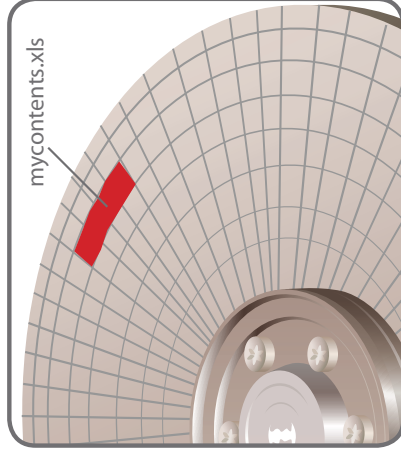


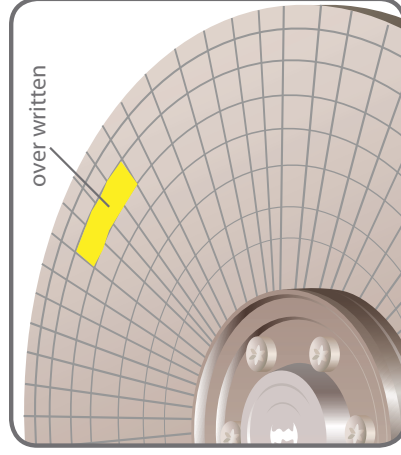
How are Deleted Files and Data Recovered?

Computers Don't Immediately Remove Data that is Deleted

Original Data

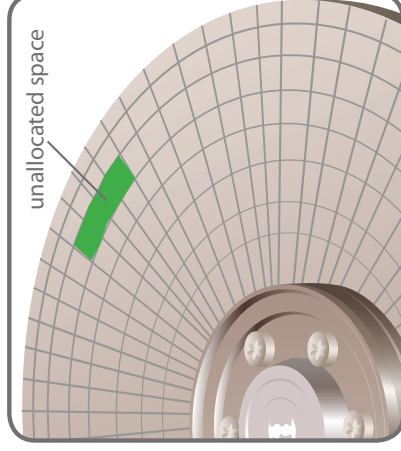


Data Wiped Clean or Shredded



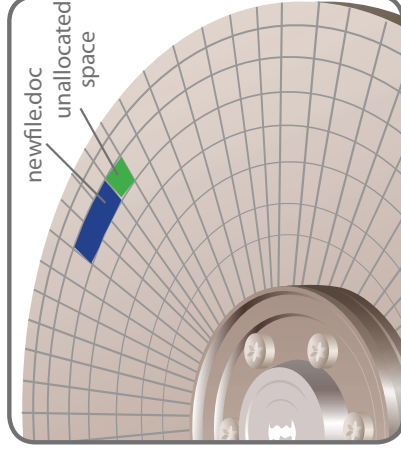
The data can be wiped clean or shredded using privacy software.

Deleted Data



The original data is still present, but marked as unallocated space.

Partially Overwritten Data



Over time, some or all of the data can be overwritten. The remaining data can still be "carved" and reviewed.

What is unallocated space?

Unallocated Space is available disk space that is not allocated to any volume. The type of volume that you can create on unallocated space depends on the disk type. On basic disks, you can use unallocated space to create primary or extended partitions. On dynamic disks, you can use unallocated space to create dynamic volumes.

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