

SOCIAL ENGINEERING ATTACK USING SETOOLKIT PACKGES IN KALI LINUX - IP ADRESS APROACH

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ABSTRACT: *One of the largest and fastest growing websites today are related to social networks such as Facebook and Twitter, where these websites provide the service of finding new friends and groups. Since they have a large amount of information and billions of users available made them critical with respect to the user security and privacy. In this paper, we will present one of the social engineering attacks, with an experiment on Kali Linux operating system using the Set package from the SetoolKit over Facebook. In this type of attack; attacker will collect the information from the victim device, login information and IP address.*

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I. INTRODUCTION

Security is one of the most important factors for information system quality and robustness. Since most of people think that software and hardware bugs are the only reasons for making vulnerabilities in information systems. While in reality the human is causing more risk in the information systems [3].

No matter how much work and research have been done in the security field such as network holes, patches, and other kind of attacks to improve and resolve all holes in the systems, since security it's all about trust, blind trust in big names like twitter and Facebook encourages people to accept all updates or any new configurations. Trust generally leads to vulnerable systems in protection and authenticity [1].

Since people are easily manipulated, they are the weakest point in the security chain. Social engineering attacks based on this fact, where many attacks success because of human errors.

In this paper, we will discuss the concept and methods (attacks) of the social Engineering on social media platforms as (Facebook, twitter and Malicious software's), the idea is how to convince the victim voluntary to give the attacker a critical information such as email, passwords or some personal information's throw social media platforms. Which called Website cloning attack, where the user trust the mirror page link as if it's a real page link, in this attack user provide a critical information easily, in this paper will present an experiment with solutions. In section 2 we are going to present related work , section 3 will be about social engineering attack and the set tool kit in Kali Linux, in section 4 experiment part, section 5 is about the results and eventually the conclusion will be presented in section 6.

2. RELATED WORK

Social engineering attacks appeared in early 90s'; so many tools are created with the fast growing in social media and networks. Social engineering in early stages started with phones, where the attacker call the victims and convince them that they have a power and privileges, so the victims give a sensitive information.

Nowadays social networks replaced by the traditional communication tools, which ease the mission to trick people, where a lot of users are connected and available online. Since Social E Toolkit (SET) package is used to implement one of the social engineering attacks on Gmail accounts, in this paper we will present same approach to trick people over Facebook, and collect more than login information, IP address and victim device information might be used in other attacks.

3. SOCIAL ENGINEERING TOOL KIT MODE OF ACTION

Social engineering is the art to trick people and make them share sensitive information voluntary. This is considered as one of the attack types. Attackers aimed to let people into giving up their confidential information such as their passwords or bank information, and in another cases attacker will gain the control to the victim computer [4].

Also, another notion for this type of attack attached to it called reverse social engineering attacks, where the attacker does not need to contact the victim; however, the victim tricked into contacting with the attacker. So, a high degree of trust build between them since it started from the victim side [5]. Most of victims are not aware about the methods are used to attack them, while there are many tool kits to implement these kinds of attacks; one of these kits is for social engineering attacks called Setoolkit over the Kali Linux operating system include the SET method.

SET is a software package to be used over Social engineering attacks, concentrates on attacking the human element of security. Also, it's the most complete and most advanced Social Engineering toolkit available as open source software [3].

4. EXPERMINT

In this experiment, we are using the social engineering tool kit SetoolKit with SET package over Kali Linux OS. Kali aimed at advanced penetration testing, security auditing and contain hundred tools for information security tasks. SET tool is used to apply the web cloning attack. Figure 1 shows the user interface for the options supported with SET command and Figure 2 shows the Website Attack Vector

