

## AN IMPLEMENTATION OF ADDRESS RESOLUTION PROTOCOL ALGORITHM OF CLASSICAL IP OVER ATM

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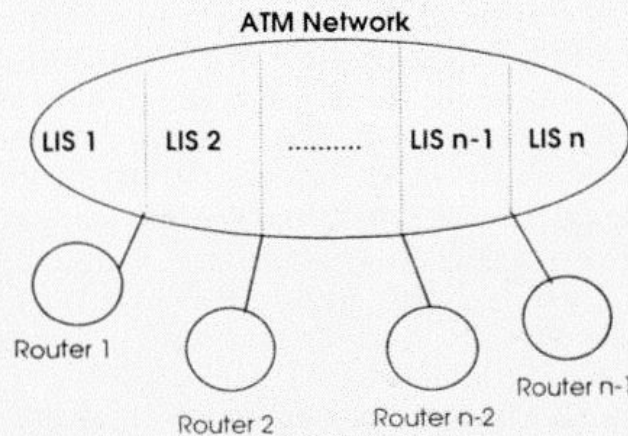
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**Abstract:** *This article describes Address Resolution Protocol Algorithm of Classical IP Over ATM (from now on we call ATMARP algorithm) in RFC 1577. We then present an implementation of this algorithm on TCP/IP networks.*

### 1. Introduction

Asynchronous Transfer Mode (from now on we call ATM) is a new and fast developing networking architecture and technology. It is obvious that ATM technology will lay an important role in the development of current networks. ATM delivers important advantages over existing LAN and WAN technologies, including the promise of scalable bandwidths at unprecedented price and performance points and Quality of Service (QoS) guarantees, which facilitate new classes of applications such as multimedia application.

This is the reason why people want to accelerate the ATM deploy and as a result, Classical IP Over ATM comes into being.



*Fig 1: Classical IP Over ATM*

Figure 1 shows the configuration of Classical IP Over ATM. As the name indicates, this model treats the ATM network as a number of separate IP subnets connected through routers. Such an IP subnet is called a logical subnet (LIS). A LIS has the following properties [1]

- i. End systems in a LIS share the same IP prefix and address mask
- ii. End systems in a LIS communicates with each other through end-to-end ATM connections.
- iii. End systems in deference LISs communicates with each other through a router.

As in (ii), when an end systems A want to communicates with end systems B it musts to know B's ATM address. Because there is not any way to calculate B's ATM address from its IP address, A must ask a Server which have a <ATM address, IP address map entry of B. From now on we call ATMARP Server because its function likes ARP Server on traditional networks. This process is illustrated in ATMARP Algorithm.

## 2. ATMARP Algorithm

### 2.1 ATMARP Server Operational Requirements

The ATMARP Server accepts ATM calls/connections from other ATM end point. At call setup and if the VC supports LLC/SNAP encapsulation, the ATMARP Server will transmit to the originating ATM station an InATMARP request (InARP-REQUEST) for each logical IP subnet the Server is configured to serve. After receiving an InATMARP reply (InARP-REPLY), the Server will examine the IP address and the ATM address. The Server will add (or update) the <ATM address, IP address> map entry and timestamp into its ATMARP table. If the InATMARP IP address duplicates a table entry IP address and the InATMARP ATM address does not match the table entry ATM address and there is an open VC associated with that table entry, the InATMARP information is discarded and no modifications to the table are made. ATMARP table entries persist until aged or invalidated. VC call tear down does not remove ATMARP table entries.

The ATMARP Server, upon receiving an ATMARP request (ARP-REQUEST) will generate the corresponding ATMARP reply (ARP-REPLY) if it has an entry in its ATMARP table. Otherwise it will generate a negative ATMARP reply (ARP-NAK). The ARP-NAK response is an extension to the ATMARP protocol and is used to improve the robustness of the ATMARP Server mechanism. With ARP-NAK, a Client can determine the difference between a catastrophic Server failure and an ATMARP table lookup failure. The ARP-NAK packet format is the same as the received ARP-REQUEST packet format with the operation code set to ARP-NAK, i.e., the ARP-REQUEST packet data is merely copied for transmission with the ARP-REQUEST operation code reset to ARP-NAK.

