CS168 Fall 2014 Discussion 4

IP Addressing, IP Fragmentation, IPv4/IPv6... basically IP

Q0 - Warm Up

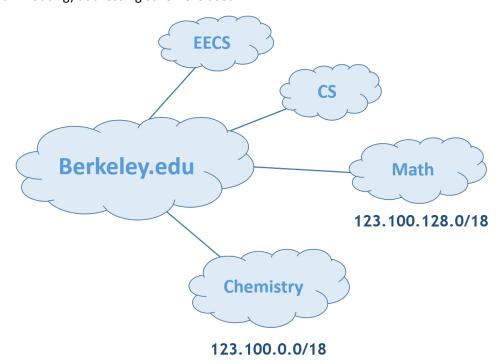
Find the binary representation, subnet mask, and address range of 192.168.0.0/13.

Which of the following addresses are part of this subnet?

123.100.0.5 192.128.69.5 192.168.244.8 192.175.100.0 192.176.3.4

Q1 - IP Addressing

Berkeley.edu is the Provider AS for EECS, CS, Math, and Chemistry. Assume that the CIDR (Classless InterDomain Routing) addressing scheme is used.



Q2 - IPv4

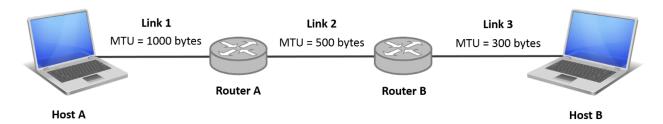
The following is the structure of an IP header, taken directly from your textbook.

32 bits				
Version	Header length	Type of service	Datagram length (bytes)	
16-bit Identifier			Flags	13-bit Fragmentation offset
Time-to-live		Upper-layer protocol	Header checksum	
32-bit Source IP address				
32-bit Destination IP address				
Options (if any)				
Data				

- a) Which header fields must be updated before the router sends out a packet?
- b) Suppose there is a bug in the IP router such that it no longer updates the time-to-live field. What problems might this cause?
- c) Suppose vendor A designs its routers such that it no longer updates the checksum. Its rationale is that end points commonly compute their own checksum anyway. What problems might this cause?
- d) To accelerate packet forwarding, vendor A decides to always parse the last 4 bytes of the header for the destination address. What problems might this cause?

Q3 - IP Fragmentation

Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) is the size of the largest packet that a link can carry. Host A sends an **600 byte** IP packet (including header) to Host B, which is fragmented along the way. Assume the typical IP header length of 20 bytes.



Recall that fragmentation flags occupy 3-bits in the format of R|DF|MF, which means < reserved, don't fragment, and more fragments coming >. Fragmentation offsets are in terms of 8-byte units.

a) The packet fits within the MTU of Link 1 and arrives at Router A. What are the resulting fragments that traverse Link 2? For each fragment, identify the total length (including header), flags, and offset.

b) The fragments arrive at Router B. What are the resulting fragments that traverse Link 3?

- c) Why is the MF flag needed?
- d) Why can't we just number our fragments instead of keeping track of fragmentation offsets?
- f) IP fragmentation is removed altogether in IPv6. Why might this be?