

JBL Labs Ch 12 and 13

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Chapter 12 Configuring a pfSense Firewall on the Server.

Section 1

The image shows two screenshots of the pfSense web interface. The top screenshot displays the 'Firewall / Virtual IPs' configuration page. A green notification banner at the top states 'The changes have been applied successfully.' Below this, a table lists the configured Virtual IP addresses:

Virtual IP Address	Interface	Type	Description	Actions
10.20.1.3/32 (hid: 1)	WAN	CARP	WAN VIP for 172.30.0.10	[Edit] [Delete] [Add]

The bottom screenshot shows the 'Firewall / NAT / 1:1' configuration page. A green notification banner at the top states 'The changes have been applied successfully. Monitor the filter reload progress.' Below this, a table lists the configured NAT 1:1 mappings:

Interface	External IP	Internal IP	Destination IP	Description	Actions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WAN	10.20.1.3	172.30.0.10	*	NAT 10.20.1.3 to 172.30.0.10

Both screenshots include a sidebar with a 'LAB GUIDE' and a 'Part 1: Configure Network Address Translation' section. The bottom screenshot also includes a 'NAT Mappings form' section with instructions for configuring NAT 1:1 mappings.

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- Repeat steps 2-4 to add permit rules for the following protocols:
 - Recall that the order of firewall rules is important. When adding a new rule, select the Add button with the down arrow to add the rule after any existing rules.
 - HTTPS (Secure Web)
 - DNS (Domain Name Service)
 - SMTP (Mail)
- On the Firewall / Rules / WAN page, click the **Apply Changes** button to activate all new rules in the pfSense firewall.
- Make a screen capture showing the completed WAN Rules table and paste it into your Lab Report file.
- On your local computer, save the updated spreadsheet as `yourname_PFSense-FW-PLANNER-NAT.xls`, replacing yourname with your own name.

Note: This completes Section 1 of this lab. Submit the `yourname_PFSense-FW-PLANNER-NAT.xls` file you just updated as part of your deliverables.

Firewall / Rules / WAN

The settings have been applied. The firewall rules are now reloading in the background. Monitor the reload progress.

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Rules (Drag to Change Order)

States	Protocol	Source	Port	Destination	Port	Gateway	Queue	Schedule	Description	Actions
✗ 0/0 B	*	Reserved Not assigned by IANA	*	*	*	*	*	*	Block bogon networks	⚙️
<input type="checkbox"/>	✓ 0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	25 (SMTP)	*	none		Permit Access to Web Server	⚙️ ⏏️ ⌵ ⌶
<input type="checkbox"/>	✓ 0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	53 (DNS)	*	none		Permit Access to Web Server	⚙️ ⏏️ ⌵ ⌶
<input type="checkbox"/>	✓ 0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	443 (HTTPS)	*	none		Permit Access to Web Server	⚙️ ⏏️ ⌵ ⌶
<input type="checkbox"/>	✓ 0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	80 (HTTP)	*	none		Permit Access to Web Server	⚙️ ⏏️ ⌵ ⌶

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Part 1: Configure Network Address Translation

IPs.

The first step in binding an IP address is to create the Common Address Redundancy Protocol (CARP) virtual address to attach a public address to the WAN interface.

- On the Firewall / Virtual IPs page, add a new virtual IP address to the firewall.
- Use the following information to complete the **Edit Virtual IP** form, then **Save** and **Apply Changes**.
 - Unless specified in the following list, accept the default value in the form.
 - Type: CARP
 - Interface: WAN
 - Address(es): 10.20.1.3
 - Virtual IP Password: password
 - Description: WAN VIP for the 172.30.0.10 Network
- Make a screen capture showing the Virtual IP Address table and paste it into your Lab Report file.
- From the pfSense menu bar, select **Firewall > NAT**, then click the **1:1** tab to configure the NAT mapping.

Firewall / Virtual IPs

The changes have been applied successfully.

Virtual IP Address

Virtual IP address	Interface	Type	Description	Actions
10.20.1.3/32 (vhid: 1)	WAN	CARP	WAN VIP for the 172.30.0.10 Network	⚙️ ⏏️

Would you like to store your password for 172.30.0.1? [More info](#)

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Part 1: Configure Network Address Translation

- Description: WAN VIP for the 172.30.0.10 Network

7. Make a screen capture showing the Virtual IP Address table and paste it into your Lab Report file.

8. From the pfSense menu bar, select Firewall > NAT, then click the 1:1 tab to configure the NAT mapping.

9. On the NAT Mappings page, select Add to bind the new WAN IP address to the internal network.

10. Use the following information to complete the Edit NAT 1:1 Entry form, then Save and Apply Changes.

Unless specified in the following list, accept the default value in the form.

