



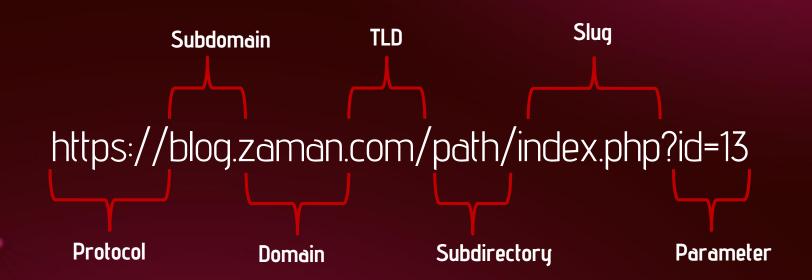
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OBJECTIVE

- Concept Development
- Structure of a URL, Character Encoding, DNS
- Use of non-ASC11 TLD in Bangladesh
- Vulnerability of Character Encoding Standers (Homograph)
- Advanced Homograph or Illusion
- Method of generate a Advanced Homograph Illusion URL
- Vectors
- Remedies

STRUCTURE OF A URL



CHARACTER ENCODING STANDARDS

- ASCII: Basic Latin characters and symbols, fully compatible with UTF-8.
- UTF-8: Widely used, supports diverse languages, variable-length encoding.
- **UTF-16:** Uses <mark>16 bits</mark> per character, common in programming.
- UTF-32: Fixed 32 bits per character, simplifies text processing.
- **1SO 8859:** Series of standards for specific languages.

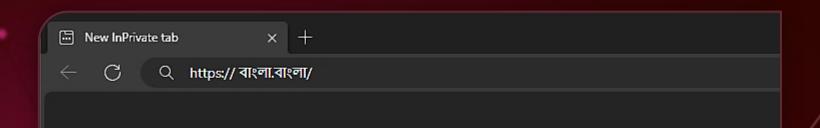
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А	-	01000001
ব	U+09AC	11100000 10100110 10101100

USE OF NON-ASCII (UNICODE) TLD IN BANGLADESH

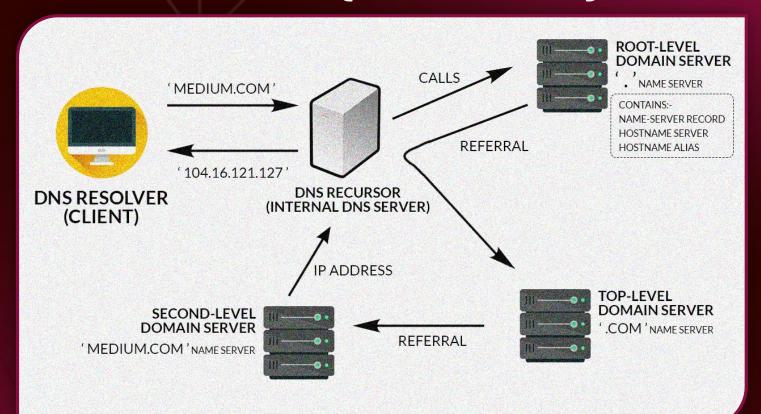
https:// वाःला.वाःला

The first domain name registered with the .বাংলা (Dot Bangla) top-level domain (TLD)

was 'वाःना.वाःना' This domain was registered on October 27, 2016



HOW A URL WORKS? (DNS CONTEXT)



VULNERABILITY OF CHARACTER ENCODING STANDERS

Homograph or Homoglyph attack

Domain	Homograph Domain	Codepoint
theteamphoenix.org	thêteamphoenix.org	'ê' U+OOEA
tapkori.com	tapkori.com	ʻ i ' U+13A5

BUT! CAN YOU FIND ANY DIFFERENCES?

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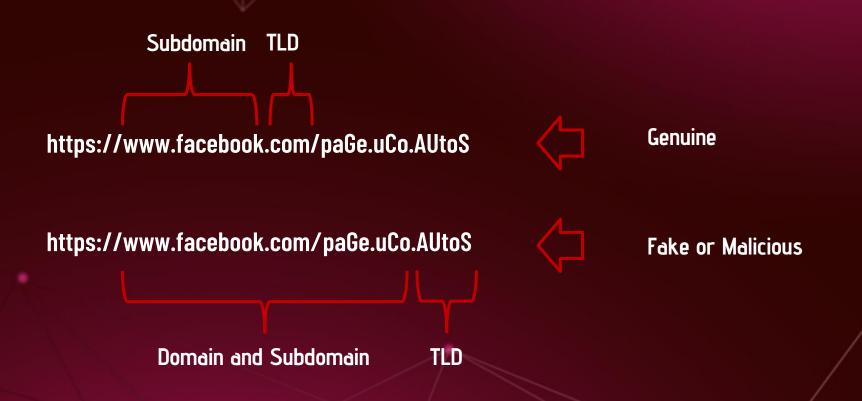
ADVANCED HOMOGRAPH OR ILLUSION

