

NETWORK SECURITY: LAB 1

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1. Capture and analyze protocols

Part 1: ARP

First we choose a packet that is not a broadcast, since we are receiving various broadcasts from different devices. And the packets that have a response are always have our device as either the sender or the receiver, we will analyze the following packet:

```
261 7.176394976 samar44.cnam.fr Cisco_bb:0a:9c ARP 42 163.173.230.174 is at b8:85:84:9a:6c:54
```

By opening the ARP section, we can find the following relevant information:

1. Our hostname: samar44.cnam.fr from sender IP **163.173.230.174**
2. Our MAC address: b8:85:84:9a:6c:54 from the sender mac
3. Exchanged data is our host replying with our MAC address to the router that was looking for it.
4. The source is **samara44.cnam.fr (b8:85:84:9a:6c:54)** and the destination is **Cisco_bb (74:88:bb:bb:0a:9c)**

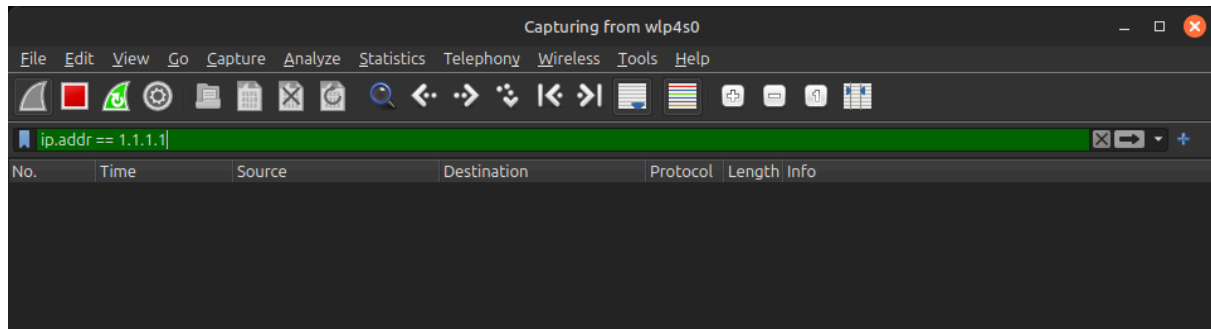
```
> Frame 261: 42 bytes on wire (336 bits), 42 bytes captured (336 bits) on interface em1, id 0
> Ethernet II, Src: samar44.cnam.fr (b8:85:84:9a:6c:54), Dst: Cisco_bb:0a:9c (74:88:bb:bb:0a:9c)
✓ Address Resolution Protocol (reply)
  - Hardware type: Ethernet (1)
  - Protocol type: IPv4 (0x0800)
  - Hardware size: 6
  - Protocol size: 4
  - Opcode: reply (2)
  - Sender MAC address: samar44.cnam.fr (b8:85:84:9a:6c:54)
  - Sender IP address: samar44.cnam.fr (163.173.230.174)
  - Target MAC address: Cisco_bb:0a:9c (74:88:bb:bb:0a:9c)
  - Target IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0)
```

We can confirm the hostname name by running the command **ifconfig -a** and finding our corresponding private IP address which is **163.173.230.174**

