

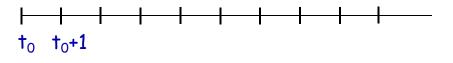




- when node has packet to send
 - transmit at full channel data rate R
 - > no a priori coordination among nodes
- two or more transmitting nodes: "collision"
- random access protocol specifies:
 - how to detect collisions
 - > how to recover from collisions (e.g., via delayed retransmissions)
- examples of random access MAC protocols:
 - > ALOHA, slotted ALOHA
 - > CSMA, CSMA/CD, CSMA/CA







assumptions:

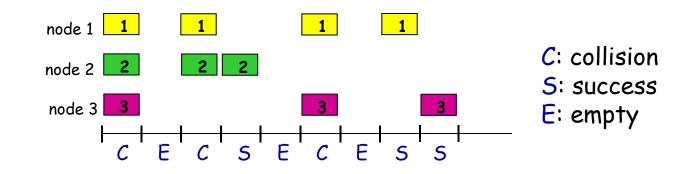
- all frames same size
- time divided into equal size slots (time to transmit 1 frame)
- nodes start to transmit only slot beginning
- nodes are synchronized
- if 2 or more nodes transmit in slot, all nodes detect collision

operation:

- when node obtains fresh frame, transmits in next slot
 - if no collision: node can send new frame in next slot
 - if collision: node retransmits frame in each subsequent slot with probability puntil success

randomization - why? ● 御 意大





Pros:

- single active node can continuously transmit at full rate of channel
- highly decentralized: only slots in nodes need to be in sync
- simple

Cons:

- collisions, wasting slots
- idle slots
- nodes may be able to detect collision in less than time to transmit packet
- clock synchronization





efficiency: long-run fraction of successful slots (many nodes, all with many frames to send)

- suppose: N nodes with many frames to send, each transmits in slot with probability p
 - prob that given node has success in a slot = $p(1-p)^{N-1}$
 - prob that any node has a success = $Np(1-p)^{N-1}$
 - max efficiency: find p^* that maximizes $Np(1-p)^{N-1}$

– for many nodes, take limit of Np*(1-p*)^{N-1} as N goes to infinity, gives: max efficiency = 1/e = .37

• at best: channel used for useful transmissions 37% of time!





access)

simple CSMA: listen before transmit:

- > if channel sensed idle: transmit entire frame
- > if channel sensed busy: defer transmission
- human analogy: <u>don't interrupt others!</u>

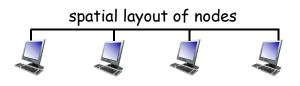
CSMA/CD: CSMA with collision detection

- collisions detected within short time
- > colliding transmissions aborted, reducing channel wastage
- > collision detection easy in wired, difficult with wireless
- human analogy: the polite conversationalist





- collisions can still occur with carrier sensing:
 - propagation delay means two nodes may not hear each other's just-started transmission
- collision: entire packet transmission time wasted
 - distance & propagation delay play role in in determining collision probability



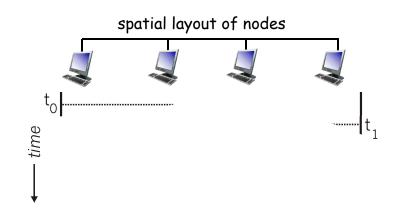
time



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- CSMA/CD reduces the amount of time wasted in collisions
 - transmission aborted on collision detection







- 1. Ethernet receives datagram from network layer, creates frame
- 2. If Ethernet senses channel:

if idle: start frame transmission.

if busy: wait until channel idle, then transmit

- 3. If entire frame transmitted without collision done!
- 4. If another transmission detected while sending: abort, send jam signal
- 5. After aborting, enter binary (exponential) backoff:
 - after m-th collision, chooses K at random from {0,1,2, ..., 2m-1}.
 Ethernet waits K[.]512 bit times, returns to Step 2
 - more collisions: longer backoff interval



- "Taking turns" MAC protocols

channel partitioning MAC protocols:

- share channel efficiently and fairly at high load
- inefficient at low load: delay in channel access, 1/N bandwidth allocated even if only 1 active node!

random access MAC protocols

- efficient at low load: single node can fully utilize channel
- high load: collision overhead

"taking turns" protocols

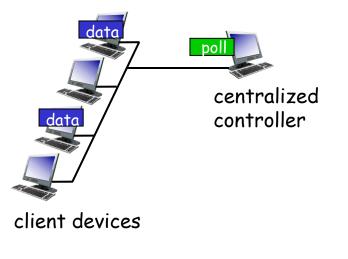
look for best of both worlds!



"Taking turns" MAC protocols

polling:

- centralized controller "invites" other nodes to transmit in turn
- typically used with "dumb" devices
- concerns:
 - polling overhead
 - > latency
 - > single point of failure (master)
- Bluetooth uses polling

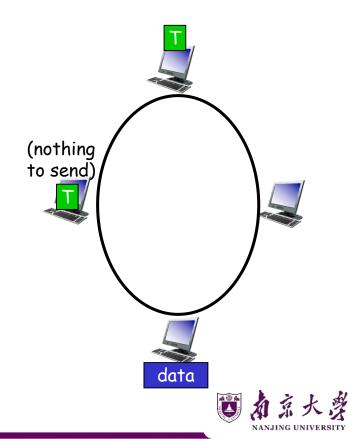


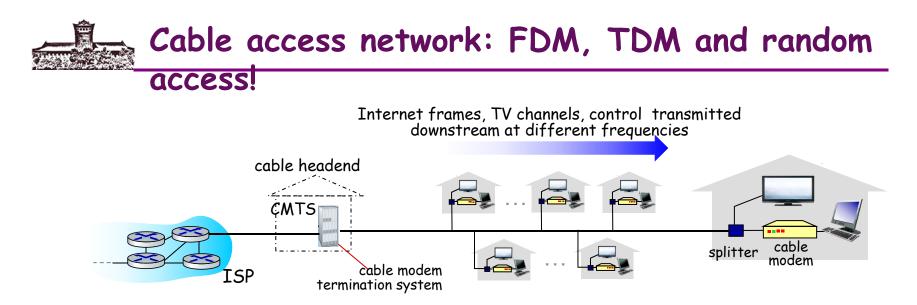


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token passing:

- control token message explicitly passed from one node to next, sequentially
 - transmit while holding token
- concerns:
 - token overhead
 - > latency
 - single point of failure (token)

