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Test Results for Binary Image Joint Test Action Group (JTAG), (Chip-Off) Decoding and Analysis Tool

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Introduction

The Computer Forensics Tool Testing (CFTT) program is a joint project of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate (S&T), the National Institute of Justice, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology Special Program Office and Information Technology Laboratory. CFTT is supported by other organizations, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Department of Defense Cyber Crime Center, U.S. Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division Electronic Crimes Program, and the DHS Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Secret Service. The objective of the CFTT program is to provide measurable assurance to practitioners, researchers, and other applicable users that the tools used in computer forensics investigations provide accurate results. Accomplishing this requires the development of specifications and test methods for computer forensics tools and subsequent testing of specific tools against those specifications.

Test results provide the information necessary for developers to improve tools, users to make informed choices, and the legal community and others to understand the tools' capabilities. The CFTT approach to testing computer forensics tools is based on well-recognized methodologies for conformance and quality testing. Interested parties in the computer forensics community can review and comment on the specifications and test methods posted on the CFTT Website (https://www.cftt.nist.gov/).

This document reports the results from testing Axiom v3.9.0.18130 decoding and analysis of mobile devices JTAG and Chip-Off binaries.

Test results from other tools can be found on the DHS S&T-sponsored digital forensics webpage, <u>https://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/nist-cftt-reports</u>.

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How to Read This Report

This report is divided into four sections. Section 1 identifies and provides a summary of any significant anomalies observed in the test runs. This section is sufficient for most readers to assess the suitability of the tool for the intended use. Section 2 identifies the mobile devices used for testing. Section 3 lists testing environment, the internal memory data objects used to populate the mobile devices. Section 4 provides an overview of the test case results reported by the tool.

Test Results for Binary Image (JTAG, Chip-Off) Decoding and Analysis Tool

Tool Tested:	Axiom
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1 Results Summary

Below is a comprehensive summary of how Axiom v3.9.0 performed when parsing and extracting supported data objects and elements from the JTAG and Chip-Off images of mobile devices. Except for the following anomalies, the tool was able to decode and report all supported data objects completely and accurately for all Chip-Off and JTAG binary images tested.

Social Media Data:

 Twitter social media data was partially reported i.e., account related information. (Device: LG K7_Chip-Off)

For more test result details see section 4.

2 Mobile Device Binary Images

The following table lists the mobile device binaries used for testing Axiom v3.9.0.

Make	Model	OS Version	Data Extraction
HTC	Desire S	Android 2.3 Gingerbread	Chip-Off, JTAG
HTC	One Mini	Android 4.2 Jelly Bean	Chip-Off, JTAG
HTC	One XL	Android 4.0 Ice Cream Sandwich	Chip-Off, JTAG
Samsung	S4	Android 4.2 Jelly Bean	Chip-Off, JTAG
HTC	Desire 626	Android 5.1 Lollipop	Chip-Off
LG	K7	Android 5.1 Lollipop	Chip-Off
ZTE	Z970	Android 4.4 KitKat	Chip-Off
Samsung	S2	Android 2.3 Gingerbread	Chip-Off

Table 1: Mobile Device Binary Images

3 Testing Environment

The tests were run in the NIST CFTT lab. This section describes the selected test execution environment, and the data objects populated onto the internal memory of mobile devices.

3.1 Execution Environment

Axiom v3.9.0 was installed on Windows 10 Pro version 10.0.14393.

3.2 Internal Memory Data Objects

Axiom v3.9.0 was tested for its ability to parse and extract supported data objects and elements from the JTAG and Chip-Off images of the test mobile devices. Table 2 below, defines the data objects and elements used for populating the mobile devices provided the mobile device supports the data element.

