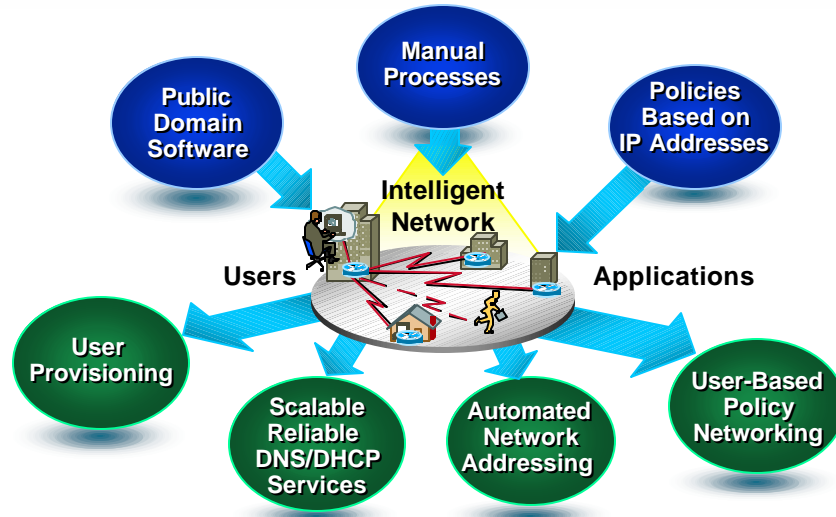




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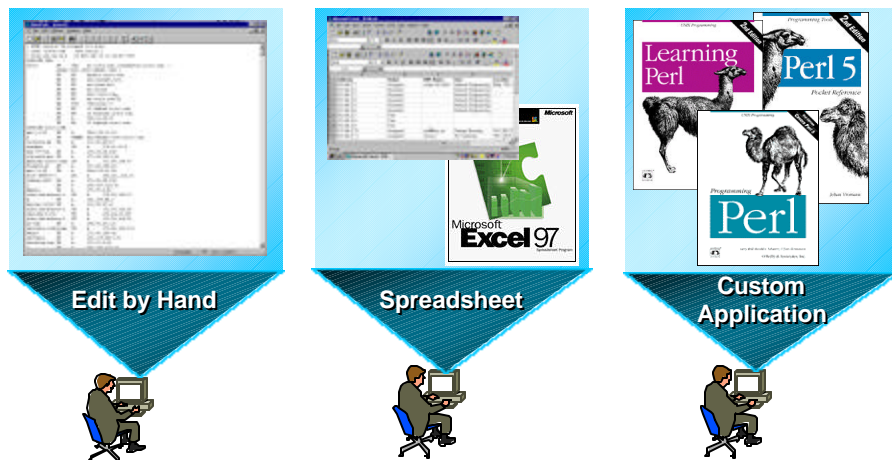


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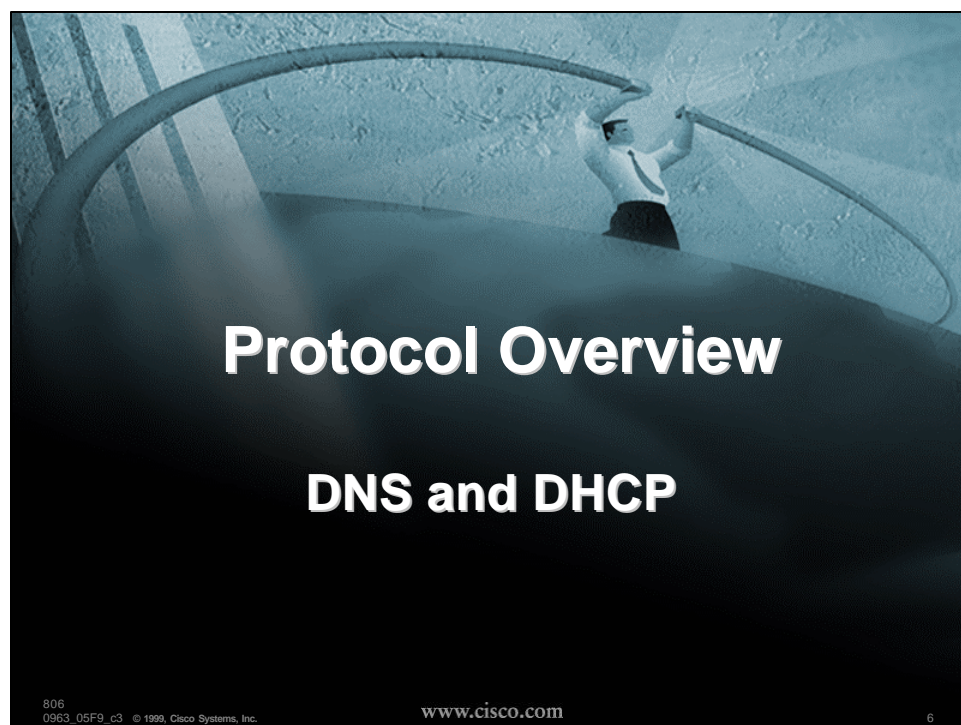
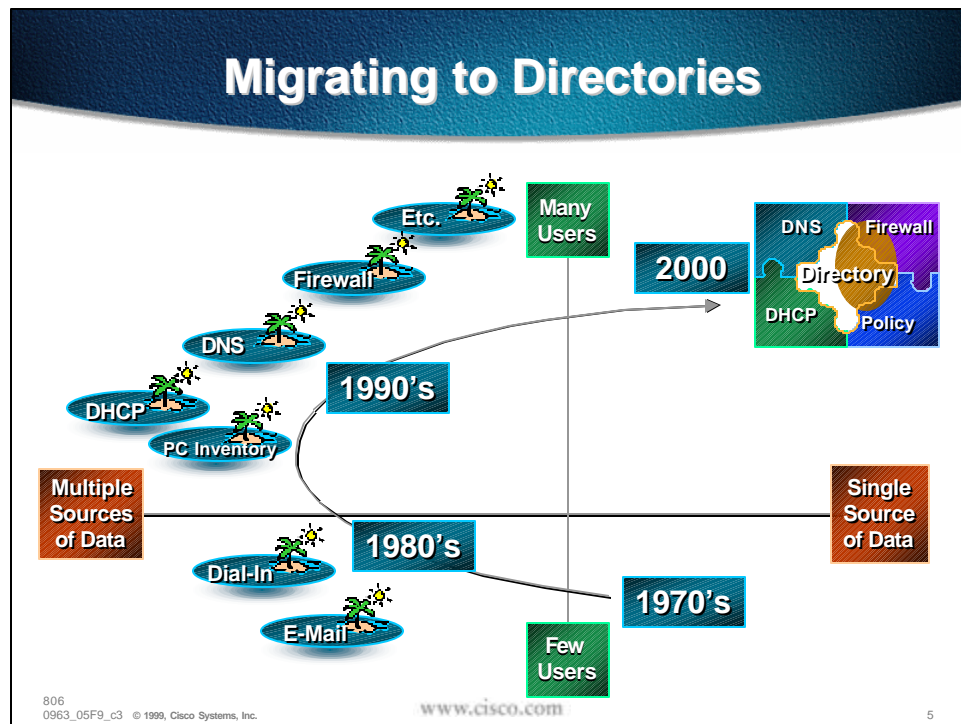
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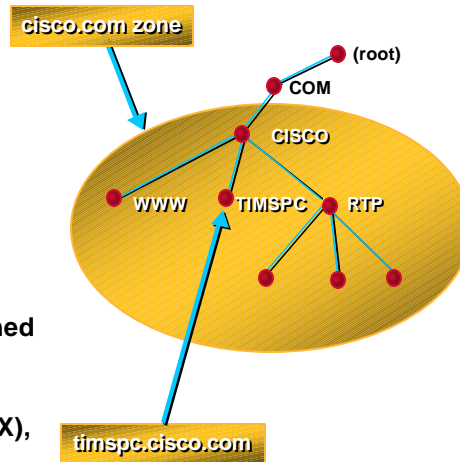
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How DNS Works DNS Namespace

