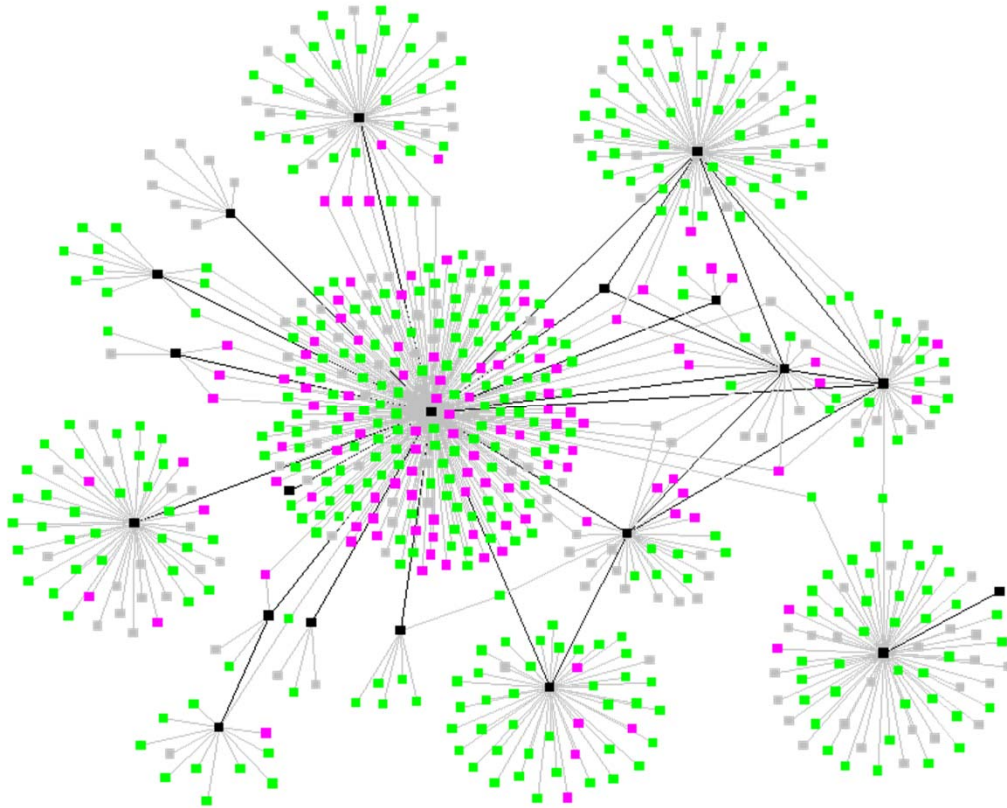


# CSCE 560

## Introduction to Computer Networking



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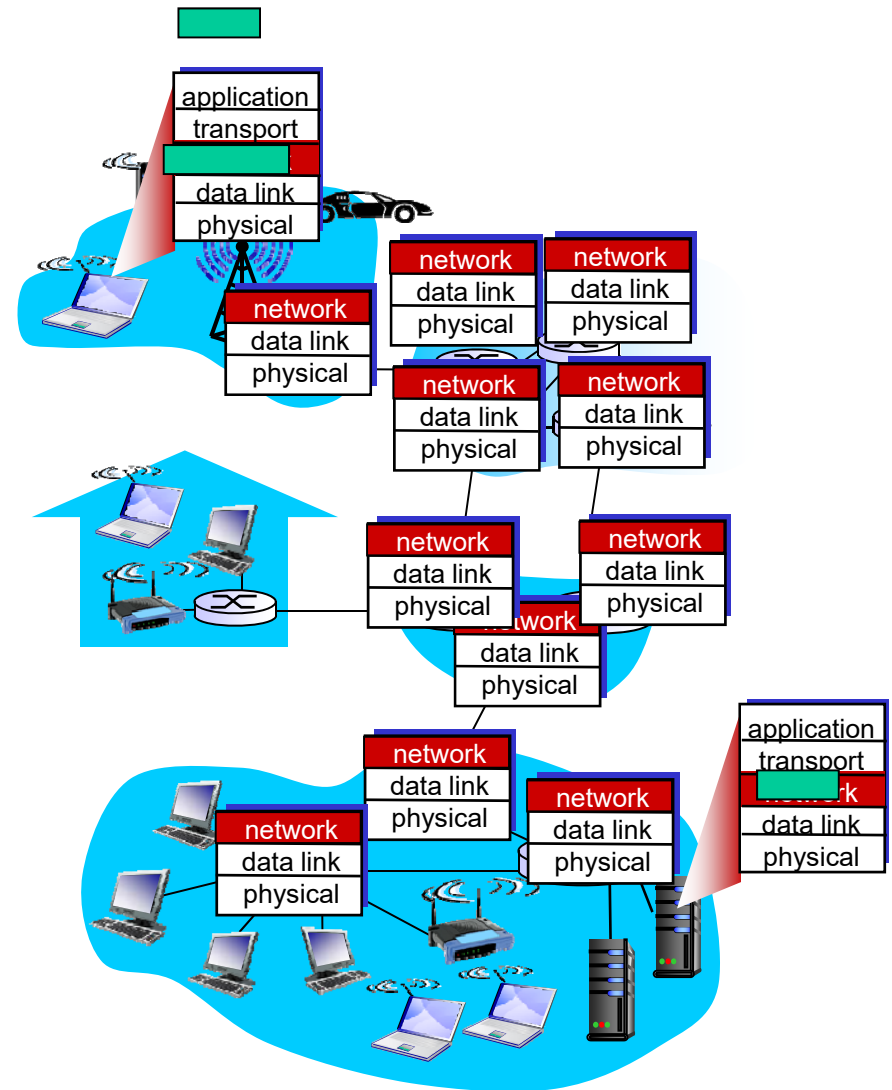
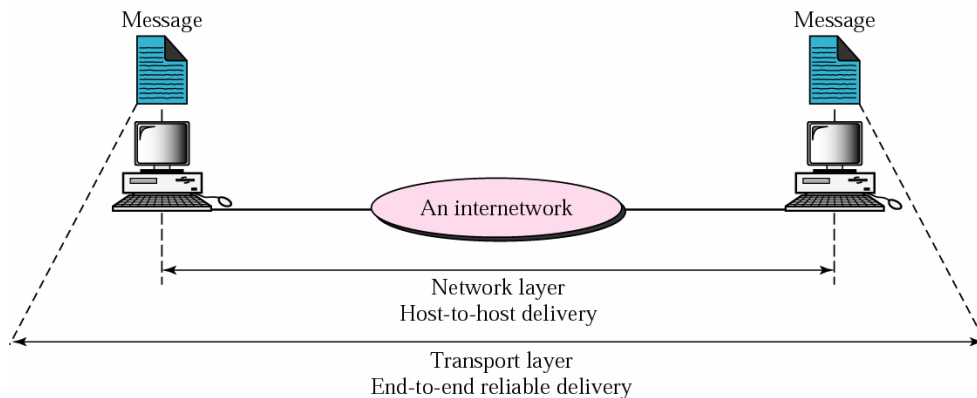
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# Network Layer

- ❑ Network layer protocols in every host **and router**
- ❑ Packets between same source-dest pair can take different paths
- ❑ **Network:** between two hosts
  - ❖ IP to IP
- ❑ **Transport:** between two processes
  - ❖ Port to port

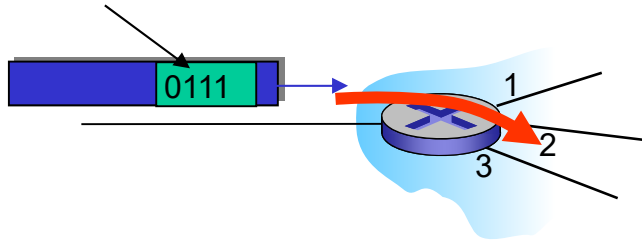


# Network Layer: Data Plane, Control Plane

## Data plane

- ❑ **Local**, per-router function
- ❑ Determines how datagram arriving on router input port is **forwarded** to router output port
- ❑ Forwarding function

Destination value in arriving packet's header

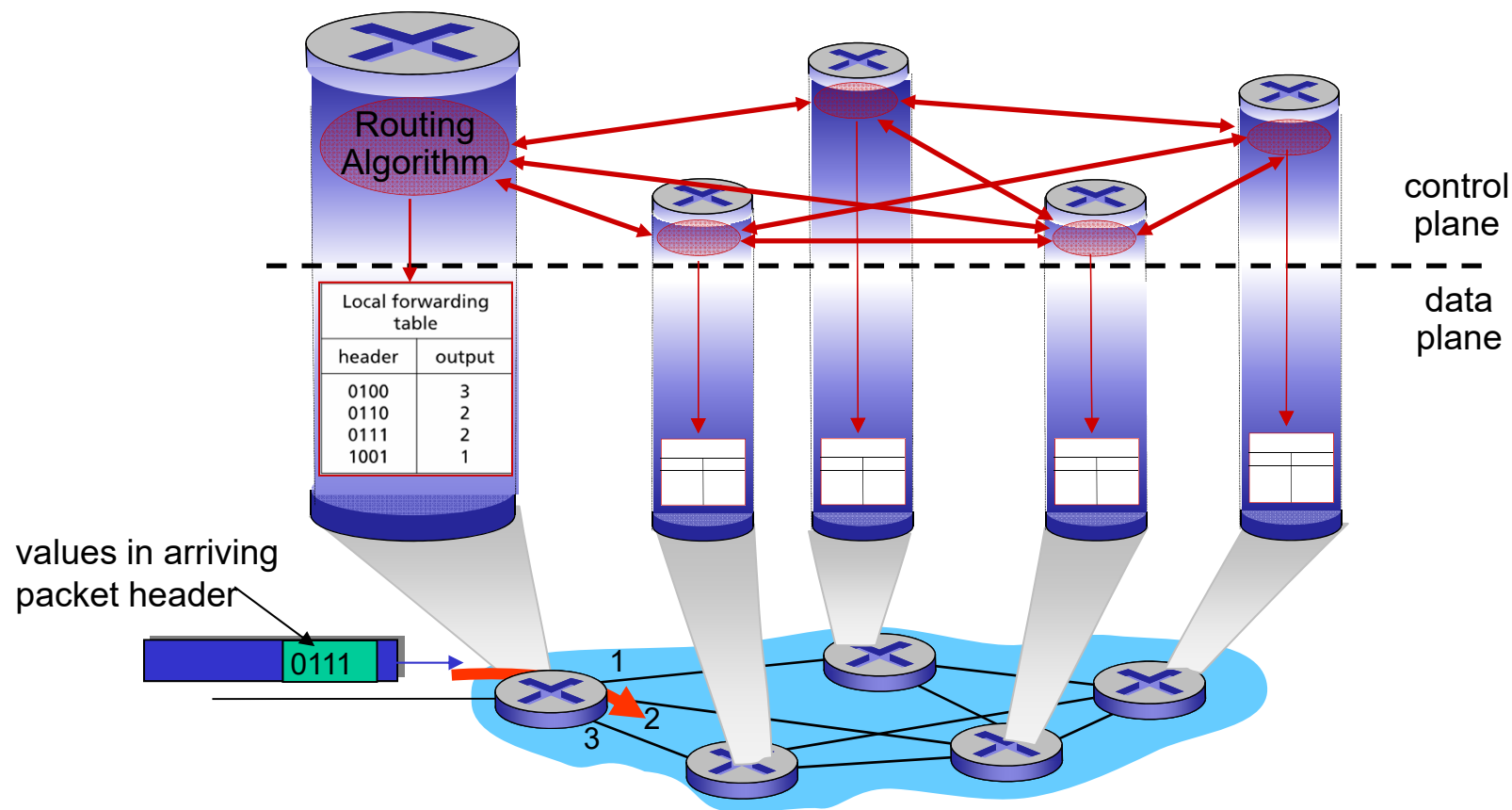


## Control plane

- ❑ **Network-wide** logic
- ❑ Determines how datagram is **routed** among routers along end-end path from source host to destination host
- ❑ Two control-plane approaches:
  - ❖ Traditional routing algorithms
    - Implemented in routers
  - ❖ Software-Defined Networking (SDN)
    - Implemented in (remote) servers

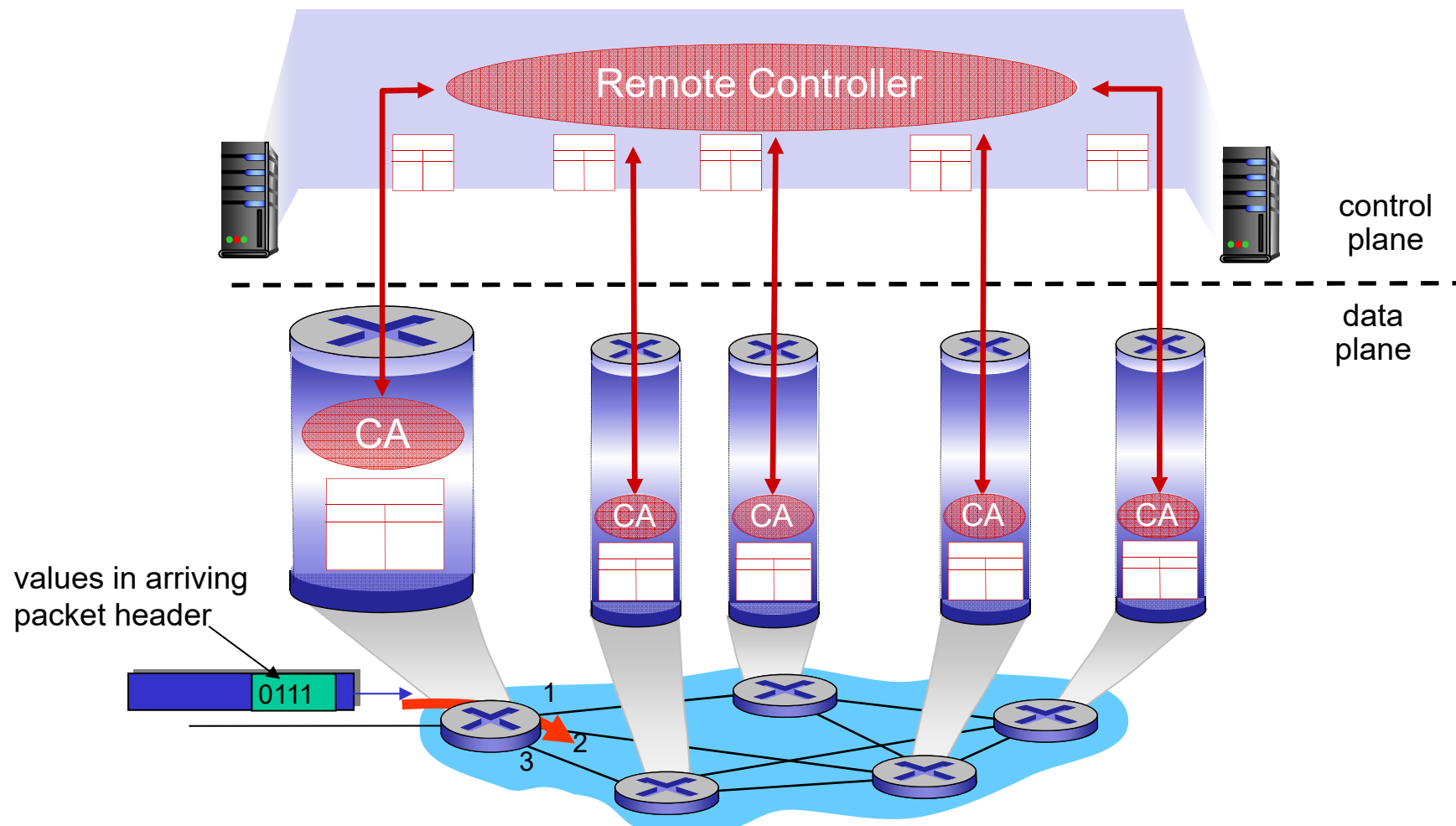
# Traditional: Per-Router Control Plane

- Individual routing algorithm components in each and every router interact in the control plane to compute forwarding tables



# SDN: Logically Centralized Control Plane

- A distinct (typically remote) controller interacts with local control agents (CAs)

