



Identifying Hosts: DHCP, NetBIOS & Kerberos

- An analyst should know how to identify hosts on the network apart from IP to MAC address match.
- When investigating a compromise of malware, an analyst should know how to detect them on the network.
- There are three different protocols that can be used in Host and User identification:
 - a. Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) traffic
 - b. NetBIOS traffic
 - c. Kerberos traffic

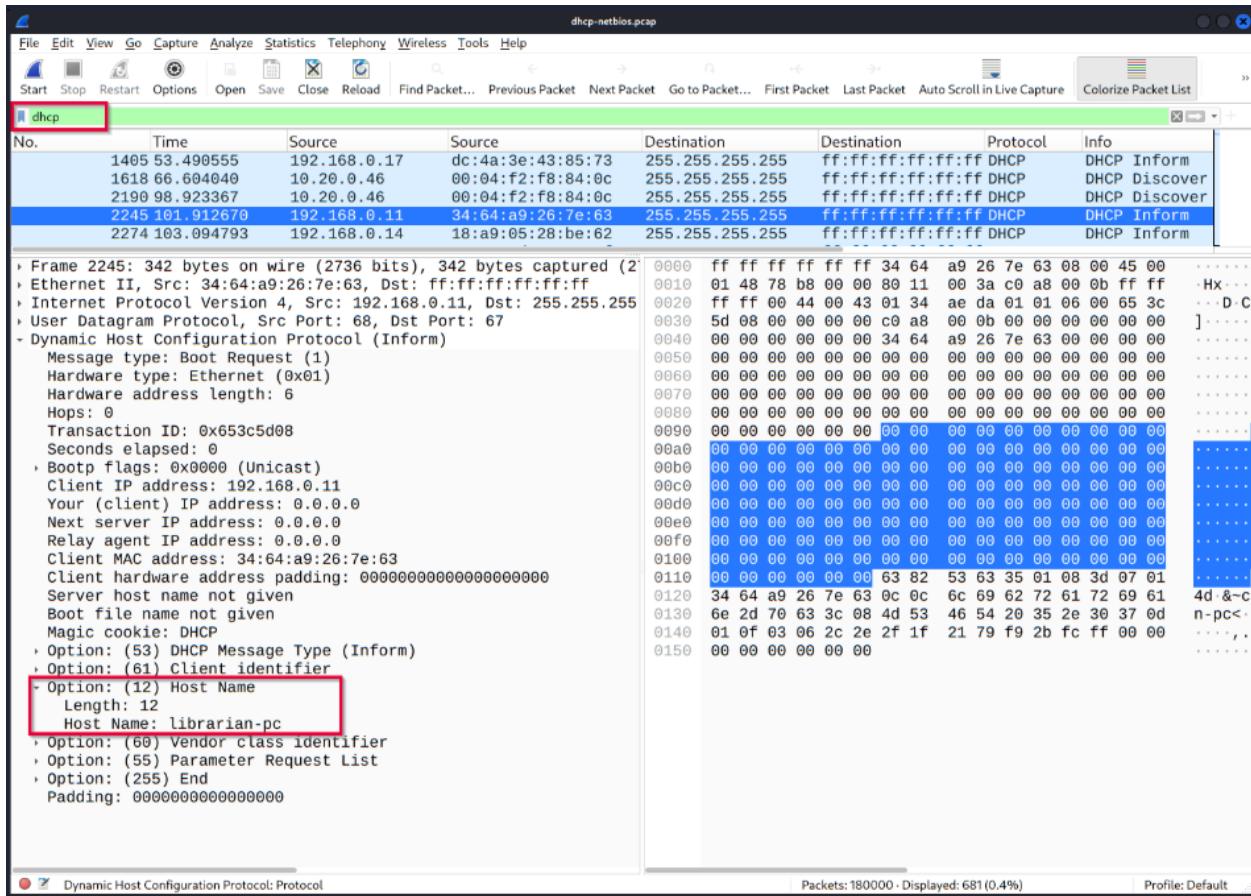
DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol)

- This is responsible for managing automatic IP addresses and allowing devices to join a network and receive configuration information.

