

# CS 60: Computer Networks

## Link layer: Data link

# Review from last class

Layer 3: routers have two primary functions

1. Forwarding – move packets from input port to output port, quickly!
2. Routing – select the best path from source IP to destination IP

Routing decisions are made:

- **Within** an autonomous system:
  - We discussed Open Shortest Path First (OSPF); mentioned others such as RIP and EIGRP
  - Shortest path from router to all other routers in the AS calculated using Dijkstra's algorithm
- **Between** autonomous systems: calculate paths between AS'es using Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)

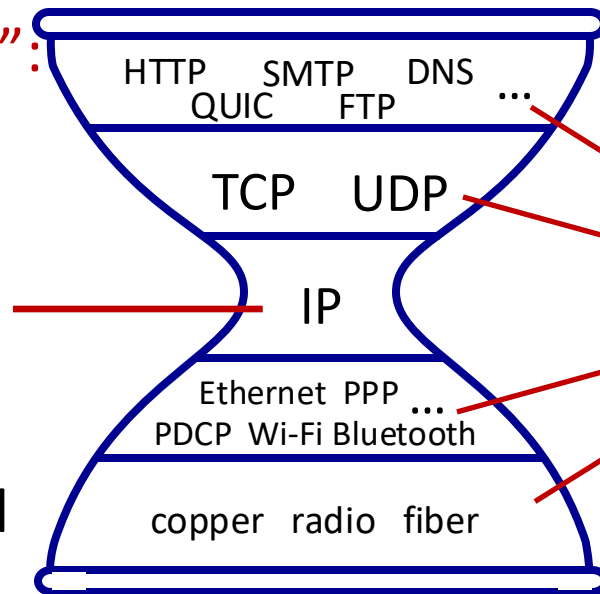
There are two routing paradigms

1. Traditional – each router makes its own decision about selecting routes
2. Software Defined Network – a control plane monitors the network and updates the routing table on each router

# The IP hourglass

Internet's "thin waist":

- One network layer protocol: IP
- *Must* be implemented by every (billions) of Internet-connected devices
- Each device gets a locally unique IP address



*Many* protocols in physical, link, transport, and application layers

# Review: Link layer moves frames across a Local Area Network

## Conceptual network layers

### 7) Application

Interacts with application programs to send **messages**

Applications assigned a port, multiple instances can run (many browser pages)

Examples: HTTP, SSH, FTP, SMTP, DNS

### 4) Transport

Moves **segments (or datagrams)**

May provide error control, flow control, application addressing (ports)

Examples: TCP (connection-oriented), UDP (connectionless)

TCP provides sequencing, dropped packet resend, traffic congestion routing

### 3) Network (IP)

Moves **packets** between local area networks (routing)

Each computer on the Internet identified by an IP address (IP v4 or v6)

Also called Layer 3 or IP layer (ICMP Ping is here)

### 2) Link (MAC)

Moves **frames** within a local area network (switching)

Each computer identified by a MAC address on its Network Interface Card (NIC)

Also called Layer 2, MAC layer, Data Link layer, or Ethernet layer

### 1) Physical

How data is physically transmitted

- Transmitter converts logical 1 and 0 **bits** to electrical/light pulses or phase/amplitude of radio frequency (RF) and sends down wire or over air
- Receiver converts electrical/light or RF back to logical 1 and 0 bits

# Agenda



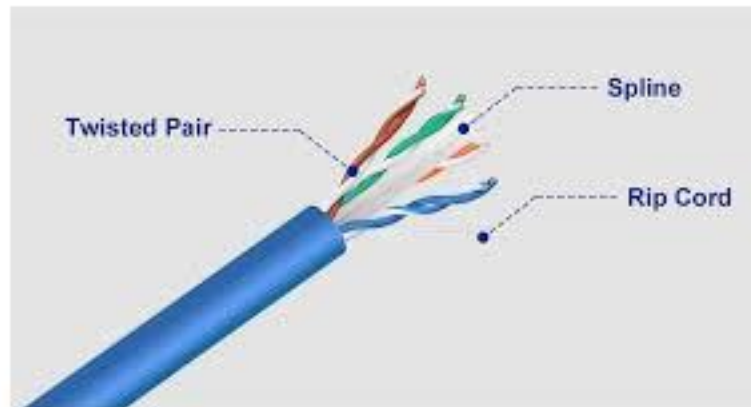
1. Ethernet
2. Putting it all together
3. Error detection/correction
4. Channel sharing

# Ethernet is the dominant wired technology used on the Internet

Network infrastructure (routers/switches) is typically connected via wired cable or fiber optic cable

Ethernet is the “dominant” Layer 2 wired LAN technology:

- First widely used LAN technology
- Simpler, cheap
- Kept up with speed race: 10 Mbps – 400 Gbps
- Single chip, multiple speeds
- Full duplex
  - How?

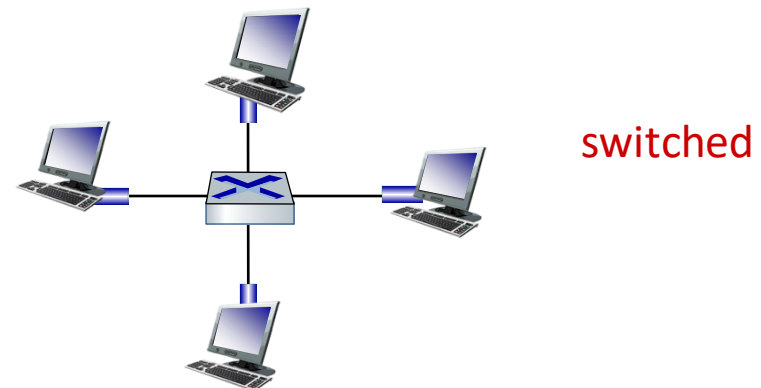
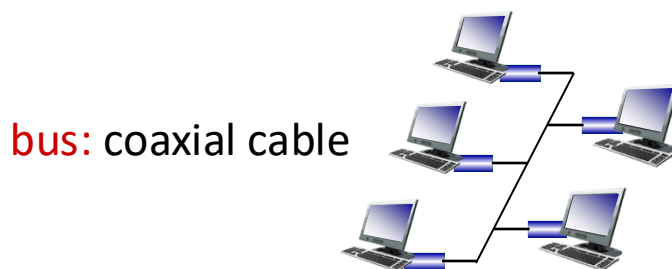


Cable:  
2 wires for TX  
2 wires for RX

Fiber:  
1 fiber for TX  
1 fiber for RX

# Ethernet's physical topology has moved from a bus to a switched configuration

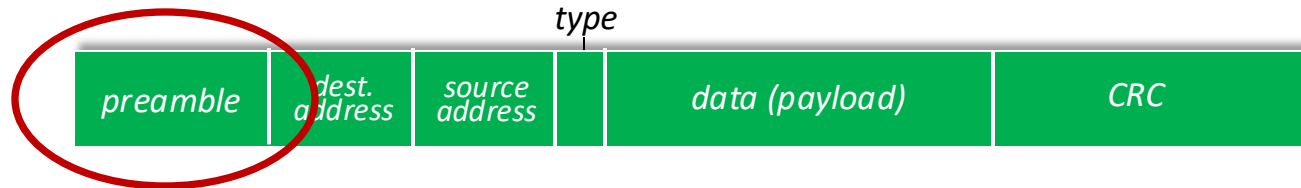
- **Bus:** popular through mid '90s
  - All nodes in same collision domain (can collide with each other)
- **Switched:** prevails today
  - Active link-layer 2 switch logically in the center
  - Point-to-point connection from host to switch
  - Each “spoke” runs a (separate) Ethernet protocol (nodes do not collide with each other)





# Ethernet frame structure

Sending interface encapsulates IP datagram (or other network layer protocol packet) in **Ethernet frame**



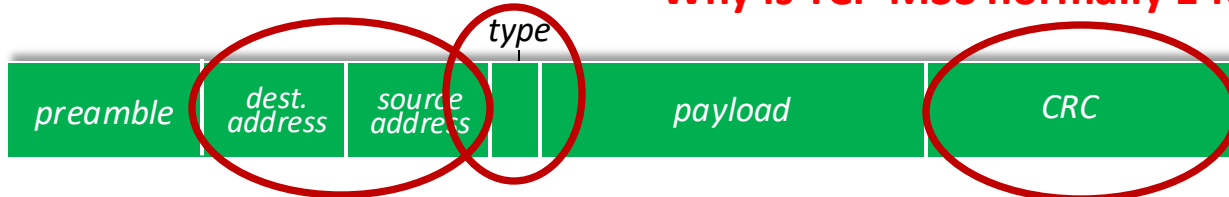
## *Preamble:*

- Used to synchronize receiver and sender clocks
- 7 bytes of 10101010 followed by one byte of 10101011 (last byte is called the Start of Frame Delimiter – SFD)
- After the SFD, the receiver knows “an Ethernet frame is coming next”

# Ethernet frame structure (more)

Payload contains IP packet

Ethernet max data size = 1500 bytes (min 46 bytes)  
Why is TCP MSS normally 1460?



- **Addresses:** 6-byte source and 6-byte destination MAC addresses
  - When an adapter receives frame with matching destination address, or with broadcast address (e.g., ARP packet), it passes data in frame to network layer
  - Otherwise, adapter discards frame (CPU not interrupted)
- **Type:** indicates higher layer protocol
  - Mostly IP but others “possible”, e.g., Novell IPX, AppleTalk
  - IPv4 type = x0800, IPv6 type = x86DD
  - Used to decode bytes in payload
- **CRC:** cyclic redundancy check at receiver
  - If error detected: frame is dropped

NIC removes preamble and CRC before passing to layer 2

You will not see these bits in Wireshark

# Ethernet is both unreliable and connectionless

- **Connectionless:**

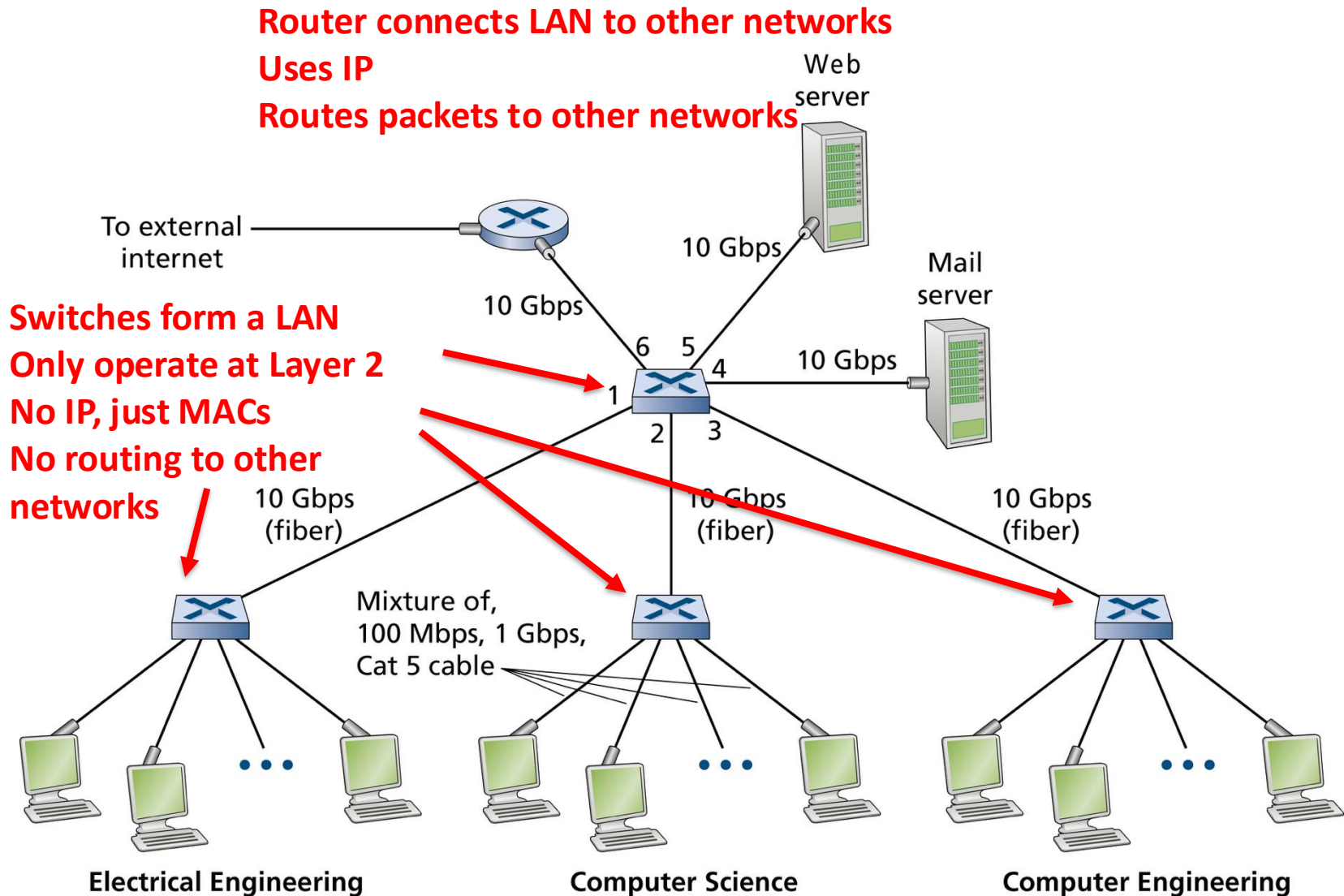
- No handshaking between sending and receiving NICs

- **Unreliable:**

- Receiving NIC doesn't send ACKs or NAKs to sending NIC
- Data in dropped frames recovered only if initial sender uses higher layer reliable data transfer (e.g., TCP), otherwise dropped data lost

- Ethernet's MAC protocol: unslotted **CSMA/CD with binary backoff**

# Switches (Layer 2) and routers (Layer 3) are typically connected via Ethernet



# Ethernet switch

- Switch is a **link-layer** device: takes an *active* role
  - Store and forward Ethernet (or other type of) frames
  - Examine incoming frame's MAC address
    - *Selectively* forward frame to one-or-more outgoing links when frame is to be forwarded
    - Uses CSMA/CD to assess if the link is busy
- **Transparent:** hosts *unaware* of presence of switches
  - Can think of the switch like a smart cable
- **Plug-and-play, self-learning**
  - Switches do not *\*need\** to be configured



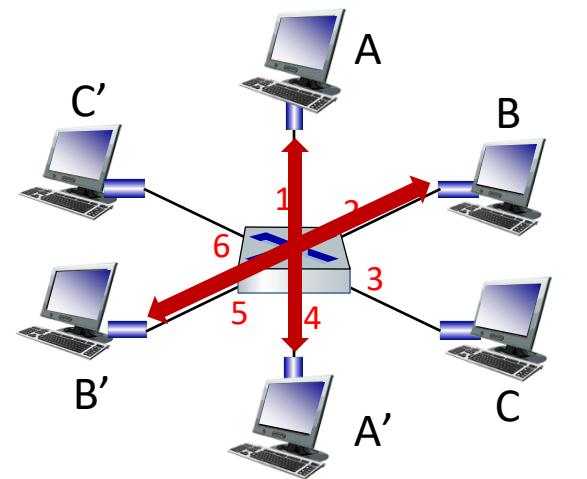
**Does a switch have a MAC address?**

**Hosts never address traffic to the switch so it doesn't strictly need one**

**But, switches often have a MAC address to provide a management interface (ex., VLAN setup)**

# Switch: multiple simultaneous transmissions

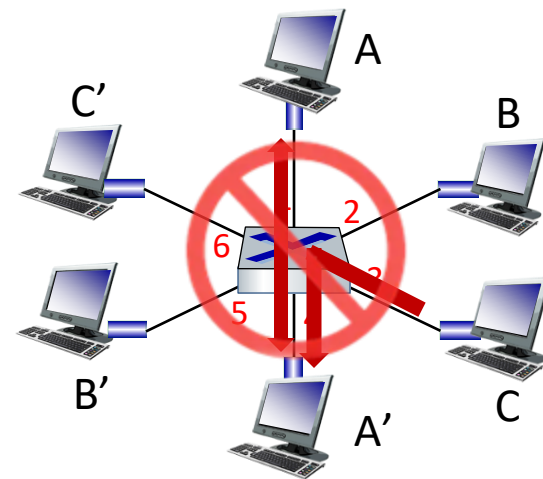
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# Switch forwarding table

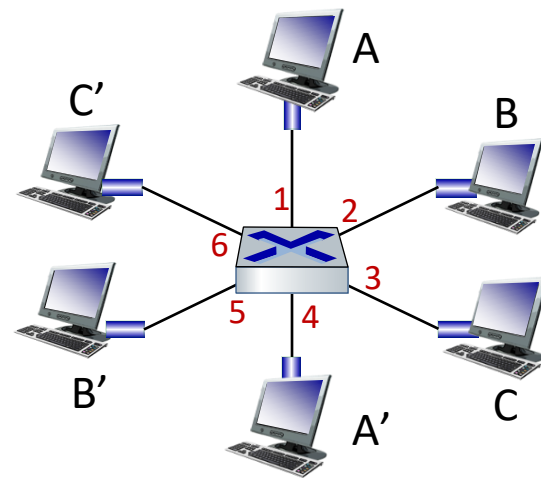
Q: How does switch know A' reachable via interface 4, B' reachable via interface 5?

A: Each switch has a **switch table**, each entry:

- (MAC address of host, interface to reach host, time stamp)
- Looks like a routing table!

Q: How are entries created, maintained in switch table?

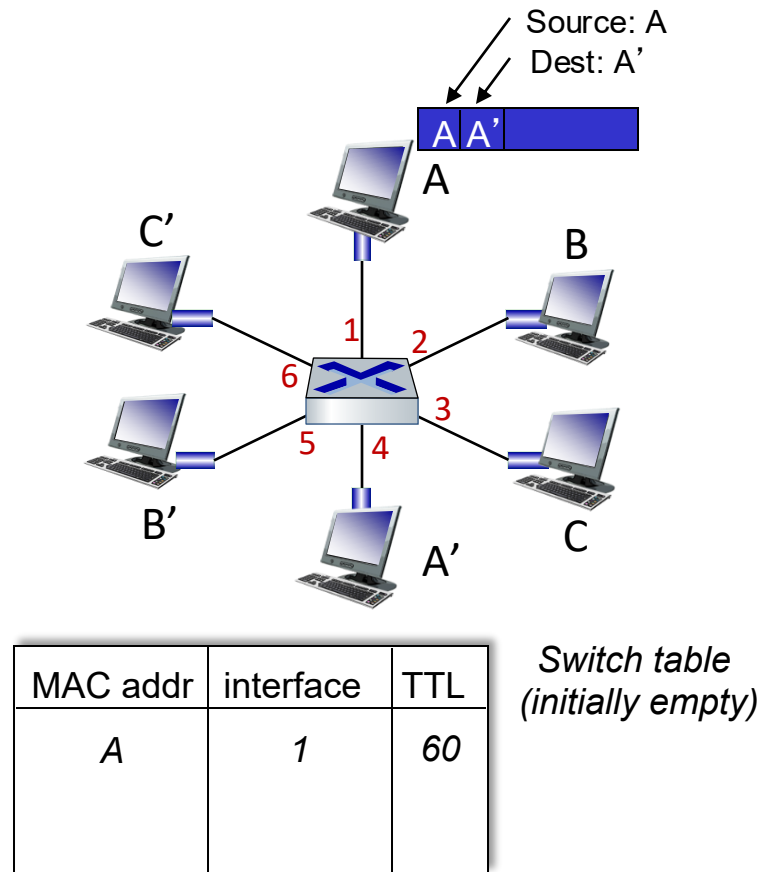
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# Switch: self-learning

- Switch *learns* which hosts can be reached through which interfaces
  - When frame received, switch “learns” location of sender: incoming LAN segment
  - Records sender/location pair in switch table



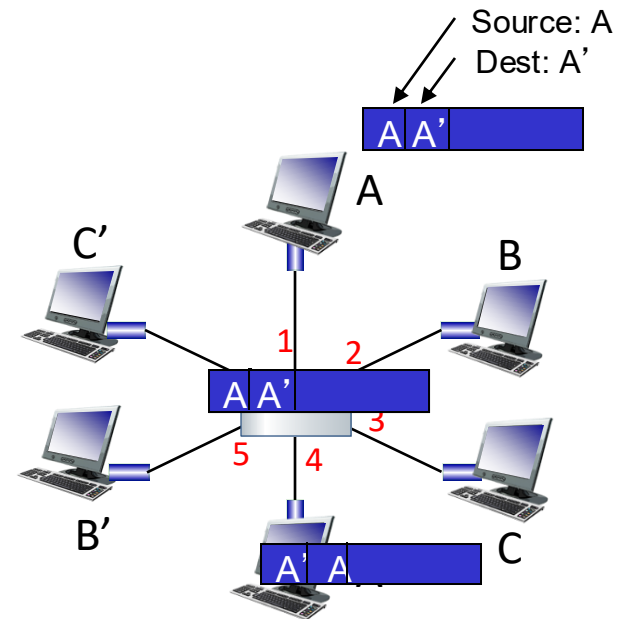
# Switch: frame filtering/forwarding

When frame received at switch:

1. Record incoming link, MAC address of sending host
2. Index switch table using MAC destination address
3. If entry found for destination  
then {  
    If destination on segment from which frame arrived  
    then drop frame  
    else forward frame on interface indicated by entry  
}  
else flood // forward on all interfaces except arriving interface

# Self-learning, forwarding: example

- Frame destination, A', location unknown: **flood**
- Reply: destination A location known: **selectively send on just one link**

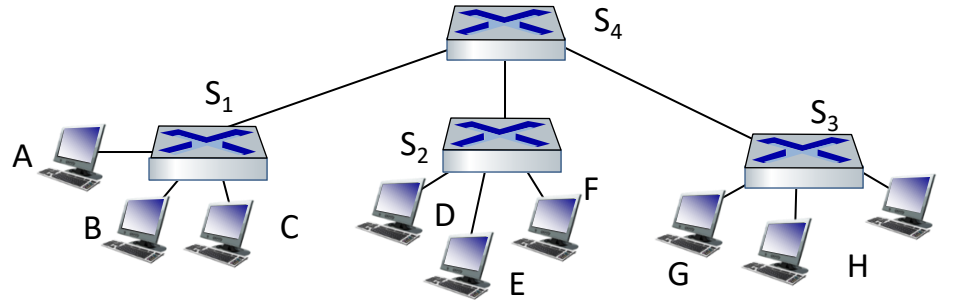


MAC addr	interface	TTL
A	1	60
A'	4	60

*switch table  
(initially empty)*

# Interconnecting switches

Self-learning switches can be connected together:



**Q:** Sending from A to G - how does S<sub>1</sub> know to forward frame destined to G via S<sub>4</sub> and S<sub>3</sub>?

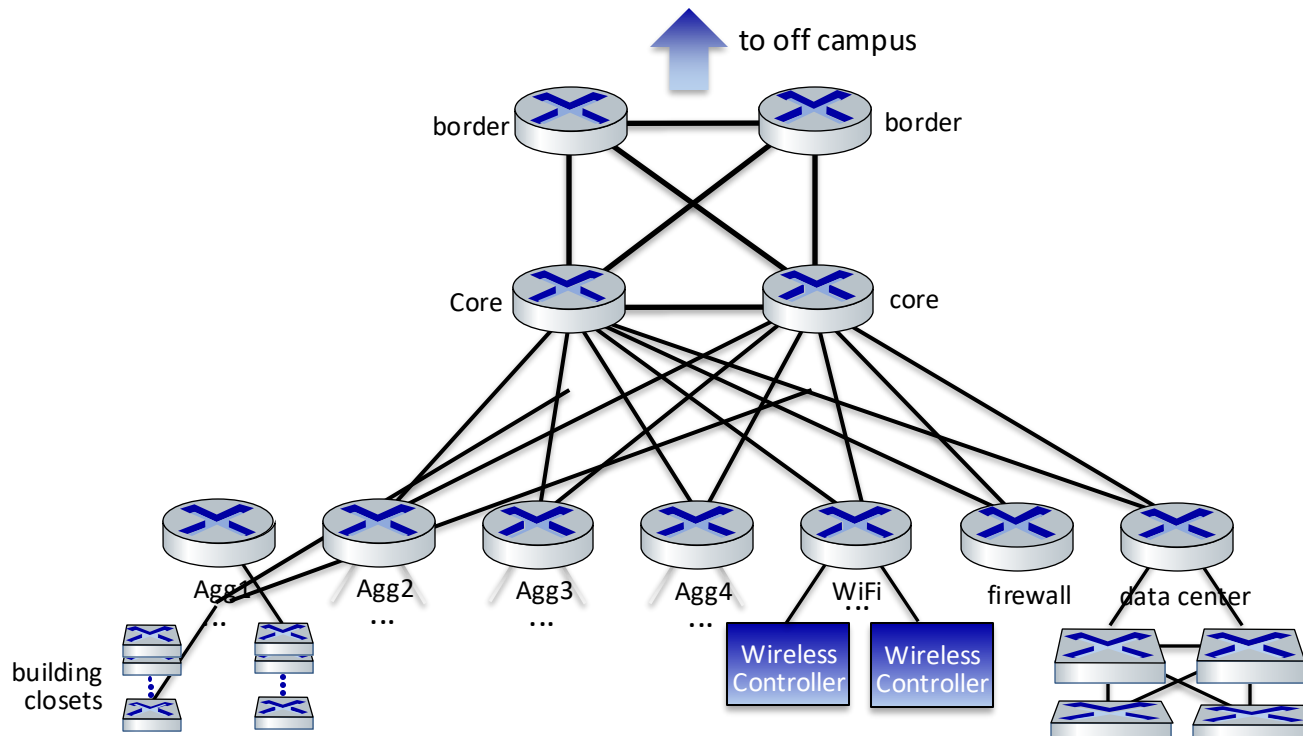
- **A:** Self learning! (works exactly the same as in single-switch case!)

