

Lab# 02 Wireshark Lab: Installation and Basic Network Scan

Objective

Students will install Wireshark on their Windows computers, perform a basic network scan, and apply filters to analyze network traffic.

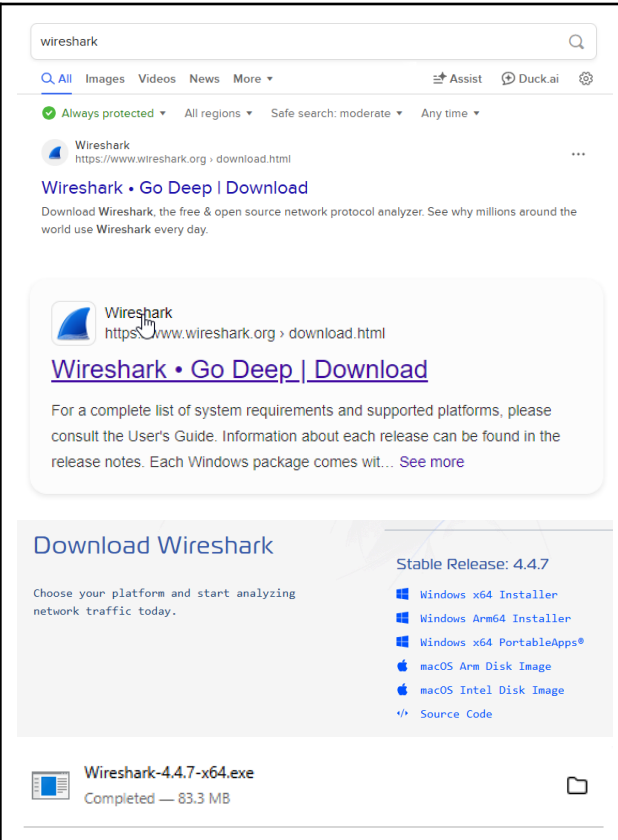
Step-by-Step Instructions / Summary

- Part 1: Install Wireshark on Windows
- Part 2: Perform a Basic Network Scan
- Part 3: Apply Filters in Wireshark
- Part 4: Advanced Filters
- Part 5: Capture and Export

Steps and screenshots for this lab:

1. Install Wireshark on Windows
 - 1.1. Download Wireshark

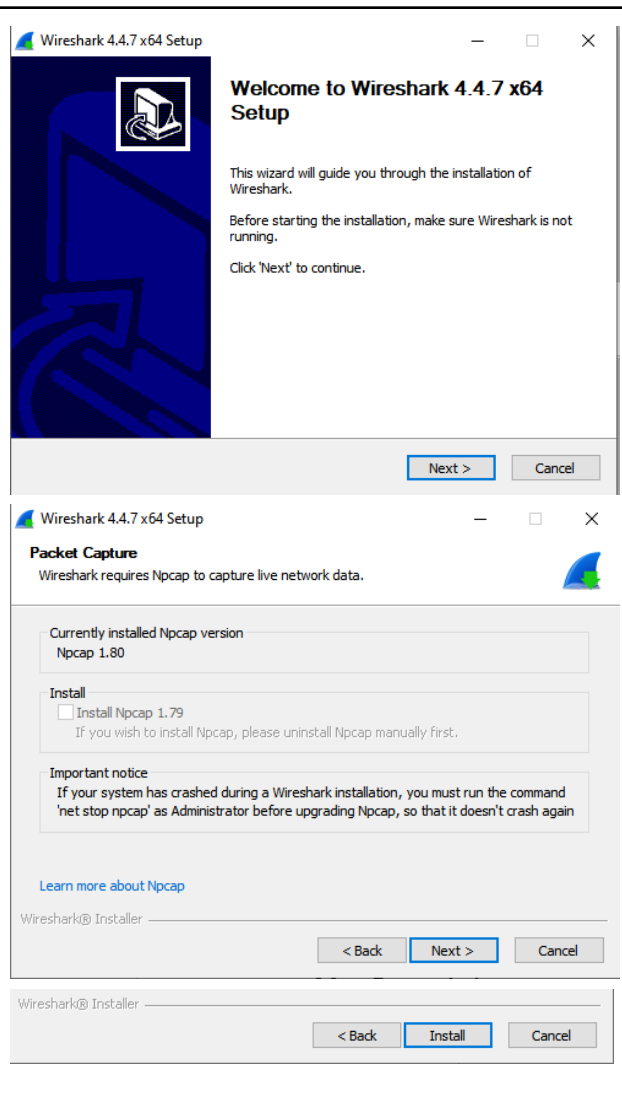
Going to the website to download Wireshark
Downloading the Windows Installer version



