CZ3006/CE3005: Netcentric/Computer Networks

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# LAB 4: ANALZING NETWORK DATA LOG

You will be provided with the data file, in .csv format, in the working directory. Write the program to extract the following informations.

# EXERCISE 4A: TOP TALKERS AND LISTENERS

One of the most commonly used function in analyzing data log is finding out the IP address of the hosts that send out large amount of packet and hosts that receive large number of packets, usually know as TOP TALKERS and LISTENERS. Based on the IP address we can obtained the organization who owns the IP address.

List the TOP 5 TALKERS

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Rank | IP address | # of packets | Organisation |
| 1 | 13.107.4.50 | 5960 | Microsoft Corporation |
| 2 | 130.14.250.7 | 4034 | National Library of Medicine |
| 3 | 155.69.160.38 | 3866 | Nanyang Technological University |
| 4 | 171.67.77.19 | 2656 | Stanford University |
| 5 | 155.69.199.255 | 2587 | Nanyang Technological University |

TOP 5 LISTENERS

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Rank | IP address | # of packets | Organisation |
| 1 | 137.132.228.33 | 5908 | National University of Singapore |
| 2 | 192.122.131.36 | 4662 | A\*STAR |
| 3 | 202.51.247.133 | 4288 | Nusgp |
| 4 | 137.132.228.29 | 4022 | National University of Singapore |
| 5 | 103.37.198.100 | 3741 | A\*STAR |

# EXERCISE 4B: TRANSPORT PROTOCOL

Using the IP protocol type attribute, determine the percentage of TCP and UDP protocol

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Header value | Transport layer protocol | # of packets | % |
| 1 | 6 | TCP | 137707 | 77.698723 |
| 2 | 7 | UDP | 36852 | 20.793085 |
| 3 | Others | Others | 2673 | 1.508193 |

# EXERCISE 4C: APPLICATIONS PROTOCOL

Using the Destination IP port number determine the TOP 5 most frequently used application protocol.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Rank | Destination IP port number | # of packets | Service |
| 1 | 443 | 43208 | https |
| 2 | 80 | 11018 | http |
| 3 | 50930 | 2450 | Dynamic and/or Private Ports |
| 4 | 15000 | 2103 | hydap |
| 5 | 8160 | 1354 | patrol |

# EXERCISE 4D: TRAFFIC INTENSITY

The traffic intensity is an important parameter that a network engineer needs to monitor closely to determine if there is congestion. You would use the IP packet size to calculate the estimated total traffic over the monitored period of 15 seconds. (Assume the sampling rate is 1 in 2048)

Total calculated sampled traffic (MB):

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| --- | --- |
| Estimated Total Traffic taking into account the sampling rate ( MB) | 169.93475 MB |

# EXERCISE 4E: ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

Please described additional analysis of the data and how it is useful. Please use a separate sheet to submit your new graphs and observations. Your report for this exercise is limited to 2 pages. The answer template and the two page additional analysis are to be submitted to your e-learning drive.

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| Examples   * Visulisation using scatter graph of port and IP address to determine if a specific node been port scanned by another node. * Visualisation using network graph * Other methods     You must analyse and explain the graphs. Please do not be limited by the above examples. |

**Top 5 Communication Pairs**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Rank** | **Source Organization** | **Source IP** | **Destination Organization** | **Destination**  **IP** | **# of Packets** |
| 1 | National Library of Medicine | 130.14.250.7 | A\*STAR | 103.37.198.100 | 3739 |
| 2 | Stanford University | 171.67.77.19 | A\*STAR | 192.122.131.36 | 2656 |
| 3 | National Aeronautics and Space Administration | 129.99.230.54 | National University of Singapore | 137.132.22.74 | 2097 |
| 4 | National University of Singapore | 137.132.228.42 | The Scripps Research Institute | 137.131.17.212 | 1553 |
| 5 | Nanyang Technological University | 155.69.252.133 | M1 LIMITED | 138.75.242.36 | 1475 |

The table above shows that top 5 communication pairs, it can be observed that communication is done mainly between government and education organisations.

Graphical user interface, chart, line chart

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The graph above shows the traffic between the top 1 communication pair. It can be observed that traffic flow from 130.14.250.7 to 103.37.198.100 is higher that the opposite way.

**Visualisation of Communication between Hosts**

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The network graph above visualises the communication between the connection between the source IP and destination IP. We are able to observe that the traffic on the network are centred around a few locations.

The node with the most unique connections and highest degree of link has an IP address of “155.69.199.255” which belongs to NTU. Other highly communicated nodes include “123.136.64.7” and “155.69.160.78” which belongs to AStar and NTU respectively. All the nodes shows a common trend whereby they are educational and research institutions. Upon further analysis, it has been shown that the most common application that is used for communication is port 443 (https) which allows for secure data transfer. Port 443 was used in 56% of the connections and 62% of communication for NTU and Astar respectively.

**Analysis of Traffic In and Out**

The Ip address chosen for this analysis is ‘192.122.131.36’ which belongs to Astar. This IP address was picked as it is the node with the most number of data packets send and received. Analysis was performed by splitting 150 chunks into 15 second time frame and plotting the sum of the traffic at each chunk. A rolling mean window was used as a means of anomaly detection. In this example, I took the previous 35 values, calculated the mean, and added an upper/lower bound of +/- 2.5 standard deviations. Values that fall outside this range will be considered anomalous. It’s identified that during this anomalous period for this IP address, most of traffic arrived from 171.67.77.19 which belongs Sandford University thus Astar may want to consider prioritising this network

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# EXERCISE 4F: SOFTWARE CODE

Please attach a softcopy of your code to the e-learning drive.

Please refer to Ng Chi Hui.ipynb for the code