

# The International Association of Computer Investigative Specialists

# Applied Scripting Forensic Techniques

## **Core Competencies**

IACIS Applied Scripting Forensic Techniques (ASF) Program

The ASF core competencies described in this document are a binding set of competencies that guide the training program to ensure that the skills and knowledge points are delivered within the training program.

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There are five competency areas addressed in the ASF Program:

- i. Data Extraction Techniques
- ii. Scripting Language Proficiency
- iii. Problem Solving and Critical Thinking
- iv. Command Line Proficiency
- v. Practical Application and Hands-On Experience

#### i. Data Extraction Techniques

- a. Understanding the principles of data extraction from various sources.
- b. Mastery of using scripting languages like RegEx, SQL, Batch, BASH, Python, and PowerShell for data extraction.
- c. Proficiency in using Linux command-line tools for extracting unstructured file data.

### ii. Scripting Language Proficiency

- Developing skills in writing scripts using RegEx, SQLite, Batch, BASH, Python, and PowerShell
- b. Understanding and application of custom scripts to solve specific forensic challenges.
- c. Applying scripting techniques to automate repetitive tasks and enhance efficiency in data extraction.

#### iii. Problem Solving and Critical Thinking

- a. Knowledge of complex forensic problems where automated tools fail.
- b. Developing innovative solutions through scripting to extract and interpret hidden data.

### iv. Command Line Proficiency

- a. Understanding use of Linux command-line for forensic purposes.
- b. Employing alternate command-line extraction techniques for unstructured data.

c. Enhancing command-line skills to complement and extend the capabilities of standard forensic tools.

## v. Practical Application and Hands-On Experience

a. Applying scripting knowledge to support forensic case examinations.

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