



Chapter 7: Enhanced Interior Gateway Protocol (EIGRP)



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Basic Features of EIGRP

Features of EIGRP

- Released in 1992 as a Cisco proprietary protocol.
- 2013 basic functionality of EIGRP released as an open standard.
- Advanced Distance Vector routing protocol.
- Uses the Diffusing Update Algorithm (DUAL) to calculate paths and back-up paths.
- Establishes Neighbor Adjacencies.
- Uses the Reliable Transport Protocol to provide delivery of EIGRP packets to neighbors.
- Partial and Bounded Updates. Send updates only when there is a change and only to the routers that need the information.
- Supports Equal and Unequal Cost Load Balancing.

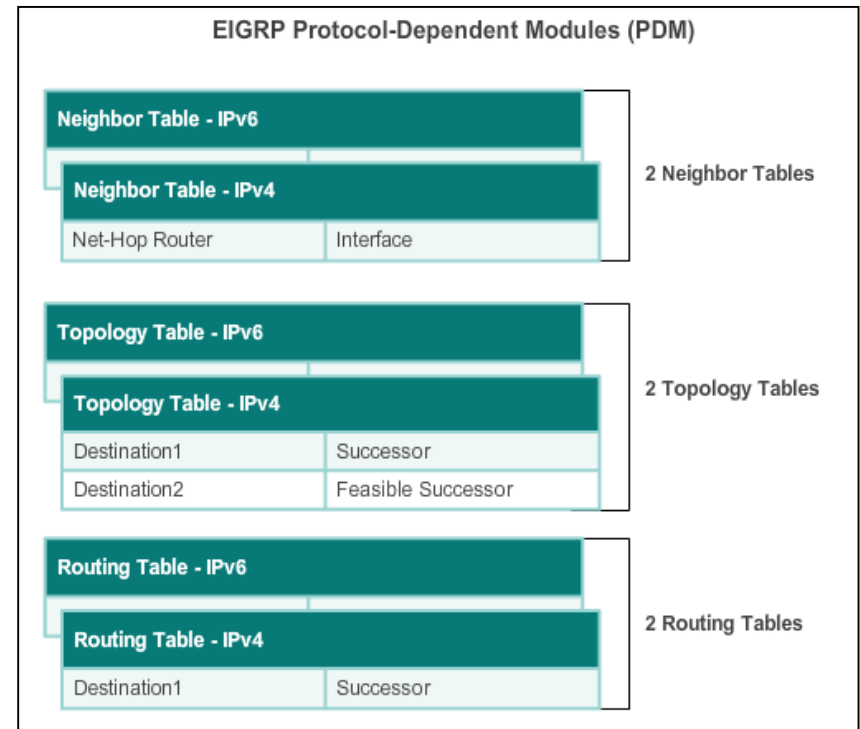


Basic Features of EIGRP

Protocol Dependent Modules

EIGRP:ssä tallennetaan kolme eri reititystaulua

- **Naapuri-informaatio / Neighbor table**
 - mm. naapurien osoitteet ja "local interface"
 - *show ip eigrp neighbors*
- **Naapureilta opittu topologiainformaatio / Topology table**
 - Kaikki omat ja naapurien verkot
 - metric-arvot ja liitynnät kohdeverkkoihin
 - *Show ip eigrp topology*
- **Varsinainen reititystaulu / Routing table**
 - *Show ip route*

