

# OSPF ROUTE INJECTION

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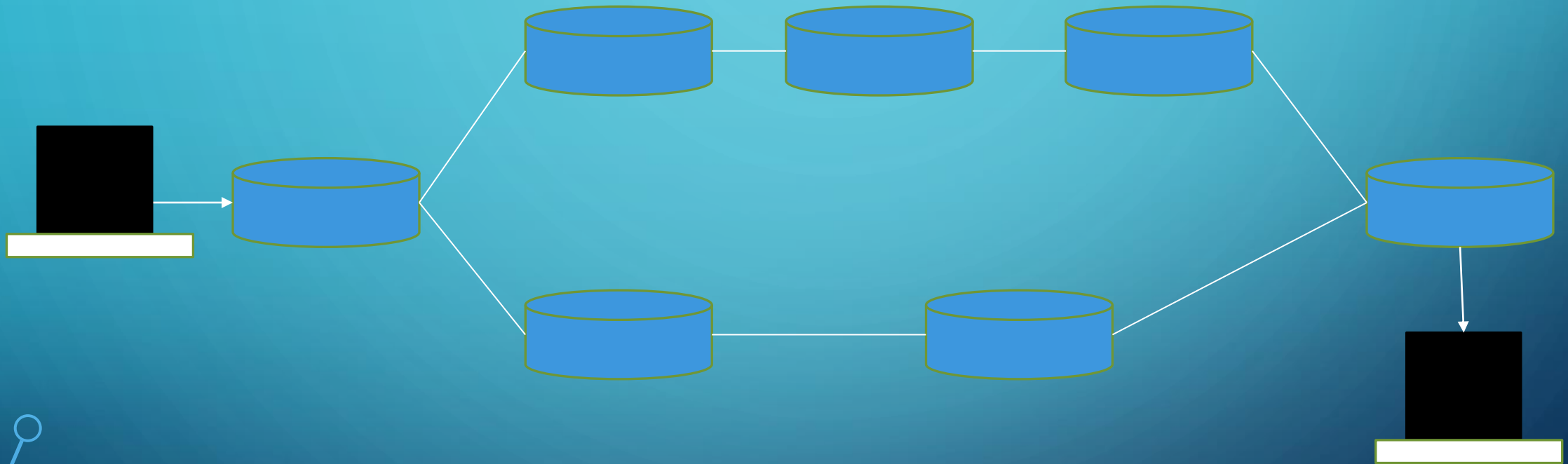
# MAIN IDEAS

- Routers are used to move network packets across the network to their intended recipient. To ensure packets are routed through the most efficient path possible, protocols such as OSPF are used within large organizations. OSPF also enables networks to "self-heal" in the event that one of the routers goes down.
- In many cases, OSPF is misconfigured and traffic that should only be sent and received by other routers within the OSPF topology can be sent and received by other network segments. These segments may include segments used for end-user computing or segments used by the organization's servers.
- Even when the servers used within the OSPF topology use authentication, it may be possible for an attacker to insert malicious routes within the network topology that can result in a DoS condition, enable an attacker to view sensitive information, or impersonate a different system.

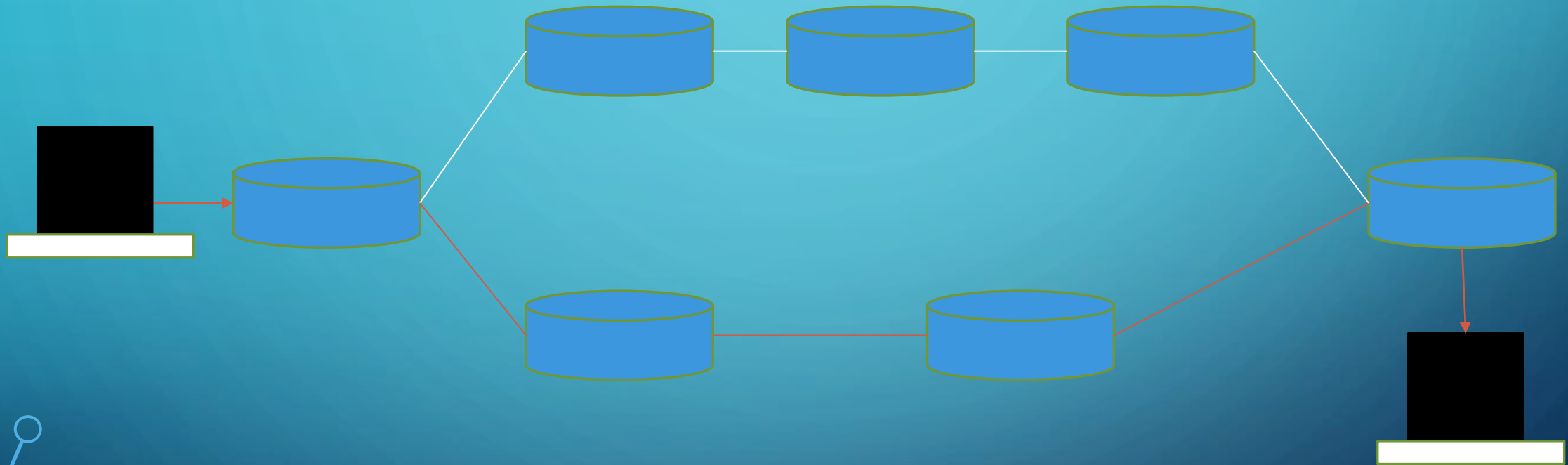
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# OSPF INTRODUCTION (MAIN IDEAS 1)

