Computer Networks Lab1

Each step and how to run my program:

Topo.py(Modify topo.py and create the following new network topology)

- 1. Import necessary Mininet modules and libraries.
- 2. Define a custom Mininet topology (MininetTopo) by inheriting from the Topo class and implementing the build method. This method adds hosts ("h1", "h2", "h3", "h4") and switches ("s1", "s2", "s3") to the topology and creates bidirectional links between them with specified bandwidth (2 Mbps).
- 3. Set the log level for Mininet.
- 4. Check if the "../out/" directory exists and create it if not.
- 5. Create an instance of the custom topology (MininetTopo).
- Create a Mininet network with the specified topology, an OvS controller, and use TCLink for links.
- 7. Start the Mininet network.
- 8. Perform iperf measurements.
- 9. Open the Mininet command-line interface (CLI).
- 10. Stop the Mininet network.

```
from mininet.net import Mininet
        from mininet.topo import Topo
       from mininet.node import OVSController
       from mininet.link import TCLink
       from mininet.cli import CLI
       from mininet.log import setLogLevel
       import os
       class MininetTopo(Topo):
             def build(self):
11
                   self.addHost("h1")
self.addHost("h2")
self.addHost("h3")
                   self.addHost("h4")
                   self.addSwitch("s1")
                    self.addSwitch("s2")
                    self.addSwitch("s3")
                   # Add bidirectional links to a topology, and set bandwidth(Mbps)
self.addLink("h1", "s1", bw=2)
self.addLink("s1", "s2", bw=2)
self.addLink("s1", "s3", bw=2)
self.addLink("s1", "s3", bw=2)
self.addLink("s2", "h3", bw=2)
self.addLink("s2", "h4", bw=2)
```

```
setLogLevel('info')
if not os.path.isdir("../out/"):
    os.mkdir("../out/")
# Create a topology
topo = MininetTopo()
# Create and manage a network with a OvS controller and use TCLink
net = Mininet(
   topo = topo,
    controller = OVSController,
    link = TCLink)
# Start a network
net.start()
##### iperf #####
h1 = net.get("h1")
h2 = net.get("h2")
# Use tcpdump to record packet in background
print("start to record trace in h2")
h2.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/h2_output.pcap &")
print("create flow via iperf")
```

```
# TCP flow
h2.cmd("iperf -s -i 1 -t 5 -p 7777 > ../out/result_s.txt &")
h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h2.IP()) + " -i 1 -t 5 -p 7777 > ../out/result_c.txt &")

# open CLI
CLI(net)
net.stop()
```

Topo_TCP.py: (generate two TCP flows from h1 to h3 and one TCP flow from h2 to h4)

- 1. Import Mininet modules and libraries.
- 2. Define a custom Mininet topology (MininetTopo) by inheriting from the Topo class and implementing the build method. This method adds hosts ("h1", "h2", "h3", "h4") and switches ("s1", "s2", "s3") to the topology and creates bidirectional links between them with specified bandwidth (2 Mbps).
- 3. Set the log level for Mininet.
- 4. Check if the "../out/" directory exists and create it if not.
- 5. Create an instance of the custom topology (MininetTopo).
- 6. Create a Mininet network with the specified topology, an OvS controller, and use TCLink for links.
- 7. Start the Mininet network.
- 8. Perform iperf measurements and TCP flows.
 - Get references to hosts h1, h2, h3, and h4.
 - Start tcpdump on h3 and h4 to record packets.
 - Create TCP flows using iperf.
- 9. Open the Mininet command-line interface (CLI).
- 10. Stop the Mininet network.

```
from mininet.net import Mininet
     rom mininet.topo import Topo
 2
     from mininet.node import OVSController
     from mininet.link import TCLink
     from mininet.cli import CLI
     from mininet.log import setLogLevel
 6
     import os
 8
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 9 ∨ class MininetTopo(Topo):
         def build(self):
10 ~
              # Add hosts to a topology
11
              self.addHost("h1")
12
13
              self.addHost("h2")
              self.addHost("h3")
14
              self.addHost("h4")
15
16
             # Add switches to a topology
17
              self.addSwitch("s1")
18
19
              self.addSwitch("s2")
              self.addSwitch("s3")
20
21
22
              # Add bidirectional links to a topology, and set bandwidth(Mbps)
              self.addLink("h1", "s1", bw=2)
23
              self.addLink("h2", "s1", bw=2)
24
              self.addLink("s1", "s2", bw=2)
25
              self.addLink("s1", "s3", bw=2)
26
              self.addLink("s2", "h3", bw=2)
27
              self.addLink("s3", "h4", bw=2)
28
     if name = ' main ':
30
         setLogLevel('info')
31
         if not os.path.isdir("../out/"):
             os.mkdir("../out/")
34
         # Create a topology
35
         topo = MininetTopo()
37
         # Create and manage a network with an OvS controller and use TCLink
38
39
         net = Mininet(
             topo=topo,
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41
             controller=OVSController,
             link=TCLink)
43
```

