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# **pcap-analysis Documentation**

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Analyze packet capture format (.pcap or .pcapng) files.



# CHAPTER 1

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## About

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### 1.1 Contributors

- Tyler N. Thieding (Primary Author)

### 1.2 Development

**Repository** <https://gitlab.com/TNThieding/pcap-analysis/>

### 1.3 License

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# CHAPTER 2

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## API Reference

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- *Classes*
  - *PacketAnalyzer*
- *Analyzers*
  - *ARP*
  - *BOOTP*
  - *DHCP*
  - *ICMP*

Analyze packet capture format (pcap) files.

## 2.1 Classes

### 2.1.1 PacketAnalyzer

```
class pcap_analysis.PacketAnalyzer(pcap_file)
    Packet analyzer interface.
```

**Parameters** **pcap\_file** (*str*) – path to packet capture file (i.e., *pcap* or ‘*pcapng*’)

**arp**

Address resolution protocol (ARP) analyzer accessor.

**bootp**

Bootstrap protocol (BOOTP) analyzer accessor.

**dhcp**

Dynamic host configuration protocol (DHCP) analyzer accessor.

## icmp

Internet control message protocol (ICMP) analyzer accessor.

## 2.2 Analyzers

Access analyzer class instances through the `PacketAnalyzer` class. They should not be instantiated directly and used standalone!

### 2.2.1 ARP

#### `class pcap_analysis._analyzers.arp.Arp`

Address resolution protocol (ARP) analyzer.

##### `did_device_arp_for(mac_address, target_ip)`

Check if the specified device ARPed for the specified target IP address.

###### Parameters

- `mac_address (str)` – device MAC address
- `target_ip (str)` – target IP address

**Returns** device sent ARP packet(s)

**Return type** bool

##### `did_device_receive_response(mac_address, target_ip)`

Check if the specified device received an ARP reply from the specified target IP address.

If the device received a response, the IP and MAC address are included in the ARP table accessible with the `get_arp_table` method.

###### Parameters

- `mac_address (str)` – device MAC address
- `target_ip (str)` – target IP address

**Returns** device received ARP reply

**Return type** bool

##### `get_arp_table(mac_address, include_gratuitous=True)`

Generate a hypothetical ARP table based on network traffic.

###### Parameters

- `mac_address (str)` – device MAC address
- `include_gratuitous (bool)` – include gratuitous ARP entries

**Returns** generated ARP table

**Return type** dict

**Raises** `ValueError` – specified MAC address not observed in network traffic

##### `get_gratuitous_arp_ips(mac_address)`

Get set of IP address(es) announced via gratuitous ARP for the specified device.

**Parameters** `mac_address (str)` – device MAC address

**Returns** announced IP addresses

**Return type** set of str

**Raises ValueError** – no gratuitous ARP packets sent from specified MAC address

**get\_probed\_ips** (*mac\_address*)

Get set of IP address(es) probed by the specified device.

**Parameters** **mac\_address** (*str*) – device MAC address

**Returns** probed IP addresses

**Return type** set of str

**Raises ValueError** – no probe ARP packets sent from specified MAC address

## 2.2.2 BOOTP

**class** `pcap_analysis._analyzers.bootp.Bootp`

Bootstrap protocol (BOOTP) analyzer.

**did\_client\_make\_request** (*mac\_address*)

Check if a device requested an IP address using BOOTP.

**Parameters** **mac\_address** (*str*) – client device MAC address

**Returns** client made BOOTP request

**Return type** bool

**did\_client\_receive\_ip\_address** (*mac\_address*)

Check if a device received an IP address using BOOTP.

**Parameters** **mac\_address** (*str*) – client device MAC address

**Returns** client received IP address

**Return type** bool

**get\_received\_ip\_address** (*mac\_address*)

Get IP address assigned to device via BOOTP.

**Parameters** **mac\_address** (*str*) – client device MAC address

**Returns** assigned IP address

**Return type** str

**Raises ValueError** – no IP address assigned to specified MAC address

## 2.2.3 DHCP

**class** `pcap_analysis._analyzers.dhcp.Dhcp`

Dynamic host configuration protocol (DHCP) analyzer.

**did\_client\_make\_request** (*mac\_address*)

Check if a device requested an IP address using DHCP.

**Parameters** **mac\_address** (*str*) – client device MAC address

**Returns** client made DHCP request

**Return type** bool

**did\_client\_receive\_ip\_address** (*mac\_address*)

Check if a device received an IP address using DHCP.

**Parameters** **mac\_address** (*str*) – client device MAC address

**Returns** client received IP address

**Return type** bool

**get\_received\_ip\_address** (*mac\_address*)

Get IP address assigned to device via DHCP.

**Parameters** **mac\_address** (*str*) – client device MAC address

**Returns** assigned IP address

**Return type** str

**Raises** **ValueError** – no IP address assigned to specified MAC address

## 2.2.4 ICMP

**class** pcap\_analysis.\_analyzers.icmp.Icmp

Internet control message protocol (ICMP) analyzer.

**did\_device\_ping** (*source\_host\_ip*, *target\_host\_ip*)

Check if the specified source device pinged the specified target IP address.

**Parameters**

- **source\_host\_ip** (*str*) – source IP address
- **target\_host\_ip** (*str*) – target IP address

**Returns** device pined specified target

**Return type** bool

**get\_mean\_rtt** (*source\_host\_ip*, *target\_host\_ip*)

Calculate average round-trip time for the specified source and target hosts.

**Parameters**

- **source\_host\_ip** (*str*) – source IP address
- **target\_host\_ip** (*str*) – target IP address

**Returns** average round-trip time

**Return type** float

**get\_ping\_count** (*source\_host\_ip*, *target\_host\_ip*)

Count ping requests from source host to target host that received a response.

**Parameters**

- **source\_host\_ip** (*str*) – source IP address
- **target\_host\_ip** (*str*) – target IP address

**Returns** number of ping requests with a corresponding response

**Return type** int

# CHAPTER 3

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## Installation

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### 3.1 Requirements

- Python 2.7 or 3.5+
- Wireshark

### 3.2 Installation Steps

Install pcap-analysis from the command line using pip:

```
pip install pcap-analysis
```



# CHAPTER 4

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## Release Notes

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### **4.1 [0.1.1] Fix analyzer class internal attribute logic. (2020-06-29)**

Previously, analyzer classes attached internal-use attributes to the class itself. Now, these attributes are instance attributes as expected.

### **4.2 [0.1.0] Initial beta release. (2020-06-28)**

Release initial beta version of *pcap-analysis* package with analyzers for the following protocols:

- ARP
- BOOTP
- DHCP
- ICMP (Pings Only)



# CHAPTER 5

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## Known Limitations

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This package contains the following known limitations:

- None



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## Usage

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**Under construction! Coming soon...**



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