

Computer Networking

Basics:

- **Network:** A computer network is a digital telecommunications network for sharing resources between nodes, which are computing devices that use a common telecommunications technology
- **Node:** A computing device.
- **Bus network:** All the devices are connected on one single long cable.
- **Client:** A client is a piece of computer hardware or software that accesses a service available by a server
- **Server:** A server is a computer program or device that provides functionality for other programs or devices called clients
- **Protocol:** A set of rules used in communication between clients

Network Devices:

- **Repeater:** A repeater is an electronic device that receives a signal and retransmits it.
- **Hub:** A hub is essentially a multi-port repeater. Wireless Access Point is essentially a hub in the air.
 - **Active Hub:** These are the hubs that have their own power supply and can clean, boost, and relay the signal along with the network. It serves both as a repeater as well as a wiring center.
 - **Passive Hub:** These are the hubs that collect wiring from nodes and power supply from the active hub. They are generally used to relay signals with cleaning or boosting them.
 - **Intelligent Hub:** It works like active hubs and includes remote management capabilities. They also provide flexible data rates to network devices. It also enables an administrator to monitor the traffic passing through the hub and to configure each port in the hub.
- **Bridge:** A bridge is a repeater with add on the functionality of filtering content by reading mac addresses of source and destination. It was mostly used to interconnect two LANs.
 - **Transparent Bridge:** These are the bridges in which the stations are completely unaware of the bridge's existence.
 - **Source Routing Bridge:** In these bridges, routing operation is performed by the source station and the frame specifies the route to follow.
- **Switch:** A switch reads each frame and has the intelligence to transmit data to the port it is destined for based on MAC addresses.
- **Router:** A router is a device like a switch that routes data packets based on their IP addresses. The router is mainly a Network Layer device.
- **Wireless Access Point:** A wireless access point is a networking device that allows wireless-capable devices to connect to a wired network.
- **Wireless LAN Controller:** A WLAN controller is used to manage large scale deployments of light weight and normal wireless access points.
- **Firewall:** A firewall is a network security system that monitors and controls incoming and outgoing network traffic based on predetermined security rules.
- **IDS:** It's a software system that warns if there is an intrusion. They just get copies of packets that are analyzed.
- **IPS:** It's a software system can alert you if there may be a problem and block the same. They stay inline of the network and detect and block intrusions.
- **Email Security Appliance:** The Email Security Appliance is an email security gateway product. It is designed to detect and block a wide variety of email-borne threats, such as malware, spam, and phishing attempts.
- **Load Balancer:** A load balancer is a device that acts as a reverse proxy and distributes network or application traffic across several servers.

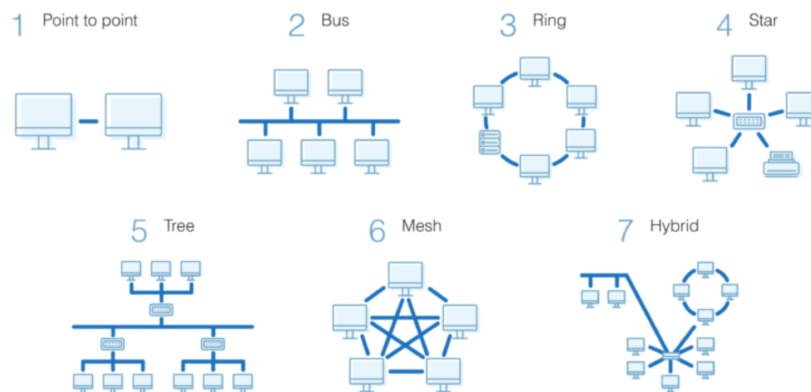
Types of Networks based on Area:

- **WAN:** A Wide Area Network is a telecommunications network that extends over a large geographical area for the primary purpose of computer networking.

- LAN: A Local Area Network is a computer network that interconnects computers within a limited area such as a residence, school and so on
- MAN: Metropolitan Area Network
- Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN)
- Campus Area Network (CAN)
- Storage Area Network (SAN)
- Passive Optical Local Area Network (POLAN)
- Enterprise Private Network (EPN)
- Virtual Private Network (VPN)
- Personal Area Network (PAN)

Types of Networks based on Topology:

- Mesh Topology
- Ring Topology
- Bus Topology
- Star Topology
- Hybrid Topology
- Point to Point Topology



Signaling:

- **Baseband Signaling:** Can only transmit a single signal at any given time.
- **Broadband Signaling:** Can transmit multiple signals at any given time.

Cable Types:

- **Coaxial Cabling:** Coaxial cable has an inner conductor that runs down the middle of the cable. This type of cabling comes in two types, thinnet and thicknet. Max Transmission Speed of 10 Mbps
- **Twisted-pair Cabling:** Has four pair of wires. It comes in two versions, UTP (Unshielded Twisted-Pair) and STP (Shielded Twisted-Pair). Uses 8P8C/RJ45 Connector
- **Fiber-optic Cabling:** Uses optical fibers to transmit data in the form of light signals. There are two types of fiber-optic cables - Single-mode fiber (SMF) and Multi-mode fiber (MMF). Uses ST/SC Connectors

Coaxial Cable



Twisted Pair



Fiber Optic



Ethernet Standards:

- **10Base-T** (IEEE 802.3): 10 Mbps with category 3 unshielded twisted pair (UTP) wiring, up to 100 meters long.
- **100Base-TX** (IEEE 802.3u): known as Fast Ethernet, uses category 5, 5E, or 6 UTP wiring, up to 100 meters long.
- **100Base-FX** (IEEE 802.3u): a version of Fast Ethernet that uses multi-mode optical fiber. Up to 412 meters long.
- **1000Base-CX** (IEEE 802.3z): uses copper twisted-pair cabling. Up to 25 meters long.
- **1000Base-T** (IEEE 802.3ab): Gigabit Ethernet that uses Category 5 UTP wiring. Up to 100 meters long.
- **1000Base-SX** (IEEE 802.3z): 1 Gigabit Ethernet running over multimode fiber-optic cable.
- **1000Base-LX** (IEEE 802.3z): 1 Gigabit Ethernet running over single-mode fiber.
- **10GBase-T** (802.3an): 10 Gbps connections over category 5e, 6, and 7 UTP cables.

Cable Categories:

- Higher Categories have more twists, are less susceptible to EMI, more stringent specifications for cross talk and system noise.
- CAT1: was previously used for telephones and modems.
- CAT2: was used for telephone and data networks up to 4Mbps.
- CAT3: Now generally used for telephones. Previously for data networks up to 10Mbps
- CAT4: Defined up to 50 MHz with speeds up to 16 Mbps.
- CAT5: Defined up to 100 MHz, speeds of 10/100Mbps supported longer cable runs of 1Gbps an issue.
- CAT5e: Defined up to 100 MHz, speeds up to 1Gbps.
- CAT6: Defined up to 250 MHz, supports 10Gbps up to 55 m.
- CAT6a: Defined up to 500 MHz, supports 10Gbps up to 100m. Good reduction in cross talks.
- CAT7: Defined up to 600 MHz, supports 10Gbps up to 100m with better connectors to reduce cross talks.
- CAT7a: Defined up to 1000MHz, supports 100Gbps.
- CAT8: Supports 40Gbps. Released in March 2013, next generation.
- CAT8.1: Backward compatible and interoperable with CAT 6a.
- CAT8.2: Interoperable with CAT7

