



The purpose of this document is to describe some steps on "How to determine, who is sending out certain protocols."

Auto Discovery is a nice feature, when trying to figure out, what protocols are leaving or entering my WAN connection. When I started with Packeteer, a couple days later, I've connected a PaketShaper between my Home Network and my DSL router to see, what's going on. Protocols, like HTTP, FTP, SMTP, POP3 were expected. I also realized some "never-heard" protocols, which I figured out very quickly, what they are.

A good source to find out about "never-heard" protocols is www.protocols.com.

After 3 days discovering, all in a sudden, a protocol named **APPLETALK** appeared. **I don't use this protocol in my network!**

AppleTalk		105	NA	12	5	136	0	NA
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So, who's sending this protocol was my next question. It's not a high load, so Top Talker and Top Listeners wouldn't tell me. My goal in this case was to view packet headers. PacketWise offers a feature called "packet capture", which I used to determine the sender.

Turn packet capture on

If there is no class created, you have to create one first, before use packet capture, but because of discovery, a class for AppleTalk was already created automatically.

1. Telnet into the box

PacketWise stores captured packets in RAM. They are written to disk when the memory buffer is full or when you turn packet capture off.

Turn on packet capture, by running the CLI command **packetcapture on**

```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe - telnet 192.168.10.152
PacketShaper#
PacketShaper# packetcapture on
Packet capture status: OK
Packet capture: On - Logging
Log file directory: 9,258/pktlog
Log file name: 03111704.dmp
Log file format: tcpdump
Maximum log size: 8388608 bytes
Current log size: 0 bytes (0%)
Packets in current log: 0
Captured class(es): /Outbound/AppleTalk
PacketShaper#
```



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2. Add the class for capturing, by running CLI Command **packetcapture add AppleTalk** (or any other existing class)



```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe - telnet 192.168.10.152

PacketShaper# packetcapture add AppleTalk
Packet capture status: OK
Packet capture: On - Logging
Log file directory: 9.258/pktlog
Log file name: 03111704.dmp
Log file format: tcpdump
Maximum log size: 8388608 bytes
Current log size: 152 bytes (0%)
Packets in current log: 2
Captured class(es): /Outbound/AppleTalk

PacketShaper#
```

3. To verify, if packets are stored in current logfile, you can use CLI Command **packetcapture status**



```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe - telnet 192.168.10.152

PacketShaper# packetcapture status
Packet capture status: OK
Packet capture: On - Logging
Log file directory: 9.258/pktlog
Log file name: 03111704.dmp
Log file format: tcpdump
Maximum log size: 8388608 bytes
Current log size: 684 bytes (0%)
Packets in current log: 9
Captured class(es): /Outbound/AppleTalk

PacketShaper# _
```

