

# Live Forensics from the perspective of Law Enforcement



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# Who's the dude



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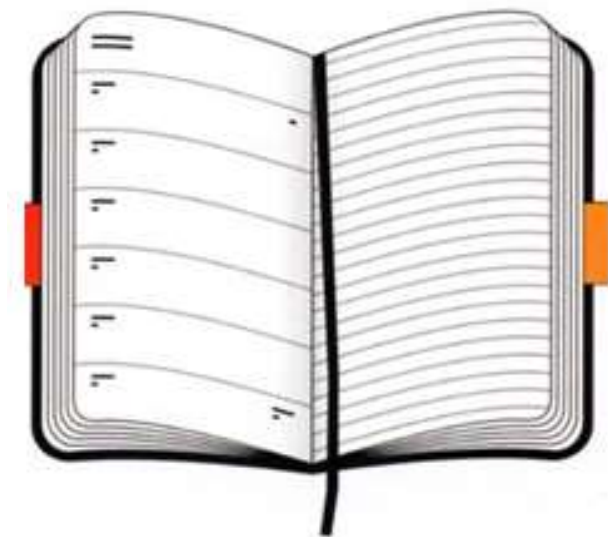
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# Agenda

- ▶ Digital Forensics and CSI
- ▶ Best practices
- ▶ Practical on-the-spot investigations
  - ▶ Identification and emergent issues
  - ▶ Live forensics: needs, greeds, opportunities and mistakes
  - ▶ Evidence Collection
  - ▶ Forensic tools
- ▶ Bonus track: laboratory activities



# ON-THE-SPOT INVESTIGATIONS





# Crime Scene Investigations

- ▶ Crime scene investigators document the crime scene.
- ▶ We take photographs and physical measurements of the scene, identify and collect forensic evidence, and maintain the proper chain of custody of that evidence.
- ▶ We collect evidence such as fingerprints, footprints, tire tracks, blood and other body fluids, hairs, fibers, fire debris, gunshot residues... and of course digital evidence from electronic devices.



# Accertamenti urgenti

**Art.354** cpp: Accertamenti urgenti sui luoghi, sulle cose e sulle persone

▶1. Gli ufficiali e gli agenti di polizia giudiziaria curano che le tracce e le cose pertinenti al reato siano conservate e che lo stato dei luoghi e delle cose non venga mutato prima dell'intervento del pubblico ministero.

▶2. Se vi è pericolo che le cose le tracce e i luoghi indicati nel comma 1 si alterino o si disperdano o comunque si modifichino e il pubblico ministero non può intervenire tempestivamente ovvero non ha ancora assunto la direzione delle indagini, gli ufficiali di polizia giudiziaria compiono i necessari accertamenti e rilievi sullo stato dei luoghi e delle cose. **In relazione ai dati, alle informazioni e ai programmi informatici o ai sistemi informatici o telematici, gli ufficiali della polizia giudiziaria adottano altresì le misure tecniche o impartiscono le prescrizioni necessarie ad assicurarne la conservazione e ad impedirne l'alterazione e l'accesso e provvedono, ove possibile, alla loro immediata duplicazione su adeguati supporti, mediante una procedura che assicuri la conformità della copia all'originale e la sua immutabilità.** Se del caso, sequestrano il corpo del reato e le cose a questo pertinenti.

▶3. Se ricorrono i presupposti previsti dal comma 2, gli ufficiali di polizia giudiziaria compiono i necessari accertamenti e rilievi sulle persone diversi dalla ispezione personale.

# DIGITAL FORENSICS



# The need of Digital Forensics

- ▶ A relatively new branch of forensic science
- ▶ Essential in a pervasive computing era
- ▶ Nearly impossible, today, to find a crime scene without digital elements
- ▶ Electronic devices can be involved...

- ▶ ...as a **target**

- ▶ ...as a **tool**

- ▶ ...as a **witness**





# The need of Digital Forensics

▶ Despite pervasiveness, the real functioning of I.T. technologies remains mysterious to the most



▶ Digital evidence, on the other hand, can be extremely delicate and requires specific knowledge to be handled correctly

# The digital forensic process

► **Identification**



► **Acquisition/Preservation**



► **Analysis/Evaluation**



► **Reporting**



# BEST PRACTICES



## Best practices: international and local guidelines

- ▶ RFC3227: Guidelines for Evidence Collection and Archiving
- ▶ ISO 27037: Guidelines for identification, collection, acquisition and preservation of digital evidence
- ▶ Council of Europe: Electronic Evidence Guide
- ▶ ENISA: Good practice material for first responders
- ▶ U.S. Secret Service: Best Practices for Seizing Electronic Evidence
- ▶ **Servizio Polizia Scientifica:**
  - ▶ PT67: procedura tecnica per il sopralluogo informatico
  - ▶ PT35: procedura di acquisizione ed analisi forense di supporti informatici
  - ▶ PT38: procedura di acquisizione dati da dispositivi mobili
  - ▶ PG04: procedura di acquisizione e accettazione reperti
  - ▶ PG15: procedura di gestione magazzino reperti e magazzini di laboratorio

# Golden rules

There are general principles shared by all guidelines in this field. Among them:

- ▶ Whenever possible, it is best to have a trained Digital Forensic Examiner/ Analyst collect electronic evidence
- ▶ Check the legal basis you have to inspect or seize the device (plain view, search warrant, consent, etc.)
- ▶ If you have reason to believe that the device is involved in the crime you are investigating, take immediate steps to preserve the evidence
  - ▶ "Do nothing" is not a valid option
- ▶ Ensure both physical e logical isolation
- ▶ If a device is OFF, leave it OFF. Do NOT power it on to begin searching through the device relying on the device itself.
- ▶ If the device is ON and it's upon you to proceed, follow guidelines in order to properly secure the device and preserve evidence
- ▶ If you reasonably believe that the device is destroying evidence, immediately shut it down by pulling the power cord or removing battery
  - ▶ Beware: it's a one-way move
- ▶ In all instances, you have to document the location and state of the device through video recordings, photos and description.
  - ▶ If the device is on and the screen is blank, wake it up (moving the mouse, pressing modifier keys, inserting USB cable etc.) and then take photos of the screen



# RFC3227: Guidelines for Evidence Collection and Archiving

Dated February 2002, is still a valid international reference

Among other things, it recommends:

- ▶ Keep detailed notes, including dates and times, considering timezone and time skew
- ▶ Minimise changes to the data and its metadata as you are collecting it
- ▶ Remove external avenues for change
- ▶ When confronted with a choice between collection and analysis you should do collection first and analysis later
- ▶ Be methodical. If possible, procedures should be automated for reasons of speed and accuracy.
- ▶ Proceed from the volatile to the less volatile
- ▶ Perform bit-to-bit copies and generate checksums/signatures
- ▶ Don't shutdown until you've completed evidence collection
- ▶ Don't trust the programs on the system

## Order of volatility

- ▶ Registers, cache
- ▶ Routing table, arp cache, process table, kernel statistics, memory
- ▶ Temporary file systems
- ▶ Disk
- ▶ Remote logging and monitoring data that is relevant to the system in question
- ▶ Physical configuration, network topology
- ▶ Archival media

# Chain of custody

You should be able to clearly describe how the evidence was found, how it was handled and everything that happened to it.

