CS349 Networks Lab – Assignment 2

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1. PACKET FORMATS OF PROTOCOLS USED IN DIFFERENT LAYERS

A. Application Layer

- **HTTP -** HTTP header fields provide required information about the request or response, or about the object sent in the message body. There are four types of HTTP message headers: *General-header* have applicability for both request and response messages, *Client Request-header* have applicability only for request messages, *Server Response-header* have applicability only for response messages, *Entity-header* defines meta information about the entity-body. The header fields are - *Connection general-header* allows the sender to specify options that are desired for that particular connection and must not be communicated by proxies over further connections, *Date*, *Authorization request-header* field value consists of credentials containing the authentication information of the user agent, *Cookie request-header* field value contains a name/value pair of information stored for that URL, *From request-header* contains an Internet e-mail address for the human user who controls the requesting user agent, *Host request-header* is used to specify the Internet host and the port number of the resource being requested, *Proxy-Authorization request-header* allows the client to identify itself to a proxy which requires authentication, *User-Agent request-header* contains information about the user agent, *Location response-header* is used to redirect the recipient to a location other than the Request-URI for completion, *Server response-header* contains information about the software used by the origin server to handle the request.

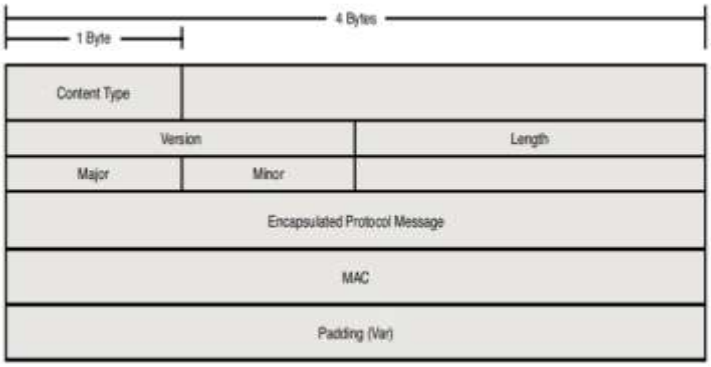


FIGURE 1 SSL PACKET HEADER

- **SSL/ SSLv2 -** SSL provides security in the communication between two hosts. It provides integrity, authentication and confidentiality. It can be used with any protocol that uses TCP as the transport layer. The basic unit of data in SSL is a record. Each record consists of a five-byte record header, followed by data. The header contains – *Record Type* can be of four types(Handshake, Change Cipher Spec, Alert, Application Data), *Record Version* is 16-byte value formatted in network order, *Record Length* is 16-byte value.
- **Data -** When Wireshark can't determine how part of a packet should be formatted, it marks that chunk as "Data". The "Data" is just the normal data payload.

B. Transport layer

- **TCP –** Each TCP header has ten required fields totaling 20 bytes in size. They can also optionally include an additional data section up to 40 bytes in size. TCP headers has - *Source and destination TCP ports* which are the communication endpoints for sending and receiving devices, *sequence and acknowledgement numbers* to mark the ordering in a group of messages, *data offset* stores the total size of a TCP header in multiples of four bytes, *Reserved data* in TCP headers always has a value of zero, a set of six standard and three extended *control flags* (each an individual bit representing on or off) to manage data flow in specific situations, *window size* to regulate how much data sender sends to a receiver before requiring an acknowledgment in return, *checksum* for error detection, *urgent pointer* can be used as a data offset to mark a subset of a message which require priority processing. *Optional TCP data* can be used to include support for special acknowledgment and window scaling algorithms.

