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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

PALO ALTO NETWORKS, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

CENTRIPETAL NETWORKS, INC.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2021-01154
Patent 10,785,266 B2

Before KEVIN F. TURNER, BRYAN F. MOORE, and LYNNE E. PETTIGREW, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MOORE, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Denying Institution of *Inter Partes* Review
37 C.F.R. § 42.108

I. INTRODUCTION

Palo Alto Networks, Inc. ("Petitioner") filed a Petition (Paper 2, "Pet.") requesting an *inter partes* review of claims 1–27 of U.S. Patent No. 10,785,266 B2 (Ex. 1001, "the '266 patent"). Centripetal Networks, Inc. ("Patent Owner") filed a Preliminary Response to the Petition. Paper 7 ("Prelim. Resp."). We have jurisdiction under 35 U.S.C. § 314, which provides that an *inter partes* review may not be instituted "unless . . . there is a reasonable likelihood that the petitioner would prevail with respect to at least 1 of the claims challenged in the petition." 35 U.S.C. § 314(a). With our authorization, Petitioner filed a Preliminary Reply (Paper 8, "*Fintiv* Reply") and Patent Owner filed a Preliminary Sur-reply (Paper 9, "*Fintiv* Sur-Reply") to address Board discretion under 35 U.S.C. § 314(a).

For the reasons explained below, we do not institute an *inter partes* review in this proceeding.

A. *Real Parties in Interest*

Petitioner identifies itself as the sole real party-in-interest. Pet. 3. Patent Owner identifies itself as the sole real party-in-interest. Paper 4, 1 (Patent Owner's Mandatory Notices).

B. *Related Proceedings*

The parties indicate that the '266 patent is the subject of the following co-pending district court case: *Centripetal Networks, Inc. v. Palo Alto Networks, Inc.*, Case No. 2:21-cv-00137-RCY-RJK (E.D. Virginia). Pet. 3; Paper 4, 1. The Petition is related to the co-pending petition for *inter partes* review in IPR2021-01153, challenging U.S. Patent No. 10,567,437 B2.

C. *The '266 Patent*

The '266 patent discloses methods and systems for protecting a

secured network. Ex. 1001, code (57). Figure 1 illustrates a network environment that includes packet security gateways (PSGs) situated between networks and a security policy management server (SPMS) that communicates dynamic security policies to the PSGs. *Id.* at 4:59–5:10, 5:14–18, Fig. 1. "At each of the packet security gateways, a dynamic security policy may be received from the security policy management server, packets associated with a network protected by the packet security gateway may be received, and at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by the dynamic security policy may be performed on the packets." *Id.* at 3:60–4:1. "Performing the at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by the dynamic security policy on the packets may include performing at least one packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the packets." *Id.* at 2:1–6.

The PSGs perform packet transformation functions on received packets according to rules in a dynamic security policy that specifies one or more packet transformation functions that should be performed on packets associated with specific criteria. *Id.* at 4:59–5:11, 6:24–28, 7:23–26.

> The specified criteria may take the form of a five-tuple of values selected from packet header information, specifying a protocol type of the data section of the IP packet (e.g., TCP, UDP, ICMP, or any other protocol), one or more source IP addresses, one or more source port values, one or more destination IP addresses, and one or more destination ports.

Ex. 1001, 7:26–32, Fig. 3.

Various combinations of rules may implement services, such as a blocklist service within a network environment that may include one or more rules specifying criteria for which associated packets should be blocked or

denied, and at least one rule specifying that all packets outside the blocked sets should be forwarded, accepted, or allowed. *Id.* at 8:23–44.

D. *Illustrative Claim*

Of the challenged claims 1, 8, 15, and 21 are independent. Claim 1 is illustrative and is reproduced below.

> 1. A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, the method comprising:
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> receiving, by the packet security gateway and from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein
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> each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and
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> one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;
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> performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet

filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

Ex. 1001, 20:64–21:52.

E. *Evidence of Record*

Petitioner cites the following references in its challenges to patentability:

Reference	Designation	Exhibit No.
U.S. Patent Appl. Publ. No. 2007/0262741 A1	Jungck	Ex. 1051
U.S. Patent Appl. Publ. No. 2007/0097976 A1	Wood	Ex. 1052
U.S. Patent Appl. Publ. No. 2009/0249482 A1	Sarathy	Ex. 1063

Pet. 5–6.

Petitioner also relies on the Declaration of Dr. Vijay Madisetti (Ex. 1004, the "Declaration").

F. *Asserted Grounds of Unpatentability*

Petitioner asserts the following grounds of unpatentability (Pet. 6):

Challenged Claims	Basis	References
1–27	§ 103[1]	Jungck, Wood
1–27	§ 103	Jungck, Sarathy, Wood

II. ANALYSIS

A. Level of Ordinary Skill in the Art

Noting that relevant experience and education can substitute for each other, Petitioner states that a person of ordinary skill in the relevant art on October 22, 2012 (the filing date of the application that matured in the '266 patent), would have had a bachelor's degree in computer science, computer engineering, or an equivalent, four years of professional experience, and a working knowledge of packet-switched networking, firewalls, security policies, communication protocols and layers, and the use of customized rules to address cyber-attack. Pet. 18 (citing Ex. 1004 [Declaration of Dr. Vijay Madisetti] ¶¶ 34–36). Petitioner's definition of a person of ordinary skill, which Patent Owner does not dispute at this stage, appears appropriate for the technology addressed by this proceeding.

[1] The Leahy-Smith America Invents Act ("AIA"), Pub. L. No. 112-29, 125 Stat. 284, 285–88 (2011), revised 35 U.S.C. § 103 effective March 16, 2013. Because the '266 patent has an effective filing date prior to the effective date of the applicable AIA amendment, we refer to the pre-AIA version of § 103.

B. Claim Construction

We construe the challenged claims by applying "the standard used in federal courts, in other words, the claim construction standard that would be used to construe the claim in a civil action under 35 U.S.C. [§] 282(b), which is articulated in *Phillips* [*v. AWH Corp.*, 415 F.3d 1303 (Fed. Cir. 2005) (en banc)]." 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(b) (2020). Under *Phillips*, the words of a claim are generally given their "ordinary and customary meaning," which is the meaning they would have to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention, in light of the specification and prosecution history. *See Phillips*, 415 F.3d at 1312–13.

Petitioner asks the Board to adopt constructions from prior IPRs challenging related patents. Pet. 19–20. Petitioner does not explain the necessity of these constructions, nor does Patent Owner dispute them. *Id.*; *see generally* Prelim. Resp. Because we decline to institute on the basis of other claim limitations, we do not adopt Petitioner's proposed constructions.

Patent Owner requests that the preamble of independent claims 1, 8, and 15 be treated as limiting. Prelim. Resp. 16–17. These preambles provide antecedent basis for "packet security gateway," "boundary," "network," and "one or more other networks." *Id.* at 16 (citing Ex. 1001, 20:64–21:2, 22:13–18, 23:35–42). The preambles also recite the "plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a [protected] network," which is "essential to understand" the "all traffic" limitation in the body of these claims and thus "'give life, meaning, and vitality'" to the claims. *Id.* (citing *Catalina Mktg. Int'l, Inc. v. Coolsavings.com, Inc.*, 289 F.3d 801, 808 (Fed. Cir. 2002) (citation omitted)).

The preambles provide the context for the body of the independent claims by defining the arrangement of the "plurality of packet security gateways" relative to the "boundary" of the protected network and thus the basis for applying "packet filtering rules . . . to all network traffic traversing the boundary." *Id.* (citing Ex. 1001, 20:64–21:8). The "entire interface" limitation also was relied on during prosecution of the parent '437 Patent's claims to distinguish them from the prior art. *Id.* at 16–17 (citing Ex. 2008, 254–61; *Catalina*, 289 F.3d at 808–09). Petitioner does not dispute the preambles are limiting. Pet. 18–21, 37. For, the reasons above, we construe the preambles of independent claims 1, 8, and 15 as limiting.

After review of the current record, we conclude that, other than determining the preambles are limiting, no express claim construction is necessary to determine whether to institute review of the challenged claims. *See, e.g.*, *Nidec Motor Corp. v. Zhongshan Broad Ocean Motor Co.*, 868 F.3d 1013, 1017 (Fed. Cir. 2017) (quoting *Vivid Techs., Inc. v. Am. Sci. & Eng'g, Inc.*, 200 F.3d 795, 803 (Fed. Cir. 1999)) ("[W]e need only construe terms 'that are in controversy, and only to the extent necessary to resolve the controversy.'").

C. Principles of Law

A patent claim is unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103 if the differences between the claimed subject matter and the prior art are such that the subject matter, as a whole, would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. *KSR Int'l Co. v. Teleflex, Inc.*, 550 U.S. 398, 406 (2007). The question of obviousness is resolved on the basis of underlying factual determinations including: (1) the scope and content of the prior art;

(2) any differences between the claimed subject matter and the prior art; (3) the level of ordinary skill in the art; and (4) objective evidence of nonobviousness. *Graham v. John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 17–18 (1966).

In that regard, an obviousness analysis "need not seek out precise teachings directed to the specific subject matter of the challenged claim, for a court can take account of the inferences and creative steps that a person of ordinary skill in the art would employ." *KSR*, 550 U.S. at 418; *see also In re Translogic Tech., Inc.*, 504 F.3d 1249, 1259, 1262 (Fed. Cir. 2007) (quoting *KSR*, 550 U.S. at 418).

The level of ordinary skill in the art may be reflected by the prior art of record. *See Okajima v. Bourdeau*, 261 F.3d 1350, 1355 (Fed. Cir. 2001); *In re GPAC Inc.*, 57 F.3d 1573, 1579 (Fed. Cir. 1995); *In re Oelrich*, 579 F.2d 86, 91 (CCPA 1978).

D. Obviousness of Claims over Jungck and Wood

Petitioner asserts that claims 1–27 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Jungck and Wood. Pet. 6. To support its contentions, Petitioner provides explanations as to how the prior art allegedly teaches each claim limitation. *Id.* at 21–65. For convenience, all references cited in the grounds of the Petition are summarized below.

1. Jungck (Ex. 1051)

Jungck discloses a packet interceptor apparatus that applies to intercepted packets one or more rules that execute one or more functions on a dynamically specified portion of the packet, and takes one or more actions with the packets. Ex. 1051, code (57). Jungck states that "[t]he apparatus is capable of analyzing any portion of the packet including the header and the

payload," and that the actions "include releasing the packet, logging/storing information about the packet or forwarding the packet to an external device for subsequent processing." *Id.* Jungck's rules may be "dynamically modified" by the external devices. *Id.*

2. Wood (Ex. 1052)

Wood is directed to improved network security by "provid[ing] real-time detection and diagnostic information" on suspect or malicious traffic associated with possible network threats. Ex. 1052 ¶ 6, code (57). Wood teaches a router and an interrogation module that detects and redirects traffic associated with one or more suspect network addresses. *Id.* ¶ 7.

Wood discloses an adaptive interrogation module 204 that is located within a protected subnetwork 202, or remotely connected; and a router 212 that is configured to redirect suspect traffic to the adaptive interrogation module for analysis. *Id.* ¶¶ 32, 40. The adaptive interrogation module 204 receives suspect addresses 206 (e.g., a suspect address list that includes "IP addresses of known threats") from one or more suspect address sources 210 that are external to the protected network. *Id.* ¶¶ 29, 32–33. Using the suspect addresses 206, the adaptive interrogation module 204 configures or reconfigures a router 212 to redirect potentially malicious traffic associated with the suspect addresses, for example, to a null address to effectively block the traffic. *Id.* ¶¶ 21, 32, 34.

Wood discloses updating the suspect addresses 206 "as any one of the suspect address sources 210 receives a change to its suspect address data (e.g., a new IP address block is legitimately allocated . . . or a new hacker site is identified)." *Id.* ¶¶ 34–36.

3. Sarathy (Ex. 1063)

Sarathy (Ex. 1063) teaches a threat management facility (purple) having "policy management facility 112 . . . to update the policies of all corporate computing assets," including access permissions, of an enterprise network 102. Ex. 1063 ¶¶ 34, 37–38, 45. Access permissions are stored as block lists, black lists, allowed lists, or white lists. *Id.* ¶ 45, Fig 1. Threat management facility, including policy management facility, is "integrated into a third-party product," where the enterprise "subscribe[s] to services through the third-party product, and threat protection to the enterprise may be provided by the threat management facility 100 through the third-party product." *Id.* ¶ 38.

4. Claim 1

> *"A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway . . . comprising: a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary. . ."*

a. Petitioner's Contentions

Petitioner relies only on Jungck for this limitation. Pet. 37–46. Petitioner relies on Jungck's disclosure of ingress filtering at plurality of edge servers 602A, 602B (packet security gateways) to provide the claimed "an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway" (hereinafter, the "entire boundary" limitation). *Id.* at 37–38. For example, Petitioner contends Jungck discloses "intercept[ing] all network traffic flowing between the POP's 114, 116 and the network 100" and "isolating the core infrastructure and servers of the network/internet

from the edge where the clients are located" across a boundary (e.g., POPs 114, 116) of a network protected by the packet security gateway (e.g., "network 100," which is a "private network") and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway (e.g., "client 102," which is a "private network . . . coupled with the network 100"). *Id.* (citing Ex. 1051 ¶¶ 31, 38, 39, 41, 107, 113, 116, Figs 1, 6).

Petitioner also relies on Jungck's rule set 726 to show a first set of packet filtering rules. *Id.* at 41–42. Petitioner contends edge server 602 is provided with "one or more rules 732 which are applied" to "all network traffic," thus meeting the limitation of "all network traffic traversing the boundary" (hereinafter the "all traffic" limitation). *Id.* at 41–42 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶¶ 107, 111). As such, Petitioner contends Jungck discloses edge servers that "intercept all network traffic" and monitor it for "malicious program code" using rules. *Id.* at 42 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶¶ 107, 111). Petitioner also contends device 900 performs "ingress and egress filtering" on packets entering (*i.e.*, ingress) and leaving (*i.e.*, egress) the protected network. *Id.* at 43–44 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶ 269). Petitioner also contends collateral estoppel applies based on determinations made in IPR2018-01443, 1444, 1513 (the "'1443 IPR," "'1444 IPR," and '1513 IPR," respectively). *Id.* at 39, 42.

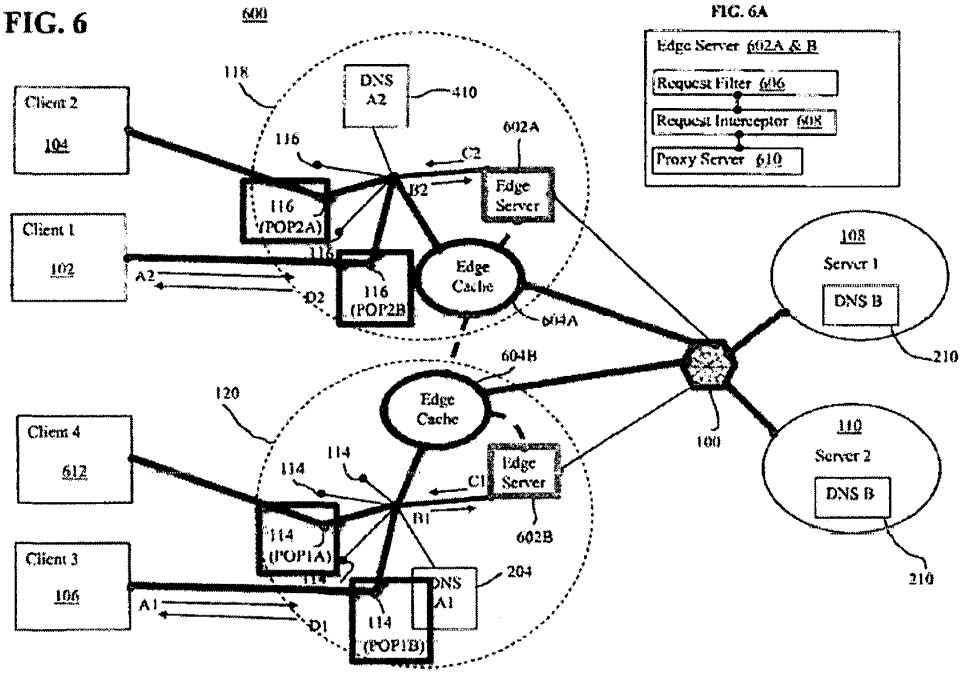
b. Patent Owner's Arguments

i. Petitioner Disregards "Edge Caches"

Patent Owner argues that "Petitioner's obviousness grounds disregard the role of *Jungck's* edge caches, which are located in network paths that

bypass the edge servers entirely." Prelim. Resp. 33.[2] We agree. In fact, Petitioner avoids reciting the words "edge cache" anywhere in the Petition. *See generally* Pet. Additionally, although Petitioner's declarant uses quotes from Jungck that recite the "edge cache," the Petition removes those references. *Compare* Ex. 1004 ¶ 221 *with* Pet. 41; *see also* Prelim. Resp. 33–34 (listing citations in the Petition that omit the term edge cache).

Patent Owner argues Jungck teaches network paths that bypass its edge servers when carrying network traffic through the POPs as shown in the annotated version of Figure 6 of Jungck. Ex. 1051, Fig. 6.



[2] We do not address Patent Owner's argument that "*Jungck* fails to disclose 'packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary' because the client requests disclosed in *Jungck* never traverse the boundary at all." Prelim Resp. 39–40.

Patent Owner's annotated Figure 6 above, shows network paths (**red**) exist between Jungck's clients 102–106 and 612, POPs 114 and 116 (**purple**), routing equipment (206 in Figure. 5), edge caches 604A–B, network 100, and servers 108, 110—all of which Patent Owner argues bypass Jungck's edge servers (**green**). Prelim. Resp. 35 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶ 107 ("edge cache 604A, 604B coupled with the routing equipment 206"), Fig. 6). Thus, according to Patent Owner, Petitioner fails to show "an entire interface across a boundary of a network," because "*Jungck* describes network paths across the alleged 'boundary' that bypass *Jungck's* edge servers, demonstrating that the edge servers do not form the 'entire interface' across the alleged boundary." Prelim. Resp. 34. We find that Petitioner does not adequately explain the working of that boundary because it chooses not to explain or discount the contribution of the edge caches. Additionally, to the extent that this is explained in any related IPRs, Petitioner does not cite to any such explanation.

As to whether Petitioner has shown that Jungck teaches the limitation of "all network traffic traversing the boundary," Patent Owner asserts that there are pathways for content that do not include the edge server. Prelim. Resp. 34, 41. For example, Patent Owner asserts Jungck's edge servers redirect clients to request content from the edge caches or send content request packets to the edge caches for handling. *Id.* at 34, 41 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶¶ 69, 74, 95 ("[T]his effectively redirects the client 102, 104 to make all of its content requests from the edge cache" . . . "edge cache . . . attempt[s] to satisfy content requests from its cache storage"), 109 ("requests will be redirected and served from the edge cache 604"), 113).

Patent Owner also argues that "after a client request[s] content from server 108, the edge server translates server 108's domain name into the IP address of the edge cache so that the client communicates directly with the edge cache instead of either the edge server or server 108." *Id.* at 36 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶¶ 95, 111); *see Fintiv* Sur-Reply 9.[3] In sum, Patent Owner asserts "[t]here are many circumstances in which traffic bypasses the edge servers via the edge caches." Prelim. Resp. 35–36.

We agree with Patent Owner that the Petition's avoidance of the operation of edge caches when edge caches are important in the processing of traffic flowing across the boundary undermines this ground of the Petition. If Petitioner wished to rely on an embodiment or configuration in which the edge caches were irrelevant, the edge caches were redundant to the edge server, or the edge caches were unnecessary, it was incumbent upon Petitioner to explain sufficiently how and why that was the case. Petitioner was aware of the edge caches because it appears to have omitted all references to them in the Petition yet did not explain why this was done.

Additionally, although Petitioner's declarant does include references to edge caches, its declarant also does not explain sufficiently the relevance of those edge caches. Ex. 1004 ¶¶ 148, 212, 214, 215, 227, 323. Additionally, Petitioner's references to collateral estoppel do not relieve Petitioner from the burden to describe its contentions regarding obviousness in the Petition.

[3] Patent Owner also relies on Jungck's treatment of a cache miss. Because Patent Owner's other evidence is sufficient we do not rely on Patent Owner's arguments regarding a cache miss. *See* Prelim. Resp. 42.

ii. Petitioner's Reliance on Device 900 is Insufficient

Patent Owner also argues Petitioner's apparent alternative reliance on the fifth embodiment of Jungck is insufficient to cure the deficiencies of its other contentions as to the "all traffic" limitation. Prelim. Resp. 43. For example, as explained above, Petitioner's analysis of the "all traffic" limitation also mentions "ingress and egress filtering" and the use of "blocklists" by Jungck's fifth embodiment.[4] Pet. at 43–44 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶ 269). Specifically, Petitioner's complete contention is that:

> **Jungck** discloses device 900, coupled to network 100 (*e.g.*, upstream network 100A and downstream network 100B), which includes primary processing elements 904A and 904B that "may be consolidated into a single processing element." Jungck, [0266], [0268]. Elements 904A/904B perform "ingress and egress filtering" on packets entering (*i.e.*, ingress) and leaving (*i.e.*, egress) the protected network. Jungck, [0269]. Device 900 maintains "block lists" that include a range of network addresses of upstream and downstream network devices. Jungck, [0269]. The network addresses of incoming packets are compared to the "block lists" and filtered out of the packet stream if they are "out of range." Jungck, [0269]. A POSITA would have understood that all packets entering or leaving the protected network would be compared against the blocklists (or another rule) to "ensur[e] that packets arriving from a particular portion of the network actually came from that portion of the network," or at minimum would have found that to have been obvious, because applying filtering rules to all packets entering and leaving a network was well-known, and a POSITA would have been motivated to apply filtering rules to all such packets to prevent malicious intrusions into the network, and to block devices inside the network from accessing known malicious sites or devices outside of the network. Jungck, [0269]; Madisetti, ¶¶238-241.

[4] We note that Petitioner does not cite to the fifth embodiment to meet the "entire boundary" limitation. *See* Pet. 37–41.

Id.

Patent Owner argues the discussion quoted above regarding device 900 is untethered to the claim language and only describes filtering packets within network 100, and not traversing any network boundary. Prelim. Resp. 43 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶¶ 108, 112, 269, Fig. 9). Patent Owner also argues that paragraph 269 from Jungck, cited by Petitioner, merely discusses filtering packets by a single device ("device 900") that "intercept[s] and process[es]" all packets that the device happens to receive, not "all packets entering and leaving" Jungck's network as a whole. *Id.* at 43 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶¶ 266, 268). We agree with both arguments.[5] The discussion of device 900 above is not tied to the rules and filtering done by the edge servers on which Petitioner relies.

iii. Petitioner's Reliance on "All Traffic" Being "Well Known" is Insufficient

We find Petitioner's discussion of device 900 quoted above appears to be presented as support for the proposition that "applying filtering rules to all packets entering and leaving a network" was "well-known." Pet. 44 (citing Ex. 1051 ¶ 269). In further support of that proposition, Petitioner states also that "POSITA would have been motivated to apply filtering rules to all such packets to prevent malicious intrusions into the network, and to block devices inside the network from accessing known malicious sites or devices outside of the network." *Id.* We are not persuaded by this contention.

[5] We find not that Petitioner fails to provide a rationale to combine or motivation to combine, but rather that Petitioner fails to explain sufficiently how device 900 relates to the specific limitations of the claims.

Whether or not this was known as a general proposition does not address reasons why Jungck's traffic appears to bypass the edge servers upon which Petitioner relies and why a person of ordinary skill would have modified Jungck's operation to apply its rules to all traffic or why a person of ordinary skill would have modified Jungck's operation to use device 900 instead of the edge servers and what effect that would have on the rest of the operation of Jungck. Also, Petitioner does not rely on device 900 to meet the "entire boundary" limitation. *See* Pet. 37–41.

Petitioner also appears to rely on its declarant who testifies it was well-known to block all incoming traffic. *Fintiv* Reply (citing Ex. 1004 [Declaration of Dr. Vijay Madisetti] ¶¶ 72–73). Nevertheless, this section of the Declaration was not cited in the Petition but rather is referred to indirectly in a portion of the Declaration which *is* cited in the Petition. Pet. 44 (citing Ex. 1004 ¶ 241). Paragraph 241 of the Declaration states "*as discussed in Section IV*, applying filtering rules to all packets entering and leaving a network was well-known," but does not refer to paragraphs 72 and 73. As the Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit has explained, "[a] brief must make all arguments accessible to the judges, rather than ask them to play archaeologist with the record." *DeSilva v. DiLeonardi*, 181 F.3d 865, 867 (7th Cir. 1999); *see also United States v. Dunkel*, 927 F.2d 955, 956 (7th Cir. 1991) ("Judges are not like pigs, hunting for truffles buried in briefs.").

Additionally, paragraph 72 of the Declaration contains new argument regarding "firewall" and "standard networking practice" based on references (Bharali and Wood) not cited for that proposition in the Petition. Ex. 1004 ¶ 72. We find the Petition improperly incorporates this section of the Declaration by reference because the basis of the "firewall" argument is not

explained sufficiently in the Petition. *Cisco Systems, Inc., v. C-Cation Technologies, LLC*, IPR2014-00454, Paper 12 at 8 (PTAB Aug. 29, 2014) (informative opinion) (describing the proper course of action as "to not consider arguments that are not made in the Petition, but are instead incorporated by reference").

iv. Collateral Estoppel Does Not Apply

1. Collateral Estoppel in the Petition

Petitioner also suggests in conclusory fashion that collateral estoppel may apply to its contentions as to the "entire boundary" limitation (Pet. 38 ("***Collateral estoppel applies.*** 1513 FWD, *19-33, *43, *45-47; 1443 FWD, *49-50, *52-54.")) and the "all traffic" limitation" (Pet. 41 ("***Collateral estoppel applies.*** 1443 FWD, *13-18, *42, *49-50, *52-54; 1444 FWD, *13-19, *42.")).

Our reviewing court has held that "[c]ollateral estoppel protects a party from having to litigate issues that have been fully and fairly tried in a previous action and adversely resolved against a party-opponent." *Nestle USA, Inc. v. Steuben Foods, Inc.*, 884 F.3d 1350, 1351–1352 (Fed. Cir. 2018) (quoting *Ohio Willow Wood Co. v. Alps S., LLC*, 735 F.3d 1333, 1342 (Fed. Cir. 2013)). "It is well established that collateral estoppel, also known as issue preclusion, applies in the administrative context." *MaxLinear, Inc. v. CF CRESPE LLC*, 880 F.3d 1373, 1376 (Fed. Cir. 2018) (citations omitted); *Webpower, Inc. v. WAG ACQUISITION, LLC*, Case IPR2016-01239, Paper 21 at 26–28 (PTAB Dec. 26, 2017).

"Issue preclusion [i.e., collateral estoppel] is appropriate only if: (1) the issue is identical to one decided in the first action; (2) the issue was actually litigated in the first action; (3) resolution of the issue was essential

to a final judgment in the first action; and (4) plaintiff had a full and fair opportunity to litigate the issue in the first action." *In re Freeman*, 30 F.3d 1459, 1465 (Fed. Cir. 1994); *see also MaxLinear, Inc.*, 880 F.3d at 1377 (citing *Blonder-Tongue Labs., Inc. v. Univ. of Illinois Found.*, 402 U.S. 313, 91 S. Ct. 1501, 28 L.Ed. 2d 788 (1971) (finding collateral estoppel applies to a patentee who had a full and fair opportunity to litigate the validity of a patent in a prior federal case.)).

Patent Owner points out that the claims at issue in IPR2018-01443, 1444, 1513 ("prior IPRs") did not include the "entire boundary" or "all traffic" limitations. Prelim. Resp. 26–27, 32, 44. We agree. Collateral estoppel does not apply because there are differences between the claim limitation at issue here and the adjudicated claim limitations at issue in the prior IPRs. *See In re Freeman*, 30 F.3d at 1465; *accord MaxLinear, Inc.*, 880 F.3d at 1377–1378; *cf. In re Arunachalam*, 709 F. App'x 699, 702 (Fed. Cir. 2017) (unpublished) (finding collateral estoppel applies to an adjudicated claim that is not "materially different" than the adjudicated claims).

