

Network Layer: Address Mapping, Error Reporting

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ADDRESS MAPPING

Types of Addresses in Internet

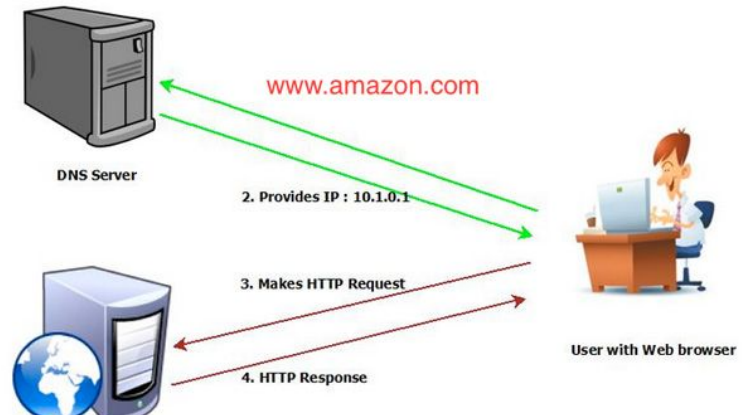
- **Media Access Control (MAC)** addresses in the network access layer
 - Associated with network interface card (NIC)
 - 48 bits
- **IP addresses** for the network layer
 - 32 bits for IPv4, and 128 bits for IPv6
 - E.g. 192.168.10.10
- **IP addresses + ports** for the transport layer
 - E.g: 192.168.10.10:80
- **Domain names** for the application layer
 - E.g: www.google.com

Logical Address and Physical Address



ARP: Address Resolution Protocol (logical to physical address)

- Logical address for a given URL(Uniform Resource Locator) can be obtained by DNS (Domain Name System)
- The MAC layer needs physical address.
- ARP helps to obtain physical address.



What is the use of MAC address?

Computers need MAC addresses!

Physical layer needs physical address to know where the IP packet physically be sent.

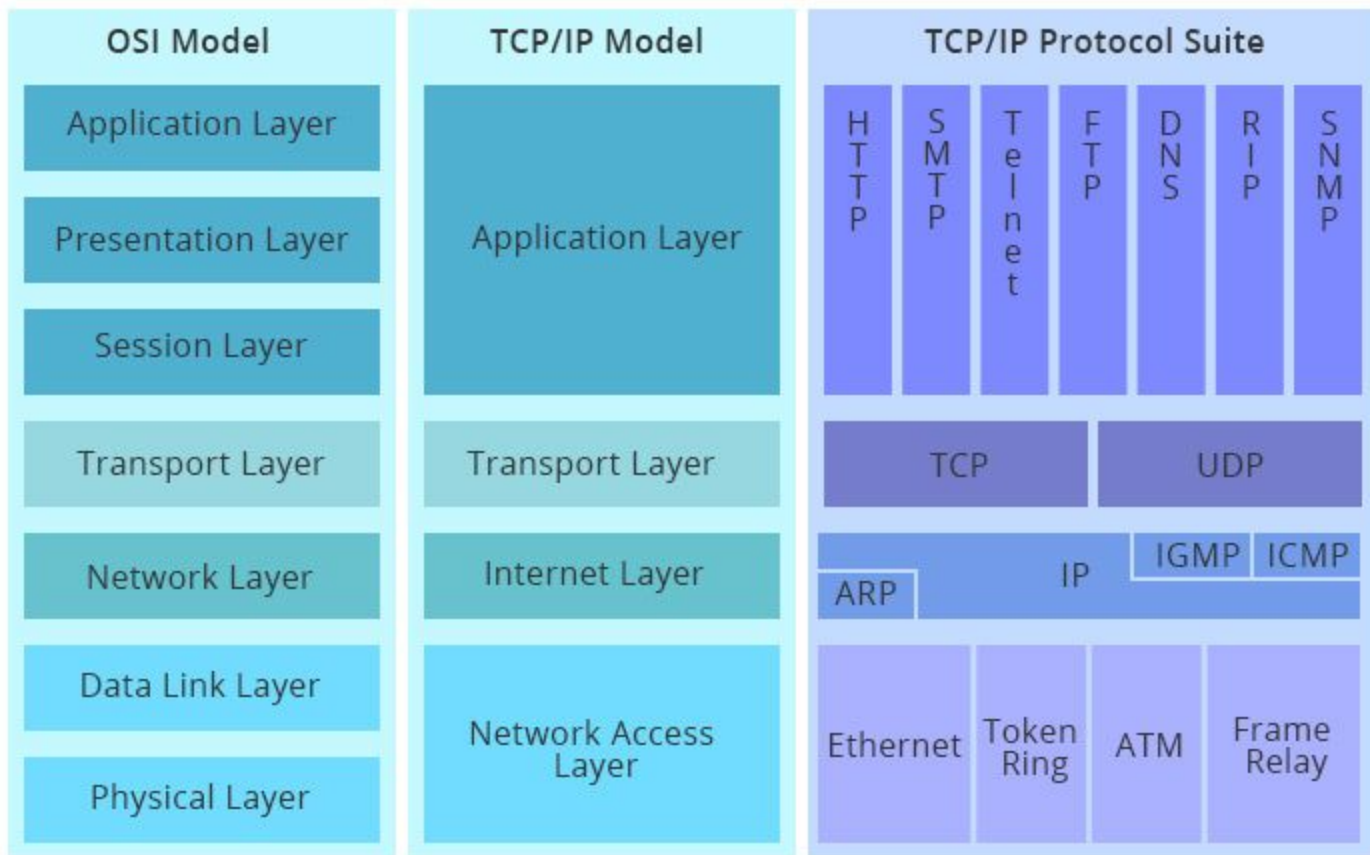
Two types of mapping from IP to MAC address:

- **Static Mapping**

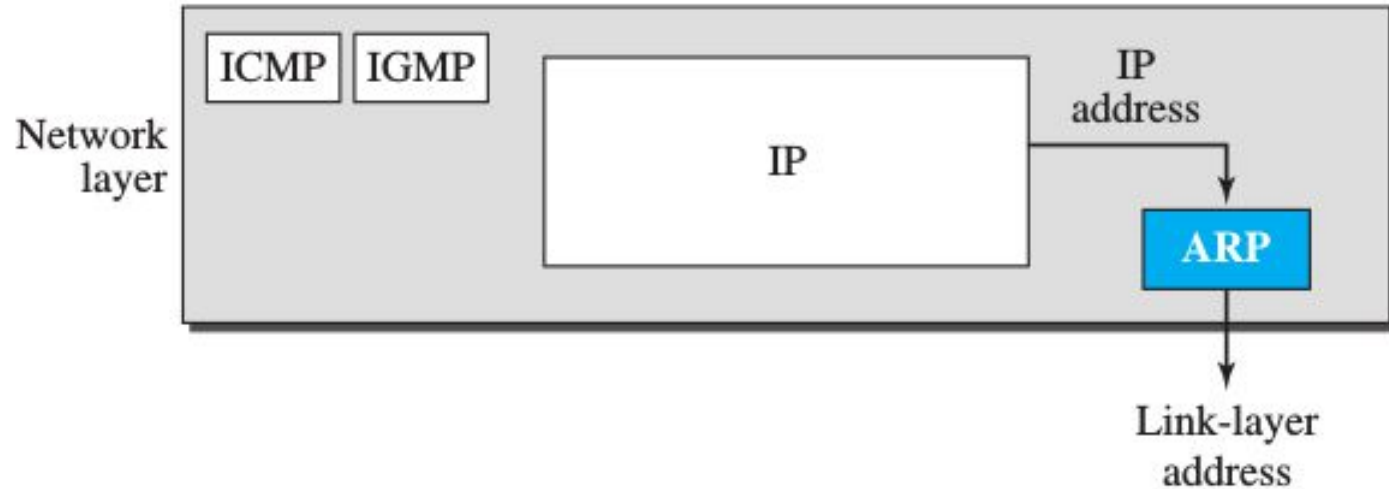
- A table with logical to physical address mapping is stored in every machine in the network.

- **Dynamic Mapping**

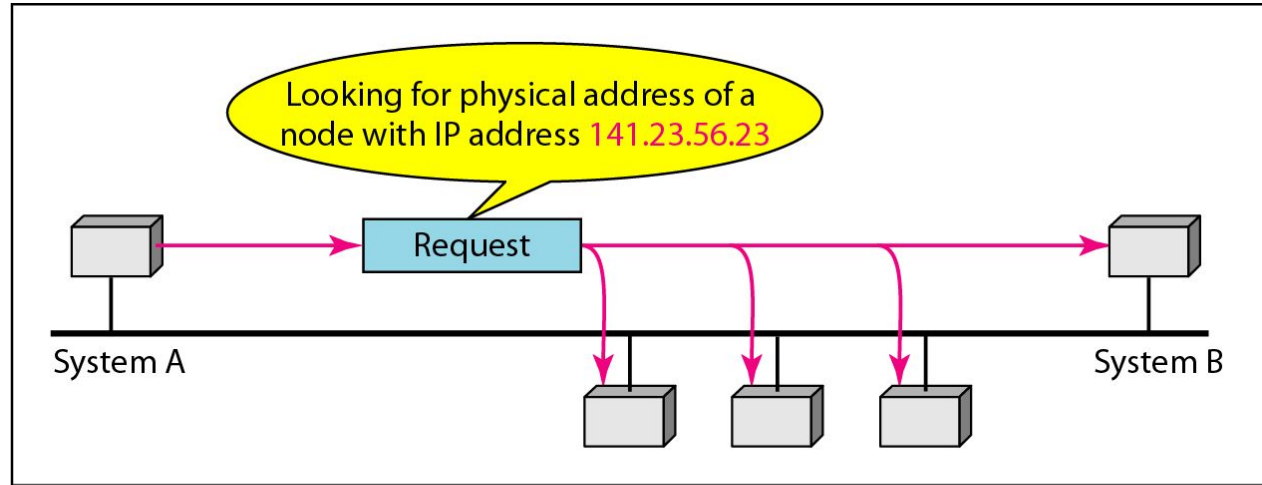
- If a host knows logical or physical address it can find the mapping using ARP or RARP protocols.



