Wireshark Filtering in Computer Networks

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Goals

- Understanding by doing
- Look for specific network information
- See in practice things that you learned
- Give a kickoff to getting hands dirty

Outline

1. General introduction to packet sniffing
2. Tutorial on Wireshark
3. Capture filters and Display filters
4. Hands-on exercises

The slides are inspired to the WireShark course by Dr. Luca Bedogni

All material is a courtesy of WireShark Labs, J.F. Kurose, K.W. Ross (https://gaia.cs.umass.edu/kurose_ross/wireshark.htm)

Pre-requisites

In order to participate actively in the hands-on tutorial you need to do a couple of steps:

- Download and install WireShark (https://www.wireshark.org/download.html)
  - You may want to do it in a Virtual Machine if you feel you want to go hardcore later…
  - Linux users can find it on the repo
- Download the pre-set WireShark traces at http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/wireshark-traces.zip

Packet Sniffers

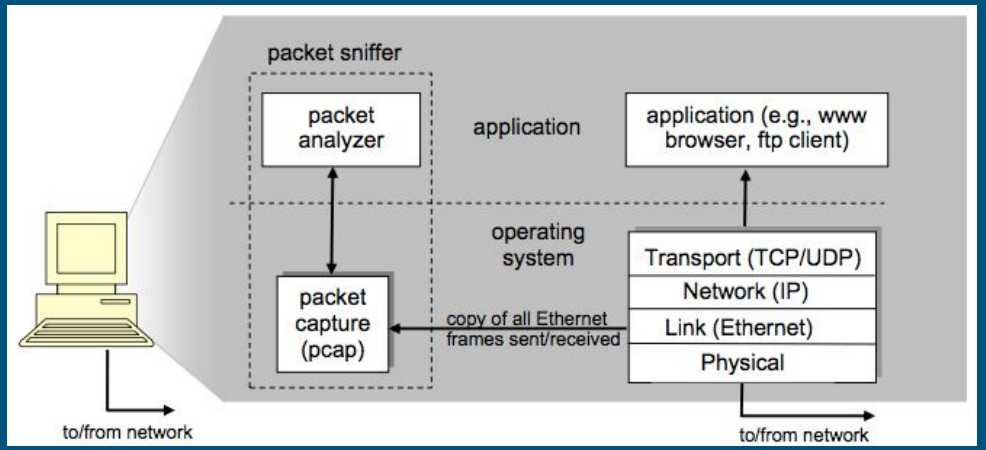
Packet sniffing is the operation of capturing data flowing through the network to look for information in network packets.

Frequently used by system administrator to troubleshoot network issues:

- Why traffic is slow
- Detect intrusions

Considered security tools:

- Because it gives all the tools to assess it



Packet Sniffers

It is a passive technique:

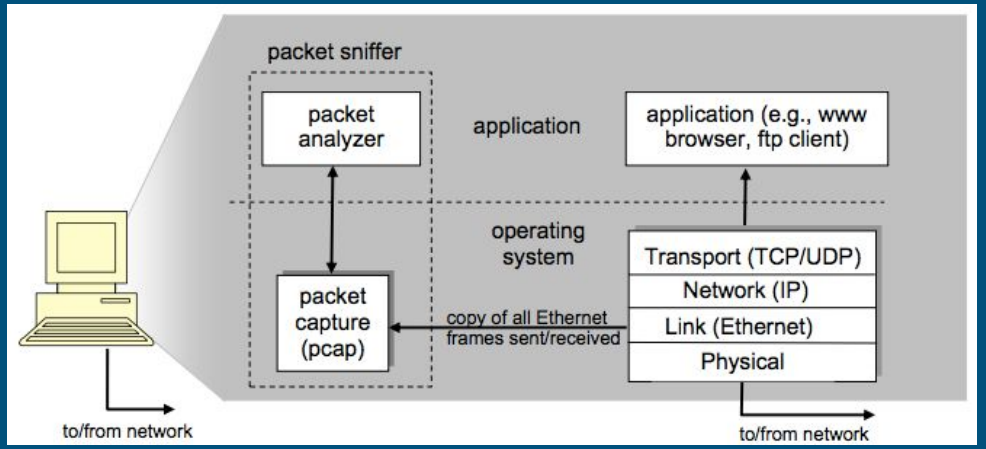
- One or more of your network interfaces to listen for everything (or a subset…)
- Packets are copied and displayed to the user
- The packet sniffer is just listening
- Actually, information does not change

The packet capture library (PCAP):

- Receives the packets with filters.

The packet analyzer:

- Shows the packet contents
- Decodes nested fields



PROMISCUOUS MODE:

- Don’t throw it away if it isn’t for you

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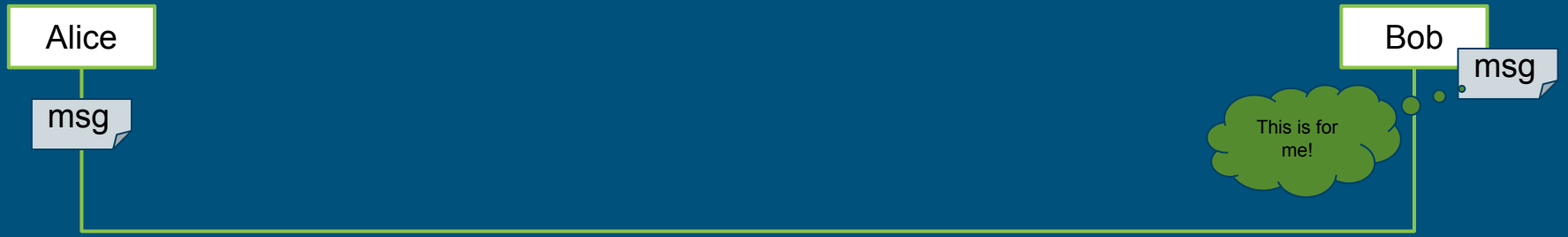

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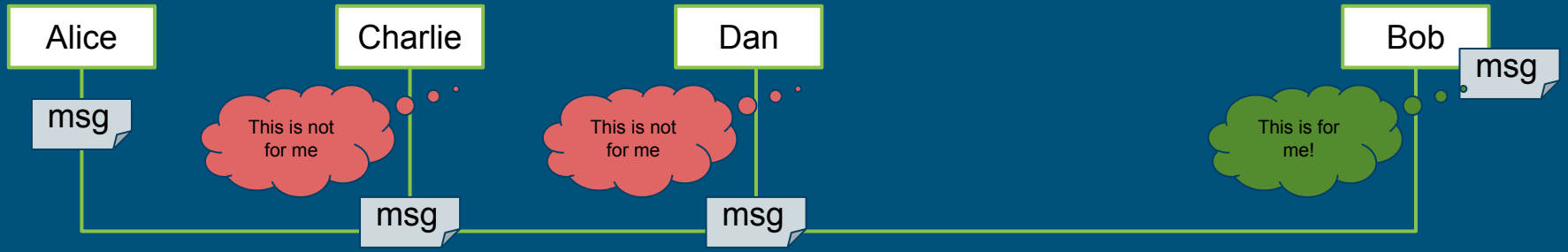

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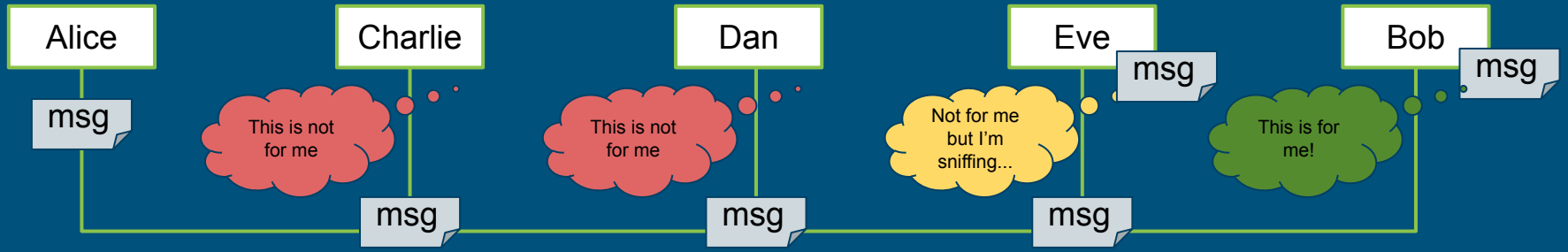
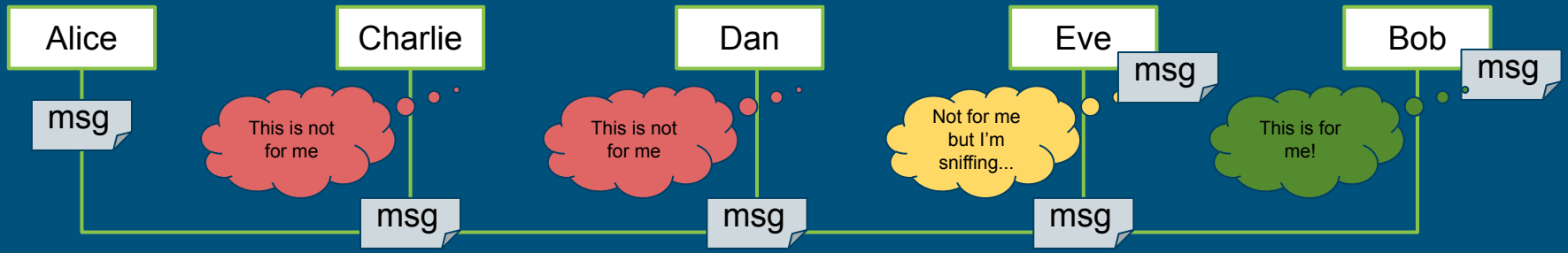


How do they work?

