
# Networks Declassified:

## TCP/IP & Wireless Networking Survival Guide

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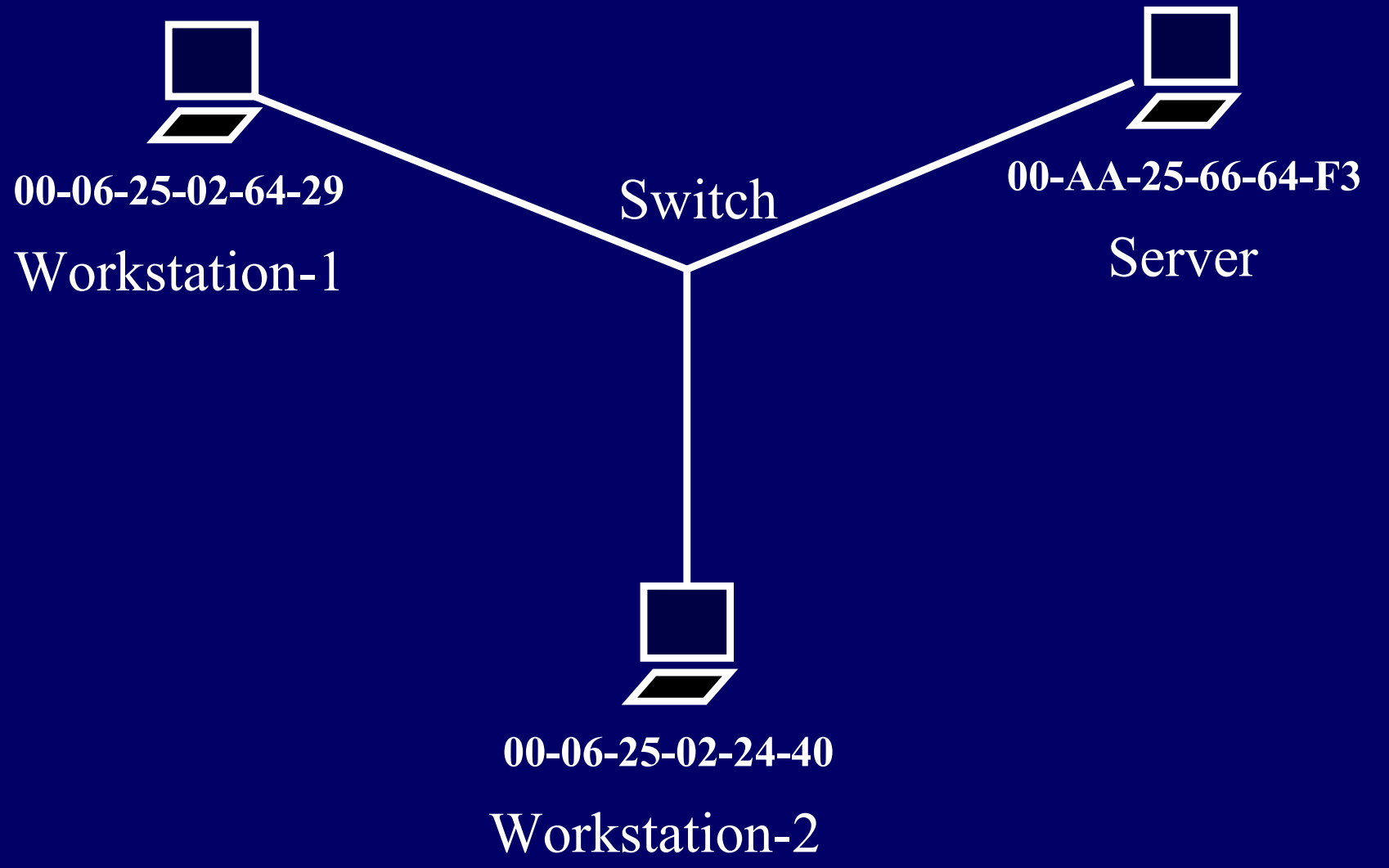
# Seminar Overview

- Cable Media
- TCP/IP Protocol
- Packet Structure
- Addressing & Routing
- Wireless Fundamentals
- Realistic Wireless Surveys
- Wireless Pitfalls
- Wireless Security
- Stories From The Road

# Simple Network Diagram

## (demonstrates a “star” topology)



# The OSI 7 Layer Model

## The Secret "Geek" Sauce

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# “Media” is at the Physical Level

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# ETHERNET

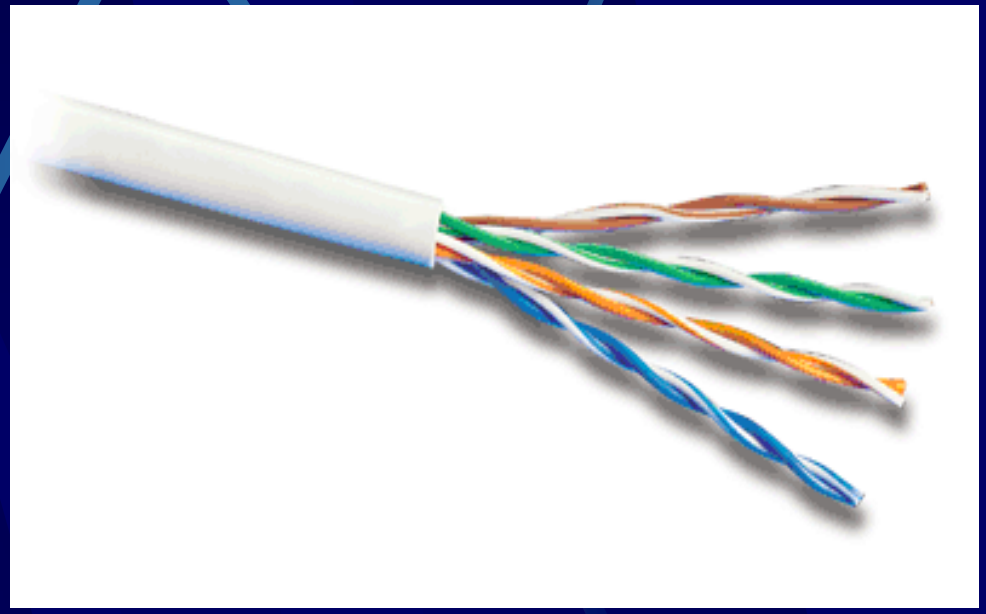
## The Road Most Traveled

- 10/100/1000 million bits/second
- data is encapsulated in packets
- packets are “addressed”
- Hardware is “addressed”
- Supports a variety of media

# UTP (Unshielded Twisted Pair)

## The "Plumbing" of Networking

- Essentially 8-wire telephone line
- Minimum Category 3 or above
- Maximum of 100 meters in length
- Maximum of 2 connections / segment
- EMI Sensitive



(Cat-5 cable w/ jacket removed)

# UTP (continued)

- Gigabit Ethernet
  - Cat 5e & Cat 6 required as a minimum
- 10Gigabit Ethernet
  - High-end Cat 5e possible
  - Cat 6 better suited
  - Fiber required for long distances(+100M)

