Malicious or Benign Websites EDA - Research Report Part 1 of 2

Dataset: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/xwolf12/maliciousand-benign-websites/

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Overview

This dataset's data was obtained by using different verified sources of benign and malicious URL's, in a low interactive client honeypot to isolate network traffic. The team crafting the dataset used additional tools to get other information, such as, server country with Whois. This project consisted to evaluate different classification models to predict malicious and benign websites, based on application layer and network characteristics.

The columns that this dataset includes are:

- url It is a uniquely encoded website mask to cover the website name. Every website is unique.
- url_length How many characters the length of the url.
- number_special_characters The number of special characters in a URL, such as '#', '/', '%', '&'.
- charset Categorical value and it is the character encoding standard.
- **server** The operative system of the server in which was sent from the packet response.
- content_length Represents the content size of the HTTP header.
- whois_country The values are the countries that the server response came from.
- whois_statepro The values are the state that the server response came from.
- whois_regdate Whois provides the server registration date, with format DD/MM/YYY HH:MM
- whois_updated_date Through the Whois, it is the laste update date from the server analyzed.
- tcp_conversation_exchange This variable is the number of TCP packets exchanged between the server and the honeypot client.
- dist_remote_tcp_port The number of ports detected and different to TCP.

- remote_ips The total number of IPs connected to the honeypot.
- app_bytes The total number of bytes transferred.
- source_app_packets Packets sent from the honeypot to the server.
- remote_app_packets Packets received from the server.
- app_packets The total number of IP packets generated during the communication between the honeypot and the server.
- dns_query_times The number of DNS packets generated during the communication between the honeypot and the server.
- type This represents whether or not a website is benign or malicious. 1 represents malicious and 0 represents benign.

For my analysis, Section 1 comprised of getting familiar with my data using many data familiarity techniques, such as inspecting the shape, getting the head of my dataframe by invoking the .head() method, checking for null values, using the describe technique and the .info() technique to understand data types. Next, I did extensive data cleaning. I used KNN imputation to fill in a column with the nearest neighbors and let the algorithm handle it and added some new columns on standardized / clean data that I processed extensively. Many of the 'whois_country' and 'whois_state' data points were repeated and in different font such as uppercase and lower, and I did extensive cleaning to that. Section 2 comprised of Descriptive Questions and answers via beautified graphical representations. Section 3 comprised of inferential analysis and hypothesis testing. Finally, Section 4 is an analysis and conclusion of findings. The next notebook in this research report will cover the machine learning technical aspect of the notebook, to create models to predict if websites are malicious or benign. I designed a powerpoint presentation catered to all individuals and companies as protecting yourself or your organization against malicious people is extremely important in today's environment. This was a fun project and hope you enjoy!

Section 1: Data Cleaning

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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib.lines import Line2D
import matplotlib.patheffects as path_effects

# Inferential Analysis Tests
from scipy import stats
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from scipy.stats import mannwhitneyu
        from scipy.stats import kruskal
        from scipy.stats import ttest ind
        from scipy.stats import f_oneway
        #For null value imputation
        from sklearn.impute import KNNImputer
        from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
        from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
        # Ignore Warnings
        import warnings
        warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
In [ ]: # Call in dataset and inspect the head.
        df = pd.read csv("dataset.csv")
        df.head()
Out[ ]:
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                                                                   8859-1
            B0_403
                              17
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                                                                   UTF-8
                                                                                  NaN
        5 rows × 21 columns
In [ ]: #Inspect dimensionality of dataset.
        print(df.shape)
       (1781, 21)
In [ ]: #Inspect the column names and see what we are working with.
        df.columns
Out[ ]: Index(['URL', 'URL_LENGTH', 'NUMBER_SPECIAL_CHARACTERS', 'CHARSET', 'SERVER',
                'CONTENT_LENGTH', 'WHOIS_COUNTRY', 'WHOIS_STATEPRO', 'WHOIS_REGDATE',
                'WHOIS_UPDATED_DATE', 'TCP_CONVERSATION_EXCHANGE',
                'DIST_REMOTE_TCP_PORT', 'REMOTE_IPS', 'APP_BYTES', 'SOURCE_APP_PACKETS',
                'REMOTE_APP_PACKETS', 'SOURCE_APP_BYTES', 'REMOTE_APP_BYTES',
                'APP PACKETS', 'DNS QUERY TIMES', 'Type'],
               dtype='object')
In [ ]: # Call info to inspect data types and get a preliminary investigation of any null va
        df.info()
        print(df.isna().sum())
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1781 entries, 0 to 1780
Data columns (total 21 columns):

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Column
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0
    URL
                               1781 non-null
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1
    URL_LENGTH
                               1781 non-null
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    NUMBER_SPECIAL_CHARACTERS 1781 non-null
                                               int64
 3
    CHARSET
                               1774 non-null
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4
    SERVER
                               1605 non-null
                                               object
 5
    CONTENT_LENGTH
                                               float64
                               969 non-null
 6
    WHOIS COUNTRY
                               1475 non-null
                                               object
 7
    WHOIS_STATEPRO
                               1419 non-null
                                               object
    WHOIS REGDATE
                               1654 non-null
                                               object
 9
    WHOIS UPDATED DATE
                               1642 non-null
                                               object
10 TCP CONVERSATION EXCHANGE 1781 non-null
                                               int64
 11 DIST_REMOTE_TCP_PORT
                               1781 non-null
                                               int64
 12 REMOTE_IPS
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13 APP BYTES
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 14 SOURCE_APP_PACKETS
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 15 REMOTE_APP_PACKETS
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16 SOURCE_APP_BYTES
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                                               int64
19 DNS_QUERY_TIMES
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                                               float64
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memory usage: 292.3+ KB
URL
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URL_LENGTH
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NUMBER SPECIAL CHARACTERS
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CHARSET
SERVER
                            176
CONTENT LENGTH
                            812
WHOIS_COUNTRY
                            306
WHOIS_STATEPRO
                            362
WHOIS REGDATE
                            127
                            139
WHOIS UPDATED DATE
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TCP_CONVERSATION_EXCHANGE
DIST_REMOTE_TCP_PORT
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REMOTE_IPS
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APP_BYTES
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SOURCE_APP_PACKETS
REMOTE APP PACKETS
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SOURCE_APP_BYTES
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REMOTE_APP_BYTES
APP PACKETS
                              0
DNS_QUERY_TIMES
                              1
Type
dtype: int64
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In [ ]: #Seeing how many null values I have and in what columns.
    df.isna().sum()
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Out[]: URL
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        URL_LENGTH
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         CHARSET
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         WHOIS_REGDATE
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         WHOIS_UPDATED_DATE
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         dtype: int64
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In []: # Simple Statistical summary of data set with numerical values.
df.describe()

count 1781.000000 969.000000 mean 56.961258 11.111735 11726.927761 std 27.555586 4.549896 36391.809051 min 16.000000 5.000000 0.000000 25% 39.000000 8.000000 324.000000 50% 49.000000 10.000000 1853.000000 75% 68.000000 13.000000 649263.000000	Out[]:		URL_LENGTH	NUMBER_SPECIAL_CHARACTERS	CONTENT_LENGTH	TCP_CONVERSATI
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In []: #Seeing entire DF.
df

ut[]:		URL	URL_LENGTH	NUMBER_SPECIAL_CHARACTERS	CHARSET	SERVER	co
	0	M0_109	16	7	iso-8859- 1	nginx	
	1	B0_2314	16	6	UTF-8	Apache/2.4.10	
	2	B0_911	16	6	us-ascii	Microsoft- HTTPAPI/2.0	
	3	B0_113	17	6	ISO- 8859-1	nginx	
	4	B0_403	17	6	UTF-8	NaN	
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	1776	M4_48	194	16	UTF-8	Apache	
	1777	M4_41	198	17	UTF-8	Apache	
	1778	B0_162	201	34	utf-8	Apache/2.2.16 (Debian)	
	1779	B0_1152	234	34	ISO- 8859-1	cloudflare- nginx	
	1780	B0_676	249	40	utf-8	Microsoft- IIS/8.5	
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Just a quick preliminary review of my data, it is messy. Columns are uppercase with the last column being title case, there are null values across many rows with some reaching over 800 null values, string data has dashes and certain strings that are the same name such as UTF-8 in the "CHARSET" column are upper case and lower case, the date fields are all in different order with some random characters. Therefore, I will add some consistency across my data to prepare for the exploratory data analysis.

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In []: #Going to create a copy of the df to work with.
    df_copy = df.copy()

In []: #Make all columns lowercase
    df_copy.columns = df_copy.columns.str.lower()

