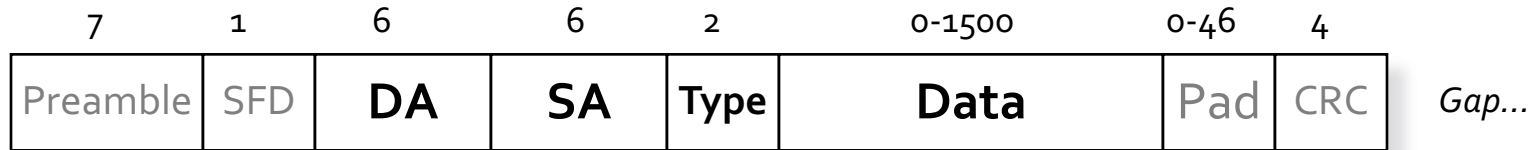ELEC / COMP 177 – Fall 2016

Computer Networking → Global Communication

Some slides from Kurose and Ross, *Computer Networking*, 5th Edition

Recap – Ethernet Frame

7	1	6	6	2	0-1500	0-46	4	
Preamble	SFD	**DA**	**SA**	**Type**	**Data**	Pad	CRC	*Gap…*

- Destination MAC address
- Source MAC address
- Type (of encapsulated data)
- The data!
- **Who assigns the source address?**
  - **Does it contain information on network location?**
- **If I just have an Ethernet frame, where can I send data to?**
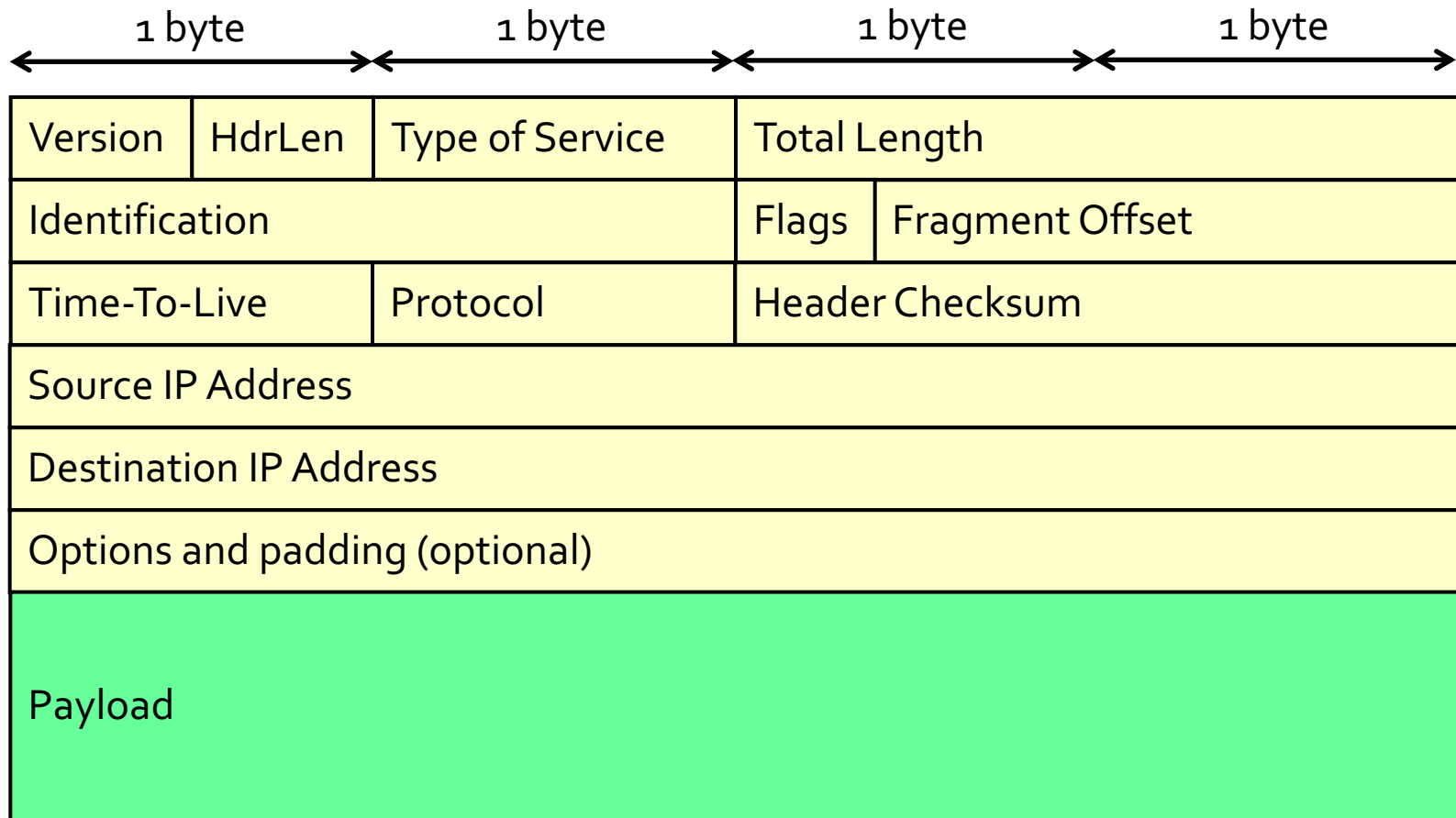
Recap – Ethernet Switch

