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Networks and Distributed Processing

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Network Layer

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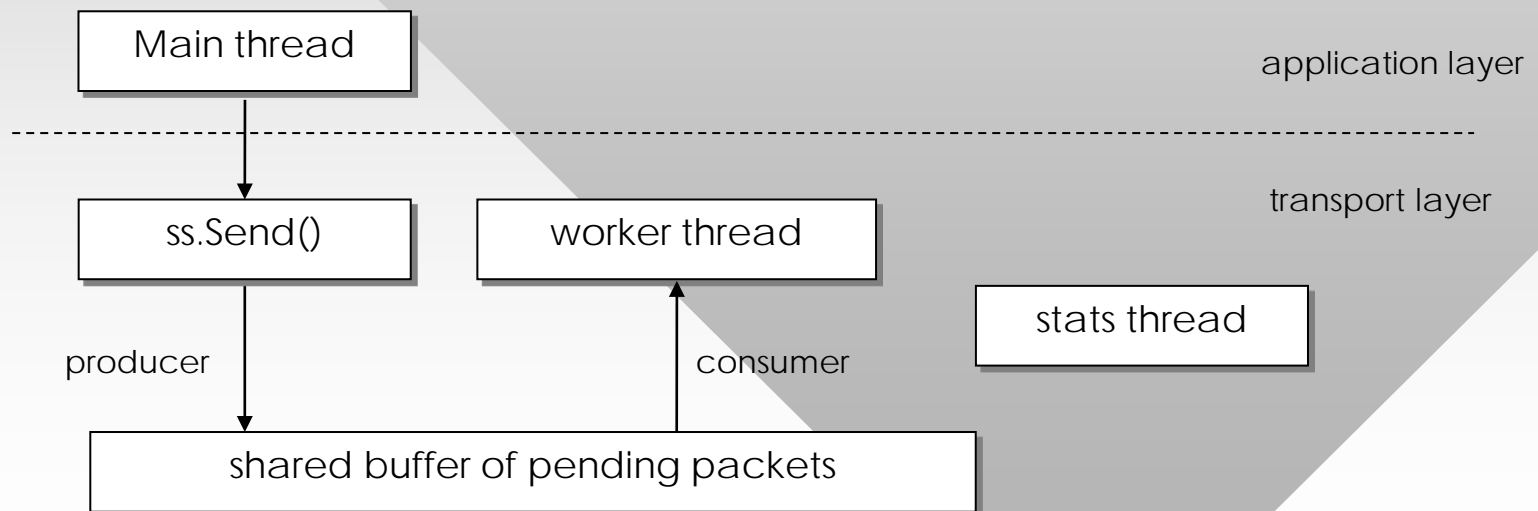
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Homework #3

- Reliable data transfer between two processes
 - `ss.Send()` is the producer into a bounded buffer of W packets (W = sender window)
 - Worker thread is the consumer from this buffer (ACK arrival that moves `sndBase` by X pkts releases X slots in buffer)
 - Requires two semaphores



