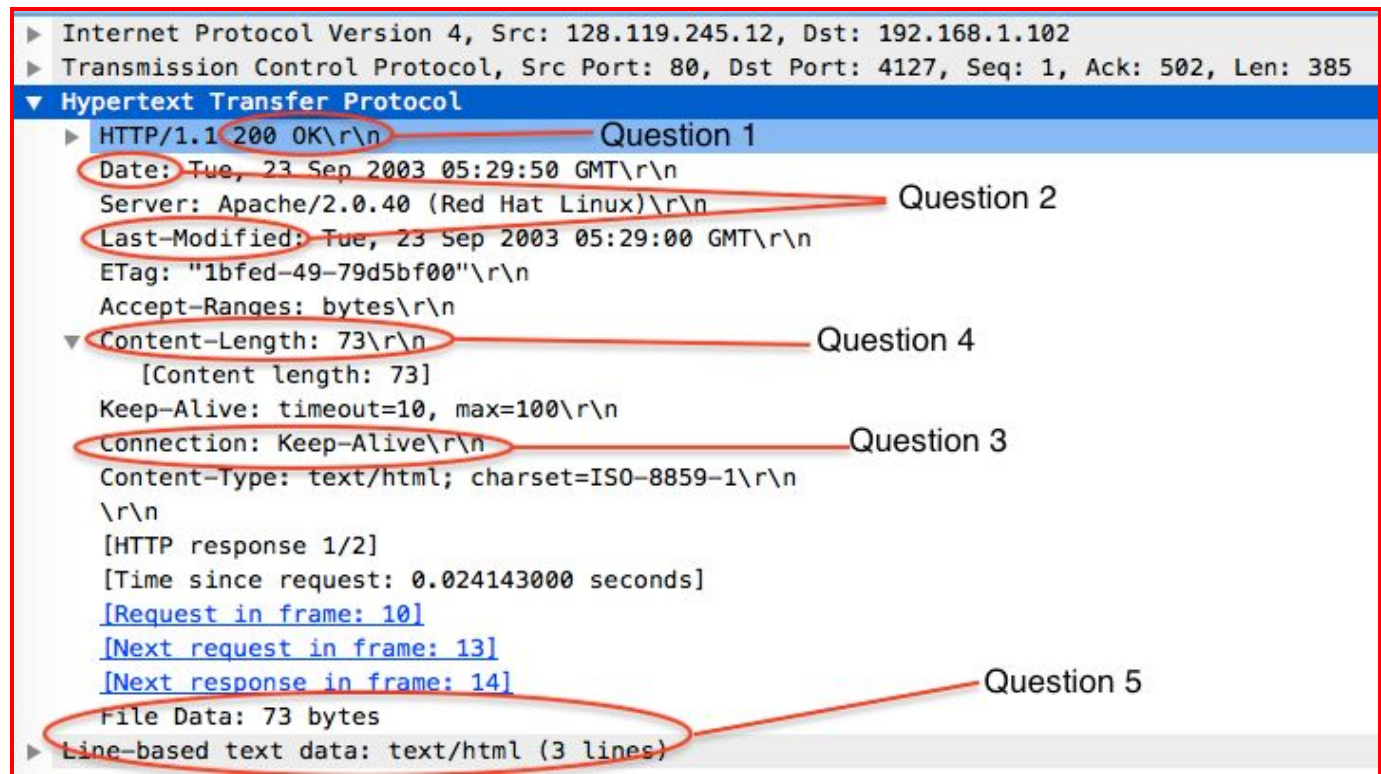


## Lab03 - z5119666

### Exercise 3: Using Wireshark to understand basic HTTP request/response messages



Question 1: What is the status code and phrase returned from the server to the client browser?

Ans: It is "200 OK". Standard response to successful HTTP requests. Since the response contains an entity corresponding to the GET request.

Question 2: When was the HTML file that the browser is retrieving last modified at the server? Does the response also contain a DATE header? How are these two fields different?

