Lab 1.5.3 Introductory Lab 3 – Access Control List Basics and Extended Ping

Objective

This lab activity reviews the basics of standard and extended access lists, which are used extensively in the CCNP curriculum.

Scenario

The LAN users connected to the Vista router are concerned about access to the network from hosts on network 10.0.0.0. A standard access list must be used to block all access to the Vista LAN from network 10.0.0.0 /24.

Also, an extended ACL must be used to block network 192.168.3.0 host access to Web servers on the 10.0.0.0 /24 network.

Step 1

Build and configure the network according to the diagram. Use RIPv1, and enable updates on all active interfaces with the appropriate network commands. The commands necessary to configure SanJose1 are shown in the following example:

SanJose1(config)#router rip
SanJose1(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0
SanJose1(config-router)#network 10.0.0.0

Use the ping command to verify the work and test connectivity between all interfaces.
Step 2

Check the routing table on Vista using the `show ip route` command. Vista should have all four networks in the routing table. Troubleshoot, if necessary.

**Access Control List Basics**

Access Control Lists (ACLs) are simple but powerful tools. When the access list is configured, each statement in the list is processed by the router in the order in which it was created. If an individual packet meets a statement's criteria, the permit or deny is applied to that packet, and no further list entries are checked. Each packet starts at the top of the list, every time.

It is not possible to reorder an access list, skip statements, edit statements, or delete statements from a numbered access list, while in the router configuration mode. With numbered access lists, any attempt to delete a single statement results in deletion of the entire list. Named ACLs (NACLs) do allow for the deletion of individual statements. It is suggested that ACLs, of all kinds, be created in an off-line editor and pasted into the configuration.

The following concepts apply to both standard and extended access lists:

**Two step process**

The access list may be created with one or more `access-list` commands while in global configuration mode. Second, the access list is applied to or referenced by other commands, such as the `ip access-group` command which applies the ACL to an interface. An example would be the following:

```
Vista#config terminal
Vista(config)#access-list 50 deny 10.0.0.0 0.0.0.255
Vista(config)#access-list 50 permit any
Vista(config)#interface fastethernet 0/0
Vista(config-if)#ip access-group 50 out
Vista(config-if)#^Z
```

**Syntax and Keywords**

The basic syntax for creating an access list entry is as follows:

```
router(config)#access-list # {permit | deny}ip address wildcard mask
```

The `permit` command allows packets matching the specified criteria to be accepted for whatever application the access list is being used for. The `deny` command discards packets matching the criteria on that line.

Two important keywords, `any` and `host`, can be used with IP addresses and the access list. The keyword `any` matches all hosts on all networks, equivalent to `0.0.0.0 255.255.255.255`. The keyword `host` can be used with an IP address to indicate a single host address. The syntax is `host ip address` (`host 192.168.1.10`). This is the same as entering `192.168.1.10 0.0.0.0`.

**Implicit deny statement**

Every access list contains a final "deny" statement that matches all packets. This is called the implicit deny. Because the implicit deny statement is not visible in `show` command output, it is often overlooked, with serious consequences. As an example, consider the following single-line access list:

```
Router(config)#access-list 75 deny host 192.168.1.10
```

Access-list 75 clearly denies all traffic sourced from the host, 192.168.1.10. What might not be obvious is that all other traffic will be discarded as well. This is because the implicit `deny any` is the final statement in any access list.
At least one permit statement is required
There is no requirement that an ACL contain a deny statement. If nothing else, the implicit deny any statement takes care of that. But if there are no permit statements, the effect will be the same as if there were only a single deny any statement.

Wildcard mask
In identifying IP addresses, ACLs use a wildcard mask instead of a subnet mask. Initially, the masks might look the same, but closer observation reveals that they are very different. Remember that a binary 0 in a wildcard mask instructs the router to match the corresponding bit in the IP address.

In/out
When deciding whether an ACL should be applied to inbound or outbound traffic, always view things from the perspective of the router. In other words, determine whether traffic is coming into the router, inbound, or leaving the router, outbound.

Applying ACLs
Extended ACLs should be applied as close to the source as possible, thereby conserving network resources. Standard ACLs, by necessity, must be applied as close to the destination as possible. This is because the standard ACL can match only at the source address of a packet.

Step 3
On the Vista router, create the following standard ACL and apply it to the LAN interface:

```
Vista#config terminal
Vista(config)#access-list 50 deny 10.0.0.0 0.0.0.255
Vista(config)#access-list 50 permit any
Vista(config)#interface fastethernet 0/0
Vista(config-if)#ip access-group 50 out
Vista(config-if)#^Z
```

Try pinging 192.168.3.2 from SanJose1.

The ping should be successful. This result might be surprising, because all traffic from the 10.0.0.0/8 network was just blocked. The ping is successful because, even though it came from SanJose1, it is not sourced from the 10.0.0.0/8 network. A ping or traceroute from a router uses the closest interface to the destination as the source address. Therefore, the ping is coming from the 192.168.1.0/24, SanJose1's Serial 0/0.

```
SanJose1#ping 192.168.3.2
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.3.2, timeout is 2 seconds:
!!!!!
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 4/4/4 ms
```

Step 4
In order to test the ACL from SanJose1, the extended ping command must be used to specify a source interface as follows:

On SanJose1, issue the following commands:

```
SanJose1#ping
Protocol [ip]:
Target IP address: 192.168.3.2
Repeat count [5]:
Datagram size [100]:
Timeout in seconds [2]:
Extended commands [n]: y
Source address or interface: 10.0.0.1
Type of service [0]:
Set DF bit in IP header? [no]:
```
Validate reply data? [no]:
Data pattern [0xABCD]:
Loose, Strict, Record, Timestamp, Verbose [none]:
Sweep range of sizes [n]:
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.3.2, timeout is 2 seconds:
.....
Success rate is 0 percent (0/5)

Step 5

Standard ACLs are numbered 1 - 99. IOS version 12.xx allows additional numbering from 1300 - 1699. Extended ACLs are numbered 100 - 199. IOS version 12.xx allows additional numbering from 2000 - 2699. Extended ACLs can be used to enforce highly specific criteria for filtering packets. In this step, configure an extended ACL to block access to a Web server. Before proceeding, issue the no access-list 50 and no ip access-group 50 commands on the Vista router to remove the ACL configured previously.

First, configure both SanJose1 and SanJose2 to act as Web servers, by using the ip http server command, as shown in the following:

SanJose1(config)#ip http server
SanJose2(config)#ip http server

From the workstation at 192.168.3.2, use a Web browser to view both Web servers on the router at 10.0.0.1 and 10.0.0.2. The Web login requires that the enable secret password for the router be entered as the password.

After verifying Web connectivity between the workstation and the routers, proceed to Step 6.

Step 6

On the Vista router, enter the following commands:

Vista(config)#access-list 101 deny tcp 192.168.3.0 0.0.0.255 10.0.0.0 0.0.0.255 eq www
Vista(config)#access-list 101 deny tcp 192.168.3.0 0.0.0.255 any eq ftp
Vista(config)#access-list 101 permit ip any any
Vista(config)#interface fastethernet 0/0
Vista(config-if)#ip access-group 101 in

From the workstation at 192.168.3.2, again attempt to view the Web servers at 10.0.0.1 and 10.0.0.2. Both attempts should fail.

Next, browse SanJose1 at 192.168.1.2. Why is this not blocked?