

COMP1047: Systems and Architecture

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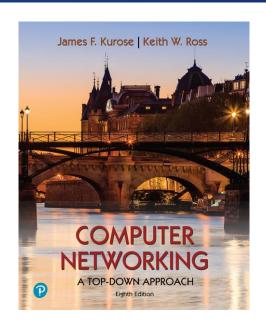
Computer Networks: IP Protocol & Subnetting



Introduction

- Most of the slides are based on the Books
- 1. Computer Networking: A Top-Down Approach

8th edition by Jim Kurose, Keith Ross





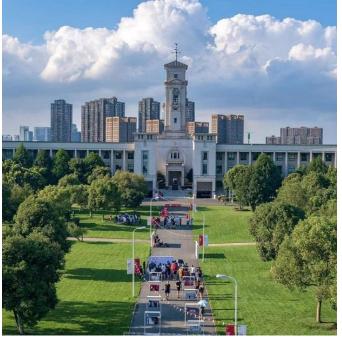
Overview-Internet Protocol Addressing

Learning Outcomes

- Understand the Services of IP
 - Internet Protocol
- IP datagram format
 - IP datagram header
- IP Addressing
 - IP Format
 - Subnetting
 - Supernetting

Roadmap:

- IP: Internet Protocol
- Binary Numbers
- Connectionless Networking
- IP Addressing
- IP Versions





Overview

- Recap from last Week
- Principles behind Internet Protocol
 - IP datagram header
 - Header format
- Binary Numbers
 - Quick Review
- Connectionless Networking
 - Design issues
- IP: Addressing
 - Addressing Types
 - IP Classes
 - Addressing Format

- IP: Addressing
 - Subnetting
 - Classless Inter-Domain Routing
 - Supernetting
 - Variable length subnet masking
- IPv6
 - Rules
 - Notations



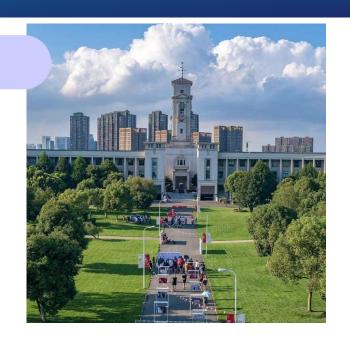


Recap from the Last Week

Last Week, we discussed

- Block TCP Flow Problem
 - Deadlock like situation
- TCP: Connection-oriented protocol
 - Ack, Sequence No. and RTT
 - Connection Management
 - Congestion Control
- Performance Analysis
 - Delay
 - Throughput
 - Packets drop

Any question in previous lecture?





Addressing-Types

- Layer 2 MAC Addresses (Media Access Control)
 - 00-0A-95-9D-67-16 A MAC Address
 - **00-0A-95** Vendor Code
 - 9D-67-16 Serial Number

IP: 192.168.1.5

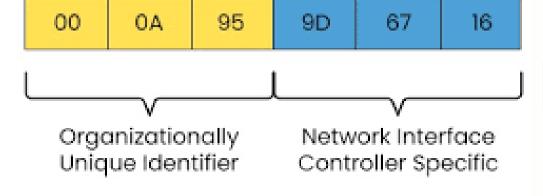
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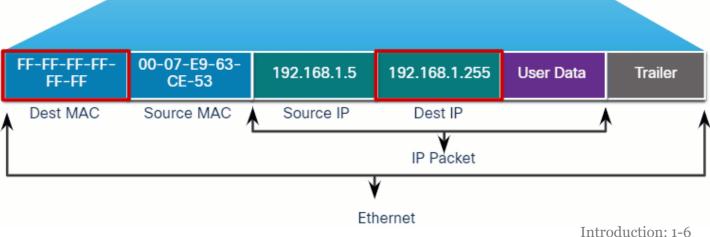
I need to send data to all

hosts on the network.

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Media Access Control Address





Destination

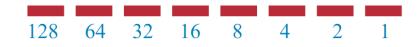
Host Group



Addressing-Types

- Layer 3 Logical Addresses (IPv4 or IPX)
- Common tasks for an IP address
 - identification of a host or a network
 - identifying the location of a device
- Assignment of IP Addresses
 - Static Addresses assigned by an Administrator
 - $\bullet \ Dynamic \ Addresses DHCP \ (Dynamic \ Host \ Configuration \ Protocol) \\$
 - "Hierarchical" vs. "Flat" Addressing Schemes
 - Hierarchical utilizes multiple routing tables to organize network information.
 - Flat utilizes a single routing table to organize network information

- Logical (IP) Address
- It has 4 Octets
 - 8 Bits
- Each Bit has a "Binary Value"
 - a One or a Zero
- One of the Octets



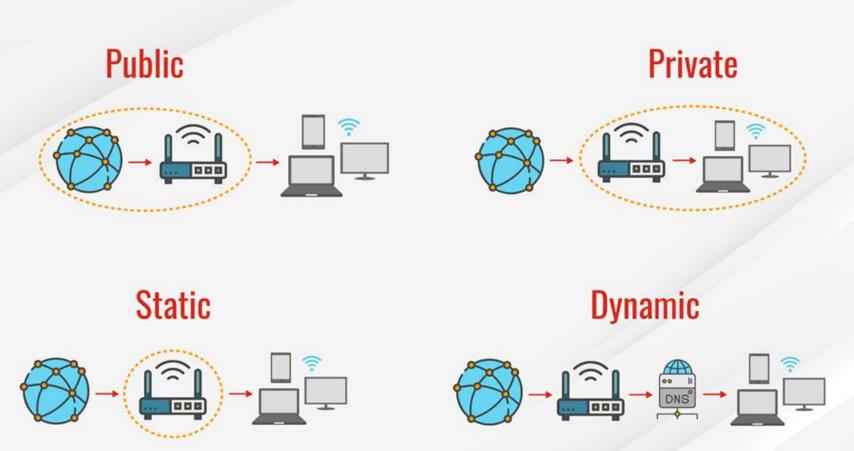


Types of IP Addresses

Four types of IP address

- Public IP address
 - external facing
 - mostly routers
- Private IP address
 - internal facing
 - device IP
- Static IP address
 - no automatic change
- Dynamic IP address
 - dynamic allocation

Four types of IP Addresses





Can you count in Binary

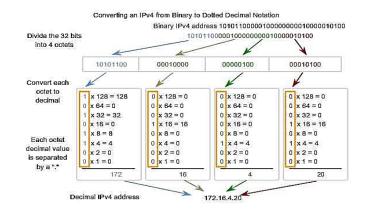
• We are Very Familiar with our Decimal System...

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13...

But

• We Need to Become Familiar with the Binary System only 0's and 1's

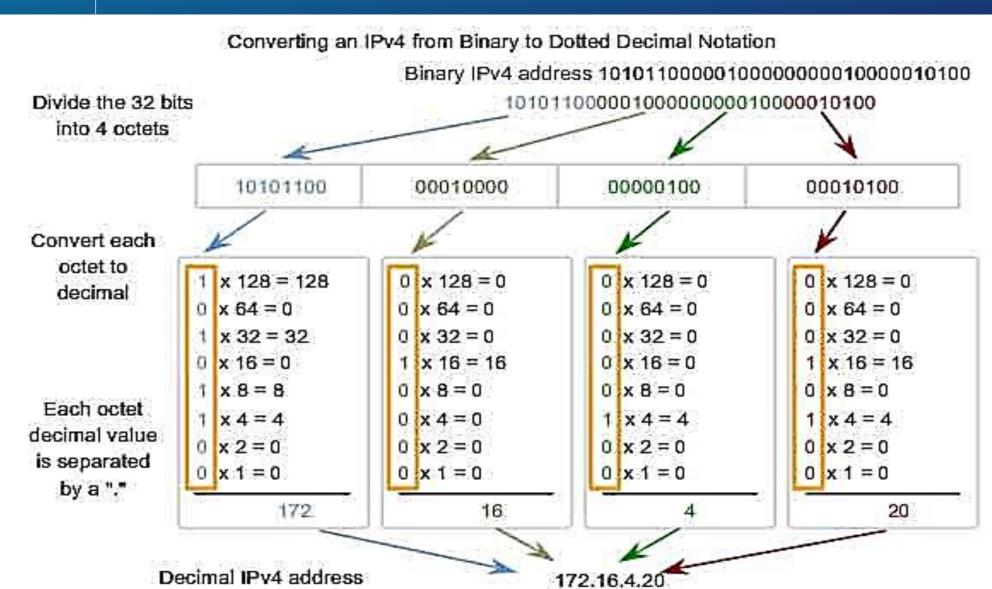
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The base 10 of Binary numbers

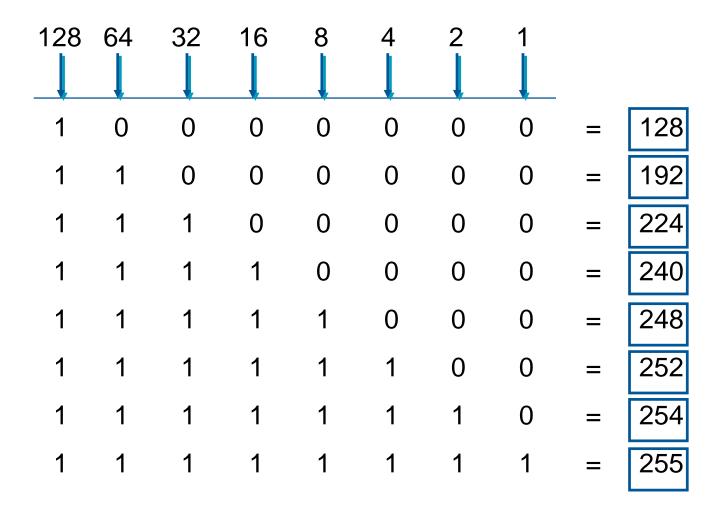


Can you count in Binary





Decimal Equivalents of Bit Patterns





Internet Protocol (1/2)

- The **IP** is the network layer communications protocol in the TCP/IP protocol suite
- It relays datagrams across network boundaries
- It is responsible for routing and addressing data packets
 - Packets can travel across networks and arrive at the correct destination
- The routing function enables internetworking
 - essentially establishes the Internet
- It can be used with several transport protocols, including TCP/UDP
- It has two versions
 - IPv4
 - IPv6



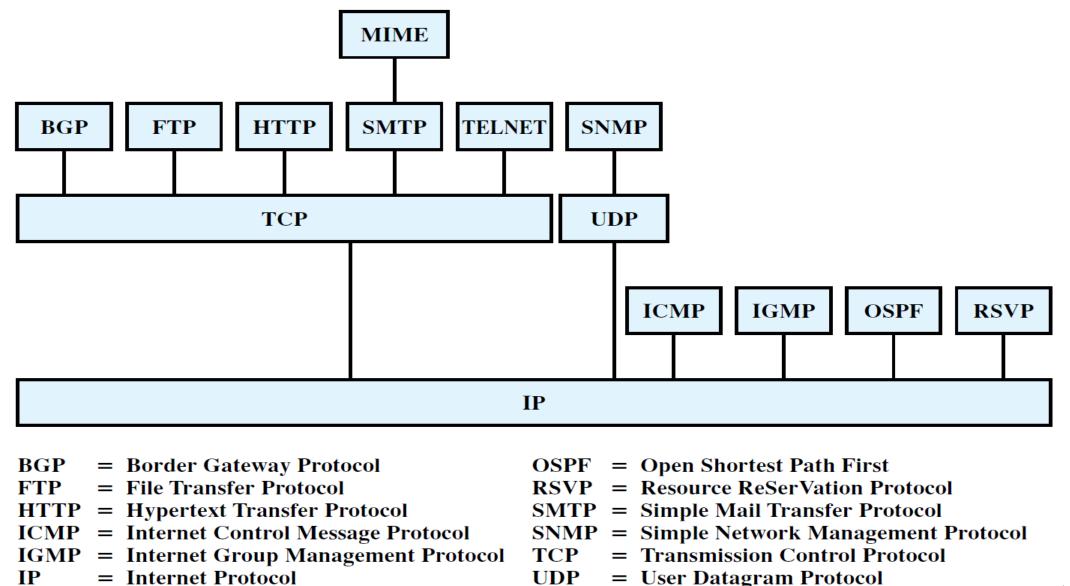
Internet Protocol (2/2)

