Simple Router

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Logistics

In lab sessions, we will give a brief introduction of upcoming projects.

- (4.5%) Lab session #1: Socket Programming
  - Open at 3/10, Due 3/18 (11:55 pm) - 1 week
- (4.5%) Lab session #2: HTTP Proxy
  - Open at 3/19, Due 3/30 (11:55 pm) - 1.5 week
- (6+6%) Lab session #3: Simple TCP in Reliable Transport Layer
  - Open at 3/31, Due 4/13, 5/11 (11:55 pm) - 2/4 weeks for each (including Midterm period)
- (9%) Lab session #4: Simple Router
  - Open at 5/12, Due 6/1 (11:55 pm) - 3 weeks

The Ultimate Guide

Primary Project Document

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FvjZ3yYsJawWgalUDXL29v5gacAoPAZzep9CqiNjHmQ/edit?usp=sharing

This slide is based on the document above.

Please refer to this document first if there is any question.

Still ongoing project - we need your help and participation!

You can view and comment on the document directly, so please participate.

(hey, it's a rich source of participation points!)

Introduction

You are going to mimic a “Router”

- Given a **static** network topology & routing table
- No hardware router, but **software** one!

Introduction (2)

You will be able to understand

- How does a router use a **routing table** and **forward** received packets?
- How does a router handle **ARP** packets?
- When does a router send **ICMP** packets?

By emulating a **Simple Router** through **Virtual Network**.