The screenshot shows the Wireshark website's download page. At the top, there's a search bar with 'wireshark' entered. Below the search bar, there are navigation links for 'All', 'Images', 'Videos', 'News', and 'More'. A green status bar indicates 'Always protected' and 'Safe search: moderate'. The main content area features the Wireshark logo and the text 'Wireshark • Go Deep | Download'. Below this, it says 'Download Wireshark, the free & open source network protocol analyzer. See why millions around the world use Wireshark every day.' There's a section titled 'Download Wireshark' with the text 'Choose your platform and start analyzing network traffic today.' To the right of this section, there's a list of download options for the 'Stable Release: 4.4.7': 'Windows x64 Installer', 'Windows Arm64 Installer', 'Windows x64 PortableApps®', 'macOS Arm Disk Image', 'macOS Intel Disk Image', and 'Source Code'. At the bottom, there's a download progress bar showing 'Wireshark-4.4.7-x64.exe' and 'Completed — 83.3 MB'.

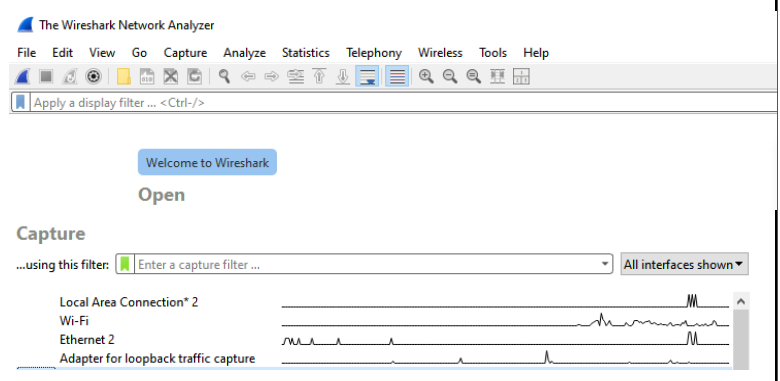
1.2. Install Wireshark

Running the installer
Accept all default components, includes WinPcap and Npcap



1.3. Verify Installation

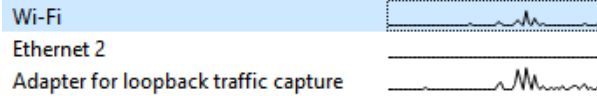
Open Wireshark
Ensure all that Wireshark lists available network interfaces (WiFi, Ethernet)



