

# Project 1 Packet Format

## Ethernet Frame

Destination address	Source address	Type	Payload
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Type: ARP or IPv4

## ARP packet

Opcode	Src MAC address	Src IP address	Dst MAC address	Dst IP address	Payload
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Opcode: ARP request or ARP reply

## IPv4 packet

Version	...	TTL	Checksum	Src IP address	Dst IP address	Payload
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## ICMP packet

Type	Code	Checksum	Identifier	Sequence num	Data
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IPv4 header also contains header length, total length, ID, flags, fragment offset, and protocol fields.

# Forwarding Pseudocode: ARP

- 1. Find input network interface: findInterfaceByName.  
Drop packet if interface is unknown
- 2. Read ethernet header and check the eth\_type field. Ignore all but ARP and IPv4 types
- 3. If eth\_type is ARP:
  - a. If ARP Request packet:
    - Prepare and send ARP response packet
  - b. If ARP Response packet:
    - record IP-MAC mapping information in ARP cache
    - send out all enqueued packets for ARP entry

# Forwarding Code: IPv4

- 4. If eth\_type is IPv4:
  - verify checksum, length, discard invalid packets
  - if packet is to router: GO TO 7
- 5. Use the Longest Prefix Match algorithm to find a next-hop IP address in the routing table
- 6. Lookup ARP cache for MAC address mapped to the next hop destination IP address
  - If valid entry found: forward packet
  - Else: queue received packet and send ARP request to discover the IP-MAC mapping.
- 7. If ICMP packet:
  - handle Ping: send ICMP echo reply back