High Level Requirements

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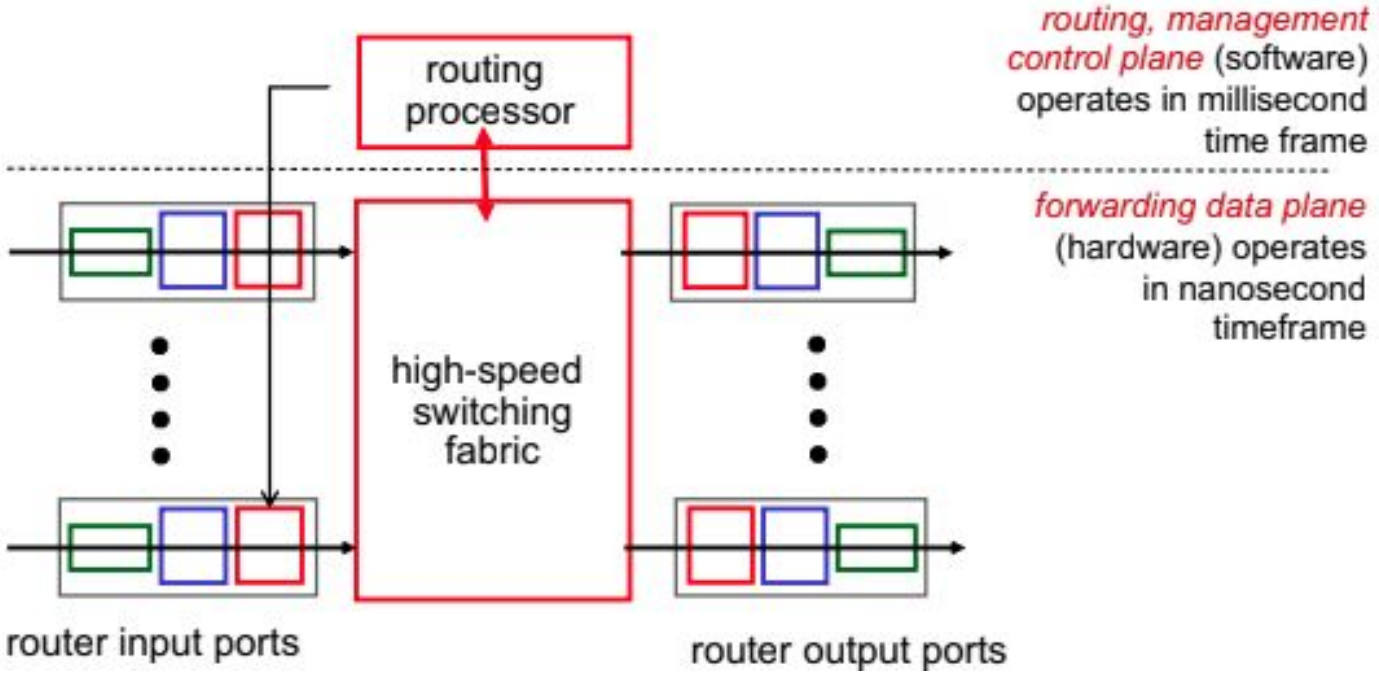
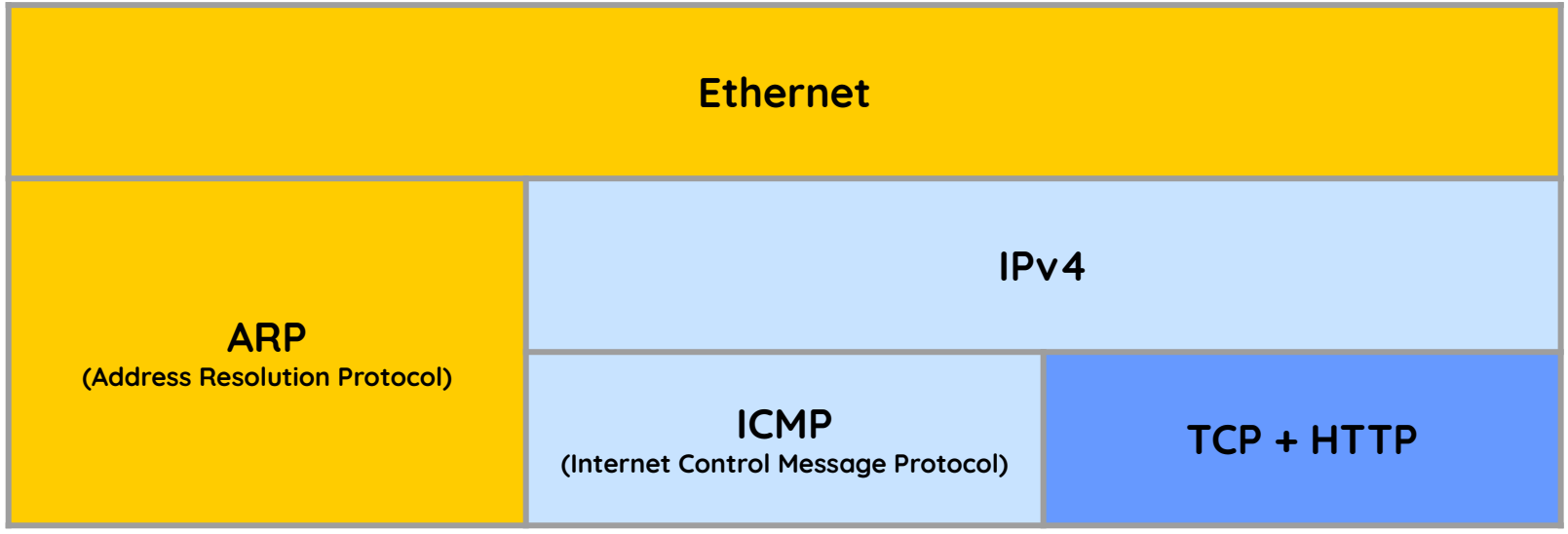
Do not modify the skeleton codes!

Router

- You will implement a ‘routing software’



Protocols to Understand



You need to fully understand: Ethernet, ARP, IPv4, ICMP

Ethernet

Destination Address. 6 bytes.

- The address(es) are specified for a unicast, multicast (subgroup), or broadcast (an entire group).

Source Address. 6 bytes.

