

Introduction to Computer Networks

# Efficient Addressing

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# Today

## Last lecture

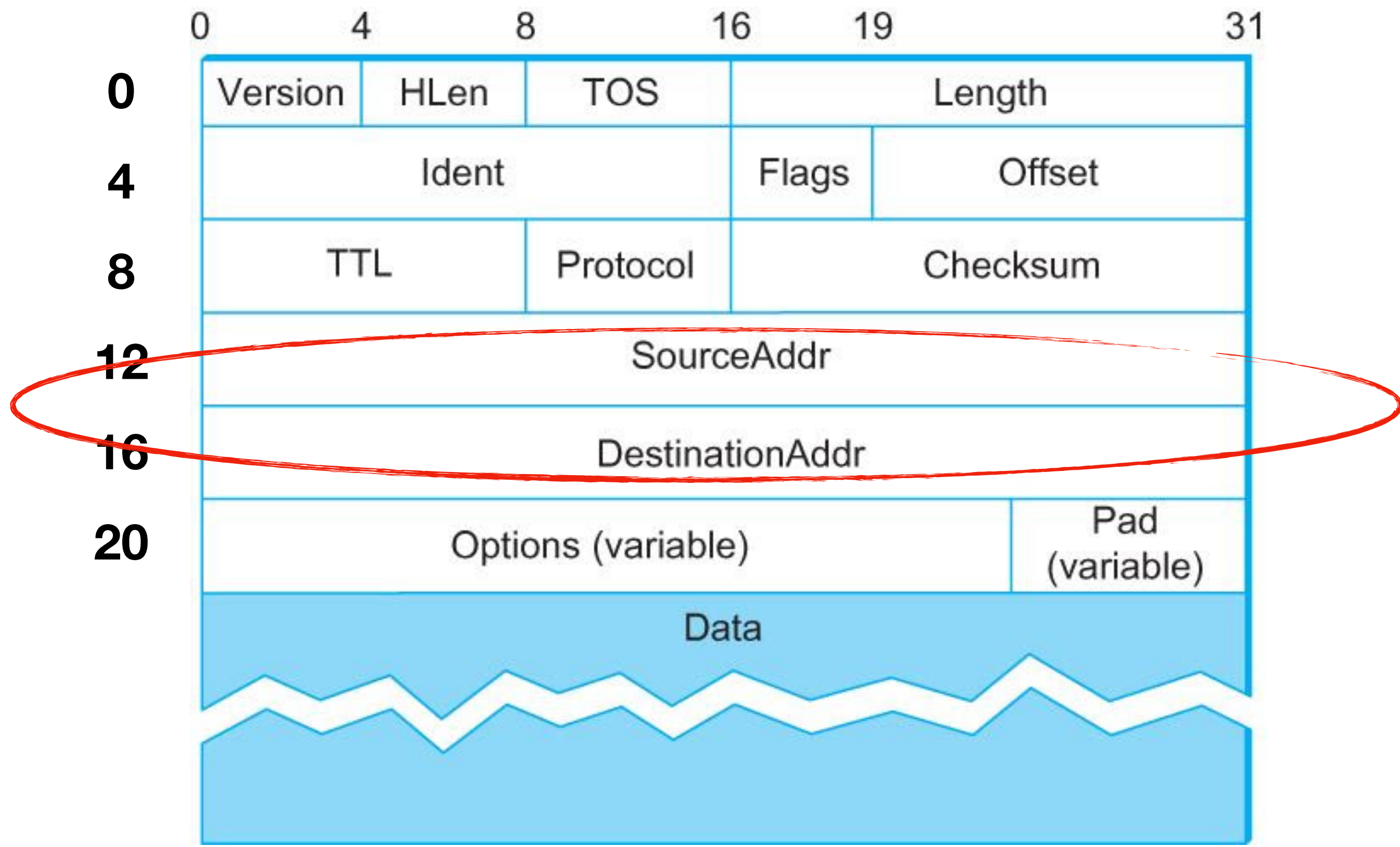
- What functionalities do the IP layer provide?

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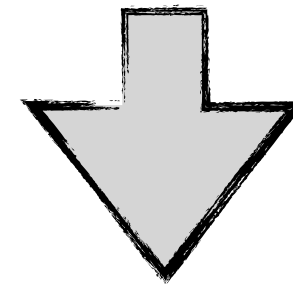
- How to assign an IP address?

