15-441 Computer Networking

Lecture 9 – IP Addressing & Packets

Outline

- Review – ARP and switches puzzle
- CIDR IP addressing
- Forwarding examples
- IP Packet Format

Aside: Interaction with Link Layer

- How does one find the Ethernet address of a IP host?
- ARP
  - Broadcast search for IP address
    - E.g., "who-has 128.2.184.45 tell 128.2.206.138" sent to Ethernet broadcast (all FF address)
  - Destination responds (only to requester using unicast) with appropriate 48-bit Ethernet address
    - E.g, "reply 128.2.184.45 is-at 0:d0:bc:f2:18:58" sent to 0:c0:4f:d:ed:c6

Caching ARP Entries

- Efficiency Concern
  - Would be very inefficient to use ARP request/ reply every time need to send IP message to machine
- Each Host Maintains Cache of ARP Entries
  - Add entry to cache whenever get ARP response
  - Set timeout of ~20 minutes

ARP Cache Example

- Show using command “arp -a”

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  128.2.20.218          00-b0-8e-83-df-50     dynamic
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  128.2.194.66          00-02-b3-8a-35-bf     dynamic
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  128.2.254.36          00-b0-8e-83-df-50     dynamic
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Monitoring Packet Traffic

- Experiment
  - Ran TCPDUMP for 15 minutes connected to CMU network
  - No applications running
    - But many background processes use network
  - Lots of ARP traffic (71% of total)
    - Average 37 ARP requests / second (why all from CS hosts?)
    - Only see responses from own machine (why?)

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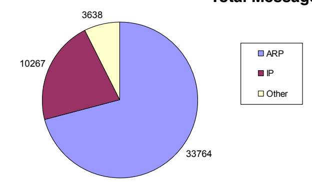

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Monitoring Packet Traffic

- Other Traffic
  - Mostly UDP
    - Encode low-level protocols such as bootp
  - Nothing very exciting (why?)
- Answers for UDP and ARP
  - On a switched network you only see broadcast traffic or traffic sent to/from you
  - TCP is never sent broadcast

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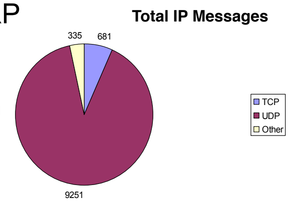

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ARP Cache Surprise

- How come 3 machines have the same MAC address?

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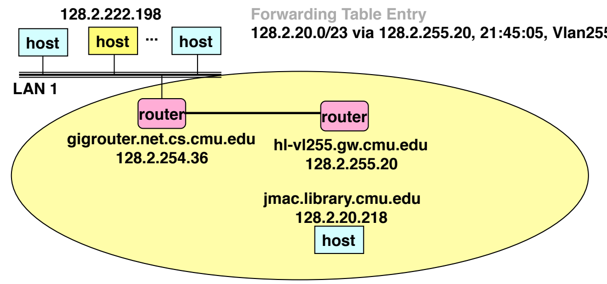
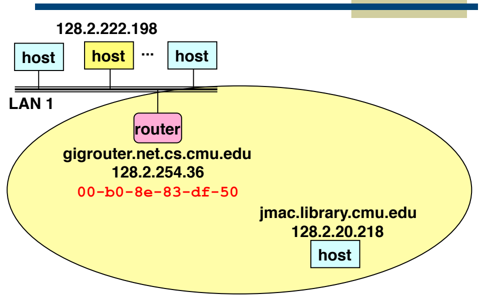
CMU's Internal Network Structure



- CMU routers kept reasonable tables

Proxy ARP



- Provides Link-Layer Connectivity Using IP Routing
  - Local router (gigrouter) sees ARP request
  - Uses IP addressing to locate host
  - Becomes "Proxy" for remote host
    - Using own MAC address
  - Requestor thinks that it is communicating directly with remote host

