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Report

on NETWORK PROGRAMMING

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Objective

Write a Network Sniffer.

Generic requirements

- Learn how to manipulate sockets at a lower level, by setting certain options.
- Write a simple sniffer that can capture an IP packet, parse it and print it on the screen in a human readable form.

Grading policy

Assuming that everything is correct,

- 8 for capturing a raw IP packet;
- 9 for properly parsing the packet and displaying it;
- 10 for extending the program with another feature that uses socket options, or describing in detail how that feature could be implemented.

Code in C#

I decided to try implementing a program in some other language (not Python) so here is my result (a console app for a network sniffer in c#)

IPHeader.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using System.IO;
using System.Net;

namespace NetworkSniffer
{
    class IPHeader:UDPHeader
    {
        //IP Header fields
```

```
private byte byVersionAndHeaderLength;
                                               //Eight bits for version and header
length
       private byte byDifferentiatedServices;
                                                //Eight bits for differentiated
services (TOS)
       private ushort usTotalLength;
                                                //Sixteen bits for total length of
the datagram (header + message)
       private ushort usIdentification;
                                                //Sixteen bits for identification
       private ushort usFlagsAndOffset;
                                                //Eight bits for flags and
fragmentation offset
                                               //Eight bits for TTL (Time To Live)
       private byte byTTL;
       private byte byProtocol;
                                               //Eight bits for the underlying
protocol
       private short sChecksum;
                                                //Sixteen bits containing the
checksum of the header
       //(checksum can be negative so taken as short)
       Address
       //End IP Header fields
       private byte byHeaderLength;
                                               //Header length
       private byte[] byIPData = new byte[4096]; //Data carried by the datagram
       public enum Protocol
           TCP = 6,
           UDP = 17,
           Unknown = -1
       public IPHeader() { }
       public IPHeader(byte[] byBuffer, int nReceived)
           try
           {
               //Create MemoryStream out of the received bytes
               MemoryStream memoryStream = new MemoryStream(byBuffer, 0, nReceived);
               //Next we create a BinaryReader out of the MemoryStream
               BinaryReader binaryReader = new BinaryReader(memoryStream);
               //The first eight bits of the IP header contain the version and
               //header length so we read them
               byVersionAndHeaderLength = binaryReader.ReadByte();
               //The next eight bits contain the Differentiated services
               byDifferentiatedServices = binaryReader.ReadByte();
               //Next eight bits hold the total length of the datagram
               usTotalLength =
(ushort)IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
               //Next sixteen have the identification bytes
               usIdentification =
(ushort)IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
               //Next sixteen bits contain the flags and fragmentation offset
               usFlagsAndOffset =
(ushort)IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
               //Next eight bits have the TTL value
               byTTL = binaryReader.ReadByte();
               //Next eight represnts the protocol encapsulated in the datagram
               byProtocol = binaryReader.ReadByte();
```

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//Next sixteen bits contain the checksum of the header
        sChecksum = IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
        //Next thirty two bits have the source IP address
        uiSourceIPAddress = (uint)(binaryReader.ReadInt32());
        //Next thirty two hold the destination IP address
        uiDestinationIPAddress = (uint)(binaryReader.ReadInt32());
        //Now we calculate the header length
        byHeaderLength = byVersionAndHeaderLength;
        //The last four bits of the version and header length field contain the
        //header length, we perform some simple binary airthmatic operations to
        //extract them
        byHeaderLength <<= 4;
        byHeaderLength >>= 4;
        //Multiply by four to get the exact header length
        byHeaderLength *= 4;
        //Copy the data carried by the data gram into another array so that
        //according to the protocol being carried in the IP datagram
        Array.Copy(byBuffer,
                   byHeaderLength, //start copying from the end of the header
                   byIPData, 0,
                   usTotalLength - byHeaderLength);
    catch (Exception ex)
       Console.WriteLine(ex.Message, "occured prease fix errors");
    }
}
public string Version
    get
    {
        //Calculate the IP version
        //The four bits of the IP header contain the IP version
        if ((byVersionAndHeaderLength >> 4) == 4)
        {
            return "IP v4";
        else if ((byVersionAndHeaderLength >> 4) == 6)
        {
            return "IP v6";
        }
        else
        {
            return "Unknown";
        }
    }
}
public string HeaderLength
    get
    {
        return byHeaderLength.ToString();
    }
public ushort MessageLength
```

```
{
        //MessageLength = Total length of the datagram - Header length
        return (ushort)(usTotalLength - byHeaderLength);
}
public string DifferentiatedServices
    get
    {
        //Returns the differentiated services in hexadecimal format
        return string.Format("0x{0:x2} ({1})", byDifferentiatedServices,
            byDifferentiatedServices);
}
public string Flags
    get
        //The first three bits of the flags and fragmentation field
        //represent the flags (which indicate whether the data is
        //fragmented or not)
        int nFlags = usFlagsAndOffset >> 13;
        if (nFlags == 2)
            return "Don't fragment";
        else if (nFlags == 1)
            return "More fragments to come";
        }
        else
            return nFlags.ToString();
        }
    }
}
public string FragmentationOffset
    get
    {
        //The last thirteen bits of the flags and fragmentation field
        //contain the fragmentation offset
        int nOffset = usFlagsAndOffset << 3;</pre>
        nOffset >>= 3;
        return nOffset.ToString();
    }
}
public string TTL
    get
    {
        return byTTL.ToString();
public Protocol ProtocolType
    get
    {
        //The protocol field represents the protocol in the data portion
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//of the datagram
                if (byProtocol == 6)
                                             //A value of six represents the TCP
protocol
                {
                    return Protocol.TCP;
                }
                else if (byProtocol == 17) //Seventeen for UDP
                    return Protocol.UDP;
                }
                else
                    return Protocol.Unknown;
            }
        }
        public string IPChecksum
            get
                //Returns the checksum in hexadecimal format
                return string.Format("0x{0:x2}", sChecksum);
            }
        }
        public IPAddress SourceAddress
            get
                return new IPAddress(uiSourceIPAddress);
            }
        }
        public IPAddress DestinationAddress
            get
            {
                return new IPAddress(uiDestinationIPAddress);
            }
        }
        public string TotalLength
        {
            get
            {
                return usTotalLength.ToString();
            }
        }
        public string Identification
            get
            {
                return usIdentification.ToString();
            }
        }
        public byte[] IPData
            get
            {
                return byIPData;
            }
```

```
public void ShowIP()
                   Console.WriteLine("An IP packet of size of {0} bytes was reached",
this.TotalLength);
                   Console.WriteLine("Parsed data");
                  Console.WriteLine("Parsed data");
Console.WriteLine("{");
Console.WriteLine("Ver: " + this.Version);
Console.WriteLine("Header Length: " + this.HeaderLength);
Console.WriteLine("Differntiated Services: " + this.DifferentiatedServices);
Console.WriteLine("Total Length: " + this.TotalLength);
Console.WriteLine("Identification: " + this.Identification);
Console.WriteLine("Flags: " + this.Flags);
Console.WriteLine("Fragmentation Offset: " + this.FragmentationOffset);
Console.WriteLine("Time to live: " + this.TTL);
switch (this ProtocolType)
                  switch (this.ProtocolType)
                          case Protocol.TCP:
                                 Console.WriteLine("Protocol: " + "TCP");
                                 break;
                          case Protocol.UDP:
                                Console.WriteLine("Protocol: " + "UDP");
                          case Protocol.Unknown:
                                 Console.WriteLine("Protocol: " + "Unknown");
                                break;
                  Console.WriteLine("Checksum: " + this.IPChecksum);
                  Console.WriteLine("Source: " + this.SourceAddress.ToString());
                  Console.WriteLine("Destination: " + this.DestinationAddress.ToString());
                  Console.WriteLine("}");
             }
      }
}
```

