Detecting Evil with Network Traffic Analysis

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Workshop Materials...

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Wireshark

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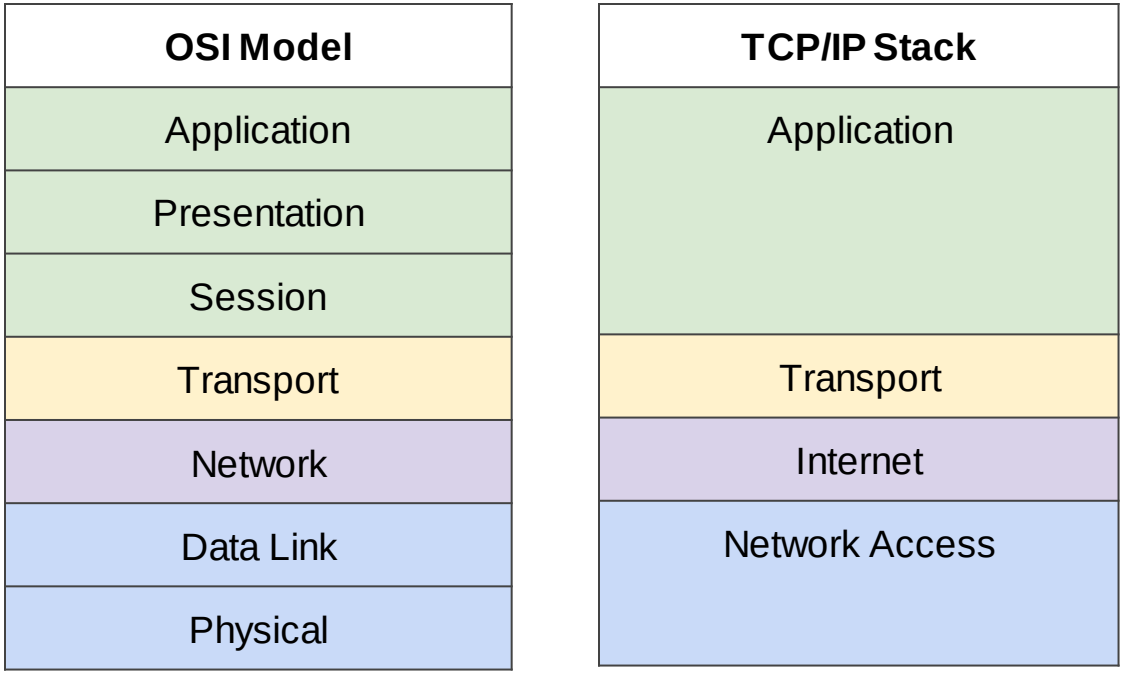
Why We Look at Packets

- Troubleshooting
- Detection of badness
- Post-mortem forensics

How We Look at Packets (for free)

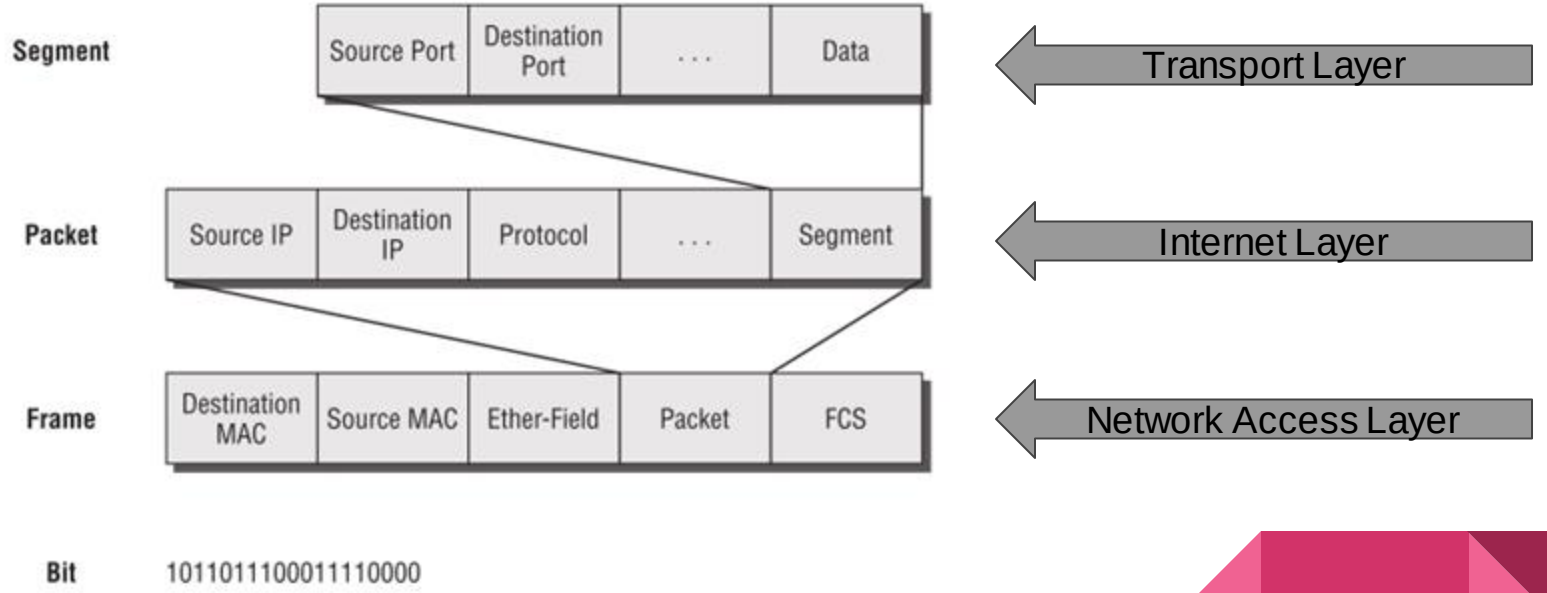
Networking Fundamentals

Network Models



See detailed model explanation in your resource material.

