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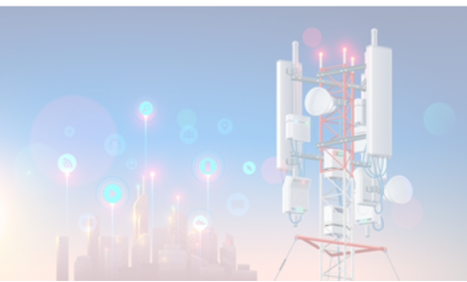
**Topic: Internetworking: DHCP, NAT, ARP, ICMP
(Textbook chapter 3)**

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DHCP request

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DHCPREQUEST
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transaction ID: 655
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Discussion Point 1: The transaction ID (xid). RFC 2131

Discussion Point 2: Broadcast address. (Limited/Directed broadcast)

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DHCP: more than IP addresses

DHCP can return more than just allocated IP address on subnet:

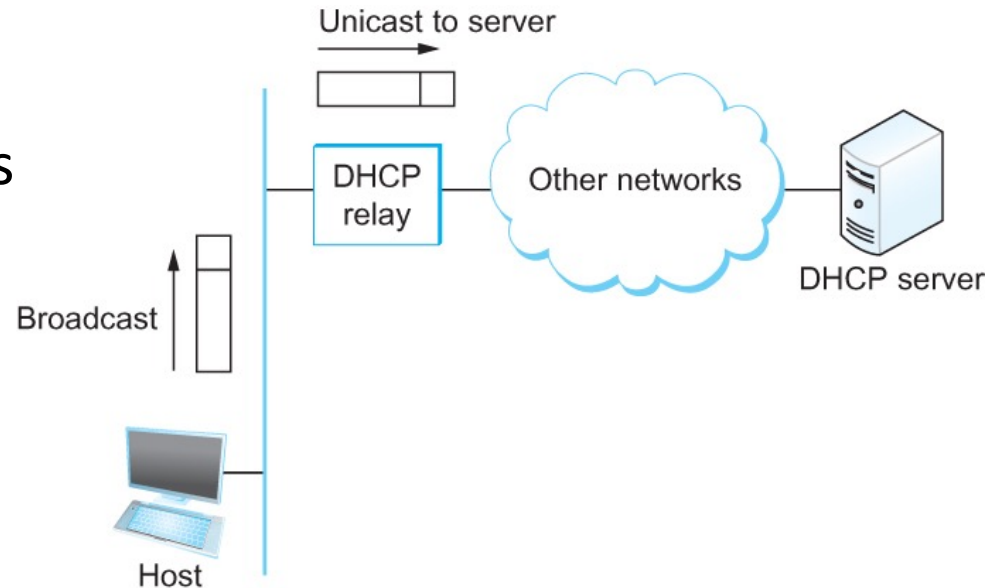
- address of first-hop router for client
- name and IP address of DNS sever
- network mask (indicating network versus host portion of address)

Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)

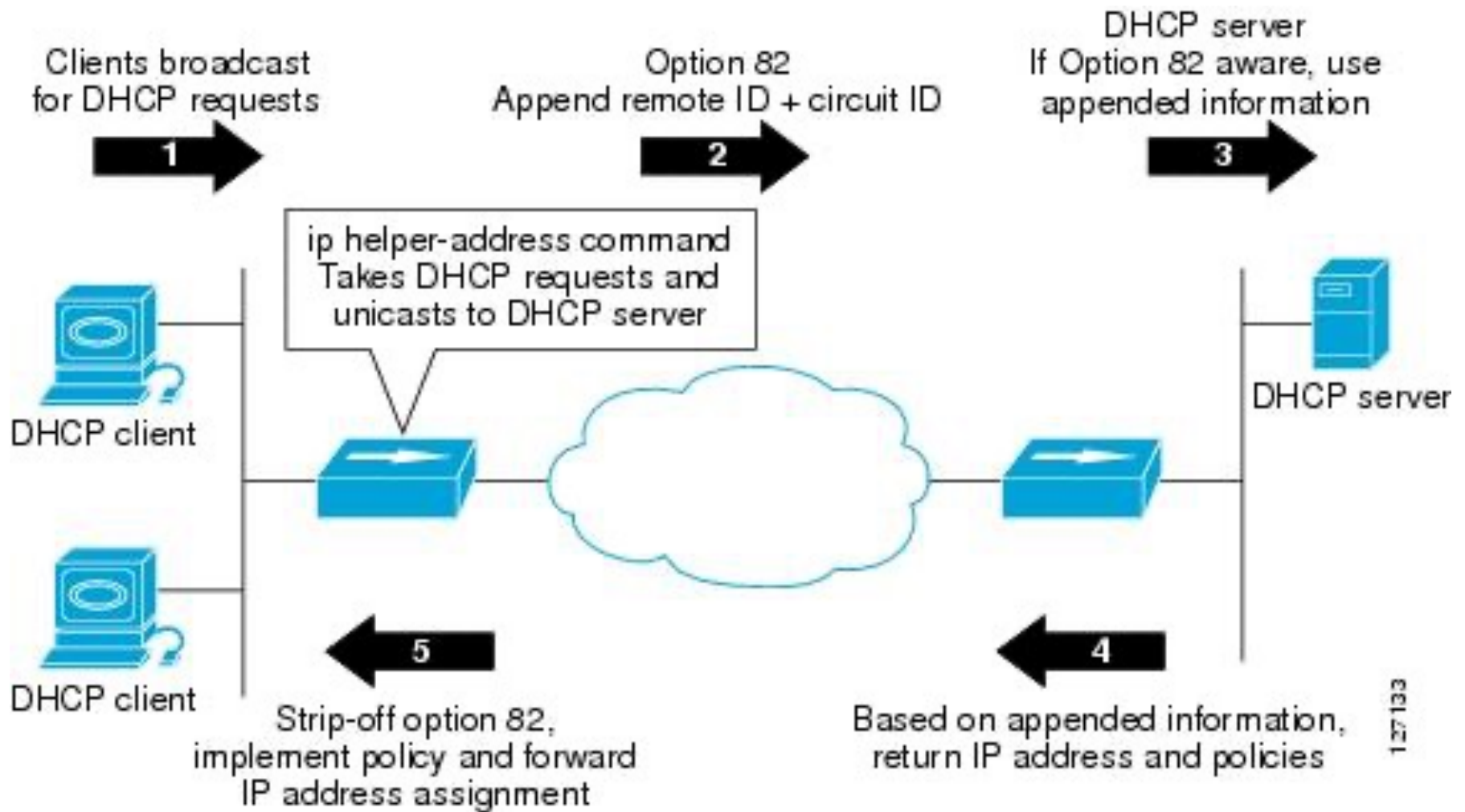
- DHCP server is responsible for providing configuration information to hosts
- DHCP server maintains a pool of available addresses
- There is at least one DHCP server for an administrative domain (a server or a relay agent per subnet)

