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Abstract

Many people today have an iPhone, iPad or iPod. Not many would realize that valuable information is stored on these devices. When a crime occurs, an iOS Device could hold key information to help solve said crime that criminals are not aware are present on the device. This can include GPS information as well as application history on the device itself.

The project I wish to do and complete is to create a class where students can learn the about iOS Forensics. Student will be able to learn the basics of an iDevice, as well as how to work with forensics tools to acquire the information in an efficient manner. The class will also introduce forensic tools that can be used with iOS Devices. These tools can include Open Source and Commercial forensic tools. This class will be offered to both Graduates and Undergraduates at Governors State University. It will act as a beginner's class, for individuals who want to learn more and have an interest in iOS Forensics.

Chapter 1 – Introduction

IOS devices are becoming a bigger part of everyday life. Many people in the world have an iPhone, iPod or iPad. These devices can hold a wealth of information. This information can include contacts, pictures, Short Message Service (SMS) messages and much more. Many users may believe that once something is deleted off the device, it is gone forever. Just like in computer forensics, deleting an item does not mean that it is gone from the device. The item can be retrieved from the device. This can be important for evidence that can be held on the device and can be used in investigations if the opportunity is provided.

Like any field in digital forensics, there are certain procedures and strategies that need to be known to extract the data in a safe and efficient manner. A person cannot just go into a computer and break their way into it to gain the information an investigator would need. This is the same for iOS devices. It is important for individuals to know the correct ways to access this data on the device.

This report will discuss the class that was created for Governors State University, which is called iOS Device Forensics. This class will give an introduction to iOS Forensics for individuals that are interested in this subject. For the book chosen for this class was Andrew Hoog and Katie Strzempka's book *iPhone and iOS Forensics: Investigation, Analysis and Mobile Security for Apple iPhone, iPad, and iOS Devices*. The following chapters in this report will express

what will be covered in each section or chapter, as well as what was learned in each section.

Chapter 2 – Methods

The materials used to find the information for the class was primarily the apple development library[1], Andrew Hoog and Katie Strzempka's book *iPhone and iOS Forensics: Investigation, Analysis and Mobile Security for Apple iPhone, iPad, and iOS Devices* and information that was provided through discussion with Dan O'Day. Some informative websites were also found for additional information. All materials are included in the bibliography at the end of this report.

From the information that was provided or found, PowerPoint presentations were prepared for eleven weeks. These presentations then cover material that would be in that week's class. The students that participate in the class will also become familiar with the tool iPhone Analyzer, which can be found at crypticbit.com.

The class will also include a final project, will have students doing a hands on project. The students will be able use what they have learned to retrieve data from a device or backup. This project will take up the last three weeks in the semester. Once finished with the project, students will then be able to present their work for other classmates.

Undergraduate vs Graduate

It should be understood that there will be an undergraduate section and a graduate section for the class. The graduates that will be in this class will have to

[1] (Apple)

complete a paper as part of their grade. The paper has a few options that the student can choose from. One of these choices is the student will chose a tool in iOS device forensics to research on. They will give details on where the tool was found, what the tool is able to do and how the tool is unique. Another topic that the student may choose is to pick a feature on the new iOS 8 and explain the pros and cons for it. Students will explore the feature and give insight on how this feature could be of use in a digital forensics investigation.

Chapter 3 – Week One: Introduction to iOS Forensics

This is the first week of class for the students. This is the time that the students will be able to go over the syllabus and ask any questions that they would have. This week will also touch on why these devices are important. As stated before, these devices have the capability to store valuable information that could be of use in investigations.

Students will also be able to learn about the different iOS versions that have been offered up to the point of today's current version of iOS, which is iOS 8. Students will also learn about the different models for iPods, iPads and iPhones. Forensic artifacts, which are known as something that would be of interest, are discussed along with the difference between Logical[2] and Physical[3] Acquisitions. The difference between technical analysis and 'Forensic' examination is.

[2] Copying the active file system from a device into another file.
[3] A physically bit-by-bit copy of the file system that is created.

A technical analysis is used to authenticate data through explanation of the technical features of the data. A 'Forensic' Examination attempts to understand the evidence that is found from the acquisition. In simpler terms, the analysis explains how to get the evidence whereas an examination determines whether or not a conclusion of guilty or not guilty.

PowerPoint Presentation for Week One

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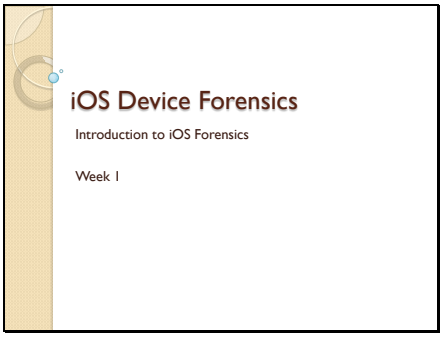

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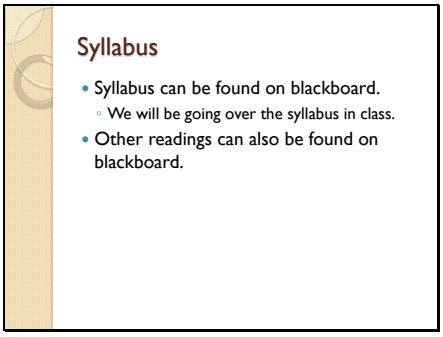

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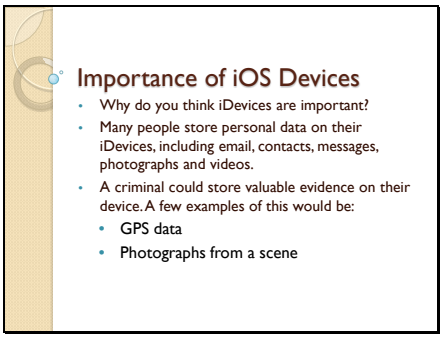

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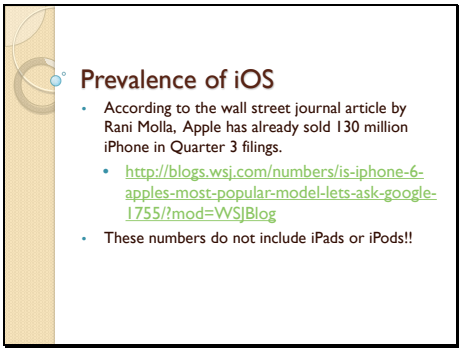

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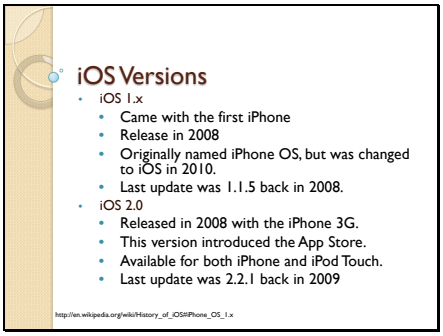

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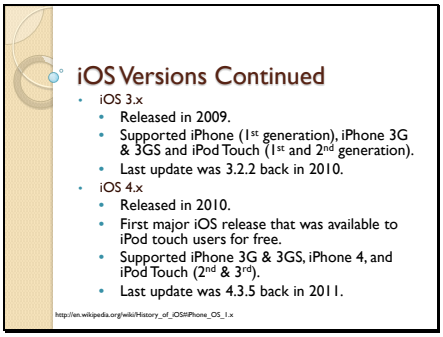

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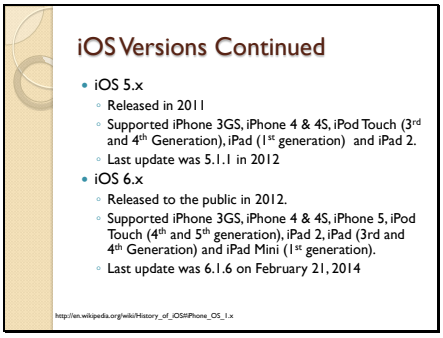

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iOS Versions Continued

- iOS 7.x
  - Released in 2013
  - Supported iPhone 4 & 4S, iPhone 5, 5C & 5S, iPod Touch (5th Generation), iPad 2, iPad (3rd & 4th generation) and iPad Mini (1st generation).
  - Final release was June 30, 2014.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_iOS#iPhone_OS_1.x

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iOS Versions Continued

- iOS 8.x
  - Most recent version of iOS.
  - Announced June 2, 2014.
  - Will support iPhone 4S, iPhone 5C, 5S, iPhone 6, iPhone 6 Plus, iPod Touch (5th generation), iPad 2, iPad (3rd & 4th generation), iPad Air, iPad Mini (1st & 2nd generation)

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iPhone Models

- These years are when the device was discontinued.

	Final OS Version	Year
iPhone	3.1.3	2008
iPhone 3G	4.2.1	2010
iPhone 3GS	6.1.6	2012
iPhone 4	7.1.2	2013
iPhone 4S	-	2013
iPhone 5	-	2013
iPhone 5C	-	-
iPhone 5S	-	-
iPhone 6	-	-
iPhone 6 Plus	-	-

There are no final OS versions for iPhone 4S and higher because they can still receive software updates.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_iOS_devices

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iPod Models

	Final OS Version	8GB	16GB	32GB	64GB
1st Generation	3.1.3	2008	2008	2008	-
2nd Generation	4.2.1	2010	2009	2009	-
3rd Generation	5.1.1	2010	-	2010	2010
4th Generation	6.1.6	2012	2013	2013	2012
5th Generation	-	-	-	-	-

Only the 5th Generation is still receiving updates

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iPad Models

	Final OS Version	16GB	32GB	64GB	128G
1st Generation	5.1.1	2011	2011	2011	-
2nd Generation	-	March 2014	2012	2012	-
3rd Generation	-	2012	2012	2012	-
4th Generation	-	-	-	-	-
iPad Air	-	-	-	-	-
iPad Mini (1st Generation)	-	-	-	-	-
iPad Mini (2nd Generation)	-	-	-	-	-

Find more details about these devices here:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_iOS_devices

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Forensic Artifacts of Value

- What is a forensic artifact?
  - Also known as a digital artifact, it is the device that is being looked at.
    - i.e., Computer, email message, hard drive, iDevice
  - A Forensic Artifact would be something that you would find of interest.
    - In the case of a crime, it would be an odd message or incriminating photograph.
- So what are some forensic artifacts of value in iDevices?
  - GPS Data
  - Deleted Photographs
  - Deleted emails that are supicious

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Logical vs Physical Acquisition

- Logical Acquisition
  - Copying the active file system from the device into another file.
    - Page 119, iPhone and iOS Forensics by Andrew Hoog
- 1st technique often used by Analysts.
- Some tool that use logical acquisitions will also provide a reporting system.
  - Problem with the reporting system may be that the examiner can view the data, but not view the source. i.e., you can see the website, but not the date and time it was visited.

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Logical vs Physical Acquisitions

- Physical
  - This type of acquisition is similar to how a hard drive is forensically imaged.
    - A physical bit-by-bit copy of the file system is created. This provides more data to be examined, including deleted data. However, they are more difficult to execute.
- We will discuss Physical Acquisitions in more detail in week 9.

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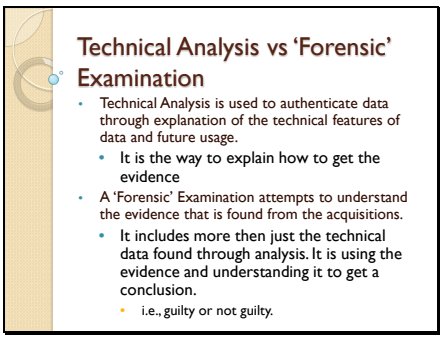

Chapter 4 – Week Two: iDevice Hardware

In week two, students will become familiar with the hardware in an iDevice. Most iPods, iPhones and iPads have a solid state drive. This drive is called a NAND flash. What this drive does is it uses memory to store the data, rather than having an actual drive in the device. The hardware section also includes file systems that are stored on the device. Most iDevices will use a HFS+ type file system. This is important to know because this is where the data can be contained.

There is a folder[4] within the file system that is discussed that allows the user to see the folders containing Application, Library and Media. The Application folder contains the applications that are stored on the device. The media folder contains all the pictures, videos and other media type data on the device. The library may have the most useful data. This folder contains the address book, calendar, favorites, mail, and messages.

[4] /private/var2/mobile

Students will learn about the disk partitioning scheme of an iDevice in this week as well. The device has two partitions. The first partition contains the firmware, where the second partition contains the data. Encryption is discussed, from version iOS 3 to iOS 8. Students will also learn about the operating modes. The modes include Normal, Recovery and DFU. The presentation slides also give students insight on how to access these modes. The presentation concludes with telling students what the difference between a soft reset, which doesn't lose data, and a hard reset, which resets the entire device.

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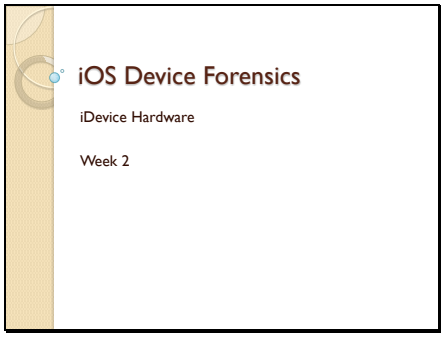

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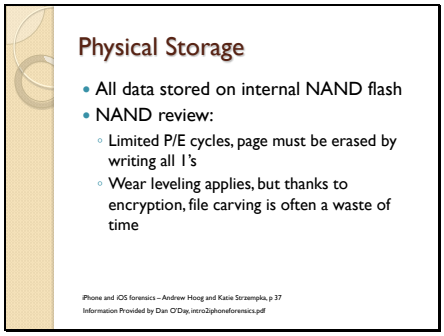

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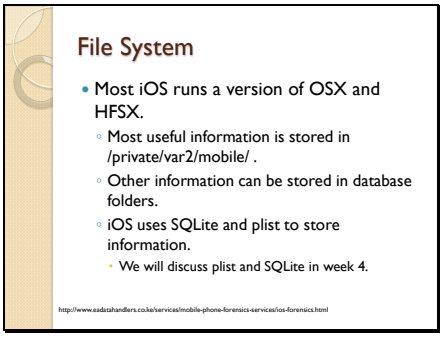

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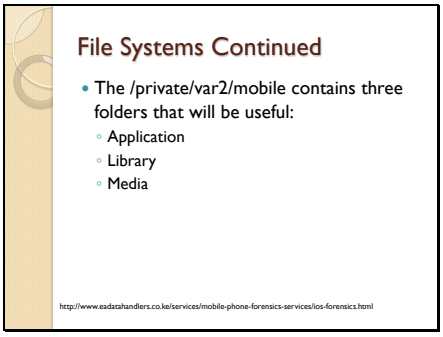

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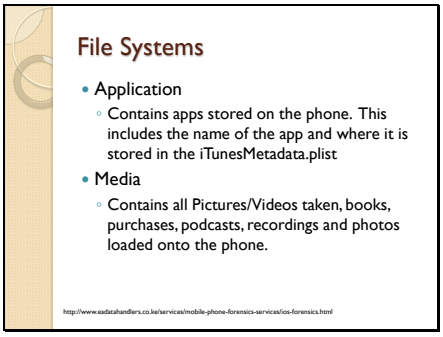

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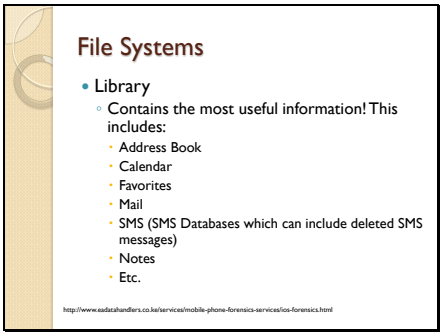

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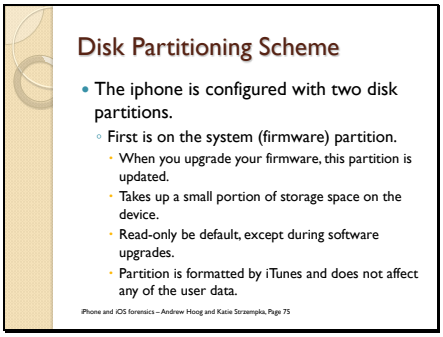

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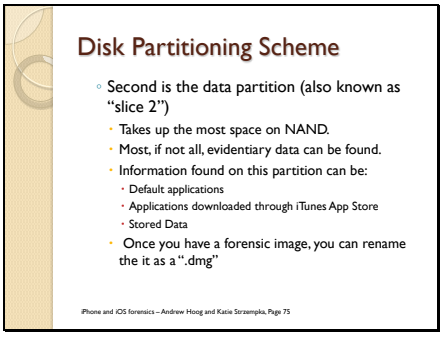

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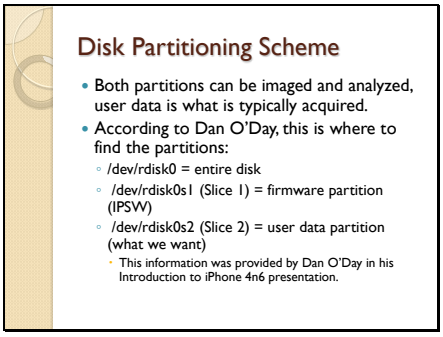

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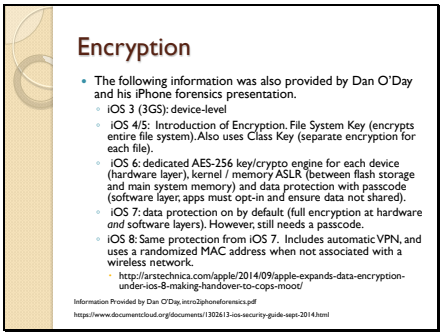

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Encryption

- Good News though!
- File system is mostly unlocked once device is booted up
- Baseline encryption is NOT tied to passcode/PIN
- Data protection is, however - but only if passcode/PIN enabled!
- According to arstechnica.com, with iOS 8, even with a warrant, Apple is unable to gain entry into the device. It is protected by the user's passcode.
  - Need the passcode to get the information.