Start a network

net.start()

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```
##### iperf and TCP flows #####
48
         h1 = net.get("h1")
49
         h2 = net.get("h2")
         h3 = net.get("h3")
         h4 = net.get("h4")
51
         # Use tcpdump to record packet in background
         print("start to record trace in h3 and h4")
         h3.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/TCP_h3.pcap &")
         h4.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/TCP_h4.pcap &")
         # Create flows via iperf
         print("create flows via iperf")
60
         # TCP flows from h1 to h3
61
62
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/TCP_s_h3_1.txt &")
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/TCP_c_h1_1.txt &")
65
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/TCP_s_h3_2.txt &")
66
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/TCP_c_h1_2.txt &")
67
         # TCP flow from h2 to h4
68
         h4.cmd("iperf -s -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/TCP_s_h4.txt δ")
69
70
         h2.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h4.IP()) + " -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/TCP_c_h2.txt &")
```

Topo_UDP.py(generate two UDP flows from h1 to h3 and one UDP flow from h2 to h4. (three flows in total)):

- 1. Import Mininet modules and libraries.
- 2. Define a custom Mininet topology (MininetTopo) by inheriting from the Topo class and implementing the build method. This method adds hosts ("h1", "h2", "h3", "h4") and switches ("s1", "s2", "s3") to the topology and creates bidirectional links between them with specified bandwidth (2 Mbps).
- 3. Set the log level for Mininet.
- 4. Check if the "../out/" directory exists and create it if not.
- 5. Create an instance of the custom topology (MininetTopo).
- 6. Create a Mininet network with the specified topology, an OvS controller, and use TCLink for links.
- 7. Start the Mininet network.
- 8. Perform iperf measurements and TCP flows.
 - Get references to hosts h1, h2, h3, and h4.
 - Start tcpdump on h3 and h4 to record packets.
 - Create UDP flows using iperf.
- 9. Open the Mininet command-line interface (CLI).
- 10. Stop the Mininet network.

```
from mininet.net import Mininet
     from mininet.topo import Topo
     from mininet.node import OVSController
     from mininet.link import TCLink
     from mininet.cli import CLI
     from mininet.log import setLogLevel
 6
     import os
 8
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     class MininetTopo(Topo):
         def build(self):
10
             # Add hosts to a topology
11
             self.addHost("h1")
12
             self.addHost("h2")
13
             self.addHost("h3")
14
             self.addHost("h4")
15
16
             # Add switches to a topology
17
             self.addSwitch("s1")
18
             self.addSwitch("s2")
19
             self.addSwitch("s3")
20
21
             # Add bidirectional links to a topology, and set bandwidth(Mbps)
22
             self.addLink("h1", "s1", bw=2)
23
             self.addLink("h2", "s1", bw=2)
24
             self.addLink("s1", "s2", bw=2)
25
             self.addLink("s1", "s3", bw=2)
26
             self.addLink("s2", "h3", bw=2)
27
             self.addLink("s3", "h4", bw=2)
28
30 \vee if _name_ = '_main_':
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```
setLogLevel('info')
31
         if not os.path.isdir("../out/"):
32 v
             os.mkdir("../out/")
33
34
35
         # Create a topology
         topo = MininetTopo()
36
37
         # Create and manage a network with an OvS controller and use TCLink
38
         net = Mininet(
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             topo=topo,
40
             controller=OVSController,
41
             link=TCLink)
42
43
         # Start a network
44
         net.start()
45
```

