



# Routing Table and Routing Protocols

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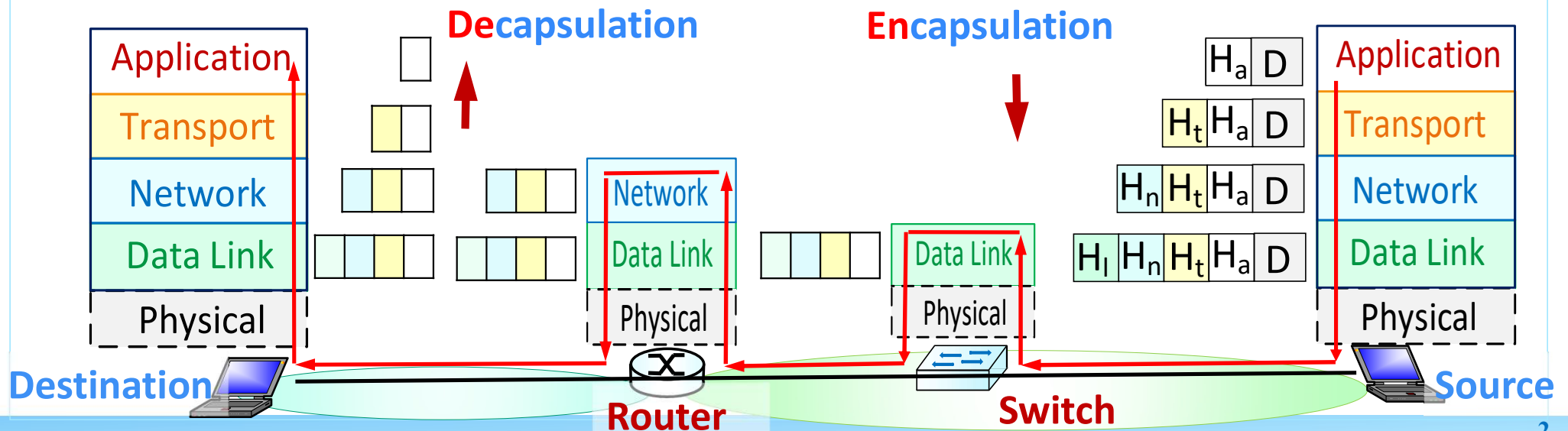
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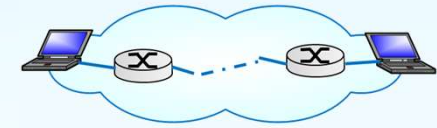
# Switches vs. Routers

- Both are store-and-forward:
  - *Routers*: NW-layer devices, examine NW-layer headers
  - *Switches*: Link-layer devices, examine link-layer headers
- Both have forwarding tables:
  - *Routers*: compute forwarding tables, using routing algorithms, IP addresses
  - *Switches*: learn forwarding table, using flooding, learning, MAC addresses

