

## OSPF Tables

- Neighbor Table
  - directly connected OSPF Routers
  - state of Adj
  - Topology Table sh ip ospf database.
  - Everything OSPF knows about.
  - Link State DataBase ( LSDB )
    - Each entry in LSDB is known as : Link State Advertisement ( LSA )
- After converging, every router will have the same LSDB.

- Routing Table
- Router's Routing Table ( not solely a func in OSPF )
- OSPF will contribute its best Routes to Routing Table.

Sh ip route

## OSPF Packets.

- Hello
  - » periodically sent to 224.0.0.5, multicast address for all OSPF routers.
  - » Discover other OSPF Routers
  - » include info about the sending router  
Determines whether Adj will form
- DBD (Database Descriptor)
  - » Summary of LSAs in each Router's LSDB
    - It could have 1000 LSAs.
    - so  $R_1 \rightleftarrows R_2$ ,  $R_1$  only send DBD (summary of LSAs)
  - » Avoid sending full LSDB for each net
- LSR (Link State Request).
  - » request a list of LSAs
- LSU (Link State Update)
  - » Includes requested LSAs
- Link State Acknowledgement (LSAck)
  - » Sent to confirm reception of LSU

## OSPF Areas

- OSPF Routers maintain identical LSDBs
  - change anywhere propagate everywhere.
- network can be segregated using Areas.  
Limits propagation to confined Sections.
- Area Design creates a 2-tier hierarchy.
  - Area 0 - Top of Hierarchy - Backbone Area.
  - Area # - All other Areas : + 4, 294, 967, 295  
 $(2^{32})$
- Traffic between areas must travel Area 0
  - Assures loop free area topology
  - Hub & spoke design
    - Star Topology).

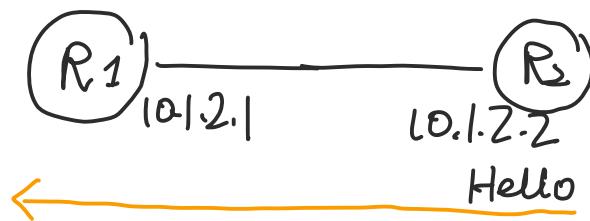
## OSPF Types of Routers

- Internal Routers : All ints in a single Area.
- Backbone Routers : At least 1 int in Area 0.
- Area Border Routers : Int(s) in Area 0 & in Area #
  1. maintain LSDB for each area
  2. responsible for summarizes LSAs between Areas.
- ASBR - Autonomous System Border Routers.
  - Redistributing foreign routes into OSPF

## Hello Package

- Discover OSPF nbrs.
- Sent periodically to 224.0.0.5 (multicast)  
Typically every 10s
- Some networks don't support multicast
  - Router's peer IP must be manually configured
  - In this case, Hello Packets sent Unicast  
(typically every 30~ seconds)
- Content of Hello determines if Routers will become nbrs.

Content:



Router-ID	2.2.2.2
Hello Interval	10s
Dead Interval	40s
Nbrs	
Area ID	
Auth. Data	
Network mask	/24

: Frequency of periodic Hellos

: Duration to rem

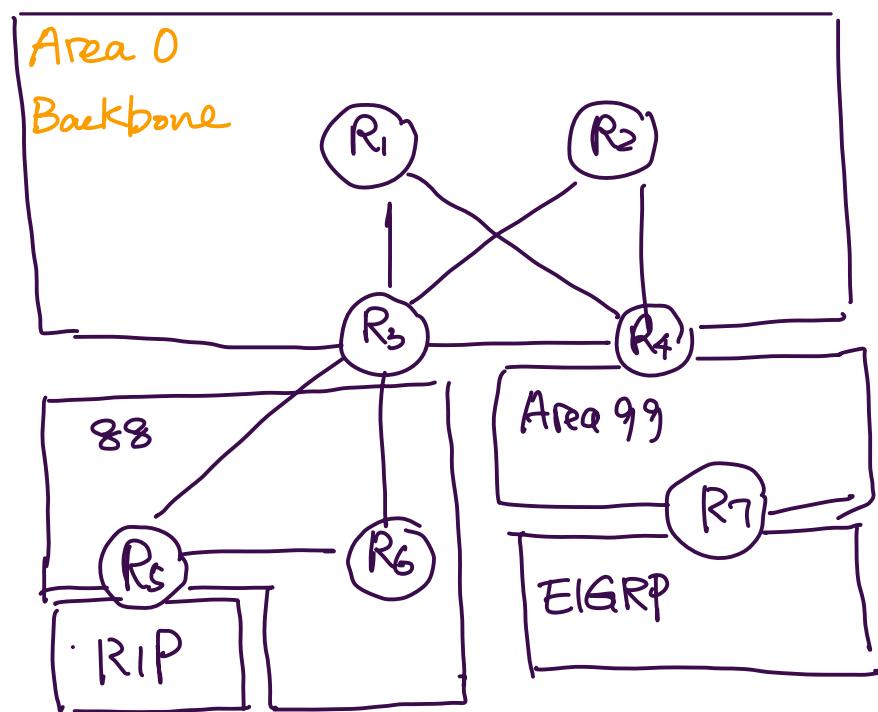
Nbr (4x Hello interval)