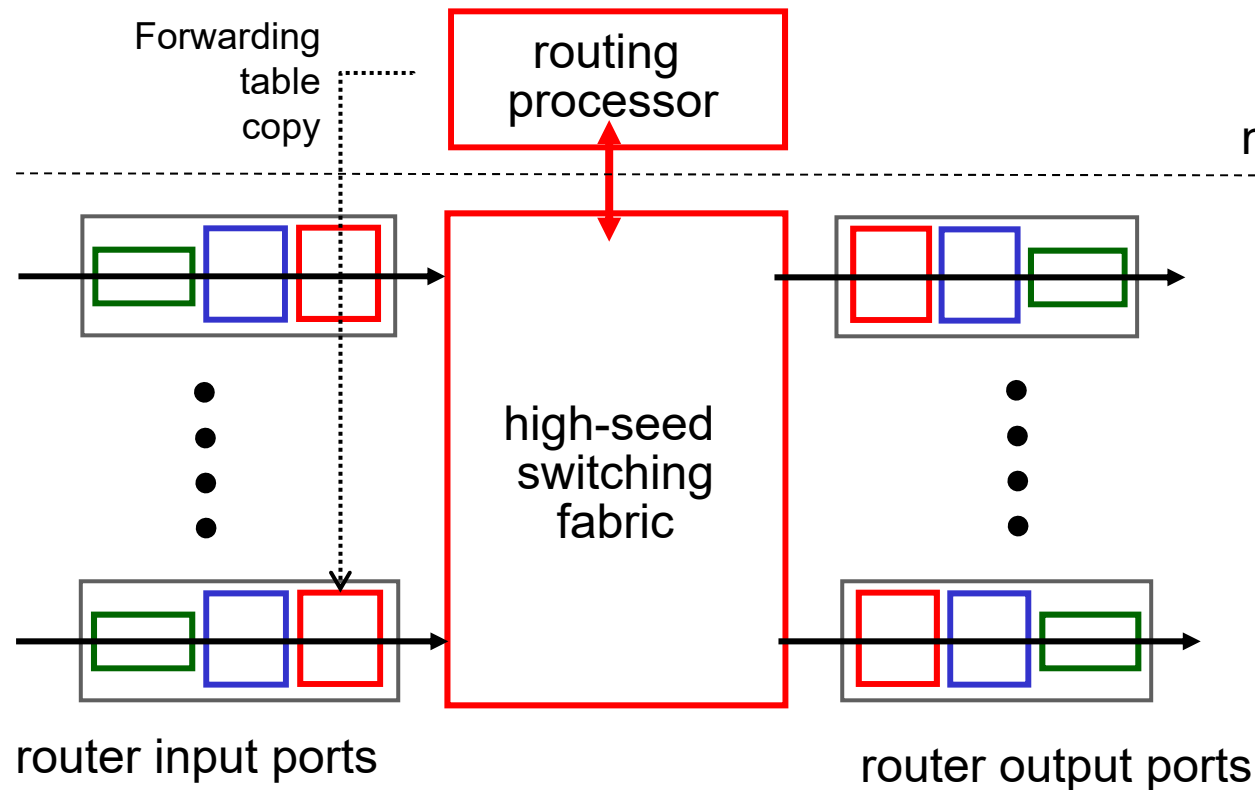


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# Router Architecture Overview

- High-level view of generic router architecture

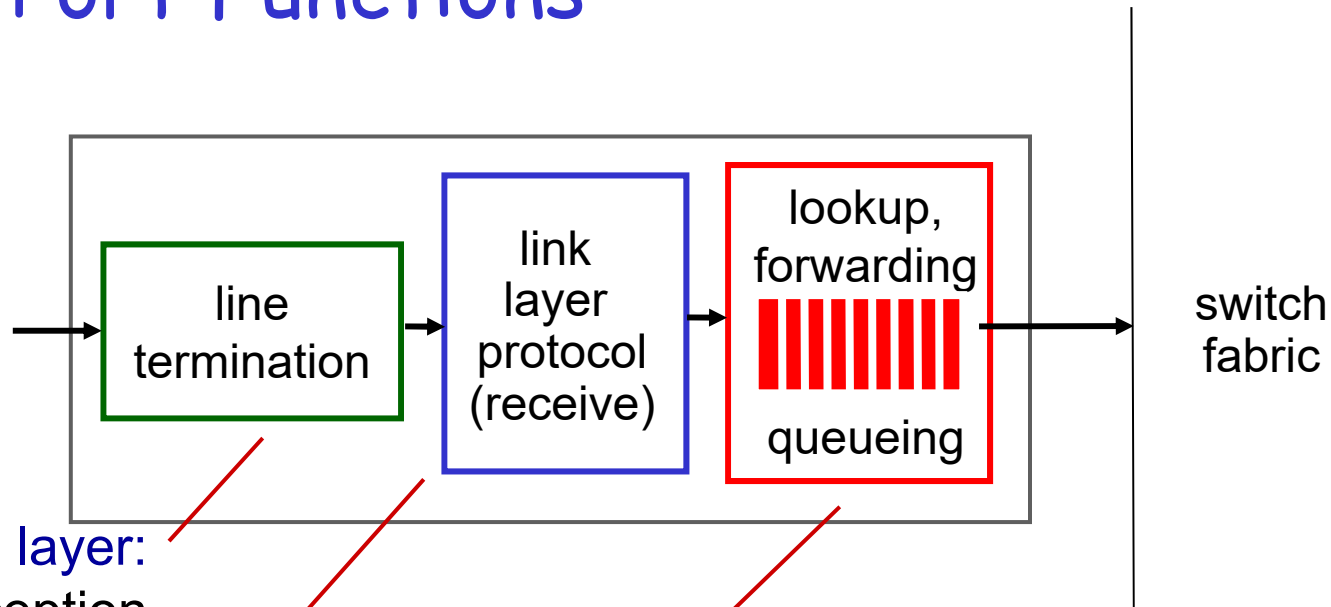


**Routing, management control plane**  
(software)  
operates in  
millisecond / seconds

**Forwarding data plane**  
(hardware)  
operates in  
nanoseconds



# Input Port Functions



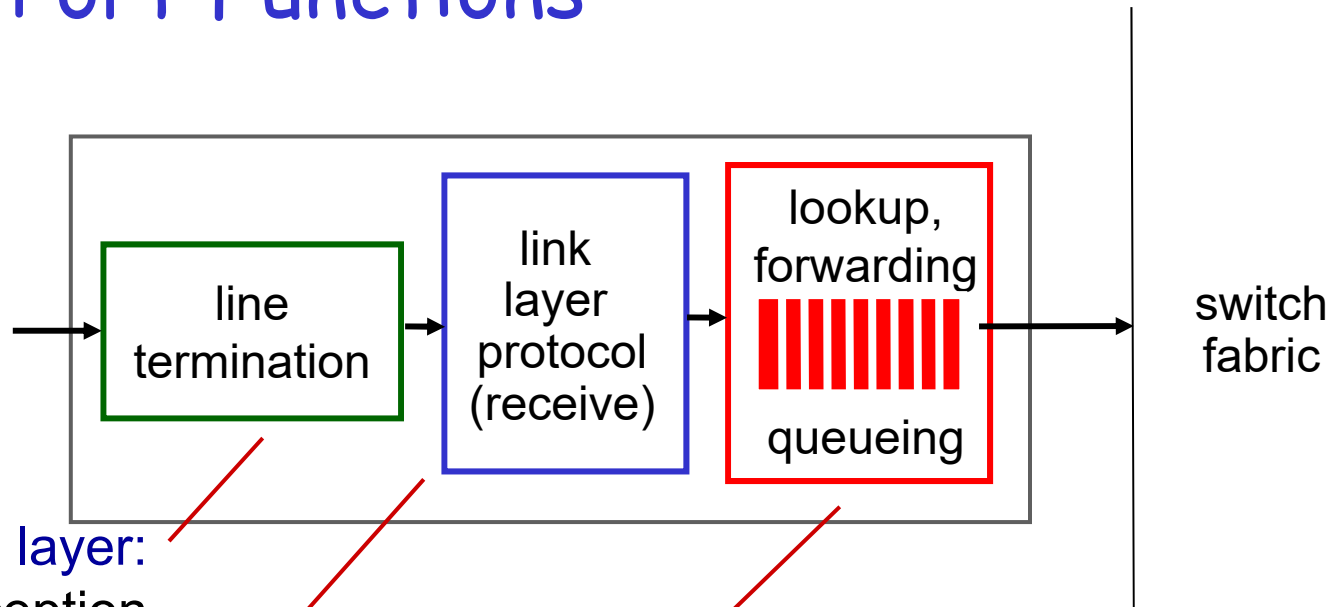
Physical layer:  
bit-level reception

Data link layer:  
e.g., Ethernet  
(Chapter 6)

Decentralized switching:

- ❑ Using header field values, lookup output port using forwarding table in input port memory (*"match plus action"*)
- ❑ Goal: complete input port processing at 'line speed'
- ❑ Queuing: if datagrams arrive faster than forwarding rate into switch fabric

# Input Port Functions



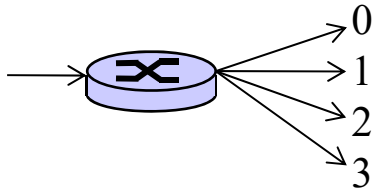
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Decentralized switching:

- ❑ Destination-based forwarding (traditional)
  - ❖ Forward based only on **destination IP address**
- ❑ Generalized forwarding (SDN)
  - ❖ Forward based on **any set of header field values**

# Datagram Forwarding Table

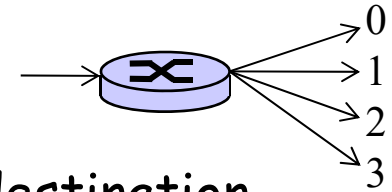


4 billion IP addresses

Rather than list individual destination addresses, list *range* of addresses (aggregate table entries)

	<u>Destination Address Range</u>	<u>Link Interface</u>
200.23.16.0 through 200.23.23.255	<div>11001000 00010111 00010000 00000000</div> <div>through</div> <div>11001000 00010111 00010111 11111111</div>	0
200.23.24.0 through 200.23.24.255	<div>11001000 00010111 00011000 00000000</div> <div>through</div> <div>11001000 00010111 00011000 11111111</div>	1
200.23.25.0 through 200.23.31.255	<div>11001000 00010111 00011001 00000000</div> <div>through</div> <div>11001000 00010111 00011001 11111111</div>	2
	Otherwise	3

# Longest Prefix Matching



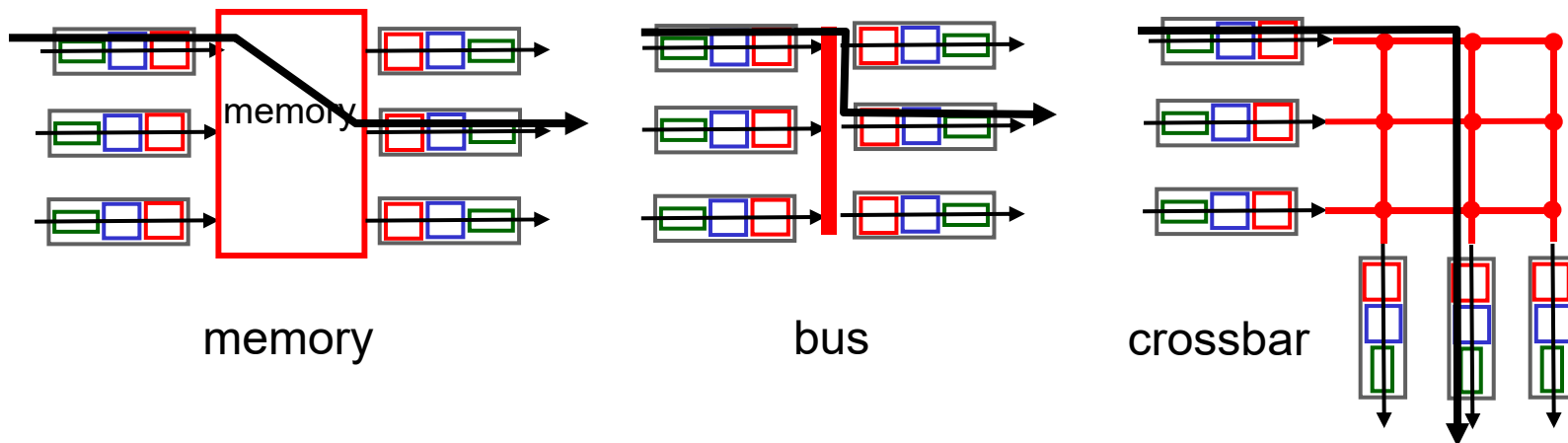
- When looking for forwarding table entry for given destination address, use **longest** address prefix that matches destination address

<u>Prefix Match</u>	<u>Link Interface</u>
11001000 00010111 00010	0
11001000 00010111 00011000	1
11001000 00010111 00011	2
Otherwise	3

- Examples: Which interface will this router send the datagram with the destination address listed?
  - ❖ 11001000 00010111 00010110 10100001
  - ❖ 11001000 00010111 00011000 10101010
  - ❖ 11001000 10010111 00011000 10101010
  - ❖ 11001000 00010111 00011010 10101010

# Switching Fabrics

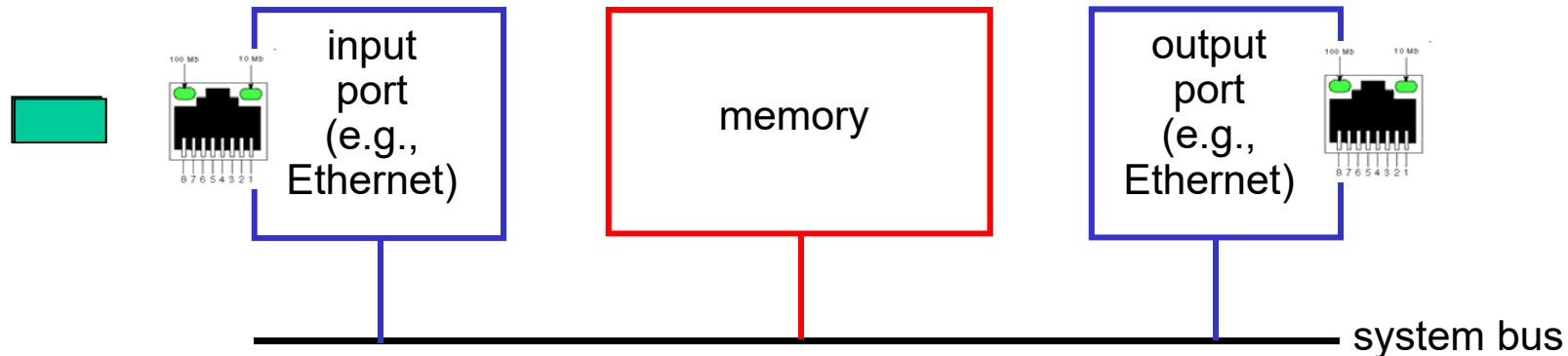
- ❑ Transfer packet from input buffer to appropriate output buffer
- ❑ Three types of switching fabrics



# Switching Via Memory (Simplest)

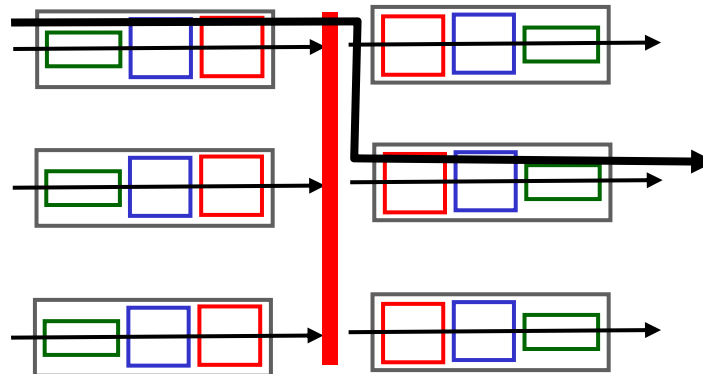
First generation routers:

- ❑ Traditional computers with switching under direct control of CPU
- ❑ Packet copied to system's memory
- ❑ Speed limited by memory bandwidth (B)
  - ❖ 2 bus crossings per datagram  $\rightarrow$  forwarding throughput =  $B/2$



