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the need to professionally and successfully conduct computer forensic investigations of incidents and crimes has never been greater this has caused an increased requirement for information about the creation and management of computer forensic laboratories and the investigations themselves this includes a

great need for information on how to cost effectively establish and manage a computer forensics laboratory this book meets that need a clearly written non technical book on the topic of computer forensics with emphasis on the establishment and management of a computer forensics laboratory and its subsequent support to successfully conducting computer related crime investigations provides guidance on creating and managing a computer forensics lab covers the regulatory and legislative environment in the us and europe meets the needs of it professionals and law enforcement as well as consultants

virtualization and forensics a digital forensic investigators guide to virtual environments offers an in depth view into the world of virtualized environments and the implications they have on forensic investigations named a 2011 best digital forensics book by infosec reviews this guide gives you the end to end knowledge needed to identify server desktop and portable virtual environments including vmware parallels microsoft and sun it covers technological advances in virtualization tools methods and issues in digital forensic investigations and explores trends and emerging technologies surrounding virtualization technology this book consists of three parts part i explains the process of virtualization and the different types of virtualized environments part ii details how virtualization interacts with the basic forensic process describing the methods used to find virtualization artifacts in dead and live environments as well as identifying the virtual activities that affect the examination process part iii addresses advanced virtualization issues such as the challenges of virtualized environments cloud computing and the future of virtualization this book will be a valuable resource for forensic investigators corporate and law enforcement and incident response professionals named a 2011 best digital forensics book by infosec reviews gives you the end to end knowledge needed to identify server desktop and portable virtual environments including vmware parallels microsoft and sun covers technological advances in virtualization tools methods and issues in digital forensic investigations explores trends and emerging technologies surrounding virtualization technology

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the field of computer forensics has experienced significant growth recently and those looking to get into the industry have significant opportunity for upward mobility focusing on the concepts investigators need to know to conduct a thorough investigation digital forensics explained provides an overall description of the forensic practice from a practitioner s perspective starting with an overview the text describes best practices based on the author s decades of experience conducting investigations and working in information technology it illustrates the forensic process explains what it takes to be an investigator and highlights emerging trends filled with helpful templates and contributions from seasoned experts in their respective fields the book includes coverage of internet and email investigations mobile forensics for cell phones ipads music players and other small devices cloud computing from an architecture perspective and its impact on digital forensics anti forensic techniques that may be employed to make a forensic exam more difficult to conduct recoverability of information from damaged media the progression of a criminal case from start to finish tools that are often used in an examination including commercial free and open source tools computer and mobile tools and things as simple as extension cords social media and social engineering forensics case documentation and presentation including sample summary reports and a cover sheet for a cell phone investigation the text includes acquisition forms a sequential process outline to guide your investigation and a checklist of supplies you ll need when responding to an incident providing you with the understanding and the tools to deal with suspects who find ways to make their digital activities hard to trace the book also considers cultural implications ethics and the psychological effects that digital forensics investigations can have on investigators

digital forensics has been a discipline of information security for decades now its principles methodologies and techniques have remained consistent despite the evolution of technology and ultimately it and can be applied to any form of digital data however within a corporate environment digital forensic

professionals are particularly challenged they must maintain the legal admissibility and forensic viability of digital evidence in support of a broad range of different business functions that include incident response electronic discovery ediscovery and ensuring the controls and accountability of such information across networks digital forensics and investigations people process and technologies to defend the enterprise provides the methodologies and strategies necessary for these key business functions to seamlessly integrate digital forensic capabilities to guarantee the admissibility and integrity of digital evidence in many books the focus on digital evidence is primarily in the technical software and investigative elements of which there are numerous publications what tends to get overlooked are the people and process elements within the organization taking a step back the book outlines the importance of integrating and accounting for the people process and technology components of digital forensics in essence to establish a holistic paradigm and best practice procedure and policy approach to defending the enterprise this book serves as a roadmap for professionals to successfully integrate an organization s people process and technology with other key business functions in an enterprise s digital forensic capabilities

