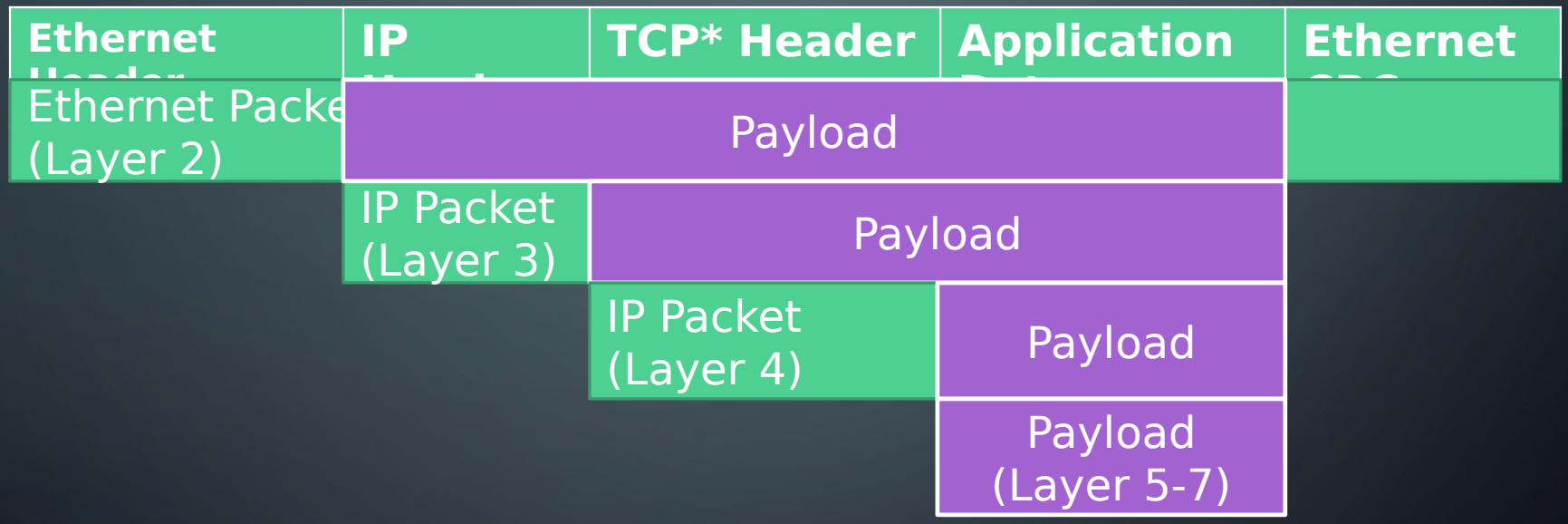
LINUX NETWORKING

PREVIOUSLY COVERED

- What is an IP?
- What is a subnet?
- CIDR notation

- Focus on IPv4

A TYPICAL PACKET



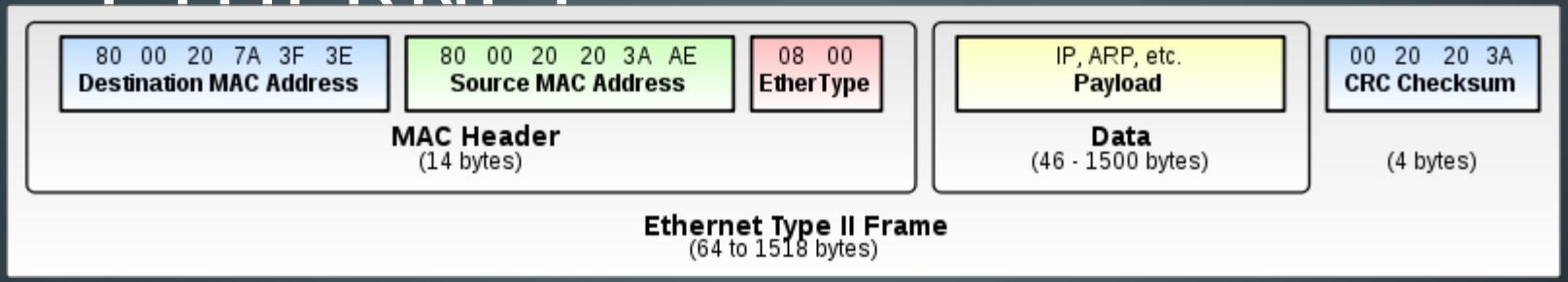
* Could be TCP, UDP, ICMP, or other protocols that ride on IP.

