

NETWORK LAYER

FUNCTIONS

1. Routing : When a packet reaches the routers input link, the router will move the packets to the routers output link.
2. Logical Addressing The data link layer implements the physical addressing. and network layer implements logical addressing. The network layer adds a header to the packet which includes addresses of both sender and receiver.
3. InterNetworking : This is the main role of network layer that it provides logical connection between different types of networks.
4. Fragmentation : It is the process of breaking the packets into smallest individual data units that travel through different networks.

SWITCHING TECHNIQUES

1.] CIRCUIT SWITCHING

circuit switching is a switching technique that establishes a dedicated path between sender and receiver.

In circuit switching Technique, once the connection is terminated only then the connection path ~~is terminated~~ cease to exist.

— Space division

In this the path is separated by physical separators called cross points.

2.] MESSAGE SWITCHING

In message switching no dedicated path is created, it is transported to intermediate nodes which route it according to the information in the message which has destination address.

This is called dynamic routing.

3.] PACKET SWITCHING

In the Packet switching the message is sent in one go but is divided into smaller parts known as packets.

IP Addressing.

IPv4:

32 bit long.
addresses are unique and universal

Classes:

- Class A: 1.0.0.0 - 127.0.0.0
- Class B: 128.0.0.0 - 191.255.0.0
- Class C: 192.0.0.0 - 223.255.255.0
- Class D: 224.0.0.0 - 239.255.255.255 (multicast address)
- Class E: 240.0.0.0 - 254.255.255.255 (reserved for future)

NOTATIONS

1. Dotted decimal Notation:
Denoted decimal format where each part separated by a dot.
Mostly used for human configurations.
2. Binary notations:
In binary format (32 bits)
Mostly used by devices for processing.

CLASSLESS ADDRESSING

1. Subnetting:
It is the process of converting host bits to network bits
As a result it increases the network
2. Supernetting:
It is the process of converting network bits to host bits
As a result it decreases the network size

VLSM (Variable Length Subnet Mask) ↑↑

NAT [Network address translation]

IP address has public range & private range

To connect to network globally public range must be used with unique IP globally.

To connect to network within organization private range must be used with unique IP within org.

The NAT router consist public IP at exit interface and Private IP at internal interface.

Private IP	Private port	External IP (Public)	External Port (Public)	Transport Protocol
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IPv6 :

ADDRESS STRUCTURE

An IPv6 address is made of 128 bits divided into eight 16 bit blocks. each block is converted into 4 digit Hex number separated by colon symbol

example : 2001: 0000: 3238: DFE1: 0063: 0000: 0000: FEFB

It can be shortened by following rules

- - remove leading zeroes.

2001: 0000: 3238: DFE1: 63: 0000: 0000: FEFB

If two or more block contain 0000's - then replace with ::

2001: 0000: 3238: DFE1: 63:: FEFB

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN

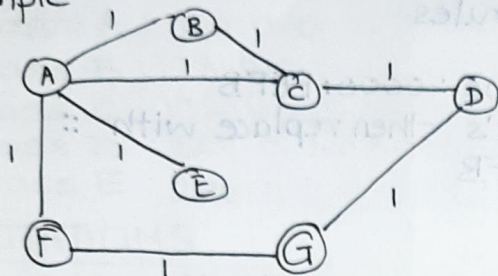
Category.	IPv4	IPv6
Address length	32-bits	128-bits
Available IP	2^{32}	2^{128}
Fragmentation	Done by sender & router	Done only by sender
Packet Flow Identification	Not available	Available in header using flow label field.
Checksum field.	Available	Not Available
Options field	Available	Not Available but extension field present
Broadcast Message	Available	Not Available
ARP protocol	Available to map IPv4 to MAC	Replaced by Neighbor Discovery Protocol
Configuration	Manual Configuration & Dynamic Configuration is required to configure IP	Auto configuration of IP is available

ROUTING ALGORITHM

DISTANCE VECTOR ~~PROTOCOL~~ ROUTING

In this each link node updates the distance matrix of other node with its distance to that node.

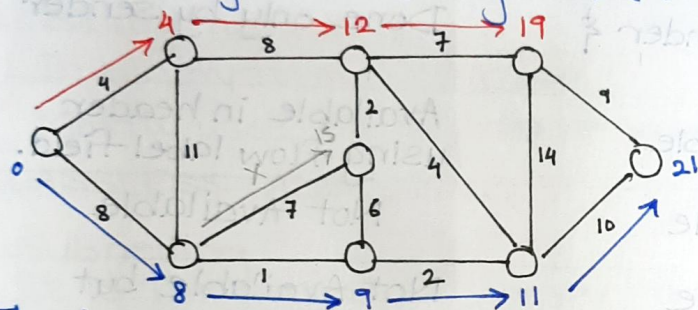
example



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
A	0	1	1	2	1	1	2
B	1	0	1	2	2	2	3
C	1	1	0	1	2	2	2
D	2	2	1	0	3	2	1
E	1	2	2	3	0	2	3
F	1	2	2	2	2	0	1
G	2	3	2	1	3	1	0

LINK STATE ROUTING

It uses Dijkstra's Algorithm to solve/route.



It also has

Link state packet - small packet with routing info

Link state database - A collection information gathered from link state packet.

Routing table - List of known paths and interface.