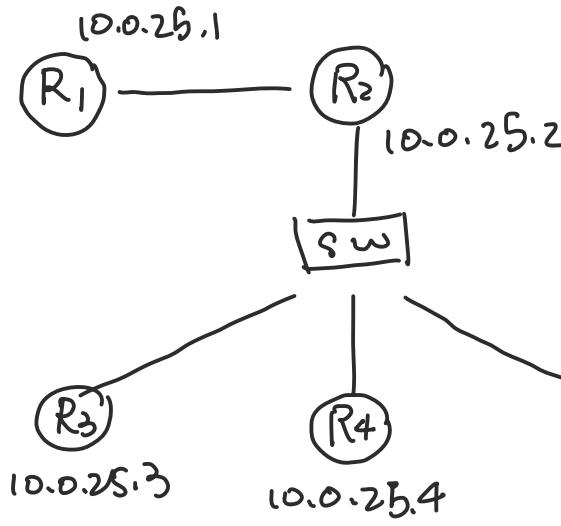
Nbr Router IDs seen on link validates 2-way reachability subnet mask for the link

OSPF peering w/ the routers you designate mandating u only form a nbr relationship w/ other routers that include the same password.

## Area Type - Normal , Stub , NSSA

- Normal Area - Default Area Type.
- Stub Area
  - prevent any redistributed routes from appearing in
  - replace w/ Default route pointing to ABR
- NSSA - Not so stubby Area
  - No redistribution, except from local area
  - optionally replaced by w/ Default Route



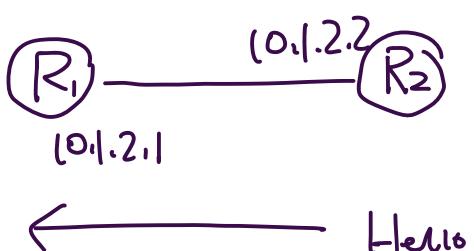


- DR - Designated Rt
- BDR - Backup ..
- Priority - 0 to 255 default 1

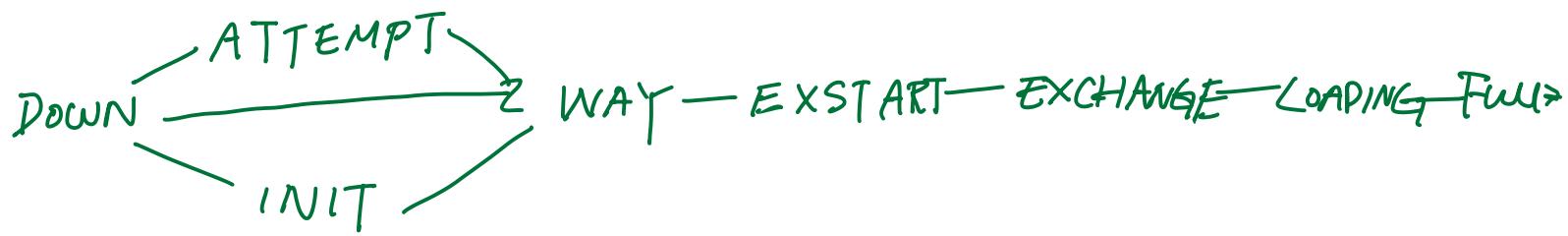
- On multi-access links a DR is elected.
- central point for all updates on Link

**BDR:** take over DR when something happen to DR

**multi-access:** any link w/ potential for multi-access.



Router ID	2.2.2.2
Hello Interval	10 s
Dead Interval	40 s
Nbrs	(empty)
Area ID	0
Auth. Data	None
Network Mask	/27
Area Type	Normal
Designated Rtr	10.1.2.2
Backup D Rtr	0.0.0.0
priority	1.



• STATE: DOWN

- Initial State when OSPF first configured
- Sending periodic Hello to 224.0.0.5
  - Initially Nbrs field is empty

Nbr Table is empty

(relationship w/ another router is down)

