



Configuring EIGRP





EIGRP Overview

What Is EIGRP?



EIGRP supports:

- Rapid convergence
- Reduced bandwidth usage
- Multiple network-layer protocols

EIGRP Features

- **Advanced distance vector**
- **100% loop free**
- **Fast convergence**
- **Easy configuration**
- **Less network design constraints than OSPF**

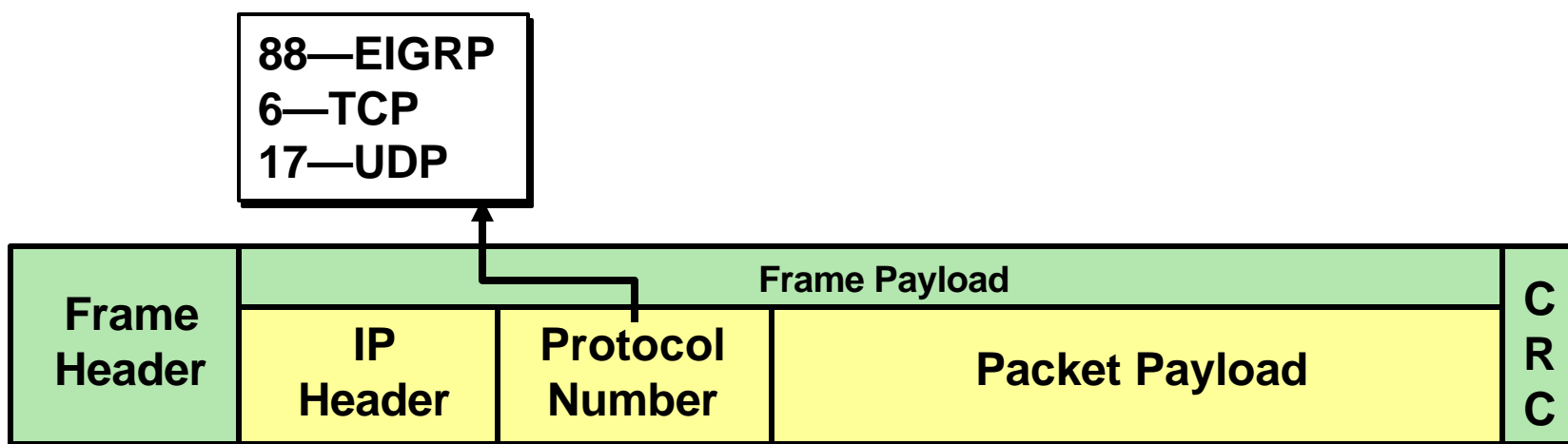
EIGRP Features (cont.)

- **Incremental updates**
- **Supports VLSM and discontinuous networks**
- **Classless routing**
- **Compatible with existing IGRP networks**
- **Protocol independent (supports IPX and AppleTalk)**

Advantages of EIGRP

- **Multicast instead of broadcast**
- **Use of link bandwidth and delay**
 - **EIGRP metric = IGRP metric x 256
(32 bit versus 24 bit)**
- **Unequal cost path load balancing**
- **More flexible than OSPF**
 - **Manual summarization can be done in any interface at any router within the network**

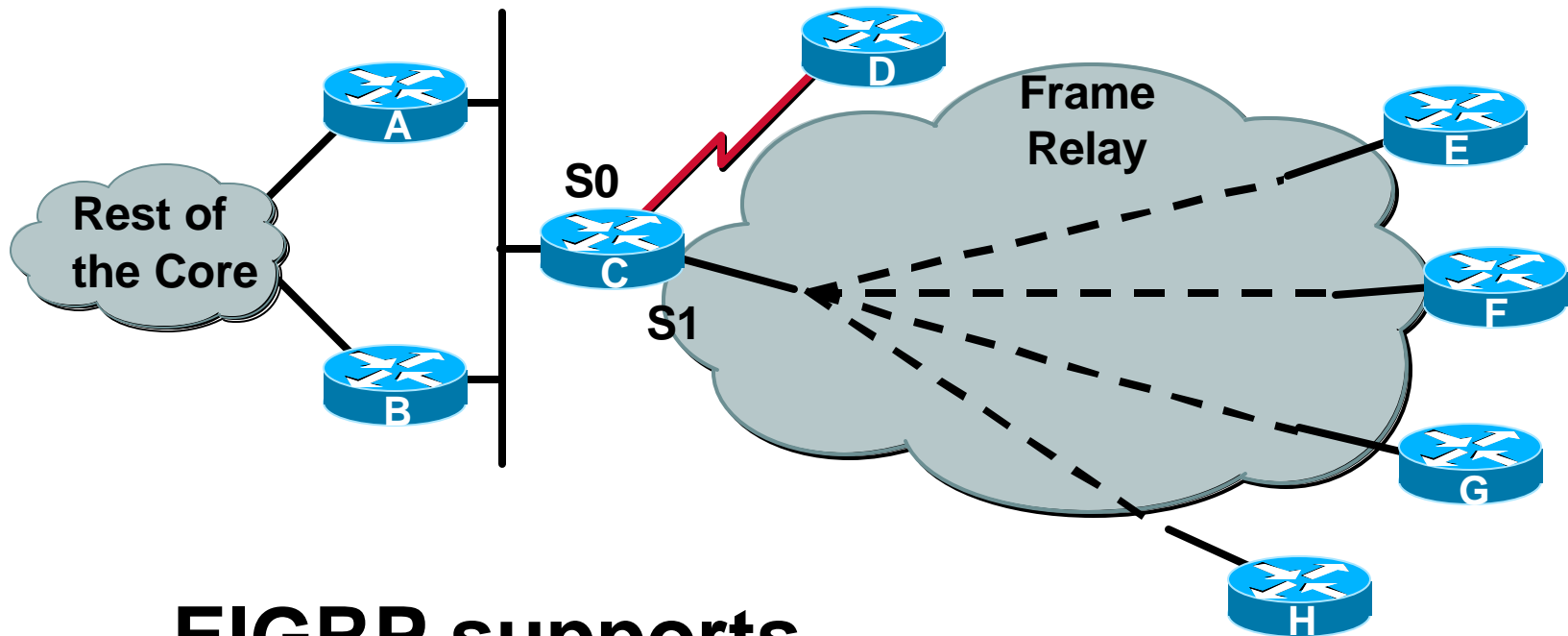
EIGRP in IP Packets



EIGRP is an advanced distance vector routing protocol:

- **Automatically establishes neighbor relationships with peer devices**
- **Relies on IP packets for delivery of routing information**

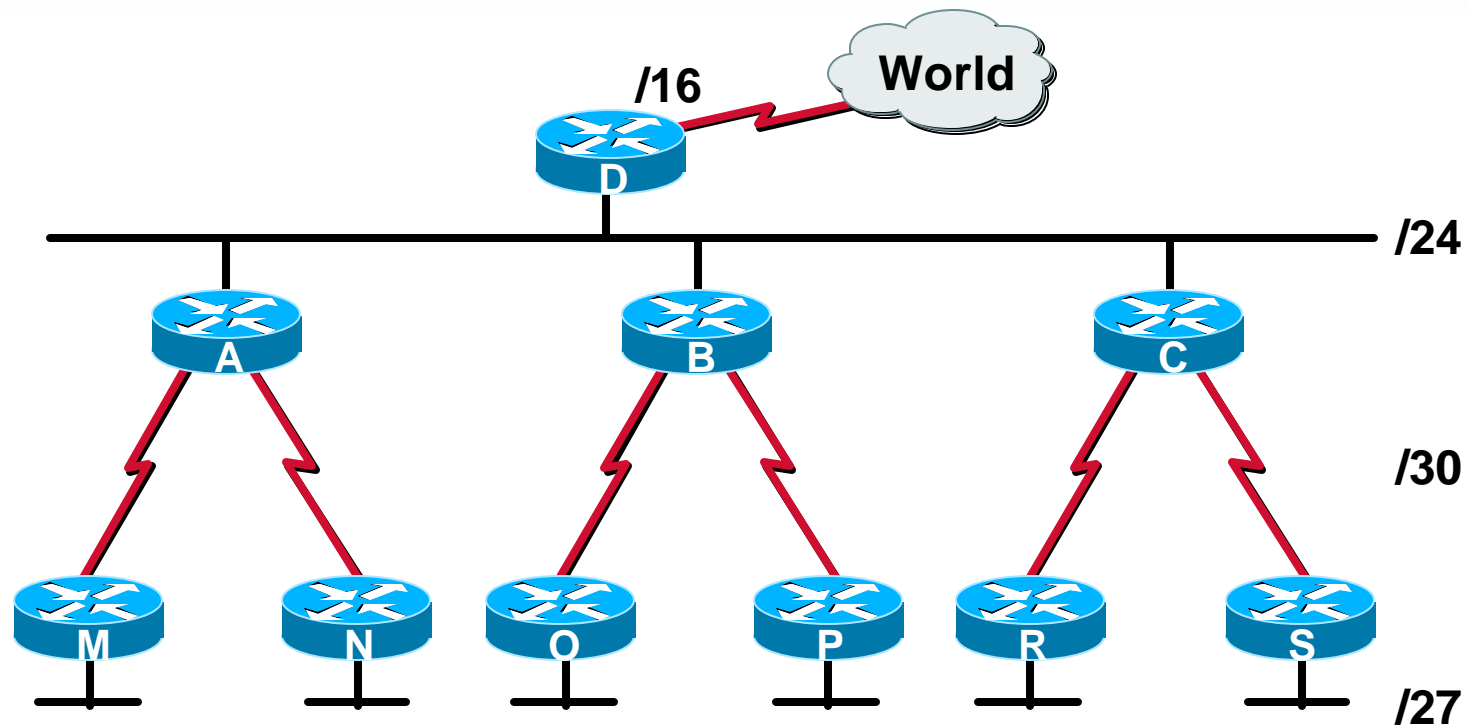
EIGRP Support for Different Topologies



EIGRP supports

- Multiaccess (LANs)
- Point-to-point (HDLC)
- NBMA (Frame Relay)

