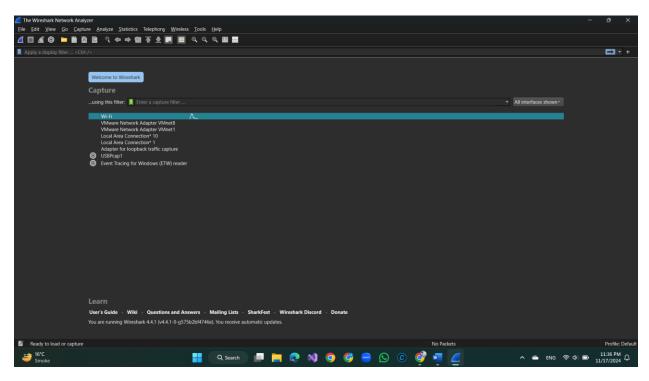
### Task 3

# **Analyzing Network Traffic with Wireshark**

In this task, I used **Wireshark** to capture and analyze network traffic, specifically focusing on TCP and UDP packets. Here are the steps I followed:

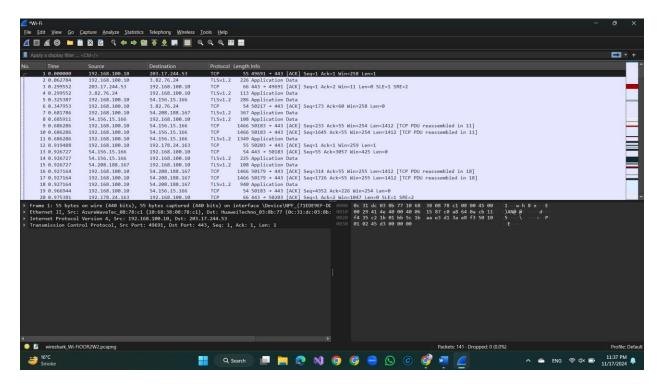
### 1: Launch Wireshark:

 Opened the Wireshark application, which displayed available network interfaces such as Wi-Fi and local area connections.



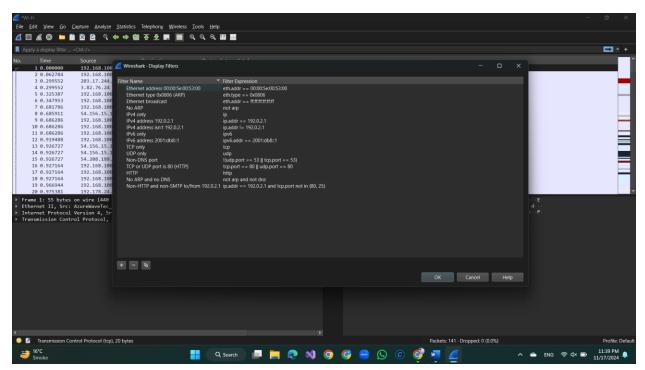
### 2: Select Network Interface:

• Choose the Wi-Fi interface to start monitoring the wireless network traffic.



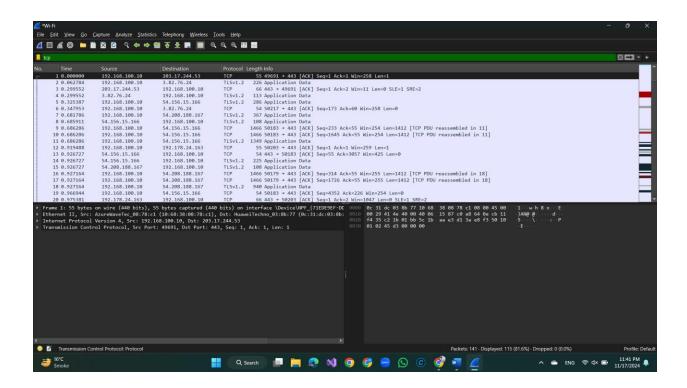
### 3: Capture Packets:

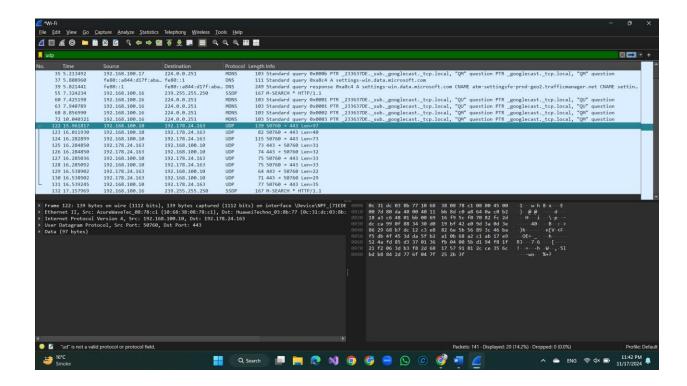
• Initiated the packet capture, allowing Wireshark to record all network traffic over the selected interface. I collected a total of **141 packets** for analysis.



## 4: Apply Display Filters:

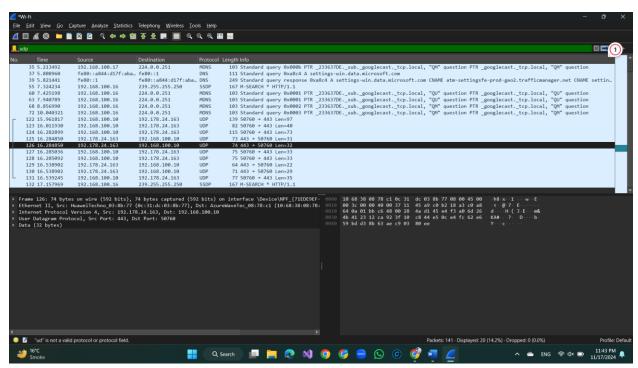
- From the **Analyze** option in the top menu, I accessed the **Display Filter** section, which showed various predefined filters.
- In the top search bar labeled "Apply a display filter," I typed tcp to filter and display all TCP-related packets.
- Similarly, I applied the **udp** filter, which displayed only UDP packets.





### 5: View I/O Graphs:

 Click on Statistics in the top menu and select I/O Graphs to view a graphical representation of network traffic. The graph displayed TCP traffic errors, allowing for further analysis.



## **6: Analysis of Packets:**

#### i. Initial Handshake (TCP, TLS, QUIC):

 Packets 1-3 show the TCP three-way handshake between the local machine and an external server, indicating the start of a communication session.

#### ii. Encrypted Traffic:

o Many packets (such as 10, 12, 14) involve **encrypted TLS data**.

### iii. QUIC Protocol:

 Packets like 50-90 involve QUIC, a relatively new protocol running over UDP for faster and more secure web communications (used by platforms like Google).

#### iv. Connection Resets and Alerts:

Packets like 21 and 22 show RST, and ACK flags, indicating connection resets.
Reset flags can suggest issues with connections or intentional termination.

#### v. DNS Queries:

 Packets 43 and 44 show **DNS queries** from your local machine to the router, specifically querying the domain google.com.