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INSTALLING WIRESHARK:

Wireshark is a network packet analyzer. It captures every packet getting in or out of a network interface and shows them in a nicely formatted text. It is used by Network Engineers all over the world. How to install Wireshark is given below step by step: First update the APT package repository cache with the following command:

\$ sudo apt update The APT package repository cache should be updated.

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abdullah@abdullah-VirtualBox:~$ sudo apt upgrade
E: Could not get lock /var/lib/dpkg/lock-frontend - open (11: Resource temporari
ly unavailable)
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other process using it?
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other process using it?
abdullah@abdullah-VirtualBox:~$ sudo add-apt-repository ppa:wireshark-dev/stable
Latest stable Wireshark releases back-ported from Debian package versions.
Back-porting script is available at https://github.com/rbalint/pkg-wireshark-ubu
ntu-ppa
From Ubuntu 16.04 you also need to enable "universe" repository, see:
http://askubuntu.com/questions/148638/how-do-i-enable-the-universe-repository
The packaging repository for Debian and Ubuntu is at: https://salsa.debian.org/d
ebian/wireshark
More info: https://launchpad.net/~wireshark-dev/+archive/ubuntu/stable
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Now, Run the following command to install Wireshark on your Ubuntu machine:

\$ sudo apt get install wireshark

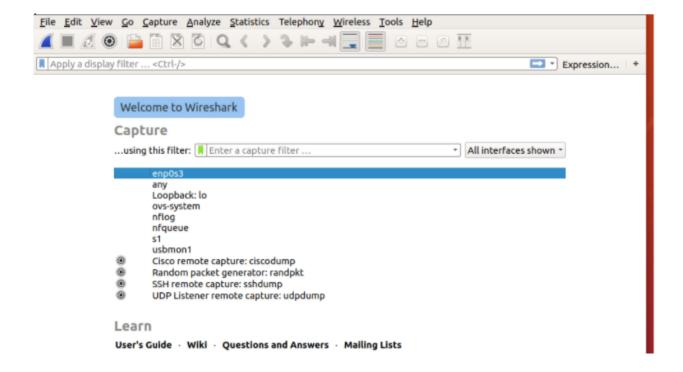
Wireshark should be installed.

Run the following command to add your user to the Wireshark group:

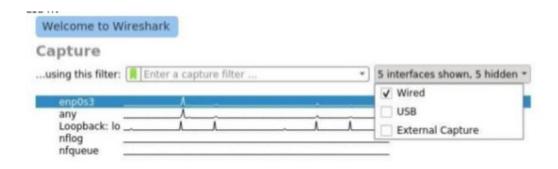
\$ sudo usermod -aG wireshark \$(whoami) Now reboot your computer with the following command: \$ sudo reboot Now run Wireshark using the following command:

\$ sudo wireshark

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abdullah@abdullah-VirtualBox:~$ sudo apt install wireshark
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer required:
    libwireshark11 libwiretap8 libwscodecs2 libwsutil9
Use 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove them.
The following additional packages will be installed:
    libminizip1 libwireshark-data libwireshark14 libwiretap11 libwsutil12 tshark
    wireshark-common wireshark-qt
Suggested packages:
    geoipupdate geoip-database-extra libjs-leaflet libjs-leaflet.markercluster
    snmp-mibs-downloader wireshark-doc
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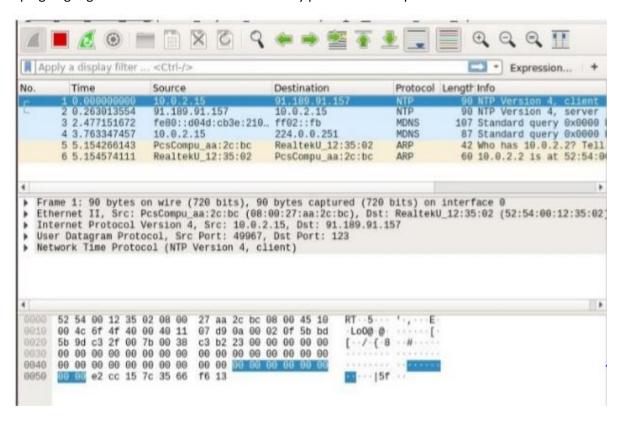
There are many types of interfaces you can monitor using Wireshark, for example, Wired, Wireless, USB and many external devices. You can choose to show specific types of interfaces in the welcome screen from the marked section of the screenshot below.



