



Email Address vs User Activity

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Email Addresses



- The Email Address search allows you to search on:
 - Full Email Address
 - **Do not** search on/wildcard JUST the username, always include a specific domain
 - Foreign-hosted domains (e.g. @cnc.cn)
- The query searches within bodies of emails, webpages and documents for....(you guessed it)...Email Addresses
 - To, From, CC, BCC lines..
 - “Contact Us” pages on websites
 - Signature blocks



Email Address

- Email Addresses are found in many parts of traffic

DNI Display Raw Data DNI Format

Subject:	RE: Malaysia Tax
From:	[REDACTED]
To:	[REDACTED]
Cc:	[REDACTED]
Date:	Tue Jun 23 12:41:25 GMT 2009
Attachment:	01.jpg (12013 bytes)

XKEYSCORE has picked up traffic with email addresses in it..



Email Address

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Subject:	RE: Malaysia Tax	
From:		
To:		
Cc:		
Date:	Tue Jun 23 12:41:25 GMT 2009	
Attachments:	@image001.jpg (12013 bytes)	

X-KEYSCORE C2C Session Viewer

Session 9 of 18 | Read-ahead

Datetime	Case Notation	From IP	To IP	From Port	To Port	Protocol	Len
2009-06-23 12:41:28	PRPA075500000000	198. [REDACTED] (United States)	219. [REDACTED] (Malaysia)	39247	25	tcp	486

Session Header (3) Attachments (5) Meta (10)

[attribute_info.txt](#) [email_addresses.txt](#) [tech.html](#) [application_id.xml](#) [appproc.asdf](#) [xks_snippet.txt](#) [phone_number.html](#)

[fingerprints.xml](#) [user_activity.xml](#) [ip_lc_trie.txt](#)

Using TXT formatter [email_addresses.txt](#) FORMATTER AUTO

XKEYSCORE parses out everything it 'thinks' is an email address, so don't be fooled by mis-hits



Creating Email Address Queries

- Enter usernames and domains into query

Search: Email Addresses

Query Name: [REDACTED]

Justification: aqi in iran sample

Additional Justification:

Miranda Number:

Datetime: 1 Day ▾ Start: 2009-06-23 00:00 ▾ Stop: 2009-06-23 23:59 ▾

Email Username: badguy or baddude1 or badguysemail

@Domain: yahoo.com

Subject:

Mulitple usernames from SAME domain can be OR'd



Creating Email Address Queries

- BE VERY CAREFUL of OR'ing domains

Search: Email Addresses

Query Name: [REDACTED]

Justification: aqi in iran sample

Additional Justification:

Miranda Number:

Datetime: 1 Day Start: 2009-06-23 00:00 Stop: 2009

Email Username: badguy or baddude1 or badguysemail

@Domain: yahoo.com or hotmail.com

Subject:



When working with multiple domains, create separate Email Address queries for each. i.e. Group your queries by domain names.

Multiple domains means either badguy@yahoo.com or badguy@hotmail.com. Are both your targets?



Email Address

- Sample Search: baku@huawei.com

Search: Email Addresses

Query Name: [REDACTED]

Justification:
azerbaijani huawei bubba

Additional Justification:

Miranda Number:

Datetime: 1 Week ▾ Start: 2009-06-17 00:00 ▾ St

Email Username: baku

@Domain: huawei.com

Email Address



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DNI Display Raw Data DNI Format

HTTP Header Information

Content Type: HTTP/HTML

Services ▾

Fax: 0061-2-94118533

Vienna, Austria

Ezone Office Building, 4th Floor/ Top 7, Ernst-Melchior-Gasse 20, 1020 Vienna, Austria

Tel: 0043-1-2110000

Results here are from someone viewing a website that contained the email address

Building 647, Road 2811 Seef District 428 Kingdom of Bahrain Villa NO.1, Mohamedia Garden, Gate NO.36, Road

Tel: 00973-17568708

Fax: 00973-17568701

Baku, Azerbaijan

Caspian Plaza Centre ,block 610-611, J.Jabbarly St., Baku Azerbaijan, Az1065

Tel: 0099412-510-5644/5744/5844

Fax: 0099412-510-5944

E-mail: baku@huawei.com

Bahrain, Bahrain

Villa NO.1, Mohamedia Garden, Gate NO.36, Road

No.3431,Block No.334,Bahrain

Tel: 00974-3443296/00973-9580085

Dhaka, Bangladesh

R M Center(2nd Floor),101, gulshan Avenue Gulshan Model Korolya str.,51, floor-2, office-28, Minsk,Belarus

Tel: 00375 17 2048002

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User Activity Query

- User Activity query is based on APPROC collection (such as chat, webmail, etc)
- Allows more flexible search criteria than Email Address query
 - Can search on: Cookies, numeric logins (e.g. web forums & OSN), VoIP selectors, webcam first images, Webmail profile information from registration (birthdays), general usernames



Creating User Activity Queries

- The fields in a User Activity query can be confusing

Datetime: Custom Start: 2009-06-23 11:00 Stop: 20

Search For:

Search Value:

Realm:

Attribute Type:

Attribute Value:

Activity:

Source:

IP Address: From

Enter target
selectors/identifiers here:

- Phone No
- Cookie
- Username/EMAD (then
add REALM)
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Creating User Activity Queries

- The fields in a User Activity query can be confusing

Search For	Search Value	Attribute Type	Attribute Value
username	@yahoo	communicants	saifdes ziad197
username	@yahoo	contact_list	0920273966 999999 a_salty a_t_love_me as_c
username	@yahoo	direction	server-to-client
username	@yahoo	from	
username	@yahoo	previous_user	Notice partial email addresses in the "Search Value" field..
username	@yahoo	raw_metadata	
username	@yahoo	to	
username	@yahoo	user_realm	emailAddr
username	@yahoo	yahoo	
username		emailAddr	@yahoo
username	@yahoo	app_provider	YMSG

Creating User Activity Queries



■ Scenario:

You have a target's email address:

■ [REDACTED]@hotmail.com

- Known: One email address
- Unknown: Alternate ID's, IPs, Location, Photo, etc... (lots of stuff)

Where do we begin?



I want to....

- I have an Email Address and want to see if it's being collected?
 - Do an **Email Address** query on username and domain

Email Username:	baku
@Domain:	huawei.com

- Do a **User Activity** query on the email address in the “Selector Value”

Search Value:	baku@huawei*
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I want to....



- I have a Cookie and want to see what other accounts access this computer
 - Do TWO separate **User Activity** query on the cookies

- 1. Attribute Value:

Search For	Search Value	Attribute Type	Attribute Value
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	yahooBcookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	B_cookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	B_cookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	yahooBcookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	yahooBcookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	B_cookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	B_cookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	B_cookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	yahooBcookie	dg8q0od4u0li4
username	[REDACTED]@yahoo	yahooBcookie	dg8q0od4u0li4

Brings back THESE results...

Notice redundancy.. So you MAY miss traffic if you select "B_cookie" or "yahooBcookie" (don't know why)



I want to....

- I have a Cookie and want to see what other accounts access this computer
 - Do TWO separate **User Activity** query on the cookies

2.

Search Value: dg8q0od4u0li4



Brings back THESE results...

Search For	Search Value	Attribute Type	Attribute Value
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo

Notice redundancy.. So you MAY miss traffic if you select "B_cookie" or "yahooBcookie" (don't know why)

I want to....



- I have a Cookie and want to see what other accounts access this computer
 - Do a Marina query on the cookie as well (why not)?

Specify Date Range

for User Activity by...

that...

the value(s)...

if it is reached, return... ? (100,000 raw metadata result limit)

where value is... active user ? in user_a or user_b column ?

filter by...

*Enrichment Options: All None Selected

Query Justification (optional):



I want to....

- I have a Cookie and want to see what other accounts access this computer
 - Do a Marina query on the cookie as well (why not)?

USER_A	ACTIVITY	USER_B	COOKIE
[REDACTED]	<yahoo> seen with machine ID	[REDACTED] dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>	[REDACTED] dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>
[REDACTED]	<yahoo> seen with machine ID	[REDACTED] dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>	[REDACTED] dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>
[REDACTED]	<yahoo> seen with machine ID	[REDACTED] dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>	[REDACTED] dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>



I want to....

- So let's put the cookie query all together...
 - Between Marina and XKS, I should have an idea of all the accounts..
 - Results pulling on dg8q0od4u0li4 as a Search Value

Search For	Search Value	Attribute Type	Attribute Value
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	yahoo	[REDACTED]@yahoo
username	dg8q0od4u0li4	raw metadata	<commEventSummary> <appPrc

- Plus my Marina results

USER_A	ACTIVITY	USER_B	COOKIE
[REDACTED]	<yahoo> seen with machine ID dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>	[REDACTED]	dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>
[REDACTED]	<yahoo> seen with machine ID dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>	[REDACTED]	dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>
[REDACTED]	<yahoo> seen with machine ID dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>	[REDACTED]	dg8q0od4u0li4<yahooBcookie>

RESULTS: Three users on the a computer..

I want to....



- I have an IP address and want to know what users/accounts are collected in that network? (I.E. a Café's IP address, or mail/web server for an organization)

- Do an **Email Address** query on the IP address

Email Username:	<input type="text"/>
@Domain:	<input type="text"/>
Subject:	<input type="text"/>
IP Address:	<input type="text"/> From <input type="button" value="▼"/>

- Do a **User Activity** query on the IP address

Search For:	<input type="text"/>
Search Value:	<input type="text"/>
Realm:	<input type="text"/>
Attribute Type:	<input type="text"/>
Attribute Value:	<input type="text"/>
Activity:	<input type="text"/>
Source:	<input type="text"/>
IP Address:	<input type="text"/>



Moral of the story

- Email Address query looks for the @ symbol in traffic
- User Activity search allows you to query on more than just an email address