## Announcements

- Lab2 is due tomorrow 10/14/2022, 11:59 PM
- Lab3 is released tomorrow



# **Q: How to assign an IP address?**



- Q1: Who owns the IP address?**
- Q2: What are the requirements?**
- Q3: What is the approach?**

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## **A: Host.**

- An IP address is assigned to a host, but is associated with a communication port (i.e., interface)
- A host can own multiple IP addresses
- A host can reconfigure its IP address

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**A: Global uniqueness.**

- IP provides a single logical network
- Impossible!



**Q3: What is the approach?**

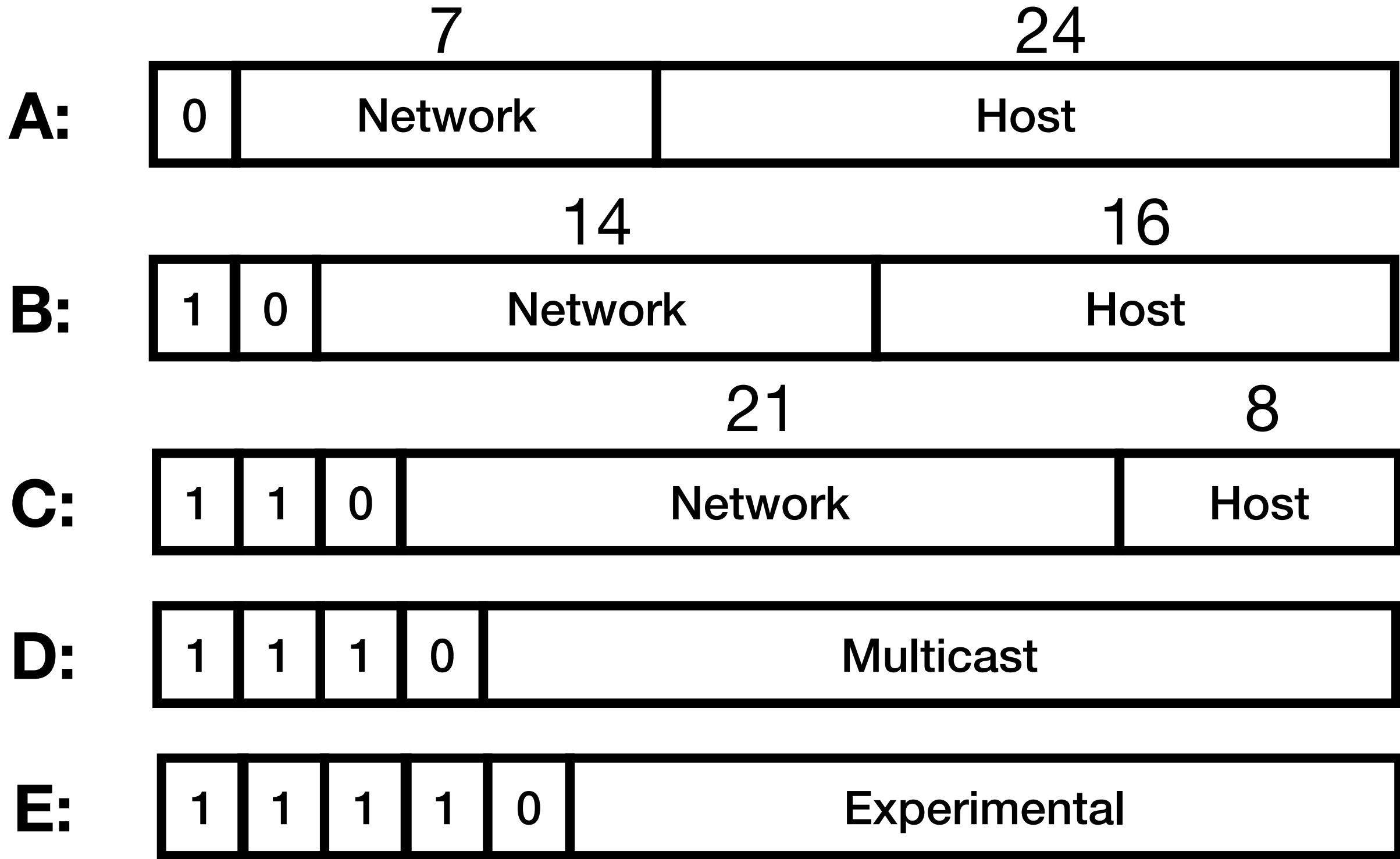
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**A: Hierarchical addresses.**

- Assigned by ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers)

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## Classful addressing

- Class A: 1.0.0.0 to 127.0.0.0
- Class B: 128.0.0.0 to 191.255.0.0
- Class C: 192.0.0.0 to 223.255.255.0

## Dot representation

- Four decimal integers separated by dots
- best-linux.cs.wisc.edu: 128.105.37.175

# IPv4 address

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ICANN assigns the network number (or IP address range) for an organization, but not for individual hosts!