The following need to be documented:

- ▶ Where, when, and by whom was the evidence discovered and collected.
- ▶ Where, when and by whom was the evidence handled or examined.
- ▶ Who had custody of the evidence, during what period. How was it stored.
- ▶ When the evidence changed custody, when and how did the transfer occur (include shipping numbers, etc.)



# First responder

- ▶ In Digital Forensics and Incident Response, dealing with running systems is the most delicate part fo the job
- ▶ First responders have a **unique opportunity** to:
  - ▶ observe and document what's going on
  - ▶ take countermeasures
  - ▶ set up probes
  - ▶ capture and preserve volatile data
    - ▶ Dump RAM, capture network traffic etc.
- ▶ In a few words, perform **live forensics**



# First responder

First responders have also the opportunity to make **irreparable mistakes** that could drive to:

- ▶ loss of relevant data
- ▶ degradation of evidence
- ▶ alteration of timeline
- ▶ lack of documentation (i.e. weak chain of custody)
- ▶ obstruction to future investigations





# First thing first

- ▶ You're in charge! So, take control of the scene:
  - ▶ Prioritize intervention on running systems
  - ▶ Don't let anybody stay near devices, power sources, cables...
  - ▶ Don't shutdown devices before being completely sure it's safe
    - ▶ We don't want to lose useful data,
    - ▶ nor to stop a productive environment without reasons!
- ▶ Keep both **physical** and **logical isolation** while operating



## Consider environment

- ▶ Environment may contains relevant elements in order to describe human behaviors and habits
  - ▶ The last user of a workstation in an open space
  - ▶ The traditional yellow post-it containing credentials
  - ▶ Password noted under the keyboard and so on...
- ▶ Some of those elements may have not digital records...
- ▶ If not taken by responders on the scene, they will remain unknown to the analysts on lab, and probably lost for ever
- ▶ First step is **identification**: if you fail that, it could be hard to remedy later
- ▶ Identification it's not always so easy
  - ▶ You better know what you're looking for
  - ▶ Data and storage medium may be hidden (logically, physically or both) or simply somewhere else



# Good old storage devices



Flash



Floppy Disk



Zip Disk



CD + RW



CD + R



DVD + RW



DVD + R



Storage Tape



Smart Media



Removable Hard - Drive



Micro Drive



Memory Stick



Smart Cards



Online Storage Site



PC Card



Hard Disk



Network Storage Device



# Pervasive and ubiquitous computing

- ▶ Smart things
- ▶ Smart watches
- ▶ Smart home
- ▶ Smart cars
- ▶ Smart clothes
- ▶ Smart crap...



# Acquisition plan

- ▶ Probably you don't need *every* piece of data you can reach
  - ▶ it will cost time and resources
  - ▶ sometimes more is less and less is more
- ▶ You need to define **what** is useful and **how** to acquire it, respecting order of volatility
  - ▶ ...and obviously if you have the rights to acquire it
- ▶ Consider also external sources:
  - ▶ Log files from network appliance (firewall, IDS, Radius, remote Syslog, application server...) that can describe events occurred to your target
  - ▶ Physical access to the target (videosurveillance, badge logs etc.)
  - ▶ Data retained by third-party (ISP logs, **cloud data**, phone records...)
    - ▶ This will probably be acquired later, unless immediate availability



## Live vs Post-mortem analysis

- ▶ When you find a running system, you're at a crossroads:
  - ▶ **Turn it off and proceed to seizure and post-mortem analysis, as it would be found off**
  - ▶ Perform examination while it's running
- ▶ Both choices have pros and cons, depending on:
  - ▶ Training of first responders
  - ▶ Disposal of tools, time and resources
  - ▶ Loss of relevant data
- ▶ In every instances, probably you will need to evaluate the right way to shut down the device at the end



# Shutdown

- ▶ Think about what you'll lose:
  - ▶ Content of volatile memory
  - ▶ State of network/system/services/applications etc.
    - ▶ i.e. shell or chat history...
    - ▶ Every event or condition not recorded in a log
  - ▶ **Access to encrypted volumes** (BitLocker, FileVault, TrueCrypt, PGDisk, BestCrypt etc.)
  - ▶ Access to remote shares or cloud resources
- ▶ You need to be aware of that before to proceed
  - ▶ It's a one-way move.
  - ▶ Evaluate to perform something useful *before* that.

# LIVE FORENSICS



## Analisi Live vs Post-mortem

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  - ▶ Turn it off and proceed to seizure and post-mortem analysis, as it would be found off
  - ▶ **Perform examination while it's running**
- ▶ From general to specific, take descriptive notes. I.e.:
  - ▶ External appearance in his environment
  - ▶ Content of display
  - ▶ Date and time reported
  - ▶ Task visible in foreground
  - ▶ State of logical connections
- ▶ Take photos and videos (art. 234 c.p.p. – Prova documentale)
- ▶ As a Law Enforcement Officer, proceed to the proper action according to circumstances (perquisizione, ispezione, sequestro, accertamento urgente...) applying methods and tools for live forensics



## Remember me?

- ▶ This is now our checklist:
  - ▶ Content of volatile memory
  - ▶ State of network/system/services/applications etc.
    - ▶ i.e. shell or chat history...
    - ▶ Every event or condition not recorded in a log
  - ▶ **Access to encrypted volumes** (BitLocker, FileVault, TrueCrypt, PGDisk, BestCrypt etc.)
  - ▶ Access to remote shares or cloud resources
- ▶ Sometimes you *cannot* shutdown or seize the system
  - ▶ *live forensics* becomes the only way



# Invasiveness

- ▶ System is running: every interaction will produce traces
  - ▶ Try to minimize your impact
- ▶ Ask yourself (before someone else asks to you) which kind of traces you are leaving
  - ▶ Can you refer about it?
  - ▶ Can *someone* refer about it?
  - ▶ Those traces compromise the meaning of the data you're acquiring?
  - ▶ This will have relevant impact on the results of analysis?
  - ▶ Any kind of write operation can overwrite something: is something relevant? Are you causing permanent loss of relevant data?