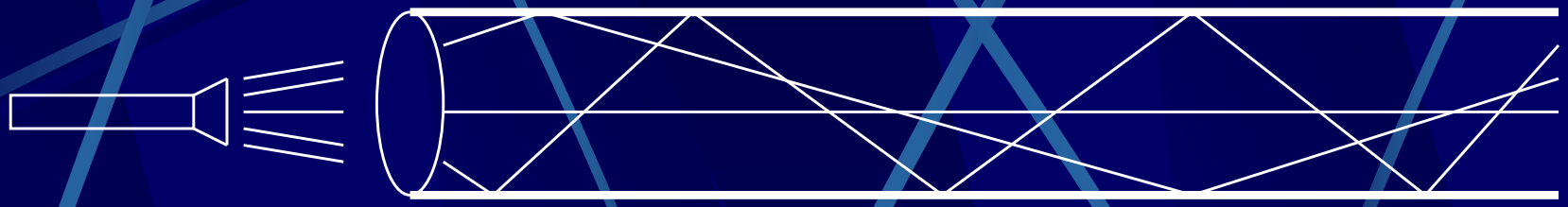
# Ethernet Media
# Fiber Optics

- Pairs of hair-like glass strands (TX & RX)
- Two propagation modes
  - Single Mode
  - Multimode
- Typically used for backbone connectivity

# Singlemode

- Extremely low signal loss, great for long distances
  - 70-100km possible
  - 10-20km typical
- High capacity

# Multimode



- Least costly
- Higher signal loss = shorter distances
  - Depending on fiber diameter and wavelength, ~1Km maximum distance
  - Special (Mode-Conditioning) patch cord required for distances over 300m

# Patch Cords
## Plugging It In!

- Standard Fiber Patch Cord
  - $10-20/foot
  - Limited to multi or single fiber only
- Mode Conditioning Fiber Patch Cord
  - $30-50/foot
  - Allows you to use cheaper multimode fiber with single mode equipment

# Building Bigger Networks at the Physical Layer

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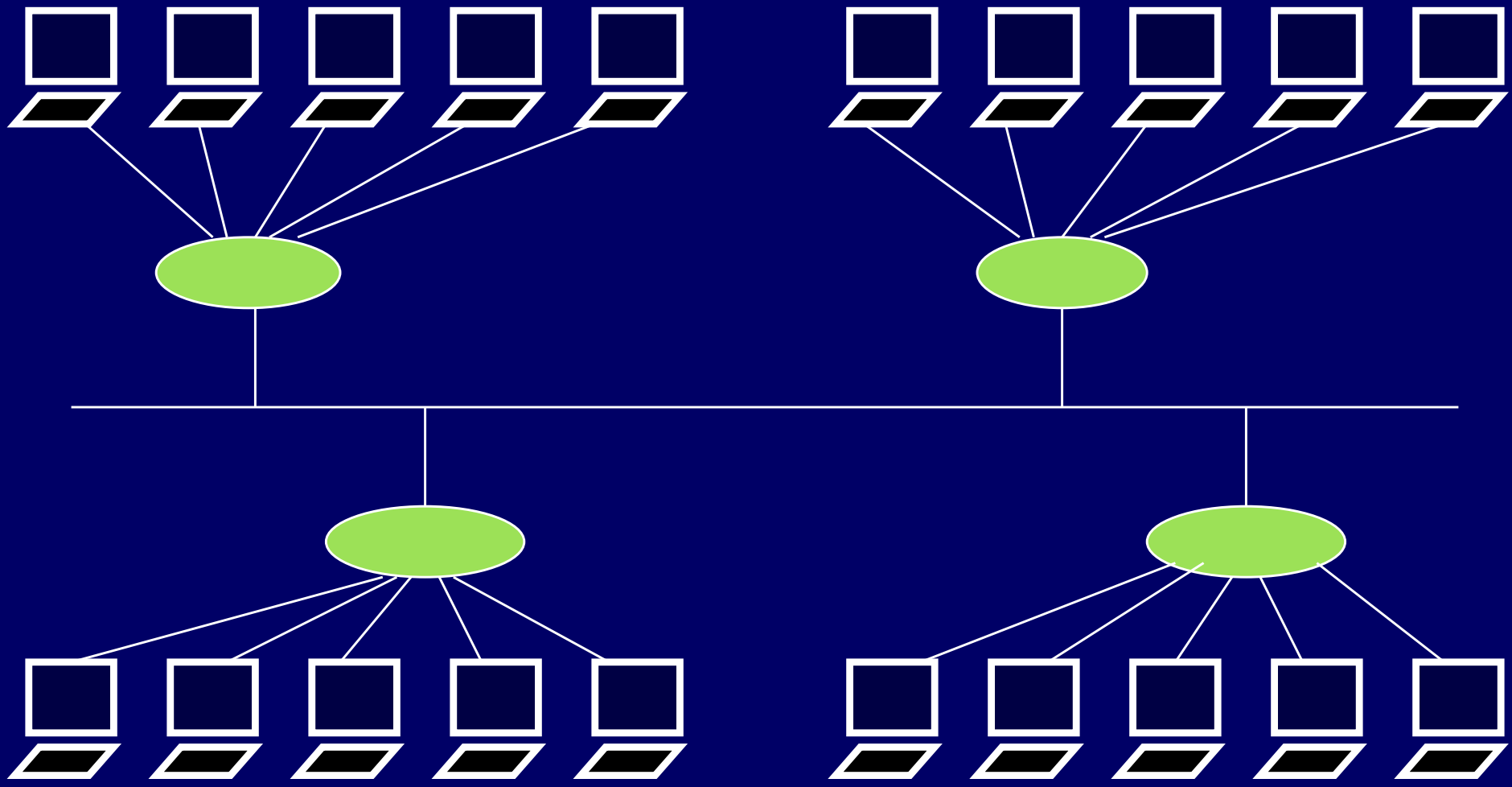
# Building Bigger Networks at the Physical Layer

- Mult-Segment networks (Lan to Lan)
  - Allows you to exceed cable restrictions
  - Allows growth
  - Isolates workgroup traffic
- Wide Area Networks (WAN)
  - Connects multiple facilities
  - Transparent to users

# HUB
## (Connecting Legacy Networks)

- Allows connection of multiple like segments
- Re-times, repeats and boosts signal
- Limit of 2 hubs between any 2 nodes
- Limit of 4 hubs on any 1 segment
- Works at physical layer (1) of OSI model
- Allows devices to be physically cabled as a “star” but functions as a “bus”
- Also called “Concentrator” or “Repeater”

# Network built with hubs



# Building bigger networks at the Data Link Layer

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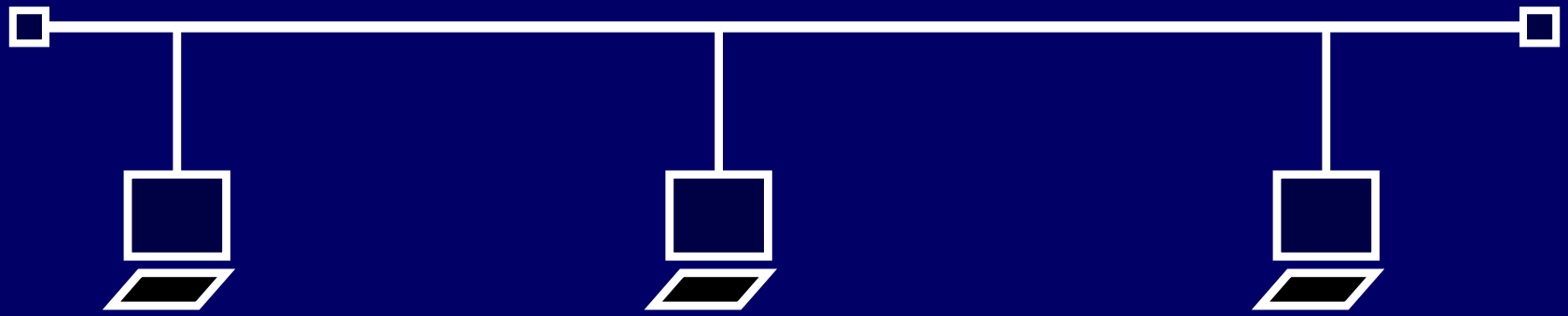
# “Logical” Network Diagram



