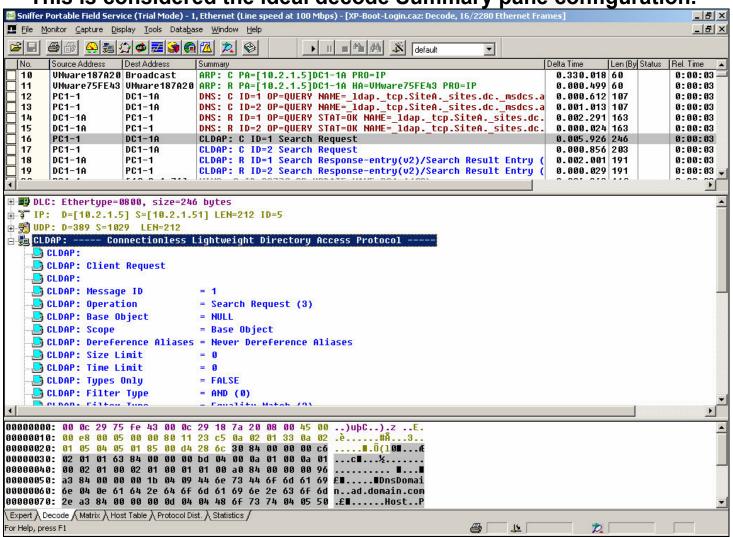
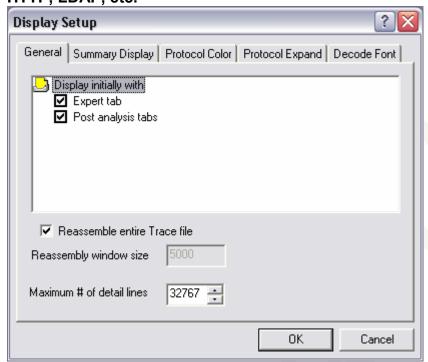
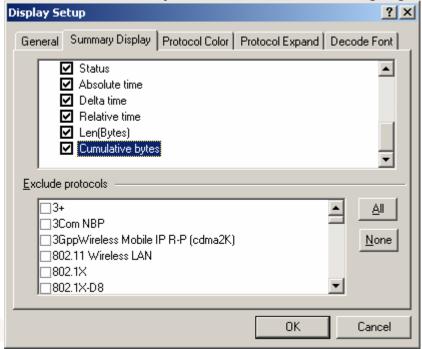
This is considered the ideal decode Summary pane configuration.



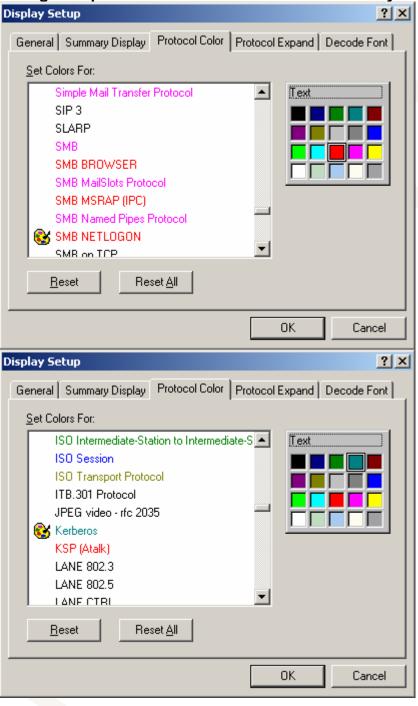
Reassemble Entire Trace File will eliminate line-by-line paging of frames in a very large trace. Increase Maximum Number of Detail Lines displayed in decode Detail pane: important with HTTP, LDAP, etc.

