



Introduction to Dynamic Routing Protocol



Routing Protocols and Concepts – Chapter 3

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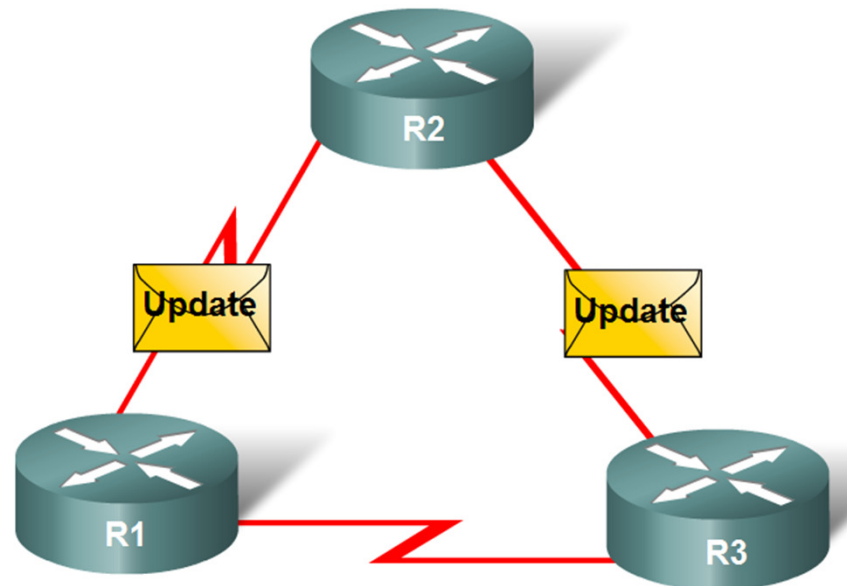
Objectives

- Describe the role of dynamic routing protocols and place these protocols in the context of modern network design.
- Identify several ways to classify routing protocols.
- Describe how metrics are used by routing protocols and identify the metric types used by dynamic routing protocols.
- Determine the administrative distance of a route and describe its importance in the routing process.
- Identify the different elements of the routing table.

Dynamic Routing Protocols

- Function(s) of Dynamic Routing Protocols:
 - Dynamically share information between routers.
 - Automatically update routing table when topology changes.
 - Determine best path to a destination.

Routers Dynamically Pass Updates



Dynamic Routing Protocols

- The **purpose of a dynamic routing protocol** is to:
 - Discover** remote networks
 - Maintaining** up-to-date routing information
 - Choosing the best path** to destination networks
 - Ability to **find a new best path** if the current path is no longer available

Routing Protocol Operation

Routing protocols are used to exchange routing information between the routers.



Dynamic Routing Protocols

- **Components of a routing protocol**

Algorithm

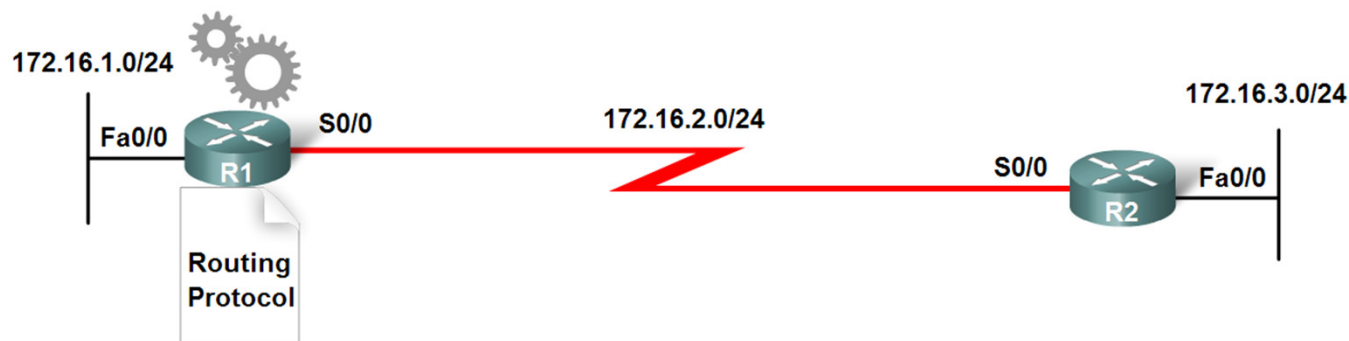
In the case of a routing protocol algorithms are used for facilitating routing information and best path determination

Routing protocol messages

These are messages for discovering neighbors and exchange of routing information

Routing Protocol Operation

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Dynamic Routing Protocols

- **Advantages** of **static routing**

- It can backup multiple interfaces/networks on a router
- Easy to configure
- No extra resources are needed
- More secure