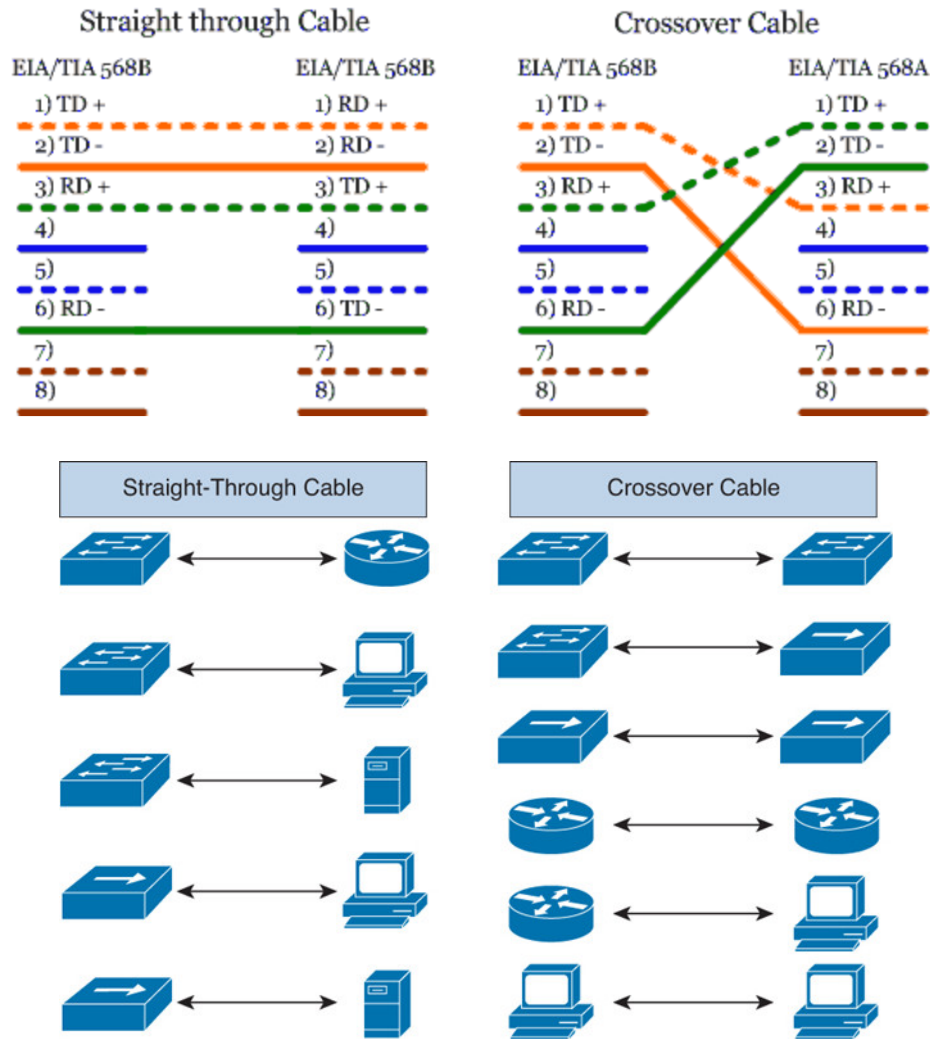
CAT1-CAT5 are now obsolete.

Other Cables:

- Direct Attachment Cable (DAC) Copper Twinax:
 - Comes in various lengths with SFPs at each end.
 - SFP: Hot pluggable transceiver.
 - SFPs supports various connectors and data rates up to 10Gbps.
 - Roll over cable: Special cable used in Cisco environment to connect a com port to console port.

Ethernet Cable Forms:

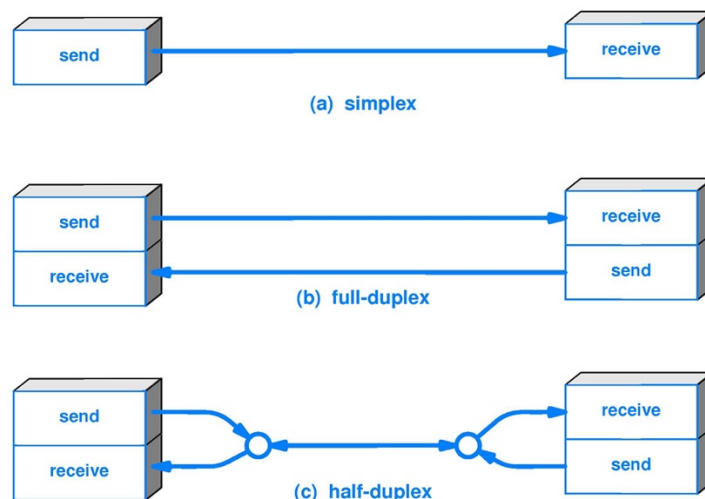
- **Straight-through Cable:** On a straight through cable, the wired pins match. Straight through cable use one wiring standard: both ends use T568A wiring standard or both ends use T568B wiring standard.
- **Crossover Cable:** Crossover cable uses two different wiring standards: one end uses the T568A wiring standard, and the other end uses the T568B wiring standard. Pin1->Pin3 and Pin2->Pin6



Medium Dependent Interface (MDI): It is a type of ethernet port connection that uses twisted-pair cabling to link two network devices. MDIX (MDI Crossover) is a version of MDI that enables connection between like devices.

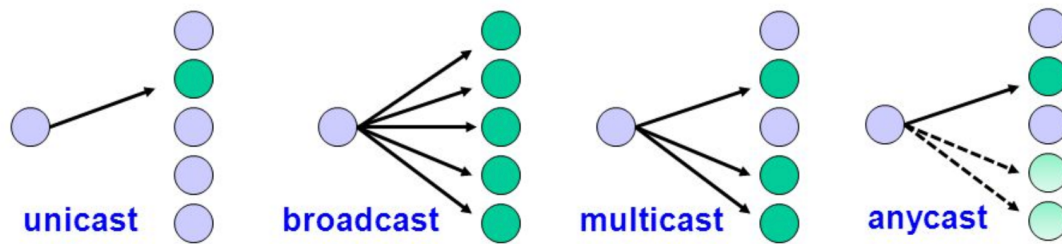
Data flow Types:

- **Simplex Mode:** Communication is unidirectional.
- **Half-Duplex Mode:** Each station can both transmit and receive, but not at the same time.
- **Full-Duplex Mode:** Both stations can transmit and receive simultaneously.



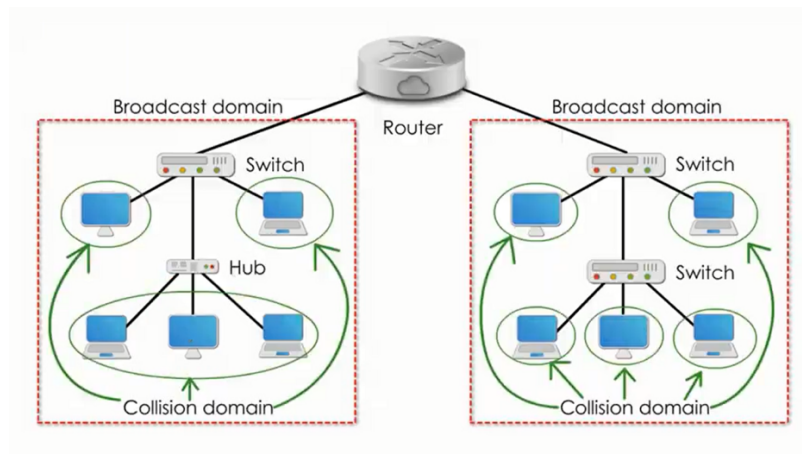
Communication Types:

- **Unicast:** Communication from one point to another point
- **Broadcast:** Communication from one point to all other points
- **Multicast:** Communication from one/more points to a set of other points
- **Anycast:** It is a network addressing and routing methodology in which a single destination IP address is shared by nodes in multiple locations.



Network Domain:

- **Broadcast Domain:** A broadcast domain is a logical division of a computer network, in which all nodes can reach each other by broadcast at the data link layer.
- **Collision Domain:** A collision domain is a network segment connected by a shared medium where simultaneous data transmissions collide with one another.



54321 Rule:

- 5 - the number of network segments
- 4 - the number of repeaters needed to join the segments into one collision domain
- 3 - the number of network segments that have active (transmitting) devices attached
- 2 - the number of segments that do not have active devices attached
- 1 - the number of collision domains

Types of Layered Models: Layers and Protocol Data Units (PDUs):

OSI Model:

1. Physical Layer (Bits)
2. Datalink Layer (Frame)
3. Network Layer (Packet)
4. Transport Layer (Segment)
5. Session Layer (Data)
6. Presentation Layer (Data)
7. Application Layer (Data)

TCP/IP Model (4):

1. Physical Layer (Frame): Physical Addresses (MAC)
2. Network Layer (Packet): IP Addresses (IP)

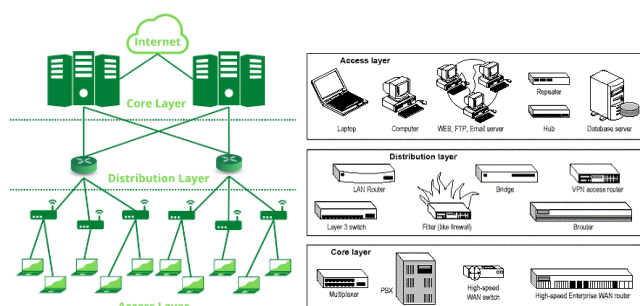
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Cisco 3-Layer Model:

1. Core Layer: This layer is considered the backbone of the network and includes the high-end switches and high-speed cables such as Fiber cables. This layer of the network does not route traffic at the LAN. In addition, no packet manipulation is done by devices in this layer. Rather, this layer is concerned with speed and ensures reliable delivery of packets.
2. Distribution Layer: This layer includes LAN-based routers and layer 3 switches. This layer ensures that packets are properly routed between subnets and VLANs in your enterprise. This layer is also called the Workgroup layer.
3. Access Layer: This layer includes hubs and switches. This layer is also called the desktop layer because it focuses on connecting client nodes, such as workstations to the network. This layer ensures that packets are delivered to end user computers.



