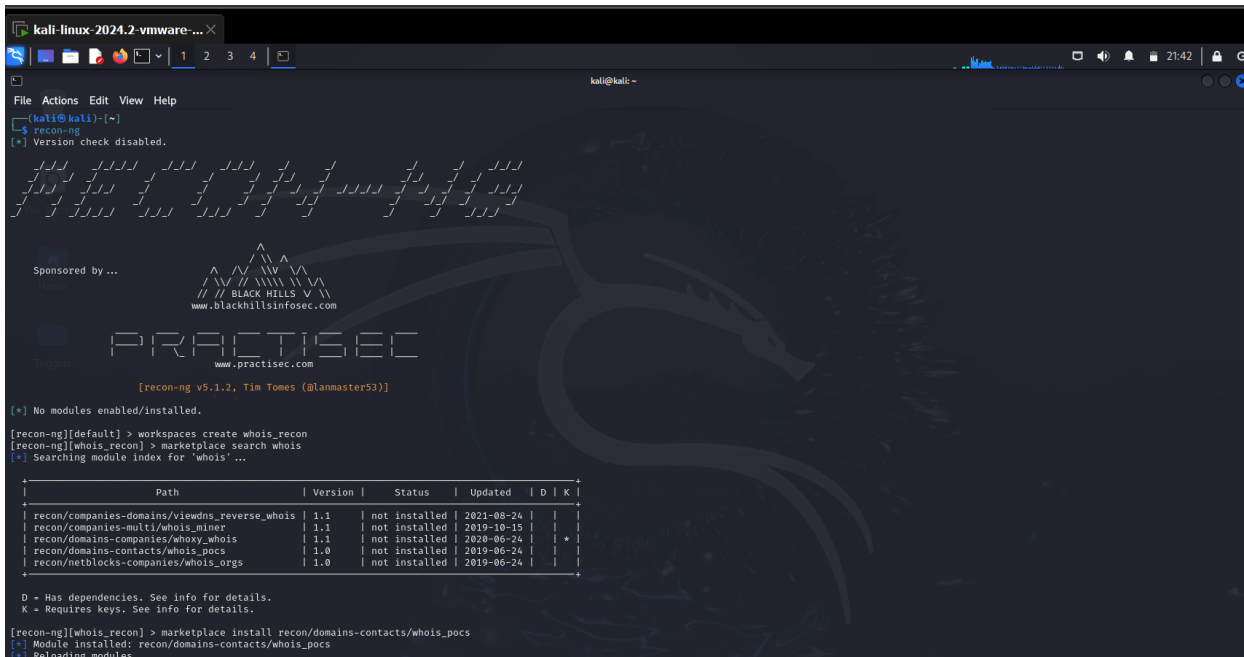


# RECON-NG

Recon-ng is a web-based open source reconnaissance tool (OSINT) written in Python, often paired with the Kali Linux penetration distribution. Using Kali-Linux in a virtual machine for the purpose of this lab.