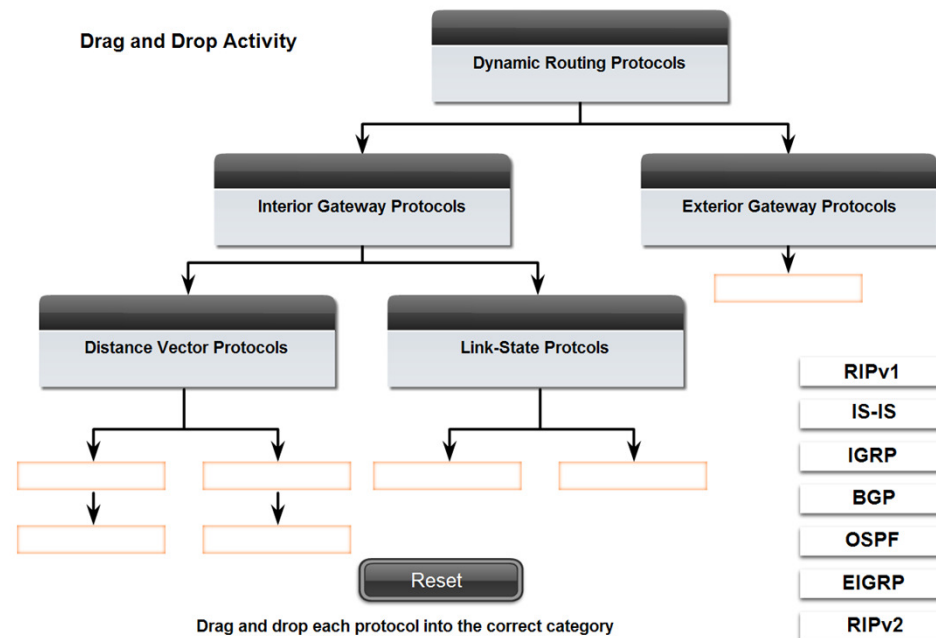
- **Disadvantages** of **static routing**

- Network changes require manual reconfiguration
- Does not scale well in large topologies

Classifying Routing Protocols

- Dynamic routing protocols are grouped according to characteristics. Examples include:

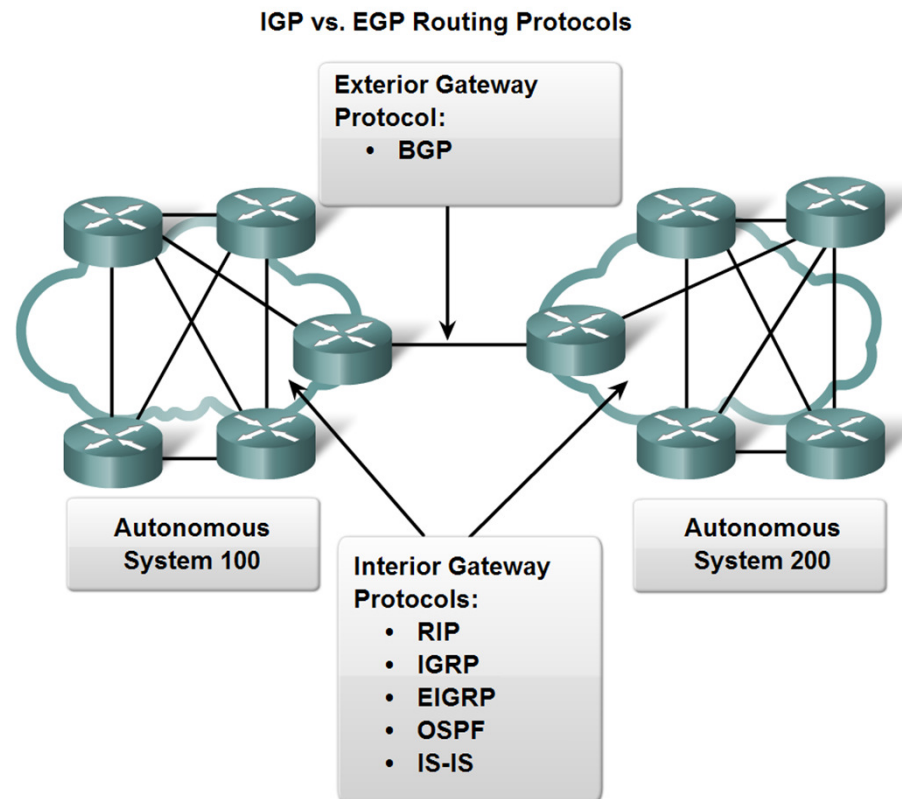
- RIP
- IGRP
- EIGRP
- OSPF
- IS-IS
- BGP



- Autonomous System** is a group of routers under the control of a single authority.

