

# How Does DHCP Work?

# Introduction

**DHCP is a protocol designed to automatically configure TCP/IP at the workstation. The only manual configuration required is to enable DHCP, and to give the client a name.**

# Agenda

- **Setting Up the DHCP Servers**
- **A Client Gets an Address**
- **Client Lease Renewal**
- **A Client Moves to a New Subnet**
- **DHCP Message Summary**
- **IP Helper Address**
- **Where to Get More Information**

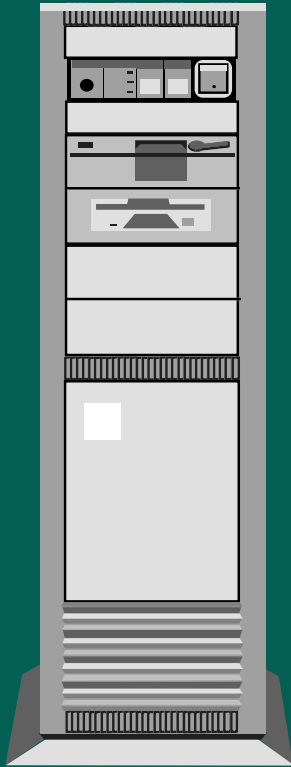
# Vocabulary

- **DHCP**: Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
- **Lease**: An agreement between client and server to allocate an address for a specified time
- **Scope**: An object within the DHCP Server configuration that contains addresses for a single subnet

# Setting Up the DHCP Servers

- Create a DHCP service
- Create a “scope” to contain an address pool
  - Exclude addresses not to be issued
- Configure options to send to client
  - DNS server addresses
  - Routing gateway address
  - WINS server addresses
  - WINS node type

# Setting Up the DHCP Servers



Server address: 132.200.50.220

Global Options (*for all scopes*)

DNS: 132.200.100.10

DNS: 132.200.100.11

WINS: 132.200.100.20

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Node type: H

Scope 132.200.50.0

Local Options (*for this scope*)

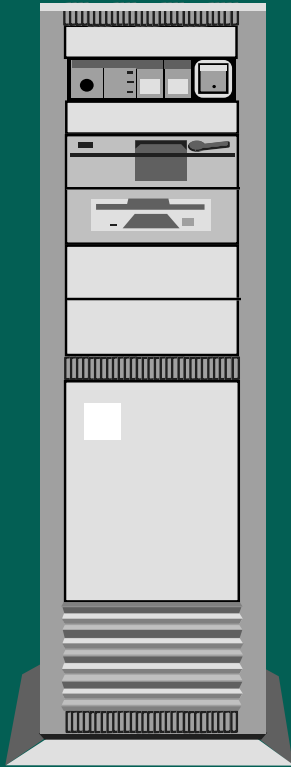
Gateway: 132.200.50.201

Exclude 132.200.50.201 - 254

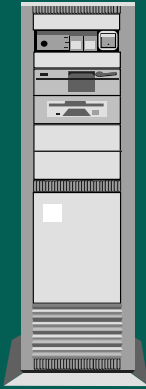
(*for static devices*)



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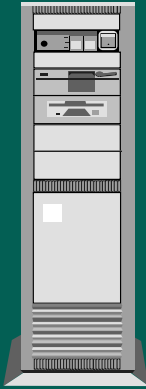


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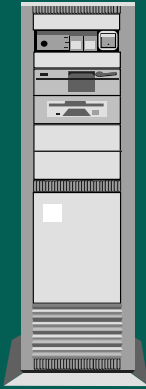


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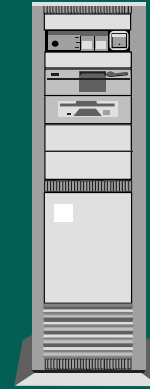


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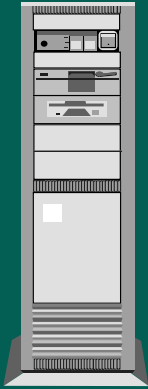
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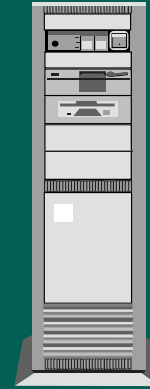
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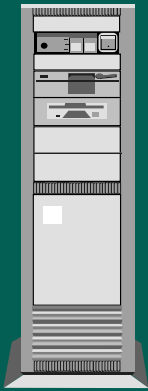


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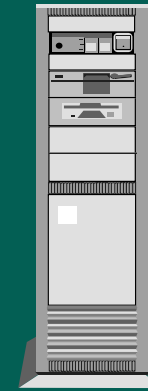


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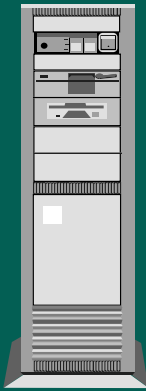
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132.200.50.1 through 100



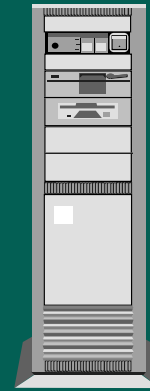
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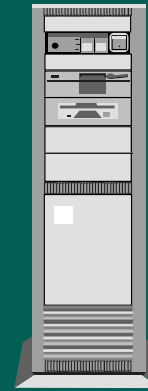
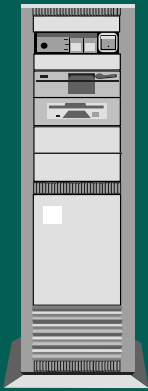


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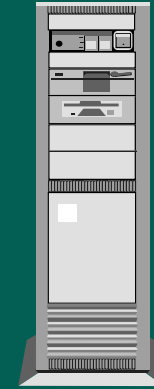
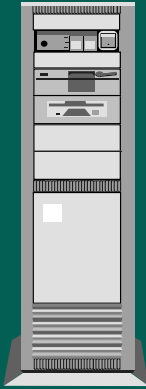


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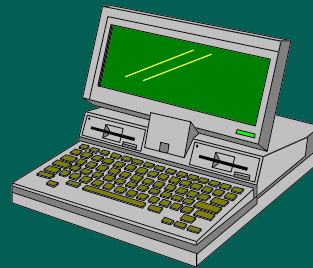
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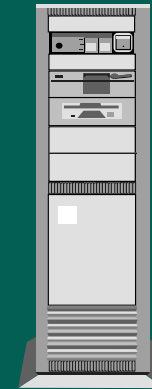
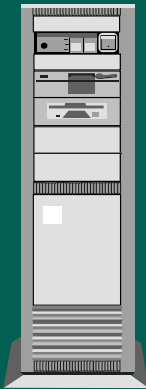


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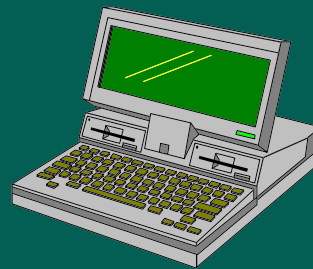




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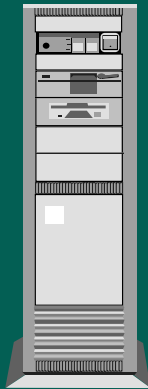
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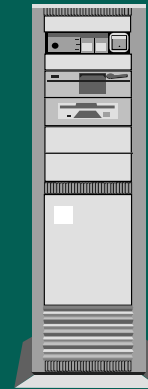
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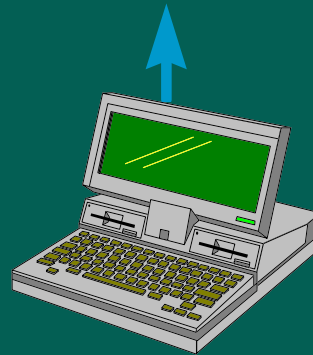
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DHCPDISCOVER
  MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A
  Source Address: 0.0.0.0
  Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255
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# DHCP Messages

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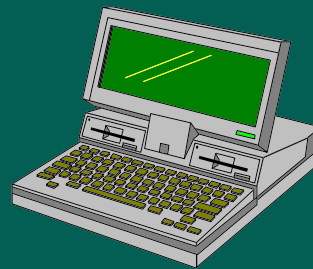
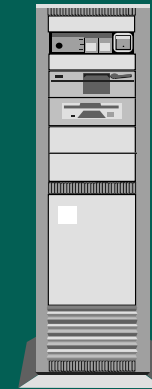
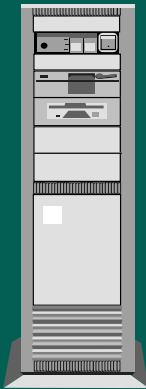
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- Initialization message from client
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- Client has no network address yet



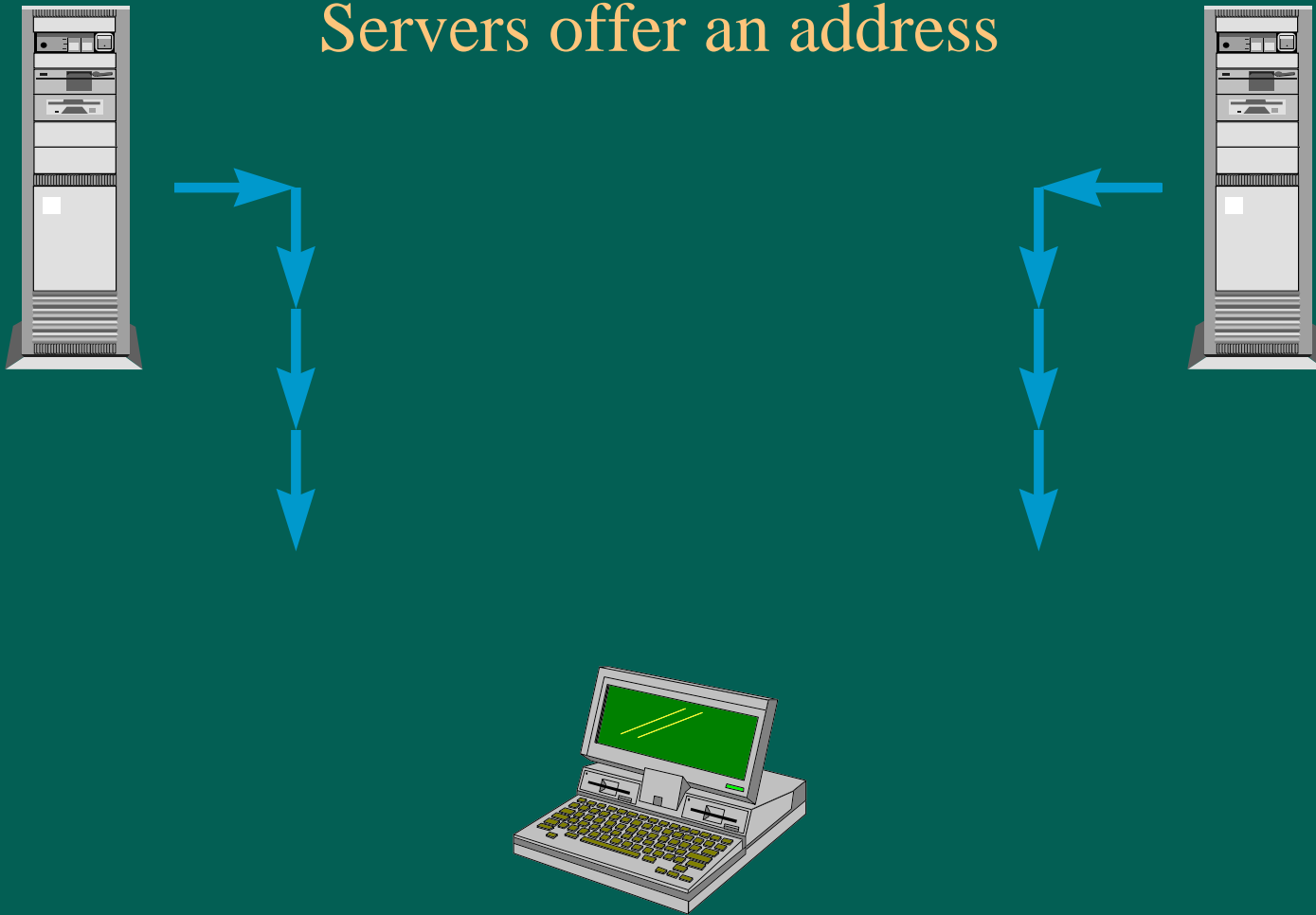
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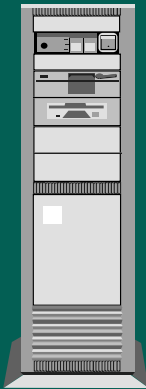
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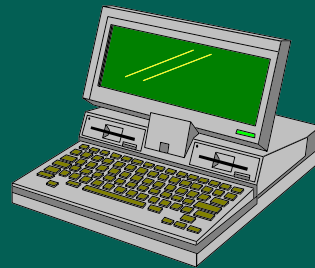
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Servers offer an address