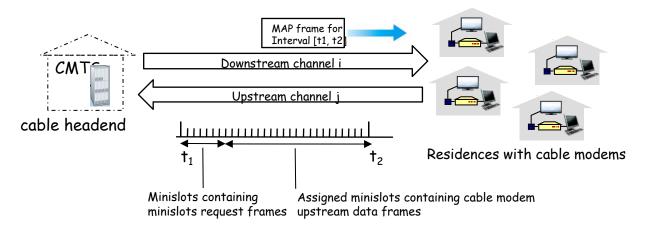




- multiple downstream (broadcast) FDM channels: up to 1.6 Gbps/channel
 > single CMTS transmits into channels
- multiple upstream channels (up to 1 Gbps/channel)
 multiple access: all users contend (random access) for certain upstream channel time slots; others assigned TDM







DOCSIS: data over cable service interface specification

- FDM over upstream, downstream frequency channels
- TDM upstream: some slots assigned, some have contention
 - downstream MAP frame: assigns upstream slots
 - request for upstream slots (and data) transmitted random access (binary backoff) in selected slots

Summary of MAC protocols

- channel partitioning, by time, frequency or code
 - > Time Division, Frequency Division
- random access (dynamic),
 - > ALOHA, S-ALOHA, CSMA, CSMA/CD
 - carrier sensing: easy in some technologies (wire), hard in others (wireless)
 - CSMA/CD used in Ethernet
 - CSMA/CA used in 802.11
- taking turns
 - > polling from central site, token passing
 - Bluetooth, FDDI, token ring





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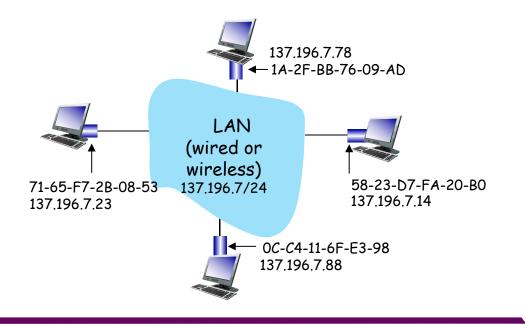
- 32-bit IP address:
 - network-layer address for interface
 - > used for layer 3 (network layer) forwarding
 - ▶ e.g.: 128.119.40.136
- MAC (or LAN or physical or Ethernet) address:
 - function: used "locally" to get frame from one interface to another physically-connected interface (same subnet, in IP-addressing sense)
 - > 48-bit MAC address (for most LANs) burned in NIC ROM, also sometimes software settable

hexadecimal (base 16) notation
(each "numeral" represents 4 bits)



each interface on LAN

- has unique 48-bit MAC address
- has a locally unique 32-bit IP address (as we've seen)





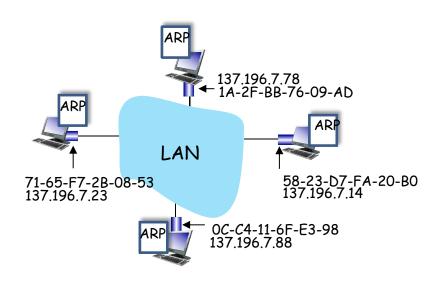


- MAC address allocation administered by IEEE
- manufacturer buys portion of MAC address space (to assure uniqueness)
- analogy:
 - > MAC address: like Social Security Number
 - > IP address: like postal address
- MAC flat address: portability
 - > can move interface from one LAN to another
 - recall IP address not portable: 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>

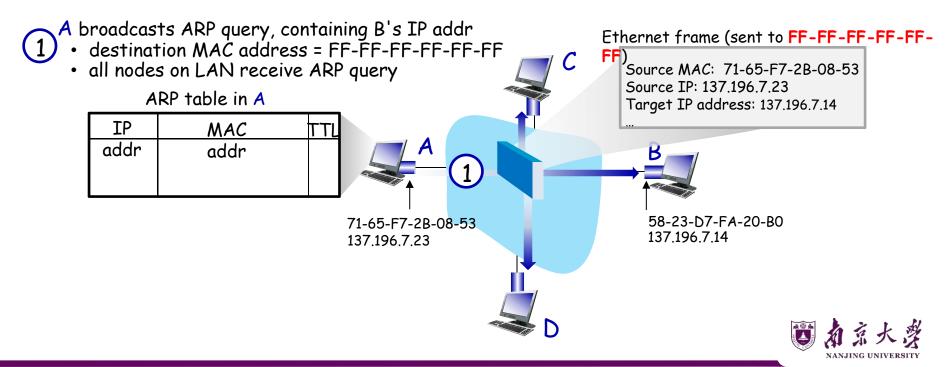
 TTL (Time To Live): time after which address mapping will be forgotten (typically 20 min)



ARP protocol in action

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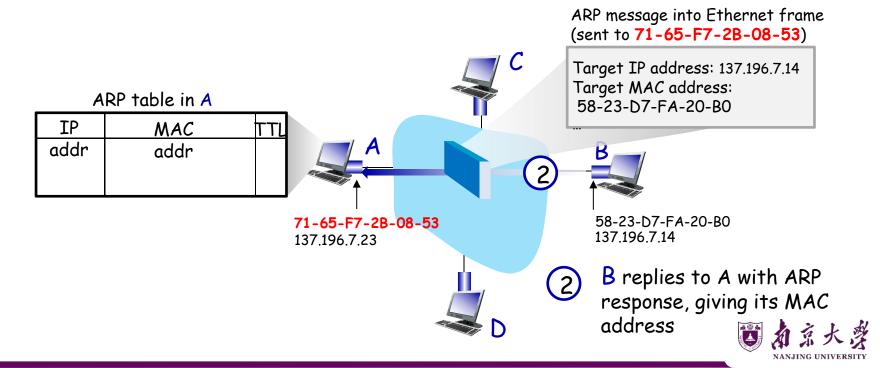
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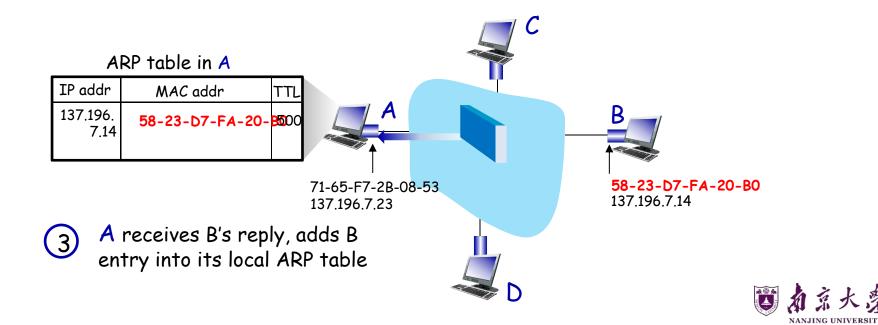
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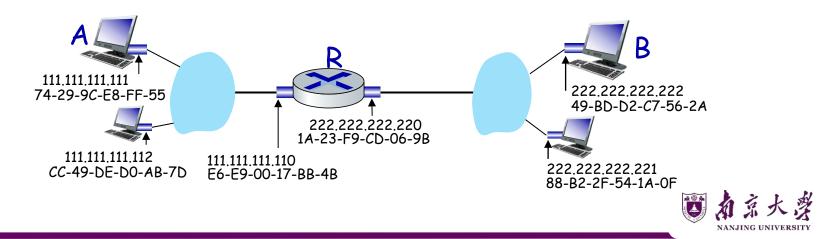
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Routing to another subnet:

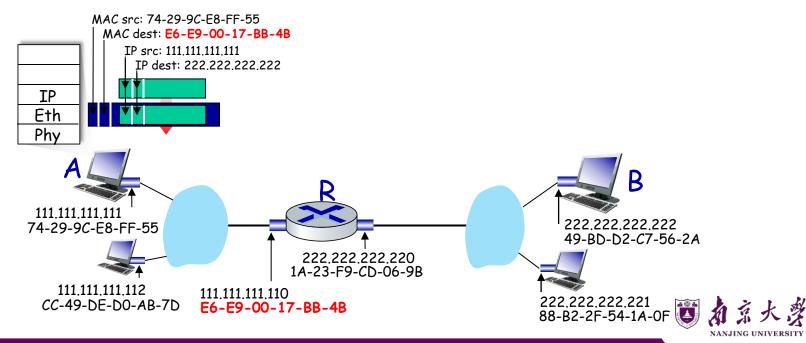
walkthrough: sending datagram from A to B via R

- focus on addressing at IP (datagram) and MAC layer (frame) levels
- assume that:
 - A knows B's IP address
 - > A knows IP address of first hop router, R (how?)
 - > A knows R's MAC address (how?)



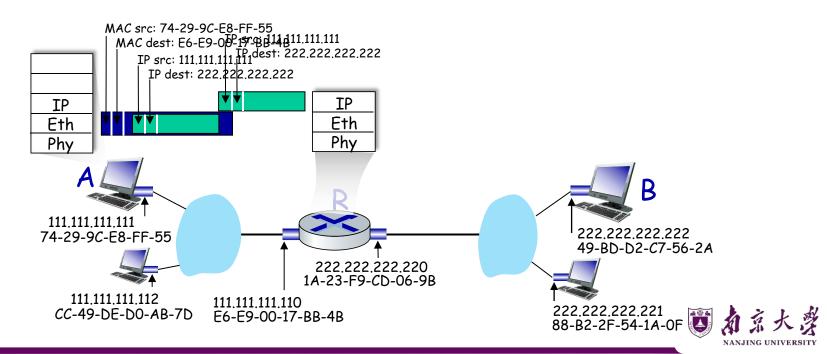


- A creates in the source A, destination B
- A creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram
 - R's MAC address is frame's destination



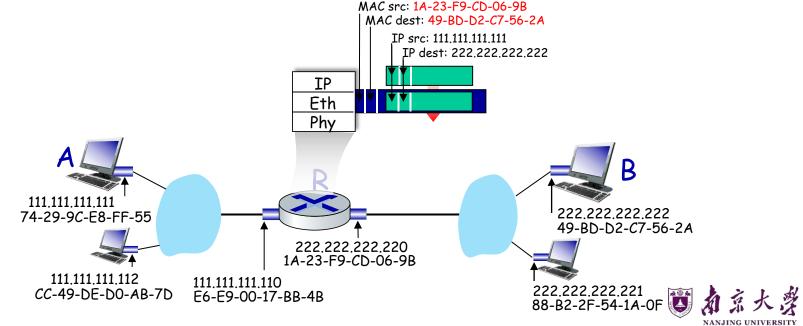


- frame sent from A to R
- frame received at R, datagram removed, passed up to IP



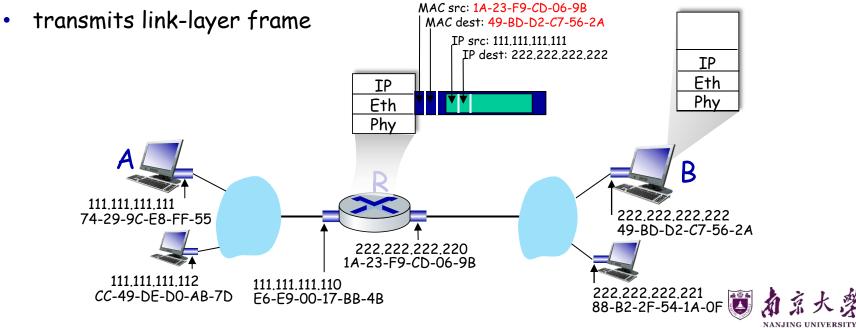


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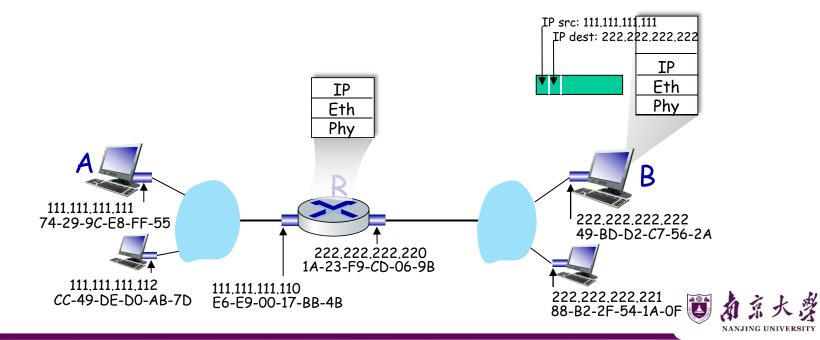
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addressing
 B receives frame, extracts IP datagram destination B

• B passes datagram up protocol stack to IP





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"dominant" wired LAN technology:

- first widely used LAN technology
- simpler, cheap
- kept up with speed race: 10 Mbps 400 Gbps
- single chip, multiple speeds (e.g., Broadcom BCM5761)

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Metcalfe's Ethernet sketch

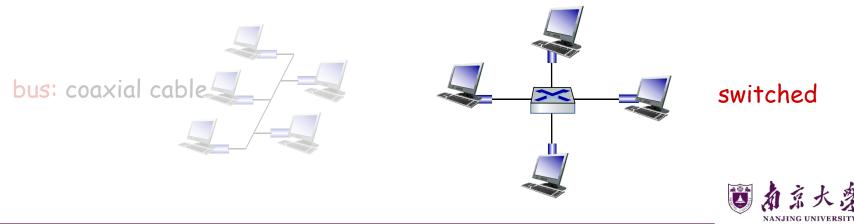
Bob Metcalfe: Ethernet co-inventor, 2022 ACM Turing Award recipient