2. Perform a Basic Network Scan

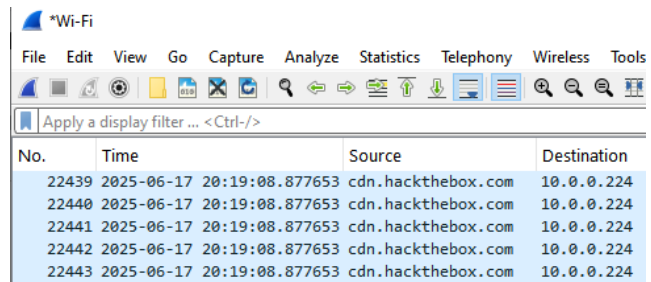
2.1. Select an interface

Selecting the Wi-Fi interface



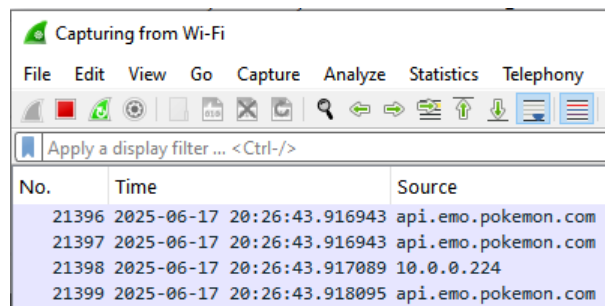
2.2. Browse the internet

Press the shark fin
Open a website and visit websites like
hackthebox.com

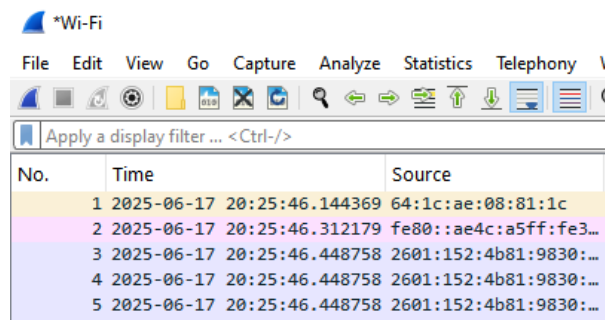


2.3. Stop the Capture

Press the red button to stop Wireshark
from capture the packets



The screen once after the packets had
stop capturing:



3. Apply Filters in Wireshark

3.1. Basic Filters

Filter http traffic
Filter dns traffic
Filter tcp traffic
Filter icmp traffic

There were no http traffic:

http			
No.	Time	Source	

There appears to be dns traffic:

dns				
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol
12	2025-06-17 20:25:46.742889	10.0.0.224	cdns01.comcast.net	DNS
13	2025-06-17 20:25:46.743850	10.0.0.224	cdns01.comcast.net	DNS
14	2025-06-17 20:25:46.744415	10.0.0.224	cdns01.comcast.net	DNS
15	2025-06-17 20:25:46.744732	10.0.0.224	cdns01.comcast.net	DNS
16	2025-06-17 20:25:46.744987	10.0.0.224	cdns01.comcast.net	DNS
17	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767316	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS
18	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767512	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS
19	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767512	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS
20	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767512	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS
21	2025-06-17 20:25:46.773621	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS
23	2025-06-17 20:25:47.739878	10.0.0.224	cdns01.comcast.net	DNS
26	2025-06-17 20:25:47.740777	10.0.0.224	cdns01.comcast.net	DNS

There appears to be tcp traffic:

tcp				
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol
3	2025-06-17 20:25:46.448758	2601:152:4b81:9830::	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	TCP
4	2025-06-17 20:25:46.448758	2601:152:4b81:9830::	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	TCP
5	2025-06-17 20:25:46.448758	2601:152:4b81:9830::	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	TLSv1.2
6	2025-06-17 20:25:46.495197	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	2601:152:4b81:9830::	TCP
7	2025-06-17 20:25:46.495197	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	2601:152:4b81:9830::	TCP
9	2025-06-17 20:25:46.535649	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	2601:152:4b81:9830::	TLSv1.2
10	2025-06-17 20:25:46.536274	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	2601:152:4b81:9830::	TLSv1.2
11	2025-06-17 20:25:46.536317	2601:152:4b81:9830::	lga25s79-in-x0e.1e1..	TCP
49	2025-06-17 20:25:48.888115	ec2-54-88-92-127.co..	10.0.0.224	TLSv1.2
50	2025-06-17 20:25:48.936707	10.0.0.224	ec2-54-88-92-127.co..	TCP

