

TCP/IP and tcpdump Pocket Reference Guide

tcpdump Usage

tcpdump [-aenStvx] [-F file] [-I int] [-r file] [-s snaplen] [-w file]
['filter_expression']

- a Display in ASCII.
- e Display data link header.
- F Filter expression in file.
- I Listen on int interface.
- n Don't resolve IP addresses.
- r Read packets from file.
- s Get snaplen bytes from each packet.
- S Use absolute TCP sequence numbers.
- t Don't print timestamp.
- v Verbose mode.
- w Write packets to file
- x Display in hex.

Acronyms

| | | | |
|-------|--|--------|--|
| AH | Authentication Header | ISAKMP | Internet Security Association & Key Management |
| ARP | Address Resolution Protocol | L2T | Layer2 Tunneling Protocol |
| BGP | Border Gateway Protocol | NTP | Network News Transfer Protocol |
| CWR | Congestion Window Reduced | OSPF | Open Shortest Path First |
| DF | Don't fragment bit (IP) | POP3 | Post Office Protocol |
| DHCP | Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol | RFC | Request for Comments |
| DNS | Domain Name System | RIP | Routing Information Protocol |
| ECN | Explicit Congestion Notification | LDAP | Lightweight Directory Access Protocol |
| EIGRP | Extended IGRP (Cisco) | SMTP | Simple Mail Transfer Protocol |
| ESP | Encapsulating Security Payload | SNMP | Simple Network Management Protocol |
| FTP | File Transfer Protocol | SSH | Secure Shell |
| GRE | Generic Routing Encapsulation | SSL | Secure Sockets Layer |
| HTTP | Hypertext Transfer Protocol (Netscape) | TCP | Transmission Control Protocol |
| ICMP | Internet Control Message Protocol | TFTP | Trivial File Transfer Protocol |
| IGMP | Internet Group Management Protocol | TOS | Type of Service |
| IGRP | Interior Gateway Routing Protocol | UDP | User Datagram Protocol |
| IMAP | Internet Message Access Protocol | | |
| IP | Internet Protocol | | |

UDP HEADER

Bit Number

8 byts

16 bits.

| | |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Source Port (16b) | Destination Port (16b) |
| Length (16b) | Checksum (16b) |

UDP Header Information

Common UDP Well known Server Ports

| | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 7 echo | 138 netbios-dgm |
| 19 chargen | 161 snmp |
| 37 time | 162 snmp-trap |
| 53 domain | 500 isakmp |
| 67 bootps (DHCP) | 514 syslog |
| 68 bootpc (DHCP) | 520 rip |
| 69 tftp | 33434 tracerote |
| 137 netbios-ns | |

Length

(Number of bytes in entire datagram including header; minimum value=8)

Checksum

(Covers pseudo-header and entire UDO datagram)

ARP

Bit Number

| Hardware Address Type (16b) | | Protocol Address Type (16b) |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| H/W Addr.Length (8b) | Protocol Address Length (8b) | Operation (16b) |
| Source Hardware Address (48b) | | |
| Source Hardware Addr. (cont.) | | Source Protocol Addr. (32b) |
| Source Protocol Addr. (cont.) | | Target Hardware Addr. (48b) |
| Target Hardware Address (cont.) | | |
| Target Protocol Address (32b) | | |

ARP Parameters(for Ethernet and IPv4)

Hardware Address Type

- 1 Ethernet
- 6 IEEE 802 LAN

Protocol Address Type

- 2048 Ipv4 (0x800)

Hardware Address Length

- 6 for Ethernet / IEEE 802

Protocol Address Length

- 4 for Ipv4

Operation

- 1 Request
- 2 Reply

DNS

Bit Number

| ID | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|----|----|----|----|---|-------|
| QR | Opcode | AA | TC | RD | RA | Z | RCODE |
| QDCOUNT | | | | | | | |
| ANCOUNT | | | | | | | |
| NSCOUNT | | | | | | | |
| ARCOUNT | | | | | | | |
| Question Section | | | | | | | |
| Answer Section | | | | | | | |
| Authority Section | | | | | | | |
| Additional Information Section | | | | | | | |

DNS Parameters

Query /Response

- 0 Query
- 1 Response

Opcode

- 0 Standard query (QUERY)
- 1 Inverse query (IQUERY)
- 2 Server status request (STATUS)

AA

- (1 = Authoritative Answer)

TC

- (1 = TrunCation)

RD

- (1 = Recursion Desired)

RA

- (1 = Recursion Available)

Z

- (Reserved; set to 0)

Response Code

- 0 No error
- 1 Format Error
- 2 Server Failure
- 3 Non-existent domain (NXDOMAIN)
- 4 Query type not implemented
- 5 Query Refused

QDCOUNT: No. of entries in Question Section

ANCOUNT: No. of resource records in Answer Section

NSCOUNT: No. of name server resource records in Authority Section

QDCOUNT: No. of resource records in Additional Information Section

ICMP

Bit Number

| Type (8b) | Code (8b) | Checksum (16b) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Other message specific information... | | |

Type Name/Codes (code =0 unless otherwise specified)

