8.6. Use Tshark to Export Specific Field Values and Statistics from a Trace File

Sometimes you may want to get a general feel for the traffic with or without capturing the traffic. This is where Tshark is the only command-line tool to use.

Run **tshark** -h to view the available options. Field export options and export statistics are listed under the Output area.

Export Field Values

You must use -T fields first. Then you can list the fields you are interested in after the -e parameter. You can combine these parameters with display filters as needed. For example, in Figure 136 we typed tshark -i3 -f "dst port 80 and host 192.168.44.7" -T fields -e frame.number -e ip.src -e ip.dst -e tcp.window_size to capture traffic to/from 192.168.44.7 to destination port 80 on interface 3 and display the frame number, source and destination IP addresses, and TCP window size value.

You will need to manually stop the capture process using **Ctrl+C**. If you can't manually stop the process, consider adding a stop condition to your Tshark command.

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D:\Traces101>tshark -13 -f "dst port 80 and host 192.168.				4./" -1	fields	
-e frame.number -e ip.src -e ip.dst -e tcp.window_size						
Captur1	ng on 'W1-F1'					
1	192.168.44.7	68.71.212.186	63620			
2	192.168.44.7	23.59.197.231	261			
3	192.168.44.7	23.216. 1 1.9	251			
4	192.168.44.7	23.216.11.9	256			
5	192.168.44.7	68.71.222.248	63397			
6	192.168.44.7	64.233.177.156	256			
7	192.168.44.7	23.61.194.170	256			
8	192.168.44.7	23.61.194.170	256			
9	192.168.44.7	23.61.194.170	256			
10	192.168.44.7	23.61.194.170	256			
11	192.168.44.7	23.61.194.170	256			
12	192.168.44.7	23.61.194.170	256			
13	192.168.44.7	23.216.11.9	796			
14	192.168.44.7	23.216.11.9	796			
15	192.168.44.7	23.216.10.218	254			
16	192.168.44.7	23.216.10.218	254			
17	192.168.44.7	23.61.194.243	256			
18	192,168.44.7	23 6.11-9	256			\mathcal{A}

Figure 136. You will need to manually stop the capture process

Use the -E parameter to add options to make the exported information easier to read. For example, add -E header=y to add a field header.

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