

## Problem #1 : Using Tor

### 1.1 Preliminaries

1. What is your public IP address?

Public IP address: **128.237.200.1**

Result of whois:

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NetRange:      128.237.0.0 - 128.237.255.255
CIDR:          128.237.0.0/16
NetName:       CMU-NET-128-237
NetHandle:     NET-128-237-0-0-1
Parent:        NET128 (NET-128-0-0-0-0)
NetType:       Direct Assignment
OriginAS:      AS9
Organization:  Carnegie Mellon University (CARNEG-Z)
RegDate:       1987-05-06
Updated:       2012-04-02
Ref:           http://whois.arin.net/rest/net/NET-128-237-0-0-1
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Complete output available in **shis\_hw4/whois.txt**

2. Display all Tor circuits your machine currently uses, as specified by the list of three Tor relays.

Script available in **shis\_hw4/circuits.py**

It assumes that **tor** is installed and already launched tor with **ControlPort: 9151**

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Circuit 1 (GENERAL)
|- Nickname: IP, country, bandwidth
|----- fingerprint
|- DanaScully: 213.246.56.62, fr, 10500
|----- 5158B6A386EECCA74F1AFA11993F0E70B329D66
|- bmwanon3: 176.9.1.211, de, 17100
|----- D123C0F8F562804693C47D68C61786023B295E98
|- PsychoOnion3: 89.187.142.208, cz, 31400
+----- 64186650FFE4469EBBE52B644AE543864D32F43C

Circuit 2 (GENERAL)
|- Nickname: IP, country, bandwidth
|----- fingerprint
|- DanaScully: 213.246.56.62, fr, 10500
|----- 5158B6A386EECCA74F1AFA11993F0E70B329D66
|- 0011: 89.163.128.11, de, 12700
|----- FE757A32AE8B7CEB0AC45392411299166586C8C6
|- CalyxInstitute12: 162.247.72.199, us, 6030
+----- B34CC9056250847D1980F08285B01CF0B718C0B6

Circuit 3 (GENERAL)
|- Nickname: IP, country, bandwidth
|----- fingerprint
|- DanaScully: 213.246.56.62, fr, 10500
|----- 5158B6A386EECCA74F1AFA11993F0E70B329D66
|- sputnik: 188.40.128.246, de, 16800
|----- AD19490C7DBB26D3A68EFC824F67E69B0A96E601
|- epow@tornode: 146.0.32.144, de, 110000
+----- 35E8B344F661F4F2E68B17648F35798B44672D7E

Circuit 4 (GENERAL)
|- Nickname: IP, country, bandwidth
|----- fingerprint
|- DanaScully: 213.246.56.62, fr, 10500
|----- 5158B6A386EECCA74F1AFA11993F0E70B329D66
|- torfr01: 195.154.128.151, fr, 4680
|----- 4D5FAA22C650CE72CA43A078C40A91ED61461F36
|- Unnamed: 192.42.116.161, nl, 63300
+----- C804BE8FB1C7C42D43C4A5E2039E77AA0FF3A8B4
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Figure 1: Current Circuits

## 1.2 Measuring latencies

1. Measures the difference between response times with or without going over Tor.

Script available in **shis\_hw4/measure\_latency.py**

It assumes that **tor** is installed and already launched with **SocksPort: 9150, ControlPort: 9151**

It assumes that **PycURL** module is installed.

Below is the list of supported argument, when running without arguments, the script call url provided in the assignment, and retry 10 times.

Use “-u” to set the url to connect

Use “-r” to set number of retries

2. Give an estimate figure of how much overhead in latency Tor generates on a given connection. Run the above experiment 10 times, changing Tor identities (and thus, circuits) but connecting to the same website for each of the 10 runs, and provide a table summarizing the results.

Test URL: [https://stem.torproject.org/tutorials/to\\_russia\\_with\\_love.html](https://stem.torproject.org/tutorials/to_russia_with_love.html)

n	direct	tor	difference	abs diff	rank
1	1.03	0.28	0.75	0.75	6
2	0.92	0.18	0.75	0.75	6
3	0.94	0.26	0.69	0.69	2.5
4	0.95	0.26	0.69	0.69	2.5
5	1.01	0.26	0.74	0.74	4
6	0.94	0.18	0.75	0.75	6
7	1.06	0.19	0.87	0.87	8
8	0.90	0.27	0.63	0.63	1
9	1.47	0.26	1.21	1.21	9
10	1.46	0.18	1.28	1.28	10

Using Wilcoxon Signed-Rank Test with the data above, we got test statistic value:

$$T_- = 0 \quad T_+ = |1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9| = 55$$

And we're trying to prove hypothesis  $H_1$  over  $H_0$ :

$H_0$ : Distribution of response time of Tor( $D_T$ ) and direct connection( $D_D$ ) are identical

$H_1$ ,  $D_T$  is the right shifted of the  $D_D$ , i.e. most of Tor connection response time are longer than direct connection

Because we're testing  $D_T$  is the right shifted of the  $D_D$ , so we will use test statistic  $T_- = 0$

Critical Values  $T_0 = 5$  in Wilcoxon Signed Rank one-tailed test when  $n=10$ ,  $\alpha = 0.01$  [1]

$T_- \leq T_0$ ,  $T_-$  falls in the rejection region of  $T_0$

So the data provide sufficient evidence to conclude that  $D_T$  is the right shifted of  $D_D$ , at  $\alpha = 0.01$ . i.e. The latency for Tor connection is higher than direct connection.