In []: #Clean up the 'charset' column: replace the dashes with spaces and make it Title ca
    df_copy['charset'] = df_copy['charset'].str.replace('-', ' ')
    df_copy['charset'] = df_copy['charset'].str.title()
    df_copy['charset'].unique()
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Out[]: array(['Iso 8859 1', 'Utf 8', 'Us Ascii', nan, 'Windows 1251', 'Iso 8859',
                'Windows 1252'], dtype=object)
In [ ]: #Going to perform null value imputation with KNN imputation method.
        #Encode only the known values.
        le = LabelEncoder()
        df_copy['charset_encoded'] = df_copy['charset']
        df_copy.loc[df_copy['charset'].notnull(), 'charset_encoded'] = le.fit_transform(df_
        #Apply KNN imputation on the encoded column.
        imputer = KNNImputer(n_neighbors=3)
        df_copy['charset_encoded'] = imputer.fit_transform(df_copy[['charset_encoded']])
        #Inverse transform the encoded data back to the original categories.
        df_copy['charset_imputed'] = df_copy['charset_encoded'].round().astype(int)
        df_copy['charset_imputed'] = le.inverse_transform(df_copy['charset_imputed'])
        #Compare the original and imputed columns to verify our imputation has succeeded.
        imputed_values = df_copy[df_copy['charset'].isnull()]
        print(imputed_values[['charset', 'charset_imputed']])
            charset charset imputed
       35
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       81
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In [ ]: #Dropping as no Longer needed.
        df_copy = df_copy.drop(columns=["charset_encoded", "charset"])
In [ ]: #Sanity check.
        df_copy.isna().sum()
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Out[ ]: url
                                         0
         url_length
                                         0
         number_special_characters
                                         0
         server
                                       176
         content_length
                                       812
         whois_country
                                       306
         whois_statepro
                                       362
        whois_regdate
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        whois_updated_date
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         tcp_conversation_exchange
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         dist_remote_tcp_port
         remote_ips
                                         0
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         app_bytes
                                         0
         source_app_packets
         remote_app_packets
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         source_app_bytes
         remote_app_bytes
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         app_packets
                                         1
         dns_query_times
                                         0
         type
         charset_imputed
                                         0
         dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Looking into "server" column now. There is alot of random noise here.
        df_copy['server'].unique()
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Out[]: array(['nginx', 'Apache/2.4.10', 'Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0', nan, 'Apache/2',
                'nginx/1.10.1', 'Apache', 'Apache/2.2.15 (Red Hat)',
                'Apache/2.4.23 (Unix) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod bwlimited/1.4',
                'openresty/1.11.2.1', 'Apache/2.2.22', 'Apache/2.4.7 (Ubuntu)',
                'nginx/1.12.0',
                'Apache/2.4.12 (Unix) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod_bwlimited/1.4',
                'Oracle-iPlanet-Web-Server/7.0', 'cloudflare-nginx', 'nginx/1.6.2',
                'openresty', 'Heptu web server', 'Pepyaka/1.11.3', 'nginx/1.8.0',
                'nginx/1.10.1 + Phusion Passenger 5.0.30',
                'Apache/2.2.29 (Amazon)', 'Microsoft-IIS/7.5', 'LiteSpeed',
                'Apache/2.4.25 (cPanel) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod_bwlimited/1.4',
                'tsa_c', 'Apache/2.2.0 (Fedora)', 'Apache/2.2.22 (Debian)',
                'Apache/2.2.15 (CentOS)', 'Apache/2.4.25',
                'Apache/2.4.25 (Amazon) PHP/7.0.14', 'GSE',
                'Apache/2.4.23 (Unix) OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod_bwlimited/1.4',
                'Apache/2.4.25 (Amazon) OpenSSL/1.0.1k-fips',
                'Apache/2.2.22 (Ubuntu)', 'Tengine',
                'Apache/2.4.18 (Unix) OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod bwlimited/1.4',
                'Apache/2.4.10 (Debian)', 'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) PHP/5.6.8',
                'Sun-ONE-Web-Server/6.1',
                'Apache/2.4.18 (Unix) OpenSSL/1.0.2e Communique/4.1.10',
                'AmazonS3',
                'Apache/1.3.37 (Unix) mod perl/1.29 mod ssl/2.8.28 OpenSSL/0.9.7e-p1',
                'ATS', 'Apache/2.2.27 (CentOS)',
                'Apache/2.2.29 (Unix) mod ssl/2.2.29 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips DAV/2 mod bwlimite
        d/1.4',
                'CherryPy/3.6.0', 'Server', 'KHL',
                'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod fcgid/2.3.9 PHP/5.4.16 mod j
         k/1.2.40',
                'Apache/2.2.3 (CentOS)', 'Apache/2.4',
                'Apache/1.3.27 (Unix) (Red-Hat/Linux) mod_perl/1.26 PHP/4.3.3 FrontPage/5.
        0.2 mod_ss1/2.8.12 OpenSSL/0.9.6b',
                'mw2114.codfw.wmnet',
                'Apache/2.2.31 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.31 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod_bwlimited/1.4
        mod perl/2.0.8 Perl/v5.10.1',
                'Apache/1.3.34 (Unix) PHP/4.4.4', 'Apache/2.2.31 (Amazon)',
                'Jetty(9.0.z-SNAPSHOT)', 'Apache/2.2.31 (CentOS)',
                'Apache/2.4.12 (Ubuntu)', 'HTTPDaemon',
                'Apache/2.2.29 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.29 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod_bwlimited/1.
        4',
                'MediaFire', 'DOSarrest', 'mw2232.codfw.wmnet',
                'Sucuri/Cloudproxy', 'Apache/2.4.23 (Unix)', 'nginx/0.7.65',
                'mw2260.codfw.wmnet', 'Apache/2.2.32', 'mw2239.codfw.wmnet',
                'DPS/1.1.8', 'Apache/2.0.52 (Red Hat)',
                'Apache/2.2.25 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.25 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod_bwlimite
        d/1.4',
                'Apache/1.3.31 (Unix) PHP/4.3.9 mod perl/1.29 rus/PL30.20',
                'Apache/2.2.13 (Unix) mod ssl/2.2.13 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod auth pas
         sthrough/2.1 mod_bwlimited/1.4 PHP/5.2.10',
                'nginx/1.1.19', 'ATS/5.3.0', 'Apache/2.2.3 (Red Hat)',
                'nginx/1.4.3',
                'Apache/2.2.29 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.29 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod_bwlimited/1.4
                'Apache/2.2.14 (FreeBSD) mod ssl/2.2.14 OpenSSL/0.9.8y DAV/2 PHP/5.2.12 wit
        h Suhosin-Patch',
                'Apache/2.2.14 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.14 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5',
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'Apache/1.3.39 (Unix) PHP/5.2.5 mod_auth_passthrough/1.8 mod_bwlimited/1.4
mod_log_bytes/1.2 mod_gzip/1.3.26.1a FrontPage/5.0.2.2635 DAV/1.0.3 mod_ssl/2.8.30
OpenSSL/0.9.7a',
       'SSWS', 'Microsoft-IIS/8.0', 'Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)',
       'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips PHP/5.4.16 mod_apreq2-20090110/
2.8.0 mod perl/2.0.10 Perl/v5.24.1',
       'Apache/2.2.20 (Unix)', 'YouTubeFrontEnd', 'nginx/1.11.3',
       'nginx/1.11.2', 'nginx/1.10.0 (Ubuntu)', 'nginx/1.8.1',
       'nginx/1.11.10', 'Squeegit/1.2.5 (3 sir)',
       'Virtuoso/07.20.3217 (Linux) i686-generic-linux-glibc212-64 VDB',
       'Apache-Coyote/1.1', 'Yippee-Ki-Yay', 'mw2165.codfw.wmnet',
       'mw2192.codfw.wmnet', 'Apache/2.2.23 (Amazon)',
       'nginx/1.4.6 (Ubuntu)', 'nginx + Phusion Passenger',
       'Proxy Pandeiro UOL', 'mw2231.codfw.wmnet', 'openresty/1.11.2.2',
       'mw2109.codfw.wmnet', 'nginx/0.8.54', 'Apache/2.4.6',
       'mw2225.codfw.wmnet', 'Apache/1.3.27 (Unix) PHP/4.4.1',
       'mw2236.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2101.codfw.wmnet', 'Varnish',
       'Resin/3.1.8', 'mw2164.codfw.wmnet', 'Microsoft-IIS/8.5',
       'mw2242.codfw.wmnet',
       'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips PHP/5.5.38',
       'mw2175.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2107.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2190.codfw.wmnet',
       'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS)', 'nginx/1.13.0', 'barista/5.1.3',
       'mw2103.codfw.wmnet', 'Apache/2.4.25 (Debian)', 'ECD (fll/0790)',
       'Pagely Gateway/1.5.1', 'nginx/1.10.3',
       'Apache/2.4.25 (FreeBSD) OpenSSL/1.0.1s-freebsd PHP/5.6.30',
       'mw2097.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2233.codfw.wmnet', 'fbs',
       'mw2199.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2255.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2228.codfw.wmnet',
       'Apache/2.2.31 (Unix) mod ssl/2.2.31 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod bwlimited/1.4
mod_fcgid/2.3.9',
       'gunicorn/19.7.1',
       'Apache/2.2.31 (Unix) mod ssl/2.2.31 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod bwlimite
d/1.4',
       'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips PHP/5.4.16',
       'mw2241.codfw.wmnet',
       'Apache/1.3.33 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.8.24 OpenSSL/0.9.7e-p1 PHP/4.4.8',
       'lighttpd', 'mw2230.codfw.wmnet',
       'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips', 'AkamaiGHost',
       'mw2240.codfw.wmnet', 'nginx/1.10.2', 'PWS/8.2.0.7', 'nginx/1.2.1',
       'nxfps',
       'Apache/2.2.16 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.16 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod_auth_pas
sthrough/2.1 mod_bwlimited/1.4',
       'Play', 'mw2185.codfw.wmnet',
       'Apache/2.4.10 (Unix) OpenSSL/1.0.1k',
       'Apache/Not telling (Unix) AuthTDS/1.1',
       'Apache/2.2.11 (Unix) PHP/5.2.6', 'Scratch Web Server',
       'marrakesh 1.12.2', 'nginx/0.8.35', 'mw2182.codfw.wmnet',
       'squid/3.3.8', 'nginx/1.10.0', 'Nginx (OpenBSD)',
       'Zope/(2.13.16; python 2.6.8; linux2) ZServer/1.1',
       'Apache/2.2.26 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.26 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod_bwlimite
d/1.4 PHP/5.4.26',
       'Apache/2.2.21 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.21 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 PHP/5.3.10',
       'Apache/2.2.27 (Unix) OpenAM Web Agent/4.0.1-1 mod_ss1/2.2.27 OpenSSL/1.0.1
p PHP/5.3.28',
       'mw2104.codfw.wmnet', '.V01 Apache', 'mw2110.codfw.wmnet',
       'Apache/2.4.6 (Unix) mod_jk/1.2.37 PHP/5.5.1 OpenSSL/1.0.1g mod_fcgid/2.3.
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'mw2176.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2187.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2106.codfw.wmnet',
                'Microsoft-IIS/7.0',
                'Apache/1.3.42 Ben-SSL/1.60 (Unix) mod gzip/1.3.26.1a mod fastcgi/2.4.6 mod
        _throttle/3.1.2 Chili!Soft-ASP/3.6.2 FrontPage/5.0.2.2635 mod perl/1.31 PHP/4.4.
        9',
                'Aeria Games & Entertainment', 'nginx/1.6.3 + Phusion Passenger',
                'Apache/2.4.10 (Debian) PHP/5.6.30-0+deb8u1 mod perl/2.0.9dev Perl/v5.20.
        2',
                'mw2173.codfw.wmnet',
                'Apache/2.4.6 (Red Hat Enterprise Linux) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod fcgid/2.3.
        9 Communique/4.2.0',
                'Apache/2.2.15 (CentOS) DAV/2 mod ssl/2.2.15 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips PHP/5.3.
        3',
                'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips PHP/7.0.14',
                'mw2198.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2172.codfw.wmnet', 'nginx/1.2.6',
                'Apache/2.4.6 (Unix) mod_jk/1.2.37',
                'Apache/2.4.25 (Unix) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod_bwlimited/1.4',
                'nginx/1.4.4', 'Cowboy', 'mw2113.codfw.wmnet',
                'Apache/2.2.14 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.14 OpenSSL/0.9.8a',
                'Apache/2.4.10 (Ubuntu)', 'mw2224.codfw.wmnet',
                'mw2171.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2257.codfw.wmnet', 'mw2226.codfw.wmnet',
                'DMS/1.0.42', 'nginx/1.6.3', 'Application-Server',
                'Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) mod_fcgid/2.3.9 PHP/5.6.30',
                'mw2177.codfw.wmnet', 'lighttpd/1.4.28', 'mw2197.codfw.wmnet',
                'Apache/2.2.31 (FreeBSD) PHP/5.4.15 mod ssl/2.2.31 OpenSSL/1.0.2d DAV/2',
                'Apache/2.2.26 (Unix) mod ssl/2.2.26 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips DAV/2 mod bwlimite
        d/1.4',
                'Apache/2.2.24 (Unix) DAV/2 PHP/5.3.26 mod_ssl/2.2.24 OpenSSL/0.9.8y',
                'mw2178.codfw.wmnet', '294', 'Microsoft-IIS/6.0', 'nginx/1.7.4',
                'Apache/2.2.22 (Debian) mod_python/3.3.1 Python/2.7.3 mod_ssl/2.2.22 OpenSS
        L/1.0.1t',
                'Apache/2.4.16 (Ubuntu)', 'www.lexisnexis.com 9999',
                'nginx/0.8.38', 'mw2238.codfw.wmnet', 'Pizza/pepperoni',
                'Apache/2.2.31 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.31 OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips mod_bwlimited/1.
        4',
                'nginx/1.9.13', 'mw2180.codfw.wmnet', 'Apache/2.2.14 (Ubuntu)',
                'ebay server', 'nginx/0.8.55', 'Apache/2.2.10 (Linux/SUSE)',
                'nginx/1.7.12',
                'Apache/2.0.63 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.0.63 OpenSSL/0.9.8e-fips-rhel5 mod_auth_pas
        sthrough/2.1 mod_bwlimited/1.4 PHP/5.3.6',
                'Boston.com Frontend', 'My Arse', 'IdeaWebServer/v0.80',
                'Apache/2.4.17 (Unix) OpenSSL/1.0.1e-fips PHP/5.6.19',
                'Microsoft-IIS/7.5; litigation essentials.lexisnexis.com 9999',
                'Apache/2.2.16 (Debian)'], dtype=object)
In [ ]: #Fill in nulls with unknown.
        df_copy['server'].fillna("Unknown", inplace=True)
In [ ]: #Clean up the 'charset' column: replace the dashes with spaces and make it Title ca
        df copy['server'] = df copy['server'].str.lower()
In [ ]: #Grouping values with the least count into one bin "Other" to reduce number of uniq
        series = pd.value_counts(df_copy.server)
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mask = (series/series.sum() * 100).lt(1)
        df_copy['server'] = np.where(df_copy['server'].isin(series[mask].index),'other',df_
In [ ]: #Inspecting changes.
        df_copy['server'].unique()
Out[]: array(['nginx', 'other', 'microsoft-httpapi/2.0', 'unknown', 'apache',
                'nginx/1.12.0', 'cloudflare-nginx', 'microsoft-iis/7.5',
                'apache/2.2.15 (centos)', 'gse', 'ats', 'server',
                'youtubefrontend', 'apache-coyote/1.1'], dtype=object)
In [ ]:
        # Further bucketing and cleaning up the server column.
        def standardize_server(server_string):
            if 'apache' in server string:
                return 'apache'
            if 'nginx' in server_string:
                return 'nginx'
            if 'microsoft' in server_string:
                return 'microsoft-IIS'
            return server_string
        #Applying function.
        df_copy['standardized_server'] = df_copy['server'].apply(standardize_server)
        df_copy['standardized_server'] = df_copy['standardized_server'].str.replace('-', '
        print(df_copy[['server', 'standardized_server']])
                            server standardized_server
       0
                             nginx
                                                 nginx
       1
                             other
                                                 other
                                      microsoft IIS
       2
             microsoft-httpapi/2.0
       3
                                                 nginx
                             nginx
       4
                           unknown
                                               unknown
       1776
                                                apache
                            apache
       1777
                            apache
                                                apache
       1778
                             other
                                                other
       1779
                 cloudflare-nginx
                                                nginx
       1780
                             other
                                                other
       [1781 rows x 2 columns]
In [ ]: #Final inspection of data.
        df_copy['standardized_server'].unique()
Out[]: array(['nginx', 'other', 'microsoft IIS', 'unknown', 'apache', 'gse',
                'ats', 'server', 'youtubefrontend'], dtype=object)
In [ ]: #Checking values and their amounts.
        df_copy['standardized_server'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[]: standardized_server
        other
                            499
         apache
                            431
        nginx
                            341
         unknown
                            176
        microsoft IIS
                            164
                             49
        gse
                             49
         server
        youtubefrontend
                             42
        ats
                             30
        Name: count, dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Inspecting other columns to clean.
        df_copy.isna().sum()
Out[ ]: url
                                         0
                                         0
        url length
         number_special_characters
                                         0
         server
                                         0
         content_length
                                      812
        whois_country
                                      306
        whois_statepro
                                      362
        whois regdate
                                      127
        whois_updated_date
                                      139
        tcp_conversation_exchange
                                        0
        dist_remote_tcp_port
        remote_ips
         app_bytes
                                         0
                                         0
         source app packets
         remote_app_packets
                                         0
                                         0
         source_app_bytes
                                         0
         remote_app_bytes
         app_packets
                                        1
         dns_query_times
         type
                                         0
                                         0
         charset_imputed
         standardized_server
        dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Content length has the most null values and has a very large spread. Filling with
        #The median may also not work well since its 1853, and imputing with KNN may not wo
        df_copy[['content_length']].describe()
```