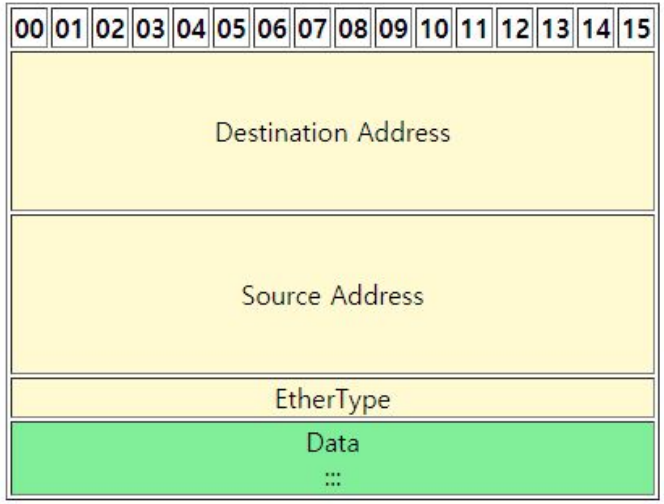
- The address is for a unicast (single computer or device).

EtherType. 16 bits.

- Which upper layer protocol will utilized the Ethernet frame.

Data. variable, 46-1500 bytes.

Ethernet 802.3 Packet format.



IPv4

IP header:

Total Length. 16 bits.: Contains the length of the datagram.

TTL, Time to Live. 8 bits.: A timer field used to track the lifetime of the datagram. When the TTL field is decremented down to zero, the datagram is discarded.

Protocol. 8 bits.: This field specifies the next encapsulated protocol (ICMP / TCP).

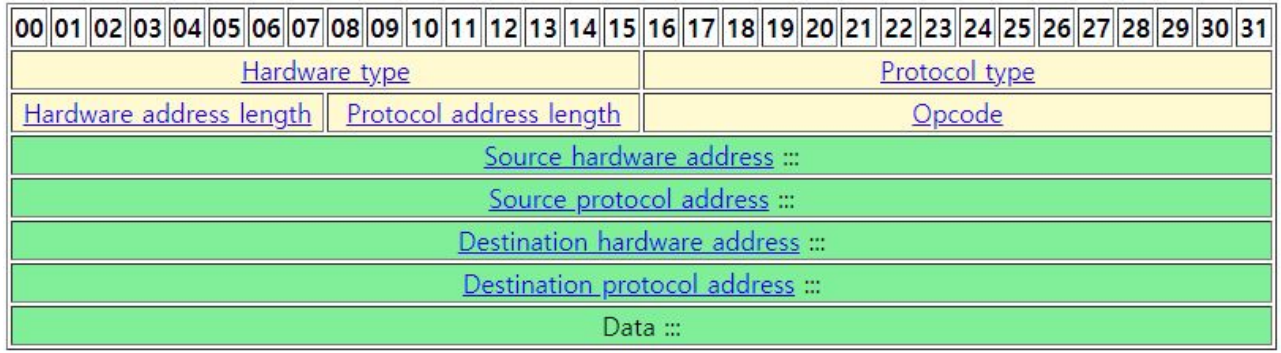
Header checksum. 16 bits.

Source IP address. 32 bits.

Destination IP address. 32 bits.

ARP

ARP header:



Source hardware address. Variable length.

Source protocol address. Variable length.

Destination hardware address. Variable length.

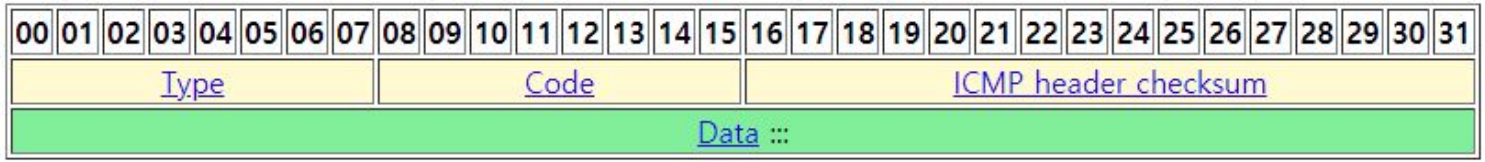
Destination protocol address. Variable length.

MAC address

IPv4 address

ICMP

ICMP header:



Type. 8 bits.

Code. 8 bits.

ICMP Header Checksum. 16 bits.

Data. Variable length.

Echo reply (Type: 0, Code: 0)
- Send as a response to an echo request (ping) to one of the router's interfaces.