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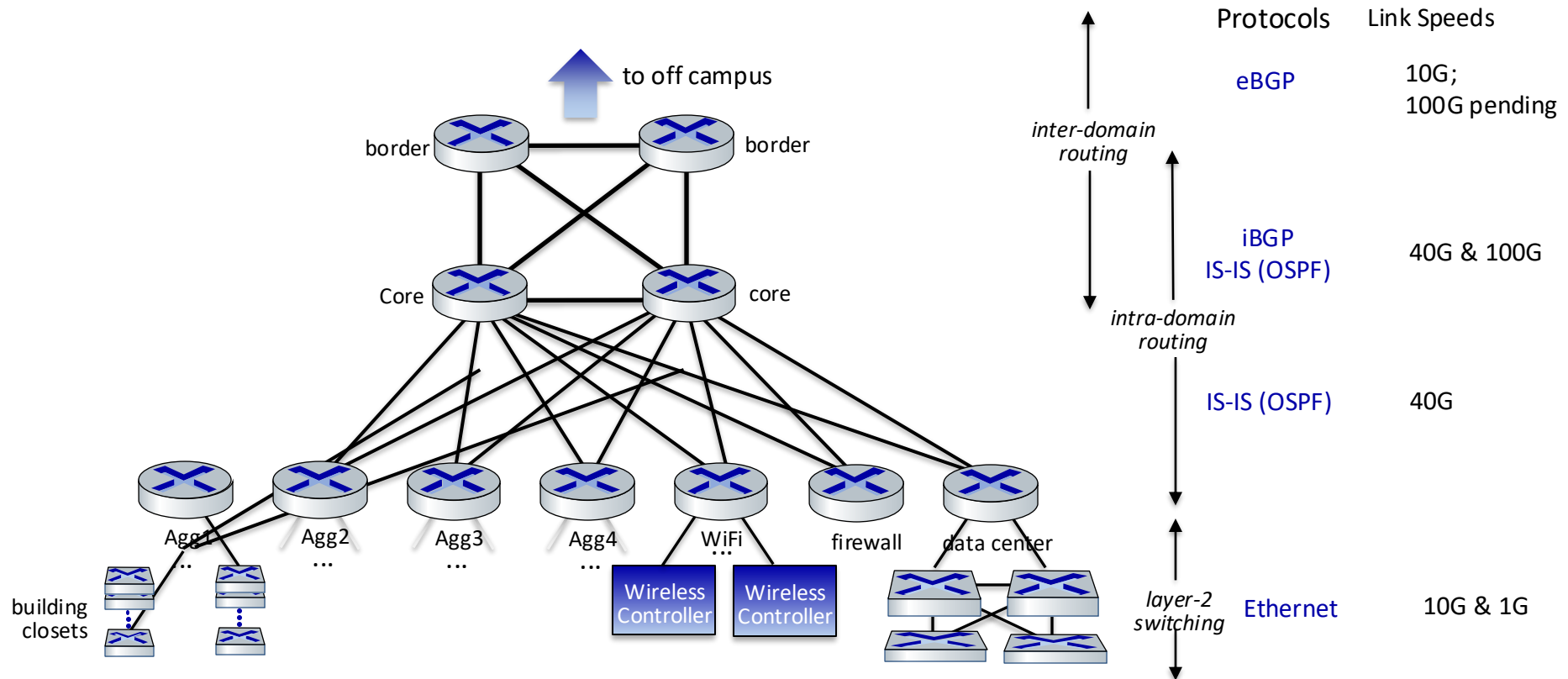
## UMass network:

- 4 firewalls
- 10 routers
- 2,000+ network switches
- 6,000 wireless access points
- 30,000 active wired network jacks
- 55,000 active end-user wireless devices

... all built,  
operated,  
maintained by  
~15 people



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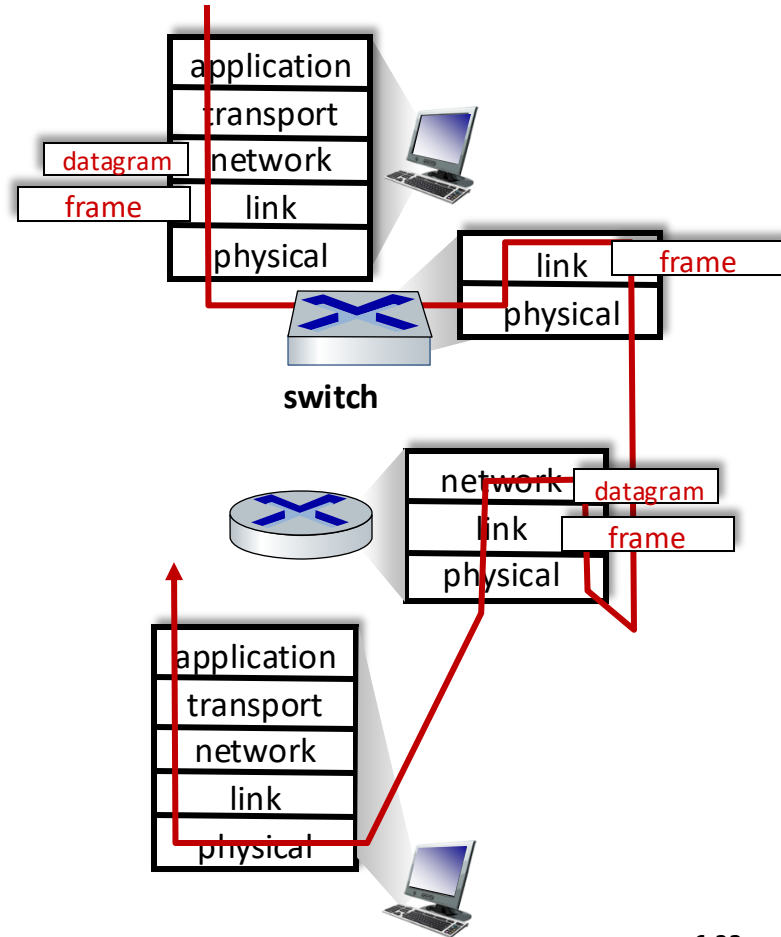
# Switches vs. routers

Both are store-and-forward:

- **Routers:** network-layer devices (examine network-layer headers)
- **Switches:** link-layer devices (examine link-layer headers)

Both have forwarding tables:

- **Routers:** compute tables using routing algorithms, IP addresses
- **Switches:** learn forwarding table using flooding, learning MAC addresses

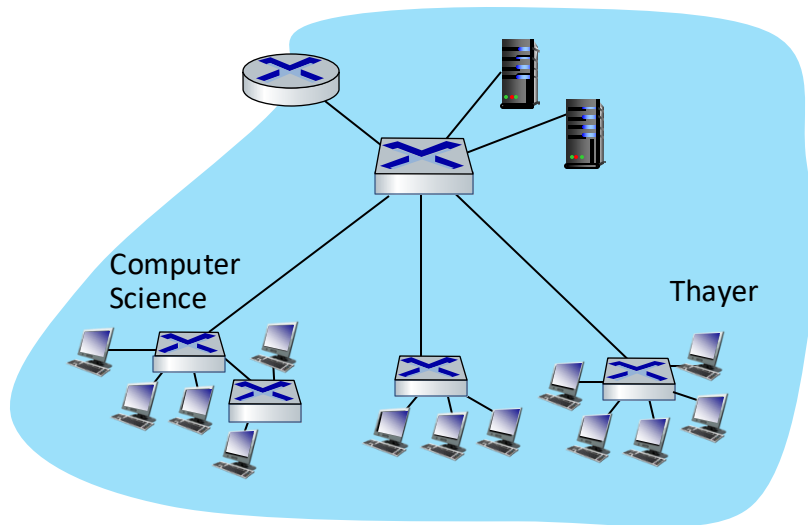


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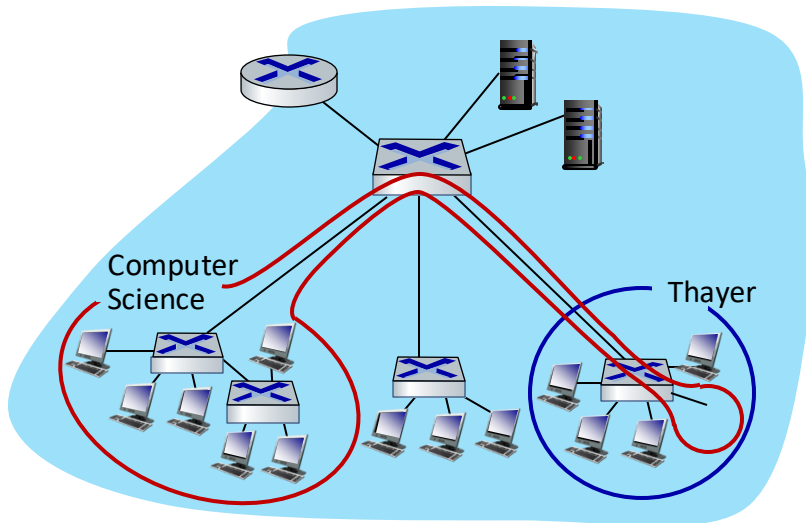
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## Administrative issues:

- CS user moves office to Thayer
  - **physically** attached to Thayer switch, but wants to remain **logically** attached to CS switch

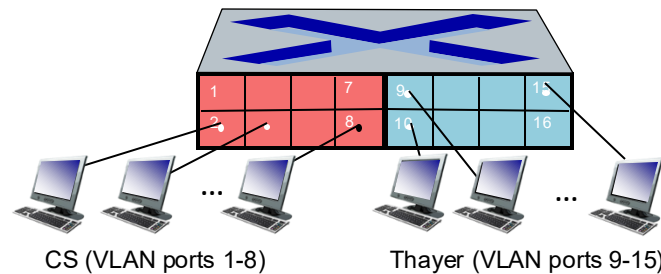


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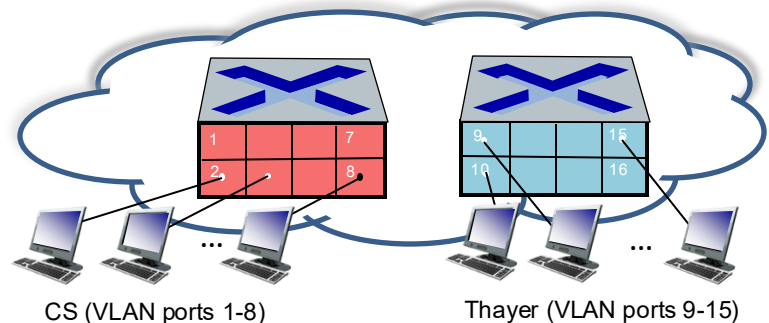
## Virtual Local Area Network (VLAN)

Switch(es) supporting VLAN capabilities can be configured to define multiple *virtual* LANS over single physical LAN infrastructure.

**Port-based VLAN:** switch ports grouped (by switch management software) so that *single* physical switch .....

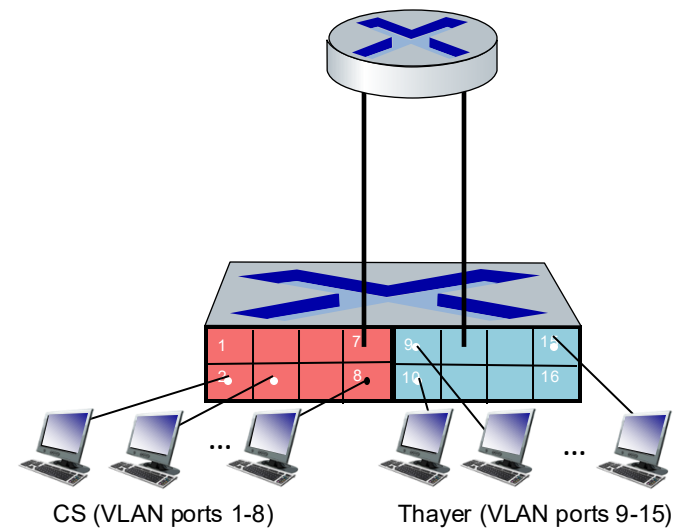


... operates as **multiple** virtual switches



# Port-based VLANs

- **Traffic isolation:** frames to/from ports 1-8 can *only* reach ports 1-8
  - Can also define VLAN based on MAC addresses of endpoints, rather than switch port
- **Dynamic membership:** ports can be dynamically assigned among VLANs
- **Forwarding between VLANs:** done via routing (just as with separate switches)
  - In practice vendors sell combined switches plus routers



# At Layer 2 MAC addresses uniquely identify hosts

- 32-bit IP address:
  - *Network-layer* address for interface
  - Used for Layer 3 (network layer) forwarding
  - e.g.: 128.119.40.136
- MAC (aka LAN or physical or Ethernet) address:
  - Function: used “locally” to get frame from one interface to another physically-connected interface (same subnet, in IP-addressing sense)
  - 48-bit MAC address (6 bytes) burned in NIC ROM, also sometimes software settable
  - e.g.: 1A:2F:BB:76:09:AD

**MAC = Media Access Control**

**MACs are meant to be permanent  
but they can be changed in software  
I'll assume they are fixed today**

**Routers have MAC addresses too!  
(well, their network interfaces do,  
multiple interfaces = multiple MACs)**

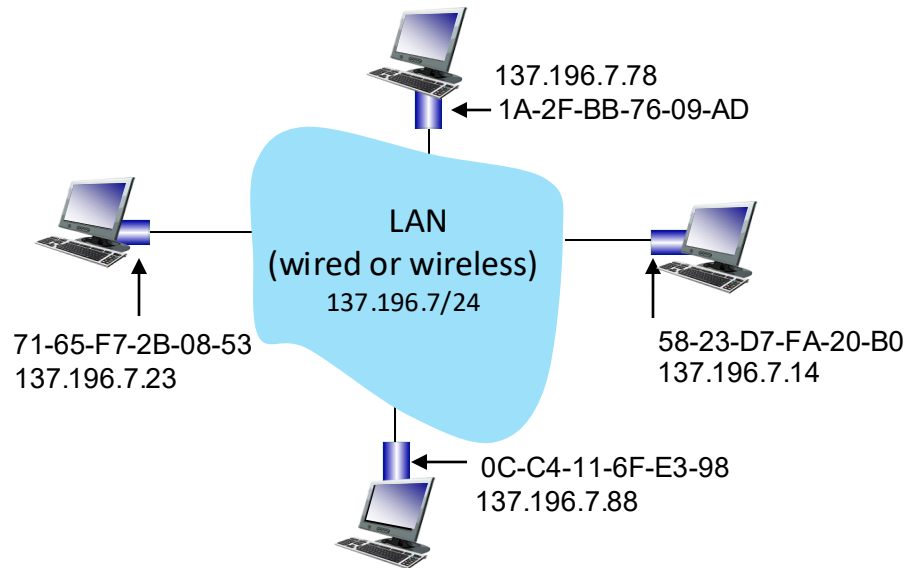
*hexadecimal (base 16) notation  
(each “numeral” represents 4 bits)*

**Switches do not have MACs! (except for management interfaces)**

# At Layer 2 MAC addresses uniquely identify hosts

Each interface on LAN

- Has unique 48-bit **MAC** address
- Has a locally unique 32-bit IP address (as we've seen)



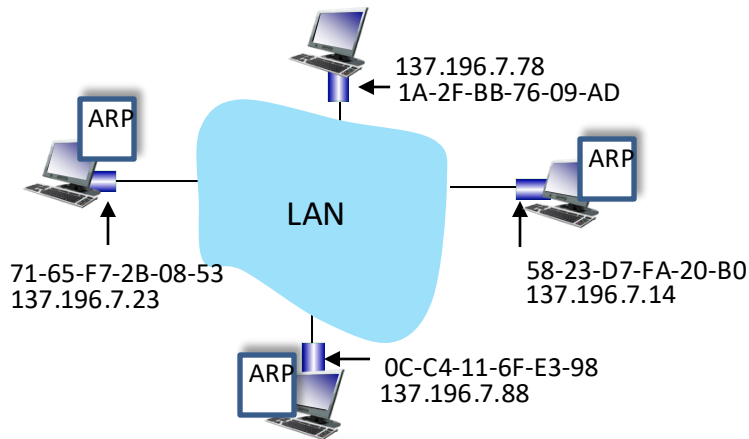
# At Layer 2 MAC addresses uniquely identify hosts

- MAC address allocation administered by IEEE
- Manufacturer buys portion of MAC address space (to assure uniqueness)
- First three octets (24 bits) identify manufacturer (OUI), last three identify the device
- Analogy:
  - MAC address: like Social Security Number (identity)
  - IP address: like postal address (location)
- MAC flat address: portability
  - Can move interface (MAC) from one LAN to another
  - Recall IP address
    - *Not* portable: depends on IP subnet to which node is attached
    - Hierarchical, first part of IP identifies the network, second identifies the host

# ARP: address resolution protocol

*Question:* How to determine interface's MAC address, knowing its IP address?

IP	MAC	TTL
137.196.7.14	58-23-D7-FA-20-B0	20
137.196.7.88	0C-C4-aa-6F-E3-98	14
137.196.7.23	71-65-F7-2B-08-53	9



**ARP table:** each IP node (host, router) on LAN has table

- IP/MAC address mappings for some LAN nodes:

< IP address; MAC address; TTL >

- TTL (Time To Live): time after which address mapping will be forgotten (typically 20 min)
- Different from Switch Table which gives the interface where a MAC is attached

# ARP protocol in action

Example: A wants to send datagram to B

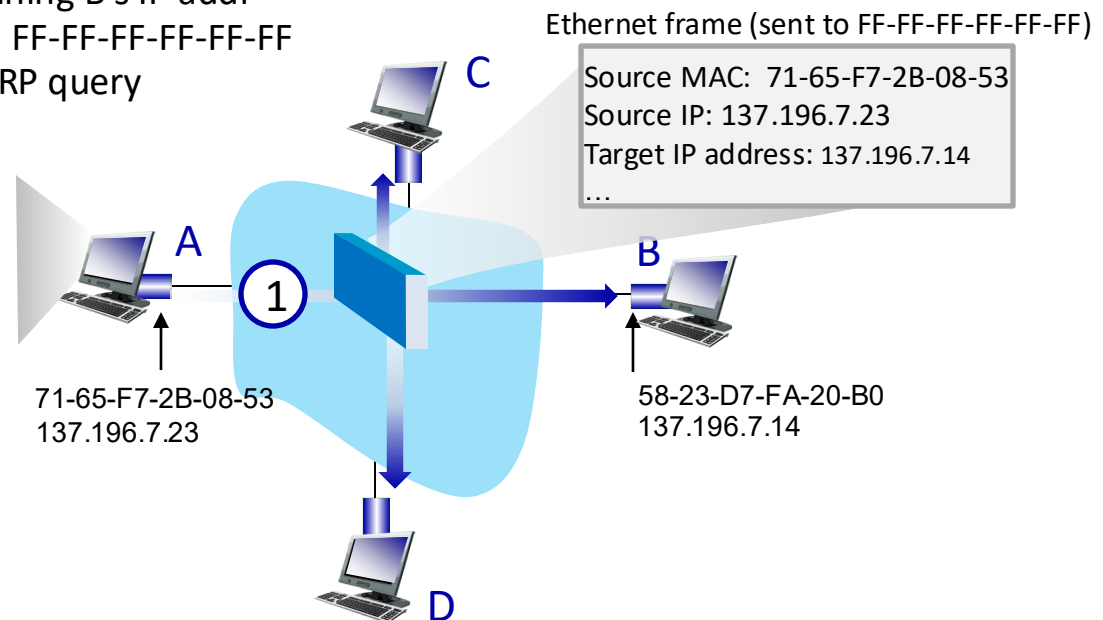
- B's MAC address not in A's ARP table, so A uses ARP to find B's MAC address

A broadcasts ARP query, containing B's IP addr

- ①
- Destination MAC address = FF-FF-FF-FF-FF-FF
  - All nodes on LAN receive ARP query

ARP table in A

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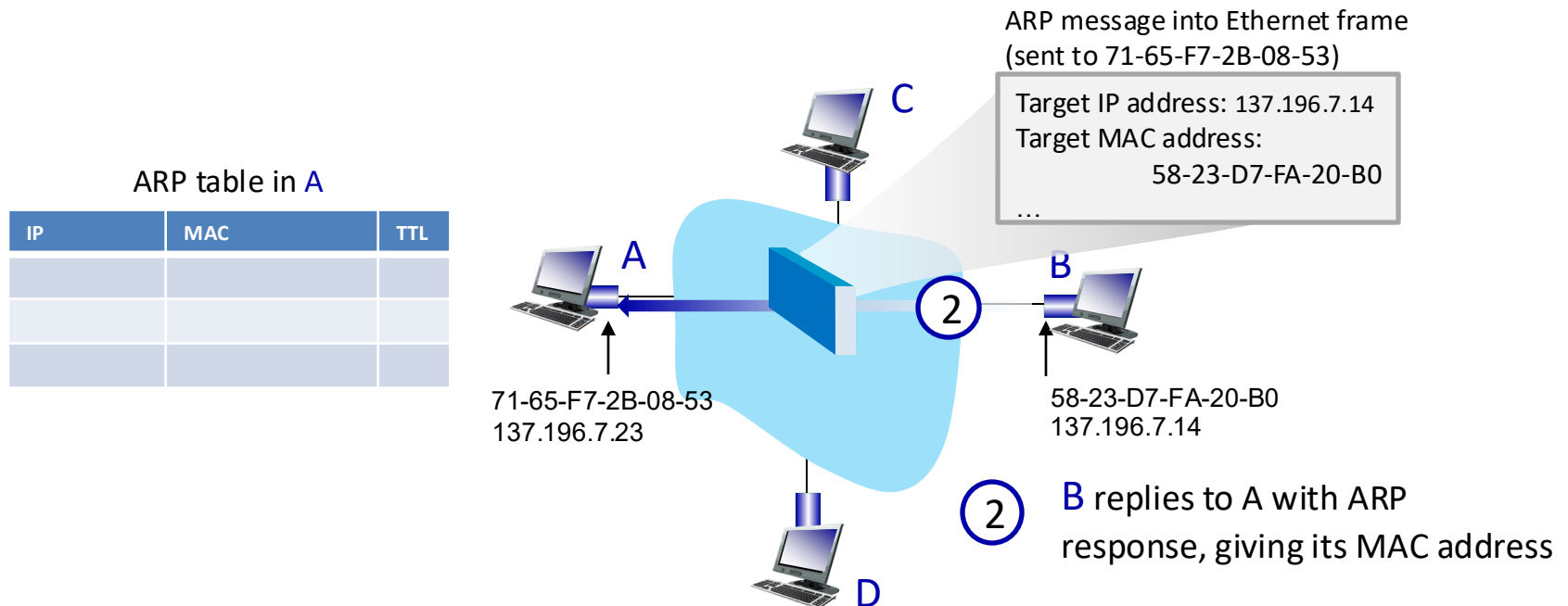




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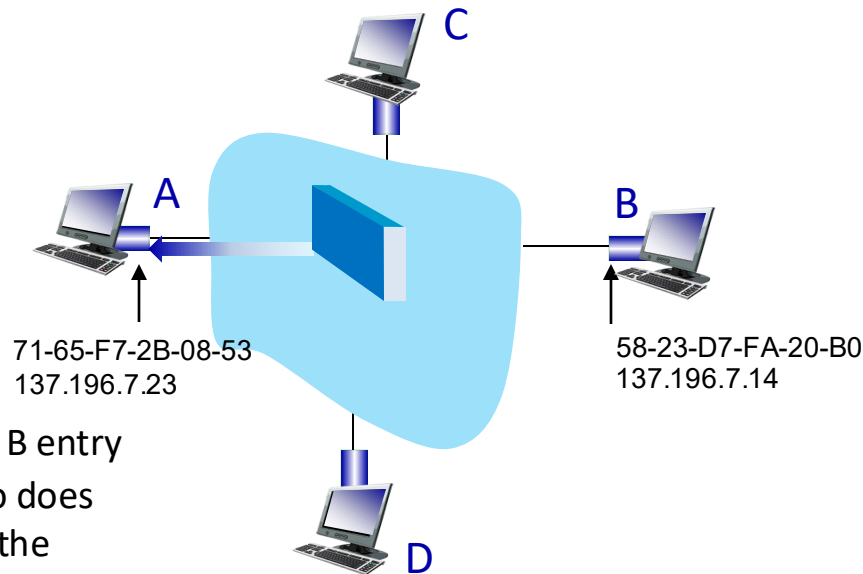
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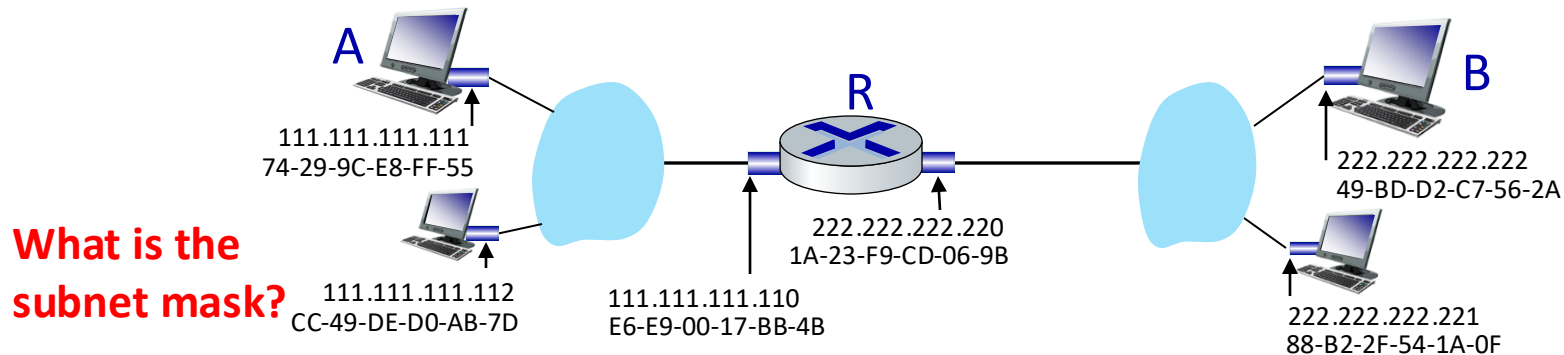
- ③ A receives B's reply, adds B entry into its local ARP table (so does everyone else that hears the reply!)

**ARP table is built automatically**  
**Sys admins do not need to configure them (nice!)**

# Routing to another subnet: addressing

Walkthrough: sending a datagram from A to B via R

- Focus on addressing – at IP (datagram) and MAC layer (frame) levels
- Assume that:
  - A knows B's IP address or gets it from DNS
  - A knows IP address of first hop router, R (how?)
  - A knows R's MAC address (how?)



What is the  
subnet mask?