To the extent that Petitioner has some theory why a prior proceeding regarding a different patent with different claim limitations would be considered a proper basis for collateral estoppel, Petitioner should have explained that theory in its Petition – a mere string citation is insufficient. *See, e.g., Trading Techs. Int'l, Inc. v. IBG LLC*, 921 F.3d 1378, 1385 (Fed. Cir. 2019) (holding that a conclusory assertion with no analysis was not adequately developed); *Novartis AG v. Torrent Pharms.*, 853 F.3d 1316, 1326 n.2 (Fed. Cir. 2017) (finding that an argument presented in one conclusory sentence and a string cite was "far from sufficient to raise a

meaningful challenge" and "amount[ed] to little more than a request that the Board peruse the cited evidence and piece together a coherent argument on Novartis' behalf").

2. *Collateral Estoppel in the Fintiv Reply*

In its Reply to Patent Owner's arguments regarding discretionary denial under § 314(a), Petitioner responds to Patent Owner's argument that the Petition fails to show that Jungck meets the "entire boundary" and "all traffic" limitations. *Fintiv* Reply 8–9.[6] As an initial matter, we note that our authorization of a responsive brief regarding *Fintiv* is not an invitation to respond to all issues on the merits raised in a Patent Owner preliminary response. Also, Petitioner's *Fintiv* Reply does not relieve it of the burden of explaining sufficiently its contentions, including contentions based on collateral estoppel, in its Petition. "In an IPR, the petitioner has the burden from the onset to show with particularity why the patent it challenges is unpatentable." *Harmonic Inc. v. Avid Tech., Inc.*, 815 F.3d 1356, 1363 (Fed. Cir. 2016).

Nevertheless, we address Petitioner's *Fintiv* Reply arguments here. Petitioner asserts "as the Board previously found, Jungck 'broadly teach[es] *protecting entire networks*' such that the 'edge servers located at the POPs

[6] Petitioner argues that Patent Owner "incorrectly suggest[s] that an edge cache necessarily bypasses the edge server 'in the event that there is a cache miss." *Fintiv* Reply. 8–9 (citing Prelim. Resp. 34 (citing Ex. 1051, 96, 112)). Patent Owner does not rely solely on the cache miss but, as explained above, relies on Figure 6 and other disclosures including Ex. 1051 ¶ 95 to show that the edge caches bypass the edge servers. We do not rely on Patent Owner's cache miss argument, but rather we rely on the other arguments cited above. Petitioner does not address Figure 6, Ex. 1051 ¶ 95, or the other arguments Patent Owner makes.

are . . . capable of 'intercept[ing] *all network traffic*,'" citing the Final Written Decision in the '1513 IPR ("'1513 FWD"). *Fintiv* Reply 8 (citing Ex. 1012, 24, 29). Thus, according to Petitioner, "Jungck teaches providing 'an entire interface' that protects entire networks by filtering 'all network traffic.'" *Id.* We examine the '1513 FWD's discussion of the "entire network" and "all traffic" limitations, respectively, below.

We begin with the limitation of "an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway." In the '1513 IPR, Patent Owner argued "Jungck only protects 'subscribing servers,' i.e., servers that pay a fee for protection, and not other, non-subscribing servers on the network." Ex. 1012 ['1513 FWD], 23. The Board found, however, "Patent Owner does not sufficiently explain how the claim language and intrinsic record support its view that protecting only subscribing servers in a network is excluded from the scope of claim 1 . . . Petitioner need only show that Jungck *teaches or suggests* a network protected by a plurality of devices." *Id.* at 23–24. Only after making this determination does the Board suggest that "omitting restrictions based on subscriptions is simpler and advantageously protects the entire network." *Id.* at 24.

Thus, although the Board referenced the term "entire network," it was not necessary for the ultimate finding of non-obviousness because the Board had already declined to adopt Patent Owner's claim construction. *In re Freeman*, 30 F.3d at 1465 (collateral estoppel applies to issues the "resolution of [which] was essential to a final judgment in the first action"). For that reason, collateral estoppel does not apply and the statement relied on by the Petition was arguably dicta. Additionally, the pages cited by

Petitioner do not address the relationship between edge servers and edge cache which is at issue in this IPR.

In the '1513 FWD, the Board also stated the edge servers located at the POPs are described as capable of "intercept[ing] all network traffic flowing between the POPs 114, 116 and the network 100." Ex. 1012 ['1513 FWD], 29 (citing IPR2018-01513, Ex. 1008 ¶ 107 [Jungck]). As an initial matter, the text portion of Jungck cited and relied on in the '1513 FWD actually states "service providers 118, 120 each include an edge server 602A, 602B ***and an edge cache 604A, 604B*** coupled with the routing equipment 206 of the service providers 118, 120 so as to be able to intercept all network traffic" and, thus, the '1513 IPR does not address the issue in this case regarding the distinction between the operation of the edge server and edge cache. Ex. 1051 ¶ 107 (emphasis added).

Additionally, because the issue in the '1513 FWD was simply whether the claimed boundary existed in Jungck between the protected network and one or more other networks, so the Board did not need to determine whether all traffic goes through the edge servers to reach a decision on obviousness. Ex. 1012 ['1513 FWD], 29; *In re Freeman*, 30 F.3d at 1465 (collateral estoppel applies to issues the "resolution of [which] was essential to a final judgment in the first action"). For that reason, collateral estoppel does not apply and the reference to "all network traffic" was arguably dicta.

In its *Fintiv* Reply, Petitioner also asserts "PO does not even address the evidence that it was well-known to filter both inbound and outbound traffic." *Fintiv* Reply 9 (citing Pet. 43–44; Ex. 1004 ¶¶ 72–73, 238–241). As noted above, Patent Owner does respond to the "well-known" argument and we are persuaded by Patent Owner's response. Petitioner also cites to

portions of the Declaration (Ex. 1004 ¶¶ 72–73) to support the "well-known" argument. *Id.* However, as explained above, those paragraphs of the Declaration are not cited or explained in the Petition. *Id.*

c. Summary of Claim 1

In sum, Petitioner does not explain how the edge cache devices contribute or detract from Jungck's ability to teach or suggest the "entire boundary" and "all traffic" limitations of the challenged claims. The evidence of device 900 and claims of collateral estoppel do not remedy this deficiency. In the absence of such evidence, Petitioner has failed to "identif[y], in writing and with particularity, . . . the evidence that supports the grounds for the challenge." *See Intelligent Bio-Sys., Inc. v. Illumina Cambridge Ltd.*, 821 F.3d 1359, 1369 ("It is of the utmost importance that petitioners in the IPR proceedings adhere to the requirement that the initial petition identify 'with particularity' the 'evidence that supports the grounds for the challenge to each claim.'") (quoting 35 U.S.C. § 312(a)(3)); 37 C.F.R. § 42.104(b). For the reasons above, Petitioner has not shown sufficiently that the combination of Jungck and Wood meets the limitation of "[a] method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway . . . comprising: a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary."

d. Independent Claims 8, 15, and 21 and Dependent Claims 2–7, 9–14, 16–20, 22–27

Petitioner asserts that Jungck and Wood teach the limitations of independent claims 8, 15, and 21 and dependent claims 2–7, 9–14, 16–20, 22–27. These claims also recite the "entire boundary" and "all traffic"

limitations and thus, for the same reasons as above, Petitioner has not demonstrated a reasonable likelihood of success in establishing the unpatentability of any of independent claims 1, 8, 15, and 21, and claims 2–7, 16–20, and 22–27 which depend therefrom, as having been obvious over Jungck and Wood.

E. Obviousness of Claims over Jungck, Sarathy, and Wood

Petitioner asserts that claims 1–27 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Jungck, Sarathy, and Wood. Pet. 6. To support its contentions, Petitioner provides explanations as to how the prior art allegedly teaches each claim limitation. *Id.* at 65 68.

Petitioner's contentions that Jungck, Sarathy, and Wood teach the limitations of independent claims 8, 15, and 21 and dependent claims 2–7, 9–14, 16–20, 22–27 do not cure the deficiencies discussed above as to the "entire boundary" and "all traffic" limitations. Thus, for the same reasons as above, Petitioner has not demonstrated a reasonable likelihood of success in establishing the unpatentability of any of independent claims 1, 8, 15, and 21, and claims 2–7, 16–20, and 22–27 which depend therefrom, as having been obvious over Jungck, Sarathy, and Wood.

F. Summary

For the foregoing reasons, we determine that Petitioner has not demonstrated a reasonable likelihood of success in establishing the unpatentability of any of independent claims 1, 8, 15, and 21, and claims 2–7, 16–20, and 22–27 which depend therefrom, on the obviousness grounds asserted in the Petition.

G. *Discretionary Denial Under 35 U.S.C. § 314(a) and/or 325(d)*

Because we deny institution upon consideration of the merits of Petitioner's challenges, we need not address Patent Owner's arguments that we should exercise our discretion under 35 U.S.C. § 314(a) and/or § 325(d) to deny institution.

II. CONCLUSION

Petitioner has not demonstrated a reasonable likelihood of prevailing with respect to any of claims 1–27 of the '266 patent under any of the proffered grounds.

III. ORDER

For the reasons given, it is:

ORDERED that, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 314(a), an *inter partes* review is not instituted for claims 1–27 of U.S. Patent No. 10,785,266 B2.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, the method comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway and from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the

dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

8. (Currently Amended) A packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, comprising:

one or more processors; and

memory storing instructions that, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the packet security gateway to:

receive, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one

third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receive, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

9. (Currently Amended) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

10. (Currently Amended) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

11. (Currently Amended) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a

subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

12. (Original) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

13. (Original) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the instructions further cause the packet security gateway to:

receive packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

perform the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

14. (Original) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

15. (Currently Amended) One or more non-transitory computer readable media storing instructions that, when executed by at least one processor, cause a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, to perform steps comprising:

receiving, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

16. (Currently Amended) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

17. (Currently Amended) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic, and wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

18. (Original) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

19. (Original) The computer readable media of claim 15, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

20. (Original) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

21. (Currently Amended) A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway configured for protection of a network and associated with a security policy management server external from the network, the method comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules from the security policy management server, wherein each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and wherein one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and

were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

25. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

26. (Original) The method of claim 21, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

27. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

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7. ☐ Other _____.

/KENNETH W CHANG/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2438

DETAILED ACTION

1. This Notice and Reasons for Allowance is in response to applicants' amendment and remarks filed on 07/16/2020. Claims 1-4, 8-11, 15-17, and 21-24 have been amended. **Claims 1-27** are currently pending and have been considered as follows.

2. The text of those sections of Title 35 U.S. Code not included in this section can be found in the prior office action.

3. The prior office actions are incorporated herein by reference. In particular, the observations with respect to claim language, and response to previously presented arguments.

4. The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

Information Disclosure Statement

5. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 07/10/2020 has been placed in the application file, and the information referred therein has been considered as to the merits.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. **Claims 1-27** are allowed.

Examiner's Statement for Reasons of Allowance

7. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

In interpreting the currently amended claims in light of the specification, the Examiner finds the claimed invention to be patentably distinct from the prior art of record.

Independent **Claims 1, 8, 15, and 21** are allowed in view of applicants' amendment and remarks filed on 07/16/2020 which are persuasive and the telephone interview conducted on 07/14/2020. Claims **2-7, 9-14, 16-20, and 22-27** depend upon respective independent claims above and are allowed by virtue of their dependencies.

Although, the closest prior art found **Jalava et al. (US 20030118038 A1)** discloses **"A personalized firewall or other network gateway is provided by a method of matching a data packet to a rule in a network gateway having a rule base. One or more identification values are determined (302) on the basis of the data packet and property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values are queried (304) and received from a property server. The property value(s) describe for example allowed connections and services for an entity associated with the identification value(s). The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract])**,

None of the prior art of record teaches individually or in combination the particular limitations listed below [emphasis added] as recited in applicants' amended independent claims:

- [Claim 1] "one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were ***automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information,***

received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic";

- [Claim 1] "***wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service***";
- [Claim 8] "one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were ***automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic***";
- [Claim 8] "***wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated***

malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service";

- [Claim 15] "one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were ***automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic informations received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic***";
- [Claim 15] "***wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service***";
- [Claim 21] "one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were ***automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been***

determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic";

- [Claim 21] "***wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises <u>an updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service</u>***".

The **closest** prior art made of record and cited consisted of the following references.

<u>Baum et al.</u> (US 6400707 B1) disclosed a system and method for conducting a voice communication through a hybrid network which includes a packet internetwork, such as the Internet, connected to a circuit switched telephone network. The packet internetwork is connected to the switched telephone network through a static filter device, a packet switch, and a telephone network controlled gateway. A control processor is connected to the packet switch and to the filter device. The filter device generates a real time copy of call set up signaling dialog between the party requesting connection and the gateway which passes through or to the filter device. This duplicate of set up signaling is delivered from the filter device through the packet switch to the control processor. The control processor generates therefrom a filter device control signal which specifies the filter parameters derived from the set-up signaling dialog. This filter device control signal is delivered to the filter device and reconfigures the filter device to set filter parameters which are customized to the specific communication. The filter device thereupon filters the conversation stream of packetized voice.

Vaidya (US 6279113 B1) disclosed a signature based dynamic network intrusion detection system (IDS) includes attack signature profiles which are descriptive of characteristics of known network security violations. The attack signature profiles are organized into sets of attack signature profiles according to security requirements of network objects on a network. Each network object is assigned a set of attack signature profiles which is stored in a signature profile memory together with association data indicative of which sets of attack signature profiles correspond to which network objects. A monitoring device monitors network traffic for data addressed to the network objects. Upon detecting a data packet addressed to one of the network objects, packet information is extracted from the data packet. The extracted information is utilized to obtain a set of attack signature profiles corresponding to the network object based on the association data. A virtual processor executes instructions associated with attack signature profiles to determine if the packet is associated with a known network security violation. An attack signature profile generator is utilized to generate additional attack signature profiles configured for processing by the virtual processor in the absence of any corresponding modification of the virtual processor.

Sawada et al. (US 20020016858 A1) disclosed a packet communications apparatus comprising a plurality of network interfaces (NIFs), a learned address table, a packet forwarding unit (PFU) and a processor for directive packets to change state (PDPCS). The learned address table contains information for identifying a NIF through which to send a packet. The PFU selects a port through which to forward a packet by referring to the learned address table, according to the state of the NIFs, and forwards or discards a packet received from a user terminal. The PDPCS receives a packet

including a directive to change the state of a specific NIF to one of the connected state, disconnected state and stateless. The PDPCS changes the state of the specific NIF to one of the connected state, disconnected state and stateless, according to the directive in the packet.

Jalava et al. (US 20030118038 A1) disclosed a method of matching a data packet to a rule in a network gateway having a rule base. One or more identification values are determined (302) on the basis of the data packet and property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values are queried (304) and received from a property server. The property value(s) describe for example allowed connections and services for an entity associated with the identification value(s). The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values.

Talpade et al. (US 20040148520 A1) disclosed a sensor that examines the traffic entering the customer network for attack traffic. When an attack is detected, the sensor notifies an analysis engine within the ISP network to mitigate the attack. The analysis engine configures a filter router to advertise new routing information to the border and edge routers of the ISP network. The new routing information instructs the border and edge routers to reroute attack traffic and non-attack traffic destined for the customer network to the filter router. At the filter router, the attack traffic and non-attack traffic are automatically filtered to remove the attack traffic. The non-attack traffic is passed back onto the ISP network for routing towards the customer network.

Kang et al. (US 20050076227 A1) disclosed an in-line mode network intrusion detecting and preventing system coupled between a protection network and an external network, for detecting intrusion states between the networks and preventing the intrusion. The system comprises a first network processor unit for monitoring the packets communicated between the networks to collect various statistical data, and performing a packet filtering process according to a packet preventing rule and a packet sensing process according to a sensing rule; and a second network processor unit for checking payloads of the packets with reference to attack signatures to detect the attack states to one of the networks.

Bhatnagar et al. (US 20060123481 A1) disclosed deep packet inspection that may be dynamically updated with patterns associated with malicious code, so that malicious code may be detected and blocked at the network level. As new threats are identified by a security service, new patterns may be created for those threats, and the new patterns may then be passed out onto the network in real time. The real time availability of patterns enables filter rules derived from the patterns to be applied by the network elements so that malicious code may be filtered on the network before it reaches the end users. The filter rules may be derived by security software resident in the network elements or may be generated by a filter generation service configured to generate network element specific filter rules for those network elements that are to be implemented as detection points on the network.

Joshi et al. (US 20060262798 A1) disclosed an apparatus and method to isolate ports on layer 2 switches on the same VLAN to restrict traffic flow. The apparatus comprises a switch having said plurality of ports, each port configured as a protected

port or a non-protected port. An address table memory stores an address table having a destination address and port number pair. A forwarding map generator generates a forwarding map which is responsive to a destination address of a data packet. The method for isolating ports on a layer 2 switch comprises configuring each of the ports on the layer 2 switch as a protected port or a non-protected port. A destination address on an data packet is matched with a physical address on said layer 2 switch and a forwarding map is generated for the data packet based upon the destination address on the data packet. The data packet is then sent to the plurality of ports pursuant to the forwarding map generated based upon whether the ingress port was configured as a protected or nonprotected port.

Lok (US 20070056038 A1) disclosed an intrusion protection system that fuses a network instrumentation classification with a packet payload signature matching system. Each of these kinds of systems is independently capable of being effectively deployed as an anomaly detection system. By employing sensor fusion techniques to combine the instrumentation classification approach with the signature matching approach, this provides an intrusion protection system that is capable of detecting both well known and newly developed threats while having a low false positive rate.

SUH et al. (US 20080043739 A1) disclosed a network system using Mobile Internet Protocol (IP). The network system includes a correspondent node for transmitting a packet in which information passing a packet filter rule is included, and a packet filtering apparatus for determining whether an address included in information of the packet received from the correspondent node is identical to a destination address

stored in the packet filter rule, and determining whether to pass the packet according to the determination result.

Friskney et al. (US 20080279196 A1) disclosed enabling differential forwarding in address-based carrier networks such as Ethernet networks. There is described a method of and connection controller for establishing connections (76, 77) in a frame-based communications network comprising nodes (71-75 and 78) such as Ethernet switches. The connections are established by configuring, in various of the nodes, mappings for forwarding data frames, such as Ethernet frames. The mappings are from a combination of a) a destination (or source) address corresponding to a destination (or source) node (73) of the connection and b) an identifier, such as a VLAN tag. The mappings are to selected output ports of the various nodes. By using the combination of destination (or source) address AND identifier, the mappings enable data frames belonging to different connections (76, 77) to be forwarded differentially (ie forwarded on different output ports) at a node (75) despite the different connections having the same destination node. This enables flexibility in routing connections and the ability to perform traffic engineering.

Haswell (US 20090150996 A1) disclosed embedding a programmable packet filter into an application to protect the application against malicious network packets are disclosed. Traditional packet filtering techniques to protect against malicious packets designed to exploit defects in applications, based on external packet filtering devices create a bottleneck in network traffic and present a large overhead cost. In addition, when security vulnerabilities in applications are discovered, traditional application updating methods lack a fast enough turn-around time to protect the application and

users data from attack. These problems can be overcome by embedding a programmable packet filter into the application itself. The application can use the filter to discard malicious network packets. Furthermore, the filter can be updated via configuration files downloaded from the application vendor to update the application's embedded programmable packet filter without having to update the entire program code of the application.

Ahn (US 20110055916 A1) disclosed a method including identifying at least one subset of rules and an ordered set of firewall packet filtering rules that defines a firewall policy such that the subset contains disjoint rules. Disjoint rules are defined as rules whose order can be changed without changing integrity of the firewall policy. Rules in the subset are sorted to statistically decrease the number of comparisons that will be applied to each packet that a firewall encounters. Packets are filtered at the firewall using the sorted rules in the subset by comparing each packet to each of the sorted rules in the subset until the packet is allowed or denied and ceasing the comparing for the packet in response to the packet being allowed or denied and thereby achieving sub-linear searching for packets filtered using the sorted rules in the subset.

Zuk et al. (US 8009566 B2) disclosed inspecting data packets in a computer network. One or more data packets through the network have associated header data and content. One method includes receiving a data packet, examining the data packet to classify the data packet including classifying the data packet using information included in the header and content, determining flow instructions for processing the packet based on both the header information and the content and processing of the packet using the flow instructions.

Jordan (US 8839417 B1) disclosed a system configured to analyze a received network communication; determine, based on information above the data link layer of the received network communication, if the received network communication is to be handled by a service available on a network; and respond affirmatively to a device sending the network communication that the service is available on the network. If it is determined that the service is available on the network, the code is configured to cause a processor to route received network communication to a component within the network that is configured to provide the service. If it is determined that the service is not available on the network, the code is configured to cause a processor to route the received network communication to a predetermined network component configured to analyze and interact with the received network communication and to generate rules based on analysis and interaction with the received network communication.

Bharali et al. (US 20140150051 A1) disclosed receiving a network policy that includes a domain name (e.g., the network policy can include a network security rule that is based on the domain name); and periodically updating Internet Protocol (IP) address information associated with the domain name by performing a Domain Name Server (DNS) query. In some embodiments, dynamic resolution of Fully Qualified Domain Name (FQDN) address objects in policy definitions includes dynamically performing a first local Domain Name Server (DNS) lookup for a first VSYS using a first DNS server on a first domain name for implementing a network policy based on the first domain name; dynamically performing a second local DNS lookup for a second VSYS using a second DNS server on the first domain name for implementing the network policy based on the first domain name; in which the network policy includes a network

security rule that is based on the first domain name, and the network policy includes a network security rule that is based on the second domain name.

However, the prior art of record, taken by itself or in any combination, **do not** anticipate or make obvious the invention of the present application and in particular the claim features listed above.

8. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

9. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicants' disclosure.

a. **Xu et al., ("Source Address Filtering Firewall to Defend against Denial of Service Attacks", September 2004, IEEE 60th Vehicular Technology Conference, Vol. 5, pp. 3296-3300)**

b. **Lyon (US 20140245421 A1)**

c. **Sampath et al. (US 8738906 B1)**

d. **Stevens et al. (US 20150135325 A1)**

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S276	0	(malware or malicious) with (host) with (track$9) with (service or informat$9) with rule with packet with filter$9 with (creat$9 or updat$9 or alter$9 or generat$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 17:21
S275	1	"20070118894".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 16:14
S274	1	"20060059551".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 12:08
S273	1	"20080244726".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 12:06
S272	1	"20030088788".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 12:04

S271	1	"20030118038".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 12:00
S270	1	"20120069749".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 11:58
S269	1	"6230271".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 11:58
S268	1	"20080016550".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 11:27
S267	1	"20110016509".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 11:12
S266	93	(firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 same (packet or data or datagram or traffic) and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion or ddos or protect$9) and (server with (external or outside))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 11:07
S265	1	"20030154399".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:59
S264	1	"20070271605".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:52

S263	1	"6400707".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:47
S262	39,467	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:45
S261	3,914	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:45
S260	1,150	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:45
S259	2,058	H04L63/0209.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:45
S258	17,591	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:45
S257	34	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:44
S256	188	(moore adj3 sean).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:44

S255	607	(rogers adj3 steven).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/04/11 10:44
S254	4	(10567437 | 10091246 | 9560077 | 9137205).pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2020/03/20 21:17
S253	29	H04L63/0218.CPC. and (firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/04 15:20
S252	3	(20080040793 | 20130117801 | 7853996).pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/04 15:20
S251	196	H04L63/0263.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/04 15:17
S250	1,047	(set or list$5) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) same (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) same (packet) with (address$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/04 15:17
S249	117	(firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/04 15:17
S239	62	("20020083345" | "20020152209" | "20030005122" | "20030014665" | "20030088787" | "20040015719" | "20040114518" | "20040131056" | "20050249214" | "20060031928" | "20070056038" | "20070291789" | "20080028467" | "20080080493" | "20080086435" | "20080101234" | "20080201772" | "20080313738" | "20080320116" | "20090144819" | "20090262723" |	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/03 17:00

		"20090300759" | "20100115621" | "20100195503" | "20100202299" | "20110214157" | "20120084866" | "20120110656" | "20120240185" | "20130007257" | "20130139236" | "20140082204" | "20140082730" | "20140215561" | "20140337613" | "20150128274" | "20150135325" | "20150207809" | "20150256431" | "20150347246" | "20160028751" | "20160127417" | "20160191558" | "20170223046" | "20170272469" | "6907042" | "6971028" | "7152240" | "7185368" | "7225269" | "7499412" | "7849502" | "8156206" | "8219675" | "8271645" | "8331234" | "8422391" | "8510821" | "9531672" | "9634911" | "9686193").PN.				
S238	37,877	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/03 16:57
S237	3,704	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/03 16:57
S236	1,116	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/03 16:57
S235	20	H04L63/0209.CPC. and (firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/03 16:57
S234	16,620	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/12/03 16:57
S233	1	"20090262741".PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 14:06

S232	43	H04L63/0263.CPC. and (firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:32
S231	18	H04L63/0236.CPC. and (firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:31
S230	26	H04L63/0218.CPC. and (firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:31
S229	18	H04L63/0209.CPC. and (firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:31
S228	39	H04L63/20.CPC. and (firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:31
S227	109	(firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 and (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:30
S226	15	(firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 same (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion) same (packet$9 or frame or traffic$)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:17
S225	38	(firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9 same (malicious or malware or attack$9 or intrusion)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:16

S24	454	(firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9)) same polic$9	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:16
S23	3,300	(firewall or gateway or router) with ((updat$9 or new or modif$9) adj3 (rule or filter$9 or polic$9))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/21 10:16
S22	1	"20140090046".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 22:35
S21	1	"20050076227".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 20:34
S20	1	"20120069749".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 20:32
S19	0	(updat$9 with policy with rule with (signat9 or criter$5) same (drop$9)) same packet	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 18:33
S18	2	(updat$9 with policy with rule with (signat9 or criter$5) same (drop$9))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 18:33
S17	1	(updat$9 with policy with rule with (signat9 or criter$5) with (encapsulat$9 or replac$9 or insert$9))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 18:32

S216	0	(updat$9 with policy with rule with signat9 with (encapsulat$9 or replac$9 or insert$9)) same (router or gateway)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 18:32
S215	0	(updat$9 with policy with rule with signat9 with (encapsulat$9 or replac$9 or insert$9))same gateway	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 18:32
S214	35,632	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S213	3,229	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S212	3,395	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S211	1,064	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S210	1,813	H04L63/0209.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S209	15,017	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:51

S208	162	(moore adj3 sean).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:50
S207	569	(rogers adj3 steven).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:50
S206	23	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:50
S205	3	(10091246 | 9560077 | 9137205).pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/16 14:18
S204	1	"9894051".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2018/05/10 16:43
S203	67	H04L67/02.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
S202	193	H04L63/0263.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
S201	82	H04L63/0236.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36

S200	33	H04L63/0218.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
S199	28	H04L63/0209.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
S198	148	H04L63/20.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:35
S197	1,414	(rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:35
S196	42	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:35
S195	1	"8009566" .pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:34
S194	1	"6279113".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:33
S193	1	"20140150051".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:24

