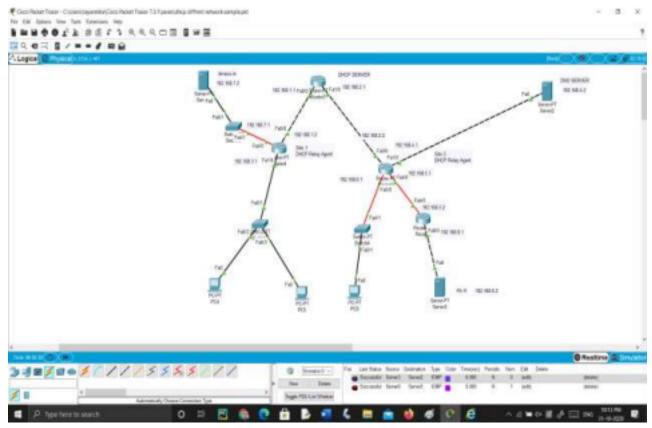


DHCP Server Design for Broadcast Domain



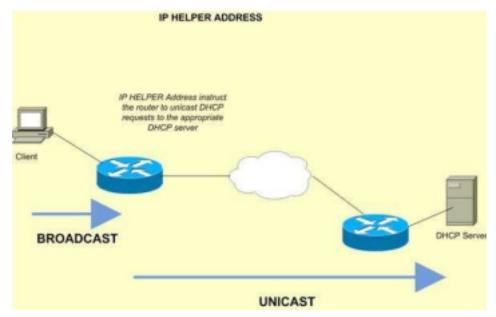
Cisco IOS Router Acting as a DHCP Relay Agent

By default routers do not forward broadcasts. In internetworks, most of the times, a DHCP server is located on a different network than the majority of its clients.

For DHCP messages to be able to reach the server, configuration of IP helper addresses is required. **IP helper address** [DHCP server IP address] interface command instructs a router to intercept DHCP broadcast messages and forward them as unicasts to the DHCP server hence providing "relay" functionality.

DHCP relay agents provide extra security to the network by hiding the server's IP address from the clients. The client knows only the IP address of the relay agent.

The image below shows a common scenario where IP helper address is required.



Configure the DHCP Server

1. Basic Core router configuration:

Core(config)#interface FastEthernet0/0

Core(config-if)#ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.252

Core(config-if)#no shut

Core(config-if)#interface FastEthernet0/1

Core(config-if)#ip address 192.168.2.1 255.255.255.252

Core(config-if)#no shut

Port	Link	IP Address	IPv6 Address	MAC Address
FastEthernet0/0	Up	192.168.1.1/24	<not set=""></not>	000B.BE8A.16CA
FastEthernet1/0	Up	192.168.2.1/24	<not set=""></not>	0002.4A65.7ED7
Serial2/0	Down	<not set=""></not>	<not set=""></not>	<not set=""></not>
Serial3/0	Down	<not set=""></not>	<not set=""></not>	<not set=""></not>
FastEthernet4/0	Down	<not set=""></not>	<not set=""></not>	00D0.97C9.1A50
FastEthernet5/0	Down	<not set=""></not>	<not set=""></not>	0001.433C.C426
Hostname: Core				
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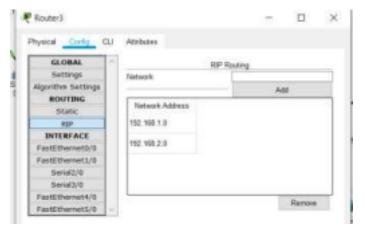
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2. Dynamic Routing

