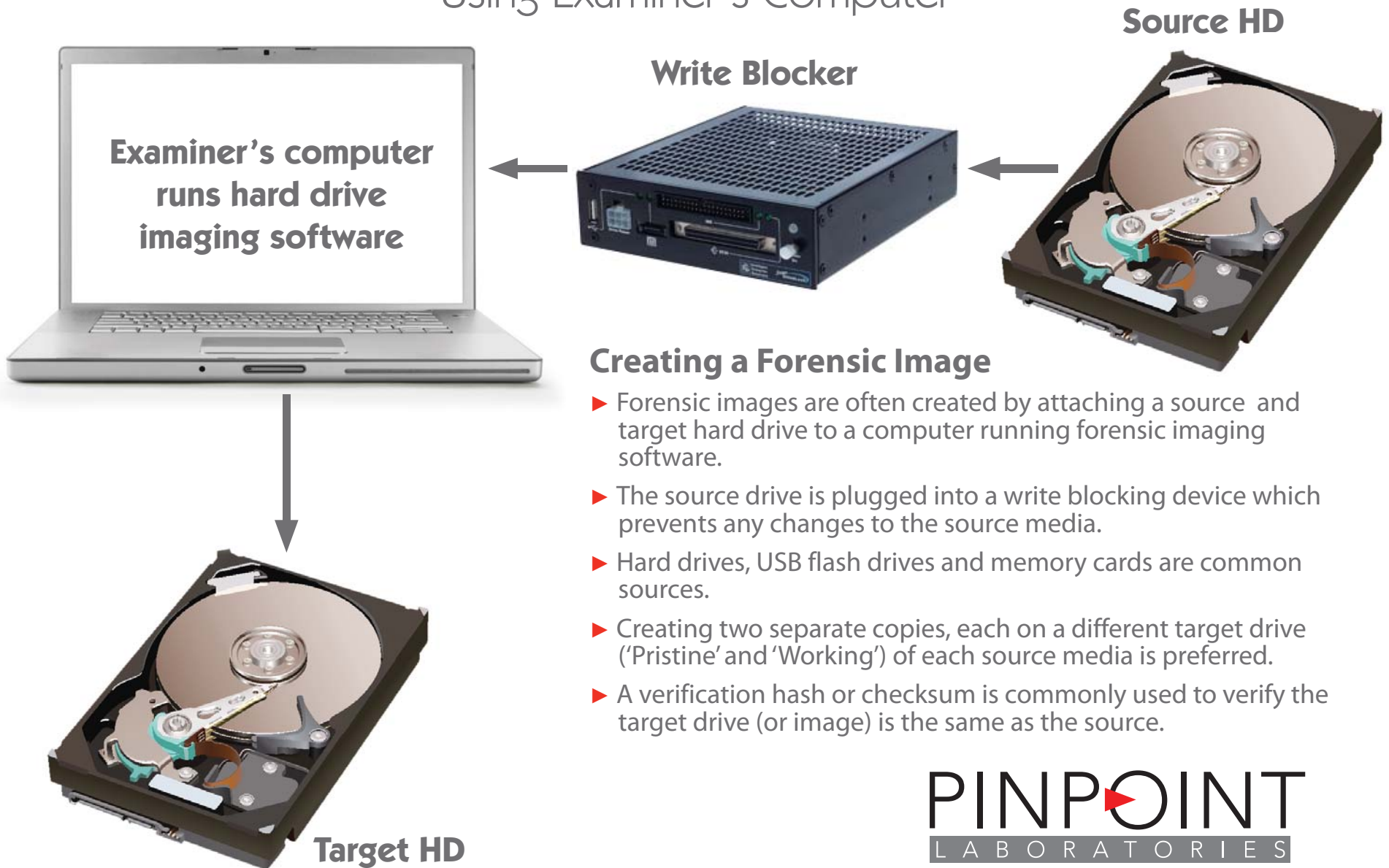


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Creating a Forensic Image

- ▶ Forensic images are often created by attaching a source and target hard drive to a computer running forensic imaging software.
- ▶ The source drive is plugged into a write blocking device which prevents any changes to the source media.
- ▶ Hard drives, USB flash drives and memory cards are common sources.
- ▶ Creating two separate copies, each on a different target drive ('Pristine' and 'Working') of each source media is preferred.
- ▶ A verification hash or checksum is commonly used to verify the target drive (or image) is the same as the source.

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