- 1. (a) I am investigating address 1CeA899xpo3Fe6DQwZwEkd6vQfRHoLuCJD.
 - (b) The address was in use from July July 2nd 2014 to July 13th 2014.
 - (c) There appear to have been 78 victims that paid bitcoin to this address.
 - (d) The majority of the payments seem to be amounts close to \$750 or \$1000.
 - (e) His change address seems to be: 1L7SLmazbbcy614zsDSLwz4bxz1nnJvDeV as each transaction sends change to this address. It also seems that their operational security was lacking as they used this address for many transactions. This address was also more likely than not used by someone low in the organization who was in charge of receiving money from the ransomists.
 - (f) This address seems to differ in that there were a large volume of transactions made through this address. It also seems to differ in that the amount of \$750 is nonstandard as opposed to the \$500 usual amount.
- 2. (a) This allowed for analysis of the most recent addresses being used merchants in dark markets. If they didn't, they would have difficulty finding recent addresses to analyze.
 - (b) Depending on the items they bought, there is the trivial implication that they may have bought illegal goods. If they did not, there is still the implication of inadvertedly helping to finance a criminal operation. As we learned in class, any transactions with a black market merchant would be financing a criminal enterprise. This only gets worse as the authors had explicit knowledge that they were black market merchants.
- 3. One can make a mult-sig transaction easy with the proper locking and unlocking script. The simplest way to do this would be to duplicate the standard pay-to-pubkey-hash by essentially having two copies of it in the locking script, one for the first address and one for the second address. As a result, only each public key and each signature is necessary for the unlocking script. Since each party can only generate their own signature, this guarantees that both parties agree. Also, since making the signature public does not actually reveal any secret informmation, this is a safe transaction. Each party would just need to agree on the entirety of the transaction then generate their signatures and then the outputs can be spent. Neither can change the transaction at this point without knowledge of the other either as this would require regenerating the signatures.
- 4. Many users now will only use an address once due to the popularity of HD wallets. As a result, this heuristic is not as strong because all of the public keys in the outputs have a fair chance to just be used for the first time. Since this heuristic relies on just one of the public keys being used for the first time (to determine the one-time change address), it will fail.
- 5. The anonymity set is of size 3.
- 6. The operation of using two forward addresses increases anonymity by quite a bit. This is because with two forward addresses you now need to check all possible sums of outputs to figure out to which addresses the coins now belong. In other words, you now know that a total of 5-6% + .001 (because two forwarding addresses) is distributed between two addresses. As a result, (assuming no time delay), one must then sum all possible pairs of outputs (that are less than the total being looked for) in order to find the anonymity set. This process is of $\Theta(n^2)$ complexity, where n it is the number of transactions in a block, because there are roughly n^2 possible pairs in that block.

7. These are the interesting receiving addresses for the first 8 suspect addresses:

12BSMxWi1jnKuAAPt3CvcgN9kywAJcakk9

 $16 KnVF 5hQNrR3KZpnBqpZP96 iCsWrUmEvP\ (MtGoxAndOthers)$

 $124 k8 a HqRRA1 xrT3 cszwBXgMwRyDAr1 eM1 \; (Local Bit coins.com)$

14eWJSsLdvWAaAvrzyAFg12iG5BpeLAmFk (LocalBitcoins.com)

1AGALRiJ7ngETX54H9AQe7b8SPN15oUFKs (LocalBitcoins.com)

1EEQnzjPZKf35ktuD8kX73wSPd3iS7zyR8 (LocalBitcoins.com)

1GR4Mk93KzMxEukxJkJhYkszJkJmpVmXcE (LocalBitcoins.com)

1Ge5Eiif3Wm68qMgLu7K5Hj3Ki8E1grgde (LocalBitcoins.com)

1GzZJcj5NYzDmVZXoQe5v4Kx33im1gTZvw (LocalBitcoins.com)

1J6Y2SkTfJmFq8bUwm9ivsy2H83iZG9Lkg (LocalBitcoins.com)

1KNnpVRKCe45xew3b4EZmb2TzPmD7B9kYN (LocalBitcoins.com)

