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## **ABSTRACT**

Accurate models of Internet traffic are important for successful testing of devices that provide network security. However, with the growth of the Internet, it has become increasingly difficult to develop and maintain accurate traffic models. While much Internet traffic is legitimate, productive communications between users and services, a significant portion of Internet traffic is the result of unwanted messages sent to IP addresses without regard as to whether there is an active host at that address. In an eftort to analyze unwanted traffic, tools were developed that generate statistics and plots on captured unwanted traffic to unused IP addresses. These tools were used on a four-day period of traffic received on an inactive IPv4 class **A** network address space. Each class B subnet in this address space received an average of **7** million packets corresponding to 21 packets per second. Analyses were performed on a range of class B and **C** subnets with the intent of discovering the types of variability that are characteristic of unwanted traffic. Traffic volume over time, number of scans, destinations ports, and traffic sources varied substantially across class B and **C** subnets. The results of the analyses, along with tools to replay traffic, allow security tools to be analyzed on the LARIAT network testbed. LARIAT is a realtime adaptable network testbed developed at Lincoln Laboratory that provides an Internet-like environment in which to test network hardware and software.

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## **Chapter 1**

## **Introduction**

Accurate models of Internet traffic are required to design and test devices that process, analyze, and act upon this traffic. Accurate estimates of traffic rates enable a manufacturer to design and build forwarding devices, such as routers and switches, which will keep up and not collapse under typical activity. Similarly, a commercial website designed in anticipation of a realistic number of requests per day stands a better chance delivering services to customers than one that has not been designed with these factors in mind. In addition to traffic rates, traffic complexity plays an important role in testing security devices. Firewalls, intrusion detection systems, and other security devices must be resilient to harmless traffic patterns that generate false alarms.

As the Internet has grown, the quantity and variety of Internet traffic has increased an enormous rate **[1].** One might expect that such an increase in traffic is the result of productive communications between a growing number of users and new web pages and service applications now available on the Internet. While this is true to a large degree, it is also true that a significant amount of traffic seen on the Internet is destined to hosts that either did not request or do not expect the traffic. The increasing quantity and variety of this unrequested and unexpected traffic makes it difficult to develop realistic models of Internet traffic **[1].** For the discussion and analysis that follows, unrequested and unexpected traffic is referred to as unwanted traffic **(UT). UT** is generally composed of malicious traffic sent from worms, viruses, probes, and spyware, but can also consist of traffic sent from misconfigured routers or applications, and traffic corrupted **by** noise or interference on network transmission lines **[2,3].** While there has been a large amount of study on the volume and variety of productive traffic on the Internet, little work has been done to understand and classify **UT** on the Internet.

The goal of this project is to gain an understanding of key characteristics of **UT** through the use of exploratory data analysis. Toward this end, software tools were developed that

describe **UT** through plots, tables, and short summaries. These representations of **UT** demonstrate that **UT** is complex and **highly** variable across subnets and time, and thus hard to model. Instead of modeling **UT, I** show how it can be replayed on a network testbed, for device testing. In addition, **I** attempt to classify a wide range of **UT** seen and catalog the attacks commonly seen in **UT.**

This project is motivated **by** the need to develop a testing environment that includes realistic UT. The analyses in this project will allow for the development of systems that model the Internet with greater accuracy. One system that models and generates Internet traffic is the Lincoln Adaptable Real-time Information Assurance Testbed (LARIAT) [4]. LARIAT generates Internet traffic that allows hardware and software security tools, such as, intrusion detection systems (IDS's) and firewalls, to be tested under reliable, repeatable realworld conditions without being exposed to real Internet traffic. This is accomplished using a network of computers that replicate Internet sites and model the various behaviors of users, such as browsing web pages, writing documents, and sending and receiving email. While this system does a good **job** at modeling typical user behavior and interaction with server machines, the generated traffic does not contain **UT,** as described above. The analyses performed here make it possible to select portions of **UT** to replay on LARIAT. This traffic replay will contain realistic **UT** traffic characteristics previously unavailable on LARIAT.

Another motivation of this project is to enhance the current understanding of Internet traffic. Organizations such as the Cooperative Association for Internet Data Analysis, **CAIDA,** strive to "provide enhanced insight into the function of Internet infrastructure worldwide" **[5].** Developing tools that enable the identification and analysis of **UT,** now and in the future, will allow for the observation of trends in this area of traffic.

The rest of this thesis is laid out as follows. Chapter 2 explains the terminology used in the paper. Chapter **3** discusses previous work done in related areas and the traffic data used in the analysis. The methodology and analysis procedures are presented here. Chapter 4 presents the details of how the measurements, tables, and plots of the exploratory data analysis tools work and how their output should be interpreted. Chapter **5** discusses the results of the analyses and the various phenomena observed in **UT.** Chapter **6** presents a summary of the work and considers future directions.

## **Chapter 2**

## **Network Terminology**

This chapter defines terminology used to discuss and analyze unwanted traffic.

#### **2.1** *Classes* **of IPv4 Address Ranges**

A *class A network* is a contiguous range of  $2^{24}$  (16,777,216) IPv4 addresses, where the leading octet of the IP address is any constant between 1 and **126,** inclusive. Each of the other three octets can range from **0** to *255,* inclusive. The CIDR equivalent subnet mask for a class **A** network is **/8.** *Class B subnets* refer to an IP address range where the first two leading octets of the IP address are constant (ex. **1.2.0.0/16).** There are **216** *(65,536)* IP addresses within a class B subnet. Similarly, *class C subnets* refer to an IP address range where the first three leading octets of the IP address are constant (ex. 1.2.3.0/24). There are **28** *(256)* IP addresses within a class **C** subnet.

#### **2.2 Network Telescopes**

**A** network telescope **[6,7]** is a routed but unused IP address space. An unused IP address space is a range of IP addresses that contains no active hosts generating or replying to traffic. Sources that send traffic to a network telescope have no reason to believe that there are active hosts to respond to the traffic, and so there is no legitimate purpose in sending traffic to a network telescope. **A** network telescope can be of any size, with larger network telescopes being more likely to observe packets sooner from Internet events, such as worms spreading. Network

telescopes offer a convenient way of observing Internet-wide events, as there are no outbound packets, which would interfere with the composition of the traffic from these events.

#### **2.3 Backscatter**

Backscatter is defined as traffic received from victims that are responding to malicious denial-of-service **(DOS)** attacks. Since backscatter is response traffic, the packet types that backscatter can consist of are limited to TCP SYN/ACKs, TCP RST/ACKs, and certain ICMP types like Echo Reply and Destination Unreachable. Backscatter arrives at the unused address space because the source addresses of the attack traffic are spoofed. **If** the source address is spoofed randomly from the entire IPv4 address space, the probability of a backscatter packet reaching a network telescope is  $n/2^{32}$ , where n is the size of the network telescope.

## **Chapter 3**

#### **Unwanted Traffic Characterization**

This chapter discusses some of the previous work performed in relation to unwanted traffic. The data used in the analyses and the methodology is also explained.

#### **3.1 Previous Work**

Only recently have researchers begun to analyze unwanted traffic. **UT** can be categorized into primary and secondary unwanted traffic. Primary **UT** is typically an initiating packet, such as a connection request originating from an attacker or misconfigured host. These packets are commonly TCP SYNs, UDP, or ICMP Echo Request packets. Secondary **UT** is response traffic solicited **by** primary traffic, where the source IP address is spoofed. These packets are commonly TCP SYN/ACKs, TCP RST/ACKs, or ICMP Destination Unreachable. Moore et al. **[8]** have looked at secondary unwanted traffic, referred to as backscatter, while Pang et al. **[9]** have looked at primary unwanted traffic.

The work of Moore et al. **[8],** presents an in-depth analysis of backscatter traffic as received **by** a network telescope. Through their analysis of three weeks worth of traffic from February **2001,** on a class **A** network telescope, the authors derive an estimate of the composition of backscatter and the duration of denial-of-service attacks seen on the Internet. They observed approximately **71%** of the backscatter packets to be ICMP packets (Destination Unreachable and TTL exceeded), **21%** to be TCP RST/ACK packets, and **7%** to be TCP **SYN/ACK** and TCP RST packets. They also observed that **90%** of the attacks lasted less than an hour. Backscatter traffic represents a significant portion of unwanted traffic and will be a component of the data replayed through the current research. The work of Moore et al. did not look at primary unwanted traffic, which will be the other component of the replayed data.