## Live forensics requirements

- ▶ **Completeness of data:** data that would be destroyed or affected after system shutdown should all be collected.
- ▶ **Order of volatility:** data should be collected in the order that would not be affecting other results.
- ▶ **Time required** and **Importance of evidence:** data should be collected within a reasonable time and depending on their importance.
- ▶ **Repeatability:** All data collected for testing should be available and performed actions should be as repeatable as possible.
- ▶ **Integrity of evidence:** data collected from live digital forensics investigation should be protected from being tampered.
- ▶ **Accuracy of evidence:** tools for collecting the data should be accurately recording the data
- ▶ **Verifiability** and **Reasonableness:** the actions performed should be verifiable in court and be reasonable to the case.
- ▶ **Case dependencies:** the actions performed in one particular live digital forensics investigation should be relevant and depending on the case

## Live forensics best practices

- ▶ Reduce your footprint
- ▶ Take only needful actions
- ▶ Avoid every possible alteration to data and metadata
- ▶ Respect order of volatility
- ▶ Take notes of every action, the reason why it's required and his scope, the results obtained
- ▶ Use trusted tools, as much independent from the system as possible, with minimum needs of resources, preferably specifically designed for forensic purposes
- ▶ Hash data and produce as many copy as needed
- ▶ If something can be postponed to post-mortem analysis, postpone it

# Lockscreens

- ▶ Document the presence and type of lockscreen
- ▶ Take photos, notice availability of biometric access
- ▶ Limits physical manipulation
  - ▶ Don't trigger sensors (that includes front camera)
  - ▶ Don't mess with surfaces, especially with touchscreen



# Logical isolation of mobile devices

- ▶ Sometimes it is necessary to seize a device powered on
- ▶ If possible, set airplane/flight mode ON
- ▶ Turn off WiFi, BT, mobile data, GPS, alarms
- ▶ Think about removing the SIM
  - ▶ Bad idea on iOS, still good on some Androids
- ▶ Use Faraday bags
  - ▶ maybe with a power bank inside or an external power source
- ▶ ...but if you can, shut it down :-)
  - ▶ and take apart SIM cards





# SHUTTING DOWN SYSTEMS



# Shutdown

1) Ordinary procedures are generally deprecated

- ▶ Start button > Power button > Shut down

- ▶ # shutdown -h now

- ▶ Ordinary procedures alter a lot of data on filesystem and registry!

- ▶ Any kind of *write operation* can *overwrite* something (something relevant?) and cause permanent data loss

- ▶ Shutdown command can trigger *clean routines*

# Shutdown

## 2) Physically disconnect power source

- ▶ Pull the cord from the back of the PC and/or remove battery
  - ▶ Don't trust buttons
- ▶ Impact on data is minor than operating shutdown
- ▶ Risk of damage due to electric shock is remote
- ▶ You don't need trained personnel to do that
- ▶ On the other hand, operations not yet recorded could be lost
  - ▶ DB of filesystem transactions
  - ▶ Contents of caches

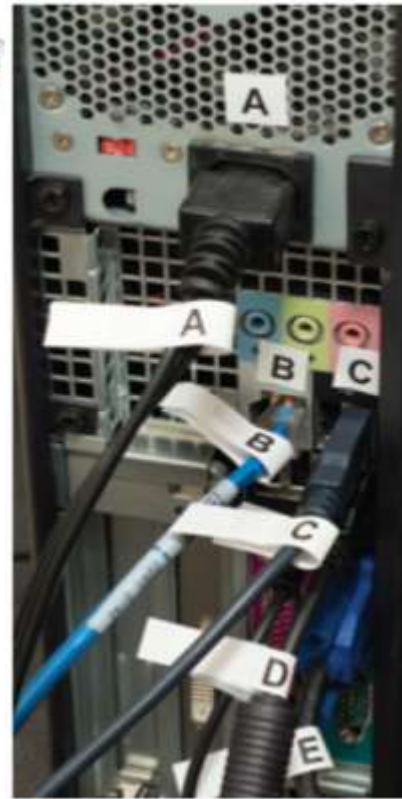


# COLLECTION



# Power off → seizure

- ▶ Take note of serial numbers and significant labels
- ▶ Label every item with a unique identifier
- ▶ Take step by step photos
- ▶ Don't forget CD or memory card in slots
- ▶ Count supports, not covers!
- ▶ Don't forget chargers, cables, adapters and useful accessories
- ▶ Original packages can be useful
- ▶ Preserve devices from possible damage caused by temperature, humidity, static charge, EM fields, mechanical shock
- ▶ Start a strong **chain of custody**





# LIVE FORENSICS TOOLS



# BENTO

YOUR FORENSIC LAUNCHER BOX





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## Bento

*Your forensic launcher box*

Bento è una suite di programmi utili agli scopi di *live forensics* e *incident response*.

È stato assemblato per fornire uno strumento di supporto ai sopralluoghisti della Polizia Scientifica per le attività di **sopralluogo informatico** e per dare agli altri *first responder* un toolkit in grado di aiutarli ad affrontare le più comuni attività di identificazione, rilievo, acquisizione, repertazione e preservazione di evidenze digitali da sistemi operativi Windows, Linux e Mac OSX in modalità *live*. Non è scopo di Bento fornire strumenti di analisi forense al di fuori degli accertamenti strettamente necessari in modalità *live* e delle finalità di *triage*.



