APPENDIX F

Practice for Chapter 14: Analyzing Existing Subnets

Practice Problems

This appendix lists practice problems related to Chapter 14, "Analyzing Existing Subnets." Each problem asks you to find a variety of information about the subnet in which an IP address resides. Each problem supplies an IP address and a subnet mask, from which you should find the following information:

- Subnet number
- Subnet broadcast address
- Range of valid IP addresses in this network

To find these facts, you can use any of the processes explained in Chapter 14 of the *Cisco CCENT/CCNA ICND1 100-101 Official Cert Guide*.

Additionally, these same problems can be used to review the concepts in Chapter 13, "Analyzing Subnet Masks." To use these same problems for practice related to Chapter 13, simply find the following information for each of the problems:

- Size of the network part of the address
- Size of the subnet part of the address
- Size of the host part of the address
- Number of hosts per subnet
- Number of subnets in this network

Feel free to either ignore or use the opportunity for more practice related to analyzing subnet masks.

Solve for the following problems:

1. 10.180.10.18, mask 255.192.0.0
2. 10.200.10.18, mask 255.224.0.0
3. 10.100.18.18, mask 255.240.0.0
4. 10.100.18.18, mask 255.248.0.0
5. 10.150.200.200, mask 255.252.0.0
6. 10.150.200.200, mask 255.254.0.0
7. 10.220.100.18, mask 255.255.0.0
8. 10.220.100.18, mask 255.255.128.0
9. 172.31.100.100, mask 255.255.192.0

10. 172.31.100.100, mask 255.255.224.0
11. 172.31.200.10, mask 255.255.240.0
12. 172.31.200.10, mask 255.255.248.0
13. 172.31.50.50, mask 255.255.252.0
14. 172.31.50.50, mask 255.255.254.0
15. 172.31.140.14, mask 255.255.255.0
16. 172.31.140.14, mask 255.255.255.128
17. 192.168.15.150, mask 255.255.255.192
18. 192.168.15.150, mask 255.255.255.224
19. 192.168.100.100, mask 255.255.255.240
20. 192.168.100.100, mask 255.255.255.248
21. 192.168.15.230, mask 255.255.255.252
22. 10.1.1.1, mask 255.248.0.0
23. 172.16.1.200, mask 255.255.240.0
24. 172.16.0.200, mask 255.255.255.192
25. 10.1.1.1, mask 255.0.0.0

Answers

This section includes the answers to the 25 problems listed in this appendix. The answer section for each problem explains how to use the process outlined in Chapter 14 to find the answers. Also, refer to Chapter 13 for details on how to find information about analyzing the subnet mask.

Answer to Problem 1

The answers begin with the analysis of the three parts of the address, the number of hosts per subnet, and the number of subnets of this network using the stated mask, as outlined in Table F-1. The binary math for subnet and broadcast address calculation follows. The answer finishes with the easier mental calculations for the range of IP addresses in the subnet.

Table F-1 Question 1: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.180.10.18	—
Mask	255.192.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	22	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	2	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^2 = 4$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{22} – 2 = 4{,}194{,}302$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-2 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-2 Question 1: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.180.10.18	00001010 10**110100 00001010 00010010**
Mask	255.192.0.0	11111111 11**000000 00000000 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	10.128.0.0	00001010 10**000000 00000000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.191.255.255	00001010 10**111111 11111111 11111111**

To get the first valid IP address, just add 1 to the subnet number; to get the last valid IP address, just subtract 1 from the broadcast address. In this case:

10.128.0.1 through 10.191.255.254

10.128.0.0 + 1 = 10.128.0.1

10.191.255.255 – 1 = 10.191.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. The key parts of the process are as follows:

- The interesting octet is the octet for which the mask's value is not a decimal 0 or 255.
- The magic number is calculated as the value of the IP address's interesting octet, subtracted from 256.
- The subnet number can be found by copying the IP address octets to the left of the interesting octet, by writing down 0s for octets to the right of the interesting octet, and by finding the multiple of the magic number closest to, but not larger than, the IP address's value in that same octet.
- The broadcast address can be similarly found by coping the subnet number's octets to the left of the interesting octet, by writing 255s for octets to the right of the interesting octet, and by taking the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, adding the magic number, and subtracting 1.

