# Computer Networks

## **Experiment 2**

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## **Networking Commands:**

## ifconfig:

**Description**:- ifconfig stands for "interface configuration." It is used to view and change the configuration of the network interfaces on your system.

Running the ifconfig command with no arguments,

Syntax :- ifconfig

It displays information about all network interfaces currently in operation. The output resembles the following:

```
@student: ~
student@student:~$ ifconfig
          Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr ec:b1:d7:64:e8:23
          inet addr:10.120.63.71 Bcast:10.120.63.255 Mask:255.255.255.0
          inet6 addr: fe80::eeb1:d7ff:fe64:e823/64 Scope:Link
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
          RX packets:72469 errors:0 dropped:4 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:23982 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
          RX bytes:40787424 (40.7 MB) TX bytes:6414289 (6.4 MB)
          Link encap:Local Loopback
lo
          inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0
          inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
          UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:65536 Metric:1
          RX packets:5727 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:5727 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
          RX bytes:534606 (534.6 KB) TX bytes:534606 (534.6 KB)
virbro
          Link encap: Ethernet HWaddr 92:78:49:79:6d:eb
          inet addr:192.168.122.1 Bcast:192.168.122.255 Mask:255.255.255.0
          UP BROADCAST MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
          RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
          RX bytes:0 (0.0 B) TX bytes:0 (0.0 B)
student@student:~$
```

Here, eth0, lo and wlan0 are the names of the active network interfaces on the system.

- eth0 is the first Ethernet interface. (Additional Ethernet interfaces would be named eth1, eth2, etc.) This type of interface is usually a NIC connected to the network by a category 5 cable.
  - lo is the loopback interface. This is a special network interface that the system uses to communicate with itself.
- wlan0 is the name of the first wireless network interface on the system.

Additional wireless interfaces would be named wlan1, wlan2, etc.

These are the traditional naming conventions for network interfaces under Linux; other operating systems may have different names. For instance, under many BSD operating systems, Ethernet interfaces are named em0, em1, etc. Check your configuration, or consult your documentation, to determine the exact names of your interfaces.

• With argument -a :-

```
student@student:~$ ifconfig -a
           Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr ec:b1:d7:64:e8:23
           inet addr:10.120.63.71 Bcast:10.120.63.255 Mask:255.255.255.0 inet6 addr: fe80::eeb1:d7ff:fe64:e823/64 Scope:Link
           UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
           RX packets:74747 errors:0 dropped:4 overruns:0 frame:0
           TX packets:25648 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
           collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
RX bytes:41490792 (41.4 MB) TX bytes:7264523 (7.2 MB)
           Link encap:Local Loopback
lo
           inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0
inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:65536 Metric:1
           RX packets:6303 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
           TX packets:6303 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
           collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
           RX bytes:581363 (581.3 KB) TX bytes:581363 (581.3 KB)
virbro
           Link encap: Ethernet HWaddr 92:78:49:79:6d:eb
           UP BROADCAST MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
           RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
           TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0 collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
           RX bytes:0 (0.0 B) TX bytes:0 (0.0 B)
student@student:~$
```

• With argument -v :-

```
student@student:~$ ifconfig -v
              Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr ec:b1:d7:64:e8:23
inet addr:10.120.63.71 Bcast:10.120.63.255 Mask:255.255.255.0
inet6 addr: fe80::eeb1:d7ff:fe64:e823/64 Scope:Link
              UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
RX packets:75506 errors:0 dropped:4 overruns:0 frame:0
               TX packets:26388 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
               collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
              RX bytes:41602189 (41.6 MB) TX bytes:7772365 (7.7 MB)
10
              Link encap:Local Loopback
              inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0
inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:65536 Metric:1
               RX packets:6503 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
               TX packets:6503 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
               collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
              RX bytes:596659 (596.6 KB) TX bytes:596659 (596.6 KB)
              Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr 92:78:49:79:6d:eb inet addr:192.168.122.1 Bcast:192.168.122.255 Mask:255.255.255.0 UP BROADCAST MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1 RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
virbr0
              TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0 collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
               RX bytes:0 (0.0 B) TX bytes:0 (0.0 B)
student@student:~$
```