There appears to be no icmp traffic:

icmp			
No.	Time	Source	Destination

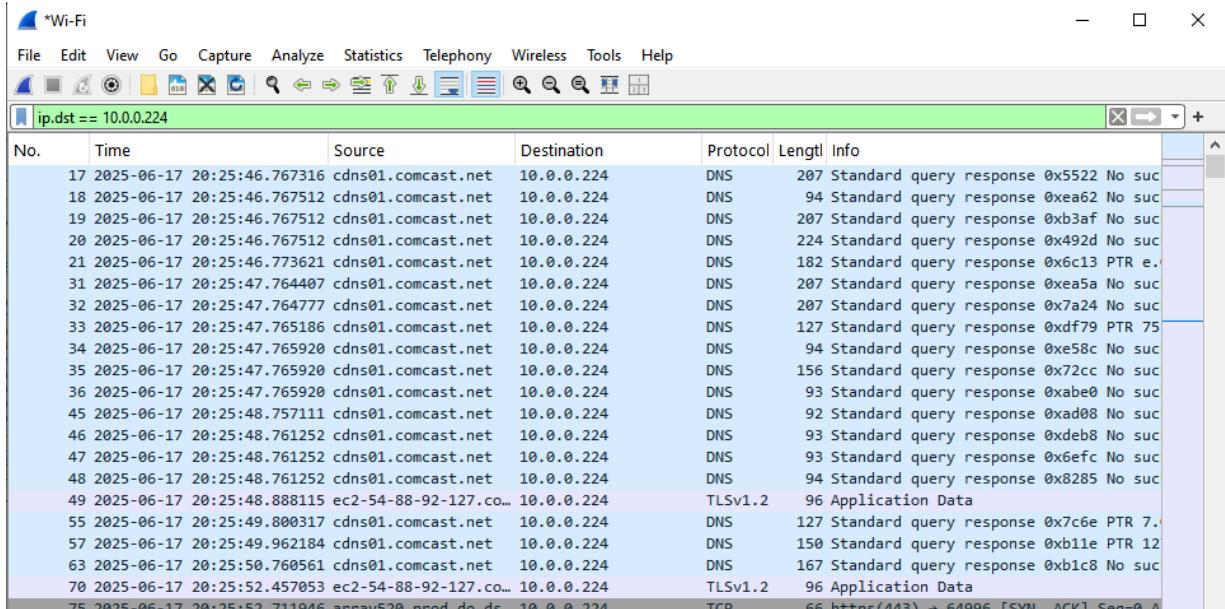
3.2. Conservation Filters

Pressing right click and following the TCP stream

4.2. Filter Any <-> A

Apply a filter to show packets sent to your IP address from any source.