Information Provided by Dan O'Day, intro2iphoneforensics.pdf
http://arstechnica.com/apple/2014/09/apple-expands-data-encryption-under-ios-8-making-handover-to-cops-moot/

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Operating Modes

- Normal Mode
  - Every day use of the device
- Recovery and DFU
  - To perform certain functions, must place device in device failsafe utility (DFU) or recovery mode
  - Bypasses loading of OS
  - DFU mode = black screen
  - Recovery mode

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Operating Modes

- Recovery mode
  - Power off device
  - Hold down Home button and plug in while holding

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Operating Modes

- How to verify your in DFU mode:
  - DFU mode = black screen
  - Connect device and ensure powered off
  - Hold down Power + Home for about 10 seconds
  - Release Power, but continue holding Home for about 10 more seconds
  - Release Home button (screen should now be black)
  - Mac Terminal command:

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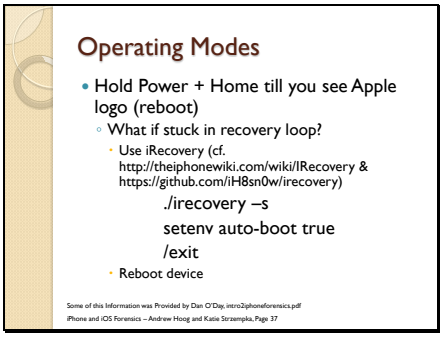

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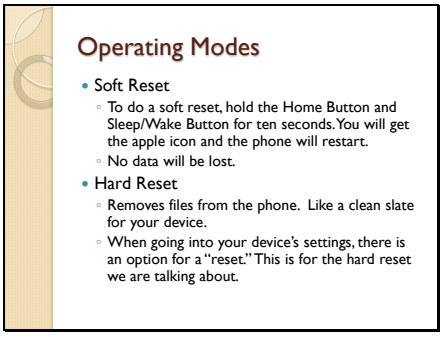

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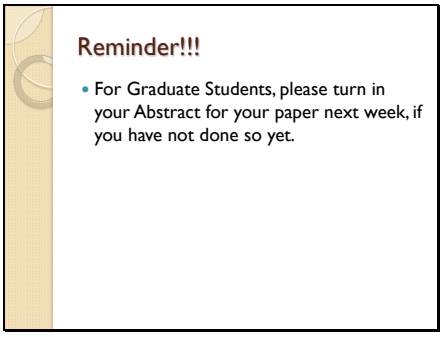

Chapter 5 – Week Three: iOS Operating System

This presentation will go into iOS 7 and iOS 8. These two operating systems are the most used, with iOS 7 quickly being replaced with iOS 8. The operating system for an iOS device has four main layers: the Core OS, Core Services, Media and Cocoa Touch.

The Core OS contains low-level features. These features can include networking and Memory management. Along with these features, the framework and keychain services are found in this layer of the OS.[5] Keychain services work with certificates on the device.

Core Services are responsible for holding the technologies to support certain features. A few of these features include Location, iCloud, Social Media and Networking. As in the Core OS, Keychain Services are also implemented in this layer. To put simply, Keychain services allow data storage and protection within the keychain database that is on the device.[6] The Media layer[7] of the device holds the graphics, audio and video technologies for the device. This is good to know in a forensics setting. That is because some evidence that can be found on an iOS device can be video, picture, audio or a combination of one or more of these areas.

The last layer is the Cocoa Touch[8]. This layer contains the infrastructure for how the device looks. This can also include information on multitasking, push notifications and touch-based input for the device. What is meant by touch-based input is the device recognizing when a user touches the screen on the iDevice. The framework for the user's Address Book can also be found on this layer.

[5] (Apple, 2014)
[6] (Apple, 2014)
[7] (Apple, 2014)
[8] (Apple, 2014)

The presentation slides for this week touch on the differences between iOS 8 and iOS 7. IOS 8 has more capabilities in photo editing and notifications are also easier to manage. IOS 8 also has some new features, which include HealthKit and the new Apple Pay system. The week concludes with a glimpse into Third Party Applications. Third Party Applications are applications that are not apple approved. The two locations were applications can be stored, /var/mobile/Application and var/stash/Application, are shown to the students. A device normally has to be jailbroken (which will be discussed in week 8) in order for these types of applications to be installed.

PowerPoint Presentation for Week Three

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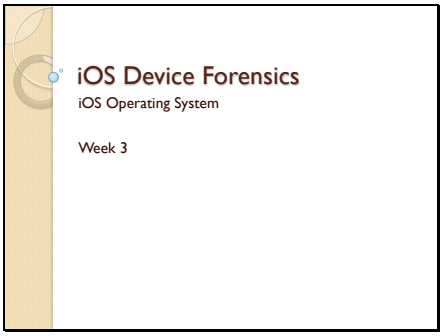

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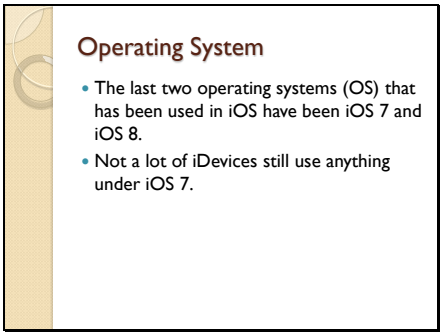

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Operating System

- There are many layers to iOS, which is simliar to the Mac OS.
- The layers we will focus on at the moment are:
  - Core OS
  - Core Services
  - Media
  - Cocoa Touch

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Operating System

- Core OS
  - This layer contains low-level features, such as networking, access to external accessories, and memory management/file system handling.
  - Framework can be found in this layer, which will deal with Security or Communication with external hardware.
  - Helps the Core Services layer's Keychain Services by creating and managing certificates.
    - https://developer.apple.com/Library/ios/documentation/Miscellaneous/Conceptual/iPhoneOSTechOverview/CoreOSLayer/CoreOSLayer.html#//apple_ref/doc/uid/TP40007898-CH11-SW1

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Operating System

- Core Services
  - Contains the fundamental system services that applications use.
  - This is mainly C-based. Why?
    - To allow file access and low-level data types.
  - Important services are Core Foundation and Foundation Frameworks. Why?
    - They define the basic types that all applications use.
  - Also contains individual technologies to support features for:
    - Location
    - iCloud
    - Social Media
    - Networking

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Operating Systems

- Core Services Continued
  - Security Services are also found on this layer.
    - This includes Keychain Services. What are keychain services?
      - Keychain Services are used to implement data storage and cryptographic function within the keychain database on the device.
    - Along with security services, we can find that data protection is in this layer, among other important features in the iphone.
  - https://developer.apple.com/Library/ios/documentation/Miscellaneous/Conceptual/iPhoneOSTechOverview/CoreServicesLayer/CoreServicesLayer.html#//apple_ref/doc/uid/TP40007898-CH10-SW5

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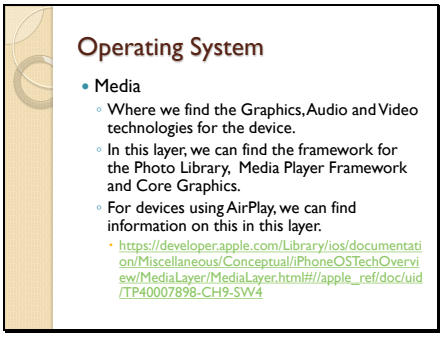

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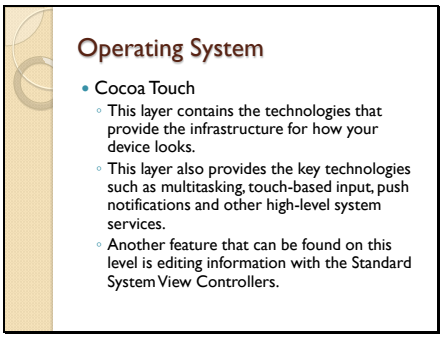

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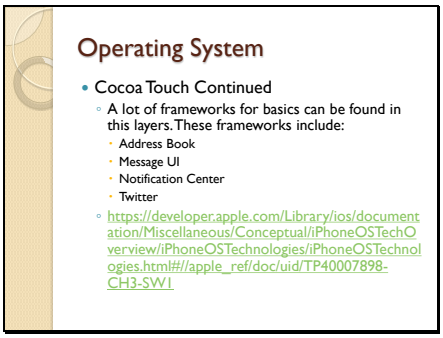

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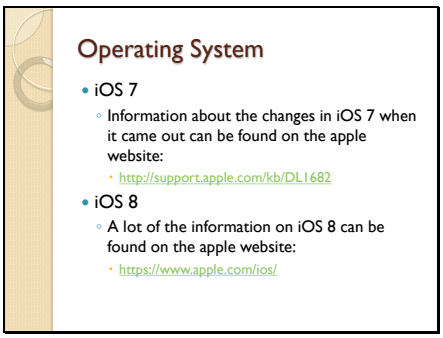

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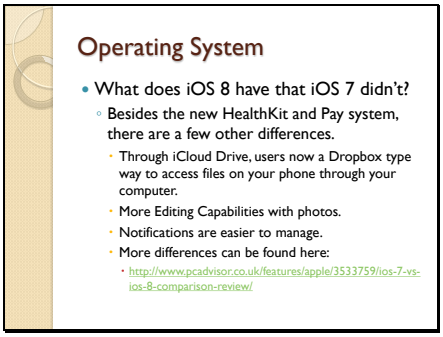

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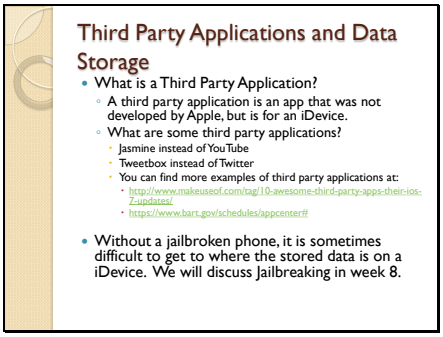

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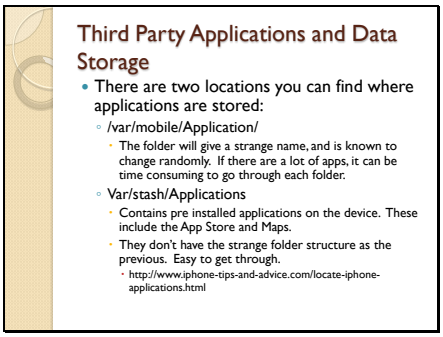

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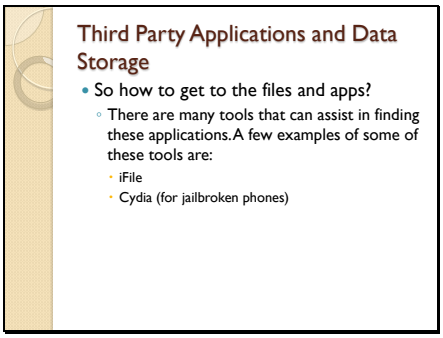

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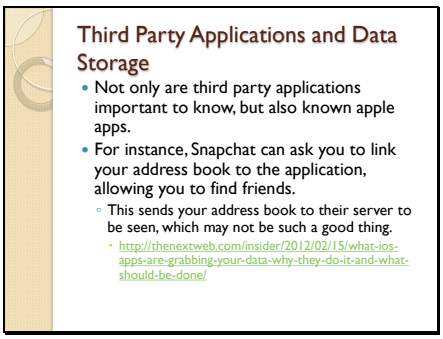

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Chapter 6 – Week Four and Week Five

Weeks four and five both deal heavily in SQLite, which is a version of Structured Query Language (SQL). SQL will be discussed in more detail within week four's summary.

Week Four: Common File Types

Week four begins with an explanation of Property Lists (plist) and Binary Property Lists (bplist). A property list, or plist, are data representations used to store, organize and access various data types on the device, according to the apple developer library. A Binary Property List, or bplist, is similar to plist. The file size is condensed by storing certain files in binary. This allowed the application to run more efficiently. The data that can be found in plists are strings, number, binary

data and dates. To traverse this data, it is good to know SQLite[9], seeing as this is a well-known database that iOS devices tend to use. SQL is known to be a relational database management engine and, according to sqlite.org, is the most widely deployed database engine.

A relational database means that it contains tables. These tables then have a Primary Key, which is a unique identifier for a record. These tables also have a Foreign Key, which shows a relationship between records on different tables. This is the basic structure for this type of database. The tables then have different types of data that can be stored. These data can be identified as NULL, Integer[10], Real[11], Text[12] or BLOB[13]. The lecture continues to give students examples of how to do queries in SQLite with a table. One-To-One relationships and One-To-Many relationships are explained in this week's lecture as well, along with examples. An example for a JOIN, which joins the two tables to gain a result, is given to students to help understand how it works.

