

# Finding Needles in Haystacks (the size of countries)

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# Two Rules

# The Landscape.



# Exhibit A

- CVE-2011-3192 - “Apache Killer”
- auxiliary/dos/http/apache\_range\_dos 2011-08-19  
normal Apache Range header DoS (Apache Killer)
- Snort 1:19825
- /Range\s\*\x3A\s\*bytes=( $[\backslash d\backslash x2D]^+\backslash x2C$ ){50}/Hsmi
- /Range\s\*\x3A\s\*bytes=( $[\backslash d\backslash x2D]^+[\backslash x2C\backslash s]^*$ ){50}/  
Hsmi

# Prevention Fails.

**Detection is the key.**

**NSM - “focused on providing an intrusion analyst with the best possible information in the shortest amount of time” - NSMWiki**



# Network Security Monitoring

- Advocates focus on detection and that prevention will fail.
- Believes in inventoried and defensible networks.
- Build entropy from alert (attack) information.
- Provide analysts with accurate information as fast as possible.

# Tools collect.

**People analyze.**

# Network Security Monitoring

- Squil
- Argus
- Flowgrep
- Snort and Suricata
- Bro
- Network Miner
- Netwitness



**It's all about Context.**

# Context

- Enriched information, not just IP Addresses.
- Additional intelligence on attackers.
- Allow you to perform detective work
- What if? Branch analysis and exploring data.
- Providing full fidelity and full context quickly.

# Full Packet Capture

- Complete record of all network data.
- Provides the highest fidelity to analysts.
- Only way to really understand subtle, targeted attacks.
- Play, pause and rewind your network.
- No need to have a specific logging setup.

**NSM + FPC  
> % OPTIONS**





Monitoring on the MicroCloud

# Using n2disk for 10 Gbit line-rate packet-to-disk

on OCTOBER 14, 2012

Packet-to-disk is the ability to dump network packets to disk. This activity is important for implementing a sort of "network time machine" so that when something unexpected happens, you have the ability to access the raw packets and thus inspect the cause of the problems. Implementing efficient packet-to-disk requires high-speed packet capture, speedy disks, and efficient packet dump software.

We started to work on this field, a few years ago when creating a packet-to-disk application for 1 Gbit networks, named *n2disk*. Today we are introducing the second generation of *n2disk* that has been further optimised for 10 Gbit networks. Leveraging on PF\_RING DNA, *n2disk* can dump packets on disk using the industry-standard pcap format at 10 Gbit line rate, minimal size packets. All you need to have is a fast storage system and an *adequate system* to run *n2disk* on. As you can read on the *n2disk* home page, we have the ability to:

- Filter packets during capture using BPF-like filters.
- Dump packets with nano-second timestamps (precise timestamping card required such as Silicom 10G timestamp adapter).
- Index packets on the fly, during packet capture, for fast packet retrieval.
- Search disk-stored packets within a specified time-boundary, using BPF-like filters leveraging on the *n2disk* packet search companion tools.

Unlike costly proprietary packet-to-disk solutions, *n2disk* can run on commodity hardware using DNA-aware network adapters. Contrary to the common belief that packet-to-disk solutions are expensive and based on proprietary (i.e. non-pcap) dump formats, *n2disk* demonstrates that this statement is no longer true making packet-to-disk a commodity activity.

For more information about *n2disk* features and configuration options, please refer to the *n2disk* home page and *n2disk User's Guide*. Those who are looking for an affordable turn-key packet-to-disk solution, can instead have a look at the *nBox recorder*.

bit.ly/Rdrl6M

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**“The difficulty shifts from traffic collection to traffic analysis. If you can store hundreds of gigabytes of traffic per day, how do you make sense of it?”**  
**- Richard Bejtlich**