Table F-3 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table. Refer to Chapter 14 for the detailed processes.

Table F-3 Question 1: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Decimal Process

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4	Comments
Mask	255	192	0	0	
Address	10	180	10	18	
Subnet Number	10	128	0	0	Magic number = 256 – 192 = 64
First Address	10	128	0	1	Add 1 to last octet of subnet
Last Address	10	191	255	254	Subtract 1 from last octet of broadcast
Broadcast	10	191	255	255	128 + 64 – 1 = 191

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The second octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 192 = 64 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 128 is the multiple of 64 that is closest to 180 but not higher than 180. So, the second octet of the subnet number is 128.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 128 + 64 – 1 = 191.

Answer to Problem 2

Table F-4 Question 2: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.200.10.18	—
Mask	255.224.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	21	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	3	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^3 = 8$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{21} – 2 = 2{,}097{,}150$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-5 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-5 Question 2: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.200.10.18	00001010 110**01000 00001010 00010010**
Mask	255.224.0.0	11111111 111**00000 00000000 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	10.192.0.0	00001010 110**00000 00000000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.223.255.255	00001010 110**11111 11111111 11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.192.0.1 through 10.223.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-6 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-6 Question 2: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4	Comments
Mask	255	224	0	0	
Address	10	200	10	18	
Subnet Number	10	192	0	0	Magic number = 256 – 224 = 32
First Address	10	192	0	1	Add 1 to last octet of subnet
Last Address	10	223	255	254	Subtract 1 from last octet of broadcast
Broadcast	10	223	255	255	192 + 32 – 1 = 223

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The second octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 224 = 32 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 192 is the multiple of 32 that is closest to 200 but not higher than 200. So, the second octet of the subnet number is 192.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 192 + 32 – 1 = 223.

Answer to Problem 3

Table F-7 Question 3: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.100.18.18	—
Mask	255.240.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	20	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	4	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^4 = 16$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{20} - 2 = 1{,}048{,}574$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} - 2$

Table F-8 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-8 Question 3: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.100.18.18	`00001010 0110`**`0100 00010010 00010010`**
Mask	255.240.0.0	`11111111 1111`**`0000 00000000 00000000`**
AND result (subnet number)	10.96.0.0	`00001010 0110`**`0000 00000000 00000000`**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.111.255.255	`00001010 0110`**`1111 11111111 11111111`**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.96.0.1 through 10.111.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-9 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-9 Question 3: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4	Comments
Mask	255	240	0	0	—
Address	10	100	18	18	—
Subnet Number	10	96	0	0	Magic number = 256 – 240 = 16
First Address	10	96	0	1	Add 1 to last octet of subnet
Last Address	10	111	255	254	Subtract 1 from last octet of broadcast
Broadcast	10	111	255	255	96 + 16 – 1 = 111

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The second octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 240 = 16 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 96 is the multiple of 16 that is closest to 100 but not higher than 100. So, the second octet of the subnet number is 96.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 96 + 16 – 1 = 111.

Answer to Problem 4

Table F-10 Question 4: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.100.18.18	—
Mask	255.248.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	19	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	5	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^5 = 32$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{19} – 2 = 524{,}286$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

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Table F-11 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-11 Question 4: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.100.18.18	00001010 01100**100 00010010 00010010**
Mask	255.248.0.0	11111111 11111**000 00000000 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	10.96.0.0	00001010 01100**000 00000000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.103.255.255	00001010 01100**111 11111111 11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.96.0.1 through 10.103.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-12 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-12 Question 4: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4	Comments
Mask	255	248	0	0	—
Address	10	100	18	18	—
Subnet Number	10	96	0	0	Magic number = 256 – 248 = 8
First Address	10	96	0	1	Add 1 to last octet of subnet
Last Address	10	103	255	254	Subtract 1 from last octet of broadcast
Broadcast	10	103	255	255	96 + 8 – 1 = 103

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The second octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 248 = 8 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 96 is the multiple of 8 that is closest to 100 but not higher than 100. So, the second octet of the subnet number is 96.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 96 + 8 – 1 = 103.

