

Announcements

- Reading
 - Today: Chapter 5 (5.3-5.4)
- Project #2
 - Due on Monday Sept 26th (10 AM)

Shortest Path Routing

- Graph Representation

- nodes are routers
- arcs are links
- to get between two routes, select a the shortest path
- need to decide metric to use for minimization

- Dijkstra's Algorithm

select source as current node

while current node is not destination

 foreach neighbor of current

 if route via current is better update its tentative route

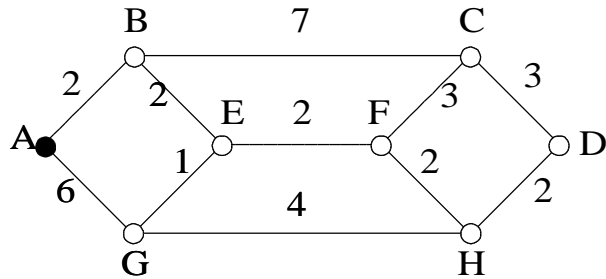
 label node with <distance, current Node>

 find tentative node with shortest route

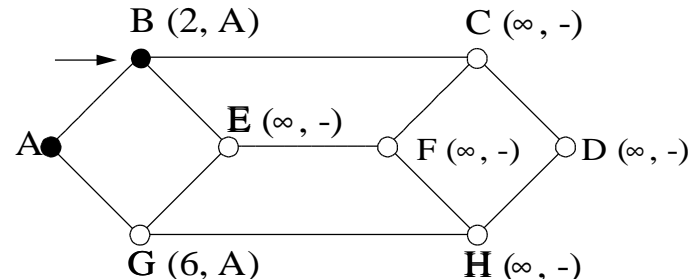
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 make it current

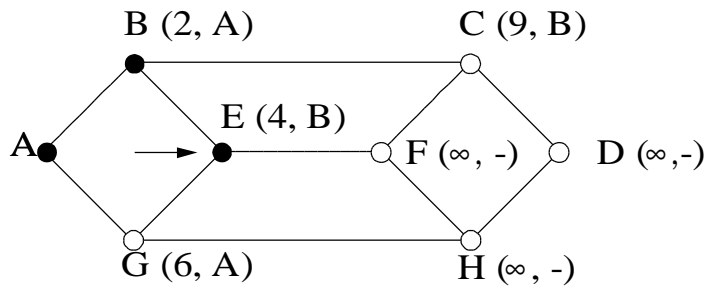
Shortest Path Example



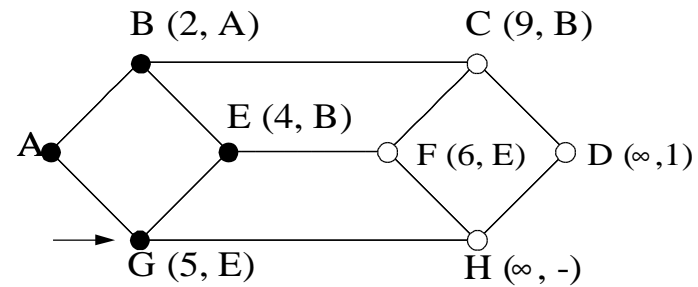
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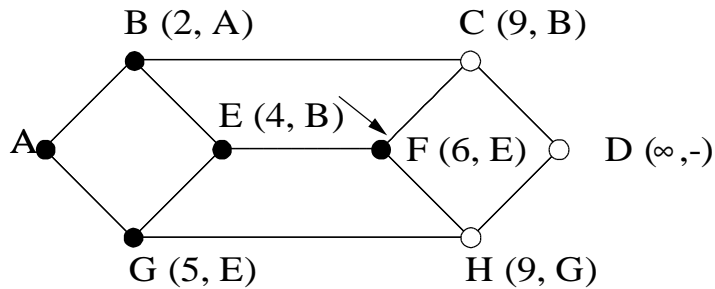
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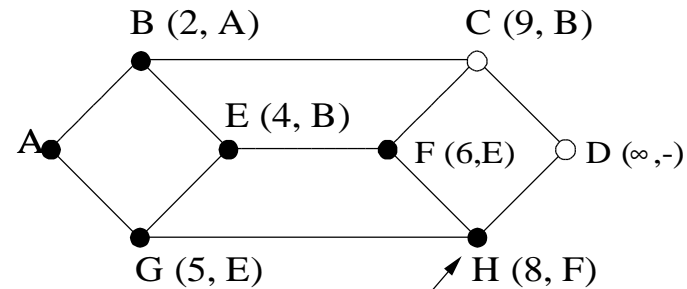
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Flood Routing