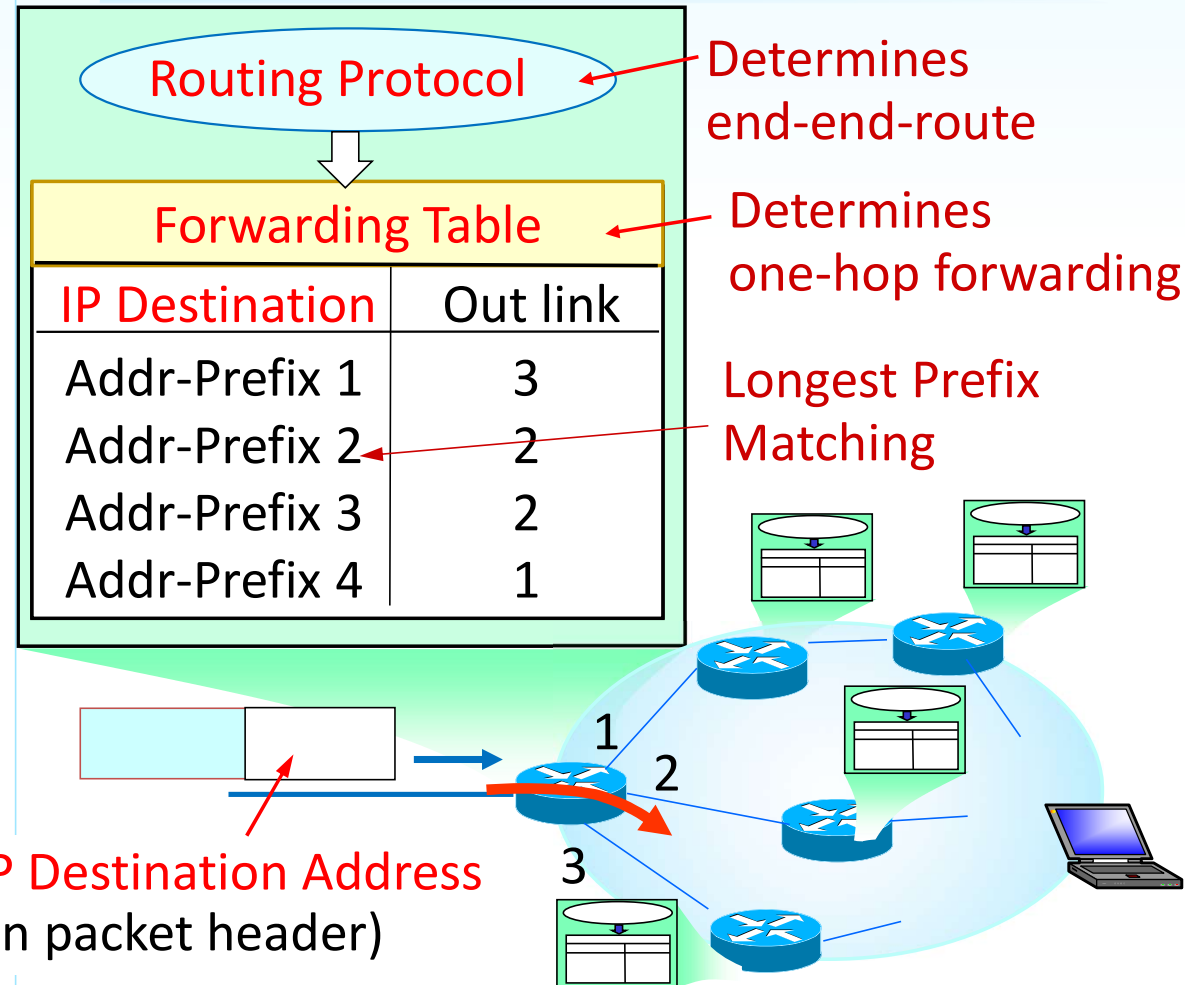




## Two Main Functions of IP Layer



- 1) **Routing: control plane**  
determines the source-destination route for packets
  - Manual (**static**) configuration or
  - Dynamic methods (Routing Algorithms)
  - **Slow** time-scales  
(per control event)
- 2) **Forwarding: data plane**  
moves packets from router input to appropriate router output
  - Based on IP Destination Addresses
  - **Fast** time-scales  
(per-packet)

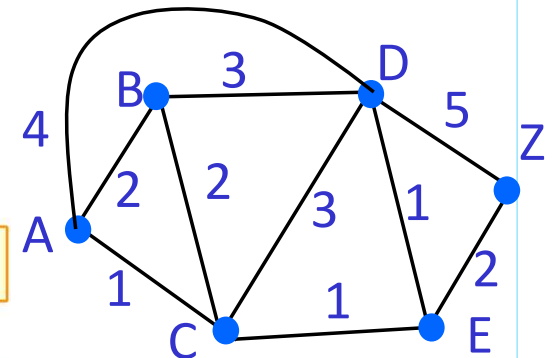
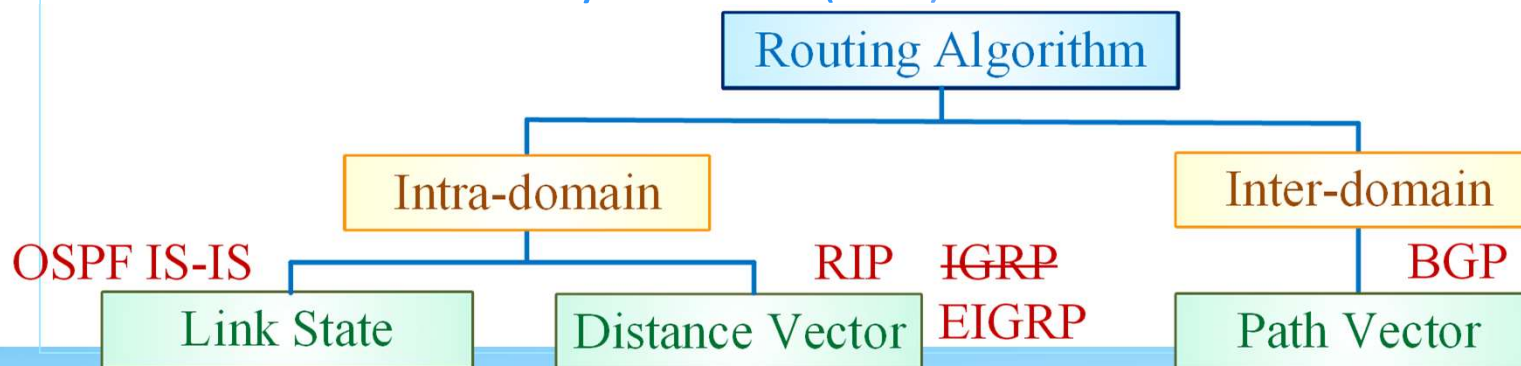




# Inter- and Intra-Domain Routing

- Internet is divided into **Autonomous Systems (AS)**.
- **Autonomous System (AS):**  
a group of networks and routers under the authority of a single administration.
- **Two Types of Routing Algorithms**
  - **Intra-domain (AS) Routing:** Routing inside an AS
    - Interior Gateway Protocol (IGP)
  - **Inter-domain (AS) Routing:** Routing between ASs
    - Exterior Gateway Protocol (EGP)

- OSPF: Open Shortest Path First
- IS-IS: Intermediate system to intermediate system
- RIP: Route Information Protocol
- IGRP: Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (Cisco)
- EIGRP: Enhanced IGRP (Cisco)
- BGP: Border Gateway Protocol