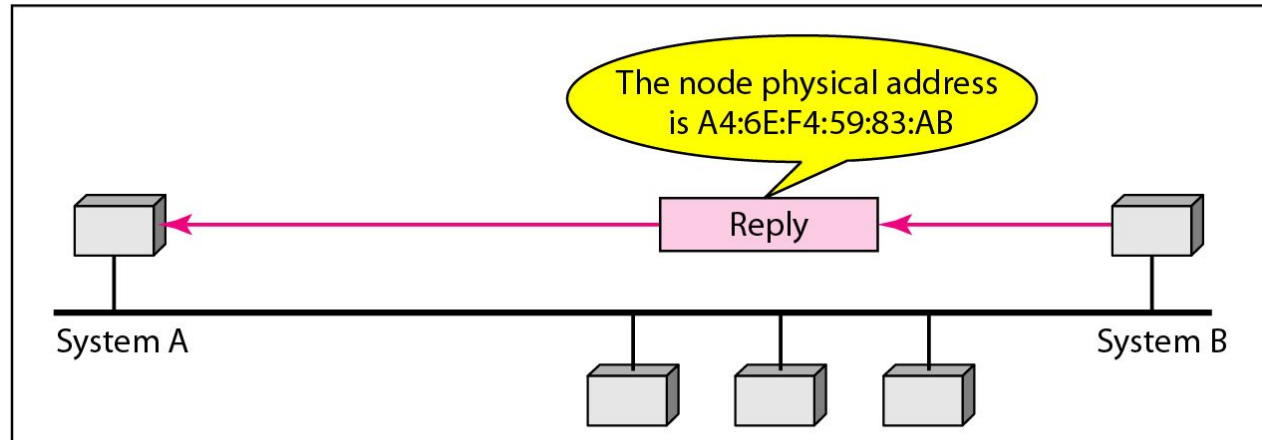
ARP is a Network Layer Protocol



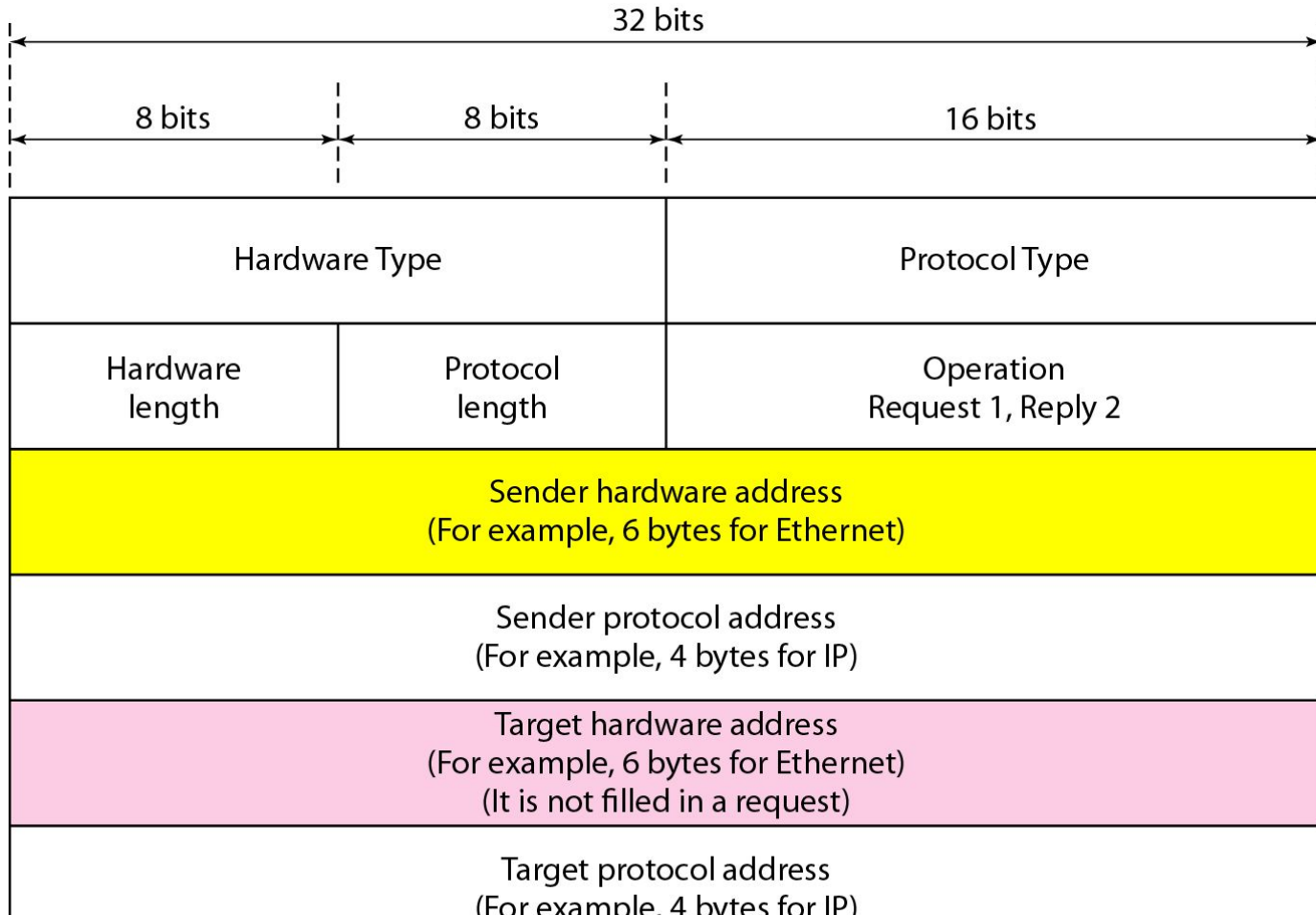
ARP Operation



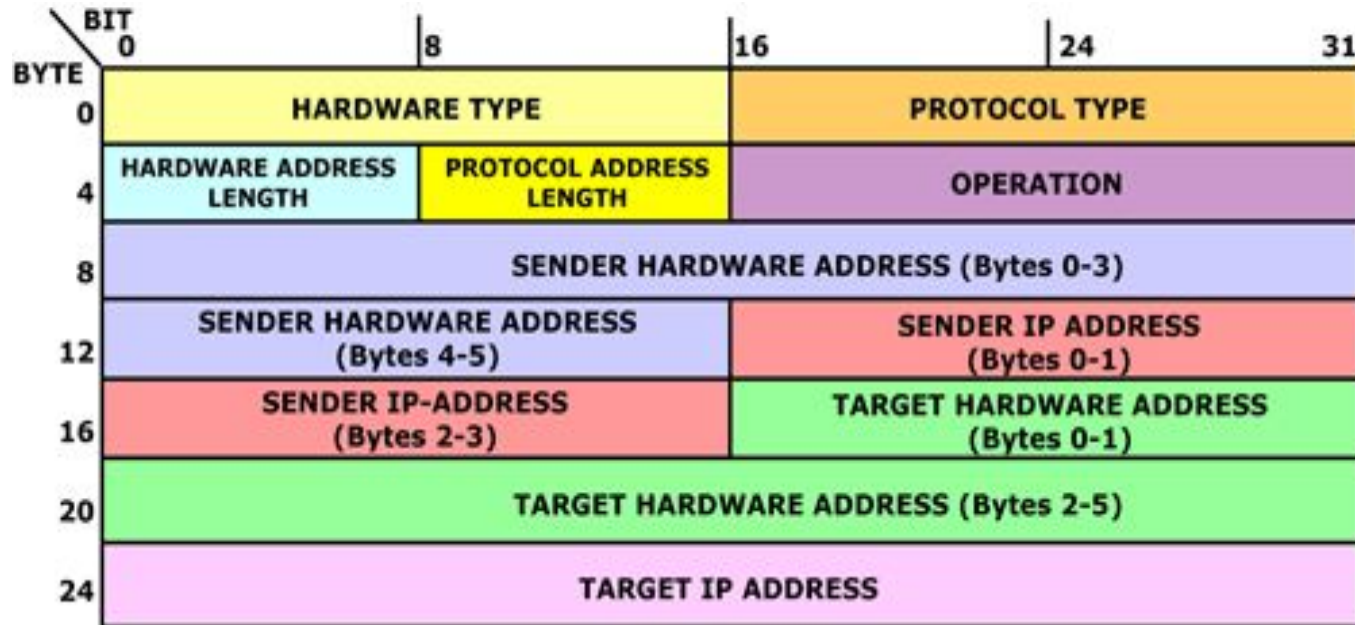
a. ARP request is broadcast



ARP Packet:



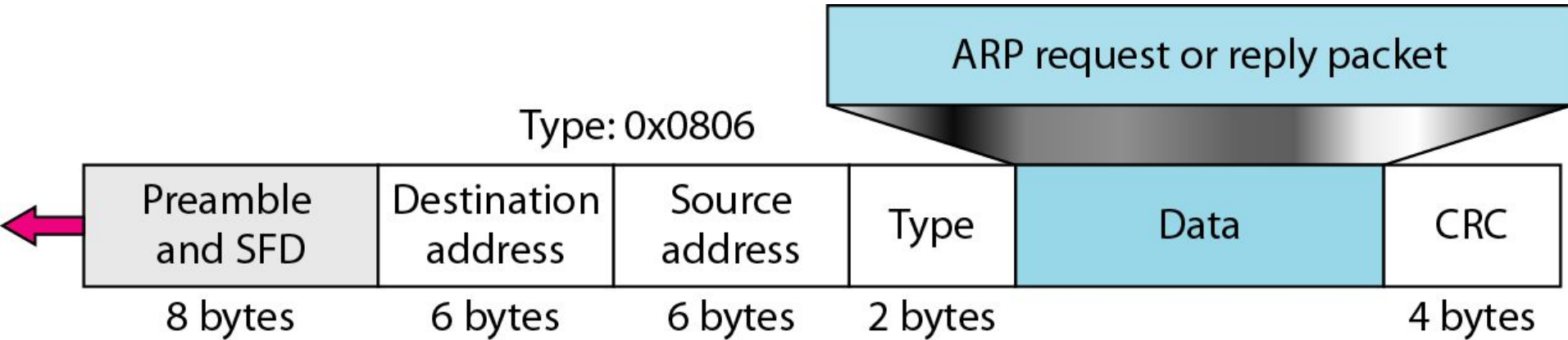
Actual Packet Format:



Example:

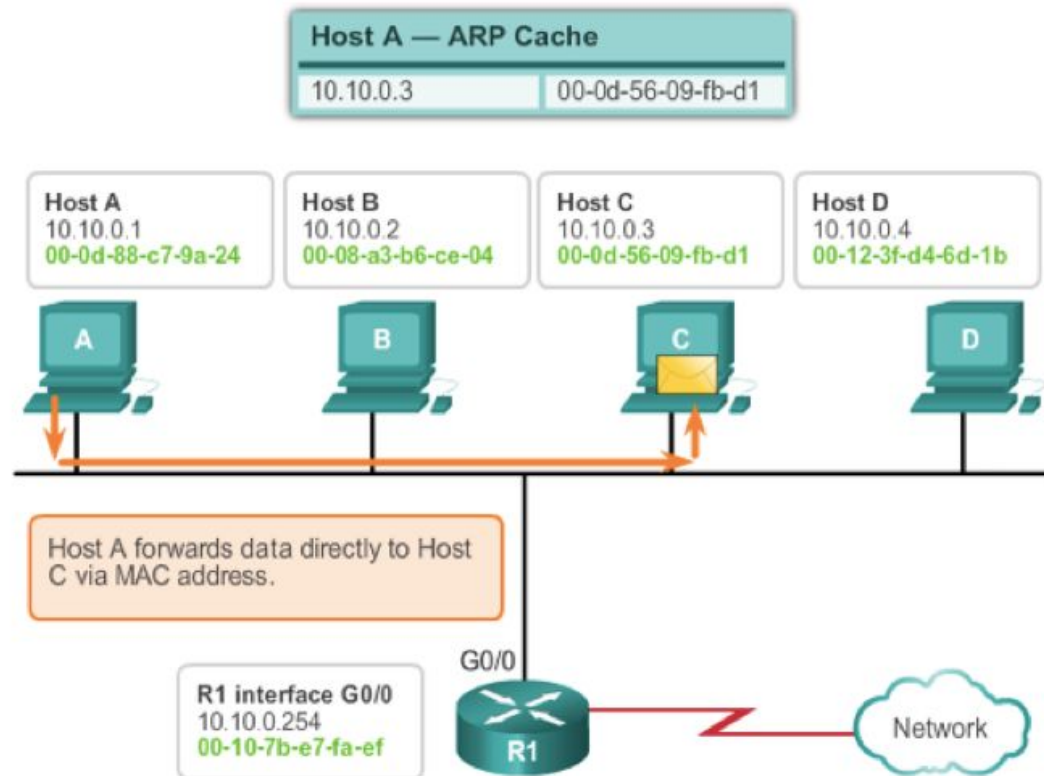
0x0001		0x0800	HW TYPE
0x06	0x04	0x0001	PROTO TYPE
MAC 1			HW LEN
IP 1			PROTO LEN
0000.0000.0000			OPERATION
IP 2			SRC HW ADDR
			SRC PROTO ADDR
			DST HW ADDR
			DST PROTO ADDR

Encapsulation of ARP Packet

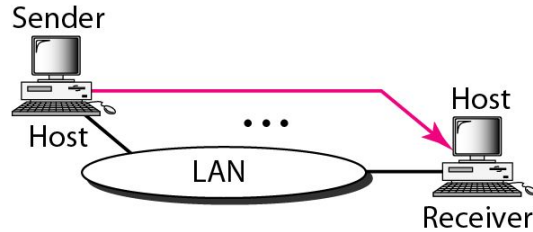


The ARP Process – Communicating Locally

Forwarding Data with MAC Address Information

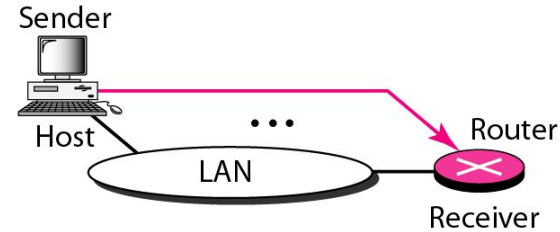


Target IP address:
Destination address in the IP datagram



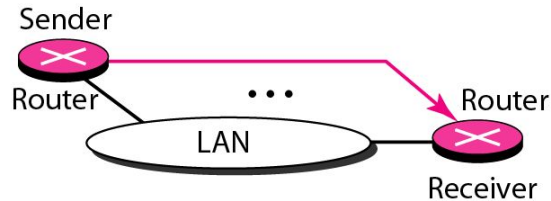
Case 1. A host has a packet to send to another host on the same network.

Target IP address:
IP address of a router



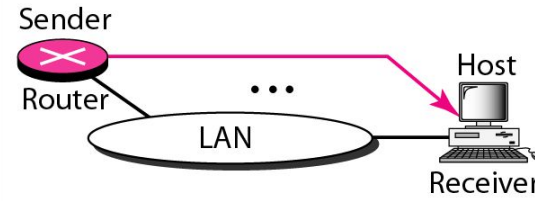
Case 2. A host wants to send a packet to another host on another network. It must first be delivered to a router.

Target IP address:
IP address of the appropriate router
found in the routing table