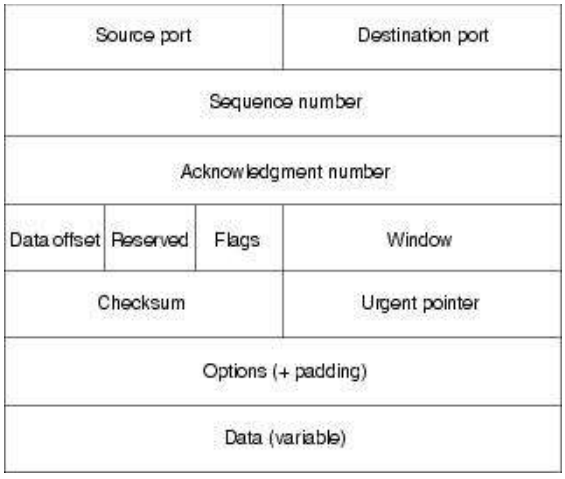
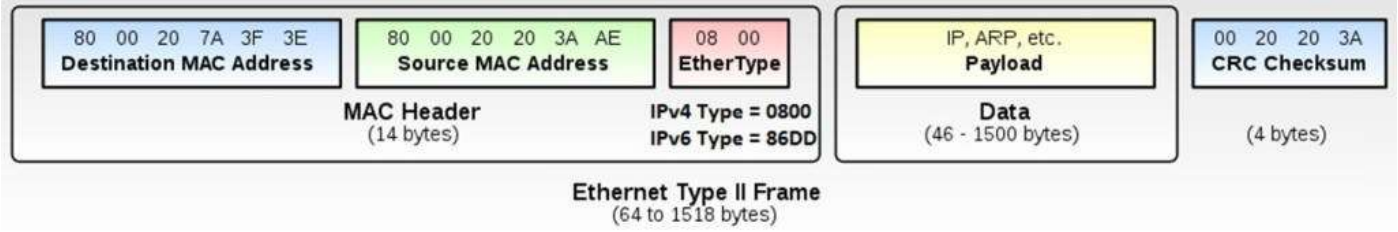


FIGURE 2 TCP PACKET HEADER



C. Network Layer

- **IPv4** is one of the core protocols of standards-based internetworking methods in the Internet. It is a connectionless protocol for use on packet-switched networks. The header consists of 14 fields, of which 13 are required. They are – *Version* is always equal to 4, *Internet Header Length (IHL)* has 4 bits which is the number of 32-bit words in header, *Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP)* used in QoS, *Explicit Congestion Notification (ECN)* allows end-to-end notification of network congestion without dropping packets, *Total Length* is 16-bit field which defines the entire packet size in bytes, *identification field* is primarily used for uniquely identifying the group of fragments of a single IP datagram, *flags bit* is used to control or identify fragments (0th bit: Reserved and is always 0; 1st bit: Don't Fragment (DF); 2nd bit: More Fragments (MF)), *Fragment Offset* specifies the offset of a particular fragment, *Time To Live (TTL)* helps prevent datagrams from persisting on network forever, *Protocol* defines the protocol used in the data portion of the IP datagram, *Header Checksum* is used for error-checking of the header, *Source address & Destination address* is the IPv4 address of the sender and receiver of the packet respectively