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# **Host IP Assignment #1: Manual Configuration**

**Most host operating systems provide a way to manually configure the IP information for the host**

## **Drawbacks of manual configuration**

- A lot of work to configure all the hosts in a large network
- The configuration process is error-prone

# Host IP Assignment #2: DHCP

## Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

- A dedicated service for assigning IP for each administrative domain

### **A DHCP server maintains a pool of available addresses**

- Maintain the mapping between hosts and IP addresses
- Each IP is associated with a lease to ensure flexibility
- Leases are periodically refreshed

# How DHCP works

## **#1: The newly booted or attached host sends a specialized IP broadcast message to its network**

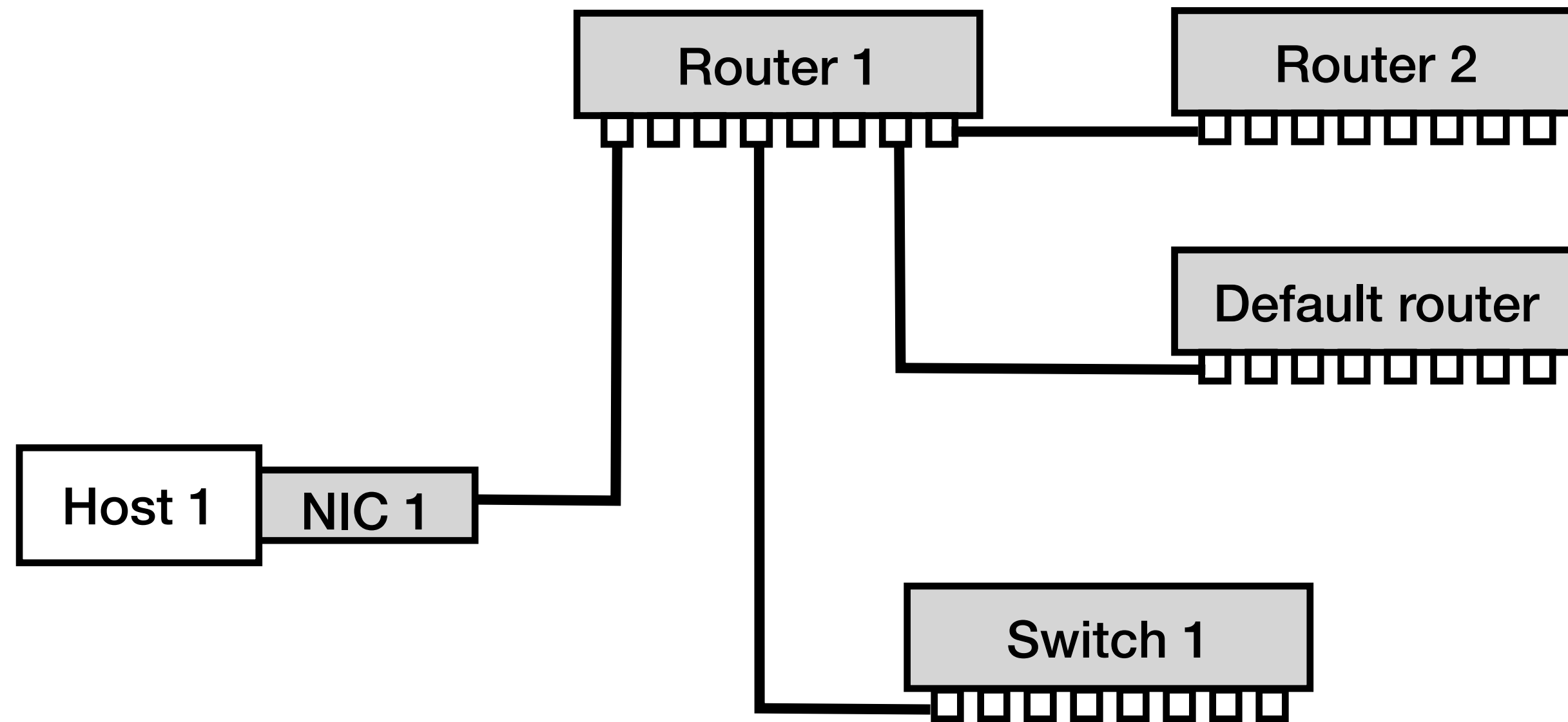
- DHCP has its own header format
- Broadcast IP address: 255.255.255.255
- Use the Ethernet MAC address to distinguish itself from others