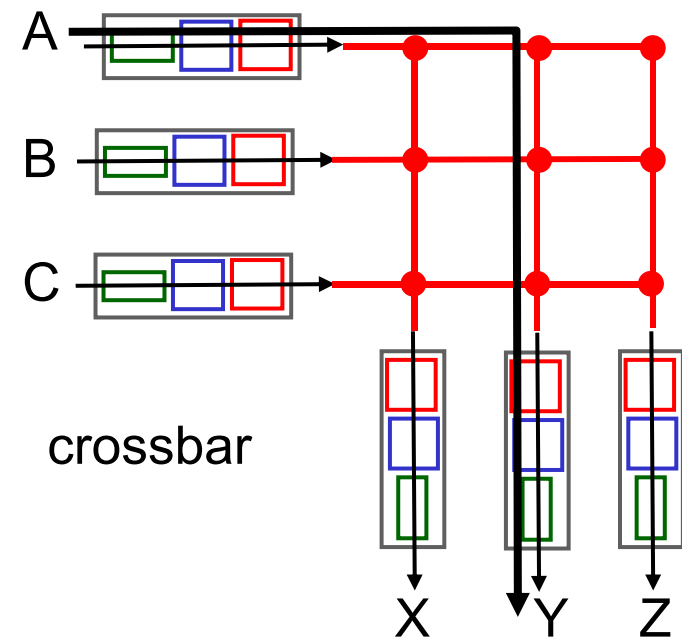
# Switching Via a Bus

- ❑ Datagram transferred input port to output port via a shared bus
  - ❖ Switch adds switch-internal header
  - ❖ All output ports receive packet but only correct port keeps it
- ❑ Only one packet crosses the bus at a time
- ❑ 32 Gbps bus, Cisco 5600: sufficient speed for access and enterprise routers (not regional or backbone)



# Switching Via a Crossbar Network

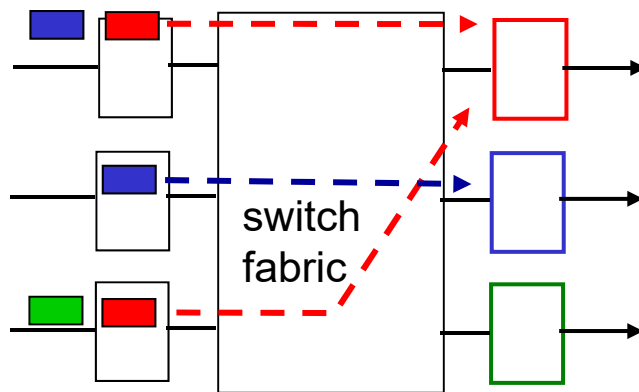
- ❑ Offers more than one bus simultaneously
- ❑ Advanced design: fragmenting datagram into fixed length cells, switch cells through the fabric
- ❑ Cisco 12000 series: switches 60 Gbps through the interconnection network



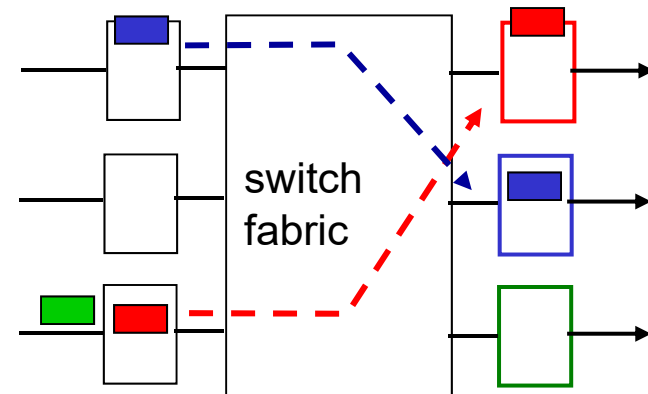


# Input Port Queuing

- If fabric slower than input ports combined → queuing may occur at input queues
  - ❖ Queuing delay and loss due to **input** buffer overflow!
- Head-of-the-Line (HOL) blocking: queued datagram at front of queue prevents others in queue from moving forward

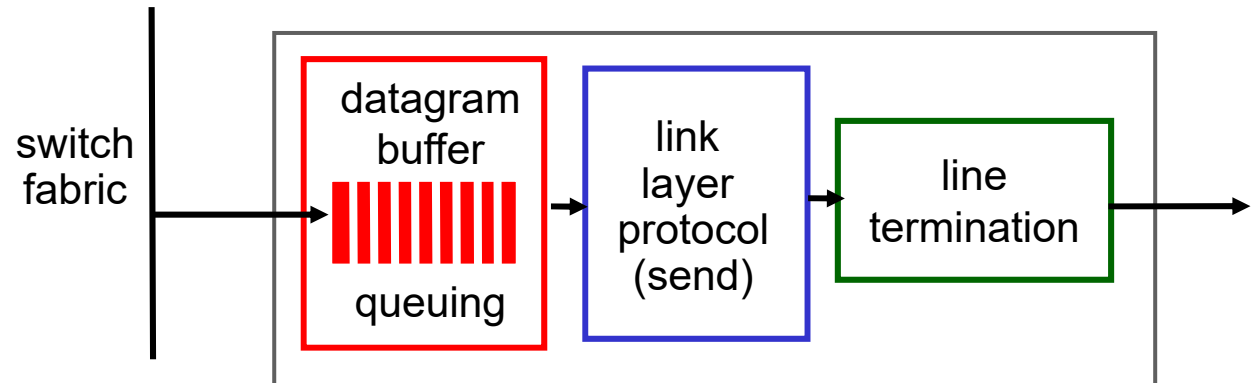


Output port contention:  
only one red datagram can be transferred.  
*lower red packet is blocked*

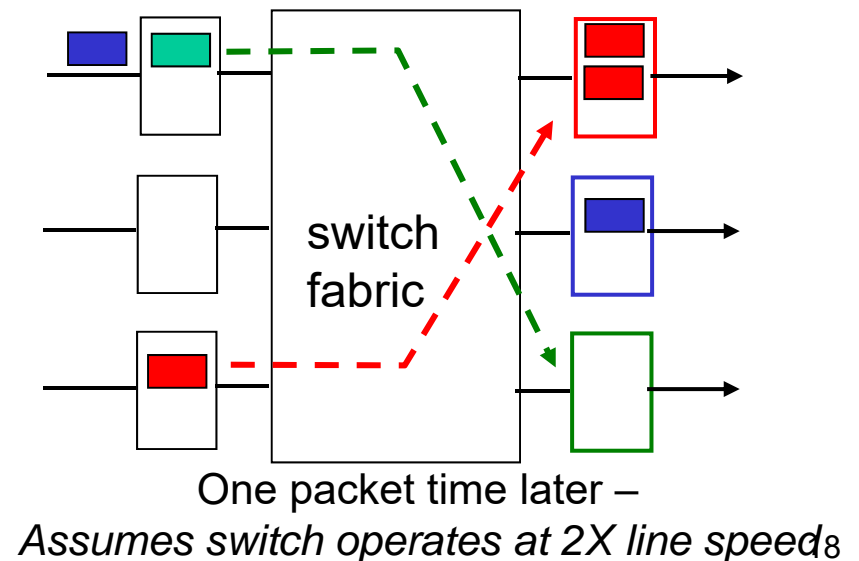
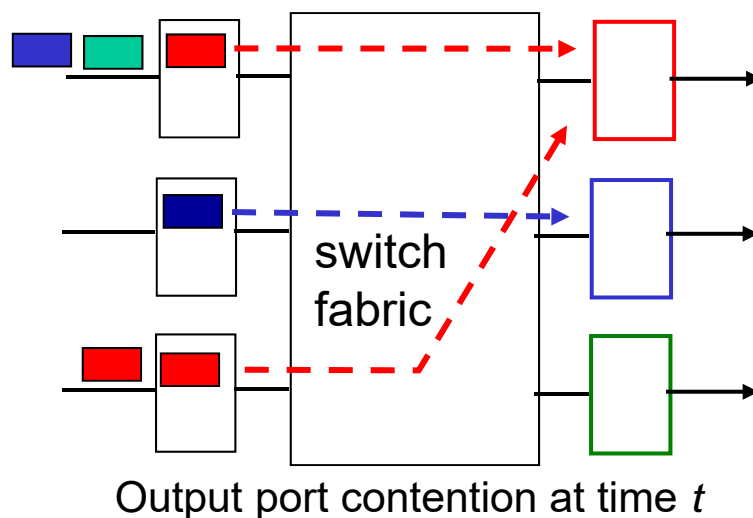


One packet time later: green packet  
experiences HOL blocking

# Output Ports



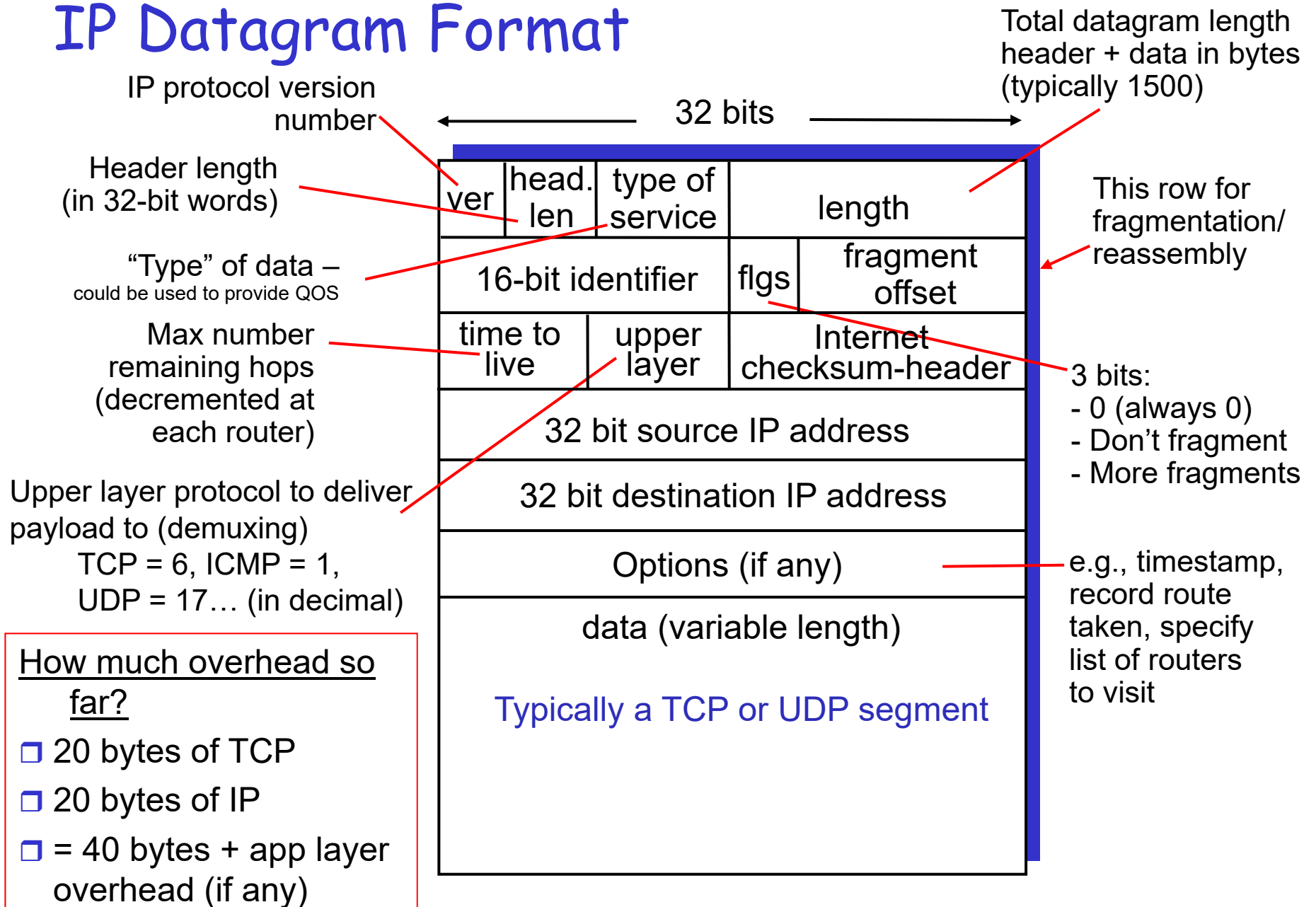
- Buffering required when datagrams arrive from switching fabric faster than the transmission rate
- Scheduling discipline chooses among queued datagrams for transmission
- Queuing (delay) and loss due to **output** port buffer overflow!



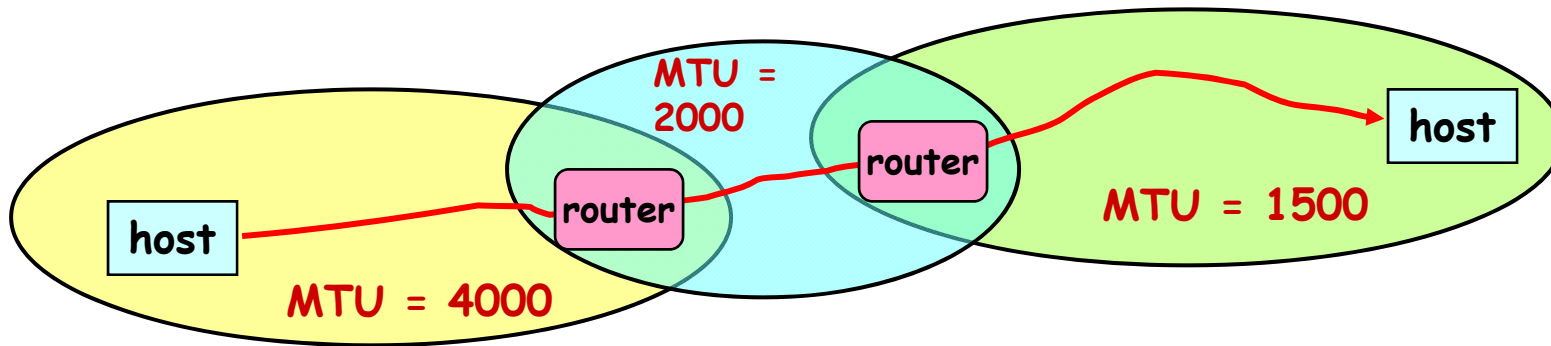
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# IP Datagram Format



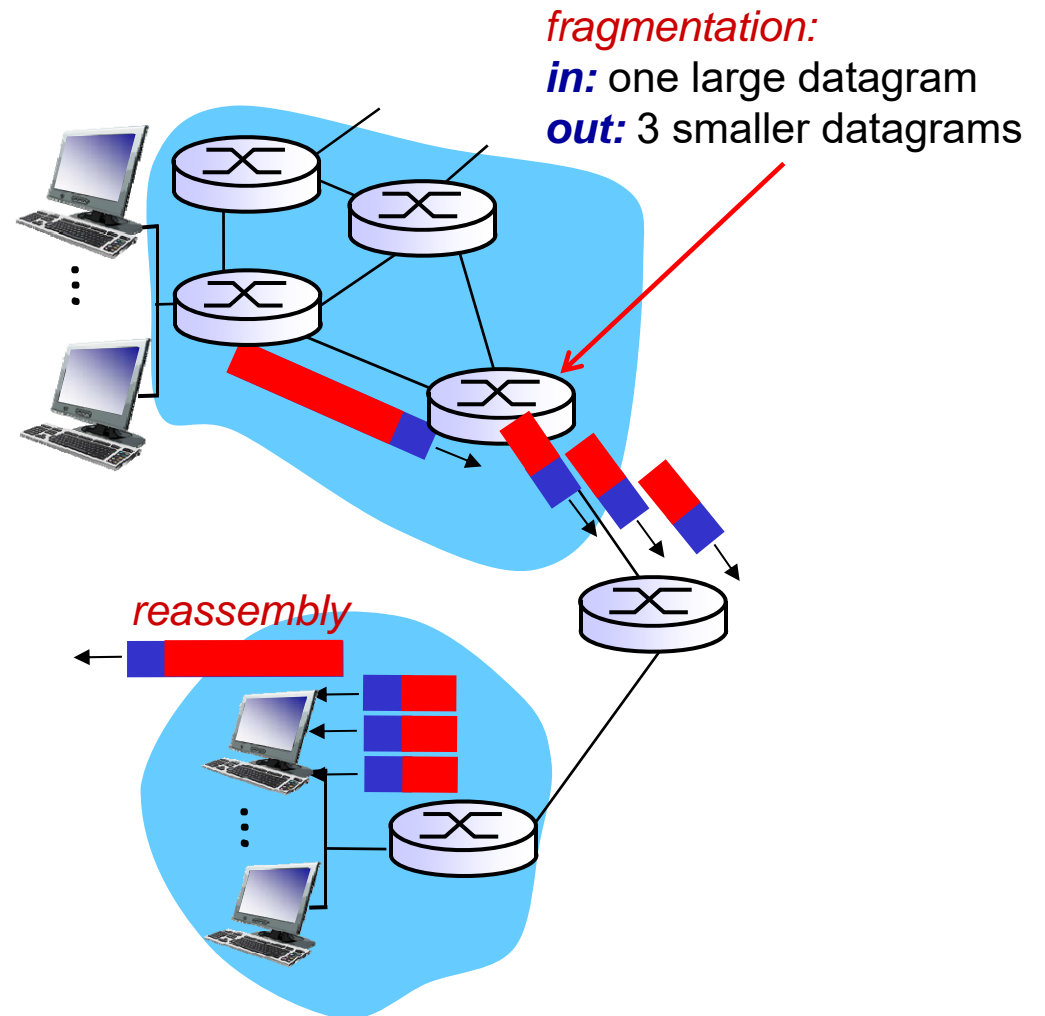
# IP Fragmentation



- ❑ Every network has own Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU)
  - ❖ Largest IP datagram it can carry within its own packet frame
    - Ethernet is 1500 bytes
  - ❖ We typically don't know MTUs of all intermediate networks in advance
- ❑ IP Solution
  - ❖ When a large datagram hits a network with a smaller MTU
    - Fragment the datagram
    - Fragmented datagram can be further fragmented as it proceeds farther