```
Out[]:
                content_length
         count
                   969.000000
                 11726.927761
         mean
           std
                 36391.809051
                      0.000000
          min
          25%
                   324.000000
          50%
                  1853.000000
          75%
                 11323.000000
          max
                649263.000000
        df_copy['content_length'] = df_copy['content_length'].interpolate()
        df_copy[['content_length']].describe()
Out[]:
                content_length
                  1781.000000
         count
                 13497.243964
         mean
           std
                 38415.552697
                      0.000000
          min
          25%
                   603.000000
          50%
                  4714.750000
          75%
                 12578.500000
          max
                649263.000000
In [ ]: #Inspecting other columns to clean and seeing if we filled in content_length succes
         df_copy.isna().sum()
```

```
Out[]: url
                                        0
         url_length
                                        0
         number_special_characters
                                        0
         server
                                        0
         content_length
                                        0
         whois_country
                                      306
         whois statepro
                                      362
         whois_regdate
                                      127
                                      139
         whois_updated_date
         tcp_conversation_exchange
                                        0
         dist_remote_tcp_port
         remote_ips
                                        0
         app bytes
         source_app_packets
                                        0
         remote_app_packets
         source_app_bytes
                                        0
         remote_app_bytes
         app_packets
                                        0
         dns_query_times
                                        1
         type
         charset_imputed
                                        0
         standardized_server
         dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Inspecting the whois_country. There is some cleaning that should be done - multipl
        df_copy['whois_country'].unique()
Out[]: array([nan, 'US', 'SC', 'GB', 'UK', 'RU', 'AU', 'CA', 'PA', 'se', 'IN',
                'LU', 'TH', "[u'GB'; u'UK']", 'FR', 'NL', 'UG', 'JP', 'CN', 'SE',
                'SI', 'IL', 'ru', 'KY', 'AT', 'CZ', 'PH', 'BE', 'NO', 'TR', 'LV',
                'DE', 'ES', 'BR', 'us', 'KR', 'HK', 'UA', 'CH', 'United Kingdom',
                'BS', 'PK', 'IT', 'Cyprus', 'BY', 'AE', 'IE', 'UY', 'KG'],
               dtype=object)
In [ ]: df_copy['whois_country'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[]: whois_country
         US
                            1103
         CA
                               84
         ES
                               63
         ΑU
                               35
         PΑ
                               21
                               19
         GB
         JΡ
                               11
                               10
         UK
         CN
                               10
         ΙN
                               10
                                9
         FR
         CZ
                                9
         NL
                                6
         CH
                                6
         [u'GB'; u'UK']
                                5
                                5
         KR
                                4
         PH
         BS
                                4
                                4
         ru
         \mathsf{AT}
                                4
         HK
                                3
                                3
         us
                                3
         TR
         ΒE
                                3
         DE
                                3
         SC
                                3
                                3
         ΚY
                                3
         SE
                                2
         BR
                                2
         UY
                                2
         Cyprus
         SI
                                2
                                2
         UA
         RU
                                2
                                2
         ΙL
         NO
                                2
                                2
         KG
         TH
                                1
         se
                                1
         LV
                                1
         LU
                                1
         United Kingdom
                                1
         UG
                                1
         PK
                                1
         IT
                                1
         BY
                                1
         ΑE
                                1
         ΙE
         Name: count, dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Function to replace the strange values in the column.
         def replace(x):
             if x == "[u'GB'; u'UK']"or x=="United Kingdom" or x=="UK":
                  return "GB"
             elif x == "Cyprus":
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return "CY"
            elif x == "us":
                return "US"
            elif x == "ru":
                return "RU"
            elif x == "se":
                return "SE"
            else:
                return x
        df_copy["whois_country"] = list(map(lambda x: replace(x), df_copy["whois_country"])
In [ ]: #Sanity check
        df_copy['whois_country'].unique()
Out[]: array([nan, 'US', 'SC', 'GB', 'RU', 'AU', 'CA', 'PA', 'SE', 'IN', 'LU',
                'TH', 'FR', 'NL', 'UG', 'JP', 'CN', 'SI', 'IL', 'KY', 'AT', 'CZ',
                'PH', 'BE', 'NO', 'TR', 'LV', 'DE', 'ES', 'BR', 'KR', 'HK', 'UA',
                'CH', 'BS', 'PK', 'IT', 'CY', 'BY', 'AE', 'IE', 'UY', 'KG'],
               dtype=object)
In [ ]: #Filling the NA as 'other' category.
        df_copy['whois_country'].fillna("Other", inplace=True)
In [ ]: #Sanity check
        df_copy['whois_country'].unique()
Out[]: array(['Other', 'US', 'SC', 'GB', 'RU', 'AU', 'CA', 'PA', 'SE', 'IN',
                'LU', 'TH', 'FR', 'NL', 'UG', 'JP', 'CN', 'SI', 'IL', 'KY', 'AT',
                'CZ', 'PH', 'BE', 'NO', 'TR', 'LV', 'DE', 'ES', 'BR', 'KR', 'HK',
                'UA', 'CH', 'BS', 'PK', 'IT', 'CY', 'BY', 'AE', 'IE', 'UY', 'KG'],
               dtype=object)
In [ ]: #Inspecting other columns to clean and seeing if we filled in whois country success
        df_copy.isna().sum()
```

```
Out[ ]: url
                                         0
         url_length
                                         0
         number_special_characters
                                         0
         server
                                         0
         content_length
         whois_country
                                         0
         whois_statepro
                                       362
         whois_regdate
                                       127
                                       139
         whois_updated_date
         tcp_conversation_exchange
                                         0
         dist_remote_tcp_port
                                         0
         remote_ips
                                         0
         app_bytes
                                         0
         source_app_packets
         remote_app_packets
                                         0
         source_app_bytes
                                         0
         remote_app_bytes
                                         0
                                         0
         app_packets
                                         1
         dns_query_times
                                         0
         type
         charset_imputed
                                         0
         standardized_server
                                         0
         dtype: int64
In [ ]: #statepro
         df_copy['whois_statepro'].unique()
```

