

## Guide for Analyzing HTTPS/TLS Traffic with Wireshark

Due to the recent policy changes of [odtuyayincilik.com.tr](http://odtuyayincilik.com.tr), it is not possible to establish an unsecure HTTP connection to the website. As some of you have noticed, Wireshark by default is not able to decrypt the traffic and simply shows the raw TLS data.

Fortunately, by making your browser export the required encryption keys, we can configure the Wireshark to show the decrypted **HTTP/2** (note the version 2 here) traffic. For this to work, we need to first tell our browser to which file it should export the keys.

**Note:** I have tested this approach with recent versions of Firefox and Google Chrome both on Windows 10 and Linux, so it should work in general. However, I have read that certain old versions of Firefox may not support this. In that case, either temporarily switch to Google Chrome or update your Firefox.

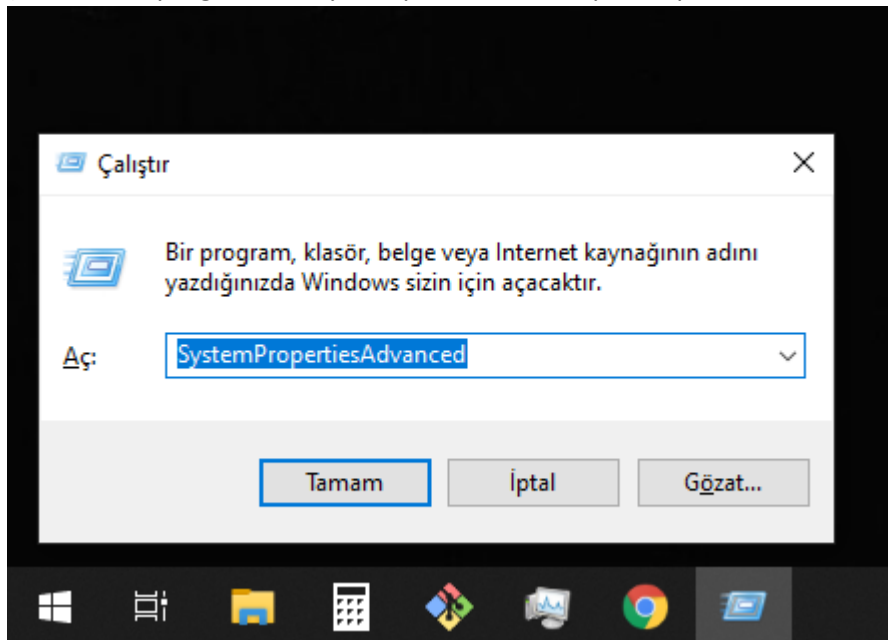
### Configuring the Environment Variables

*For Ubuntu or similar Linux, do the following:*

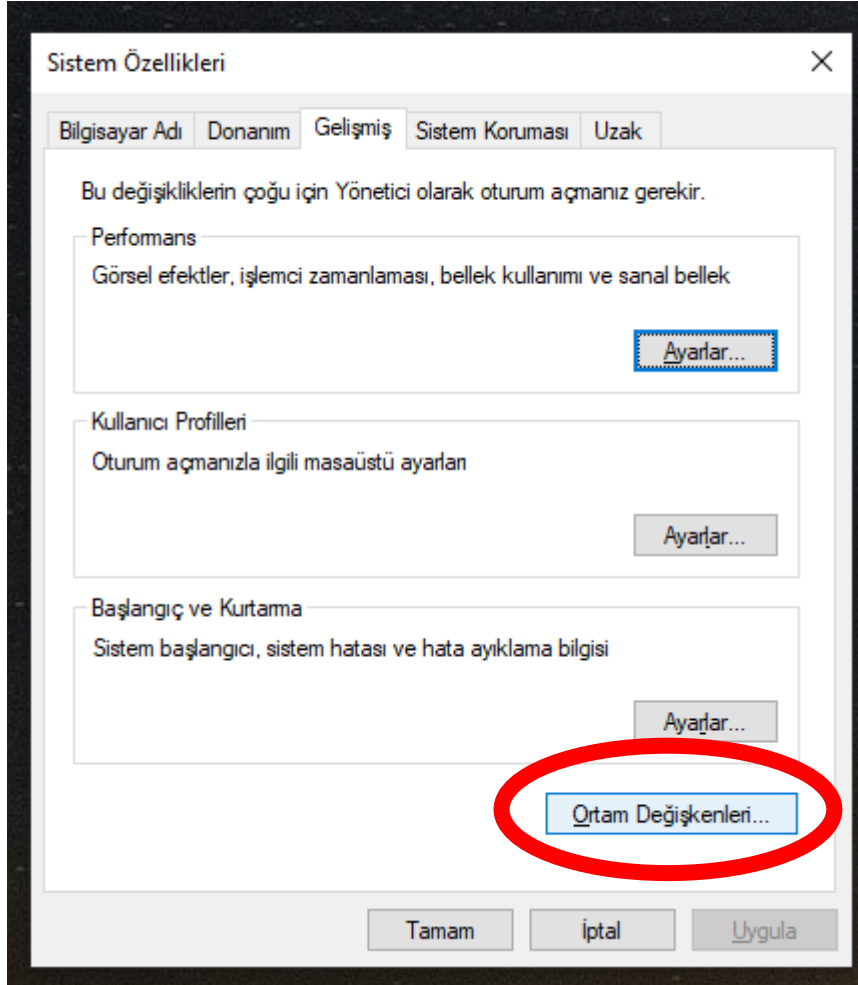
1. **\$ nano ~/.bashrc**
2. Append to the end of the file: **export SSLKEYLOGFILE=~/.sslkeylog.pms**

