

# Network Layer and Data Center Topologies

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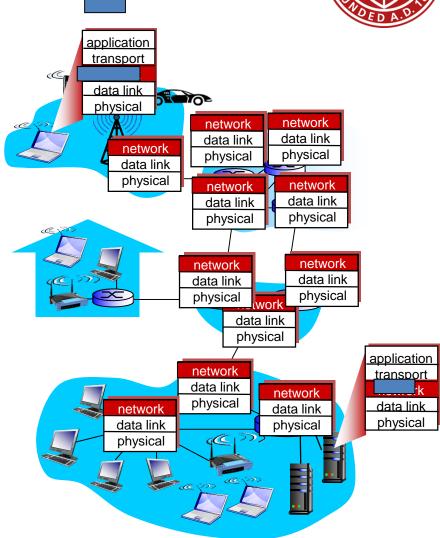
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- transport segment from sending to receiving host
- on sending side encapsulates segments into datagrams
- on receiving side, delivers segments to transport layer
- network layer protocols in every host, router
- router examines header fields in all IP datagrams passing through it



#### Two key functions



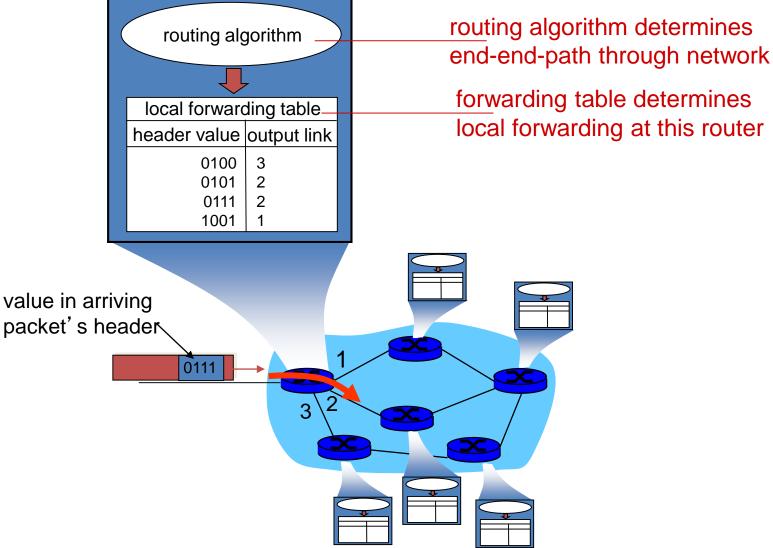
- forwarding: move packets from router's input to appropriate router output
- routing: determine route taken by packets from source to dest.
  - routing algorithms

#### analogy:

- routing: process of planning trip from source to dest
- forwarding: process of getting through single interchange



#### Interplay between routing and forwarding



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- Connection, Connection-less services *Adtagram* network provides network-layer *connectionless* service
  - virtual-circuit network provides network-layer connection service
  - Analogous to TCP/UDP connecton-oriented / connectionless transport-layer services, but:
    - service: host-to-host
    - no choice: network provides one or the other
    - implementation: in network core



#### Virtual Circuits (VC)

- "source-to-dest path behaves much like telephone circuit"
  - performance-wise
  - network actions along source-to-dest path
- call setup, teardown for each call *before* data can flow
- each packet carries VC identifier (not destination host address)
- every router on source-dest path maintains "state" for each passing connection
- link, router resources (bandwidth, buffers) may be allocated to VC (dedicated resources = predictable service)



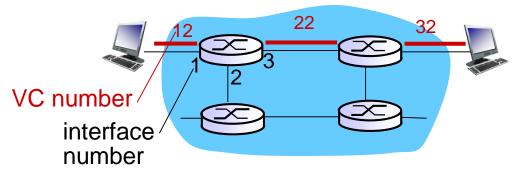
#### Virtual Circuits (VC) implementation

#### a VC consists of:

- 1. path from source to destination
- 2. VC numbers, one number for each link along path
- 3. entries in forwarding tables in routers along path
- packet belonging to VC carries VC number (rather than dest address)
- VC number can be changed on each link.
  - new VC number comes from forwarding table

#### Virtual Circuits (VC) forwarding table





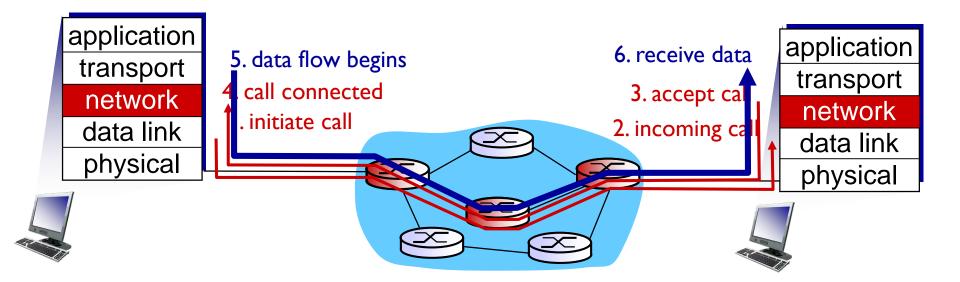
# forwarding table in northwest router:

Incoming interface	Incoming VC #	Outgoing interface	Outgoing VC #
1	12	3	22
2	63	1	18
3	7	2	17
1	97	3	87

VC routers maintain connection state information!

#### Virtual Circuits (VC) signaling protocol

- used to setup, maintain teardown VC
- used in ATM, frame-relay, X.25
- not used in today's Internet



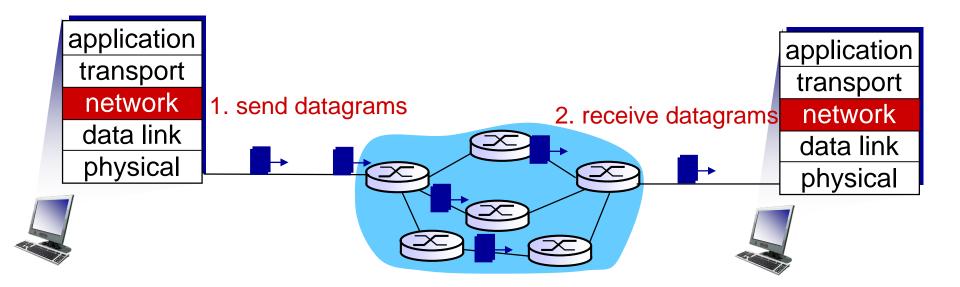


#### **Datagram Networks**

- no call setup at network layer
- routers: no state about end-to-end connections

- no network-level concept of "connection"

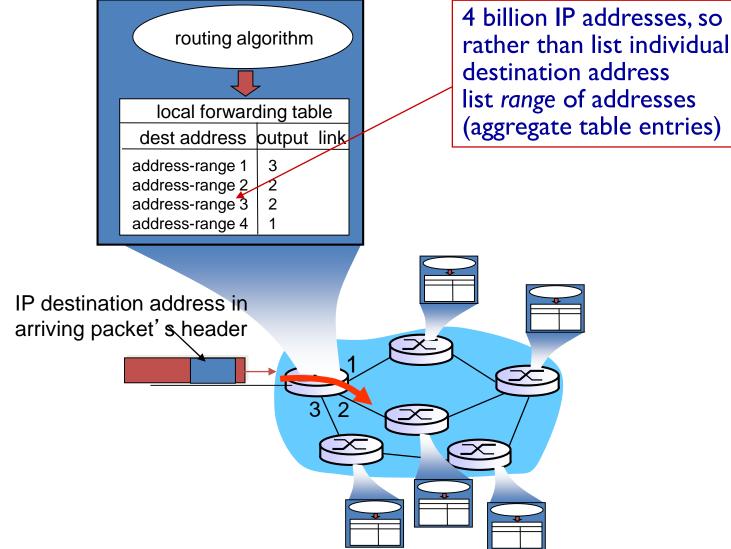
packets forwarded using destination host address



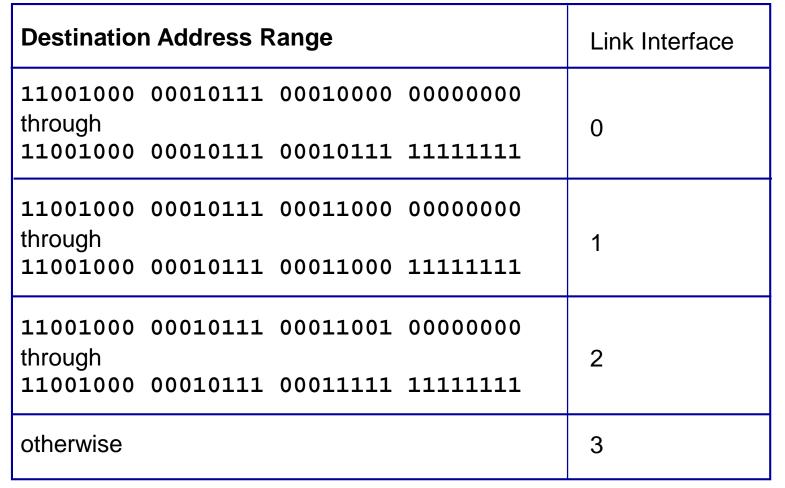




#### Datagram Forwarding Table



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Q: but what happens if ranges don't divide up so nicely?



# Datagram Forwarding Table: Longest Prefix Matching

when looking for forwarding table entry for given destination address, use *longest* address prefix that matches destination address.

Destination Address Range			Link interface	
11001000	00010111	00010***	* * * * * * * * *	0
11001000	00010111	00011000	* * * * * * * * *	1
11001000	00010111	00011***	* * * * * * * * *	2
otherwise				3

examples:

DA: 11001000 00010111 00010110 10100001 DA: 11001000 00010111 00011000 10101010 which interface? which interface?

#### Datagram versus Virtual Circuits (VC)

#### Internet (datagram)

- data exchange among computers
  - "elastic" service, no strict timing req.
- many link types
  - different characteristics
  - uniform service difficult
- "smart" end systems (computers)
  - can adapt, perform control, error recovery
  - simple inside network, complexity at "edge"

#### ATM (VC)

- evolved from telephony
- human conversation:
  - strict timing, reliability requirements
  - need for guaranteed service
- "dumb" end systems
  - telephones
  - complexity inside network



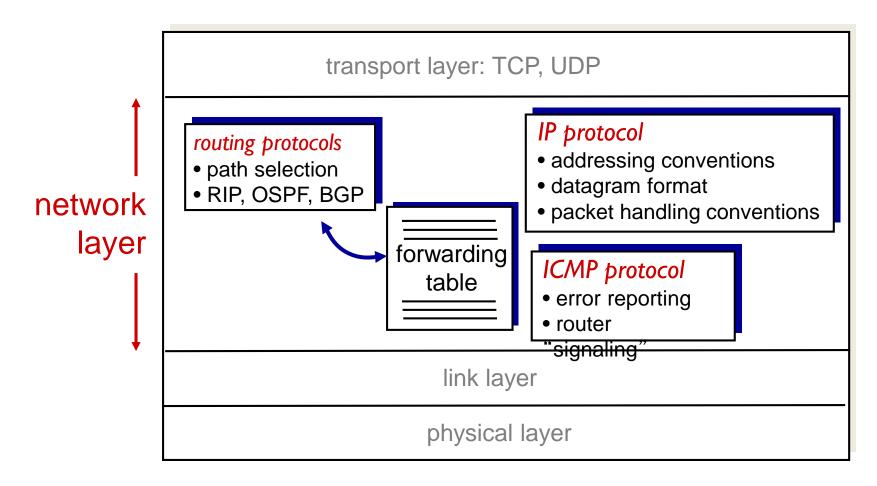
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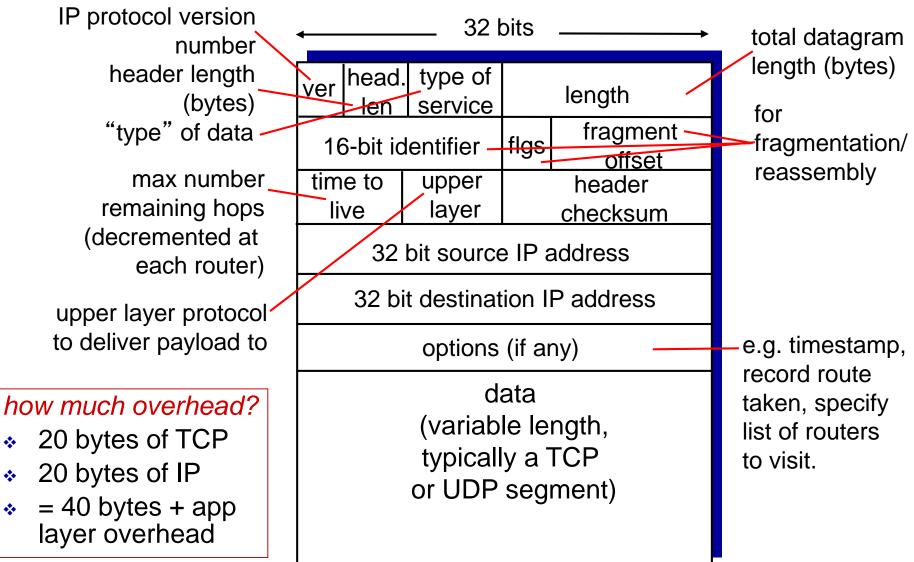




#### host, router network layer functions:



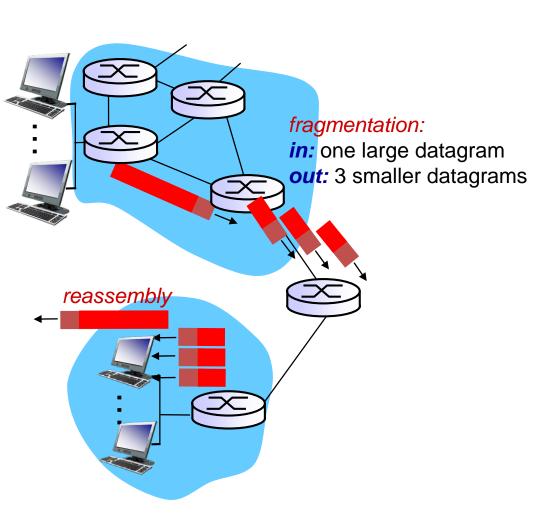
#### **IP** Datagram format





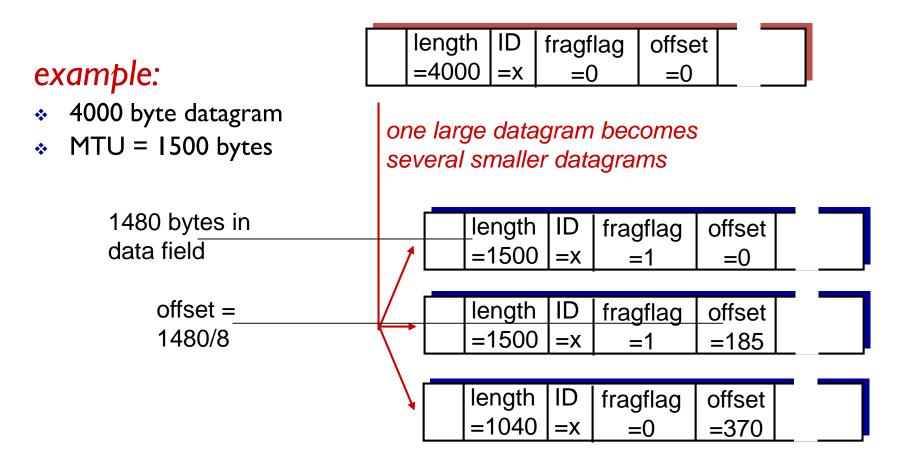
#### **IP Fragmentation/Reassembly**

- network links have MTU (max.transfer size) - largest possible link-level frame
  - different link types, different MTUs
- large IP datagram divided ("fragmented") within net
  - one datagram becomes several datagrams
  - "reassembled" only at final destination
  - IP header bits used to identify, order related fragments





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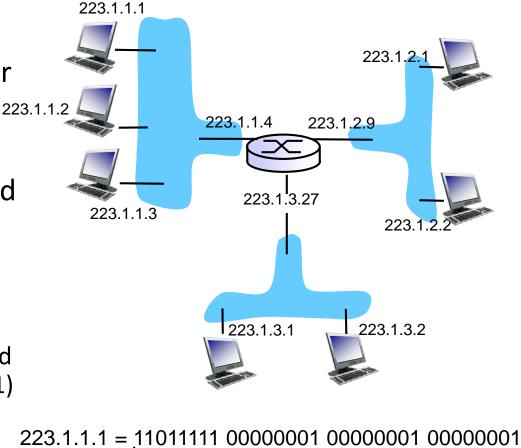
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#### **IP Addressing**

- *IP address:* 32-bit identifier for host, router *interface* 223
- interface: connection between host/router and physical link
  - router's typically have multiple interfaces
  - host typically has one or two interfaces (e.g., wired Ethernet, wireless 802.11)
- IP addresses associated with each interface

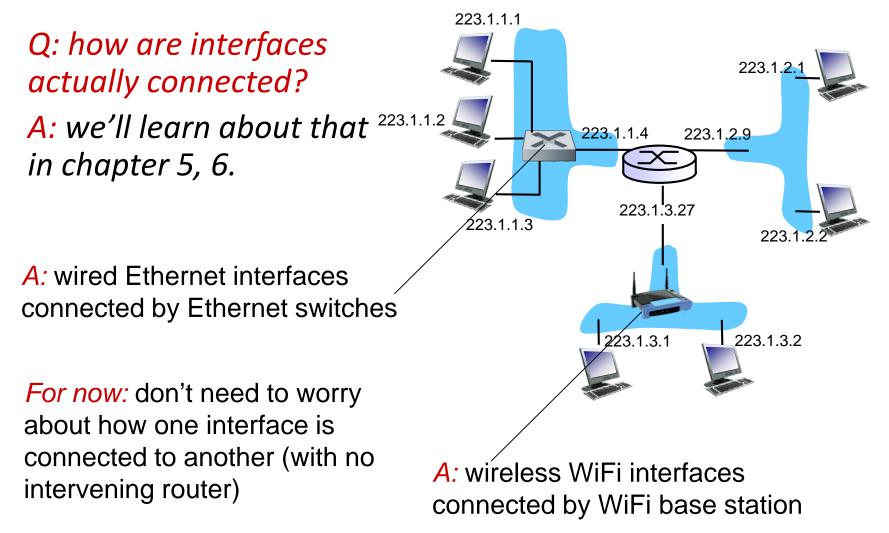


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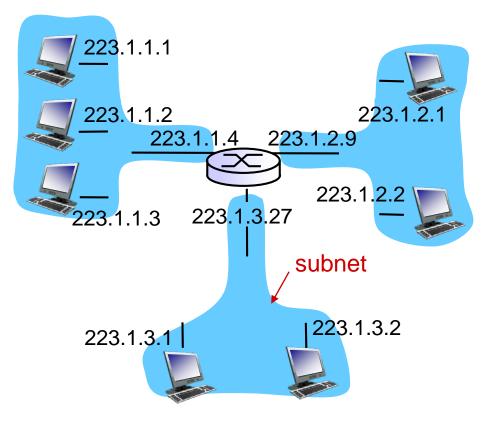


#### **IP Addressing**



#### Subnets

- IP address:
  - –subnet part high order bits
  - –host part low order bits
- what 's a subnet ?
  - device interfaces with same subnet part of IP address
  - –can physically reach each other without intervening router

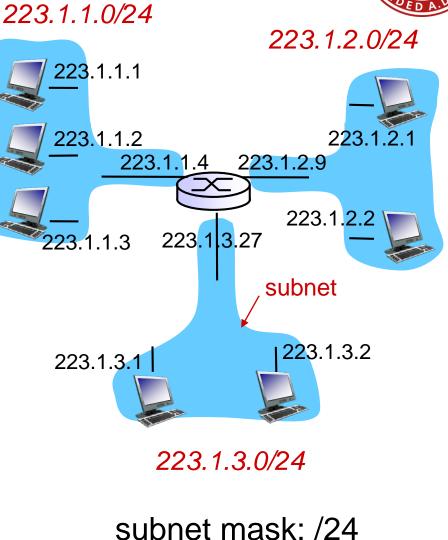


#### network consisting of 3 subnets

#### Subnets

#### recipe

- to determine the subnets, detach each interface from its host or router, creating islands of isolated networks
- each isolated network is called a *subnet*







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IP Addressing: CIDR (Classess InterDomain Routing

**CIDR: Classless InterDomain Routing** 

- subnet portion of address of arbitrary length
- address format: a.b.c.d/x, where x is # bits in subnet portion of address





#### IP Addresses: How to get one?

Q: How does a *host* get IP address?

- hard-coded by system admin in a file
  - Windows: control-panel->network->configuration->tcp/ip->properties
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- DHCP: Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol: dynamically get address from as server
  - "plug-and-play"

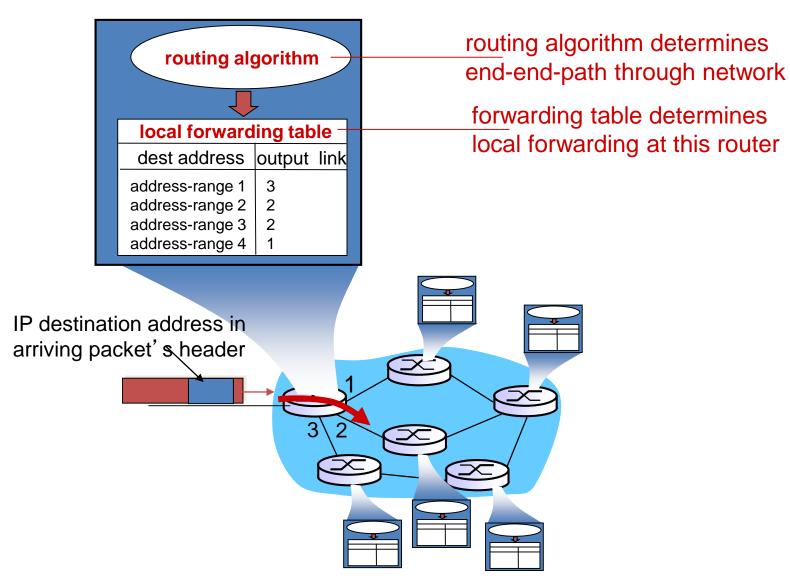
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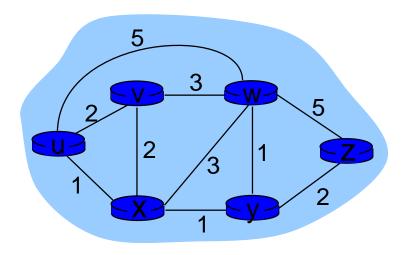


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#### **Graph Abstractions**



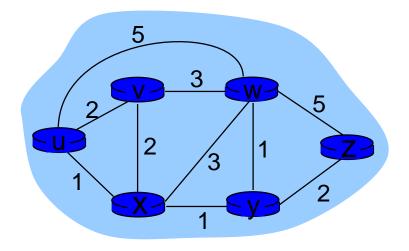
graph: G = (N,E)

N = set of routers = { u, v, w, x, y, z }

E = set of links ={ (u,v), (u,x), (v,x), (v,w), (x,w), (x,y), (w,y), (w,z), (y,z) }

*aside:* graph abstraction is useful in other network contexts, e.g., P2P, where *N* is set of peers and *E* is set of TCP connections

#### Graph Abstractions: Costs



c(x,x') = cost of link (x,x') e.g., c(w,z) = 5

cost could always be 1, or inversely related to bandwidth, or inversely related to congestion

cost of path  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, ..., x_p) = c(x_1, x_2) + c(x_2, x_3) + ... + c(x_{p-1}, x_p)$ 

key question: what is the least-cost path between u and z ? routing algorithm: algorithm that finds that least cost path



#### **Routing Algorithm Classifications**

Q: global or decentralized information?

global:

- all routers have complete topology, link cost info
- "link state" algorithms *decentralized:*
- router knows physicallyconnected neighbors, link costs to neighbors
- iterative process of computation, exchange of info with neighbors
- "distance vector" algorithms

Q: static or dynamic?

static:

 routes change slowly over time

#### dynamic:

- routes change more quickly
  - periodic update
  - in response to link cost changes

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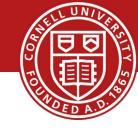
#### **Hierarchical Routing**

our routing study thus far - idealization

- ✤ all routers identical
- network "flat"
- ... not true in practice
- *scale:* with 600 million destinations:
- can't store all dest's in routing tables!
- routing table exchange would swamp links!

#### administrative autonomy

- internet = network of networks
- each network admin may want to control routing in its own network



## **Hierarchical Routing**



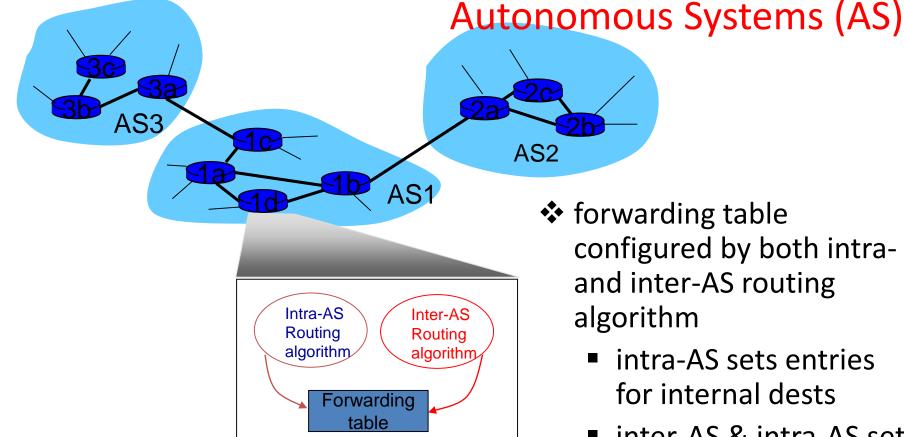
- aggregate routers into regions, "autonomous systems" (AS)
- routers in same AS run same routing protocol
  - "intra-AS" routing protocol
  - routers in different AS can run different intra-AS routing protocol

#### gateway router:

- at "edge" of its own AS
- has link to router in another AS



#### **Hierarchical Routing: Interconnected**



 inter-AS & intra-AS sets entries for external dests



Hierarchical Routing: Intra-AS routing

- also known as interior gateway protocols (IGP)
- most common intra-AS routing protocols:
  - RIP: Routing Information Protocol
  - OSPF: Open Shortest Path First
  - IGRP: Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (Cisco proprietary)



Hierarchical Routing: Inter-AS routing—BGP

- BGP (Border Gateway Protocol): *the* de facto inter-domain routing protocol
  - "glue that holds the Internet together"
- BGP provides each AS a means to:
  - eBGP: obtain subnet reachability information from neighboring ASs.
  - iBGP: propagate reachability information to all ASinternal routers.
  - determine "good" routes to other networks based on reachability information and policy.
- allows subnet to advertise its existence to rest of Internet: *"I am here"*



- Hierarchical Routing: Inter-AS routing—BGP
- Path Attributes and BGP Routes
  - advertised prefix includes BGP attributes
    - prefix + attributes = "route"
  - two important attributes:
    - AS-PATH: contains ASs through which prefix advertisement has passed: e.g., AS 67, AS 17
    - NEXT-HOP: indicates specific internal-AS router to nexthop AS. (may be multiple links from current AS to nexthop-AS)
  - gateway router receiving route advertisement uses import policy to accept/decline
    - e.g., never route through AS x
    - policy-based routing



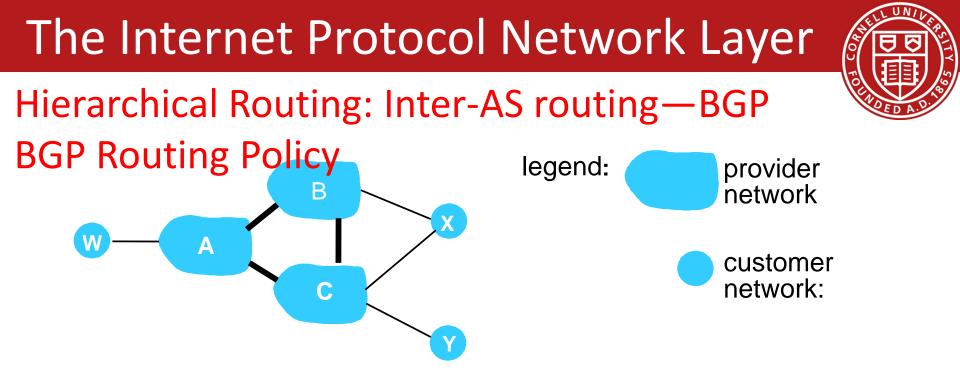
Hierarchical Routing: Inter-AS routing—BGP BGP Route Selection

- router may learn about more than 1 route to destination AS, selects route based on:
  - 1. local preference value attribute: policy decision
  - 2. shortest AS-PATH
  - 3. closest NEXT-HOP router: hot potato routing
  - 4. additional criteria

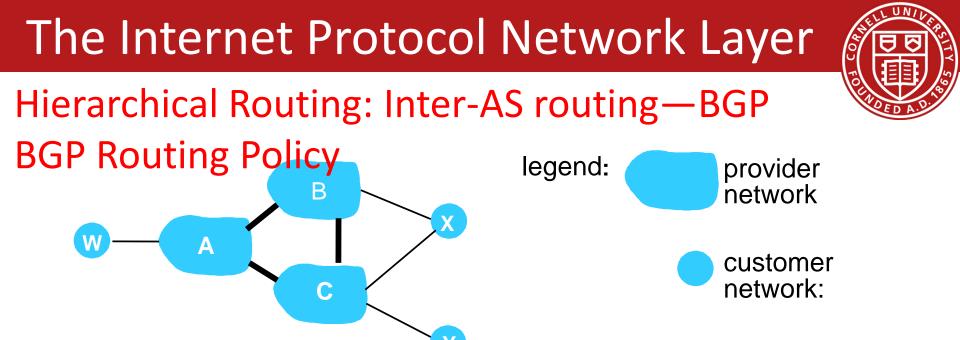


Hierarchical Routing: Inter-AS routing—BGP

- BGP Messages BGP messages exchanged between peers over TCP connection
  - **BGP** messages:
    - OPEN: opens TCP connection to peer and authenticates sender
    - UPDATE: advertises new path (or withdraws old)
    - KEEPALIVE: keeps connection alive in absence of **UPDATES; also ACKs OPEN request**
    - NOTIFICATION: reports errors in previous msg; also used to close connection



- A,B,C are provider networks
- X,W,Y are customer (of provider networks)
- X is dual-homed: attached to two networks
  - X does not want to route from B via X to C
  - .. so X will not advertise to B a route to C



- ✤ A advertises path AW to B
- ✤ B advertises path BAW to X
- Should B advertise path BAW to C?
  - No way! B gets no "revenue" for routing CBAW since neither W nor C are B's customers
  - B wants to force C to route to w via A
  - B wants to route only to/from its customers!



## Hierarchical Routing: Intra vs Inter-AS routing

#### policy:

- inter-AS: admin wants control over how its traffic routed, who routes through its net.
- intra-AS: single admin, so no policy decisions needed
   scale:
- hierarchical routing saves table size, reduced update traffic

#### performance:

- intra-AS: can focus on performance
- inter-AS: policy may dominate over performance

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#### Overview



- Structure and Properties of a Data Center
- Desired properties in a DC Architecture
- Fat tree based solution

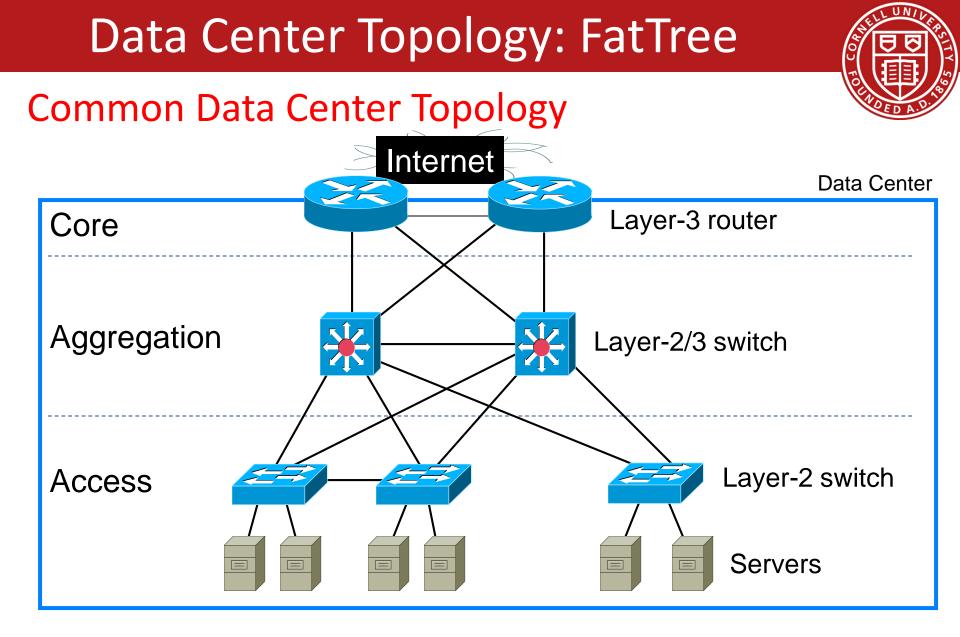


## Background

- Topology:
  - 2 layers: 5K to 8K hosts
  - 3 layer: >25K hosts
  - Switches:
    - Leaves: have N GigE ports (48-288) + N 10 GigE uplinks to one or more layers of network elements
    - Higher levels: N 10 GigE ports (32-128)

#### • Multi-path Routing:

- Ex. ECMP
  - without it, the largest cluster = 1,280 nodes
  - $\circ\,$  Performs static load splitting among flows
  - $\circ\,$  Lead to oversubscription for simple comm. patterns
  - Routing table entries grows multiplicatively with number of paths, cost ++, lookup latency ++





#### Issues with Traditional Data Center Topology

- Single point of failure
- Over subscript of links higher up in the topology
  - Trade off between cost and provisioning



## Issues with Traditional Data Center Topology

#### • Oversubscription:

- Ratio of the worst-case achievable aggregate bandwidth among the end hosts to the total bisection bandwidth of a particular communication topology
- Lower the total cost of the design
- Typical designs: factor of 2:5:1 (400 Mbps)to 8:1(125 Mbps)

#### • Cost:

- Edge: \$7,000 for each 48-port GigE switch
- Aggregation and core: \$700,000 for 128-port 10GigE switches
- Cabling costs are not considered!



#### **Properties of Desired Solution**

- Backwards compatible with existing infrastructure
  - No changes in application
  - Support of layer 2 (Ethernet)
- Cost effective
  - Low power consumption & heat emission
  - Cheap infrastructure
- Allows host communication at line speed



## Properties of Desired Solution: Tradeoffs

- Leverages specialized hardware and communication protocols, such as InfiniBand, Myrinet.
  - These solutions can scale to clusters of thousands of nodes with high bandwidth
  - Expensive infrastructure, incompatible with TCP/IP applications
- Leverages commodity Ethernet switches and routers to interconnect cluster machines
  - Backwards compatible with existing infrastructures, low-cost
  - Aggregate cluster bandwidth scales poorly with cluster size, and achieving the highest levels of bandwidth incurs non-linear cost increase with cluster size



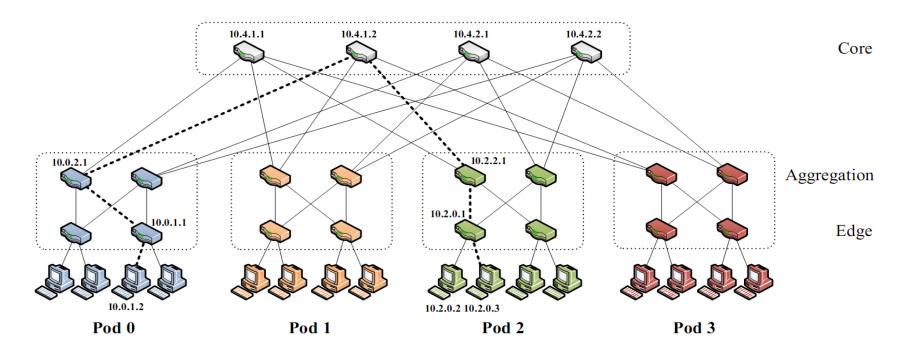
Proposed Solution: FatTree (Clos Network)

- Adopt a special instance of a Clos topology
- Similar trends in telephone switches led to designing a topology with high bandwidth by interconnecting smaller commodity switches.



#### FatTree Based Data Center Architecture

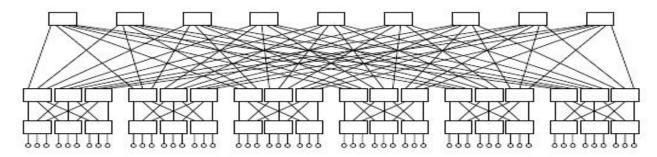
- Inter-connect racks (of servers) using a fat-tree topology
  - K-ary fat tree: three-layer topology (edge, aggregation and core)
  - each pod consists of  $(k/2)^2$  servers & 2 layers of k/2 k-port switches
  - each edge switch connects to k/2 servers & k/2 aggr. switches
  - each aggr. switch connects to k/2 edge & k/2 core switches
  - $(k/2)^2$  core switches: each connects to k pods





## FatTree Based Data Center Architecture

- Why Fat-Tree?
  - Fat tree has identical bandwidth at any bisections
  - Each layer has the same aggregated bandwidth
- Can be built using cheap devices with uniform capacity
  - Each port supports same speed as end host
  - All devices can transmit at line speed if packets are distributed uniform along available paths
- Great scalability: k-port switch supports k<sup>3</sup>/4 servers



#### Problems with FatTree



- Layer 3 will only use one of the existing equal cost paths
  - Bottlenecks up and down the fat-tree
     Simple extension to IP forwarding
- Packet re-ordering occurs if layer 3 blindly takes advantage of path diversity ; further load may not necessarily be well-balanced
- Wiring complexity in large networks
  - Packing and placement technique

#### FatTree Modified

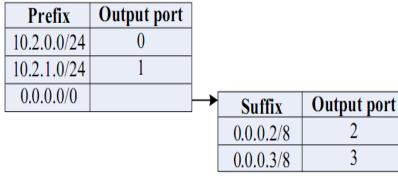


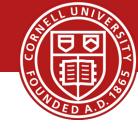
#### • Enforce a special (IP) addressing scheme in DC

- unused.PodNumber.switchnumber.Endhost
- Allows host attached to same switch to route only through switch
- Allows inter-pod traffic to stay within pod

## FatTree Modified

- Use two level look-ups to distribute traffic and maintain packet ordering
  - First level is prefix lookup
    - used to route down the topology to servers
  - Second level is a suffix lookup
    - used to route up towards core
    - maintain packet ordering by using same ports for same server
       Prefix Output port
    - Diffuses and spreads out traffic





## Before Next time

- Project Proposal
  - due this Friday
  - Project group meeting Tuesday, 4:15pm, in 122 Gates Hall
  - Meet with groups, TA, and professor
- Lab1
  - Lab1 help session in MEng Lab, Wednesday, Sept 10, during lecture time
  - Single threaded TCP proxy
  - Due this Friday
- No required reading and review due
- But, review chapter 5 from the book, Data Link and Physical Layer
  - We will also briefly discuss data center topologies
- Check website for updated schedule



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- hard-coded by system admin in a file
  - Windows: control-panel->network->configuration->tcp/ip->properties
  - UNIX: /etc/rc.config
- DHCP: Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol: dynamically get address from as server
  - "plug-and-play"



*goal:* allow host to *dynamically* obtain its IP address from network server when it joins network

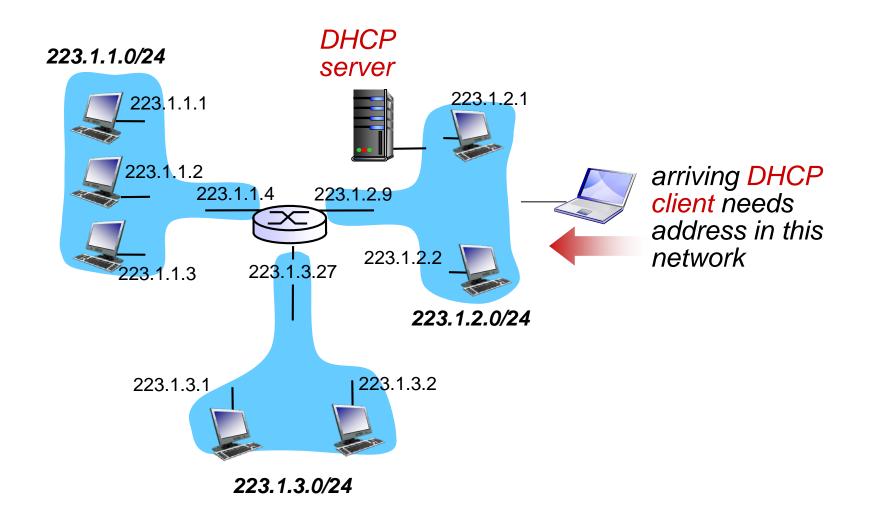
- can renew its lease on address in use
- allows reuse of addresses (only hold address while connected/"on")
- support for mobile users who want to join network (more shortly)

#### DHCP overview:

- host broadcasts "DHCP discover" msg [optional]
- DHCP server responds with "DHCP offer" msg [optional]
- host requests IP address: "DHCP request" msg
- DHCP server sends address: "DHCP ack" msg

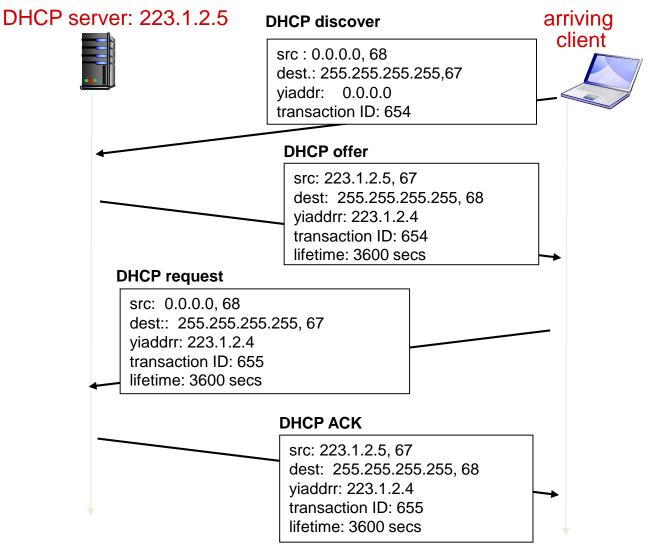
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#### **Client-Server Scenario**



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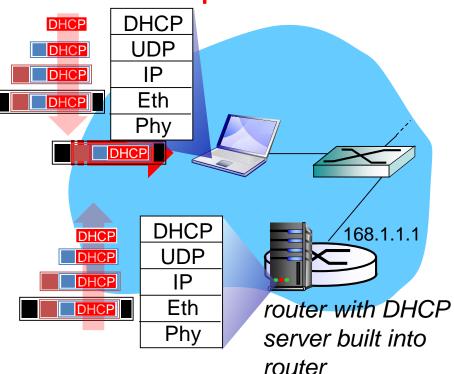




- DHCP can return more than just allocated IP address on subnet:
  - address of first-hop router for client
  - name and IP address of DNS sever
  - network mask (indicating network versus host portion of address)

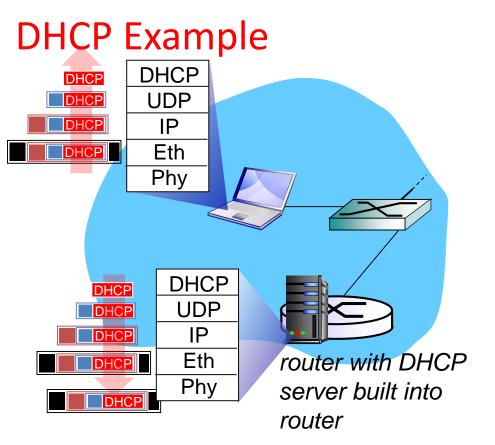


#### **DHCP** Example



- connecting laptop needs its IP address, addr of first-hop router, addr of DNS server: use DHCP
- DHCP request encapsulated in UDP, encapsulated in IP, encapsulated in 802.1 Ethernet
- Ethernet frame broadcast (dest: FFFFFFFFFF) on LAN, received at router running DHCP server
- Ethernet demuxed to IP demuxed, UDP demuxed to DHCP





- DCP server formulates DHCP ACK containing client's IP address, IP address of first-hop router for client, name & IP address of DNS server
- encapsulation of DHCP server, frame forwarded to client, demuxing up to DHCP at client
- client now knows its IP address, name and IP address of DSN server, IP address of its first-hop router

## IP Addressing: Hierarchical Addressing



Q: how does *network* get subnet part of IP addr?
A: gets allocated portion of its provider ISP's address space

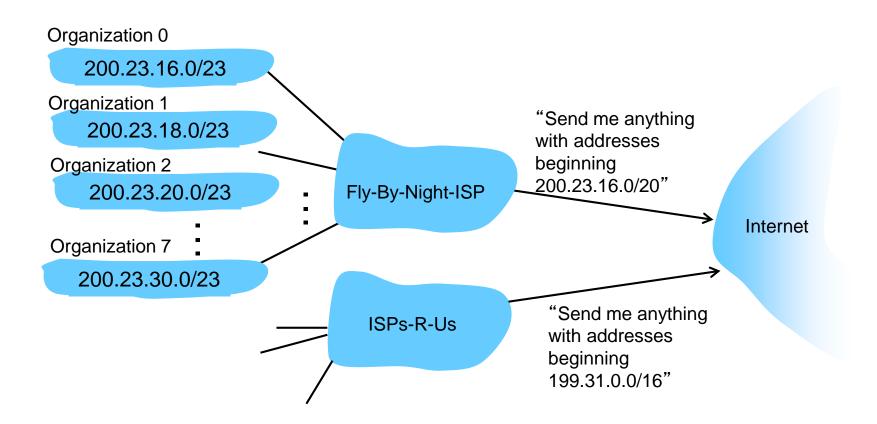
ISP's block	<u>11001000</u>	00010111	00010000	0000000	200.23.16.0/20
Organization 1	11001000	00010111	00010010	00000000	200.23.16.0/23 200.23.18.0/23 200.23.20.0/23
Organization 7	11001000	00010111	00011110	00000000	200.23.30.0/23

## IP Addressing: Hierarchical Addressing



## Hierarchical Addressing: Route Aggregation

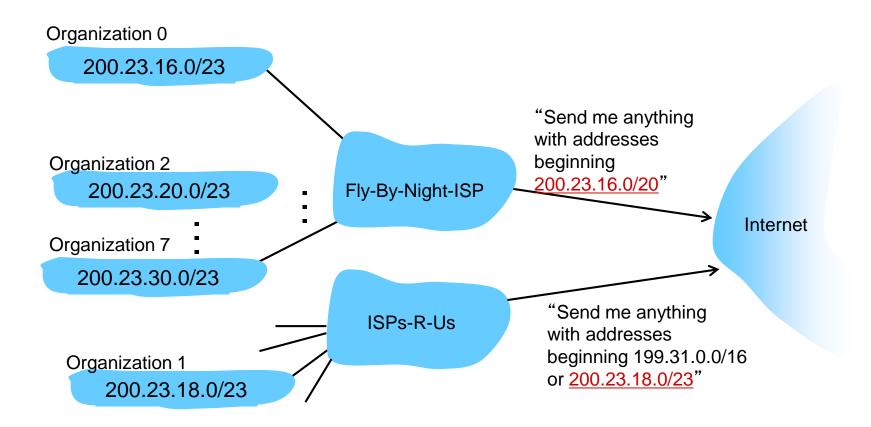
hierarchical addressing allows efficient advertisement of routing information:



## IP Addressing: Hierarchical Addressing



#### ISPs-R-Us has a more specific route to Organization I



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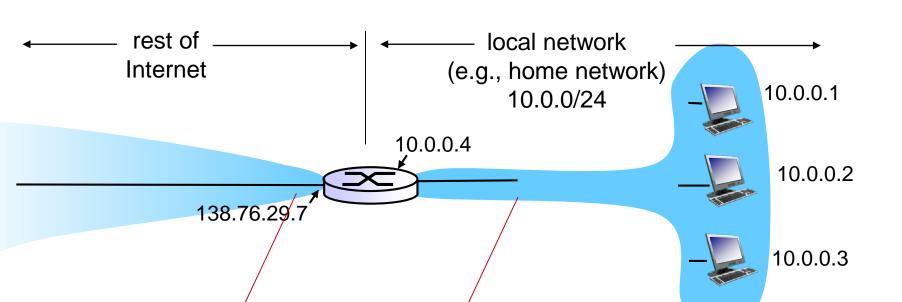


- **Q**: how does an ISP get block of addresses?
- A: ICANN: Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers http://www.icann.org/
  - allocates addresses
  - manages DNS
  - assigns domain names, resolves disputes

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all datagrams leaving local network have same single source NAT IP address: 138.76.29.7,different source port numbers datagrams with source or destination in this network have 10.0.0/24 address for source, destination (as usual)



*motivation:* local network uses just one IP address as far as outside world is concerned:

- range of addresses not needed from ISP: just one IP address for all devices
- can change addresses of devices in local network without notifying outside world
- can change ISP without changing addresses of devices in local network
- devices inside local net not explicitly addressable, visible by outside world (a security plus)



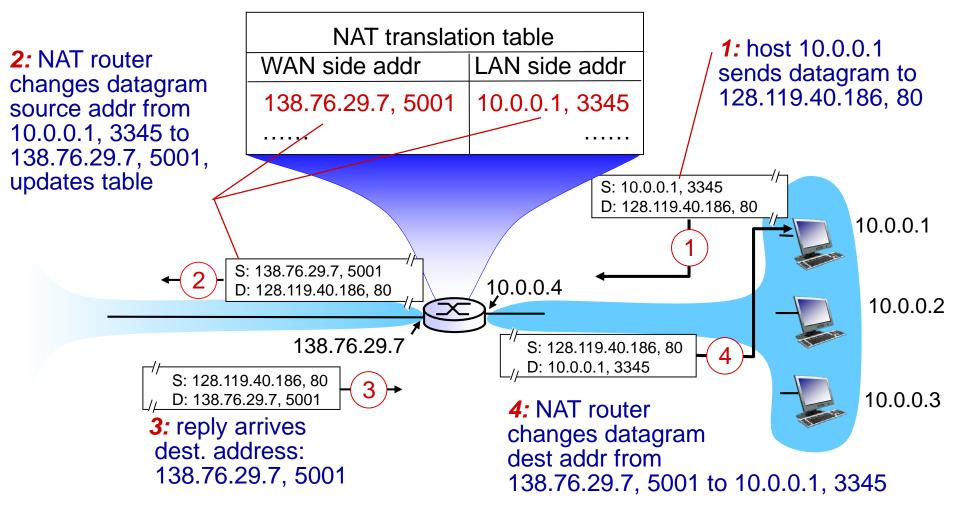
#### *implementation*: NAT router must:

 outgoing datagrams: replace (source IP address, port #) of every outgoing datagram to (NAT IP address, new port #)

... remote clients/servers will respond using (NAT IP address, new port #) as destination addr

- remember (in NAT translation table) every (source IP address, port #) to (NAT IP address, new port #) translation pair
- incoming datagrams: replace (NAT IP address, new port #) in dest fields of every incoming datagram with corresponding (source IP address, port #) stored in NAT table



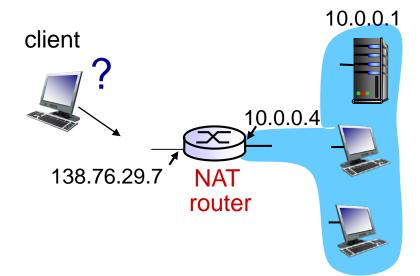




- 16-bit port-number field:
  - 60,000 simultaneous connections with a single LANside address!
- ✤NAT is controversial:
  - routers should only process up to layer 3
  - violates end-to-end argument
    - NAT possibility must be taken into account by app designers, e.g., P2P applications
  - address shortage should instead be solved by IPv6

#### NAT Traversal Problem

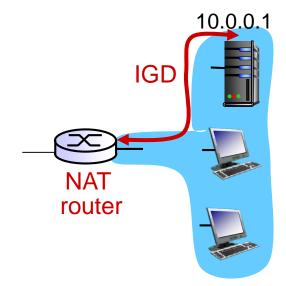
- client wants to connect to server with address 10.0.0.1
  - server address 10.0.0.1 local to LAN (client can't use it as destination addr)
  - only one externally visible NATed address: 138.76.29.7
- solution1: statically configure NAT to forward incoming connection requests at given port to server
  - e.g., (123.76.29.7, port 2500)
    always forwarded to 10.0.0.1 port
    25000





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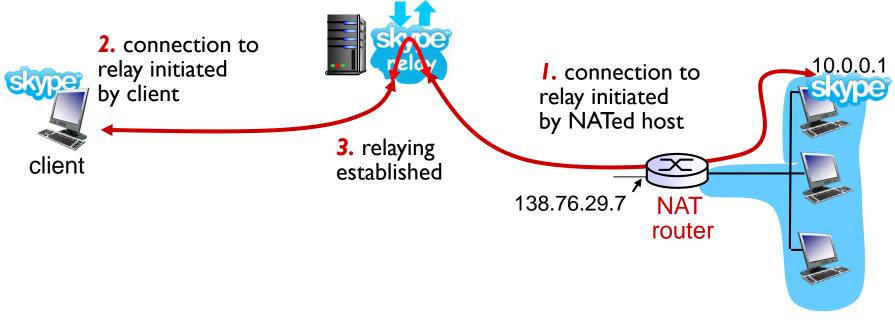
- solution 2: Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) Internet Gateway Device (IGD) Protocol. Allows NATed host to:
  - learn public IP address (138.76.29.7)
  - add/remove port mappings (with lease times)
  - i.e., automate static NAT port map configuration





#### NAT Traversal Problem

- solution 3: relaying (used in Skype)
  - NATed client establishes connection to relay
  - external client connects to relay
  - relay bridges packets between to connections



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## ICMP (Internet control message protocol)



- used by hosts & routers to communicate networklevel information
  - error reporting: unreachable host, network, port, protocol
  - echo request/reply (used by ping)
- network-layer "above" IP:
  - ICMP msgs carried in IP datagrams
- ICMP message: type, code plus first 8 bytes of IP datagram causing error

Type Code description	
0 0 echo reply (ping)	
3 0 dest. network unr	eachable
3 1 dest host unreact	nable
3 2 dest protocol unre	eachable
3 3 dest port unreach	nable
3 6 dest network unk	nown
3 7 dest host unknow	/n
4 0 source quench (c	congestion
control - not used	I)
8 0 echo request (pin	ng)
9 0 route advertiseme	ent
10 0 router discovery	
11 0 TTL expired	
12 0 bad IP header	

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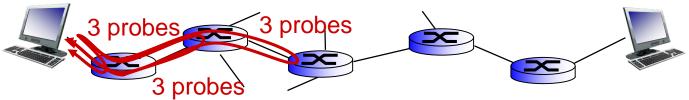
#### ICMP and Traceroute

- source sends series of UDP segments to dest
  - first set has TTL =1
  - second set has TTL=2, etc.
  - unlikely port number
- when *n*th set of datagrams arrives to nth router:
  - router discards datagrams
  - and sends source ICMP messages (type 11, code 0)
  - ICMP messages includes name of router & IP address

 when ICMP messages arrives, source records RTTs

#### stopping criteria:

- UDP segment eventually arrives at destination host
- destination returns ICMP
   "port unreachable"
   message (type 3, code 3)
- source stops



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- initial motivation: 32-bit address space soon to be completely allocated.
- additional motivation:
  - header format helps speed processing/forwarding
  - header changes to facilitate QoS

#### IPv6 datagram format:

- fixed-length 40 byte header
- no fragmentation allowed

#### IPv6 Datagram Format



priority: identify priority among datagrams in flow flow Label: identify datagrams in same "flow." (concept of "flow" not well defined). next header: identify upper layer protocol for data

ver	pri	flow label		
F	payload len next hdr hop limit			hop limit
source address (128 bits)				
destination address (128 bits)				
data				

32 bits

#### Changes from IPv4

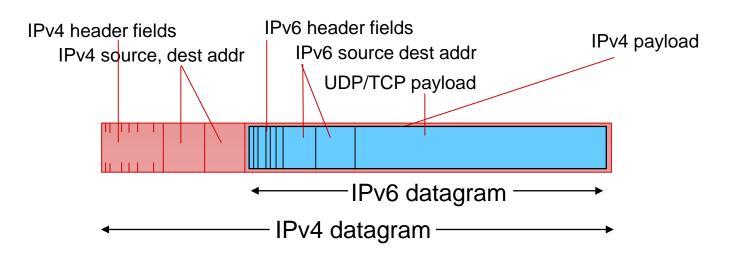


- checksum: removed entirely to reduce processing time at each hop
- options: allowed, but outside of header, indicated by "Next Header" field
- *ICMPv6:* new version of ICMP
  - additional message types, e.g. "Packet Too Big"
  - multicast group management functions

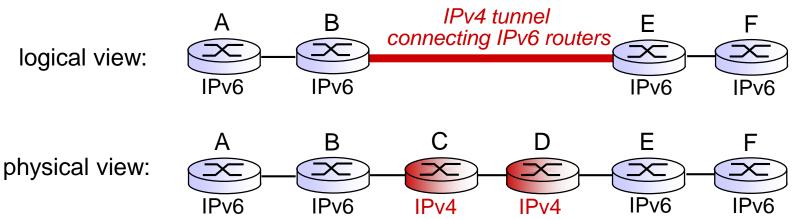
#### Transition to IPv6 from IPv4



- not all routers can be upgraded simultaneously
  - no "flag days"
  - how will network operate with mixed IPv4 and IPv6 routers?
- tunneling: IPv6 datagram carried as payload in IPv4 datagram among IPv4 routers



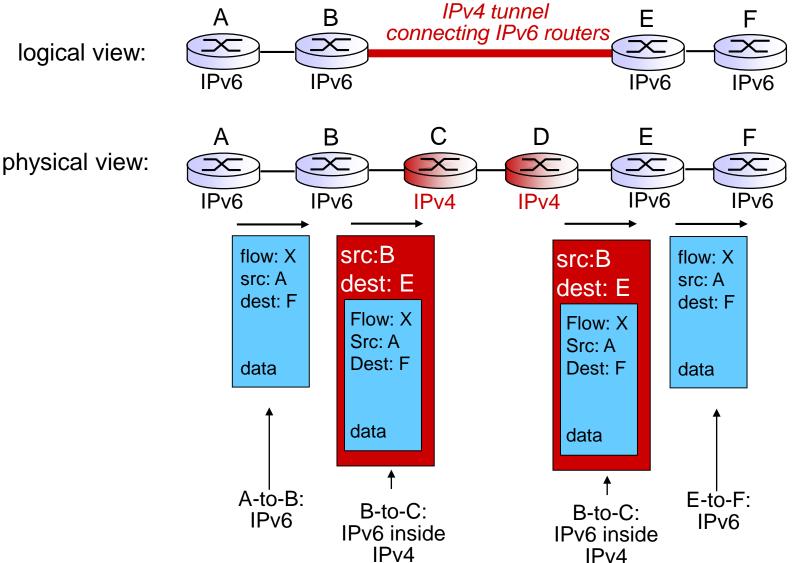
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our routing study thus far - idealization
all routers identical
network "flat"
... not true in practice

- *scale:* with 600 million destinations:
- can't store all dest's in routing tables!
- routing table exchange would swamp links!

#### administrative autonomy

- internet = network of networks
- each network admin may want to control routing in its own network



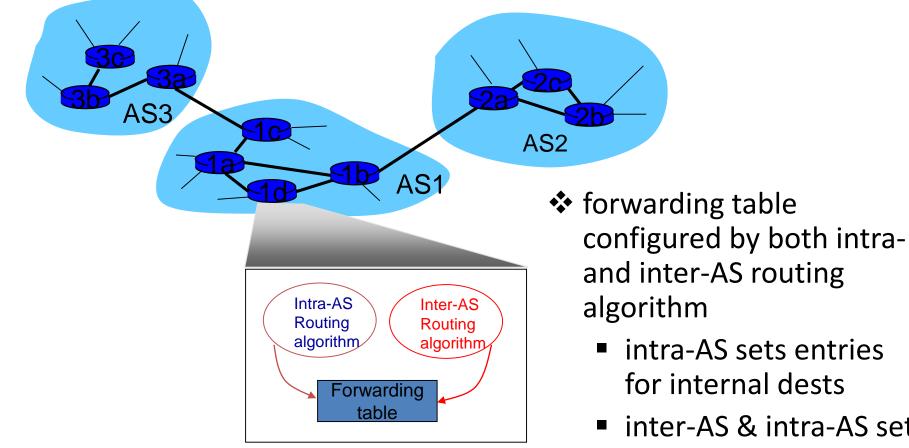
- aggregate routers into regions, "autonomous systems" (AS)
- routers in same AS run same routing protocol
  - "intra-AS" routing protocol
  - routers in different AS can run different intra-AS routing protocol

#### gateway router:

- at "edge" of its own AS
- has link to router in another AS

#### Interconnected Autonomous Systems (ASes)





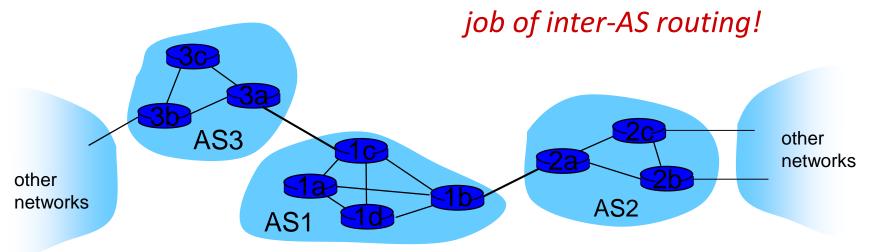
 inter-AS & intra-AS sets entries for external dests

#### Inter-AS tasks

- suppose router in AS1 receives datagram destined outside of AS1:
  - router should forward packet to gateway router, but which one?

#### AS1 must:

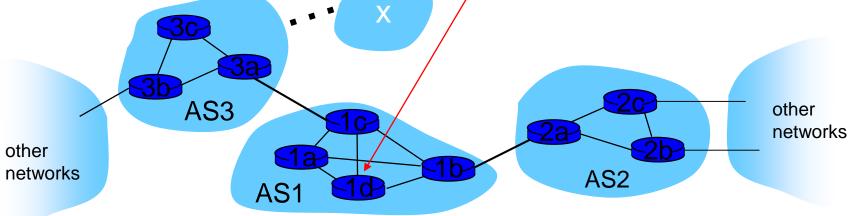
- learn which dests are reachable through AS2, which through AS3
- propagate this reachability info to all routers in AS1





#### Example: Setting forwarding table in router 1d

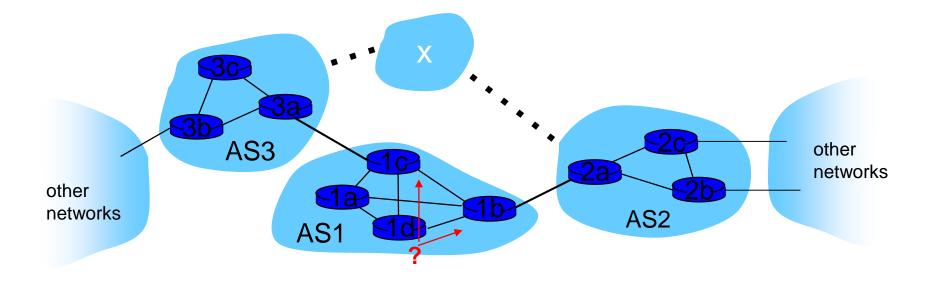
- suppose AS1 learns (via inter-AS protocol) that subnet x reachable via AS3 (gateway 1c), but not via AS2
  - inter-AS protocol propagates reachability info to all internal routers
- router 1d determines from intra-AS routing info that its interface
   *I* is on the least cost path to 1c
  - installs forwarding the entry (x, l)





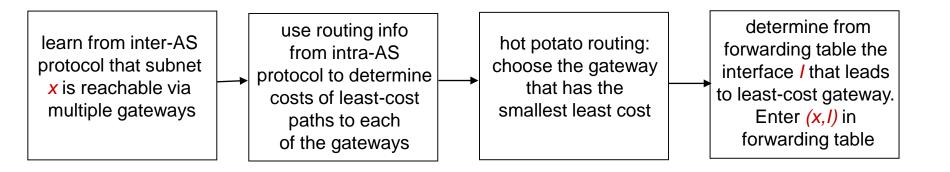
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- hot potato routing: send packet towards closest of two routers.



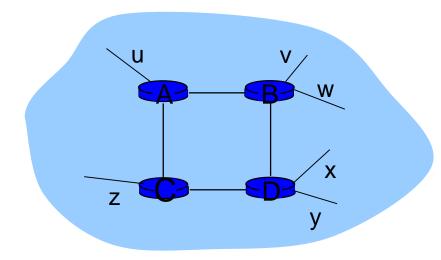
#### Intra-AS Routing



- also known as interior gateway protocols (IGP)
- most common intra-AS routing protocols:
  - RIP: Routing Information Protocol
  - OSPF: Open Shortest Path First
  - IGRP: Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (Cisco proprietary)

#### Intra-AS Routing: RIP (Routing Information Protocol)

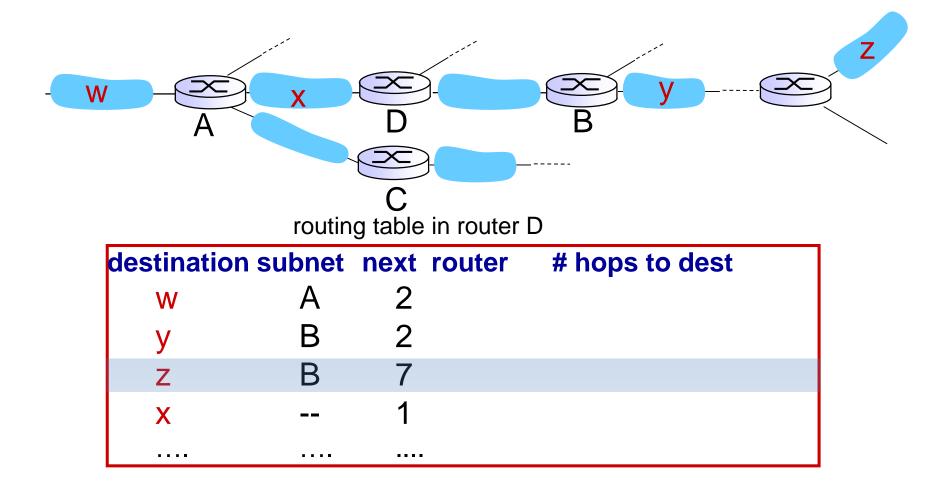
- included in BSD-UNIX distribution in 1982
- distance vector algorithm
  - distance metric: # hops (max = 15 hops), each link has cost 1
  - DVs exchanged with neighbors every 30 sec in response message (aka advertisement)
  - each advertisement: list of up to 25 destination *subnets* (in IP addressing sense)



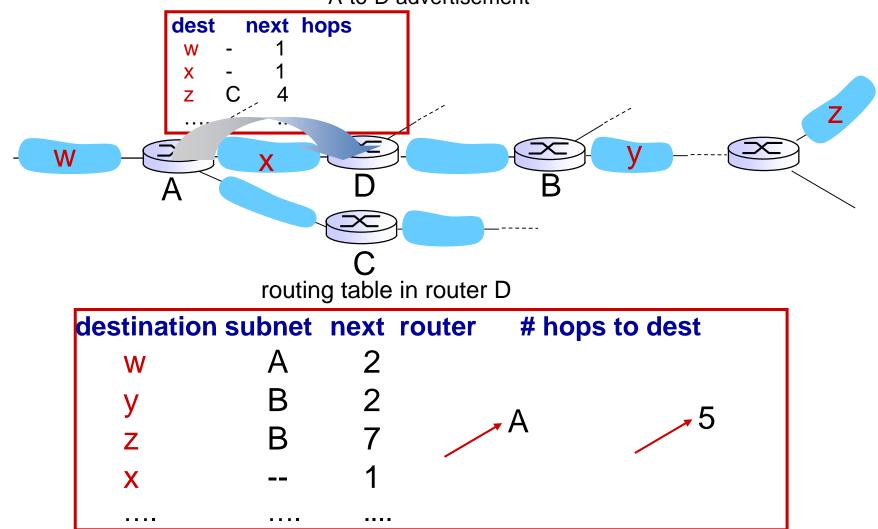
#### from router A to destination subnets:

<u>subnet</u>	<u>hops</u>
u	1
V	2
W	2
Х	3
У	3
Z	2

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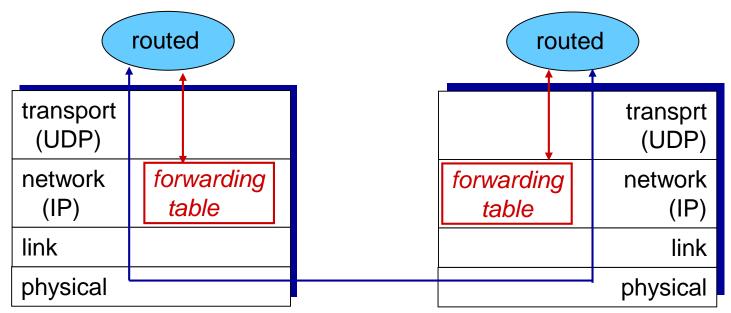


- Intra-AS Routing: RIP—Link failure and recovery
  - if no advertisement heard after 180 sec --> neighbor/link declared dead
    - routes via neighbor invalidated
    - new advertisements sent to neighbors
    - neighbors in turn send out new advertisements (if tables changed)
    - Ink failure info quickly (?) propagates to entire net
    - poison reverse used to prevent ping-pong loops (infinite distance = 16 hops)



Intra-AS Routing: RIP—Table processing
RIP routing tables managed by *application-level* process called route-d (daemon)

advertisements sent in UDP packets, periodically repeated

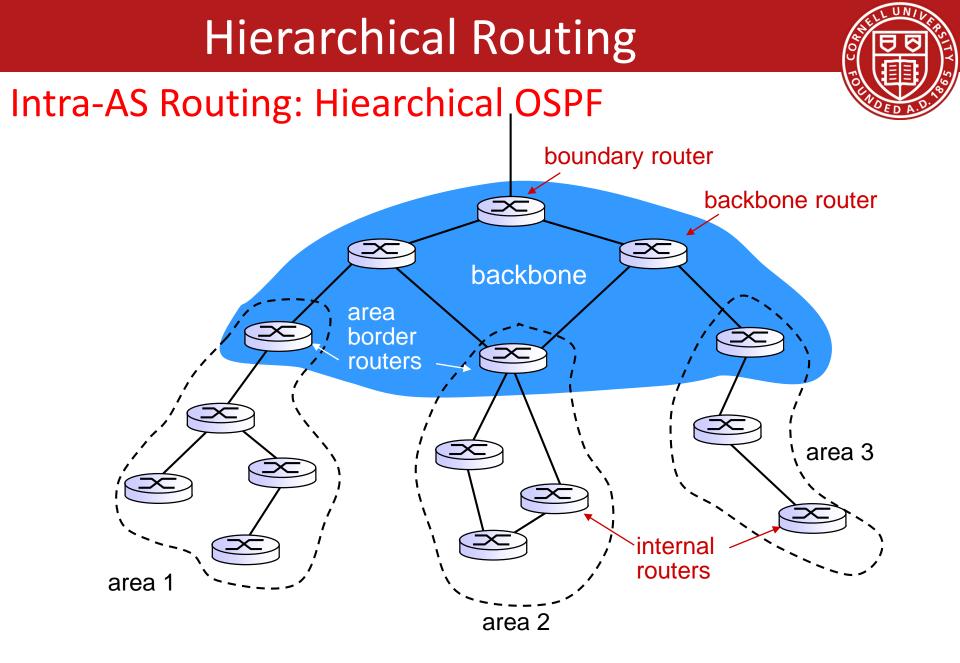




#### Intra-AS Routing: OSPF (Open Shortest Path First)

- "open": publicly available
- uses link state algorithm
  - LS packet dissemination
  - topology map at each node
  - route computation using Dijkstra's algorithm
- OSPF advertisement carries one entry per neighbor
- advertisements flooded to *entire* AS
  - carried in OSPF messages directly over IP (rather than TCP or UDP
- *IS-IS routing* protocol: nearly identical to OSPF

- Intra-AS Routing: OSPF—Advanced features (not
  - security: all OSPF messages authenticated (to prevent malicious intrusion)
  - multiple same-cost paths allowed (only one path in RIP)
  - for each link, multiple cost metrics for different TOS (e.g., satellite link cost set "low" for best effort ToS; high for real time ToS)
  - integrated uni- and multicast support:
    - Multicast OSPF (MOSPF) uses same topology data base as OSPF
  - hierarchical OSPF in large domains.





#### Intra-AS Routing: Hierarchical OSPF

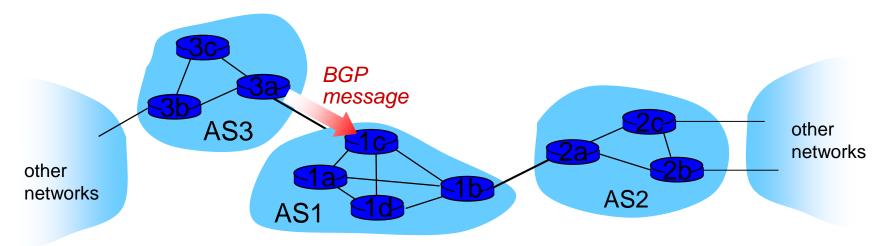
- two-level hierarchy: local area, backbone.
  - link-state advertisements only in area
  - each nodes has detailed area topology; only know direction (shortest path) to nets in other areas.
- *area border routers:* "summarize" distances to nets in own area, advertise to other Area Border routers.
- backbone routers: run OSPF routing limited to backbone.
- *boundary routers:* connect to other AS' s.

#### Inter-AS Routing—BGP

- BGP (Border Gateway Protocol): *the* de facto inter-domain routing protocol
  - "glue that holds the Internet together"
- BGP provides each AS a means to:
  - eBGP: obtain subnet reachability information from neighboring ASs.
  - iBGP: propagate reachability information to all ASinternal routers.
  - determine "good" routes to other networks based on reachability information and policy.
- allows subnet to advertise its existence to rest of Internet: *"I am here"*

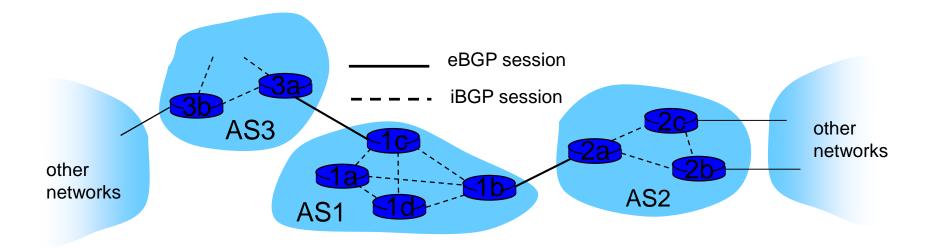


- Inter-AS Routing—BGP \* BGP session: two BGP routers ("peers") exchange BGP messages:
  - advertising paths to different destination network prefixes ("path vector" protocol)
  - exchanged over semi-permanent TCP connections
  - when AS3 advertises a prefix to AS1:
    - AS3 promises it will forward datagrams towards that prefix
    - AS3 can aggregate prefixes in its advertisement





- Inter-AS Routing—BGP distributing path information
  - using eBGP session between 3a and 1c, AS3 sends prefix reachability info to AS1.
    - 1c can then use iBGP do distribute new prefix info to all routers in AS1
    - 1b can then re-advertise new reachability info to AS2 over 1b-to-2a eBGP session
  - when router learns of new prefix, it creates entry for prefix in its forwarding table.





#### Inter-AS Routing—BGP routes and Path attribute

- advertised prefix includes BGP attributes
  - prefix + attributes = "route"
- two important attributes:
  - AS-PATH: contains ASs through which prefix advertisement has passed: e.g., AS 67, AS 17
  - NEXT-HOP: indicates specific internal-AS router to nexthop AS. (may be multiple links from current AS to nexthop-AS)
- gateway router receiving route advertisement uses import policy to accept/decline
  - e.g., never route through AS x
  - policy-based routing





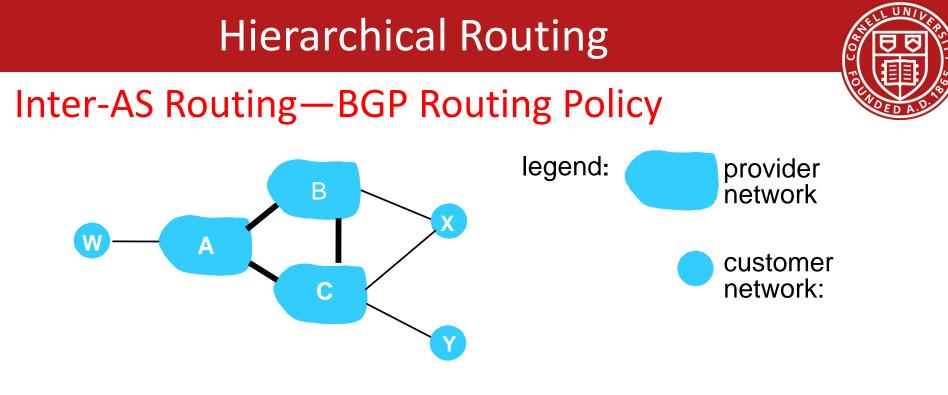
#### Inter-AS Routing—BGP Route Selection

- router may learn about more than 1 route to destination AS, selects route based on:
  - 1. local preference value attribute: policy decision
  - 2. shortest AS-PATH
  - 3. closest NEXT-HOP router: hot potato routing
  - 4. additional criteria

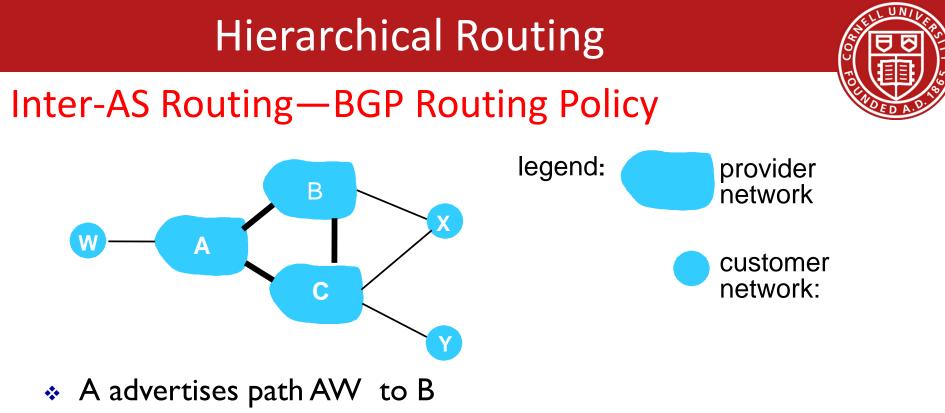


#### Inter-AS Routing—BGP Messages

- BGP messages exchanged between peers over TCP connection
- BGP messages:
  - OPEN: opens TCP connection to peer and authenticates sender
  - UPDATE: advertises new path (or withdraws old)
  - KEEPALIVE: keeps connection alive in absence of UPDATES; also ACKs OPEN request
  - NOTIFICATION: reports errors in previous msg; also used to close connection



- A,B,C are provider networks
- X,W,Y are customer (of provider networks)
- X is dual-homed: attached to two networks
  - X does not want to route from B via X to C
  - .. so X will not advertise to B a route to C



- B advertises path BAW to X
- Should B advertise path BAW to C?
  - No way! B gets no "revenue" for routing CBAW since neither W nor C are B's customers
  - B wants to force C to route to w via A
  - B wants to route only to/from its customers!



#### Intra- vs Inter-AS Routing

#### policy:

- inter-AS: admin wants control over how its traffic routed, who routes through its net.
- intra-AS: single admin, so no policy decisions needed
   scale:
- hierarchical routing saves table size, reduced update traffic

#### performance:

- intra-AS: can focus on performance
- inter-AS: policy may dominate over performance