Chapter 4: Network Layer Part A

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Network layer

Consider transporting a segment from sender to receiver

- sending side: encapsulates segments into datagrams
- receiving side: delivers
 segments to transport layer
- network layer protocols in every host, router
- router examines header fields in all datagrams passing through it



The Internet network layer

host, router network layer functions:



Roadmap



- Understand principles of network layer services:
 - forwarding versus routing
 - network layer service models
 - how a router works
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Two key network-layer functions

- forwarding: move packets from router's input to appropriate router output
- routing: determine route taken by packets from source to dest.
 - routing algorithms

analogy:

- routing: process of planning trip from source to dest
- forwarding: process of getting through single interchange

Interplay between routing and forwarding



Network service model

Q: What service model can be considered for a "channel" transporting packets from sender to receiver?

- example services for **individual** datagrams:
- guaranteed delivery
- guaranteed delivery with less than 40 msec delay

example services for a **flow** of packets:

- in-order delivery
- guaranteed minimum
 bandwidth to flow
- restrictions on changes in inter-packet time-spacing

Connection, connection-less service

- datagram network provides network-layer connectionless service (Internet model)
- * virtual-circuit network provides network-layer connection service (not in Internet)
- * analogous to TCP/UDP connection-oriented / connectionless transport-layer services, but:
 - service: host-to-host
 - no choice: network provides one or the other
 - implementation: in network core

Virtual circuits:

"source-to-dest path behaves almost like telephone circuit"

- call setup, teardown for each call before data can flow
 - signaling protocols to setup, maintain, teardown VC (ATM, frame-relay, X.25; not in IP)
- each packet carries VC identifier (not destination host)
- every router maintains "state" for each passing connection
- resources (bandwidth, buffers) may be *allocated* to VC (dedicated resources = predictable service)



VC forwarding table



forwarding table in northwest router:

Incoming interface	Incoming VC #	Outgoing interface	Outgoing VC #	
1	12	3	22	
2	63	1	18	
3	7	2	17	
1	97	3	87	

VC routers maintain connection **state** information!

Datagram networks (the Internet model)

- no call setup at network layer
- routers: no state about end-to-end connections
 - no network-level concept of "connection"
- packets forwarded using destination host address



Internet Datagram forwarding table



Datagram forwarding table

Destination Address Range			Link Interface	
11001000	00010111	00010000	0000000	
through				0
11001000	00010111	00010111	11111111	
11001000	00010111	00011000	0000000	
through				1
11001000	00010111	00011000	11111111	
11001000	00010111	00011001	0000000	
11001000	00010111	00011001	00000000	2
through				2
11001000	00010111	00011111	11111111	
otherwise				3

Q: but what happens if ranges don't divide up nicely?

Longest prefix matching

- longest prefix matching

when looking for forwarding table entry for given destination address, use *longest* address prefix that matches destination address (more on this coming soon)

Destination Address Range			Link interface	
11001000	00010111	00010***	* * * * * * * * *	0
11001000	00010111	00011000	* * * * * * * * *	1
11001000	00010111	00011***	* * * * * * * * *	2
otherwise				3

examples:

DA: 11001000 00010111 00010110 10100001 DA: 11001000 00010111 00011000 10101010 which interface? which interface?

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Datagram or VC network: why?

Internet (datagram)

- data exchange among computers
 - "elastic" service, no strict timing req.
- many link types
 - different characteristics
 - uniform service difficult
- smart" end systems (computers)
 - can adapt, perform control, error recovery
 - simple inside network, complexity at "edge"

VC (eg ATM: a past's vision of the future's ww-network)

- evolved from telephony
- human conversation:
 - strict timing, reliability requirements
 - need for guaranteed service
- "dumb" end systems
 - telephones
 - complexity inside network



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Router architecture overview

two key router functions:

- run routing algorithms/protocol (eg: RIP, OSPF, BGP; more on these next lecture)
- forwarding datagrams from incoming to outgoing link





Switching fabrics

- transfer packet from input buffer to appropriate output buffer
- switching rate: rate at which packets can be transfer from inputs to outputs
 - often measured as multiple of input/output line rate
 - N inputs: switching rate N times line rate desirable
- three types of switching fabrics:



Switching via memory

first generation routers:

- traditional computers with switching under direct control of CPU
- packet copied to system's memory
- speed limited by memory bandwidth (2 bus crossings per datagram)



