EECS 489 Discussion 11

Announcement

- Assignment 4 is due next Wednesday (12/9)
- Tips:
  - Consistent byte order
  - Checksum handling
  - Test with ping/traceroute/wget/nc
 - Try to test with a different routing table

Q1 Putting things together

Suppose you walk into a room, connect to Ethernet, and want to download a Web page.
What are all the network protocol steps that take place, starting from powering on your
PC to getting the Web page?

- Broadcast DHCP request to get an IP address.
- Broadcast ARP message to get MAC of the next hop router.
- Issue a DNS query to get the IP address of the content server.
- Construct a TCP connection to the content server.
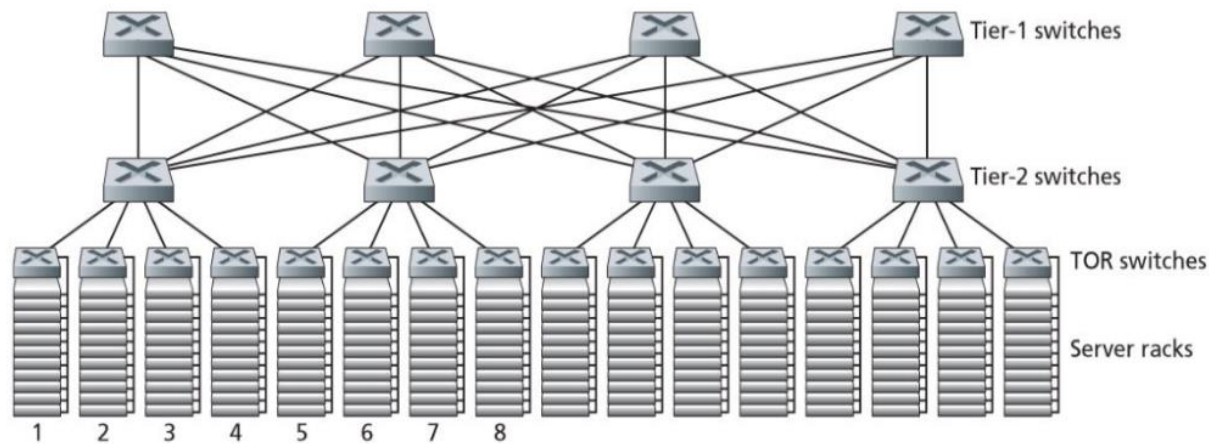
Q2.1 Datacenter Networks
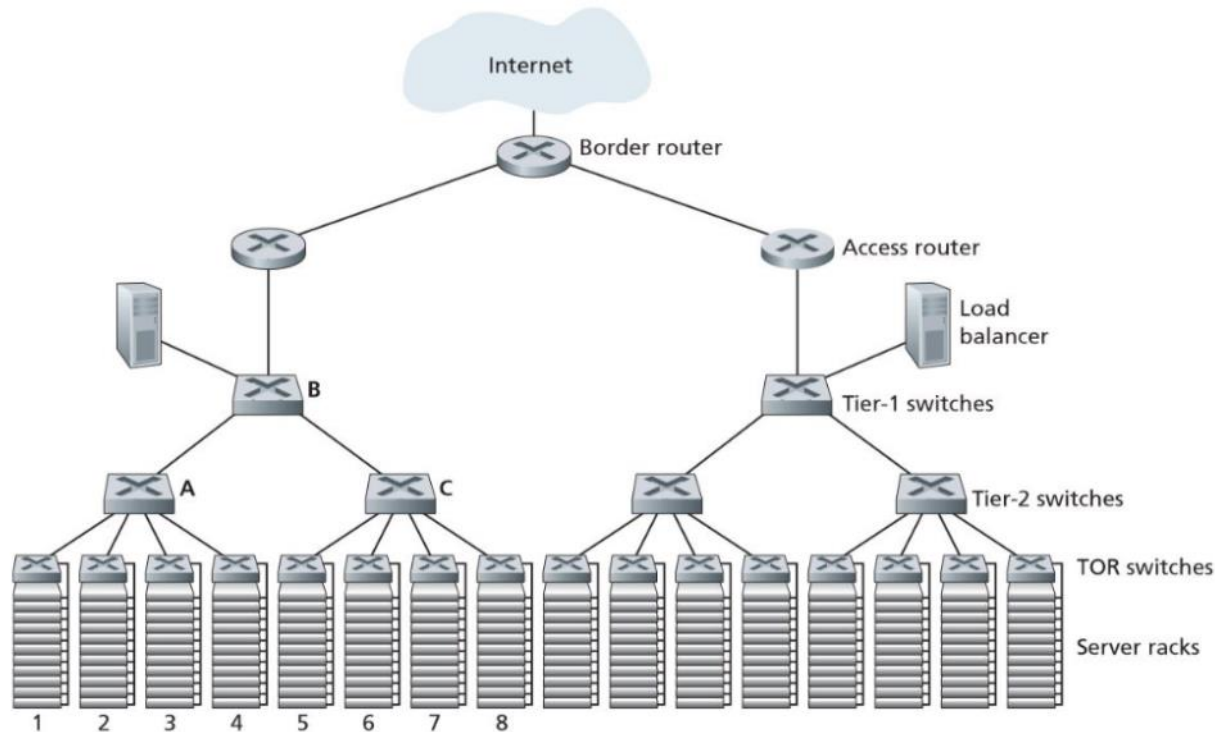
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125 Mbps

