

Network Layer: IPv4 Functions

Lecture 8 | CSE421 – Computer Networks

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Objectives

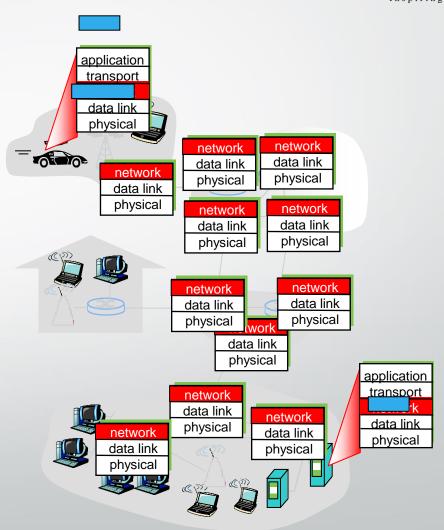


- Short overview of the Network Layer
- Virtual Circuits & Datagram Networks
- IP Fragmentation & Reassembly
- ICMP
 - Ping
 - Traceroute

The Network Layer

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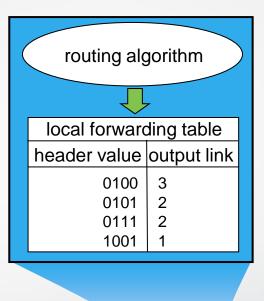
- Transport segment from sending to receiving host
- On sending side encapsulates segments into packets
- Network layer protocols in every host, router
- Router examines header fields in all IP packets passing through it
- On receiving side, delivers segments to transport layer

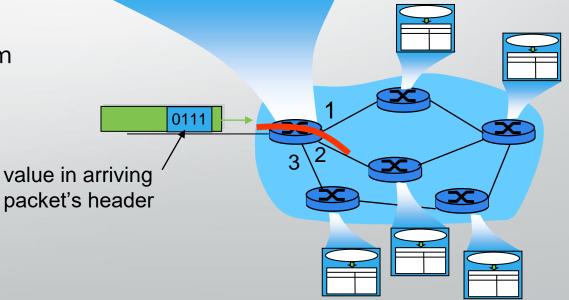




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- Forwarding: move packets from router's input to appropriate router output
 - Analogy: process of getting through a single interchange
- Routing: determine route taken by packets from source to destination
 - Analogy: process of planning trip from source to dest
 - Has various routing algorithms







Virtual Circuits Datagram Network

Connection and connection-less service

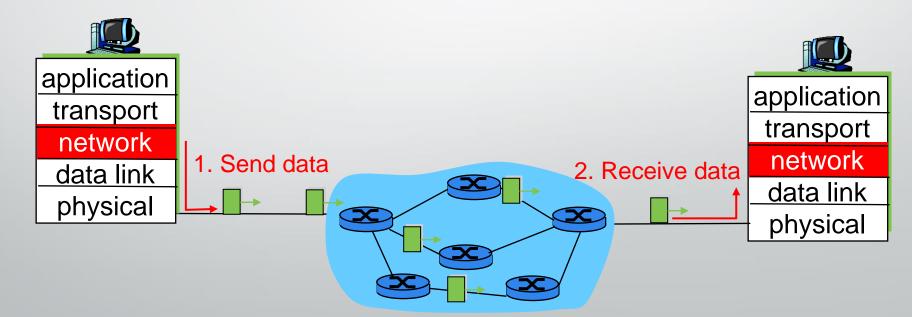


- Datagram network => network-layer connectionless service
- VC network => network-layer connection service
 - analogous to the transport-layer services, but:
 - **service:** host-to-host
 - **no choice:** network provides one or the other
 - implementation: in network core

Datagram networks

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- 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
 - packets between same source-dest pair may take different paths