Pang et al **[9]** present a second research effort related to the analysis of unwanted traffic. In a fashion similar to the work of Moore et al., the researchers capture and analyze traffic received at various unused IP address spaces. Denoting the unwanted traffic received as 'background radiation,' Pang et al. develop response agents that interact with primary traffic sources. **By** engaging the sources of the primary traffic in communication, the researchers are able to recognize specific attack types and develop detailed descriptions of the composition of this component of unwanted traffic. Before developing the responding agents to any packets, they collected a week of traffic on **10** contiguous class B subnets, from April **28** to May *5,* 2004, and a week of traffic on a class **A** network with **1/10** sampling, from March **11** to March **18,** 2004. On the **10** class B subnets, the traffic was composed *of 56.5%* TCP, **39.6%** ICMP, and **3.8% UDP.** The top **3** TCP ports targeted, based on packet count, were **135,** *445,* and **139.** These three ports accounted for over **60%** of the TCP **SYN** packets. On the class **A** network, the traffic was comprised of **88.5%** TCP, **0.3%** ICMP, and **11.3% UDP** packets. In both of these datasets, **99%** of the TCP packets were TCP SYNs. Except for the ICMP packets in the **10** class B subnets **(99.9%** of which were ICMP Echo Request), there were no temporal patterns observed in the packet rate.

#### **3.2 Traffic Data Used for Analysis**

One of the goals of this project was to analyze unwanted traffic, including both primary and backscatter **UT. UT** was defined as unrequested and unexpected traffic. Care was taken to ensure that the dataset selected for analysis did not contain Internet traffic that was not **UT.** For this reason, the dataset chosen was derived from a network telescope. Because these sources sent traffic to a network telescope, which, **by** definition, have no active hosts, this traffic was unrequested and unexpected, hence, unwanted traffic.

The dataset used was provided **by CAIDA.** It represents traffic destined for a class **A** network telescope. The dataset was collected over a period of **93** hours starting from **2:30** PM **EST** on Monday February **28, 2005** and ending at **11:30** AM **EST** on Friday, March 4, **2005.** In total, there were **160GB** of trace files.

There were certain filtering requirements on the traffic data. Although the address range of the network telescope was unused, it was not completely empty; there existed hosts on this network that were the source of data. While none of the machines in the network telescope communicated to the Internet, certain machines communicated to other machines within the class **A** network. The class B subnets in the dataset that contained any machine either transmitting or receiving internal traffic within the class **A** subnet were filtered. This left **123** class B subnets free of any type of data contamination.

#### **3.3 Methodology**

The first analysis step was to break the data up into manageable segments and select the segments to analyze. The **UT** to be incorporated into LARIAT will be played back onto class B or **C** subnets, and so we analyzed the data as such. There were **123** class B and **31,488** class **C** subnets available for analysis. Unfortunately, performing a thorough analysis on this many subnets would have meant going through hundreds of thousands of plots and charts. As this would have be too time consuming, a quick analysis was performed on a measurement of interest to the users of LARIAT, namely, total traffic destined to a subnet. The class B and **C** subnets were divided into those at the top, middle, and bottom of a sorted total packet count list. Then **30** subnets were thoroughly analyzed from each group, **180** subnets in total.

The second step was to choose what information to extract from the chosen subnets. The set of measurements chosen are representative of some of the basic characteristics of network traffic. These measurements include traffic protocol composition, destinations addresses and ports hit, the number of source addresses sending traffic to the subnet, and the number of alerts and scans seen in the traffic. These measurements were analyzed with respect to all the traffic, the top **90%** of traffic, and top *50%* of traffic. The notion of 'top X% of traffic' is different with each measurement, and is explained in detail in chapter 4.2.

With all these measurements, one large table was created, where each row represented a different subnet and each column represented a measurement. The table was sorted according to different measurements, and groupings of subnets based on similar measurements were extrapolated.

The data revealed that class B subnets are hard to cluster based on their measurements. This is attributed to the relative low number of class B subnets available and the different combinations of variability found with *256* class **C** subnets composing a class B subnet. However, some patterns were identified as targeted specifically to a class B subnet.

The data revealed that class **C** subnets are easier to cluster based on their measurements. For example, many subnets have low traffic volume and share similar attributes in terms of number of sources sending traffic and number of unique ports destined. The ability to cluster

these subnets will allow users to test security tools with a fraction of the class **C** subnets and yet achieve a wide coverage of the behaviors observed.

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## **Chapter 4**

## **Tools Developed**

Software tools were developed that describe **UT** through measurements, tables, and plots. These tools were developed using the CoralReef **[13]** software suite, Dislin plotting library [14], and custom Perl scripts. This chapter describes traffic measurements used in the exploratory data analysis and how to interpret these measurements.

#### **4.1 Measurements**

The following is a description of each measurement taken on the subnets analyzed. In certain measurements, three values represent the measurement with respect to the top **100%,** top **90%,** and top *50%* of traffic. The precise definition for 'top X% of traffic' differs depending on the measurement, and is defined explicitly in each of the applicable measurements.

**1.** Total packet and byte count

*The total packet and byte count* is a measure of the volume of traffic seen on a subnet. This measurement is used as an initial classifier of subnets, where we sorted the subnets **by** the total packet count, and then analyzed the subnets from the top, middle, and bottom of this list.

2. Average packet and byte rate

*The average packet and byte rate* for a subnet is *the total packet and byte count* divided **by** the duration, in seconds, of the dataset.

**3.** Peak packet and byte rate

*The peakpacket and byte rate* is the highest count of packets and bytes received **by** the subnet in any one-second interval. This value represents the amount of traffic a replay system must be able to handle to avoid dropping packets.

4. Traffic composition in terms of percentage of TCP, **UDP,** and ICMP

The traffic composition indicates the percentage of TCP, **UDP,** and ICMP traffic reaching the subnet. This is calculated **by** taking separate counts of TCP, **UDP,** and ICMP packets and dividing **by** the total packet count for the subnet. Occasionally, these three counts will not add up to **100%,** since subnets can receive traffic protocols other than TCP, **UDP,** and ICMP. However, no other traffic protocol contributed more than **0.1%** of the traffic, in any of the subnets analyzed.

*5.* TCP packet type breakdown

TCP packets are further broken down into counts of TCP **SYN, SYN/ACK,** ACK, RST, RST/ACK, and OTHER types. TCP OTHER packets are any TCP packets where the TCP flags do not fall into any of the previously mentioned TCP types.

**6.** Number of unique Snort alerts

*The number of unique Snort alerts* indicates how many different types of suspicious activities are hitting a subnet, based on the output from Snort [10]. Snort is a widely deployed intrusion detection system **(IDS)** that uses a rule -based language to detect potentially malicious packets. Snort was chosen as it represents a popular **IDS** used in industry.

*7.* Total number of Snort alerts

The *total number ofSnort alerts* is the sum of all the alerts, as seen **by** Snort, triggered **by** the packets received on the subnet.

**8.** Total number of scans and number of packets composing the scans

This measurement indicates the total number of scans detected **by** Snort along with the sum of the packet count of each scan. In the analysis, a scan was defined as containing at least a **1/16** packet count in relation to the number of IP addresses of the subnet. In other words, a scan in a class **C** subnet, which contains *256* IP addresses, is comprised of at least **16** packets. **A** scan in a class B subnet, which contains *65,536* IP addresses, is comprised of at least 4,096 packets. Although somewhat arbitrary, **1/16** is the smallest fraction of packets pertaining to a scan that one can easily notice in the corresponding *destination IP address index versus time plot.*

**9.** Total number of unique destination ports

The *total number of unique destination ports* seen in the traffic help distinguish the level of focus of probes and attacks in the traffic. In the case of ICMP traffic, the ICMP type is treated as unique destination ports (ex. ICMP Destination Unreachable and ICMP TTL Exceeded would be two unique destination ports separate from any TCP or **UDP** port). The top X% in this measurement is calculated **by** sorting the total number of packets sent to each TCP port, **UDP** port, and ICMP type. The sum up the number of packets in this list, in descending order, is taken until the packet count is at least  $X\%$  of the total packet count. A very low number of ports in the top  $X\%$  mean that most of the traffic was focused on exploiting a small set of vulnerabilities. **A** high number in the top  $X\%$  might mean that there was a lot of backscatter traffic destined for random ports.

**10.** Number of unique source IP hosts

This measurement represents the number of unique IP hosts (IP addresses) sending traffic to the subnet. The maximum number of possible hosts in the IP address space is approximately 4 billion. The top X% is taken **by** sorting a list of source IP addresses, in descending order, **by** the total number of packets sent to this subnet. The packets sent **by** each IP address is added until the total contribution of packets sent **by** these source IP hosts is at least X% of the total number of packets sent. **A** high number of unique source IP hosts in the top X% means there is a relatively large number of IP addresses sending packets to this subnet. This signifies a distributed attack or random traffic. **A** low number of unique source IP hosts in the top X% can signify an attack from few sources, or backscatter arriving on the subnet due to a spoofed source IP address in the original attack packet.

**I1.** Average packet and byte count per source

*The average packet and byte count per source* is calculated **by** dividing the total packet and byte count **by** the number of unique source IP hosts sending traffic to the subnet. The top X% is calculated **by** dividing the total packet and byte count **by** the top  $X\%$  value for the number of unique source IP hosts.