- It delivers packets from the source to the destination based on the IP addresses
- IP address is a 32-bit identifier associated with sender/receiver
 - IP address is stored in datagram (packet) headers
- It encapsulates the data to be delivered in its packet format
- It defines addressing methods that are used to label the datagram
 - source information
 - destination information



Internetworking Protocols

MIME = Multipurpose Internet Mail Extension





IP - Connectionless Internetworking

Advantages

- Flexibility- requires little from networks •
- Robust- highly robust service
- No unnecessary overhead

• Unreliable

- Not guaranteed delivery
- Not guaranteed order of delivery
 - Packets can take different routes
- Reliability is responsibility of next layer up (e.g., TCP)

Design Issues

- Routing
- Datagram lifetime
- Fragmentation and re-assembly
- Error control
- Flow control



Design Issues-Routing

- End systems and routers maintain routing tables
 - Indicate next router to which datagram should be sent
 - Static Table
 - May contain alternative routes, if some routes are unavailable
 - Dynamic Table
 - Flexible response to congestion and errors
 - Source routing
 - Source specifies route as sequential list of routers to be followed
 - Security
 - Priority
- Route recording
 - Each router appends its internet address to a list in the datagram



Design Issues- Datagram Lifetime

- Datagrams could loop indefinitely due to dynamic/alternate routes
 - Consumes resources
 - Transport protocol may need upper bound on datagram life
- Datagram marked with lifetime
 - Time To Live field in IP
 - Once lifetime expires, datagram discarded (not forwarded)
 - Hop count
 - Decrement time to live on passing through a each router
 - Time count
 - Need to know how long since last router forwarded it
 - It can be used in the reassembly algorithm



Design Issues- Fragmentation and Re-assembly

- Different packet sizes need to be divided
- When to re-assemble
 - At destination
 - Results in packets getting smaller as data traverses Internet
 - Intermediate re-assembly
 - Need large buffers at routers
 - Buffers may fill with fragments
 - All fragments must go through same router
 - Inhibits dynamic routing



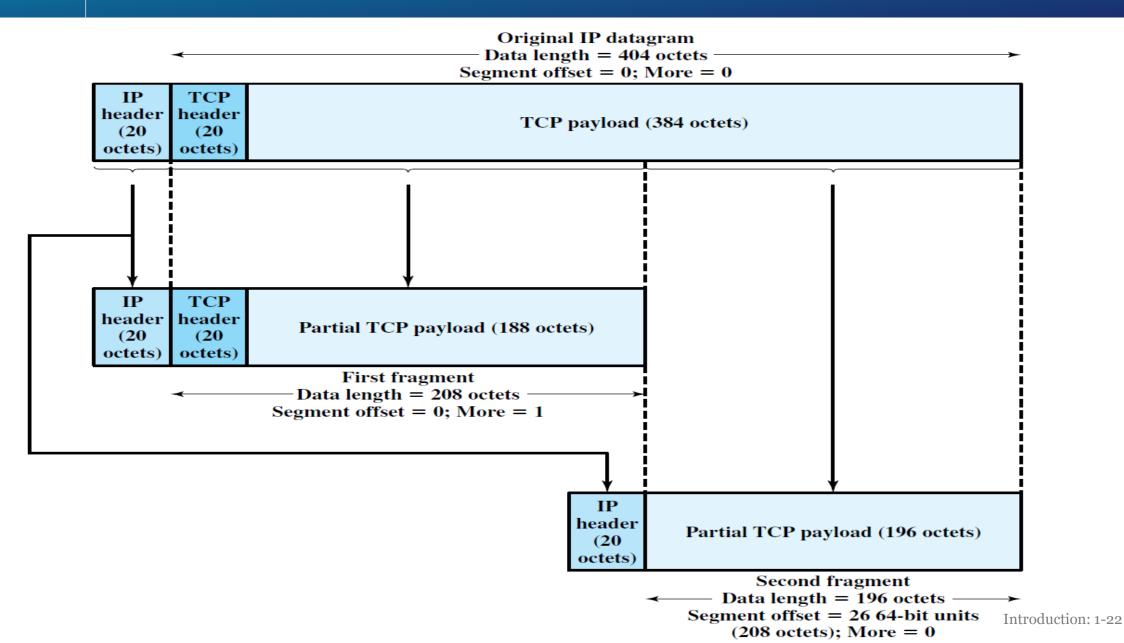
Design Issues- IP Fragmentation

- IP re-assembles at destination only
- Uses fields in header
 - Data Unit Identifier (ID)
 - Identifies end system originated datagram
 - Source and destination address
 - Protocol layer generating data (TCP)
 - Identification supplied by that layer

- Data length
 - Length of user data in octets
- Offset
 - Position of fragment of user data in original datagram
 - In multiples of 64 bits (8 octets)
- *More* flag
 - Indicates that this is not the last fragment



Design Issues- Fragmentation Example





Design Issues- Dealing with Failure

- Re-assembly may fail if some fragments get lost
- Need to detect failure
- Re-assembly time out
 - Assigned to first fragment to arrive
 - If timeout expires before all fragments arrive, discard partial data
- Use packet lifetime (time to live in IP)
 - If time to live runs out, kill partial data



Design Issues- Error Control

- Not guaranteed delivery
- Router should attempt to inform source if packet discarded
 - e.g. for time to live expiring
- Source may modify transmission strategy
- May inform high layer protocol
- Datagram identification needed
- (Look up ICMP)
 - Internet Control Message Protocol



Design Issues- Flow Control

- Allows routers and/or stations to limit rate of incoming data
- Limited in connectionless systems
- Send flow control packets
 - Requesting reduced flow
- e.g. ICMP



IP Services

• The services between IP and TCP are expressed in terms of *primitives* and *parameters*

• Parameters

• Used to pass data and control information

- Primitives
 - Functions to be performed
 - Form of primitive implementation dependent
 - e.g. subroutine call
 - Send primitive
 - Request transmission of data unit
 - Deliver primitive
 - Notify user of arrival of data unit



Parameters (1)

- Parameters associated with two primitives
- Source address
- Destination address
- Protocol
 - Recipient e.g., TCP
- Type of Service
 - Specify treatment of data unit during transmission through networks
- Identification
 - Combined with source, destination address and user protocol
 - Uniquely identifies PDU (Protocol Data Unit)
 - Needed for re-assembly and error reporting
 - Send only



Parameters (2)

- Parameters associated with two primitives
 - Don't fragment indicator
 - Can IP fragment data
 - If not, may not be possible to deliver
 - Send only
 - Time to live
 - Measured in seconds

- Data length
 - Length of data being transmitted.
- Option data
 - Options requested by the IP user.
- User data
 - User data to be transmitted



Types of Services

- Precedence
 - 8 levels, higher value shows higher importance
- Reliability
 - Normal or high
- Delay
 - Normal or low
- Throughput
 - Normal or high



IP Datagram Format

IP protocol version number - header length(bytes) -

"type" of service:

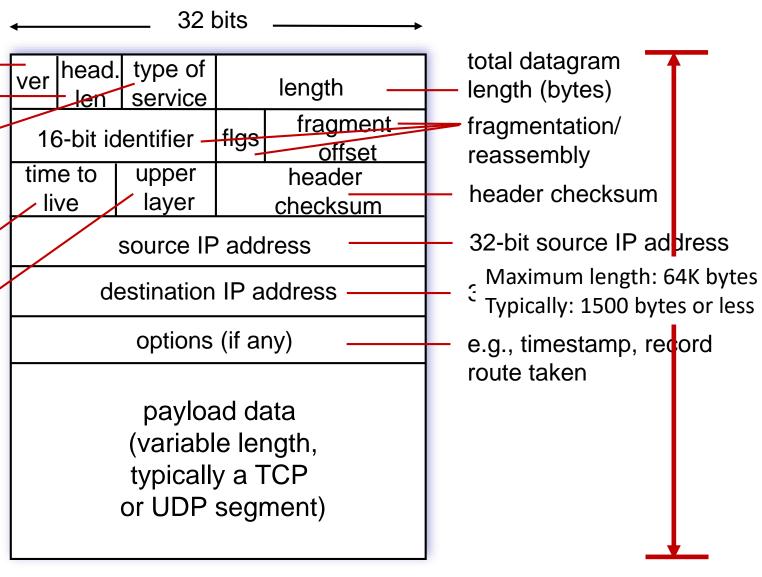
- diffserv (0:5)
- ECN (6:7)

TTL: remaining max hops (decremented at each router)

upper layer protocol (e.g., TCP or UDP)

overhead

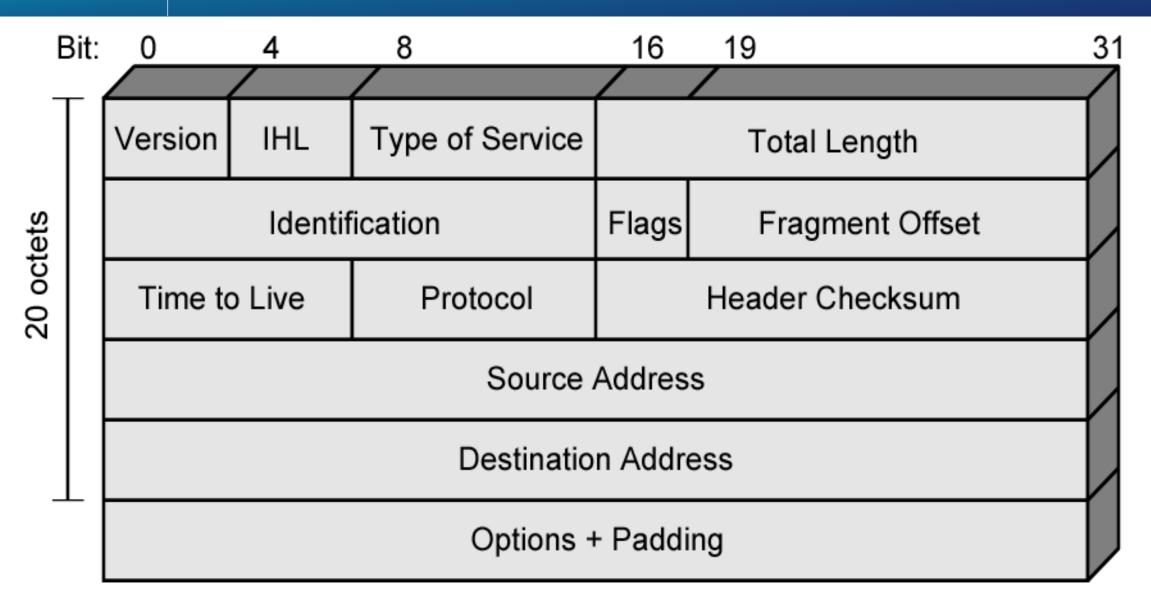
- 20 bytes of TCP
- 20 bytes of IP
- = 40 bytes + app layer overhead for TCP+IP



Network Layer: 4-31



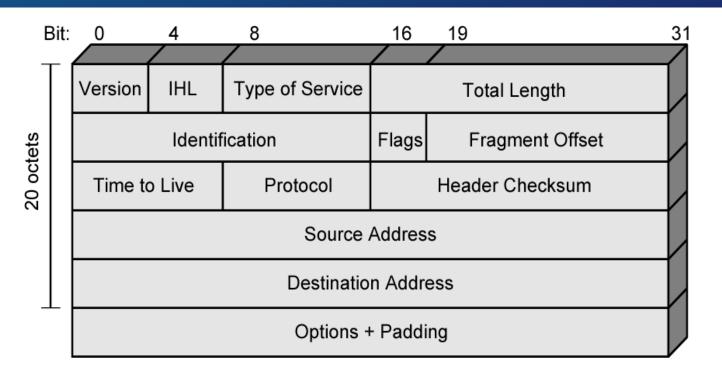
IPv4 Header





Header Fields (1)

