















PC-3000 HDD DATA RECOVERY ADVANCED TRAINING

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MAIN PART

- 1. HDD boot sequence from power-up to complete readiness. Terminal modes (ESLIP, Online, Diag), their availability during various boot.
- 2. Firmware structure and arrangement. Groups of system files (vol 0, 3, 5...).
- **3.** Monitoring of system files loading progress in a drive. Methods for identification of corrupted System Files using terminal commands (CtrlR, CtrlX, T>y) and by utility automatically detected information.
- 4. Media Cache. Definition, influence on drive operation, typical problems and their solutions.
- 5. Registry system file.
- **6.** Saved Mode Pages system file.
- 7. 3.93, 3.17A, 3.346, 3.181, and 3.182 system files their influence on HDD boot sequence, availability of technological mode commands, typical problems and their solutions.
- **8.** The "No Host PhysReadyStatus Flags" status.
- 9. HDD firmware overlays. Loader (definition, creation, usage).
- **10.** Translator and its influence on HDD boot sequence and operation.
- 11. Work with defect lists (Servo Flaws list, TA list, P-List, Non resident G-list, Alt-list).
- **12.** Translator restoration methods. Automatic and manual solutions of translation problems. Structures of involved objects, typical corruptions, opportunities for quick restoration in case of partial corruption.
- **13.** Changes in drive configuration necessary at the beginning of work on it. HDD ID editing on SA surface and in RAM. Alt-List integrity analysis, the necessity and acceptability of clearing the DOS tables and SMART.
- 14. "Utility actions" for Data Extractor.
- 15. Physical HDD damage. Corresponding symptoms and recognition methods.
- **16.** HDD controller damage cases. Searching for a controller donor.



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- **17.** Damaged magnetic heads. Detection, methods of HDD start using isolation of damaged heads. Selecting a head donor.
- 18. HotSwap. Theoretical background of the process, methods of HotSwap donor preparation.
- 19. Drives with locked factory mode. Description and unlocking methods.
- **20.** The procedure of the read channel short circuiting to obtain access to the terminal of hung drives.
- 21. Terminal commands: the list of helpful commands with descriptions.
 - CtrlT
 - ► CtrlR
 - ▶ CtrlZ
 - CtrlL
 - ► CtrlX
 - ▶ T>Vx
 - ► T>ix,1,22
 - T>m0,6,2,...,22
 - ► T>m0,6,3,,,,,22
 - ▶ 1>N1
 - ▶ 2>x
 - ▶ 7>X
 - ▶ 7>m100
 - A>Fxxxx,xxxx,,10
 - ► C>Ux

LAB PRACTICE:

- ▶ Invalid extra defects in Non-resident G-List.
- Detecting lost POST track defects.
- Detecting a damaged head.
- ▶ Using short circuit to restore access to data in a hung Seagate F3 HDD with corrupted Media Cache.
- ▶ Obtaining access to technological mode in drives with firmware locks (locks of Lombard (Diag) and Grenada (Tech all) types).
- ▶ Using the procedure of technological mode unlocking with a hung Seagate F3 HDD without FW lock for obtaining access to the terminal.