• With argument -s :-

```
student@student:~$ ifconfig -s
Iface MTU Met RX-OK RX-ERR RX-DRP RX-OVR
                                              TX-OK TX-ERR TX-DRP TX-OVR Flg
eth0
         1500 0
                    76592
                               0
                                      4 0
                                                  27368
                                                            0
                                                                          0 BMRU
lo
         65536 0
                      6785
                               0
                                      0 0
                                                  6785
                                                            0
                                                                   0
                                                                          0 LRU
virbro
                                                                          0 BMU
         1500 0
                       0
                               0
                                      0 0
                                                            0
student@student:~$
```

### Ping:

PING (Packet Internet Groper) command is used to check the network connectivity between host and server/host. This command takes as input the IP address or the URL and sends a data packet to the specified address with the message "PING" and get a response from the server/host this time is recorded which is called latency. Fast ping low latency means faster connection. Ping uses ICMP(Internet Control Message Protocol) to send an ICMP echo message to the specified host if that host is available then it sends ICMP reply message. Ping is generally measured in millisecond

#### Controlling the number of pings:

Earlier we did not define the number of packets to send to the server/host by using c option we can do so.

#### Controlling the size of packets send:

Earlier a default sized packets were sent to a host but we can send light and heavy packet by using

-s option.

```
student@student:~$ ping google.com
PING google.com (216.58.203.14) 56(84) bytes of data.
^C
--- google.com ping statistics ---
85 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 84670ms

student@student:~$ ping -c 10 google.com
PING google.com (142.250.77.78) 56(84) bytes of data.
--- google.com ping statistics ---
10 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 9070ms

student@student:~$ ping -s 10 google.com
PING google.com (142.250.77.46) 10(38) bytes of data.
^C
--- google.com ping statistics ---
8 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 6999ms

student@student:~$
```

## ip:

Ip command in Linux is present in the net-tools which is used for performing several network administration tasks. IP stands for Internet Protocol. This command is used to show or manipulate routing, devices, and tunnels. It is similar to <u>ifconfig</u> command but it is much more powerful with more functions and facilities attached to it. ip command is used to perform several tasks like assigning an address to a network interface or configuring network interface parameters.

It can perform several other tasks like configuring and modifying the default and static routing, setting up tunnel over IP, listing IP addresses and property information, modifying the status of the interface, assigning, deleting and setting up IP addresses and routes. Syntax:

ip [ OPTIONS ] OBJECT { COMMAND | help }

## • ip address

This will show the information related to all interfaces available on our system, but if we want to view the information of any particular interface, add the options show followed by the name of the particular network interface.

```
student@student:~$ ip address
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default
   link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
   inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
      valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
   inet6 ::1/128 scope host
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
2: eth0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc pfifo_fast state UP group default glen 1000
   link/ether ec:b1:d7:64:e8:23 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
   inet 10.120.63.71/24 brd 10.120.63.255 scope global eth0
      valid lft forever preferred lft forever
   inet6 fe80::eeb1:d7ff:fe64:e823/64 scope link
  valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
3: virbr0: <NO-CARRIER,BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state DOWN group default
   link/ether 92:78:49:79:6d:eb brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
   inet 192.168.122.1/24 brd 192.168.122.255 scope global virbr0
      valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
student@student:~$
```

-link: It is used to display link layer information, it will fetch characteristics of the link layer devices currently available. Any networking device which has a driver loaded can be classified as an available device.

This link option when used with -s option is used to show the statistics of the various network interfaces.

```
lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN mode DEFAULT group default
link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
  RX: bytes packets errors dropped overrun mcast
   888853
              10085
              packets errors dropped carrier collsns
   TX: bytes
              10085
 eth0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc pfifo_fast state UP mode DEFAULT group default glen 1000
   link/ether ec:b1:d7:64:e8:23 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
              packets errors dropped overrun mcast
   RX: bytes
   49551610
              96590
              packets errors dropped carrier collsns
   TX: bytes
  virbr0: <NO-CARRIER,BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state DOWN mode DEFAULT group default
   link/ether 92:78:49:79:6d:eb brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
   RX: bytes packets errors dropped overrun mcast
   TX: bytes packets errors dropped carrier collsns
tudent@student:~$
```

