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Abstract:

This paper act as a guide for penetration testers and security folks who want to use Shodan and helps them to understand how it can be used it for security auditing purposes. This paper also outlines the procedure and explains the methods to find various vulnerable services and devices located on the internet. It helps to explain the basic filters that could be used by Shodan and its integration with other tools .It can be mainly used for reconnaissance phase of penetration testing.

Introduction:

Shodan is basically a search engine which helps to find (routers, switches, Scada etc.) mainly vulnerable systems on the internet .It is widely known as Google for hackers. It was launched in 2009 by computer programmer John Matherly. It is mainly a search engine of service banners in which metadata (data about data) is sent from the server to client. Shodan currently probes for 50+ ports.

What devices can Shodan really find:

- 1) Servers
- 2) Routers
- 3) Switches
- 4) Printers on public ip
- 5) Webcams
- 6) Gas station pumps
- 7) Voip phones And all Scada devices

Working of Shodan:

- 1) User searches for a particular item.
- 2) Shodan probes for ports and captures the resulting banners.
- 3) Now, Shodan indexes the captured banners.
- 4) After indexing,it displays the results.

Difference between Shodan and google:

In Google, the google crawler/spider crawls for data on the web pages and then creates an index of web content and then displays the results according to the page rank which in turn depends on a number of factors. Shodan mainly looks for ports and then grabs the resulting banners and indexes them. And finally, it displays the results. It does not index web content (the key point) like google and thus it is a search engine of banners.

Figure 1. Shodan search working

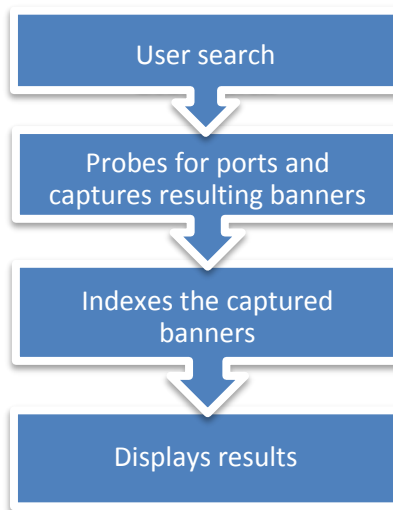
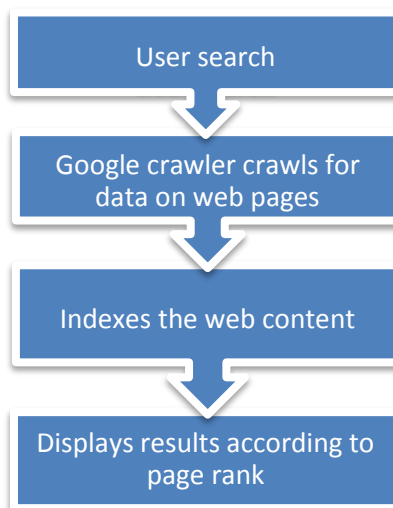


Figure 2. Google search working



Basic filters:

City: The ‘city’ filter is used to find devices that are located in that particular city.

Eg: **iis city:New York**

Country: The ‘country’ filter is used devices running in that particular country.

Eg: **iis country: United States**

Port: The ‘port’ filter narrows the search by searching for specified ports.

Eg. **https port:443**

Os: The ‘os’ filter is used to find specific operating systems.

Eg: **microsoft-iis os:"windows 2003"**

Geo: The ‘geo’ filter according to certain longitudes and latitudes that are within a given radius. Only 2 3 parameters are allowed and 3 parameter by default is the radius which is 5 km.

Eg: **apache geo:42.9693,-74.1224**

Net: The ‘net’ filter is used to find devices according to certain ip address and subnet mask

Eg: **iis net:216.0.0.0/16**

Hostname: The ‘hostname’ filter always searches host containing a particular hostname.