Answer to Problem 5

Table F-13 Question 5: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.150.200.200	—
Mask	255.252.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	18	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	6	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^6 = 64$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{18} – 2 = 262{,}142$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-14 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-14 Question 5: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.150.200.200	`00001010 10010110 11001000 11001000`
Mask	255.252.0.0	`11111111 11111100 00000000 00000000`
AND result (subnet number)	10.148.0.0	`00001010 10010100 00000000 00000000`
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.151.255.255	`00001010 10010111 11111111 11111111`

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.148.0.1 through 10.151.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-15 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

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Table F-15 Question 5: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4	Comments
Mask	255	252	0	0	—
Address	10	150	200	200	—
Subnet Number	10	148	0	0	Magic number = 256 – 252 = 4
First Address	10	148	0	1	Add 1 to last octet of subnet
Last Address	10	151	255	254	Subtract 1 from last octet of broadcast
Broadcast	10	151	255	255	148 + 4 – 1 = 151

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The second octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 252 = 4 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 148 is the multiple of 4 that is closest to 150 but not higher than 150. So, the second octet of the subnet number is 148.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 148 + 4 – 1 = 151.

Answer to Problem 6

Table F-16 Question 6: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.150.200.200	—
Mask	255.254.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	17	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	7	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^7 = 128$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{17} – 2 = 131{,}070$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-17 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-17 Question 6: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.150.200.200	`00001010 10010110 11001000 11001000`
Mask	255.254.0.0	`11111111 11111110 00000000 00000000`
AND result (subnet number)	10.150.0.0	`00001010 10010110 00000000 00000000`
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.151.255.255	`00001010 10010111 11111111 11111111`

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.150.0.1 through 10.151.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-18 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-18 Question 6: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	254	0	0
Address	10	150	200	200
Subnet Number	10	150	0	0
First Valid Address	10	150	0	1
Last Valid Address	10	151	255	254
Broadcast	10	151	255	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The second octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 254 = 2 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 150 is the multiple of 2 that is closest to 150 but not higher than 150. So, the second octet of the subnet number is 150.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 150 + 2 – 1 = 151.

Answer to Problem 7

Table F-19 Question 7: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.220.100.18	—
Mask	255.255.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	16	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	8	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^8 = 256$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{16} – 2 = 65{,}534$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-20 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-20 Question 7: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.220.100.18	`00001010 11011100 01100100 00010010`
Mask	255.255.0.0	`11111111 11111111 00000000 00000000`
AND result (subnet number)	10.220.0.0	`00001010 11011100 00000000 00000000`
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.220.255.255	`00001010 11011100 11111111 11111111`

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.220.0.1 through 10.220.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-21 shows the work for this problem.

Table F-21 Question 7: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	0	0
Address	10	220	100	18
Subnet Number	10	220	0	0
First Valid Address	10	220	0	1
Last Valid Address	10	220	255	254
Broadcast	10	220	255	255

This subnetting scheme uses an easy mask because all the octets are a 0 or a 255. No math tricks are needed.

Answer to Problem 8

Table F-22 Question 8: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.220.100.18	—
Mask	255.255.128.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	15	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	9	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^9 = 510$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{15} – 2 = 32{,}766$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

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Table F-23 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-23 Question 8: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.220.100.18	`00001010 11011100 0`**`1100100 00010010`**
Mask	255.255.128.0	`11111111 11111111 1`**`0000000 00000000`**
AND result (subnet number)	10.220.0.0	`00001010 11011100 0`**`0000000 00000000`**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.220.127.255	`00001010 11011100 0`**`1111111 11111111`**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.220.0.1 through 10.220.127.254

Table F-24 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table. Refer to Chapter 18, "Configuring and Verifying Host Connectivity," for the detailed processes.