Ethernet: physical topology

- bus: popular through mid 90s
 - > all nodes in same collision domain (can collide with each other)
- switched: prevails today
 - > active link-layer 2 switch in center
 - each "spoke" runs a (separate) Ethernet protocol (nodes do not collide with each other)





sending interface encapsulates IP datagram (or other network layer protocol packet) in Ethernet frame

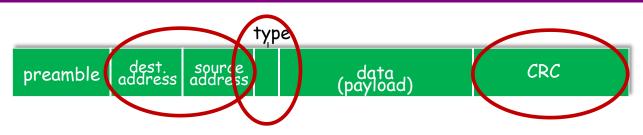


preamble:

- used to synchronize receiver, sender clock rates
- 7 bytes of 10101010 followed by one byte of 10101011



Ethernet frame structure (more)



- addresses: 6 byte source, destination MAC addresses
 - if adapter receives frame with matching destination address, or with broadcast address (e.g., ARP packet), it passes data in frame to network layer protocol
 - > otherwise, adapter discards frame
- type: indicates higher layer protocol
 - > mostly IP but others possible, e.g., Novell IPX, AppleTalk
 - > used to demultiplex up at receiver
- CRC: cyclic redundancy check at receiver
 - > error detected: frame is dropped



- connectionless: no handshaking between sending and receiving NICs
- unreliable: receiving NIC doesn't send ACKs or NAKs to sending NIC
 - data in dropped frames recovered only if initial sender uses higher layer rdt (e.g., TCP), otherwise dropped data lost
- Ethernet's MAC protocol: unslotted CSMA/CD with binary backoff

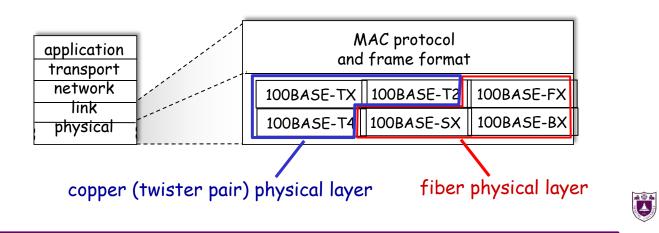




, 802.3 Ethernet standards: link & physical

layers

- many different Ethernet standards
 - common MAC protocol and frame format
 - different speeds: 2 Mbps, ... 100 Mbps, 1Gbps, 10 Gbps, 40 Gbps, 80 Gbps
 - ✓ different physical layer media: fiber, cable



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- Switch is a link-layer device: takes an active role
 - store, forward Ethernet (or other type of) frames
 - examine incoming frame's MAC address, selectively forward frame to one-or-more outgoing links when frame is to be forwarded on segment, uses CSMA/CD to access segment
- transparent: hosts unaware of presence of switches
- plug-and-play, self-learning
 - switches do not need to be configured

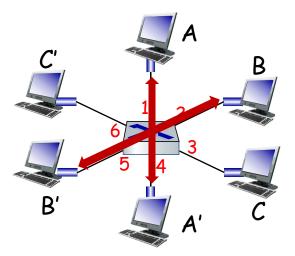




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transmissions

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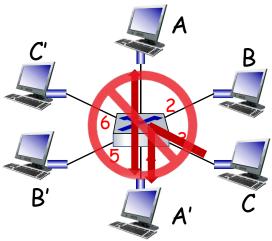


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 - but A-to-A' and C to A' can not happen simultaneously

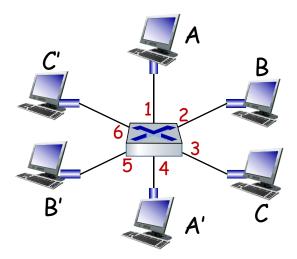


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Switch forwarding table

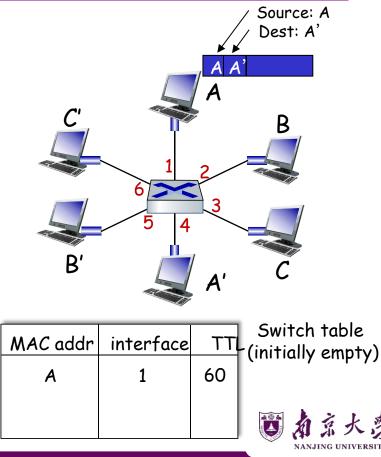
- Q: how does switch know A' reachable via interface 4, B' reachable via interface 5?
 - <u>A:</u> each switch has a switch table, each entry:
 - (MAC address of host, interface to reach host, time stamp)
 - looks like a routing table!
- Q: how are entries created, maintained in switch table?
 - something like a routing protocol?







- switch learns which hosts can be reached through which interfaces
 - when frame received, switch "learns" location of sender: incoming LAN segment
 - records sender/location pair in switch table





when frame received at switch:

- 1. record incoming link, MAC address of sending host
- 2. index switch table using MAC destination address
- 3. if entry found for destination then {

if destination on segment from which frame arrived then drop frame

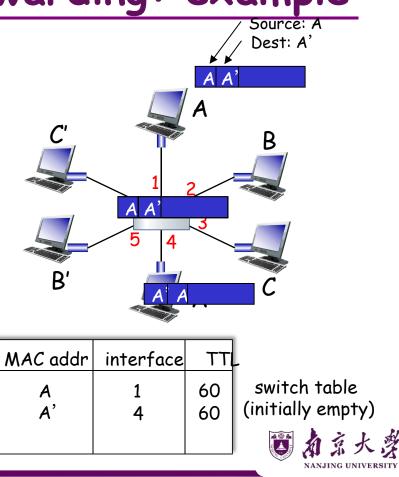
else forward frame on interface indicated by entry

else flood /* forward on all interfaces except arriving interface */



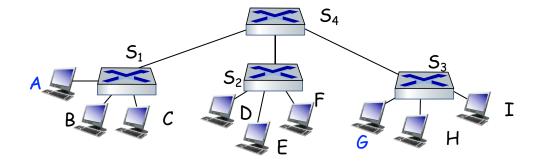
Self-learning, forwarding: example

- frame destination, A', location unknown: flood
- destination A location known: selectively send on just one link





self-learning switches can be connected together:



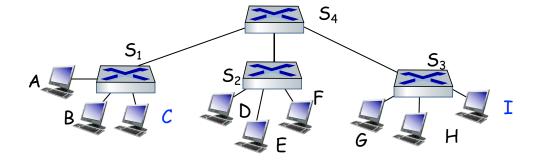
Q: sending from A to G - how does S_1 know to forward frame destined to G via S_4 and S_3 ?

> <u>A:</u> self learning! (works exactly the same as in single-switch case!)





