

Packet Analysis

INFO-6081 – Monitoring & Incident Response



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Learning Outcomes

- Packet Analysis
- Tcpdump
- Berkley Packet Filter
- Examining Full Content Data
- Dumpcap
- Tshark
- Wireshark
- Display filters
- Wireshark Statistics

Packet Analysis

- Packet analysis tools read network traffic from an interface or a saved capture (trace) file and present the information to an analyst
- This information is used to interpret what is occurring on the network
- Packet analysis tools are available for either the command line, or graphical interfaces

Tcpdump

- Tcpdump is a command line traffic analyzer that is available on SO
- It is often used to read the data created by netsniff-ng, and stored in ***/nsm/sensor_data/HOSTNAME-INTERFACE/dailylogs***
- Tcpdump is a protocol analyzer, as it interpret and decode the protocols used at various layers of the OSI model

Tcpdump – Operation

- The following command displays live traffic in real time:
`tcpdump -n -i <interface> -s <snaplen> -c <count> -w <filename>`
- The command is modified by the options:
 - **-n** – Do not resolve IP addresses to hostnames
 - **-i** – Specify an interface to monitor
 - **-s** – Specify how many bytes to capture from each packet
 - **-s 0** – captures the entire packet
 - **-c** – Set the number of packets to capture
 - **-w** – Write the captured data to disk

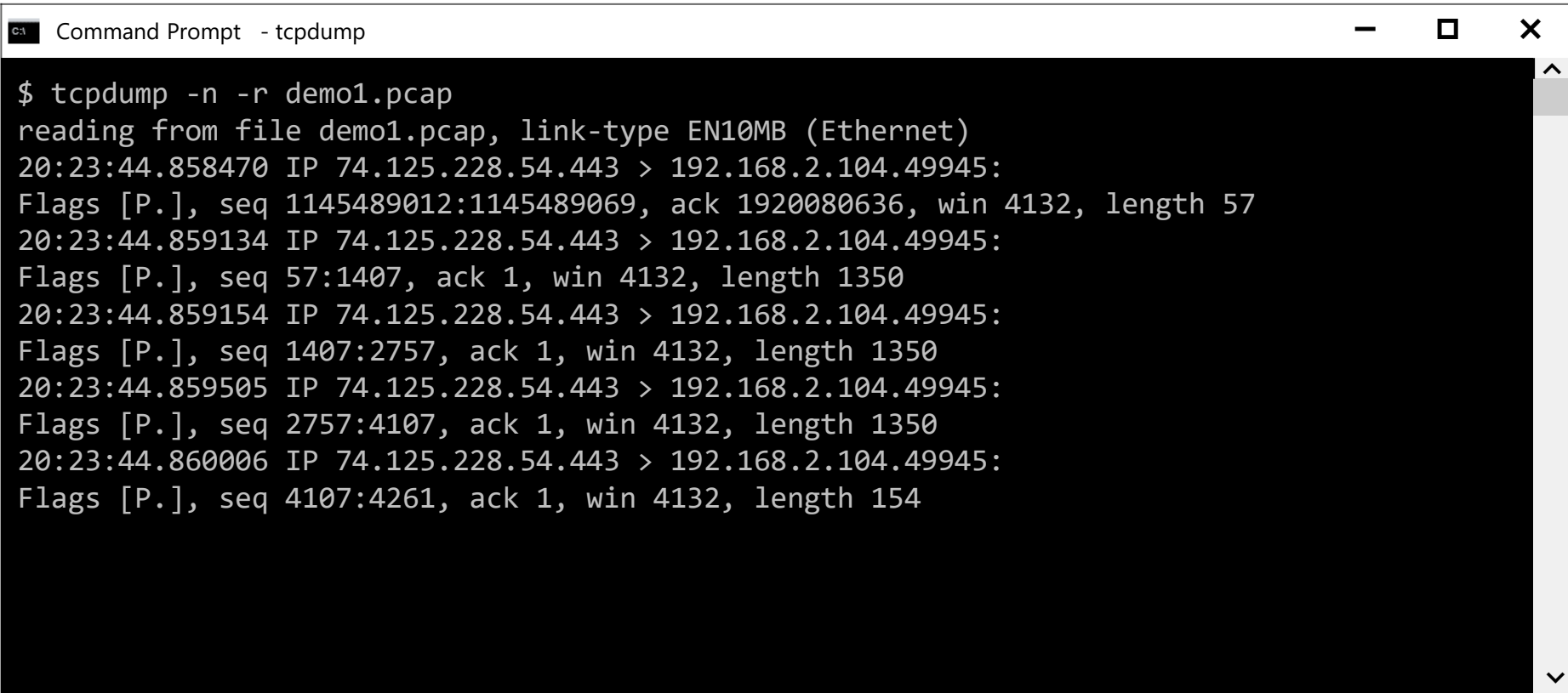
Tcpdump – Example

C:\ Command Prompt - tcpdump

```
$ sudo tcpdump -n -i eth1 -c 5 -w capture1.pcap
tcpdump: WARNING: eth1: no IPv4 address assigned
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v or -vv for full protocol decode
listening on eth1, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), capture size 65535 bytes
①19:48:51.723139 IP 192.168.2.120.55060 > 205.233.0.226.443:
UDP, length 461
②19:48:51.886312 IP 69.171.246.17.443 > 192.168.2.104.49608:
Flags [P.], seq 928328861:928329246, ack 1080949825, win 39, length 385
③19:48:51.898576 IP 192.168.2.104.49608 > 69.171.246.17.443:
Flags [P.], seq 1:978, ack 385, win 4220, length 977
④19:48:51.914324 IP 69.171.246.17.443 > 192.168.2.104.49608:
Flags [.], ack 978, win 45, length 0
⑤19:48:51.915284 IP 69.171.246.17.443 > 192.168.2.104.49608:
Flags [P.], seq 385:823, ack 978, win 45, length 438
5 packets captured
5 packets received by filter
0 packets dropped by kernel
```

Tcpdump – Operation

- Tcpdump can also be used to read capture (trace) files:

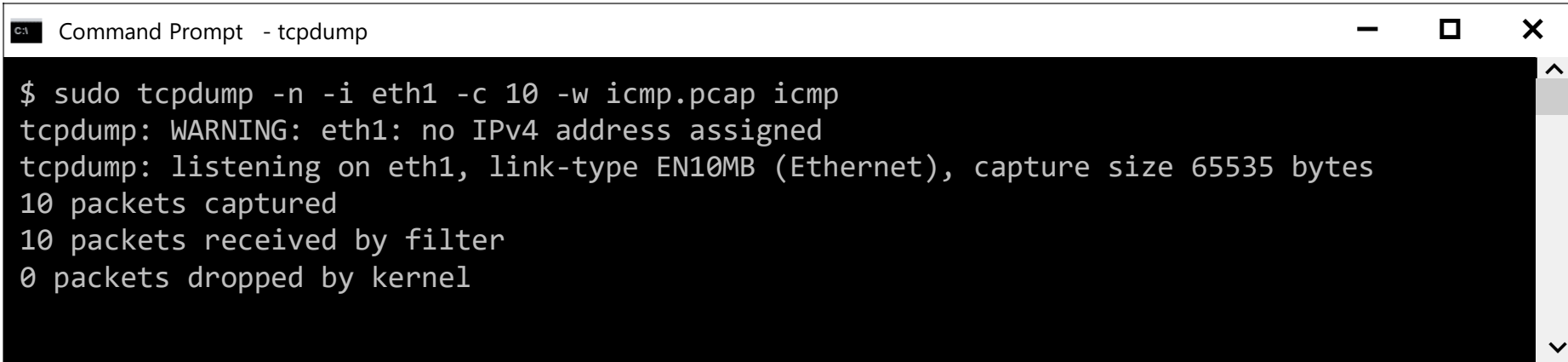


```
C:\ Command Prompt - tcpdump

$ tcpdump -n -r demo1.pcap
reading from file demo1.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
20:23:44.858470 IP 74.125.228.54.443 > 192.168.2.104.49945:
Flags [P.], seq 1145489012:1145489069, ack 1920080636, win 4132, length 57
20:23:44.859134 IP 74.125.228.54.443 > 192.168.2.104.49945:
Flags [P.], seq 57:1407, ack 1, win 4132, length 1350
20:23:44.859154 IP 74.125.228.54.443 > 192.168.2.104.49945:
Flags [P.], seq 1407:2757, ack 1, win 4132, length 1350
20:23:44.859505 IP 74.125.228.54.443 > 192.168.2.104.49945:
Flags [P.], seq 2757:4107, ack 1, win 4132, length 1350
20:23:44.860006 IP 74.125.228.54.443 > 192.168.2.104.49945:
Flags [P.], seq 4107:4261, ack 1, win 4132, length 154
```

Tcpdump – Operation

- To reduce the amount of data, Tcpdump can apply filters in the Berkley Packet Filter (BPF) format to the command
- BPF filters include protocol, direction, and type
 - To capture only ICMP traffic:



```
C:\> Command Prompt - tcpdump

$ sudo tcpdump -n -i eth1 -c 10 -w icmp.pcap icmp
tcpdump: WARNING: eth1: no IPv4 address assigned
tcpdump: listening on eth1, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), capture size 65535 bytes
10 packets captured
10 packets received by filter
0 packets dropped by kernel
```


