic techniques to analyze and extract data from mobile devices with the help of open source solutions. What you will learn Discover new data extraction, data recovery, and reverse engineering techniques in mobile forensics Understand iOS, Windows, and Android security mechanisms Identify sensitive files on every mobile platform Extract data from iOS, Android, and Windows

platforms Understand malware analysis, reverse engineering, and data analysis of mobile devices Explore various data recovery techniques on all three mobile platforms Who this book is for This book is for forensic examiners with basic experience in mobile forensics or open source solutions for mobile forensics. Computer security professionals, researchers or anyone looking to gain a deeper understanding of mobile internals will also find this book useful. Some understanding of digital forensic practices will be helpful to grasp the concepts covered in the book more effectively.

Operating System Forensics Jones & Bartlett Learning

Maximize the power of Windows Forensics to perform highly effective

forensic investigations About This Book Prepare and perform investigations using powerful tools for Windows, Collect and validate evidence from suspects and computers and uncover clues that are otherwise difficult Packed with powerful recipes to perform highly effective field investigations Who This Book Is For If you are a forensic analyst or incident response professional who wants to perform computer forensics investigations for the Windows platform and expand your tool kit, then this book is for you. What You Will Learn Understand the challenges of acquiring evidence from Windows systems and overcome them Acquire and analyze Windows memory and drive data with modern forensic tools. Extract and analyze data from Windows file systems,

shadow copies and the registry Understand the main Windows system artifacts and learn how to parse data from them using forensic tools See a forensic analysis of common web browsers, mailboxes, and instant messenger services Discover how Windows 10 differs from previous versions and how to overcome the specific challenges it presents Create a graphical timeline and visualize data, which can then be incorporated into the final report Troubleshoot issues that arise while performing Windows forensics In Detail Windows Forensics Cookbook provides recipes to overcome forensic challenges and helps you carry out effective investigations easily on a Windows platform. You will begin with a refresher on digital forensics and

evidence acquisition, which will help you to understand the challenges faced while acquiring evidence from Windows systems. Next you will learn to acquire Windows memory data and analyze Windows systems with modern forensic tools. We also cover some more in-depth elements of forensic analysis, such as how to analyze data from Windows system artifacts, parse data from the most commonly-used web browsers and email services, and effectively report on digital forensic investigations. You will see how Windows 10 is different from previous versions and how you can overcome the specific challenges it brings. Finally, you will learn to troubleshoot issues that arise while performing digital forensic investigations. By the end of the book,

you will be able to carry out forensics investigations efficiently. Style and approach This practical guide filled with hands-on, actionable recipes to detect, capture, and recover digital artifacts and deliver impeccable forensic outcomes. Windows Forensics Addison-Wesley Professional Windows Forensics is the most comprehensive and up-to-date resource for those wishing to leverage the power of Linux and free software in order to quickly and efficiently perform forensics on Windows systems. It is also a great asset for anyone that would like to better understand Windows internals. Windows Forensics will guide you step by step through the process of investigating a computer running Windows. Whatever the reason for

performing forensics on a Windows system, be it incident response, a criminal investigation, suspected data ex-filtration, or data recovery, this book will tell you what you need to know in order to perform the vast majority of investigations. All of the tools discussed in this book are free and most are also open source. Dr. Philip Polstra shows how to leverage numerous tools such as Python, shell scripting, and MySQL to quickly, easily, and accurately analyze Windows systems. While readers will have a strong grasp of Python and shell scripting by the time they complete this book, no prior knowledge of either of these scripting languages is assumed. Windows Forensics begins by showing you how to determine if there was an incident with minimally invasive

techniques. Once it appears likely that an incident has occurred, Dr. Polstra shows you how to collect data from a live system before shutting it down for the creation of filesystem images. Windows Forensics contains extensive coverage of Windows FAT and NTFS filesystems. A large collection of Python and shell scripts for creating, mounting, and analyzing filesystem images are presented in this book. The treasure trove of data found in the Windows Registry and other artifacts are discussed in detail. Dr. Polstra introduces readers to the exciting new field of memory analysis using the Volatility framework. Discussion of malware analysis rounds out the book. Book Highlights 554 pages in large, easy-to-read 8.5 x 11 inch format Over 11,000

lines of Python scripts with explanations  
Over 500 lines of shell and command  
scripts with explanations A 96 page  
chapter covering the FAT filesystem in  
detail A 164 page chapter on NTFS  
filesystems Multiple scenarios described  
in detail with images available from the  
book website All scripts and other  
support files are available from the book  
website

*File System Forensic Analysis* Elsevier  
The Definitive Guide to File System  
Analysis: Key Concepts and Hands-on  
Techniques Most digital evidence is  
stored within the computer's file system,  
but understanding how file systems work  
is one of the most technically  
challenging concepts for a digital  
investigator because there exists little  
documentation. Now, security expert

