

Basics of Wireshark

Intro

This tutorial will give a basic idea on WireShark. It will introduce how to setup filters and how to capture unencrypted traffic and why is it way better to use encrypted websites.

Learning objectives

- Capture network traffic in our machine
- Analyze the most common used unsecured traffic
- Setting up some basic filters on Wireshark

Prerequisites

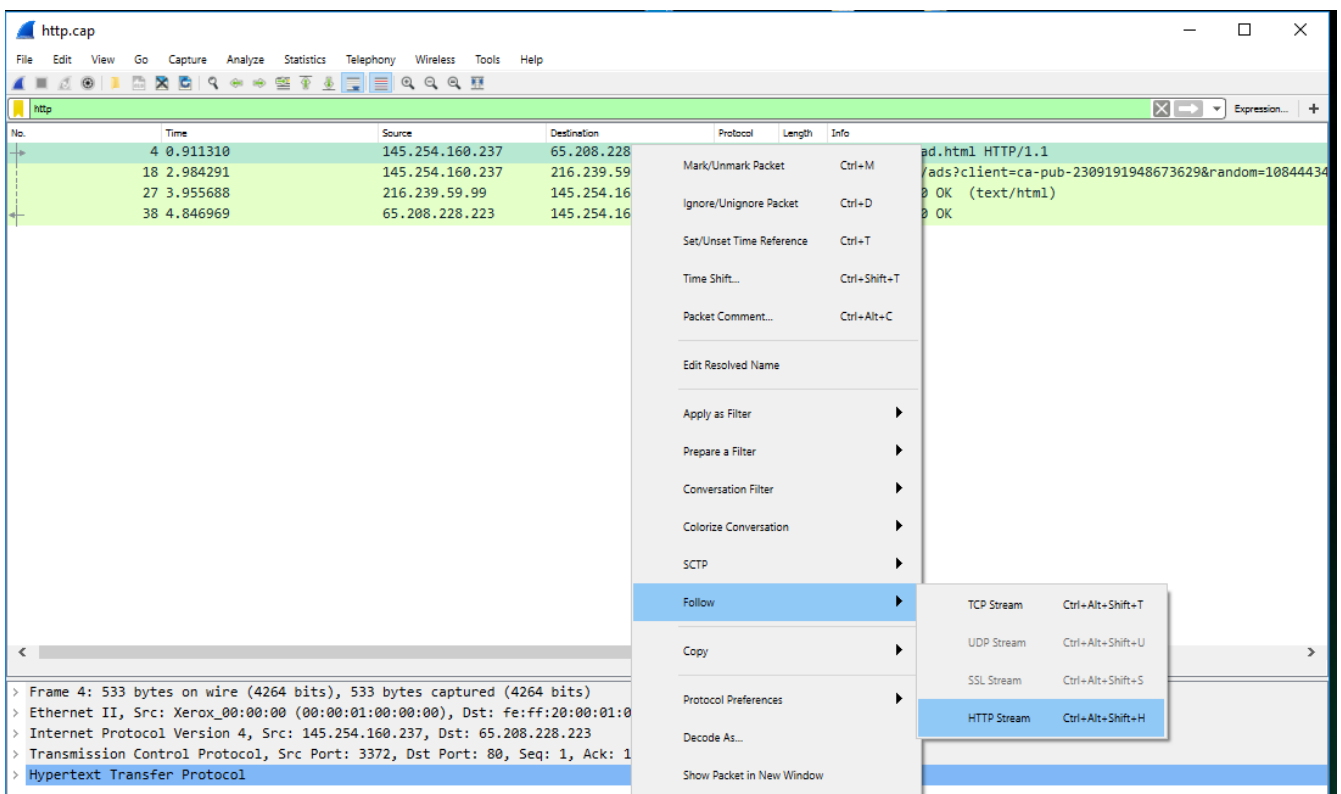
- Windows computer
- Internet connection
- Wireshark
- Connections to nmu network via wifi or lte (for lesson 3)
- Download these files:
 1. <https://wiki.wireshark.org/SampleCaptures?action=AttachFile&do=get&target=http.cap>
 2. https://wiki.wireshark.org/SampleCaptures?action=AttachFile&do=get&target=http_with_jpegs.cap.gz