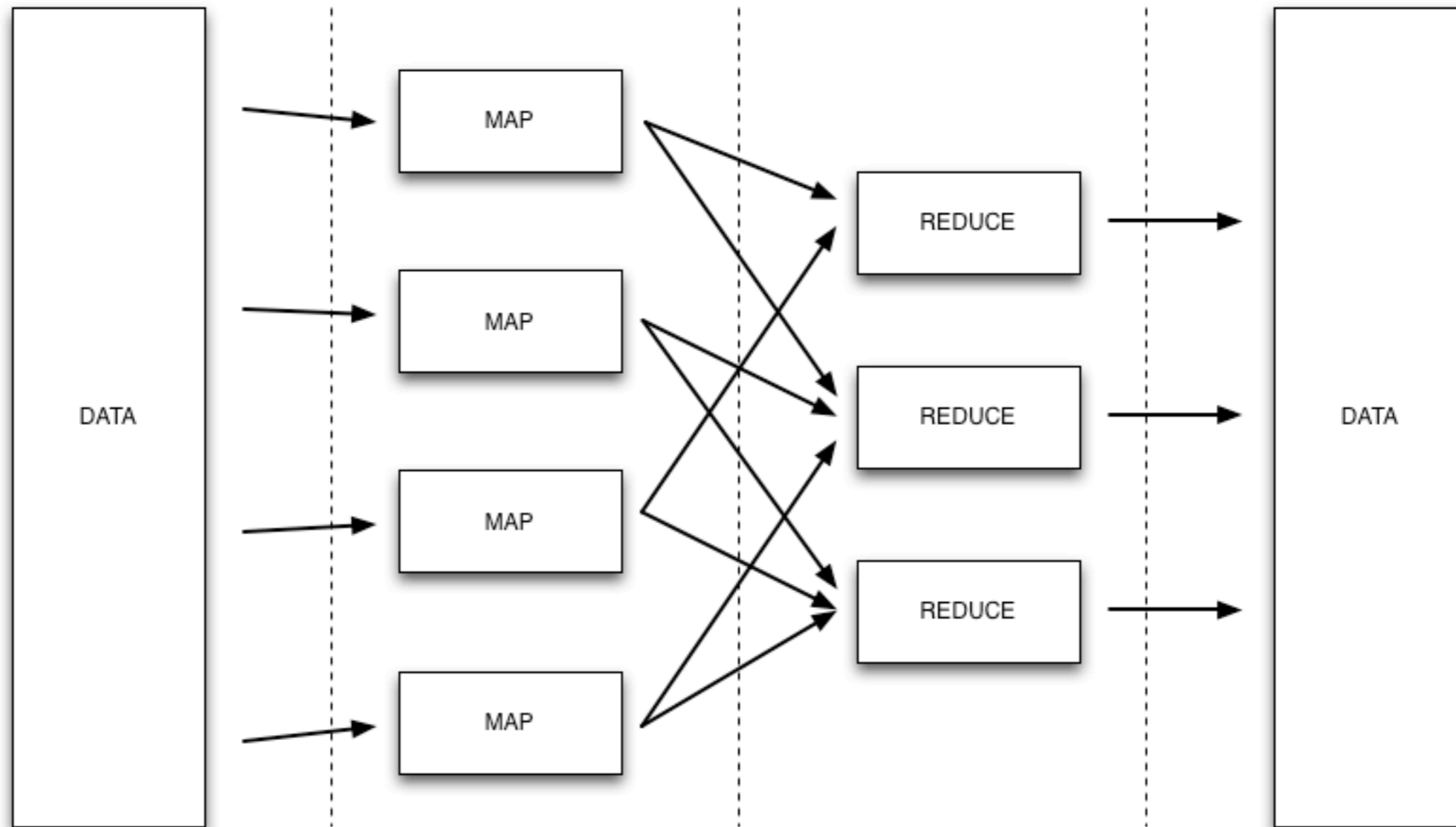
**Big Data is a collection of data sets so large and complex that it becomes difficult to process using on-hand database management tools. The challenges include capture, curation, storage, search, sharing, analysis, and visualization.**  
**- Wikipedia**