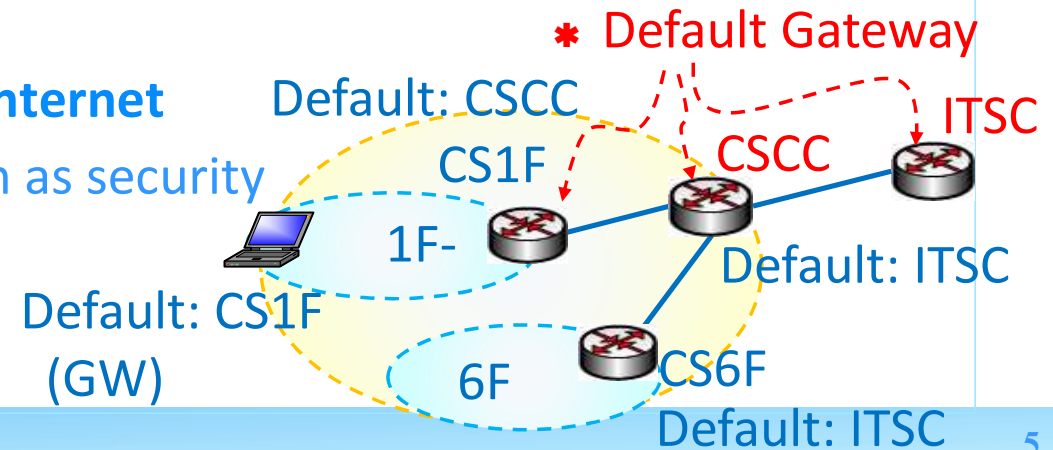
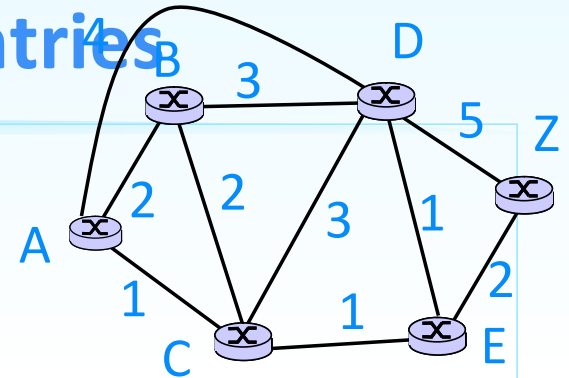
# Techniques for Routing Table Entries

- Every host or router has **Routing Tables (RTs)**
- Techniques that make the size of RT **manageable**,
  - 1) **Next-hop Routing**:  
RT entry holds only **Address of Next Hop**,  
– instead of **complete route**
  - 2) **Network-Specific Routing**:  
RT entry holds **Destination Network Address**, instead of **Destination Host Address**  
– Holds Destination NW ID (or **Prefix**,) Instead of Host ID
  - 3) **Default Routing**:  
One RT entry (**Default Route**) for **Rest of Internet**
- Techniques that handles **other issues** such as security
- 4) **Host-Specific Routing**:  
RT entry holds Destination Host address

E.g., Packet: A-to-Z

Node A:  $C \rightarrow Z$ , Node C:  $E \rightarrow Z$ , Node E:  $E \rightarrow Z$

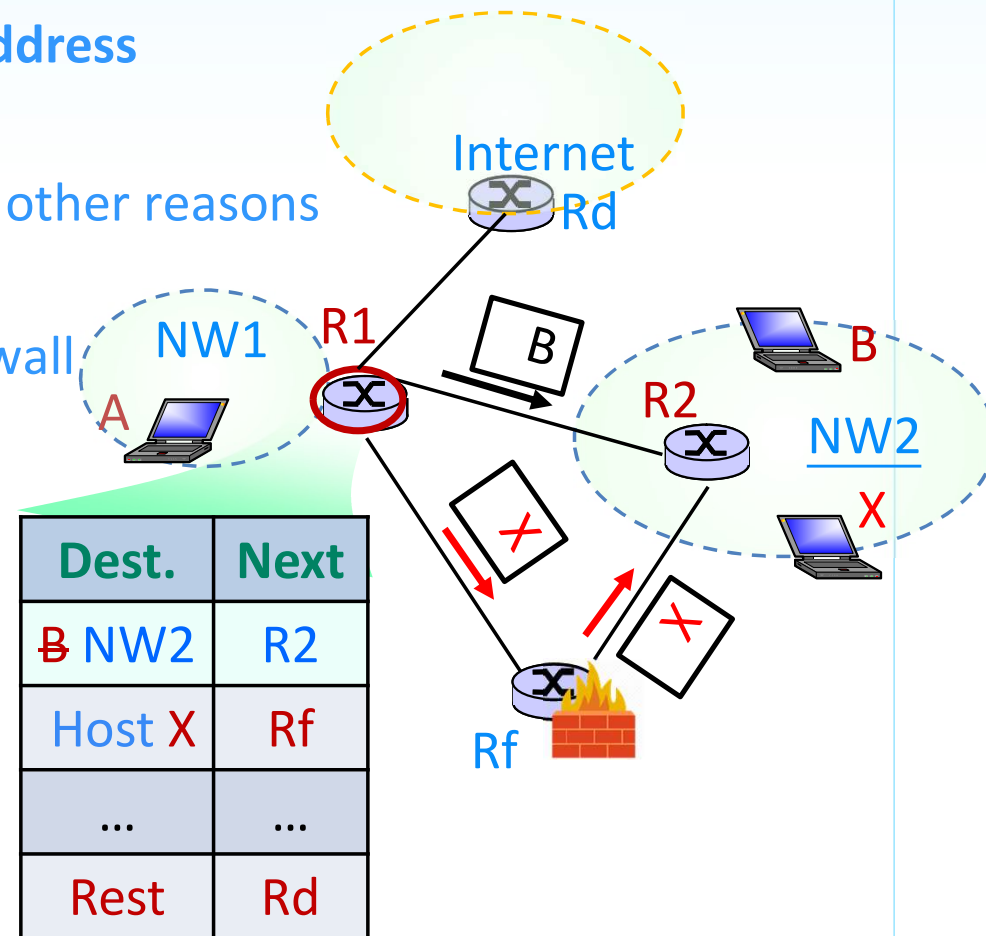
Node A:  $A \rightarrow C \rightarrow E \rightarrow Z$ , Node C:  $C \rightarrow E \rightarrow Z$