• STATE: ATTEMPT

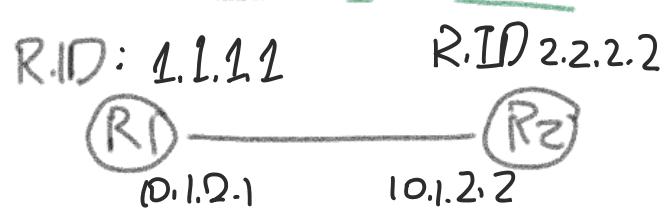
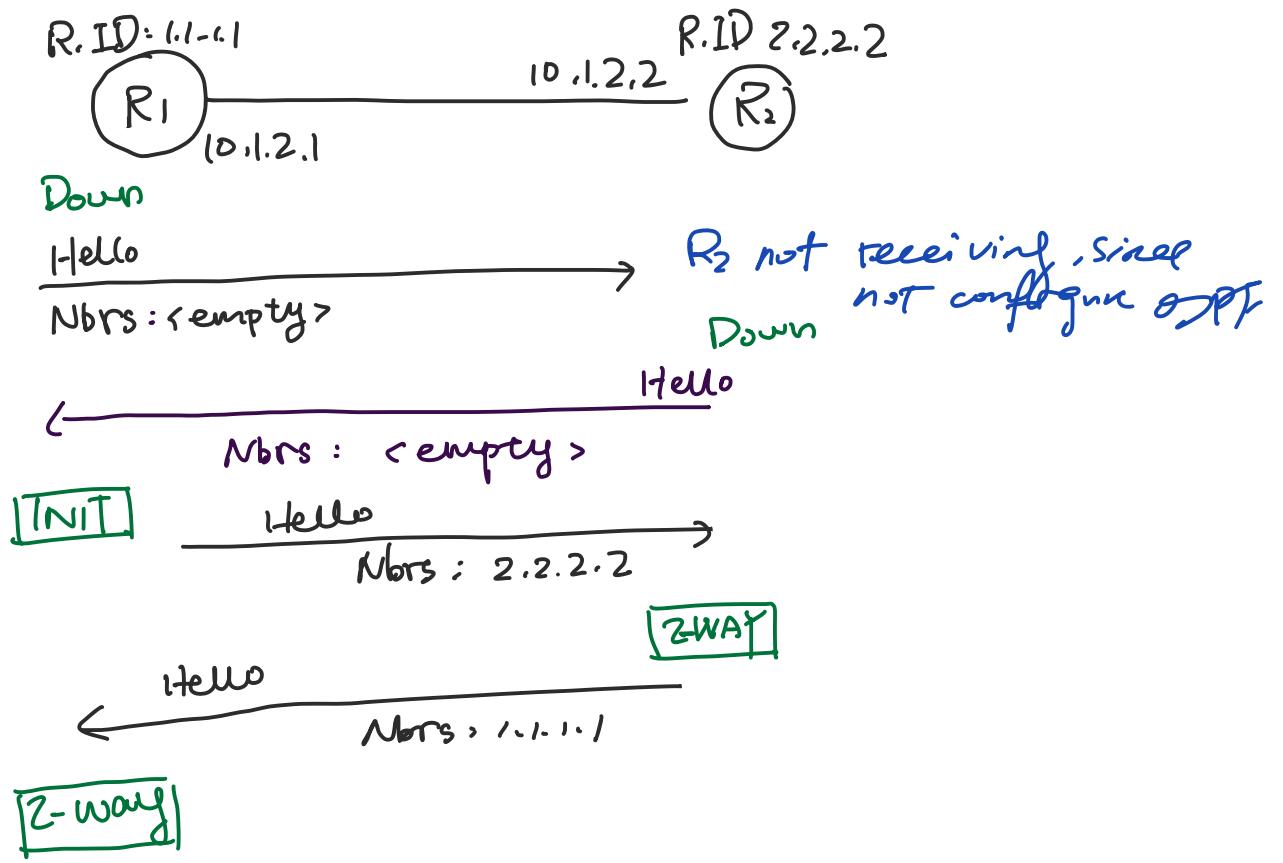
- NBMA Links only  
non-broadcast multi-access links
- Manually Configured Nbrs
- Sending Unicast Hellos

• STATE: INIT

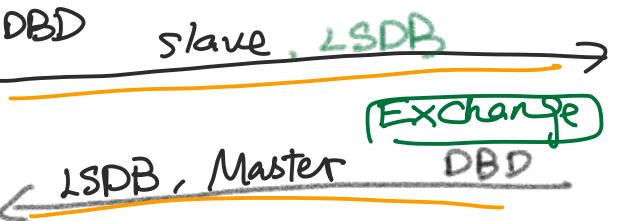
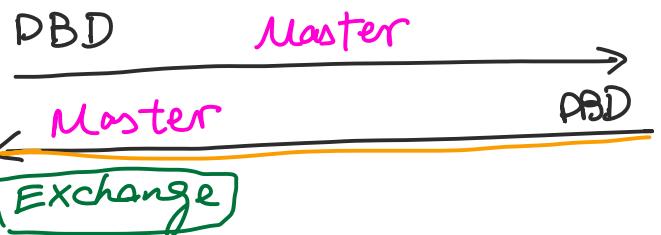
- Received a Hello packet
- Outbound Hellos now include Peer R.ID.

STATE: 2-WAY.

- Router sees itself in Nbr's 1-hello
- Router decides if Adj will proceed



EXSTART      EXSTART



- In Master/Slave election, first the 2 of them both send DBD indicating they're the master
- Higher router ID becomes master, & slave into Exchange and send confirming DBD saying it is the slave.
- After receiving the confirmation, the master router into Exchange

STATE : EXSTART

f they decide to proceed w/ adj.

- Master / Slave Election
  - Governs reliable DBD exchange  
( see previous page )

STATE : EXCHANGE

• Master / Slave Election is complete

• Peers exchange LSDB summaries .

