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## Experiment No. 2

**Title: Study of basic network administration commands and network configuration.**

**AIM:** Study networking commands –ping, traceroute, nslookup, arp, rarp, netstat, telnet.

### Expected Outcome of Experiment:

1. Understand the fundamentals of network administration.

### Books/ Journals/ Websites referred:

1. *Linux Lab - Open source Technology : Ambavade –Dreamtech*
2. <http://manpages.ubuntu.com/manpages/trusty/man8/rarp.8.html>
3. <http://computernetworkingnotes.com/comptia-n-plus-study-guide/network-tool-command.html>

### Pre Lab/ Prior Concepts: Computer Network

**New Concepts to be learned:** Command line operation to handle networks.

Computers are connected in a network to exchange information or resources each other. Two or more computer connected through network media called computer network. There are number of network devices or media are involved to form computer network. Computer loaded with Windows and Linux Operating System can also be a part of network whether it is small or large network by its multitasking and multiuser natures. Maintaining of system and network up and running is a task of System / Network Administrator's job.

Frequently used network configuration and troubleshoot commands in Linux/Windows are as follows:

## 1. IFCONFIG/ IPCONFIG

ifconfig (interface configurator) command is use to initialize an interface, assign IP Address to interface and enable or disable interface on demand. With this command you can view IP Address and Hardware / MAC address assign to interface and also MTU (Maximum transmission unit) size.

ifconfig with interface (eth0) command only shows specific interface details like IP Address, MAC Address etc. with -a options will display all available interface details if it is disable also.

Syntax: `# ifconfig eth0`

**To enable** or **disable** specific Interface, we use example command as follows.

Enable eth0: `# ifup eth0`

Disable eth0: `# ifdown eth0`

To Setting MTU Size:

By default, MTU size is 1500. We can set required MTU size with below command.

Replace XXXX with size.

Syntax: `# ifconfig eth0 mtu XXXX`

Set Interface in Promiscuous mode.

Network interface only received packets belongs to that particular NIC. If you put interface in promiscuous mode, it will receive all the packets. This is very useful to capture packets and analyse later. For this you may require superuser access.

Syntax: `# ifconfig eth0 - promisc`

## 2. PING

PING (Packet INternet Groper) command is the best way to test connectivity between two nodes. Whether it is Local Area Network (LAN) or Wide Area Network (WAN). Ping use ICMP (Internet Control Message Protocol) to communicate to other devices.

It verifies IP-level connectivity to another TCP/IP computer by sending Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) Echo Request messages. The receipt of corresponding Echo Reply messages are displayed, along with round-trip times. Ping is the primary TCP/IP

command used to troubleshoot connectivity, reachability, and name resolution.

ping [-c count] [-i wait] [-l preload][-s packetsize] host

-c count

Stop after sending (and receiving) count ECHO\_RESPONSE packets.

-i wait

Wait wait seconds between sending each packet. The default is to wait for one second between each packet. This option is incompatible with the -f option.

-l preload

If preload is specified, ping sends that many packets as fast as possible before falling into its normal mode of behavior.

-s packetsize

Specifies the number of data bytes to be sent. The default is 56, which translates into 64 ICMP data bytes when combined with the 8 bytes of ICMP header data.

PING Command Example:

```
# ping 4.2.2.2
```

```
# ping -c 5 www.tecmint.com
```

### 3. TRACEROUTE/ TRACERT

tracert is a network troubleshooting utility which shows number of hops taken to reach destination also determine packets traveling path. Below we are tracing route to global DNS server IP Address and able to reach destination also shows path of that packet is traveling.

Syntax:

**tracert [-d] [-h MaximumHops] [-j HostList] [-w Timeout] [TargetName]**

#### Parameters

**-d** : Prevents tracert from attempting to resolve the IP addresses of intermediate routers to their names. This can speed up the display of tracert results.

**-h**: MaximumHops Specifies the maximum number of hops in the path to search for the target (destination). The default is 30 hops.