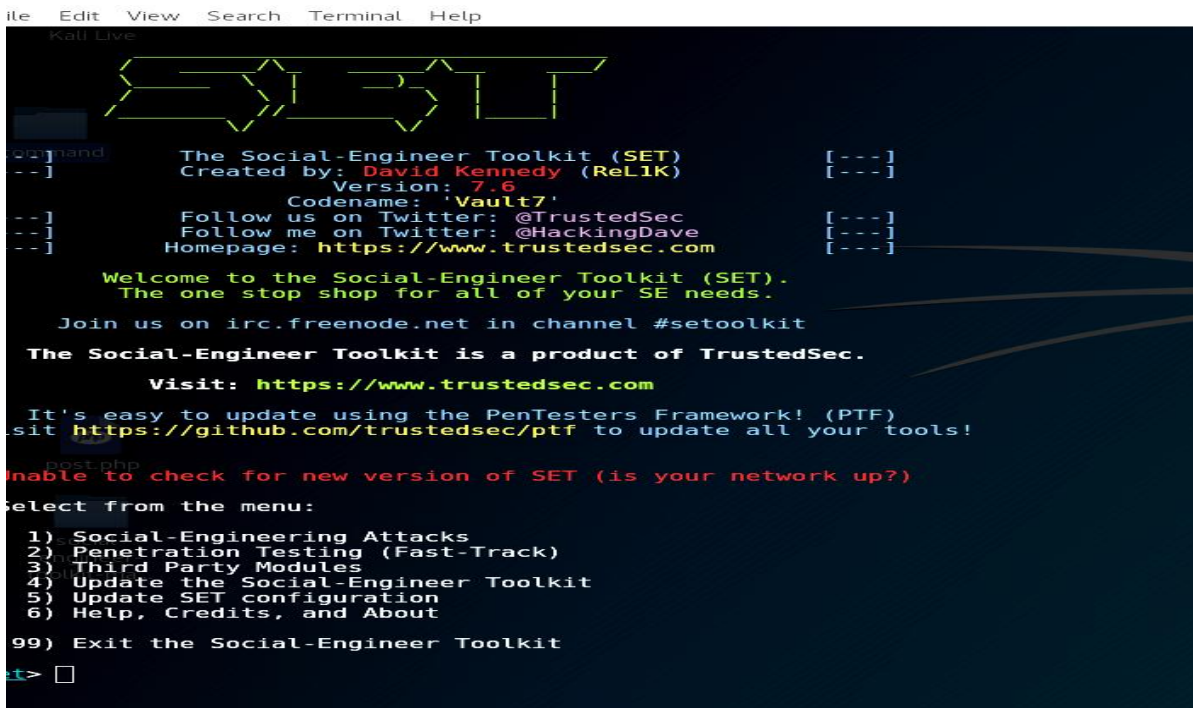


Figure 1 User Interface

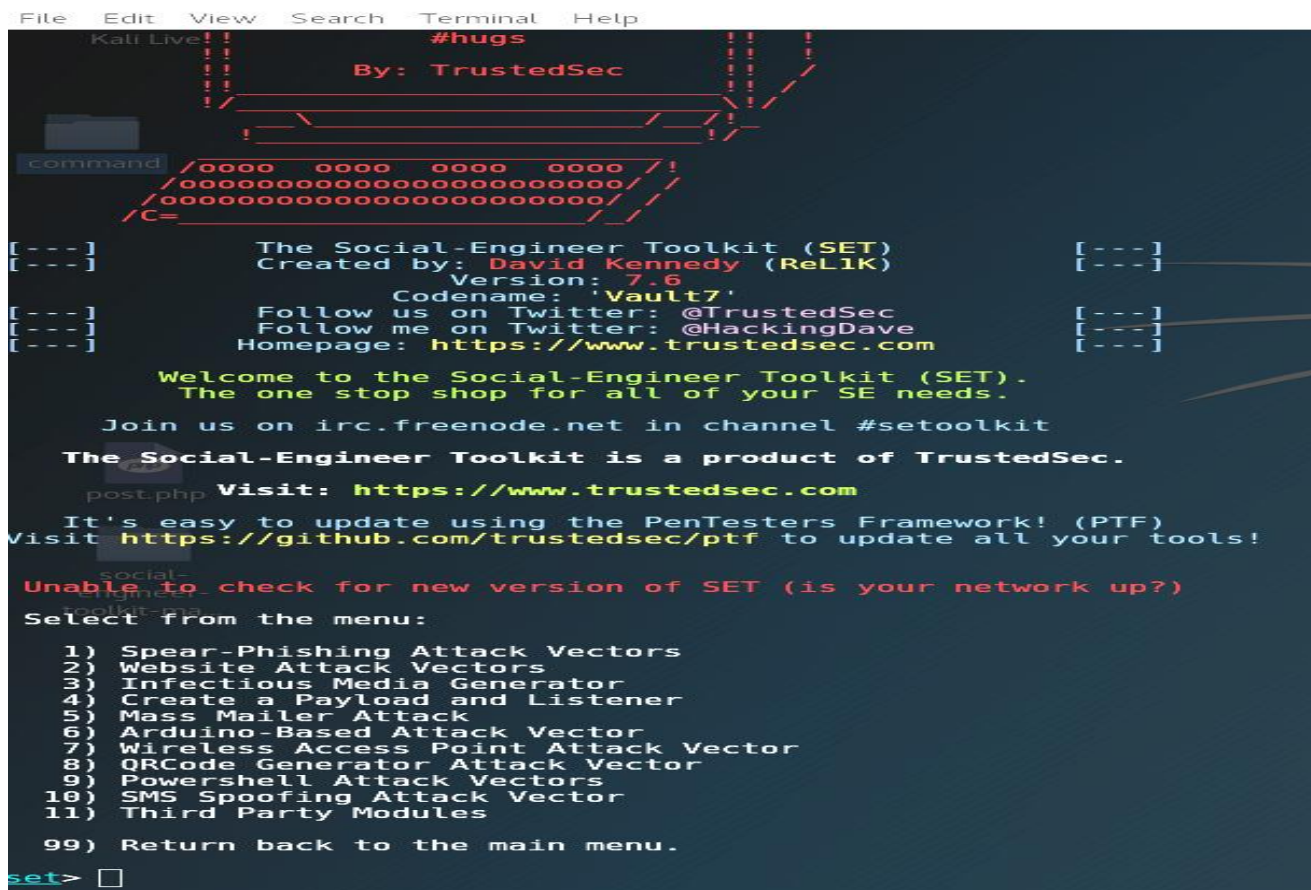


Figure 2 Website Attack Vectors

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1) Java Applet Attack Method
2) Metasploit Browser Exploit Method
3) Credential Harvester Attack Method
4) Tabnabbing Attack Method
5) Web Jacking Attack Method
6) Multi-Attack Web Method
7) Full Screen Attack Method
8) HTA Attack Method

99) Return to Main Menu

set:webattack>
    
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Figure 3 Credential Harvester Attack Method

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set:webattack>3
The first method will allow SET to import a list of pre-defined web
applications that it can utilize within the attack.

The second method will completely clone a website of your choosing
and allow you to utilize the attack vectors within the completely
same web application you were attempting to clone.

The third method allows you to import your own website, note that you
should only have an index.html when using the import website
functionality.

1) Web Templates
2) Site Cloner
3) Custom Import

99) Return to Webattack Menu

set:webattack>
    
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Figure 4 Site Cloner

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set:webattack>2
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1) Web Templates
2) Site Cloner
3) Custom Import

99) Return to Webattack Menu

set:webattack>2
[-] NAT/Port Forwarding can be used in the cases where your SET machine is
[-] not externally exposed and may be a different IP address than your reverse listener.
set> Are you using NAT/Port Forwarding [yes|no]: no
[-] Enter the IP address of your interface IP or if your using an external IP, what
[-] will be used for the connection back and to house the web server (your interface address)