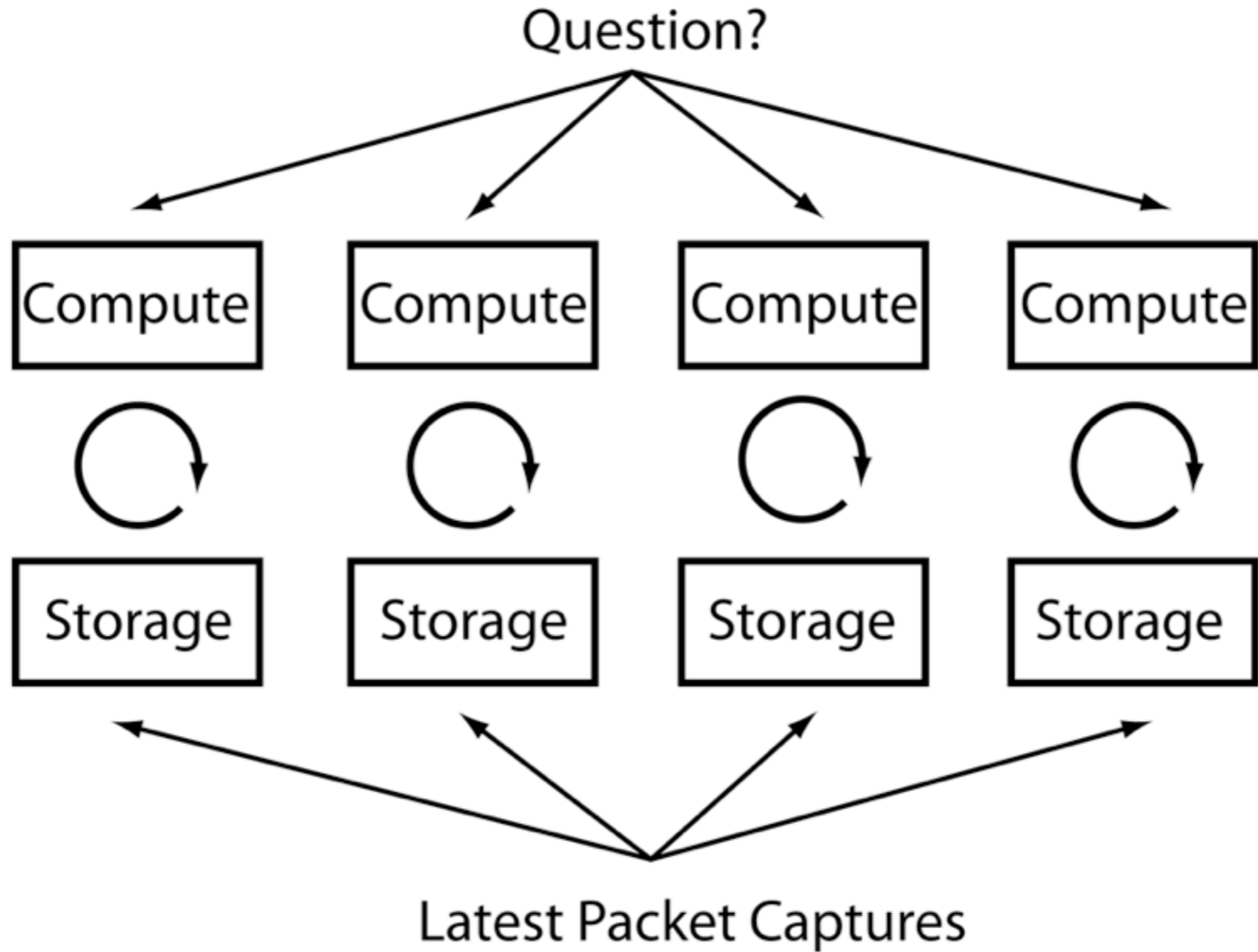
# Big Data

- Cloud - Elastic compute and Cheap Storage
- Map Reduce - parallel computation
- Pig, Hive - avoid writing M/R
- NoSQL - Cassandra and Mongo



