

Experiment 7:

Demonstrate TTL of a packet

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Time to Live Demo

Aim: To demonstrate TTL / Life of a Packet.

Topology:

The diagram illustrates a network topology for demonstrating Time to Live (TTL). It consists of three routers (R1, R2, R3) connected in a chain. R1 is connected to R2, and R2 is connected to R3. R1 is also connected to PC0 (IP 10.0.0.1), and R3 is connected to PC1 (IP 10.0.0.1). The IP addresses for the routers are: R1 (10.0.0.10), R2 (20.0.0.10), and R3 (30.0.0.10).

Procedure:

- Set up a simple topology as shown above using ² PCs and 3 routers.
- Configure each device as usual as previous experiments
- Set up the IP address for routers and configure static routing
- Set up IP and gateway for the end devices.
- Switch to simulation
- Send a single PDU from one PC to another
- Use the capture button to capture every transfer

Result: Screenshots in the soft copy.

TTL at PC0: ~~255~~ 255

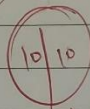
TTL at Router R1: 254

TTL at Router R2: 253

TTL at Router R3: 252

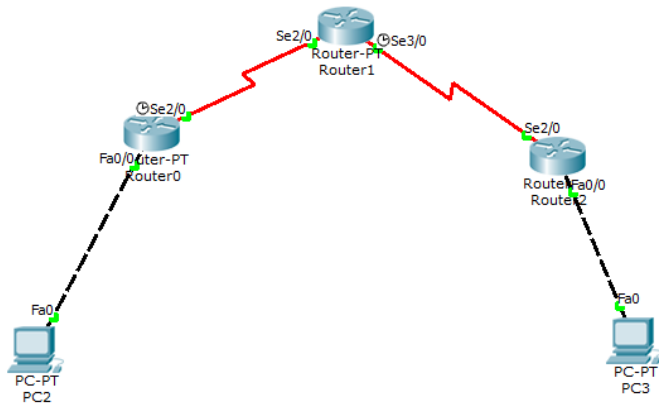
TTL at PC1: 128

Observation: we can observe that TTL reduces by 1 at each hop. This prevents the packet from looping around the network infinitely.



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Topology and output screenshots:



PDU Information at Device: PC2

OSI Model Outbound PDU Details

PDU Formats

Ethernet II

0	4	8	14	15	Bytes
PREAMBLE: 101010...1011		DEST MAC: 000A.F388.8537		SRC MAC: 00D0.D32D.0EA6	
TYPE: 0x800		DATA (VARIABLE LENGTH)		FCS: 0x0	

IP

0	4	8	16	19	31	Bits
ID: 0x4		DSCP: 0x0		TL: 28		
TTL: 255		PRO: 0x1		CHKSUM		
SRC IP: 10.0.0.10						
DST IP: 40.0.0.10						
OPT: 0x0				0x0		
DATA (VARIABLE LENGTH)						

ICMP

0	8	16	31	Bits
TYPE: 0x8		CODE: 0x0		CHKSUM
ID: 0x5		SEQ NUMBER: 4		

PDU Information at Device: Router0

OSI Model Inbound PDU Details Outbound PDU Details

PDU Formats

PPP

0	8	16	24	40	40+x	56+x	64+x	Bits
FLG: 0111 1110		ADR: 0xff		CTR: 0x3		PROTOCOL: 0x21		LCP: (VARIABLE LENGTH)
FCS: 0x0		FLG: 0111 1110						

IP

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TTL: 254		PRO: 0x1		CHKSUM		
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