- Hierarchical name space
- Each node in tree represents domain/subdomain
- Some subdomains are defined as zones
- Each zone has a “primary” name server responsible for all lower nodes
- Resource records (RR) are defined for each node
- Example RRs are: Address (A), pointer (PTR), mail exchange (MX), name server (NS), start of authority (SOA)



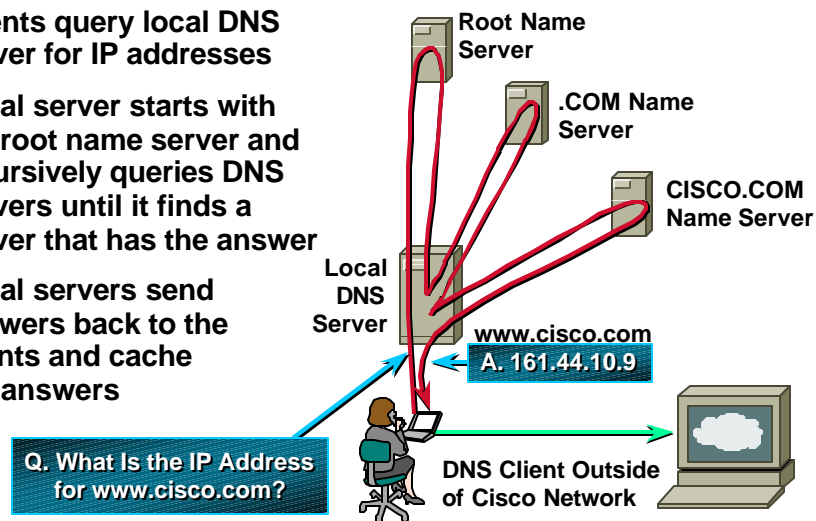
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How DNS Works DNS Queries

- Clients query local DNS server for IP addresses
- Local server starts with the root name server and recursively queries DNS servers until it finds a server that has the answer
- Local servers send answers back to the clients and cache the answers



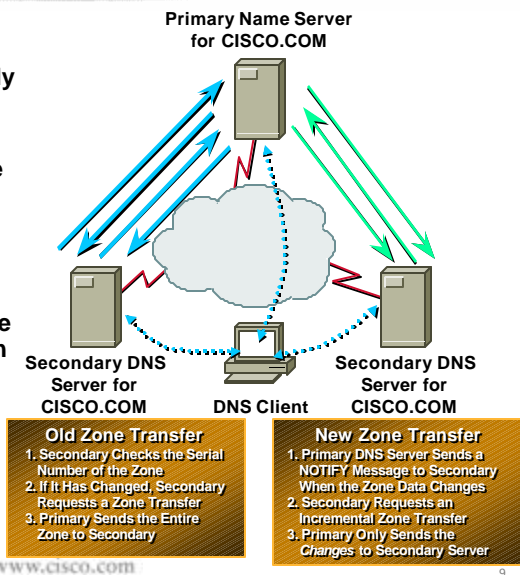
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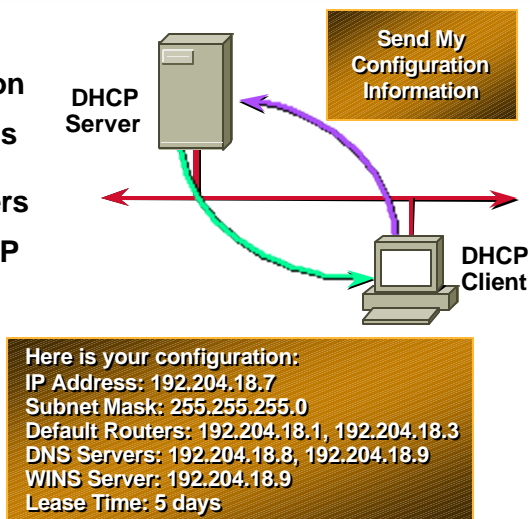
DNS Redundancy