# Map Reduce



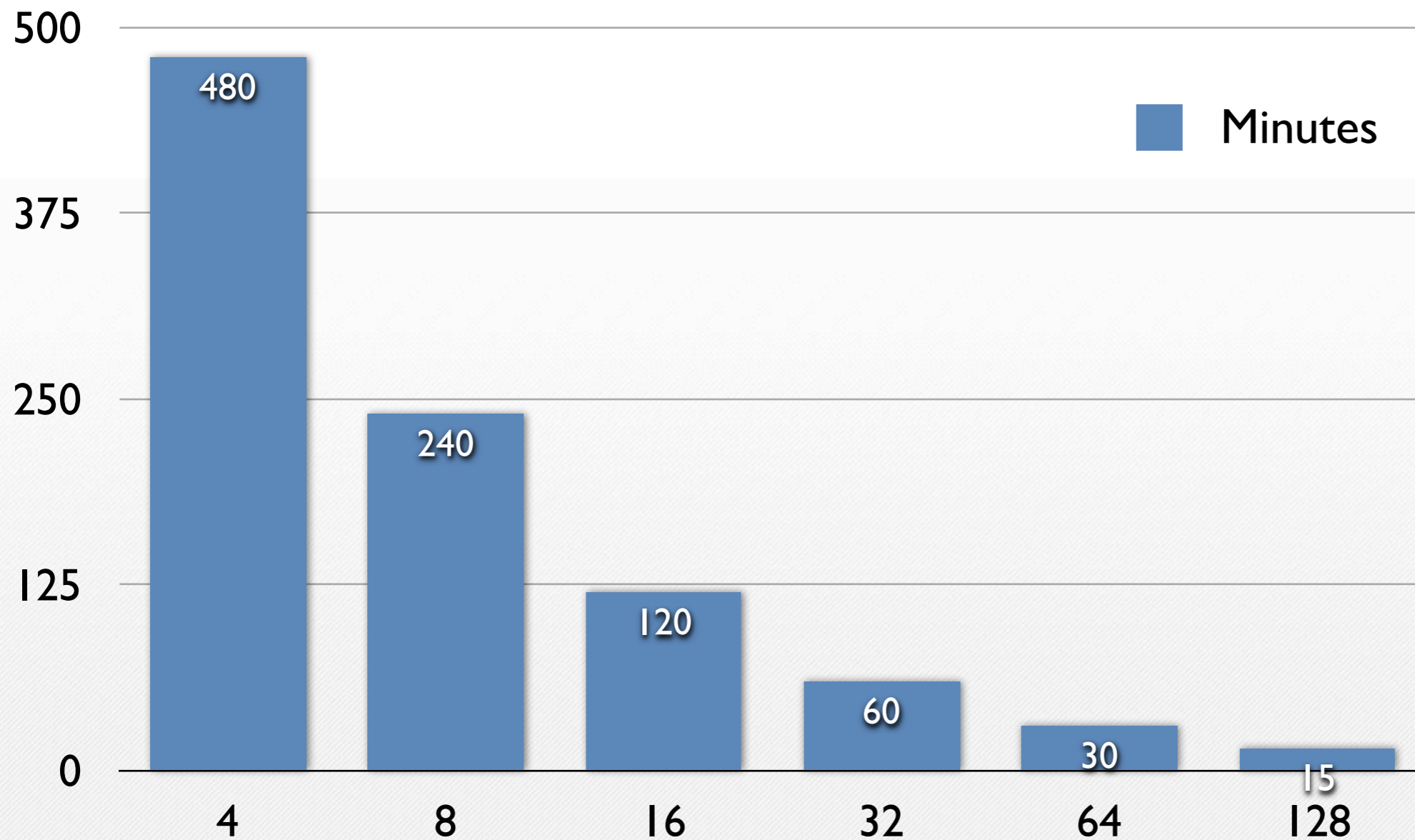


# Big Data Scale

- I want to ask a 2.5TB question
  - Process 2.5TB, 8 hours, 4 Compute units.
  - Process 2.5TB, 4 hours , 8 Compute units.
  - Process 2.5TB, 2 hours, 16 Compute units.
  - Process 2.5TB, 1 hour, 32 Compute units.
  - Process 2.5 TB, 30 minutes, 64 Compute units.
  - Process 2.5 TB , 15 minutes, 128 Compute units.
- Scale my compute to answer my question.

# Big Data Scale

Complex Job (Approx 2.5TB)



# History

- Google Map Reduce Whitepaper (2004)
- Google File System Whitepaper (2003)
- Hadoop is an Apache Project for M/R (2007)
- Hadoop File System is a distributed file system for Hadoop nodes (2007)
- Pig is a data analysis language to ease the creation of Map / Reduce jobs that run on Hadoop Clusters (2008)

# @packetpig

- @packetpig = Packets (FPC) + Pig
- Pig uses a data flow language called Pig Latin.
- Executes Map/Reduce Jobs over Hadoop Clusters.
- Works identically on-premise or in the cloud (Amazon's EMR)

# Features

- Full access to IP packets at scale.
- Threat Analysis (Snort)
- Traffic Analysis.
- Flow-based deep packet inspection.
- Geo-Location
- Passive OS Detection (p0f)
- File Dissection



The image shows an IDE window with a project structure on the left and a code editor on the right. The project structure is as follows:

- com
  - maxmind.geoup
  - packetloop.packetpig
    - loaders.pcap
      - conversation
        - ConversationLoader
        - ConversationRecordReader
      - detection
        - FingerprintLoader
        - FingerprintRecordReader
        - FingerprintTuple
        - SnortLoader
        - SnortRecordReader
      - file
        - ConversationFileLoader
        - ConversationFileRecordReader
      - packet
        - PacketFilter
        - PacketLoader
        - PacketNgramLoader
        - PacketNgramRecordReader
        - PacketRecordReader
        - PacketTuple
      - protocol
        - DNSConversationLoader
        - DNSConversationRecordReader
        - HTTPConversationLoader**
        - HTTPConversationRecordReader
        - PcapFSDataInputStream
        - PcapInputFormat
        - PcapLoader
        - PcapRecordReader
        - PcapStreamWriter
        - StreamingPcapRecordReader
        - StreamSink
      - storage
      - udf
        - geoup
          - ASNum
          - Country
          - LatLon

The code editor shows the source code for `HTTPConversationLoader.java`:

```
package com.packetloop.packetpig.loaders.pcap.protocol;  
  
import ...  
  
public class HTTPConversationLoader extends PcapLoader {  
    public String field;  
    private String pathToTcp;  
  
    public HTTPConversationLoader(String field) {  
        this.pathToTcp = "lib/scripts/tcp.py";  
        this.field = field;  
    }  
  
    public HTTPConversationLoader(String pathToTcp, String field) {  
        this.pathToTcp = pathToTcp;  
        this.field = field;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public InputFormat getInputFormat() throws IOException {  
        return new FileInputFormat();  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public RecordReader createRecordReader(InputSplit split, TaskAttemptContext context) {  
        return new HTTPConversationRecordReader(pathToTcp, field);  
    }  
};
```



# Finding Zero Days

# Worth a ~~coffee~~ JD?

- Motivation
- Time window
- Attacker
- Attack type
- Target
- Obfuscated
- Anonymised