*If you are on Windows (same procedure for 7, 8, 8.1, and 10), do the following:*

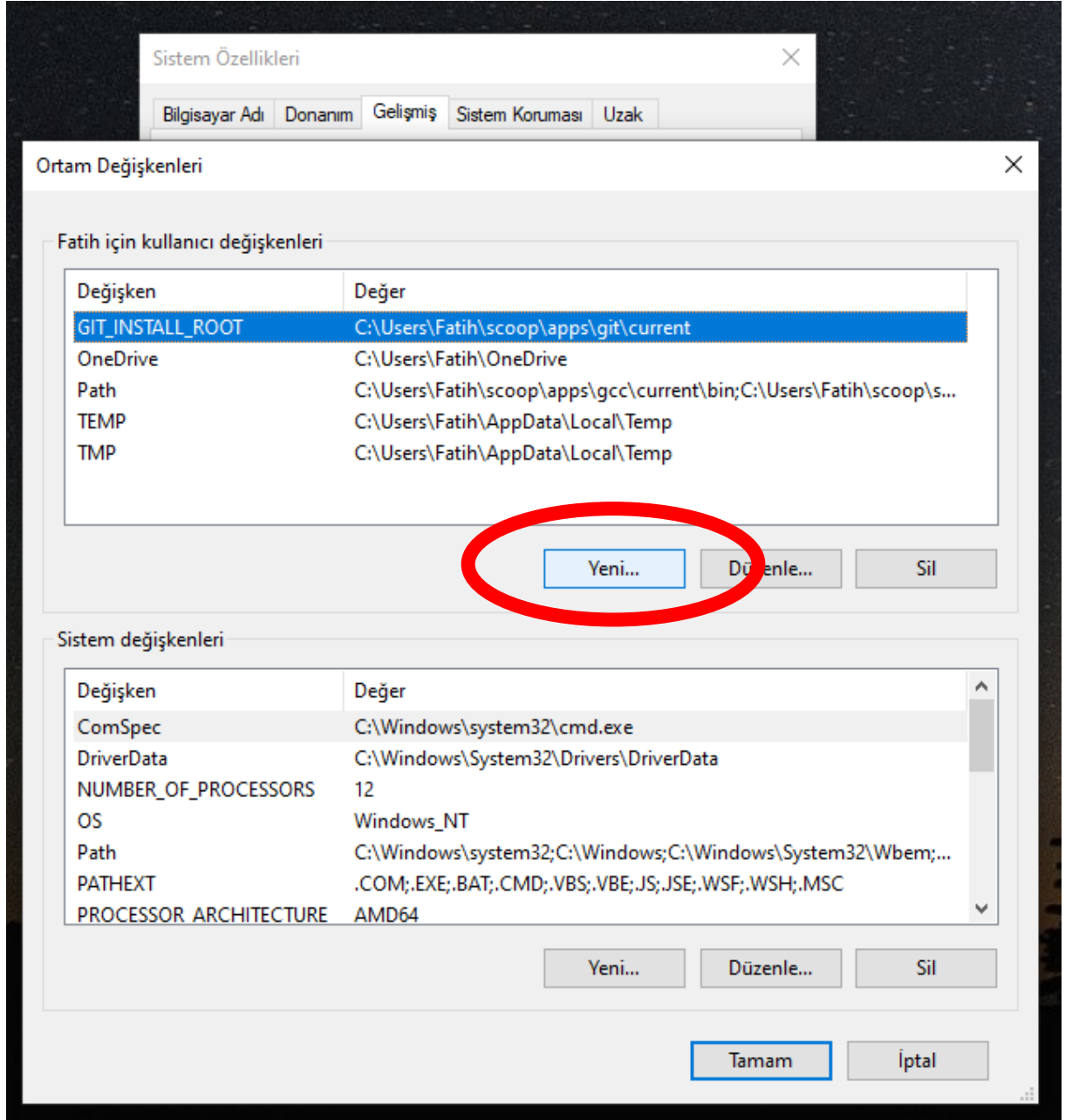
- 1) Press **Win + R** to open the Run dialog (or search for Run from start menu). Type **"SystemPropertiesAdvanced"** to open the advanced system properties window. (Alternatively, right click My Computer on desktop > Properties > Advances System Settings)



