

# CS437: Internet of Things

## Lab 3

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**Demo video (for Router Configuration):**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BmvCxkO1MaNafpUalQ9XFYPNkWU8TEoX/view?usp=sharing>

### Firewall

- ☐ Read [Firewall \(computing\) - Wikipedia](#)
- ☐ Read [Raspberry Pi Documentation - Configuration](#)

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo ufw enable
Command may disrupt existing ssh connections. Proceed with operation (y|n)? y
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
```

**Figure 1.** Firewall installed and enabled

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo ufw status
Status: active

To Action From
--
22/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
36803 ALLOW Anywhere
22/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
36803 (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
```

**Figure 2.** Firewall status showing port 22/tcp ssh is allowed, as well as the port used for lab 2

### Firewalls

**What sorts of firewall technologies do you feel are helpful for IoT? What layer(s) of firewall do you feel are most appropriate to protect your device?**

Threshold-based filtering to block packets at the IP layer before any connection is established. Application layer would also be appropriate to identify unwanted services regardless of using a standard port or any abuse in an established protocol.

## Raspberry Pi OS Firewalls

### **What are your thoughts on these security practices? Can you think of any possible attacks not covered by these configuration practices?**

With ufw and Fail2Ban, Raspberry Pi OS security practices would be sufficient for most applications. However, if anyone's life is on the line, for medical devices or automotives, the security measures should also be implemented at the application level. If someone has enough patience and resources, they could find an allowed port, rules used to design attacks to bypass the checks and brute force their way in. It is especially vulnerable when the firewall mechanisms are widely known.

## Findings and Applications

When the firewall is enabled on the raspberry pi, the VSCode remote ssh would not work since it uses another port other than port 22. The port that VSCode wants to access can be found in the log when VSCode tries to connect. It was interesting to find the port being blocked in action, and how the connection went right through after adding the allowed ports. This can be applied to any projects we come across in the future. After setting up all the necessary components in an IoT system or any other platform, the firewall can be set up to only allow traffic through the ports we will utilize. This adds an additional layer of security and minimizes chances of any malicious attempts.

## Packet Inspection

- ☐ Read <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pcap>,  
<https://www.comparitech.com/net-admin/pcap-guide/>
- ☐ Read <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wireshark>,  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkCSr30UojMr>

## pcap

### **What is pcap? What sorts of information does pcap capture about packets?**

PCAP (packet captures) captures wired and wireless live packet data to monitor or record network traffic and translate to a human-readable format. PCAP captures bandwidth usage, resolution, and detects any suspicious activities. Information from layer 2 to 7 (everything except for the physical layer) can be detected by PCAP including source, destination, protocol used, payload.

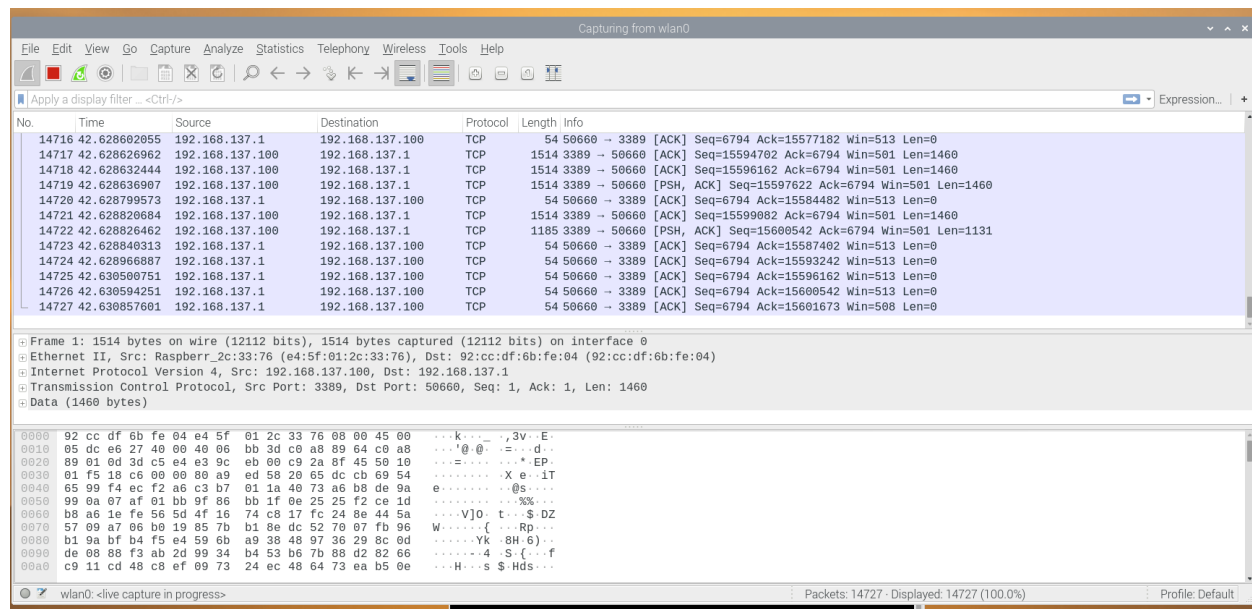
### **Can you think of some example problems you could diagnose with a pcap trace?**