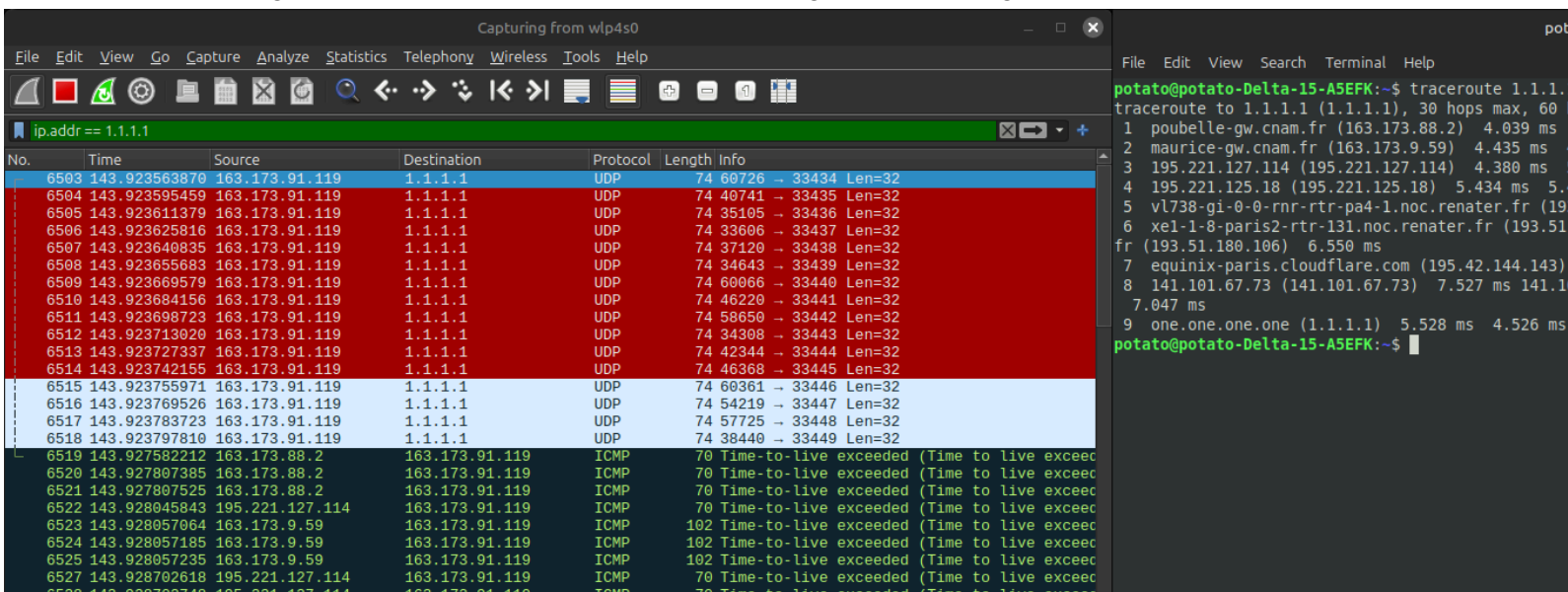
```
3: br0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,MASTER,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP group default qlen 1000
    link/ether b8:85:84:9a:6c:54 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 163.173.230.174/22 brd 163.173.231.255 scope global noprefixroute br0
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 fe80::54f9:7c2e:e005:f8cb/64 scope link noprefixroute
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
```

Part 2: Traceroute

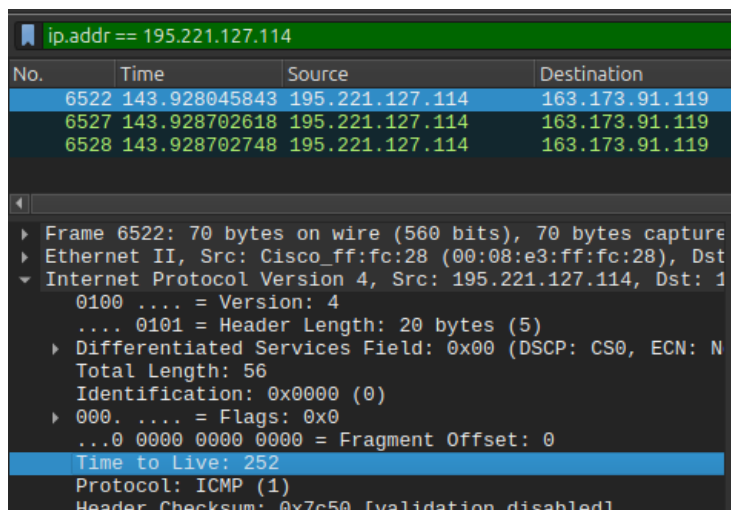
To make things easier in Wireshark, first we set a filter to search for the IP address 1.1.1.1 in the contents of each packet, and as shown there's no packets being sent currently:



Starting a **traceroute 1.1.1.1** in the terminal, we get the following packets:



Which means that traceroute uses a mix of **UDP and ICMP protocols**. And to see the value of TTL on the third hop, we simply filter for the third hop address, which is 195.221.127.114 in our case, and we can find in the IPv4 section the time to live field equal to **252**



To get some starts i had to use the google address 8.8.8.8 instead:

```
potato@potato-Delta-15-A5EFK:~$ traceroute 8.8.8.8
traceroute to 8.8.8.8 (8.8.8.8), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
 1  poubelle-gw.cnam.fr (163.173.88.2)  3.720 ms  3.671 ms  3.653 ms
 2  maurice-gw.cnam.fr (163.173.9.59)  4.415 ms  4.400 ms  4.386 ms
 3  195.221.127.114 (195.221.127.114)  4.359 ms  4.808 ms  4.793 ms
 4  195.221.125.18 (195.221.125.18)  4.784 ms  4.770 ms  5.499 ms
 5  vl738-gi-0-0-rnr-rtr-pa4-1.noc.renater.fr (193.55.204.218)  5.48
 6  xe-0-0-13-paris2-rtr-131.noc.renater.fr (193.51.180.106)  14.246
r (193.55.204.217)  4.968 ms xe-0-0-13-paris2-rtr-131.noc.renater.fr
 7  192.178.70.144 (192.178.70.144)  3.974 ms  3.570 ms  4.107 ms
 8  * * *
 9  dns.google (8.8.8.8)  4.172 ms  4.081 ms  4.008 ms
```

In wireshark however, there is no packet that contains 8.8.8.8 in its message with IP not found in the traceroute, so It is either we reached a timeout or we did not receive a reply from a hop.