#### **Traceroute**

Traceroute command in Linux prints the route that a packet takes to reach the host. This command is useful when you want to know about the route and about all the hops that a packet takes. Below image depicts how traceroute command is used to reach the Google(172.217.26.206) host from the local machine and it also prints detail about all the hops that it visits in between.

```
C:\Users\AYUSH JAIN>tracert google.com
Tracing route to google.com [142.250.199.174]
over a maximum of 30 hops:
 1
      26 ms
                1 ms
                          2 ms 192.168.0.1
 2
        5 ms
                          2 ms 103.80.112.30
               15 ms
       4 ms
                3 ms
                         1 ms 103.80.112.29
 4
                                Request timed out.
 5
                         4 ms 72.14.220.80
        6 ms
                4 ms
 6
                5 ms
                         5 ms 108.170.248.209
        6 ms
                         5 ms 209.85.240.55
        3 ms
                 3 ms
                         4 ms bom07s37-in-f14.1e100.net [142.250.199.174]
        5 ms
                4 ms
Trace complete.
```

## **Tracepath**

Tracepath command in Linux is used to traces path to destination discovering MTU along this path. It uses UDP port or some random port. It is similar to traceroute, but it does not require superuser privileges and has no fancy options. tracepath6 is a good replacement for traceroute6 and classic example of the application of Linux error queues. The situation with IPv4 is worse because commercial IP routers do not return enough information in ICMP error messages. Probably, it will change, when they will be updated.

For now, it uses Van Jacobson's trick, sweeping a range of UDP ports to maintain trace history.

Syntax:

tracepath [-n] [-b] [-l pktlen] [-m max hops] [-p port] destination

## Netstat

Netstat command displays various network related information such as network connections, routing tables, interface statistics, masquerade connections, multicast memberships etc.,

```
dicrosoft Windows [Version 10.0.22000.556]
c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
 \Users\AYUSH JAIN>netstat
Active Connections
 Proto Local Address
                              Foreign Address
                                                    State
                                                    ESTABLISHED
 TCP
                             Ayush: 49672
       127.0.0.1:49672
                              Ayush: 49671
                                                    ESTABLISHED
       127.0.0.1:49673
                              Ayush: 49674
                                                    ESTABLISHED
 TCP
       127.0.0.1:49674
                              Ayush: 49673
                                                    ESTABLISHED
       192.168.0.107:49715
                                                    ESTABLISHED
 TCP
                              13.76.153.29:https
       192.168.0.107:49738
                              20.197.71.89:https
                                                    ESTABLISHED
       192.168.0.107:49806
                              52.114.14.198:https
                                                    ESTABLISHED
       192.168.0.107:49835
                              20.198.162.76:https
                                                   ESTABLISHED
                              20.197.71.89:https
       192.168.0.107:49857
                                                   ESTABLISHED
                              whatsapp-cdn-shv-02-bom1:https ESTABLISHED
       192.168.0.107:58361
       192.168.0.107:58364
                              si-in-f188:5228
                                                   ESTABLISHED
       192.168.0.107:58369
                              ec2-52-201-9-47:https ESTABLISHED
       192.168.0.107:58370
                              192.168.0.107:58451
                              52.109.124.33:https
                                                   ESTABLISHED
       192.168.0.107:58465
                              bom07s27-in-f10:https
                                                    TIME_WAIT
 TCP
       192.168.0.107:58466
                              20.42.65.89:https
                                                    TIME WAIT
                             40.90.130.197:https
       192.168.0.107:58470
                                                   TIME WAIT
       192.168.0.107:58471
                             51.132.193.104:https
                                                   ESTABLISHED
```