Eg: **Akamai hostname:.com**

After and Before: The ‘after’ and ‘before’ filter helps you to devices after and before a particular date. The format allowed is

dd/mm/yyyy dd-mm-yy

Eg: **apache before:1/01/2014**

nginx after:1/01/2014

Note: Most of the filters will work when you are logged in.

Shodan’s integration with other tools:

1) Integration with **Maltego**

Requirements: Download **Maltego** from

<http://www.paterva.com/web6/products/download.php>

and Shodan maltego entities from <https://static.Shodan.io/downloads/Shodan-maltego-entities.mtz>

Usage:

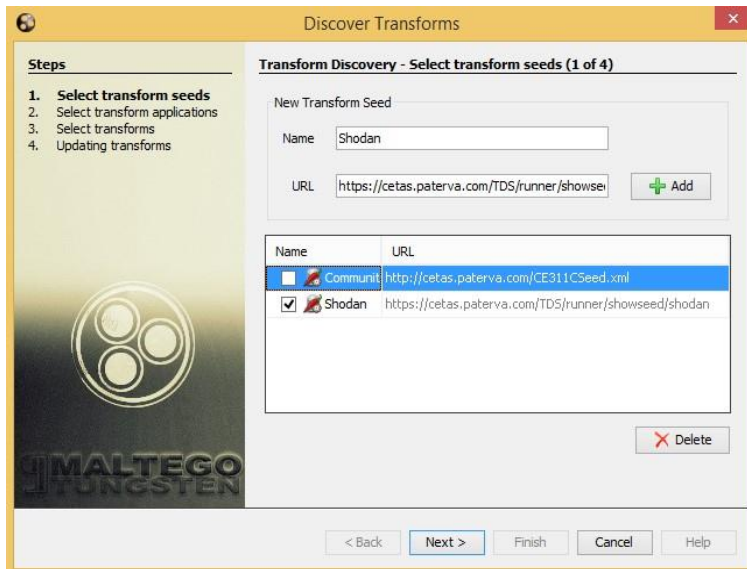
i) After installing maltego,select 'Manage Entities' in the 'Manage tab' and select 'import'.

ii) Select 'transforms' and then 'advanced'



iii) Now we have do add the Shodan seed by putting

<https://cetas.paterva.com/TDS/runner/showseed/Shodan>



iv) Finally we get a screen ,the transforms and entities have been successfully installed.

It includes:

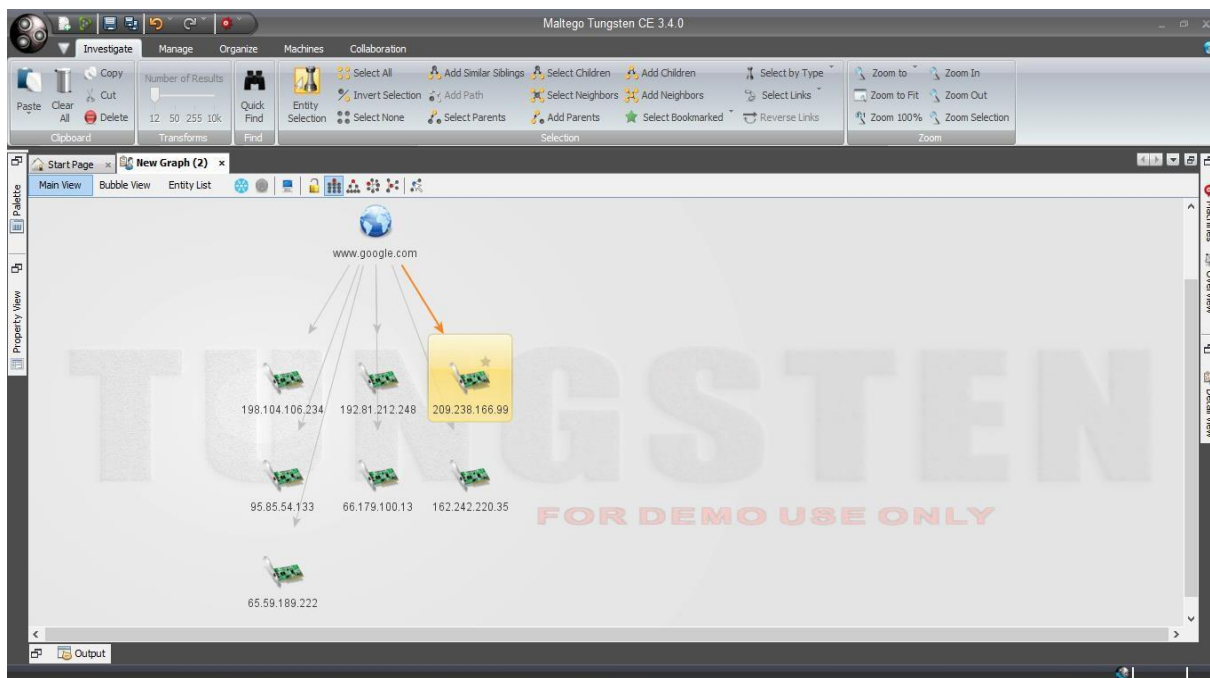
5 Transforms namely:

- i)searchShodan
- ii)searchShodanByDomain
- iii)searchShodanByNetblock
- iv)toShodanHost v)searchExploits

2 Entities namely:

- i) Service
- ii)Exploit

Here is a screen shot of the transform(searchShodanByDomain) performed on **google.com**



Note:

You can perform Shodan transforms in maltego when you have the API keys and you will get the API keys by logging into your Shodan account.

2) Integration with **Metasploit**

Usage:

- i) Open Metasploit framework in Kali/Backtrack Box


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msf > use auxiliary/gather/shodan_search
msf auxiliary(shodan_search) > show options

Module options (auxiliary/gather/shodan_search):

  Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
  ----          -
  DATABASE      false           no        Add search results to the database
  FILTER        no              no        Search for a specific IP/City/Country/Hostname
  MAXPAGE       1              yes       Max amount of pages to collect
  OUTFILE       no              no        A filename to store the list of IPs
  Proxies       no              no        Use a proxy chain
  QUERY         yes            yes       Keywords you want to search for
  SHODAN_APIKEY yes            yes       The SHODAN API key
  VHOST         www.shodanhq.com yes        The virtual host name to use in requests
msf auxiliary(shodan_search) >

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v.) We need to set query to IIS to search for IIS servers and the API key which we get when we log into our Shodan account. Now we execute it by the Run command.

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msf auxiliary(shodan_search) >
msf auxiliary(shodan_search) > set QUERY IIS
QUERY => IIS
msf auxiliary(shodan_search) > set SHODAN_APIKEY aXYIPef0mMqv2wg6wR1QuSYcWXHJTMt0
SHODAN_APIKEY => aXYIPef0mMqv2wg6wR1QuSYcWXHJTMt0
msf auxiliary(shodan_search) > run

[*] Total: 13245652 on 264914 pages. Showing: 1
[*] Country Statistics:
[*]   United States (US): 5748342
[*]   Germany (DE): 1075056
[*]   China (CN): 1043387
[*]   United Kingdom (GB): 701634
[*]   Korea, Republic of (KR): 372830
[*] Collecting data, please wait...