set:webattack> IP address or hostname for the reverse connection 192.168.150.152 A
[-] SET supports both HTTP and HTTPS
[-] Example: http://www.thisisafakesite.com
set:webattack> Enter the url to clone www.facebook.com B
    
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Figure 5 Add IP & URL

Provided as three options as in Figure 4, the second method will completely clone a website of your choosing and allow This section will show an example where the attacker's goal is to collect login information and IP address for the victim

over Facebook. After starting SET tool; you will choose from displayed menu in order as following; from SET menu choose "Website Attack Vectors", this will have displayed another menu choose "Credential Harvester Attack Method", then choose "Site Cloner" from the new menu.

Since the site cloner method is chosen attacker needs to specify which site he/she wants to clone.

We will take a look at the third option, Credential Harvester Attack Method. Figure 3 shows the list of vectors available;you to utilize the attack vectors within the same web application that you were attempting to clone.

Add my IP address and the site we want to clone as in Figure 5.

A. My (Host) IP address

B. Website address to clone: www.facebook.com

Attacker will provide the host IP address and Facebook URL as the website to be cloned, and that will implicit starting the apache server (PHP). The victim start Adding his/her credentials to Facebook fake page [2] as in Figure 6.

After the victim receives the link many scenarios might occur:

- (1) The victim discards it.
- (2) The victim opened the link, however closed it.
- (3) The victim opened the link, entered his/her credentials even if it's correct or not, then hit submit.

The attacker will use a Fake Facebook page as shown in Figure 6.