Destination unreachable (Type: 3, Code: 0)
- Send if there is a non-existent route to the destination IP.

Destination host unreachable (Type: 3, Code: 1)
- Send if five ARP requests (sent to the next-hop IP) had no response.

Port unreachable (Type: 3, Code: 1)
- Send if IP packet containing TCP/UDP payload is sent to router's interface.

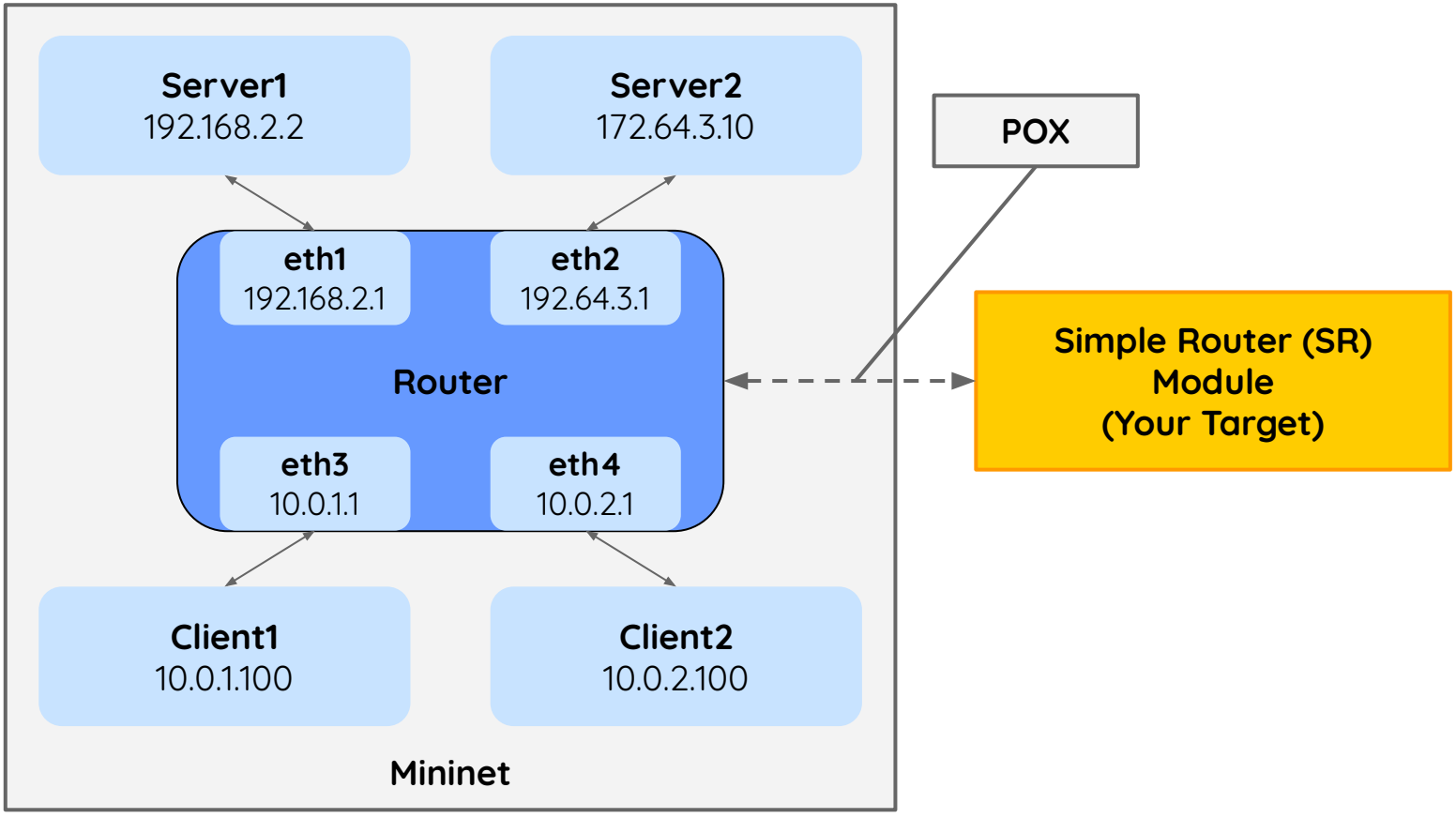
Time exceeded (Type: 11, Code: 0)
- Send if TTL expires (as zero).