S192	1,425	(rule) with (set or group or subset) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 12:21
S191	152	("20010039579" | "20010039624" | "20020016858" | "20020038339" | "20020049899" | "20020164962" | "20020165949" | "20020186683" | "20020198981" | "20030035370" | "20030097590" | "20030105976" | "20030120622" | "20030123456" | "20030142681" | "20030145225" | "20030154297" | "20030154399" | "20030188192" | "20030212900" | "20040010712" | "20040073655" | "20040088542" | "20040093513" | "20040098511" | "20040151155" | "20040177139" | "20040193943" | "20040205360" | "20040250124" | "20050010765" | "20050024189" | "20050114704" | "20050117576" | "20050125697" | "20050138204" | "20050141537" | "20050183140" | "20050229246" | "20050251570" | "20050286522" | "20060048142" | "20060053491" | "20060070122" | "20060104202" | "20060114899" | "20060136987" | "20060137009" | "20060146879" | "20060195896" | "20060212572" | "20060248580" | "20060262798" | "20070083924" | "20070211644" | "20070240208" | "20080005795" | "20080043739" | "20080072307" | "20080077705" | "20080163333" | "20080229415" | "20080235755" | "20080279196" | "20080301765" | "20090138938" | "20090172800" | "20090222877" | "20090240698" | "20090328219" | "20100011433" | "20100011434" | "20100082811" | "20100095367" | "20100107240" | "20100132027" | "20100199346" | "20100211678" | "20100232445" | "20100242098" | "20100268799" | "20100296441" | "20100303240" | "20110055916" | "20110055923" | "20110088092" | "20110141900" | "20110185055" | "20110270956" | "20120023576" | "20120106354" | "20120113987" | "20120240135" | "20120264443" | "20120314617" | "20120331543" | "20130047020" | "20130059527" | "20130061294" | "20130117852" | "20130254766" | "20130305311" | "20140075510" | "20140115654" | "20140201123" | "20140215574" | "20140281030" | "20140283004" | "20140283030" | "20140366132" | "20150237012" | "20150304354" | "20150334125" | "6098172" | "6147976" | "6226372" | "6317837" | "6484261" | "6611875" | "6662235" | "7089581" | "7107613" | "7215637" | "7227842" | "7237267" | "7263099" | "7299353" | "7331061" | "7478429" | "7539186" | "7610621" | "7684400" | "7710885" | "7721084" | "7818794" | "7954143" | "8004994" | "8037517" | "8042167" | "8117655" | "8176561" | "8306994" | "8495725" | "8726379" | "8806638" | "8856926" | "8935785" | "9094445" | "9124552" | "9137205" | "9154446" | "9160713").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 22:49

S190	458	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:12
S189	28,348	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:12
S188	2,517	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:12
S187	2,500	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:12
S186	893	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11
S185	1,445	H04L63/0209.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11
S184	11,470	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11
S183	16	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11

S182	128	(moore adj3 sean).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11
S181	541	(rogers adj3 steven).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11
S180	2	(9560077 | 9137205).PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:03
S171	3	(6147976 | 9154446 | 7610621).pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:55
S170	16	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND rule and (drop$5 or discard$5) with (packet or flow or flood or frame) same (switch or router or hub) and (lan or local area network) AND (zone or edge or boundary)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:48
S169	189	H04L63/0236.CPC. AND rule and (drop$5 or discard$5) with (packet or flow or flood or frame) same (switch or router or hub) and (lan or local area network) AND (zone or edge or boundary)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:48
S168	27	H04L63/0209.CPC. AND rule and (drop$5 or discard$5) with (packet or flow or flood or frame) same (switch or router or hub) and (lan or local area network) AND (zone or edge or boundary)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:48
S167	210	H04L63/20.CPC. AND rule and (drop$5 or discard$5) with (packet or flow or flood or frame) same (switch or router or hub) and (lan or local area network) AND (zone or edge or boundary)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:48

S166	780	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:47
S165	2,077	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:47
S164	22,610	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:47
S163	1,249	H04L63/0209.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:47
S162	9,210	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:47
S161	4,596	rule and (drop$5 or discard$5) with (packet or flow or flood or frame) same (switch or router or hub) and (lan or local area network) AND (zone or edge or boundary)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	OR	ON	2016/09/22 15:46
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		or US-5490252-$ or US-5491694-$ or US-5521910-$ or US-5615340-$ or US-5640456-$).did. or (US-5642421-$ or US-5657452-$ or US-5684800-$ or US-5729594-$ or US-5737318-$ or US-5751952-$ or US-5768525-$ or US-5781550-$ or US-5790546-$ or US-5796942-$ or US-5799285-$ or US-5828846-$ or US-5864683-$ or US-5896499-$ or US-5913037-$ or US-5935249-$ or US-5946308-$ or US-5950172-$ or US-5953337-$ or US-6009528-$ or US-6035405-$ or US-6070243-$ or US-6081524-$ or US-6084858-$ or US-6098173-$ or US-6101539-$ or US-6101170-$).did. or (US-6118775-$ or US-6141755-$ or US-6148402-$ or US-6147995-$ or US-6167052-$ or US-6172991-$ or US-6188671-$ or US-6195705-$ or US-6199113-$ or US-6202081-$ or US-6230002-$ or US-6230271-$ or US-6249519-$ or US-4332980-$ or US-4445214-$ or US-4509073-$ or US-4768204-$ or US-4771422-$ or US-4787082-$ or US-4802220-$ or US-4823389-$ or US-4866770-$ or US-4872160-$ or US-4896319-$ or US-4922486-$ or US-4985895-$ or US-5048087-$).did. or (US-5029207-$ or US-5220501-$ or US-5228083-$ or US-5235644-$ or US-5237610-$ or US-5247380-$ or US-5261044-$ or US-5261059-$ or US-5268962-$ or US-5282244-$ or US-5295244-$ or US-5303302-$ or US-5303303-$ or US-5311593-$ or US-5313465-$ or US-5319712-$ or US-5351287-$ or US-5353353-$ or US-5386471-$ or US-5394469-$).did.				
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			USPAT; EPO			
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S154	98	(vlan or virtual$5 lan) same different$5 with (rout$9) same (destination) with (address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/01/05 14:20
S153	157	(vlan or virtual$5 lan) same different$5 with (rout$9) same (destination) with (address)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/01/05 14:07
S152	456	(vlan or virtual$5 lan) same (rout$9) same (destination) with (address) same different	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/01/05 14:07
S151	2,204	(vlan or virtual$5 lan) same (rout$9) same (destination) same (address)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/01/05 14:07
S150	1	"20110055916".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	OR	ON	2016/01/05 10:22
S148	1	"20080043739".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	OR	ON	2016/01/05 10:20
S147	1	"9137205".pn.	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2016/01/04 16:47

			AT; EPO			
S145	1	"9137205".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:59
S144	176	H04L63/20.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:52
S143	43	H04L63/0263.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:52
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S141	12	H04L67/02.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:52
S140	6	H04L63/0236.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:52
S139	4	H04L63/0218.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9)	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51

		and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	AT; EPO			
S138	12	H04L63/02.CPC. AND (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S137	29	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S136	314	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan) and (rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S135	314	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S134	1,264	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:49
S133	1,418	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:48

S132	1,418	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border or boundary or boundaries)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:48
S131	3,288	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:48
S130	3,294	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:47
S129	19,319	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:47
S128	31,220	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:47
S127	9	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:45
S126	110	(moore adj3 sean).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:45
S125	488	(rogers adj3 steven).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:45

S124	18,904	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S123	7,270	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S122	1,626	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S121	1,853	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S120	720	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S119	35	H04L63/02.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S118	123	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S117	8	("20020049899" | "20060136987" | "20060146879" | "20070240208" | "20100242098" | "20130061294" | "6317837" | "8306994").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/07/30 16:25

S116	6	("20030154297" | "20060114899" | "20110185055" | "20120331543" | "20130254766" | "8004994").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/07/30 16:25
S115	3	("7478429" | "7818794" | "8935785").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/07/22 10:50
S112	34	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9) and (edge or boundary or boundaries or border$5) with network	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:38
S111	51	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9) and (edge or boundary or boundaries or border$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:38
S110	96	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:37
S109	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or encapsul$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:36
S108	12	(US-20060212572-$ or US-20030145225-$ or US-20060048142-$ or US-20010039624-$ or US-20050138204-$ or US-20100296441-$ or US-20080072307-$ or US-20050141537-$ or US-20030142681-$ or US-20100082811-$ or US-20030035370-$ or US-20110088092-$).did.	US-PGPUB	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:35
S107	6	("20030097590" | "20090328219" | "20120240135" | "20120314617" | "6611875" | "8806638").PN.	US-PGPUB;	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 14:52

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S90	96	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9 or encapsul$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:26
S88	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:22
S87	67	H04L63/0263.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:22
S86	67	H04L63/0263.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:11
S85	96	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:11
S84	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:11
S83	1,680	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:04

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S82	5,918	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:04
S81	655	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:04
S80	6	("20030097590" | "20090328219" | "20120240135" | "20120314617" | "6611875" | "8806638").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:26
S79	34	(SIP or session initiat$9 protocol) with (URI or uniform resourse) with (header or heading) same (network address$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:20
S78	1,202	(SIP or session initiat$9 protocol) with (URI or uniform resourse) with (header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:20
S77	1,806	(SIP or session initiat$9 protocol) same (URI or uniform resourse) same (header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:19
S76	114	(network with transparent$5 with layer) same address$9 same (link$9) and (secure or security or attack$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 14:01
S75	171	(network with transparent$5 with layer) same address$9 same (link$9)	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 14:00

			AT; EPO			
S74	539	(network with transparent$5 with layer) same address$9	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 14:00
S73	2	("20080005795" | "20090172800").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 13:49
S72	3	("7539186" | "7710885" | "8856926").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 13:48
S71	66	H04L63/0263.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S70	88	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S69	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S68	1,654	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54

S67	5,709	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S66	647	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:53
S65	1	"20140115654".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:53
S64	26	713/1,100,150,151,152,153,154,155,166,167,168.CCLS. AND S61	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S63	54	709/201,203,217,218,219,220,223,224,225,226,227,228,229,230,231,238,239,240,242,244,245.CCLS. AND S61	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S62	31	726/3,6,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,22,23,24,25.CCLS. AND S61	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S61	198	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) same (ipsec or ip security or internet protocol security)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S60	24,976	713/1,100,150,151,152,153,154,155,166,167,168.CCLS.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26

S59	125,386	709/201,203,217,218,219,220,223,224,225,226,227,228,229,230,231,238,239,240,242,244,245.CCLS.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S58	26,093	726/3,6,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,22,23,24,25.CCLS.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:24
S57	1	"20030035370".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 01:42
S56	1	"20050135375".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 01:39
S55	1	"20110088092".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:40
S54	69	(spoof$5) with (address$5) with (network or source) with (policy or policies or rule)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:28
S53	209	(spoof$5) with (address$5) with (network or source) same (policy or policies or rule)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:28
S52	1	"20100082811".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:08

S51	1	"20080279200".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:51
S50	5	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (paid or pay)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:46
S49	5	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (provider) with (subscription or subscribing or subscriber)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:42
S48	55	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (provider) with (service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:41
S47	15	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (subscription or subscriber or subscribing) with (service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:38
S46	222	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) same (subscription or subscriber or subscribing or customer)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:38
S45	2	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) same (subscription or subscriber or subscribing or customer)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:38
S44	3	(differentiat$10 service code point select$5 or dscp select$5 or Diff-Serv Code Point) same (header or heading) same (traffic or packet) same (policy or policies or rule)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 22:48

S43	26	(differentiat$10 service code point select$5 or dscp select$5 or Diff-Serv Code Point) same (header or heading) same (traffic or packet)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 22:47
S42	10	(differentiat$10 service code point select$5 or dscp select$5) same (header or heading) same (traffic or packet)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 22:47
S41	34	(forward$9) with (packet) same (queue or group or buffer$5) same (priority) same (faster or higher) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 21:56
S40	11	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8) same (voip or voice over ip or voice over internet protocol) same (call or session or traffic or connection)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:32
S39	12	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8) same (voip or voice over ip or voice over internet protocol)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:32
S38	223	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8) and (voip or voice over ip or voice over internet protocol)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:31
S37	21	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:07
S36	5	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5) with (only)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:07

S35	5	(addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5) with (only)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:05
S34	15	(addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:04
S33	12	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) with (packet) with (address$5) with (blacklist$5 or black list$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:28
S32	19	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) with (packet) with (address$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:28
S31	1	(blacklist$5 or black list$5) with (address$9) with increas$9 with (policy or policies)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:26
S30	546	(set or list$5) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) with (packet) with (address$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:24
S29	705	(set or list$5) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) same (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) same (packet) with (address$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:24
S28	1,857	(set or list$5) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) same (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) same (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) same (packet) same (address$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:24

S27	8,993	(set or list$5) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) same (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:23
S26	74	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) same (ipsec or ip security or internet protocol security) and (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) same (policy or policies) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 15:35
S25	9	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) same (ipsec or ip security or internet protocol security) and (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) same (policy or policies) and (pipelin$5 or parallel$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 15:25
S24	28	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) same (ipsec or ip security or internet protocol security) and (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) same (policy or policies)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 15:25
S23	198	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) same (ipsec or ip security or internet protocol security)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 15:24
S22	253	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) and (ipsec or ip security or internet protocol security)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 15:23
S21	252	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) and (ipsec or ip security)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 15:23

S20	534	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:19
S19	534	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:18
S18	551	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:18
S17	570	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:18
S16	1,430	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:17
S15	3,295	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:16
S14	3,686	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:15
S13	4,415	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:14

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S10	17	S6 and (gateway) and (policy or policies)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:05
S9	7	S8 and (gateway) and (policy or policies)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 00:03
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S5	3	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/18 14:50
S4	95	(moore adj3 sean).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/18 14:49
S3	443	(rogers adj3 steven).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/18 14:49
S2	5,511	726/1.CCLS.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/18 14:49
S1	19	("20120113987" | "20060195896" | "7684400" | "20060248580" | "20110055916" | "0000000" | "20110270956" | "20130059527" | "20100011434" | "20120264443" | "6226372" | "20040151155" | "20030212900" | "20050117576" | "20060048142" | "20030188192" | "7721084" | "20030123456" | "20070083924" | "20100211678").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/18 14:49

EAST Search History (Interference)

Ref #	Hits	Search Query	DBs	Default Operator	Plurals	Time Stamp
L26	3	(address AND (malicious or malware or blacklist$9) AND (traffic or packet$5) AND service AND (filter$9) AND (polic$5 or rule) AND gateway AND (secure or security) AND protect$9).CLM.	USPAT	ADJ	ON	2020/07/27 10:36
L25	1	(address AND (malicious or malware or blacklist$9) AND (traffic or packet$5) AND service AND (filter$9) AND (polic$5 or rule) AND (third with party)).CLM.	USPAT	ADJ	ON	2020/07/27 10:35
L24	3	(address AND (malicious or malware or blacklist$9) AND (traffic or packet$5) AND service AND (filter$9) AND (polic$5 or rule) AND gateway AND (creat$9 or modif$9 or alter$9)).CLM.	USPAT	ADJ	ON	2020/07/27 10:35
L23	3	(address AND (malicious or malware or blacklist$9) AND (traffic or packet$5) AND service AND (filter$9) AND (polic$5 or rule) AND gateway AND (updat$9)).CLM.	USPAT	ADJ	ON	2020/07/27 10:35
L22	1	(address AND (malicious or malware or blacklist$9) AND (traffic or packet$5) AND service AND (filter$9) AND (polic$5 or rule) AND gateway AND (transform$9 or function)).CLM.	USPAT	ADJ	ON	2020/07/27 10:34
L21	1	(address AND (malicious or malware or blacklist$9) AND (traffic or packet$5) AND service AND (filter$9) AND (polic$5 or rule) AND gateway AND match$9).CLM.	USPAT	ADJ	ON	2020/07/27 10:34
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L19	18	(address AND (malicious or malware or blacklist$9) AND (traffic or packet$5) AND service AND (filter$9) AND (polic$5 or rule)).CLM.	USPAT	ADJ	ON	2020/07/27 10:33
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Applicant-Initiated Interview Summary	**Application No.** 16/728,766	**Applicant(s)** Rogers et al.	
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All participants (applicant, applicants representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Kenneth W. Chang.

(2) Scott Kelly.

(3) Kirk Sigmon.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 14 July 2020.

Type: ☑ Telephonic ☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal [copy given to: ☐ applicant ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☑ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Issues Discussed ☐101 ☐112 ☐102 ☑103 ☐Others
(For each of the checked box(es) above, please describe below the issue and detailed description of the discussion)

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Javala and Bhatnagar.

Substance of Interview
(For each issue discussed, provide a detailed description and indicate if agreement was reached. Some topics may include: identification or clarification of a reference or a portion thereof, claim interpretation, proposed amendments, arguments of any applied references etc...)

The Examiner conducted a telephone conference with applicants' attorneys of record Scott Kelly (Reg. No. 65,121) and Kirk Sigmon (Reg. No. 76,326) to discuss the claims. Attorney Kelly distinguished the claimed invention from the prior art, and the Examiner gave suggestions to clarify the claim language. Attorney Sigmon discussed possible amendments to the claims to overcome the Bhatnagar reference..

Applicant recordation instructions: The formal written reply to the last Office action must include the substance of the interview. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, applicant is given a non-extendable period of the longer of one month or thirty days from this interview date, or the mailing date of this interview summary form, whichever is later, to file a statement of the substance of the interview.

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/KENNETH W CHANG/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2438	

Summary of Record of Interview Requirements

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record
A complete written statement as to the substance of any face-to-face, video conference, or telephone interview with regard to an application must be made of record in the application whether or not an agreement with the examiner was reached at the interview.

Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1.133 Interviews
Paragraph (b)

In every instance where reconsideration is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action must be filed by the applicant. An interview does not remove the necessity for reply to Office action as specified in §§ 1.111, 1.135. (35 U.S.C. 132)

37 CFR §1.2 Business to be transacted in writing.
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The action of the Patent and Trademark Office cannot be based exclusively on the written record in the Office if that record is itself incomplete through the failure to record the substance of interviews.

It is the responsibility of the applicant or the attorney or agent to make the substance of an interview of record in the application file, unless the examiner indicates he or she will do so. It is the examiners responsibility to see that such a record is made and to correct material inaccuracies which bear directly on the question of patentability.

Examiners must complete an Interview Summary Form for each interview held where a matter of substance has been discussed during the interview by checking the appropriate boxes and filling in the blanks. Discussions regarding only procedural matters, directed solely to restriction requirements for which interview recordation is otherwise provided for in Section 812.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, or pointing out typographical errors or unreadable script in Office actions or the like, are excluded from the interview recordation procedures below. Where the substance of an interview is completely recorded in an Examiners Amendment, no separate Interview Summary Record is required.

The Interview Summary Form shall be given an appropriate Paper No., placed in the right hand portion of the file, and listed on the "Contents" section of the file wrapper. In a personal interview, a duplicate of the Form is given to the applicant (or attorney or agent) at the conclusion of the interview. In the case of a telephone or video-conference interview, the copy is mailed to the applicants correspondence address either with or prior to the next official communication. If additional correspondence from the examiner is not likely before an allowance or if other circumstances dictate, the Form should be mailed promptly after the interview rather than with the next official communication.

The Form provides for recordation of the following information:
- Application Number (Series Code and Serial Number)
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- Date of interview
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- Name of participant(s) (applicant, attorney or agent, examiner, other PTO personnel, etc.)
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- An identification of the specific prior art discussed
- An indication whether an agreement was reached and if so, a description of the general nature of the agreement (may be by attachment of a copy of amendments or claims agreed as being allowable). Note: Agreement as to allowability is tentative and does not restrict further action by the examiner to the contrary.
- The signature of the examiner who conducted the interview (if Form is not an attachment to a signed Office action)

It is desirable that the examiner orally remind the applicant of his or her obligation to record the substance of the interview of each case. It should be noted, however, that the Interview Summary Form will not normally be considered a complete and proper recordation of the interview unless it includes, or is supplemented by the applicant or the examiner to include, all of the applicable items required below concerning the substance of the interview.

A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:
1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,-
2) an identification of the claims discussed,
3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
4) an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner,
5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner,
(The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by the examiner.

Examiners are expected to carefully review the applicants record of the substance of an interview. If the record is not complete and accurate, the examiner will give the applicant an extendable one month time period to correct the record.

Examiner to Check for Accuracy

If the claims are allowable for other reasons of record, the examiner should send a letter setting forth the examiners version of the statement attributed to him or her. If the record is complete and accurate, the examiner should place the indication, Interview Record OK on the paper recording the substance of the interview along with the date and the examiners initials.

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Commissioner:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 16, 2020, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 11.

If any fees are required or if an overpayment has been made, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 19-0733, accordingly.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, the method comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway and from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the

dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

8. (Currently Amended) A packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, comprising:

one or more processors; and

memory storing instructions that, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the packet security gateway to:

receive, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one

third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receive, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

9. (Currently Amended) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

10. (Currently Amended) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

11. (Currently Amended) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a

subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

12. (Original) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

13. (Original) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the instructions further cause the packet security gateway to:

receive packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

perform the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

14. (Original) The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

15. (Currently Amended) One or more non-transitory computer readable media storing instructions that, when executed by at least one processor, cause a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, to perform steps comprising:

receiving, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

16. (Currently Amended) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

17. (Currently Amended) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic, and wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

18. (Original) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

19. (Original) The computer readable media of claim 15, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

20. (Original) The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

21. (Currently Amended) A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway configured for protection of a network and associated with a security policy management server external from the network, the method comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules from the security policy management server, wherein each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and wherein one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and

were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the at least one third party malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses ~~indicated by the malicious traffic information~~.

23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the ~~malicious traffic information comprises a list of~~one or more network addresses were associated, by a subscription service, with malicious network traffic~~known to be associated with malicious network traffic~~.

25. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

26. (Original) The method of claim 21, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

27. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

REMARKS

The Office Action of April 16, 2020, (the "Action") has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Claims 1–4, 8–11, 15–17, and 21–24 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 1–27 are therefore pending, with claims 1, 8, 15, and 21 being independent. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested.

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Applicant thanks Examiner Chang for the interview on July 14, 2020. During that interview, the 35 U.S.C. § 103 rejections were discussed. No agreement was reached.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1–3, 5, 7–10, 12, 14–16, 18, 20–23, 25, and 27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 for allegedly being unpatentable over, U.S. Pub. No. 2003/0118038 to Jalava *et al.* ("Jalava") in view of U.S. Pub. No. 2006/0123481 to Bhatnagar *et al.* ("Bhatnagar").

Claims 4, 11, 17, and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 for allegedly being unpatentable over Jalava, Bhatnagar, and U.S. Pub. No. 2010/0082811 to Van Der Merwe *et al.* ("Van Der Merwe").

Claims 6, 13, 19, and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 for allegedly being unpatentable over Jalava and Bhatnagar, further in view of U.S. Pub. No. 2009/0262741 to Jungck *et al.* ("Jungck").

Claim 1 and Claims Depending Therefrom

Claim 1 has been amended to recite, *inter alia*:

> *receiving, by the packet security gateway and from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:*
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> *each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and*
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> *one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the*

security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic;

None of the cited references teach, disclose, or otherwise suggest at least these features for at least the following reasons.

None of the cited references teach, disclose, or otherwise suggest "*receiving, by the packet security gateway and from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein: each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic*." The Action, on page 7, concedes that Jalava "does not specifically disclose . . . packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service." To remedy this deficiency, the Action cites Bhatnagar, asserting (on page 7 of the Action) that Bhatnagar "create[]s updated filter rules by filter generation service based on translating malicious traffic patterns received from the security service [0022]; [0024]." Bhatnagar describes that "network elements" may be "updated with patterns associated with malicious code, so that malicious code may be detected and blocked at the network level." (Bhatnagar, Abstract). Such patterns are "malicious code definitions" which may be "update[d] . . . daily or several times per

day." (*Id.*, para. 0007). Bhatnagar explains that "a security service 30," such as "Symantec™ and MacAfee™," "provides updates 32 as new threats are identified on the network." (*Id.,* para. 0022). Bhatnagar elaborates:

> When a new threat is identified, the security service 30 will obtain a signature of the threat from the agents (not shown) and generate a pattern that may be used by the network elements 12, 14, to identify the threat. Pattern generation of this sort is currently done by security services, for example, in connection with providing updates to security software 24, and the invention is not limited to a particular manner of generating these types of updates.

(*Id.*). But Bhatnagar fails to teach, disclose, or otherwise suggest "*receiving . . . a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein: . . . one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses and were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic.*" First, Bhatnagar's "pattern[s]" are not "*one or more first packet filtering rules"* that "*comprise packet matching criteria corresponding to one or more network addresses,"* but instead are "malicious code definitions." (*Id.,* para. 0007). Such patterns are used, by the network element or other devices, to later generate rules to detect those code threats. (*Id.,* paras. 0023–0024). In other words, Bhatnagar discusses code signatures, but not "*one or more first packet filtering rules*" that "*were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server.*" Second, even assuming that Bhatnagar did disclose "packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server" (not conceded by Applicant), Bhatnagar does not teach, disclose, or otherwise suggest that such rules were "*were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on aggregated malicious traffic information, received from at least one third party malicious host tracker service located in the one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, that comprises network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic.*" For instance, Bhatnagar does not teach "*aggregated malicious traffic information.*" And,

in any event, such information does not comprise "*network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic*."

Accordingly, claim 1 is in a condition for allowance. Independent claims 8, 15, and 21 have been similarly amended and are allowable for similar reasons. Claims 2–7, 9–14, 16–20, and 22–27 depend from independent claims 1, 8, 15, and 21 and are allowable for similar reasons, and also because of their respective novel features.

As one example of how the dependent claims define over the cited references, claim 2 has been amended to recite "*wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one of the one or more network addresses*." As indicated above, page 7 of the Action concedes that Jalava "does not specifically disclose . . . packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service." To remedy this deficiency, the Action cites Bhatnagar. The Action seems to assert that Bhatnagar teaches "*malicious traffic information*" through its patterns; that is, "malicious code definitions." (*Id.*, para. 0007). But Bhatnagar does not indicate that such patterns "*comprise[] network addresses that have been determined, by the at least one third party malicious host tracker service, to be associated with malicious network traffic.*" Claims 9, 16, and 22 are allowable for similar reasons.

As another example of how the dependent claims define over the cited references, claim 3 recites "*wherein the at least one third party malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.*" Bhatnagar's "security service 30 will obtain a signature of the threat from the agents (not shown) and generate a pattern that may be used by the network elements." (*Id.*, para. 0022). Regardless of whether Bhatnagar's "security service 30" or its "agents" are analogized as the "*subscription service,*" neither "*aggregate[] information associated with malicious network traffic.*" To the contrary, they receive a signature, generate a pattern, and (ultimately) generate a rule based on those patterns. Claims 10, 17, 23 are allowable for similar reasons.

As yet another example of how the dependent claims define over the cited references, claim 4 has been amended to recite "*wherein the one or more network addresses were associated, by a*

subscription service, with malicious network traffic." The Action seems to assert that Bhatnagar teaches "*malicious traffic information*" through its patterns; that is, "malicious code definitions." (*Id.,* para. 0007). But Bhatnagar's patterns are not "*malicious traffic information*" comprising "*one or more network addresses*" that "*were associated, by a subscription service, with malicious network traffic.*" Claims 11, 17, 24 are allowable for similar reasons.

CONCLUSION

All issues having been addressed, Applicant respectfully submits that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicits prompt notification of the same. However, if for any reason the Examiner believes the application is not in condition for allowance or there are any questions, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (202) 824-3158.

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1)☑ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12/27/2019.

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3)☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.

4)☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims*

5) ☑ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are pending in the application.

5a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

7) ☑ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are rejected.

8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

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10)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

11)☑ The drawing(s) filed on 12/27/2019 is/are: a)☑ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This first non-final action is in response to applicants' original filing on 12/27/2019. **Claims 1-27** are currently pending and have been considered as follows.

Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status

2. The present application is being examined under the **pre-AIA** first to invent provisions.

3. In the event the determination of the status of the application as subject to AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 (or as subject to pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103) is incorrect, any correction of the statutory basis for the rejection will not be considered a new ground of rejection if the prior art relied upon, and the rationale supporting the rejection, would be the same under either status.

Drawings

4. The drawings filed on 12/27/2019 are accepted.

Information Disclosure Statement

5. The information disclosure statements (IDS) submitted on 03/25/2020 and 04/07/2020 have been placed in the application file, and the information referred therein has been considered as to the merits.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

6. The following is a quotation of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

> (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

7. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

8. **Claims 1-3, 5, 7-10, 12, 14-16, 18, 20-23, 25, and 27** are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being as being unpatentable over Jalava et al. (US 20030118038 A1, hereinafter **Jalava**) in view of Bhatnagar et al. (US 20060123481 A1, hereinafter **Bhatnagar**).