1PYLNM5a6rWKY5uJ8WN2kcj9GAo7UcEaBc (SilkRoad2Market)

13PvfcPyE6v67sg64UfcACfWXz9ho5v6Vz (Cex.io)

158PAkokTP2cD2wKCGrjYZyEYEZsa9vDLp (Cex.io)

 $163 PgZ Epb7 Q7 ov Uua 3xzRAQX dHfs 4QSy7P \ (Cex.io)$

1836GjtpUUEpPn7W4kmEAtwL1ye7XURPzB (Cex.io)

19gRMbMrtm2tUAqNWHg7WhFsavEa6C4XZ2 (Cex.io)

1B5mRgB8eHSFJwQNvtZa7wGEjdMgmZW9ox (Cex.io)

1DpRjMXRoQJjrpE24f1JZ5Lkbm2jxR2S1H (Cex.io)

1JWsb9nK6z7sZ6VXC17uKCpZDpcEib5NaH (Cex.io)

1LPKPAs5y3yQJVL4GCVDnvci3NKbgrhEi5 (Cex.io)

1NWvXdR7VkLen9Mc5TvLczfUjpYwRQCish (Cex.io)

1PNfdAKFEX38ur8wD2FP63BBCcedBQyeR9 (Cex.io)

133GZ124H3fLdhwjCvPwXigQiSoracR3Ap

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1FUXg8M3FwyfQXDiLQnQFM3ixNrYgJvJ9m (SilkRoad2Market)

1GZfwRx9VMeRC3PsLbzmJdFcn61BV12m6c (AgoraMarket)

1KyQTChKVS2ad3ypoUJm5We3eomxUQ7KJT (LocalBitcoins.com)

1Mb9ctaMPXC5SvAaTaMWN27turkQoUSiVN (SilkRoad2Market)

1NCy4ijew8R7U6eSvjfxUy6bPgpbJ9yXw8 (LocalBitcoins.com)

1HLs4LKbVZhgCFtAXnJYiKDtLqUDZpEm4t (LocalBitcoins.com)

13 Be Az A4 mhw DYJE whq Nd 2 Ls Unuhu Vq Kvw 8

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1DdgPYbEqypHA2hbmaU1sNntthPeCH9kB2 (Betcoin.ag-old)

1Fi2mmT8j72TWkq6vu9wq2D7NqPGwn9cHK (LocalBitcoins.com)

1MdSNJFcJedtx56MF6g3TVBbB7j1wj8z5z (EvolutionMarket)

1BwFKRcTk3D7SznBAs5v6RFjZCV4gt7Q6j (CoinCafe.com)

13Kqgurx7eQg3G29NwV7ouJ8UHJRSUwwAe

1DTmn1TJXqjR3azLxm66Mvt8exyYpk2jis (BTC-e.com)

1Bj8sWTXdKg8LFJz8144NShPkxEtuQLGzb (VaultOfSatoshi.com)

1DTmn1TJXqjR3azLxm66Mvt8exyYpk2jis (BTC-e.com)

14bD9RgtJeKxdJMm5SRbmzFcsk8azTheR9

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1FRtvFuwn736RmCfnroE3NmtWDR8jmjMZz (BTC-e.com-old)

14mRct4QZmqTcnErWGiLmbAAKpUjZ7fd8N

1Q96MDPwVEAUDek4hKYtXgRyTxygdESWbA (MtGoxAndOthers)

14TCv5MKcyYCM3qij36x8xrKvKHHY1NXmq

16WNx8DbM2fGnKCHAif4Pqsm7oPwKyJEp1 (BTC-e.com)

1MAizeQjJLdVxiqMKWd7Q6qTEJheEzFZHQ (BTC-e.com)

1EMRphfqopNoSskhwTJvUvpcNtR8qTxiqi (LocalBitcoins.com)

1JVpD9JcgqoCHDwTPuXAYZWey9TGNkcK25 (LocalBitcoins.com)

1MjkcVUiAiVjdiQ9PivEipdK9TgLGjmYNs (LocalBitcoins.com)