DHCP relay

- Newly booted or attached host sends DHCPDISCOVER message to a special IP address (255.255.255.255)
- **DHCP relay agent** unicasts the message to DHCP server and waits for the response



DHCP relay



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Private Address Space & NAT



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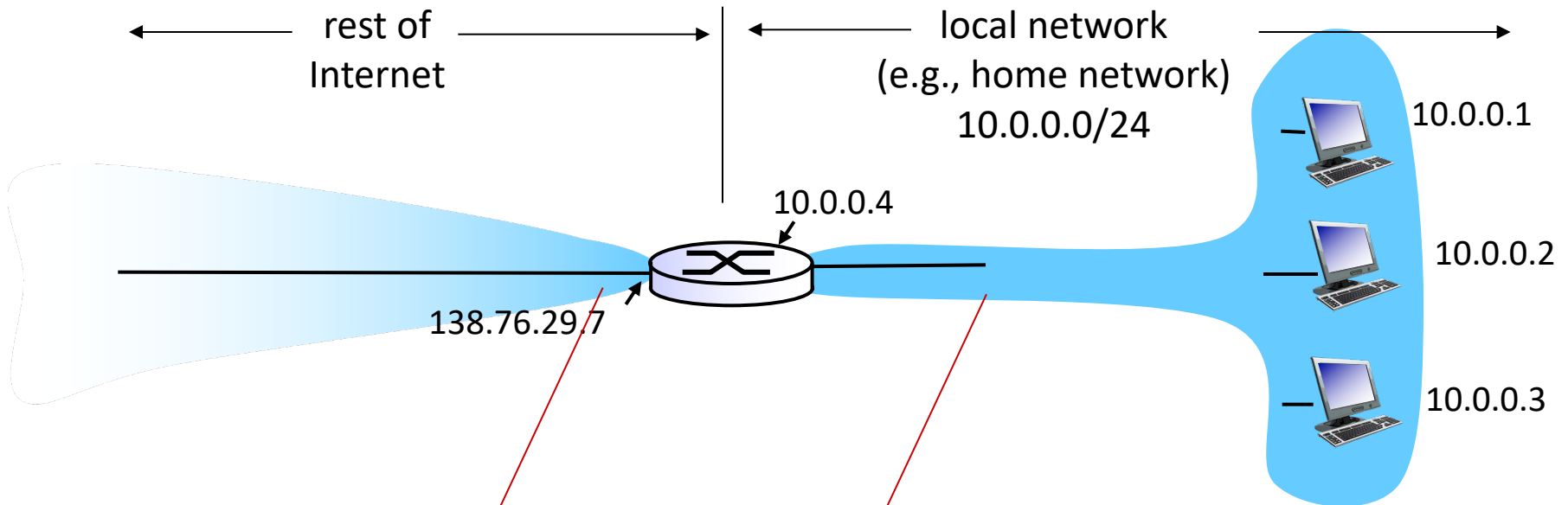
IPv4 Private Address Space and Filtering

According to standards set forth in Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) document [RFC-1918](#) , the following IPv4 address ranges are reserved by the IANA for private internets, and are *not* publicly routable on the global internet:

- **10.0.0.0/8 IP addresses:** 10.0.0.0 – 10.255.255.255
- **172.16.0.0/12 IP addresses:** 172.16.0.0 – 172.31.255.255
- **192.168.0.0/16 IP addresses:** 192.168.0.0 – 192.168.255.255

Note that only a *portion* of the “172” and the “192” address ranges are designated for private use. The remaining addresses are considered “public,” and thus are routable on the global Internet.

