Adressage et Routage point à point dans l'Internet

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Outline

- Naming and Addressing
 - Names and addresses
 - Hierarchical naming
 - Addressing
 - Addressing in the Internet
 - Name resolution
 - Finding datalink layer addresses

Names and addresses

Names and addresses both uniquely identify a host (or an interface on the host)

%nslookup

- Default Server: euryale101.inria.fr
- Address: 138.96.80.222
- > lix.polytechnique.fr
- Name: lix.polytechnique.fr
- Address: 129.104.11.2
- *Resolution*: the process of determining an address from a name

Why do we need both?

- Names are long and human understandable
 - wastes space to carry them in packet headers
 - hard to parse
- Addresses are shorter and machine understandable
 - if fixed size, easy to carry in headers and parse
- Indirection

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- multiple names may point to same address
- can move a machine in same domain and just update the resolution table

Hierarchical naming

- Goal: give a globally unique name to each host
- Naïve approach: ask every other naming authorities before choosing a name
 - doesn't scale
 - not robust to network partitions
- Instead carve up name space (the set of all possible names) into mutually exclusive portions => hierarchy



Hierarchy

- A wonderful thing!
 - simplifies distributed naming
 - guarantees uniqueness
 - scales arbitrarily
- Example: Internet names
 - use *Domain name system (DNS)*
 - global authority (Network Solutions Inc.) assigns top level domains to naming authorities (e.g. .edu, .net, .cz etc.)
 - naming authorities further carve up their space
 - all names in the same domain share a unique *suffix*

Addressing

- Addresses need to be globally unique, so they are also hierarchical
- Another reason for hierarchy: *aggregation*
 - reduces size of routing tables
 - + impractical to have one entry per destination for the Internet
 - at the expense of longer routes



Addressing in the Internet

- Every host interface has its own IP address
- Routers have multiple interfaces, each with its own IP address
- Current version of IP is version 4, addresses are IPv4 addresses



- network number and host number
- boundary identified with a *subnet* mask
- can aggregate addresses within subnets (network number based routing)

Address classes

- First cut
 - fixed network-host partition, with 8 bits of network number
 - too few networks!
- Generalization
 - Class A addresses have 8 bits of network number
 - Class B addresses have 16 bits of network number
 - Class C addresses have 24 bits of network number
- Distinguished by leading bits of address
 - leading 0 => class A (first byte < 128)</pre>
 - Ieading 10 => class B (first byte in the range 128-191)
 - Ieading 110 => class C (first byte in the range 192-223)

Address evolution

- This scheme to allocate scarce resources was too inflexible
- Three extensions
 - subnetting
 - CIDR
 - dynamic host configuration

Subnetting

- Allows administrator to cluster IP addresses within its network
 - 256 subnet of 256 addresses (e.g. an Ethernet segment)
 - saves space and computation time in subnet routing tables
 - subnet masks are not visible outside the network



CIDR : Classless Interdomain Routing

- Scheme forced medium sized nets to choose class B addresses, which wasted space
- Address space exhaustion (2¹⁴ = 16382 class B addresses)
- Solution
 - allow ways to represent a contiguous set of class C addresses as a block, so that class C space can be used
 - use a CIDR mask
 - idea is very similar to subnet masks, except that all routers must agree to use it
 - carry a prefix indication: the number of bits of the network number part

CIDR (contd.)



Dynamic host configuration

- Allows a set of hosts to share a pool of IP addresses
- Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP)
- Newly booted computer broadcasts *discover* to subnet
- DHCP servers reply with offers of IP addresses
- Host picks one and broadcasts a request with the name of a particular server
- All other servers "withdraw" offers, and selected server sends an ack
- When done, host sends a *release*
- IP address has a lease which limits time it is valid
- Server reuses IP addresses if their lease is over (LRU is wise)
- Similar technique used in *Point-to-point* protocol (PPP)
 - to allocate addresses by ISPs to dial-up hosts