- The following command to display active connections showing numeric IP address and port number instead of trying to determine the names
- Syntax :- netstat -n

```
::\Users\AYUSH JAIN>netstat -n
Active Connections
                                                                                    Foreign Address
127.0.0.1:49672
127.0.0.1:49671
127.0.0.1:49674
   Proto Local Address
                                                                                                                                                   State
ESTABLISHED
                      Local Address
127.0.0.1:49671
127.0.0.1:49672
127.0.0.1:49673
127.0.0.1:49674
192.168.0.107:49715
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED ESTABLISHED
                                                                                     127.0.0.1:49673
13.76.153.29:443
                                                                                                                                                   ESTARI TSHED
                      192.168.0.107:49713
192.168.0.107:49806
192.168.0.107:49806
192.168.0.107:49835
192.168.0.107:58361
192.168.0.107:58361
    TCP
TCP
                                                                                     20.197.71.89:443
52.114.14.198:443
                                                                                                                                                  ESTABLISHED ESTABLISHED
                                                                                     20. 198. 162. 76:443
20. 198. 162. 76:443
31. 13. 79. 53:443
172. 217. 194. 188:5228
52. 201. 9. 47:443
52. 109. 124. 33:443
    TCP
TCP
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED ESTABLISHED
                                                                                                                                                  ESTABLISHED
ESTABLISHED
                       192.168.0.107:58369
192.168.0.107:58451
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
                       192.168.0.107:58471
192.168.0.107:58486
                                                                                     51.132.193.104:443
40.90.130.197:443
                                                                                                                                                  TIME_WAIT
ESTABLISHED
    TCP
                      192.168.0.107:58486
192.168.0.107:58487
192.168.0.107:58488
192.168.0.107:58489
192.168.0.107:58491
192.168.0.107:58491
192.168.0.107:58493
192.168.0.107:58493
192.168.0.107:58494
192.168.0.107:58495
                                                                                    40.90.130.197.443
51.132.193.104.443
40.90.130.203.443
40.90.130.203.443
40.90.130.203.443
40.90.130.203.443
40.90.130.203.443
40.90.130.203.443
40.90.130.203.443
40.90.130.203.443
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    TCP
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
   TCP
TCP
TCP
TCP
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
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                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED
    TCP
TCP
TCP
                       192.168.0.107:58496
192.168.0.107:58497
192.168.0.107:58498
                                                                                     40.90.130.203:443
52.114.15.110:443
52.109.124.51:443
                                                                                                                                                   ESTABLISHED ESTABLISHED
                                                                                                                                                    TIME_WAIT
```

## **Nslookup:**

Nslookup (stands for "Name Server Lookup") is a useful command for getting information from the DNS server. It is a network administration tool for querying the Domain Name

System (DNS) to obtain domain name or IP address mapping or any other specific DNS record. It is also used to troubleshoot DNS-related problems.

#### Syntax:

nslookup [option]

• Options of nslookup command:

nslookup google.com:

nslookup followed by the domain name will display the "A Record" (IP Address) of the domain. Use this command to find the address record for a domain. It queries to domain name servers and gets the details.

```
C:\Users\AYUSH JAIN>nslookup google.com
Server: UnKnown
Address: 192.168.0.1

Non-authoritative answer:
Name: google.com
Addresses: 2404:6800:4009:82e::200e
142.250.199.174
```

## Dig:

Dig command stands for Domain Information Groper. It is used for retrieving information about DNS name servers. It is basically used by network administrators. It is used for verifying and troubleshooting DNS problems and to perform DNS lookups. Dig command replaces older tools such as nslookup and the host.

#### Syntax:

dig [server] [name] [type]

```
student@student-HP-ProOne-400-G1-AiO:-$ dig google.com
; <<>> DiG 9.18.0-2ubuntu2-Ubuntu <<>> google.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 24931
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 65494
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;google.com.
;; ANSWER SECTION:
google.com.
                          278
                                 IN A
                                                    142.250.192.14
;; Query time: 4 msec
;; SERVER: 127.0.0.53#53(127.0.0.53) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Sat Apr 09 17:20:28 IST 2022
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 55
student@student-HP-ProOne-400-G1-AiO:-$
```

To remove comment lines.

dig geeksforgeeks.org +nocomments

This command makes a request and excludes the comment lines.

### Arp

arp command manipulates the System's ARP cache. It also allows a complete dump of the ARP cache. ARP stands for Address Resolution Protocol. The primary function of this protocol is to resolve the IP address of a system to its mac address, and hence it works between level 2(Data link layer) and level 3(Network layer).

