

## 1. Network Bandwidth Calculation for Link-State and Distance Vector Routing

Given:

- **Number of routers:** 180
- **Average connections per router:** 5
- **Update interval:** 120 milliseconds
- **Protocol assumptions:**
  - **Link-state routing:** Each router sends link-state packets (LSPs) to all routers in the network.
  - **Distance-vector routing:** Each router sends its distance vector to only directly connected neighbors.

**Assumptions:**

1. **Size of routing table entries:**
  - Assume each entry in a routing table (e.g., each route to a specific destination) takes 4 bytes.
  - Each router's LSP includes information about its direct links to its 5 neighbors.
2. **Size of link-state packets:**
  - Each LSP includes information about the router's identity (e.g., router ID, 4 bytes), sequence number (4 bytes), and entries for its 5 neighbors ( $5 * 4 = 20$  bytes).
  - Total LSP size per router:  $4 + 4 + 20 = 28$  bytes.
3. **Size of distance-vector packets:**
  - Assume that each distance vector sent to a neighbor contains 180 entries, with each entry representing the cost to each destination router ( $180 \text{ entries} * 4 \text{ bytes} = 720 \text{ bytes}$ ).
  - Total DV packet size per router: 720 bytes.

### Link-State Routing Bandwidth Calculation

- Each router generates an LSP every 120 ms and floods it to the entire network.
- Since there are 180 routers, each router will receive 179 LSPs from other routers every 120 ms.
- Bandwidth used by link-state routing per 120 ms:
  - $\text{Bandwidth} = \text{Number of routers} \times \text{LSP size} \times \text{Number of updates per second}$
  - So,  $180 \times 28 \text{ bytes} = 5040 \text{ bytes}$  every 120 ms.

### Distance-Vector Routing Bandwidth Calculation

- Each router sends its distance vector (720 bytes) to its 5 neighbors every 120 ms.
- Bandwidth used by distance-vector routing per 120 ms:
  - $\text{Bandwidth} = \text{Number of routers} \times \text{Neighbors per router} \times \text{Distance vector size}$
  - So,  $180 \times 5 \times 720 = 648,000 \text{ bytes}$  per 120 ms

## Summary

- **Link-state bandwidth:** 5040 bytes every 120 ms.
- **Distance-vector bandwidth:** 648,000 bytes every 120 ms.

## 2. Flooding vs. Broadcast

### Similarities:

- Both **flooding** and **broadcast** aim to deliver information to all nodes in a network.

### Differences:

- **Flooding** does not limit the scope, so each node retransmits to all its neighbors until all nodes receive the message. This can cause excessive duplication and traffic.
- **Broadcasting** aims for efficiency by ensuring each node receives the message once, avoiding duplication where possible.

## 3. Split Horizon Limitation in Avoiding Count-to-Infinity Problem

**Example Scenario:** Consider routers A, B, and C connected in a linear configuration (A—B—C). Suppose the following initial distances:

### Initial State:

Router	Destination	Distance
A	C	2
B	C	1

### After Link Breaks Between B and C:

When the link between B and C fails, the tables evolve as follows:

### Iteration 1:

1. B cannot reach C anymore, so B updates its table:
  - **B:** (C,  $\infty$ )
2. A still believes it can reach C through B and continues with (C, 2).

### Iteration 2:

1. B now receives A's distance to C (2) and updates its table again:
  - **B:** (C, 3)

This process continues, increasing the distance between B and C at each iteration. Here, split horizon does not prevent B from updating its distance based on A's belief, leading to count-to-infinity.

