

Task:

In this lab activity, you'll capture and analyze live network traffic using tcpdump. You'll use Linux commands in the Bash shell to complete these steps.

Scenario:

You're a network analyst who needs to use tcpdump to capture and analyze live network traffic from a Linux virtual machine.

The lab starts with your user account, called `analyst`, already logged in to a Linux terminal.

Your Linux user's home directory contains a sample packet capture file that you will use at the end of the lab to answer a few questions about the network traffic that it contains.

Here's how you'll do this: First, you'll identify network interfaces to capture network packet data. Second, you'll use tcpdump to filter live network traffic. Third, you'll capture network traffic using tcpdump. Finally, you'll filter the captured packet data.

After you click the **Start Lab** button, you will see a shell, where you will be performing further steps in the lab.

```
analyst@63fced8e3bc:~$
```



Task 1. Identify network interfaces

1. Use `sudo ifconfig` to identify the interfaces that are available:

```
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST>  mtu 1460
    inet 172.17.0.2  netmask 255.255.0.0  broadcast 172.17.255.255
    ether 02:42:ac:11:00:02  txqueuelen 0  (Ethernet)
    RX packets 784  bytes 9379957 (8.9 MiB)
    RX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  frame 0
    TX packets 683  bytes 56880 (55.5 KiB)
    TX errors 0  dropped 0 overruns 0  carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING>  mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1  netmask 255.0.0.0
    loop  txqueuelen 1000  (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 400  bytes 42122 (0.041 MiB)
    RX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  frame 0
    TX packets 400  bytes 42122 (0.041 MiB)
    TX errors 0  dropped 0 overruns 0  carrier 0 collisions 0
```

2. Use `tcpdump` to identify the interface options available for packet capture:

```
analyst@8544d954e232:~$ sudo tcpdump -D
1.eth0 [Up, Running]
2.any (Pseudo-device that captures on all interfaces) [Up, Running]
3.lo [Up, Running, Loopback]
4.nflog (Linux netfilter log (NFLOG) interface)
5.nfqueue (Linux netfilter queue (NFQUEUE) interface)
analyst@8544d954e232:~$
```

Task 2. Inspect the network traffic of a network interface with tcpdump

- Filter live network packet data from the eth0 interface with tcpdump:

```
analyst@8544d954e232:~$ sudo tcpdump -i eth0 -v -c5
tcpdump: listening on eth0, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), capture size 262144 bytes
03:46:45.085782 IP (tos 0x0, ttl 64, id 21210, offset 0, flags [DF], protocol
  TCP (6), length 113)
    8544d954e232.5000 > nginx-us-west1-b.c.qwiklabs-terminal-vms-prod-00.3
internal.54888: Flags [P.], cksum 0x588c (incorrect -> 0xfeed1), seq 2666949
473:2666949534, ack 4044447386, win 492, options [nop,nop,TS val 277163862
  ecr 4222342233], length 61
03:46:45.086236 IP (tos 0x0, ttl 63, id 10595, offset 0, flags [DF], protocol
  TCP (6), length 52)
```

Task 3. Capture network traffic with tcpdump

1. Capture packet data into a file called capture.pcap:

```
analyst@8544d954e232:~$ sudo tcpdump -i eth0 -nn -c9 port 80 -w capture.pcap
ap &
[1] 12796
analyst@8544d954e232:~$ tcpdump: listening on eth0, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), capture size 262144 bytes
```

2. Use curl to generate some HTTP (port 80) traffic:

```
curl opensource.google.com
<HTML><HEAD><meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8">
<TITLE>301 Moved</TITLE></HEAD><BODY>
<H1>301 Moved</H1>
The document has moved
<A HREF="https://opensource.google/">here</A>.
</BODY></HTML>
analyst@8544d954e232:~$ 9 packets captured
10 packets received by filter
0 packets dropped by kernel
```

3. Verify that packet data has been captured:

```
ls -l capture.pcap
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1401 Nov 30 03:52 capture.pcap
[1]+  Done                  sudo tcpdump -i eth0 -nn -c9 port 80 -w capture.pcap
```

