Solution of Exercise Sheet 4

Exercise 1 (Routers, Layer-3-Switches, Gateways)

1. What is the purpose of **Routers** in computer networks? (Also explain the difference to Layer-3-Switches.)

They forward packets between networks with different logical address ranges and provide a WAN interface.

2. What is the purpose of **Layer-3-Switches** in computer networks? (Also explain the difference to Routers.)

They are Routers too which means they forward packets between networks with different logical address ranges but they do not provide a WAN interface.

3. What is the purpose of **Gateways** in computer networks?

They enable communication between networks, which base on different protocols.

4. Why are **Gateways** in the network layer of computer networks seldom required nowadays?

Modern computer networks operate almost exclusively with the Internet Protocol (IP). For this reason, a protocol conversion at the Network Layer is mostly not required.

Exercise 2 (Collision Domain, Broadcast Domain)

1. Which devices **divide the collision domain**?

\Box Repeater	\boxtimes Bridge	\boxtimes Router
\Box Hub	\boxtimes Layer-2-Switch	\boxtimes Layer-3-Switch

2. Which devices divide the broadcast domain?

Repeater
Iub

□ Bridge □ Layer-2-Switch \boxtimes Router \boxtimes Layer-3-Switch

3. Sketch in the diagram all collision domains and all broadcast domains.



Exercise 3 (Addressing in the Network Layer)

- What is the meaning of Unicast in the network layer of computer networks?
 An IP address is assigned to a single receiver.
- What is the meaning of Broadcast in the network layer of computer networks? An IP address is assigned to all receivers in the subnet.
- 3. What is the meaning of **Anycast** in the network layer of computer networks? An IP address is used to reach a single device of a group of devices.
- 4. What is the meaning of Multicast in the network layer of computer networks? An IP address is assigned to a group of receivers.
- 5. Why contains the IPv4 address space only 4,294,967,296 addresses?

IPv4 addresses have a length of 32 bits (4 bytes). Thus, the address space contains $2^{32} = 4,294,967,296$ possible addresses.

6. Why was Classless Interdomain Routing (CIDR) introduced?

Because with address classes, many addresses are wasted and it is impossible to dynamically adjust address classes.

7. Describe in simple words the **functioning of CIDR**. Focus on the way, IP addresses are treated and subnets are created.

Since the introduction of CIDR, the address class of an IPv4 address is no longer important. All hosts in a network have a subnet mask assigned, which has a length of 32 bits (4 bytes) and is used to specify the number of subnets and hosts. The network mask splits the host ID of an IP address into subnet ID and host ID. 1-bits in the subnet mask indicate, which part of the address space is used for subnet IDs and 0-bits indicate, which part of the address space is used for host IDs.

Exercise 4 (Addressing in the Network Layer)

Calculate for each subtask of this exercise the **first and last host addresses**, the **network address** and the **broadcast address** of the subnet.

IP Address:	151.175.31.100	10010111.10101111.00011111.01100100
Subnet mask:	255.255.254.0	11111111.1111111.1111110.00000000
Part for host IDs:		x xxxxxxx
Network address?	151.175.30.0	10010111.10101111.00011110.00000000
First host address?	151.175.30.1	10010111.10101111.00011110.00000001
Last host address?	151.175.31.254	10010111.10101111.00011111.1111110
Broadcast address?	151.175.31.255	10010111.10101111.00011111.11111111
IP Address:	151.175.31.100	10010111.10101111.00011111.01100100
Subnet mask:	255.255.255.240	11111111.1111111.1111111.11110000
Part for host IDs:		XXXX
Network address?	151.175.31.96	10010111.10101111.00011111.01100000
First host address?	151.175.31.97	10010111.10101111.00011111.01100001
Last host address?	151.175.31.110	10010111.10101111.00011111.01101110
Broadcast address?	151.175.31.111	10010111.10101111.00011111.01101111
IP Address:	151.175.31.100	10010111.10101111.00011111.01100100
Subnet mask:	255.255.255.128	11111111.1111111.1111111.10000000
Part for host IDs:		XXXXXXX
Network address?	151.175.31.0	10010111.10101111.00011111.00000000
First host address?	151.175.31.1	10010111.10101111.00011111.00000001
Last host address?	151.175.31.126	10010111.10101111.00011111.01111110
Broadcast address?	151.175.31.127	10010111.10101111.00011111.01111111