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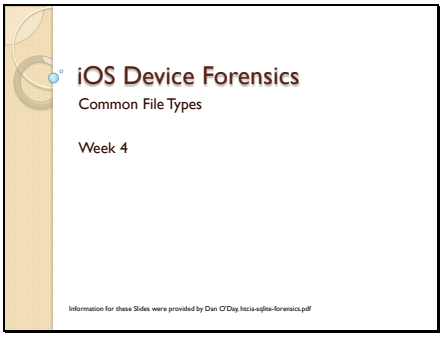

[9] A part of SQL
[10] Signed integer, 1-8 bytes
[11] Floating point value, 8-Byte IEEE
[12] Text string, encoded UTF-8 or 16
[13] Binary large object

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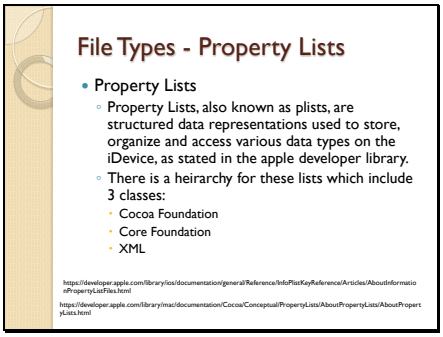

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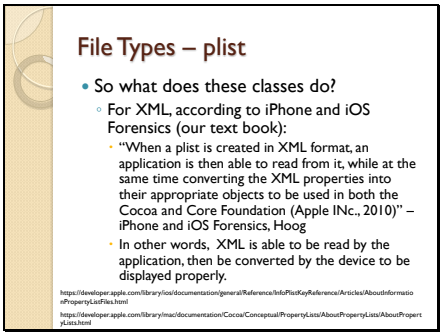

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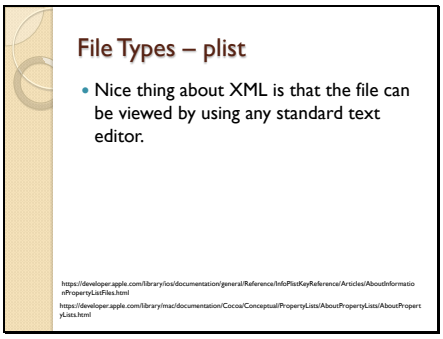

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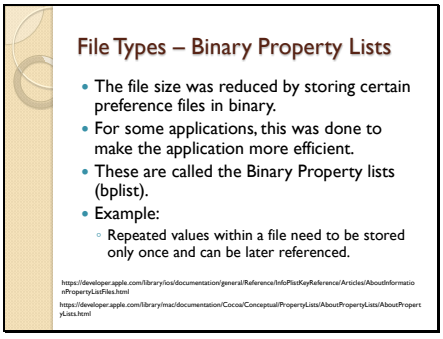

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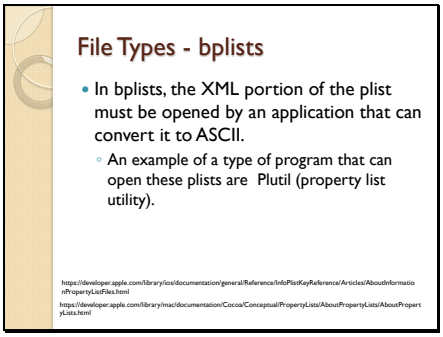

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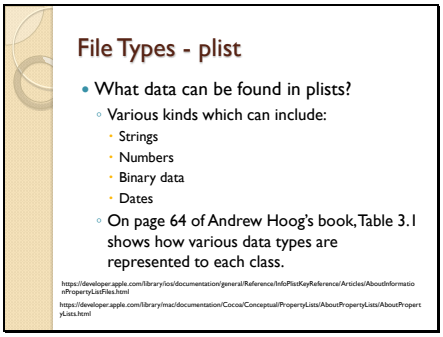

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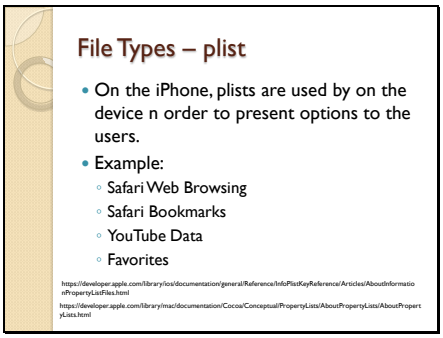

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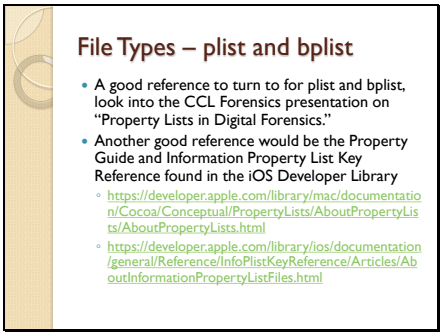

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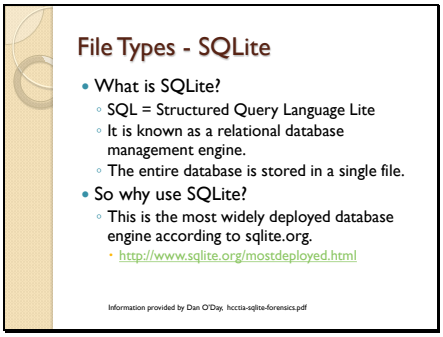

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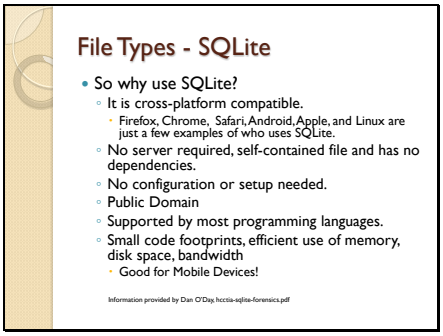

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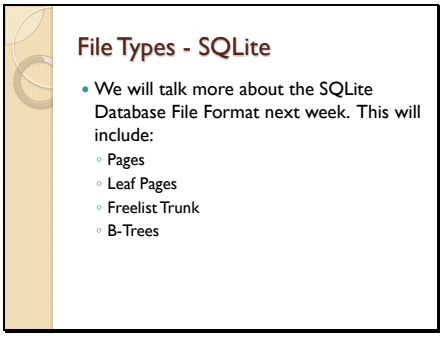

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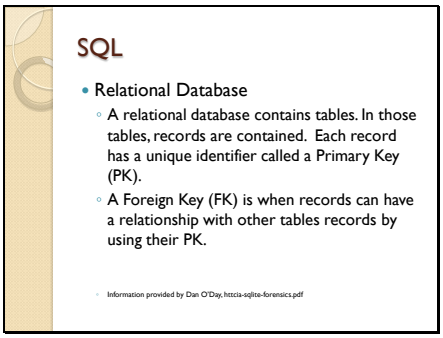

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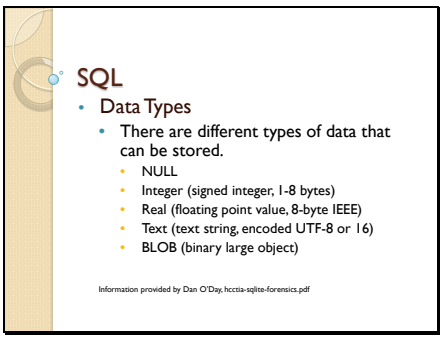

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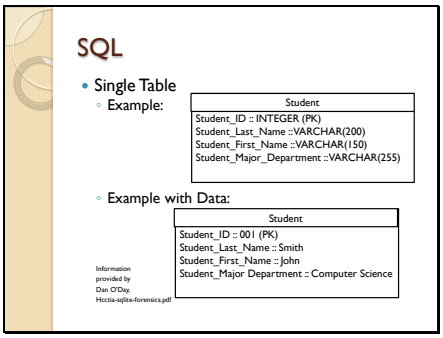

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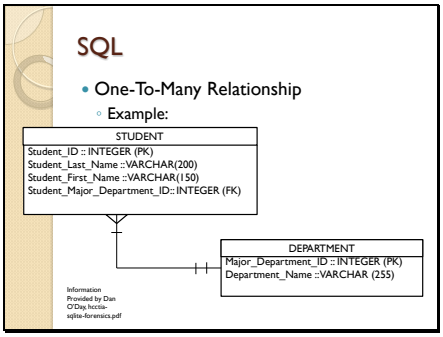

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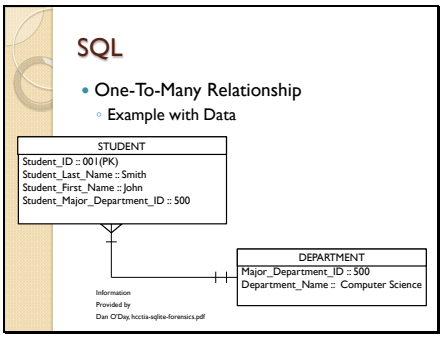

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SQL

- Parsing Date/Time
  - To parse the date/time of an iOS in SQL, you would do the following query:
    - SELECT DATETIME (column_name, 'unixepoch', ['localtime'])
      - iOS (Epoch: 1/1/2001) :Add 978307200 seconds to timestamp

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SQL

- How to write Basic SQL Queries
  - A good reference would be the sample database found on Chinook.
    - HTTP://CHINOOKDATABASE.CODEPLEX.COM

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SQL Queries

These queries are for a SINGLE table. These same methods can be used for a one-to-many relationship later on.

SELECT * FROM STUDENT;

Student_ID	Student_Last Name	Student_First_Name	Student_Major_Department
001	Smith	John	Computer Science
002	Jones	Betsy	Information Technology
003	Johnson	Alex	English
004	Martinez	Joe	Computer Science

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SQL Queries

SELECT Student_Last_Name, Student_Major_Department_Name from STUDENT;

Student_Last_Name	Student_Major_Department_Name
Smith	Computer Science
Jones	Information Technology
Johnson	English
Martinez	Computer Science

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SQL Queries

```
SELECT DISTINCT
Student_Major_Department_Name FROM
STUDENT BY
Student_Major_Department_Name
```

Student_Major_Department_Name
Computer Science
Computer Science
English
Information Techonology

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SQL Queries

```
SELECT
    Student_ID,
    Student_Last_Name,
    Student_Major_Department_Name
FROM STUDENT
WHERE Student_ID > 002
ORDER BY Student_Last_Name;
```

Student_ID	Student_Last_Name	Student_Major_Department_Name
003	Johnson	English
004	Martinez	Computer Science

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SQL Queries

```
SELECT
    Student_ID,
    Student_Last_Name,
     Student_Major_Department_Name
FROM STUDENT
WHERE Student_Major_Department_Name='Information Technology'
    AND Student_ID=002
ORDER BY Student_Last_Name DESC;
```

Student_ID	Student_Last_Name	Student_Major_Department_Name
002	Jones	Information Technology

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SQL Queries

```
SELECT
    Student_ID AS id,
    Student_Last_Name AS last,
    Student_Major_Department_Name AS major
FROM STUDENT
WHERE last LIKE 'Smi%';
```

Id	Last	major
001	Smith	Computer Science

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SQL Queries

WHERE Clause Operators

Operator	Description
=	Equal (also IS)
<>	Not equal (also != and IS NOT)
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<=	Less than or equal to
BETWEEN	Between an inclusive range
LIKE	Search for a pattern
IN	Specify multiple possible values for a column

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SQL Queries

Wildcard Operators

Operator	Description
%	Substitute for 0+ characters
_	Substitute for 1 character (underscore)

Other Operator

Operator	Description
||	String concatenation operator

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SQL Queries

Basic (Aggregate Functions)

Operator	Decription
avg(n)	Average of all non-NULL values in n column
count(n)	Count instances of given non-NULL column
lower(x)	Returns x as lowercase ASCII string
upper(x)	Returns x as uppercase ASCII string
max(n)	Returns maximum value in column n
min(n)	Returns minimum value in column n
sum(n)	Sums all non-NULL values (prone to errors if bad or unexpected input is given)
total(n)	Sums all non-NULL values and returns floating point value

http://www.sqlite.org/lang_aggfunc.html#minggunc

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SQL Queries

These next Query examples will be for one-to-many relationships.

SELECT * FROM DEPARTMENT;

Major_Department_ID	Department_Name
500	Computer Science
600	Information Technology
700	English

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SQL Queries

SELECT * FROM STUDENT

Student_ID	Student_Last Name	Student_First_Name	Student_Major_Department:_ID
001	Smith	John	500
002	Jones	Betsy	600
003	Johnson	Alex	700
004	Martinez	Joe	500

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SQL Queries

```
SELECT m.Student_Last_Name AS LN, a.Department_Name
FROM STUDENT
JOIN DEPARTMENT a
    ON m.Student_Major_Department_ID = a.Major_Department_ID
ORDER BY LN;
```

LN	Department_Name
Jones	Information Technology
Johnson	English
Martinez	Computer Science
Smith	Computer Science

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SQL Statements

- JOIN Statements
  - What are these?
    - They return all rows from multiple tables where the join condition.
    - The default for JOIN is an INNER JOIN.
    - SQLite limits the JOIN funcationality, however.
      - This means there is no RIGHT or FULL OUTER JOIN

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SQL - JOIN

INNER JOIN
(default JOIN)

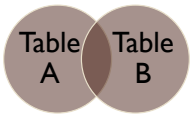

TABLE A

Id	B_id	Name
1	2	iDevices
2	1	This Class
3		NULL

TABLE B

Id	name
1	is interesting
2	rock
3	Is boring

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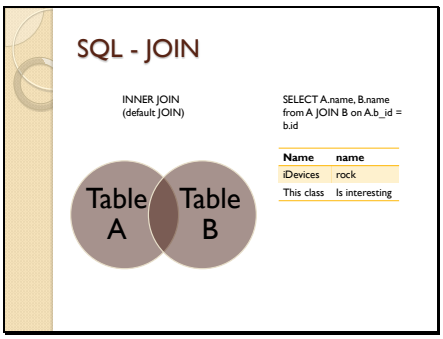

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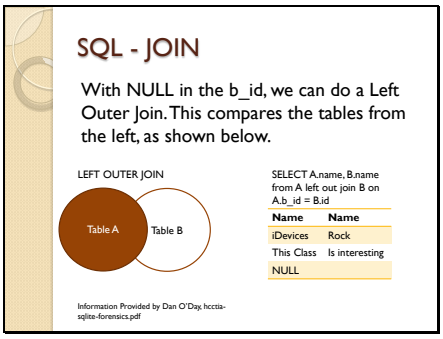

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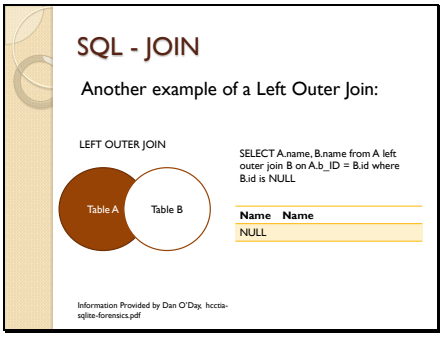

Week Five: Advanced SQLite Analysis

Week five continues with SQLite analysis, giving a bit more detail about the pages in SQL. Page size is discussed, expressing that a SQLite database can grow to 140 terabytes. These pages can be used for a single purpose which could be the following options: Lock-Byte, Freelist, B-Tree, Payload or Pointer.

The Lock-Byte page is not used by SQLite, but its purpose is to lock a file. Freelist are not active pages. However, this is an important page to know because

this is the page where deleted data may reside within the database. If a criminal has deleted incriminating evidence on an iOS device, the data may not have been erased from the device. It could be stored, and eventually found, in this area. These pages are organized by trunk pages, which hold numbers for the freelist leaf pages. Now a trunk page contains arrays that contain 4-byte integers. These bytes translate where the data can be found. For instance, the first number contains the page number of the next freelist trunk page, were as the second number is the number of leaf page pointers it follows. A leaf page contains no information that is used in the database because SQLite does not read or write.

A B-Tree, also known as Binary Trees, contain key and data storage. SQLite recognizes two types of B-Trees: Table and Index. Table b-trees store data in leaves, which has a key that corresponds to a row id. An index b-tree has only keys, where no data is stored. With that in mind, a B-Tree page can be one of two things: An interior page or a leaf page. An interior page contains keys with pointers to page numbers. However, a leaf page only contains keys. If the table b-tree is a leaf page, each key will have associated data.

Payload is important for index b-trees. The payload is the arbitrary length section of the table. When the payload exceeds threshold, only the first few bytes are stored on the b-tree. The balance is stored in a linked list. This information is key to know when looking through plists.

