Subject: Inquiry Regarding Use of Strong Identification Information in Research Paper Implementation

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Dear Authors,

I hope this email finds you well.

I recently had the opportunity to review your research paper titled Yet Another Traffc Classifer: A Masked Autoencoder Based Traffc Transformer with Multi-Level Flow Representation, and I found it to be incredibly insightful.

While examining the open-source implementation associated with your paper, I noticed the utilisation of strong identification information such as IP addresses and ports, which seems to contradict the methodology outlined in your paper. I am writing to seek clarification on this matter.

If I'm mistaken, could you please direct me to the code in which you replace IP addresses with random numbers and set the port numbers to zero?

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing your insights.

Kind regards,