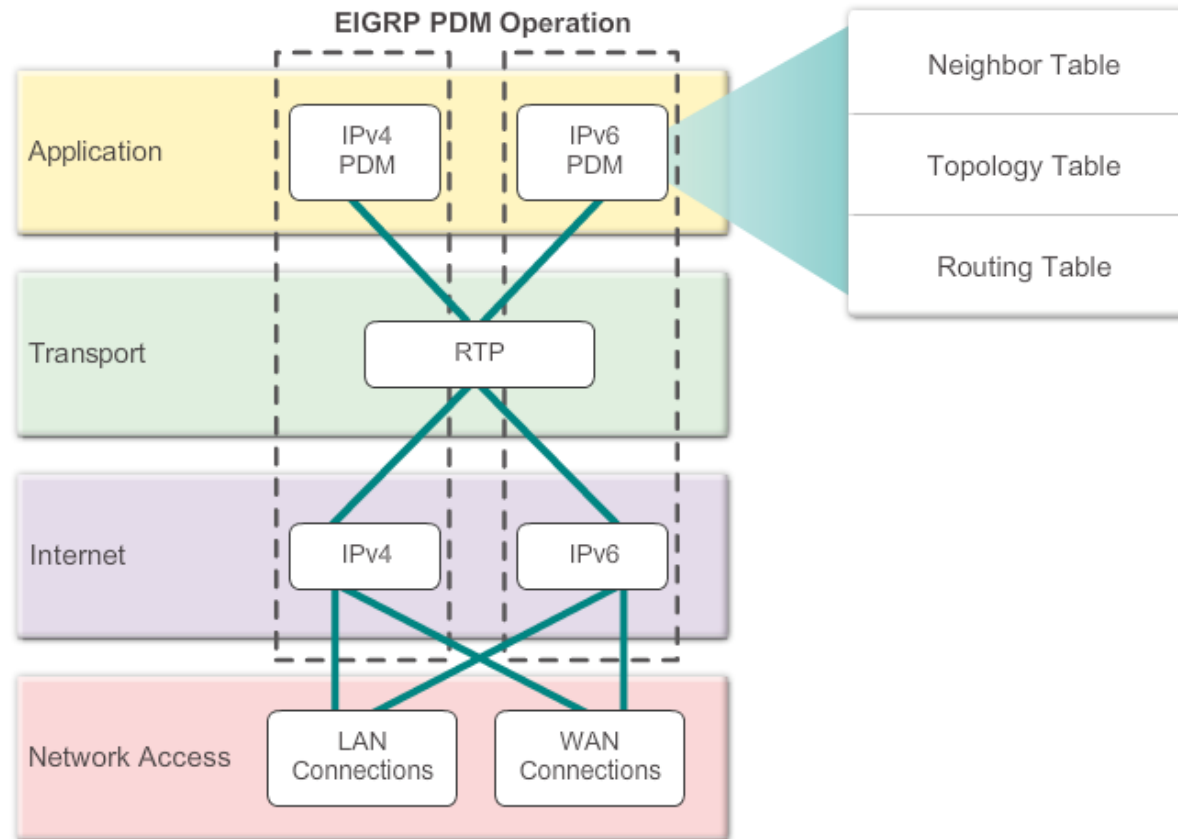




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Reliable Transport Protocol

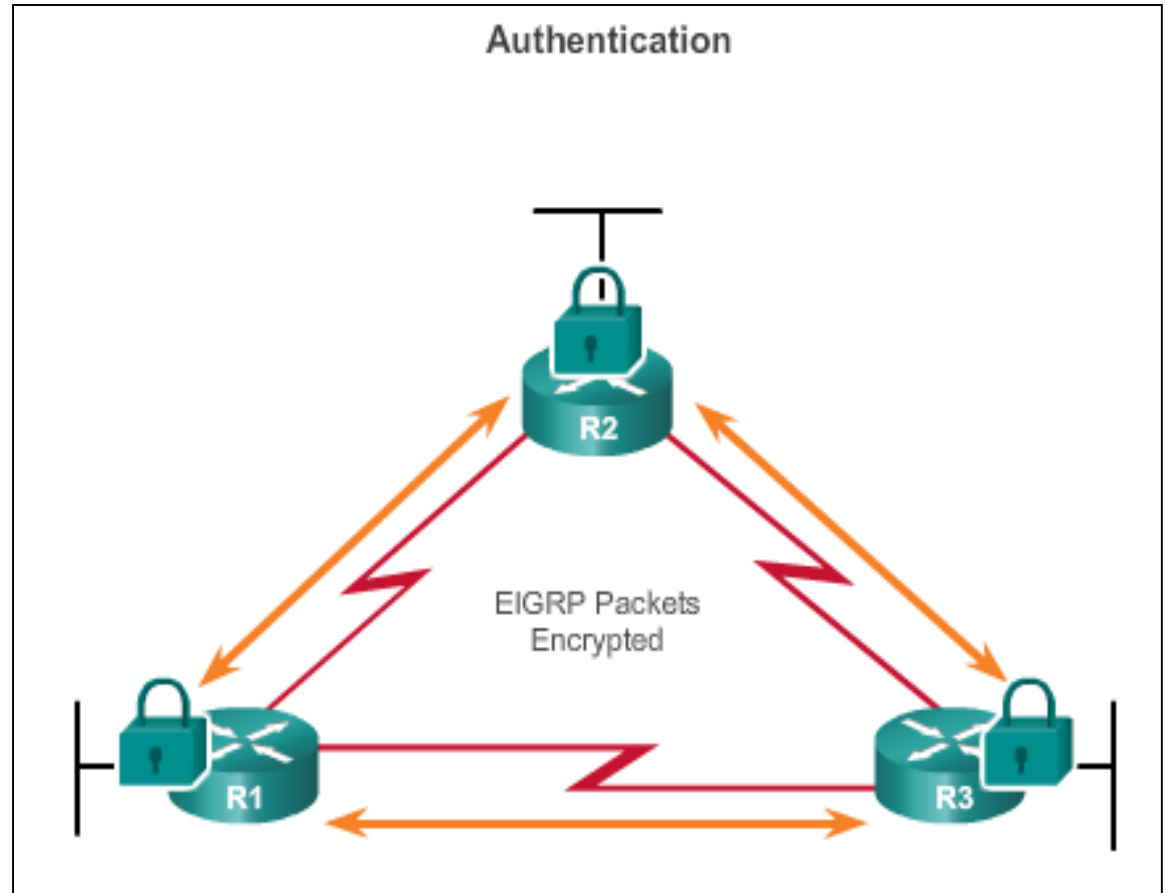
EIGRP Replaces TCP with RTP





Basic Features of EIGRP Authentication

- EIGRP can be configured to authenticate routing information.
- Ensures routers only accept updates from routers that have been configured with the correct authentication information.





Types of EIGRP Packets

EIGRP Packet Types

Packet Type	Description
Hello	Used to discover other EIGRP routers in the network.
Acknowledgement	Used to acknowledge the receipt of any EIGRP packet.
Update	Convey routing information to known destinations.
Query	Used to request specific information from a neighbor router.
Reply	Used to respond to a query.