Ans: Last-Modified: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:29:00 GMT\r\n

The response also contains a DATE header. Date: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:29:50 GMT\r\n

According to the screenshots below the table:

Different	Request	Response
Frame Number	10	12
Frame Length	555 bytes	439 bytes
Total Length	541	425
Identification	0x01cd	0xb6fa

Source	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12
Source Port	4127	80
Destination	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102
Destination Port	80	4127
TCP Payload	501 bytes	385 bytes
Protocol	GET	HTTP/1.1

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http

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
10	4.694850	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	555	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-1.html HTTP/1.1
13	4.724332	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	541	GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1
12	4.718993	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	439	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
14	4.750366	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	1395	HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found (text/html)

▶ Frame 12: 439 bytes on wire (3512 bits), 439 bytes captured (3512 bits)

▶ Ethernet II, Src: LinksysG\_da:af:73 (00:06:25:da:af:73), Dst: Dell\_4f:36:23 (00:08:74:4f:36:23)

▼ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 128.119.245.12, Dst: 192.168.1.102

0100 .... = Version: 4

.... 0101 = Header Length: 20 bytes (5)

▶ Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP: CS0, ECN: Not-ECT)

Total Length: 425

Identification: 0xb6fa (46842)

▶ Flags: 0x4000, Don't fragment

Time to live: 55

Protocol: TCP (6)

Header checksum: 0x53c2 [validation disabled]

[Header checksum status: Unverified]

Source: 128.119.245.12

Destination: 192.168.1.102

▶ Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 80, Dst Port: 4127, Seq: 1, Ack: 502, Len: 385

▼ Hypertext Transfer Protocol

▶ HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n

Date: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:29:50 GMT\r\n

Server: Apache/2.0.40 (Red Hat Linux)\r\n

Last-Modified: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:29:00 GMT\r\n

ETag: "1bfed-49-79d5bf00"\r\n

Content-Type: text/html

0000 00 08 74 4f 36 23 00 06 25 da af 73 08 00 45 00 ...t06#...%..s..E..

0010 01 a9 b6 fa 40 00 37 06 53 c2 80 77 f5 0c c0 a8 ....@.7. S..w....

0020 01 66 00 50 10 1f 6b a6 54 92 f5 32 66 a7 50 18 .f.P..k. T..2f.P..