Switching via a bus

- datagram from input port memory to output port memory via a shared bus
- *bus contention:* switching speed limited by bus bandwidth



bus

 32 Gbps bus, Cisco 5600: sufficient speed for access and enterprise routers

Switching Via An Interconnection Network

- r Overcome bus bandwidth limitations
- r Banyan networks, other interconnection nets (also used in processors-memory interconnects in multiprocessors)

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- M Advanced design: fragmenting datagram into fixed length cells, switch cells through the fabric (ATM-network principle).
- r Cisco 12000: switches at 60 Gbps







Output ports



- buffering required when datagrams arrive from fabric faster than the transmission rate
 - queueing (delay) and loss due to output port buffer overflow!
- scheduling discipline chooses among queued datagrams for transmission

Output port queueing



- buffering when arrival rate via switch exceeds output line speed
- queueing (delay) and loss due to output port buffer overflow!

Input port queuing

- fabric slower than input ports combined -> queueing may occur at input queues
 - queueing delay and loss due to input buffer overflow!
- Head-of-the-Line (HOL) blocking: queued datagram at front of queue prevents others in queue from moving forward



lower red packet is blocked

green packet experiences HOL blocking

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IPv4 datagram format



IP addressing: introduction

- IP address: 32-bit identifier for host, router interface
- interface: connection
 between host/router and
 physical link
 - router's typically have multiple interfaces
 - host typically has one or two interfaces (e.g., wired Ethernet and wireless 802.11)



Dotted Decimal Notation



*IP address:

- subnet part high order bits (variable number)
- host part low order bits

*what's a subnet ?

- device interfaces with same subnet part of IP address
- can physically reach each other without intervening router



network consisting of 3 subnets



recipe

- to determine the subnets, detach each interface from its host or router, creating islands of isolated networks
- each isolated network
 is called a subnet



223.1.3.0/24

subnet mask: eg /24 defines how to find the subnet part of the address ...

IP addressing: CIDR

CIDR: Classless InterDomain Routing

- subnet portion of address of arbitrary length
- address format: a.b.c.d/x, where x is # bits in subnet portion of address



Subnets, masks, calculations

Example subnet: 192.168.5.0/24

	Binary form	Dot-decimal notation
IP address	11000000.10101000.00000101.10000010	192.168.5.130
Subnet mask	11111111111111111111100000000 24 first bits set to 1	255.255.255.0
Network prefix: (bitwise AND of address, mask)	11000000.10101000.00000101.00000000	192.168.5.0
Host part (similar calculation, with eg a "mask" where the 32 – 24 last bits set to 1)	0000000.0000000.00000000.10000010	0.0.0.130

Classless Address: example

- An ISP has an address block 122.211.0.0/16
- A customer needs max. 6 host addresses,
- ISP can e.g. allocate: 122.211.176.208/29
 - 3 bits enough for host part
- subnet mask 255.255.255.248

	Dotted Decimal	Last 8 bits	
Network	122.211.176. 208	11010000	
1st address	122.211.176.209	11010001	
	•••••		Reserved
6th address	122.211.176. 214	11010110	
Broadcast	122.211.176. 215	11010	

CIDR Address Mask

CIDR Notation	Dotted Decimal	CIDR Notation	Dotted Decimal
/1	128.0.0.0	/17	255.255.128.0
/2	192.0.0.0	/18	255.255.192.0
/3	224.0.0.0	/19	255.255.224.0
/4	240.0.0.0	/20	255.255.240.0
/5	248.0.0.0	/21	255.255.248.0
/6	252.0.0.0	/22	255.255.252.0
/7	254.0.0.0	/23	255.255.254.0
/8	255.0.0.0	/24	255.255.255.0
/9	255.128.0.0	/25	255.255.255.128
/10	255.192.0.0	/26	255.255.255.192
/11	255.224.0.0	/27	255.255.255.224
/12	255.240.0.0	/28	255.255.255.240
/13	255.248.0.0	/29	255.255.255.248
/14	255.252.0.0	/30	255.255.255.252
/15	255.254.0.0	/31	255.255.255.254
/16	255.255.0.0	/32	255.255.255.255

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Special IP Addresses

- Localhost and local loopback
 - I27.0.0.1 of the reserved I27.0.0.0 (I27.0.0.0/8)
- Private IP-addresses
 - IO.0.0.0 IO.255.255.255
 - **|72.|6**.0.0 **|72.3|**.255.255
 - I92.168.0.0 192.168.255.255
- (172.16.0.0/12)

(10.0.0/8)

- 5.255 (192.168.0.0/16)
- Link-local Addresses (stateless autoconfig)
 - I69.254.0.0 I69.254.255.255 (169.254.0.0/16)
IP addresses: how to get one?