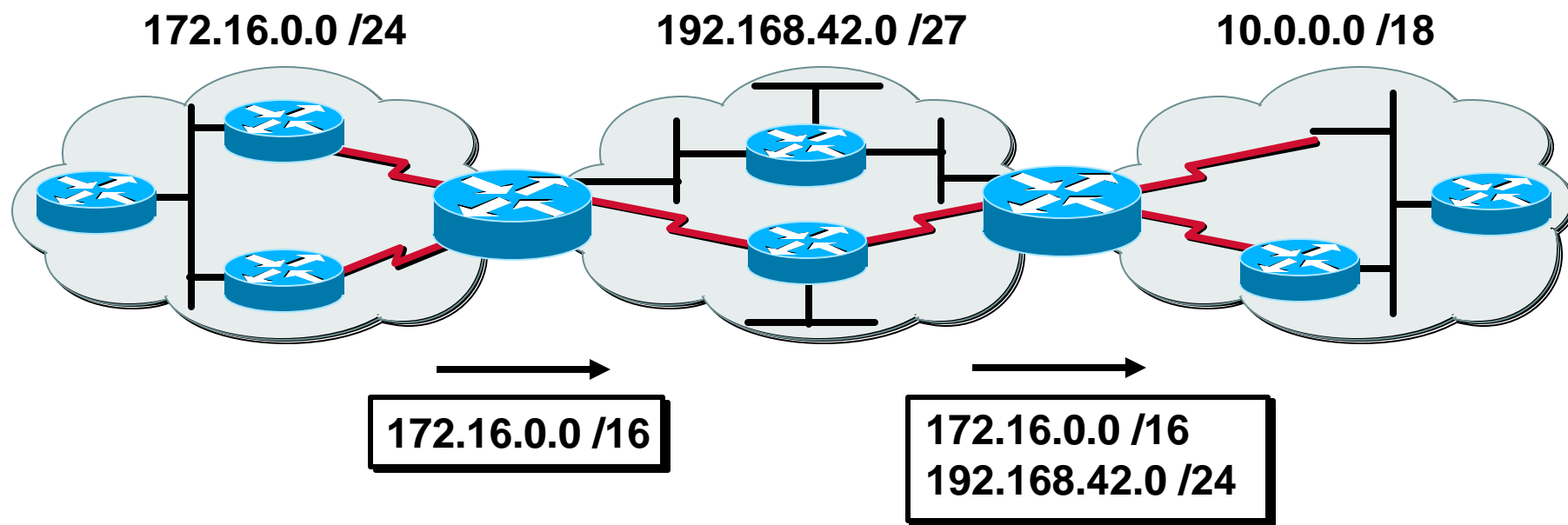
EIGRP Support for IP Addresses



EIGRP supports:

- VLSMs
- Hierarchical designs

EIGRP Support for Route Summarization



EIGRP performs route summarization

- **Classful network boundaries (default)**
- **Arbitrary network boundaries (manual)**