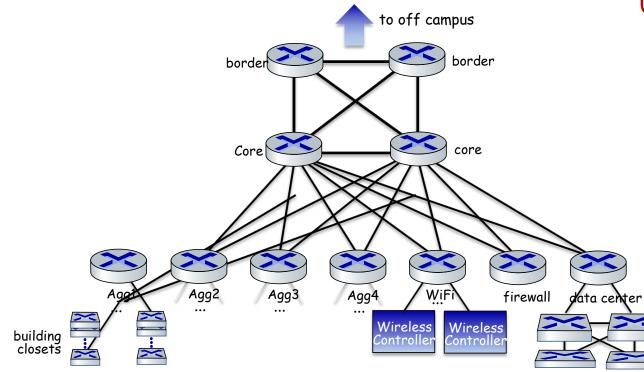
Suppose C sends frame to I, I responds to C



Q: show switch tables and packet forwarding in S_1 , S_2 , S_3 , S_4



UMass Campus Network - Detail



UMass network:

- 4 firewalls
- 10 routers
- 2000+ network switches
- 6000 wireless access points
- 30000 active wired network jacks
- 55000 active end-user wireless devices

... all built,

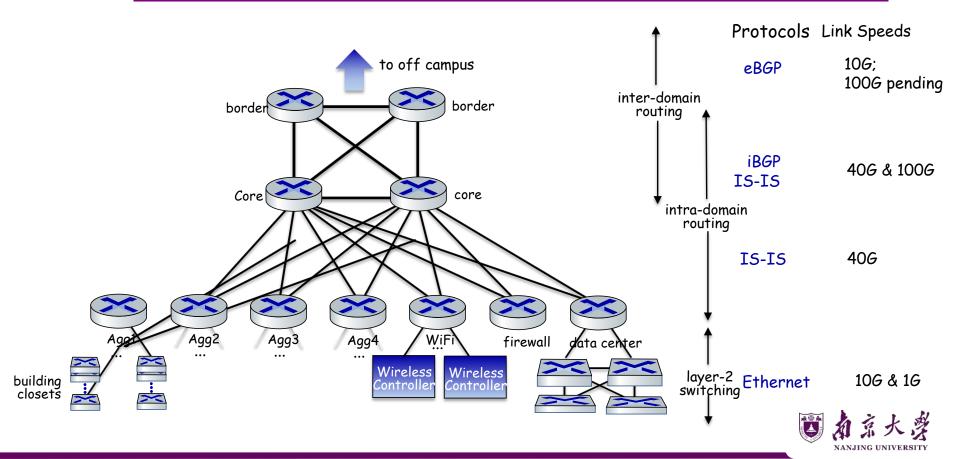
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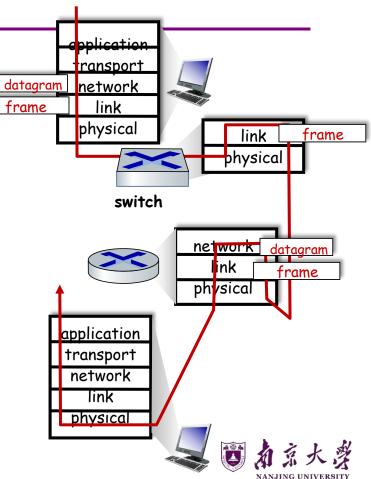


both are store-and-forward:

- routers: network-layer devices (examine network-layer headers)
- switches: link-layer devices (examine link-layer headers)

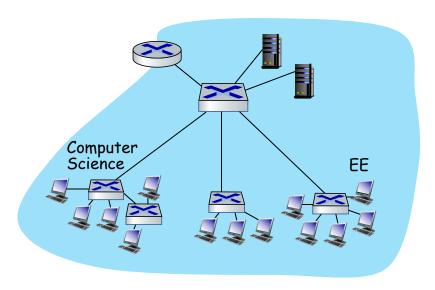
both have forwarding tables:

- routers: compute tables using routing algorithms, IP addresses
- switches: learn forwarding table using flooding, learning, MAC addresses



Virtual LANs (VLANs): motivation

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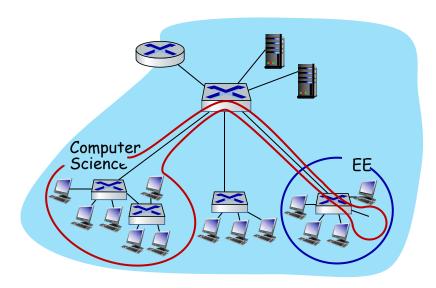
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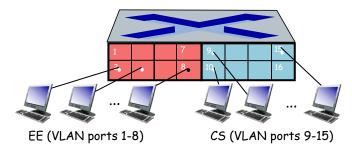
 CS user moves office to EE physically attached to EE switch, but wants to remain logically attached to CS switch



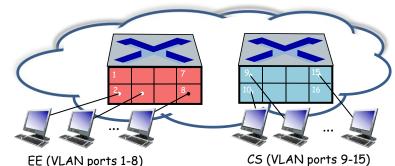


— Virtual Local Area Network (VLAN)

switch(es) supporting VLAN capabilities can be configured to define multiple virtual LANS over single physical LAN infrastructure. port-based VLAN: switch ports grouped (by switch management software) so that single physical switch

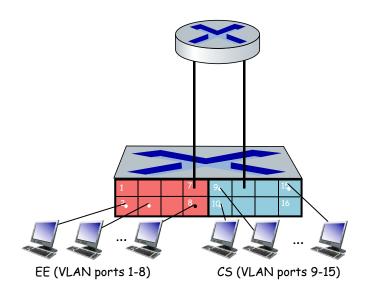


... operates as multiple virtual switches



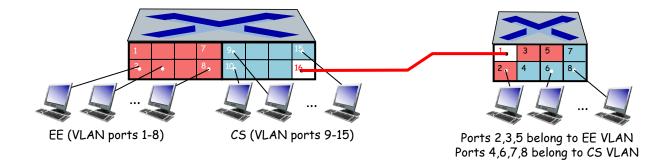


- traffic isolation: frames to/from ports 1-8 can only reach ports 1-8
 - can also define VLAN based on MAC addresses of endpoints, rather than switch port
- dynamic membership: ports can be dynamically assigned among VLANs
- forwarding between VLANS: done via routing (just as with separate switches)
 - in practice vendors sell combined switches plus routers