# Attacker Information

# File Extraction

# Big Data Security Analytics

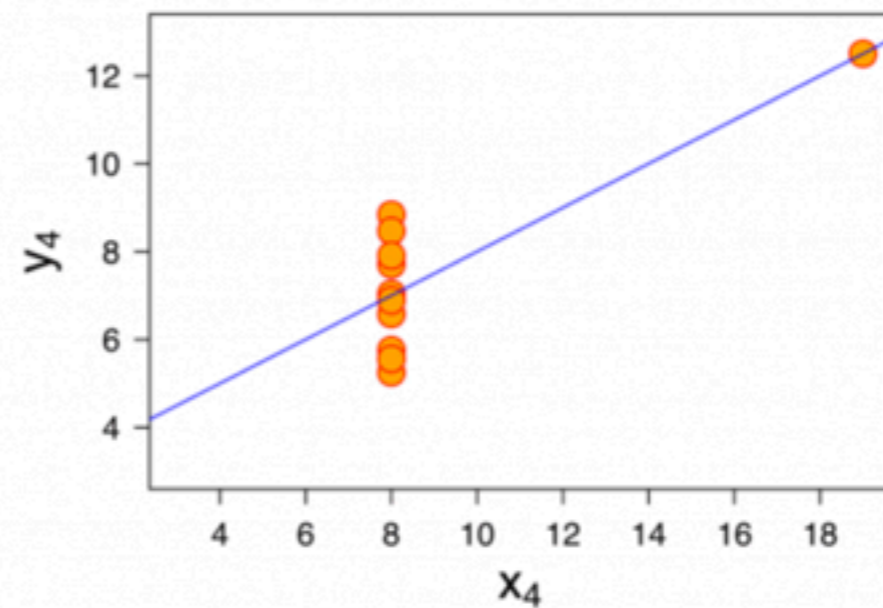
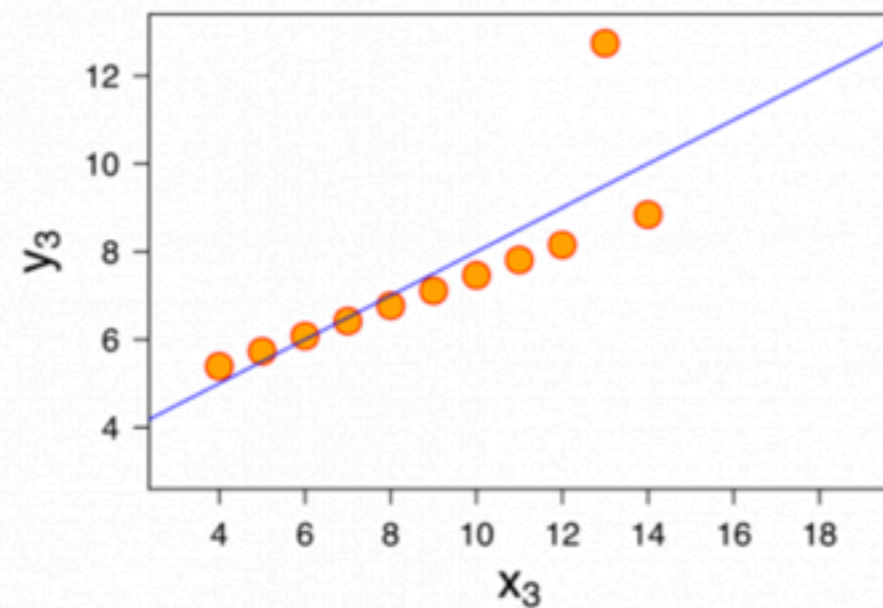
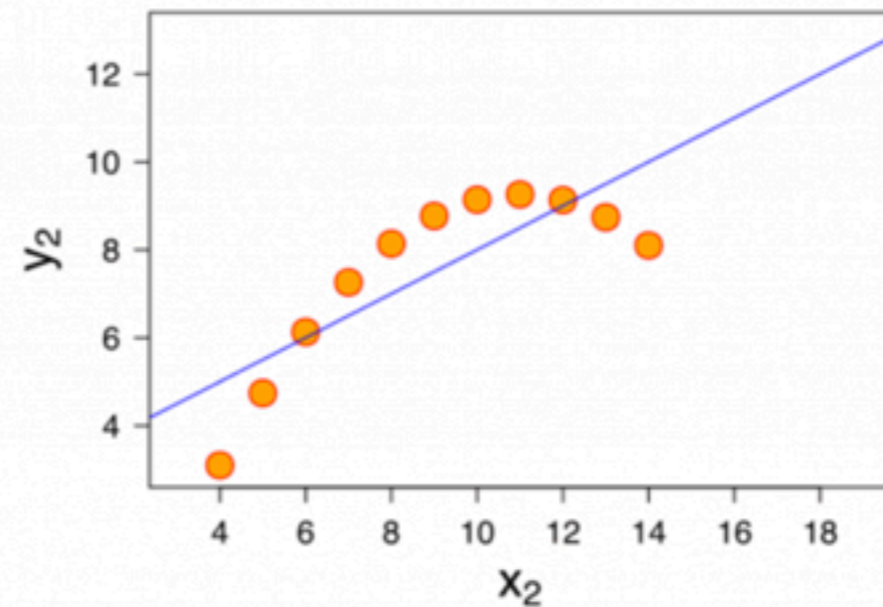
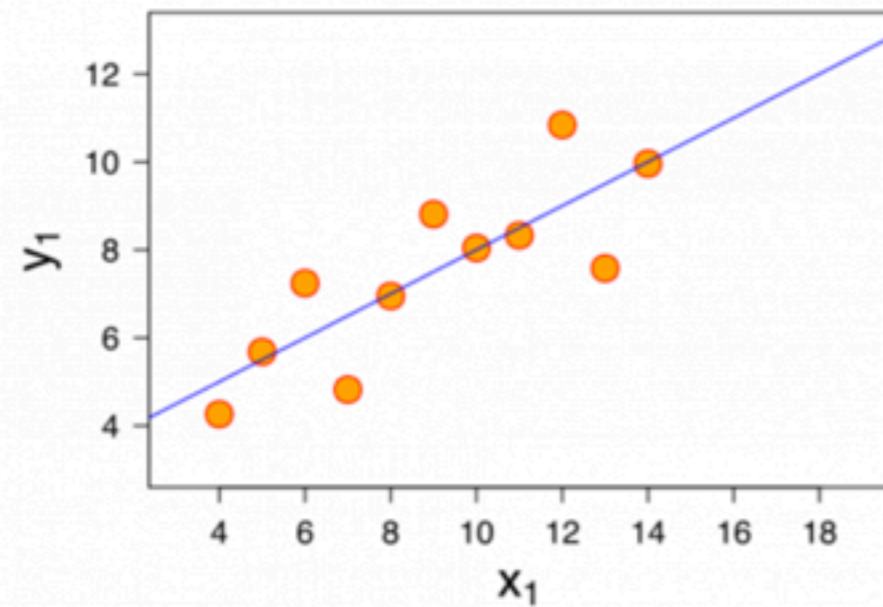
# Anscombe's Quartet