EIGRP Terminology

Neighbor Table—AppleTalk

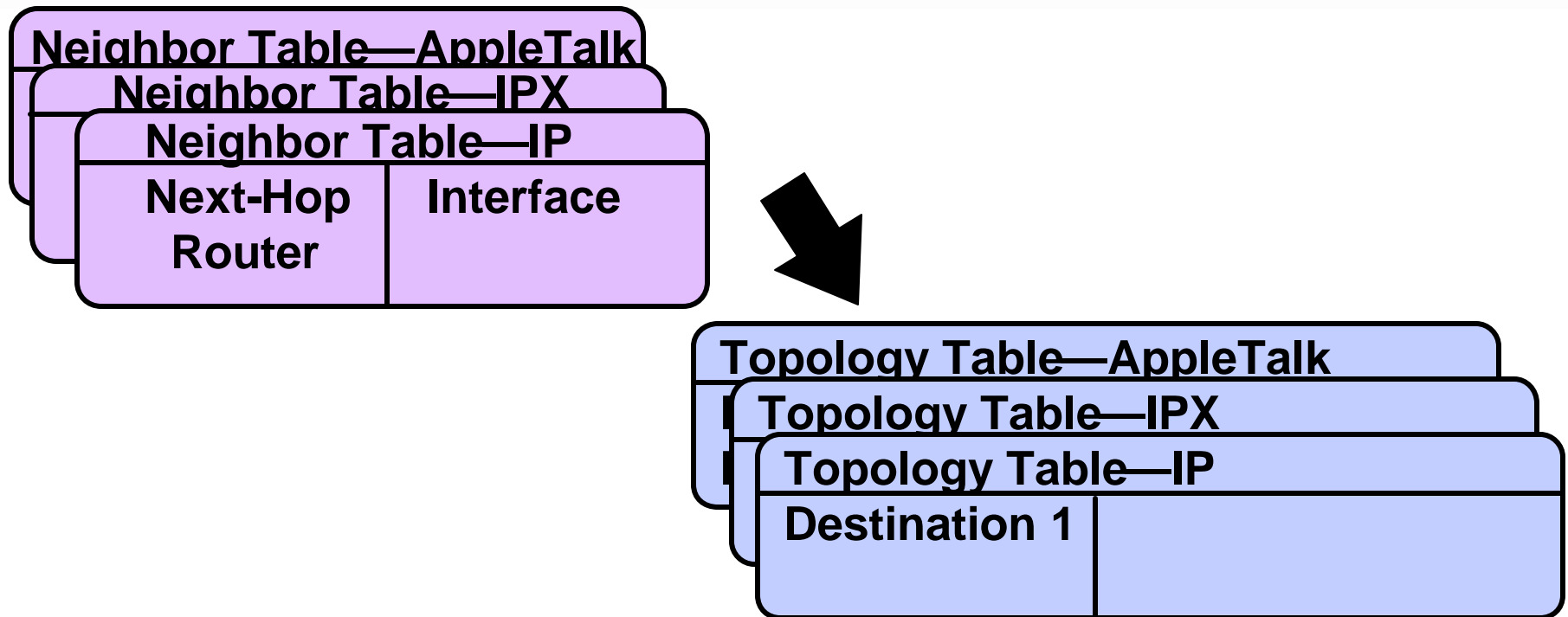
Neighbor Table—IPX

Neighbor Table—IP

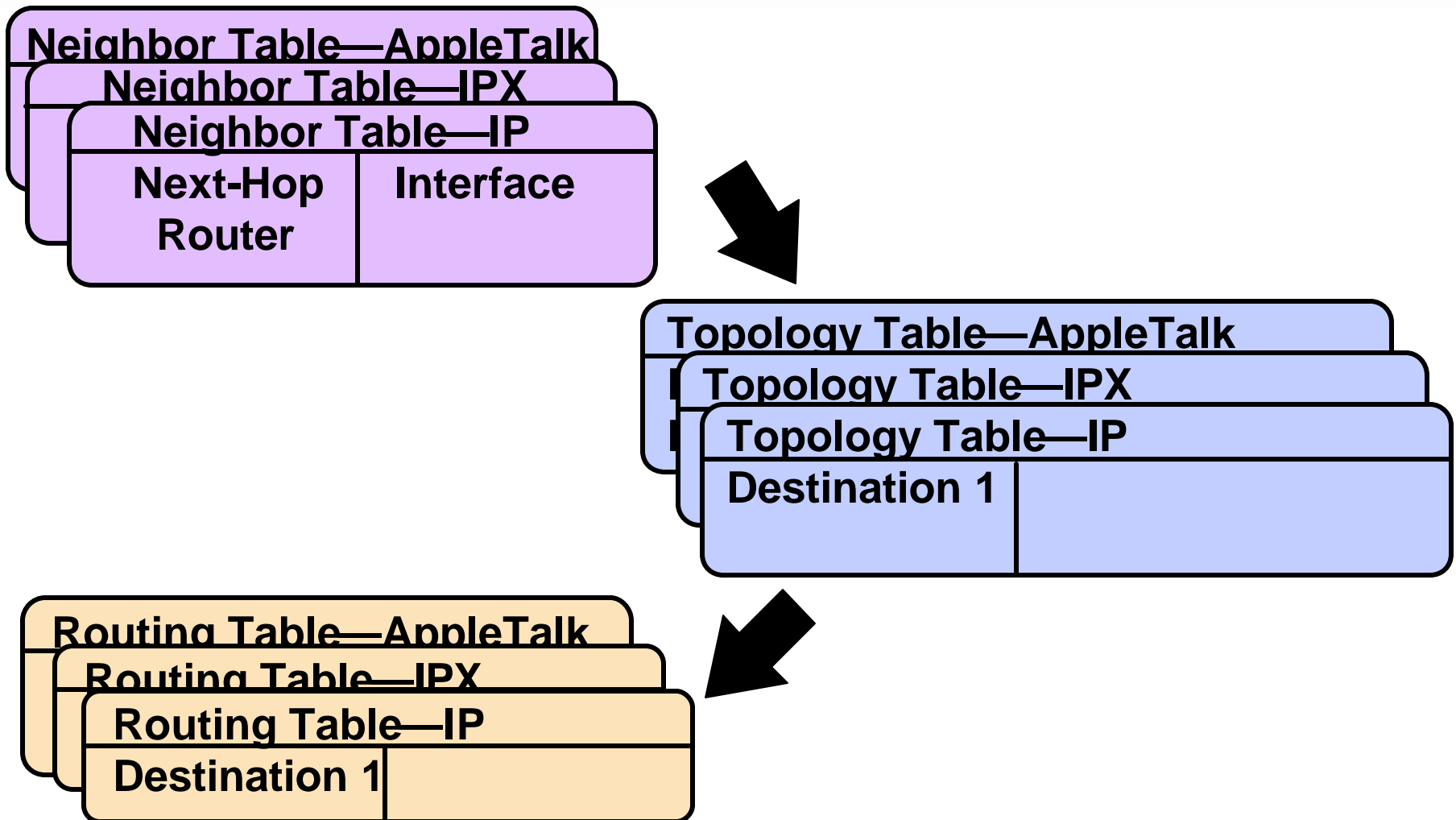
Next-Hop
Router

Interface