When there are multiple devices talking to each other and sending packets over the network, PCAP trace could see if the packets reach the destination successfully and where the packets are dropped in case of an unsuccessful connection. Another use case would be tracking the malicious traffic to find areas impacted if there was a malware breach.

### **Can you think of problems for which pcap would not be appropriate?**

PCAP would not be able to detect hardware-based attacks, therefore there should be other security measures in place. Placing the PCAP sniffer at the edge of the network would also compromise the visibility it has.

## Wireshark



**Figure 3.** Wireshark interface showing packets captured from wlan0

### **What is Wireshark? How is it related to or different from pcap? What are some situations you might want to use Wireshark?**

Wireshark is an open source tool implemented to use PCAP that runs on most platforms.

Wiresharks provide a well rounded overview and essential details on the network. Wireshark is great for a general survey, debugging, or network monitoring without the need to look into any specialized areas. It is also great for learning about networking.

### **(set up Wireshark) What do you notice? What do you see in the contents of packet headers, is it what you expected? Also do you see any packets you don't expect?**

Opening up Wireshark, traffic between the router and the pi through TCP was observed. It captures messages with ACK tags, which was expected. There were a couple ACK PSH tags that were unexpected. PSH (push) tags are used to tell the client/server to send the data it has to the receiving end immediately even when the buffer is not filled up.

### **Think about how to use packet inspection to deal with various scenarios. If you believed you were under attack, and an adversary had infiltrated your system, how would you use Wireshark to figure out what happened?**

Wireshark can trace through the packets and find the sources and destination the attack packets has been through. This can help identify the areas infected and how to contain the spread and minimize damage. Looking through the sources and destinations, we can find out when, where and how (through what protocol) the system was infiltrated.

## Findings and Applications

Wireshark is a very versatile and well-rounded tool great for anyone learning or working with networking. While there are may functionalities available, I imagine it could not only be applied

to tracing packets to check that the system is functional, but also finding the loopholes in the systems before any attacks could be launched.

## Wireless Configuration

- ❑ Read <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/iwconfig-command-in-linux-with-examples/> and <https://linux.die.net/man/8/iwconfig>

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ ifconfig
eth0: flags=4099<UP,BROADCAST,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    ether e4:5f:01:2c:33:75 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
    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
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

wlan0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 192.168.137.100 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.137.255
    inet6 fe80::2197:e0de:b4ad:df8 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether e4:5f:01:2c:33:76 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 73 bytes 7957 (7.7 KiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 97 bytes 14186 (13.8 KiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

**Figure 4.** Running `ifconfig`

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ iwconfig
lo          no wireless extensions.

eth0        no wireless extensions.

wlan0       IEEE 802.11  ESSID:"CAKE 1744"
            Mode:Managed  Frequency:5.18 GHz  Access Point: 92:CC:DF:6B:FE:04
            Bit Rate=433.3 Mb/s   Tx-Power=31 dBm
            Retry short limit:7   RTS thr:off   Fragment thr:off
            Power Management:on
            Link Quality=47/70  Signal level=-63 dBm
            Rx invalid nwid:0  Rx invalid crypt:0  Rx invalid frag:0
            Tx excessive retries:2  Invalid misc:0  Missed beacon:0
```

**Figure 5.** Running `iwconfig` right next to the router

```

pi@raspberrypi:~ $ iwconfig
lo          no wireless extensions.

eth0        no wireless extensions.

wlan0       IEEE 802.11  ESSID:"CAKE 1744"
            Mode:Managed  Frequency:5.18 GHz  Access Point: 92:CC:DF:6B:FE:04
            Bit Rate=292.5 Mb/s   Tx-Power=31 dBm
            Retry short limit:7   RTS thr:off   Fragment thr:off
            Power Management:on
            Link Quality=47/70   Signal level=-63 dBm
            Rx invalid nwid:0    Rx invalid crypt:0    Rx invalid frag:0
            Tx excessive retries:1 Invalid misc:0    Missed beacon:0

```

**Figure 6.** Running `iwconfig` in the room farthest from the router. Note the bit rate lowered ~ 140 Mb/s