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8.0	6.95	8.0	8.14	8.0	6.77	8.0	5.76
13.0	7.58	13.0	8.74	13.0	12.74	8.0	7.71
9.0	8.81	9.0	8.77	9.0	7.11	8.0	8.84
11.0	8.33	11.0	9.26	11.0	7.81	8.0	8.47
14.0	9.96	14.0	8.10	14.0	8.84	8.0	7.04
6.0	7.24	6.0	6.13	6.0	6.08	8.0	5.25
4.0	4.26	4.0	3.10	4.0	5.39	19.0	12.50
12.0	10.84	12.0	9.13	12.0	8.15	8.0	5.56
7.0	4.82	7.0	7.26	7.0	6.42	8.0	7.91
5.0	5.68	5.0	4.74	5.0	5.73	8.0	6.89

Source: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anscombe%27s\\_quartet](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anscombe%27s_quartet)



# Anscombe's Quartet



Source: <http://visual.ly/anscombes-quartet>

# Big Data Security Analytics

- Visualization
- Fidelity
- Interaction
- Outlier Detection
- Attacker Profiling
- Enrichment
- Transform
- Prediction and Probability
- Intelligence sharing
- Statistical Analysis
- Feature Extraction
- Machine Learning



**This is not SIEM.**

# Not SIEM

- Full Fidelity
- Explore and explain the data (evidence).
- Play, Pause and Rewind.
- Blink and you miss it technology.
- No aggregation.
- No parsers or complex integration.
- Clear intelligence.