Instructions

1. Lesson one. Lets visit a website where we can reconstruct the website by following the tcp/http stream.
 - Open the http.cap file
 - Set up the filter to only show http traffic (this is optional, it just help us to learn the filter)

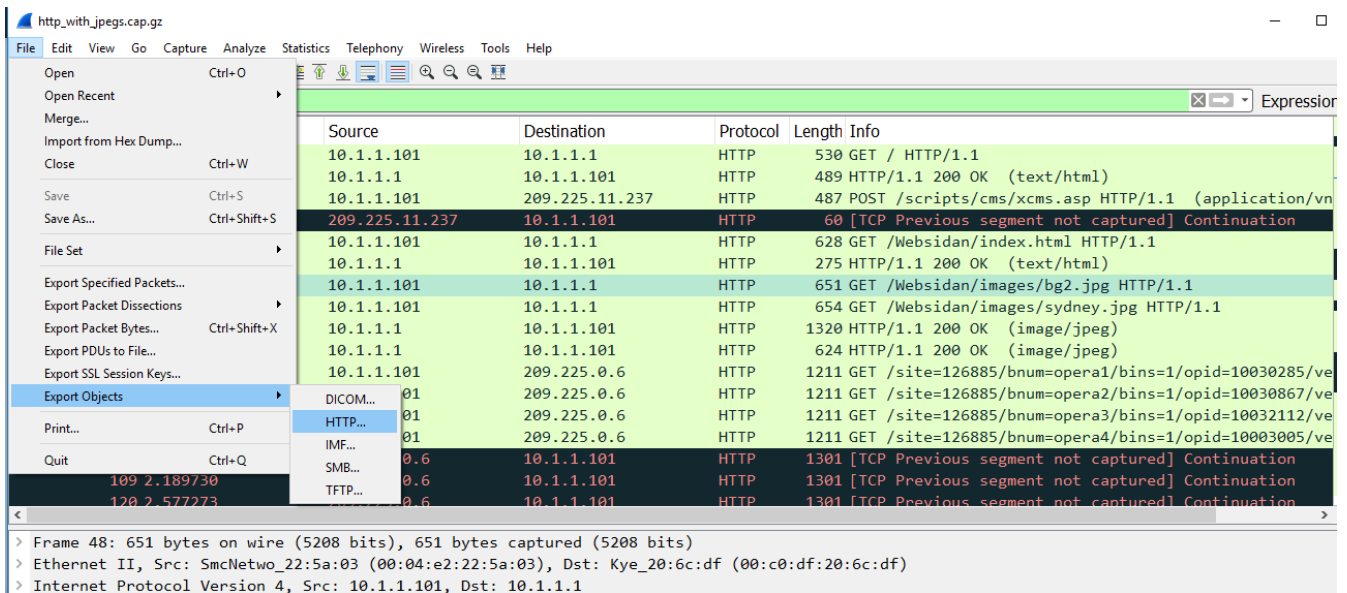
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
4	0.911310	145.254.160.237	65.208.228.223	HTTP	533	GET /download.html HTTP/1.1
18	2.984291	145.254.160.237	216.239.59.99	HTTP	775	GET /pagead/ads?client=ca-pub-2309191948673629&ra
27	3.955688	216.239.59.99	145.254.160.237	HTTP	214	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
38	4.846969	65.208.228.223	145.254.160.237	HTTP/X...	478	HTTP/1.1 200 OK