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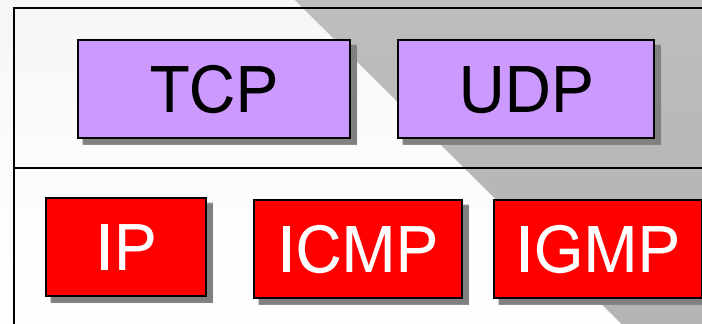
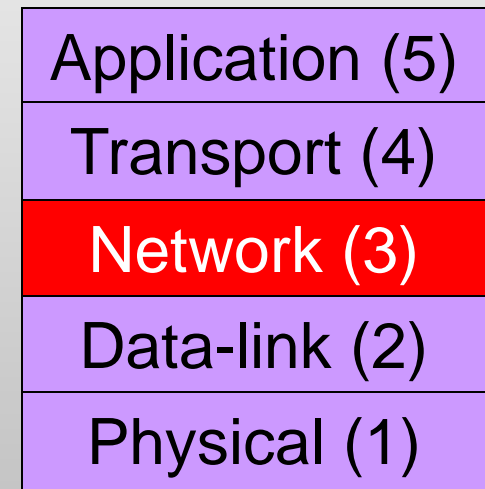
- Interesting aspect is how to release semaphore to accommodate flow control
 - Assume sndBase, nextSeq, window W are known
 - Receive ACK with sequence $y > \text{sndBase}$, $\text{recvWnd} = R$
 - By how much to release semaphore?

```
lastReleased = 0;
sndBase = -1;      // SYN-ACK 0 will move this to 0
while (not end of transfer)
{
    get ACK or SYN-ACK with sequence y, receiver window R
    if (y > sndBase)
    {
        sndBase = y
        effectiveWin = min (W, R)
        // how much we can advance the semaphore
        newReleased = sndBase + effectiveWin - lastReleased;
        ReleaseSemaphore (s, newReleased);
        lastReleased += newReleased;
    }
}
```

Chapter 4: Network Layer

Chapter goals:

- Understand principles behind network layer services:
 - How a router works (forwarding)
 - Routing (path selection)
 - Dealing with scale
 - Other topics: IPv6, multicasting
- Traceroute program as hw#4
- Big picture:



transport

network

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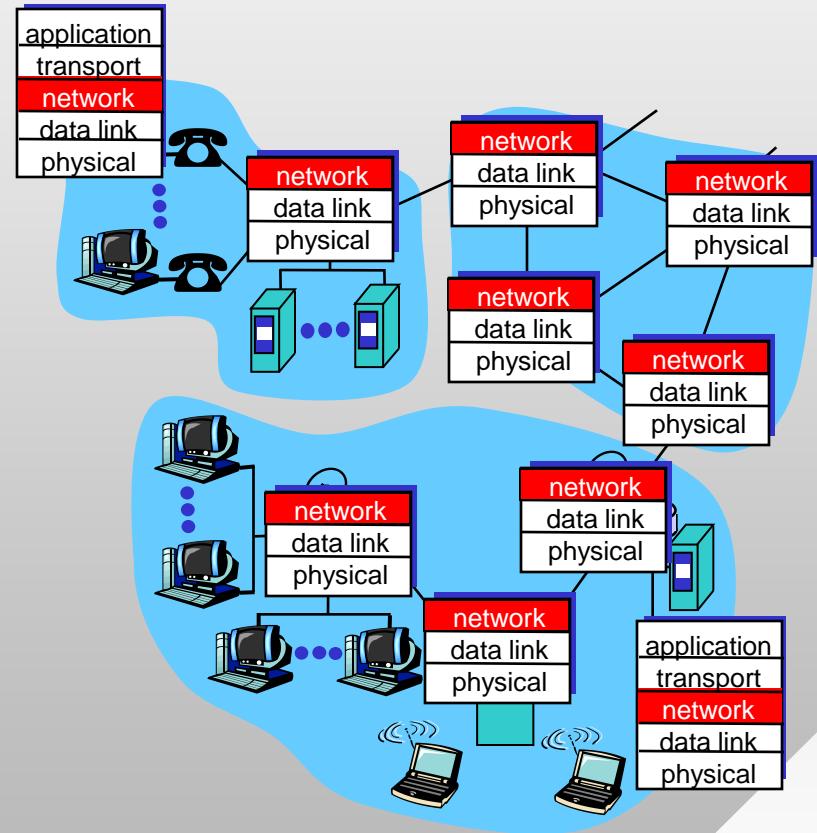
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Network Layer = IP Layer