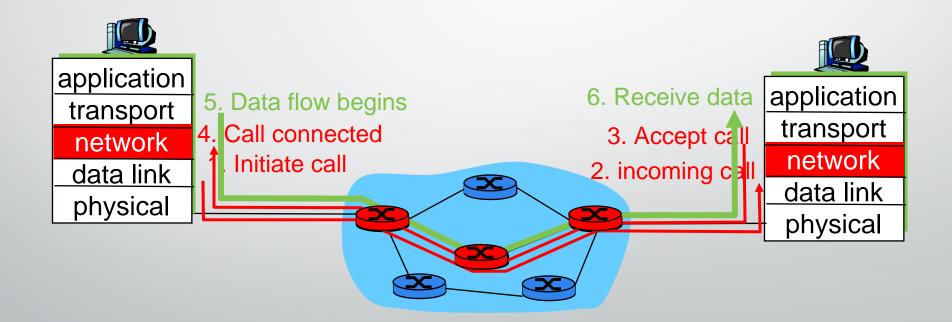


Virtual circuits: signaling protocols

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



Functions of Router

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output port

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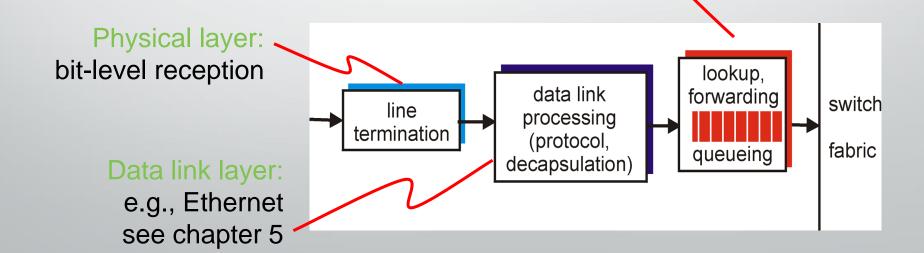
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fabric

processor

input port

- Run routing algorithms/protocol (RIP, OSPF, BGP)
- Forwarding datagrams from incoming to outgoing link
- Decentralized switching:
 - Given datagram dest., lookup output port using forwarding tab
 - Goal: complete input port processing at 'line speed'
 - Queuing: if datagrams arrive faster than forwarding rate into switch fabric