This week's presentation also introduces a Many-To-Many relationship in SQL databases, as well as CASE statements. A CASE statement looks through a

list of conditions, and returns one of many possible results. SQLite temporary files are also introduced, which include WAL files, Shared-Memory files, Temporary Databases, and rollback journals. A rollback journal allows restoration of a database. This can be very useful in the case of a corrupted database. The presentation goes into detail of how a rollback journal is done, which includes a series of locks on the journal until the new rollback is created. When this is done, the lock is released. Similar to a rollback journal is the Write-Ahead log. This is faster for applications with more writing permissions than read permissions. The write-ahead log allows for multiple transactions to occur, where the rollback journal does not.

Week five's presentation concludes with Deleted Record Recovery. Not many would know that even if data is deleted off of a device, it does not mean that the data is gone, due to free pages and the other pages discussed during this lecture. To try and recover this data, examiners would carve for the database. By carve, we mean to reconstruct. When an examiner states that they will be carving for database, they will be attempting to reconstruct the database to gain information. The examiner would then parse the trees for the information. Students will be informed that the entire database will not be recovered. What is suggested is that they carve for individual SQLite records. It is also mentioned that most approaches are proprietary to tool manufactures in mobile device forensics.

PowerPoint Presentation for Week Five

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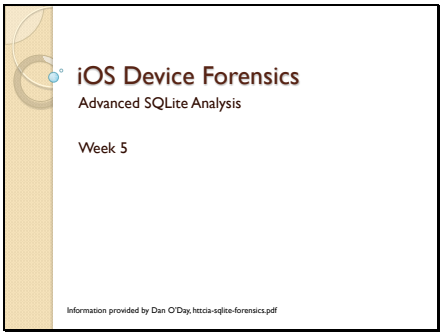

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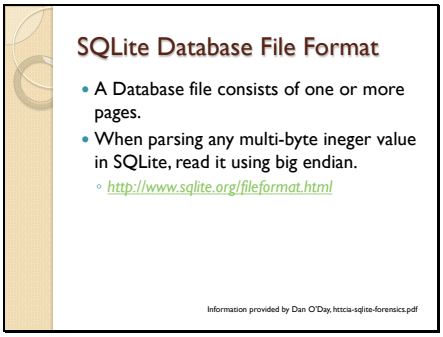

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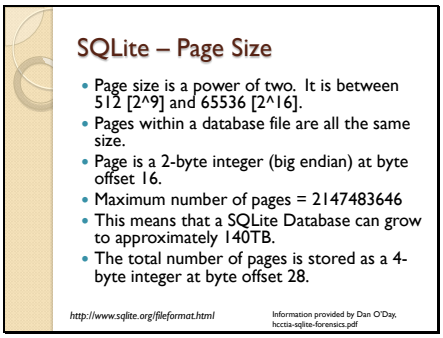

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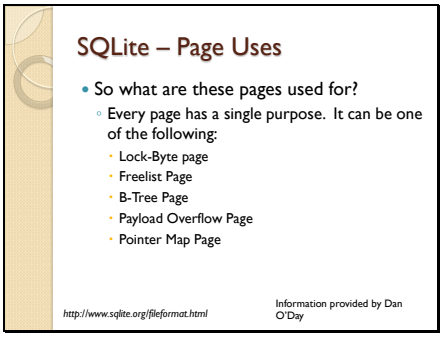

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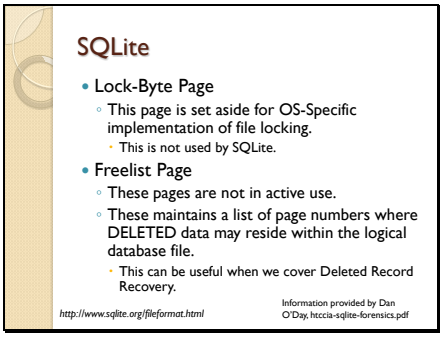

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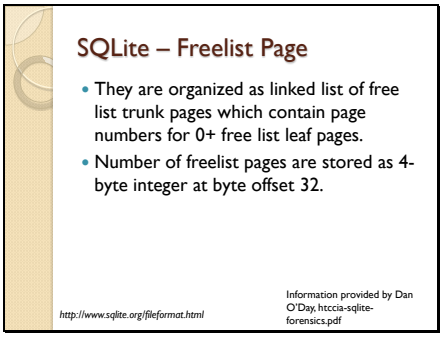

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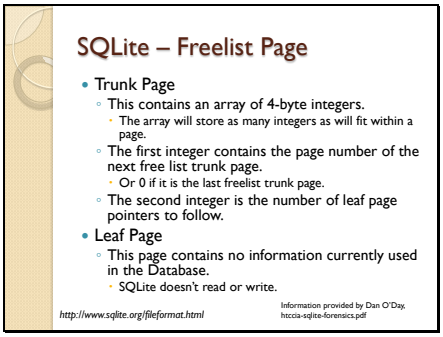

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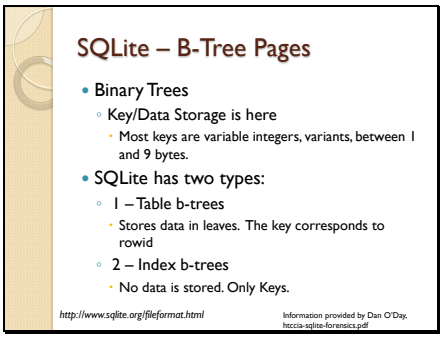

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SQLite – B-Tree Pages

- The B-Tree page is either:
  - An interior page
    - The keys with pointers to child b-tree pages. i.e., page #
    - Key + pointer on left = "cell"
  - Leaf Page
    - It contains keys
    - If table b-tree each key will have associated data.

http://www.sqlite.org/fileformat.html

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SQLite – Payload

- The "payload" of a cell = arbitrary length section
  - For index b-trees this is key!
  - For table b-tree leaf pages this is the content, and interior table b-trees have no payload.
- When payload exceeds theshold, only the first few bytes are stored on the b-tree page.
- Balance is stored in a linked list of content overflow pages.
- First four bytes of payload overflow page stores page number of next page in chain.
- Overflow:
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SQLite – Pointer Map

- Extra pages inserted into the database to make VACUUM more efficient.
  - VACUUM will be discussed more later.
- All other page types in database have pointers from parent to child.
  - Pointer Map (ptrmap) is the exact opposite.
  - Pointers are from child to parent.
- Page 2 is a Ptrmap when AUTO_VACUUM is enabled.
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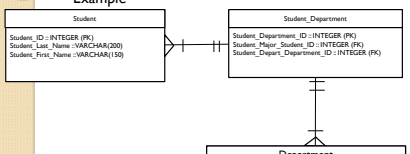
SQL

- Many-To-Many Relationship
  - Example



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SQL

- The Tables we will use for examples for Many-To-Many Relationships:

Student

Student_ID	Student_Last_Name	Student_First_Name
001	Smith	John

Department

Major_Department_ID	Department_Name
500	Computer Science

Student_Department

Student_Department_ID	Student_Department_Student_ID	Student_Depart_Deparment_ID
1	001	500

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SQL – CASE Statements

- CASE Statements
  - Using the Chinook database, we know the type values:
    - 1 is sent
    - 2 is received
    - 3 is an error
  - We also know the flag values:
    - R is read
    - U is unread

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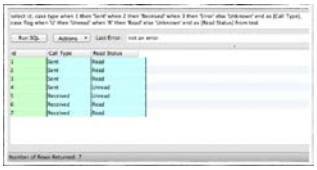
SQL – CASE Statements

- This is an example using what we learned last week to work with CASE statements.



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SQLite - Rollback Journal

- What is a rollback journal?
  - This allows restoration of a database to its original state.
  - When writing to a database with a rollback journal, it creates the rollback journal file with original data being altered.
  - It is stored in the same folder as the database with '-journal' filename suffix.
  - This is the default behavior of SQLite.

http://www.sqlite.org/atomiccommit.html

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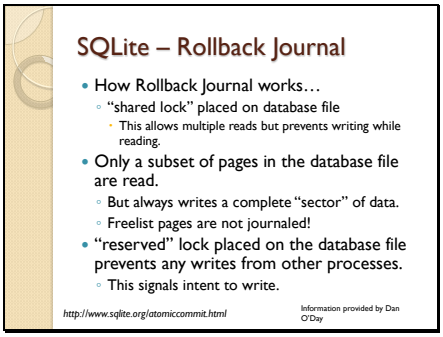

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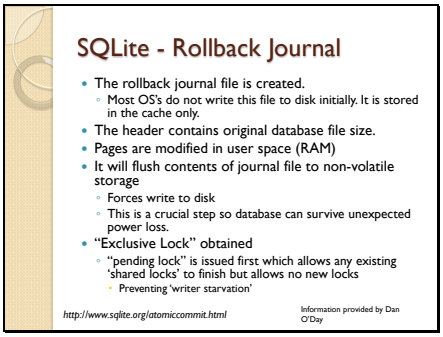

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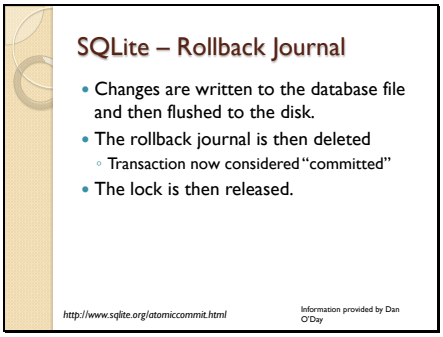

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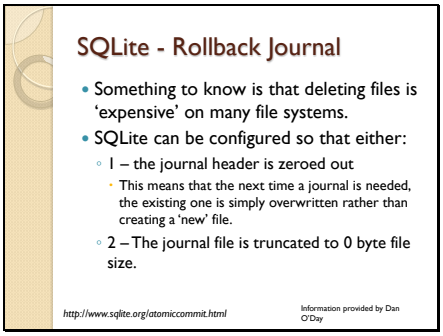

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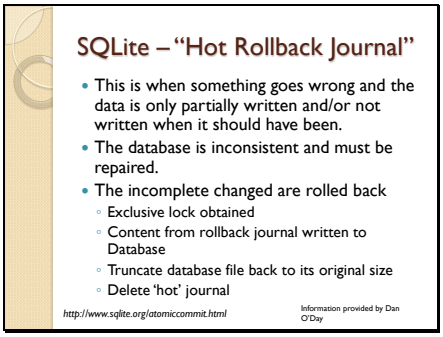

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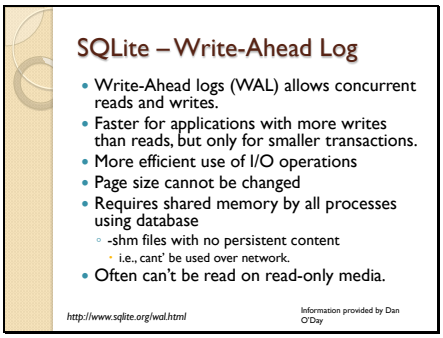

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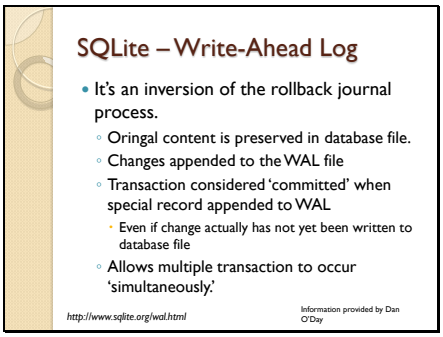

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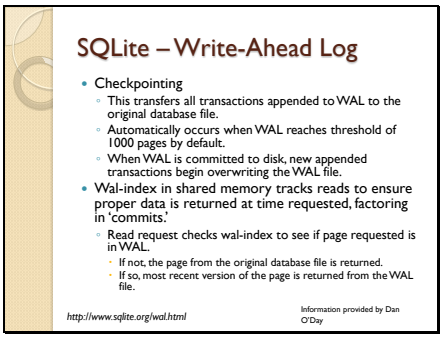

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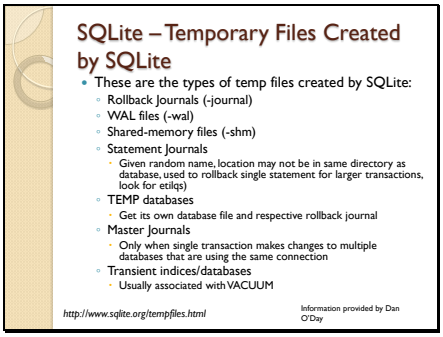

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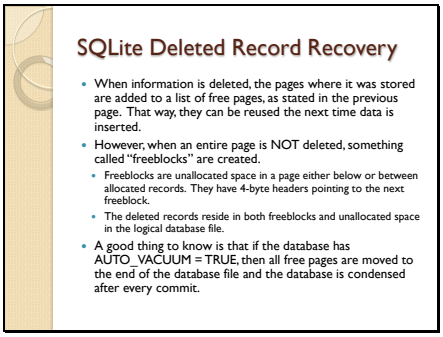

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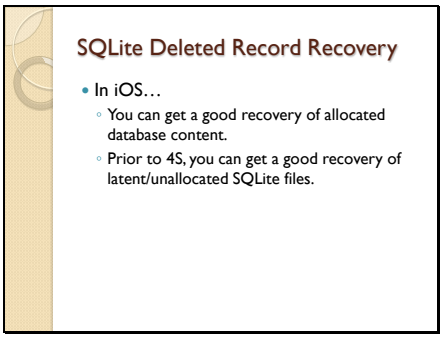

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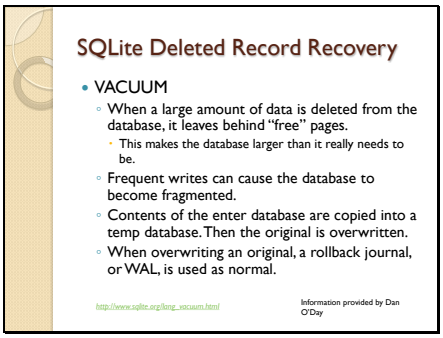

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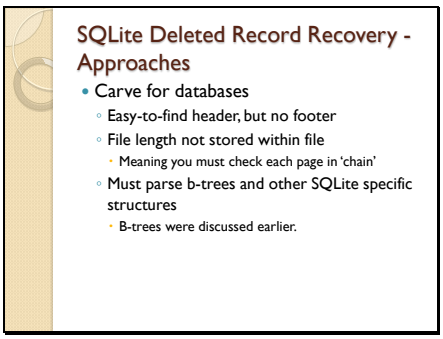

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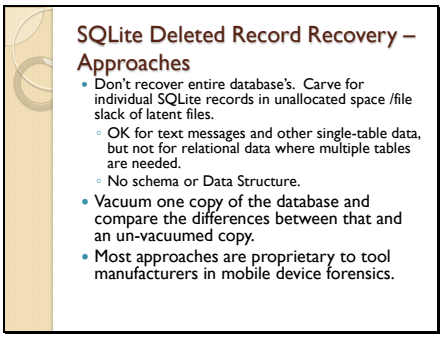

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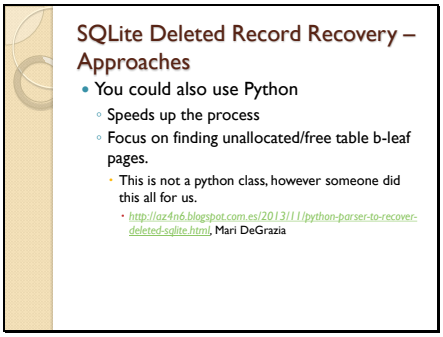

Chapter 7 – Week Six: Analysis Strategies and Commercial Tools

Week six begins with file carving. File carving was discussed briefly in the previous week. To refresh, file carving is a process that specifies file types, which are searched and extracted. [14] File carving examines the binary data, and then identifies the file based on their file header. It is also good to know that if

[14] (Hoog & Strzempka, Acquistions: File Carving, 2011)

the file format has a known header; it will be scanned from header until it does find the footer. Only when these steps are done, the data is saved to a disk for examination.