Data Objects	Data Elements
	Regular Length
	Maximum Length
	Special Character
	Blank Name
Address Book Entries	Regular Length, Email
Address Book Entries	Regular Length, Graphic
	Regular Length, Address
	Deleted Entry
	Non-Latin Entry
	Contact Groups
Personal Information	Regular Length
Manager (PIM) Data:	Maximum Length
Datebook/Calendar;	Deleted Entry
Memos	Special Character
Memos	Blank Entry
	Incoming
	Outgoing
	Missed
Call Logs	Incoming – Deleted
	Outgoing – Deleted
	Missed – Deleted

Table 2: Internal Memory Data Objects

Data Objects	Data Elements
	Incoming Short Message Service
	(SMS) – Read
	Incoming SMS – Unread
	Outgoing SMS
	Incoming Enhanced Message
	Service (EMS) – Read
Text Messages	Incoming EMS – Unread
	Outgoing EMS
	Incoming SMS – Deleted
	Outgoing SMS – Deleted
	Incoming EMS – Deleted
	Outgoing EMS – Deleted
	Non-Latin SMS/EMS
	Incoming Audio
	Incoming Graphic
Multimedia Messaging	Incoming Video
Service (MMS) Messages	Outgoing Audio
	Outgoing Graphic
	Outgoing Video
Application Data	Device Specific App Data
	Audio
	Graphic
Stand-Alone Data Files	Video
Stand-Atone Data Thes	Audio – Deleted
	Graphic – Deleted
	Video – Deleted
	Visited Sites
Internet Data	Bookmarks
	E-mail
Location Data	GPS Coordinates
	Geo-tagged Data
	Facebook
	Twitter
	LinkedIn
Social Media Data	Instagram
	Pinterest
	SnapChat
	WhatsApp

Table 2: Internal Memory Data Objects (Continued)

4 Test Results

This section provides the test case results reported by the tool. Sections 4.1 - 4.2 identify the make and model of the mobile device used for creating the binary image and data extraction technique employed i.e., Chip-Off, JTAG.

The *Test Cases* column in sections 4.1 and 4.2 are comprised of two sub-columns that define a test category and individual sub-categories that are verified when decoding and analyzing the associated binary image. The results are as follows:

As Expected: the mobile forensic application returned expected test results – the tool parsed and extracted supported data objects from the JTAG, Chip-Off binary successfully.

Partial: the mobile forensic application returned some of data from the JTAG, Chip-Off binary.

Not As Expected: the mobile forensic application failed to return expected test results – the tool did not acquire or report supported data from the JTAG, Chip-Off binary successfully.

NA: Not Applicable – the mobile forensic application is unable to perform the test, or the tool does not provide support for the acquisition for a particular data element.

4.1 Chip-Off Data Extractions

The internal memory contents for Chip-Off binary images were decoded and analyzed with Axiom v3.9.0.

All test cases pertaining to the acquisition of supported Android devices were successful except for the following:

• Twitter social media data was partially reported i.e., account related information. (Device: *LG K7*)

Notes:

-Devices defined in the table below with an '*' e.g., HTC One XL*, both Chip-Off and JTAG data extractions were performed.

-When performing the Chip-Off data extraction, it appeared the HTC One Mini had suffered water damage, which may lead to differences in the data reported for the JTAG compared to Chip-Off.

- Deleted Contacts, Calendar, Memo/Note entries were recovered for the HTC Desire 626, ZTE 970, Samsung S2, HTC One XL, Samsung S4, and HTC One Mini.
- Deleted Contacts and Calendar entries were recovered for the LG K7 and HTC Desire S.
- Deleted Call logs were recovered for the LG K7, ZTE 970, Samsung S2, HTC One XL, Samsung S4, HTC One Mini, and HTC Desire S.
- Deleted SMS entries were recovered for the HTC Desire 626, LG K7, ZTE 970, Samsung S2, HTC One XL, Samsung S4, HTC One Mini, and HTC Desire S.
- Deleted bookmark entries were recovered for the HTC Desire 626, ZTE 970, Samsung S2, HTC One XL, Samsung S4, HTC One Mini, and HTC Desire S.

See Table 3 below for more details.