Types of EIGRP Packets

EIGRP Hello Packets

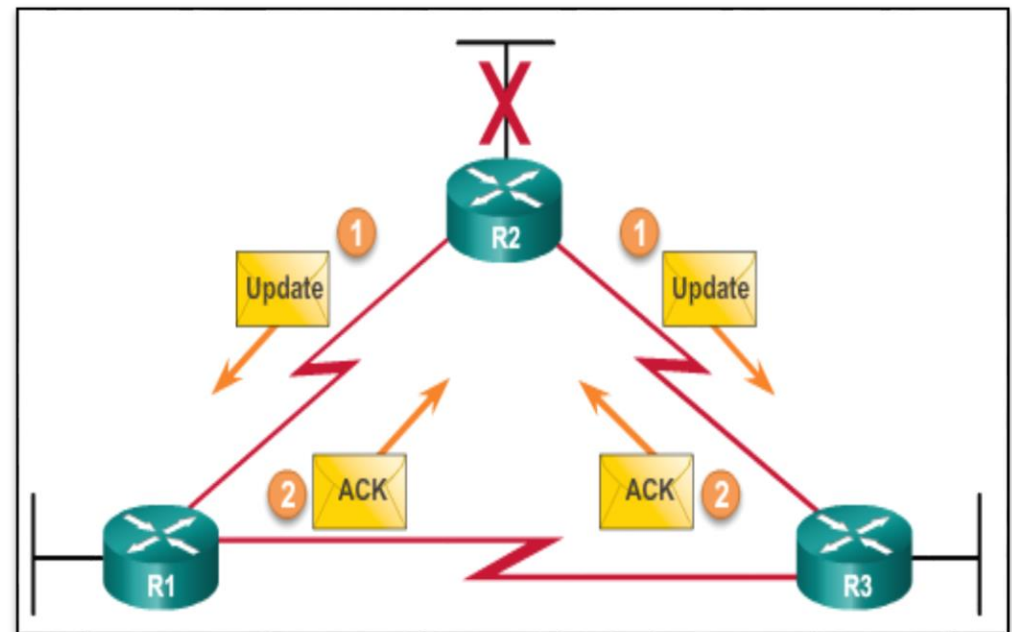
- Used to discover EIGRP neighbors.
- Used to form and maintain EIGRP neighbor adjacencies.
- Sent as IPv4 or IPv6 multicasts.
- IPv4 multicast address 224.0.0.10.
- IPv6 multicast address FF02::A.
- Unreliable delivery
- Sent every 5 seconds (every 60 seconds on low-speed NBMA networks).
- EIGRP uses a default Hold timer of three times the Hello interval before declaring neighbor unreachable.



Types of EIGRP Packets

EIGRP Update & Acknowledgement Packets

- Update packets are sent to propagate routing information, only when necessary.
- Sends **Partial** updates – only contains information about route changes.
- Sends **Bounded** updates- sent only to routers affected by the change.
- Updates use reliable delivery, therefore, require an **acknowledgement**.

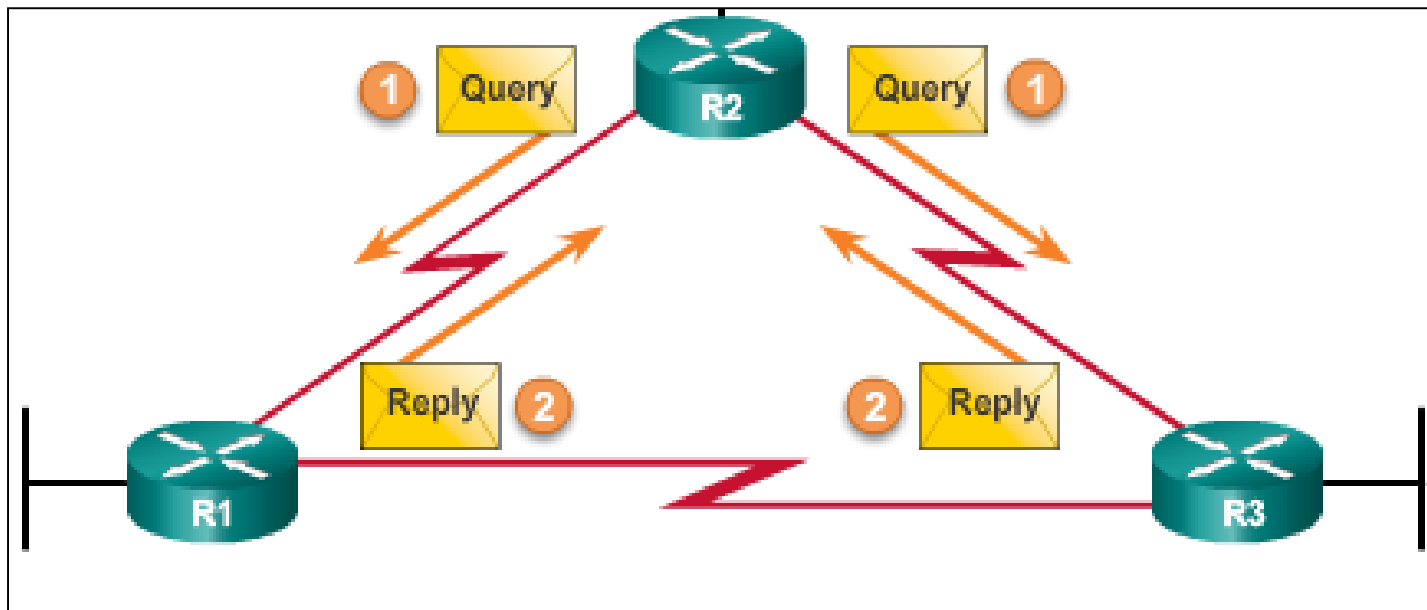




Types of EIGRP Packets

EIGRP Query and Reply Packets

- Query used to query routes from neighbors.
- Reply sent in response to an EIGRP query
- Both packets use reliable delivery.