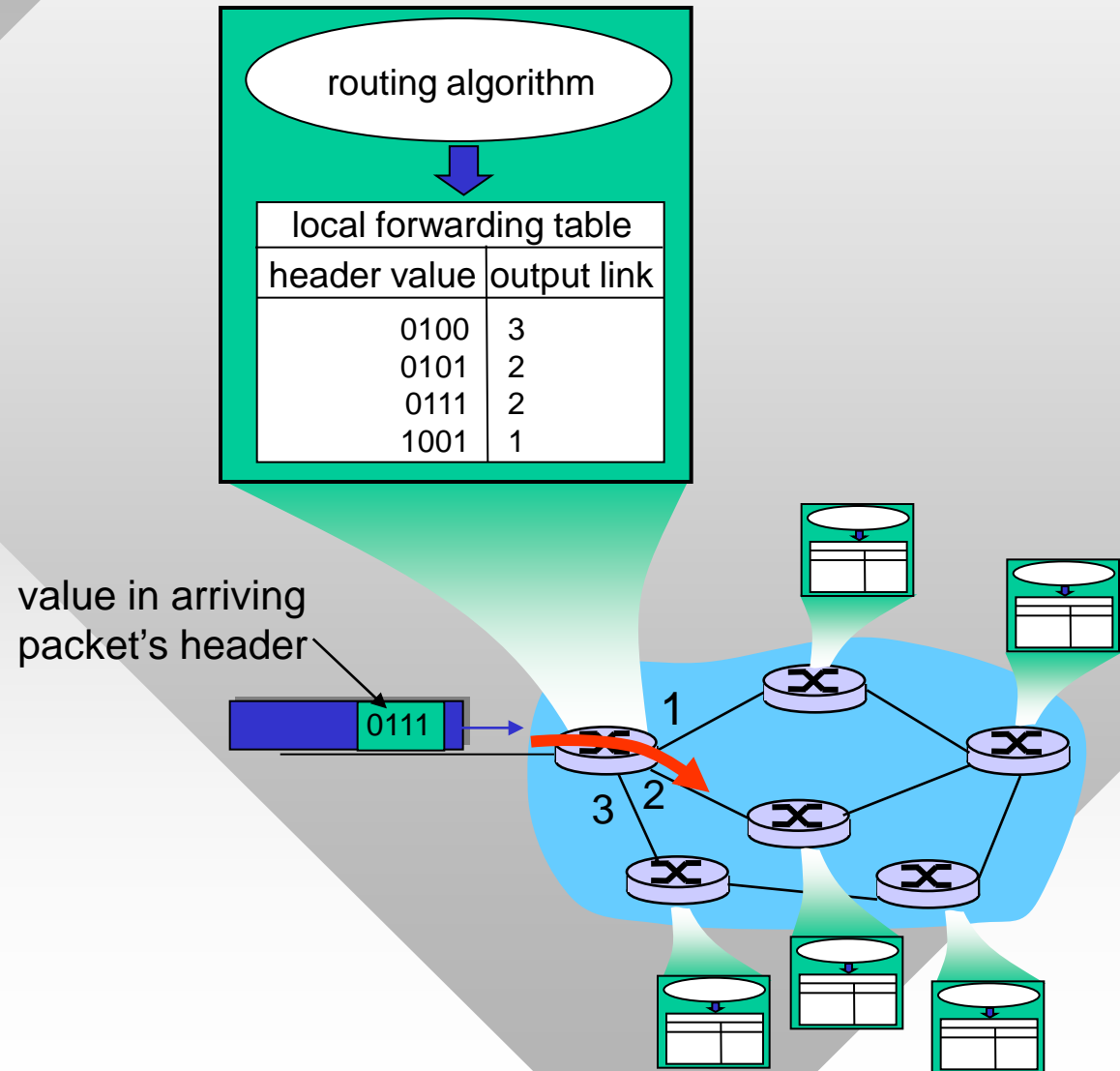
- Transports segments from sending to receiving host
- On the sending side, encapsulates segments into **datagrams**
- On the receiving side, delivers segments to transport layer
- Network layer protocols in **every** host and router
- Router examines header fields in all IP datagrams passing through it