**00-06-25-02-64-29**

WS-1

**00-06-25-02-24-40**

WS-2

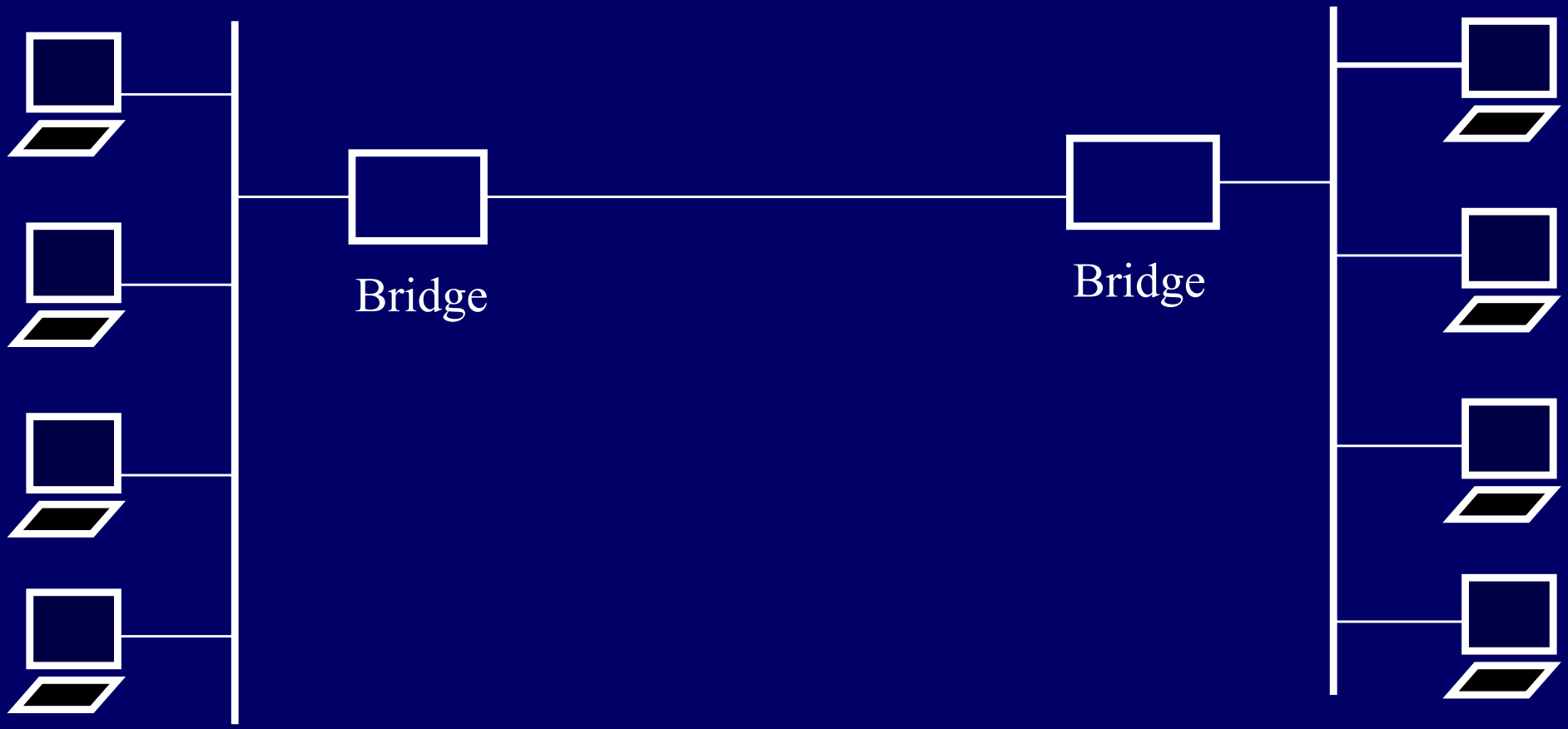
**00-AA-25-66-64-F3**

Server

# Bridges
# Networking's Border Patrol

- Allows connection of two like segments
- "Intelligent" device
- Only forwards packets if needed
- Provides MAC layer traffic management
- Functions at "Data Link" (2) layer of OSI model
- Maximum 7 bridges between any 2 nodes

# Typical Bridge Application



# Switches
## A Box of Bridges

- Designed for high speed networks
- Often performs both bridging and routing
- Switches high speed network traffic to multiple 10/100/1000 Mbps segments.
- Performs traffic management to reduce network bottlenecks.

# Switched Blades and Fabric

- Fabric
  - Combination of hardware and software
  - Devices connected to each other via switches
  - Creates multiple paths to reduce failure
- Blades
  - Fixed capacity of blades, but multiple options for each blade configuration
  - Easily scalable

Example:

Blade Server

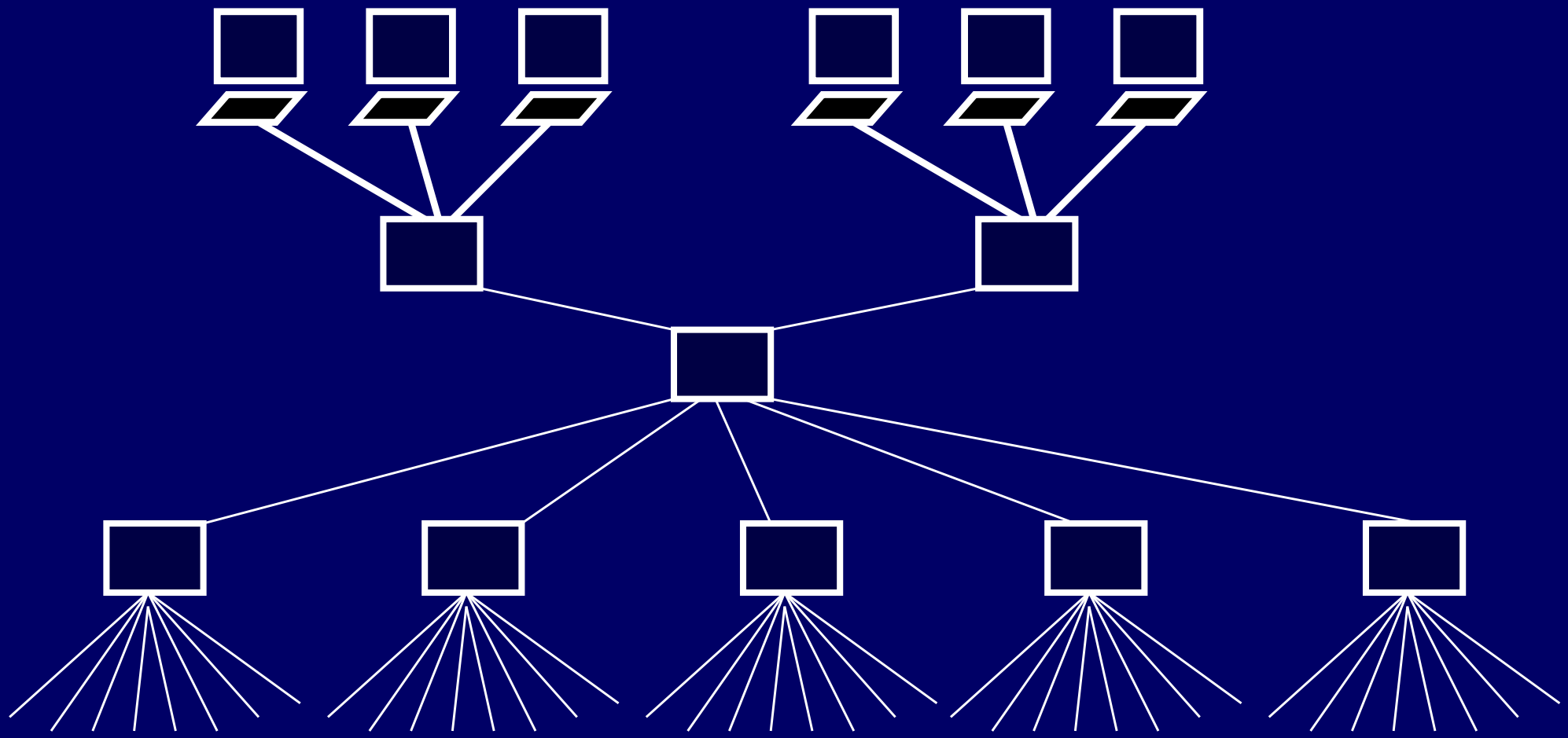
Blade 1: Fiber link

Blade 2: Ethernet switch link

Blade 3: Token Ring link

Blade 4: Fiber Channel SAN link

# Network built with switches



# Packet Structure *

| 802.3 destination 6 bytes | source 6 bytes | length 2 bytes | data 46-1500 |
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# Typical Ethernet Packet