MTU

- Maximum Transmission Unit
  - Maximum size a layer can pass forward without having to break up the packet (fragmentation)
    - Ethernet is 1500bytes
    - 802.11 is 2272bytes
    - Jumbo Frames is 1500-9000bytes
- Ethernet Efficiency
  - Efficiency = $\frac{Payload\_Size}{Frame\_Size}$ $\frac{1500}{1538} = 97.53\%$

or 97.5Mbps on a 100Mbps connection

DATA LINK - LAYER 2 - ETHERNET



- Layer 2
- Typically 14 byte header
  - 6 byte destination address
  - 6 byte source address
  - 2 bytes for type
    - IP, IPv6, ARP, etc.
- Addresses must be unique
  - First 3 bytes represent manufacture
  - Burnt in during manufacturing – can be overridden (or spoofed)
- Special Addresses
  - Broadcast Address – FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:FF

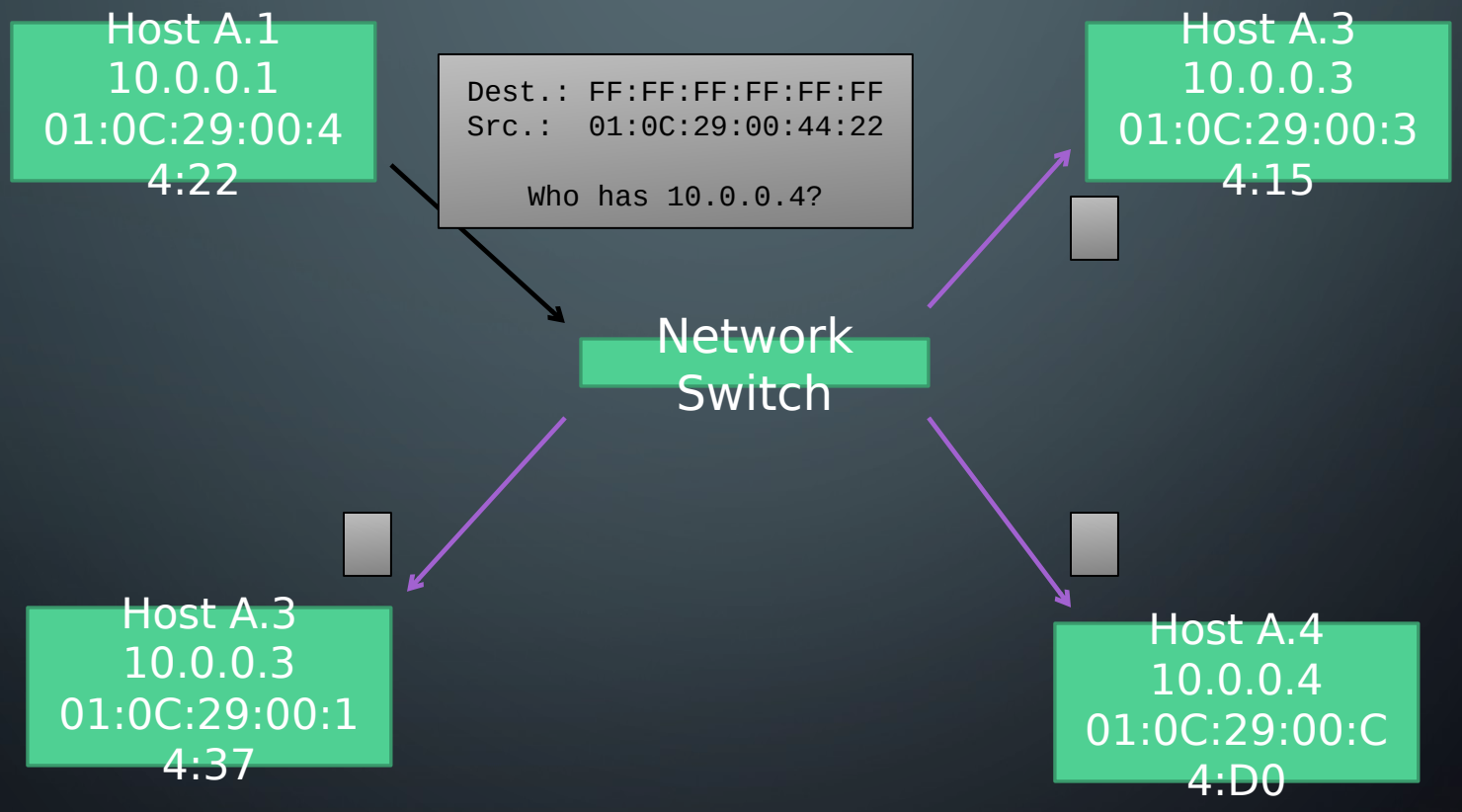
DATA LINK HARDWARE – HUBS AND SWITCHES

- Hubs
  - Send all packets to everybody
    - Not very secure
  - Shared Bandwidth
- Switches are smart hubs
  - Maintain MAC address list for each port
  - Dedicated port bandwidth

