Maltego- Full User Guide And Tutorial 2019- Kali Linux

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Howdy crackers? Here this is the number 5th tool in the list of **information gathering tools** in **Kali Linux.** We already discussed the previous tools. Check them out. The Maltego tool is most of the time used for information gathering. You can gather information to a large extent by using this tool.

The tool comes preinstalled in the Kali Linux operating system. But you can also download it for Mac and Windows. Before reading the tutorial, let's know a little about this tool.

A Little About Maltego

Maltego is an open source project and it was developed by Paterva. The tool can find the relationship between the collected information and gives a structural data about that information. This characteristic makes the tool different from other tools.

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Maltego is a lite tool and it doesn't require maximum specs to run on a PC. Maltego gives powerful search options to the user and gives smarter result than other information-gathering tools.

Maltego gives the proper demonstration of the interconnection between the searched items.

How To Use Maltego

Maltego comes preinstalled in Kali Linux but it is not the full version. You can say it a trial version or community version. It has a paid version and it gives more search options and gives a much better result.

First, you need to register with the tool to get access to the features. This is a very simple process. After completing registration you will see a login page. Login to the tool and click on the '**Create a new graph'** option at the top left corner. A blank graph will open as in the picture shown below.

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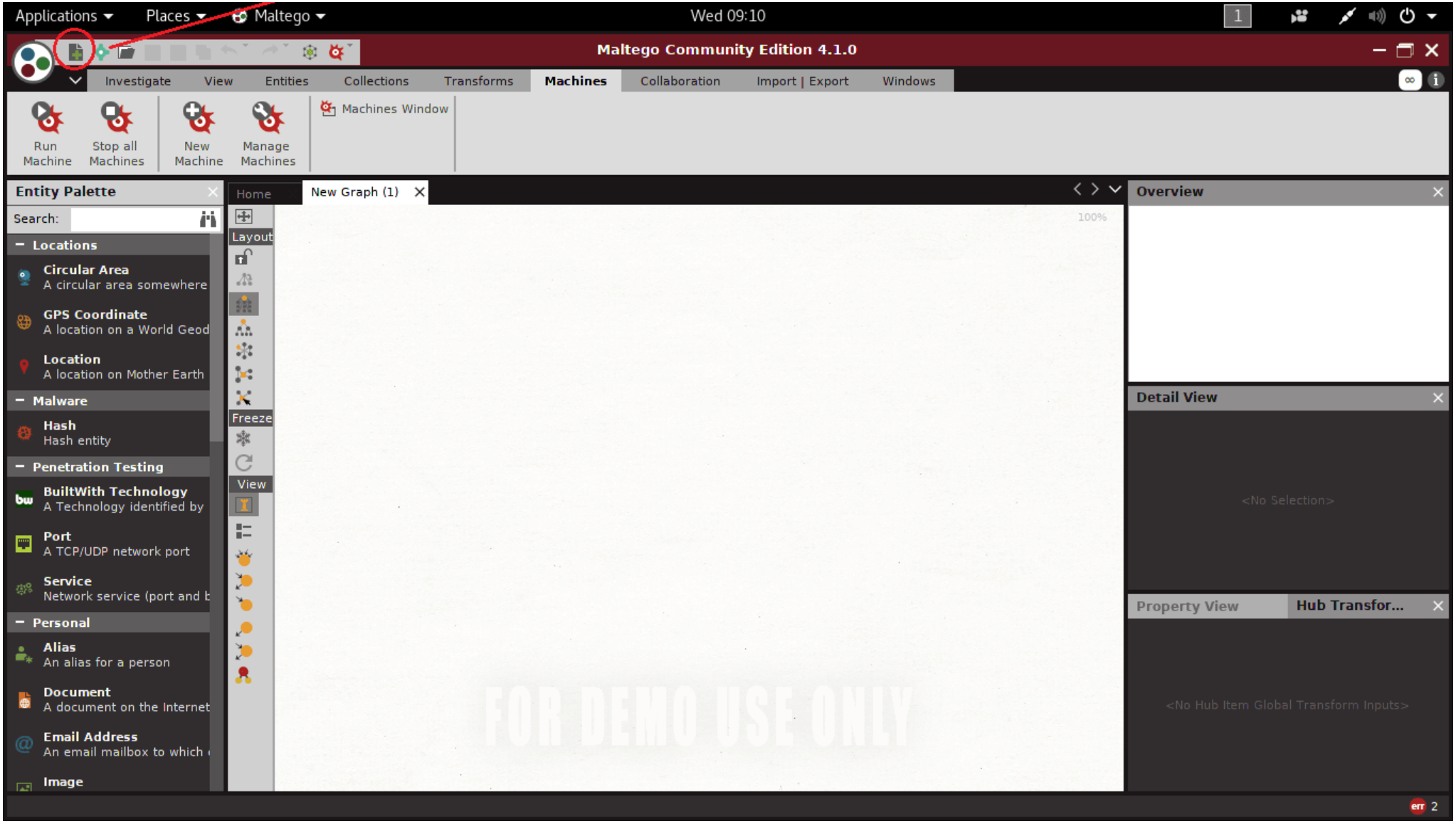

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At the left side, there is a section named **'Entity Pallete'** which offers many search options such as location, hash details of a Malware, information about ports of a system, information about Network Service, information of an Email Address etc. There are many options available that you can use for free.