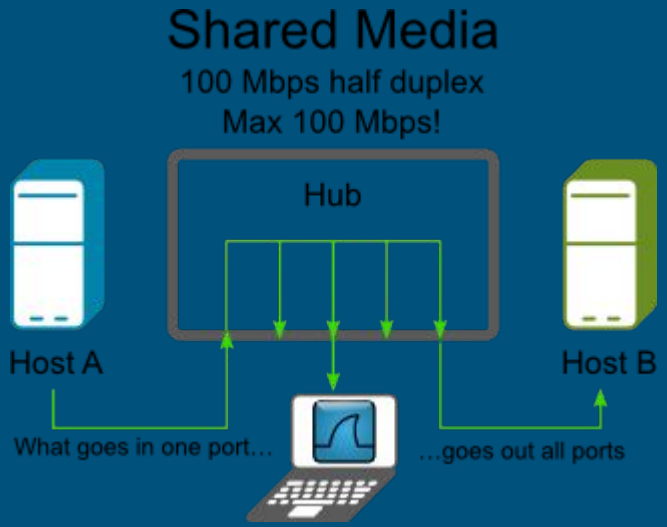
Well, ACTUALLY over the last couple of decades you can't really sniff everything….

- Switched ethernet LANs
  - Your host is only on one segment… ARP may be your enemy here
- Only Broadcasts, multicasts and your segment (plus all wireless obviously)



Old Network Setups

If your sharing media is below OSI layer 2, well, then it works like wireless pretty much...



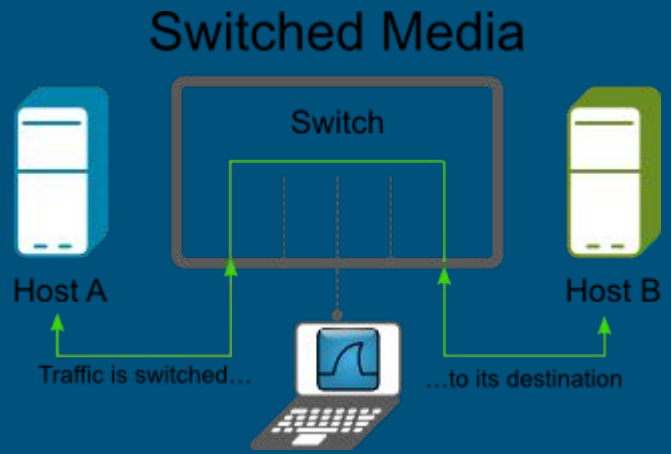
Remember:

- Hubs (layer 1)
- Repeaters (layer 1)
- Switches (layer 2)
- Routers (layer 3)

Read more at:
https://wiki.wireshark.org/CaptureSetup/Ethernet#Switched_Ethernet

Really Sniffing Everything

This applies only **if you are the network administrator** or you can mess with the wires of the switch (not advised).



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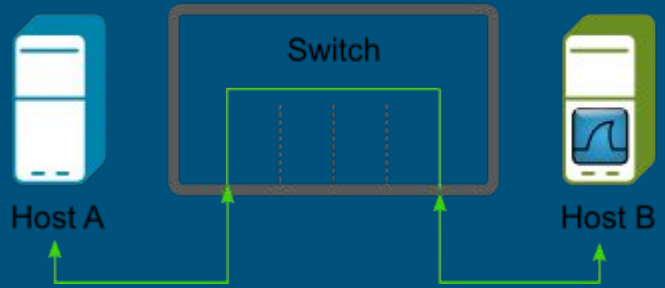
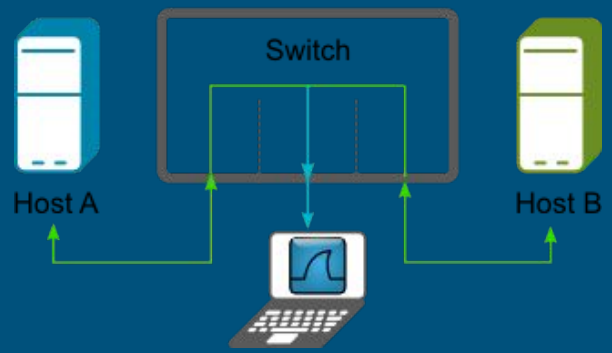
Switched Media — Same Computer



Switch + Monitor Port



If you want to capture the traffic to/from B, just sniff from B

Needless to say, you need to have access to B…

Use a router or a switch with a monitor port

PORT MIRRORING $$

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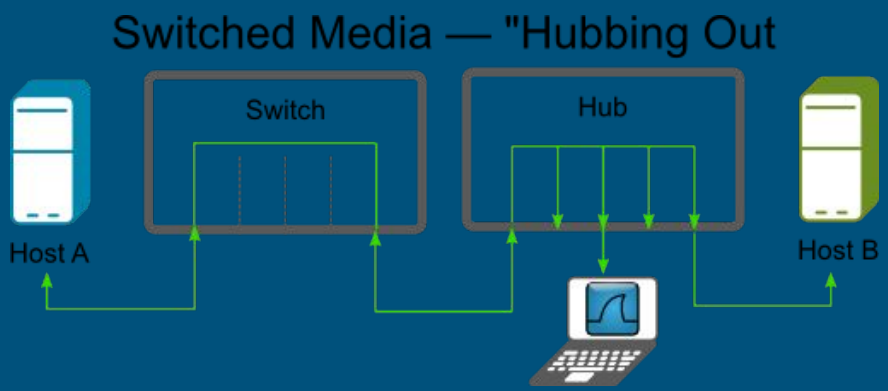
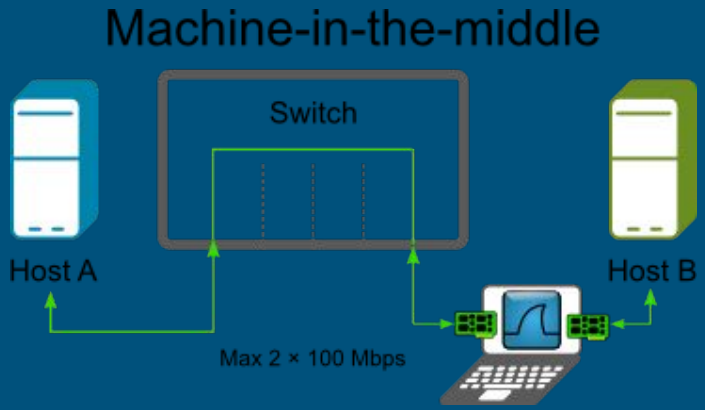




Use an old hub on the network segment.
You can also use a TAP, which is more sophisticated.

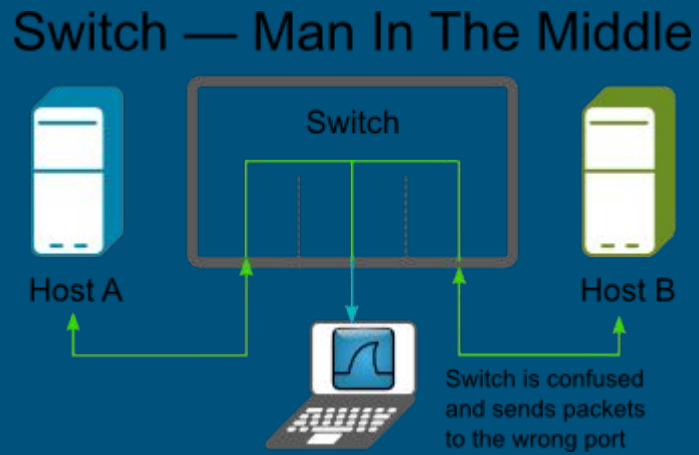
You need to unplug stuff...