Encapsulation by Layers and PDU

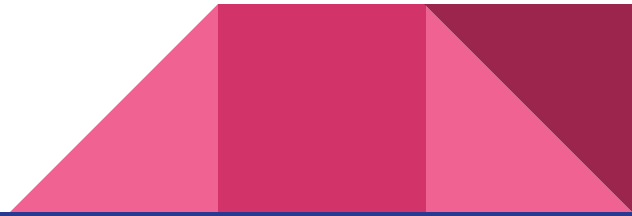


Protocols

Protocols define how network communications work. These are standards that are developed by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) and are conveyed to the public via Requests for Comment (RFC).

Common protocols:

- Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)
- Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)
- User Datagram Protocol (UDP)



Ports & Services

Services are what we call the various types of network communications. Port numbers identify those services.

Port number assignment is managed by the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA).

- 0-1023 are well-known ports
- 1024-49151 are registered ports
- 49152-65535 are public ports

See port number reference sheet in your resource material.

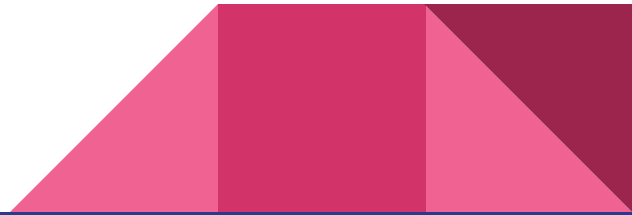
Network Addressing

Internet Protocol (IP) addresses, used for inter-network communications:

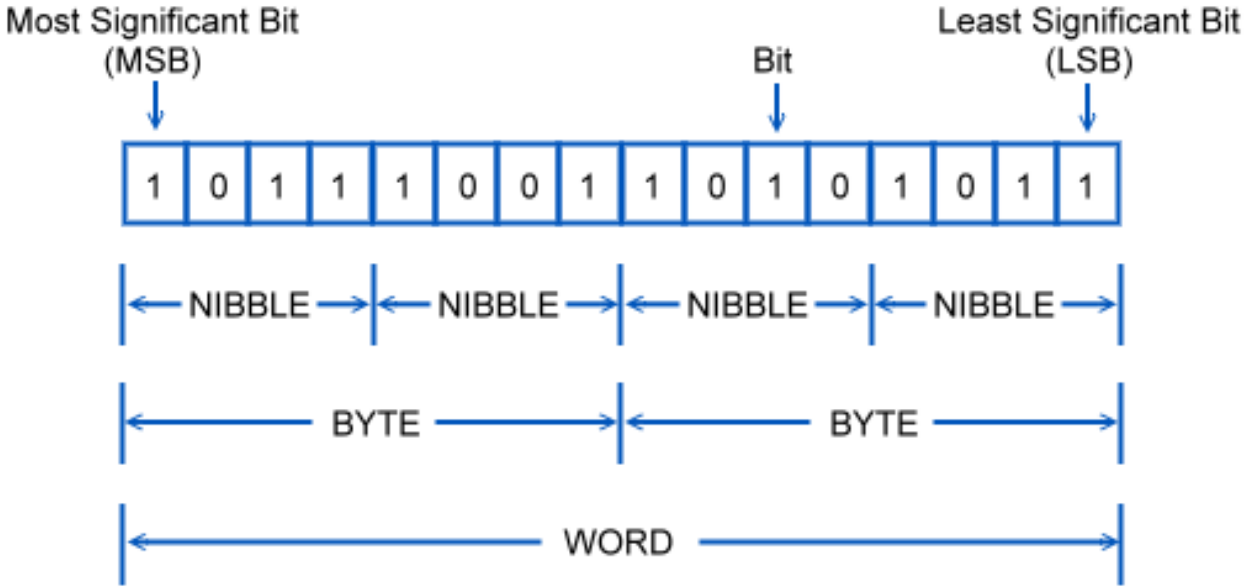
- IPv4 - 32-bit address space represented in dotted decimal, e.g. 176.54.22.19
- IPv6 - 128-bit address space represented in hexadecimal, e.g. 2001:cdba:0000:0000:0000:0000:3257:9652

Media Access Control (MAC) addresses, used for intra-network communications:

- Network card address - 48-bit space represented in hexadecimal



Bits & Bytes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(MSB)
Bit
Least Significant Bit
(LSB)
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NIBBLE
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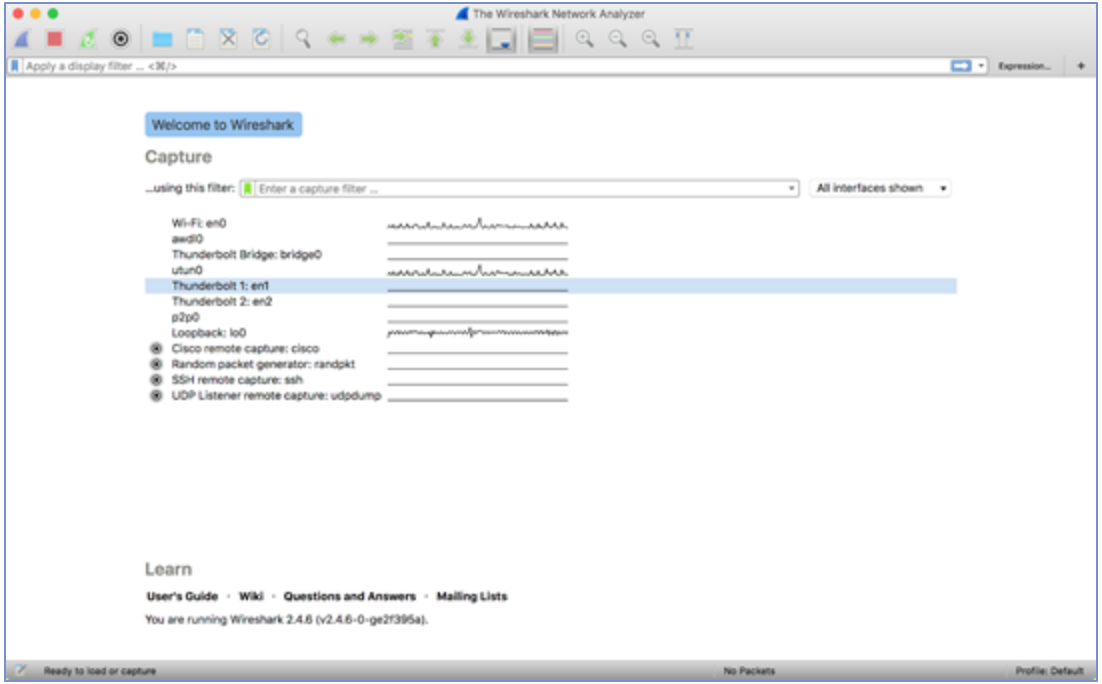
BYTE
BYTE
WORD

ASCII-Decimal-Binary-Hex

ASCII	Decimal (base10)	Binary (base2)	Hexadecimal (base 16)
a	97	0110 0001	61
b	98	0110 0010	62
c	99	0110 0011	63
d	100	0110 0100	64

