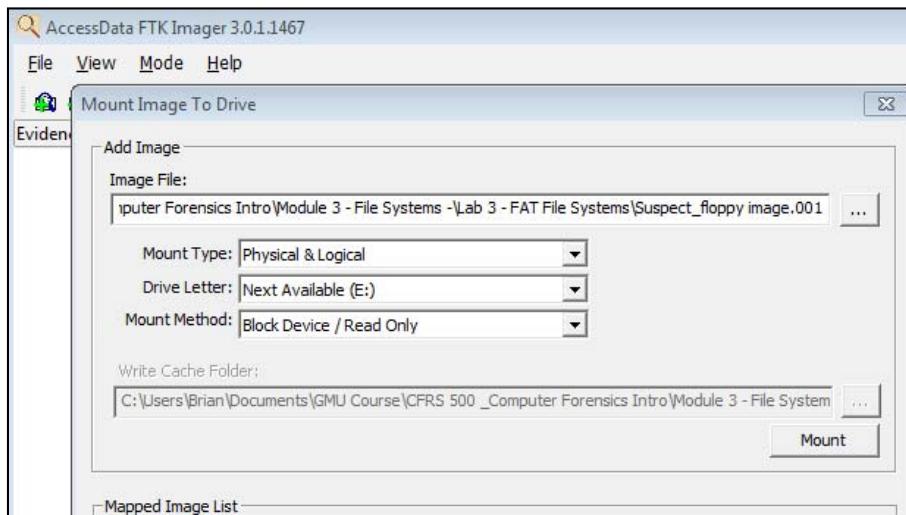
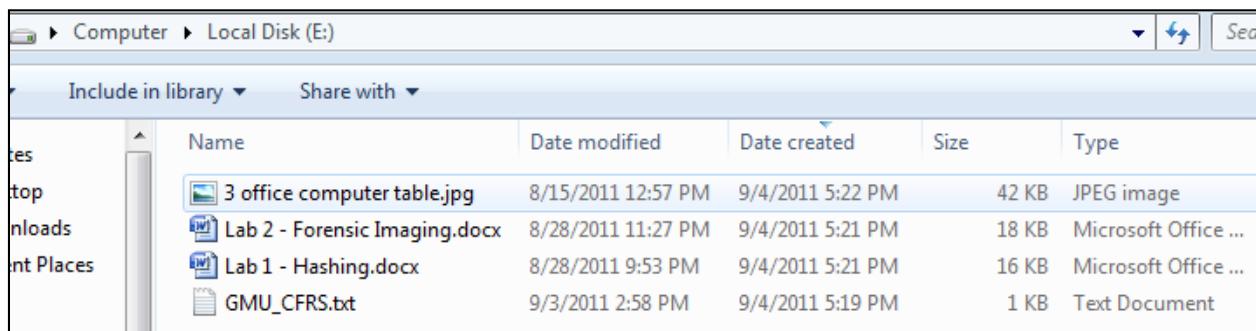


Objectives:

- Use a hex editor to manually recover a deleted file from a FAT12 image file.
 - Use FTK Imager to mount images and view deleted files.
1. Install and/or open FTK Imager 3.01
 2. Select File > Image Mounting...
 3. Add the image file “Suspect_floppy image.001”, do not change the default options, and click “Mount”.



4. Go to Windows Explorer and open the “E:” Drive. This is the mounted version of the suspect image. Note the files that are currently on the image.



5. Open the Hex Editor “HxD”.

6. Select “Extras > Open Disk Image...” and open “Suspect_floppy image - Copy.001”. You are looking at Sector 0, the FAT Boot sector for the floppy image. Note that the file system “FAT12” is clearly shown.