1NHqswAAg4wWLiJixNzTcSdwF2xYfUuy6q (LocalBitcoins.com)

13s91j3nW14ZoiphA5QsGvkWJLCXs5obPm (LocalBitcoins.com)

17SVxLYLKyXaGF4M6MUsoCYtyF2oxtAe3m (LocalBitcoins.com)

1NQQsTVLNUUqSz36Bw1mx3tyf4jdyxS5mx (LocalBitcoins.com)

14ytdF3C9VRbttMfh9J56yR9ZWqfmFbBWN

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

8. These are all the repeated addresses:

16N3jvnF7UhRh74TMmtwxpLX6zPQKPbEbh

1QDXckhUmGVWn1u4ZstR4G4oKuXMJREtzC

1BwFKRcTk3D7SznBAs5v6RFjZCV4gt7Q6j

1M2hTJ96wWUhQJkiueuNMuVK8mhZR5qK2J

1HHzawQkvdUZfKxafbcsag9P38fbBxJCMf

1MZiE15dgxm4pWB8cWNXTj6RXXo7gEADgH

1JgT2UWr8Hmv9wqh5GyEeyDEYvAh1NLixS

1FRtvFuwn736RmCfnroE3NmtWDR8jmjMZz

12yj6kGQJFjzD17x7S5pfU4VqgF2e8mugu

1GpAaw1AboeN2x5HuBUR9A2S3z8HcfPVdG 1KnJsjfeKNcoLBL35WjvQffg5P81jYgeT3 1LkrYepmd4uUSFUzS2WzeZ5UwxE6siRuaX 18dwCxqqmya2ckWjCgTYReYyRL6dZF6pzL 19jFVCSRbhRPwqr4EnMQdLx2cHHra5htgr 15hePWL4CUxESNz1R7d9wvTieypzw9V56M 1HYDwtwtotSedCDCHDcgbRks2a7yPcicwd 1G541ENwQBqG3WZgvYtVCojVgdHFpJ8RXs 17eFLK9mS2AmAUN51be5rtAXUUkPUgkTeH 1L65L3UKmrzBPJ8DWcVCfGvUxCzEgtAABe 17b9YEqekrwYQUstDBDJuvyiWQWztauw3g 16avbtwiq9RwUrDDwBGcFRq3rxzJZGQs3E 12yYf7d1LDyTbngBRQx1mFX7zMV8hoYgmN 1GNpgCLNy4v4fWRJR1YeEJKZDjw3LeqgDU 13Kqgurx7eQg3G29NwV7ouJ8UHJRSUwwAe 1DTmn1TJXqjR3azLxm66Mvt8exyYpk2jis 18UbFf3K7L5dV65HxpRvspEpV6WhYYufne 1Q7VApg98W8mtAFdhJc7EPFCbHqcskLKAB 13zbyWuRSBskZMQFXYve7tTKLgmNzYXfZ6 1K81FeS3TH7DkgrMECtVDwXruRiXPXa6dZ 1L7SLmazbbcy614zsDSLwz4bxz1nnJvDeV 12iYaS1psNH97xVsdYDwZXZAiwSouJtXT3 1Prm9HxrkLcdSyopRDCLzUWJcmkCxQsrkB 1GfdxeXPweUQFJfExcGNLfTojE2oAGruYW 1AgKSAPYC687Sdf31hnuJKDAXQAKZfM2aa 18R1JX2pM4yS2baCERARHQEQg7uX1dezrp13RhTuFDfAw874nfCHJqg1uPWbHugCRVX3 1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa 1BcL7KKBrg1BbGdNQ5QkaaeJ8MFaVdF52h 1NkWhihzgGTuQbvzv5dm7t2BPYRP9pZik7 1Pa7ZkA9JHzwp8FazU4YBVSiYFPP3majgA 1 CmWF4mYoaBWyQ8u3vDknrPHEFbYQBmuUK1M7xviZRKpvHcmVRkqmKJwZVmcV5usRv1b 1EHmhGfxTA4xNRdtmCCADjAc1raAhoaCiX 1LPJ43XTMNRbuFn45obhnHkSsgSy1NyryH 1 Q 9 B 6 g 3 c Q 2 q r Y R N y Y Q b S r s R R m z Q r 7 f M W Q d1S1gh7dmsqPCNe7weCeTwRvrsvB7Hgnbj 1CeA899xpo3Fe6DQwZwEkd6vQfRHoLuCJD 1J6Y2SkTfJmFq8bUwm9ivsy2H83iZG9Lkg