```
Out[]: array([nan, 'AK', 'TX', 'Mahe', 'CO', 'FL', 'Kansas',
                'Novosibirskaya obl.', 'CA', 'Tennessee', 'Vi', 'OR', 'Texas',
                'ALBERTA', 'PANAMA', 'Arizona', 'WI', 'Oregon', 'Andhra Pradesh',
                'AB', 'Tamil Nadu', 'VA', 'NY', 'quebec', 'MA', 'ON', 'New Mexico',
                'British Columbia', 'Massachusetts', 'California', 'bangkok',
                'WEST MIDLANDS', 'TEXAS', 'WC1N', 'Kentucky', 'MD', 'NEW YORK',
                'Washington', 'Colorado', 'PA', 'LA', 'WA', 'Queensland', 'MOSCOW',
                'UK', 'P', 'NH', 'Pennsylvania', 'UTTAR PRADESH', 'NC', 'kireka',
                'IL', 'Missouri', 'Osaka', 'QC', 'Michigan', 'Maryland', 'Ontario',
                'South Carolina', 'Zhejiang', 'New York', 'QLD', 'NJ', 'GA', 'MO',
                'HR', 'ab', 'Greater London', 'Illinois', '--', 'Fukuoka', 'BC',
                'AL', 'Krasnoyarsk', 'MAINE', 'Virginia', 'MH', 'GRAND CAYMAN',
                'Austria', 'DE', 'shandong', 'AZ', 'PRAHA', 'beijingshi',
                'liaoningsheng', 'North Carolina', 'OH', 'Manila', 'Utah', 'MI',
                'NSW', 'UT', 'New South Wales', 'WV', 'Ohio', 'RIX', 'TR', 'nj',
                'Panama', 'SK', 'ca', 'Alicante', 'New Jersey', 'Vic', 'ME',
                'worcs', 'Maine', 'London', 'Karnataka', 'Quebec', 'Indiana',
                'NEW SOUTH WALES', '6110021', 'Not Applicable', 'Peterborough',
                'CT', 'Minnesota', 'NOT APPLICABLE', 'VIC', 'Noord-Holland',
                'CALIFORNIA', 'Nevada', 'Nebraska', 'ILOCOS NORTE R3', 'NV', 'MB',
                'Florida', 'Central', 'Maharashtra', 'widestep@mail.ru', 'VERMONT',
                'ZH', 'hunansheng', 'NONE', 'Wisconsin', 'UTAH', 'Utr', 'Bei Jing',
                '-', 'Manitoba', 'ALABAMA', 'New Providence', 'Punjab', 'qc',
                'Connecticut', 'il', 'Berlin', 'INDAL', 'RM', 'va', 'ny',
                'MAHARASHTR', 'ONTARIO', 'Haryana', 'MIDDLESEX', 'Rogaland',
                'District of Columbia', 'DC', 'HANTS', 'Zug', 'VT', 'TN',
                'ANTWERP', 'CH', 'TOKYO-TO', 'Saskatchewan', 'Alabama', 'Tottori',
                'Arkansas', 'OK', 'Dubai', 'KS', 'Barcelona', 'CO. DUBLIN',
                'Metro Manila', 'Montevideo', 'KG', 'FLORIDA', 'Other', 'QUEBEC',
                'bc', 'Paris'], dtype=object)
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In [ ]: #Cleaning up data and nulls.
        def replace state(x):
            if x == "California"or x=="CALIFORNIA":
                 return "CA"
            elif x == "Arizona":
                 return "AZ"
            elif x == "New York" or x=="NEW YORK":
                 return "NY"
            elif x == "Ohio":
                 return "OH"
            elif x == "Utah":
                 return "UT"
            elif x == "None":
                 return "NA"
            elif x == "Texas":
                 return "TX"
            elif x == "Washington":
                 return "WA"
            elif x == "va":
                 return "VA"
            elif x == "Illinois" or x=="il":
                 return "IL"
            elif x == "District of Columbia" or x=="DC" or x=="Maryland":
                 return "MD"
            elif x == "New Jersey":
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return "NJ"
            elif x == "Maine" or x=="MAINE":
                return "ME"
            elif x == "Quebec" or x=="QUEBEC" or x=="qc" or x=="quebec":
                return "QC"
            elif x == "Missouri":
                return "MO"
            elif x == "Nevada":
                return "NV"
            elif x == "WC1N" or x=="Greater London" or x=="UK" or x=="WEST MIDLANDS" or x==
                return "England"
            elif x == "Pennsylvania":
                return "PA"
            elif x == "Florida" or x=="FLORIDA":
                return "FL"
            elif x == "PANAMA":
                return "Panama"
            else:
                return x
        df_copy["whois_statepro"] = list(map(lambda x: replace_state(x), df_copy["whois_sta
In [ ]: #Inspecting top 21 values.
        df_copy["whois_statepro"].value_counts()[:21]
Out[]: whois_statepro
        CA
                      430
        NY
                       87
                       75
        WA
        FΙ
                       67
        ΑZ
                       64
        Barcelona
                       62
        ON
                       45
                       42
        UT
        NV
                       33
        ΤI
                       28
        РΑ
                       28
        CO
                       24
        England
                       22
        MO
                       22
        MA
                       22
        Panama
                       21
        OH
                       21
        TX
                       19
        VA
                       18
        NJ
                       16
                       15
        QC
        Name: count, dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Grouping values with the least count into one bin "Other" to reduce number of uniq
        counts = df copy['whois statepro'].value counts()
        df_copy['whois_statepro'] = np.where(df_copy['whois_statepro'].isin(counts[counts 
In [ ]: #Fill null's with "Other".
        df_copy['whois_statepro'].fillna("Other", inplace=True)
```

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In [ ]: df_copy['whois_statepro'].unique()
Out[]: array(['Other', 'TX', 'CO', 'FL', 'CA', 'Panama', 'AZ', 'VA', 'NY', 'QC',
                'MA', 'ON', 'England', 'WA', 'PA', 'IL', 'MO', 'NJ', 'OH', 'UT',
                'NV', 'Barcelona'], dtype=object)
In [ ]: #Inspecting other columns to clean and seeing if we filled in whois_country success
        df copy.isna().sum()
Out[ ]: url
                                        0
        url_length
                                        0
        number_special_characters
                                        0
         server
                                        0
         content length
                                        0
                                        0
        whois_country
        whois_statepro
                                        0
        whois regdate
                                      127
        whois updated date
                                      139
        tcp_conversation_exchange
                                        0
        dist_remote_tcp_port
                                        0
        remote_ips
                                        0
        app_bytes
                                        0
        source_app_packets
                                        0
        remote_app_packets
                                        0
        source_app_bytes
                                        0
                                        0
        remote_app_bytes
         app_packets
                                        0
        dns_query_times
                                        1
                                        0
        type
        charset imputed
                                        0
         standardized server
        dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Inspect the regdate column
        df_copy['whois_regdate'].value_counts()
Out[]: whois_regdate
        17/09/2008 0:00
                            62
        13/01/2001 0:12
                            59
        31/07/2000 0:00
                            47
        15/02/2005 0:00
                            41
        29/03/1997 0:00
                            33
        23/11/1994 0:00
                           1
        30/08/2015 0:00
                            1
         30/04/2009 0:00
                             1
        27/11/2006 0:00
                             1
        14/11/2008 0:00
                             1
        Name: count, Length: 890, dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Inspection
        df_copy['whois_regdate'].unique()
```

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Out[]: array(['10/10/2015 18:21', nan, '7/10/1997 4:00', '12/05/1996 0:00',
                 '3/08/2016 14:30', '29/07/2002 0:00', '18/03/1997 0:00',
                 '8/11/2014 7:41', '14/09/2007 0:00', '22/11/2016 0:00', '11/10/2002 0:00', '14/11/2002 0:00', '16/07/2000 0:00',
                 '25/05/2013 0:00', '9/08/1999 0:00', '15/09/2013 0:00',
                 '3/07/1999 0:00', '2/11/2003 0:00', '12/08/2008 22:10'
                 '21/05/2009 0:00', '1/08/2002 0:00', '13/01/2005 0:00',
                 '18/05/2005 19:41', '4/01/2001 0:00', '28/02/2008 10:58',
                 '8/12/2006 0:00', '16/06/2000 0:00', '13/10/2000 0:00',
                 '31/12/1999 0:00', '30/07/1996 0:00', '9/05/2008 0:00',
                 '23/04/1999 0:00', '4/02/1997 0:00', '13/02/2003 0:00'
                 '17/05/2008 0:00', '30/05/2002 0:00', '20/10/2005 0:00',
                 '7/01/2006 0:00', '5/03/1996 5:00', '23/03/1995 0:00',
                '10/01/1998 0:00', '27/04/2016 0:00', '7/04/2011 0:00',
                 '26/02/2009 0:00', '3/07/2002 0:00', '21/02/1995 0:00',
                 '4/07/2007 0:00', '2/07/1998 0:00', '10/03/2005 0:00',
                 '15/12/2004 0:00', '25/02/2008 0:00', '27/01/2005 0:00',
                 '14/09/2006 0:00', '30/04/2010 14:12', '22/04/1997 0:00',
                 '16/07/2016 0:00', '27/11/2016 19:09', '30/10/2009 0:00',
                 '12/03/2009 21:00', '9/03/2000 17:50', '30/05/2008 0:00',
                 '25/09/2000 0:00', '9/04/2002 0:00', '11/01/1997 0:00',
                 '11/06/2000 0:00', '13/02/2002 19:55', '19/12/2007 0:00',
                 '6/11/1997 0:00', '21/01/2000 0:00', '27/04/2009 0:00',
                 '11/10/2000 0:00', '4/08/1998 0:00', '31/05/2000 0:00',
                 '23/10/1999 0:00', '23/06/2010 0:00', '9/03/2000 0:00',
                 '13/04/1994 0:00', '9/06/2010 0:00', '29/04/2009 0:00',
                 '19/01/2015 0:00', '11/11/2015 0:00', '22/03/2017 0:00',
                 '3/11/2009 0:00', '19/07/2010 20:03', '28/04/1997 0:00',
                 '4/03/1996 0:00', '24/10/2007 0:00', '21/10/2004 0:00',
                 '2002-03-20T23:59:59.0Z', '29/03/1997 0:00', '10/06/2008 0:00',
                 '30/11/1999 0:00', '30/08/2004 0:00', '11/11/1996 0:00',
                 '2/10/1995 4:00', '28/06/2011 0:00', '16/08/2016 0:00', '9/05/2000 17:31', '31/07/2000 0:00', '14/05/1999 0:00',
                 '24/04/2009 0:00', '6/08/1998 0:00', '22/02/1996 0:00',
                 '15/06/2007 0:00', '21/09/2009 0:00', '20/01/1995 0:00'<sub>,</sub>
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                '1/11/2000 0:00', '18/12/2008 0:00', '31/08/2003 0:00',
                '3/06/1997 0:00', '29/04/1999 0:00', '22/06/1998 0:00',
                '14/12/1999 0:00', '28/01/2004 0:00', '28/03/2007 0:00',
                '27/07/1995 0:00', '15/06/2006 0:00', '13/07/1998 0:00',
                '8/01/1997 0:00', '29/07/1998 4:00', '14/08/1997 0:00',
                '23/11/2010 0:00', '20/12/2008 0:00', '26/06/1997 0:00',
                '15/02/1999 0:00', '1/04/1998 0:00', '14/11/2008 0:00'],
               dtype=object)
In [ ]: #Going to look at the dates now and clean up the format on those.
        #Make function to clean up data column.
        def date cleaner(datetime str):
            if datetime_str in [np.nan, "b", "0", "None"]: # these are the missing values
                return np.nan
            if "T" in datetime str:
                split_datetime = datetime_str.split("T")
            else:
                split_datetime = datetime_str.split()
            date = split_datetime[0]
            date with slash = date.replace("-", "/")
            if date_with_slash == "2002/03/20": # only one instance of this.
                date_with_slash = "20/03/2002"
            return date with slash
In [ ]: #Going to apply the cleaner format to both regdate and updated date columns
        df copy.whois regdate = df copy.whois regdate.apply(date cleaner)
        df_copy["whois_regdate"] = pd.to_datetime(df_copy.whois_regdate, format="%d/%m/%Y",
        #Update the updated_date column
        df_copy.whois_updated_date = df_copy.whois_updated_date.apply(date_cleaner)
        df_copy["whois_updated_date"] = pd.to_datetime(df_copy.whois_updated_date, format="
        #Filling null values with the median. The reason being is it is impossible to know
        df_copy["whois_regdate"].fillna(df_copy["whois_regdate"].median(), inplace=True)
        df_copy["whois_updated_date"].fillna(df_copy["whois_updated_date"].median(), inplac
In [ ]: #Deal with 1 last null value in dns_query_times.
        df_copy.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1781 entries, 0 to 1780
Data columns (total 22 columns):
    Column
                              Non-Null Count Dtype
--- -----
                              -----
0
    url
                              1781 non-null
                                            object
1
    url_length
                              1781 non-null
                                            int64
    number_special_characters 1781 non-null
                                             int64
 3
                                            object
    server
                              1781 non-null
4
    content_length
                                            float64
                              1781 non-null
 5
                                             object
    whois_country
                              1781 non-null
    whois_statepro
                              1781 non-null
                                             object
 7
    whois_regdate
                              1781 non-null
                                             datetime64[ns]
    whois_updated_date
                              1781 non-null
                                             datetime64[ns]
 9
    tcp conversation exchange 1781 non-null
                                             int64
10 dist_remote_tcp_port
                                             int64
                              1781 non-null
11 remote_ips
                              1781 non-null
                                             int64
12 app_bytes
                              1781 non-null
                                             int64
13 source_app_packets
                              1781 non-null
                                            int64
 14 remote_app_packets
                              1781 non-null
                                             int64
15 source_app_bytes
                              1781 non-null
                                            int64
16 remote_app_bytes
                              1781 non-null
                                             int64
17 app_packets
                              1781 non-null
                                             int64
                              1780 non-null float64
18 dns_query_times
19 type
                              1781 non-null
                                            int64
20 charset imputed
                              1781 non-null
                                             object
 21 standardized_server
                              1781 non-null
                                             object
dtypes: datetime64[ns](2), float64(2), int64(12), object(6)
memory usage: 306.2+ KB
 df_copy['dns_query_times'] = df_copy['dns_query_times'].interpolate()
```