You can set up your monitoring machine as a bridge, however you will need two separate NICs...

Really Sniffing Everything

The ILLEGAL ways...

- ARP Poisoning
  - Trick the machines into believing that your MAC is the MAC of the other machine, so all the traffic is directed to you.
- MAC Flooding
  - Send plenty of fake ARP messages to the router until its table is filled and no ARP is used anymore to keep up the pace.



Please note these are not nice and you should not try them unless the LAN is yours.

Did I say Wireless?

Well, that’s also a problem… If wireless cuts you out at the PHY level then you’re done.

- TDMA in general
  - LTE…
- For WiFi we are pretty much covered…

Simple Example

Suppose you want to visit unibo.it (consider a wireless environment)

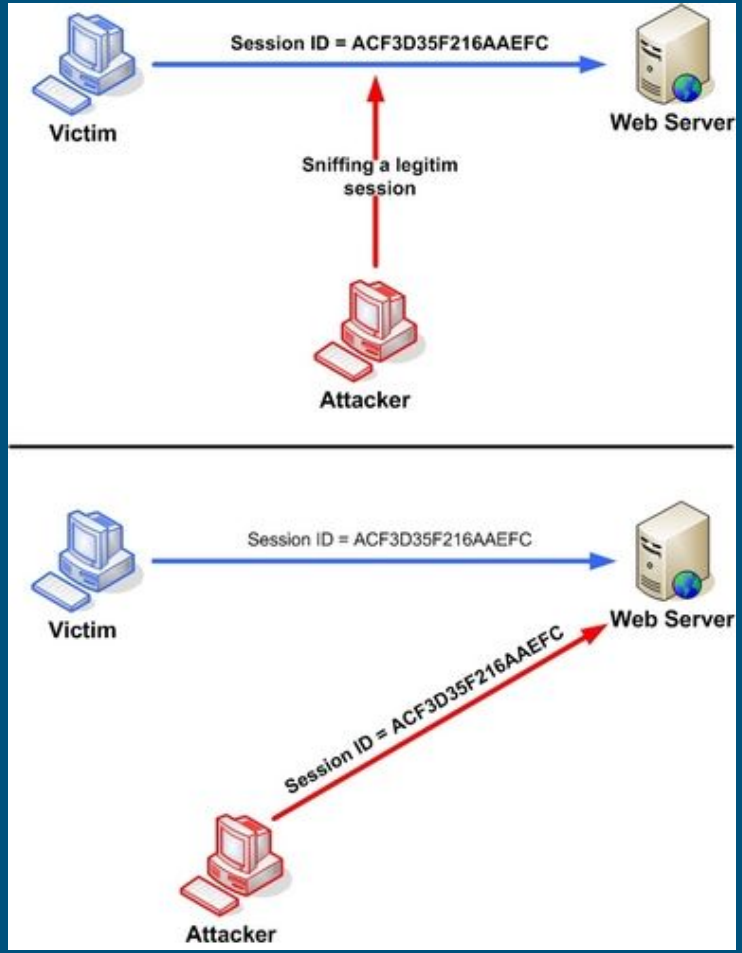
- Basically, you shout “Somebody give me unibo.it!”
- The message is overheard by anyone on the network
  - Including the router, who is the intended recipient
- The router sends it to the destination
- Once it receives the answer, it send the message again on the network
- Everybody overhears it
  - Including you, who are the intended recipient

What can you sniff?

DATA LINK FRAMES!

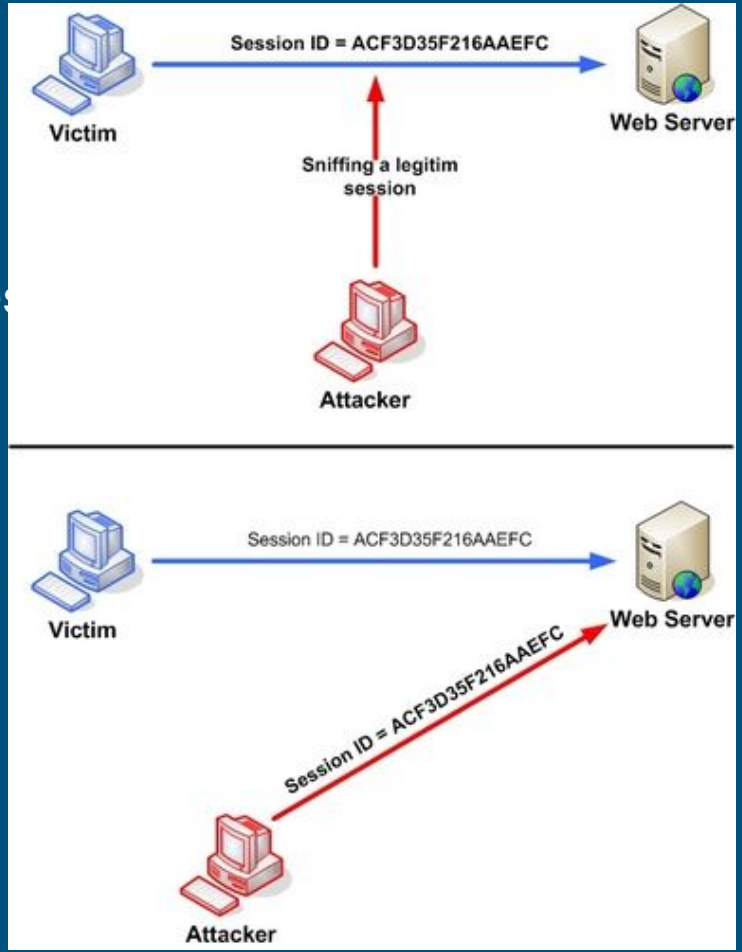
Then the analyzer decodes them (unless they are encoded) and gives you back the highest layer (plus all the envelopes).

Clearly, you find the higher layer datagram in the payload of the smaller layer one...



What can you sniff?

- Basically, all the information sent in clear
- Anyone with a packet sniffer can gain acces to such information
- If the connection is encrypted, the information is more secure
  - But still, you are receiving it
- Consider if your user credentials for a harmless website are sent in plain text
  - And you use the same credentials for gmail
  - ... and for you bank account ...
- Typical man-in-the-middle
  - Example: cookie hijacking



Wireshark

What is WireShark?

It is a network analyzer tool: it allows us to see all the packets that go through a network…

- Why is my network stuck every Friday evening from 6PM to 8PM?
- Why computer X can’t connect to the Internet?
- Why the A department can’t connect to the internal servers?

Wireshark helps us troubleshoot the network (correct use)