- Redundancy is built into DNS
- Secondary servers automatically backup primary servers
- Secondary servers check the primary for changes in the zone serial number
- Updates controlled by the refresh rate in SOA record for zone
- Use Notify and Incremental Zone Transfers to reduce propagation delay and bandwidth utilization
- Spread secondary and caching DNS servers liberally throughout the network



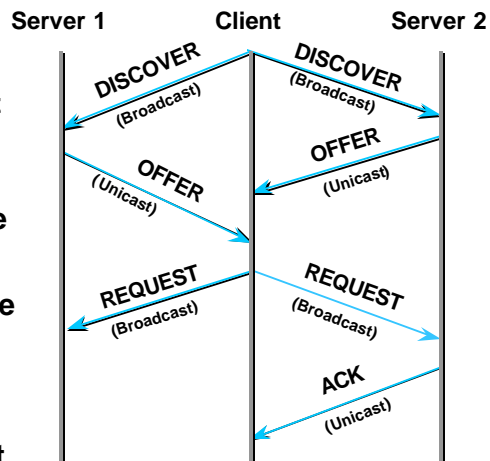
How DHCP Works Obtaining a Lease

- Dynamically assigns configuration information
- Creates IP address pools to conserve addresses and support mobile users
- Clients broadcasts DHCP Discover packet on local subnet
- Multiple servers can respond
- Client chooses first or best response



How DHCP Works DHCP Discover Process

- DHCP client broadcasts DHCP DISCOVER packet on local subnet
- DHCP servers send OFFER packet with lease information
- DHCP client selects lease and broadcasts DHCP REQUEST packet
- Selected DHCP server sends DHCP ACK packet



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How DHCP Works DHCP Packet

OP Code	Hardware Type	Hardware Length	HOPS
Transaction ID (XID)			
Seconds		Flags	
Client IP Address (CIADDR)			
Your IP Address (YIADDR)			
Server IP Address (SIADDR)			
Gateway IP Address (GIADDR)			
Client Hardware Address (CHADDR)—16 bytes			
Server Name (SNAME)—64 bytes			
Filename—128 bytes			
DHCP Options			

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How DHCP Works DHCP Options

- Server passes configuration options to client
- Over 100 options defined
- Most DHCP clients support approximately 10 options
- Custom and vendor options available

Common DHCP Options

Option	Code
Lease Time	51
Subnet Mask	1
Default Routers	3
DNS Servers	6
Domain Name	15
Host Name	12
WINS Servers	44
NetBIOS Node Type	46
Client Identifier	61

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What's New in DNS and DHCP

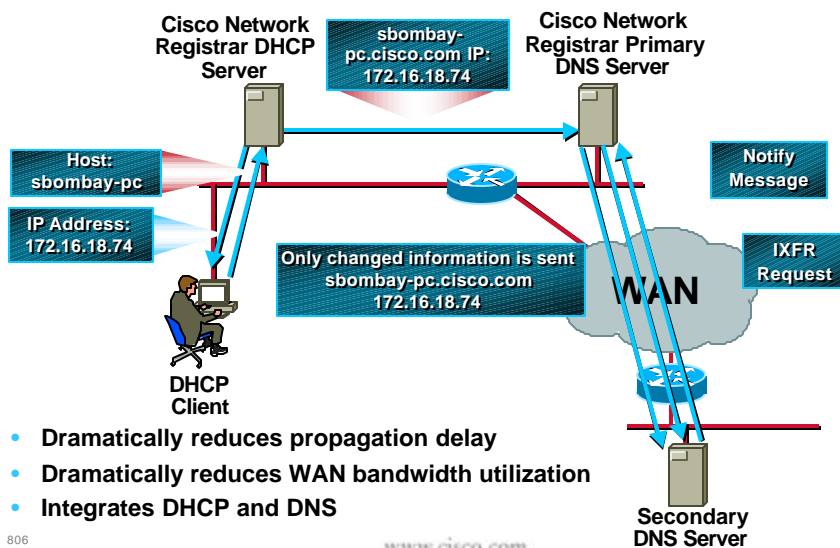
- New DNS standards
 - Dynamic DNS updates (RFC 2136)
 - Incremental Zone Transfers (RFC 1995)
 - Notify (RFC 1996)
- New DHCP standards
 - DHCP Safe Failover (Internet draft)

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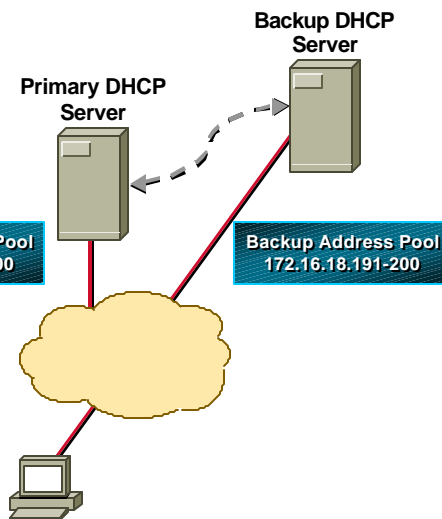
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Dynamic DNS Updates, Notify, and Incremental Zone Transfers



DHCP Safe Failover Protocol

- All DHCP requests are sent to both servers
- Primary updates backup with lease information
- Backup takes over when primary fails
- Backup server uses dedicated pool of addresses allocated by the primary to prevent duplicate IP address
- Servers synchronize when primary is up
- IETF Internet Draft





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Split DNS

- Two “primary” DNS servers for the domain
- Hides the structure of the internal network
- Internal clients point to internal DNS servers
- External server publishes web, mail, ftp and other external servers
- Internet DNS servers delegate to external primary DNS server

The diagram illustrates a Split DNS architecture. It features two main components: the Internet and the Internal Network. The Internet is represented by a yellow cloud, and the Internal Network is represented by a blue cloud. A red line connects the two clouds, passing through a blue router icon. On the Internet side, there is an 'External DNS Server' (a grey server icon) which is connected to a red brick wall icon representing a firewall. A callout box next to the External DNS Server lists the domains: www.cisco.com, mail.cisco.com, and ftp.cisco.com. On the Internal Network side, there is an 'Internal DNS Server' (a grey server icon) which is connected to the blue router icon. A callout box next to the Internal DNS Server lists the domains: www.cisco.com, mail.cisco.com, ftp.cisco.com, wwwin.cisco.com, callmanager.cisco.com, erpservers.cisco.com, timspc.cisco.com, and eng-web.cisco.com.