## LAB WALKTHROUGH:

**First Step:** I begin the lab by opening Kali Linux within your virtual machine. Then, open terminal and type recon-ng



```
kali@kali:~$ recon-ng
[+] Version check disabled.

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[recon-ng v5.1.2, Tim Tomes (@lanmaster53)]

[+] No modules enabled/installed.

[recon-ng][default] > workspace create whois_recon
[recon-ng][whois_recon] > marketplace search whois
[+] Searching module index for 'whois' ...

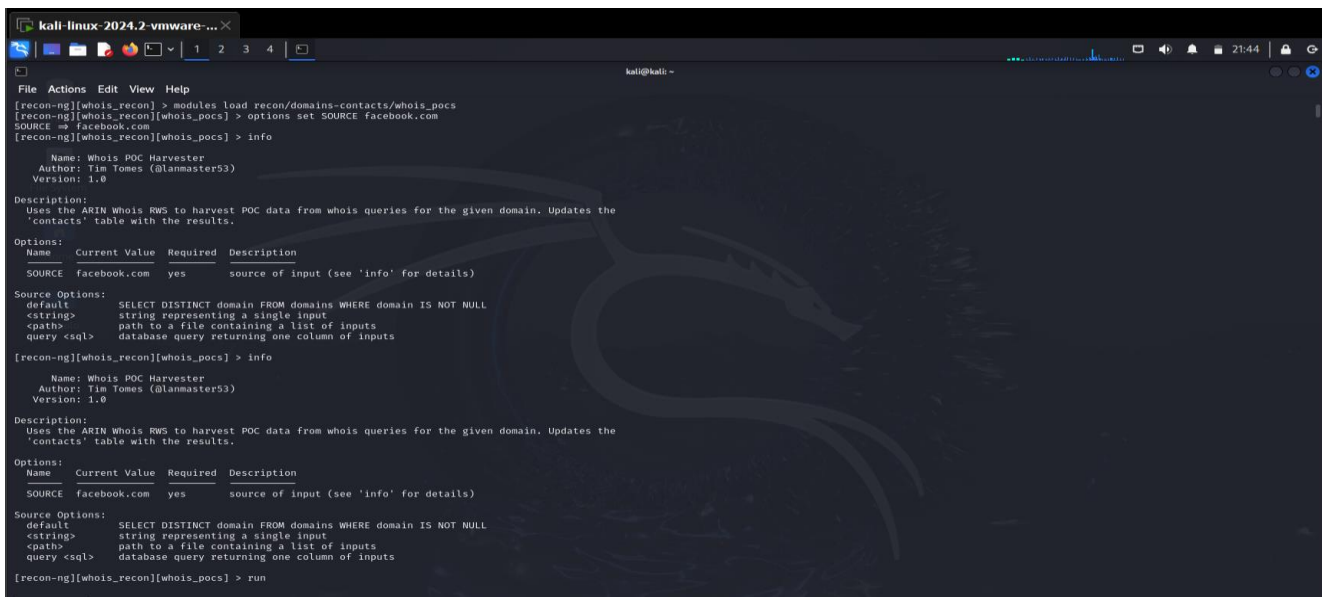
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| Path                                     | Version | Status | Updated | D | K |
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| recon/companies-domains/viewdns_reverse_whois | 1.1     | not installed | 2021-08-24 | | |
| recon/companies-multi/whois_miner           | 1.1     | not installed | 2019-10-15 | | |
| recon/domains-companies/whoxy_whois         | 1.1     | not installed | 2020-06-24 | | *|
| recon/domains-contacts/whois_pocs          | 1.0     | not installed | 2019-06-24 | | |
| recon/netblocks-companies/whois_orgs        | 1.0     | not installed | 2019-06-24 | | |
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D = Has dependencies. See info for details.
K = Requires keys. See info for details.

[recon-ng][whois_recon] > marketplace install recon/domains-contacts/whois_pocs
[+] Module installed: recon/domains-contacts/whois_pocs
[+] Reloading modules ...
```

**Second Step:** I gathered information about the target domain-name. WHOIS information is available to anyone, it is ok to do this for any domain. The domain I will be targeted is “facebook.com”.

I begin by searching WHOIS information, before commencing I installed the WHOIS search module by typing “marketplace search whois”. Installing the fourth option which is “recon/domains-contacts/whois\_pocs”.



```
[recon-ng][whois_recon] > modules load recon/domains-contacts/whois_pocs
[recon-ng][whois_recon][whois_pocs] > options set SOURCE facebook.com
SOURCE => facebook.com
[recon-ng][whois_recon][whois_pocs] > info

Name: Whois POC Harvester
Author: Tim Tomes (@lanmaster53)
Version: 1.0

Description:
  Uses the ARIN Whois RWS to harvest POC data from whois queries for the given domain. Updates the
  'contacts' table with the results.

Options:
  Name      Current Value  Required  Description
  SOURCE    facebook.com   yes       source of input (see 'info' for details)

Source Options:
  default  SELECT DISTINCT domain FROM domains WHERE domain IS NOT NULL
  <string>  string representing a single input
  <path>    path to a file containing a list of inputs
  query <sql> database query returning one column of inputs

[recon-ng][whois_recon][whois_pocs] > info

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[recon-ng][whois_recon][whois_pocs] > run
```

marketplace install recon/domains-contacts/whois\_pocs.