Tcpdump – Example

C:\ Command Prompt - tcpdump

```
$ tcpdump -n -r icmp.pcap
reading from file icmp.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
20:30:28.203723 IP 172.16.2.1 > 172.16.2.2: ICMP echo request, id 20822, seq 44313, length 44
20:30:28.204282 IP 172.16.2.2 > 172.16.2.1: ICMP echo reply, id 20822, seq 44313, length 44
20:30:28.844237 IP 192.168.2.108 > 173.194.75.104: ICMP echo request, id 1, seq 5, length 40
20:30:28.871534 IP 173.194.75.104 > 192.168.2.108: ICMP echo reply, id 1, seq 5, length 40
20:30:29.213917 IP 172.16.2.1 > 172.16.2.2: ICMP echo request, id 20822, seq 44569, length 44
20:30:29.214475 IP 172.16.2.2 > 172.16.2.1: ICMP echo reply, id 20822, seq 44569, length 44
20:30:29.850913 IP 192.168.2.108 > 173.194.75.104: ICMP echo request, id 1, seq 6, length 40
20:30:29.875103 IP 173.194.75.104 > 192.168.2.108: ICMP echo reply, id 1, seq 6, length 40
20:30:29.987013 IP 192.168.2.127 > 173.194.75.99: ICMP echo request, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
20:30:30.013728 IP 173.194.75.99 > 192.168.2.127: ICMP echo reply, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
```

BPF Options

- host xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx (only traffic involving a single host)
- net xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx (only traffic involving a specific network)
- port xx (only traffic involving TCP/UDP port xx)
- src (only traffic from the source)
- dst (only traffic to the destination)
- ether (only Ethernet protocols)
- tcp (only TCP traffic)
- ip (only IP traffic)
- ip6 (only IPv6 traffic)
- arp (only ARP traffic)

Tcpdump – Example

C:\ Command Prompt - tcpdump

```
$ sudo tcpdump -n -i eth1 -s 0 port 53
tcpdump: WARNING: eth1: no IPv4 address assigned
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v or -vv for full protocol decode
listening on eth1, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), capture size 65535 bytes
20:53:42.685078 IP 192.168.2.106.33348 > 172.16.2.1.53: 55862+ A? daisy.ubuntu.com. (34)
20:53:42.701421 IP 172.16.2.1.53 > 192.168.2.106.33348: 55862 2/0/0 A 91.189.95.54, A
91.189.95.55 (66)
```

C:\ Command Prompt - tcpdump

```
$ tcpdump -n -r icmp.pcap host 192.168.2.127
reading from file icmp.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
20:30:29.987013 IP 192.168.2.127 > 173.194.75.99: ICMP echo request, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
20:30:30.013728 IP 173.194.75.99 > 192.168.2.127: ICMP echo reply, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
```

C:\ Command Prompt - tcpdump

```
$ tcpdump -n -r icmp.pcap src host 192.168.2.127
reading from file icmp.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
20:30:29.987013 IP 192.168.2.127 > 173.194.75.99: ICMP echo request, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
```

Tcpdump – Example

```
Command Prompt - tcpdump

$ tcpdump -n -r icmp.pcap src net 192.168.2.0
reading from file icmp.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
20:30:28.844237 IP 192.168.2.108 > 173.194.75.104: ICMP echo request, id 1, seq 5, length 40
20:30:29.850913 IP 192.168.2.108 > 173.194.75.104: ICMP echo request, id 1, seq 6, length 40
20:30:29.987013 IP 192.168.2.127 > 173.194.75.99: ICMP echo request, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
```

- Many protocols offer BPF primitives that allow viewing of specific aspects of traffic only

```
Command Prompt - tcpdump

$ tcpdump -n -r icmp.pcap 'icmp[icmptype] = icmp-echoreply' and dst host 192.168.2.127
reading from file icmp.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
20:30:30.013728 IP 173.194.75.99 > 192.168.2.127: ICMP echo reply, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
```

Tcpdump – Details

- In addition to displaying layer 3 headers, Tcpdump can extract and display additional information about captures
 - The following output shows ❶ timestamps as YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS.milliseconds, ❷ layer 2 headers, and ❸ hex and ASCII content

```
Command Prompt - tcpdump

$ tcpdump -n ❶-tttt ❷ -e ❸-XX -r icmp.pcap 'icmp[icmptype] = icmp-echoreply' and dst host 192.168.2.127
reading from file icmp.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
2013-02-16 20:30:30.013728 00:0d:b9:27:f1:48 > 00:13:10:65:2f:ac, ethertype IPv4 (0x0800), length 98: 173.194.75.99 > 192.168.2.127: ICMP echo reply, id 47441, seq 1, length 64
0x0000: 0013 1065 2fac 000d b927 f148 0800 4500 ...e/....'.H..E.
0x0010: 0054 0000 0000 fb01 035c adc2 4b63 c0a8 .T.....\..Kc..
0x0020: 027f 0000 2092 b951 0001 65ec 1f51 0000 .....Q..e..Q..
0x0030: 0000 d30a 0f00 0000 0000 1011 1213 1415 .....
0x0040: 1617 1819 1a1b 1c1d 1e1f 2021 2223 2425 .....!"#$%
0x0050: 2627 2829 2a2b 2c2d 2e2f 3031 3233 3435 &'()*+,-./012345
0x0060: 3637                                     67
```

Examining Full Content Data with Tcpdump

- Tcpdump is often used to examine the contents of saved traces
- Combining Tcpdump with common Linux commands and scripting methods, you can search logs for specific traffic patterns and types, using BPF filter to hone your output
- The following output shows:
 1. The first file does not contain any traffic matching the BFP filter
 2. The second file contains matching traffic
 3. The traffic is a TCP SYN request
 4. The third file does not contain any matching traffic

Examining Full Content Data with Tcpdump

```
Command Prompt - tcpdump

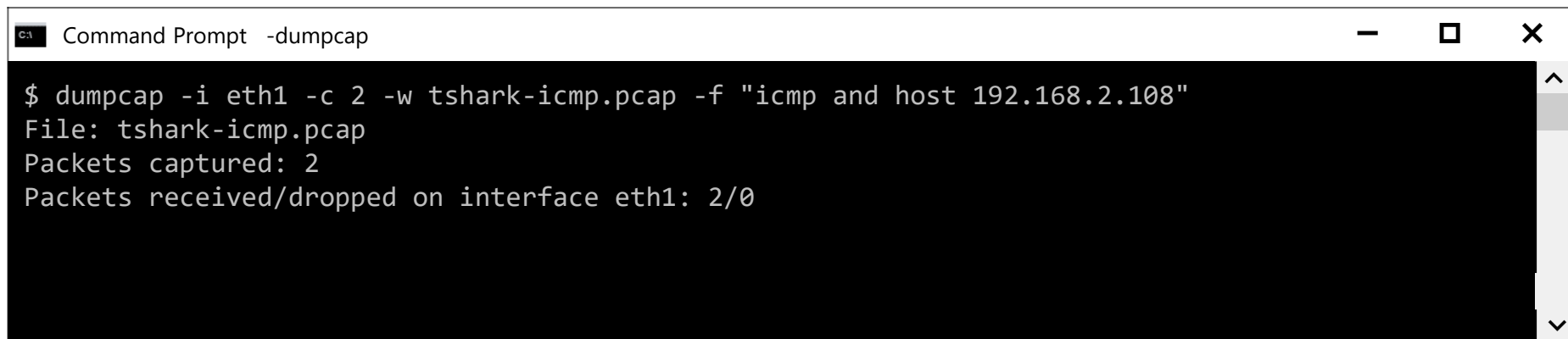
$ for i in `find /nsm/sensor_data/sademo-eth1/dailylogs/ -type f`; do tcpdump -n -c 1 -r $i
host 8.8.8.8 and tcp; done
reading from file /nsm/sensor_data/sademo-eth1/dailylogs/2013-02-16/snort.log.1361019690,
linktype
EN10MB (Ethernet) ①
reading from file /nsm/sensor_data/sademo-eth1/dailylogs/2013-02-16/snort.log.1361045719,
linktype
EN10MB (Ethernet) ②
21:02:06.430169 IP 192.168.2.126.44334 > 8.8.8.8.53:
Flags [S], seq 1330246822, win 42340, options
[mss 1460,sackOK,TS val 157066547 ecr 0,nop,wscale 11], length 0 ③
reading from file /nsm/sensor_data/sademo-eth1/dailylogs/2013-02-16/snort.log.1361017706,
linktype
EN10MB (Ethernet) ④
-- snip --
```

Dumpcap and Tshark

- Dumpcap and Tshark are tools shipped with Wireshark
 - Dumpcap is a traffic collection tool
 - Tshark is a protocol analyzer that can understand hundreds of protocols and apply filters using human friendly syntax
- Dumpcap uses the same BPF syntax as Tcpdump
- The power of Tshark (and Wireshark) are thanks to the protocol dissectors that translate the actions of protocols into easy to read headers

Dumpcap Example

- The following output shows a dumpcap capture:
 - **-i** – Listening on the interface **eth1**
 - **-c** – Limiting the capture to **two** packets
 - **-w** – Saving to the file **tshark-icmp.pcap**
 - **-f** – Applying the BPF filter “**icmp and host 192.168.2.108**” to the data stream
 - Notice that the **-s** option to specify a maximum packet length is not required