```
In [ ]: #I will interpolate the dns query column. It's one value, so filling in the null va
In [ ]: #Sanity check - clear.
        df_copy.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
      RangeIndex: 1781 entries, 0 to 1780
      Data columns (total 21 columns):
           Column
                                     Non-Null Count Dtype
       --- -----
                                     -----
       0
           url
                                     1781 non-null object
       1
           url_length
                                     1781 non-null int64
           number_special_characters 1781 non-null
                                                    int64
                                     1781 non-null float64
           content length
       4
                                     1781 non-null object
           whois_country
       5
           whois_statepro
                                    1781 non-null object
          whois regdate
                                    1781 non-null datetime64[ns]
       7
           whois_updated_date
                                     1781 non-null datetime64[ns]
          tcp_conversation_exchange 1781 non-null int64
           dist remote tcp port
                                     1781 non-null
                                                    int64
       10 remote_ips
                                    1781 non-null
                                                   int64
       11 app_bytes
                                    1781 non-null int64
       12 source_app_packets
                                    1781 non-null
                                                    int64
                                   1781 non-null int64
       13 remote_app_packets
       14 source_app_bytes
                                    1781 non-null
                                                  int64
                                   1781 non-null
                                                  int64
       15 remote_app_bytes
       16 app_packets
                                    1781 non-null int64
       17 dns_query_times
                                   1781 non-null
                                                    int32
       18 type
                                   1781 non-null int64
       19 charset imputed
                                    1781 non-null object
       20 standardized server
                                   1781 non-null
                                                    object
      dtypes: datetime64[ns](2), float64(1), int32(1), int64(12), object(5)
      memory usage: 285.4+ KB
In [ ]: #Change column to int type for cleaner clarity.
        df_copy['dns_query_times'] = df_copy['dns_query_times'].astype(int)
In [ ]: #Sanity check
        df_copy['dns_query_times'].value_counts()
Out[]: dns_query_times
        0
             976
        4
              309
              213
        6
        2
             143
        8
             105
        10
              19
        12
               12
        14
               2
        20
               1
               1
        Name: count, dtype: int64
In [ ]: #Drop the server column since we have it standardized and ready to go.
        df_copy = df_copy.drop(columns=["server"])
In [ ]: #Data is now clean and ready to go!
        df_copy.head()
```

Out[]:		url	url_length	number_special_characters	content_length	whois_country	whois_st
	0	M0_109	16	7	263.0	Other	
	1	B0_2314	16	6	15087.0	Other	
	2	B0_911	16	6	324.0	Other	
	3	B0_113	17	6	162.0	US	
	4	B0_403	17	6	124140.0	US	

5 rows × 21 columns

```
Section 2: Descriptive Questions
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1. How many unique URL's are in the dataset?

Answer: There are 1781 unique websites examined in the dataset.

```
In [ ]: df_copy['url'].nunique()
Out[ ]: 1781
```

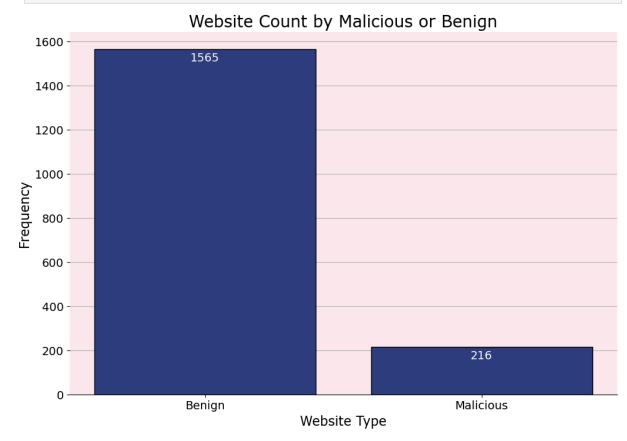
2. How many websites are malicious and how many are benign?

```
In [ ]: def plot_hist(data, plot_title, x_name, y_name, bin_amount=10, bar_color='#CC313D',
            #Custom Fonts
            font1 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':20}
            font2 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':16}
            #Create the plot, set x & y axis titles, and graph title.
            fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,8))
            n, bins, patches = ax.hist(x=data, bins=bin_amount, color=bar_color, edgecolor=
            ax.set_title(plot_title, fontdict=font1)
            ax.set_xlabel(x_name, fontdict=font2)
            ax.set_ylabel(y_name,fontdict=font2)
            #Plot Styling for axes ticks
            plt.xticks(fontsize=12)
            plt.yticks(fontsize=12)
            ax.set_facecolor(face_color)
            ax.spines["right"].set_visible(False)
            ax.spines["left"].set_visible(False)
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ax.spines["top"].set_visible(False)
   for i in range(len(patches)):
        ax.text((bins[i] + bins[i+1]) / 2, # Midpoint of the bin
                n[i] + annotate_placement, # Height of the bin
                f'{n[i]:.0f}', # Annotation text
                ha='center',
                va='top',
                color=annotate_color,
                fontsize=annotate_font)
   ax.grid(axis='y')
   plt.xticks(ha='center')
   plt.show()
def plot_bar(x_data, y_data, plot_title, x_name, y_name, bar_color='#CC313D', face_
   #Custom Fonts
   font1 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':20}
   font2 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':16}
   #Create the plot, set x & y axis titles, and graph title.
   fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,8))
   ax.bar(x=x_data, height=y_data, color=bar_color, edgecolor='black', zorder=3)
   ax.set_title(plot_title, fontdict=font1)
   ax.set_xlabel(x_name, fontdict=font2)
   ax.set_ylabel(y_name,fontdict=font2)
   ax.spines["right"].set_visible(False)
   ax.spines["left"].set_visible(False)
   ax.spines["top"].set_visible(False)
   #Plot Styling for axes ticks
   plt.xticks(fontsize=14)
   plt.yticks(fontsize=14)
   ax.set_facecolor(face_color)
   for bar in ax.patches:
        height = bar.get_height()
        ax.text(bar.get_x() + bar.get_width() / 2,
            height + annotate_placement,
            f'{height:.0f}',
            ha='center',
            va='top',
            color=annotate color,
            fontsize=annotate_font)
   ax.grid(axis='y')
   plt.xticks(ha='center')
    plt.show()
```

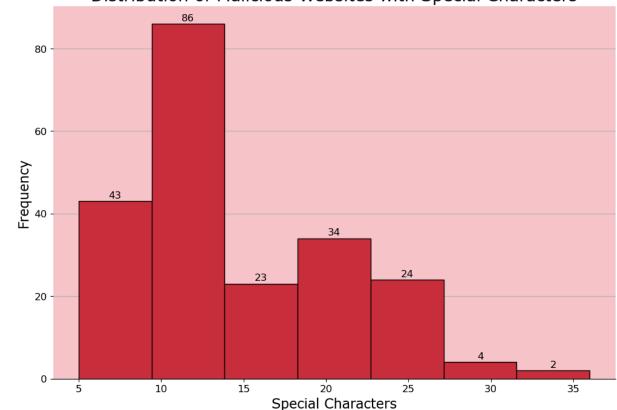
```
In [ ]: counts = df_copy['type'].value_counts()
    counts = counts.rename(index={0: 'Benign', 1: 'Malicious'})

plot_bar(counts.index, counts.values, "Website Count by Malicious or Benign", "Webs
```



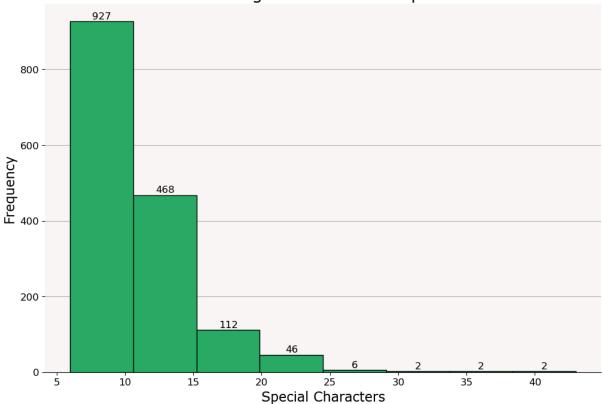
3. Do malicious websites have many special characters in their URL?