binary representation	decimal representation	binary representation	decimal representation
1000000	128	11111000	248
11000000	192	11111100	252
11100000	224	11111110	254
11110000	240	11111111	255

Exercise 5 (Addressing in the Network Layer)

In each subtask of this exercise, a sender transmits an IP packet to a receiver. Calculate for each subtask the **subnet ID of sender and receiver** and specify whether the IP packet **leaves the subnet during transmission** or not.

201.20.222.13 Sender: 11001001.00010100.11011110.00001101 255.255.255.240 Subnet mask: 11111111.11111111.1111111.11110000 AND ------11001001.00010100.11011110.00000000 ~~~~ \Rightarrow Subnet ID = 0 Receiver: 11001001.00010100.11011110.00010001 201.20.222.17 Subnet mask: 11111111.11111111.11111111.11110000 255.255.255.240 AND ------11001001.00010100.11011110.00010000 => Subnet ID = 1 Subnet ID of sender? 0 Subnet ID of receiver? 1 Does the IP packet leave the subnet [yes/no]? yes Sender: 132.152.83.254 10000100.10011000.01010011.1111110 Subnet mask: 11111111.11111111.1111100.00000000 255.255.252.0 AND -----11000100.10011000.01010000.0000000 ~~~~~ => Subnet ID = 20 Receiver: 10000100.10011000.01010001.00000010 132.152.81.2 Subnet mask: 11111111.1111111.11111100.00000000 255.255.252.0 AND ------11000100.10011000.01010000.0000000 ~~~~~ \Rightarrow Subnet ID = 20 Subnet ID of sender? 20 Subnet ID of receiver? 20 Does the IP packet leave the subnet [yes/no]? no Sender: 00001111.11001000.01100011.00010111 15.200.99.23 Subnet mask: 11111111.11000000.0000000.00000000 255.192.0.0 AND ------00001111.11000000.00000000.0000000 => Subnet ID = 3 Receiver: 00001111.11101111.00000001.0000001 15.239.1.1 Subnet mask: 11111111.11000000.0000000.00000000 255.192.0.0 AND ------00001111.11000000.0000000.0000000 => Subnet ID = 3 Subnet ID of sender? 3 Subnet ID of receiver? 3 Does the IP packet leave the subnet [yes/no]? no

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Exercise 6 (Addressing in the Network Layer)

Calculate for each subtask of this exercise the **subnet masks** and answer the **questions**.

1. Split the class C network 195.1.31.0 for implementing 30 subnets.

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Network ID: 11000011.0000001.00011111.0000000 195.1.31.0
Number of bits for subnet IDs? 30 => 32 (= 2^5) => 5 bits
Subnet mask: 111111111111111111111111111000 255.255.255.248
Number of bits for host IDs? 3
Number of host IDs per subnet? 2^3 - 2 = 6
2. Split the class A network 15.0.0.0 for implementing 333 subnets.
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Network ID: 00001111.0000000.0000000.00000000 15.0.0.0
Number of bits for subnet IDs? 333 => 512 (= 2^9) => 9 bits
Subnet mask: 1111111.1111111.10000000.00000000 255.255.128.0
Number of bits for host IDs? 15
Number of host IDs per subnet? 2^{15} - 2 = 32766
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3. Split the class B network 189.23.0.0 for implementing 20 subnets.

