# T.O.R. project

* I applied as many security and privacy mechanisms as possible before using Tor. I have read, understand, and agree to abide with the EC-Counsel Code of Ethics.
* It was also the class last week that it finally set in that Tor was an acronym. I never realized it was The Onion Router, though I knew they were similar or possibly the same, it never dawned on me since “the” is not regularly in acronyms.
* On the Dark web: (note I used NordVPN to “be” in California before connecting.
  + Stop 1: where-am-i.co
    - I was in Romania (south east Romania) with an IP address of 185.146.232.234
  + Stop 2: searched for hidden wiki
    - There was a lot in the search so the first one was theHidden2.Wiki which is not .onion so I was sad, but none of the top ten results was .onion so oh well.
    - I used it to find a different onion search engine I had heard of before which is stop 3:
  + Stop 3: Ahmia
    - I had heard of this before and so wanted to check it out.
    - This was indeed .onion which made me feel better.
    - I used it to search for cracking island, I heard that they make hacking tool kits and stuff. None of the links worked so back to hidden wiki but one of the other ones
  + Stop 4: Pug’s Ultimate Guide to the Dark web
    - Yes there were several pictures of pugs on the website (that earned them bonus points in my head).
    - Also, had links to actual .onion hidden wiki’s which made me feel better. And this link actually worked
    - Also this site was kind of a hidden wiki of sorts and just had a lot of links to different websites in loose ish catagories.
    - It was cool to see in the list a couple of 4chan successors since we had talked about it in class recently as well. There was even a dooms day one that I dove in a little for some giggles
  + Last IP check before leaving:
    - My IP was now 185.220.100.242 and I had travelled to the North West and made my way to the middle (though a little south of dead middle) of Germany.
  + Side notes:
    - I know it bounces you around a lot when searching and that I had a VPN going at the same time but good ness did everything take two years to load with every click.
    - I get the anonymity and so the random website strings a bit, but how the heck do people expect to find things on there if everything is 30 character random numbers letters and who knows what else.
      * This brought up a topic from my head the other day, when do you think they are going to start having emojis in URLs. I kinda feel we have made it to that point that we could add a row on to for emojis or even most people don’t use the f keys, so why not replace that or add another row of emoji keys to keep as main stream (shift can make it more) and then we could do that for sure.
    - Also funny to see bit coin or other e-coins being the seemingly main method of payment on here and on all the hidden wiki/front page like site they had ways to get some, scrub some and open a wallet for some (though none of that is probably legal or safe for your bank).