**-j**: HostList Specifies that Echo Request messages use the Loose Source Route option in the IP header with the set of intermediate destinations specified in HostListThe HostList is a series of IP addresses (in dotted decimal notation) separated by spaces.

**-w** : Timeout Specifies the amount of time in milliseconds to wait for the ICMP Time Exceeded or Echo Reply message corresponding to a given Echo Request message to be received. If not received within the time-out, an asterisk (\*) is displayed. The default time-out is 4000 (4 seconds).

#### 4. NETSTAT command

Displays active TCP connections, ports on which the computer is listening, Ethernet statistics, the IP routing table, IPv4 statistics (for the IP, ICMP, TCP, and UDP protocols), and IPv6 statistics (for the IPv6, ICMPv6, TCP over IPv6, and UDP over IPv6 protocols).

Netstat provides statistics for the following:

**Proto** - The name of the protocol (TCP or UDP).

**Local Address** - The IP address of the local computer and the port number being used. The name of the local computer that corresponds to the IP address and the name of the port is shown unless the -n parameter is specified. If the port is not yet established, the port number is shown as an asterisk (\*).

**Foreign Address** - The IP address and port number of the remote computer to which the socket is connected. The names that correspond to the IP address and the port are shown unless the -n parameter is specified. If the port is not yet established, the port number is shown as an asterisk (\*).

**(state)** Indicates the state of a TCP connection. The possible states are as follows:

CLOSE\_WAIT  
CLOSED  
ESTABLISHED  
FIN\_WAIT\_1  
FIN\_WAIT\_2  
LAST\_ACK  
LISTEN  
SYN\_RECEIVED  
SYN\_SEND  
TIMED\_WAIT

Syntax

**netstat [-a] [-e] [-n] [-o] [-p Protocol] [-r] [-s] [Interval]**

Parameters

Used without parameters, netstat displays active TCP connections.

**-a** Displays all active TCP connections and the TCP and UDP ports on which the computer is listening.

-e Displays Ethernet statistics, such as the number of bytes and packets sent and received. This parameter can be combined with -s.

-n Displays active TCP connections, however, addresses and port numbers are expressed numerically, and no attempt is made to determine names.

-o Displays active TCP connections and includes the process ID (PID) for each connection.

-p Shows connections for the protocol specified by Protocol.

-s Displays statistics by protocol. By default, statistics are shown for the TCP, UDP, ICMP, and IP protocols. If the IPv6 protocol for Windows XP is installed, statistics are shown for the TCP over IPv6, UDP over IPv6, ICMPv6, and IPv6 protocols. The -p parameter can be used to specify a set of protocols.

-r Displays the contents of the IP routing table.

Netstat (Network Statistic) command display connection info, routing table information etc. To displays routing table information use option as -r.

```
# netstat -r
```

## 5. DIG

Dig (domain information groper) query DNS related information like A Record, CNAME, MX Record etc. This command mainly uses to troubleshoot DNS related query.

```
# dig www. Ipadress.com
```

## 6. NSLOOKUP

The name "nslookup" means "name server lookup". nslookup is a network administration command-line tool available for many computer operating systems for querying the Domain Name System (DNS) to obtain domain name or IP address mapping or for any other specific DNS record. It displays information from Domain Name System (DNS) name servers.

nslookup command also use to find out DNS related query.

### Example:

```
C:\Documents and Settings\sysadm>nslookup itu.dk  
Server: ns3.inet.tele.dk  
Address: 193.162.153.164
```

Non-authoritative answer:

Name: itu.dk

Address: 130.226.133.2

# nslookup www. Google.com

## 7. ROUTE

Route command also shows and manipulate ip routing table. To see default routing table in Linux, type the following command.

# route

## 8. ARP

When we need an Ethernet (MAC) address we can use arp(address resolution protocol). In other words it shows the physical address of an host.