- **How does a switch learn the location of computers on the network? (what *field*)**
- **What is stored in the forwarding table?**
  - MAC address, output port
- **What happens if a switch has no match in its forwarding table?**

Recap – Ethernet

- **Why can't we use Ethernet for global communication?**
  - Broadcasts to find location of computers – too much bandwidth to do worldwide
  - Loops – Ethernet uses spanning tree to prevent loops
    - Can't have a single "root" of the Internet!
  - **Address contains no information about location on network**
    - Would need to have a forwarding table with one entry for every PC on the Internet we want to communicate with
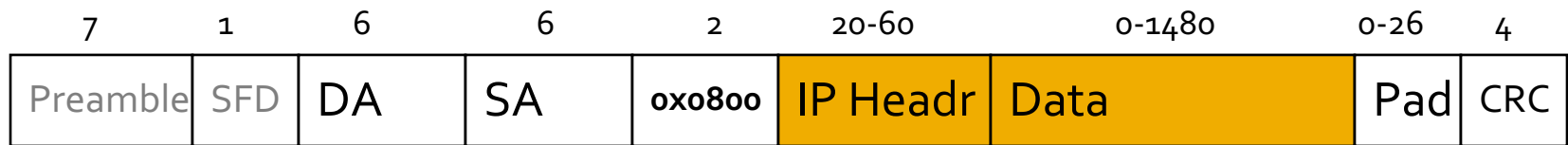   - i.e. a single worldwide "phonebook" with no shortcuts!

Recap – IP Datagram

1 byte	1 byte	1 byte	1 byte

Version	HdrLen	Type of Service	Total Length	
Identification			Flags	Fragment Offset
Time-To-Live		Protocol	Header Checksum	
Source IP Address				
Destination IP Address				
Options and padding (optional)				
Payload				

Recap – IP Datagram

- **Are IP packets separate from Ethernet frames?**

Bytes:

7	1	6	6	2	20-60	0-1480	0-26	4
Preamble	SFD	DA	SA	0x0800	IP Headr	Data	Pad	CRC

IP Datagram

- **Time-to-live field: what's it used for?**

Recap – IP encapsulated in Ethernet

Destination MAC Address			
Destination MAC Address		Source MAC Address	
Source MAC Address			
Type (`0x0800`)		Version	HdrLen	Type of Service
Total Length		Identification	
Flags	Fragment Offset	Time-To-Live	Protocol
Header Checksum		Source IP Address	
Source IP Address		Destination IP Address	
Destination IP Address		Options and Padding	
Options and Padding		Payload	
Payload			
Ethernet CRC			

Recap – IP Datagram

- **Where does the source IP address come from?**
  - DHCP (possibly running on the router)
- **Where does the destination IP address come from?**
  - DNS can be used to translate a host name from the *user* (e.g. www.pacific.edu) into an IP address (e.g. `138.9.110.12`)

Recap – IP Routers

- Ethernet switches forward packets based on destination MAC address
- **What do routers forward packets based on?**
  - Destination IP address
- **What is in the router's forwarding table?**
  - Prefixes, e.g. `138.16.9/24`
  - Next hop IP
  - Exit port
- **What happens if more than one prefix matches the destination IP address?**
  - **Longest prefix match** determines winner

Recap – Forwarding versus Routing

FORWARDING

- Move packets from router's input to appropriate router output
- *Longest prefix match* (LPM)

