



CSBridge – Net 6

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BOOTP

- The bootstrap protocol was designed in 1985 to overcome the limitations of RARP
- It is a protocol to assign an IP address to a workstation but also has a “boot filename” parameter to inform the client of the program to execute for further information



Operation of BOOTP

- Upon startup, the workstation will send a BOOTP_Request to the broadcast address. This request will have an IP header and a UDP header as well as the BOOTP packet.
- BOOTP operates on UDP Port 67 for the server port and 68 for the client.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1
OPCODE								HARDWARE TYPE								HLEN								HOP COUNT							
TRANSACTION ID																															
NUMBER OF SECONDS																FLAGS															
CLIENT IP																															
YOUR IP																															
SERVER IP																															
GATEWAY IP																															
CLIENT HARDWARE ADDRESS ...																															
SERVER HOST NAME ...																															
BOOT FILENAME																															
VENDOR OPTIONS																															



BOOTP benefits/costs

- The BOOTP datagram can be sent through a router
- IP Assignment is forever



DHCP

- Introduced in 1993
- DHCP was introduced to overcome the limitations of BOOTP
- The headers are the same so compatibility is guaranteed; port numbers are the same.



Overcoming BOOTP

- Three level of address assignment were designed
 - Manual
 - Automatic
 - Lease



Procedure for DHCP

- DHCP_DISCOVER
- DHCP_OFFER
- DHCP_REQUEST
- DHCP_ACK
- (DHCP_NACK)
- (DHCP_DECLINE)
- (DHCP_RELEASE)



DHCP Client States

- Initialized
- Select – After DISCOVER
- Request – After Request
- Bound – Normal State
- Renewal
- Rebind



Timers

- Lease Expire Timer – usually 100% of Expire Time
- Rebind Time – usually 87.5% of Expire Time
- Renewal Time – usually 50% of Expire Time



Renewal Procedures

- At the expiration of the renewal timer, client attempts to renew the lease
 - If renewal occurs, rebind will never expire
 - Else, when continue until rebind expires
- When Rebind expires
 - Broadcast DHCP_DISCOVER to find other useable servers
- When lease expires, STOP USING THE IP!!!
 - Continue trying DHCP_DISCOVER at a reasonable rate.