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Experiment No: 10

Title: To understand TCP/IP cell using Wireshark software

Aim and Objective of the Experiment:

- 1. To see all traffic flow over the network.
- 2. To study of data capturing using sniffing Software Wireshark and analyzing the Transport and Application layer protocol.

COs to be achieved:

CO3: Understand concept of computer communication & Network models.

CO4: To analyses network application and current trends of computer communication and internetworking technology.

Theory:

Wireshark is network protocol analyser for Unix and Windows. It is a free and open-source packet analyzer. It is used for network troubleshooting, analysis, software and communication protocol development. Wireshark is cross-platform. Using the Qt widget toolkit in current releases to implement its user interface, and using pcap to capture packets, it runs on Linux, macOS, Solaris. Some other Unix-like operating systems, and Microsoft Windows,

Wireshark follow link:

- https://www.wireshark.org/download.html
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkCSr30UojM
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvuiI1Leg6w

Stepwise-Procedure:

Capturing Packets:

After downloading and installing Wireshark, launch it and click the name of an interface under Interface List to start capturing packets n that interface. For example, to capture traffic on the wireless network, click wireless interface. Configure advanced features by clicking Capture Options.

After clicking interface name. The packets start to appear in real time. Wireshark captures each

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packet sent to or from the system

Click the stop capture button near the top left corner of the window to stop capturing traffic.

Color Coding:

Wireshark uses color to help you identify the types of traffic at a glance. By default, green is TCP traffic, dark blue is DNS traffic, light blue is UDP traffic, and black identifies TCP packets with problems – for example, they could have been delivered out of order.

Functionality:

Wireshark is software that "understands" the structure of different networking protocols. Thus, it is able to display the encapsulation and the fields along with their meanings of different packets specified by different networking protocols. Wireshark uses peap to capture packets, so it can only capture the packets on the types of networks that peap supports.

Data can be captured "from the wire" from a live network connection or read from a file that recorded already-captured packets. Live data can be read from a number of types of network, including Ethernet, IEEE802.11, PPP, and loopback. Captured network data can be browsed via a GUI, or via the terminal (command line) version of the utility, tshark. Captured files can be programmatically edited or converted via command-line switches to the "editcap" program. Data display can be refined using a display filter. Plug-ins can be created for dissecting new protocols.

To install wireshark:

Sudo install wireshark

To run wireshark:

Wireshark

Select the interface:

Default interface is eth0 for this network.

Grab the packets and see different options available.

Observation Table:

Packet Header Format

Transport Layer Protocol

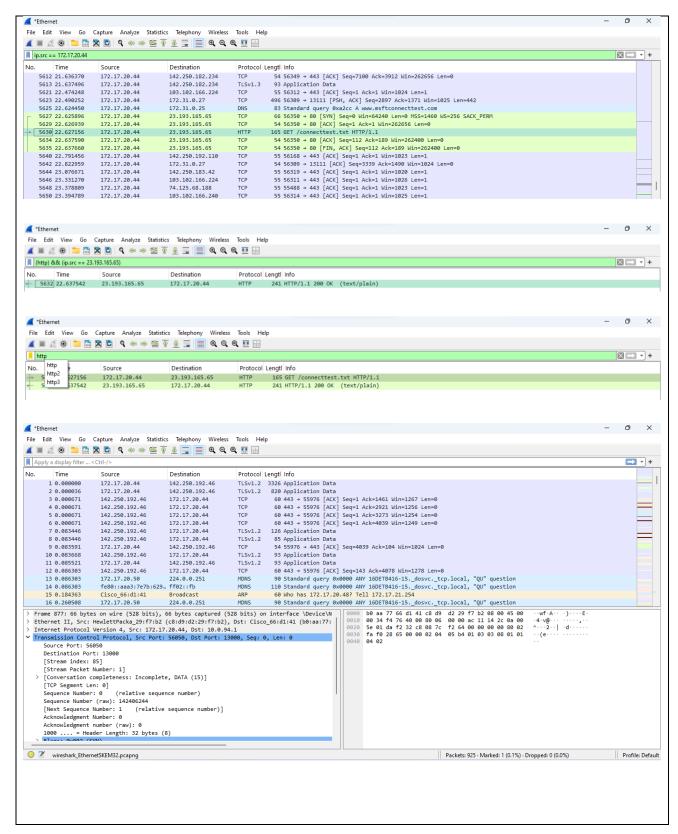
TCP header Format and UDP Header Format

Screenshots:

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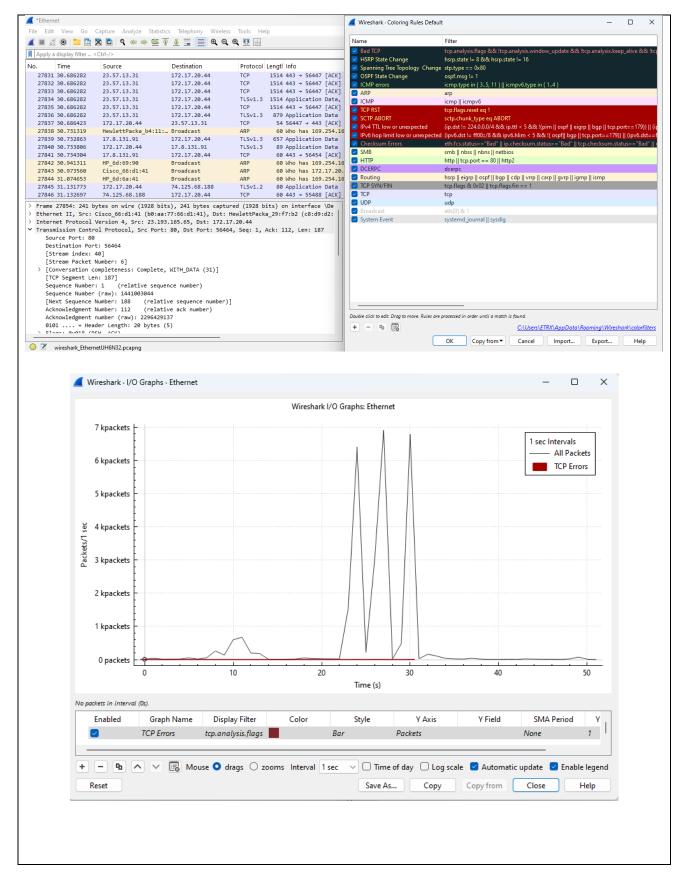
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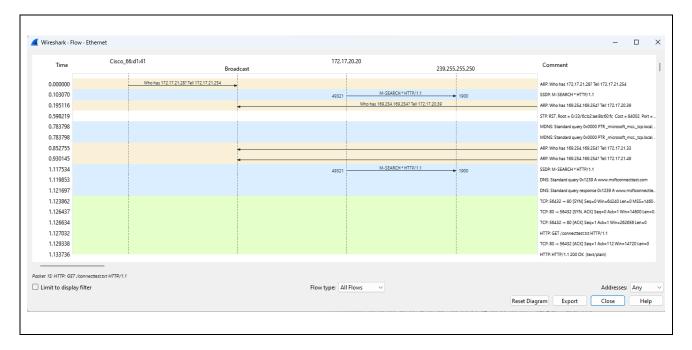
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Post Lab Subjective/Objective type Questions:

1. What are the Different types of analysis options provided by Wireshark?

Wireshark provides several analysis options to inspect and troubleshoot network traffic. These include packet capture and filtering, where you can capture live network packets and apply display filters to focus on specific data. It offers protocol analysis, showing detailed breakdowns of each protocol layer. Color coding helps differentiate packet types visually. There are statistics tools like protocol hierarchy, I/O graphs, and flow diagrams to analyze traffic patterns. Wireshark also provides expert information, which highlights warnings and potential problems in the captured data, such as retransmissions or malformed packets.

2. What devices can Wireshark use to capture packets?

Wireshark can capture packets from various network interfaces on a computer. These include Ethernet adapters, Wi-Fi interfaces, Bluetooth devices, and virtual network interfaces used by VPNs or virtual machines. On some systems, it can also capture from USB interfaces or loopback interfaces. To capture packets directly from network hardware like switches or routers, devices must support port mirroring or SPAN (Switch Port Analyzer), allowing Wireshark to see all traffic on a network segment.

Conclusion:

The experiment successfully demonstrated the structure and functioning of TCP/IP communication using Wireshark. We analyzed and understood how data packets are transmitted and received in a network.

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