# More Specific Routing

- **Host-Specific Routing:**  
Routing Table entry holds **Destination Host Address**
- **Sacrifice efficiency** for other advantages
- e.g., **More control** over routing for security or other reasons
  - Packets destined for B, normal
  - Packets destined for X must go thru the firewall
- An extreme case of the **more specific route**





# Why Longest Prefix Matching – Route Aggregation

- Hierarchical Addressing allows efficient advertisement of routing information:

- Route Aggregation

- E.g., Given a network of 140.113.24.0/24
  - We can divide it into four subnets of /26
  - But router CS advises 140.113.24.0/24, instead

- Auto Summarization

Lab 0

140.113.24.00 000000 → 140.113.24.0/26

Lab 1

140.113.24.01 000000 → 140.113.24.64/26

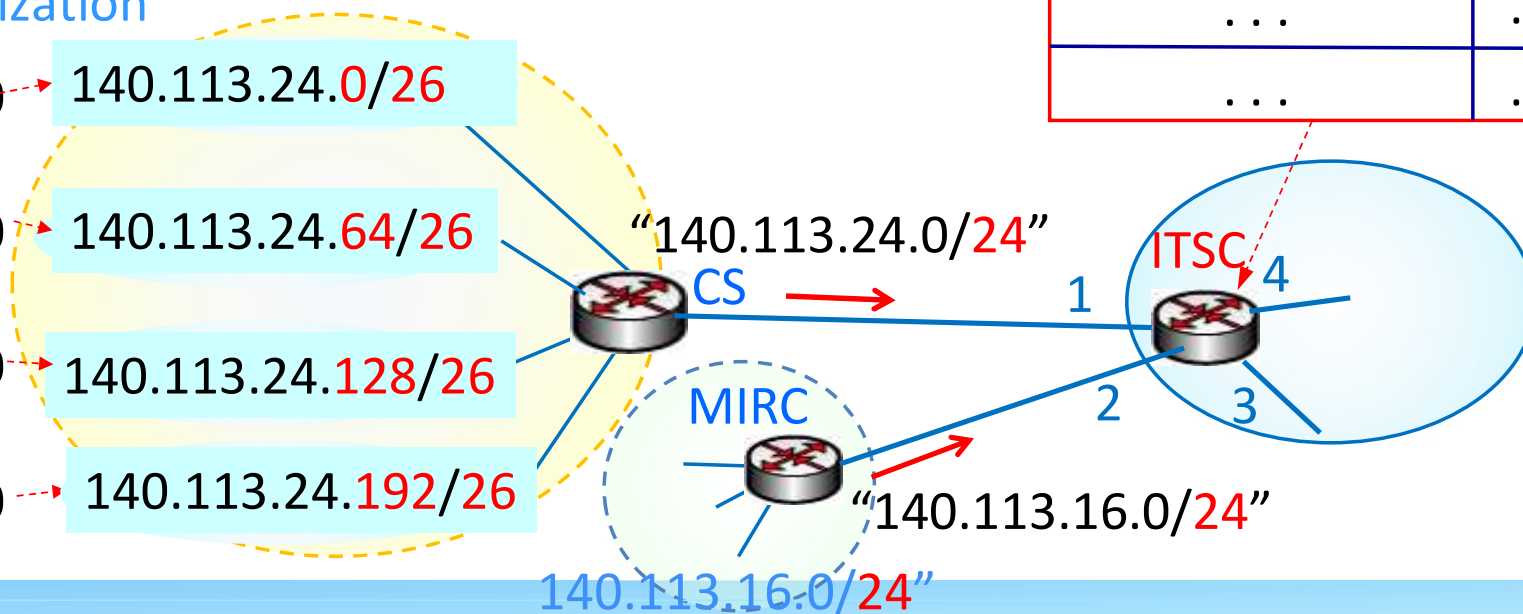
Lab 2

140.113.24.10 000000 → 140.113.24.128/26

Lab 3

140.113.24.11 000000 → 140.113.24.192/26

Prefix	IF
140.113.24.0/24	1
140.113.16.0/24	2
...	...
...	...



