

XMAS Lecture (NetSec)

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Network Security – Security

Privacy

Privacy – Lessons Learned

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Meta Data

Traffic Analysis

Traffic Analysis – Network Bandwidth (Example)

Happy Holidays

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What were the 6 security goals again?

- So far, when we discussed security, we considered
 - Data Integrity
 - Confidentiality
 - Availability
 - Authenticity
 - Accountability
 - Controlled Access

- We learned about several technical security measures.
- For example
 - IPsec ESP (Secure Channel)
 - Confidentiality
 - Integrity
 - Authenticity
 - Certificates and Signatures
 - Authenticity
 - Accountability
 - Firewalls
 - Controlled Access
 - TCP SYN Cookies
 - Availability
 - ...

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- Now the answer can be integrity protected

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▶Frame 1: 82 bytes on wire (656 bits), 82 bytes captured (656 bits) on interface 0
▶Ethernet II, Src: IntelCor_ ( ), Dst: Sphairon_ ( )
▶Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.1.170 (192.168.1.170), Dst: 8.8.8.8 (8.8.8.8)
▶User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 36471 (36471), Dst Port: domain (53)
▼Domain Name System (query)
  Transaction ID: 0x0bf5
  ▶Flags: 0x0120 Standard query
  Questions: 1
  Answer RRs: 0
  Authority RRs: 0
  Additional RRs: 1
▼Queries
  ▶pornhub.com: type A, class IN
  ▶Additional records
```

Your DNS provider knows what you are doing!

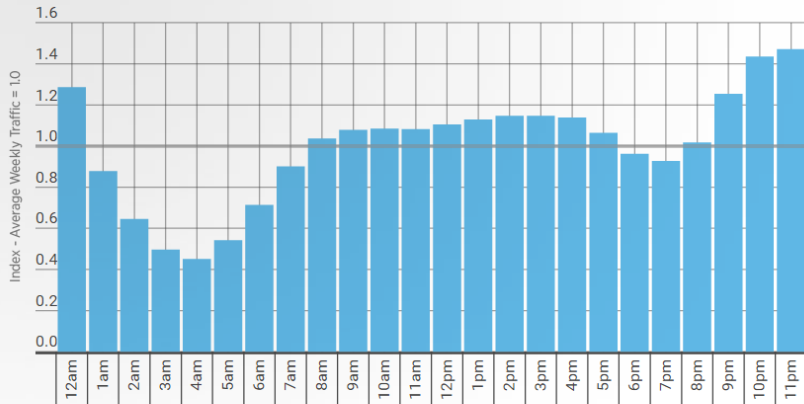
- It is widely acknowledged that there are many pages in the web with dubious content
- Among the top 500 sites on the web¹, many serve adult content
- PornHub is among the 100 most popular web sites globally²
- We used PornHub as example for this lecture

¹<http://www.alexa.com/topsites>

²Rank 72 on Dec 17 2014, <http://www.alexa.com/siteinfo/pornhub.com>

HOURLY TRAFFIC IN THE UNITED STATES

Pornhub

pornhub.com/insights

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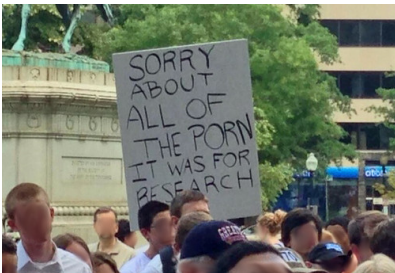
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- Btw: what is this 31.192.117.132 IP address on TCP port 80 you are visiting?
- ```
curl -v http://31.192.117.132/
Connected to 31.192.117.132 (31.192.117.132) port 80
> GET / HTTP/1.1
> User-Agent: curl/7.35.0
> Host: 31.192.117.132
> Accept: */*
>
< HTTP/1.1 301 Moved Permanently
< Date: Tue, 09 Dec 2014 17:27:59 GMT
< Location: http://www.pornhub.com/
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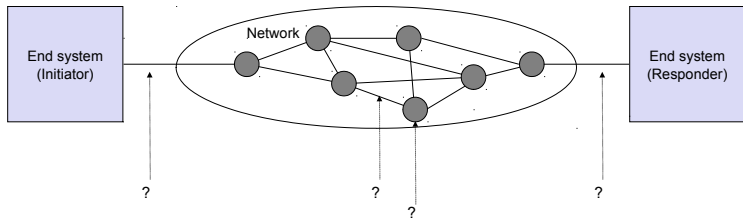
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- Global attacker (e. g., state-level attackers) still know what you are doing



