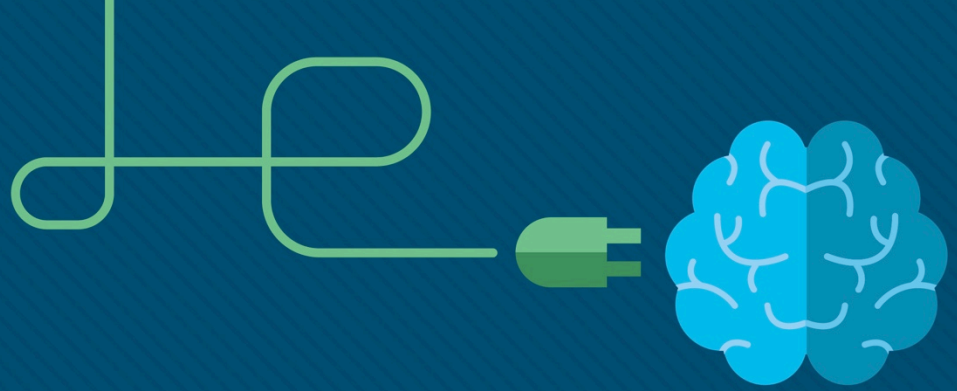

Module 7: IPv4 Address Subnetting

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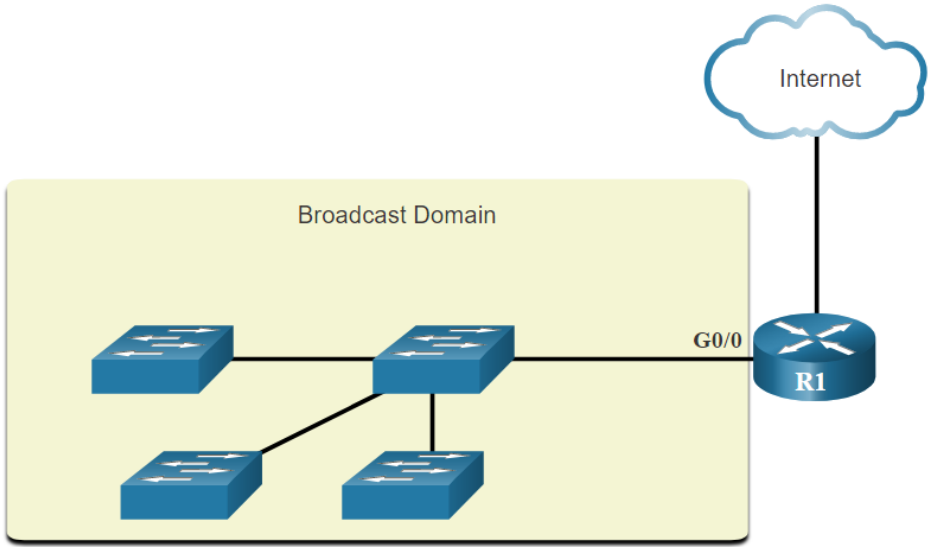
Network Segmentation