Updating the ATMARP table information timeout, the short form: when the Server receives an ATMARP request over a VC, where the source IP and ATM address match the association already in the ATMARP table and the ATM address matches that associated with the VC, the Server may update the timeout on the source ATMARP table entry: i.e. if the Client is sending ATMARP requests to the Server over the same VC that it used to register its ATMARP entry, the Server should examine the ATMARP requests and note that the Client is still "alive" by updating the timeout on the Client's ATMARP table entry.

### 2.2 ATMARP Client Operational Requirements

The ATMARP Client is responsible for contacting the ATMARP Server to register its own ATMARP information and to gain and refresh its own ATMARP entry/information about other IP members. This means, as noted above, that ATMARP Clients MUST be configured with the ATM address of the ATMARP Server. ATMARP Clients MUST:

1. Initiate the VC connection to the ATMARP Server for transmitting and receiving ATMARP and InATMARP packets.
2. Respond to ARP-REQUEST and InARP-REQUEST packets received on an

VC appropriately.

3. Generate and transmit ARP-REQUEST packets to the ATMARP Server and to process ARP-REPLY and ARP-NAK packets from the Server appropriately. ARP-REPLY packets should be used to build/refresh its own Client ATMARP table entries.

4. Generate and transmit InARP-REQUEST packets as needed and to process InARP-REPLY packets appropriately. InARP-REPLY packets should be used to build/refresh its own Client ATMARP table entries.

5. Provide an ATMARP table aging function to remove its own old Client ATMARP table entries after a convenient period of time.

Note: if the Client does not maintain an open VC to the Server, the Client MUST refresh its ATMARP information with the Server at least once every 20 minutes. This is done by opening a VC to the Server and exchanging the initial InATMARP packets.

### ***2.3 ATMARP Table Aging***

An ATMARP Client or Server MUST have knowledge of any open VCs it has (permanent or switched), their association with an ATMARP table entry, and in particular, which VCs support LLC/SNAP encapsulation.

Client ATMARP table entries are valid for a maximum time of 15 minutes.

Server ATMARP table entries are valid for a minimum time of 20 minutes.

Prior to aging an ATMARP table entry, an ATMARP Server MUST generate an InARP-REQUEST on any open VC associated with that entry. If an InARP-REPLY is received, that table entry is updated and not deleted.

If there is no open VC associated with the table entry, the entry is deleted.

When an ATMARP table entry ages, an ATMARP Client MUST invalidate the table entry. If there is no open VC associated with the invalidated entry, that entry is deleted. In the case of an invalidated entry and an open VC, the ATMARP Client must revalidate the entry prior to transmitting any non address resolution traffic on that VC. In the case of a PVC, the Client validates the entry by transmitting an InARP-REQUEST and updating the entry on receipt of an InARP-REPLY. In the case of an SVC, the Client validates the entry by transmitting an ARP-REQUEST to the ATMARP Server and updating the entry on receipt of an ARP-REPLY. If a VC with an associated invalidated ATMARP table entry is closed, that table entry is removed.

Following is two programs illustrating the above algorithm in TCP/IP network.

## **3. Implementing ATMARP Algorithm**

### ***3.1 ATMARP Server program***

Illustration ATMARP Server and ATMARP Client programs are built by Delphi 3.0 of Borland Inc with ServerSocket and ClientSocket Components.

ATMARP Server was configured with unreal ATM address and a IP subnet mask which are served by this Server. These parameters can be modify during Server's operation and are stored on INI file of Windows 95 system. ATMARP Server program uses a timer which count down 2 seconds each times. If there is any map entry that requires to refresh this timer will run a procedure to refresh it.