Packet Forwarding Logic

Given an Ethernet frame which contains an IP packet

1. Sanity check the packet (length / checksum)
2. Check if the IP is on the **blacklist** (if yes → drop)
3. Decrement TTL (time-to-live) by 1, check if TTL expired (if yes → drop)
4. Find the proper interface by the longest prefix matching
5. Check the ARP cache for the next-hop MAC address corresponding to the IP address. If cache hit, send. Otherwise, queue the packet and request ARP.

Virtual Network Environment



How to Set the Environment?

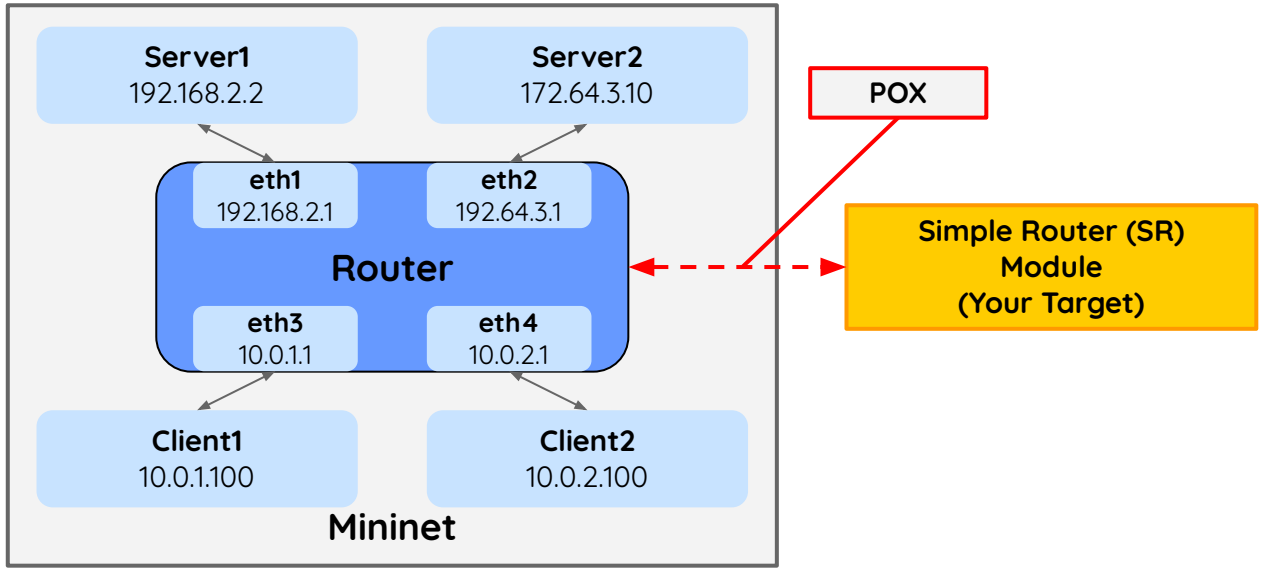
- We provide a Virtual Machine (VM) image that all required programs and environments are set.
  - Download VM image (link: TBD)
  - Install VirtualBox (https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads)
  - Import image and execute
    - Ubuntu ID: ee323 / PW: ee323
    - Root PW: root
  - Do not upgrade your operating system!