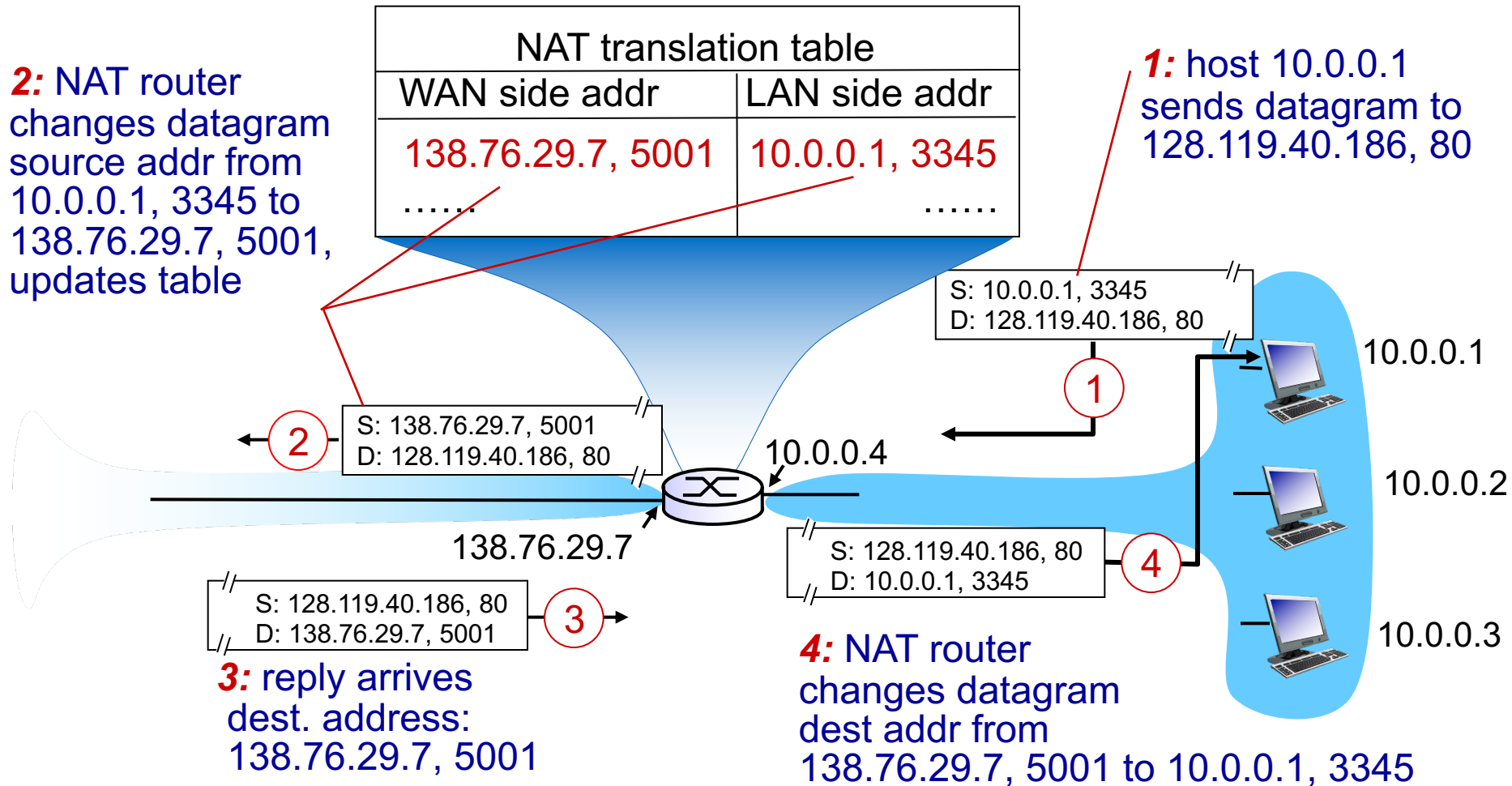
NAT: network address translation



all datagrams *leaving* local network have *same* single source NAT IP address: 138.76.29.7, different source port numbers

datagrams with source or destination in this network have 10.0.0.0/24 address for source, destination (as usual)

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motivation: local network uses just one IP address as far as outside world is concerned:

- range of addresses not needed from ISP: just one IP address for all devices
- can change addresses of devices in local network without notifying outside world
- can change ISP without changing addresses of devices in local network
- devices inside local net not explicitly addressable, visible by outside world (a security plus)

NAT: network address translation

implementation: NAT router must:

- *outgoing datagrams: replace* (source IP address, port #) of every outgoing datagram to (NAT IP address, new port #)
... remote clients/servers will respond using (NAT IP address, new port #) as destination addr
- *remember (in NAT translation table)* every (source IP address, port #) to (NAT IP address, new port #) translation pair
- *incoming datagrams: replace* (NAT IP address, new port #) in dest fields of every incoming datagram with corresponding (source IP address, port #) stored in NAT table

NAT: network address translation

- 16-bit port-number field:
 - Over 60,000 simultaneous connections with a single LAN-side address!
- NAT challenges:
 - violates end-to-end argument
 - NAT possibility must be taken into account by app designers, e.g., P2P applications
 - NAT traversal: what if client wants to connect to server behind NAT?

