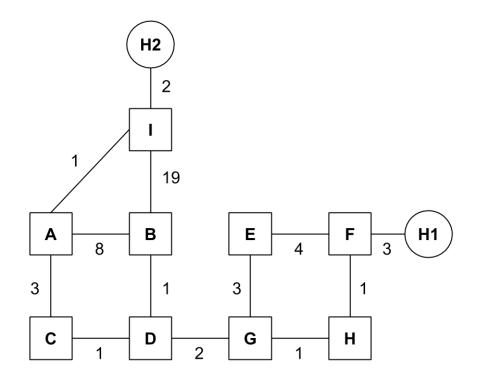
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1 Link-State Routing



For this problem, assume the network is running a link state routing protocol, minimizing total route latency. The following questions indicate events that happen consecutively.

1. After convergence, what route does Router D think its packet will take to Host H1?

Solution: $D \to G \to H \to F \to H1$

EVENT: Link GH goes down.

2. Router G and Router H have recomputed their routes, but have not yet sent updates to other routers. What route does Router D think its packet will take to Host H1?

Solution: Same, $D \rightarrow G \rightarrow H \rightarrow F \rightarrow H1$

3. What route does it actually take?

Solution: $D \rightarrow G \rightarrow E \rightarrow F \rightarrow H1$

4. Assume all nodes are now aware of the new network state and have recomputed their routes. What route does a packet take from **Router B** to **Host H2**?

Solution: $B \rightarrow D \rightarrow C \rightarrow A \rightarrow I \rightarrow H2$

EVENT: The cost of link AI increases to 100.

5. Router A and Router I recompute their routes, but have not yet sent updates to other routers. What route does Router A think its packet will take to Host H2?

Solution: $A \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \rightarrow B \rightarrow I \rightarrow H2$

6. What route does it actually take?

Solution: $A \rightarrow C \rightarrow A$ (*loop*)

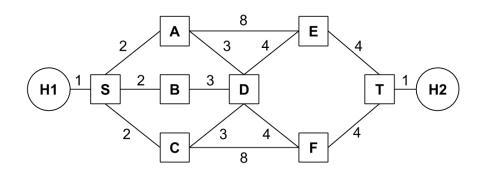
7. Which additional routers must receive the routing updates and recompute their routes for all routers to be able to successfully send packets to **Host H2**?

Solution: Router B, Router C, Router D

8. All routers except **Router B** have received the routing updates and recomputed their routes. Which routers can successfully send packets to **Host H2**?

Solution: None of the routers (except Router I)

2 L3 Link State Routing Extra Problem



Suppose we have an L3 network with the topology shown above, and the routing algorithm used is link state.

1. After convergence, what is the path cost from H1 to H2, and what are all the possible paths with this cost?

Solution: The cost is 15. All paths are $H1 \rightarrow S \rightarrow [A, B, C] \rightarrow D \rightarrow [E, F] \rightarrow T \rightarrow H2$.

2. Suppose that a control message (a message used by the routing algorithm) takes 1 second to propagate along a link, regardless of link cost. What individual link failure inside the network would cause the longest delay to reconvergence, and what is that delay?

Solution: A link SB failure would cause a 3 second delay. The last node that learns about the failure is node T, and the update must traverse through at least 3 links to get to T, which will take 3 seconds. Any other link failure within the network can propagate to every other node in less than 3 seconds. Host links could also take 3 seconds to propagate.

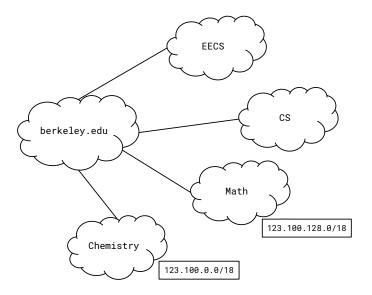
- 3. Suppose you have the ability to take down individual nodes. Which nodes would you take down in order to partition the network? If you can't partition the network, which nodes would you take down to increase path costs from H1 to H2 maximally? In each part, suppose you can take down:
 - (a) a single node (excluding S and T). **Solution:** D. Can't partition, and removing D increases path costs the most (by 1).
 - (b) two nodes (excluding S and T). **Solution:** E and F. Removing them will partition T from the network.
- 4. Which single link's cost (if any) should you double in order to increase the path cost from H1 to H2?

Solution: Doubling the cost of H1-S or T-H2 will increase the total path cost by 1. It's not possible with any other link, since there is always an alternate, cheaper path (see part 1).

3 IP Addressing

Suppose **berkeley.edu** is the Provider AS for EECS, CS, Math, and Chemistry, and needs to assign IPv4 addresses to them.

Assume that the CIDR (Classless InterDomain Routing) addressing scheme is used, and that **berkeley.edu** has the 123.100.0.0/16 prefix reserved.



(1) Which addresses are included in the Math department's prefix? How many addresses are in this range?

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Solution: Math's address prefix, in binary (with the prefix bolded), is:

01111011
01100100
10000000
00000000

The range of allowed addresses is thus:

01111011
01100100
10000000
00000000

...

01111011
01100100
10111111
1111111

which in decimal is [123.100.128.0, 123.100.191.255].
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If Math's prefix is 18 bits long, and IPv4 address are 32 bits long, then there are 32 - 18 = 14 bits available to uniquely identify hosts, so this prefix contains 2^{14} addresses.

(2) 123.100.192.0/18 is reserved for EECS and CS. Assign equal halves of this address space to the two departments.

(3) You want to start a new department, Floriology, and assign it an unused address range. You foresee that no more than 50 people will enroll. Assuming one address per person, what prefix would you assign to it?

Solution: A 64-address prefix will hold enough addresses for Floriology, which requires 6 bits for hosts. Thus we need a (32-6) = /26 prefix.

We have to assign a prefix that is currently unclaimed. If EECS/CS claimed 123.100.192.0/18, Math claimed 123.100.128.0/18, and Chemistry claimed 123.100.0.0/18, then only the 123.100.64.0/18 prefix is unclaimed.

Any /26 prefix in 123.100.64.0/18 will work, such as 123.100.64.0/26.