## **#2: The DHCP server replies to the host with an assigned IP address and metadata**

- A DHCP server can also be responsible for multiple administrative domains
- A domain could hold a relay agent that interacts with the central DHCP server



# Forwarding in a Router



Network Number	Forwarding Port (NextHop)
1	Port 1 (Host 1)
2	Port 4 (Switch 1)
3	Port 8 (Router 2)

# Forwarding in a Router

D = destination IP address  
N = networkNum(D)

```
if N == Network Number of one of my interfaces
    Deliver packet over that interface
Else
    if N is in my lookup table
        deliver datagram to next Hop corresp. to N
    else
        deliver datagram to default router
```

# Problem: network numbers are limited!

## Subnet: one more address hierarchy

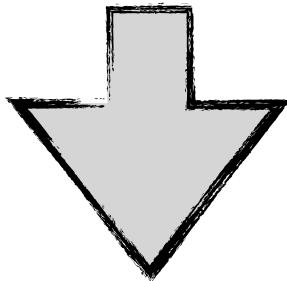
- Subnet mask: define a variable partition of the original host number part
- Subnets are not visible from the rest of the Internet

## Subnet Number = IP address & subnet mask

Class B address	Network number (16)	Host number (16)
Subnetted address	Network number (16)	Subnet ID (X) Host number (Y)
Subnet mask 255.25.255.0	11111111 11111111 11111111	00000000

# Routing Table

<b>Network Number</b>	<b>Forwarding Port (NextHop)</b>
128.1.0.0 (class B)	Port 1
128.2.0.0 (class B)	Port 2
2.0.0.0 (class A)	Port 3



<b>Subnet Number</b>	<b>Subnet mask</b>	<b>NextHop</b>
128.1.0.0 (class B)	255.255.128.0	Port 1
128.1.128.0 (class B)	255.255.128.0	Port 2
2.0.0.0 (class A)	255.255.255.0	Port 3

# Forwarding in a Router (Updated)

```
D = destination IP address
for each entry (SubnetNum, SubnetMask, NextHop)
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```
  D1 = SubnetMask & D
```

```
  if D1 = SubnetNum
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```
    if NextHop is an interface
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      deliver datagram directly to D
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```
    else
```

```
      deliver datagram to NextHop
```

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# Supernetting

**Key idea: aggregate multiple assigned addresses to a single address**

## **CIDR (Classless Inter-Domain Routing) address**

- Breaks rigid boundaries between address classes
- Slash notation - also called a “prefix”
- 128.211.168.0/21 for addresses 128.211.168.0 - 128.211.175.255
- /8, /16, /24 correspond to traditional class A, B, C categories

# Put Everything Together

**Network number can be any length, from 2 to 32 bits**

**Longest prefix match (LPM) is needed**

<b>Subnet Number</b>	<b>Prefix/Subnet mask</b>	<b>NextHop</b>
171.69.0.0	255.255.0.0	Port 1
171.69.128.0	255.255.255.0	Port 2

## Terminology

1. Host
2. NIC
3. Multi-port I/O bridge
4. Protocol
5. RTT
6. Packet
7. Header
8. Payload
9. BDP
10. Baud rate
11. Frame/Framing
12. Parity bit
13. Checksum
14. Ethernet
15. MAC
16. (L2) Switch
17. Broadcast
18. Acknowledgement
19. Timeout
20. Datagram
21. TTL
22. MTU
23. Best effort
24. (L3) Router
25. Subnet mask
26. CIDR

## Principle

1. Layering
2. Minimal States
3. Hierarchy

## Technique

1. NRZ Encoding
2. NRZI Encoding
3. Manchester Encoding
4. 4B/5B Encoding
5. Byte Stuffing
6. Byte Counting
7. Bit Stuffing
8. 2-D Parity
9. CRC
10. MAC Learning
11. Store-and-Forward
12. Cut-through
13. Spanning Tree
14. CSMA/CD
15. Stop-and-Wait
16. Sliding Window
16. Fragmentation and Reassembly
17. Path MTU discovery
18. DHCP
19. Subnetting
20. Supernetting
21. Longest prefix match

# Summary

## Today's takeaways

#1: IP addresses are hierarchical

#2: Subnet and Supernet enable arbitrary network numbers and improve the efficiency of IP address allocation

## Next lecture

- Distance vector routing