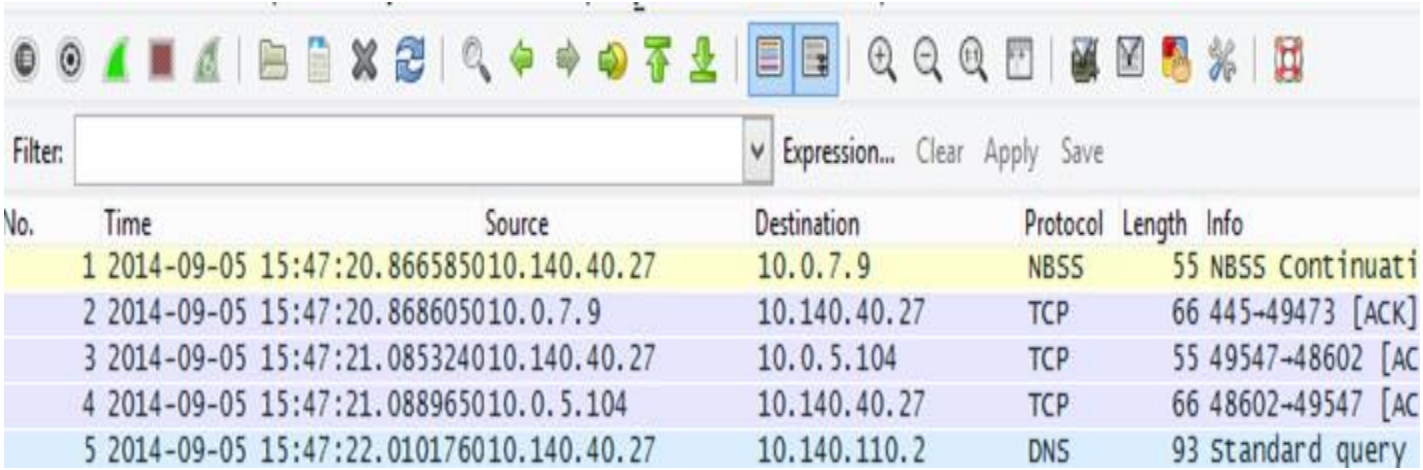
Getting Started with Wireshark

Activity: Getting to Know Wireshark

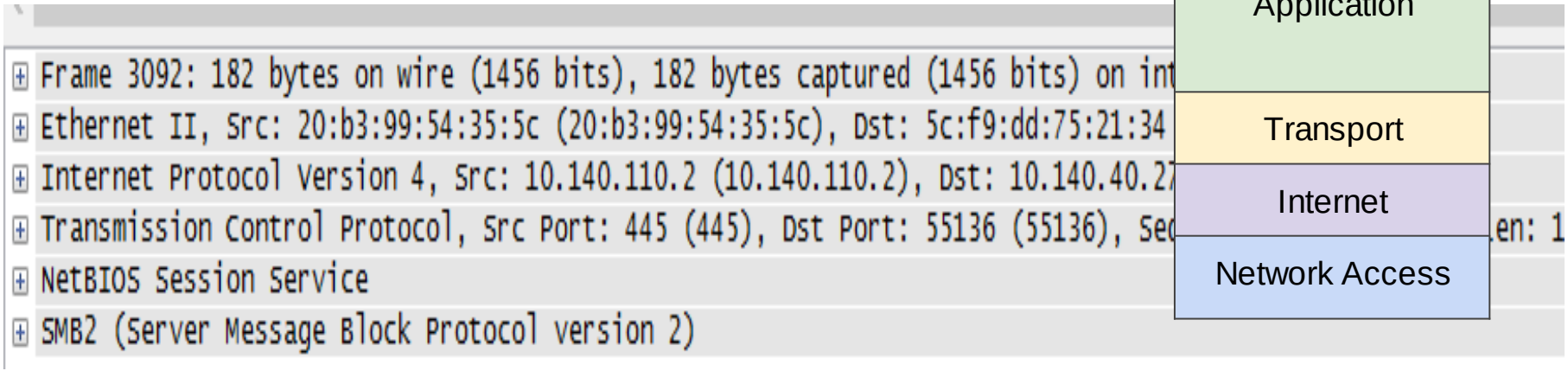


Launch Wireshark and open intro.pcap. Follow the prompts for activities in the next slides.

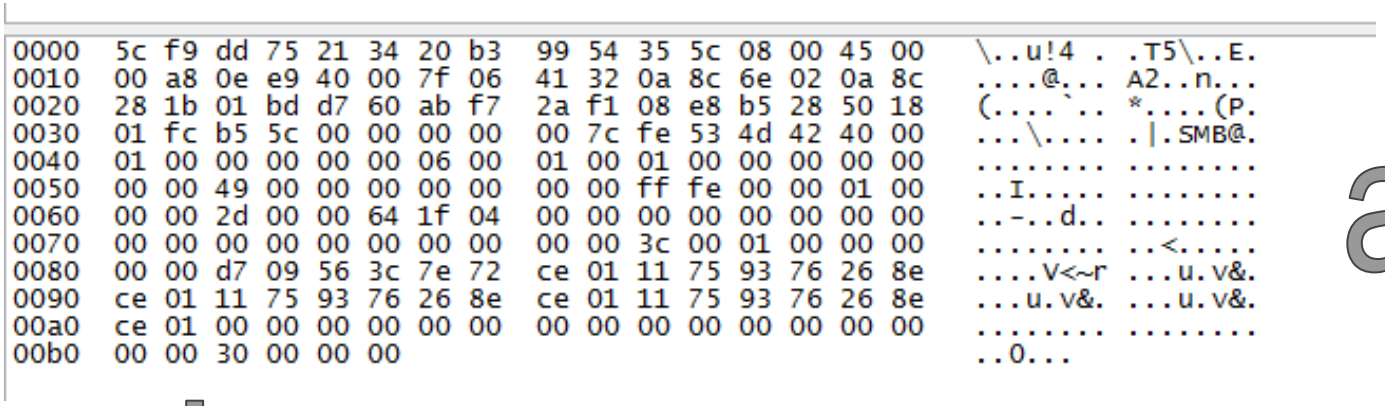
Packet List Pane



Packet Details Pane



Packet Bytes Pane



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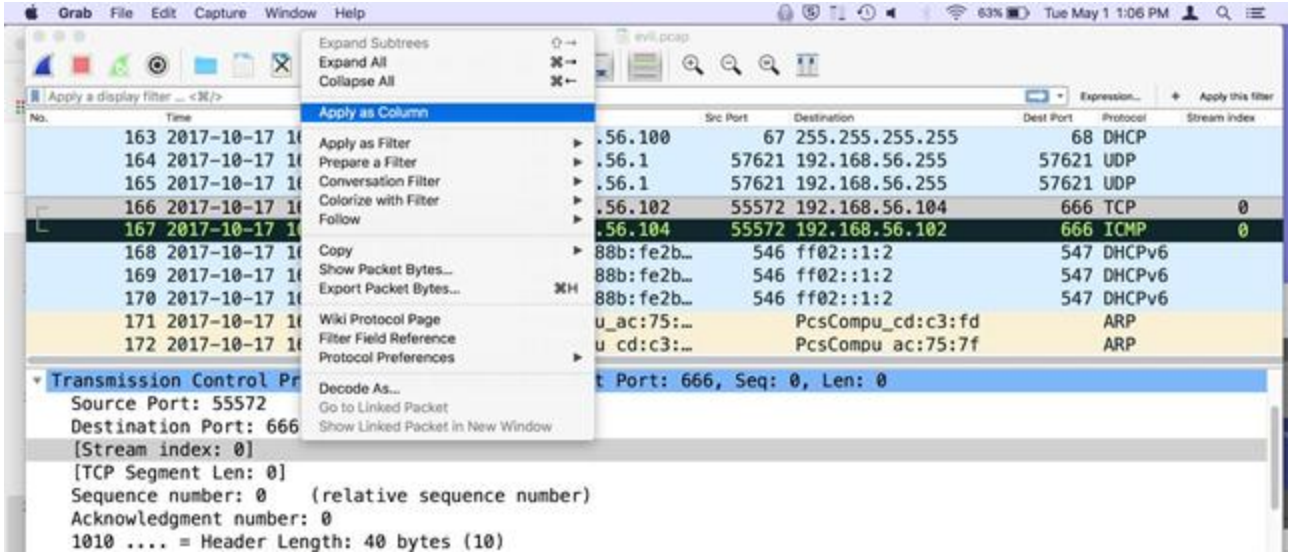
ascii