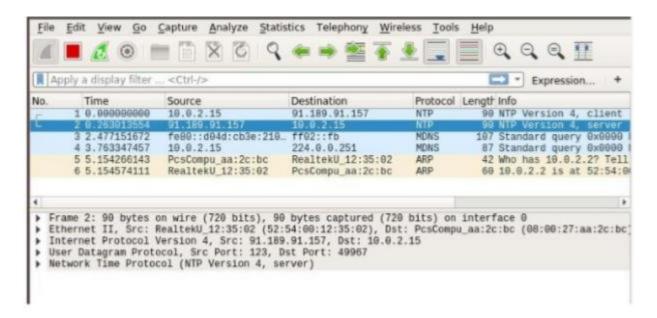
Now to start capturing packets, just select the interface (in my case interface ens33) and click on the Start capturing packets icon as marked in the screenshot below.

You can also capture packets to and from multiple interfaces at the same time. Just press and hold <Ctrl> and click on the interfaces that you want to capture packets to and from and then click on the Start capturing packets icon as marked in the screenshot below.

I pinged google.com from the terminal and many packets were captured

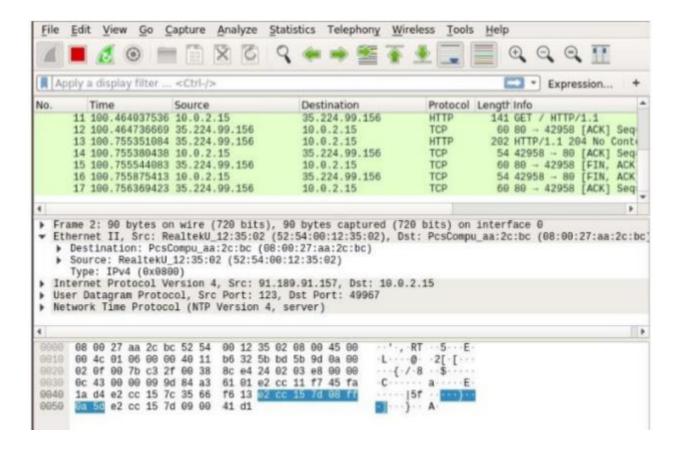


Now you can click on a packet to select it. Selecting a packet would show many information about that packet. As you can see, information about different layers of TCP/IP Protocol is listed.



You can also see the RAW data of that particular packet

You can also click on the arrows to expand packet data for a particular TCP/IP Protocol Layer

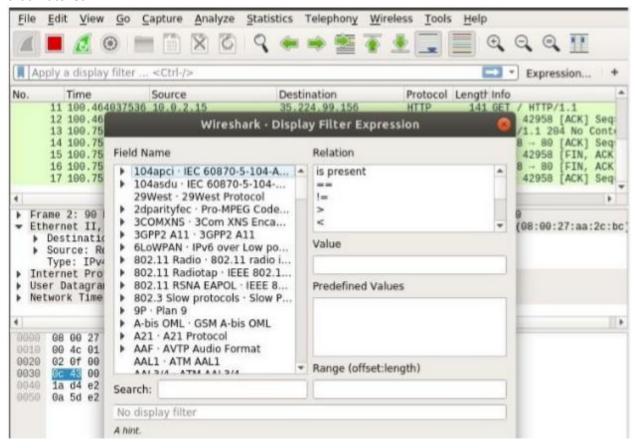


To filter packets, you can directly type in the filter expression in the textbox as marked in the screenshot below.

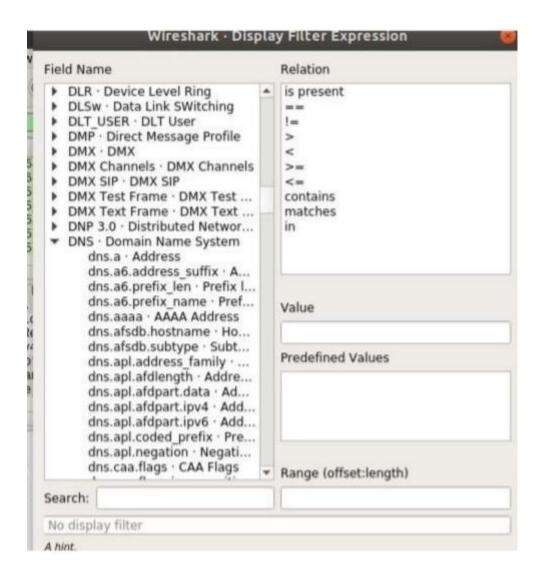
A new window should open as shown in the screenshot below. From here you can create filter expression to search packets very specifically.