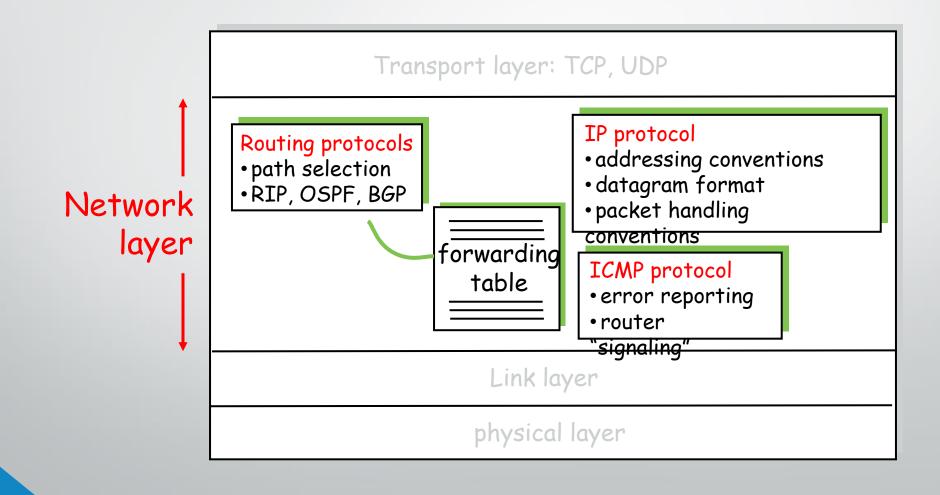
Internet Protocol

Internet Network Layer

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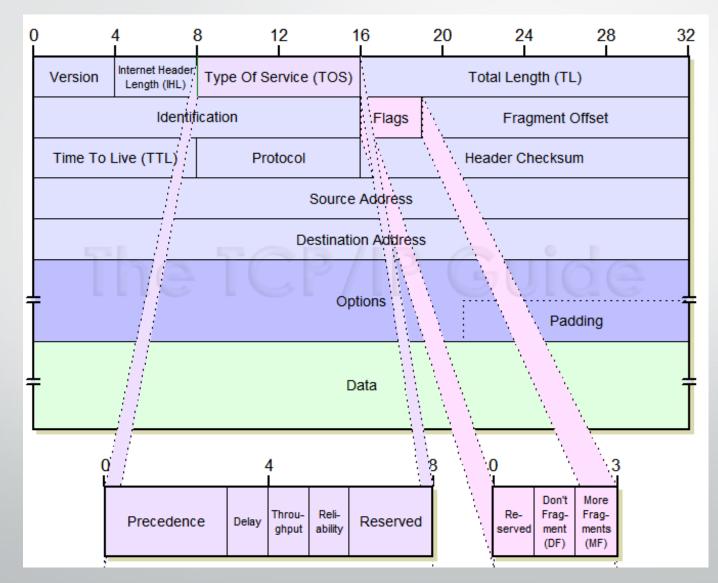
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Host, router network layer functions:



IPv4 Datagram Format

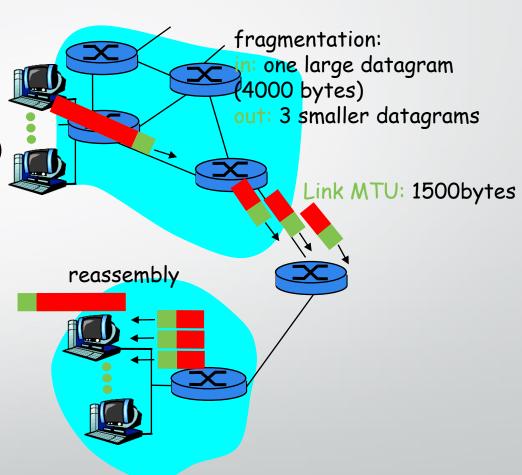




IP Fragmentation & Reassembly



- 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



IP Fragmentation & Reassembly

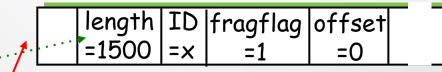


- Example:
 - 4000 Bytes of datagram
 - MTU = 1500 Bytes
 - Header + Data
 - Header size is usually 20 bytes
 - It can differ

1480 bytes in data field

length	ID	fragflag	offset	
=4000	=x	=0	=0	

One large datagram becomes several smaller datagrams



length	ID	fragflag	offset	
=1500	.=x.	=1	*=185	

length	ID	fragflag	offset	
=1040			=370	

IP Fragmentation & Reassembly



Original IP Datagram

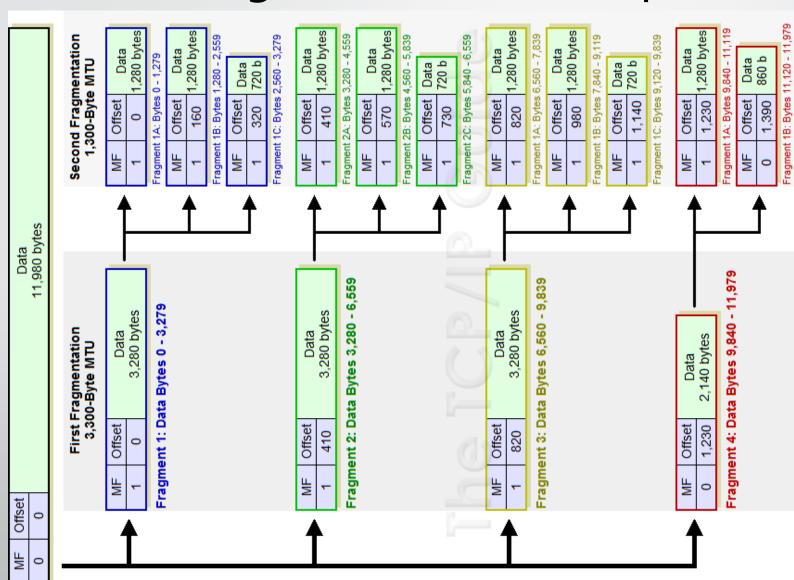
Sequence	Identifier	Total Length	DF May / Don't	MF Last / More	Fragment Offset
0	345	5140	0	0	0

