HackerFrogs Afterschool Digital Forensics: Wireshark

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Hey there HackerFrogs!

This is the fourth intro to Digital Forensics workshop.

In the previous workshop we learned about the following Digital Forensic concepts:



Network Traffic



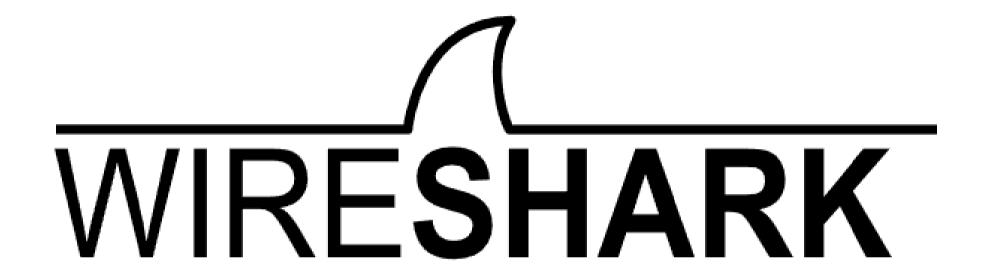
Any time a network device sends data from one device to another, network traffic is generated as network packets are sent back and forth

PCAP Files

| No. | Time | Source | Destinati | on Proto | col Lengt | Info | 1 - 150 - 50 | |
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| | 3893 74.0092 | 209782 192.168. | 0.5 198.35. | 26.96 TCP | 86 | [TCP Window | Update] 49426 → | 443 [ACK] |
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| | 3895 74.009 | 628076 192.168. | 0.5 198.35. | 26.96 TCP | 86 | [TCP Window | Update] 49426 → | 443 [ACK] |
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Files which contain a collection of network traffic are called packet capture (PCAP) files, and one specialty of digital forensics is the analysis of network traffic and PCAP files.

Wireshark



Wireshark is a program which is widely used for network traffic analysis, and we'll learn to use it to analyze PCAP files.

This Workshop's Topics

- Wireshark practice
- PicoCTF: Packets Primer
- PicoCTF: PcapPoisoning
- PicoCTF: Wirehshark doo dooo do doo...

PicoCTF: Packets Primer

Let's begin our Wireshark practice with an easy challenge:

https://play.picoctf.org/practice/challenge/286? category=4&page=1&search=pack

Manual Packet Inspection

| No. | Time | Source | Destination |
|-----|------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | 1 0.000000 | 10.0.2.15 | 10.0.2.4 |
| 2 | 2 0.000896 | 10.0.2.4 | 10.0.2.15 |
| 3 | 3 0.001006 | 10.0.2.15 | 10.0.2.4 |
| 4 | 4 0.001225 | 10.0.2.15 | 10.0.2.4 |
| L 5 | 5 0.002031 | 10.0.2.4 | 10.0.2.15 |
| 6 | 5 5.020406 | PCSSystemtec_93:ce: | PCSSystemtec_af:39: |
| 7 | 7 5.020454 | PCSSystemtec_af:39: | PCSSystemtec_93:ce: |
| 3 | 3 5.031936 | PCSSystemtec_af:39: | PCSSystemtec_93:ce: |
| Ş | 9 5.032822 | PCSSystemtec_93:ce: | PCSSystemtec_af:39: |

Since there are very few packets in this PCAP file, it's possible to manually inspect their contents

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This is very unusual for a PCAP file, since most PCAPs contain hundreds or thousands of packets

PicoCTF: PcapPoisoning

Let's use the Wireshark string search functions with the next challenge:

https://play.picoctf.org/practice/challenge/362? category=4&page=1&search=pcap

Find Function: Strings



One important feature of Wireshark (especially for CTF challenges) is the ability to search for strings in packet contents