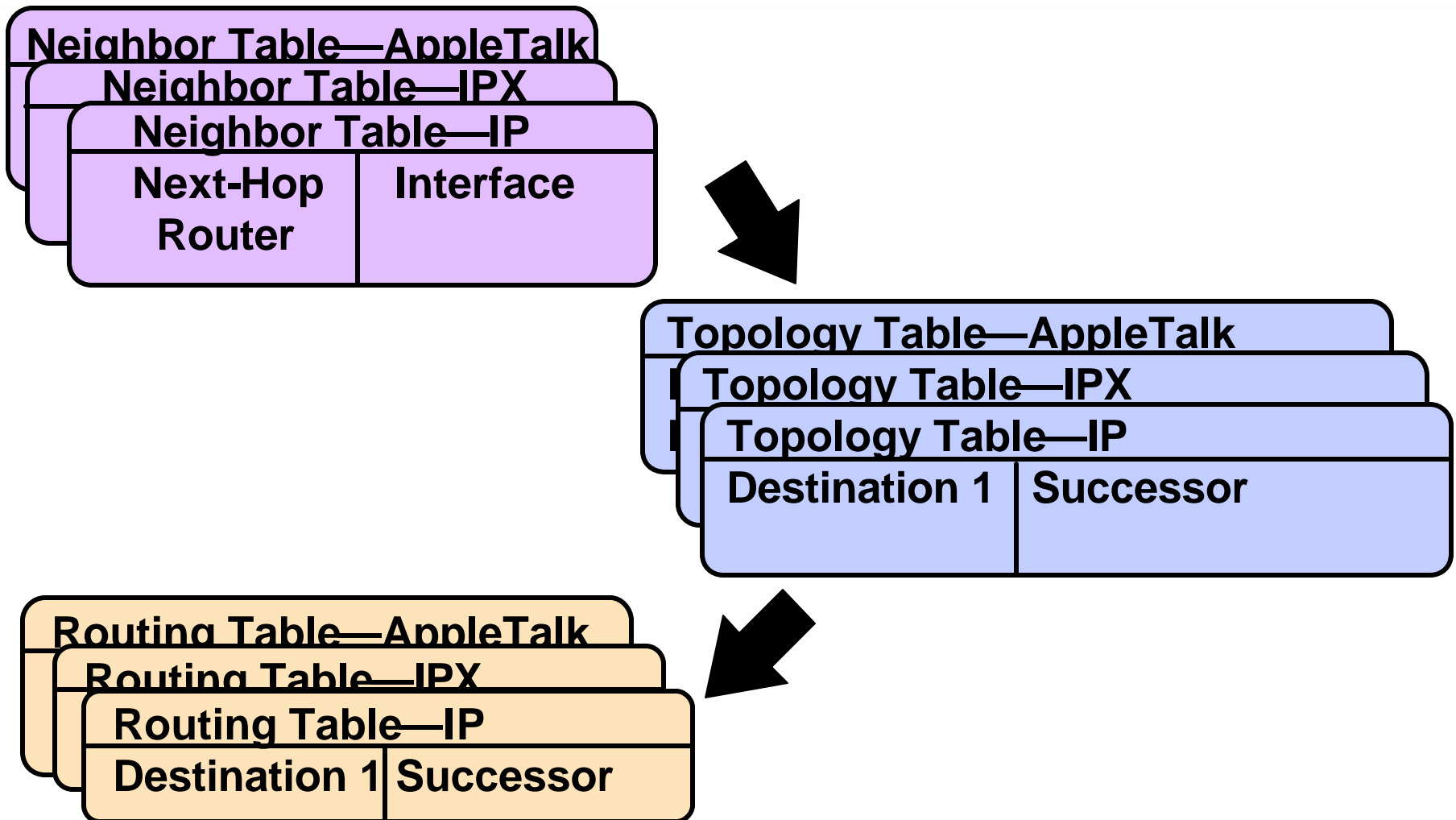
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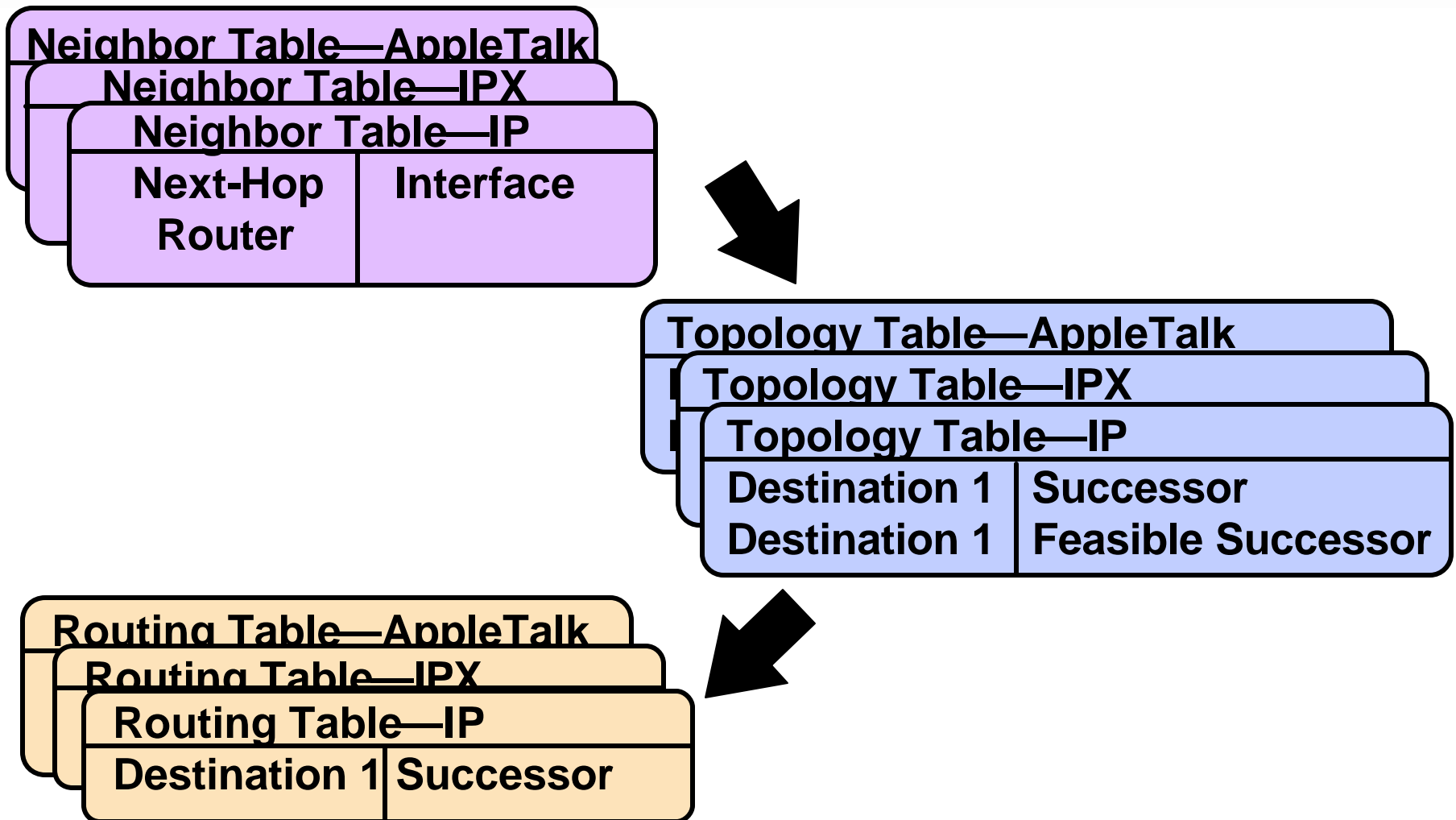
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EIGRP Operation