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Network ID: 10111101.00010111.00000000.0000000 189.23.0.0
Number of bits for subnet IDs? 20 => 32 (= 2^5) => 5 bits
Subnet mask: 11111111111111111000.0000000 255.255.248.0
Number of bits for host IDs? 11
Number of host IDs per subnet? 2^{11} - 2 = 2046
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4. Split the class C network 195.3.128.0 into subnets, which contain 17 hosts each.

5. Split the class B network 129.15.0.0 into subnets, which contain 10 hosts each.

binary representation	decimal representation	binary representation	decimal representation
1000000	128	11111000	248
11000000	192	11111100	252
11100000	224	11111110	254
11110000	240	1111111	255

Exercise 7 (Collision Domain, Broadcast Domain)

1. Sketch in the diagram of the network topology all **collision domains** and all **broadcast domains**.



2. Sketch in the diagram of the network topology all **collision domains** and all **broadcast domains**.



Exercise 8 (Broadcast Domain)

- 1. Sketch in the diagram of the network topology all **broadcast domains**.
- 2. What is the **required number of subnets** for this network topology?



4 subnets are required because each port of a Router is connected to a different IP network. It is impossible to operate an IP subnet on multiple ports of a Router.

Exercise 9 (Private IP Address Spaces)

Name the three private IPv4 address spaces.

- 10.0.0/8
- 172.16.0.0/12
- 192.168.0.0/16

Exercise 10 (Addressing in the Network Layer)

Calculate for each network configuration in the table whether an IP packet, which is send from the given IP address to the destination address, **leaves the subnet during transmission** or not.

IP address	Subnet mask	Destination address	Leaves the subnet [yes/no]
201.20.222.13	255.255.255.240	201.20.222.17	yes
15.200.99.23	255.192.0.0	15.239.1.1	no
172.21.23.14	255.255.255.0	172.21.24.14	Private IPs are not routed
210.5.16.198	255.255.255.252	210.5.16.197	no
210.5.16.198	255.255.255.252	210.5.16.201	yes
5.5.5.5	255.254.0.0	5.6.6.6	yes

(A part of the solution is the calculations performed. Where no calculation is required, you need to give a reason for your answer. Answering the question with just "yes" or "no" is not sufficient!)

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	11001001.00010100.11011110.00001101	201.20.222.13
AND	11111111.1111111.1111111.11110000	255.255.255.240
	11001001.00010100.11011110.00000000) => 0 = subnet ID sender
AND	11001001.00010100.11011110.00010001 11111111	201.20.222.17 255.255.255.240
	11001001.00010100.11011110.00010000	=> 1 = subnet ID sender

Sender and receiver have different subnet $IDs \implies$ the subnet is left.

AND	00001111.11001000.01100011.00010111 1111111.11000000.0000000.00000000	15.200.99.23 255.192.0.0
	00001111.11000000.00000000.00000000	=> 3 = subnet ID sender
AND	00001111.11101111.00000001.0000001 1111111.11000000.0000000.0000000	15.239.1.1 255.192.0.0
	00001111.11000000.00000000.00000000	=> 3 = subnet ID sender

Sender and receiver have equal subnet $IDs \Longrightarrow$ the subnet is not left.

172.21.23.14 and 172.21.24.14 are private IP addresses \implies they are not forwarded by Routers.

AND	11010010.00000101.00010000 11111111.1111111.1111111	11000110 11111100	210.5.16.198 255.255.255.252
	11010010.00000101.00010000	11000100	=> 49 = subnet ID sender
AND	11010010.00000101.00010000 11111111.1111111.1111111	11000101	210.5.16.197 255.255.255.252
	11010010.00000101.00010000	11000101	=> 49 = subnet ID sender

Sender and receiver have equal subnet $IDs \implies$ the subnet is not left.