To Know The Details Of a Person

If you want to know about a person click on the '**Person'** option and drag it to the center of the blank graph.

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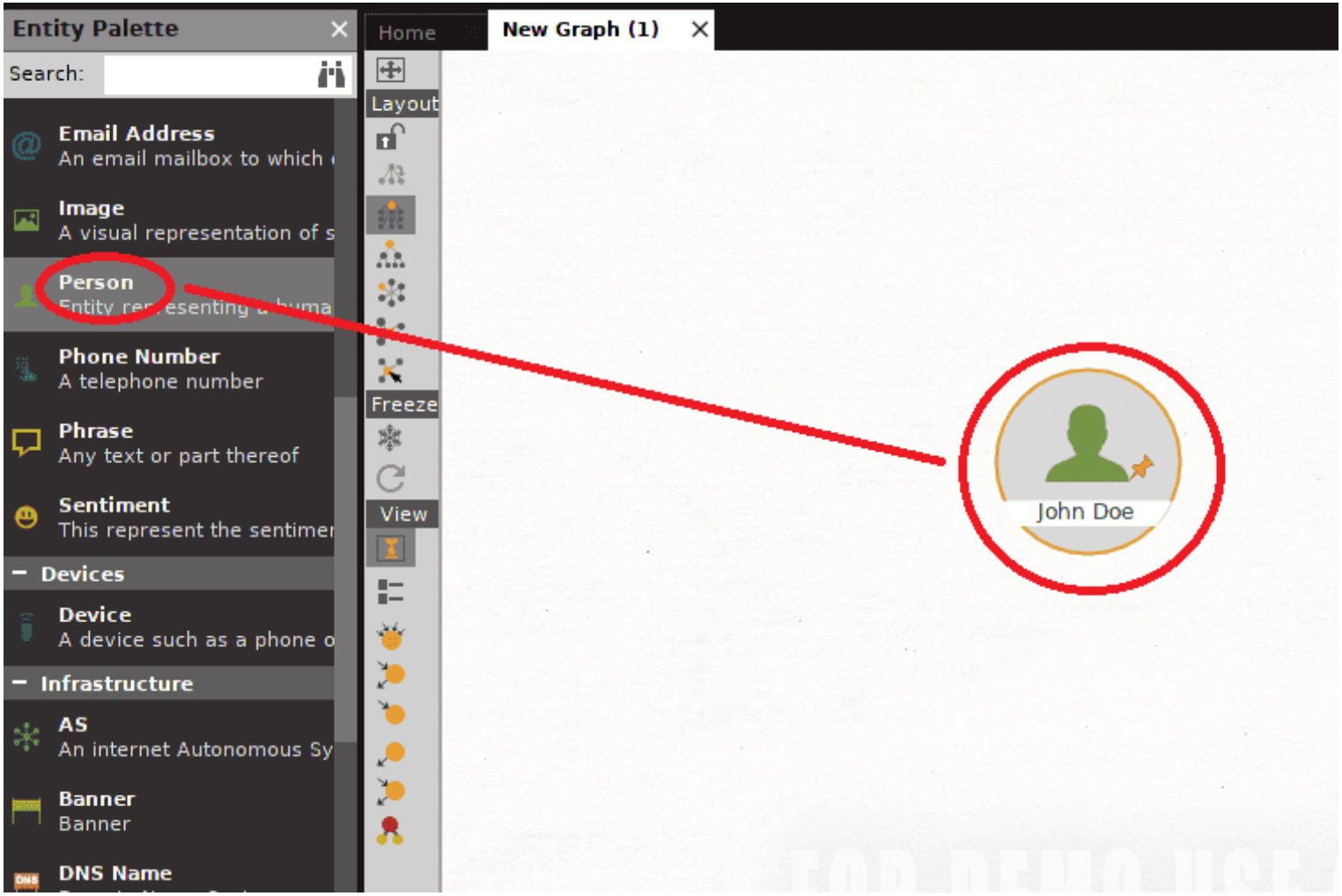

Now double click on the circle named as **John Doe** and change the details with the person you want to collect information and click on OK.