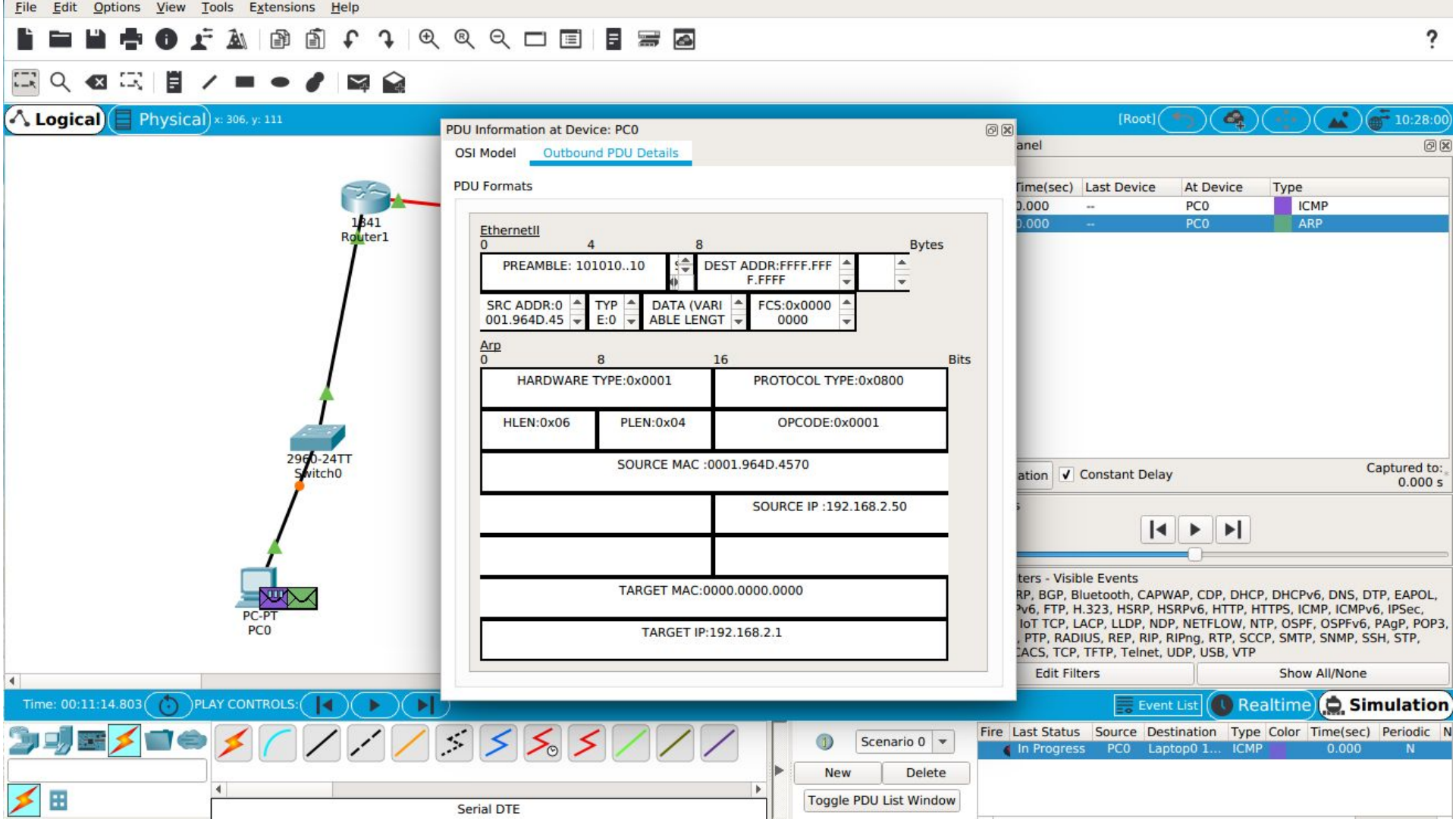


Case 3. A router receives a packet to be sent to a host on another network. It must first be delivered to the appropriate router.

Target IP address:
Destination address in the IP datagram



Case 4. A router receives a packet to be sent to a host on the same network.



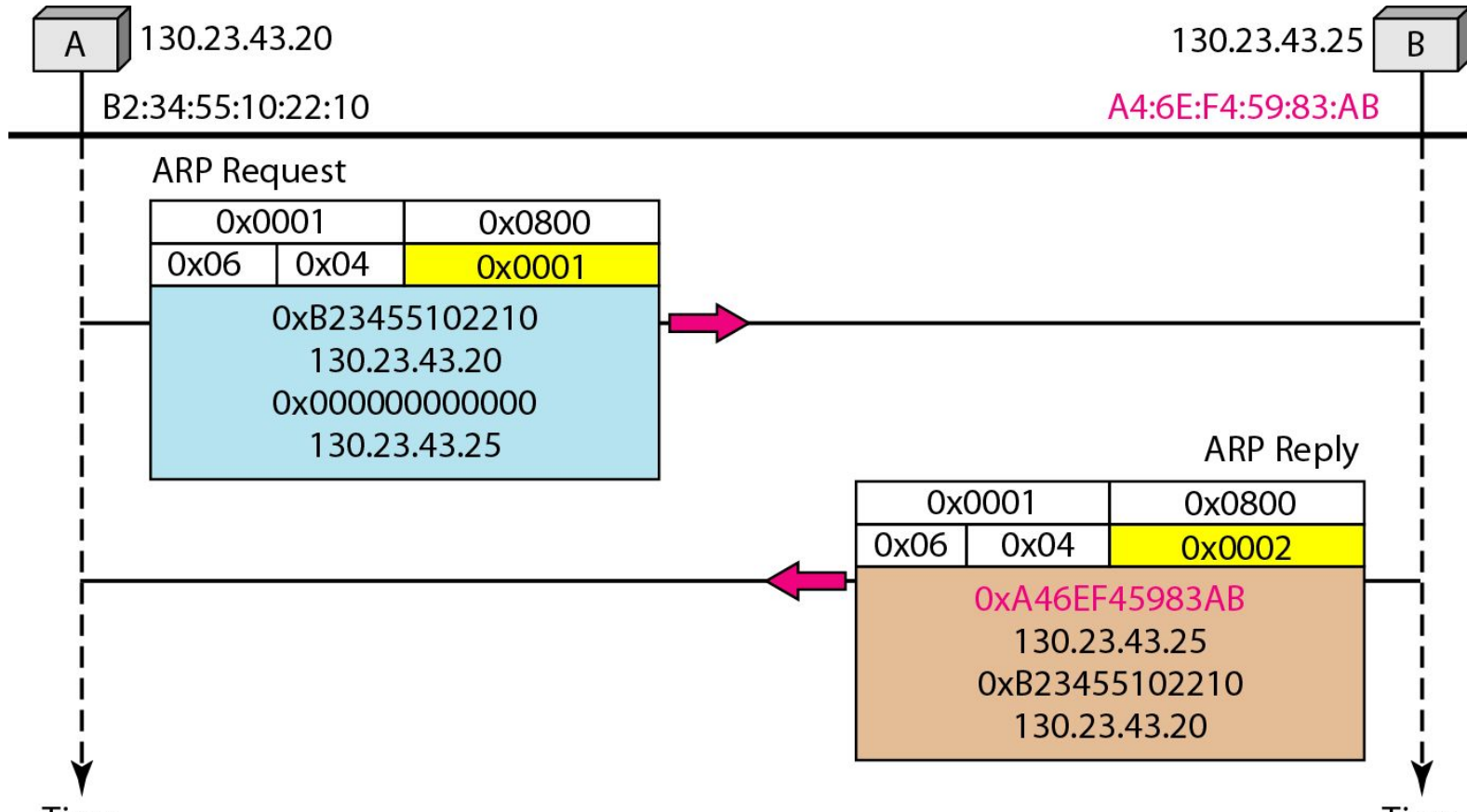
Problem:

A host with IP address 130.23.43.20 and physical address B2:34:55:10:22:10 has a packet to send to another host with IP address 130.23.43.25 and physical address A4:6E:F4:59:83:AB. The two hosts are on the same Ethernet network. Show the ARP request and reply packets encapsulated in Ethernet frames.

