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LESSON – 18

CONFIGURING NETWORKING

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Manage network interface
- Configure and validate network

Networking Fundamentals

- Currently two versions of IP addresses
 - IPv4 addresses -> 32-bit addresses (Format x.x.x.x)
 - IPv6 addresses -> 128-bit addresses (Format -> 8 hex written parts that are 16 bits each).
Example: fe80:badb:abe01:45bc:34ad:6734:7898:df45
- Focus on IPv4 addressing

Managing Network Addresses and Interfaces

- As a Linux server administrator, you need to manage network addresses and network interfaces.
- Two ways to assign network addresses:
 - Fixed IP addresses (Static)
 - Dynamically assigned IP addresses (DHCP)

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- In Ubuntu, the default names for network cards are based on firmware, device topology and device type (eno16777734)
- This leads to network card names consisting following parts:
 - Ethernet interface -> begins with en, WLAN interface -> begins with wl, WWAN interface -> begins with ww
 - The next part of the name represents the type of adapter.
 - o->onboard, s->hotplug slot, p-> PCI location
 - Then follows a number, which represents index, ID, or port

Ethernet interface



en

WLAN interface



wl

WWAN interface



ww

Onboard



o

Hot plug



s

PCI card



p

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- Other Network card names:
 - Network card can be also named based on the BIOS device name (biosdevname package must be installed).
 - em1 (embedded network card 1) or p4p1 (PCI slot 4, port 1) can be used.
 - Traditional names such as **eth0**

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- Validating Network Address Configuration:
 - Use ip utility.
 - With this utility, many aspects of networking can be monitored:
 - Use ip addr -> To configure and monitor network address
 - Use ip route -> To configure and monitor routing information
 - Use ip link -> To configure and monitor network link state

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- Validating Routing:
 - Every network has, at least, a default router (also called the default gateway)
 - Use **ip** utility to show default router
 - **Command:** *ip route show*

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- Output of ip route show:

- ```
jiwan@cst:~$ ip route show
```

- ```
default via 10.2.0.1 dev eth0 proto static  
10.2.0.0/24 dev eth0 proto kernel scope link src 10.2.0.21
```

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- Adding IP address:
 - **Command**
`# ip addr add <IP Address> dev <yourdevicename>`
 - **Example**
`#ip addr add 10.20.1.10/24 dev eno16777736o`
- Verify ip address and routing information after adding IP.
- Note:
 - > The **ifconfig** command will not display added information
 - > Temporary assignment of IP address

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- Configuring Network with nmtui and nmcli:
 - Check the current state of network
ip | show
 - When NetworkManager comes up, it reads the network card configuration script, which is in:
/etc/network/

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- Configuring Network with nmtui and nmcli:
 - ip command is nonpersistent, to make your configuration persistence, use either **nmcli** or **nmtui**
 - When NetworkManager comes up, it reads the network card configuration script, which is in:
/etc/network/netplan
- To show connection properties use nmcli con show <deviceName>

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- Configuring Network with nmcli :

- To see the status of device:

- **Command:**

\$nmcli dev status / nmcli con show / nmcli con show -a

- When NetworkManager comes up, it reads the network card configuration script, which is in:
/etc/network/

```
root@host01:/home/apnic# nmcli dev status
DEVICE  TYPE      STATE                CONNECTION
ens32   ethernet  connected (externally) ens32
lo       loopback  unmanaged            --
```

- To show connection properties use nmcli con show <deviceName>

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- To show the settings for a specified device:
 - **Command:**
nmcli dev show ens32:

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DEVICE  TYPE      STATE      CONNECTION
ens32   ethernet  connected (externally)  ens32
lo       loopback  unmanaged  --
root@host01:/home/apnic# nmcli dev show ens32
GENERAL.DEVICE:       ens32
GENERAL.TYPE:         ethernet
GENERAL.HWADDR:       00:0C:29:5C:B4:25
GENERAL.MTU:          1500
GENERAL.STATE:        100 (connected (externally))
GENERAL.CONNECTION:   ens32
GENERAL.CON-PATH:     /org/freedesktop/NetworkManager/ActiveConnection/13
WIRED-PROPERTIES.CARRIER: on
IP4.ADDRESS[1]:       10.2.1.1/24
IP4.GATEWAY:          --
IP4.ROUTE[1]:         dst = 10.2.1.0/24, nh = 0.0.0.0, mt = 0
IP6.GATEWAY:          --
```

- To show connection properties use nmcli con show <deviceName>

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- Create New connection and add IPv4 address:
 - **Command:**
nmcli connection add type ethernet ifname ens32 con-name my_eth_connection

#nmcli connection modify my_eth_connection ipv4.addresses "192.168.1.2/24"
ipv4.gateway "192.168.1.1"

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- Modify connection:

- **Command:**

```
#nmcli con mod testing ipv4.dns "192.168.1.254, 8.8.8.8"
```


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- Delete connection:
 - **Command:**
`#nmcli con del testing`

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- Making network interface up and down:

- **Command:**

- ```
#nmcli con down ens32
```

- ```
#nmcli con up ens32
```

- ```
#ip link set dev ens32 up
```

- ```
#ip link set dev ens32 down
```

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- Configuring Network with nmtui:
 - The nmcli has complicated syntax. Therefore, you can use nmtui for configuring network.
 - The nmtui consist of 3 menu options:
 1. *Edit a Connection*
 2. *Activate a Connection*
 3. *Set System Hostname*
- *Usage of these three menus can be shown as demonstration*

SUMMARY

- In this lesson, you have learnt that:
 - The network interface can be configured using tools such as ip, nmcli and nmtui tools
 - The ip utility to assign ip address is temporarily. It erases of when system reboot.
 - The nmtui and nmcli tools is used to persistently add ip address.