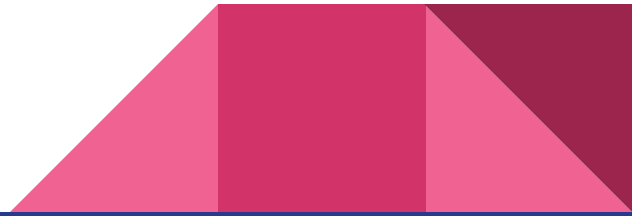
Customizing Columns



Right-click on desired field in selected frame and choose “Apply as Column”.

Capture Analysis: Statistics

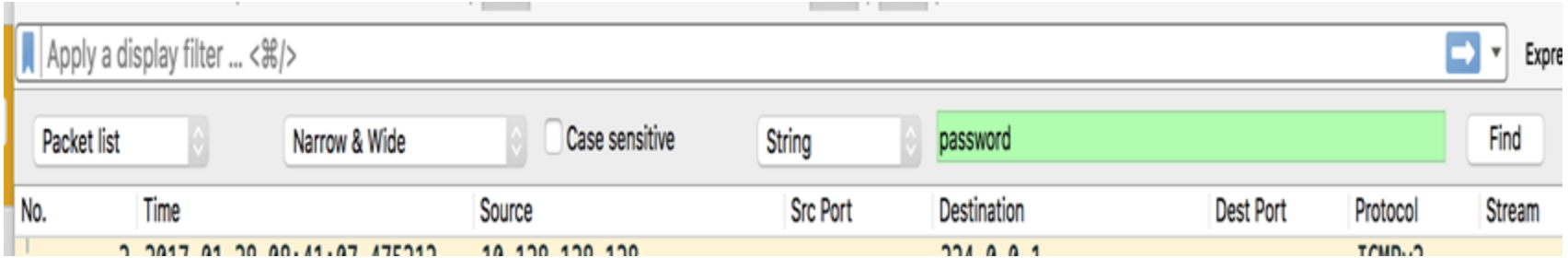
- Statistics > Summary – overall summary of the packet capture
- Statistics > Protocol Hierarchy – breakdown of the various protocols
- Statistics > Conversations – list of each individual “conversation” between endpoints
- Statistics > Endpoints – list of source and destination addresses



Capture Analysis: Following Streams

- Select a packet of interest and go to Analyze > Follow TCP Stream (or Follow UDP stream) – what can you see in the output?
- How would this output be useful in investigating an incident?
- What other types of information could be obtained?

Capture Analysis: Find



Capture Analysis: Filters

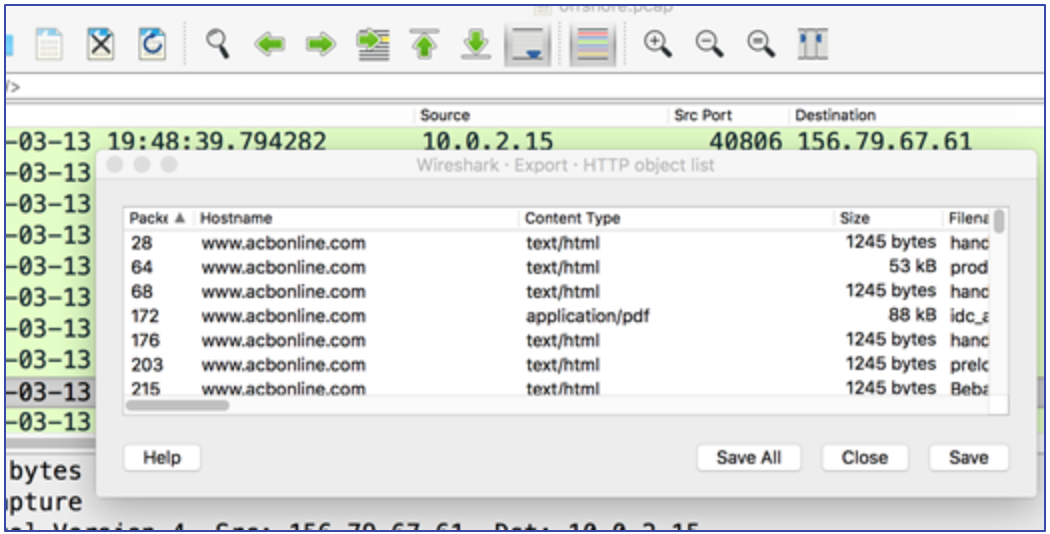
See filter reference sheet in your resource material.

Filtering is a powerful tool in Wireshark. There are multiple ways to create filters, including:

- Type in the filter window using the correct terminology and operators to find the desired data. For example, typing ip.proto == 17 and ip.addr == 192.168.1.13 in the filter window will show you all UDP traffic associated with address 192.168.1.13.
- Right-click on any packet detail and select “Apply as Filter.”

