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Aim: To Study of any Two network reconnaissance tools.

1) nslookup

The nslookup command queries DNS servers to resolve domain names to IP addresses and vice versa.

Parameters:

- server: Specify a DNS server.
- type: Set query type (A, MX, NS, etc.).
- debug: Enable detailed debugging.
- timeout: Adjust query timeout.
- port: Change the DNS port.

Example: nslookup -type=MX example.com

```
Abdurrahman Qureshi@DESKTOP-H2RV5MQ MINGW64 /c/Windows/system32
$ nslookup abdurrahman-qureshi.vercel.app
Server: UnKnown
Address: 192.168.143.180

Non-authoritative answer:
Name: abdurrahman-qureshi.vercel.app
Addresses: 64:ff9b::401d:1143
64:ff9b::d8c6:4f43
216.198.79.67
64.29.17.67
```

2) tracert

Traces the network path to a host, showing hops and latency.

Parameters:

- -d: Skip DNS resolution (faster).
- -h max_hops: Set max hops (default: 30).
- -w timeout: Adjust timeout per hop.

Example: tracert google.com.

```
Abdurrahman Qureshi@DESKTOP-H2RV5MQ MINGW64 /c/Windows/system32
$ tracert print-hub-five.vercel.app
Tracing route to print-hub-five.vercel.app [64:ff9b::401d:1103]
over a maximum of 30 hops:
 1
      43 ms
              100 ms
                         3 ms
                               2402:3a80:429a:d7b::3e
 2
                         *
                               Request timed out.
       *
                *
 3
      83 ms
               59 ms
                        59 ms 64:ff9b::c0a8:add3
 4
     169 ms
                               64:ff9b::c0a8:cb01
              119 ms
                       503 ms
 5
      85 ms
              114 ms
                       57 ms
                               64:ff9b::c0a8:cb02
                       119 ms 64:ff9b::2a68:5e9e
 6
      56 ms
              61 ms
 7
      90 ms
              213 ms 120 ms
                               64:ff9b::7b3f:9e57
                               64:ff9b::7b3f:9e5c
     170 ms
              204 ms
                       88 ms
 9
                       287 ms 64:ff9b::6353:5a1d
      69 ms
               83 ms
10
                               Request timed out.
       *
                         *
11
                               Request timed out.
       *
                         *
12
                               Request timed out.
       *
                *
                         *
13
```

3) whois

The whois command retrieves domain or IP registration details (owner, expiry, registrar).

Parameters:

- -h: Specify WHOIS server.
- -a: Show all fields.
- domain/IP: Query target (e.g., whois example.com).

```
Q:~$ whois google.com
   Domain Name: GOOGLE.COM
   Registry Domain ID: 2138514_DOMAIN_COM-VRSN
  Registrar WHOIS Server: whois markmonitor.com
Registrar URL: http://www.markmonitor.com
Updated Date: 2019-09-09T15:39:04Z
Creation Date: 1997-09-15T04:00:00Z
   Registry Expiry Date: 2028-09-14T04:00:00Z
   Registrar: MarkMonitor Inc.
   Registrar IANA ID: 292
   Registrar Abuse Contact Email: abusecomplaints@markmonitor.com
   Registrar Abuse Contact Phone: +1.2086851750
   Domain Status: clientDeleteProhibited https://icann.org/epp#clientDeleteProhibited
   Domain Status: clientTransferProhibited https://icann.org/epp#clientTransferProhibited Domain Status: clientUpdateProhibited https://icann.org/epp#clientUpdateProhibited Domain Status: serverDeleteProhibited https://icann.org/epp#serverDeleteProhibited
   Domain Status: serverTransferProhibited https://icann.org/epp#serverTransferProhibited
   Domain Status: serverUpdateProhibited https://icann.org/epp#serverUpdateProhibited
   Name Server: NS1.GOOGLE.COM
   Name Server: NS2.GOOGLE.COM
Name Server: NS3.GOOGLE.COM
   Name Server: NS4.GOOGLE.COM
   URL of the ICANN Whois Inaccuracy Complaint Form: https://www.icann.org/wicf/......]
>>> Last update of whois database: 2025-07-21T07:09:18Z <<<
```

4) dig (Domain Information Groper)

dig queries DNS records (A, MX, NS) with detailed output.

Parameters:

- @server: Use a specific DNS server.
- +short: Concise output.
- -t TYPE: Query type (A, MX, TXT).

Example: dig example.com MX.

```
TOP-H2RV5MQ:~$ dig nigga.com txt
; <<>> DiG 9.18.30-0ubuntu0.24.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> nigga.com txt
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 44338
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 0, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 1232
;; QUESTION SECTION:
                                      IN
                                               TXT
;nigga.com.
;; AUTHORITY SECTION: nigga.com.
                                                         ns1.dyna-ns.net. hostmaster.nigga.com. 2025050701 16384 2048 1209600 300
;; Query time: 392 msec
   SERVER: 192.168.143.180#53(192.168.143.180) (UDP)
   WHEN: Mon Jul 21 07:15:11 UTC 2025
   MSG SIZE rcvd: 100
```

```
qarq90@DESKTOP-H2RV5MQ:~$ dig nigga.com
; <<>> DiG 9.18.30-Oubuntu0.24.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> nigga.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 12802</p>
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 1232
;; QUESTION SECTION:
                                ΙN
                                        Α
;nigga.com.
;; ANSWER SECTION:
                                IN
nigga.com.
                        300
                                        Α
                                                188.214.128.77
;; Query time: 555 msec
;; SERVER: 192.168.143.180#53(192.168.143.180) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Mon Jul 21 07:14:12 UTC 2025
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 54
```

```
qarq90@DESKTOP-H2RV5MQ:~$ dig nigga.com A
; <<>> DiG 9.18.30-0ubuntu0.24.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> nigga.com A
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 49395
;; flags: qr rd ra ad; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 0
;; QUESTION SECTION:
                                IN
;nigga.com.
                                        Α
;; ANSWER SECTION:
nigga.com.
                        283
                                ΙN
                                        Α
                                                188.214.128.77
;; Query time: 7 msec
;; SERVER: 192.168.143.180#53(192.168.143.180) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Mon Jul 21 07:14:29 UTC 2025
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 43
```

```
qarq90@DESKTOP-H2RV5MQ:~$ dig nigga.com AAAA
; <<>> DiG 9.18.30-0ubuntu0.24.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> nigga.com AAAA
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 14157</p>
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 1232
;; QUESTION SECTION:
                                ΙN
                                        AAAA
;nigga.com.
;; ANSWER SECTION:
nigga.com.
                        300
                                ΙN
                                        AAAA
                                                 64:ff9b::bcd6:804d
;; Query time: 585 msec
;; SERVER: 192.168.143.180#53(192.168.143.180) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Mon Jul 21 07:14:34 UTC 2025
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 66
```

```
qarq90@DESKTOP-H2RV5MQ:~$ dig nigga.com ns
; <<>> DiG 9.18.30-OubuntuO.24.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> nigga.com ns
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 41044
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 2, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 1232
;; QUESTION SECTION:
                                ΙN
                                        NS
;nigga.com.
;; ANSWER SECTION:
                        300
                                ΙN
                                        NS
                                                ns2.dyna-ns.net.
nigga.com.
                        300
                                IN
                                        NS
                                                ns1.dyna-ns.net.
nigga.com.
;; Query time: 702 msec
;; SERVER: 192.168.143.180#53(192.168.143.180) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Mon Jul 21 07:15:23 UTC 2025
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 85
```