## DHCPOFFER

MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A  
Source Address: 132.200.50.220  
Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255  
IP Address: 132.200.50.5  
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0  
Server Identifier: 132. 200.100.5  
Lease Length: 504 Hours



## DHCPOFFER

MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A  
Source Address: 132.200.50.230  
Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255  
IP Address: 132.200.50.105  
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0  
Server Identifier: 132. 200.100.6  
Lease Length: 504 Hours

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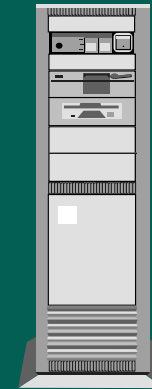
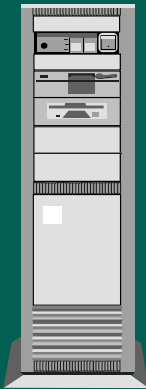
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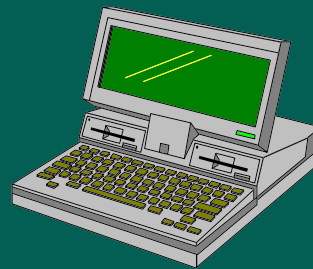
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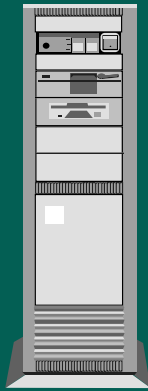
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DHCPREQUEST

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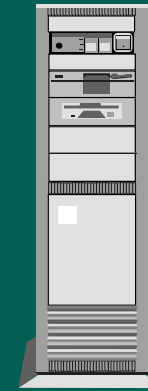
Source Address: 0.0.0.0

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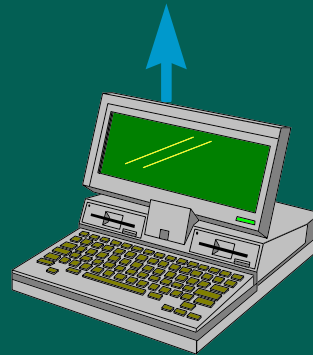
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Server Identifier: 132.200.50.230

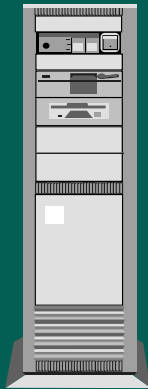
Requested Parameters: 3, 46...



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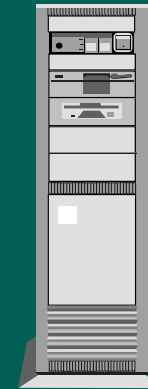


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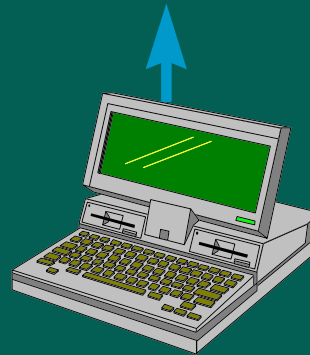
132.200.50.105...  
That's not mine.  
(Release reservation)

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132.200.50.105...  
Hey! That's mine!

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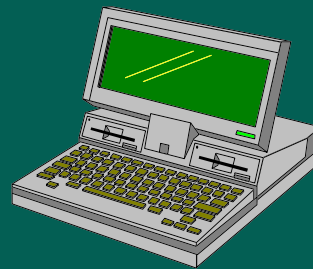
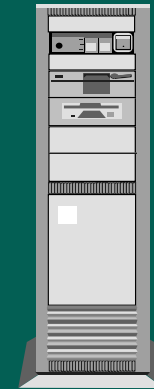
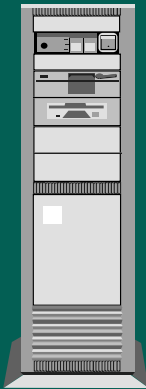
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- DHCPDISCOVER
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- DHCPREQUEST
  - Contains selected server, address
  - Broadcast - all servers receive
  - Declined server releases reservation
  - Contains request for configuration options

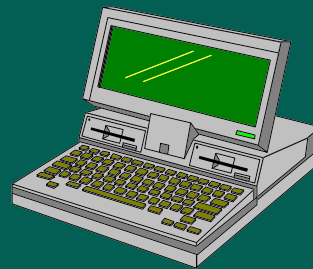
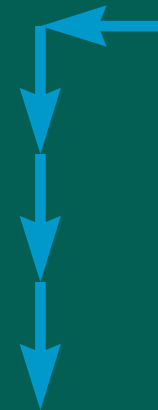
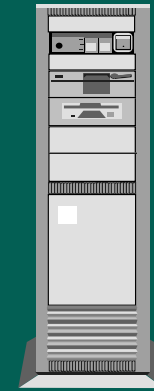
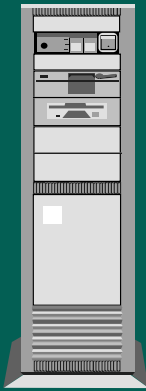
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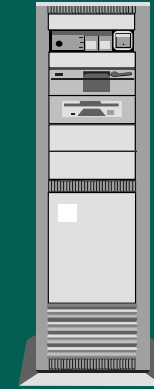
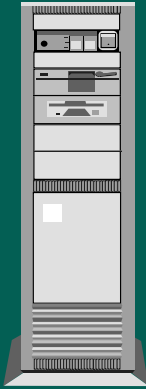
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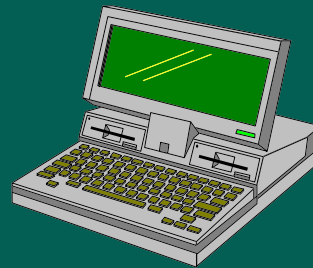
# A Client Gets an Address

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## DHCPACK

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Source Address: 132.200.50.230  
Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255  
IP Address: 132.200.50.105  
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0  
Server Identifier: 132.200.100.6  
Lease Length: 504 Hours  
Requested Parameters: Gateway...



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  - Contains valid lease



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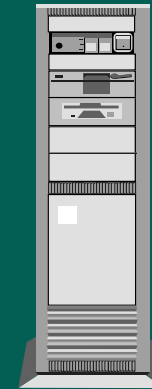
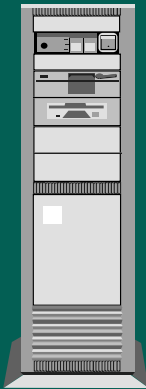
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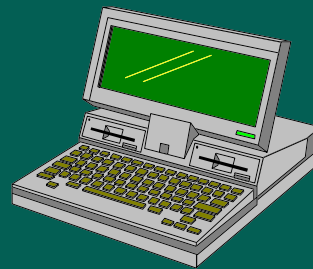
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  - Contains requested configuration options

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Client is now initialized  
Ready to communicate!



132.200.50.105



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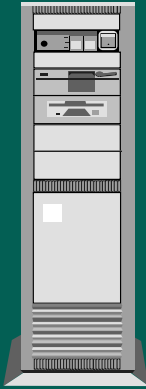
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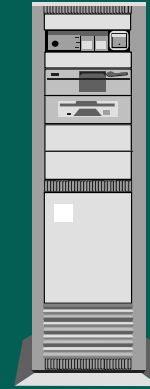
- When it reaches 50% of the lease duration



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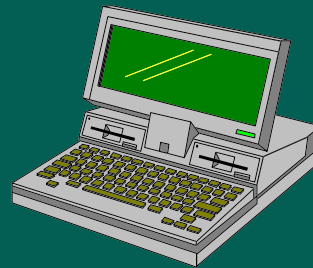


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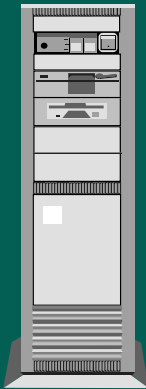


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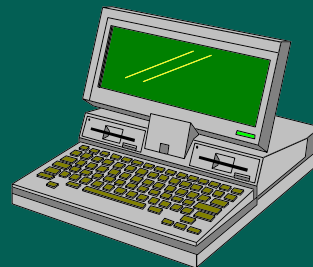
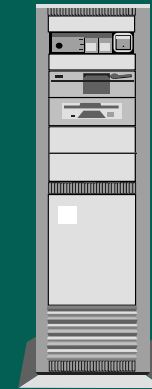
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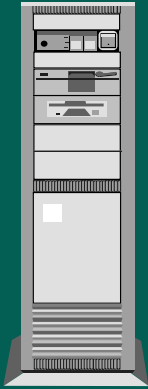
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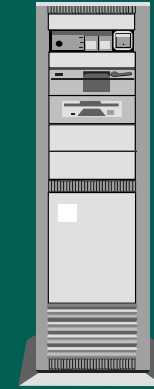
252 Hours (50%) elapsed!  
Time to renew...