Capture Analysis: Export Objects

Exporting objects is file recovery without file carving.
File > Export Objects > HTTP (or other service as appropriate)



Application Layer

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REQUEST

RESPONSE

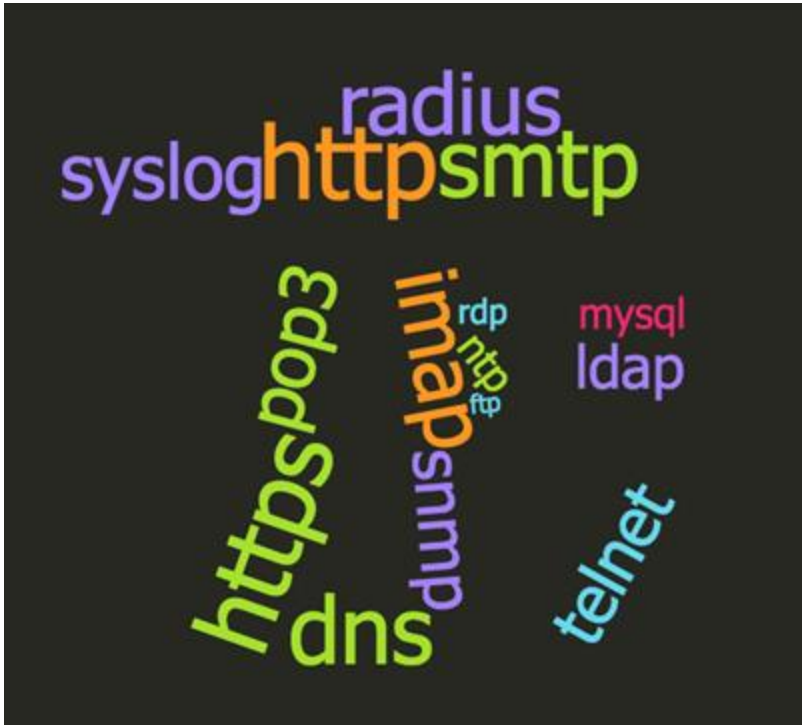
What is packet? - Definition from WhatIs.com - SearchNetworking
searchnetworking.techtarget.com › Network Administration › Network software
A **packet** is the unit of data that is routed between an origin and a destination on the Internet or any other **packet**-switched network.

Network packet - Wikipedia
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Network_packet
A network **packet** is a formatted unit of data carried by a **packet**-switched network. When data is formatted into **packets**, and **packet** switching is employed, the bandwidth of the communication medium can be better shared among users than with circuit switching.
Terminology · Packet framing · Example: IP packets · Example: Radio and TV ...

What is a network packet? | HowStuffWorks
computer.howstuffworks.com › Tech › Computer › Computer Hardware › Networking
It turns out that everything you do on the Internet involves **packets**. For example, every Web page that you receive comes as a series of **packets**, and every e-mail ...

What Is a Data Packet? - Lifewire
https://www.lifewire.com › How To › Internet & Network › Tips & Tricks
Sep 1, 2017 - A data **packet** is a basic block that carries our data over a digital network. Data is broken down into the **packet** before transmission and ...

Application Layer: Common Services



Application Layer: Secure vs Insecure Protocols

Secure	Insecure
HTTPS	HTTP
SSH	FTP
SFTP	Telnet

Activity: HTTP Reveals

Open offshore.pcap, and determine the following:

1. What geographic location was the subject of this capture?
2. Who was doing the research on the location?
3. What is their birthdate?
4. What is their business email address?
5. What is their personal email address?
6. What place did they claim to “love”?

Application Layer Attacks

Can be client-side or server-side
Leverage vulns in applications
Examples:

- Web shells
- Buffer overflows
- Injections
- MitM
- XSS/XSRF

Activity: I’ve Got the Poison...

Open injection.pcap and determine the following:

1. What type of injection attack was used?
2. Was it successful?
3. Who was the attacker able to login as?

Activity: Oh What a Tangled Web We Weave

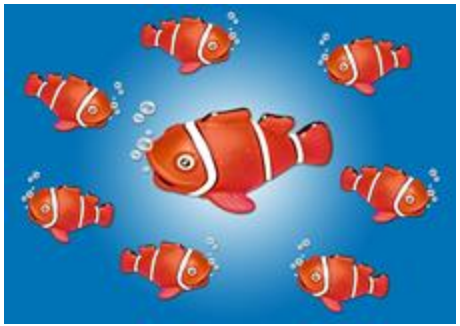
Open web.pcap and determine the following:

1. What is the IP address of the target?
2. What type of attack was being leveraged?
3. What was the first command the attacker tried, and was it successful?
4. Who was the logged-on user on the system?
5. What was the message in secret.txt?

Activity: Here Phishy, Phishy

Open findingnemo.pcap and answer the following:

1. There is phishing activity - see if you can find it.
2. How many redirects were there?
3. What was the ultimate outcome?



Activity: It’s Getting Hot in Here

Open burnout.pcap and answer the following:

1. What kind of malicious activity is happening here?
2. What site is delivering it?
3. How could you prevent this activity?