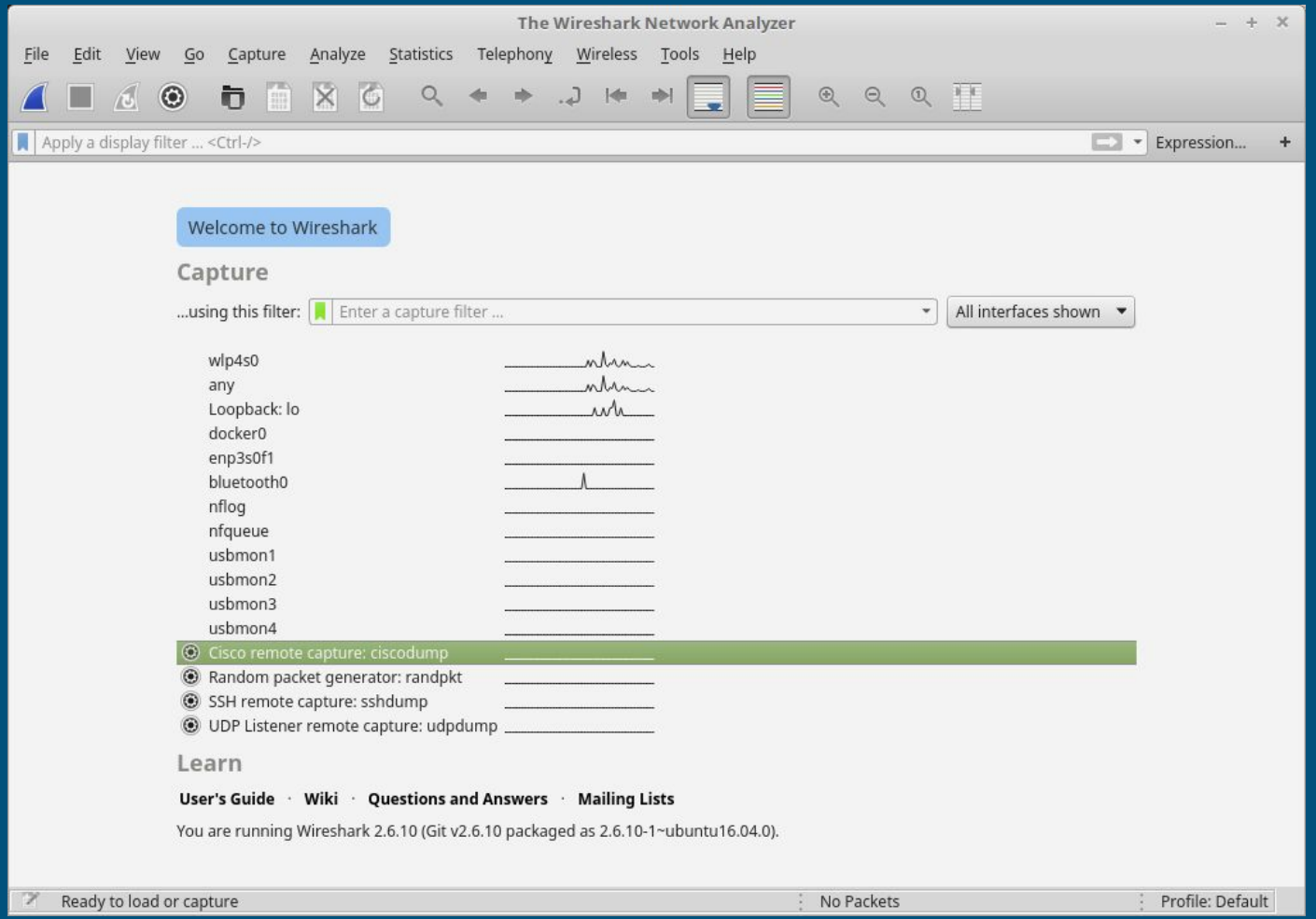
Available for Windows/MAC OS/Linux: https://www.wireshark.org/download.html

- Open Source with GUI

What is WireShark?

- What people use wireshark for:
  - Network administrators -> troubleshoot network problems
  - Network security engineers -> examine security problems
  - QA engineers -> verify network applications
  - Developers -> debug protocol implementations
  - People -> learn network protocol internals
  - Attackers -> you can imagine...
- Some features:
  - Capture live packet data and display it
  - Import network traces and save them
  - Filtering/Coloring/Search
  - Create network statistics

How it looks like



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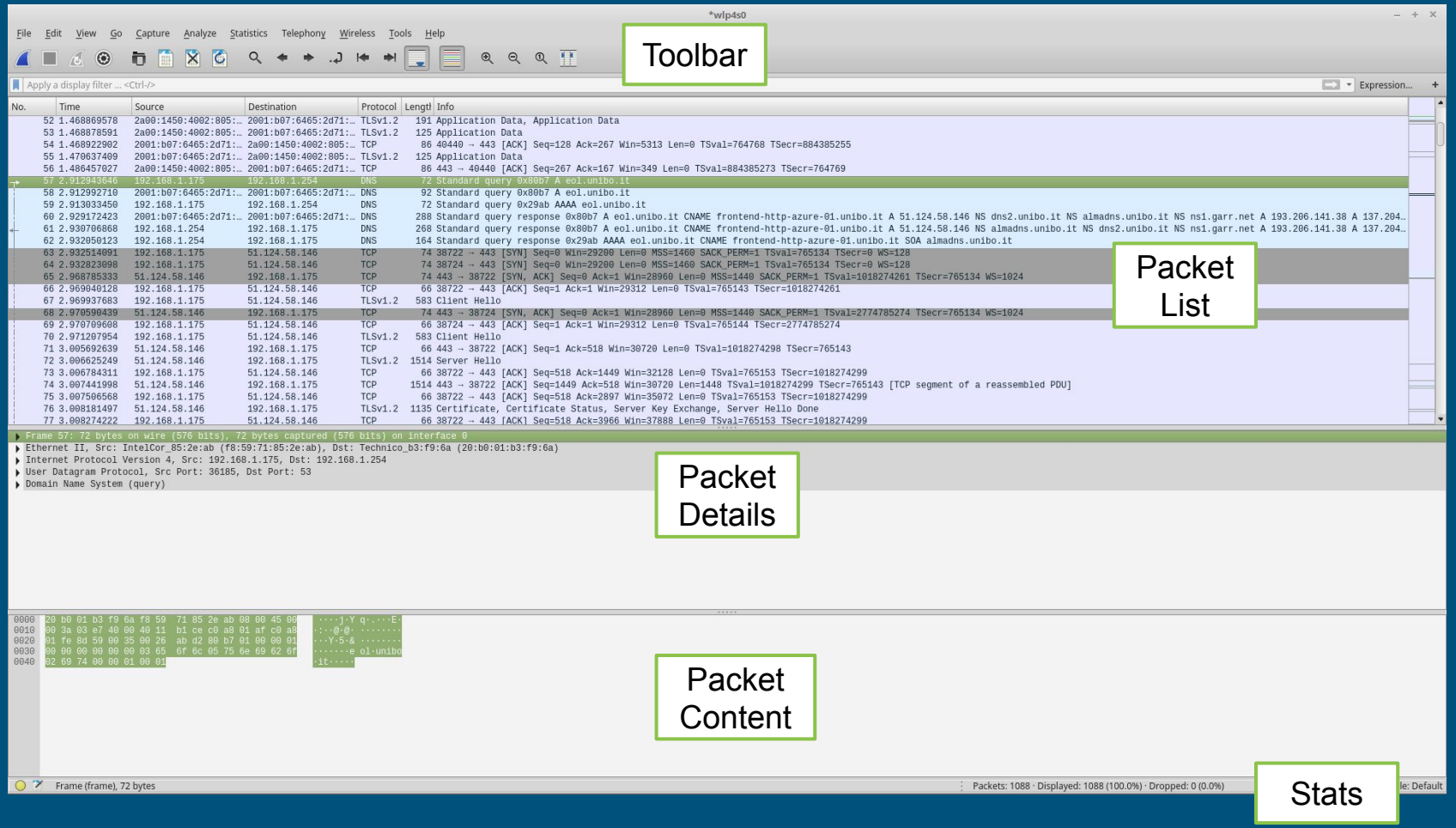


Wireshark Menu

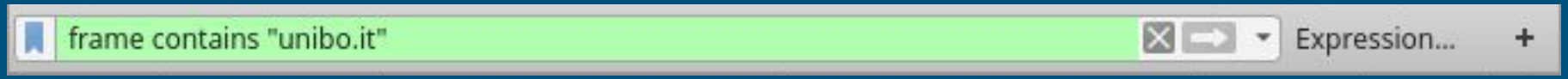
- **File** – Open, merge, export and print capture files
- **Edit** – Search packets, mark them, preferences
- **View** – Coloring packets and view options
- **Go** – Through this menu it is possible to go to a specific packet
- **Capture** – To start capturing and edit capture filters
- **Analyze** – Filtering packets, dissecting protocols
- **Statistics** – To generate and display statistics
- **Telephony** – Telephony related statistics
- **Wireless** – To show wireless related statistics
- **Tools** – Various tools available in wireshark
- **Help** – Help, manual pages

Wireshark Toolbar

- Start
- Stop
- Restart
- Options
- Open
- Save
- Close

- Reload
- Find
- Go to packets
- Auto scroll
- Colorize
- Zoom options
- Resize Columns

Wireshark Filtering Toolbar

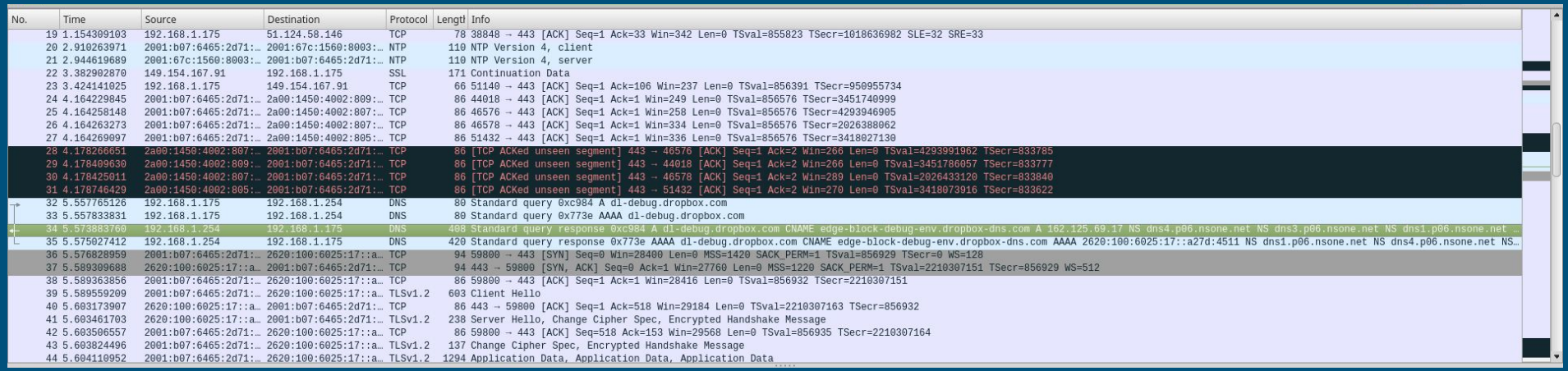


- Bookmarks
- Filter Input
- Clear
- Apply

It is probably one of the most powerful tools of wireshark: we'll see how many packets are generated even in low populated networks in short time