ROUTING

- Determine path (route) taken by packets from source to destination
- Routing algorithms such as RIP and OSPF

Example

- Send a single IP packet from Pacific to the main <u>Moscow State University</u> web server
- My IP:
  - `138.9.253.252`
- MSU's IP:
  - `93.180.0.18`

Traceroute

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26  www.msu.ru (93.180.0.18)  204.045 ms !Z
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Companies Handling Our Packet

Number	Name
1)	University of the Pacific
2)	Time Warner Telecom
3)	Level 3 Communications
4)	Runnet - State Institute of Information Technologies & Telecommunications (SIIT&T "Informika")
5)	Moscow State University

Assumptions

- Assume that I know
  - My own MAC address (hardwired on the NIC)
  - My own IP address (assigned via DHCP to be within my local subnet)
  - The subnet mask for my local network
  - The IP address of my gateway router leading "outside"
  - The IP address of MSU that I want to send a message to

Step 1

- **What happens first?**
  - Compare destination IP with my IP and subnet mask
    - My IP: `138.9.110.104`
    - My subnet mask: `255.255.255.0`
    - Thus, my subnet is `138.9.110/24`
  - Destination IP of `93.180.0.18` is (way!) outside my LAN

Step 2

- **The destination is outside of my LAN. What happens next?**
  - Need to send packet to gateway router
- **What does the Ethernet/IP packet look like?**
  - Destination MAC: ???
  - Source MAC: My MAC
  - Destination IP: MSU's IP
  - Source IP: My IP
  - TTL: 64 (a reasonable default)

Step 3

- **How do I get the MAC address of the router port attached to my LAN?**
  - I know my gateway router's IP address
  - Use ARP (Address Resolution Protocol)
- **Who receives my ARP request?**
  - Everyone – broadcast to all hosts on LAN
  - *"Who has 138.16.110.1? Tell 138.9.110.104"*
- **Who replies to my ARP request?**
  - Only the host (if any) with the requested IP address. This should be the router

Step 4

- Assume there is an Ethernet switch between you and the router
- **What happens if the switch has seen the MAC address of the router before?**

  - Packet is sent out only the port that faces the router
- **What happens if the switch has *not* seen the MAC address before?**

  - Packet is broadcast out all ports
- Switch **always** learns (or re-learns) from each packet

Step 5

- The packet reaches your gateway router (first router between here and MSU)
- **What does the router do?**
  - Verify checksums
  - Longest prefix match on destination IP address
- **What information is returned from router's forwarding table?**
  - Next hop IP address
    - (of subsequent router, or final host)
  - Output port

Step 6

- Assume the next hop is also connected to this router via Ethernet
- **What do we need to know to send a message to this router?**
  - Its MAC address
- **How do we find this?**
  - Router does ARP (just like hosts do ARP)

Step 7

- **How does the router modify the packet when retransmitting?**

  - Destination MAC = *change* to be MAC of next hop

  - Source MAC = *change* to be MAC of this router

  - Destination IP = unchanged

  - Source IP = unchanged

  - TTL = *decrement* by 1

  - Checksum = *recalculate*

Step 8

- This process of re-transmitting a packet repeats for many routers across the network
  - *26 in this example*
- Eventually, however, the "next hop" in the forwarding table is the actual destination computer
  - Packet has arrived!
- **Is that all the complexity in the Internet?**
  - **No – forwarding tables in the router aren't created by magic!**

Routing

- In addition to forwarding packets, routers are busy (*asynchronously*) calculating **least-cost** routes to destinations

  - Goal: Have the forwarding table ready by the time your packet arrives with a specific destination

- **What happens if the forwarding table isn't ready, and there is no entry for your destination?**

  - Packet is dropped – you lose

Hierarchical Routing

- Our routing discussion thus far has been idealized
  - All routers are identical
  - The network is "flat"
- This is not true in practice!