9. These are the addresses with the labels from walletexplorer added as well as sorting in ascending order:

12yYf7d1LDyTbngBRQx1mFX7zMV8hoYgmN 1Prm9HxrkLcdSyopRDCLzUWJcmkCxQsrkB 1K81FeS3TH7DkqrMECtVDwXruRiXPXa6dZ 1M7xviZRKpyHcmVRkqmKJwZVmcV5usRv1b 13RhTuFDfAw874nfCHJqg1uPWbHugCRVX3

17b9YEqekrwYQUstDBDJuvyiWQWztauw3g

1 Lkr Yepmd 4u USF UzS 2W zeZ 5 UwxE 6 siRuaX

1S1gh7dmsqPCNe7weCeTwRvrsvB7Hgnbj

1BcL7KKBrg1BbGdNQ5QkaaeJ8MFaVdF52h

1 M2hTJ96wWUhQJkiueuNMuVK8mhZR5qK2J

1MZiE15dgxm4pWB8cWNXTj6RXXo7gEADgH

1 GpAaw1AboeN2x5 HuBUR9A2S3z8 HcfPVdG

1GfdxeXPweUQFJfExcGNLfTojE2oAGruYW

15hePWL4CUxESNz1R7d9wvTieypzw9V56M

18dwCxqqmya2ckWjCgTYReYyRL6dZF6pzL

1NkWhihzgGTuQbvzv5dm7t2BPYRP9pZik7

12iYaS1psNH97xVsdYDwZXZAiwSouJtXT3 (MtGoxAndOthers)

 $1 \\ HHzawQkvdUZfKxafbcsag9P38fbBxJCMf~(MtGoxAndOthers)$

1Q7VApg98W8mtAFdhJc7EPFCbHqcskLKAB (MtGoxAndOthers)

19jFVCSRbhRPwqr4EnMQdLx2cHHra5htgr

1L65L3UKmrzBPJ8DWcVCfGvUxCzEgtAABe

18R1JX2pM4yS2baCERARHQEQg7uX1dezrp

1KnJsjfeKNcoLBL35WjvQffg5P81jYgeT3 (Coin.mx)

1QDXckhUmGVWn1u4ZstR4G4oKuXMJREtzC (MtGoxAndOthers)

12yj6kGQJFjzD17x7S5pfU4VqgF2e8mugu

18UbFf3K7L5dV65HxpRvspEpV6WhYYufne

1DTmn1TJXqjR3azLxm66Mvt8exyYpk2jis (BTC-e.com)

13Kqgurx7eQg3G29NwV7ouJ8UHJRSUwwAe

13zbyWuRSBskZMQFXYve7tTKLgmNzYXfZ6

1BwFKRcTk3D7SznBAs5v6RFjZCV4gt7Q6j (CoinCafe.com)

1JgT2UWr8Hmv9wqh5GyEeyDEYvAh1NLixS

17eFLK9mS2AmAUN51be5rtAXUUkPUgkTeH (MtGoxAndOthers)

1Pa7ZkA9JHzwp8FazU4YBVSiYFPP3majgA

1GNpgCLNy4v4fWRJR1YeEJKZDjw3LeqgDU

1EHmhGfxTA4xNRdtmCCADjAc1raAhoaCiX

1G541ENwQBqG3WZgvYtVCojVgdHFpJ8RXs

1CmWF4mYoaBWyQ8u3vDknrPHEFbYQBmuUK (BTC-e.com)