- External subnet: 10.20.1.3
- Internal IP Type: Single host
- Internal IP Address: 172.30.0.10
- Description: NAT 10.20.1.3 to 172.30.0.10

11. Make a screen capture showing the NAT Mappings table and paste it into your Lab Report file.

Firewall / NAT / 1:1

The changes have been applied successfully. Monitor the filter reload progress.

Port Forward 1:1 Outbound NPT

	Interface	External IP	Internal IP	Destination IP	Description	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	WAN	10.20.1.3	172.30.0.10	*	NAT 10.20.1.3 to 172.30.0.10	

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Notice there are no rules on the WAN tab. The note on the WAN tab reminds you that "All incoming connections on this interface will be blocked until pass rules are added." That's exactly what you'll do in the next steps.

2. Add new WAN rules to allow incoming connections to 172.30.0.10 for the following services, then apply the changes.

- HTTP (Web Browsing)
- HTTPS (Secure Web)
- DNS (Domain Name Service)
- SMTP (Mail)

Note: The first rule can be interpreted as "Permit TCP traffic from any source, on any port, destined for 172.30.0.10 on port 80 (HTTP)". However, clients on the public side will not try to access 172.30.0.10; they will use 10.20.1.3. The combination of NAT and the firewall rule you just configured enables external clients to reach the internal resource using an external IP. The NAT process is how organizations expose internal servers to the Internet.

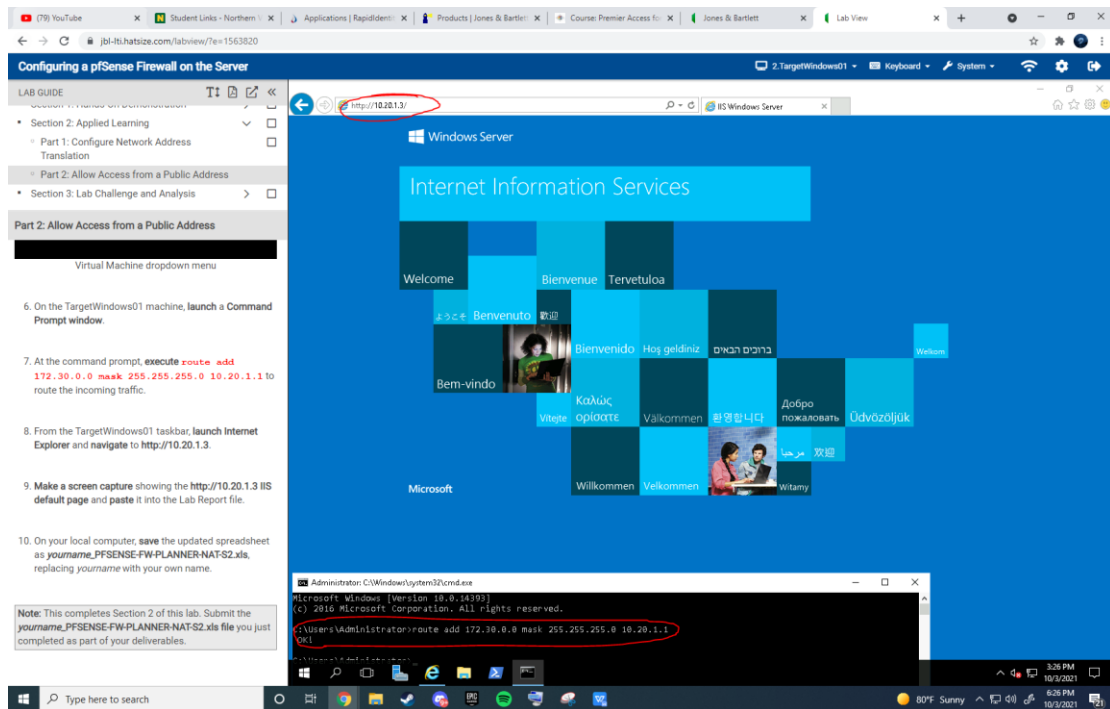
3. Make a screen capture showing the completed WAN Rules table and paste it into your Lab Report file.