At this point , both peers have exchanged their LSDB summary , which means both peers are now in the loading stage

RID: 1.1.1.1

R1

10.1.2.1

RID 2.2.2.2

R2

10.1.2.2

loading

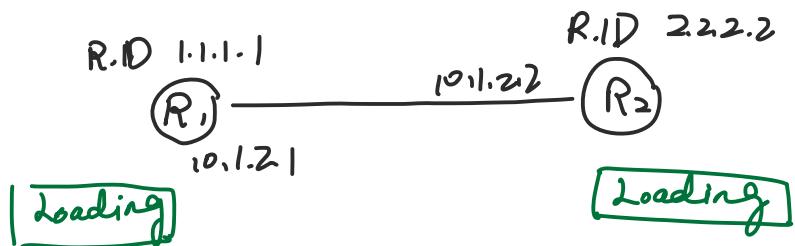
loading

State : Loading

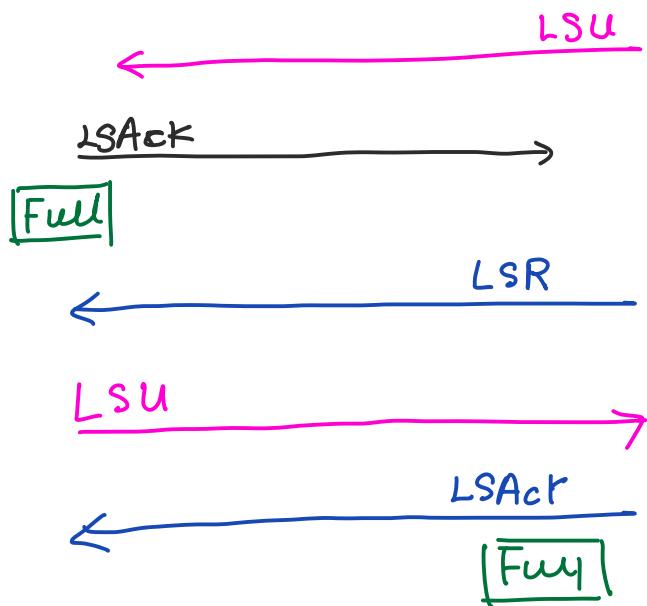
exponential backoff

- Both peers know the LSAs in neighbor's LSDB, and they can pick from that lists the ones that they actually need
- peers request full LSAs through

- LSR , LSU , LSACK



LSR : specific lsas that Router 1 needs from router 2's lsdb

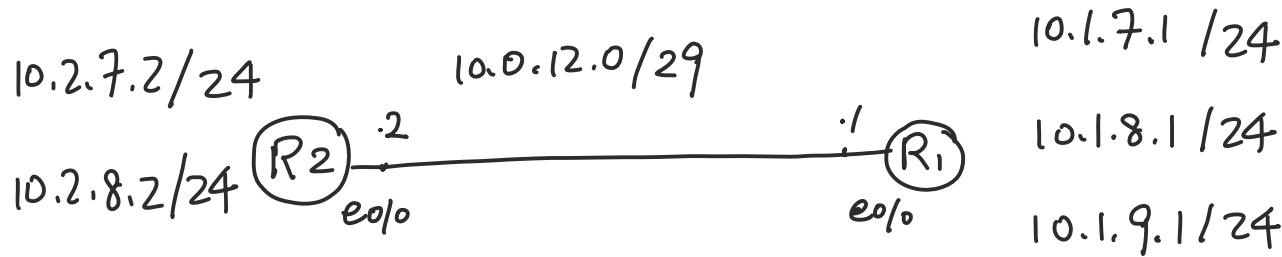


• State : Full

- LSDB's are Synchronized
- Adj complete .

Down → init → 2 way → exstart → exchange → loading → full

# Configuration



10.2.9.2/24

R1#

1. See if the router has done any dynamic routing

Show ip protocols

2. turn on ospf config +

Router ospf **110** → process id number

3. Setting a router id

conf t → global config

Router ospf 110 → go into ospf process id

Router-id 1.1.1.1 → Set the router-id.

sh ip protocols → Router ID 1.1.1.1

sh ip ospf database → also sh router id & process id

4. add interface to ospf

(network command)

config t

router ospf 110

do sh ip int brief | e una ← see all the int

network 10.0.12.1 0.0.0.0 area 0

wildcard mask

→ sh sp ospf interface brief  
Interface w/ ospf configured.

→ sh ip ospf database (link state database for this router)

R2#

5. Verify if an ospf nbr exist

sh ip ospf neighbor → nothing comes up

6. Setup ospf

config t

router ospf 110

Router-id 2.2.2.2

network 10.0.12.2 0.0.0.0 area

→ sh ip ospf database

2 type-1 LSA and 1 type-2 LSA



Router Link States (Area 0)



Net Link States (Area 0)

7. Command that make the content in ospf DB more like route.

sh ip ospf rib (routing information base) : routing table

8. Sh ospf learned path that made into the routing table.

sh ip route ospf

R2# (put the loopback interface into ospf)

sh run | section Router

(router ospf 110

network 10.0.12.2 0.0.0.0 area 0)

conf t

router ospf 110

network 10.2.0.0 0.0.255.255 area 0

^Z (back out)

R1#sh ip ospf rib 10.2.9.0  $\Rightarrow$  show more info about that particular route

LSA 1/2.2.2.2/2.2.2.2  
↓ ↓ ↓  
type 1 link ID ADV Router

can be matched w/ "sh ip ospf database"

