

Lecture 3: Naming

CS 356: Introduction to Computer Networks

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P&D Chapter 3.3

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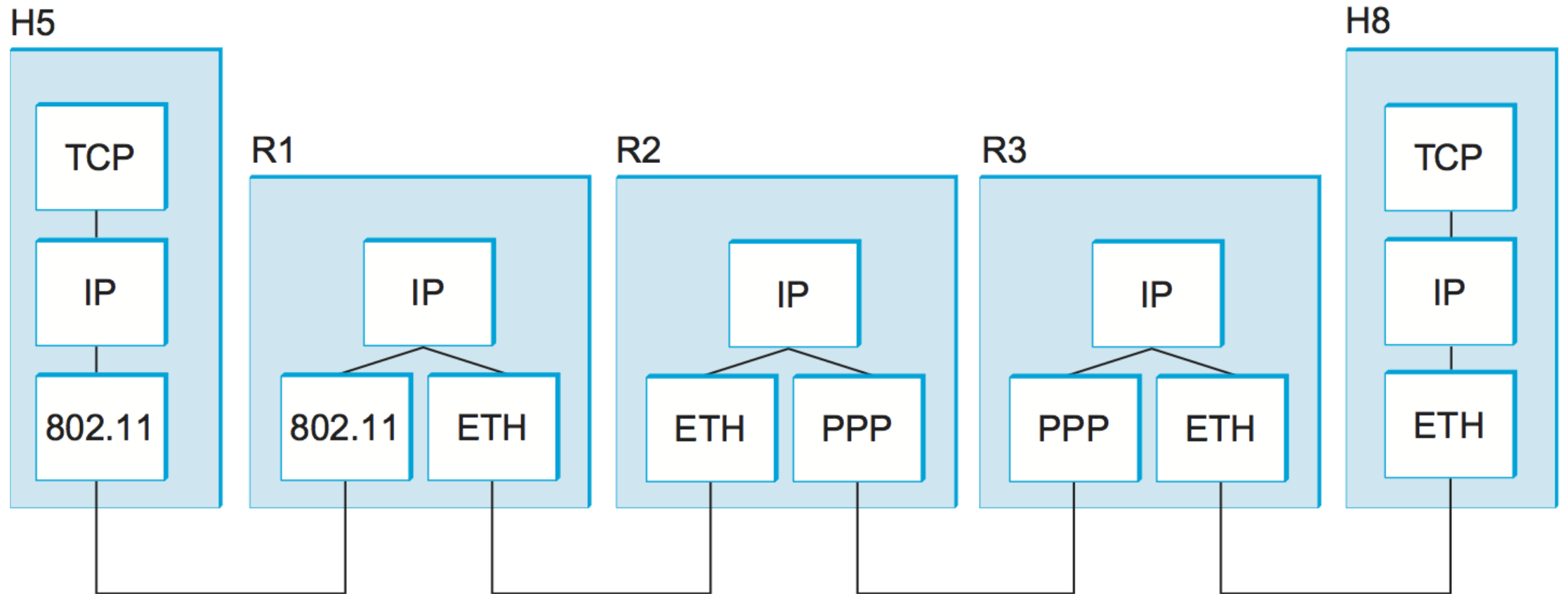
Logistics

- Assignment 1 is due on Friday
- I will post slides before the lecture
- In-class polls are graded only for participation, not correctness

Recap: Sockets

- Server listens on a given IP address and port. The port number is usually standardized (e.g. 80 for HTTP)
 - For example, it could pick 93.184.215.14:80 (format is IP:port), which was the address for example.com when I looked it up
- Client picks a random source port. The source IP is simply the IP address of the interface it uses to send the packet from.
 - Suppose it picks 18.14.124.2:3168
 - The first packet is {source: 18.14.124.3:3168, dest: 93.184.215.14:80, protocol: TCP}.
 - The same fields are used for every packet sent by the client to this server on this connection.
- Upon receiving this packet, the server creates a new socket identified by the fields in the packet listed above.
 - When the server sends a packet to this client on this socket, it uses the following fields: {source: 93.184.215.14:80, dest: 18.14.124.3:3168, protocol: TCP}
- This way a server can have multiple sockets to communicate with multiple clients. In fact, it can have multiple sockets to talk to the same client if the client picks a different source port for each.