- Q: How does a host get IP address?
- Hard-coded by system admin in a file
 - Windows: control-panel->network->configuration->tcp/ip->properties
 - UNIX: /etc/rc.config
- DHCP: Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol: dynamically get address from as server
 - "plug-and-play"
- Display address information:
 - Windows: ipconfig /all
 - Linux: ip addr list

DHCP: Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

goal: allow host to dynamically obtain its IP address from network server when it joins network

- can renew its lease on address in use
- allows reuse of addresses (only hold address while connected/"on")
- support for mobile users who want to join network (more shortly)

DHCP overview:

- host broadcasts "DHCP discover" msg [optional]
- DHCP server responds with "DHCP offer" msg [optional]
- host requests IP address: "DHCP request" msg
- DHCP server sends address: "DHCP ack" msg

DHCP client-server scenario



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Q:Why a request msg?

Several DHCP servers may answer and offer addresses

DHCP: more than an IP address

DHCP can return more than just allocated IP address on subnet:

- address of first-hop router for client
- name and IP address of DNS sever
- network mask (indicating network versus host portion of address)

DHCP: example



- connecting laptop needs its IP address, addr of first-hop router, addr of DNS server: use DHCP
- DHCP request encapsulated in UDP, encapsulated in IP, encapsulated in 802.1 Ethernet
- Ethernet frame broadcast (dest: FFFFFFFFFF) on LAN, received at router running DHCP server
- Ethernet demuxed to IP demuxed, UDP demuxed to DHCP

DHCP: example



- DCP server formulates DHCP ACK containing client's IP address, IP address of first-hop router for client, name & IP address of DNS server
- encapsulation of DHCP server, frame forwarded to client, demuxing up to DHCP at client
- client now knows its IP address, name and IP address of DNS server, IP address of its first-hop router

DHCP: Wireshark output (home LAN)

Message type: Boot Request (1) Hardware type: Ethernet Hardware address length: 6 request Hops: 0 Transaction ID: 0x6b3a11b7 Seconds elapsed: 0 Bootp flags: 0x0000 (Unicast) Client IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0) Your (client) IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0) 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: Wistron 23:68:8a (00:16:d3:23:68:8a) Server host name not given Boot file name not given Magic cookie: (OK) Option: (t=53,l=1) **DHCP Message Type = DHCP Request** Option: (61) Client identifier Length: 7; Value: 010016D323688A; Hardware type: Ethernet Client MAC address: Wistron 23:68:8a (00:16:d3:23:68:8a) Option: (t=50,l=4) Requested IP Address = 192.168.1.101 Option: (t=12,I=5) Host Name = "nomad" **Option: (55) Parameter Request List** Length: 11; Value: 010F03062C2E2F1F21F92B 1 = Subnet Mask; 15 = Domain Name 3 = Router: 6 = Domain Name Server 44 = NetBIOS over TCP/IP Name Server

Message type: **Boot Reply (2)** reply Hardware type: Ethernet Hardware address length: 6 Hops: 0 Transaction ID: 0x6b3a11b7 Seconds elapsed: 0 Bootp flags: 0x0000 (Unicast) Client IP address: 192.168.1.101 (192.168.1.101) Your (client) IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0) Next server IP address: 192.168.1.1 (192.168.1.1) Relay agent IP address: 0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0) Client MAC address: Wistron 23:68:8a (00:16:d3:23:68:8a) Server host name not given Boot file name not given Magic cookie: (OK) **Option: (t=53,I=1) DHCP Message Type = DHCP ACK Option: (t=54,I=4) Server Identifier = 192.168.1.1** Option: (t=1,I=4) Subnet Mask = 255.255.255.0 Option: (t=3,I=4) Router = 192.168.1.1 **Option: (6) Domain Name Server** Length: 12; Value: 445747E2445749F244574092; IP Address: 68.87.71.226: IP Address: 68.87.73.242: IP Address: 68.87.64.146 Option: (t=15,I=20) Domain Name = "hsd1.ma.comcast.net."

