

tcpdump

Quick Reference

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```
sudo tcpdump [options] [expression]
```

Task 1

Introduction and Project Overview

Stop after capturing *n* packets

```
tcpdump -c n
```

Add line numbers before captured packets

```
tcpdump -#
```

Show captured packets in ASCII

```
tcpdump -A
```

Show captured packets in hexadecimal

```
tcpdump -XX
```

Show human readable capture time

```
tcpdump -tttt
```

Task 2

Create Shell Script and Explore More Options

List all network interfaces

```
tcpdump -D
```

Only capture traffic in interface *abc*

```
tcpdump -i abc
```

Mixing display format shorthand options

Simply concatenate them after a single hyphen

e.g. `tcpdump -#XXtttt`

Mixing other shorthand options

Simply list them all with separate hyphens

e.g. `tcpdump -#XX -c 10`

Only capture traffic to/from host **xyz.com**

`tcpdump host xyz.com`

Only capture traffic to/from IP **11.222.33.444**

`tcpdump host 11.222.33.444`

Only capture traffic through port **443**

`tcpdump port 443`

Only capture outgoing traffic to **xyz.com**

`tcpdump dst xyz.com`

Only capture incoming traffic from **xyz.com**

`tcpdump src xyz.com`

Mixing whole word options

Use **and**, **or**

e.g. `tcpdump host 11.222.33.444 and port 443`

Task 3

Create and Read Dump Files

Write capture to file **abc.pcap**

`tcpdump -w abc.pcap`

read saved capture file **abc.pcap**

`tcpdump -r abc.pcap`

Task 4

Create sequence of dump files with size and time limits

Capture every **n** seconds

`tcpdump -G n`

Limited captured file size to **n** million bytes

`tcpdump -C n`