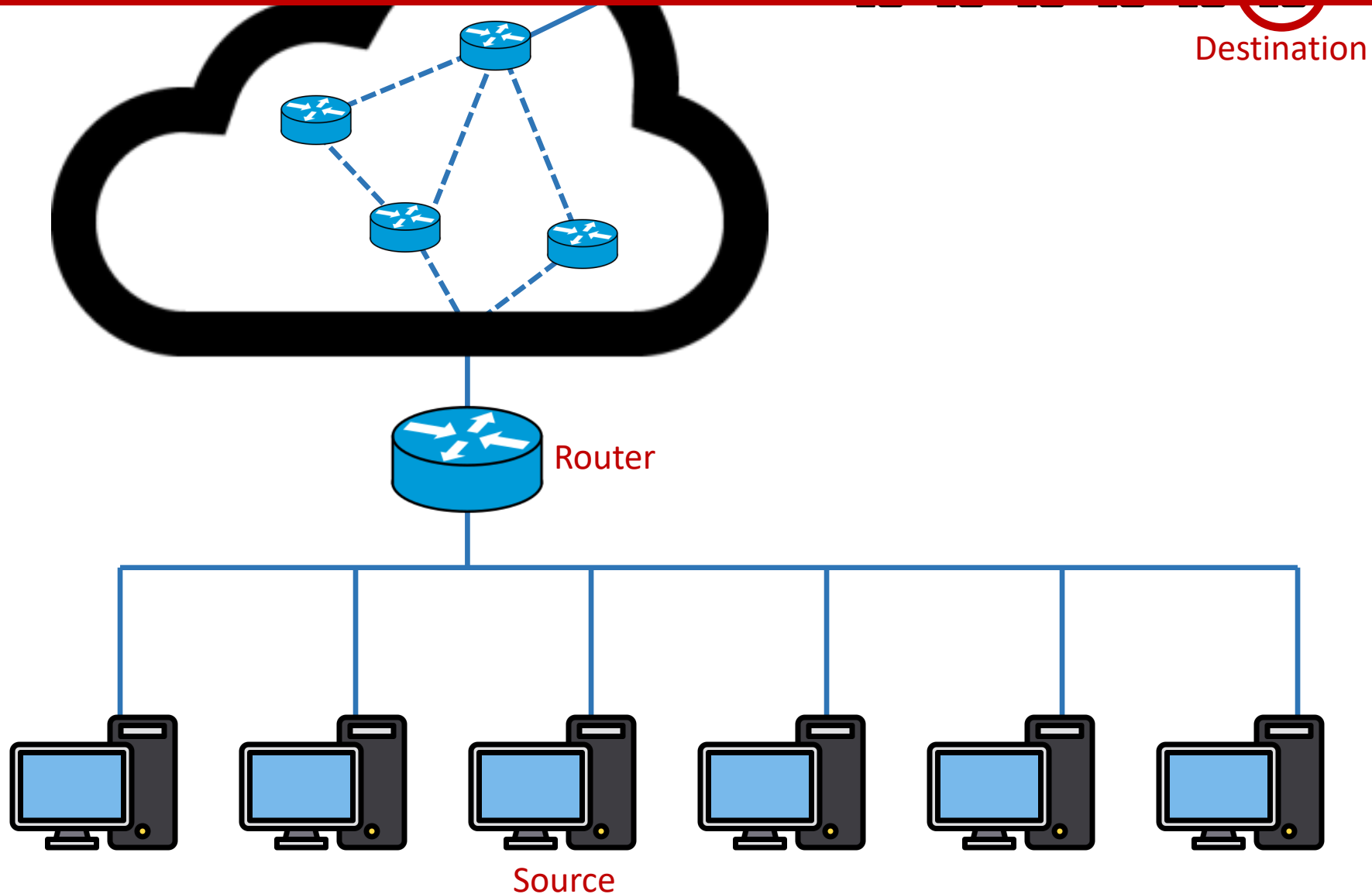
Network-specific address
(IP address)