```
##### iperf and UDP flows #####
         h1 = net.get("h1")
h2 = net.get("h2")
         h3 = net.get("h3")
50
         h4 = net.get("h4")
         # Use tcpdump to record packet in background
         print("start to record trace in h3 and h4")
         h3.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/UDP_h3.pcap &")
         h4.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/UDP_h4.pcap &")
         # Create flows via iperf
         print("create flows via iperf")
60
         # UDP flows from h1 to h3
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/UDP_s_h3_1.txt δ")
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/UDP_c_h1_1.txt δ")
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/UDP_s_h3_2.txt &")
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/UDP_c_h1_2.txt &")
         # UDP flow from h2 to h4
         h4.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/UDP_s_h4.txt δ")
         h2.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h4.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/UDP_c_h2.txt &")
70
```

computeRate.py(to compute throughput of each flow in Task 3) :

- 1. Initialization: The script initializes variables to store packet sizes for TCP flows (size1, size2, size3).
- Loop for TCP flows: The script loops over the TCP pcap files
 (../out/TCP_h3.pcap and ../out/TCP_h4.pcap). For each file, it reads the pcap and counts the number of TCP packets.
- 3. TCP Flow Analysis: Based on the file path, the script analyzes the TCP flows. It checks the destination ports and accumulates the packet sizes for different flows.
- 4. Compute TCP Throughputs: Using the accumulated packet sizes, the script calculates the throughput for each TCP flow (tp1, tp2, tp3).
- 5. Repeat for UDP Flows: The script then reinitializes variables and repeats the process for UDP flows (../out/UDP h3.pcap and ../out/UDP h4.pcap).
- 6. Compute UDP Throughputs: Similar to TCP flows, the script calculates the throughput for each UDP flow (tp1, tp2, tp3).
- 7. Print Results: Finally, the script prints the computed throughput values for TCP and UDP flows.

```
from scapy.config import conf
conf.ipv6_enabled = False
from scapy.all import *
import sys
```

```
16
     # read pcap
         packets = rdpcap(INPUTPATH)
17
18
19
         # print ("***Count number of TCP packets***")
20
         count = 0
21
         for packet in packets[TCP]:
22
             count += 1
23
24
         # print ("number of TCP packets: ", count)
25
26
         #tcp
         if INPUTPATH="../out/TCP_h3.pcap":
27
28
             for i in range(count):
                 if packets[TCP][i][2].dport=7778:
29
                     size1=len(packets[TCP][i])+size1
30
                 elif packets[TCP][i][2].dport=7779:
31
                     size2=len(packets[TCP][i])+size2
32
         if INPUTPATH=" .. /out/TCP h4.pcap":
33
             for i in range(count):
34
                 if packets[TCP][i][2].dport=7780:
35
36
                     size3=len(packets[TCP][i])+size3
37
     tp1=size1*8/(5*1000000)
38
     tp2=size2*8/(5*1000000)
39
     tp3=size3*8/(5*1000000)
40
     print("--TCP---")
41
     print(f"Flow1(h1→h3):{tp1} Mbps")
42
     print(f"Flow2(h1→h3):{tp2} Mbps")
43
     print(f"Flow3(h2→h4):{tp3} Mbps")
44
```

```
#udp
48
    size1=0
49
    size2=0
50
51
    size3=0
52
    for k in range (2):
        INPUTPATH= sys.argv[k+3]
53
        # print(INPUTPATH)
54
     # read pcap
56
         packets = rdpcap(INPUTPATH)
57
         # print ("***Count number of UDP packets***")
58
59
         count = 0
         for packet in packets[UDP]:
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             count += 1
61
62
         #udp
         if INPUTPATH="../out/UDP_h3.pcap":
63 🗸
             for i in range(count):
64 ~
                 if packets[UDP][i][2].dport=7778:
65 V
                     size1=len(packets[UDP][i])+size1
66
                 elif packets[UDP][i][2].dport=7779:
67 v
                     size2=len(packets[UDP][i])+size2
68
         if INPUTPATH=" .. /out/UDP h4.pcap":
69 🗸
             for i in range(count):
70 v
71 ~
                 if packets[UDP][i][2].dport=7780:
                     size3=len(packets[UDP][i])+size3
72
73
     tp1=size1*8/(5*1000000)
74
     tp2=size2*8/(5*1000000)
75
     tp3=size3*8/(5*1000000)
76
     print("\n—UDP—")
77
     print(f"Flow4(h1→h3):{tp1} Mbps")
78
     print(f"Flow5(h1→h3):{tp2} Mbps")
79
     print(f"Flow6(h2→h4):{tp3} Mbps")
80
```

Observation:

In this lab1 provides a comprehensive example of creating, configuring, and analyzing a Mininet network with traffic generation and capture. It would be beneficial to include more comments in the code to enhance readability and clarify the purpose of each section. Additionally, error handling and validation for command-line arguments could be improved to handle unexpected input more gracefully.

Questions:

What does each iPerf command you used mean?

ANS:

In topo_TCP.py:

- This starts tcpdump on hosts h3 and h4 to capture and record the network packets. The captured packets will be saved in the specified pcap files (../out/TCP h3.pcap and ../out/TCP h4.pcap).
- 2. For TCP flows from h1 to h3:
 - h3 acts as the server (iperf -s) with port 7778, and the output is redirected to ../out/TCP s h3 1.txt.
 - h1 acts as the client (iperf -c) connecting to h3's IP address and port 7778. The client's output is redirected to ../out/TCP_c_h1_1.txt.
 - The same process is repeated with a different port (7779) and output file names for a second TCP flow.
- 3. For the TCP flow from h2 to h4:
 - Similar to the previous flows, h4 acts as the server (iperf -s) with port 7780, and the output is redirected to ../out/TCP s h4.txt.
 - h2 acts as the client (iperf -c) connecting to h4's IP address and port 7780, with the client's output redirected to ../out/TCP c h2.txt.