7.2 Configuring EIGRP for IPv4

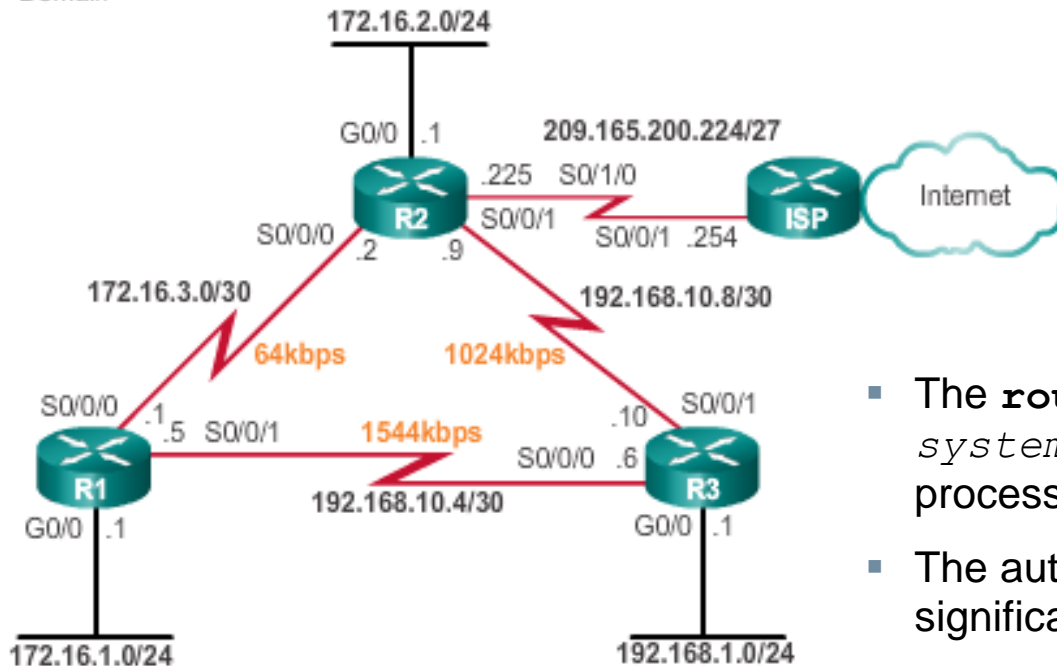


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Configuring EIGRP with IPv4

EIGRP Network Topology

EIGRP Routing Domain



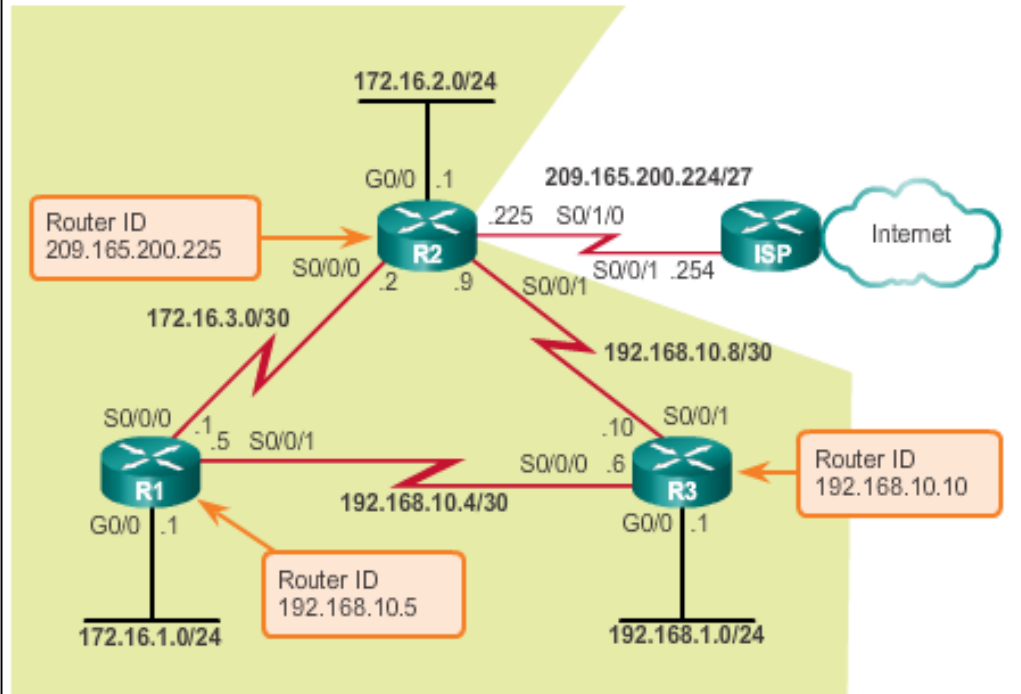
- The **router eigrp autonomous-system** command enables the EIGRP process.
- The autonomous system number is only significant to the EIGRP routing domain.



Configuring EIGRP with IPv4

EIGRP Router ID

Topology with Default EIGRP Router IDs



- Configuring the EIGRP router ID

```
Router(config)# router eigrp  

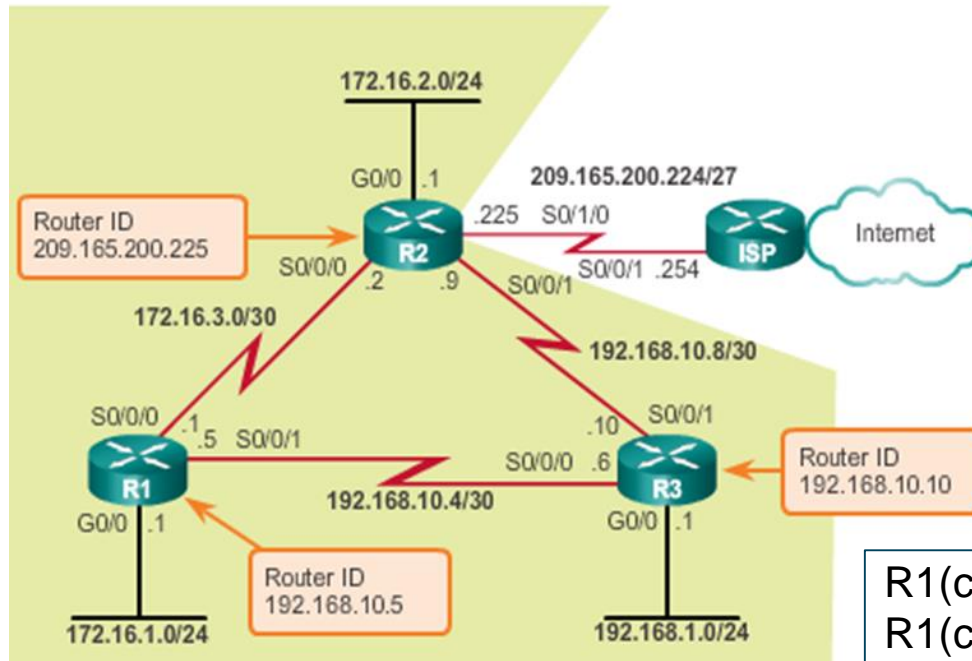
autonomous-system
```

```
Router(config-router)# eigrp  

router-id ipv4-address
```
- The IPv4 loopback address can be used as the router ID.
- The IPV4 interface address can be used as the router ID