Broadcast Domains and Segmentation

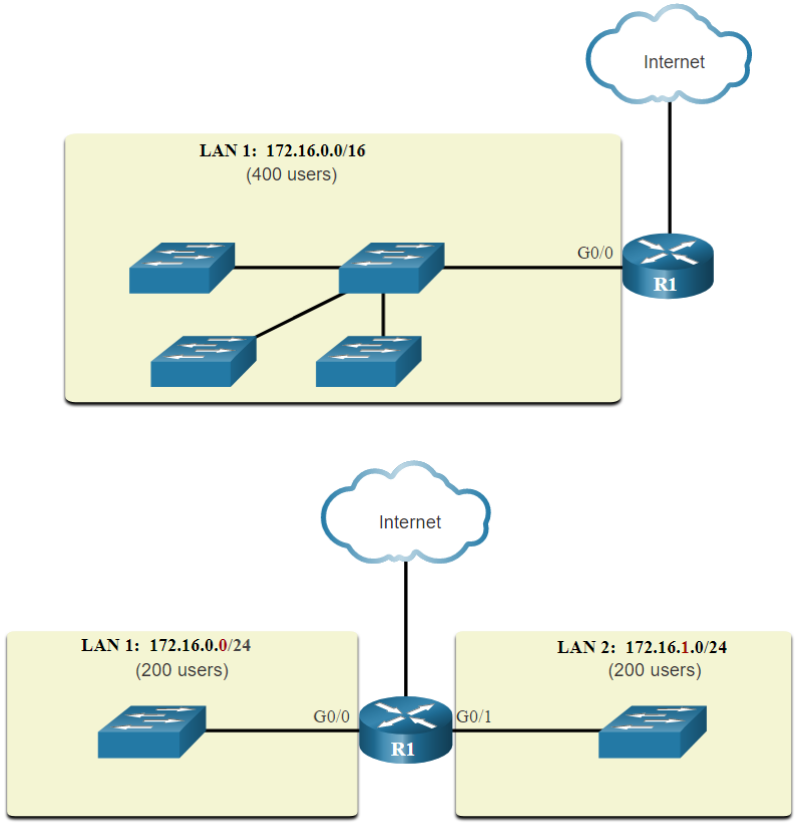
- Many protocols use broadcasts or multicasts (e.g., ARP use broadcasts to locate other devices, hosts send DHCP discover broadcasts to locate a DHCP server.)
- Switches propagate broadcasts out all interfaces except the interface on which it was received.



- The only device that stops broadcasts is a router.
- Routers do not propagate broadcasts.
- Each router interface connects to a broadcast domain and broadcasts are only propagated within that specific broadcast domain.

Problems with Large Broadcast Domains

- A problem with a large broadcast domain is that these hosts can generate excessive broadcasts and negatively affect the network.
- The solution is to reduce the size of the network to create smaller broadcast domains in a process called subnetting.
- Dividing the network address 172.16.0.0 /16 into two subnets of 200 users each: 172.16.0.0 /24 and 172.16.1.0 /24.
- Broadcasts are only propagated within the smaller broadcast domains.

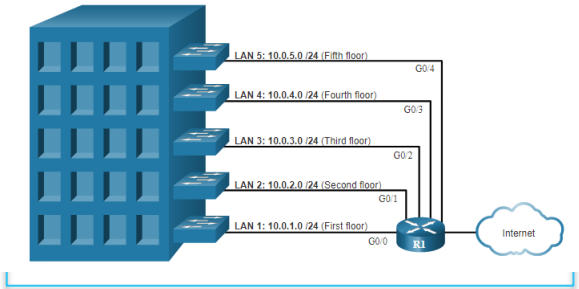


Reasons for Segmenting Networks

- Subnetting reduces overall network traffic and improves network performance.
- It can be used to implement security policies between subnets.
- Subnetting reduces the number of devices affected by abnormal broadcast traffic.

- Subnets are used for a variety of reasons including by:

Location



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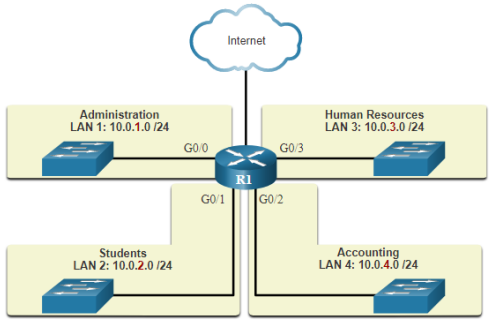

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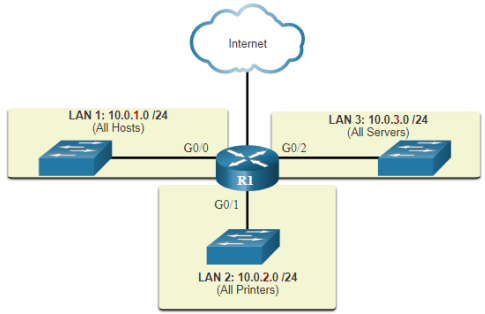


Subnet an IPv4 Network

Subnet on an Octet Boundary

- Networks are most easily subnetted at the octet boundary of /8, /16, and /24.
- Notice that using longer prefix lengths decreases the number of hosts per subnet.