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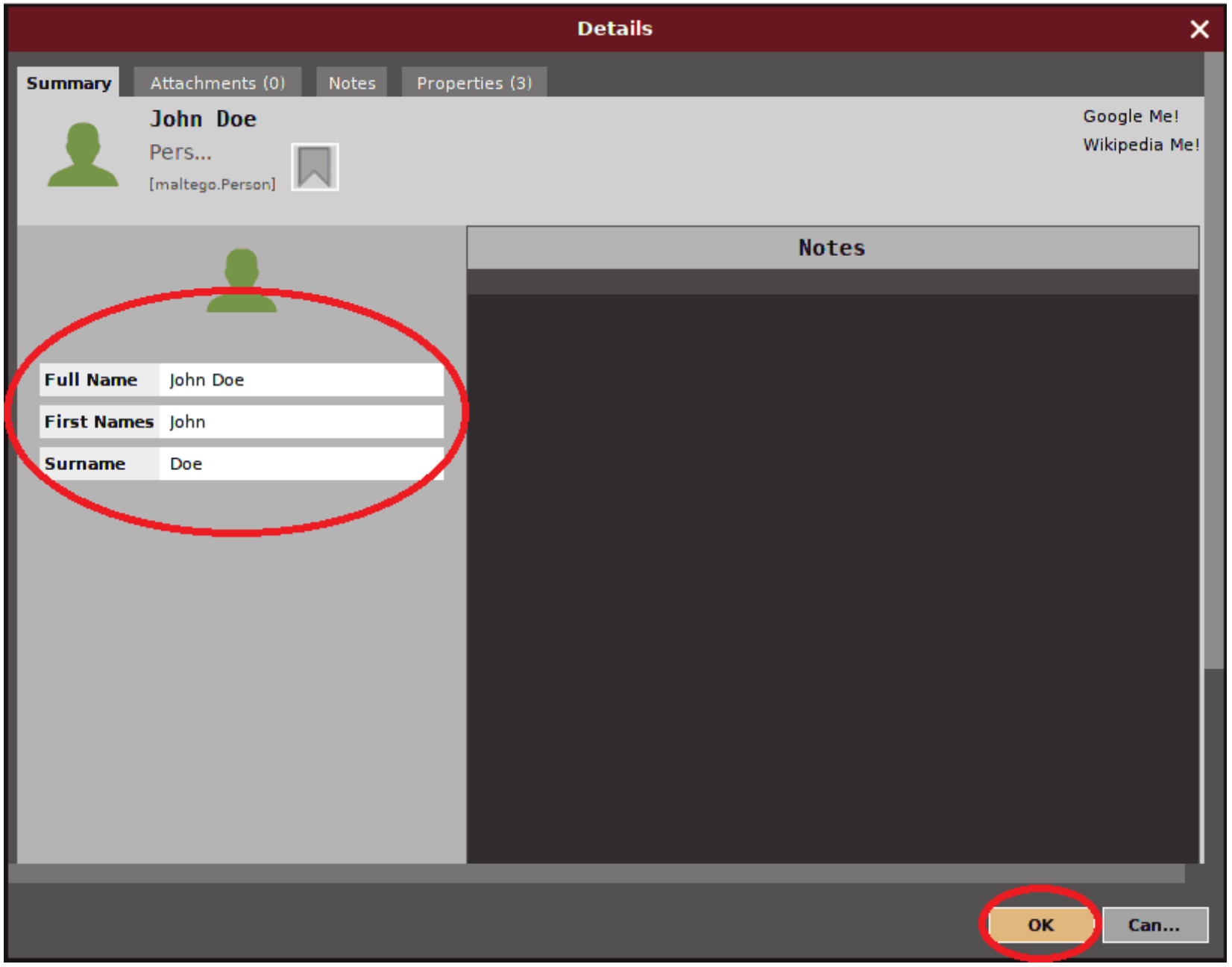