Q2.2 Datacenter Networks

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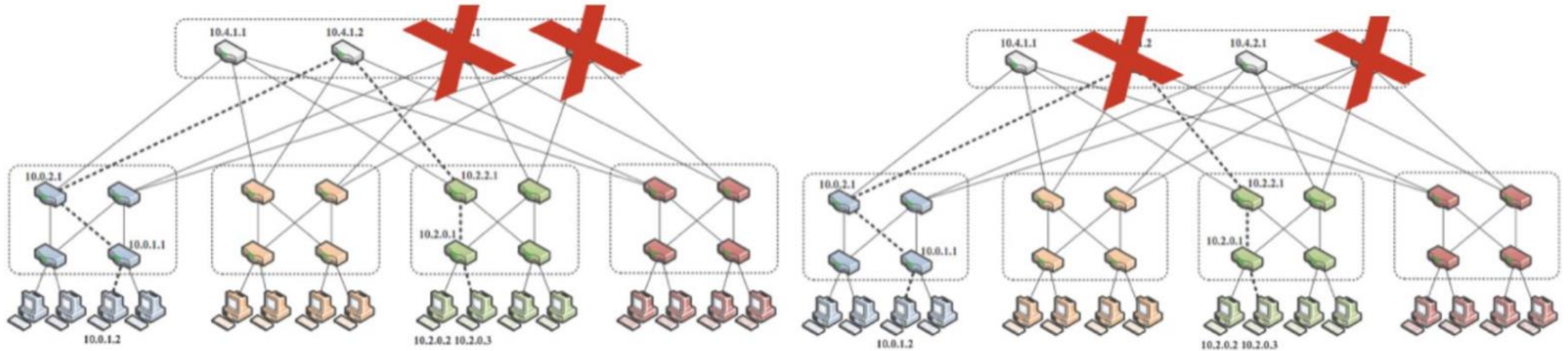
With the switches marked with X eliminated, are these two topologies identical? Would they have identical responses to further failures? If not, can you point out one failure scenario where they behave differently?

Q4 CSMA/CA

Suppose an 802.11b station is configured to always reserve the channel with RTS/CTS sequence. Suppose this station suddenly wants to transmit a 1,000 byte segment of data, and all other stations are idle at this time. Assume a transmission rate of 10 Mbps. Ignoring propagation delay and assuming no bit errors, calculate the time required to transmit the frame and receive the acknowledgement. Further assume that a frame without data is 32 bytes long.

$$\left(32 \times \frac{8}{10 \times 10^6}\right) \times 3 + (1000 + 32) \times \frac{8}{10 \times 10^6} = 9.024 \times 10^{-4} \text{ sec} = 902 \text{ usec}$$

Q5 Fair Share

Consider the following idealized LTE scenario. The downstream channel is slotted in time. There are four nodes, A, B, C, and D, reachable from the base station at rates of 10 Mbps, 5 Mbps, 2.5 Mbps, and 1 Mbps, respectively, on the downstream channel. These rates assume that the base station fully utilizes the time slot to send to just one station. The base station has an infinite amount of data to send to each of the nodes.

If there is a fairness requirement that each node must receive an equal amount of data during each one second interval, what is the average transmission rate by the base station (to all nodes) during the downstream sub-frame?

$$10 \times \frac{1}{17} + 5 \times \frac{2}{17} + 2.5 \times \frac{4}{17} + 1 \times \frac{10}{17} = 2.35 \text{ Mbps}$$

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