IPv6

- **32-bit address space is likely to eventually run out**
- IPv6 extends size to 128 bits (16 bytes)
- Main features
 - classless addresses (longest prefix match like CIDR)
 - multiple levels of aggregation are possible for *unicast* (IPv6 aggregatable global unicast address RFC[2374])
 - + Top level aggregation
 - + Next-level aggregation
 - + Site-level aggregation
 - several flavors of *multicast*
 - *anycast* (e.g. for partial routes), same syntax as unicast
 - interoperability with IPv4

Name resolution

- Translation done by name servers
- Application send query to a name server:
 - essentially look up a name and return an address
- Centralized design
 - consistent
 - single point of failure
 - concentrates load
- Thus compose name servers from a set of distributed agents
 - that coordinate their action

DNS (Domain Name System)

- Distributed name server
- A name server is responsible (an *authoritative server*) for a set of domains (a subtree of the name space)
- May delegate responsibility for part of a domain to a child
 - things organized so that a name is correctly translated by at least one authoritative Server
- Query is sent to the root of name space
- Parses it and passes to the responsible server



DNS

- Heavy load on root servers
 - Root servers are replicated
 - requires coordination among servers
 - name resolution query can be made to any replicated server
- Caching is also used to reduce load on root servers
- End systems cache and timed out
 - result of the query
 - address of authoritative servers for common domains
- If local server cannot answer a query, it asks root, which delegates reply

Finding datalink layer addresses

Datalink layer address: most common format is IEEE 802



 Need to know datalink layer address typically for the last hop (in broadcast LANs)



ARP

- To get datalink layer address of a machine on the local subnet
- Broadcast a query with IP dest address onto local LAN
- Host that owns that address (or proxy) replies with address
- All hosts are required to listen for ARP requests and reply
 including laser printers!
- Reply stored in an ARP cache and timed out
- In point-to-point LANs, need an ARP server
 - register translation with server
 - ask ARP server instead of broadcasting

Le routage dans l'Internet

What is it?

- Process of finding a (the best?) path from a source to every destination in the network
- Suppose you want to connect to Antarctica from your desktop
 - what route should you take?
 - does a shorter route exist?
 - what if a link along the route goes down?
- Routing deals with these types of issues

Basics

A routing protocol sets up a routing table in routers and switch controllers



ROUTING TABLE AT 1

Destination	Next hop	Destination	Next hop
1	_	7	2
2	2	8	2
3	3	9	2
4	3	10	2
5	2	11	3
6	2	12	3

A node makes a *local* choice depending on *global* topology: this is the fundamental problem

Key problem

- How to make correct local decisions?
 - each router must know *something* about global state
- Global state
 - hard to collect
 - inherently large
 - dynamic
- A routing protocol must intelligently summarize relevant information

Requirements

- Minimize routing table space
 - fast to look up
 - less to exchange (for some routing protocols)
- Minimize number and frequency of control messages
- Robustness: avoid
 - black holes
 - loops
 - oscillations
- Use optimal path ("best" may be SP, least delay, secure, balances load, lowest monetary cost)
- Trade-offs:
 - robustness vs number of control messages or routing table size
 - reduce table size for slightly "longer" path

Choices

- Centralized vs. distributed routing
 - centralized is simpler, but prone to failure and congestion
- Source-based vs. hop-by-hop (destination address based)
 - how much is in packet header?
 - Intermediate: loose source route
- Stochastic vs. deterministic
 - stochastic spreads load, avoiding oscillations, but misorders
- Single vs. multiple path
 - primary and alternative paths (compare with stochastic)
 - not on the Internet (path scarcity and routing table space)
- State-dependent or "dynamic" vs. state-independent
 - do routes depend on current network state (e.g. delay), but risk of oscillations

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- Link-state routing
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Distance vector routing

- "Internet" environment
 - links and routers unreliable
 - alternative paths scarce
 - traffic patterns can change rapidly
- Two key algorithms
 - distance vector
 - link-state
- Both algorithms assume router knows
 - address of each neighbor
 - cost of reaching each neighbor
- Both allow a router to determine global routing information by exchanging routing information

Basic idea for DV

- Node tells its neighbors its best idea of distance to every other node in the network (node identities considered known a priori)
- Node receives these *distance vectors* from its neighbors
 - DV: a list of [destination, cost]-tuples, (next hop info in table)
- Updates its notion of best path to each destination, and the next hop for this destination
- Features
 - distributed
 - adapts to traffic changes and link failures

Example



Why does it work?

