WIRESHARK

What is Wireshark

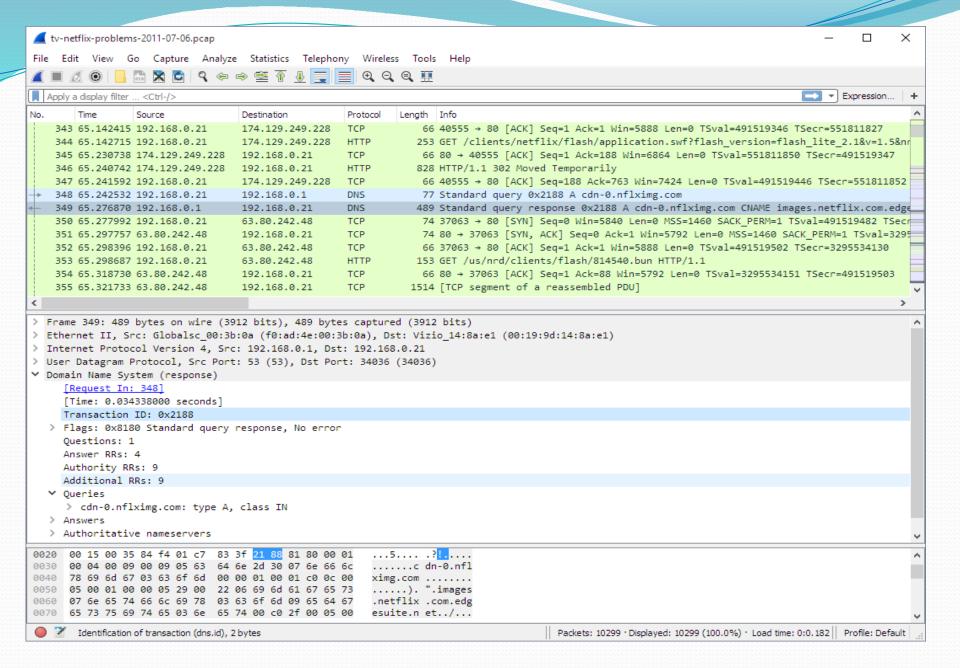
- Wireshark is a network packet analyzer that captured packet data in as much detail as possible.
- You could think of a network packet analyzer as a measuring device for examining what's happening inside a network cable, just like an electrician uses a voltmeter for examining what's happening inside an electric cable (but at a higher level, of course).
- In the past, such tools were either very expensive, proprietary, or both.
- However, with the advent of Wireshark, that has changed. Wireshark is available for free, is open source, and is one of the best packet analyzers available today.

Intended Purposes

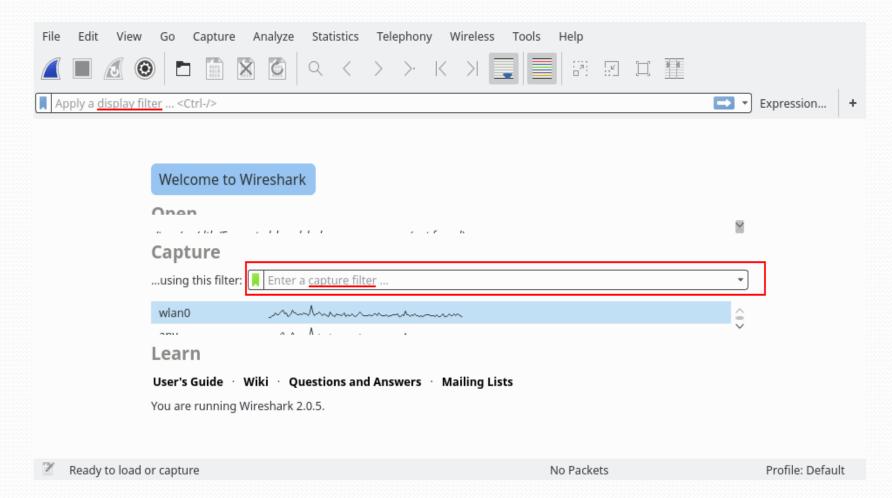
- Network administrators use it to troubleshoot network problems
- Network security engineers use it to examine security problems
- QA engineers use it to verify network applications
- Developers use it to debug protocol implementations
- People use it to learn network protocol internals
- Wireshark can also be helpful in many other situations.

Features

- Available for UNIX and Windows.
- Capture live packet data from a network interface.
- Open files containing packet data captured with tcpdump/WinDump,
 Wireshark, and many other packet capture programs.
- Import packets from text files containing hex dumps of packet data.
- Display packets with very detailed protocol information.
- Save packet data captured.
- Export some or all packets in a number of capture file formats.
- Filter packets on many criteria.
- Search for packets on many criteria.
- Colorize packet display based on filters.
- Create various statistics.
- ...and a lot more!



Capture filters



Capture syntax

- Capture only traffic to or from IP address 172.18.5.4:
 - host 192.168.5.42 (display filter: ip.host == 192.168.5.42)
- Capture traffic to or from a range of IP addresses:
 - net 192.168.0.0/24

or

- net 192.168.0.0 mask 255.255.255.0
- Capture traffic from a range of IP addresses:
 - src net 192.168.0.0/24

or

- src net 192.168.0.0 mask 255.255.255.0
- Capture traffic to a range of IP addresses:
 dst net 192.168.0.0/24

or

dst net 192.168.0.0 mask 255.255.255.0

Capture syntax (cont.)

- Capture only DNS (port 53) traffic:
 - port 53 (display filter: tcp.port == 53 / udp.port ==80)
- Capture non-HTTP and non-SMTP traffic on your server (both are equivalent):
 - host www.example.com and not (port 80 or port 25)
 - host www.example.com and not port 80 and not port 25
- Capture except all ARP and DNS traffic:
 - port not 53 and not arp
- Capture traffic within a range of ports
 - tcp portrange 1501-1549
- Capture only IPv4 traffic the shortest filter, but sometimes very useful to get rid of lower layer protocols like ARP and STP:
 - ip
- Capture only unicast traffic useful to get rid of noise on the network if you only want to see traffic to and from your machine, not, for example, broadcast and multicast announcements:
 - not broadcast and not multicast

- Q1: Types of interfaces listed Wifi, wired, Virtual, Loopback
- Q2: Tell me differences between them.