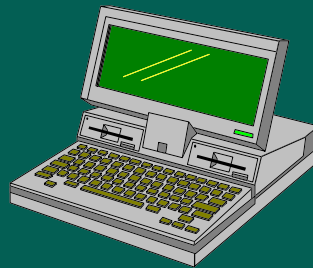
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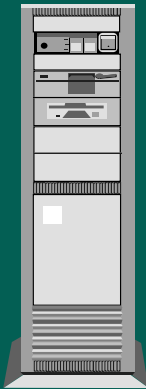
Send DHCP Request  
*(this time, direct to my DHCP server)*



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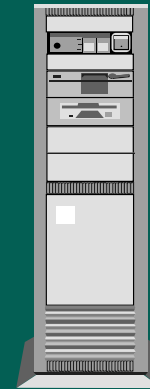
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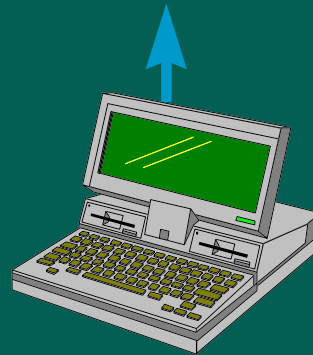
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Server Identifier: 132.200.50.230

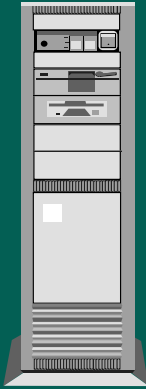
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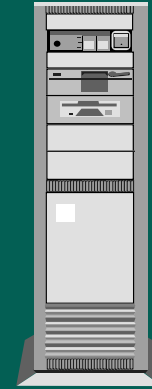


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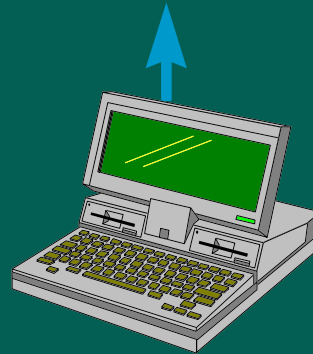
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132.200.50.105...  
Hey! That's my lease!

Send DHCP Request



# DHCP Messages

- DHCPDISCOVER
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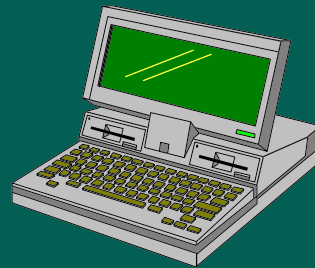
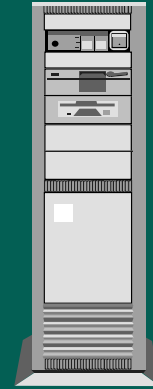
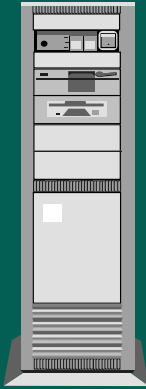
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  - Contains request for configuration options

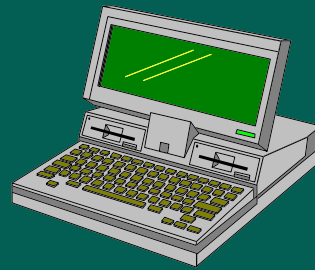
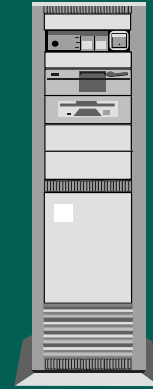
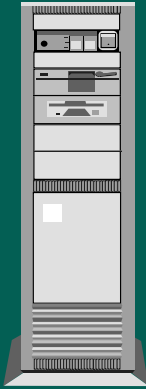
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Send DHCP ACK



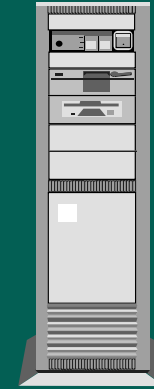
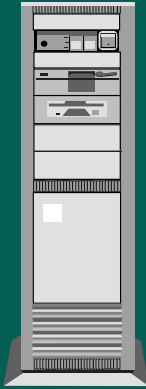
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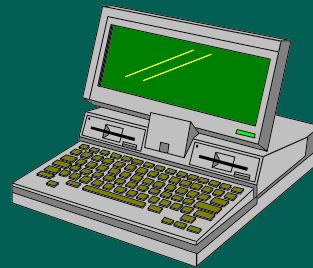
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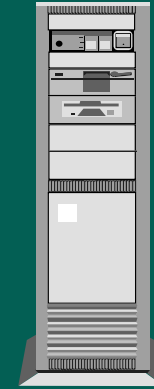
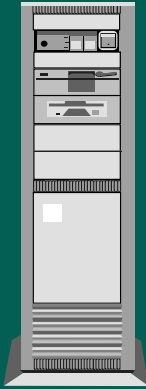
## DHCPACK

MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A  
Source Address: 132.200.50.230  
Dest. Address: 132.200.50.105  
IP Address: 132.200.50.105  
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0  
Server Identifier: 132.200.100.6  
Lease Length: 504 Hours  
Requested Parameters: Gateway...



# Client Lease Renewal

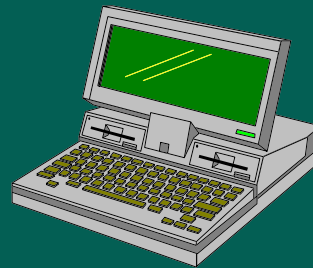
Send DHCP ACK



•Lease extended

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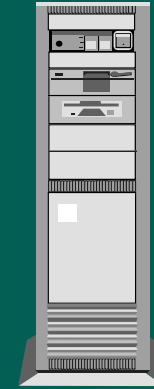
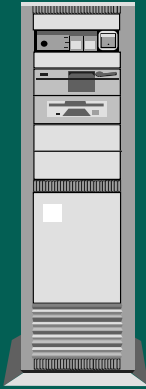
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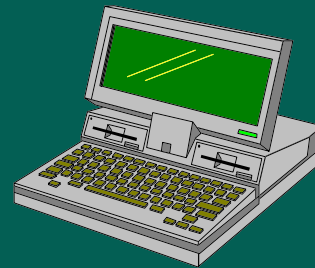


# Client Lease Renewal

Send DHCP ACK



- Lease extended
- Configuration options updated



DHCPACK  
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Source Address: 132.200.50.230  
Dest. Address: 132.200.50.105  
IP Address: 132.200.50.105  
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0  
Server Identifier: 132. 200.100.6  
Lease Length: 504 Hours  
Requested Parameters: Gateway...

# DHCP Messages

- DHCPDISCOVER
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- DHCPDISCOVER
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- DHCPREQUEST
- DHCPACK
  - Contains valid lease (extended)

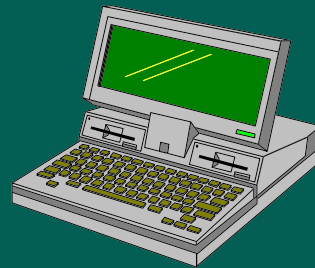
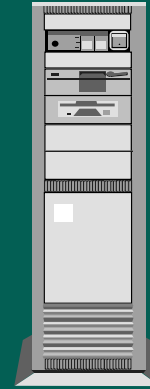
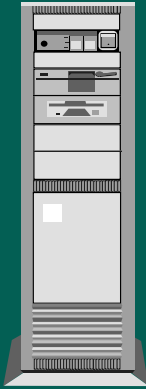
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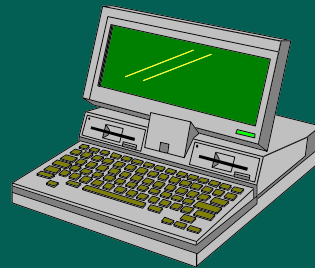
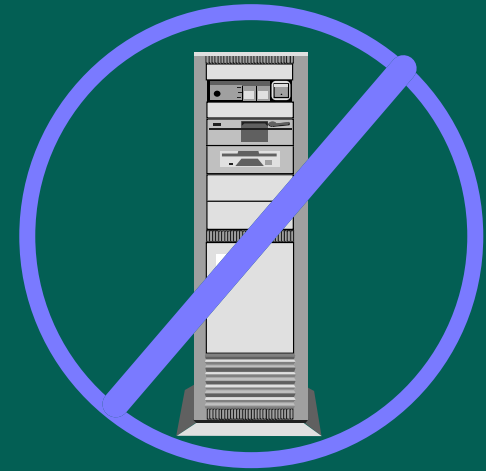
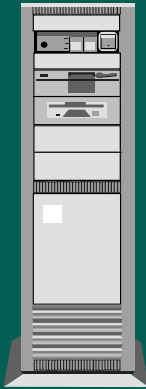
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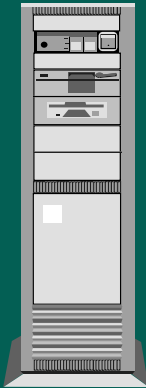


# Client Lease Renewal (Server Not Available)





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## DHCPREQUEST

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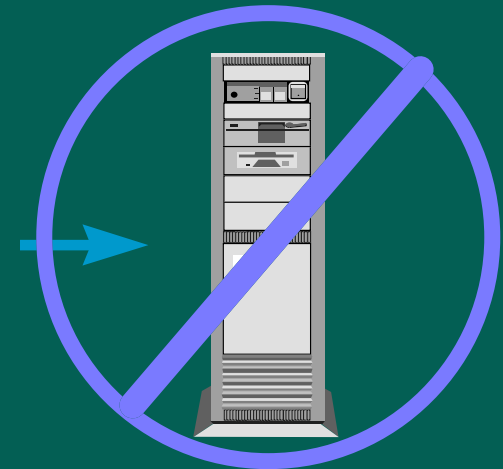
Source Address: 132.200.50.105

Dest. Address: 132.200.50.230

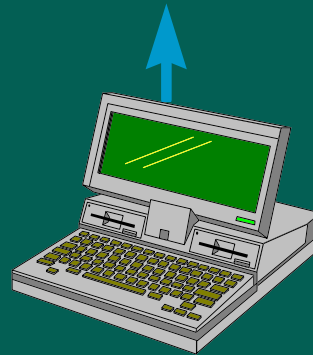
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Server Identifier: 132.200.50.230

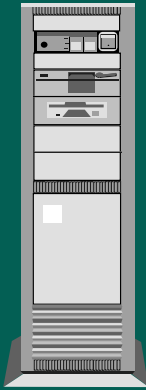
Requested Parameters: 3, 46...