**Third Step:** To begin searching, I set the source by typing: options set SOURCE facebook.com. To load the module for use, type: modules load recon/domains-contacts/whois\_pocs.

To see information about the module I typed “info” and hit enter. Searching for **WHOIS** for information gathering we simply type “**RUN**”.

```
kali-linux-2024.2-vmware-... X
kali@kali: ~
FACEBOOK.COM
[*] URL: http://whois.arin.net/rest/pocs/domain=facebook.com
[*] URL: http://whois.arin.net/rest/poc/BST184-ARIN
[*] Country: United States
[*] Email: bstout@facebook.com
[*] First_Name: Brandon
[*] Last_Name: Stout
[*] Middle_Name: None
[*] Notes: None
[*] Phone: None
[*] Region: Chicago, IL
[*] Title: Whois contact
[*]
[*] URL: http://whois.arin.net/rest/poc/OPERA82-ARIN
[*] Country: United States
[*] Email: domain@facebook.com
[*] First_Name: None
[*] Last_Name: Operations
[*] Middle_Name: None
[*] Notes: None
[*] Phone: None
[*] Region: Menlo Park, CA
[*] Title: Whois contact
[*]
SUMMARY
[*] 2 total (2 new) contacts found.
[recon-ng][whois_recon][whois_pocs] > back
[recon-ng][whois_recon] > marketplace install recon/domains-hosts/hackertarget
[*] Module installed: recon/domains-hosts/hackertarget
[*] Reloading modules...
[recon-ng][whois_recon] > modules load recon/domains-hosts/hackertarget
[recon-ng][whois_recon][hackertarget] >
[recon-ng][whois_recon][hackertarget] > options set SOURCE facebook.com
SOURCE => facebook.com
[recon-ng][whois_recon][hackertarget] > nfo
[!] Invalid command: nfo.
[recon-ng][whois_recon][hackertarget] > info
Name: HackerTarget Lookup
Author: Michael Henriksen (@michenriksen)
Version: 1.1
Description:
  Uses the HackerTarget.com API to find host names. Updates the 'hosts' table with the res
```

**Fourth Step:** I attempted to discover as many subdomains as possible, with their IPv4 address for facebook.com, using HackerTarget.com API. I imported the “hackertarget” module, as we did previously for whois\_pocs.

Before I did this, I typed “back” and enter to quit out of the whois\_pocs module and begin by searching the marketplace for “hackertarget” modules using: **marketplace search hackertarget**

Only one option showed, which is “**recon/domains-hosts/hackertarget**”. Following same step as above.

```
kali-linux-2024.2-vmware-... X
kali@kali: ~
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  Name      Current Value  Required  Description
  SOURCE    facebook.com   yes       source of input (see 'info' for details)

Source Options:
  default  SELECT DISTINCT domain FROM domains WHERE domain IS NOT NULL
  <string> string representing a single input
  <path>   path to a file containing a list of inputs
  query <sql> database query returning one column of inputs

[recon-ng][whois_recon][hackertarget] > run

FACEBOOK.COM
[*] Country: None
[*] Host: facebook.com
[*] Ip_Address: 157.248.249.35
[*] Latitude: None
[*] Longitude: None
[*] Notes: None
[*] Region: None
[*]
[*] Country: None
[*] Host: a1f.facebook.com
[*] Ip_Address: 192.168.16.27
[*] Latitude: None
[*] Longitude: None
[*] Notes: None
[*] Region: None
[*]
[*] Country: None
[*] Host: anycast-control-ext-shv-01-akl1.facebook.com
[*] Ip_Address: 31.13.78.21
[*] Latitude: None
[*] Longitude: None
[*] Notes: None
[*] Region: None
[*]
[*] Country: None
[*] Host: anycast-control-ext-shv-01-ams2.facebook.com
[*] Ip_Address: 157.248.247.16
[*] Latitude: None
[*] Longitude: None
[*] Notes: None
```