Math Review:

- Binary:
 - IPv4 addresses use Binary.
 - 2 possible values per bit (Base 2): 0,1
 - Total number of outcomes for a given number: 2^n (For example, for 8 bits: $2^8 = 256$)
 - To represent 255 in Binary

Base	2^7	2^6	2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0
Binary Bit	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Decimal	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1

$$128+64+32+16+8+4+2+1 = 255$$

- IPv4 has 32 bits – 4 octets. $2^{32} = 429,496,7296$ IP addresses
- Hexadecimal:
 - MAC addresses use Hexadecimal.
 - 16 possible values per bit (Base 16): 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F
 - Converting from Decimal to Hexadecimal (Ex: 224->E0):
 - 224 in Binary: 1110 0000 (Divide into 4 bits each)
 - $1110_2 = 14_{10} = E_{16}$
 - $0000_2 = 0_{10} = 0_{16}$
 - Result: E0

IPv4 Addressing:

- Internet Protocol v4 is a connectionless network layer protocol. Each packet is treated independently in this protocol which allows the packets to take different paths as needed.
- An IPv4 address is a layer 3 logical address assigned by an administrator. It is used to identify specific devices on a network and must be unique in internet.
- Private IP addresses are NATted to public address when traffic is sent onto internet.
- Format of IP address:
 - 32 bits 4 octets of 8 bits (1byte) each
 - Network Address Portion (Network ID)
 - Identifies a specific network.
 - Routers look at destination of IP address and match to network address.
 - Host portion (Host ID):
 - Identifies a specific endpoint on a network.

- Address Classes to accommodate different sizes of network and aid in classifying networks:

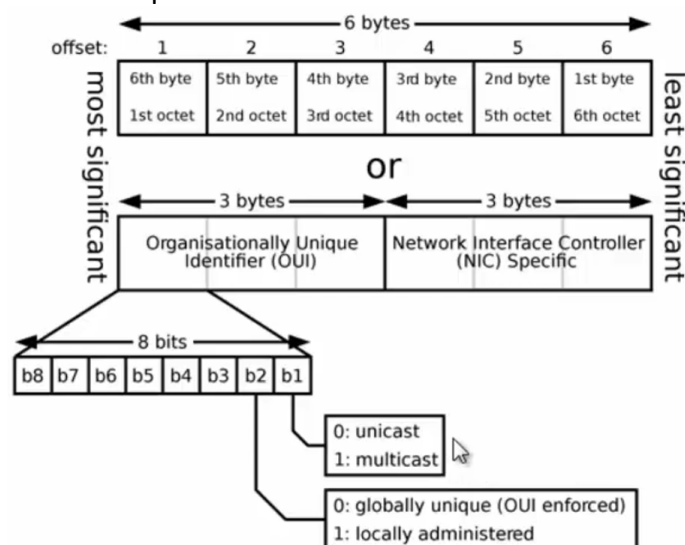
Class A – Unicast	0.0.0.0 to 127.255.255.255	8 network bits, 24 host bits
Class B – Unicast	128.0.0.0 to 191.255.255.255	16 network bits, 16 host bits
Class C – Unicast	192.0.0.0 to 223.255.255.255	24 network bits, 8 host bits
Class D – Multicast	224.0.0.0 to 240.255.255.255	
Class E – Reserved for future	241.0.0.0 to 255.255.255.255	

- **Exceptions, Reservations and Special addresses:**
 - 0.0.0.0/8 - Default network
 - 127.0.0.0/8 – Local Loopback address.
 - 224.0.0.X – Link local multicasts, generally used by routing tables.
 - 224.0.0.5-224.0.0.6 - OSPF
 - Directed Broadcast address: Fill 1s in the entire host portion of the address.
 - Local Broadcast address: Fill 1s in all 32 bits. Generally used for DHCP address
 - 10.0.0.0/8 – Private IP address range (not routable on internet)
 - 172.16.0.0/12 – Private IP address range (not routable on internet)
 - 192.168.0.0/16 – Private IP address range (not routable on internet)
 - 169.254.0.0/16 – Non-routable Link Local Addresses (Automatic Private IP Addressing)
- **Subnet Masks:**
 - Used to determine network and host portion of a given IP address through AND operation.
 - Is the device remote (route through default gateway) or local (ARP)?
 - Class A: 255.0.0.0
 - Class B: 255.255.0.0
 - Class C: 255.255.255.0
 - Discontinuous subnet masks not supported:
11110000.11111111.00000110.11000000 (240.244.3.191)
 - Only contiguous subnet masks are supported.
11111111.11110000.00000000.00000000 (255.240.0.0)
- **Classless Inter Domain Routing (CIDR):**
 - Replaces classful IP addressing with variable length subnet mask (VLSM)
 - CIDR notation /X where X denotes number of 1's present in binary form of a subnet mask.
 - Reduces wastage of big number of addresses.
 - Ex: /11 = 255.224.0.0
- **Subnetting:**

- Work the following for a given IP address: Network address, First IP address, Last IP address, Broadcast address.
- Binary method to work an IP address:
 - Subnet address: Fill the host portion with binary 0s.
 - Broadcast address: Fill the host portion with binary 1s.
 - First host: Fill the host portion with binary 0s and set the last bit to 1.
 - Last host: Fill the host portion with binary 1s and set the last bit to 0.
 - Ex: 172.16.35.123/20:
 - Subnet: **172.16.0010 0000.0000 0000** = 172.16.32.0
 - 1st Host: **172.16.0010 0000.0000 0001** = 172.16.32.1
 - Last Host: **172.16.0010 1111.1111 1110** = 172.16.47.254
 - Broadcast: **172.16.0010 1111.1111 1111** = 172.16.47.255
- Number of hosts in a network: $2^h - 2$ (h = number of bits in host portion)
- Number of networks: 2^n (n = number of bits in network portion)
- Number of subnets: 2^n (n = number of bits in varying network octet)

MAC Address:

- 6 bytes or 48 bits in length: 24 bits OUI (Organizational unique identifier) and 24 bits of Station Address
- MAC addresses are unique to avoid collisions and conflicts.
- Broadcast MAC address: FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:FF
- OUI bits can be used to represent nature of communication as shown below:



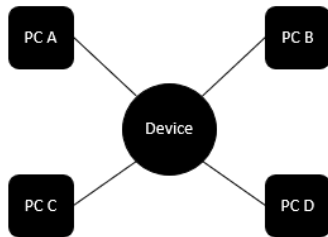
Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Detection (CSMA/CD):

- Used to find if any other device sending traffic in a bus topology to avoid collisions in a CD.
- Before sending traffic, a device broadcasts if another device is communicating. If there is no response, it goes ahead and sends traffic.
- If a collision takes place, a backoff/jam signal is sent.

Connecting to Networking Devices:

- Connectors used: Serial Cable or RJ45 or USB.
- Protocols used: Telnet, SSH, GUI
- Review Cisco common CLI command reference

Data Flow in Hub, Bridge, Switch, Router:



Hub

- Physical Layer Device
- Multiport Repeater
- Amplifies/Repeats any packet it gets in any port to all other ports.
- When PC A sends a packet to PC D in the above topology, the device, being hub in this case would broadcast the packet to PCs B, C and D
- Star topology inside
- Cable break for any spoke doesn't affect it.
- Easy to extend further distances easily by just adding another hub, thereby overcoming the distance limits of various cables.
- A collision in any point would send a jamming signal to everyone.
- Very low bandwidth due to shared logical bus topology in practical applications.
- All ports are in single collision domain and single broadcast domain.

Bridge:

- Datalink Layer Device
- Maintains a MAC address table.
- CAM Table: Content Addressable Memory – another term used for MAC address table in switching (not bridging)
- Star Topology
- Processing mostly done in software and hence is slow in nature.
- When PC A sends a packet to PC D in the above topology, the device, being bridge in this case, creates an entry for PC A in its MAC table and since it doesn't know the MAC address of PC D, it broadcasts the received frame to all ports except PC A to create an entry for PC D. Since it is not destined to PC B and PC C, they are supposed to drop the packet. When D replies to this frame, the bridge doesn't broadcast anything, it forwards the packet only to PC A.
- Each port of the bridge is in a different collision domain.
- All ports in a single Broadcast Domain.