IP Results
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IP          City          Country      Hostname
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107.149.212.237:80  San Jose      United States  hmsu2377.wj11cd.com
109.169.222.18:80   Plymouth     United States  mail2.DanateESIx.org
109.104.88.73:8443  N/A          United Kingdom ds8089.dedicated.turbodns.co.uk
112.173.140.41:80  N/A          Korea, Republic of
113.212.67.69:80   N/A          United States  unknown.xeex.net
115.112.115.165:443 N/A          India          115.112.115.165.static-mumbai.vsnl.net.in
115.70.205.221:443  Balwyn       Australia     mail.mccrackenlegal.com
118.38.30.219:80   N/A          Korea, Republic of
121.197.76.196:80  Beijing      China          ip197.hichina.com
121.199.63.213:80  Beijing      China
124.133.2.53:80    Jinan        China
128.82.97.17:80    Norfolk      United States  lync.odu.edu
138.91.248.50:80   N/A          United States

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50.241.46.41:443   Minneapolis   United States  mail.mfkcpa.com
50.30.40.74:80     Saint Louis   United States  static-ip-50-30-40-74.inaddr.ip-pool.com
54.228.79.27:80    N/A          Ireland       ec2-54-228-79-27.eu-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com
54.243.32.56:80    Ashburn      United States  ec2-54-243-32-56.compute-1.amazonaws.com
54.254.102.254:80  N/A          Singapore     ec2-54-254-102-254.ap-southeast-1.compute.amazonaws.com
59.126.226.244:80  Taipei       Taiwan         59-126-226-244.HINET-IP.hinet.net
61.75.56.22:80    N/A          Korea, Republic of
62.154.237.203:80  Clenze       Germany        mail.reseller-one-world.de
64.78.210.164:80   Buffalo      United States
65.247.12.57:80    N/A          United States  callyspictures.com
65.61.33.96:80    Harrisburg   United States
66.203.152.15:80   Hopkinsville United States  66-203-152-15.aspbwhosting.com
66.72.123.181:443  N/A          United States  adsl-66-72-123-181.dsl.chgil.ameritech.net
66.96.173.91:80    Burlington   United States  91.173.96.66.static.eigbox.net
67.226.166.75:80   Thornhill     Canada         static-67-226-166-75.ptr.terago.net
68.67.203.52:80    Oakland      United States
70.54.203.33:80    N/A          Canada        MTLXPQAK-1177996065.sdsl.bell.ca
72.18.154.214:443  Denver       United States
72.74.85.58:80     Needham      United States  static-72-74-85-58.bstnma fios.verizon.net
75.150.38.21:443   Gresham      United States  mailhost.mshwcpa.com
77.66.83.114:80    N/A          Denmark
79.143.118.5:1723  Spin         Italy          79-143-118-5.wifi4all.it
80.14.15.57:443    N/A          France        LPuteaux-156-14-16-57.w80-14.abo.wanadoo.fr
80.179.222.115:80  Ramat Gan    Israel         80.179.222.115.static.012.net.it
82.100.225.149:80  N/A          Germany
82.152.182.34:443  N/A          United Kingdom remote.woodandpilcher.co.uk
84.24.43.3:443     Heeswijk     Netherlands    54182803.cm-5-la.dynamic.ziggo.nl
84.55.121.55:80    Stockholm    Sweden         84-55-121-55.customers.ownit.se
86.11.67.225:80    Reading      United Kingdom cpc32-rdng21-2-0-cust224.15-3.cable.virginm.net
87.118.31.35:80    Moss         Norway         smtp.aasen.bz.31.118.87.in-addr.arpa
89.207.29.78:443  N/A          Netherlands
92.27.45.180:443  N/A          United Kingdom remote.grechandgrech.com
98.142.16.67:443  Maple Grove  United States  mail.anthonylouiscenter.com

