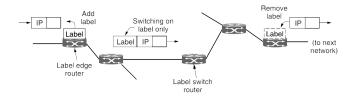
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Label Switching and MPLS

- Till now, we have focused exclusively on packets as datagrams that are forwarded by IP routers.
- MPLS (MultiProtocol Label Switching) allows for quick forwarding, but is perilously close to circuit switching in a way that is full of danger or re
- MPLS adds a label in front of each packet, and forwarding is based on the label rather than on the destination address.
- Making the label an index into an internal table makes finding the correct output line just a matter of table lookup.



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OSPF — An Interior Gateway Protocol

• Read Section 5.6.6 of Tanenbaum.

BGP — An Exterior Gateway Routing Protocol

• Read Section 5.6.7 of Tanenbaum.