## (Hex dump)

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00 CA 00 14 40 48 00 AA 00 37 EF 40 08
00 A5 00 00 29 01 A3 00 00 FF C6 E2 B4
C7 F2 A3 90 C7 F2 A4 01 04 ED AC ED 01
00 E8 18 0F EE D7 89 50 18 07 FF BC A4
00 00 41 00 00 00 00 00
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## (Hex dump)

00 AA 00 14 40 48 — Destination MAC Address

00 AA 00 37 0F 40 — Source Mac Address

08 — Type

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C7 F2 A3 90 C7 F2 A4 01 04 0A 00 17 01

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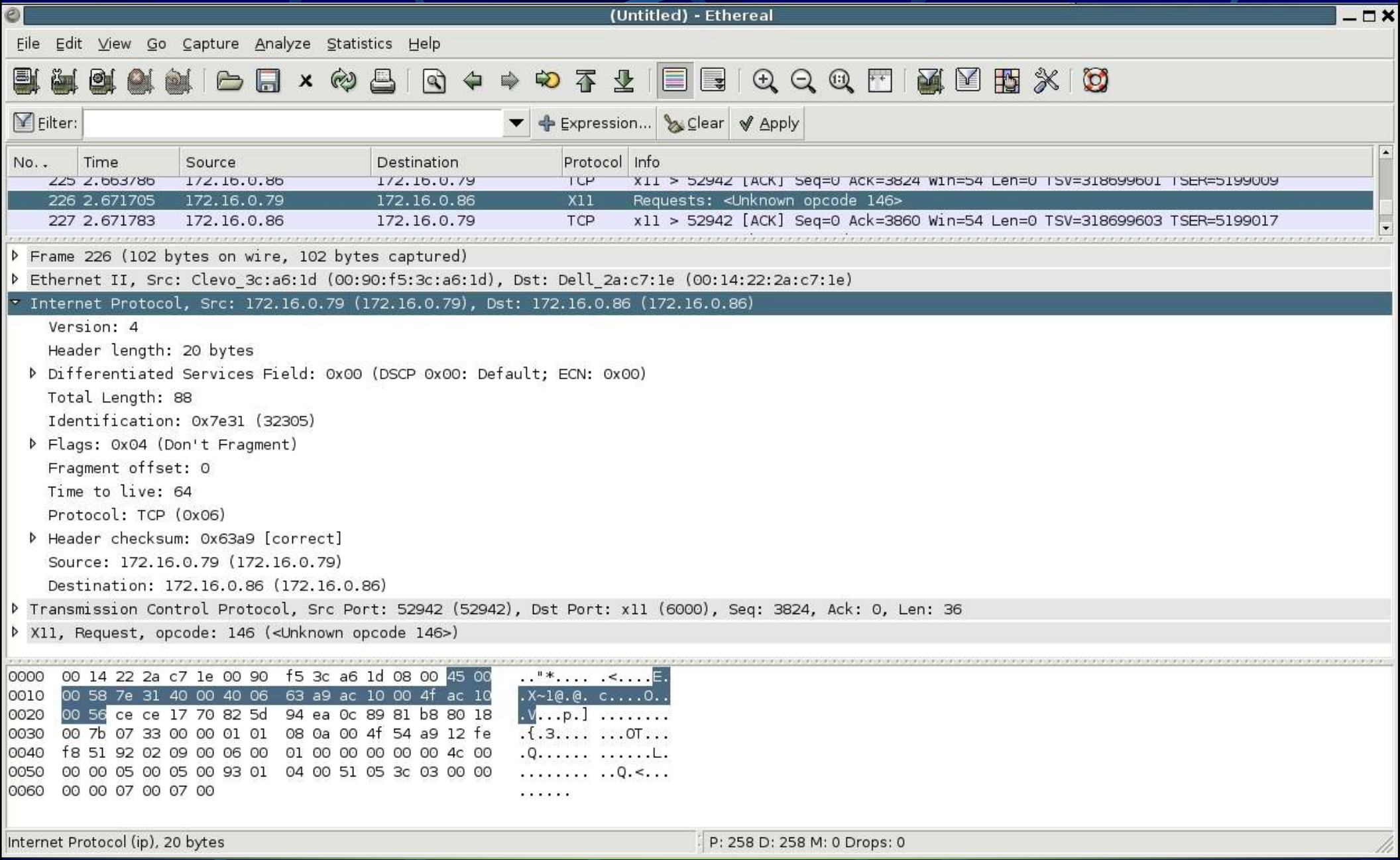
# Capturing Packets
## Network "Eavesdropping"

- A piece of software called a Packet Sniffer is used to capture packets.

Examples:

- Ethereal (Now WireShark) It's Free!
- Sniffer
- WildPackets
- EtherSnoop

# Ethereal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225 2.663786 172.16.0.86 172.16.0.79 TCP X11 > 52942 [ACK] Seq=0 Ack=3824 Win=54 Len=0 TSV=318699601 TSER=5199009
226 2.671705 172.16.0.79 172.16.0.86 X11 Requests: <Unknown opcode 146>
227 2.671783 172.16.0.86 172.16.0.79 TCP x11 > 52942 [ACK] Seq=0 Ack=3860 Win=54 Len=0 TSV=318699603 TSER=5199017
Frame 226 (102 bytes on wire, 102 bytes captured)
Ethernet II, Src: Clevo_3c:a6:1d (00:90:f5:3c:a6:1d), Dst: Dell_2a:c7:1e (00:14:22:2a:c7:1e)
Internet Protocol, Src: 172.16.0.79 (172.16.0.79), Dst: 172.16.0.86 (172.16.0.86)
Version: 4
Header length: 20 bytes
Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP 0x00: Default; ECN: 0x00)
Total Length: 88
Identification: 0x7e31 (32305)
Flags: 0x04 (Don't Fragment)
Fragment offset: 0
Time to live: 64
Protocol: TCP (0x06)
Header checksum: 0x63a9 [correct]
Source: 172.16.0.79 (172.16.0.79)
Destination: 172.16.0.86 (172.16.0.86)
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 52942 (52942), Dst Port: x11 (6000), Seq: 3824, Ack: 0, Len: 36
X11, Request, opcode: 146 (<Unknown opcode 146>)
0000 00 14 22 2a c7 1e 00 90 f5 3c a6 1d 08 00 45 00 ..*.... .<....E.
0010 00 58 7e 31 40 00 40 06 63 a9 ac 10 00 4f ac 10 .X~1@.@. c....O..
0020 00 56 ce ce 17 70 82 5d 94 ea 0c 89 81 b8 80 18 .V...p.] ........
0030 00 7b 07 33 00 00 01 01 08 0a 00 4f 54 a9 12 fe .{.3.... ...OT...
0040 f8 51 92 02 09 00 06 00 01 00 00 00 00 00 4c 00 .Q...... ......L.
0050 00 00 05 00 05 00 93 01 04 00 51 05 3c 03 00 00 ........ ..Q.<...
0060 00 00 07 00 07 00 ......
Internet Protocol (ip), 20 bytes
P: 258 D: 258 M: 0 Drops: 0

