

# Skill Development Program

# Open Source Intelligence (OSINT)

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- All the information that we gather and analyze are from publicly available sources.
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#### What is OSINT?

- Open source intelligence (OSINT) is data collected from publicly available sources to be used in an intelligence context. It is not related to open source software or public intelligence.
- OSINT sources can be divided into different categories of information flow:
  - 1. Media
  - 2. Internet
  - 3. Public government data
  - 4. Professional and academic publications
  - 5. Commercial data

#### What can we find with OSINT

- Email addresses
- Phone numbers
- Addresses
- Identities
- Background checks
- Social media accounts
- Criminal records
- Scams
- and More



#### Who uses OSINT?

- Law enforcement
- Security professionals
- Malicious hackers
- Businesses
- Investigators
- Journalists
- **Common Citizens**







# By piecing the information together we can build a bigger picture

- We gather and analyze data on our target
- That data can lead to other users that interact with our target
- By collecting information we can ultimately build a broader picture of what we are looking for.

#### Example:

- 1. Any social media platform
- 2. Data breach dump
- 3. Users real identity & location

#### Employers checking on social media

Employers may use OSINT to monitor social media activity related to their company or its employees.



#### What is a Sock Puppet?

- Also can be referred to as a burner account
- This is an account that we can use that is not associated to us in any way
- Use a fake name, location, job, image etc.

#### Why do we need a sock puppet account?

- Depending on who we are investigating and they may dox us with our own information.
- We may spook the targets if they know we are viewing their page or draw suspicion.

#### Additional consideration

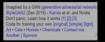
- Always use your account in your OSINT VM
- If you run a VPN Facebook may flag your account
- Using TOR is a good option

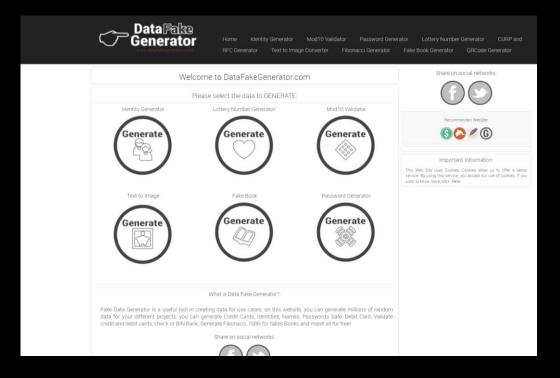
## Sock Puppet

The tools need to create a sock puppet accounts are

- This person does not exist
- Fake data generator



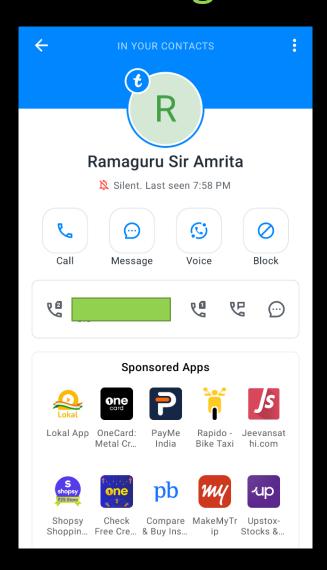


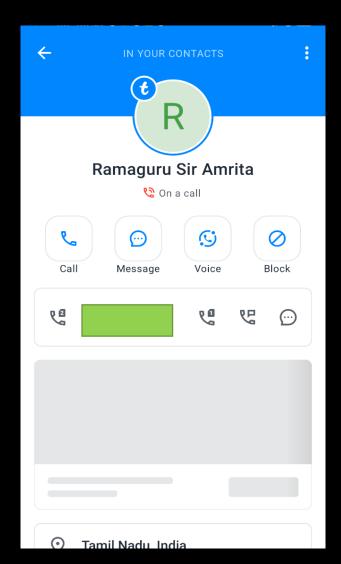


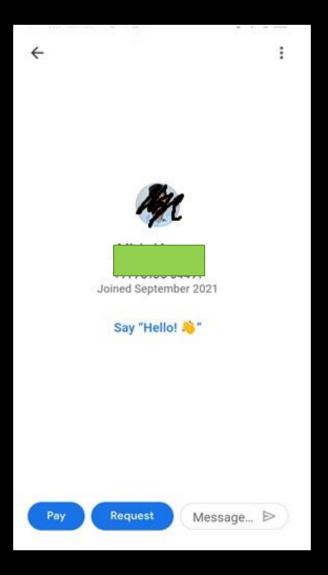
#### Google Advanced Operators

- "ramaxxxx@gmail.com" It will search exact keyword that we want
- cache:facebook.com/udemy The target post was deleted its cache would be with the google
- Password filetype:xls Used to search the passwords which are available with google
- site: www.facebook.com elon musk In the particular site it will search
- phonebook:bill gates Find someones phone number available in google
- Camera \$400 Search for a price of a product
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- loc:"india" facebook Find news from a certain location in Google News