Syntax

**arp [-a [InetAddr] [-N IfaceAddr]] [-g [InetAddr] [-N IfaceAddr]] [-d InetAddr [IfaceAddr]] [-s InetAddr EtherAddr [IfaceAddr]]**

Parameters

Used without parameters, ping displays help

-a [InetAddr] [-N IfaceAddr] Displays current ARP cache tables for all interfaces.

-g [InetAddr] [-N IfaceAddr] Identical to -a.

-d InetAddr [IfaceAddr] Deletes an entry with a specific IP address, where InetAddr is the IP address.

-s InetAddr EtherAddr [IfaceAddr] Adds a static entry to the ARP cache that resolves the IP address InetAddr to the physical address EtherAddr.

To add a static ARP cache entry to the table for a specific interface, use the IfaceAddr parameter where IfaceAddr is an IP address assigned to the interface

ARP (Address Resolution Protocol) is useful to view / add the contents of the kernel's ARP tables. To see default table use the command as.

# arp -e

Address	HWtype	HWaddress	Flags	Mask	Iface
192.168.50.1	ether	00:50:56:c0:00:08	C		eth0

## 9 . ETHTOOL

ethtool is a replacement of mii-tool. It is to view, setting speed and duplex of your Network Interface Card (NIC). You can set duplex permanently in /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth0 with ETHTOOL\_OPTS variable.

Syntax: # ethtool eth0

## 10. TELNET

The telnet command is used to communicate with another host using the TELNET protocol. If telnet is invoked without the host argument, it enters command mode, indicated by its prompt (telnet> ) In this mode, it accepts and executes the commands listed below. If it is invoked with arguments, it performs an open command with those arguments.

To login to a remote machine, use this syntax:

% **telnet** <hostname>

The options are as follows:

- 8 Specifies an 8-bit data path. This causes an attempt to negotiate the TELNET BINARY option on both input and output.
- E Stops any character from being recognized as an escape character.
- K Specifies no automatic login to the remote system.

## 11. HOSTNAME

hostname is to identify in a network. Execute hostname command to see the hostname of your box. You can set hostname permanently in /etc/sysconfig/network. Need to reboot box once set a proper hostname.

# hostname

## 12. SYSTEMINFO

**Display information about a system.**





4. Traceroute :- The traceroute command attempts to trace the route an IP packet follows to an Internet host

```
C:\Users\kjsce_comp45>tracert www.google.com

Tracing route to www.google.com [142.250.207.164]
over a maximum of 30 hops:

  0  2 ms    2 ms    2 ms  172.17.15.254
  1  <1 ms   <1 ms   <1 ms  172.17.52.242
  2  <1 ms   <1 ms   11 ms  172.30.250.250
  3  21 ms   <1 ms   <1 ms  152.52.34.129
  4  4 ms    3 ms    2 ms  128.19.195.57
  5  3 ms    3 ms    3 ms  116.119.161.135
  6  5 ms    5 ms    5 ms  72.14.212.48
  7  22 ms   4 ms    3 ms  142.251.225.67
  8  3 ms    3 ms    3 ms  142.250.214.111
  9  3 ms    3 ms    3 ms  pnbomb-bl-in-f4.1e100.net [142.250.207.164]

Trace complete.
```

5. Nslookup :- The nslookup command is a command-line utility used for querying the Domain Name System (DNS) to obtain information about domain names, IP addresses, and other DNS records.

```
C:\Users\kjsce_comp45>nslookup www.google.com
Server:  svvpdc.svv.local
Address:  172.31.0.25

Non-authoritative answer:
Name:     www.google.com
Addresses: 2404:6800:4009:828::2004
          142.250.192.100
```