Table F-24 Question 8: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	128	0
Address	10	220	100	18
Subnet Number	10	220	0	0
First Address	10	220	0	1
Last Address	10	220	127	254
Broadcast	10	220	127	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 128 = 128 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 0 is the multiple of 128 that is closest to 100 but not higher than 100. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 0.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 0 + 128 – 1 = 127.

This example tends to confuse people, because a mask with 128 in it gives you subnet numbers that just do not seem to look right. Table F-25 gives you the answers for the first several subnets, just to make sure that you are clear about the subnets when using this mask with a Class A network.

Table F-25 Question 8: First Four Subnets

	Zero Subnet	2nd Subnet	3rd Subnet	4th Subnet
Subnet	10.0.0.0	10.0.128.0	10.1.0.0	10.1.128.0
First Address	10.0.0.1	10.0.128.1	10.1.0.1	10.1.128.1
Last Address	10.0.127.254	10.0.255.254	10.1.127.254	10.1.255.254
Broadcast	10.0.127.255	10.0.255.255	10.1.127.255	10.1.255.255

Answer to Problem 9

Table F-26 Question 9: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.100.100	—
Mask	255.255.192.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	14	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	2	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^2 = 4$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{14} - 2 = 16{,}382$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} - 2$

Table F-27 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-27 Question 9: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.100.100	`10101100 00011111 01`**`100100 01100100`**
Mask	255.255.192.0	`11111111 11111111 11`**`000000 00000000`**
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.64.0	`10101100 00011111 01`**`000000 00000000`**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.127.255	`10101100 00011111 01`**`111111 11111111`**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.64.1 through 172.31.127.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-28 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

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Table F-28 Question 9: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	192	0
Address	172	31	100	100
Subnet Number	172	31	64	0
First Valid Address	172	31	64	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	127	254
Broadcast	172	31	127	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 192 = 64 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 64 is the multiple of 64 that is closest to 100 but not higher than 100. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 64.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 64 + 64 – 1 = 127.

Answer to Problem 10

Table F-29 Question 10: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.100.100	—
Mask	255.255.224.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	13	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	3	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^3 = 8$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{13} – 2 = 8190$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-30 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-30 Question 10: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.100.100	10101100 00011111 011**00100 01100100**
Mask	255.255.224.0	11111111 11111111 111**00000 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.96.0	10101100 00011111 011**00000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.127.255	10101100 00011111 011**11111 11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.96.1 through 172.31.127.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-31 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-31 Question 10: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	224	0
Address	172	31	100	100
Subnet Number	172	31	96	0
First Valid Address	172	31	96	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	127	254
Broadcast	172	31	127	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 224 = 32 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 96 is the multiple of 32 that is closest to 100 but not higher than 100. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 96.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky parts, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 96 + 32 – 1 = 127.

Answer to Problem 11

Table F-32 Question 11: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.200.10	—
Mask	255.255.240.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	12	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	4	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^4 = 16$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{12} - 2 = 4094$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} - 2$

Table F-33 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-33 Question 11: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.200.10	`10101100 00011111 1100`**`1000 00001010`**
Mask	255.255.240.0	`11111111 11111111 1111`**`0000 00000000`**
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.192.0	`10101100 00011111 1100`**`0000 00000000`**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.207.255	`10101100 00011111 1100`**`1111 11111111`**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.192.1 through 172.31.207.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-34 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-34 Question 11: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	240	0
Address	172	31	200	10
Subnet Number	172	31	192	0
First Valid Address	172	31	192	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	207	254
Broadcast	172	31	207	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 240 = 16 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 192 is the multiple of 16 that is closest to 200 but not higher than 200. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 192.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 192 + 16 – 1 = 207.

