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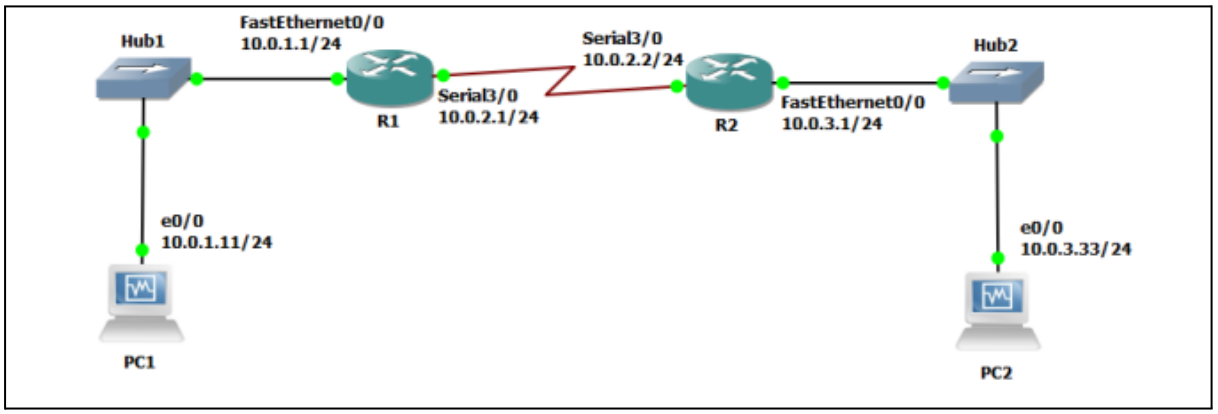
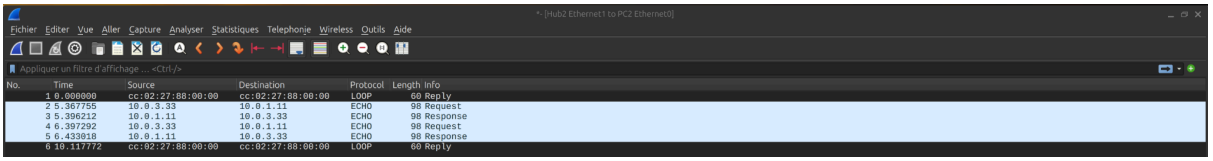
Interconnexion des réseaux - Lab 5

PART 1: Comparing UDP and TCP Performance



Exercise 1. Network setup and transmitting data with TCP and UDP



PC1 -> PC2:

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4	17.561123	00:50:79:66:68:00	Broadcast	ARP	64 Who has 10.0.1.1? Tell 10.0.1.11
5	17.571010	cc:01:1c:83:00:00	00:50:79:66:68:00	ARP	60 10.0.1.1 is at cc:01:1c:83:00:00
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8	17.621697	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	122 64708 → 80 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=56 TSval=176492172…
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11	17.672702	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	54 80 → 64708 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
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14	18.700756	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	74 [TCP Port numbers reused] 64708 → 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=2920 Len=0 M…
15	18.700935	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	54 80 → 64708 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0
16	18.731289	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	66 64708 → 80 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921722 TSec…
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19	18.782132	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	66 64708 → 80 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=57 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764…
20	18.782234	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	54 80 → 64708 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
21	18.782245	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	54 80 → 64708 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
22	18.812731	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	66 64708 → 80 [ACK] Seq=58 Ack=2 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921722 TSe…

PC2 -> PC1:

5	24.897626	00:50:79:66:68:00	Broadcast	ARP	64 Who has 10.0.1.1? Tell 10.0.1.11
6	24.907324	cc:01:1c:83:00:00	00:50:79:66:68:00	ARP	60 10.0.1.1 is at cc:01:1c:83:00:00
7	24.910369	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	74 24042 → 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=2920 Len=0 MSS=1460 TSval=176492134…
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9	24.959555	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 24042 → 80 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921348 T…
10	24.988607	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	122 24042 → 80 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=56 TSval=176492…
11	25.010619	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 80 → 24042 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=57 Win=2920 Len=0
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15	25.064601	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 24042 → 80 [ACK] Seq=58 Ack=2 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921348 …
16	26.065172	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	74 [TCP Port numbers reused] 24042 → 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=2920 Len=…
17	26.091509	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 80 → 24042 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0
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19	26.108323	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	122 24042 → 80 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=56 TSval=176492…
20	26.132341	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 80 → 24042 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=57 Win=2920 Len=0
21	26.149298	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 24042 → 80 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=57 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1…
22	26.173057	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 80 → 24042 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
23	26.174076	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 80 → 24042 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
24	26.176328	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 24042 → 80 [ACK] Seq=58 Ack=2 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921349 …

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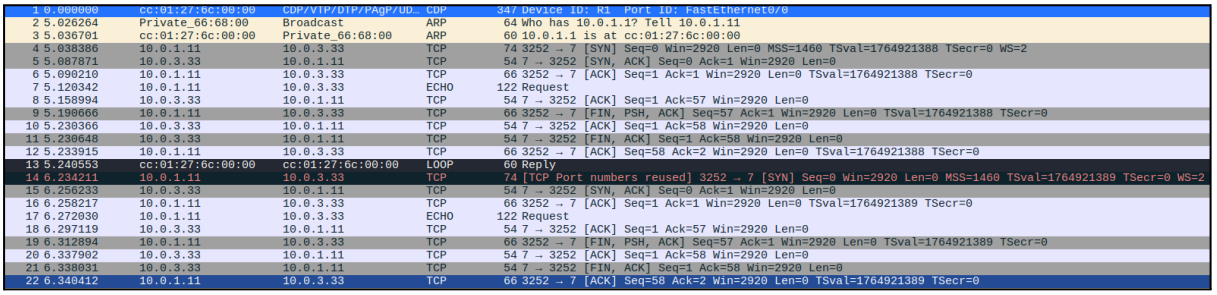
Lab Questions:

Use the data captured with Wireshark to answer the following questions.

• How many packets are exchanged in the data transfer? What are the sizes of the TCP segments?



1	0.000000	cc:01:27:6c:00:00	CDP/VTP/DTP/PAgP/UD…	CDP	347 Device ID: R1 Port ID: FastEthernet0/0
2	5.026264	Private_66:68:00	Broadcast	ARP	64 Who has 10.0.1.1? Tell 10.0.1.11
3	5.036701	cc:01:27:6c:00:00	Private_66:68:00	ARP	60 10.0.1.1 is at cc:01:27:6c:00:00
4	5.038386	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	74 3252 → 7 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=2920 Len=0 MSS=1460 TSval=1764921388 TSecr=0 WS=2
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6	5.090210	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 3252 → 7 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921388 TSecr=0
7	5.120342	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	ECHO	122 Request
8	5.158994	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 7 → 3252 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=57 Win=2920 Len=0
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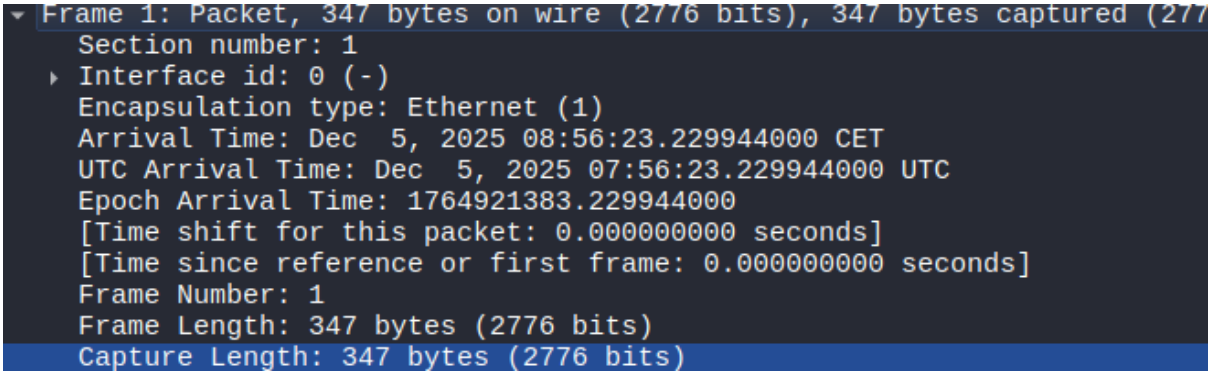
11	5.230648	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 7 → 3252 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
12	5.233915	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 3252 → 7 [ACK] Seq=58 Ack=2 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921388 TSecr=0
13	5.240553	cc:01:27:6c:00:00	cc:01:27:6c:00:00	LOOP	60 Reply
14	6.234211	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	74 [TCP Port numbers reused] 3252 → 7 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=2920 Len=0 MSS=1460 TSval=1764921389 TSecr=0 WS=2
15	6.256233	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 7 → 3252 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0
16	6.258217	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 3252 → 7 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921389 TSecr=0
17	6.272030	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	ECHO	122 Request
18	6.297119	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 7 → 3252 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=57 Win=2920 Len=0
19	6.312894	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 3252 → 7 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=57 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921389 TSecr=0
20	6.337902	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 7 → 3252 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
21	6.338031	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	TCP	54 7 → 3252 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
22	6.340412	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	TCP	66 3252 → 7 [ACK] Seq=58 Ack=2 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921389 TSecr=0