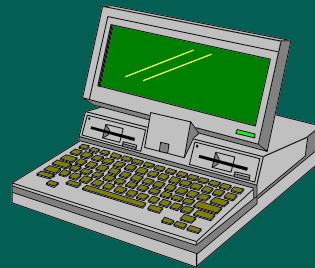
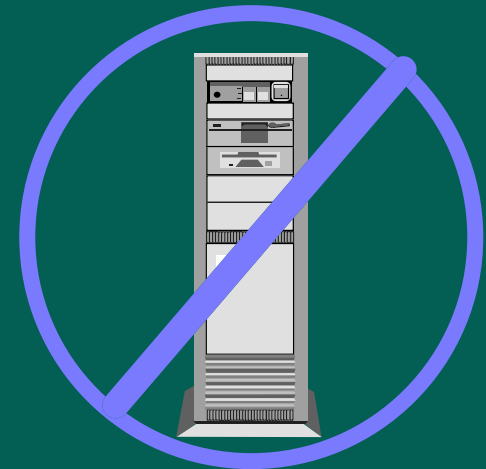
Send DHCP Request



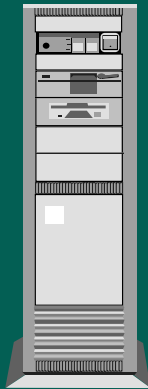
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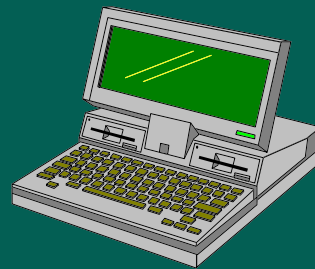
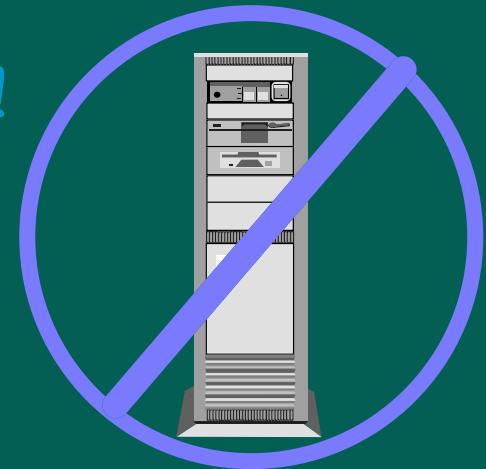
No Answer  
Keep Using Address



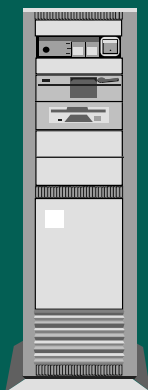
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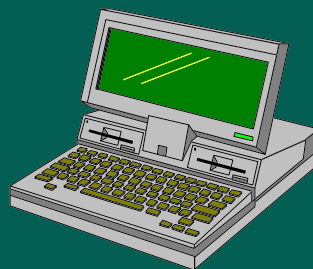
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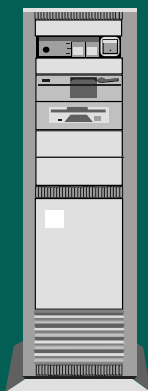
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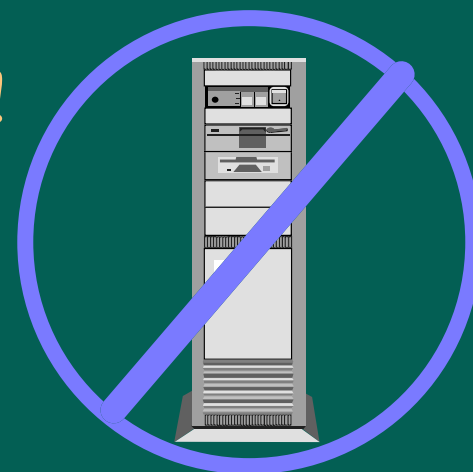
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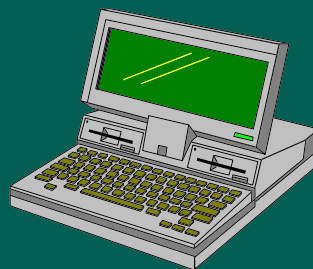
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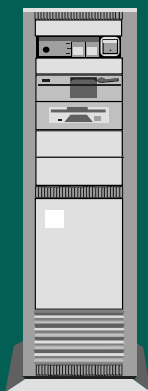
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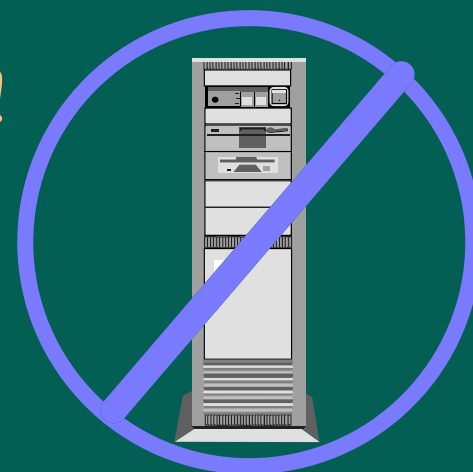
Send DHCP Request



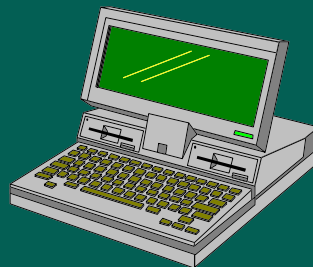
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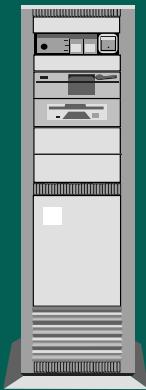


Send DHCP Request  
*(this time, Broadcast)*





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DHCPREQUEST

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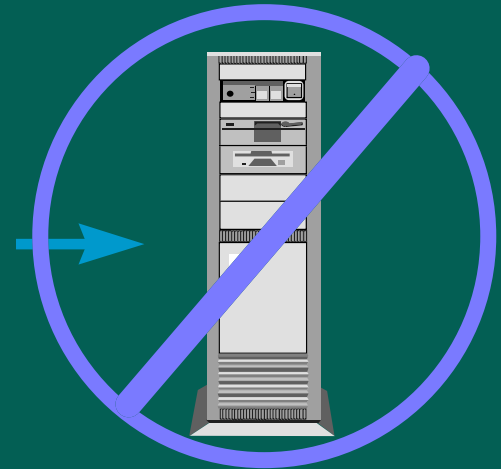
Source Address: 132.200.50.105

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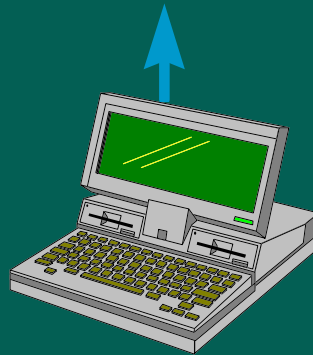
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Server Identifier: 132.200.50.230

Requested Parameters: 3, 46...

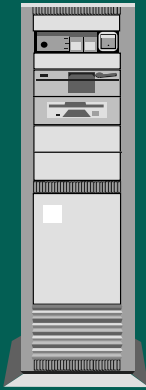


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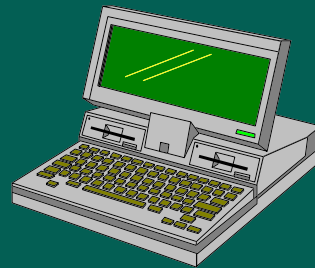




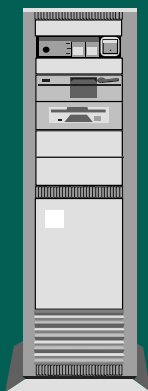
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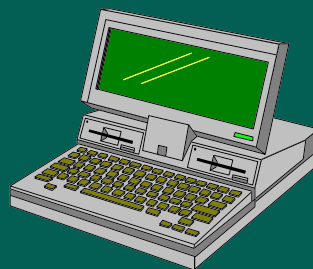
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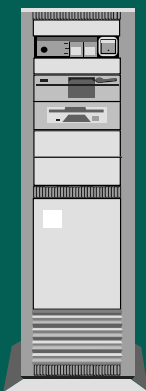
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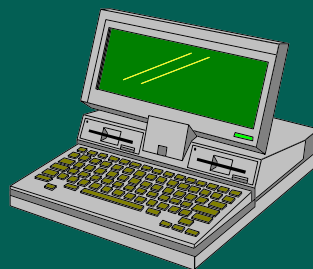
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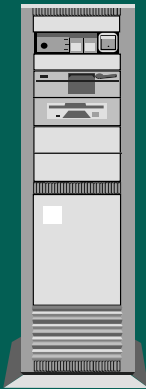
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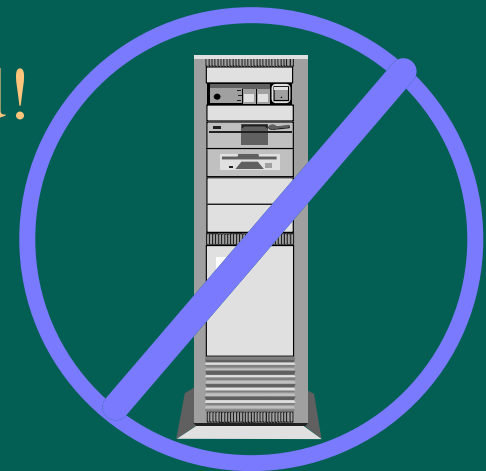
Quit using address



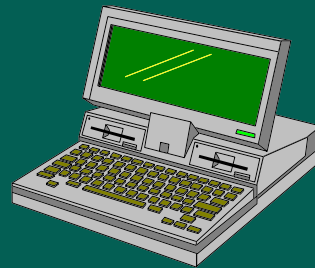
# Client Lease Renewal (Server Not Available)



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Quit using address  
Send DHCP Discover  
(*Start all over again*)



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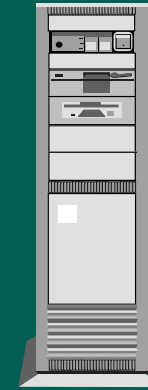
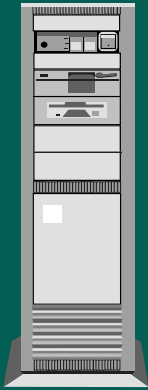
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- At 100% lease time, client relinquishes address, and attempts to reinitialize (DHCPDISCOVER)

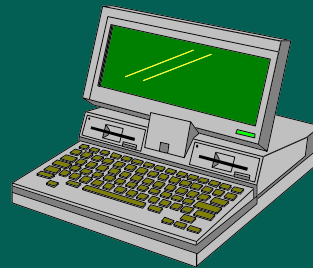
# Client Moves to a New Subnet



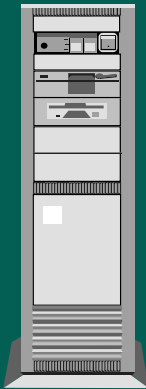
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Send DHCP Request  
(Broadcast)



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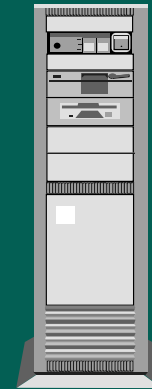
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Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255

