

Assignment - 7

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Title: Packet analysis

Problem Statement:

Write a program in C/C++ to analyze the following packet formats captured through Wireshark for wired internet:

- ethernet
- IP
- TCP
- UDP

Objectives:

Analysis of ethernet, TCP, UDP, IP packet structures.

Outcomes:

Demonstrate various fields in header structure of TCP/IP/UDP and ethernet packets.

Requirements:

Wireshark, eclipse IDE

Theory:

Ethernet Frame Format: Basic frame format is defined in IEEE 802.3. Preamble: This is a pattern of alternate 0s and 1s to indicate shifting of frame and allow sender

and to establish synchronization.

SFD: This 1 byte is always set to '01010111' indicating upcoming bit starting of frame.

Destination address: MAC address of destination.

Source address: MAC address of source.

Length: Length of entire ethernet.

Definition: Place where actual data is inserted as a protocol. Max length is 1500 bits.

CRC: This contains 32 bit hash code of data which is generated over destination addr, source addr, length of data field.

UDP: It is the simplest transport layer commⁿ protocol available of TCP/IP protocol suite. It involves min. amount of commⁿ mechanism.

Source port: This 16 bit info. is used to identify source port of the packet.

Destination port~~ket~~: This 16 bit port is used to identify application level service on destⁿ machine.

Length: Length of UDP packet

Checksum: Stores checksum value generated by sender before sending

UDP is simple and suitable for query based commⁿ.

TCP:

- It identifies source port~~ket~~ of applicant process on sending.
- It identifies destⁿ port of application process on receiving device.
- Sequence no. of data types of segment in a source.
- This no. contains the next sequence no. of type expected.
- Used for flow control b/w 2 stations.
- Points to urgent datatype if urg flag is set.

Internet Protocol:

1. Version: version of IP used
2. IHL: length of IP header
3. DSCP: differential services code point, types of services
4. ECN: carrier information used about congestion seen in route
5. Total length: length of active IP.
6. Identification: to identify original IP packet they belong to.
7. Flags: as required by network resources
8. Source address: 32 bit address of sender.

Capture packets using Wireshark:

- Open Wireshark
- Export packet in CSV format
- Analyze and extract necessary info in program.

Conclusion:

Thus we have successfully analyzed data packet transfer ~~on~~ from one machine to another on different protocols using functionalities of libcap in C++.