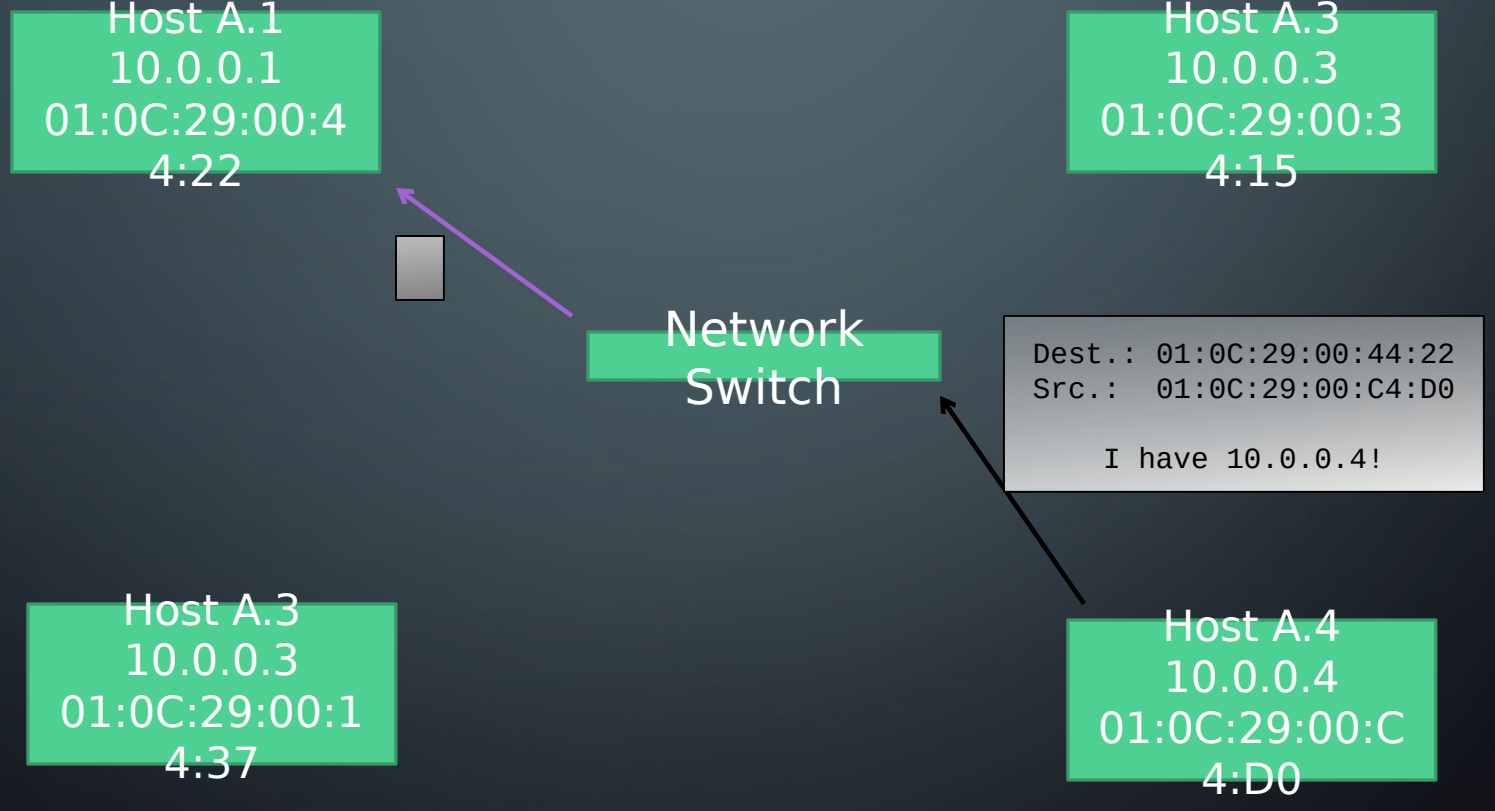
ARP

- Address Resolution Protocol
  - Resolve IP addresses to MAC addresses
    - Broadcasts who has IP to network
    - IP holder responds via senders MAC address
- Hubs and switches can only route MAC addresses
  - No knowledge of IP