12. Number of unique destination IP hosts

This measurement is similar to the *number of unique source IP hosts* measurement, except that the count is of the number of unique IP addresses inside the subnet that received traffic. The maximum number of possible destination hosts is *65,536* in a class B subnet and *256* in a class **C** subnet. Given enough time, every host in a class B or **C** subnet is expected to receive at least one packet. The top X% is calculated **by** sorting the list of destination IP addresses **by** total packets received. The packets received **by** each destination IP address is added, in descending order, until at least X% of the total traffic received on the subnet is accounted for. **A** high number of destination IP addresses in the top X% signifies that traffic is randomly distributed across the subnet. A low number of destination IP addresses in the top  $X\%$  signifies that an attack is being directed to a specific machines, or that these machines are receiving backscatter.

**13.** Average packet and byte count per destination

*The average packet and byte count per destination* is calculated **by** dividing the total packet and byte count **by** the number of unique destination IP addresses receiving traffic. The top X% is calculated **by** dividing the total packet and byte count **by** the top X% value for the number of unique destination IP addresses.

#### **4.2 Tables**

Several tables were developed as part of the analysis. Although only the top three values for each table per subnet are shown, the software tools developed create complete tables that account for all the traffic. The following is a description of the tables.

**1.** Protocol type and port destination, across TCP, **UDP,** and ICMP

This table shows the total packet and byte counts and percentages destined to a unique protocol port. ICMP packets are included in this table but the ICMP type is used in place of the destination port. This table is sorted **by** packet count. Table **Al-**4 in Appendix **A** is an example of this table. In this example, ICMP does not show up because no ICMP type accounted for more than **12.9%** of the packets.

2. Destination IP addresses

This table contains the total count and percentage of traffic received **by** each IP address in the subnet, sorted **by** descending packet count. The first octet of each IP address in the table has been replaced **by** 'xx' to mask the class **A** network from which this dataset was collected. Table *A1-5* in Appendix **A** is an example of this table.

**3.** Source IP addresses

Similar to the *destination IP addresses* table, this table shows the count and percentage of traffic each source IP address sent to the subnet. This table is sorted **by** packet count. Table **A 1-6** in Appendix **A** is an example of this table.

#### 4. Snort alerts

This table displays each Snort alert triggered **by** the traffic along with a count of the number of times the alert was triggered and a percentage of the total alert count. Table **A1-7** in Appendix **A** is an example of this table.

#### **4.3 Plots**

There are six plots generated for each of the class B and **C** subnets analyzed. The following is a description of the types of plots generated for each subnet analyzed. Two of the plots have minor differences between the class B and **C** subnet versions, and are distinguished as different plot types in the list below.

**1.** Packets per hour versus time

In the *packets per hour versus time* plots the X-axis represents time measured in hours from the start of the dataset. The Y-axis denotes the total packets received on the subnet per one-hour time interval. The horizontal line in the plot denotes the average packets per hour received on the subnet, measured over the course of the whole dataset. The Y-axis scale was fixed at **300,000** packets per hour for all class B subnet plots, and 14,000 packets per hour for al but one class **C** subnet plot. Figure **A l-I** in Appendix **A** is an example of this plot.

2. Bytes per hour versus time

*The bytes per hour versus time plot* is similar to the packet per hour versus time plot, except the data here is in terms of bytes. The Y-axis scale was fixed at **15,000,000** bytes per hour for all class B subnet plots, and **700,000** bytes per hour for all but one class **C** subnet plot. Figure A1-2 in Appendix **A** is an example of this plot.

**3.** Destination IP address index versus time for class **C** subnets

In this plot, the X-axis shows time measured in hours. The Y-axis shows the decimal value of the rightmost IP address octet. In other words, all IP addresses in the class **C** subnet, **256** IP addresses, are represented on the Y-axis. Every point in the plot represents a packet sent at a specific time to a specific IP address. Solid horizontal

lines form when one machine constantly received packets for a period of time. Vertical lines represent a range of IP addresses that received packets in a very small time interval. Although one can see horizontal and vertical lines in the plot, in reality the plot is solely composed of points. These points are close enough together that they form solid lines. **All** of the packets destined to the class **C** subnet were plotted. Figure B **1-3** in Appendix B is an example of this plot. Although there are vertical bars that have the same thickness, such as the ones at *+25* and **+31,** the amount of traffic within each bar cannot be assumed to be similar, as there can be a quick succession of packets which show up as a single point.

4. Destination IP address index versus time for class B subnets

This plot is similar to the *destination IP address index versus time for class C subnets* plot, except that the Y-axis shows the decimal value of the two rightmost IP address octets. Every single IP address in the class B subnet, *65,536* IP addresses, is represented on the Y-axis. Since this plot contains a much greater range of IP addresses, there are diagonal lines, in addition to horizontal and vertical lines. The diagonal lines are similar to the vertical lines, denoting a range of IP addresses that received packets over the course of time. Another difference in this plot arises from the increased magnitude of packets destined to class B subnets. Although every packet was represented with a point in the class **C** plots, attempting to plot all the packets received **by** a class B subnet would yield an unreadable solid box in the plot window. To develop a readable plot for the class B subnet, every  $100<sup>th</sup>$  point (the title of the plot contains the phrase 'skip= $100$ ' to represent this) is plotted. While making the plot readable, plotting every  $100<sup>th</sup>$  point can lead to loss of significant events in the plot, such as scans. To provide some degree of confidence that there was no major loss of data, the same subnet was plotted various times, shifting the first point used each time. **A** shift in the first point causes a shift in all the points used that follow. **I** was able to confirm that the multiple plots of the same subnet were similar **by** visually observing that the same horizontal, vertical, and diagonal lines were visible in each plot. Figure **A1-3** in Appendix **A** is an example of this plot.

*5.* Destination port versus time

In the *destination port versus time* plot, the X-axis represents time, in hours. The Yaxis is a log scale of the port numbers a packet can be destined for, between **I** and *65,535.* Each point is plotted as a unique color and symbol depending on the packet type. The packet types shown in this plot are **UDP** packets and TCP **(SYN,**

**SYN/ACK,** ACK, RST, RST/ACK, and OTHER) packets. ICMP packets are not shown, as these packets are not destined to ports. The *destination port versus time* plot allows one to discern which services are receiving packets and if multiple services are being attacked at the same time with similar duration and intensity. Figure **A** 1-4 in Appendix **A** is an example of this plot. The points are plotted in descending order of packet type as based on the list in the legend. This means that packet types at the bottom of the list, such as RST/ACKs, will obscure packet types preceding them, such as **UDP.**

**6.** Total packets to each IP address for class **C** subnets

In this plot, the X-axis represents each of the individual **256** IP addresses that compose the class **C** subnet. The Y-axis shows the total number of packets received over the course of the **93** hours in the dataset. This plot allows one to observe any bias towards a single IP address or a cluster of IP addresses, in terms of packet destination. Figure B<sub>1</sub>-5 in Appendix B is an example of this plot. This plot shows a bias towards the lower half of the IP range, and that certain IP addresses such as xx.55.145.202 received eight times as many packets as the average. Figure B2-5 in Appendix B is another example of this plot where xx. **128.8.14** received so many packets that the quantities received **by** the other IP addresses do not show up because of the magnitude of the Y-axis scale.

**7.** Total packets in each class **C** subnet for class B subnets

This plot is similar to the *total packets to each IP addressfbr class C subnets plot* except that the X-axis represents each of the **256** class **C** subnets that compose the class B subnets. For example, on the xx.1.0.0/16 class B subnet plot, the Y-value corresponding to **98** on the X-axis would represent the total packets received **by** the class **C** subnet represented **by** xx. 1.98.0/24. Figure **Al-5** in Appendix **A** is an example of this plot.

**8.** Snort alerts versus time

In the *Snort alerts versus time* plot, the X-axis represents time measured in hours. The Y-axis on this plot lists each of the Snort alerts seen over the course of the **93** hours, in ascending order, **by** alert count, where the alert count is shown in parenthesis. Each point on the plot marks a time when a single alert was triggered. Since some of the high-count alerts would show up as solid bars, the point is colorcoded to signify the number of alerts seen in that one-hour period. Note that the plot will show a unique point for every single alert, so in a one-hour period, all the points will be the same color, and the number of alerts in that whole one-hour period is equivalent to the associated color in the legend. Figure B **1-6** in Appendix B is an example of this plot.

## **Chapter 5**

## **Characteristics of Unwanted Traffic**

This chapter discusses the characteristics of the unwanted traffic arriving on the class **A** network. The first section explains the general results observed across the whole class **A** network. Sections *5.2* and *5.3* delve into the phenomena observed within the class B and **C** subnets. Section *5.4* describes high volume traffic patterns targeted to specific IP addresses.