- Now click on the followings

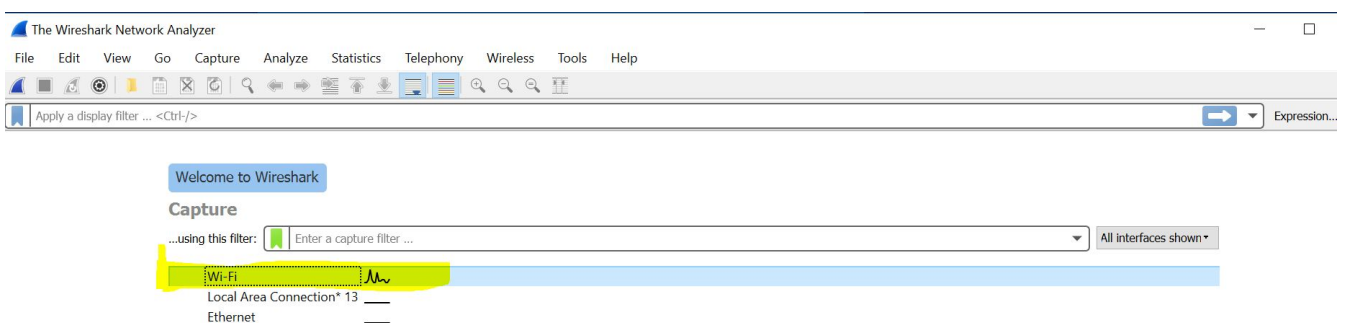


Now we can see the whole html code, with this information we can reconstruct the whole website.

1. Lesson two. It is very simple to save pictures from an unencrypted website as well.
 - Let sopen the http_with_jpegs.cap.gz file
 - Open Export Objects, HTTP



- Find an image file and simply save it.
 - Lesson three. Now let's connect to the NMU FTP server
- Go to File Explorer and find [lbudai] on myweb.nmu.edu [this should be your nmuid]
- If it asks your username and password you are all set and you can skip the next bulletpoint
- Create a random txt file, and upload it in here. Now delete the file from your computer, and try to open the file from your nmu server.
- Start capturing the traffic on the interface where we see traffic.



- Now we will have way more traffic, so lets make sure to type ftp to the filter bar.
- The following packets should be in front of us.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
109	12.941457	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	124	Response: 220 mail1.nmu.edu FTP server (Version 6.00LS+T
111	12.941908	192.168.15.111	198.110.192.44	FTP	79	Request: USER lbudai
112	13.413715	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	101	Response: 331 Password required for lbudai.
114	13.414147	192.168.15.111	198.110.192.44	FTP	83	Request: PASS FlatOut22!
116	13.814454	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	121	Response: 230 User lbudai logged in, access restrictions
118	13.816818	192.168.15.111	198.110.192.44	FTP	74	Request: TYPE I
122	14.199263	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	88	Response: 200 Type set to I.
124	14.199809	192.168.15.111	198.110.192.44	FTP	72	Request: PASV
125	14.856707	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	118	Response: 227 Entering Passive Mode (198,110,192,44,218,
130	15.212153	192.168.15.111	198.110.192.44	FTP	103	Request: SIZE /Lajos Budai semester case.pkt
131	15.463886	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	80	Response: 213 40049
133	15.464562	192.168.15.111	198.110.192.44	FTP	103	Request: RETR /Lajos Budai semester case.pkt
134	15.712130	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	159	Response: 150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for '/'
163	15.962065	198.110.192.44	192.168.15.111	FTP	92	Response: 226 Transfer complete.

> Frame 109: 124 bytes on wire (992 bits), 124 bytes captured (992 bits) on interface 0 > Ethernet II, Src: AtherosC_1c:d8:8d (00:03:7f:1c:d8:8d), Dst: IntelCor_c5:6c:2d (e4:b3:18:c5:6c:2d) > Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 198.110.192.44, Dst: 192.168.15.111 > Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 21, Dst Port: 52518, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 58 > File Transfer Protocol (FTP)						
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Now behind the white-black rectangle my password for nmhu is hiding. Anyone who could capture this data, can see my very sensitive password. Using FTP without encryption is a bad practice.

Challenge

- Lets capture some real traffic. Go and visit some comonly used websites. Can you find any useful information?
- Try to find a website with unencrypted traffic, and try to figure out the context by using wireshark, and try to save down some images.

Reflection

- What do you think about unencrypted wireless traffic? Can someone capture these kind of traffics from the "air"?

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