- Every Incoming packet is resent on every outbound link
- generates many duplicate packets
- potentially infinite packets unless they are damped
 - multiple paths to the same destination result in loops
 - can use a lifetime (max hops) to damp traffic
 - can also keep track in routers if the packet has been seen
- good metric to compare algorithms
 - flooding always chooses the shortest path
 - must ignore overhead and congestion due to flooding

Flow-Based Routing

- Compute optimal routes off-line if we know *in advance*:
 - link capacity
 - topology
 - traffic for foreach <src,dest> pair
- Testing a routing table:
 - given a tentative routing table
 - for each link we can compute mean delay

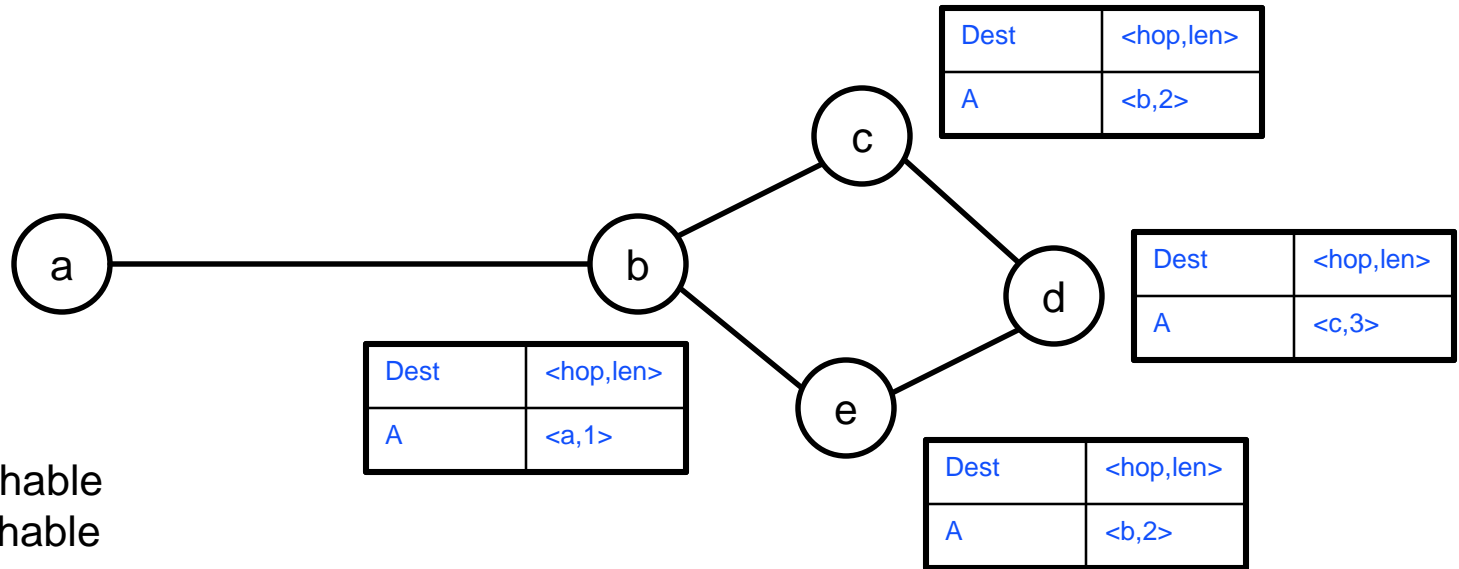
$$T = \frac{1}{mC - I}$$

- C is link capacity bps, $1/\mu$ is mean packet size, λ is actual traffic in packets/sec
- then compute overall utilization (as mean or max of delays)
- possible to exhaustively try all routing tables this way

Distance Vector Routing

- Also known as Bellman-Ford or Ford-Fulkerson
 - original ARPANET routing algorithm
 - early versions of IPX and DECnet used it too
- Each router keeps a table of tuples about all other routers
 - outbound link to use to that router
 - metric (hops, etc.) to that router
 - routers also must know “distance” to each neighbor
- Every T sec., each router sends its table to its neighbors
 - each router then updates its table based on the new info
- Problems:
 - fast response to good news
 - slow response to bad news
 - takes max hops rounds to learn of a downed host
 - known as count-to-infinity problem