0030 19 20 7a 1c 00 00 48 54 54 50 2f 31 2e 31 20 32 . z...HT TP/1.1 2

0040 30 30 20 4f 4b 0d 0a 44 61 74 65 3a 20 54 75 65 00 OK..D ate: Tue

0050 2c 20 32 3f 20 53 65 70 20 32 30 30 33 20 30 35 , 23 Sep 2003 05

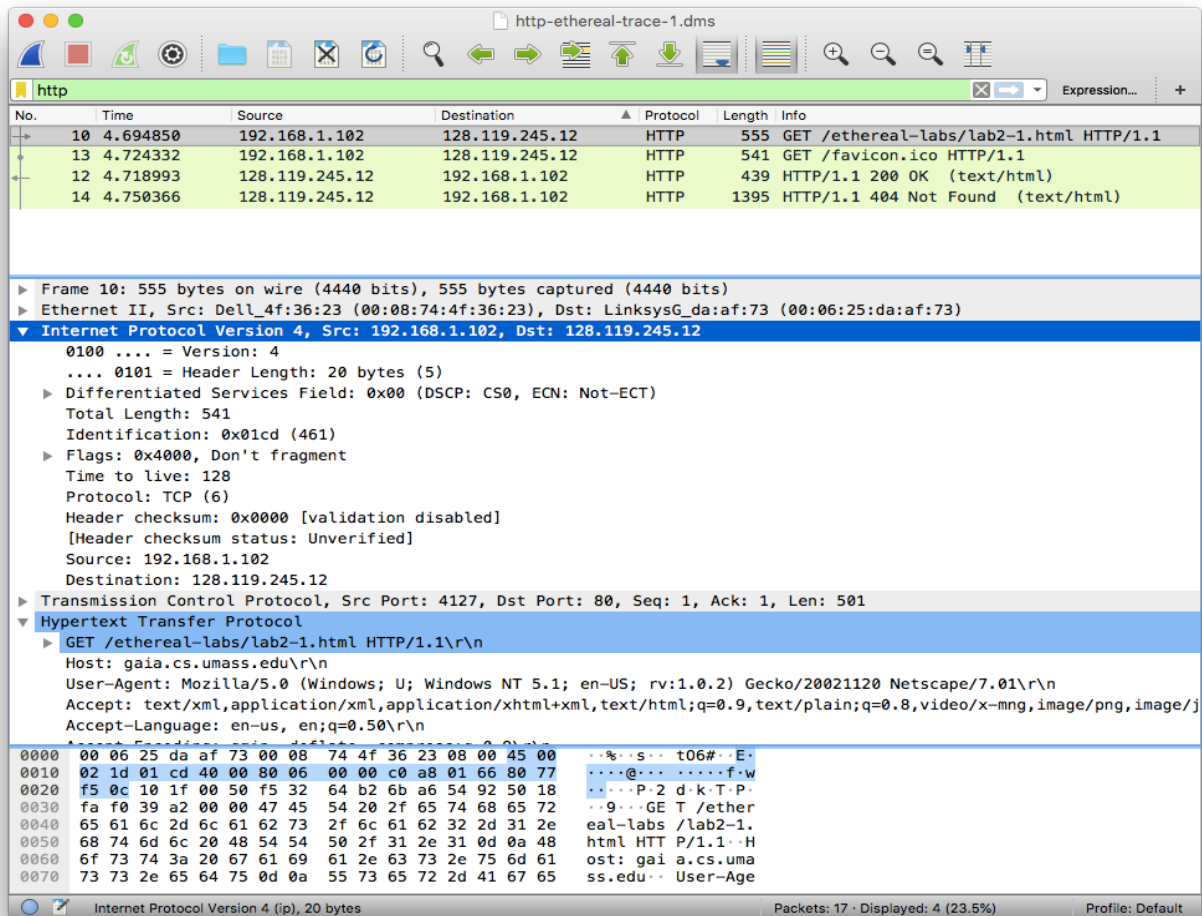
0060 3a 32 39 3a 35 30 20 47 4d 54 0d 0a 53 65 72 76 :29:50 G MT..Serv

0070 65 72 3a 20 41 70 61 63 68 65 2f 32 2e 30 2e 34 er: Apac he/2.0.4

Internet Protocol Version 4 (ip), 20 bytes

Packets: 17 · Displayed: 4 (23.5%)

Profile: Default



Question 3: Is the connection established between the browser and the server persistent or non-persistent? How can you infer this?

Ans: The connection is persistent, since It contains “Connection: keep-alive” header. In HTTP/1.1 the connection is persistent by default unless we add the “Connection: close” header to the http request. In which case the server has to close the connection the requested object has been sent.

Question 4: How many bytes of content are being returned to the browser?

Ans: Content-Length: 73

Question 5: What is the data contained inside the HTTP response packet?

Ans: File Data: 73 bytes. File(html).