ARP EXAMPLE - REQUEST

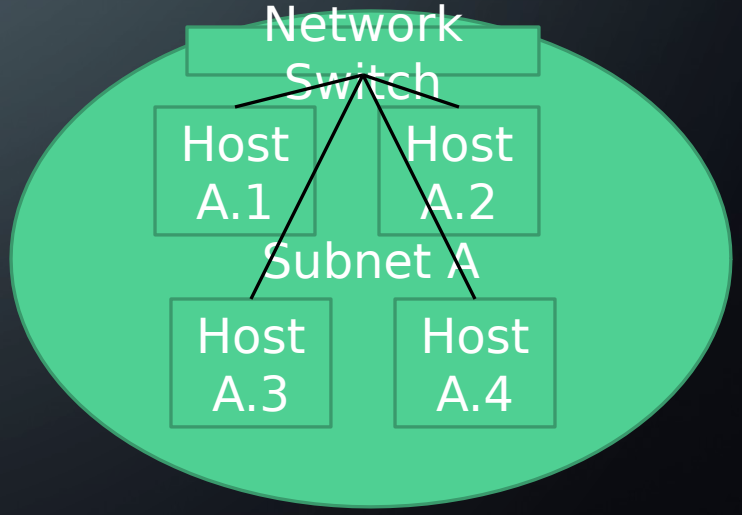


ARP EXAMPLE - RESPONSE



ARP/MAC

- Traditional Networks (ARP) Address Resolution Protocol
  - A.1 wants to talk to A.2
  - A.1 asks all hosts/everyone (**broadcasts**) what MAC is A.2?
  - A.2 **Broadcasts** back answer
  - A.1 sends packet to A.2 with A.2's MAC address (otherwise switch wouldn't know which network port to send it to)