# IP Fragmentation and Reassembly

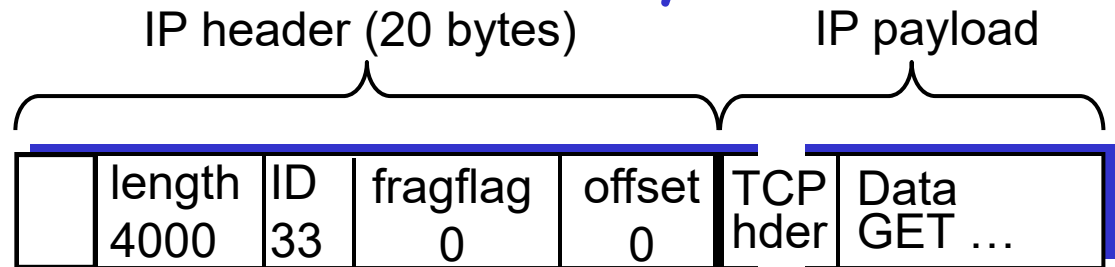
- ❑ Large IP datagram divided ("fragmented") within net
- ❑ One datagram becomes several datagrams
- ❑ "Reassembled" only at final destination
- ❑ IP header bits used to identify, order related fragments



# IP Fragmentation and Reassembly

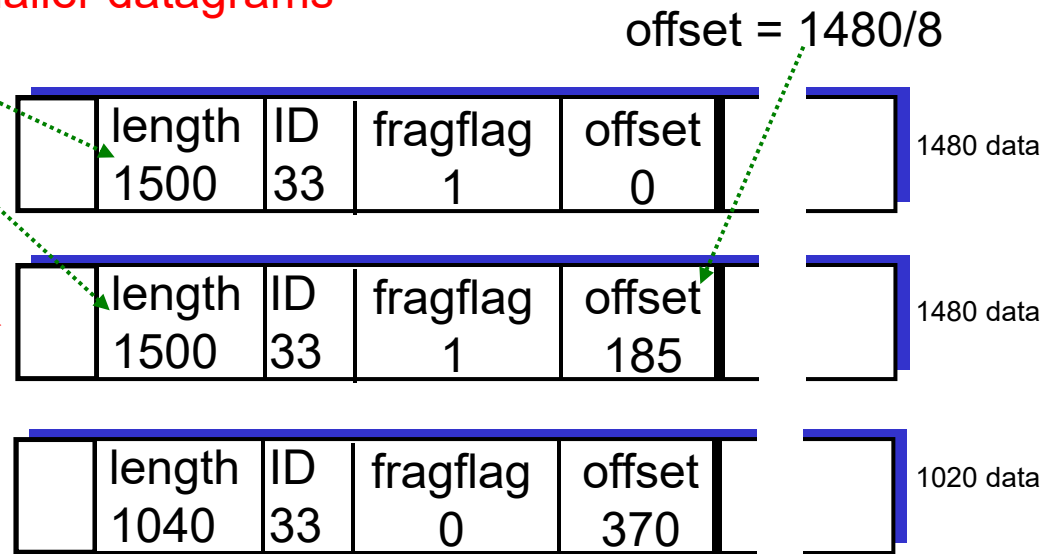
## Example

- 4000 byte datagram
  - 20 bytes header
  - 3980 payload
- MTU = 1500 bytes
- 1480 bytes in data field



One large datagram becomes three smaller datagrams

Two additional IP headers added



Total = 3980

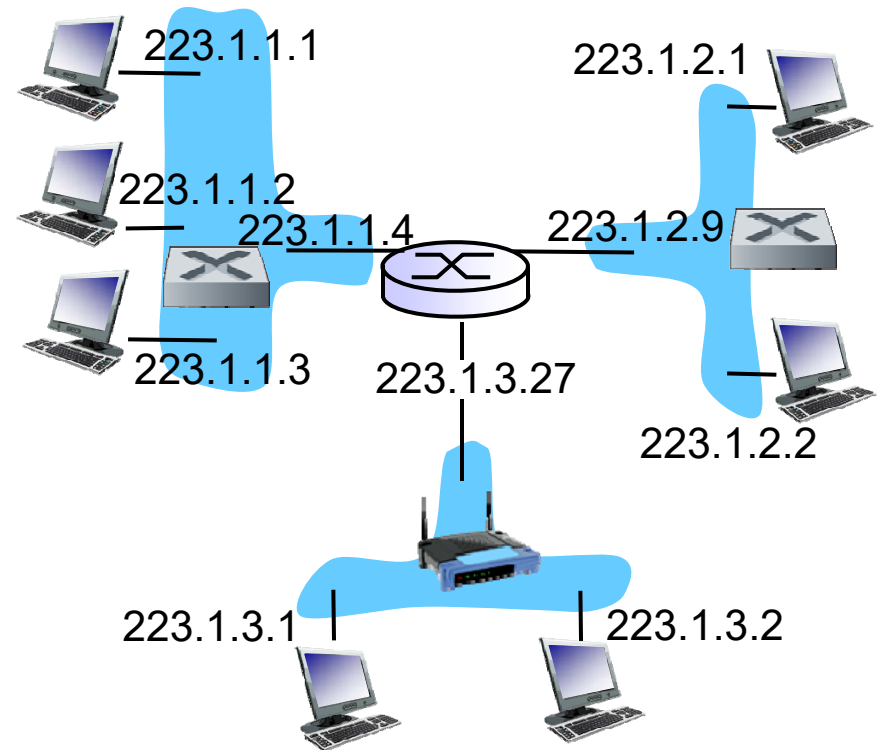
Total bytes sent = 4040

Last fragment

offset =  $2960/8$

# IP Addressing: Introduction

- ❑ IP address: 32-bit identifier for host, router interface
- ❑ Interface: connection between host/router and physical link
  - ❖ Routers typically have multiple interfaces
  - ❖ Host typically has one or two interfaces
- ❑ IP addresses associated with each interface
- ❑ Uses dotted-decimal notation



$$223.1.3.2 = \underbrace{11011111}_{223} \underbrace{00000001}_{1} \underbrace{00000011}_{3} \underbrace{00000010}_{2}$$



# Subnets

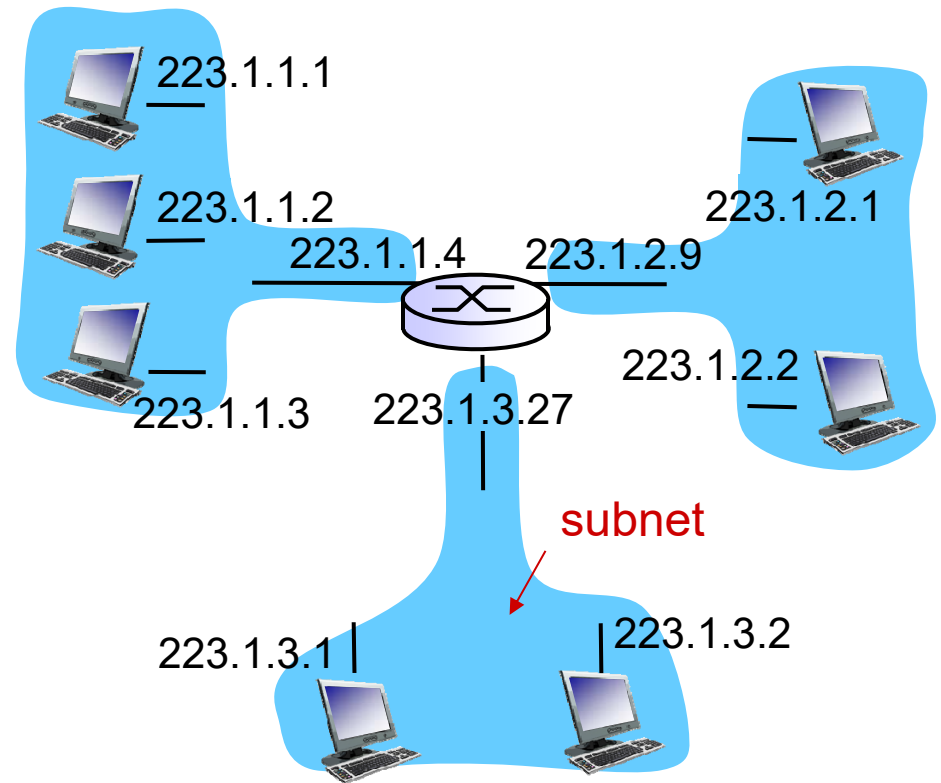
## □ IP address:

- ❖ Subnet part (high order bits)
- ❖ Host part (low order bits)

223.1.3.2  
Subnet Host

## □ What's a subnet ?

- ❖ Device interfaces with same subnet part of IP address
- ❖ Can physically reach each other without intervening router



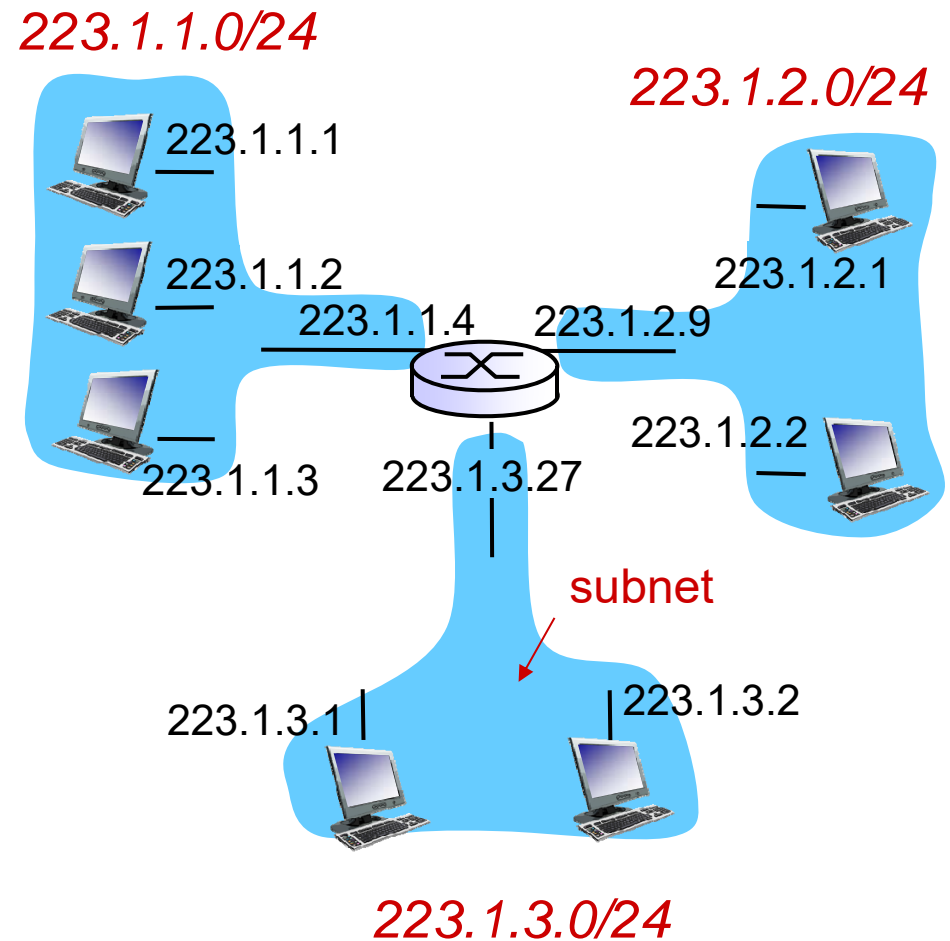
Network consisting of 3 subnets

# Subnets

## Recipe

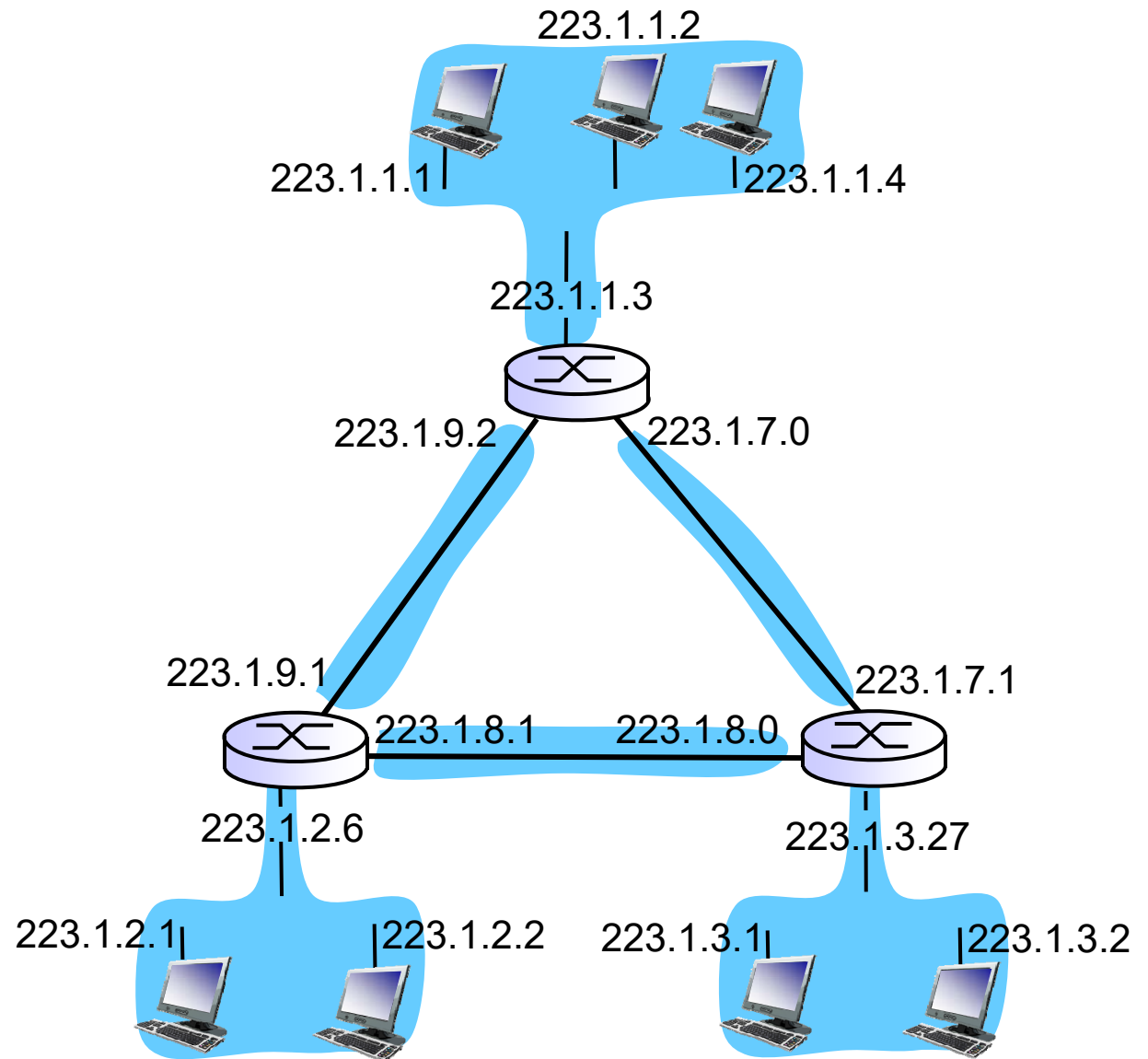
- ❑ To determine the subnets, detach each interface from its host or router, creating islands of isolated networks
- ❑ Each isolated network is called a subnet

Subnet mask:  
/24  
255.255.255.0



# Subnets

How many?