EIGRP Packets

- **Hello: Establish neighbor relationships**
- **Update: Send routing updates**
- **Query: Ask neighbors about routing information**
- **Reply: Response to query about routing information**
- **ACK: Acknowledgment of a reliable packet**

EIGRP Neighbor Relationship

- **Two routers become neighbors when they see each other's hello packet**
 - **Hello address = 224.0.0.10**
- **Hellos sent once every 5 seconds on the following links:**
 - **Broadcast media: Ethernet, Token Ring, FDDI**
 - **Point-to-point serial links: PPP, HDLC, point-to-point Frame Relay/ATM subinterfaces**
 - **Multipoint circuits with bandwidth **greater** than T1: ISDN PRI, SMDS, Frame Relay**

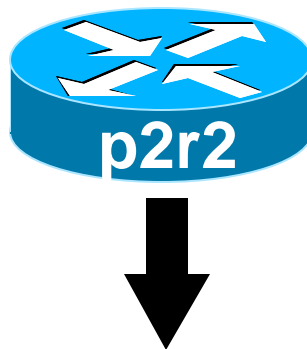
EIGRP Neighbor Relationship (cont.)

- Hellos sent once every 60 seconds on the following links:
 - Multipointcircuits with bandwidth **less** than or equal to T1: ISDN BRI, Frame Relay, SMDS, and so on
- Neighbor declared dead when no EIGRP packets are received within hold interval
- Hold time by default is three times the hello time

EIGRP Neighbor Relationship (cont.)

- **EIGRP will form neighbors even though hello time and hold time don't match**
- **EIGRP sources hello packets from primary address of the interface**
- **EIGRP will not form neighbor if K-values are mismatched**
- **EIGRP will not form neighbor if AS numbers are mismatched**

What Is in a Neighbor Table?



```
p2r2#show ip eigrp neighbors
IP-EIGRP neighbors for process 400
H Address      Interface Hold Uptime SRTT  RTO  Q  Seq
  (sec)      (ms)  Cnt Num
1 172.68.2.2   To0    13 02:15:30  8 200 0 9
0 172.68.16.2 Se1    10 02:38:29 29 200 0 6
```


EIGRP Reliability

- **EIGRP reliable packets** are packets that require explicit acknowledgment:
 - Update
 - Query
 - Reply
- **EIGRP unreliable packets** are packets that do not require explicit acknowledgment:
 - Hello
 - ACK

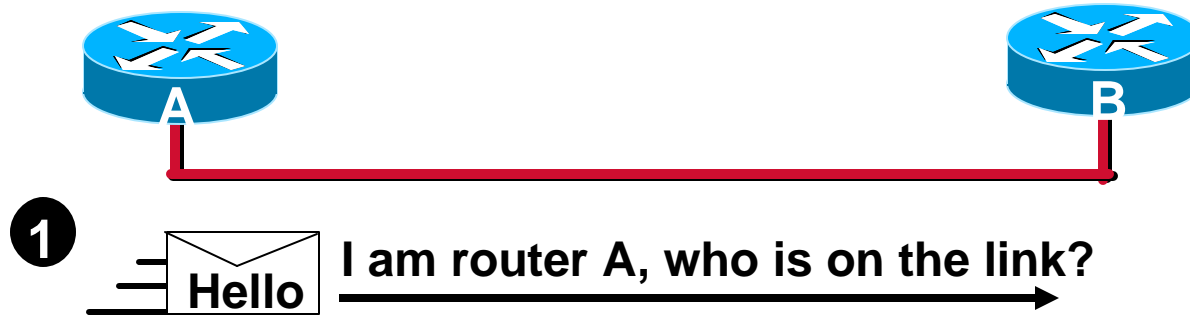
EIGRP Reliability (cont.)

- **The router keeps a neighbor list and a retransmission list for every neighbor**
- **Each reliable packet (update, query, reply) will be retransmitted when packet is not acknowledged**
- **Neighbor relationship is reset when retry limit (limit = 16) for reliable packets is reached**

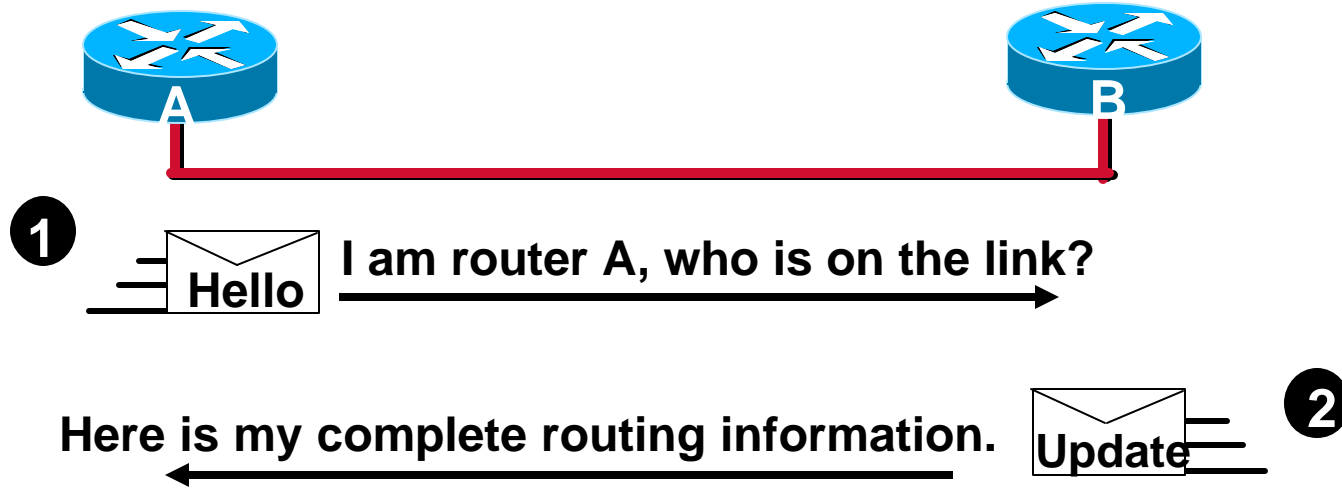
EIGRP Reliability (cont.)