During file carving, one should remember that files do not always stay pristine. Files are sometimes fragmented, similar to a computer having fragmented files. It is important to know about fragment files because when the file carving techniques require that the data is sequential in the image. What this just means is that the carving will not produce a full file it is fragmented.

Fragmenting can happen in many ways. One way for fragmenting can occur is the memory type, as well as the process of saving a file to nonvolatile storage. This can also mean that larger files, such as videos, are harder to recover. The process of file carving normally includes a configuration file for the tool, the data carving tool itself and the disk image that has the desired data. The tool will find the data, and the results will be grouped by the file type upon completion.

Students will learn about string extractions. Strings are extracted using ASCII[15] printable strings. This type of extraction is normally used on a Linux workstation. In this setting, these strings are normally at least four characters long. This type of analysis is effective for quick examination for information that can be of interest. However, this technique is not refined. [16]

[15] American Standard Code for Information Interchange. This is a code that represents a single unique character.
[16] (Hoog & Strzempka, Acquisitions: Strings, 2011)

When doing this type of analysis, there are a few options to keep in mind, which are given to the students. For instance, "—all" options tell strings to examine the entire file and "—radix" options tell strings to print the offset within the file where the string is found.[17] The "—radix" can also be helpful when combining strings to find evidence.

String extraction can be very useful and powerful. With a combination of searching and filters, examiners can determine important data such as phone numbers, name, locations, GPS coordinates and dates. One must remember that other tools can be used to find more data.

Students will learn this week about metadata as well. Metadata is data that gives more information on a data. A device can hold exchangeable image file (EXIF) data, EXIF geolocation and embedded timestamps, which are types of metadata. The EXIF data is normally associated with digital pictures and videos, and can give information about Date, Time and Location of the media. For example, a digital picture's EXIF data would tell what date the picture was taken, what time the picture was taken and where the picture was taken. EXIF Geolocation, also known as a geotag, stores the longitude and latitude of where the picture or video was taken. This can be crucial in an investigation, especially if a photograph or video of the crime scene is discovered on the device. The embedded timestamp gives an accurate time as to when the media was taken, helping investigators determine a timeline. It is important to note that timestamps work on absolute time. This just means that it is in the number of seconds since

[17] (Hoog & Strzempka, Acquisitions: Strings, 2011)

January 1st, 2001. Thankfully, tools are available to calculate the time for examiners so they do not have to do the calculations by time.

The presentation concludes with tools that examiners might use in the field. These tools include Cellebrite UFED, Katana Forensics Lantern, Elcom iOS Forensic Toolkit and AccessData Mobile Phone Examiner Plus. Each tool is given a brief explanation. Most of these tools require a license purchase in order for it to be used.

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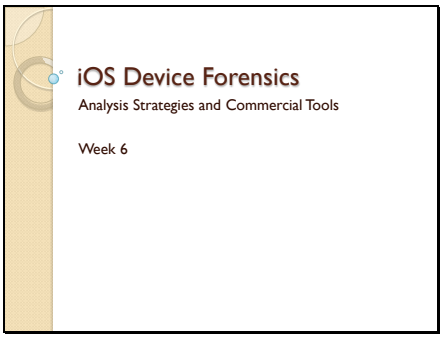

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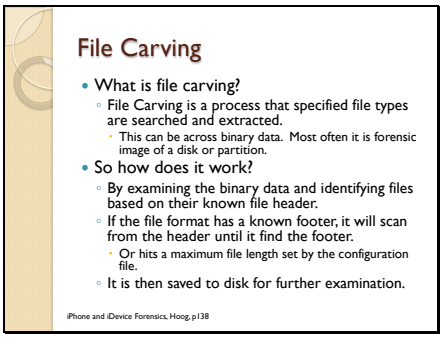

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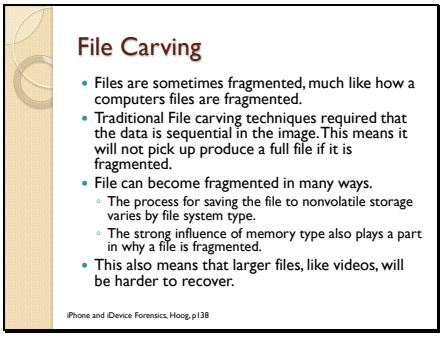

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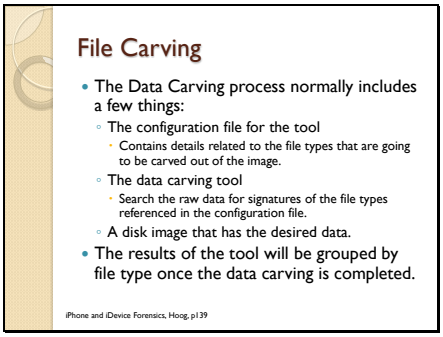

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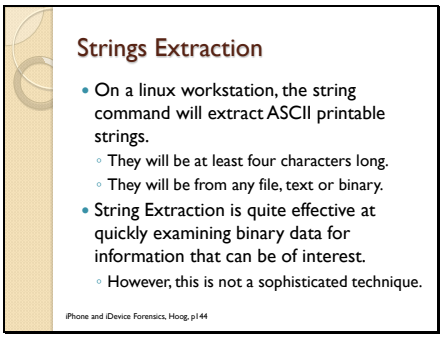

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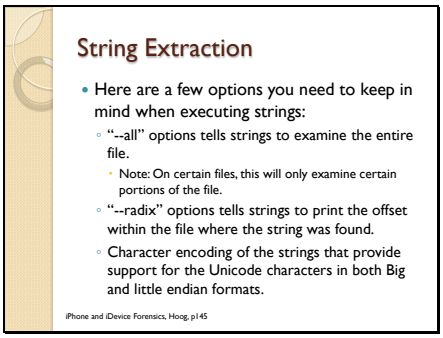

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String Extraction

- Back to "--radix" option…
  - This is very helpful! When and why?
    - This is helpful when you combine strings and a hex editor to find evidence.
    - This option can print the offset in octal (--radix=o), hex (--radix=x) or decimal (--radix=d).
    - If using a hex editor, best option would be hex or decimal.

iPhone and iDevice Forensics, Hoog, p145

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String Extraction

- Strings can be a very powerful command that examiners can use when combining searching and filters.
- With this combination, examiners can determine phone numbers, names, locations, GPS coordinates, dates and other information found on a data file.
- However, there are other tools that can be used to find more data. This is just one options.

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Metadata

- What is metadata?
  - Data that provides information about one or more aspect of the data.
    - For example, Digital Photographs have metadata though it's EXIF (Exchangable Image File).
- So what metadata can idevices have?
  - EXIF geolocation
  - Embedded timestamps
  - Can be included in pictures through EXIF.

http://www.sans.org/reading-room/whitepapers/forensics/forensic-analysis-ios-devices-34092

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Metadata - EXIF

- Exchangeable Image File (EXIF) Format is used to store digital pictures.
  - This can also include videos!!!!
- EXIF data can be used to find metadata about the media used. This includes:
  - Date
    - When the picture on the idevice was taken.
  - Time
    - What time the picture was taken.
  - Location
    - Location, called EXIF Geolocation, will be covered in more detail in the next slide.

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Metadata – EXIF Geolocation

- Geolocation, or a Geotag, is the GPS data that can be found in an image's header.
- What it stores is the longitude and latitude of where the picture or video was taken.
  - This can be very beneficial for when there are incriminating pictures found on a phone that can help a case.

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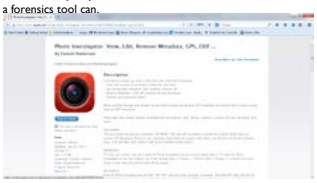
Metadata – EXIF Geolocation

- Surprisingly, there are apps on iTunes that can show you EXIF data for photographs.
- Some require you to pay for the service, while others are free.
- However, they may not be able to retrieve all the information that a forensics tool can.



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Metadata – Embedded Timestamp

- Everything in iOS has a Timestamp to when the volume was created.
- It should be noted that when working with timestamps, it will be provided in CF Absolute Time.
  - This means that the number of seconds since January 1st, 2001.
- The formula to find the time of the timestamp is the following:
  - =CreatedTime/(60*60*24)+DATE(2001,1,1)
- Thankfully there are tools that can help us translate the time for us.
  - http://www.epochconverter.com/

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Metadata – Embedded Timestamp

- Here are some examples of places to find Embedded Timestamps:
  - Pictures
  - Notes
  - Text Messages
  - GPS
- A good reference for more information about Timestamps and Time Utilities would be on the Mac Developer Library:
  - https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/documentation/CoreFoundation/Reference/CFTimeUtils/Reference/reference.html

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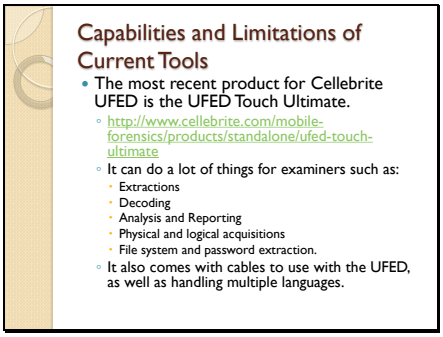

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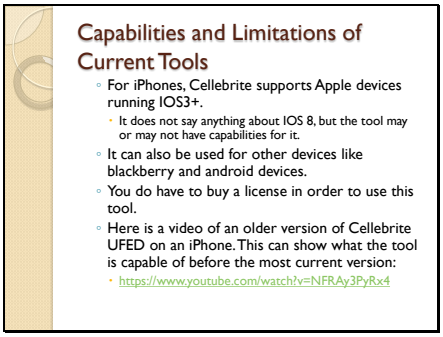

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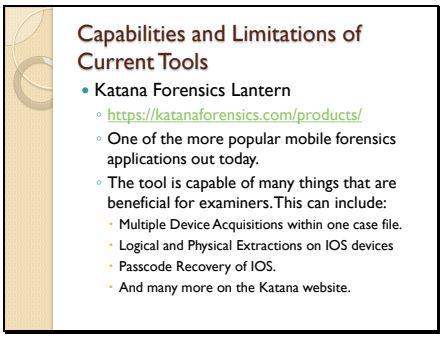

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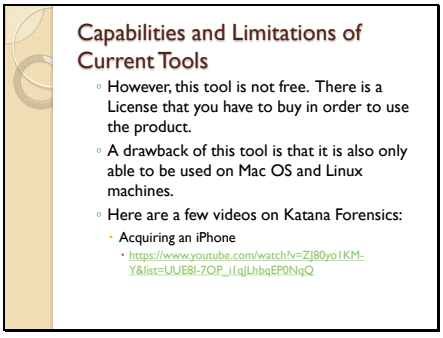

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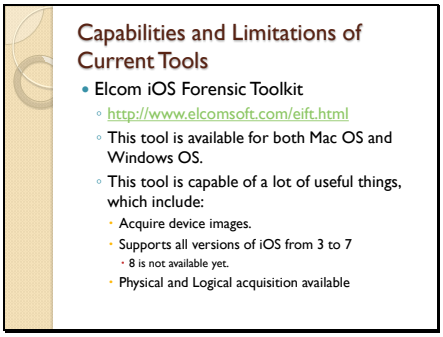

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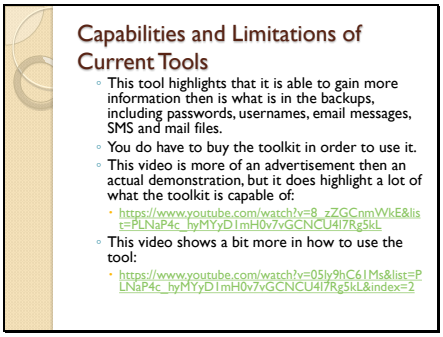

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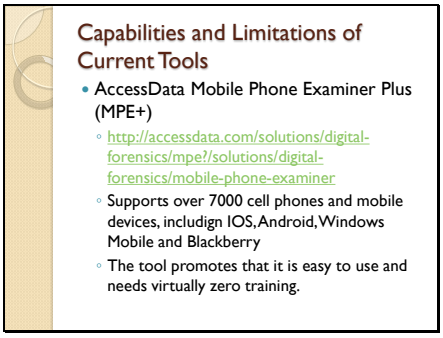

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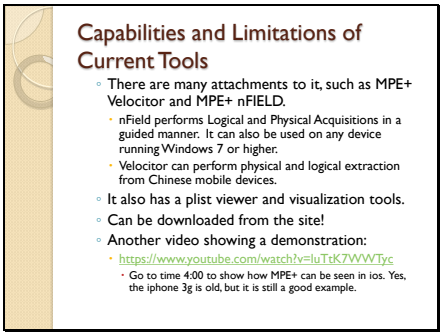

Chapter 8 – Week Seven: Introduction to iOS Security

Week seven gives students an introduction to iOS security. Students are then introduced to wiping the device through different methods. The first discussed is iCloud Remote Wiping. This option allows the device to be erased through iCloud. The application "Find my iPhone" is an example of this. If the device is lost, missing or stolen, the device can be erased remotely. It is confirmed by using the users Apple ID and password.

The next method is just a secure erase. This wipes the clean, which can be done through the "erase all content and settings" option in the device. This option was not always available to the devices. Up until iOS 2.0, the devices would not be securely erased. With the release of iOS 3.0, apple introduced hardware-level encryption which allowed a faster and secure wipe process.[18] With the standard hardware encryption generates an encryption key. When the device is erased, the encryption key is wiped and lost. With no encryption key, the data cannot be interpreted.

Keychains are also mentioned once more in this presentation. The keychain works as a secure storage container, which holds passwords and multiple applications. In iOS, each application has access to its own keychain items, which means that applications cannot access other applications items. Keychain backups are also discussed, which happens whenever the device's data is backed up. The keychain remains encrypted with the keys throughout the

[18] (Hollington, 2013)

backup, however. Examples are then given to the students to help explain this point.

NSProtectionNone is a hardware deduced key by the application or OS data. If a file is created without specifying any accessibility constant, it is marked as NSProtectionNone. Before iOS 5, apple could return the NSProtectionNone data from locked devices. Up until iOS 8, apple could get information off a locked device. Due to apple's new privacy policy, apple cannot gain access to an iOS 8 device.

This point is important to know when dealing with search warrants for devices. Even with a warrant from law enforcement, Apple cannot gain access to an iOS 8 device without the user's passcode. Normally with the proper paperwork, law enforcement agencies can get the data off a device to help with a case. This is still true with iOS 7 and below. According to Zdziarksi, some user generated active files that can be provided are Photos, Video, Contact and Call History.

This presentation also goes back to discussing encryption, which was discussed in week two's lecture. Data protection is discussed, including how it is constructed and managed by a hierarchy of keys. They build on the encryption technologies that already exist on the iOS device.

For data protection, there are classes that can be assigned when a new file is created. These basic classes are complete protection, protected unless open, protected until first user authentication and no protection. Complete protection

can be compared to unlocking an iDevice using a passcode or fingerprint. Protected unless open allows encryption that runs in the background, such as when an attachment is being downloaded. Protected until first user authentication acts like complete protection, but does not remove the decrypt key when the device is locked. No protection means that the device is only protected with the unique user id (UID). [19]

To conclude this presentation, iOS Backup is discussed. Backups can occur through iTunes or through the iCloud. The iPhone Analyzer is useful for working with backups that need to be decrypted without a passcode.