7. Route :- The route command is used to view and manipulate the IP routing table.

```

C:\Users\kjsce_comp45>route PRINT

Interface List
10...d8 cb 8a 8d 15 7a .....Realtek(R) PCI(e) Ethernet Controller
1.....Software Loopback Interface 1

IPv4 Route Table

Active Routes:
Network Destination        Netmask          Gateway          Interface        Metric
0.0.0.0                    0.0.0.0          172.17.15.254    172.17.14.70     281
127.0.0.0                  255.0.0.0        On-link          127.0.0.1        331
127.0.0.1                  255.255.255.255  On-link          127.0.0.1        331
127.255.255.255            255.255.255.255  On-link          127.0.0.1        331
172.17.14.0                255.255.254.0    On-link          172.17.14.70     281
172.17.14.70               255.255.255.255  On-link          172.17.14.70     281
172.17.15.255              255.255.255.255  On-link          172.17.14.70     281
224.0.0.0                  240.0.0.0        On-link          127.0.0.1        331
224.0.0.0                  240.0.0.0        On-link          172.17.14.70     281
255.255.255.255            255.255.255.255  On-link          127.0.0.1        331
255.255.255.255            255.255.255.255  On-link          172.17.14.70     281

Persistent Routes:
Network Address        Netmask  Gateway Address  Metric
0.0.0.0                0.0.0.0  172.17.15.254    Default

IPv6 Route Table

Active Routes:
If Metric Network Destination      Gateway
1 331 ::1/128                      On-link
10 281 fe80::/64                    On-link
10 281 fe80::20bb:163e:e3f5:fc8b/128 On-link
1 331 ff00::/8                      On-link
10 281 ff00::/8                      On-link
  
```

8. Getmac :- The getmac command is a built-in Windows command-line utility used to display the Media Access Control (MAC) address of a computer's network adapters.

```

C:\Users\kjsce_comp45>getmac

Physical Address    Transport Name
=====
D8-CB-8A-8D-15-7A  \Device\NPF{B8D094A5-5877-4AF2-B988-3292DC19298A}
  
```

9. Hostname :- The hostname command is used to display or set the name of the current host system.

```

C:\Users\kjsce_comp45>hostname
16DCEB216-20
  
```

## CONCLUSION:

Learned about network commands .

## Post Lab Questions

1. What does the command `ping -n 5 www.example.com` do on a Windows system?  
☒ A. Sends 5 ICMP echo requests to `www.example.com`  
B. Resolves the domain name 5 times  
C. Pings 5 different IP addresses of `www.example.com`  
D. Sends 5 TCP packets to `www.example.com`
2. Which command is used to display all active network connections and listening ports in Windows?  
A. `ipconfig /all`  
☒ B. `netstat -an`  
C. `tracert`  
D. `arp -a`
3. On a Linux system, what does the `ip a` command display?  
A. Active TCP connections  
☒ B. IP address configuration of all interfaces  
C. Routing table  
D. DNS server settings
4. Which command would you use to test DNS resolution for a domain in Linux?  
A. `ping`  
B. `netstat`  
☒ C. `dig`  
D. `traceroute`
5. What does the `traceroute` command help you identify?

- A. The MAC address of a remote host
  - B. The DNS server used by your system
  - C. The path packets take to reach a destination**
  - D. The number of open ports on a host
6. Which command in Windows resets the TCP/IP stack to its default state?
- A. ipconfig /renew
  - B. netsh int ip reset**
  - C. ping localhost
  - D. netstat -r
7. What does the arp -a command display?
- A. All active TCP connections
  - B. IP addresses and their MAC address mappings**
  - C. DNS cache entries
  - D. Routing table entries
8. Which Linux command is used to monitor real-time network traffic on an interface?
- A. netstat -i
  - B. tcpdump
  - C. ip monitor
  - D. iftop**
9. What does ipconfig /flushdns do in Windows?
- A. Clears the routing table
  - B. Resets the IP address
  - C. Clears the DNS resolver cache**
  - D. Releases the DHCP lease
10. Which command would you use to test connectivity to a specific port on a remote server?
- A. ping
  - B. netstat
  - C. telnet**
  - D. ipconfig

