

Lab - Calculate IPv4 Subnets

Objectives

Part 1: Determine IPv4 Address Subnetting
Part 2: Calculate IPv4 Address Subnetting

Background / Scenario

The ability to work with IPv4 subnets and determine network and host information based on a given IP address and subnet mask is critical to understanding how IPv4 networks operate. The first part is designed to reinforce how to compute network IP address information from a given IP address and subnet mask. When given an IP address and subnet mask, you will be able to determine other information about the subnet.

Required Resources

1 PC (Windows with Internet access)

Optional: IPv4 address calculator

Instructions

Fill out the tables below with appropriate answers given the IPv4 address, original subnet mask, and new subnet mask.

Problem 1:

Given:	
Host IP Address:	192.168.200.139
Original Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
New Subnet Mask:	255.255.254

Find:	
Number of Subnet Bits	
Number of Subnets Created	
Number of Host Bits per Subnet	
Number of Hosts per Subnet	
Network Address of this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of First Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of Last Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Broadcast Address on this Subnet	

Problem 2:

Given:	
Host IP Address:	10.101.99.228
Original Subnet Mask	255.0.0.0
New Subnet Mask:	255.255.128.0

Find:	
Number of Subnet Bits	
Number of Subnets Created	
Number of Host Bits per Subnet	
Number of Hosts per Subnet	
Network Address of this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of First Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of Last Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Broadcast Address on this Subnet	

Problem 3:

Given:	
Host IP Address:	172.22.32.12
Original Subnet Mask	255.255.0.0
New Subnet Mask:	255.255.224.0

Find:	
Number of Subnet Bits	
Number of Subnets Created	
Number of Host Bits per Subnet	
Number of Hosts per Subnet	
Network Address of this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of First Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of Last Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Broadcast Address on this Subnet	

Problem 4:

Given:	
Host IP Address:	192.168.1.245
Original Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
New Subnet Mask:	255.255.255.252

Find:	
Number of Subnet Bits	
Number of Subnets Created	
Number of Host Bits per Subnet	
Number of Hosts per Subnet	
Network Address of this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of First Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of Last Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Broadcast Address on this Subnet	

Problem 5:

Given:	
Host IP Address:	128.107.0.55
Original Subnet Mask	255.255.0.0
New Subnet Mask:	255.255.255.0

Find:	
Number of Subnet Bits	
Number of Subnets Created	
Number of Host Bits per Subnet	
Number of Hosts per Subnet	
Network Address of this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of First Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of Last Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Broadcast Address on this Subnet	

Problem 6:

Given:	
Host IP Address:	192.135.250.180
Original Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
New Subnet Mask:	255.255.255.248

Find:	
Number of Subnet Bits	
Number of Subnets Created	
Number of Host Bits per Subnet	
Number of Hosts per Subnet	
Network Address of this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of First Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Address of Last Host on this Subnet	
IPv4 Broadcast Address on this Subnet	

Reflection Question

Why is the subnet mask so important when analyzing an IPv4 address?

The subnet mask determines everything about the address: the network, number of host bits, number of hosts and the broadcast address. Merely looking at an IPv4 address tells you nothing. You need the subnet mask to fill in all the important pieces of information.