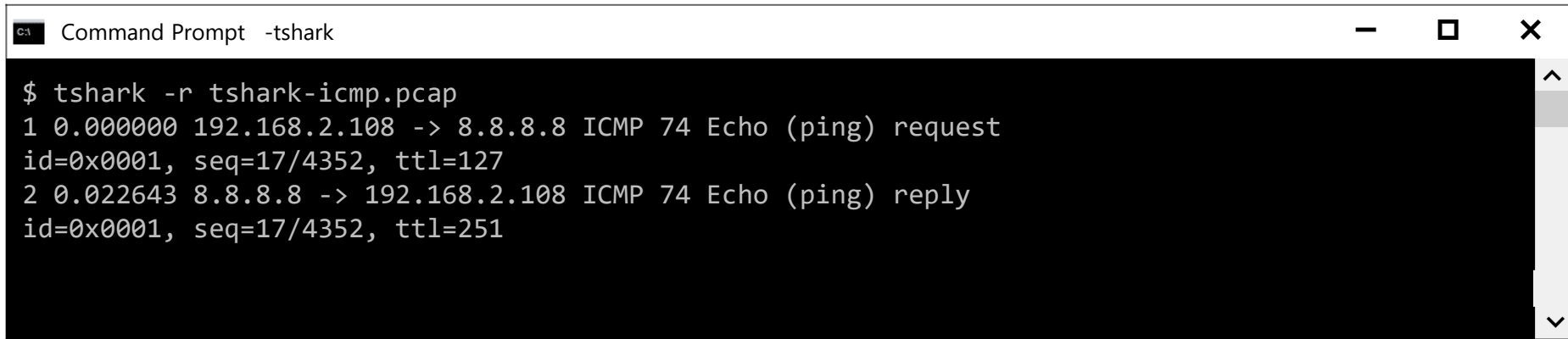


```
CA Command Prompt -dumpcap

$ dumpcap -i eth1 -c 2 -w tshark-icmp.pcap -f "icmp and host 192.168.2.108"
File: tshark-icmp.pcap
Packets captured: 2
Packets received/dropped on interface eth1: 2/0
```

Tshark Example

- Once the trace file has been created in dumpcap, you can analyze it with Tshark:



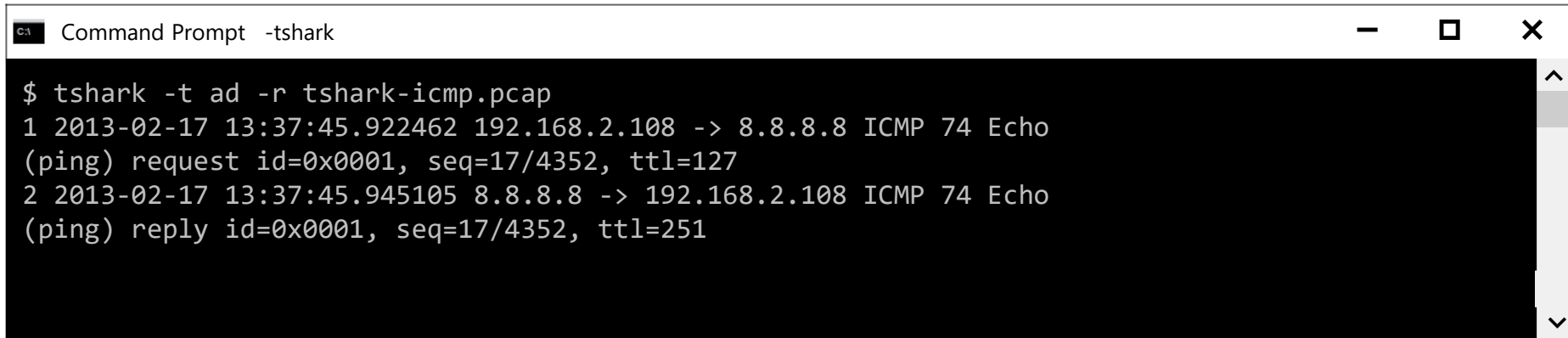
```
C:\ Command Prompt -tshark

$ tshark -r tshark-icmp.pcap
1 0.000000 192.168.2.108 -> 8.8.8.8 ICMP 74 Echo (ping) request
id=0x0001, seq=17/4352, ttl=127
2 0.022643 8.8.8.8 -> 192.168.2.108 ICMP 74 Echo (ping) reply
id=0x0001, seq=17/4352, ttl=251
```

- The output is dissimilar to Tcpdump, but should be familiar from Wireshark

Tshark Example

- By default, Tshark displays the time relative to the start of the capture
- To modify the display, use the `-t` (time) option, with the `ad` (absolute, date) parameters to display time that is easier to correlate with other actions

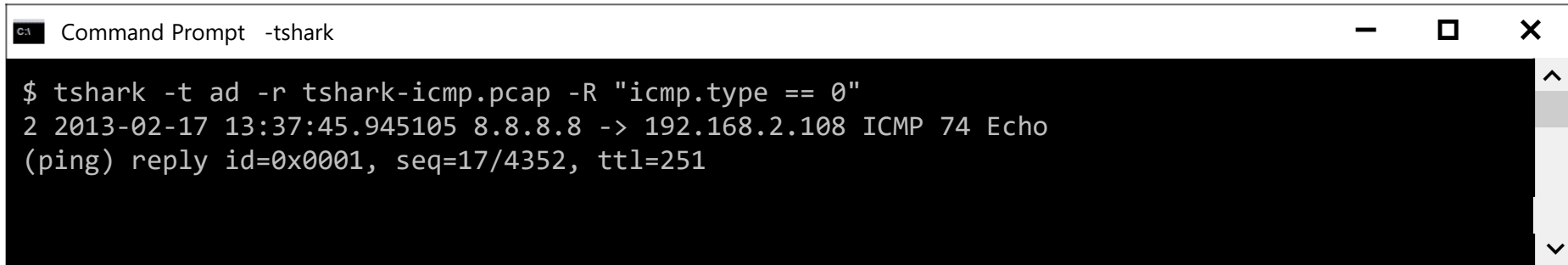


```
Command Prompt -tshark

$ tshark -t ad -r tshark-icmp.pcap
1 2013-02-17 13:37:45.922462 192.168.2.108 -> 8.8.8.8 ICMP 74 Echo
  (ping) request id=0x0001, seq=17/4352, ttl=127
2 2013-02-17 13:37:45.945105 8.8.8.8 -> 192.168.2.108 ICMP 74 Echo
  (ping) reply id=0x0001, seq=17/4352, ttl=251
```

Tshark – Display Filters

- Tshark can use display filters to limit the amount of information displayed on the screen, without affecting the capture
- The following example limits the view to show only ICMP echo replies



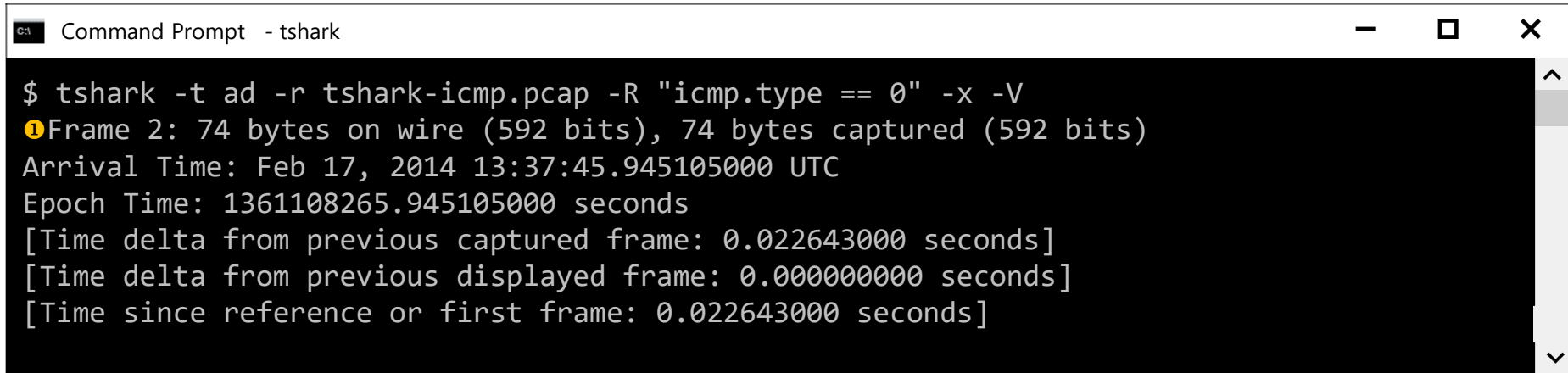
```
Command Prompt -tshark

$ tshark -t ad -r tshark-icmp.pcap -R "icmp.type == 0"
2 2013-02-17 13:37:45.945105 8.8.8.8 -> 192.168.2.108 ICMP 74 Echo
(ping) reply id=0x0001, seq=17/4352, ttl=251
```

- There are thousands of display filter options available for Tshark, a repository of available filters can be found at:
<https://www.wireshark.org/docs/dfref/>

Tshark Example

- Tshark reveals its depth of knowledge when the **-v** option is used
- Additionally, adding **-x** adds hex and ASCII output to the display



```
Command Prompt - tshark

$ tshark -t ad -r tshark-icmp.pcap -R "icmp.type == 0" -x -V
❶Frame 2: 74 bytes on wire (592 bits), 74 bytes captured (592 bits)
Arrival Time: Feb 17, 2014 13:37:45.945105000 UTC
Epoch Time: 1361108265.945105000 seconds
[Time delta from previous captured frame: 0.022643000 seconds]
[Time delta from previous displayed frame: 0.000000000 seconds]
[Time since reference or first frame: 0.022643000 seconds]
```

