

A Taxonomy of Malicious Traffic for Intrusion Detection Systems

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- Why Taxonomy for Malicious Traffic?
- Proposed Taxonomy (V1 & V2)
- Conclusion and Future Work
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- Number of network threats are increasing, with the world being dependent on machines and automation.
- Cisco predicts that there will be 50 billion devices connected to the Internet by 2020.
- Attacks are becoming more **complex** and users are becoming more **aware**.



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- Therefore, they detect a subset of the known attacks.



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• Available taxonomies focus of **specific** systems/tools.

With the taxonomy, researchers can

- Design up-to-date detection tools and find ways to prevent and predict these attacks.
- Build better datasets that cover more attacks and have the real world property.



The taxonomy is presented as three control stages:

- 1. Reconnaissance
- 2. Scanning
- 3. Attack



Proposed Taxonomy V1









Proposed Taxonomy V1 (Cont.)





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• Although recent attacks are reported, they are barely included in the datasets





- An extended version of the taxonomy is built.
- Attacks are classified based on:
 - Affected OSI Layer
 - Source
 - Active/Passive







- The aim is to build an extendable, full taxonomy of network threats to help researchers build up-to-date datasets and robust IDS.
- The taxonomy should be kept up to date and its effect on building new IDS should be analysed.







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