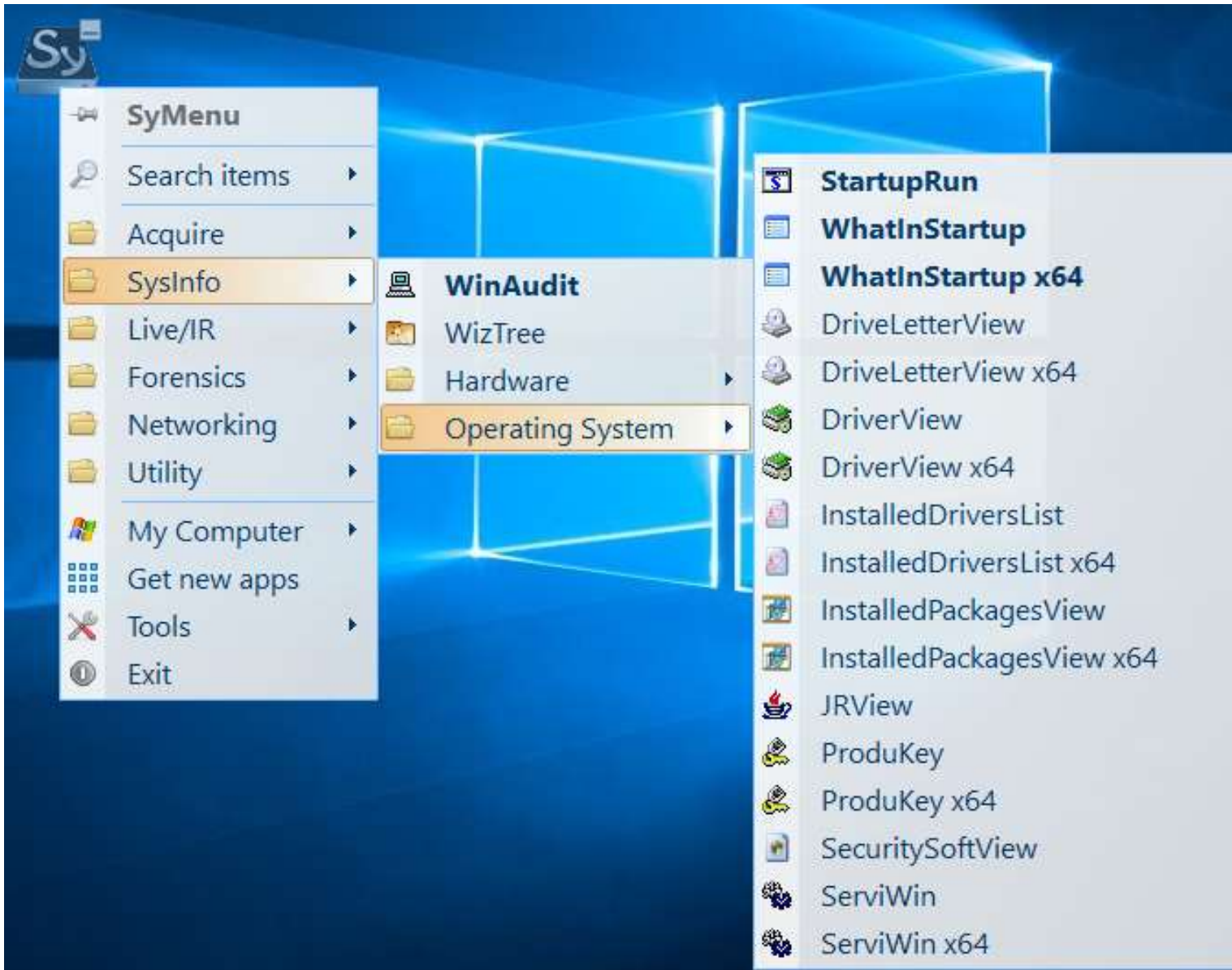
# Bento - Acquisition



A screenshot of a Windows desktop environment with a blue background. In the top-left corner, there is a small icon labeled 'Sy'. A large application window titled 'SyMenu' is open, displaying a navigation tree on the left and a list of tools on the right. The navigation tree includes 'Acquire', 'SysInfo', 'Live/IR', 'Forensics', 'Networking', 'Utility', 'My Computer', 'Get new apps', 'Tools', and 'Exit'. The 'Acquire' folder is selected, and its sub-menu is open, showing 'Image', 'Copy', 'Burn', 'Hash', and 'Image Mounter'. The 'Image' folder is also selected, and its sub-menu is open, listing several acquisition tools: 'FTK Imager Lite', 'Belkasoft Acquisition Tool', 'HDDRawCopy', 'Magnet RAM Capture', 'RamCapture x64', 'RamCapture x86', 'winpmem', and 'ftkimager CLI x86'. The desktop background features a large, glowing blue window graphic.



# Bento – System Information Gathering



# Bento – Live Forensics / Incident Response





# High configurability

SyMenu [D:] - v.6.05.6775

File Item Manager Advanced Help

- Acquire
- SysInfo
- Live/IR
  - EDD Encrypted Disk Detector
  - CrowdResponse
  - CyLR
  - DFIRTriage
  - FieldSearch
  - FastIR Collector (x86)
  - FastIR Collector (x64)
  - IREC
  - tr3secure
  - tr3secure-user
  - Windows Live Response Collec
- Processes
- Search
- Shell
- SysInternals
  - InsideClipboard
  - PC On/Off Time
  - TurnedOnTimesView
- Forensics
- Networking
- Utility

Program 0 Executions

CrowdResponse ▶ 📁 📄 👤 🌐

Path  
.\ProgramFiles\SPSSuite\SyMenuSuite\CrowdResponse\_sps\CrowdRespon...

Icon Path  
.\Icons\CrowdResponse.exe.ico 🖼️

Description  
Crowd Response is a lightweight Windows console application designed to 🗣️

Shortcut ℹ️

Url 🌐 [Visit web site](https://www.crowdstrike.com/resources/community-tools/crowdresponse)  
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Additional Params 👉 Gesture 👉 Advanced 👉

Program arguments (if necessary surround with double quotes)  
-i %ad%config.txt -v -e -o ..\..\..\..\Report\%computername%\_CrowdRe:

Version  
1.0.6 🔄

Start Search (CTRL + S)