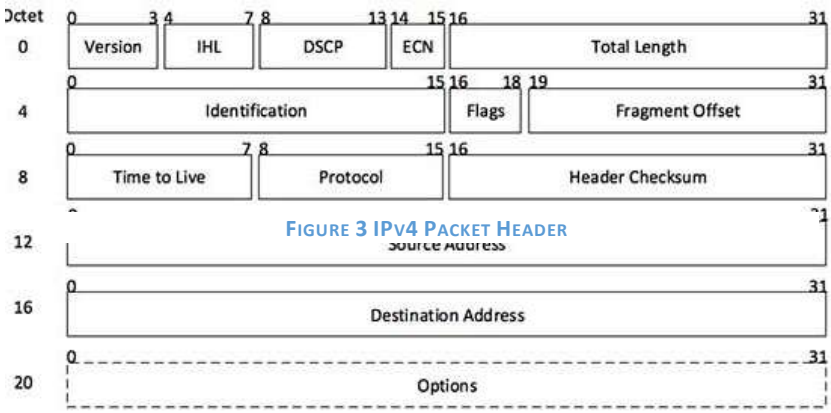


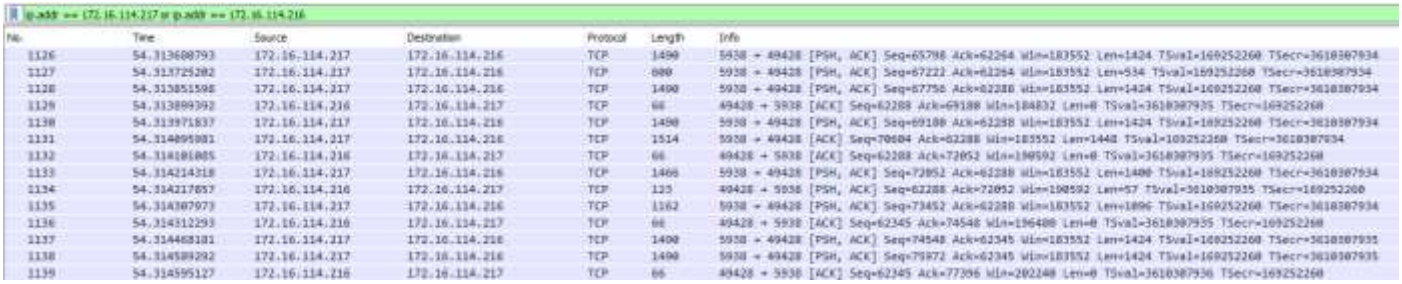
FIGURE 3 IPV4 PACKET HEADER

D. Link Layer

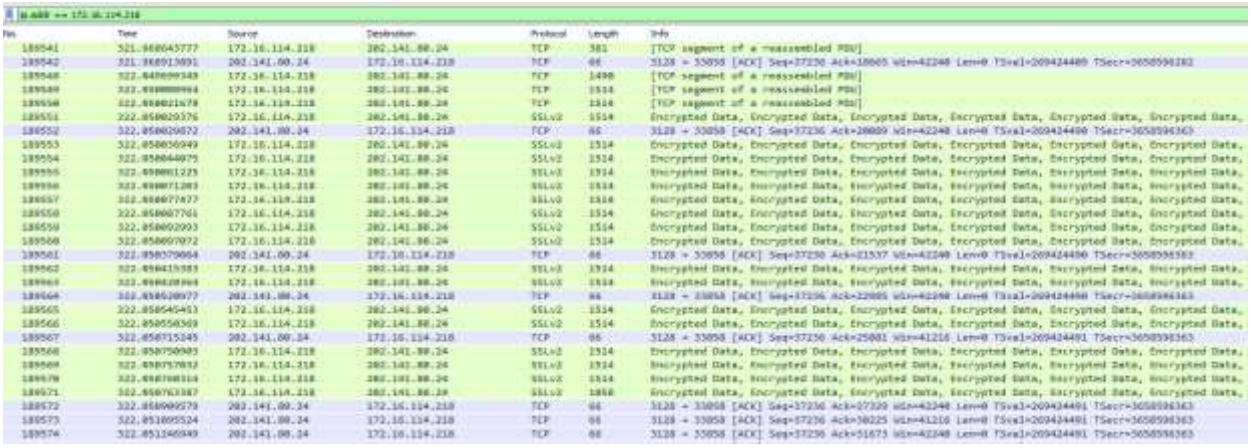
- **Ethernet(II)** is the most common local area networking technology. It has *Preamble* which is 56 bits of alternating 1's and 0's, *Destination MAC Address*, *Source MAC Address*, *Type* that identifies an upper layer protocol encapsulated by the frame data, *Length* of frame and *Frame Checksum* for error detection.

2. OBSERVED VALUES

When using Remote desktop(Teamviewer) on LAN, the following stream of packets were observed :-

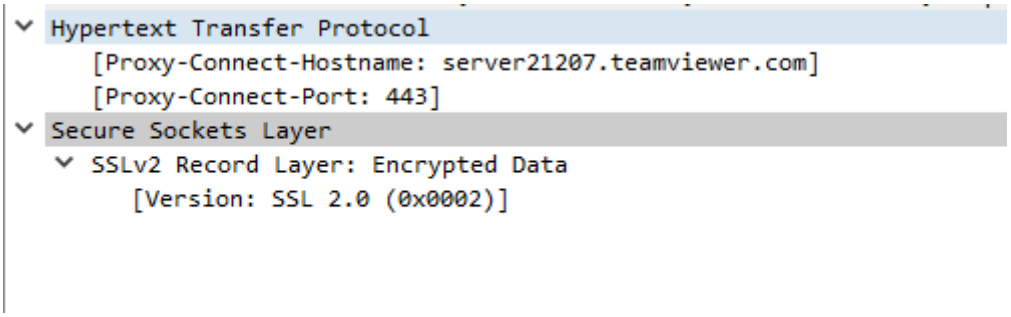


When using Remote desktop(Teamviewer) through internet, the following stream of packets were observed :-