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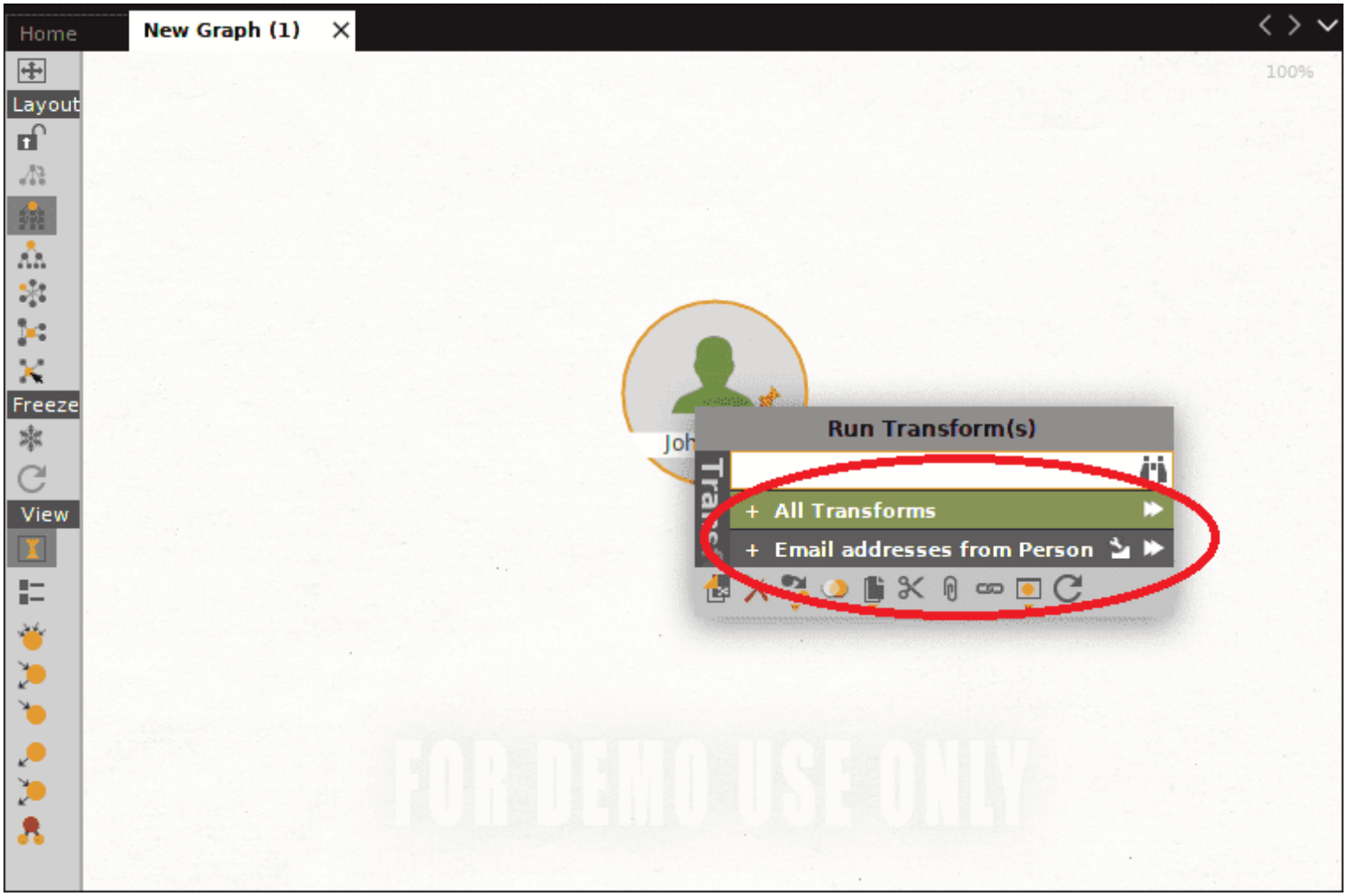
Now if you want to collect the information about the person, **right click** on the name and there will be shown many options such as Email addresses of the person, social account of the person etc. But if you want to collect all the information, select the '**All information**' option.



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N.B: If you want to know about the social account of the person, you must log in to your social accounts too.

To Know The Details Of an Email- Address

To run Maltego against an **Email- Address**, just look at the **Personal** section and click on **Email- Address** option and drag it to the center of the blank graph.

