

Ethernet Cables

- 4 twisted pairs of copper wire
 - Different twist lengths reduces interference
 - Full duplex: different pairs for each direction
 - Colour coding: Green, Blue, Orange, Brown
 - RJ 45 connectors
- Straight through
 - Ordering of pairs same at both connectors
 - Used for: station to switch
- Cross over
 - Ordering of pairs reversed at connectors
 - User for: station to station (*station = host or router*)

Task 1: Build Two LANs

- In group of 4 computers, build two LANs:
 - LAN1: switched LAN, with 3 computers
 - LAN2: point-to-point LAN with 2 computers
- Setup each LAN:
 - Select and install cables and devices
 - Set IP addresses
- Test each LAN:
 - ping, web browsing
- Record the LAN design:
 - Draw picture of the LANs, labelling IP addresses & cable types
 - Write down the commands used

Setting IP Address

- You can set IP address on an interface to any value you like

```
ifconfig interface ipaddress netmask subnet up
```

- You must make sure address is valid for the network
 - Correct subnet, not a duplicate
- Turning interface off (down) or on (up):

```
ifconfig interface down
```

```
ifconfig interface up
```

Task 1: IP Addressing Requirements

- Switched LAN: subnet mask 255.255.0.0
- Point-to-point LAN: 255.255.255.0
- Computers 1 – 4: 11.11.0.0, 12.12.12.0
- Computers 6 – 9: 13.13.0.0, 14.14.14.0
- Computers 11 – 14: 21.21.0.0, 22.22.22.0
- Computers 15 – 18: 23.23.0.0, 24.24.24.0
- Computers 19 – 22: 31.31.0.0, 32.32.32.0
- Computers 24 – 27: 33.33.0.0, 34.34.34.0
- Computers 28 – 31: 41.41.0.0, 42.42.42.0
- Computers 33 – 36: 43.43.0.0, 44.44.44.0

Internetworking

- An **internet** is formed by connecting multiple subnetworks (LANs, WANs) together
- Devices connecting subnets are called **routers** (or gateways)
- Internet Protocol (IP) used to allow delivery of data across an internet
- Routers **forward** IP datagrams from one subnet to another
- Hosts *never* forward IP datagrams

IP Hosts vs IP Routers

	Hosts	Routers
Forward IP datagrams?	No	Yes
Source of IP datagrams?	Yes	Yes (for managing network)
Destination of IP datagrams?	Yes	Yes (for managing network)
Number of interfaces available	1 or more	Usually 2 or more
Number of interfaces used at a time	Usually 1	Usually 2 or more

Often routers are dedicated hardware devices, built for fast forwarding of datagrams

IP Forwarding

- Forwarding is the process of sending a received IP datagram to the next device in the path
- Most operating systems support forwarding of IP datagrams

- Linux: forwarding is disabled by default (host)

```
sysctl net.ipv4.ip_forward
```

- 0 = forwarding disabled (host)
- 1 = forwarding enabled (router)

- Turn your Linux computer from host to router:

```
sudo sysctl net.ipv4.ip_forward=1
```

IP Routing

- Routing is the process of finding/setting the path through an internet
- Routing tables store next the path information

Destination Network (and Mask)	Next Router
1.1.1.0 (255.255.255.0)	3.3.3.1
2.2.0.0 (255.255.0.0)	0.0.0.0
0.0.0.0 (0.0.0.0)	4.4.4.1

Special value: there is no next router; the destination is on the current network; send direct



Special value: any destination network, i.e. default route

Routing Table in Linux

- View the routing table:

```
route -n
```

- Add a row to routing table:

```
route add -net d.d.d.d netmask m.m.m.m  
gw r.r.r.r dev interface
```

- Delete a row from routing table:

- Same as above but replace “add” with “del”

Task 3: Build a bigger internet

- Connect your router to another groups router to create an internet with 5 subnets

Task 2: Build an internet

- Connect your two LANs from task 1 together to form an internet
- Make the common computer into a router
 - Enable forwarding
- View the routing tables on all computers (hosts and router)
- Add routes (if necessary)
- Test the internet with ping and web browsing
- Record the internet design