- Version
 - We discuss 4
 - IP v6 later
- Internet header length
 - In 32 bit words
 - Including options
- Type of service
- Total length
 - Of datagram in octets





Header Fields (2)

- Identification
 - Sequence number

Used with addresses and user protocol to identify

Bit:

datagram uniquely

- Flags
 - More bit
 - Don't fragment
- Fragmentation offset
- Time to live
- Protocol

Version IHL Type of Service Total Length

Identification Flags Fragment Offset

Time to Live Protocol Header Checksum

Source Address

Destination Address

Options + Padding

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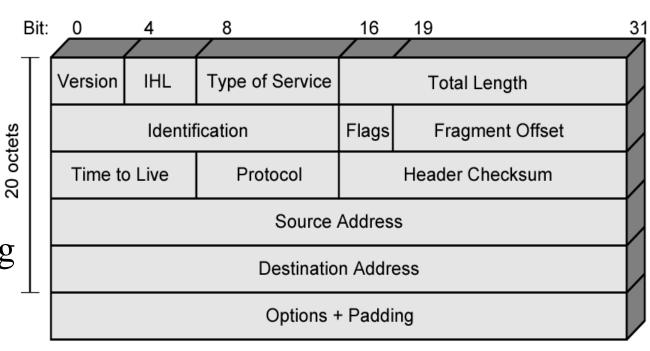
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• Next higher layer to receive data field at destination



Header Fields (3)

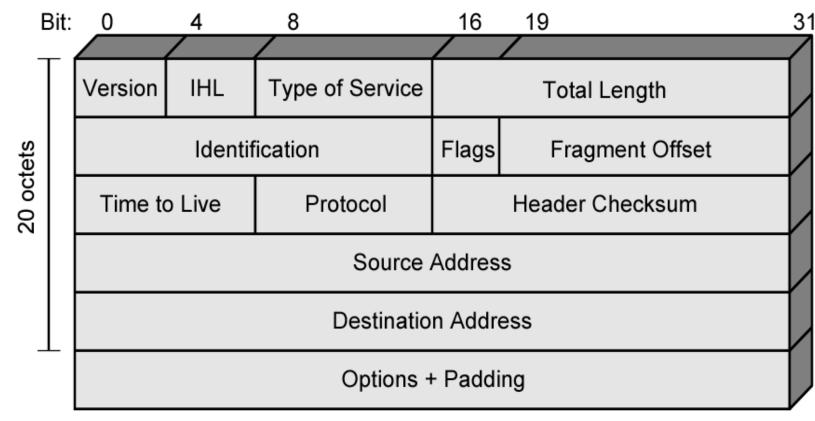
- Header checksum
 - Reverified and recomputed at each router
 - 16 bit ones complement sum of all 16 bit words in header
 - Set to zero during calculation
- Source address
- Destination address
- Options
- Padding
 - To fill to multiple of 32 bits long





Data Field

- Carries user data from next layer up
- Integer multiple of 8 bits long (octet)
- Max length of datagram (header plus data) 65,535 octets

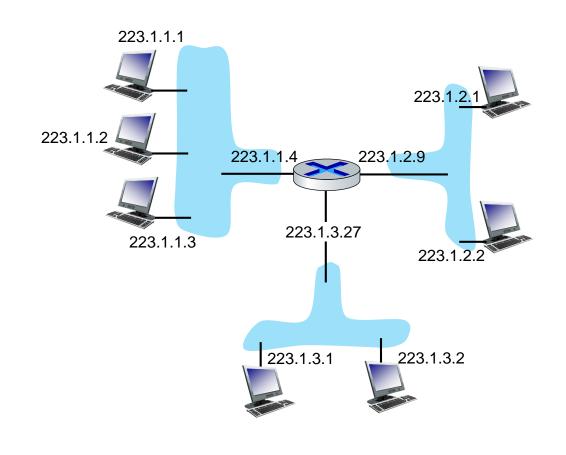


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IP addressing: introduction

- IP address: 32-bit identifier associated with each host or router *interface*
- Interface: connection between host/router and physical link
 - router's typically have multiple interfaces
 - host typically has one or two interfaces (e.g., wired Ethernet, wireless 802.11)



dotted-decimal IP address notation:

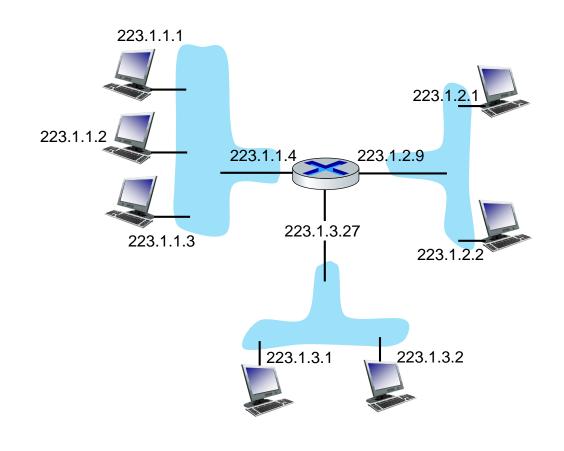
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Network Layer: 4-37



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Network Layer: 4-38



IP addressing: introduction

Q: how are interfaces actually connected?

A: We will not cover more details in this lecture

A: wired

Ethernet interfaces
connected by Ethernet
switches

223.1.1.1 223.1.2.1 223.1.1.4 223.1.2.9 223.1.3.27 223.1.1.3 223.1.3.1 223.1.3.2

A: wireless WiFi interfaces connected by WiFi base station

For now: don't need to worry about how one interface is connected to another (with no intervening router)



IPv4 Addressing

• IP Address

- 32-bit address
- Four 8-bit decimal values between 0 and 255 separated by periods (octets)

Subnet Mask

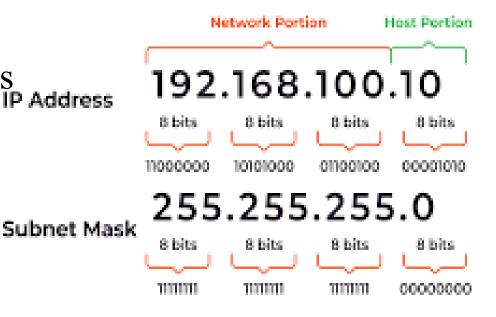
- 32-bit value of 0's and 1's
- 1's designate network bits, 0's are host bits