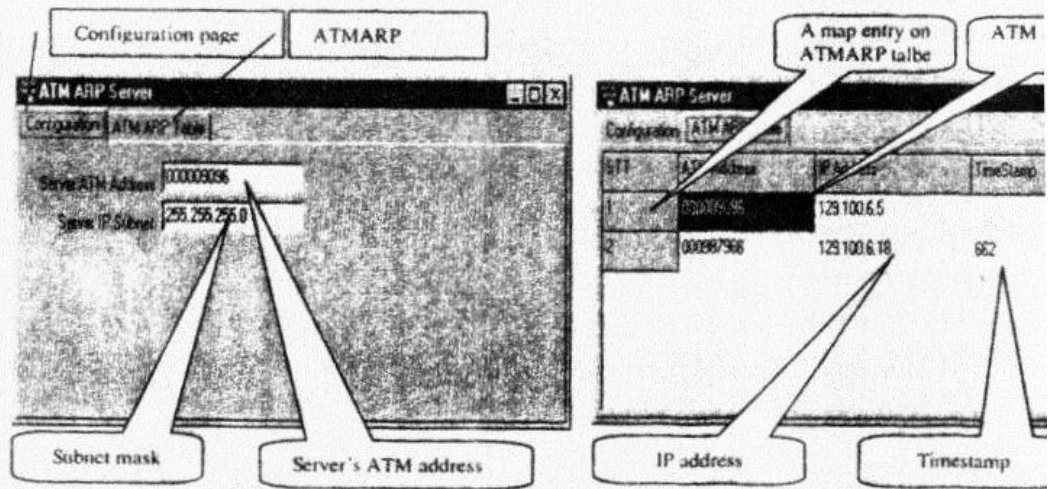
On initializing, the program will listen to port 1998. If there is a connection from network it will add ATM address, IP address and timestamp that are sent by Client.

Timestamp in this case is a variable counting down to zero. If timestamp equals zero the associated map entry will be refreshed. ATMARP Server refreshes its map entry by sending a refresh request to its Client.

If there is an ARP-REQUEST, Server program will examine ATMARP table, if it found a map entry it will send that ATM address to Client, otherwise a "Not found" string will be sent.

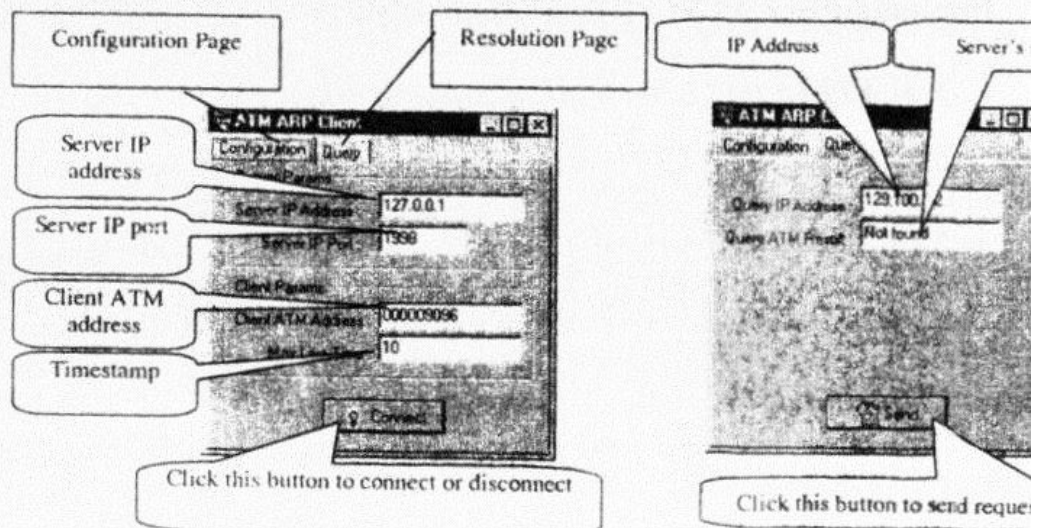
Because full program text is larger than 20 A4 pages, we have to present here a reduced program with the most important codes which are initializing process, Server socket's event handlers. This is the most important part of ATMARP Server program. Full version of these programs can be found in master thesis "Asynchronous Transfer Mode and Internetworking methods". We use TStringGrid type for ATMARP Table to show ATMARP table on the screen.

