

# TRAINING DAY 18 REPORT:

- **Traceroute Analysis**

**Traceroute** is a command-line network diagnostic tool used to track the path that packets take from a source computer to a destination host across the internet.

**How It Works:**

It sends packets with increasing Time-To-Live (TTL) values. Each router that handles the packet decrements the TTL, and when TTL reaches 0, the router replies with a "Time Exceeded" message.

**Purpose:**

- Identify path of data
- Find latency or packet loss at each hop
- Troubleshoot routing loops or failures

**Example Command:**

```
traceroute example.com    # Linux/macOS
tracert example.com       # Windows
```

**Used In:**

1. Network troubleshooting
2. Footprinting to identify intermediate routers
3. Understanding infrastructure between attacker and target

- **Introduction to Maltego**

**Maltego** is an open-source intelligence (OSINT) and graphical link analysis tool. It is used in cybersecurity and forensics to map the relationships between people, groups, websites, domains, IPs, and more.

**Made By:** Paterva (South Africa)

**Interface:** Drag-and-drop graph system with nodes (entities) and links (relationships)

## • **Features of Maltego :**

### 1. **Graph-Based Interface:**

Visualizes entities like domains, IPs, emails, organizations, etc.

### 2. **Transforms:**

Automated queries to gather OSINT data from many public databases.

### 3. **Custom Entities and Transforms:**

Users can add their own data sources and transforms.

### 4. **Data Correlation:**

Automatically connects related data points.

### 5. **Integration:**

Works with external tools like Shodan, HaveIBeenPwned, etc.

**Transform Example:** Convert a domain name to DNS records, then to IP, then find location, owners, etc.

## **Information Gathering Using Maltego**

Maltego can perform:

1. Passive Reconnaissance (without alerting target)
2. Mapping out:
  - Domain Names
  - IP Addresses
  - Nameservers, MX Records
  - Email addresses
  - Organizations and Social Media links

For example: From a single domain like `example.com`, Maltego can discover associated emails, phone numbers, IPs, servers, and related websites.

- **Maltego – Using the Tool Efficiently**

Tips for effective Maltego usage:

1. **Use Case Planning** – Know your objective (e.g., track phishing, find breach source, etc.)
2. **Use proper transform sets** – Limit noise by choosing relevant transforms
3. **Entity Management** – Rename, tag, and organize entities for clarity
4. **Combine Entities** – Merge graphs to correlate different data points
5. **Export Reports** – Graphs and relationships can be exported for reporting or presentation

- **Maltego Transform Hub**

The **Transform Hub** in **Maltego** is a built-in marketplace that provides **ready-to-use data sources** called **transforms**. These transforms are small programs that **automatically gather related data** from the internet and add it to your Maltego graph.

### **What Are Transforms?**

- A **transform** takes one data point (like a domain name) and finds related ones (like IPs, emails, or DNS).

Example: You right-click a domain → select a transform → it fetches subdomains or WHOIS info.

### **What You Can Find in the Transform Hub?**

There are three types of transform sets:

1. **OSINT Transforms (Free)**

Example:

- **Shodan**: Finds devices and open ports
- **VirusTotal**: Checks malware

- **DNSDumpster**: Finds subdomains

## 2. **Commercial Transforms (Paid)**

Example:

- **DomainTools, Recorded Future** – provide deep threat intelligence
- Require API keys or subscriptions

## 3. **Custom/Internal Transforms**

- Made by organizations for their private use
- Useful in enterprise or red-team operations

### **Why It's Useful**

- Saves time – no need to manually search
- Access multiple tools from one place
- Great for **OSINT, cyber investigations, ethical hacking**

## • **How to Create Shodan Account**

1. Go to [shodan.io](https://shodan.io)
2. Click **Sign Up**
3. Enter your email, create a username & password
4. Verify via email
5. Once signed in, you'll get **limited free credits**
6. You can upgrade to **Shodan Membership** to unlock more powerful features like advanced search and filters

## • **Maltego Integration with Shodan**

- Shodan provides transforms (data fetchers) inside Maltego
- Steps:
  1. Get your **Shodan API key** from your Shodan account
  2. Open Maltego > Go to **Transform Hub**

3. Search for **Shodan** and install it
  4. Paste your API key when prompted
- You can now right-click entities in Maltego and run Shodan transforms to find:
5. Open ports
  6. Services
  7. Connected devices
  8. Geo-location of IPs

- **OSINT Framework**

1. **OSINT** = Open-Source Intelligence
2. The **OSINT Framework** is a web-based resource that categorizes tools and websites used for information gathering.
3. Website: [osintframework.com](https://osintframework.com)
4. Organized by:
  - People (usernames, emails)
  - Infrastructure (domains, IPs)
  - Social networks
  - Dark web, and more
5. It links you to external tools and resources
6. It's not a tool by itself, but a collection of **OSINT sources**