#### **5.1 General Results**

The **123** class B subnets in the dataset received 842 million packets over the course of **93** hours. The composition of the traffic seen in the dataset is shown in Table **1.** TCP SYNs, **UDP,** and *ICMP* Echo Request packets (comprising **90%** of the ICMP packets), are considered types of

primary UT and made up 82% of the traffic, while the backscatter is composed of the remaining 18% of the traffic.

The traffic breakdown differs significantly from both Moore's and Pang's results, and hint at how much the distribution of traffic across protocols can differ. Moore's work, which looked at backscatter traffic in 2001, found a two-to-one ratio of ICMP destination unreachable packets to TCP RST/ACKs and TCP **Table 1 - Breakdown of packet SYN/ACKs put together, whereas** our dataset had a radically

Packet Type	$%$ of
	Total
	Packets
<b>TCP SYN</b>	59
<b>TCP SYN/ACK</b>	
TCP RST/ACK	
<b>TCP OTHER</b>	
<b>UDP</b>	20
<b>ICMP</b>	

**types in the dataset.**

smaller ratio of nearly one-to-fifty. Pang's 2004 study found **11%** of the packets in a class **A** network to be **UDP** and **88%** of the packets to be TCP SYNs. Their class **A** network received traffic at a rate of 147 packets per destination IP address per day. In our class **A** network 20% of the packets were **UDP** and *59%* of the packets were TCP SYNs. The traffic rate was **27** packets per destination IP address per day.

On average, each class B subnet received **6.8** million packets, with **5.2** million packets on the low end, **9.8** million packets on the high end, and two outliers with 12.0 million packets. Figure 1 shows the amount of TCP, **UDP,** and ICMP packets received **by** each class B subnet. The amount of ICMP and **UDP** traffic received at each class B subnet was consistent; however, the amount of TCP traffic varied significantly between the lower and upper half of the class **A** network. The amount of TCP traffic decreased **by** approximately 20%, or 1.2 million packets, between the lower half of the class **A** network (from xx.0.0.0/16 to **xx.127.0.0/16,** there were **<sup>55</sup>** class B subnets analyzed) and the upper half of the class **A** network (from **xx.128.0.0/16** to xx.255.0.0/16, there were **68** class B subnets analyzed). This decrease was caused **by** the unexpected distribution of backscatter traffic.



Total TCP, **UDP,** and ICMP packets in each class B subnet

**Figure 1 - The total amount of TCP, UDP, and TCMP packets received by each class B subnet.**

#### **5.1.1 The Nature of Backscatter**

As explained in section **2.3,** backscatter traffic is response traffic received from machines replying to spoofed source addresses. It is typically assumed that the source address for the packet causing backscatter is randomly spoofed, and chosen uniformly from the IPv4 address space. Assuming uniformity in spoofed addresses allows one to calculate the amount of backscatter on the Internet, based on the backscatter seen at a network telescope. Two wellknown exceptions to the randomness and uniformity of spoofed source addresses are reflector attacks and broken pseudo-random number generators (PRNGs).

Reflector attacks are distributed denial-of-service **(DDOS)** attacks in which backscatter arrives from multiple machines to a single fixed spoofed source address **[11].** The backscatter from this type of attack is meant to disrupt a single machine. This type of attack is recognizable since only a few hosts in a class **A** network would receive a large amount of backscatter traffic.

PRNGs are used to generate random numbers for IP addresses. **A** correctly implemented PRNG would generate a uniform distribution of random numbers. Broken PRNGs generate uneven distribution of random numbers. When a broken PRNG generates spoofed source or destination IP addresses, packets will arrive to certain addresses at a higher frequency than other addresses, and some addresses might never be generated.

Closer examination of the TCP traffic, as shown in Figure 2, illustrates that the drop in traffic was due to a decrease in TCP **SYN/ACK** and RST/ACK packets. The decrease in these two backscatter packet types at different regions of the class **A** network indicates that the spoofed addresses for backscatter was not selected uniformly from the IPv4 address space. The other types of TCP packets, which contributed to backscatter but comprised less than **1%** of the TCP packets, are shown in Figure **3.** It is interesting to note, in Figure **3,** that the amount of TCP ACKs dropped precipitously in the upper half of the class **A** network.



Total TCP type packets in each class B subnet

**Figure 2 - The three significant TCP packet types received on each class B subnet.**





**Figure 3 - The remaining TCP packet types received on each class B subnet.**

The differences in backscatter between the two halves of the class **A** network suggest that the backscatter addresses within the class **A** network were not chosen uniformly. Figure 4, which shows the total amount of backscatter received on each of the class B subnets, reveals that even within the two halves of the class **A** network, backscatter was not destined uniformly. There were several 'fixed' quantities of backscatter received at different class B subnets throughout both halves of the class A network. Though not literally fixed, the amounts of backscatter received fall into identified clusters with very small standard deviations. From the **123** class B subnets analyzed, there were six clusters of total backscatter, shown in Figure **5** (ignoring 2 outliers at **6** million). Figure **5** was created **by** plotting the total backscatter on each of the class B subnets, where the subnets are sorted by ascending backscatter quantities. Similarly, the total primary traffic was sorted for all the class B subnets and plotted in Figure **5.** Note that the X-axis values do not pertain to any specific class B subnet as the primary and backscatter packet totals were sorted independently and plotted on the same graph for easier comparison. The six clusters of backscatter in Figure **5** form at **620,000, 1.1** million, **1.6** million, **1.9** million, 2.4 million, and **2.9** million packets. These clusters represent a set of impulses in backscatter, concentrated at six values. Primary traffic, on the other hand, has a continuous nearly straight-line curve, which indicates the class B subnets received a uniform distribution of packets between 4.5 and **6** million.

Total backscatter in each class B subnet



**Figure 4 - Backscatter received on each class B subnet.**



Primary and backscatter traffic continuity

**Figure 5 - Primary and backscatter traffic amounts destined to the class B subnets. Both plots sorted independently to illustrate differences in uniformity.**

The **two main contributors of** backscatter were TCP **SYN/ACK** and TCP RST/ACK packets. **SYN/ACK** and RST/ACK each accounted for approximately half of the backscatter. SYN/ACKs are sent when a TCP connection attempt is successful. RST/ACKs are sent when the TCP connection is unsuccessful due to an active computer not receiving packets on a specified port. In effect, these two packet types compliment each other, and you would not expect to receive one if you have received the other. However, in the dataset, there was an extremely high

correlation, shown in Figure **6,** between the number of **SYN/ACK** packets and the number of RST/ACK packets each class B subnet received. The first three clusters on the left half of Figure **6** correspond to the upper half of the class **A** subnet and have a ratio of between one and two RST/ACK packets for every one **SYN/ACK.** The second three clusters, on the right half of Figure **6,** correspond to the lower half of the class **A** subnet and have a ratio of between one and two **SYN/ACK** packets for every two RST/ACKs. Similarly, there is a very strong correlation between the number of **SYN/ACK** packets and the number or ACK packets, shown in Figure **7.**

Total number of **SYN/ACK** packets versus RST/ACK packets for all **123** class B subnets



**Figure 6 - The amount of RST/ACKs compared to SYN/ACKs that each class B subnetreceive d (two high volume outliers not plotted). The number of class B subnet points in each cluster from left to right is 40, 18, 8, 36, 11, and 8.**



Total number of **SYN/ACK** packets versus ACK packets for all **123** class B subnets

**Figure 7 - The amount of ACKs compared to SYN/ACKs that each class B subnet receive d (two high volume outliers not plotted).**

While the non-uniformity of backscatter was unexpected, there were other expected characteristics of backscatter confirmed in the dataset. One characteristic found in backscatter was that the more backscatter a subnet received, the more destination ports there were that received traffic. Since backscatter is a reply to a packet attempting to connect to a service on a fixed port, the destination port is typically a random high number application port. Figure **8** shows how the number of destination ports accounting for the top **90%** of traffic increases as a class B subnet receives more backscatter. This behavior would be missed if one plots the backscatter amount against the number of unique destination ports in *all* the traffic received on a subnet, because each port is eventually expected to receive a random packet. On the same figure, for a consistent amount of backscatter, the number of unique destination ports in the top **90%** increased as the total primary traffic decreased. This was caused **by** the *relative* increase in backscatter as primary traffic decreased (i.e. the ratio of backscatter to primary traffic increased).





**Figure 8 - Primary and backscatter amounts for each class B subnet as a function of destination ports.**

**Another** observed characteristic of backscatter was that as the amount of backscatter decreases, the number of IP sources contributing to the top **50%** of traffic increased (Figure **9).** Since backscatter is the response traffic from specific sources, more backscatter translates to these specific sources contributing a greater percentage of the traffic. The amount of primary traffic remained independent of the number of unique IP sources.