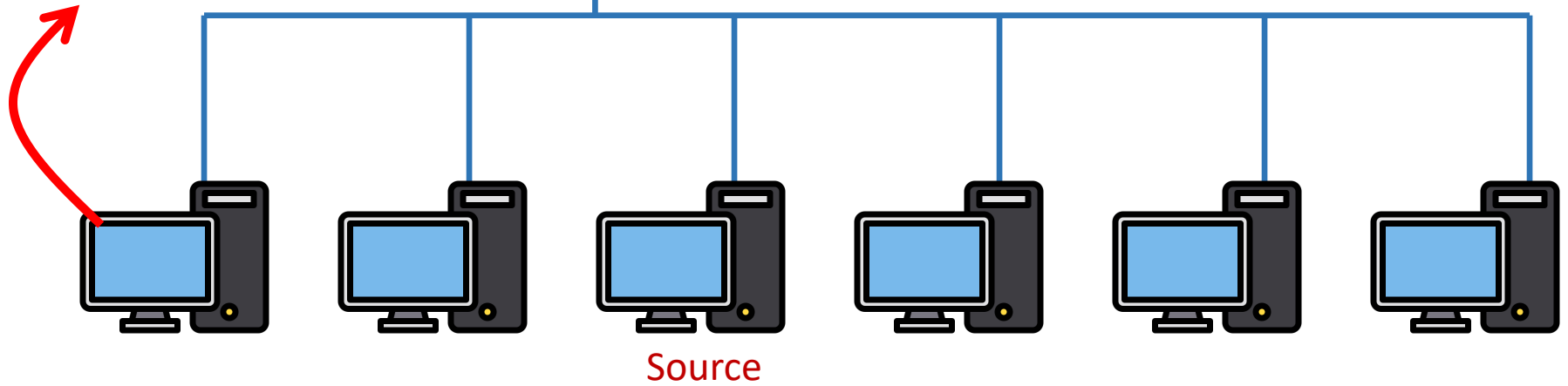
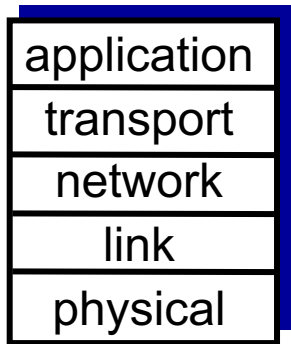
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