9. another way to add ints

conf t

interface Loopback27  $\rightarrow$  go into interface configuration

ip ospf 110 area 0

^Z

► Interface range

Interface range Loopback 28-29

ip ospf 110 area 0

10. LSDB

sh ip ospf database

## Configuration Commands :

- Router ospf <#> process id
- Router id <#>
- adding interface to OSPF :
  - network <net id> < wildcard > area <#>  
go into interface <sup>conf t</sup> int eth1.
  - ip ospf <#> area <#>
- Show Command

sh ip protocols

sh ip ospf interface [brief]

sh ip ospf neighbors

sh ip ospf database

sh ip ospf rib (10.0.0.9). show more info about this route).

sh ip route (ospf)

## DR & BDR

- Reduce redundant LSA flooding
- Elected using interface priority number
  - range 0-255
  - default 1
  - highest Router-id break the tie
- Elected on all Multi-Access links
  - link w/ potential for multi access (ethernet)
  - Broadcast / NBMA

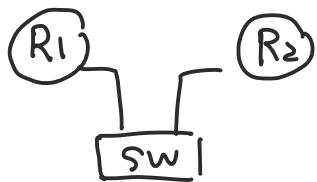
R.ID 1.1.1.1  
R<sub>1</sub>  
(D.O. ID=1) /24  
Priority: 1.

R<sub>1</sub> initial Hello packet  
R.ID: 1.1.1.1  
Priority: 1  
DR IP: 0.0.0.0  
BDR IP: 0.0.0.0.1

- Check if DR already exist
- Duration: Wait timer same as Dead interval

. After wait timer, it's going to determine that there is no DR on this link & the router elects itself as DR  
continue to send out hello packet until another router joins the link

R.ID 1.1.1.1  
Priority 1  
DR IP 10.0.10.1  
BDR IP 0.0.0.0



- R<sub>2</sub>'s initial Hello packet

R.ID: 2.2.2.2

priority: 1

DR IP: 0.0.0.0

BDR IP: 0.0.0.0

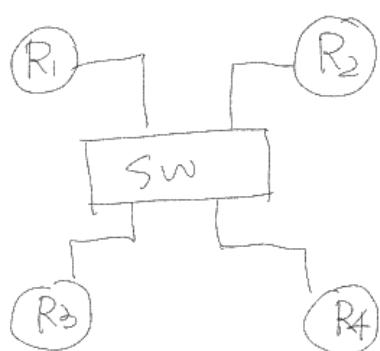
- Checking if DR already exists
- Receives Hello packets from R<sub>1</sub>
  - R<sub>2</sub> has same priority #, but better Router-ID
  - Does not preempt current DR.
- R<sub>2</sub> elects itself BDR

R.ID 2.2.2.2

priority: 1

DR IP 10.0.10.1

BDR IP 10.0.10.2



- R<sub>3</sub> & R<sub>4</sub> join the network, and they will first send out hello packets w/ 0.0.0.0 DR & BDR.
- they will receive hello packet from R<sub>1</sub> & R<sub>2</sub> and they will tell them a DR & BDR already exist.
- Hello packets include DR & BDR.
- DR other

 DR / BDR status & priority is per interface,  
not per router.