Answer to Problem 12

Table F-35 Question 12: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.200.10	—
Mask	255.255.248.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	11	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	5	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^5 = 32$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{11} – 2 = 2046$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

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Table F-36 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-36 Question 12: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.200.10	10101100 00011111 11001**000 00001010**
Mask	255.255.248.0	11111111 11111111 11111**000 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.200.0	10101100 00011111 11001**000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.207.255	10101100 00011111 11001**111 11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.200.1 through 172.31.207.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-37 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-37 Question 12: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	248	0
Address	172	31	200	10
Subnet Number	172	31	200	0
First Valid Address	172	31	200	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	207	254
Broadcast	172	31	207	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 248 = 8 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 200 is the multiple of 8 that is closest to 200 but not higher than 200. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 200.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 200 + 8 – 1 = 207.

Answer to Problem 13

Table F-38 Question 13: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.50.50	—
Mask	255.255.252.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	10	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	6	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^6 = 64$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{10} – 2 = 1022$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-39 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-39 Question 13: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.50.50	10101100 00011111 00110**10 00110010**
Mask	255.255.252.0	11111111 11111111 11111**100 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.48.0	10101100 00011111 00110**000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.51.255	10101100 00011111 00110**011 11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.48.1 through 172.31.51.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-40 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-40 Question 13: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	252	0
Address	172	31	50	50
Subnet Number	172	31	48	0
First Valid Address	172	31	48	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	51	254
Broadcast	172	31	51	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 252 = 4 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 48 is the multiple of 4 that is closest to 50 but not higher than 50. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 48.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 48 + 4 – 1 = 51.

Answer to Problem 14

Table F-41 Question 14: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.50.50	—
Mask	255.255.254.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	9	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	7	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^7 = 128$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^9 – 2 = 510$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-42 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-42 Question 14: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.50.50	10101100 00011111 00110010 **00110010**
Mask	255.255.254.0	11111111 11111111 11111110 00000000
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.50.0	10101100 00011111 00110010 **00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.51.255	10101100 00011111 00110011 **11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.50.1 through 172.31.51.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-43 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-43 Question 14: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	254	0
Address	172	31	50	50
Subnet Number	172	31	50	0
First Valid Address	172	31	50	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	51	254
Broadcast	172	31	51	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 254 = 2 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 50 is the multiple of 2 that is closest to 50 but not higher than 50. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 50.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 50 + 2 – 1 = 51.

Answer to Problem 15

Table F-44 Question 15: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.140.14	—
Mask	255.255.255.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	8	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	8	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^8 = 256$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^8 – 2 = 254$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-45 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-45 Question 15: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.140.14	10101100 00011111 10001100 **00001110**
Mask	255.255.255.0	11111111 11111111 11111111 **00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.140.0	10101100 00011111 10001100 **00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.140.255	10101100 00011111 10001100 **11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.140.1 through 172.31.140.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-46 shows the work for this problem.

Table F-46 Question 15: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	0
Address	172	31	140	14
Subnet Number	172	31	140	0
First Valid Address	172	31	140	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	140	254
Broadcast	172	31	140	255

This subnetting scheme uses an easy mask because all the octets are a 0 or a 255. No math tricks are needed.

Answer to Problem 16

Table F-47 Question 16: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.31.140.14	—
Mask	255.255.255.128	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	7	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	9	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^9 = 512$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^7 - 2 = 126$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} - 2$

Table F-48 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-48 Question 16: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.31.140.14	10101100 00011111 10001100 0**0001110**
Mask	255.255.255.128	11111111 11111111 11111111 1**0000000**
AND result (subnet number)	172.31.140.0	10101100 00011111 10001100 0**0000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.31.140.127	10101100 00011111 10001100 0**1111111**

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Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.31.140.1 through 172.31.140.126

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-49 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-49 Question 16: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	128
Address	172	31	140	14
Subnet Number	172	31	140	0
First Valid Address	172	31	140	1
Last Valid Address	172	31	140	126
Broadcast	172	31	140	127

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The fourth octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 128 = 128 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 0 is the multiple of 128 that is closest to 14 but not higher than 14. So, the fourth octet of the subnet number is 0.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 0 + 128 – 1 = 127.