```
##### iperf and TCP flows #####
         h1 = net.get("h1")
48
         h2 = net.get("h2")
50
         h3 = net.get("h3")
         h4 = net.get("h4")
53
         # Use tcpdump to record packet in background
         print("start to record trace in h3 and h4")
54
         h3.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/TCP_h3.pcap &")
         h4.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/TCP_h4.pcap &")
         # Create flows via iperf
59
         print("create flows via iperf")
         # TCP flows from h1 to h3
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/TCP_s_h3_1.txt &")
63
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/TCP_c_h1_1.txt δ")
64
65
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/TCP_s_h3_2.txt &")
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/TCP_c_h1_2.txt &")
66
         # TCP flow from h2 to h4
69
         h4.cmd("iperf -s -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/TCP_s_h4.txt &")
         h2.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h4.IP()) + " -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/TCP_c_h2.txt &")
70
```

In topo UDP.py:

- 1. UDP flow from h1 to h3:
 - h3.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/UDP_s_h3_1.txt &"):

 This command starts iperf in server mode (-s) with UDP (-u) on

 host h3, listening on port 7778. It sets the reporting interval to 1

 second (-i 1), runs for 5 seconds (-t 5), and redirects the output to

 a file named "UDP_s_h3_1.txt" in the "../out/" directory. The & at

 the end runs the command in the background.
 - h1.cmd("iperf -c" + str(h3.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778
 >../out/UDP_c_h1_1.txt &"): This command starts iperf in client mode (-c) on host h1, connecting to the IP address of h3
 (str(h3.IP())) on port 7778 with UDP. The other options are similar to the server side, and the output is redirected to

 "UDP c h1 1.txt" in the "../out/" directory.
- 2. Another UDP flow from h1 to h3 (different port):
 - Similar to the first flow, but using a different port (7779) and output file ("UDP s h3 2.txt" and "UDP c h1 2.txt").
- 3. UDP flow from h2 to h4:
 - h4.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/UDP_s_h4.txt &"): This command starts iperf in server mode on host h4, listening on port 7780 for UDP traffic, with similar options as before. The output is

redirected to "UDP s h4.txt".

h2.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h4.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780
 >../out/UDP_c_h2.txt &"): This command starts iperf in client mode on host h2, connecting to the IP address of h4 on port 7780 with UDP. The output is redirected to "UDP_c_h2.txt".

```
##### iperf and UDP flows #####
         h1 = net.get("h1")
         h2 = net.get("h2")
49
         h3 = net.get("h3")
         h4 = net.get("h4")
         # Use tcpdump to record packet in background
         print("start to record trace in h3 and h4")
         h3.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/UDP_h3.pcap &")
         h4.cmd("tcpdump -w ../out/UDP_h4.pcap &")
         # Create flows via iperf
59
         print("create flows via iperf")
         # UDP flows from h1 to h3
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/UDP_s_h3_1.txt &")
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7778 > ../out/UDP_c_h1_1.txt δ")
64
         h3.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/UDP_s_h3_2.txt &")
         h1.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h3.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7779 > ../out/UDP_c_h1_2.txt δ")
66
         # UDP flow from h2 to h4
69
         h4.cmd("iperf -s -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/UDP_s_h4.txt &")
70
         h2.cmd("iperf -c " + str(h4.IP()) + " -u -i 1 -t 5 -p 7780 > ../out/UDP_c_h2.txt δ")
```

· What is your command to filter each flow in Wireshark?

ANS:

I used following command to filter each flow in wireshark.