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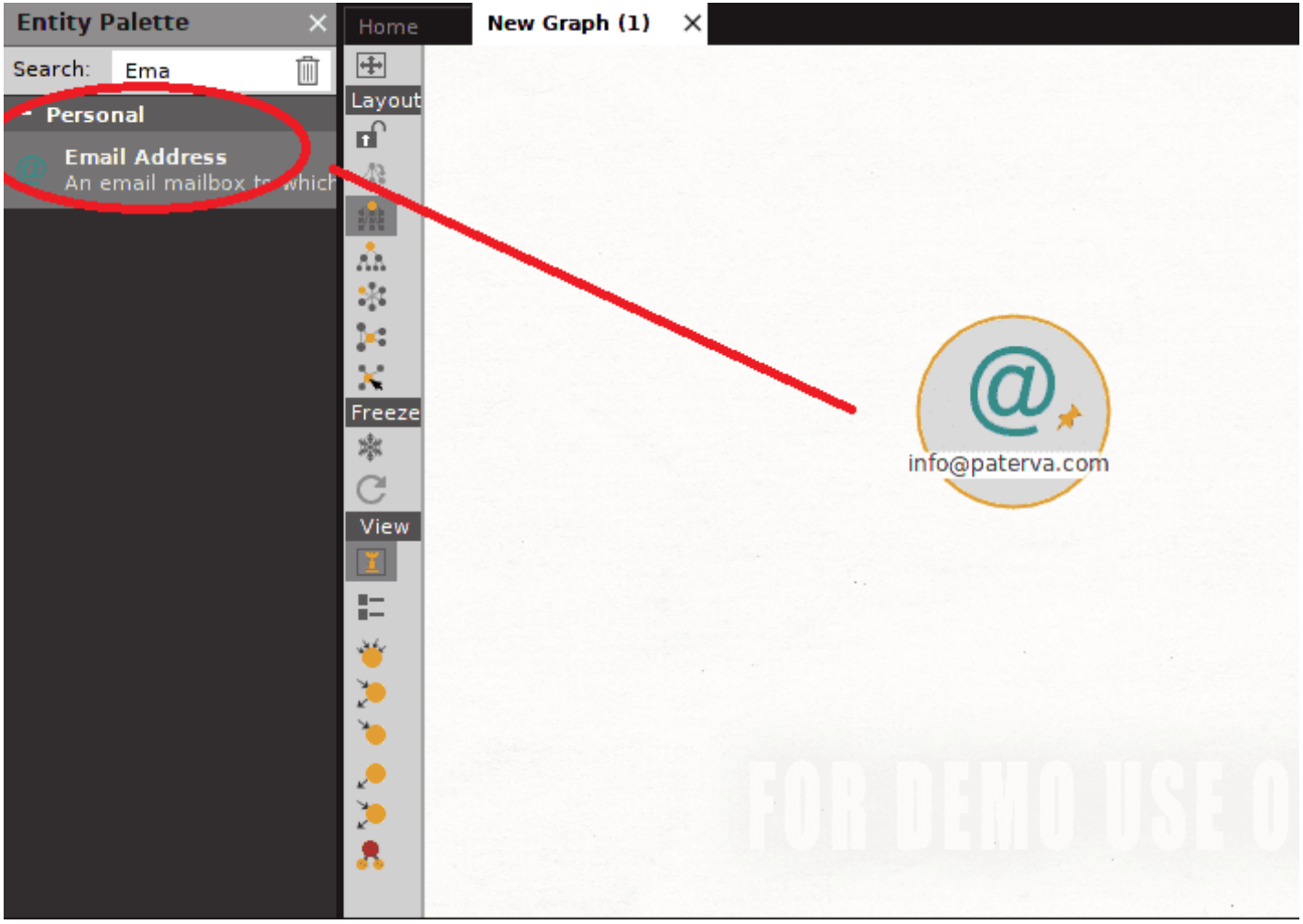

To change the Email- Address, double-click on the icon and change the Email with the target Email- Address and click on the OK button.

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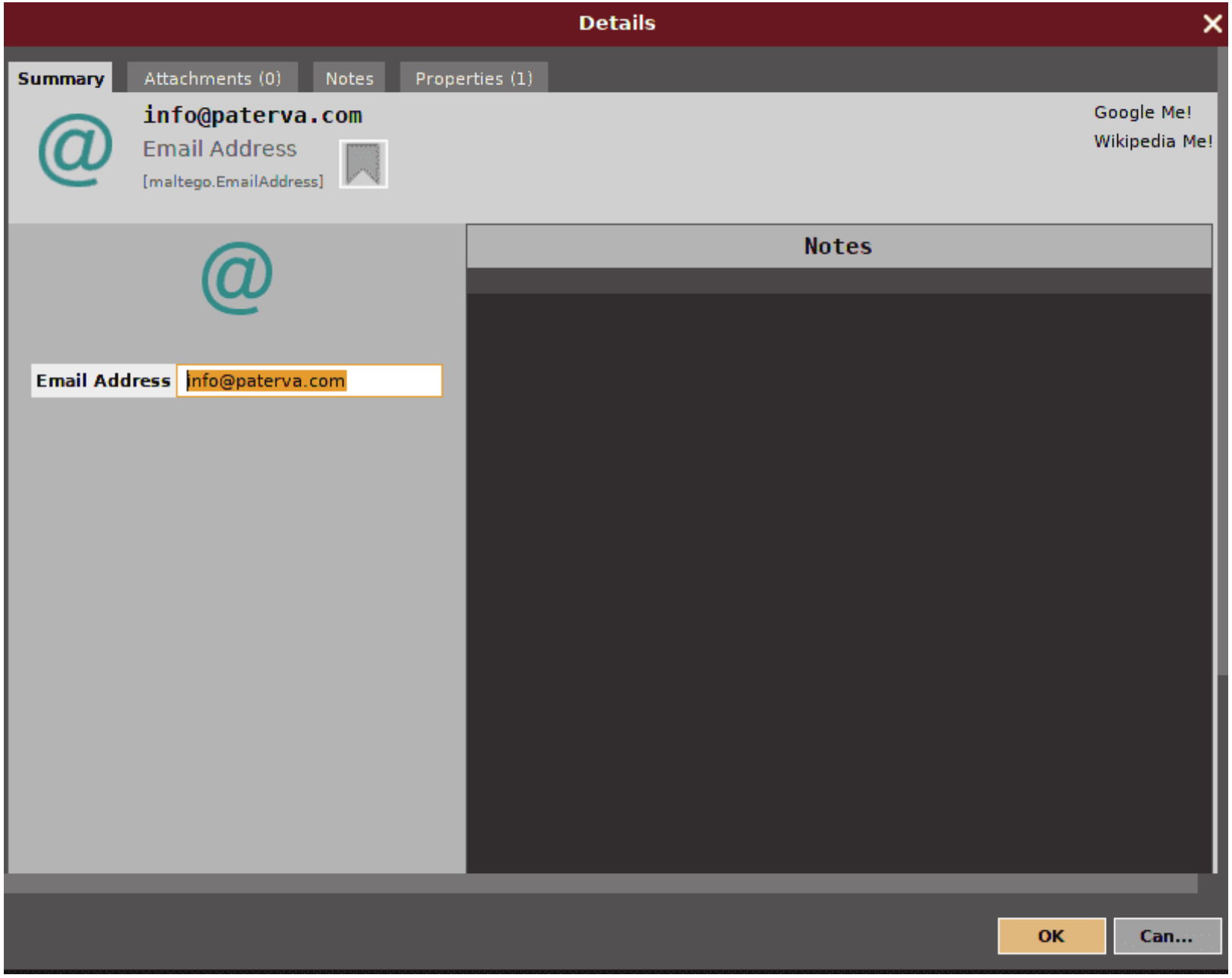