Example: Count to Infinity Problem



Update1:
 b: unreachable
 c: unreachable
 d: <c,3>
 e: unreachable

Update2:
 b: unreachable
 c: <d,4>
 d: unreachable
 e: <d,4>

Update3:
 b: <e,5>
 c: unreachable
 d: <e,5>
 e: unreachable

Update3:
 b: unreachable
 c: <e,6>
 d: unreachable
 e: <d,6>

Link State Routing

- Used on the ARPANET after 1979
- Each Router:
 - computes metric to neighbors and sends to **every** other router
 - each router computes the shortest path based on received data
- Needs to estimate time to neighbor
 - best approach is send an **ECHO** packet and time response
- Distributing Info to other routers
 - each router may have a different view of the topology
 - simple idea: use flooding
 - refinements
 - use age sequence number to damp old packets
 - use acks to permit reliable delivery of routing info

Hierarchical Routing

- Routing grows more complex with more routers
 - takes more space to store routing tables
 - requires more time to compute routes
 - uses more link bandwidth to update routes
- Solution:
 - divide the world into several hierarchies
 - Do I really care that router z at foo U just went down?
 - only store info about
 - your local area
 - how to get to higher up routers
 - optimal number of levels for an N router network is $\ln N$
 - requires a total of $e \ln N$ entries per router

Routing for Mobility

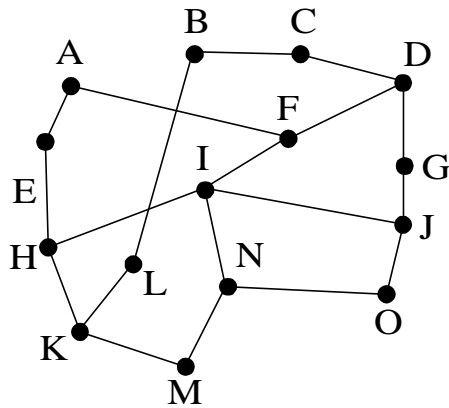
- Or What happens when computers move?
- Two types of mobility:
 - migratory: on the net in many locations but not while in motion
 - roaming: on the net while in motion
- Basic idea:
 - everyone has a home
 - you spend much of your time near home
 - when not at home, they know where to find you
 - home agents: know where you are (or that you are missing)
 - foreign agents: inform home agents of your location
 - informs users that future communication should be sent via them (this is a huge potential security hole)

Broadcast Routing

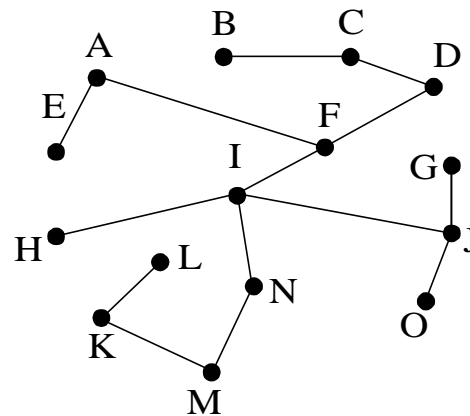
- Sometimes information needs to go to everyone
 - routing updates in link-state
 - stock data, weather data, etc.
- sender iterates over all destinations
 - wastes bandwidth
 - sender must know who is interested
- flooding
 - see routing updates for issues
- multi-destination routing
 - routers support having multiple destinations
 - routers copy output packets to correct link(s)
- spanning tree
 - contains subset of graph with no loops
 - efficient use of bandwidth
 - requires info to be present in routers (but it is for link state)

Routing Broadcast Traffic (cont.)

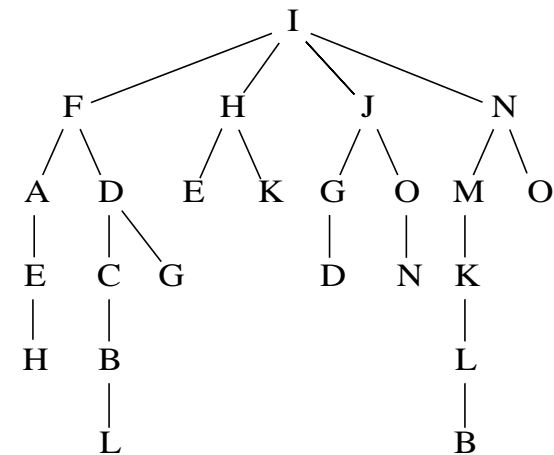
- Reverse path forwarding
 - check link a packet arrives on
 - if the inbound link is the one the router would use to the source, then
 - forward it out all other links
 - else
 - discard the packet
 - requires no special data sorted in each router



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