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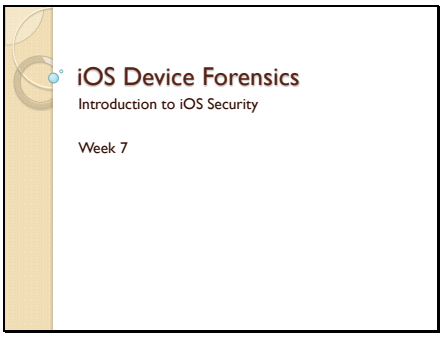

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[19] (Apple, 2014)

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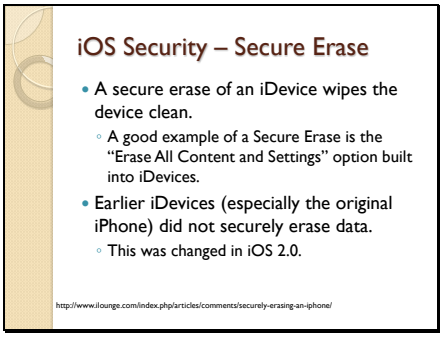

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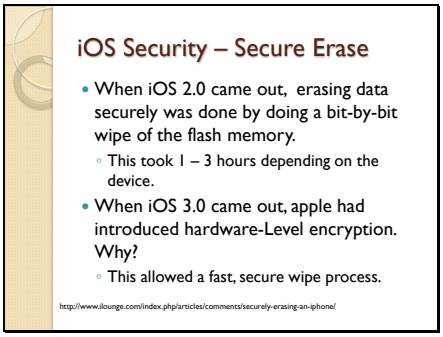

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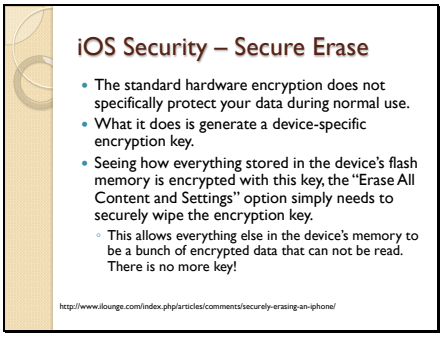

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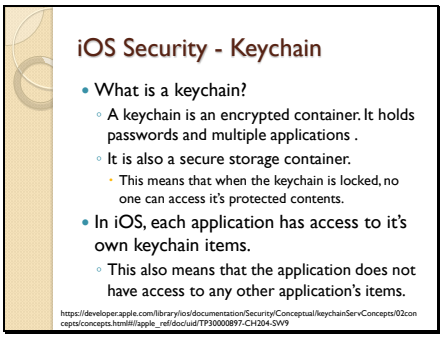

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iOS Security - Keychain

- iPhone Keychain Backups
  - When a user backs up iPhone data, the keychain data is backed up.
  - However the secrets in the keychain remain encrypted. This means that the keychain password is not included in the backup.
  - This means that passwords and other secrets stored in the keychain cannot be used by someone who gains access to the backup.

https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Security/Conceptual/keychainServConcepts/02concepts/concepts.html#//apple_ref/doc/uid/TP30000897-CH204-SW9

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iOS Security - Keychain

- It is good to know that Keychain Services uses a key-value dictionary to specify the attributes of the keychain item that you want to search for.
- According to Keychain Services Programming Guide, typical search dictionary consists of:
  - The class key value pair. This specifies the class of items to search. i.e., internet passwords or cryptographic keys
  - One of more key-value pairs that specify the attribute data to be matched. This can be a label or creation date.
  - One or more search Key-value pairs. These specify values that further hone the search. This can be issuing certificates or email address to match.
  - A return-type key-value pair. This specifies the type of results you want.

https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Security/Conceptual/keychainServConcepts/02concepts/concepts.html#//apple_ref/doc/uid/TP30000897-CH204-SW9

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iOS Security - Keychain

- Keychain Services Programming Guide found on the iOS Developer Library gives a good example of using the dictionary:
- The following example is taken from the developer library. The link is provided near the bottom of this slide.
  - Lets say we wanted to perform a case-insensitive search for a password. The account name that has the password we want is "ImaUser".
    - You can use the following dictionary shown on the next slide with the SecItemCopyMatching Function.

https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Security/Conceptual/keychainServConcepts/02concepts/concepts.html#//apple_ref/doc/uid/TP30000897-CH204-SW9

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iOS Security - Keychain

- This chart was taken from Keychain Services Programming Guide found on the iOS Developer Library
  - https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Security/Conceptual/keychainServConcepts/02concepts/concepts.html#//apple_ref/doc/uid/TP30000897-CH204-SW1

Type of key	Key	Value
Item class	kSecClass	kSecClassGenericPassword
Attribute	kSecAttrAccount	"ImaUser"
Attribute	kSecAttrService	"Apple Store"
Search attribute	kSecMatchCaseInsensitive	kCFBooleanTrue
Return type	kSecReturnData	kCFBooleanTrue

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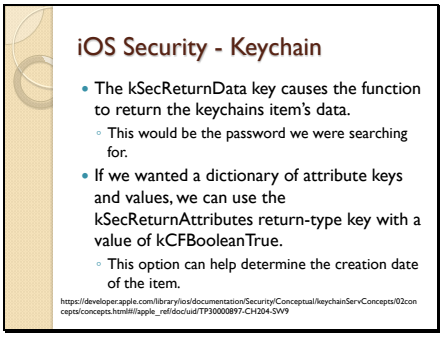

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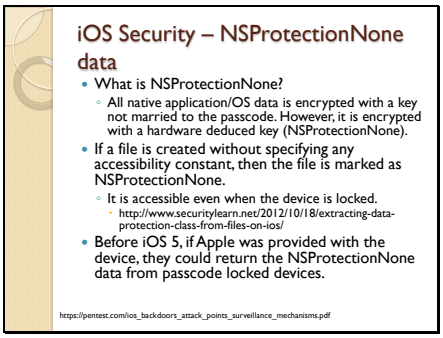

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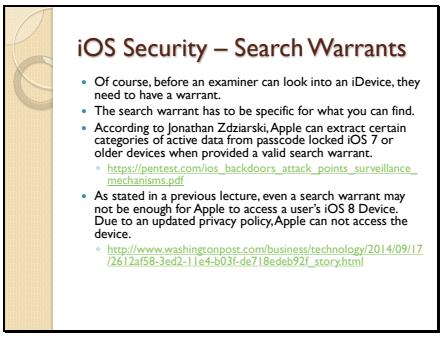

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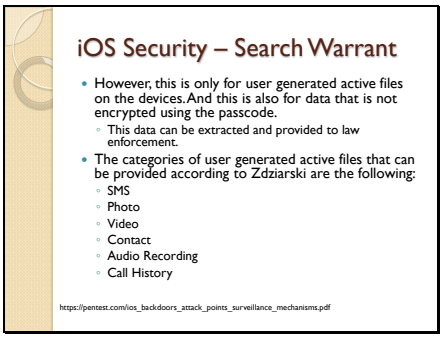

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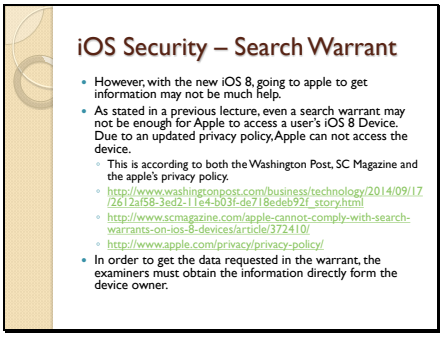

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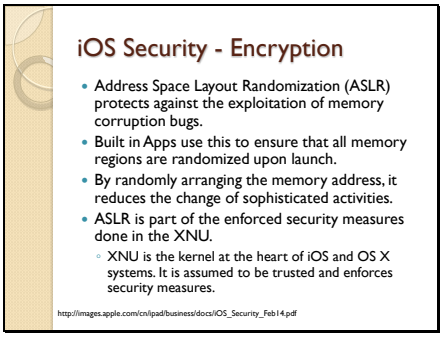

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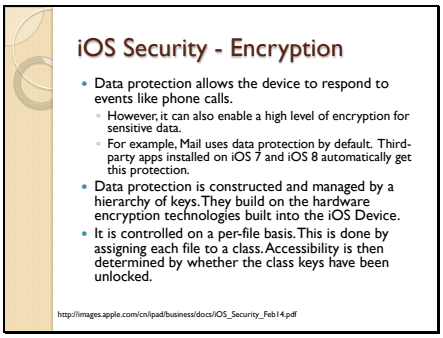

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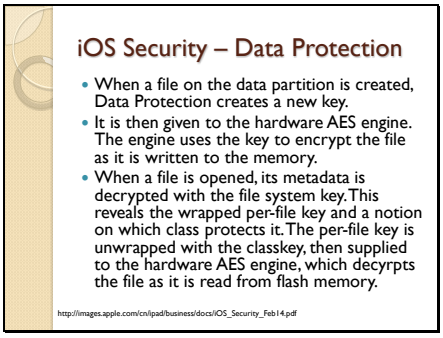

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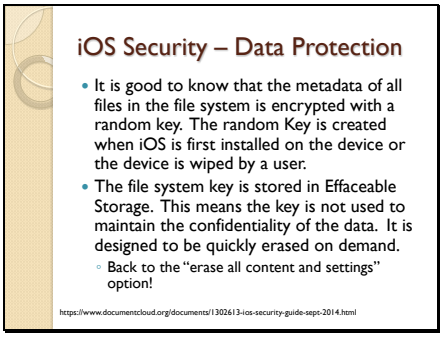

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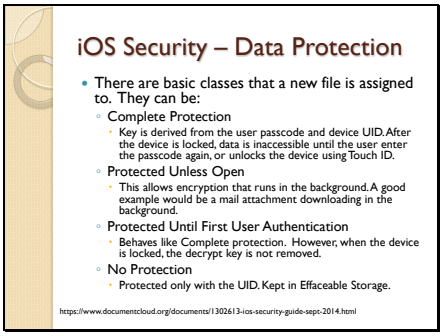

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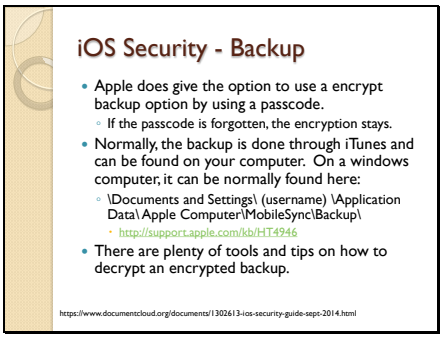

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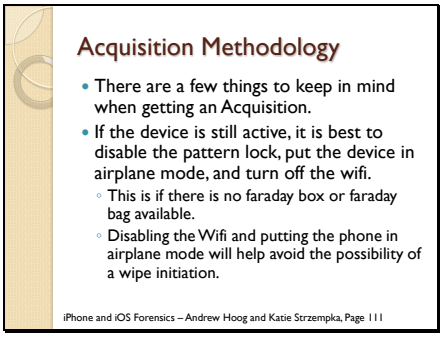

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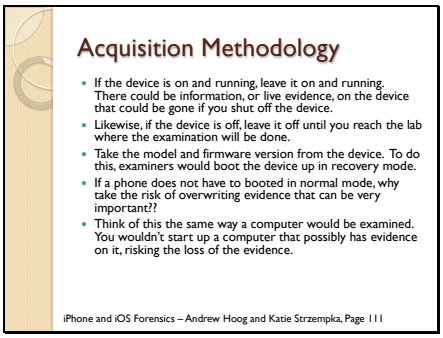

Chapter 9- Week Eight: Jailbreaking

This week's lecture introduces students to Jailbreaking. When a user jailbreaks their device, it means that the device allows the user to modify the operating system. This allows the user to add unofficial application installers on the device to install and use third party applications. This is one of the reasons a user jailbreaks their device. With iPhones, jailbreaking may be used so the phone can work with a different carrier. Jailbreaking also lets the user to manipulate the device. An example of this manipulation is changing the user interface, or changing the application icons. This information can be found on idownloadblog.com.[20]

Not only does jailbreaking allows users to manipulate the look of the device, but it can also allow tweaks, modifications and extensions to be applied. An example of a tweak that can be applied to a jailbroken device is to allow 5 icons on an iPhone instead

[20] (iDownloadBlog, 2014)

of the standard 4. The worst thing that can happen when jailbreaking a device, it can become unresponsive. There is a fix to this, which is to restore the device's firmware back to the stock version. Updating the iOS in a jailbroken device can be a little tricky. If the update is done, it will overwrite the jailbreak.

A big question students may ask about jailbreaking would be if it was legal or legal. Jailbreaking became legal in the USA in 2012[21]. However, jailbreaking an iDevice may void the warranty it has. The warranty on an iDevice becomes void the minute that the person jailbreaks the device. [22] According to idownloadblog.com, there is a small work around for this. If the device is reset to factory settings in iTunes, the device is reset to how the user bought it.

Students are then introduced to the three ways that a device, or iPhone, can be jailbroken. These ways are untethered, semitethered and tethered. The most desirable jailbreak is to be untethered. This allows the user to reboot the device with no consequences. Semitethered does not allow a reboot without some problems with the applications or tweaks. To get the device to function properly, a tethered boot must be performed. A tethered is the least desirable of the three. A reboot must be done with a tethered boot with access to a computer. [23] Firmware is discussed briefly, due to the firmware slice being replaced with a hacked firmware. The hacked firmware allows third party applications to be installed on the device. To find the firmware, one can go to www.iclarified.com.[24]

Being that this is a forensics class for iOS devices, acquisition on these types of devices are discussed. It is stressed to the students these acquisitions need to be very

[21] (iDownloadBlog, 2014)
[22] (Apple, 2014)
[23] (iDownloadBlog, 2011)
[24] (iClarified, 2008)

careful. Andrew Hoog discusses in his book that there are three steps to acquire the device: create a wireless network, remotely connect to the device and finally image the device. [25]

The wireless network needs to be static on the forensic workstation, making sure that the IP address will not change. The examiner then will connect to the device over secure shell (SSH), which is a known cryptographic network protocol. The device is finally imaged by using a program called netcat. Netcat will create a tunnel that allows the connected devices to communicate. By initiating a dd[26] command, the workstations desktop will create a file with the image on it. It is mentioned that this is one method to acquire an image, but the risk is still high for loosing data due to the device being jailbroken.