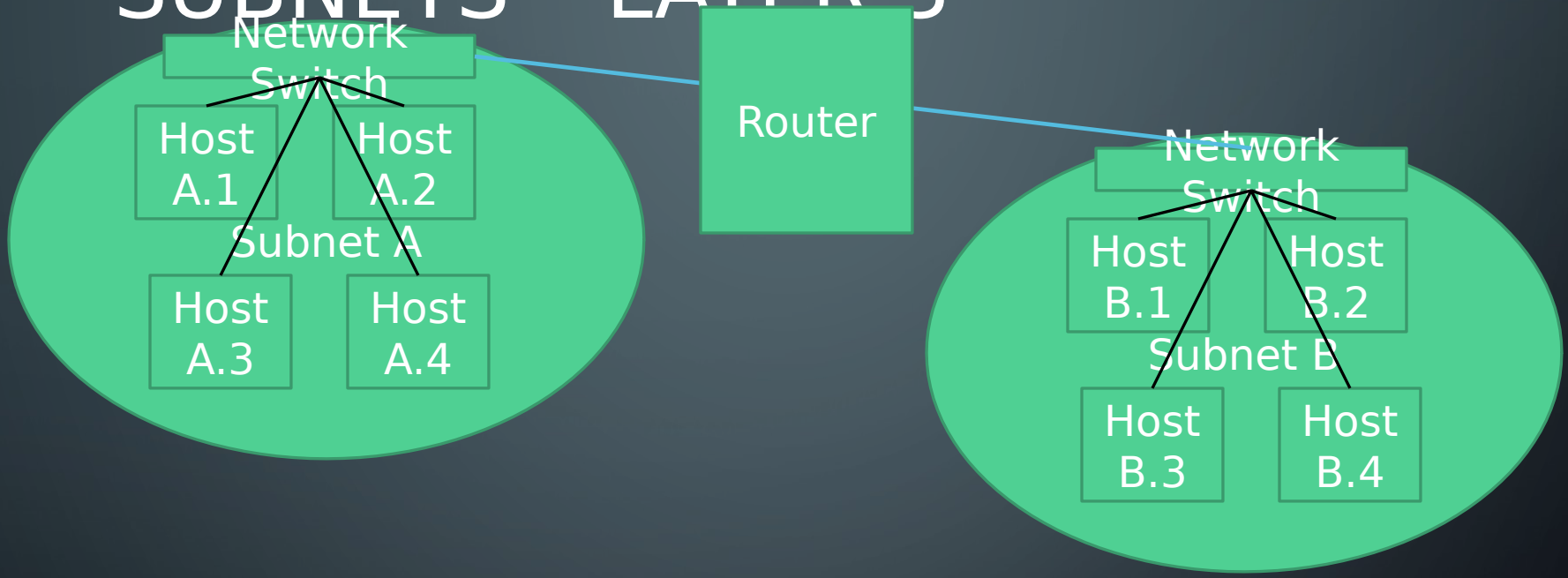
ARP RESPONSE - SECURITY

- Nothing to prevent other hosts from answering
  - First to respond wins
  - Can create Man in the Middle
- Switches can only remember finite number of MAC addresses (4k?)
  - If too many, switch can failsafe revert to hubs
  - MAC flood to create this situation
- Advanced switches can prevent this
  - $50 12 port switch vs. a $5k one.

ARP

- Works good, but what about large networks?
- Each host receives broadcasts
  - Must check if message is meant for host
- More hosts means more broadcast
  - Eventually run out of host system resources
- Need a way to segment networks

SUBNETS – LAYER 3



- A.1 wants to talk to B.1
  - A.1 sees B.1's IP is not on local subnet
  - A.1 sends data packet to default Router to route it
  - Router received packet and ARP process begins on B subnet

** Some additional ARPing may initially occur between A.1 and router (assuming cached)

SUBNETTING