# Building bigger networks at the Network level

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# Routers
# Networking's "Mailman"

- Adds layer of responsibility
- Allows connection of same or different types of segments
- Routes packets based on network protocol
- Functions at "Network" (3) layer of OSI model
- Must specifically support protocol(s)
- Virtually "unlimited" routers allowed between any 2 nodes.
- Slower, 10-200 microseconds latency compared to switches at 200-300 nanoseconds; not very noticeable

# Routers

- Core Routers
  - Higher end routers
  - Able to move large amounts of data internal to your network
- Edge Routers
  - High end routers
  - Best suited for placement at the “edge” of your network.
  - Able to move large amounts of data

# Routing vs. Switching

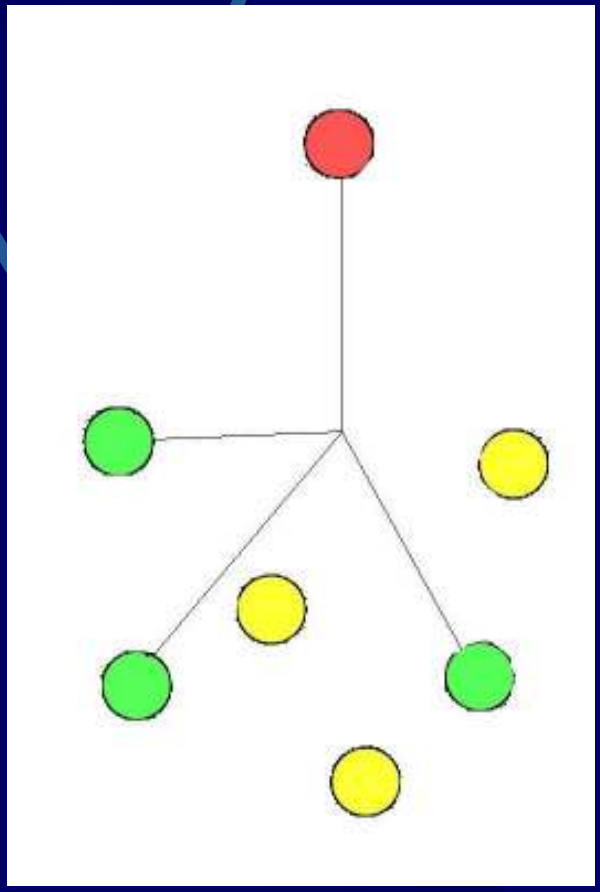
- Search based
- Fast
- Able to dynamically change paths
- Layer 3
- Best for joining two or more networks
- More expensive
- Limit broadcast domains

- Routing software in every switch in the network
- Index based
- Fast
- Layer 2, layer 3 possible.
- Layer 3 switches function much like routers
- Cheap

# Multicast Communication

## Networking's "Party Line" via Routers

- Send one copy and the subscribers all receive it
- Allows for an unknown number of receivers
- Sender only initiates one stream of data, the router controls where the data is going next
- More efficient than unicasting (sending each recipient requires another copy/transmission)
- Excellent for video conferences



# The "IP" of TCP/IP
## (Transmission Control Protocol / Internet Protocol)

- A protocol that routes data
- Not responsible for logical errors
- Common Protocol for Novell, Meditech, VAX and many other systems
- The Internet's protocol
- Designed for easy routing

# Typical Ethernet Packet

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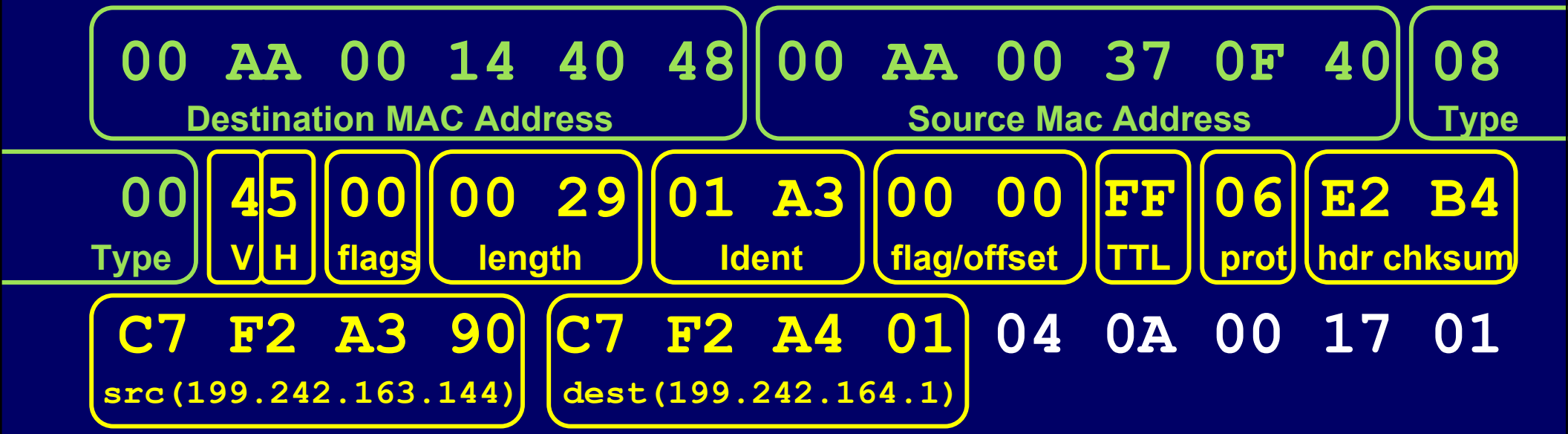


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# “TCP” of TCP/IP is at the Transport level

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# The “TCP” of TCP/IP

- Operates at Transport Layer (layer 4)
- TCP - Transmission Control Protocol
- Guarantees reliable transmission of data stream over IP between two computers
- Some error checking built in