# Visualisation

**Full HD**

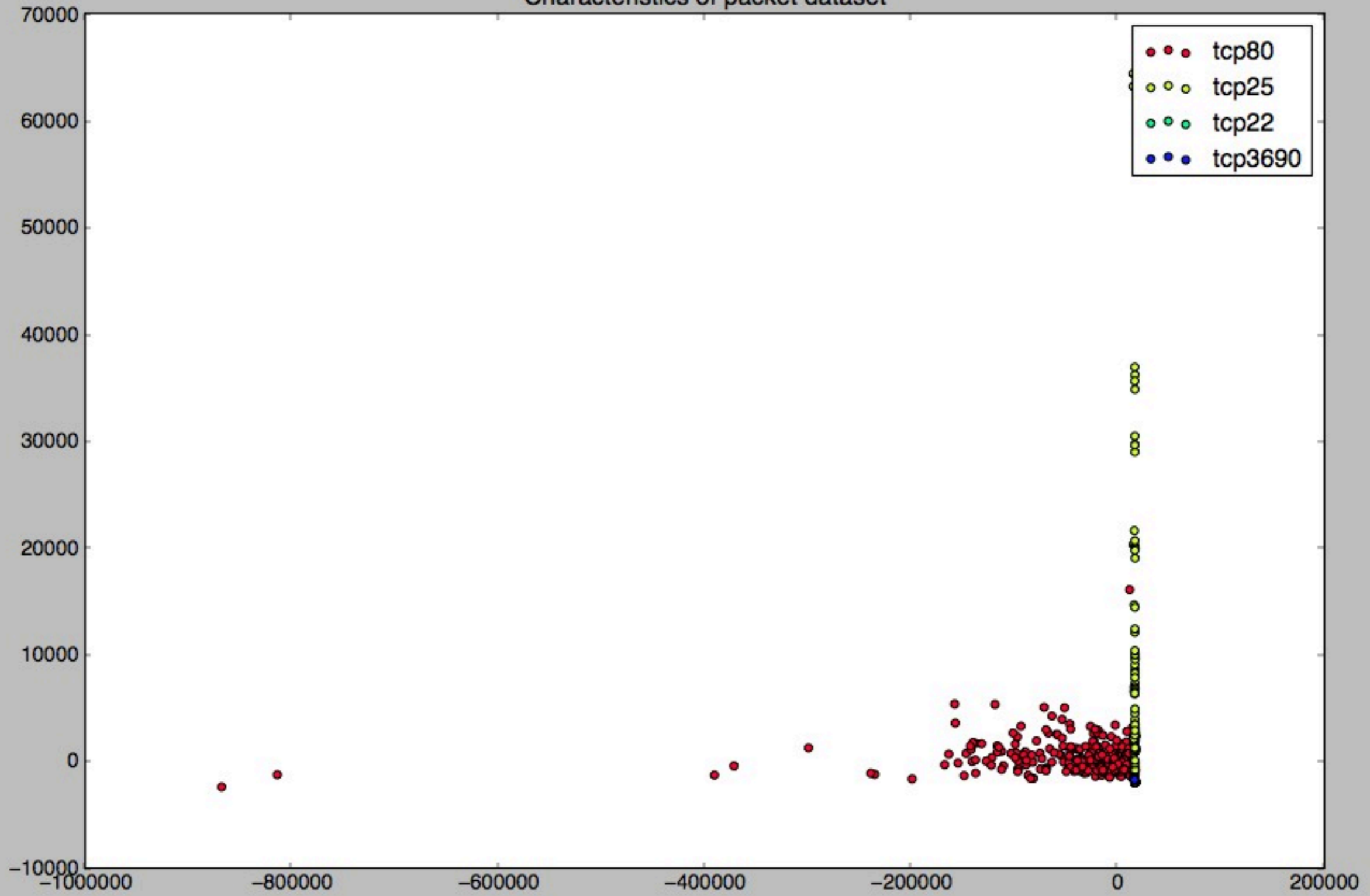
**Play, Pause, Rewind**



# Outlier Detection

# Classification

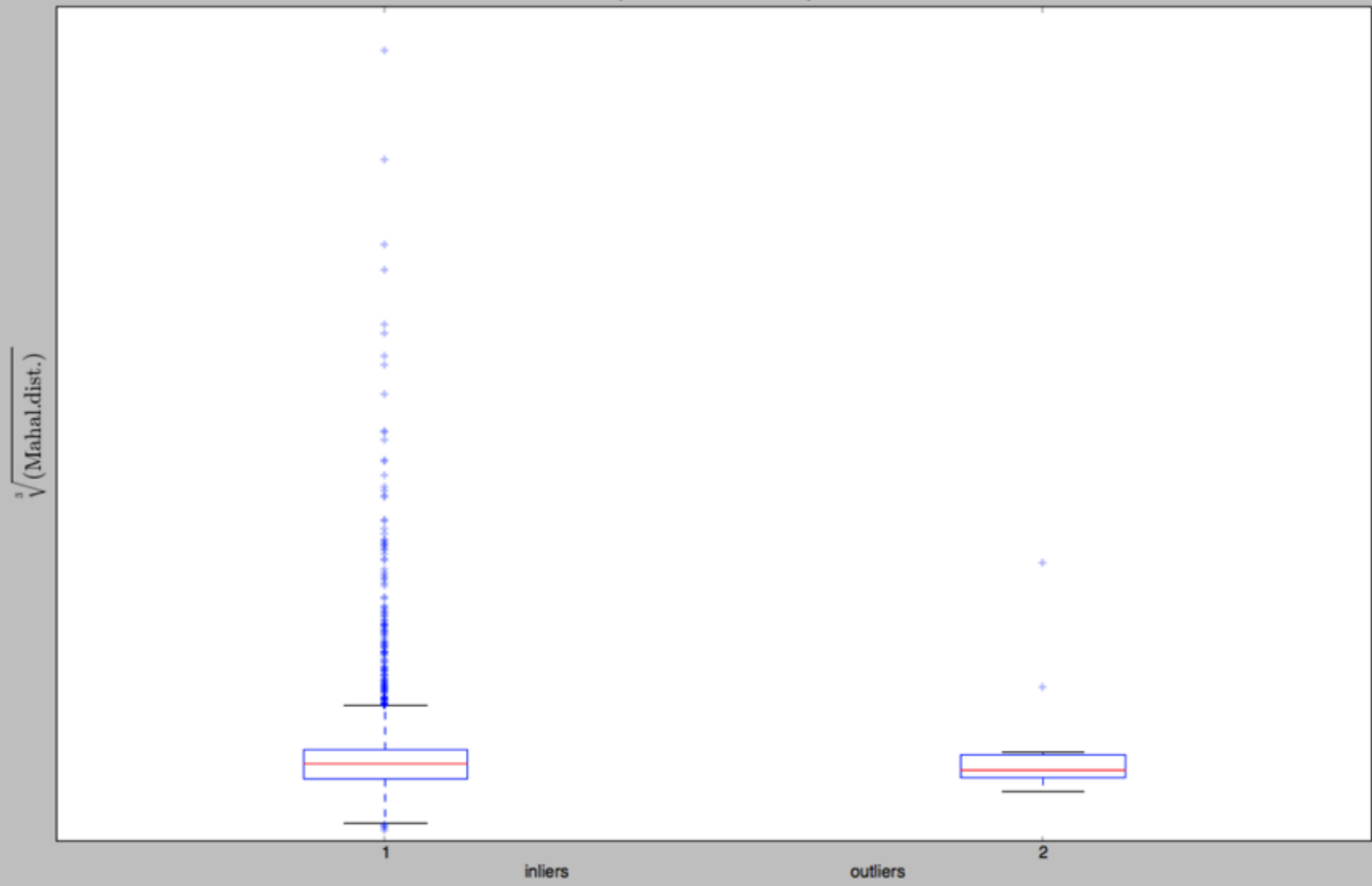
Characteristics of packet dataset



# Novelty and Outliers



1. from non-robust estimates  
(Maximum Likelihood)