- A subnet is a sub-network
  - A range of IP addresses
  - Defined by a subnet

- 10.0.20.0/24 – Subnet is 256 hosts
- 10.0.20.0/23 – Subnet is 512 hosts

WHAT IS A ROUTER?

- Router – Forwards data between compute networks beyond directly connected devices.
  - Connects multiple subnets together
  - (Slide 15)

- Devices are directly connected when data is forwarded using network switches.

ROUTER [GATEWAY IS A ROUTER]

- Routes traffic
  - Can be static routes (this is what we'll use)
  - Can dynamically build routes
    - Self healing, load balancing, scalable, etc.

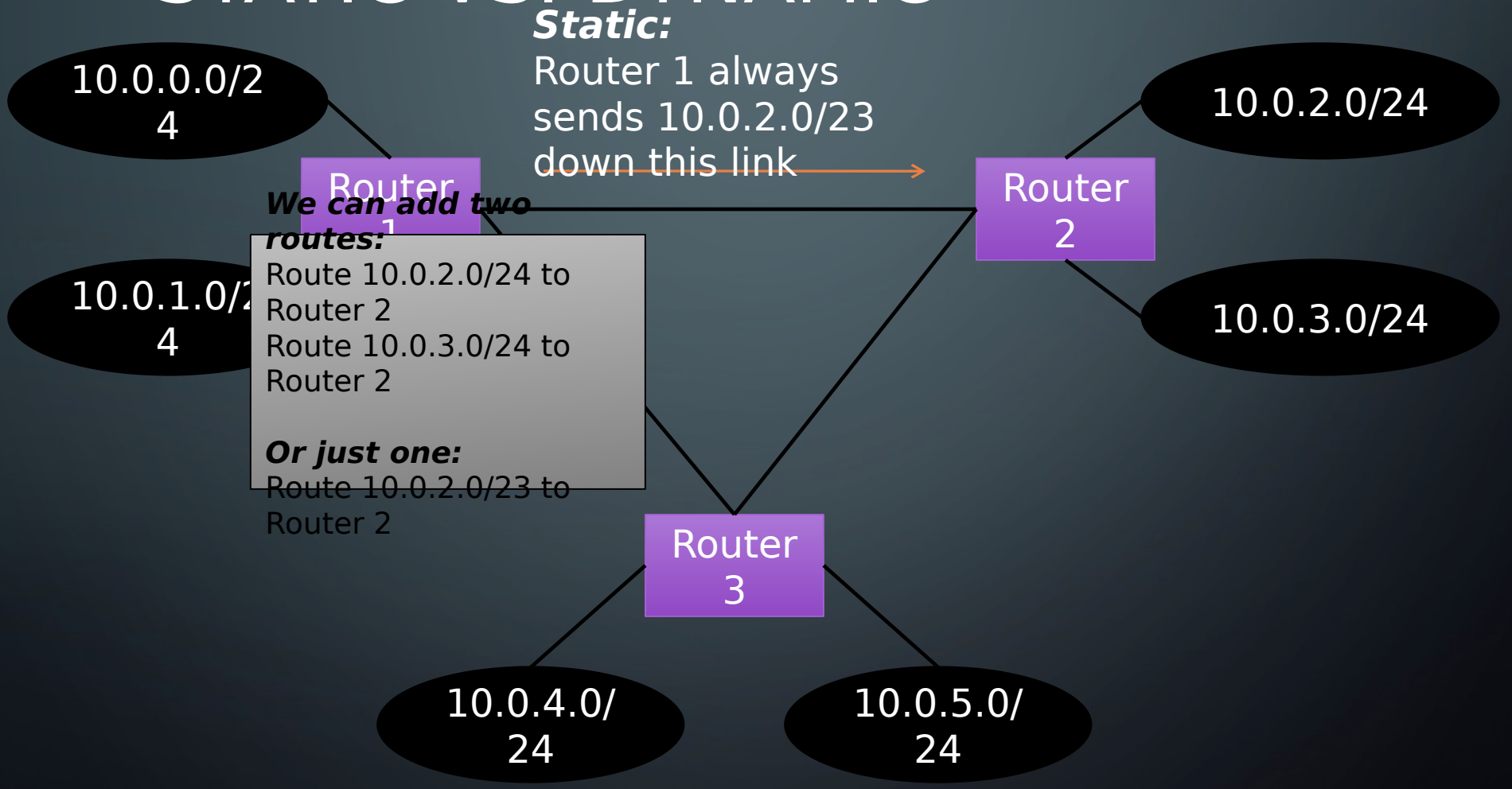
- If you want to send to an IP address not on your subnet (defined by subnet mask) you will need a router to send it for you
  - Can have a default router (only one)
  - Can have static routes to override
  - netstat -rn shows default routing table
    - Or: ip route show