- Filtering is essential

The Packet List Panel



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21	2.944619689	2001:67c:1560:8003:…	2001:b07:6465:2d71:…	NTP	110	NTP Version 4, server
22	3.382902870	149.154.167.91	192.168.1.175	SSL	171	Continuation Data
23	3.424141025	192.168.1.175	149.154.167.91	TCP	66	51140 → 443 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=106 Win=237 Len=0 TSval=856391 TSecr=950955734
24	4.164229845	2001:b07:6465:2d71:…	2a00:1450:4002:809:…	TCP	86	44018 → 443 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=249 Len=0 TSval=856576 TSecr=3451740999
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39	5.589559209	2001:b07:6465:2d71:…	2620:100:6025:17::a…	TLSv1.2	603	Client Hello
40	5.603173907	2620:100:6025:17::a…	2001:b07:6465:2d71:…	TCP	86	443 → 59800 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=518 Win=29184 Len=0 TSval=2210307163 TSecr=856932
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42	5.603506557	2001:b07:6465:2d71:…	2620:100:6025:17::a…	TCP	86	59800 → 443 [ACK] Seq=518 Ack=153 Win=29568 Len=0 TSval=856935 TSecr=2210307164
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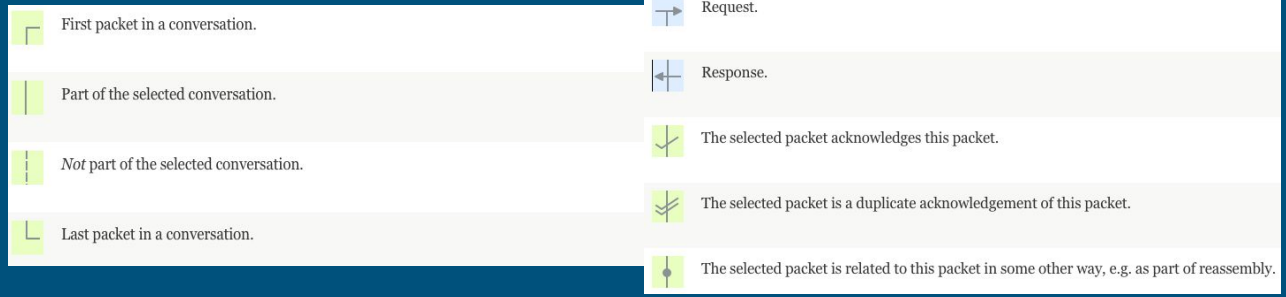
44	5.604110952	2001:b07:6465:2d71:…	2620:100:6025:17::a…	TLSv1.2	1294	Application Data, Application Data, Application Data

- One packet per line
- If selected, info about the flow
- Source, destination, protocol, etc...



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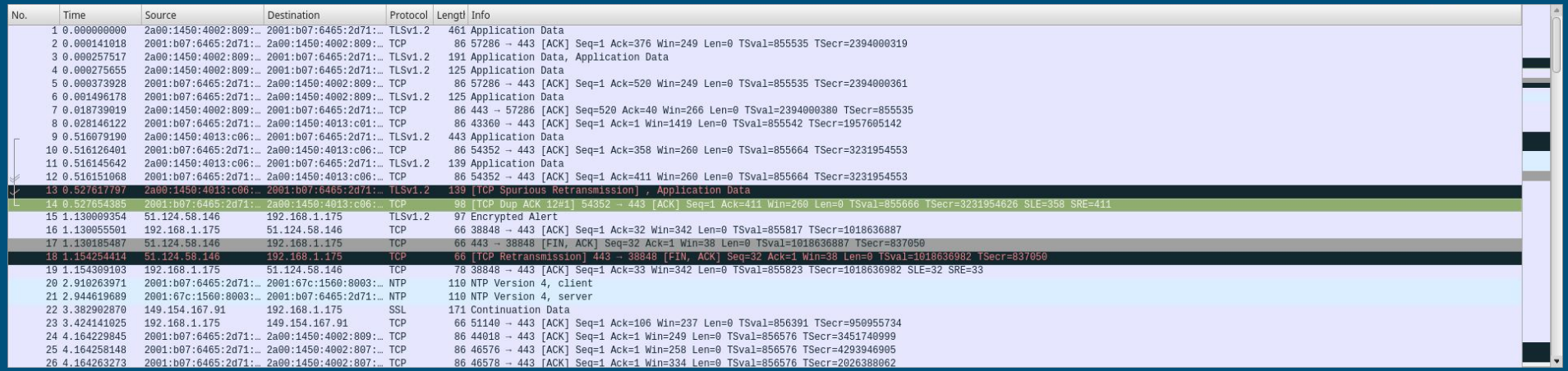

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6	0.001496178	2001:b07:6465:2d71:…	2a00:1450:4002:809:…	TLSv1.2	125	Application Data
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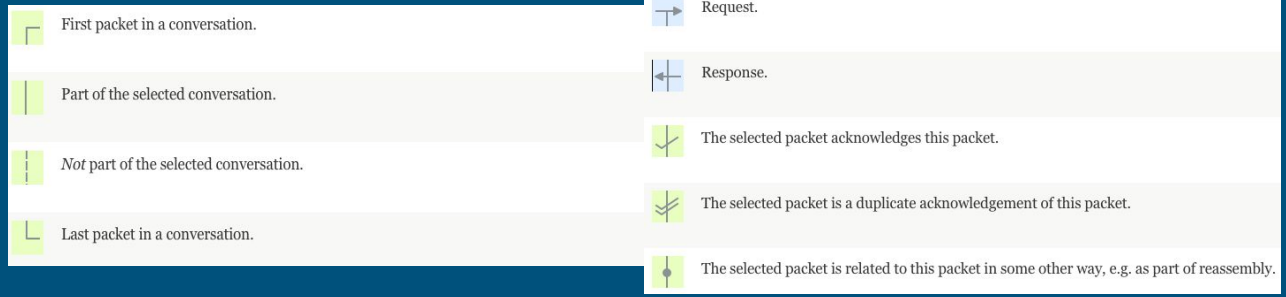

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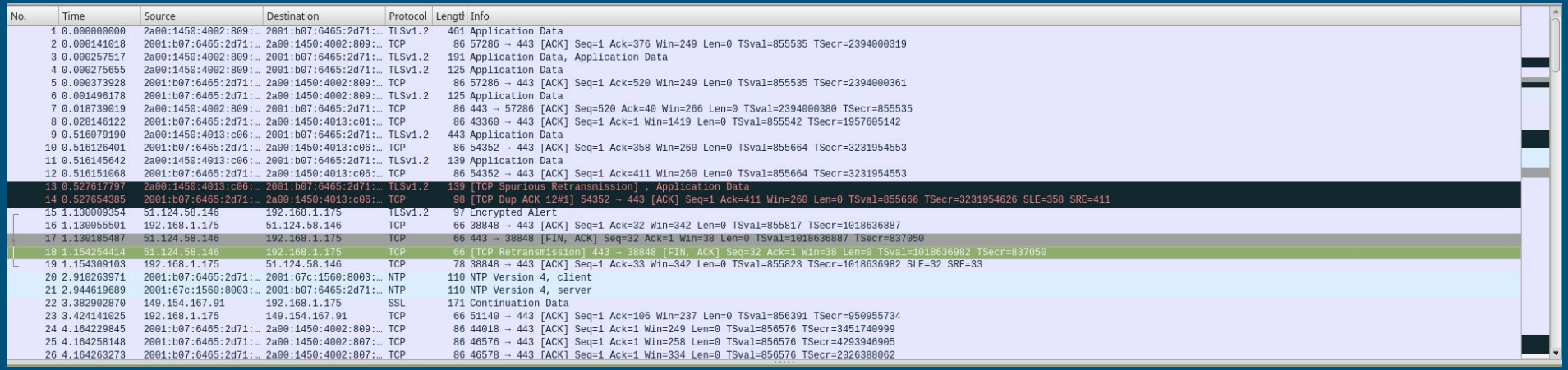

