#### Part a.

# Steps to execute the program:

**Step 1:** Compile the packet\_sniffer.c program.

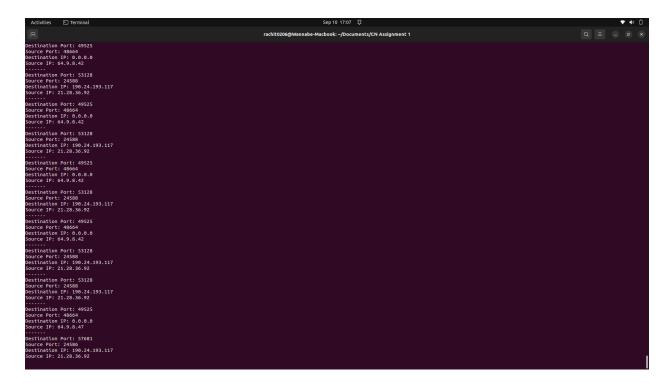
Command: gcc packet\_sniffer.c -o <output file name>
[Generic] gcc <path to packet\_sniffer.c> -o <output file name>

**Step 2:** Run the compiled executable file. Make sure that you are in the directory where the executable file is present.

Command: sudo ./<output file name>

Note: Sudo is very important as we are opening a raw socket which requires super user permissions.

**Step 3:** To exit the program use (Ctrl + C).



## **Explanation:**

We use the socket call to open a socket: 'socket(AF\_PACKET, SOCK\_RAW, htons(ETH\_P\_ALL))' and the arguments are used so as to sniff all the packets passing through. The htons() function converts the unsigned short integer hostshort from host byte order to network byte order. Once the socket is created we

use the recvfrom function to receive the packet data passing through the socket and temporarily store it in an unsigned char buffer. Now, we use two different functions, one to process the IP addresses present in the IP Headers and another to retrieve the ports information from TCP Headers. We know that the packets contain a variety of headers as they pass through different layers in the network stack. Hence, the packet will initially contain the ethernet headers which are of 14 bytes and we type cast the buffer data(with an offset of 14 bytes: buffer + 14) to struct ip and using this we can extract all the information contained in the IP Headers. Similarly, we type cast the buffer data(with an offset of 14 bytes(ethernet header) + size of ip(IP header)) to struct tephdr and using this we can extract the ports data.

#### Part b.

PCAP file used: 2.pcap

### Steps of execution

**Step 1:** Compile the packet\_sniffer.c program.

Command: gcc countflow.cpp -o <output file name> -lstdc++

**Step 2**: Run the compiled executable file. Make sure that you are in the directory where the executable file is present.

Command: sudo ./<output file name>

**Step 3:** Open another terminal instance, and use tcp replay to replay the provided pcap file and extract its information in the running packet sniffer program. Command: sudo tcpreplay -i lo --mbps=2 <path to pcap file>

**Step 4:** Once the topreplay program is done, exit the main program using Ctrl + C.

**Step 5:** Open the flows.txt file generated to view the data

The b. part involves extracting certain information from the packets. More specifically, we record the total number flows and store all of them in a text file. To do this, we manipulate the extracted data to make a tuple as indicated in the program. We make a map of all the tuples and add each tuple to the tuple as and when we encounter it the first time. When the same happens, we also write the tuple into a separate text document for further analysis. We wrote the code for this portion in C++, to utilize the map data structure available in the STL library.

Note: Owing to the loopback lo interface, the program records some excess flows which are not part of the pcap file.

### **Reverse DNS lookups**

```
rachtt0206@Mannabe-Macbook:-/Downloads/Temp$ dig -x 140.82.113.26

; <<>> DiG 9.18.12-Oubuntu0.22.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> -x 140.82.113.26

;; global options: +cmd

;; Got answer:

;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 55574

;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:

;EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 65494

;; QUESTION SECTION:
;26.113.82.140.in-addr.arpa. IN PTR

;; ANSWER SECTION:
26.113.82.140.in-addr.arpa. 3524 IN PTR lb-140-82-113-26-iad.github.com.

;; Query time: 48 msec
;; SERVER: 127.00.53#53(127.0.0.53) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Sun Sep 10 18:54:44 IST 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 100
```

```
rachit0206@Wannabe-Macbook:~/Downloads/Temp$ dig -x 224.0.0.251

; <<>> DiG 9.18.12-0ubuntu0.22.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> -x 224.0.0.251

;; global options: +cmd

;; Got answer:

;; ->>HEADER</->
;; opt options: QUERY, status: NXDOMAIN, id: 53269

;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 0, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:

; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 65494
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;251.0.0.224.in-addr.arpa. IN PTR

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
224.in-addr.arpa. 832 IN SOA sns.dns.icann.org. noc.dns.icann.org. 2022092474 7200 3600 604800 3600

;; Query time: 64 msec
;; SERVER: 127.0.0.53#53(127.0.0.53) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Sun Sep 10 18:55:25 IST 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 110
```

```
rachit0206@Wannabe-Macbook:~/Downloads/Temp$ dig -x 172.217.21.4

; <>> DiG 9.18.12-0ubuntu0.22.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> -x 172.217.21.4

;; global options: +cmd

;; Got answer:

;; ->>HEADER<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 39719

;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 3, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
 ; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 65494

;; QUESTION SECTION:
 ;4.21.217.172.in-addr.arpa. IN PTR

;; ANSWER SECTION:
 4.21.217.172.in-addr.arpa. 21066 IN PTR mrs09s10-in-f4.1e100.net.
 4.21.217.172.in-addr.arpa. 21066 IN PTR fra07s29-in-f4.1e100.net.
 4.21.217.172.in-addr.arpa. 21066 IN PTR muc11s13-in-f4.1e100.net.

;; Query time: 96 msec

;; SERVER: 127.0.0.53#53(127.0.0.53) (UDP)

;; WHEN: Sun Sep 10 18:56:26 IST 2023

;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 150
```

```
rachit0206@Wannabe-Macbook:~/Downloads/Temp$ dig -x 34.223.124.45

; <<>> DiG 9.18.12-0ubuntu0.22.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> -x 34.223.124.45

;; global options: +cmd

;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<-- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 21369
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 65494
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;45.124.223.34.in-addr.arpa. IN PTR

;; ANSWER SECTION:
45.124.223.34.in-addr.arpa. 300 IN PTR ec2-34-223-124-45.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com.

;; Query time: 104 msec
;; SERVER: 127.0.0.53#53(127.0.0.53) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Sun Sep 10 18:56:45 IST 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 118
```

```
rachit0206@Wannabe-Macbook:~/Downloads/Temp$ dig -x 180.149.61.76

; <<>> DiG 9.18.12-0ubuntu0.22.04.2-Ubuntu <<>> -x 180.149.61.76

;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NXDOMAIN, id: 64350
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 0, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
;; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 65494
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;76.61.149.180.in-addr.arpa. IN PTR

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
61.149.180.in-addr.arpa. 1800 IN SOA nkn.in. nknnet.nkn.in. 2019090501 3600 600 3600000 86400

;; Query time: 4808 msec
;; SERVER: 127.0.0.53#53(127.0.0.53) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Sun Sep 10 18:57:47 IST 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 104
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