# Classful Addressing (A Bit<sup>😊</sup> of History)

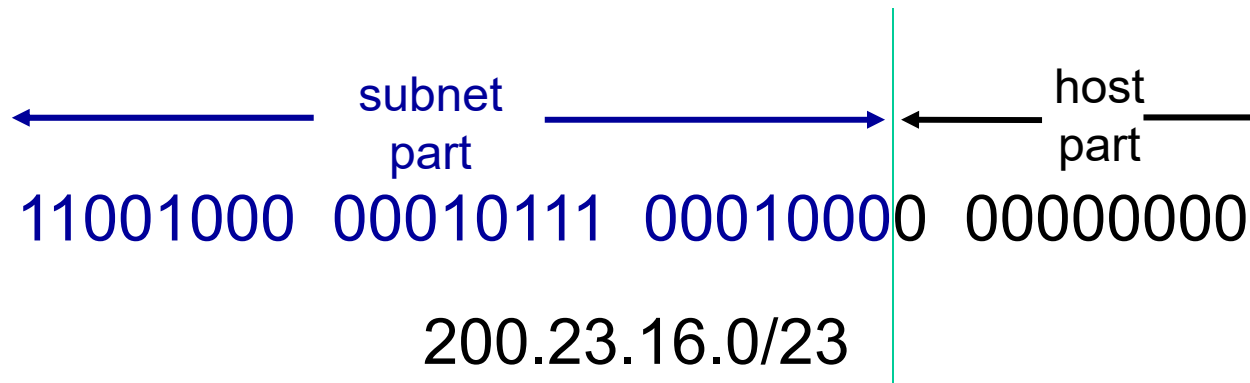
- ❑ Hierarchical 32-bit addresses identify a connection to a network:
  - ❖ Network (site)
  - ❖ Host
- ❑ Five forms of IP addresses:

1 <sup>st</sup> Octet		0	1	2	3	4	8	16	24	31				
0 - 127	<i>Class A</i>	0	netid				hostid					16M hosts		
128 - 191	<i>Class B</i>	1	0	netid				hostid					65K hosts	
192 - 223	<i>Class C</i>	1	1	0	netid				hostid					256 hosts
224 - 239	<i>Class D</i>	1	1	1	0	multicast address								
240 - 247	<i>Class E</i>	1	1	1	1	0	reserved for future use							

# IP Addressing: CIDR

## CIDR: Classless InterDomain Routing

- ❖ Subnet portion of address of arbitrary length
- ❖ Address format: **a.b.c.d/x**
  - where x is # bits in subnet portion of address
  - x is often called the prefix



# Special IP Addresses

- In general, all 1's means "any" and all 0's mean "this"
- Directed broadcast
  - ❖ Network (or subnet) + all 1's hostid
  - ❖ 129.92.102.255
- Limited broadcast: all 1's (network and hostid) = 255.255.255.255
  - ❖ Used when an IP node must perform a one-to-everyone delivery on the **local** network but the network ID is unknown
  - ❖ Router will not forward

# Special IP Addresses

- ❑ 127.0.0.1 is local loopback - technically defined as 127.0.0.0/8
- ❑ 0.0.0.0 is default route - network ID and host ID are both 0
  - ❖ "This" host on "this" network - typically same as loopback
- ❑ All host bits = 0 (e.g., 129.92.102.0), typically the **network** address
  - ❖ Rarely see this address in use
- ❑ Router interfaces typically end in x.x.x.1 or x.x.x.254

# IP Addresses: How to Get One?

Q: How does the network get subnet part of IP addr?

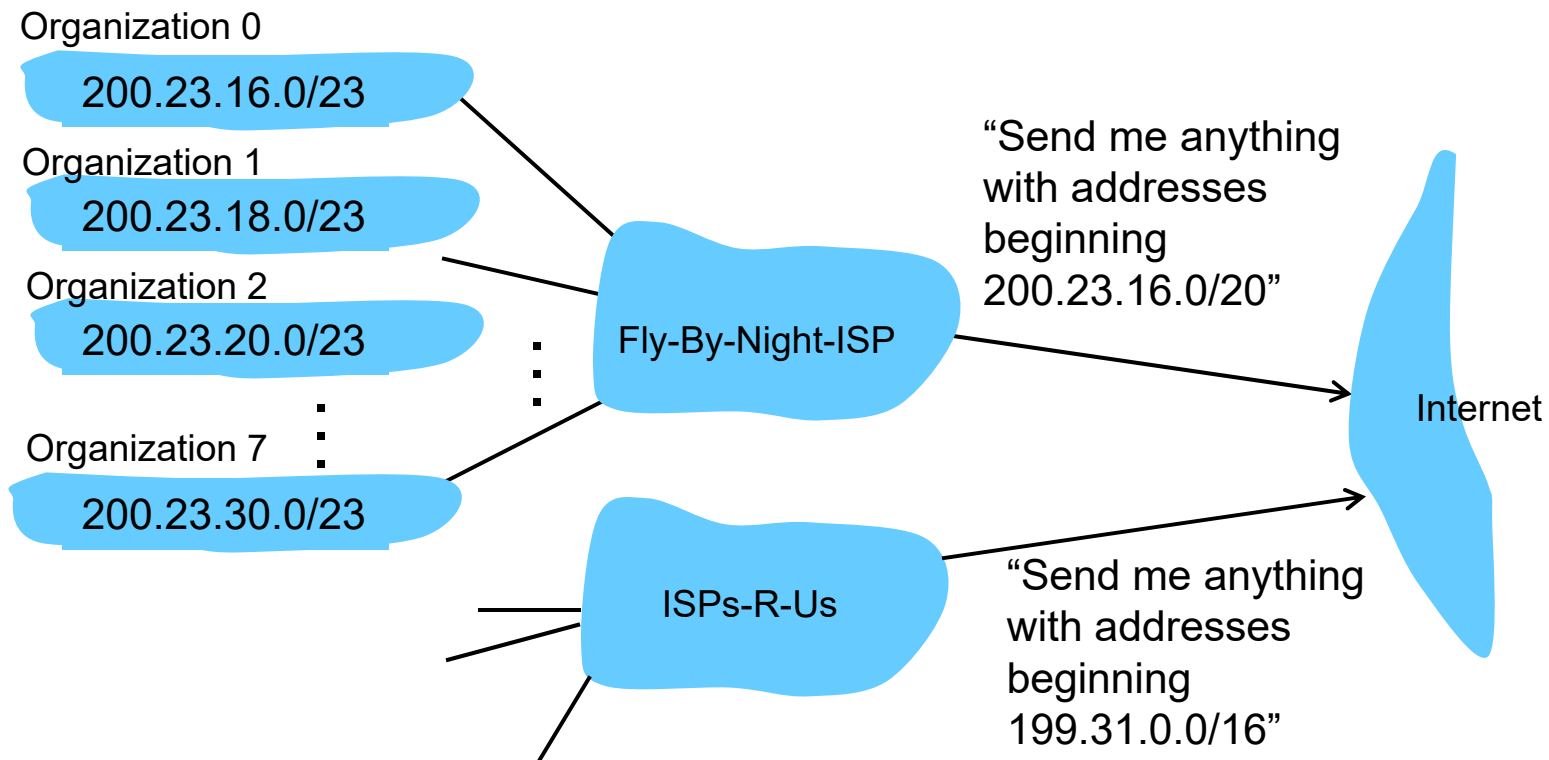
A: Gets allocated a portion of its ISP's address space

ISP's block	<u>11001000 00010111 00010000</u>	00000000	200.23.16.0/20
Organization 0	<u>11001000 00010111 00010000</u>	00000000	200.23.16.0/23
Organization 1	<u>11001000 00010111 00010010</u>	00000000	200.23.18.0/23
Organization 2	<u>11001000 00010111 00010100</u>	00000000	200.23.20.0/23
Organization 3	<u>11001000 00010111 00010110</u>	00000000	200.23.22.0/23
...	.....	....	....
Organization 7	<u>11001000 00010111 00011110</u>	00000000	200.23.30.0/23



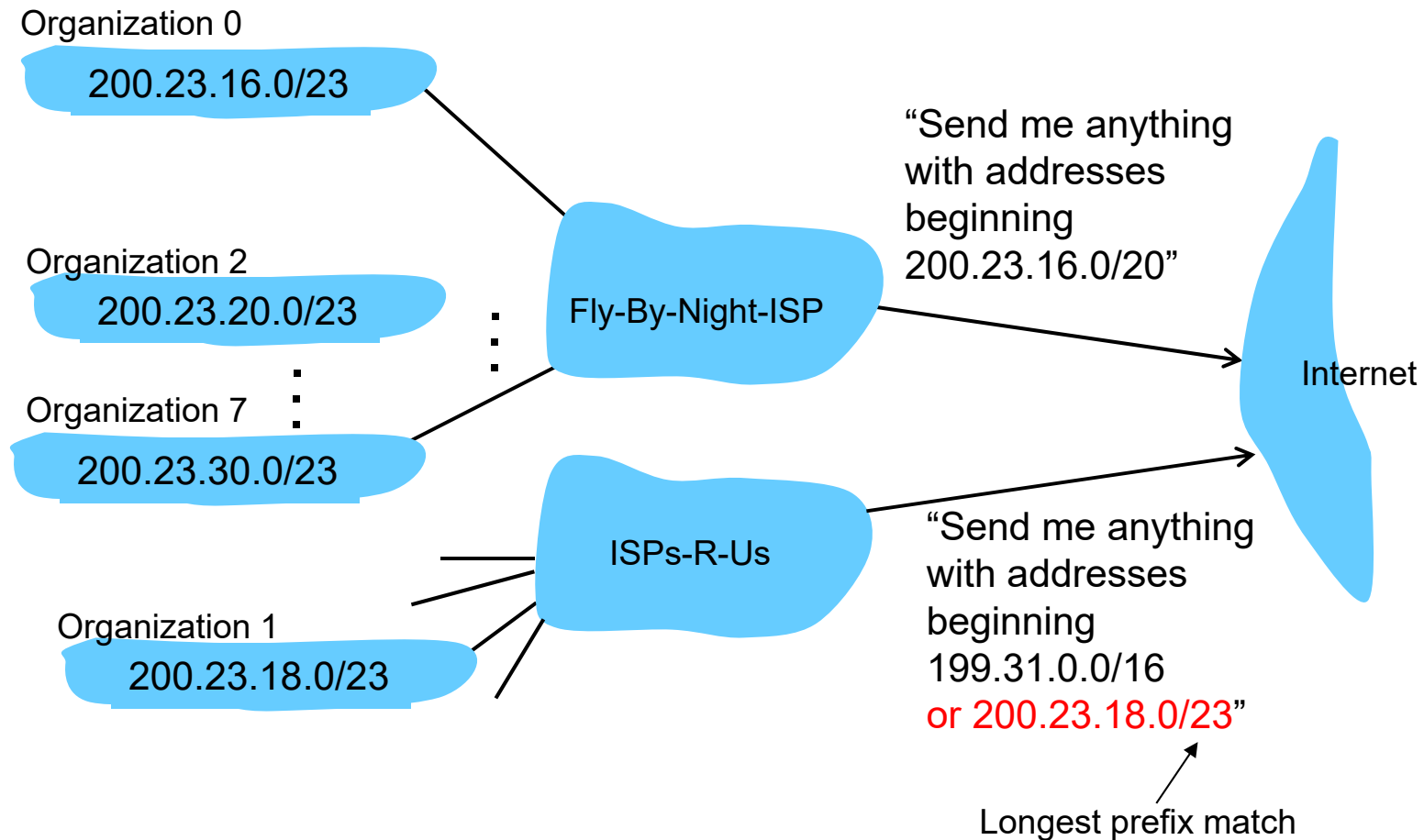
# Hierarchical Addressing: Route Aggregation

Hierarchical addressing allows efficient advertisement of routing information:



# Hierarchical Addressing: More Specific Routes

What if Fly-By-Night acquires ISPs-R-Us and moves Org 1 there?  
ISPs-R-Us has a more specific route to Organization 1



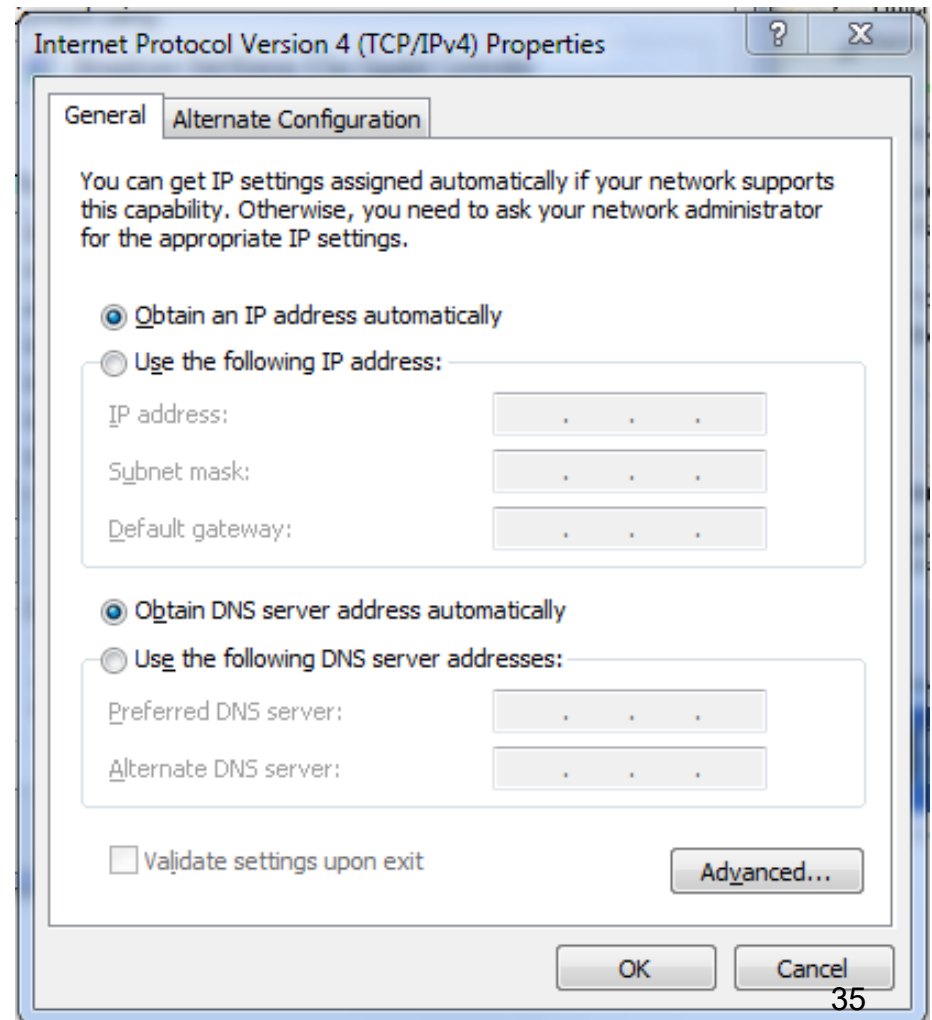
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- ❑ Q: How does the **host** get an IP address?
- ❑ Hardcoded by system admin in a file or via a GUI

- ❖ Windows 7:
- ❖ Control Panel
- ❖ Network
- ❖ Change adapter settings
- ❖ Select interface
- ❖ Properties
- ❖ TCP/IPv4
- ❖ Properties

- ❖ UNIX: `/etc/rc.config`

- ❑ OR...