Solution:

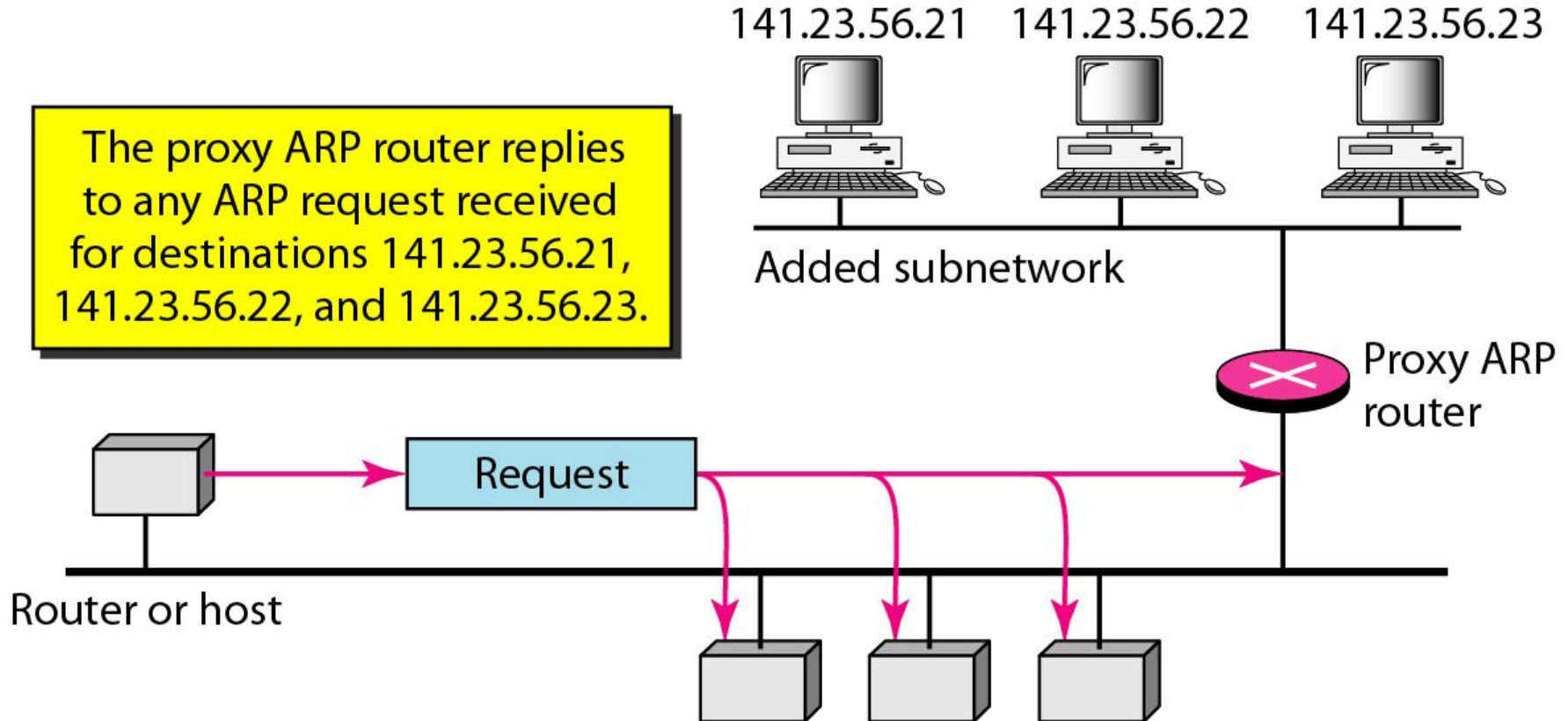
Figure 1 shows the ARP request and reply packets. Note that the ARP data field in this case is 28 bytes, and that the individual addresses do not fit in the 4-byte boundary. That is why we do not show the regular 4-byte boundaries for these addresses.

Figure 1:



Proxy ARP

The proxy ARP router replies to any ARP request received for destinations 141.23.56.21, 141.23.56.22, and 141.23.56.23.



Mapping of Physical Address to Logical Address:

- Consider two scenarios:
 - Diskless Workstation or Unavailability of memory to store IP and MAC address at a host.
 - Shortage of IP addresses
- Protocols to Map Physical address to IP address:
 - RARP : Reverse Address Resolution Protocol
 - BOOTP : Bootstrap Protocol
 - DHCP : Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

RARP : Reverse Address Resolution Protocol



a. RARP request is broadcast



b. RARP reply is unicast

RARP:

- Network Layer Protocol
- Drawback:
 - Each RARP servers need to maintain a large database of static mappings of MAC to IP addresses.
 - RARP servers provide IP addresses but not Gateway, DNS addresses and subnet masks.
- Thus it is made obsolete by BOOTP and DHCP protocols.

RARP Packet Format:

Hardware type		Protocol type
Hardware length	Protocol length	Operation Request 3, Reply 4
Sender hardware address (For example, 6 bytes for Ethernet)		
Sender protocol address (For example, 4 bytes for IP) (It is not filled for request)		
Target hardware address (For example, 6 bytes for Ethernet) (It is not filled for request)		
Target protocol address (For example, 4 bytes for IP) (It is not filled for request)		

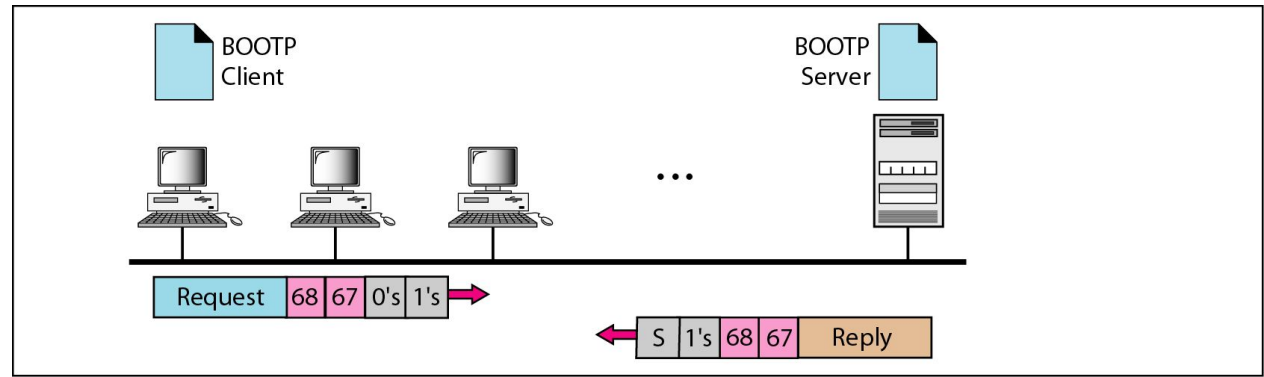
BOOTP : Bootstrap Protocol

- Application Layer Protocol
- BOOTP messages are encapsulated in a UDP packet.
- UDP packet is encapsulated in IP Packet.
- What about the Source and Destination IP addresses?
 - Source address all 0's
 - Destination address all 1's
- Advantage over RARP:
 - BOOTP client and server can be in different networks.