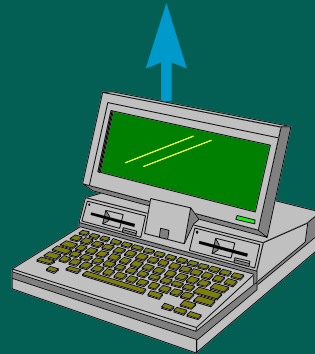
Req IP Address: 132.200.25.105

Server Identifier: 132.200.50.230

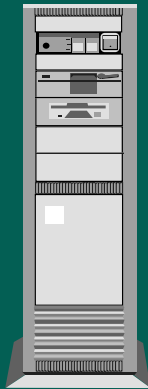
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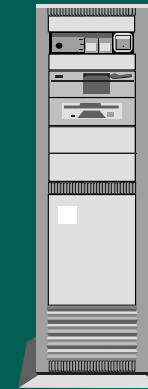
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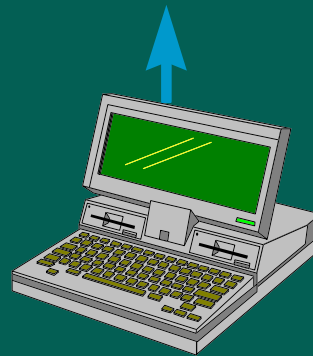
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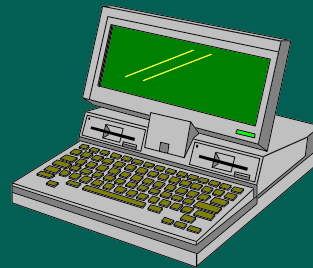
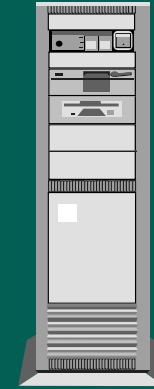
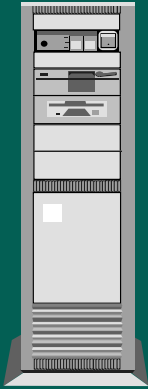
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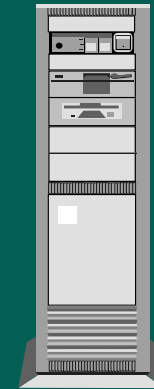
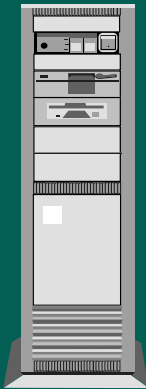
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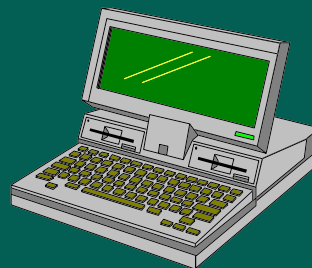


DHCPNACK

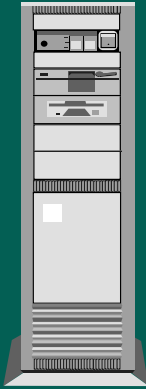
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Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255

DHCPNACK

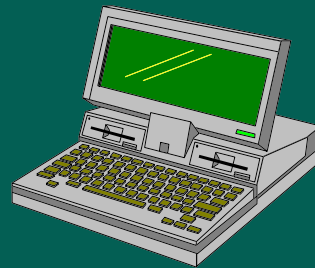
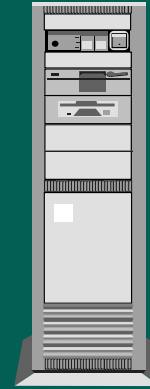
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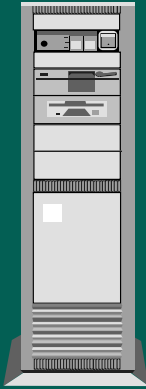


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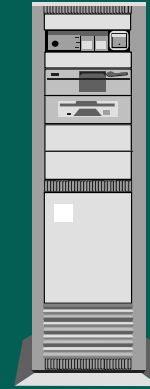




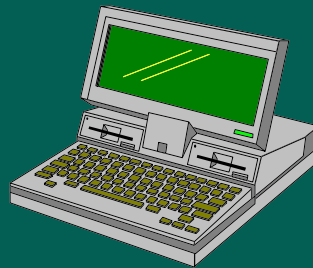
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Send DHCP Discover  
*(Start all over again)*





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- DHCPREQUEST
- DHCPACK
- DHCPNACK
  - Negative acknowledgement
  - Sent when client moves to new subnet
  - Sent if client has wrong MAC address for lease

# DHCP Messages

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- Client tells server to release lease
- Caused by issuing `IPCONFIG /RELEASE` at the command line

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- DHCPDECLINE
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# DHCP Messages

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- DHCPRELEASE

- DHCPDECLINE

- Client broadcasts to server after receiving a lease with invalid configuration information
- Client then returns to initializing state, (DHCPDISCOVER)

# DHCP Messages

## The Complete List

- DHCPDISCOVER
- DHCPOFFER
- DHCPREQUEST
- DHCPACK
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- DHCPRELEASE
- DHCPDECLINE

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  - Discover
  - Offer
  - Request
  - Ack



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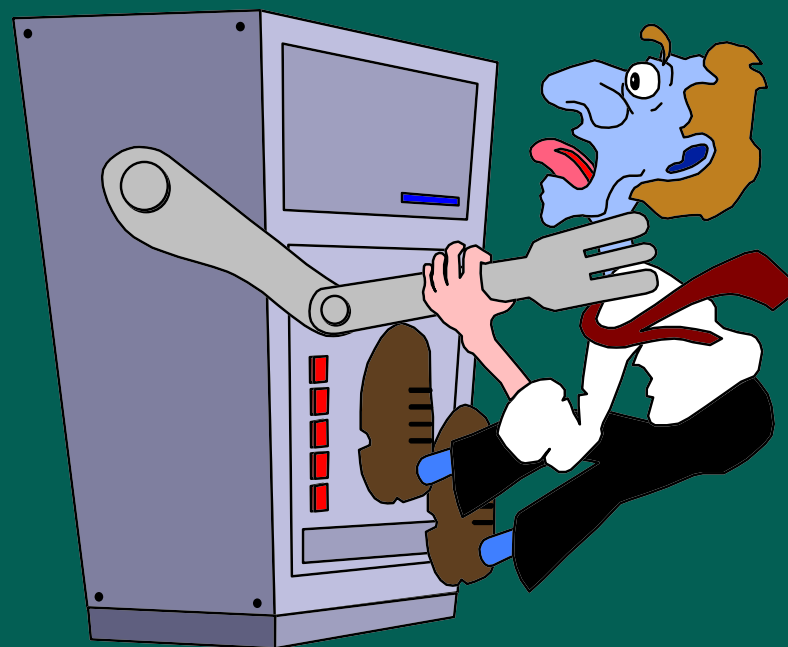
- How a client gets an address
- How a client renews a lease
  - Request
  - Ack





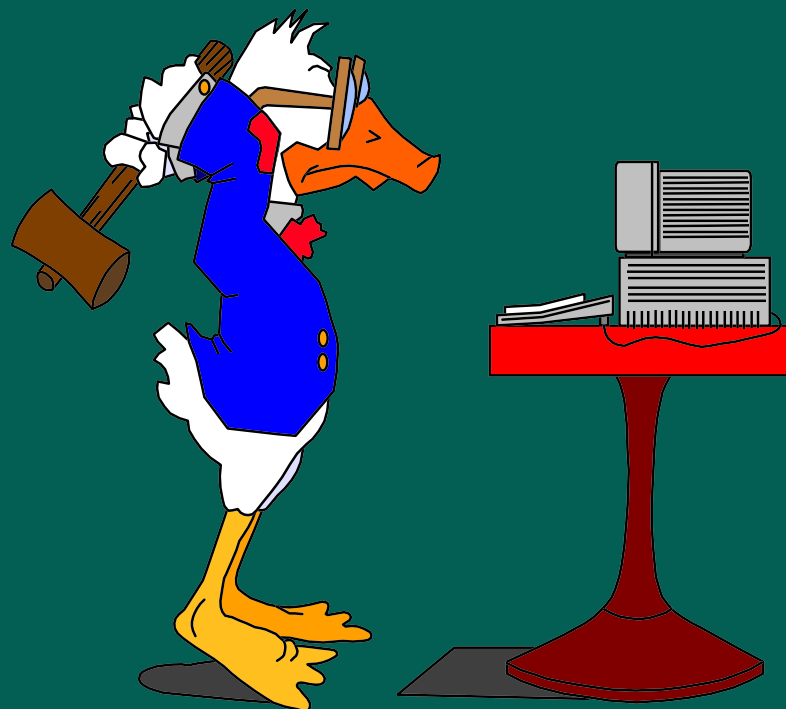
# What Have We Covered?

- How a client gets an address
- How a client renews a lease
- What happens if the client is moved, or incorrect info is passed
  - NACK
  - Decline

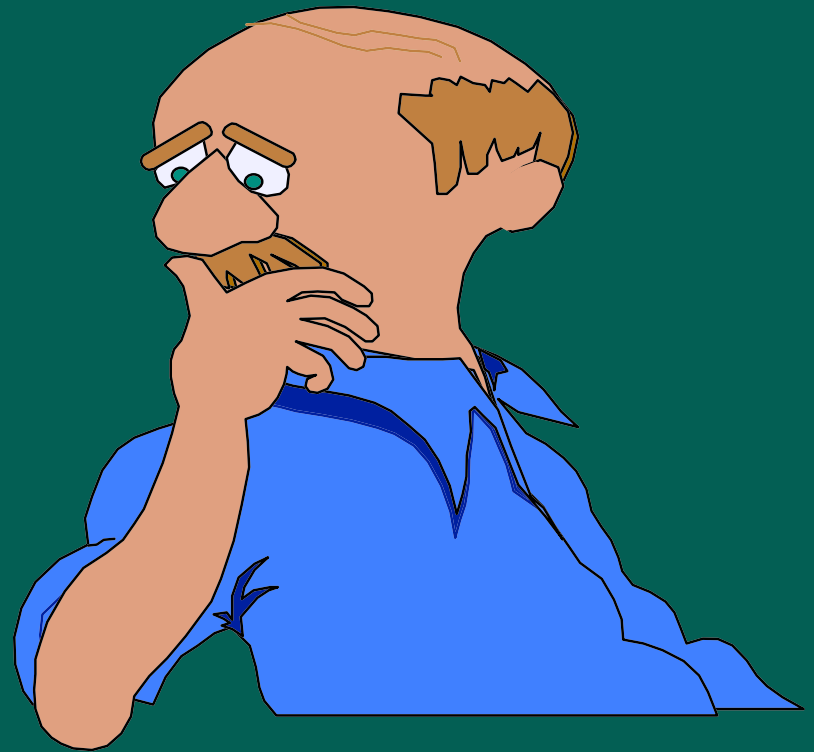


# What Have We Covered?

- How a client gets an address
- How a client renews a lease
- Client is moved, or incorrect info
- Client operator terminates lease
  - Release



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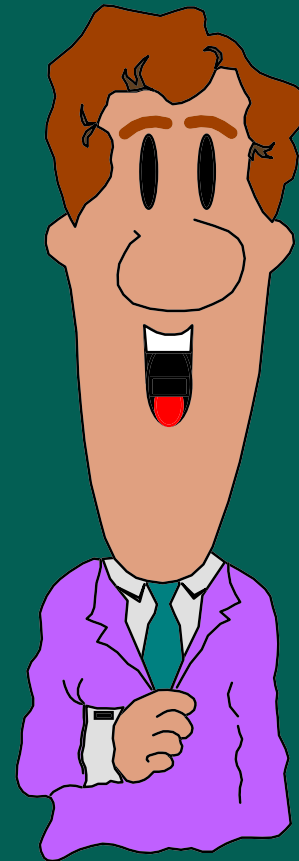
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# But How Does the Server Know Which Subnet to Offer?

