
Glue Protocols

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Lecture 11

Some slides adapted from Kurose and Ross

Topics for Today

- TCP and Threads
- Glue Protocols

Source:

- ARP: PD 3.2.6
- DHCP: PD 3.2.7

TCP and Threads

- We'll write the Sentence Server tool in class.

ARP - Address Resolution Protocol

Problem

- Need mapping between IP and link layer addresses.
- 10.0.10.10 → ab:cd:ef:12:34:56

Solution

- **ARP**
- Every host maintains IP–Link layer mapping table (cache)
- Timeout associated with cached info (15 min.)

Imagine a mail room



ARP - Address Resolution Protocol

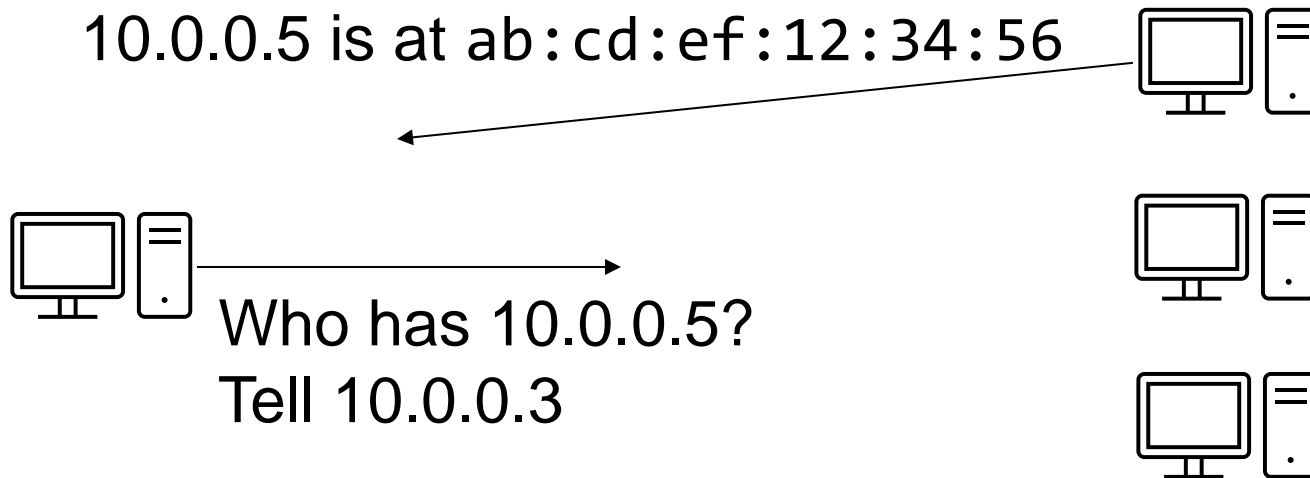
Sender

- Broadcasts “Who is IP address X?”
- Broadcast message includes sender’s IP & Link Layer address



Receivers

- Any host with sender in cache “refreshes” time-out
- Host with IP address X replies “IP X is Link Layer Y”
- Target host adds sender (if not already in cache)



ARP Sample Trace

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
12896	272.707828000	QuantaCo_	Broadcast	ARP	60	who has 10.0.0.5? Tell 0.0.0.0
12916	273.706199000	QuantaCo_	Broadcast	ARP	60	Gratuitous ARP for 10.0.0.5 (Request)
12956	277.144084000	QuantaCo_	Broadcast	ARP	60	who has 10.0.0.3? Tell 10.0.0.5
12958	277.144101000	Dell_	QuantaCo_	ARP	42	10.0.0.3 is at 44:

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Frame 12956: 60 bytes on wire (480 bits), 60 bytes captured (480 bits) on interface 0

Ethernet II, Src: QuantaCo_ (60:), Dst: Broadcast (ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff)

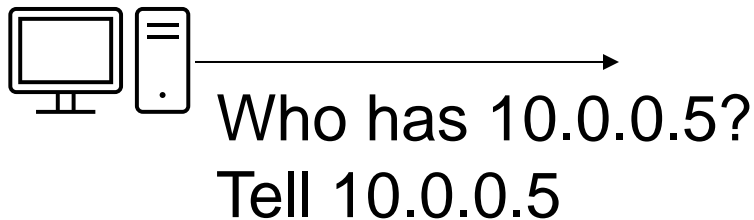
Address Resolution Protocol (request)