Classifying Routing Protocols

- **Types of routing protocols:**
 - **Interior Gateway Protocols (IGP)**
 - **Exterior Gateway Protocols (EGP)**



Classifying Routing Protocols

■ Interior Gateway Routing Protocols (IGP)

- Used for routing inside an autonomous system & used to route within the individual networks themselves.

- Examples: RIP, EIGRP, OSPF

■ Exterior Routing Protocols (EGP)

- Used for routing between autonomous systems

- Example: BGPv4

Classifying Routing Protocols

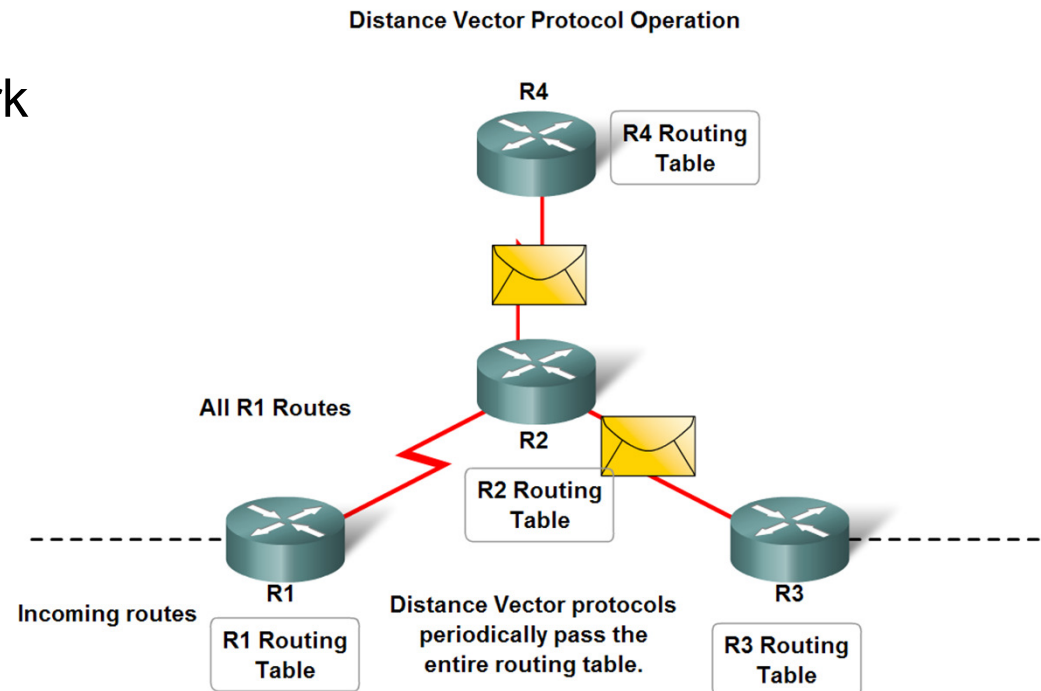
- IGP: Comparison of **Distance Vector** & **Link State** Routing Protocols

Distance vector

- routes are advertised as vectors of distance & direction.
- incomplete view of network topology.
- Generally, periodic updates.