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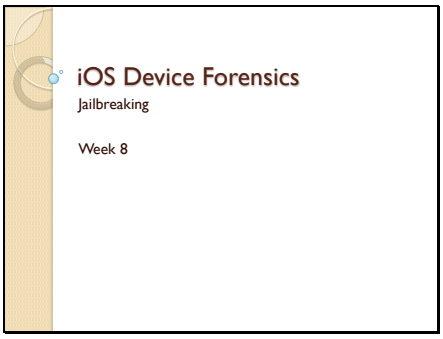

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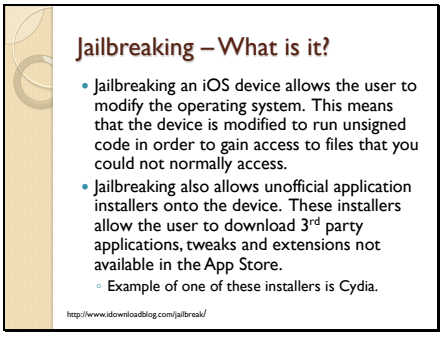

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[26] is a way to copy and convert files and can be accessed through SSH

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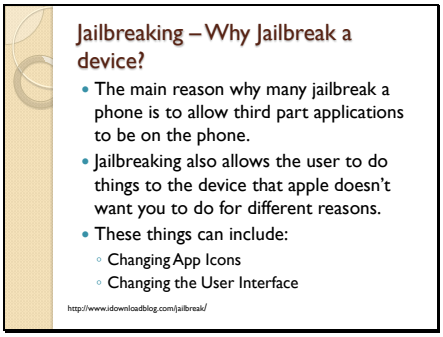

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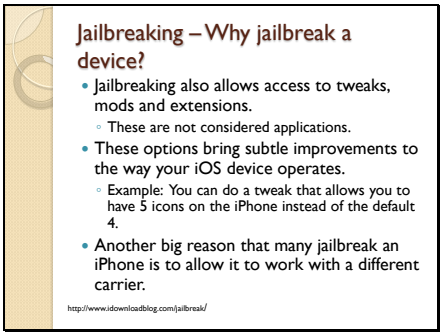

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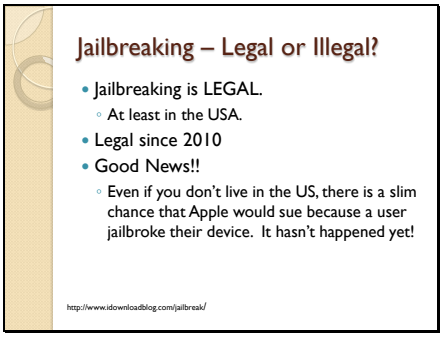

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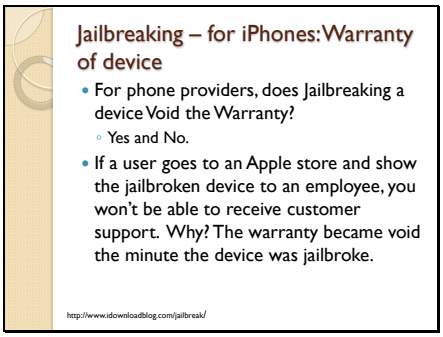

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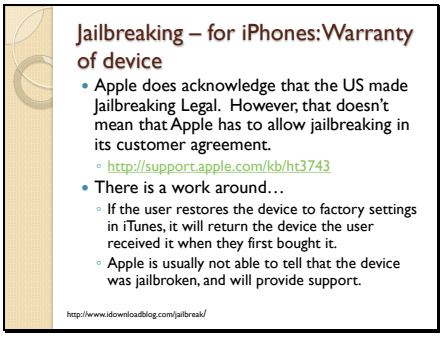

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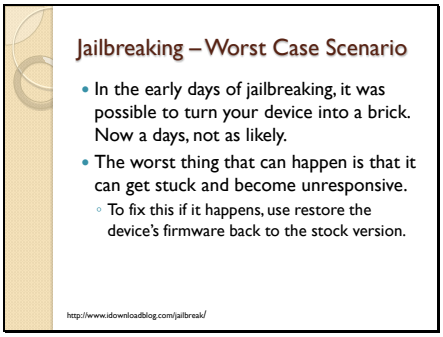

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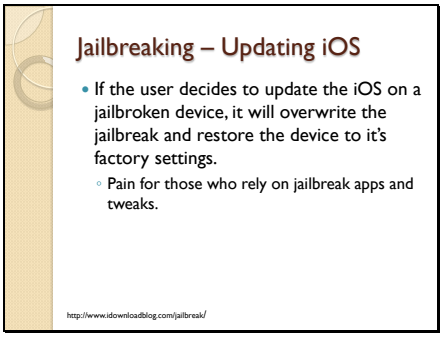

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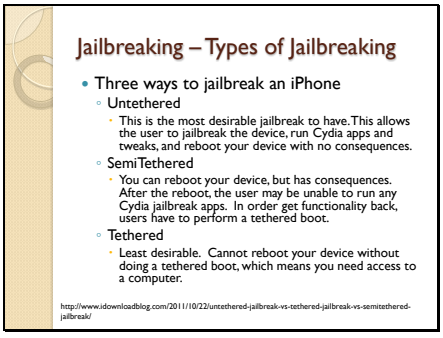

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Jailbreaking – Types of Jailbreak

- The following link gives a video explaining the types of jailbreaking that can happen:
  - http://www.idownloadblog.com/2011/10/22/untethered-jailbreak-vs-tethered-jailbreak-vs-semitethered-jailbreak/

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Firmware Identification and Acquisition

- Firmware Identification can be found on the device's settings.
- By going to settings and general, you can find basic information in the about section that includes the Firmware baseband.
- With a jailbroken device, the Apple's firmware (slice 1) is replaced with custom (hacked) firmware.

http://www.iclarified.com/entry/?enid=2543

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Firmware Identification and Acquisition

- When doing an acquisition on a jailbroken device, be careful! Acquiring the device does modify the user partition. This should be done as a last resort.
  - This is because potential evidence could be overwritten.
- There are steps to physically acquire the jailbroken device:
  - Create a wireless network
  - Remotely connect to device
  - Image device

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Firmware Identification and Acquisition

- Create a wireless network
  - The forensic workstation that the examiner is using need to have a wireless network created so the device can be remotely connected.
  - The IP address must be static
    - Static meaning unchanging.

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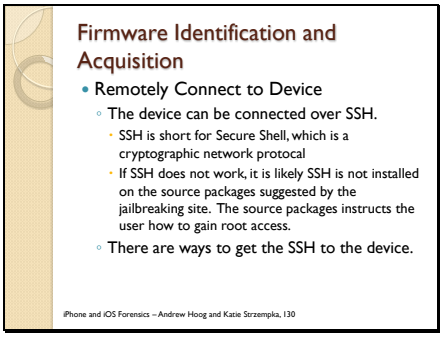

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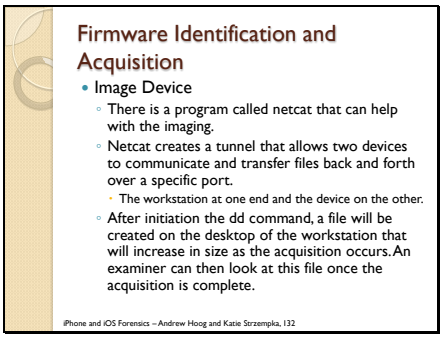

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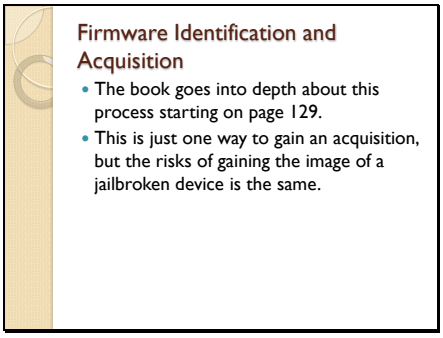

Chapter 10 – Week Nine: Physical Acquisition

Week nine starts off with non-forensically sound methods for physical acquisitions. Jailbreaking, which was discussed in the previous week's presentation, is considered a non-forensically sound method. This is because the examiners can tamper with the user data.

Secure Shell (SSH), dd and netcat are considered non-forensically sound as well. These methods were discussed in the previous week as well. SSH allows examiners to

access the files stored on the device, making this method non-forensically sound.[27] In UNIX, dd is a way to copy and convert files and can be accessed through SSH. One has to be careful when using dd because if you access the wrong file, the device can be damaged. [28] This makes it non-forensically sound as well. Netcat is non-forensically sound due to communicating over a port that could be secure or unsecure.

There are forensically sound methods for doing an acquisition. One well known method is the Zdziarski method. Jonathon Zdziarski was a former researcher for McAfee, Inc.[29]. The Zdziarski method is not so much an application, but a toolkit that allows acquisitions to occur. What this method does is allows the examiner to execute a bit-by-bit copy of the device's user partition. The partition gained, which is read-only, stays isolated from the partition containing the users data. Because the user's data isn't violated, the method is sound.

This method may seem familiar to the jailbreaking method. There are differences between the two. The Zdziarski method caters more to forensic recovery. It deals with read-only partitions on the device. Jailbreaking, however, focuses more on hacking into the device. Hacking into the device might interfere with the user's data, which is not good.

Another forensically sound method that is mentioned is Lantern Lite/Imager.[30] [31] This is a free software that uses bootloader from the jailbreak took redsn0w. This software will then obtain a physical image of an iPhone 4. Sadly, this tool is known for its work with iPhone 4, and not with any other device. This is forensically sound because

[27] (Lee, 2011)
[28] (Rubin, MacKenzie, & Kemp, 2010)
[29] (Hoog & Strzempka, Acquisitions: Zdziarski Technique, 2011)
[30] (Whitfield, 2012)
[31] (Cavanaugh, 2012)

it takes advantage of DFU mode. It is mentioned that it can be compared to software that is used by police, Katana Lantern.

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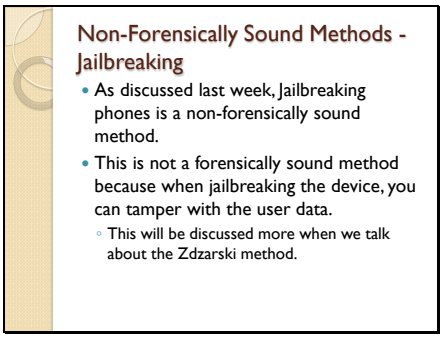

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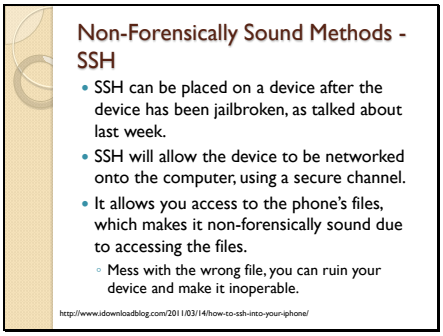

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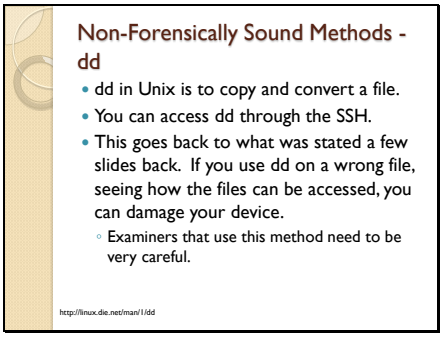

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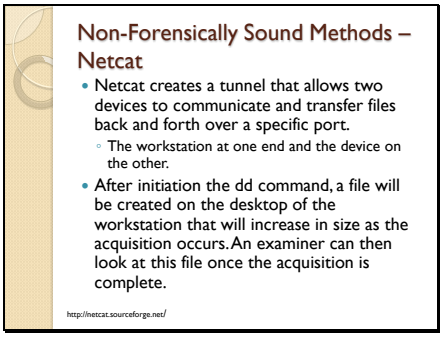

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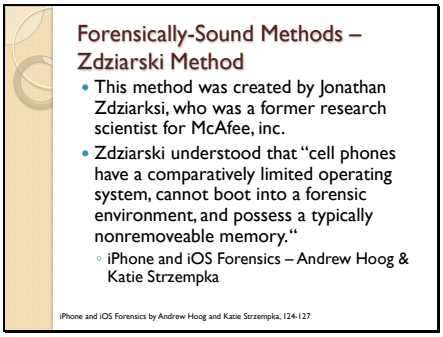

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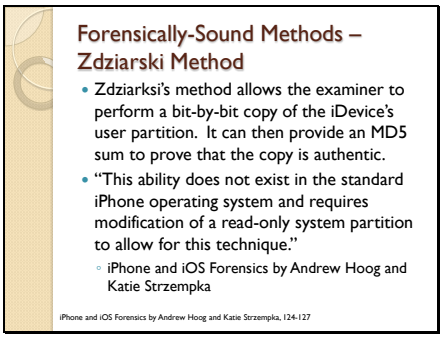

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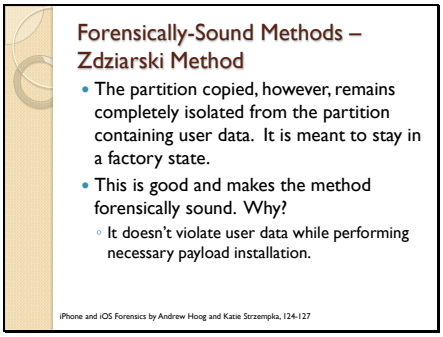

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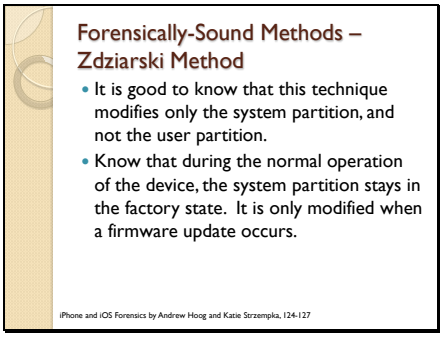

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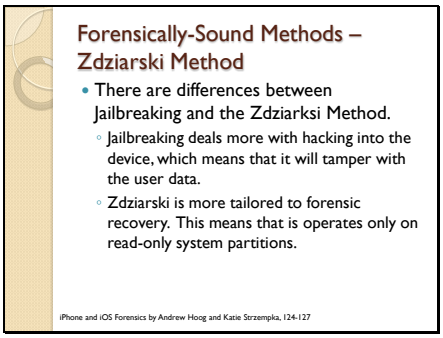

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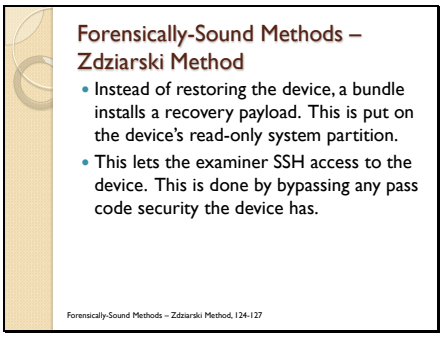

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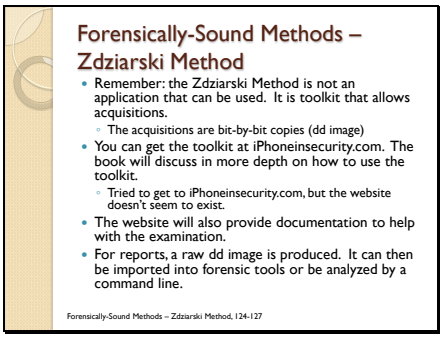

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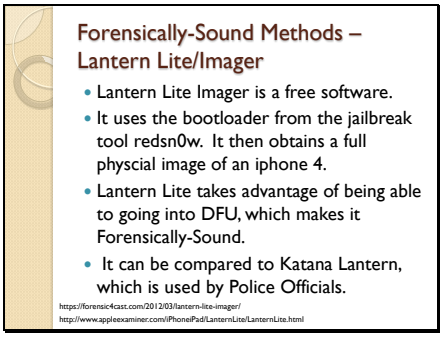

Chapter 11 – Week Ten: Advanced iOS Security

In week ten, the topic for the presentation is advanced iOS security and advanced logical acquisitions. The first thing covered in this area is file_relay, which deals with backdoors in iOS. Zdziarski had done research on this, which can be found in his own presentation found on his website[32]. He found that file_relay helps examiners bypass the backup encryption found on iTunes. Zdziarski believes that this is the biggest area of intelligence on the device. File_Relay can be used to gain access to personal data onteh device. This data can be email and Facebook accounts, as well as GPS logs, Photos and User Databases. User databases can be very useful because it contains short message service (SMS) database, which are also text messages, calendars and the address book.

Next in advanced logical acquisitions is Pairing Authentication, which uses lockdownd. Lockdownd is just a daemon that provides system information to clients. To understand this, one has to understand pairing. Pairing happens when you give permission for a device to access the other device. For example, whenever a person plugs their iDevice into a computer, the user allows the computer to access the device. This is a pairing. According to Zdziarski, Juice Jacking can be used to establish a pairing. Juice Jacking, according to howtogeek.com, Juice Jacking is "leveraging the USB data/power

[32] (Zdziarski, 2014)

cable to illegitimately access the phone's data and/or inject malicious code onto the device."[33] By the definition provided, this can be a bad thing.

This can also bypass the backup encryption. Another note about Pairing Authentication to make is that all of the lockdownd protocols have been documented in the libimobiledevice project[34]. Libimobiledevice is a cross-platform softare protocol library. It provides tools to communicate with iOS devices. The downside to this, however, is that its services have not been looked at since its creation in 2009.

Packet sniffers are on iDevices, and are active on every iOS device, under com.apple.mobile.pcapd[35]. Sadly, there is no indicator to the user that this is running. The big question, then, is why are packet sniffers on iOS Devices? There are many theories as to why they are present. One such theory is so that developers are testing their applications. Zdziarski slightly debunks this because the sniffers are enabled on devices on non-developer mode. Apple's reasoning for having packet sniffers on the device is to help with troubleshooting and diagnosing issues with applications. With the new iOS 8, this ability is restricted to USB interface. Even through there is some controversy on this, it is still useful to know for examiners, so they could use packet sniffers to their advantage.