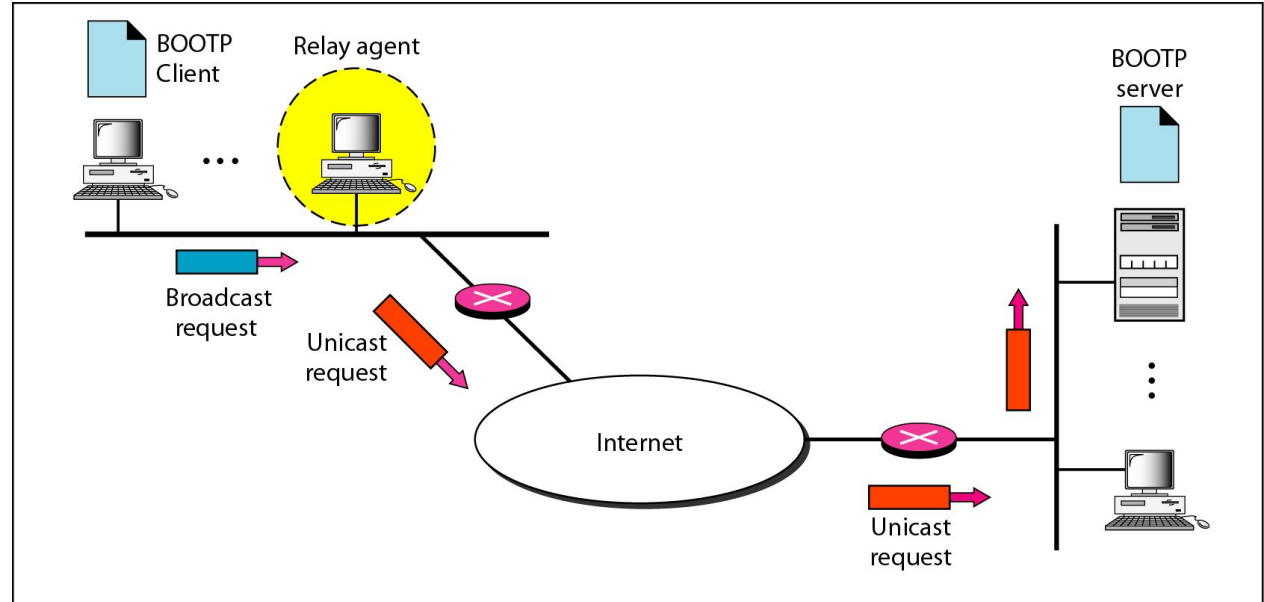
BOOTP

- Problem:
 - The BOOTP request is broadcast. It cannot pass through routers.
- Solution:
 - Make use of Relay Agents.

Example:



a. Client and server on the same network

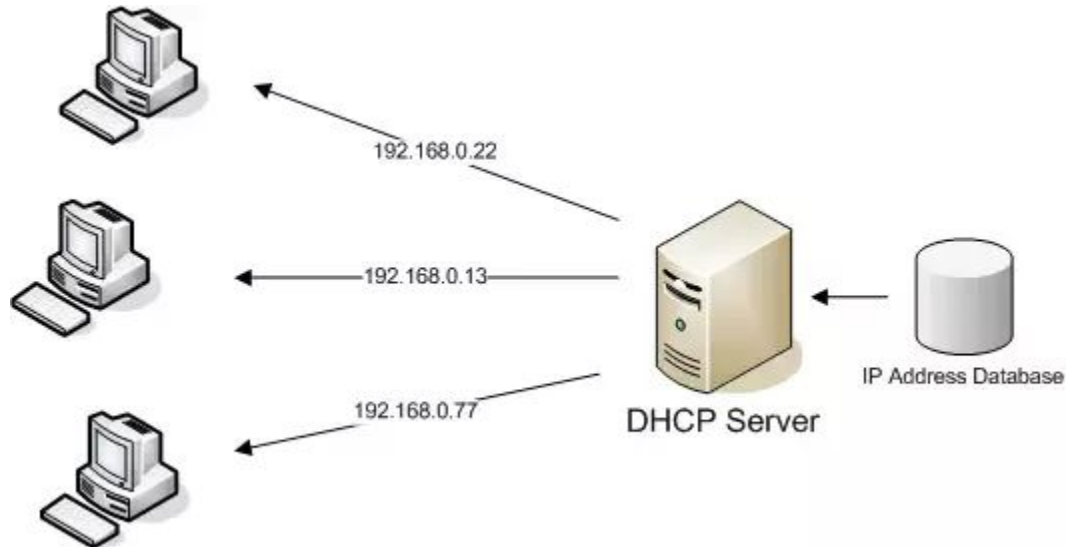


DHCP : Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

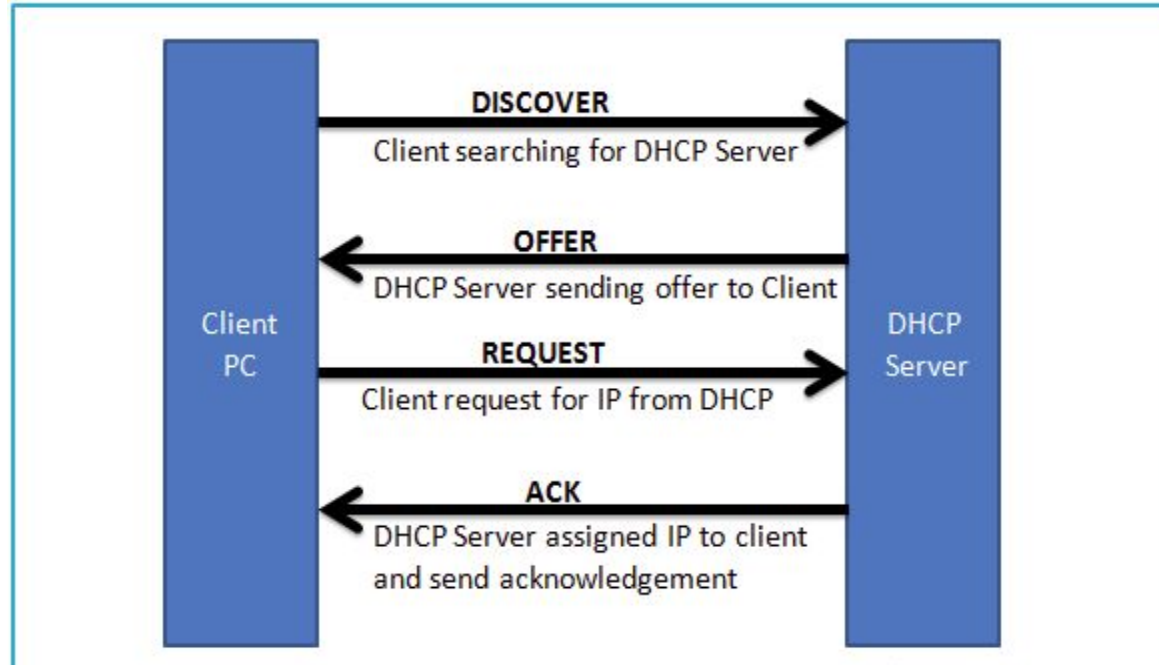
- Static address allocation: Similar to BOOTP
- Dynamic address allocation:
 - DHCP client request for the address
 - DHCP server checks static database. If an entry is present , return static address.
 - If no entry in static database, then selects address from a pool and returns it.
 - The DHCP assigns the address on basis of lease for specific interval of time.