During the exchange between the two hosts, Wireshark shows that a total of 15 packets were transmitted. At the beginning, only one SYN packet is seen for the connection establishment, and the remaining packets are similar in structure, which corresponds to normal TCP communication.



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▾ Frame 1: Packet, 347 bytes on wire (2776 bits), 347 bytes captured (277
    Section number: 1
  ▸ Interface id: 0 (-)
    Encapsulation type: Ethernet (1)
    Arrival Time: Dec  5, 2025 08:56:23.229944000 CET
    UTC Arrival Time: Dec  5, 2025 07:56:23.229944000 UTC
    Epoch Arrival Time: 1764921383.229944000
    [Time shift for this packet: 0.000000000 seconds]
    [Time since reference or first frame: 0.000000000 seconds]
    Frame Number: 1
    Frame Length: 347 bytes (2776 bits)
    Capture Length: 347 bytes (2776 bits)
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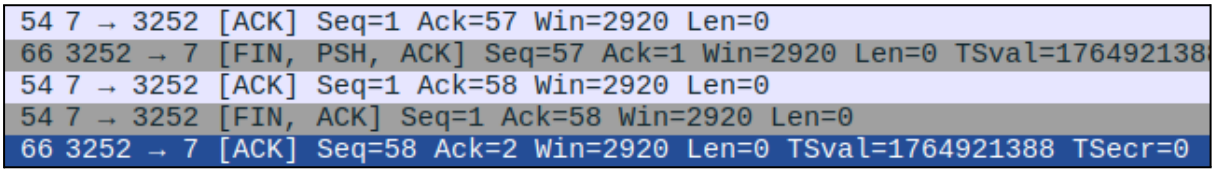
The size of the packet is 347 bytes.

• What is the range of the sequence numbers?



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54 7 → 3252 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=57 Win=2920 Len=0
66 3252 → 7 [FIN, PSH, ACK] Seq=57 Ack=1 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=176492138
54 7 → 3252 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
54 7 → 3252 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=58 Win=2920 Len=0
66 3252 → 7 [ACK] Seq=58 Ack=2 Win=2920 Len=0 TSval=1764921388 TSecr=0
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The range is [0,58]

• How many packets do not carry a payload, that is, how many packets are control packets?

To determine whether a TCP packet carries payload, we examine each packet and calculate: Total Length – IP header – TCP header. If the result is 0, the packet contains no application data and is considered a control packet. If the result is greater than 0, the packet carries payload.