As to Claim 1:

Jalava discloses a method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava "A personalized firewall or other network gateway is provided by a method of matching a data packet to a rule in a network gateway having a rule base. One or more identification values are determined (302) on the basis of the data packet and property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values are queried (304) and received from a property server. The property value(s) describe for example allowed connections and services for an entity associated with the identification value(s). The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said**

property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]), of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava "As already described above, the firewall 23 and 31 are gateways which operate at the same time as a connector and a separator between the networks in a sense that the firewalls keep track of the traffic that passes through them from one network to another and restrict connections and packets that are defined as unwanted by the administrators of the systems" [0049]; Fig. 2A; [0044])**, the method comprising:

- receiving, by the packet security gateway and from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava management server 25 is remotely connected to the firewall over the public network and sends firewall rules to the firewall for execution [0044]; Fig. 2A)**, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary **(e.g. Jalava rules for firewall [0041]; [0044]; [0045]; [0049]; [0050])**, wherein:
- each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function **(e.g. Jalava "it is detected, if a data packet, which has been received, is compared to a rule containing property values (that is, requiring the use of property values for match process)… One or more identification values are determined on the basis of the data packet (step**

302) and property value(s) associated with the identification value(s) are queried and received (step 304). In practice, the property values are stored in the firewall for future use after receiving them. If the property values are already stored, they do not need to be queried again. Then the property value(s) are compared to a rule, which includes property value(s) and an action, in step 306. If the property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the action defined in the rule is taken (steps 308 and 310). If the property value(s) of the rule do not match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the next rule of the rule base is processed in step 312" [0050]), and

- one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server **(e.g. Jalava "firewall configuration (the rules), which may include also VPN configuration, is defined in the management system" [0044])**;
- performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; [0017]; [0049])** specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets **(e.g. "The property value(s) are compared (306)**

to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049]);

- receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules **(e.g. Jalava "the network gateway requests to be notified, if the property value(s) stored in the network gateway in step 504 are updated in the property server. At this point such a request needs to be stored in the property server with reference to the corresponding property value--identification value combination (not shown in the Figure). In step 602, a notification comprising updated property value(s) and associated identification value(s) are received. The old property value(s) in the network gateway are then replaced with the corresponding updated property value(s) in step 604" [0065]; [0066]; [0069])**; and
- performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the

second portion of packets **(e.g. Jalava "When the firewall has compared a data packet to N first rules and none of them has matched the data packet, it is required to find out the property values associated with the source of the data packet. The firewall queries the property values from the property server by the source IP address 10.1.1.7 and receives the sequence of 101100 mentioned above" [0057]; [0050]; [0017]; [0049])**;

But **Jalava** does not specifically disclose:

- packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service.

However, the analogous art **Bhatnagar** does disclose packet filtering rules created *or* altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service **(e.g. Bhatnagar create updated filter rules by filter generation service based on translating malicious traffic patterns received from the security service [0022]; [0024])**. **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in network packet filtering.

- (e.g. see **Bhatnagar**, "In the example shown in FIG. 1, a security service 30 provides updates 32 as new threats are identified on the network… When a new threat is identified, the security service 30 will obtain a signature of the threat from the agents (not shown) and generate a pattern that may be used by the network elements 12, 14, to identify the threat. Pattern generation of this sort is currently done by security services, for example, in connection with providing

updates to security software 24, and the invention is not limited to a particular manner of generating these types of updates" **[0022]**; see also "the patterns generated by the security service may be sent to a network management station 34. The network management station may then pass the patterns to a filter generation service 36 configured to create filter rules specific to the different types of network elements on the network 10. The filter generation service 36, in this alternate embodiment, is configured to translate the pattern received from the security service 30 via update 32 into filter rules 38 that are transmitted to the network elements and used by the network elements 12, 14 to filter traffic on the network. In either embodiment, the filter rules will be installed into the forwarding planes of the network elements configured to act as detection points 28, so that traffic matching the patterns will be removed from the network. By continually updating the detection points 28 in real time as threats are discovered, it is possible to immunize the network against outbreaks of malicious code to reduce the chance that malicious code will reach the customer equipment" **[0024]**; "When a pattern match is found, the traffic may be discarded or, alternatively, additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified" **[0028]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** before him or her, to modify the system and method of **Jalava** with the teachings of **Bhatnagar** to include *packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious*

traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns sent from a security service **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to stop malicious code that spans multiple packets at the network level so that new security threats may be neutralized quickly once discovered **(Bhatnagar [0026]; [0027])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 2:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 1, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information **(e.g. Jalava "a characterizing value may be for example a header field value, a payload field value, an IP address (source or destination), port number (source or destination)" [0019]; [0020]; [0052]; [0057]; [0058])**.

As to Claim 3:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 1, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Bhatnagar security service provides updates to subscribers, such companies as Symantec and MacAfee have security**

agents in millions of machines that detect viruses and other malicious code and generate threat patterns [0022]; [0018]; [0019]). The Examiner supplies the same rationale for the combination of references **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** as in Claim 1 above.

As to Claim 5:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 1, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003])**.

As to Claim 7:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 1, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function **(e.g. Bhatnagar "additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified, so that the edge network element connected to the source may cause the port over which the source connects to the network to be shut down" [0028])** other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets. The Examiner supplies the same rationale for the combination of references **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** as in Claim 1 above.

As to Claim 8:

Jalava discloses a packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava "A personalized firewall or other network gateway is provided by a method of matching a data packet to a rule in a network gateway having a rule base. One or more identification values**

are determined (302) on the basis of the data packet and property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values are queried (304) and received from a property server. The property value(s) describe for example allowed connections and services for an entity associated with the identification value(s). The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]), of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava "As already described above, the firewall 23 and 31 are gateways which operate at the same time as a connector and a separator between the networks in a sense that the firewalls keep track of the traffic that passes through them from one network to another and restrict connections and packets that are defined as unwanted by the administrators of the systems" [0049]; Fig. 2A; [0044])**, comprising:

- one or more processors **(e.g. Jalava machine/computer [0002])**; and
- memory storing instructions **(e.g. Jalava memory [Claim 19]; computer-readable medium containing computer software [Claim 21])** that, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the packet security gateway to:
- receive, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava management server 25**

is remotely connected to the firewall over the public network and sends firewall rules to the firewall for execution [0044]; Fig. 2A), a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary **(e.g. Jalava rules for firewall [0041]; [0044]; [0045]; [0049]; [0050])**, wherein:

- each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function **(e.g. Jalava "it is detected, if a data packet, which has been received, is compared to a rule containing property values (that is, requiring the use of property values for match process)… One or more identification values are determined on the basis of the data packet (step 302) and property value(s) associated with the identification value(s) are queried and received (step 304). In practice, the property values are stored in the firewall for future use after receiving them. If the property values are already stored, they do not need to be queried again. Then the property value(s) are compared to a rule, which includes property value(s) and an action, in step 306. If the property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the action defined in the rule is taken (steps 308 and 310). If the property value(s) of the rule do not match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the next rule of the rule base is processed in step 312" [0050])**, and

- one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server **(e.g. Jalava "firewall configuration (the rules), which may include also VPN configuration, is defined in the management system" [0044])**;
- perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; [0017]; [0049])** specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets **(e.g. "The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049])**;
- receive, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules **(e.g. Jalava "the network gateway requests to be notified, if the property value(s) stored in the network gateway in step 504 are updated in**

the property server. At this point such a request needs to be stored in the property server with reference to the corresponding property value--identification value combination (not shown in the Figure). In step 602, a notification comprising updated property value(s) and associated identification value(s) are received. The old property value(s) in the network gateway are then replaced with the corresponding updated property value(s) in step 604" [0065]; [0066]; [0069]); and

- perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets **(e.g. Jalava "When the firewall has compared a data packet to N first rules and none of them has matched the data packet, it is required to find out the property values associated with the source of the data packet. The firewall queries the property values from the property server by the source IP address 10.1.1.7 and receives the sequence of 101100 mentioned above" [0057]; [0050]; [0017]; [0049])**;

But **Jalava** does not specifically disclose:

- packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service.

However, the analogous art **Bhatnagar** does disclose packet filtering rules created *or* altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service **(e.g. Bhatnagar create updated filter rules by filter generation service based on translating malicious traffic patterns received from the security service [0022]; [0024])**. **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in network packet filtering.

- (e.g. see **Bhatnagar**, "In the example shown in FIG. 1, a security service 30 provides updates 32 as new threats are identified on the network… When a new threat is identified, the security service 30 will obtain a signature of the threat from the agents (not shown) and generate a pattern that may be used by the network elements 12, 14, to identify the threat. Pattern generation of this sort is currently done by security services, for example, in connection with providing updates to security software 24, and the invention is not limited to a particular manner of generating these types of updates" **[0022]**; see also "the patterns generated by the security service may be sent to a network management station 34. The network management station may then pass the patterns to a filter generation service 36 configured to create filter rules specific to the different types of network elements on the network 10. The filter generation service 36, in this alternate embodiment, is configured to translate the pattern received from the security service 30 via update 32 into filter rules 38 that are transmitted to the network elements and used by the network elements 12, 14 to filter traffic on the network. In either embodiment, the filter rules will be installed into the forwarding

planes of the network elements configured to act as detection points 28, so that traffic matching the patterns will be removed from the network. By continually updating the detection points 28 in real time as threats are discovered, it is possible to immunize the network against outbreaks of malicious code to reduce the chance that malicious code will reach the customer equipment" **[0024]**; "When a pattern match is found, the traffic may be discarded or, alternatively, additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified" **[0028]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** before him or her, to modify the system and method of **Jalava** with the teachings of **Bhatnagar** to include *packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns sent from a security service **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to stop malicious code that spans multiple packets at the network level so that new security threats may be neutralized quickly once discovered **(Bhatnagar [0026]; [0027])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 9:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information **(e.g. Jalava "a characterizing value may be for example a header field value, a payload field value, an IP address (source or destination), port number (source or destination)" [0019]; [0020]; [0052]; [0057]; [0058])**.

As to Claim 10:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Bhatnagar security service provides updates to subscribers, such companies as Symantec and MacAfee have security agents in millions of machines that detect viruses and other malicious code and generate threat patterns [0022]; [0018]; [0019])**. The Examiner supplies the same rationale for the combination of references **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** as in Claim 8 above.

As to Claim 12:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003])**.

As to Claim 14:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function **(e.g. Bhatnagar "additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified, so that the edge network element connected to the source may cause the port over which the source connects to the network to be shut down" [0028])** other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets. The Examiner supplies the same rationale for the combination of references **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** as in Claim 8 above.

As to Claim 15:

Jalava discloses one or more non-transitory computer readable media storing instructions **(e.g. Jalava memory [Claim 19]; computer-readable medium containing computer software [Claim 21])** that, when executed by at least one processor, cause a packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava "A personalized firewall or other network gateway is provided by a method of matching a data packet to a rule in a network gateway having a rule base. One or more identification values are determined (302) on the basis of the data packet and property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values are queried (304) and received from a property server. The property value(s) describe for example allowed connections and services for an entity associated with the identification value(s). The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the**

action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]), of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava "As already described above, the firewall 23 and 31 are gateways which operate at the same time as a connector and a separator between the networks in a sense that the firewalls keep track of the traffic that passes through them from one network to another and restrict connections and packets that are defined as unwanted by the administrators of the systems" [0049]; Fig. 2A; [0044])**, to perform steps comprising:

- receiving, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava management server 25 is remotely connected to the firewall over the public network and sends firewall rules to the firewall for execution [0044]; Fig. 2A)**, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary **(e.g. Jalava rules for firewall [0041]; [0044]; [0045]; [0049]; [0050])**, wherein:
- each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function **(e.g. Jalava "it is detected, if a data packet, which has been received, is compared to a rule containing property values (that is, requiring the use of property values for match process)… One or more**

identification values are determined on the basis of the data packet (step 302) and property value(s) associated with the identification value(s) are queried and received (step 304). In practice, the property values are stored in the firewall for future use after receiving them. If the property values are already stored, they do not need to be queried again. Then the property value(s) are compared to a rule, which includes property value(s) and an action, in step 306. If the property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the action defined in the rule is taken (steps 308 and 310). If the property value(s) of the rule do not match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the next rule of the rule base is processed in step 312" [0050]), and

- one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server **(e.g. Jalava "firewall configuration (the rules), which may include also VPN configuration, is defined in the management system" [0044])**;
- performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; [0017]; [0049])** specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules

on the first portion of packets **(e.g. "The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049])**;

- receiving, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules **(e.g. Jalava "the network gateway requests to be notified, if the property value(s) stored in the network gateway in step 504 are updated in the property server. At this point such a request needs to be stored in the property server with reference to the corresponding property value--identification value combination (not shown in the Figure). In step 602, a notification comprising updated property value(s) and associated identification value(s) are received. The old property value(s) in the network gateway are then replaced with the corresponding updated property value(s) in step 604" [0065]; [0066]; [0069])**; and
- performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at

least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets **(e.g. Jalava "When the firewall has compared a data packet to N first rules and none of them has matched the data packet, it is required to find out the property values associated with the source of the data packet. The firewall queries the property values from the property server by the source IP address 10.1.1.7 and receives the sequence of 101100 mentioned above" [0057]; [0050])**;

But **Jalava** does not specifically disclose:

- packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service.

However, the analogous art **Bhatnagar** does disclose packet filtering rules created *or* altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service **(e.g. Bhatnagar create updated filter rules by filter generation service based on translating malicious traffic patterns received from the security service [0022]; [0024])**. **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in network packet filtering.

- (e.g. see **Bhatnagar**, "In the example shown in FIG. 1, a security service 30 provides updates 32 as new threats are identified on the network… When a new threat is identified, the security service 30 will obtain a signature of the threat from the agents (not shown) and generate a pattern that may be used by the network elements 12, 14, to identify the threat. Pattern generation of this sort is

currently done by security services, for example, in connection with providing updates to security software 24, and the invention is not limited to a particular manner of generating these types of updates" **[0022]**; see also "the patterns generated by the security service may be sent to a network management station 34. The network management station may then pass the patterns to a filter generation service 36 configured to create filter rules specific to the different types of network elements on the network 10. The filter generation service 36, in this alternate embodiment, is configured to translate the pattern received from the security service 30 via update 32 into filter rules 38 that are transmitted to the network elements and used by the network elements 12, 14 to filter traffic on the network. In either embodiment, the filter rules will be installed into the forwarding planes of the network elements configured to act as detection points 28, so that traffic matching the patterns will be removed from the network. By continually updating the detection points 28 in real time as threats are discovered, it is possible to immunize the network against outbreaks of malicious code to reduce the chance that malicious code will reach the customer equipment" **[0024]**; "When a pattern match is found, the traffic may be discarded or, alternatively, additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified" **[0028]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** before him or her, to modify the system and method of **Jalava** with the teachings of **Bhatnagar** to include *packet*

filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns sent from a security service **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to stop malicious code that spans multiple packets at the network level so that new security threats may be neutralized quickly once discovered **(Bhatnagar [0026]; [0027])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 16:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information **(e.g. Jalava "a characterizing value may be for example a header field value, a payload field value, an IP address (source or destination), port number (source or destination)" [0019]; [0020]; [0052]; [0057]; [0058])**.

As to Claim 18:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the computer readable media of claim 15, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective

action **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003])**.

As to Claim 20:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the computer readable media of claim 15, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function **(e.g. Bhatnagar "additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified, so that the edge network element connected to the source may cause the port over which the source connects to the network to be shut down" [0028])** other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets. The Examiner supplies the same rationale for the combination of references **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** as in Claim 15 above.

As to Claim 21:

Jalava discloses a method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway configured for protection of a network **(e.g. Jalava "A personalized firewall or other network gateway is provided by a method of matching a data packet to a rule in a network gateway having a rule base. One or more identification values are determined (302) on the basis of the data packet and property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values are queried (304) and received from a property server. The property value(s) describe for example allowed connections and**

services for an entity associated with the identification value(s). The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]) and associated with a security policy management server external from the network **(e.g. Jalava management server 25 is remotely connected to the firewall over the public network and sends firewall rules to the firewall for execution [0044]; Fig. 2A)**, the method comprising:

- receiving, by the packet security gateway **(e.g. Jalava management server sends firewall rules to the firewall for execution [0044]; Fig. 2A)**, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules from the security policy management server **(e.g. Jalava rules for firewall [0041]; [0044]; [0045]; [0049]; [0050])**, wherein each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function **(e.g. Jalava "it is detected, if a data packet, which has been received, is compared to a rule containing property values (that is, requiring the use of property values for match process)… One or more identification values are determined on the basis of the data packet (step 302) and property value(s) associated with the identification value(s) are queried and received (step 304). In practice, the property values are stored in the firewall for future use after receiving them. If the property values are already stored, they do not need to be**

queried again. Then the property value(s) are compared to a rule, which includes property value(s) and an action, in step 306. If the property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the action defined in the rule is taken (steps 308 and 310). If the property value(s) of the rule do not match corresponding property value(s) associated with the identification value(s), the next rule of the rule base is processed in step 312" [0050]), and wherein one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server **(e.g. Jalava "firewall configuration (the rules), which may include also VPN configuration, is defined in the management system" [0044])**;

- performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one of multiple packet transformation functions **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; [0017]; [0049])** specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets **(e.g. "The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match**

corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049]);

- receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules **(e.g. Jalava "the network gateway requests to be notified, if the property value(s) stored in the network gateway in step 504 are updated in the property server. At this point such a request needs to be stored in the property server with reference to the corresponding property value--identification value combination (not shown in the Figure). In step 602, a notification comprising updated property value(s) and associated identification value(s) are received. The old property value(s) in the network gateway are then replaced with the corresponding updated property value(s) in step 604" [0065]; [0066]; [0069])**; and
- performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules **(e.g. Jalava "When the firewall has compared a data packet to N first rules and none of them has matched the data packet, it is required to find out the property values associated with the source of the data packet. The firewall queries the property values from the property server by the source IP address**

10.1.1.7 and receives the sequence of 101100 mentioned above" [0057]; [0050]);

But **Jalava** does not specifically disclose:

- packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service.

However, the analogous art **Bhatnagar** does disclose packet filtering rules created *or* altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service **(e.g. Bhatnagar create updated filter rules by filter generation service based on translating malicious traffic patterns received from the security service [0022]; [0024])**. **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in network packet filtering.

- (e.g. see **Bhatnagar**, "In the example shown in FIG. 1, a security service 30 provides updates 32 as new threats are identified on the network… When a new threat is identified, the security service 30 will obtain a signature of the threat from the agents (not shown) and generate a pattern that may be used by the network elements 12, 14, to identify the threat. Pattern generation of this sort is currently done by security services, for example, in connection with providing updates to security software 24, and the invention is not limited to a particular manner of generating these types of updates" **[0022]**; see also "the patterns generated by the security service may be sent to a network management station 34. The network management station may then pass the patterns to a filter

> generation service 36 configured to create filter rules specific to the different types of network elements on the network 10. The filter generation service 36, in this alternate embodiment, is configured to translate the pattern received from the security service 30 via update 32 into filter rules 38 that are transmitted to the network elements and used by the network elements 12, 14 to filter traffic on the network. In either embodiment, the filter rules will be installed into the forwarding planes of the network elements configured to act as detection points 28, so that traffic matching the patterns will be removed from the network. By continually updating the detection points 28 in real time as threats are discovered, it is possible to immunize the network against outbreaks of malicious code to reduce the chance that malicious code will reach the customer equipment" **[0024]**; "When a pattern match is found, the traffic may be discarded or, alternatively, additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified" **[0028]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** before him or her, to modify the system and method of **Jalava** with the teachings of **Bhatnagar** to include *packet filtering rules created or altered by [a] management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns

sent from a security service **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to stop malicious code that spans multiple packets at the network level so that new security threats may be neutralized quickly once discovered **(Bhatnagar [0026]; [0027])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 22:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 21, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information **(e.g. Jalava "a characterizing value may be for example a header field value, a payload field value, an IP address (source or destination), port number (source or destination)" [0019]; [0020]; [0052]; [0057]; [0058])**.

As to Claim 23:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 21, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Bhatnagar security service provides updates to subscribers, such companies as Symantec and MacAfee have security agents in millions of machines that detect viruses and other malicious code and generate threat patterns [0022]; [0018]; [0019])**. The Examiner supplies the same rationale for the combination of references **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** as in Claim 21 above.

As to Claim 25:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 21, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003])**.

As to Claim 27:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 21, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function **(e.g. Bhatnagar "additional remedial action may be taken such as to trace the traffic backwards through the network toward the source. Tracing the traffic backwards through the network may enable the source of the traffic to be identified, so that the edge network element connected to the source may cause the port over which the source connects to the network to be shut down" [0028])** other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets. The Examiner supplies the same rationale for the combination of references **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** as in Claim 21 above.

9. **Claims 4, 11, 17, and 24** are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Jalava** in view of **Bhatnagar** as applied to Claims 1, 8, 15, and 21 above, and further in view of Van Der Merwe et al. (US 20100082811 A1, IDS submitted 03/25/2020, hereinafter **Van Der Merwe**).

As to Claim 4:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 1, but does not specifically disclose:

- wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

However, the analogous art **Van Der Merwe** does disclose wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Van Der Merwe blacklist generated from received malicious network sources [0042]; [0043]; addresses of sources of unwanted data traffic [0003]; [0005]; unwanted traffic sources [0006]; malicious traffic source [0043]; [0028]; raw blacklists acquired from reputation systems [0030])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Van Der Merwe**, "Blacklists may be derived, for example, from e-mail spam logs, firewall logs, databases from anti-spyware software, and databases from anti-virus software. Blacklists may also contain user-specified entries" **[0022]**; see also "Herein, a customer refers to an end-user of network services. A customer, for example, may operate user system US1 150. A user system operated by a customer is also referred to as a customer user system" **[0028]**; see also "In FIG. 2(a), a set of raw blacklists 202 is acquired from reputation systems RS1 130-RS3 134 as input to traffic filter system TFS 140. Additional raw blacklists may also be inputted by the network administrator. A raw blacklist refers to a blacklist which has not been processed by traffic filter system 140. In step 204, TFS 140 consolidates the multiple raw blacklists into a single list of unwanted traffic sources, referred to herein as a consolidated raw blacklist" **[0030]**; see also "FIG. 2(c) shows a flowchart of steps for generating a customer

> blacklist for a specific customer. Network blacklist 216 and a customer whitelist 234 (for a specific customer) are acquired as input into TFS 140… In general, since customer whitelist 234 may be different for different specific customers, customer blacklist 248 may be different for different specific customers. A customer blacklist is associated with a customer system" **[0042]**; see also "For example, network blacklist 216 may be updated in response to a network attack by a malicious traffic source" **[0043]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** before him or her, to modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Van Der Merwe** to include *wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])** that comprise generated blacklists of malicious traffic sources for network service customers **(Van Der Merwe [0022]; [0028]; [0030]; [0042]; [0043])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to provide a customer specific blacklist that is different for specific customers **(Van Der Merwe [0004]; [0042])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 11:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the packet security gateway of claim 8, but does not specifically disclose:

- wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

However, the analogous art **Van Der Merwe** does disclose wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Van Der Merwe blacklist generated from received malicious network sources [0042]; [0043]; addresses of sources of unwanted data traffic [0003]; [0005]; unwanted traffic sources [0006]; malicious traffic source [0043]; [0028]; raw blacklists acquired from reputation systems [0030])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Van Der Merwe**, "Blacklists may be derived, for example, from e-mail spam logs, firewall logs, databases from anti-spyware software, and databases from anti-virus software. Blacklists may also contain user-specified entries" **[0022]**; see also "Herein, a customer refers to an end-user of network services. A customer, for example, may operate user system US1 150. A user system operated by a customer is also referred to as a customer user system" **[0028]**; see also "In FIG. 2(a), a set of raw blacklists 202 is acquired from reputation systems RS1 130-RS3 134 as input to traffic filter system TFS 140. Additional raw blacklists may also be inputted by the network administrator. A raw blacklist refers to a blacklist which has not been processed by traffic filter system 140. In

> step 204, TFS 140 consolidates the multiple raw blacklists into a single list of unwanted traffic sources, referred to herein as a consolidated raw blacklist" **[0030]**; see also "FIG. 2(c) shows a flowchart of steps for generating a customer blacklist for a specific customer. Network blacklist 216 and a customer whitelist 234 (for a specific customer) are acquired as input into TFS 140… In general, since customer whitelist 234 may be different for different specific customers, customer blacklist 248 may be different for different specific customers. A customer blacklist is associated with a customer system" **[0042]**; see also "For example, network blacklist 216 may be updated in response to a network attack by a malicious traffic source" **[0043]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** before him or her, to modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Van Der Merwe** to include *wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])** that comprise generated blacklists of malicious traffic sources for network service customers **(Van Der Merwe [0022]; [0028]; [0030]; [0042]; [0043])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to provide a customer specific blacklist that is different for specific customers **(Van Der Merwe**

[0004]; [0042]). Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 17:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Bhatnagar security service provides updates to subscribers, such companies as Symantec and MacAfee have security agents in millions of machines that detect viruses and other malicious code and generate threat patterns [0022]; [0018]; [0019])**, but does not specifically disclose:

- wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

However, the analogous art **Van Der Merwe** does disclose wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Van Der Merwe blacklist generated from received malicious network sources [0042]; [0043]; addresses of sources of unwanted data traffic [0003]; [0005]; unwanted traffic sources [0006]; malicious traffic source [0043]; [0028]; raw blacklists acquired from reputation systems [0030])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Van Der Merwe**, "Blacklists may be derived, for example, from e-mail spam logs, firewall logs, databases from anti-spyware software, and databases from anti-virus software. Blacklists may also contain user-specified entries"

[0022]; see also "Herein, a customer refers to an end-user of network services. A customer, for example, may operate user system US1 150. A user system operated by a customer is also referred to as a customer user system" **[0028]**; see also "In FIG. 2(a), a set of raw blacklists 202 is acquired from reputation systems RS1 130-RS3 134 as input to traffic filter system TFS 140. Additional raw blacklists may also be inputted by the network administrator. A raw blacklist refers to a blacklist which has not been processed by traffic filter system 140. In step 204, TFS 140 consolidates the multiple raw blacklists into a single list of unwanted traffic sources, referred to herein as a consolidated raw blacklist" **[0030]**; see also "FIG. 2(c) shows a flowchart of steps for generating a customer blacklist for a specific customer. Network blacklist 216 and a customer whitelist 234 (for a specific customer) are acquired as input into TFS 140… In general, since customer whitelist 234 may be different for different specific customers, customer blacklist 248 may be different for different specific customers. A customer blacklist is associated with a customer system" **[0042]**; see also "For example, network blacklist 216 may be updated in response to a network attack by a malicious traffic source" **[0043]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** before him or her, to modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Van Der Merwe** to include *wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to

firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])** that comprise generated blacklists of malicious traffic sources for network service customers **(Van Der Merwe [0022]; [0028]; [0030]; [0042]; [0043])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to provide a customer specific blacklist that is different for specific customers **(Van Der Merwe [0004]; [0042])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 24:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 21, but does not specifically disclose:

- wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

However, the analogous art **Van Der Merwe** does disclose wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic **(e.g. Van Der Merwe blacklist generated from received malicious network sources [0042]; [0043]; addresses of sources of unwanted data traffic [0003]; [0005]; unwanted traffic sources [0006]; malicious traffic source [0043]; [0028]; raw blacklists acquired from reputation systems [0030])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Van Der Merwe**, "Blacklists may be derived, for example, from e-mail spam logs, firewall logs, databases from anti-spyware software, and databases

from anti-virus software. Blacklists may also contain user-specified entries" **[0022]**; see also "Herein, a customer refers to an end-user of network services. A customer, for example, may operate user system US1 150. A user system operated by a customer is also referred to as a customer user system" **[0028]**; see also "In FIG. 2(a), a set of raw blacklists 202 is acquired from reputation systems RS1 130-RS3 134 as input to traffic filter system TFS 140. Additional raw blacklists may also be inputted by the network administrator. A raw blacklist refers to a blacklist which has not been processed by traffic filter system 140. In step 204, TFS 140 consolidates the multiple raw blacklists into a single list of unwanted traffic sources, referred to herein as a consolidated raw blacklist" **[0030]**; see also "FIG. 2(c) shows a flowchart of steps for generating a customer blacklist for a specific customer. Network blacklist 216 and a customer whitelist 234 (for a specific customer) are acquired as input into TFS 140... In general, since customer whitelist 234 may be different for different specific customers, customer blacklist 248 may be different for different specific customers. A customer blacklist is associated with a customer system" **[0042]**; see also "For example, network blacklist 216 may be updated in response to a network attack by a malicious traffic source" **[0043]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** before him or her, to modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Van Der Merwe** to include *wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic* as claimed because

Jalava's system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks to provide packet filtering rules and updates **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** which could be based on received malicious traffic patterns **(Bhatnagar [0022]; [0024]; [0028])** that comprise generated blacklists of malicious traffic sources for network service customers **(Van Der Merwe [0022]; [0028]; [0030]; [0042]; [0043])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to provide a customer specific blacklist that is different for specific customers **(Van Der Merwe [0004]; [0042])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Van Der Merwe** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

10. **Claims 6, 13, 19, and 26** are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Jalava** in view of **Bhatnagar** as applied to Claims 1, 8, 15, and 21 above, and further in view of Jungck et al. (US 20090262741 A1, IDS submitted 03/25/2020, hereinafter **Jungck**).