Let's assume  
111.111.111.0/24

Note: router has IP address and MAC for  
each of its interfaces  
Left interface IP addr on left subnet  
Right interface IP addr on right subnet

# Routing to another subnet: addressing

- A creates IP packet with IP source A, destination B
- A creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram
  - R's MAC address is frame's destination

How to tell if dst IP in network?  
Use subnet mask

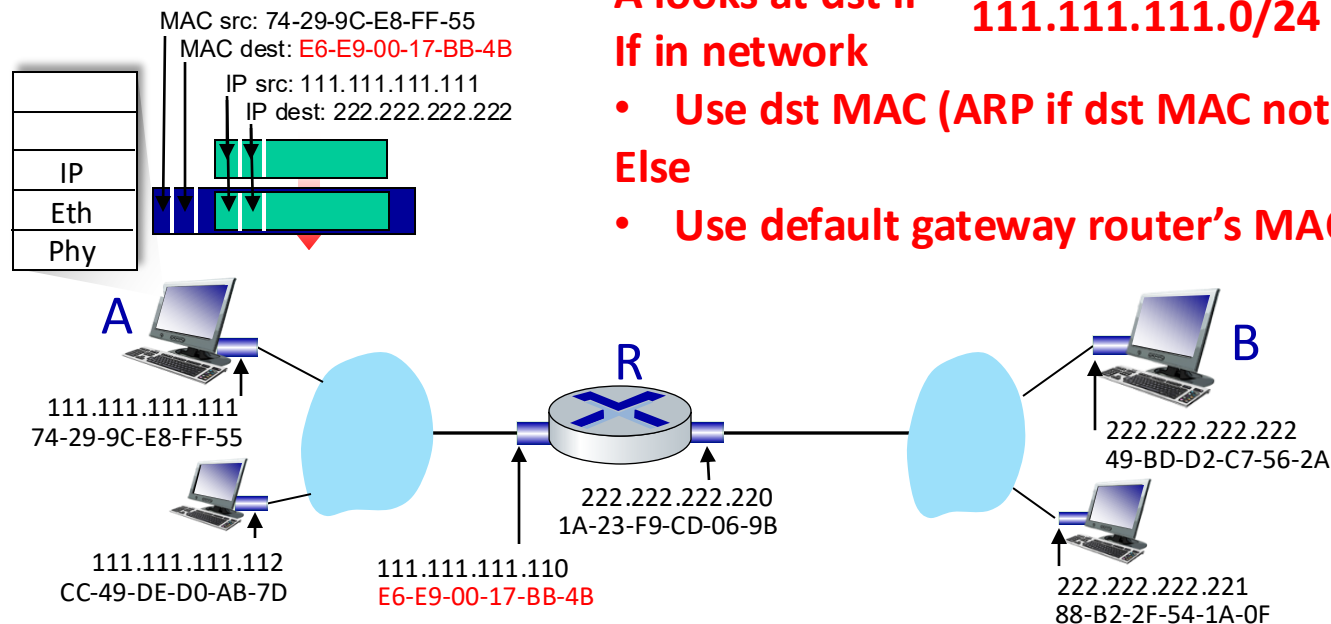
A looks at dst IP  
If in network

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- Use dst MAC (ARP if dst MAC not known)

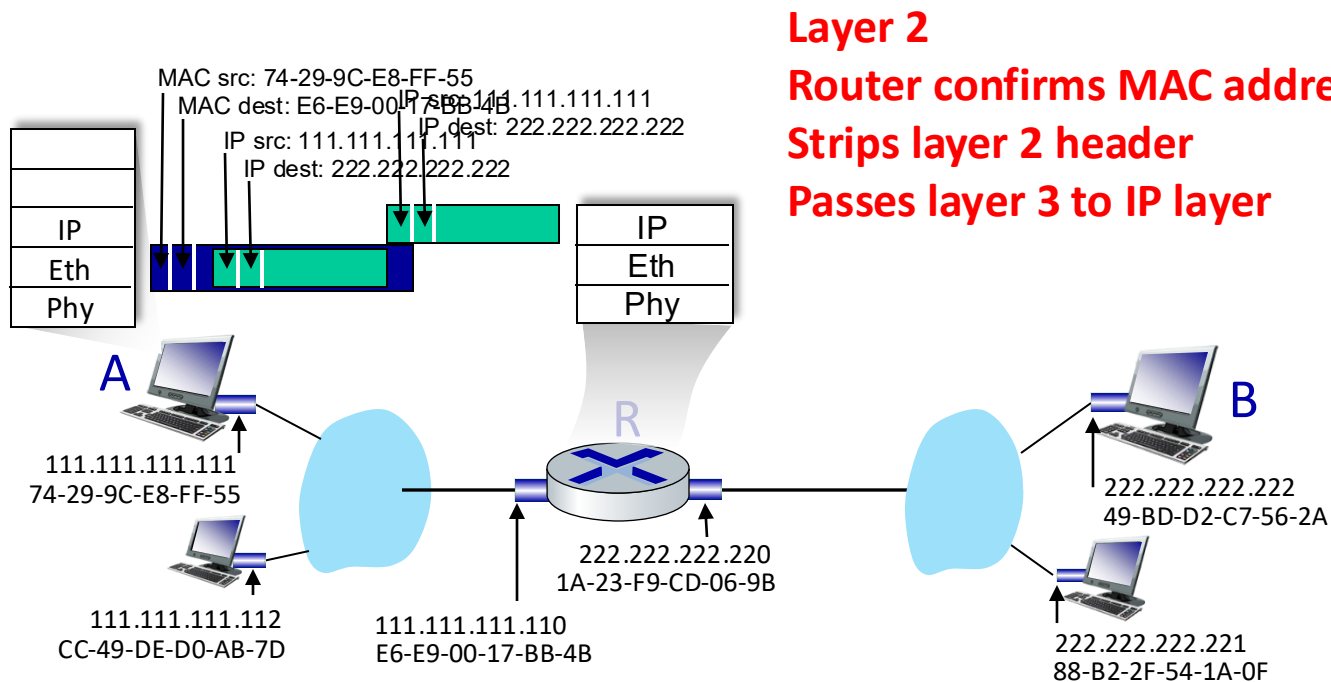
Else

- Use default gateway router's MAC



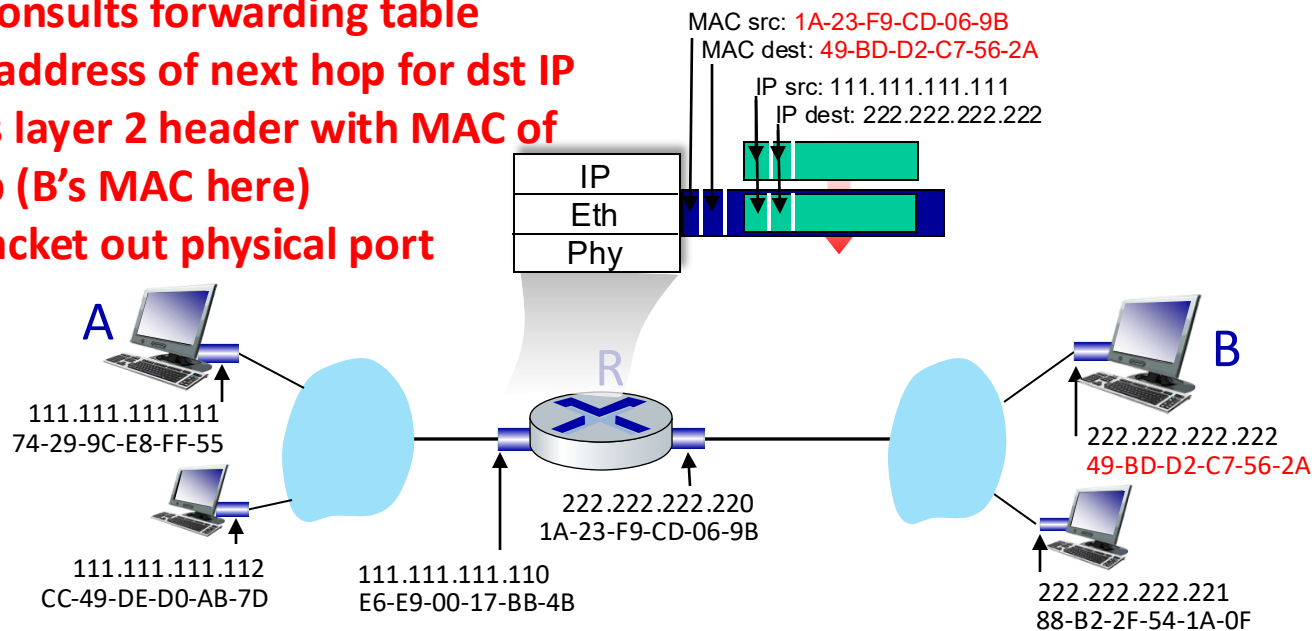
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- Frame sent from A to R
- Frame received at R, frame header removed, passed up to IP



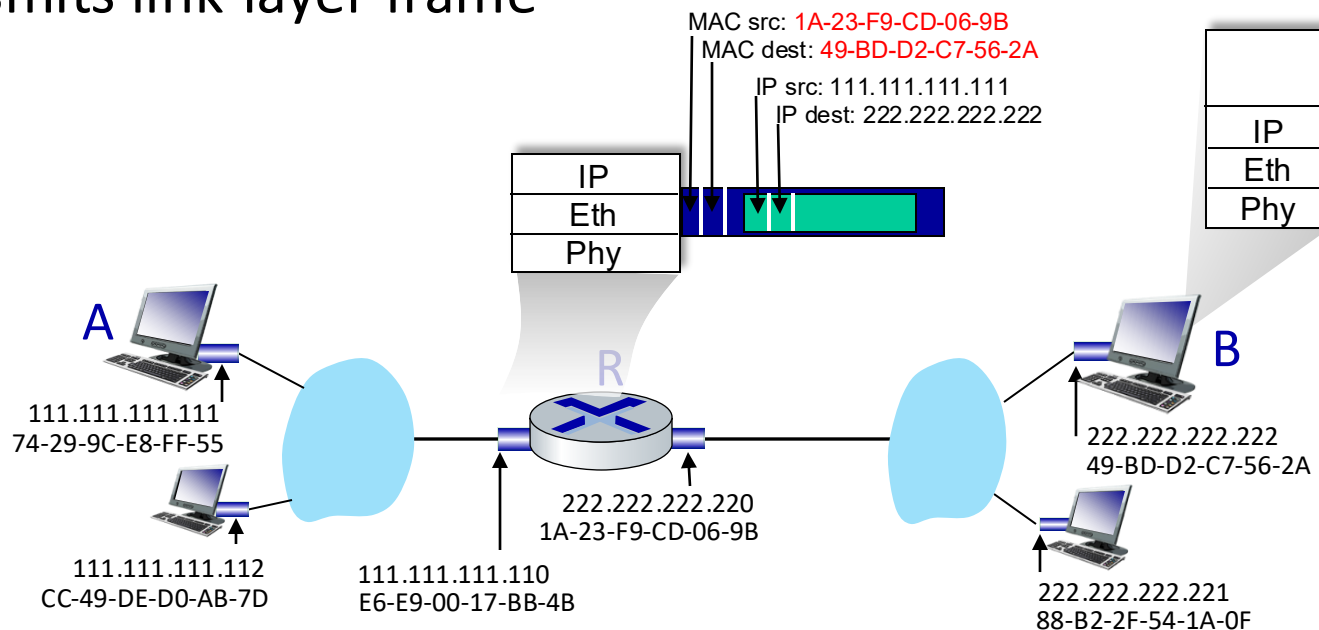
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- R determines outgoing interface, passes datagram with IP source A, destination B to link layer
- R creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram  
Frame destination address: B's MAC address
- Router consults forwarding table
- Finds IP address of next hop for dst IP
- Rewrites layer 2 header with MAC of next hop (B's MAC here)
- Sends packet out physical port



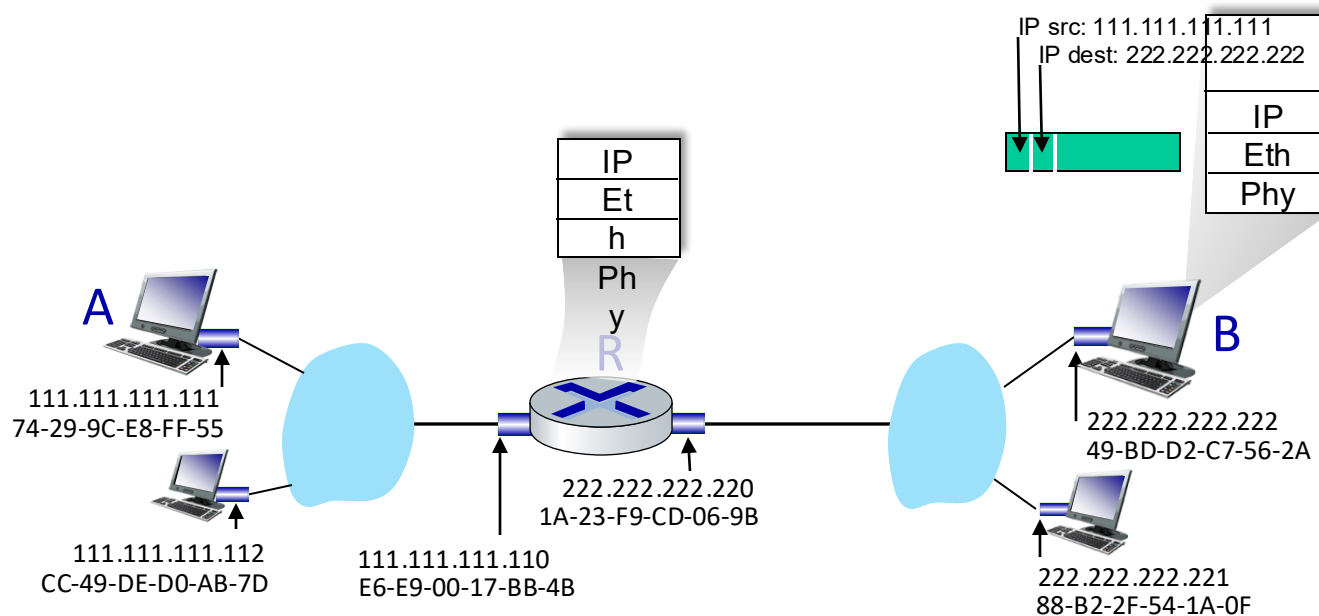
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- Transmits link-layer frame



# Routing to another subnet: addressing

- B receives frame, checks MAC, if match pass to IP layer
- IP layer checks IP address, if match pass to Transport layer
- Transport layer extracts port
- Transport layer passes message to process





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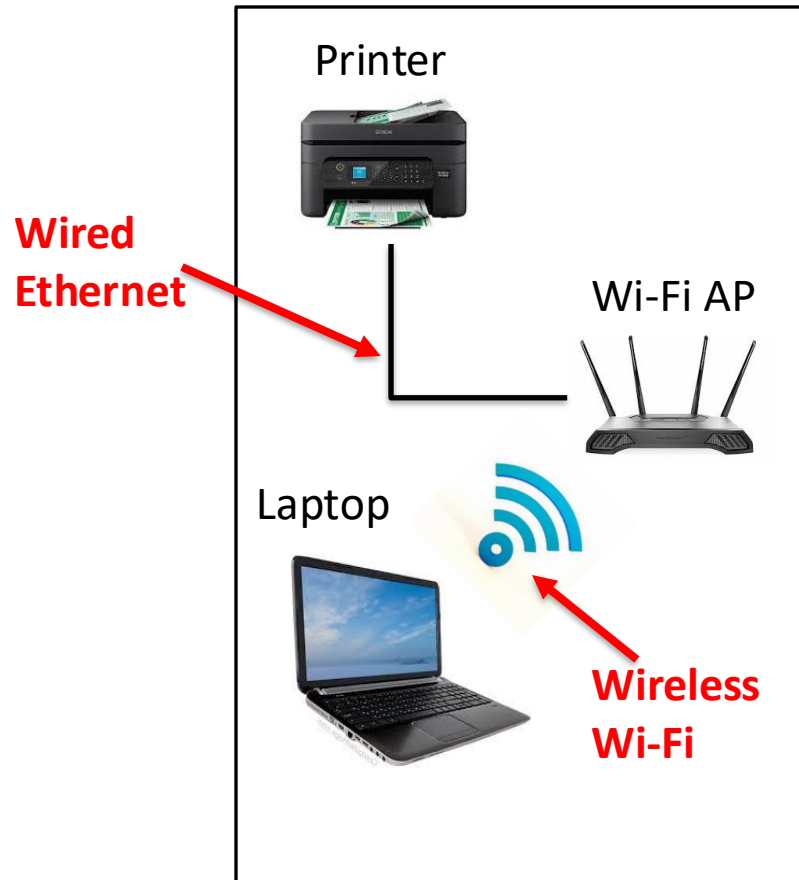
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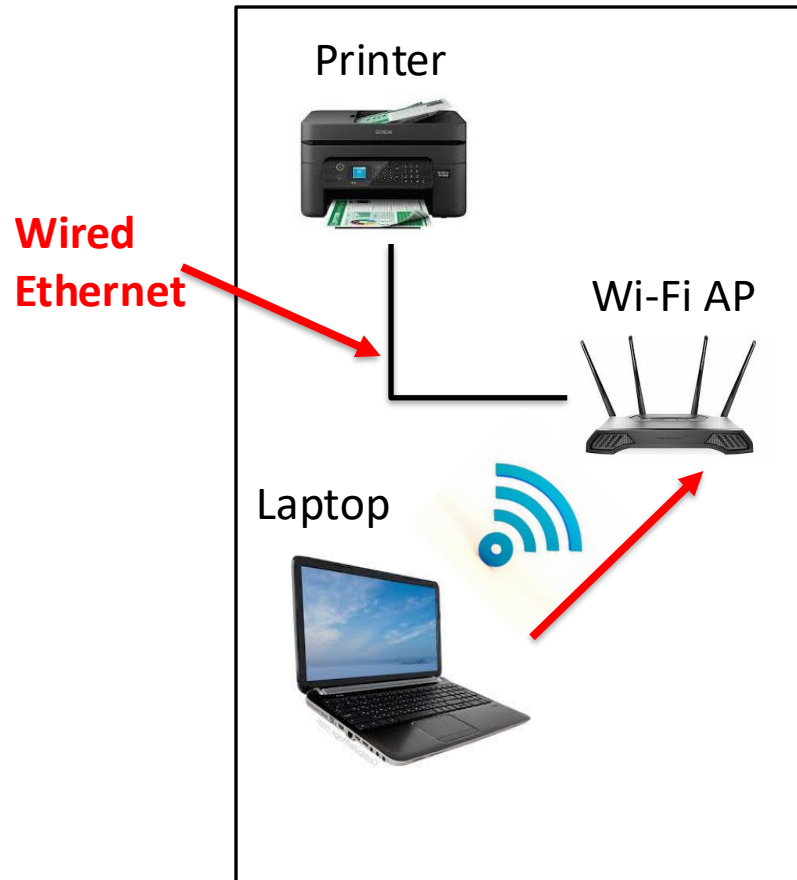


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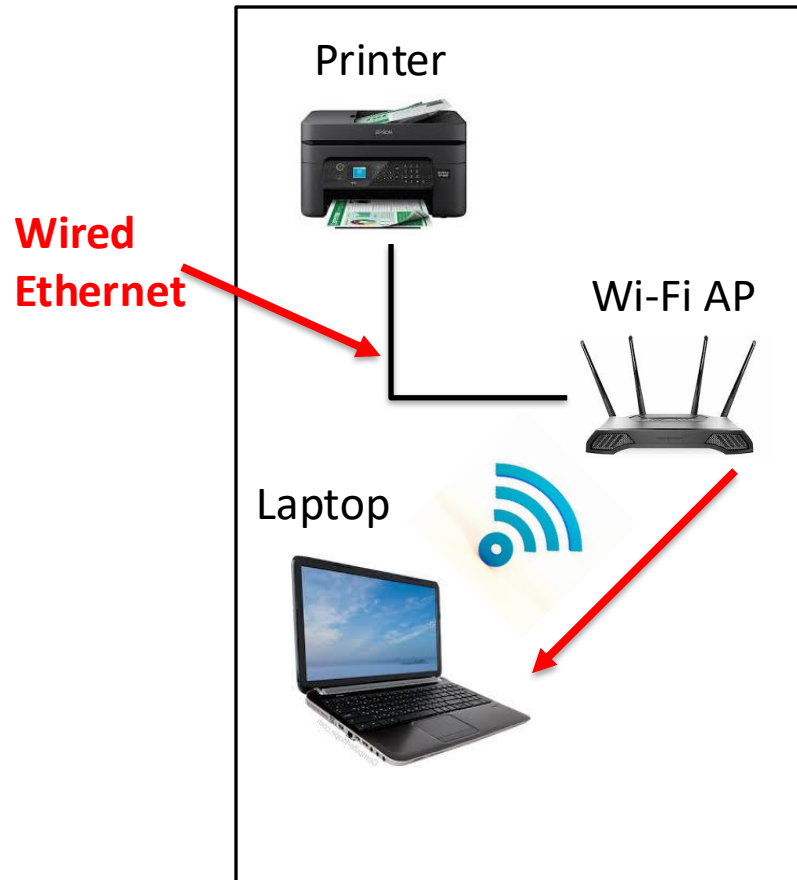
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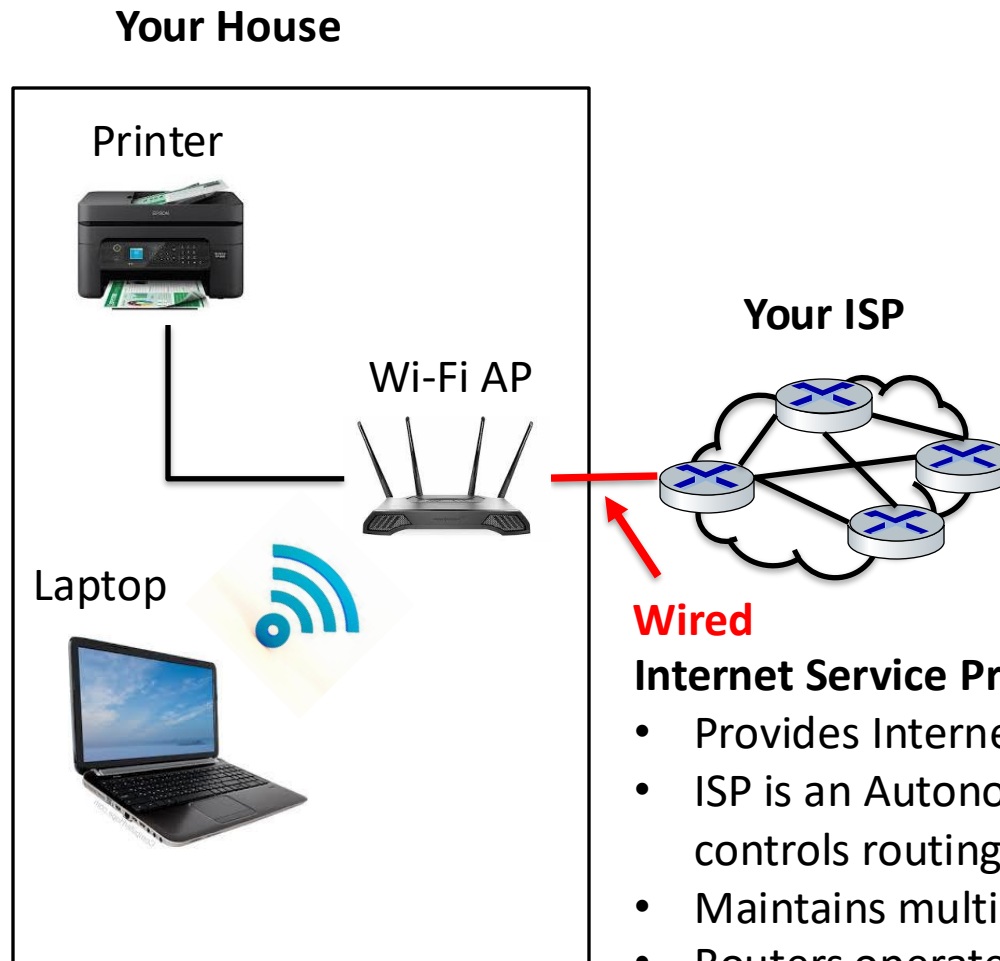


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# Your Wi-Fi AP is connected to your Internet Service Provider (ISP)

## Networking Concepts:

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- **ISP**



## Internet Service Provider (ISP)

- Provides Internet access to clients
- ISP is an Autonomous System (AS), controls routing within its network
- Maintains multiple routers
- Routers operate on Layer 3
  - Forwarding
  - Routing

# Big picture

## Steps:



1. Get routes to Internet sorted out at ISP
2. Get an IP address from ISP and set up NAT

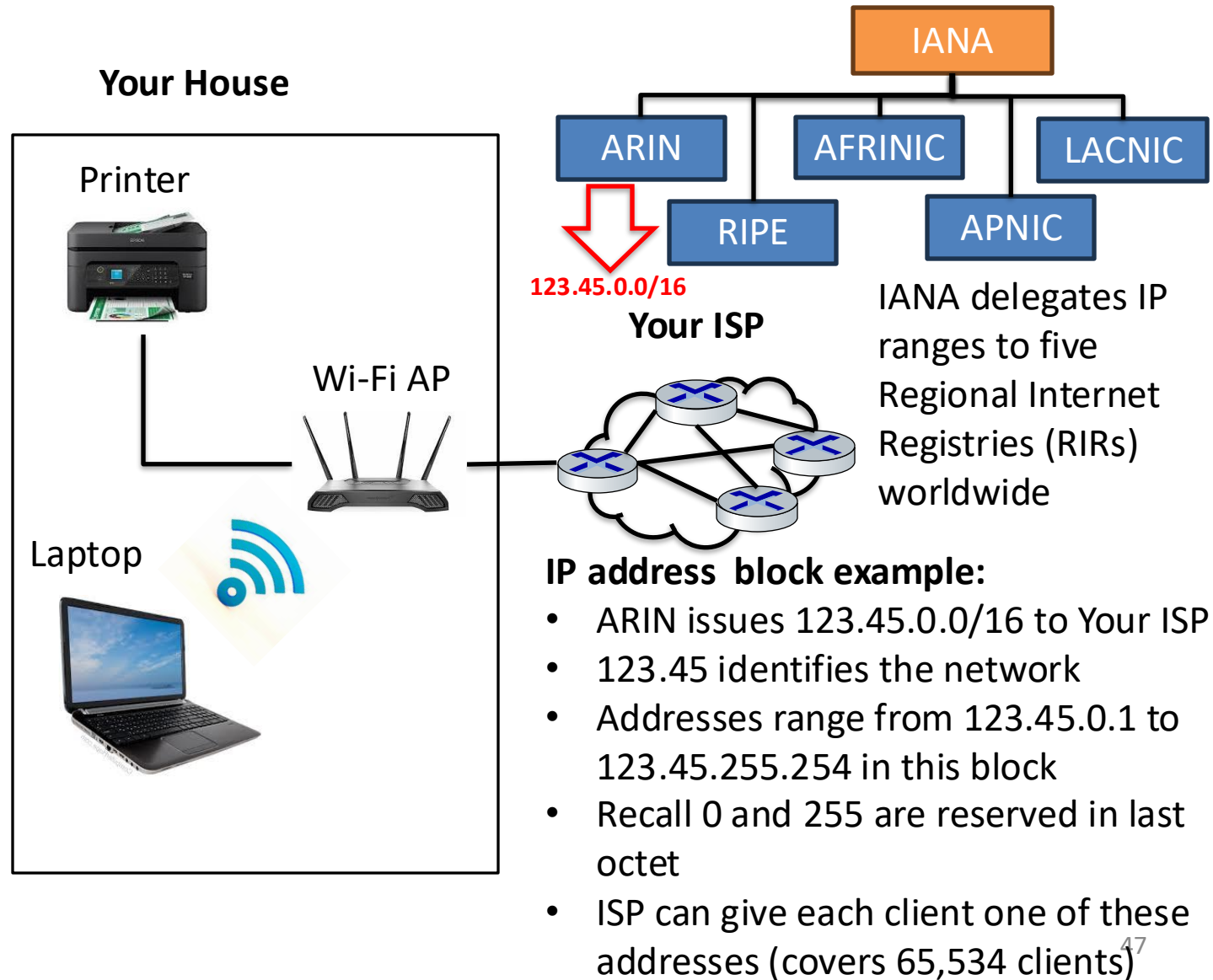
## Examples:

1. Send job from laptop to printer in network
2. Make HTTP web request outside network

# Your ISP got a block of addresses from the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority

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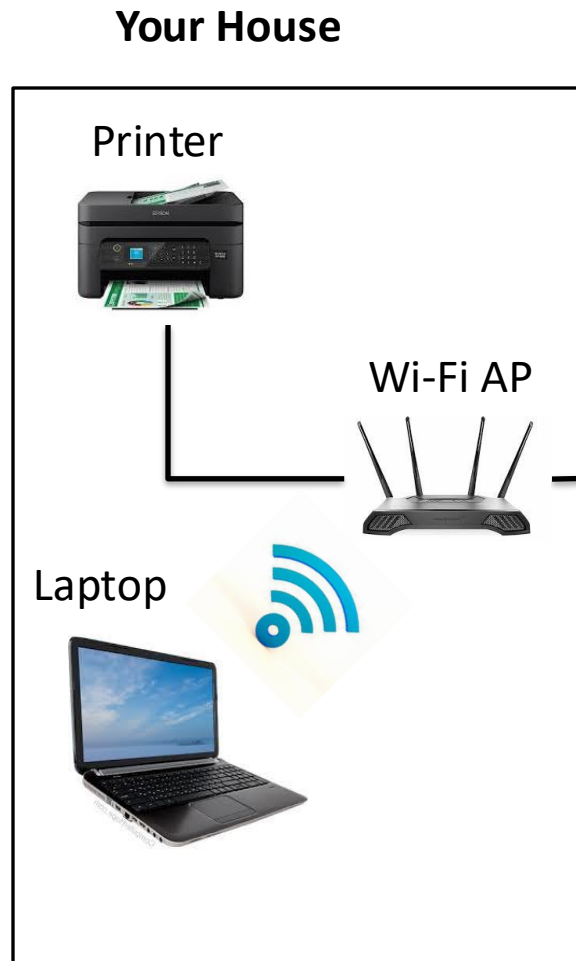
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# Your ISP is an AS that calculated the shortest path routes in its network

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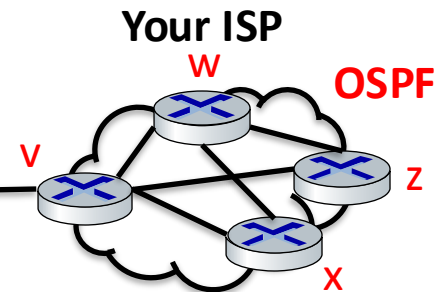
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## v's forwarding table

destination	outgoing link
W	(v,w)
X	(v,x)
Z	(v,x)

**Note: w is something like 123.45.5.0/8**



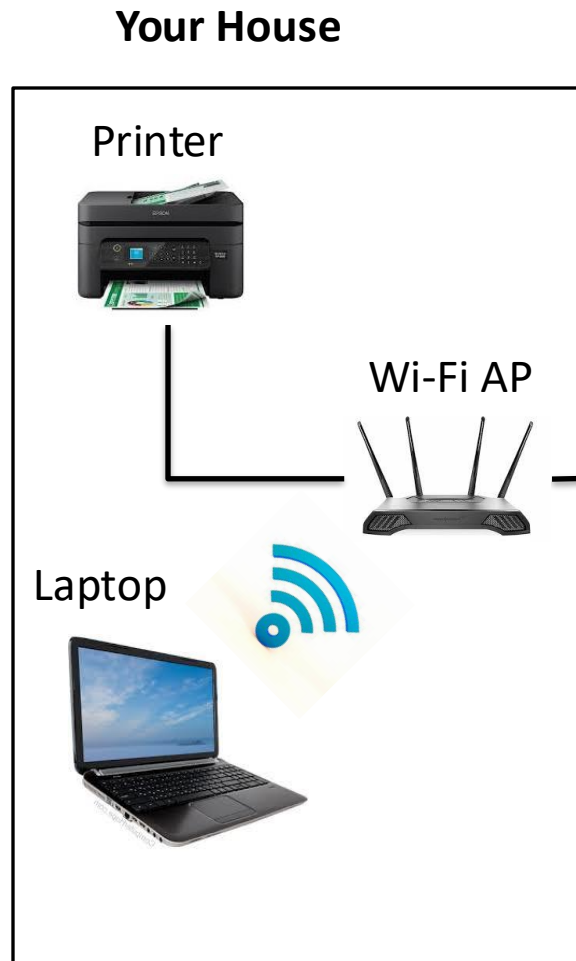
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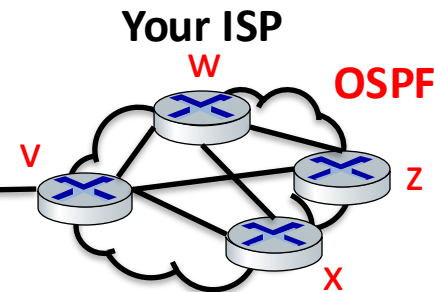
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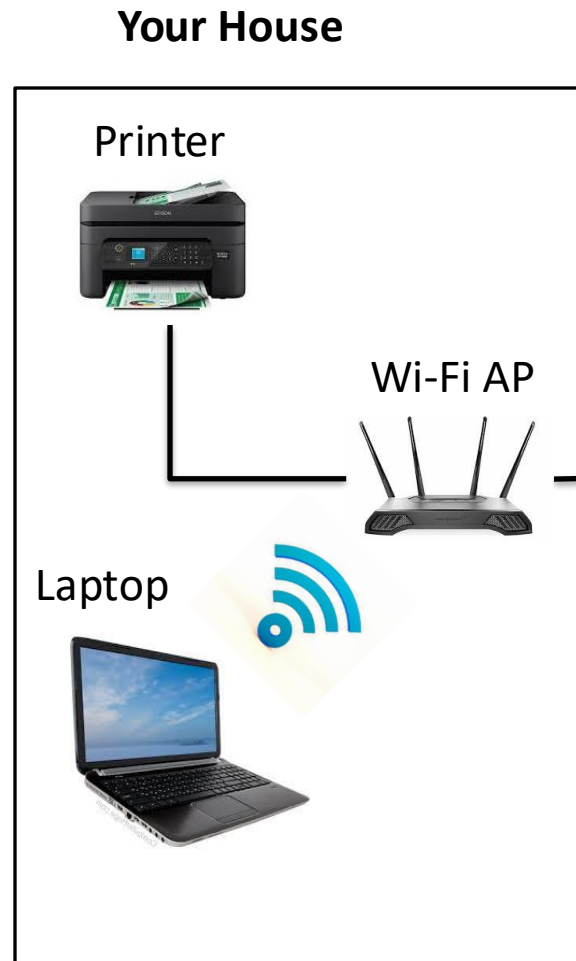


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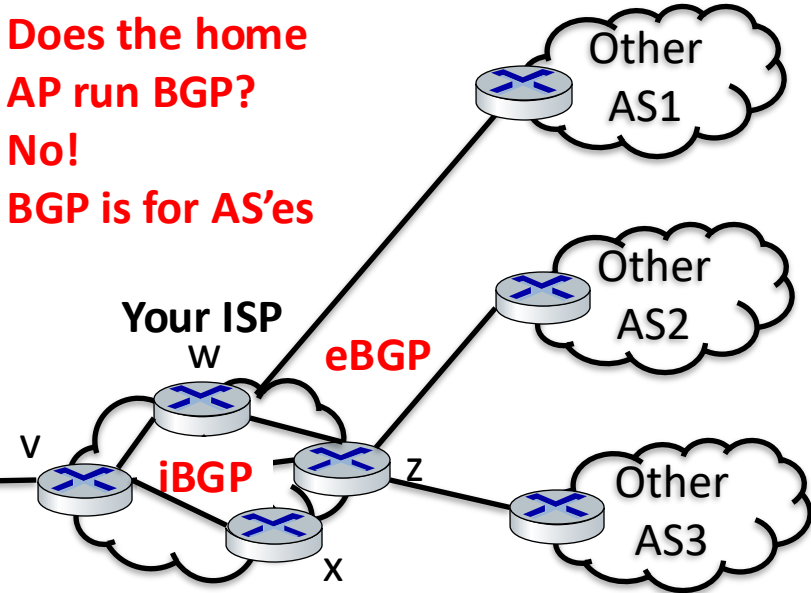
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**Does the home AP run BGP?**  
**No!**  
**BGP is for AS'es**



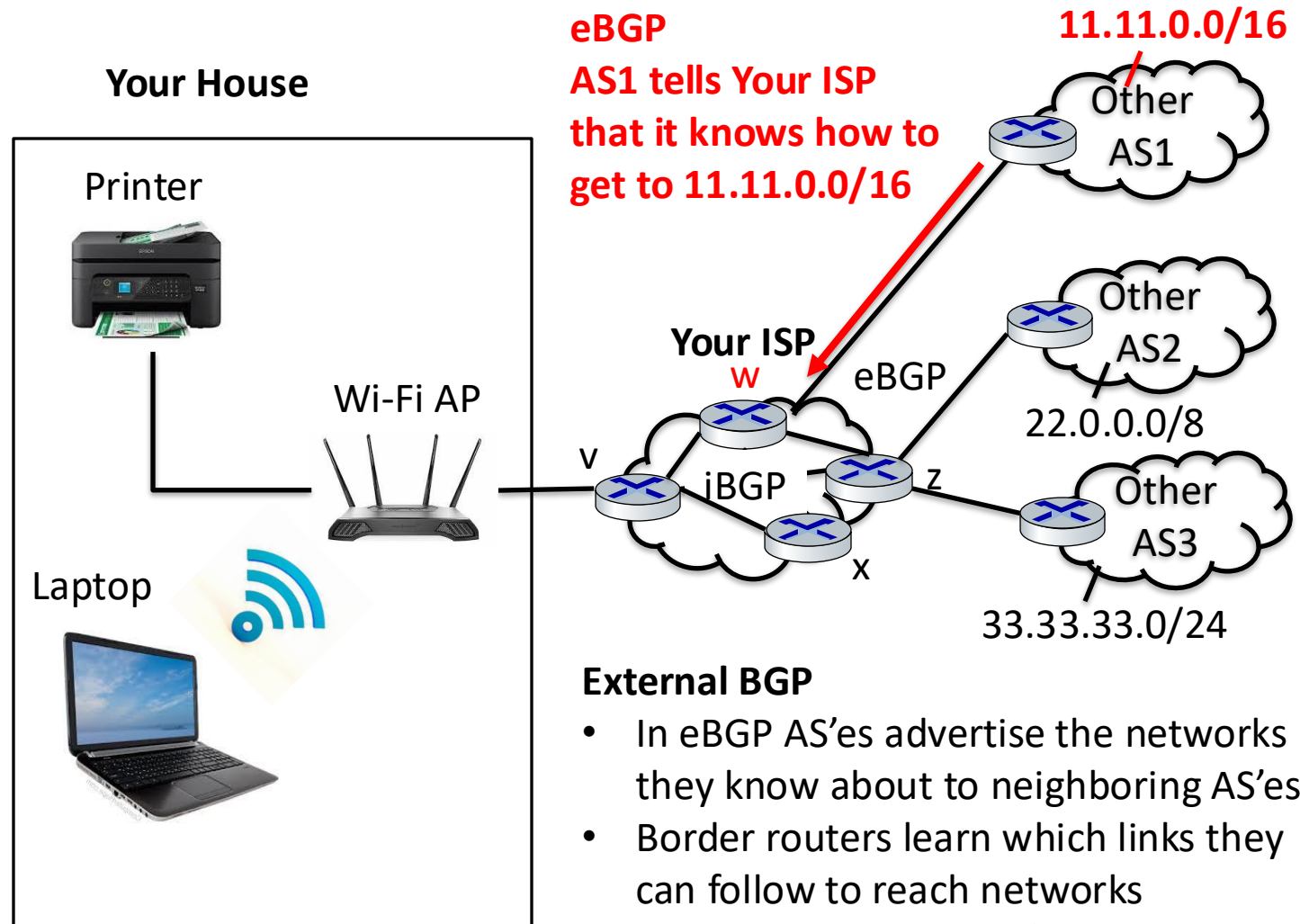
## Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)

- BGP is used to connect AS'es
- AS is a network run by large organizations such as ISPs, large businesses, universities, government
- Two flavors of BGP:
  - External BGP (eBGP)
  - Internal BGP (iBGP)

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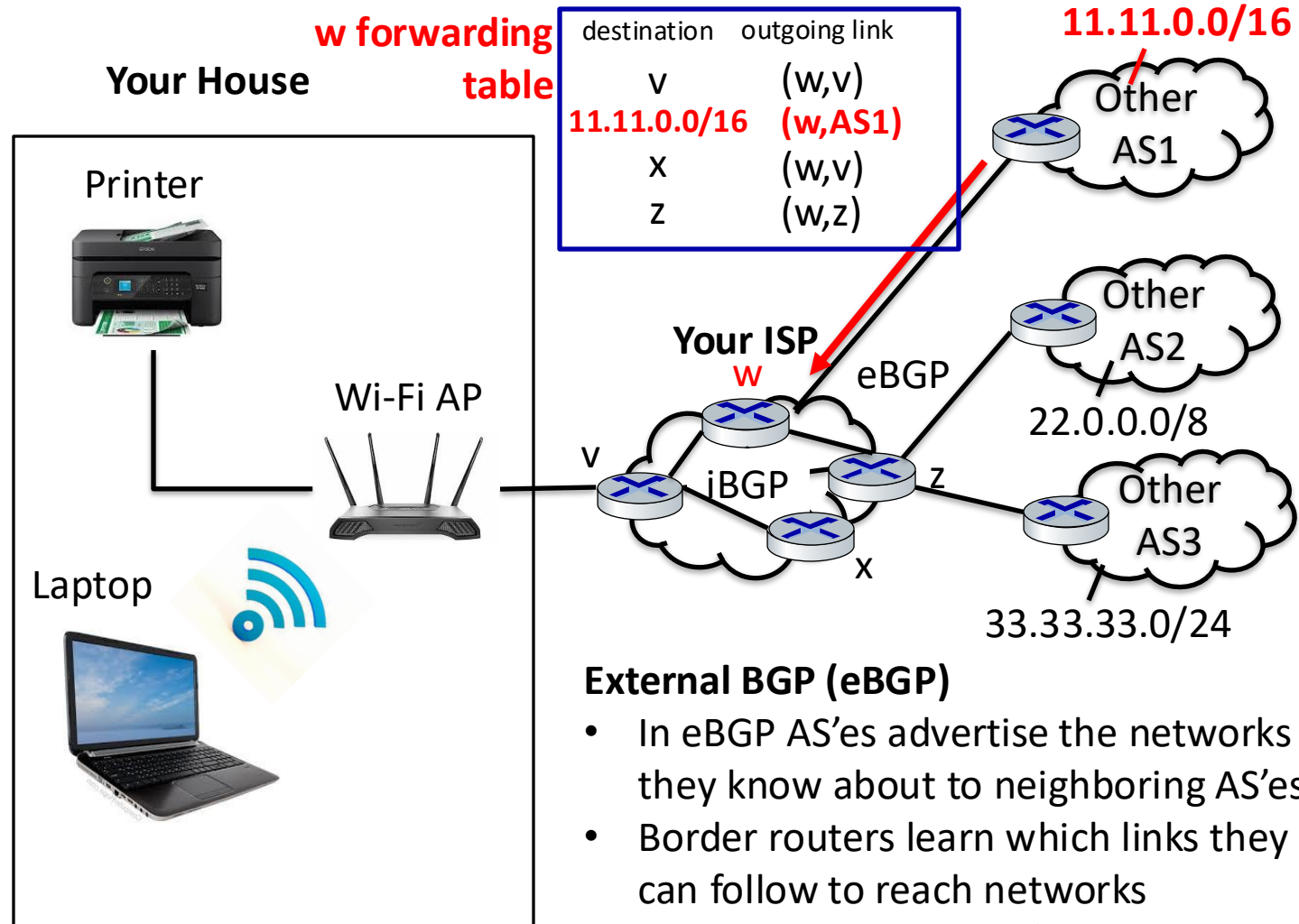
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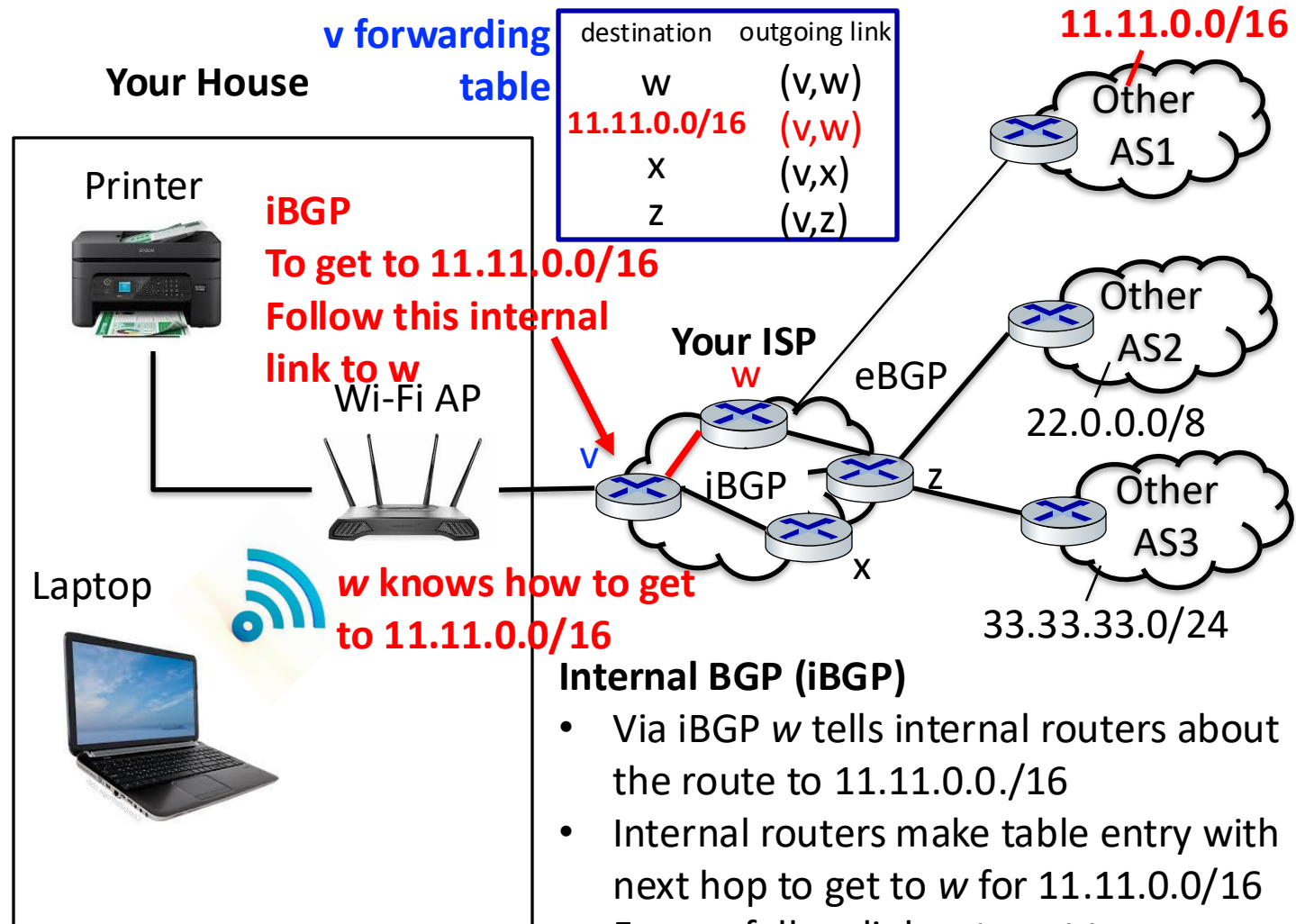
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- In eBGP AS'es advertise the networks they know about to neighboring AS'es
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- **w notes that it can reach 11.11.0.0/16 via link to other ISP**

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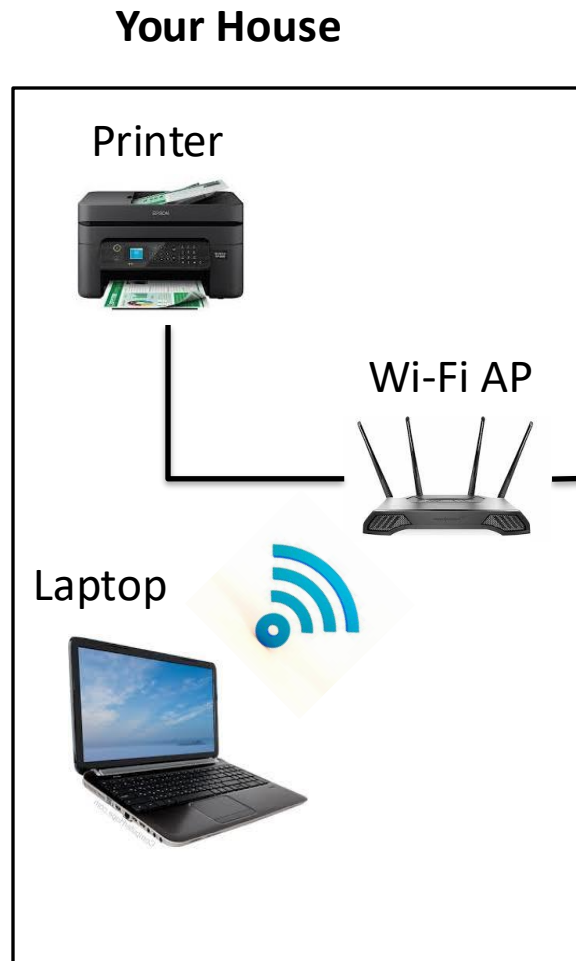
## Internal BGP (iBGP)

- Via iBGP w tells internal routers about the route to 11.11.0.0./16
- Internal routers make table entry with next hop to get to w for 11.11.0.0/16
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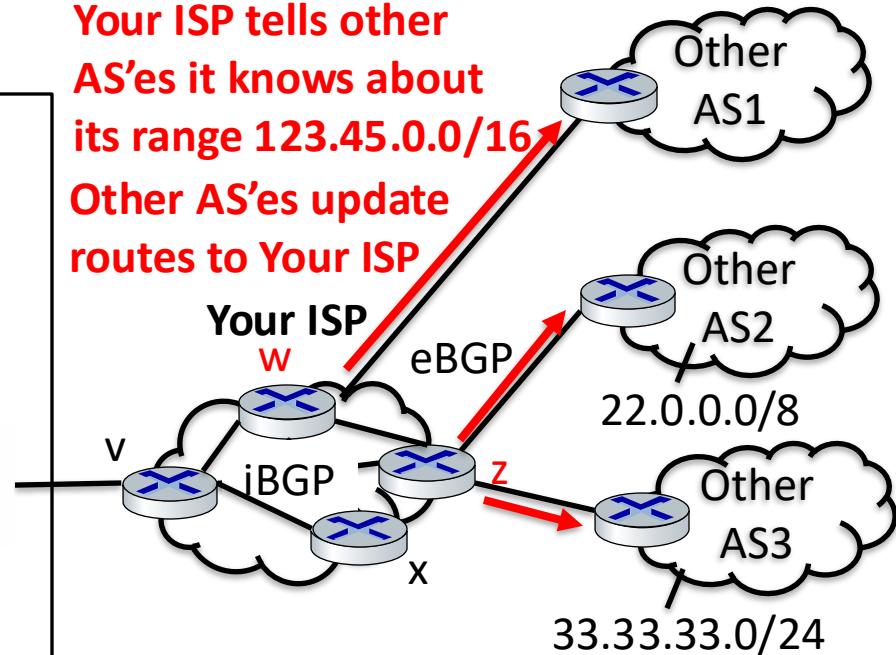
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## eBGP

**Your ISP tells other AS'es it knows about its range 123.45.0.0/16**  
**Other AS'es update routes to Your ISP**



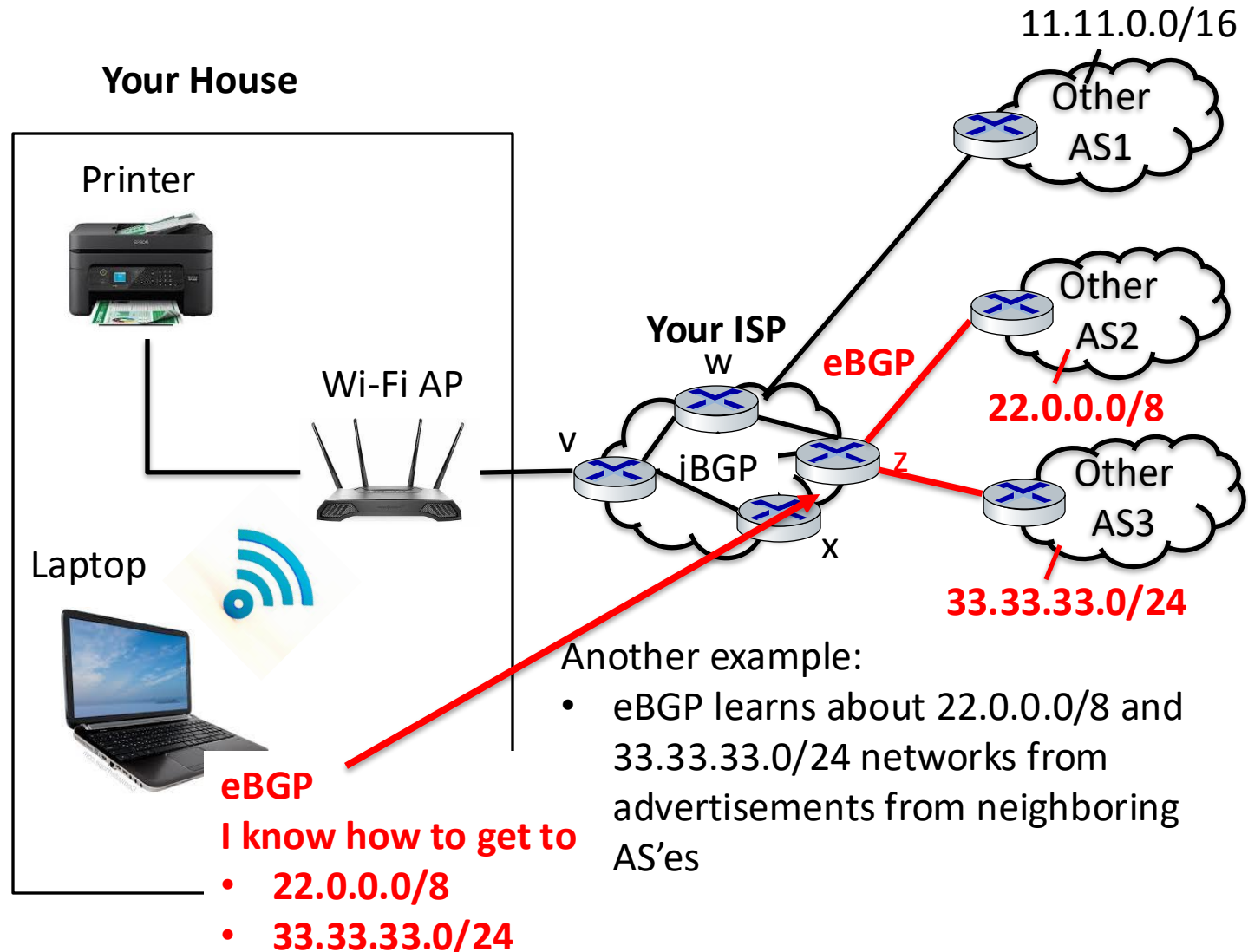
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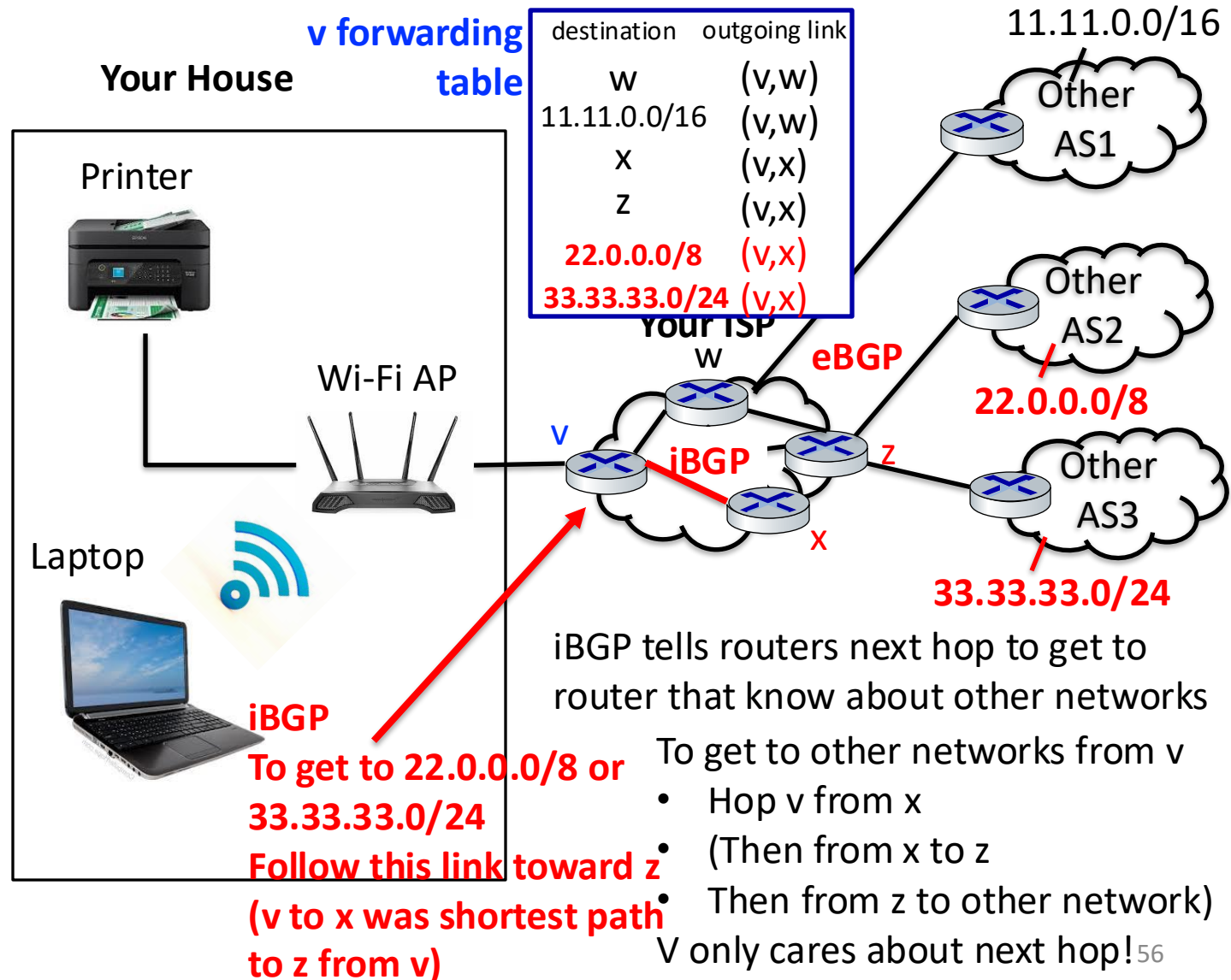