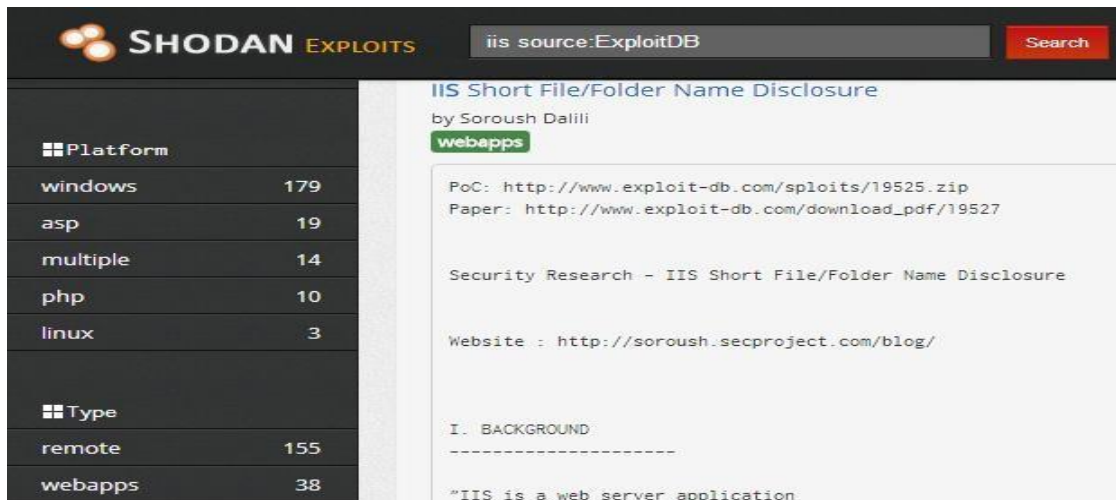
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf auxiliary(shodan_search) >

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Basically the auxiliary/gather/Shodan_search module queries the Shodan API to query the database to search for the first 50 IP addresses. The limit of 50 IP address can be increased to 10,000 IP addresses by getting unlimited API keys by purchasing it from our Shodan account.

Components of Shodan:

1) **Exploits:** Shodan Exploits can be used to find exploits for various os, servers, platforms, applications etc present on ExploitDB or Metasploit.



The screenshot shows the Shodan Exploits interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text 'iis source:ExploitDB' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, the results are displayed for the exploit 'IIS Short File/Folder Name Disclosure' by Soroush Dalili, categorized under 'webapps'. The results include a PoC link, a paper link, a security research link, and a website link. A table on the left side of the page shows the distribution of results across different platforms and types.

Platform	Count
windows	179
asp	19
multiple	14
php	10
linux	3

Type	Count
remote	155
webapps	38

2) **Maps:** Shodan maps is a paid service and you need to pay for it before using. We can see the Shodan results on a map in a easy and convenient manner. It has three kind of map views namely Satellite, Street View (Light) and Street View (Dark). It can show upto 1000 results on the screen at a time.



3) **Scanhubs**: Shodan Scanhubs can be used to create an to use to create a search of raw networks scans. Scanhubs supports tools like Nmap and Masscan. To use Scanhub . We have to set the tool (nmap/masscan) to give its output in XML format and then upload it to the Scanhub repository to get the results. Unfortunately this is also a paid component of Shodan.

Some Test Cases:

1) Netgear devices:

The screenshot shows the Shodan search interface with the query 'netgear port:80'. The search results are displayed in a table-like format with three columns: Top Countries, Authorization warning, and HTTP/1.0 401 Unauthorized.

Top Countries	Authorization warning	HTTP/1.0 401 Unauthorized
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> United Kingdom: 45,812 Australia: 38,035 Italy: 20,341 United States: 15,049 Kuwait: 8,065 	<p>81.149.30.35 BT Added on 27.05.2014 London Details host81-149-30-35.in-addr.btopenworld.com</p>	<p>Server: Date: Tue, 27 May 2014 06:21:15 GMT WWW-Authenticate: Basic realm="NETGEAR DG834" Content-Type: text/html Connection: close</p>

2) Webcam:

The screenshot shows the Shodan search interface with the query 'Android Webcam Server -Authenticate'. The search results are displayed in a table-like format with three columns: Services, Android Webcam Server, and HTTP/1.0 200 OK.