UDPheader.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using System.IO;
using System.Net;
namespace NetworkSniffer
    class UDPHeader
    {
        //UDP header fields
        private ushort usSourcePort;
                                                //Sixteen bits for the source port
number
        private ushort usDestinationPort;
                                                //Sixteen bits for the destination port
number
        private ushort usLength;
                                                //Length of the UDP header
        private short sChecksum;
                                                //Sixteen bits for the checksum
        //(checksum can be negative so taken as short)
        //End UDP header fields
```

```
private byte[] byUDPData = new byte[4096]; //Data carried by the UDP packet
        public UDPHeader() { }
        public UDPHeader(byte[] byBuffer, int nReceived)
            MemoryStream memoryStream = new MemoryStream(byBuffer, 0, nReceived);
            BinaryReader binaryReader = new BinaryReader(memoryStream);
            //The first sixteen bits contain the source port
            usSourcePort =
(ushort)IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
            //The next sixteen bits contain the destination port
            usDestinationPort =
(ushort)IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
            //The next sixteen bits contain the length of the UDP packet
            usLength = (ushort)IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
            //The next sixteen bits contain the checksum
            sChecksum = IPAddress.NetworkToHostOrder(binaryReader.ReadInt16());
            //Copy the data carried by the UDP packet into the data buffer
            Array.Copy(byBuffer,
                                        //The UDP header is of 8 bytes so we start
                       8,
copying after it
                       byUDPData,
                       0,
                       nReceived - 8);
        }
        public string SourcePort
            get
                return usSourcePort.ToString();
            }
        }
        public string DestinationPort
            get
            {
                return usDestinationPort.ToString();
            }
        }
        public string Length
            get
            {
                return usLength.ToString();
            }
        }
        public string Checksum
            get
            {
                //Return the checksum in hexadecimal format
                return string.Format("0x{0:x2}", sChecksum);
            }
        }
        public byte[] Data
```