```
"tcp.port == 7778" to filter the TCP flow1 in TCP h3.
```

"tcp.port == 7779" to filter the TCP flow2 in TCP_h3.

"tcp.port == 7780" to filter the TCP flow3 in TCP h4.

"udp.port == 7778" to filter the UDP flow1 in UDP h3.

"udp.port == 7779" to filter the UDP flow2 in UDP_h3.

"udp.port == 7780" to filter the UDP flow3 in UDP_h4.

Show the results of computeRate.py and statistics of Wireshark

ANS:

Result of computeRate.py

```
Flow1(h1->h3):0.9493184 Mbps
Flow2(h1->h3):0.9541632 Mbps
Flow3(h2->h4):1.8987424 Mbps
---UDP---
Flow4(h1->h3):1.0620288 Mbps
Flow5(h1->h3):1.0620288 Mbps
Flow6(h2->h4):1.0620288 Mbps
```

· Does the throughput match the bottleneck throughput of the

path?

ANS: yes.

Result of computeRate.py

```
---TCP---
Flow1(h1->h3):0.9493184 Mbps
Flow2(h1->h3):0.9541632 Mbps
Flow3(h2->h4):1.8987424 Mbps
---UDP---
Flow4(h1->h3):1.0620288 Mbps
Flow5(h1->h3):1.0620288 Mbps
Flow6(h2->h4):1.0620288 Mbps
```

TCP flow1:

Measurement	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Displayed</u>	<u>Marked</u>
Packets	873	402 (46.0%)	
Time span, s	4.891	4.873	
Average pps	178.5	82.5	
Average packet size, B	1400	1507	
Bytes	1222596	605732 (49.5%)	
Average bytes/s	249 k	124 k	
Average bits/s	1999 k	994 k	

TCP flow2:

<u>Measurement</u>	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Displayed</u>	<u>Marked</u>
Packets	873	407 (46.6%)	_
Time span, s	4.891	4.864	_
Average pps	178.5	83.7	_
Average packet size, B	1400	1496	
Bytes	1222596	608958 (49.8%)	0
Average bytes/s	249 k	125 k	_
Average bits/s	1999 k	1001 k	_

TCP flow3:

Statistics			
Measurement	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Displayed</u>	<u>Marked</u>
Packets	868	805 (92.7%)	
Time span, s	4.888	4.888	
Average pps	177.6	164.7	
Average packet size, B	1405	1505	
Bytes	1219394	1211530 (99.4%)	0
Average bytes/s	249 k	247 k	
Average bits/s	1995 k	1982 k	

UDP flow1:

Statistics			
Measurement	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Displayed</u>	<u>Marked</u>
Packets	1835	455 (24.8%)	
Time span, s	21.148	5.383	
Average pps	86.8	84.5	
Average packet size, B	1426	1500	
Bytes	2617535	682428 (26.1%)	
Average bytes/s	123 k	126 k	
Average bits/s	990 k	1014 k	

UDP flow2:

Statistics			
<u>Measurement</u>	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Displayed</u>	<u>Marked</u>
Packets	1835	455 (24.8%)	
Time span, s	21.148	5.373	
Average pps	86.8	84.7	
Average packet size, B	1426	1500	
Bytes	2617535	682428 (26.1%)	0
Average bytes/s	123 k	127 k	
Average bits/s	990 k	1016 k	

UDP flow3:

Statistics			
Measurement	<u>Captured</u>	<u>Displayed</u>	<u>Marked</u>
Packets	529	440 (83.2%)	_
Time span, s	26.929	4.939	_
Average pps	19.6	89.1	_
Average packet size, B	1279	1512	
Bytes	676827	665280 (98.3%)	0
Average bytes/s	25 k	134 k	
Average bits/s	201 k	1077 k	

Do you observe the same throughput from TCP and UDP?

ANS:

I observe the same throughput from UDP.UDP has Flow1, Flow2, and Flow3 have the same throughput.

```
---TCP---
Flow1(h1->h3):0.9493184 Mbps
Flow2(h1->h3):0.9541632 Mbps
Flow3(h2->h4):1.8987424 Mbps

---UDP---
Flow4(h1->h3):1.0620288 Mbps
Flow5(h1->h3):1.0620288 Mbps
Flow6(h2->h4):1.0620288 Mbps
```

What have you learned from this lab?

ANS:

The most impressive part I learned in this lab is "Throughput Computation" and "Packet Analysis". In throughput computation part, I spent a lot of time to let my idea to implement in python code; In packet analysis part, I understand how packets transmission work and comprehend how to filter the packets you want to analyze.

· What difficulty have you met in this lab?

ANS:

I got into touble to figure out the computeRate.py.Because I still not accustomed to python. Further more, I have to understand the logic behind the transmission in this lab and to refer to the parser.py to create the computeRate.py to compute the throughput.