implementing digital forensic readiness from reactive to proactive process shows information security and digital forensic professionals how to increase operational efficiencies by implementing a pro active approach to digital forensics throughout their organization it demonstrates how digital forensics aligns strategically within an organization s business operations and information security s program this book illustrates how the proper collection preservation and presentation of digital evidence is essential for reducing potential business impact as a result of digital crimes disputes and incidents it also explains how every stage in the digital evidence lifecycle impacts the integrity of data and how to properly manage digital evidence throughout the entire investigation using a digital forensic readiness approach and preparedness as a business goal the administrative technical and physical elements included throughout this book will enhance the relevance and credibility of digital evidence learn how to document the available systems and logs as potential digital evidence sources how gap analysis can be used where digital evidence is not sufficient and the importance of monitoring data sources in a timely manner this book offers standard operating procedures to document how an evidence based presentation should be made featuring legal resources for reviewing digital evidence explores the training needed to ensure competent performance of the handling collecting and preservation of digital evidence discusses the importance of how long term data storage must take into consideration confidentiality integrity and availability of digital evidence emphasizes how incidents identified through proactive monitoring can be reviewed in terms of business risk includes learning aids such as chapter introductions objectives summaries and definitions

this is the first digital forensics book that covers the complete lifecycle of digital evidence and the chain of custody this comprehensive handbook includes international procedures best practices compliance and a companion web site with downloadable forms written by world renowned digital forensics experts

this book is a must for any digital forensics lab it provides anyone who handles digital evidence with a guide to proper procedure throughout the chain of custody from incident response through analysis in the lab a step by step guide to designing building and using a digital forensics lab a comprehensive guide for all roles in a digital forensics laboratory based on international standards and certifications

technosecurity s guide to e discovery and digital forensics provides it security professionals with the information hardware software and procedural requirements needed to create manage and sustain a digital forensics lab and investigative team that can accurately and effectively analyze forensic data and recover digital evidence while preserving the integrity of the electronic evidence for discovery and trial internationally known experts in computer forensics share their years of experience at the forefront of digital forensics bonus chapters on how to build your own forensics lab 50 discount to the upcoming techno forensics conference for everyone who purchases a book

digital forensics investigation and response fourth edition examines the fundamentals of system forensics addresses the tools techniques and methods used to perform computer forensics and investigation and explores incident and intrusion response

the emergence of the world wide smartphones and computer mediated communications cmcs profoundly affect the way in which people interact online and offline individuals who engage in socially unacceptable or outright criminal acts increasingly utilize technology to connect with one another in ways that are not otherwise possible in the real world due to shame social stigma or risk of detection as a consequence there are now myriad opportunities for wrongdoing and abuse through technology this book offers a comprehensive and integrative introduction to cybercrime it is the first to connect the disparate literature on the various types of cybercrime the investigation and detection of cybercrime and the role of digital information and the wider role of technology as a facilitator for social relationships between deviants and criminals it includes coverage of key theoretical and methodological perspectives computer hacking and digital piracy economic crime and online fraud pornography and online sex crime cyber bulling and cyber stalking cyber terrorism and extremism digital forensic investigation and its legal context cybercrime policy this book includes lively and engaging features such as discussion questions boxed examples of unique events and key figures in offending quotes from interviews with active offenders and a full glossary of terms it is supplemented by a companion website that includes further students exercises and instructor resources this text is essential reading for courses on cybercrime cyber deviancy digital forensics cybercrime investigation and the sociology of technology

this textbook describes the theory and methodology of digital forensic examinations presenting examples developed in collaboration with police authorities to