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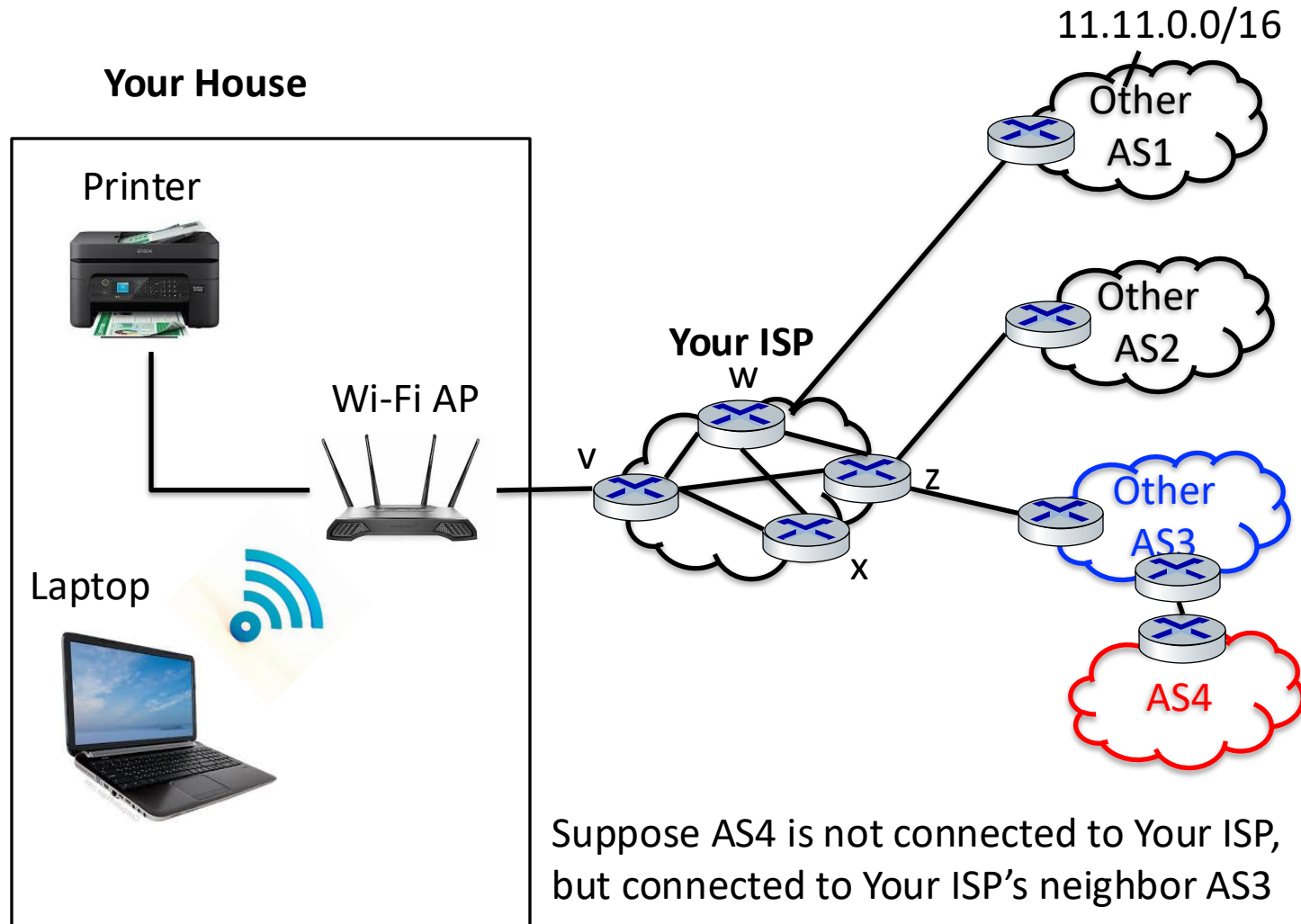




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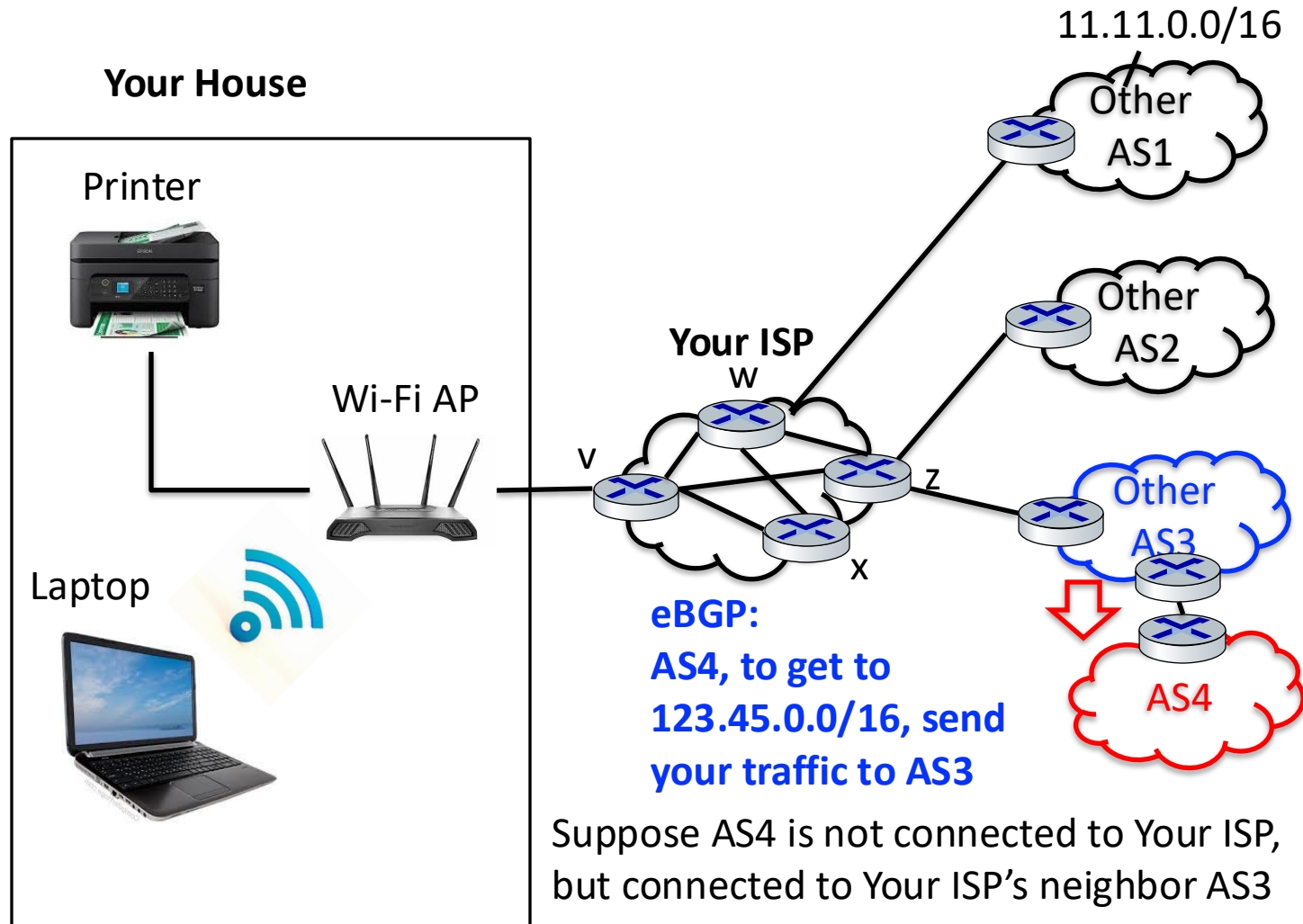
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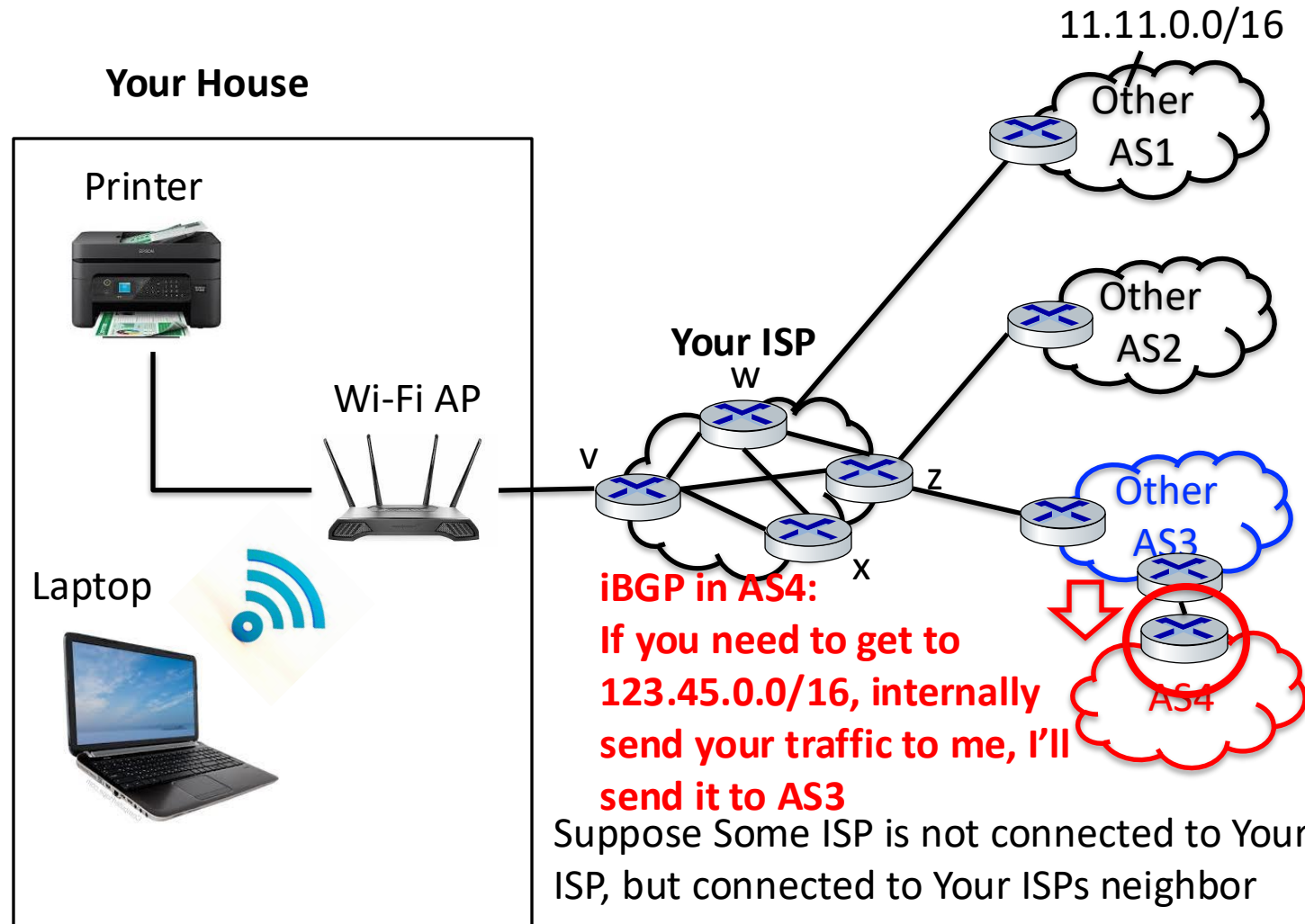
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Neighbor tells its neighbor to route through it to get to Your ISP

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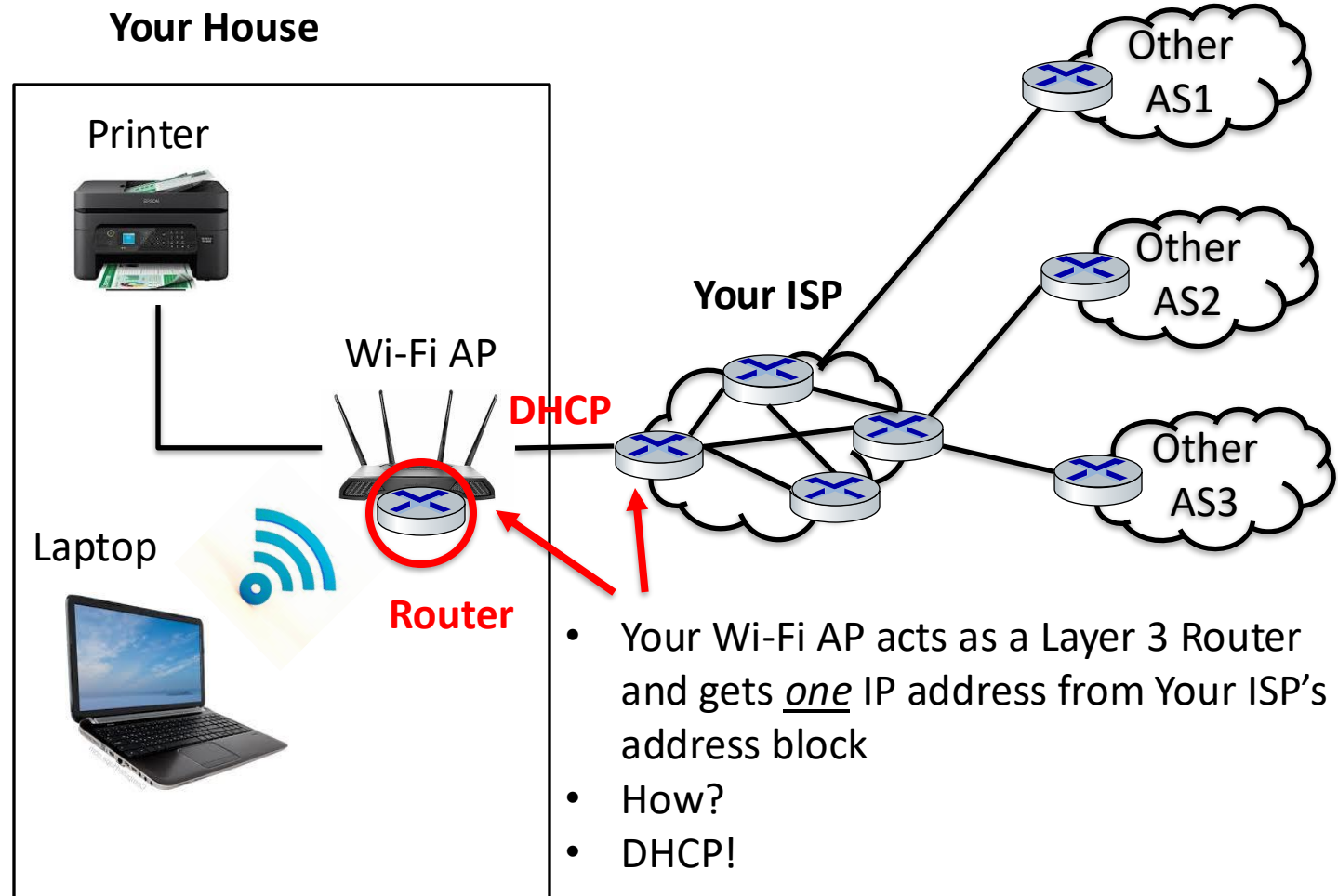
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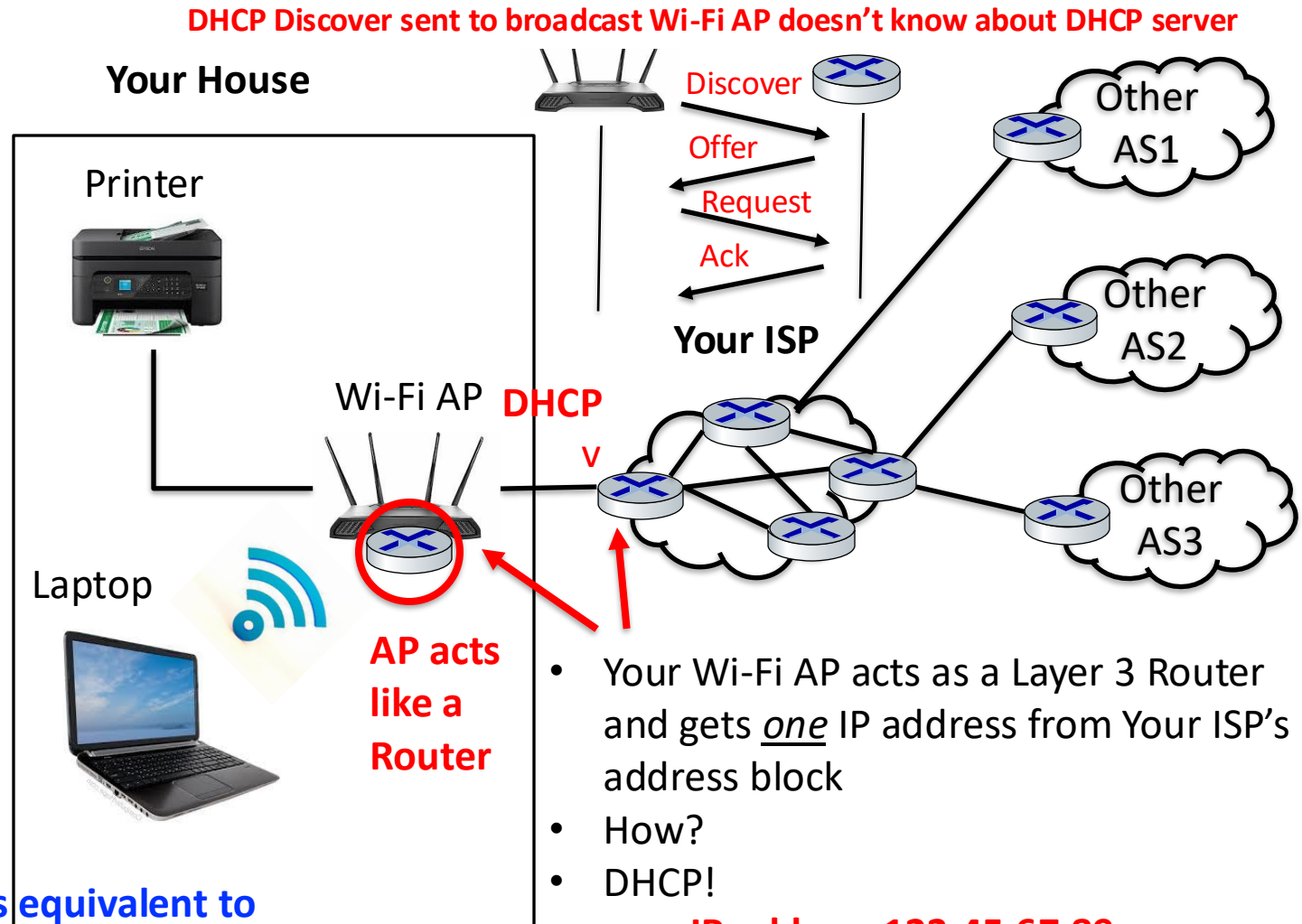
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**Note: the netmask is equivalent to 123.45.67.89/32, just one address!**  
**All 32 netmask bits identify the network, no hosts**

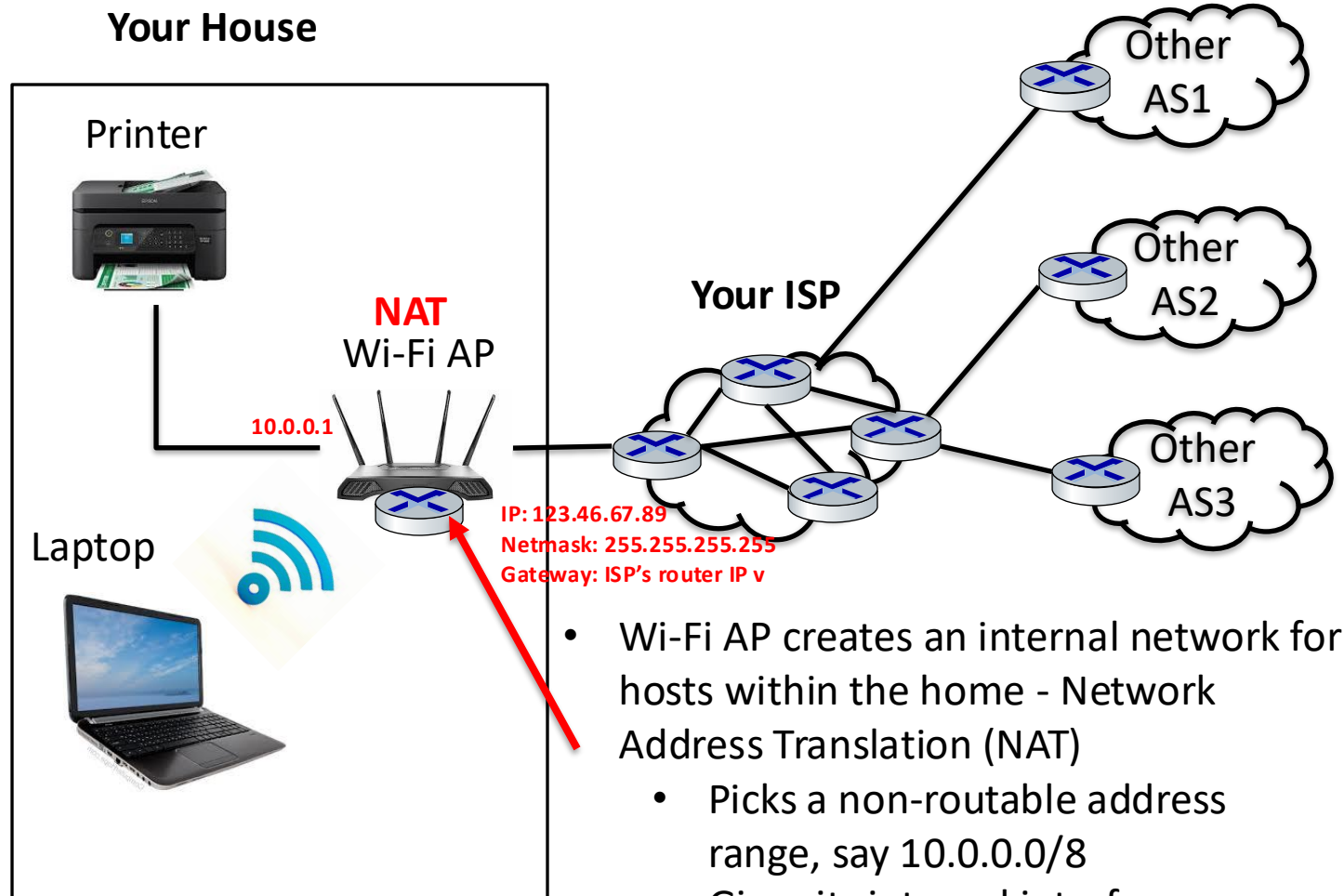
- Your Wi-Fi AP acts as a Layer 3 Router and gets one IP address from Your ISP's address block
- How?
- DHCP!