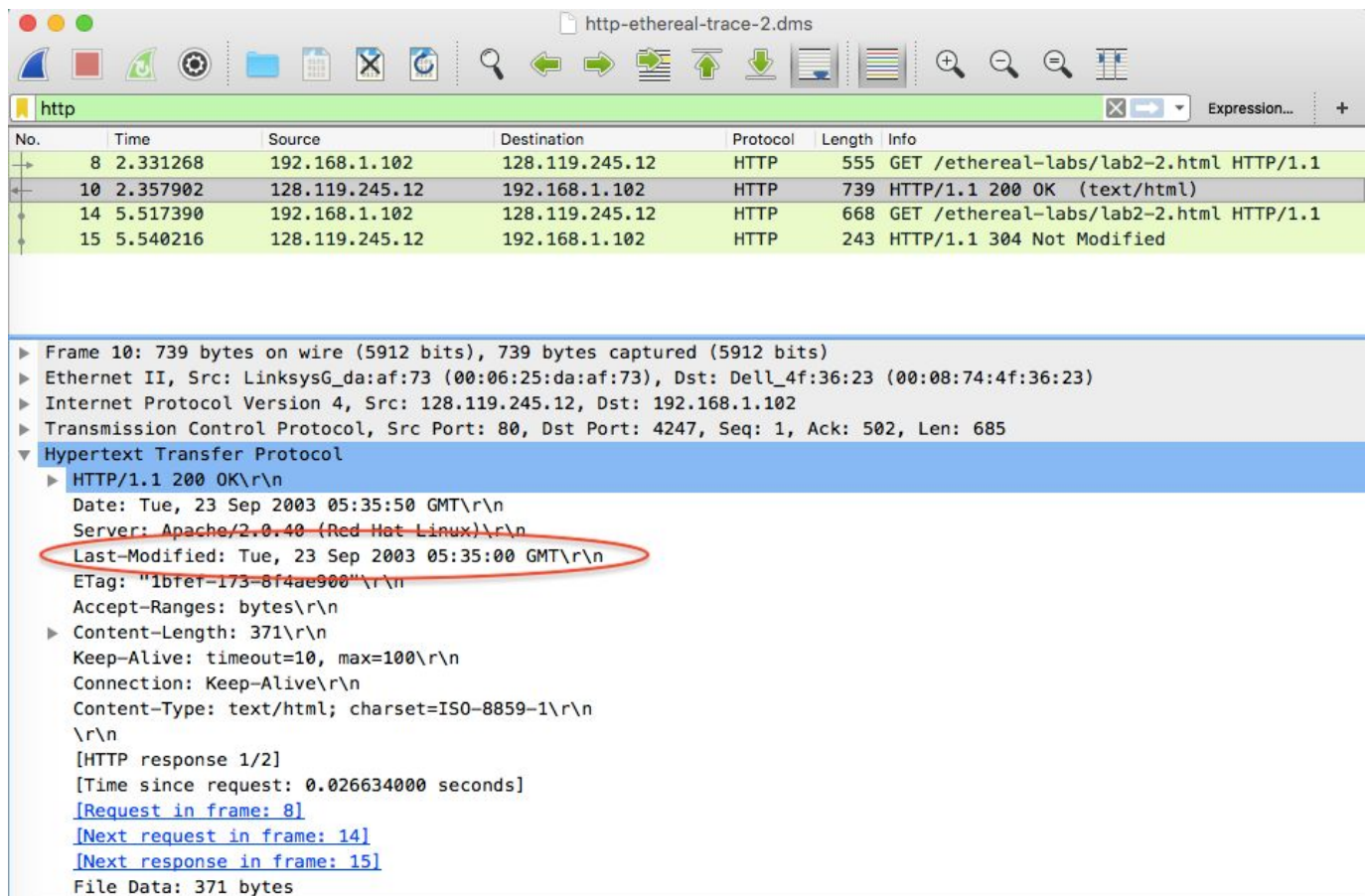
## Exercise 4: Using Wireshark to understand the HTTP CONDITIONAL GET/response interaction

Question 1: Inspect the contents of the first HTTP GET request from the browser to the server. Do you see an "IF-MODIFIED-SINCE" line in the HTTP GET?

Ans: **No, I do not see this line.**

Question 2: Does the response indicate the last time that the requested file was modified?

Ans: **Last-Modified: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:00 GMT\r\n**



Question 3: Now inspect the contents of the second HTTP GET request from the browser to the server. Do you see an "IF-MODIFIED-SINCE:" and "IF-NONE-MATCH" lines in the HTTP GET? If so, what information is contained in these header lines?

Ans:

**IF-MODIFIED-SINCE: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:00 GMT\r\n**

**IF-NONE-MATCH: "1bfef-173-8f4ae900"\r\n**



http-ethereal-trace-2.dms

http

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
8	2.331268	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	555	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
10	2.357902	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	739	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
14	5.517390	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	668	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
15	5.540216	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	243	HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified

Frame 14: 668 bytes on wire (5344 bits), 668 bytes captured (5344 bits)

Ethernet II, Src: Dell\_4f:36:23 (00:08:74:4f:36:23), Dst: LinksysG\_da:af:73 (00:06:25:da:af:73)

Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.1.102, Dst: 128.119.245.12

Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 4247, Dst Port: 80, Seq: 502, Ack: 686, Len: 614

Hypertext Transfer Protocol

GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1\r\n

Host: gaia.cs.umass.edu\r\n

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows; U; Windows NT 5.1; en-US; rv:1.0.2) Gecko/20021120 Netscape/7.01\r\n