16avbtwiq9RwUrDDwBGcFRq3rxzJZGQs3E

1FRtvFuwn736RmCfnroE3NmtWDR8jmjMZz (BTC-e.com-old)

1LPJ43XTMNRbuFn45obhnHkSsgSy1NyryH

16N3jvnF7UhRh74TMmtwxpLX6zPQKPbEbh

1NkjXACtWM358virDfhbE8rZsWWgrkVhsa (BTC-e.com)

1J6Y2SkTfJmFq8bUwm9ivsy2H83iZG9Lkg (LocalBitcoins.com)

1HYDwtwtotSedCDCHDcgbRks2a7yPcicwd

1L7SLmazbbcy 614zsDSLwz4bxz1nnJvDeV

1Q9B6g3cQ2qrYRNyYQbSrsRRmzQr7fMWQd

1CeA899xpo3Fe6DQwZwEkd6vQfRHoLuCJD

1AgKSAPYC687Sdf31hnuJKDAXQAKZfM2aa

10. I chose to analyze the 9 infamous bitcoin addresses.

Here is the code output from number 9:

1HB5XMLmzFVj8ALj6mfBsbifRoD4miY36v

1HVpyjYEPwQhvRQ3dL8tGe9kiydti616sX (SatoshiDice.com-original)

 $1 \\ JwSSubhmg6 \\ iPtRjtyqhUYYH7 \\ bZg3 \\ Lfy1 \\ T$

1 EBHA1 ckUWzNKN7 BMfDwGTx6 GKEbADUozX

1HDPXVhXLb445n54w5jcDXby9R4FGXPg5M

1L2JsXHPMYuAa9ugvHGLwkdstCPUDemNCf

1ECKhpehB1xvSKfNKmRfwfERnHLXpr5C4g

1GBwk2YJMDFqSVhTKygH8zUwV7jdoJhHHH (MtGoxAndOthers)

1M8s2S5bgAzSSzVTeL7zruvMPLvzSkEAuv

128RRjnuwyEWGGa2RDc8d9f2H55jyuSrfJ

112 z KwLt2 dJ6 QaD1 DVP fcWXN fZyodmNKBz

13fnb6d952DxtcKVsyHWXWo2SLwhqpeXf1

1DMB2X4jWSKp4DX1pRSWvcLbk4twGczSk2

1DMB2X6VwiwMtW2cdNVrftvTC6F23hDGLh

13fci5FCHhe62f5EbMJ9PFCV6YdFmUiXzX

112Pv7s2Jju3XqZp1KYRBAGNnDMDe9xwXa

113 Vp8qBkn71yxVDwh9mCfyu88N9p3DGeY

13 g5 i Ewj Yx LUe Lb Edna HUN 18 z Ew 2 grh 68 e

 $113 \\ XgE joczwPd5 \\ QSP qdrYREYF9FT9 \\ LJms \\ U$

113ucLNujusPPNdiTobbMcW5LzTwvaybbW

113T6qrLMF1bviCQogQnF2SqxtTjgSeHdx

1DMB2XAmk6LcCH1DcExZdT1VaUqQtmB8kJ

1 DMB2XV7tRtpXv784RGyow6LuPSH2wF6h6

 $1 \\DMB2 \\Xat \\ANEk Peye Usa \\CCKt \\3cEg \\4ybrb \\AC$

1133 y ck 69 X4 z zt 1 WqHW jeV ibm 67 RBPYNm

13fhSUxix2GZnunEK8wpVwDAbRWqxtrCZk

112 LHUhQQYLMYHiBx2BDHF4cbZ5dePrU5E

1 DMB2XjtkaSJD35EM7zxkmBc8iXRPQyYHm

11433PPQfdmZ6GgHzvYw5WqGVFGxQzcU7Y

113 eo JLC nbBQhc3VWRBXy2WWi7DVR9ubMr

113WUeZNaKqsP8Pue2UjDWxQZbCHYh9Mvv

1F1tAaz5x1HUXrCNLbtMDqcw6o5GNn4xqX

157fRrqAKrDyGHr1Bx3yDxeMv8Rh45aUet