As to Claim 6:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 1, further comprising: performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; "The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s)**

associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049]), but does not specifically disclose:

- receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer.

However, the analogous art **Jungck** does disclose receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer **(e.g. Jungck the edge server "effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic" [0098]; [0108]; [0159]-[0165]; devices may be selectively transparent to the network [0126]-[0128]; [0153])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Jungck**, "A major distinction between the edge server 502 and a proxy server is that there is no one address of the edge server 502. The edge server 502 effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic. Therefore, clients 102, 104 do not need to know of the existence of the edge server 502 and can operate as they normally do, making content requests of servers 108" **[0098]**; see also "the edge server 602 is further capable of intercepting data traffic at the packet level based on the source or destination IP address contained within the packets flowing past the edge server 602. In this way, the edge server 602 is able to provide complete isolation of its subscribing servers 108, 110" **[0108]**; **[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** before him or her, to

modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Jungck** to include *receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks which provide packet filtering on all traffic that passes through one network to another **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** where packets could be intercepted transparently by an edge routing device with no network address **(Jungck [0098]; [0108]; [0126]-[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to allow for early and reliable packet interception and further ensures some measure of reliability in determining the origination of a particular packet **(Jungck [0121])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 13:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the instructions further cause the packet security gateway to: perform the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; "The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match**

corresponding property value(s) associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049]), but does not specifically disclose:

- receive packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer.

However, the analogous art **Jungck** does disclose receive packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer **(e.g. Jungck the edge server "effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic" [0098]; [0108]; [0159]-[0165]; devices may be selectively transparent to the network [0126]-[0128]; [0153])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Jungck**, "A major distinction between the edge server 502 and a proxy server is that there is no one address of the edge server 502. The edge server 502 effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic. Therefore, clients 102, 104 do not need to know of the existence of the edge server 502 and can operate as they normally do, making content requests of servers 108" **[0098]**; see also "the edge server 602 is further capable of intercepting data traffic at the packet level based on the source or destination IP address contained within the packets flowing past the edge server 602. In this way, the edge server 602 is able to provide complete isolation of its subscribing servers 108, 110" **[0108]**; **[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** before him or her, to

modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Jungck** to include *receive packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks which provide packet filtering on all traffic that passes through one network to another **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** where packets could be intercepted transparently by an edge routing device with no network address **(Jungck [0098]; [0108]; [0126]-[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to allow for early and reliable packet interception and further ensures some measure of reliability in determining the origination of a particular packet **(Jungck [0121])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 19:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the computer readable media of claim 15, further comprising: performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; "The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s)**

associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049]), but does not specifically disclose:

- receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer.

However, the analogous art **Jungck** does disclose receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer **(e.g. Jungck the edge server "effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic" [0098]; [0108]; [0159]-[0165]; devices may be selectively transparent to the network [0126]-[0128]; [0153])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Jungck**, "A major distinction between the edge server 502 and a proxy server is that there is no one address of the edge server 502. The edge server 502 effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic. Therefore, clients 102, 104 do not need to know of the existence of the edge server 502 and can operate as they normally do, making content requests of servers 108" **[0098]**; see also "the edge server 602 is further capable of intercepting data traffic at the packet level based on the source or destination IP address contained within the packets flowing past the edge server 602. In this way, the edge server 602 is able to provide complete isolation of its subscribing servers 108, 110" **[0108]**; **[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165]**).

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modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Jungck** to include *receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks which provide packet filtering on all traffic that passes through one network to another **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** where packets could be intercepted transparently by an edge routing device with no network address **(Jungck [0098]; [0108]; [0126]-[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to allow for early and reliable packet interception and further ensures some measure of reliability in determining the origination of a particular packet **(Jungck [0121])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

As to Claim 26:

Jalava in view of **Bhatnagar** discloses the method of claim 21, further comprising: performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer **(e.g. Jalava "In a firewall, the action is typically deny or allow, which means the data packet is discarded or allowed to proceed, correspondingly" [0003]; [0004]; "The property value(s) are compared (306) to at least one rule in the rule base, said at least one rule comprising property value(s) and an action, and the action defined in said at least one rule is taken (310), if said property value(s) of the rule match corresponding property value(s)**

associated with said one or more identification values" [Abstract]; [0017]; [0049]), but does not specifically disclose:

- receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer.

However, the analogous art **Jungck** does disclose receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer **(e.g. Jungck the edge server "effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic" [0098]; [0108]; [0159]-[0165]; devices may be selectively transparent to the network [0126]-[0128]; [0153])**. **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** are analogous art because they are from the same field of endeavor in coordinated processing of network packets.

- (e.g. see **Jungck**, "A major distinction between the edge server 502 and a proxy server is that there is no one address of the edge server 502. The edge server 502 effectively needs no address because it intercepts the necessary network traffic. Therefore, clients 102, 104 do not need to know of the existence of the edge server 502 and can operate as they normally do, making content requests of servers 108" **[0098]**; see also "the edge server 602 is further capable of intercepting data traffic at the packet level based on the source or destination IP address contained within the packets flowing past the edge server 602. In this way, the edge server 602 is able to provide complete isolation of its subscribing servers 108, 110" **[0108]**; **[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165]**).

At the time of applicants' invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** before him or her, to

modify the combination of **Jalava** and **Bhatnagar** with the teachings of **Jungck** to include *receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer* as claimed because **Jalava**'s system and method provides a management server that remotely connects to firewalls/gateways at protected networks which provide packet filtering on all traffic that passes through one network to another **(Jalava [Abstract]-[0069])** where packets could be intercepted transparently by an edge routing device with no network address **(Jungck [0098]; [0108]; [0126]-[0128]; [0153]; [0159]-[0165])**. The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to allow for early and reliable packet interception and further ensures some measure of reliability in determining the origination of a particular packet **(Jungck [0121])**. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine **Jalava**, **Bhatnagar**, and **Jungck** to obtain the invention as specified in the instant claim(s).

Conclusion

11. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicants' disclosure.

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S215	0	(updat$9 with policy with rule with signat9 with (encapsulat$9 or replac$9 or insert$9))same gateway	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 18:32
S214	35632	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S213	3229	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S212	3395	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S211	1064	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52

S210	1813	H04L63/0209.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:52
S209	15017	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:51
S208	162	(moore adj3 sean).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:50
S207	569	(rogers adj3 steven).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:50
S206	23	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/20 13:50
S205	3	(10091246 | 9560077 | 9137205).pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2019/05/16 14:18
S204	1	"9894051".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2018/05/10 16:43

S203	67	H04L67/02.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
S202	193	H04L63/0263.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
S201	82	H04L63/0236.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
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S199	28	H04L63/0209.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:36
S198	148	H04L63/20.CPC. and (rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:35
S197	1414	(rule) with (set or group or subset or subgroup) with address$5 same network$9 same (traffic or packet$9) and (filter$9 or firewall or router or rout$9 or intrusion or ids)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:35

S196	42	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/27 13:35
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S186	893	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11
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S183	16	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2017/10/26 20:11
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S169	189	H04L63/0236.CPC. AND rule and (drop$5 or discard$5) with (packet or flow or flood or frame) same (switch or router or hub) and (lan or local area network) AND (zone or edge or boundary)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:48
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S164	22610	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:47
S163	1249	H04L63/0209.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/09/22 15:47
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S158	254	(encapsul$9) with (packet) with (header or heading) with (address) with (destination) with (different or new or alternate)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	OR	ON	2016/01/06 11:55
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S151	2204	(vlan or virtual$5 lan) same (rout$9) same (destination) same (address)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2016/01/05 14:07
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S141	12	H04L67/02.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:52
S140	6	H04L63/0236.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:52
S139	4	H04L63/0218.CPC. and (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S138	12	H04L63/02.CPC. AND (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51

S137	29	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S136	314	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan) and (rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S135	314	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading) and (vlan or virtual$5 local area network or virtual$5 lan)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:51
S134	1264	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries) and (head or header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:49
S133	1418	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border$5 or boundary or boundaries)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:48
S132	1418	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9) and network$9 same (border or boundary or boundaries)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:48

S131	3288	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip address or internet protocol address) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:48
S130	3294	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5) and (spoof$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:47
S129	19319	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service) and (drop$9 or discard$9 or dump$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:47
S128	31220	(rule or criteria or signature) same (packet or traffic) and (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) and (intrusion detect$9 or network protect$9 or ids or dos or denial of service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:47
S127	9	(centripetal networks).as.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:45
S126	110	(moore adj3 sean).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:45
S125	488	(rogers adj3 steven).in.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:45

S124	18904	H04L67/02.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S123	7270	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S122	1626	H04L63/0236.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S121	1853	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S120	720	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S119	35	H04L63/02.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44
S118	123	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/12/30 15:44

		(set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	AT; EPO			
S17	8	("20020049899" | "20060136987" | "20060146879" | "20070240208" | "20100242098" | "20130061294" | "6317837" | "8306994").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/07/30 16:25
S16	6	("20030154297" | "20060114899" | "20110185055" | "20120331543" | "20130254766" | "8004994").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/07/30 16:25
S15	3	("7478429" | "7818794" | "8935785").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/07/22 10:50
S12	34	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9) and (edge or boundary or boundaries or border$5) with network	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:38
S11	51	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9) and (edge or boundary or boundaries or border$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:38
S10	96	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:37

S109	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or encapsul$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:36
S108	12	(US-20060212572-$ or US-20030145225-$ or US-20060048142-$ or US-20010039624-$ or US-20050138204-$ or US-20100296441-$ or US-20080072307-$ or US-20050141537-$ or US-20030142681-$ or US-20100082811-$ or US-20030035370-$ or US-20110088092-$).did.	US-PGPUB	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 17:35
S107	6	("20030097590" | "20090328219" | "20120240135" | "20120314617" | "6611875" | "8806638").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 14:52
S90	96	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9 or encapsul$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:26
S88	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:22
S87	67	H04L63/0263.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing or rout$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:22
S86	67	H04L63/0263.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:11

		service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	AT; EPO			
S85	96	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:11
S84	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:11
S83	1680	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:04
S82	5918	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:04
S81	655	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/26 12:04
S80	6	("20030097590" | "20090328219" | "20120240135" | "20120314617" | "6611875" | "8806638").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:26
S79	34	(SIP or session initiat$9 protocol) with (URI or uniform resourse) with (header or heading) same (network address$9)	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:20

			AT; EPO			
S78	1202	(SIP or session initiat$9 protocol) with (URI or uniform resourse) with (header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:20
S77	1806	(SIP or session initiat$9 protocol) same (URI or uniform resourse) same (header or heading)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/03/14 21:19
S76	114	(network with transparent$5 with layer) same address$9 same (link$9) and (secure or security or attack$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 14:01
S75	171	(network with transparent$5 with layer) same address$9 same (link$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 14:00
S74	539	(network with transparent$5 with layer) same address$9	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 14:00
S73	2	("20080005795" | "20090172800").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 13:49
S72	3	("7539186" | "7710885" | "8856926").PN.	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 13:48

			AT; EPO			
S71	66	H04L63/0263.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S70	88	H04L63/20.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S69	8	H04L63/0218.CPC. AND (gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S68	1654	H04L63/0263.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S67	5709	H04L63/20.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:54
S66	647	H04L63/0218.CPC.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:53
S65	1	"20140115654".pn.	US-PGPUB; USP	ADJ	ON	2015/02/24 11:53

			AT; EPO			
S64	26	713/1,100,150,151,152,153,154,155,166,167,168.CCLS. AND S61	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S63	54	709/201,203,217,218,219,220,223,224,225,226,227,228,229,230,231,238,239,240,242,244,245.CCLS. AND S61	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S62	31	726/3,6,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,22,23,24,25.CCLS. AND S61	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S61	198	(gateway) same (policy or policies) same (packet or traffic) and (rule) same (address$10) with (source or destination or network or ip or internet protocol) same (security or secure or protect$9 or ids or intrusion or dos or denial of service) and (server or manager or managing or supervis$9) and (set or list) and (function or algorithm or filter$9 or processing) same (ipsec or ip security or internet protocol security)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S60	24976	713/1,100,150,151,152,153,154,155,166,167,168.CCLS.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26
S59	125386	709/201,203,217,218,219,220,223,224,225,226,227,228,229,230,231,238,239,240,242,244,245.CCLS.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:26

S58	26093	726/3,6,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,22,23,24,25.CCLS.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 02:24
S57	1	"20030035370".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 01:42
S56	1	"20050135375".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 01:39
S55	1	"20110088092".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:40
S54	69	(spoof$5) with (address$5) with (network or source) with (policy or policies or rule)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:28
S53	209	(spoof$5) with (address$5) with (network or source) same (policy or policies or rule)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:28
S52	1	"20100082811".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/20 00:08

S51	1	"20080279200".pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:51
S50	5	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (paid or pay)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:46
S49	5	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (provider) with (subscription or subscribing or subscriber)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:42
S48	55	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (provider) with (service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:41
S47	15	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (subscription or subscriber or subscribing) with (service)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:38
S46	222	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) same (subscription or subscriber or subscribing or customer)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:38
S45	2	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) same (subscription or subscriber or subscribing or customer)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 23:38

S44	3	(differentiat$10 service code point select$5 or dscp select$5 or Diff-Serv Code Point) same (header or heading) same (traffic or packet) same (policy or policies or rule)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 22:48
S43	26	(differentiat$10 service code point select$5 or dscp select$5 or Diff-Serv Code Point) same (header or heading) same (traffic or packet)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 22:47
S42	10	(differentiat$10 service code point select$5 or dscp select$5) same (header or heading) same (traffic or packet)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 22:47
S41	34	(forward$9) with (packet) same (queue or group or buffer$5) same (priority) same (faster or higher) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 21:56
S40	11	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8) same (voip or voice over ip or voice over internet protocol) same (call or session or traffic or connection)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:32
S39	12	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8) same (voip or voice over ip or voice over internet protocol)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:32
S38	223	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) same (policy or policies or whitelist$5 or white list$8) and (voip or voice over ip or voice over internet protocol)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:31

S37	21	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:07
S36	5	(discard$10 or block$5 or drop$5) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5) with (only)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:07
S35	5	(addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5) with (only)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:05
S34	15	(addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) with (packet) with (address$5) with (whitelist$9 or white list$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 20:04
S33	12	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) with (packet) with (address$5) with (blacklist$5 or black list$9)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:28
S32	19	(blacklist$5 or black list$9) with (addresses) with (ip or internet protocol or source) with (discard$9 or block$6 or drop$5) with (packet) and (forward$9 or allow$8) with (outside or otherwise or address$5) with (packet) with (address$5)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:28
S31	1	(blacklist$5 or black list$5) with (address$9) with increas$9 with (policy or policies)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO	ADJ	ON	2014/10/19 18:26

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36. **Active network defense system and method**

Active network defense systems are provided to monitor and block traffic in an automated manner. The active network defense system is deployed in-line with respect to packet traffic data flow as part of the network infrastructure. With this configuration, inspection and manipulation of all passing...

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37. **Methods and apparatus for preventing network intrusion**

In one configuration, a non-volatile memory is provided having computer readable instructions configured to instruct a computer or controller to run a setup wizard to obtain setup and filtering module configuration rules from a user; reload the computer or controller with the settings obtained by...

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SEARCH FEE (37 CFR 1.16(k), (i), or (m))	N/A	N/A	N/A	330		N/A	
EXAMINATION FEE (37 CFR 1.16(o), (p), or (q))	N/A	N/A	N/A	380		N/A	
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(i))	27 minus 20 =	* 7	x 50 =	350	OR		
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(j))							OR		
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CERTIFICATION AND REQUEST FOR PRIORITIZED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(e) (Page 1 of 1)

First Named Inventor:	Steven Rogers	Nonprovisional Application Number (if known):	Not Yet Assigned
Title of Invention:	METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PROTECTING A SECURED NETWORK		

APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THE FOLLOWING AND REQUESTS PRIORITIZED EXAMINATION FOR THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION.

1. The processing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i)(1) and the prioritized examination fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(c) have been filed with the request. The publication fee requirement is met because that fee, set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d), is currently $0. The basic filing fee, search fee, and examination fee are filed with the request or have been already been paid. I understand that any required excess claims fees or application size fee must be paid for the application.
2. I understand that the application may not contain, or be amended to contain, more than four independent claims, more than thirty total claims, or any multiple dependent claims, and that any request for an extension of time will cause an outstanding Track I request to be dismissed.
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II. [ ] **Request for Continued Examination - Prioritized Examination under § 1.102(e)(2)**

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iv. This certification and request is being filed prior to the mailing of a first Office action responsive to the request for continued examination.
v. No prior request for continued examination has been granted prioritized examination status under 37 CFR 1.102(e)(2).

Signature	/Scott M Kelly/	Date	December 27, 2019
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Statement under 37 CFR 1.55 or 1.78 for AIA (First Inventor to File) Transition Applications

☐ This application (1) claims priority to or the benefit of an application filed before March 16, 2013 and (2) also contains, or contained at any time, a claim to a claimed invention that has an effective filing date on or after March 16, 2013.
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The applicant is reminded that the EPO's Rule 141(1) EPC (European Patent Convention) requires applicants to submit a copy of search results from the instant application without delay in a European patent application that claims priority to the instant application.

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Applicant 1 — Remove

If the applicant is the inventor (or the remaining joint inventor or inventors under 37 CFR 1.45), this section should not be completed. The information to be provided in this section is the name and address of the legal representative who is the applicant under 37 CFR 1.43; or the name and address of the assignee, person to whom the inventor is under an obligation to assign the invention, or person who otherwise shows sufficient proprietary interest in the matter who is the applicant under 37 CFR 1.46. If the applicant is an applicant under 37 CFR 1.46 (assignee, person to whom the inventor is obligated to assign, or person who otherwise shows sufficient proprietary interest) together with one or more joint inventors, then the joint inventor or inventors who are also the applicant should be identified in this section.

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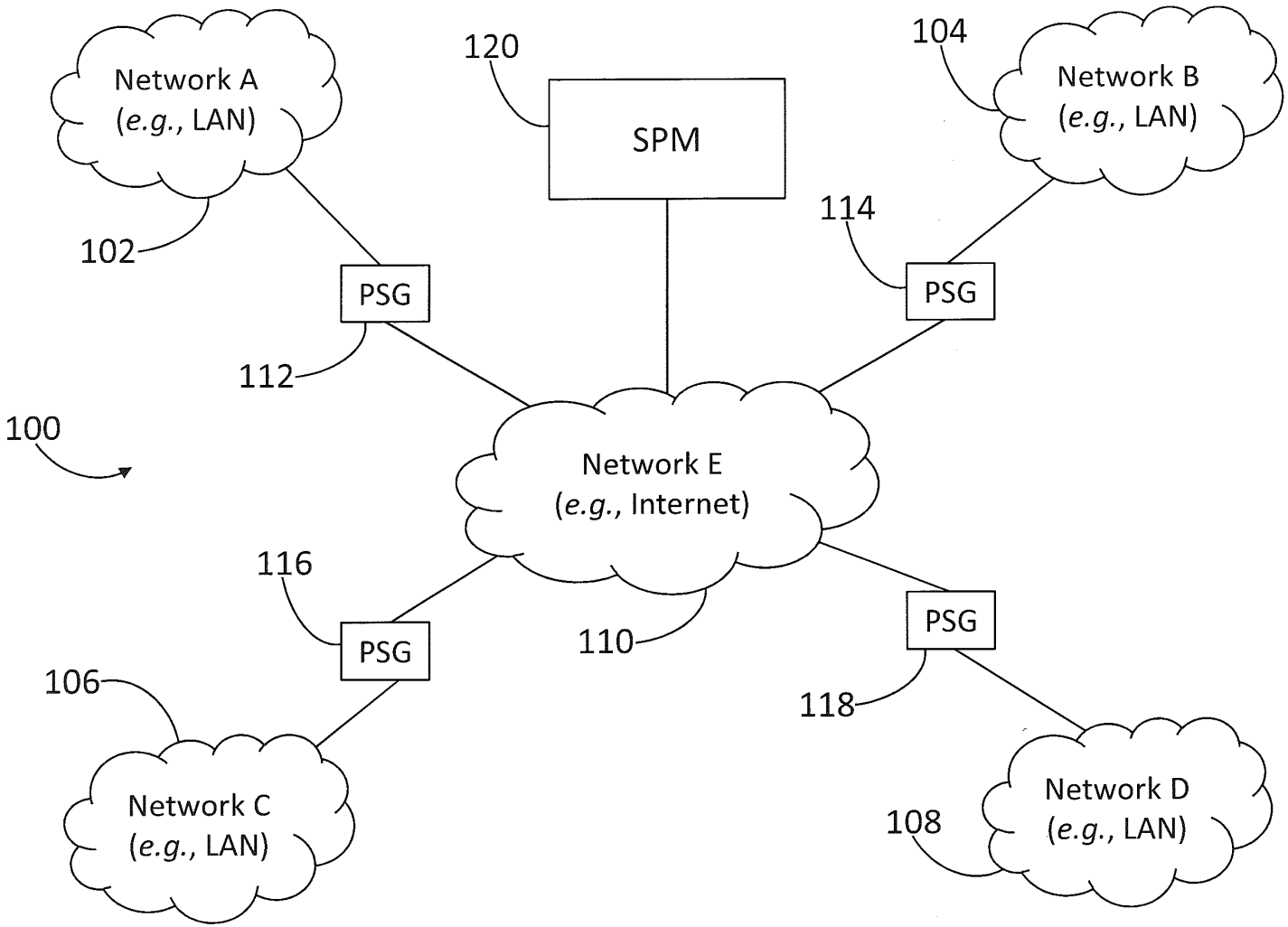

Network A
(e.g., LAN)
102
120
SPM
104
Network B
(e.g., LAN)
114
PSG
PSG
112
100
Network E
(e.g., Internet)
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Network C
(e.g., LAN)
Network D
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FIG. 1

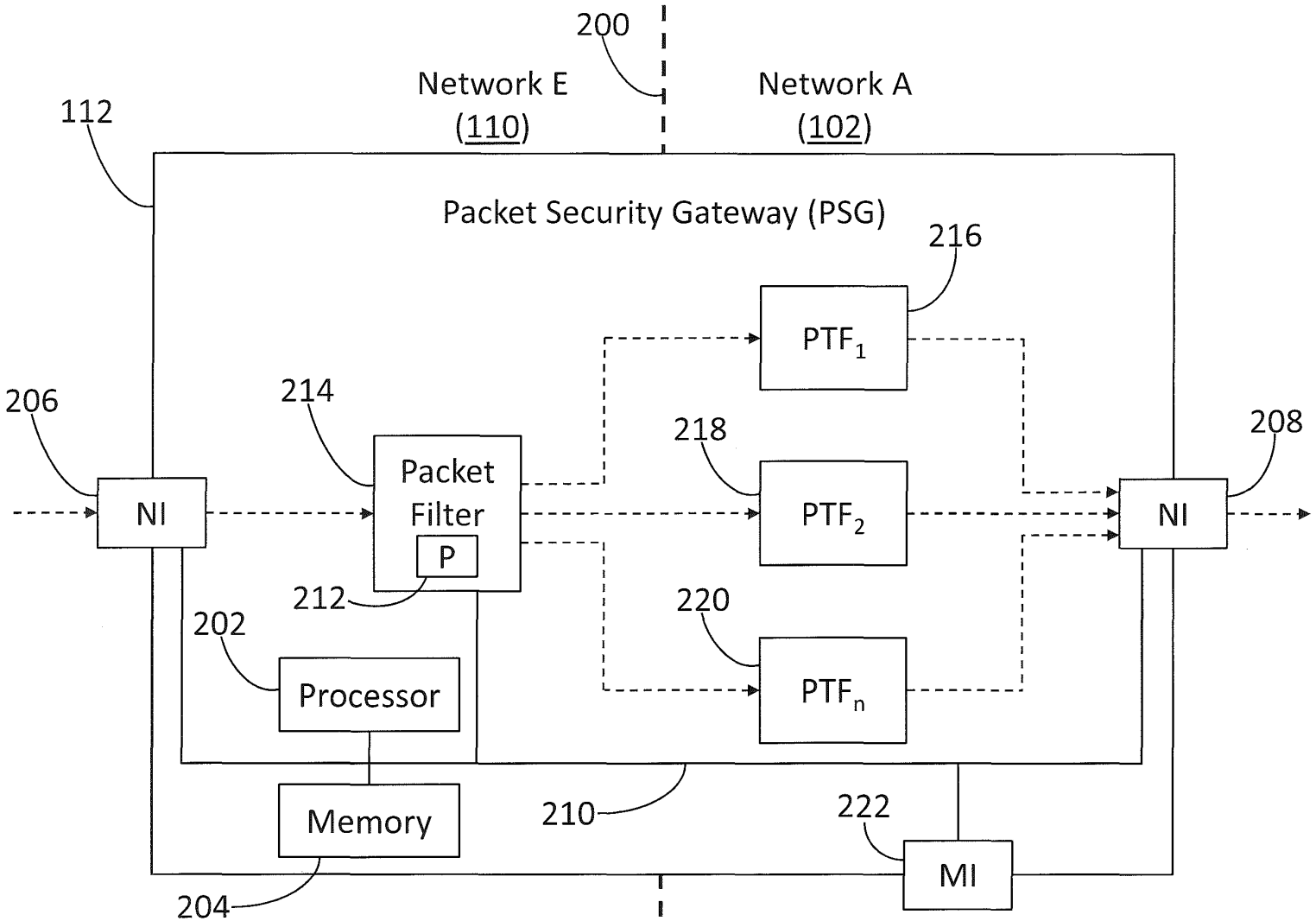
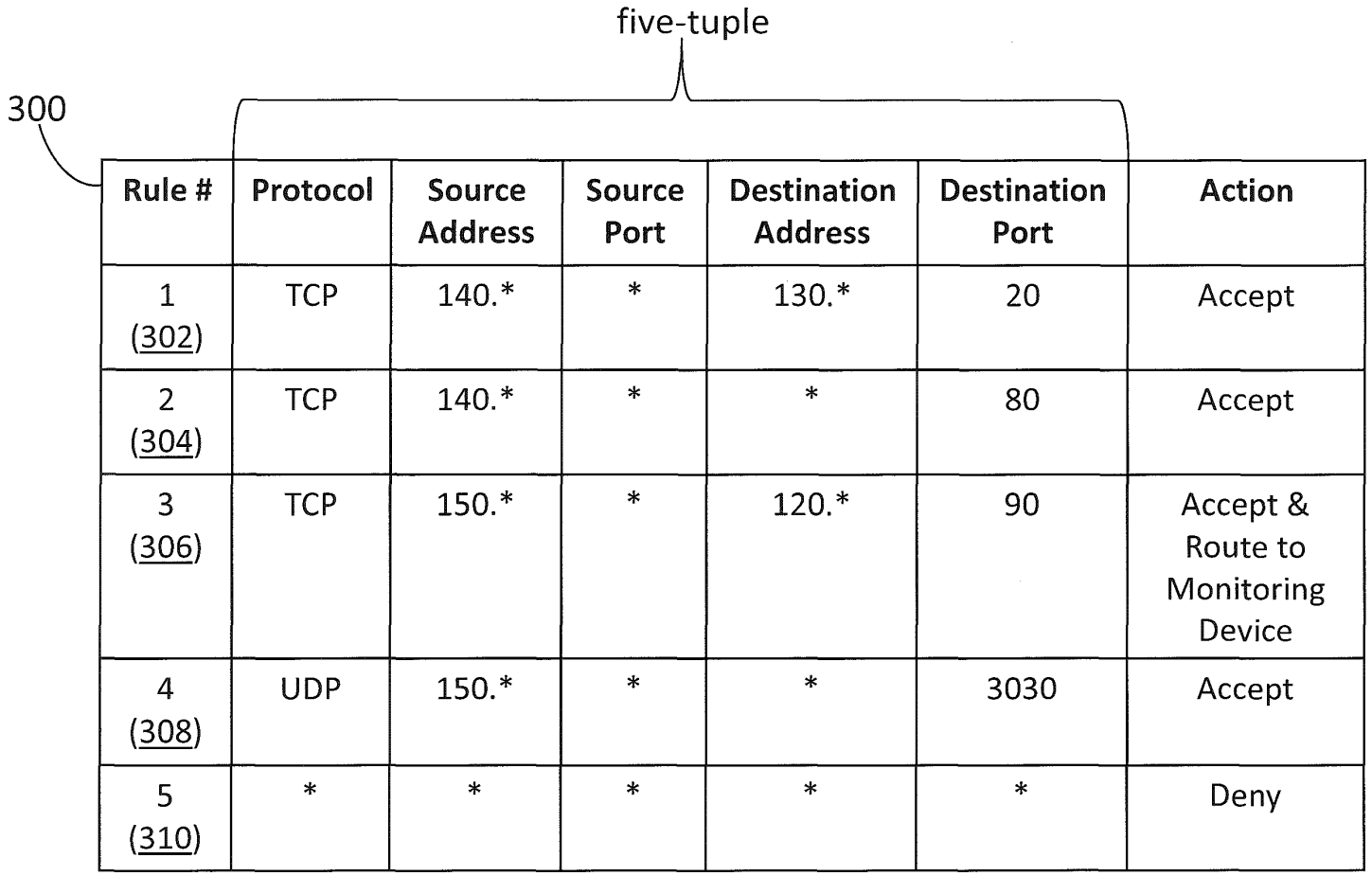