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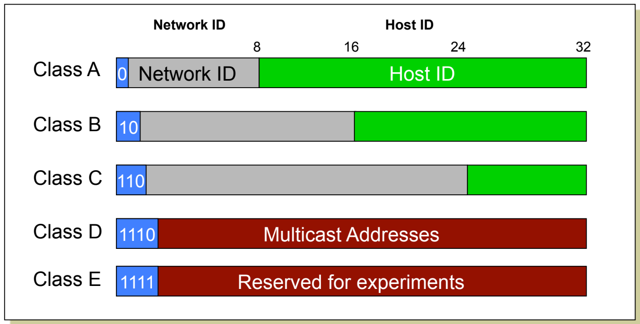
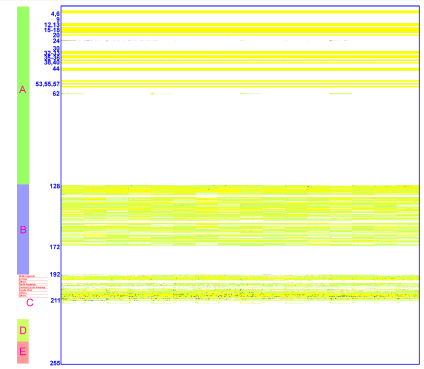
IP Address Classes
(Some are Obsolete)



IP Address Utilization ('97)



http://www.caida.org/outreach/resources/learn/ipv4space/ -- broken

IP Address Problem (1991)

- Address space depletion
  - In danger of running out of classes A and B
  - Why?
    - Class C too small for most domains
    - Very few class A – very careful about giving them out
    - Class B – greatest problem
- Class B sparsely populated
  - But people refuse to give it back
- Large forwarding tables
  - 2 Million possible class C groups

Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) – RFC1338

- Allows arbitrary split between network & host part of address
  - Do not use classes to determine network ID
  - Use common part of address as network number
  - E.g., addresses 192.4.16 - 192.4.31 have the first 20 bits in common. Thus, we use these 20 bits as the network number → 192.4.16/20
- Enables more efficient usage of address space (and router tables) → How?
  - Use single entry for range in forwarding tables
  - Combined forwarding entries when possible

Aggregation with CIDR

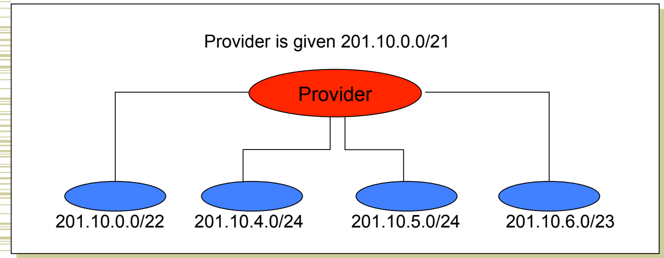
- Original Use: Aggregate Class C Addresses
- One organization assigned contiguous range of class C’s
  - e.g., Microsoft given all addresses 207.46.192.X -- 207.46.255.X
  - Specify as CIDR address 207.46.192.0/18

0	8	16	24 31	
207	46	192	0	**Decimal**
cf	2e	c0	00	**Hexadecimal**
1100 1111	0010 1110	11xx xxxx	xxxx xxxx	**Binary**

Upper 18 bits frozen **Lower 14 bits arbitrary**

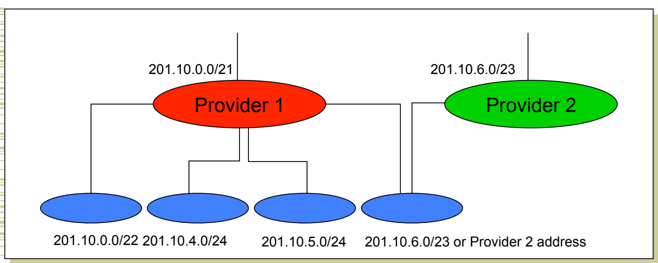
  - Represents 2^6 = 64 class C networks
- Use single entry in routing table
  - Just as if were single network address

CIDR Illustration



CIDR Implications

- Longest prefix match!!



IP Addresses: How to Get One?

Network (network portion):

- Get allocated portion of ISP’s address space:

ISP's block	<u>11001000 00010111 0001</u>0000	00000000	200.23.16.0/20
Organization 0	<u>11001000 00010111 0001000</u>0	00000000	200.23.16.0/23
Organization 1	<u>11001000 00010111 0001001</u>0	00000000	200.23.18.0/23
Organization 2	<u>11001000 00010111 0001010</u>0	00000000	200.23.20.0/23
...	…..	….	….
Organization 7	<u>11001000 00010111 0001111</u>0	00000000	200.23.30.0/23

IP Addresses: How to Get One?