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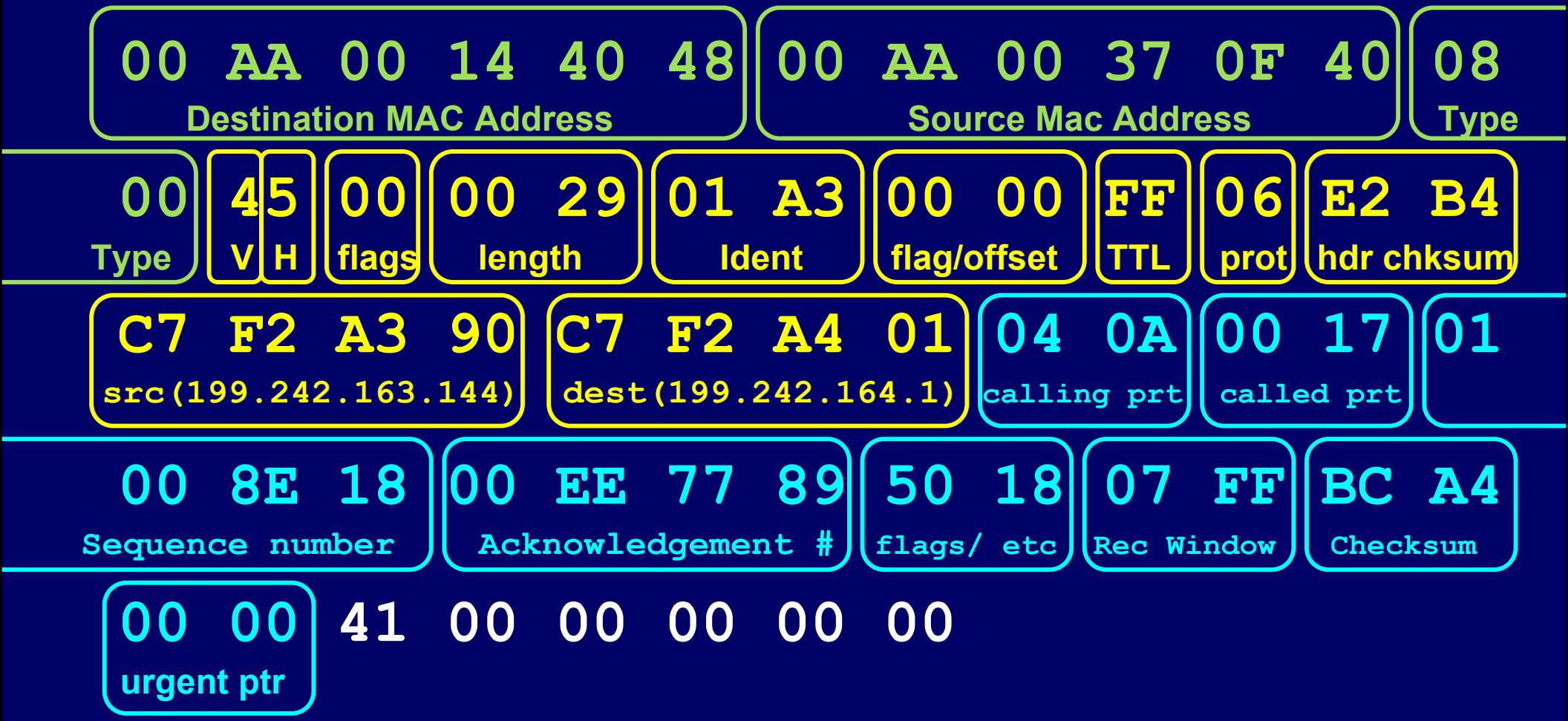

# Layer 4 Switching
## Playing Favorites

- Uses TCP port information to enhance routing decisions
- Can give traffic priority based on the port
- Prioritizing certain ports can alleviate painful network congestion

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# Protocols on Your MEDITECH System

- Telnet
- LPR/LPD
- FTP

# How does TCP/IP work

- Every network has an address “space”
- Every computer has a specific IP address
- The IP protocol routes packets from the transmitting machine to the receiving machine
- The TCP protocol breaks “message” to manageable packets
- The TCP protocol ensures an accurate stream of data packets

# Address Format

- All addresses are considered to be in two parts
- First part is “Network Address”
  - Assigned by the NIC
  - Determines size of net
- Last part is “Local Address”
  - Administered by network owner
- Addresses are Classified A,B,C,D,E

# Subnetting Example

- Class B address subnetted into 254 class C addresses.

| 130 192 | 200 | 182 |
|---|---|---|
| network | sub net | host |

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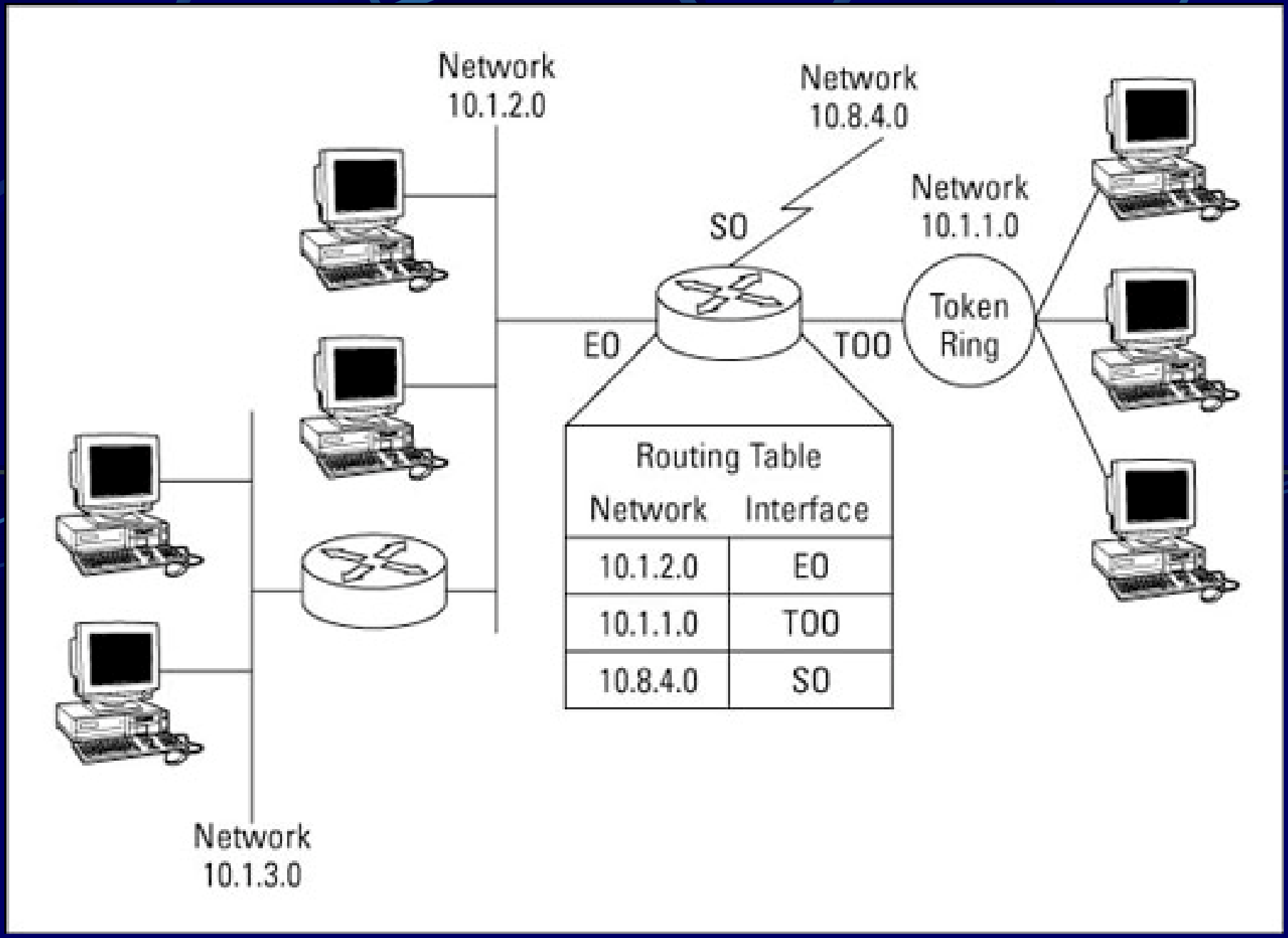
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| addr | 1000 1100 | 1100 0000 | 1100 1000 | 1011 0110 | (130.192.200.182) |
| mask | 1111 1111 | 1111 1111 | 1111 1111 | 0000 0000 | (255.255.255.0) |

# IP Routing

- Transmission of datagram from one node to another on the same or different network
- Two Types -
  - Local - destination on same network
  - Remote - destination on different network
- Net Mask is used to determine if destination is on the same net.