ATMARP Server program's Interface are (refer to appendix for reduced source code):



### 3.2 ATMARP Client program

ATMARP Client was configured with unreal ATM address, timestamp and Server port and IP address. These parameters can be modified during Client's operation and are stored in an INI file of Windows 95 system. As stated above, we have to present here a reduced program with the most important codes which are initializing process, Client socket's event handlers, "send" and "connect" button process. ATMARP Client program Interface are (refer to appendix for reduced source code):



#### 4. Conclusion

Although these programs are not full function versions of ATMARP algorithm due to network environment, they show detail operations of ATMARP algorithm. One advantage of this algorithm is the resolution  $IP \leftrightarrow ATM$  address does not require another resolution- $IP \leftrightarrow MAC \leftrightarrow ATM$  so that processing time, network complexity and network traffics can be reduce. LANE and MPOA haven't made use of this advantage yet.

#### 5. Appendix

##### 5.1 Reduced ATMARP Server source code

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// This is initializing process of ATMARP Server program
procedure TfmMain.FormCreate(Sender: TObject);
var
  str : String;
  Inifile : TIniFile;
  i : Integer;
begin
  str := Application.Exename;
  Appdir := ExtractFilePath(Str);
  Str := ExtractFilename(Str);
  Appname := copy(str, 1, pos('.', str)-1);
  // listen to port 1998
  PortNumber := 1998;
  ServerSocket.Port := PortNumber;
  // Start to listen
  ServerSocket.Open;
  // Label ATMARP talbe on the stringgrid
  ATMARPTable.cells[0, 0] := 'STT';
  ATMARPTable.cells[1, 0] := 'ATM Address';
  ATMARPTable.cells[2, 0] := 'IP Address';
  ATMARPTable.cells[3, 0] := 'TimeStamp';
  // Read Server parameters on INI file
  try
    Inifile := TIniFile.Create(Appdir + appname + '.Ini');
    ATMAddress := Inifile.ReadString('Configuration',
    'ATMAddress', '0000000000');
    IPSubnet := Inifile.ReadString('Configuration', 'IPSubnet',
    '255.255.0.0');
    IPAddress := ServerSocket.Socket.LocalAddress;
    edATMAddress.Text := ATMAddress;
    edIPSubnet.Text := IPSubnet;
  // The first map entry is Server's address itself
  ARPEntary := 1;
  ATMARPTable.cells[0, ARPEntary] := IntToStr(ARPEntary);
  ATMARPTable.cells[1, ARPEntary] := ATMAddress;
  ATMARPTable.cells[2, ARPEntary] := IPAddress;
  finally
    IniFile.Free;
  end;
end;
  // This is Server socket accepting connection event's event handle from Client
procedure TfmMain.ServerSocketAccept(Sender: TObject;
  Socket: TCustomWinSocket);
begin
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    ATMARPTable.cells[2, 1] := Socket.LocalAddress;
end;
// This is Server socket disconnect event's event handle when Client disconnects
procedure TfmMain.ServerSocketClientDisconnect(Sender: TObject;
    Socket: TCustomWinSocket);
var
    I, J : Integer;
begin
// Erase associate map entry of Client on ATMARP table
    IPAddress := Socket.RemoteAddress;
    I := 1;
    while (ATMARPTable.cells[2, I] <> IPAddress)
        and (I <= ATMARPTable.RowCount - 1) do Inc(I);
    if I <= ATMARPTable.RowCount - 1 then
        for J := I to ATMARPTable.Rowcount - 2 do
            begin
                ATMARPTable.cells[0, J] := IntToStr(I);
                ATMARPTable.cells[1, J] := ATMARPTable.cells[1, J + 1];
                ATMARPTable.cells[2, J] := ATMARPTable.cells[2, J + 1];
                ATMARPTable.cells[3, J] := ATMARPTable.cells[3, J + 1];
            end;
        ATMARPTable.Rowcount := ATMARPTable.Rowcount - 1;
    end;
// This is Server socket's event handle for messages from Client
procedure TfmMain.ServerSocketClientRead(Sender: TObject;
    Socket: TCustomWinSocket);
var
    I : Integer;
    IP, Subnet : LongInt;
begin
    Value := Socket.ReceiveText;
// if messages is new Client registration then register Client
    if ReturnStr(#9, Value, 1) = 'New Client Registration' then
        begin
            ATMAddress := ReturnStr(#9, Value, 2);
            IPAddress := ReturnStr(#9, Value, 3);
            Maxlifetime := StrToInt(ReturnStr(#9, Value, 4));
            ATMARPTable.RowCount := ATMARPTable.RowCount + 1;
            ARPEntree := ATMARPTable.Rowcount - 1;
            ATMARPTable.cells[0, ARPEntree] := IntToStr(ARPEntree);
            ATMARPTable.cells[1, ARPEntree] := ATMAddress;
            ATMARPTable.cells[2, ARPEntree] := IPAddress;
            ATMARPTable.cells[3, ARPEntree] := IntToStr(MaxLiveTime)
        end;
// if message is refresh request's reply then refresh map entry
    if ReturnStr(#9, Value, 1) = 'Refresh Reply' then
        begin
            I := 1;
            while (ATMARPTable.cells[2, I] <> IPAddress)
                and (I <= ATMARPTable.RowCount - 1) do Inc(I);
            if I > ATMARPTable.RowCount - 1 then exit;
            ATMAddress := ReturnStr(#9, Value, 2);
            IPAddress := ReturnStr(#9, Value, 3);
            Maxlifetime := StrToInt(ReturnStr(#9, Value, 4));