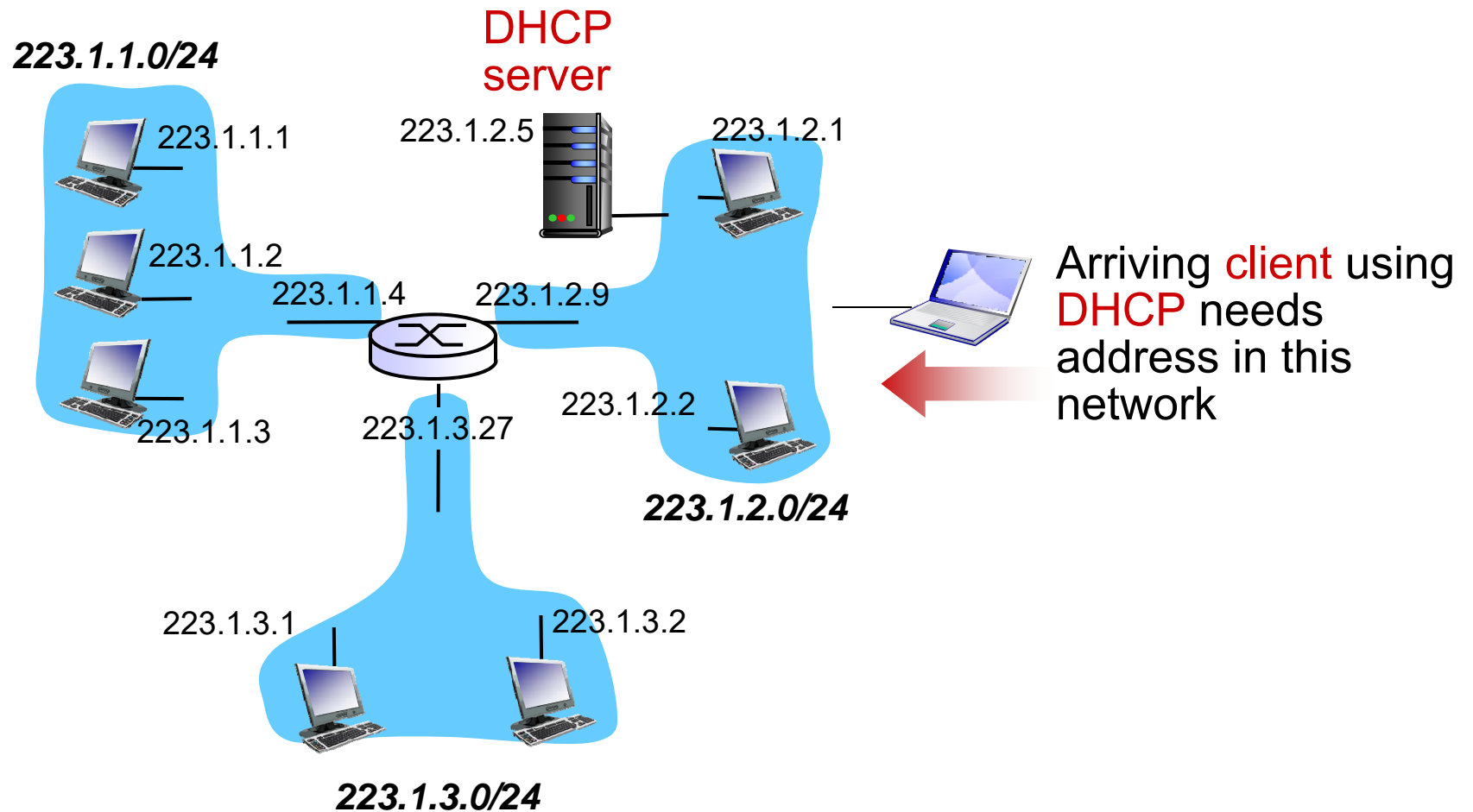


# DHCP:

## Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

- ❑ Allows host to dynamically obtain its IP address from DHCP server when it joins the network
- ❑ DHCP server maintains a pool of IP addresses that are assigned on a temporary basis
  - ❖ Allows reuse of addresses
    - Only hold address while connected and "on"
  - ❖ Issues a lease on an IP address for a period of time
    - Host can renew its lease on address in use
- ❑ DHCP also provides
  - ❖ Subnet mask
  - ❖ Default gateway address
  - ❖ DNS server name and address
- ❑ "plug-and-play"
- ❑ Check out your own computer → `ipconfig /all`
- ❑ Support for mobile users who want to join network

# DHCP Client-server Scenario



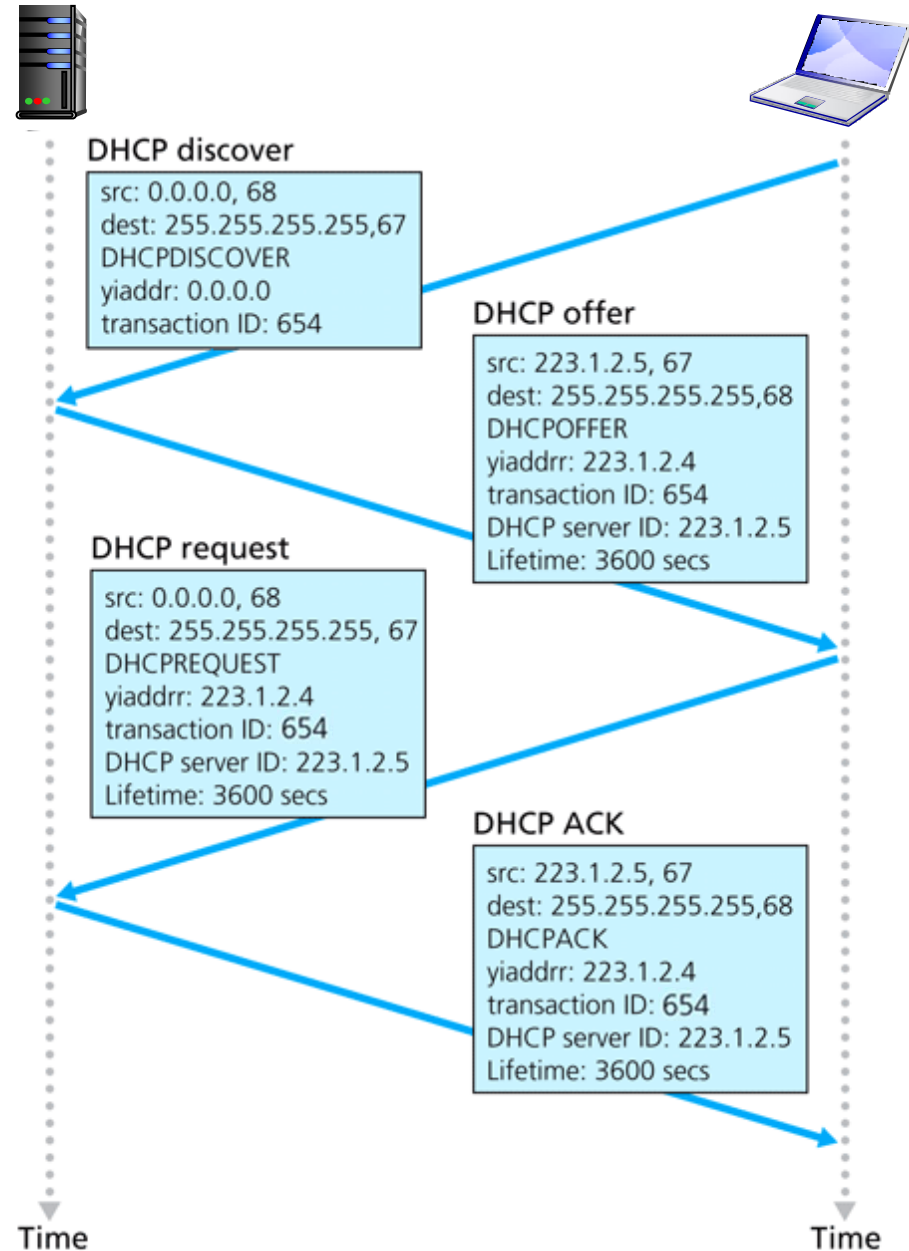
# DHCP Scenario

- ❑ Client-server protocol
- ❑ DHCP server
  - ❖ listens on UDP 67
  - ❖ sends out to UDP 68
- ❑ DORA
- ❑ When half the lease time expires, the client broadcasts another DHCPREQUEST asking for a renewal

yiaddr: your internet address

DHCP server: 223.1.2.5

Arriving client



# IP Addressing: The Last Word...

Q: How does an ISP get block of addresses?

A: **ICANN**: Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

- ❖ Non-profit private corp performing IANA functions under contract with Department of Commerce
- ❖ Coordinates IANA functions which include
  - Allocates addresses to regional Internet registries
    - Internet registries handle allocation within their region
  - Manages DNS root servers
  - Assigns domain names, resolves disputes
  - Uses RFC 2050 - Internet Registry IP Allocation Guidelines

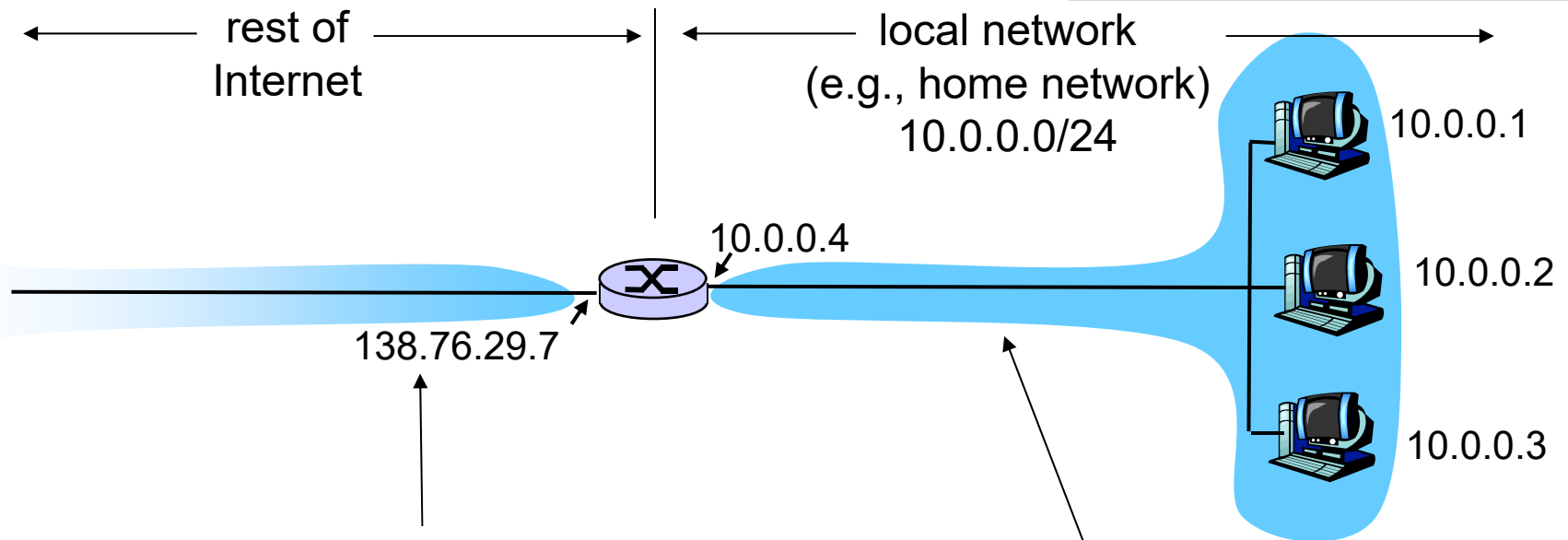
❑ Fun fact

- ❖ The founder of Blackhat and DEFCON (Jeff Moss aka "Dark Tangent") is the chief security officer of ICANN

# NAT: Network Address Translation

## Private IP Addresses

10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255  
172.16.0.0 - 172.31.255.255  
192.168.0.0 - 192.168.255.255



- *All* datagrams *leaving* local network have *same* source NAT IP address: 138.76.29.7 *different* source port numbers
- NAT-enabled router looks like a single device with one IP address

Datagrams in this network have 10.0.0.0/24 address for source, destination (as usual)



# NAT Motivation

- ❑ Local network uses just one IP address as far as outside world is concerned:
  - ❖ No need to allocate range of addresses from ISP
    - One IP address is used for all devices
- ❑ Can change addresses of devices in local network without notifying outside world
- ❑ Can change ISP without changing addresses of devices in local network
- ❑ Devices inside local net not explicitly addressable
  - ❖ Not visible by outside world (a security plus!)

# NAT Implementation

## □ NAT router must:

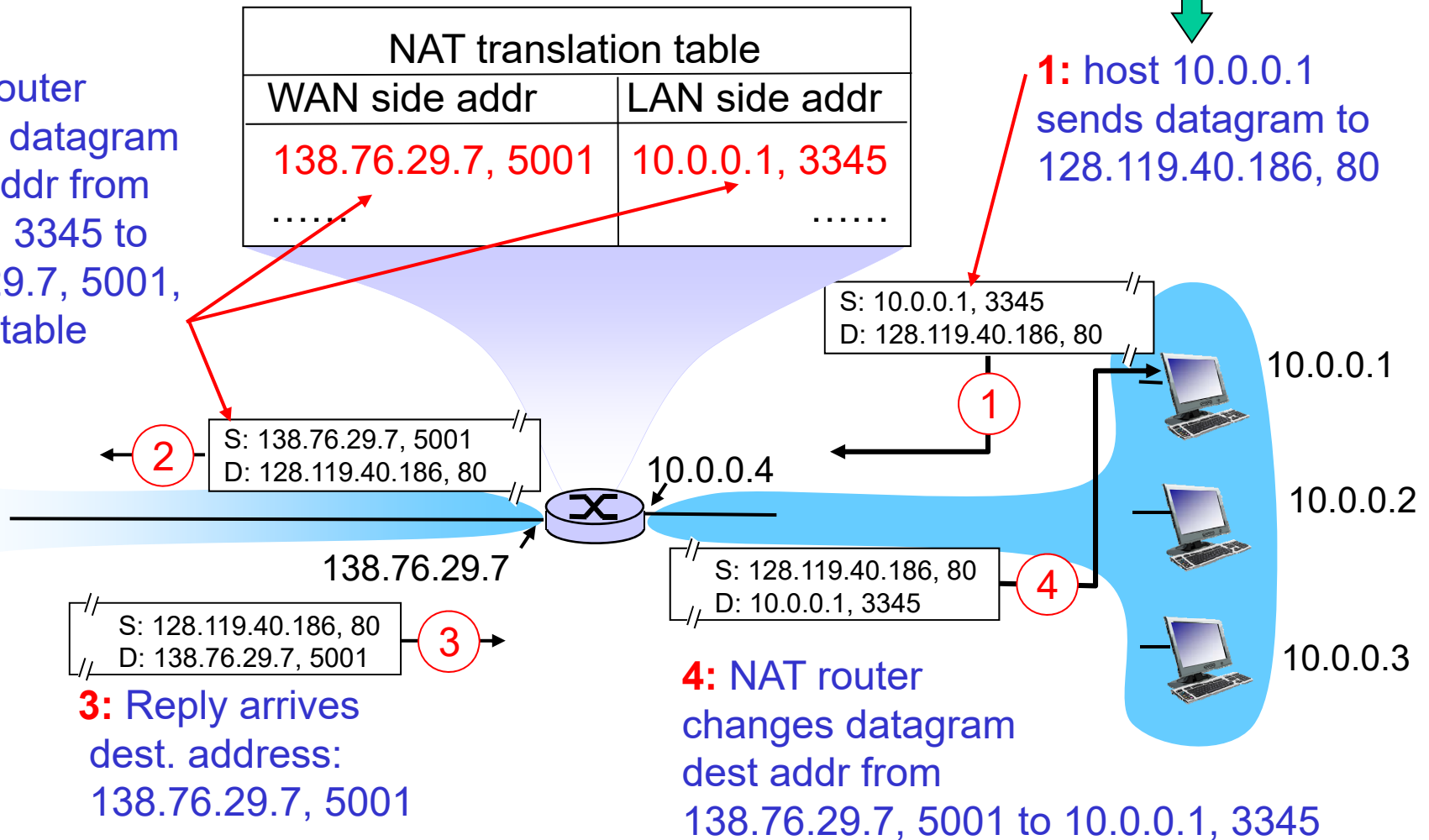
- ❖ **Outgoing datagrams: replace** (source IP address, port #) of every outgoing datagram with (NAT IP address, new port #)
  - Remote clients/servers will respond using (NAT IP address, new port #) as destination address
- ❖ **Remember** (in NAT translation table) every (source IP address, port #) to (NAT IP address, new port #) translation pair
- ❖ **Incoming datagrams: replace** (NAT IP address, new port #) in dest fields of every incoming datagram with corresponding (source IP address, port #) stored in NAT table