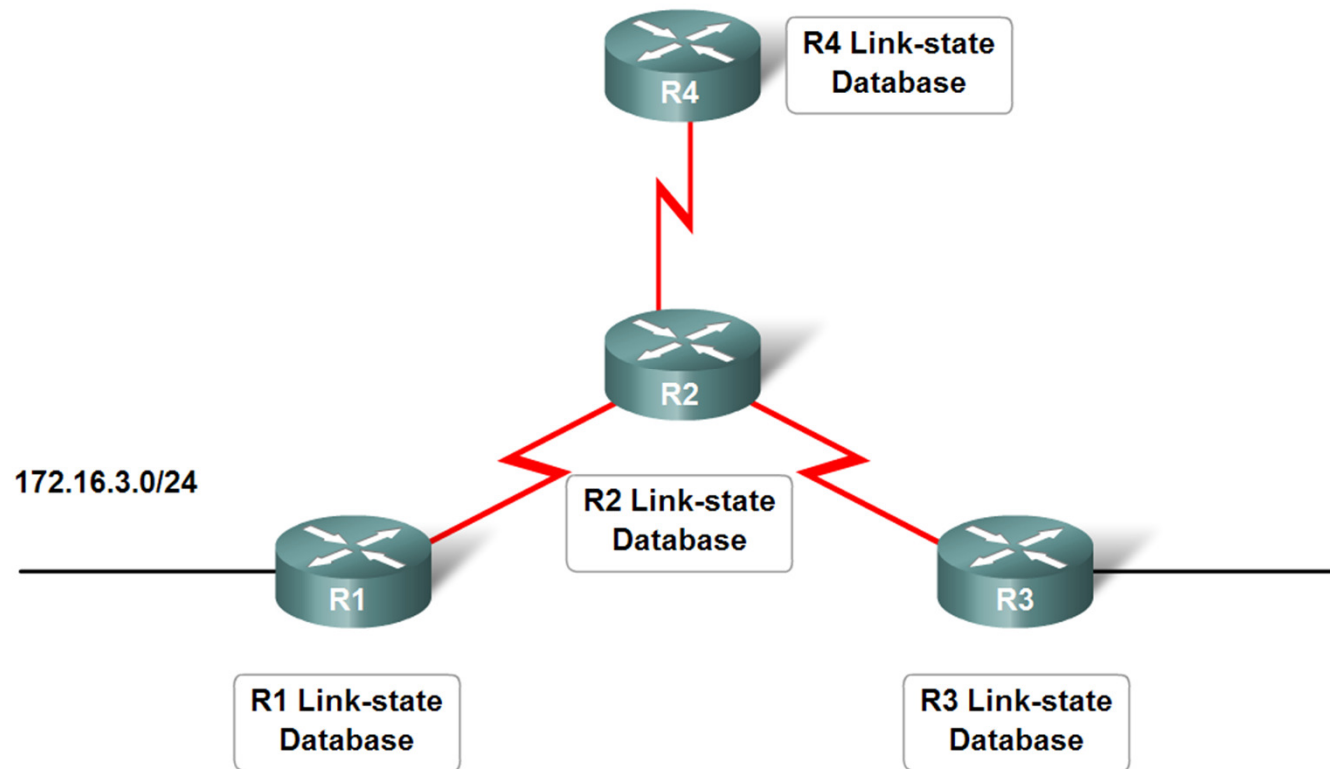
Link state

- complete view of network topology is created.
- updates are not periodic.



Classifying Routing Protocols

Link-state Protocol Operation



Link-state protocols pass updates when a link's state changes.

Classifying Routing Protocols

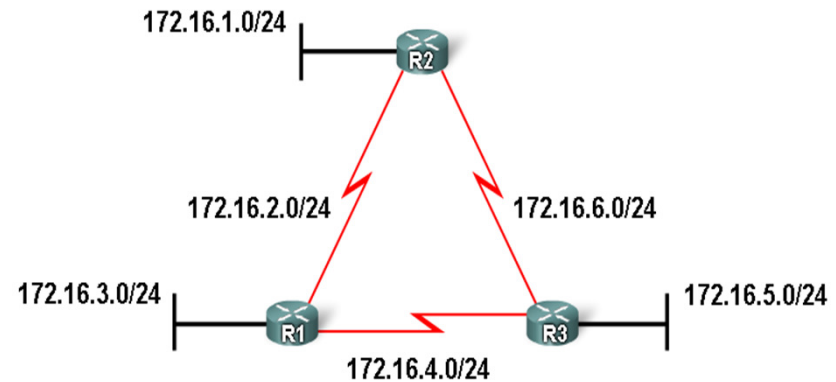
- **Classful routing protocols**

Do NOT send subnet mask in routing updates

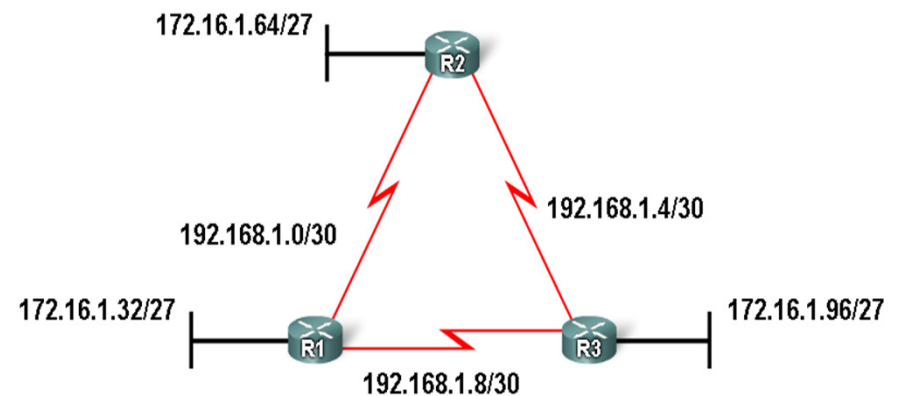
- **Classless routing protocols**

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Classful vs. Classless Routing