Tshark Example

C:\ Command Prompt - tshark

```
Frame Number: 2
Frame Length: 74 bytes (592 bits)
Capture Length: 74 bytes (592 bits)
[Frame is marked: False]
[Frame is ignored: False]
[Protocols in frame: eth:ip:icmp:data]
② Ethernet II, Src: PcEngine_27:f1:48 (00:0d:b9:27:f1:48), Dst: Cisco-Li_65:2f:ac
(00:13:10:65:2f:ac)
Destination: Cisco-Li_65:2f:ac (00:13:10:65:2f:ac)
Address: Cisco-Li_65:2f:ac (00:13:10:65:2f:ac)
.... 0 .... = IG bit: Individual address (unicast)
.... 0. .... = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
Source: PcEngine_27:f1:48 (00:0d:b9:27:f1:48)
Address: PcEngine_27:f1:48 (00:0d:b9:27:f1:48)
.... 0 .... = IG bit: Individual address (unicast)
.... 0. .... = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
Type: IP (0x0800)
③ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 8.8.8.8 (8.8.8.8), Dst: 192.168.2.108 (192.168.2.108)
Version: 4
```

Tshark Example

C:\ Command Prompt - tshark

```
Header length: 20 bytes
Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP 0x00: Default; ECN: 0x00: Not-ECT (Not
ECN-Capable Transport))
0000 00.. = Differentiated Services Codepoint: Default (0x00)
.... ..00 = Explicit Congestion Notification: Not-ECT (Not ECN-Capable Transport)
(0x00)
Total Length: 60
Identification: 0x0000 (0)
Flags: 0x00
0... .... = Reserved bit: Not set
.0.. .... = Don't fragment: Not set
..0. .... = More fragments: Not set
Fragment offset: 0
Time to live: 251
Protocol: ICMP (1)
Header checksum: 0xec9c [correct]
[Good: True]
[Bad: False]
Source: 8.8.8.8 (8.8.8.8)
```

Tshark Example

C:\ Command Prompt - tshark

Destination: 192.168.2.108 (192.168.2.108)

4 Internet Control Message Protocol

Type: 0 (Echo (ping) reply)

Code: 0

Checksum: 0x554a [correct]

Identifier (BE): 1 (0x0001)

Identifier (LE): 256 (0x0100)

Sequence number (BE): 17 (0x0011)

Sequence number (LE): 4352 (0x1100)

[Response To: 1]

[Response Time: 22.643 ms]

Data (32 bytes)

Data: 6162636465666768696a6b6c6d6e6f707172737475767761...

[Length: 32]

5 0000 00 13 10 65 2f ac 00 0d b9 27 f1 48 08 00 45 00 ...e/....'.H..E.
0010 00 3c 00 00 00 00 fb 01 ec 9c 08 08 08 08 c0 a8 .<.....
0020 02 6c 00 00 55 4a 00 01 00 11 61 62 63 64 65 66 .l..UJ....abcdef
0030 67 68 69 6a 6b 6c 6d 6e 6f 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 ghijklmnopqrstuv
0040 77 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 wabcdefghijkl

Examining Full Content Data with Tshark

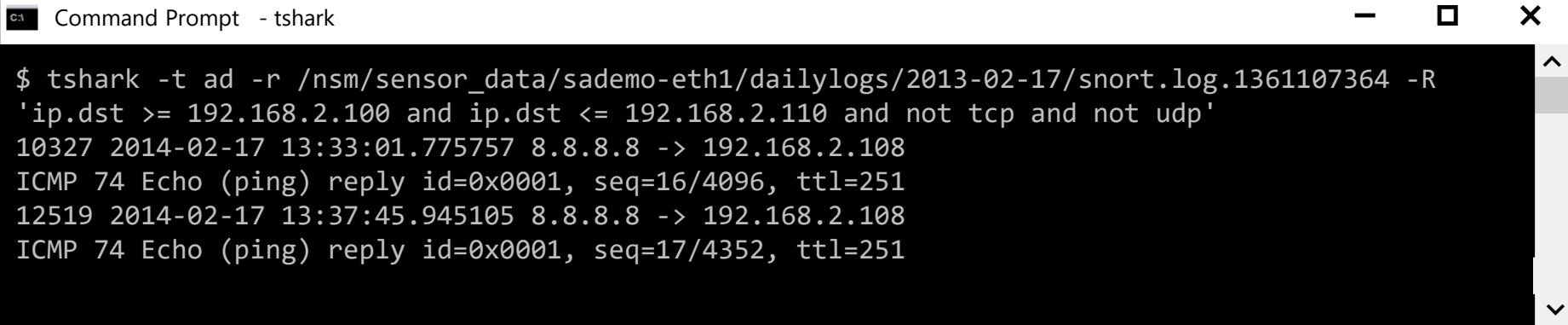
- Similarly to Tcpdump, Tshark can be combined with common Linux commands and scripting to deliver powerful searches through full content data
- One additional advantage of Tshark is the number of available display filters and the flexible configuration options
- To use a loop to search a directory for an HTTP GET request generated by Curl and list the relevant trace file:

Command Prompt - tshark

```
$ for i in `find /nsm/sensor_data/sademo-eth1/dailylogs/2013-02-17/ -type f`; do echo $i;  
tshark -t ad -r $i -R 'http.user_agent contains "curl" and http.request.method == GET'; done  
/nsm/sensor_data/sademo-eth1/dailylogs/2013-02-17/snort.log.1361107364  
143841 2014-02-17 14:26:43.875022 192.168.2.127 -> 217.160.51.31 HTTP 223 GET / HTTP/1.1
```

Examining Full Content Data with Tshark

- Tshark can also assist in finding traffic from a range of IP addresses



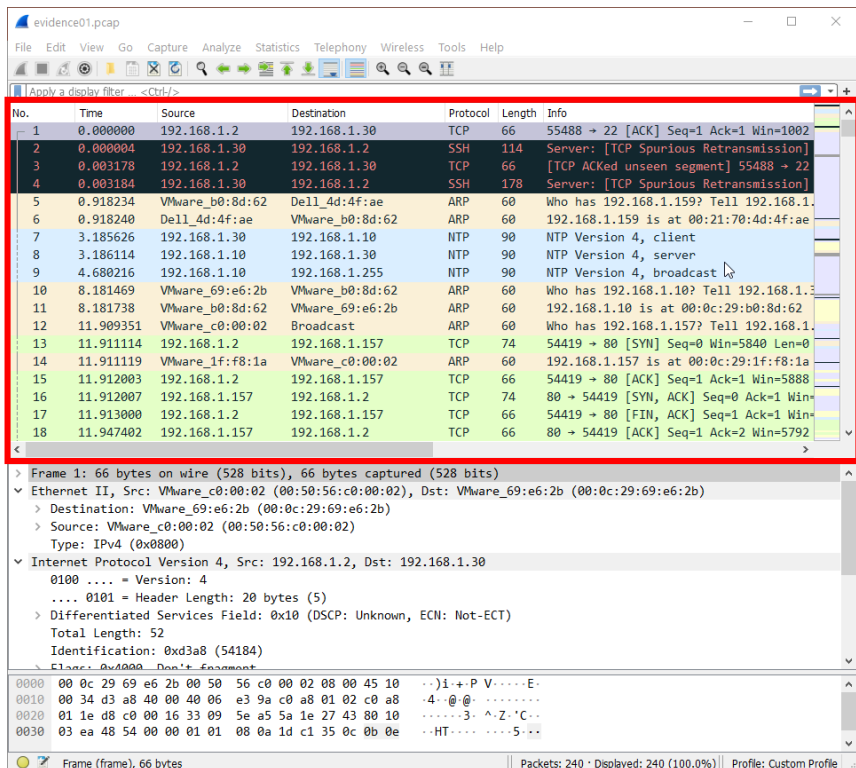
```
C:\ Command Prompt - tshark

$ tshark -t ad -r /nsm/sensor_data/sademo-eth1/dailylogs/2013-02-17/snort.log.1361107364 -R
'ip.dst >= 192.168.2.100 and ip.dst <= 192.168.2.110 and not tcp and not udp'
10327 2014-02-17 13:33:01.775757 8.8.8.8 -> 192.168.2.108
ICMP 74 Echo (ping) reply id=0x0001, seq=16/4096, ttl=251
12519 2014-02-17 13:37:45.945105 8.8.8.8 -> 192.168.2.108
ICMP 74 Echo (ping) reply id=0x0001, seq=17/4352, ttl=251
```

Wireshark

- Wireshark is the go-to network protocol analyzer for GUI environments
- Like CLI-based tools, Wireshark can display packet headers, content and analyze the details of communications
- Unlike CLI-based tools, Wireshark can also generate reports and graphs that incorporate visual elements to better represent data
- Wireshark is used interactively, with data related to packets updated in real time