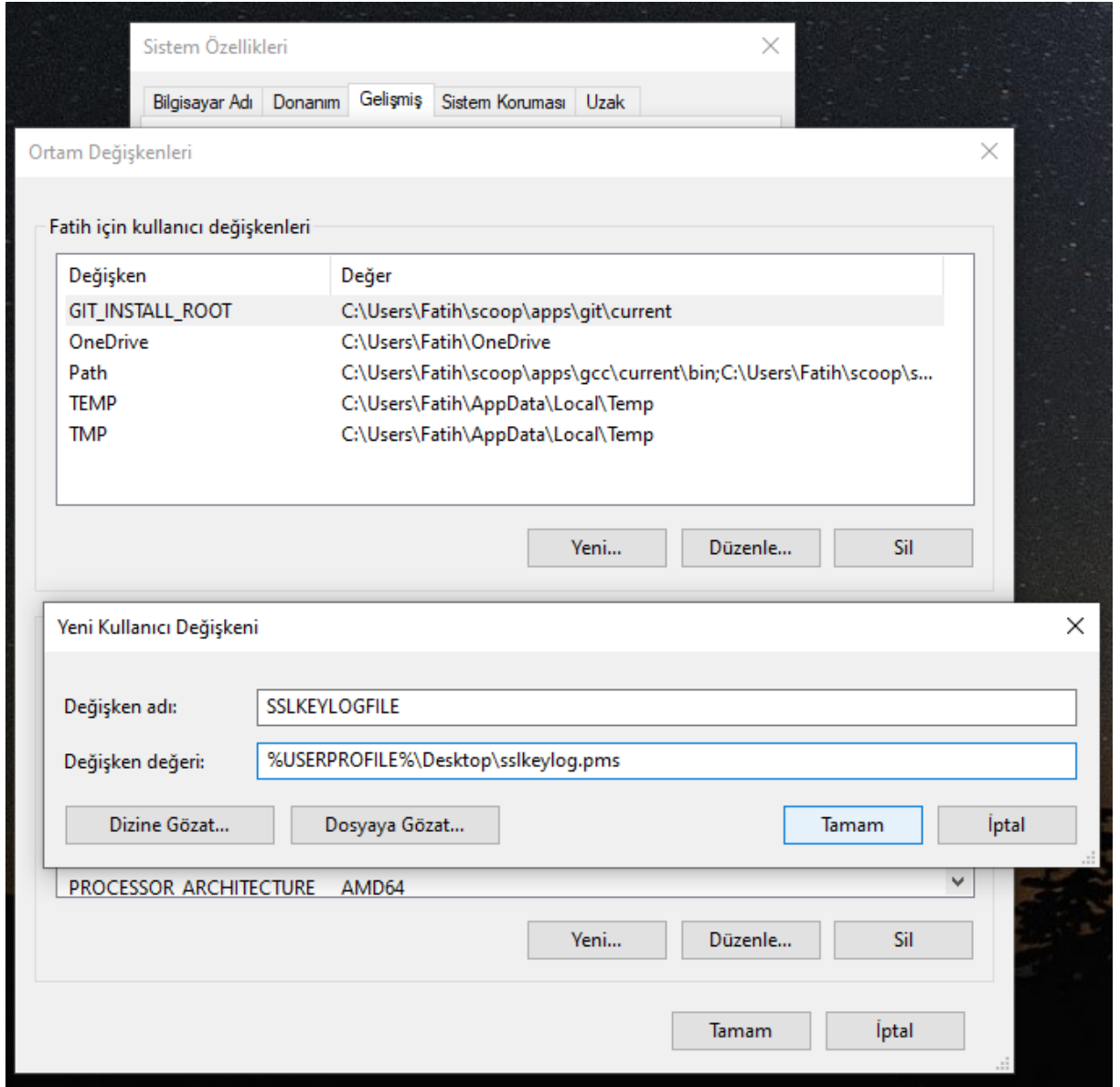
- 2) Click “**Environment Variables**” on the System Properties window.