Answer to Problem 17

Table F-50 Question 17: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	192.168.15.150	—
Mask	255.255.255.192	—
Number of network bits	24	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	6	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	2	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^2 = 4$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^6 - 2 = 62$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} - 2$

Table F-51 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-51 Question 17: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	192.168.15.150	`11000000 10101000 00001111 10`**`010110`**
Mask	255.255.255.192	`11111111 11111111 11111111 11`**`000000`**
AND result (subnet number)	192.168.15.128	`11000000 10101000 00001111 10`**`000000`**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	192.168.15.191	`11000000 10101000 00001111 10`**`111111`**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

192.168.15.129 through 192.168.15.190

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-52 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-52 Question 17: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	192
Address	192	168	15	150
Subnet Number	192	168	15	128
First Valid Address	192	168	15	129
Last Valid Address	192	168	15	190
Broadcast	192	168	15	191

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The fourth octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 192 = 64 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 128 is the multiple of 64 that is closest to 150 but not higher than 150. So, the fourth octet of the subnet number is 128.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 128 + 64 – 1 = 191.

Answer to Problem 18

Table F-53 Question 18: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	192.168.15.150	—
Mask	255.255.255.224	—
Number of network bits	24	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	5	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	3	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^3 = 8$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^5 – 2 = 30$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-54 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-54 Question 18: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	192.168.15.150	11000000 10101000 00001111 100**10110**
Mask	255.255.255.224	11111111 11111111 11111111 111**00000**
AND result (subnet number)	192.168.15.128	11000000 10101000 00001111 100**00000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	192.168.15.159	11000000 10101000 00001111 100**11111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

192.168.15.129 through 192.168.15.158

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-55 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-55 Question 18: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	224
Address	192	168	15	150
Subnet Number	192	168	15	128
First Valid Address	192	168	15	129
Last Valid Address	192	168	15	158
Broadcast	192	168	15	159

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The fourth octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 224 = 32 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 128 is the multiple of 32 that is closest to 150 but not higher than 150. So, the fourth octet of the subnet number is 128.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 128 + 32 – 1 = 159.

Answer to Problem 19

Table F-56 Question 19: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	192.168.100.100	—
Mask	255.255.255.240	—
Number of network bits	24	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	4	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	4	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^4 = 16$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^4 – 2 = 14$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-57 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-57 Question 19: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	192.168.100.100	`11000000 10101000 01100100 0110`**`0100`**
Mask	255.255.255.240	`11111111 11111111 11111111 1111`**`0000`**
AND result (subnet number)	192.168.100.96	`11000000 10101000 01100100 0110`**`0000`**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	192.168.100.111	`11000000 10101000 01100100 0110`**`1111`**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

192.168.100.97 through 192.168.100.110

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-58 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-58 Question 19: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	240
Address	192	168	100	100
Subnet Number	192	168	100	96
First Valid Address	192	168	100	97
Last Valid Address	192	168	100	110
Broadcast	192	168	100	111

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The fourth octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 240 = 16 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 96 is the multiple of 16 that is closest to 100 but not higher than 100. So, the fourth octet of the subnet number is 96.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 96 + 16 – 1 = 111.

Answer to Problem 20

Table F-59 Question 20: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	192.168.100.100	—
Mask	255.255.255.248	—
Number of network bits	24	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	3	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	5	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^5 = 32$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^3 – 2 = 6$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-60 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-60 Question 20: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	192.168.100.100	11000000 10101000 01100100 01100**100**
Mask	255.255.255.248	11111111 11111111 11111111 11111**000**
AND result (subnet number)	192.168.100.96	11000000 10101000 01100100 01100**000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	192.168.100.103	11000000 10101000 01100100 01100**111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

192.168.100.97 through 192.168.100.102

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-61 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-61 Question 20: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	248
Address	192	168	100	100
Subnet Number	192	168	100	96
First Valid Address	192	168	100	97
Last Valid Address	192	168	100	102
Broadcast	192	168	100	103

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The fourth octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 248 = 8 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 96 is the multiple of 8 that is closest to 100 but not higher than 100. So, the fourth octet of the subnet number is 96.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 96 + 8 – 1 = 103.