Wireshark Interface – Packet List Pane



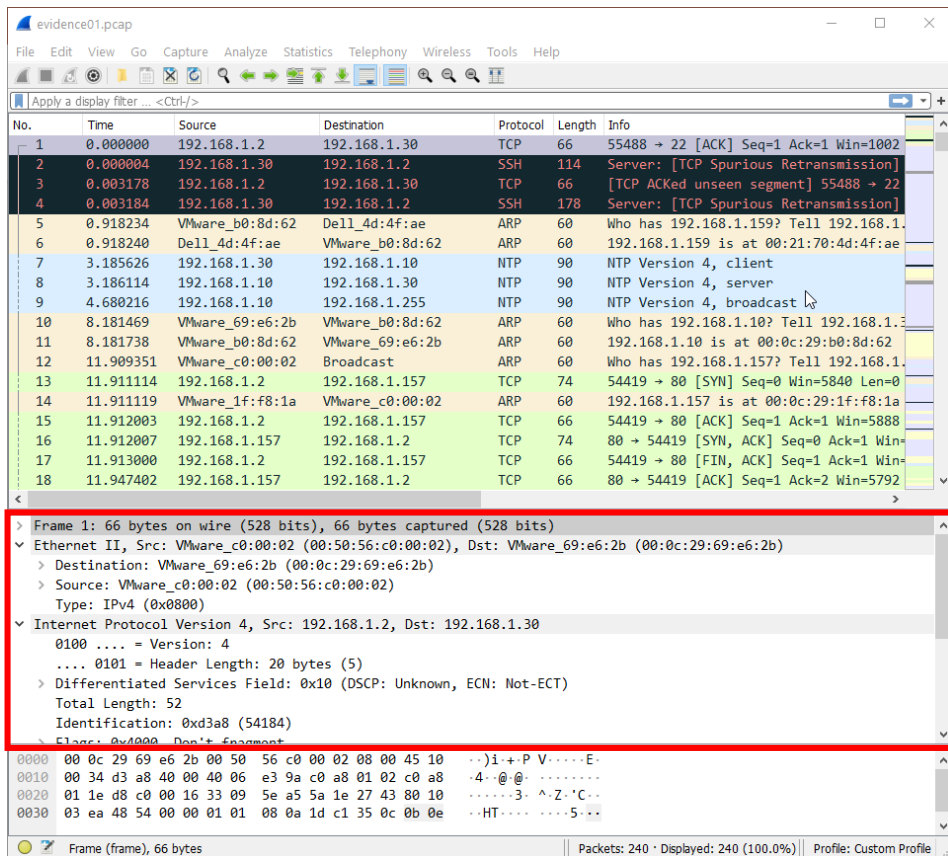
Symbol	Description
	First packet in a conversation.
	Part of the selected conversation.
	Not part of the selected conversation.
	Last packet in a conversation.
	Request
	Response
	The selected packet acknowledges this packet.
	The selected packet is a duplicate acknowledgement of this packet.
	The selected packet is related to this packet in some other way, e.g. as part of reassembly.

Lists all the packets captured including:

- The timestamp of the packet
- Source and destination IP addresses

- Protocol
- Packet length
- Packet info summary

Wireshark Interface – Packet Details Pane



Lists all the packets captured including:

- Time difference between packets received
- Source and destination IP addresses
- Protocol
- Packet length
- Protocol fields

Wireshark Interface – Packet Bytes Pane

The screenshot shows the Wireshark interface with the following details:

- Packet List:** A table of captured packets with columns for No., Time, Source, Destination, Protocol, Length, and Info. Packet 18 is selected.
- Packet Details:** A tree view showing the structure of the selected packet (Frame 1: 66 bytes on wire (528 bits), 66 bytes captured (528 bits)). The tree includes Ethernet II, Internet Protocol Version 4, and the raw packet data.
- Packet Bytes Pane:** A pane at the bottom showing the raw packet data in hexadecimal and ASCII. The data is displayed in a table with columns for offset, hexadecimal, and ASCII. The data is highlighted with a red border.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.30	TCP	66	55488 → 22 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=1002
2	0.000004	192.168.1.30	192.168.1.2	SSH	114	Server: [TCP Spurious Retransmission]
3	0.003178	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.30	TCP	66	[TCP ACKed unseen segment] 55488 → 22
4	0.003184	192.168.1.30	192.168.1.2	SSH	178	Server: [TCP Spurious Retransmission]
5	0.918234	VMware_b0:8d:62	Dell_4d:4f:ae	ARP	60	Who has 192.168.1.159? Tell 192.168.1.159
6	0.918240	Dell_4d:4f:ae	VMware_b0:8d:62	ARP	60	192.168.1.159 is at 00:21:70:4d:4f:ae
7	3.185626	192.168.1.30	192.168.1.10	NTP	90	NTP Version 4, client
8	3.186114	192.168.1.10	192.168.1.30	NTP	90	NTP Version 4, server
9	4.680216	192.168.1.10	192.168.1.255	NTP	90	NTP Version 4, broadcast
10	8.181469	VMware_69:e6:2b	VMware_b0:8d:62	ARP	60	Who has 192.168.1.10? Tell 192.168.1.10
11	8.181738	VMware_b0:8d:62	VMware_69:e6:2b	ARP	60	192.168.1.10 is at 00:0c:29:b0:8d:62
12	11.909351	VMware_c0:00:02	Broadcast	ARP	60	Who has 192.168.1.157? Tell 192.168.1.157
13	11.911114	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	TCP	74	54419 → 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=5840 Len=0
14	11.911119	VMware_1f:f8:1a	VMware_c0:00:02	ARP	60	192.168.1.157 is at 00:0c:29:1f:f8:1a
15	11.912003	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	TCP	66	54419 → 80 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=5888
16	11.912007	192.168.1.157	192.168.1.2	TCP	74	80 → 54419 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=5840
17	11.913000	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	TCP	66	54419 → 80 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=5888
18	11.947402	192.168.1.157	192.168.1.2	TCP	66	80 → 54419 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=2 Win=5792

Frame 1: 66 bytes on wire (528 bits), 66 bytes captured (528 bits)

- Ethernet II, Src: VMware_c0:00:02 (00:50:56:c0:00:02), Dst: VMware_69:e6:2b (00:0c:29:69:e6:2b)
 - Destination: VMware_69:e6:2b (00:0c:29:69:e6:2b)
 - Source: VMware_c0:00:02 (00:50:56:c0:00:02)
 - Type: IPv4 (0x0800)
- Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.1.2, Dst: 192.168.1.157
 - Version: 4
 - Header Length: 20 bytes (5)
 - Differentiated Services Field: 0x10 (DSCP: Unknown, ECN: Not-ECT)
 - Total Length: 52
 - Identification: 0xd3a8 (54184)
 - Flags: 0x0000, Don't Fragment

Packet Bytes Pane:

Offset	Hex	ASCII
0000	00 0c 29 69 e6 2b 00 50 56 c0 00 02 08 00 45 10	..i+P V.....E.
0010	00 34 d3 a8 40 00 40 06 e3 9a c0 a8 01 02 c0 a8	..4..@.
0020	01 1e d8 c0 00 16 33 09 5e a5 5a 1e 27 43 80 103..^Z.C..
0030	03 ea 48 54 00 00 01 01 08 0a 1d c1 35 0c 0b 0e	..HT.....5..

Lists information inside the selected packet including:

- Incremental count or offset from the start of the selected packet
- Packet displayed in hexadecimal
- Packet displayed in ASCII

Wireshark – Display filters

- Syntax is based on expressions returning true or false
- Using with Boolean logic operators to create expressions

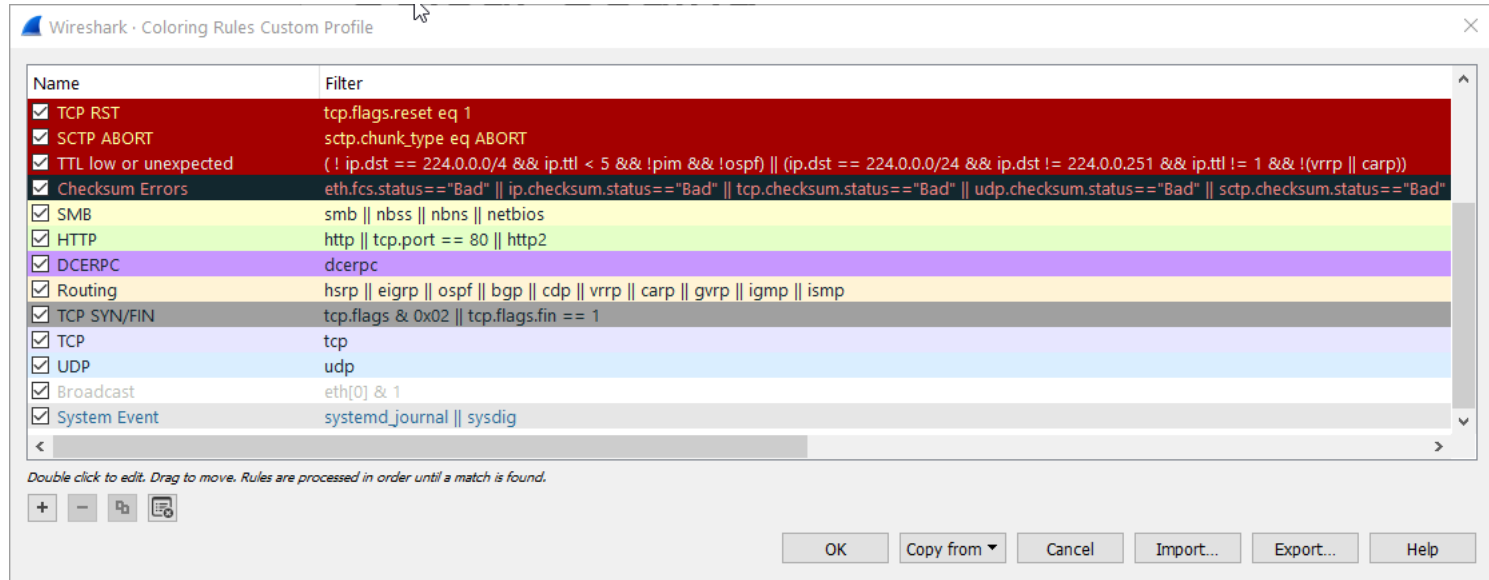
English	C-like	Description and Example
eq	==	Equal <code>ip.src eq 10.0.0.5</code>
ne	!=	Not equal <code>ip.dst != 10.0.0.20</code>
gt	>	Greater than <code>frame.len ge 10</code>
lt	<	Less than <code>frame.len < 128</code>
ge	>=	Greater than or equal to <code>frame.len ge 0x100</code>
le	<=	Less than or equal to <code>frame.len <= 0x20</code>
contains		Protocol, field or slice contains a value <code>sip.To contains "a1762"</code>
matches	~	Protocol or text field match Pearl regular expression <code>http.host matches "acme\.(org com net)"</code>
bitwise_and	&	Compare bit field value <code>tcp.flags & 0x02</code>