Accept: text/xml,application/xml,application/xhtml+xml,text/html;q=0.9,text/plain;q=0.8,video/x-mng,image/png,image/j

Accept-Language: en-us, en;q=0.50\r\n

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, compress;q=0.9\r\n

Accept-Charset: ISO-8859-1, utf-8;q=0.66, \*;q=0.66\r\n

Keep-Alive: 300\r\n

Connection: keep-alive\r\n

If-Modified-Since: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:00 GMT\r\n

If-None-Match: "1bfef-173-8f4ae900"\r\n

Cache-Control: max-age=0\r\n

\r\n

[Full request URI: http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html]

[HTTP request 2/2]

[Prev request in frame: 8]

[Response in frame: 15]

Question 4: What is the HTTP status code and phrase returned from the server in response to this second HTTP GET? Did the server explicitly return the contents of the file? Explain.

304 Not Modified. Indicates that the resource has not been modified since the version specified by the request headers IF-MODIFIED-SINCE or IF-NONE-MATCH. In such case, there is no need to retransmit the resource since the client still has a previously-downloaded co

http-ethereal-trace-2.dms

http

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
8	2.331268	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	555	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
10	2.357902	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	739	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
14	5.517390	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	668	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
15	5.540216	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	243	HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified

Frame 15: 243 bytes on wire (1944 bits), 243 bytes captured (1944 bits)

Ethernet II, Src: LinksysG\_da:af:73 (00:06:25:da:af:73), Dst: Dell\_4f:36:23 (00:08:74:4f:36:23)

Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 128.119.245.12, Dst: 192.168.1.102

Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 80, Dst Port: 4247, Seq: 686, Ack: 1116, Len: 189

Hypertext Transfer Protocol

HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified\r\n

Date: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:53 GMT\r\n

Server: Apache/2.0.40 (Red Hat Linux)\r\n

Connection: Keep-Alive\r\n

Keep-Alive: timeout=10, max=99\r\n

ETag: "1bfef-173-8f4ae900"\r\n

\r\n

[HTTP response 2/2]

[Time since request: 0.022826000 seconds]

[Prev request in frame: 8]

[Prev response in frame: 10]

[Request in frame: 14]

Question 5: What is the value of the Etag field in the 2nd response message and how it is used? Has this value changed since the 1st response message was received?

Value: 1bfef-173-8f4ae900

This value has not changed.

The screenshot shows the Wireshark interface with the file 'http-ethereal-trace-2.dms' open. The packet list pane shows five packets. Packet 10 is selected, showing an HTTP 200 OK response from 128.119.245.12 to 192.168.1.102. The packet details pane for Frame 10 shows the Hypertext Transfer Protocol section with the following fields: HTTP/1.1 200 OK, Date: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:50 GMT, Server: Apache/2.0.40 (Red Hat Linux), Last-Modified: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:00 GMT, and ETag: "1bfef-173-8f4ae900". The ETag field is circled in red. The packet bytes pane shows the raw data of the response.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
8	2.331268	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	555	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
10	2.357902	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	739	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
14	5.517390	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	668	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
15	5.540216	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	243	HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified

Frame 10: 739 bytes on wire (5912 bits), 739 bytes captured (5912 bits)  
Ethernet II, Src: LinksysG\_da:af:73 (00:06:25:da:af:73), Dst: Dell\_4f:36:23 (00:08:74:4f:36:23)  
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 128.119.245.12, Dst: 192.168.1.102  
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 80, Dst Port: 4247, Seq: 1, Ack: 502, Len: 685  
Hypertext Transfer Protocol  
HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\nDate: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:50 GMT\r\nServer: Apache/2.0.40 (Red Hat Linux)\r\nLast-Modified: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:00 GMT\r\nETag: "1bfef-173-8f4ae900"\r\nAccept-Ranges: bytes\r\nContent-Length: 371\r\nKeep-Alive: timeout=10, max=100\r\nConnection: Keep-Alive\r\nContent-Type: text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1\r\n\r\n[HTTP response 1/2]  
[Time since request: 0.026634000 seconds]  
[\[Request in frame: 8\]](#)  
[\[Next request in frame: 14\]](#)  
[\[Next response in frame: 15\]](#)  
File Data: 371 bytes