DHCP investigation in a nutshell:

Notes	Wireshark Filter
Global search.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <code>dhcporbootp</code>
Filtering the proper DHCP packet options is vital to finding an event of interest.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "DHCP Request" packets contain the hostname information• "DHCP ACK" packets represent the accepted requests• "DHCP NAK" packets represent denied requests
Due to the nature of the protocol, only "Option 53" (request type) has	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Request: <code>dhcp.option.dhcp == 3</code>• ACK: <code>dhcp.option.dhcp == 5</code>• NAK: <code>dhcp.option.dhcp == 6</code>

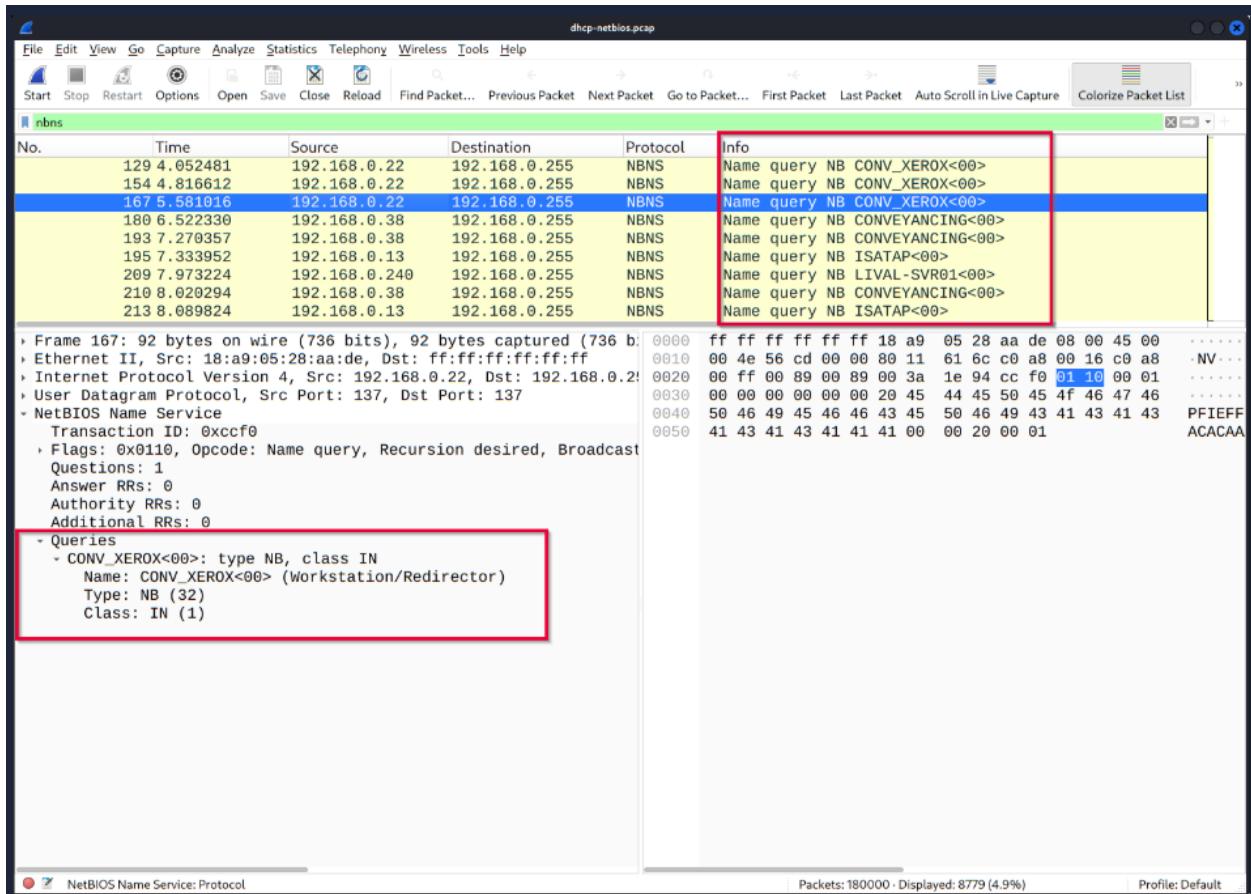
<p>predefined static values. You should filter the packet type first, and then you can filter the rest of the options by "applying as column" or use the advanced filters like "contains" and "matches".</p>	
<p>"DHCP Request"options for grabbing the low-hanging fruits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 12:Hostname. • Option 50:Requested IP address. • Option 51:Requested IP lease time. • Option 61:Client's MAC address. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>dhcp.option.hostname contains "keyword"</code>
<p>"DHCP ACK"options for grabbing the low-hanging fruits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 15:Domain name. • Option 51:Assigned IP lease time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>dhcp.option.domain_name contains "keyword"</code>
<p>"DHCP NAK"options for grabbing the low-hanging fruits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 56:Message (rejection details/reason). 	<p>As the message could be unique according to the case/situation, It is suggested to read the message instead of filtering it. Thus, the analyst could create a more reliable hypothesis/result by understanding the event circumstances.</p>