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get started with the art and science of digital forensics with this practical hands on guide about this book champion the skills of digital forensics by understanding the nature of recovering and preserving digital information which is essential for legal or disciplinary proceedings explore new and promising forensic processes and tools based on disruptive technology to regain control of caseloads richard boddington with 10 years of digital forensics demonstrates real life scenarios with a pragmatic approach who this book is for this book is for anyone who wants to get into the field of digital forensics prior knowledge of programming languages any will be of great help but not a compulsory prerequisite what you will learn gain familiarity with a range of different digital devices and operating and application systems that store digital evidence appreciate and understand the function and capability of forensic processes and tools to locate and recover digital evidence develop an understanding of the critical importance of recovering digital evidence in pristine condition and ensuring its safe handling from seizure to tendering it in evidence in court recognise the attributes of digital evidence and where it may be hidden and is often located on a range of digital devices understand the importance and challenge of digital evidence analysis and how it can assist investigations and court cases explore emerging technologies and processes that empower forensic practitioners and other stakeholders to harness digital evidence more effectively in detail digital forensics is a methodology which includes using various tools techniques and programming language this book will get you started with digital forensics and then follow on to preparing investigation plan and preparing toolkit for investigation in this book you will explore new and promising forensic processes and tools based on disruptive technology that offer experienced and budding practitioners the means to regain control of their caseloads during the course of the book you will get to know about the technical side of digital forensics and various tools that are needed to perform digital forensics this book will begin with giving a quick insight into the nature of digital evidence where it is located and how it can be recovered and forensically examined to assist investigators this book will take you through a series of chapters that look at the nature and circumstances of digital forensic examinations and explains the processes of evidence recovery and preservation from a range of digital devices including mobile phones and other media this book has a range of case studies and simulations will allow you to apply the knowledge of the theory gained to real life situations by the end of this book you will have gained a sound insight into digital forensics and its key components style and approach the book takes the reader through a series of chapters that look at the nature and circumstances of digital forensic examinations and explains the processes of evidence recovery and preservation from a range of digital devices including mobile phones and other media the mystery of digital forensics is swept aside and the reader will gain a quick insight into the nature of digital evidence where it is located and how it can be recovered and forensically examined to assist investigators

approximately 80 percent of the worlds population now owns a cell phone which can hold evidence or contain logs about communications concerning a crime cameras pdas and gps devices can also contain information related to corporate policy infractions and crimes aimed to prepare investigators in the public and private sectors digital forensics

this book offers a comprehensive and integrative introduction to cybercrime it provides an authoritative synthesis of the disparate literature on the various types of cybercrime the global investigation and detection of cybercrime and the role of digital information and the wider role of technology as a facilitator for social relationships between deviants and criminals it includes coverage of key theoretical and methodological perspectives computer hacking and malicious software digital piracy and intellectual theft economic crime and online fraud pornography and online sex crime cyber bullying and cyber stalking cyber terrorism and extremism the rise of the dark digital forensic investigation and its legal context around the world the law enforcement response to cybercrime transnationally cybercrime policy and legislation across the globe the new edition has been revised and updated featuring two new chapters the first offering an expanded discussion of cyberwarfare and information operations online and the second discussing illicit market operations for all sorts of products on both the open and dark this book includes lively and engaging features such as discussion questions boxed examples of unique events and key figures in offending quotes from interviews with active offenders and a full glossary of terms it is supplemented by a companion website that includes further exercises for students and instructor resources this text is essential reading for courses on cybercrime cyber deviancy digital forensics cybercrime investigation and the sociology of technology

digital forensics and multimedia forensics are rapidly growing disciplines whereby electronic information is extracted and interpreted for use in a court of law these two fields are finding increasing importance in law enforcement and the investigation of cybercrime as the ubiquity of personal computing and the

internet becomes ever more apparent digital forensics involves investigating computer systems and digital artefacts in general while multimedia forensics is a sub topic of digital forensics focusing on evidence extracted from both normal computer systems and special multimedia devices such as digital cameras this book focuses on the interface between digital forensics and multimedia forensics bringing two closely related fields of forensic expertise together to identify and understand the current state of the art in digital forensic investigation both fields are expertly attended to by contributions from researchers and forensic practitioners specializing in diverse topics such as forensic authentication forensic triage forensic photogrammetry biometric forensics multimedia device identification and image forgery detection among many others key features brings digital and multimedia forensics together with contributions from academia law enforcement and the digital forensics industry for extensive coverage of all the major aspects of digital forensics of multimedia data and devices provides comprehensive and authoritative coverage of digital forensics of multimedia data and devices offers not only explanations of techniques but also real world and simulated case studies to illustrate how digital and multimedia forensics techniques work includes a companion website hosting continually updated supplementary materials ranging from extended and updated coverage of standards to best practice guides test datasets and more case studies