```

pi@raspberrypi:~ $ iwconfig
lo          no wireless extensions.

eth0        no wireless extensions.

wlan0       IEEE 802.11  ESSID:"CAKE 1744"
            Mode:Managed  Frequency:5.18 GHz  Access Point: 92:CC:DF:6B:FE:04
            Bit Rate=433.3 Mb/s   Tx-Power=31 dBm
            Retry short limit:7   RTS thr:off   Fragment thr:off
            Power Management:on
            Link Quality=30/70   Signal level=-80 dBm
            Rx invalid nwid:0    Rx invalid crypt:0    Rx invalid frag:0
            Tx excessive retries:5 Invalid misc:0    Missed beacon:0

pi@raspberrypi:~ $ iwconfig
lo          no wireless extensions.

eth0        no wireless extensions.

wlan0       IEEE 802.11  ESSID:"CAKE 1744"
            Mode:Managed  Frequency:5.18 GHz  Access Point: 92:CC:DF:6B:FE:04
            Bit Rate=292.5 Mb/s   Tx-Power=31 dBm
            Retry short limit:7   RTS thr:off   Fragment thr:off
            Power Management:on
            Link Quality=26/70   Signal level=-84 dBm
            Rx invalid nwid:0    Rx invalid crypt:0    Rx invalid frag:0
            Tx excessive retries:10 Invalid misc:0    Missed beacon:0

```

**Figure 7.** Running `iwconfig` outside the fridge vs inside



```

Group Cipher : CCMP
Pairwise Ciphers (1) : CCMP
Authentication Suites (1) : PSK
IE: Unknown: BF0C3278CB3FAAFF0000AAFF0000
IE: Unknown: C005019B00FCFF
IE: Unknown: DD1E002686010300DD00000025040092000601B05A74018D0000000000000000
IE: Unknown: DD06002686170000
IE: Unknown: 7F0801000802000000040
IE: Unknown: DD180050F204104A00011010440001021049000600372A000120
Cell 43 - Address: 76:83:C2:93:DE:B9
Channel:161
Frequency:5.805 GHz
Quality=24/70 Signal level=-86 dBm
Encryption key:on
ESSID:""
Bit Rates:6 Mb/s; 9 Mb/s; 12 Mb/s; 18 Mb/s; 24 Mb/s
          36 Mb/s; 48 Mb/s; 54 Mb/s
Mode:Master
Extra:tsf=0000000000000000
Extra: Last beacon: 70ms ago
IE: Unknown: 0000
IE: Unknown: 01088C129824B048606C
IE: Unknown: 0301A1
IE: Unknown: 050400030000

```

**Figure 10.** Running `sudo iwlist wlan0 scan` showed 43 access points

```

pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo iwconfig wlan0 txpower 15dBm
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ iwconfig
lo          no wireless extensions.

eth0        no wireless extensions.