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The broadcast is always local, because it has no TCP/IP address yet.



# Then How Does DHCP Work With Remote Subnets Using Routers?





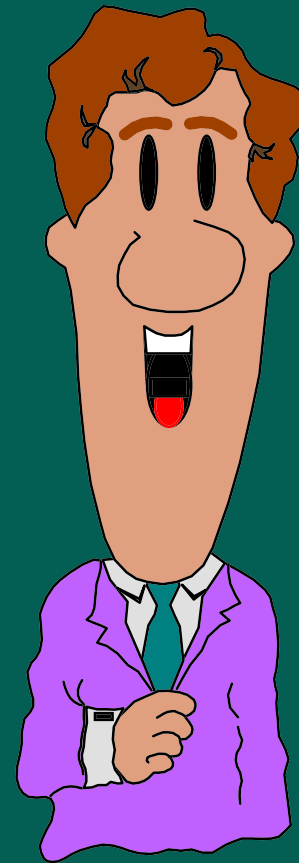
**I'm Glad You Asked That!**



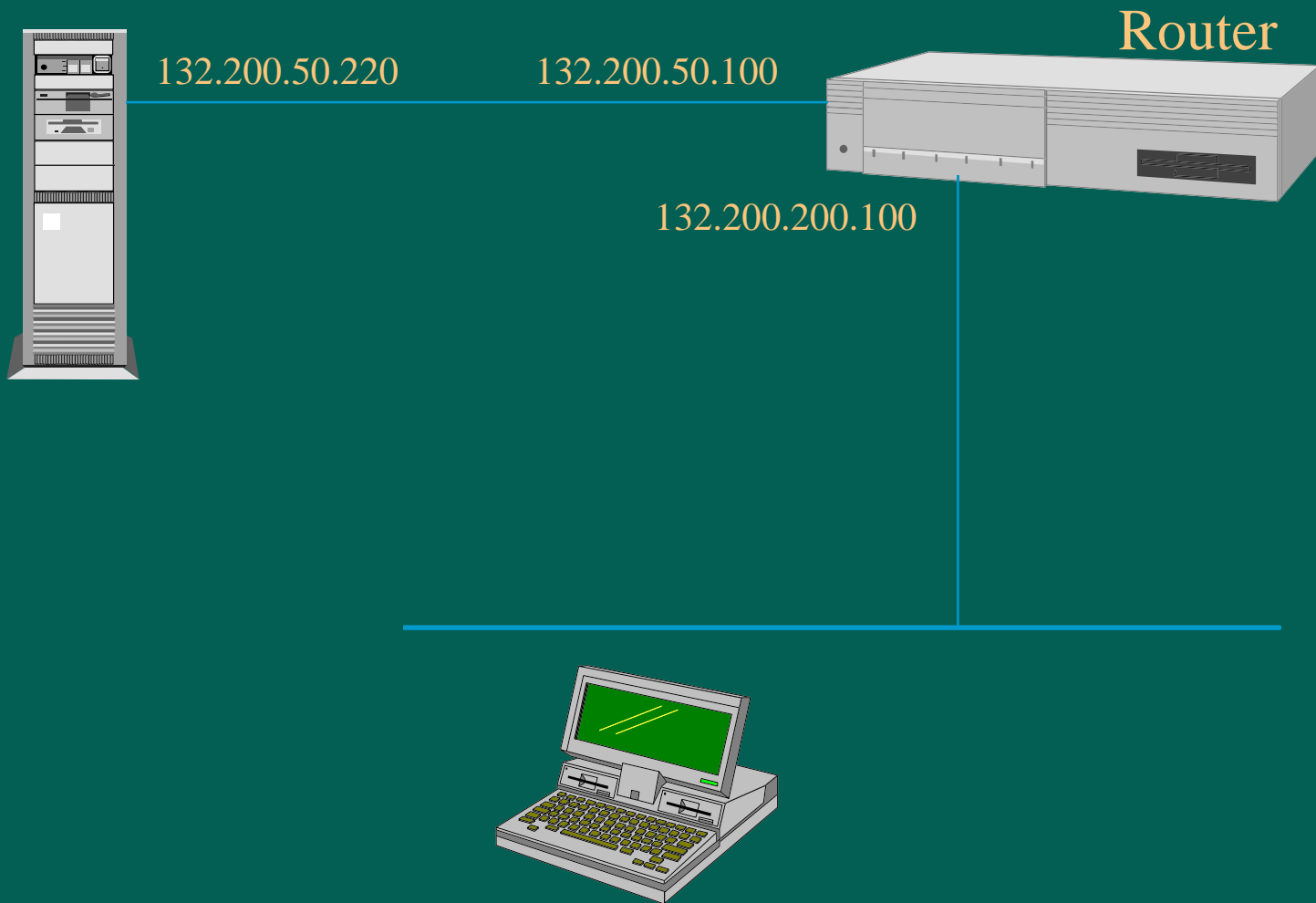


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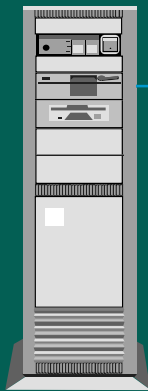
It uses something called  
an IP Helper Address.



# IP Helper Address

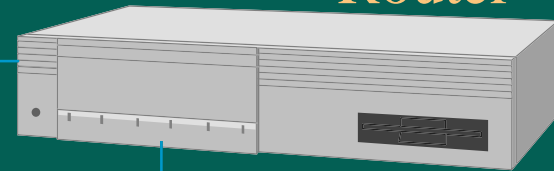


# IP Helper Address



132.200.50.220

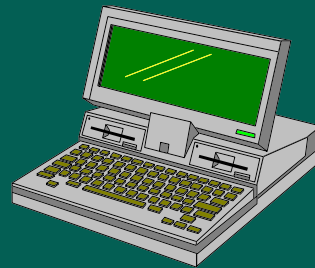
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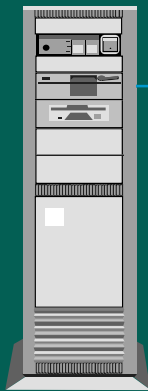
Router

132.200.200.100

First, a scope is created on the server to service the remote subnet, in this case, 132.200.200.0



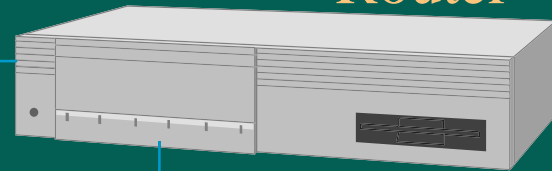
# IP Helper Address



132.200.50.220

ethernet 0

132.200.50.100

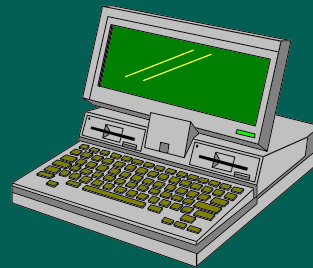


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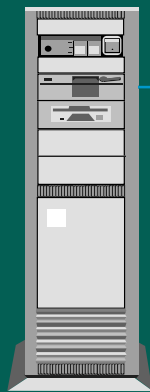
ethernet 1

132.200.200.100

Next, the *Cisco ethernet 1* interface is configured with the command:  
“ip helper-address 132.200.50.220”

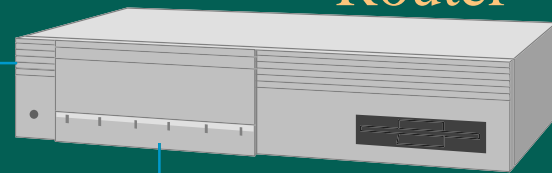


# IP Helper Address



132.200.50.220

ethernet 0  
132.200.50.100



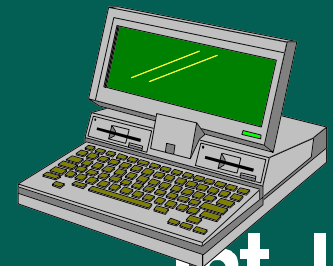
Router

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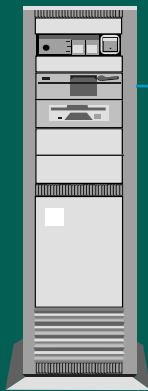
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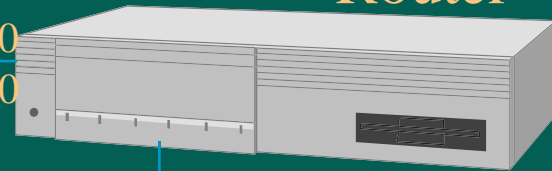


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ethernet 1  
132.200.200.100

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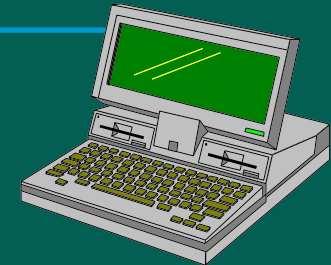


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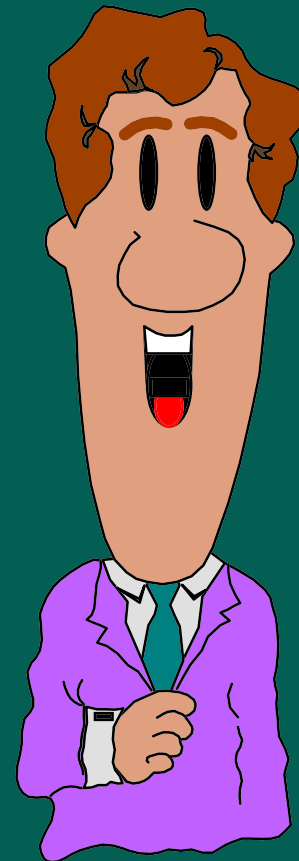
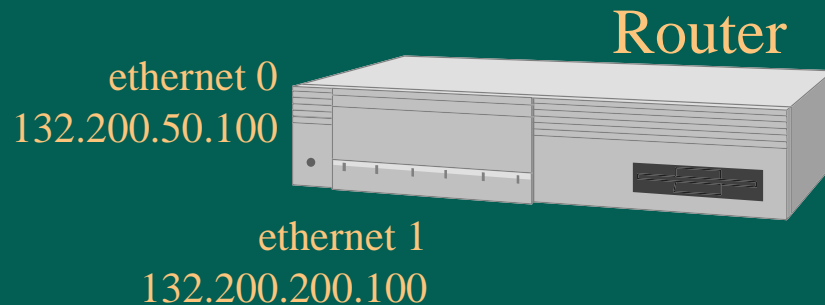
This is the address of the DHCP server.





