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ATTEMPT ANY 5 questions

Q1. Study the following Wireshark outputs (Figure1 and Figure2) carefully and answer the following:

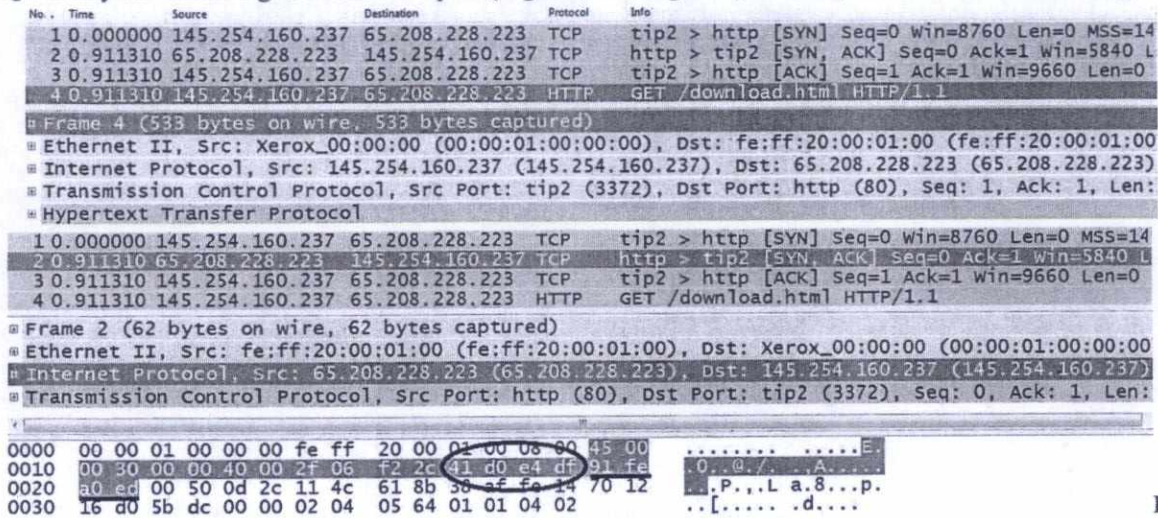


Figure 1

Figure 2

- What is happening in the Frame 1 through Frame 3 (ref Figure 1)?
- What was user trying to access while these packets were captured (ref Figure 1)?
- In Frame 4 what is the significance of **fe:ff:20:00:01:00** address (ref Figure 1)?
- In Frame 4 what are the values associated with TCP flags (ref Figure 1)?
- In the Hex Dump pane what does highlighted bytes **41 d0 e4 df** and **91 fe a0 ed** represent (ref Figure 2).

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- Q2.**
- Both `system()` and `execve()` can be used to execute external programs. Why is `system()` unsafe while `execve()` is safe?
 - The followings are two different ways to print out environment variables. Please describe their differences:
`$ /usr/bin/env`
`$ /usr/bin/strings /proc/$$/environ`
 - For the Shellshock vulnerability to be exploitable, two conditions need to be satisfied. What are these two conditions, explain?

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Q3.

a) A program `abc` invokes an external program `xyz` using `system()`, which is affected by the `PATH` environment variable. When we invoke `abc` from a shell prompt, how does the shell variable `PATH` in the current shell end up affecting the behavior of the `system()` function?

b) We run "`nc -l 7070`" on Machine 1 (IP address is 10.0.2.6), and we then type the following command on Machine 2. Describe what is going to happen?

`$ /bin/cat < /dev/tcp/10.0.2.6/7070 >&0`

(4, 5)

Q4.

a) The following function is called in a privileged program. The argument `str` points to a string that is entirely provided by users (the size of the string is up to 300 bytes). When this function is invoked, the address of the buffer array is `0xAABB0010`, while the return address is stored in `0xAABB0050`. Please write down the string that you would feed into the program, so when this string is copied to buffer and when the `bof()` function returns, the privileged program will run your code. In your answer, you don't need to write down the injected code, but the offsets of the key elements in your string need to be correct.

```
int bof(char *str)
{ char buffer[24];
strcpy(buffer, str);
return 1;}
```