implementing digital forensic readiness from reactive to proactive process second edition presents the optimal way for digital forensic and it security professionals to implement a proactive approach to digital forensics the book details how digital forensic processes can align strategically with business operations and an already existing information and data security program detailing proper collection preservation storage and presentation of digital evidence the procedures outlined illustrate how digital evidence can be an essential tool in mitigating risk and redusing the impact of both internal and external digital incidents disputes and crimes by utilizing a digital forensic readiness approach and stances a company s preparedness and ability to take action quickly and respond as needed in addition this approach enhances the ability to gather evidence as well as the relevance reliability and credibility of any such evidence new chapters to this edition include chapter 4 on code of ethics and standards chapter 5 on digital forensics as a business and chapter 10 on establishing legal admissibility this book offers best practices to professionals on enhancing their digital forensic program or how to start and develop one the right way for effective forensic readiness in any corporate or enterprise setting

in a unique and systematic way this book discusses the security and privacy aspects of the cloud and the relevant cloud forensics cloud computing is an emerging yet revolutionary technology that has been changing the way people live and work however with the continuous growth of cloud computing and related services security and privacy has become a critical issue written by some of the top experts in the field this book specifically discusses security and privacy of the cloud as well as the digital forensics of cloud data applications and services the first half of the book enables readers to have a comprehensive

understanding and background of cloud security which will help them through the digital investigation guidance and recommendations found in the second half of the book part one of security privacy and digital forensics in the cloud covers cloud infrastructure security confidentiality of data access control in cloud iaas cloud security and privacy management hacking and countermeasures risk management and disaster recovery auditing and compliance and security as a service saas part two addresses cloud forensics model challenges and approaches cyberterrorism in the cloud digital forensic process and model in the cloud data acquisition digital evidence management presentation and court preparation analysis of digital evidence and forensics as a service faas thoroughly covers both security and privacy of cloud and digital forensics contributions by top researchers from the u s the european and other countries and professionals active in the field of information and network security digital and computer forensics and cloud and big data of interest to those focused upon security and implementation and incident management logical well structured and organized to facilitate comprehension security privacy and digital forensics in the cloud is an ideal book for advanced undergraduate and master s level students in information systems information technology computer and network forensics as well as computer science it can also serve as a good reference book for security professionals digital forensics practitioners and cloud service providers

understanding the latest capabilities in the cyber threat landscape as well as the cyber forensic challenges and approaches is the best way users and organizations can prepare for potential negative events adopting an experiential learning approach this book describes how cyber forensics researchers educators and practitioners can keep pace with technological advances and acquire the essential knowledge and skills ranging from iot forensics malware analysis and cctv and cloud forensics to network forensics and financial investigations given the growing importance of incident response and cyber forensics in our digitalized society this book will be of interest and relevance to researchers educators and practitioners in the field as well as students wanting to learn about cyber forensics

a practical guide to deploying digital forensic techniques in response to cyber security incidents about this book learn incident response fundamentals and create an effective incident response framework master forensics investigation utilizing digital investigative techniques contains real life scenarios that effectively use threat intelligence and modeling techniques who this book is for this book is targeted at information security professionals forensics practitioners and students with knowledge and experience in the use of software applications and basic command line experience it will also help professionals who are new to the incident response digital forensics role within their organization what you will learn create and deploy incident response capabilities within your organization build a solid foundation for acquiring and handling suitable evidence for later analysis analyze collected evidence and

determine the root cause of a security incident learn to integrate digital forensic techniques and procedures into the overall incident response process integrate threat intelligence in digital evidence analysis prepare written documentation for use internally or with external parties such as regulators or law enforcement agencies in detail digital forensics and incident response will guide you through the entire spectrum of tasks associated with incident response starting with preparatory activities associated with creating an incident response plan and creating a digital forensics capability within your own organization you will then begin a detailed examination of digital forensic techniques including acquiring evidence examining volatile memory hard drive assessment and network based evidence you will also explore the role that threat intelligence plays in the incident response process finally a detailed section on preparing reports will help you prepare a written report for use either internally or in a courtroom by the end of the book you will have mastered forensic techniques and incident response and you will have a solid foundation on which to increase your ability to investigate such incidents in your organization style and approach the book covers practical scenarios and examples in an enterprise setting to give you an understanding of how digital forensics integrates with the overall response to cyber security incidents you will also learn the proper use of tools and techniques to investigate common cyber security incidents such as malware infestation memory analysis disk analysis and network analysis

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

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