	Axiom v3.9.0								
Mobile Device Binary Images: Chip-Off									
Test Cases – Chip- Off Binary Decoding and Analysis		HTC Desire 626	LG K7	ZTE 970	Samsung S2	HTC One XL*	Samsung S4*	HTC One Mini*	HTC Desire S*
	International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMEI)	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
Equipment/ User Data	Mobile Equipment Identity (MEID)/Elec tronic Serial Number (ESN)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Mobile Station International Subscriber Directory Number (MSISDN)	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Contacts	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
PIM Data	Calendar	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Memos/ Notes	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Incoming	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
Call Logs	Outgoing	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Missed	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
SMS	Incoming	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
SMS Messages	Outgoing	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Graphic	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
MMS Messages	Audio	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
Messages	Video	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
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 Table 3: Chip-Off Data Extractions

	Axiom v3.9.0								
		Mobile Device Binary Images: Chip-Off							
Test Cases – Chip- Off Binary Decoding and Analysis		HTC Desire 626	LG K7	ZTE 970	Samsung S2	HTC One XL*	Samsung S4*	HTC One Mini*	HTC Desire S*
	Graphic	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	NA	NA
Stand-Alone Files	Audio	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	NA	NA
	Video	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	NA	NA
Application Data	Documents (txt, pdf files)	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Facebook	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	NA	As Expected	As Expected	NA
	Twitter	As Expected	Partial	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	LinkedIn	As Expected	As Expected	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Social Media Data	Instagram	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	NA	As Expected	NA	NA
	Pinterest	NA	As Expected	As Expected	NA	NA	As Expected	NA	NA
	SnapChat	NA	As Expected	As Expected	NA	NA	As Expected	NA	NA
	WhatsApp	NA	As Expected	As Expected	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Bookmarks	As Expected	NA	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
Internet Data	History	As Expected	NA	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Email	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
GPS Data	Coordinates/ Geo-tagged	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	Not As Expected	As Expected
Non-Latin Character	Reported in native format	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
Hashing	Case File/ Individual Files	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
Case File Data Protection	Modify Case Data	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected

 Table 3: Chip-Off Data Extractions (Continued)

4.2 JTAG Data Extractions

The internal memory contents for JTAG binary images were decoded and analyzed with Axiom v3.9.0.

All test cases pertaining to the acquisition of supported Android devices were successful.

Notes:

-Devices defined in the table below with an '*' e.g., HTC One Mini*, both Chip-Off and JTAG data extractions were performed.

- Deleted Contacts and Calendar entries were recovered for the HTC Desire S, HTC One XL, and Samsung S4.
- > Deleted Contacts were recovered for the HTC One Mini.
- Deleted Memo/Note entries were recovered for the HTC One Mini, HTC One XL, and Samsung S4.
- Deleted Call logs were recovered for the HTC Desire S, HTC One XL, and Samsung S4.
- Deleted SMS entries were recovered for the HTC Desire S, HTC One Mini, HTC One XL, and Samsung S4.
- Deleted bookmark entries were recovered for the HTC Desire S, HTC One Mini, HTC One XL, and Samsung S4.

See Table 4 below for more details.

Axiom v3.9.0							
Mobile Device Binary Images: JTAG							
Binary De	es – JTAG ecoding and alysis	HTC Desire S*	HTC One Mini*	HTC One XL*	Samsung S4*		
	IMEI	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
Equipment/ User Data	MEID/ESN	NA	NA	NA	NA		
User Data	MSISDN	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Contacts	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
PIM Data	Calendar	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Memos/Notes	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Incoming	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
Call Logs	Outgoing	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Missed	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
SMS	Incoming	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
Messages	Outgoing	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Graphic	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
MMS Messages	Audio	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Video	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Graphic	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
Stand-Alone Files	Audio	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Video	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
Application Data	Documents (txt, pdf files)	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
	Facebook	NA	As Expected	NA	As Expected		
Social	Twitter	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected		
Media Data	LinkedIn	NA	NA	NA	NA		
	Instagram	NA	NA	NA	As Expected		

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		Mobile Device Binary Images: JTAG						
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	Pinterest	NA	NA	NA	As Expected			
Social Media Data	SnapChat	NA	NA	NA	As Expected			
	WhatsApp	NA	NA	NA	NA			
	Bookmarks	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected			
Internet Data	History	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected			
	Email	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected			
GPS Data	Coordinates/ Geo-tagged	As Expected	NA	As Expected	As Expected			
Non-Latin Character	Reported in native format	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected			
Hashing	Case File/ Individual Files	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected			
Case File Data Protection	Modify Case Data	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected			

Table 4: JTAG Data Extractions