- Each node knows its true cost to its neighbors
- This information is spread to its neighbors the first time it sends out its distance vector
- Each subsequent dissemination spreads the "truth" one hop
- Eventually, it is incorporated into routing table everywhere in the network
- Proof: Bellman and Ford, 1957
- Used in the Routing Information Protocol (RIP)

Problems with distance vector

Works well if nodes are always up

- problems when links go down or come up
- DV approach hides details to compute the vector

Count to infinity



Dealing with the problem

- Path vector
 - DV carries path to reach each destination
 - Trade larger rtg table & extra control overhead for robustness
- Split horizon
 - never tell neighbor cost to X if neighbor is next hop to X
 - with poisonous reverse: tell neighbor cost is infinity (faster convergence in some cases)
 - doesn't work for 3-way count to infinity (assume BA then CA go down in slide 31)
- Triggered updates
 - exchange routes on link failure, instead of on timer
 - faster count up to infinity
- More complicated
 - **SOURCE tracing** (same information as path vector with little additional space)
 - DUAL (Distributed Update ALgorithm)

Source tracing



3	5	6
Destination	Next	Last
1		_
2	2	1
3	3	1
4	2	2
5	2	4
6	2	5

DUAL (Distributed Update ALgorithm)

- Avoids loops even in presence of rapid changes
- Router keeps a pared down *topology*
 - sorted union of DVs
- Upon reception of a DV
 - Updates table only if cost decreases (no loop may occur in this case)
 - If cost increases (link's cost or link failure)
 - + check in topology table if shorter path exists
 - + if not
 - freeze routing table
 - distribute new DV to all neighbors (recursively) (*expand* until all affected routers know of change)
 - + unfreeze and inform "previous" router
 - + contract until first router knows that all affected are aware
- Used in EIGRP (Cisco)
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Link state routing

- In distance vector, router knows only *cost* to each destination
 hides information, causing problems
- In link state, router knows entire network topology, and computes shortest path by itself
 - independent computation of routes
 - Ioop free if same view of topology and same algorithm
- Key elements
 - topology dissemination
 - computing shortest routes

Topology dissemination

A router describes its neighbors with a link state packet (LSP)



- Use controlled flooding to distribute this everywhere
 - store an LSP in an *LSP database*
 - if *new*, forward to every interface other than incoming one
 - a network with E edges will copy at most 2E times

Sequence numbers

- How do we know an LSP is new?
 - Needed to purge "old" information (e.g. after a link failure)
- Use a sequence number in LSP header
- Greater sequence number is newer
- What if sequence number wraps around?
 - smaller sequence number is now newer!
 - Use a large sequence space + comparison on the circle
- But, on boot up, what should be the initial sequence number?
 - have to somehow purge old LSPs
 - two solutions
 - + aging
 - + lollipop-space sequence numbers

Aging

- Source of LSP puts timeout value in the header
- Router removes LSP when it times out
 - also floods this information to the rest of the network
- So, on booting, router just has to wait for its old LSPs to be purged
- But what age to choose?
 - if too small
 - + old LSP could be purged before new LSP fully flooded
 - + needs frequent updates
 - if too large
 - + router waits idle for a long time on rebooting

A better solution



- Need a *unique* start sequence number
- a is older than b if:
 - a < 0 and a < b</p>
 - ◆ a > 0, a < b, and b-a < N/4</p>
 - a > 0, b > 0, a > b, and a-b > N/4

More on lollipops

- Additional rule: if a router gets an older LSP, it tells the sender about the newer LSP sequence number
- So, newly booted router quickly finds out its most recent sequence number
- It jumps to one more than that
- -N/2 is a trigger to evoke a response from "community memory"