Prefix Length	Subnet Mask	Subnet Mask in Binary (n = network, h = host)	# of hosts
/8	**255**.0.0.0	**nnnnnnnn**.hhhhhhhh.hhhhhhhh.hhhhhhhh **11111111**.00000000.00000000.00000000	16,777,214
/16	**255.255**.0.0	**nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn**.hhhhhhhh.hhhhhhhh **11111111.11111111**.00000000.00000000	65,534
/24	**255.255.255**.0	**nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn**.hhhhhhhh **11111111.11111111.11111111**.00000000	254

Subnet on an Octet Boundary (Cont.)

- In the first table 10.0.0.0/8 is subnetted using /16 and in the second table, a /24 mask.

Subnet Address (256 Possible Subnets)	**Host Range** (65,534 possible hosts per subnet)	**Broadcast**
10.0.0.0/**16**	**10.0**.0.1 - **10.0**.255.254	**10.0**.255.255
10.1.0.0/**16**	**10.1**.0.1 - **10.1**.255.254	**10.1**.255.255
10.2.0.0/**16**	**10.2**.0.1 - **10.2**.255.254	**10.2**.255.255
10.3.0.0/**16**	**10.3**.0.1 - **10.3**.255.254	**10.3**.255.255
10.4.0.0/**16**	**10.4**.0.1 - **10.4**.255.254	**10.4**.255.255
10.5.0.0/**16**	**10.5**.0.1 - **10.5**.255.254	**10.5**.255.255
10.6.0.0/**16**	**10.6**.0.1 - **10.6**.255.254	**10.6**.255.255
10.7.0.0/**16**	**10.7**.0.1 - **10.7**.255.254	**10.7**.255.255
…	…	…
10.255.0.0/**16**	**10.255**.0.1 - **10.255**.255.254	**10.255**.255.255

Subnet Address (65,536 Possible Subnets)	**Host Range** (254 possible hosts per subnet)	**Broadcast**
10.0.0.0/**24**	**10.0.0**.1 - **10.0.0**.254	**10.0.0**.255
10.0.1.0/**24**	**10.0.1**.1 - **10.0.1**.254	**10.0.1**.255
10.0.2.0/**24**	**10.0.2**.1 - **10.0.2**.254	**10.0.2**.255
…	…	…
10.0.255.0/**24**	**10.0.255**.1 - **10.0.255**.254	**10.0.255**.255
10.1.0.0/**24**	**10.1.0**.1 - **10.1.0**.254	**10.1.0**.255
10.1.1.0/**24**	**10.1.1**.1 - **10.1.1**.254	**10.1.1**.255
10.1.2.0/**24**	**10.1.2**.1 - **10.1.2**.254	**10.1.2**.255
…	…	…
10.100.0.0/**24**	**10.100.0**.1 - **10.100.0**.254	**10.100.0**.255
…	…	…
10.255.255.0/**24**	**10.255.255**.1 - **10.255.255**.254	**10.255.255**.255

Subnet within an Octet Boundary

- Refer to the table to see six ways to subnet a /24 network.

Prefix Length	Subnet Mask	Subnet Mask in Binary (n = network, h = host)	# of subnets	# of hosts
/25	255.255.255.128	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**n**hhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**1**0000000	**2**	126
/26	255.255.255.192	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nn**hhhhhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**11**000000	**4**	62
/27	255.255.255.224	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnn**hhhhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**111**00000	**8**	30
/28	255.255.255.240	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnn**hhhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**1111**0000	**16**	14
/29	255.255.255.248	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnn**hhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**11111**000	**32**	6
/30	255.255.255.252	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnn**hh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**111111**00	**64**	2

Subnet a Slash 16 and a Slash 8 Prefix

Create Subnets with a Slash 16 prefix

- The table highlights all the possible scenarios for subnetting a /16 prefix.