How to Run the Solution Program

We provide a solution program. To run,

1. `$ ./run_pox.sh`

POX: Communication module between router in Mininet and your Simple Router



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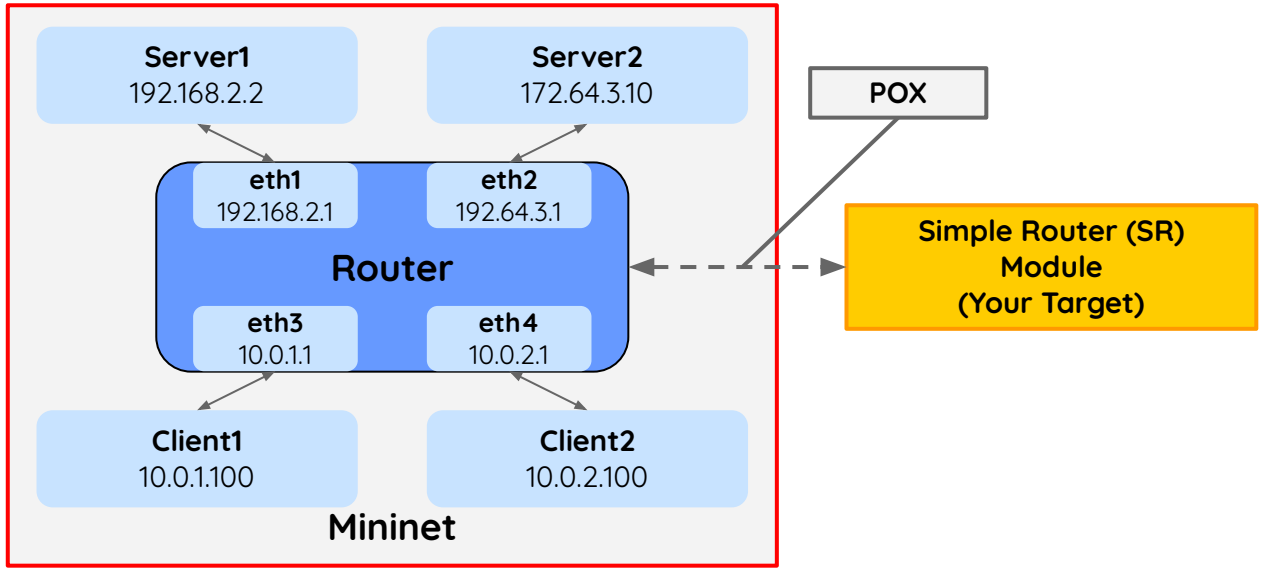
2. `$ ./run_mininet.sh`

Mininet: Virtual Network Emulator



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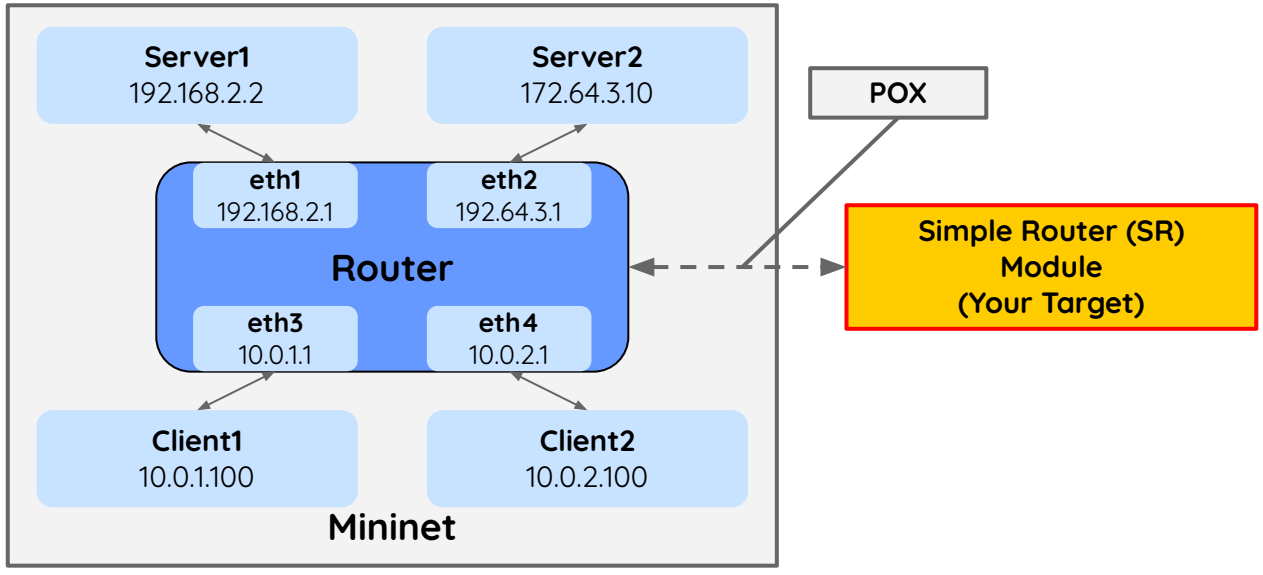