2. Network scanning

Host enumeration and Service Discovery

By using **ifconfig -a** i can get information about the network interfaces used on my machine:

```

1 user3652@user3652:~$ ifconfig -a
2 eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST>  mtu 1500
3     inet 192.168.11.5  netmask 255.255.255.0  broadcast 192.168.11.255
4     ether 96:d4:85:36:a8:a1  txqueuelen 0  (Ethernet)
5     RX packets 24549  bytes 1462474 (1.4 MB)
6     RX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  frame 0
7     TX packets 30064  bytes 5028919 (5.0 MB)
8     TX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  carrier 0  collisions 0
9
10 lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING>  mtu 65536
11     inet 127.0.0.1  netmask 255.0.0.0
12     inet6 ::1  prefixlen 128  scopeid 0x10<host>
13     loop txqueuelen 1000  (Local Loopback)
14     RX packets 155980  bytes 10052331 (10.0 MB)
15     RX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  frame 0
16     TX packets 155980  bytes 10052331 (10.0 MB)
17     TX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  carrier 0  collisions 0
18

```

We have an ethernet interface **eth0** and **lo** which is used by the machine to communicate with itself. The subnet mask for eth0 is 255.255.255.0 indicating the subnet to be **/24**

Using nmap to search this network **192.168.11.0/24** we get 5 hosts and their services open ports:

```

42 user3652@user3652:~$ nmap 192.168.11.0/24
43
44 Starting Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-10-21 13:58 UTC
45 Nmap scan report for 100dell7060-01.esgt.cnam.fr (192.168.11.1)
46 Host is up (0.0012s latency).
47 All 1000 scanned ports on 100dell7060-01.esgt.cnam.fr (192.168.11.1) are closed
48
49 Nmap scan report for user3652-01n.user3652 (192.168.11.2)
50 Host is up (0.0012s latency).
51 Not shown: 998 closed ports
52 PORT      STATE SERVICE
53 139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn
54 445/tcp   open  microsoft-ds
55
56 Nmap scan report for user3652-secret_service.user3652 (192.168.11.3)
57 Host is up (0.0011s latency).
58 All 1000 scanned ports on user3652-secret_service.user3652 (192.168.11.3) are closed
59
60 Nmap scan report for user3652-service.user3652 (192.168.11.4)
61 Host is up (0.0012s latency).
62 All 1000 scanned ports on user3652-service.user3652 (192.168.11.4) are closed
63
64 Nmap scan report for user3652 (192.168.11.5)
65 Host is up (0.0012s latency).
66 Not shown: 999 closed ports
67 PORT      STATE SERVICE
68 22/tcp    open  ssh
69
70 Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (5 hosts up) scanned in 3.41 seconds

```

We have 5 hosts, we will go through them one by one:

- **192.168.11.1:** By convention the first address is assigned for the router, further proof to that is that it does not have any open ports, i.e. no services.
- **192.168.11.2:** This machine has 2 services open: **139/tcp netbios-ssn, 445/tcp microsoft-ds**. We will discuss these services more later on.
- **192.168.11.3:** No open ports for this machine.
- **192.168.11.4:** Despite not having any open ports, there is a **dbm service on port 2345** we will find later.
- **192.168.11.5:** We know this is the address of our machine from previously in **ifconfig**, and to support that we have an **ssh** service running which allow us to connect to this virtual network.

Analysing 192.168.11.2 and finding more ports:

Getting the version number of the services running on this host, we get that this is an **smbd** service which allows us to access the host machine files remotely.

```
412 user3652@user3652:~$ nmap -sV 192.168.11.2
413
414 Starting Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-10-21 16:32 UTC
415 Nmap scan report for user3652-01n.user3652 (192.168.11.2)
416 Host is up (0.00046s latency).
417 Not shown: 998 closed ports
418 PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
419 139/tcp    open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: MYGROUP)
420 445/tcp    open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: MYGROUP)
421 Service Info: Host: SAMBA
422
423 Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/
424 Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 11.50 seconds
```