Brian Carrier has written the definitive  
reference for everyone who wants to  
understand and be able to testify about  
how file system analysis is performed.  
Carrier begins with an overview of  
investigation and computer foundations  
and then gives an authoritative,  
comprehensive, and illustrated overview  
of contemporary volume and file  
systems: Crucial information for  
discovering hidden evidence, recovering  
deleted data, and validating your tools.  
Along the way, he describes data  
structures, analyzes example disk  
images, provides advanced investigation  
scenarios, and uses today's most  
valuable open source file system  
analysis tools—including tools he  
personally developed. Coverage includes  
Preserving the digital crime scene and

duplicating hard disks for "dead analysis" Identifying hidden data on a disk's Host Protected Area (HPA) Reading source data: Direct versus BIOS access, dead versus live acquisition, error handling, and more Analyzing DOS, Apple, and GPT partitions; BSD disk labels; and Sun Volume Table of Contents using key concepts, data structures, and specific techniques Analyzing the contents of multiple disk volumes, such as RAID and disk spanning Analyzing FAT, NTFS, Ext2, Ext3, UFS1, and UFS2 file systems using key concepts, data structures, and specific techniques Finding evidence: File metadata, recovery of deleted files, data hiding locations, and more Using The Sleuth Kit (TSK), Autopsy Forensic Browser, and related open source tools

When it comes to file system analysis, no other book offers this much detail or expertise. Whether you're a digital forensics specialist, incident response team member, law enforcement officer, corporate security specialist, or auditor, this book will become an indispensable resource for forensic investigations, no matter what analysis tools you use.

*Learning Malware Analysis* Springer Science & Business Media

This comprehensive guide provides you with the training you need to arm yourself against phishing, bank fraud, unlawful hacking, and other computer crimes. Two seasoned law enforcement professionals discuss everything from recognizing high-tech criminal activity and collecting evidence to presenting it in a way that judges and juries can

understand. They cover the range of skills, standards, and step-by-step procedures you'll need to conduct a criminal investigation in a Windows environment and make your evidence stand up in court.

Windows Internals Academic Press

The evidence is in--to solve Windows crime, you need Windows tools An arcane pursuit a decade ago, forensic science today is a household term. And while the computer forensic analyst may not lead as exciting a life as TV's CSIs do, he or she relies just as heavily on scientific principles and just as surely solves crime. Whether you are contemplating a career in this growing field or are already an analyst in a Unix/Linux environment, this book prepares you to combat computer crime

in the Windows world. Here are the tools to help you recover sabotaged files, track down the source of threatening e-mails, investigate industrial espionage, and expose computer criminals. \*

Identify evidence of fraud, electronic theft, and employee Internet abuse \*

Investigate crime related to instant messaging, Lotus Notes(r), and

increasingly popular browsers such as Firefox(r) \*

Learn what it takes to become a computer forensics analyst \*

Take advantage of sample forms and layouts as well as case studies \*

Protect the integrity of evidence \*

Compile a forensic response toolkit \*

Assess and analyze damage from computer crime and process the crime scene \*

Develop a structure for effectively conducting investigations \*

Discover how to locate

evidence in the Windows Registry

**WINDOWS FORENSICS:THE FIELD GUIDE FOR CONDUCTING CORPORATE COMPUTER INVESTIGATIONS** Jones & Bartlett

Publishers

Windows Registry Forensics provides the background of the Windows Registry to help develop an understanding of the binary structure of Registry hive files. Approaches to live response and analysis are included, and tools and techniques for postmortem analysis are discussed at length. Tools and techniques are presented that take the student and analyst beyond the current use of viewers and into real analysis of data contained in the Registry, demonstrating the forensic value of the Registry. Named a 2011 Best Digital Forensics

Book by InfoSec Reviews, this book is packed with real-world examples using freely available open source tools. It also includes case studies and a CD containing code and author-created tools discussed in the book. This book will appeal to computer forensic and incident response professionals, including federal government and commercial/private sector contractors, consultants, etc. Named a 2011 Best Digital Forensics Book by InfoSec Reviews Packed with real-world examples using freely available open source tools Deep explanation and understanding of the Windows Registry - the most difficult part of Windows to analyze forensically Includes a CD containing code and author-created tools discussed in the book



**Windows Forensic Analysis DVD Toolkit** Pearson Education

Use this hands-on, introductory guide to understand and implement digital forensics to investigate computer crime using Windows, the most widely used operating system. This book provides you with the necessary skills to identify an intruder's footprints and to gather the necessary digital evidence in a forensically sound manner to prosecute in a court of law. Directed toward users with no experience in the digital forensics field, this book provides guidelines and best practices when conducting investigations as well as teaching you how to use a variety of tools to investigate computer crime. You will be prepared to handle problems such as law violations, industrial

espionage, and use of company resources for private use. Digital Forensics Basics is written as a series of tutorials with each task demonstrating how to use a specific computer forensics tool or technique. Practical information is provided and users can read a task and then implement it directly on their devices. Some theoretical information is presented to define terms used in each technique and for users with varying IT skills. What You'll Learn Assemble computer forensics lab requirements, including workstations, tools, and more Document the digital crime scene, including preparing a sample chain of custody form Differentiate between law enforcement agency and corporate investigations Gather intelligence using OSINT sources Acquire and analyze

digital evidence Conduct in-depth forensic analysis of Windows operating systems covering Windows 10-specific feature forensics Utilize anti-forensic techniques, including steganography, data destruction techniques, encryption, and anonymity techniques Who This Book Is For Police and other law enforcement personnel, judges (with no technical background), corporate and nonprofit management, IT specialists and computer security professionals, incident response team members, IT military and intelligence services officers, system administrators, e-business security professionals, and banking and insurance professionals

**Malware Forensics** Elsevier  
Revised edition of the author's System forensics, investigation, and response,

c2014.

