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9th Assignment: Network Protocols and Architectures, WS 20/21

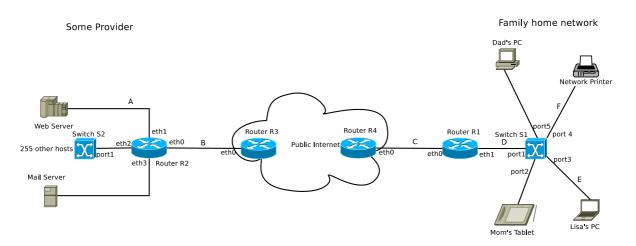


Figure 1: Network Topology

Question 1: (10+10+10+15+15=60 points) MAC Addressing and ARP

The Figure 1 shows two sites, "Some Provider" and "Family home network", which are connected via the public Internet. The topology comprises four routers (R1, R2, R3 and R4), two switches (no layer 3 switches but simple layer 2 devices) S1 and S2, and several hosts, e.g., Lisa's PC or a Web Server. Interfaces of the routers are labeled eth_i and ports of the switch are labeled $port_i$. You can ignore any communication and devices inside the public Internet, i.e., between routers R3 and R4.

You can assume that the **router R1 employs NAT** and the <u>following IP addresses are known in this topology:</u>

• Lisa's PC: 192.168.178.103

• Network printer: 192.168.178.101

• R1 eth1: 192.168.178.1

• R1 eth0: 231.95.3.4

• R2 eth1: 23.42.16.1

• R2 eth0: 35.147.214.31

• R3 eth0: 35.147.214.32

• R4 eth0: 231.95.3.5

• Web server: 23.42.16.2

You can download the topology from Figure 1 via ISIS from: https://isis.tu-berlin.de/mod/resource/view.php?id=935044 in various formats and use it for annotation.

Please turn!

LAN Segment	Source IP	Source MAC	Destination IP	Destination MAC
A				

Table 1: Addressing

- (a) In the topology from Figure 1, assign MAC addresses to all layer 2 interfaces¹. For simplicity, it is sufficient to provide the last 8 bits of the MAC address, i. e., two characters in HEX notation (e.g., AB) as long as they are unique. You do not have to assign MAC addresses to the "255 other hosts".
- (b) In the topology, clearly mark any broadcast and collision domain. How do these domains change when switch S2 is replaced by a hub?
- (c) Which parts of the Ethernet, IP and TCP header will be modified when a packet is forwarded by:
 - i) router R1
 - ii) switch S1
- (d) Lisa wants to connect to the network printer via IPv4. Assume that all ARP caches in the network are empty.

What ARP messages are exchanged until Lisa's PC knows the network printer's MAC address? Enter the IP and MAC address fields of the messages into a table as in Table 1, providing one row for each message seen on LAN segments E and F.

Hint: You need one row for each ARP message on each of the two LAN segments.

(e) Assume that Lisa's PC has sent a packet to the Web server, and that the Web server now sends back a packet, using IPv4.

What are the **IP and MAC address fields** of a packet sent by the web server to Lisa's computer, as observed on the different LAN segments? Assume that the ARP tables are not empty anymore, and that all necessary MAC addresses are known by the devices.

Consider the packet traversing all LAN segments drawn (A, B, C, D, E) and enter your result in a table as in Table 1, one row per LAN segment.

Question 2: (20 + 5 + 10 + 5 = 40 points) Neighbor Discovery in IPv6

We will now consider the Neighbor Discovery in IPv6. Use Wireshark to open the trace from: https://isis.tu-berlin.de/mod/resource/view.php?id=935043 and answer the following questions.

(a) First, explain all packets in the trace, except for the packets belonging to the TCP connection, with one or two short sentences each.

Second, give a short summary about the purpose of the TCP connections.

Hint: You can give names to the communicating devices.

- (b) **How many Neighbor Discoveries** are in the trace and **where** (or when) in the trace do they occur?
- (c) Why are the packets in the trace sufficient to populate the IPv6 neighbor cache of the hosts involved? Assume that the IPv6 neighbor cache was empty at the beginning of the trace.
- (d) Comparing Neighbor Discovery in IPv6 and ARP in IPv4, at which layer(s) of the network stack do they operate?

Hint: You can probably take a quick look at some ARP packets on your local network just by opening Wireshark and starting a capture.

Due Date: Wednesday, January, 27th 2021 11.59 pm (end of day)

- As PDF files (no MS Office or OpenOffice files), uploaded via ISIS: https://isis.tu-berlin.de/course/view.php?id=21979
- Put the names and Student ID numbers (Matrikelnummer) of all your group members and the tutorial slot on your solution!

¹You can either label them in the topology figure or provide a list. Please make sure it is clear which address belongs to which interface.