priority number : can influence DR election

- 0 ~ 255 - Default 1 - higher better
- special case → 0 never become DR / BDR  
interface is always DROTHER

```
Router# conf t
# int Ethernet 0/0
# ip ospf priority [0-255]
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How are Routing Updates propagated ?

- 224.0.0.5 - all OSPF routers
- 224.0.0.6 - only DR / BDR

► When DR has routing updates :

DR sends LSU to 224.0.0.5

BDR sends LSACK to 224.0.0.5

(confirm BDR is healthy & doing its job)

DROTHER send LSACK to 224.0.0.6

► When BDR has routing updates :

**BDR** sends LSU to 224.0.0.5

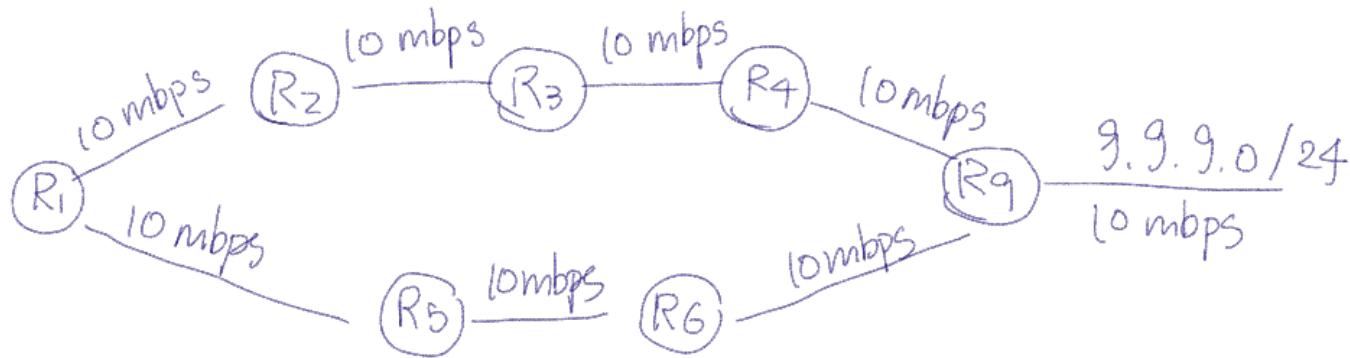
**DR** sends LSACK to 224.0.0.5

**DROTHER** send LSACK to 224.0.0.6

When **DROTHER** has a routing update :

- **DROTHER** Sends LSU to 224.0.0.6
- **DR** sends LSU to 224.0.0.5
- **BDR** sends LSACK to 224.0.0.5
- Remaining **DROTHERs** send LSACK to 224.0.0.6

## OSPF cost / metric



- RIP = Hop count
- EIGRP = Minimum Bandwidth / Load / Delay / Reliability
- OSPF = Delay  $\Rightarrow$  additive metric based on link speed.

Cost formula =

$$\text{Reference Bandwidth} / \text{Link Bandwidth}$$

Default Reference Bandwidth = 100 Mbps

1. See reference Bandwidth :

sh ip ospf

going down & we will see the reference bandwidth.

2. link bandwidth : we can see using sh interface command,

sh interface e0/0

sh ip ospf interface brief

3. config link bandwidth

conf t

Int eth 0/0

bandwidth ? (Bandwidth in kilobits)

bandwidth 10000 (10 mbps)

do sh ip ospf int brief , under cost

Cost calculation :

minimum bandwidth on a link is 1

no decimal , so a cost like 3.33 is truncated into 3.

OSPF Reference bandwidth :

check current reference bandwidth: sh ip ospf 1 | Ref

what we have configured in our router OSPF process.

sh run | s Router

change reference bandwidth

Router ospf 110

auto-cost reference-bandwidth 100 (mbps)

show all costs on every interface in this router

sh ip ospf int brief

the range of cost is 1 - 65535

Be careful w/ the reference bandwidth

Type 1 LSA : Router LSA - Router identifies itself & its links

- IP Networks / Subnet Mask / Costs for each Router link
- used to build topology map of local area.

Type 2 LSA : Sent by Designated Router (DR)

- When multiple routers connected to the same multi-access link.

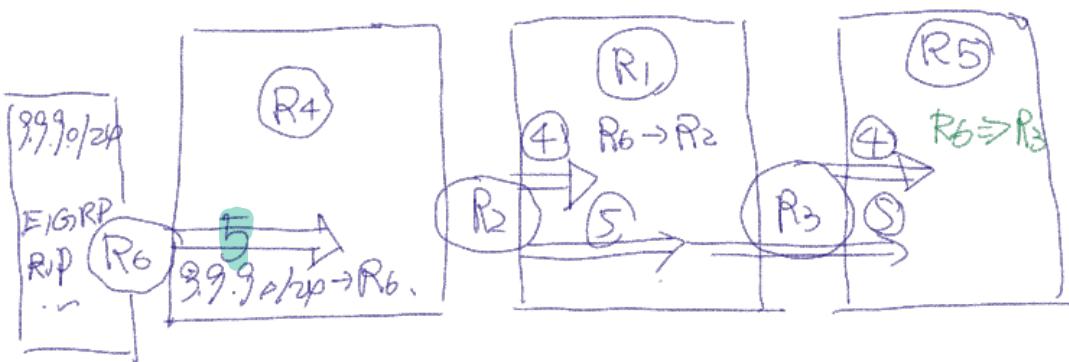
Type 3 LSA : Contain IP Networks from foreign areas

- Sent by Area Border Routers (ABRs)
- Summarizes Type 1 and Type 2 LSAs and Type 3 LSAs
- Each Type 3 LSA typically contains 1 IP subnet  
Type 3 LSAs can create IP summarization boundaries.

Type 1 and Type 2 : - Intra-Area - within local area  
- Inter-Area - outside local area

Type 5 LSA - contain an IP Subnet redistribution into OSPF

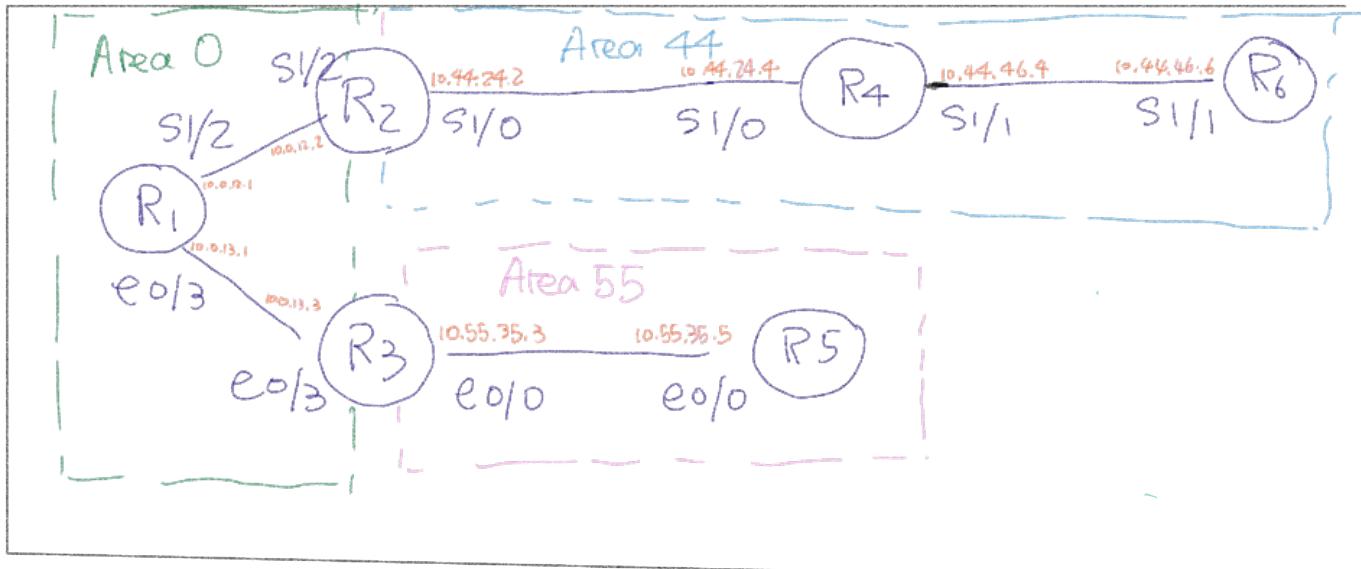
- Sent by Autonomous System Border Routers (ASBRs)
- Forwarded unchanged throughout OSPF domain



Type 4 LSA - instructions to reach ASBRs

- Sent by ABR , when ASBR in a foreign Area .  
As a helper LSA to type 5 LSA.

# LSAs Deep Dive



(1) LSA Type 1 and Type 2

1. Loopback

R1 # router ospf 110

router-id 1.1.1.1

conf t < adding a loopback int

int lo1

ip add 10.0.1.1 255.255.255.0

sh ip int br | e una

int lo1

ip ospf 110 area 0

To see the result : sh ip ospf int brief  
sh ip ospf database

We have one Type 1 (router) LSA ,

To see In detail :

sh ip ospf database router 1.1.1.1

Router LSA Link ID