- Problem 1 – **Scale**
  - Hundreds of millions of destinations:
  - Can't store all destinations in routing tables!
  - Routing table exchange would swamp links!
  - Distance-vector would never converge

- Problem 2 - **Administrative autonomy**
  - Internet = network of networks
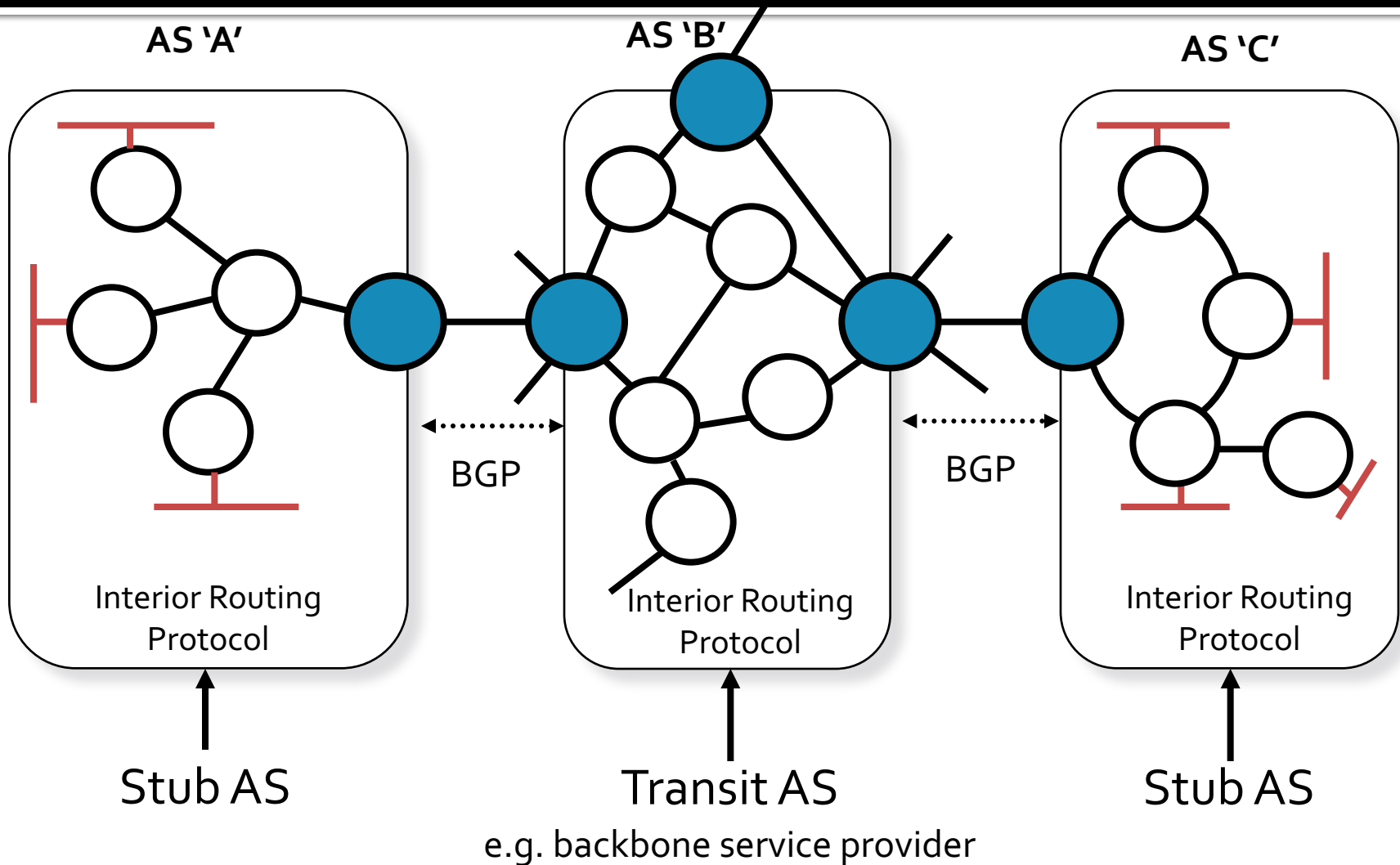 - Each network admin wants to control routing in his/her own network

Hierarchical Routing

- Aggregate routers into regions (aka "**autonomous systems**" - AS)
- Routers inside autonomous system run same routing protocol
    - "Intra-AS" routing protocol
    - Routers in different AS can run different intra-AS routing protocol
- Border Router
    - Direct link to router in another AS

Routing in the Internet

- The Internet uses hierarchical routing
- The Internet is split into Autonomous Systems
    - "Independent" networks on the Internet
    - Typically owned/controlled by a single entity
    - Share a common routing policy
- Example autonomous systems
    - Pacific (18663), Exxon (1766), IBM (16807), Level3 (3356)
- Different routing protocols within and between autonomous systems
    - Interior gateway/routing protocol (e.g. OSPF)
    - Border gateway protocol (e.g. BGP)

Autonomous Systems

AS 'A'

AS 'B'

AS 'C'

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AS Numbers in Traceroute

AS	Name
0	Reserved (local use)
18663	University of the Pacific *(Traceroute didn't resolve this due to missing information in address registry…)*
4323	Time Warner Telecom
3356	Level 3 Communications
3267	Runnet - State Institute of Information Technologies & Telecommunications (SIIT&T "Informika")
2848	Moscow State University

First AS

- First AS is Pacific's (AS18663)
- Do a lookup on the AS
  - https://stat.ripe.net/
  - https://www.dan.me.uk/bgplookup
  - http://www.peeringdb.com/
    - Among other places...
- Pacific's gateway(s) to the Internet <u>advertise</u> a BGP prefix (aka subnet)
  - `138.9.0.0/16`

First AS

- An advertisement is a *promise:*
    - If you give me packets destined for IP addresses in this range, I will move them closer to their destination.
    - In this case, we *are* the destination!
    - This advertisement *originates* from our AS

Second AS

- Pacific buys Internet service from Time Warner (AS4323) , which has border routers that speak BGP

  - Pacific's routers talk to their routers, and they learn of our advertisement for 138.9.0.0/16

  - Now, Time Warner knows how to reach Pacific's IPs

  - We also learn of their advertisements!

    - Both for prefixes *originating* at those ISPs, and prefixes *reachable* through those ISPs

Announcements

- **When Time Warner give our routers their BGP announcements, do we get lots of tiny entries like 138.9.0.0/16?**
  - Maybe
  - But, routes can be aggregated together and expressed with smaller prefixes, e.g. `138.0.0.0/8`
    - Reduces communication time plus router CPU and memory requirements

Second AS (continued)

- Pacific had only 1 announcement
- Time Warner *originates* ~1578 announcements (as of Nov 2015)
  - Some are large, e.g. `173.226.0.0/15`
  - Some are small, e.g. `159.157.233.0/24`
- Time Warner also provides transit to their *downstream* customers' prefixes, including Pacific's prefix
  - Total of ~4998 announcements (as of Nov 2015)
  - We get this full list, as does ever other (BGP-speaking) AS connected to Time Warner

Third AS

- Time Warner (AS4323) can move this packet to San Jose, where it enters the Equinix Internet Exchange (See https://www.peeringdb.com)
  - Private location to peer ("exchange traffic") with dozens of other companies
  - Akamai, Apple, Amazon, Facebook, Google, Microsoft, many ISPs, etc...
- Time Warner connects with Level 3 (AS3356)
  - *Do they pay, or is this free?*
  - Same sharing of BGP announcements occurs here