ROUTING TABLE: NETSTAT -RN

```
user@router:~$ netstat -rn
Kernel IP routing table
Destination     Gateway         Genmask         Flags   MSS Window  irtt Iface
128.198.50.16   0.0.0.0         255.255.255.248 U         0 0          0 eth0
10.0.5.0        0.0.0.0         255.255.255.0   U         0 0          0 eth1
10.0.7.0        0.0.0.0         255.255.255.0   U         0 0          0 eth1
10.0.0.0        0.0.0.0         255.255.255.0   U         0 0          0 eth1
10.0.3.0        0.0.0.0         255.255.255.0   U         0 0          0 eth1
10.0.9.0        0.0.0.0         255.255.255.0   U         0 0          0 eth1
10.0.11.0       0.0.0.0         255.255.255.0   U         0 0          0 eth1
10.0.12.0       10.0.0.106      255.255.254.0   UG        0 0          0 eth1
0.0.0.0         128.198.50.17   0.0.0.0         UG        0 0          0 eth0
```

- Routes are processed in order – default route last
- Mask 0.0.0.0 routes everything, but it is the last to be checked
- Almost all hosts have at least one route
  - Usually just a default route

STATIC VS. DYNAMIC



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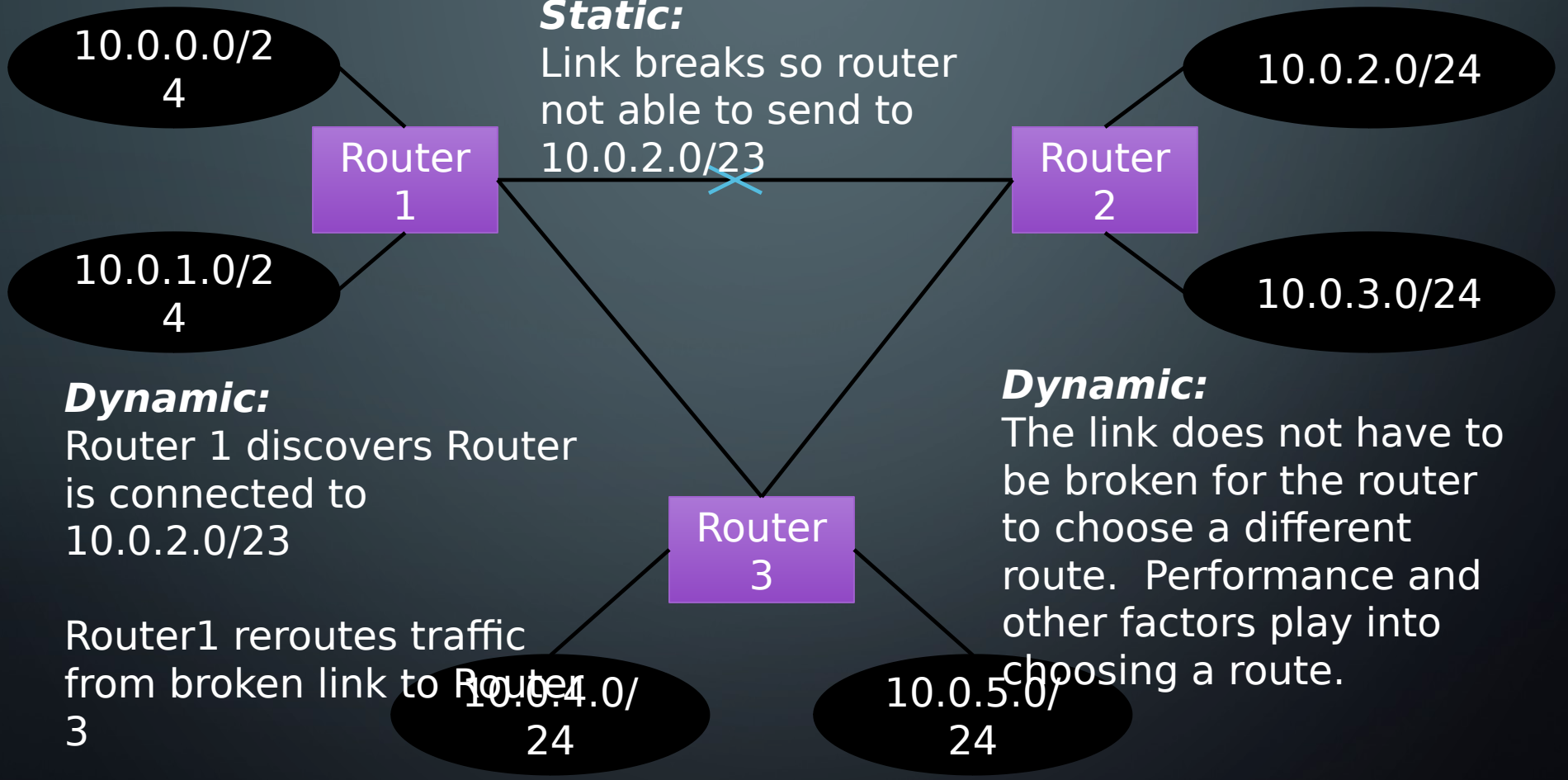


Static:
Link breaks so router not able to send to 10.0.2.0/23

Dynamic:
Router 1 discovers Router is connected to 10.0.2.0/23

Router1 reroutes traffic from broken link to Router 3

Dynamic:
The link does not have to be broken for the router to choose a different route. Performance and other factors play into choosing a route.

RIP (Routing Information Protocol) is a way for the Routers to dynamically exchange route information.

STATIC VS. DYNAMIC

- So why choose Static?

STATIC VS. DYNAMIC

- So why choose Static?
  - It’s quick/easier.
  - It’s constant.

CREATING STATIC ROUTES

- Any traffic sent to us for a given subnet, we forward to a given IP address

- 1st: Need a subnet to route
- 2nd: Need a destination to route it to

- Examples:
  - ISP gave us 128.198.0.0/22
  - We have 6 routers and have to use one for the incoming connection.

MANUALLY ADDING ROUTES

- Default routes (gateways)
  - `route add default gw 10.0.0.1`
  - Statically routes subnet mask 0.0.0.0 or /0 to 10.0.0.1
- Static routes
  - `route add -net 10.0.12.0 netmask 255.255.254.0 gw 10.0.0.106 dev eth0`