# THE PROBLEM



# THE SOLUTION (OPEN SHORTEST PATH FIRST)



# LINK STATE ADVERTISEMENTS (LSA) & HELLO PACKETS

- LSA
  - Sent between routers to share information
  - 8 Different LSA Types (Router, Network, etc.)
  - Type 1 (Router LSA)
    - Connected routers
    - Connected Networks
    - Etc.
- Hello Packets
  - Discover and Maintain Neighbor Relationships

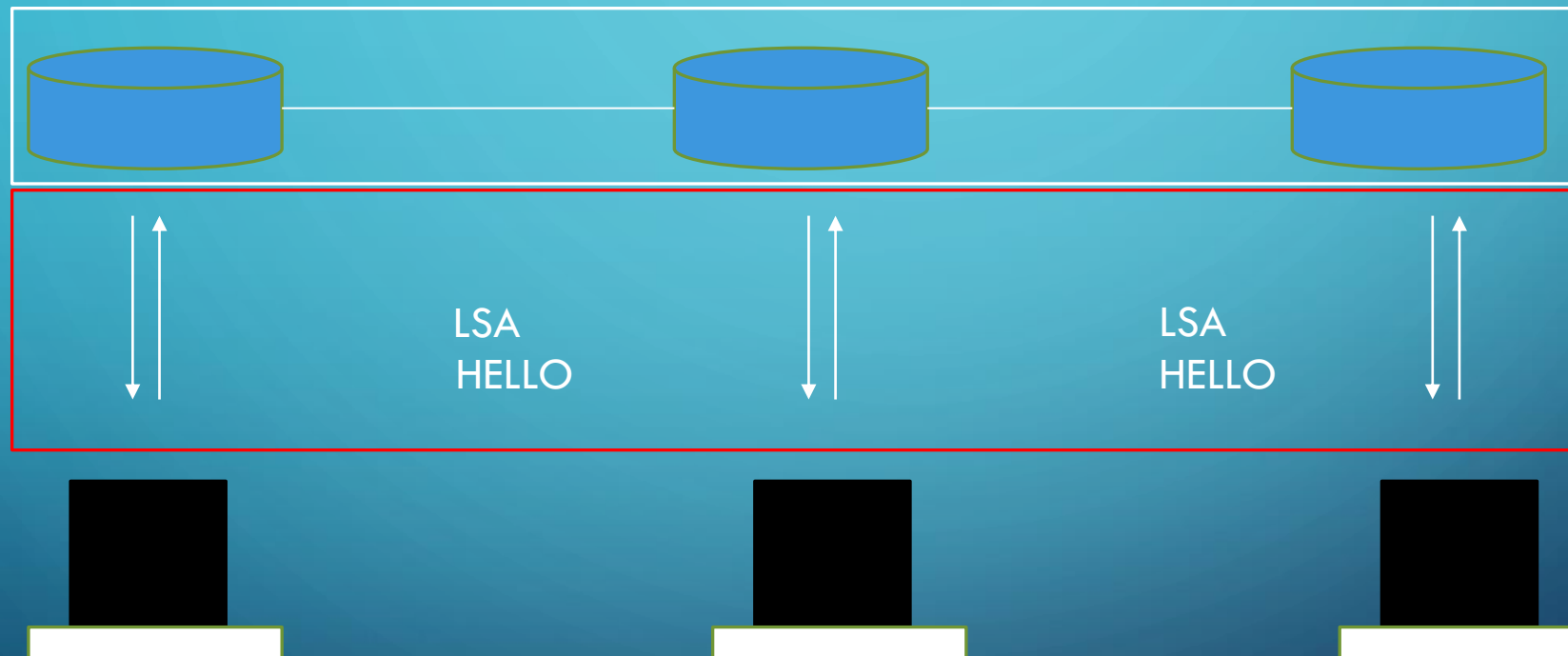




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# MISCONFIGURATIONS (MAIN IDEA 2)