# NAT: Network Address Translation

Visit [www.whatsmyip.org/](http://www.whatsmyip.org/) from any 10.0.0.0 computer; you'll see 138.76.29.7

**2:** NAT router changes datagram source addr from 10.0.0.1, 3345 to 138.76.29.7, 5001, updates table

**1:** host 10.0.0.1 sends datagram to 128.119.40.186, 80



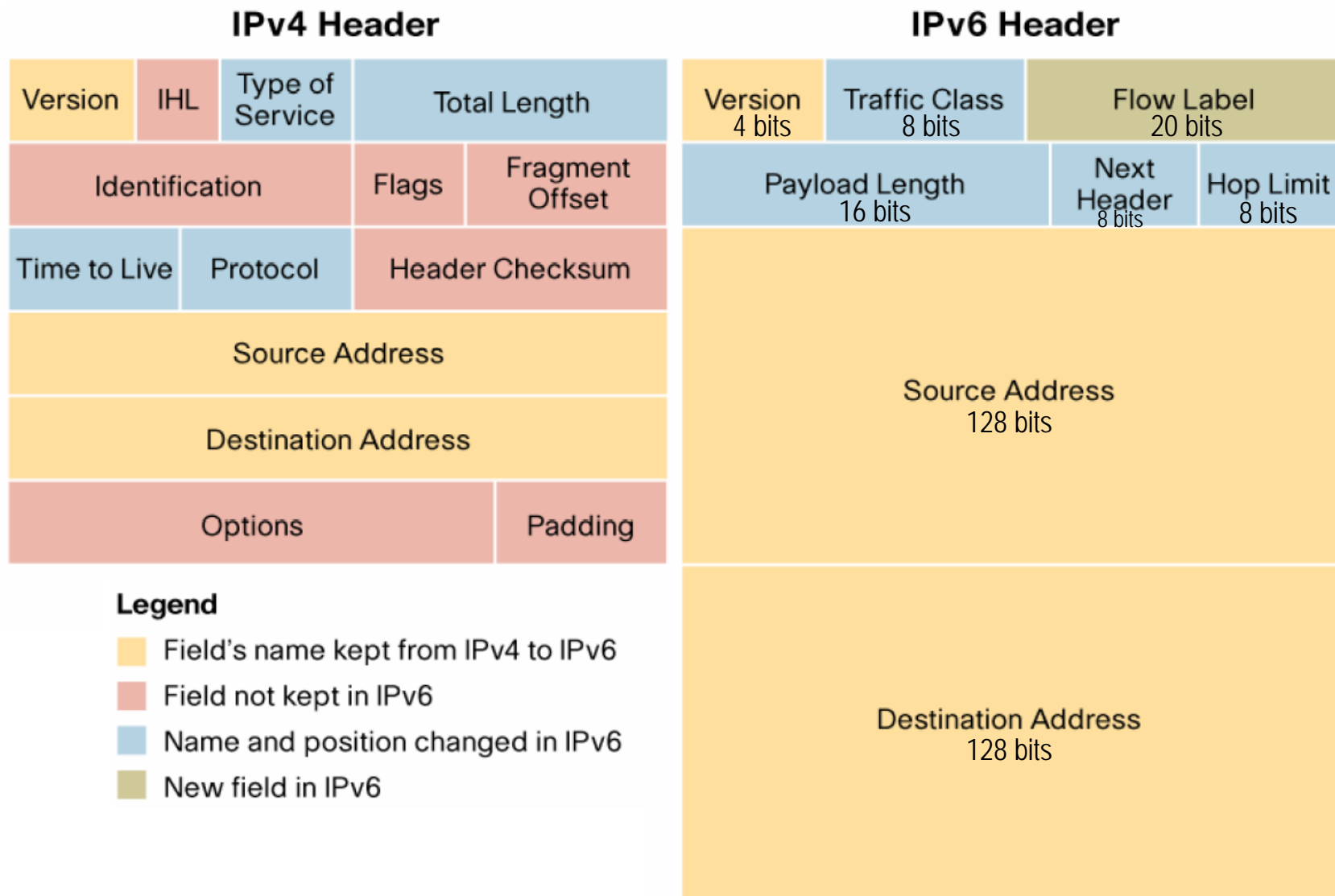
# NAT: Network Address Translation

- 16-bit port-number field:
  - ❖ Over 64,000 simultaneous connections with a single LAN-side address!
- NAT is controversial:
  - ❖ Servers may be looking for well-known port numbers which could be changed during NAT translation
  - ❖ Routers should only process up to layer 3
    - Changing port #s is processing layer 4 information
  - ❖ NAT possibility must be taken into account by app designers, e.g., P2P applications
  - ❖ Address shortage should instead be solved by IPv6 ...

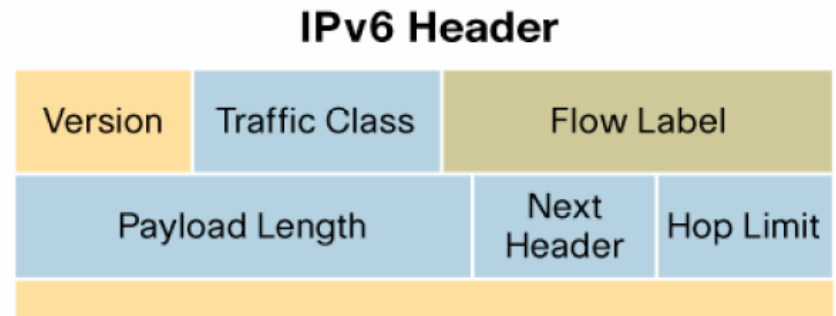
# IPv6

- ❑ **Initial motivation:** 32-bit address space depleted as of 3 Feb 11
  - ❖ <https://www.nro.net/news/ipv4-free-pool-depleted>
- ❑ IPv6 is designed to take an evolutionary step from IPv4
  - ❖ Downward compatible
  - ❖ Functions which worked in IPv4 were kept
  - ❖ Functions that didn't work were eliminated
- ❑ Additional motivation:
  - ❖ Header format helps speed processing/forwarding
  - ❖ Header changes to facilitate QoS

# IPv6 Fixed-length 40-byte Header



# IPv6 Header



- ❑ **Version:** 6
- ❑ **Traffic Class** (Priority): identify priority of datagrams in flow (concept of "flow" not well defined)
- ❑ **Flow Label:** identify datagrams in same "flow"
- ❑ **Payload Length:** size of the payload in octets, including any extension headers
- ❑ **Next header:** identify upper layer protocol for data or the next options header
  - ❖ Options are available but outside of header
    - 8 Extension Headers
- ❑ **Hop Limit:** replaces TTL

# Other Changes From IPv4

- ❑ **Checksum** removed entirely to reduce processing time at each hop
- ❑ **Fragmentation** not allowed within routers
  - ❖ Must fragment at source
  - ❖ Packets are dropped if too big
    - **ICMPv6**: new version of ICMP
      - Additional message types, e.g., "Packet Too Big"
- ❑ **IPv6 address** → 128 bits
  - ❖ 8 16-bit integers (each integer represented by 4 hex digits)
  - ❖ Dotted decimal unwieldy:  
105.220.136.100.255.255.255.255.0.0.18.128.140.10.255.255
  - ❖ Colon hex → 69DC:8864:FFFF:FFFF:0:1280:8C0A:FFFF



# Other Changes From IPv4

640K ought to be enough for anybody.

□ What does **128-bit addressing** imply?

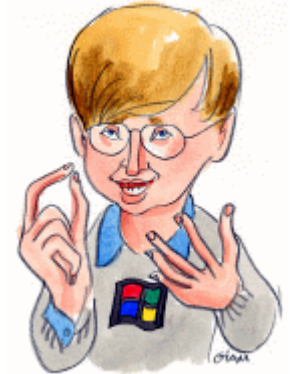
❖ Never run out of addresses?

❖ IPv4 allows for only 4,294,967,296 unique addresses worldwide

- Less than one address per person alive
- Nov 2018 → I'm using 26 for my family alone
  - 5 cell phones, 3 smart TVs, 5 PCs
  - 4 DVD players, 1 Wii, 1 Xbox, 7 security cameras

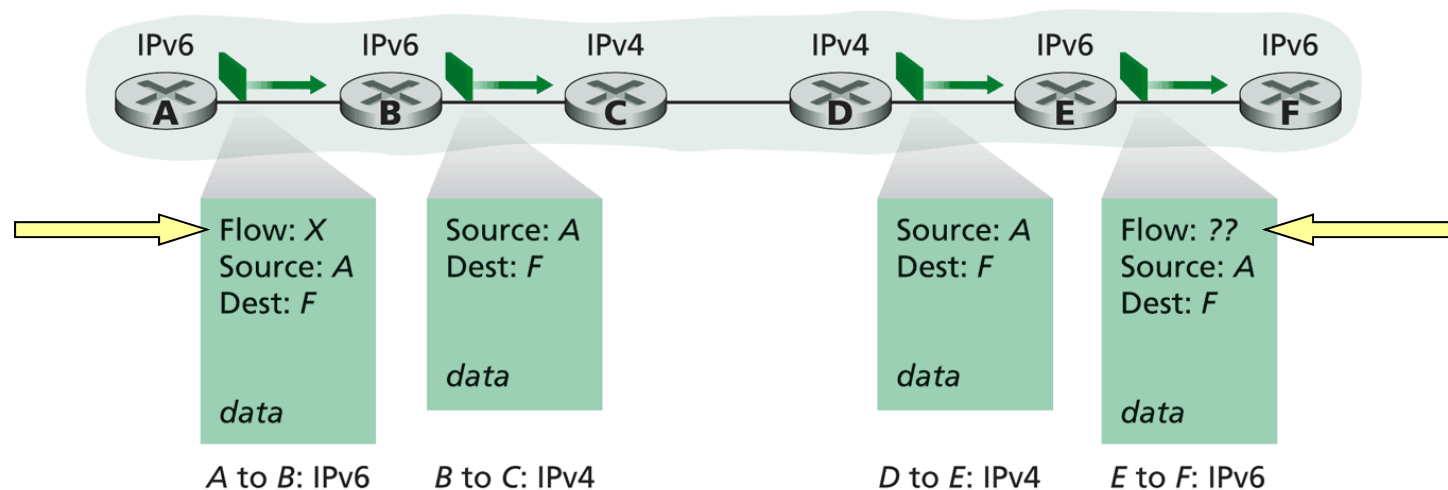
❖ IPv6 allows for around  $2^{128}$  or approx  $3.4 \times 10^{38}$  addresses

- That's about  $4.4 \times 10^{27}$  addresses per person (7.6 billion)
- That equates to  $667 \times 10^{21}$  addresses per square meter of the surface of the Earth!!!! (510.1 trillion  $\text{m}^2$ )

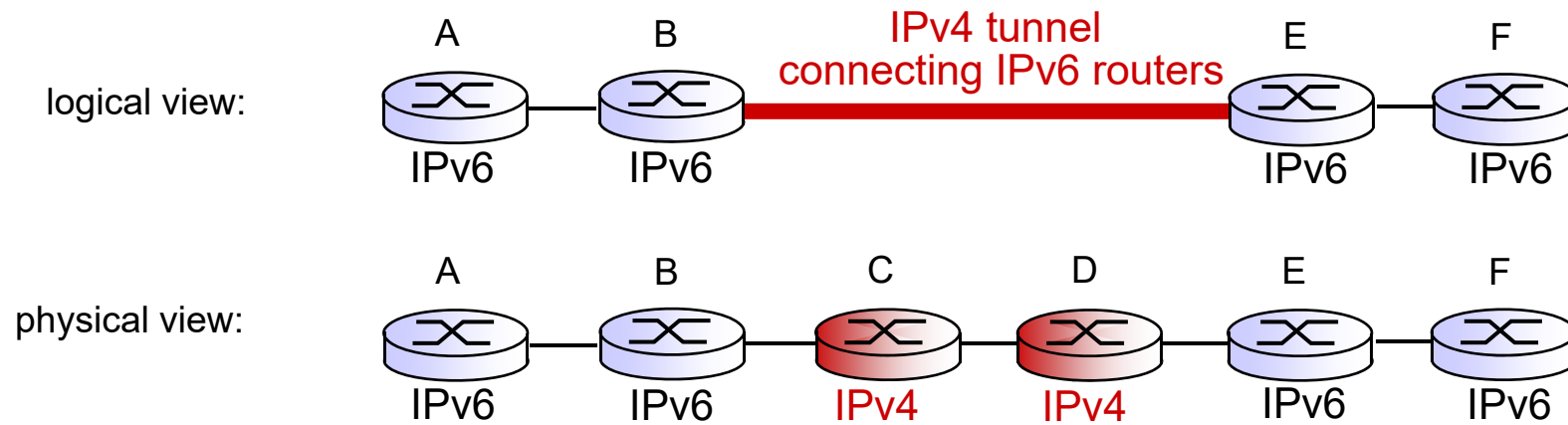


# Transition From IPv4 To IPv6

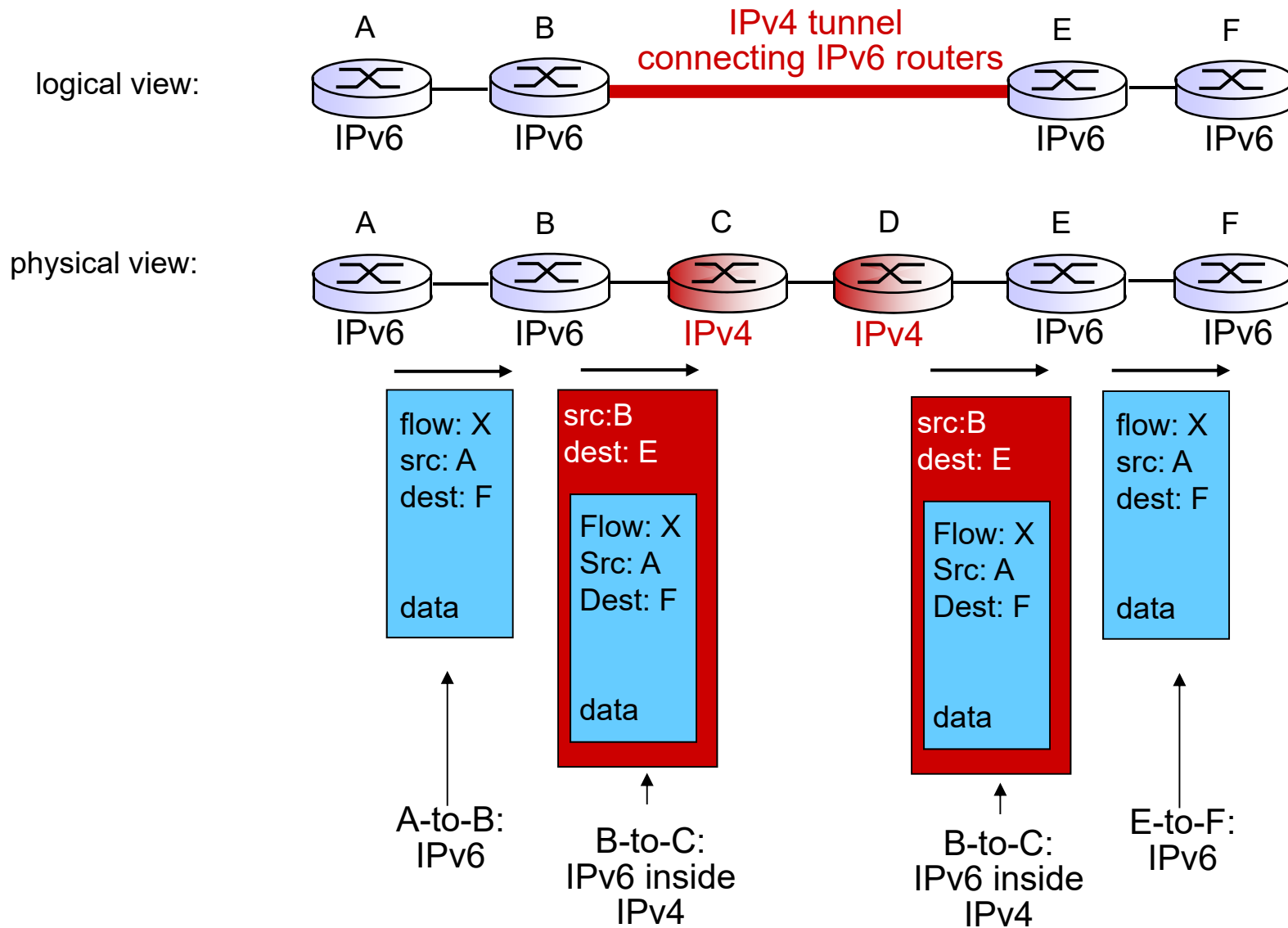
- Not all routers can be upgraded simultaneously
  - ❖ How will the network operate with mixed IPv4 / IPv6 routers?
- Could run a dual-stack on each host
  - ❖ Some IPv6 header information could be lost