NetBIOS (NBNS) Analysis

- Is responsible for allowing applications on different host to communicate with each other

Notes	Wireshark Filter
<p>Global search.</p> <p>"NBNS" options for grabbing the low-hanging fruits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Queries: Query details. • Query details could contain "name, Time to live (TTL) and IP address details" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nbns • nbns.name contains "keyword"



Kerberos Analysis

- This is an authentication service for Microsoft Windows domains.
- Authenticate service request between two or more computers over the untrusted network

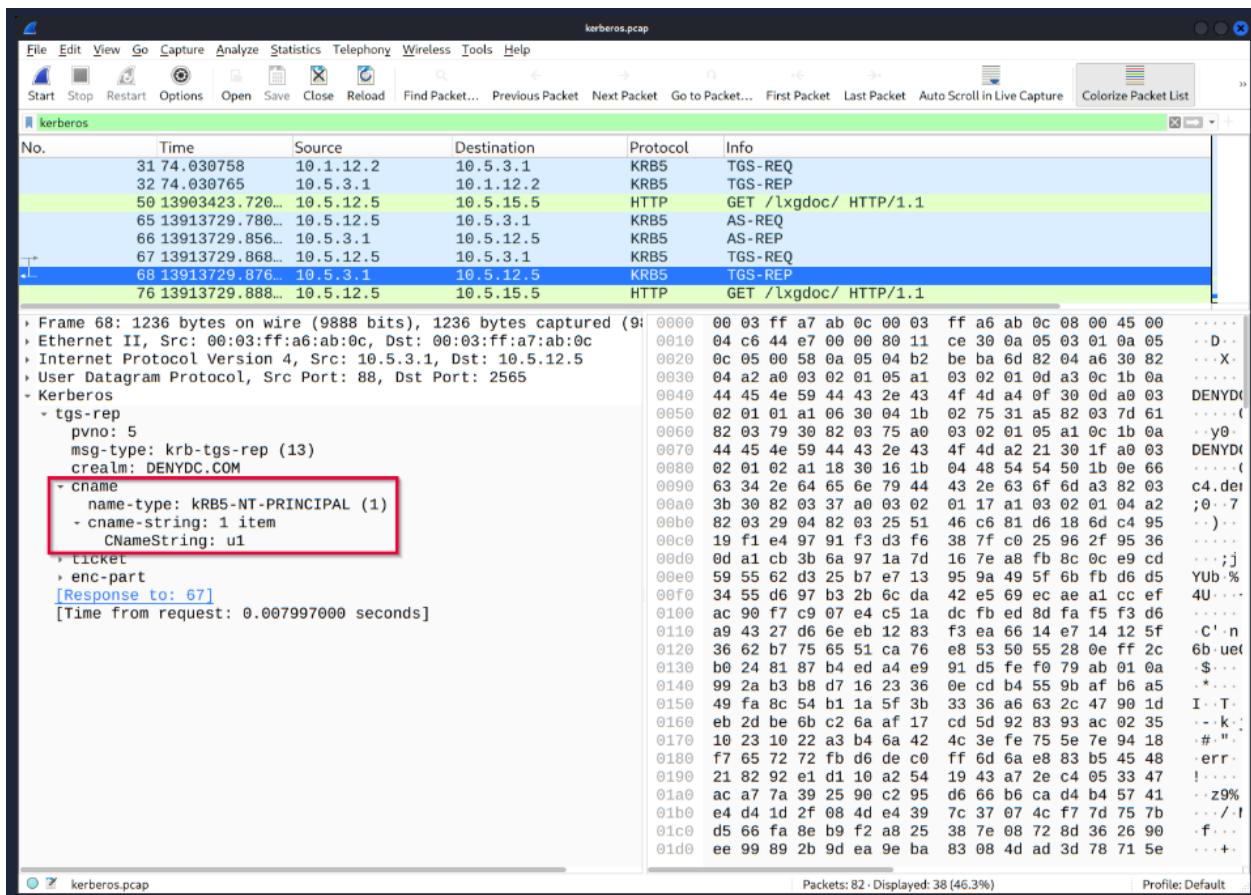
Notes	Wireshark Filter
<p>Global search.</p> <p>User account search:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CNameString: The username. <p>Note: Some packets could provide hostname information in this field. To avoid this confusion, filter the "\$" value. The values end with "\$" are hostnames, and the ones without it are user names.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kerberos <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kerberos.CNameString contains "keyword" • kerberos.CNameString and !(kerberos.CNameString contains "\$")