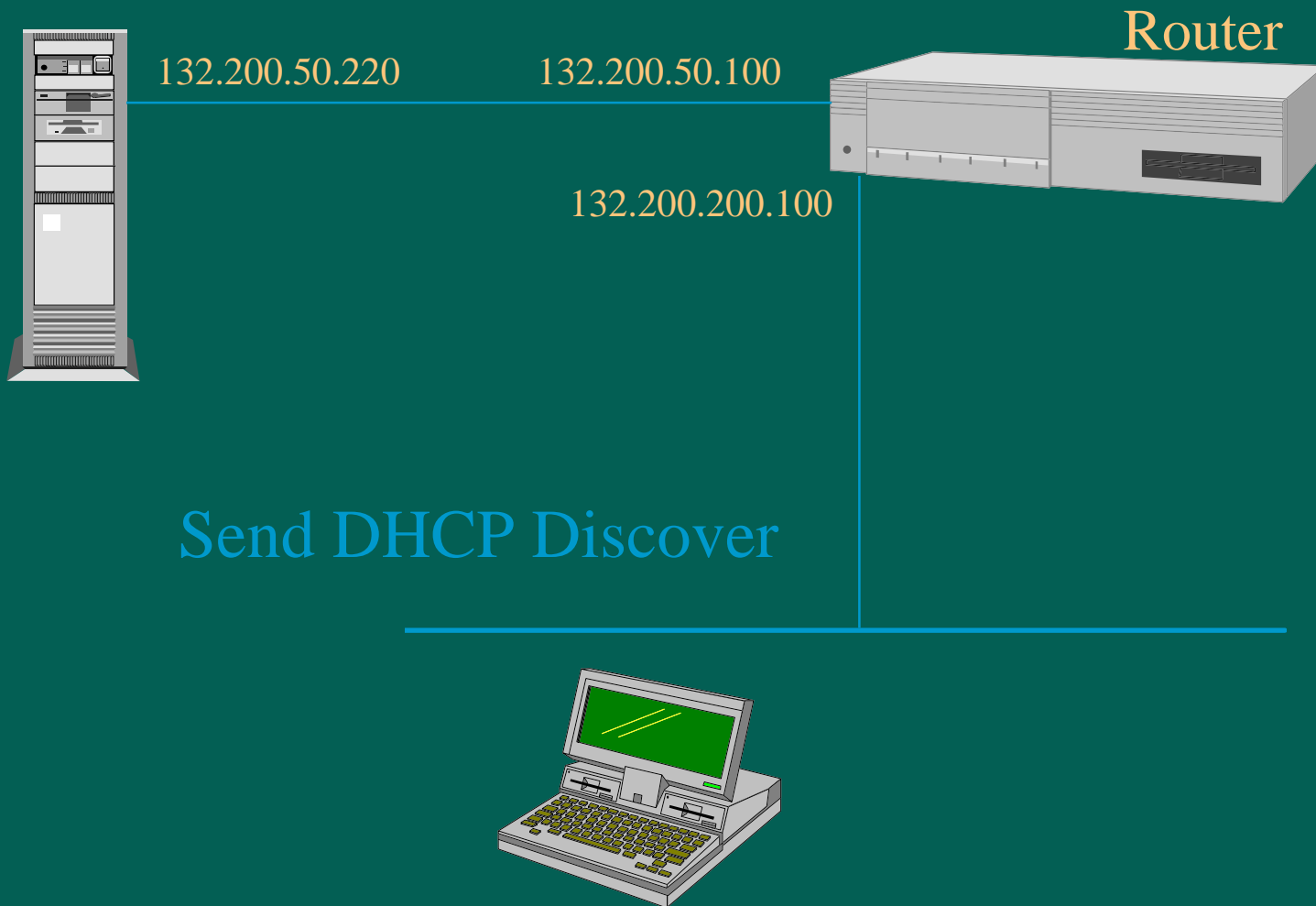
# IP Helper Address

Now let's look at the initialization process again, but using the IP Helper Address from a remote subnet

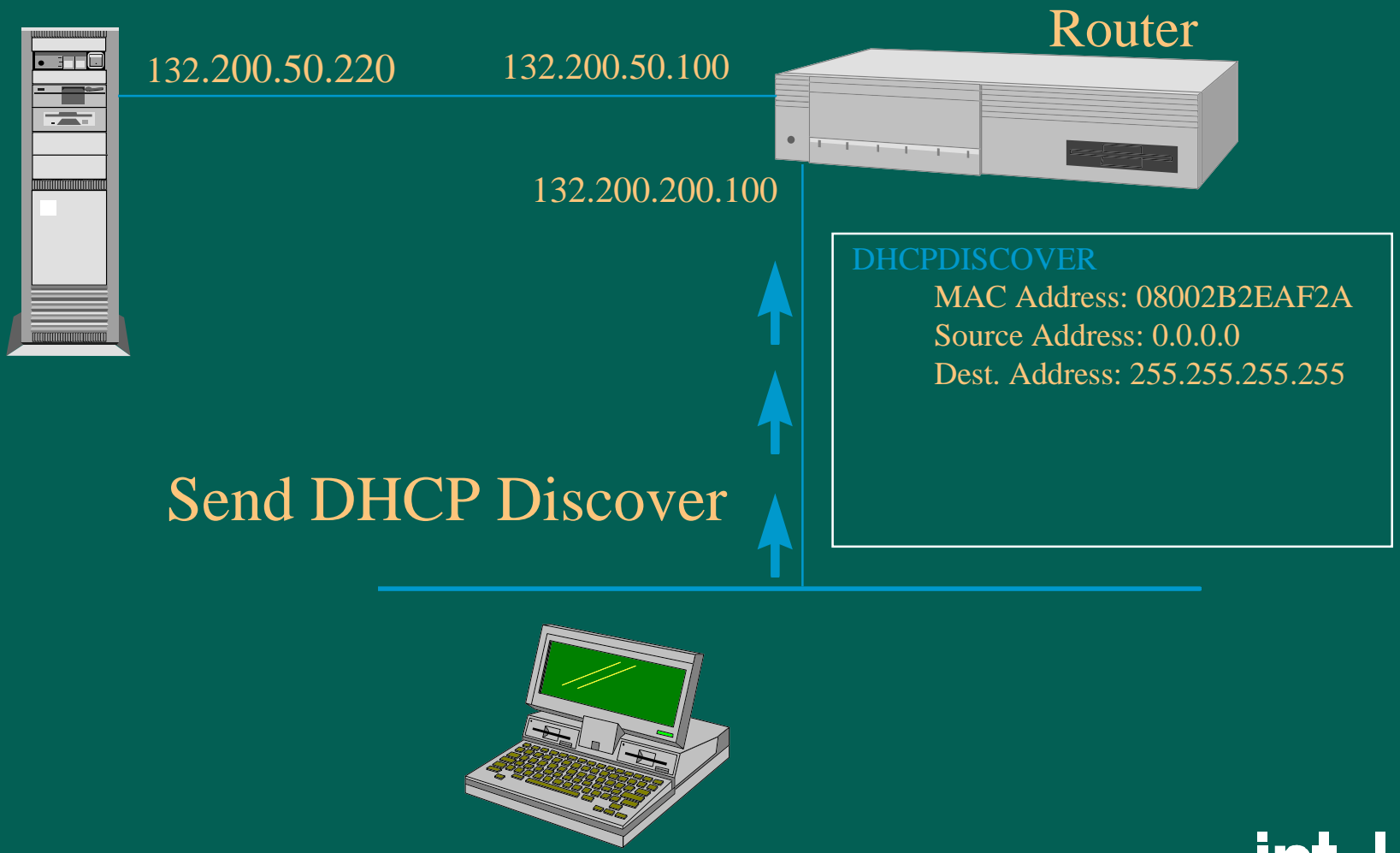




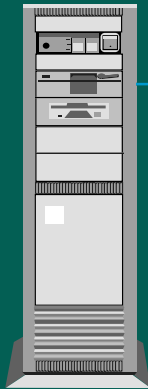
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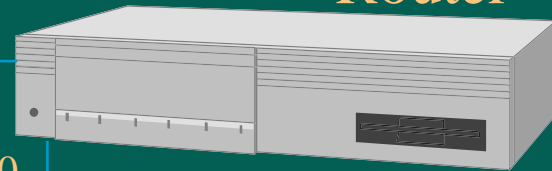
# IP Helper Address



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132.200.50.100

132.200.200.100



Router

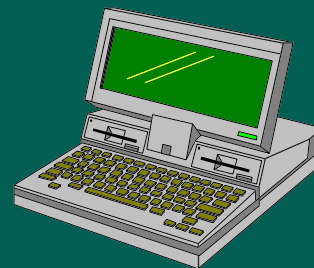
DHCPDISCOVER

MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A

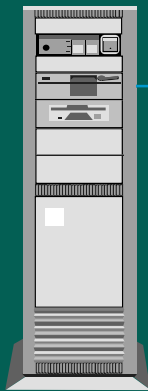
Source Address: 0.0.0.0

Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255

The router receives the DISCOVER, and inserts its interface address into a special field, (giaddr).

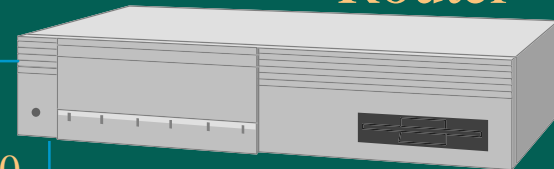


# IP Helper Address



132.200.50.220

132.200.50.100



Router

132.200.200.100

DHCPDISCOVER

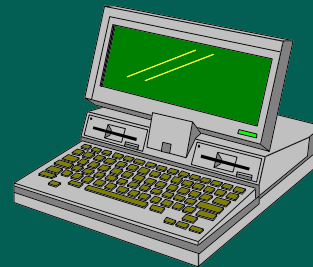
MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A

Source Address: 0.0.0.0

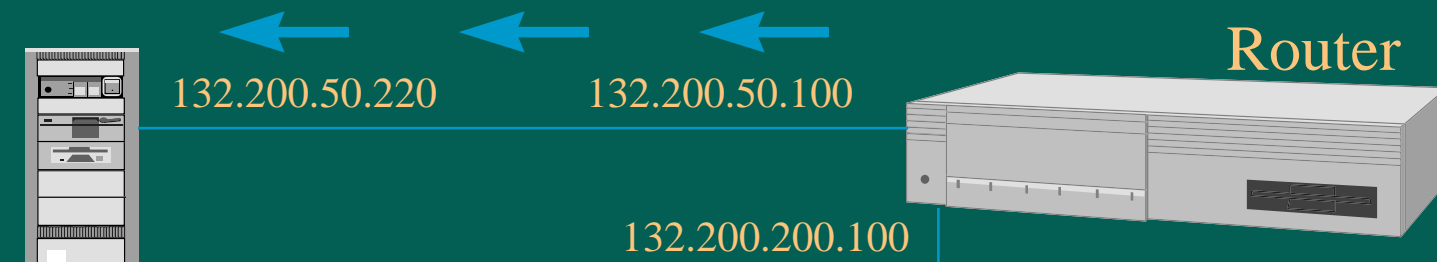
Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255

giaddr: 132.200.200.100

The router receives the DISCOVER, and inserts its own interface address into a special field, (giaddr).