FIG. 2

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Rule #	Protocol	Source Address	Source Port	Destination Address	Destination Port	Action
1 (302)	TCP	140.*	*	130.*	20	Accept
2 (304)	TCP	140.*	*	*	80	Accept
3 (306)	TCP	150.*	*	120.*	90	Accept & Route to Monitoring Device
4 (308)	UDP	150.*	*	*	3030	Accept
5 (310)	*	*	*	*	*	Deny

FIG. 3

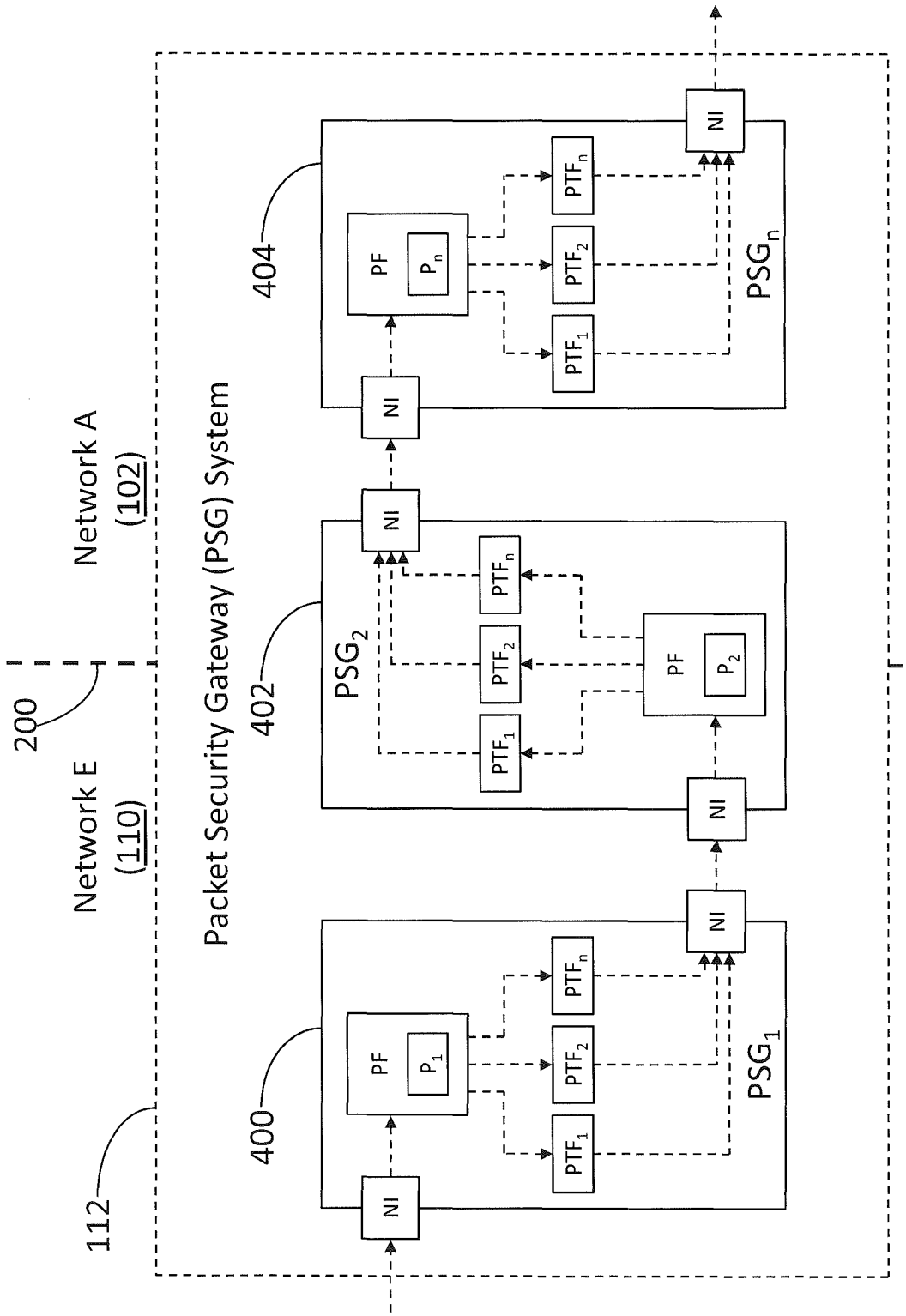

200
Network E
(110)
Network A
(102)
Packet Security Gateway (PSG) System
112
400
402
404
PSG1
PSG2
PSGn
NI
PF
P1
P2
Pn
PTF1
PTF2
PTFn

FIG. 4

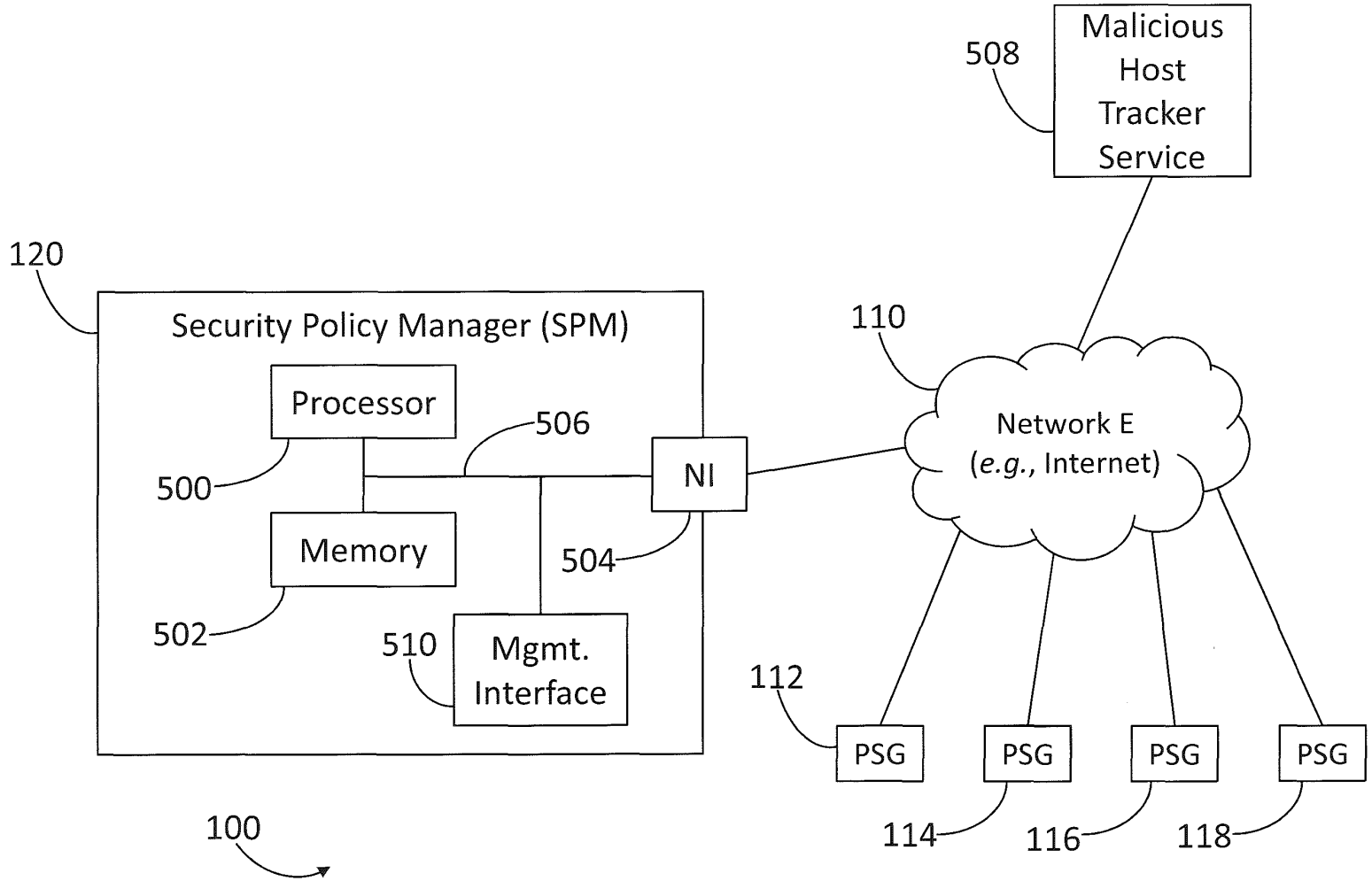

Malicious Host Tracker Service
508
120
Security Policy Manager (SPM)
Processor
506
500
NI
110
Network E (e.g., Internet)
Memory
504
502
510
Mgmt. Interface
112
PSG
PSG
PSG
PSG
114
116
118
100

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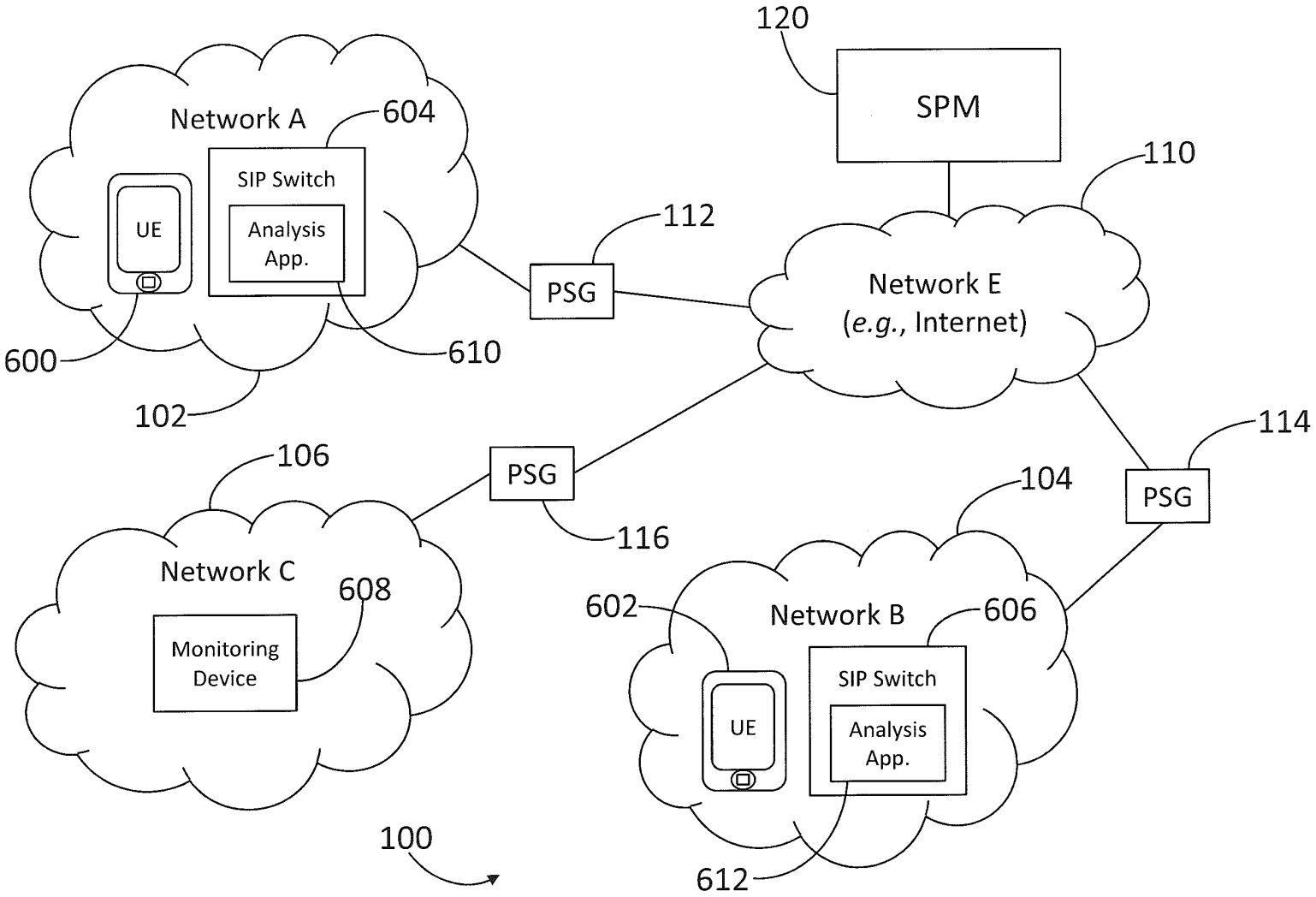

120
SPM
Network A
604
SIP Switch
UE
Analysis App.
112
PSG
110
Network E
(e.g., Internet)
600
610
102
114
106
PSG
104
PSG
116
Network C
608
Monitoring Device
602
Network B
606
SIP Switch
UE
Analysis App.
100
612

FIG. 6

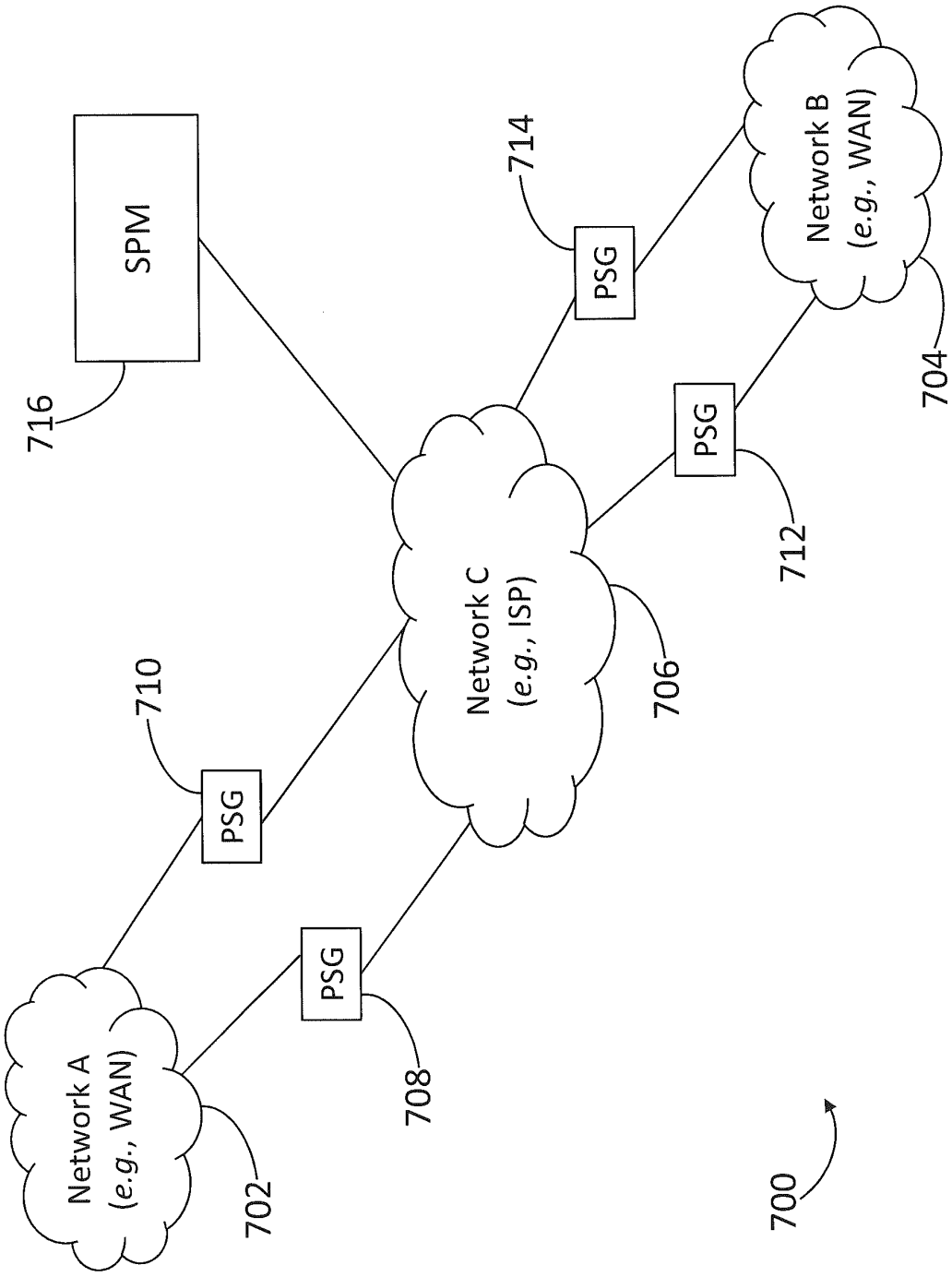

SPM
716
714
PSG
Network B
(e.g., WAN)
704
PSG
712
Network C
(e.g., ISP)
706
710
PSG
PSG
708
Network A
(e.g., WAN)
702
700

FIG. 7

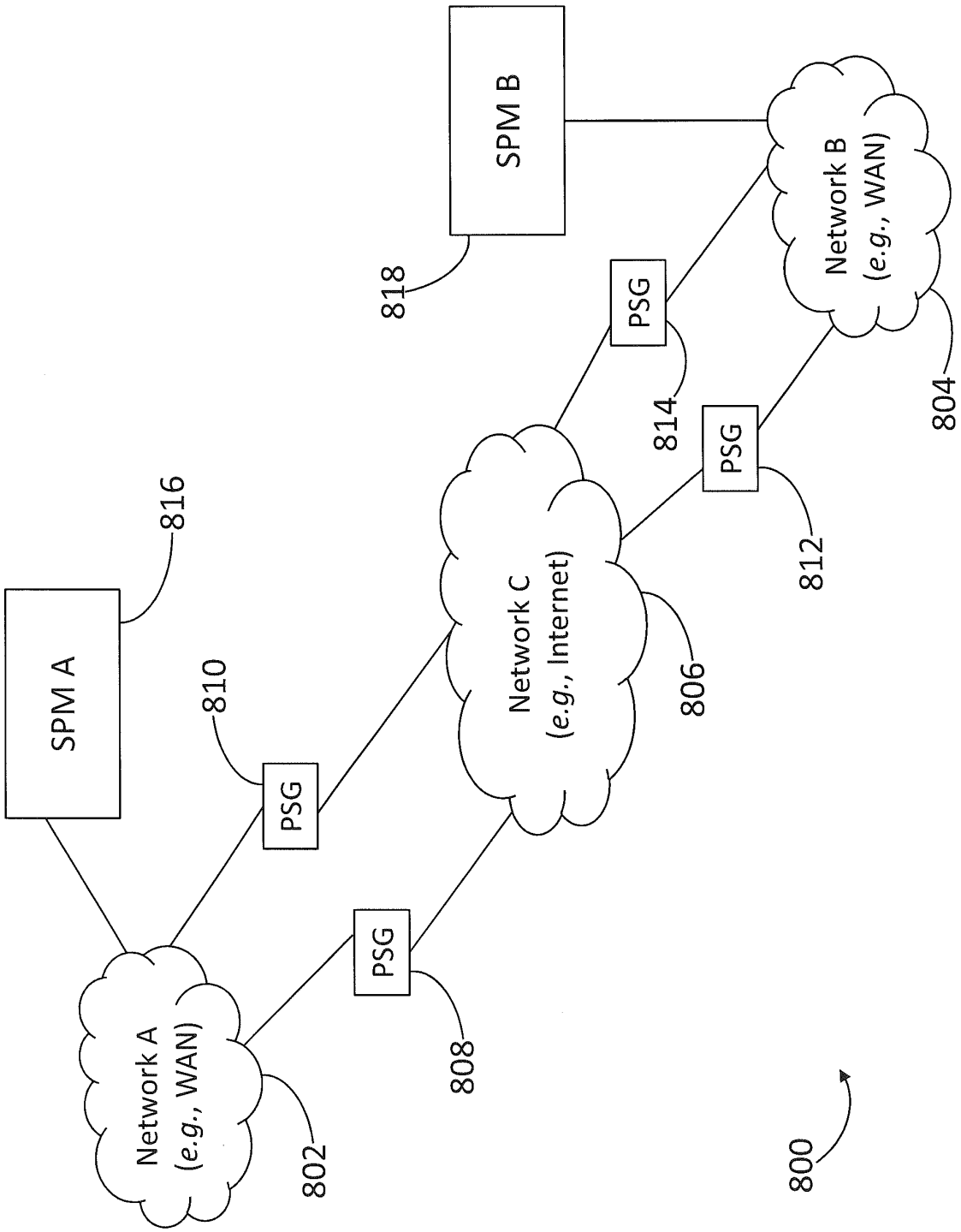

SPM B
818
Network B
(e.g., WAN)
804
PSG
814
PSG
812
SPM A
816
PSG
810
Network C
(e.g., Internet)
806
PSG
808
Network A
(e.g., WAN)
802
800

FIG. 8

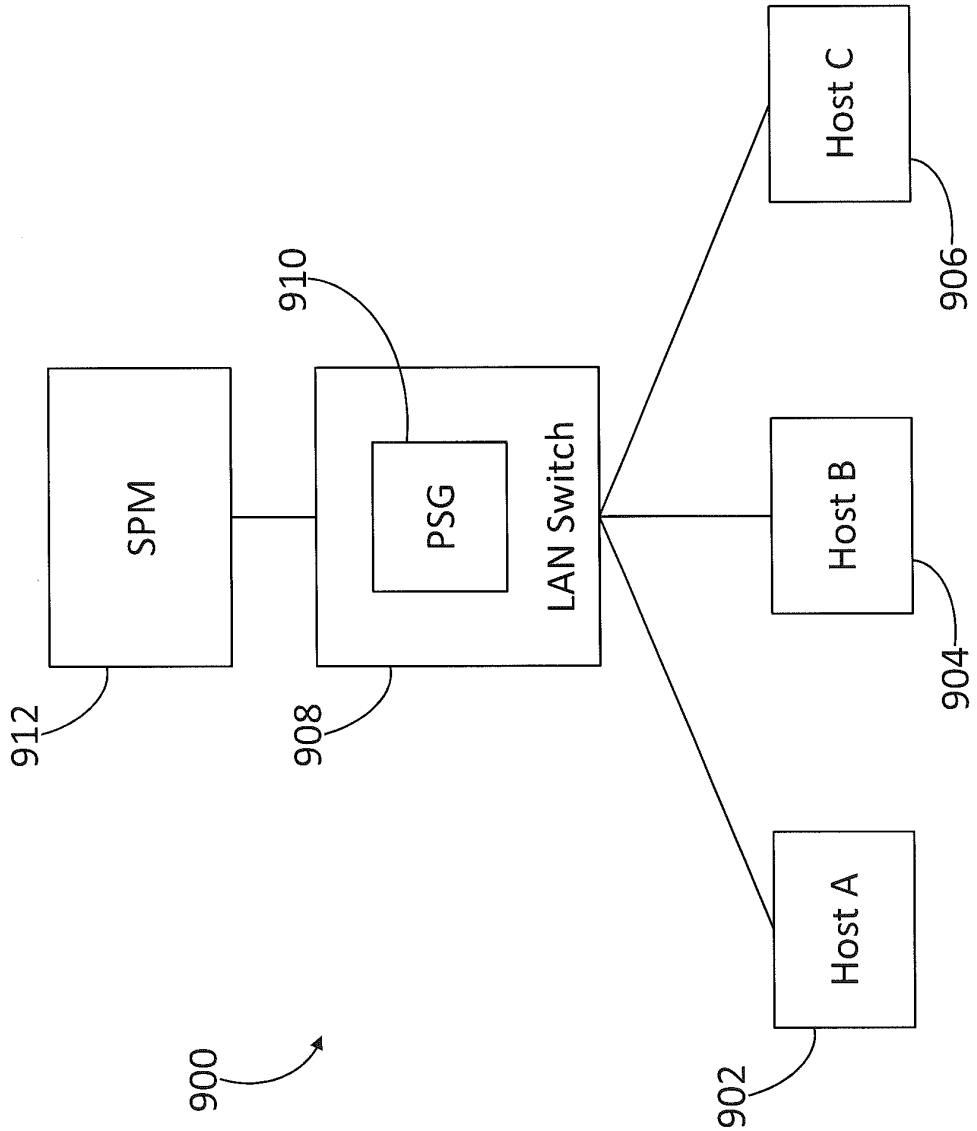

Host C
906
910
SPM
PSG
LAN Switch
Host B
904
912
908
Host A
900
902

FIG. 9

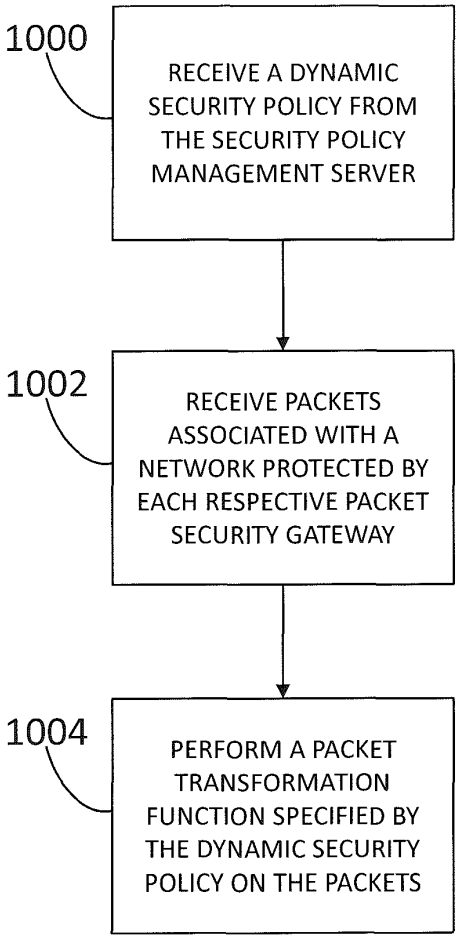

1000
RECEIVE A DYNAMIC SECURITY POLICY FROM THE SECURITY POLICY MANAGEMENT SERVER
1002
RECEIVE PACKETS ASSOCIATED WITH A NETWORK PROTECTED BY EACH RESPECTIVE PACKET SECURITY GATEWAY
1004
PERFORM A PACKET TRANSFORMATION FUNCTION SPECIFIED BY THE DYNAMIC SECURITY POLICY ON THE PACKETS

FIG. 10

METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PROTECTING A SECURED NETWORK

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

[0001] This application is a continuation of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 16/111,524, filed November 25, 2019, entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEMS FOR PROTCTING A SECURED NETWORK", which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 15/413,834, filed January 24, 2017 (now U.S. Patent No. 10,091,246), entitled "METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PROTECTING A SECURED NETWORK," which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 14/698,560 (now U.S. Patent No. 9,560,077), filed April 28, 2015, entitled "METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PROTECTING A SECURED NETWORK," which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 13/657,010 (now U.S. Patent No. 9,137,205), filed October 22, 2012, entitled "METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PROTECTING A SECURED NETWORK." The disclosures of each of these applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety and made part hereof.