- How does an ISP get block of addresses?
  - From **Regional Internet Registries** (RIRs)
    - ARIN (North America, Southern Africa), APNIC (Asia-Pacific), RIPE (Europe, Northern Africa), LACNIC (South America)
- How about a single host?
  - Hard-coded by system admin in a file
  - DHCP: Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol: dynamically get address: "plug-and-play"
    - Host broadcasts "DHCP discover" msg
    - DHCP server responds with "DHCP offer" msg
    - Host requests IP address: "DHCP request" msg
    - DHCP server sends address: "DHCP ack" msg

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http://xkcd.com/195/

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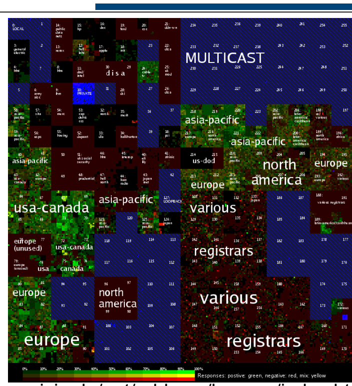

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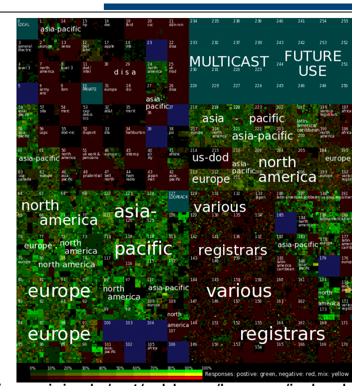

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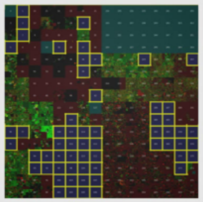
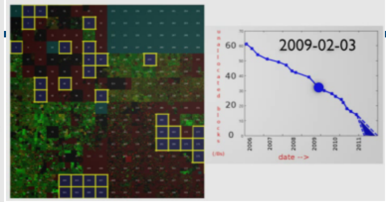
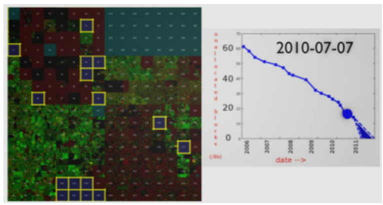
IPv4 address map on 2006-06-16



Blue blocks are unallocated.

The graph shows unallocated address blocks over time





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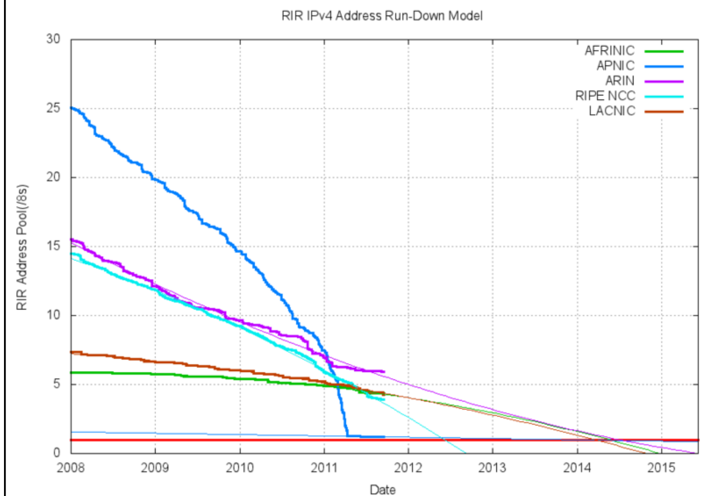

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What Now?

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- Last /8 given to RIR in 1/2011
- Mitigation
  - Reclaim addresses (e.g. Stanford gave back class A in 2000)
  - More NAT?
  - Resale markets
  - Slow down allocation from RIRs to LIRs (i.e. ISPs)
- IPv6?

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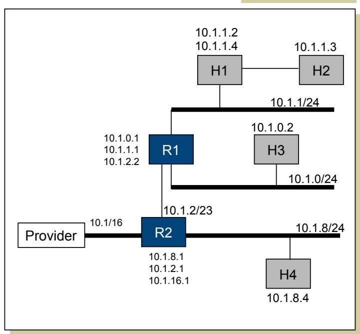
Host Routing Table Example

```
Destination    Gateway        Genmask         Iface
128.2.209.100  0.0.0.0        255.255.255.255 eth0
128.2.0.0      0.0.0.0        255.255.0.0     eth0
127.0.0.0      0.0.0.0        255.0.0.0       lo
0.0.0.0        128.2.254.36   0.0.0.0         eth0
```

