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# SUBNETTING CHART TOOLS FOR QUICK REFERENCE

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CIDR is the number of network bits used. 255.255.255.192 = 11111111.11111111.11111111.11000000 = /26 network bits, 32-26 = 6 host bits  
Many teachers and some exams require you know the long way to do things- longhand calculation of usable hosts per subnet=  $2^H-2$  (H= host bits)  
Usable subnets=  $2^N$  with N for network. If you know how to draw the number line of binary with bits up high enough, it's clear every bit after 4096 is just as before going to double the previous bit's number. It's easier to draw what you need like done in this sheet.  
Block Sizes: Subtract subnet mask from 256 to get the bit position or "magic number." Mask of 192 (256-192=64) gives the network numbers of 0, 64, 128, and 192. So 255.255.255.192 has a /26 CIDR. Since 32-26= 6 host bits, we get  $2^6-2=62$  usable hosts per subnet.  
Remembering mask numbers: Add bit value to it's bigger neighbor's mask like this: 128+64=192, 192+32=224, 224+16=240, etc.

| Bit Value/ Position             | 128            | 64             | 32             | 16             | 8              | 4              | 2              | 1              |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Power of Two for octet bit      | 2 <sup>7</sup> | 2 <sup>6</sup> | 2 <sup>5</sup> | 2 <sup>4</sup> | 2 <sup>3</sup> | 2 <sup>2</sup> | 2 <sup>1</sup> | 2 <sup>0</sup> |
| Subnet Mask for Bit Position    | 128            | 192            | 224            | 240            | 248            | 252            | 254            | 255            |
| <b>Class C CIDR</b>             | /25            | /26            | /27            | /28            | /29            | /30            | /31            | /32            |
| Subnets                         | 2              | 4              | 8              | 16             | 32             | 64             | 128            | n/a            |
| Hosts per Subnet (subtract 2)   | 128            | 64             | 32             | 16             | 8              | 4              | 2*             | n/a            |
| <b>Class B CIDR (3rd Octet)</b> | /17            | /18            | /19            | /20            | /21            | /22            | /23            | /24            |
| Subnets                         | 2              | 4              | 8              | 16             | 32             | 64             | 128            | 256            |
| Hosts per Subnet (subtract 2)   | 32,768         | 16,384         | 8,192          | 4,096          | 2,048          | 1,024          | 512            | 256            |
| <b>Class B CIDR (4th Octet)</b> | /25            | /26            | /27            | /28            | /29            | /30            |                |                |
| Subnets                         | 512            | 1,024          | 2,048          | 4,096          | 8,192          | 16,384         |                |                |
| Hosts per Subnet (subtract 2)   | 128            | 64             | 32             | 16             | 8              | 4              |                |                |
| <b>Class A CIDR (2nd Octet)</b> | /9             | /10            | /11            | /12            | /13            | /14            | /15            |                |
| Subnets                         | 2              | 4              | 8              | 16             | 32             | 64             | 128            |                |
| Hosts per Subnet (subtract 2)   | 8,388,608      | 4,194,304      | 2,097,152      | 1,048,576      | 524,288        | 262,144        | 131,072        |                |
| <b>Class A CIDR (3rd Octet)</b> | /17            | /18            | /19            | /20            | /21            | /22            | /23            | /24            |
| Subnets                         | 512            | 1,024          | 2,048          | 4,096          | 8,192          | 16,384         | 32,768         | 65,536         |
| Hosts per Subnet (subtract 2)   | 32,768         | 16,384         | 8,192          | 4,096          | 2,048          | 1,024          | 512            |                |
| <b>Class A CIDR (4th Octet)</b> | /25            | /26            | /27            | /28            | /29            | /30            |                | /24            |
| Subnets                         | 131,072        | 262,144        | 524,288        | 1,048,576      | 2,097,152      | 4,194,304      |                | 65,536         |
| Hosts per Subnet (subtract 2)   | 128            | 64             | 32             | 16             | 8              | 4              |                | 256            |

## Default Classful System

|                | Leading Bits  | Starts At | Net Bits  | Bits Left | # of Nets | Hosts per Net | Default Mask  | Native CIDRs |
|----------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>Class A</b> | 0xxx, 1-126   | -         | 0.0.0.1   | 8         | 24        | 128           | 255.0.0.0     | /9 to /16    |
| <b>Class B</b> | 10xx, 128-191 | -         | 128.0.0.0 | 16        | 16        | 16,384        | 255.255.0.0   | /17 to /24   |
| <b>Class C</b> | 110x, 192-223 | -         | 192.0.0.0 | 24        | 8         | 2,097,152     | 255.255.255.0 | /25 to /32   |
| <b>Class D</b> | 1110, 224-239 | Multicast | 224.0.0.0 | -         | -         | -             | -             | -            |
| <b>Class E</b> | 1111, 240-254 | Reserved  | 240.0.0.0 | -         | -         | -             | -             | -            |

## Reserved and Private Addresses

|                       |                              |                |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Class A</b>        | 10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255    | 10.0.0.0/8     |
| <b>Class B</b>        | 172.16.0.0 - 172.31.255.255  | 172.16.0.0/12  |
| <b>Class C</b>        | 192.168.0.0 - 255.255        | 192.168.0.0/16 |
| <b>Loopback</b>       | 127.x.x.x                    | 127.0.0.0/8    |
| <b>APIPA</b>          | 169.254.x.x                  | 169.254.0.0/16 |
| <b>Carrier NAT</b>    | 100.64.0.0 - 100.127.255.255 | 100.64.0.0/14  |
| <b>Stress-testing</b> | 198.18.0.0 - 199.19.255.255  | 198.18.0.0/15  |

The main reason the chart above lists CIDR info for unusual-looking address space is to assist with imagining the "subnetting" of large chunks of private address space as is mostly the case in 10.0.0.0/8, but also 172.16.0.0/12 blocks. In those cases, for ease of reference mimicking the traditional routed addressing while adding a more human-recognizable patterns might help, (i.e., 10.1.x.x for eastern US, 10.2.x.x for central U.S., 10.3.x.x for western U.S., and so forth, as appropriate). An entire 10.0.0.0/8 has plenty of space for creativity.