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    ATMARPTable.cells[1, I] := ATMAddress;
    ATMARPTable.cells[2, I] := IPAddress;
    ATMARPTable.cells[3, I] := IntToStr(MaxLiveTime);
end;
// if message is ARP query then answer
if ReturnStr(#9, Value, 1) = 'Client ARP Query' then
begin
    IPAddress := ReturnStr(#9, Value, 3);
    if (StrIPtoHexIP(IPAddress) and StrIPtoHexIP(IPSubnet))
        <> (StrIPtoHexIP(ATMARPTable.cells[2, 1])
            and StrIPtoHexIP(IPSubnet)) then
        begin
            Socket.SendText('Server Answer Client ARP Query :'+ #9 +
                'Wrong IP Subnet');
            exit;
        end;
    I := 1;
    while (ATMARPTable.cells[2, I] <> IPAddress)
        and (I <= ATMARPTable.RowCount - 1) do Inc(I);
    if I > ATMARPTable.RowCount - 1 then
        Socket.SendText('Server Answer Client ARP Query :'+ #9
            + 'Not Found')
    else Socket.SendText('Server Answer Client ARP Query :'+ #9
        + ATMARPTable.Cells[1, I]);

end;
end;

// This is timer's event to refresh map entry by sending message to Client
procedure TfmMain.TimerTimer(Sender: TObject);
var
    I : Integer;
begin
    For I := 2 to ATMARPTable.RowCount - 1 do
    begin
        ATMARPTable.cells[3, ARPEntry] := IntToStr(
            StrToInt(ATMARPTable.cells[3, ARPEntry]) - 2);
        if StrToInt(ATMARPTable.cells[3, ARPEntry]) <= 0 then
        begin
            if StrToInt(ATMARPTable.cells[3, ARPEntry]) <= - 120 then
                ServerSocket.Socket.Connections[I - 2].Close
            Else
                ServerSocket.Socket.Connections[I - 2].SendText(
                    'Refresh Please');
        end;
    end;
end;
end;