Services	Android Webcam Server	HTTP/1.0 200 OK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HTTP Alternate: 1,013 HTTP: 86 Printer Job Language: 10 Redis: 7 Oracle iSQL Plus: 3 	<p>99.59.201.123 AT&T U-verse Added on 27.05.2014 Saint Charles Details 99-59-201-123.light-speed.slsmo.sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>Connection: close Server: Android Webcam Server v0.1 Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, pre-check=0, post-check=0, max-age=0 Pragma: no-cache Expires: -1 Access-Control-Allow-Origin: * Content-Type: text/html</p>

3) Bitcoin server:

The screenshot shows the Shodan search interface with the query 'port:8333'. The search results are displayed in a table-like format with three columns: Top Countries, 50.73.65.33, and 88.139.74.95.

Top Countries	50.73.65.33	88.139.74.95
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> United States: 5,348 United Kingdom: 1,226 China: 1,183 Canada: 927 Russian Federation: 864 	<p>50.73.65.33 Comcast Business Communications Added on 27.05.2014 Alpharetta Details 95.74.139.88.rev.sfr.net</p>	<p>User-Agent: /Satoshi:0.9.1/ Version: 70002 Lastblock: 302832</p> <p>User-Agent: /Satoshi:0.8.6/ Version: 70001 Lastblock: 290404</p>

4) Ruby on Rails Vulnerable Server(CVE-2013-0156 and CVE-2013-0155):

The screenshot shows the Shodan search interface with the search query "Server:Thin -3.2.11 -3.1.10 -3.0.19 -2.3.15". The results are categorized into Services and Top Countries. The Services section lists HTTP (66,063), HTTPS (13,406), HTTP Alternate (1,288), Synology (419), and HTTP (60). The Top Countries section lists United States (43,334). The main result is for IP 69.61.43.225, identified as Cyber Wurx LLC, added on 27.05.2014, located in Saint Louis. The details section shows the URL 225-43.reverse.sideeffectslinks.com and the HTTP response headers: HTTP/1.0 200 OK, Date: Tue, 27 May 2014 03:02:51 GMT, Server: thin 1.5.1 codename Straight Razor, Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8, Content-Length: 1613, X-XSS-Protection: 1; mode=block, X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff, X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN, and Connection: close.

5) Windfarms:

6) DNS service:

The screenshot shows the Shodan search interface with the search query "port:53:". The results are categorized into Top Countries and a main result. The Top Countries section lists United States (128,749), China (54,155), Germany (33,771), Korea, Republic of (28,190), and France (27,907). The main result is for IP 213.151.47.207, identified as Internet Rimon LTD (Dial2), added on 27.05.2014. The details section shows the URL and the HTTP response headers: HTTP/1.0 200 OK, Connection: keep-alive, Rinon: RMC_BLOCK, Content-type: text/html, Refresh: 15, Date: Tue, 27 May 2014 09:56:52 GMT, Expires: Mon, 26 May 2014 00:06:52, Pragma: no-cache, Cache-Control: no-cache, Server: lighttpd/1.4.19, and Content-Length: 103. The body of the response contains the text: "<html><head></head><body><center>You are not recognized in the system !!!</center></body></html>".

Some additional cheat sheet links:

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/?q=bitcoin-mining-proxy> (Bitcoin proxy mining)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A11> (Systat)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A8089+splunkd> (Splunk servers on tcp/8089)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A17>(Search for quote of the day)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A123>(Ntp monlist)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A5632> (Vnc)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A1434> ((MS-SQL (1434))

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=OpenSSL%2F1.0.1> (Servers running OpenSSL/1.0.1)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A79> (Finger protocol)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/search?q=port%3A15> (Netstat)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/?q=telemetry+gateway> (Telemetry gateway)

<http://www.Shodanhq.com/?q=port:161+country:US+simatic> (Simatic automation system on port 161 running in US)

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<http://www.slideshare.net/thepez98/Shodan-for-penetration-testers-defcon-18>