Answer to Problem 21

Table F-62 Question 21: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	192.168.15.230	—
Mask	255.255.255.252	—
Number of network bits	24	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	2	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	6	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^6 = 64$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^2 - 2 = 2$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} - 2$

Table F-63 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-63 Question 21: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	192.168.15.230	`11000000 10101000 00001111 11100`**`10`**
Mask	255.255.255.252	`11111111 11111111 11111111 11111`**`00`**
AND result (subnet number)	192.168.15.228	`11000000 10101000 00001111 11100`**`00`**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	192.168.15.231	`11000000 10101000 00001111 11100`**`11`**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

192.168.15.229 through 192.168.15.230

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-64 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-64 Question 21: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	252
Address	192	168	15	230
Subnet Number	192	168	15	228
First Valid Address	192	168	15	229
Last Valid Address	192	168	15	230
Broadcast	192	168	15	231

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The fourth octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 252 = 4 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 228 is the multiple of 4 that is closest to 230 but not higher than 230. So, the fourth octet of the subnet number is 228.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 228 + 4 – 1 = 231.

Answer to Problem 22

Table F-65 Question 22: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.1.1.1	—
Mask	255.248.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	19	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	5	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^5 = 32$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{19} – 2 = 524{,}286$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-66 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-66 Question 22: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.1.1.1	00001010 00000**001** **00000001** **00000001**
Mask	255.248.0.0	11111111 11111**000** **00000000** **00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	10.0.0.0	00001010 00000**000** **00000000** **00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.7.255.255	00001010 00000**111** **11111111** **11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.0.0.1 through 10.7.255.254

Take a closer look at the subnet part of the subnet address, as shown in bold here: 0000 1010 **0000 0**000 0000 0000 0000 0000. The subnet part of the address is all binary 0s, making this subnet a zero subnet.

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-67 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-67 Question 22: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	248	0	0
Address	10	1	1	1
Subnet Number	10	0	0	0
First Valid Address	10	0	0	1
Last Valid Address	10	7	255	254
Broadcast	10	7	255	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The second octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 248 = 8 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 0 is the multiple of 8 that is closest to 1 but not higher than 1. So, the second octet of the subnet number is 0.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 0 + 8 – 1 = 7.

Answer to Problem 23

Table F-68 Question 23: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.16.1.200	—
Mask	255.255.240.0	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	12	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	4	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^4 = 16$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{12} – 2 = 4094$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-69 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-69 Question 23: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.16.1.200	10101100 00010000 0000**0001 11001000**
Mask	255.255.240.0	11111111 11111111 1111**0000 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	172.16.0.0	10101100 00010000 0000**0000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.16.15.255	10101100 00010000 0000**1111 11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.16.0.1 through 172.16.15.254

Take a closer look at the subnet part of the subnet address, as shown in bold here: 1010 1100 0001 0000 **0000** 0000 0000 0000. The subnet part of the address is all binary 0s, making this subnet a zero subnet.

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-70 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-70 Question 23: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	240	0
Address	172	16	1	200
Subnet Number	172	16	0	0
First Valid Address	172	16	0	1
Last Valid Address	172	16	15	254
Broadcast	172	16	15	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The third octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 240 = 16 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 0 is the multiple of 16 that is closest to 1 but not higher than 1. So, the third octet of the subnet number is 0.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 0 + 16 – 1 = 15.