By using the **smb-enum-shares** script for nmap, we can see the shared folders using this service:

```
542 user3652@user3652:~$ sudo nmap -p 445 --script smb-enum-shares 192.168.11.2
543
544 Starting Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-10-21 17:17 UTC
545 Nmap scan report for user3652-01n.user3652 (192.168.11.2)
546 Host is up (0.00010s latency).
547
548 PORT      STATE SERVICE
549 445/tcp    open  microsoft-ds
550 MAC Address: D2:39:C8:FF:87:45 (Unknown)
551
552 Host script results:
553 | smb-enum-shares:
554 |   account used: guest
555 |   \\192.168.11.2\Bobs Volume: |
556 |     Type: STYPE_DISKTREE
557 |     Comment:
558 |     Users: 0
559 |     Max Users: <unlimited>
560 |     Path: C:\bob
561 |     Anonymous access: <none>
562 |     Current user access: <none>
563 |   \\192.168.11.2\IPC$:
564 |     Type: STYPE_IPC_HIDDEN
565 |     Comment: IPC Service (Samba Server)
566 |     Users: 1
567 |     Max Users: <unlimited>
568 |     Path: C:\tmp
569 |     Anonymous access: READ/WRITE
570 |     Current user access: READ/WRITE
571 |   \\192.168.11.2\Mount:
572 |     Type: STYPE_DISKTREE
573 |     Comment:
574 |     Users: 0
575 |     Max Users: <unlimited>
576 |     Path: C:\mnt
577 |     Anonymous access: READ/WRITE
578 |     Current user access: READ/WRITE
579
580 Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 7.11 seconds
```

We have 3 volumes:

- **Bobs Volume:** Most likely the machine's owner volume, since it does not allow for anonymous access
- **IPC\$**
- **Mount:** Some drive connected to this machine which our user has read and write permissions

To access these volumes we need to install the smb client using **sudo apt install smbclient**.

We can't access "Bob's Volume" without having their password, and unfortunately it is not stored in the other two volumes as seen here:

```

326 user3652@user3652:~$ smbclient //192.168.11.2/"IPC$"
327 WARNING: The "syslog" option is deprecated
328 Enter WORKGROUP\user3652's password:
329 Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
330 smb: \> ls
331 NT_STATUS_OBJECT_NAME_NOT_FOUND listing \*

310 user3652@user3652:~$ smbclient //192.168.11.2/"Mount"
311 WARNING: The "syslog" option is deprecated
312 Enter WORKGROUP\user3652's password:
313 Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
314 smb: \> ls
315      .                      D            0  Fri May 29 14:20:33 2020
316      ..                     D            0  Wed Oct 15 15:58:59 2025
317
318 [16C203056560 blocks of size 1024. 192529324 blocks available]
319 smb: \> ls -a
320 NT_STATUS_NO_SUCH_FILE listing \-a

```

We know by default nmap scans the most 1000 common ports, if we do a scan of at least the first 10000 ports (they contain common ports) and change our protocol to stealth SYN and set the timing to T4, on the other 2 machines, we get the following:

In **192.168.11.4**: we found a **dbm service on port 2345/tcp**

```

user3652@user3652:~$ sudo nmap -sS -T4 -p0-10000 192.168.11.4

Starting Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-10-22 17:00 UTC
Nmap scan report for user3652-service.user3652 (192.168.11.4)
Host is up (0.00011s latency).
Not shown: 10000 closed ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE
2345/tcp  open  dbm
MAC Address: F2:DC:00:CE:A0:83 (Unknown)

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 86.93 seconds

```


dbm is some sort of a database, but using -sV flag to know which type of database yields no results

```

931 user3652@user3652:~$ sudo nmap -p2345 192.168.11.4 -sV
932
933 Starting Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-10-22 17:22 UTC
934 Nmap scan report for user3652-service.user3652 (192.168.11.4)
935 Host is up (0.00011s latency).
936
937 PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
938 2345/tcp  open  dbm?
939 1 service unrecognized despite returning data. If you know the service/version, please submit t
940 SF-Port2345-TCP:V=7.60%I=7%D=10/22%Time=68F912DC%P=x86_64-pc-linux-gnu%r(N
941 SF:ULL,A,"Good\x20job!\n");
942 MAC Address: F2:DC:00:CE:A0:83 (Unknown)
943
944 Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
945 Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 1.00 seconds

```

But we can see a good job in there, it is some sort of basic key value pair basic database, using a banner script confirms this:

```

user3652@user3652:~$ sudo nmap -p2345 --script=banner 192.168.11.4

Starting Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-10-22 17:28 UTC
Nmap scan report for user3652-service.user3652 (192.168.11.4)
Host is up (0.00012s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
2345/tcp  open  dbm?
|_ banner: Good job!
|_ fingerprint-strings:
|   NULL:
|_   Good job!

```

Unfortunately no matter what timing or protocol i used on host **192.168.11.3**, i could not find an open port, but i know for a fact that it has one and in it i can find bob's password, but i give up, let bob keep his files >:[

Topology of the network