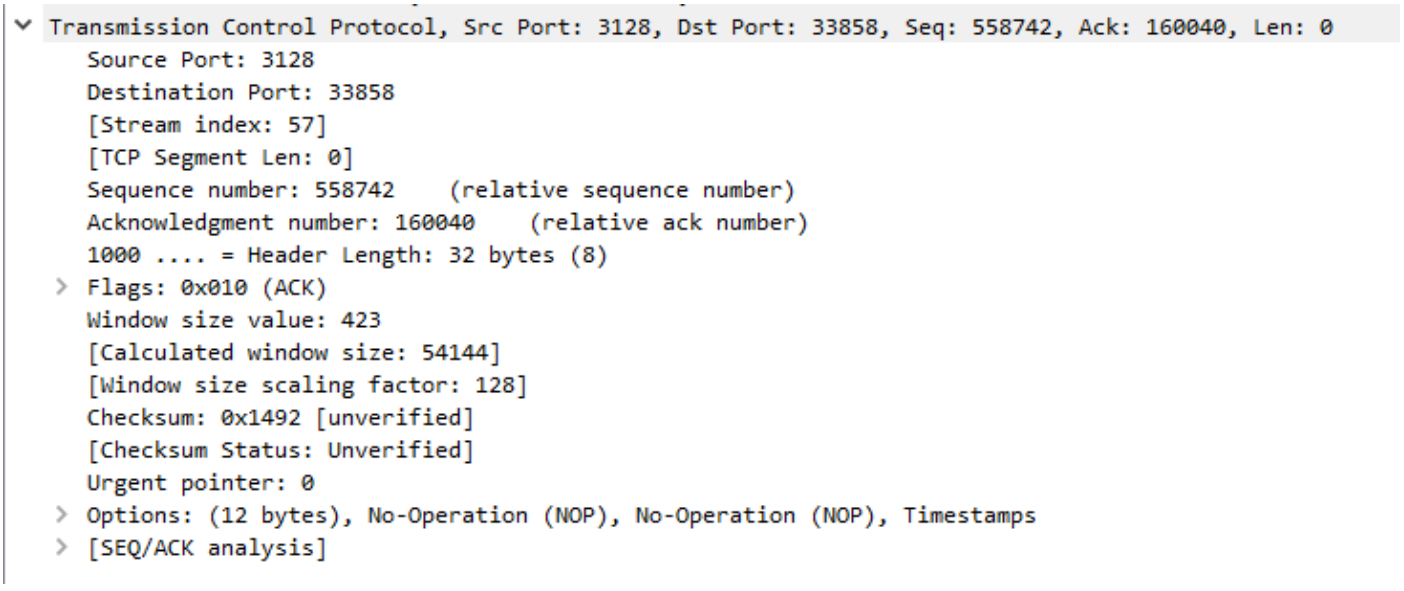
In the both the above, *time* is the time elapsed since the starting of packets capture, *source & destination* are the sender & the reciever of the packets respectively, *protocol* is the protocol(of the highest layer) that the wireshark could identify, *length* is the length of the packet and *info* is a brief information contained in the packet decoded by wireshark.

- **SSLv2 –** The HTTP part of the packet contains the hostname and the port, while the SSL part contains the Encrypted Data.(Note that both HTTP and SSLv2 are in application layer). WireShark is unable to determine the further headers of the SSL packet. It just identifies the version – 2 as seen in the following figure.



- **HTTP –** As seen in the fighure, the Request method is connect to the request URI, which is the address of the teamviewer server. The version of HTTP used is 1.1. Since the connection is through IITG Proxy, Proxy Authorisation is also added. User agent is Mozilla by default in Wireshark. Wireshark also shows the previous request frame number and the frame number having response to this frame .

- **TCP –** The packet contains the Destination and the Source Port, TCP Stream index, sequence number and the acknowledgement number, Header length, Flags. In the following figure, the flags are set as 010 in (HexaDecimal) which corresponds to the Acknowledgement. Window size value is 423. Checksum is used for error detection. Wireshark is remembering the value of Window size scaling factor and presenting it again. Scaling factor shows the number of leftward bit shifts that should be used for an advertised window size.