Autoexec on start ℹ️

Autoexec on close ℹ️

Extension Manager ℹ️

Run elevated 👤

Output Command ℹ️

Single Instance Only ℹ️

Suppress notification

Desktop shortcut ℹ️

Reset

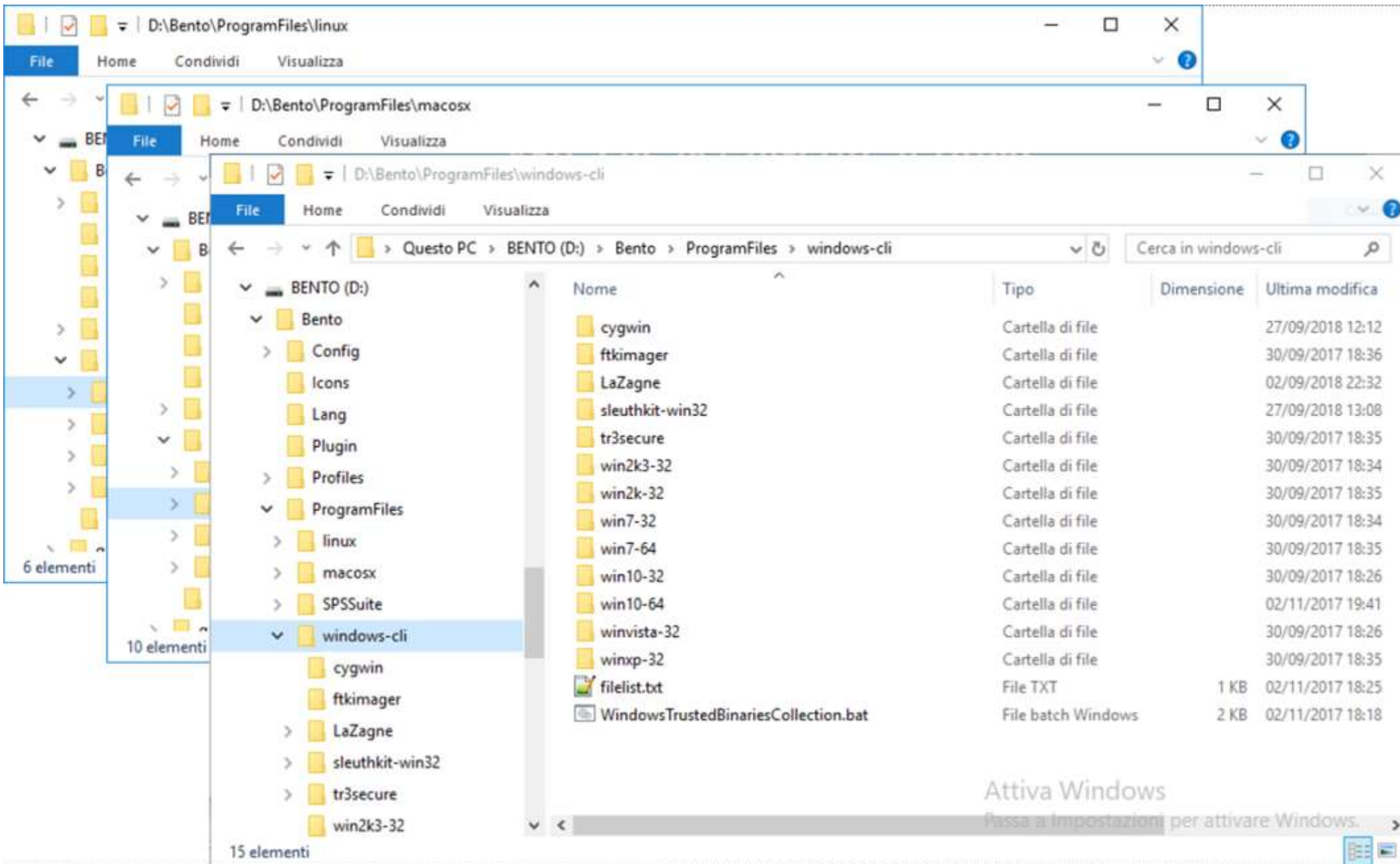
Save

Save & Exit



Free space on D: 5.6/7.2GB

# Beyond the GUI: Linux, OSX e Windows CLI tools



The screenshot displays a Windows File Explorer window with three overlapping panes. The top pane shows the path `D:\Bento\ProgramFiles\linux`. The middle pane shows `D:\Bento\ProgramFiles\macosx`. The bottom pane shows `D:\Bento\ProgramFiles\windows-cli`. The main view is a table of files and folders:

Nome	Tipo	Dimensione	Ultima modifica
cygwin	Cartella di file		27/09/2018 12:12
ftkimgager	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:36
LaZagne	Cartella di file		02/09/2018 22:32
sleuthkit-win32	Cartella di file		27/09/2018 13:08
tr3secure	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:35
win2k3-32	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:34
win2k-32	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:35
win7-32	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:34
win7-64	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:35
win10-32	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:26
win10-64	Cartella di file		02/11/2017 19:41
winvista-32	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:26
winxp-32	Cartella di file		30/09/2017 18:35
filelist.txt	File TXT	1 KB	02/11/2017 18:25
WindowsTrustedBinariesCollection.bat	File batch Windows	2 KB	02/11/2017 18:18



- tsurugi's Home
- Trash
- OSINT Switcher
- TSURUGI device unlocker



**SYSTEM**

Kernel: 4.16.0-041600-tsurugi  
 Uptime: 2h 3m 23s

CPU1: CPU2:

RAM: 1.68GiB U: 1.25GiB

SWAP: F: 976MiB U: 5.01MiB

Processes: / CPU RAM

mate-multimedia	100%	100%
conky	100%	100%
Xorg	100%	100%
mate-netopeed-a	100%	100%
postgres	100%	100%
Web Content	100%	100%
Web Content	100%	100%
VBoxClient	100%	100%
kwazerkv4-1	100%	100%
dnscrypt	100%	100%

**DATE**

**12:28**  
 06 septembre 2018

Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa Su  
 1 2  
 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
 10 11 12 13 14 15 16  
 17 18 19 20 21 22 23  
 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

**HD**

Root: 89%  
 F: 136GiB U: 14.1GiB

**NETWORK**

Up: 585 K/s  
 Total: 999KiB

Down: 50B/s  
 Total: 42.4MiB

Local IP: 10.0.2.15

# TSURUGI LINUX

[tsurugi-linux.org](http://tsurugi-linux.org)

# Tsurugi Linux

▶ Open source project, initially released in March 2018, dedicated to **Digital Forensics** and **OSINT**

[www.tsurugi-linux.org](http://www.tsurugi-linux.org)

▶ Three components:

## ▶ Tsurugi Acquire

▶ 32bit bootable Linux distribution, strictly designed for identification and acquisition *post mortem* of digital evidence

## ▶ Tsurugi Lab

▶ Full 64 bit Linux distribution designed for laboratory.

▶ It comes with two user profiles:

▶ a digital forensics analysis lab

▶ an open source intelligence desktop

## ▶ Bento

▶ FLOSS toolkit designed for Live Forensics and Incident Response on the field, on Windows, Linux and OSX systems.