# THE SOLUTION (OPEN SHORTEST PATH FIRST)

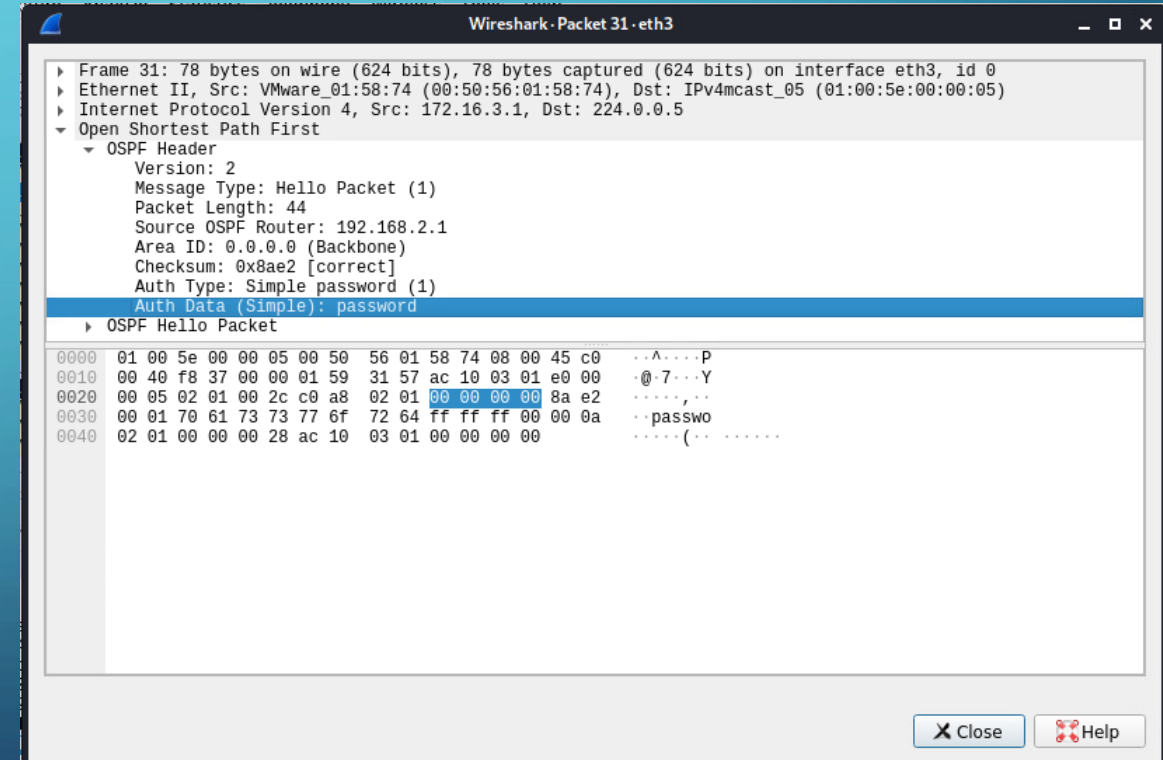
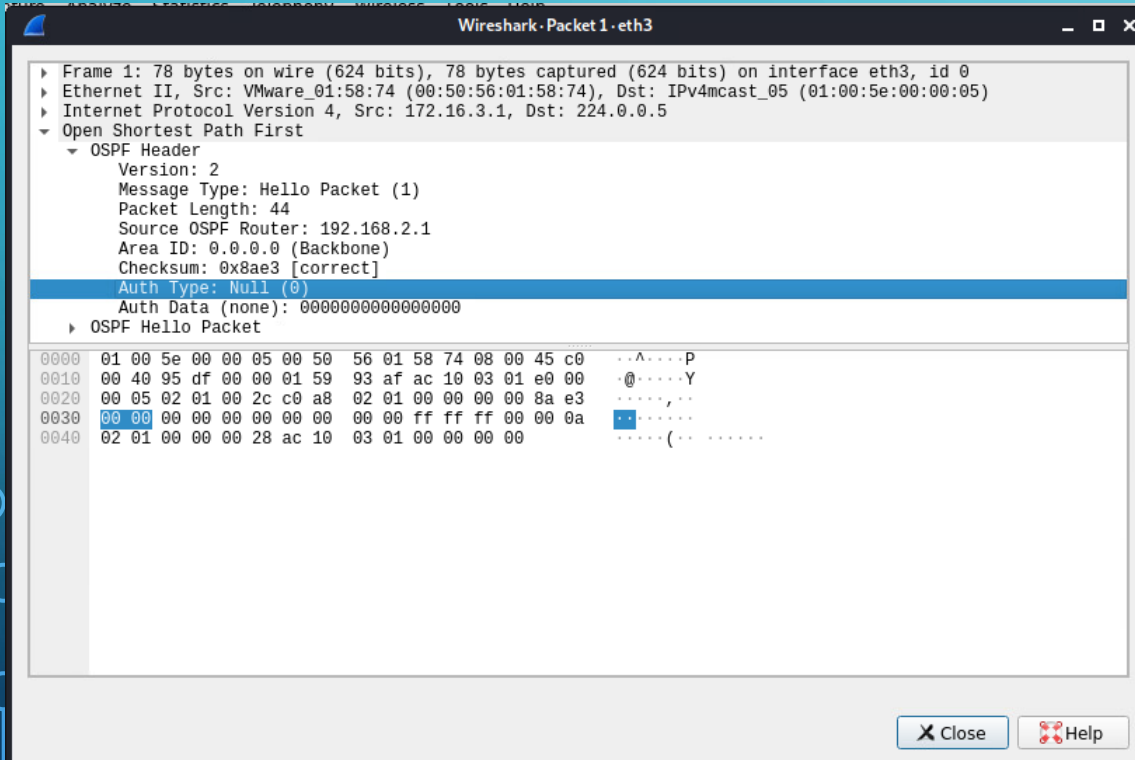