Internet

External DNS Server

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mail.cisco.com
ftp.cisco.com

Internal Network

Internal DNS Server

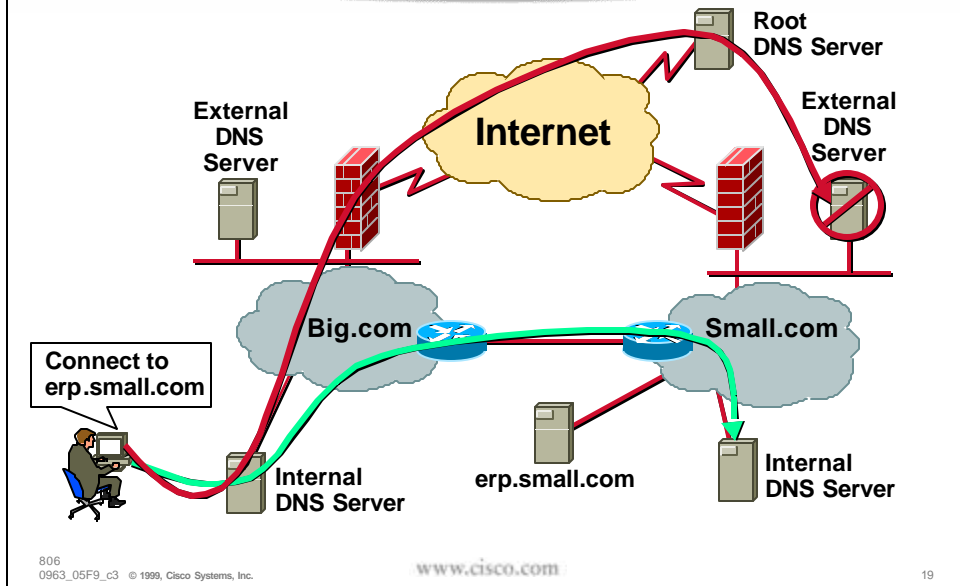
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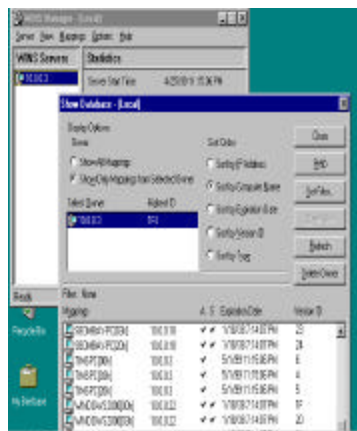
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Selective Forwarders



WINS

- **Windows Internet Names Service (WINS)**
 - NetBIOS Names Service (NBNS)
 - Windows NT file and print services
 - Flat name space
- Coexists with DNS
- Scaling problems in large networks
- Going away with Windows 2000!



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Windows 2000 and Active Directory

- Coming soon!
- DNS requirements
 - Dynamic DNS updates (RFC 2136)
 - SRV records
- Active directory is dependent on DNS
- WINS is phased out



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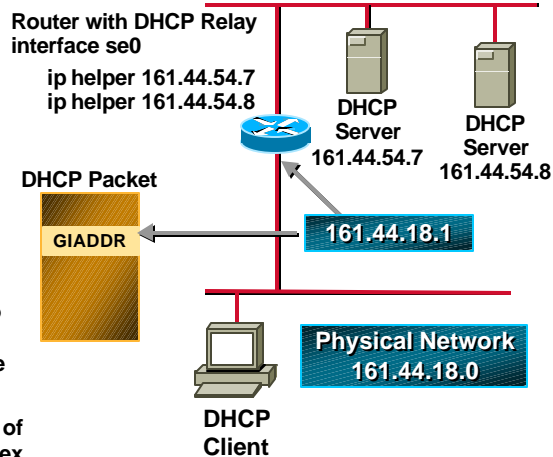
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DHCP in a Routed Network

- DHCP clients broadcasts a DHCP discover packet
- DHCP relay (ip helper address) on the router hears the DHCP Discover packet and forwards (unicast) the packet to the DHCP server
- DHCP relay fills in the GIADDR field with IP address of the primary interface of router
- DHCP relay can be configured to forward the packet to multiple DHCP servers. Client will choose the "best" server
- DHCP servers use GIADDR field of DHCP Discover packet as an index in to the list of address pools



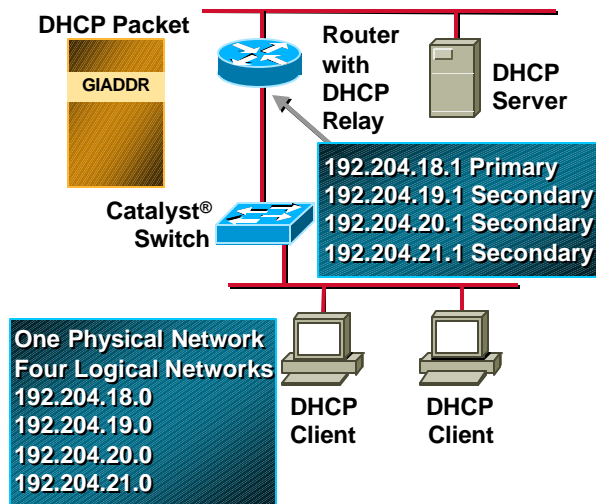
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DHCP in a Switched Network

- Cisco IOS® allows multiple addresses on an interface which implies multiple logical networks on same physical network
- DHCP relay inserts first IP address of interface in GIADDR field
- Most DHCP servers can create an address pools with multiple logical networks. This is also known as super scopes



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DHCP Security

- **DHCP lacks built in security**
 - Any client can get an address
 - Any server can allocate an address
- **Client class in CNR**
 - Create list of authorized MAC addresses
- **IETF working on the problem**
- **Generally not an issue on most nets**