Hardware type: Ethernet (1)
Protocol type: IP (0x0800)
Hardware size: 6
Protocol size: 4
Opcode: request (1)
Sender MAC address: QuantaCo_ (60:)
Sender IP address: 10.0.0.5 (10.0.0.5)
Target MAC address: 00:00:00_00:00:00 (00:00:00:00:00:00)
Target IP address: 10.0.0.3 (10.0.0.3)

ARP - Address Resolution Protocol

- **Gratuitous** ARP: Check if someone else has your IP address

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> Frame 2213: 90 bytes on wire (720 bits), 90 bytes captured (720 bits)
> Radiotap Header v0, Length 24
> 802.11 radio information
> IEEE 802.11 QoS Data, Flags: .....TC
> Logical-Link Control
▼ Address Resolution Protocol (ARP Announcement)
  Hardware type: Ethernet (1)
  Protocol type: IPv4 (0x0800)
  Hardware size: 6
  Protocol size: 4
  Opcode: request (1)
  [Is gratuitous: True]
  [Is announcement: True]
  Sender MAC address: Intel_d1:b6:4f (00:13:02:d1:b6:4f)
  Sender IP address: 192.168.1.109
  Target MAC address: 00:00:00_00:00:00 (00:00:00:00:00:00)
  Target IP address: 192.168.1.109
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ARP - Address Resolution Protocol



- **Gratuitous** ARP: Check if someone else has your IP address
- Why?

Tell everyone your
MAC address



Detect computers
with identical IP
addresses

- If there's an answer,
there's a problem



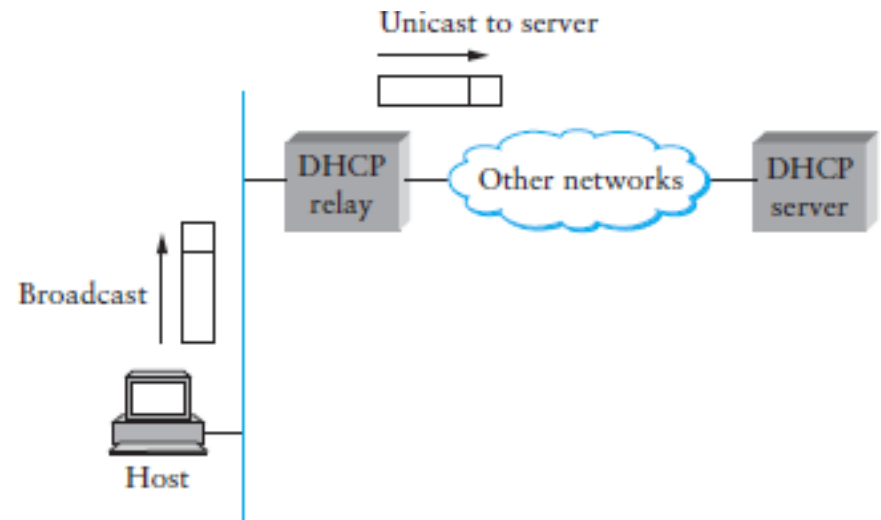
Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)