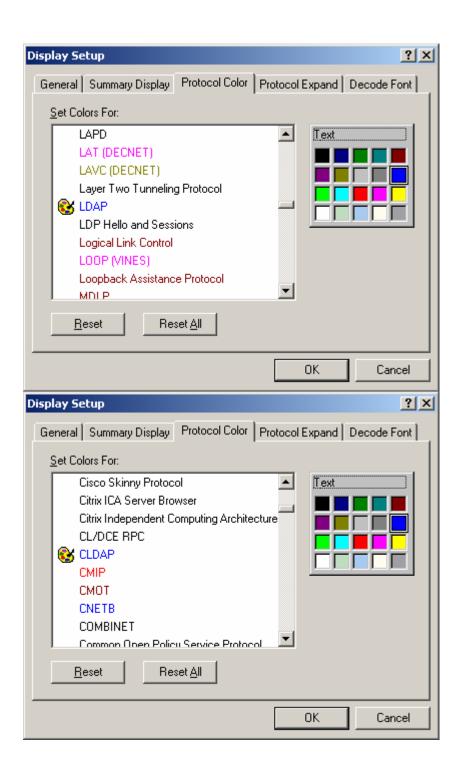


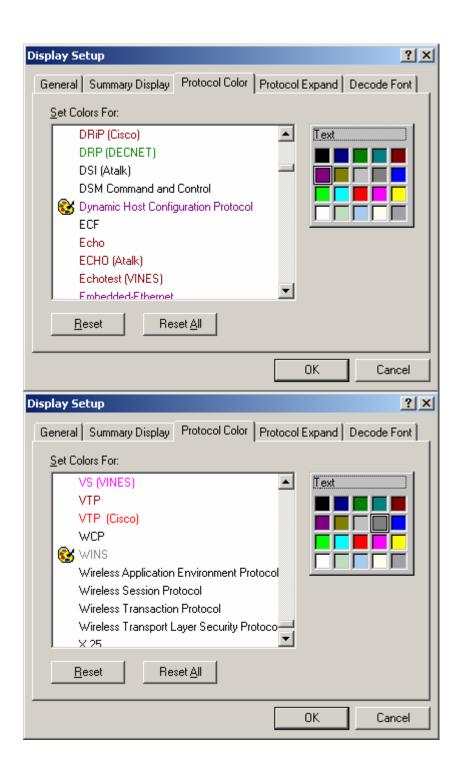
Enable Cumulative Bytes used with the Mark to gauge file transfer performance.

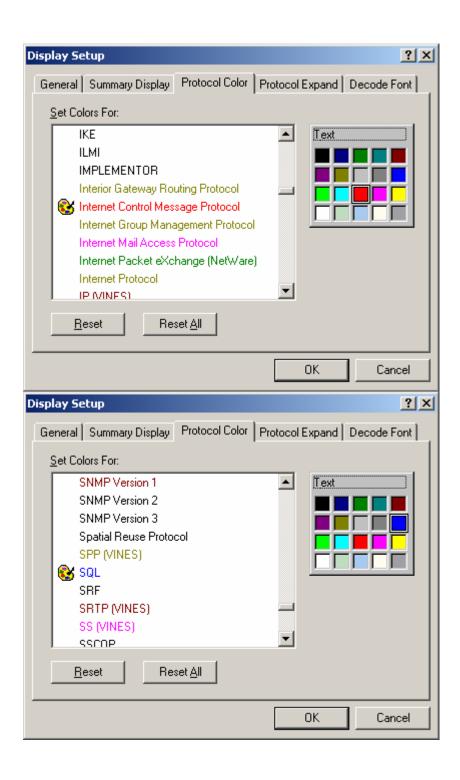


Change the protocol colors to ones that will visually stand out amongst its peers:

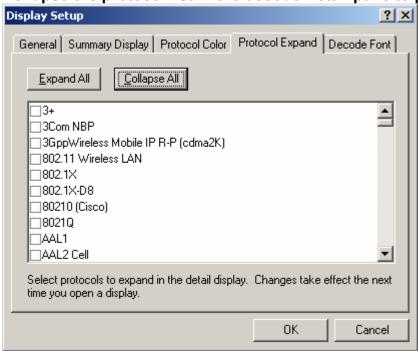




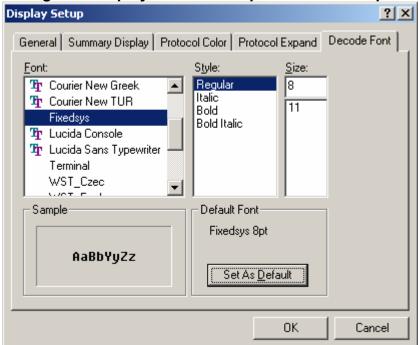




Collapse the protocol list in the decode Detail pane to permit faster viewing.

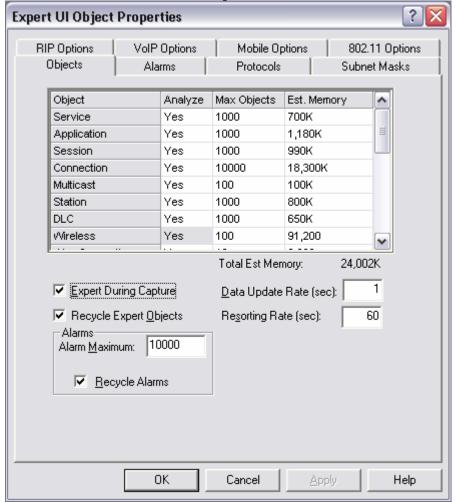


Change the display font to a crisper one that will permit longer viewing times. Set as Default.