A QUICK OVERVIEW ON OUR

# LABORATORY



# Our laboratory activities

## ▶ **Refine collection on our LIMS**

- ▶ Recognize and describe exhibits and their conditions
- ▶ Assign unique IDs
- ▶ Refine acquisition plan

## ▶ **Acquire data**

- ▶ Remove or circumvent lockscreens, or crack passcodes
- ▶ Execute forensic copies of exposed data
  - ▶ Mass storage devices (hard disks, SSD, thumbdrives, memory cards...)
  - ▶ Embedded memories from smartphones and tablets; drones; cams, bodycams, DVRs and other videosurveillance systems; IoT devices...
- ▶ Dump data from cloud accounts (Google, Microsoft, iCloud, Facebook, Telegram...)

## ▶ **Analyse** data from:

- ▶ Smartphones and tablets (Android e iOS, spreadtrum, KaiOS, Windows Phone, Blackberry, Symbian...)
- ▶ Personal Computer and servers (Windows, Linux, OS X)
- ▶ DVRs e NVRs
- ▶ Drones
- ▶ Vehicles (iVE)
- ▶ Warrant returns (Google, Apple, Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter...)



# Types of forensic copy

Full bit stream image cannot always be obtained.

We can try to perform:

## ▶ Physical dump

- ▶ The full bit stream image. It includes allocated and unallocated memory, so we can try to recover deleted files

## ▶ Full Filesystem dump

- ▶ Full logical copy of every existent file and folder

## ▶ Partial Filesystem extraction

- ▶ Logical copy of some filesystem branch (this may includes most of user's folders, but none of system's folders)

## ▶ Logical extraction

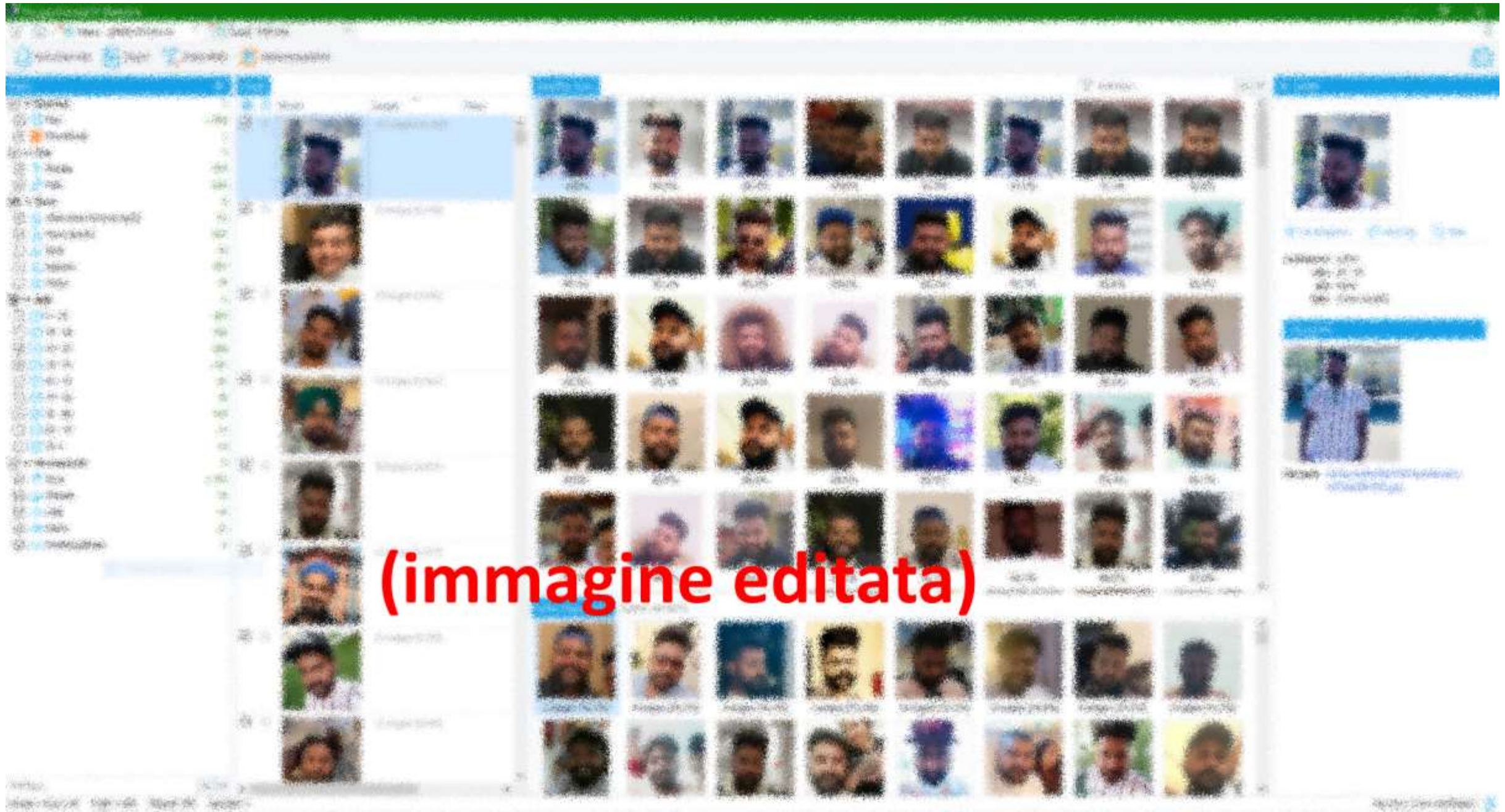
- ▶ Logical copy of interpreted data, collected through resident operating system (contacts, messages, call logs, calendar, photos, videos, etc.)