In the Field Name section almost all the networking protocols are listed. The list is huge. You can type in what protocol you're looking for in the Search textbox and the Field Name section would show the ones

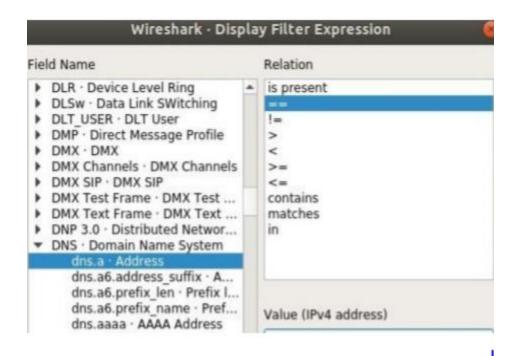
that matched.



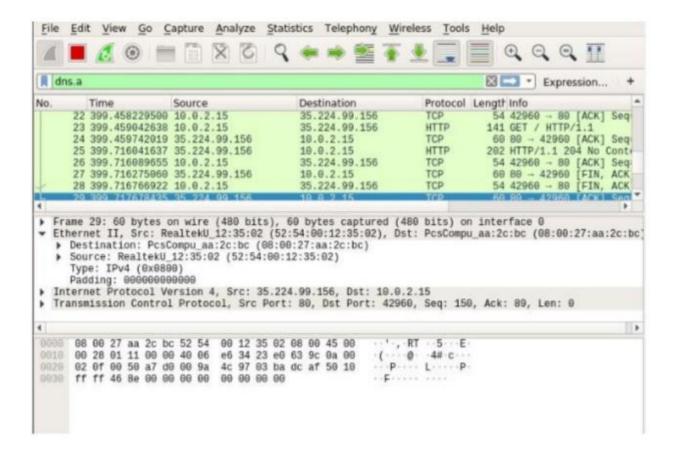
I am going to filter out all the DNS packets. So I selected DNS Domain Name System from the Field Name list. You can also click on the arrow on any protocol.



You can also use relational operators to test whether some field is equal to, not equal to, great than or less than some value. I searched for all the DNS IPv4 address which is equal to 192.168.2.1 as you can see in the screenshot below.



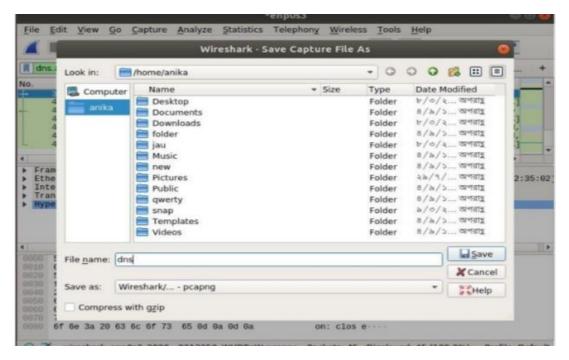
As you can see, only the DNS protocol packets are shown



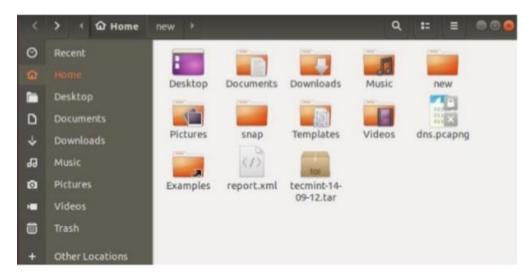
You can click on the red icon as red marked in the screenshot below to stop capturing Wireshark packets.

You can click on the saved marked icon to save captured packets to a file for future use.

Now select a destination folder, type in the file name and click on Save



The file should be saved.



That's how you install and use Wireshark in Linux

Conclusion: WireShark - a network protocol analyzer For Windows and *nix systems. And although I never used it on anything but my Windows PC, it's a really interesting tool to have installed - both for developers and curious minds. So what are

some uses that might potentially benefit the people who decided to install it? Personally I have three main reasons, and i am describing those below.

Capture interesting stuff

For example Windows Phone applications that come as XAP packages. Some time to set up an environment and you will be ready to intercept incoming content. Also, I found out some interesting

stuff about an undocumented Zune API - also through inspecting existing transfer logs. It's really cool to see how a lot of content that is used on various web sites and application is in fact transmitted through open channels without any authentication necessary (even if that is present in the application itself). The fun fact is that you can use those channels for your own benefit (e.g. build third party clients for specific services)