Find Function: Strings

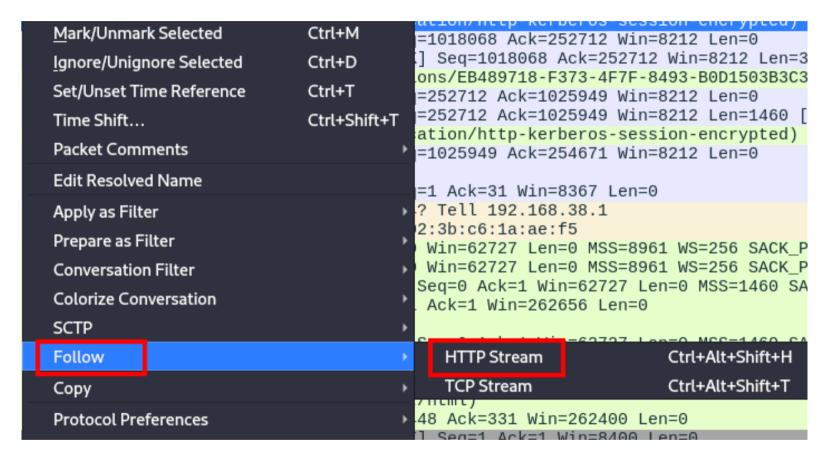


Make sure to search for "Packet bytes" and "Strings" before submitting the search term

PicoCTF: Wireshark doo dooo do doo...

Let's learn more about the stream follow function with this challenge:

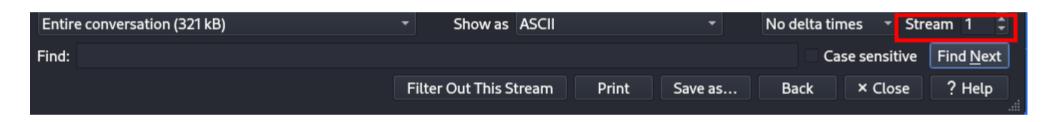
https://play.picoctf.org/practice/challenge/115? category=4&page=1&search=wire



A useful function for following packets sent between two servers is the "follow conversation" function

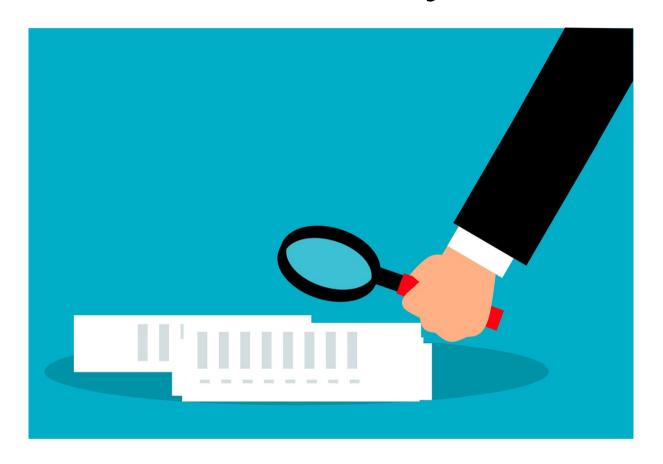
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Wireshark · Follow HTTP Stream (tcp.stream eq 0) · shark1.pcapnq
POST /wsman/subscriptions/EB489718-F373-4F7F-8493-B0D1503B3C3E/37 HTTP/1.1
Connection: Keep-Alive
Content-Type: multipart/encrypted;protocol="application/HTTP-Kerberos-sessi
d Boundary"
Content-Encoding: SLDC
User-Agent: Microsoft WinRM Client
Content-Length: 10990
Host: wef.windomain.local:5985
HTTP/1.1 200
Content-Type: multipart/encrypted;protocol="application/HTTP-Kerberos-sessi
d Boundary"
Server: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
Date: Mon, 10 Aug 2020 01:51:40 GMT
Content-Length: 1732
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In this window, you will see the data sent between the two servers, but if the data is encrypted, you will not be able to read it



To switch between different conversation streams, click on the arrow keys in the bottom-right corner of the window

Summary



Let's review the digital forensics concepts we learned in this workshop:

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If there are very few packets in a PCAP, it's possible to manually inspect them without too much trouble

Find Function: Strings



The Find function can let us return packets that only contain specified strings

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The "stream follow" function can be used to see all data sent between two servers in an easy-to-read format

What's Next?

In the next digital forensics workshop, we'll learn about a new topic, digital disk image forensics with PicoCTF!



Extra Credit

Looking for more study material on this workshop's topics?

See this video's description for links to supplemental documents and exercises!



Until Next Time, HackerFrogs!