Recap: Layers



Today's topic: naming

- A name can have two qualities
 - A: Fixed length, hierarchical name that is easy for machines to process
 - B: Names with words that humans can easily read and remember
- The internet has three types of names
 - Ethernet addresses: neither A nor B
 - IP addresses: only A
 - Domains names: only B + a little bit of A

Ethernet Addresses

- Completely “flat” 48-bit number
- For example: 00:40:05:1c:0e:9f
 - Q: What is your ethernet address? Did assignment 1 guide you to it?
 - Set by manufacturer, which means it is great for uniqueness. Each manufacturer is given a 24-bit prefix. They assign the rest at their discretion
 - Useless for routing: every router will have to remember exactly where every other machine is in the world
 - Q: is this infeasible with modern hardware?
- Useful when first connecting to a network, and within a local network. We will discuss more in the next class

IP Addresses (P&D 3.3.3)

- 32-bit address. For example: 93.184.215.14
 - Each number is between 0-255 and represents 8-bits
 - Q. How many addresses can you have? Is this enough?
- Allows for hierarchical addressing. Each **subnetwork** has a prefix. It can assign internally per its discretion (often by creating smaller subnetworks)

Hierarchical addressing in IP

- For example, UT could be given a prefix: 182.16.*.*
- All computers on campus will then be given addresses that begin with 182.16
- Routers outside UT only need to know how to forward things that begin with 182.16.*.* Everything else is internal business
- This prefix could be a part of a larger prefix from UT's ISP. It is likely subdivided further
- We will discuss how these tables are generated later

Network number	Host number
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Class B address

11111111111111111111111111111111	00000000
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Subnet mask (255.255.255.0)

Network number	Subnet ID	Host ID
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Subnetted address

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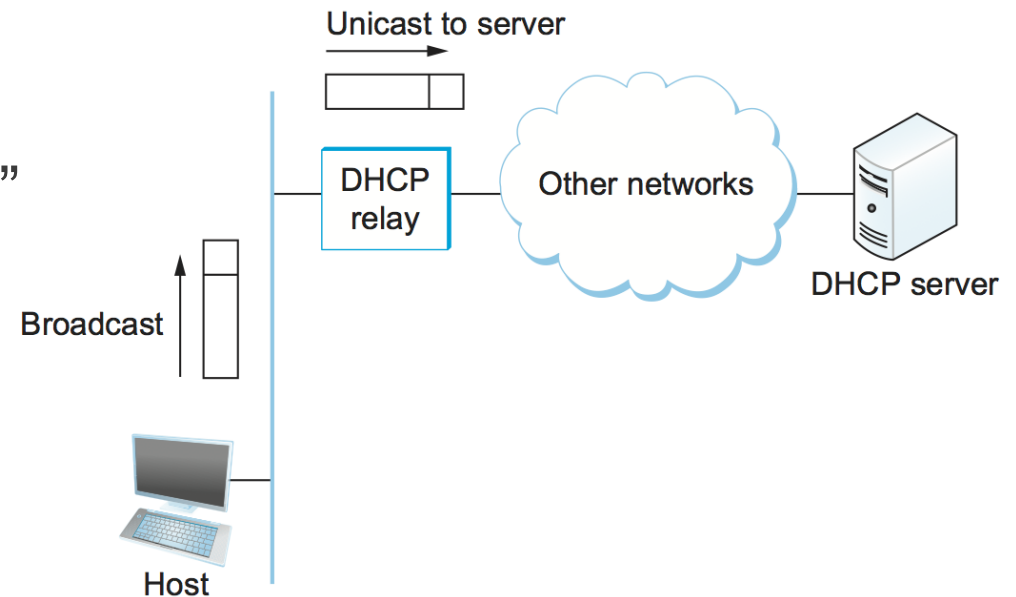
Example of a CIDR routing table