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Now **right click** on the icon and click on the **All transforms** or as your choice. It will start running the selection and take a few seconds to complete.

Here we took an example Email- Address and we got a graph as shown in the picture below. The graph showing the collected data and the link between them.

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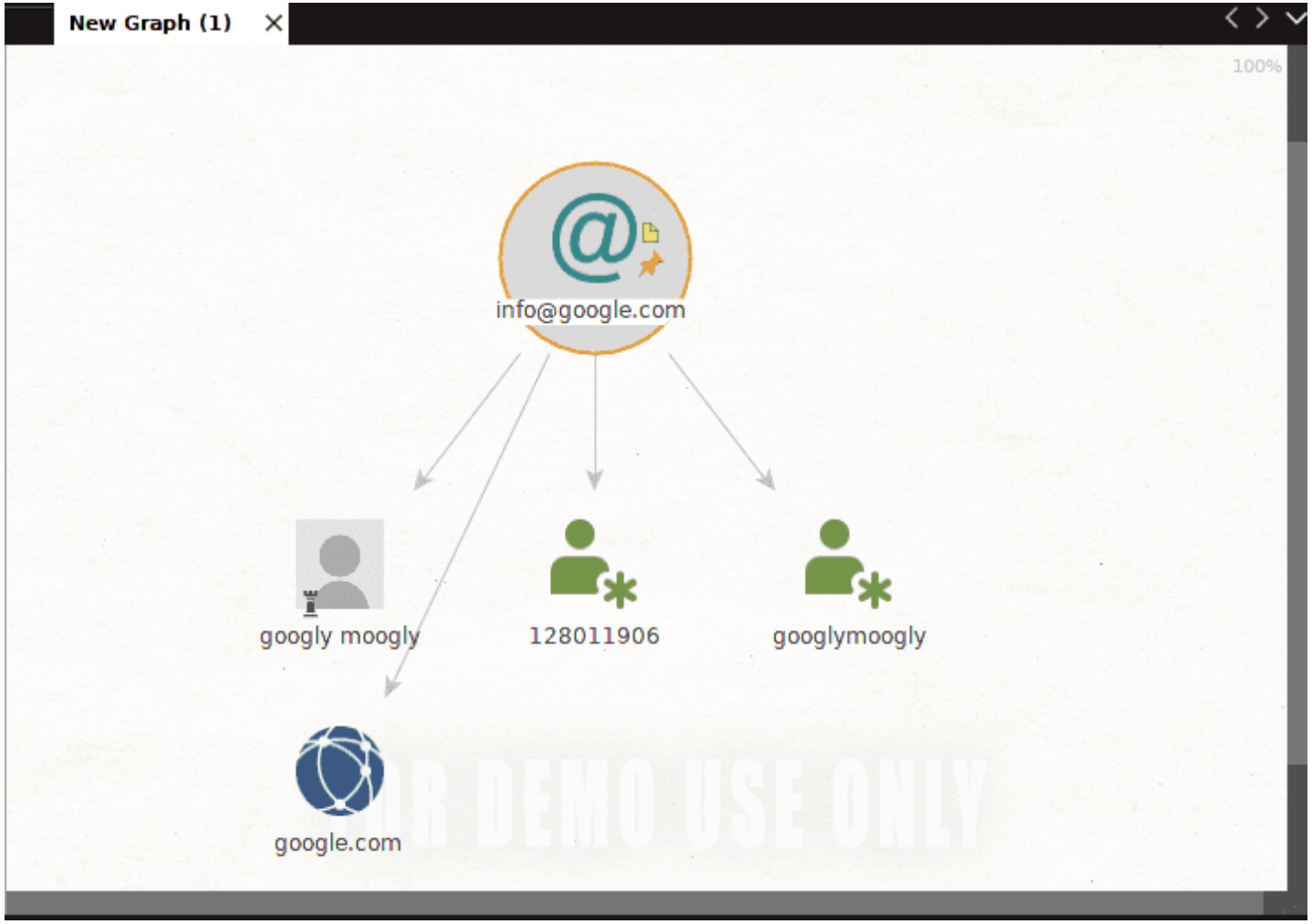

To Collect Information from a Website

So now we will again open a new graph to collect information from a website. Look at the **Entity Panel** and click and drag the **Website** option to the blank graph. We don't wanna put the pictures of these steps because these are easy steps and also now you might have an idea how to do these things.