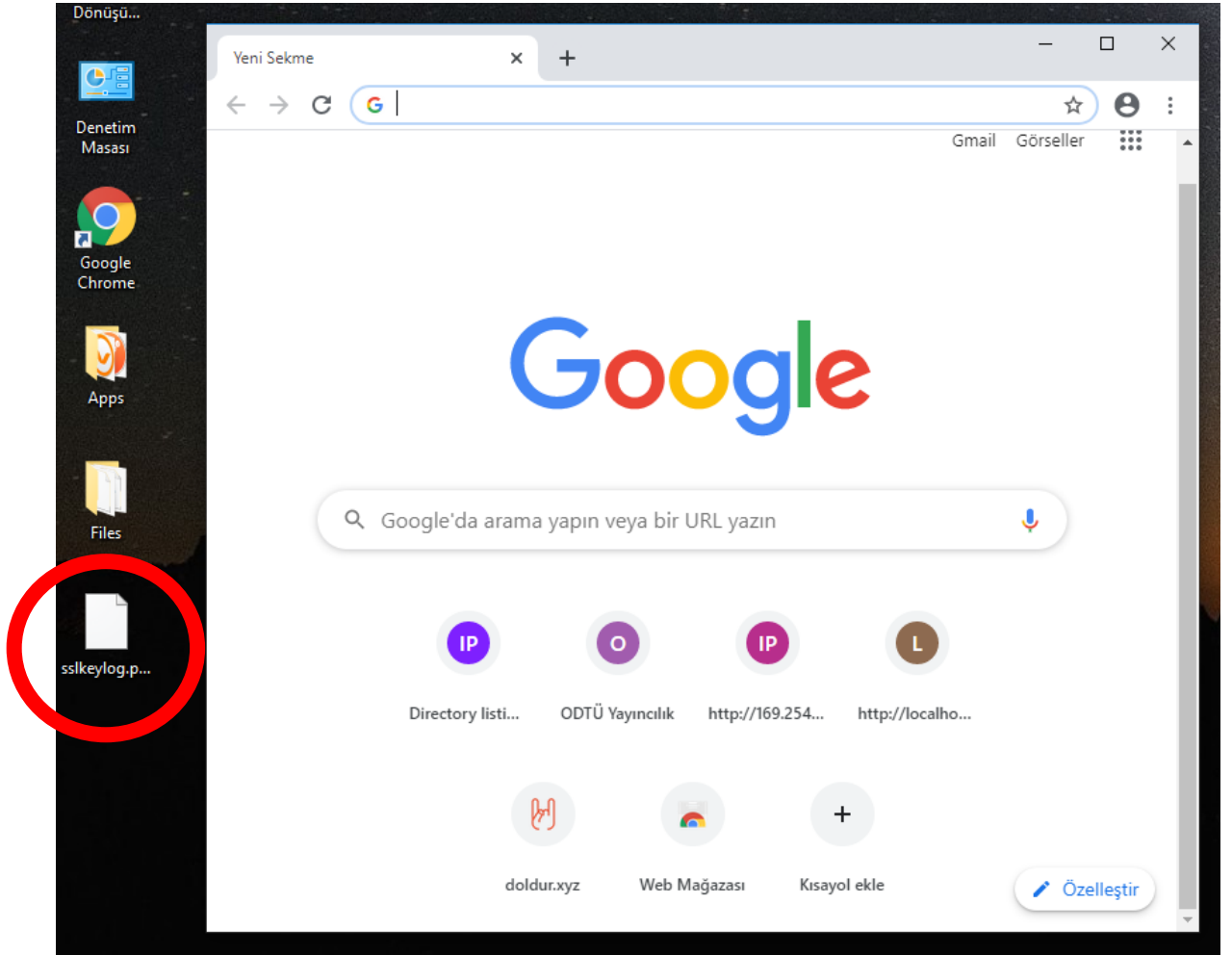
3) Click “New...” in user environment variables panel