We are interested in the second and third scenario, where click in the link and the submission process will guarantee that the IP address will be collected. The specifications of the victim device in addition to the credential info that victim entered, whether he/she entered his/her login information or not. This is one of the main profit gained by this approach.While IP addresses can be used on other serious attacks.

The fake page will talk to POST.PHP and save the entered text (the login information) on a text file. Then victim will automatically have directed to a real page which is not noticeable.

There are several web sites used to hide and cover the attacker IP address. These websites create mock link for the IP address similar to other regular links, so the user can't distinguish it such as the website called TinyURL.

Example for fake URL using TinyURL website to cover IP address: 192.168.155.130.

Fake URL will appear as:

http://tinyurl.com/FacebookAppVistor

Since the real URL for Facebook real page

Real URL: https://www.facebook.com/login.php?_rdr

When we got to the text file path, that post.php created, we will find the victim Email and the password he/she entered on the fake page login.

As we mentioned above this approach is successful in both ways, whether we got the login information or not. Anther types of attack could be implemented using IP address (ex. DOS Attack, Ping Sweep Attack, etc.).

5. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

As a result, for this experiment, the IP address, the specifications of the victim device (the type of browser, the operating system name and version) and the credential info that victim entered will be collected as shown in Figure 6. This will make the victim vulnerable for many attacks.

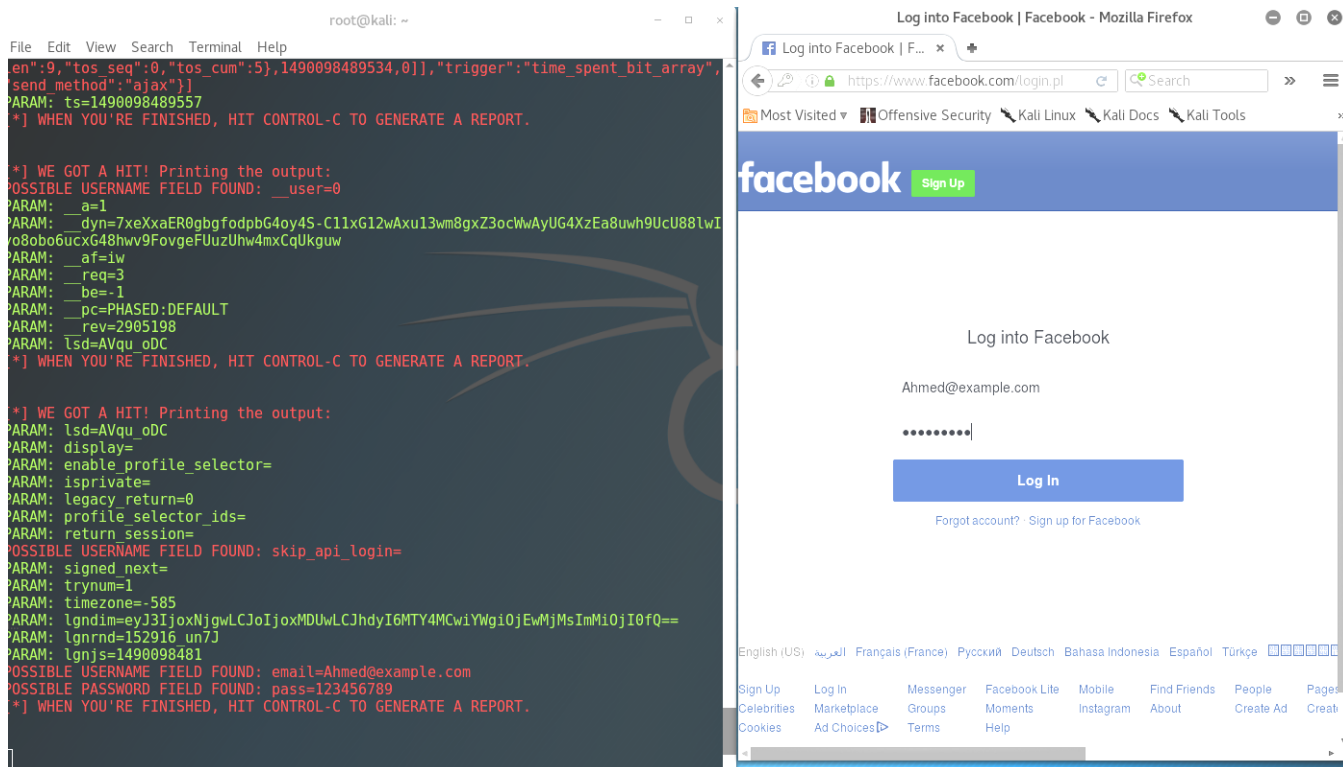


Figure 6 victim credential info

5.1 PREPARATION OF THE TARGET PACKAGE USING SOCIAL ENGINEERING

Recently, more countries and governments have started to use social engineering methods to gather information about dangerous far targets. Using social engineering methods enables us to minimize risks by not exposing intelligence sources on the ground.