Wireshark – Display filters – Operators

- Using display filters requires matching operators against variables in the packet
- Expressions are combined using logical operators

English	C-like	Description and Example
and	&&	Logical AND - Returns true if both expressions are true
or		Logical OR – Returns true if one or both expressions are true
xor	^^	Exclusive OR – Returns true if only one of both expressions is true
not	!	Logical NOT – Negates the following expression
	[...]	Slice operator – With this operator a slice (substring) of the string can be accessed. dns.resp.name[1..4] accesses the first four characters of the DNS responses name
	()	Groups expressions together

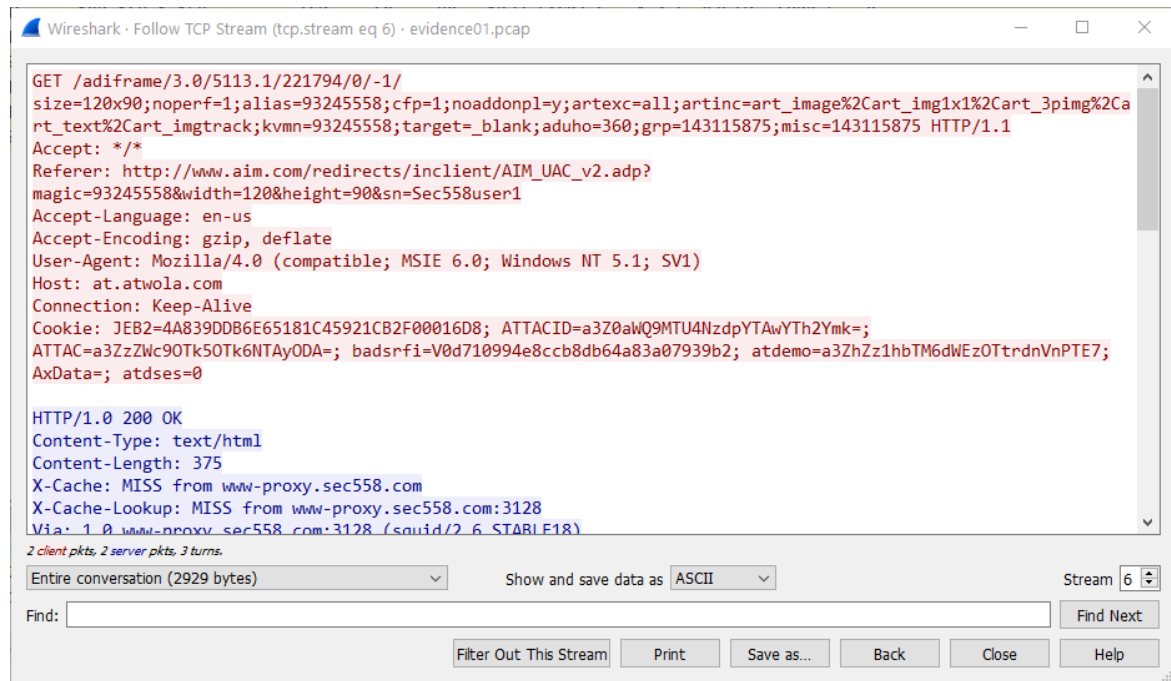
Wireshark – Colour Coding



- The packet list pane uses colours to differentiate traffic types. By default,
 - light purple is TCP traffic
 - light blue is UDP traffic
 - black identifies packets with errors

Wireshark – Viewing Streams

- To view the full conversation by protocol between the source and destination, right-click a packet and select Follow > TCP Stream.
- Closing the TCP stream window will highlight conversation in the Packet List Pane



Wireshark – Viewing Streams

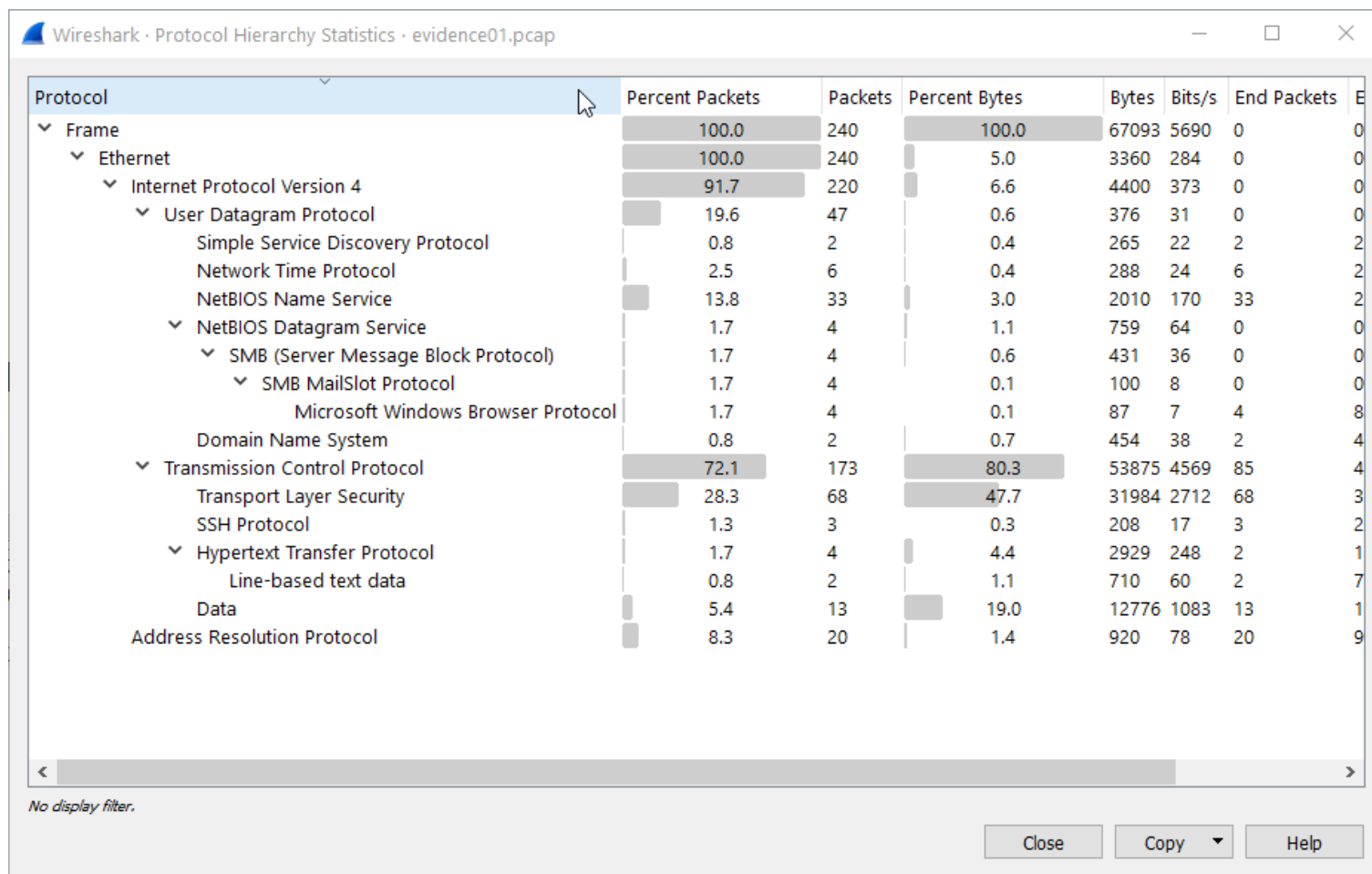
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tcp.stream eq 6

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.30	TCP	66	55488 → 22
2	0.000004	192.168.1.30	192.168.1.2	SSH	114	Server: [TCP
3	0.003178	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.30	TCP	66	[TCP ACKed u
4	0.003184	192.168.1.30	192.168.1.2	SSH	178	Server: [TCP
13	11.911114	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	TCP	74	54419 → 80
15	11.912003	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	TCP	66	54419 → 80
16	11.912007	192.168.1.157	192.168.1.2	TCP	74	80 → 54419
17	11.913000	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	TCP	66	54419 → 80
18	11.947402	192.168.1.157	192.168.1.2	TCP	66	80 → 54419
19	11.977411	192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	TCP	66	[TCP ACKed u
20	11.977416	192.168.1.157	192.168.1.2	TCP	66	80 → 54419
23	18.870898	192.168.1.158	64.12.24.50	SSL	60	Continuation
24	18.871477	64.12.24.50	192.168.1.158	TCP	60	443 → 51128
25	33.914966	192.168.1.158	64.12.24.50	SSL	243	Continuation
26	33.915486	64.12.24.50	192.168.1.158	TCP	60	443 → 51128