3. Measure the latency of connecting to Tor hidden service. Compare it to the latency to its “clearnet” version using the Tor network, and bypassing the Tor network. Explain why the hidden service address does not use https

Compare between hidden service and clearnet version over Tor:

n	hidden	clear w/ Tor	difference	abs diff	rank
1	5.59	11.86	-6.17	6.17	-10
2	1.68	1.43	0.25	0.25	4
3	1.61	1.52	0.09	0.09	1
4	1.81	1.29	0.52	0.52	6
5	3.63	1.26	2.37	2.37	9
6	0.74	1.27	0.75	0.75	8
7	0.95	1.43	-0.53	0.53	-7
8	0.76	1.27	-0.51	0.51	-5
9	0.78	1.00	-0.22	0.22	-3
10	0.75	0.87	-0.12	0.12	-2

Using Wilcoxon Signed-Rank Test with the data above, we got test statistic value:

$$T_- = |-10 + -7 + -5 + -3 + -2| = 27, \quad T_+ = |4 + 1 + 6 + 9 + 8| = 28, \quad T_0 = 5$$

Both  $T_+$  and  $T_-$  is larger than critical value, thus fall out of  $H_0$ 's rejection region.

So there's no sufficient evidence to conclude that the distribution of latency of hidden service is different from the latency of the clearnet version over Tor.

Compare between hidden service and clearnet version **NOT** going through Tor:

n	hidden	clear w/o Tor	difference	abs diff	rank
1	5.59	0.15	5.44	5.44	10
2	1.68	0.11	1.57	1.57	7
3	1.61	0.11	1.50	1.50	6
4	1.81	0.11	1.70	1.70	8
5	3.63	0.10	3.53	3.53	9
6	0.74	0.11	0.63	0.63	2
7	0.95	0.10	0.85	0.85	5
8	0.76	0.14	0.62	0.62	1
9	0.78	0.11	0.67	0.67	4
10	0.75	0.10	0.65	0.65	3

$$T_- = 0 \quad T_+ = |1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9| = 55$$

Critical Values  $T_0 = 5$  in Wilcoxon Signed Rank one-tailed test when  $n=10$ ,  $\alpha = 0.01$  [1]

$T_- \leq T_0$ ,  $T_-$  falls in the rejection region of  $T_0$

So the data provide sufficient evidence to conclude that  $D_H$  is the right shifted of  $D_C$ , at  $\alpha = 0.01$ . i.e. The latency for hidden service is higher than the clearnet version not going over Tor.

Connections with the Tor hidden services are going through Tor circuits, which are already all encrypted, so there's no need for https to reenforce confidentiality. Also the address of a hidden service came from the hash of the hidden service's public key, thus Tor client can verify

the address using the public key got from the directory servers, there's no need for a CA in https model to sign a certification.

### 1.3 Using exits to circumvent censorship

1. Try to connect to <http://dogo.ece.cmu.edu/tor-homework/public/> and <http://dogo.ece.cmu.edu/tor-homework/secret/> using a regular browser. How different are the results?

When opening secret url with regular browser, it returns **403 Forbidden**.

When opening public url with regular browser, it shows **“the public part of the server is working”**

2. Write a Stem script to constrain Tor to specific exits in different countries.

Script available in **shis\_hw4/exit\_node.py**

It assumes that **tor** is installed and added to PATH, and the **PycURL** module is installed.

It assumes port **9150, 9151** are not occupied, and will launch with **SocksPort: 9150,**

**ControlPort: 9151**

Below is the list of supported argument, when running without arguments, the script call url provided in the assignment, and try to switch circuits 5 times in a country.

Use “-u” to set the url to connect

Use “-r” to set number of s to switch circuit for exist nodes in a country

3. Use your script to find as many countries as possible in which the website <http://dogo.ece.cmu.edu/tor-homework/secret/> is not blocked. Provide a list of these countries, as well as the exact date/time at which you made each request verifying that each of these countries was not blocked.

Find GB returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:16:32

Find RU returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:16:35

Find FR returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:17:19

Find AU returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:17:24

Find PL returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:17:28

Find CH returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:19:51

Find HU returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:34:21

Find GR returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:36:40

Find LU returns 200, 2015-12-02 03:47:58

Find RO returns 200, 2015-12-02 11:04:33

Find SE returns 200, 2015-12-02 11:14:24

**Problem #2 : WikiLeaks and anonymity**

1. Decide whether you support banning the design and use of anonymous networks or not, and prepare four arguments to support your position, and one mitigating factor

I oppose banning anonymous networks.

[1] Stat.ufl.edu,. (2015). Retrieved 4 Dec. 2015, from  
[http://www.stat.ufl.edu/winner/tables/wilcox\\_signrank.pdf](http://www.stat.ufl.edu/winner/tables/wilcox_signrank.pdf)