- **EIGRP transport has window size of one (stop-and-wait mechanism)**
 - **Every single reliable packet needs to be acknowledged before the next sequenced packet can be sent**
 - **If one or more peers are slow in acknowledging, all other peers suffer**
- **Solution: The nonacknowledged multicast packet will be retransmitted as a unicast to the slow neighbor**

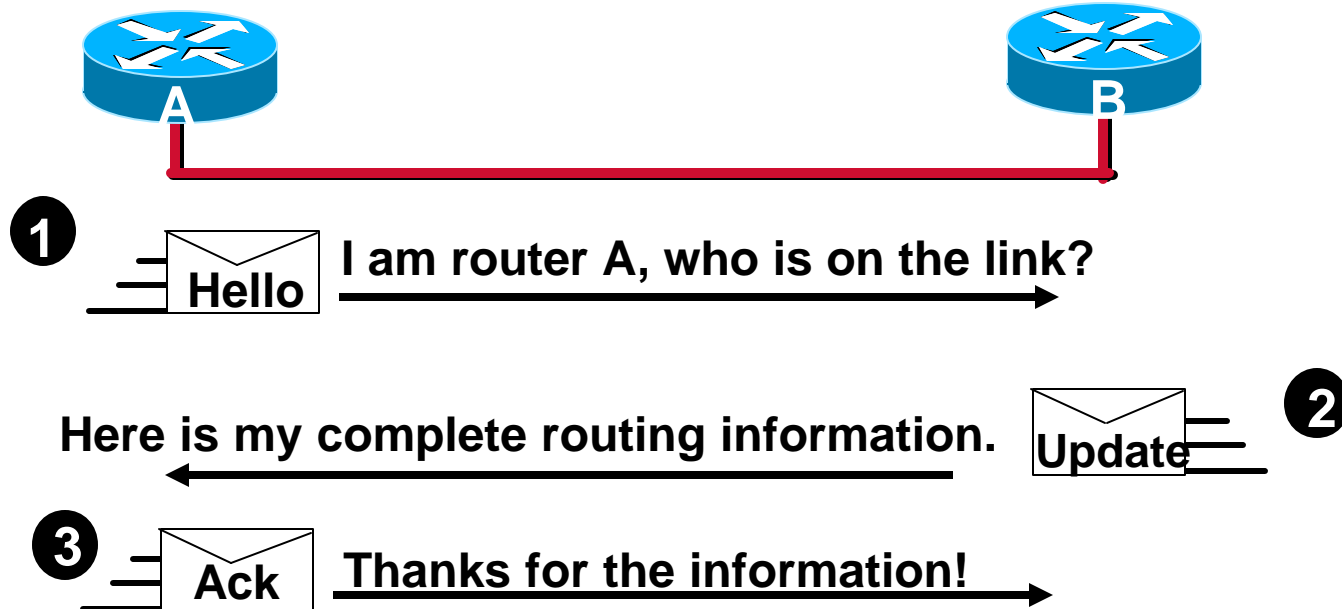
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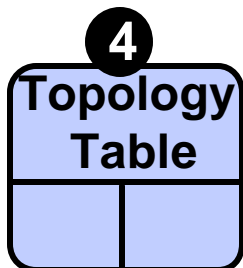


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Here is my complete routing information.

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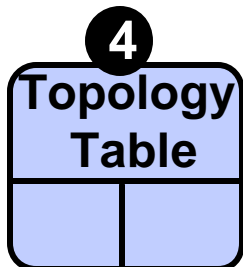
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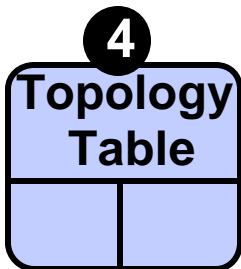
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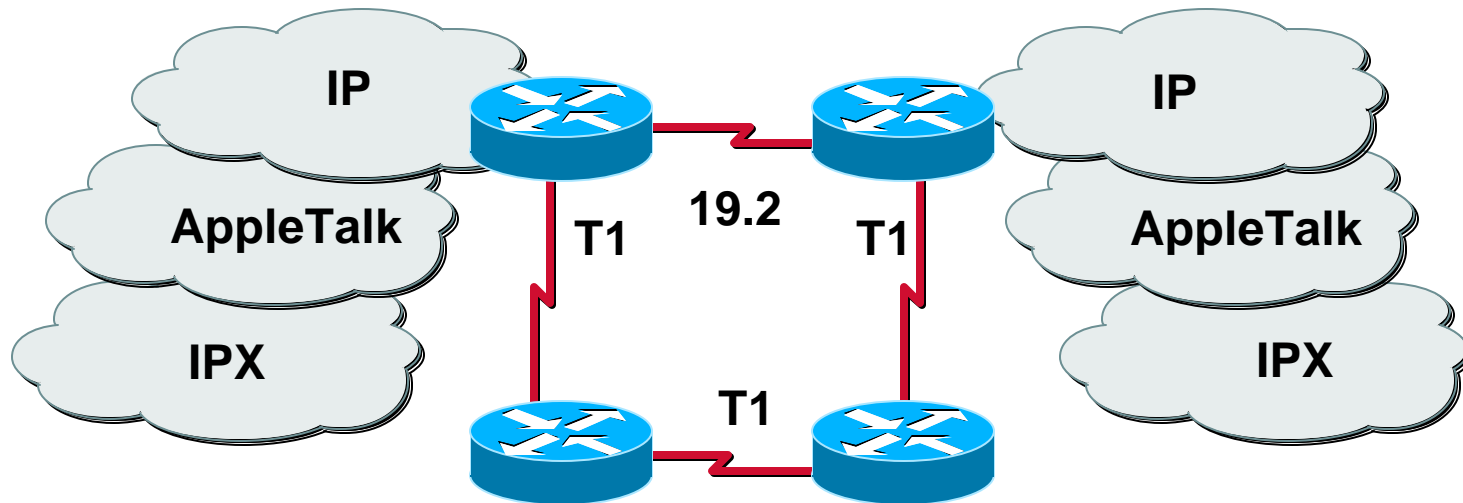
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EIGRP Route Selection