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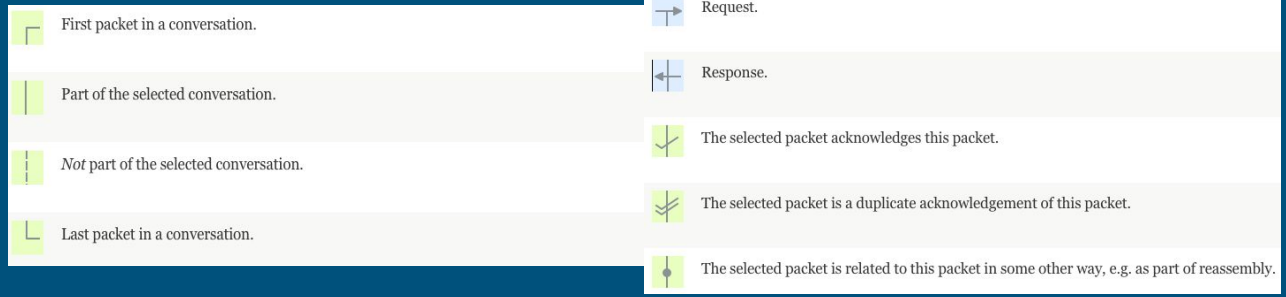
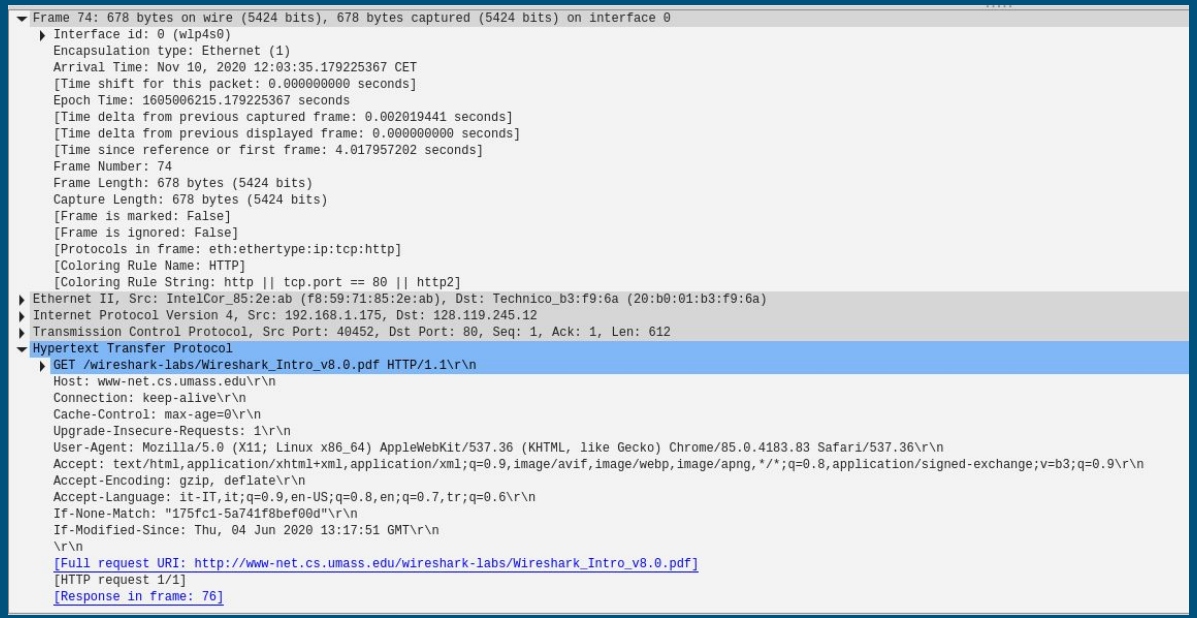


The Packet Details Panel

- It shows the details for a specific selected packet
- It can display additional information enclosed in brackets
- It also shows links if wireshark detects a link with another packet



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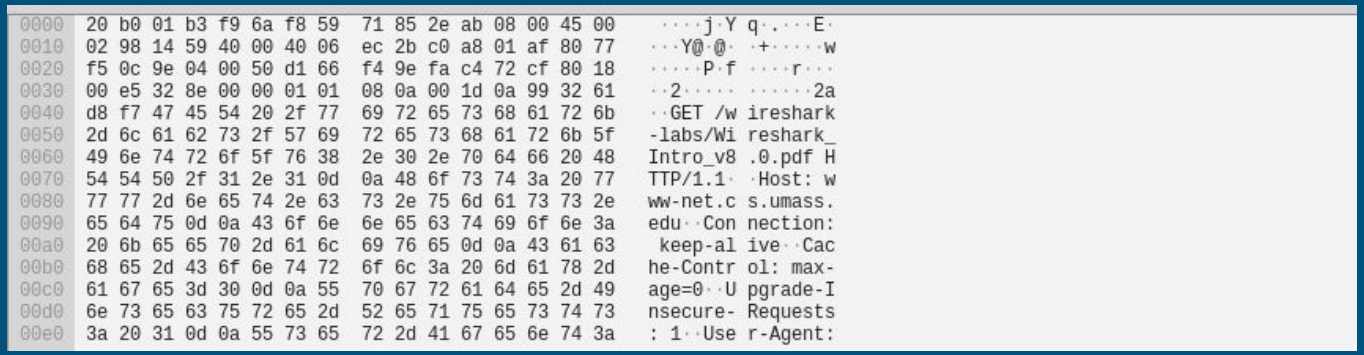