```
{
    get
    {
        return byUDPData;
    }
}

public void showUDP()
{
    Console.WriteLine("UDP datagram");
    Console.WriteLine("{");
    Console.WriteLine("Source Port: " + this.SourcePort);
    Console.WriteLine("Destination Port: " +this.DestinationPort);
    Console.WriteLine("Length: " + this.Length);
    Console.WriteLine("Checksum: " + this.Checksum);
    Console.WriteLine("}");
}
```

Program.cs(main)

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using System.Net.Sockets;
using System.Net;
namespace NetworkSniffer
{
    class Program : IPHeader
    {
        private Socket mainSocket;
                                                             //The socket which captures
all incoming packets
        private byte[] byteData = new byte[4096];
        private bool bContinueCapturing = false;
        private void ParseData(byte[] byteData, int nReceived)
            //Since all protocol packets are encapsulated in the IP datagram
            //so we start by parsing the IP header and see what protocol data
            //is being carried by it
            IPHeader ipHeader = new IPHeader(byteData, nReceived);
            //Now according to the protocol being carried by the IP datagram we parse
            //the data field of the datagram
            switch (ipHeader.ProtocolType)
            {
                case Protocol.TCP:
                    ipHeader.ShowIP();
                    break;
                case Protocol.UDP:
```

```
UDPHeader udpHeader = new UDPHeader(ipHeader.IPData,
//IPHeader.Data stores the data being
                        //carried by the IP datagram
(int)ipHeader.MessageLength);//Length of the data field
                    ipHeader.ShowIP();
                    udpHeader.showUDP();
                    break;
                case Protocol.Unknown:
                    break;
            }
        private void OnReceive(IAsyncResult ar)
            try
            {
                int nReceived = mainSocket.EndReceive(ar);
                //Analyze the bytes received...
                ParseData(byteData, nReceived);
                if (bContinueCapturing)
                        byteData = new byte[4096];
                        //Another call to BeginReceive so that we continue to receive
the incoming
                        //packets
                        mainSocket.BeginReceive(byteData, 0, byteData.Length,
SocketFlags.None,
                                 new AsyncCallback(OnReceive), null);
                    }
            catch (ObjectDisposedException)
            catch (Exception ex)
                Console.WriteLine(ex.Message, "occured fix errors");
            }
        }
        static void Main(string[] args)
            try
                Program sniffer = new Program();
                if(sniffer.bContinueCapturing==false)
                    //Start capturing the packets...
```

```
sniffer.bContinueCapturing = true;
                    //For sniffing the socket to capture the packets has to be a raw
socket, with the
                    //address family being of type internetwork, and protocol being IP
                    sniffer.mainSocket = new Socket(AddressFamily.InterNetwork,
                        SocketType.Raw, System.Net.Sockets.ProtocolType.IP);
                    IPAddress[] ip = Dns.GetHostAddresses("127.0.0.100");
                    //Bind the socket to the selected IP address
                    sniffer.mainSocket.Bind(new IPEndPoint(ip[0], 0));
                    //Set the socket options
                    sniffer.mainSocket.SetSocketOption(SocketOptionLevel.IP,
//Applies only to IP packets
                                               SocketOptionName.HeaderIncluded, //Set
the include the header
                                               true);
//option to true
                    byte[] byTrue = new byte[4] { 1, 0, 0, 0 };
                    byte[] byOut = new byte[4] { 1, 0, 0, 0 }; //Capture outgoing
packets
                    //Socket.IOControl is analogous to the WSAIoctl method of Winsock 2
                    sniffer.mainSocket.IOControl(IOControlCode.ReceiveAll,
//Equivalent to SIO_RCVALL constant
                        //of Winsock 2
                                         byTrue,
                                         byOut);
                    //Start receiving the packets asynchronously
                    sniffer.mainSocket.BeginReceive(sniffer.byteData, 0,
sniffer.byteData.Length, SocketFlags.None,
                         new AsyncCallback(sniffer.OnReceive), null);
                }
            }
            catch (Exception ex)
                Console.WriteLine(ex.Message, "occured fix errors");
            Console.ReadKey();
       }
   }
}
```

Screenshots of the result

The main features of the code were comented inside the listing so here is an example of received output.

```
Выбрать file:///C:/Users/Tolea/Desktop/NetworkSniffer/NetworkSniffer/bin,
An IP packet of size of 29 bytes was reached
Parsed data
Ver: IP v4
Header Length: 20
Differntiated Services: 0x00 (0)
Total Length: 29
Identification: 10566
Flags: 0
Fragmentation Offset: 0
Time to live: 128
Protocol: UDP
Checksum: 0x00
Source: 127.0.0.1
Destination: 127.0.0.1
UDP datagram
Source Port: 62648
Destination Port: 62648
Length: 9
Checksum: 0x1868
```

```
Выбрать file:///C:/Users/Tolea/Desktop/NetworkSniffer/NetworkSniffe
An IP packet of size of 41 bytes was captured
Parsed data
Ver: IP v4
Header Length: 20
Differntiated Services: 0x00 (0)
Total Length: 41
Identification: 18526
Flags: Don't fragment
ragmentation Offset: 16384
Time to live: 128
Protocol: TCP
Checksum: 0x00
Source: 127.0.0.1
Destination: 127.0.0.1
An IP packet of size of 40 bytes was captured
```

Figure 1-2 Screenshots of the results for UDP datagram and TCP segment

Conclusion

In this laboratory work I studied the basics of implementing Network Sniffer program using C# and also I learned how to parse an IP and UDP headers using C# features.