Computer Networks Lab - 6

UDP

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- 1. There are 4 fields in the UDP header. They are:
 - a. Source port
 - b. Destination Port
 - c. Length and
 - d. Checksum

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Vuser Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 443, Dst Port: 64665
    Source Port: 443
    Destination Port: 64665
    Length: 1358
    Checksum: 0xee09 [unverified]
    [Checksum Status: Unverified]
    [Stream index: 2]
> [Timestamps]
    UDP payload (1350 bytes)
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- 2. The length (in bytes) of each of the UDP header fields is 2 bytes.
- 3. The length field specifies the number of bytes in the UDP segment (header plus data). An explicit length value is needed since the size of the data field may differ from one UDP segment to the next. In the above image, the Length is 1358 bytes where data is 1350 bytes and the header is 8 bytes. As we can see the length field is different in both images.

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User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 443, Dst Port: 64665

Source Port: 443

Destination Port: 64665

Length: 70

Checksum: 0x9af3 [unverified]

[Checksum Status: Unverified]

[Stream index: 2]

[Timestamps]

UDP payload (62 bytes)
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- 4. The maximum number of bytes that can be included in a UDP payload is $(2^16 1)$ bytes plus the header bytes. This gives 65535 bytes 8 bytes = 65527 bytes.
- 5. The largest possible source port number is $(2^{4}16 1) = 65535$.

- 6. The IP protocol number for UDP is 0x11 hex, which is 17 in decimal value.
- 7. The source port of the UDP packet sent by the host is the same as the destination port of the reply packet, and conversely, the destination port of the UDP packet sent by the host is the same as the source port of the reply packet.

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✓ User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 49903, Dst Port: 443

     Source Port: 49903
     Destination Port: 443
     Length: 42
     Checksum: 0x1597 [unverified]
     [Checksum Status: Unverified]
     [Stream index: 0]
   > [Timestamps]
     UDP payload (34 bytes)

▼ User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 443, Dst Port: 49903

      Source Port: 443
      Destination Port: 49903
      Length: 38
      Checksum: 0xe672 [unverified]
      [Checksum Status: Unverified]
      [Stream index: 0]
   > [Timestamps]
      UDP payload (30 bytes)
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