- **IPv4 –** Version header field is always 4 as we are using IPv4. Header length is 5 (which means 20 bytes because it counts in 4 Bytes word). Total length of the packet is 52 bytes. The flag set is don't fragment which instructs all the nodes through which the packet passes to not fragment the packet. TTL is 63. The protocol contained in it is TCP. The packet is sent by the proxy(202.141.80.24) to my device(172.16.114.218).

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Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 202.141.80.24, Dst: 172.16.114.218
    0100 .... = Version: 4
    .... 0101 = Header Length: 20 bytes (5)
  > Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP: CS0, ECN: Not-ECT)
    Total Length: 52
    Identification: 0xfa6b (64107)
  > Flags: 0x02 (Don't Fragment)
    Fragment offset: 0
    Time to live: 63
    Protocol: TCP (6)
    Header checksum: 0x07c8 [validation disabled]
    [Header checksum status: Unverified]
    Source: 202.141.80.24
    Destination: 172.16.114.218
    [Source GeoIP: Unknown]
    [Destination GeoIP: Unknown]
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- **Ethernet II –** It contains the physical MAC address of the devices communicating. Destination is my HP Device and the source is the Switch to which my device is connected. Source is always Unicast. Destination is Unicast in this case. In both of them, it is Globally Unique Adress and not a Local Address.

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Ethernet II, Src: Hangzhou_0c:ef:99 (38:22:d6:0c:ef:99), Dst: HewlettP_a5:66:73 (3c:a8:2a:a5:66:73)
  Destination: HewlettP_a5:66:73 (3c:a8:2a:a5:66:73)
      Address: HewlettP_a5:66:73 (3c:a8:2a:a5:66:73)
      .... ..0. .... .... .... .... = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
      .... ...0 .... .... .... .... = IG bit: Individual address (unicast)
  Source: Hangzhou_0c:ef:99 (38:22:d6:0c:ef:99)
      Address: Hangzhou_0c:ef:99 (38:22:d6:0c:ef:99)
      .... ..0. .... .... .... .... = LG bit: Globally unique address (factory default)
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    Type: IPv4 (0x0800)
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3. SEQUENCE OF MESSAGES

The application was tested under different conditions and the behaviour was observed in each. TeamViewer checks network connections to see what protocol it can efficiently deploy to make the communication between two peer computers efficient. If both the computers sit in the same LAN, there is no need to route data thorough HTTPS/SSL ports. But if the data is being sent through Teamviewer server over the internet, then the data is encrypted and sent through HTTPS/SSL ports so that not even the people at teamviewer can decipher and look at data.

The behaviour observed was similar when the two devices were connected directly through LAN and when connected through a switch. In both these scenarios, only TCP/IPv4 protocol packets were observed. The TCP three-way handshake (SYN SYN-ACK ACK) is the method used by TCP to set up a TCP/IP connection between the devices. After the connection setup, the devices exchange sequences of data and acknowledgements. The wireshark couldn't determine the application layer protocol and hence it states it as 'Data' protocol. During termination of the connection, another handshake is used(FIN, ACK, FIN, ACK). In both these cases, the source and destination of the packets either of the source or destination addresses and not any intermediate address.

The behaviour was a little different when the two devices were connected through internet using teamviewer. Primarily, all the packets were being routed through the internet, so for both the devices the packets were being sent to and received from the proxy server(202.141.80.24). Here also, the TCP connection setup handshake and the termination handshake were observed. After the TCP connection, an HTTP CONNECT packet is sent to the teamviewer server and the HTTP connection is established. Unlike the previous scenario, here the data is sent using SSL (application layer) protocol. Hence, it is encrypted. All the acknowledgements are not encrypted and hence wireshark displays their protocol as TCP only. Finally on connection termination the TCP termination handshake occurs. Note that in this case, teamviewer.com does handshaking with regular TCP packets. But transmits data with SSL(encrypted) which is an application protocol which sits over TCP. SSL transmission is interlaced with plain TCP transmission with same source/destination IP pairs connected to the same ports. This indicates that the data is being transferred with SSL and handshake is happening with TCP.

Handshakes :-

- TCP CONNECTION HANDSHAKE : To establish a connection, each device must send a SYN and receive an ACK for it from the other device. Thus, conceptually, we need to have four control messages pass between the devices. However, it's inefficient to send a SYN and an ACK in separate messages when one could communicate both simultaneously. Thus, in the normal sequence of events in connection establishment, one of the SYNs and one of the ACKs is sent together by setting both of the relevant bits (a message sometimes called a SYN+ACK). This makes a total of three messages, and for this reason the connection procedure is called a three-way handshake.