# Routing on Class A Network



# Wireless Networking
## Can you hear me now?

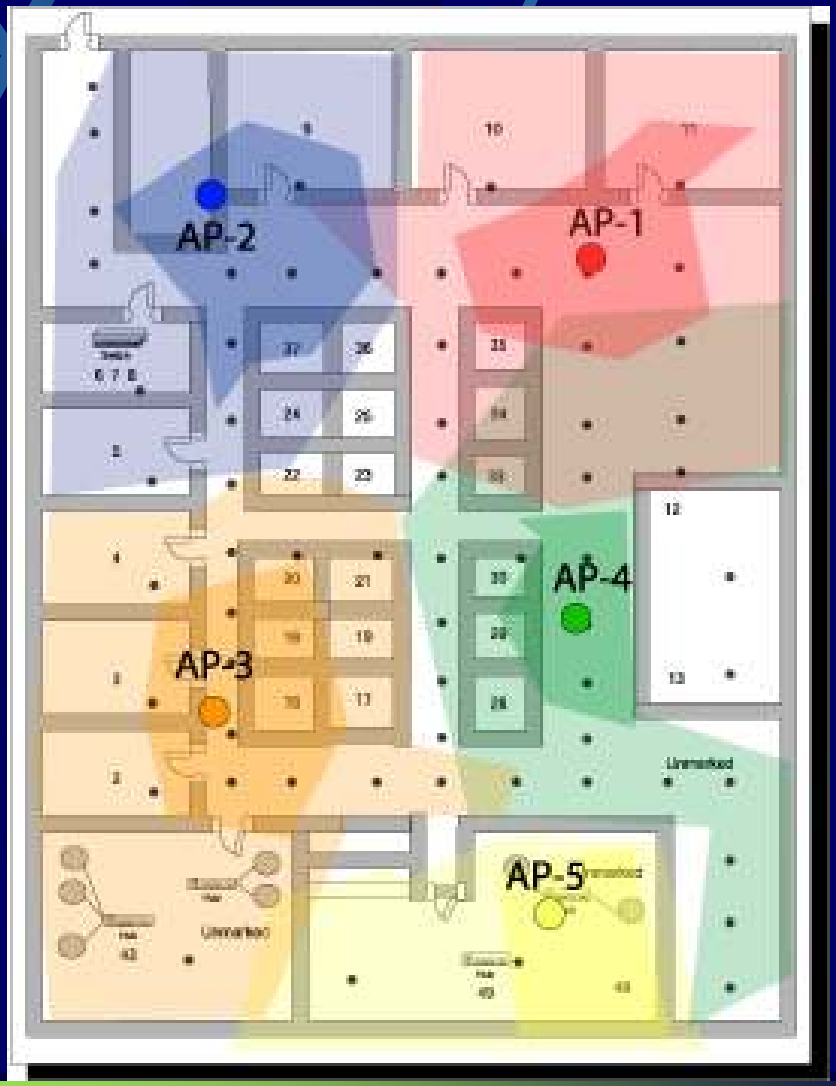
- Most common is 802.11b/g (2.4Ghz)
- Less common is 802.11a (5.8Ghz)
- 11/54 Megabits in theory
- EMI Sensitive (Very)
- Usually implemented with an "Access Point"
- Very insecure "out of the box"

# Wireless Survey
## Save yourself some pain!

- Initial Survey
  - Establish location of AP's
  - Evaluate network coverage
  - Evaluate user needs/security
- Periodic surveys
  - Discover rogue wireless devices
  - Evaluate network coverage
    - Weak areas for signal increase
    - Strong areas for signal decrease to prevent unwanted coverage
  - Test security measures

# Wireless Survey (continued)

Your individual survey will show your weak and strong areas. Walls, doors, pipes, ducts, windows, any large object can have an effect on your wireless coverage.



# Wireless Survey (continued)

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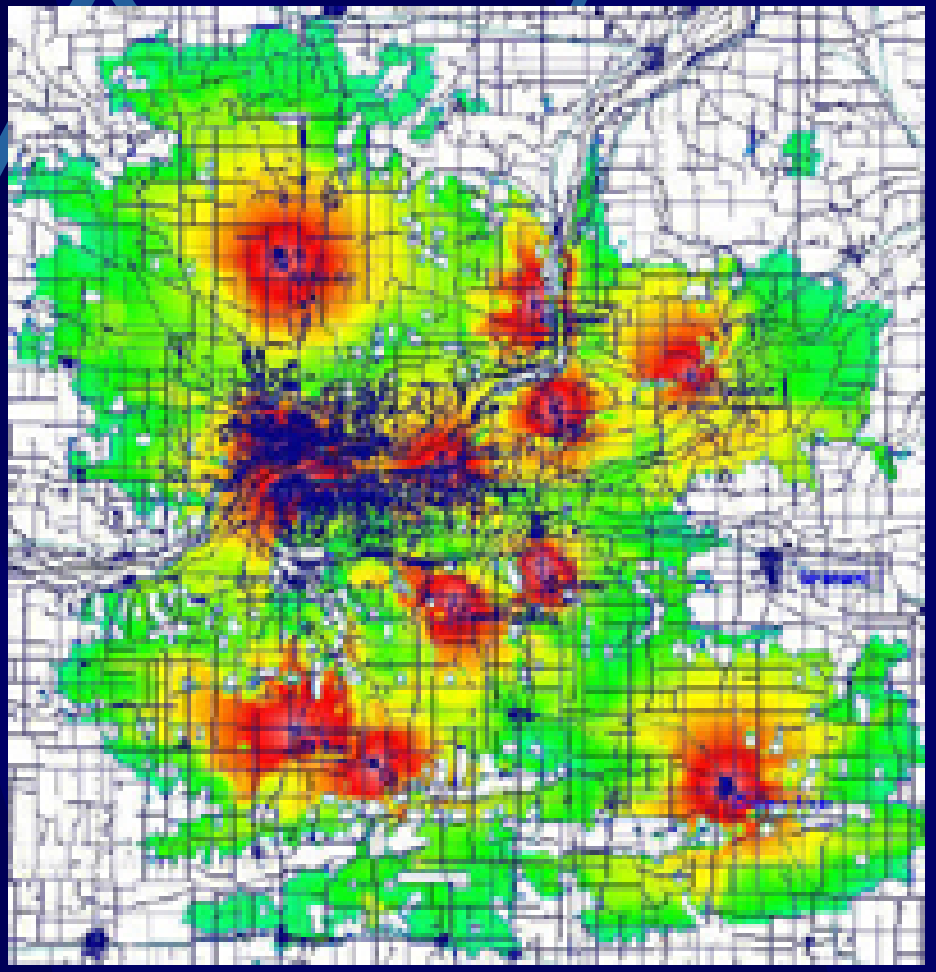