IP Fragments (Ethernet)

Sequence	Identifier	Total Length	DF May / Don't	MF Last / More	Fragment Offset	Data Bytes	Fragment Offset
0-0	345	1500	0	1	0	0 -1479	0/8=0
0-1	345	1500	0	1	185	1480-2959	1480/8=185
0-2	345	1500	0	1	370	2960-4439	2960/8=370
0-3	345	700	0	0	555	4440-5119	4440/8=555

IP Fragmentation Example







ICMP

ICMP

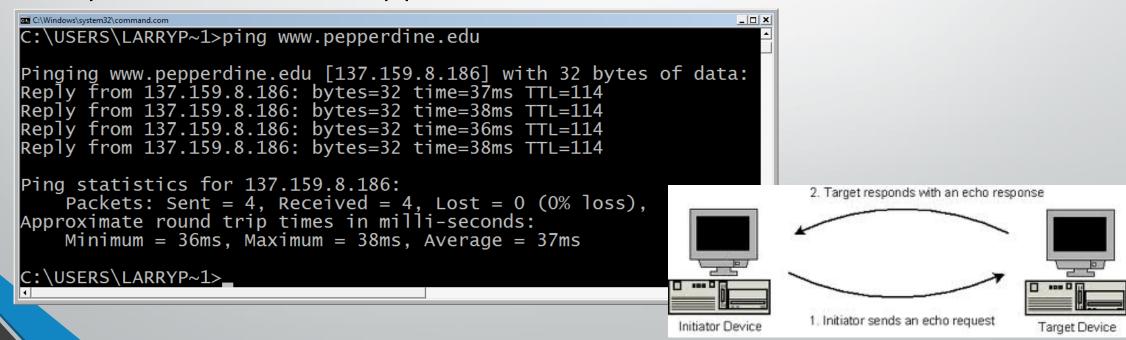


- Also known as Internet Control Message Protocol
- It is chiefly used by the operating systems in IP network management and administration.
- Used for
 - errors in the underlying communications of network applications
 - availability of remote hosts
 - network congestion
- It does not carry application data, but rather information about the status of the network itself.
- Example of ICMP in practice
 - PING
 - TRACEROUTE

Ping



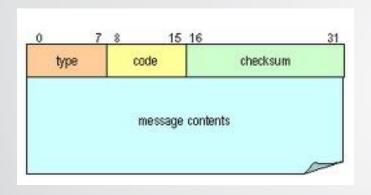
- Utility used to test the reachability of a host.
- Sends Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) echo request packets to the target host and waiting for an ICMP response.
- In the process it measures the time from transmission to reception (round-trip time) and records any packet loss.

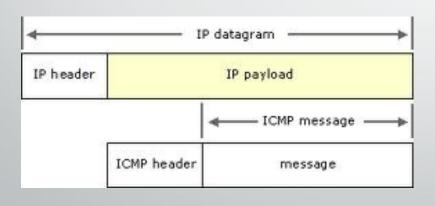


ICMP Message



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 unreachable
3	1	dest host unreachable
3	2	dest protocol unreachable
3	3	dest port unreachable
3	6	dest network unknown
3	7	dest host unknown
4	0	source quench (congestion
		control - not used)
8	0	echo request (ping)
9	0	route advertisement
10	0	router discovery
11	0	TTL expired
12	0	bad IP header

