



## Press Release

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## SENSORY NETWORKS DELIVERS ACCELERATION SOLUTION FOR SPAMASSASSIN™ ANTISPAM SECURITY APPLICATION

*NodalCore® technology boosts SpamAssassin performance up to 500 times and scans up to 1.6 million email messages per hour*

**INTEROP CONFERENCE, Las Vegas, Nev. – May 2, 2006** – Sensory Networks, the leader in acceleration technology for network security applications, today announced NodalCore acceleration for Apache SpamAssassin, an industry-leading open-source spam filter. Sensory boosts SpamAssassin's performance up to 500 times, scanning up to 1.6 million email messages per hour.

Run by the non-profit Apache Software Foundation, SpamAssassin is one of the security industry's main spam-filters used by businesses and individuals worldwide. The Sensory solution drops invisibly into existing SpamAssassin installations and instantly boosts performance by up to 500 times – no integration work is required. An appliance running NodalCore accelerated SpamAssassin can scan up to 1.6 million email messages an hour. To take advantage of these performance gains, security appliance vendors using SpamAssassin can simply install a PCI card and packages from Sensory Networks.

"Email spam is becoming a bigger problem and often tied to phishing scams, so it is important to provide an effective solution that can keep up with more sophisticated threats," said Justin Mason, creator of SpamAssassin and project management committee member for Apache's SpamAssassin project. "With NodalCore-accelerated SpamAssassin, security appliance vendors can now deliver an effective anti-spam solution without slowing down performance or experiencing any system interruptions."

NodalCore-accelerated SpamAssassin can support up to 10 million entries with Sensory's C-2000 card, a capacity unmatched in the industry today. Standard spam-filtering performance degrades as rules are added – unlike the NodalCore solution where performance increases with additional rules. In the Sensory solution, all rules are evaluated at the same time, making it more likely that an email message will trigger a rule and the message will be quickly classified as spam. The patent-pending algorithms used in NodalCore accelerated SpamAssassin turn this classic spam-filtering weakness into a strength.

"No one likes spam and it is a security issue that organizations and individuals deal with daily. However all anti-spam solutions have the same challenge: more filtering rules equals greater accuracy but slower performance," said Sab Gosal, VP of marketing at Sensory Networks. "By accelerating SpamAssassin with Sensory's NodalCore technology, security appliance vendors can deliver high-performance, accurate anti-spam filtering to their customers. No other vendor can provide an easier, faster or more effective acceleration solution for SpamAssassin."

### About Sensory Networks

Sensory Networks is a leading OEM provider of high performance network security acceleration technology. The company's NodalCore® hardware acceleration products include a broad range of chipsets, accelerated software libraries, PCI acceleration cards and appliance platforms for Antivirus, Antispam, Antispyware,

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Content Filtering, Firewalls and Intrusion Detection/Prevention systems. Sensory's products allow application developers and network equipment vendors to build higher performance, more accurate, broader coverage network security products without the substantial cost and risk associated with development of specialized hardware. Headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., Sensory Networks has regional offices in London, Sydney and Beijing. For more information, visit [www.sensorynetworks.com](http://www.sensorynetworks.com)

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