

THE FUTURE OF OFFENSIVE SECURITY

# AI-POWERED RECONNAISSANCE

How to turn **DAYS** of manual intelligence gathering  
into **MINUTES** of critical, automated insights.



## Record Speed

Scanning and analyzing thousands of assets in parallel, with no human bottlenecks.



## Precise Intelligence

Using LLMs to filter noise, identify contexts, and understand business logic.



## Full Automation

From Discovery to Exploitation Plan — autonomous agents doing the heavy lifting.

# The Recon Landscape Has Changed

AI is the New Tool for both Attacker and Defender



## The Old Problem

### ✗ Manual & Slow Process

Reconnaissance requires hours of manual work and tedious collection.

### ✗ Tool Overload

Using WHOIS, Nmap, Shodan requires expertise and manual syncing between dozens of tools.

### ✗ Hidden Exposure

Organizations are unaware of leaked data until it's too late.



## The New Reality with AI

### ✓ Instant Synthesis (LLMs)

ChatGPT and Claude process massive amounts of raw data into insights in seconds.

### ✓ Autonomous AI Agents

Running a full pipeline (WHOIS -> Shodan -> Vuln) completely automatically.

### ✓ Pattern Recognition

AI identifies contexts and infrastructure patterns that a human might easily miss.

### TIME SAVINGS

Full Recon: Analyst vs AI Agent

~~8 Hours~~ → **20 Mins**



**An organization that doesn't understand its public exposure — is already breached.**

# The Foundation: Passive OSINT

Gathering Information Without Touching the Target



## Shodan

Search engine for connected devices (IoT, Servers, ICS).

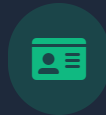
**USAGE:** Finding exposed ports, vulnerable versions, and misconfigurations.



## Netcraft

Internet infrastructure analysis and history.

**USAGE:** Hosting history, technology stack, and phishing detection.



## WHOIS

Domain registration and ownership details.

**USAGE:** Identifying registrars, admin contacts, and expiration dates.



## GitHub

Source code repositories.

**USAGE:** Leaked credentials, API keys, and internal logic.



### PRO TIP:

Passive reconnaissance is undetectable. The target has no idea you are watching.

# Google Dorking + AI

From 10 Queries to 500 in Seconds

## The Concept

Google indexes everything. We just need to ask the right questions.

```
filetype:pdf "confidential"
```

Find sensitive PDF documents

```
intitle:"index of" "backup"
```

Find exposed backup directories

```
inurl:admin "login"
```

Find admin login pages

## COVERAGE INCREASE

More hidden pages found compared to manual search.

## AI Automation

Instead of writing Dorks manually, the Agent generates permutations automatically.

```
user_input = "Find login pages for target.com"
dorks = llm.generate_dorks(user_input)

# Output:
[+] Generated 50 variations:
site:target.com inurl:login
site:target.com intitle:"Sign In"
site:target.com intext:"password"
...
```

**50x**

# Shodan + LLM

## The Internet Attack Map — At the Click of a Button

 IoT / ICS / Servers

### Powerful Shodan Queries

Shodan indexes devices, not websites. Find servers, cameras, and control systems.

### Pipeline: Shodan + AI Agent

The AI analyzes raw findings and identifies risks automatically.

```
bash - shodan-cli

→ ~ shodan search "hostname:target.com port:22"
# Find exposed SSH servers

→ ~ shodan search "vuln:CVE-2022-1388"
# Find devices vulnerable to specific CVE

→ ~ shodan search "product:\"Apache httpd\" country:US"
# Apache servers in US
```

```
python - agent_logic.py

import shodan
api = shodan.Shodan("API_KEY")
results = api.search("hostname:target.com")
# send matches to LLM and alert on criticals
for host in results['matches']: analysis = query_llm(f"
{host['ip_str']}:{host['port']} {host.get('product')}") if
"CRITICAL" in analysis: alert_team(host, analysis)
```



#### Auto CVE ID

Matching versions to known vulns



#### NSE Commands

Generating custom Nmap commands



#### Risk Scoring

Prioritizing findings (Critical/High)



#### Attack Plan

Recommendations for next steps

**FIELD INSIGHT:** "Shodan found an exposed MongoDB server. The LLM immediately identified it as CVE-2019-2389 and generated the verification commands in seconds."