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	States	Protocol	Source	Port	Destination	Port	Gateway	Queue	Schedule	Description	Actions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0/0 B	*	Reserved	*	*	*	*	*	*	Block bogon networks	
Not assigned by IANA											
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	80 (HTTP)	*	none		Allow incoming connections	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	443 (HTTPS)	*	none		Allow incoming connections	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	53 (DNS)	*	none		Allow incoming connections	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0/0 B	IPv4 TCP	*	172.30.0.10	465 (SMTP/S)	*	none		Allow incoming connections	

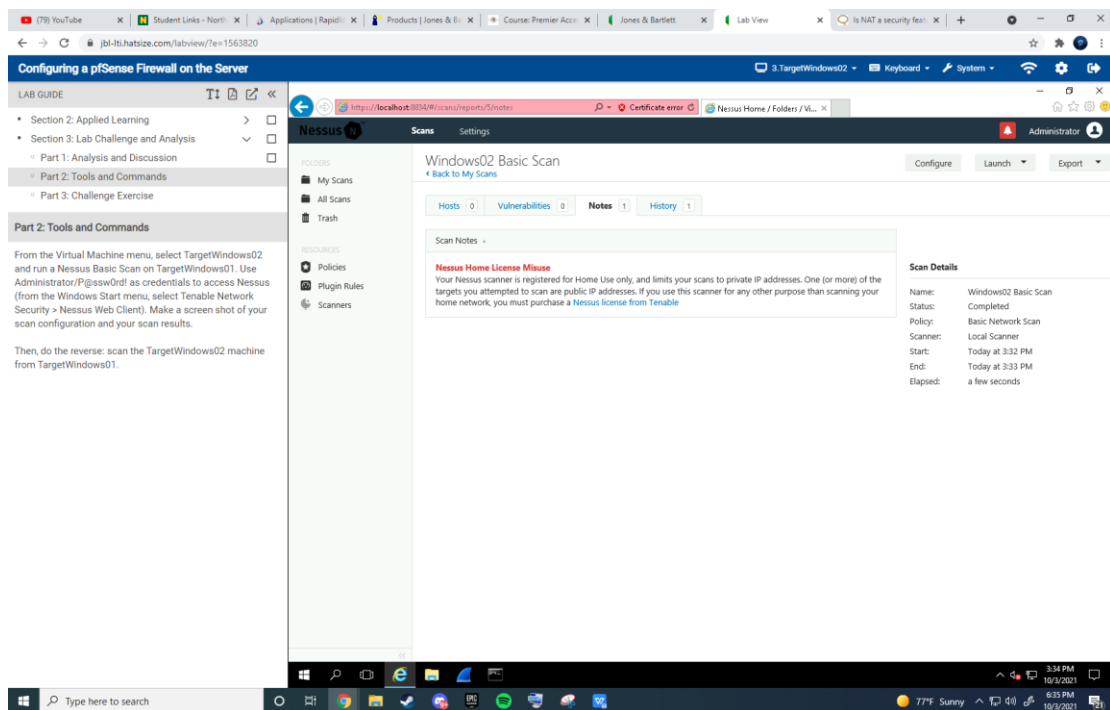


Sections 3:

1. Security through obscurity is enforcing secrecy and confidentiality of a system's architecture. NAT is not truly secure, if a user were to do any web based work that require the IP address can have problems. Basic NAT provides no security.

<https://blog.ipspace.net/2011/12/is-nat-security-feature.html#:~:text=Summary%3A%20Basic%20NAT%20provides%20no%20security.>

2. Nessus Scan



Chapter 13 Configuring a VPN for Secure File Transfers

Section 1

The screenshot shows the Windows Settings application for configuring a VPN connection. The window title is "Configuring a VPN Client for Secure File Transfers" with a 2-hour remaining timer. On the left, a "LAB GUIDE" sidebar lists steps for configuring a Windows VPN client. The main area shows the "Settings" window for a connection named "Michael IPsec".

Connection properties

- Connection name: Michael IPsec
- Server name or address: 10.20.1.1
- Type of sign-in info: User name and password
- User name (optional): smith
- Password (optional): [masked]

VPN proxy settings

These settings will apply only to this VPN connection.

Automatic configuration

Automatic settings might override ones you enter yourself. To use the settings you enter manually, turn off the automatic settings.

