ARP request is broadcast -> to get the DMAC

ARP response is unicast -> only the node whose IP address matches with DIP(present in data) replies

When the DMAC is FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:FF (broadcast MAC), packet goes to all nodes. Here DIP does not matter.

Type: 0x806 – ARP Frame

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| Preamble and SFD | broadcast MAC | SMAC | 0806 | Data – 28 bytes | CRC |

The data field gives the SIP, SMAC of node from where the arp requests start and DMAC(00:00:00:00:00:00), DIP of node from where the reply(DMAC) is expected

ARP Handler lies just above the data-link layer (CRC, SMAC and DMAC and IP are stripped)

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| NL |
| (ARP) |
| DL |
| PL |

Data in request:

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| 0001 (Ethernet) – hardware type | | 00800 |
| 06 (Hardware size) | 04 (Protocol size) | 0001 (ARP Request) arp.opcode |
| SMAC  SIP  00:00:00:00:00:00  DIP | | |

Data in reply:

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| 0001 (Ethernet) – hardware type | | 00800 |
| 06 (Hardware size) | 04 (Protocol size) | 0002 (ARP Response) arp.opcode |
| SMAC (of the replier)  SIP (‘’)  DMAC  DIP | | |

ARP Table – containts IP and corresponding MAC – can refer to this table rather than sending further arp requests after the initial request

Steps for analyzing ARP request:

1. Clear Browser Cache
2. Clear ARP Table

(To flush the entire arp cache – RUN AS ADMIN - : *netsh interface ip delete arpcache*)

(To delete all entries in the table: *arp -a -d or arp -a \** )

(To delete specific entry in the table: *arp -d 172.16.22.15*)

(To view the arp table: *arp -a* )

1. Start Wireshark
2. Capture from only MY IP
3. ARP display filter
4. Open Browser
5. Type and search URL
6. ARP request is generated
7. Wireshark captures it
8. ANALYZE!!