ADAPTIVE ROUTING

- called as Dynamic
- makes decisions based on network topology & traffic
- parameters related are hop count, distance, estimated time.
- They are complex

NON ADAPTIVE ROUTING

- called as static
- when booting up network routing info stored in router
- doesn't consider topology or traffic
- They are simple

INTERNET CONTROL PROTOCOL

ARP [Address Resolution Protocol]

It is a communication protocol used for resolving physical address associated with given network address.

Typically ARP is network layer to Datalink layer mapping process which is used to discover the MAC of given IP.

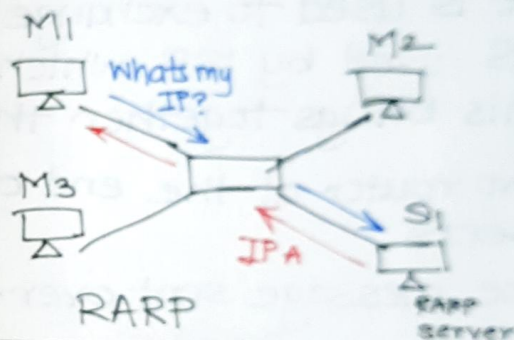
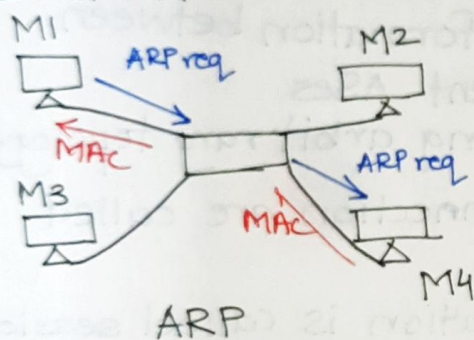
To send a message the destination IP is not enough we also need the MAC of destination machine. Here ARP is used.

RARP [Reverse Address Resolution Protocol]

In this the machine in LAN requests its IP from the gateway - router's ARP table.

The network Admin makes a ARP table which maps MAC address to IP.

DIAGRAM

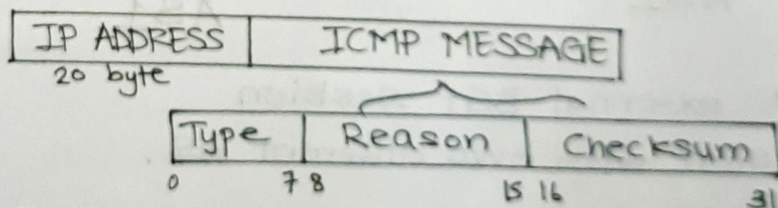


ICMP [Internet Control Message Protocol]

ICMP is used to check if destination is [^]re[^]achable and responding.

It is used by host and reports back to sender if an error occurs [doesn't correct the error]

IP DATAGRAM



IGMP [Internet Group MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL]

It is used to route Multicast messages from sender to hosts that have registered through IGMP to receive them.

ROUTING PROTOCOLS

They are used to determine the path taken by a datagram between source and destination.

An Autonomous system (AS) is a collection of router under the same administrative control.

OSPF - Open Shortest Path First

Its a link state routing protocol which uses the best path calculation between source and destination.

It constructs a topological graph of network (AS)

It runs Dijkstra algorithm to determine shortest path.

Finally it broadcasts link state info to all other routers in AS

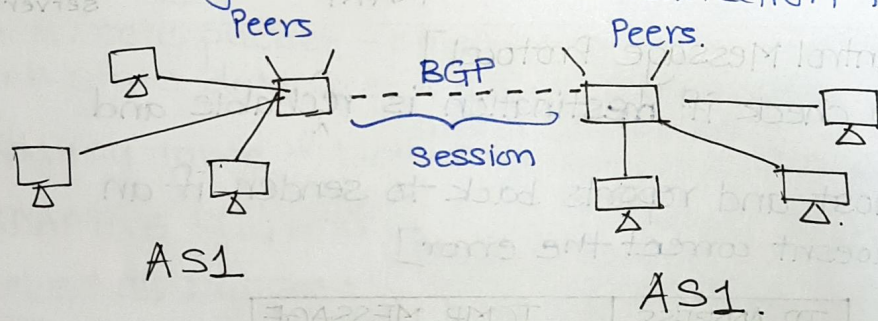
BGP - Border Gateway Protocol

It is used to exchange routing information between AS used by ISP which are different ASes

This brings together the AS using arbitrary topology

Two router at the end of each connection are called peers

The message sent over this connection is called session



eBGP external BGP session

session with two different AS.

iBGP internal BGP session.

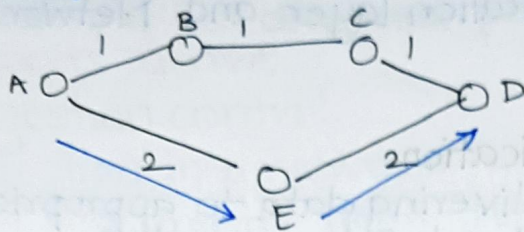
session within a AS

RIP : Routing Information Protocol.

It is a distance vector protocol used for routing

It focuses on hop count as metric for routing

It works towards minimizing the number of hops required to reach destination.



x A-B-C-D : hop-3
dist-3

✓ A-E-D : hop-2
dist-4.

MPLS - Multiprotocol Label Switching.

It is a routing technique in which it direct data from one node to other based on labels rather than network addresses