Protest sign, Anti-NSA demonstration "Restore The Fourth", July 2013

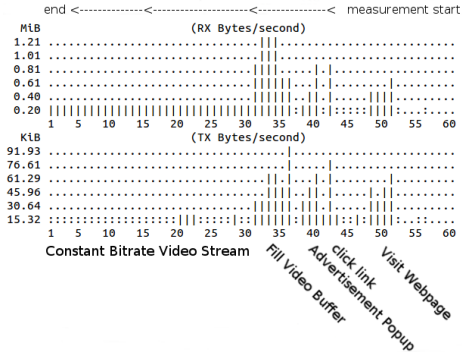




- What about traffic analysis?
- Maybe I'm not the NSA and cannot see your unencrypted traffic
- I can still observe
  - The amount of data you are transmitting
  - Timing information

## Traffic Analysis – Network Bandwidth (Example)

- 7 high spikes in network load
  - As if you were visiting 7 webpages (figure below only shows 3)
- A high burst of traffic
- A constant rate of network load
  - As if a web player is filling its buffers
  - And playing a video afterwards at constant rate
- The constant network load last for about 8 minutes (not shown)



- PornHub statistics for Germany



PornHub Insights, *Pornhub & Germany*, May 2014, <http://www.pornhub.com/insights/> retrieved Dec 2014



## GERMANY

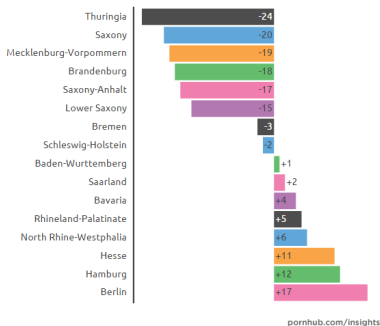
### Time Spent Per Visit



National Average Time on Site

**8 minutes 13 seconds**

Regional Difference in Seconds



PornHub Insights, *Germany in Review*, Mar 2016, <http://www.pornhub.com/insights/> retrieved Dec 2016

- It's not just Germany...
- Statistics for India

**8 min 22 sec**

Average Visit Duration

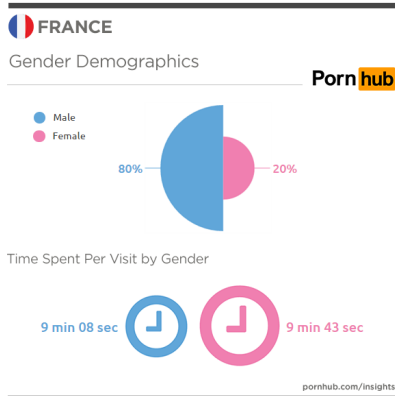
**7.32 pages**

Average Viewed Per Visit

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## I'll just leave this here

- It's not just Germany...
- Statistics for France



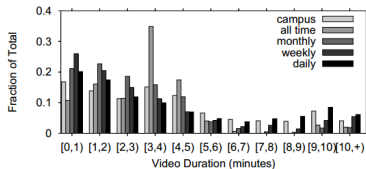
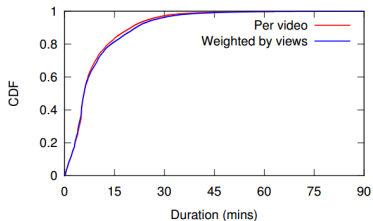
US vs RUSSIA  
HOW LONG DO THEY LAST?

|               | Pages Per Visit | Visit Duration |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Washington    | 8.7 pages       | 9 min 46 sec   |
| United States | 9.0 pages       | 9 min 53 sec   |
| Moscow        | 7.9 pages       | 8 min 37 sec   |
| Russia        | 7.2 pages       | 7 min 52 sec   |

Porn hub

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**Best wishes for a wonderful Holiday  
and a Happy New Year!**