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IP Address Management Issues

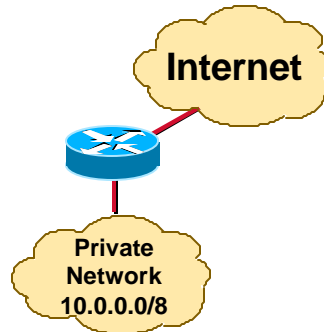
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Private Network Numbers (RFC 1918)

- Difficult to obtain new network numbers
- Unlimited addresses with private network numbers
- Allows for flexible addressing schemes
- Requires NAT/PAT to access Internet



Private Network Numbers

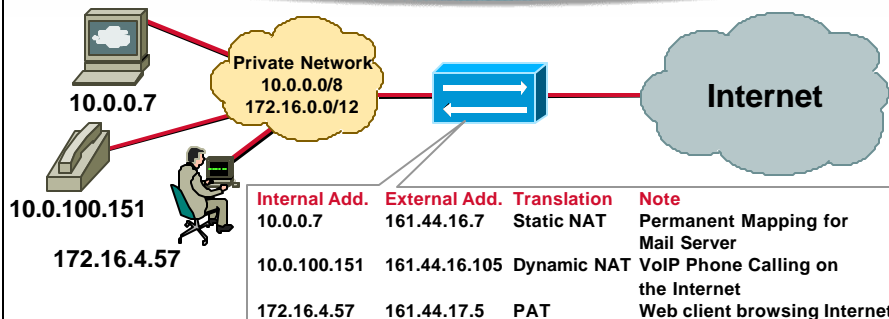
10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255	(10/8 prefix)
172.16.0.0 - 172.31.255.255	(172.16/12 prefix)
192.168.0.0 - 192.168.255.255	(192.168/16 prefix)

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NAT, PAT, and Dynamic NAT



Translation	Mapping	How It Works
Static NAT	Permanent—1 to 1	Permanent Mappings between Internal Servers to external addresses
Dynamic NAT	Dynamic—1 to 1	Pool of External Addresses Dynamically Assigned to Internal Clients for Duration of Session
PAT	Dynamic—Many to 1	Multiple Internal Clients Share Single External Address

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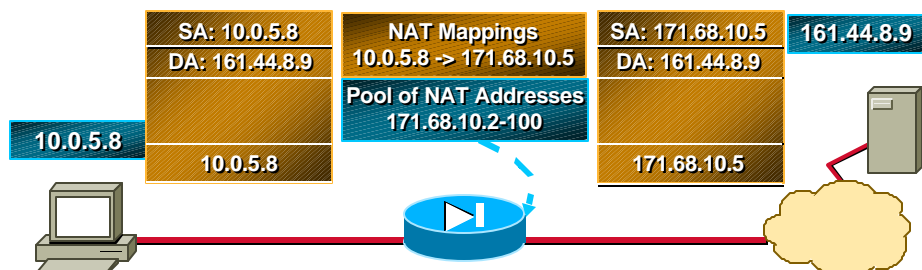
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NAT in PIX, and Cisco IOS

Packet with Embedded IP Address

Translated Packet



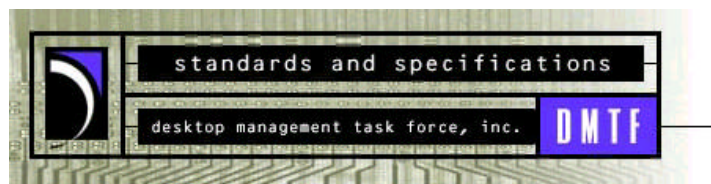
Translation	Applications	PIX	Cisco IOS
Easy	Telnet, FTP, HTTP, Simple C/S Apps	Yes	Yes
Difficult	Multimedia, H.323, NetBIOS, DNS, Dual NAT, SQL*NET, Dynamic Port Negotiation	Yes	Most
Impossible	SNMP	-	-

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Directory Services Standard Schemas



- **Directory Enabled Networks (DEN)**
Started by Cisco/Microsoft, now owned by DMTF
- **Schemas for DHCP being developed**
Proposals from Microsoft, Novell, and IETF

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Server Sizing (100K, 10K, 1K, 100 Clients)

Nodes	Minimum Server Configuration
100K	Redundant DHCP Server (Mid-Range UNIX Servers—Sun Ultra 250E, Raid Disks, 512 MB RAM) Primary DNS Server (Mid-Range UNIX Server—Sun Ultra 250E, Raid Disks, 512 MB RAM) Distribute Secondary and Caching DNS Servers Throughout Network
10K	Option 1: Redundant DHCP Servers (Mid-Range UNIX Servers, 384 MB RAM) Option 2: Redundant DHCP Servers (High-End NT Servers, 384 MB RAM) Primary DNS Server (Mid-range UNIX Server—Sun Ultra 250E, Raid Disks, 512 MB RAM) Distribute Secondary and Caching DNS Servers Throughout Network
1K	Option 1: Two Servers Running DNS/DHCP (Low-end UNIX Servers—Raid Disks, 256 MB RAM) Option 2: Two Servers Running DNS/DHCP (Mid-range NT Servers—Raid Disks, 256 MB RAM) Distribute Secondary and Caching DNS Servers Throughout Network
100	Option 1: Cisco IOS DHCP Server on Any Platform 1600, 2500, 3600, Etc. Provide DNS Service Remotely Across WAN Option 2: CNR on a Small Windows NT System to Provide DNS & DHCP

Performance Factors
Number of Nodes, Number of Queries, DHCP Lease Time, and Disk I/O Performance