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	11010010.00000101.00010000.110	000110	210.5.16.198	
			255.255.255.252	
	11010010.00000101.00010000.110	000100	=> 49 = subnet ID	sender
AND	11010010.00000101.00010000.110)01001 11100	210.5.16.201 255.255.255.252	
	11010010.00000101.00010000.110	001000	=> 50 = subnet ID	receiver

Sender and receiver have different subnet $IDs \Longrightarrow$ the subnet is left.

AND	00000101.00000101.00000101.00000101 1111111.1111110.00000000	5.5.5.5 255.254.0.0
	00000101.00000100.00000000.0000000	=> 2 = subnet ID sender
AND	00000101.00000110.00000110.00000110 11111111	5.6.6.6 255.254.0.0
	00000101.00000110.00000000.00000000	=> 3 = subnet ID sender

Sender and receiver have different subnet $IDs \implies$ the subnet is left.

Exercise 11 (Addressing in the Network Layer)

Specify for each subtask of this exercise the correct **subnet mask**.

1. A maximum number of subnets with 5 hosts each in a class B network.

 $5 \text{ hosts} \implies 3 \text{ bit are required.}$ 11111111 11111111 11111000 255.255.255.248

2. 50 subnets with 999 hosts each in a class B network.

 $999 \text{ hosts} \implies 10 \text{ bit are required.}$ 11111111 1111111 1111100 00000000 255.255.252.0

3. 12 subnets with 12 hosts each in a class C network.

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Exercise 12 (Fragmenting IP Packets)

4,000 bytes payload need to be transmitted via the IP protocol. The payload must be fragmented, because it is transmitted over multiple physical networks, whose MTU is < 4,000 bytes. Display graphically the way, the payload is fragmented, and how many bytes of payload each fragment contains.



	LAN A	LAN B	LAN C	LAN D	LAN E
Network technology	Ethernet	PPPoE	ISDN	Ethernet	WLAN
MTU [bytes]	1,500	1,492	576	1,400	2,312
IP-Header [bytes]	20	20	20	20	20
maximum payload [bytes]	1,480	1,472	556	1,380	2,292

Display graphically the way, the payload is fragmented, and how many bytes of payload each fragment contains. Faculty of Computer Science and Engineering Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences



Exercise 13 (Forwarding and Path Calculation)

1. Which two major classes of **routing protocols** exist?

Distance Vector Routing Protocols and Link State Routing Protocols.

2. Which algorithms for best path calculation implement the routing protocol classes from subtask 1?

Distance Vector Routing Protocols implement the Bellman-Ford algorithm.

Link State Routing Protocols implement the Dijkstra algorithm.

3. What is an **autonomous system**?

Each AS consists of a group of logical networks, which use the Internet Protocol, are operated and managed by the same organization (e.g. an Internet Service Provider, a corporation or university) and use the same routing protocol.

4. The Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is a protocol for...

 \Box Intra-AS routing \Box Inter-AS routing

5. Which routing protocol class from subtask 1 implements the BGP?

None. It implements path-vector routing, which has some similarities with distance-vector-routing.

6. **Open Shortest Path First** (OSPF) is a protocol for...

 \boxtimes Intra-AS routing \square Inter-AS routing

7. Which routing protocol class from subtask 1 implements OSPF?

Link state routing.

8. The Routing Information Protocol (RIP) is a protocol for...

 \boxtimes Intra-AS routing \square Inter-AS routing

9. Which routing protocol class from subtask 1 implements the RIP?

Distance vector routing.

10. When RIP is used, each Router communicates only with its **direct neighbors**. What are the **advantages** and **drawbacks** of method?

Advantage: The network is not flooded \implies protocol causes little overhead.

Drawback: Long convergence time because updates propagate slowly.

11. When RIP is used, the path cost (metric) depend only on the number of Routers (**hops**), which need to be passed on the way to the destination network. What is the **drawback** of this method?

The metric hop count often results in routes, which are not optimal, because all network segments have an equal weight.

12. When OSPF is used, **all Routers** communicate with each other. What are the **advantages** and **drawbacks** of method?