Network Host

Examples: IP Address 192.168.100.10

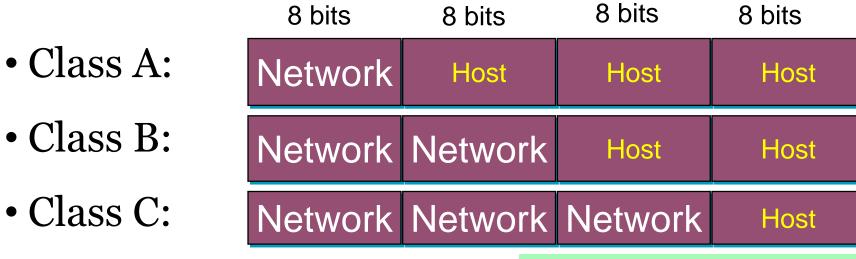
Subnet Mask **255.255.25.0**

Binary Notation of IP Address and Subnet

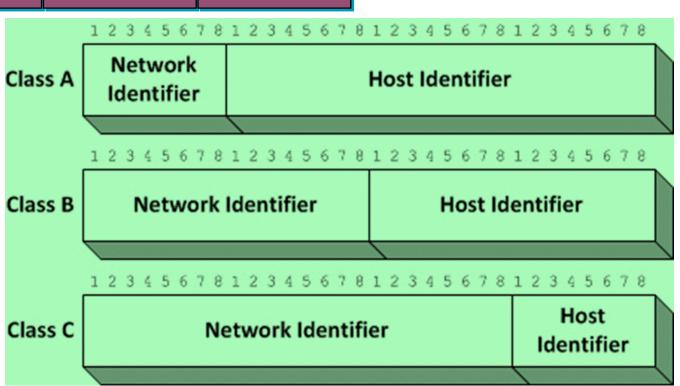




IP Addressing-Classes

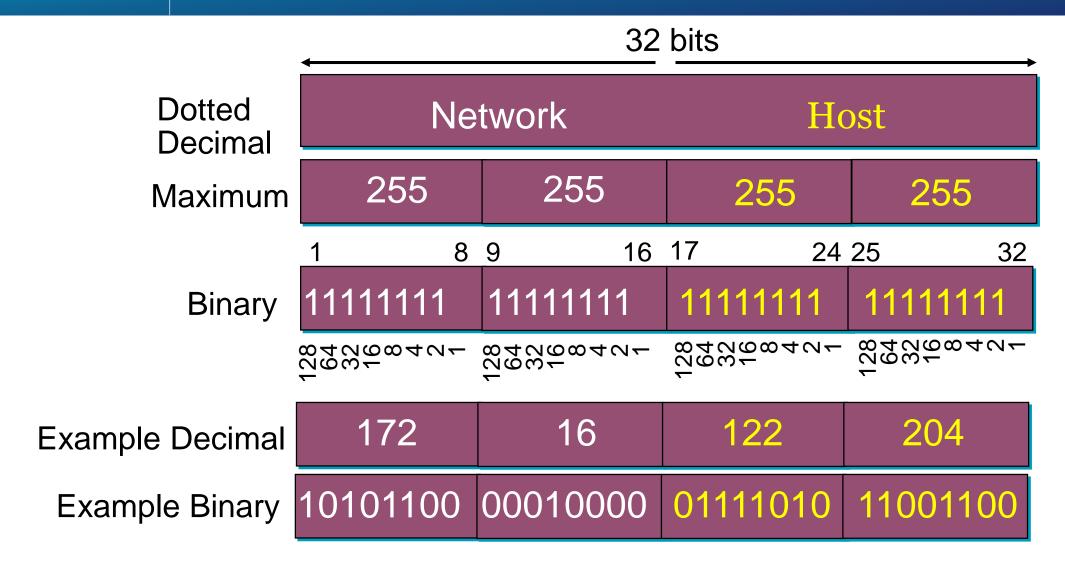


- Class D: Multicast
- Class E: Research



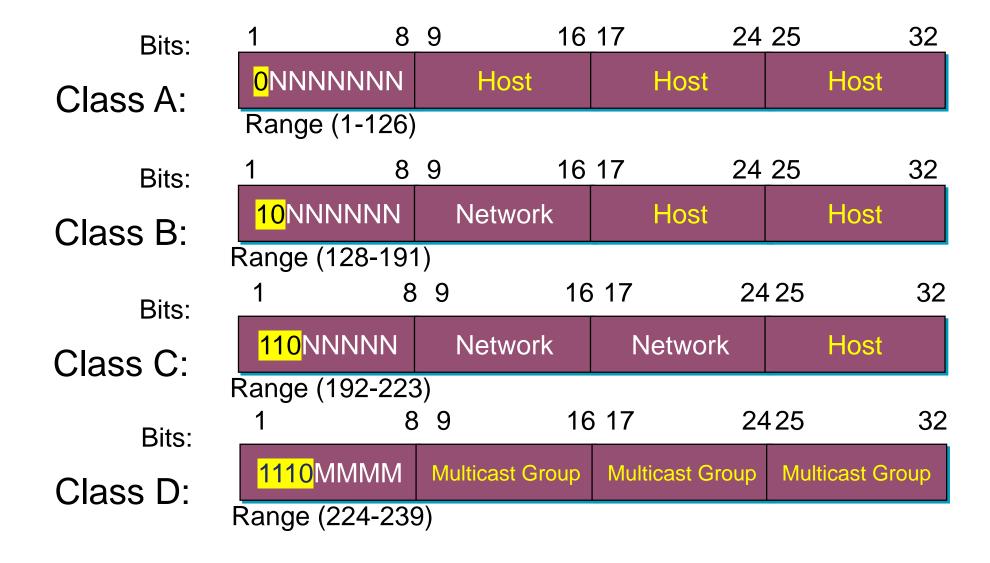


IP Addressing Formats



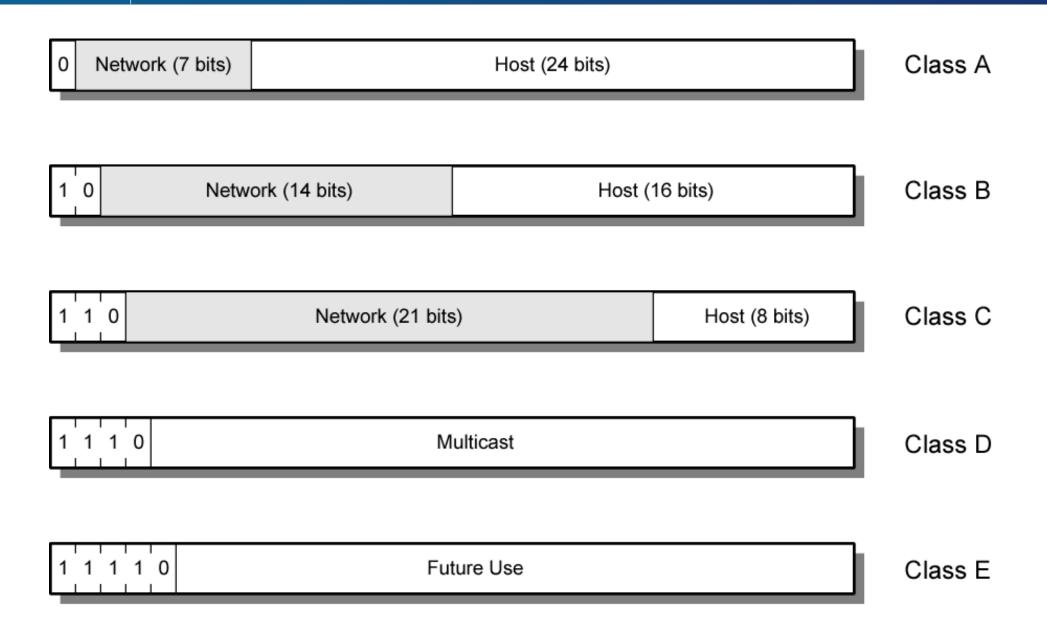


IP Addressing Formats





IPv4 Address Formats

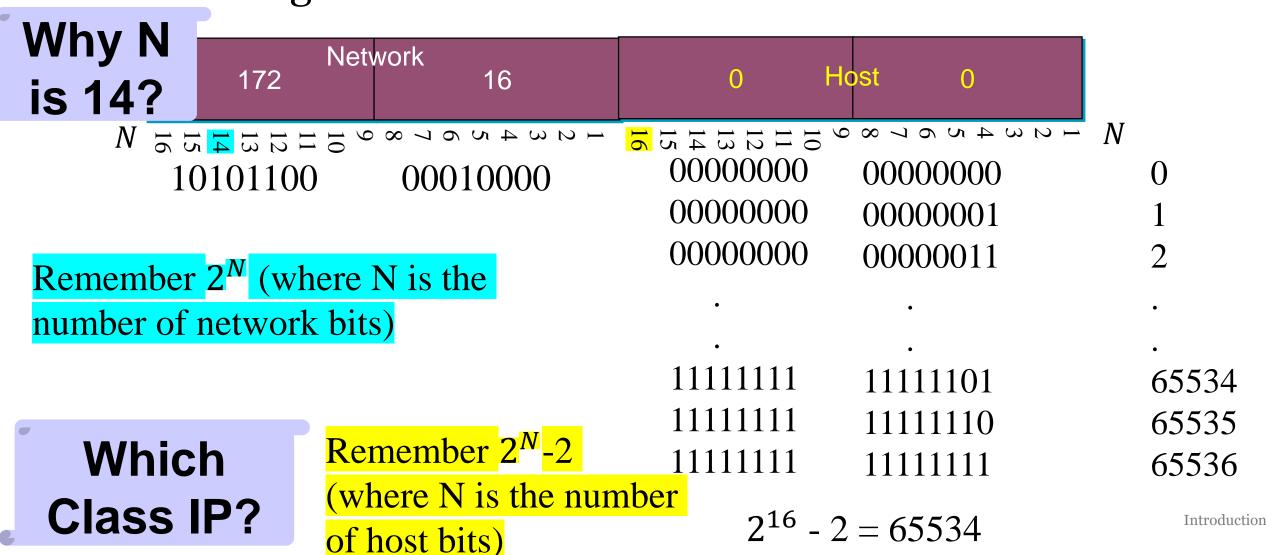


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Networks/Host Ranges

Determining Available Host Addresses





Networks/Host Ranges

IP Address Class	Class A	Class B	Class C
First bit values (binary)	0	10	110
First byte value (decimal)	0–127	128–191	192–223
Number of network identifier bits	8	16	24
Number of host identifier bits	24	16	8
Number of possible networks	126	16,384	2,097,152
Number of possible hosts	16,777,214	65,534	254



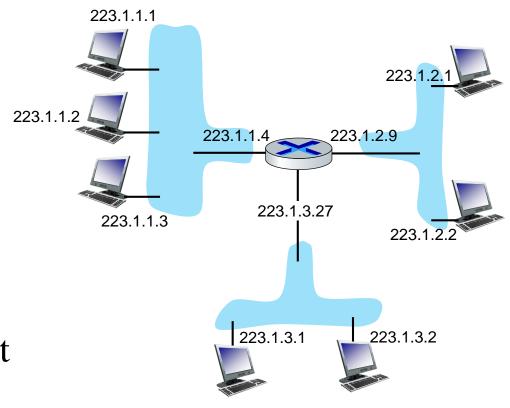
Subnets and Subnet Masks

- Allow arbitrary complexity of internetworked LANs within organization
- Insulate overall internet from growth of network numbers and routing complexity
- Site looks to rest of internet like single network
- Each LAN assigned subnet number
- Host portion of address partitioned into subnet number and host number
- Local routers route within subnetted network
- Subnet mask indicates which bits are subnet number and which are host number



Subnets

- What's a subnet?
 - device interfaces that can physically reach each other without passing through an intervening router
- IP addresses have structure:
 - subnet part: devices in same subnet have common high order bits
 - host part: remaining low order bits



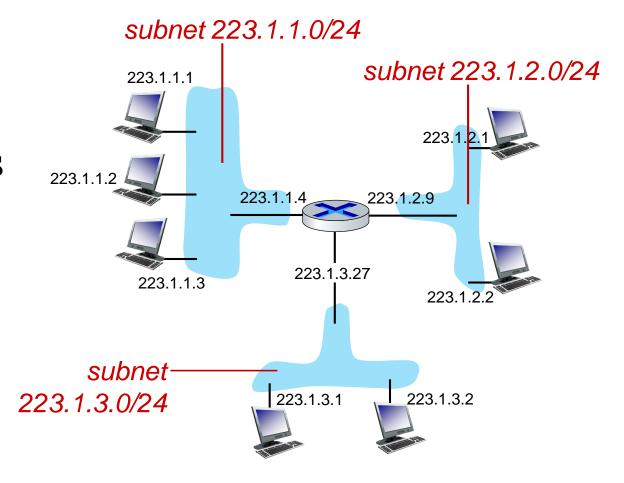
network consisting of 3 subnets



Subnets

Recipe for defining subnets:

- detach each interface from its host or router, creating "islands" of isolated networks
- each isolated network is called a *subnet*

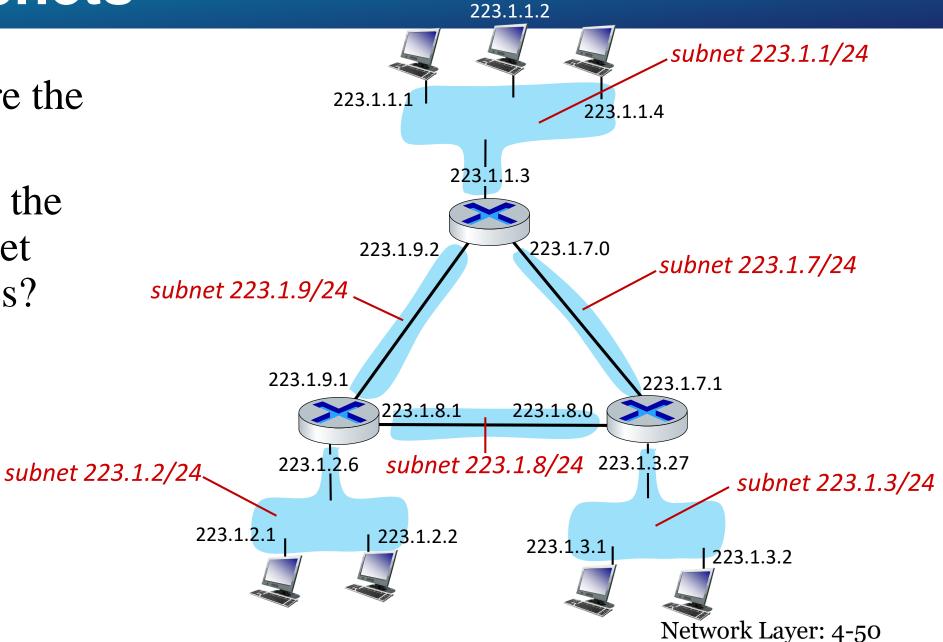


subnet mask: /24

(high-order 24 bits: subnet part of IP address)

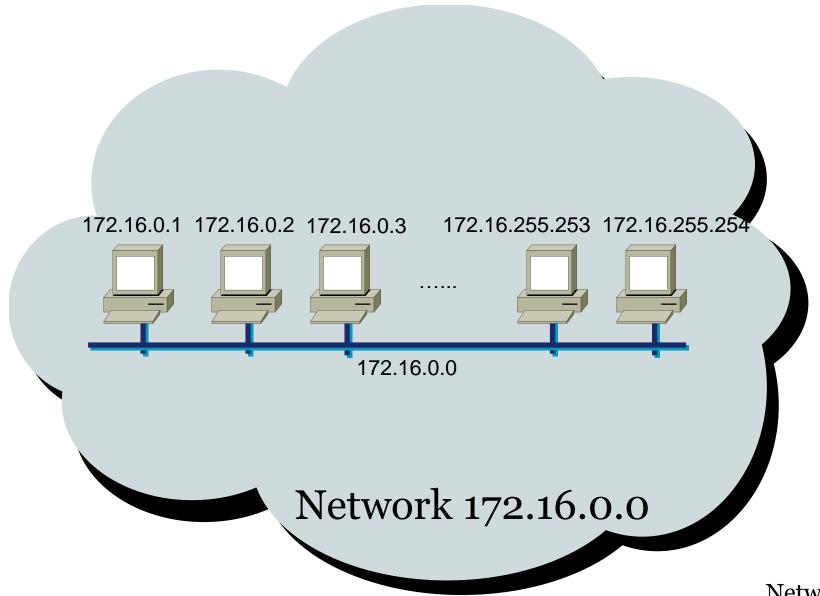
Subnets

- where are the subnets?
- what are the /24 subnet addresses?