Switch:

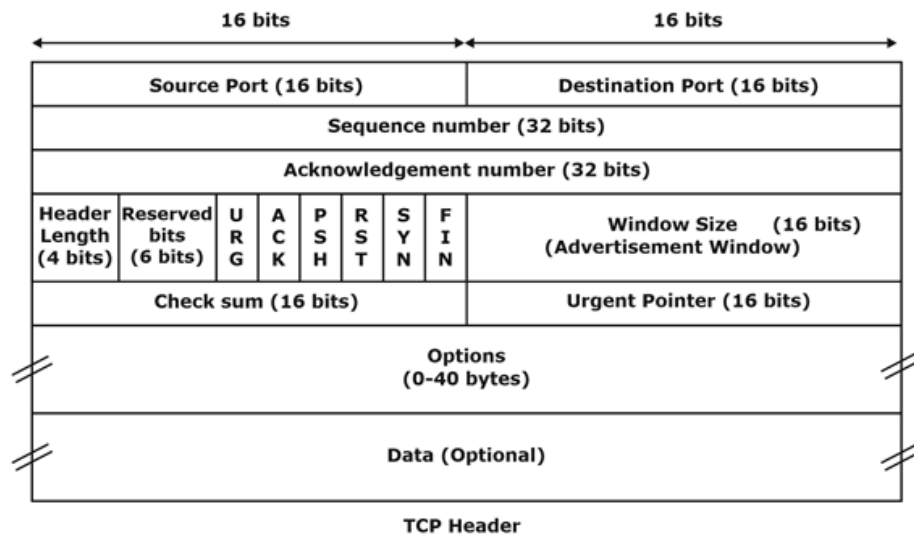
- Datalink Layer Device.
- Processing is don't Hardware, namely ASICs and hence is faster.
- No degradation performance between two devices. Wire speed in switching frames.
- Support many ports compared bridges.
- Maintains a MAC Address Table.
- Star Topology
- When PC A sends a packet to PC C in the above topology and the frame arrives at the device, being switch in this case, the switch broadcasts the received frame to all ports except PC A to create an entry for PC C. When C replies to this frame, the switch forwards subsequent frames between A and C only between them.
- Each port of the bridge is in a different collision domain.
- All ports in a single Broadcast Domain.
- Broadcast addresses are not written into the MAC table.
- Layer 3 Switches available now.

Routers:

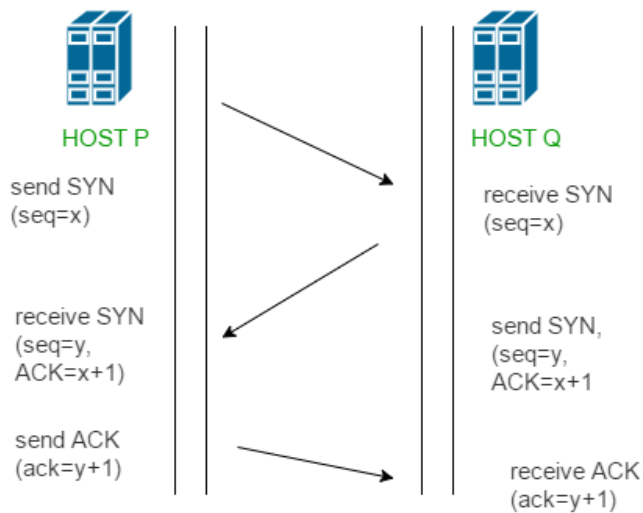
- Network Layer Device.
- They make routing decisions based on IP address.
- Router may have:
 - Serial interfaces – uses PPP and HDLC for encapsulation.
 - Ethernet interfaces – uses MAC address and Ethernet II for encapsulation.
- Routers populate routing table with IP addresses.
- They use subnet masks to determine which interface the packet to be forwarded to.
- PCs look for MAC address for destination IP in their ARP cache, if not available, they send the packet to their default gateway, Router.
- Router then performs an AND operation on the IP address with subnet mask, and if the network ID is known in routing table, it forwards to the respective interface.
- **MAC addresses change from hop to hop and not IP addresses in a packet flow unless a NAT is used.**

Layer 4

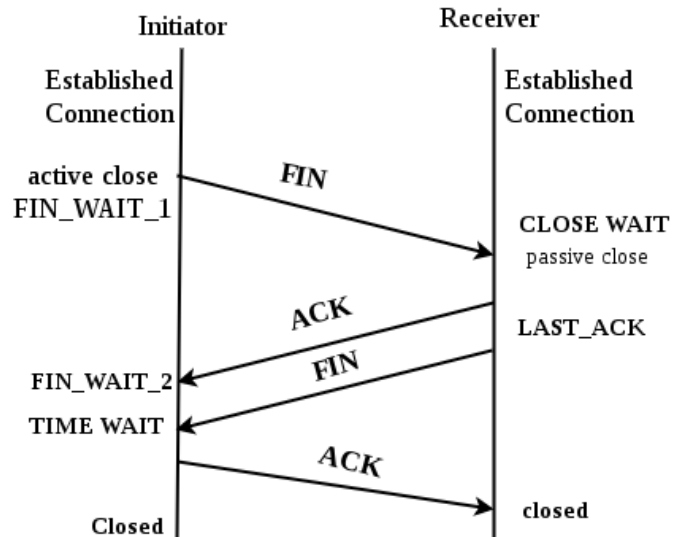
Transmission Control Protocol [TCP]:



3-Way Handshake | Connection Establishment



4-Way Handshake | Connection Termination



Features/Functions:

- Segment Numbering System:
 - Byte numbers assigned to data bytes.
 - Sequence numbers assigned to Segments.
 - Acknowledgement numbers assigned to received segments.
- Connection Oriented: Order of data is maintained.
- Full Duplex
- Flow Control:
 - Limits the rate at which data transfers.
 - Sliding Window: How much data can be transferred in next segment?
- Error Control: Detects
 - Corrupted segments
 - Lost Segments
 - Out of Order segments
 - Duplicate Segments
- Congestion Control:
 - Amount of data sent by sender is varying.
- Fast Recovery: When there is packet loss:

- Reduce Control Window Size by 50%
- Reduce Session threshold by 50% of control window.
- Retransmit lost packet.
- Half window of silence
- Maintain inflight = cwnd until new ACK arrives at sender
- Improvisation Techniques: Due to half window of silence there's underutilization of network resources.
 - Improve inflight data by using SACK (Selective Acknowledgement – Knowledge of gaps in receive buffer).
 - Rate halving technique.
 - Proportional rate reduction.

TCP Timers:

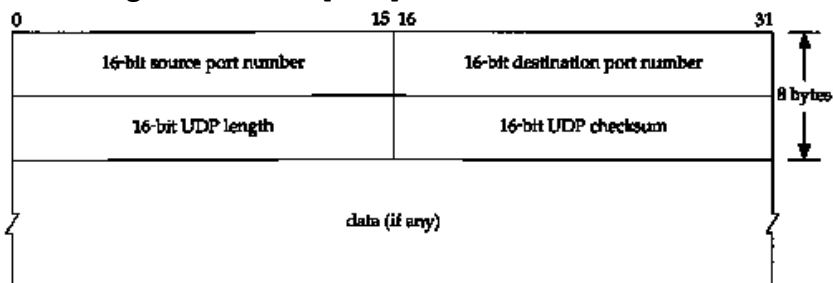
- Round Trip Time (RTT): Time required for segment to reach destination and be acknowledged.
- Retransmission Time Out (RTO): Starts when segment is sent and stops when ACK is received. If it crosses RTT, segment retransmitted.
- Persistent Timer: To deal with zero-window-size deadlock situation, this timer is set to probe a segment with only 1 byte of data and sent to cause resend from server.
- Keep Alive Timer: To prevent long idle connection between two TCP nodes. Usually, its 2 hrs and then, 10 probes of 75 sec intervals are sent.
- Time Wait Timer: Used during connection termination. Refer 4-way handshake.

Maximum Segment Size: 1460B

Maximum Datagram Size: 1480B

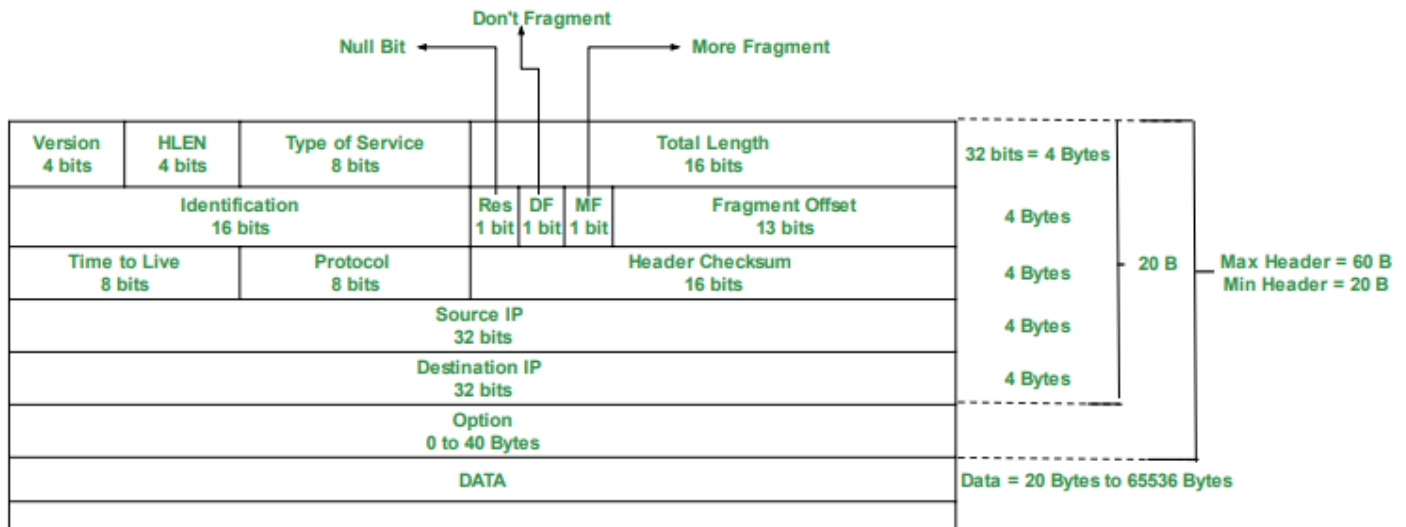
Maximum Transaction Unit: 1500B

User Datagram Protocol [UDP]:



Layer 3

Internet Protocol [IP]:



Features/Functions:

- IP Addressing
- Data Encapsulation and Packaging
- Fragmentation & Reassembly
- Routing and Indirect Delivery
- Multicasting
- Protocols: IPNAT, IPSec, MobileIP, IPv4, IPv6

ToS Field Bits:

- Precedence: 3 Bits
- Delay: 1 bit
- Throughput: 1 bit
- Reliability: 1 bit
- Reserved: 2 bits

Options:

- Option Type: 8 bits
- Option Length: 8 bits
- Option Data: 16 bits

Fragmentation:

- Sequencing & placement: Receiving device is responsible for reassembly.
- Separation of Fragmented messages: From different connection transfers
- Completion: Reassembly offset values updated

Internet Control Message Protocol [ICMP]:

- Protocol to communicate problems with data transmission.
- RFC 792
- Connectionless protocol: One devices does not need to open a connection with another before transmission.
- ICMP flood attack: Attacker overwhelming a target device with ICMP echo-request packets
- Smurf Attack: Attacker sends an ICMP packet with spoofed source IP address.
- Traceroute: Utility to know the route between two devices.
- Packet Header:

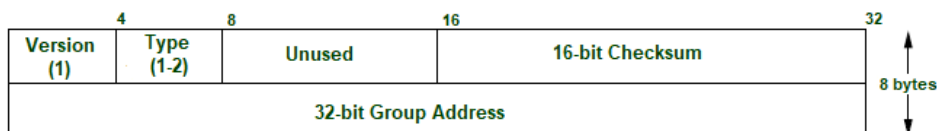
Type(8 bit)	Code(8 bit)	Checksum(16 bit)
Extended Header(32 bit)		
Data/Payload(Variable Length)		

- Type: Message type:
 - Type 0: Echo Reply
 - Type 3: Destination unreachable
 - Type 5: Redirect Message
 - Type 8: Echo Request
 - Type 11: Time Exceeded
 - Type 12: Parameter Problem
- Code: Carries additional info about error message and type
- Checksum: Used to check no of bits of complete message and enable ICMP tool to ensure the complete data is delivered.
- Extended Header: Indicates problem in IP message. Byte locations are identified by the pointer which causes the problem message and receiving devices looks here for any problem.
- Data/Payload: 576 Bytes in IPv4 and 1280 Bytes in IPv6

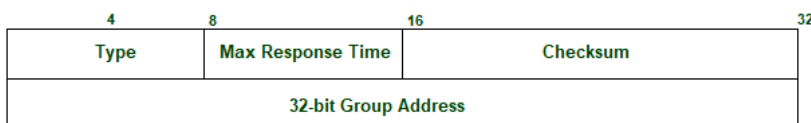
Internet Group Management Protocol [IGMP]:

- Used by nodes for multicasting communication with IP networks.
- Applications: Streaming Videos, Web conferencing tools, screen share.
- Working: Enables hosts to send messages to routers to join or leave specific multicast groups. Routers use this information to forward multicast traffic.
- Packet Header:

IGMPv1 Packet Format



IGMPv2 Packet Format



IGMPv3 Packet Format

Bit Offset	0-3	4	5-7	8-15	16-31
0	Type = 0x11			Max Response Code	Checksum
32	Group Address				
64	Resv	S	QRV	QQIC	Number of Sources (N)
96	Source Address[1]				
128	Source Address[2]				
	Source Address[N]				

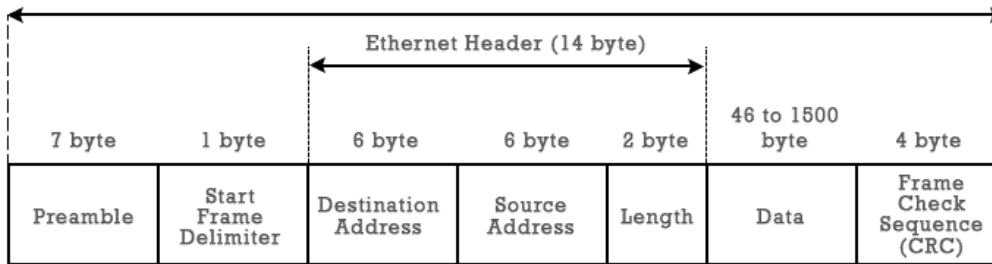
- Type:
 - 0x11: Membership Query
 - 0x12: IGMPv1 Membership Report
 - 0x16: IGMPv2 Membership Report

- 0x22: IGMPv3 Membership Report
- 0x17: Leave Group
- Max Response Time: Max time allowed before sending a response report.
- Group Address: Set as 0 when sending a general query, else multicast address of group.
- Resv: Set 0 for sent and ignored when received.
- S flag: Suppress router side processing.
- QRV: Querier's Robustness Variable
- QQIC: Querier's Query Interval Code

Network Address Translation [NAT]:

- NAT is used to allow multiple devices to access internet through single public address.
- Static NAT: Single Private IP address is mapped to Public IP address, generally for web hosting.
- Dynamic NAT: Any no of Private IP addresses are translated into next available IP from a pool of Public IP addresses.
- Port Address Translation (PAT): Also known as NAT overload. Used to translate port numbers in case of non-standard port usage.

Layer 2 Header [Ethernet]

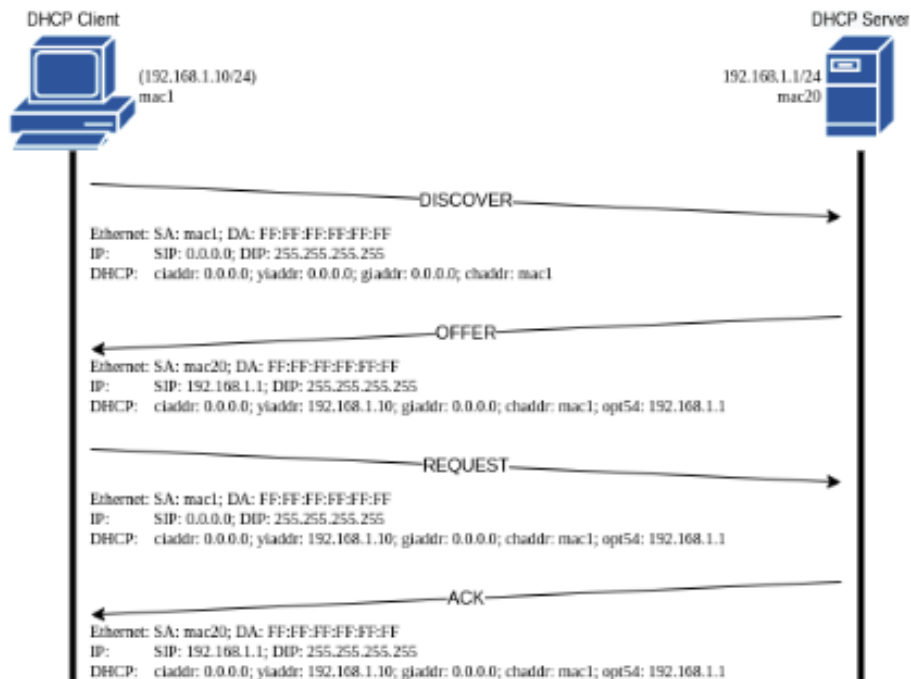


- Preamble: Pattern of alternative 0s and 1s to indicate starting of the frame and allow sender and receiver to establish bit synchronization.
- Start Frame Delimiter (SFD): 1 Byte field that is always set to 10101011 to indicate that the upcoming bits are starting of the frame which destination address.
- Destination Address: Destination MAC Address
- Source Address: Source MAC Address
- Length: Indicates length of the entire ethernet frame
- Data: Actual data/payload
- CRC: Contains 32-bit hash code generated from destination address, source address, length and data fields. If checksum computed by destination is not same as sent checksum value, data received is corrupted.
- Ether Type Field: To identify protocol carried in payload. IP: 0x0800 ARP: 0x0806
- VLAN Tagging: 4-byte field inserted after source address and before ether type field to logically separate physical networks.
- Jumbo Frames: To increase n/w throughput by reducing the overhead associated with transmitting many small frames.
- Multicast and Broadcast Frames