ip.dst == 10.0.0.224



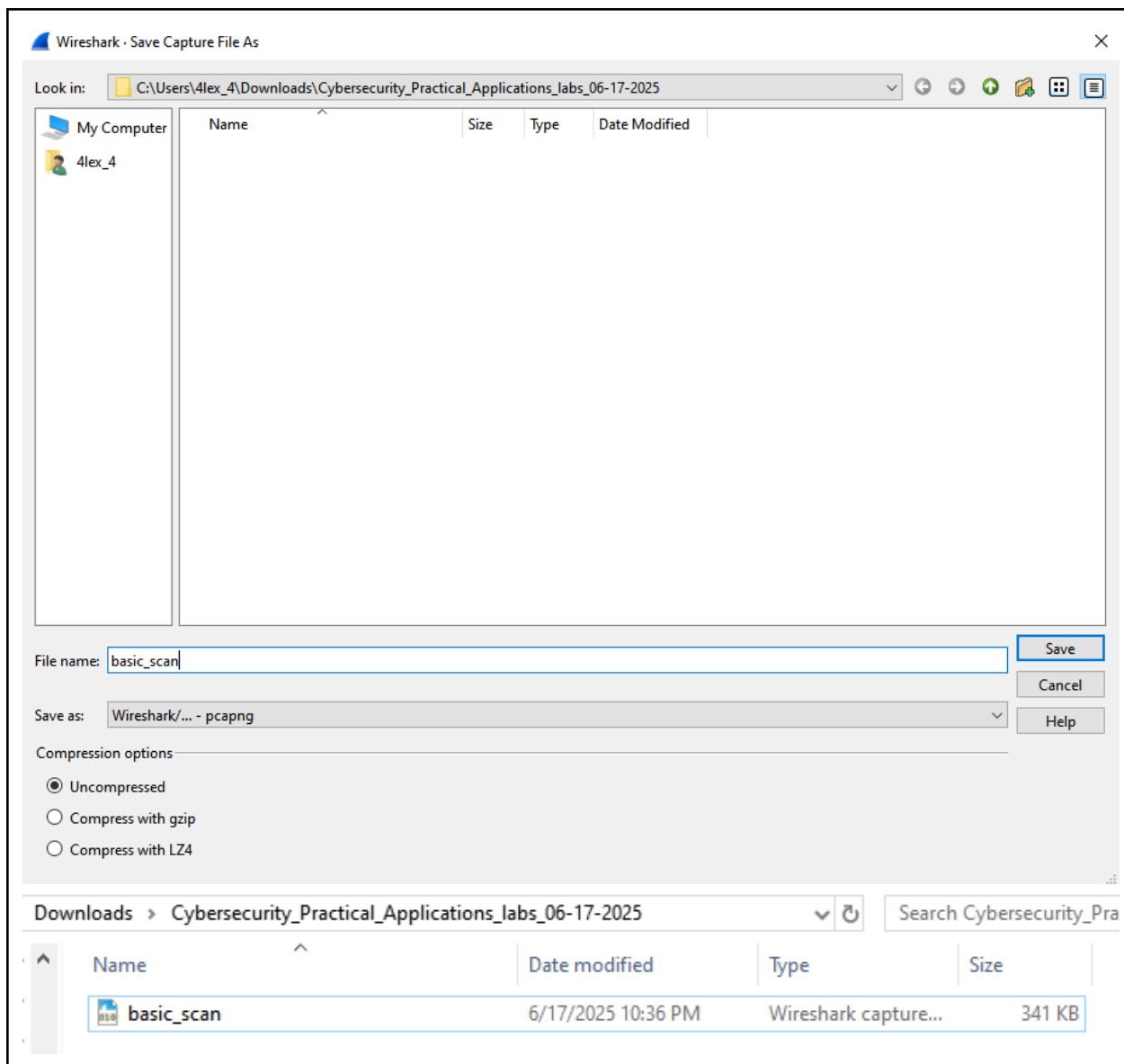
The screenshot shows the Wireshark interface with the filter 'ip.dst == 10.0.0.224' applied. The packet list contains 20 entries, all of which are filtered. The first 18 packets are DNS responses from cdns01.comcast.net to 10.0.0.224. The 19th packet is a TLSv1.2 application data packet from ec2-54-88-92-127.co... to 10.0.0.224. The 20th packet is a TCP packet from 75.25.52.711946 to 10.0.0.224.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
17	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767316	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	207	Standard query response 0x5522 No suc
18	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767512	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	94	Standard query response 0xea62 No suc
19	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767512	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	207	Standard query response 0xb3af No suc
20	2025-06-17 20:25:46.767512	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	224	Standard query response 0x492d No suc
21	2025-06-17 20:25:46.773621	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	182	Standard query response 0x6c13 PTR e.
31	2025-06-17 20:25:47.764407	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	207	Standard query response 0xea5a No suc
32	2025-06-17 20:25:47.764777	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	207	Standard query response 0x7a24 No suc
33	2025-06-17 20:25:47.765186	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	127	Standard query response 0xdf79 PTR 75
34	2025-06-17 20:25:47.765920	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	94	Standard query response 0xe58c No suc
35	2025-06-17 20:25:47.765920	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	156	Standard query response 0x72cc No suc
36	2025-06-17 20:25:47.765920	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	93	Standard query response 0xabe0 No suc
45	2025-06-17 20:25:48.757111	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	92	Standard query response 0xad08 No suc
46	2025-06-17 20:25:48.761252	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	93	Standard query response 0xdeb8 No suc
47	2025-06-17 20:25:48.761252	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	93	Standard query response 0x6efc No suc
48	2025-06-17 20:25:48.761252	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	94	Standard query response 0x8285 No suc
49	2025-06-17 20:25:48.888115	ec2-54-88-92-127.co...	10.0.0.224	TLSv1.2	96	Application Data
55	2025-06-17 20:25:49.800317	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	127	Standard query response 0x7c6e PTR 7.
57	2025-06-17 20:25:49.962184	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	150	Standard query response 0xb11e PTR 12
63	2025-06-17 20:25:50.760561	cdns01.comcast.net	10.0.0.224	DNS	167	Standard query response 0xb1c8 No suc
70	2025-06-17 20:25:52.457053	ec2-54-88-92-127.co...	10.0.0.224	TLSv1.2	96	Application Data
75	2025-06-17 20:25:52.711946	75.25.52.711946	10.0.0.224	TCP	66	https(443) -> 64996 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0.8