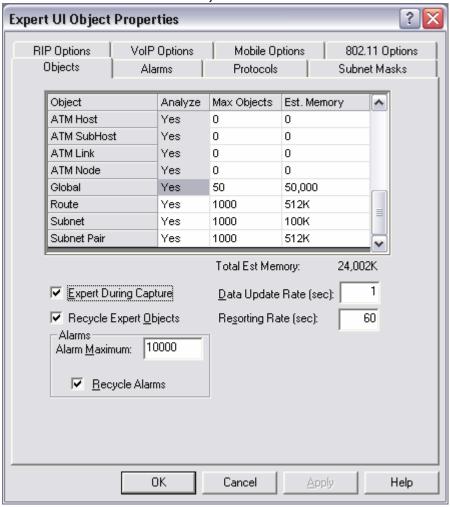


Zero out the Wireless, WAN, and ATM *Max Objects* if you're Sniffing Ethernet. Wireless has been left at 100 below because this user opens Wireless traces on occasion. Decrease Class D Multicasts to 100, too. No point in wasting memory on resources that will probably not be used to their maximum.

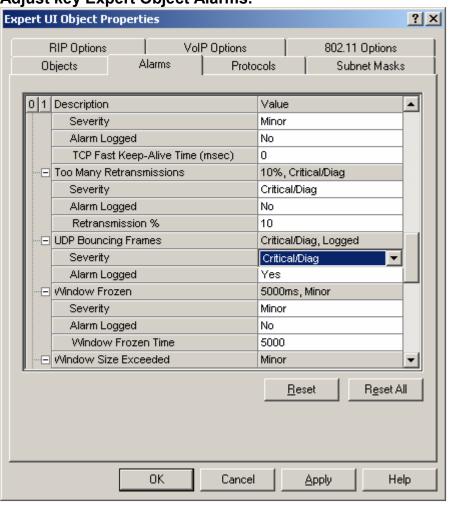
Increase Connection Max Objects to at least 5000. Increase to 10,000 on Infinistream.

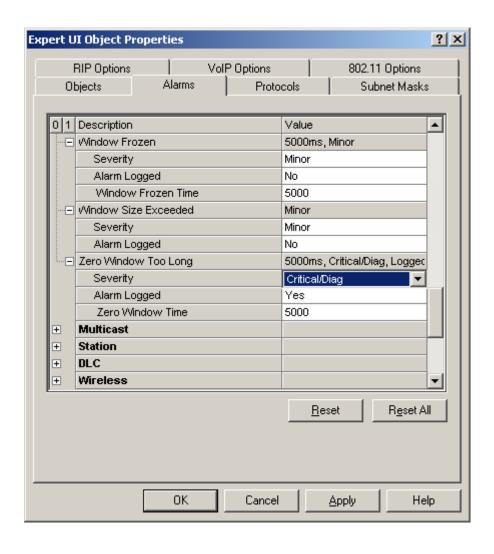


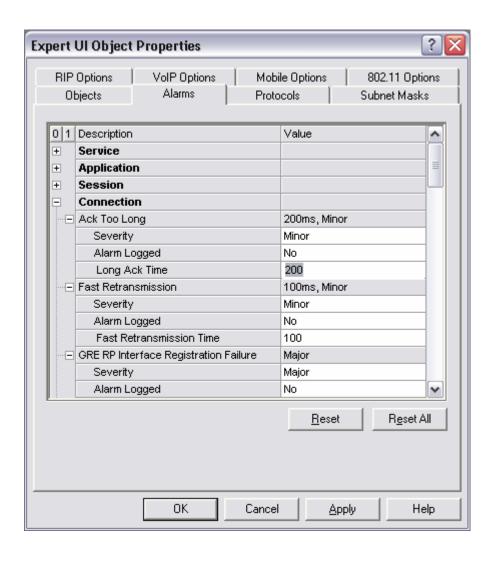
Increase *Alarms Maximum* to at least 3000, especially if you're capturing from a Distribution or Core switch. Increase to 10,000 on Infinistream.



Adjust key Expert Object Alarms.