Classful: Subnet mask is the same throughout the topology

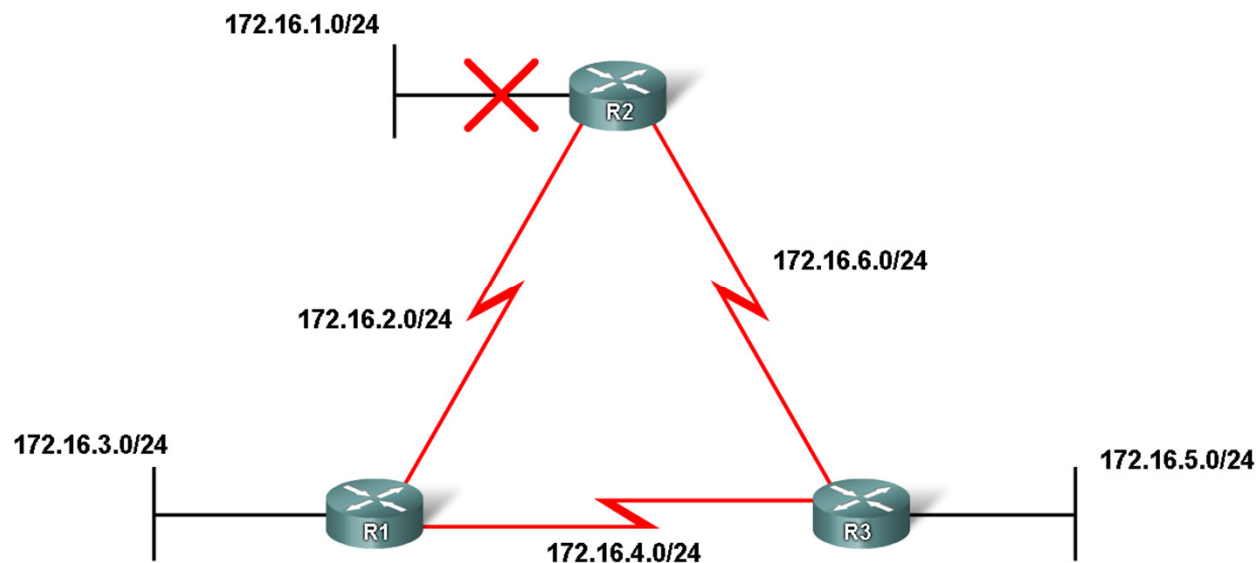


Classless: Subnet mask can vary in the topology

Classifying Routing Protocols

- Convergence** is defined as when all routers' routing tables are at **a state of consistency**

Comparing Convergence



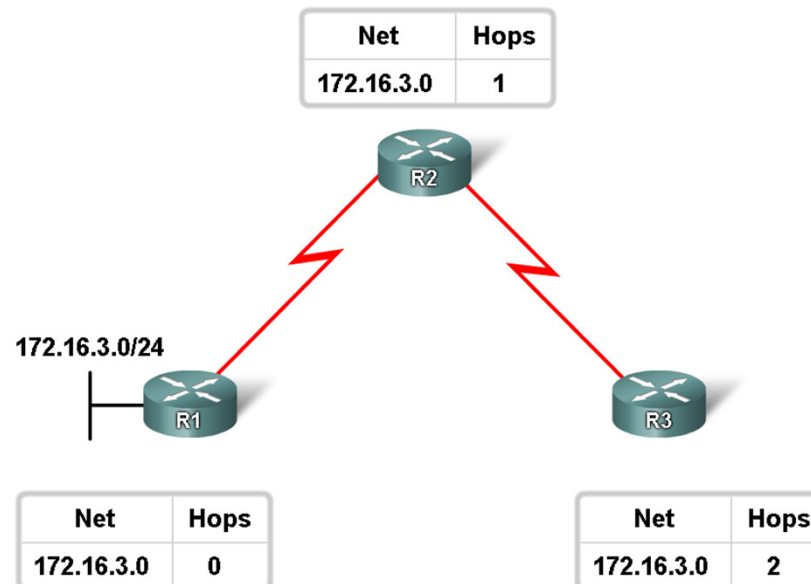
Slower Convergence: RIP and IGRP
Faster Convergence: EIGRP and OSPF

Routing Protocols Metrics

- **Metric**

A value used by a routing protocol to determine which routes are better than others.