- From "netstat –rn"
- Host 128.2.209.100 when plugged into CS ethernet
- Dest 128.2.209.100 → routing to same machine
- Dest 128.2.0.0 → other hosts on same ethernet
- Dest 127.0.0.0 → special loopback address
- Dest 0.0.0.0 → default route to rest of Internet
  - Main CS router: gigrouter.net.cs.cmu.edu (128.2.254.36)

Routing to the Network

- Packet to 10.1.1.3 arrives
- Path is R2 – R1 – H1 – H2

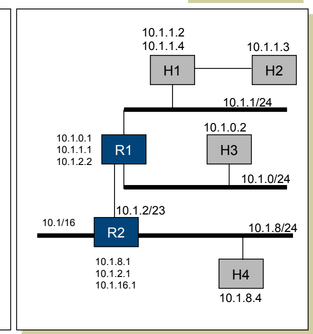


Routing Within the Subnet

- Packet to 10.1.1.3
- Matches 10.1.0.0/23

Routing table at R2

Destination	Next Hop	Interface
127.0.0.1	127.0.0.1	lo0
Default or 0/0	provider	10.1.16.1
10.1.8.0/24	10.1.8.1	10.1.8.1
10.1.2.0/23	10.1.2.1	10.1.2.1
10.1.0.0/23	10.1.2.2	10.1.2.1

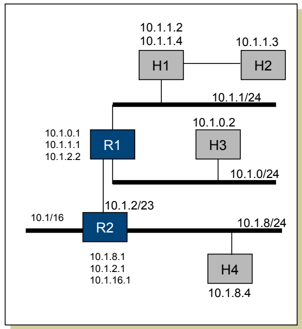


Routing Within the Subnet

- Packet to 10.1.1.3
- Matches 10.1.1.1/31
  - Longest prefix match

Routing table at R1

Destination	Next Hop	Interface
127.0.0.1	127.0.0.1	lo0
Default or 0/0	10.1.2.1	10.1.2.2
10.1.0.0/24	10.1.0.1	10.1.0.1
10.1.1.0/24	10.1.1.1	10.1.1.1
10.1.2.0/23	10.1.2.2	10.1.2.2
10.1.1.2/31	10.1.1.2	10.1.1.1



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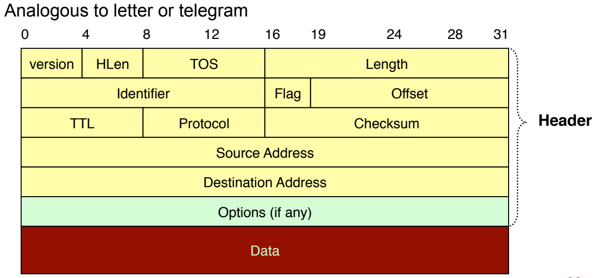
IP Service Model

- Low-level communication model provided by Internet
- Datagram
  - Each packet self-contained
    - All information needed to get to destination
    - No advance setup or connection maintenance
  - Analogous to letter or telegram

IPv4 Packet Format



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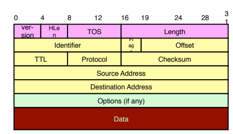
IPv4 Header Fields



- Version: IP Version
  - 4 for IPv4
- HLen: Header Length
  - 32-bit words (typically 5)
- TOS: Type of Service
  - Priority information
- Length: Packet Length
  - Bytes (including header)
- Header format can change with versions
  - First byte identifies version
- Length field limits packets to 65,535 bytes
  - In practice, break into much smaller packets for network performance considerations

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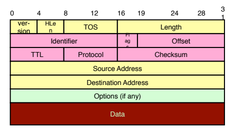
IPv4 Header Fields

- Identifier, flags, fragment offset → used primarily for fragmentation
- Time to live
  - Must be decremented at each router
  - Packets with TTL=0 are thrown away
  - Ensure packets exit the network
- Protocol
  - Demultiplexing to higher layer protocols
  - TCP = 6, ICMP = 1, UDP = 17…
- Header checksum
  - Ensures some degree of header integrity
  - Relatively weak – 16 bit
- Options
  - E.g. Source routing, record route, etc.
  - Performance issues
    - Poorly supported



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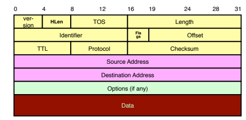


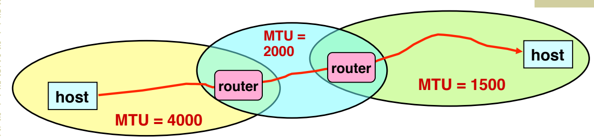
- Source Address
  - 32-bit IP address of sender
- Destination Address
  - 32-bit IP address of destination