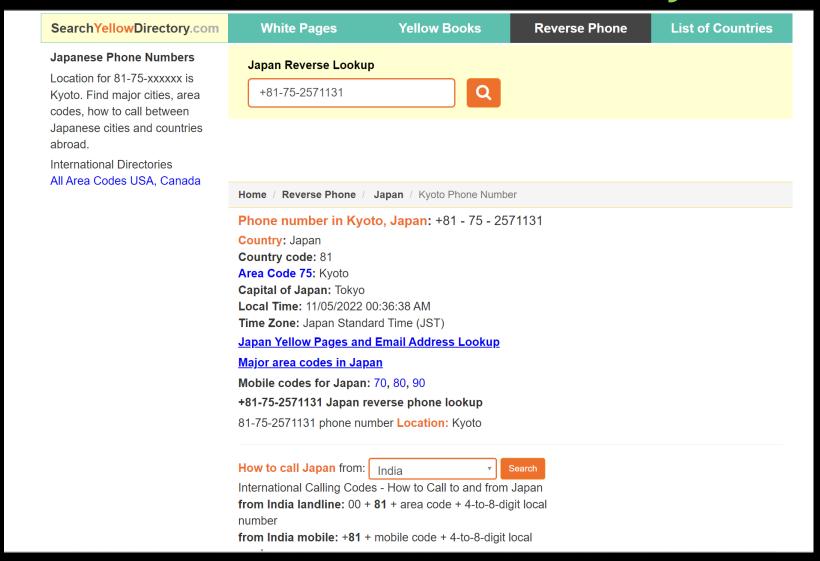
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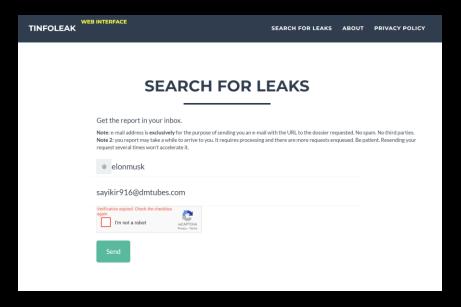
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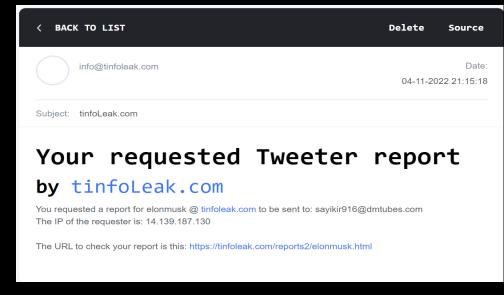
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#### Tinfoleak