In this part of study, the gathered data were proceed by analysts to produce the target package that hold an important data without being at the place of mission such as Facebook.

The first scenario, which was mentioned above, if we got IP address, the following information, can be obtained:

1. Geographic location using this website : [\(https://www.ip2location.com/\)](https://www.ip2location.com/)

2. The company that operate the network.
3. Doing another attack such as metasploit software from SetoolKit to create payload and send it to target to get a full access from victim devises and more over about metaspolit that has many capability features for example run vnc, keylogger and dumphash.

The second scenario, if the victim entered his/her credentials, firstly, we can get full access in victim account and obtain the following information as in Figure 7:

1. Login Approvals like phone number and email address that guide us to a lot of information.
2. Trusted Contacts from (list of friends, massages).
3. Where the victim was Logged In and this feature can give many information such as Last Accessed, Device Type, and IP addresses of location.

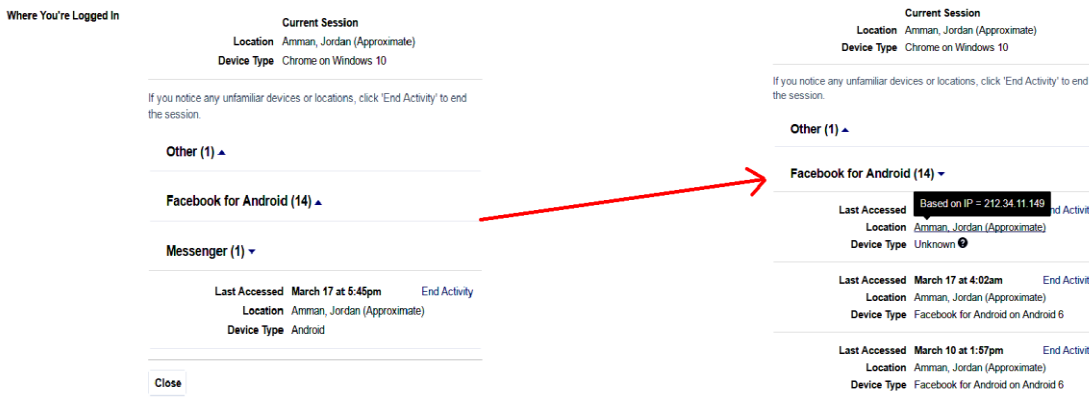


Figure 7 current session

4. The analysts can study the target behavior from the posts where shared on victim Facebook profile.

5.2 SOCIAL ENGINEERING AND OPEN SOURCE INELLIGENCE

After gathered basic critical information about the victim and applied into open source intelligence tools, it could lead to more critical information about the victim as shown in Figures, 8, 9, 10 & 11 [6].