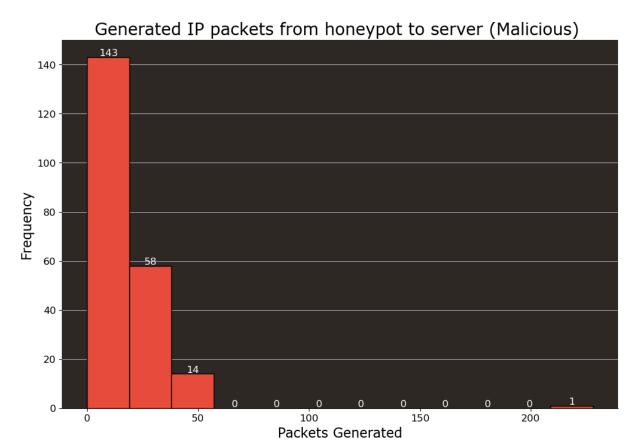


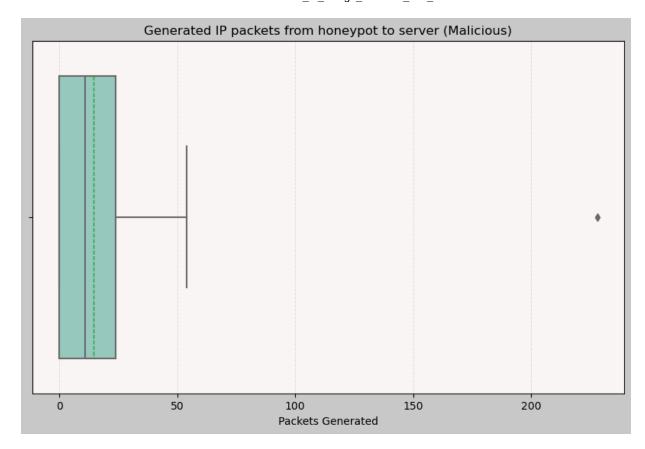
4. Do benign websites have many special characters in their url?

Distribution of Benign Websites with Special Characters

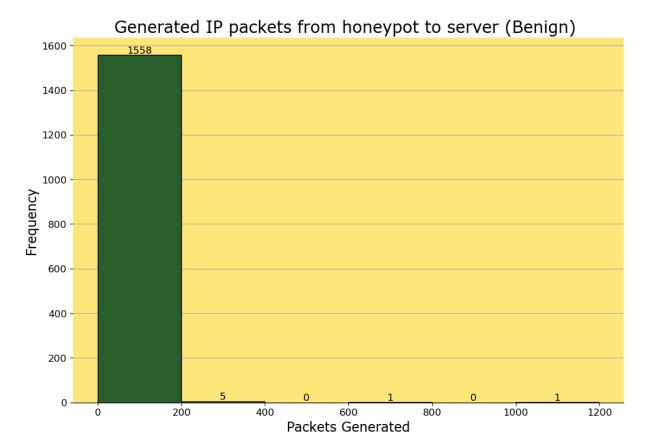


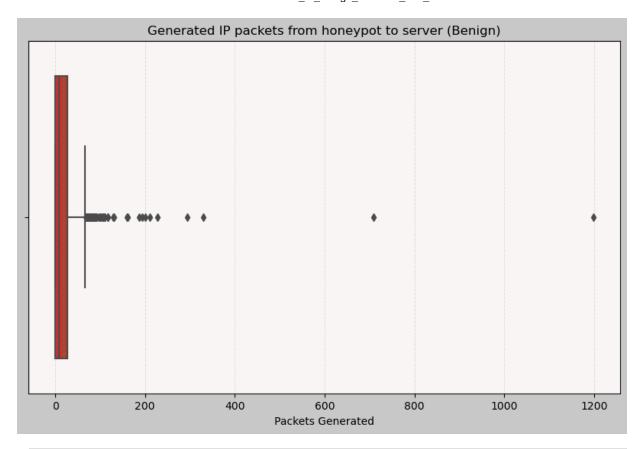
5. Do malicious websites generate many IP packets when communicating between a honeypot and the server?



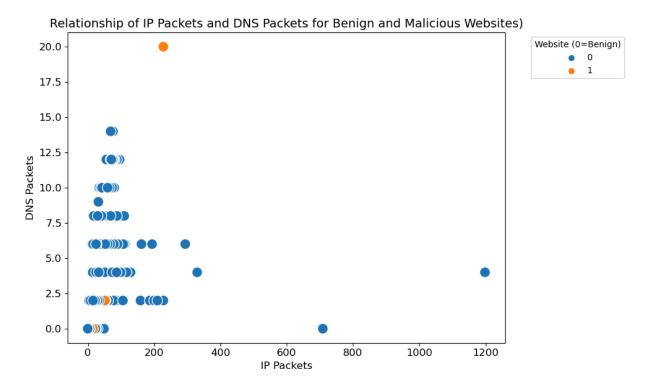


6. Do benign websites generate many IP packets when communicating between a honeypot and the server?





```
In []: # Relationship analysis for DNS Query Times and APP Packetsd
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
    sns.scatterplot(data=df_copy, x=df_copy['app_packets'], y=df_copy['dns_query_times'
    plt.title("Relationship of IP Packets and DNS Packets for Benign and Malicious Webs
    plt.xlabel('IP Packets', fontsize=12)
    plt.ylabel('DNS Packets', fontsize=12)
    plt.xticks(fontsize=12)
    plt.yticks(fontsize=12)
    plt.legend(title='Website (0=Benign)', bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper left')
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()
```



7. Which countries host the most malicious websites?

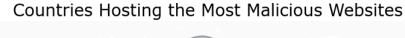
```
In [ ]: #Sort Data
        countries_malicious_df = df_copy[MALICIOUS_WEBSITES]
        MASK_COUNTRY = countries_malicious_df['whois_country'] != "Other"
        country_malicious = countries_malicious_df[MASK_COUNTRY]['whois_country'].value_cou
        #Custom Fonts
        font1 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':20}
        font2 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':16}
        #Create the plot, set x \& y axis titles, and graph title.
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,8))
        ax.bar(x=country_malicious.index, height=country_malicious.values, color='red', edg
        ax.set_title('Countries Hosting the Most Malicious Websites', fontdict=font1)
        ax.set_xlabel('Country', fontdict=font2)
        ax.set_ylabel('Amount of Websites',fontdict=font2)
        ax.spines["right"].set_visible(False)
        ax.spines["left"].set_visible(False)
        ax.spines["top"].set_visible(False)
        #Plot Styling for axes ticks
        plt.xticks(fontsize=14)
        plt.yticks(fontsize=14)
        ax.set_facecolor("white")
        # Get the current axis limits.
        x_{min}, x_{max} = ax.get_xlim()
        y_min, y_max = ax.get_ylim()
```

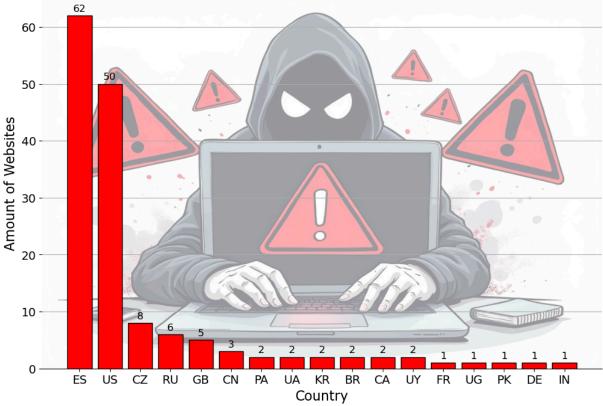
```
#Customize the graph, set image background
background = plt.imread(r'C:\Users\Chris\Documents\Flatiron\Course Materials\Phase_
ax.imshow(background, extent=[x_min, x_max, y_min, y_max], aspect='auto', alpha=0.4

for bar in ax.patches:
    height = bar.get_height()
    ax.text(bar.get_x() + bar.get_width() / 2,
        height + 2,
        f'{height:.0f}',
        ha='center',
        va='top',
        color="black",
        fontsize=12)

ax.grid(axis='y', zorder=3)
plt.xticks(ha='center')

plt.show()
```



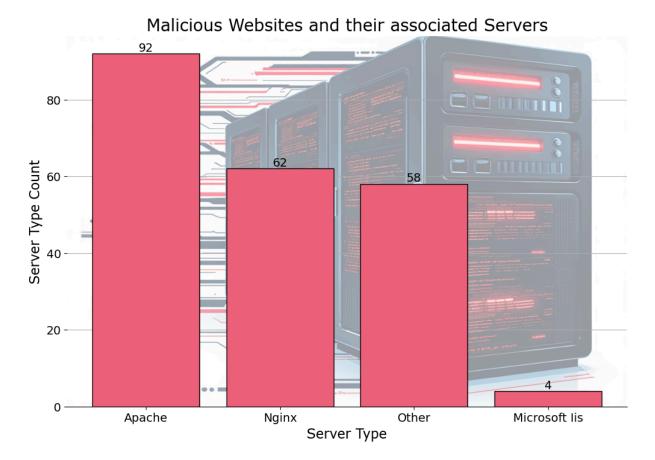


8. Of the malicious websites, what is the most common server type?

```
In []: #Sort Data
country_malicious = countries_malicious_df['standardized_server'].value_counts()
country_malicious.index = country_malicious.index.str.title()

#Custom Fonts
font1 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':20}
```

```
font2 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':16}
#Create the plot, set x & y axis titles, and graph title.
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,8))
ax.bar(x=country_malicious.index, height=country_malicious.values, color='#EF6079FF
ax.set_title('Malicious Websites and their associated Servers', fontdict=font1)
ax.set_xlabel('Server Type', fontdict=font2)
ax.set_ylabel('Server Type Count',fontdict=font2)
ax.spines["right"].set_visible(False)
ax.spines["left"].set_visible(False)
ax.spines["top"].set_visible(False)
#Plot Styling for axes ticks
plt.xticks(fontsize=14)
plt.yticks(fontsize=14)
ax.set_facecolor("white")
# Get the current axis limits.
x_min, x_max = ax.get_xlim()
y_min, y_max = ax.get_ylim()
#Customize the graph, set image background
background = plt.imread(r'C:\Users\Chris\Documents\Flatiron\Course Materials\Phase
ax.imshow(background, extent=[x_min, x_max, y_min, y_max], aspect='auto', alpha=0.4
for bar in ax.patches:
   height = bar.get_height()
   ax.text(bar.get_x() + bar.get_width() / 2,
        height + 3,
        f'{height:.0f}',
        ha='center',
        va='top',
        color="black",
        fontsize=14)
ax.grid(axis='y', zorder=3)
plt.xticks(ha='center')
plt.show()
```