The screenshot shows the Wireshark interface with the file 'http-ethereal-trace-2.dms' open. The packet list pane shows five packets. Packet 15 is selected, showing an HTTP 304 Not Modified response from 128.119.245.12 to 192.168.1.102. The packet details pane for Frame 15 shows the Hypertext Transfer Protocol section with the following fields: HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified, Date: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:53 GMT, Server: Apache/2.0.40 (Red Hat Linux), Connection: Keep-Alive, Keep-Alive: timeout=10, max=99, and ETag: "1bfef-173-8f4ae900". The ETag field is circled in red. The packet bytes pane shows the raw data of the response.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
8	2.331268	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	555	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
10	2.357902	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	739	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
14	5.517390	192.168.1.102	128.119.245.12	HTTP	668	GET /ethereal-labs/lab2-2.html HTTP/1.1
15	5.540216	128.119.245.12	192.168.1.102	HTTP	243	HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified

Frame 15: 243 bytes on wire (1944 bits), 243 bytes captured (1944 bits)  
Ethernet II, Src: LinksysG\_da:af:73 (00:06:25:da:af:73), Dst: Dell\_4f:36:23 (00:08:74:4f:36:23)  
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 128.119.245.12, Dst: 192.168.1.102  
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 80, Dst Port: 4247, Seq: 686, Ack: 1116, Len: 189  
Hypertext Transfer Protocol  
HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified\r\nDate: Tue, 23 Sep 2003 05:35:53 GMT\r\nServer: Apache/2.0.40 (Red Hat Linux)\r\nConnection: Keep-Alive\r\nKeep-Alive: timeout=10, max=99\r\nETag: "1bfef-173-8f4ae900"\r\n\r\n[HTTP response 2/2]  
[Time since request: 0.022826000 seconds]  
[\[Prev request in frame: 8\]](#)  
[\[Prev response in frame: 10\]](#)  
[\[Request in frame: 14\]](#)



## Exercise 6: Digging into DNS

Question 1. What is the IP address of [www.cecs.anu.edu.au](http://www.cecs.anu.edu.au) . What type of DNS query is sent to get this answer?

Ans: The IP address is 150.203.161.98. The type is A.

```
kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$ dig www.cecs.anu.edu.au

; <<>> DiG 9.10.6 <<>> www.cecs.anu.edu.au
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 59095
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 2, AUTHORITY: 3, ADDITIONAL: 7

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600    IN      CNAME   rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.
rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.  3600    IN      A       150.203.161.98

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600    IN      NS       ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600    IN      NS       ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600    IN      NS       ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
```

Question 2. What is the canonical name for the CECS ANU web server? What is its IP address? Suggest a reason for having an alias for this server.

Ans: Canonical name: rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au Its IP address: 150.203.161.98.

Because alias host name are more memorable than canonical hostnames.

```
kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$ dig www.cecs.anu.edu.au

; <<>> DiG 9.10.6 <<>> www.cecs.anu.edu.au
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 59095
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 2, AUTHORITY: 3, ADDITIONAL: 7

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600    IN      CNAME   rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.
rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.  3600    IN      A       150.203.161.98

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600    IN      NS       ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600    IN      NS       ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600    IN      NS       ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
```

Question 3. What can you make of the rest of the response (i.e. the details available in the Authority and Additional sections)?

Ans: **AUTHORITY SECTION** contains some resource record in type NS. Their domain name are all "cecs.anu.edu.au." and their authority server name were list in the picture.

In **ADDITIONAL SECTION** , there are A/AAAA type RR of those Authoritative DNS Server list in **AUTHORITY SECTION** which showing their IPv4 or IPv6 address

```
kelly — -bash — 80x23
;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600    IN      CNAME   rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.
rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.  3600    IN      A       150.203.161.98

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.36
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::24
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.50
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::32
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.38
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::26

;; Query time: 63 msec
;; SERVER: 220.233.0.3#53(220.233.0.3)
;; WHEN: Fri Jan 18 02:50:07 AEDT 2019
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 271

kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$
```

Question 4. What is the IP address of the local nameserver for your machine?