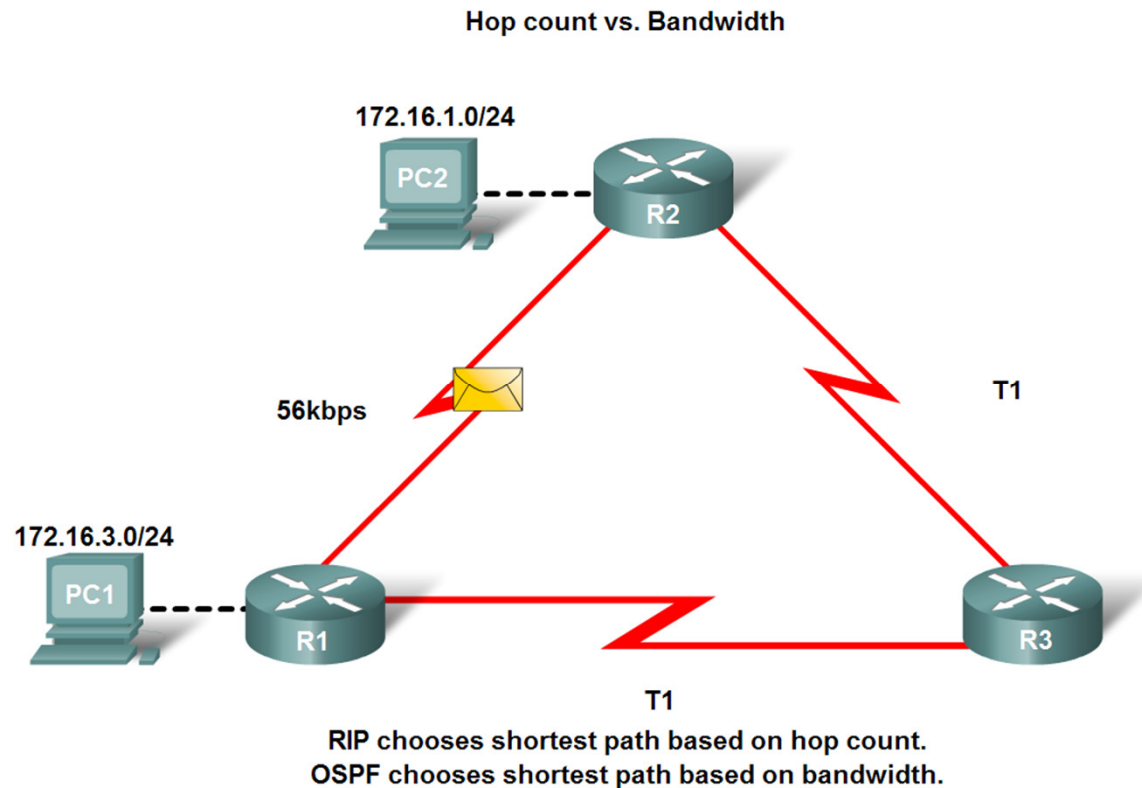
Metrics



Routing Protocols Metrics

- Metrics used in IP routing protocols

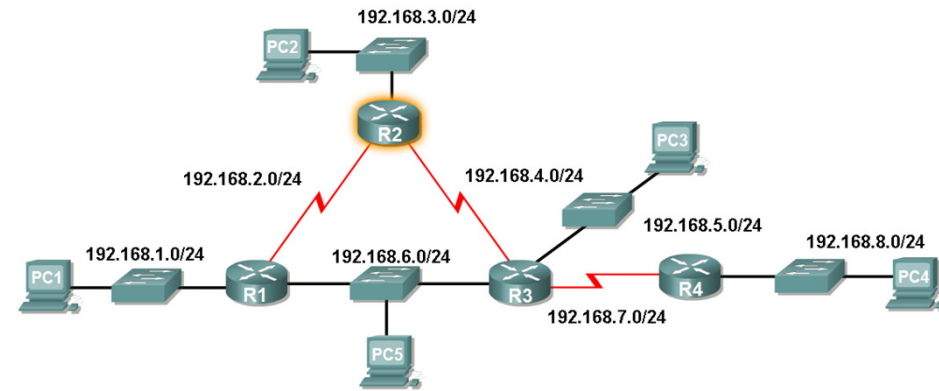
- Bandwidth
- Cost
- Delay
- Hop count
- Load
- Reliability



Routing Protocols Metrics

- The Metric Field in the Routing Table
- **Metric** used for each routing protocol
 - RIP - hop count
 - IGRP & EIGRP - Bandwidth (used by default), Delay (used by default), Load, Reliability
 - IS-IS & OSPF – Cost, Bandwidth (Cisco’s implementation)

