

Chapter 1

- **Internet** is based on TCP/IP
- **IP** is Internet protocol at the network layer level
- **TCP** is connection-oriented transport protocol and ensures end-to-end connection
- **UDP** is connectionless transport protocol and provides datagram service
- The Internet Control Message Protocol (**ICMP**) part of **TCP/IP suite**

Data link layer consist of two sublayers: Logical link control **AND** Media access control

- (**LLC**): Formats the data to go on the medium; performs error control and flow control
- (**MAC**): Controls data transfer to and from LAN; resolves conflicts with other data on LAN
- **Protocol Data Unit (PDU)** Information that is delivered as a unit among peer entities of a network and that may contain control information, such as address information, or user data.

Common Network Problems:

- Loss of connectivity
- Duplicate IP address
- Intermittent (interrupted) problems
- Network configuration issues
- Non-problems
- Performance problems

Chapter 3

Network Models

- OSI
- Internet
- TMN
- IEEE 802
- Web-based

Management communication protocols

- SNMP
- CMIP
- XML
- CORBA

ASN.1 language

- Syntax
- Macro

SMI describes how the management information is structured and **MIB** deals with the relationship and storage of management information.

The two primary communications protocols are **CMIP** in **OSI** and **SNMP** in the **Internet**.

OSI Architecture and Model	SNMP Architecture and Model
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer syntax with bidirectional messages • Transfer structure (PDU) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Messages less complex than OSI and unidirectional • Transfer structure (PDU)
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Manager	Agent	Managed object
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sends requests to agents • Monitors alarms • Houses applications • Provides user interface 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gathers information from objects • Configures parameters of objects • Responds to managers’ requests • Generates alarms and sends them to managers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network element that is managed • Houses management agent • All objects are not managed / manageable

MIB: It is a *virtual* database that is compiled into management module

MDB: physical database

Keyword Example:

- CHOICE
- SET
- SEQUENCE
- OF
- NULL

Chapter 4

5 Messages between Manager and Agent: First 3 for Manager and last 2 for Agent.

- Get-Request
 - Sent by manager requesting data from agent
- Get-Next-Request
 - Sent by manager requesting data on the **next** MO to the one specified
- Set-Request
 - Initializes or changes the value of network element
- Get-Response
 - Agent responds with data for get and set requests from the manager
- Trap
 - Alarm generated by an agent

SEQUENCE and SEQUENCE OF They are used to build lists and tables.

Chapter 5

There are **three** types of traps — **generic-trap**, **specific-trap**, and **time-stamp**, which are application specific.

- The **generic-trap** type consists of **coldStart**, **warmStart**, **linkDown**, **linkUp**, **authentication Failure**, **egpNeighborLoss**, and **enterpriseSpecific**.

Chapter 6

Textual Conventions are designed to help define new data types.

SNMPv2 New Messages:

- **inform-request**
 - manager-to-manager message
- **get-bulk-request**
 - transfer of large data
- **report**
 - not used

createAndGo AND **createAndWait** →

Table 6.4 RowStatus Textual Convention

State	Enumeration	Description
active	1	Row exists and is operational
notInService	2	Operation on the row is suspended
notReady	3	Row does not have all the columnar objects needed
createAndGo	4	This is a one-step process of creation of a row, immediately goes into active state
createAndWait	5	Row is under creation and should not be commissioned into service
destroy	6	Same as Invalid in EntryStatus. Row should be deleted

Chapter 7

SNMPv3 formally defines **five types** of applications.

They are **command generator**, **command responder**, **notification originator**, **notification receiver**, and **proxy forwarder**.

Chapter 8

Remote monitoring is monitoring the network using remotely positioned probes in various segments in the network.

RMON1 was initially defined for data link level parameters of Ethernet LAN. It was then extended to token-ring LAN.

RMON2 development followed to monitor and produce statistics for parameters associated with the upper layers, from the network to the application level.