IP addresses: how to get one?

- Q: how does an organisation get a network of IP addresses?
- A: gets allocated as a portion (subnet) of its ISP's address space; eg:



Hierarchical addressing: route aggregation

hierarchical addressing allows efficient advertisement of routing information:



IP addressing: the last word...

- Q: how does an ISP get block of addresses?
- A: ICANN: Internet Corporation for Assigned
 - Names and Numbers http://www.icann.org/
 - allocates addresses
 - manages DNS
 - assigns domain names, resolves disputes

forwarding table in A

IP datagram:

misc	source	dest	dete
fields	IP addr	IP addr	data

- r datagram remains unchanged, as it travels source to destination
- r addr fields of interest here



misc	223.1.1.1	223.1.1.3	data
fields			

- Starting at A, given IP datagram addressed to B:
- r look up net. address of B
- r find B is on same net. as A (B and A are directly connected)
- r link layer will send datagram directly to B (inside link-layer frame)



misc	223.1.1.1	223.1.2.3	data
fields			

Starting at A, dest. E:

- r look up network address of E
- r E on *different* network
- r routing table: next hop router to E is 223.1.1.4
- r link layer is asked to send datagram to router 223.1.1.4 (inside link-layer frame)
- r datagram arrives at 223.1.1.4
- r continued.....



misc	000 4 4 4	000 4 0 0	data
fields	223.1.1.1	223.1.2.3	data

Arriving at 223.1.4, destined for 223.1.2.2

- r look up network address of E
- r E on *same* network as router's interface 223.1.2.9
 - m router, E directly attached
- r link layer sends datagram to 223.1.2.2 (inside link-layer frame) via interface 223.1.2.9
- r datagram arrives at 223.1.2.2!!! (hooray!)







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ICMP: internet control message protocol

- used by hosts & routers to communicate network-level information
 - error reporting: unreachable host, network, port, protocol
 - echo request/reply (used by ping)
- network-layer "above" IP:
 - ICMP msgs carried in IP datagrams
- ICMP message: type, code plus first 8 bytes of IP datagram causing error

<u>Type</u>	<u>Code</u>	description	
0	0	echo reply (ping)	
3	0	dest. network unreachable	
3	1	dest host unreachable	
3	2	dest protocol unreachable	
3	3	dest port unreachable	
3	6	dest network unknown	
3	7	dest host unknown	
4	0	source quench (congestion	
		control - not used)	
8	0	echo request (ping)	
9	0	route advertisement	
10	0	router discovery	
11	0	TTL expired	
12	0	bad IP header	

Traceroute and ICMP

- source sends series of UDP segments to dest
 - first set has TTL = I
 - second set has TTL=2, etc.
 - unlikely port number
- when *n*th set of datagrams arrives to nth router:
 - router discards datagrams
 - and sends source ICMP messages (type 11, code 0)
 - ICMP messages includes name of router & IP address

 when ICMP messages arrive, source records RTTs

stopping criteria:

- UDP segment eventually arrives at destination host
- destination returns ICMP
 "port unreachable"
 message (type 3, code 3)
- source stops







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all datagrams leaving local network have same single source NAT IP address: 138.76.29.7,different source port numbers

datagrams with source or destination in this network have 10.0.0/24 address for source, destination (as usual)

motivation: local network uses just one IP address as far as outside world is concerned:

- range of addresses not needed from ISP: just one IP address for all devices
- can change addresses of devices in local network without notifying outside world
- can change ISP without changing addresses of devices in local network
- devices inside local net not explicitly addressable, visible by outside world (a security plus)

implementation: NAT router must:

outgoing datagrams: replace (source IP address, port #) of every
outgoing datagram to (NAT IP address, new port #)
... remote clients/servers will respond using (NAT IP address,
new port #) as destination addr

remember (in NAT translation table) every (source IP address, port #) to (NAT IP address, new port #) translation pair

incoming datagrams: replace (NAT IP address, new port #) in dest fields of every incoming datagram with corresponding (source IP address, port #) stored in NAT table



- I6-bit port-number field:
 - 64k simultaneous connections with a single LAN-side address!
- NAT is controversial:
 - routers should only process up to layer 3
 - violates end-to-end argument
 - NAT possibility must be taken into account by app designers, e.g., P2P applications
 - address shortage should instead be solved by IPv6