Recovering from a partition

On partition, LSP databases can get out of synch (inconsistent)



- Databases described by database descriptor records
 - descriptor is link id + version number
- Routers on each side of a newly restored link exchange database descriptors to update databases (determine missing and out-of-date LSPs)

Link or router failure

- *Link* failure easy to detect and recover from
 - Router floods this information
- How to detect *router* failure?
 - HELLO protocol
 - Neighbor floods information about router failure if no response to N HELLO packet
- HELLO packet may be corrupted (dead router considered alive!)
 - so age anyway (even with lollipop-space sequence numbers)
 - on a timeout, flood the information

Securing LSP databases

- LSP databases *must* be consistent to avoid routing loops
- Malicious agent may inject spurious LSPs
- Routers must actively protect their databases
 - checksum LSPs even when stored in the database
 - + detects corruption on *link* or *disk*
 - ack LSP exchanges
 - authenticate LSP exchanges using passwords

Computing shortest paths

- Based on Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm
 - computes SP from a "root" to every other node
- Basic idea
 - maintain a set of nodes P to whom we know shortest path
 - initialize P to root
 - consider set {every node one hop away from nodes in P} = T
 - find every way in which to reach a given node in T from root, and choose shortest one
 - then add this node to P

Example





Link state vs. distance vector

- Criteria
 - stability and loop freeness (+LS)
 - in LS routers know entire topology, but transient loops can form (during topology changes flooding)
 - + simple modification to vanilla DV algorithm can prevent loops
 - multiple routing metrics (+LS)
 - + requires all routers agree to report same metrics
 - convergence time after a change (+LS)
 - + DV with triggered updates + DUAL has also fast convergence
 - communication overhead (+DV)
 - Nodes are not required to independently compute consistent routes in DV (in LS high overhead to ensure database consistency)
 - memory overhead (+DV)
 - + Advantage lost if we use path vector
- Both are evenly matched
- Both widely used (OSPF, BGP)

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Choosing link costs

- Shortest path uses link costs
- Can use either static of dynamic costs
- In both cases: cost determine amount of traffic on the link
 - lower the cost, more the expected traffic
 - if dynamic cost depends on load, can have oscillations

Static metrics

- Simplest: set all link costs to 1 => min hop routing
 but 56K modem link is not the same as a T3!
- Enhancement: give links weight inversely proportional to capacity
- But therefore BC and CD are not used even if T3 are congested



WEIGHTS
$\begin{array}{c} T3=1\\ T1=10 \end{array}$

Dynamic metrics

- A first cut (ARPAnet original)
- Cost proportional to length of router queue
 - independent of link capacity
- Unintended consequences of complex design!
 - Many problems when network is loaded
 - queue length averaged over a too small time (10 s) : transient spikes in queue length caused major rerouting
 - cost had wide dynamic range => network completely ignored paths with high costs
 - + queue length assumed to predict future loads => opposite is true
 - no restriction on successively reported costs => large oscillations
 - all tables computed simultaneously => low cost links flooded

Modified metrics

- queue length averaged over a small time
- wide dynamic range queue
- queue length assumed to predict future loads
- no restriction on successively reported costs
- all tables computed simultaneously

- queue length averaged over a longer time
- dynamic range restricted (3:1), cost hop normalized
- cost also depends on intrinsic link capacity
 - on low load cost depends only on capacity
- restriction on successively reported costs (1/2 hop)
- attempt to stagger table computation

Routing dynamics



Are dynamic metrics used?