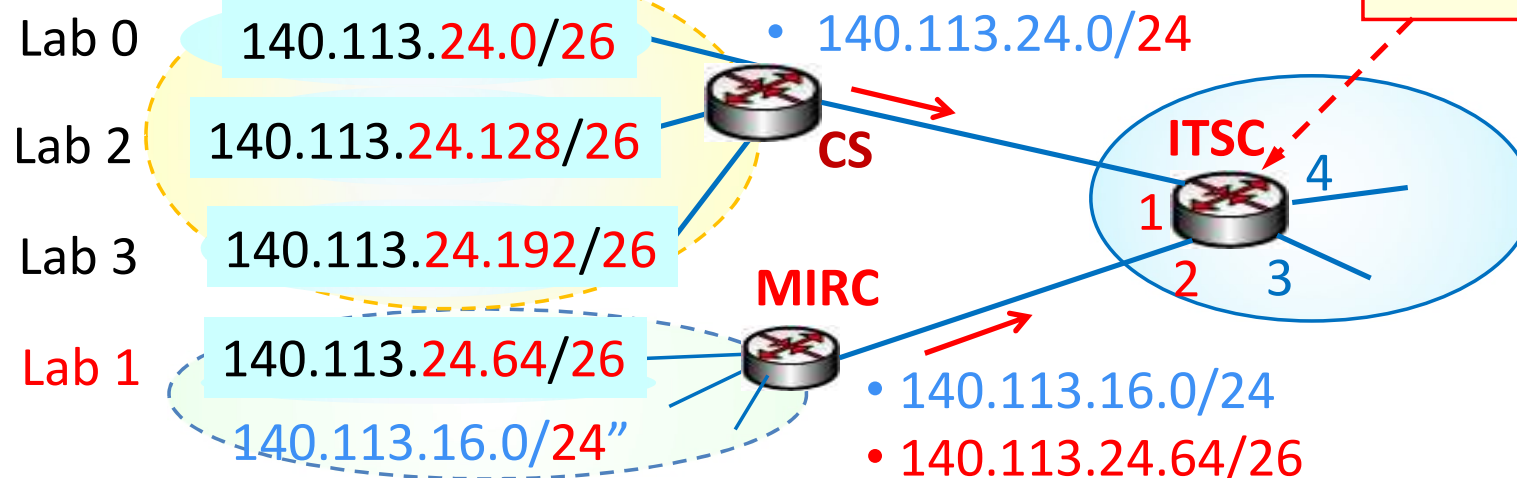


# Route Aggregation and Longest Prefix Matching

- ★ Ex., Lab 1 moves to MIRC, but retains original addresses
  - MIRC advises **more specific route** to 140.113.24.64/26
  - ITSC RT entries: 140.113.24.0/24, 140.113.24.64/26
- Longest Prefix Matching: 140.113.24.100 matches both
  - ITSC forwards packet to MIRC (via interface 2)

ITSC RT Entries

Prefix	IF
140.113.24.64/26	2
140.113.24.0/24	1
140.113.16.0/24	2
...	...



✓ Another example of Longest Prefix Matching: Host-specific route

Back





# Link State Algorithm

- Tell **everyone** what you know about **your neighbors**
  - Advertise  
“The state of the links from yourself to all neighbors”

## ■ Two Phases

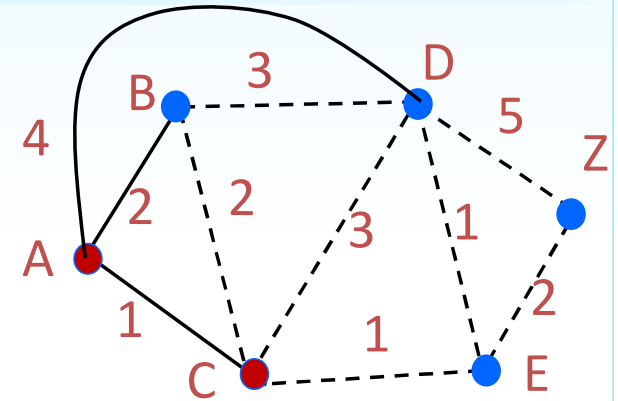
### 1. Link State Broadcasting

- Each node transmits **link-state packets (LSPs)** on all links
- A neighboring router floods (forwards out all links except the incoming one)

➤ **All nodes** know **network topology** and **link costs**

### 2. Path Calculation: Based on Dijkstra's algorithm

- Each node computes the **least cost paths** from **itself** (“source”) to **all other nodes**
- Construct the routing table with the **least cost paths**





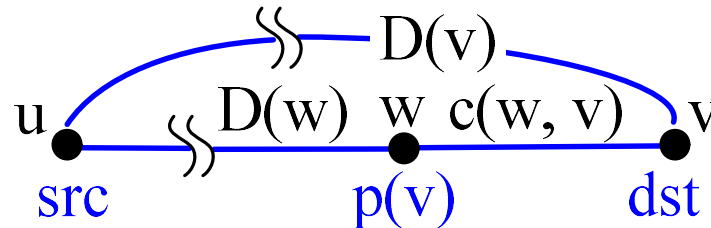
# Link State Dijkstra's algorithm

- Dijkstra's algorithm for Best path calculation (to every other node)