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SYN → pas de payload → control
SYN/ACK → pas de payload → control
ACK → pas de payload → control
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FIN/ACK → pas de payload → control
ACK → pas de payload → control
PSH ACK → contient du **PSH** (données poussées) → **payload présent**

• Compare the total number of bytes transmitted, in both directions, including Ethernet, IP, and TCP headers, to the amount of application data transmitted.

Couches	Size
Ethernet	Frame Length: 122 bytes
IP	Header Length: 20 bytes (5)
TCP	Header Length: 32 bytes (8)
Payload	56 bytes

• Compare the amount of data transmitted in the TCP and the UDP data transfers.

PC1 -> PC2:

4	13.288172	00:50:79:66:68:00	Broadcast	ARP	64 Who has 10.0.1.1? Tell 10.0.1.11
5	13.294990	cc:01:1c:83:00:00	00:50:79:66:68:00	ARP	60 10.0.1.1 is at cc:01:1c:83:00:00
6	13.295851	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	UDP	98 43491 → 80 Len=56
7	13.335515	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	UDP	98 80 → 43491 Len=56
8	14.337101	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	UDP	98 43491 → 80 Len=56
9	14.364111	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	UDP	98 80 → 43491 Len=56

PC2 -> PC1 :

4	17.606015	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	UDP	98 54993 → 80 Len=56
5	17.606245	00:50:79:66:68:00	Broadcast	ARP	64 Who has 10.0.1.1? Tell 10.0.1.11
6	17.617965	cc:01:1c:83:00:00	00:50:79:66:68:00	ARP	60 10.0.1.1 is at cc:01:1c:83:00:00
7	17.618710	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	UDP	98 80 → 54993 Len=56
8	18.649003	10.0.3.33	10.0.1.11	UDP	98 54993 → 80 Len=56
9	18.649238	10.0.1.11	10.0.3.33	UDP	98 80 → 54993 Len=56

In our UDP capture, each frame has a total length of 98 bytes, of which 56 bytes are actual payload. This illustrates that in UDP, unlike TCP, there is no handshake or control overhead, so the payload-to-frame ratio is higher. In TCP, the total frame length often includes additional bytes for connection management, making the payload a smaller portion of the frame.

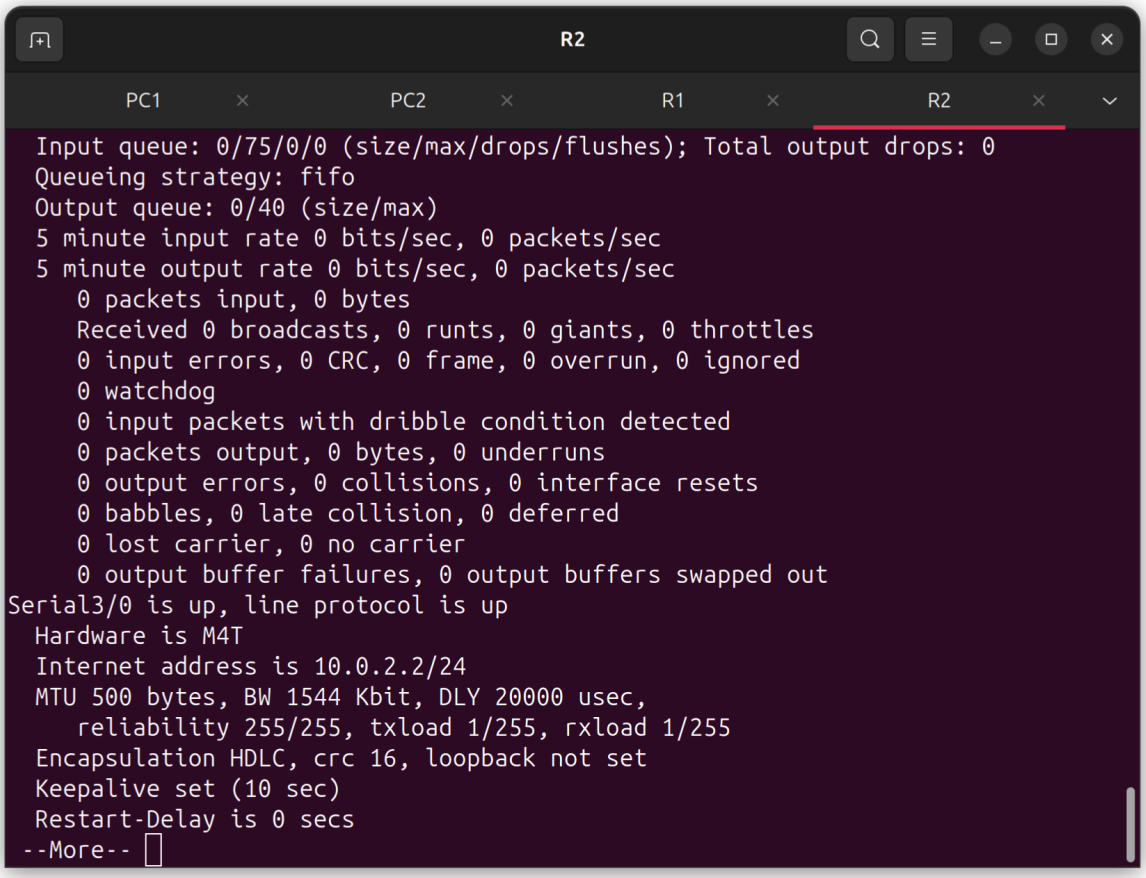
• Take the largest UDP segment and the largest TCP segment that you observed, and compare the amount of application data that is transmitted in the UDP segment and the TCP segment.