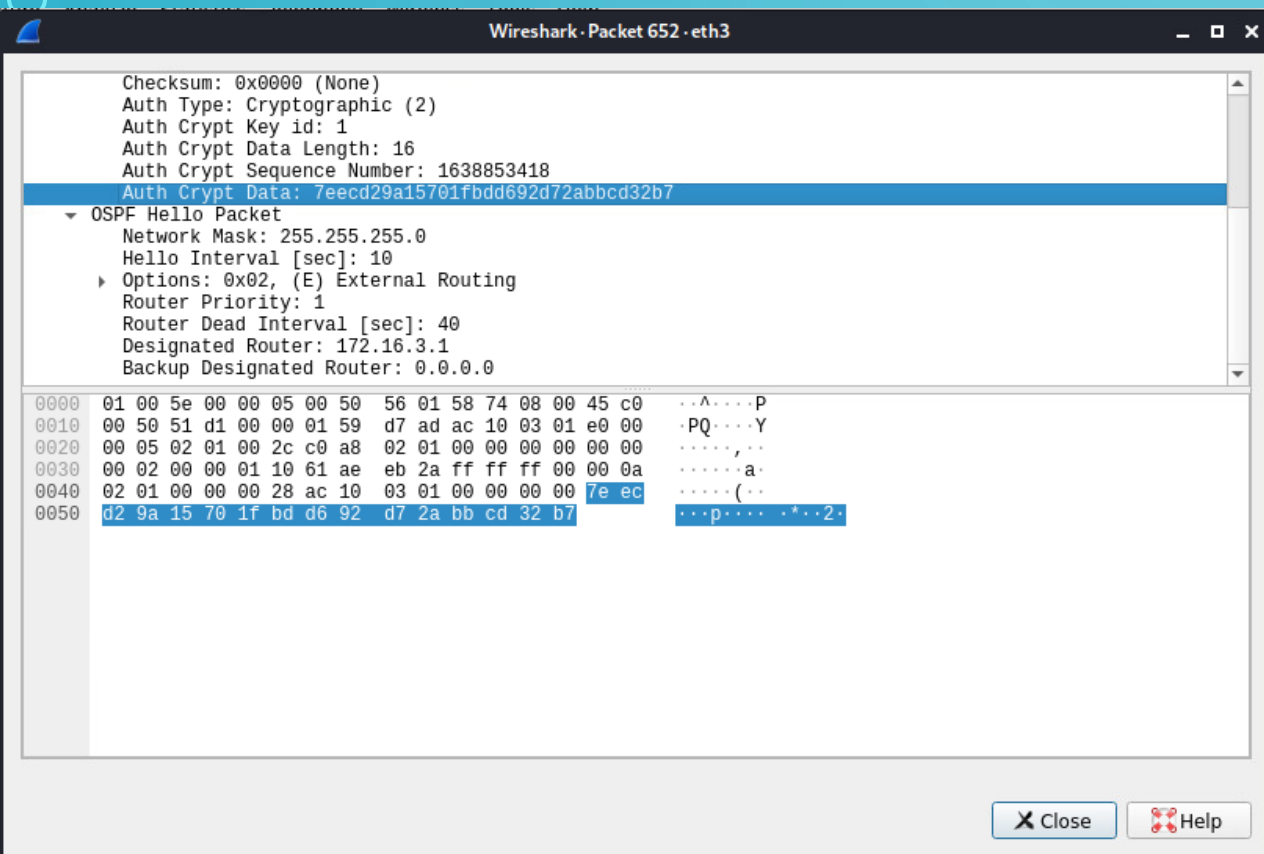
# AUTHENTICATION ISSUES (MAIN IDEA 3)