1. Pick unprocessed node **w** with smallest weight,
2. Mark **w** as processed and

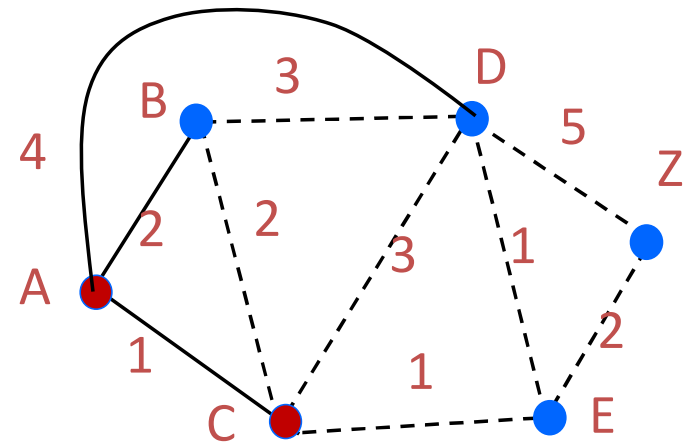
Update cost of all unprocessed node **v** that adjacent to **w**

$$D(v) = \min(D(v), D(w) + c(w, v))$$



$p(v)$ : precedence of **v**  
**w** is  $p(v)$

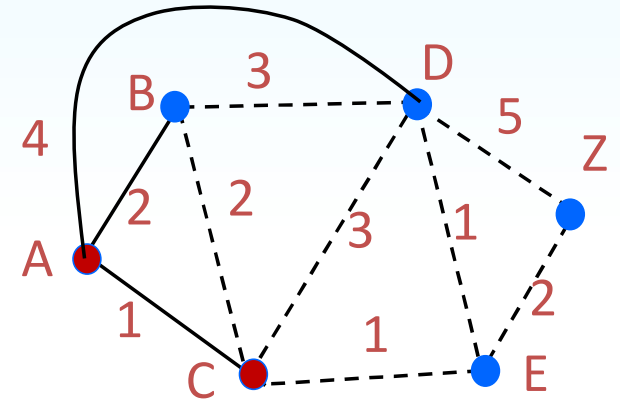
3. Repeat step 1 until done





# Distance Vector Algorithm

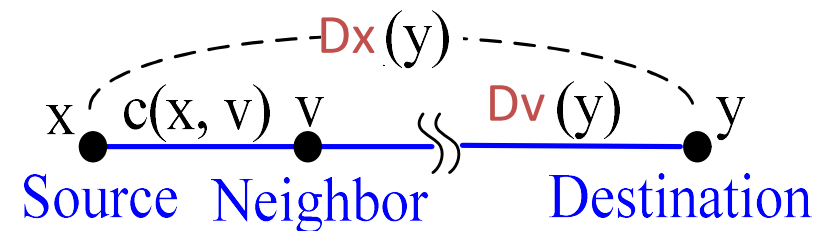
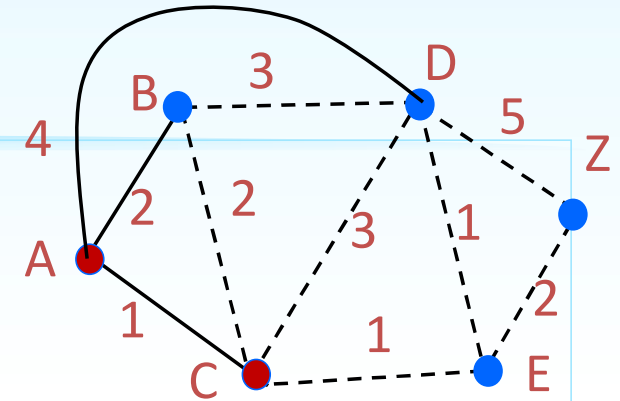
- Tell **your neighbors** what you know about **everyone**
  - Advertise  
“The shortest distance to everyone”
- Iterative, Asynchronous and Distributed:
  - Each local iteration caused by
    - Local link cost change
    - Distance Vector (DV) update-messages from neighbors
  - Algorithm: Each node
    1. Wait for local link cost change or update messages from neighbors
    2. Estimates its own DV, based on the **Bellman-Ford Algorithm**
    3. Notifies neighbors *only* when its DV changes,
      - Neighbors then notify their neighbors if necessary
    4. Repeat step 1