Comparing the largest UDP and TCP segments observed: the largest UDP segment has a total length of 98 bytes with 56 bytes of payload, while the largest TCP segment has a total

length of 122 bytes with the same 56 bytes of payload. This shows that although both segments carry the same amount of application data, the TCP segment includes additional bytes for headers and control information, making TCP less efficient in terms of payload-to-total-frame ratio compared to UDP.

PART 2: IP Fragmentation

Exercise 2. IP fragmentation



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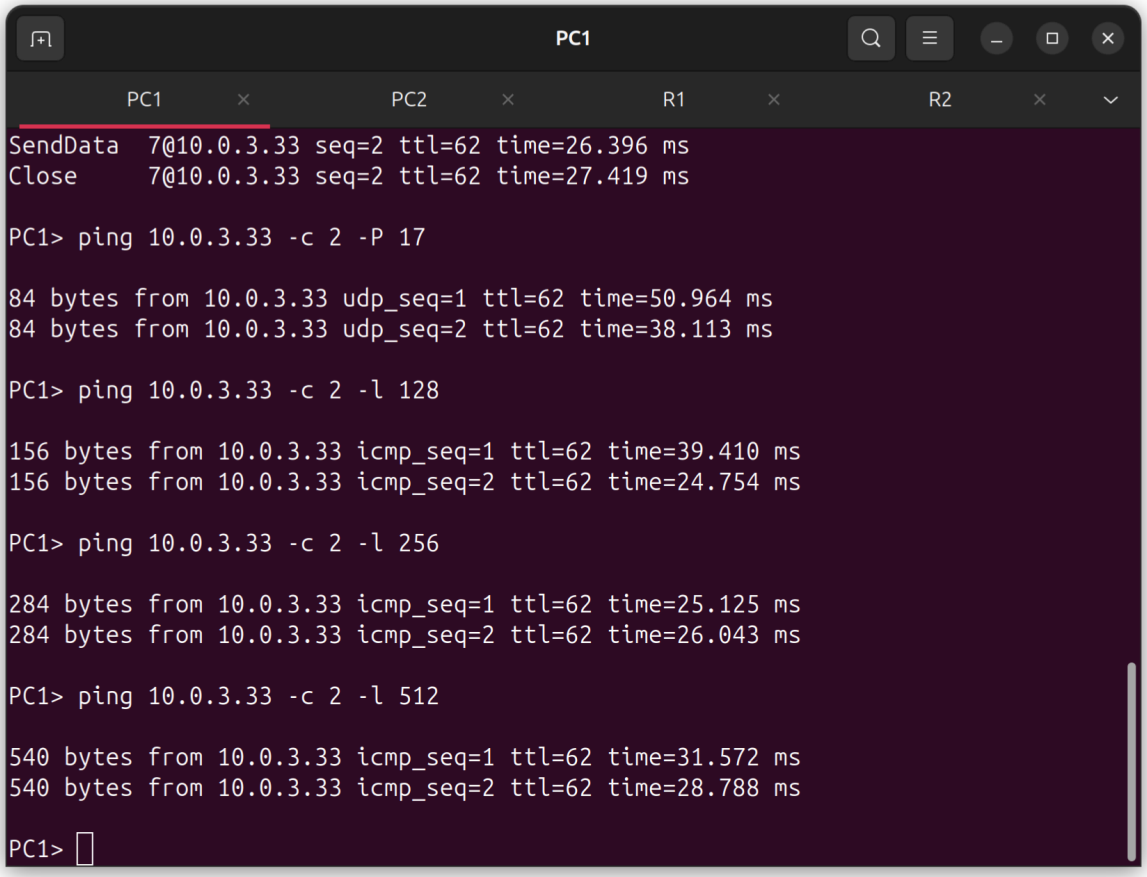