Ping Attacks



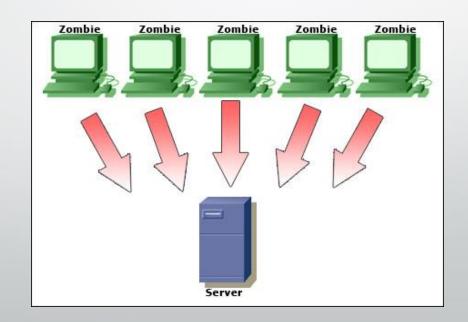
- ICMP PING flood attack /DOS Attack :
 - It uses the ICMP echo command to flood large amounts of data packets to the victim's computer in an attempt to overload it.
 - Another type of DOS Attack : Deny to give service by replying with false message.



Ping Attacks



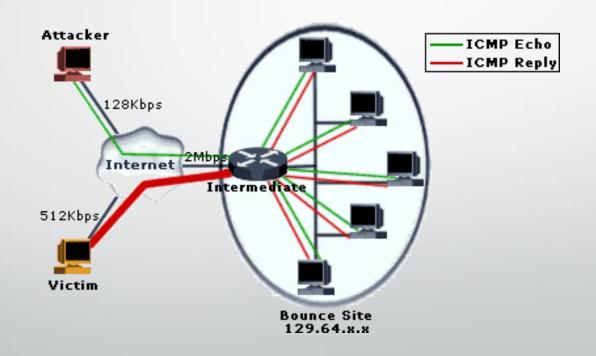
- ICMP DDOS attack Zombie Attack:
 - Much like the ping flood method, only multiple computers are being used. In this
 instance, the computers that are being used may or may not be aware of the fact that
 they are attacking a website or network. Trojans and viruses commonly give the hacker
 control of a computer, and thus, the ability to use them for attack. In this case the
 victim computers are called zombies.



Ping Attacks



- ICMP DDOS attack Packet magnification (or ICMP Smurf):
 - An attacker sends forged ICMP echo packets to vulnerable networks' broadcast addresses. All the systems on those networks send ICMP echo replies to the victim.





- Tool used to trace path from source to destination host.
- The IP address and domain name (if there is one) of each router is returned to the client.
- Commands:
 - Unix: traceroute
 - Cisco IOS: traceroute (trace)

