```python
from scapy.all import rdpcap, TCP, IP
import sys
from collections import defaultdict

def analyze_pcap(pcap_file):
    try:
        packets = rdpcap(pcap_file)
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Error reading PCAP file: {e}")
        return

    syn_counts = defaultdict(int)
    syn_ack_counts = defaultdict(int)

    for pkt in packets:
        if IP in pkt and TCP in pkt:
            ip_src = pkt[IP].src
            ip_dst = pkt[IP].dst
            tcp_flags = pkt[TCP].flags

            if tcp_flags == 'S':
                syn_counts[ip_src] += 1
            elif tcp_flags == 'SA':
                syn_ack_counts[ip_dst] += 1

    suspicious_ips = []
    for ip in syn_counts:
        syn = syn_counts[ip]
        syn_ack = syn_ack_counts.get(ip, 0)

        if syn >= 3 * syn_ack:
            suspicious_ips.append(ip)

    for ip in sorted(suspicious_ips):
        print(ip)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    if len(sys.argv) != 2:
        print("Usage: python syn_scanner.py <pcap_file>")
        sys.exit(1)
    analyze_pcap(sys.argv[1])
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The script starts by loading the PCAP file and then iterates through each packet, checking if it contains IP and TCP layers. For every packet, it looks for SYN and SYN-ACK. It keeps track of how many SYN packets each IP sends and how many SYN-ACK responses they receive. If an IP sends at least three times more SYN packets than it gets SYN-ACK replies, it's flagged as suspicious.

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erfan@erfan-virtual-machine:~/Desktop/ECS/CA3/P3$ python3 syn_scanner.py reduced_sample.pcap
128.3.164.248
128.3.164.249
128.3.23.117
128.3.23.158
128.3.23.2
128.3.23.5
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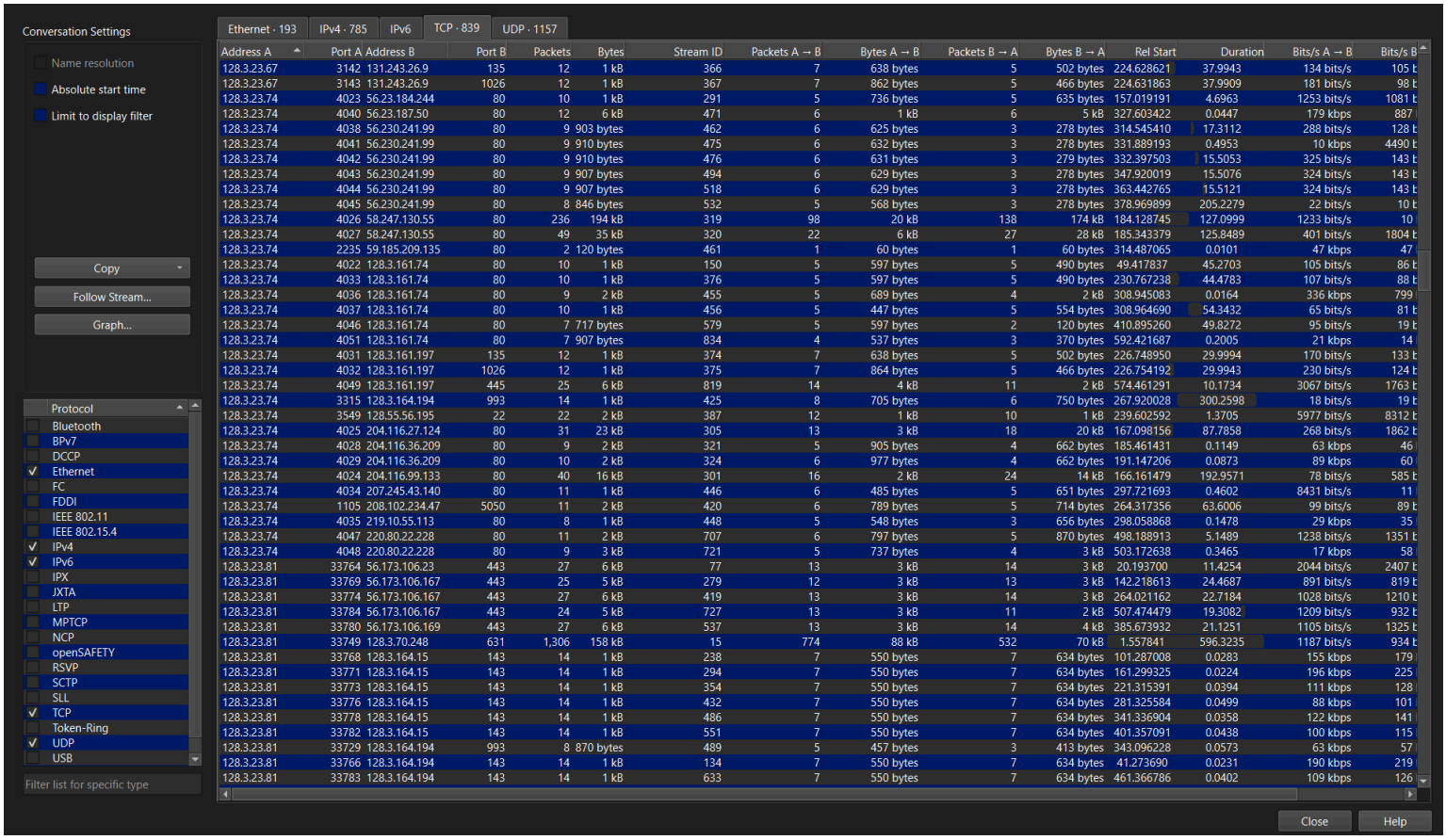
Question:

In the top menu, we select Statistics > Conversations. A new window opens with several tabs. We choose the TCP tab. Here, we can see all TCP connections between pairs of IP addresses and ports. We click the column Address A to sort by the sender IPs. We look for one source IP that appears repeatedly as the initiator with many different destination IPs or ports. If we see one IP with many connections (and especially if these are short conversations with only a few packets each), that is suspicious for scanning or SYN flood.

128.3.23.74 is initiating connections to many IPs/ports (a pattern of a port scan or network scan). Most connections are short-lived (under 15 packets) (probe and move on). It's not just HTTP (80) or one service (the behavior of a scanner looking for open services). This activity strongly suggests that 128.3.23.74 is performing a network scan.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TCP · 839
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