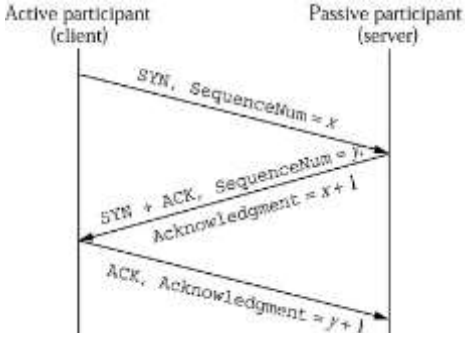

FIGURE 4 TCP CONNECTION HANDSHAKE

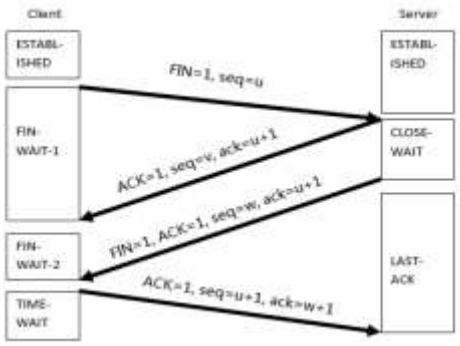

FIGURE 5 TCP TERMINATION HANDSHAKE

- TCP TERMINATION HANDSHAKE : In the normal case, each side terminates its end of the connection by sending a special message with the FIN (finish) bit set. This message serves as a connection termination request to the other device. The device receiving the FIN responds with an acknowledgment to the FIN to indicate that it was received. The connection as a whole is not considered terminated until both sides have finished the shut down procedure by sending a FIN and receiving an ACK. Thus, termination isn't a three-way handshake like establishment: it is a pair of two-way handshakes. The states that the two devices in the connection move through during a normal connection shutdown are different because the device initiating the shutdown must behave differently than the one that receives the termination request. In particular, the TCP on the device receiving the initial termination request must inform its application process and wait for a signal that the process is ready to proceed. The initiating device doesn't need to do this, since the application is what started the ball rolling in the first place.

4. FUNCTIONING OF APPLICATION

The teamviewer application has two modes of connection – Direct LAN and Through Internet as stated earlier. When establishing a session, TeamViewer determines the optimal type of connection. After the handshake through their master servers or directly through LAN, a direct connection via TCP is established (even behind Proxy). All application protocols observed and explained in Question 1 sits above TCP layer. For handshaking TCP would be the best choice because TCP guarantees packet ordering and packet delivery. There are three phases- connection, data transfer and termination between the pairs. During the connection and termination phase, TCP handshake occurs as explained previously. Once connection is established for data transmission TCP is used. According to the teamviewer's site, once connection is established, the data exchange may use TCP or UDP depending on the requirements and conditions. But, I observed only TCP packets. I believe that this is so because IITG-Proxy server blocks UDP packets.

Since when connecting through internet, we want to avoid hackers snooping packets on wire, teamviewer goes for something like SSL. Application's requirement determines the selection of protocol. It is used so that even the people at the teamviewer's server are unable to view the data. Hence, SSL is used so that encrypted data is transferred.

5. STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Time	Throughput (Packets/Sec)	RTT (ms)	Avg. Packet Size (Bytes)	No. of Packets Lost	UDP Packets	TCP Packets	Avg Response w.r.t. 1 Request
9:00am	45	0.267	493.5	0	0	1941	0.69
12:30am	4.1	0.257	487.5	0	0	1811	0.75
3:00pm	12.8	7.67	485.5	0	0	1615	0.83

6. CONTENT PROVIDERS

Teamviewer is a Peer-To-Peer Remote Desktop application. Hence, all the data is exchanged between two peers. TeamViewer site doesn't provide any content. As stated in earlier parts, if trying to connect through LAN, teamviewer application connects the devices directly through local LAN path. Hence, data is coming from only one IP and not multiple IP.

If the peers try to connect through Internet, then the packets are sent through teamviewer servers, it routes the peer-peer data using standard HTTPS and SSL ports. In our case, all the traffic goes through IIT-Guwahati proxy server 202.140.80.24. Proxy server does NAT (Network Address Translation) because of which we only see proxy IP address in the packets we capture.