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Example Network Designs

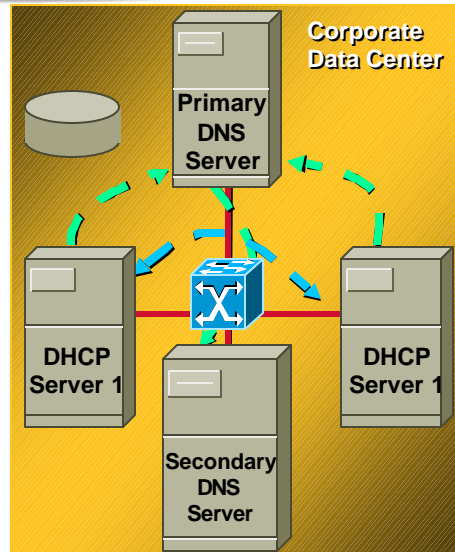
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Large Campus

- Large campus networks require high-performance, redundant DNS and DHCP servers to support multiple 10,000s of nodes
- The server functions need to be split across multiple servers in a cluster
- Build a cluster with at least three servers, one primary DNS and two redundant DHCP servers. An additional DNS server can be used to provide secondary DNS service
- DNS servers need high performance disk I/O (preferably a RAID system) to keep up with dynamic DNS updates
- Each major location around the world—U.S., Europe and Asia needs a cluster



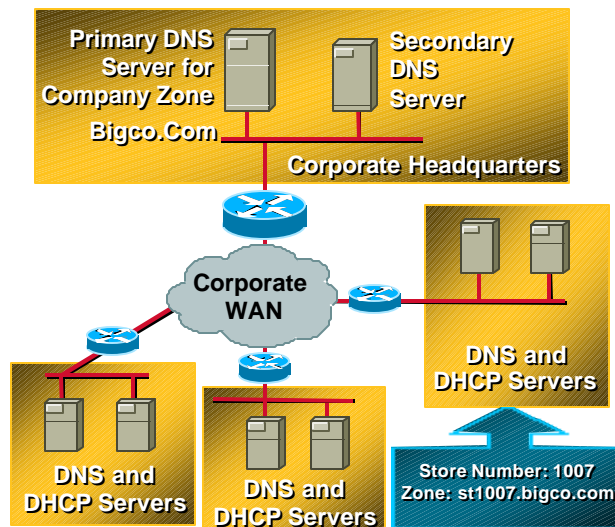
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Large Branch Offices

- Organizations with a large number of remote branch offices with a UNIX or NT server at each remote site. Typically 20-200 nodes/site
- At each of the remote sites, an organization should deploy at least one DNS and DHCP server, two for redundancy. The redundant DHCP server could be at HQ
- Each location could have a separate domain for the site and a primary DNS server at the location. This depends on the WAN bandwidth
- This configuration survives WAN outages



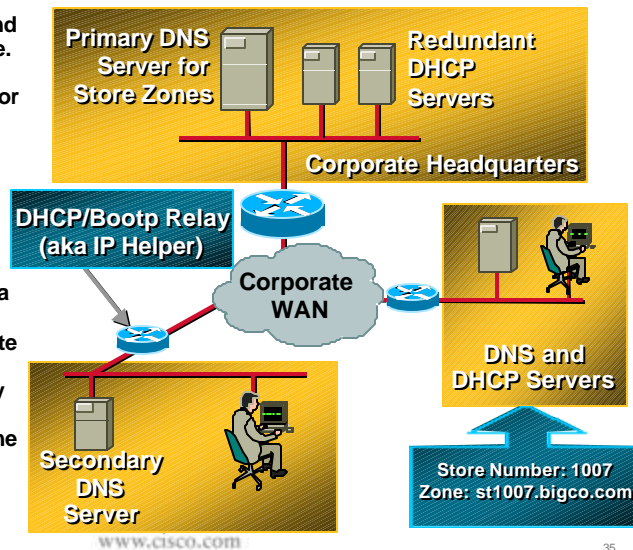
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Small Branch Offices

- Organization has a large number of remote sites and less than 20 nodes per site. Remote sites should have dial-backup connections for redundancy. DHCP/Bootp relay is enabled on router
- At HQ deploy cluster of redundant DNS and DHCP servers to provide service to remote sites
- Each location could have a separate domain. Primary DNS server for each remote site zone is in HQ. If available, run a secondary DNS server in the remote site for the remote site zone using IXFR and NOTIFY

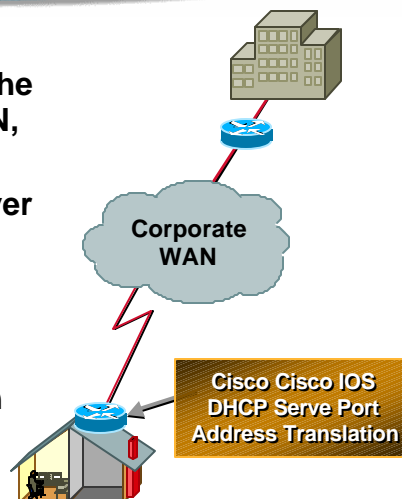


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Small Office/Home Office

- SOHO users can connect to the corporate network using ISDN, DSL or Frame Relay
- Use the Cisco IOS DHCP server to provide addresses for devices in the SOHO. Use a private, unregistered network number
- Use Port Address Translation to conserve IP addresses
- Provide DNS services from the corporate network

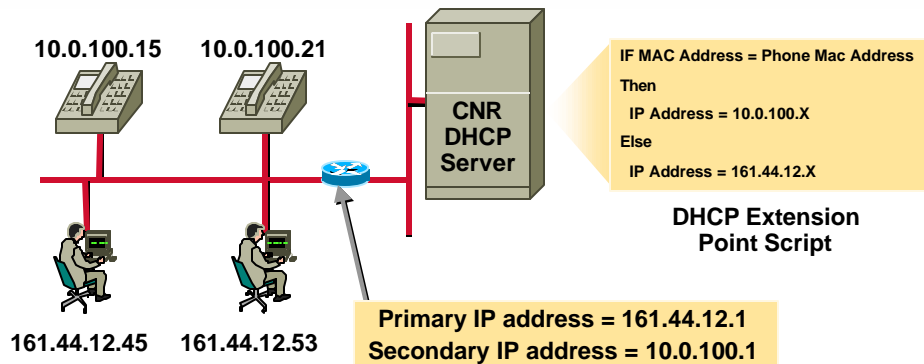


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Provisioning IP Phones



- Deployment of IP phones will require a large number of new IP addresses
- Private network numbers (RFC 1918) should be used for IP phones
- Cisco Network Registrar is able to distinguish between PCs and IP phones using a DHCP extension point script
- DHCP server distributes additional configuration information to IP phones