Core(config)#router rip

Core(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0

Core(config-router)#network 192.168.2.0



3. Configure DHCP and DNS Server

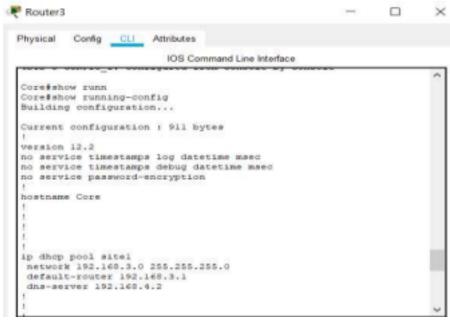
Core(config)#ip dhcp pool Site1

Core(dhcp-config)#network 192.168.3.0

255.255.255.0 Core(dhcp-config)#default-router

192.168.3.1

Core(dhcp-config)#dns-server 192.168.4.2



Core(config)#ip dhcp pool Site2

Core(dhcp-config)#network 192.168.6.0

255.255.255.0 Core(dhcp-config)#default-router

192.168.6.1

Core(dhcp-config)#dns-server 192.168.4.2

Core(dhcp-config)#exit

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Core#config t
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Core(config)#ip dhop pool Site2
Core(dhop-config)#network 192.168.6.0 255.255.255.0
Core(dhop-config)#default-router 192.168.6.1
Core(dhop-config)#dns-server 192.168.4.2
Core(dhop-config)#
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Core(config)#ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.3.1 Core(config)#ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.3.255 Core(config)#ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.6.255 Core(config)#ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.6.1

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Core#config t
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Core(config)#ip dhop excluded-address 192.168.3.1
Core(config)#ip dhop excluded-address 192.168.3.255
Core(config)#ip dhop excluded-address 192.168.6.255
Core(config)#ip dhop excluded-address 192.168.6.1
Core(config)#
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Configuring Cisco dhcp relay agent on Site1 and Site2 Routers. Site1 router

```
Site1(config)#interface FastEthernet0/0
Site1(config-if)#ip address 192.168.1.2
255.255.255.0 Site1(config-if)#no shut
Site1(config-if)#interface FastEthernet0/1
Site1(config-if)#ip address 192.168.3.1
255.255.255.0 Site1(config-if)#ip helper-address
192.168.1.1
Site1(config-if)#no shut
Site1(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0
Site1(config-router)#network 192.168.3.0
Site1(config-router)#network 192.168.7.0
```

```
interface FastEthernet0/0
ip address 192.168.1.2 255.255.255.0
duplex auto
speed auto
interface FastEthernet1/0
ip address 192.168.3.1 255.255.255.0
ip helper-address 192.168.1.1
duplex auto
speed auto
interface Serial2/0
no ip address
clock rate 2000000
shutdown
interface Serial3/0
no ip address
clock rate 2000000
shutdown
interface FastEthernet4/0
ip address 192.168.7.1 255.255.255.0
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Site2(config)#interface FastEthernet0/0
Site2(config-if)#ip address 192.168.2.2
255.255.255.0 Site2(config-if)#no shut
Site2(config)#interface FastEthernet5/0
Site2(config-if)#ip address 192.168.6.1
255.255.255.0 Site2(config-if)#no shut
Site2(config)#interface FastEthernet4/0
Site2(config-if)#ip address 192.168.5.1
255.255.255.0 Site2(config-if)#no shut
Site2(config)#interface FastEthernet1/0
Site2(config-if)#ip address 192.168.4.1
255.255.255.0 Site2(config-if)#no shut
Site2(config-if)#ip helper-address 192.168.2.1
Site2(config-if)#no shut
Site2(config)#router rip
Site2(config-router)#network 192.168.2.0
Site2(config-router)#network 192.168.4.0
Site2(config-router)#network 192.168.5.0
Site2(config-router)#network 192.168.6.0
```

```
ip dhop pool Site2
 network 192.168.6.0 255.255.255.0
 default-router 192.168.6.1
 dns-server 192.168.4.2
interface FastEthernet0/0
ip address 192.168.2.2 255.255.255.0
duplex auto
speed auto
interface FastEthernet1/0
ip address 192.168.4.1 255.255.255.0
duplex auto
speed auto
interface FastEthernet4/0
 ip address 192.168.5.1 255.255.255.0
interface FastEthernet5/0
ip address 192.168.6.1 255.255.255.0
ip helper-address 192.168.2.1
router rip
network 192.168.2.0
 network 192.168.4.0
 network 192.168.5.0
 network 192.168.6.0
 --More--
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Site2A router Site2A(config)#router rip Site2A(config-router)#network 192.168.5.0 Site2A(config-router)#network 192.168.8.0