Primary and backscatter traffic versus unique IP sources

**Figure 9 - Primary and backscatter amounts for each class B subnet as a function of IP sources.**
#### **5.1.2 Snort alerts**

Overall, Snort generated few abrts. This was mainly because most of the packets **in** the dataset, which included TCP SYNs, SYN/ACKs, and RST/ACKS contained no data. Much of the malicious TCP traffic, which would have otherwise generated Snort alerts, was never sent to the network telescope because machines could not establish a TCP connection to the IP addresses in the class **A** network. The few alert types that Snort generated in high quantities were **MS-SQL** worm propagation attempts, ICMP ping nmaps, and ICMP destination unreachable. Figure **<sup>10</sup>** shows an example of a typical alert plot for the class B subnets; **MS-SQL** worm and ICMP ping nmap accounted for at least **90%** of the alerts visible across all but one of the class B subnet alert plots. The high volume ICMP destination unreachable alert only occurs in one of the analyzed class B subnets, and is discussed in section **5.2.5.**

The **'MS-SQL** worm propagation attempt' alert is generated **by** Snort when the Slammer worm packet is detected. The Slammer worm, originally released in January **2003,** is a single packet UDP (port 1434) worm that attempts to compromise a Microsoft **SQL** server [12]. Since the Slammer worm, which propagates without verifying that the target IP address is active, is contained within a single **UDP** packet, it is easily identified **by** Snort. The **MS-SQL** worm alerts were diurnal with double peak rates of **-2600** alerts/hour at around +4 and **+10** hours.

The 'ICMP ping nmap' alert is generated when an ICMP ping packet that is likely caused **by** the nmap tool, is detected. ICMP pings are used to detect whether there is a computer operating at a specified IP address. ICMP pings generated **by** nmap are used to scan a subnet for active hosts and can be a precursor to future attacks targeted at the active hosts found **by** the tool. The ICMP ping nmap alerts were diurnal, with a peak rate of **-1700** alerts/hour at **+18** hours.





Figure 10 - Snort alerts in 101B.

#### **5.2 Class B Results**

There is a wide variety of phenomena to be observed within the class B subnets. As stated earlier, the lowest volume on a class B subnet was 5.2 million packets and the highest volume, ignoring the two outliers, was 9.8 million packets. Tables and plots for high volume class B subnets are presented in sections A.1, A.2, A.5, A.6, and A.9 of appendix A. Tables and plots for mid volume class B subnets are presented in sections A.3, A.4, A.7, A.8, and A.10 of appendix A. Tables and plots for mid volume class B subnets are presented in section A.11 of appendix A. While 30 class B subnets were chosen from the highest, middle, and lowest total packet count, there was no clear characteristic separating the three categories. Instead, the phenomena observed, including non-uniformity in traffic distribution, banded traffic, multi-port attacks, and sweeps, seemed to have been targeted at random class B subnets. In this section, each class B subnet is referred to by the class B subnet index followed by the letter B (ex. 244B refers to  $xx.244.0.0/16$ ). The results concerning TCP traffic are discussed in sections 5.2.1 to

*5.2.4,* followed **by** the ICMP traffic results in sections *5.2.5* and *5.2.6,* and the **UDP** traffic results in sections *5.2.7* and **5.2.8.**

#### **5.2.1 Non-Uniform Backscatter**

The two subnets that received the most amount of traffic, 204B and 244B, exhibited nonuniform backscatter. Each subnet received 12 million packets, 20% more than the third highest volume subnet. The cause of this was a dramatic increase in backscatter. 204B received more than 2 million TCP SYN/ACKs and 244B received more than *3.5* million TCP RST/ACKs, **700** thousand and 2.2 million more packets, respectively, than the third highest **SYN/ACK** and RST/ACK volume in a single subnet. This backscatter had an unusual distribution; it was specifically targeted at the first 40 class **C** subnets within either class B subnets. Figure 11 shows a high amount of TCP traffic, which appear as 'bars' at the bottom of the plot, destined for the first **10,000** IP addresses within 204B. These destination IP bars correspond to the packets of SYN/ACKs and RST/ACKS destined for the ports between **8,000** and 40,000 in Figure 12. The connection between these two figures is easier to notice **by** observing the gap between +84 and **+90** hours; there is a single vertical line in the middle of the gap in both figures. Figure **13** shows how the first 40 class **C** subnets received roughly five times the amount of traffic compared to the other class **C** subnets.



Figure 11 **-** Traffic destined to 204B, where TCP traffic is non-uniform.

Destination port versus time (skip=100)



Figure 12 **-** Destination ports for 204B, where high ports receive a distinct pattern of traffic.

#### **Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.204.0.0/16**



Figure **13 - A non-uniform distribution of packets received by each class C subnet in 204B.**

Both 204B and 244B received at least 20% of their traffic from two sources, **61.177.64.171** and *61.152.91.151.* These two IP addresses belong to class B networks owned **by** a Chinese telecom. Using Google to search for more information on the **61.177.64.171** IP address, cached results revealed forum posts, where people mentioned this IP address, dating back to within two weeks of the traffic dataset. These posts referred to links of peer-to-peer (P2P) torrent files for illegal movie and software downloads found at **61.177.64.171,** a torrent server. It is difficult to explain the pattern of spoofed addresses used in the traffic directed towards the torrent servers, but this serves as an example of unusual **UT** that would be difficult to emulate.

#### **5.2.2 Non-Uniform Primary Traffic**

Similar to the non-uniform backscatter traffic, **a** few subnets received a non-uniform distribution of primary traffic across the class **C** subnets within. The clearest example of this was observed on **192B,** shown in Figure 14. TCP SYNs to port *135* caused the increase in traffic, starting at the 18th class **C** subnet, and gradually decreasing again. This port received **2.7** million

packets of approximately 48 bytes **(1.8** million was the second highest amount of TCP port **<sup>135</sup>** packets destined to one class B subnet). Unlike the non-uniform backscatter traffic, no single source contributed more than 1.2% of the traffic on this subnet, the likely reason being that the source IP addresses were spoofed.



Total packets in each **class C subnet in xx.192.0.0/16**

**Figure 14 - A non-uniform distribution of packets received by each class C subnet in 192B.**

#### **5.2.3 Banded Traffic**

One peculiar phenomenon that only appeared on one of the analyzed class B subnets, 49B, was horizontal and vertical bands of TCP traffic, shown in Figure **15.** The three vertical bands indicate increased packet activity destined to all **IP** addresses within the class B subnet. Each vertical band lasted approximately **6** hours. The horizontal band lasted throughout the **93** hour dataset and affected 12 class **C** subnets within 49B. 49B received 20% of its traffic from a single source sending TCP **SYN** packets to port 445. There were **3.7** million TCP **SYN** port 445 packets sent to this subnet **(1.8** million more than any other subnet). The bands are not simple sweeps across an IP range, as these would appear as thin lines. Instead, the bands indicate that

for all IP addresses in the range, each IP address constantly received a TCP **SYN** port 445 packet for **6** hours.



Figure **15 -** Vertical bands of traffic in the 49B destination IP address plot.

#### 5.2.4 Multi-port TCP attacks

Many class B subnets received short bursts of TCP packets destined to multiple ports. Figure 16 shows an example of this behavior, seen on 243B. Between +68 and +76 hours, 243B received TCP SYN packets destined to ports 901, 3410, 12345, and 27374. Each port received between 1% and 2% of the total traffic. While it can be assumed that the short multi-port TCP attacks were caused by a single event, the same cannot be said for the multiple TCP ports that received traffic throughout the whole 93 hours. These ports (ex. 80, 135, 139, 445, 1023, 1025, 3127, 5554, and 9898) do not share *unusual* temporal characteristics like the four TCP ports hit simultaneously for a short duration, and may have been caused by different events.

Destination port versus time (skip=100)



Figure 16 - Four ports on 243B received packets at the same time and with the same duration.

#### 5.2.5 High Volume ICMP Destination Unreachable

On the 1B subnet, there was a high volume of ICMP destination unreachable packets. This subnet stood out as having more than twice as many ICMP packets compared with the other class B subnets. The majority of these ICMP packets were destined to a single IP address, xx.1.128.12. This was the only class B subnet where the MS-SQL worm and the ICMP ping nmap alerts were not the top two alerts. The bottom of Figure 17 shows how the ICMP destination unreachable packet volume peaks at  $+18$ ,  $+42$ , and  $+90$  hours.

#### Snort alerts versus time in xx.1.0.0



Figure 17 - Snort alerts for 1B, where ICMP destination unreachable is the highest volume alert.