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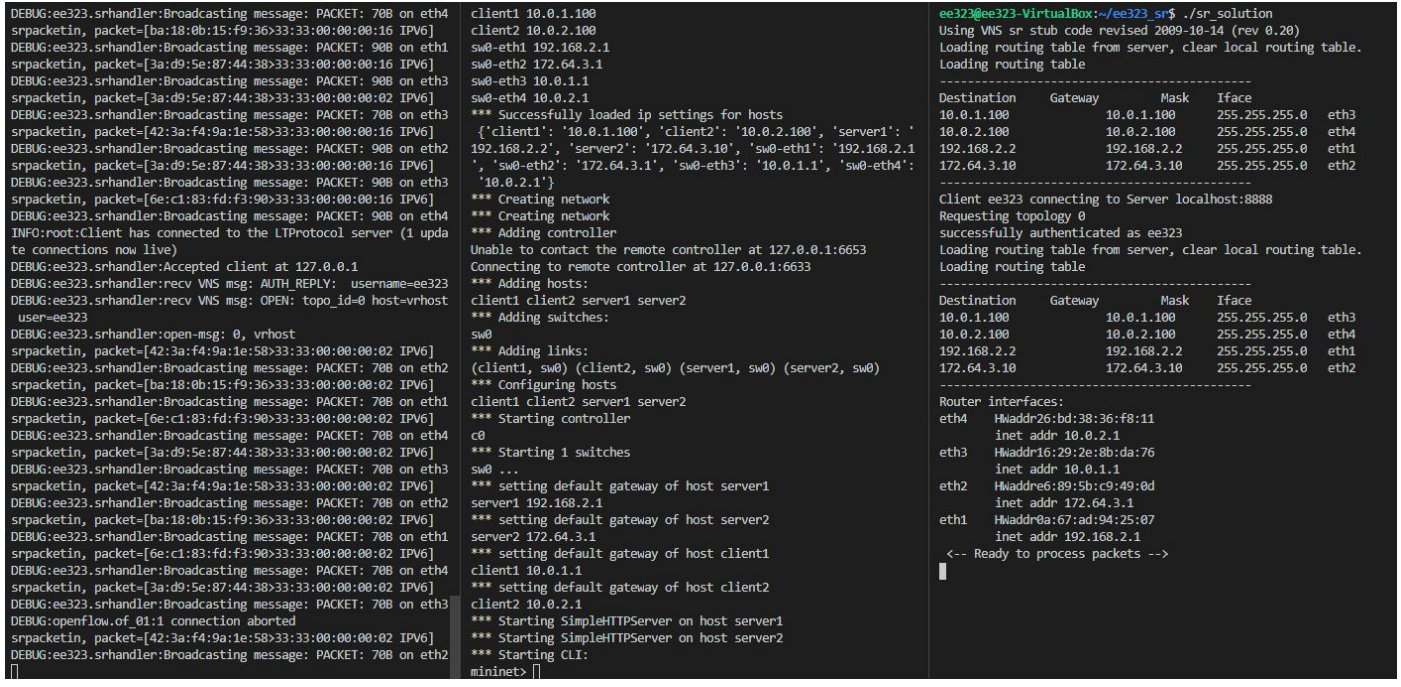

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Submission

Due date: June 1st, Thursday, 23:55 PM

You need to submit

- sr_router.c
- sr_arpcache.c
- report.pdf

Compress above items into one zip file and rename to:
{studentID}_{name(in English)}_project4.zip

(ex. 20219876_JohnDoe_project4.zip)

Tips & Caution

The most important thing is to understand the project

- Read the **document & resources** carefully

And then, understand the source codes

- Check several header/source files in **router** folder

Be careful on handling endianness

- **Network byte order** and **host byte order** is different
- Be familiar with related functions

Live Demo Session