

Task 5. Capture and Analyze Network Traffic Using Wireshark.

1. Install Wireshark

- Download from: <https://www.wireshark.org/>
 - Follow the installation instructions.
 - Allow installation of **WinPcap/Npcap** (needed for packet capture).
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2. Start Capturing Traffic

- Open Wireshark.
 - Choose your **active network interface** (usually Wi-Fi or Ethernet).
 - Click the **blue shark fin icon** (or double-click the interface) to start capture.
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3. Generate Network Traffic

While Wireshark is capturing:

- Open a web browser and visit a few websites (e.g., <https://example.com>).
- Open a terminal/command prompt and type:- `ping google.com`
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4. Stop Capture

- After 1 minute, click the **red square stop button**.
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5. Filter by Protocol

- Use the **Display Filter bar** to filter specific protocols:
 - `http` – for web traffic
 - `dns` – for domain lookups
 - `tcp` – for general transport layer data
 - `icmp` – for ping requests
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6. Identify At Least 3 Protocols

Look at the “Protocol” column and identify any 3 distinct ones. Common ones include:

- HTTP

- TCP
 - DNS
 - ICMP
 - TLS
 - ARP
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7. Export as .pcap

- Go to File > Save As
 - Save your capture with a name like: `internship_capture.pcap`
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8. Summarize Your Findings

Here's a **sample summary** format:

Summary of Packet Capture

Capture Duration: 1 minute

Network Interface: Wi-Fi

File Name: `internship_capture.pcap`

Identified Protocols:

1. HTTP

- Used for communication between browser and websites.
- Example: GET request to `example.com`

2. DNS

- Resolves domain names to IP addresses.
- Example: DNS query for `google.com`

3. TCP

- Underlying transport protocol for HTTP and other services.
- Example: TCP handshake between local machine and `142.250.64.110`

Interesting Packet Details:

Protocol	Source IP	Destination IP	Info
DNS	192.168.1.5	8.8.8.8	Standard query A google.com
HTTP	192.168.1.5	93.184.216.34	GET /index.html

Protocol	Source IP	Destination IP	Info
TCP	192.168.1.5	142.250.64.110	TCP SYN, ACK handshake