"Kerberos" options for grabbing the low-hanging fruits:

- **pvno**:Protocol version.
- **realm**:Domain name for the generated ticket.
- **sname**:Service and domain name for the generated ticket.
- **addresses**:Client IP address and NetBIOS name.

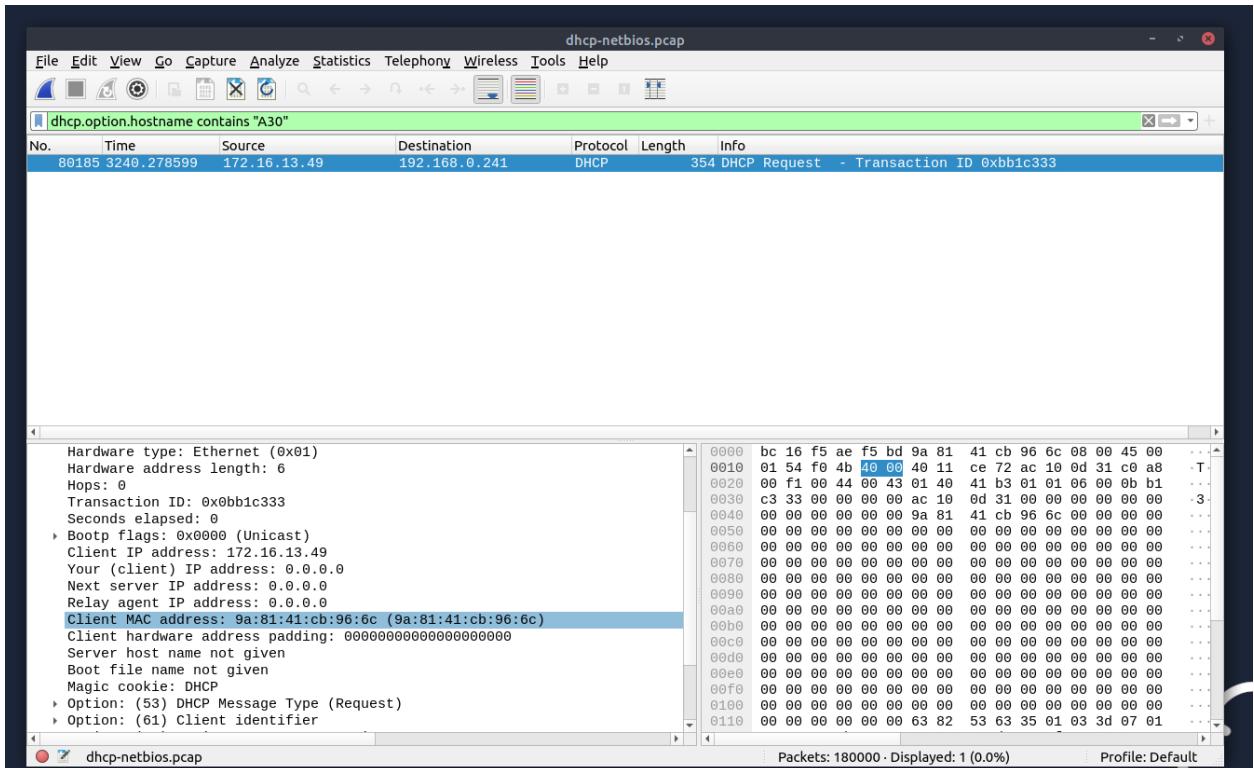
Note: the "addresses" information is only available in request packets.