- **IP address 123.45.67.89**
- **Network mask 255.255.255.255**
- **ISP's router v as next hop gateway**

# Your Wi-Fi AP sets up Network Address Translation

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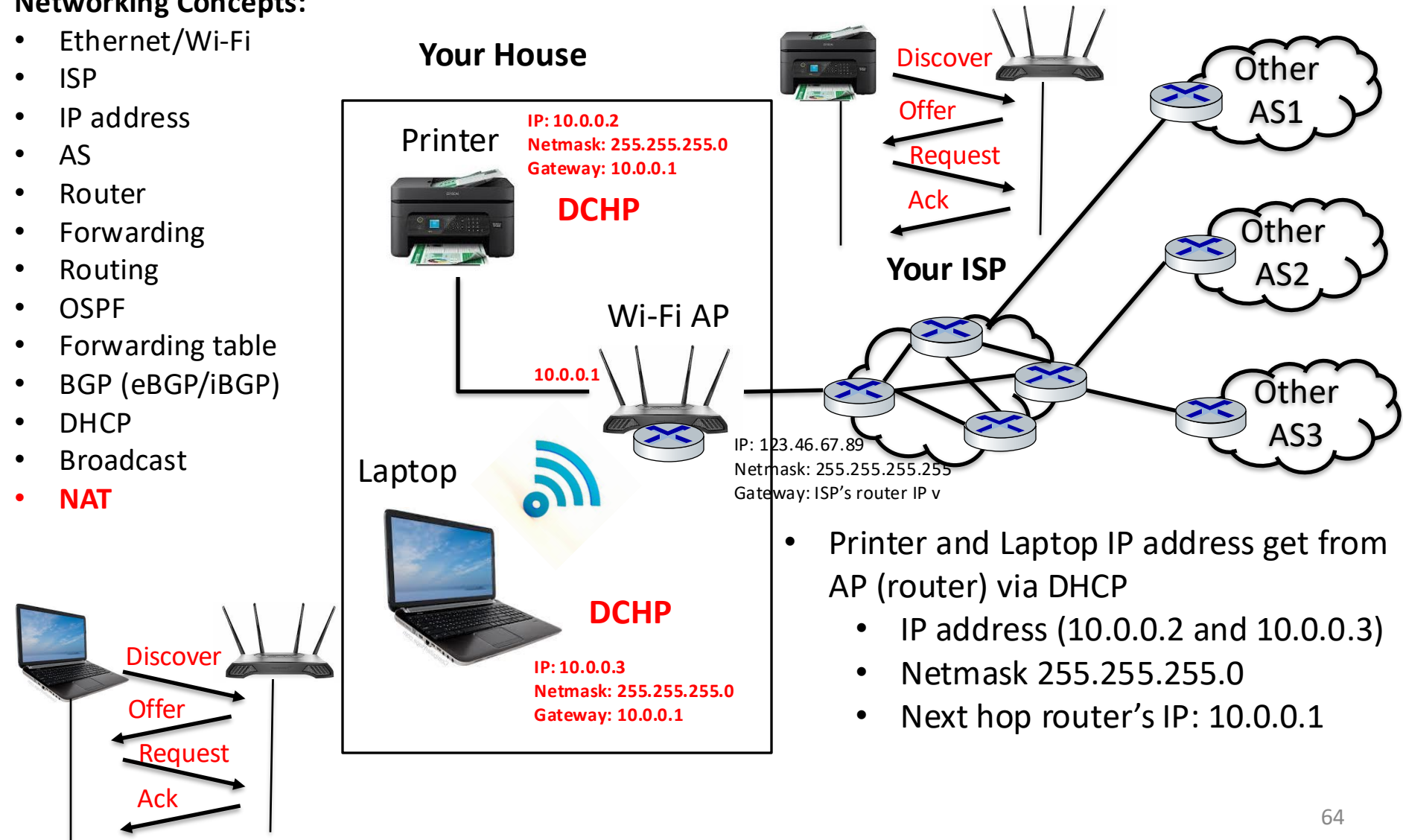




# Hosts on the LAN get IP address, netmask, and next hop IP via DHCP

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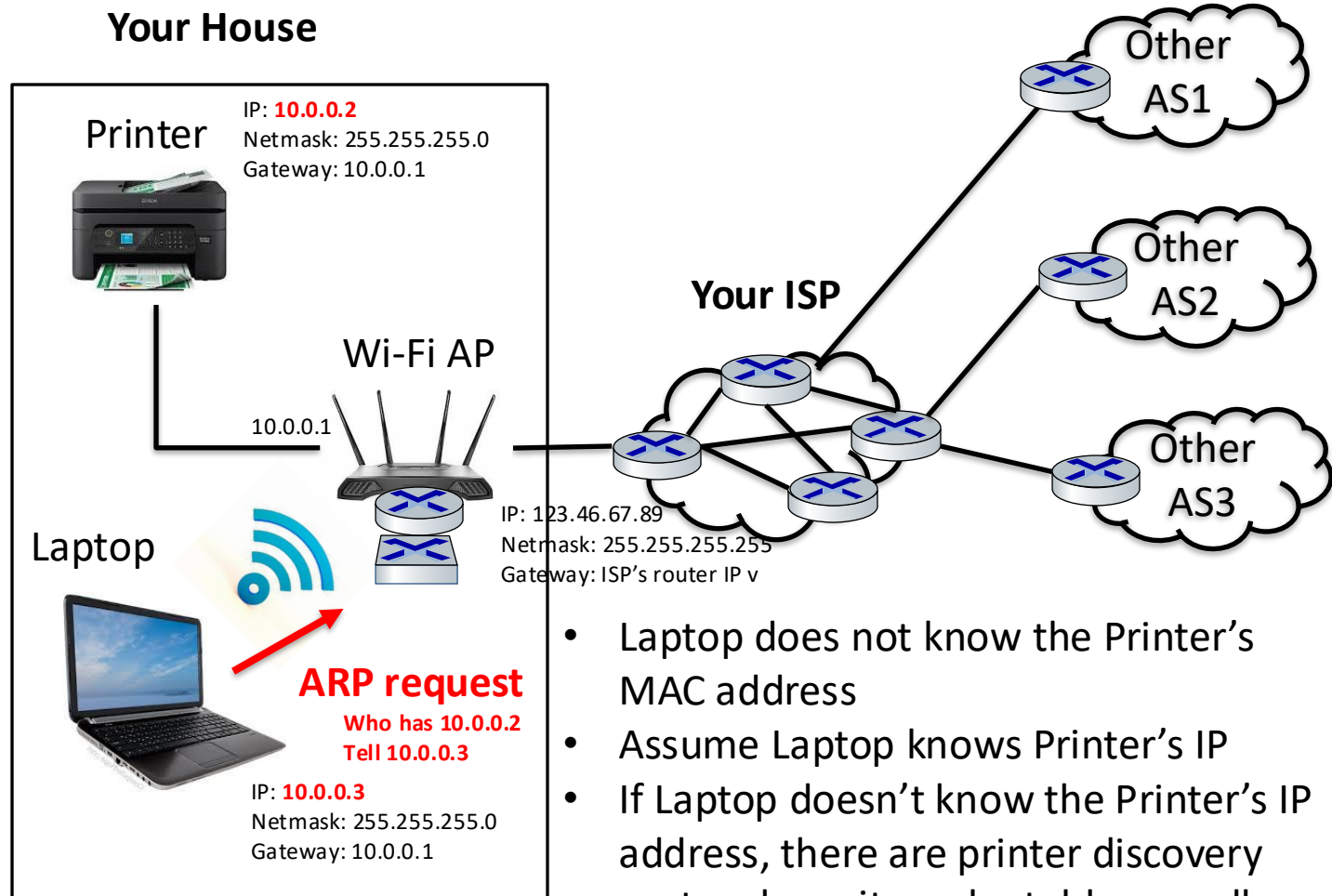
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# Laptop wants to send a print job to the printer on the internal network

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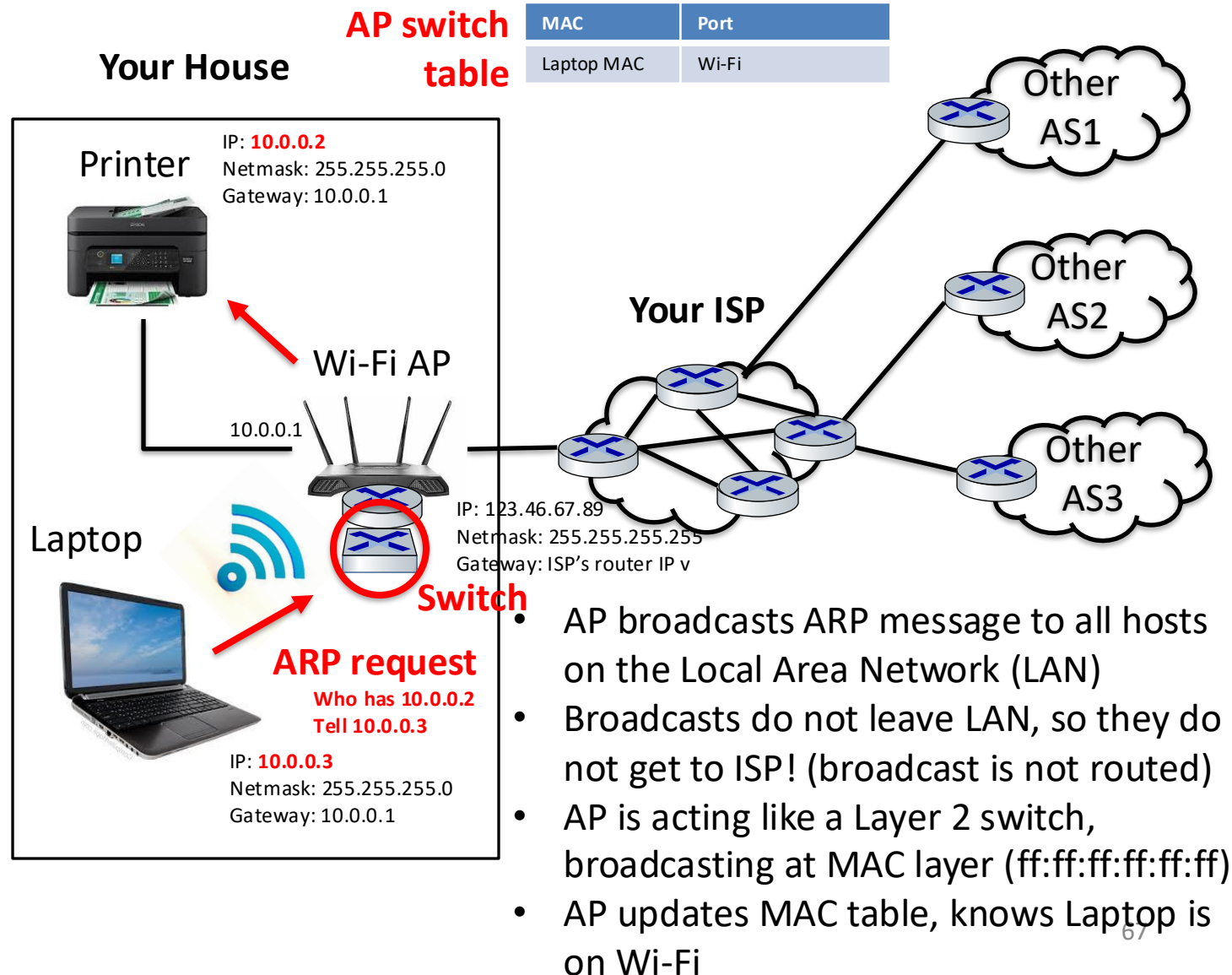


- Laptop does not know the Printer's MAC address
- Assume Laptop knows Printer's IP
- If Laptop doesn't know the Printer's IP address, there are printer discovery protocols, or it can be told manually
- Laptop sends an ARP message looking for "who has IP address, tell Laptop"

# Laptop wants to send a print job to the printer, uses Address Resolution Protocol

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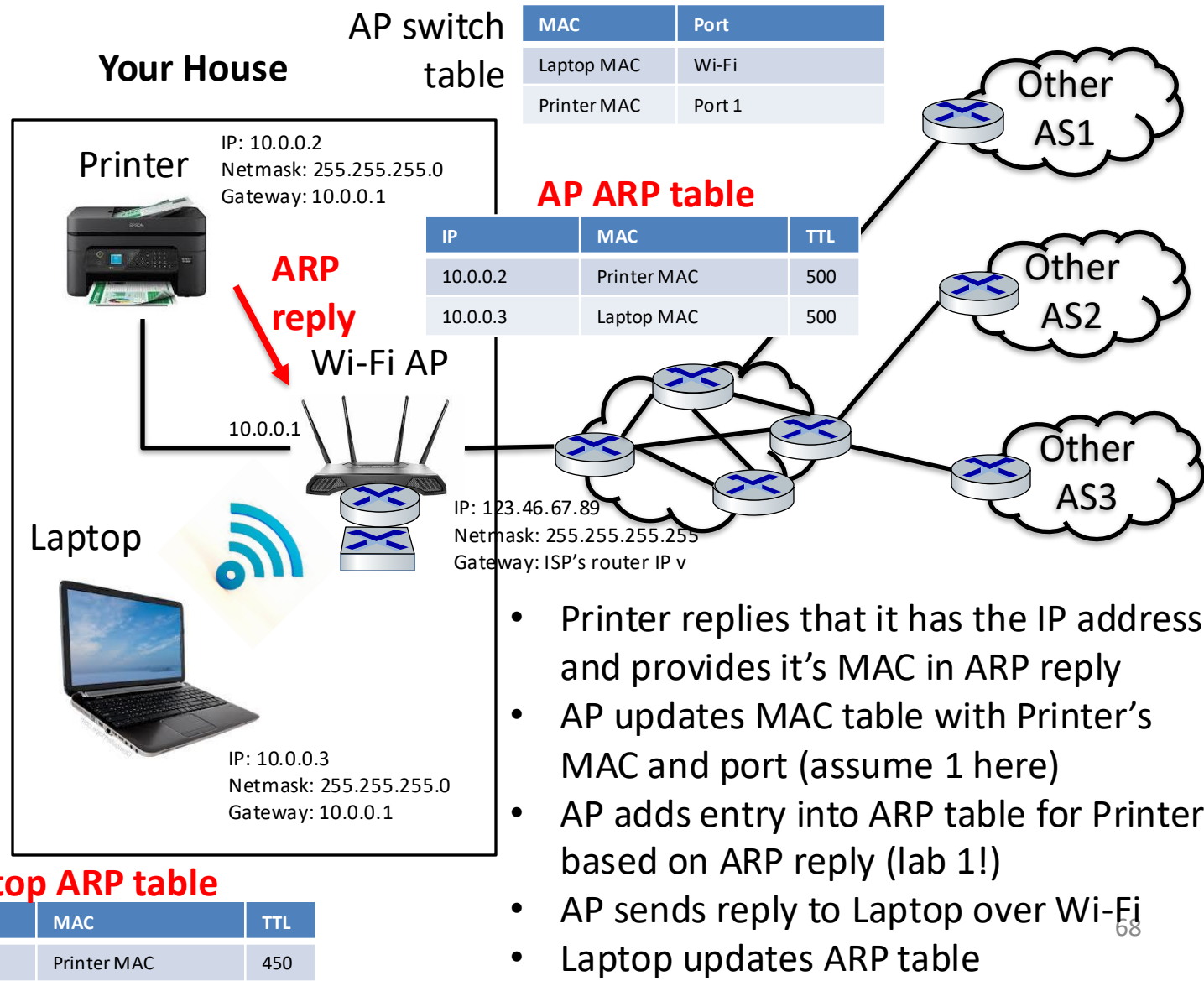


- AP broadcasts ARP message to all hosts on the Local Area Network (LAN)
- Broadcasts do not leave LAN, so they do not get to ISP! (broadcast is not routed)
- AP is acting like a Layer 2 switch, broadcasting at MAC layer (ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff)
- AP updates MAC table, knows Laptop is on Wi-Fi

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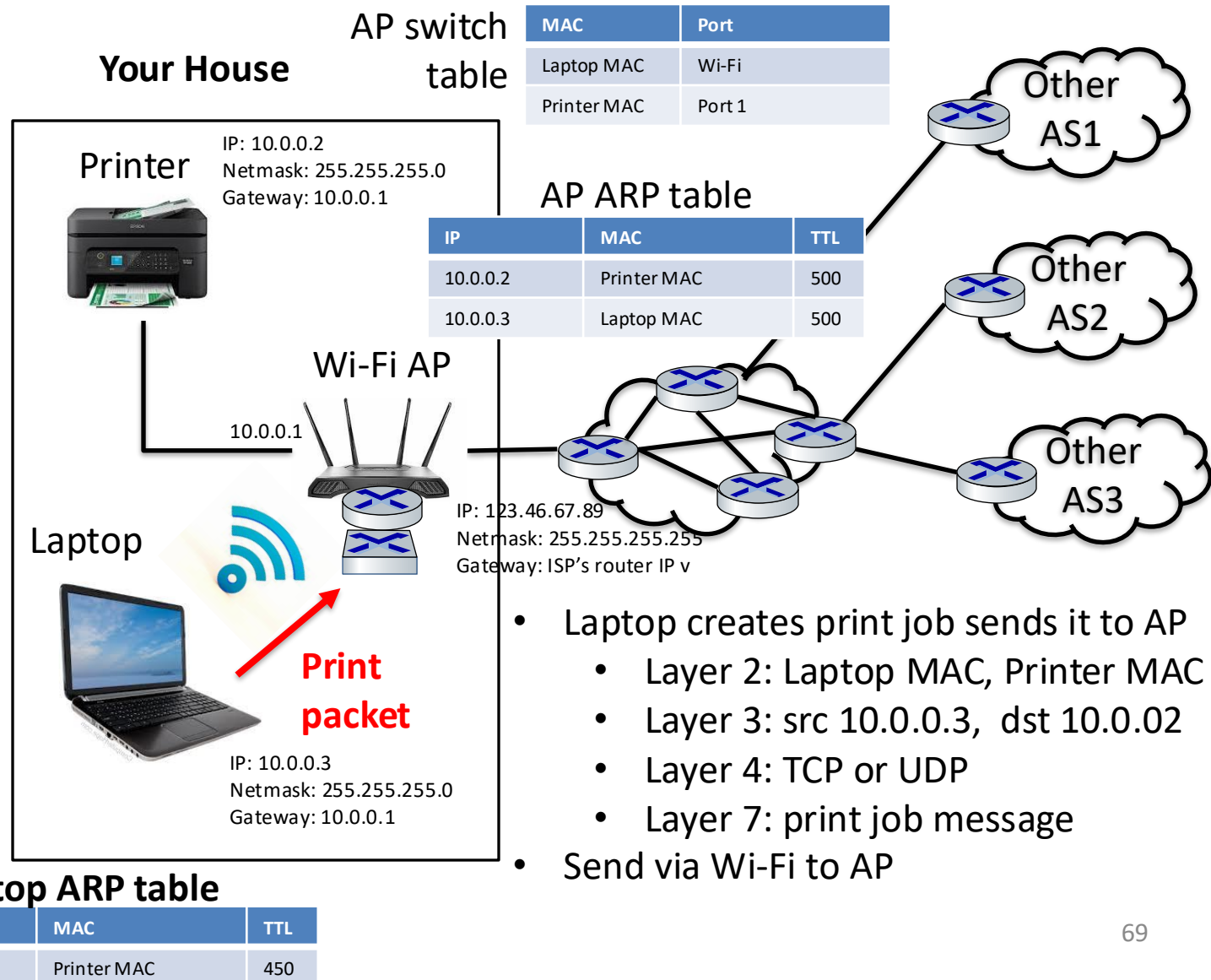


- Printer replies that it has the IP address and provides its MAC in ARP reply
- AP updates MAC table with Printer's MAC and port (assume 1 here)
- AP adds entry into ARP table for Printer based on ARP reply (lab 1!)
- AP sends reply to Laptop over Wi-Fi
- Laptop updates ARP table

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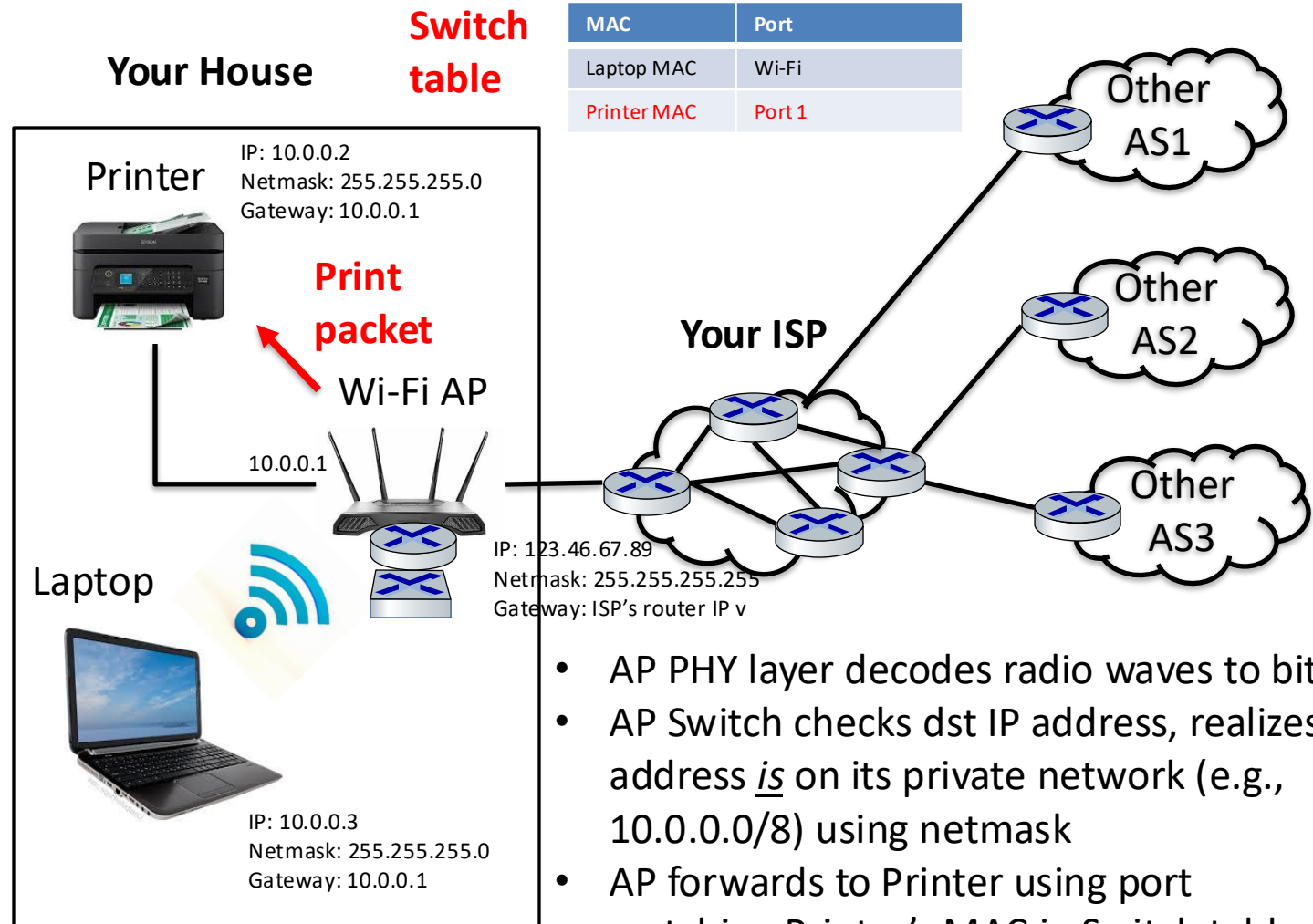


- Laptop creates print job sends it to AP
  - Layer 2: Laptop MAC, Printer MAC
  - Layer 3: src 10.0.0.3, dst 10.0.0.2
  - Layer 4: TCP or UDP
  - Layer 7: print job message
- Send via Wi-Fi to AP

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## Laptop ARP table

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- AP PHY layer decodes radio waves to bits
- AP Switch checks dst IP address, realizes address is on its private network (e.g., 10.0.0.0/8) using netmask
- AP forwards to Printer using port matching Printer's MAC in Switch table
- No routing needed
- Routing happens when leaving LAN

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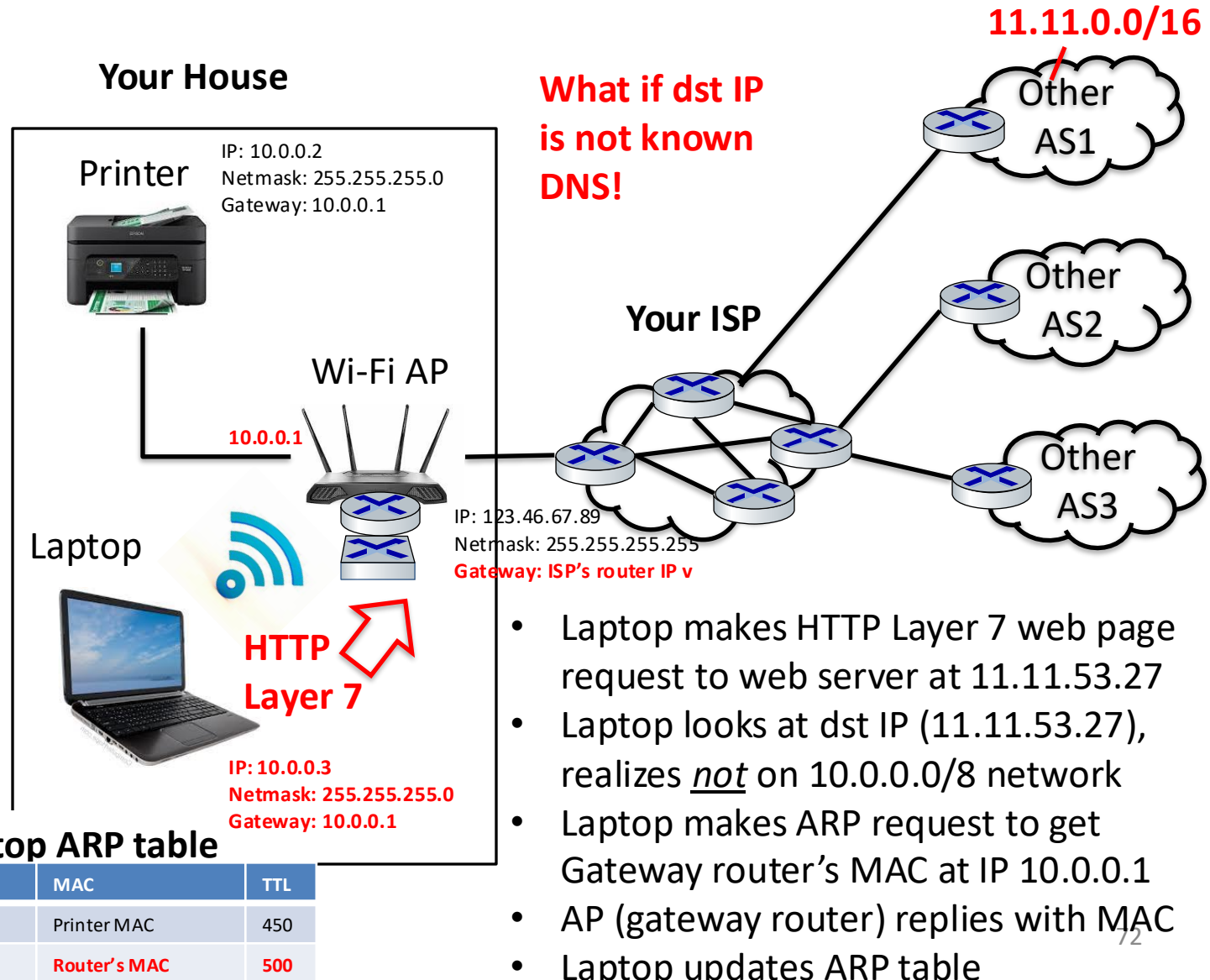
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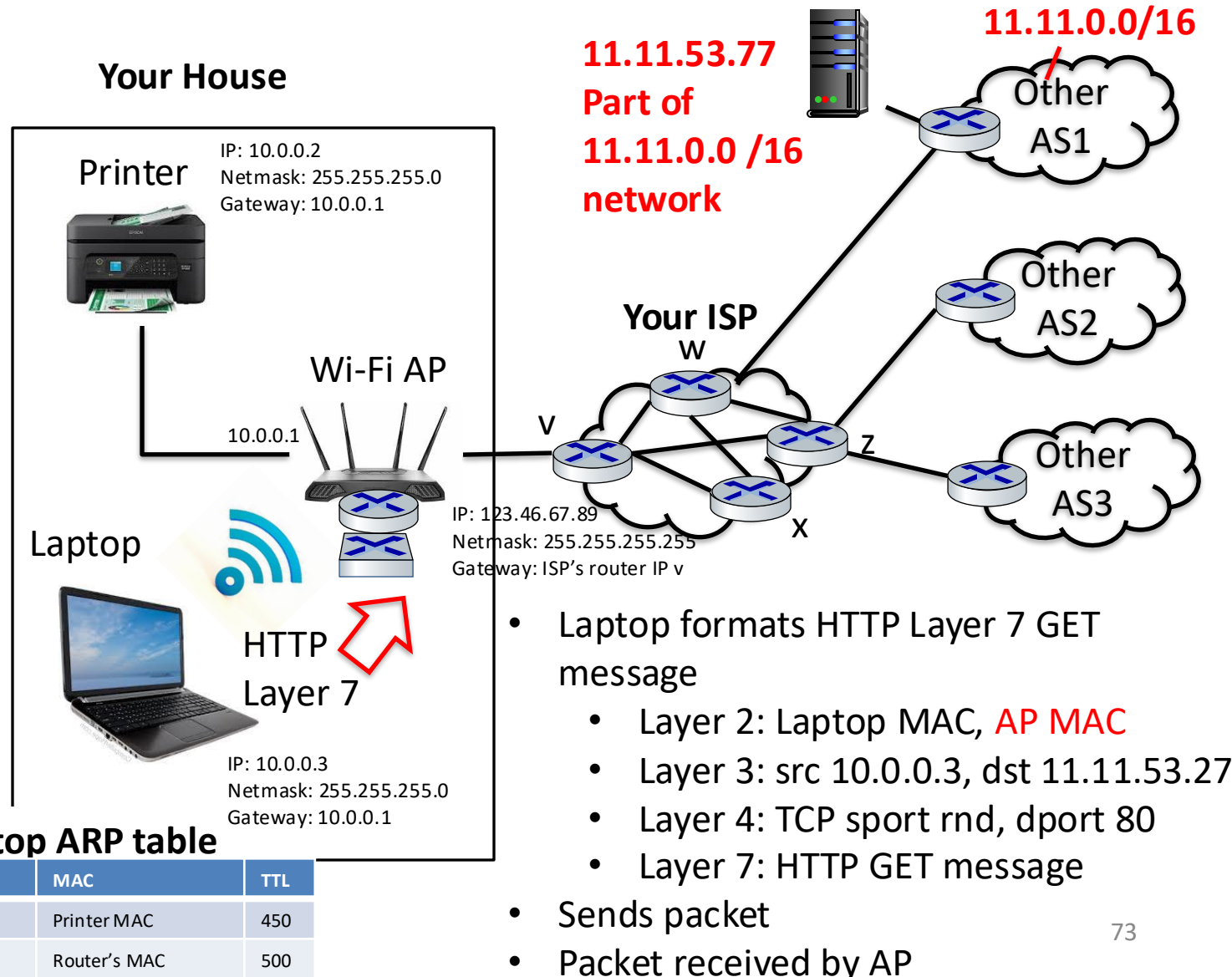