BACKGROUND

[0002] The TCP/IP network protocols (*e.g.*, the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and the Internet Protocol (IP)) were designed to build large, resilient, reliable, and robust networks. Such protocols, however, were not originally designed with security in mind. Subsequent developments have extended such protocols to provide for secure communication between peers (*e.g.*, Internet Protocol Security (IPsec)), but the networks themselves remain vulnerable to attack (*e.g.*, Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attacks).

[0003] Most existing approaches to protecting such networks are reactive rather than proactive. While reactive approaches may identify the source of an attack and assist in subsequent mitigation efforts, in most instances, the attack will have already been successfully launched.

[0004] Proactive solutions, however, have often been deemed untenable due to an inability to scale to larger networks. A significant challenge associated with building a scalable proactive solution is the need to filter substantially all network traffic at a high resolution. In a large network,

where traffic volumes may be enormous, the time required to provide high resolution filtering has traditionally been thought to render a proactive solution infeasible.

SUMMARY

[0005] The following presents a simplified summary in order to provide a basic understanding of some aspects of the disclosure. It is neither intended to identify key or critical elements of the disclosure nor to delineate the scope of the disclosure. The following summary merely presents some concepts in a simplified form as a prelude to the description below.

[0006] Aspects of this disclosure relate to protecting a secured network. In some embodiments, one or more packet security gateways are associated with a security policy management server. At each of the packet security gateways, a dynamic security policy may be received from the security policy management server, packets associated with a network protected by the packet security gateway may be received, and at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by the dynamic security policy may be performed on the packets. Performing the at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by the dynamic security policy on the packets may include performing at least one packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the packets.

[0007] In some embodiments, two or more of the packet security gateways may be configured in series such that packets forwarded from a first of the packet security gateways are received by a second of the packet security gateways. In some embodiments, the dynamic security policy may include two rules requiring sequential execution. A first of the packet security gateways may perform a packet transformation function specified by one of the rules on the packets and a second of the packet security gateways may subsequently perform a packet transformation function specified by the other of the rules on packets received from the first packet security gateway.

[0008] In some embodiments, the dynamic security policy may include a rule specifying a set of network addresses for which associated packets should be dropped and a rule specifying that all packets associated with network addresses outside the set should be forwarded. Additionally or alternatively, the dynamic security policy may include a rule specifying a set of network addresses for which associated packets should be forwarded and a rule specifying that all packets associated with network addresses outside the set should be dropped. In some embodiments, the security

policy management server may receive information associated with one or more Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) sessions and the set of network addresses for which associated packets should be forwarded may be created or altered utilizing the information associated with the one or more VoIP sessions.

[0009] In some embodiments, the packet security gateways may receive three or more dynamic security policies from the security policy management server. A first of the dynamic security policies may specify a first set of network addresses for which packets should be forwarded. A second of the dynamic security policies may be received after the first and may specify a second set of network addresses, which includes more network addresses than the first set, for which packets should be forwarded. A third of the dynamic security policies may be received after the second and may specify a third set of network addresses, which includes more network addresses than the second set, for which packets should be forwarded.

[0010] In some embodiments, the dynamic security policy may include two rules that each specify a set of network addresses. The dynamic security policy may specify that packets associated with the first set of network addresses should be placed in a first forwarding queue and packets associated with the second set of network addresses should be placed in a second forwarding queue. The first forwarding queue may have a different queueing policy, for example, a higher forwarding rate, than the second forwarding queue.

[0011] In some embodiments, the dynamic security policy may include a rule specifying a set of network addresses and an additional parameter. The packet transformation function specified by the dynamic security policy may include routing packets that fall within the specified set and match the additional parameter to a network address different from a destination network address specified by the packets. In some embodiments, the additional parameter may be a Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) Uniform Resource Identifier (URI). The network address different from the destination network address may correspond to a device configured to copy information contained within the packets and forward the packets to the destination network address specified by the packets.

[0012] In some embodiments, the packet transformation function may forward the packets into the network protected by the packet security gateway. In some embodiments, the packet

transformation function may forward the packets out of the network protected by the packet security gateway. In some embodiments, the packet transformation function may forward the one or more packets to an IPsec stack having an IPsec security association corresponding to the packets. In some embodiments, the packet transformation function may drop the packets.

[0013] In some embodiments, the dynamic security policy may include multiple rules. One of the rules may specify the packet transformation function. In some embodiments, one of the rules may specify a five-tuple of values selected from packet header information. The five-tuple may specify one or more protocol types, one or more IP source addresses, one or more source ports, one or more IP destination addresses, and one or more destination ports. In some embodiments, one of the rules may specify a Differentiated Service Code Point (DSCP) that maps to a DSCP field in an IP header of one of the packets.

[0014] In some embodiments, one of the packet security gateways may operate in a network layer transparent manner. For example, the packet security gateway may send and receive traffic at a link layer using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer and simultaneously perform the packet transformation function at the network layer. Additionally or alternatively, the packet security gateway may include a management interface having a network layer address. Access to the management interface may be secured at the application level.

[0015] In some embodiments, the dynamic security policy may include a rule generated based, at least in part, on a list of known network addresses associated with malicious network traffic. In some embodiments, the list of known network addresses associated with malicious network traffic may be received from a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

[0016] In some embodiments, the packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway may originate within the network protected by the packet security gateway and may be destined for a network distinct from the network protected by the packet security gateway. Additionally or alternatively, the packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway may originate within a network distinct from the network protected by the packet security gateway and may be destined for a host within the network protected by the packet security gateway.

[0017] In some embodiments, one of the packet security gateways may be located at each boundary between a protected network associated with the security policy management server and an unprotected network.

[0018] Other details and features will be described in the sections that follow.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0019] The present disclosure is pointed out with particularity in the appended claims. Features of the disclosure will become more apparent upon a review of this disclosure in its entirety, including the drawing figures provided herewith.

[0020] Some features herein are illustrated by way of example, and not by way of limitation, in the figures of the accompanying drawings, in which like reference numerals refer to similar elements.

[0021] FIG. 1 illustrates an exemplary network environment in which one or more aspects of the disclosure may be implemented.

[0022] FIG. 2 illustrates an exemplary packet security gateway.

[0023] FIG. 3 illustrates an exemplary dynamic security policy.

[0024] FIG. 4 illustrates an exemplary configuration of multiple packet security gateways in series.

[0025] FIG. 5 illustrates an exemplary security policy management server.

[0026] FIG. 6 illustrates an exemplary network environment for implementing a monitoring service.

[0027] FIG. 7 illustrates an exemplary network environment that includes a secured network having multiple boundaries with unsecured networks.

[0028] FIG. 8 illustrates an exemplary network environment that includes multiple distinct secured networks.

[0029] FIG. 9 illustrates an exemplary secure LAN environment.

[0030] FIG. 10 illustrates an exemplary method for protecting a secured network.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0031] In the following description of various illustrative embodiments, reference is made to the accompanying drawings, which form a part hereof, and in which is shown, by way of illustration, various embodiments in which aspects of the disclosure may be practiced. It is to be understood that other embodiments may be utilized, and structural and functional modifications may be made, without departing from the scope of the present disclosure.

[0032] Various connections between elements are discussed in the following description. These connections are general and, unless specified otherwise, may be direct or indirect, wired or wireless. In this respect, the specification is not intended to be limiting.

[0033] FIG. 1 illustrates an exemplary network environment in which one or more aspects of the disclosure may be implemented. Referring to FIG. 1, network environment **100** may include networks A – E **102**, **104**, **106**, **108**, and **110**. One or more networks within network environment **100** may be a Local Area Network (LAN) or a Wide Area Network (WAN). Such a LAN or WAN may be associated, for example, with an organization (*e.g.*, a company, university, enterprise, or government agency). For example, networks A – D **102**, **104**, **106**, and **108** may be LANs, any combination of which may be associated with one or more organizations. One or more networks within network environment **100** may interface with one or more other networks within network environment **100**. For example, network environment **100** may include a WAN that interfaces one or more LANs within network environment **100** or network environment **100** may include one or more Internet Service Providers (ISPs) that interface one or more LANs or WANs within network environment **100** via the Internet. For example, network E **110** may comprise the Internet and may interface networks A – D **102**, **104**, **106**, and **108**.

[0034] As used herein, a packet security gateway includes any computing device configured to receive packets and perform a packet transformation function on the packets. Optionally, a packet security gateway may further be configured to perform one or more additional functions as described herein. As used herein, a security policy management server includes any computing device configured to communicate a dynamic security policy to a packet security gateway. Optionally, a security policy management server may further be configured to perform one or more additional functions as described herein. As used herein, a dynamic security policy includes any

rule, message, instruction, file, data structure, or the like that specifies criteria corresponding to one or more packets and identifies a packet transformation function to be performed on packets corresponding to the specified criteria. Optionally, a dynamic security policy may further specify one or more additional parameters as described herein.

[0035] Network environment **100** may include one or more packet security gateways and one or more security policy management servers. For example, network environment **100** may include packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118**, and security policy management server **120**. One or more security policy management servers may be associated with a protected network. For example, networks A – D **102**, **104**, **106**, and **108** may each be distinct LANs associated with a common organization and may each form part of a protected network associated with security policy management server **120**. Many network protocols route packets dynamically, and thus the path a given packet may take cannot be readily predicted. Accordingly it may be advantageous to locate a packet security gateway at each boundary between a protected network and an unprotected network. For example, packet security gateway **112** may be located at the boundary between network A **102** and network E **110**. Similarly, packet security gateway **114** may be located at the boundary between network B **104** and network E **110**; packet security gateway **116** may be located at the boundary between network C **106** and network E **110**; and packet security gateway **118** may be located at the boundary between network D **108** and network E **110**. As will be described in greater detail below, each of one or more packet security gateways associated with a security policy management server may be configured to receive a dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, receive packets associated with a network protected by the packet security gateway, and perform a packet transformation function specified by the dynamic security policy on the packets. For example, each of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118** may be configured to receive a dynamic security policy from security policy management server **120**. Each of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118** may also be configured to receive packets respectively associated with networks A – D **102**, **104**, **106**, and **108**. Each of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118** may further be configured to perform a packet transformation function specified by the dynamic security policy received from security policy management server **120** on the packets respectively associated with networks A – D **102**, **104**, **106**, and **108**.

[0036] FIG. 2 illustrates an exemplary packet security gateway according to one or more aspects of the disclosure. Referring to FIG. 2, as indicated above, packet security gateway **112** may be located at network boundary **200** between network A **102** and network E **110**. Packet security gateway **112** may include processor **202**, memory **204**, network interfaces **206** and **208**, packet filter **214**, and management interface **222**. Processor **202**, memory **204**, network interfaces **206** and **208**, packet filter **214**, and management interface **222** may be interconnected via data bus **210**. Network interface **206** may connect packet security gateway **112** to network E **110**. Similarly, network interface **208** may connect packet security gateway **112** to network A **102**. Memory **204** may include one or more program modules that when executed by processor **202**, configure packet security gateway **112** to perform various functions as described herein.

[0037] Packet security gateway **112** may be configured to receive a dynamic security policy from security policy management server **120**. For example, packet security gateway **112** may receive dynamic security policy **212** from security policy management server **120** via management interface **222** (*i.e.*, out-of-band signaling) or network interface **206** (*i.e.*, in-band signaling). Packet security gateway **112** may include one or more packet filters or packet discriminators, or logic for implementing one or more packet filters or packet discriminators. For example, packet security gateway **112** may include packet filter **214**, which may be configured to examine information associated with packets received by packet security gateway **112** and forward the packets to one or more packet transformation functions based on the examined information. For example, packet filter **214** may examine information associated with packets received by packet security gateway **112** (*e.g.*, packets received from network E **110** via management interface **222** or network interface **206**) and forward the packets to one or more of packet transformation functions 1 – N **216**, **218**, and **220** based on the examined information.

[0038] As will be described in greater detail below, dynamic security policy **212** may include one or more rules and the configuration of packet filter **214** may be based on one or more of the rules included in dynamic security policy **212**. For example, dynamic security policy **212** may include one or more rules specifying that packets having specified information should be forwarded to packet transformation function **216**, while all other packets should be forwarded to packet transformation function **218**. Packet transformation functions 1 – N **216**, **218**, and **220** may be configured to perform one or more functions on packets they receive from packet filter **214**.

For example, packet transformation functions 1 – N **216**, **218**, and **220** may be configured to forward packets received from packet filter **214** into network A **102**, forward packets received from packet filter **214** to an IPsec stack having an IPsec security association corresponding to the packets, or drop packets received from packet filter **214**. In some embodiments, one or more of packet transformation functions 1 – N **216**, **218**, and **220** may be configured to drop packets by sending the packets to a local "infinite sink" (*e.g.*, the /dev/null device file in a UNIX/LINUX system).

[0039] In some embodiments, packet security gateway **112** may be configured in a network layer transparent manner. For example, packet security gateway **112** may be configured to utilize one or more of network interfaces **206** and **208** to send and receive traffic at the link layer. One or more of network interfaces **206** and **208**, however, may not be addressed at the network layer. Because packet filter **214** and packet transformation functions 1 – N **216**, **218**, and **220** operate at the network layer, PSG **112** may still perform packet transformation functions at the network layer. By operating in a network layer transparent manner, packet security gateway **112** may insulate itself from network attacks (*e.g.*, DDoS attacks) launched at the network layer because attack packets cannot be routed to the network interfaces **206** and **208**. In some embodiments, packet security gateway **112** may include management interface **222**. Management interface **222** may be addressed at the network level in order to provide packet security gateway **112** with network level addressability. Access to management interface **222** may be secured, for example, at the application level by using a service such as SSH, or secured at the transport level using, *e.g.*, TLS, or secured at the network level by attaching it to a network with a separate address space and routing policy from network A **102** and network E **110**, or secured at the link level, *e.g.*, using the IEEE 802.1X framework, etc.

[0040] The flows illustrated by Figure 2 are merely exemplary and show packets that originate within a network distinct from network A **102** and are destined for a host within network A **102** in order to simplify the illustration. Packet security gateway **112** may be configured to receive and filter packets that originate within a network other than network A **102** (*e.g.*, networks B – E **104**, **106**, **108**, or **110**) and are destined for a host within network A **102**, as well as packets that originate within network A **102** destined for a network distinct from network A **102** (*e.g.*, network B – D **104**, **106**, **108**, or **110**). That is, packet security gateway **112** may be configured to filter and

perform one or more packet transformation functions on packets flowing in either direction and may thus be utilized, for example, to both protect network A **102** from malicious network traffic and to prevent malicious network traffic from leaving network A **102**.

[0041] FIG. 3 illustrates an exemplary dynamic security policy in accordance with one or more embodiments. Referring to FIG. 3, dynamic security policy **300** may include rules 1 – 5 **302**, **304**, **306**, **308**, and **310**. Each rule may specify criteria and one or more packet transformation functions that should be performed for packets associated with the specified criteria. The specified criteria may take the form of a five-tuple of values selected from packet header information, specifying a protocol type of the data section of the IP packet (*e.g.*, TCP, UDP, ICMP, or any other protocol), one or more source IP addresses, one or more source port values, one or more destination IP addresses, and one or more destination ports. For example, rule 1 **302** may specify that IP packets containing TCP packets, originating from a source IP address that begins with 140, having any source port, destined for an IP address that begins with 130, and destined for port 20 should have an accept packet transformation function (*e.g.*, the identity function) performed on them. Similarly, rule 2 **304** may specify that IP packets containing TCP packets, originating from a source IP address that begins with 140, having any source port, destined for any IP address, and destined for port 80 should have an accept packet transformation function performed on them; rule 3 **306** may specify that IP packets containing TCP packets, originating from a source IP address that begins with 150, having any source port, destined for any IP address that begins with 120, and destined for port 90 should have an accept packet transformation function performed on them; rule 4 **308** may specify that IP packets containing UDP packets, originating from a source IP address that begins with 150, having any source port, destined for any IP address, and destined for port 3030 should have an accept packet transformation function performed on them; and rule 5 **310** may specify that IP packets containing any data, originating from any source IP address, having any source port, destined for any IP address, and destined for any port should have a deny packet transformation function performed on them. One or more rules included in dynamic security policy **300** may be specified in IP version 4 or IP version 6.

[0042] As will be described in greater detail below, dynamic security policy **300** may include one or more rules that specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding (accepting or allowing) or dropping (denying) a packet. For example, rule 3 **306** may specify that IP packets

containing TCP packets, originating from a source IP address that begins with 150, having any source port, destined for any IP address that begins with 120, and destined for port 90 should not only have an accept packet transformation function performed on them, but should also be routed to a monitoring device.

[0043] One or more rules within dynamic security policy **300** may be required to execute in a specific order. For example, it may be required that rule 5 **310** be executed last. Because rule 5 **310** specifies that any packet should have a deny packet transformation function performed on it, if it were executed before a rule specifying an accept packet transformation function (*e.g.*, one or more of rules 1 – 4 **302**, **304**, **306**, or **308**), no packets matching the criteria specified by the rule specifying the accept packet transformation function would pass through a packet security gateway implementing dynamic security policy **300**. Similarly, two or more rules within dynamic security policy **300** may specify overlapping criteria and different packet transformation functions. In such cases, the order-of-application of the rules may determine which rule is applied to a packet that would match the two or more rules. Such rules may be merged together or otherwise transformed into a different set of rules without overlapping criteria, which may produce the same result as the original set of rules, when applied to any packet.

[0044] A dynamic security policy may utilize the combination of one or more rules to create policies for governing packets within a network environment or effectuating one or more services within a network environment. For example, a dynamic security policy may include one or more rules, the combination of which may effectuate a blocklist service within a network environment. A dynamic security policy that effectuates a blocklist service within a network environment may include one or more rules specifying criteria (*e.g.*, a set of network addresses) for which associated packets should be blocked, dropped, or denied, and at least one rule specifying that all packets outside the specified block sets should be forwarded, accepted, or allowed. Such a dynamic security policy may be constructed by including one or more rules specifying criteria (*e.g.*, a set of network addresses) for which associated packets should be dropped, and a wildcard rule, designated to be executed last, and specifying that all packets should be allowed. One or more dynamic security policies that effectuate a blocklist service may be utilized to implement one or more Virtual Private Networks (VPNs).

[0045] A dynamic security policy may also include one or more rules, the combination of which may effectuate an allowlist service within a network environment. A dynamic security policy that effectuates an allowlist service within a network environment may include one or more rules specifying criteria (*e.g.*, a set of network addresses) for which associated packets should be forwarded, allowed, or accepted, and at least one rule specifying that all packets outside the specified allow sets should be blocked, denied, or dropped. Such a dynamic security policy may be constructed by including one or more rules specifying criteria (*e.g.*, a set of network addresses) for which associated packets should be forwarded, and a wildcard rule, designated to be executed last, and specifying that all packets should be blocked. For example, dynamic security policy **300** includes rules 1 – 4 **302**, **304**, **306**, and **308**, each of which specifies a set of network addresses for which packets should be allowed, and rule 5 **310** which specifies that all packets should be dropped. Thus, if rules 1 – 5 **302**, **304**, **306**, **308**, and **310** are executed in order, dynamic security policy **300** will effectuate an allowlist service.

[0046] A dynamic security policy may also include one or more rules, the combination of which may effectuate a VoIP firewall service within a network environment. As will be discussed in greater detail below, a security policy management server may receive information associated with VoIP sessions. For example, a security policy management server may receive information associated with VoIP sessions from one or more softswitches (*e.g.*, H.323 softswitches, SIP IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) softswitches) or session border controllers when a VoIP session is initialized or set up. In order to allow packets associated with such a VoIP session within a network protected by one or more packet security gateways associated with the security policy management server, the security policy management server may utilize the received information associated with the VoIP sessions to construct one or more rules for allowing the packets associated with the VoIP session. When the VoIP session is terminated or torn down, the softswitch or session border controller may notify the security policy management server, which may create or alter one or more rules to reflect the termination of the VoIP session (*e.g.*, to deny future packets which may match criteria previously associated with the VoIP session).

[0047] A dynamic security policy may also include one or more rules or rule sets, the combination of which may effectuate a phased restoration service within a network environment. Such a phased restoration service may be used in the event of a network attack (*e.g.*, a DDoS

attack). When an attack occurs a network may be overwhelmed with network traffic and be unable to route all or any of the traffic. In the event of such an attack, it may be beneficial to utilize a dynamic security policy which effectuates a phased restoration service. Such a dynamic security policy may include one or more rules or rule sets configured for execution in time-shifted phases. Each of the rules or rule sets may specify progressively larger sets of network addresses. For example, a dynamic security policy may include three rules or rule sets which may be configured for execution in time-shifted phases. A first of the rules or rule sets may specify a relatively small set of network addresses for which packets should be forwarded (*e.g.*, network addresses corresponding to mission critical network devices). A second of the rules or rule sets may specify a relatively larger set of network addresses for which packets should be forwarded (*e.g.*, network addresses corresponding to trusted network devices). A third of the rules or rule sets may specify an even larger set of network addresses for which packets should be forwarded (*e.g.*, network addresses corresponding to all network devices that would be allowed under ordinary circumstances). The dynamic security policy may specify that the rules or rule sets should be implemented in time-shifted phases. That is, the dynamic security policy may specify that the first rule or rule set should be executed first, and that the second rule or rule set should be executed at a time after the time at which the first rule or rule set is executed, and the third rule or rule set should be executed at a time after the time at which the second rule or rule set is executed. Such a dynamic security policy may assist a network in recovering from an attack, by allowing the network to isolate itself from the attack or recover in a controlled manner.

[0048] A dynamic security policy may also include one or more rules, the combination of which may effectuate an enqueueing service within a network environment. A dynamic security policy that effectuates an enqueueing service may include one or more rules that specify sets of network addresses and packet transformation functions that queue packets in one or more queues corresponding to the sets. These queues may then be serviced at varying rates. For example, a dynamic security policy may include two rules, each of which specify a set of network addresses. A first of the rules may specify that packets corresponding to its specified set should be queued in a first forwarding queue. A second of the rules may specify that packets corresponding to its specified set should be queued in a second forwarding queue. The first forwarding queue may be serviced at a higher forwarding rate than the second forwarding queue. Such an enqueueing service

may be utilized during or following a network attack, or generally to provide prioritized service to critical network devices (*e.g.*, when network resources are strained). In some embodiments, one or more rules contained within a dynamic security policy may include an arbitrary selector which may correspond to one or more parameters or fields associated with a packet. For example, a dynamic security policy rule may include a Differentiated Service Code Point (DSCP) selector that corresponds to a DSCP field in an IP header. Thus, two packets having different values within the specified DSCP field may correspond to two distinct rules within a dynamic security policy and have different packet transformation functions performed on them. For example, two otherwise identical packets having different values within the specified DSCP field may be queued in two different forwarding queues that have different forwarding rates, and may thus receive differentiated service.

[0049] A dynamic security policy may also include one or more rules, the combination of which may effectuate a multi-dimensional routing service or a multi-dimensional switching service within a network environment. For example, in some embodiments, a dynamic security policy may include one or more rules that specify a set of network addresses and an additional parameter. Such rules may further specify a packet transformation function configured to route packets within the specified set of network addresses that match the additional parameter to a network address distinct from the packets' respective destination network addresses. For example, the packet transformation function may be configured to encapsulate such packets (*e.g.*, as described by Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) Request For Comment (RFC) 2003) with an IP header specifying a network address different from their respective destination addresses. The packets may then be routed to the network address specified by the encapsulating IP header, which may correspond to a network device configured to utilize such packets or data contained within them, strip the IP header from the packets, and forward the packets to their respective destination addresses. In some embodiments, the packet transformation function may be configured to alter or modify the destination address of the packets, which may then be routed to the altered or modified destination address. Additionally or alternatively, the packet transformation function may be configured to assign such packets to a particular Layer-2 VLAN (*e.g.*, as described by IEEE 802.1Q). The packets may then be switched to another device on the same VLAN, which

may or may not be on the IP-layer path that the packet would have taken if it were routed according to the packet's destination IP address instead of being switched through the VLAN.

[0050] As will be described in greater detail below, in some embodiments a dynamic security policy may include one or more rules, the combination of which may effectuate an implementation of a multi-dimensional routing service for performing a monitoring service within a network environment. For example, a dynamic security policy may include one or more rules that specify a set of network addresses (*e.g.*, a set of network addresses from which a call that is to be monitored is expected to originate within) and an additional parameter (*e.g.*, a SIP URI corresponding to a caller to be monitored). As indicated above, such rules may further specify a packet transformation function configured to route or switch packets within the specified set of network addresses that match the additional parameter (*e.g.*, the SIP URI) to a network address corresponding to a monitoring device. The network address corresponding to the monitoring device may be different from the packets' destination network address (*e.g.*, an address corresponding to the called party or a softswitch associated with the called party). For example, the packet transformation function may be configured to encapsulate the packets with an IP header specifying the network address corresponding to the monitoring device. The packets may then be routed (or rerouted) to the monitoring device, which may be configured to copy the packets or data contained within them (*e.g.*, for subsequent review by a law enforcement or national security authority), strip the IP header from them, and then forward the packets to their destination address (*e.g.*, the address corresponding to the called party or softswitch associated with the called party).

[0051] As indicated above, a significant challenge associated with building a scalable proactive solution for protecting a secured network, is the need to filter substantially all network traffic at a high resolution. Filtering traffic at a high resolution often requires the use of many rules. In a large network, where traffic volumes may be enormous, the time required to provide high resolution filtering (*e.g.*, the time required to apply a large number of rules to a large volume of traffic) has traditionally been thought to render proactive network protection solutions infeasible. This concern may be particularly acute in network environments that utilize low-latency applications (*e.g.*, VoIP).

[0052] Recent advances in packet filtering technology have reduced the time required to apply large rule sets to network traffic. For example, U.S. Patent Application Publication Nos.

2006/0195896 and 2006/0248580 to Fulp et al., and U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2011/0055916 to Ahn, describe advanced packet filtering technologies, and are each incorporated by reference herein in their entireties.

[0053] One approach to providing high resolution filtering, while reducing the number of rules applied to network traffic, may be utilized when a dynamic security policy is combinatorially complete. For example, a dynamic security policy may be configured to allow bi-directional communication between a set of N internal hosts $\{I_1, I_2, \ldots, I_N\}$ within a protected network and a set of M external hosts $\{E_1, E_2, \ldots, E_M\}$ outside the protected network. To enable communications between the internal hosts and the external hosts, the dynamic security policy may be constructed to include a set of rules containing each possible combination of internal hosts and external hosts (*e.g.*,$\{\{I_1, E_1\}, \{I_1, E_2\}, \ldots \{I_1, E_M\}, \{I_2, E_1\}, \{I_2, E_2\}, \ldots \{I_2, E_M\}, \ldots, \{I_N, E_1\}, \{I_N, E_2\}, \ldots \{I_N, E_M\}\}$), each of the rules being associated with an allow packet transformation function. Such a dynamic security policy would have N*M rules for allowing communication between the internal hosts and the external hosts that originate from one of the internal hosts and are destined for one of the external hosts, and an additional N*M rules for allowing communications between the internal hosts and the external hosts that originate from one of the external hosts and are destined for one of the internal hosts. An equivalent result may be achieved, however, by constructing two smaller dynamic security policies: a first dynamic security policy that includes rules specifying the N internal hosts (*e.g.*, $\{\{I_1\}, \{I_2\}, \ldots, \{I_N\}\}$), each rule being associated with an accept packet transformation function; and a second dynamic security policy that includes rules specifying the M external hosts (*e.g.*, $\{\{E_1\}, \{E_2\}, \ldots, \{E_M\}\}$), each rule being associated with an accept packet transformation function. Such a construct of dynamic security policies may be implemented using a system of packet security gateways configured in series.