# SECURITY

- Type 1: No Authentication
- Type 2: Clear Text
- Type 3: Cryptographic (MD5)



# SECURITY (TYPE 3)



- (6) The message digest is then calculated and appended to the OSPF packet. The **authentication** algorithm to be used in calculating the digest is indicated by the key itself. Input to the **authentication** algorithm consists of the OSPF packet and the secret key. When using MD5 as the **authentication** algorithm, the message digest calculation proceeds as follows:
- (a) The 16 byte MD5 key is appended to the OSPF packet.
  - (b) Trailing pad and length fields are added, as specified in [\[Ref17\]](#).
  - (c) The MD5 **authentication** algorithm is run over the concatenation of the OSPF packet, secret key, pad and length fields, producing a 16 byte message digest (see [\[Ref17\]](#)).
  - (d) The MD5 digest is written over the OSPF key (i.e., appended to the original OSPF packet). The digest is not counted in the OSPF packet's length field, but

is included in the packet's IP length field. Any trailing pad or length fields beyond the digest are not counted or transmitted.

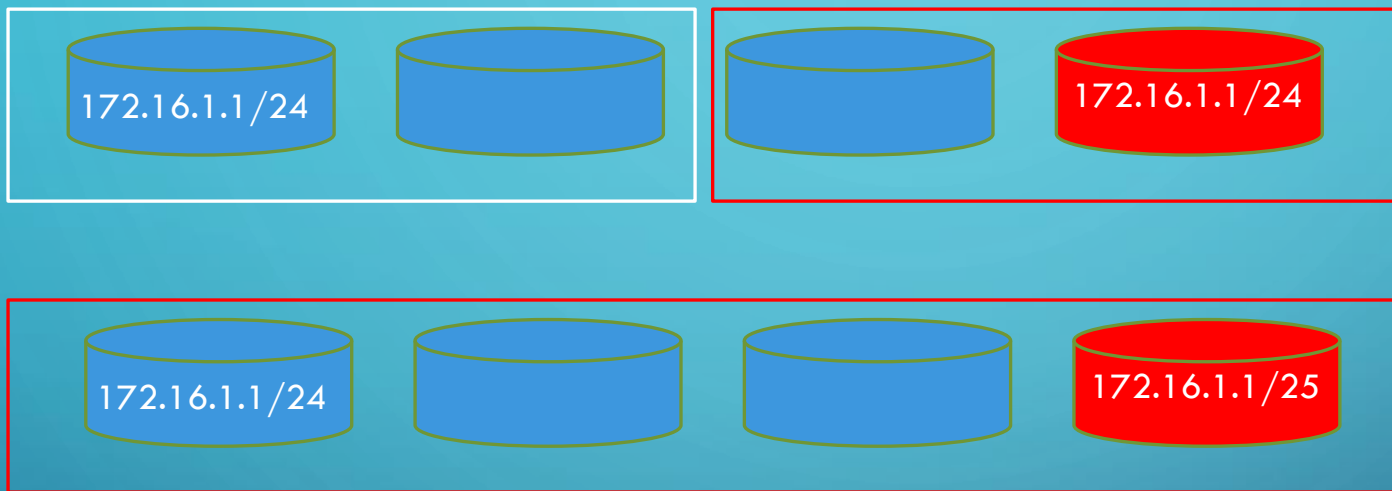
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# OSPF ROUTE HIJACK WITH PFSENSE AND CAIN AND ABEL (DEMO)

## WHY EXPLOIT WITH PFSENSE?

- Most Write-Ups use Loki
- Loki uses many deprecated packages
- OSPF traffic originating from PFSense may be considered less suspicious
- PFSense is used by many organizations and is actively maintained

# DEMO LESSONS LEARNED



# FUTURE DIRECTION

- New Tools Needed for OSPF Route Injection
- New Tools Needed for OSPF MD5 Cracking
- Can an “attack” plugin be created for pfSense?
- Create playbooks for bring your own infrastructure
- Router Priority Testing