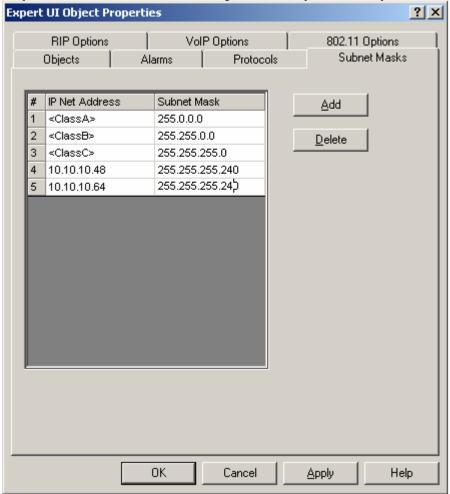




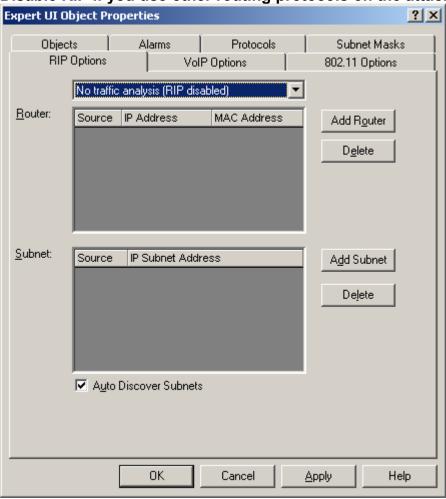


Add the subnet mask(s) only for the subnet you are attached to or SPANning/mirroring. Five symptoms and diagnoses are dependent upon the correct subnet mask(s) for the attached network.

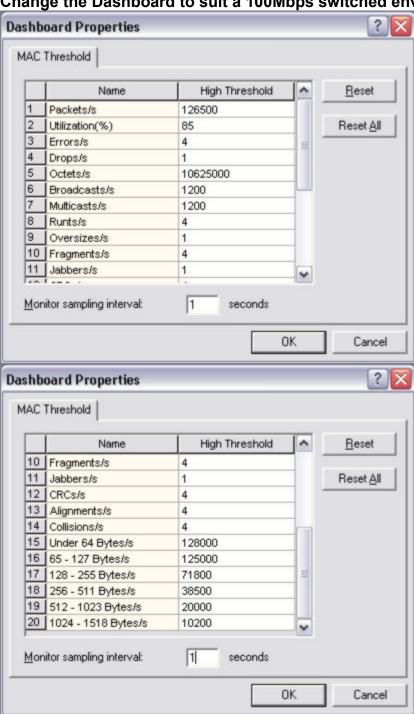
Expert Overview's Subnet Objects is dependent upon this configuration, too.



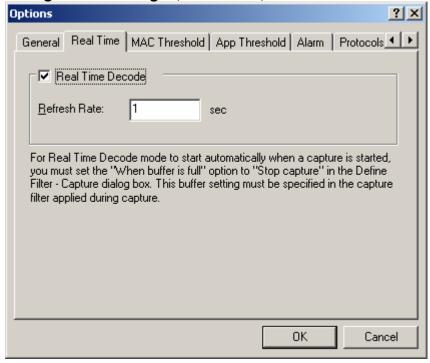
Disable RIP if you use other routing protocols on the attached network segment.



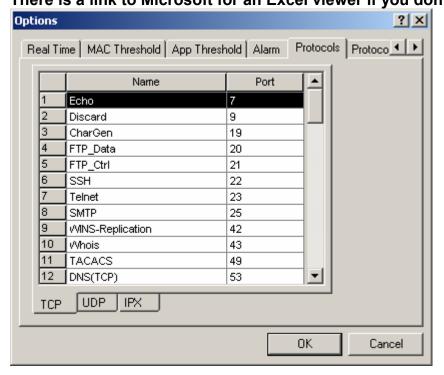
Change the Dashboard to suit a 100Mbps switched environment.

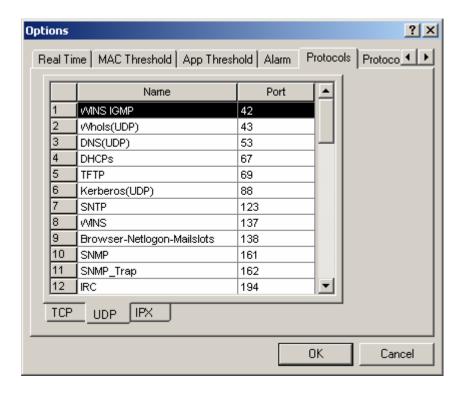


Enable Real Time decodes if you need to see immediately see the results of your network configuration changes, otherwise, disable to save CPU cycles.



Replace the existing UDP/TCP protocols list with a more comprehensive one using weblink http://www.networkhorizons.com/08-Analyzer Tweaks/Protocols/Protocols.xls
There is a link to Microsoft for an Excel viewer if you don't have Excel.





Increase the minimum capture filter *Buffer Size* to 63MB from 8MB (max 384MB. Want more? use Infinistream).

Set When Buffer is Full to Stop Capture if troubleshooting, set to Wrap Buffer if running continuously.