- Not widely used in today's Internet
- hard to control amount of routing updates a priori
 - dependent on network traffic
- Still can cause oscillations

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Hierarchical routing

- Large networks need large routing tables
 - more computation to find shortest paths
 - more bandwidth wasted on exchanging DVs and LSPs
- Solution:
 - hierarchical routing
- Key idea
 - divide network into a set of domains
 - gateways connect domains
 - computers within domain unaware of outside computers
 - gateways know only about other gateways

Example



Features

- only a few routers in each level
- not a strict hierarchy (both LA, carry packets to 6.*)
- gateways participate in multiple routing protocols
- non-aggregable routes increase core table space (21.1.2.3)

Hierarchy in the Internet

- Three-level hierarchy in addresses
 - network number
 - subnet number
 - host number
- Core advertises routes only to networks, not to subnets
 - e.g. 135.104.*, 192.20.225.*
- Even so, about 80,000 networks in core routers (1996)
- Gateways talk to backbone to find best next-hop to every other network in the Internet

External and summary records

- If a domain has multiple gateways
 - external records tell hosts in a domain which one to pick to reach a host in an external domain
 - e.g allows 6.4.0.0 to discover shortest path to 5.* is through 6.0.0.0
 - summary records tell backbone which gateway to use to reach an internal node
 - e.g. allows 5.0.0.0 to discover shortest path to 6.4.0.0 is through 6.0.0.0
- External and summary records contain distance from gateway to external or internal node

Interior and exterior protocols

- Internet has three levels of routing
 - highest is at backbone level, connecting autonomous systems (AS)
 - next level is within AS
 - Iowest is within a LAN
- Protocol between AS gateways: exterior gateway protocol
- Protocol within AS: interior gateway protocol

Exterior gateway protocol

- Between untrusted routers
 - mutually suspicious
- Must tell a *border gateway* who can be trusted and what paths are allowed (A-D-B is not!)



Transit over backdoors is a problem (A2-C1 should not be summarized)

Interior protocols

- Much easier to implement
 - free of administrative "problems" : no manual configuration
- Typically partition an AS into areas
- Exterior and summary records used between areas

Issues in interconnection EGPs and IGPs

- May use different schemes (DV vs. LS)
- Cost metrics may differ
 - 5 hops for an IGP \neq 5 hops inter-AS
- Need to:
 - convert from one scheme to another
 - use the least common denominator for costs
 - + Hop-count metric!
 - manually intervene if necessary

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Common routing protocols

Interior
 RIP
 OSPF
 Exterior
 EGP

BGP

RIP

- Distance vector
- Cost metric is hop count
- Infinity = 16
- Exchange distance vectors every 30 s
- Split horizon with poisonous reverse
- Useful for small subnets
 - easy to install

OSPF

- Link-state
- Uses areas to route packets hierarchically within AS
- Complex
 - LSP databases to be protected
- Uses designated routers to reduce number of endpoints on a broadcast LAN

EGP

- Original exterior gateway protocol
- Distance-vector
- Costs are either 128 (reachable) or 255 (unreachable)
 - only propagates reachability information
 - → backbone must be structured as a tree to ensure loop free
- Allows administrators to pick neighbors to peer with
- Allows backdoors (by setting backdoor cost < 128)</p>
 - not visible to outside systems
- No longer widely used
 - need for loop free topology

BGP

Path-vector

- distance vector annotated with entire path
- also with policy attributes (no cost information)
- guaranteed loop-free
- Can use non-tree backbone topologies
 - uses true cost (not like EGP)
- Uses TCP to communicate between routers
 - reliable
 - but subject to TCP flow control
- BGP provides the mechanisms to distribute path information
- But leaves (complex) policies to network administrator

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Routing within a broadcast LAN

- What happens at an endpoint?
- On a point-to-point link, no problem
- On a broadcast LAN
 - is packet meant for destination within the LAN?
 - if so, what is the datalink address ?
 - if not, which router on the LAN to pick?
 - what is the router's datalink address?



Internet solution

- All hosts on the LAN have the same subnet address
- So, easy to determine if destination is on the same LAN
- Local destination's datalink address determined using ARP
 - broadcast a request
 - owner of IP address replies
- To discover routers (default for non local packets)
 - routers periodically sends router advertisements
 - + with preference level and time to live (typ. 30 min)
 - pick most preferred router
 - flush when TTL expires
 - can also force routers to reply with solicitation message (after a boot)

Redirection

- How to pick the best router?
- Send message to arbitrary router
- If that router's next hop is another router on the same LAN, host gets a redirect message
- It uses this for subsequent messages