Configuring EIGRP with IPv4 Network Command



```
R1(config)#router eigrp 1
R1(config-router)#network 172.16.0.0
R1(config-router)#network 192.168.10.0
R1(config-router)#
tai ...

R1(config)#router eigrp 1
R1(config-router)#network 172.16.1.0 0.0.0.255
R1(config-router)#network 172.16.3.0 0.0.0.255
R1(config-router)#network 192.168.10.4 0.0.0.3
R1(config-router)#
```



Configuring EIGRP with IPv4 Command

- The **eigrp log-neighbor-changes** router configuration mode
 - On by default
 - Displays changes in neighbor adjacencies
 - Verifies neighbor adjacencies during configuration
 - Indicates when any adjacencies have been removed

- Use the **passive-interface** command to:
 - Prevent neighbor adjacencies
 - Suppress unnecessary update traffic
 - Increase security controls, such as preventing unknown rogue routing devices from receiving EIGRP updates



Configuring EIGRP with IPv4

Verifying EIGRP: Examining Neighbors

```

R1#show ip eigrp neighbors
EIGRP-IPv4 Neighbors for AS(1)

```

H	Address	Interface	Hold (sec)	Uptime	SRTT (ms)	RTO	Q Cnt	Seq Num
1	192.168.10.6	Se0/0/1	11	04:57:14	27	162	0	8
0	172.16.3.2	Se0/0/0	13	07:53:46	20	120	0	10

```

R1#

```

Neighbor's IPv4 Address

Local Interface receiving EIGRP Hello packets

Seconds remaining before declaring neighbor down. The current hold time and is reset to the maximum hold time whenever a Hello packet is received.

Amount of time since this neighbor was added to the neighbor table.

Q Count: Number of EIGRP packets (update, query, and reply) that the software is waiting to send.

Seq Num: Sequence number of the last update, query, or reply packet that was received from this neighbor.

SRTT: Smooth round-trip time. This is the number of milliseconds required for an EIGRP packet to be sent to this neighbor and for the local router to receive an acknowledgment of that packet.

RTO: Retransmission timeout (in milliseconds). This is the amount of time the software waits before resending a packet from the retransmission queue to a neighbor.



Configuring EIGRP with IPv4

Verifying EIGRP: show ip protocols Command

show ip protocols Command

```

R1# show ip protocols
*** IP Routing is NSF aware ***

Routing Protocol is "eigrp 1" 1 Routing protocol and Process ID (AS Number)
  Outgoing update filter list for all interfaces is not set
  Incoming update filter list for all interfaces is not set
  Default networks flagged in outgoing updates
  Default networks accepted from incoming updates
  EIGRP-IPv4 Protocol for AS(1)
    Metric weight K1=1, K2=0, K3=1, K4=0, K5=0
    NSF-aware route hold timer is 240
  Router-ID: 1.1.1.1 2 EIGRP Router ID
  Topology : 0 (base)
    Active Timer: 3 min
  Distance: internal 90 external 170 3 EIGRP Administrative Distances
    Maximum path: 4
    Maximum hopcount 100
    Maximum metric variance 1

  Automatic Summarization: disabled 4 EIGRP Automatic Summarization is disabled.
    Maximum path: 4
  Routing for Networks:
    172.16.0.0
    192.168.10.0

  Routing Information Sources: 5 EIGRP Routing Information Sources lists all the EIGRP routing sources the IOS uses to build its IPv4 routing table.
    Gateway      Distance    Last Update
    192.168.10.6      90      00:40:20
    172.16.3.2       90      00:40:20

  Distance: internal 90 external 170

R1#
  
```




Configuring EIGRP with IPv4

Verifying EIGRP: Examine the IPv4 Routing Table

R1's IPv4 Routing Table

```

172.16.0.0/16 is variably subnetted, 5 subnets, 3
masks
C       172.16.1.0/24 is directly connected,
GigabitEthernet0/0
L       172.16.1.1/32 is directly connected,
GigabitEthernet0/0
D       172.16.2.0/24 [90/2170112] via 172.16.3.2,
00:14:35, Serial0/0/0
C       172.16.3.0/30 is directly connected, Serial0/0/0
L       172.16.3.1/32 is directly connected, Serial0/0/0
D       192.168.1.0/24 [90/2170112] via 192.168.10.6,
00:13:57, Serial0/0/1
        192.168.10.0/24 is variably subnetted, 3 subnets, 2
masks
C       192.168.10.4/30 is directly connected,
Serial0/0/1
L       192.168.10.5/32 is directly connected,
Serial0/0/1
D       192.168.10.8/30 [90/2681856] via 192.168.10.6,
00:50:42, Serial0/0/1
                                [90/2681856] via 172.16.3.2,
00:50:42, Serial0/0/0
R1#