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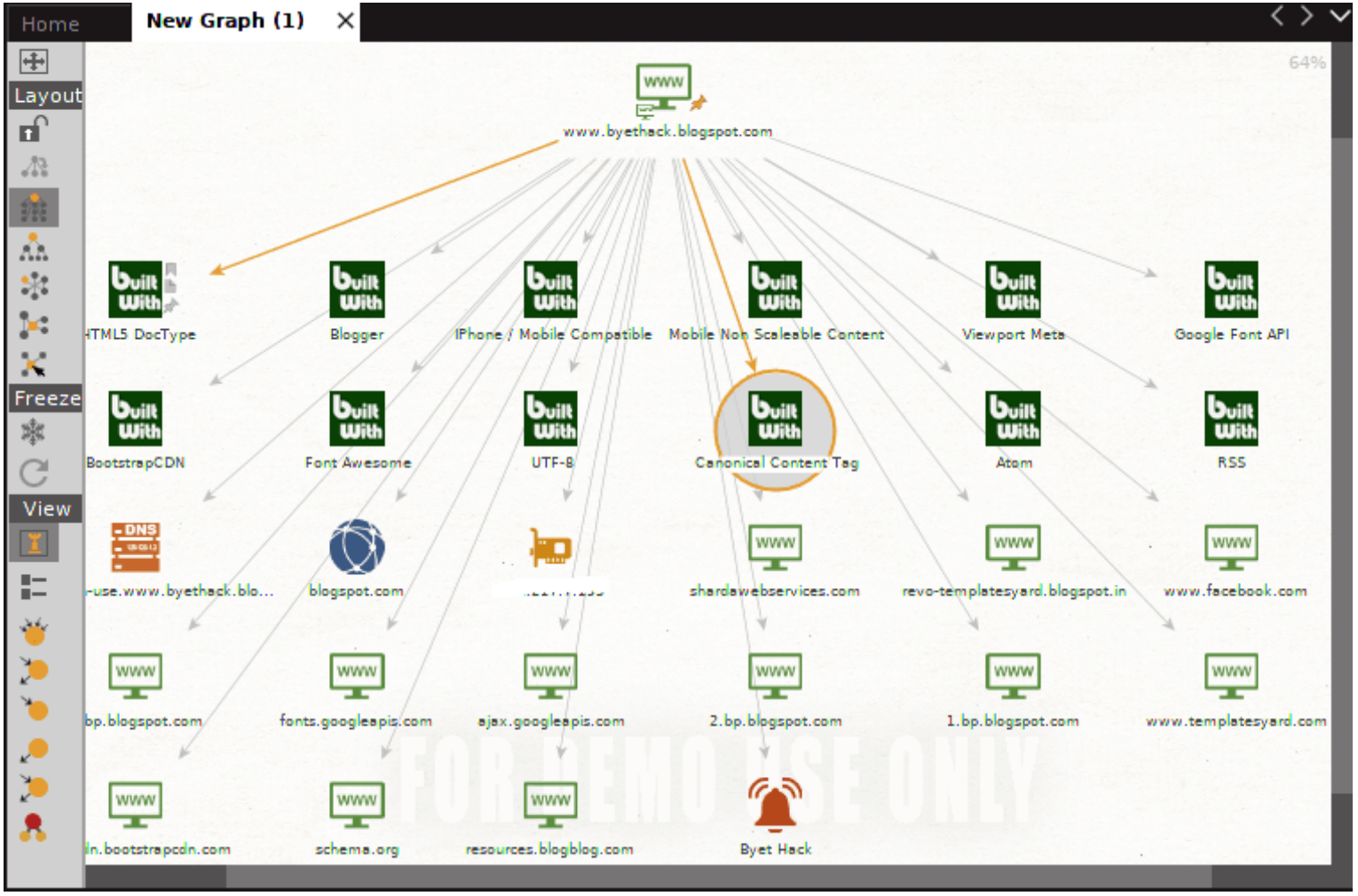
So, we took a demo website and ran **All transform** option and got a graph as in the picture shown below.



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These are really cool features of Maltego tool. You can use this tool to collect information about a person to do social engineering or you can collect information from a website to find its vulnerability to access it.

There are many features available for free. You can try them your own. These things are not so hard to do. We're not gonna explain all these things because you are not dumb.