DOS: tracert

Hop 1: User LAN router

Hops 2-7: Verizon (ISP) network

Hops 8-10: the Yahoo LAN

```
C:\Windows\system32\command.com
C:\USERS\LARRYP~1>tracert www.yahoo.com
Tracing route to www-real.wa1.b.yahoo.com [209.131.36.158]
over a maximum of 30 hops:
                              4 ms 192.168.1.1
                   1 ms
         1 ms
                             39 ms L100.LSANCA-DSL-14.verizon-gni.net [71.105.96.1]
        37 ms
                  36 ms
                             35 ms P15-2.LSANCA-LCR-03.verizon-gni.net [130.81.44.32]
38 ms so-6-1-2-0.LAX01-BB-RTR1.verizon-gni.net [130.81.28.225]
        35 ms
                  35 ms
        39 ms
                  39 ms
                                     so-5-3-0-0.SJC01-BB-RTR1.verizon-qni.net [130.81.19.10]
        47 ms
                  47 ms
        46 ms
                  47 ms
                             46 ms
                                     130.81.17.229
        54 ms
                  47 ms
                             49 ms 130.81.14.90
        48 ms
                             50 ms ae0-p170.msr2.sp1.yahoo.com [216.115.107.81]
                 129 ms
                            112 ms te-8-1.bas-a1.sp1.yahoo.com [209.131.32.17]
49 ms f1.www.vip.sp1.yahoo.com [209.131.36.158]
                  48 ms
        90 ms
        48 ms
                  50 ms
Trace complete.
C:\USERS\LARRYP~1>_
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Traceroute: Another example

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Hop 1: User LAN router

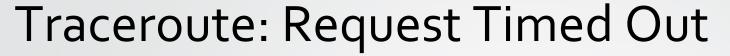
Hops 2-4: Verizon network (a backbone ISP)

Hops 5-6: Alternet (a backbone ISP)

Hops 7-11: Level 3 (a backbone ISP)

Hops 12-14: the Google LAN

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C:\Windows\system32\COMMAND.com
C:\USERS\LARRYP~1>tracert www.google.com
Tracing route to www.l.google.com [74.125.19.147]
over a maximum of 30 hops:
                                L100.LSANCA-DSL-14.verizon-gni.net [71.105.96.1]
                                     .LSANCA-LCR-03.verizon-gni.net [130.81.35.8]
                               ae-1-69.edge1.SanJose1.Level3.net [4.68.18.14]
                                G00GLE-INC.edge1.SanJose1.Level3.net [4.79.43.146]
                               nug04s01-in-f147.1e100.net [74.125.19.147]
Trace complete.
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This message indicates that the router security settings keep it from revealing its identity or the router and connection are slow.

* * Request timed out.



- Source sends series of UDP segments to dest
 - First has TTL =1
 - Second has TTL=2, etc.
 - Unlikely port number
- When nth datagram arrives to nth router:
 - Router discards datagram
 - And sends to source an ICMP message (type 11, code o)
 - Message includes name of router& IP address

- When ICMP message arrives, source calculates RTT
- Traceroute does this 3 times
- Stopping criterion
 - UDP segment eventually arrives at destination host
 - Destination returns ICMP "port unreachable" packet (type 3, code 3)
 - When source gets this ICMP, it stops.





Layer 2	Layer 3	ICMP Message		Layer 4 Header	Layer 2
Header	Header	Echo Request (trace)		(UDP)	Trailer
*All layer 2 info	Src. IP: 10.0.0.1 Dest. IP: 192.168.10.2 TTL = 1	Type: 8 Code: 0	Other fields of ICMP Packet	Dest. Port: 35,000	FCS

• How it works by fooling the routers & host!

- Trace uses ping (echo requests)
- Traceroute sets the TTL (Time to Live) field, in the Layer 3 (IP) header, initially to "1".