Wireshark Statistics – Protocol Hierarchy



Wireshark Statistics – Conversation

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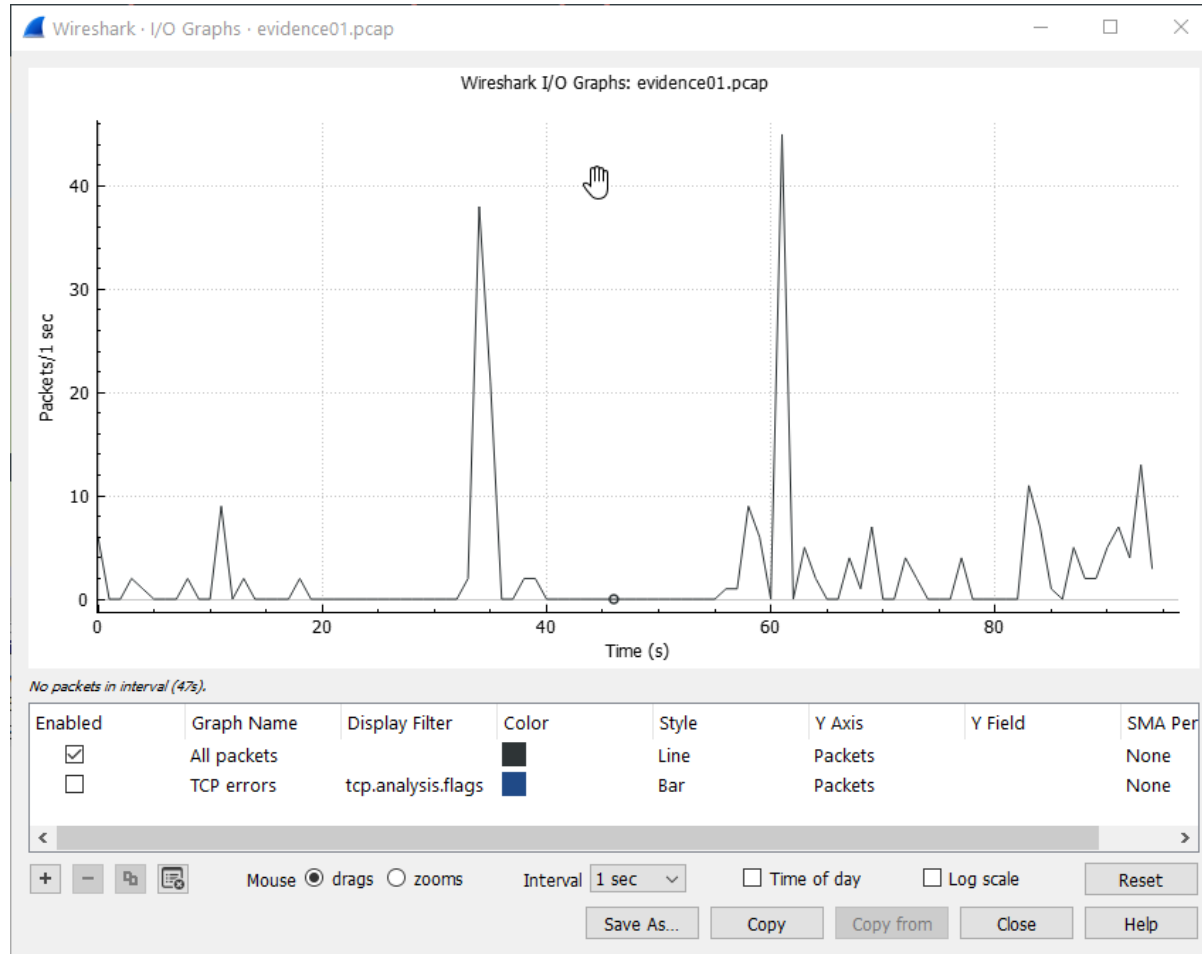
Address A	Address B	Packets	Bytes	Packets A → B	Bytes A → B	Packets B → A	Bytes B → A	Rel Start	Duration	Bits/s A → B	Bits/s B → A
10.1.1.20	192.168.1.159	2	538	1	465	1	73	93.344612	0.0027	—	—
64.12.24.50	192.168.1.158	40	4303	20	2622	20	1681	18.870898	72.1626	290	186
64.12.25.91	192.168.1.159	40	6005	24	4206	16	1799	34.025532	57.0382	589	252
64.236.68.246	192.168.1.159	10	3509	5	1545	5	1964	93.356969	0.3618	34 k	43 k
192.168.1.2	192.168.1.30	5	538	3	246	2	292	0.000000	94.3298	20	24
192.168.1.2	192.168.1.157	7	478	4	272	3	206	11.911114	0.0663	32 k	24 k
192.168.1.10	192.168.1.30	2	180	1	90	1	90	3.185626	0.0005	—	—
192.168.1.10	192.168.1.255	2	180	2	180	0	0	4.680216	63.9993	22	0
192.168.1.10	192.168.1.158	2	180	1	90	1	90	73.079330	0.0004	—	—
192.168.1.157	192.168.1.255	25	2847	25	2847	0	0	59.597650	34.6524	657	0
192.168.1.158	239.255.255.250	2	349	2	349	0	0	56.425051	1.0021	2786	0
192.168.1.158	192.168.1.159	24	14 k	15	13 k	9	1042	61.052925	0.2848	367 k	29 k
192.168.1.159	205.188.13.12	47	31 k	16	1451	31	29 k	34.211454	1.2039	9642	197 k
192.168.1.159	192.168.1.255	12	1476	12	1476	0	0	84.245569	10.0045	1180	0

☐ Name resolution ☐ Limit to display filter ☐ Absolute start time

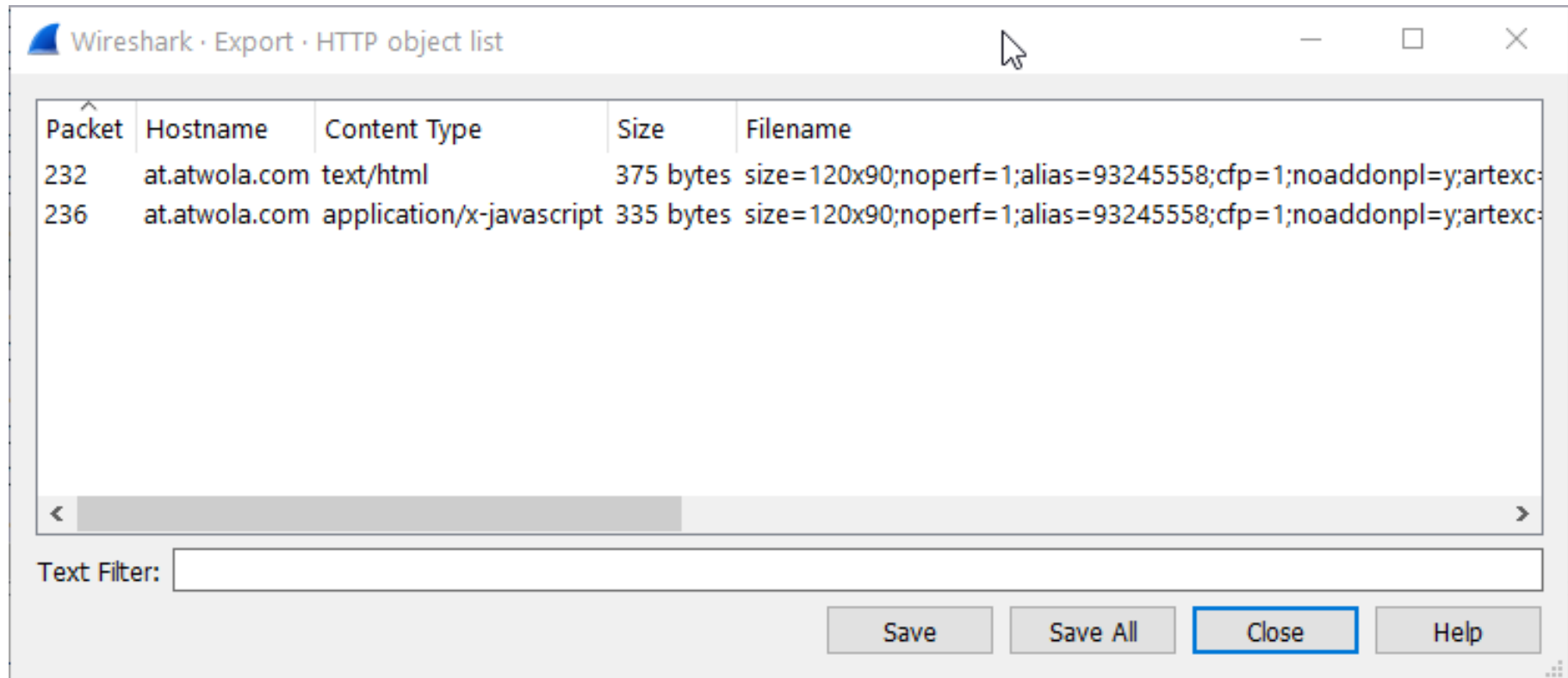
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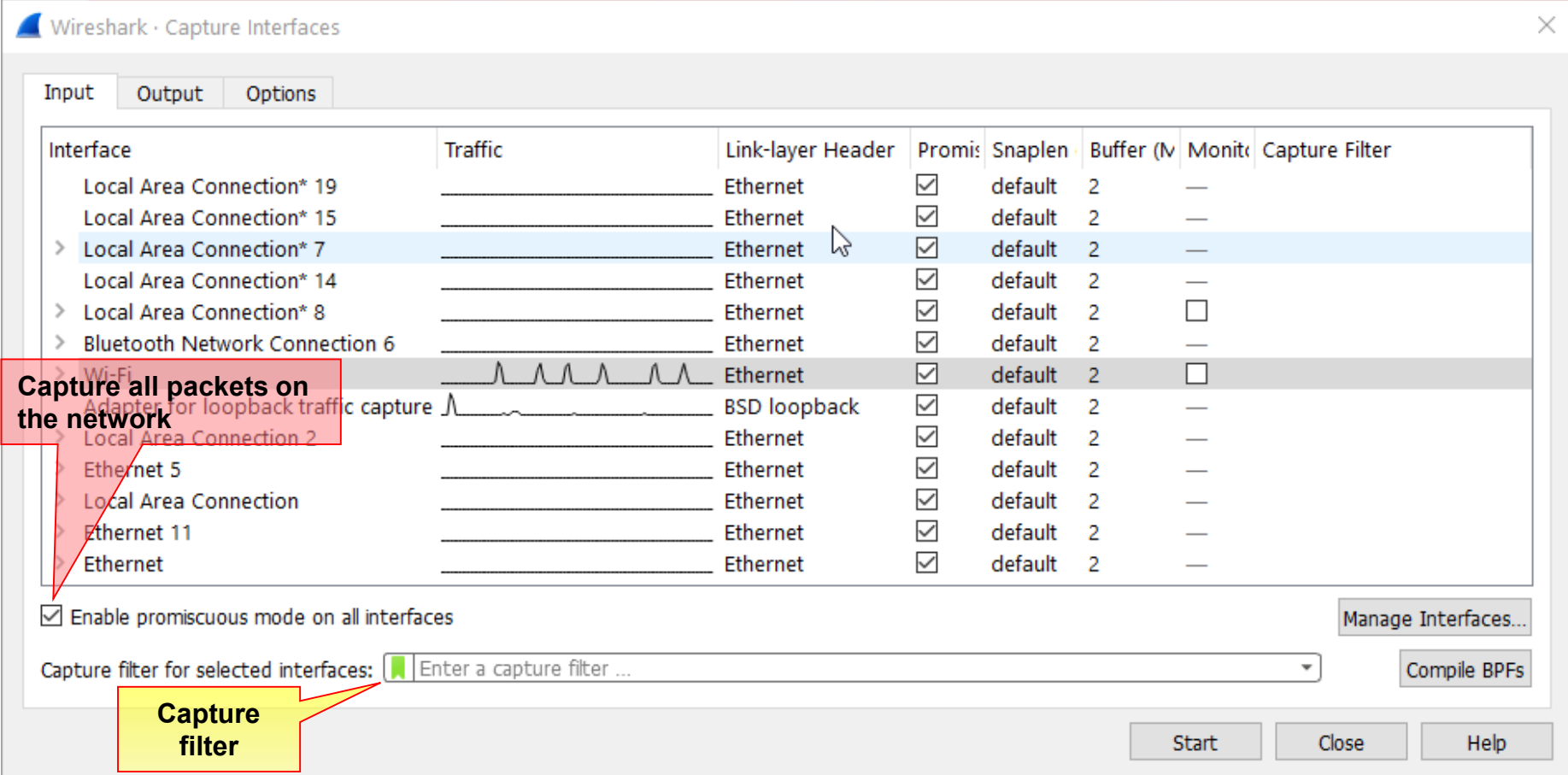
Wireshark Statistics – IO Graph