Ans: **My local IP address: 220.233.0.3.**

```
kelly — -bash — 80x23
;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600    IN      CNAME   rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.
rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.  3600    IN      A       150.203.161.98

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.36
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::24
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.50
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::32
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.38
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::26

;; Query time: 63 msec
;; SERVER: 220.233.0.3#53(220.233.0.3)
;; WHEN: Fri Jan 18 02:50:07 AEDT 2019
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 271

kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$
```



Question 5. What are the DNS nameservers for the “cecs.anu.edu.au” domain (note: the domain name is cecs.anu.edu.au and not [www.cecs.anu.edu.au](http://www.cecs.anu.edu.au) )? Find out their IP addresses? What type of DNS query is sent to obtain this information?

Ans: The nameservers: ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au 150.203.161.36

ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au 150.203.161.50

ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au 150.203.161.38

The type of DNS query is sent to obtain this information: NS

```
kelly — -bash — 80x23

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600      IN        CNAME     rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.
rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.  3600      IN        A         150.203.161.98

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600      IN        NS        ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600      IN        NS        ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.          3600      IN        NS        ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600      IN        A         150.203.161.36
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600      IN        AAAA      2001:388:1034:2905::24
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600      IN        A         150.203.161.50
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600      IN        AAAA      2001:388:1034:2905::32
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600      IN        A         150.203.161.38
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600      IN        AAAA      2001:388:1034:2905::26

;; Query time: 63 msec
;; SERVER: 220.233.0.3#53(220.233.0.3)
;; WHEN: Fri Jan 18 02:50:07 AEDT 2019
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 271
```

Question 6. What is the DNS name associated with the IP address 149.171.158.109? What type of DNS query is sent to obtain this information?

Ans: The DNS name: [www.engineering.unsw.edu.au](http://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au)

[engplws008.ad.unsw.edu.au](http://engplws008.ad.unsw.edu.au)

[engplws008.eng.unsw.edu.au](http://engplws008.eng.unsw.edu.au)

The type of DNS query is sent: PTR

```
kelly — -bash — 80x23

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.cecs.anu.edu.au.      3600    IN      CNAME   rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.
rproxy.cecs.anu.edu.au.  3600    IN      A       150.203.161.98

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.
cecs.anu.edu.au.         3600    IN      NS      ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.36
ns2.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::24
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.50
ns3.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::32
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      A       150.203.161.38
ns4.cecs.anu.edu.au.     3600    IN      AAAA    2001:388:1034:2905::26

;; Query time: 63 msec
;; SERVER: 220.233.0.3#53(220.233.0.3)
;; WHEN: Fri Jan 18 02:50:07 AEDT 2019
;; MSG SIZE  rcvd: 271
```

Question 7. Run dig and query the CSE nameserver (129.94.242.33) for the mail servers for Yahoo! Mail (again the domain name is yahoo.com, not [www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com)). Did you get an authoritative answer? Why? (HINT: Just because a response contains information in the authoritative part of the DNS response message does not mean it came from an authoritative name server. You should examine the flags in the response to determine the answer)

Ans: No, I didn't get an authoritative answer because there's no "aa", which means getting authoritative answer does not include in the flag. This is because it does not have authority for the CSE domain.

```
kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$ dig @129.94.242.33 yahoo.com

; <<>> DiG 9.10.6 <<>> @129.94.242.33 yahoo.com
; (1 server found)
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: REFUSED, id: 47959
;; flags: qr rd; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 0, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; WARNING: recursion requested but not available

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags::; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;yahoo.com.                IN      A

;; Query time: 11 msec
;; SERVER: 129.94.242.33#53(129.94.242.33)
;; WHEN: Fri Jan 18 14:10:13 AEDT 2019
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 38

kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$
```

Question 8. Repeat the above (i.e. Question 7) but use one of the nameservers obtained in Question 5. What is the result?

Ans: Use 150.203.161.38. I no authoritative answer either.

```
kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$ dig @150.203.161.38 yahoo.com

; <<>> DiG 9.10.6 <<>> @150.203.161.38 yahoo.com
; (1 server found)
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: REFUSED, id: 56254
;; flags: qr rd; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 0, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; WARNING: recursion requested but not available

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags::; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;yahoo.com.                IN      A

;; Query time: 23 msec
;; SERVER: 150.203.161.38#53(150.203.161.38)
;; WHEN: Fri Jan 18 14:23:44 AEDT 2019
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 38

kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$
```



Question 9. Obtain the authoritative answer for the mail servers for Yahoo! mail. What type of DNS query is sent to obtain this information?