DHCP:

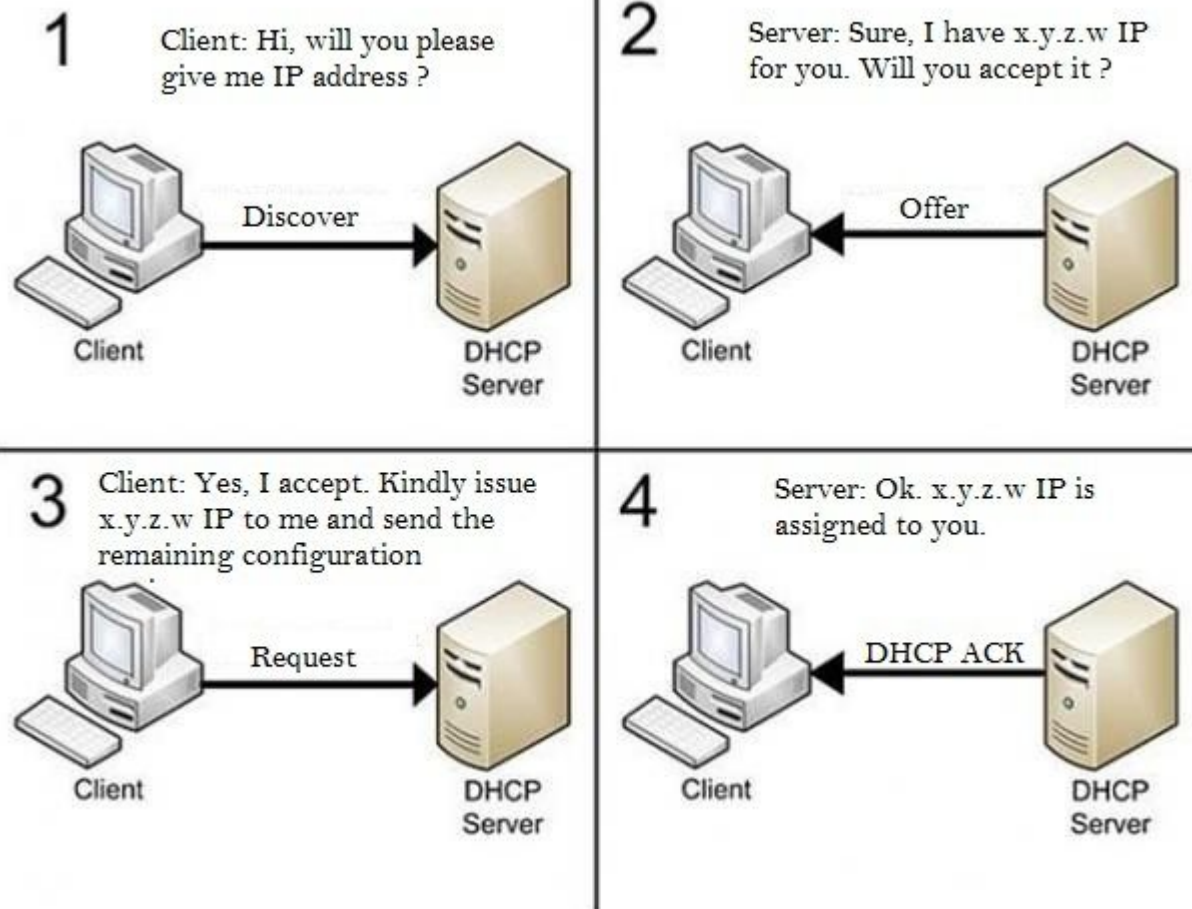
- DHCP provides static and dynamic address allocation that can be manual or automatic.



DHCP : DORA Process

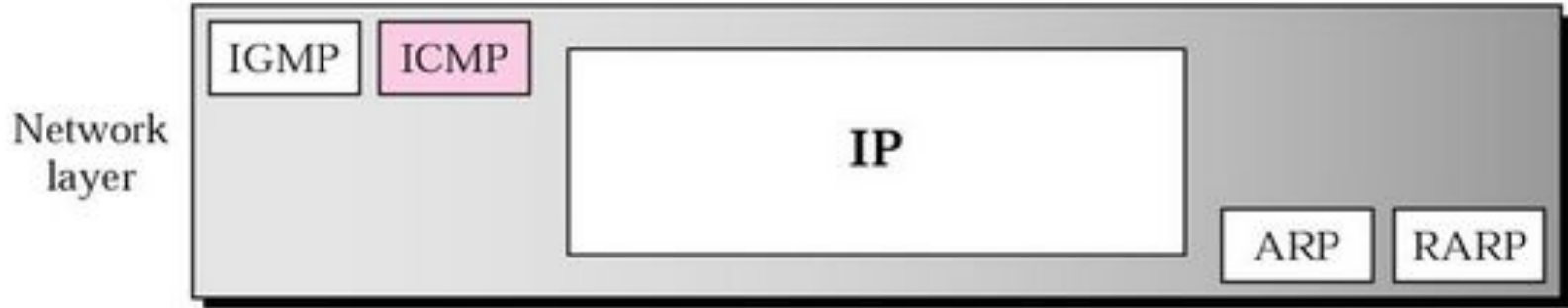


Example:



ERROR REPORTING

ICMP : Internet Control Message Protocol



ICMP:

- The IP protocol has no **error-reporting or error-correcting mechanism**.
- The IP protocol also lacks a mechanism for host and management queries.
- The **Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)** has been designed to compensate for the above two deficiencies.
- It is a companion to the IP protocol.

Two types of ICMP Messages:

- Error Reporting
- Query

NOTE:

ICMP always reports error messages to the original source.

Error-Reporting Messages:

