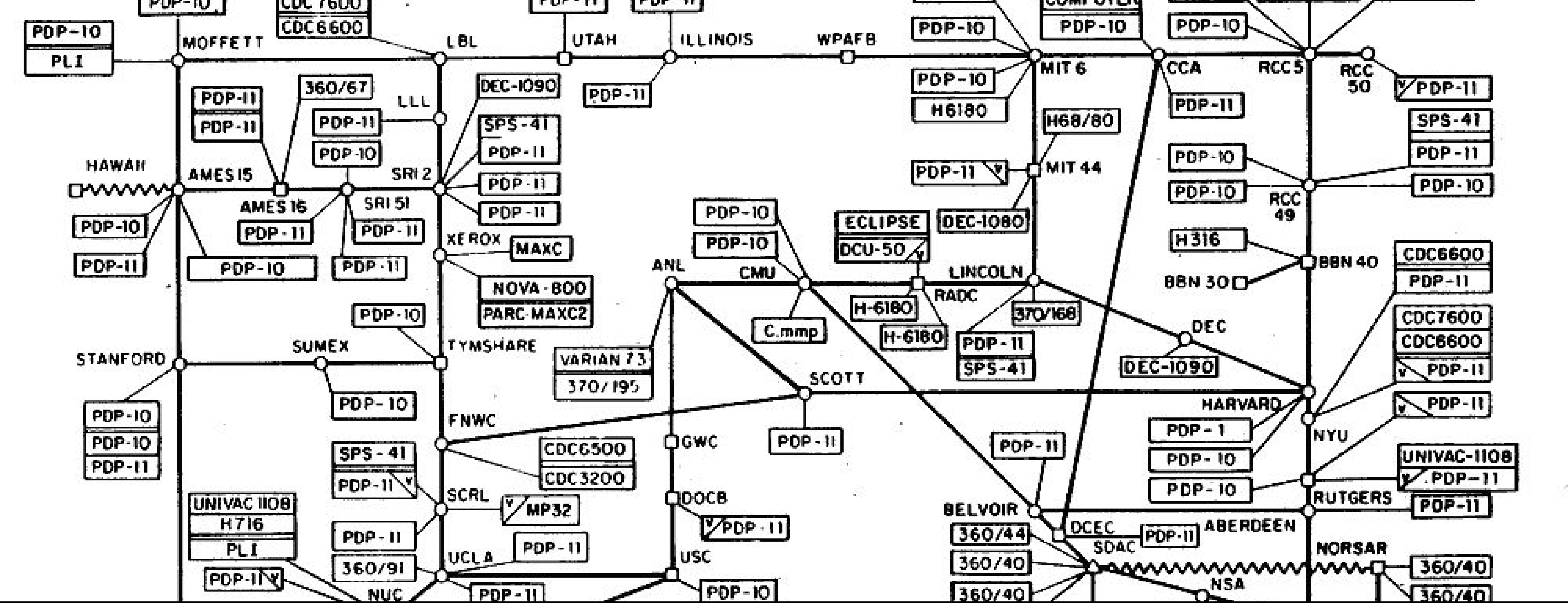

software defined networking

CS 6410 Fall 2017

Eric Campbell and Rolph Recto

software defined networking

software defined networking

(OpenFlow, originally)

MIT Technology Review

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TR10: Software-Defined Networking

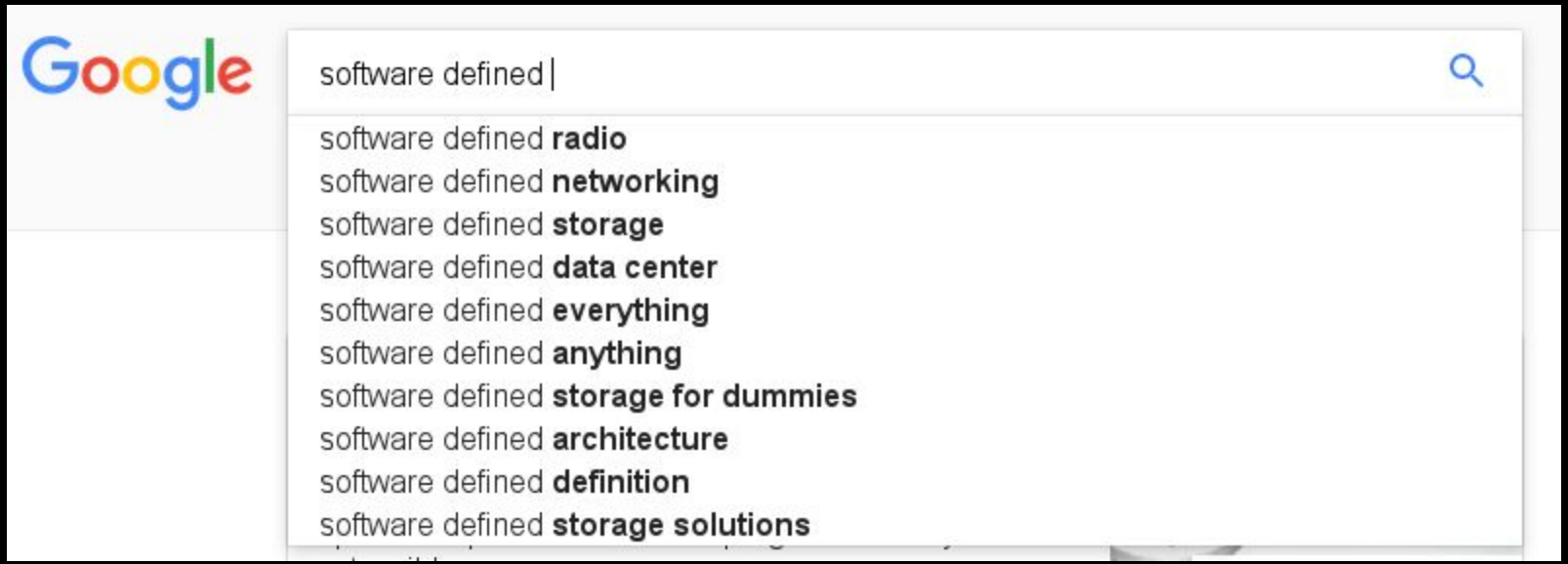
Nick McKeown believes that remotely controlling network hardware with software can bring the Internet up to speed.

4 comments

KATE GREENE

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

*“Stanford computer scientist Nick McKeown and colleagues developed a standard called OpenFlow that essentially opens up the Internet to researchers, allowing them to define data flows using software—a sort of ‘**software-defined networking**.’ Installing a small piece of OpenFlow firmware (software embedded in hardware) gives engineers access to flow tables, rules that tell switches and routers how to direct network traffic.”*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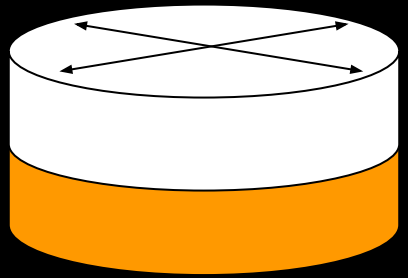

control plane

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traffic engineering

data plane

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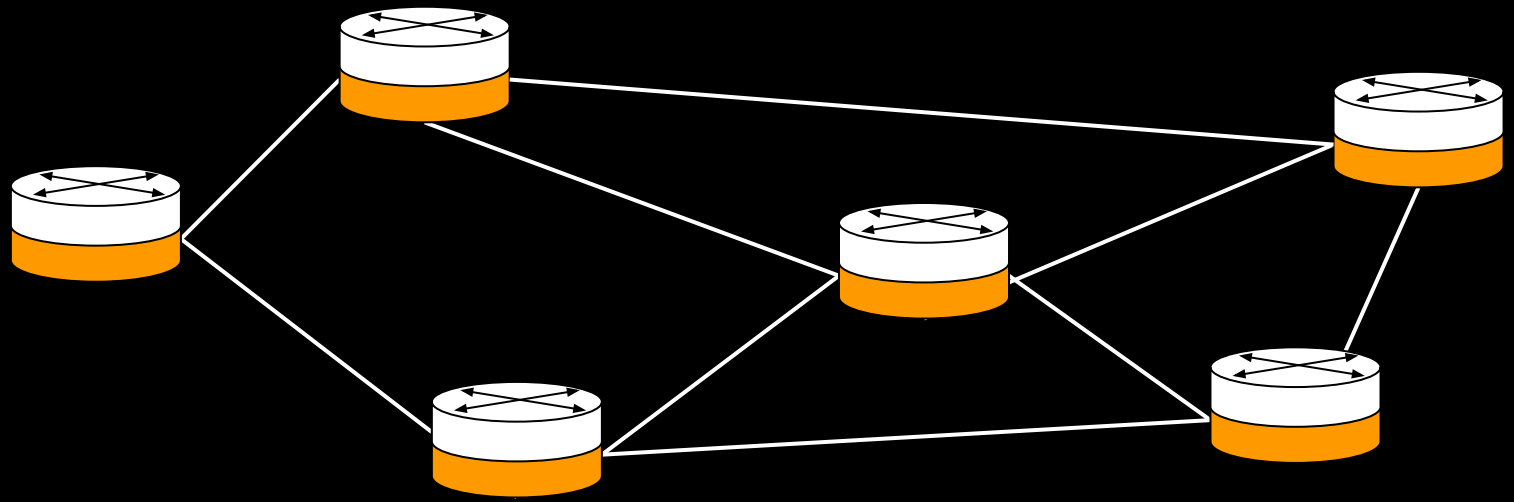
traditional networking



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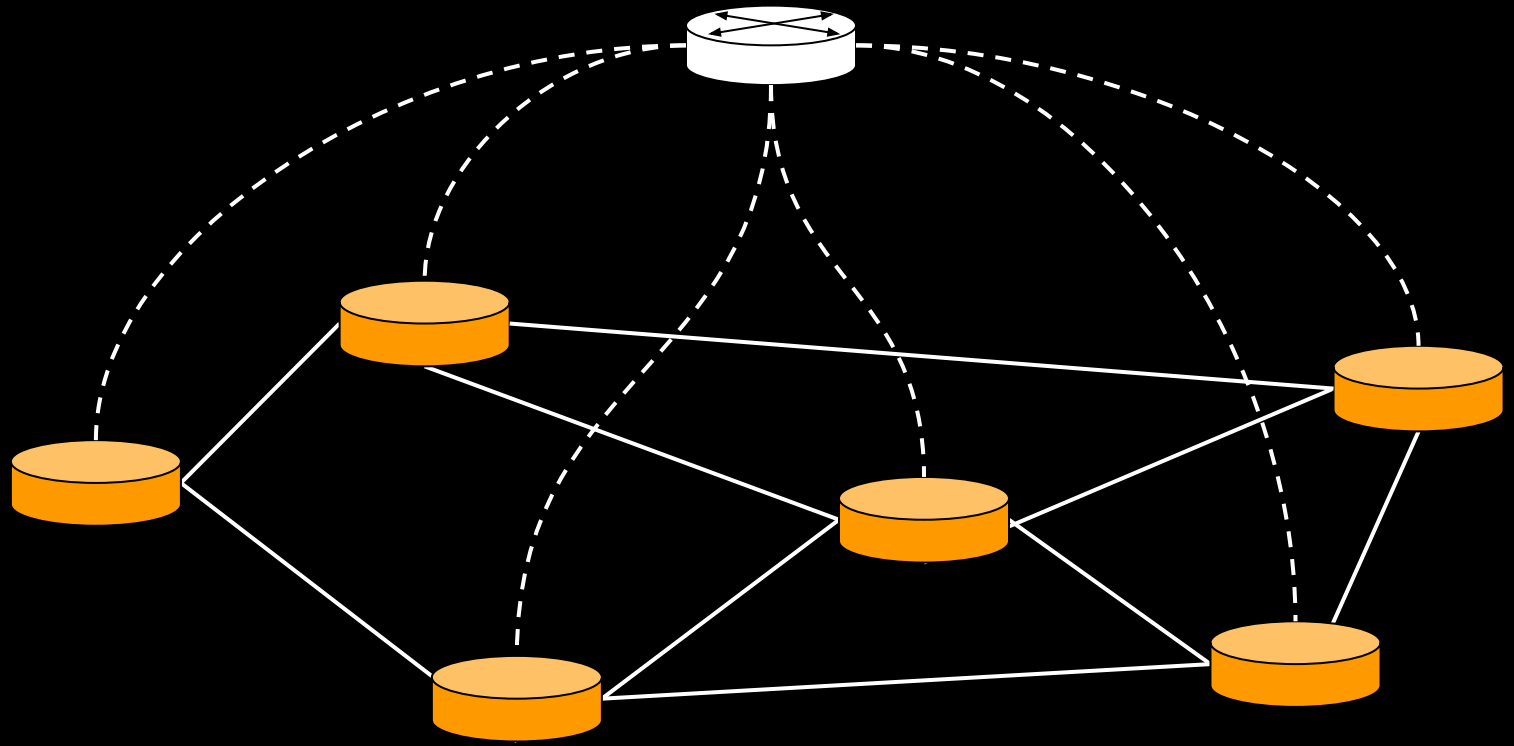

software defined networking

(programmable)

Active Networks

Separating the Data and Control Planes

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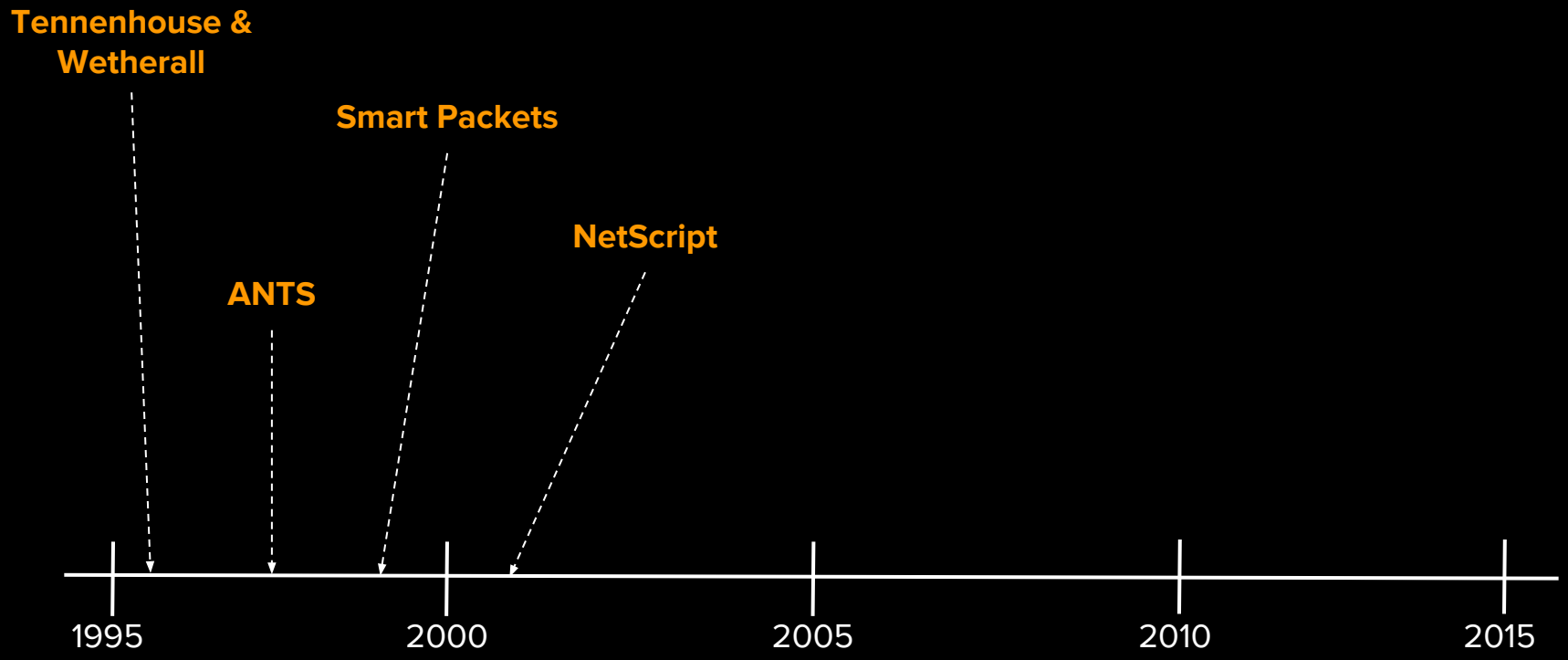
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desire for unified middlebox interface

use pulls

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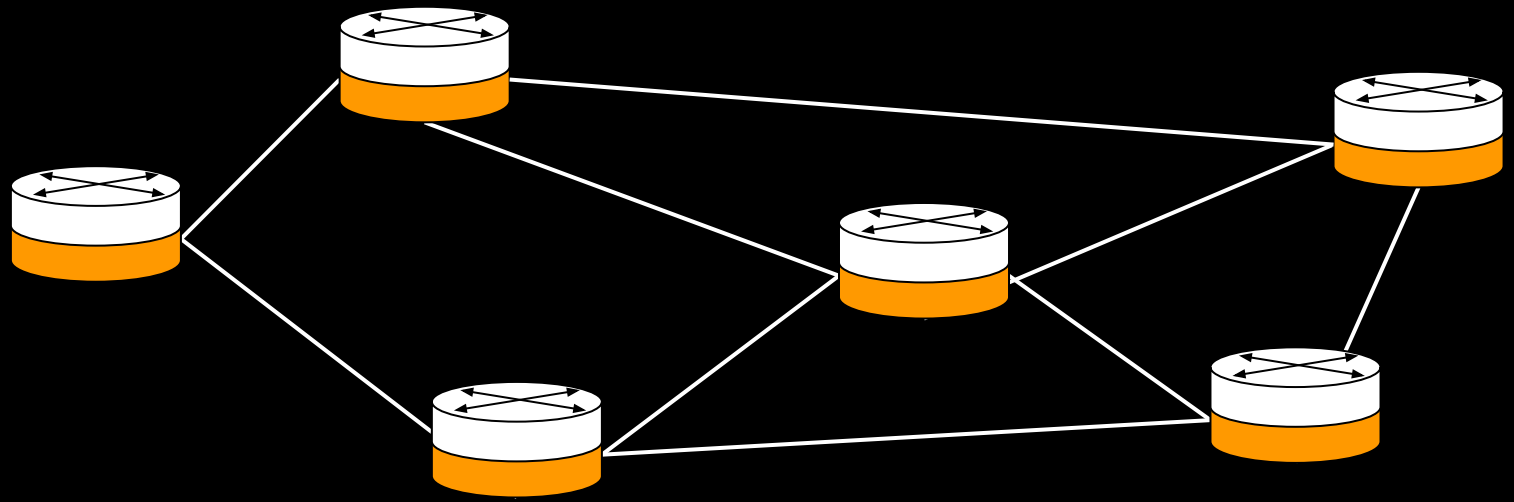
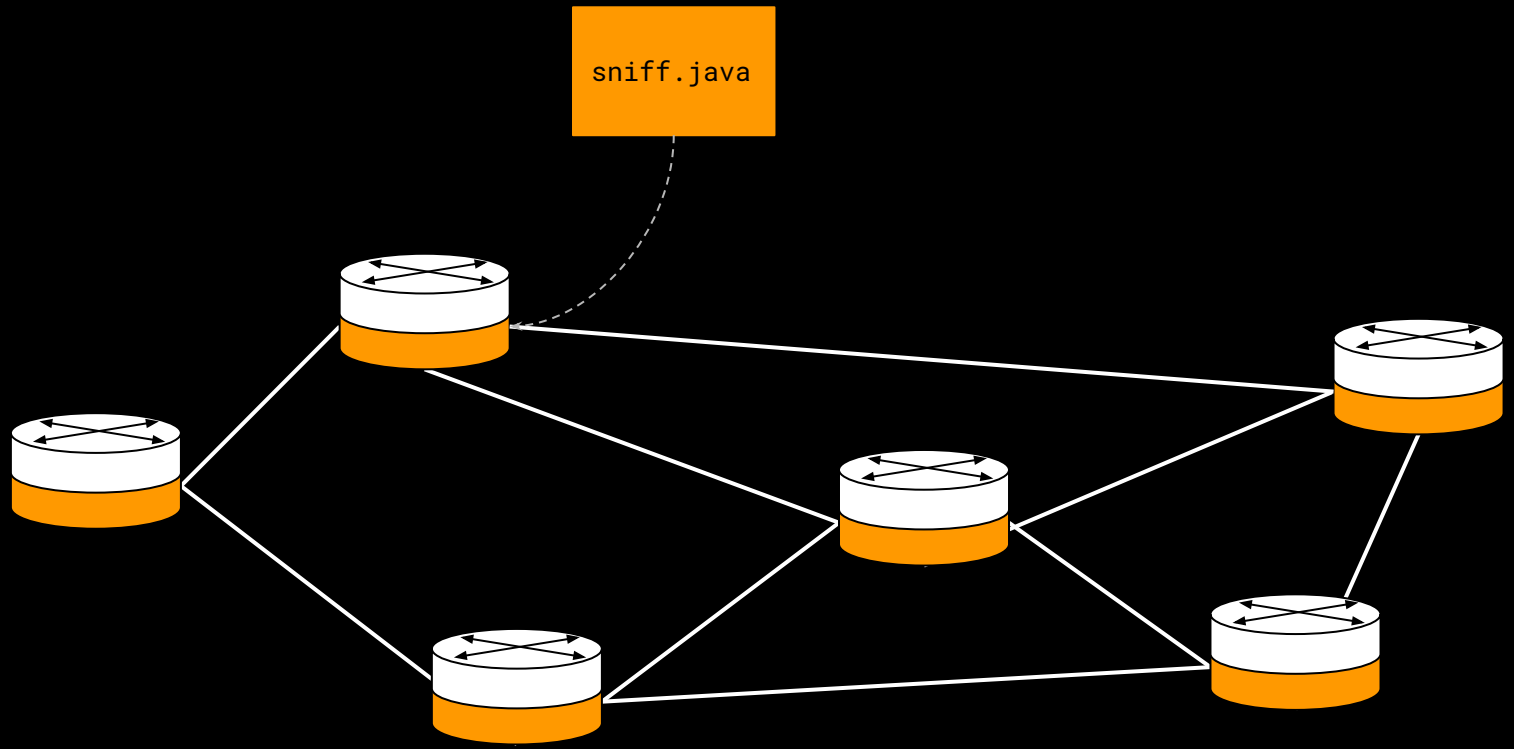
lower compute costs

advances in
programming languages

DARPA Active Networks

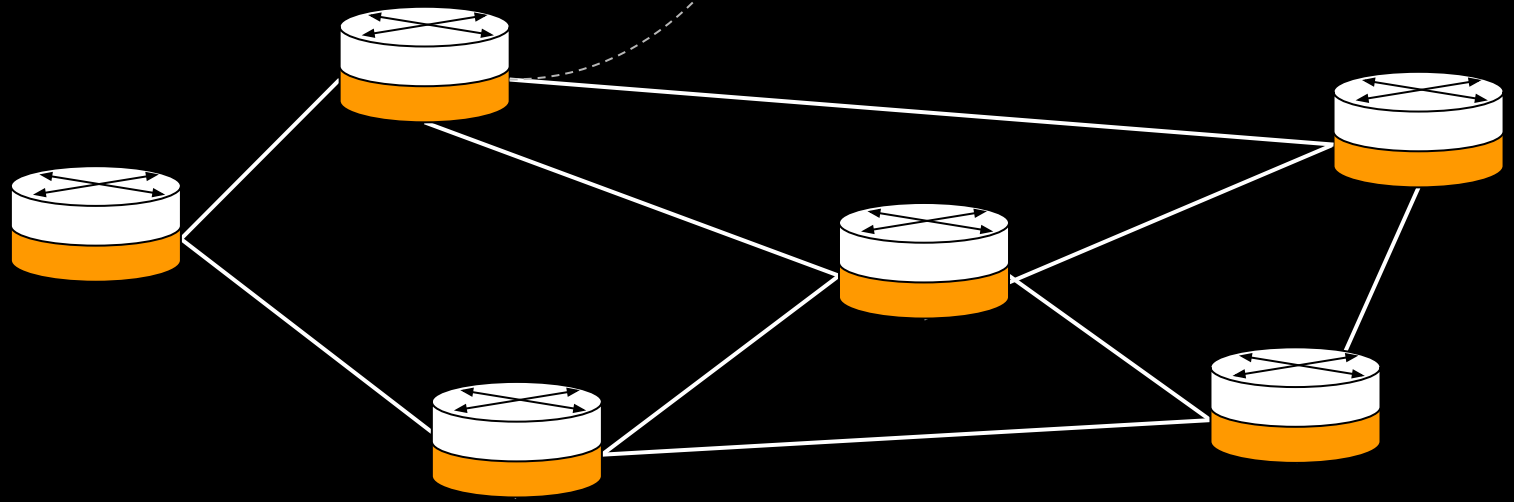
programmable switches




sniff.java

with `sniff.java` installed, switch maintains table of packet counts by source IP

srcIP **count**



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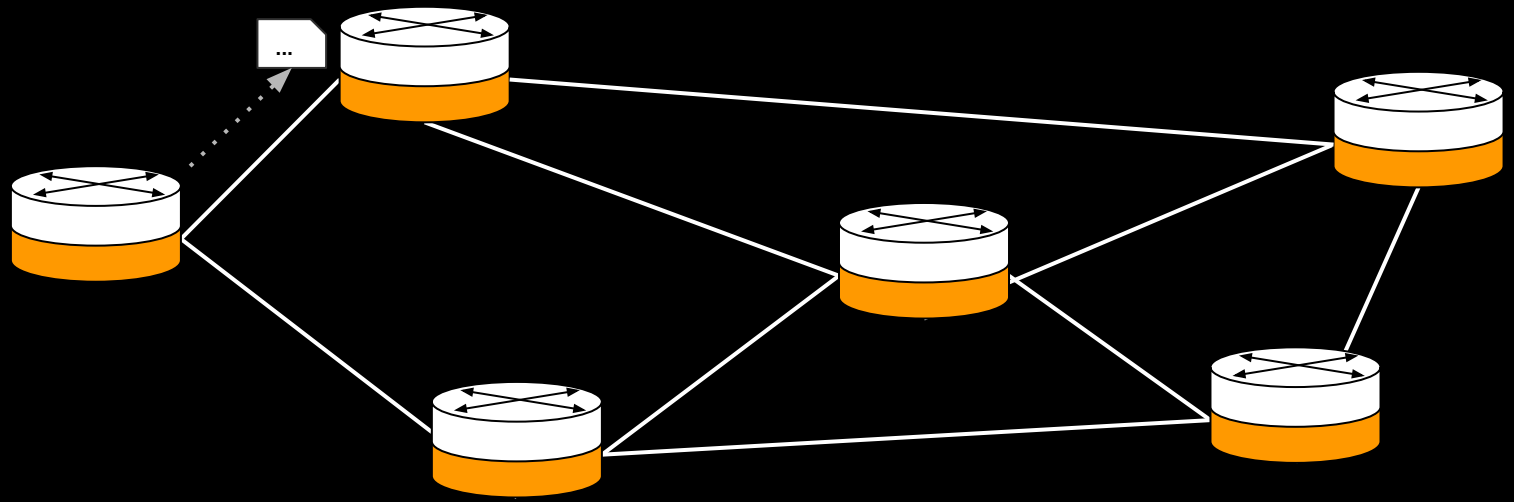

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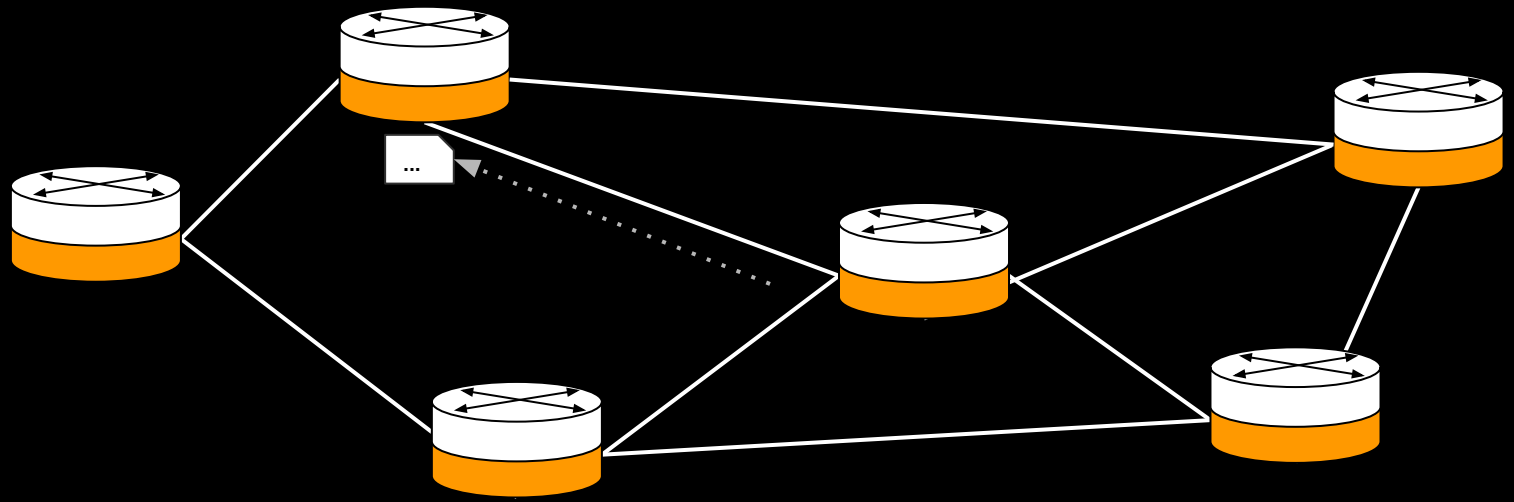

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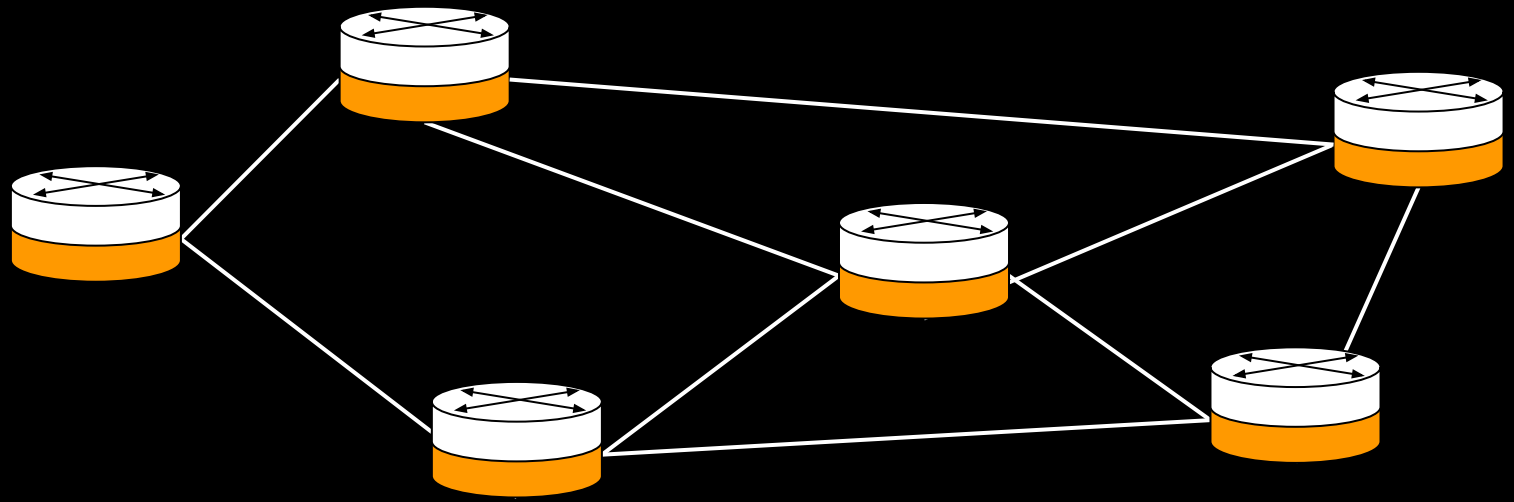
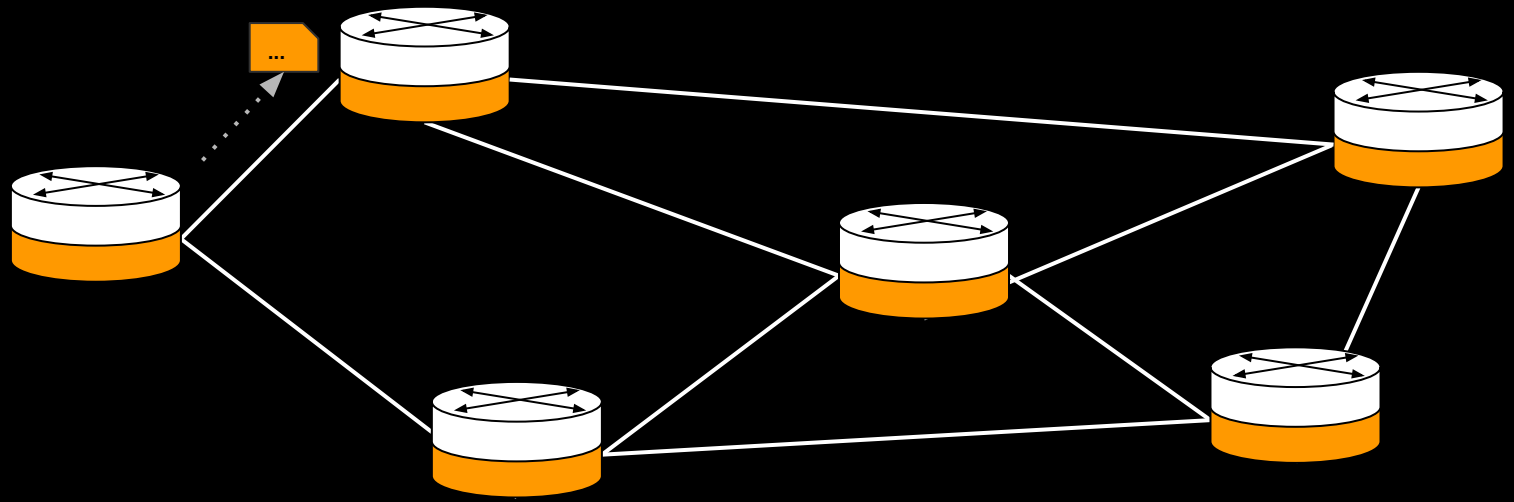
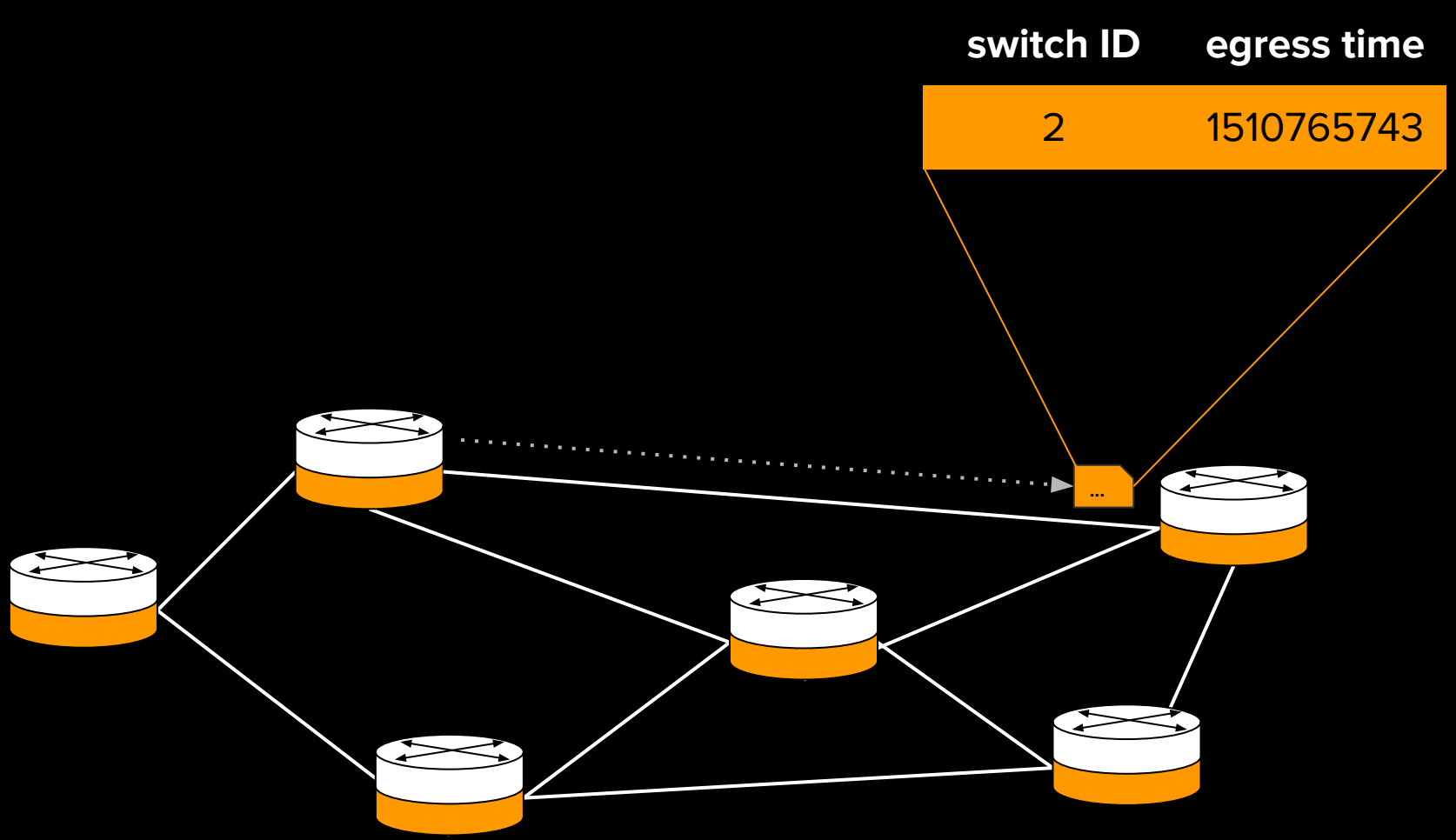


packet contains instructions to
push switch info at every hop

Tiny Packet Programs
Jeyakumar et al, 2014

In-Band Network Telemetry
Kim et al, 2016

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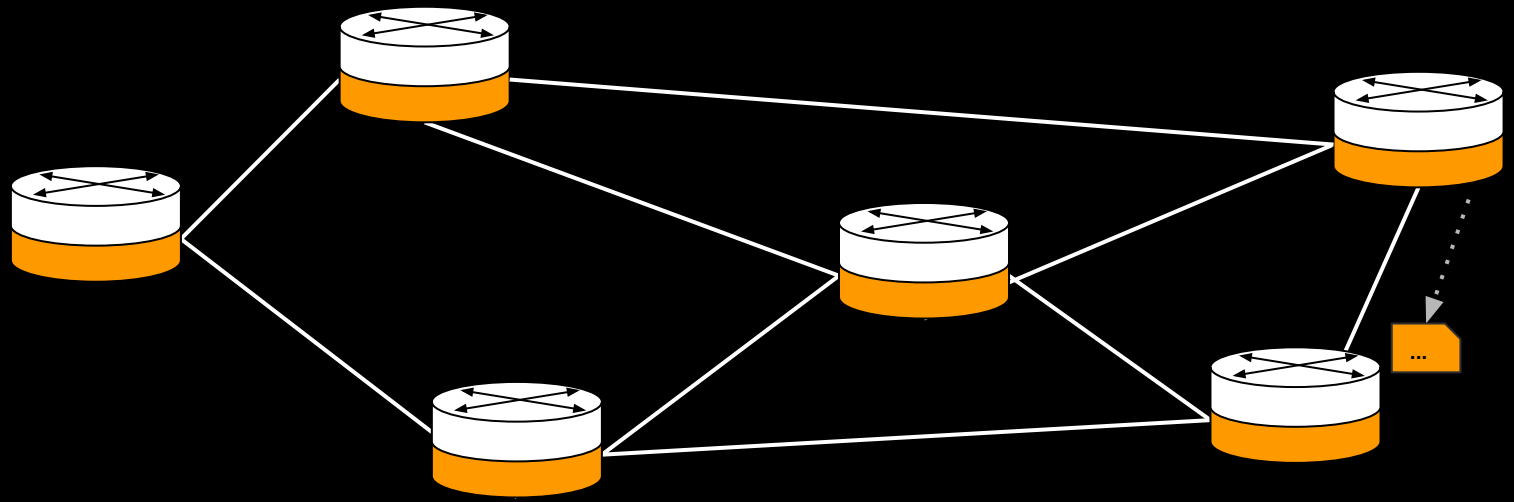

whither active networks?

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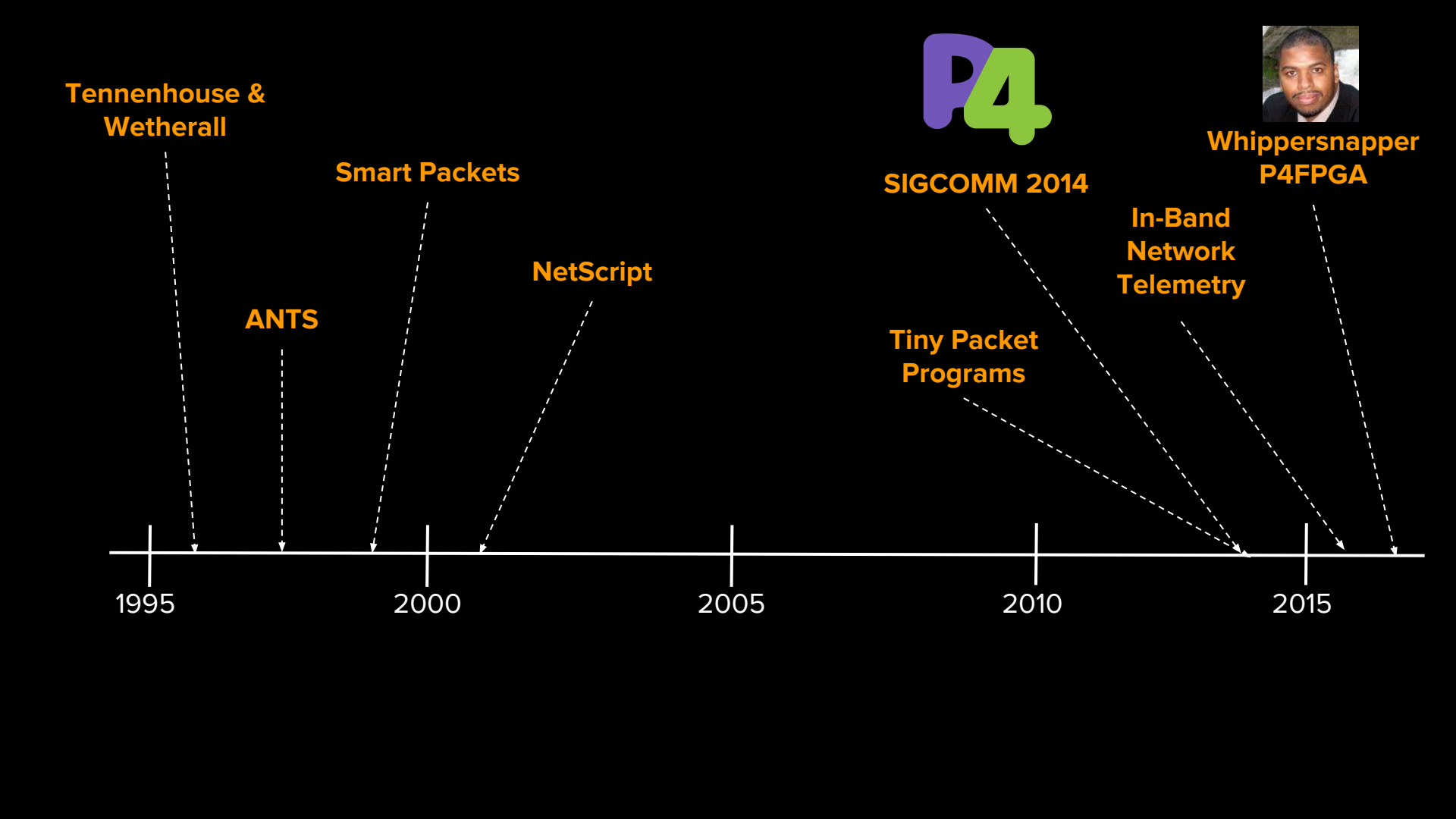
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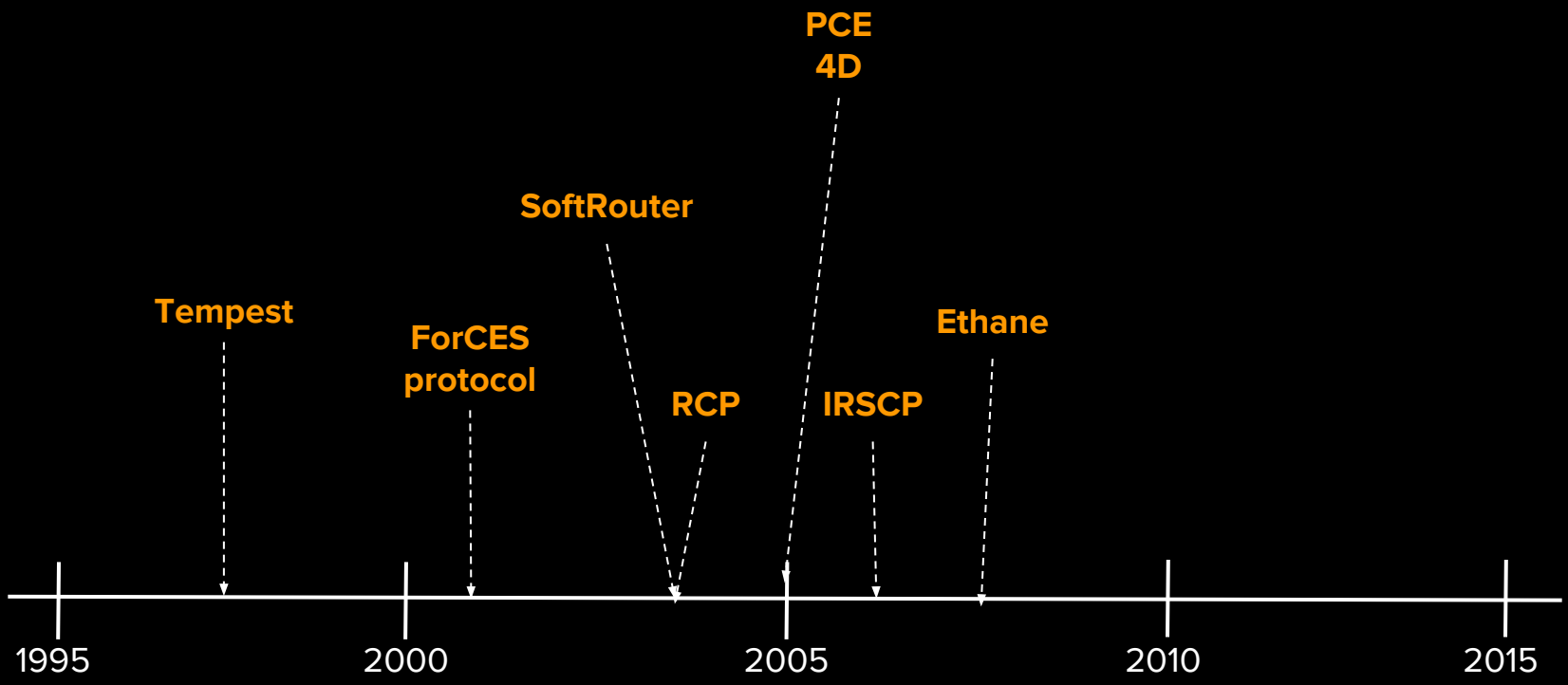
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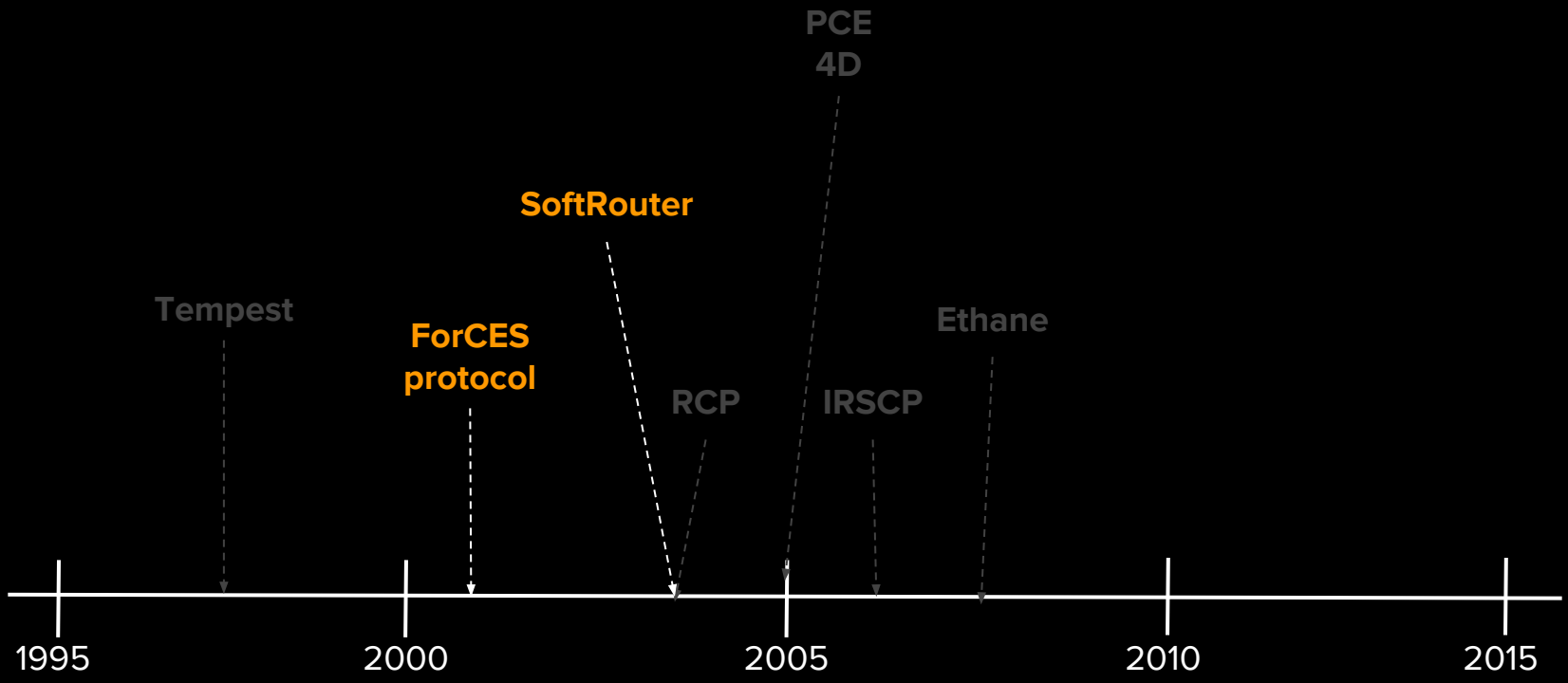
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use pulls

technology pushes

burgeoning network speeds

insufficient network reliability

specialized services (VPNs)

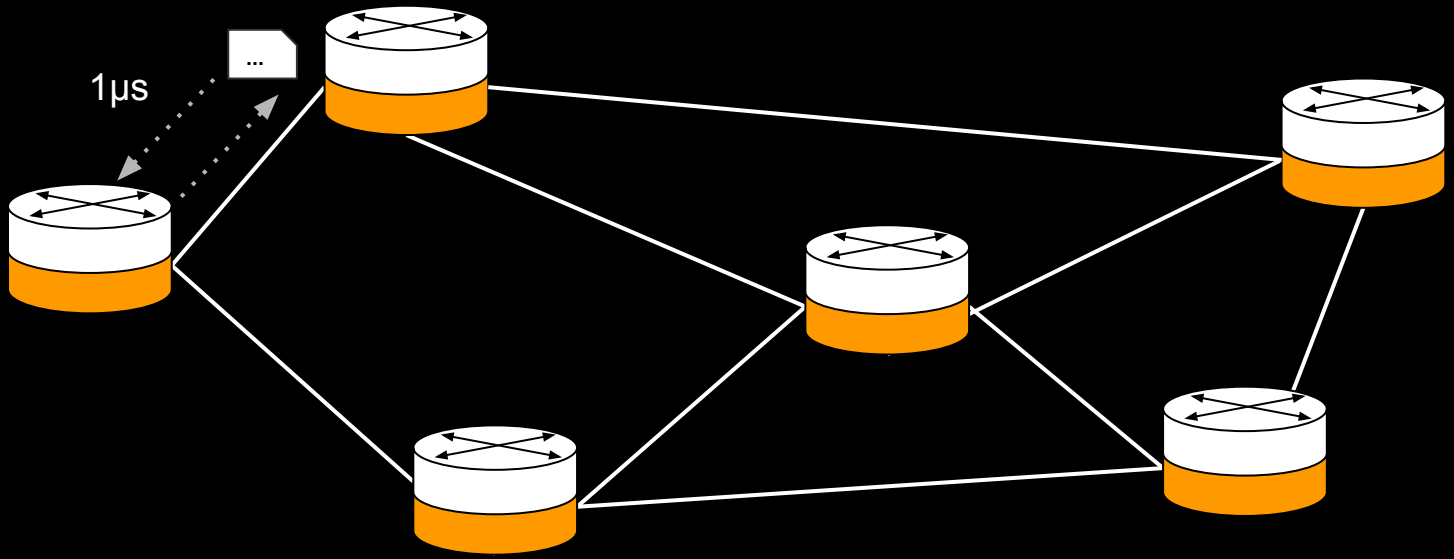
use pulls

technology pushes

open interface between control and data planes

logically centralized control

Open Shortest Path First (OSPF)



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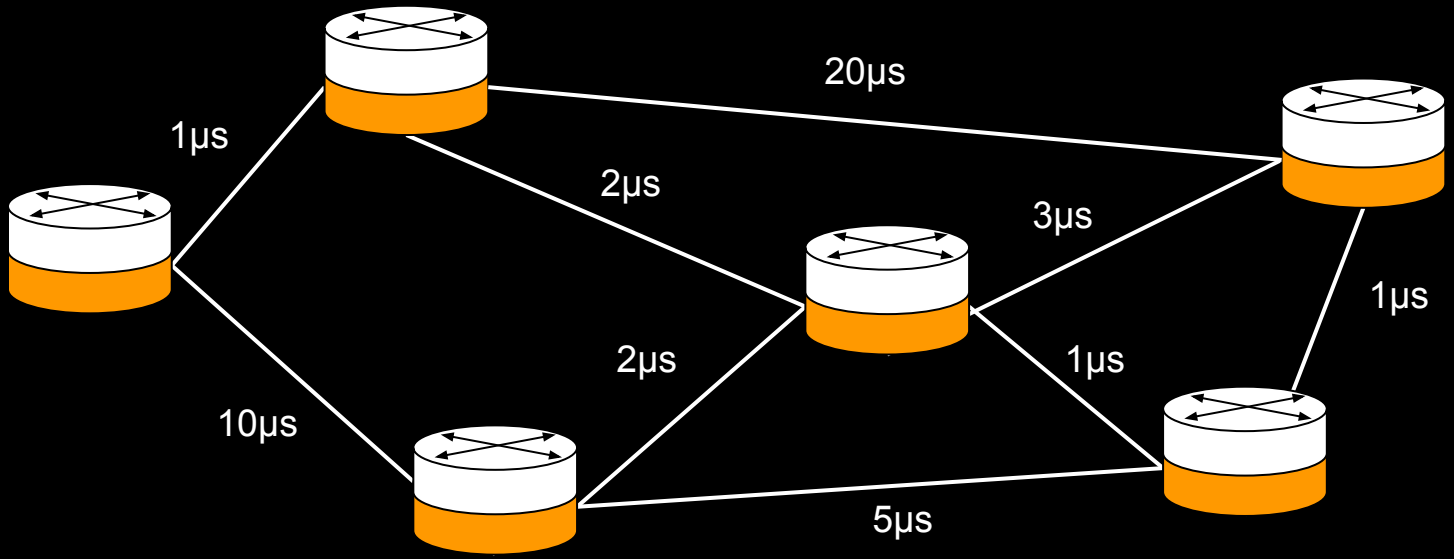

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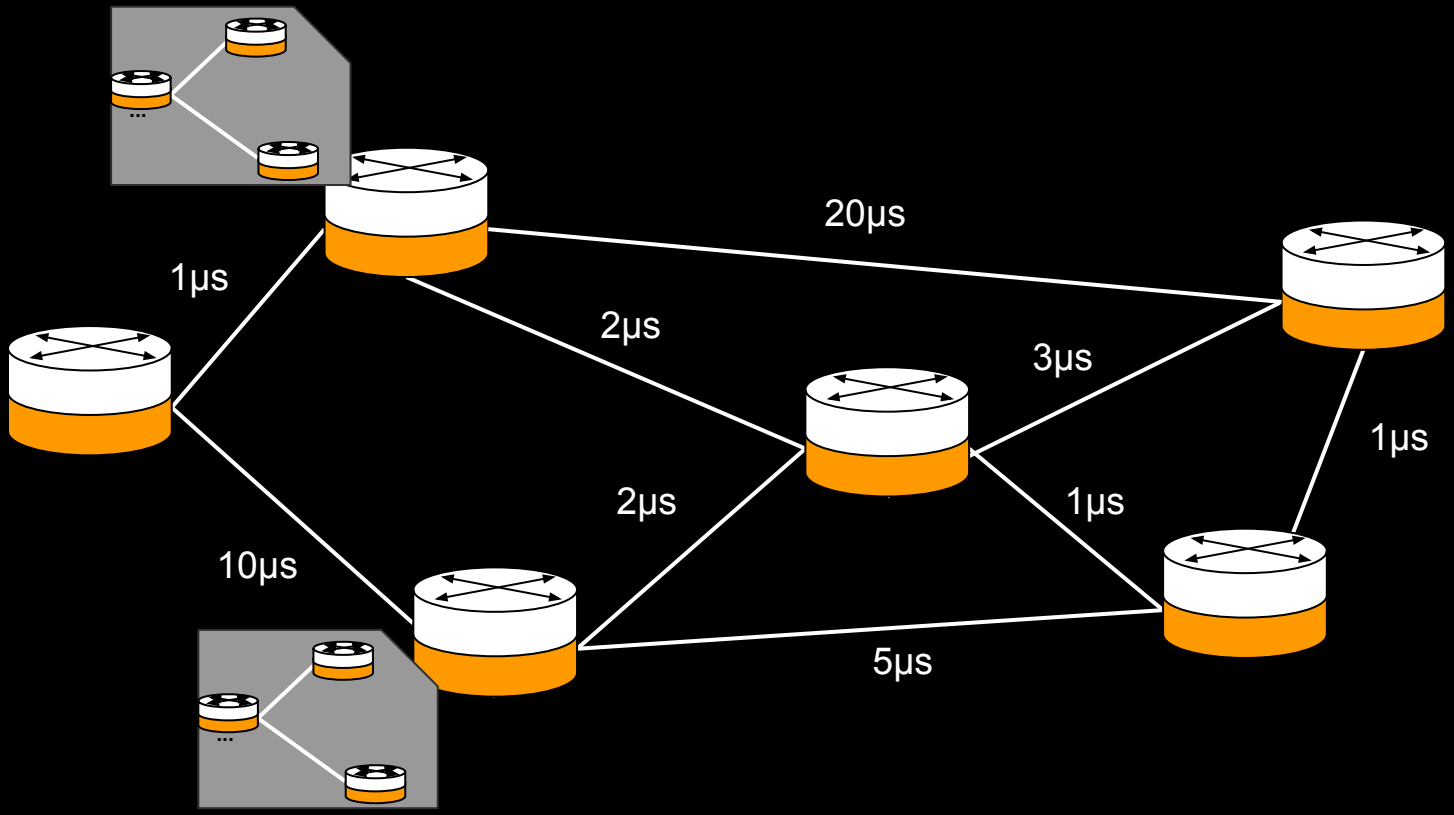

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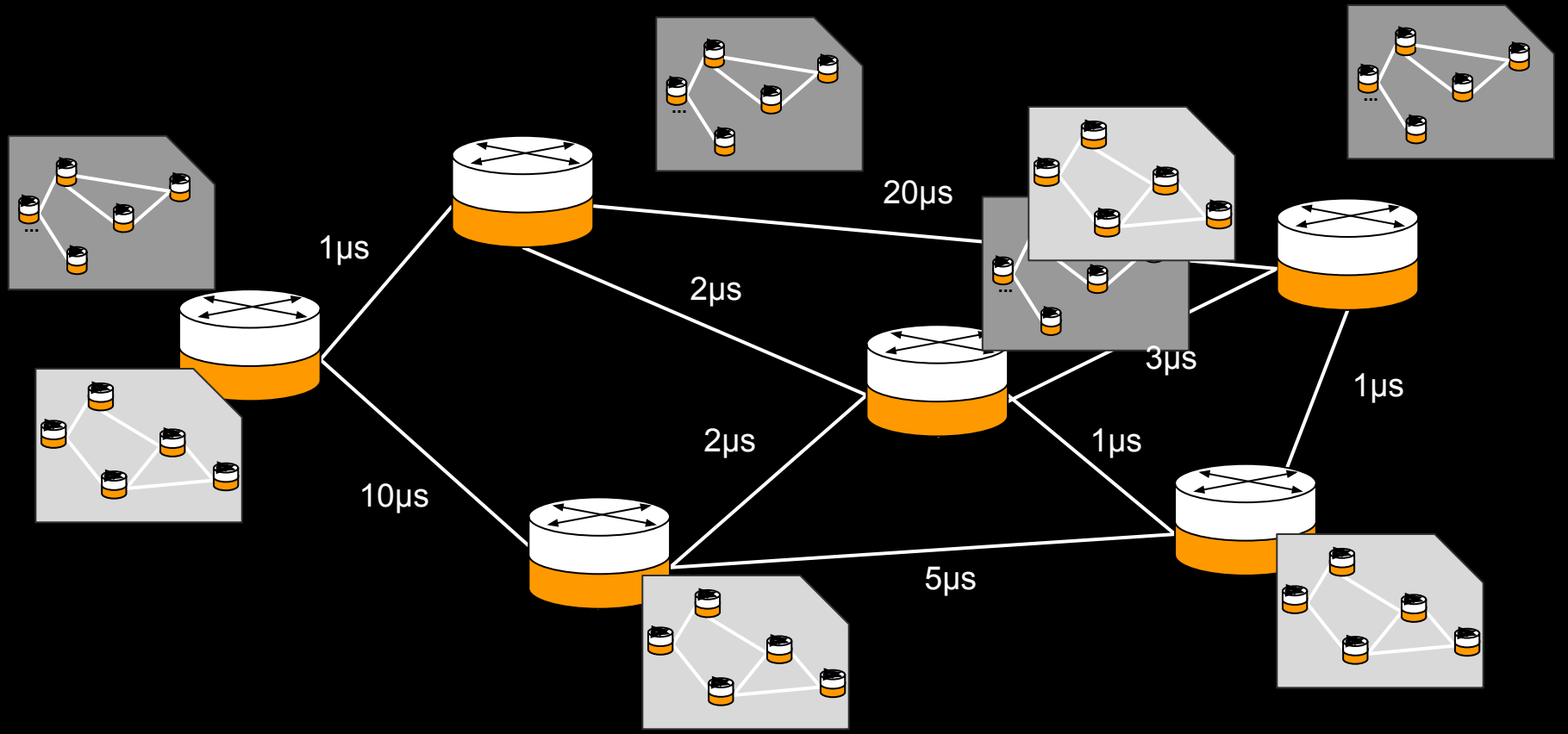

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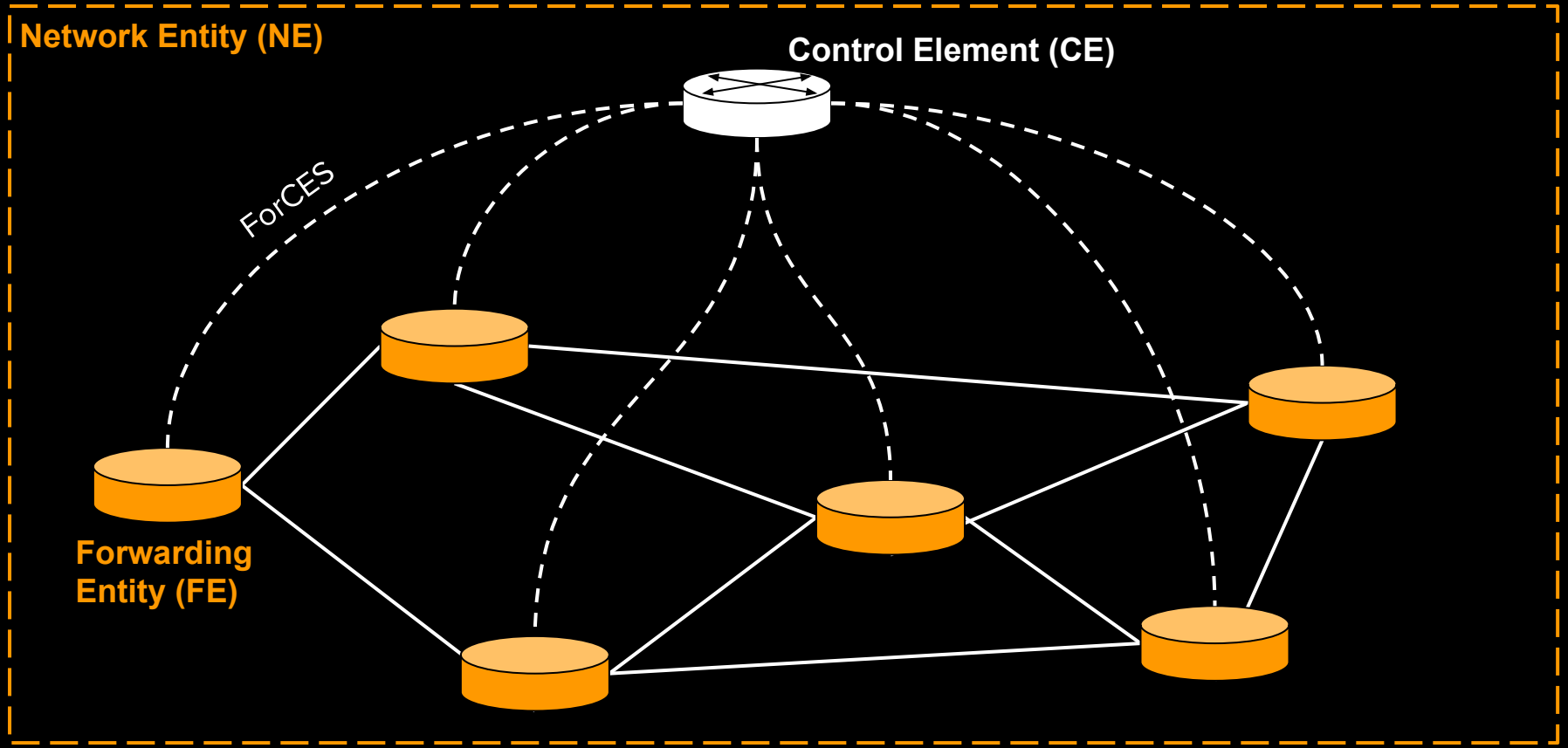
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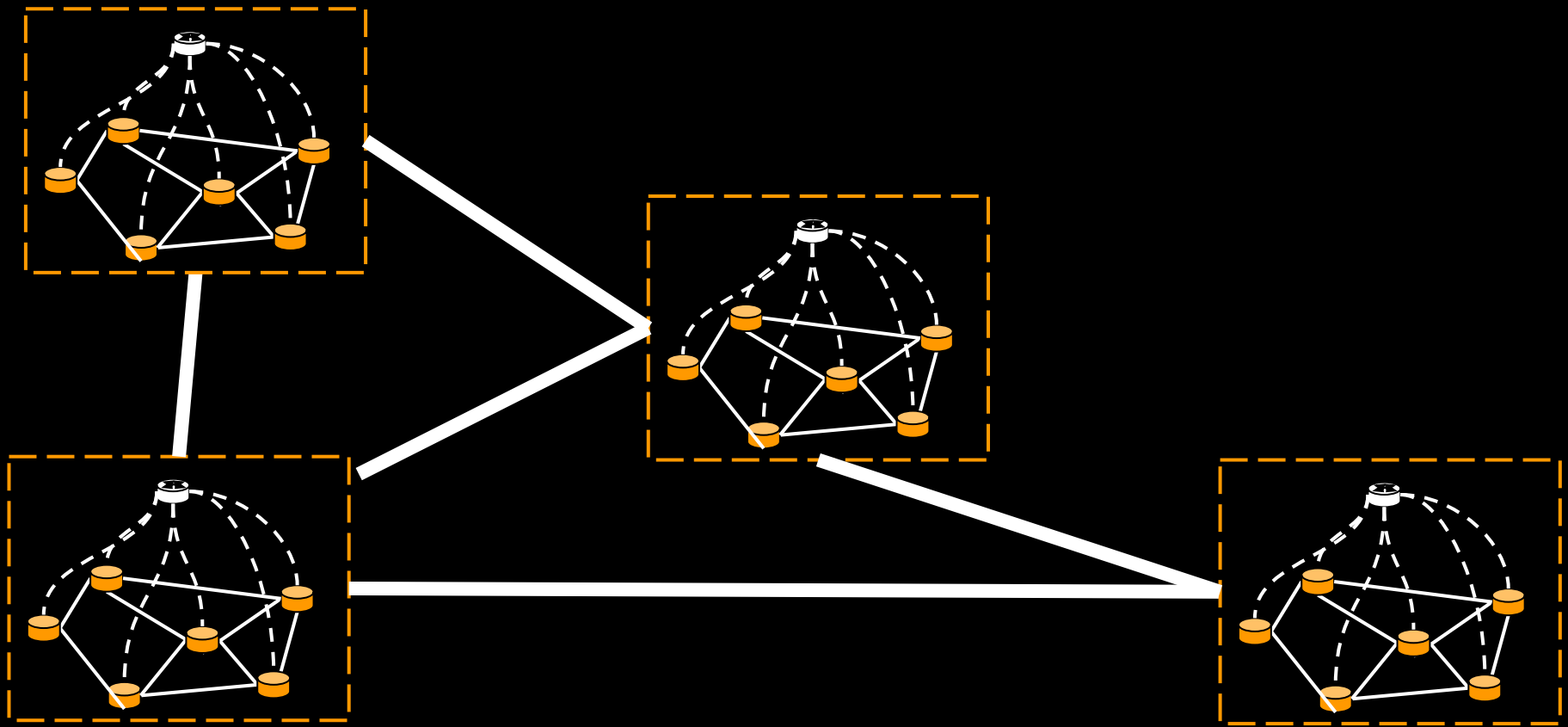

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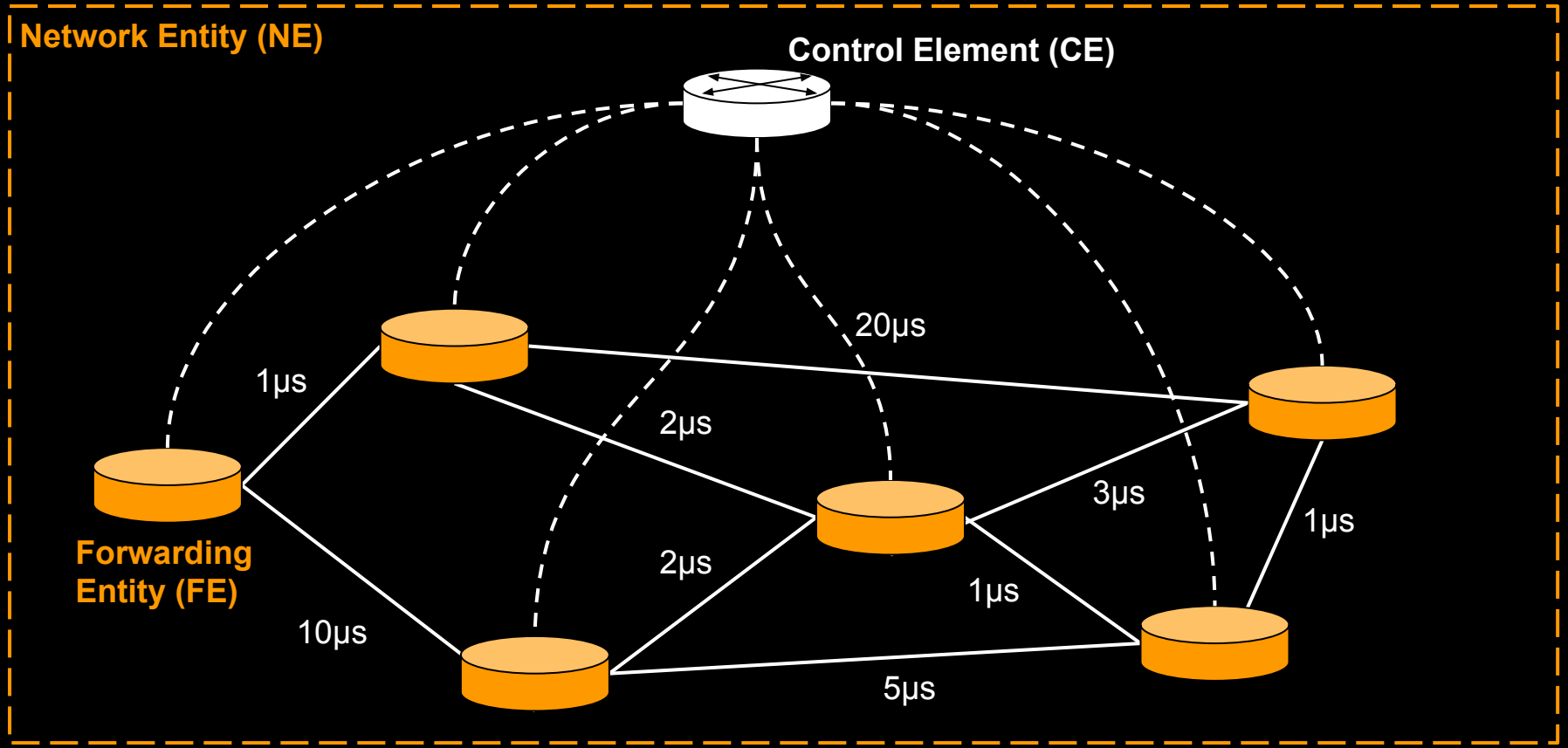
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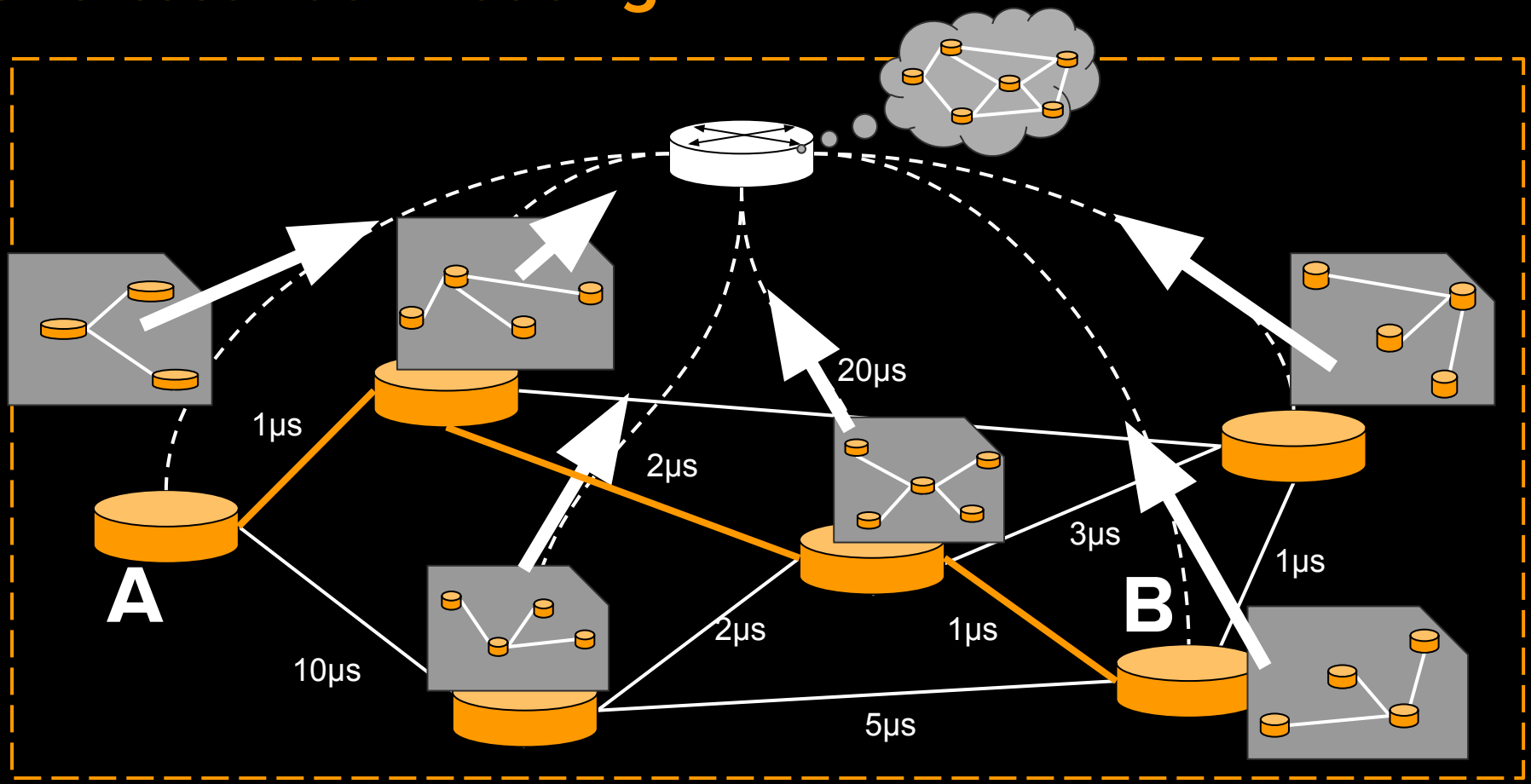
Shortest Path Routing



whither SoftRouter (and others)?

vendors didn’t adopt ForCES (and others)

not general enough

no practical deployment plan

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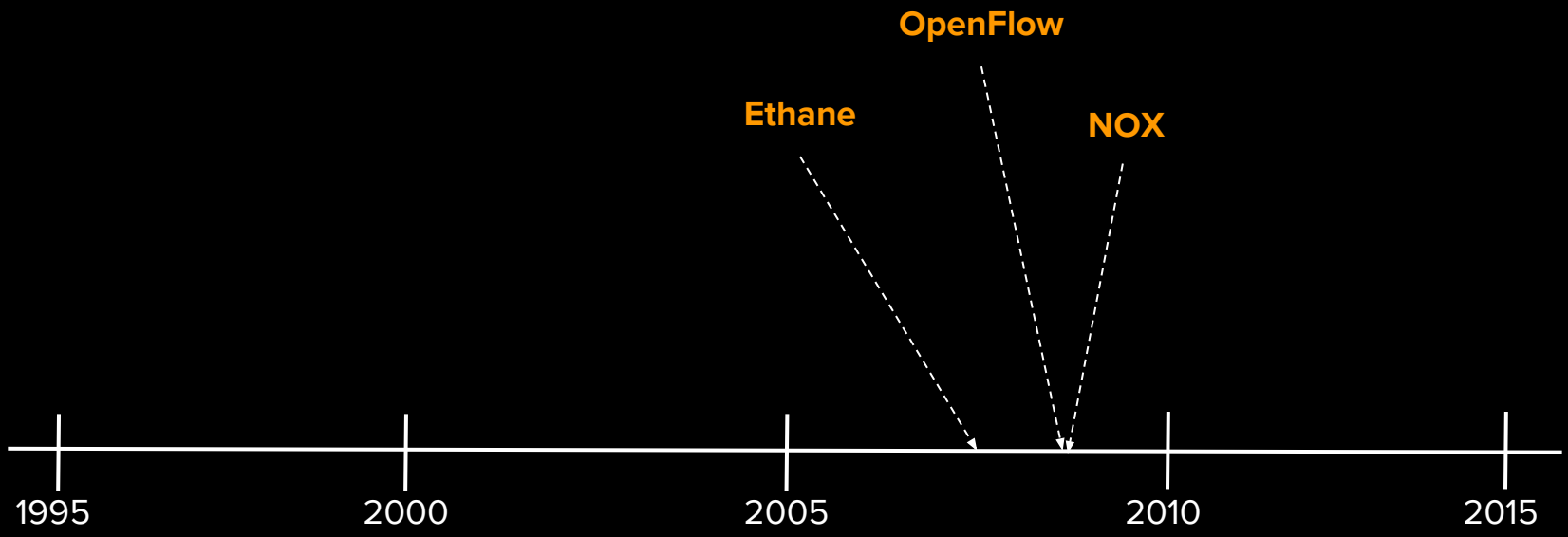
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OpenFlow: enabling innovation in campus networks

Nick McKeown, Tom Anderson, Hari Balakrishnan,
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Jennifer Rexford, Scott Shenker, Jonathan Turner

SIGCOMM 2008

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use pulls

technology pushes

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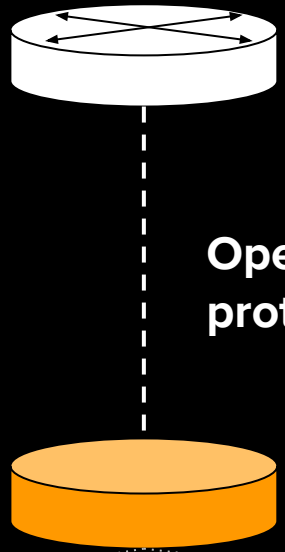
backwards compatible

general packet processing
(more fields to match on)

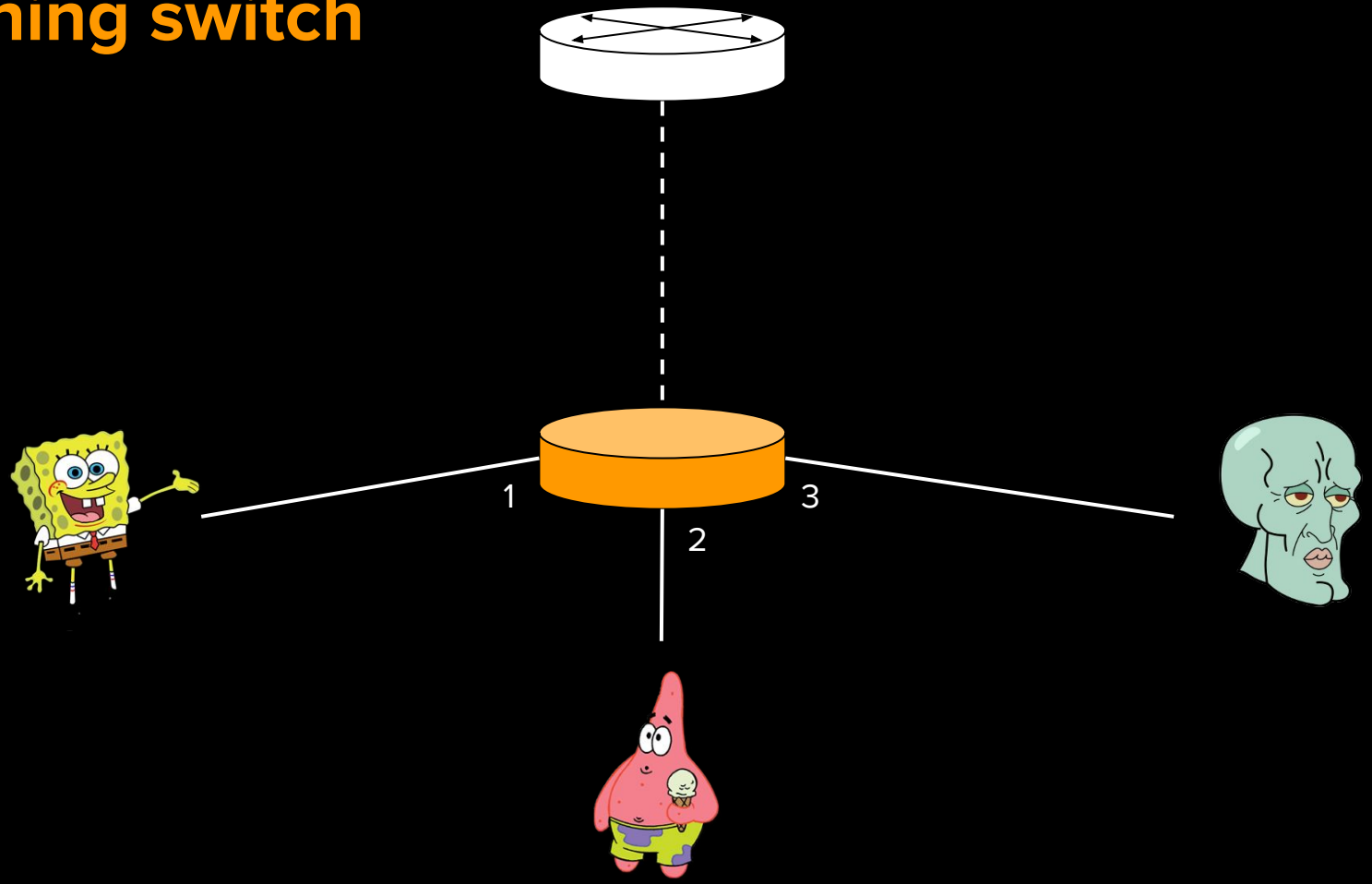


OpenFlow protocol

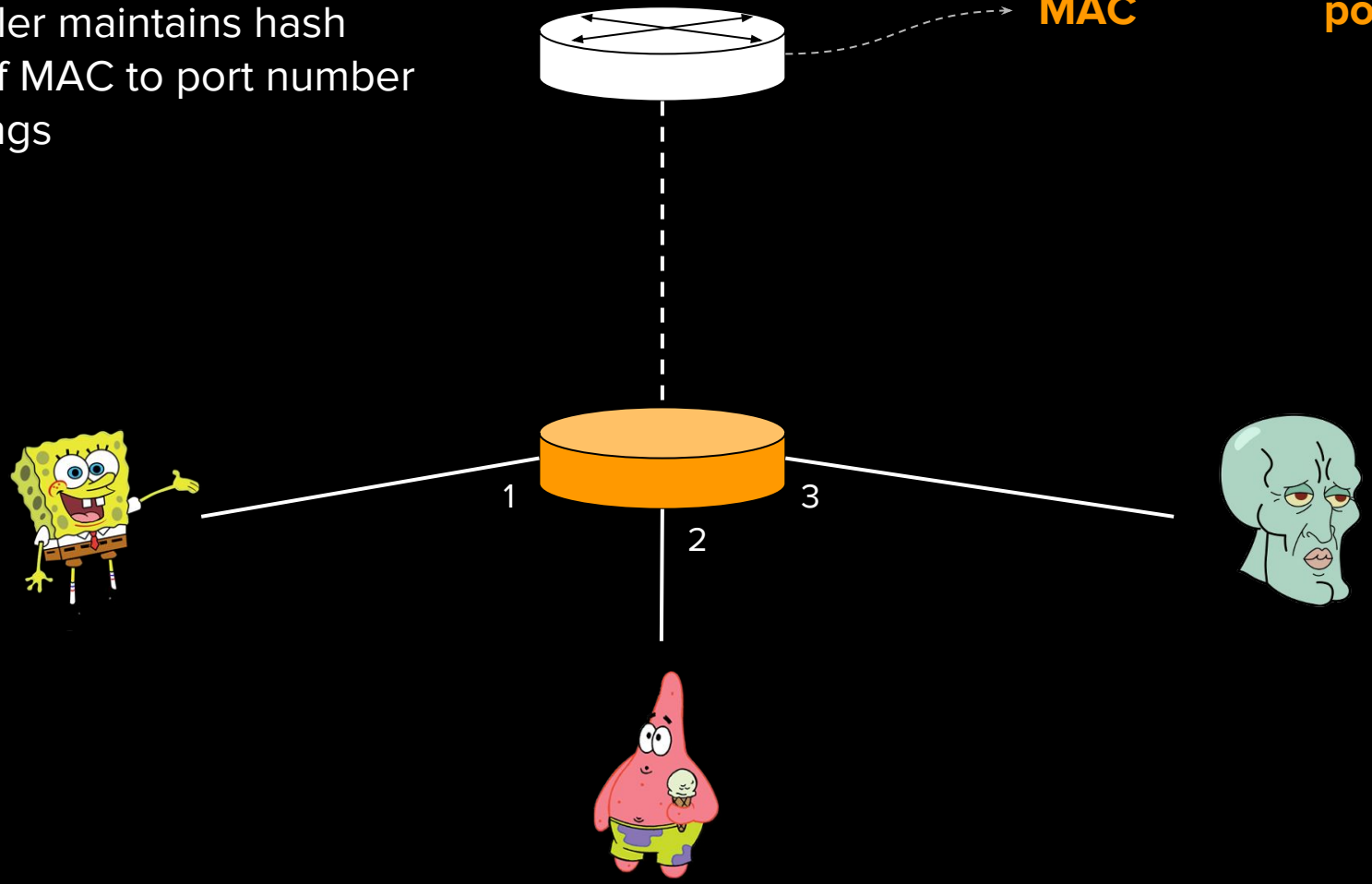
flow table

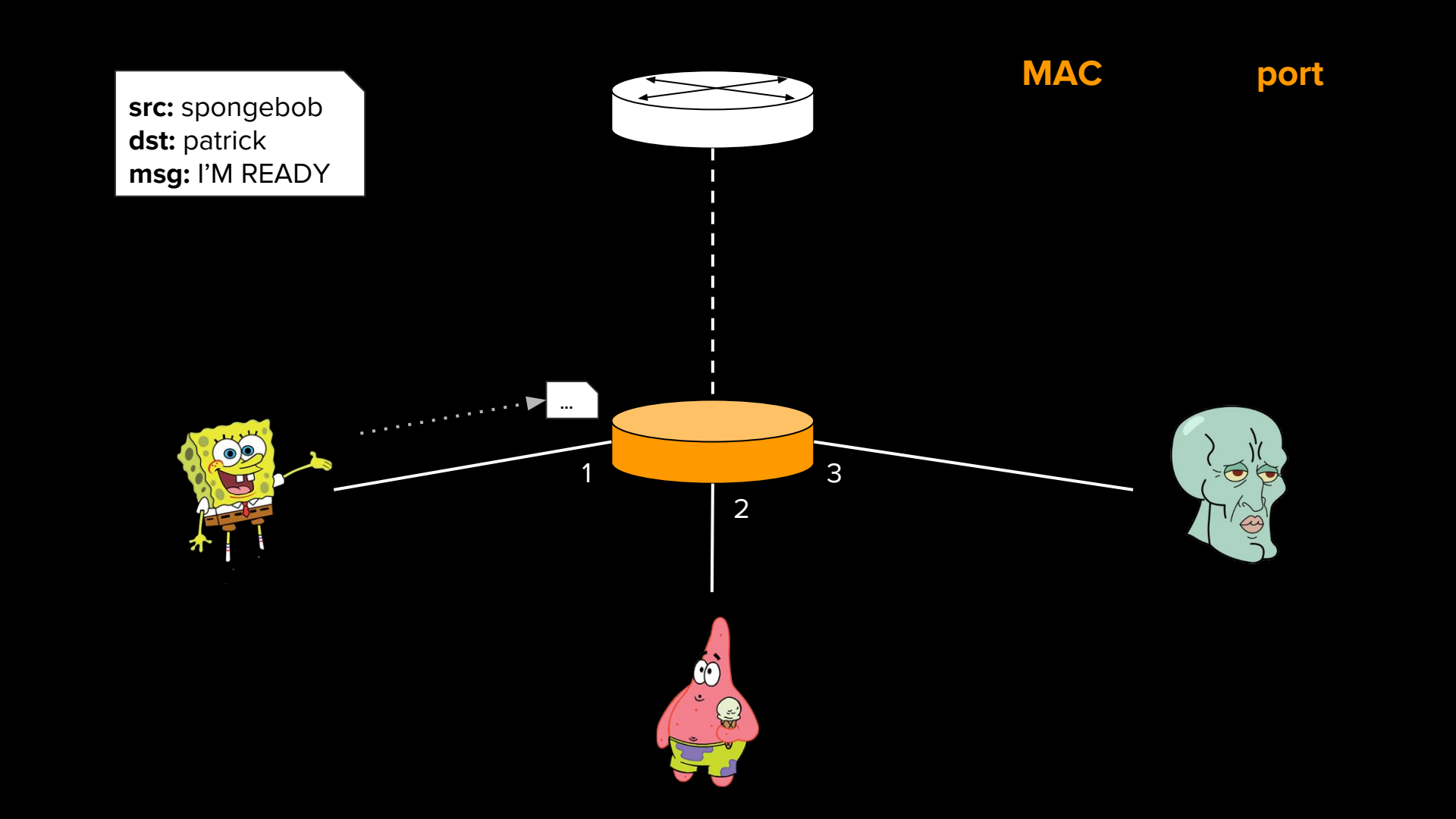
fields	counter	action
srcIp=10.0.0.*, ipProto=TCP	10	pt = 2
dstPort=80	0	drop

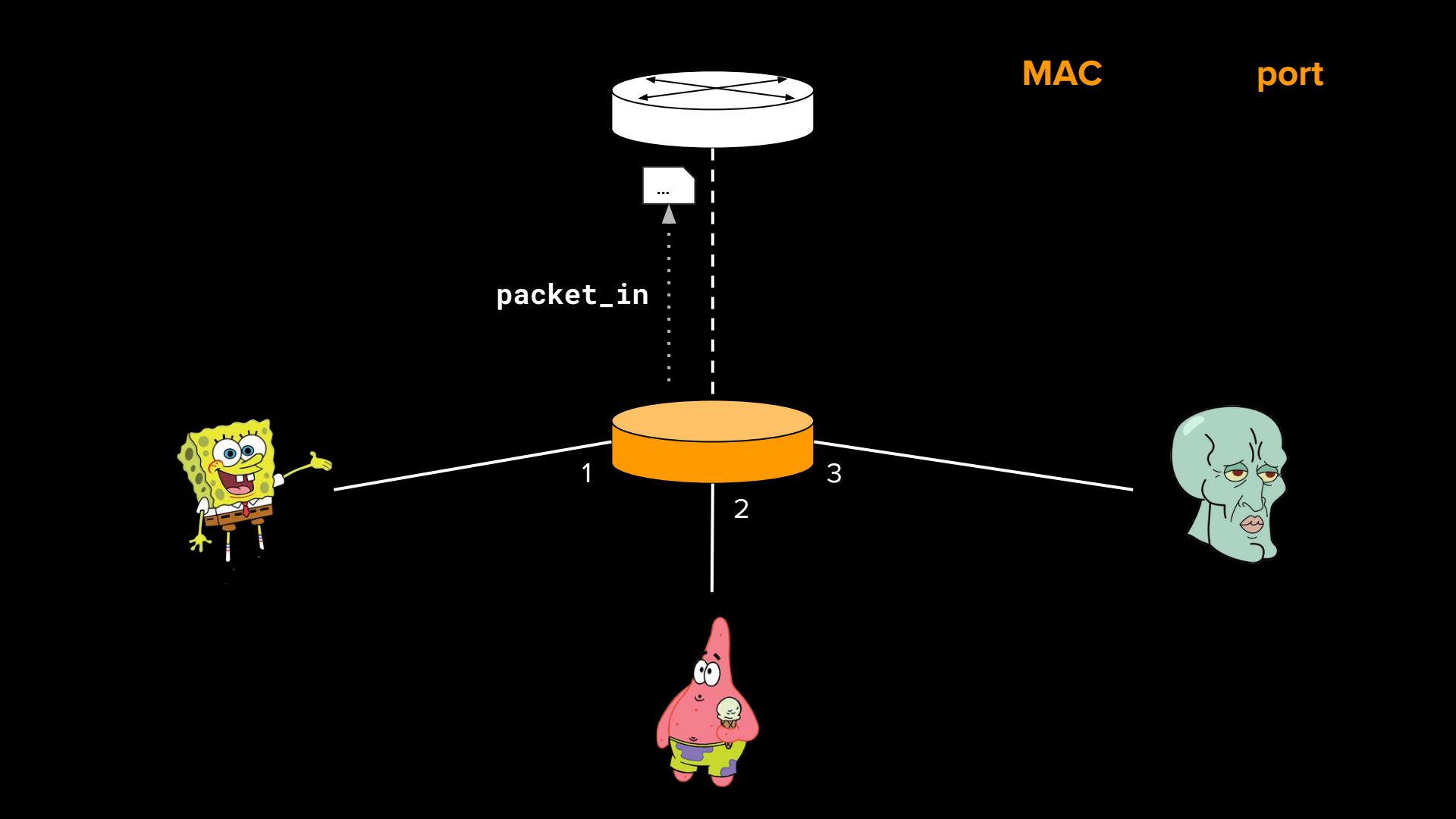
learning switch



controller maintains hash table of MAC to port number mappings




src: spongebob
dst: patrick
msg: I'M READY
MAC
port
...
1
2
3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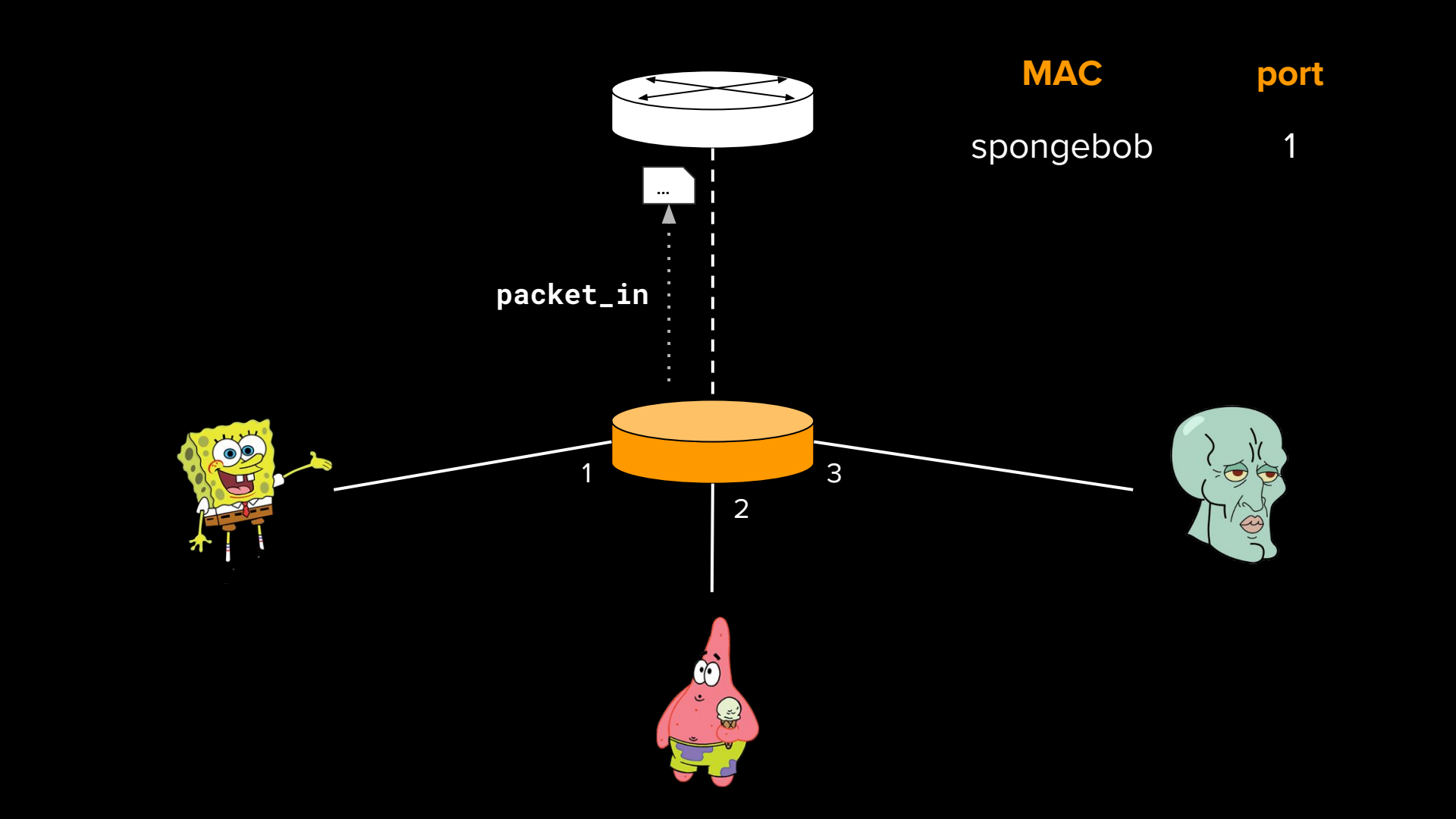
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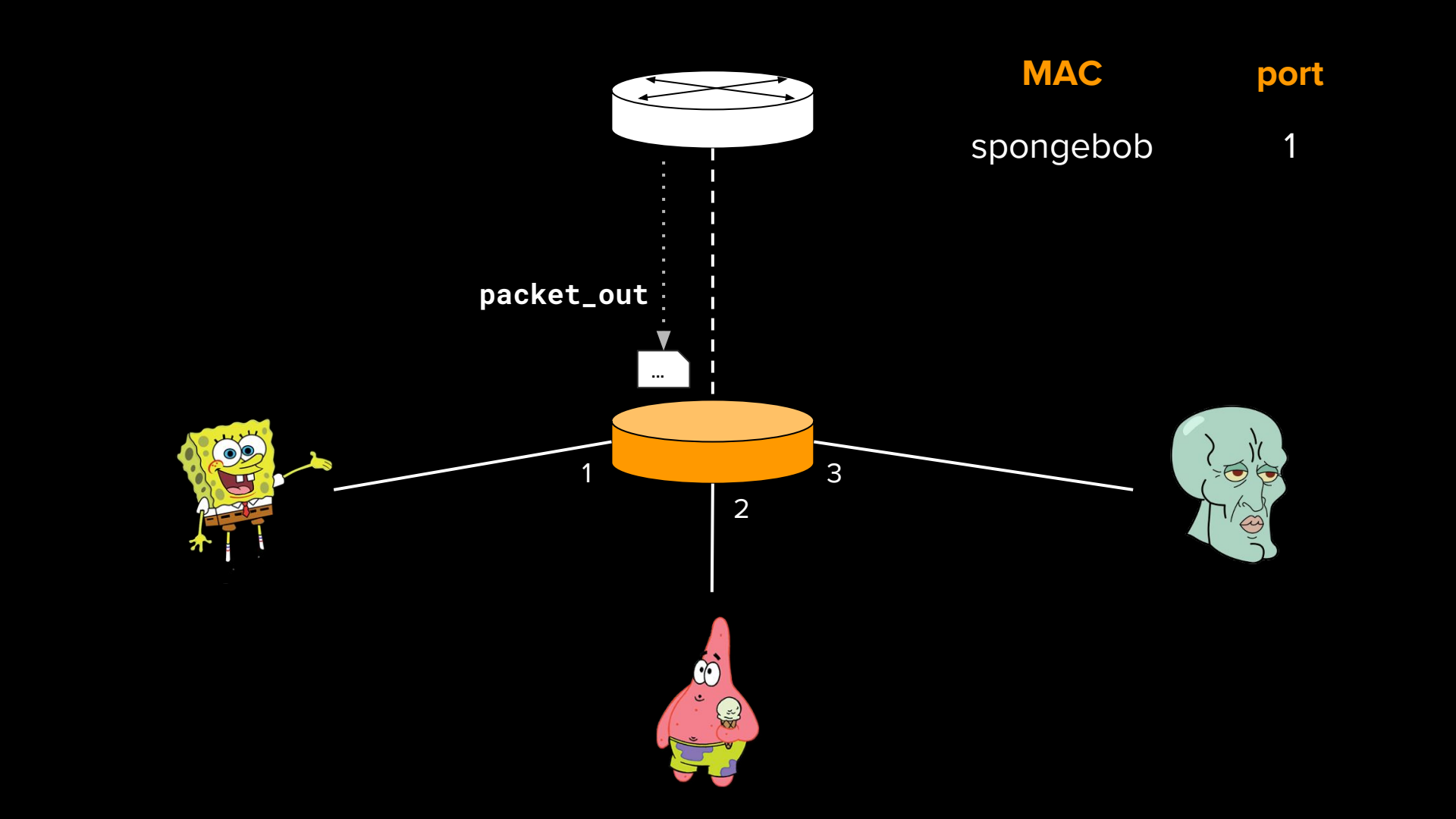
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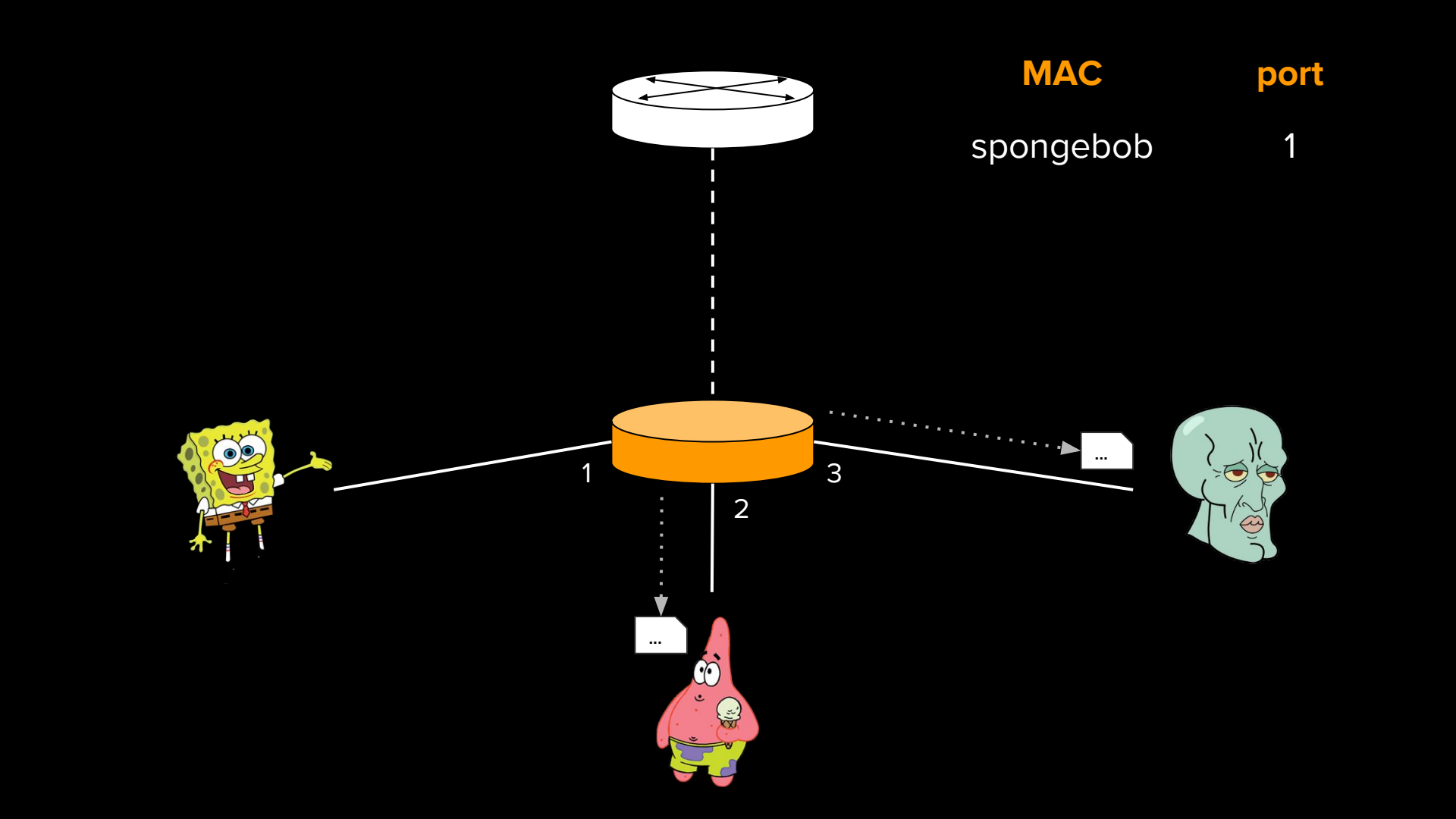
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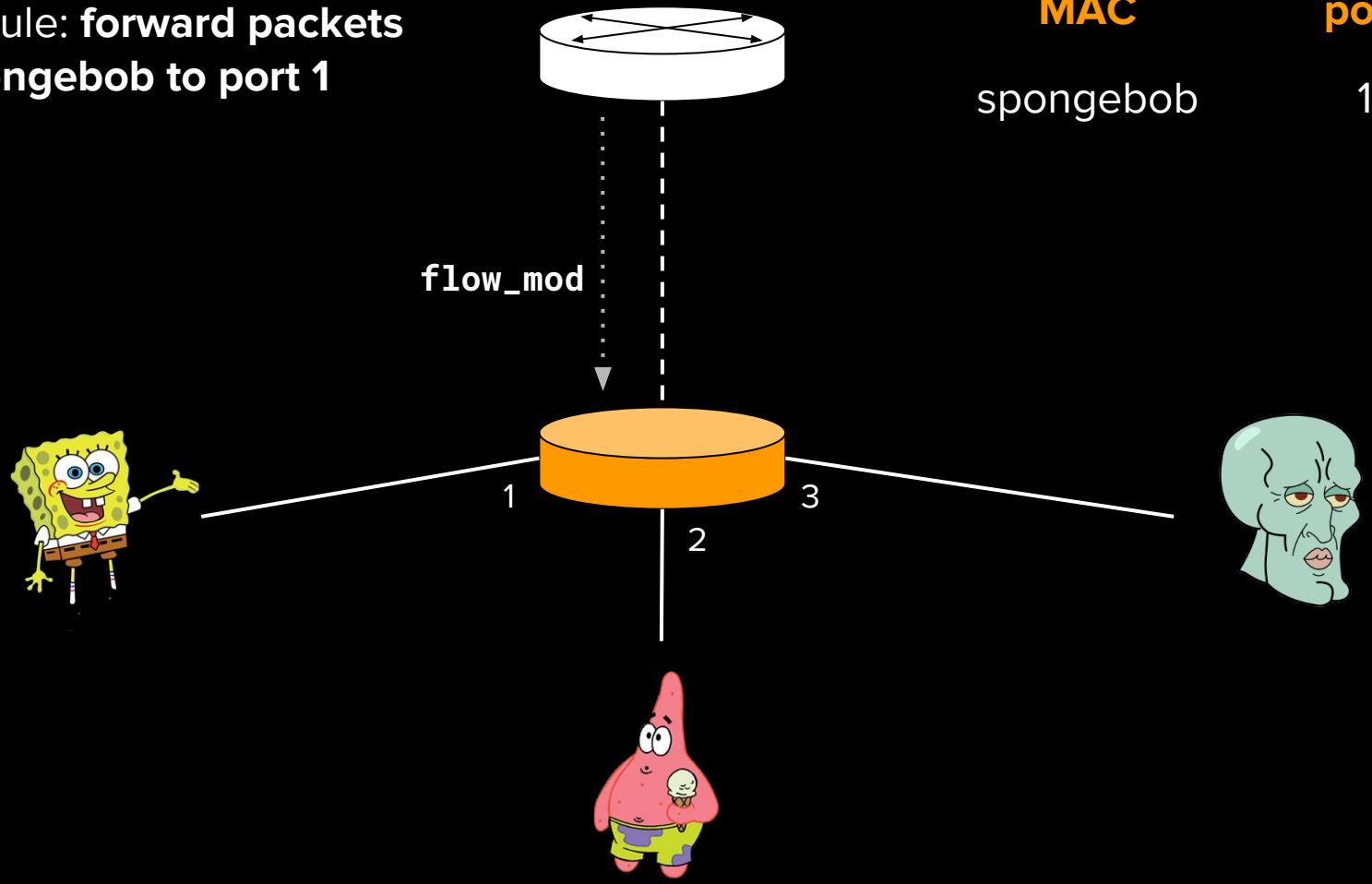
install rule: **forward packets for spongebob to port 1**



MAC	port
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src: patrick
dst: spongebob
msg: i'm patrick

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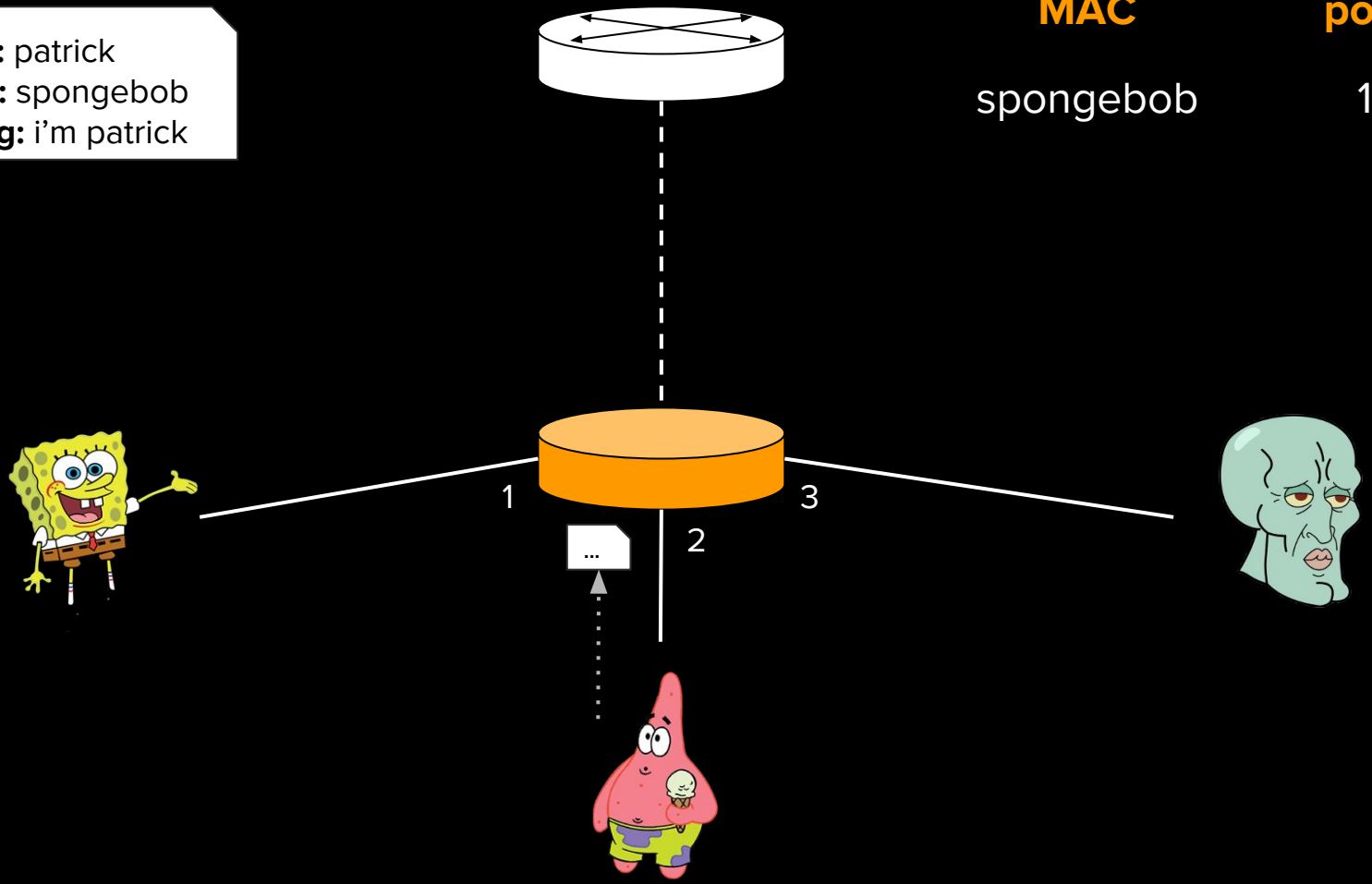
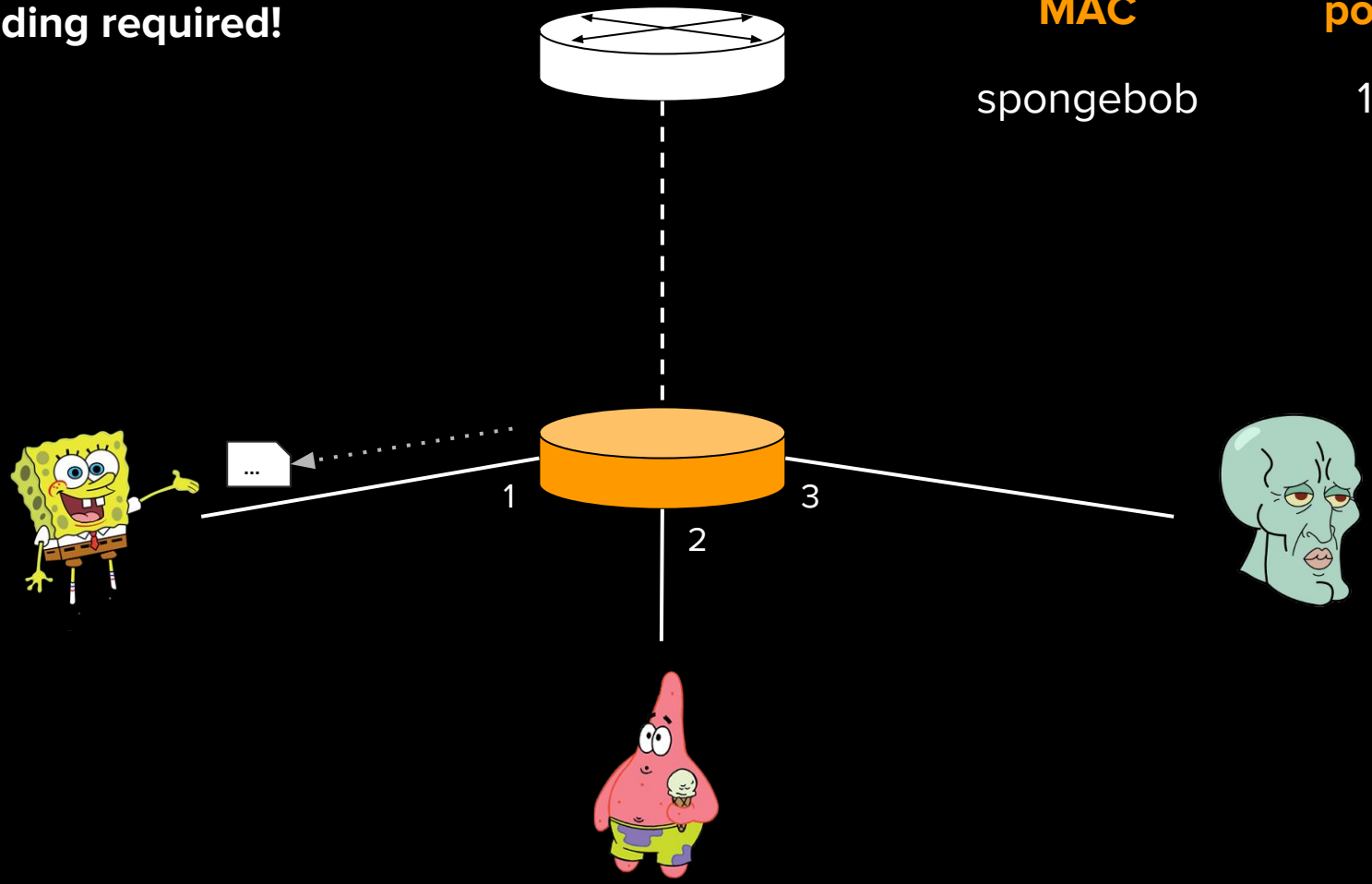


no flooding required!



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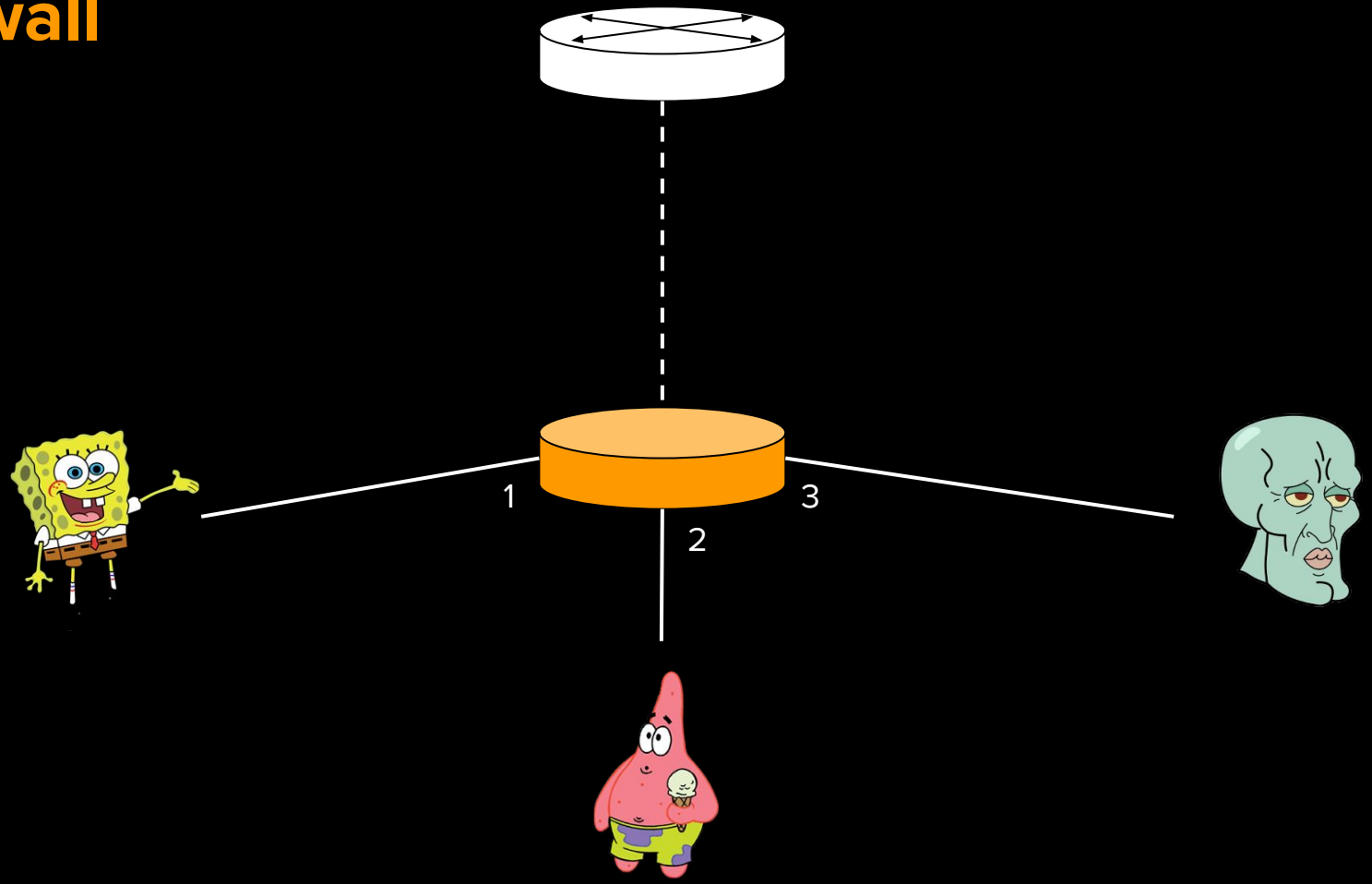
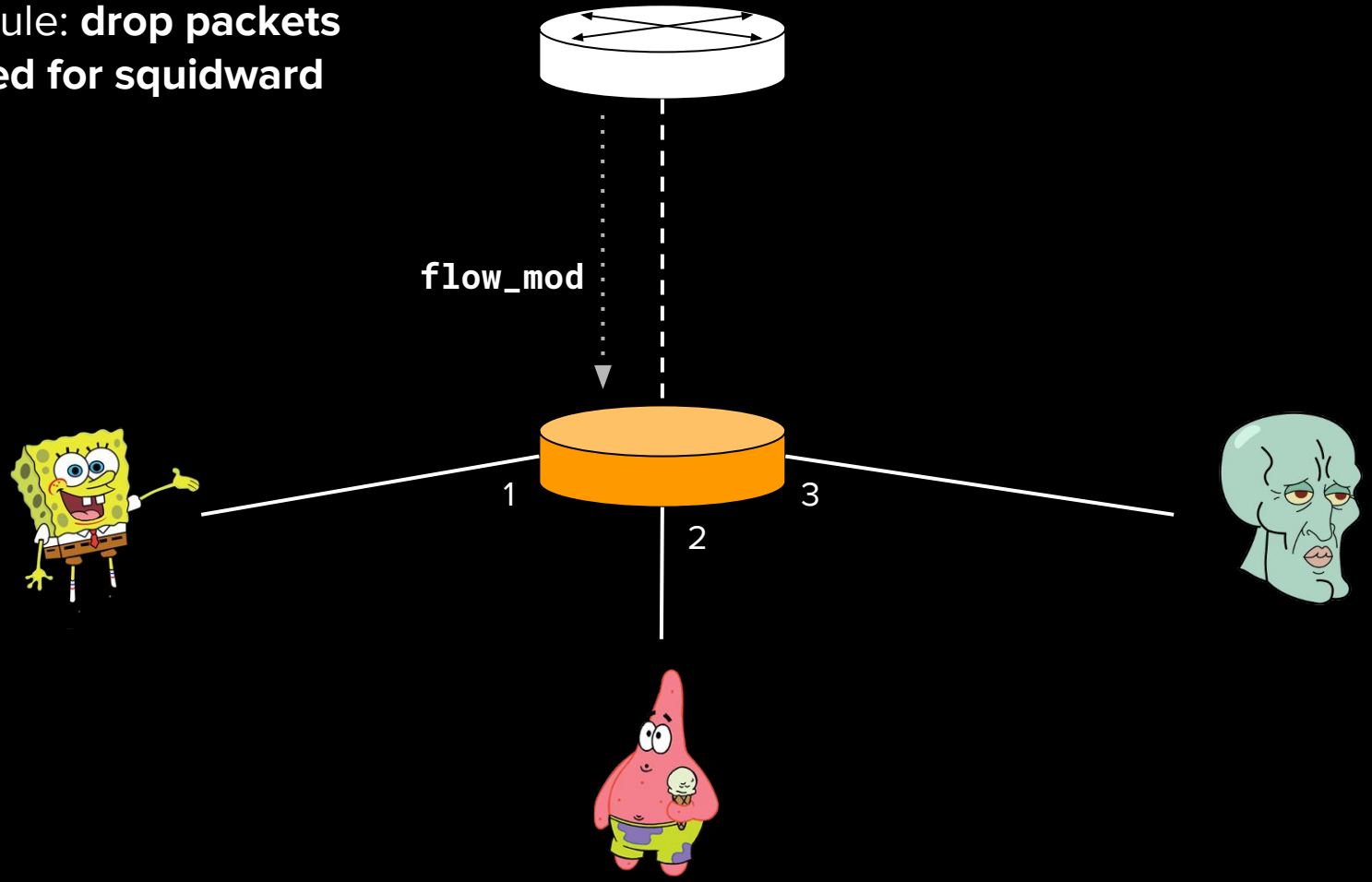
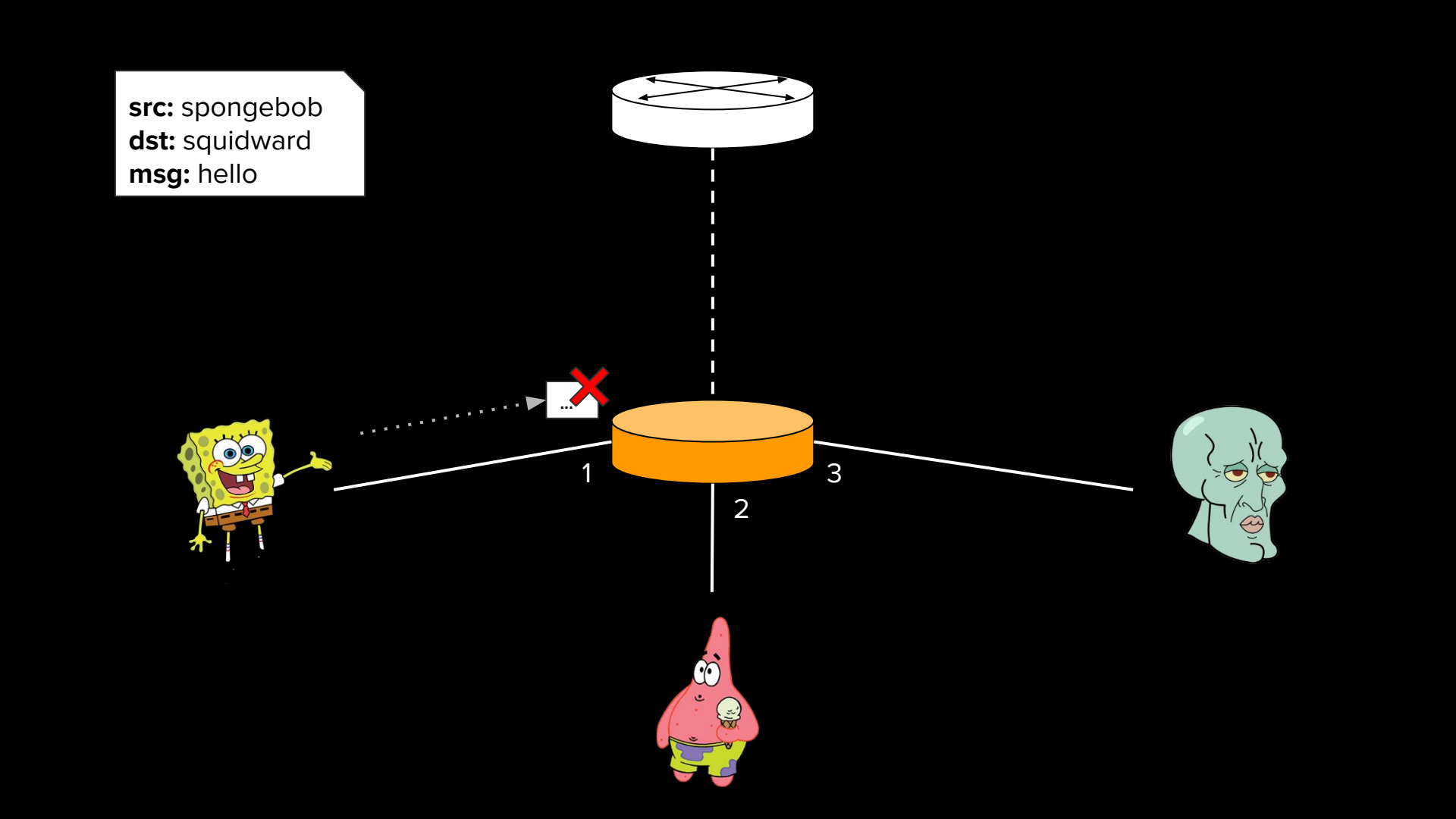


install rule: **drop packets destined for squidward**

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dst: squidward
msg: hello
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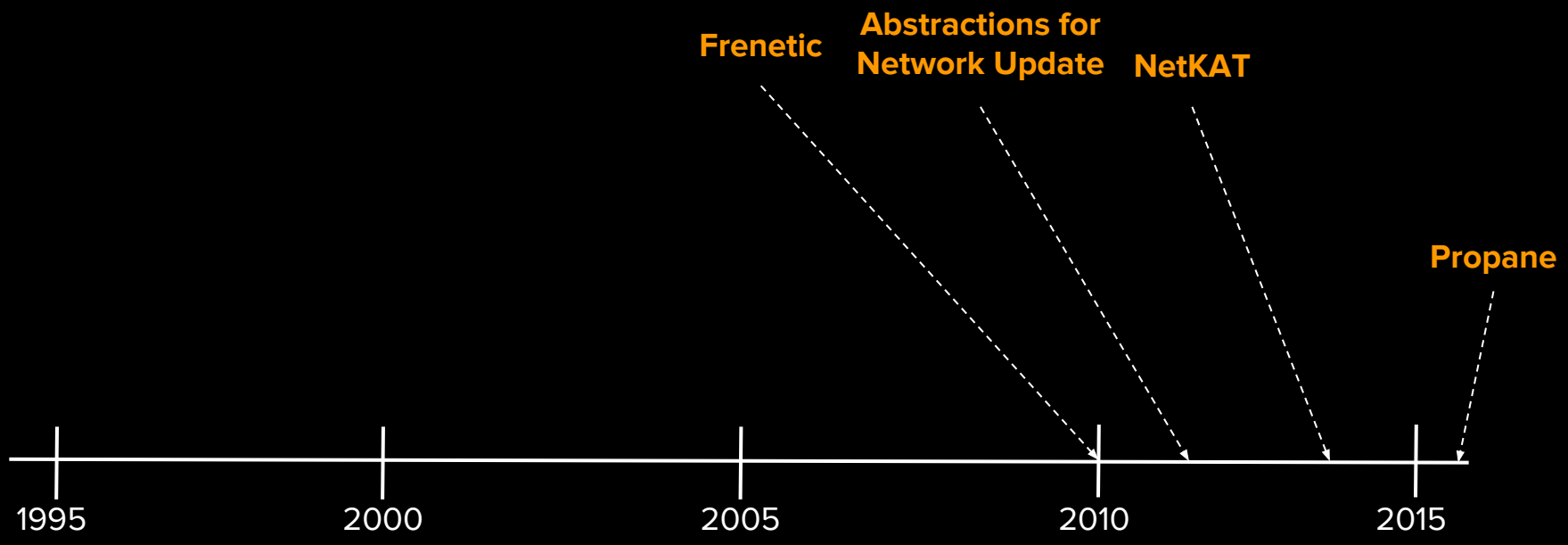
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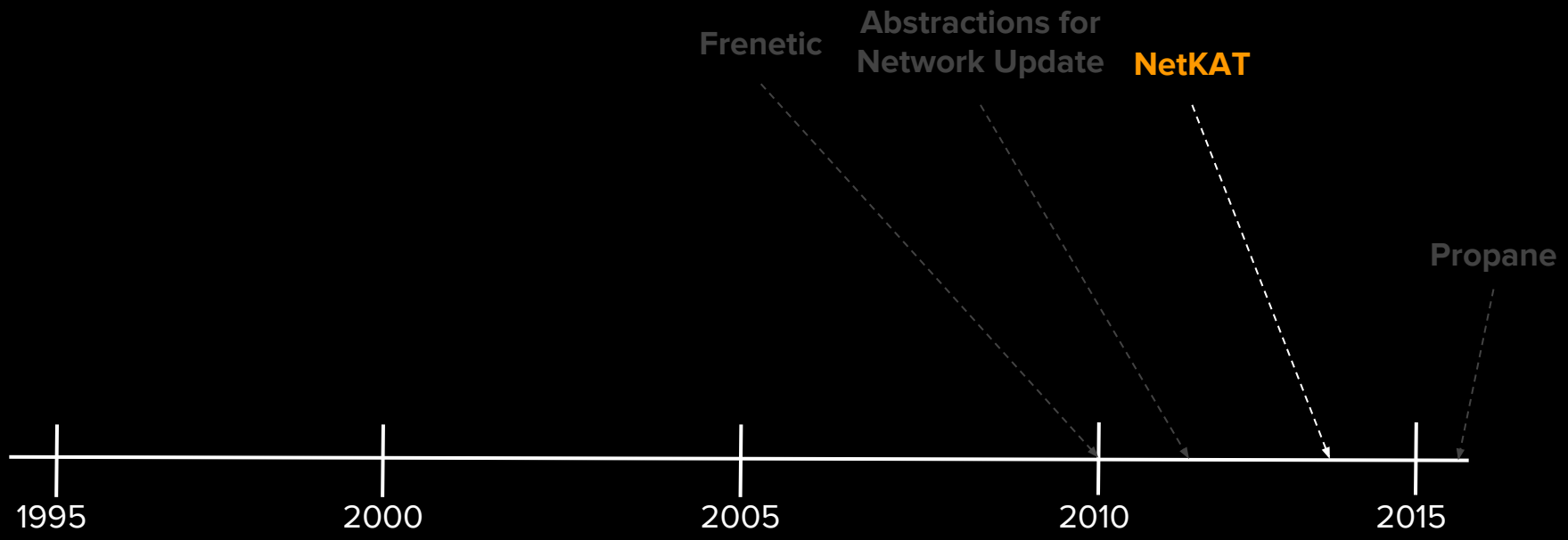
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NetKAT

Forwarding Policy (F)

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    (if pt==1 then p=2 elif pt=2 then pt=1)
else drop
```

Topology (T)

```
if sw==A and pt==2 then (sw=B; pt=1)
elif sw==B and pt==1 then (sw=A; pt=2)
else drop
```

Network Behavior

```
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NetKAT

Intuition: These are functions from packets to sets of packets

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`run(F;T)`

Want to show:
SSH packets sent from **H1** get to **H2**

Invariant true when
P1 is equivalent to **P2**.

P1

```
if typ==SSH and @h1
then run(F;T);
eventually(@h2)
```

P2

```
if typ==SSH and @h1
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```

let `@h1` be `sw==A and pt==1`
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“run” the network

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packets received by **H2**

P2

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```

NetKAT

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if sw == A then:
      if port == 1 then port := 2
      elif port == 2 then port := 3
      else drop

elif sw == B then:
      if port==1 drop
      else port := 1

elif sw == C
      if   port == 1 then port :=3
      elif port == 3 then port :=2
      elif port == 2 drop;
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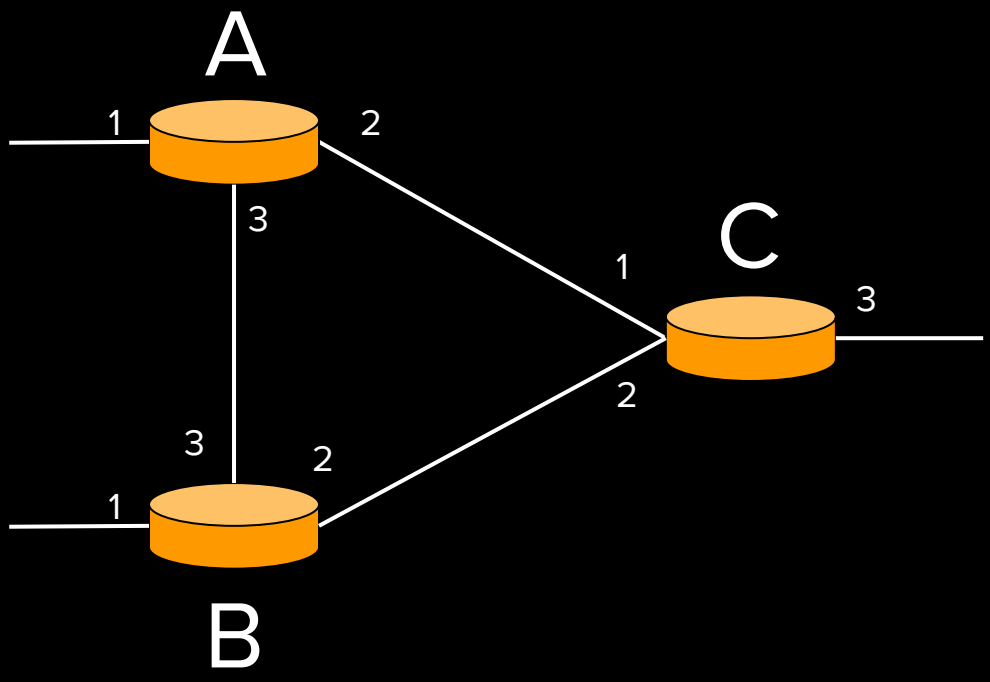

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if sw == A then:
      if port == 2 then alert_ctrl
      else port := 3

if sw == B then:
      if port == 1 then drop
      elif port == 2 then port := 3
      elif port == 3 then port := 2

if sw == C
      if port == 1 then alert_ctrl
       elif port == 2 then port := 1
      elif port == 3 then port := 2
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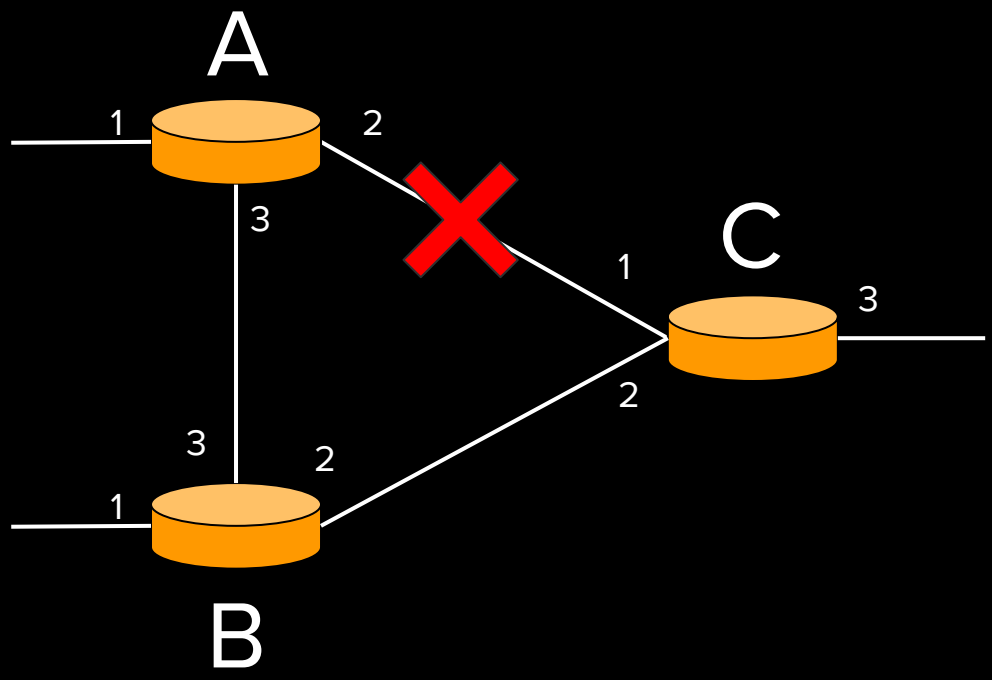

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