Ans: First, get the authoritative nameservers for the yahoo.com using NS type.

Then, query one of the authoritative nameservers for yahoo.com using MX type.

```
kellys-MacBook-Air:~ kelly$ dig yahoo.com NS

; <<> DiG 9.10.6 <<> yahoo.com NS
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 53660
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 5, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 9

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;yahoo.com.                IN      NS

;; ANSWER SECTION:
yahoo.com.                 129028  IN      NS      ns2.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                 129028  IN      NS      ns5.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                 129028  IN      NS      ns1.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                 129028  IN      NS      ns3.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                 129028  IN      NS      ns4.yahoo.com.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns1.yahoo.com.             1140607 IN      A       68.180.131.16
ns2.yahoo.com.             1140607 IN      A       68.142.255.16
```

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; <<>> DiG 9.10.6 <<>> @ns2.yahoo.com yahoo.com MX
; (1 server found)
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 47291
;; flags: qr aa rd; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 3, AUTHORITY: 5, ADDITIONAL: 9
;; WARNING: recursion requested but not available

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 1272
;; QUESTION SECTION:
yahoo.com.                IN      MX

;; ANSWER SECTION:
yahoo.com.                1800    IN      MX      1 mta7.am0.yahoodns.net.
yahoo.com.                1800    IN      MX      1 mta5.am0.yahoodns.net.
yahoo.com.                1800    IN      MX      1 mta6.am0.yahoodns.net.

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
yahoo.com.                172800  IN      NS      ns3.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                172800  IN      NS      ns5.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                172800  IN      NS      ns2.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                172800  IN      NS      ns1.yahoo.com.
yahoo.com.                172800  IN      NS      ns4.yahoo.com.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns1.yahoo.com.            1209600 IN      A       68.180.131.16
ns2.yahoo.com.            1209600 IN      A       68.142.255.16
ns3.yahoo.com.            1209600 IN      A       203.84.221.53
ns4.yahoo.com.            1209600 IN      A       98.138.11.157
ns5.yahoo.com.            1209600 IN      A       119.160.253.83
ns1.yahoo.com.            86400   IN      AAAA    2001:4998:130::1001
ns2.yahoo.com.            86400   IN      AAAA    2001:4998:140::1002

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Question 10. In this exercise you simulate the iterative DNS query process to find the IP address of your machine (e.g. lyre00.cse.unsw.edu.au). First, find the name server (query type NS) of the "." domain (root domain). Query this nameserver to find the authoritative name server for the "au." domain. Query this second server to find the authoritative nameserver for the "edu.au." domain. Now query this nameserver to find the authoritative nameserver for "unsw.edu.au". Next query the nameserver of unsw.edu.au to find the authoritative name server of cse.unsw.edu.au. Now query the nameserver of cse.unsw.edu.au to find the IP address of your host. How many DNS servers do you have to query to get the authoritative answer?

Ans: I need 6 DNS servers to query to get the authoritative answer.

Ask my local DNS server for root server: dig NS

Ask root for au. DNS server: dig NS au @f.root-servers.net

Ask au. for edu.au DNS server: dig NS edu.au @u.au

Ask edu.au for unsw.edu.au DNS server: dig NS unsw.edu.au @t.au

Ask unsw.edu.au for cse.unsw.edu.au DNS server: dig NS cse.unsw.edu.au @ns3.unsw.edu.au

Ask maestro.orchestra.cse.unsw.edu.au for lyre00.cse.unsw.edu.au: dig NS lyre00.cse.unsw.edu.au @maestro.orchestra.cse.unsw.edu.au

My machine IP address: 129.94.210.20

Question 11. Can one physical machine have several names and/or IP addresses associated with it?

Ans: Yes, a machine may have several network interfaces. And, a network interface can have several IP address associated with it at any given time. An IP address may have associated with several names (aliases). To obtain the canonical name for the machine, use dig with query type=cname.