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An *Access Control List* (ACL) is a list of rules configured on a network device, used to filter traffic flowing through that device.

Each packet that goes through that device is compared against **each rule** in the ACL.

If the packet doesn't match the current rule, it's compared to the next one.

As soon as the packet matches a rule, the rule is applied and all the rules that come after are ignored.

At the end of the list, there usually is a "catch all" rule, that applies to packets that don't match any of the other rules.

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Inbound ACL = filters incoming traffic (packets are dropped/forwarded prior to being routed)

Outbound ACL = filters outgoing traffic (packets are dropped/forwarded after being routed)

Standard vs Extended ACLs

Standard ACLs can filter traffic based only on source IP.

Extended ACLs can filter traffic based on both source and destination IPs, but also ports and protocols.

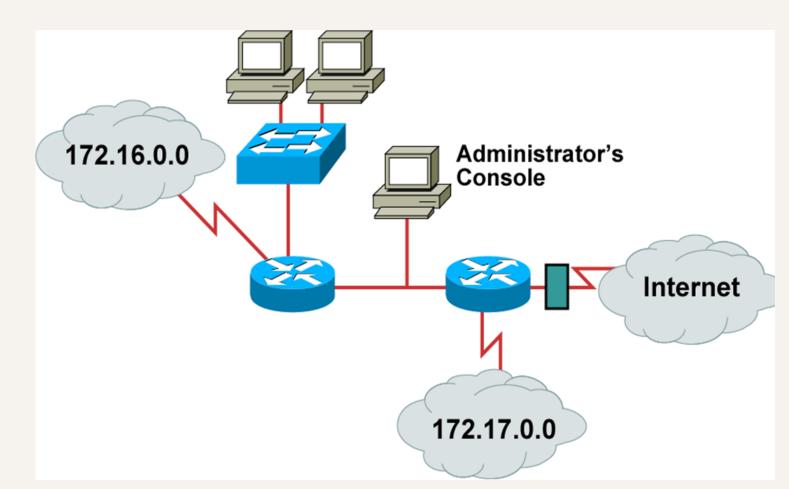
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Computers from network 172.16.0.0 should not be able to reach

Internet.



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Permit or deny all:

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R(config-std-nacl) #permit any
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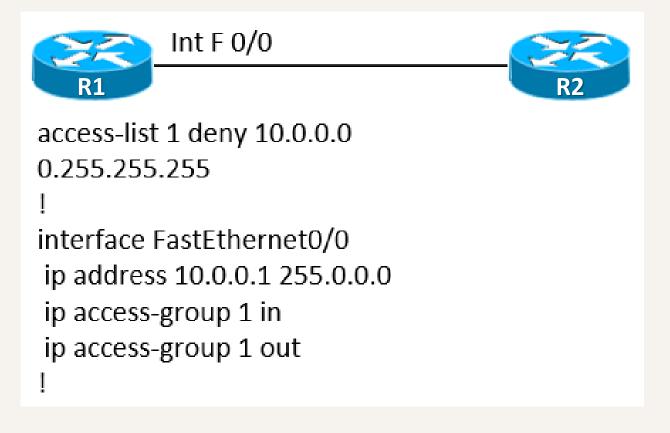
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- 6. Traffic *generated* by a given router, *will not be blocked* by an ACL on <u>that router</u>

ACL — Rule #6 Example



- **1.** R1 pings R2 (whose IP is 10.0.0.2)
- 2. R1 sends an ICMP to R2, meaning, egress ACL will not drop the packet despite it matches the "deny 10.0.0.0/8" rule
- 3. R2 will send the ping back to R1
- **4.** Ingress ACL on interface F 0/0 will filter the packet and drop it

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