#### **5.2.6 ICMP Echo Request Sweep**

Sweeps of any ICMP type were rarely seen in the analyzed class B subnets. However, on the **81** B subnet, there was a visible ICMP echo request sweep across the whole subnet (Figure **18).** The sweep started from **+72** hours at the **0** IP address index and continues until +84 hours, where it reaches the **65,535** IP address index (note: the TCP and **UDP** packets have been filtered from the original plot, since the ICMP sweep cannot be seen when the plot is not in color). Figure **A3-3** in appendix **A** shows the same plot as Figure **18,** but without the TCP and **UDP** packet types filtered out from the plot. There were over 400,000 ICMP echo request packets, approximately **6%** of the traffic, directed to this subnet. Because most of the other class B subnets received no more than **200,000** ICMP echo request packets, this sweep is likely composed of the additional 200,000 packets. Neither **79B** nor **83B,** the two spatially closest class B subnets analyzed, exhibited any ICMP sweep activity.



Destination **IP address index versus time** in xx.81.0.0/16 (skip=100)

**Figure 18 - An ICMP sweep going across 81B starting at +72 hours and ending at +84 hours.**

#### **5.2.7 Class B UDP Sweep**

The **168B** subnet received the most amount of UDP traffic, **3.6** million packets. 40% of the UDP traffic was 78-byte port **137** packets targeted to all machines. Port **137 UDP** traffic is typically associated with NetBIOS name queries. No other class B subnet had nearly as many **UDP** sweeps visible in the *destination IP address index versus time* plot type, shown in Figure **19.** The source IP addresses of the **UDP** sweeps were likely spoofed as no source contributed more than 2% of the traffic.



Figure **19 - Traffic destined to 168B, where vertical UDP sweeps visually outnumber the TCP sweeps.**

#### **5.2.8 Select Target High Volume UDP Traffic**

The 128B subnet received the second highest total UDP packets, 2.4 million packets (third highest was **1.7** million **UDP** packets). **All** of the **UDP** traffic was destined to a single IP address xx.128.8.14. xx.128.8.14 received 840,000 160-byte packets to **UDP** port **1037.** The fact that **UDP** packets are primary traffic, and that no source contributed more than **2.6%** of the traffic, indicate that this activity was a **DDOS** attack.

#### **5.3 Class C Results**

The class **C** subnets plots allow us to discern the traffic behavior that composes a class B subnet. The low packet count class **C** subnets received around **10,000** packets. Tables and plots for these subnets are presented in sections B.6, **B.7,** and B.8 of appendix B. The mid packet count class **C** subnets (i.e. ranking **15,000** out of a sorted list of **-30,000** class **C** subnet packet counts) had around 20,000 packets. Tables and plots for mid volume class **C** subnets are presented in sections B. 1 and B.4 of appendix B. Both the low and mid packet count subnets had a fairly even distribution of traffic, with **90%** of the traffic going to an average of **216** IP addresses amongst the **256** IP addresses within each subnet. The high packet count class **C** subnets received over **500,000** packets and displayed phenomena targeted at specific IP addresses. Each of the **30** high volume class **C** subnets had at least **90%** of the traffic destined to a single IP address within the class **C** subnet. Tables and plots for high volume class **C** subnets are presented in sections B.2, B.3, *B.5,* and B.9 of appendix B.

In this section, each class **C** subnet is referred to **by** the second and third IP address octet followed **by** the letter **C** (ex. **255.145C** refers to xx.255.145.0/24). Only low and mid packet count class **C** subnets are discussed in this section, as they have characteristics pertaining to the subnet as a whole. Section *5.3.1* discusses an observed phenomenon where packet noise was contained in specific IP address ranges. Phenomena found in the high volume class **C** subnets, which in fact pertain to specific destination IP addresses within the subnet, are discussed in section 5.4.

#### **5.3.1 Packet Noise**

In the low and mid volume class **C** plots, there is behavior that helps explain the differences in total backscatter between the lower and upper half of the class **A** network. Figure 20 is a plot of the backscatter in the low and mid volume class **C** subnets analyzed. The class **C** index is computed **by** multiplying the second **lIP** octet (from the left) **by 256** and adding that to the third **IP** octet (ex. the class **C** index for X.Y.Z.0/24 is 256\*Y+Z). Figure 20 shows that the low and mid volume class **C** subnets pertaining to the class B network below **128** received on average **5,000** more backscatter packets than those above that range. This is not surprising as the difference of 5,000 for each class **C** subnet, matches the 1.2 million packet difference *(5,000\*256* is approximately **1.3** million) between the class B subnets, explained in section **5.1.** It turns out that the packets destined to each of the class **C** subnets below the 128-class B octet is not distributed evenly. The lower half of the IP range within each *class C subnet* received approximately 20% more traffic than the upper half.





Figure 20 **-** Total backscatter in the **low and mid volume class C subnets.**

Figure 21 is an example of a class **C** subnet, *55.145C,* below the 128-class B octet. The plot shows the total amount of traffic each of the **256** IP addresses, within the *55.145C* subnet, received. There was a 20% drop in 'noise' after the xx.55.145.128 IP address index. The *destination IP address versus time* plot for *55.145C* (Figure 22) reveals the cause of the drop in noise. The lower half of the graph has 'specks' of random TCP packets distributed throughout the whole time period. **All** of the class **C** subnets below **128** look similar in terms of the specks of TCP packets seen below the **128** IP address, while those above the 128-class B octet, such as **198.188C** (shown in Figure **23),** were clear of those specks.

# **930-** 813 **697- Ad 651-** ,465- 348- **232-** 232 **116- 0-** ) **32** 64 **96 128 160** 192 224 IF address index

#### Total packets to each IP address in xx.55.145,0/24

Figure 21 **-** Total amount of traffic received **by** each IP address within **55.145C.**



Figure 22 **- A** plot of every packet received **by** each IP address in **55.145C.**



Destination IP address index versus time in xx.198188.0/24

Figure **23 - A** plot of every packet received **by** each IP address in **198.188C.**

## **5.4 Targeted IP Address Results**

The high volume targeted IP address results are all based on the high volume class **C** results. **All 30** of the high volume class **C** subnets, which received over **500,000** packets, had at least **91%** of the packets directed to a single IP address within their class **C** subnet. It should be noted that the average volume of packets received **by** each class **C** subnet across the class **A** network was **27,000.**

There were four phenomena observed in the **30** high volume targeted IP addresses. The phenomena include *5* IP addresses with a diurnal packet per hour pattern, **23** IP addresses which all had a similar temporal packet pattern, 1 IP address which received a large amount of P2P traffic targeted at port 4662, and **I** IP address which received a lot of **UDP** port **1037** traffic (discussed in section *5.2.8).*

#### **5.4.1 Diurnal Packet Pattern**

**A** diurnal pattern was observed in the *packet versus time* plots of five class **C** subnets. **All** of these IP addresses received between 480,000 and **700,000** packets. The diurnal pattern targeted at the *5* IP addresses were all similar; an example of the **109.116C** pattern is shown in Figure 24. The diurnal pattern appears to be a scan for particular port vulnerabilities, since **6** ports accounted for a large percentage of the traffic. Table 2 shows that six destination ports accounted for over **95%** of the packets in these subnets.

#### Packets per hour versus time



**Figure 24 - Diurnal packet per hour versus time plot for 109.116C.**

$\overline{\phantom{0}}$		<b>IP Address</b>				
		x.25.161.40	x.109.116.137	x.217.229.249	x.232.94.123	x.248.246.112
$%$ of Total Traffic per Port	<b>TCP</b> 1025	21.0	21.1	21.2	21.3	21.3
	<b>TCP</b> 42	20.9	21.2	21.4	21.2	21.1
	<b>TCP</b> 80	19.4	18.9	19.0	19.2	19.2
	<b>TCP</b> 139	17.0	17.9	18.0	17.8	17.8
	<b>TCP</b> 445	10.8	11.5	11.8	11.6	11.5
	<b>TCP</b> 135	6.6	6.7	7.0	6.9	7.3
Total %		95.7	97.3	98.4	98.0	98.2

**Table 2 - The traffic breakdown, by port, for the 5 IP addresses that had a diurnal packet pattern.**

### *5.4.2* **Similar Temporal Traffic Pattern across Class B Subnets**

One interesting phenomenon observed was that **23** IP addresses, which spanned distant class B and **C** subnets, received a similar temporal traffic pattern This traffic pattern is divided into two groups, where the difference between the groups was caused **by** a single IP source. One

group consisted of **10** IP addresses where the IP source, 210.245.191.90, sent *5,500* packets; the other group consisted of the remaining **13** IP addresses where the same IP source sent **60,000** packets. The packet per hour versus time pattern of the former group is shown in Figure **25;** the pattern of the latter group is shown in Figure **26.** The difference to observe between these two figures is the increase in traffic between +22 and **+38** hours, which accounts for approximately **50,000** packets. Figure **27** shows an example of the total number of packets sent **by** the top **18** IP sources, to 4 of the **23** IP address destinations. The IP source on the far right of the plot can be seen to have sent a significantly greater amount of traffic to two of the four **IP** destinations. In fact, all 23 IP addresses shared the same top 18 IP sources, with the same relative amounts except for the traffic received from IP source 210.245.191.90 (the **23 IP** addresses share more than **18** IP sources, but there was a 20% drop in total packets after the 18<sup>th</sup> IP source). Considering that the same IP sources are involved in the form of backscatter seen on these **23** IP addresses, a single event is likely to have caused this phenomenon, where a distinct set of IP addresses were targeted.