Goal: Enable computers to get IP addresses dynamically

- For a limited time

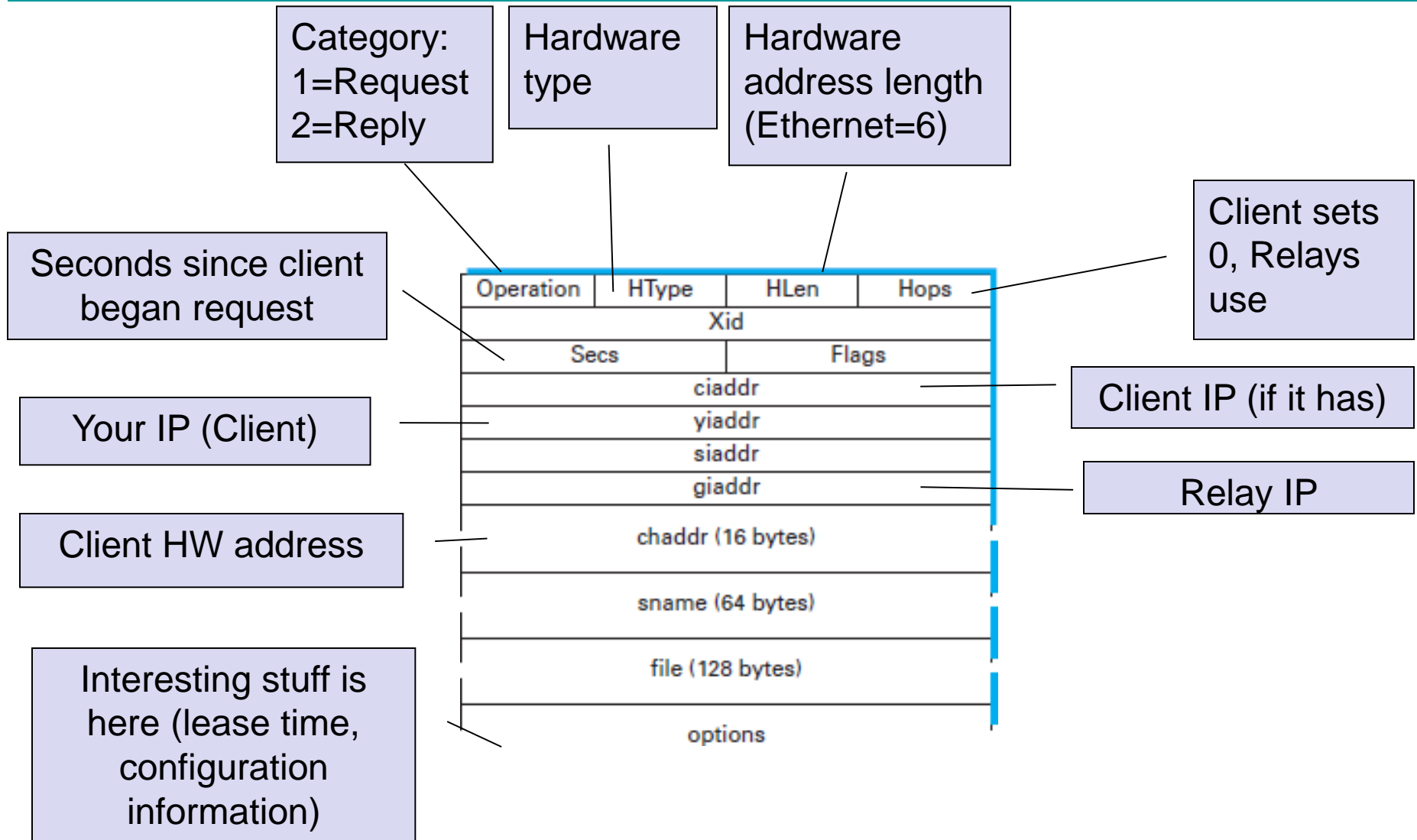
Steps:

1. Client broadcasts **DHCP Discover** message
2. Servers **respond** **DHCP Offer** messages
3. Client sends one **DHCP Request** (chooses)
4. Chosen DHCP server sends **DHCP ACK**
5. Work.
6. Client sends **DHCP Release**
7. Server forgets client



To request an old address, skip 1-2

DHCP Fields



DHCP Sample Trace

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
3	4.357459000	10.0.0.12	10.0.0.138	DHCP	342	DHCP Release - Transaction ID 0xb61cd97f
4	7.490334000	0.0.0.0	255.255.255.255	DHCP	342	DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x7983fd04
5	7.506559000	10.0.0.138	10.0.0.12	DHCP	316	DHCP Offer - Transaction ID 0x7983fd04
6	7.506973000	0.0.0.0	255.255.255.255	DHCP	344	DHCP Request - Transaction ID 0x7983fd04
7	7.532959000	10.0.0.138	10.0.0.12	DHCP	316	DHCP ACK - Transaction ID 0x7983fd04

⊞ User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 67 (67), Dst Port: 68 (68)

⊞ Bootstrap Protocol (Offer)

Message type: Boot Reply (2)
Hardware type: Ethernet (0x01)
Hardware address length: 6
Hops: 0
Transaction ID: 0x7983fd04
Seconds elapsed: 0

⊞ Bootp flags: 0x0000 (Unicast)
Client IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0)
Your (client) IP address: 10.0.0.12 (10.0.0.12)
Next server IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0)
Relay agent IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0)
Client MAC address: Dell_ (44:)
Client hardware address padding: 00000000000000000000
Server host name not given
Boot file name not given
Magic cookie: DHCP

⊞ Option: (53) DHCP Message Type (Offer)
⊞ Option: (54) DHCP Server Identifier
⊞ Option: (51) IP Address Lease Time
Length: 4
IP Address Lease Time: (3600s) 1 hour
⊞ Option: (1) Subnet Mask
Length: 4
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0 (255.255.255.0)
⊞ Option: (3) Router
Length: 4
Router: 10.0.0.138 (10.0.0.138)
⊞ Option: (6) Domain Name Server
Length: 4
Domain Name Server: 10.0.0.138 (10.0.0.138)
⊞ Option: (255) End

Conclusion

- Glue Protocols