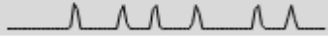
Wireshark – Export Objects



Wireshark – Capture Options



The image shows the 'Wireshark · Capture Interfaces' dialog box. It has three tabs: 'Input', 'Output', and 'Options', with 'Input' selected. The main area is a table with columns: Interface, Traffic, Link-layer Header, Promisc, Snaplen, Buffer (K), Monitor, and Capture Filter. A red callout box points to the 'Interface' column with the text 'Capture all packets on the network'. A yellow callout box points to the 'Capture filter' input field with the text 'Capture filter'. The 'Wi-Fi Adapter for loopback traffic capture' interface is highlighted in grey. At the bottom, there is a checkbox for 'Enable promiscuous mode on all interfaces', a 'Manage Interfaces...' button, a 'Capture filter for selected interfaces:' label, an input field for the filter, a 'Compile BPFs' button, and 'Start', 'Close', and 'Help' buttons.

Interface	Traffic	Link-layer Header	Promisc	Snaplen	Buffer (K)	Monitor	Capture Filter
Local Area Connection* 19		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
Local Area Connection* 15		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
> Local Area Connection* 7		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
Local Area Connection* 14		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
> Local Area Connection* 8		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	
> Bluetooth Network Connection 6		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
> Wi-Fi Adapter for loopback traffic capture		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	
> Local Area Connection 2		BSD loopback	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
Ethernet 5		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
Local Area Connection		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
Ethernet 11		Ethernet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	default	2	—	
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☒ Enable promiscuous mode on all interfaces

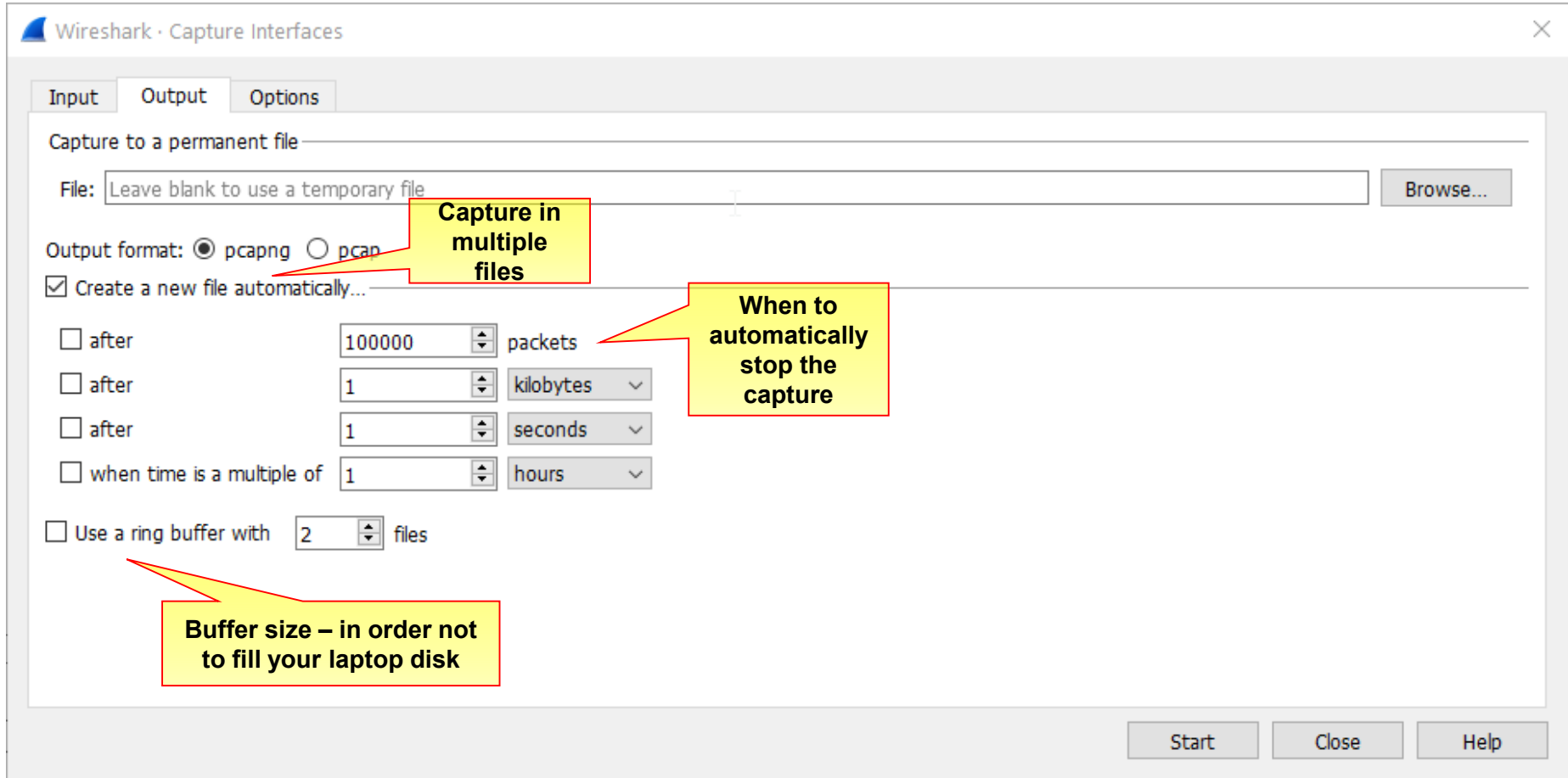
Manage Interfaces...

Capture filter for selected interfaces:

Compile BPFs

Start Close Help

Wireshark – Capture Options



Summary

- Packet analysis tools help analysts to identify traffic patterns present on a network
- Tcpdump can interpret and decode the protocols used at various layers of the OSI model
- Tcpdump and Dumpcap apply filters in the Berkley Packet Filter (BPF) format to reduce the amount of information an analyst must sift through
- Tshark utilizes human-friendly display filters instead of the BPF syntax
- Wireshark is a flexible tool used by analysts to understand network traffic
- Wireshark has access to thousands of display filters
- Wireshark can generate a variety of statistics

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