```



7.3 Operation of EIGRP



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Metrics

EIGRP Composite Metric

Default Composite Formula:

$$\text{metric} = [K1 * \text{bandwidth} + K3 * \text{delay}] * 256$$

Complete Composite Formula:

$$\text{metric} = [K1 * \text{bandwidth} + (K2 * \text{bandwidth}) / (256 - \text{load}) + K3 * \text{delay}] * [K5 / (\text{reliability} + K4)]$$

(Not used if "K" values are 0)

Note: This is a conditional formula. If K5 = 0, the last term is replaced by 1 and the formula becomes: Metric = $[K1 * \text{bandwidth} + (K2 * \text{bandwidth}) / (256 - \text{load}) + K3 * \text{delay}] * 256$

Default Values:

K1 (bandwidth) = 1
K2 (load) = 0
K3 (delay) = 1
K4 (reliability) = 0
K5 (reliability) = 0

"K" values can be changed with the command shown below.

```
Router(config-router)# metric weights tos k1 k2 k3 k4 k5
```



Metrics

Examining Interface Values

- BW – Bandwidth of the interface (in Kilobits per second).
- DLY – Delay of the interface (microseconds).
- Reliability – Reliability of interface; by default, the value is not included in the computing metric.
- Txload, Rxload – By default, the value is not included in the computing metric.

```
R1#show interface serial 0/0/0
Serial0/0/0 is up, line protocol is up
  Hardware is WIC MBRD Serial
  Internet address is 172.16.3.1/30
  MTU 1500 bytes, BW 1544 Kbit/sec, DLY 20000 usec,
    reliability 255/255, txload 1/255, rxload 1/255
  Encapsulation HDLC, loopback not set
<Output omitted>
R1#

R1#show interface gigabitethernet 0/0
GigabitEthernet0/0 is up, line protocol is up
  Hardware is CN Gigabit Ethernet, address is fc99.4775.c3e0 (bia
fc99.4775.c3e0)
  Internet address is 172.16.1.1/24
  MTU 1500 bytes, BW 100000 Kbit/sec, DLY 100 usec,
    reliability 255/255, txload 1/255, rxload 1/255
  Encapsulation ARPA, loopback not set
<Output omitted>
R1#
```



Metrics

Bandwidth Metric

- Use the **show interfaces** command to verify bandwidth.
- Most serial bandwidths are set to 1,544 kb/s (default).
- A correct value for bandwidth is very important in order to calculate the correct metric (both sides of link must have same bandwidth).

```
R1(config)# interface s 0/0/0
R1(config-if)# bandwidth 64
```

```
R1# show interface s 0/0/0
Serial0/0/0 is up, line protocol is up
  Hardware is WIC MBRD Serial
  Internet address is 172.16.3.1/30
  MTU 1500 bytes, BW 64 Kbit/sec, DLY 20000 usec,
    reliability 255/255, txload 1/255, rxload 1/255
<Output omitted>
```



Metrics

Delay Metric

Interface Delay Values

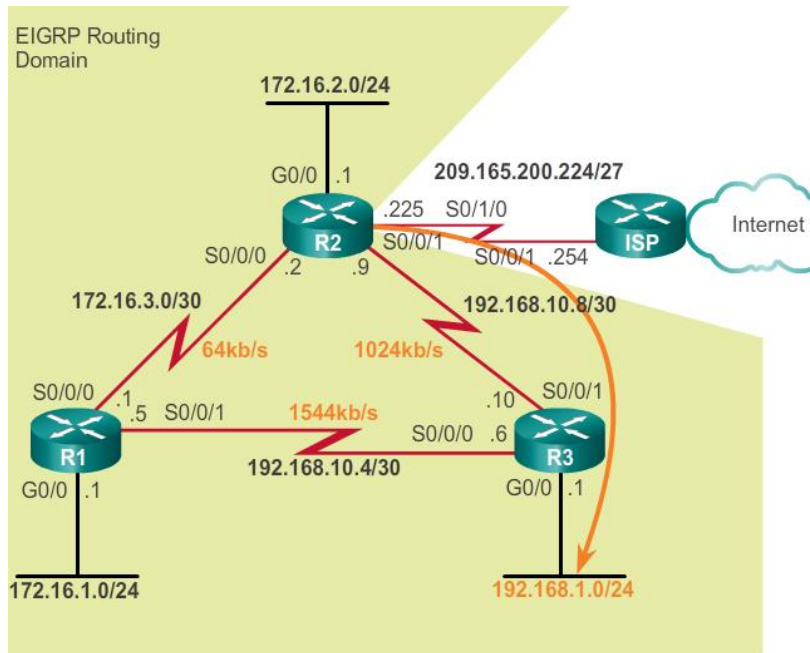
Media	Delay
Ethernet	1,000
Fast Ethernet	100
Gigabit Ethernet	10
16M Token Ring	630
FDDI	100
T1 (Serial Default)	20,000
DS0 (64 kb/s)	20,000
1024 kb/s	20,000
56 kb/s	20,000



Metrics

Calculating the EIGRP Metric

- Step 1.** Determine the link with the slowest bandwidth. Use that value to calculate bandwidth (10,000,000/bandwidth).
- Step 2.** Determine the delay value for each outgoing interface on the way to the destination. Add the delay values and divide by 10 (sum of delay/10).
- Step 3.** Add the computed values for bandwidth and delay, and multiply the sum by 256 to obtain the EIGRP metric.