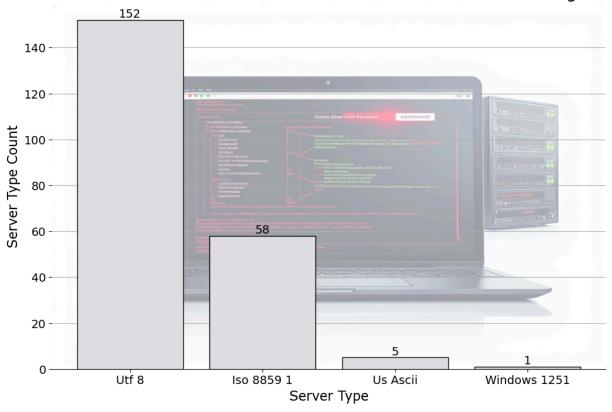


9. Of the malicious websites, what is the most common server character encoding?

```
In [ ]: #Sort Data
        country_malicious = countries_malicious_df['charset_imputed'].value_counts()
        country_malicious.index = country_malicious.index.str.title()
        #Custom Fonts
        font1 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':20}
        font2 = {'family':'verdana','color':'#000000','size':16}
        #Create the plot, set x \& y axis titles, and graph title.
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12,8))
        ax.bar(x=country_malicious.index, height=country_malicious.values, color='#DFDCE5FF
        ax.set_title('Malicious Websites and their associated Character Encoding', fontdict
        ax.set_xlabel('Server Type', fontdict=font2)
        ax.set_ylabel('Server Type Count',fontdict=font2)
        ax.spines["right"].set_visible(False)
        ax.spines["left"].set_visible(False)
        ax.spines["top"].set_visible(False)
        #Plot Styling for axes ticks
        plt.xticks(fontsize=14)
        plt.yticks(fontsize=14)
        ax.set_facecolor("white")
```

```
# Get the current axis limits.
x_min, x_max = ax.get_xlim()
y_min, y_max = ax.get_ylim()
#Customize the graph, set image background
background = plt.imread(r'C:\Users\Chris\Documents\Flatiron\Course Materials\Phase_
ax.imshow(background, extent=[x_min, x_max, y_min, y_max], aspect='auto', alpha=0.4
for bar in ax.patches:
    height = bar.get_height()
    ax.text(bar.get_x() + bar.get_width() / 2,
        height + 5,
        f'{height:.0f}',
        ha='center',
        va='top',
        color="black",
        fontsize=14)
ax.grid(axis='y', zorder=3)
plt.xticks(ha='center')
plt.show()
```

Malicious Websites and their associated Character Encoding



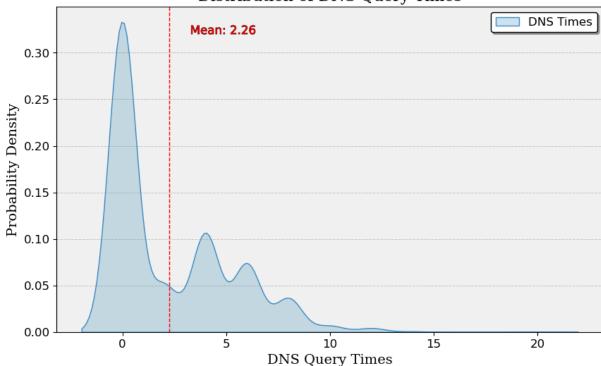
Section 3: Inferential Analysis (All Tests 95% Significance Level)

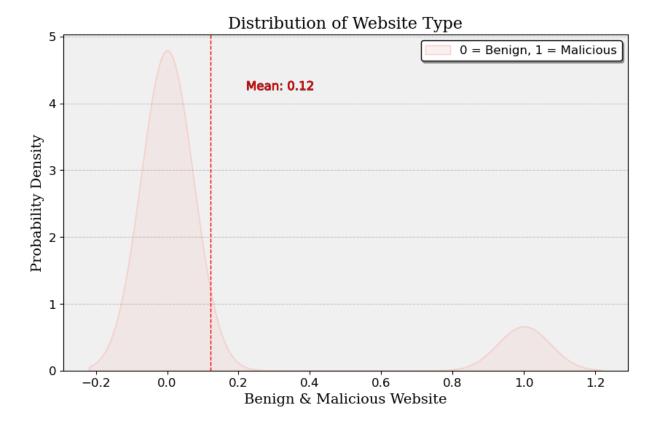
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In [ ]: #Function for testing our hypothesis.
        def test_outcome(pvalue, alpha=0.05):
            if pvalue < alpha:</pre>
                return "Reject the null hypothesis."
            else:
                return "Fail to reject the null hypothesis."
        #KDE Function for beautified graphs.
        def plot_kde(column, title, x_name, label, x_val, y_val, color='#408EC6', legend_lo
            #Font dictionaries for custom styling
            font1 = {'family':'serif','color':'black','size':16}
            font2 = {'family':'serif','color':'black','size':14}
            #Set up the plot
            fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 6))
            #KDE plot
            sns.kdeplot(data=df_copy, x=column, color=color, label=label, fill=True)
            #Labeling axes, customizing font sizes and styles, adjust tick sizes, and setti
            plt.title(title, fontdict=font1)
            plt.xlabel(x_name, fontdict=font2)
            plt.ylabel('Probability Density', fontdict=font2)
            plt.xticks(fontsize=12)
            plt.yticks(fontsize=12)
            plt.grid(axis='y', linestyle='--', linewidth=0.7, color='gray', alpha=0.4)
            ax.set facecolor('#f0f0f0')
            # Add a vertical line at the mean
            mean_points = df_copy[column].mean()
            plt.axvline(mean_points, color='red', linestyle='--', linewidth=1)
            plt.text(mean_points - x_val, y_val, f'Mean: {mean_points:.2f}', color='red', f
                                       path effects.Normal()])
            # Add Legend
            plt.legend(loc=legend_loc, fontsize=12, frameon=True, fancybox=True, shadow=Tru
            plt.show()
        #Function for hypothesis testing.
        def multi_sample_test(dataset1, dataset2, x1, x2, label1, label2, title, xname, yna
                               dataset3=None, x3=None, label3=None,
                               dataset4=None, x4=None, label4=None,
                               kde_color1='#fbb30b', kde_color2='#9ce15b', kde_color3='#5d8a
            font3 = {'family':'fantasy','color':'black','size':20}
            font4 = {'family':'fantasy','color':'black','size':14}
            # Set up the plot
            plt.figure(figsize=(12 if dataset4 is None else 14, 7))
            # KDE plots
            sns.kdeplot(data=dataset1, x=x1, color=kde_color1, label=label1, fill=True, alp
            sns.kdeplot(data=dataset2, x=x2, color=kde_color2, label=label2, fill=True, alp
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if dataset3 is not None:
    sns.kdeplot(data=dataset3, x=x3, color=kde color3, label=label3, fill=True,
if dataset4 is not None:
    sns.kdeplot(data=dataset4, x=x4, color=kde_color4, label=label4, fill=True,
# Labeling axes, customizing font sizes and styles, adjust tick sizes, and sett
plt.title(title, fontdict=font3)
plt.xlabel(xname, fontdict=font4)
plt.ylabel(yname, fontdict=font4)
plt.xticks(fontsize=12)
plt.yticks(fontsize=12)
ax = plt.gca()
ax.set_facecolor('#f0f0f0')
# Add Legend
plt.grid(True, which='both', axis='y', linestyle='--', linewidth=0.7, color='gr
plt.legend(loc='upper right', fontsize=12, frameon=True, fancybox=True, shadow=
           facecolor='white', edgecolor='black', ncol=1 if dataset4 is None els
plt.show()
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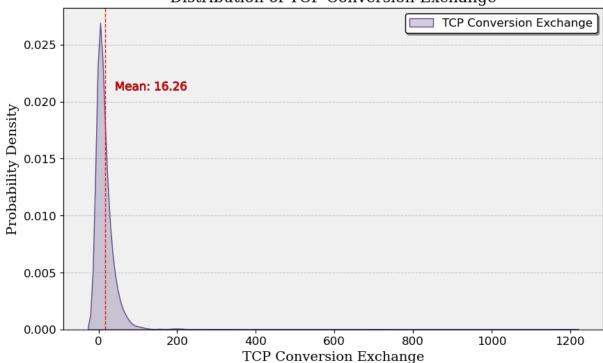
First I will inspect the distribution of my data via a KDE plot for numerous columns.

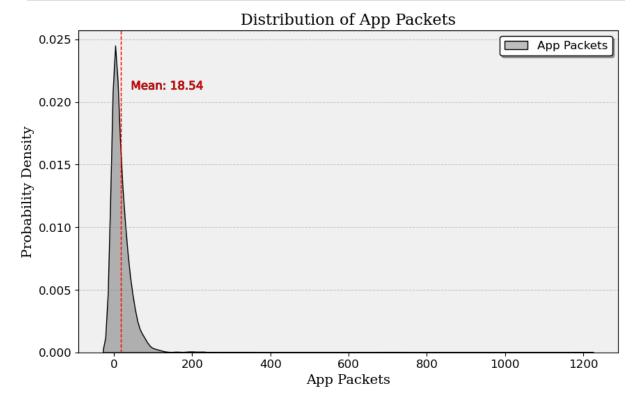


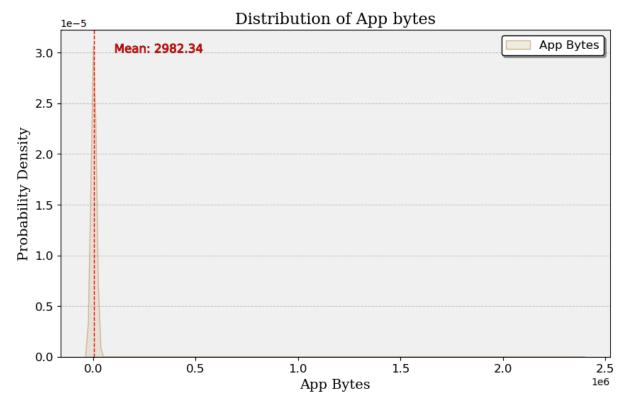




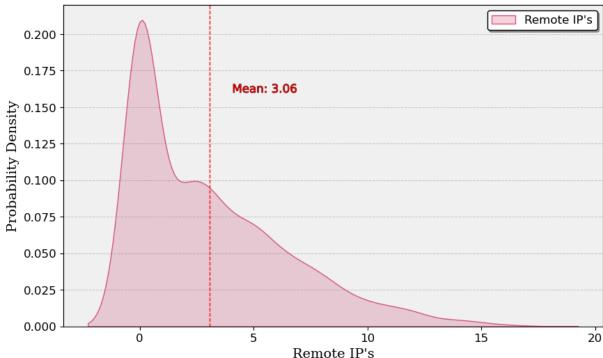








Distribution of Remote IP's



Based off of all the analysis I have conducted so far, visually speaking, my data is not normally and in fact, it is positively skewed. However, just for good measure, let's perform a Shapiro-Wilkes test to test for normality on specific columns.

```
In []: #Performing normality test on app bytes column.

stat, p_val = stats.shapiro(df_copy['app_bytes'])
print(f"The P-Value calculated from the test is: {p_val}.")

# Interpret the results
alpha = 0.05
if p_val > alpha:
    print('Sample looks Gaussian (fail to reject H0)')
else:
    print('Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)')
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The P-Value calculated from the test is: 0.0. Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)

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In []: #Performing normality test on remote_ips column.

stat, p_val = stats.shapiro(df_copy['remote_ips'])
print(f"The P-Value calculated from the test is: {p_val}.")

# Interpret the results
alpha = 0.05
if p_val > alpha:
    print('Sample looks Gaussian (fail to reject H0)')
else:
    print('Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)')
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The P-Value calculated from the test is: 1.739388203384155e-38. Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)

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In []: #Performing normality test on type column.

stat, p_val = stats.shapiro(df_copy['type'])
print(f"The P-Value calculated from the test is: {p_val}.")

# Interpret the results
alpha = 0.05
if p_val > alpha:
    print('Sample looks Gaussian (fail to reject H0)')
else:
    print('Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)')
```

The P-Value calculated from the test is: 0.0. Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)

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In []: #Performing normality test on dns query times column.

stat, p_val = stats.shapiro(df_copy['dns_query_times'])
    print(f"The P-Value calculated from the test is: {p_val}.")