Layer 7

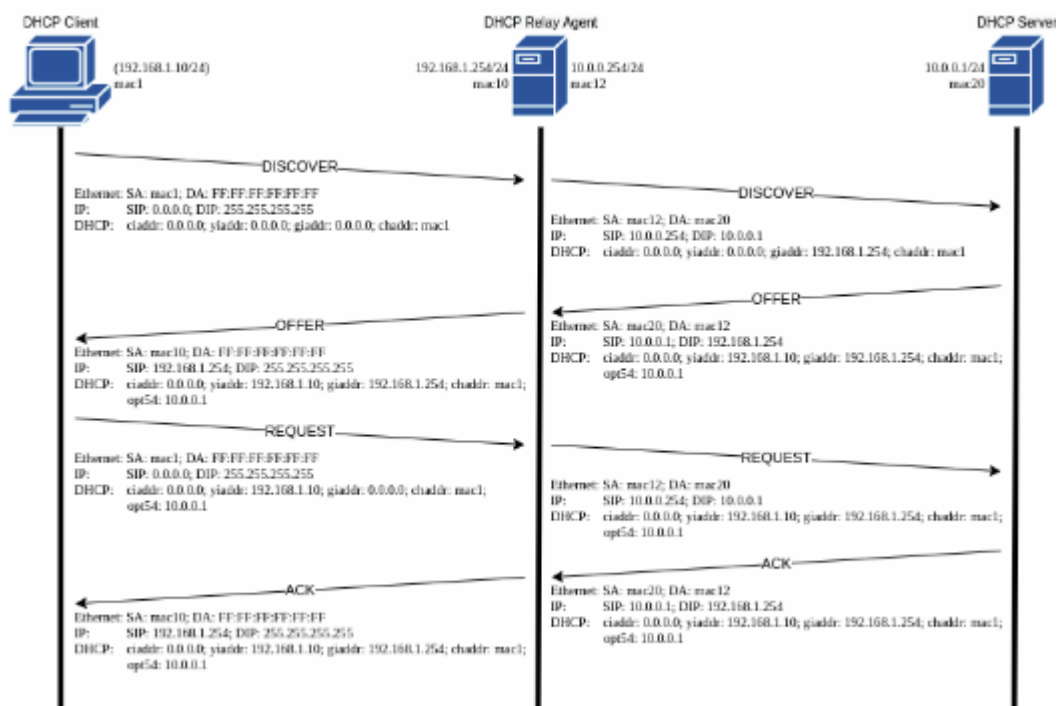
Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol:

- Used to manage IP address allocation in a network.



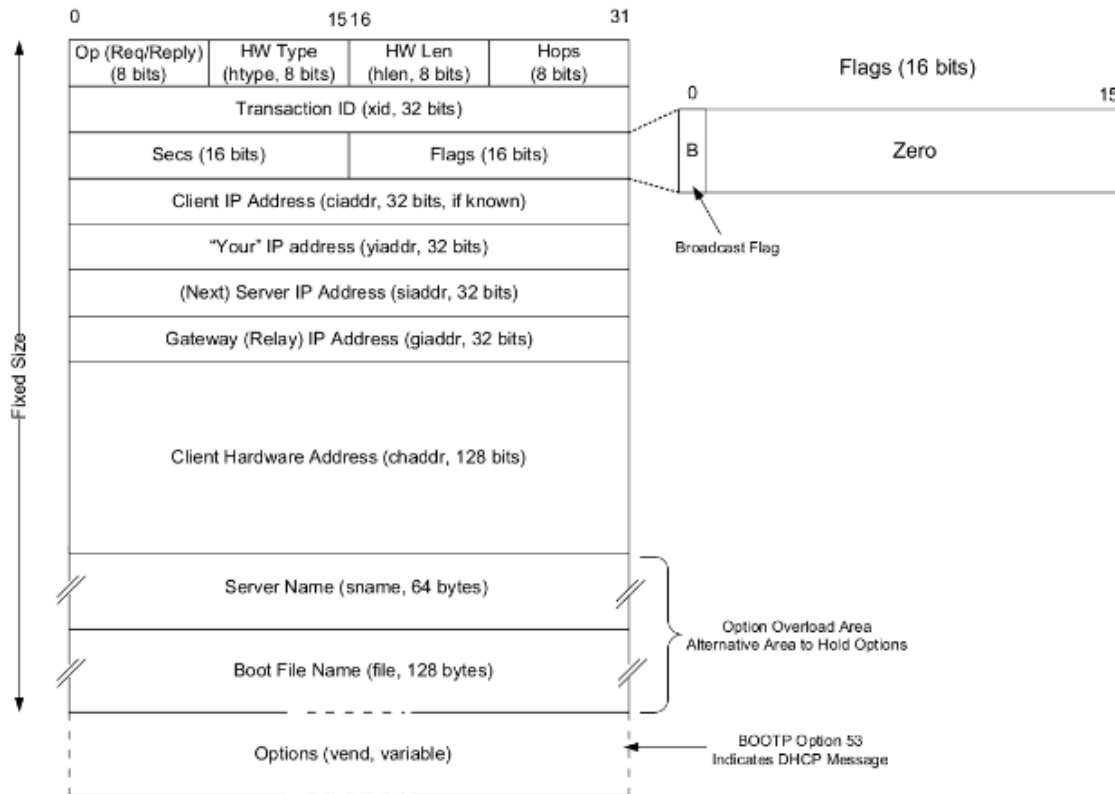
- DISCOVER:** The client sends a DISCOVER in broadcast to all servers in the subnet.
- OFFER:** Every server in the subnet sends an OFFER with the offered configuration to the client.
- REQUEST:** The client selects one of the offered configurations and then sends a REQUEST. Broadcast is sent so that all servers receive the message, even to those that do not offer the accepted configuration. This allows servers to flush this offer from memory.
- ACK:** The server that receives the REQUEST checks if that configuration belongs to it. And if it is so, send an ACK message to confirm the lease.

With Relay Agent:



- DISCOVER:** The client sends a DISCOVER in broadcast. The relay agent receives the message and forwards it to the server, which is in a different subnet, in unicast.

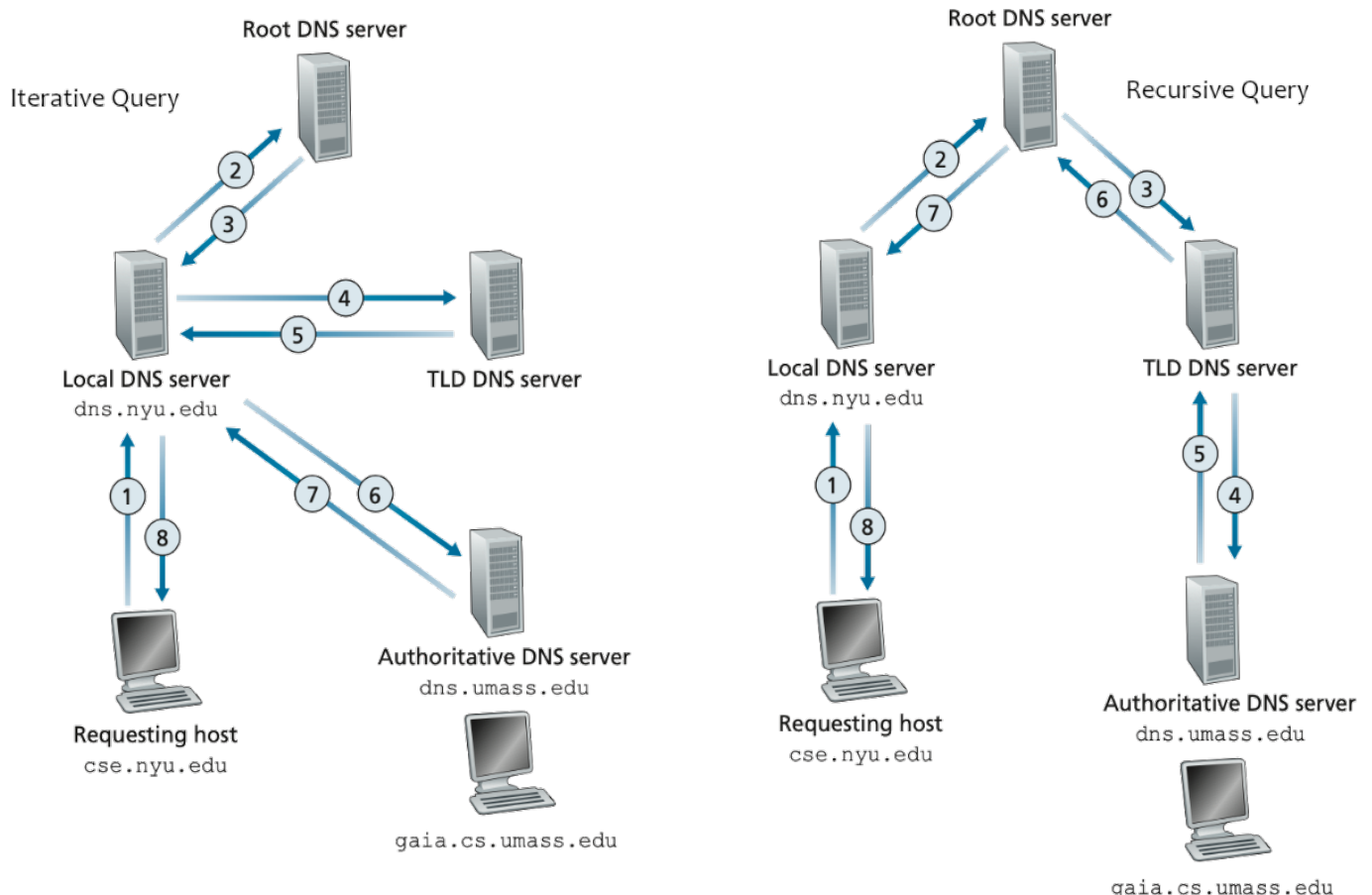
- OFFER: The server sends an OFFER in unicast to the address. The relay agent receives the message and forwards it to the client in broadcast.
- REQUEST: The client selects one of the offered configurations and then sends a REQUEST in broadcast. The relay agent receives the message and forwards it to the server, which is in a different subnet, in unicast.
- ACK: The server that receives the REQUEST checks if that configuration belongs to it. And if it is so, send an ACK in unicast to the address. The relay agent receives the message and forwards it to the client in broadcast.
- DHCP Header:

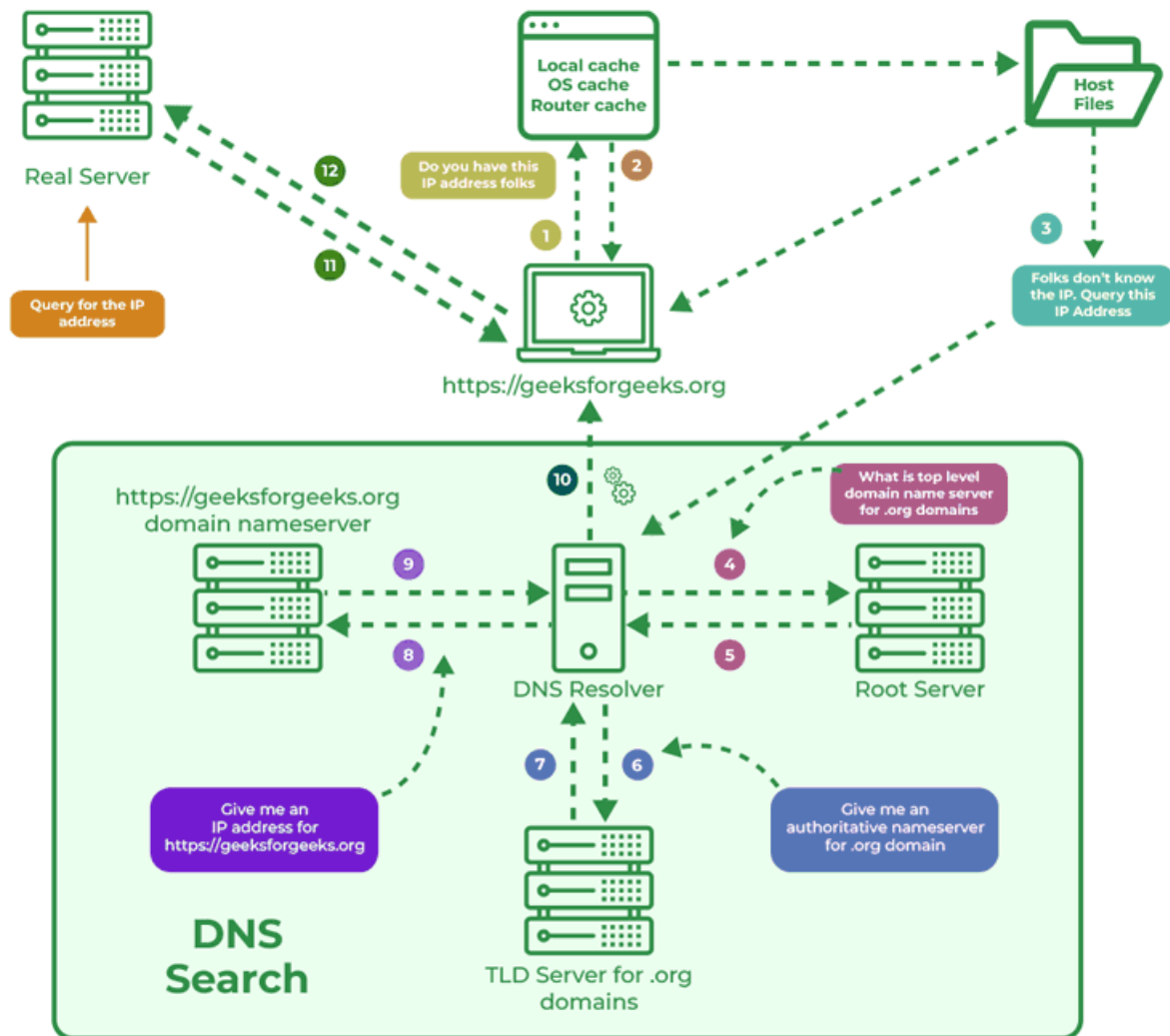


- Other DHCP Messages:
 - DHCP NACK: Negative Acknowledgement. Whenever a DHCP server receives a request for an IP address that is invalid according to the scopes that are configured, it sends a DHCP NACK message to the client.
 - DHCP Decline: If the DHCP client determines the offered configuration parameters are different or invalid, it sends a DHCP decline message to the server. When there is a reply to the gratuitous ARP by any host to the client, the client sends a DHCP decline message to the server showing the offered IP address is already in use.
 - DHCP Release: A DHCP client sends a DHCP release packet to the server to release the IP address and cancel any remaining lease time.
- Common DHCP Options:
 - DHCP option 1: subnet mask to be applied on the interface asking for an IP address.
 - DHCP option 3: default router or last resort gateway for this interface
 - DHCP option 6: which DNS to include in the IP configuration for name resolution.
 - DHCP option 51: lease time for this IP address
 - DHCP option 2: time offset in seconds from UTC to be applied on the current time.
 - DHCP option 4: list of time server
 - DHCP option 12: host name of the client, very useful for IoT and any device without user
 - DHCP option 121: classless static route table composed of multiple network and subnet mask.

Domain Name System [DNS]: DNS is a protocol that is used to convert easily readable names for communicating over the network, instead of remembering IP Address.

- DNS Record: Instructions that live in authoritative DNS servers and provide info about domain including IP address, how to handle requests to that domain.
- UDP 53
- DNS Lookup:
 - Local DNS Resolver/Cache
 - Root DNS server
 - Top-Level Domain Server (TLD)
 - Authoritative DNS Server/Recursive DNS Server
 - Web Server
- Types of Queries:
 - Recursive Query: In this query, if the resolver is unable to find the record, in that case, DNS client wants the DNS Server will respond to the client in any way like with the requested source record or an error message.
 - Iterative Query: Iterative Query is the query in which DNS Client wants the best answer possible from the DNS Server.
 - Non-Recursive Query: Non-Recursive Query is the query that occurs when a DNS Resolver queries a DNS Server for some record that has access to it because of the record that exists in its cache.

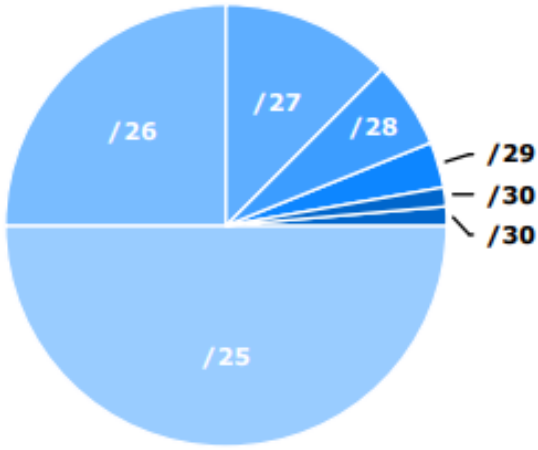




- Level3 DNS: Third-Party DNS Server that is free and open.
- DNS Rebinding: In this attack, a malicious web page causes visitors to run a client-side script that attacks machines elsewhere on the network. DNS rebinding establishes communication between the attacker's server and a web application on an internal network through a browser.
- DNS Spoofing/DNS Cache Poisoning: An attacker will drive the traffic away from real DNS servers and redirect them to a "pirate" server, unbeknownst to the users. This may cause the corruption/theft of a user's personal data.