Metric in the Routing Table



```
R2#show ip route
<output omitted>

Gateway of last resort is not set

R   192.168.1.0/24 [120/1] via 192.168.2.1, 00:00:24, Serial0/0
C   192.168.2.0/24 is directly connected, Serial0/0
C   192.168.3.0/24 is directly connected, FastEthernet0/0
C   192.168.4.0/24 is directly connected, Serial0/1
R   192.168.5.0/24 [120/1] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:26, Serial0/1
R   192.168.6.0/24 [120/1] via 192.168.2.1, 00:00:24, Serial0/0
                                     [120/1] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:26, Serial0/1
R   192.168.7.0/24 [120/1] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:26, Serial0/1
R   192.168.8.0/24 [120/2] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:26, Serial0/1
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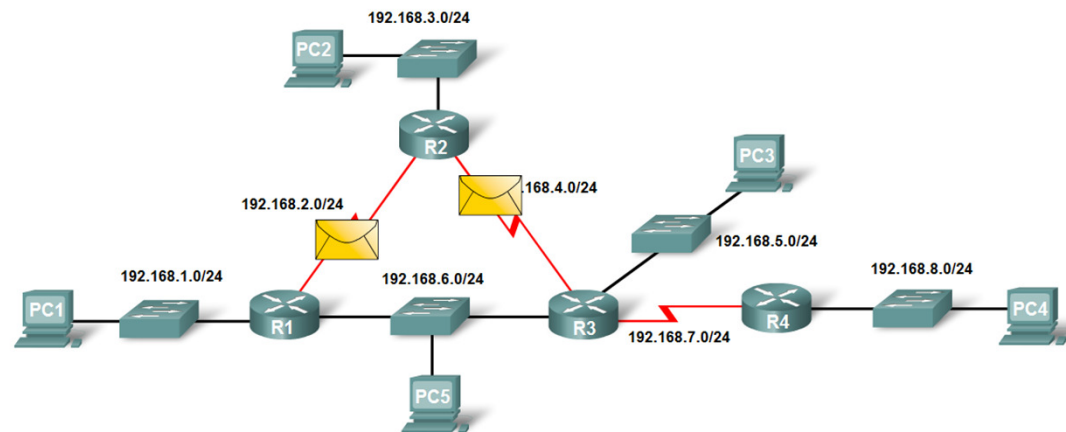
It is 2 hops from R2 to 192.168.8.0/24

Routing Protocols Metrics

- **Load balancing**

This is the ability of a router to distribute packets among multiple same cost paths

Load Balancing Across Equal Cost Paths



```
R2#show ip route
<output omitted>

R   192.168.6.0/24 [120/1] via 192.168.2.1, 00:00:24, Serial0/0/0
                        [120/1] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:26, Serial0/0/1
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Administrative Distance of a Route