$$[K1 * \text{bandwidth} + K3 * \text{delay}] * 256 = \text{Metric}$$

Since K1 and K3 both equal 1, the formula simplifies to:

$$(\text{Bandwidth} + \text{Delay}) * 256 = \text{Metric}$$

$$((10,000,000 / \text{bandwidth}) + (\text{sum of delay} / 10)) * 256 = \text{Metric}$$

```
R2# show ip route
```

```
D 192.168.1.0/24 [90/3012096] via 192.168.10.10, 00:12:32, Serial10/0/1
```

$$B=10000000/1024$$

$$D=(20000+10)/10$$

$$(\text{Bandwidth} + \text{Delay}) * 256 = \text{Metric}$$

$$(9765 + 2001) * 256 = 3,012,096$$



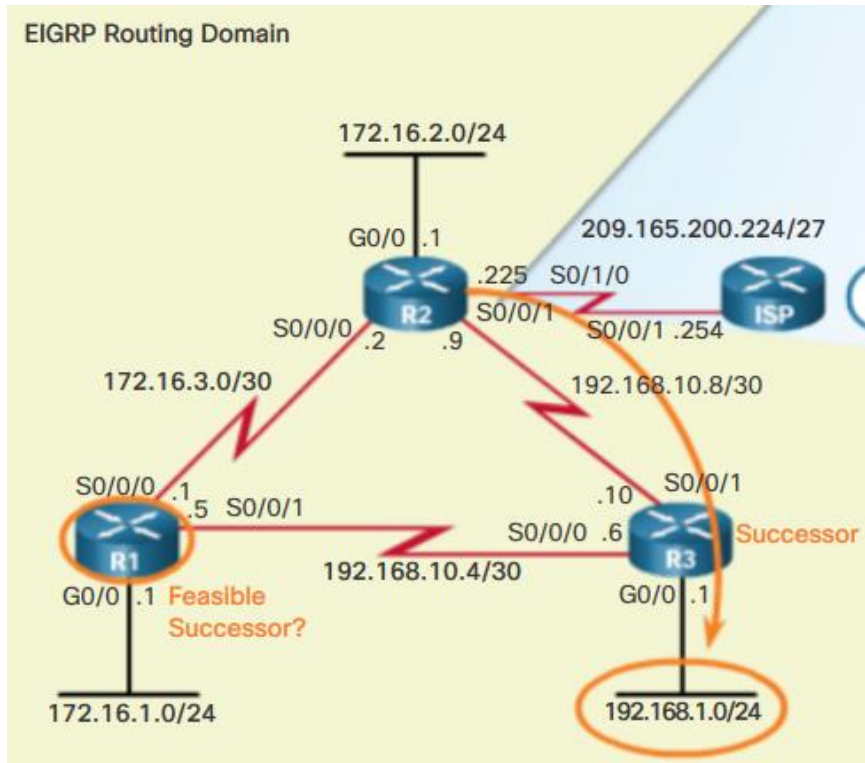
DUAL and the Topology Table

DUAL Concepts

- EIGRP uses the Diffusing Update Algorithm (DUAL) to provide the best loop-free path and loop-free backup paths.
- **DUAL** provides the following:
 - Loop-free paths and loop-free backup paths
 - Fast convergence
 - Minimum bandwidth usage with bounded updates
 - EIGRP maintains a list of backup routes that DUAL has already determined that can be used immediately if the primary path fails.
- DUAL uses several terms
 - Successor
 - Feasible Distance (FD)
 - Feasible Successor (FS)
 - Reported Distance (RD) or Advertised Distance (AD)
 - Feasible Condition or Feasibility Condition (FC)