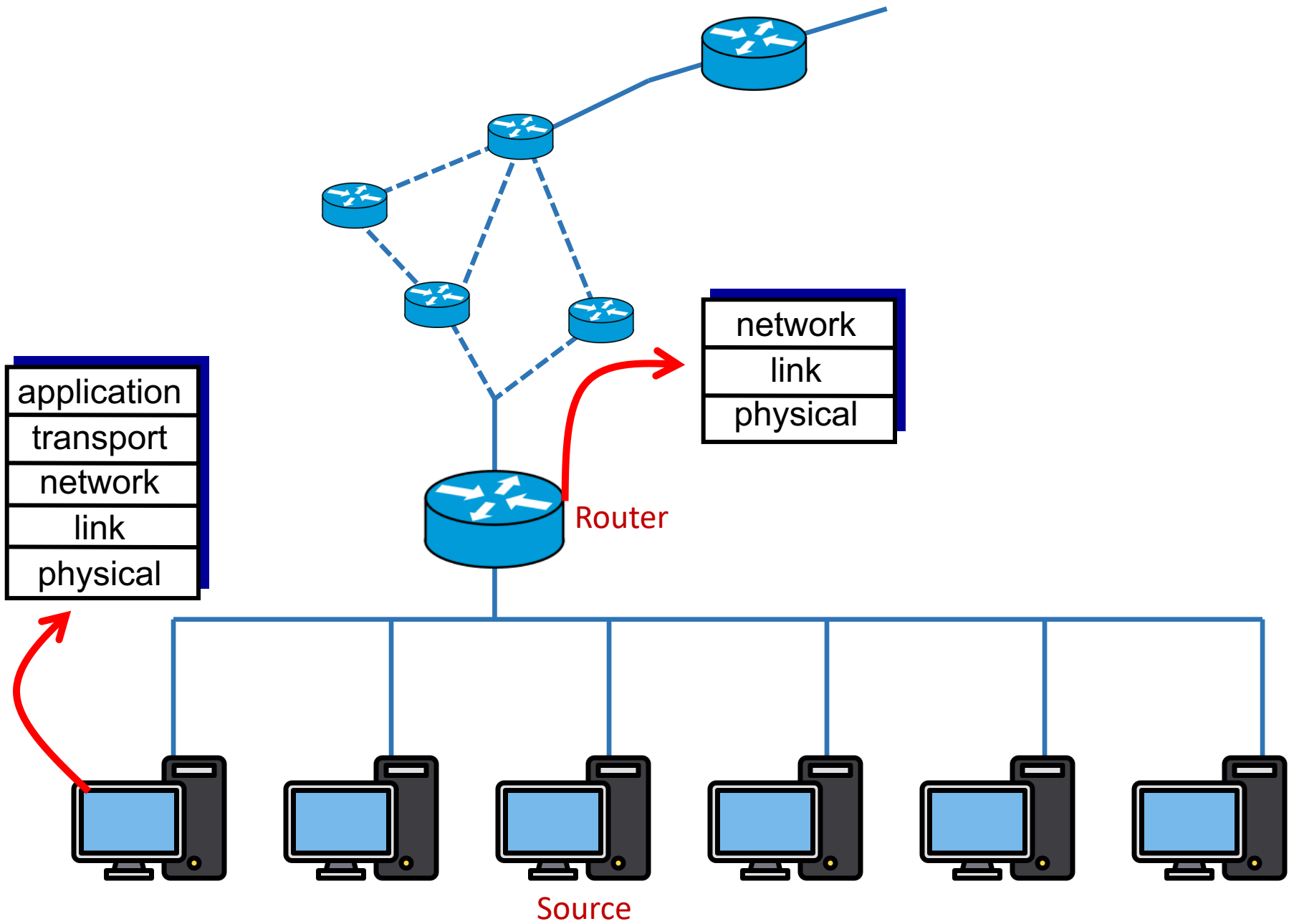
LAN-specific address
(HW address)

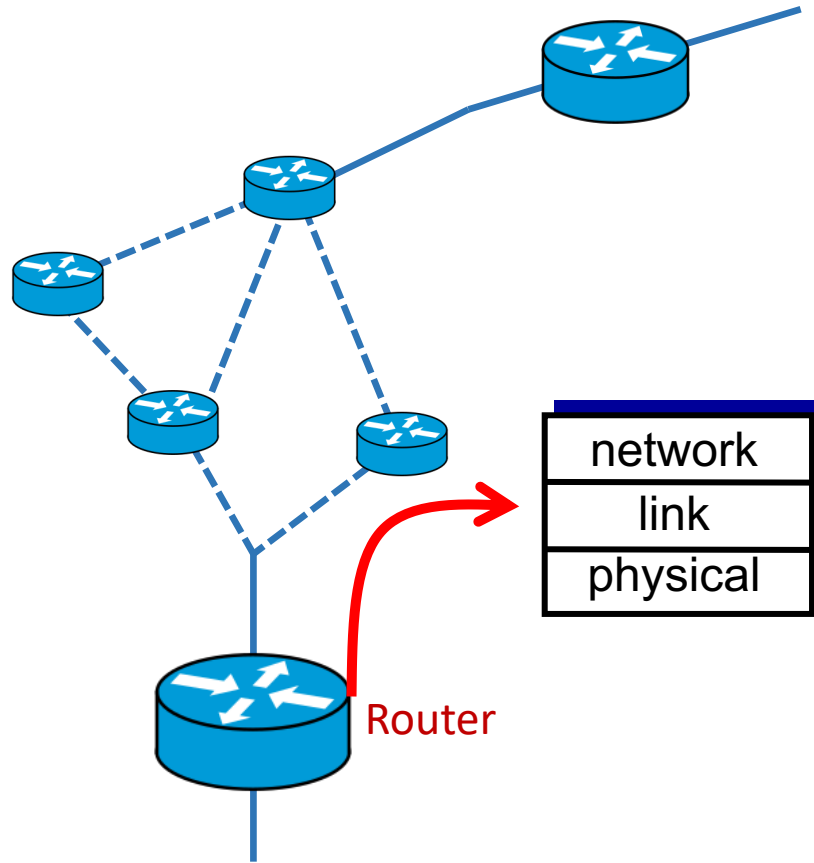
Two perspectives of addresses:

(1) Network-to-network & (2) machine-to-machine

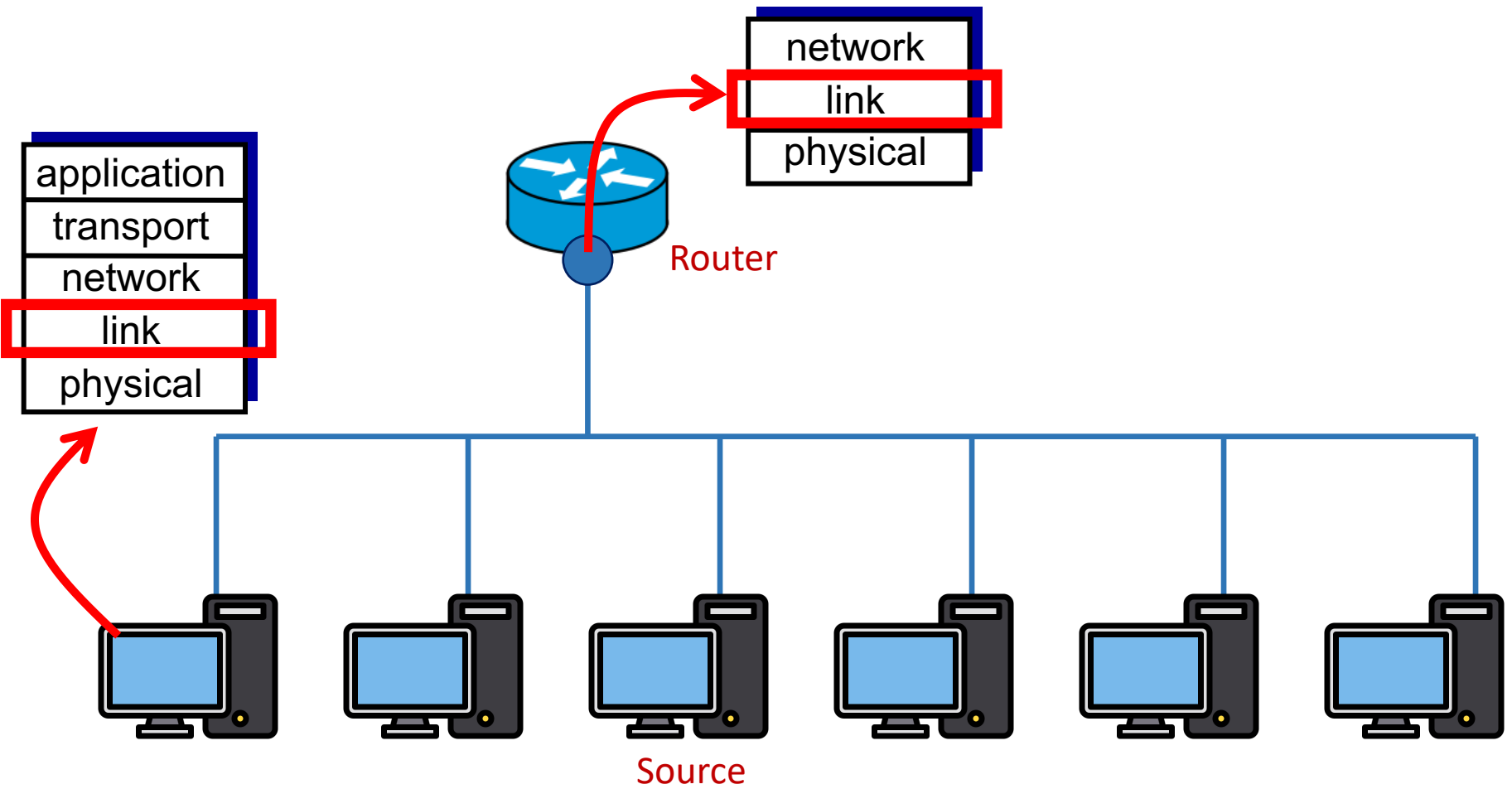




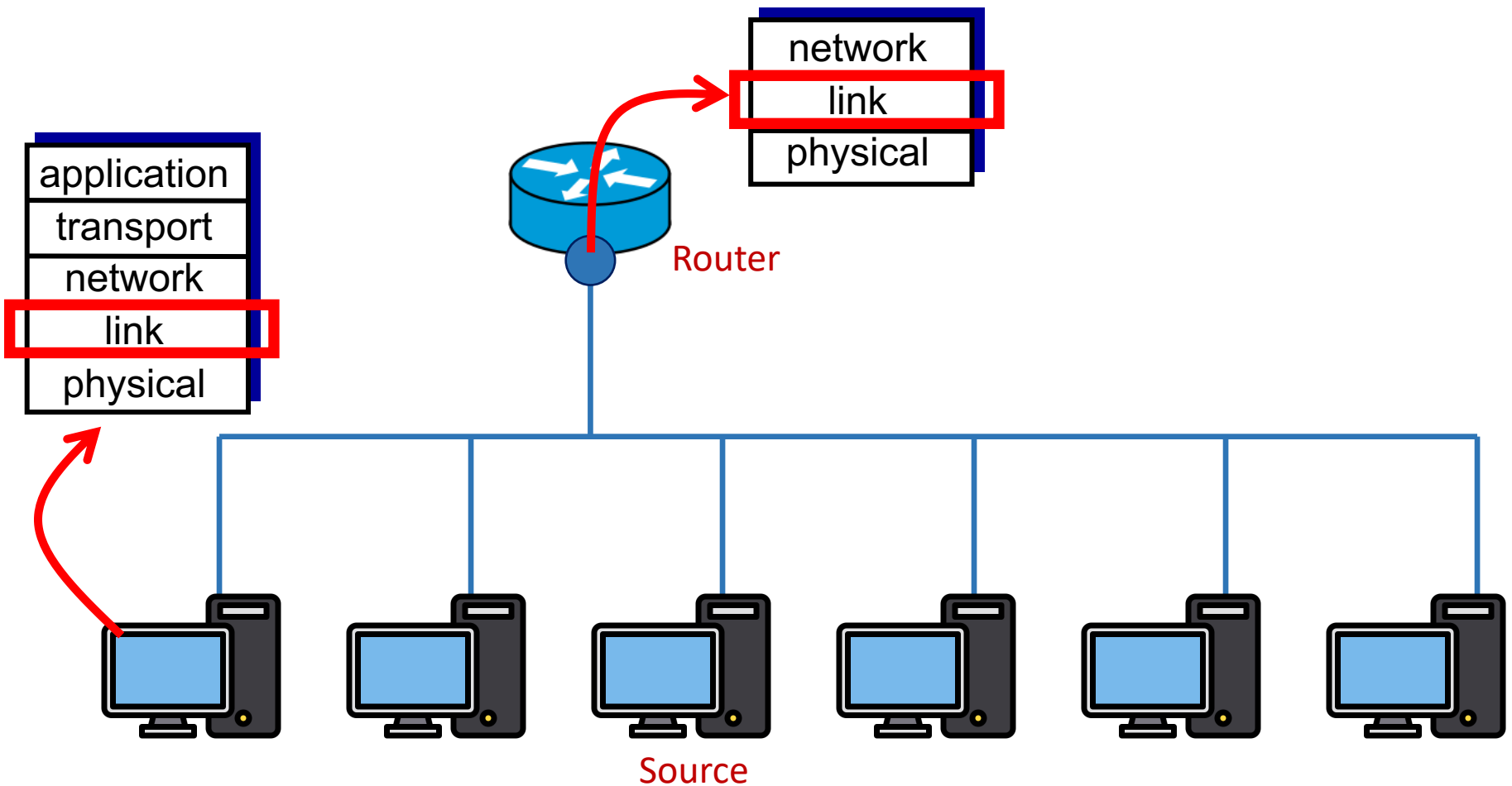




Hierarchical address for addressing networks
(IP address)



Flat address for addressing machines at the link-layer
(MAC address)



Address Resolution Protocol (ARP)