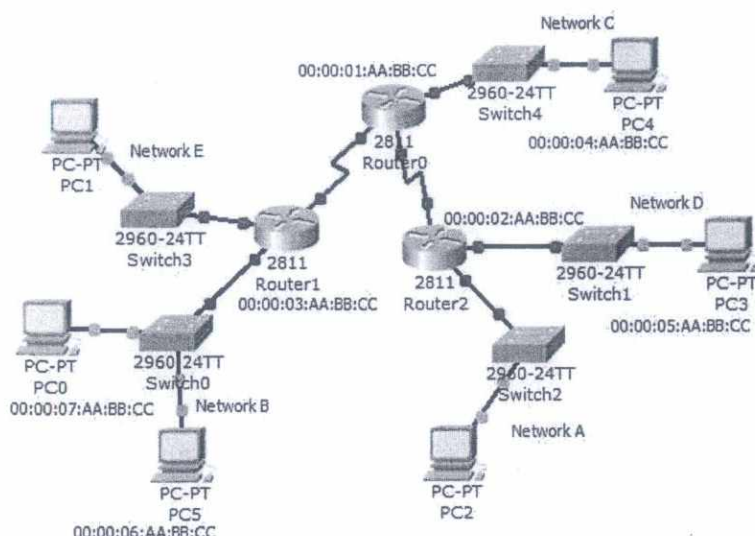
b) In which memory segments are the variables in the following code located? Draw Stack & show variable locations in these segments:

Stack:
Heap:
Data Segment:
BSS Segment:

```
int i = 0;
void func(char *str){
char *ptr = malloc(sizeof(int));
char buf[1024];
int j;
static int y;}
```

(5, 4)

Q5.



a) Give details in form of a table for the following scenarios.

Scenario 1: PC4 wishes to poison PC3
Scenario 2: PC0 wishes to poison PC5

Give initial arp -a details and list results after poisoning.

b) Trace layered journey starting from Application layer, where FQDN is specified (PC0 wants to access webservers hosted on PC4).

PC0 IP is: 172.31.2.6

PC4 IP is: 210.10.10.5

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Q6.

- Study the output generated by "nslookup" program {given on the right-hand side} while user was connected to the Internet, Give technical comments on the highlighted parts. Emphasis should be on DNS-poisoning concept.
- Following details were reported to the IT support cell at TIET: Dr. Singh was not able to communicate with Dr. Kumar, both machines were configured using DHCP server and both of these gentlemen were residing side by side in campus. Dr. Singh was connected to the network with SSID (TU) and Dr. Kumar with SSID (TU1). Dr. Kumar even complained that his machine is not able to access Internet. IP address details are given below: figure out the issues with both the machine and give detail explanation to sort out this problem.

Dr. Singh's Machine

Wireless LAN adapter Wi-Fi:
Physical Address: 00-27-10-4F-FB-E8
IPv4 Address: 192.168.1.36
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.224
Default Gateway: 192.168.1.62
DNS Servers: 8.8.8.8

Dr. Kumar's Machine

Wireless LAN adapter Wi-Fi:
Physical Address: 00-27-10-4F-FB-E9
IPv4 Address: 192.168.1.65
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.224
Default Gateway: 192.168.1.62
DNS Servers: 8.8.8.8

Default Server: public-dns.com
Address: 8.8.8.8

> www.thapar.edu
Server: public-dns.com
Address: 8.8.8.8

Non-authoritative answer:
Name: www.thapar.edu
Addresses: 14.139.242.100
220.227.15.49

> server ns1.thapar.edu
Default Server: ns1.thapar.edu
Address: 64.68.192.210

> www.thapar.edu
Server: ns1.thapar.edu
Address: 64.68.192.210

Name: www.thapar.edu
Addresses: 14.139.100.100
220.227.14.49

(4, 5)

Q7.

- Does a SYN flooding attack cause the victim server to freeze? (Explanation is required, single line y/n will not get credit)
- In the SYN flooding attack, why do we randomize the source IP address? Why cannot we just use the same IP address?
- Can we launch a SYN flooding attack from a computer without using the root privilege?
- What will happen if the spoofed source IP address in a SYN flooding attack does belong to a machine that is currently running?
- Why do we choose to fill up the memory used for half-open connections, why cannot we directly target the memory used for holding full connections? The latter requires more memory, so the resource is much easier to exhaust.

(1, 4x2)