Link count expand :

By default, ospf always advertise a loopback int as  
/32 network

Loopback int is advertised w/in a Type 1 LSA using a stub network.

2. Loopback point-to-point (network type) w/  
no neighbors.

int l1

ip ospf network point-to-point

We can check the result by

sh ip ospf int loopback 1

sh ip ospf database

sh ip ospf database router 1.1.1.1

(Now the network mask is /24)

Stub network:  
[network id, subnet mask, cost].

3. Serial link (show u how point to point network works)

point-to-point network: Layer-2 vpns, Metro Ethernet,  
MPLS and so on, & perhaps setting an ethernet link as  
point-to-point

Stub type link inside a type I LSA

R2# : conf t

int s1/2

ip ospf 110 area 0

sh ip ospf database

now we have a link count of 2

sh ip ospf database router 1.1.1.1 (inspect further)

sh ip ospf int s1/2

#### 4 Serial link with neighbor

sh ip ospf neighbor

(stub & point-to-point)

#### 5 Ethernet no neighbor.

stub

## Type I - Router LSA

1

Point-to-Point  
Connection to  
another OSPF Router  
on a P2P link

2

Transit Network  
Designated Router  
for Multi-Access  
Link with OSPF  
Neighbors

3

Stub Network  
Net ID, Subnet  
Mask, and Cost  
of directly  
connected network

4

Virtual link  
Virtual link w/ remote  
Router ID and Local  
Int IP

Router identifying itself,  
attached links, and  
each link's cost.

## Type 2 - Network LSA

Designated Router  
announcing information  
about multi-access link  
w/ 2+ OSPF Routers

- DR interface IP
- DR Router ID
- Network Mask
- Router-ID of all attached  
Routers.

Type 3 LSAs : Summary LSA

configure R2 as an ABR,

verify: sh ip protocols

Number of areas in this router is 1.

Type 3 LSA summarize the Type 1 & Type 2 LSAs from foreign areas.

- Includes Net ID, Mask and Cost for ABR to reach Target Network.
- ABRs generate a Type 3 LSA for each IP Network in a foreign Area.
- ABRs generate Type 3 LSAs in each direction, for each Area they border
- ABRs generate Type 3 LSAs from other Type 3 LSAs from foreign Areas.

Type 4 LSA : asbr-summary  
Type 5 LSA : External  
LSA

Configure R6 as ASBR

Command to show whether R6 is ASBR or not :

sh ip protocols

$$2^7 = 8 \times 16 \\ = 128$$

sh ip route connected

$$\underline{196} + \underline{32}$$

conf t

$$= 228.$$

router ospf 110

$$\underline{192} + \underline{32} \\ = 224.$$

redistribute connected

verify ASBR

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sh ip protocols (It is an autonomous  
system boundary router)

sh ip ospf database router 6.6.6.6

AS Boundary Router

-----  
----- tell the router all the LSAs that it is originating

into OSPF

sh ip ospf database self-originate

Type 4 : asbr-summary LSA

Area Border Routers advertising information about ASBRs in a foreign area.

- ASBR Router-ID
- ABR Router-ID
- ~ Cost for ABR to reach ASBR

Type 5 : External LSA

Autonomous System Border Router advertising external networks redistributed into OSPF domain.

- Network ID / Subnet Mask
- ASBR Router-ID
- Cost and Metric Type for ASBR to reach redistributed Network

(Same sub-net) Network Types Full mesh: every router on this link can speak to every other router on this link.

Point to point : "Full Mesh" connectivity



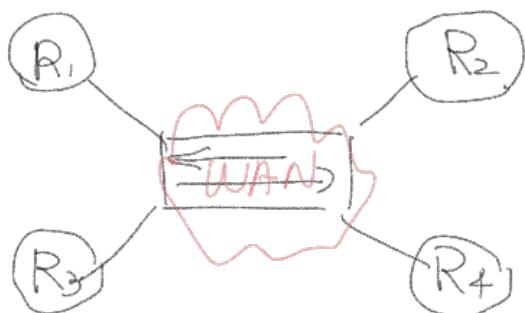
serial link default point to point network type

If ethernet or fiber, we need to manually set it to be point-to-point

Full Mesh connectivity

Broadcast