# Bellman-Ford Algorithm

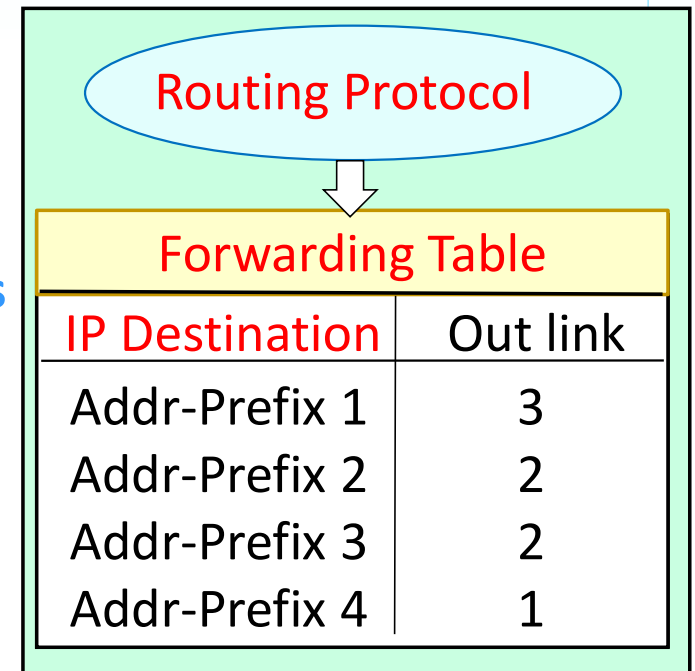
- $c(x, v)$ : cost for direct link from  $x$  to  $v$
- $Dx(y)$ : estimate of least cost from  $x$  to  $y$
- Node  $x$  maintains
  - Costs of direct links  $c(x, v)$
  - Distance vector: from  $x$  to every node  $y$   
 $Dx = [Dx(y): y \in N]$
  - Distance vectors of  $x$ 's neighbors  
 $Dv = [Dv(y): y \in N]$  for each neighbor  $v$
- When **node  $x$**  receives a new update message from a **neighbor  $v$** ,
  - Update its own distance vectors using **Bellman–Ford Equation**  
 $Dx(y) \leftarrow \min_v \{c(x, v) + Dv(y)\}$  for each node  $y \in N$





# Best Path

- **Metric (度量):**  
Quantitative value routing protocols use to measure the **distance to** a given network
- Best path: selected by a routing protocol
  - The path with the **lowest metric**
- **Dynamic routing protocols**  
Use **rules** and **metrics** to **build** and **update routing tables**
  - **Routing Table** (Routing Information Base)
    - Data structure used by Routing Protocols
  - Forwarding Table (Forwarding Information Base)
- **Routing algorithm**  
generates a metric for each path through the network,
  - Based on path **characteristic**





## Example Metrics

- Some dynamic protocols and metrics in use:

- Routing Information Protocol (RIP):**

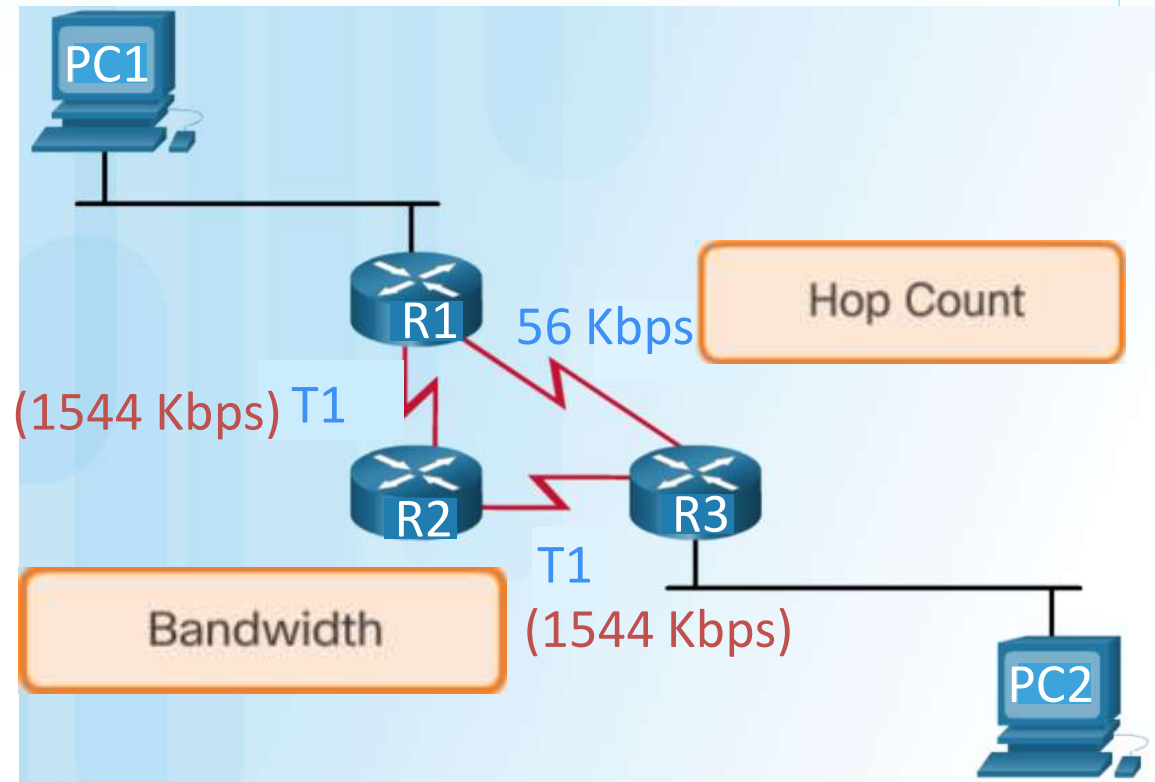
- Hop count

- Open Shortest Path First (OSPF):**

- Cisco's cost based on **cumulative bandwidth** from source to destination

- Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP):**

- Bandwidth,
  - delay,
  - load,
  - reliability





# Administrative Distance

- A router may have **more than one route source** for the same destination network
  - Due to
    - **Multiple routing protocols** (OSPF, RIP, or ...) and
    - **Static routes**
- Different routing protocols may decide **different paths** to reach a destination network
  - Due to different metrics in use.
- How does the **router** determine **which route to use**?
- Cisco IOS uses **Administrative Distance (AD)** to determine the route
  - AD represents the "**trustworthiness**" of the **route**;
    - The **first criterion** routers use to determine which route source to use
    - The **lower** the AD, the **more trustworthy** the **route source**
  - Given **two different routes to the same destination**, a router chooses the route with the **lowest AD**,