- Like the addresses on an envelope
- Globally unique identification of sender & receiver

IP Delivery Model

- *Best effort service*
  - Network will do its best to get packet to destination
- Does NOT guarantee:
  - Any maximum latency or even ultimate success
  - Sender will be informed if packet doesn't make it
  - Packets will arrive in same order sent
  - Just one copy of packet will arrive
- Implications
  - Scales very well
  - Higher level protocols must make up for shortcomings
    - Reliably delivering ordered sequence of bytes → TCP
  - Some services not feasible
    - Latency or bandwidth guarantees

IP Fragmentation



- Every network has own Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU)
  - Largest IP datagram it can carry within its own packet frame
    - E.g., Ethernet is 1500 bytes
  - Don't know MTUs of all intermediate networks in advance
- IP Solution
  - When hit network with small MTU, fragment packets

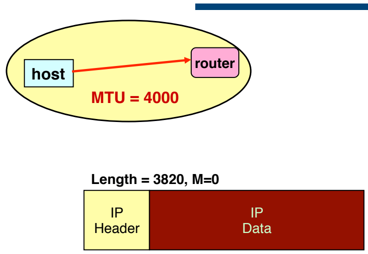
Reassembly

- Where to do reassembly?
  - End nodes or at routers?
- End nodes
  - Avoids unnecessary work where large packets are fragmented multiple times
  - If any fragment missing, delete entire packet
- Dangerous to do at intermediate nodes
  - How much buffer space required at routers?
  - What if routes in network change?
    - Multiple paths through network
    - All fragments only required to go through destination

Fragmentation Related Fields

- Length
  - Length of IP fragment
- Identification
  - To match up with other fragments
- Flags
  - Don't fragment flag
  - More fragments flag
- Fragment offset
  - Where this fragment lies in entire IP datagram
  - Measured in 8 octet units (13 bit field)

IP Fragmentation Example #1



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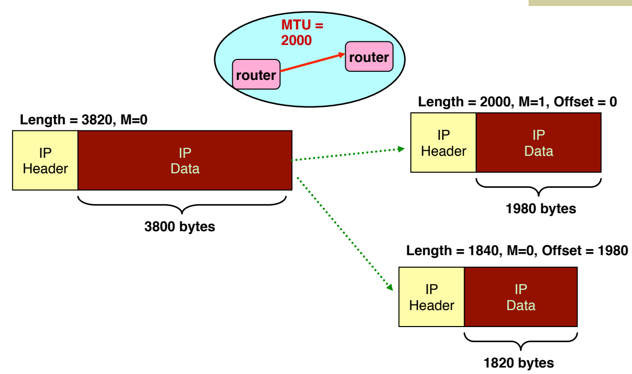

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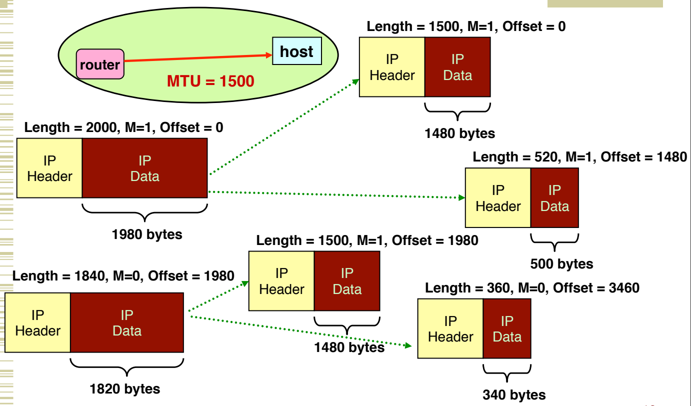

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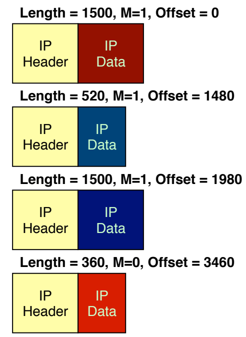
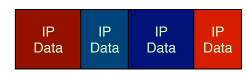
IP Reassembly



- Fragments might arrive out-of-order
  - Don't know how much memory required until receive final fragment
- Some fragments may be duplicated
  - Keep only one copy
- Some fragments may never arrive
  - After a while, give up entire process



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Fragmentation and Reassembly Concepts