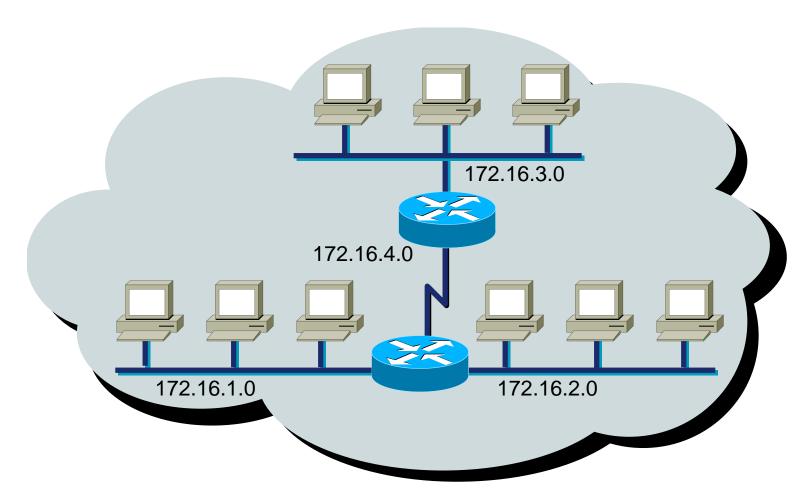


Addressing without Subnets





Addressing with Subnets



Network 172.16.0.0



IP addressing: CIDR

CIDR: Classless InterDomain Routing (pronounced "cider")

- subnet portion of address of arbitrary length
- address format: a.b.c.d/x
 - where x is the number of bits in subnet portion of address





IP addressing: CIDR

- Classful addressing was gradually phased out by a series of subnetting methods
 - Variable length subnet masking (VLSM)
 - Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR)
- CIDR is a subnetting method that enables administrators
 - to place the division between the network bits and the host bits anywhere in the address, not just between octets.
- VLSM is a technique used to allocate IP addresses efficiently by dividing a network into smaller subnets of varying sizes
- It is an extension of the traditional subnetting method, which divides a network into fixed-size subnets.

CIDR notation: 192.168.43.0/26

• Where the **/26** means 26 bits of the address are used as the network identifier

• This would allow us to divide this address into 4 networks, each with up to 62 hosts



CIDR 192.168.43.0/26 Networks

Network Address	Starting IP Address	Ending IP Address	Subnet Mask
192.168.43.0	192.168.43.1	192.168.43.62	255.255.255.192
192.168.43.64	192.168.43.65	192.168.43.126	255.255.255.192
192.168.43.128	192.168.43.129	192.168.43.190	255.255.255.192
192.168.43.192	192.168.43.193	192.168.43.254	255.255.255.192



Public and Private IPv4 Addressing

- Registered IP addresses are not necessary for workstations that merely access resources on the Internet
- The three blocks of addresses allocated for private use are as follows:
 - 10.0.0.0/8
 - 172.16.0.0/12
 - 192.168.0.0/16

- Localhost
 - In computer networking, localhost is a hostname that refers to the current computer used to access it
- Localhost address
 - 127.0.0.1
 - ping this IP address means the computer is communicating with itself



IPv4 Subnetting

- Allows you to split one IP address range into multiple networks
 - You can take the 10.0.0.0/8 private IP address range and use the entire second octet as a subnet ID).
- This creates up to 256 subnets with up to 65,536 hosts.
- The subnet masks will be 255.255.0.0 and the network addresses will proceed as follows:
 - 10.0.0.0/16
 - 10.1.0.0/16
 - 10.2.0.0/16

. . .

- 10.254.0.0/16
- 10.255.0.0/16

When you are working on an existing network, the subnetting process is more difficult.



Calculate IPv4 Subnets

- 1. Determine how many subnet identifier bits you need to create the required number of subnets
- 2. Subtract the subnet bits you need from the host bits and add them to the network bits
- 3. Calculate the subnet mask by adding the network and subnet bits in binary form and converting the binary value to decimal
- 4. Take the least significant subnet bit and the host bits, in binary form, and convert them to a decimal value
- 5. Increment the network identifier (including the subnet bits) by the decimal value you calculated to determine the network addresses of your new subnets.



Supernetting

• Allows contiguous networks to be added to a routing table with one entry to reduce the size of Internet routing tables.

• For example:

172.16.43.0/24

172.16.44.0/24

172.16.45.0/24

172.16.46.0/24

172.16.47.0/24

Important Points for Supernetting

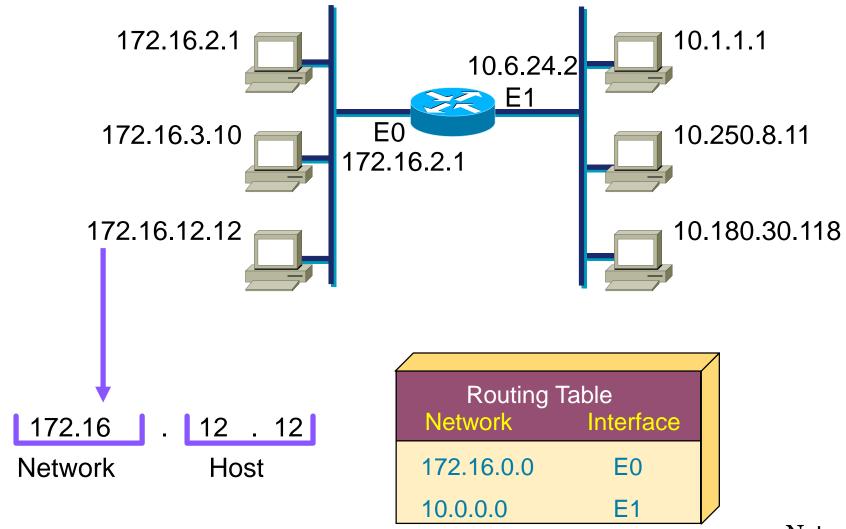
- •All the Networks should be contiguous.
- •The block size of every network should be equal and must be in form of 2ⁿ.
- •First Network ID should be exactly divisible by whole size of supernet.

• Can all be expressed in one supernet address: 172.16.40.0/21

More on supernetting here

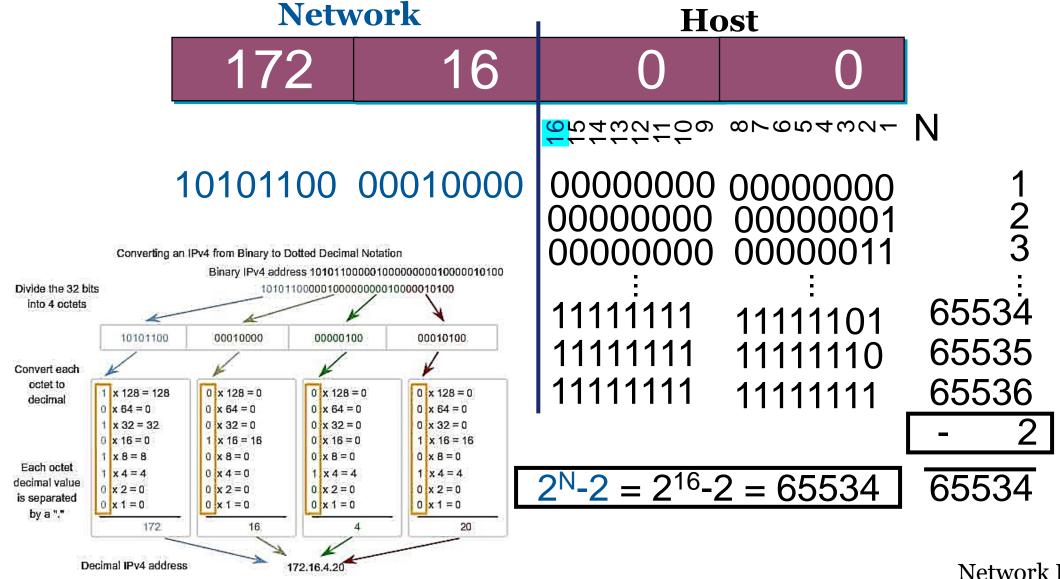


Host Addresses





Determining Available Host Addresses





IP Address Classes Exercise

Address	Class	Network	Host
10.2.1.1			
128.63.2.100			
201.222.5.64			
192.6.141.2			
130.113.64.16			
256.241.201.10			

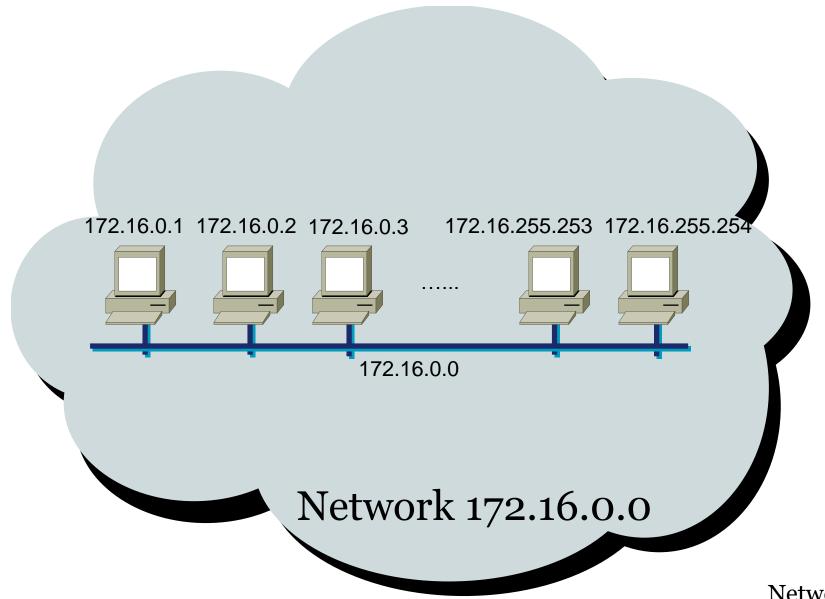


IP Address Classes Exercise Answers

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Address	Class	Network	Host
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128.63.2.100	В	128.63.0.0	0.0.2.100
201.222.5.64	С	201.222.5.0	0.0.0.64
192.6.141.2	С	192.6.141.0	0.0.0.2
130.113.64.16	В	130.113.0.0	0.0.64.16
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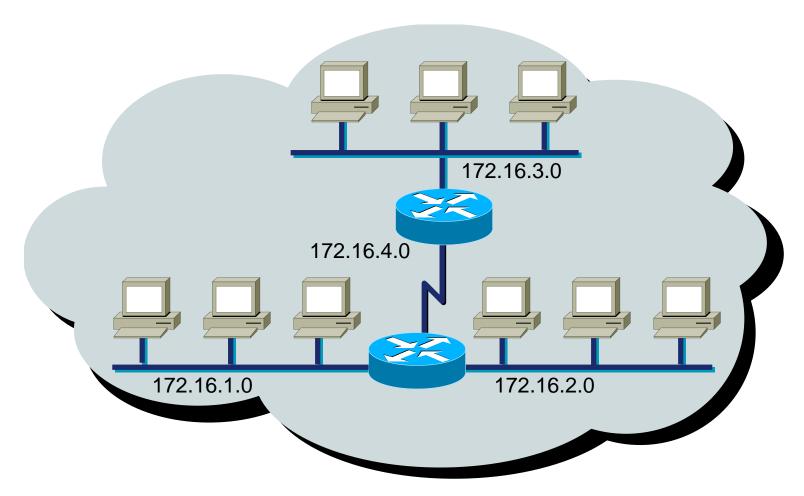