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Custom Application User Registration

- Boston College (BC) EagleNet activation
- Users must “activate”
Minimal documentation
Enter name and BC PIN
- Four activated classes
Student, staff
Guest, device
- Existing DB updated
User name/MAC
- Help desk load
60% fewer calls



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Cisco IOS DHCP Server Configuration

```
! Start DHCP Server
service dhcp
!
! Store DHCP Lease database on tftp server
ip dhcp database tftp://tftp.cisco.com/dhcp.db
!
! Create DHCP address pool for the 10.0.0.0/28 network
ip dhcp pool subnet-10
  lease 3 0 0                                <-- lease time of 3 days 0 hours 0 minutes
  network 10.0.0.0 255.255.255.240           <-- Defines address pool with addresses 10.0.0.1 - 10.0.0.14
  dns-server 171.68.10.70 171.68.10.140
  domain-name cisco.com
  netbios-name-server 171.68.235.228 171.68.235.229
  netbios-node-type h-node
  option 150 ip 172.16.24.12                 <-- Defines custom option with IP address
  default-router 10.0.0.1
!
! Create static mapping for the 10.0.0.5 address - i.e. BootP
ip dhcp pool manual
  host 10.0.0.5
  client-identifier 010a.1211.2e3c.4a
!
! Exclude 10.0.0.1 - 10.0.0.5 from DHCP pool
ip dhcp excluded-address 10.0.0.1 10.0.0.5
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Cisco Network Registrar 3.0

- **Reliable and scalable services**

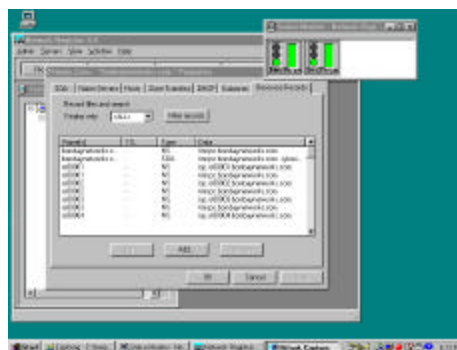
DHCP Safe Failover
DDNS, IXFR and notify
Multithreaded servers
SNMP traps
Web reporting tool
Solaris, NT, HP-UX and AIX

- **Flexible integration**

LDAP integration
CLI and API

- **Policy networking**

Client class
LDAP integration

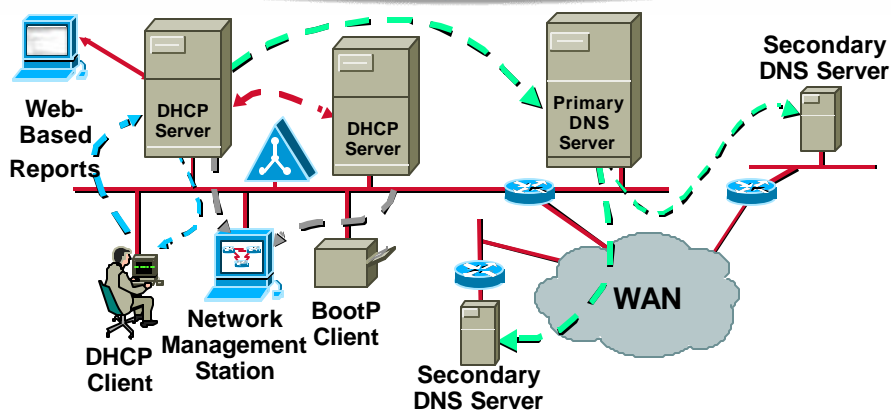


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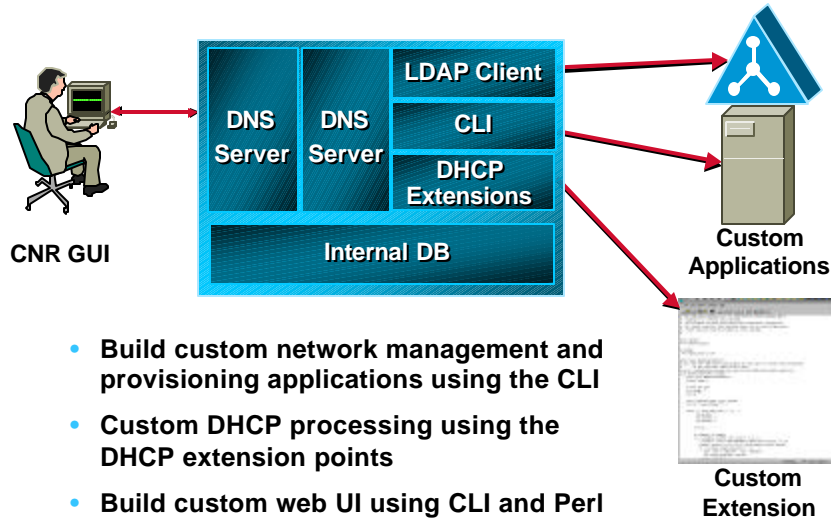
- Redundant DHCP and DNS services
- Integration with Network Management Systems
- Web-based reporting tools
- High-performance, multithreaded servers

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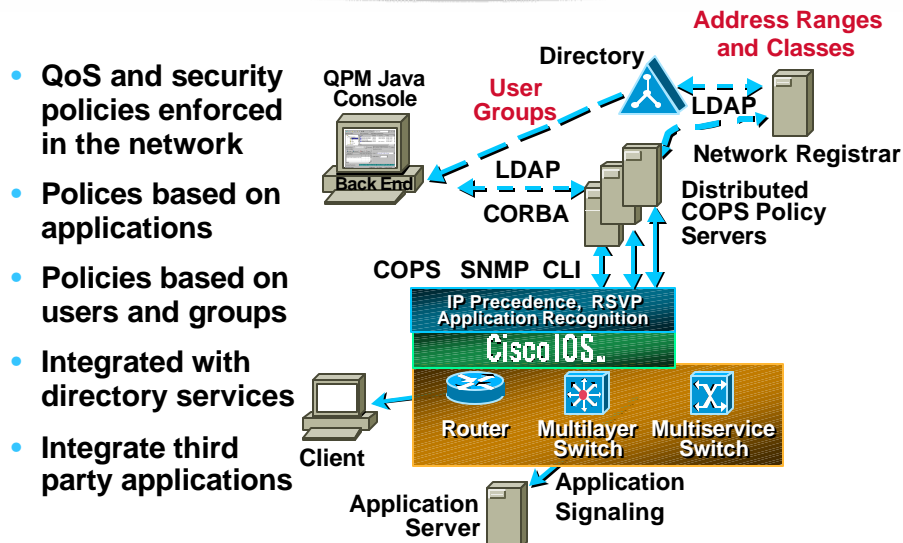


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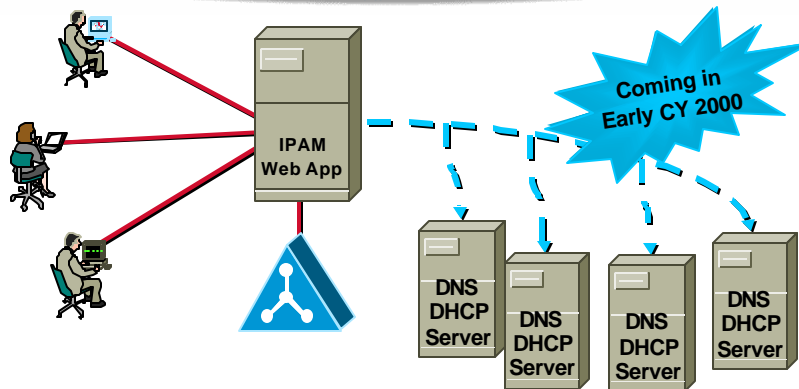


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Directory-Based Management of Names and Addresses



- Manage DNS names and IP addresses
- Multiple, simultaneous administrators
- Access control by zone and subnet

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Cisco IOS DHCP Server

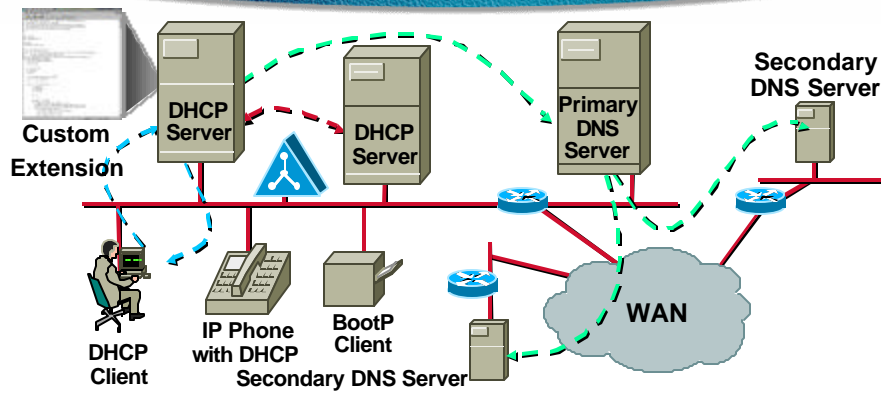
- Available in Cisco IOS 12.0(1)T or greater
- DHCP/Bootp server
 - Intelligent DHCP relay
 - Secondary addresses
 - PING before lease and custom options
- Caveats
 - DHCP lease information stored on remote system using TFTP, FTP or RCP
 - No dynamic DNS or DHCP Failover