Successor and Feasible Distance



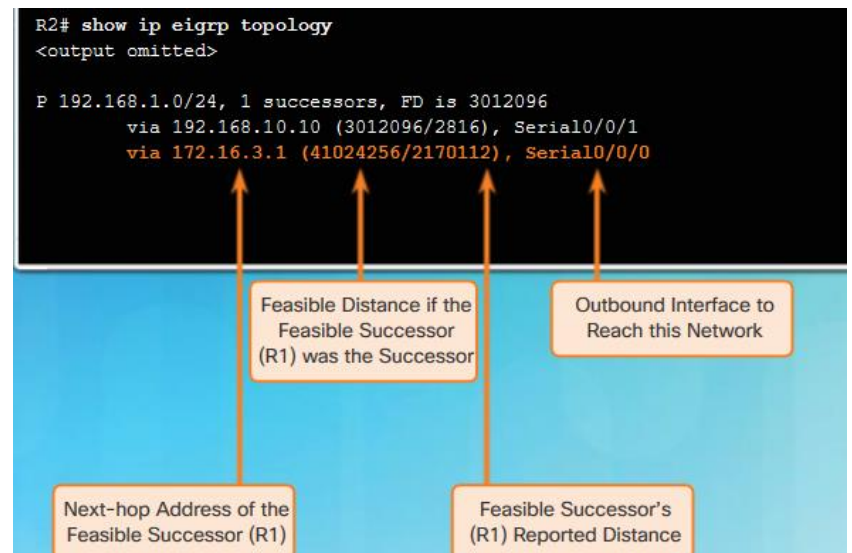
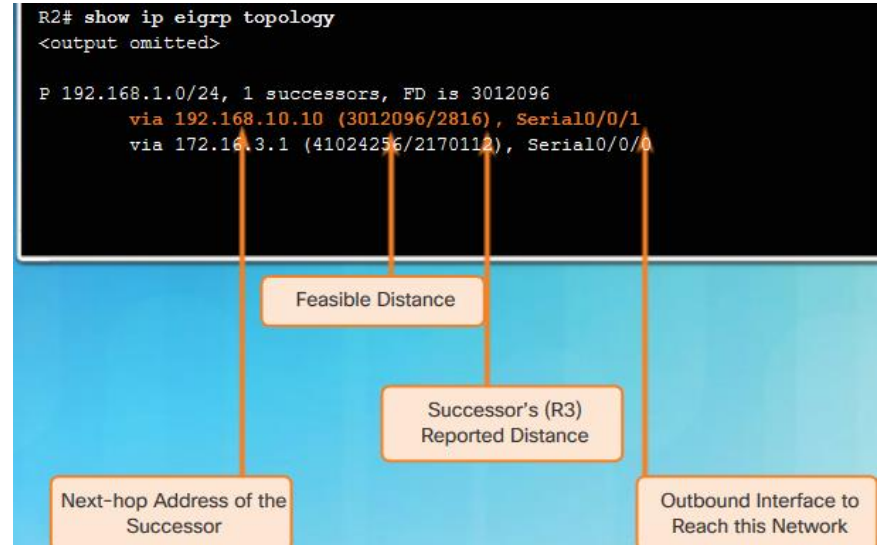
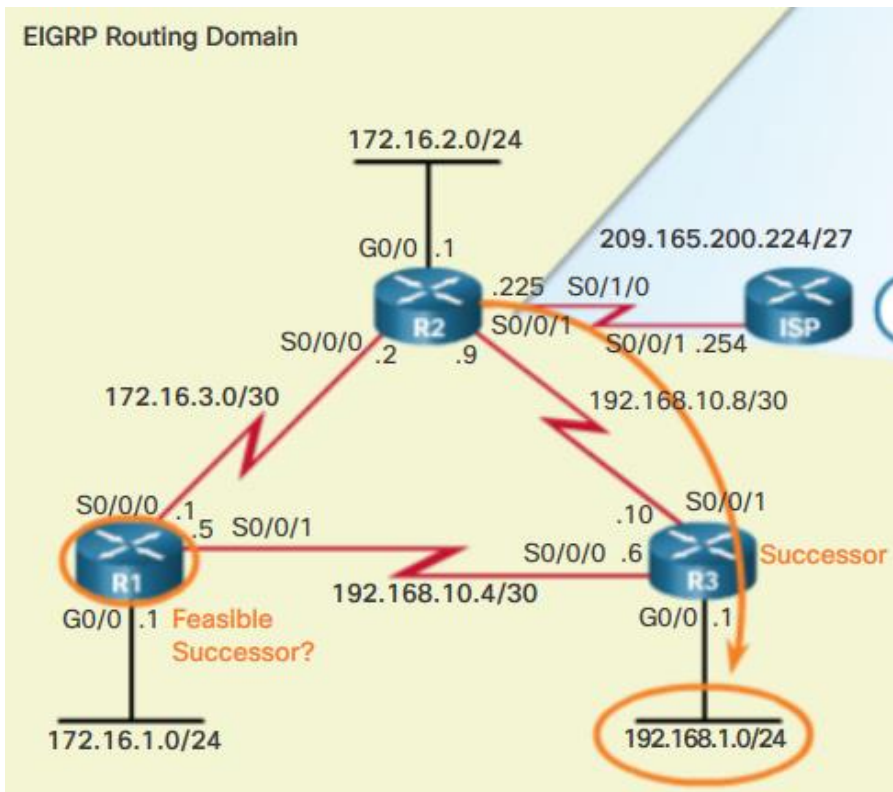


Feasible Successors, Feasibility Condition, and Reported Distance

- **Feasible Successor (FS)** is a neighbor that has a loop-free backup path to the same network as the successor, and it satisfies the Feasibility Condition (FC).
- **Reported Distance (RD)** is an EIGRP neighbor's feasible distance to the same destination network.
- **Feasibility Condition (FC)** is met when a neighbor's Reported Distance (RD) to a network is less than the local router's feasible distance to the same destination network.



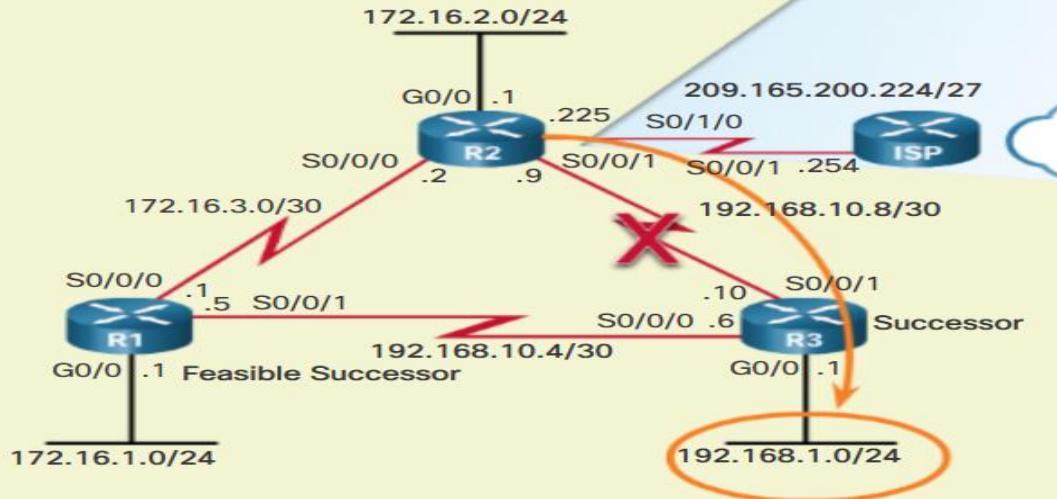
Feasible Successors, Feasibility Condition, and Reported Distance





No Feasible Successor

EIGRP Routing Domain



```
R1# show ip eigrp topology all-links
<output omitted>
```

```
P 192.168.1.0/24, 1 successors, FD is 2170112, serno 9
  via 192.168.10.6 (2170112/2816), Serial0/0/1
  via 172.16.3.2 (41024256/3012096), Serial0/0/0
```

R1's Feasible
Distance

R2's Reported
Distance

Successor

Not a feasible
successor