Addressing without Subnets - Recap





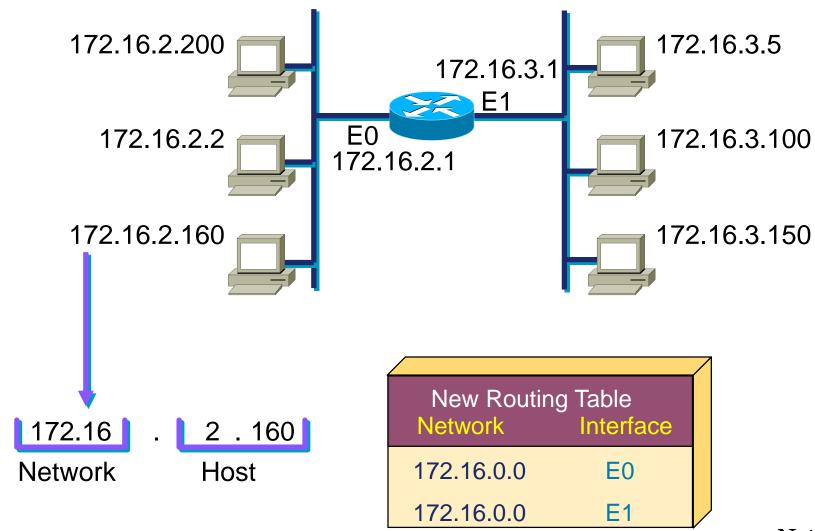
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Network 172.16.0.0

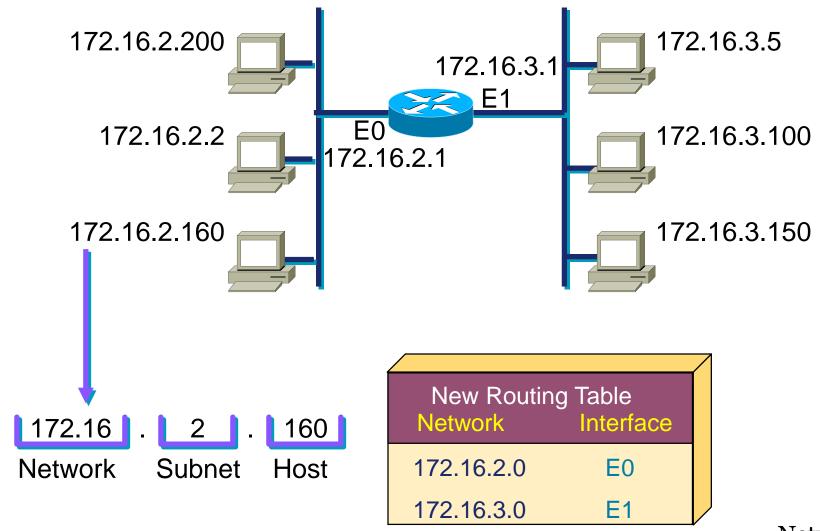


Subnet Addressing



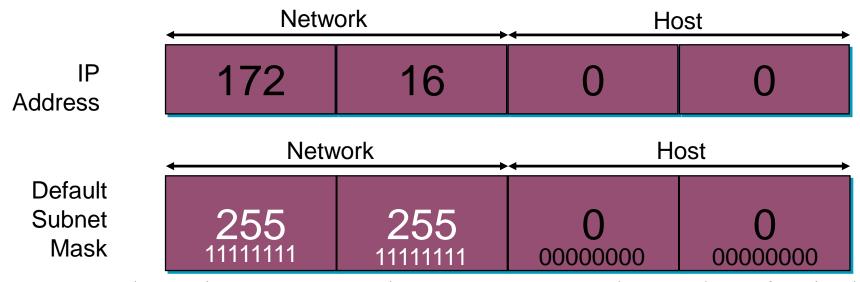


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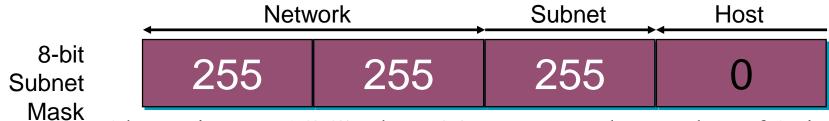




Subnet Mask



Also written as "/16" where 16 represents the number of 1s in the mask.



Also written as "/24" where 24 represents the number of 1s in the mask.



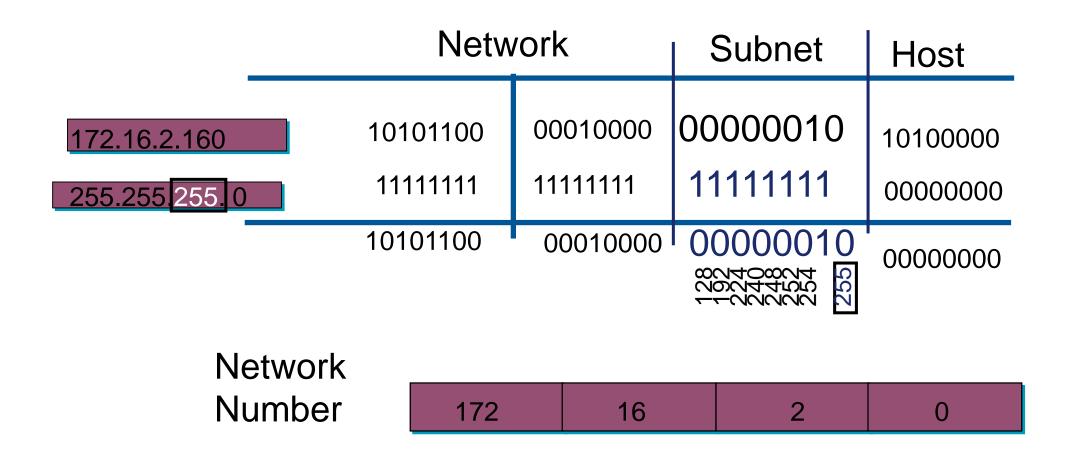
Subnet Mask without Subnets

	Network		Host	
172.16.2.160	10101100	00010000	00000010	10100000
255.255.0.0	11111111	11111111	00000000	00000000
	10101100	00010000	00000000	00000000
Network Number	172	16	0	0

Subnets not in use—the default



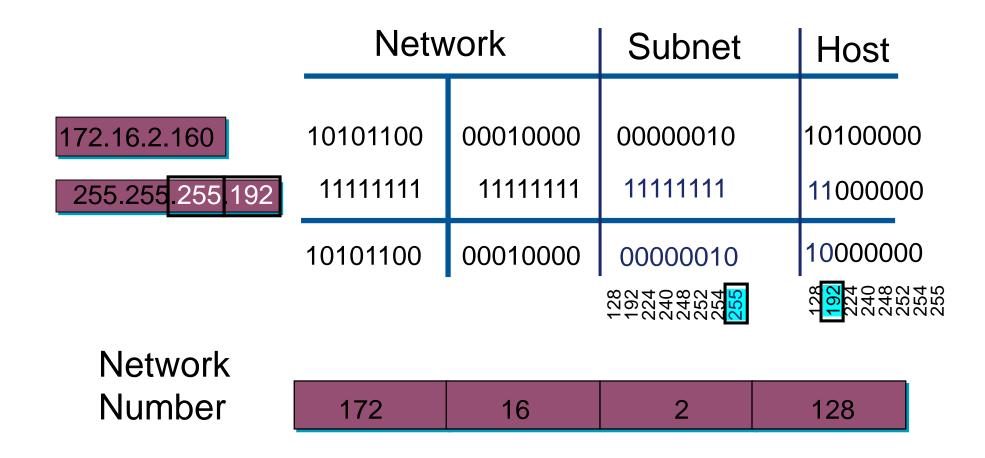
Subnet Mask with Subnets



Network number extended by eight bits



Subnet Mask with Subnets (cont.)



Network number extended by ten bits



Subnet Mask Exercise

Address	Subnet Mask	Class	Subnet
172.16.2.10	255.255.255.0		
10.6.24.20	255.255.240.0		
10.30.36.12	255.255.255.0		

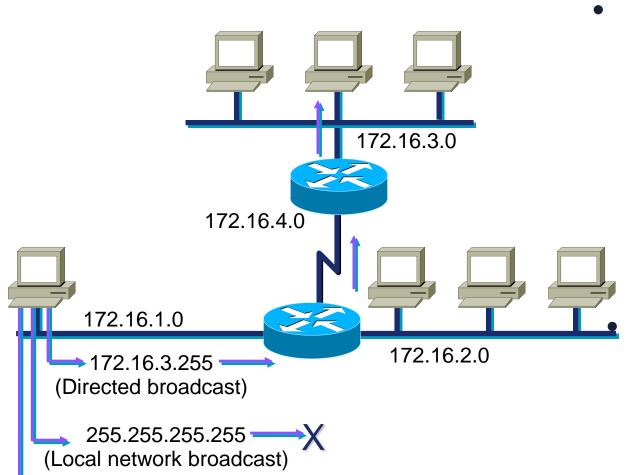


Subnet Mask Exercise Answers

Address	Subnet Mask	Class	Subnet
172.16.2.10	255.255.255.0	В	172.16.2.0
10.6.24.20	255.255.240.0	Α	10.6.16.0
10.30.36.12	255.255.255.0	Α	10.30.36.0



Broadcast Addresses



172.16.255.255 — (All subnets broadcast)

- Multicast transmits data to multiple receivers
 - online gaming
 - audio videos
 - **Unicast** is used for one-to-one communication.

The **anycast** addressing method forwards messages to a single device of a *specific group of devices*.

Broadcast is used to transmit data to all the devices on the same network, i.e., television networks



Special IPv4 Addresses

- There are certain addresses that cannot be assigned to hosts for various reasons
- There are also special addresses that can be assigned to hosts but with restrictions on how those hosts can interact within the network.

Loopback (27.0.0.0 to 127.255.255.255)

- The IPv4 loopback address 127.0.0.1
- The loopback is a special address that hosts use to direct traffic to themselves

Network and Broadcast Addresses

- Within each network the first and last addresses cannot be assigned to hosts
- These are the network address and the broadcast addresses.

Default Route

- The IPv4 default route as 0.0.0.0, which is used as a "catch all" route when a more specific route is not available
- The use of this address also reserves all addresses in the 0.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 (0.0.0.0 /8) address block.



Special IPv4 Addresses

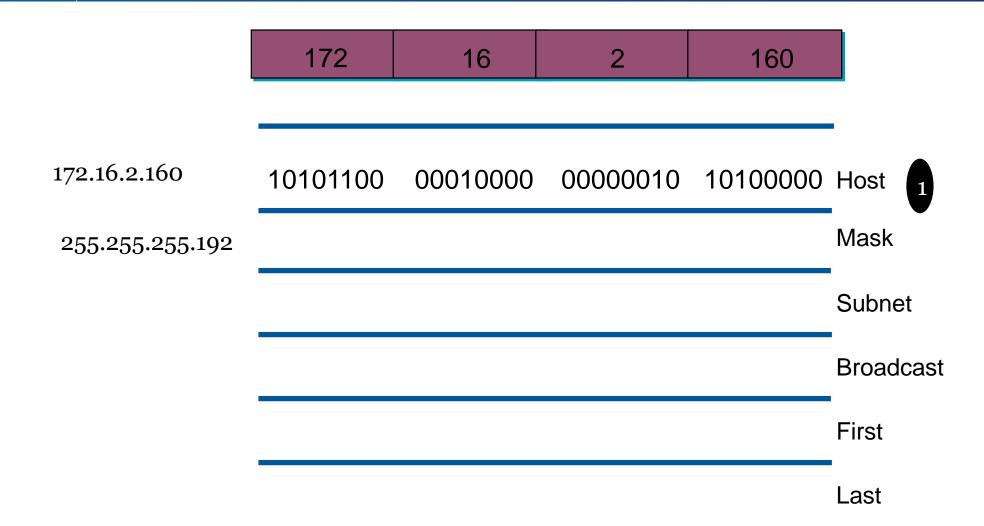
Link-Local Addresses

- IPv4 addresses in the address block 169.254.0.0 to 169.254.255.255 (169.254.0.0 /16) are designated as link-local addresses
- These addresses can be automatically assigned to the local host by the OS in environments where no IP configuration is available
- These might be used in a small peerto-peer network or for a host that could not automatically obtain an address from DHCP server.