Task 4. Filter the captured packet data

1. Use the tcpdump command to filter the packet header data from the capture.pcap capture file:

```
analyst@8544d954e232:~$ sudo tcpdump -nn -r capture.pcap -v
reading from file capture.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
03:52:16.843874 IP (tos 0x0, ttl 64, id 28426, offset 0, flags [DF], proto
  TCP (6), length 60)
    172.17.0.2.53180 > 74.125.199.102.80: Flags [S], cksum 0xbe25 (incorrect
  -> 0x0fc7), seq 2751877779, win 32660, options [mss 1420,sackOK,TS val
  2720502280 ecr 0,nop,wscale 6], length 0
03:52:16.845220 IP (tos 0x0, ttl 126, id 0, offset 0, flags [DF], proto
  TCP (6), length 60)
    74.125.199.102.80 > 172.17.0.2.53180: Flags [S.], cksum 0x59a0 (correct),
  seq 326131319, ack 2751877780, win 65535, options [mss 1420,sackOK,TS
  val 312062247 ecr 2720502280,nop,wscale 8], length 0
03:52:16.845260 IP (tos 0x0, ttl 64, id 28427, offset 0, flags [DF], proto
  TCP (6), length 52)
    172.17.0.2.53180 > 74.125.199.102.80: Flags [.], cksum 0xbeld (incorrect
  -> 0x8644), ack 1, win 511, options [nop,nop,TS val 2720502282 ecr 3120
  62247], length 0
03:52:16.845318 IP (tos 0x0, ttl 64, id 28428, offset 0, flags [DF], proto
  TCP (6), length 137)
    172.17.0.2.53180 > 74.125.199.102.80: Flags [P.], cksum 0xbe72 (incorrect
  -> 0xf4f7), seq 1:86, ack 1, win 511, options [nop,nop,TS val 27205022
  82 ecr 312062247], length 85: HTTP, length: 85
      GET / HTTP/1.1
      Host: opensource.google.com
      User-Agent: curl/7.64.0
      Accept: */*
```

2. Use the tcpdump command to filter the extended packet data from the capture.pcap capture file:

```

analyst@8544d954e232:~$ sudo tcpdump -nn -r capture.pcap -X
reading from file capture.pcap, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
03:52:16.843874 IP 172.17.0.2.53180 > 74.125.199.102.80: Flags [S], seq 27
51877779, win 32660, options [mss 1420,sackOK,TS val 2720502280 ecr 0,nop,
wscale 6], length 0
    0x0000:  4500 003c 6f0a 4000 4006 0dbb ac11 0002  E..<o.@.@.....
    0x0010:  4a7d c766 cfbc 0050 a406 5293 0000 0000  J}.f...P..R....
    0x0020:  a002 7f94 be25 0000 0204 058c 0402 080a  ....%.....
    0x0030:  a227 9208 0000 0000 0103 0306                .'.....
03:52:16.845220 IP 74.125.199.102.80 > 172.17.0.2.53180: Flags [S.], seq 3
26131319, ack 2751877780, win 65535, options [mss 1420,sackOK,TS val 31206
2247 ecr 2720502280,nop,wscale 8], length 0
    0x0000:  4500 003c 0000 4000 7e06 3ec5 4a7d c766  E..<...@.~.>.J}.f
    0x0010:  ac11 0002 0050 cfbc 1370 5e77 a406 5294  ....P...p^w..R.
    0x0020:  a012 ffff 59a0 0000 0204 058c 0402 080a  ....Y.....
    0x0030:  1299 b127 a227 9208 0103 0308                ...'.'.....
03:52:16.845260 IP 172.17.0.2.53180 > 74.125.199.102.80: Flags [.], ack 1,
win 511, options [nop,nop,TS val 2720502282 ecr 312062247], length 0
    0x0000:  4500 0034 6f0b 4000 4006 0dc2 ac11 0002  E..4o.@.@.....
    0x0010:  4a7d c766 cfbc 0050 a406 5294 1370 5e78  J}.f...P..R..p^x

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