- Automatically detect settings: Off
- Use setup script: Off
- Script address: [empty]

This screenshot shows a Windows desktop environment during the VPN configuration process. A "Certificate" dialog box is open, displaying "Certificate Information" for a CA root certificate. Below it, a Command Prompt window shows the execution of a route command and a ping test.

Command Prompt Output:

```
C:\Users\Administrator>route add 10.20.1.0 mask 255.255.255.0 172.30.0.1 OK!

C:\Users\Administrator>ping 10.20.1.1

Pinging 10.20.1.1 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 10.20.1.1: bytes=32 time=ms TTL=64
Reply from 10.20.1.1: bytes=32 time=ms TTL=64
Reply from 10.20.1.1: bytes=32 time=ms TTL=64
Reply from 10.20.1.1: bytes=32 time=ms TTL=64

Ping statistics for 10.20.1.1:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 0ms, Average = 0ms

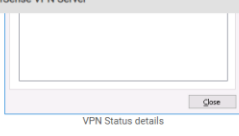
C:\Users\Administrator>
```

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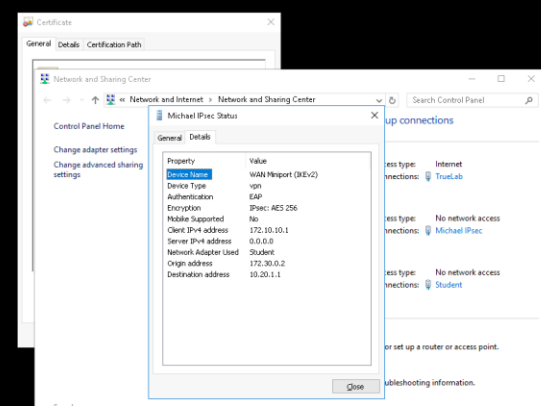


66. Make a screen capture showing the VPN Status details and paste it into your Lab Report file.

Note: You have successfully made a connection to the IPsec server using the split tunnel you configured. In a split tunnel configuration, clients keep local traffic on their own network, but route any IPsec traffic through the VPN tunnel. This configuration is optimal for performance, but less secure than specifying a network address.

In the next steps, you will remove the split tunnel configuration from your IPsec VPN adapter, effectively forcing all traffic through the IPsec tunnel, making the connection slower, but more secure.

67. Click **Close** to close the Status dialog box.



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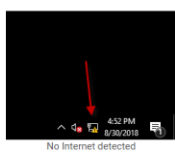
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69. Click **OK** in the remaining dialog boxes to return to the Network Connections window.

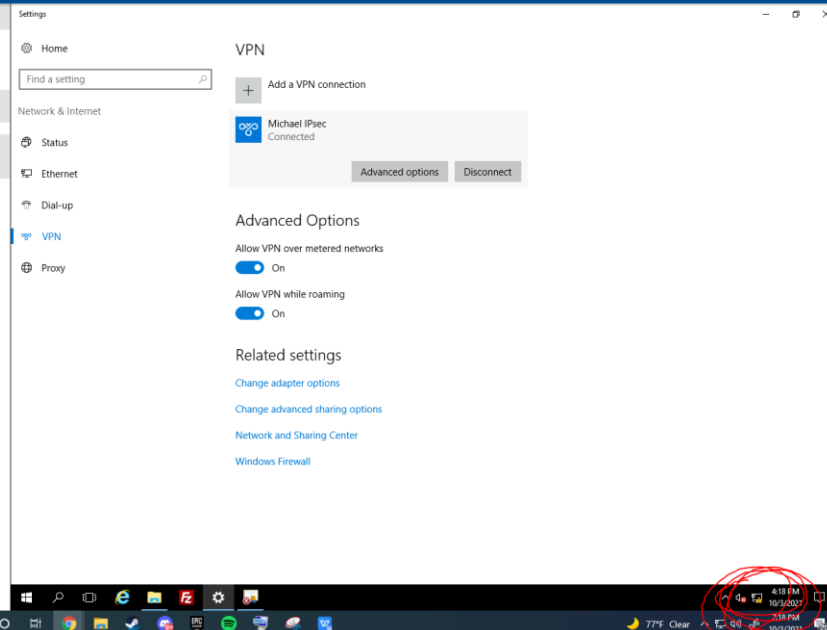
81. Close the Network Connections window.