- `kerberos.pvno == 5`
- `kerberos.realm contains ".org"`
- `kerberos.SNameString == "krbtg"`



1. What is the MAC address of the host “Galaxy A30”?

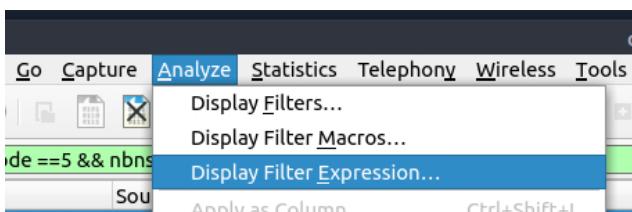
- To find the MAC address of the host “Galaxy A30”, we will need to use a filter that filters out the host.
- The filter we will use is **dhcp.option.hostname contains “A30”** <--- We are telling Wireshark to look for a hostname that contains A30 and the results we get are shown below:



Answer: 9a:81:41:cb:96:6c

2. How many NetBIOS registration requests does the “LIVALJM” workstation have?

- We must use the Display Filter Expression to create a filter that isolate Name Registration traffic



Field Name

- ▶ DIAMETER · Diameter Protocol
- ▶ ISAKMP · Internet Security Association and Key Mana...
- ▶ NBNS · NetBIOS Name Service
 - nbns.addr · Addr
 - nbns.class · Class
 - nbns.count.add_rr · Additional RRs
 - nbns.count.answers · Answer RRs
 - nbns.count.auth_rr · Authority RRs
 - nbns.count.queries · Questions
 - nbns.data · Data
 - nbns.data_length · Data length
 - nbns.flags · Flags
 - nbns.flags.authoritative · Authoritative
 - nbns.flags.broadcast · Broadcast
 - nbns.flags.opcode · Opcode**
 - nbns.flags.rcode · Reply code
 - nbns.flags.recavail · Recursion available
 - nbns.flags.recdesired · Recursion desired
 - nbns.flags.response · Response
 - nbns.flags.truncated · Truncated
 - nbns.id · Transaction ID
 - nbns.incomplete_entry · incomplete entry
 - nbns.jumpers · Jumpers
 - nbns.max_num_pending_sessions · Max number o...
 - nbns.max_total_sessions_possible · Max total ses...
 - nbns.name · Name
 - nbns.name_flags · Name flags
 - nbns.name_flags.act · Name is active
 - nbns.name_flags.cnf · Name is in conflict
 - nbns.name_flags.drg · Name is being deregistered
 - nbns.name_flags.group · Name type
 - nbns.name_flags.ont · ONT
 - nbns.name_flags.prm · Permanent node name
 - nbns.nb_flags · Name flags
 - nbns.nb_flags.group · Name type
 - nbns.nb_flags.ont · ONT

Relation

- is present
- ==**
- !=
- >
- <
- >=
- <=
- in

Value (Unsigned integer, 2 bytes)