## Using the worksheet on the right hand side

### Class B Subnetting - Subnetting for Hosts

We are given a Class B: 160.12.0.0, BC: 255.255.0.0. We are asked for 4080 hosts so add 2= 4082 Bits: where is the line drawn? 4096 ^ 2048 1024 512 256 128 64 32 16 8 4 2 1  
So we need 12 bits- for hosts count from the RIGHT  
160.12. 0 0 0 1  
128 64 32 16 || 8 4 2 1 . 128 64 32 16 8 4 2 1  
Subnet mask is 240 (128+64+32+16) "Magic number" is 16  
160.12.16.0... 160.12.31.255  
160.12.32.0, 160.12.48.0, 160.12.64.0, etc

### Class C Subnetting - Subnetting for Networks

We are given 201.9.6.0 told to make 25 subnets- add 2 and it's 27.  
27 = 5 bits - count from the left  
201.9.6. 0 0 0 0 1  
128 64 32 16 8 || 4 2 1  
CIDR is /29 and 255.255.255.248 mask  
Network IDs are 201.9.6.8, 201.9.6.16, 201.9.6.24, 201.9.6.32, 201.9.6.40 ... etc.

### Class C Subnetting - Subnetting for Hosts - Review

We have 195.12.8.0 and need 40 hosts +2 = 42 = 6 bits to hold  
This time count FROM THE RIGHT to place the divider:  
195.12.8. 128 64 || 32 16 8 4 2 1  
Subnet mask is 255.255.255.192 (128+64), CIDR is /26  
Network IDs 195.12.8.64, 195.12.8.128. That's it since 192 is subnet for these subnets (and it's only a class C)

### Subnetting for Networks What if...? - Subnet Masks and borrowing from another octet

We are given a Class B: 150.9.0.0, BC: 255.255.0.0 We need to borrow 10 bits How do we deal with the subnet mask?  
150.9. 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  
128 64 32 16 8 4 2 1 . 128 64 || 32 16 8 4 2 1  
Use 64 (the 7th bit), 255.255.255.192 Since we are borrowing from the 4th octet it might look like a class C, but we can ultimately see by the first octet of the address (150) that this is Class B (128 to 191).

|     |     |     |    |                 |           |
|-----|-----|-----|----|-----------------|-----------|
| 2   | 128 | 128 | 24 | 2 <sup>23</sup> | 8,388,608 |
| 4   | 192 | 64  | 23 | 2 <sup>22</sup> | 4,194,304 |
| 8   | 224 | 32  | 22 | 2 <sup>21</sup> | 2,097,152 |
| 16  | 240 | 16  | 21 | 2 <sup>20</sup> | 1,048,576 |
| 32  | 248 | 8   | 20 | 2 <sup>19</sup> | 524,288   |
| 64  | 252 | 4   | 19 | 2 <sup>18</sup> | 262,144   |
| 128 | 254 | 2   | 18 | 2 <sup>17</sup> | 131,072   |
| 255 | 255 | 1   | 17 | 2 <sup>16</sup> | 65,536    |
| 2   | 128 | 128 | 16 | 2 <sup>15</sup> | 32,768    |
| 4   | 192 | 64  | 15 | 2 <sup>14</sup> | 16,384    |
| 8   | 224 | 32  | 14 | 2 <sup>13</sup> | 8,192     |
| 16  | 240 | 16  | 13 | 2 <sup>12</sup> | 4,096     |
| 32  | 248 | 8   | 12 | 2 <sup>11</sup> | 2,048     |
| 64  | 252 | 4   | 11 | 2 <sup>10</sup> | 1,024     |
| 128 | 254 | 2   | 10 | 2 <sup>9</sup>  | 512       |
| 255 | 255 | 1   | 9  | 2 <sup>8</sup>  | 256       |
| 2   | 128 | 128 | 8  | 2 <sup>7</sup>  | 128       |
| 4   | 192 | 64  | 7  | 2 <sup>6</sup>  | 64        |
| 8   | 224 | 32  | 6  | 2 <sup>5</sup>  | 32        |
| 16  | 240 | 16  | 5  | 2 <sup>4</sup>  | 16        |
| 32  | 248 | 8   | 4  | 2 <sup>3</sup>  | 8         |
| 64  | 252 | 4   | 3  | 2 <sup>2</sup>  | 4         |
| 128 | 254 | 2   | 2  | 2 <sup>1</sup>  | 2         |
| 255 | 255 | 1   | 1  | 2 <sup>0</sup>  | 1         |

← # of hosts by position  
← Power of 2  
← Binary bit placement  
← Binary bit by octet  
← subnet mask  
← # of nets by class type

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