• Problem 2:

1. What are the protocol layers in the TCP/IP model and what are these in the OSI model?

Answer: There are five layers in the TCP/IP model. The five layers from bottom to top are: physical layer, network access layer, internet layer, transport layer and application layer.

There are seven layers in the OSI model. The seven layers from bottom to top are: physical layer, data link layer, network layer, transport layer, session layer, presentation layer and application layer.

2. To deliver an IP datagram from host A to host B connected in the same Ethernet, two approaches can be used. One approach is to use the Ethernet unicast. In this approach, the hardware address of B is used in the Ethernet data frame to deliver the message. The other approach is to use the Ethernet broadcast. In this approach, the Ethernet broadcast address FF.FF.FF.FF.FF.FF.FF.FF. is used in the data frame to deliver the message. Give the outlines of the two approaches. Compare the two approaches and give the pros and cons for each of them.

Answer: In the unicast approach, A finds the hardware address of B based on B's IP address, encapsulates the datagram in an Ethernet data frame with B's hardware address as the destination address, and sends the data frame to the Ethernet. The data frame is broadcasted in the Ethernet. The network interface card (NIC) of B will pick up the data frame and forward it to IP at B. NIC at hosts other than B will ignore the data frame.

In the broadcast approach, A encapsulates the datagram in an Ethernet data frame with the broadcast address as the destination address. The data frame is broadcasted in the Ethernet. NIC of every host will pick up the data frame and forward it to the host's IP.

Pros of unicast approach: the data frame will be forwarded to IP only at the destination, hosts other than the destination are not bothered. Cons of unicast approach: need to find the hardware address of the destination, may cause extra traffic.

Pros of broadcast approach: the hardware address of the destination is not ndded. Cons of the broadcast approach: the data frame will be forwarded to IP at every host, causing extra workload at every host.

- 3. Two Ethernets N_1 and N_2 are connected by two bridges B_1 and B_2 as shown in Figure 1. Host A connected to N_1 sends a data frame to Host B connected to N_2 . What problem can happen when the data frame is forwarded to B? How to solve this problem? (Hint: spanning tree topology for LANs connected by bridges).
 - **Answer:** Disconnect one connection of a bridge to a network, for example the connection of B_2 to network N_2 , to make the network topology a spanning tree.
- 4. The IPv4 address of a subnet is defined as 145.180.3.0/24. How many IP addresses in this subnet can be used for hosts? What is the IP address for the

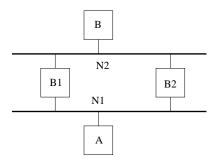


Figure 1: Ethernets connected by bridges.

directed broadcast in this subnet?

Answer: There are $2^{32-24} = 256$ IP addresses in the subnet defined by 145.180.3.0/24. Excluding all 0 and all 1 in the hostid, 254 addresses can be used for hosts. The IP address for the directed broadcast in this subnet is 145.180.3.255.

5. An organization is granted a block of IPv4 addresses specified by 172.16.0.0/21. Design a scheme for using this block of addresses for 5 networks, each of them has 200 hosts, and 5 small networks, each of them has 25 hosts.

Hint: You need to design multiple network masks to partition the entire block into sub-blocks of different sizes.

Answer: The net mask for the given block is 255.255.248.0 and has length n=21. The first subnet mask partitions the block into $2^k=8$, k=3, sub-blocks, each has $2^{32-(n+k)}=2^8=256$ IP addresses. This subnet mask is 255.255.255.0 and has length n+k=24. Five sub-blocks (e.g., the sub-blocks defined by 172.16.1.0/24, 172.16.2.0/24, 172.16.3.0/24, 172.16.4.0/24, 172.16.5.0/24) can be used for the five physical networks with 200 hosts. The second subnet mask 255.255.255.224 has length 24+3=27 and partitions one of the rest sub-blocks (e.g., the sub-block defined by 172.16.6.0/24 into 8 sub-sub-blocks, each has $2^{32-27}=2^5=32$ IP addresses. Five sub-sub-blocks (e.g., the sub-sub-blocks defined by 172.16.6.64/27, 172.16.6.96/27, 172.16.6.128/27,172.16.6.160/27) can be used to for the five networks with 25 hosts.

6. There are four networks N_1 , N_2 , N_3 , and N_4 , with network addresses 215.10.1.0/24, 144.10.0.0/16, 125.0.0.0/20, and 220.10.1.0/24, respectively. Networks N_1 and N_2 are connected by Router R_1 with IP address 215.10.1.5 in N_1 and IP address 144.10.0.5 in N_2 . Networks N_1 and N_3 are connected by Router R_2 with IP address 215.10.1.6 in N_1 and IP address 125.0.0.6 in N_3 . Networks N_3 and N_4 are connected by Router R_3 with IP address 125.0.0.7 in N_3 and IP address 220.10.1.7 in N_4 . Give a routing table (including the subnet mask) for Router R_1 and one for a host H in N_1 .