Last AS

- **The same thing is happening over in Eurasia**
- Last AS of our path is Moscow State University (AS2848)
- MSU's gateway(s) to the Internet <u>advertise</u> a BGP prefix for `93.180.0.0/18` (along with 3 others that *originate* in this AS)
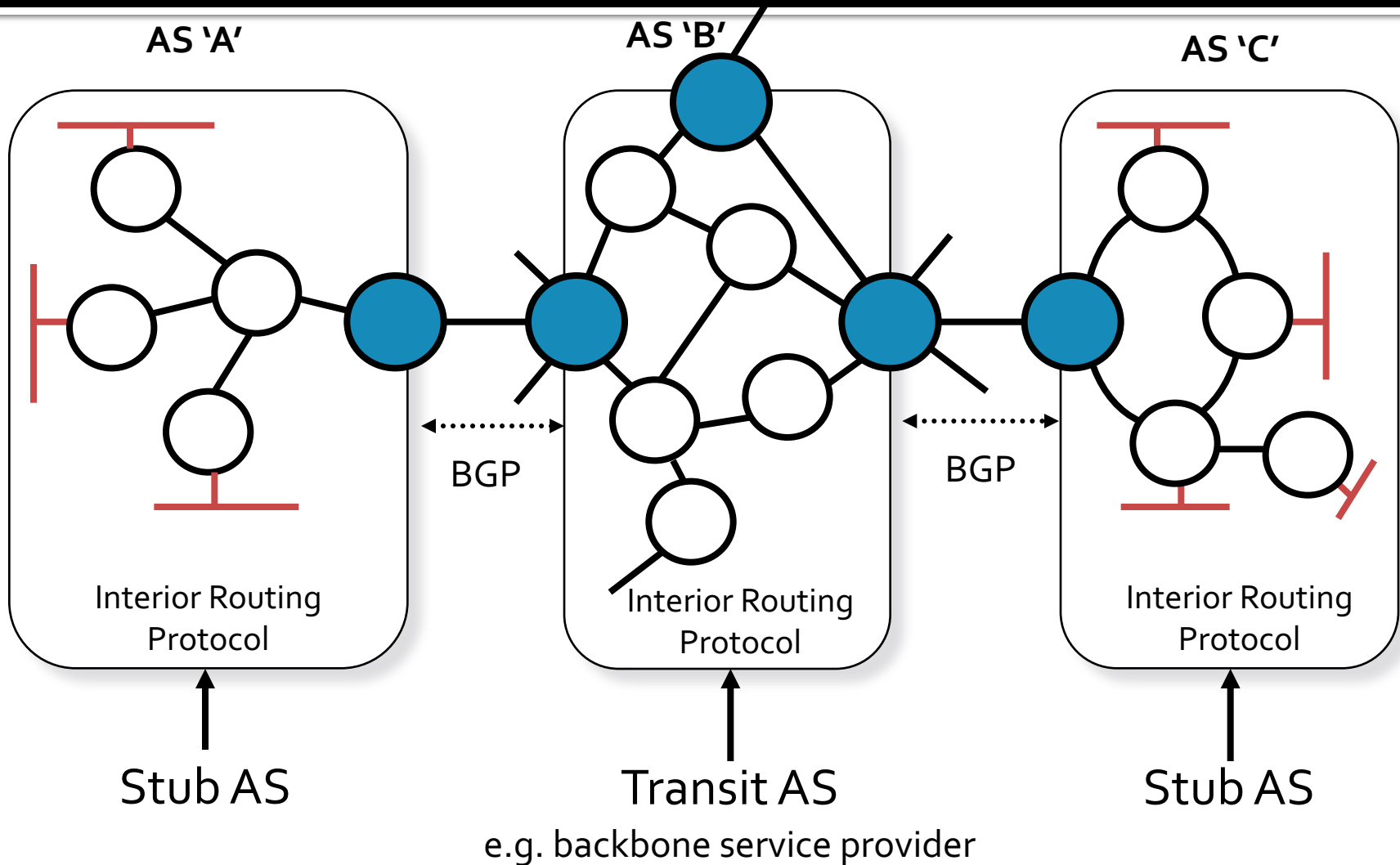 - That encompasses the destination IP of `93.180.0.18`

Next-to-last AS

- Moscow State University connects to Runnet (AS3267)

  - Runnet announces prefix `93.180.0.0/18` (along with 291 others reachable *downstream*, and 13 that *originate* in this AS)

  - Runnet now knows how to reach IPs that belong to MSU

- Runnet obtains transit through Level3, so our link is complete!

What's Missing?

- The forwarding table!

  - We keep forgetting to generate the forwarding table!

- Need more information

  - BGP tells us links <u>between</u> autonomous systems

  - Other protocols (RIP, OSPF) tell us paths <u>within</u> autonomous systems

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Interior Routing Protocol

- **Option 1: Global Information** (example: OSPF)
  - All routers have complete topology, link cost info
  - **"Link state" algorithms** *(Dijkstra's algorithm)*
- **Option 2: Decentralized** (example: RIP)
  - Router only knows physically-connected neighbors and link costs to neighbors
  - Iterative process of computation, exchange of info with neighbors
 - **"Distance vector" algorithms** *(Bellman-Ford Algorithm)*

Interior Routing Protocol

- Each router inside the AS updates its own forwarding table to direct BGP prefixes to the appropriate gateway router to the next AS
  - Rules might be very simple, i.e. just forward everything not destined to this AS to the same gateway router
  - Or rules might be complicated…
- **End result is a forwarding table for the router**
  - Prefix (for LPM)
  - Next-hop IP
  - Exit port