Suspect_floppy image - Copy.001

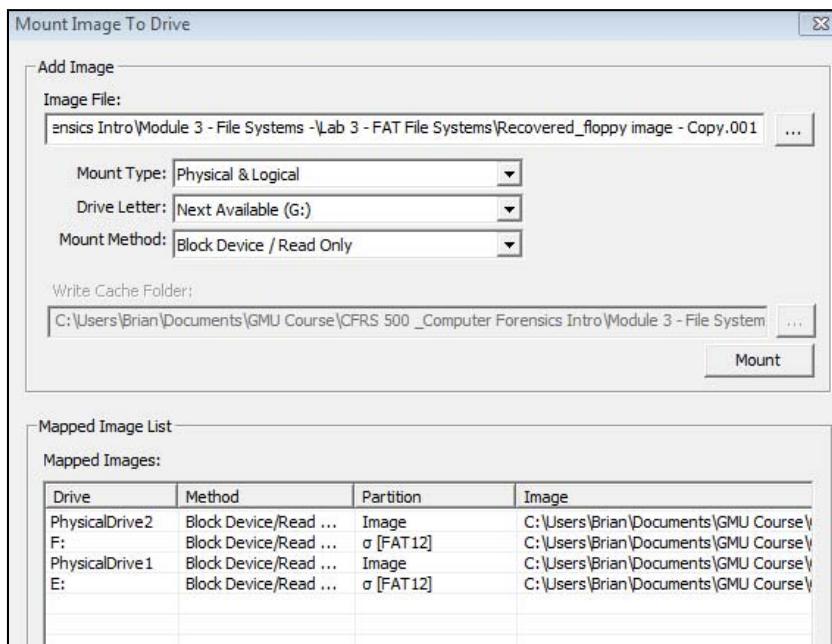
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00000128	66 16 03 46 1C 13 56 1E 03 46 0E 13 D1 8B 76 11	f..F..V..F..Ñ.v.
00000144	60 89 46 FC 89 56 FE BB 20 00 F7 E6 8B 5E 0B 03	'%FüëVp, .ñæ^..
00000160	C3 48 F7 F3 01 46 FC 11 4E FE 61 BF 00 00 E8 E6	ÄH÷ó.Fü.Npaç..èæ
00000176	00 72 39 26 38 2D 74 17 60 B1 OB BE A1 7D F3 A6	.r9ë&-t.'+.;j;)ó!
00000192	61 74 32 4F 74 09 83 C7 20 3B FB 72 F6 FB DC A0	at2Nt fC .ùræñù

7. Select "View > Offset Base" and change it to **Decimal**.
 8. Go to Sector 19. This is the beginning of the File Allocation Table (FAT). It stores file metadata, such as size, created time, modified time and file name abd file's physical location on the drive.
 9. Partially into sector 20, you will see a file that starts with the hex E5 sigma character. This indicates a deleted file. In a FAT file system, the first character of a deleted file is replaced with hex E5 (sigma) and the location of the file is set to zero, thus marking as it available.

10. Select the E5 character and replace it with a “B”.

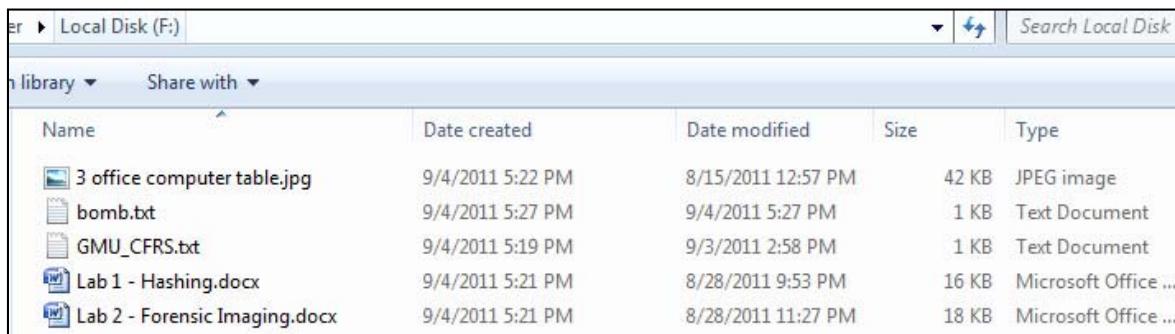
11. Select “File > Save As” and save this file with the name “Recovered_floppy image.001”.

12. Return to FTK Imager, use the Mounting utility to mount the “Recovered_floppy image.001” the same as you mounted the original image



13. Open the F: drive in Windows Explorer. Note the files that are now on the image.

****NOTE:** The new file “bomb.txt” is now visible with all of its metadata. However, the physical location of the file is still zeroed in the FAT table. So we will not be able to actually open this file.**