Answer to Problem 24

Table F-71 Question 24: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	172.16.0.200	—
Mask	255.255.255.192	—
Number of network bits	16	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	6	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	10	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	$2^{10} = 1024$	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^6 – 2 = 62$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} – 2$

Table F-72 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

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Table F-72 Question 24: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	172.16.0.200	10101100 00010000 00000000 11**001000**
Mask	255.255.255.192	11111111 11111111 11111111 11**000000**
AND result (subnet number)	172.16.0.192	10101100 00010000 00000000 11**000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	172.16.0.255	10101100 00010000 00000000 11**111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

172.16.0.193 through 172.16.0.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-73 shows the work for this problem, with some explanation of the work following the table.

Table F-73 Question 24: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	255	255	192
Address	172	16	0	200
Subnet Number	172	16	0	192
First Valid Address	172	16	0	193
Last Valid Address	172	16	0	254
Broadcast	172	16	0	255

This subnetting scheme uses a difficult mask because one of the octets is not a 0 or a 255. The fourth octet is "interesting" in this case. The key part of the trick to get the right answers is to calculate the magic number, which is 256 – 192 = 64 in this case (256 – mask's value in the interesting octet). The subnet number's value in the interesting octet (inside the box) is the multiple of the magic number that is not higher than the original IP address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, 192 is the multiple of 64 that is closest to 200 but not higher than 200. So, the fourth octet of the subnet number is 192.

The second part of this process calculates the subnet broadcast address, with the tricky part, as usual, in the "interesting" octet. Take the subnet number's value in the interesting octet, add the magic number, and subtract 1. That is the broadcast address's value in the interesting octet. In this case, it is 192 + 64 – 1 = 255.

You can easily forget that the subnet part of this address, when using this mask, actually covers all the third octet as well as 2 bits of the fourth octet. For example, the valid subnet numbers in order are listed here:

172.16.0.0 (zero subnet)
172.16.0.64
172.16.0.128
172.16.0.192
172.16.1.0
172.16.1.64
172.16.1.128
172.16.1.192
172.16.2.0
172.16.2.64
172.16.2.128
172.16.2.192
172.16.3.0
172.16.3.64
172.16.3.128
172.16.3.192

And so on.

Answer to Problem 25

Congratulations! You made it through the extra practice in this appendix! Here is an easy one to complete your review—one with no subnetting at all.

Table F-74 Question 25: Size of Network, Subnet, Host, Number of Subnets, Number of Hosts

Item	Example	Rules to Remember
Address	10.1.1.1	—
Mask	255.0.0.0	—
Number of network bits	8	Always defined by Class A, B, C
Number of host bits	24	Always defined as number of binary 0s in mask
Number of subnet bits	0	32 – (network size + host size)
Number of subnets	0	$2^{\text{number-of-subnet-bits}}$
Number of hosts	$2^{24} - 2 = 16{,}777{,}214$	$2^{\text{number-of-host-bits}} - 2$

Table F-75 contains the important binary calculations for finding the subnet number and subnet broadcast address. To calculate the subnet number, perform a Boolean AND on the address and mask. To find the broadcast address for this subnet, change all the host bits to binary 1s in the subnet number. The host bits are in **bold** print in the table.

Table F-75 Question 25: Binary Calculation of Subnet and Broadcast Addresses

Address	10.1.1.1	00001010 **00000001 00000001 00000001**
Mask	255.0.0.0	11111111 **00000000 00000000 00000000**
AND result (subnet number)	10.0.0.0	00001010 **00000000 00000000 00000000**
Change host to 1s (broadcast address)	10.255.255.255	00001010 **11111111 11111111 11111111**

Just add 1 to the subnet number to get the first valid IP address; just subtract 1 from the broadcast address to get the last valid IP address. In this case:

10.0.0.1 through 10.255.255.254

Alternatively, you can use the processes that only use decimal math to find the subnet and broadcast address. Table F-76 shows the work for this problem.

Table F-76 Question 25: Subnet, Broadcast, and First and Last Addresses Calculated Using the Subnet Chart

	Octet 1	Octet 2	Octet 3	Octet 4
Mask	255	0	0	0
Address	10	1	1	1
Network Number	10	0	0	0
First Valid Address	10	0	0	1
Last Valid Address	10	255	255	254
Broadcast	10	255	255	255