**Scene of the Cybercrime** Elsevier  
Updated with the latest advances from the field, **GUIDE TO COMPUTER FORENSICS AND INVESTIGATIONS**, Fifth Edition combines all-encompassing topic coverage and authoritative information from seasoned experts to deliver the most comprehensive forensics resource available. This proven author team's wide ranging areas of expertise mirror the breadth of coverage provided in the book, which focuses on techniques and practices for gathering and analyzing evidence used to solve crimes involving computers. Providing clear instruction on the tools and techniques of the trade, it introduces readers to every step of the computer forensics investigation-from lab set-up to testifying in court. It also

details step-by-step guidance on how to use current forensics software.

Appropriate for learners new to the field, it is also an excellent refresher and technology update for professionals in law enforcement, investigations, or computer security. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

### **Windows Forensics Cookbook**

Syngress

"This unique book delves down into the capabilities of hiding and obscuring data object within the Windows Operating System. However, one of the most noticeable and credible features of this publication is, it takes the reader from the very basics and background of data

hiding techniques, and run's on the reading-road to arrive at some of the more complex methodologies employed for concealing data object from the human eye and/or the investigation. As a practitioner in the Digital Age, I can see this book siting on the shelves of Cyber Security Professionals, and those working in the world of Digital Forensics - it is a recommended read, and is in my opinion a very valuable asset to those who are interested in the landscape of unknown unknowns. This is a book which may well help to discover more about that which is not in immediate view of the onlooker, and open up the mind to expand its imagination beyond its accepted limitations of known knowns." - John Walker, CSIRT/SOC/Cyber Threat Intelligence Specialist Featured in Digital

Forensics Magazine, February 2017 In the digital world, the need to protect online communications increase as the technology behind it evolves. There are many techniques currently available to encrypt and secure our communication channels. Data hiding techniques can take data confidentiality to a new level as we can hide our secret messages in ordinary, honest-looking data files. Steganography is the science of hiding data. It has several categorizations, and each type has its own techniques in hiding. Steganography has played a vital role in secret communication during wars since the dawn of history. In recent days, few computer users successfully manage to exploit their Windows® machine to conceal their private data. Businesses also have deep concerns

about misusing data hiding techniques. Many employers are amazed at how easily their valuable information can get out of their company walls. In many legal cases a disgruntled employee would successfully steal company private data despite all security measures implemented using simple digital hiding techniques. Human right activists who live in countries controlled by oppressive regimes need ways to smuggle their online communications without attracting surveillance monitoring systems, continuously scan in/out internet traffic for interesting keywords and other artifacts. The same applies to journalists and whistleblowers all over the world. Computer forensic investigators, law enforcements officers, intelligence services and IT security

professionals need a guide to tell them where criminals can conceal their data in Windows® OS & multimedia files and how they can discover concealed data quickly and retrieve it in a forensic way. Data Hiding Techniques in Windows OS is a response to all these concerns. Data hiding topics are usually approached in most books using an academic method, with long math equations about how each hiding technique algorithm works behind the scene, and are usually targeted at people who work in the academic arenas. This book teaches professionals and end users alike how they can hide their data and discover the hidden ones using a variety of ways under the most commonly used operating system on earth, Windows®.

**Troubleshooting with the Windows**

**Sysinternals Tools** Elsevier  
Harlan Carvey has updated Windows Forensic Analysis Toolkit, now in its fourth edition, to cover Windows 8 systems. The primary focus of this edition is on analyzing Windows 8 systems and processes using free and open-source tools. The book covers live response, file analysis, malware detection, timeline, and much more. Harlan Carvey presents real-life experiences from the trenches, making the material realistic and showing the why behind the how. The companion and toolkit materials are hosted online. This material consists of electronic printable checklists, cheat sheets, free custom tools, and walk-through demos. This edition complements Windows Forensic Analysis Toolkit, Second Edition, which

focuses primarily on XP, and Windows Forensic Analysis Toolkit, Third Edition, which focuses primarily on Windows 7. This new fourth edition provides expanded coverage of many topics beyond Windows 8 as well, including new cradle-to-grave case examples, USB device analysis, hacking and intrusion cases, and "how would I do this" from Harlan's personal case files and

questions he has received from readers. The fourth edition also includes an all-new chapter on reporting. Complete coverage and examples of Windows 8 systems Contains lessons from the field, case studies, and war stories Companion online toolkit material, including electronic printable checklists, cheat sheets, custom tools, and walk-throughs