

## The Basic HTTP GET/response interaction

Reference files for this part:

- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_files/basic-http-get-response.pcapng
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/wireshark-basic-http-get.pdf
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/wireshark-basic-http-response.pdf

### 1. Is your browser running HTTP version 1.0, 1.1, or 2? What version of HTTP is the server running?

-Both my browser and the server are running **HTTP version 1.1**

### 2. What languages (if any) does your browser indicate that it can accept to the server?

- Accept-language is en-US (US English)

### 3. What is the IP address of your computer? What is the IP address of the gaia.cs.umass.edu server?

- IP address of my computer is **10.0.2.15**
- IP address for gaia.cs.umass.edu server is **128.119.245.12**

### 4. What is the status code returned from the server to your browser?

- The status code is 200.

### 5. When was the HTML file that you are retrieving last modified at the server?

- Last modified Thursday, 2 Jan, 2025, 06:59:02 GMT

### 6. How many bytes of content are being returned to your browser?

- The content is 128 bytes

### 7. By inspecting the raw data in the packet content window, do you see any headers within the data that are not displayed in the packet-listing window? If so, name one.

- There are no headers.

## The HTTP CONDITIONAL GET/response interaction

Reference files for this part:

- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_files/http-conditional-get-response.pcapng
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/conditional-get\_no.pdf
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/conditional-get\_yes.pdf
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/conditional-not\_modified.pdf
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/conditional-response1.pdf

**8. Inspect the contents of the first HTTP GET request from your browser to the server. Do you see an "IF-MODIFIED-SINCE" line in the HTTP GET?**

- No

**9. Inspect the contents of the server response. Did the server explicitly return the contents of the file? How can you tell?**

- Yes the server returned the content of the file explicitly.
- I can tell because the response status is 200 OK. Also, when the header **Line-based text data** in the **packet detail pane** is expanded, the same content displayed in the browser is displayed.

**10. Now inspect the contents of the second HTTP GET request from your browser to the server. Do you see an "IF-MODIFIED-SINCE:" line in the HTTP GET? If so, what information follows the "IF-MODIFIED-SINCE:" header?**

- Yes. The information is **Thu, 02 Jan 2025 06:59:02 GMT \r\n**

**11. What is the HTTP status code and phrase returned from the server in response to this second HTTP GET? Did the server explicitly return the contents of the file? Explain.**

- The response status code is **304**.
- The server did not explicitly return the content, since the text after the status code reads **Not Modified**

## Retrieving Long Documents

Reference files for this part

- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_files/long-doc-retrieval.pcapng
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/wireshark-retrieval-get\_16.pdf
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/wireshark-retrieval-response\_21.pdf

**12. How many HTTP GET request messages did your browser send? Which packet number in the trace contains the GET message for the Bill of Rights?**

- My browser sent one **GET request**
- The packet number in the trace containing the GET for the Bill of Rights is 16.

**13. Which packet number in the trace contains the status code and phrase associated with the response to the HTTP GET request?**

- The packet number in the trace containing the status code and phrase associated with the response to the HTTP GET is **21**.

**14. What is the status code and phrase in the response?**

- The status code is **200 OK** and the phrase is **(text/html)**

### 15. How many data-containing TCP segments were needed to carry the single HTTP response and the text of the Bill of Rights?

- Four data-containing TCP segments were needed.

## HTML Documents with Embedded Objects

Reference file for this part

- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_files/embedded\_objects.pcapng
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/wireshark-embedded-object\_1.pdf
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/wireshark--embedded-object\_2.pdf

### 16. How many HTTP GET request messages did your browser send? To which Internet addresses were these GET requests sent?

- Four HTTP GET request were sent, including `GET /favicon.ico`. So, without `GET /favicon.ico`, three requests were sent.
- The addresses are:
  - `/wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file4.html`
  - `/pearson.png`
  - `/8E_cover_small.jpg`

### 17. Can you tell whether your browser downloaded the two images serially, or whether they were downloaded from the two web sites in parallel? Explain.

- Yes, they were downloaded serially. This is because the time difference between the first and second HTTP GET request for the images is  $05:13:40.601781039 - 05:13:40.343538981 = 0.258242058$ . That is `0.258242058 seconds`, which is quite significant in terms of computer time.

## HTTP Authentication

Reference files for this part

- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_files/http-authenticate.pcapng
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/http-authenticate-401-unauth.pdf
- HTTP\_Wireshark\_Lab/wireshark\_pdfs/http-authenticate-auth.pdf

### 18. What is the server's response (status code and phrase) in response to the initial HTTP GET message from your browser?

- The status code is `401` and the phrase is `Unauthorized`; there is the header `WWW-Authenticate`

### 19. When your browser sends the HTTP GET message for the second time, what new field is included in the HTTP GET message?

- The field is `Authorization: Basic d2lyZXNo...cms=\r\n` header