## ▶ Screenshots and photo/video recordings

## Typical analysis

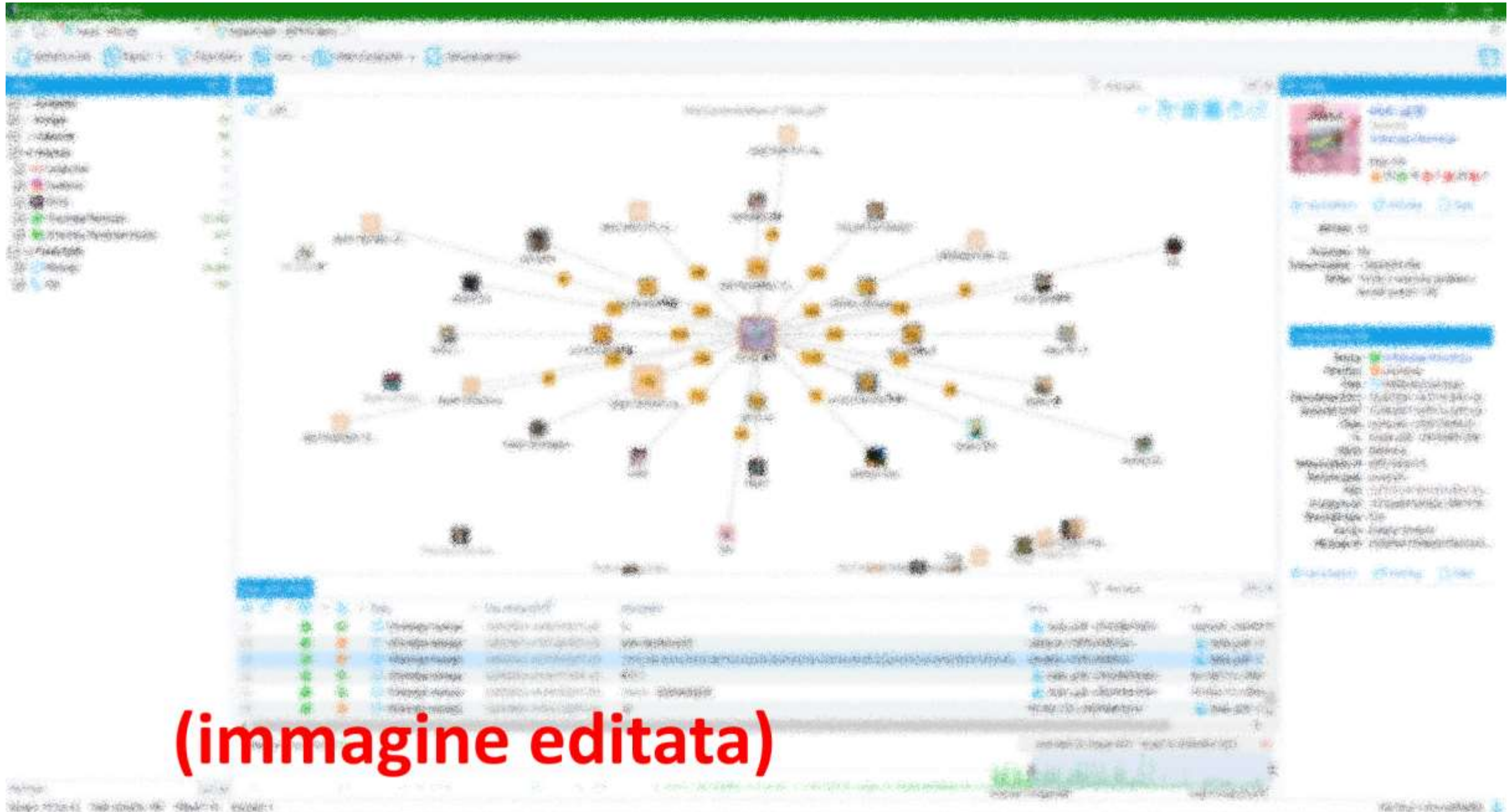
- ▶ Automatic detection, decoding, interpretation, deduplication and catalogation of artefacts describing user's activities
- ▶ Index and search text documents
- ▶ Categorize images and videos
  - ▶ Find similarity
  - ▶ Face detection and face recognition
  - ▶ Content recognition (vehicles and plates, drugs, weapons, nudity and CSA, Ids and credit cards, screenshot etc.)
  - ▶ Optical character recognition (OCR)
- ▶ Automated transcription of vocal tracks into searchable text
- ▶ Link analysis
- ▶ Timeline reconstruction

# Face similarity





# Social network analysis



# Content recognition

The screenshot displays the Oxygen Forensic Detective application interface. On the left, a 'Filters' sidebar shows various categories like 'Sources' (Apple Messages, Apple Photos, Files, Health, WhatsApp Messenger) and 'Tags' (Alcohol, Chat, Child abuse, etc.). The main window shows a table of extracted data with columns for 'Type', 'Time stamp (UTC)', 'Details', and 'Content'. A row is highlighted in blue, showing an 'Image file' with a thumbnail and a 'Content' column containing a large block of text. On the right, a 'Details' panel provides metadata for the selected image, including Source, Type, Name, Size, Created (UTC), Modified (UTC), Last accessed (UTC), Full path, Dimensions, and SHA-1 Hash. Below the metadata is a preview of the image, which shows a person's hand holding a small white object over a clear plastic container.

**(immagine editata)**

Version: 14.0.0.43 Total: 4.315 Filtered: 51 Selected: 1

You have 1 new notification



# Tools

Most used tools:

- ▶ Cellebrite UFED/Physical Analyzer
- ▶ MSAB XRY/XAMN
- ▶ Oxygen Forensic Detective
- ▶ Hancom MD-NEXT/MD-RED
- ▶ Elcomsoft Mobile Forensic Bundle
- ▶ Magnet Acquire/AXIOM
- ▶ Detego
- ▶ Autopsy
- ▶ Tsurugi Linux
- ▶ iLEAPP, ALEAPP
- ▶ APOLLO
- ▶ Andriller
- ▶ R-Studio, Amped5, X-Ways, Griffeye, DVR Examiner...

Other helpful tools:

- ▶ 3uTools
- ▶ Libimobiledevice
- ▶ iMobiledevice
- ▶ iBackupbot
- ▶ iPhone Backup Extractor
- ▶ iFunBox
- ▶ iTools
- ▶ iExplorer
- ▶ HiSuite
- ▶ kobackupdec
- ▶ MiPCSuite
- ▶ Odin
- ▶ ADBGui
- ▶ ABE
- ▶ DARGui
- ▶ DrFone
- ▶ Plisteditor
- ▶ DB Browser

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# Hancom MD-NEXT

MD-NEXT

Search Model



Home > SAMSUNG > 4045C > Select Extraction Method

SAMSUNG Galaxy S6 Edge  
4045C



## Extraction Method



®

Bootloader  
(AnyLock Bypass)



ADB Pro T1  
(Security Patch Level  
~2016-10)



®

Bootloader  
(AnyLock Bypass)



Android Live



MTP



USIM

## Utility



Unlock  
(AnyLock Bypass)



Relock  
(AnyLock Bypass)

# Hancom MD-RED

The screenshot displays the Hancom MD-RED software interface. At the top, the title bar shows the application name "MD-RED" and the current file path: "SM-G960F\_Physical\_20210316\_Case/New Group/Analysis Results/Multimedia/Picture".

