
PktSniffer

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PACKET SUMMARY

To get the summary of the ethernet header, you can use the `get_eth_summary()` function:

```
pktsniffer.get_eth_summary(packet)
```

Print selected ethernet header properties in a formatted manner

Parameters

packet (*pyshark packet*) – required packet to be summarized

To get the summary of the ip header, you can use the `get_ip_summary()` function:

```
pktsniffer.get_ip_summary(packet)
```

Print selected ip header properties in a formatted manner

Parameters

packet (*pyshark packet*) – required packet to be summarized

To get the summary of an encapsulated packet, you can use the `get_encapsulated_packets_summary()` function:

```
pktsniffer.get_encapsulated_packets_summary(packet)
```

Print any encapsulated packet(s) in a given packet (not specially formatted, does not extract specific properties)

Parameters

packet (*pyshark packet*) – required packet to be summarized

To get all available packet summaries, you can use the `get_packet_summary()` function:

```
pktsniffer.get_packet_summary(packet)
```

Print all available header summaries for a given packet

Parameters

packet (*pyshark packet*) – required packet to be summarized

To filter a list of packets by a host address, you can use the `filter_by_host()` function:

```
pktsniffer.filter_by_host(packets, host)
```

Filter all packets if they contain the host address in either the packet ip source property or the packet destination property

Parameters

- **packets** (*list[pyshark packet]*) – List of packets
- **host** (*MAC address*) – host to filter by

Returns

the filtered list

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To filter a list of packets by a port, you can use the `filter_by_port()` function:

`pktsniffer.filter_by_port(packets, port)`

Filter all packets if they contain the port in either the encapsulated packet source property or encapsulated packet destination property

Parameters

- **packets** (*list[pyshark packet]*) – List of packets
- **port** – port to filter by

Returns

the filtered list

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To check if a packet has a certain port number, you can use the `has_port()` function:

`pktsniffer.has_port(packet, port)`

Check if a packet has a port number in a encapsulated TCP or UDP packet at the source or destination property

Parameters

- **packet** (*pyshark packet*) – the packet to be checked
- **port** (*Int*) – the port number

Returns

the boolean value indicating if the packet has the port

Return type

boolean

To filter a list of packets by a ip version, you can use the `filter_by_ip()` function:

`pktsniffer.filter_by_ip(packets, ip)`

Filter all packets if they contain the ip version in the packet ip header

Parameters

- **packets** (*list[pyshark packet]*) – List of packets
- **ip** (*Int*) – ip version to filter by

Returns

the filtered list

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To filter a list of packets by a net, you can use the `filter_by_net()` function:

`pktsniffer.filter_by_net(packets, net)`

Filter all packets if they contain an encapsulated icmp packet

Parameters

packets (*list[pyshark packet]*) – List of packets

Returns

the filtered list

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To filter a list of packets by a tcp, you can use the `filter_by_tcp()` function:

`pktsniffer.filter_by_tcp(packets)`

Filter all packets if they contain the same address in either the packet ip source or destination property

Parameters

- **packets** (*list[pyshark packet]*) – List of packets
- **net** (*MAC address*) – net to filter by

Returns

the filtered list

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To filter a list of packets by a udp, you can use the `filter_by_udp()` function:

`pktsniffer.filter_by_udp(packets)`

Filter all packets if they contain an encapsulated tcp packet

Parameters

packets (*list[pyshark packet]*) – List of packets

Returns

the filtered list

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To filter a list of packets by a icmp, you can use the `filter_by_icmp()` function:

`pktsniffer.filter_by_icmp(packets)`

Filter all packets if they contain an encapsulated udp packet

Parameters

packets (*list[pyshark packet]*) – List of packets

Returns

the filtered list

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To filter a list of packets by all filters, use the `filter_packets()` function:

`pktsniffer.filter_packets(packets, filters)`

This function uses all the filtering helper functions to filter a list of packets given a set of (active) filters

Parameters

- **packets** (*list[pyshark packet]*) – list of packets
- **filters** (*map<string, value>*) – the filters to use in filtering the packets

Returns

list of filtered packets

Return type

list[pyshark packet]

To initiate the program parser, you can use the `initialize_parser()` function:

`pktsniffer.initialize_parser()`

This function creates and defines the parser for the packet sniffer program, including file arguments, filtering arguments, and count arguments

Returns

the initialized parser

Return type

ArgParser