82. Restore the Settings window, then click **Connect** under the youname IPsec connection to re-connect the VPN.

Notice the network icon in the lower right corner of the taskbar has a caution symbol. This symbol indicates that the system has detected no Internet connection because all traffic is now being routed through the IPsec tunnel.



83. Close the Network Settings window.



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password is correct, which makes it a bit more difficult for a hacker to identify, but hackers often have already obtained account information before ever attempting to crack the password.

11. In the frame summary pane, click frame 49.

Frames 49-55 again begin with the server in a ready state, and continue with 172.30.0.2 attempting to sign in to the server. In this set of frames, the user name `student` is paired with the password `ISS316Security`, which is accepted in frame 55.

12. Make a screen capture showing the frame that carries the correct password and paste it into the Lab Report file.

Note: In the next steps, you will analyze how a file transferred using FTP appears in Wireshark.

13. In the frame summary pane, click frame 61.

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the last line.

Note: The last line of the frame details pane, FTP Data, displays the transferred file name (`/etc/ipsec.conf`) and the first part of that file's contents. The hex data pane displays the contents of the file in clear text on the right side of the pane and the corresponding hexadecimal (base 16) code on the left side.

28. In the frame summary pane, click frame 69.

The FTP Data line of the frame details for frame 69 displays the last part of the transferred file's content. This file is short and is only broken into two packets for transmission by FTP. Shorter files can be transmitted as a single unit; longer files are broken into more pieces.

29. Make a screen capture showing the Wireshark window and the hex data pane for Frame 69 and paste it into your Lab Report file.

Note: One way that FTP can be used in a more secure manner is to encrypt the file before transferring it. The file contents would still be visible as a part of a file transfer analysis using Wireshark, or any similar packet analysis

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44. In the frame summary pane, click frame 16.

Frame 16 is an unencrypted NetBIOS Name Service (NBNS) name query and occurs outside of the IPsec tunnel.

45. Make a screen capture showing the frame details pane for frame 16 and paste it into your Lab Report file.

46. In the frame summary pane, click frame 47.

Frames 47-67 continue the secure IPsec exchange between 172.30.0.2 and 172.30.0.100 using the occasional Internet Group Management Protocol v3 (in frames 48, 49, 51, 64, and 66), Link Local Multicast Name Resolution for frames 63, 65, and 69, and

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48. In the Filter box, type `ssh` and press Enter to create a new filter that will display only the SSHv2 packets related to the SSH file transfer.

Use what you learned from reviewing the `ssh-capture.pcapng` file to identify the different steps of the SSH transfer, including Server/Client identification, Key Exchange initialization, and the actual file transfer.

49. In the frame summary pane, click the last SSHv2 frame in the SSH file transfer.

50. Make a screen capture showing the last SSHv2 frame in the SSH file transfer and paste it into your Lab Report file.

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IPSec tunnel; otherwise, it would not be possible to see the details of the SSH interaction between the two machines because the SSH protocol transactions would be encrypted within the ESP frames. The ESP frames between these two machines were carrying other traffic than SSH. What traffic? Without the keys or access to the machines (such as screen shots, key loggers, or possibly log entries), it would be impossible to say, but there are other types of analysis, such as traffic analysis, that could reveal more about the exchange.

51. In the Filter box, highlight the **ssh** text, then type **esp** and press **Enter** to create a new filter that will display only those packets related to the ESP exchanges over the IPsec VPN tunnel.

52. Make a screen capture showing the last frames in the ESP exchange and paste it into your Lab Report file.

53. From the Wireshark menu, click **File** and select **Quit** to close Wireshark.

Note: This completes Section 1 of this lab. There are no deliverable files for this section.

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Add connection

3. At the command prompt, execute **Add-VpnConnectionRoute -ConnectionName "yourname_IPsec" -DestinationPrefix 10.20.1.0/24 -PassThru**, replacing *yourname* with your own name to add the route to the connecting network.

The **ConnectionName** parameter *must* match the **Add-VpnConnection -Name** parameter from Step 2. The system will display the connection profile.

Add connection route

4. Close the PowerShell window.

5. From the vWorkstation taskbar, open the **yourname_IPsec** connection profile.

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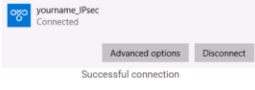
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Root Certification Authorities store on your local system. (Example: you may place a self-sign certificate in this store and your local system will treat it as if it is from the Root authority).