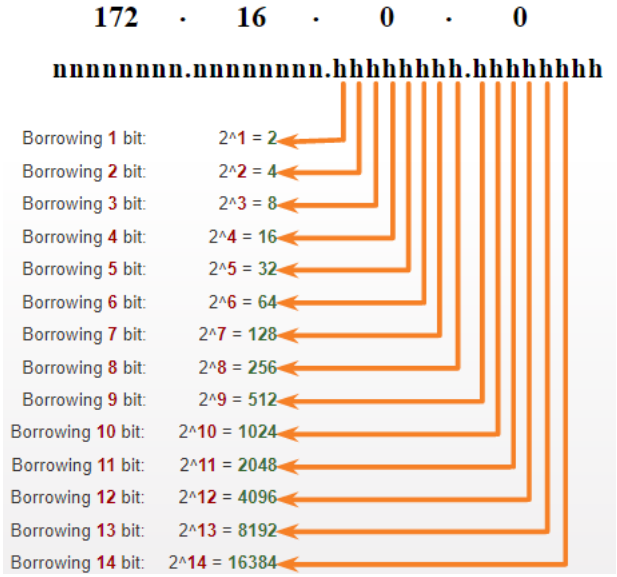
Prefix Length	Subnet Mask	Network Address (n = network, h = host)	# of subnets	# of hosts
/17	255.255.**128**.0	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**n**hhhhhhh.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**1**0000000.00000000	**2**	32766
/18	255.255.**192**.0	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nn**hhhhhh.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**11**000000.00000000	**4**	16382
/19	255.255.**224**.0	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnn**hhhhh.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**111**00000.00000000	**8**	8190
/20	255.255.**240**.0	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnn**hhhh.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**1111**0000.00000000	**16**	4094
/21	255.255.**248**.0	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnn**hhh.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**11111**000.00000000	**32**	2046
/22	255.255.**252**.0	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnn**hh.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**111111**00.00000000	**64**	1022
/23	255.255.**254**.0	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnn**h.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**1111111**0.00000000	**128**	510
/24	255.255.**255.0**	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnnn**.hhhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**11111111**.00000000	**256**	254
/25	255.255.**255.128**	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnnn.n**hhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**11111111.1**0000000	**512**	126
/26	255.255.**255.192**	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnnn.nn**hhhhhh 11111111.11111111.**11111111.11**000000	**1024**	62
/27	255.255.**255.224**	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnnn.nnn**hhhhh 11111111.11111111.**11111111.111**00000	**2048**	30
/28	255.255.**255.240**	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnnn.nnnn**hhhh 11111111.11111111.**11111111.1111**0000	**4096**	14
/29	255.255.**255.248**	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnnn.nnnnn**hhh 11111111.11111111.**11111111.11111**000	**8192**	6
/30	255.255.**255.252**	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnnnn.nnnnnn**hh 11111111.11111111.**11111111.111111**00	**16384**	2

Create 100 Subnets with a Slash 16 prefix

Consider a large enterprise that requires at least 100 subnets and has chosen the private address 172.16.0.0/16 as its internal network address.

- The figure displays the number of subnets that can be created when borrowing bits from the third octet and the fourth octet.
- Notice there are now up to 14 host bits that can be borrowed (i.e., last two bits cannot be borrowed).

To satisfy the requirement of 100 subnets for the enterprise, 7 bits (i.e., 2^7 = 128 subnets) would need to be borrowed (for a total of 128 subnets).



Create 1000 Subnets with a Slash 8 prefix

Consider a small ISP that requires 1000 subnets for its clients using network address 10.0.0.0/8 which means there are 8 bits in the network portion and 24 host bits available to borrow toward subnetting.

- The figure displays the number of subnets that can be created when borrowing bits from the second and third.
- Notice there are now up to 22 host bits that can be borrowed (i.e., last two bits cannot be borrowed).