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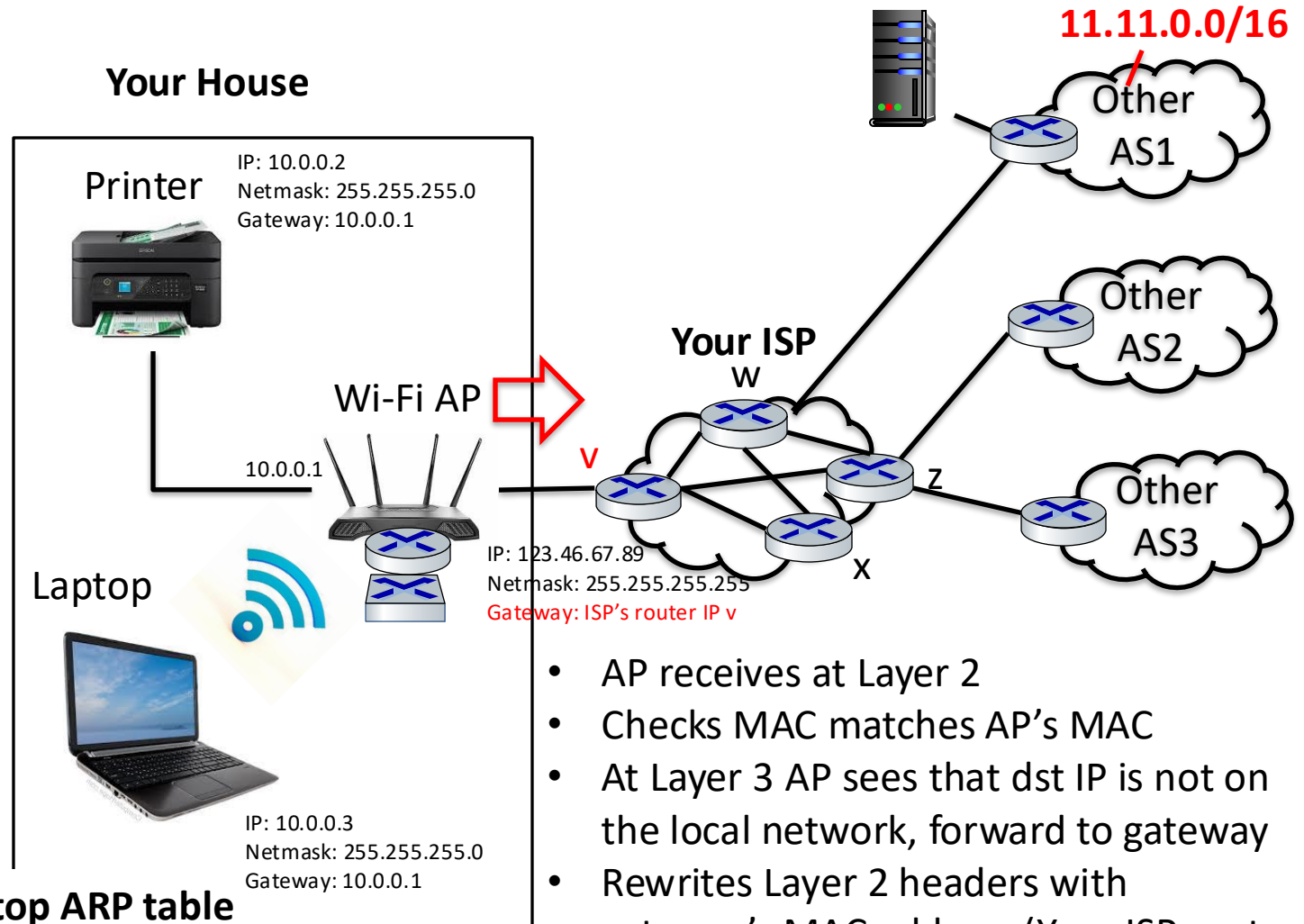
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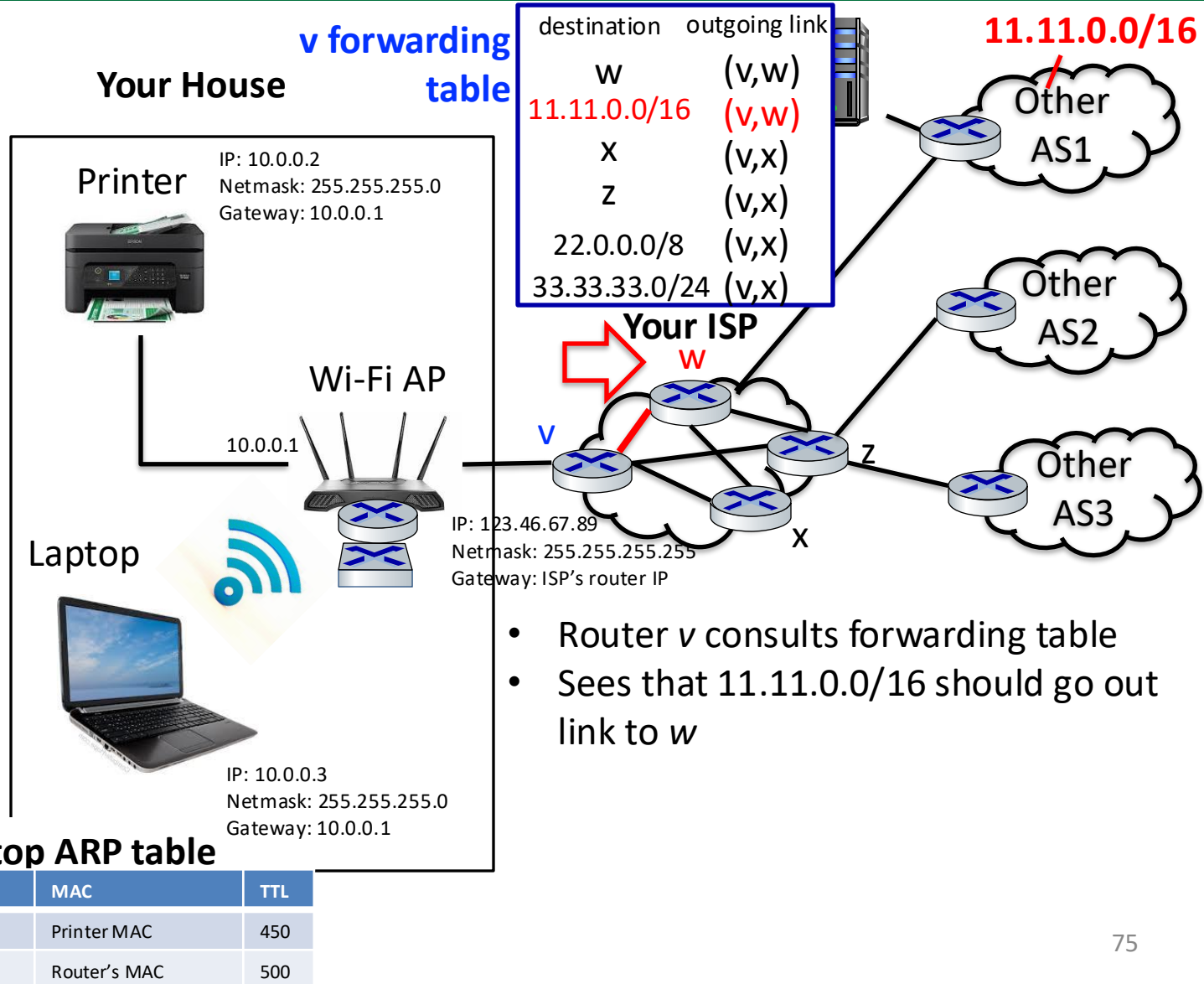
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- AP receives at Layer 2
- Checks MAC matches AP's MAC
- At Layer 3 AP sees that dst IP is not on the local network, forward to gateway
- Rewrites Layer 2 headers with gateway's MAC address (Your ISP router v) as dst MAC
- Route packet to ISP router v

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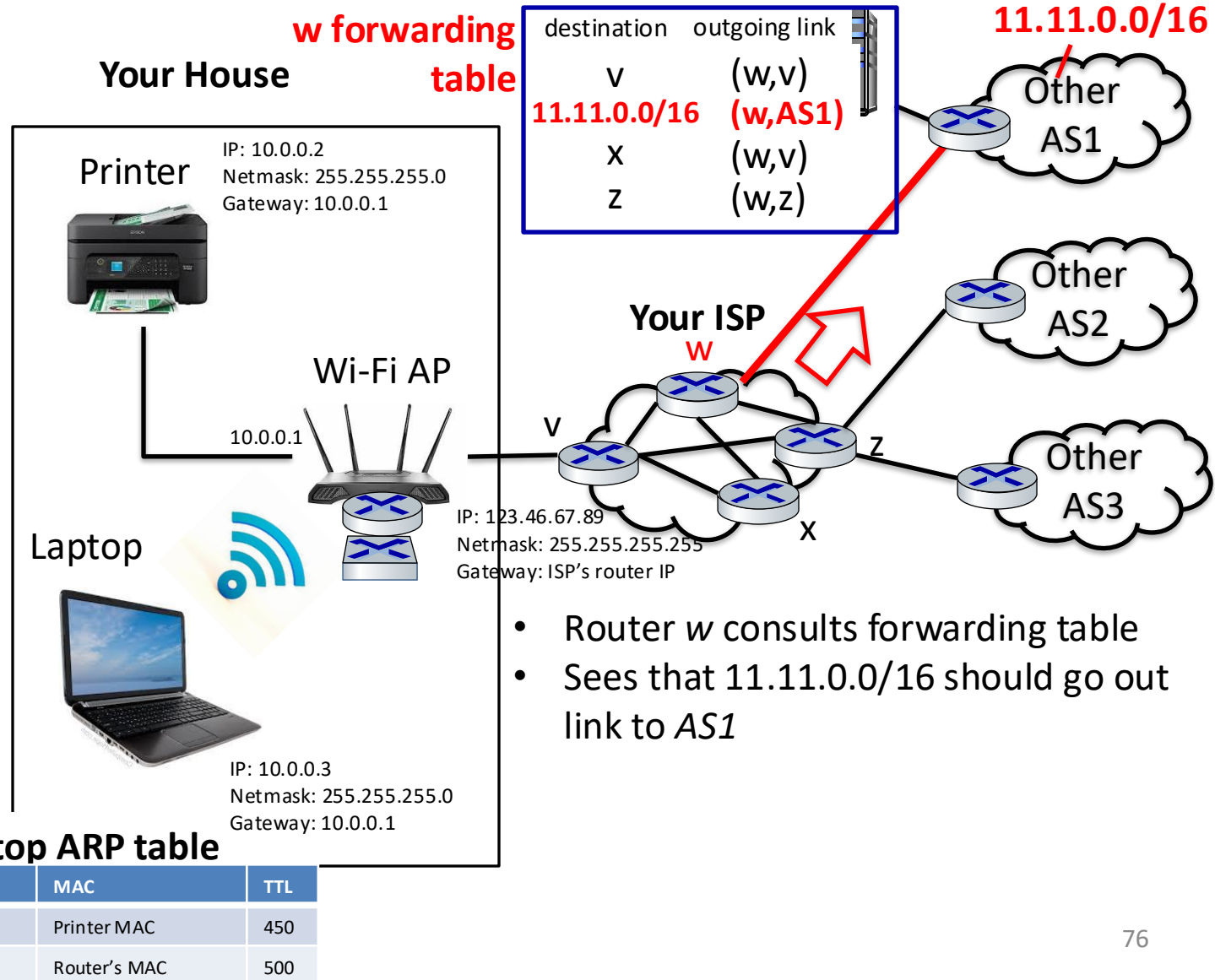
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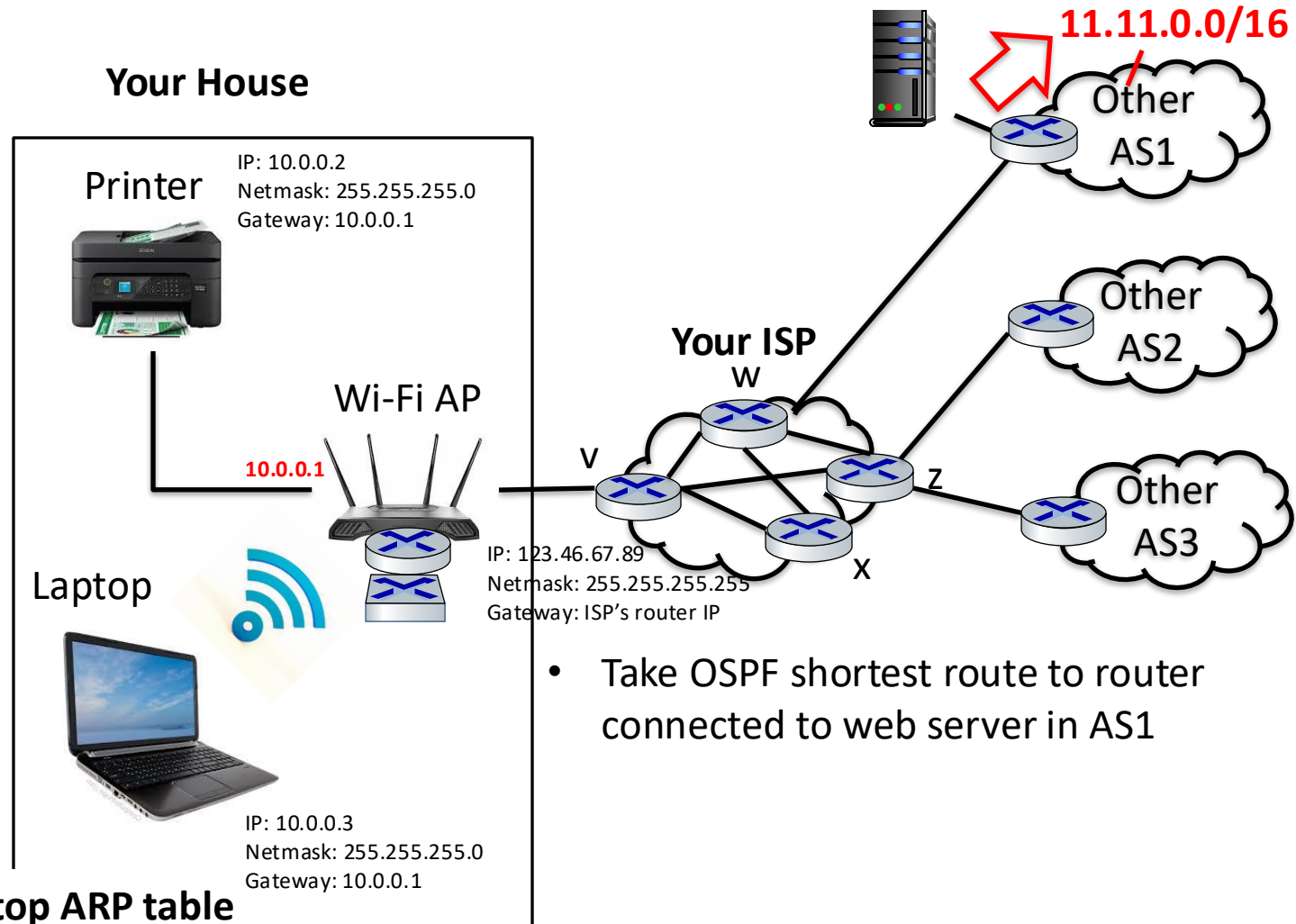
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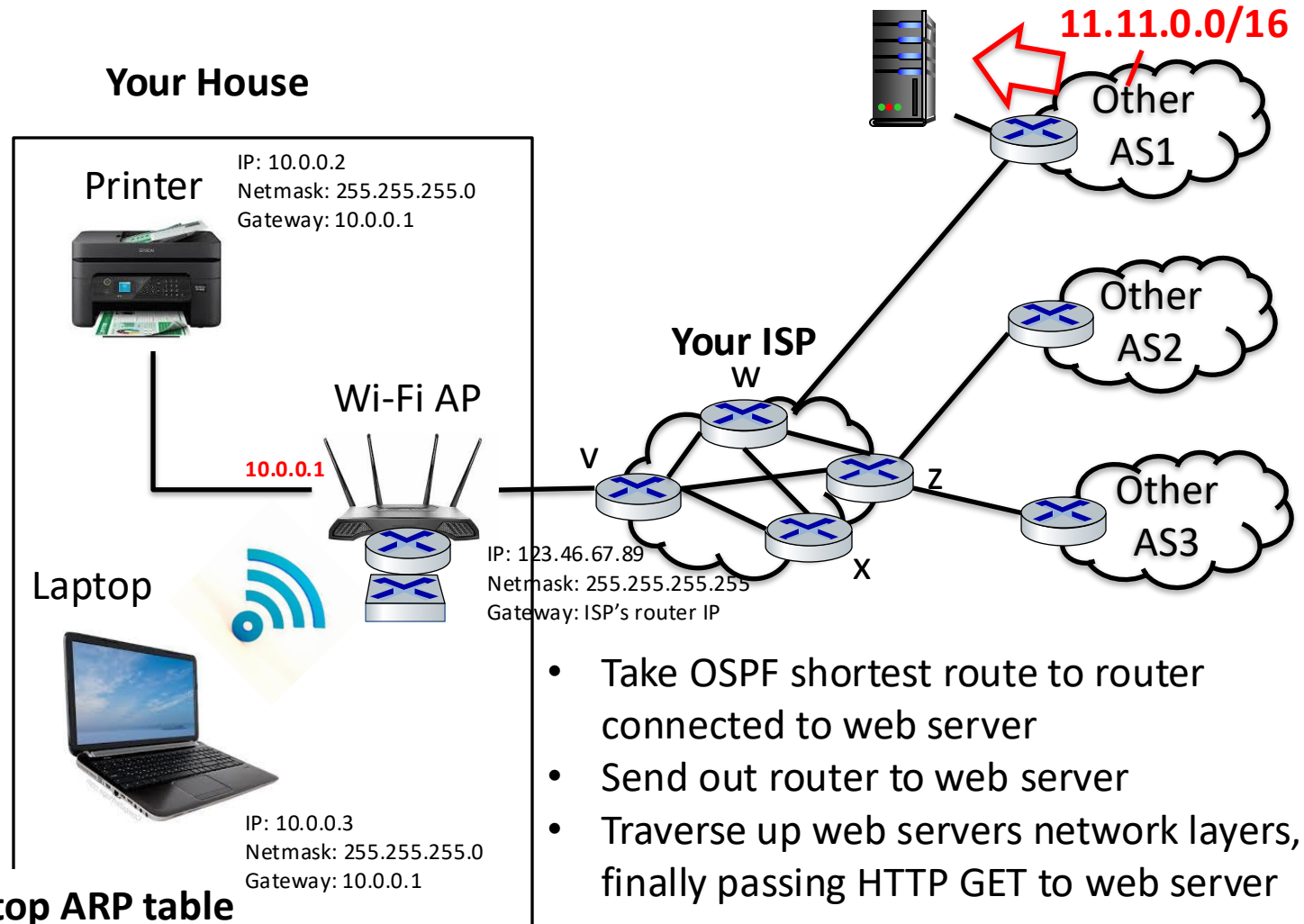
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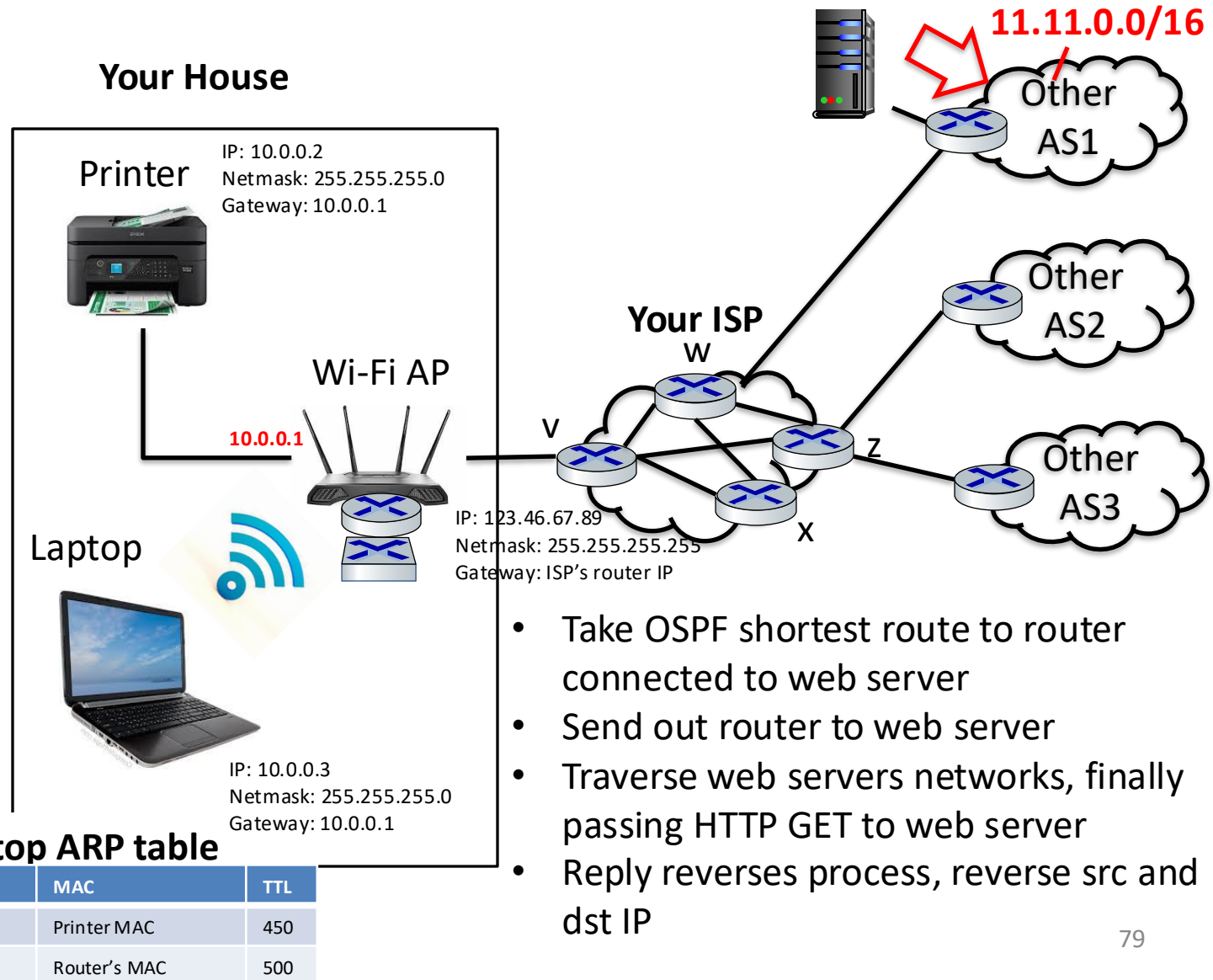
- Take OSPF shortest route to router connected to web server
- Send out router to web server
- Traverse up web servers network layers, finally passing HTTP GET to web server




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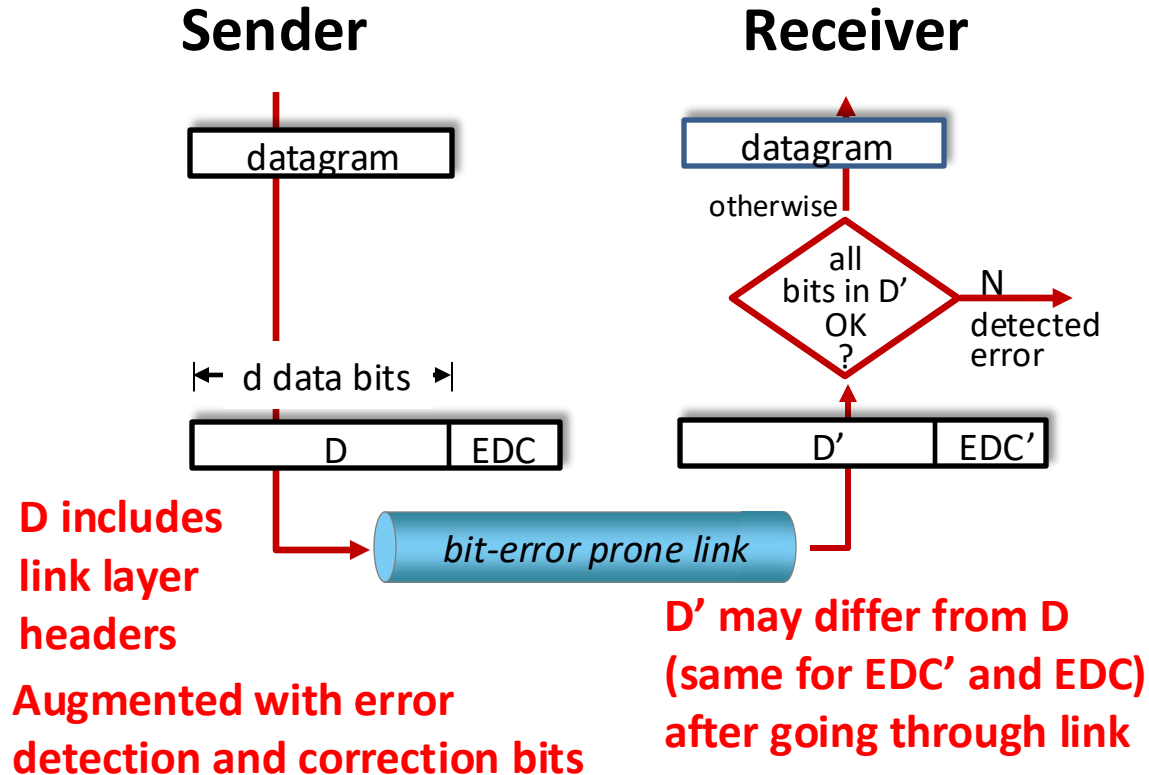
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2. Putting it all together
-  3. Error detection/correction
4. Channel sharing



# Error detection and correction can help with noisy links

EDC: Error Detection and Correction bits (e.g., redundancy)

D: Data protected by error checking, may include header fields



Error detection not 100% reliable!