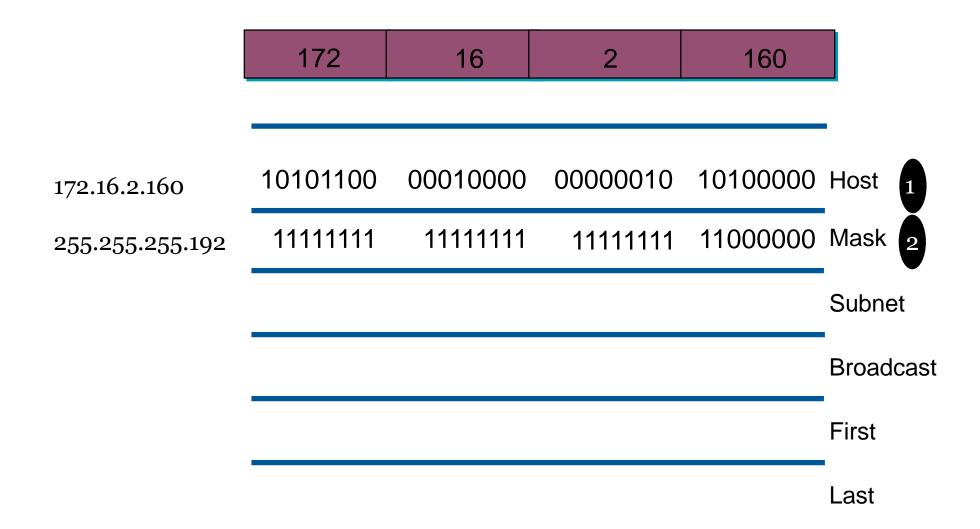
TEST-NET Addresses

The address block 192.0.2.0 to 192.0.2.255 (192.0.2.0 /24) is set aside for teaching and learning purposes These addresses can be used in documentation and network examples.