Book discusses the history of how we got to CIDR

IP Address	Mask	Next Hop
182.16.0.0	255.255.0.0	Interface 1
18.0.0.0	255.255.128.0	Interface 2
18.128.0.0	255.255.128.0	Interface 3
162.9.1.0	255.255.255.0	Interface 1

DHCP: How do I get my IP address? (P&D 3.3.7)

- New host: “Hello *everyone*, my ethernet address is 00:40:05:1c:0e:9f. Can someone give me an IP address please?”
- DHCP server (to everyone): “Dear 00:40:05:1c:0e:9f, use this one: 182.16.2.14”
- New host: “Ok”
- DHCP server: “Ok”
- The DHCP server has a block of addresses from which it allocates
- This is sent over UDP to a special broadcast IP address (255.255.255.255) and DHCP port 68/67

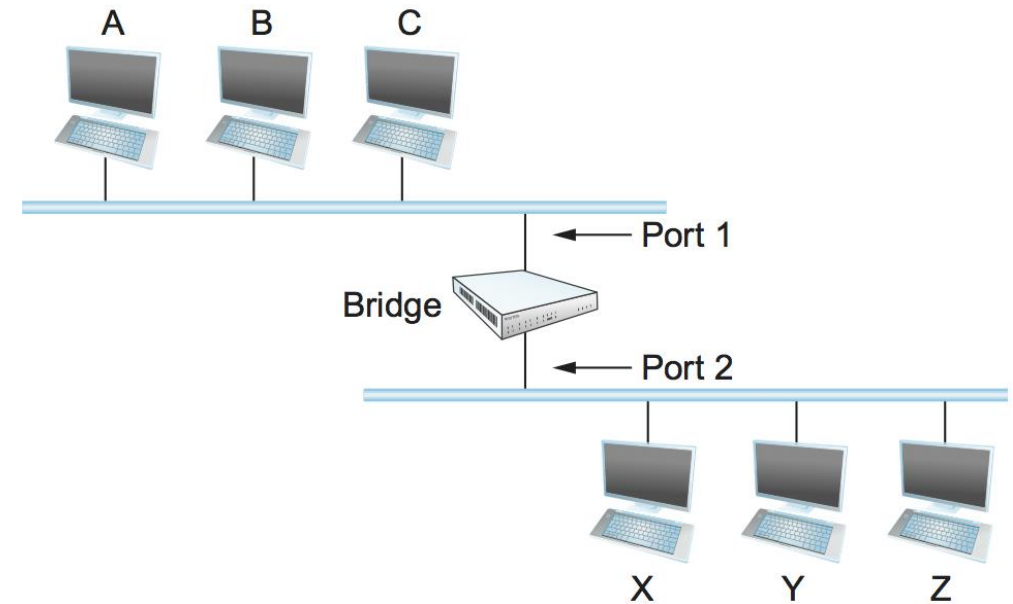


ARP: Routing within the local network (P&D 3.3.6)

- New host: “Hello everyone, I’m 00:40:05:1c:0e:9f and my IP address is 182.16.2.14”
- Or, existing host: “I got a message for 182.16.2.14. Who is it?”
- Host: “It’s me! I’m 00:40:05:1c:9f”

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- Can be used for basic switching for better scaling by looking at where announcements come from
- We can do better, which we will discuss in the next class
- Does not scale to the entire internet because everybody would have to remember where everyone is. Remember, this is why we invented hierarchical addressing



DNS: Global, human readable, names

- You pay money to buy a domain name like “google.com” or “chess.com”
- This lets you to get the Domain Name System (DNS) to respond with an IP address of *your choice* whenever someone asks for that domain name
- When a client wants to connect to “google.com”, they ask for an IP address. DNS returns with an IP address picked by google (usually, to a server close to you). Client connects to IP address for the rest of the business
- Assignment 1 asks you to make this query using the tool “nslookup”
- We will discuss more details later