Packet Tracer Lab Working with the Application Layer: DHCP, DNS, and HTTP



Figure 1: This is an example of what your final topology should look like.

Experiment Procedure:

1. Start Packet Tracer using **Realtime** mode.

2. Configuring the DHCP Server

Add a server.

Global Settings of DHCP server:

- Change the Display Name to "DHCP Server"
- Set the Gateway to **172.16.0.1**
- FastEthernet:
 - Set the IP address to **172.16.0.10**
 - Set the Subnet Mask to **255.255.0.0**
- HTTP:
- Set HTTP Service and HTTPS Service to **Off** DHCP:
 - Set the Default Gateway to **172.16.0.1**
 - Set the DNS Server to **172.16.0.11**
 - Set the Start IP Address to 172.16.0.100

DNS:

• Set the Service to **Off**

2. Configuring the DNS Server

Add a server.

Global Settings:

- Change the Display Name to "DNS Server"
- Set the Gateway to **172.16.0.1**

FastEthernet:

- Set the IP address to **172.16.0.11**
- Set the Subnet Mask to 255.255.0.0

HTTP:

• Set HTTP Service and HTTPS Service to **Off**

DHCP:

• Set the Service to **Off**

DNS:

- Entering the www.tsrb.edu Domain Name
 - Enter for the Domain Name www.tsrb.edu
 - Enter for IP Address **172.16.0.20**
 - Click Add
- Entering the www.internal.com Domain Name
 - Enter for the Domain Name **www.internal.com**
 - Enter for IP Address **172.16.0.30**
 - o Click Add
- 3. Configuring the www.tsrb.edu Web Server

Add a server.

Global Settings:

- Change the Display Name to "Web Server: www.tsrb.edu"
- Set the Gateway to **172.16.0.1**

FastEthernet:

- Set the IP address to **172.16.0.20**
- Set the Subnet Mask to **255.255.0.0**

DHCP:

• Set the Service to **Off**

DNS:

• Set the Service to **Off**

HTTP

- Change the sentence, "<hr>Welcome to Packet Tracer 5.0, the best thing since..... Packet Tracer 4.0." to "<hr>Welcome to Tsrb's public web page!" You may add other information as well.
- 4. Configuring the www.internal.com Web Server

Add a server. Global Settings:

- Change the Display Name to "Web Server: www.internal.com"
- Set the Gateway to **172.16.0.1**

FastEthernet:

- Set the IP address to **172.16.0.30**
- Set the Subnet Mask to 255.255.0.0

DHCP:

• Set the Service to **Off**

DNS:

• Set the Service to **Off**

HTTP

- Change the sentence, "<hr>Welcome to Cisco Packet Tracer. Opening doors to new opportunities. Mind Wide Open to "<hr> This is the corporate internal network!" You may add other information as well.
- 5. Configure Two Client Computers using DHCP

Add two client computers.

Global Settings:

- Change the Display Names to "**Dynamic 1**" and to "**Dynamic 2**" respectively
- Set the Gateway/DNS to **DHCP**

FastEthernet:

- Set the IP Configuration to **DHCP**
- 6. Configure One Client Computers using Static IP Addressing

Add two client computers.

Global Settings:

- Change the Display Name to "Static"
- Set the Gateway/DNS to **Static**
 - Set Gateway to **172.16.0.1**
 - Set the DNS Server to **172.16.0.11**

FastEthernet:

- Be sure the configuration is set to **Static**
- Set the IP address to **172.16.0.90**
- Set the Subnet Mask to 255.255.0.0

7. Adding switches

- Add two switches.
- Connect the servers to one switch using a straight-through cable.
- Connect the client computers to the other switch using a straight-through cable.
- Interconnect the two switches using a crossover cable.

8. Verify connectivity

• Ping (ICMP)

- From a client computer use the Desktop Command prompt to ping the other client computers and the servers.
- Example: From the Dynamic 1 client, C> ping 172.16.0.20
- The first one or two pings may fail, but you should receive a reply on the later pings. This is due to the ping timing out while the ARP process takes place (later).
- Web Browser (HTTP)
 - On the client computers use the Desktop Web Browser, enter the URLs of the Web Servers www.tsrb.edu and www.internal.com.
 - \circ You should see the web pages that you created on these servers.

9. Using Simulation Mode

Click on Simulation.

Note: To reset a simulation, click on "Reset Simulation"

Click on Edit Filters

- Choose **Show All/None** so that all the boxes (protocols) are unchecked.
- Select (check) the following protocols: DHCP, ICMP, HTTP, DNS.

Check the Web Browser (HTTP)

- On the client computers use the Desktop Web Browser, enter the URLs of the Web Servers www.tsrb.edu or www.internal.com.
- Click on Auto Capture/Play (automatically forwards the packets) or Capture Forward (must keep clicking to advance the packets)

Check the DHCP

- Reset the simulation by clicking on "Reset Simulation"
- To view DHCP, on one of the "Dynamic "client computers using DHCP go to the Desktop Command prompt.
- To have the client computer ask for new IP address and other information from the DHCP server, enter the command: C> **ipconfig** /**renew**

Questions (put the answer in your report)

- 1. Repeat the experiment by putting router between the switch and the DNS and Web server as shown in figure 2.
- 2. Explain the job of DNS server.
- 3. Explain the job of the router in figure 2.



Figure 2

4.