Layer 2	Layer 3	ICMP Message		Layer 4 Header	Layer 2
Header	Header	(Time Exceeded)		(UDP)	Trailer
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• RTB - TTL:

- When a router receives an IP Packet, it decrements the TTL by 1.
 - TTL '1' is decremented to 'o'
- If the TTL is o, it will not forward the IP Packet, and send back to the source with an ICMP "time exceeded" message.





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RTA at this point

- The traceroute program of the sending host (RTA) will use the source IP address of this ICMP Time Exceeded packet to display the following at the first hop.
- Output of RTA: 1 10.0.0.2 4 msec 4 msec 4 msec





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Header	Header	Echo Request (trace)		(UDP)	Trailer
*All layer 2 info	Src. IP: 10.0.0.1 Dest. IP: 192.168.10.2 TTL = 2	Type: 8 Code: 0	Other fields of ICMP Packet	Dest. Port: 35,000	FCS

• RTA

• The traceroute program increments the TTL by 1 (now 2) and resends the ICMP Echo Request packet.

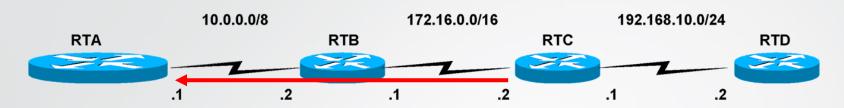




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- This time RTB decrements the TTL by 1 and it is NOT o. (It is 1.)
- So it **looks up the destination IP** address in its routing table and forwards it on to the next router.

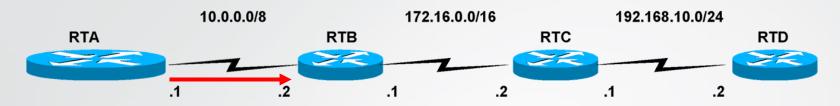




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*All layer 2 info	Src. IP: 172.16.0.2 Dest. IP: 10.0.0.1	Type: 11 Code: 0	Other fields of ICMP Packet	-	FCS

- RTC decrements the TTL by 1 and it is o.
 - RTC notices the TTL is o and sends back the ICMP Time Exceeded message back to the source.
 - RTC's IP header includes its own IP address (source IP) and the sending host's IP address (destination IP address of RTA).
 - The sending host, RTA, will use the source IP address of this ICMP Time Exceeded message to display at the second hop.
 - 1 10.0.0.2 4 msec 4 msec 4 msec
 - 2 172.16.0.2 20 msec 16 msec 16 msec





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- The sending host, RTA:
 - The traceroute program increments the TTL by 1 (now 3) and resends the Packet.





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RTB

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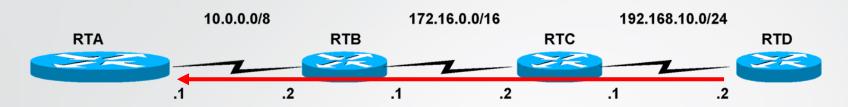


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• RTC

- This time RTC **decrements** the TTL by 1 and it is NOT o. (It is 1.)
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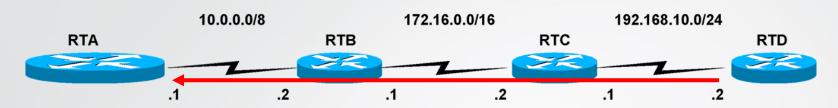




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Header	Header	(Port Unreachable)		(UDP)	Trailer
*All layer 2 info	Src. IP: 192.168.10.2 Dest. IP: 10.0.0.1	Type: 3 Code: 3	Other fields of ICMP Packet	-	FCS

- RTD decrements the TTL by 1 and it is o.
- However, RTD notices that the Destination IP Address of 192.168.0.2 is it's own interface.
- Since it does not need to forward the packet, the TTL of o has no affect.
- RTD sends the packet to the UDP process.
- UDP examines the unrecognizable port number of 35,000 and sends back an ICMP Port
 Unreachable message to the sender, RTA, using Type 3 and Code 3.

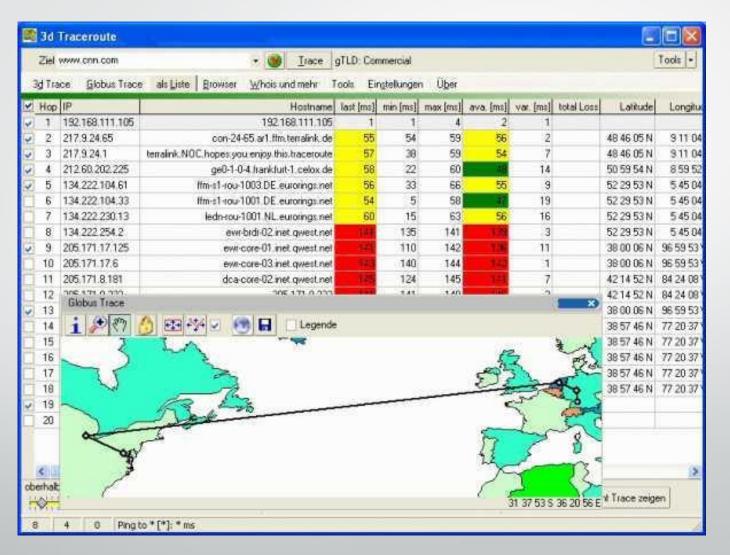




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Sending host, RTA

- RTA receives the ICMP Port Unreachable message.
- The traceroute program uses this information (Source IP Address) and displays the third hop.
- The traceroute program also recognizes this Port Unreachable message as meaning this is the destination it was tracing.







The End