Tinfoleak is a website which gives the information about the people from twitter

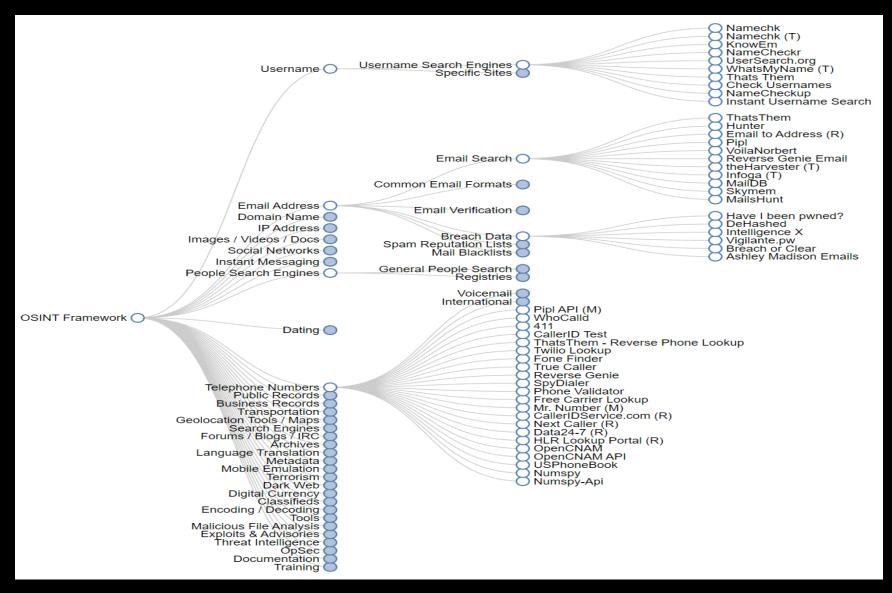


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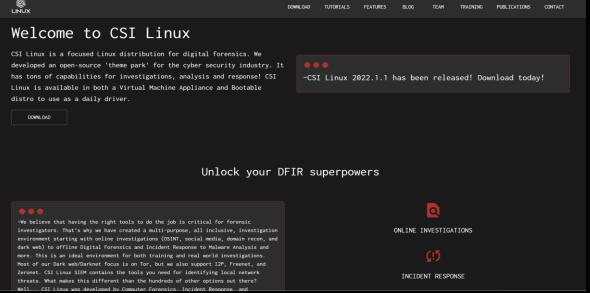
#### OSINT Framework



#### OSINT Operating System

- Trace Labs OSINT VM
- CSI Linux



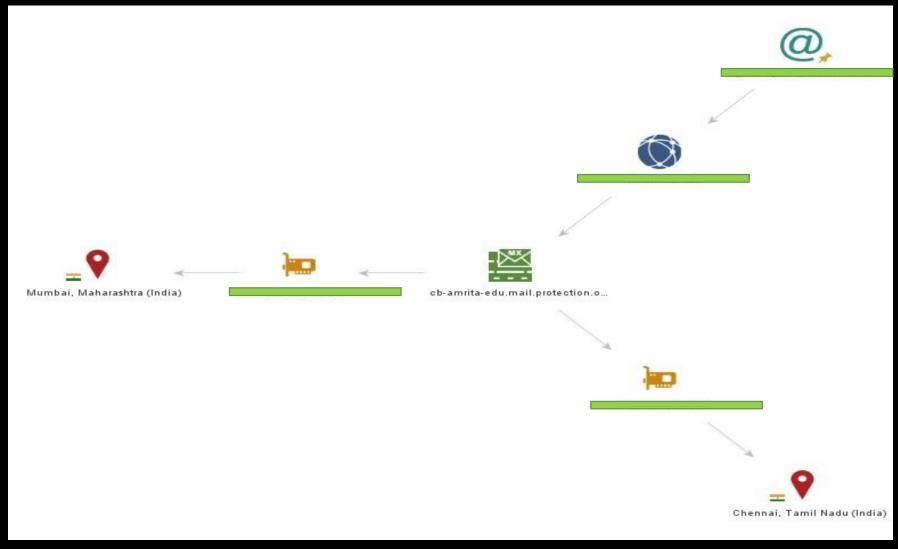


#### Maltego

- Open-source intelligence and forensics, developed by Paterva, South Africa.
- Graphical link analysis tool for gathering and connecting information for investigative tasks.
- Java application that runs on Windows, Mac and Linux.

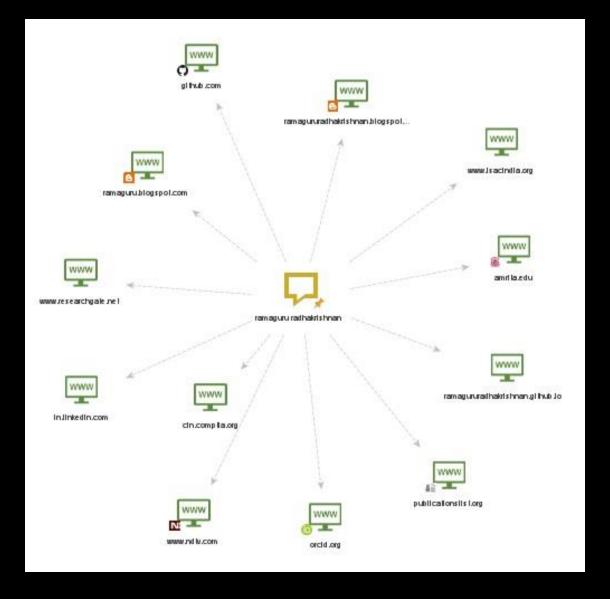


## Example 1: Email based Search



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#### Example 2: Name based Search



# Example 3: Whois Record



# Thank You for listening patiently

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