VLANS spanning multiple switches

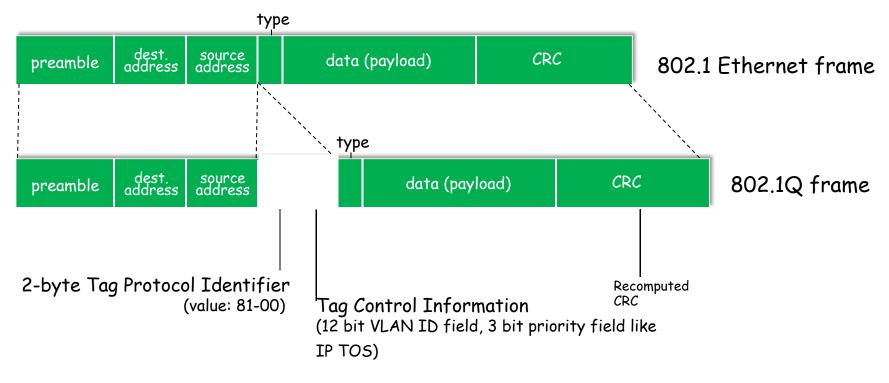


trunk port: carries frames between VLANS defined over multiple physical switches

- frames forwarded within VLAN between switches can't be vanilla 802.1 frames (must carry VLAN ID info)
- 802.1q protocol adds/removed additional header fields for frames forwarded between trunk ports

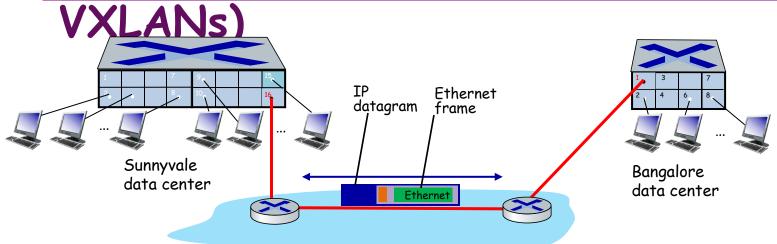
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Layer-2 Ethernet switches logically connected to each other (e.g., using IP as an underlay)

- Ethernet frames carried within IP datagrams between sites
- "tunneling scheme to overlay Layer 2 networks on top of Layer 3 networks ... runs over the existing networking infrastructure and provides a means to "stretch" a Layer 2 network." [RFC 7348]

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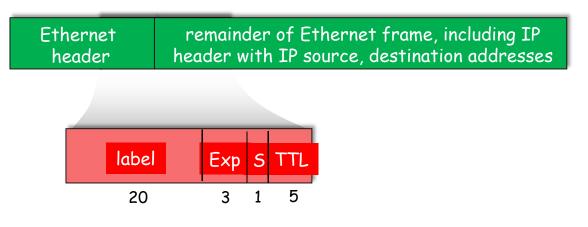


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Multiprotocol label switching

- goal: high-speed IP forwarding among network of MPLScapable routers, using fixed length label (instead of shortest prefix matching)
 - > faster lookup using fixed length identifier
 - borrowing ideas from Virtual Circuit (VC) approach
 - but IP datagram still keeps IP address!



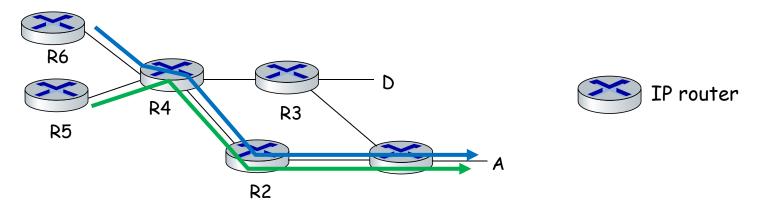




- a.k.a. label-switched router
- forward packets to outgoing interface based only on label value (don't inspect IP address)
 MPLS forwarding table distinct from IP forwarding tables
- flexibility: MPLS forwarding decisions can differ from those of IP
 - use destination and source addresses to route flows to same destination differently (traffic engineering)
 - > re-route flows quickly if link fails: pre-computed backup paths



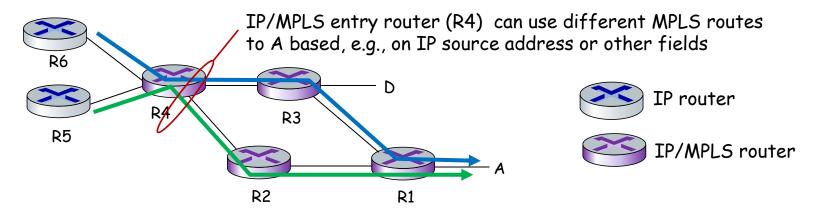




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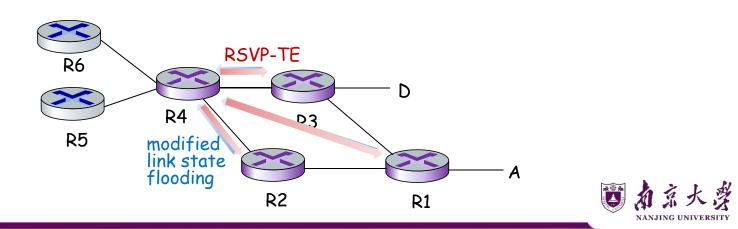


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- MPLS routing: path to destination can be based on source and destination address
 - flavor of generalized forwarding (MPLS 10 years earlier)
 - > fast reroute: precompute backup routes in case of link failure

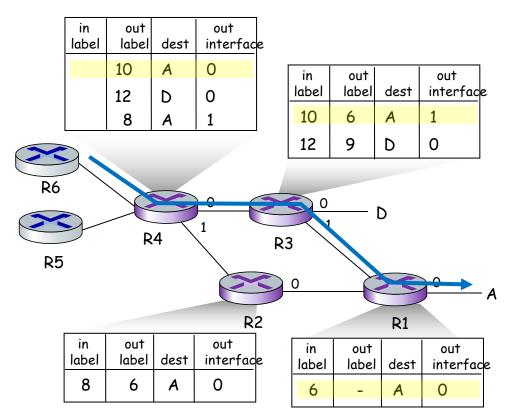




- modify OSPF, IS-IS link-state flooding protocols to carry info used by MPLS routing:
 - > e.g., link bandwidth, amount of "reserved" link bandwidth
- entry MPLS router uses RSVP-TE signaling protocol to set up MPLS forwarding at downstream routers











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10's to 100's of thousands of hosts, often closely coupled, in close proximity:

- e-business (e.g. Amazon)
- content-servers (e.g., YouTube, Akamai, Apple, Microsoft)
- search engines, data mining (e.g., Google)

challenges:

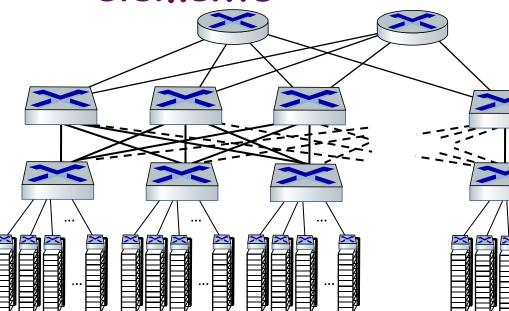
- multiple applications, each serving massive numbers of clients
- reliability
- managing/balancing load, avoiding processing, networking, data bottlenecks