[0054] FIG. 4 illustrates an exemplary configuration of multiple packet security gateways connected in series. Referring to FIG. 4, packet security gateway **112** may include one or more packet security gateways configured in series. For example, packet security gateway **112** may include packet security gateways 1 – N **400**, **402**, and **404**. Packet security gateways 1 – N **400**, **402**, and **404** may be configured so that packets forwarded by packet security gateway 1 **400** are received by packet security gateway 2 **402**, and packets forwarded by packet security gateway 2 **402** are received by the next packet security gateway in the series, all the way through packet

security gateway N **404**. Each of packet security gateways 1 – N **400**, **402**, and **404** may include a packet filter, similar to packet filter **214** described above with respect to FIG. 2, and one or more packet transformation functions, similar to packet transformation functions 1 – N **216**, **218**, and **220** described above with respect to FIG. 2. Packet security gateways 1 – N **400**, **402**, and **404** may be utilized to implement a construct of dynamic security policies similar to that described above.

[0055] For example, packet security gateway 1 **400** may be configured to implement P_1, which may include rules specifying M external hosts (*e.g.*, $\{\{E_1\}, \{E_2\}, \ldots, \{E_M\}\}$), each rule being associated with an accept packet transformation function. Packet security gateway 2 **402** may be configured to implement P_2, which may include rules specifying N internal hosts (*e.g.*, $\{\{I_1\}, \{I_2\}, \ldots, \{I_N\}\}$), each rule being associated with an accept packet transformation function. A packet received by packet security gateway **112** may be initially received via packet security gateway 1 **400**'s network interface. Packet security gateway 1 **400** may apply one or more of the rules in P_1 to the received packet until the packet matches criteria specified by a rule in P_1, at which point packet security gateway 1 **400** may perform a packet transformation function specified by the rule on the packet. For example, a packet may be received by packet security gateway **112** that originates from external host E_5 (*e.g.*, a host within network E **110**) and is destined for internal host I_7 (*e.g.*, a host within network A **102**). Packet security gateway 1 **400** may apply one or more of the rules in P_1 (*e.g.*, $\{\{E_1\}, \{E_2\}, \ldots, \{E_M\}\}$) to the received packet and the received packet may match the criteria specified by one of the rules in P_1 (*e.g.*, $\{\{E_5\}$). The rule may specify that an accept packet transformation function should be performed, and packet security gateway 1 **400** may utilize one or more of its packet transformation functions to perform the accept packet transformation function on the packet and forward the packet to packet security gateway 2 **402**. Packet security gateway 2 **402** may apply one or more of the rules in P_2 (*e.g.*, $\{\{I_1\}, \{I_2\}, \ldots, \{I_N\}\}$) to the packet and the packet may match the criteria specified by one of the rules in P_2 (*e.g.*, $\{\{I_7\}$). The rule may specify that an accept packet transformation function should be performed, and packet security gateway 2 **402** may utilize one or more of its packet transformation functions to perform the accept packet transformation function on the packet and forward the packet to network A **102**.

[0056] It will be appreciated that utilizing multiple packet security gateways in series to implement dynamic security policy constructs may increase performance and decrease memory resource requirements. For example, in the described scenario packet security gateway 1 **400** may have only been required to compare the packet to five rules and packet security gateway 2 **402** may have only been required to compare the packet to seven rules. In a worst case scenario, packet security gateway 1 **400** may have only been required to compare the packet to M rules and packet security gateway 2 **402** may have only been required to compare the packet to N rules. Moreover, the series configuration may enable packet security gateway 1 **400** to begin implementing P_1 with respect to a subsequently received packet, while packet security gateway 2 **402** simultaneously implements P_2 with respect to the packet forwarded by packet security gateway 1 **400**. Furthermore, the memory requirements for this scenario with packet security gateways in series may be comparable to M+N, whereas originally the combinatorially complete set of rules contained in a single packet security gateway may have required memory comparable to N*M.

[0057] FIG. 5 illustrates an exemplary security policy management server. Referring to FIG. 5, security policy management server **120** may include processor **500**, memory **502**, and network interface **504**. One or more of processor **500**, memory **502**, and network interface **504** may be interconnected via data bus **506**. Network interface **504** may interface security policy management server **120** with network E **110**. Memory **502** may include one or more program modules that when executed by processor **500**, configure security policy management server **120** to perform functions described herein. It will be appreciated that as used herein the term "server" designates one or more computing devices configured to perform one or more functions described herein. The term "server" should not be construed to imply that a client/server relationship (*e.g.*, a relationship in which a request is received from a client and then serviced by a server) necessarily exists.

[0058] Security policy management server **120** may be configured to communicate one or more dynamic security policies to one or more packet security gateways within network environment **100**. For example, security policy management server **120** may communicate one or more dynamic security policies stored in memory **502** to one or more of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118**. For example, security policy management server **120** may be configured to communicate one or more dynamic security policies to one or more of packet security gateways

112, **114**, **116**, and **118** on a periodic basis, under specified network conditions, whenever security policy management server **120** receives a new dynamic security policy, whenever a dynamic security policy stored on security policy management server **120** is changed or altered, or in response to a request from one or more of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118**.

[0059] Security policy management server **120** may also be configured to provide one or more administrators associated with security policy management server **120** with management interface **510**. For example, security policy management server **120** may be configured to provide one or more administrators with a Graphical User Interface (GUI) or Command Line Interface (CLI). An administrator of security policy management server **120** may utilize security policy management server **120**'s management interface **510** to configure security policy management server **120**. For example, an administrator may configure security policy management server **120** in order to associate security policy management server **120** with one or more of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118**. An administrator of security policy management server **120** may also utilize security policy management server **120**'s management interface **510** to construct one or more dynamic security policies or to load one or more dynamic security policies into security policy management server **120**'s memory **502**. For example, an administrator associated with security policy management server **120** may manually construct one or more dynamic security policies offline and then utilize security policy management server **120**'s management interface **510** to load such dynamic security policies into security policy management server **120**'s memory **502**.

[0060] In some embodiments, security policy management server **120** may be configured to add, remove, or alter one or more dynamic security policies stored in memory **502** based on information received from one or more devices within network environment **100**. For example, security policy management server **120**'s memory **502** may include a dynamic security policy having one or more rules that specify a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic. Security policy management server **120** may be configured to automatically create or alter one or more of such rules as new network addresses associated with malicious network traffic are determined. For example, security policy management server **120** may receive updates (*e.g.* as part of a subscription) from malicious host tracker service **508**. Malicious host tracker service **508** may aggregate information associated with malicious network

traffic and updates received from malicious host tracker service **508** may include one or more network addresses that have been determined to be associated with malicious network traffic. Security policy management server **120** may be configured to create or alter one or more rules included within a dynamic security policy associated with malicious host tracker service **508** to block traffic associated with the network addresses received from malicious host tracker service **508**. Additionally or alternatively, as indicated above, security policy management server **120** may be configured to create or alter one or more dynamic security policies, or one or more rules included in one or more dynamic security policies, to account for VoIP sessions being initiated or terminated by a network device within network environment **100**.

[0061] As indicated above, a dynamic security policy may include one or more rules, the combination of which may effectuate an implementation of a multi-dimensional routing service for performing a monitoring service within a network environment. FIG. 6 illustrates an exemplary network environment for implementing a monitoring service in accordance with one or more embodiments. Referring to FIG. 6, a user of network environment **100** (*e.g.*, a law enforcement or national security authority) may desire to obtain a copy of packets associated with one or more VoIP sessions (*e.g.*, sessions associated with SIP URI exampleuser@exampledomain.com) within network environment **100**. Because many SIP-signaled services are designed to address sessions dynamically, it may not be possible to determine, prior to a session being set up, a particular network address and port from which packets should be copied. Moreover, due to privacy concerns, regulators may require that only packets associated with the specified VoIP sessions (*e.g.*, sessions associated with SIP URI exampleuser@exampledomain.com) be copied.

[0062] For example, a user associated with SIP URI exampleuser@exampledomain.com may utilize User Equipment (UE) **600** within network A **102** to place a VoIP call to a user utilizing UE **602** within network B **104**. SIP switch **604** may be utilized by an operator of network A **102** for switching SIP signals within network A **102**. Similarly, SIP switch **606** may be utilized by an operator of network B **104** for switching SIP signals within network B **104**. One or more of SIP switches **604** and **606** may include an analysis application configured to monitor SIP signals and publish SIP messages associated with specified users to one or more subscribers. For example, the operator of network A **102** may have installed analysis application **610** on SIP switch **604** (*e.g.*,

accessed via a SIP IMS Service Control (ISC) interface associated with SIP switch **604**) and configured analysis application **610** to search for and publish SIP messages associated with SIP URI exampleuser@exampledomain.com to security policy management server **120**. Similarly, the operator of network B **104** may have installed analysis application **612** on SIP switch **606** and configured analysis application **612** to publish SIP messages associated with SIP URI exampleuser@exampledomain.com to security policy management server **120**.

[0063] When the user associated with SIP URI exampleuser@exampledomain.com utilizes UE **600** to place a VoIP call to the user utilizing UE **602**, analysis application **610** may detect one or more SIP signaling messages associated with the call (*e.g.*, SIP signaling messages for setting up the call) and publish the messages to security policy management server **120**. Security policy management server **120** may extract one or more network addresses and port numbers from the SIP signaling messages (*e.g.*, a network address and port number utilized by UE **600** for placing the VoIP call to UE **602**). Security policy management server **120** may utilize the extracted network addresses and port numbers to create a new dynamic security policy or alter one or more rules within an existing dynamic security policy. For example, security policy management server **120** may construct a new dynamic security policy that includes a rule specifying one of the extracted network addresses and port numbers, as well as a packet transformation function configured to route associated packets to monitoring device **608**. Security policy management server **120** may communicate the new or modified dynamic security policy to packet security gateway **112**.

[0064] When packets associated with the VoIP call between UE **600** and UE **602** are received by packet security gateway **112**, packet filter **214** may identify the packets as matching the criteria specified by the dynamic security policy received from security policy management server **120** (*e.g.*, packets addressed to or from the extracted address and port number) and may perform the packet transformation function configured to route the packets to monitoring device **608**. For example, the packet transformation function configured to route the packets to monitoring device **608** may be packet transformation function 2 **218**. When packet transformation function 2 **218** receives the packets from packet filter **214**, it may encapsulate them with an IP header having an address corresponding to monitoring device **608** and may then forward them to network E **110**. Once forwarded, the packets may be routed based on the address specified by the encapsulating

header, and may thus be communicated to monitoring device **608**. When the packets are received by monitoring device **608**, monitoring device **608** may copy the packets or data contained within them, and strip the encapsulating header from them. Monitoring device **608** may then forward the packets, without the encapsulating header, to network E **110**. Network E **110** may receive the packets forwarded by monitoring device **608** and may route them based on their destination address (*e.g.*, to UE **602**).

[0065] In some embodiments, packet security gateway **112** may be configured to perform multiple packet transformation functions on the packets associated with the VoIP call between UEs **600** and **602**. For example, packet filter **214** may identify the packets as matching the criteria specified by the dynamic security policy received from security policy management server **120** and may forward the packets to packet transformation functions 1 **216** and 2 **218**. Packet transformation function 1 **216** may be configured to forward the packets to their destination address (*e.g.*, to UE **602**) and packet transformation function 2 **218** may be configured to encapsulate the packets (or a copy of the packets) with an IP header having an address corresponding to monitoring device **608** and then forward the encapsulated packets to network E **110**. Once forwarded, the encapsulated packets may be routed based on the address specified by the encapsulating header, and may thus be communicated to monitoring device **608**, which may store the packets or data contained within them for subsequent review or analysis (*e.g.*, by a law enforcement or national security authority). In such embodiments, it may not be necessary for monitoring device **608** to strip the encapsulating header from the packets or route them based on their destination address (*e.g.*, to UE **602**) because packet transformation function 1 **216** may have already forwarded the packets to their destination address (*e.g.*, to UE **602**).

[0066] It will be appreciated that SIP switch **604**'s analysis application **610** may similarly detect SIP signaling associated with the termination of the VoIP call between UE **600** and UE **602** and may publish the SIP messages to security policy management server **120**. Security policy management server **120** may utilize one or more network addresses and port numbers within the messages to construct a new dynamic security policy or modify one or more rules within an existing dynamic security policy and communicate the new or modified dynamic security policy to packet security gateway **112** in order to ensure that future packets associated with the network address and port number but not associated with SIP URI exampleuser@exampledomain.com are

not routed to monitoring device **608**. Security policy management server **120** may communicate any dynamic security policy constructed or modified based on SIP messages to any of multiple packet security gateways (*e.g.*, packet security gateways **114** and **116**) within network environment **100** in order to ensure that all packets associated with the VoIP call between UE **600** and UE **602** are forwarded to monitoring device **608**.

[0067] FIG. 7 illustrates an exemplary network environment that includes a secured network having multiple boundaries with unsecured networks in which one or more embodiments may be implemented. Network environment **700** may include networks A – C **702**, **704**, and **706**. Networks A **702** and B **704** may be a LAN or WAN associated with an organization (*e.g.*, a company, university, enterprise, or government agency). One or more networks within network environment **700** may interface with one or more other networks within network environment **700**. For example, the organizations associated with networks A **702** and B **704** may subscribe to an ISP to provide interconnectivity between their respective networks or allow public access to their respective networks (*e.g.*, via the Internet). Each of networks A **702** and B **704** may be connected to network C **706**, which may be the ISP's network. The ISP may desire to offer an interconnection service between networks A **702** and B **704**, but may also want to enforce one or more dynamic security policies with respect to traffic traversing network C **706**.Accordingly, one or more packet security gateways may be located at each boundary between network A **702** and network C **706**, and each boundary between network B **704** and network C **706**. For example, packet security gateway **708** and packet security gateway **710** may be respectively located at first and second boundaries between networks A **702** and C **706**. Similarly, packet security gateways **712** and **714** may be respectively located at first and second boundaries between networks B **704** and C **706**. Each of packet security gateways **708**, **710**, **712**, and **714** may be associated with security policy management server **716**.

[0068] Security policy management server **716** may maintain one or more dynamic security policies configured for protecting network C **706**, and may be managed by the ISP associated with network C **706**. Security policy management server **716** may ensure that each of packet security gateways **708**, **710**, **712**, and **714** protect each of their respective boundaries with network C **706** in a uniform manner. For example, security policy management server **716** may be configured to communicate one or more dynamic security policies it maintains to each of packet security

gateways **708**, **710**, **712**, and **714** on a periodic basis, in response to being directed to by a network operator associated with network environment **700**, in response to detected network conditions (*e.g.*, an attack or high resource utilization), or in response to a request from one or more of packet security gateways **708**, **710**, **712**, or **714**.

[0069] In some embodiments, security policy management server **716** may be configured to communicate different dynamic security policies to one or more of packet security gateways **708**, **710**, **712**, and **714** based on, for example, their respective locations within network environment **700**. For example, security policy management server **716** may be configured to implement one or more anti-spoofing techniques (*e.g.*, ingress filtering or Best Current Practice (BCP) 38, as described by Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) Request For Comment (RFC) 2827) with respect to network environment **700**. Effective implementation of such techniques may require that a dynamic security policy be based on the location at which it is being implemented. For example, a dynamic security policy that implements ingress filtering may comprise one or more rules that filter based on a packet's source address, identifying packets having source addresses that could not possibly have originated from a network downstream of the ingress filtering point (*e.g.*, packets having spoofed source addresses). Such rules may vary depending on the boundary point for which they are implemented (*e.g.*, a packet for one boundary may be properly identified as spoofed, yet a packet having the same source address may be legitimate traffic at a different boundary point). Accordingly, security policy management server **716** may be configured to communicate different dynamic security policies to one or more of packet security gateways **708**, **710**, **712**, and **714** based on their respective locations within network environment **700**. For example, security policy management server **716** may communicate a dynamic security policy to packet security gateways **708** and **710** that includes one or more rules for performing ingress filtering for network A **702** (*e.g.*, for identifying packets having source addresses that could not have originated within network A **702**) and a different dynamic security policy to packet security gateways **712** and **714** that includes one or more rules for performing ingress filtering for network B **704** (*e.g.*, for identifying packets having source addresses that could not have originated within network B **704**).

[0070] It will be appreciated that by maintaining uniform dynamic security policies at each boundary between networks A **702** and C **706**, as well as at each boundary between networks B

704 and C **706**, security policy management server **716** and packet security gateways **708**, **710**, **712**, and **714** may aid the ISP associated with network C **706** in protecting network C **706** from network attacks.

[0071] FIG. 8 illustrates an exemplary network environment that includes multiple distinct secured networks in which one or more embodiments may be implemented. Referring to FIG. 8, network environment **800** may include networks A **802**, B **804**, and C **806**. Each of networks A **802** and B **804** may interface with network C **806** at multiple boundaries within network environment **800**. Packet security gateways **808** and **810** may be respectively located at first and second boundaries between networks A **802** and C **806**. Similarly, packet security gateways **812** and **814** may be respectively located at first and second boundaries between networks B **804** and C **806**.

[0072] Network A **802** and B **804** may both be associated with a common organization (*e.g.*, a company, university, enterprise, or government agency), or may each be associated with a distinct organization. In the former case, the common organization may desire to utilize one or more dynamic security policies with respect to network A **802** and one or more different dynamic security policies with respect to network B **804**. In the latter case, an organization associated with network A **802** may desire to utilize one or more dynamic security policies with respect to network A **802** and a different organization associated with network B **804** may desire to utilize one or more different dynamic security policies with respect to network B **804**. Network environment **800** may include security policy management servers A **816** and B **818**. Security policy management server A **816** may be associated with network A **802** and may maintain one or more dynamic security policies configured for protecting network A **802**. Similarly, security policy management server B **818** may be associated with network B **804** and may maintain one or more dynamic security policies configured for protecting network B **804**.

[0073] Packet security gateways **808** and **810** may be associated with security policy management server A **816**. Similarly, packet security gateways **812** and **814** may be associated with security policy management server B **818**. Security policy management server A **816** may ensure that packet security gateways **808** and **810** protect each of their respective boundaries with network C **806** in a uniform manner. For example, security policy management server A **816** may be configured to communicate one or more dynamic security policies it maintains to packet

security gateways **808** and **810** on a periodic basis, in response to being directed to by a network operator associated with network A **802**, in response to detected network conditions (*e.g.*, an attack or high resource utilization), or in response to a request from packet security gateway **808** or **810**. Similarly, security policy management server B **818** may ensure that packet security gateways **812** and **814** protect each of their respective boundaries with network C **806** in a uniform manner. For example, security policy management server B **818** may be configured to communicate one or more dynamic security policies it maintains to packet security gateways **812** and **814** on a periodic basis, in response to being directed to by a network operator associated with network B **804**, in response to detected network conditions (*e.g.*, an attack or high resource utilization), or in response to a request from packet security gateway **812** or **814**. By utilizing distinct security policy management servers (*e.g.*, security policy management servers A **816** and B **818**), one or more operators associated with distinct networks (*e.g.*, networks A **802** and B **804**) may maintain uniform dynamic security policies at each boundary of their respective networks, while simultaneously enabling different dynamic security policies to be maintained for each network. Similarly, by utilizing distinct security policy management servers (*e.g.*, security policy management servers A **816** and B **818**), one or more operators associated with a single organization that desires to maintain distinct networks (*e.g.*, networks A **802** and B **804**) may maintain uniform dynamic security policies at each boundary of their distinct networks, while simultaneously enabling different dynamic security policies to be maintained for each network.

[0074] FIG. 9 illustrates an exemplary secure LAN environment protected in accordance with one or more aspects of the disclosure. Referring to FIG. 9, network environment **900** may be a LAN, including hosts A **902**, B **904**, and C **906**. It may also include LAN switch **908**. LAN switch **908** may be configured to switch network traffic (*e.g.*, packets) between one or more of hosts A **902**, B **904**, and C **906**. For example, LAN switch **908** may include a switching matrix configured to switch packets received from one or more of hosts A **902**, B **904**, and C **906** to one or more of hosts A **902**, B **904**, and C **906**. LAN switch **908** may be associated with packet security gateway **910**, and network environment **900** may include security policy management server **912**.

[0075] In some embodiments, packet security gateway **910** may be embedded within LAN switch **908**. Alternatively, packet security gateway **910** may be a device distinct from LAN switch **908**, and LAN switch **908** may be configured to route network traffic through packet security

gateway **910** (*e.g.*, by modifying LAN switch **908**'s switching matrix). Packet security gateway **910** may be configured to receive one or more dynamic security policies from security policy management server **912**. The dynamic security policies received from security policy management server **912** may include one or more rules specifying criteria associated with one or more of hosts A **902**, B **904**, and C **906**, and may further specify one or more packet transformation functions to be performed on packets matching the specified criteria. Packet security gateway **910** may identify packets matching one or more of the criteria specified by the rules and may perform the associated packet transformation functions on the identified packets. By utilizing packet security gateway **910** within network environment **900**, an operator of network environment **900** may be able to protect network environment **900** from network attacks, as well as implement one or more services (*e.g.*, blocklist service, allowlist service, VoIP firewall service, phased restoration service, enqueueing service, multi-dimensional routing service, or monitoring service) within network environment **900**. Network environment **900** may include multiple LAN switches with embedded or associated packet security gateways, each of the packet security gateways configured to receive one or more dynamic security policies from security policy management server **912**.

[0076] FIG. 10 illustrates an exemplary method for protecting a secured network in accordance with one or more embodiments. The steps may be performed at each of one or more packet security gateways associated with a security policy management server. For example, each of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118** may be associated with security policy management server **120**, and the steps may be performed at each of packet security gateways **112**, **114**, **116**, and **118**. At step **1000**, a dynamic security policy is received from the security policy management server. For example, packet security gateway **112** may receive dynamic security policy **300** from security policy management server **120**. At step **1002**, packets associated with a network protected by each respective packet security gateway are received. For example, packet security gateway **112** may receive UDP packets from a device within network E **110** having an address that begins with 150 and that are destined for port 3030 of a device within network A **102**. At step **1004**, a packet transformation function specified by the dynamic security policy is performed on the packets. For example, rule **308** of dynamic security policy **300** may specify that packets using the UDP protocol, coming from a source address that begins with 150, having any source port, destined for any address, and destined for port 3030 should have an accept packet transformation function

performed on them, packet filter **214** may identify the UDP packets received from the device within network E **110** as matching the criteria specified by rule **308**, packet transformation function 1 **216** may be configured to forward packets, and packet security gateway **112** may utilize packet transformation function 1 **216** to perform the accept packet transformation function specified by rule **308** on the UDP packets received from the device within network E **110**.

[0077] The functions and steps described herein may be embodied in computer-usable data or computer-executable instructions, such as in one or more program modules, executed by one or more computers or other devices to perform one or more functions described herein. Generally, program modules include routines, programs, objects, components, data structures, etc. that perform particular tasks or implement particular abstract data types when executed by one or more processors in a computer or other data processing device. The computer-executable instructions may be stored on a computer-readable medium such as a hard disk, optical disk, removable storage media, solid state memory, RAM, etc. As will be appreciated, the functionality of the program modules may be combined or distributed as desired in various embodiments. In addition, the functionality may be embodied in whole or in part in firmware or hardware equivalents, such as integrated circuits, application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs), field programmable gate arrays (FPGA), and the like. Particular data structures may be used to more effectively implement one or more aspects of the disclosure, and such data structures are contemplated to be within the scope of computer executable instructions and computer-usable data described herein.

[0078] Although not required, one of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that various aspects described herein may be embodied as a method, an apparatus, or as one or more computer-readable media storing computer-executable instructions. Accordingly, those aspects may take the form of an entirely hardware embodiment, an entirely software embodiment, an entirely firmware embodiment, or an embodiment combining software, hardware, and firmware aspects in any combination.

[0079] As described herein, the various methods and acts may be operative across one or more computing servers and one or more networks. The functionality may be distributed in any manner, or may be located in a single computing device (*e.g.*, a server, a client computer, etc.).

[0080] Aspects of the disclosure have been described in terms of illustrative embodiments thereof. Numerous other embodiments, modifications, and variations within the scope and spirit of the appended claims will occur to persons of ordinary skill in the art from a review of this disclosure. For example, one of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate that the steps illustrated in the illustrative figures may be performed in other than the recited order, and that one or more steps illustrated may be optional.

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, the method comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway and from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

6. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

8. A packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, comprising:

one or more processors; and

memory storing instructions that, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the packet security gateway to:

receive, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service;

perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receive, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the malicious host tracker service; and

perform, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security

gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

9. The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information.

10. The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

11. The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

12. The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

13. The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein the instructions further cause the packet security gateway to:

receive packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

perform the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

14. The packet security gateway of claim 8, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

15. One or more non-transitory computer readable media storing instructions that, when executed by at least one processor, cause a packet security gateway, of a plurality of packet security gateways that collectively provide an entire interface across a boundary of a network protected by the packet security gateway and one or more networks other than the network protected by the packet security gateway, to perform steps comprising:

receiving, from a security policy management server external from the network protected by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules to be applied to all network traffic traversing the boundary, wherein:

each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and

one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets corresponding to network traffic traversing the boundary via the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules by performing

at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the second set of packet filtering rules on the second portion of packets.

16. The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information.

17. The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic, and wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

18. The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

19. The computer readable media of claim 15, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

20. The computer readable media of claim 15, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

21. A method of filtering packets at a packet security gateway configured for protection of a network and associated with a security policy management server external from the network, the method comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy comprising a first set of packet filtering rules from the security policy management server, wherein each packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules comprises at least one packet matching criterion and a corresponding packet transformation function, and wherein one or more first packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules were automatically created or altered by the security policy management server based on malicious traffic information received from a malicious host tracker service;

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a first portion of packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway based on the first set of packet filtering rules by performing at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets;

receiving, by the packet security gateway and after performing packet filtering on the first portion of the packets, an updated second set of packet filtering rules for the dynamic security policy from the security policy management server, wherein the updated second set of packet filtering rules comprises an update to the one or more first packet filtering rules created or altered by the security policy management server based on updated malicious traffic information received from the malicious host tracker service; and

performing, on a packet by packet basis, packet filtering on a second portion of the packets associated with the network protected by the packet security gateway based on the updated second set of packet filtering rules.

22. The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one packet matching criterion corresponding to the one or more first packet filtering rules automatically created or altered by the security policy management server comprises at least one network address indicated by the malicious traffic information.

23. The method of claim 21, wherein the malicious host tracker service comprises a subscription service that aggregates information associated with malicious network traffic.

24. The method of claim 21, wherein the malicious traffic information comprises a list of network addresses known to be associated with malicious network traffic.

25. The method of claim 21, wherein at least one packet transformation function comprises a network protective action.

26. The method of claim 21, further comprising:

receiving, by the packet security gateway, packets in a network layer transparent manner using an interface that is not addressed at the network layer; and

performing the at least one packet transformation function specified by at least one packet filtering rule of the first set of packet filtering rules on the first portion of packets at the network layer.

27. The method of claim 21, wherein one or more packet filtering rules of the first set of packet filtering rules specify a packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the corresponding packets.

Abstract

Methods and systems for protecting a secured network are presented. For example, one or more packet security gateways may be associated with a security policy management server. At each packet security gateway, a dynamic security policy may be received from the security policy management server, packets associated with a network protected by the packet security gateway may be received, and at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by the dynamic security policy may be performed on the packets. Performing the at least one of multiple packet transformation functions specified by the dynamic security policy on the packets may include performing at least one packet transformation function other than forwarding or dropping the packets.

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