**Explorer Panel:** Lists various file categories with their counts:

- Information (54/54)
- Contacts (1,727/1,727)
- Contacts Group (29/29)
- Call History (1,082/1,082)
- Message (2,188/2,188)
- Social media History (195/195)
- Chat Room (605/605)
- E-Mail (202/202)
- Notes (30/30)
- Schedule (263/263)
- Browser History (1,368/1,368)
- Download History (16/16)
- Cloud Log (1,705/1,705)
- Log (22,664/22,664)
  - Bluetooth Log (11/11)
  - Media Log (20,906/20,906)
  - System Log (885/885)
  - Network Log (693/693)
  - Search Word Log (169/169)
- Map History (45/45)
- Reject List (63/63)
- Etc (363/363)
- Applications (8,171/8,171)
- Multimedia (94,664/118,691)
  - Picture (80,716/101,799) - **Selected**
  - Movie (2,682/2,682)
  - Sound (4,747/4,749)
  - Document (3,723/6,665)
  - DB (1,368/1,368)
  - Compressed File (1,368/1,368)
  - Executable File (60/60)
- Relationship Analysis
- Credentials

**Path Filter Types Panel:** Shows filters for "Path based" (Screenshot, Photo), "Installed Apps" (two icons), and "Unconfirmed Apps" (four icons).

**File Explorer:** Displays a tree view of the file system:

- SM-G960F\_Physical\_20210316\_SYSTEM
  - EXT
    - system
- SM-G960F\_Physical\_20210316\_ODM
  - EXT
    - etc
- SM-G960F\_Physical\_20210316\_USERDAT
  - EXT
    - app
    - clipboard
    - custom\_image
    - dalvik-cache
    - data
    - media
    - overlays
    - system
    - system\_ce
    - user\_de
- SM-G960F\_Physical\_20210316\_mmcblk0
  - EXFAT
    - Android
    - Dati a5
    - Dati s9

**Table/Gallery View:** Shows a grid of image thumbnails. The "Table" view is selected. The gallery includes various images, including screenshots of a grid, a smartphone, and numerous Android icons. The status bar at the top of the gallery shows: "Check Count = 80,716", "Total Count = 101,799", and "Display Count = 101,799".

**Detail View:** Shows the details of the selected image:


- App: Default
- State: Active
- Attr: Normal
- Type: PNG
- File Path: /system/cameradata/preloadfilters/SeI

**Map:** Shows a map area with the text "There is no map data."

# Hardware interventions

Oxygen Forensic® Device Extractor v1.9

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 Oxygen Forensic®  
Device Extractor

Devices

Methods

**Extraction**

Settings

 **Huawei Kirin**

**Device connection**

- ✓ Checking Drivers
- ✓ Waiting for device in Huawei COM-port mode  
    Selected device: ANE-LX1
- ✓ Connection initialization
- ✓ Reading bootloader
- ✓ Rebooting to fastboot
- ✓ Waiting for the device to load in the Fastboot mode

**Data extraction**

- Reading device data image (1348.0 Mb of 58.2 Gb) - 2.2%
- Calculating hashes

**Hardware keys extraction**

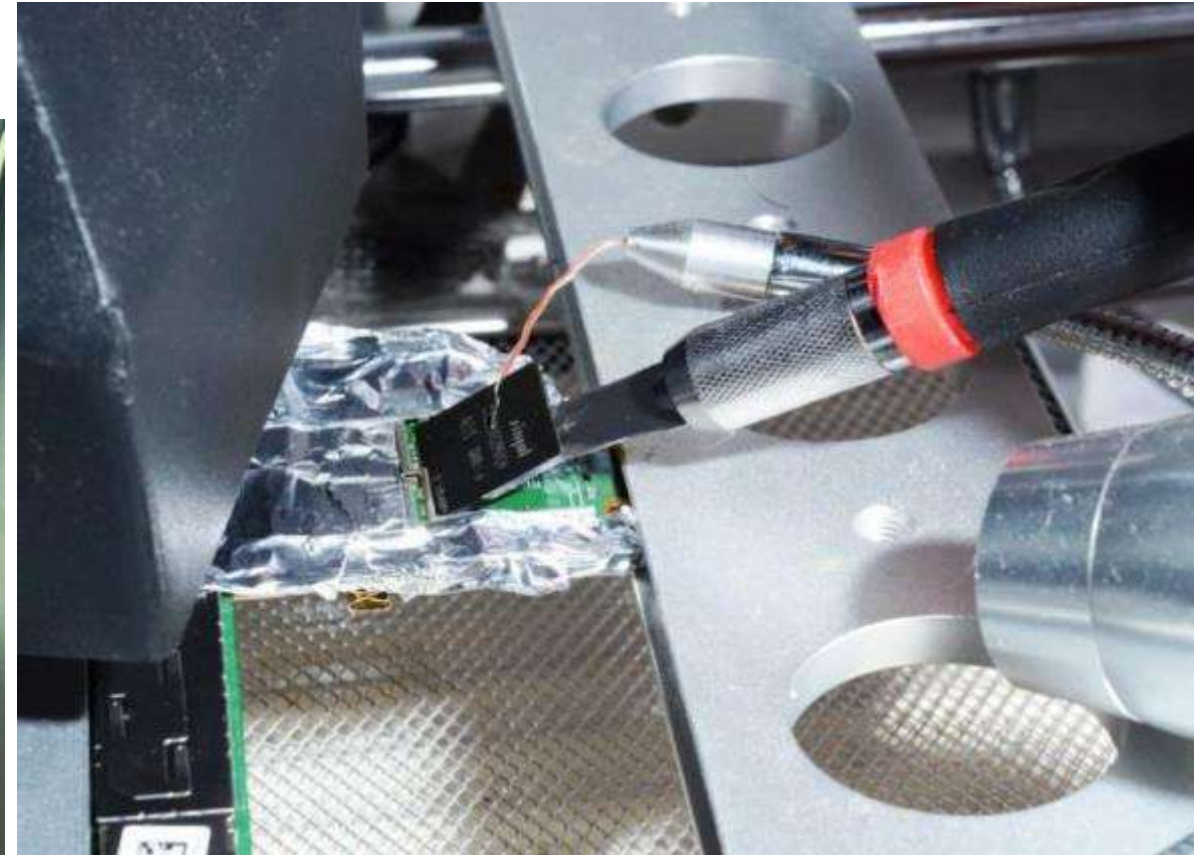
- Reading hardware keys
- Finish working with the device





# Extreme measures

- ▶ Cleanroom to recover hard drives
- ▶ Chip-off of embedded memories





# Resources reserved to LE

UFED Premium



MSAB



Access Services



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