Key Network-Layer Functions

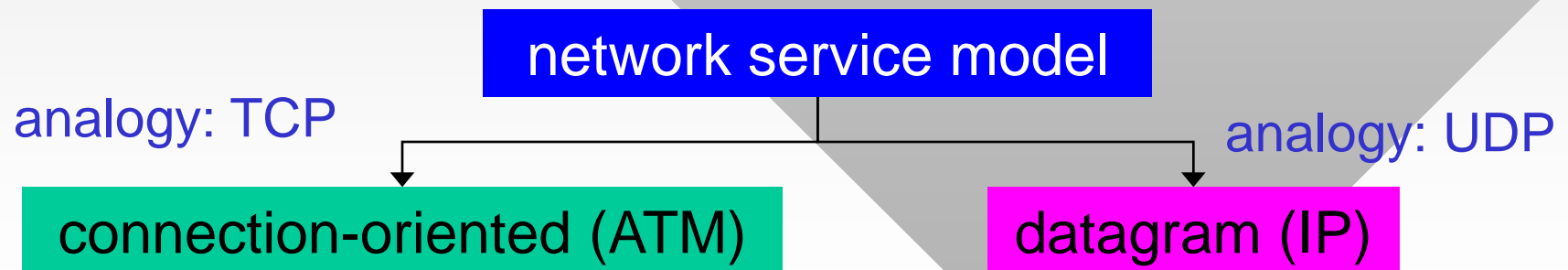
- 1) *Routing*: determine the path taken by packets from source to dest
 - Build a minimum-cost table at each router
 - Table has next-hop neighbor for each possible destination
 - **Goal**: send packet along the least-expensive path (e.g., in terms of hops, ISPs, or peering agreements)
 - 2) *Forwarding*: move packets from a router's input port to appropriate router output **port**
 - Table lookup
 - Port-to-port transfer
 - **Goal**: efficiency
- physical interface (NIC) inside router, not a TCP/UDP port!
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Interplay Between Routing and Forwarding



Connection Setup (ATM)

- 3) *Connection setup* in certain network architectures:
 - e.g., ATM (Asynchronous Transfer Mode)
- Before datagrams flow in such networks, two hosts and intermediate routers establish virtual circuit (VC)
 - Routers get involved to set up a path
- Network and transport layer connection service:
 - **Network:** between two hosts
 - **Transport:** between two processes



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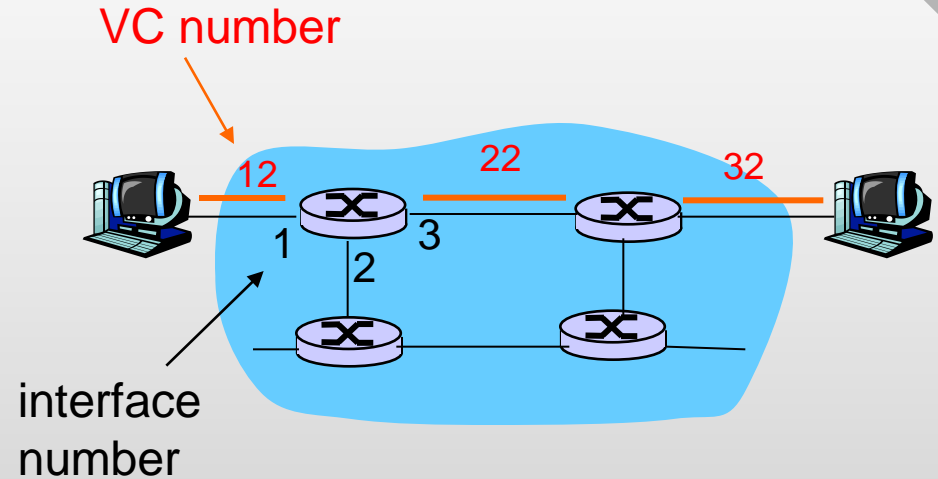
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Virtual Circuits