#### Syntax:

arp [-v] [-i if] [-H type] -a [hostname]

```
C:\Users\AYUSH JAIN>arp -a
Interface: 192.168.0.107 --- 0x5
 Internet Address
                        Physical Address
                                              Type
                       10-27-f5-da-b6-0d
                                              dynamic
 192.168.0.1
                        ff-ff-ff-ff-ff
                                              static
 192.168.0.255
 224.0.0.22
                       01-00-5e-00-00-16
                                              static
                                              static
 224.0.0.251
                        01-00-5e-00-00-fb
 224.0.0.252
                       01-00-5e-00-00-fc
                                              static
 239.255.255.250
                        01-00-5e-7f-ff-fa
                                              static
                        ff-ff-ff-ff-ff
 255.255.255.255
                                              static
```

### Whois:

You can use the whois command in Linux to find out information about a domain, such as the owner of the domain, the owner's contact information, and the nameservers that the domain is using.

For example, to find out domain information of linux-bible.com, we can use the following command:

```
# whois -H linux-bible.com
Whois Server Version 2.0
Domain names in the .com and .net domains can now be registered
with many different competing registrars. Go to http://www.internic.net
for detailed information.
   Domain Name: LINUX-BIBLE.COM
   Registrar: LAUNCHPAD.COM, INC.
Whois Server: whois.launchpad.com
   Referral URL: http://www.launchpad.com
  Name Server: NS6175.HOSTGATOR.COM
Name Server: NS6176.HOSTGATOR.COM
   Status: clientTransferProhibited
   Updated Date: 16-may-2014
   Creation Date: 16-may-2014
  Expiration Date: 16-may-2015
  Registrant Name: Antun Peicevic
   Registrant Organization: 1
   Registrant Street: Nova cesta 1
   Registrant City: Zagreb
   Registrant State/Province: Zagreb
   Registrant Postal Code: 10000
  Registrant Country: HR
Registrant Phone: +385.921021346
   Registrant Phone Ext:
   Registrant Fax:
   Registrant Fax Ext:
   Registrant Email: antunpeicevic@gmail.com
```

#### **Host:**

Host command in Linux system is used for DNS (Domain Name System) lookup operations. In simple words, this command is used to find the IP address of a particular domain name or if you want to find out the domain name of a particular IP address the host command becomes handy. You can also find more specific details of a domain by specifying the corresponding option along with the domain name.

#### **Syntax:**

host [-aCdlriTWV] [-c class] [-N ndots] [-t type] [-W time]

[-R number] [-m flag] hostname [server]

- Host domain\_name: This will print the IP address details of the specified domain
- Host IP Address: This will display the domain details of the specified IP Address.

```
student@student-HP-ProOne-400-G1-AiO:~$ host google.com
google.com has address 142.250.192.14
google.com has IPv6 address 2404:6800:4009:821::200e
google.com mail is handled by 30 alt2.aspmx.l.google.com.
google.com mail is handled by 10 aspmx.l.google.com.
google.com mail is handled by 20 alt1.aspmx.l.google.com.
google.com mail is handled by 50 alt4.aspmx.l.google.com.
google.com mail is handled by 40 alt3.aspmx.l.google.com.
  tudent@student-HP-ProOne-400-G1-AiO:-$ host 127.0.0.1
1.0.0.127.in-addr.arpa domain name pointer localhost.
student@student-HP-ProOne-400-G1-AiO:-$ host -t txt google.com
google.com descriptive text "google-site-verification=wDBN7i1JTNTkezJ49swvWW48f8_9xveREV4oB-0Hf5o"
google.com descriptive text "docusign=1b0a6754-49b1-4db5-8540-d2c12664b289"
google.com descriptive text "apple-domain-verification=30afIBcvSuDV2PLX" google.com descriptive text "MS=E4A68B9AB2BB9670BCE15412F62916164C0B20BB"
                                     "globalsign-smime-dv=CDYX+XFHUw2wml6/Gb8+59BsH31KzUr6c1l2BPvqKX8=""facebook-domain-verification=22rm551cu4k0ab0bxsw536tlds4h95"
google.com descriptive text
google.com descriptive text
google.com descriptive text "docusign=05958488-4752-4ef2-95eb-aa7ba8a3bd0e'
google.com descriptive text "v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com ~all"
google.com descriptive text "google-site-verification=TV9-DBe4R80X4v0M4U_bd_J9cpOJM0nikft0jAgjmsQ"
student@student-HP-ProOne-400-G1-AiO:-$
```