

Wireshark Certified Network Analyst

A 5 day **Hands on** training course



Description

Wireshark is a free network protocol analyser. This hands-on course provides a comprehensive tour of using Wireshark to troubleshoot networks. The course concentrates on the information needed in order to pass the WCNA exam. Students will gain the most from this course only if they already have a sound knowledge of the TCP/IP protocols.



Key outcomes

By the end of the course delegates will be able to:

- ✓ Download and install Wireshark.
- ✓ Capture and analyse packets with Wireshark.
- ✓ Configure capture and display filters.
- ✓ Customise Wireshark.
- ✓ Troubleshoot networks using Wireshark.



Training approach

This structured course uses Instructor Led Training to provide the best possible learning experience. Small class sizes ensure students benefit from our engaging and interactive style of teaching with delegates encouraged to ask questions throughout the course. Quizzes follow each major section allowing checking of learning. Hands on sessions are used throughout to allow delegates to consolidate their new skills.



Details

Who will benefit?

Technical staff looking after networks

Prerequisites

TCP/IP foundation for engineers

Duration: 5 days

Customer rating: ★★★★★

Generic training



Generic training compliments product specific courses covering the complete picture of all relevant devices including the protocols "on the wire".

"Friendly environment with expert teaching that teaches the why before the how."
G.C. Fasthosts

Small class sizes



We limit our maximum class size to 8 delegates; often we have less than this. This ensures optimal interactivity between delegates and instructor.

"Excellent course. The small class size was a great benefit..."
M.B. IBM

Hands On training



The majority of our courses use hands on sessions to reinforce the theory.

"Not many courses have practice added to it. Normally just the theoretical stuff is covered."
J.W. Vodafone

Our courseware



We write our own courses; courseware does not just consist of slides and our slides are diagrams not bullet point text.

"Comprehensive materials that made the course easy to follow and will be used as a reference point."
V.B. Rockwell Collins

Customise your course



Please contact us if you would like a course to be customised to meet your specific requirements. Have the course your way.

"I was very impressed by the combination of practical and theory. Very informative. Friendly approachable environment, lots of hands on."
S.R. Qinetiq

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Course content

What is Wireshark?

Network analysis, troubleshooting, network traffic flows. Hands on: Download/install Wireshark.

Wireshark introduction

Capturing packets, libpcap, winpcap, airpcap. Dissectors and plugins. The menus. Right click. Hands on: Using Wireshark.

Capturing traffic

Wireshark and switches and routers. Remote traffic capture. Hands on: Capturing packets.

Capture filters

Applying, identifiers, qualifiers, protocols, addresses, byte values. File sets, ring buffers. Hands on: Capture filters.

Preferences

Configuration folders. Global and personal configurations. Capture preferences, name resolution, protocol settings. Colouring traffic. Profiles. Hands on: Customising Wireshark.

Time

Packet time, timestamps, packet arrival times, delays, traffic rates, packets sizes, overall bytes. Hands on: Measuring high latency.

Trace file statistics

Protocols and applications, conversations, packet lengths, destinations, protocol usages, streams, flows. Hands on: Wireshark statistics.

Display filters

Applying, clearing, expressions, right click, conversations, endpoints, protocols, combining filters, specific bytes, regex filters. Hands on: Display traffic.

Streams

Traffic reassembly, UDP and TCP conversations, SSL. Hands on: Recreating streams.

Saving

Filtered, marked and ranges. Hands on: Export.

TCP/IP Analysis

The expert system. DNS, ARP, IPv4, IPv6, ICMP, UDP, TCP. Hands on: Analysing traffic.

IO rates and trends

Basic graphs, Advanced IO graphs. Round Trip Time, throughput rates. Hands on: Graphs.

Application analysis

DHCP, HTTP, FTP, SMTP. Hands on: Analysing application traffic.

WiFi

Signal strength and interference, monitor mode and promiscuous mode. Data, management and control frames. Hands on: WLAN traffic.

VoIP

Call flows, Jitter, packet loss. RTP, SIP. Hands on: Playing back calls.

Performance problems

Baselining. High latency, arrival times, delta times. Hands on: Identifying poor performance.

Network forensics

Host vs network forensics, unusual traffic patterns, detecting scans and sweeps, suspect traffic. Hands on: Signatures.

Command line tools

Tshark, capinfos, editcap, mergcap, text2pcap, dumpcap. Hands on: Command tools.