**Packets per hour versus time**



**Figure 25 - Packet per hour plot for 5.67C in which 210.245.191.90 sent little traffic.**

#### Packets per hour versus time



Figure **26 -** Packet per hour plot for 101.204C in which 210.245.191.90 sent a high volume of traffic.



Total packets sent from top **18** IP sources to high backscatter volume IP destinations

Figure **27 -** Packet count from the top **18** IP sources, sent to 4 IP addresses.

The only pattern distinguishing whether 210.245.191.90 sent traffic was that only those destination IP addresses where their rightmost octet was a multiple of **16,** did not receive traffic from this source, shown in Figure **28.** The other octets did not seem to bias the distribution of traffic from this IP source. The traffic from this source, 210.245.191.90, is what separates the **23** IP addresses into those that received **532,000** backscatter packets versus those that received on average 482,000 backscatter packets. This 50,000-packet difference was solely a difference in the volume of TCP RST/ACKs. This distinct separation of backscatter quantity may explain **why** there were clusters of backscatter found in the section **5.1.1** backscatter analysis.



Total backscatter received based on rightmost IP address octet

Figure **28 -** Total backscatter received on the **23** IP addresses, based on the rightmost octet

These **23** IP addresses all received over 470,000 packets of backscatter. This translates to each IP address representing approximately **10%** of the backscatter observed within their class B subnet. 2 of the **23** IP addresses analyzed actually pertained to the same class B subnet. This suggests that the backscatter received on each of the class B subnets might have been the aggregate of the backscatter received **by 10** IP addresses within the subnets.

#### **5.4.3 Single Target P2P Primary Traffic**

One IP address, xx.218.68.212, received 486,000 packets, of which at least **92%** were TCP **SYN** packets to port 4662. EDonkey P2P client commonly uses this port. The attack did not appear to start until +20 hours, shown in Figure **29;** it continued throughout the rest of the dataset period, with two large bursts of traffic lasting approximately 24 hours each. No source contributed more than **0.1%** of the packets. Unlike the P2P activity, which caused a large amount of backscatter, discussed in section *5.2.1,* this P2P activity consists of primary traffic. The likely

cause of the activity seen on xx.218.68.212 is that the IP address was incorrectly listed as a P2P server.

#### Packets per hour versus time



**Figure 29 - Packet per hour plot of P2P traffic sent to xx.218.68.212.**

# **Chapter 6**

# **Conclusion**

This thesis presents the results of analyses performed on unwanted traffic received on a class **A** network telescope. The results show the various types of traffic phenomena that were observed including a variety of sweeps, diurnal and irregular traffic patterns, non-uniform traffic distributions, and high volume attacks. These phenomena were targeted at different class B subnets, class **C** subnets, and IP addresses across the whole class **A** network and were difficult to predict. While one subnet would receive a certain pattern of traffic, an adjacent subnet would be devoid of such a pattern. **A** large portion of the dataset could not be analyzed at the class **C** or individual IP address level, and so it cannot be assumed that the list of phenomena presented is comprehensive. In addition, many of the phenomena lasted longer than the 93-hour period of the dataset, and so the temporal aspects of these phenomena could not be ascertained. The unusual nature of the traffic, the inability to analyze all of the class **C** and individual IP address activity, and the short duration of the dataset make it difficult to create artificial models of unwanted traffic. Future work towards improving the understanding of **UT** includes automating the statistical analysis of traffic measurements using clustering techniques, analyzing longer datasets and classes within those datasets more efficiently, and looking at the root causes behind these phenomena.

The results also show that the backscatter in this dataset was not uniform. When the class B subnets were observed at the class **A** network level, a large disparity was seen between two regions of the network. Assuming uniformity in backscatter, especially since uniformity can be observed in clusters of class B subnets, can lead to gross miscalculations of backscatter characteristics on the Internet.

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Appendix **A:**

Tables and Plots for Class B Subnets

# **A.1 - XX.1.0.0/16**



Table **Al-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for lB.



Table **Al-2 -** TCP packet types in lB.



Table **Al -3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in lB.



Table A1-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in lB.



Table **Al-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in IB.



Table **Al-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **1B.**



Table **Al** *-7* **-** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in lB.

#### Packets per hour versus time



Figure A1-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 1B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A1-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 1B.



Figure A1-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 1B.





Figure A1-4 - Destination port versus time in 1B.

# 500,000 437,500 375,000 4 312,500<br>dd<br>a 250,000<br>dd<br>p 187,500 125,000 62,500  $\pmb{\mathbb{O}}$ 32 64 96 128 160 192 224  $\circ$ Class C subnet index

Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.1.0.0/16

Figure A1-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 1B.





Figure A1-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 1B.

# **A.2 -** XX.49.0.0/16



Table **A2-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for 49B.



Table **A2-2 -** TCP packet types in 49B.



Table **A2-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 49B.



Table A2-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 49B.



Table **A2-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 49B.



Table **A2-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 49B.



Table **A2-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 49B.

#### Packets per hour versus time



Figure A2-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 49B.

#### Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A2-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 49B.



Figure A2-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 49B.

Destination port versus time (skip=100)



Figure A2-4 - Destination port versus time in 49B.

#### Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.49.0.0/16



Figure A2-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 49B.

Snort alerts versus time in xx.49.0.0



Figure A2-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 49B.
## **A.3 - XX.81.0.0/16**



Table **A3-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for 81B.



Table **A3-2 -** TCP packet types in 81B.



Table **A3-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 81B.



Table A3-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 81B.



Table **A3-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 81B.



Table **A3-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 81B.



Table **A3-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 81B.



Figure A3-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 81B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A3-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 81B.



Figure A3-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 81B.





Figure A3-4 - Destination port versus time in 81B.

## Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.81.0.0/16



Figure A3-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 81B.





Figure A3-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 81B.

## A.4 **-** XX.128.0.0/16



Table A4-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for 128B.



Table A4-2 **-** TCP packet types in 128B.



Table A4-3 **-** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 128B.



Table A4-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 128B.



Table A4-5 **-** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 128B.



Table A4-6 **-** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 128B.



Table A4-7 **-** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 128B.



Figure A4-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in 128B.

### Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A4-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in 128B.



Figure A4-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 128B.





Figure A4-4 - Destination port versus time in 128B.

## Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.128.0.0/16



Figure A4-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 128B.





Figure A4-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 128B.

# **A.5 - XX.168.0.0/16**



Table **A5-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for **168B.**



Table **A5-2 -** TCP packet types in **168B.**



Table **A5-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top *50%* of traffic in **168B.**



Table A5-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **168B.**



Table **A5-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **168B.**



Table **A5-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **168B.**



Table **A5-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **168B.**



Figure A5-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 168B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A5-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 168B.



Figure A5-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 168B.





Figure A5-4 - Destination port versus time in 168B.

#### Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.168.0.0/16



Figure A5-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 168B.





Figure A5-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 168B.

## **A.6 -** XX.204.0.0/16



Table **A6-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for 204B.



Table **A6-2 -** TCP packet types in 204B.



Table **A6-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 204B.



Table A6-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 204B.



Table **A6-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 204B.



Table **A6-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 204B.



Table **A6-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 204B.



Figure A6-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 204B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A6-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 204B.



Figure A6-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 204B.





Figure A6-4 - Destination port versus time in 204B.

## Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.204.0.0/16



Figure A6-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 204B.





Figure A6-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 204B.

## **A.7 -** XX.229.0.0/16



Table **A7-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for 229B.



Table **A7-2 -** TCP packet types in 229B.



Table **A7-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 229B.



Table A7-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 229B.



Table **A7-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 229B.



Table **A7-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 229B.



Table **A7-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **229B.**



Figure A7-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 229B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A7-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 229B.



Figure **A7-3 -** Destination IP address index versus time in 229B.





Figure A7-4 **-** Destination port versus time in 229B.

## Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.229.0.0/16



Figure A7-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 229B.





Figure A7-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 229B.

## **A.8 -** XX.243.0.0/16



Table **A8-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for 243B.

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Table **A8-2 -** TCP packet types in 243B.



Table **A8-3 -** Statistics for all, the top 90%, and the top *50%* of traffic in 243B.



Table A8-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 243B.



Table **A8-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 243B.



Table **A8-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 243B.



Table **A8-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 243B.



Figure **A8-1 -** Packets per hour versus time in 243B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure **A8-2 -** Bytes per hour versus time in 243B.



Figure A8-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 243B.

Destination port versus time (skip=100)



Figure A8-4 - Destination port versus time in 243B.

### Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.243.0.0/16



Figure A8-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 243B.





Figure A8-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 243B.

## **A.9 -** XX.244.0.0/16



Table **A9-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for 244B.