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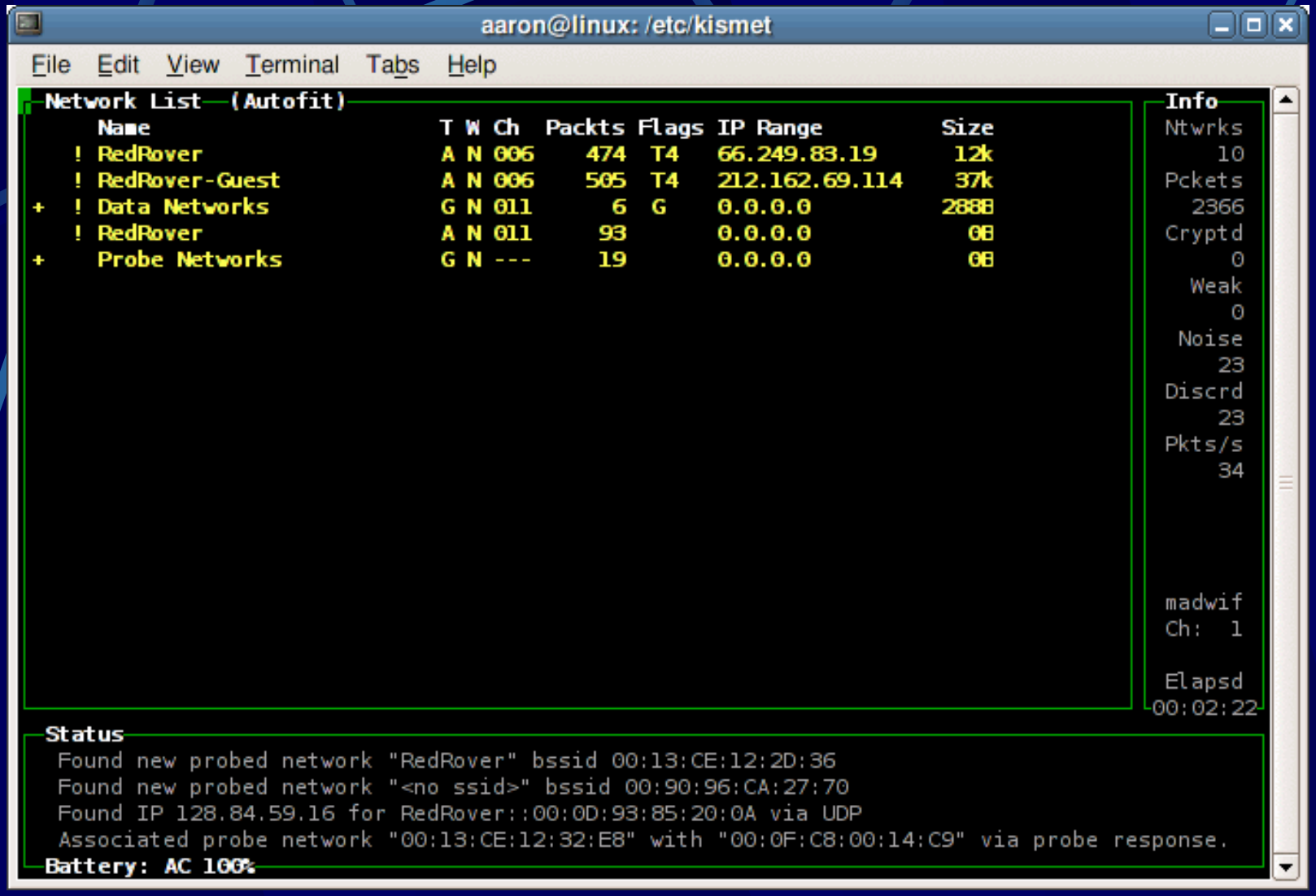
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Network List (Autofit)
Name T W Ch Packts Flags IP Range Size
! RedRover A N 006 474 T4 66.249.83.19 12k
! RedRover-Guest A N 006 505 T4 212.162.69.114 37k
+ ! Data Networks G N 011 6 G 0.0.0.0 288B
! RedRover A N 011 93 0.0.0.0 0B
+ Probe Networks G N --- 19 0.0.0.0 0B
Info
Ntwrks 10
Pckets 2366
Cryptd 0
Weak 0
Noise 23
Discrd 23
Pkts/s 34
madwif
Ch: 1
Elapsd
00:02:22
Status
Found new probed network "RedRover" bssid 00:13:CE:12:2D:36
Found new probed network "<no ssid>" bssid 00:90:96:CA:27:70
Found IP 128.84.59.16 for RedRover::00:0D:93:85:20:0A via UDP
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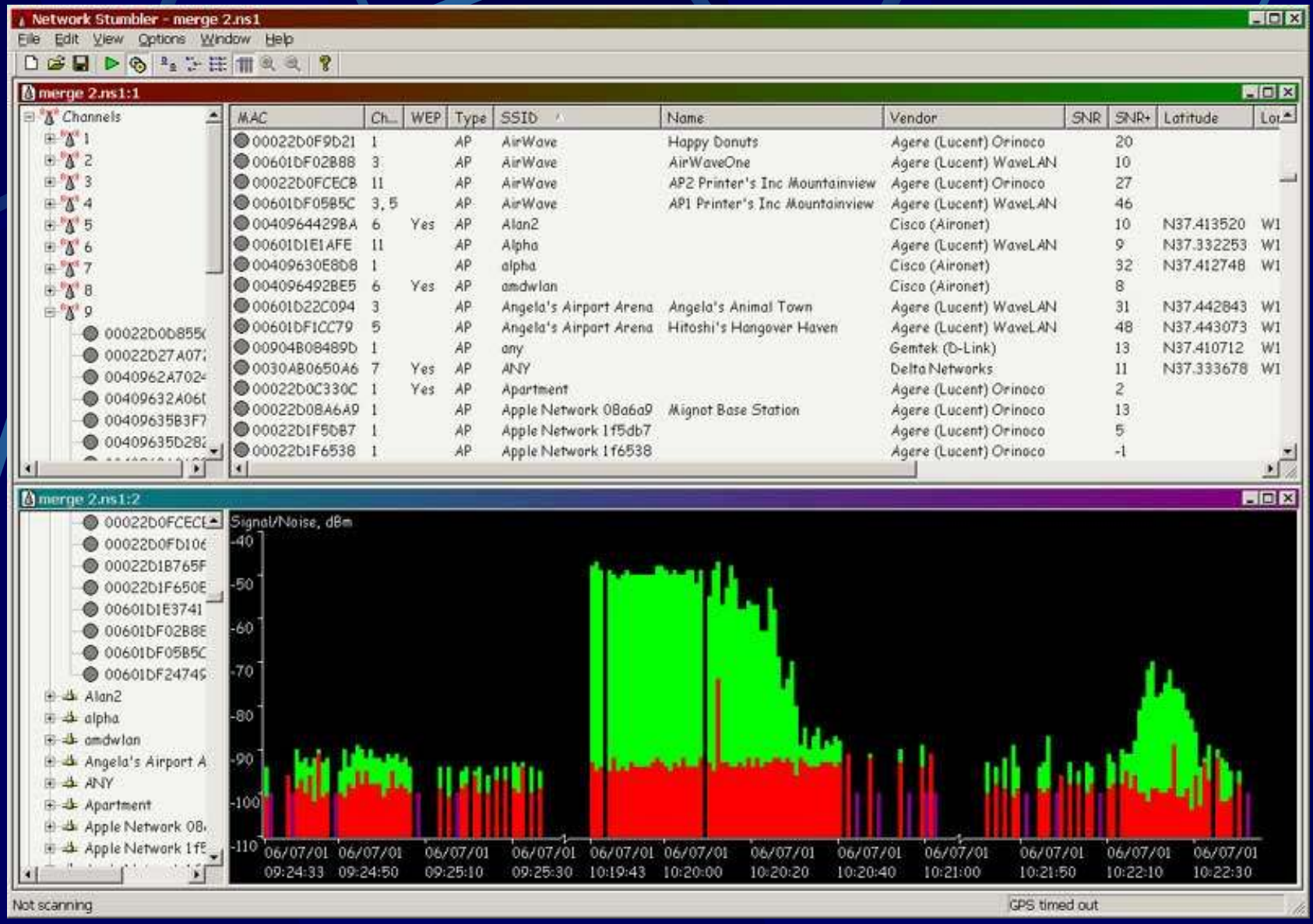
# Netstumbler



# Wireless Pitfalls

- No barrier to entry (no wall jack to find)
- Inclement weather causes signal degradation
- 802.11b/g fair range, relatively cheap, many devices at same frequency
  - (microwave ovens, cordless phones, security radios/monitors)
- 802.11a shorter range, higher cost, fewer devices at same frequency

# Wireless Security

- WEP, Wired Equivalent Privacy
  - RC4 Algorithm
  - Easily compromised, suitable for home networks
- WPA, Wi-Fi Protected Access
  - RC4 Algorithm
  - Pre-shared Key or 802.1x authentication
  - Much more secure when Radius is used
- WPA2, Wi-Fi Protected Access 2
  - AES-based algorithm
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# Stories from the Road