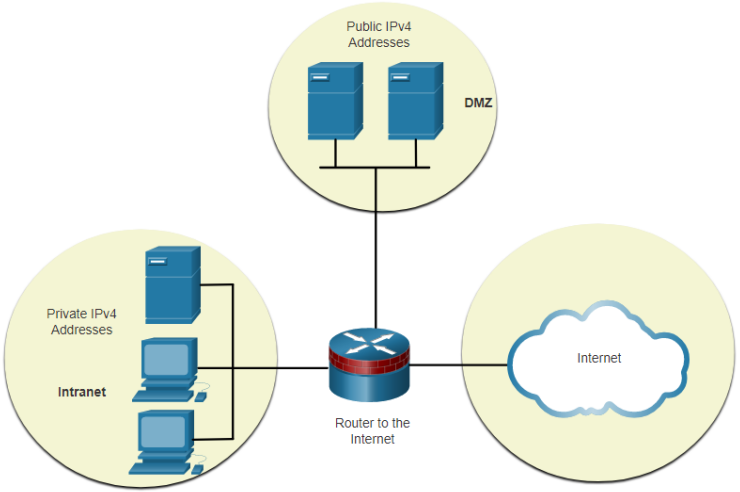
To satisfy the requirement of 1000 subnets for the enterprise, 10 bits (i.e., 2^{10}=1024 subnets) would need to be borrowed (for a total of 128 subnets)

Subnet to Meet Requirements

Subnet Private versus Public IPv4 Address Space

Enterprise networks will have an:

- Intranet - A company's internal network typically using private IPv4 addresses.
- DMZ – A companies internet facing servers. Devices in the DMZ use public IPv4 addresses.
- A company could use the 10.0.0.0/8 and subnet on the /16 or /24 network boundary.
- The DMZ devices would have to be configured with public IP addresses.



Subnet to Meet Requirements

Minimize Unused Host IPv4 Addresses and Maximize Subnets

There are two considerations when planning subnets:

- The number of host addresses required for each network
- The number of individual subnets needed

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/25	255.255.255.128	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**n**hhhhhhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**1**0000000	**2**	126
/26	255.255.255.192	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nn**hhhhhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**11**000000	**4**	62
/27	255.255.255.224	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnn**hhhhh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**111**00000	**8**	30
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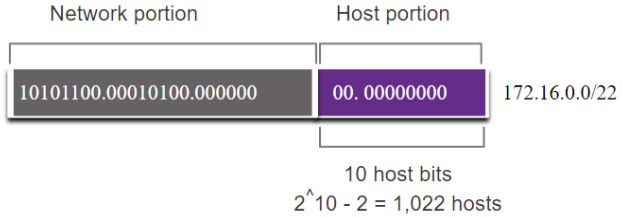
/30	255.255.255.252	nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.nnnnnnnn.**nnnnnn**hh 11111111.11111111.11111111.**111111**00	**64**	2

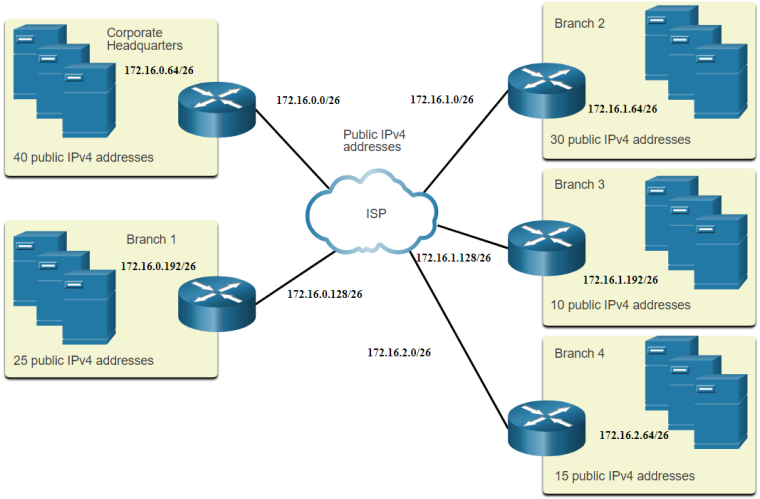
Example: Efficient IPv4 Subnetting

- In this example, corporate headquarters has been allocated a public network address of 172.16.0.0/22 (10 host bits) by its ISP providing 1,022 host addresses.

- There are five sites and therefore five internet connections which means the organization requires 10 subnets with the largest subnet requires 40 addresses.

- It allocated 10 subnets with a /26 (i.e., 255.255.255.192) subnet mask.



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