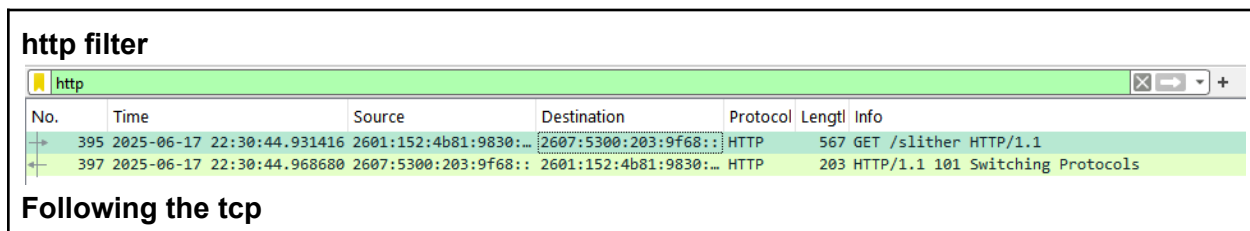
5. Capture and Export

5.1. Export the capture

Export file and save as "basic_scan.pcapng"



5.2. Take screenshots



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Wireshark · Follow TCP Stream (tcp.stream eq 23) · basic_scan.pcapng

GET /slither HTTP/1.1
Host: [2607:5300:203:9f68::]:444
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:139.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/139.0
Accept: */*
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Sec-WebSocket-Version: 13
Origin: http://slither.com
Sec-WebSocket-Extensions: permessage-deflate
Sec-WebSocket-Key: km0nd555UxhvJg+qTwajaw==
DNT: 1
Sec-GPC: 1
Connection: keep-alive, Upgrade
Pragma: no-cache
Cache-Control: no-cache
Upgrade: websocket

HTTP/1.1 101 Switching Protocols
Upgrade: websocket
Connection: Upgrade
Sec-WebSocket-Accept: tloGA79tdvcX3r7fACv2pKa7FQg=
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Tools & Skills Used

- Wireshark
- Windows 10
- Packet Filtering
- Network Protocol Analysis



Reflection & Takeaways

This lab helped me reinforce my prior knowledge with Wireshark. While I was familiar with Wireshark before with ctf competitions and other tasks. Revisiting this tool helps me identify small knowledge gaps with filtering syntax and capturing exports.

Due to performance issues with the vm, I opted to use my personal Windows 10 computer which gives me an optimal experience.