- 4) Fill in the details for the new environment variable:
- Variable Name: SSLKEYLOGFILE
  - Variable Value: %USERPROFILE%\Desktop\sslkeylog.pms
    - %USERPROFILE% will resolve to something like "C:\Users\<username>"
    - This could be any other path you have the permission to write to



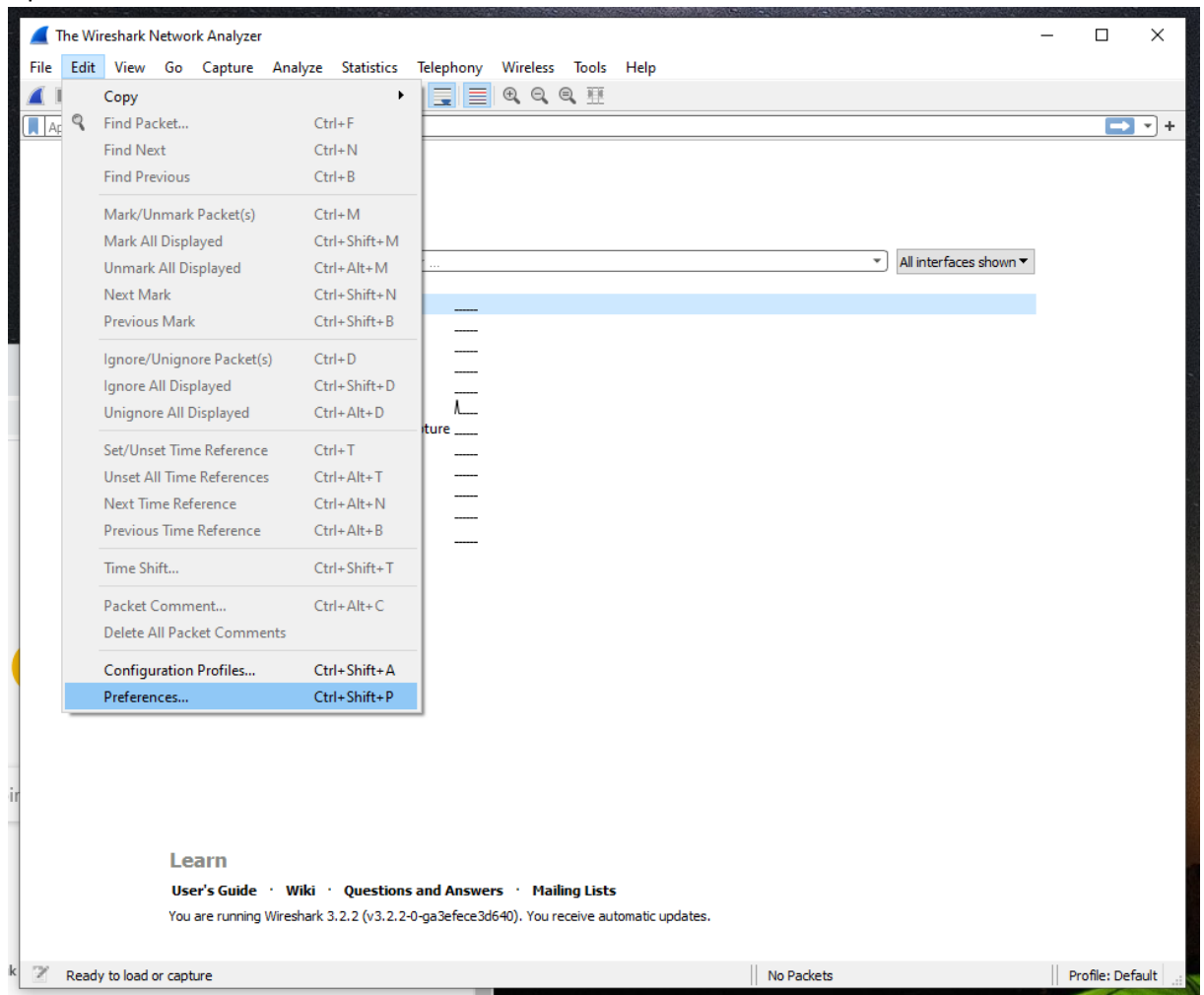
- 5) Run the browser. Firefox, Google Chrome or any other decent browser (Opera also uses the chromium engine) will respect this environment variable. You should see the “sslkeylog.pms” file created on your desktop (or wherever you set it to).