wlan0       IEEE 802.11  ESSID:"CAKE 1744"
            Mode:Managed  Frequency:5.18 GHz  Access Point: 92:CC:DF:6B:FE:04
            Bit Rate=351 Mb/s   Tx-Power=15 dBm
            Retry short limit:7   RTS thr:off   Fragment thr:off
            Power Management:on
            Link Quality=62/70  Signal level=-48 dBm
            Rx invalid nwid:0  Rx invalid crypt:0  Rx invalid frag:0
            Tx excessive retries:35  Invalid misc:0  Missed beacon:0

```

**Figure 11.** Running `sudo iwconfig wlan0 txpower 15dBm` to reduce the Tx-power default setting by half

`while true; do sleep 0.5; iwconfig wlan0 | grep "Link Quality"; done`

`iwconfig`

**What properties would you inspect?**

The bit rate, tx-power, and link quality were inspected.

**Take a look at the link quality using the Link Quality metric - walk around with your car and watch that change. What happens when you get closer to the access point? Can you discover any "dead zones" in your house where you have poor coverage?**

The link quality did not change significantly being right next to the router or to the farthest end of the apartment. However, the bit rate decreased a little bit. A dead zone discovered was inside



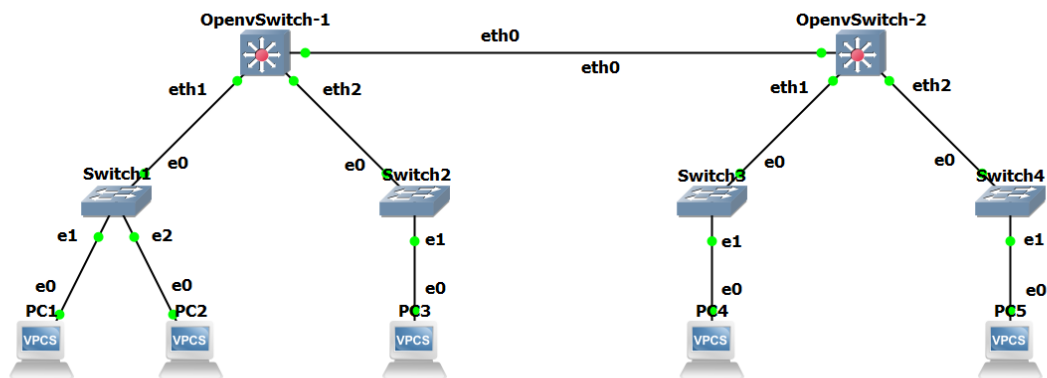
the fridge. Due to being enclosed in layers of metal, plastic, and some food (maybe being cold too), the link quality and bit rate dropped significantly compared to outside the fridge.

### Findings and Applications

It was interesting to see that a dead zone does not necessarily mean that it is too far away from the router for the transmit power to reach, but also its environment. This can be applied to designing the enclosure of a component. The choice of material needs to be considered for its electrical properties to not hinder the electromagnetic waves being received by the antenna.

The car network surveyor was also a great learning point on how easily we can see the other access points around us - and that we need a strong password and implement security measures if we are working on anything we wouldn't like other people to see on the network.

## Router Configuration



### Node

- ▼ OpenvSwitch-1
  - eth0 <=> eth0 OpenvSwitch-2
  - eth1 <=> e0 Switch1
  - eth2 <=> e0 Switch2
- ▼ OpenvSwitch-2
  - eth0 <=> eth0 OpenvSwitch-1
  - eth1 <=> e0 Switch3
  - eth2 <=> e0 Switch4
- ▼ PC1
  - e0 <=> e1 Switch1
- ▼ PC2
  - e0 <=> e2 Switch1
- ▼ PC3
  - e0 <=> e1 Switch2
- ▼ PC4
  - e0 <=> e1 Switch3
- ▼ PC5
  - e0 <=> e1 Switch4
- ▼ Switch1
  - e0 <=> eth1 OpenvSwitch-1
  - e1 <=> e0 PC1
  - e2 <=> e0 PC2
- ▼ Switch2
  - e0 <=> eth2 OpenvSwitch-1
  - e1 <=> e0 PC3
- ▼ Switch3
  - e0 <=> eth1 OpenvSwitch-2
  - e1 <=> e0 PC4
- ▼ Switch4
  - e0 <=> eth2 OpenvSwitch-2
  - e1 <=> e0 PC5

## Overview:

Our setup consists of the following components:

Component Type	Components
Virtual PC (via VPCS)	PC1, PC2, PC3, PC4, PC5
Level 2 switch	Switch1, Switch2, Switch3, Switch4
Router/Level 3 switch	OpenvSwitch-1, OpenvSwitch-2

For our Router/Level 3 switch appliance, we used Open vSwitch, as suggested on Campuswire (see #404). We assigned each one to a shared subnet via the eth0 interface, setting the other switch as a gateway to allow traffic to find its way across router subnets.

For each Virtual PC, we set the gateway to the relevant OpenvSwitch interface.

## Breakdown:

Component	Type	Connection/Interfacing
PC1	Virtual PC	IP: 10.0.0.2/25 Gateway: 10.0.0.1
PC2	Virtual PC	IP: 10.0.0.3/25 Gateway: 10.0.0.1
PC3	Virtual PC	IP: 10.0.0.130/25 Gateway: 10.0.0.129
PC4	Virtual PC	IP: 10.2.2.2/25 Gateway: 10.2.2.1
PC5	Virtual PC	IP: 10.2.2.130/25 Gateway: 10.2.2.129
Switch1	Level 2 switch	OpenvSwitch-1 connects to this device via its interface eth1
Switch2	Level 2 switch	OpenvSwitch-1 connects to this device via its interface eth2
Switch3	Level 2 switch	OpenvSwitch-2 connects to this device via its interface eth1

Switch4	Level 2 switch	OpenvSwitch-1 connects to this device via its interface eth2
OpenvSwitch-1	Router/Level 3 switch	Interface eth0: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IP: 10.1.1.1/24</li> <li>Gateway: 10.1.1.2</li> </ul> Interface eth1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IP: 10.0.0.1/24</li> </ul> Interface eth2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IP: 10.0.0.129/24</li> </ul>
OpenvSwitch-1	Router/Level 3 switch	Interface eth0: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IP: 10.1.1.1/24</li> <li>Gateway: 10.1.1.2</li> </ul> Interface eth1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IP: 10.0.0.1/24</li> </ul> Interface eth2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IP: 10.0.0.129/24</li> </ul>

### Instructions:

#### Setup:

- Create 5 virtual PCs using the "VPCS" template.
  - Name them PC1, PC2, PC3, PC4, and PC5
- Create 4 Ethernet switches using the "Ethernet Switch" template.
  - Name them Switch1, Switch2, Switch3, and Switch4
- Add the Open vSwitch template (if not already present)
  - In the menu bar, select File > New Template
  - Select "Install an appliance from the GNS3 server (recommended)", and click Next
  - Expand the "Switches" category, select the appliance named "Open vSwitch", and click Next
  - Select "Install the appliance on the GNS3 VM (recommended)", and click Next
  - Click Finish
- Create 2 Open vSwitch instances using the "Open vSwitch" template.
  - Name them OpenvSwitch-1, and OpenvSwitch-2

#### Configuration:

- Configure OpenvSwitch-1
  - Right click on the object > Configure
  - In the General Settings tab, set Adapters to 3

- c. Click the Edit button for Network Configuration, and enter the following:

```
# Static config for eth0
auto eth0
iface eth0 inet static
    address 10.1.1.1
    netmask 255.255.255.0
    gateway 10.1.1.2

# Static config for eth1
auto eth1
iface eth1 inet static
    address 10.0.0.1
    netmask 255.255.255.128

# Static config for eth2
auto eth2
iface eth2 inet static
    address 10.0.0.129
    netmask 255.255.255.128
```
- d. Click Save
- e. Click Apply
- 2. Configure OpenvSwitch-2
  - a. Right click on the object > Configure
  - b. In the General Settings tab, set Adapters to 3
  - c. Click the Edit button for Network Configuration, and enter the following in the popup window:

```
# Static config for eth0
auto eth0
iface eth0 inet static
    address 10.1.1.2
    netmask 255.255.255.0
    gateway 10.1.1.1

# Static config for eth1
auto eth1
iface eth1 inet static
    address 10.2.2.1
    netmask 255.255.255.128

# Static config for eth2
auto eth2
iface eth2 inet static
    address 10.2.2.129
    netmask 255.255.255.128
```

- d. Click Save
  - e. Click Apply
3. Configure PC1
  - a. Right click on object > Edit Config
  - b. Enter the following in the popup window:  
`set pcname PC1`  
`ip 10.0.0.2/25 10.0.0.1`
  - c. Click Save
4. Configure PC2
  - a. Right click on object > Edit Config
  - b. Enter the following in the popup window:  
`set pcname PC2`  
`ip 10.0.0.3/25 10.0.0.1`
  - c. Click Save
5. Configure PC3
  - a. Right click on object > Edit Config
  - b. Enter the following in the popup window:  
`set pcname PC3`  
`ip 10.0.0.130/25 10.0.0.129`
  - c. Click Save
6. Configure PC4
  - a. Right click on object > Edit Config
  - b. Enter the following in the popup window:  
`set pcname PC4`  
`ip 10.2.2.2/25 10.2.2.1`
  - c. Click Save
7. Configure PC5
  - a. Right click on object > Edit Config
  - b. Enter the following in the popup window:  
`set pcname PC5`  
`ip 10.2.2.130/25 10.2.2.129`
  - c. Click Save

Connection:

1. Connect OpenvSwitch-1 (eth0) to OpenvSwitch-2 (eth0)
2. Connect OpenvSwitch-1 (eth1) to Switch1 (e0)
3. Connect OpenvSwitch-1 (eth2) to Switch2 (e0)
4. Connect OpenvSwitch-2 (eth1) to Switch3 (e0)
5. Connect OpenvSwitch-2 (eth2) to Switch4 (e0)
6. Connect Switch1 (e1) to PC1 (e0)
7. Connect Switch1 (e2) to PC2 (e0)
8. Connect Switch2 (e1) to PC3 (e0)
9. Connect Switch3 (e1) to PC4 (e0)
10. Connect Switch4 (e1) to PC5 (e0)

## Contributions

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