Advantage: Short convergence time.

Drawback: The network is flooded \implies protocol causes strong overhead.

Exercise 14 (Dijkstra's Algorithm)

1. Calculate the shortest path from node A to all other nodes using Dijkstra's algorithm.

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	Distance values							
	Initial	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5		
d_A	$0 \leftarrow \min$	$\underline{0}$ \checkmark	0 🗸	0 🗸	0 🗸	0 🗸		
d_B	∞	$2 \leftarrow \min$	$\underline{2}$ \checkmark	2 🗸	2 🗸	2 🗸		
d_C	∞	2	$2 \leftarrow \min$	$\underline{2}$ \checkmark	$\underline{2}$ \checkmark	$\underline{2}$ \checkmark		
d_D	∞	3	3	$3 \leftarrow \min$	$\underline{3}$ \checkmark	$\underline{3}$ \checkmark		
d_E	∞	∞	3	3	$3 \leftarrow \min$	$\underline{3}$ \checkmark		
d_F	∞	∞	102	12	7	$5 \leftarrow \min$		

The active node is underlined.

Nodes visited = $\{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$

Shortest paths = {A, A \longrightarrow B, A \longrightarrow C, A \longrightarrow D, B \longrightarrow E, E \longrightarrow F}

2. Calculate the shortest path from node A to all other nodes using Dijkstra's algorithm.



	Distance values							
	Initial	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5		
d_A	$0 \gets \min$	$\underline{0}$ \checkmark	0 🗸	0 🗸	0 🗸	0 🗸		
d_B	∞	$3 \leftarrow \min$	$\underline{3}$ \checkmark	3 🗸	3 √	3 √		
d_C	∞	5	$4 \leftarrow \min$	$\underline{4}$ \checkmark	$4\checkmark$	4 🗸		
d_D	∞	∞	11	11	$9 \leftarrow \min$	<u>9</u> ✓		
d_E	∞	∞	7	$7 \leftarrow \min$	$\overline{2}$	7 🗸		
d_F	∞	∞	∞	∞	11	$10 \leftarrow \min$		

The active node is underlined.

Nodes visited = $\{A, B, C, E, D, F\}$

Shortest paths = {A, A \longrightarrow B, B \longrightarrow C, B \longrightarrow E, E \longrightarrow D, D \longrightarrow F}

Exercise 15 (Internet Control Message Protocol)

1. Explain the purpose of the Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP).

It is used for the exchange of diagnostic and control messages, as well as error messages.

2. Give two examples for command line tools, which use ICMP.

ping, tranceroute

Exercise 16 (IPv6)

- 1. Simplify these IPv6 addresses:
 - 1080:0000:0000:0000:0007:0700:0003:316b
 Solution: 1080::7:700:3:316b
 - 2001:0db8:0000:0000:f065:00ff:0000:03ec
 Solution: 2001:db8::f065:ff:0:3ec
 - 2001:0db8:3c4d:0016:0000:0000:2a3f:2a4d
 Solution: 2001:db8:3c4d:16::2a3f:2a4d
 - 2001:0c60:f0a1:0000:0000:0000:0000
 Solution: 2001:c60:f0a1::1
 - 2111:00ab:0000:0004:0000:0000:0000:1234
 Solution: 2111:ab:0:4::1234
- 2. Provide all positions of these simplified IPv6 addresses:
 - 2001::2:0:0:1

• 2001:db8:0:c::1c

Solution: 2001:0db8:0000:000c:0000:0000:0000:001c

• 1080::9956:0:0:234

Solution: 1080:0000:0000:9956:0000:0000:0234

- 2001:638:208:ef34::91ff:0:5424
 Solution: 2001:0638:0208:ef34:0000:91ff:0000:5424
- 2001:0:85a4::4a1e:370:7112
 Solution: 2001:0000:85a4:0000:0000:4a1e:0370:7112