- VCs may create a path that behaves much like a telephone circuit (no congestion, low delay, no loss)
- Call setup for each connection *before* data can flow
 - Similar to TCP's handshake, but involves routers
- Each packet carries a *VC tag* instead of the 5-tuple <src addr, dest addr, src port, dest port, proto>
- *Every* router on source-dest path maintains “state” for each passing connection
 - Mapping from tags to next-hop router
- Fraction of router resources (bandwidth, buffers) are allocated to each VC

Forwarding Table

Forwarding table in
northwest router:

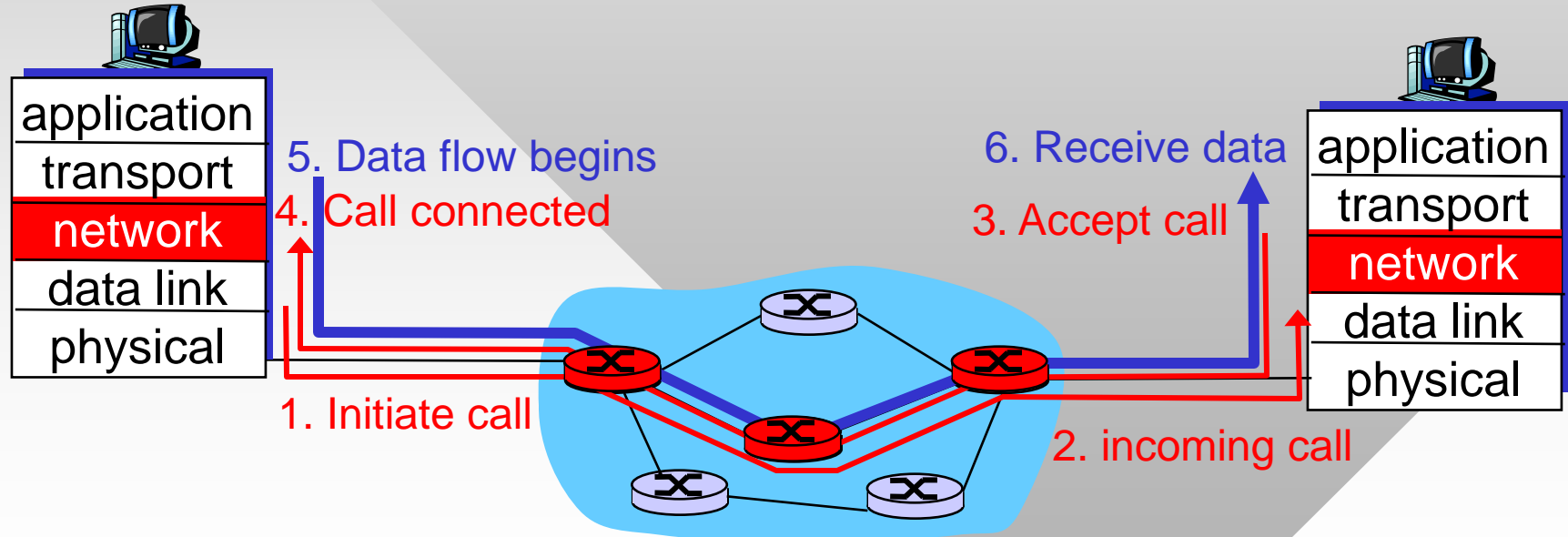


| Incoming interface | Incoming VC # | Outgoing interface | Outgoing VC # |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1 | 12 | 3 | 22 |
| 2 | 63 | 1 | 18 |
| 3 | 7 | 2 | 17 |
| 1 | 97 | 3 | 87 |
| ... | ... | ... | ... |

Routers maintain connection state information!