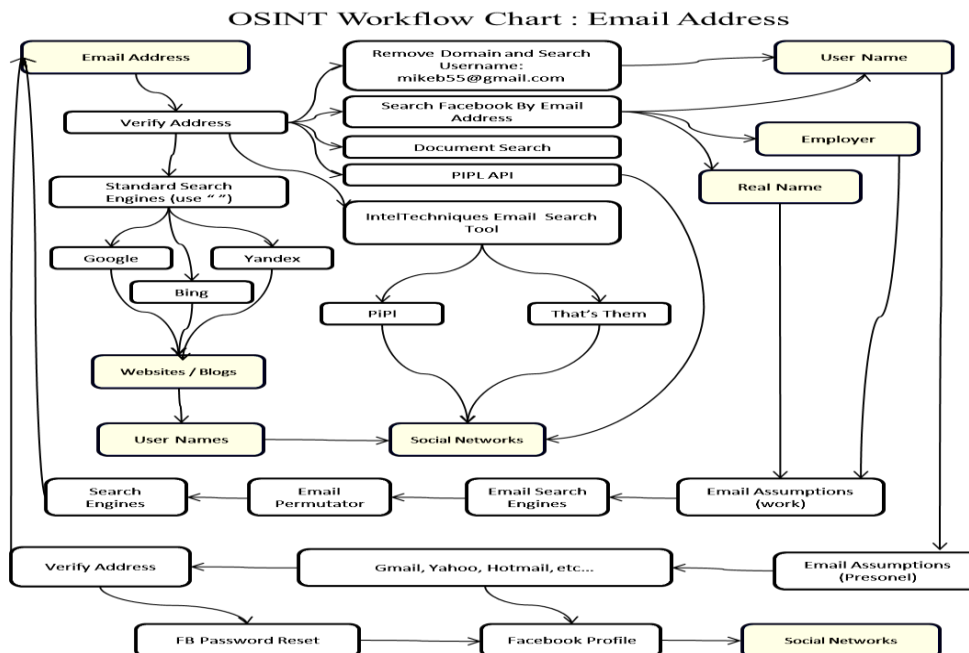


Figure 8 Email Address November-December

OSINT Workflow Chart : Real Name

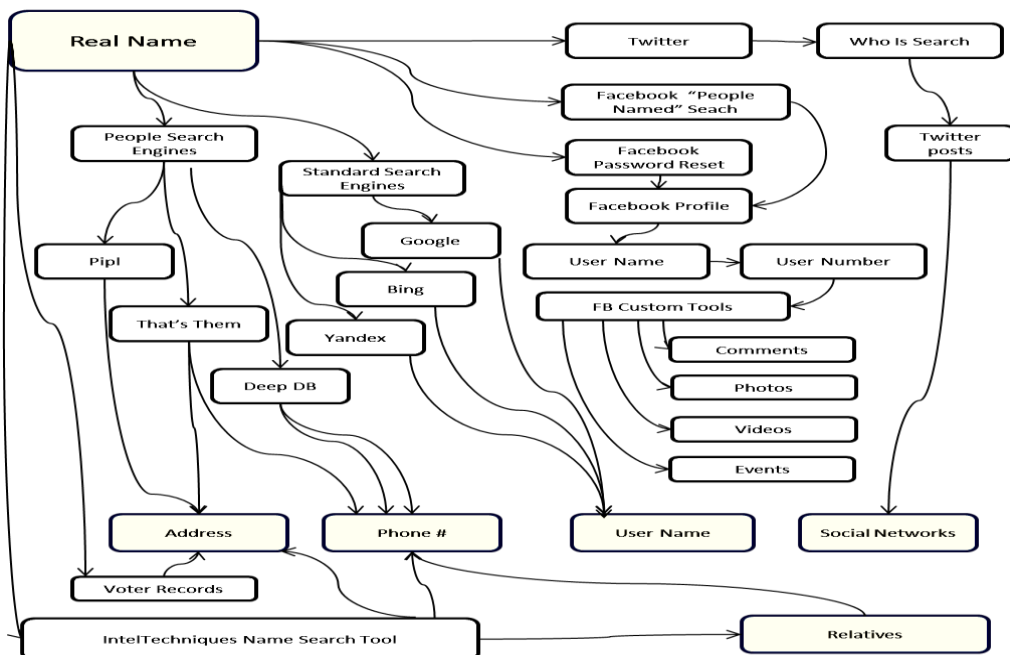


Figure 9 Real Name

OSINT Workflow Chart : Location

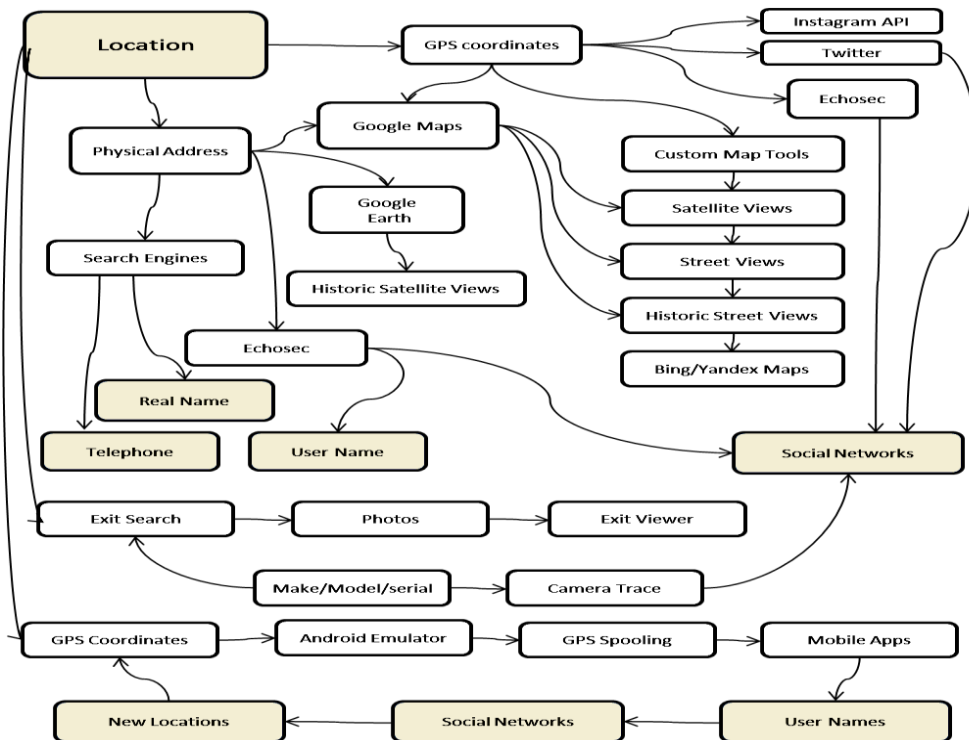


Figure 10 Location

OSINT Workflow Chart : Telephone #

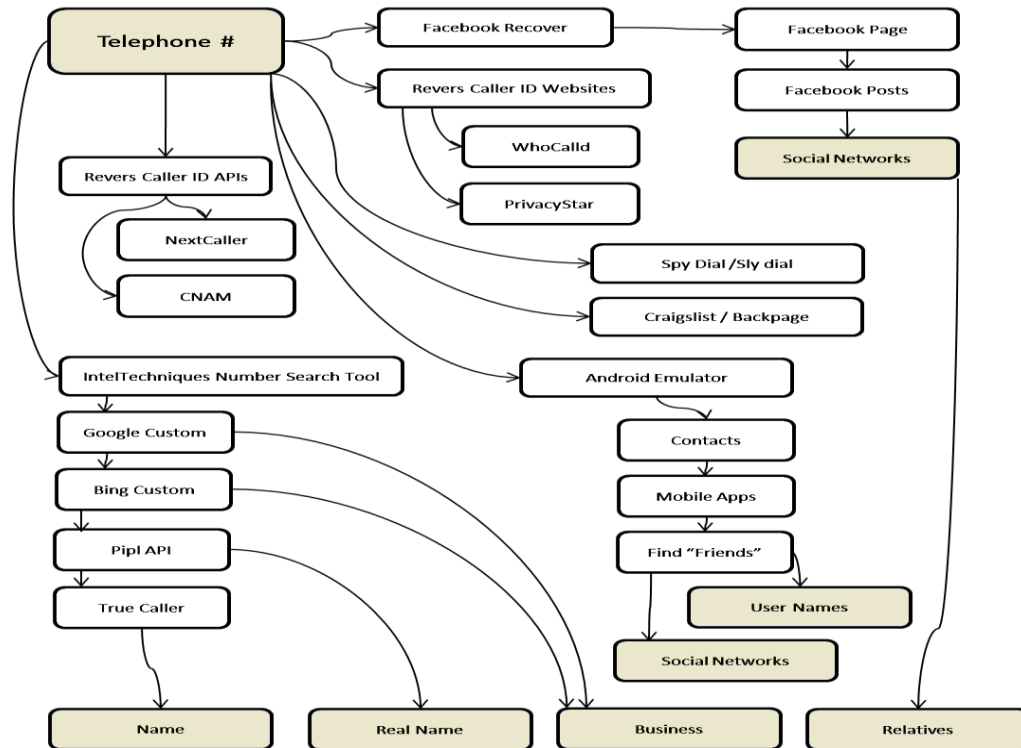


Figure 11 Telephone

6. CONCLUSION

One of the most important methods that used in evaluation of information security is penetration testing including social engineering. Since the user is the weakest in the security chain. The main characteristic of SET is its one of the open source code packages, where a lot of developers can always add more and make it easy to use and provide a new functionality.

Rapid developing system for penetration testing will be more open for creating new and advanced attack vectors.

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