Open Source Intelligence Techniques: Resources For Searching And Analyzing Online Information

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Synopsis
Fifth Edition Sheds New Light on Open Source Intelligence Collection and Analysis. Author Michael Bazzell has been well known and respected in government circles for his ability to locate personal information about any target through Open Source Intelligence (OSINT). In this book, he shares his methods in great detail. Each step of his process is explained throughout sixteen chapters of specialized websites, application programming interfaces, and software solutions. Based on his live and online video training at IntelTechniques.com, over 250 resources are identified with narrative tutorials and screen captures. This book will serve as a reference guide for anyone that is responsible for the collection of online content. It is written in a hands-on style that encourages the reader to execute the tutorials as they go. The search techniques offered will inspire analysts to "think outside the box" when scouring the internet for personal information. Much of the content of this book has never been discussed in any publication. Always thinking like a hacker, the author has identified new ways to use various technologies for an unintended purpose. This book will improve anyone's online investigative skills. Among other techniques, you will learn how to locate:
- Hidden Social Network Content
- Cell Phone Subscriber Information
- Deleted Websites & Posts
- Missing Facebook Profile Data
- Full Twitter Account Data
- Alias Social Network Profiles
- Free Investigative Software
- Useful Browser Extensions
- Alternative Search Engine Results
- Website Owner Information
- Photo GPS & Metadata
- Live Streaming
- Social Content
- Social Content by Location
- IP Addresses of Users
- Additional User Accounts
- Sensitive Documents & Photos
- Private Email Addresses
- Duplicate Video Posts
- Mobile App Network Data
- Unlisted Addresses & #s
- Public Government Records
- Document Metadata
- Rental Vehicle Contracts
- Online Criminal Activity
- Personal Radio Communications
- Compromised Email Information
- Wireless Routers by Location
- Hidden Mapping Applications
- Dark Web Content (Tor)
- Restricted YouTube Content
- Hidden Website Details
- Vehicle Registration Details

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Investigators, intelligence analysts, and others who need to extract powerful, freely-available data from the Internet, should check out this 3rd, greatly expanded, edition (described further at [...] It’s packed with explicit detail, including links, examples, and practical exploitation methods that give the reader significant new strengths in extracting open source intelligence (OSINT). The methods Bazzell reveals are legal but unknown to most. After doing online investigations for almost 20 years, I’m confident that most of the techniques Bazzell reveals are not well known to the investigative community at large. These are techniques that aren’t widely taught -- insider methods -- usually restricted to seminars led by a handful of top specialists who are recognized leaders in OSINT research. Unfortunately, when it comes to Internet research, many untrained searchers stop after dropping a few random, unstructured, words into Google or Bing -- praying that something useful will result. Those days should be history. Some of the techniques Bazzell shows include: how to properly query search engines to get back meaningful results; explore websites; investigate IP addresses and domain names; crack cell and landline telephone numbers; investigate online aliases and usernames to link them to the true identities behind them; break email addresses; extract intelligence from Facebook, Twitter, and most of the other large social networking sites; extract intelligence from online photos and make maximum use of satellite imaging and mapping tools and determine the physical location of investigative subjects through geotagging tools. There’s a lot more.

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