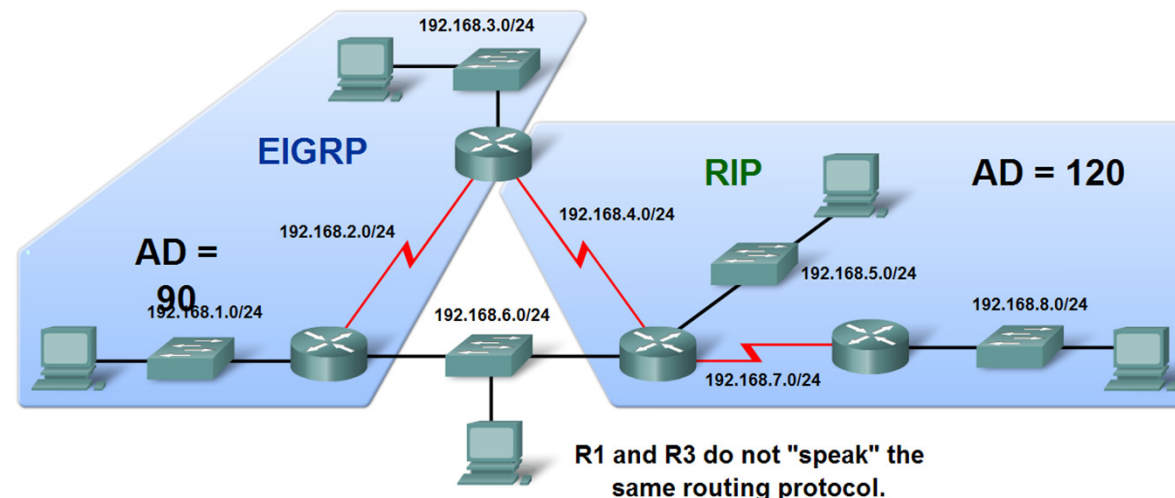
- **Purpose of a metric**

It's a calculated value **used to determine the best path** to a destination

- **Purpose of Administrative Distance**

It's a numeric value that **specifies the preference of a particular route**

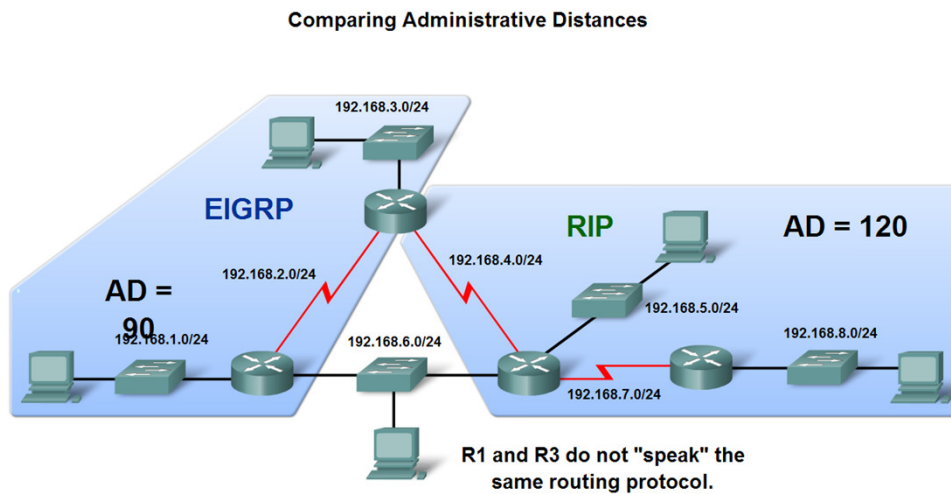
Comparing Administrative Distances



Administrative Distance of a Route

- Identifying the **Administrative Distance (AD)** in a routing table

It is **the first number in the brackets** in the routing table



```
R2#show ip route
<output omitted>

Gateway of last resort is not set

D   192.168.1.0/24 [90/2172416] via 192.168.2.1, 00:00:24, Serial0/0/0
C   192.168.2.0/24 is directly connected, Serial0/0/0
C   192.168.3.0/24 is directly connected, FastEthernet0/0
C   192.168.4.0/24 is directly connected, Serial0/0/1
R   192.168.5.0/24 [120/1] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:08, Serial0/0/1
D   192.168.6.0/24 [90/2172416] via 192.168.2.1, 00:00:24, Serial0/0/0
R   192.168.7.0/24 [120/1] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:08, Serial0/0/1
R   192.168.8.0/24 [120/2] via 192.168.4.1, 00:00:08, Serial0/0/1
```

```
R2#show ip rip database
192.168.3.0/24   directly connected, FastEthernet0/0
192.168.4.0/24   directly connected, Serial0/0/1
192.168.5.0/24
[1] via 192.168.4.1, Serial0/0/1
192.168.6.0/24
[1] via 192.168.4.1, Serial0/0/1
192.168.7.0/24
[1] via 192.168.4.1, Serial0/0/1
192.168.8.0/24
[2] via 192.168.4.1, Serial0/0/1
```

Administrative Distance of a Route

- Dynamic Routing Protocols

Default Administrative Distances

Route source	Default AD
Connected interface	0
Static	1
EIGRP summary route	5
eBGP	20
EIGRP (Internal)	90
IGRP	100
OSPF	110
IS - IS	115
RIP	120
EIGRP (External)	170
iBGP	200
Unknown	255

Administrative Distance of a Route

- **Directly connected routes**

Have a default **AD of 0**

- **Static Routes**

Administrative distance of a static route has a **default value of 1**

```
R2#show ip route 172.16.3.0
Routing entry for 172.16.3.0/24
Known via "static", distance 1, metric 0 (connected)
Routing Descriptor Blocks:
* directly connected, via Serial0/0/0
  Route metric is 0, traffic share count is 1
```

Administrative Distance of a Route

- **Directly connected routes**

- Immediately appear in the routing table as soon as the interface is configured

```
R2#show ip route
Codes: C - connected, S - static, I - IGRP, R - RIP, M - mobile, B - BGP
       D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, O - OSPF, IA - OSPF inter area
       N1 - OSPF NSSA external type 1, N2 - OSPF NSSA external type 2
       E1 - OSPF external type 1, E2 - OSPF external type 2, E - EGP
       i - IS-IS, L1 - IS-IS level-1, L2 - IS-IS level-2, ia - IS-IS inter area
       * - candidate default, U - per-user static route, o - ODR
       P - periodic downloaded static route

Gateway of last resort is not set

    172.16.0.0/24 is subnetted, 3 subnets
C       172.16.1.0 is directly connected, FastEthernet0/0
C       172.16.2.0 is directly connected, Serial0/0/0
S       172.16.3.0 is directly connected, Serial0/0/0
C       192.168.1.0/24 is directly connected, Serial0/0/1
S       192.168.2.0/24 [1/0] via 192.168.1.1
```

Summary

- **Dynamic routing protocols** fulfill the following **functions**
 - **Dynamically share information** between routers
 - **Automatically update routing table** when topology changes
 - **Determine best path** to a destination
- **Routing protocols are grouped as either**
 - **Interior gateway protocols (IGP) Or**
 - **Exterior gateway protocols(EGP)**
- **Types of IGPs include**
 - **Classless routing protocols** - these protocols include subnet mask in routing updates
 - **Classful routing protocols** - these protocols do not include subnet mask in routing update

Summary

- **Metrics** are used by dynamic routing protocols to calculate the best path to a destination.
- **Administrative distance** is an integer value that is used to indicate a router's "trustworthiness"
- **Components of a routing table** include:
 - Route source
 - Administrative distance
 - Metric