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Summary



- Large networks require reliable and sophisticated DNS and DHCP services
- Cisco has software to meet the DNS/DHCP requirements for large networks
- Cisco is developing directory-based tools for managing IP addresses and DNS/DHCP

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Cisco Information

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<http://www.cisco.com/go/cnr>

30-day evaluation software

Data sheets, design guides,
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- **Cisco IOS DHCP server documentation**

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By Timothy Howes, Ph.D. and Mark Smith, Macmillan

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Web Sites

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<http://www.dhcp.org>
Ralph is the Chair of the IETF DHCP WG
- **Internet Software Consortium**
<http://www.isc.org>
Home of BIND and ISC DHCP Server
- **John Wobus' DHCP FAQ**
<http://web.syr.edu/~jmwobus/comfaqs/dhcp.faq.html>

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Mailing Lists

DHCP Mailing Lists

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dhcp-serve@bucknell.edu
dhcp-dns@bucknell.edu
dhcp-v6@bucknell.edu
Mailing list archive at
[ftp.bucknell.edu](ftp://ftp.bucknell.edu)

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send e-mail to:

*listserv@bucknell.edu or
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And put the following on the
first line of your message

`subscribe <listname> Your Name`
`subscribe dhcp-v4 Tim Sylvester`

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- RFC 2132—DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions
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- ID—Authentication for DHCP Messages
- ID—Multicast Address Allocation Configuration Options
- ID—DHCP Failover Protocol
- ID—Security Requirements for the DHCP protocol
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- RFC 2308—Negative Caching of DNS Queries (DNS NCACHE)
- RFC 2317—Classless IN-ADDR.ARPA delegation (RFC 2317)
- ID—Reserved Top Level DNS Names
- ID—Extensions to DNS (EDNS1)
- ID—Extension mechanisms for DNS (EDNS0)
- ID—Deferred Dynamic Domain Name System (DNS) Delete Operations
- ID—Simple Secure Domain Name System (DNS) Dynamic Update

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Utilities

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Command line DNS client for querying DNS servers
Available for UNIX and Windows NT
- **DIG**
Another command line DNS tool
- **WINIPCFG**
Admin UI for Windows 95/98 DHCP Client. Windows NT
version available on Windows NT Resource Kit
- **Perl modules for DNS**
Develop applications that talk to BIND
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