- **RMON1**: Monitoring Ethernet LAN and token-ring LAN
- **RMON2**: Monitoring upper protocol layers

Functions For RMON

- **Statistics on Ethernet**, token ring, and hosts / conversations
- **Filter group** filters data prior to capture of data
- **Generation of alarms and events**

Ten groups divided into **three categories**

- **Statistics groups** (rmon 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 10)
- **Event reporting groups** (rmon 3 and 9)
- **Filter and packet capture groups** (rmon 7 and 8)

RMON Components

1. **RMON Probe**
 - Data gatherer - a physical device
2. **Data analyzer**
 - Processor that analyzes data

Table 9.1 Status-Monitoring Tools

NAME	OPERATING SYSTEM	DESCRIPTION
ifconfig	Linux	Obtains and configures networking interface parameters and status
ping	Linux/Windows	Checks the status of node/host
nslookup	Linux/Windows	Looks up DNS for name–IP address translation
dig	Linux	Queries DNS server (supersedes nslookup)
host	Linux	Displays information on Internet hosts/domains

Chapter 9

Basic Network Software Tools

- Status monitoring tools
- Traffic monitoring tools
- Route monitoring tools

nslookup: An interactive program for **querying** Internet Domain Name System servers.

Converts a hostname into an IP address and vice versa querying DNS

Useful to **identify the subnet** a host or node belongs to.

dig: Used to gather lots of information on hosts from DNS

Ping:

- Useful for measuring connectivity
- Useful for measuring packet loss

Table 9.2 Traffic monitoring tools

Name	Operating System	Description
ping	UNIX / Windows	Used for measuring roundtrip packet loss
bing	UNIX	Measures point-to-point bandwidth of a link
tcpdump	UNIX	Dumps traffic on a network
getethers	UNIX	Acquires all host addresses of an Ethernet LAN segment
iptrace	UNIX	Measures performance of gateways
ethereal, Wireshark	Linux / Windows	Graphical tool to capture, inspect , and to save Ethernet packets

netstat is a useful diagnostic tool for troubleshooting. **tracert** (UNIX) or **tracert** (MS Windows), which is the basic tool used most extensively to diagnose routing problems. The tool discovers the route taken by packets from the source-to-destination through each hop.

snmpsniff: Linux/Free BSD based tool. Reads PDUs. It captures SNMP packets going across the segment and stores them for later analysis.

- Similar to *tcpdump*

Table 9.3 Route-Monitoring Tools

Name	Operating System	Description
netstat	UNIX	Displays the contents of various network-related data structures
arp rarp	UNIX, Windows 9x/00/NT	Displays and modifies the Internet-to-Ethernet address translation tables
tracert tracert	UNIX Windows	Traces route to a destination with routing delays

SNMP Command Tools

- **snmpstat**
- **snmpget**: This command communicates with a network object using the SNMP get-request message
- **snmpgetnext**: This command is especially useful to get the values of variables in an aggregate object
- **snmpset**: sends the SNMP set-request message and receives the get-response command.
- **snmptrap**
- **snmpwalk**
- **snmpnetstat**: Useful for finding status of network connections

MRTG is a tool that monitors traffic load on network links, It generates a live visual representation of traffic data by reading the SNMP traffic counters on routers and creates graphs that are embedded into Web pages.

Differences between SNMP versions:

SNMP v1	SNMP v2c	SNMP v3
Easy to set up. Only requires a plain text community string to authenticate packets	Identical to version 1	Setup is more complex. Does not use community strings but users with authentication and encryption.
Supports only 32 bit counters	Support for 64 bit counters	Adds security to the 64 bit counters.
Packet Types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get-Request • Get-Next-Request • Set Request • Get Response 	Packet Types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get-Request • Get-Bulk-Request • Get-Next-Request • Set Request • Inform-Response • SNMP v2 Trap 	The basic functions of v3 are from v1 and v2. v3 has a new SNMP message format
Anybody with access to the network will be able to see the community string in plaintext	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved error handling • Improved SET commands 	Adds both encryption and authentication, to the SNMP message.