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0000  20 b0 01 b3 f9 6a f8 59  71 85 2e ab 08 00 45 00    ·····j·Y q·.···E·
0010  02 98 14 59 40 00 40 06  ec 2b c0 a8 01 af 80 77    ···Y@·@· ·+·····w
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0030  00 e5 32 8e 00 00 01 01  08 0a 00 1d 0a 99 32 61    ··2····· ·····2a
0040  d8 f7 47 45 54 20 2f 77  69 72 65 73 68 61 72 6b    ··GET /w ireshark
0050  2d 6c 61 62 73 2f 57 69  72 65 73 68 61 72 6b 5f    -labs/Wi reshark_
0060  49 6e 74 72 6f 5f 76 38  2e 30 2e 70 64 66 20 48    Intro_v8 .0.pdf H
0070  54 54 50 2f 31 2e 31 0d  0a 48 6f 73 74 3a 20 77    TTP/1.1· ·Host: w
0080  77 77 2d 6e 65 74 2e 63  73 2e 75 6d 61 73 73 2e    ww-net.c s.umass.
0090  65 64 75 0d 0a 43 6f 6e  6e 65 63 74 69 6f 6e 3a    edu··Con nection:
00a0  20 6b 65 65 70 2d 61 6c  69 76 65 0d 0a 43 61 63     keep-al ive··Cac
00b0  68 65 2d 43 6f 6e 74 72  6f 6c 3a 20 6d 61 78 2d    he-Contr ol: max-
00c0  61 67 65 3d 30 0d 0a 55  70 67 72 61 64 65 2d 49    age=0··U pgrade-I
00d0  6e 73 65 63 75 72 65 2d  52 65 71 75 65 73 74 73    nsecure- Requests
00e0  3a 20 31 0d 0a 55 73 65  72 2d 41 67 65 6e 74 3a    : 1··Use r-Agent:
```

Shows the dump of the packet

- Shown in hexadecimal or binary

More than one page may available in case wireshark reassembled more than one packet together

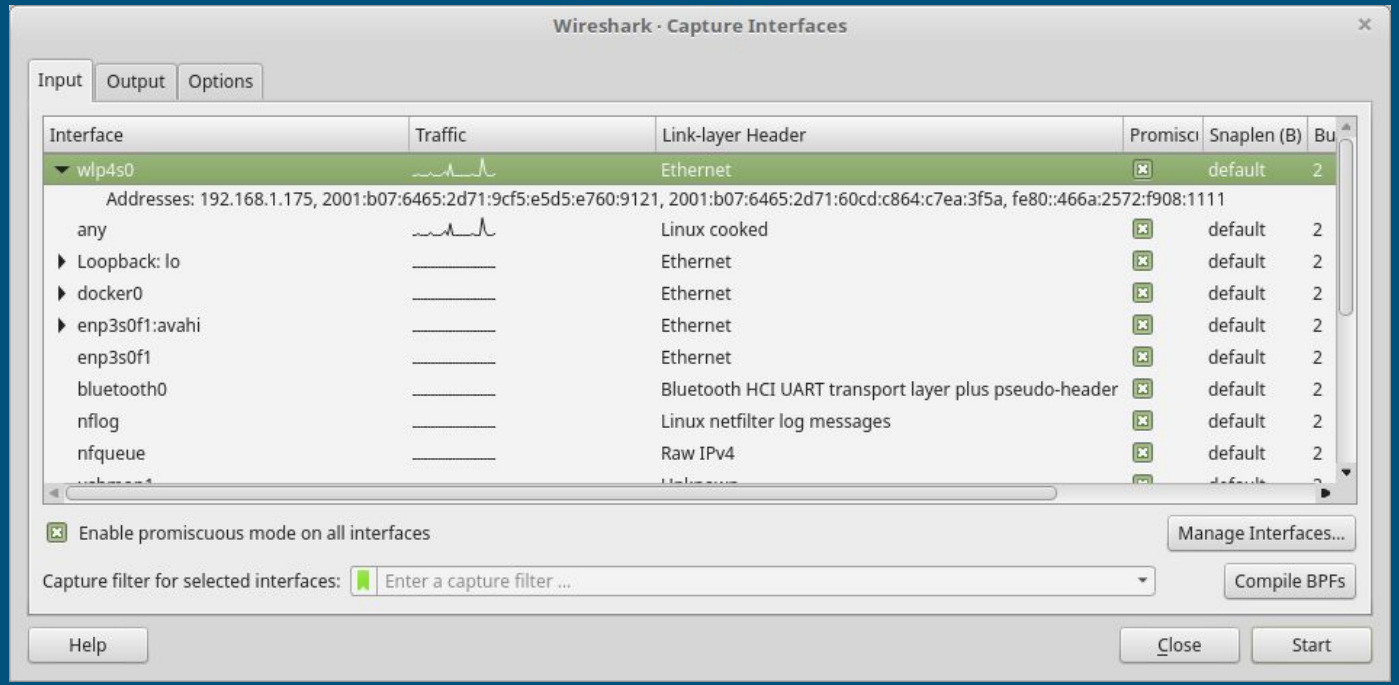
Capturing Live Network Data

Capturing live network data is one of the core components of wireshark

- Can capture from different network interfaces
- Triggers to stop capturing data (elapsed time, number of packets..)
- Live show of packet details
- Live filtering of packets
- Save packets
- Can simultaneously capture from different network interfaces

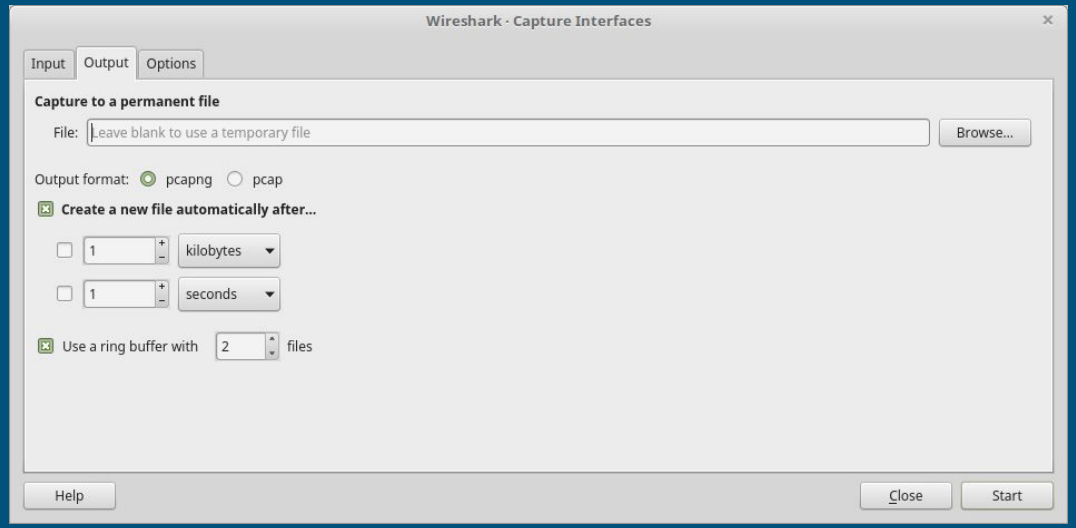
Start a new capture

Capture > Options...



Capture Options

It is possible to save a capture to a file (or multiple files). Consider using this feature if you plan to work with a heavily congested network or if you plan to perform a long-term capture



1. No filename → Temporary file
    - (wiresharkXXXX)
2. Filename → Fixed file
    - (overwritten every time)
3. Filename + auto → More files, every time a new one
    - (foo_00001_20100205110102.cap, _00001_20100205110337.cap, ...)
4. Filename + auto + ring buffer → Files get replaced from the beginning after buffer is full
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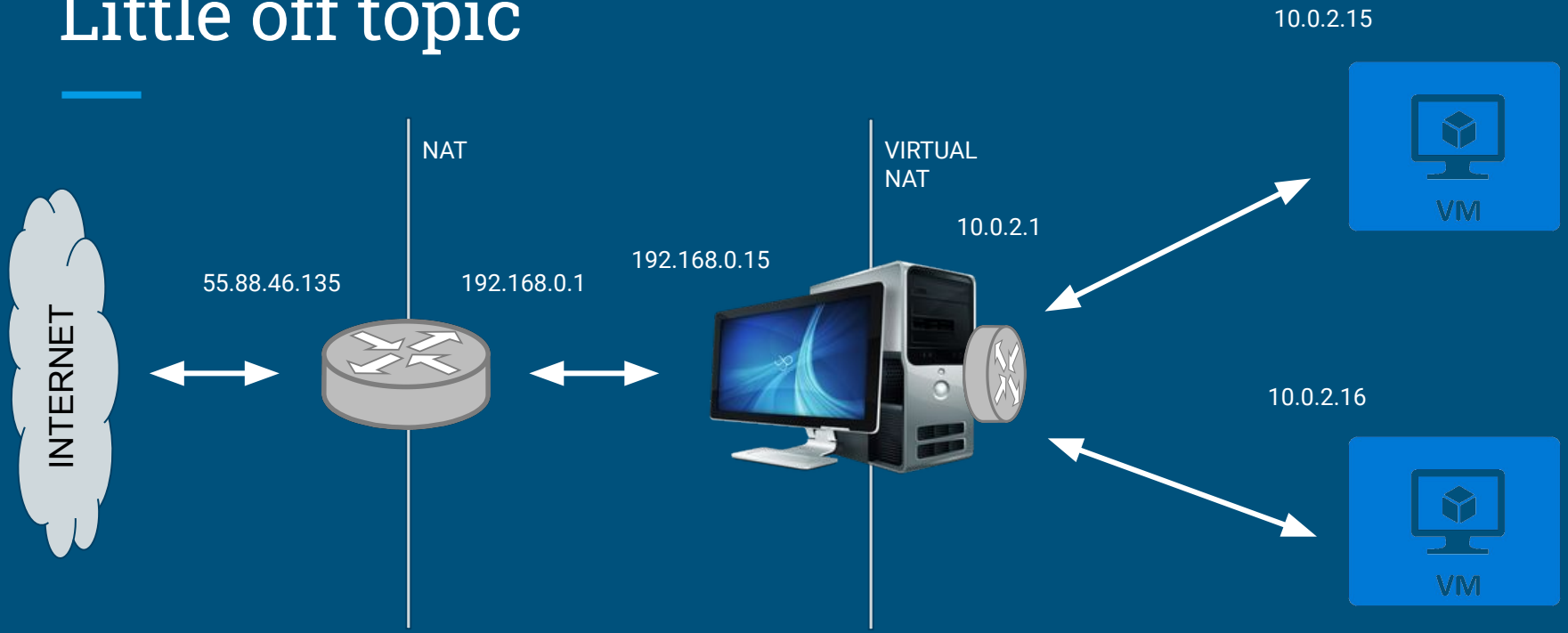
That’s good, however it is more difficult to see what the other hosts are doing, because our VM is cut out from the world.

3. Use several virtual machines connected to the same NAT Network!

Little off topic



You can take a look on how to do it quite easily with Virtual Box, check here:
https://www.dedoimedo.com/computers/virtualbox-nat-networks.html

Wireshark Filters

Wireshark empowers the user with powerful filtering expressions:

- Can filter based on the content of a packet
- Can filter based on the IP of a packet
- Can filter based on the protocol of a packet
- Many others...
- It supports comparison and boolean operators

- **Capture Filters**: set before capturing (much like IPTABLES)
- **Display Filters**: set while capturing (only a “visualization filter”)

Capture Filters

Wireshark uses the libpcap filter language. The general syntax is as follows:

```
[not] primitive [and|or [not] primitive...]
```

Example: `tcp port 23 and host 10.0.0.5`

Capture filters are different from Display filters (they use a different syntax)

`Primitives:`

- [src/dst] host <host>
- ether [src/dst] host <host>
- gateway host <host>
- [src|dst] net <net> [{mask <mask>}|{len <len>}]
- [tcp|udp] [src|dst] port <port>
- less|greater <length>
- ip|ether proto <protocol>
- ether|ip broadcast|multicast
- <expr> relop <expr>

More at
https://www.wireshark.org/docs/wsug_html_chunked/ChCapCaptureFilterSection.html

Display Filters - Comparison Operators

Operator	Description	Example
==	Equal	ip.src == 192.168.1.1
!=	Not equal	ip.src != 192.168.1.1
> < >= <=	Greater/Less than	frame.len > 10
contains	Field contains a value	sip.To contains “a1762”
matches	Field matches a regexp	http.host matches “acme\.(org|com|net)”
&	Bitwise AND	tcp.flags & 0x02

Display Filters - Combination Operators

Operator	Description	Example
and	Logical AND	ip.src == 192.168.1.1 and tcp.flags.fin
or	Logical OR	ip.src == 192.168.1.1 or tcp.flags.fin
not	Logical NOT	not llc
xor	Logical XOR	ip.dst == 10.0.6.29 xor ip.src == 10.0.6.29
[...]	Slice Operator (see next)	eth.src[0:3] == 00:00:83
in	Membership (see next)	tcp.port in {80 443 8080}

Display Filters - Slice Operator

Used to select subsequences of a sequence

Simply put brackets after a label:

- eth.src[0:3] == 00:00:83
- eth.src[1-2] == 00:83
- eth.src[:4] != 00:83:45:21
- eth.src[4:] != 00:83
- eth.src[4] != 00
- eth.src[0:3,1-2,:4,4:,2] == 00:00:83:00:83:00:00:83:00:20:20:83

: expects a length, - expects the end

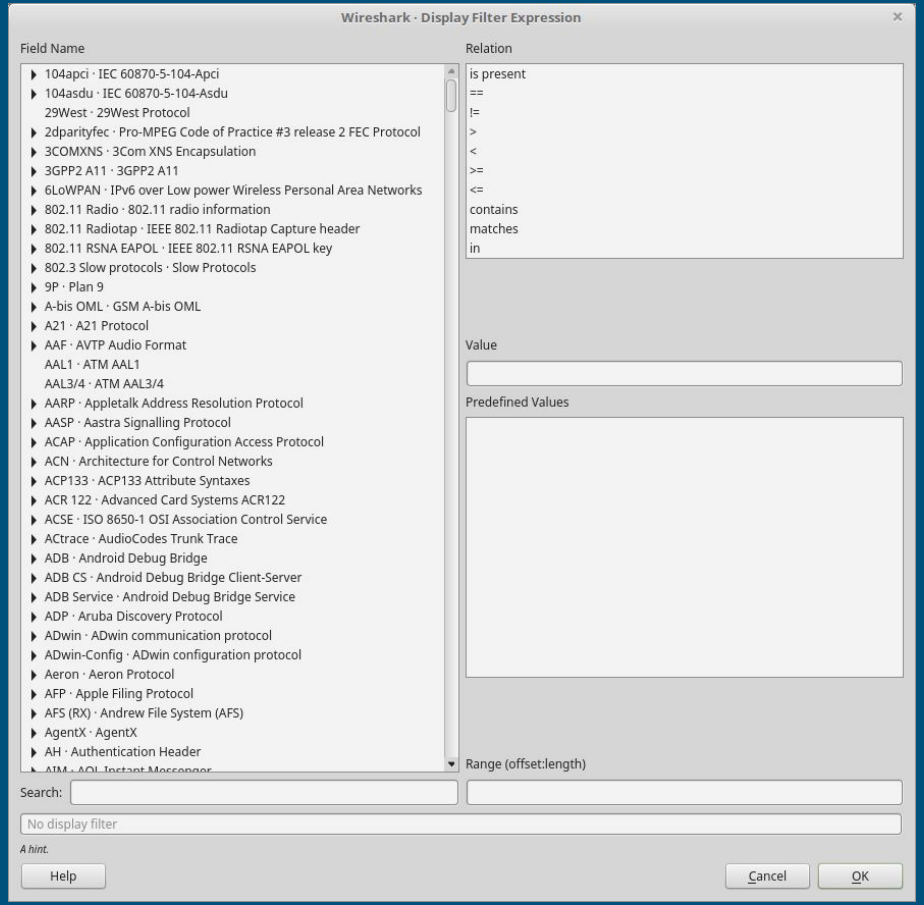
Display Filters - Membership Operator

Used to test a field against a set of values, simply use in after a label and put the set inside {}:

- tcp.port in {80 443 8080}
  - This is equal to tcp.port == 80 or tcp.port == 443 or tcp.port == 8080
- tcp.port in {443 4430..4434}
  - This is equal to tcp.port == 443 or (tcp.port >= 4430 and tcp.port <= 4434)
- http.request.method in {“HEAD” “GET”}
- ip.addr in {10.0.0.5 .. 10.0.0.9 192.168.1.1 .. 192.168.1.9}
- frame.time_delta in {10 .. 10.5}
- Wireshark also offers simple functions that can be helpful when dealing with packet content: upper/lower and len/count

More on Display Filters

- Once you get used to WireShark, you will use rarely the dialog box
- At the beginning, it is an valuable tool to learn about WireShark display strings
- It has a search function which makes easier to navigate through all the possible fields
- Also possible to define relations between fields and labels
- Finally, it is also possible to save filters for later use



Example on Capture Filters

`host 192.168.1.200` - Capture only packets coming from or going to host 192.168.1.200

`ether host 00:00:5e:00:53:00` - Get all packets with source or destination MAC address equal to 00:00:5e:00:53:00

`host google.it` - Get all the packets coming from or going to host www.google.it

`not broadcast and not multicast` - Do not capture packets which are either broadcast or multicast

Example on Display Filters

`tcp.port == 80` - Display all packets with the port equals to 80 (default HTTP)

`tcp.port == 80 or tcp.port == 443` - Display all packets with the port equals to 80 (default HTTP) or 443 (default HTTPS). Same as `tcp.port in { 80 443 }`

`tcp.dstport == 80 and (tcp.srcport > 60000 and tcp.srcport < 64000)` - Display all packets directed to port 80 coming from a port within 60000 and 64000

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- Display: `http.host www.iamnotasafesite.danger`

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- Capture: `src net 192.168.1.0/24`
- Display: `http.host contains ".danger" and frame contains "nowillstealallyourpersonalbelongings.html"`

Exercise 0

- Open Wireshark
- Start a capture on at least the network interface through which you are connected to the internet
  - you can try through capture filters to only get IPv4 packets
- Go to www.google.com
- Stop the capture
- How many packets you see?
- Are all of them originated by you?
- How to find the packets related to your last internet search?
  - filter “http” packets… do they help out?

Exercise 0 (cont'd)

- Open Wireshark

- Let's test the lower layer stuff
- Try to ping 8.8.8.8
  - Observe the ICMP packet, what's inside at layers 3 and 2…
- Try to ping something in your local network (e.g. your router).
  - Any ARP packets coming along? If not, why? What do they mean?
- Try to force DHCP to give you another address (usually dhclient on linux).
  - How is the negotiation taking place?

Exercise 1

We will carry out this exercise concerning ethernet

- We are at ISO/OSI Level 2
- We need the **ethernet--ethereal-trace-1** from the wireshark-traces.zip file
- We will also investigate ARP related messages

Exercise 1

- Network interfaces have a unique address, called MAC
- Part of it identify the manufacturer, the rest is a progressive counter
- Computer receive messages through their MAC
- Through a protocol (ARP) it is possible to uniquely identify a computer on a network
- ARP builds its table dynamically
- How many mac addresses? With a 48 bit addressing space, 281,474,976,710,656

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Open the **ethernet-ethereal-trace-1** file look into HTTP part

- What is the ethernet address of your computer?
- What is the ethernet address of the destination?
- Is it the MAC address of gaia.cs.umass.edu?
- What device has this as ist Ethernet address?
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- Does the ARP message contains the sender IP (if yes, what it is?)? Yes, 192.168.1.105
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