Growth of Internet – AS's
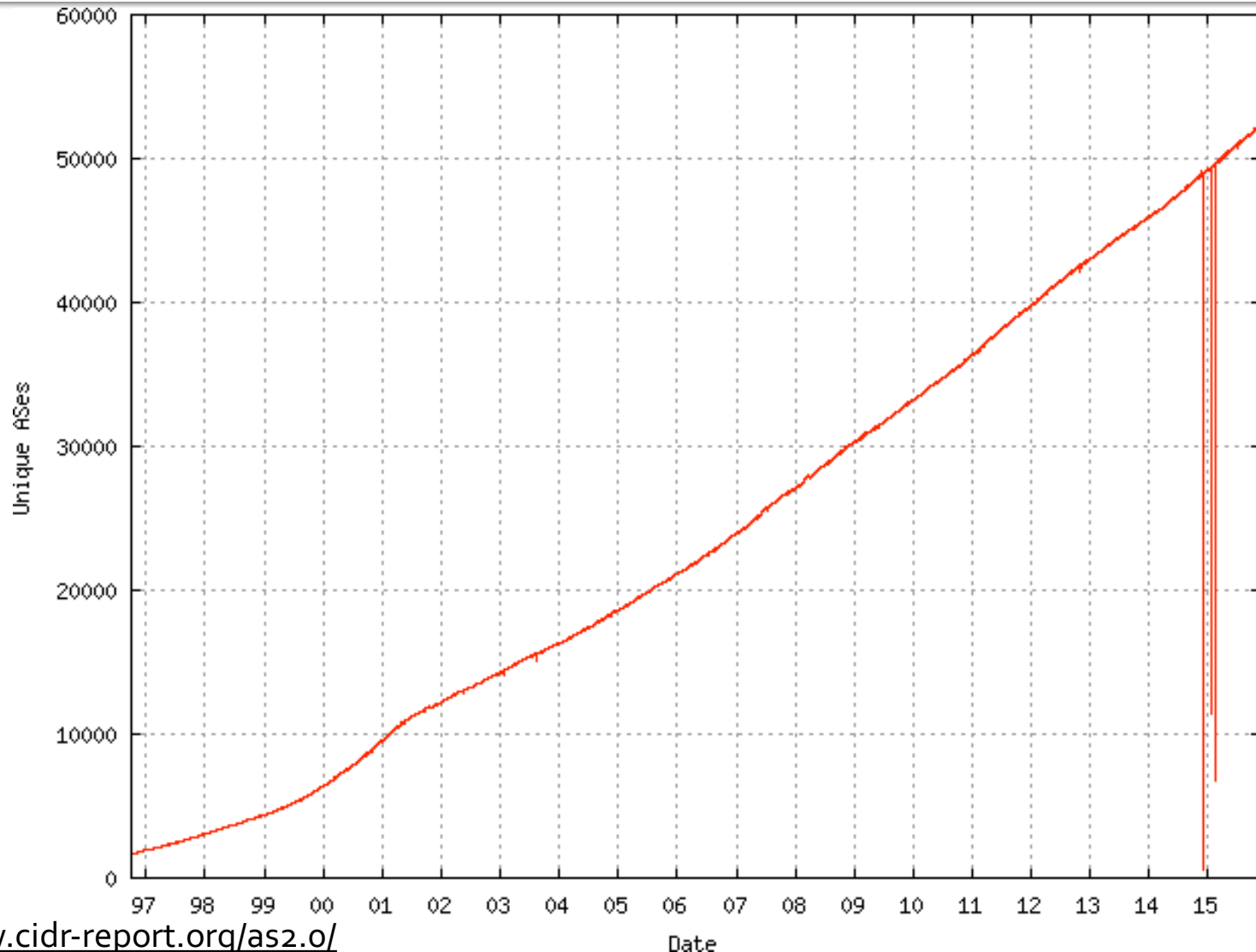
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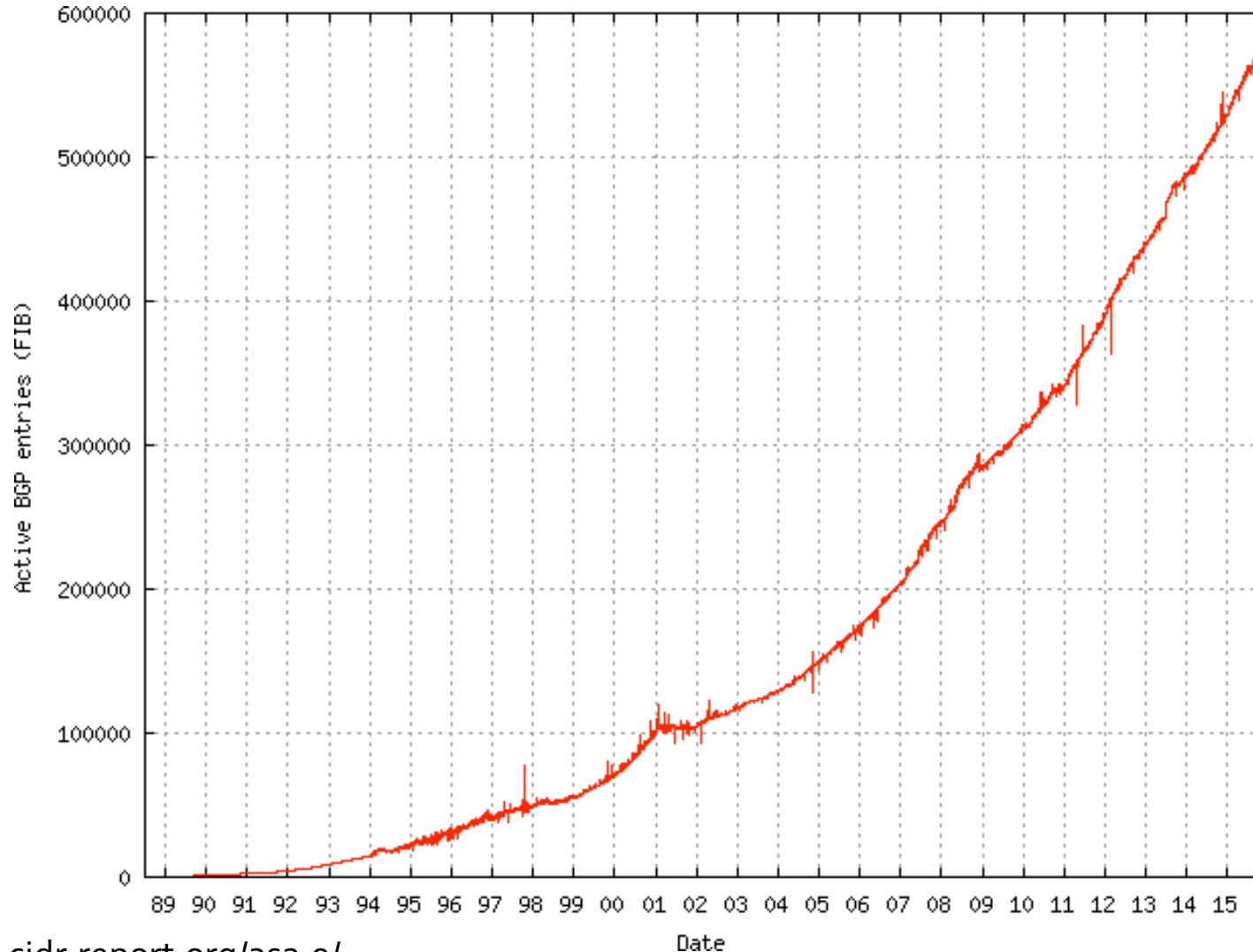
Growth

- **What does this growth mean for routers on the BGP-speaking Internet?**

  - They need to grow too! (more memory, faster CPUs, etc…)

What Does *My* Computer Do?

- **Does *my* computer speak BGP?**
  - No – your ISP's external gateway router does
- **Does *my* computer speak RIP or OSPF?**
  - No – your ISP's internal routers do
- **Does *my* computer speak ARP?**
  - Yes
- **Does *my* computer speak IP?**
  - Yes
- **Does *my* computer speak Ethernet?**
  - Yes

Milestone

- **Successfully sent a single IP packet across the global Internet**
  - Now know all of the key protocols and standards necessary to accomplish that task
- **Now can I waste time watching LOLcats?**

Milestone

- Not quite. One IP packet by itself is not enough to transmit an entire image
- **What else do we need?**
  - Method to **link multiple IP packets together** and deliver them to the **correct process** on the receiver
    - **Transport layer**: UDP, TCP (TCP also provides **reliability!**)
  - **Applications** need to be written to use this reliable network communication, and they need protocols of their own!
    - Web = HTTP, Email = POP / IMAP / SMTP, …