Use of DIVISION SLASH or FRACTION SLASH

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ANALYSIS



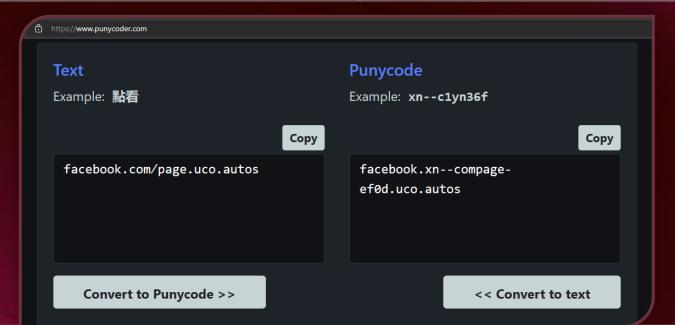
METHODOLOGY (PUNYCODE)

Domain names with non-ASCII characters would not be compatible with the existing Domain Name System (DNS) infrastructure, which primarily supports ASCII characters. Punycode provides a way to represent non-ASCII characters in a format that can be resolved by DNS servers.

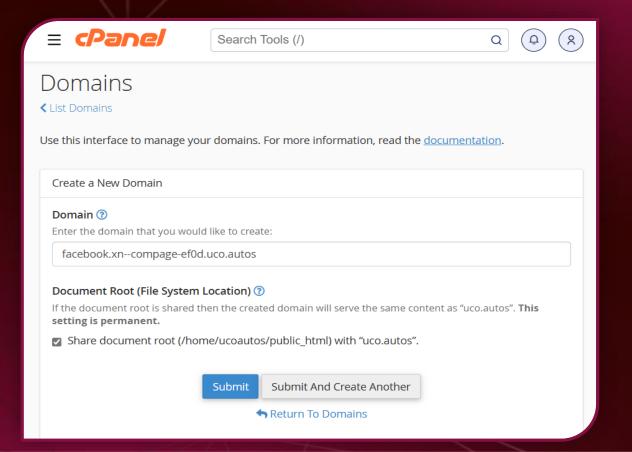
non-ASCII Character	Punycode Encoding
https:// বাংলা.বাংলা/	https://xn54b7fta0cc.xn 54b7fta0cc/

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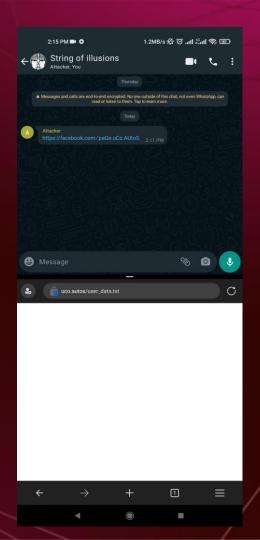


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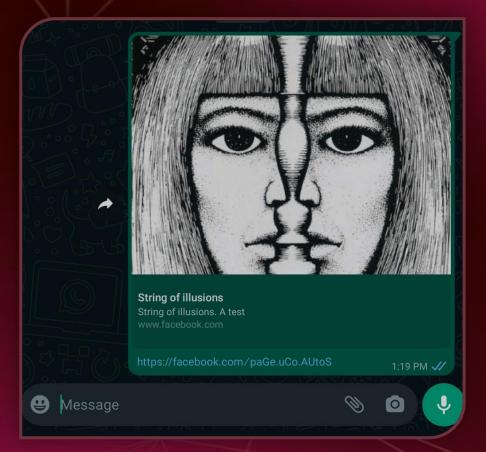


VECTORS (WHATSAPP)





THUMBNAIL WHATSAPP



VECTORS



Telegram



Messenger

HOW IT CAN BE USED

Red Team can use is as

- Advanced Phishing Attack
- IP Logger

1337 can use is as

Browser SBX (One click)

REMEDIES

- Use <mark>custom font in smartphone</mark>
- Decoder the URL in punycode decoder if suspected

...and most important

Think Before You Click

QUESTION?

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