# Entropy and Covert Channels

# Enrichment

# Geocoding

**TOR**

# Torrent Triangulation



# Transformation

# **Network Graphs and Relationships**

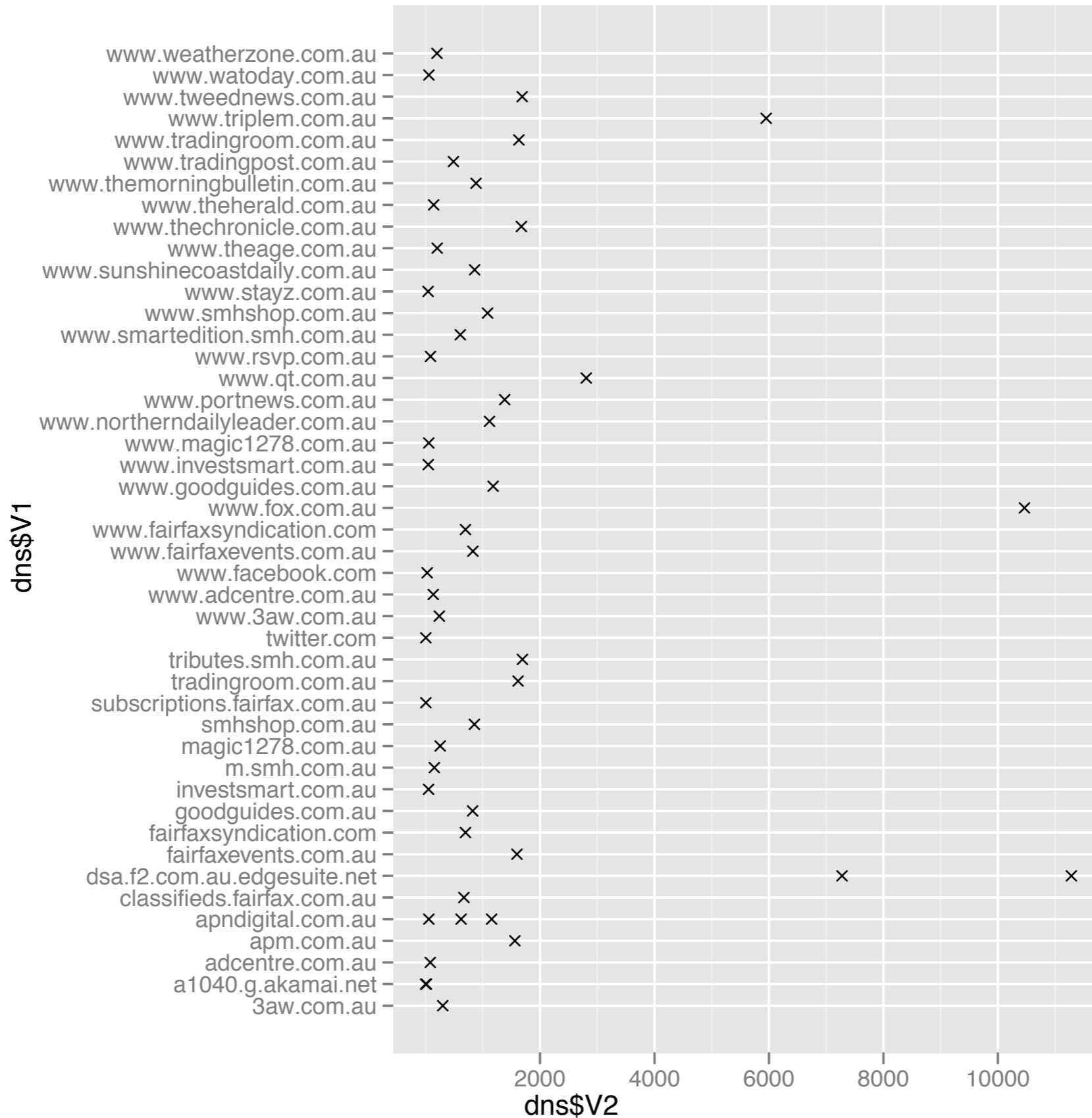


# Intelligence and Metric Sharing

# Indicators of Compromise

- OpenIOC and CyBOX
  - Open Indicators of Compromise (XML)
  - Host and Network Indicators of Compromise
- Fork a github repository
  - Execute Packetpig scripts that find bad things and visualise them

# DNS and Malware





# Analytics or Surveillance



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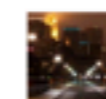
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