- When prompted, finish the installation process to close the wizard.
- Restore the Settings window and connect to the `yourname_IPsec` VPN.



Successful connection

- Make a screen capture showing the successful VPN connection and paste it into your Lab Report file.
- Close the Settings window, then launch the Network and Sharing Center.

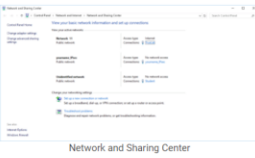
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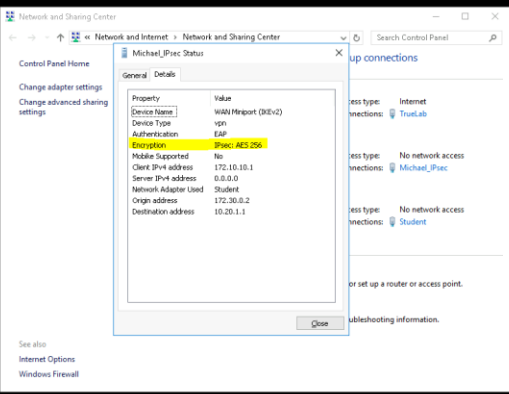
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- Close the Settings window, then launch the Network and Sharing Center.



Network and Sharing Center

- In the Network and Sharing Center, click the `yourname_IPsec` connection to open the `yourname_IPsec` Status dialog box, then click the **Details** tab, which should show an IPsec VPN connection encrypted with AES 256.
- Make a screen capture showing the IPsec VPN connection encrypted with AES 256 and paste it into your Lab Report file.
- Close any open windows.



Property	Value
Device Name	WAN Miniport (Ndis) v2
Device Type	vpn
Authentication	EAP
Encryption	IPsec: AES 256
Mobile Supported	No
Client IP address	172.10.10.1
Server IP address	0.0.0.0
Network Adapter Used	Student
Origin address	172.30.0.2
Destination address	10.20.1.1

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connection. The Internet Security Association and Key Management Protocol (ISAKMP) protocol is the first step in establishing the IPsec tunnel between the two systems.

Note: The first step to establishing an administrative tunnel, the ISAKMP, for the exchange of information such as the keys and other initialization data that will be used to set up a secondary tunnel for the actual information exchange, is called Identify Protection. The Information column of the Frame Summary, refers to this first step as Main Mode, but Identity Protection is preferable because this step and the second step, Quick Mode, are not actually modes at all, but rather are two sequential phases of the same transfer. It is not a matter of choosing a mode; rather, it is a matter of performing the main mode phase and then quick mode phase. ISAKMP is a protocol used to establish Security Associations (or tunnels) and cryptographic keys in an Internet environment. Review the Request for Comment related to the ISAKMP protocol (RFC2408) at <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2408.txt>.

5. Make a screen capture showing the isakmp protocol frames and paste it into your Lab Report file.

6. Minimize the remote TargetWindows05 connection to return to the vWorkstation.

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- User (10.20.1.1, quiet), student
- Password: student

9. At the ftp prompt, execute `get file.txt` to transfer a text file from the server to the client.

10. At the ftp prompt, execute `quit` to exit the ftp tool.

In the following figure, the server is identified with the name ProFTPD 1.3.4a Server in the proftpd.conf file. This banner can be modified to display any text.

```

C:\Users\Administrator>ftp
ftp> open
ftp> open
To 10.20.1.11
Connected to 10.20.1.11.
220 ProFTPD 1.3.4a Server (Debian) [::ffff:10.20.1.11]
200 PORT set to 0
User (10.20.1.11:~): student
331 Password required for student
Password:
220 User student logged in
ftp> get file.txt
200 PORT command successful
150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for file.txt (13 bytes)
226 Transfer complete
ftp>
14 bytes received in 0.00Seconds 14000.00bytes/sec.
ftp> quit
221 Goodbye.
C:\Users\Administrator>
  
```

11. Close the Command Prompt window.


12. From the Connections folder, open the PuTTY

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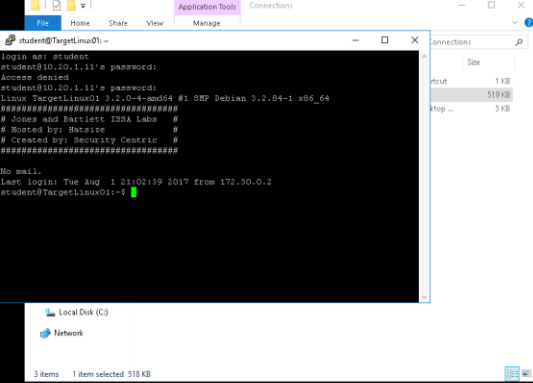
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SSH PuTTY session

- Close the SSH PuTTY session.
- Restore the remote TargetWindows05 connection.
- Stop the Wireshark packet capture.
- Using the Wireshark Filter box, isolate the ftp frames.