Predefined Values

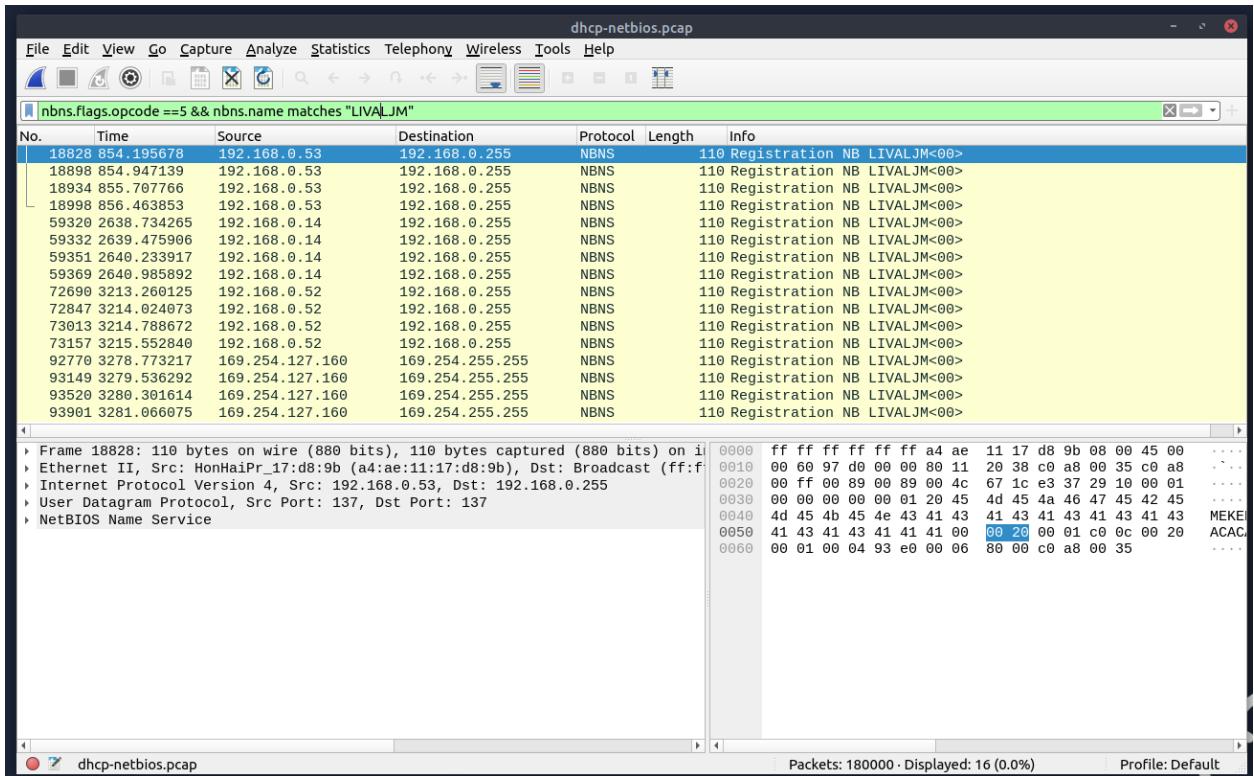
- Name query
- Registration**
- Release
- Wait for acknowledgment
- Refresh
- Refresh (alternate opcode)
- Multi-homed registration

Range (offset:length)

Search: nbns

nbns.flags.opcode == 5

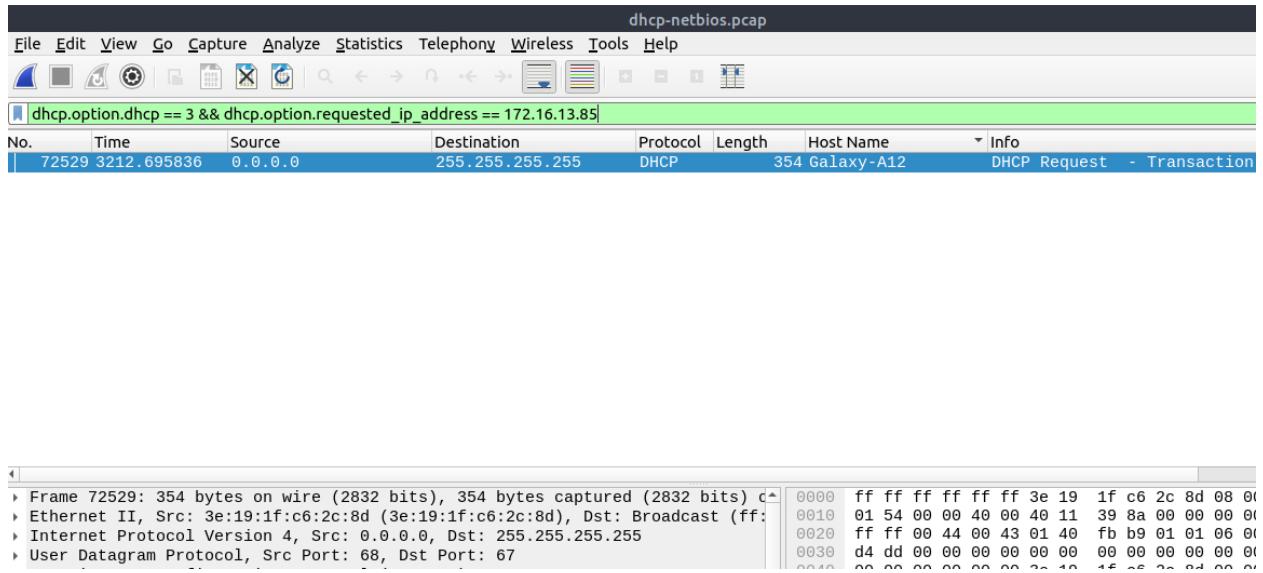
- This requires two filters
- The first filter will be **nbns.flags.opcode == 5** <--- tell Wireshark to isolate traffic involving name registration
- The second filter will be **nbns.name matches “LIVALJM”** <--- this tells Wireshark to look for the name associated with LIVALJM
- **nbns.flags.opcode == 5 && nbns.name matches “LIVALJM”**