# Tunneling



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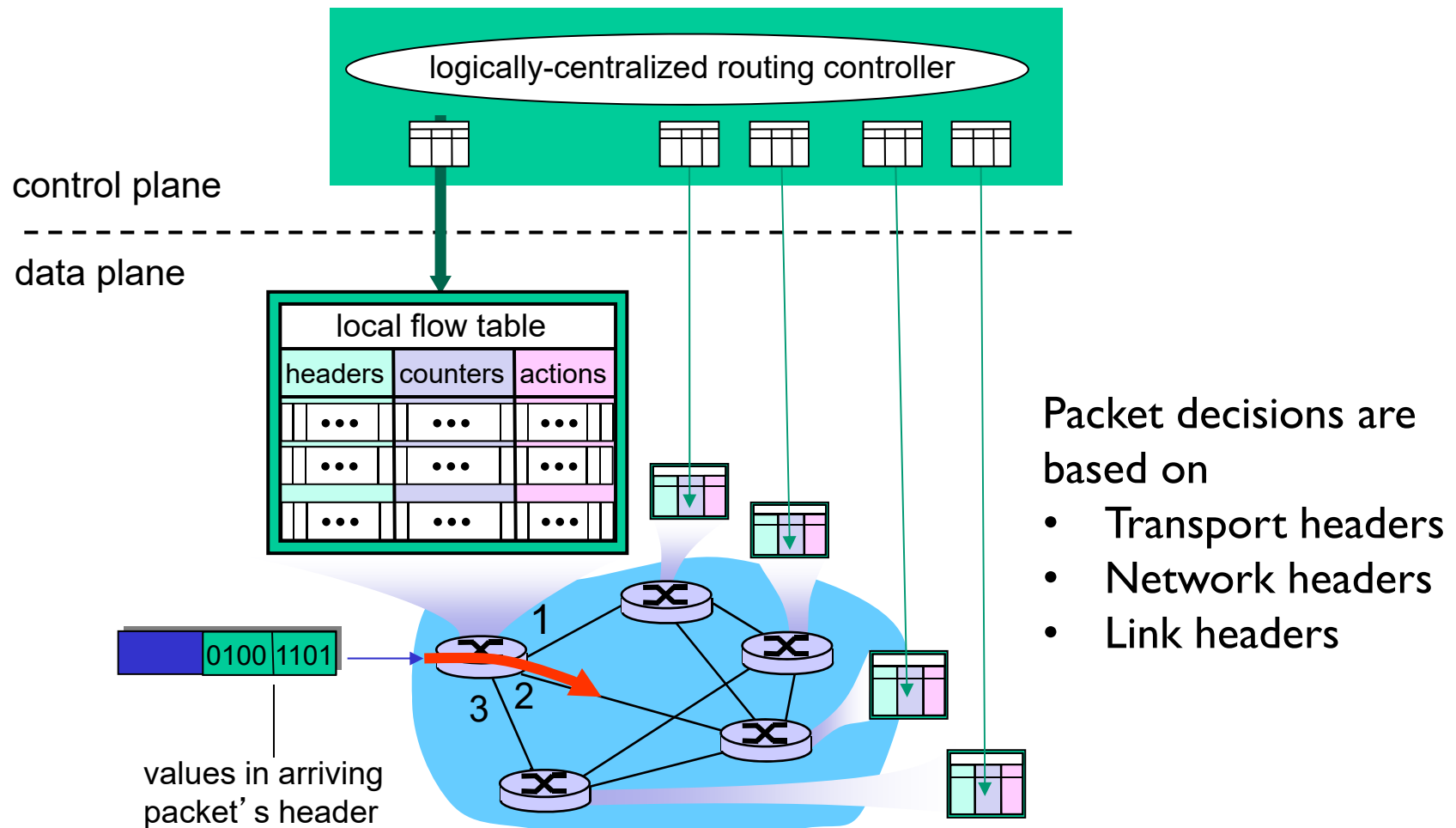


# Chapter 4: Network Layer

- 4.1 Overview of Network Layer
  - ❖ Data plane
  - ❖ Control plane
- 4.2 What's inside a router
- 4.3 IP: Internet Protocol
  - ❖ Datagram format
  - ❖ Fragmentation
  - ❖ IPv4 addressing
  - ❖ Network Address Translation
  - ❖ IPv6
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  - ❖ Match
  - ❖ Action
  - ❖ OpenFlow Examples of match-plus-action in action

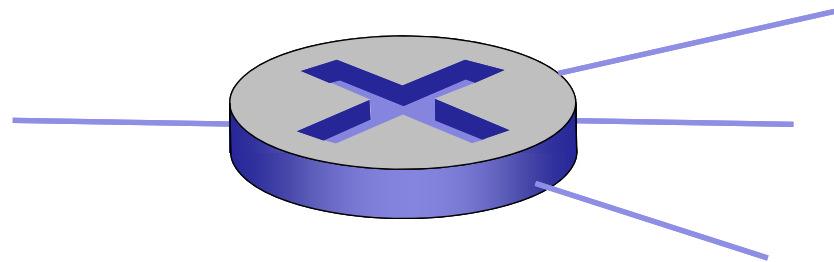
# Generalized Forwarding and SDN

- Each router contains at least one flow table that is computed and distributed by a logically-centralized routing controller



# OpenFlow Data Plane Abstraction

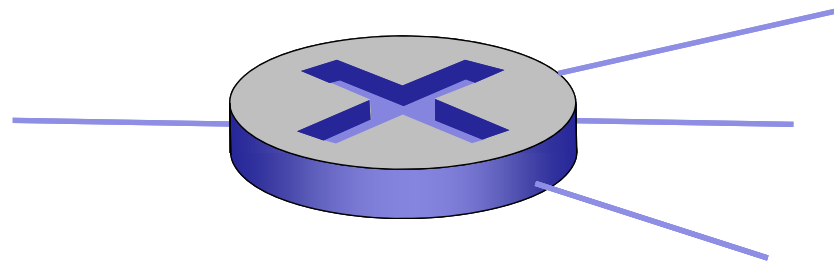
- Flow: defined by header **fields**
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Flow table in a router (computed and distributed by controller) defines router's match+action rules

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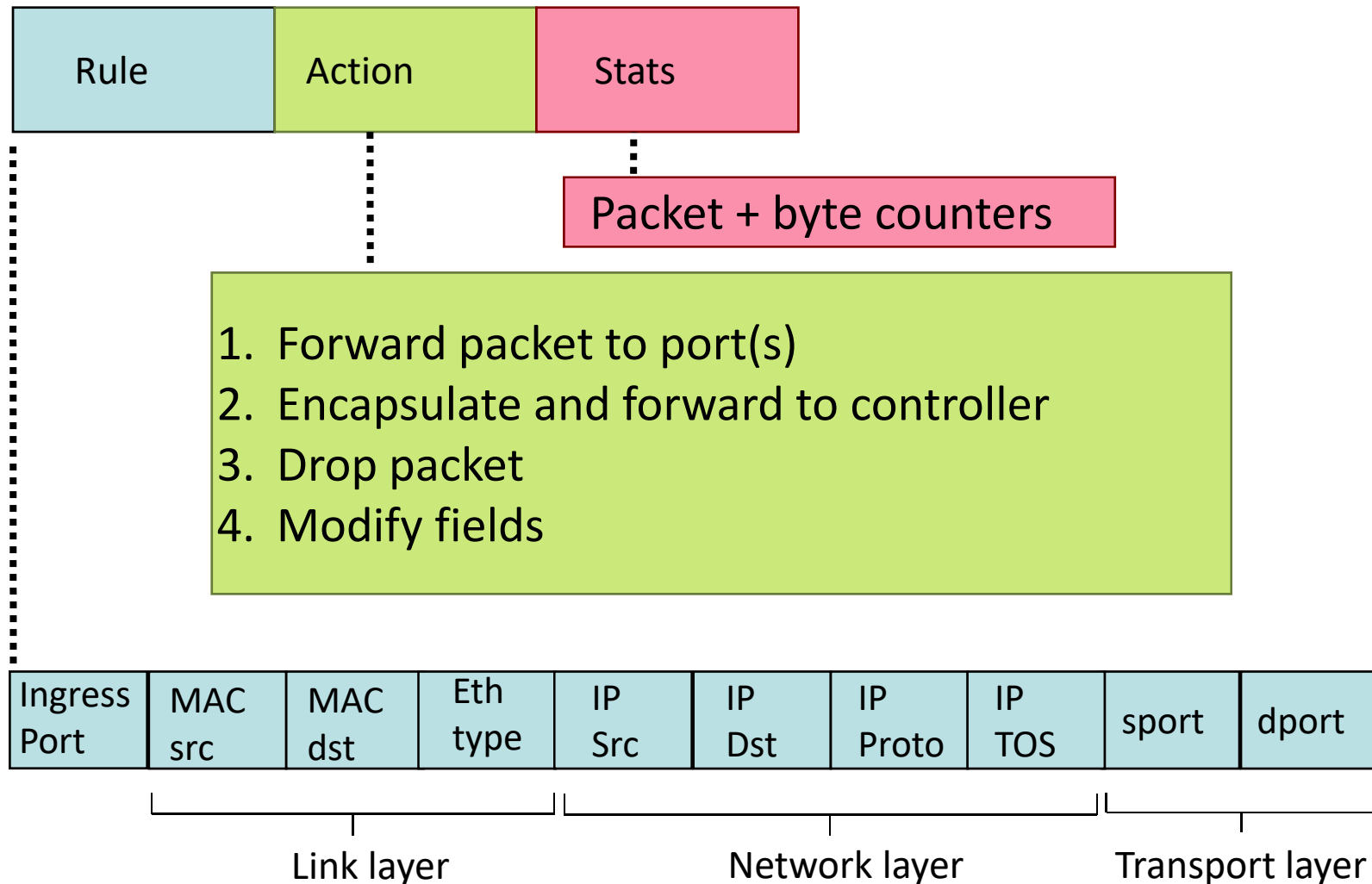


\* : wildcard

1. src = 1.2.\*.\*, dest=3.4.5.\* → drop
2. src = \*.\*.\*.\*, dest=3.4.\*.\* → forward(2)
3. src = 10.1.2.3, dest=\*.\*.\*.\* → send to controller



# OpenFlow 1.0: Flow Table Entries



IP Proto – upper layer protocol

IP TOS – type of service

# OpenFlow Abstraction

*Match + Action*: unifies different kinds of devices

## ❑ Router

- ❖ match: longest destination IP prefix
- ❖ action: forward out a link

## ❑ Switch

- ❖ match: destination MAC address
- ❖ action: forward or flood

## ❑ Firewall

- ❖ match: IP addresses and TCP/UDP port numbers
- ❖ action: permit or deny

## ❑ NAT

- ❖ match: IP address and port
- ❖ action: rewrite address and port

# Examples

## Router: Destination-based forwarding

										Action
Ingress Port	MAC src	MAC dst	Eth type	IP Src	IP Dst	IP Proto	IP TOS	sport	dport	Forward
*	*	*	*	*	51.6.0.8	*	*	*	*	port6

IP datagrams destined to IP address 51.6.0.8  
should be forwarded to router output port 6

## Switch: Destination-based layer 2 forwarding

										Action
Ingress Port	MAC src	MAC dst	Eth type	IP Src	IP Dst	IP Proto	IP TOS	sport	dport	Forward
*	22:A7:23:11:E1:02	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	port3

Layer 2 frames from MAC address 22:A7:23:11:E1:02  
should be forwarded to output port 3

# Examples

## Firewall:

Ingress Port	MAC src	MAC dst	Eth type	IP Src	IP Dst	IP Proto	IP TOS	sport	dport	Forward
*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	22	drop

Do not forward (block) all datagrams destined to TCP port 22

Ingress Port	MAC src	MAC dst	Eth type	IP Src	IP Dst	IP Proto	IP TOS	sport	dport	Forward
*	*	*	*	128.1.2.3	*	*	*	*	*	drop

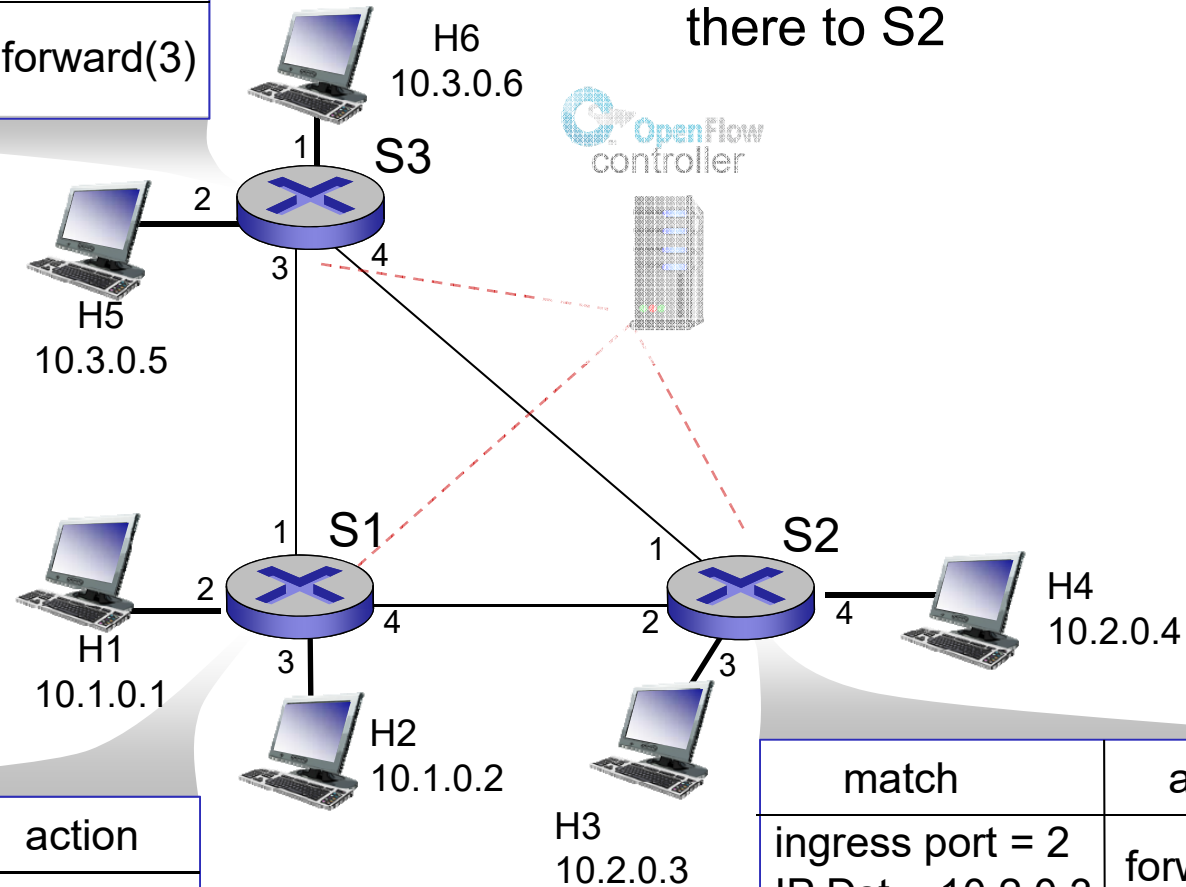
Do not forward (block) all datagrams sent by host 128.1.2.3

# OpenFlow Example

## Example:

Datagrams from hosts H5 and H6 should be sent to H3 or H4, via S1 and from there to S2

match	action
IP Src = 10.3.*.* IP Dst = 10.2.*.*	forward(3)



match	action
ingress port = 1 IP Src = 10.3.*.* IP Dst = 10.2.*.*	forward(4)

match	action
ingress port = 2 IP Dst = 10.2.0.3	forward(3)
ingress port = 2 IP Dst = 10.2.0.4	forward(4)