Note: Because you are reviewing live capture files, your Wireshark frames will not match the figures in this part of the lab. You will use the following figure as a guide to locate the same information in your own capture file.



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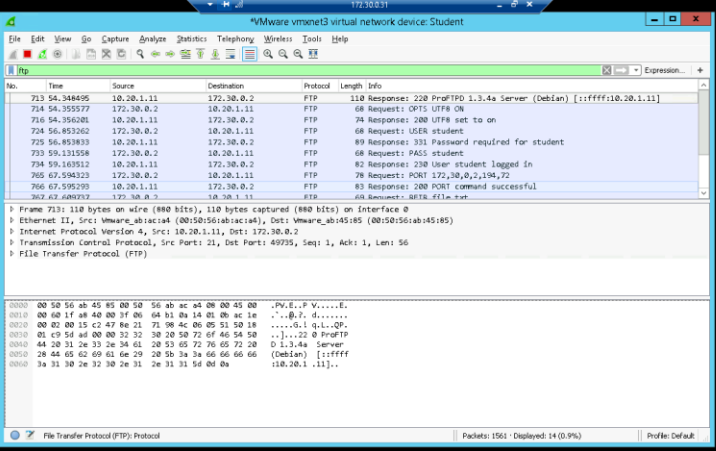
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responds with a similar message in Frame 329.

- Frames 330-346 display the login credentials for the server in clear text.
- Frame 367 shows the transfer of the file.txt file.
- Frame 381 displays the QUIT command from the client to break the communication with the server.
- Frame 382 displays the server's acknowledgement of this break in communication.

- Make a screen capture showing the filtered FTP frames in your capture file and paste it into the Lab Report file.
- Using the Wireshark Filter box, isolate the ftp-data frame(s).
- Make a screen capture showing the contents of the file.txt file in the hex data pane and paste it into the Lab Report file.
- Using the Wireshark Filter box, isolate the ssh protocol frames.

SSH uses a Key Exchange to encrypt/decrypt data



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- responds with a similar message in Frame 329.
- Frames 330-346 display the login credentials for the server in clear text.
- Frame 367 shows the transfer of the file.txt file.
- Frame 381 displays the QUIT command from the client to break the communication with the server.
- Frame 382 displays the server's acknowledgement of this break in communication.

18. Make a screen capture showing the filtered FTP frames in your capture file and paste it into the Lab Report file.

19. Using the Wireshark Filter box, isolate the ftp-data frame(s).

20. Make a screen capture showing the contents of the file.txt file in the hex data pane and paste it into the Lab Report file.

21. Using the Wireshark Filter box, isolate the ssh protocol frames.

SSH uses a Key Exchange to encrypt/decrypt data.

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- In Frame 438, the process is complete and a new key has been generated for the client by the server.
- In Frame 440, the new key is sent to the client and now encrypted communication tunnel is established.
- In Frame 441, the packets are fully encapsulated using an RSA encryption token.

22. Make a screen capture showing the filtered SSH frames in your capture file and paste it into the Lab Report file.

23. In the Lab Report file, identify the frame in which the new key is saved to the client.

24. Save the Wireshark capture file to the TargetWindows desktop as youname_ivcapture.pcapng replacing youname with your own name, then close Wireshark.

Note: This completes Section 2 of this lab. In the next steps, you will use the File Transfer folder to move any files from the vWorkstation to your local system that are to be submitted as part of your lab deliverables. Refer to the instructions in the Common Lab Tasks document for

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1. Some benefits of deploying a VPN would be to have a secure connection, and overall just to be safe. Also another benefit, you can access another network from home.\

2.

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Complete Section 2, then, using the Wireshark menus, follow the TCP Stream and make a screen capture of the result. Describe what you see.

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