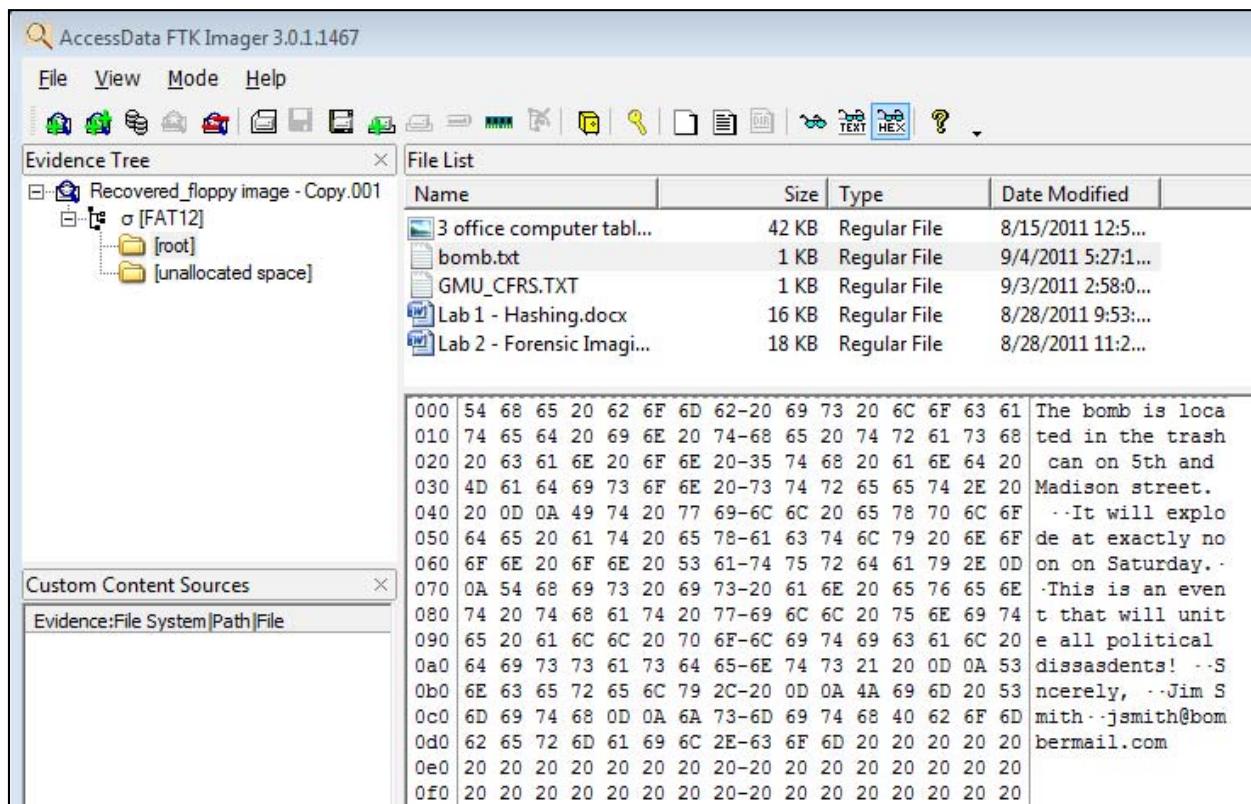


14. Return to FTK Imager and close the image mounting utility.

15. Select “File>Add Evidence Item”.

16. Select “Image File” and browse to the “Recovered_floppy image.001” file and click finish.

17. FTK imager automatically recovers the deleted file’s location and displays it. Look in the root folder for the image contents.



The screenshot shows the AccessData FTK Imager interface. The Evidence Tree pane shows a recovered floppy image named "Recovered_floppy image - Copy.001" containing a FAT12 volume with a root directory and an unallocated space. The File List pane displays several files: "3 office computer tabl..." (42 KB, Regular File, 8/15/2011), "bomb.txt" (1 KB, Regular File, 9/4/2011), "GMU_CFRS.TXT" (1 KB, Regular File, 9/3/2011), "Lab 1 - Hashing.docx" (16 KB, Regular File, 8/28/2011), and "Lab 2 - Forensic Imagi..." (18 KB, Regular File, 8/28/2011). The bottom half of the window shows the raw hex dump and ASCII representation of the "bomb.txt" file, which contains a message about a bomb being located in the trash on Madison street.

Name	Size	Type	Date Modified
3 office computer tabl...	42 KB	Regular File	8/15/2011 12:5...
bomb.txt	1 KB	Regular File	9/4/2011 5:27:1...
GMU_CFRS.TXT	1 KB	Regular File	9/3/2011 2:58:0...
Lab 1 - Hashing.docx	16 KB	Regular File	8/28/2011 9:53:...
Lab 2 - Forensic Imagi...	18 KB	Regular File	8/28/2011 11:2...

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020 20 63 61 6E 20 6F 6E 20-35 74 68 20 61 6E 64 20 can on 5th and
030 4D 61 64 69 73 6F 6E 20-73 74 72 65 65 74 2E 20 Madison street.
040 20 0D 0A 49 74 20 77 69-6C 6C 20 65 78 70 6C 6F --It will explo
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060 6F 6E 20 6F 6E 20 53 61-74 75 72 64 61 79 2E 0D on on Saturday.-
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0d0 62 65 72 6D 61 69 6C 2E-63 6F 6D 20 20 20 20 20 bermail.com
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