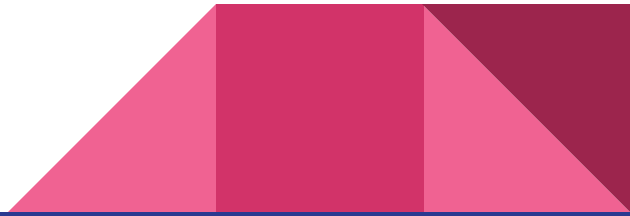
Transport Layer

User Datagram Protocol

User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

RFC 768 (1980)
Protocol number 17
“Connectionless”
Common implementations:

- DNS
- TFTP
- DHCP




I'D TELL YOU
A JOKE ABOUT UDP
BUT I DON'T KNOW
IF YOU'D GET IT
imgflip.com

Activity: Misdirection

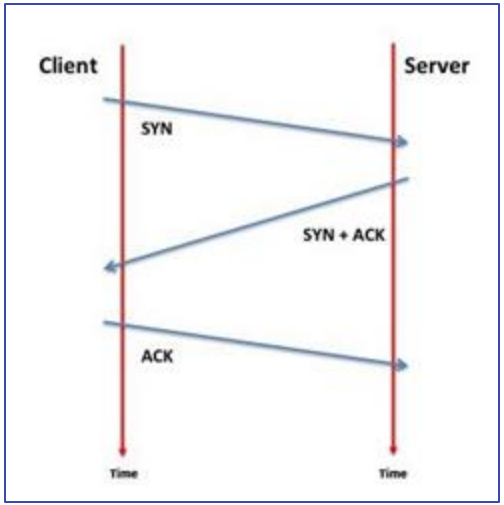
Open udp.pcap and answer the following:

1. Our victim tried to reach 3 different domains. What were they?
2. Where did they all ultimately land?
3. What type of attack was this?

Transport Control Protocol

Transport Control Protocol (TCP)

RFC 793 (1981)
Protocol number 6
“Connection-oriented”
Many implementations



URG | ACK | PSH | RST | SYN | FIN

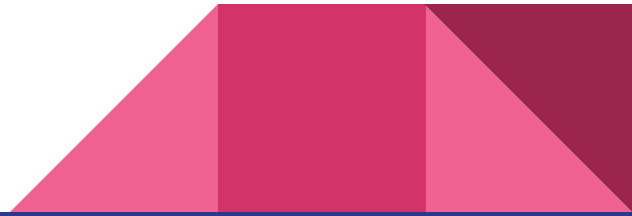
TCP Port Scanning

SYN > open port, responds with SYN-ACK

SYN > closed port, responds with RST

SYN > filtered port, no response

For more info on different types of nmap scans, see: https://nmap.org/book/man-port-scanning-techniques.html



Activity: Scanz

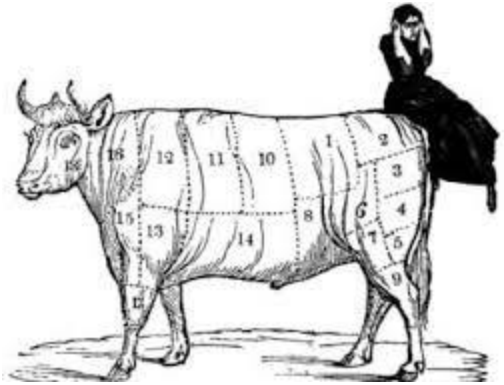
Open tcp.pcap and answer the following:

1. There was scanning activity. What ports were open on the scanned host?
2. There were encrypted communications. What was the version of the application used?

Activity: Where’s the Beef?

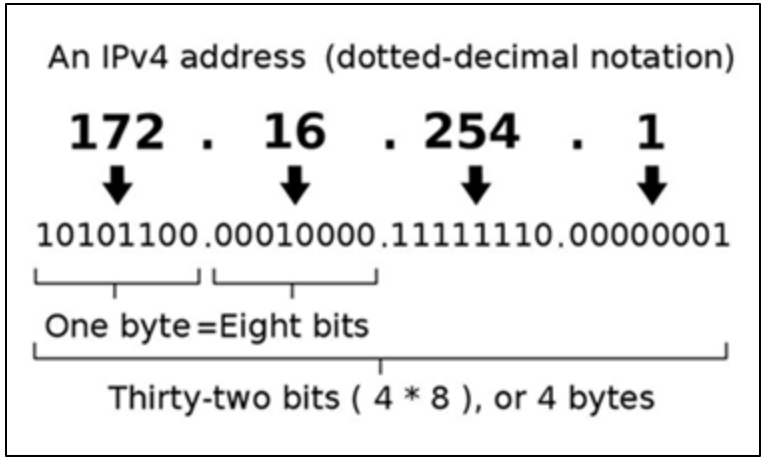
Open hook.pcap and answer the following:

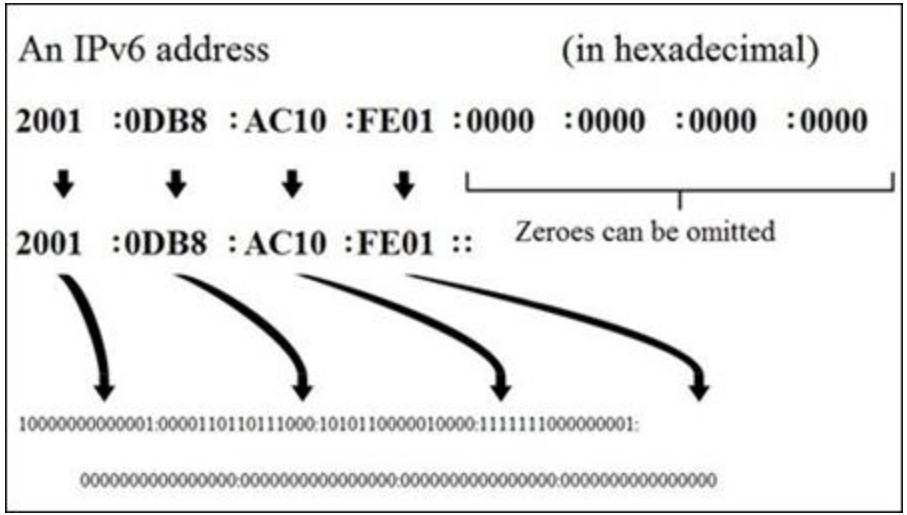
1. What hacking tool is in use in this capture?
2. What is the server OS and version?
3. What site(s) are being hooked?



Internet Layer

Internet Layer: IPv4 vs IPv6





IPv4

Internet Protocol v4 (IPv4)

RFC 3514, The Security Flag in the IPv4 Header, 1 April 2003 (“Evil Bit”)

RFC 791 (1981)

Provides device IP addressing information

Required for inter-network communications

Used by routers to distribute traffic

Common implementations:

- ICMP
- OSPF

Internet Control Message Protocol

ICMP

RFC 792 (1981)
Transport or Internet Layer?
“ICMP, uses the basic support of IP as if it were a higher level protocol, however, ICMP is actually an integral part of IP, and must be implemented by every IP module.”

- Protocol number 1
- Typically associated with the “ping” command
- Primarily used for testing connectivity issues

Activity: Bring Out Your Dead

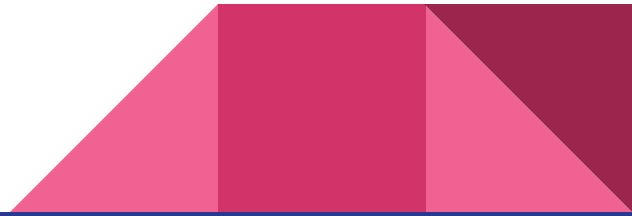
Open podping.pcap and answer the following:

1. How many bytes were exchanged in the largest conversation?
2. What was the largest frame length for ICMP traffic?
3. Was there any packet fragmentation?
4. What was the data that was transmitted with the ICMP traffic?
5. What type of attack was this?

Network Access Layer

Ethernet

RFC 894 (1984)
What we will typically observe in traffic
Features IEEE 802 standards
Involves MAC addresses (device addresses)
Used by switches to distribute traffic

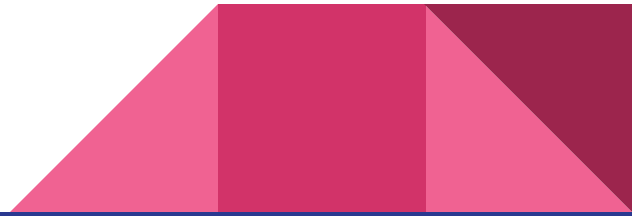


IEEE 802 Standards

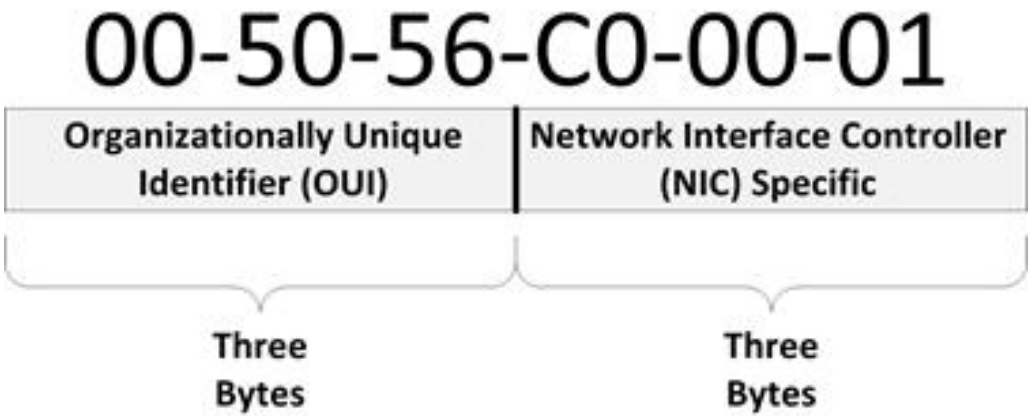
Promulgated by Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
Common implementations:

- 802.3 Ethernet
- 802.11 Wireless

See http://www.ieee802.org/

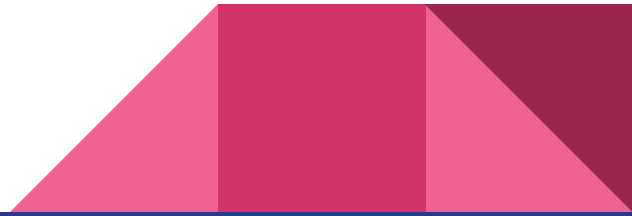


Network Access Layer: MAC Address



Network Layer Attacks

- MAC spoofing
- MAC flooding
- ARP spoofing



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