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## 2 Reduced ATMARP Client source code

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procedure TfmMain.FormCreate(Sender: TObject);
var
    str      : String;
    Inifile  : TIniFile;
    i        : Integer;
begin

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str := Application.Exename;
Appdir := ExtractFilePath(Str);
Str := ExtractFilename(Str);
Appname := copy(str, 1, pos('.', str)-1);
// Read client program's parameters in INI file
try
  Inifile := TIniFile.Create(Appdir + appname + '.Ini');
  ServerIPAddress := Inifile.ReadString('Configuration',
    'ServerIPAddress', '129.100.6.5');
  ServerIPPort := Inifile.ReadInteger('Configuration',
    'ServerIPPort', 1998);
  ClientATMAddress := Inifile.ReadString('Configuration',
    'ClientATMAddress', '0000000000');
  MaxliveTime := Inifile.ReadInteger('Configuration',
    'MaxLiveTime', 900);
  edServerIPAddress.Text := ServerIPAddress;
  edServerIPPort.Text := IntToStr(ServerIPPort);
  edClientATMAddress.Text := ClientATMAddress;
  edMaxliveTime.Text := IntToStr(MaxLiveTime);
finally
  IniFile.Free;
end;
end;
// This is Client socket's event handle for Server acceptance event
procedure TfmMain.ClientSocketConnect(Sender: TObject;
  Socket: TCustomWinSocket);
begin
  // Register Client IP, ATM address and timestamp...
  Socket.SendText('New Client Registration'+#9 + ClientATMAddress +
    #9 + ClientSocket.Socket.LocalAddress +
    #9 + IntToStr(MaxLiveTime));
end;
// This is event handle for " send' buuton
procedure TfmMain.btSendClick(Sender: TObject);
begin
  ClientSocket.Socket.SendText('Client ARP Query'+ #9 +
    ClientATMAddress + #9 + edQueryIPAddress.Text +
    #9 + IntToStr(MaxLiveTime));
end;
// This is event handle for messages from Server
procedure TfmMain.ClientSocketRead(Sender: TObject;
  Socket: TCustomWinSocket);
begin
  // if this messages is ARP_REQUEST reply then process it
  Value := Socket.ReceiveText;
  if ReturnStr(#9, Value, 1) = 'Server Answer Client ARP Query :'
  then
    begin
      edQueryATMResult.Text := ReturnStr(#9, Value, 2);
    end;
  if Pos('Refresh Please', Value) = 1 then
    begin
      // if this message is refresh reply
      Socket.SendText('Refresh Reply'+ #9 + ClientATMAddress +

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        #9 + ClientSocket.Socket.LocalAddress +
        #9 + IntToStr(MaxLiveTime));
    end;
end;
// This is event handle for "connect" button
procedure TfmMain.btConnectClick(Sender: TObject);
begin
    if btConnect.Caption = 'Connect' then
    begin
        ClientSocket.Address := edServerIPAddress.Text;
        ClientSocket.Port := StrToInt(edServerIPPort.Text);
        ClientSocket.Open;
        btConnect.Caption := 'Disconnect';
    end else
    begin
        ClientSocket.Close;
        btConnect.Caption := 'Connect';
    end;
end;
end;

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## MỘT CÀI ĐẶT THUẬT TOÁN PHÂN GIẢI ĐỊA CHỈ CỦA GIAO THỨC KẾT NỐI IP-ATM

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Bài báo trình bày về thuật toán phân giải địa chỉ của giao thức kết nối liên mạng IP-ATM (Classical IP Over ATM) trong RFC 1577. Sau đó đưa ra một cài đặt cụ thể của thuật toán này trên môi trường mạng TCP/IP.