The last thing that advanced logical acquisition talks about is house_arrest. Apple states that house_arrest is used by iTunes to transfer documents to and from the device.[36] Zdziarksi, however, believes that it is used to copy documents to and from third party application. This allows access to the preference folders. The preference folders can be

[33] (Fitzpatrick, 2013)
[34] (LibiMobileDevice, 2009)
[35] (Apple, 2014)
[36] (Apple, 2014)

useful because it provides storage for Facebook and photos. Not only this, but house_arrest can assist in recovering deleted messages.

Theories as to why these methods exist are discussed in the end of the presentation, as well as Zdziarski explaining why they are not viable. For instance, a theory is that it is used for developers for debugging. Zdziarski states that developers do not need to bypass backup encryption and do not need to access sensitive content in order to debug.[37]

PowerPoint Presentation for Week Ten

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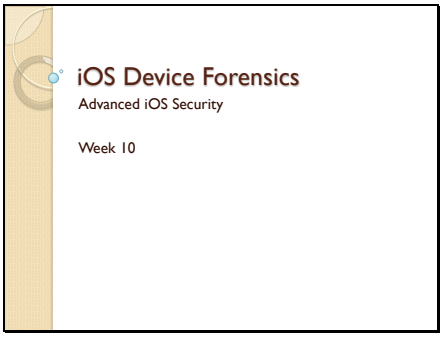

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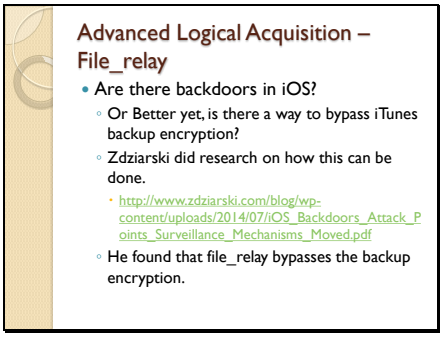

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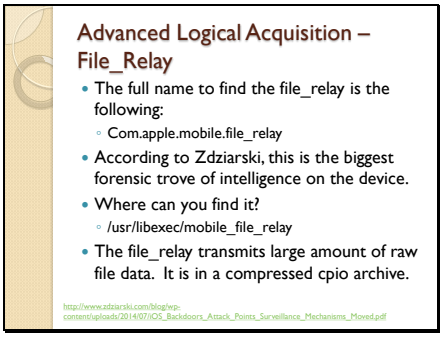

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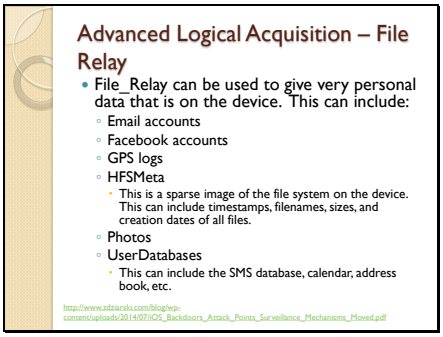

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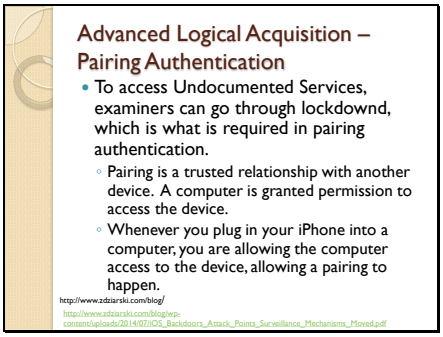

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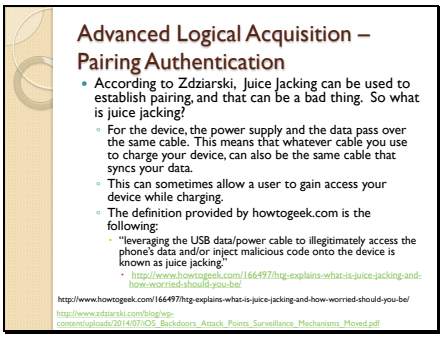

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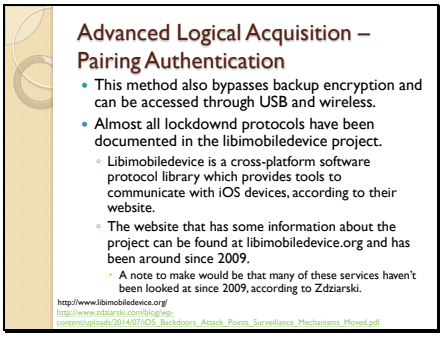

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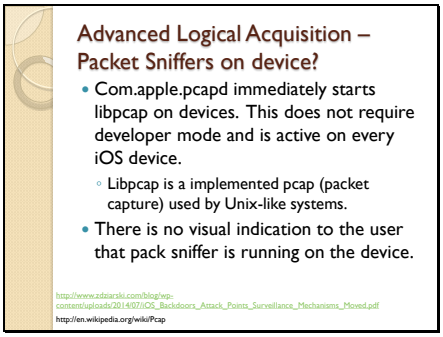

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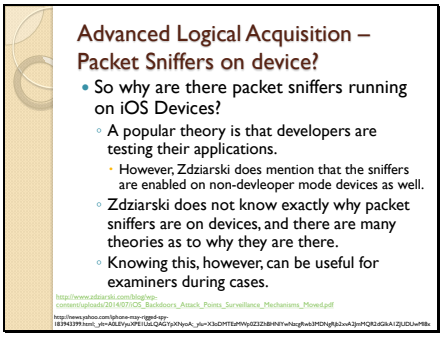

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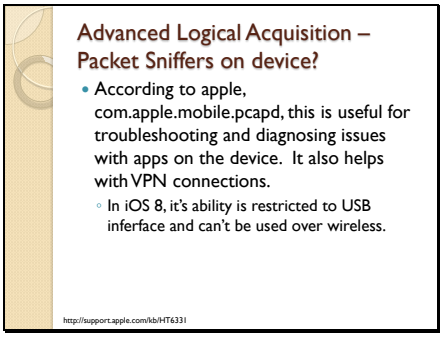

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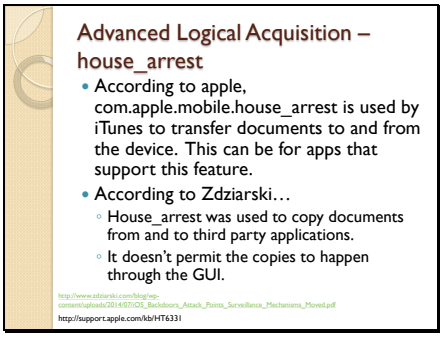

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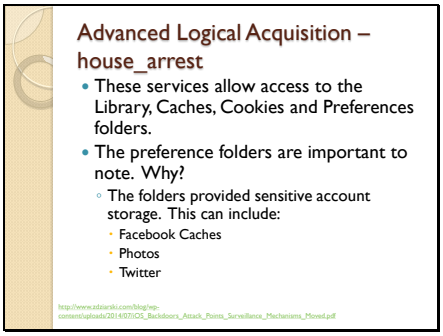

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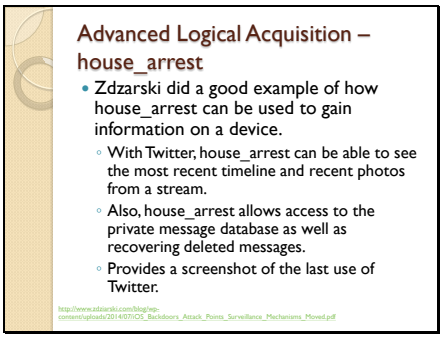

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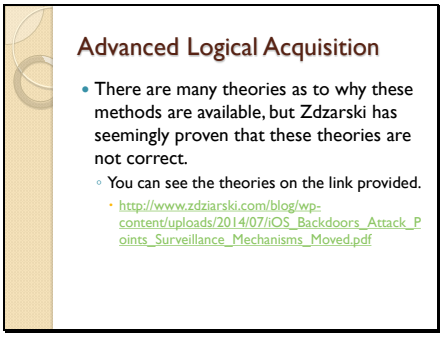

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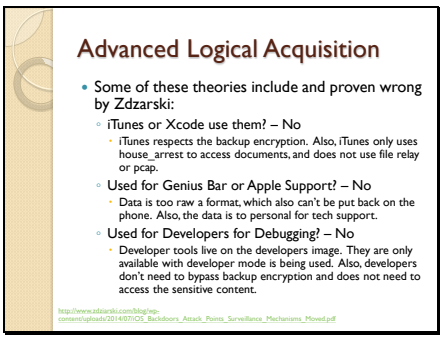

Chapter 12 – Week Eleven: Forensic Reporting and Presentation

The last week of presentations for students covers Forensic Reporting and Presentation. This is important because examiners need to know how to properly document their findings in cases, as well as presenting said findings to others or in court. A forensic report is a report of what tools were used during the investigation, as well as what was found. The report can go to supervisors, clients, attorneys or the Judge and Jury.

As stated before, investigators or examiners should put what steps were taken to gain the evidence. It is important to note the order in which they handled the evidence. This creates a timeline that the evidence has gone through, which can help assist with showing a chain of custody. [38]

There are many websites that can help one create and see a forensic report. Another important thing to do when reporting is to take notes of what is done. This can include screenshots, bookmarking evidence or making notes through a digital recorder or hand writing them.[39] Reports need to be detailed to show how one got the data.

[38] (Christly)
[39] (Garcia, 2010)

As important forensic reporting is, communicating properly with others about the evidence is equally important. According to Shayne Sherman in his document *A digital forensic practitioner's guide to giving evidence in a court of law*, the use of PowerPoints and charts are very useful. What an examiner needs to remember is that not everyone may know technical terms, and using PowerPoints and charts can help others understand the information.

The week's presentation concludes with looking into what makes iOS analysis 'forensic'. For this, the lecture refers back to week one's look into technical analysis and forensic examinations. One must remember that technical analysis is how the examiner retrieved the evidence where a forensic examination is how one interprets the evidence to determine innocence or guilt.

PowerPoint Presentation for Week Eleven

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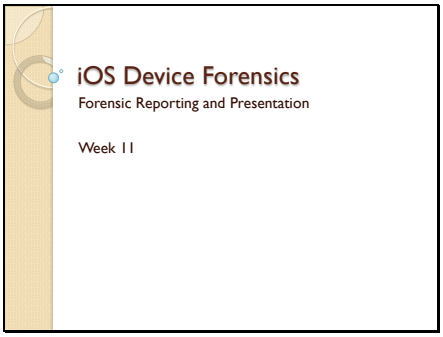

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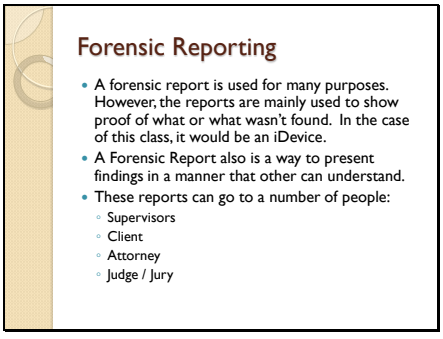

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Forensic Reporting

- The investigator should put everything that he or she did to process the evidence. The notes should be in chronological order to establish a timeline that the evidence went through.
  - Note that this should include the time zone that the evidence was processed in. This will help verify the time stamped items.
- The report needs to show what tools (Software and Hardware) were used.

http://www.eteraconsulting.com/12/07/forensic-reporting-how-it-works-and-why-it-important

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Forensic Reporting

- What you should do for good reporting
  - Takes Notes! Some tips for good note taking:
    - Screenshots
    - Bookmarking evidence
    - Use Built-in logging or reporting options
    - Use of a digital recorder vs hand written notes
  - Your report should include:
    - Case Summary
    - Forensic Acquisition & Exam Preparation
    - Findings
    - Report (forensic analysis)
    - Conclusion

http://digital-forensics.sans.org/blog/2010/08/19/digital-forensics-reporting-casenotes-walkthroughreview/

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Forensic Reporting

- It is very important to show the "Chain of Custody" in the report.
  - Chain of Custody - *The movement and location of physical evidence from the time it is obtained until the time it is presented in court.*
    - http://legal-dictionary.thefreedictionary.com/chain+of+custody

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Forensic Reporting

- A good site to help with writing a Forensic Report:
  - http://digital-forensics.sans.org/blog/2010/08/25/intro-report-writing-digital-forensics/
  - http://digital-forensics.sans.org/blog/2013/02/26/report-writing-digital-forensics-part-ii

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Communication Strategies

- You have to remember that the reader of the report may not know all the technical terms that an examiner would know.
- Be careful not to over simplify the ability of the jury to understand the evidence.
- The use of PowerPoints and Charts help with understanding the material.
  - A Digital Forensic Practitioner's Guide to giving evidence in a court of law, Sherman

http://cryptome.org/2014/03/forensic-evidence-in-court.pdf

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What makes iOS Analysis 'forensic'?

- Lets think back on Technical Analysis vs 'Forensic' examination back in week one.
  - Technical Analysis is used to authenticate data through explanation of the technical features of data and future usage.
  - A 'Forensic' Examination attempts to understand the evidence that is found from the acquisitions.

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What makes iOS Analysis 'forensic'?

- For technical Analysis, this is how the examiner would explain how the evidence was retrieved.
  - REMEMBER! The jury does not know a lot of the technical terms that examiners do. However, try to explain what you did so the jury can better understand how the examiner got to that conclusion.

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What makes iOS Analysis 'forensic'?

- A forensic examination, as stated in week 1, is more then just the technical data that is found.
  - It is the ability to understand what the evidence means in terms of the case. It allows the examiner to show whether or not the evidence proves guilt or innocence.

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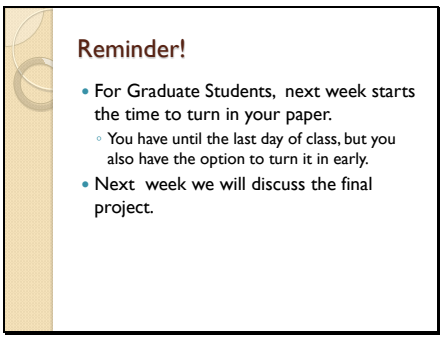

Chapter 13 – Weeks Twelve through Fifteen: The Final Project

The remaining time for the semester will be spent on the student's working on a project using what they have learned in the class. The first phase of the project is giving the students a backup of a device containing evidence of a guilty party. The students then are encouraged to work either individually or in groups to retrieve the evidence. By the end of week fourteen, students or groups will turn in a report of their findings based on the backup that was provided. Week fifteen will be reserved for the student or group to present the project to others in a mock trail setting. Student will be encouraged to dress professionally, as if they were presenting to a real trial.

The Backup Provided for Students

The backup that was prepared contains two fake parties, Wayne Tarsle and Mark Bytes. Emails were set up for the each party, as well as an apple ID for each. Emails, as well as iMessages, were exchanged between the two fake individuals, setting up a scenario where Wayne sends evidence to Mark in exchange for money. The evidence in question was two plain sheets of paper with "Evidence #1" and "Evidence #2" written on them. The pictures of these sheets of paper were then sent to each respective email address. This was all done on an Apple iPhone 4s.

Chapter 14 – Conclusion

At the end of the semester, students should have a basic understanding of iOS device forensics, as well as some key concepts in this field. The field is constantly growing and changing with each new update and release that iOS has. This makes it difficult to find accurate information on this subject, especially with a forensic standpoint. Thankfully, there are plenty of internet sources, like the Apple Developer Library, that can have this information. This also shows that having developing a class for interested individuals can be beneficial as well.

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