Answer: 16

3. Which host requested the IP address “172.16.13.85”?

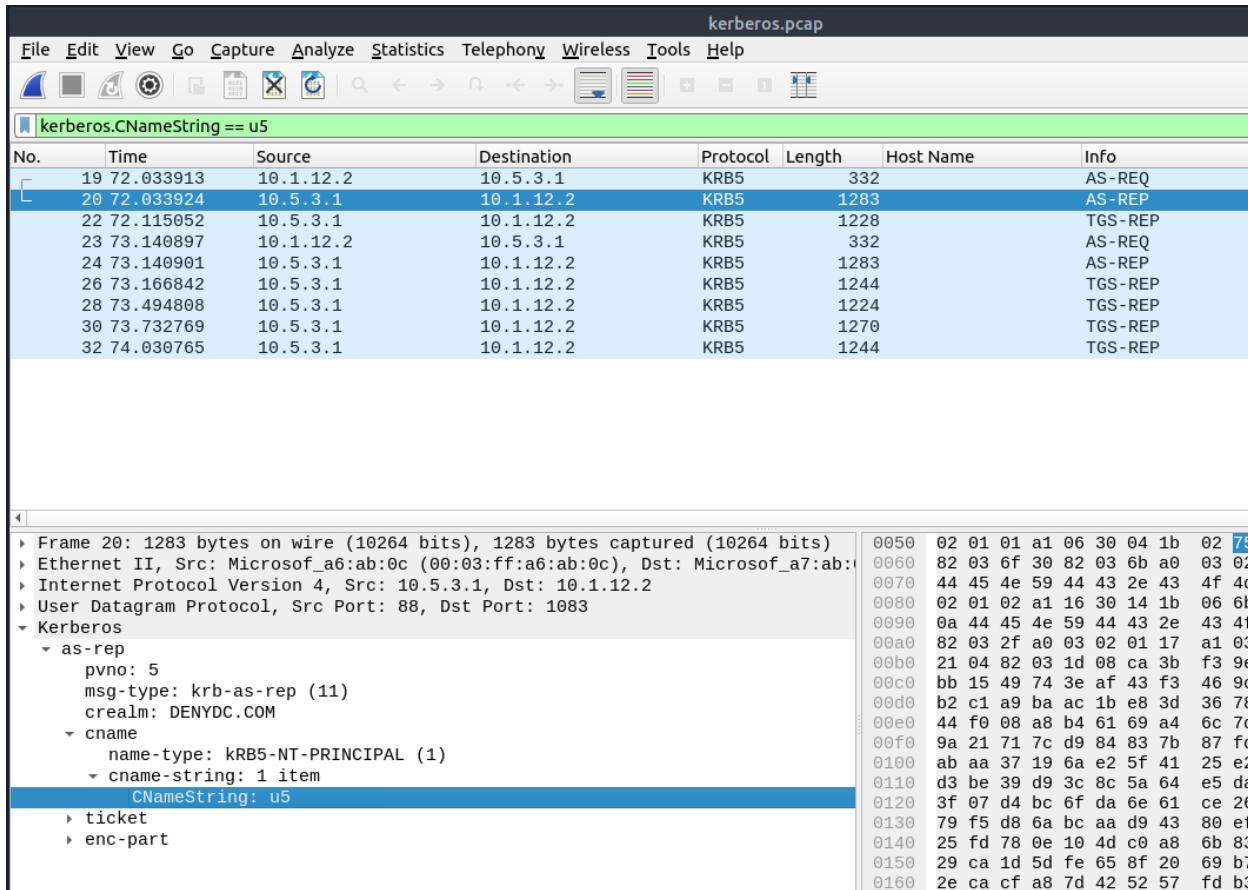
- This also requires two filters
- The first filter is `dhcp.option.dhcp == 3` <--- telling Wireshark to look for request traffic in the network
- The second filter is `dhcp.option.requested_ip_address == 172.16.13.85` <--- this is filtering traffic that is associated with the IP address
- `dhcp.option.dhcp == 3 && dhcp.option.requested_ip_address == 172.16.13.85`