Inside a 40-ft Microsoft container, Chicago data center

Datacenter networks: network

elements



Border routers

connections outside datacenter

Tier-1 switches

connecting to ~16 T-2s below

Tier-2 switches

connecting to ~16 TORs below

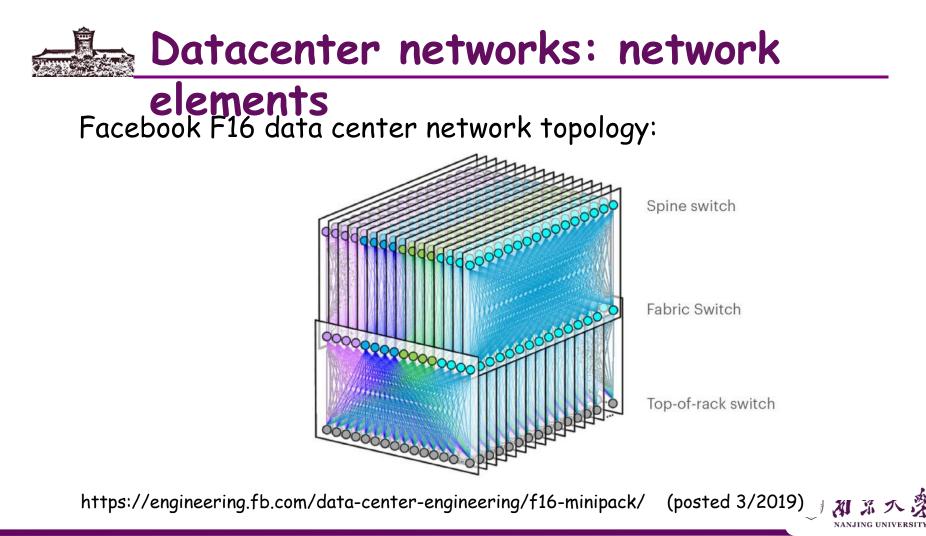
Top of Rack (TOR) switch

- one per rack
- 100G-400G Ethernet to blades

Server racks

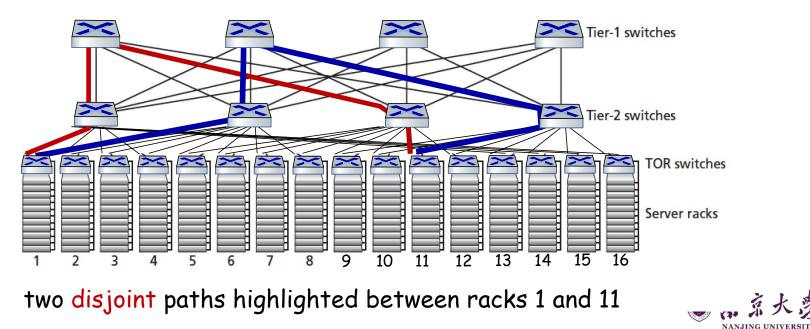
20- 40 server blades: hosts

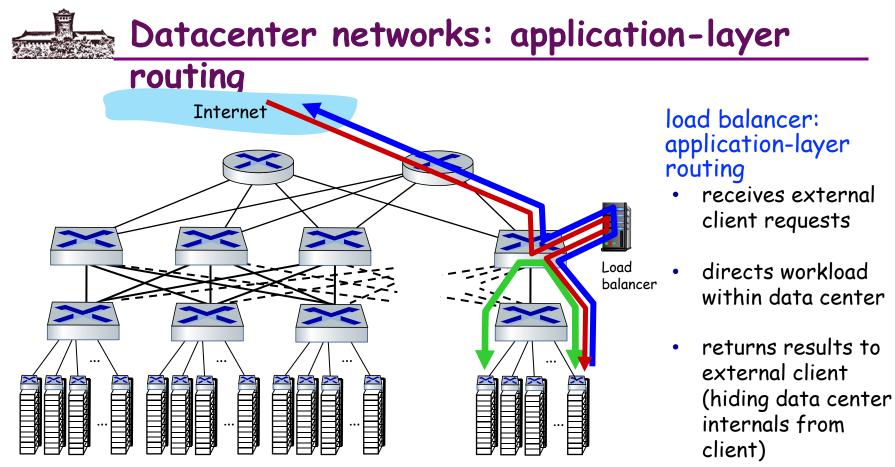




Datacenter networks: multipath

- rich interconnection among switches, racks:
 - > increased throughput between racks (multiple routing paths possible)
 - > increased reliability via redundancy







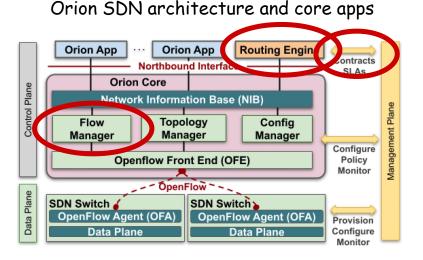
- link layer:
 - RoCE: remote DMA (RDMA) over Converged Ethernet
- transport layer:
 - –ECN (explicit congestion notification) used in transport-layer congestion control (DCTCP, DCQCN)
 - -experimentation with hop-by-hop (backpressure) congestion control
- routing, management:
 - SDN widely used within/among organizations' datacenters
 - place related services, data as close as possible (e.g., in same rack or nearby rack) to minimize tier-2, tier-1 communication

Google Networking: Infrastructure and Selected Challenges (Slides: https://networkingchannel.eu/google-networking-infrastructure-and-selected-challenges/



ORION: Google's new SDN control plane for internal datacenter (Jupiter) + wide area (B4) network

- routing (intradomain, iBGP), traffic engineering: implemented in applications on top of ORION core
- edge-edge flow-based controls (e.g., CoFlow scheduling) to meet contract SLAs
- management: pub-sub distributed microservices in Orion core, OpenFlow for switch signaling/monitoring



Note:

- no routing protocols, congestion control (partially) also managed by SDN rather than by protocol
- are protocols dying?