- Demonstrates many Internet concepts
- Decentralized
  - Every network can choose MTU
- Connectionless
  - Each (fragment of) packet contains full routing information
  - Fragments can proceed independently and along different routes
- Best effort
  - Fail by dropping packet
  - Destination can give up on reassembly
  - No need to signal sender that failure occurred
- Complex endpoints and simple routers
  - Reassembly at endpoints

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Fragmentation is Harmful

- Uses resources poorly
  - Forwarding costs per packet
  - Best if we can send large chunks of data
  - Worst case: packet just bigger than MTU
- Poor end-to-end performance
  - Loss of a fragment
- Path MTU discovery protocol → determines minimum MTU along route
  - Uses ICMP error messages
- Common theme in system design
  - Assure correctness by implementing complete protocol
  - Optimize common cases to avoid full complexity

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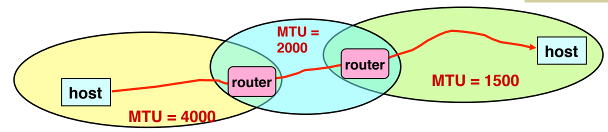
Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)

- Short messages used to send error & other control information
- Examples
  - Ping request / response
    - Can use to check whether remote host reachable
  - Destination unreachable
    - Indicates how packet got & why couldn't go further
  - Flow control
    - Slow down packet delivery rate
  - Redirect
    - Suggest alternate routing path for future messages
  - Router solicitation / advertisement
    - Helps newly connected host discover local router
  - Timeout
    - Packet exceeded maximum hop limit

IP MTU Discovery with ICMP



- Typically send series of packets from one host to another
- Typically, all will follow same route
  - Routes remain stable for minutes at a time
- Makes sense to determine path MTU before sending real packets
- Operation
  - Send max-sized packet with "do not fragment" flag set
  - If encounters problem, ICMP message will be returned
    - "Destination unreachable: Fragmentation needed"
    - Usually indicates MTU encountered

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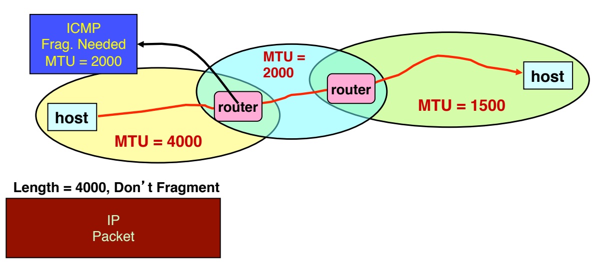

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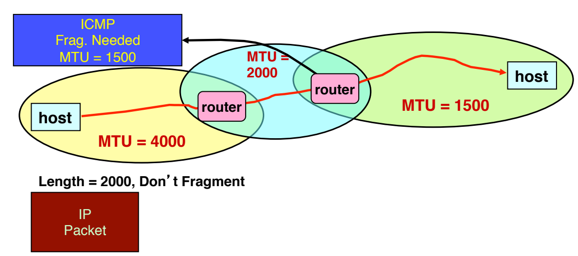

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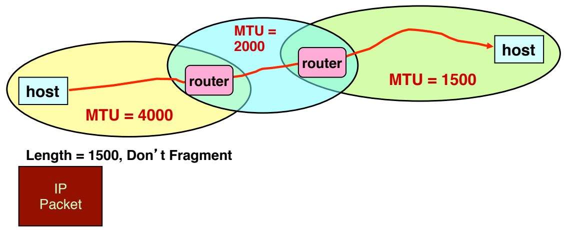

- When successful, no reply at IP level
  - "No news is good news"
- Higher level protocol might have some form of acknowledgement

Important Concepts

- Base-level protocol (IP) provides minimal service level
  - Allows highly decentralized implementation
  - Each step involves determining next hop
  - Most of the work at the endpoints
- ICMP provides low-level error reporting
- IP forwarding → global addressing, alternatives, lookup tables
- IP addressing → hierarchical, CIDR
- IP service → best effort, simplicity of routers
- IP packets → header fields, fragmentation, ICMP

Next Lecture

- How do forwarding tables get built?
- Routing protocols
  - Distance vector routing
  - Link state routing

Now for some really bad jokes…

- I tried to come up with an IPv4 joke, but the good ones were all already exhausted.
- The sad thing about IPv6 jokes is that almost no one understands them and no one is using them yet.
- WHO HAS any ARP jokes?
- Fragmentation jokes...are always…...told in parts.
- An IPv4 address space walks in to a bar, "A strong CIDR please. I'm exhausted.