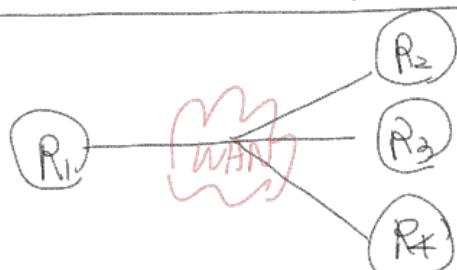
ethernet link default to broadcast.



when broadcast or multicast not supported,  
Non-broadcast Multi-access (NBMA)

Point to multipoint

used in Hub and spoke type deployments.



meaning: topology:

A router, the hub can see all the other routers (the spoke) while all the other routers (the spoke) can only see the hub.

when broadcast or multicast  
not supported,

point to multipoint Non-broadcast

Network Type	P2P	Broadcast	NBMA	P2MP	P2MP-NB.
Max Routers per Link	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
Full Mesh Connectivity Assumed	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Designated Router/BDR Election	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Hello/Dead Timer (Cisco default)	10/40	10/40	30/120	30/120	30/120
Automatic Neighbor Discovery	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Discovery & periodic Hello sent to 224.0.0.5	224.0.0.5	manually. Neighbor IP	224.0.0.5	224.0.0.5	Neighbor IP.
continued neighbor communication to 224.0.0.5	unicast	unicast	unicast	unicast	unicast
LSA(s) sent to 224.0.0.5	Multicast DR / BDR	Unicast DR / BDR	Unicast	Unicast	Unicast
Next-hop IP	peer	Orig. Rtr	Orig Rtr -	Hub	Hub

Normal area

- LSAs : 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Stub area

→ without

- LSAs : 1, 2, 3 4, 5

- Inject a default route via Type 3 By ABR.

Totally Stub area.

- LSAs : 1 2 3 4 5

- inject a default route via Type 3 by ABR  
only 1 type 3 ABR

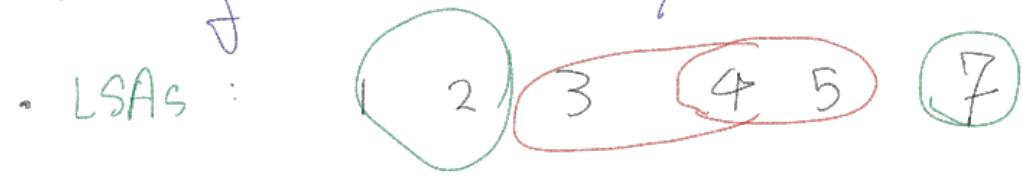
Not so Stubby Area ( NSSA )

- LSAs 1 2 3 4 5 7

Redistribution via Type 7

there is no default route, the admin should account for how do we want the routers in area 4 to deal with traffic going to subnets without a route

Totally not so stubby area.

- LSAs : 

- Redistribution via type 7.
- Default Route via type 3.

Hello packet flag :

E=1 , N=0      Normal

E=0 , N=0      Stub

E=0 , N=1      NSSA

Totally Stub Area

Totally Not So Stub Area



additional options  
we can turn on on the  
ABR in front of a  
stub or NSSA

## Stub Area

- On all routers in the Area
  - area <#> stub

sh run | s router

conf t

router ospf 110

area 0 stub  
X

we cannot make backbone  
stub.

Additional ABR options : - No Type-3 LSAs from foreign area.

- area <#> stub no-summary. Totally stub.
- area <#> Stub no-ext-capability
- No Opaque LSAs

## Not So Stubby Area (NSSA)

• On all routers In the Area :

- area <#> nssa

• Additional ABR options :

- ... default-information-originate

- Inject Default Route via Type 7 LSA

- ... no-summary

- Inject Default Type 3, No

- other Type 3: (totally NSSA)

- No opaque LSAs (9,10,11)

- No redistribution from

- AER into NSSA .

- ( when ABR is also a  
ASBR )

- ... no-ext-capability

- ... no-redistribution

- Passive Interface - disable sending Hello Packets
- Continue to allow IP Subnet advertisement
- configuration:

```
R1(config) # Router ospf 110  
           Router-id 1.1.1.1  
           passive-interface Ethernet0/0  
           passive-interface Ethernet0/1
```

Command to verify passive interface :

sh ip protocols

sh ip ospf interface

passive interface default :

We can set all interfaces as passive interface .

- Selectively disable passive interface on specific interfaces

Router ospf 110 .

Router-id 1.1.1.1

passive-interface default .

no passive-interface Ethernet0/0

no passive-interface Ethernet0/1