Answer: Galaxy-A12

4. What is the IP address of the user “u5”? (defang the IP address)

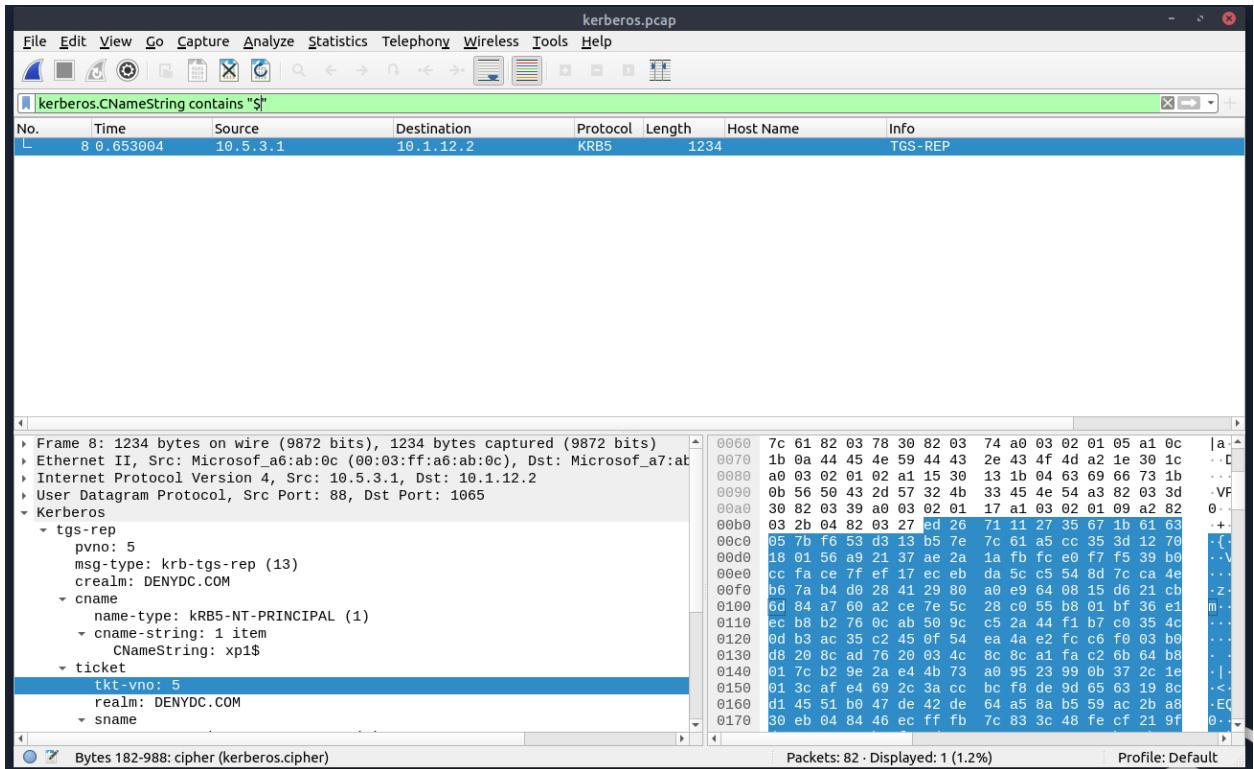
- Since we have the username, we can create a Kerberos filter that is associated with the username “u5”
- We will use the filter `kerberos.CNamestring == u5` <--- filtering traffic that only have a username of “u5”



Answer: 10[.]1[.]12[.]2

5. What is the hostname of the available host in the Kerberos packets?

- We can use the same filter but instead of “== u5” we can put “contains “\$” ”
- In a Windows network, the “\$” signifies as a host name
- **kerberos.CNameString contains “\$”**



Answer: xp1\$