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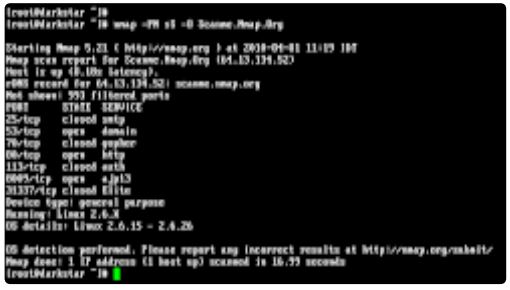

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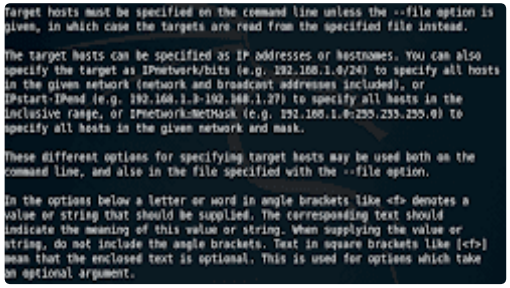

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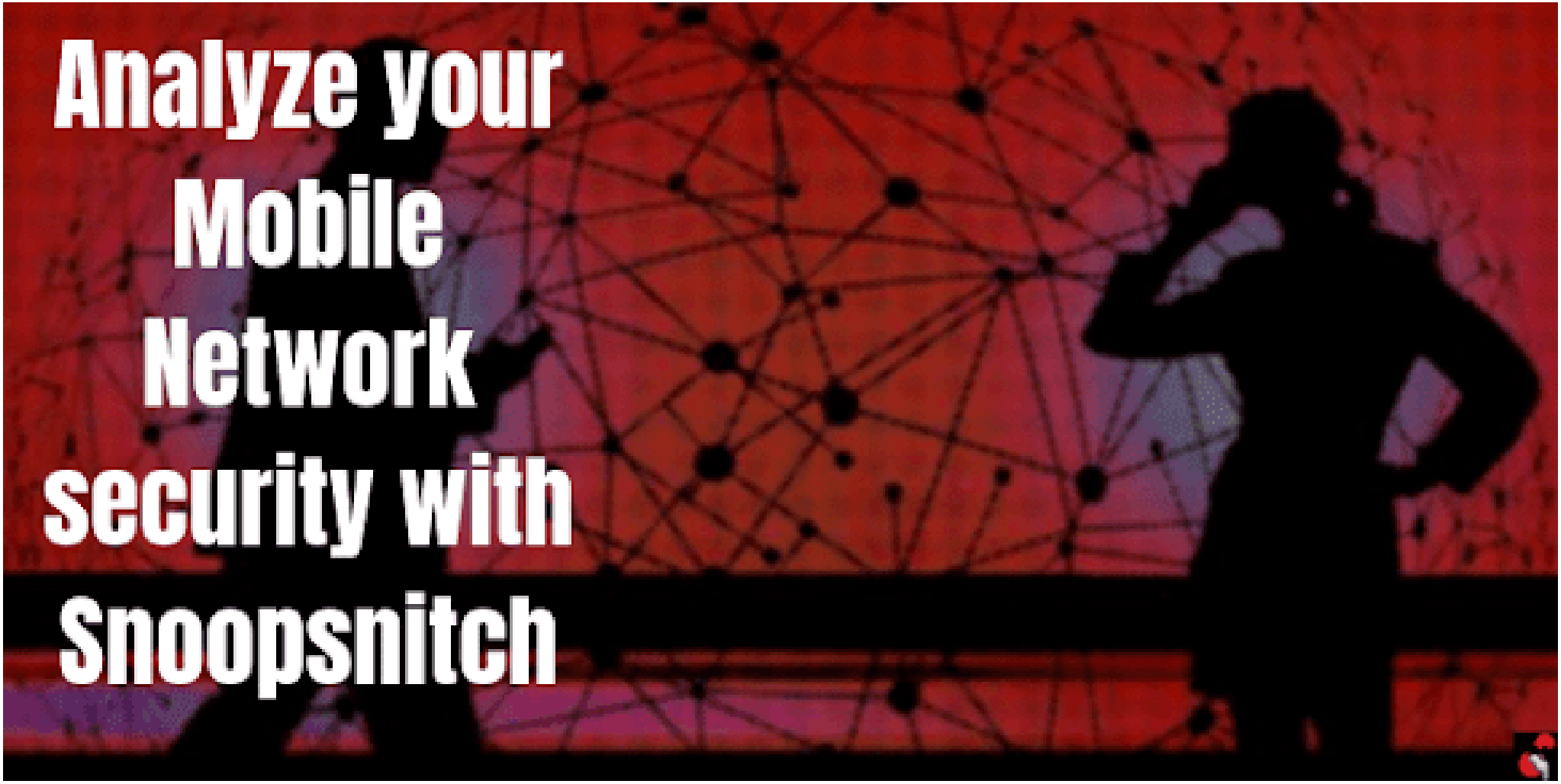

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