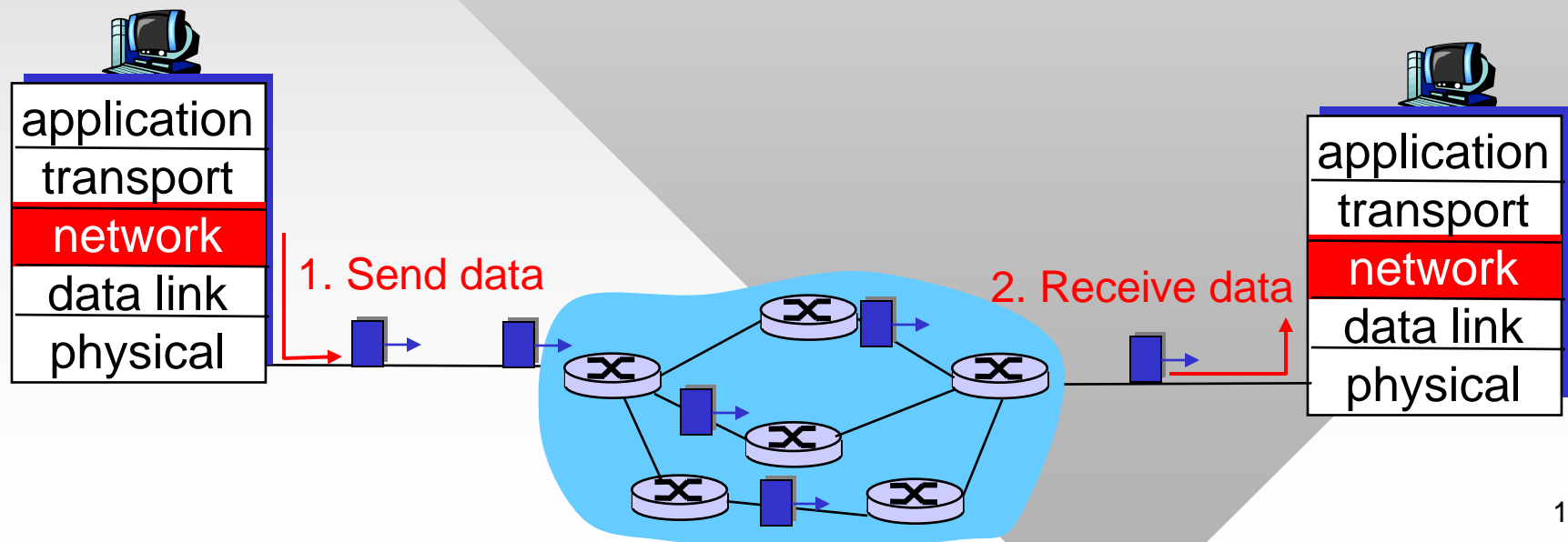
Virtual Circuits: Signaling Protocols

- Setup, maintain, teardown VC
- Used in ATM, frame-relay, etc.
- **Not used end-to-end in today's Internet**



Datagram Networks

- No call setup at network layer
- Routers: no state about end-to-end connections
 - No network-level concept of “connection”
- Packets forwarded using **destination host address**
 - Packets between the same source-dest pair may take different paths (**multi-path routing**)



Longest Prefix Matching

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

Examples (DA = destination address)

DA: 11001000 00010111 00010110 10100001
 DA: 11001000 00010111 00011001 10101010
 DA: 11001000 00010111 00011000 10101010

Which interface?

Datagram or VC Network: Why?

Internet

- Driven by data exchange among computers
 - “Elastic” service, no strict timing requirements
- “Smart” end systems (computers)
 - Can adapt, perform control, error recovery
 - Simple network core, complexity at “edge”
- Many link types
 - Different characteristics
 - Uniform service difficult

ATM

- Evolved from telephony
- Human conversation:
 - Strict timing, bandwidth requirements
 - Need for guaranteed service
- “Dumb” end systems
 - Telephones
 - Complexity in network core