NAT traversal problem

- client wants to connect to server with address 10.0.0.1
 - server address 10.0.0.1 local to LAN (client can't use it as destination addr)
 - only one externally visible address: 138.76.29.7
- solution I: statically configure NAT to forward incoming connection requests at given port to server
 - e.g., (123.76.29.7, port 2500) always forwarded to 10.0.0.1 port 25000
- Solution 2: automate the above through a protocol (universal plug-and-play)
- Solution 3: through a proxy/relay (will discuss in connection to p2p applications)







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IPv6: motivation

- initial motivation: 32-bit address space soon to be completely allocated.
- additional motivation:
 - header format helps speed processing/forwarding
 - header changes to facilitate QoS

IPv6 datagram format:

- fixed-length 40 byte header
- no fragmentation allowed
- 128-bit addresses $(2^{128} = 10^{38} \text{ hosts})$
- Standard subnet size: 2⁶⁴ hosts

IPv6 datagram format

priority: identify priority among datagrams in flow flow Label: identify datagrams in same "flow." (concept of "flow" not well defined).

ver	pri	flow label			
۲	payload len		next hdr	hop limit	
	source address (128 bits)				
destination address (128 bits)					
data					

32 bits

Other changes from IPv4

- checksum: removed entirely to reduce processing time at each hop
- options: allowed, but outside of header, indicated by "Next Header" field
- ICMPv6: new version of ICMP
 - additional message types, e.g. "Packet Too Big"
 - multicast group management functions

Transition from IPv4 to IPv6

not all routers can be upgraded simultaneously

- no "flag days"
- how will network operate with mixed IPv4 and IPv6 routers?
- tunneling: IPv6 datagram carried as payload in IPv4 datagram among IPv4 routers





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Reading instructions

- Main textbook: careful: 4.1-4.6, quick/optional:
 4.7
- Further, optional study: cf embedded, no-pptshow slides

Review questions for this part

network layer service models

- Contrast virtual circuit and datagram routing (simplicity, cost, purposes, what service types they may enable)
- forwarding versus routing
 - Explain the interplay between routing and forwarding
- how a router works
 - What is inside a router? How/where do queueing delays happen inside a router? Where/why can packets be dropped at a router?
- What is subnet? What is subnet masking?
 - Train/exercise masking calculations
- Explain how to get an IP packet from source to destination
- Explain how NAT works.

Some complementary material /videolinks

- How does BGP choose its routes <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RGe0qt9Wz4U&feature=plcp</u>
- IP addresses and subnets <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZTJIkjgyuZE&list=PLE9F3F05C381ED8E8&</u> <u>feature=plcp</u>

Some taste of layer 2: no worries if not all details fall in place, need the lecture also to grasp them. The lecture will be held next week

- Hubs, switches, routers <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=reXS_e3fTAk&feature=related</u>
- *
- What is a broadcast + MAC address http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BmZNcjLtmwo&feature=plcp
- Broadcast domains:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EhJOITCQX5I&feature=plcp
Extra slides

Connection setup

- 3rd important function in some network architectures:
 - ATM, frame relay, X.25
- before datagrams flow, two end hosts and intervening routers establish virtual connection
 - routers get involved
- network vs transport layer connection service:
 - network: between two hosts (may also involve intervening routers in case of VCs)
 - transport: between two processes

Network layer service models:

Network Architecture	Service Model	Guarantees ?				Congestion
		Bandwidth	Loss	Order	Timing	feedback
Internet	best effort	none	no	no	no	no (inferred via loss)
ATM	CBR	constant rate	yes	yes	yes	no congestion
ATM	VBR	guaranteed rate	yes	yes	yes	no congestion
ATM	ABR	guaranteed minimum	no	yes	no	yes
ATM	UBR	none	no	yes	no	no

- r Internet model being extented: Intserv, Diffserv
- m (will study these later on)

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NAT traversal problem

- solution 2 (protocol) : Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) Internet Gateway Device (IGD) Protocol. Allows NATted host to:
 - learn public IP address (138.76.29.7)
 - enumerate existing port mappings
 - add/remove port mappings (with lease times)
 - i.e., automate static NAT port map configuration



NAT traversal problem

- solution 3 (application): relaying (used in Skype)
 - NATed server establishes connection to relay
 - External client connects to relay
 - relay bridges packets between two connections

