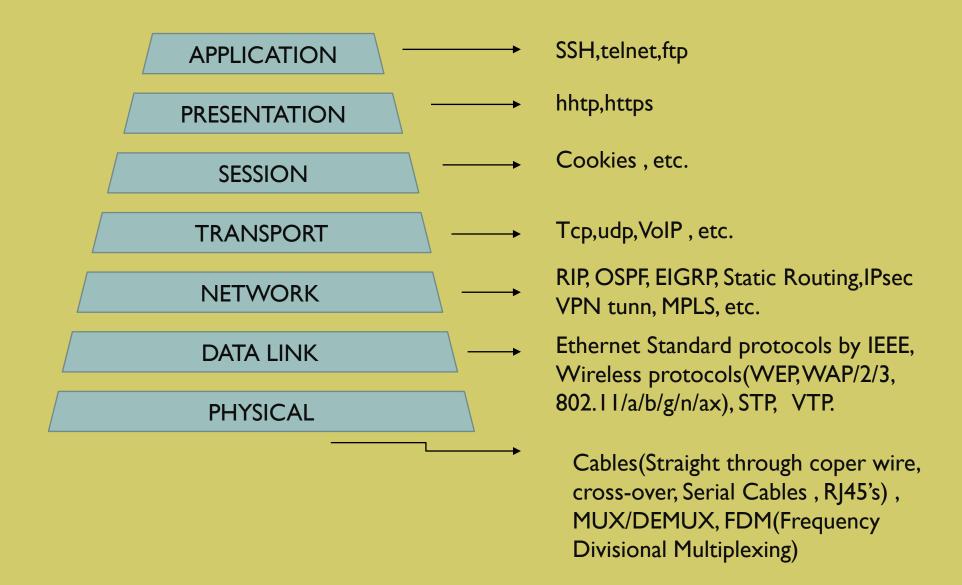
Today's topic: Routing and Routing protocols

Routing

- It is a layer 3 function in an OSI or any general used networking model
- It is used to forward the packets in the desired network or subnetwork, packets are not intelligent enough that they can go where they are being destined to So devices like routers, firewalls are used to analyse the packets and where to send them.
- It plays an important role in your home broadband connection or any company's web infrastructure.
- Web infrastructure means suppose a company A is located in India and a person from America wants to be a part of that infrastructure virtually as a user or admin. It requires some 1000 and 500 of switches and routers in between the User and Infrastructure

OSI Model



There are some popular or mostly used Routing Algorithms and Routing Protocols are based on them

I. Path Vector:

- It is based on AS paths (Autonomous Paths) selected by the ISP's to make sure from which other AS they want to send data through.
- It ensures AS (Autonomous System) Numbers routing between the different ISP's and Companies.
- Ex. BGP, and its versions.

2. Distance Vector:

- It uses the database of adjacent router to know about the information of the distances of the network paths.
- Ex. RIPv1, RIPv2.

3. Link State:

- It uses Shortest Path Algorithm to detect the shortest path to reach the destination in lowest cost.
- It uses Dijkstra's Algorithm to find the shortest path and there's should not be any loop.
- Ex. OSPFv1, OSPFv2, OSPFv3.

4. Hybrid:

- They follow both Distance vector as well as Link state path algorithm for packet forwarding
- Ex. EIGRP (Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol CISCO Proprietary now).

Distance Vector Protocols

RIP v1 and v2

RIP vI:

- RIP Routing Information Protocol vI is a Standard protocol and performs classefull routing.
- RIP vI is rarely used in today's networks
- It is used when it is already known that source and destination are at the same subnet.
- Hop count is limited, only 15 hop counts.
- AD is 120.

<u>RIP v2</u>:

- RIP v2 performs classless routing, means it doesn't require in v2 if sender and receiver are in same subnets.
- But it still not widely used in the network, because it is also compromised for SOHO or small Company Network only.
- Easy to implement.
- Subnet Masks are quite useful in RIP v2 to detect the subnet and to keep track of the HOPs. And are during route updates.

Link State Protocol

OSPF

OSPF:

- Open Shortest Path First is it what OSPF abbreviated to.
- OSPF is a Standard Protocol.
- as the name suggests OSPF use Shortest Path Algorithm or Dijkstra's Algorithm to detect the shortest path to reach the destination in less "cost".
- AD is 110.
- requires neighbour router's database information to gather the information about the neighbour networks and there respective shortest path.
- Unlimited hop counts and so it is the most popular Routing Protocol in the Industry.
- Broadcast Network

Multicast Address: 224.0.0.5

Multicast Probe Address is: 224.0.0.6

- Port Number for OSPF is 89.
- It works under Layer 3 of OSI Model or we can say It works in Network Layer.
- There are v2, v3, and v4 versions of OSPF but they only differ in authentication and authorization processes.
- OSPF has some "area's" and "state's" concept.
- Hello timer is 10 sec by default.

Hybrid Protocol

EIGRP

EIGRP:

- It's the Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol, based on IRP Interior Gateway Protocol.
- AD is 90.
- As EIGRP is hybrid routing protocol so it some times shows link state packets and some time distance vector's VLSM characteristics.
- During Broadcast:

Multicast address: 224.0.0.10

- Default Hello packets timer is 5 seconds.
- EIGRP is reliable for big networks like WAN or, an ISP's connectivity.
- Its CISCO proprietary now and even standardised by CISCO in IEEE so can be used by other vendors to.