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SE 4C03 Winter 2003

Lab Exercise 1

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Working together, you and your assigned team members will configure, secure, and administer a host on the Little Internet running Redhat Linux. This exercise is the first step.

1. The password for the root account will be `se4c03.n` where *n* is your host number. Change this password to a good password that you will not forget. Do not use the root account except for administrative tasks that require root privileges.
2. Create password-protected user accounts for you and your partner(s) using `linuxconf`. Also create password-protected user accounts named `intruder` and `instructor`. The `intruder` will be used by nonteam members to log into your host, while the `instructor` will be used for marking by the instructor and the TAs. Set the default shell for both accounts to `tcsh`. The password of `intruder` should be `letmein`, but choose a good password for the `instructor` account. Write the password of the account `instructor` here:

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3. From the Specification of the Little Internet, draw a picture of the 36 computers, 6 hubs, 36 host-to-hub cables, and 18 host-to-host cables that constitute the Little Internet. Show what IP addresses are assigned to the network interfaces.

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4. Turn on IP forwarding (“Enable routing”) on your host using `linuxconf`.

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5. Set the hostname of your host to `hostn.mcmaster.ca` using `linuxconf` where *n* is your host number.

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6. Set the IP address and subnet mask for both Ethernet network interfaces using `ifconfig`. Do not use `linuxconf` to do this. Put a copy of the `ifconfig` commands you used in the `/etc/rc.local` file so that they are executed when your host is rebooted. Make sure that the `/etc/rc.local` file is readable by `instructor`. When you are done, use `ifconfig` to verify that your workstation has three active, correctly configured network interfaces, one loopback and two Ethernet.

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For your team’s lab report, hand in this sheet, your picture of the Little Internet, and a copy of each team member’s log book.