- Protocol may miss some errors, but rarely
- Larger EDC field yields better detection and correction

**What happens if error is passed up the network stack?**

**Likely caught at higher layer**

**Low probability error gets to App**

# Three techniques for error detection and correction: 1) Parity checking

## Single bit parity:

- Detect single bit errors

9 data 1's + 1 parity bit

10 total bits

Even parity, set bit = 1

Odd parity, set bit = 0

0111000110101011 | 1

←  $d$  data bits → |  
parity bit

Even/odd parity: set parity bit so there is an even/odd number of 1's

## At receiver:

- Compute parity of  $d$  received bits
- Compare with received parity bit – if different then error detected (more precisely odd number of bits in error)



Can detect *and* correct errors (without retransmission!)

- Two-dimensional parity: detect *and correct* single bit errors

$D$  bits divided into  $i$  rows and  $j$  columns

			row parity		Parity bit for each row and column
column parity	$d_{1,1}$	$\dots$	$d_{1,j}$	$d_{1,j+1}$	
	$d_{2,1}$	$\dots$	$d_{2,j}$	$d_{2,j+1}$	
	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$1 \dots$	
	$d_{i,1}$	$\dots$	$d_{i,j}$	$d_{i,j+1}$	
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no errors:  
(even parity)

1	0	1	0	1		1
1	1	1	1	0		0
0	1	1	1	0		1
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detected and correctable single-bit error:

1	0	1	0	1		1
1	0	1	1	0		0
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0	0	1	0	1		0

parity error

Even number of bit errors would be undetected!

Can detect *and* fix single bit errors  
Can detect but not fix two-bit errors  
Resend data with errors immediately

# Three techniques for error detection and correction: 2) Internet checksum

*Goal:* detect errors (*i.e.*, flipped bits) in transmitted segment

## Sender:

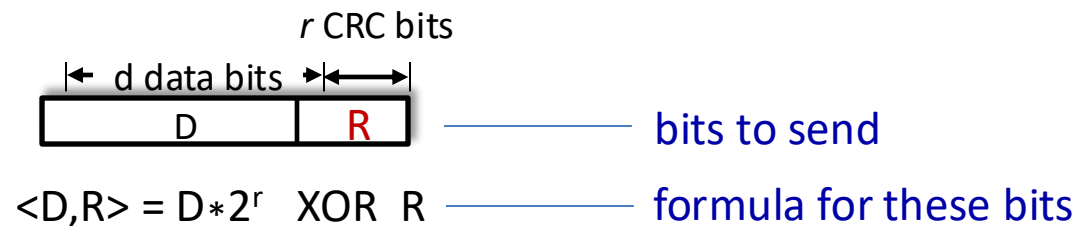
- Treat contents of Layer 3 segment (including header fields and IP addresses) as sequence of 16-bit integers
- **Checksum:** addition (one's complement sum) of segment content
- Checksum value put into IP and UDP/TCP checksum field

## Receiver:

- Compute checksum of received segment
- Check if computed checksum equals checksum field value:
  - Not equal - error detected
  - Equal - no error detected. *But maybe errors nonetheless?*

# Three techniques for error detection and correction: 3) Cyclic Redundancy Check

- More powerful error-detection coding
- **D**: data bits (given, think of these as a binary number)
- **G**: bit pattern (generator), of  $r+1$  bits (given, specified in CRC standard)



**Sender:** Compute  $r$  CRC bits, **R**, such that  $\langle D, R \rangle$  *exactly* divisible by  $G \pmod{2}$

- Receiver knows  $G$ , divides  $\langle D, R \rangle$  by  $G$ . If non-zero remainder: error detected!
- Can detect all burst errors less than  $r+1$  bits
- Widely used in practice (Ethernet, 802.11 Wi-Fi)

# Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC): example

Sender wants to compute R  
such that:

$$D \cdot 2^r \text{ XOR } R = nG$$

... or equivalently (XOR R both sides):

$$D \cdot 2^r = nG \text{ XOR } R$$

... which says:

if we divide  $D \cdot 2^r$  by G, we  
want remainder R to satisfy:

$$R = \text{remainder} \left[ \frac{D \cdot 2^r}{G} \right] \quad \text{algorithm for computing R}$$

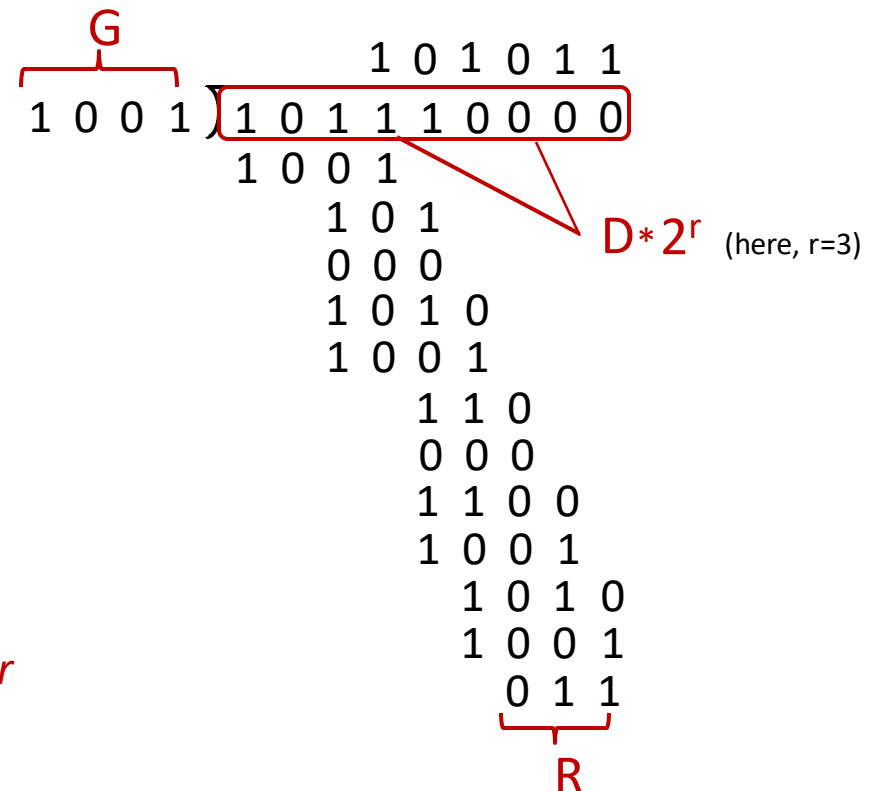
Can detect  $r+1$  bit errors

International standards have created G for 8-, 12-, 16-, and 32-bit generators


G is known by all ahead of time

$G_{32} = 100000100110000010001110110110111$

Multiplying a number  
by  $2^r$  shifts left by r bits



# Agenda

1. Ethernet
2. Putting it all together
3. Error detection/correction
-  4. Channel sharing

# Multiple access links and protocols

Two types of “links”:

- Point-to-point
  - Point-to-point link between Ethernet switch and host
  - PPP for dial-up access
- Broadcast (shared wire or medium)
  - Old-school Ethernet
  - Upstream HFC in cable-based access network
  - 802.11 wireless LAN, 4G, satellite



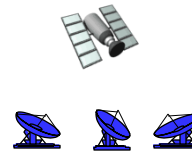
shared wire (e.g.,  
cabled Ethernet)



shared radio: 4G/5G



shared radio: WiFi



shared radio: satellite



humans at a cocktail party  
(shared air, acoustical)

# Multiple Access Protocols allow multiple hosts to share a medium

- Single shared broadcast channel
- Two or more simultaneous transmissions by nodes: interference
  - *collision* if node receives two or more signals at the same time

## Multiple Access Protocol

- Distributed algorithm that determines how nodes share channel, i.e., determine when node can transmit
- Communication about channel sharing must use channel itself!
  - Assume no out-of-band channel for coordination



# An ideal multiple access protocol

*Given:* multiple access channel (MAC) of rate  $R$  bps

*Desired properties:*

1. When one node wants to transmit, it can send at rate  $R$
2. When  $M$  nodes want to transmit, each can send at average rate  $R/M$
3. Fully decentralized:
  - No special node to coordinate transmissions
  - No synchronization of clocks, slots
4. Simple

# MAC protocols: taxonomy

## Three broad classes:

### ■ Channel partitioning

- Divide channel into smaller “pieces” (time slots, frequency, code)
- Allocate piece to node for exclusive use

### ■ Random access

- Channel not divided, allow collisions
- “Recover” from collisions

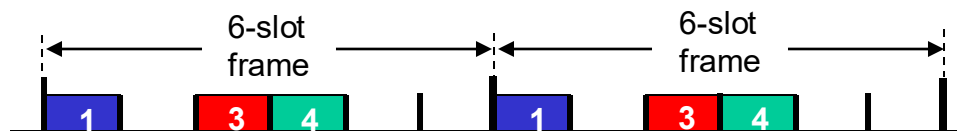
### ■ “Taking turns”

- Nodes take turns, but nodes with more to send can take longer turns

# Channel partitioning MAC protocols: TDMA

## TDMA: Time Division Multiple Access

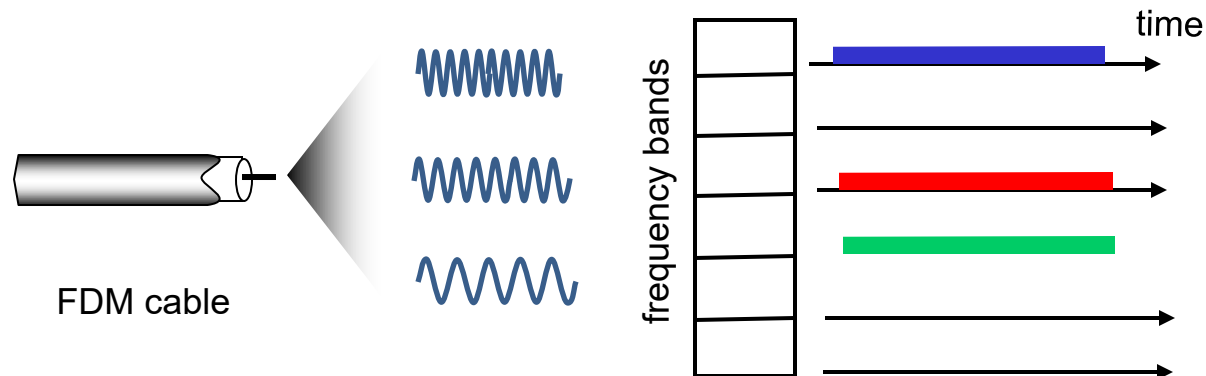
- Access to channel in “rounds”
- Each station gets fixed length slot (length = packet transmission time) in each round
- Unused slots go idle
- Example: 6-station LAN, 1,3,4 have packets to send, slots 2,5,6 idle



# Channel partitioning MAC protocols: FDMA

## FDMA: Frequency Division Multiple Access

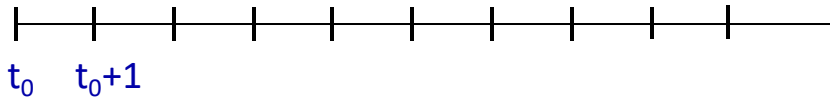
- Channel spectrum divided into frequency bands
- Each station assigned fixed frequency band
- Unused transmission time in frequency bands go idle
- Example: 6-station LAN, 1,3,4 have packet to send, frequency bands 2,5,6 idle



# Random access protocols

- When node has packet to send
  - Transmit at full channel data rate  $R$
  - No *a priori* coordination among nodes
- Two or more transmitting nodes: “collision”
- **Random access protocol** specifies:
  - How to detect collisions
  - How to recover from collisions (e.g., via delayed retransmissions)
- Examples of random-access MAC protocols:
  - ALOHA, slotted ALOHA
  - CSMA, CSMA/CD, CSMA/CA

# Slotted ALOHA



## Assumptions:

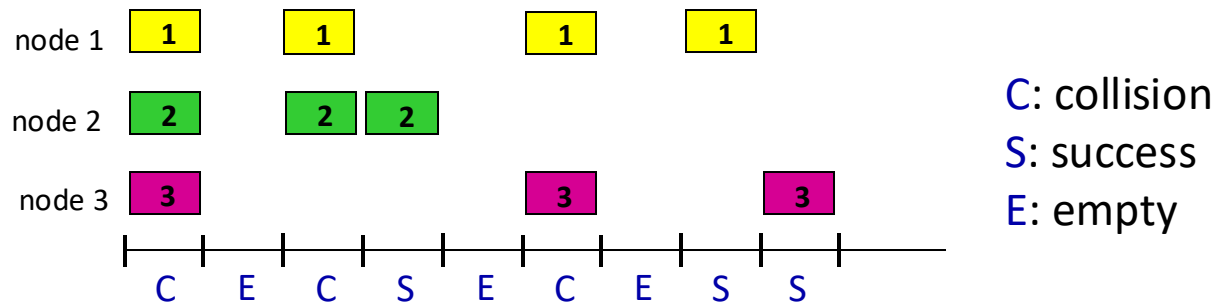
- All frames same size
- Time divided into equal size slots (time to transmit 1 frame)
- Nodes start to transmit only slot beginning
- Nodes are time synchronized
- If 2 or more nodes transmit in slot, all nodes detect collision

## Operation:

- When node obtains fresh frame, transmits in next slot
  - *If no collision*: node can send new frame in next slot
  - *If collision*: node retransmits frame in each subsequent slot with probability  $p$  until success

randomization – why?

# Slotted ALOHA



## Pros:

- Single active node can continuously transmit at full rate of channel
- Highly decentralized: only slots in nodes need to be in sync
- Simple

## Cons:

- Collisions, wasting slots
- Idle slots
- Nodes may be able to detect collision in less than time to transmit packet
- Clock synchronization

# Slotted ALOHA: efficiency

**Efficiency:** long-run fraction of successful slots (many nodes, all with many frames to send)

- *Suppose:*  $N$  nodes with many frames to send, each transmits in slot with probability  $p$ 
  - prob that given node has success in a slot =  $p(1-p)^{N-1}$
  - prob that *any* node has a success =  $Np(1-p)^{N-1}$
  - max efficiency: find  $p^*$  that maximizes  $Np(1-p)^{N-1}$
  - for many nodes, take limit of  $Np^*(1-p^*)^{N-1}$  as  $N$  goes to infinity, gives:

**Max efficiency =  $1/e = .37$**

- **At best:** channel used for useful transmissions 37% of time!





# CSMA (carrier sense multiple access)

Simple **CSMA**: listen before transmit:

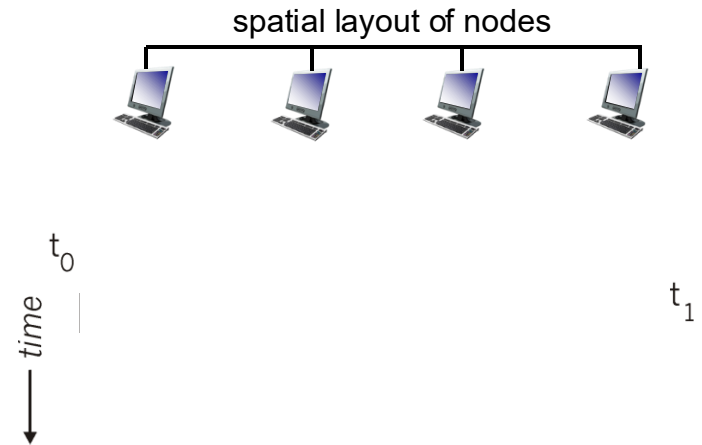
- If channel sensed **idle**: transmit entire frame
- If channel sensed **busy**: defer transmission
- Human analogy: don't interrupt others!

**CSMA/CD**: CSMA with *collision detection*

- Collisions *detected* within short time
- Colliding transmissions aborted, reducing channel wastage
- Collision detection easy in wired, difficult with wireless
- Human analogy: the polite conversationalist

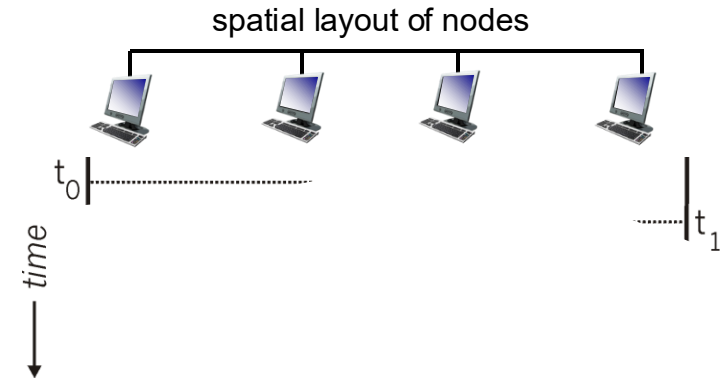
# CSMA: collisions

- Collisions can *still* occur with carrier sensing:
  - **Propagation delay** means two nodes may not hear each other's just-started transmission
- **Collision**: entire packet transmission time wasted
  - Distance & propagation delay play role in determining collision probability



# CSMA/CD:

- CSMA/CD reduces the amount of time wasted in collisions
  - Transmission aborted on collision detection



# Ethernet CSMA/CD algorithm

1. Ethernet receives datagram from network layer, creates frame
2. If Ethernet senses channel:
  - If **idle**: start frame transmission.
  - If **busy**: wait until channel idle, then transmit
3. If entire frame transmitted without collision - done!
4. If another transmission detected while sending: abort, send jam signal
5. After aborting, enter *binary (exponential) backoff*:
  - After  $m$ th collision, chooses  $K$  at random from  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^m - 1\}$ . Ethernet waits  $K \cdot 512$  bit times, returns to Step 2
  - More collisions: longer backoff interval (busy channel!)

# “Taking turns” MAC protocols

## Channel partitioning MAC protocols:

- Share channel *efficiently* and *fairly* at high load
- Inefficient at low load: delay in channel access,  $1/N$  bandwidth allocated even if only 1 active node!

## Random access MAC protocols

- Efficient at low load: single node can fully utilize channel
- High load: collision overhead

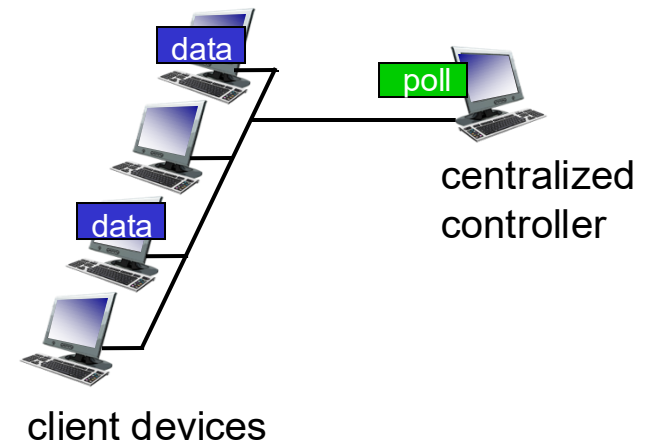
## “Taking turns” protocols

- Look for best of both worlds!

# “Taking turns” MAC protocols

## Polling:

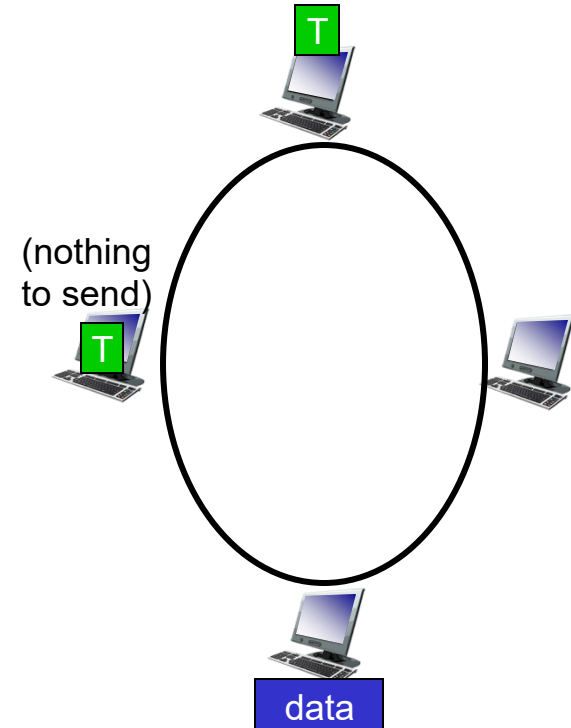
- Centralized controller “invites” other nodes to transmit in turn
- Typically used with “dumb” devices
- Concerns:
  - Polling overhead
  - Latency
  - Single point of failure (master)
- Bluetooth uses polling



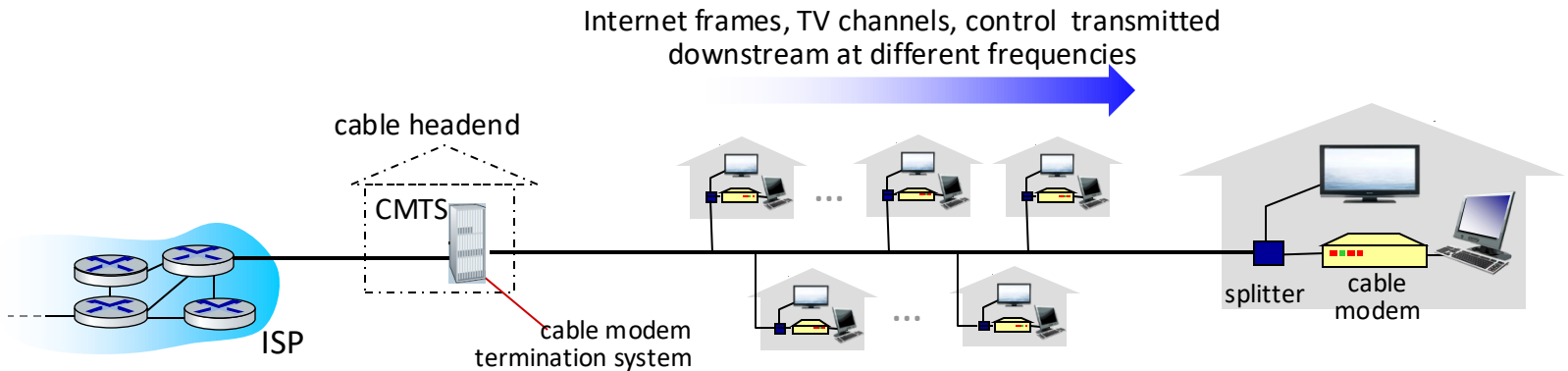
# “Taking turns” MAC protocols

## Token passing:

- Control *token* message explicitly passed from one node to next, sequentially
  - Transmit while holding token
- Concerns:
  - Token overhead
  - Latency
  - Single point of failure (token)



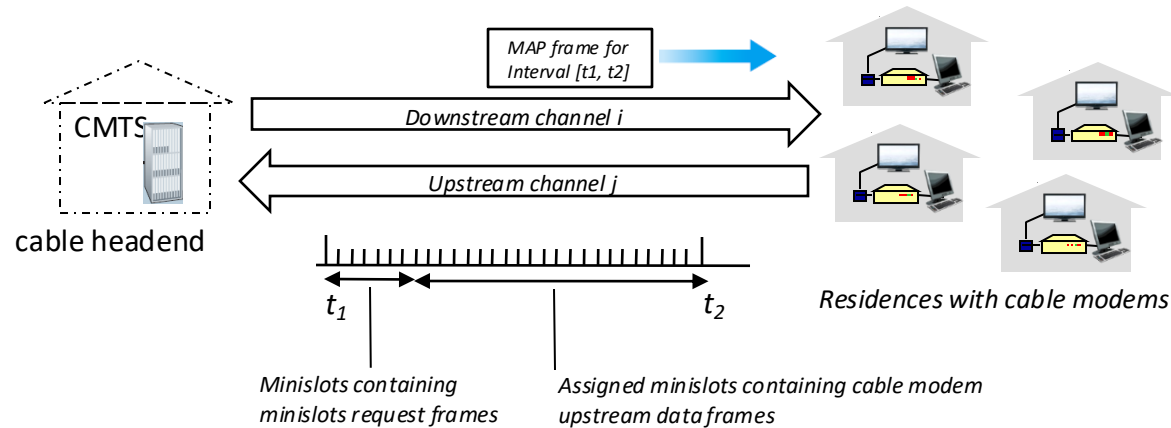
# Cable access network: FDM, TDM *and* random access!



- **Multiple** downstream (broadcast) FDM channels: up to 1.6 Gbps/channel
  - Single CMTS transmits into channels
- **Multiple** upstream channels (up to 1 Gbps/channel)
  - **Multiple access:** all users contend (random access) for certain upstream channel time slots; others assigned TDM



# Cable access network:



**DOCSIS:** data over cable service interface specification

- FDM over upstream, downstream frequency channels
- TDM upstream: some slots assigned, some have contention
  - Downstream MAP frame: assigns upstream slots
  - Request for upstream slots (and data) transmitted random access (binary backoff) in selected slots

# Summary of MAC protocols

- **Channel partitioning**, by time, frequency or code
  - Time Division, Frequency Division
- **Random access** (dynamic),
  - ALOHA, S-ALOHA, CSMA, CSMA/CD
  - carrier sensing: easy in some technologies (wire), hard in others (wireless)
  - CSMA/CD used in Ethernet
  - CSMA/CA used in 802.11
- **Taking turns**
  - Polling from central site, token passing
  - Bluetooth, FDDI, token ring