Lab Questions:

• Determine the exact packet size at which fragmentation occurs.

IP Header: 20 bytes

ICMP Header: 8 bytes

MTU: 500 bytes

$\Rightarrow Segment\ 1\ Payload\ Size = MTU - Overhead = 500 - 28 = 472\ bytes$

$\Rightarrow Segment\ 2\ Payload\ Size = 512 - 472 = 40\ bytes$

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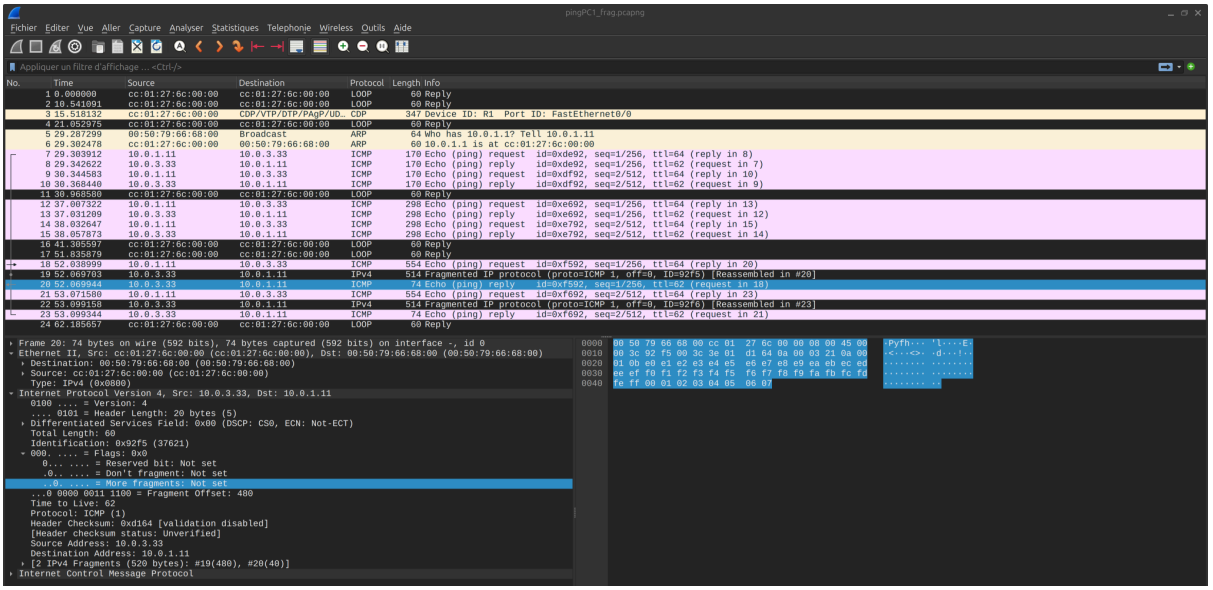
• From the saved Wireshark data, select one IP packet that is fragmented. Look at the complete packet before fragmentation and include all fragments after fragmentation. For each fragment of this packet, determine the values of the fields in the IP header that are used for fragmentation (Identification, Fragment Offset, Don't Fragment Bit, More Fragments Bit).