# Intelligent DNS Enumeration

## Mapping the Hidden Attack Surface

### ⚠️ The Problem

Standard wordlists (common.txt) miss company-specific subdomains and internal naming conventions.

### ✅ The Solution

AI generates custom wordlists based on the company's industry, tech stack, and naming patterns.



### AI-Generated Wordlist Example

Context-aware generation based on "FinTech" + "DevOps"

dev-staging-01

vpn-employee-portal

api-internal-v2

test-payment-gateway

# Active Enumeration

## The Golden Trio: SMB, SMTP, SNMP



### SMB

Port 445

- ✓ Anonymous Login (Null Session)
- ✓ Listing Shared Folders
- ✓ Enumerating Users via RID Cycling



### SMTP

Port 25

- ✓ User Enumeration (VRFY / EXPN)
- ✓ Internal IP Leakage
- ✓ Open Relay Check



### SNMP

Port 161

- ✓ Default Community Strings (public)
- ✓ Full Network Map Extraction
- ✓ Running Processes List

### AI Agent Logic

STEP 1

Detect Port



STEP 2

Identify Service



STEP 3

Select Script

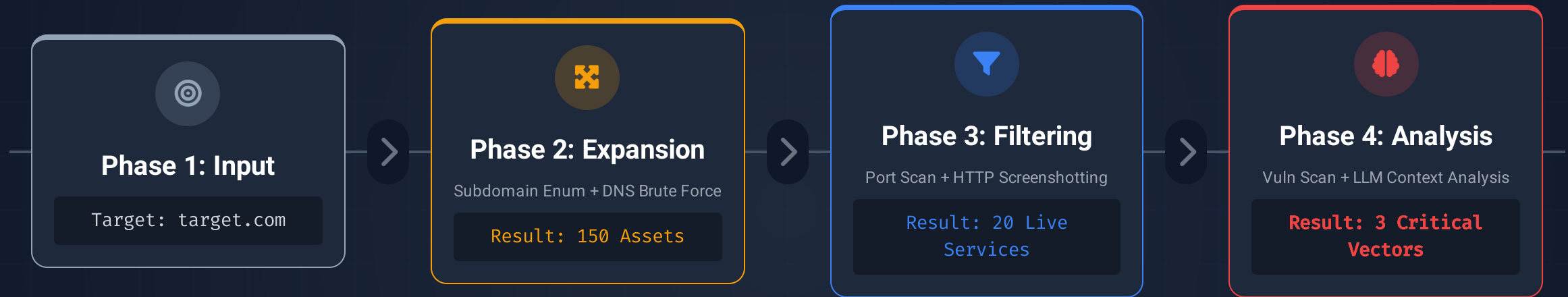


STEP 4


Analyze Output


# The Agent Architecture


How It Actually Works (Simplified)



POWERED BY

 Python (Orchestration)

 LangChain (Logic)

 Docker (Tools)

 Neo4j (Graph DB)

# Defensive Use: Blue Team

Know Yourself Before the Attacker Does

## Attack Surface Reduction

Running the Agent on your own organization to find leaks.

- ✓ Identify Shadow IT (Dev/Staging servers)
- ✓ Detect exposed Admin Panels
- ✓ Monitor Leaked Credentials on GitHub

## Red Flags to Monitor



### SSH Open to World

0.0.0.0/0 on Port 22



### S3 Bucket Publicly Writable

ACL: Public-Read-Write



### Jenkins without Auth

HTTP 200 OK on /login

## DEFENSIVE AUTOMATION SCRIPT

```
def check_exposure(target): # run recon
report = agent.run(target)
if report.critical_count: slack.alert("CRITICAL EXPOSURE FOUND")
```

# The Future is Here: **Autonomous Recon Agents**

Cybersecurity in 2026: Autonomous, Fast, and Lethal



## Multi-Agent Frameworks

Specialized agent teams (DNS, Web, Vuln) sharing intel and making joint decisions.

Tech: CrewAI, AutoGen, LangGraph



## RAG & Real-time Knowledge

Real-time connection to CVEs and intel reports for zero-day detection from moment one.

Tech: Vector DBs, Live Search



## Continuous Monitoring

Agents in continuous loops detecting infrastructure changes and alerting within seconds.

Tech: Event-Driven Architecture



## Auto-Reporting

Automatic report generation, remediation recommendations, and ticket creation.

Tech: Generative Reporting

**"AI won't replace cybersecurity professionals — cybersecurity professionals using AI will replace those who don't."**