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## PRACTICAL ACTIVITY - SCANNING EXERCISE

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# [CUSTOMERSRUS.CO.UK] TRACERT / TRACEROUTE

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Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.22000.318]
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C:\Users\jj_ca>tracert customersrus.co.uk

Tracing route to customersrus.co.uk [68.66.247.187]
over a maximum of 30 hops:

  1    4 ms    3 ms    3 ms  10.5.0.1
  2    4 ms    4 ms    4 ms  185.225.234.254
  3    4 ms    4 ms    4 ms  63.217.254.209
  4    5 ms    4 ms    6 ms  be3492.rcr51.hkg01.atlas.cogentco.com [154.54.140.65]
  5    5 ms    5 ms    5 ms  be2414.ccr21.hkg02.atlas.cogentco.com [154.54.88.49]
  6  186 ms  186 ms  186 ms  be2900.ccr32.mrs02.atlas.cogentco.com [154.54.6.25]
  7  227 ms  201 ms  196 ms  be2780.ccr42.par01.atlas.cogentco.com [154.54.72.225]
  8  205 ms  208 ms  211 ms  be12266.ccr42.ams03.atlas.cogentco.com [154.54.56.173]
  9  205 ms  206 ms  205 ms  be2283.rcr21.b038092-0.ams03.atlas.cogentco.com [130.117.51.14]
 10  205 ms  205 ms  205 ms  euroaccess-ltd.demarc.cogentco.com [149.6.128.82]
 11  204 ms  206 ms  206 ms  v402.R2.NL1.a2webhosting.com [209.124.94.239]
 12  203 ms  208 ms  204 ms  68.66.247.187.static.a2webhosting.com [68.66.247.187]

Trace complete.
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C:\Users\A511221>tracert customersrus.co.uk

Tracing route to customersrus.co.uk [68.66.247.187]
over a maximum of 30 hops:

  1    5 ms    2 ms    1 ms  my.jetpack [192.168.1.1]
  2    *        *        *    Request timed out.
  3  268 ms   79 ms   115 ms  192.168.21.13
  4    *        *        *    Request timed out.
  5   76 ms   62 ms   60 ms  192.168.30.4
  6   98 ms   56 ms   62 ms  82.114.167.61
  7  154 ms   79 ms   69 ms  82.114.160.6
  8    *    168 ms   201 ms  82.114.164.18
  9  201 ms    *    171 ms  mei-b5-link.ip.twelve99.net [62.115.148.118]
 10    *        *    268 ms  prs-bb1-link.ip.twelve99.net [62.115.124.54]
 11  316 ms  201 ms   713 ms  adm-bb3-link.ip.twelve99.net [62.115.134.96]
 12  156 ms  147 ms   145 ms  adm-b10-link.ip.twelve99.net [62.115.120.227]
 13  260 ms  403 ms   407 ms  a2hosting-svc080530-ic370345.ip.twelve99-cust.net [62.115.145.217]
 14  776 ms  302 ms   306 ms  209.124.94.237.static.a2webhosting.com [209.124.94.237]
 15  243 ms  302 ms   199 ms  68.66.247.187.static.a2webhosting.com [68.66.247.187]
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Findings in tracert:

After the local ISP, other country hop in atlas.cogentco.com domain (ISP: Cogentco) caused the biggest delay, the average duration is 121.41ms.

# [CUSTOMERSRUS.CO.UK] NAMESERVERS AND REGISTERED CONTACT

- A2 Hosting web hosting nameservers (nslookup / dig)

**Name servers:**  
**ns1.a2hosting.com**  
**ns2.a2hosting.com**  
**ns3.a2hosting.com**  
**ns4.a2hosting.com**

- MX record (nslookup / dig)

**customersrus.co.uk. 5 IN MX 0 mail.customersrus.co.uk.**

Based the IP ping result, showed that the mail server hosting in A2 Hosting

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Ping mail.customersrus.co.uk [68.66.247.187]
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- Registered contact (whois)

## Registrar:

eNom LLC [Tag = ENOM]

URL: <http://www.enom.com>

Results returned from whois.arin.net:

OrgName: A2 Hosting, Inc.

OrgId: A2HOS

Address: P.O. Box 2998

City: Ann Arbor

StateProv: MI

PostalCode: 48106

Country: US

RegDate: 2004-03-16

Updated: 2021-10-13

Comment: <http://www.a2hosting.com>

Ref: <https://rdap.arin.net/registry/entity/A2HOS>

# [CUSTOMERSRUS.CO.UK] WEBSITE HOSTED

- A2 Hosting, Inc.
  - United States of America (Ann Arbor)
  - Netherlands (Amsterdam)
- Ref: <https://www.iplocation.net/ip-lookup>

Geolocation data from [IP2Location](#) (Product: DB6, updated on 2021-11-1)

IP Address	Country	Region	City
68.66.247.187	United States of America 	Michigan	Ann Arbor
ISP	Organization	Latitude	Longitude
A2 Hosting Inc.	Not Available	42.2288	-83.7359

Geolocation data from [ipinfo.io](#) (Product: API, real-time)

IP Address	Country	Region	City
68.66.247.187	Netherlands 	North Holland	Amsterdam
ISP	Organization	Latitude	Longitude
<a href="#">A2 Hosting, Inc.</a>	<a href="#">A2 Hosting, Inc.</a> <a href="#">(a2hosting.com)</a>	52.3740	4.8897

## DISCUSS THE RESULTS

- **Did you have any issues or challenges with the scans?**
  1. There were discrepancies between results produced from the traceroute, such as number of hops and delay on the route.
  2. Two IP location found (United States – Netherlands/Amsterdam)
  3. Limited information on the domain registration and the registered contact

# DISCUSS THE RESULTS

- **How did you overcome them?**

Using online tools such as ICANN LOOKUP <https://lookup.icann.org/lookup> (to find registered contact) and WHOIS <https://who.is/whois/customersrus.co.uk> (to find registrar and Name servers) and <https://www.findip-address.com/> (to find Hosting name and location)

- **How will they affect your final report?**

Depending on one scan tool would be not enough to get the complete information about the target, using few scan tools which will be needed to conduct a proper website vulnerability assessment.

# TEAM ACTIVITY

- **A2 Hosting, Inc. provided solutions to prevent attack and abuse:**
  - Google reCAPTCHA - bot detection
    - Affect: Testing the website with lower level
  - Temporarily banned IP addresses
    - Affect: Unable to send too much request and require to change IP address if blocked
  - SSL
    - Affect: Packet or traffic capture may not able to get information
- References:
  - <https://www.a2hosting.com/kb/security/temporarily-banned-ip-addresses>
  - <https://www.a2hosting.com/kb/security>



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