

**NAME**

**sc\_erosprober** — scamper driver to periodically probe addresses and rotate output files.

**SYNOPSIS**

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sc_erosprober [-a addrfile] [-c command] [-I interval] [-l logfile]  
                [-o outfile] [-O option] [-p port] [-R rotation] [-U unix]
```

**DESCRIPTION**

The **sc\_erosprober** utility provides the ability to connect to a running `scamper(1)` instance and use it to periodically probe a set of addresses at a defined interval, and periodically rotate the output file at a defined interval. The supported options to **sc\_erosprober** are as follows:

- a** *addrfile*  
specifies the name of the input file which consists of a sequence of IP addresses to probe, one address per line.
- c** *command*  
specifies the command to use with each address. **sc\_erosprober** supports the trace and ping commands, and their options, in scamper. `scamper(1)` documents the options available in trace and ping.
- I** *interval*  
specifies the probe interval, in seconds, between probing each address. **sc\_erosprober** will spread the probing of the addresses across the interval. If there are 10 addresses to probe at an interval of 20 seconds, then **sc\_erosprober** will issue a command every two seconds.
- l** *logfile*  
specifies the name of a file to log progress output from **sc\_erosprober** generated at run time.
- o** *outfile*  
specifies the prefix of the name of the output file to be written. The output file will use the `warts(5)` format. **sc\_erosprober** will create a sequence of files named using the prefix and a timestamp.
- O** *options*  
allows the behavior of **sc\_erosprober** to be further tailored. The current choices for this option are:
  - noshuffle**: do not shuffle the order of addresses before probing starts.
  - nooutfile**: do not write to warts files, just do the probing.
- p** *port*  
specifies the port on the local host where `scamper(1)` is accepting control socket connections.
- R** *rotation*  
specifies the rotation interval, in seconds, between rotating output files.
- U** *unix*  
specifies the name of a unix domain socket where `scamper(1)` is accepting control socket connections.

**EXAMPLES**

Given a set of IPv4 and IPv6 addresses contained in a file named `addrs` and a scamper process listening at `sock` configured to probe at 100 packets per second started as follows:

```
scamper -U sock -p 100
```

the following command will ping the addresses every two minutes using one packet, and create an output file every thirty seconds prefixed with foo:

```
sc_erosprober -U sock -a addr -o foo -I 120 -R 30 -c 'ping -c 1'
```

The following command will traceroute towards the addresses every 15 minutes, creating an output file every minute:

```
sc_erosprober -U sock -a addr -o foo -I 900 -R 60 -c 'trace'
```

**SEE ALSO**

scamper(1), sc\_wartsdump(1), sc\_warts2text(1), sc\_warts2json(1), warts(5)

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