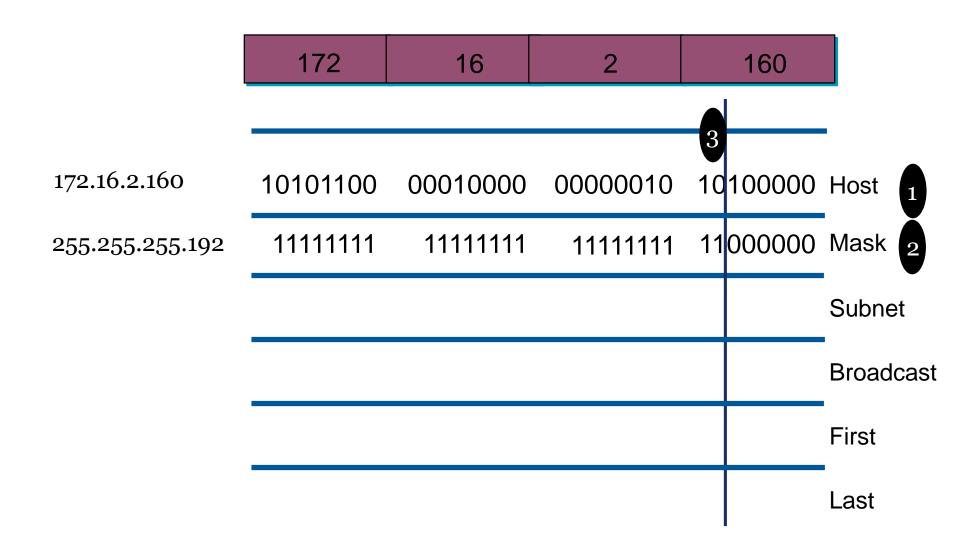




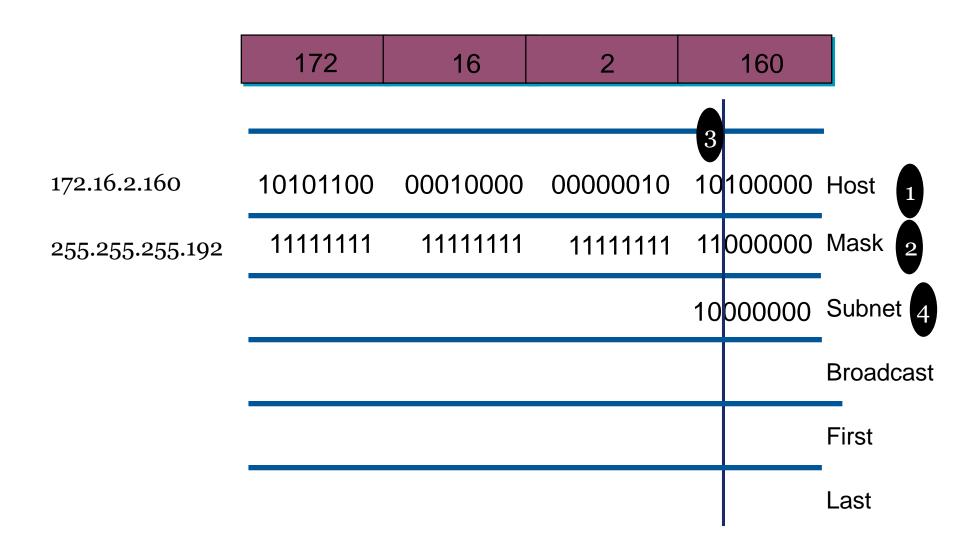




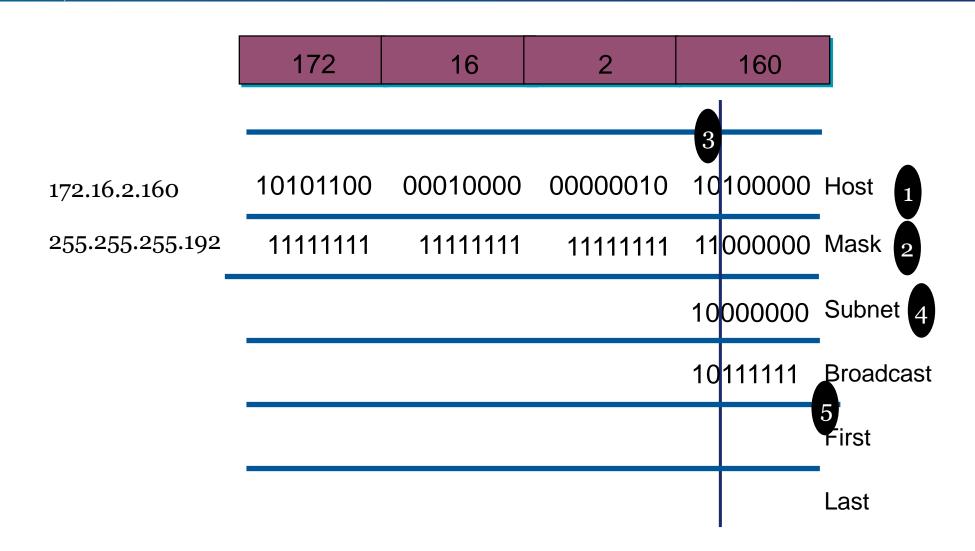




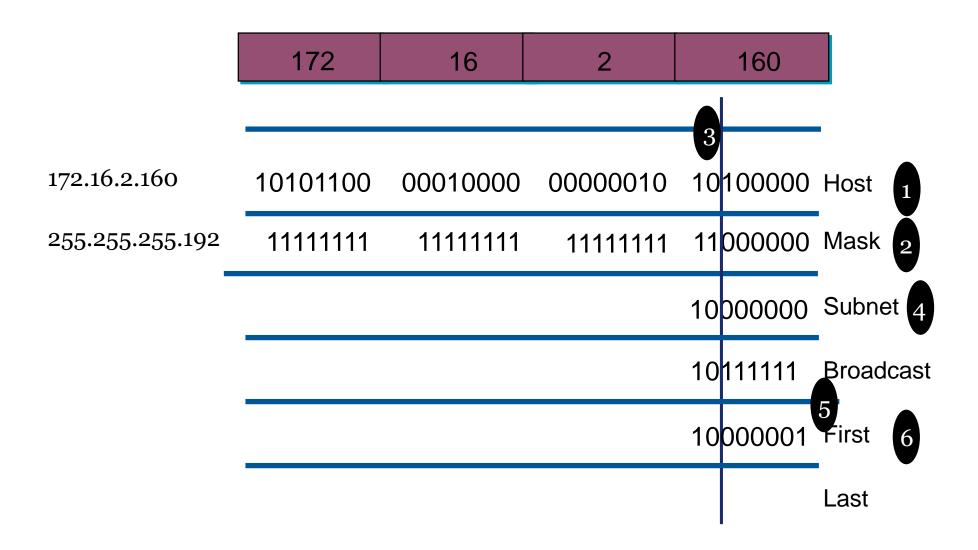




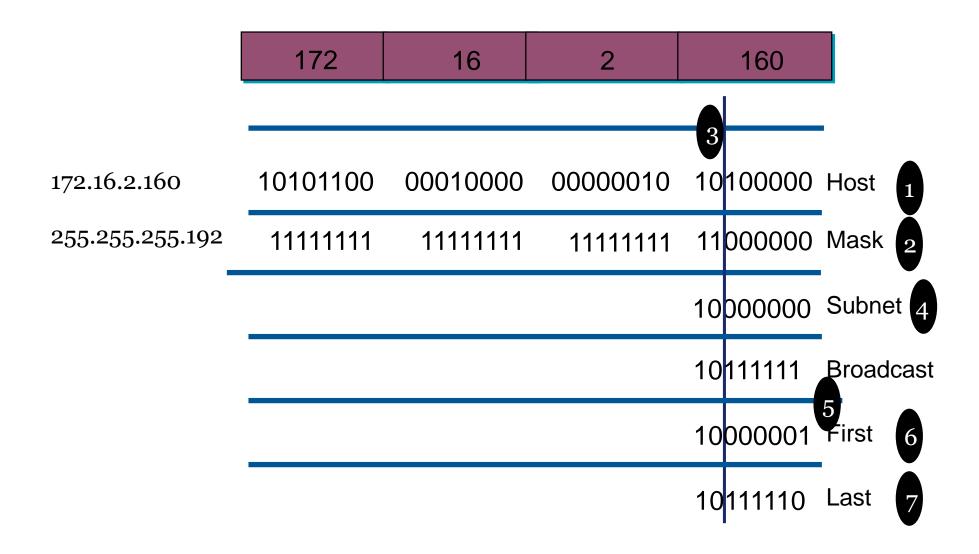




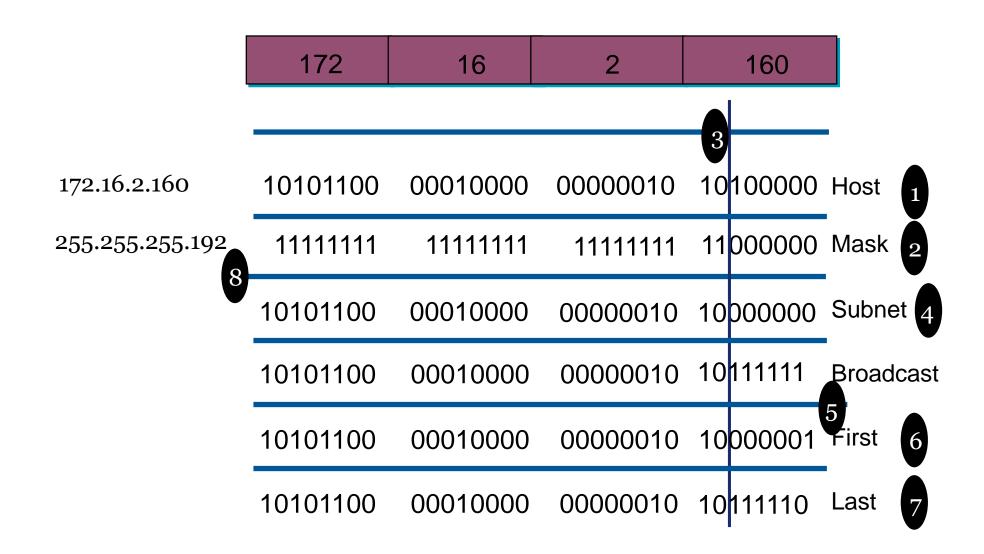




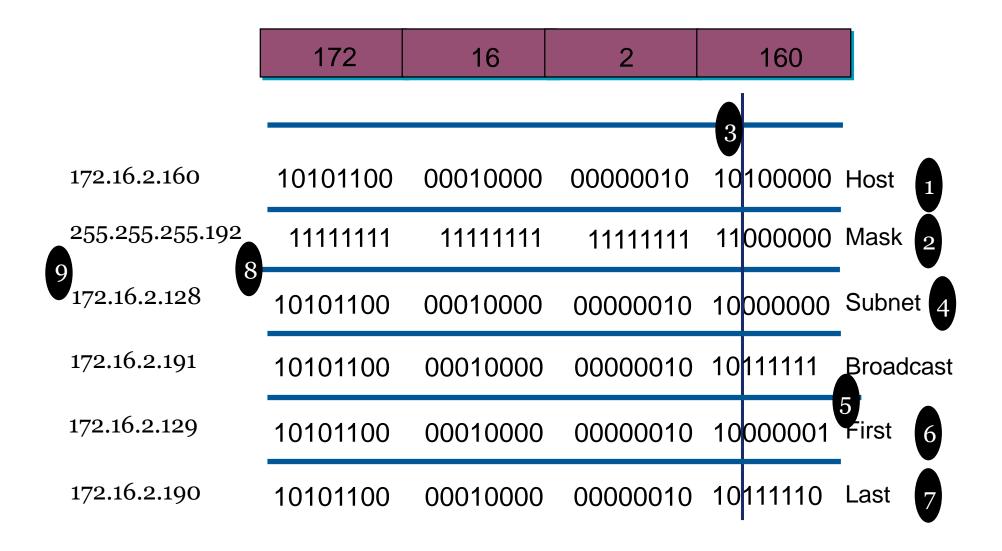














Class B Subnet Example

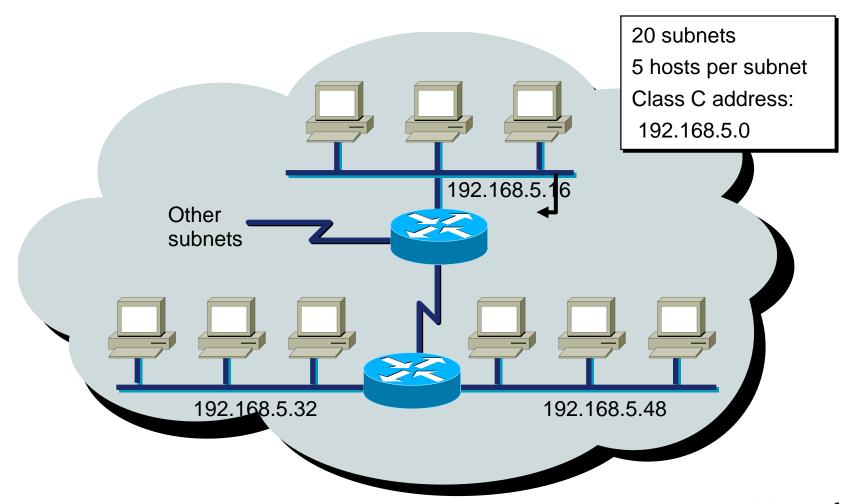
IP Host Address: 172.16.2.121 Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

	Network	Network	Subnet	Host
172.16.2.121: 255.255.255.0:		00010000 11111111	00000010 11111111	01111001 00000000
Subnet:	10101100	00010000	00000010	00000000
Broadcast:	10101100	00010000	00000010	11111111

- Subnet Address = 172.16.2.0
- Host Addresses = 172.16.2.1–172.16.2.254
- Broadcast Address = 172.16.2.255
- Eight bits of subnetting



Subnet Planning





Class C Subnet Planning Example

IP Host Address: 192.168.5.121 Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.248

	Network	Network	Network	Subnet	Host
192.168.5.121: 255.255.255.248:		10101000 11111111	00000101 11111111	01111 11111	
Subnet: Broadcast:	11000000 11000000	10101000 10101000	00000101 00000101		

- Subnet Address = 192.168.5.120
- Host Addresses = 192.168.5.121–192.168.5.126
- Broadcast Address = 192.168.5.127
- Five Bits of Subnetting



Broadcast Addresses Exercise

Address	Subnet Mask	Class	Subnet	Broadcast
201.222.10.60	255.255.255.248			
15.16.193.6	255.255.248.0			
128.16.32.13	255.255.252			
153.50.6.27	255.255.255.128			



Broadcast Addresses Exercise Answers

Address	Subnet Mask	Class	Subnet	Broadcast
201.222.10.6	0 255.255.255.248	С	201.222.10.56	201.222.10.63
15.16.193.6	255.255.248.0	Α	15.16.192.0	15.16.199.255
128.16.32.13	255.255.255.252	В	128.16.32.12	128.16.32.15
153.50.6.27	255.255.255.128	В	153.50.6.0	153.50.6.127



Manual IPv4 Address Configuration

- Manually enter IP address, subnet mask, default gateway and DNS servers.
- Use a GUI or command line.
- Not difficult, but it can be time consuming on a large network.
- Difficult to troubleshoot if information is entered incorrectly.



Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

- Client computers are configured to Obtain an IP address automatically.
- DHCP Servers on the network contain a pool of addresses and other IPv4 configuration.
- Clients request configuration at boot up.
- DHCP Servers respond to the requests.
- IPv4 configurations are leased for a period of time and renewed as necessary.
- No addresses are duplicated.



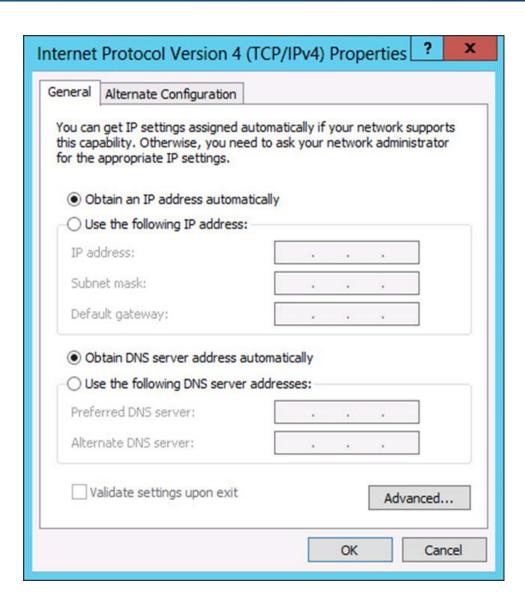
Assigning IPv4 Addresses

To assign IPv4 addresses, there are three basic methods:

- Manual configuration
- Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)
- Automatic Private IP Addressing (APIPA)



Assigning IPv4 Addresses





Automatic Private IP Addressing (APIPA)

- A DHCP failover mechanism used by all current Microsoft Windows operating systems.
- If a system fails to locate a DHCP server on the network, APIPA takes over and automatically assigns an address on the 169.254.0.0/16 network to the computer.
- For a small network that consists of only a single LAN, APIPA is a simple and effective alternative to installing a DHCP server.



IPv6 Addressing Rules

- 128 bits (or 16 bytes) long: four times as long as its predecessor.
- 2¹²⁸: about 340 billion billion billion billion different addresses
- Colon hexadecimal notation:
 - addresses are written using 32 hexadecimal digits.
 - digits are arranged into 8 groups of four to improve the readability.
 - Groups are separated by colons

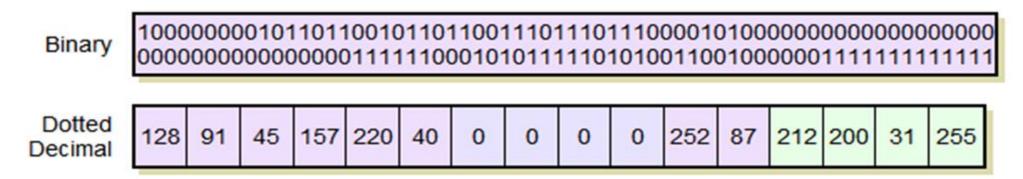
2001:0718:1c01:0016:020d:56ff:fe77:52a3

- Note:
 - DNS plays an important role in the IPv6 world
 - (manual typing of IPv6 addresses is not an easy thing,
 - Some **zero suppression rules** are allowed to lighten this task at least a little.



IPv6 Address Notation: Example

128.91.45.157.220.40.0.0.0.0.252.87.212.200.31.255



<u>Hexadecimal</u>		3	2	6	4	9	6 I			12
Straight Hex	805B	2D9D	DC28	0000	0000	FC57	D4	C8	1F	FF
Leading-Zero Suppressed	805B	2D9D	DC28	0	0	FC57	D4	C8	1F	FF
Zero- Compressed	805B	2D9D	DC28		:	FC57	D4	C8	1F	FF
Mixed Notation	805B	2D9D	DC28		:	FC57	212	200	31	255



Rule 1- IPv6 Zero Suppression

- Some types of addresses contain long sequences of zeros.
- To further simplify the representation of IPv6 addresses, a contiguous sequence of 16-bit blocks set to 0 in the colon hexadecimal format can be compressed to "::", known as double-colon.
- For example:
 - link-local address
 - FE80:0:0:0:2AA:FF:FE9A:4CA2 → FE80::2AA:FF:FE9A:4CA2.
 - multicast address
 - FF02:0:0:0:0:0:0:2 \rightarrow FF02::2
 - loopback address
 - 0:0:0:0:0:0:0:1 \rightarrow ::1



Rule 1- IPv6 Zero Suppression

- Zero compression can only be used to compress a single contiguous series of 16-bit blocks expressed in colon hexadecimal notation.
- You cannot use zero compression to include part of a 16-bit block.
- For example,
 - cannot express FF02:30:0:0:0:0:0:5 as FF02:3::5
 - correct representation = FF02:30::5
- Leading zeroes in every group can be omitted.

2001:718:1c01:16:20d:56ff:fe77:52a3

Rule 1- IPv6 Zero Suppression

- To determine the number of 0 bits represented by the "::"
 - 1. count the number of blocks in the compressed address
 - 2. (-) subtract this number from 8
 - 3. (*) multiply the result by 16.

For example

- 1. FF02::2
- 2. two blocks "FF02" block and "2" block.
- 3. The number of bits expressed by the "::" is $96 (96 = (8-2) \times 16)$.
- Zero compression can only be used once in a given address.
 - Otherwise, you could not determine the number of 0 bits represented by each instance of "::".

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IPv6 Prefixes

- The prefix is the part of the address that indicates the bits that have fixed values or are the bits of the subnet prefix.
- Prefixes for IPv6 subnets, routes, and address ranges are expressed in the same way as Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) notation for IPv4.
- An IPv6 prefix is written in address/prefix-length notation.
 - For example, 21DA:D3::/48 and 21DA:D3:0:2F3B::/64 are IPv6 address prefixes.
- **Note** IPv4 implementations commonly use a dotted decimal representation of the network prefix known as the subnet mask.
- A subnet mask is not used for IPv6. Only the prefix length notation is supported.



IPv6 and Subnetting

- The only acceptable form to represent a network mask in IPv6 is CIDR notation.
- Although IPv6 addresses are in hexadecimal format, the network mask value is still a decimal value.

IPv6 Prefix	Description
2001:410:0:1:0:0:0:45FF/128	Represents a subnet with only one IPv6 address.
2001:410:0:1::/64	Network prefix 2001:410:0:1::/64 can handle 2 ⁶⁴ nodes. This is the default prefix length for a subnet.
2001:410:0::/48	Network prefix 2001:410:0::/48 can handle 2 ¹⁶ network prefixes of 64-bit. This is the default prefix length for a site.