- Introduction
- Error detection, correction
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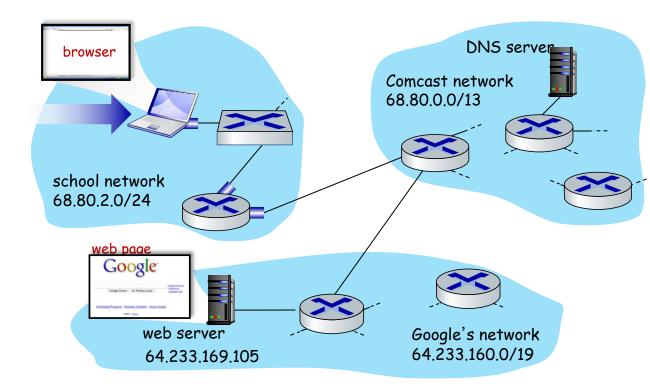




- our journey down the protocol stack is now complete!
 > application, transport, network, link
- putting-it-all-together: synthesis!
 - goal: identify, review, understand protocols (at all layers) involved in seemingly simple scenario: requesting www page
 - Scenario: student attaches laptop to campus network, requests/receives www.google.com



A day in the life: scenario



scenario:

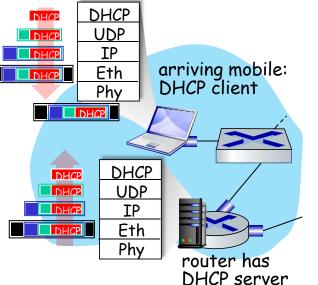
- arriving mobile client attaches to network ...
- requests web page: www.google.com

Sounds simple!



A day in the life: connecting to the

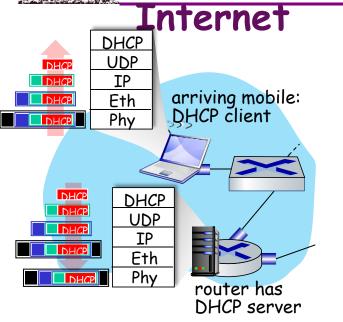
<u>Internet</u>



- connecting laptop needs to get its own IP address, addr of first-hop router, addr of DNS server: use DHCP
- DHCP request encapsulated in UDP, encapsulated in IP, encapsulated in 802.3 Ethernet
- Ethernet frame broadcast (dest: FFFFFFFFFFF) on LAN, received at router running DHCP server
- Ethernet de-muxed to IP de-muxed, UDP de-muxed to DHCP

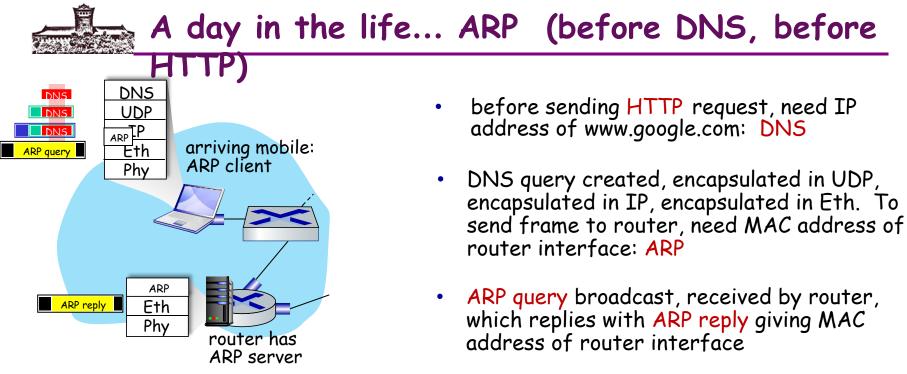


A day in the life: connecting to the



- DHCP server formulates DHCP ACK containing client's IP address, IP address of first-hop router for client, name & IP address of DNS server
- encapsulation at DHCP server, frame forwarded (switch learning) through LAN, demultiplexing at client
- DHCP client receives DHCP ACK reply

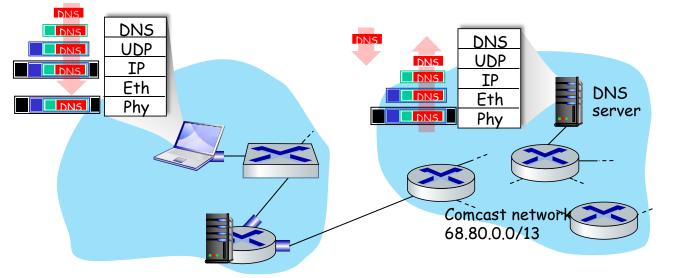
Client now has IP address, knows name & addr of DNS server, IP address of its first-hop router



 client now knows MAC address of first hop router, so can now send frame containing DNS query



A day in the life... using DNS

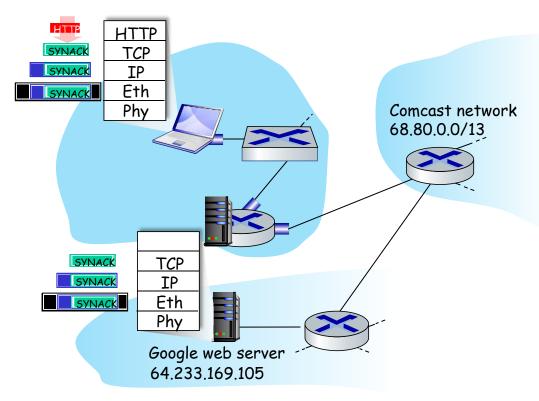


- de-muxed to DNS
- DNS replies to client with IP address of www.google.com

- IP datagram containing DNS query forwarded via LAN switch from client to 1st hop router
- IP datagram forwarded from campus network into Comcast network, routed (tables created by RIP, OSPF, IS-IS and/or BGP routing protocols) to DNS server



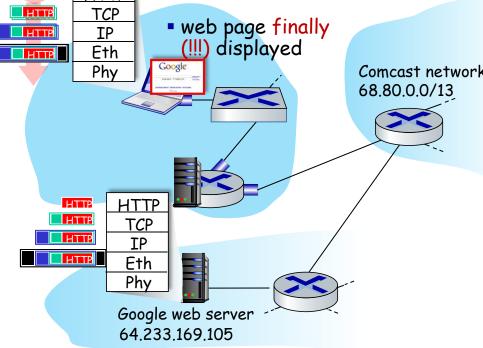
A day in the life...TCP connection carrying HTTP



- to send HTTP request, client first opens TCP socket to web server
- TCP SYN segment (step 1 in TCP 3-way handshake) interdomain routed to web server
- web server responds with TCP SYNACK (step 2 in TCP 3-way handshake)
- TCP connection established!



A day in the life... HTTP request/reply HTTP TCP IP Eth Phy Meb page finally Comcast network Methods Comcast network Methods M



- HTTP request sent into TCP socket
- IP datagram containing HTTP request routed to www.google.com
 - web server responds with HTTP reply (containing web page)
- IP datagram containing HTTP reply routed back to client





- principles behind data link layer services:
 - > error detection, correction
 - > sharing a broadcast channel: multiple access
 - link layer addressing
- instantiation, implementation of various link layer technologies
 - Ethernet
 - switched LANS, VLANs
 - > virtualized networks as a link layer: MPLS
- synthesis: a day in the life of a web request





Q & A