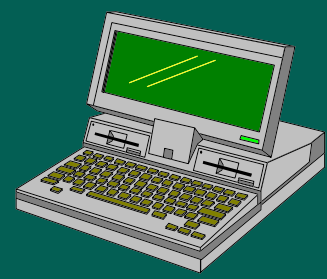
# IP Helper Address



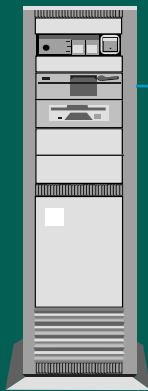
The router sends the modified DISCOVER directly to the DHCP server.

```
DHCPDISCOVER
Source Address: 132.200.200.100
Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255

giaddr: 132.200.200.100
chaddr: 08002B2EAF2A
(client MAC address)
```



# IP Helper Address

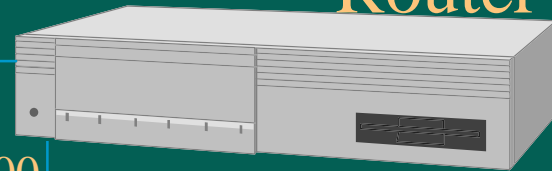


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132.200.200.100

Router



The server sees the “giaddr” field is not “0”, and uses it to determine the scope to use.

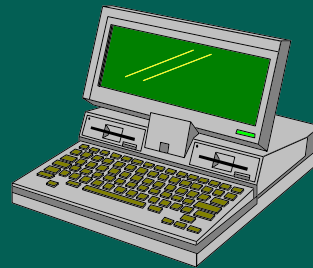
DHCPDISCOVER

Source Address: 132.200.200.100

Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255

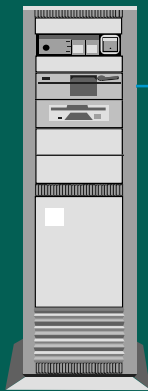
giaddr: 132.200.200.100

chaddr: 08002B2EAF2A  
(client MAC address)





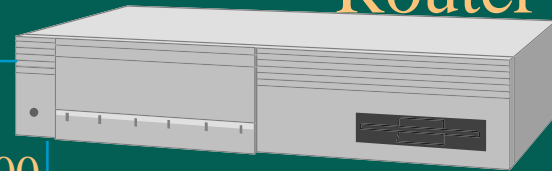
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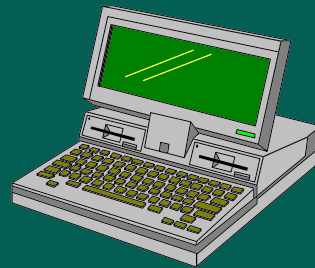
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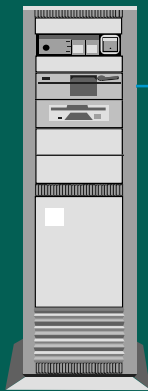
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The server prepares a  
DHCPOFFER.





# IP Helper Address

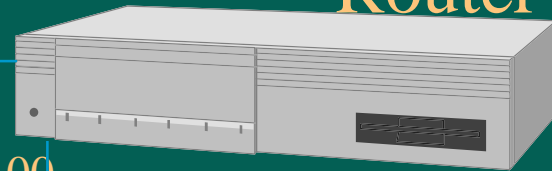


132.200.50.220

132.200.50.100

132.200.200.100

Router



The server prepares a  
DHCPOFFER.

## DHCPOFFER

Source Address: 132.200.50.220

Dest. Address: 132.200.200.100

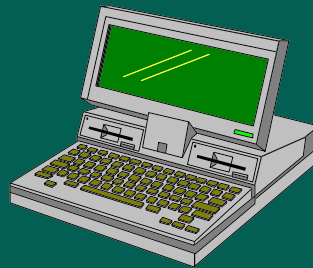
IP Address: 132.200.200.5

Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

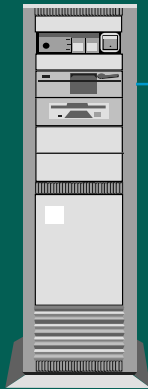
Server Identifier: 132. 200.50.220

MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A

Lease Length: 504 Hours



# IP Helper Address

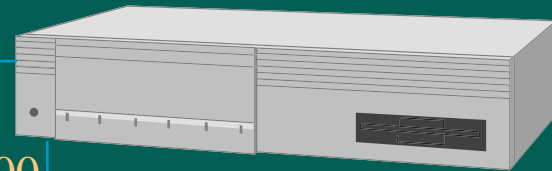


132.200.50.220

132.200.50.100

132.200.200.100

Router



The server prepares a **DHCPOFFER**, and sends it to the router interface, (giaddr).

## DHCPOFFER

Source Address: 132.200.50.220

Dest. Address: 132.200.200.100

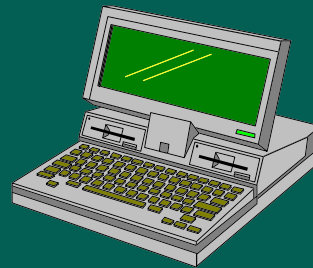
IP Address: 132.200.200.5

Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

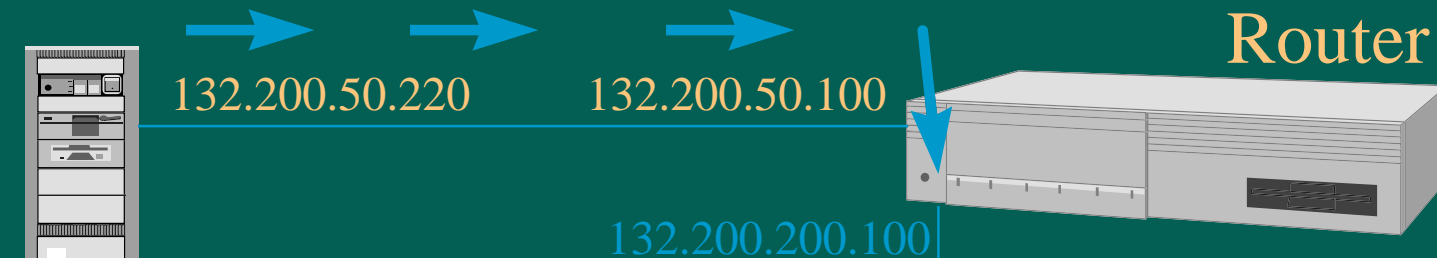
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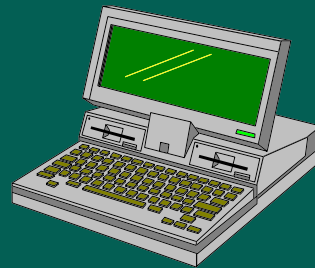
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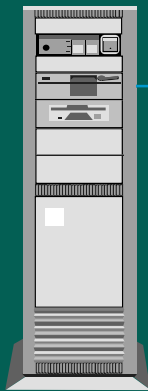
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## DHCPOFFER

Source Address: 132.200.50.220  
Dest. Address: 132.200.200.100  
IP Address: 132.200.200.5  
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0  
Server Identifier: 132. 200.50.220  
MAC Address: 08002B2EAF2A  
Lease Length: 504 Hours

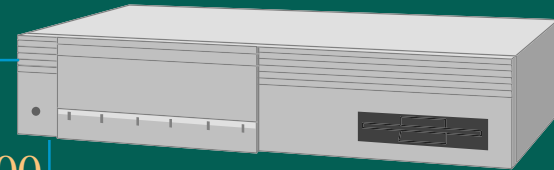


# IP Helper Address



132.200.50.220

132.200.50.100



Router

132.200.200.100



The router roadcasts  
the DHCPOFFER  
to the client's  
MAC address.

## DHCPOFFER

Source Address: 132.200.200.100

Dest. Address: 255.255.255.255

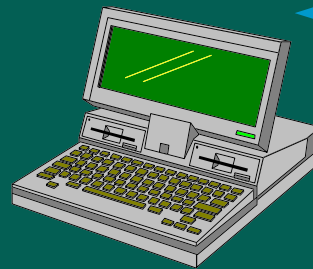
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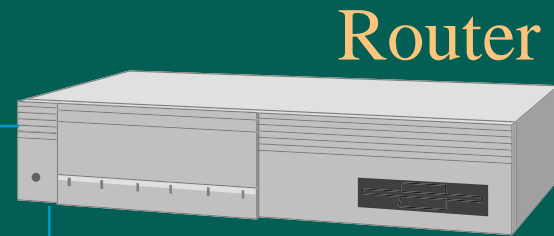
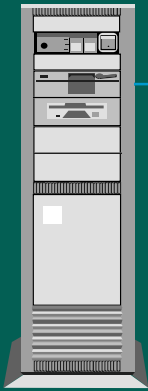
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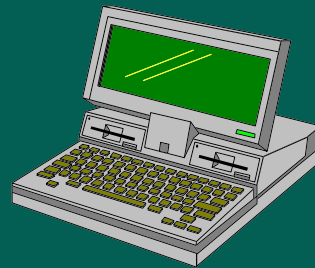
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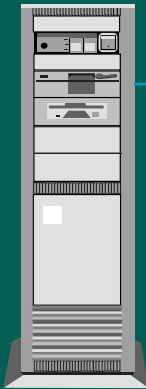
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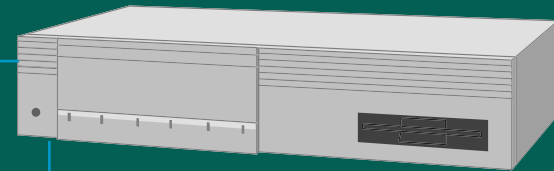


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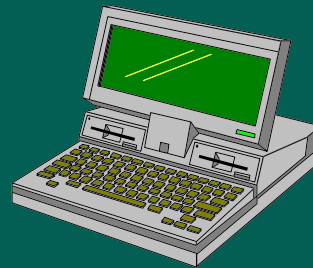


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Router



DHCPDISCOVER  
DHCPOFFER  
DHCPREQUEST  
DHCPACK  
DHCPRELEASE  
DHCPDECLINE  
DHCPNACK





# Agenda

- Setting Up the DHCP Servers
- A Client Gets an Address
- Client Lease Renewal
- A Client Moves to a New Subnet
- DHCP Message Summary
- IP Helper Address
- Where to Get More Information



# Where to get more information

- Microsoft Technet - search “DHCP”
- RFC 1533, 1534, 1541, and 1542

# Questions?