Both packets have the same identification (0x92f5) to ensure they belong to the same frame.
The "Don't fragment" bit is set to 0 in order to allow the fragmentation.
The first packet has a flag (bit to 1) "More fragment" because it has been fragmented in contrast to the last fragment.
Furthermore, the last fragment has an offset, equals to precedent segment payload size divided by 8, here it's 472/8 = 59.

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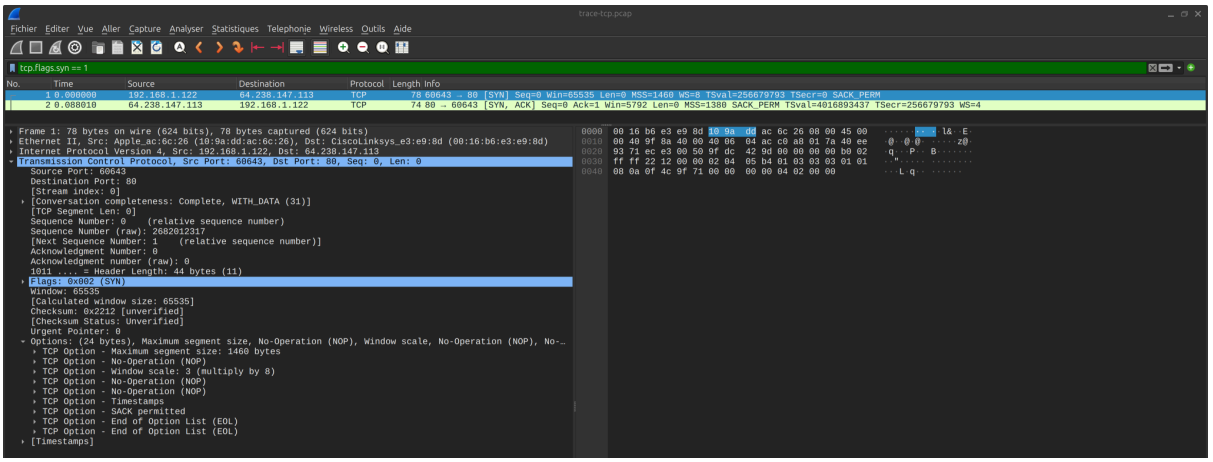
PART 3: TCP Protocol