## Administrative Distances (Ads) of Route Sources

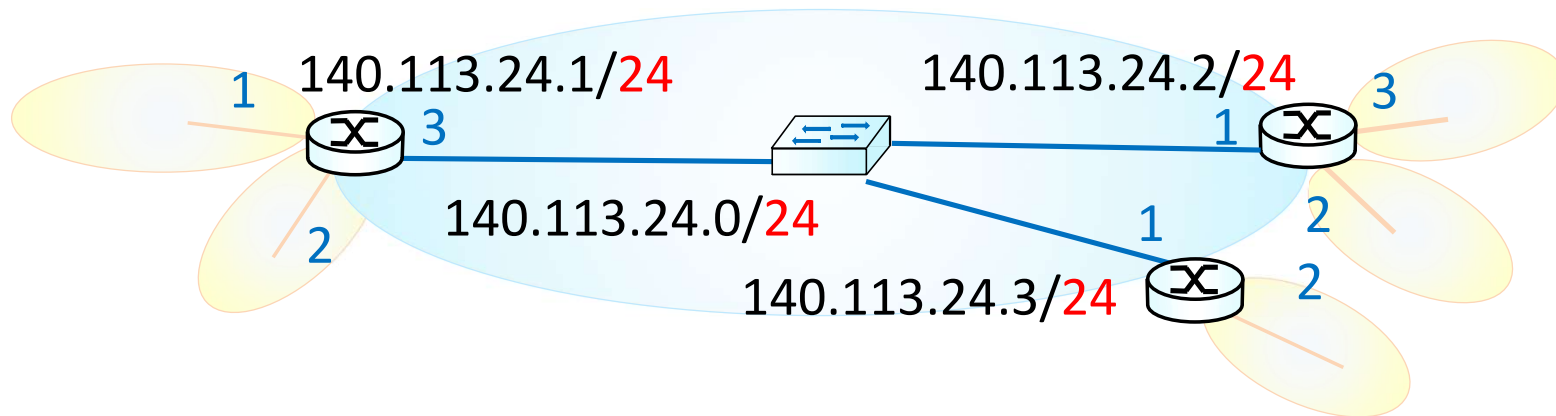
Route Source	Administrative Distance
Connected	0
Static	1
EIGRP summary route	5
External BGP	20
Internal EIGRP	90
IGRP	100
OSPF	110
RIP	120
External EIGRP	170
Internal BGP	200





# Local Route and Directly Connected Route

- When we configure an IP address on a router's interface, the router will automatically add **two routes** from this IP configuration.
  - Local Route:  
route to the interface that belongs to the router itself.
  - Directly Connected Route:  
route to the network directly attached to the interface
    - We use the router's interface as the default gateway to the network connected to the interface





# Routing Table Sources

- Entries in the routing table can be added as:
  - **Local Route** Interfaces - Added when an interface is configured and active,
    - L: Identifies a router's interface
    - Displayed in IOS 15 or newer for IPv4 routes and all IOS releases for IPv6 routes
  - **Directly Connected** Interfaces - Added when an interface is configured and active
    - C: Identifies a directly connected network.
  - **Static Routes** - Added when manually configured and the exit interface is active
  - **Dynamic Routing Protocol** - Dynamically learned by a routing protocol
    - EIGRP, OSPF, RIP, ...
- On a Cisco router, **show ip route** command displays IPv4 routing table
  - Additional route information, including
    - How the route was learned,
    - How long the route has been in the table, and
    - Which specific interface to use to reach the destination



## Directly Connected Routing Table Entries

- Contains the following information:
  - A. Route Source:** How the route was learned.
    - Two codes for Directed Connected Routing Table entries.
      - 'L': IPv4 address assigned to **router's interface**
      - 'C': a **directly connected network**
  - B. Destination Network** - Address of the remote network
  - C. Outgoing Interface** - Exit interface to use when forwarding packets to the destination network

A	B	C
C	192.168.10.0/24 is directly connected,	GigabitEthernet0/0
L	192.168.10.1/32 is directly connected,	GigabitEthernet0/0

- Note:** Local route (L) entry:
  - was not displayed prior to IOS 15 in IPv4 routing table.



# Remote Network Routing Table Entries

Manually configured or learned from Routing Protocols

- Contains the following information:

- A. Route source** - how the route was learned. (*C – connected, S – static, R – RIP, ...*)
- B. Destination Network** - address of the remote network.
- C. Administrative Distance** - trustworthiness of the route source.
  - Lower values indicate the preferred route sources.
- D. Metric** - value (cost) assigned to reach the remote network.
  - Lower values indicate the preferred routes.
- E. Next-hop** - IPv4 address of the next router to forward the packet to a network.
- F. Route Timestamp** - how much time has passed since the route was learned.
- G. Outgoing Interface** - exit interface to use when forwarding a packet toward the destination network

A

B

C

D

E

F

G

D

10.1.1.0/24

[ 90/2170112]

via

209.165.200.226,

00:00:05,

Serial0/0/0

(EIGRP)