# Interpret the results
    alpha = 0.05
    if p_val > alpha:
        print('Sample looks Gaussian (fail to reject H0)')
    else:
        print('Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)')
```

The P-Value calculated from the test is: 8.407790785948902e-45. Sample does not look Gaussian (reject H0)

After visually inspecting the data and performing Shapiro-Wilk tests on specific columns, it is safe to say we are dealing with non-normal data. As such, the following statistical tests that I will be performing will be for non-normal data. (IE: Mann-Whitney U Test, Kruskal-Wallis H Test, Etc.)

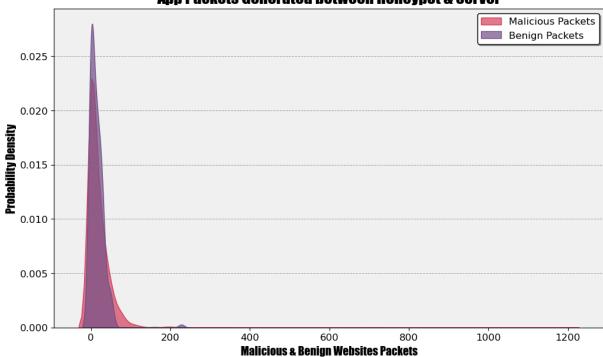
1. Is there a significant difference between benign websites and malicious websites total number of IP app packets generated during communication between the honeypot and server? (Mann-Whitney U Test)

 H_0 : There is no difference between the total number of IP app packets generated during communication between the honeypot and server.

 H_1 : There is a difference between the total number of IP app packets generated during communication between the honeypot and server.

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In [ ]: #Declaring variables to plot data.
        benign_df = df_copy[BENIGN_WEBSITES]
        benign_app_packets = benign_df['app_packets']
        malicious app packets = malicious df['app packets']
        #Call function to plot data.
        multi_sample_test(dataset1=benign_app_packets,
                         dataset2=malicious_app_packets,
                          x1=benign_app_packets,
                         x2=malicious_app_packets,
                         label1="Malicious Packets",
                         label2="Benign Packets",
                          title="App Packets Generated between Honeypot & Server",
                          xname="Malicious & Benign Websites Packets",
                         yname="Probability Density",
                               dataset3=None, x3=None, label3=None,
                               dataset4=None, x4=None, label4=None,
                               kde_color1='#D64161FF', kde_color2='#76528BFF', kde_color3='#
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App Packets Generated between Honeypot & Server



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In []: #Call function to test outcome.
stat, p_val = mannwhitneyu(benign_app_packets, malicious_app_packets)
print(f"The P-Value calculated from the test is: {p_val}.")
alpha = 0.05
test_outcome(p_val, alpha=alpha)
```

The P-Value calculated from the test is: 0.6899548701963913.

Out[]: 'Fail to reject the null hypothesis.'

Interpretation

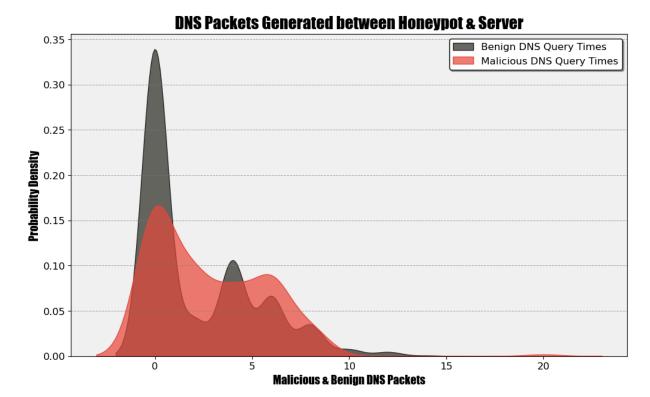
Based on our test outcome, we have found that there is no difference between the means of both groups of malicious and benign websites app packets generated.

2. Is there a significant difference between benign websites and malicious websites DNS packets generated?

 H_0 : There is no difference between the DNS packets generated for benign websites and malicious websites.

 H_1 : There is a difference between the DNS packets generated for benign websites and malicious websites.

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In [ ]: #Declared variables to plot data
        benign query times = benign df['dns query times']
        malicious_query_times = malicious_df['dns_query_times']
        #Call function to plot data.
        multi_sample_test(dataset1=benign_query_times,
                         dataset2=malicious_query_times,
                         x1=benign_query_times,
                         x2=malicious_query_times,
                         label1="Benign DNS Query Times",
                         label2="Malicious DNS Query Times",
                         title="DNS Packets Generated between Honeypot & Server",
                          xname="Malicious & Benign DNS Packets",
                         yname="Probability Density",
                               dataset3=None, x3=None, label3=None,
                               dataset4=None, x4=None, label4=None,
                               kde_color1='#2D2926FF', kde_color2='#E94B3CFF', kde_color3='#
```



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In [ ]: stat, p_val = mannwhitneyu(benign_query_times, malicious_query_times)
    print(f"The P-Value calculated from the test is: {p_val}.")
    alpha = 0.05
    test_outcome(p_val, alpha=alpha)
```

The P-Value calculated from the test is: 8.972551409301633e-05.

Out[]: 'Reject the null hypothesis.'

Interpretation

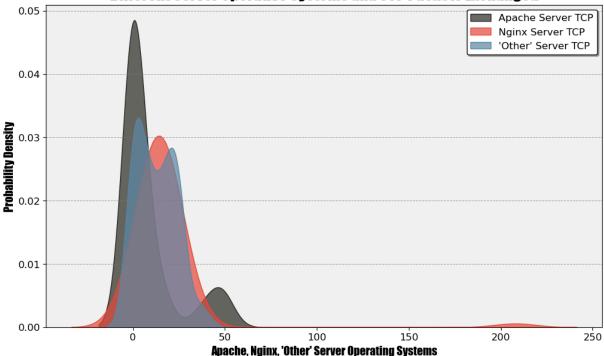
Based on our test outcome, we have found that there is a statistically significant difference between the means of both groups of malicious and benign websites DNS packets generated, and therefore warrants additional research.

3. For malicious websites, is there a significant difference for apache, nginx and other servers tcp packets exchanged? (Kruskal-Wallis H Test)

- $H_0: \mu_{apache} = \mu_{nainx} = \mu_{other}$
- $H_a: H_0$ is not true

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In [ ]: #Sort Data for plotting
    malicious_apache_server = malicious_df[malicious_df["standardized_server"] == "apac
    malicious_nginx_server = malicious_df[malicious_df["standardized_server"] == "nginx
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In [ ]: stat, p_value = kruskal(malicious_apache_server, malicious_nginx_server, malicious_
print(f"The P-Value calculated from the test is: {p_val}.")

test_outcome(p_value, alpha=alpha)
```

The P-Value calculated from the test is: 8.972551409301633e-05.

Out[]: 'Reject the null hypothesis.'

Interpretation

Based on our test outcome, we have found that the null hypothesis is not true and there is a statistically significant difference between the means of all groups, and therefore warrants additional research.

Section 4: Analysis & Conclusion

Analysis

The dataset was initially quite messy and required extensive data cleaning before it could be used for visualization. One of the significant tasks was standardizing the server column, which originally contained multiple versions for each specific operating system type. I cleaned and grouped these into a standardized format. Other columns also needed considerable attention. For instance, the whois_country column had inconsistent representations for countries, such as Great Britain being listed as "England," "Britain," and "Great Britain." Additionally, there were variations in text formats between uppercase and lowercase, necessitating further cleaning. After thorough data cleaning, the dataset was well-prepared for both descriptive and inferential analysis.

The descriptive analysis yielded interesting insights. The dataset revealed that there are nearly six times more benign websites than malicious ones. Spain hosts the most malicious websites, followed by the United States. In terms of operating systems, Apache and Nginx are the most popular among malicious websites. Nginx servers, in particular, are favored for their ability to handle the 'c10k' problem, which Apache's thread-based structure struggles with. This suggests that some malicious websites are designed to handle high traffic, possibly to maximize their impact. Additionally, UTF-8 was the main character encoding scheme used by malicious websites, followed by ISO-8859-1 (Latin-1). UTF-8 is a multibyte encoding that can represent any Unicode character, whereas ISO-8859-1 is a single-byte encoding. The use of UTF-8 indicates that malicious servers may require more versatile encoding capabilities.

For the inferential analysis, I formulated and tested three key questions. Initially, I generated Kernel Density Estimation (KDE) plots, which visually indicated that the data distributions were not normal and were mostly positively skewed. To confirm this, I conducted multiple Shapiro-Wilk tests, and in every case, the null hypothesis was rejected, confirming that the samples are not Gaussian. The first question I asked was whether there is a significant difference between the total number of IP app packets generated during communication between the honeypot and the server for benign and malicious websites. To test this, I conducted a Mann-Whitney U test, with the null hypothesis stating that there is no difference between the groups, and the alternative hypothesis stating that there is a difference. The result of the test led us to fail to reject the null hypothesis, indicating no significant difference between the means of both groups.

The second question I addressed was whether there is a significant difference between the DNS querying times for benign and malicious websites. Again, I used a Mann-Whitney U test, with the null hypothesis being that there is no difference in DNS querying times

between the two groups, and the alternative hypothesis being that there is a difference. The test results led us to reject the null hypothesis, finding a statistically significant difference in DNS querying times between the two groups, which warrants further research.

The final question I posed was whether there is a significant difference in TCP packets exchanged among Apache, Nginx, and other servers for malicious websites. For this, I conducted a Kruskal-Wallis H test. The null hypothesis stated that the mean TCP packets exchanged among these server types are equal, while the alternative hypothesis suggested otherwise. The results of the test led us to reject the null hypothesis, indicating a statistically significant difference in TCP packets exchanged among the three server types, which also warrants additional research.

Overall, this exploratory data analysis was both challenging and enlightening. In the next section, I will explore machine learning techniques to see if we can develop a model that can predict whether a website is malicious or benign.

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