Exercise 3(A): Connection Options



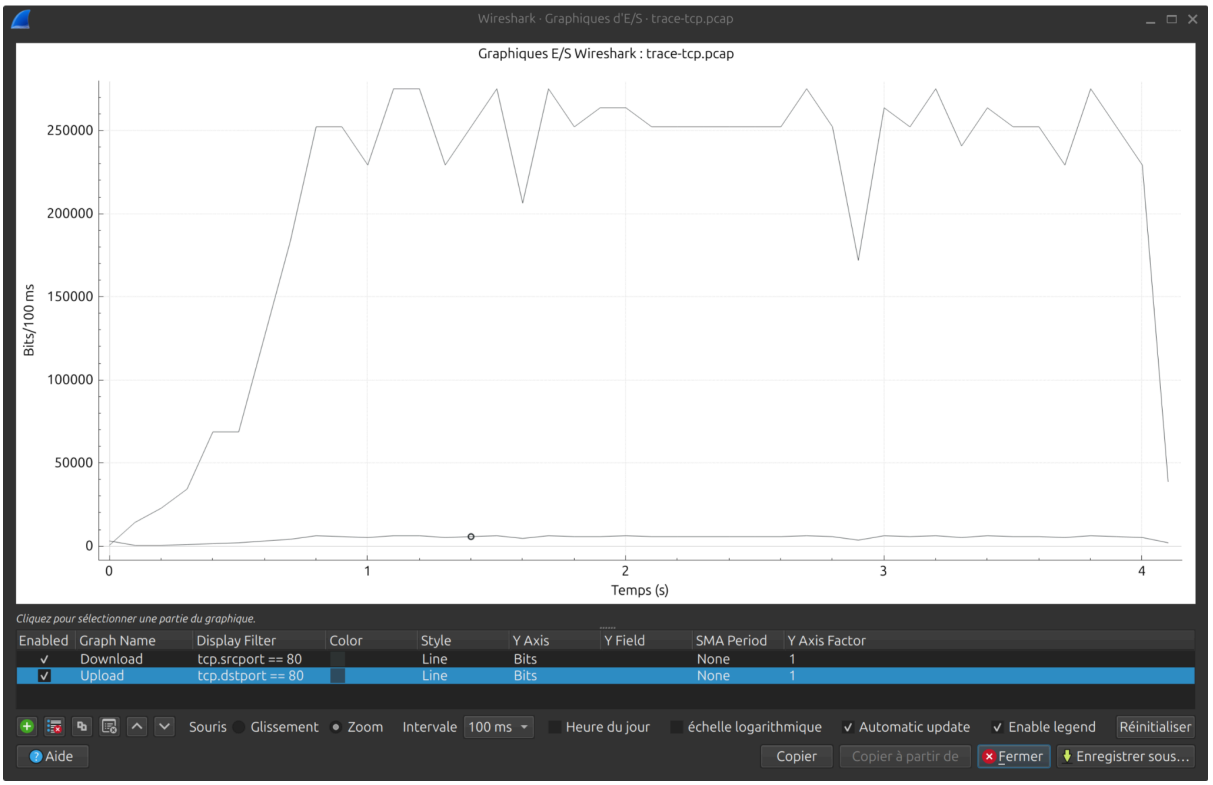
Lab Questions:

• What TCP Options are carried on the SYN packets for the trace provided

There are 4 options in the trace:

- Maximum segment size
- Window scale
- Timestamps
- SACK permitted

Exercise 3(B): TCP Data Transfer



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Lab Questions:

• Identify the Slow Start, Additive Increase, Multiplicative Decrease events in the download traffic curve.

Slow Start	0 à 0.4s	Exponential increase in data rate.
Additive Increase	0.4 à 1.0s	Gradual/Linear increase in data rate.
Multiplicative Decrease	Multiple points: 1.5s, 2.5s, 3.5s	Sudden, sharp drops in data rate, indicating congestion detection (packet loss).

• What is the rough data rate in the download direction in packets/second and bits/second once the TCP connection is running “well”?

The stabilized maximum download rate is ≈ 250,000 Bits/100 ms
Rate in Bits/s: 250,000 Bits/100 ms×10 = 2.5 Mbps

• What percentage of this download rate is content? Show your calculation. To find out, look at a typical download packet; there should be many similar, large download packets. You can see how long it is, and how many bytes of TCP payload it contains.

Typical Packet Size: 1514 bytes
Total Headers:

- Ethernet Header: 14 bytes
- IP Header: 20 bytes
- TCP Header: 32 bytes (with options)
- **Total Overhead:** 14+20+32=66 bytes

TCP Payload: Total Size − Total Overhead = 1514−66 = 1448 bytes

$$Content\ Percentage = \frac{TCP\ Payload}{Total\ Packet\ Size} \times 100 = \frac{1448}{1514} \times 100 = 95.6\%$$

• What is the rough data rate in the upload direction in packets/second and bits/second due to the ACK packets?

The upload line is very low, ≈ 1,500 Bits/100 ms
Rate in Bits/s: 1,500 Bits/100 ms×10 = 15 Kbps

• If the most recently received TCP segment from the server has a sequence number of X, then what ACK number does the next transmitted TCP segment carry?

If the most recently received TCP segment from the server has a sequence number of **X**, the next transmitted TCP segment from the client will carry the ACK number:

$$ACK\ Number = X + Received\ Segment\ Payload\ Size$$