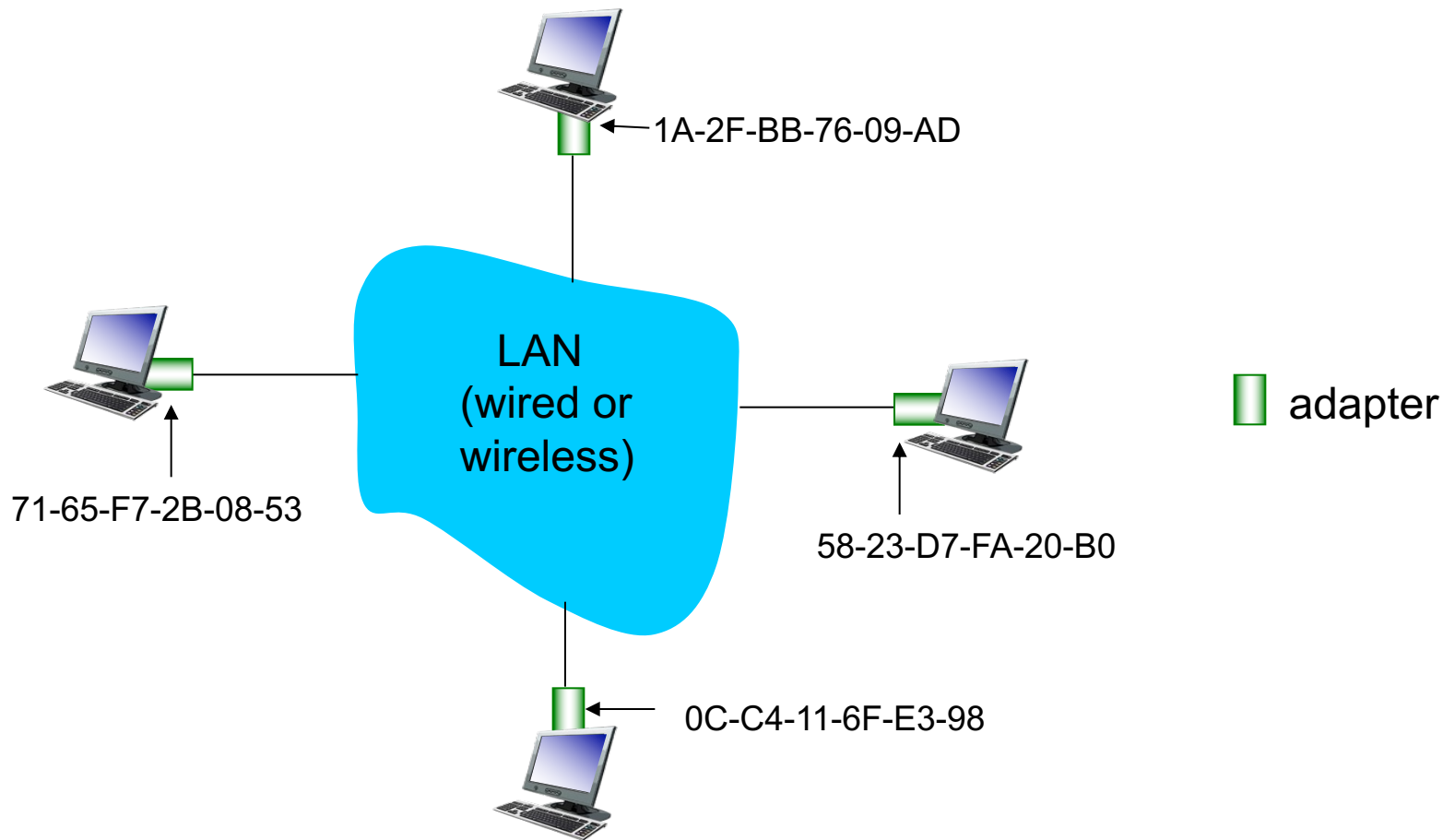
MAC addresses and ARP

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

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

MAC addresses and ARP

each adapter on LAN has unique **LAN** addr. or MAC addr.

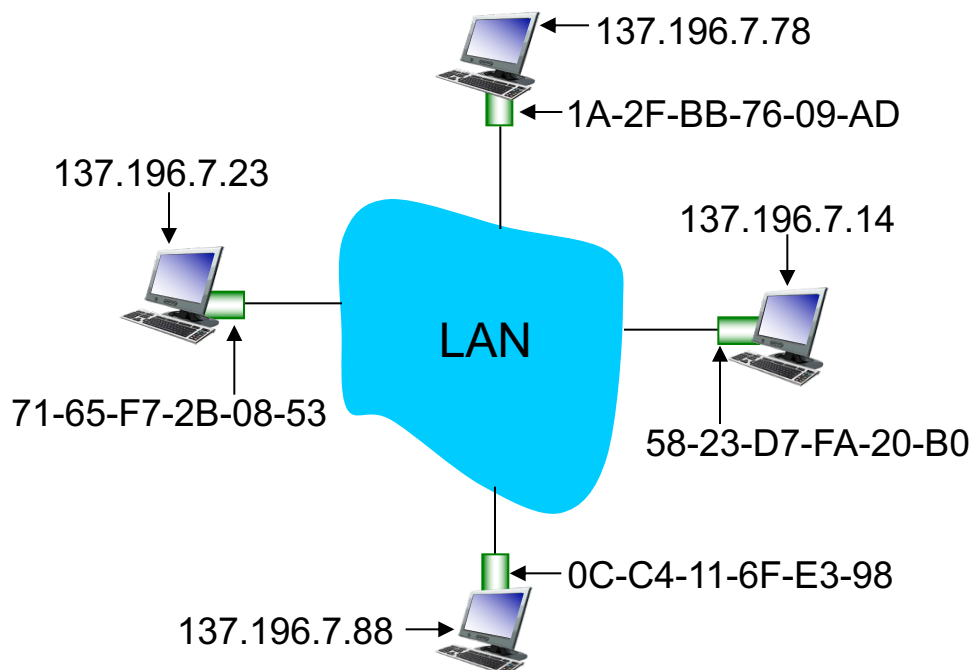


MAC addresses (more)

- MAC address allocation administered by IEEE
- manufacturer buys portion of MAC address space (to assure uniqueness)
- analogy:
 - MAC address: like Social Security Number
 - IP address: like postal address
- MAC flat address → portability
 - can move LAN card from one LAN to another
- IP hierarchical address *not* portable
 - address depends on IP subnet to which node is attached

ARP: address resolution protocol

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



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)

ARP protocol: same LAN

1. A wants to send datagram to B
 - B's MAC address not in A's ARP table.
2. A **broadcasts** ARP query packet, containing B's IP address
 - destination MAC address = FF-FF-FF-FF-FF-FF
 - all nodes on LAN receive ARP query
3. B receives ARP packet, replies to A with its (B's) MAC address
 - frame sent to A's MAC address (unicast)
4. A caches (saves) IP-to-MAC address pair in its ARP table until information becomes old (times out)
 - soft state: information that times out (goes away) unless refreshed
5. ARP is “plug-and-play”:
 - nodes create their ARP tables *without intervention from net administrator*

Address Translation Protocol (ARP)

- Map IP addresses into physical addresses
 - destination host
 - next hop router
- Techniques
 - encode physical address in host part of IP address
 - table-based
- ARP (Address Resolution Protocol)
 - table of IP to physical address bindings
 - broadcast request if IP address not in table
 - target machine responds with its physical address
 - table entries are discarded if not refreshed
 - Query message include the physical address of the sending host. Why?

ARP Packet Format

0	8	16	31
Hardware type = 1		ProtocolType = 0x0800	
HLen = 48	PLen = 32	Operation	
SourceHardwareAddr (bytes 0–3)			
SourceHardwareAddr (bytes 4–5)		SourceProtocolAddr (bytes 0–1)	
SourceProtocolAddr (bytes 2–3)		TargetHardwareAddr (bytes 0–1)	
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- HardwareType: type of physical network (e.g., Ethernet)
- ProtocolType: type of higher layer protocol (e.g., IP)
- HLEN & PLEN: length of physical and protocol addresses
- Operation: request or response
- Source/Target Physical/Protocol addresses