Table **A9-2 -** TCP packet types in 244B.



Table **A9-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 244B.



Table A9-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 244B.



Table **A9-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 244B.



Table **A9-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 244B.



Table **A9-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 244B.



Figure A9-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 244B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A9-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 244B.



Figure A9-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 244B.

Destination port versus time (skip=100)



Figure A9-4 - Destination port versus time in 244B.

## Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.244.0.0/16



Figure A9-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 244B.





Figure A9-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 244B.

## **A.10 -** XX.248.0.0/16



Table **AIO-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for 248B.



Table **A10-2 -** TCP packet types in 248B.



Table **AIO-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 248B.



Table A10-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 248B.



Table **A 10-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 248B.



Table **A1O-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 248B.



Table **A10-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 248B.



Figure A10-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 248B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A10-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 248B.



Figure A10-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 248B.





Figure A10-4 - Destination port versus time in 248B.

### Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.248.0.0/16



Figure A10-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 248B.





Figure A10-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 248B.

## **A.11** - **XX.251.0.0/16**



**Table A1-1 - Packet and byte statistics for 251B.**



Table **A11-2 -** TCP packet types in **251B.**



Table **Al 1-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in 251B.



**Table AlI-4 -** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 251B.



**Table A1-5 - Top 3 destination IPs across all packet types by packet count, in 25 lB.**



**Table All-6 - Top 3 source IPs across all packet types by packet count, in 251B.**



**Table Al1-7 - Top 3 alerts by alert count, in 251B.**



Figure A11-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 251B.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure A11-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 251B.



Figure A11-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 251B.

Destination port versus time (skip=100)



Figure A11-4 - Destination port versus time in 251B.

## Total packets in each class C subnet in xx.251.0.0/16



Figure A11-5 - Total packets in each class C subnet in 251B.





Figure A11-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 251B.
Appendix B:

Tables and Plots for Class **C** Subnets

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### **B.1 -** XX.55.145.0/24



Table B1-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for **55.145C.**



Table B1-2 **-** TCP packet types in **55.145C.**



Table BI-3 **-** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in **55.145C.**



Table B1-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in *55.145C.*



Table BI-5 **-** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **55.145C.**



Table B1-6 **-** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **55.145C.**



Table **BI-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **55.145C.**



Figure B1-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in **55.145C.**

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B1-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in **55.145C.**





Figure B1-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 55.145C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B1-4 - Destination port versus time in 55.145C.

#### Total packets to each IP address in xx.55.145.0/24



Figure B1-5 - Total packets to each IP address in 55.145C.





Figure B1-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 55.145C.

## B.2 **-** XX.128.8.0/24



Table B2-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for **128.8C.**



Table B2-2 **-** TCP packet types in **128.8C.**



Table B2-3 **-** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in **128.8C.**



Table B2-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **128.8C.**



Table B2-5 **-** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **128.8C.**



Table B2-6 **-** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **128.8C.**



Table **B2-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **128.8C.**



Figure B2-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in **128.8C.**

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B2-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in **128.8C.**





Figure B2-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 128.8C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B2-4 - Destination port versus time in 128.8C.

### Total packets to each IP address in xx.128.8.0/24



Figure B2-5 - Total packets to each IP address in 128.8C.





Figure B2-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 128.8C.

## B.3 **-** XX.198.188.0/24



Table B3-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for **198.188C.**



Table **B3-2 -** TCP packet types in **198.188C.**



Table B3-3 **-** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top *50%* of traffic in **198.188C.**



Table B3-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **198.188C.**



Table **B3-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **198.188C.**



Table **B3-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **198.188C.**



Table **B3-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **198.188C.**



Figure B3-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 198.188C.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B3-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 198.188C.





Figure B3-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 198.188C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B3-4 - Destination port versus time in 198.188C.

#### Total packets to each IP address in xx.198.188.0/24



Figure B3-5 - Total packets to each IP address in 198.188C.





Figure B3-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 198.188C.

## **B.4 -** XX.209.239.0/24



Table B4-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for **209.239C.**



Table B4-2 **-** TCP packet types in **209.239C.**



Table B4-3 **-** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top *50%* of traffic, in **209.239C.**



Table B4-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **209.239C.**



Table *B4-5* **-** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **209.239C.**



Table B4-6 **-** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **209.239C.**



Table B4-7 **-** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **209.239C.**



Figure B4-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in **209.239C.**

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B4-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in **209.239C.**





Figure B4-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 209.239C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B4-4 - Destination port versus time in 209.239C.

### Total packets to each IP address in xx.209.239.0/24



Figure B4-5 - Total packets to each IP address in 209.239C.





Figure B4-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 209.239C.

## B.5 **-** XX.218.68.0/24



Table B5-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for **218.68C.**



Table *B5-2* **-** TCP packet types in **218.68C.**



Table *B5-3* **-** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic, in **218.68C.**



Table B5-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **218.68C.**



Table **B5-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **218.68C.**



Table **B5-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **218.68C.**



Table **B5-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **218.68C.**



Figure B5-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in **218.68C.**

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B5-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in **218.68C.**

### Destination IP address index versus time in xx.218.68.0/24



Figure B5-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 218.68C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B5-4 - Destination port versus time in 218.68C.

### Total packets to each IP address in xx.218.68.0/24



Figure B5-5 - Total packets to each IP address in 218.68C.





Figure B5-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 218.68C.

# **B.6 -** XX.220.236.0/24



Table B6-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for **220.236C.**



Table B6-2 **-** TCP packet types in **220.236C.**



Table **B6-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in **220.236C.**



Table B6-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **220.236C.**



Table **B6-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **220.236C.**



Table **B6-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **220.236C.**



Table **B6-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **220.236C.**



Figure B6-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in **220.236C.**

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B6-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in **220.236C.**

Destination IP address index versus time in xx.220.236.0/24



Figure B6-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 220.236C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B6-4 - Destination port versus time in 220.236C.

#### Total packets to each IP address in xx.220.236.0/24



Figure B6-5 - Total packets to each IP address in 220.236C.





Figure B6-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 220.236C.

## **B.7 -** XX.226.255.0/24



Table **B7-1 -** Packet and byte statistics for **226.255C.**



Table **B7-2 -** TCP packet types in **226.255C.**



Table **B7-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top **50%** of traffic in **226.255C.**



Table B7-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **226.255C.**



Table **B7-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **226.255C.**



Table **B7-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **226.255C.**



Table **B7-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in **226.255C.**



Figure B7-1 - Packets per hour versus time in 226.255C.

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B7-2 - Bytes per hour versus time in 226.255C.





Figure B7-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 226.255C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B7-4 - Destination port versus time in 226.255C.

### Total packets to each IP address in xx.226.255.0/24



Figure **B7-5 -** Total packets to each IP address in **226.255C.**





Figure **B7-6 -** Snort alerts versus time in **226.255C.**

## **B.8 -** XX.239.255.0/24



Table B8-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for **239.255C.**



Table B8-2 **-** TCP packet types in **239.255C.**



Table **B8-3 -** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top *50%* of traffic in **239.255C.**



Table B8-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in **239.255C.**



Table **B8-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in **239.255C.**



Table **B8-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in *239.255C.*



Table **B8-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in *239.255C.*



Figure B8-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in **239.255C.**

Bytes per hour versus time



Figure B8-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in **239.255C.**





Figure B8-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 239.255C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B8-4 - Destination port versus time in 239.255C.

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Total packets to each IP address in xx.239.255.0/24

Figure **B8-5 -** Total packets to each IP address in **239.255C.**

Snort alerts versus time in xx.239.255.0



Figure **B8-6 -** Snort alerts versus time in **239.255C.**

### B.9 **-** XX.248.246.0/24



Table B9-1 **-** Packet and byte statistics for 248.246C.



Table B9-2 **-** TCP packet types in 248.246C.



Table B9-3 **-** Statistics for all, the top **90%,** and the top *50%* of traffic in 248.246C.



Table B9-4 **-** Top **3** packet types across ICMP, TCP, and **UDP** traffic **by** packet count, in 248.246C.



Table **B9-5 -** Top **3** destination IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 248.246C.



Table **B9-6 -** Top **3** source IPs across all packet types **by** packet count, in 248.246C.



Table **B9-7 -** Top **3** alerts **by** alert count, in 248.246C.



Figure B9-1 **-** Packets per hour versus time in 248.246C.

Bvtes ner hour versus time



Figure B9-2 **-** Bytes per hour versus time in 248.246C.
Destination IP address index versus time in xx.248.246.0/24



Figure B9-3 - Destination IP address index versus time in 248.246C.

Destination port versus time



Figure B9-4 - Destination port versus time in 248.246C.

## Total packets to each IP address in xx.248.246.0/24



Figure B9-5 - Total packets to each IP address in 248.246C.





Figure B9-6 - Snort alerts versus time in 248.246C.

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