1. Ubuntu OS: Install traceroute

sudo apt-get install traceroute

- 2. Run Wireshark and start capturing packets
- 3. While Wireshark is running execute the following commands one by one

traceroute gaia.cs.umass.edu 56

traceroute gaia.cs.umass.edu 2000

traceroute gaia.cs.umass.edu 3500

4. Stop capturing packets

(If unable to capture the packets the

Download the zip file http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/wireshark-traces.zip and extract the file ipethereal-trace-1. The traces in this zip file were collected by Wireshark running on one of the author's computers, while performing the steps indicated in the Wireshark lab. Once you have downloaded the trace, you can load it into Wireshark and view the trace using the File pull down menu, choosing Open, and then selecting the ip-ethereal-trace-1 trace file.

Analyse and answer the following:

- Select the first ICMP Echo Request message sent by your computer, and expand the Internet Protocol part of the packet in the packet details window. What is the IP address of your computer?
- 2. Within the IP packet header, what is the value in the upper layer protocol field?
- 3. How many bytes are in the IP header? How many bytes are in the payload of the IP datagram? Explain how you determined the number of payload bytes.
- 4. Has this IP datagram been fragmented? Explain how you determined whether or not the datagram has been fragmented.

Next, sort the traced packets according to IP source address by clicking on the Source column header; a small downward pointing arrow should appear next to the word Source. If the arrow points up, click on the Source column header again. Select the first ICMP Echo Request message sent by your computer, and expand the Internet Protocol portion in the "details of selected packet header" window. In the "listing of captured packets" window, you should see all of the subsequent ICMP messages (perhaps with additional interspersed packets sent by other protocols running on your computer) below this first ICMP. Use the down arrow to move through the ICMP messages sent by your computer.

- 5. Which fields in the IP datagram always change from one datagram to the next within this series of ICMP messages sent by your computer?
- 6. Which fields stay constant? Which of the fields must stay constant? Which fields must change? Why?
- 7. Describe the pattern you see in the values in the Identification field of the IP datagram Next (with the packets still sorted by source address) find the series of ICMP TTLexceeded replies sent to your computer by the nearest (first hop) router.

8. What is the value in the Identification field and the TTL field? 9. Do these values remain unchanged for all of the ICMP TTL-exceeded replies sent to your computer by the nearest (first hop) router? Why?

Fragmentation

Sort the packet listing according to time again by clicking on the Time column.

- 10. Find the first ICMP Echo Request message that was sent by your computer after you changed the Packet Size in traceroute to be 2000. Has that message been fragmented across more than one IP datagram?
- 11. Consider the first fragment of the fragmented IP datagram. What information in the IP header indicates that the datagram been fragmented? What information in the IP header indicates whether this is the first fragment versus a latter fragment? How long is this IP datagram?
- 12. Consider the second fragment of the fragmented IP datagram. What information in the IP header indicates that this is not the first datagram fragment? Are the more fragments? How can you tell?
- 13. What fields change in the IP header between the first and second fragment?

Now find the first ICMP Echo Request message that was sent by your computer after you changed the Packet Size in traceroute to be 3500.

- 14. How many fragments were created from the original datagram?
- 15. What fields change in the IP header among the fragments?