- 0 Echo Reply
- 3 Destination Unreachable
 - 0 Net Unreachable
 - 1 Host Unreachable
 - 2 Protocol Unreachable
 - 3 Port Unreachable
 - 4 Fragmentation needed & DF Set
 - 5 Source Route Failed
 - 6 Destination Network Unknown
 - 7 Destination Host Unknown
 - 8 Source Host Isolated
 - 9 Network Administratively Prohibited
 - 10 Host Administratively Prohibited
 - 11 Network Unreachable for TOS
 - 12 Host Unreachable for TOS
 - 13 Communications Administratively Prohibited
- 4 Source Quench
- 5 Redirect
 - 0 Redirect Datagram for the Network
 - 1 Redirect Datagram for the Host
 - 2 Redirect Datagram for the TOS & Network
 - 3 Redirect Datagram for the TOS & Host
- 8 Echo
- 9 Router Advertisement
- 10 Router Selection
- 11 Time Exceeded
 - 0 Time to live exceeded in transit
 - 1 Fragment Reassembly Time Exceeded
- 12 Parameter Problem
 - 0 Pointer indicates
 - 1 Missing a Required Option
 - 2 Bad length
- 13 Timestamp
- 14 Timestamp Reply
- 15 Information Request
- 16 Information Reply
- 17 Address Mask Request
- 18 Address Mask Reply
- 30 Traceroute

PING (Echo / Echo Reply)

Bit Number

| Type (8 or 0) | Code (0) | Checksum |
|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| Identifier | | Sequence Number |
| Data... | | |

IP HEADER 20 bytes

Bit Number 160 bits

| | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Version (4b) | IHL (4b) | Type of Service (8b) | Total Length (16b) |
| Identification (16b) | | Flags (3b) | Fragment Offset (13b) |
| Time To Live (8b) | | Protocol (8b) | Header Checksum (16b) |
| Source Address (32b) | | | |
| Destination Address (32b) | | | |
| Options (optional) | | | |

IP Header Contents**Version**

4 IP Version 4

Internet Header Length

Number of 32-bit words in IP header; minimum Value=5 (20 bytes) & maximum value=15 (60 bytes)

Type of Service (PreDTRC) → Differentiated Services

Precedence (000-111) 000
 D (1 = minimize delay) 0
 T (1 = maximize throughput) 0
 R (1 = maximize reliability) 0
 C (1 = minimize cost) 1 =ECN capable
 X (reserved and set to 0) 1 =congestion experienced

Total Length

Number of bytes in packet; maximum length=65,535

Flags (xDM)

x (reserved and set to 0)
 D (1 = Don't Fragment)
 M (1 = More Fragments)

Fragment Offset

Position of this fragment in the original datagram, in units of 8 bytes.

Protocol

| | | |
|--------|--------|----------|
| 1 ICMP | 17 UDP | 88 EIGRP |
| 2 IGMP | 47 GRE | 89 OSPF |
| 6 TCP | 50 ESP | 115 L2TP |
| 9 IGRP | 51 AH | |

Header Checksum

Covers IP header only

Addressing

NET_ID RFC 1918 PRIVATE ADDRESSES
 0-127 Class A 10.0.0.0-10.255.255.255
 128-191 Class B 172.16.0.0-172.31.255.255
 192-223 Class C 192.168.0.0-192.168.255.255
 224-239 Class D (multicast)
 240-255 Class E (experimental)
 HOST_ID
 0 Network value; broadcast (old)
 255 Broadcast

Options (0-40 bytes; padded to 4-byte boundary)

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 0 End of Options list | 68 Timestamp |
| 1 No operation (pad) | 131 Loose source route |
| 7 Record route | 137 Strict source route |

TCP HEADER 20 bytes

Bit Number 160 bits

| | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Source Port (16b) | | Destination Port (16b) | |
| Sequence Number (32b) | | | |
| Acknowledgement Number (32b) | | | |
| Offset (4b) | Reserved (6b) | Flags (6b) | Window (16b) |
| Checksum (16b) | | Urgent Pointer (16b) | |
| Options (Optional) | | | |

TCP Header Contents

Common TCP Well Known Server Ports

| | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 7 echo | 110 pop3 |
| 19 chargen | 111 sunrpc |
| 20 ftp-data | 119 nntp |
| 21 ftp-control | 139 netbios-ssn |
| 22 ssh | 143 imap |
| 23 telnet | 179 bgp |
| 25 smtp | 389 ldap |
| 53 domain | 443 https (ssl) |
| 79 finger | 445 microsoft-ds |
| 80 http | 1080 socks |

Offset

Number of 32-bit words in TCP header; minimum value =5

Reserved

4 bits; set to 0
 ECN bits (used when ECN employed; else 00)
 CWR (1 = sender has cut congestion window in half)
 ECN-Echo 9 1- receiver cuts congestion window in half)

Flags (UAPRSF)

U (1=Urgent pointer valid)
 A (1= Acknowledgement field value valid)
 P (1=Push data)
 R (1=Reset connection)
 S (1= Synchronize sequence numbers)
 F (1=no more data; Finish connection)

Checksum

Covers pseudoheader and entire TCP segment

Urgent Pointer

Points to the sequence number of the byte following urgent data.

Options

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 0 End of Options list | 3 Window scale |
| 1 No operation (pad) | 4 Selective ACK ok |
| 2 Maximum segment size | 8 Timestamp |