4. When satisfied with the result, stop the tool by running the CLI Command **packetcapture off**



```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe - telnet 192.168.10.152

PacketShaper# packetcapture off
Packet capture status: OK
Packet capture: Off
Log file directory: 9.258/pktlog
Log file name: 03111704.dmp
Log file format: tcpdump
Maximum log size: 8388608 bytes
Current log size: 1140 bytes (0%)
Packets in current log: 15
Captured class(es): /Outbound/AppleTalk

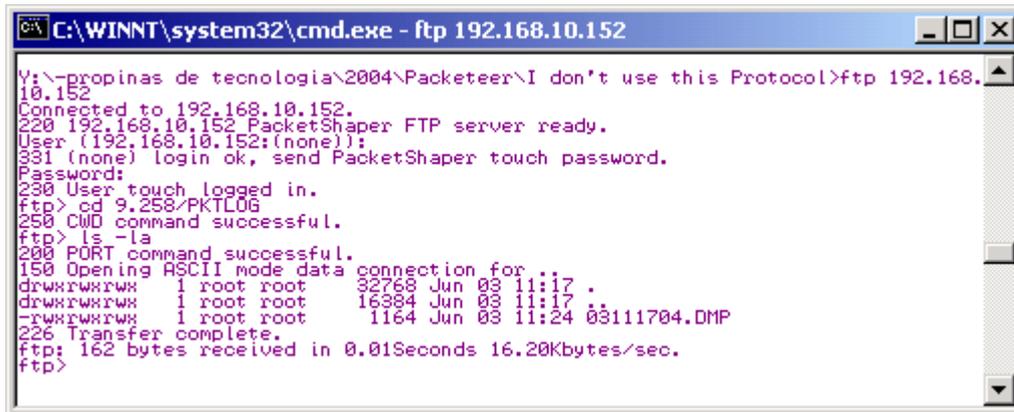
PacketShaper# _
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Recognize the log file directory and log file name. 9.258 is the harddisk and **03111704.dmp** is the filename.

03 - refers to 3rd day of the month

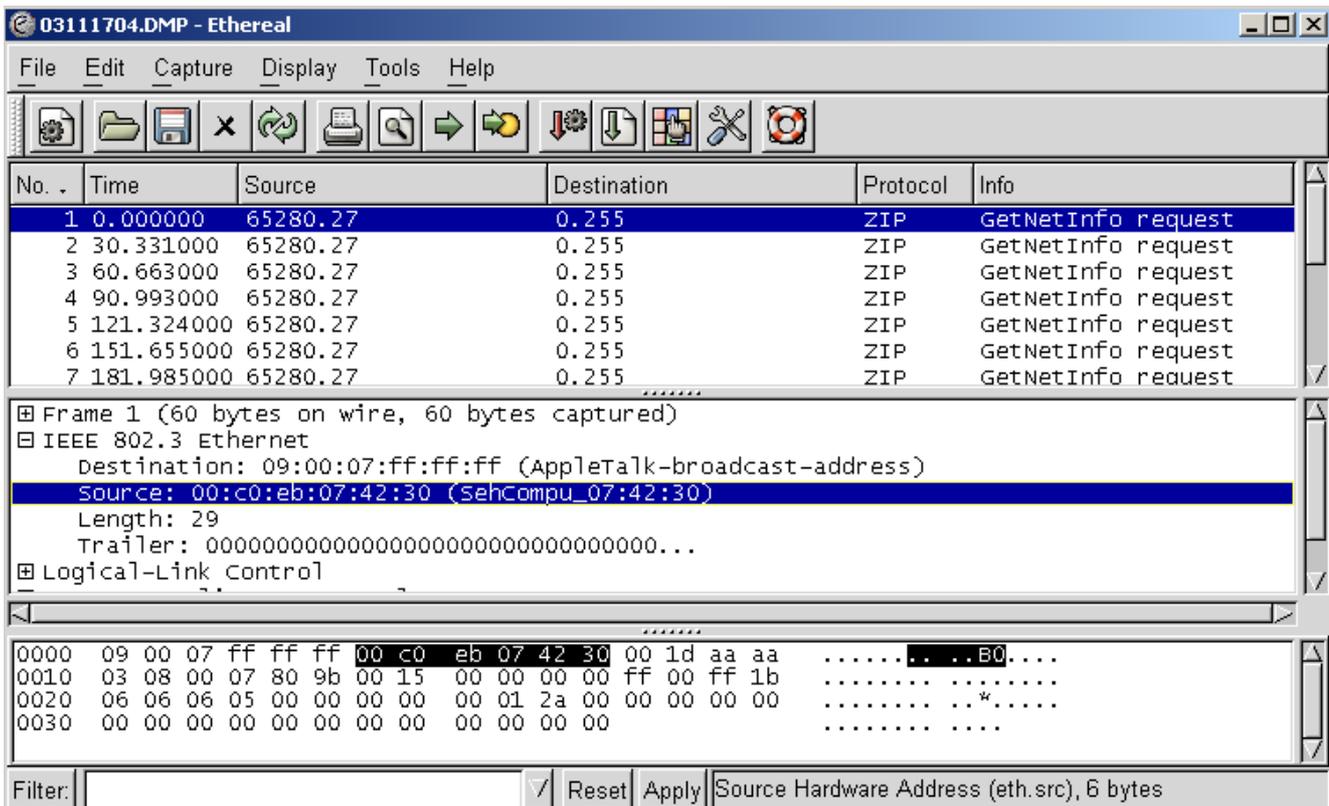
111704 - refers to 11:17:04, when packet capture has been enabled

5. FTP into the box and download the Dumpfile.



```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe - ftp 192.168.10.152
V:\-propinas de tecnologia\2004\Packeteer\I don't use this Protocol>ftp 192.168.
10.152
Connected to 192.168.10.152.
220 192.168.10.152 PacketShaper FTP server ready.
User (192.168.10.152:(none)):
331 (none) login ok, send PacketShaper touch password.
Password:
230 User touch logged in.
ftp> cd 9.258/PKTL06
250 CWD command successful.
ftp> ls -la
200 PORT command successful.
150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for ..
drwxrwxrwx  1 root root   32768 Jun 03 11:17 .
drwxrwxrwx  1 root root   16384 Jun 03 11:17 ..
-rwxrwxrwx  1 root root    1164 Jun 03 11:24 03111704.DMP
226 Transfer complete.
ftp> 162 bytes received in 0.01Seconds 16.20Kbytes/sec.
ftp>
```

6. Start Sniffer, EtherPeek or EtherReal and load the dumpfile



Based on my MAC Address Database, it was easy to find out, that my SEH Printserver had AppleTalk enabled. I disabled the protocol and eliminated a protocol, which **I do not need in my network!**