IPv4 SUBNETTING

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Subnets				Decimal to Binary			
CIDR	Subnet Mask	Addresses	Wildcard	Subnet Mask		Wildcard	
/32	255.255.255.255	1	0.0.0.0	255	1111 1111	0	0000 0000
/31	255.255.255.254	2	0.0.0.1	254	1111 1110	1	0000 0001
/30	255.255.255.252	4	0.0.0.3	252	1111 1100	3	0000 0011
/29	255.255.255.248	8	0.0.0.7	248	1111 1000	7	0000 0111
/28	255.255.255.240	16	0.0.0.15	240	1111 0000	15	0000 1111
/27	255.255.255.224	32	0.0.0.31	224	1110 0000	31	0001 1111
/26	255.255.255.192	64	0.0.0.63	192	1100 0000	63	0011 1111
/25	255.255.255.128	128	0.0.0.127	128	1000 0000	127	0111 1111
/24	255.255.255.0	256	0.0.0.255	0	0000 0000	255	1111 1111
Subnet Proportion							
							
Classful Ranges							
A 0.0.0.0 – 127.255.255.255 B 128.0.0.0 - 191.255.255.255 C 192.0.0.0 - 223.255.255.255 D 224.0.0.0 - 239.255.255.255 E 240.0.0.0 - 255.255.255.255							
Reserved Ranges							
RFC 1918 10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255 Localhost 127.0.0.0 - 127.255.255.255 RFC 1918 172.16.0.0 - 172.31.255.255 RFC 1918 192.168.0.0 - 192.168.255.255							

Terminology

CIDR

Classless interdomain routing was developed to provide more granularity than legacy classful addressing; CIDR notation is expressed as /XX

VLSM

Variable-length subnet masks are an arbitrary length between 0 and 32 bits; CIDR relies on VLSMs to define routes

TCP AND UDP PORT NUMBERS

ECHO	7/TCP		
ECHO	7/UDP		
FTP-DATA	20/TCP		#FTP, DATA
FTP	21/TCP		#FTP, CONTROL
SSH	22/TCP		#SSH REMOTE LOGIN
TELNET	23/TCP		
SMTP	25/TCP	MAIL	
TIME	37/TCP	TIMSERVER	
TIME	37/UDP	TIMSERVER	
RLP	39/UDP	RESOURCE	#RESOURCE LOCATION
NAMESERVER	42/TCP	NAME	#HOST NAME SERVER
NAMESERVER	42/UDP	NAME	#HOST NAME SERVER
NICNAME	43/TCP	WHOIS	
DNS	53/TCP		#DOMAIN NAME SERVER
DNS	53/UDP		#DOMAIN NAME SERVER
BOOTPS	67/UDP	DHCPS	#BOOTSTRAP PROTOCOL
BOOTPC	68/UDP	DHCP	#BOOTSTRAP PROTOCOL
TFTP	69/UDP		#TRIVIAL FILE TRANSFER
HTTP	80/TCP	WWW WWW-HTTP	#WORLD WIDE WEB
KERBEROS	88/TCP	KRB5 KERBEROS-SEC	#KERBEROS
KERBEROS	88/UDP	KRB5 KERBEROS-SEC	#KERBEROS
RTELNET	107/TCP		#REMOTE TELNET SERVICE
POP2	109/TCP	POSTOFFICE	#POST OFFICE PROTOCOL
POP3	110/TCP		#POST OFFICE PROTOCOL
SQLSERV	118/TCP		#SQL SERVICES
NTP	123/UDP		#NETWORK TIME PROTOCOL
NETBIOS-NS	137/TCP	NBNAME	#NETBIOS NAME SERVICE
NETBIOS-NS	137/UDP	NBNAME	#NETBIOS NAME SERVICE
IMAP	143/TCP	IMAP4	#INTERNET MESSAGE ACCESS PROTOCOL
SQL-NET	150/TCP		
SQLSRV	156/TCP		
SNMP	161/UDP		#SNMP
SNMPTRAP	162/UDP	SNMP-TRAP	#SNMP TRAP
BGP	179/TCP		
IRC	194/TCP		#INTERNET RELAY CHAT
MFTP	349/TCP		
MFTP	349/UDP		
LDAP	389/TCP		
HTTPS	443/TCP	MCOM	#HTTP OVER TLS/SSL
HTTPS	443/UDP	MCOM	#HTTP OVER TLS/SSL
ISAKMP	500/UDP	IKE	#INTERNET KEY EXCHANGE
CMD	514/TCP	SHELL	
SYSLOG	514/UDP		
ROUTER	520/UDP	ROUTE ROUTED	
TIMED	525/UDP	TIMESERVER	
DHCPV6-CLIENT	546/TCP		#DHCPV6 CLIENT
DHCPV6-CLIENT	546/UDP		#DHCPV6 CLIENT
DHCPV6-SERVER	547/TCP		#DHCPV6 SERVER
DHCPV6-SERVER	547/UDP		#DHCPV6 SERVER
LDAPS	636/TCP	SLDAP	#LDAP OVER TLS/SSL
MSEXCH-ROUTING	691/TCP		#MS EXCHANGE ROUTING
MSEXCH-ROUTING	691/UDP		#MS EXCHANGE ROUTING
FTPS-DATA	989/TCP		#FTP DATA, OVER TLS/SSL
FTPS	990/TCP		#FTP CTRL OVER TLS/SSL
TELNETS	992/TCP		#TELNET OVER TLS/SSL
WINS	1512/TCP		#WINDOWS NAME SERVICE
WINS	1512/UDP		#WINDOWS NAME SERVICE
L2TP	1701/UDP		
H.323	1718/TCP		#H.323 RAS (MULTICAST)
H.323	1719/TCP		#H.323 RAS (UNICAST)
H.323	1720/TCP		#H.323 CALL SIGNALLING
PPTP	1723/TCP		#POINT-TO-POINT

RADIUS	1812/UDP	TUNNELING PROTOCOL
SSO	2258/UDP	#RADIUS AUTHENTICATION
RDP	3389/TCP	#SINGLE SIGN OUT
MSFW-CONTROL	3847/TCP	#REMOTE DESKTOP PROTOCOL
SDP-PORTMAPPER	3935/TCP	#MICROSOFT FIREWALL
SDP-PORTMAPPER	3935/UDP	#SDP PORT MAPPER PROTOCOL
IPSEC	4500/TCP	#SDP PORT MAPPER PROTOCOL
IPSEC	4500/UDP	#MICROSOFT IPSEC NAT-T
SIP	5060/UDP	#MICROSOFT IPSEC NAT-T
SIP	5061/UDP	#NON-ENCRYPTED TRAFFIC
MS-LICENSING	5720/TCP	#SIP OVER TLS
MS-LICENSING	5720/UDP	#MICROSOFT LICENSING
MAN	9535/TCP	#MICROSOFT LICENSING
		#REMOTE MAN SERVER

IP PORT NUMBERS

IP	0	IP	# INTERNET PROTOCOL
ICMP	1	ICMP	# INTERNET CONTROL MESSAGE PROTOCOL
GGP	3	GGP	# GATEWAY-GATEWAY PROTOCOL
TCP	6	TCP	# TRANSMISSION CONTROL PROTOCOL
EGP	8	EGP	# EXTERIOR GATEWAY PROTOCOL
PUP	12	PUP	# PARC UNIVERSAL PACKET PROTOCOL
UDP	17	UDP	# USER DATAGRAM PROTOCOL
HMP	20	HMP	# HOST MONITORING PROTOCOL
XNS-IDP	22	XNS-IDP	# XEROX NS IDP
RDP	27	RDP	# "RELIABLE DATAGRAM" PROTOCOL
IPV6	41	IPV6	# INTERNET PROTOCOL IPV6
IPV6-ROUTE	43	IPV6-ROUTE	# ROUTING HEADER FOR IPV6
IPV6-FRAG	44	IPV6-FRAG	# FRAGMENT HEADER FOR IPV6
ESP	50	ESP	# ENCAPSULATING SECURITY PAYLOAD
AH	51	AH	# AUTHENTICATION HEADER
IPV6-ICMP	58	IPV6-ICMP	# ICMP FOR IPV6
IPV6-NONXT	59	IPV6-NONXT	# NO NEXT HEADER FOR IPV6
IPV6-OPTS	60	IPV6-OPTS	# DESTINATION OPTIONS FOR IPV6

Cisco Common CLI Reference

<code>enable</code>	Switch to enable mode from user mode
<code>configure terminal</code>	Switch to configure terminal mode from enable mode
<code>disable</code>	To go back to user mode
<code>erase startup-config</code>	Delete existing startup-config
<code>show version</code>	To see the version of the firmware installed
<code>hostname</code>	To change the hostname of the device
<code>copy run start</code>	Saving configuration to NVRAM
<code>wr</code>	Same function as copy run start
<code>show ip int br</code>	See interfaces on the router
<code>show cdp neighbors</code>	To view the neighbors connected
<code>debug ip packet</code>	To trace all packets
<code>un all</code>	Disable all debugging
<code>ip dhcp pool <name></code> <code>> network <cidr></code> <code>> default-router <GW></code> <code>> network <cidr></code> <code>> dns-server <8.8.8.8></code>	To create a new dhcp pool, its network and other parameters in it
<code>ip dhcp excluded <ipaddr></code>	To exclude an ip address being assigned