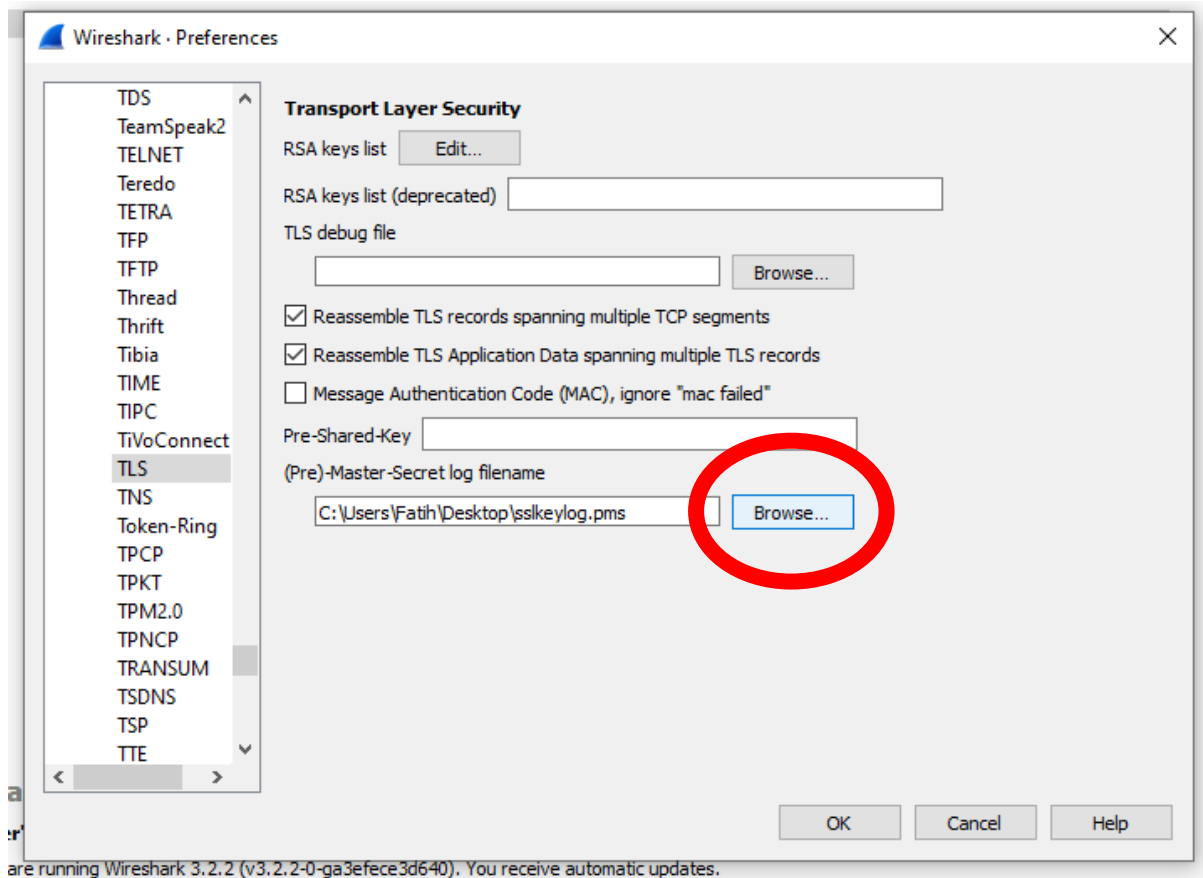
**Checkpoint:** Make sure the file is created when the browser is opened. If the file is deleted, it will keep being created each time the browser opens. So when you are done with the homework, you should delete the environment variable created before.

## Configuring Wireshark to Use the SSL Key Log

1. Open Wireshark as usual. Click **Edit > Preferences**



2. On the left panel, expand the **Protocols** node. Lots of protocols will be shown. Press **T** and find the **TLS** protocol. Click the bottom-most **Browse** button and select the newly created file. Click **OK** to save. Note that this file will automatically grow each time the browser generates a new key and Wireshark will see the updates. So you only need to do this once.



And that's it. Try to observe the traffic by navigating to [odtuyayincilik.com.tr](http://odtuyayincilik.com.tr) and see that the traffic is decrypted.

**Hint:** To isolate the HTTP traffic, try applying the following filters:

1. **http2**
2. **http2.headers**
3. **http2.headers.set\_cookie**

Notice the **HTTP version 2** here. Before the change, the website used HTTP/1.1, which means the appropriate filter would be **http.set\_cookie**

The last one should narrow the traffic down sufficiently to answer the question in homework.