Assume that H sends a message to 144.10.0.9. Which forwarding, directed or indirected, is used by R_1 ? Which forwarding is used by R_2 if H sends a message

to 220.10.1.200?

Answer: Routing table for R_1 :

Dest Address	Subnet Mask	Next Hop
215.10.1.0	255.255.255.0	*
144.10.0.0	255.255.0.0	*
125.0.0.0	255.255.240.0	215.10.1.6 (or R2)
220.10.1.0	225.225.225.0	215.10.1.6 (or R2)
or		
Dest Address	Subnet Mask	Next Hop
215.10.1.0	255.255.255.0	*
144.10.0.0	255.255.0.0	*
default	0.0.0.0	215.10.1.6 (or R2)
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Routing table for H

Dest Address	Subnet Mask	Next Hop		
215.10.1.0	255.255.255.0	*		
144.10.0.0	255.255.0.0	215.10.1.5	(or	R1)
125.0.0.0	255.255.240.0	215.10.1.6	(or	R2)
220.10.1.0	225.225.225.0	215.10.1.6	(or	R2)

or

Dest Address	Subnet Mask	Next Hop		
215.10.1.0	255.255.255.0	*		
144.10.0.0	255.255.0.0	215.10.1.5	(or	R1)
default	0.0.0.0	215.10.1.6	(or	R2)

Direct forwarding by R_1 to 144.10.0.9.

Indirect forwarding by R_2 to 220.10.1.200.

7. Give a routing table for every router in Figure 8.2 of the text book. At which router a default route would reduce the routing table size?

Answer:

Routing table at router Q:

Dest Address	Network Mask	Next Hop Router
10.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	direct forwarding
20.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	direct forwarding
30.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	20.0.0.6 (or router R)
40.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	20.0.0.6 (or router R)

Routing table at router R:

Dest Address	Network Mask	Next Hop Router
10.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	20.0.0.5 (or router Q)

20.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	direct forwarding
30.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	direct forwarding
40.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	30.0.0.7 (or router S)

Routing table at router S:

Dest Address	Network Mask	Next Hop Router
10.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	30.0.0.6 (or router R)
20.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	30.0.0.6 (or router R)
30.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	direct forwarding
40.0.0.0/8	255.0.0.0	direct forwarding

At Routers Q and S, a default route will reduce the routing table size.

8. How many bits are used for an IPv6 address? Give the address format for the global unicast. Describe briefly how IPv6 supports autoconfiguration which allows a host to assign an IP address by itself.

Answer: There are 128bits in an IPv6 address. An IPv6 global unicast address has the type prefix 001, followed by a global site ID used to identified a site in the Internet, a subnet ID used to identify a subnet in the site and the low-order 64 bits host ID to identify an network connection in the subnet.

A host can assign an IPv6 link local address by itself for communication within a same network. An IPv6 link local address for a network connection of a host has the type prefix 1111 1110 10 and the hardware address of the network connection in the low-order 64 bits.

9. Give the colon hex for the following IPv6 address without any zero compression:

0010	1000	1110	0110	0000	0000	0000	0000
0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	1011
0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000
0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	1100	0000	1111

Applying the zero compression rules to simplify the colon hex address obtained above to a concise form.

Answer: Colon hex address without zero compression,

24E6:0000:0000:000B:0000:0000:0000:0C0F.

Colon hex address after zero compression, 24E6:0:0:B::COF.

10. Give the IPv6 address in binary form for the following colon hex IPv6 address: fdd0:8184:d967::c0a8:5.

Answer:

1111	1101	1101	0000	1000	0001	1000	0100
1101	1001	0110	0111	0000	0000	0000	0000
0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000
1100	0000	1010	1000	0000	0000	0000	0101

- 11. An IPv6 packet consists of the base header and a TCP segment. The length of the IPv6 data is 320 bytes. Draw the base header and and enter a value in the payload field and one in the next header field.
- 12. In the past, computer/communication networks were scaled proportional to the number of people who may use the networks. Now, this principle does not meet many new applications in computer/communication networks anymore. Assume that there are 7 billion people in the world now. How many IPv6 global unicast addresses each people can have in average? Would IPv6 allow us to scale computer/communication networks much larger than the population in the world?