PERSISTING STATIC ROUTES

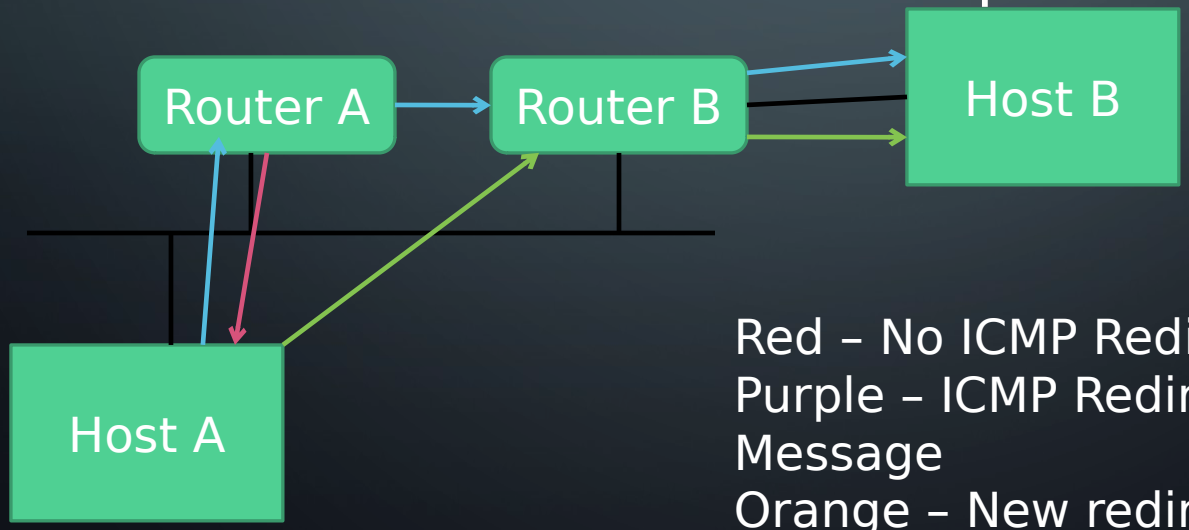
- Edit vi /etc/network/interface and add:
  - `up route add –net 10.0.13.0/24 gw 10.0.12.137`
- This will apply a static route and route all 10.0.13.0 traffic the router sees to 10.0.12.137

ICMP

- Internet Control Messaging Protocol
  - Intended to complement IP
  - Not used to send data but rather host status and error messages
- Ping
  - ICMP command that queries if a host is online
  - If hosts receives a ping ‘echo request’, the host, if online, should respond with a ‘echo reply’
  - Useful for determining what hosts are online

ICMP REDIRECTS

- If a router received a packet and determines the host can route it more efficiently it sends an ICMP redirect
- Prevents excess router hops



Red – No ICMP Redirect
Purple – ICMP Redirect Message
Orange – New redirected route

HOW TO CHECK ROUTES

- tracert
  - Is able to determine the routers between it and a given destination.

- To install:
  - apt-get install traceroute
    - apt-get will be covered in later slides – this is just a reference.

HOW TO SETUP NETWORKING ON UBUNTU

- Must have a network interface
- Use lsmod to list modules inserted into the kernel
  - /etc/modules – file containing modules at boot time
  - /etc/modprobe.d – config files for modules

HOW TO SETUP NETWORKING ON UBUNTU

- Where is the network interface?
  - Can use `dmesg` to help determine interface names and link availability
  - `ifconfig -a`
  - Looking in /dev for stuff that looks right

HOW TO ADD A MACHINE TO A NETWORK?

- Assign a unique IP
- Configure host to boot up with ip address
- Add default routes
  - Allows it access to the internet
- Add a DNS server’s IP to the host
  - vi edit the /etc/resolv.conf
    - nameserver 10.0.0.1

MANUALLY ASSIGNING IP ADDRESS

- Quickly configuring IP
  - `ifconfig eth0 10.0.0.2 netmask 255.255.255.0 up`
  - `route add default gw 10.0.0.1`
- Route command adds a default static route
  - Routes subnet mask 0.0.0.0 to 10.0.0.1

PERMANENTLY ADDING IP ADDRESS

- Edit /etc/network/interface and add:

```
auto eth0
iface eth0 inet static # can be static or dhcp
address 10.0.0.2
netmask 255.255.255.0  # this is a /24
gateway 10.0.0.1       # default gateway (optional)
```

- gateway is a static route for 0.0.0.0
- gateway must exist on your local subnet

BRING INTERFACE ONLINE

- /etc/init.d/networking restart
  - Restarting networking can cause all adapters to restart
    - Consider using nohup is connected remotely
    - sudo nohup /etc/init.d/networking restart
- ifup eth0

HOW DO WE CREATE A ROUTER IN UBUNTU?

- Easy!

- Add two network interfaces
- Configure them
- Enable Routing

CREATING UBUNTU ROUTER

- Edit /etc/network/interface and add:

```
auto eth0
iface eth0 inet static
address 10.0.0.106
netmask 255.255.255.0
gateway 10.0.0.1

auto eth1
iface eth1 inet static
address 10.0.12.1
netmask 255.255.255.0
```

- Edit /etc/sysctl.conf and uncomment line to:
  - `net.ipv4.ip_forward=1`