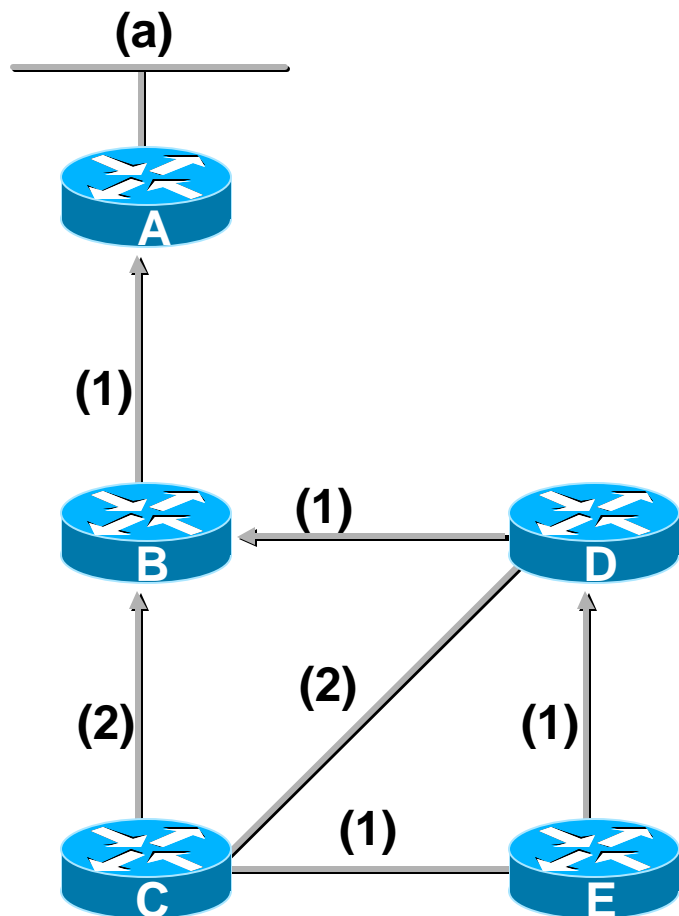


EIGRP uses a composite metric to pick the best path

EIGRP DUAL

- **Diffusing Update Algorithm (DUAL)**
- **Finite-state machine**
 - **Tracks all routes advertised by neighbors**
 - **Selects loop-free path using a successor and remembers any feasible successors**
 - **If successor lost:**
 - **Use feasible successor**
 - **If no feasible successor:**
 - **Query neighbors and recompute new successor**

DUAL Example (Start)

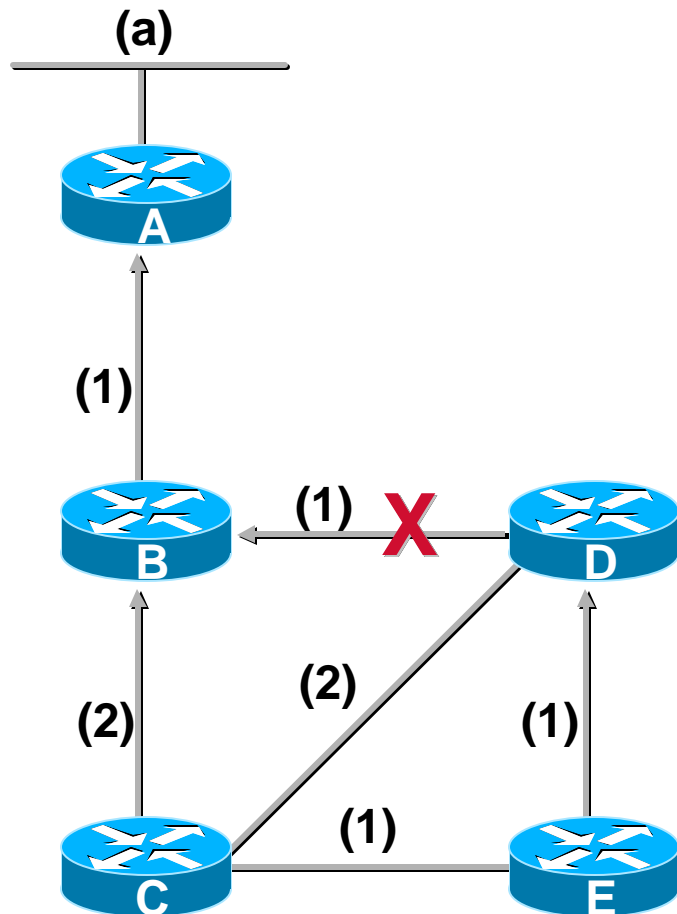


C	EIGRP	FD	AD	Topology
(a)		3		(fd)
	via B	3	1	(Successor)
	via D	4	2	(fs)
	via E	4	3	

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	via C	5	3	

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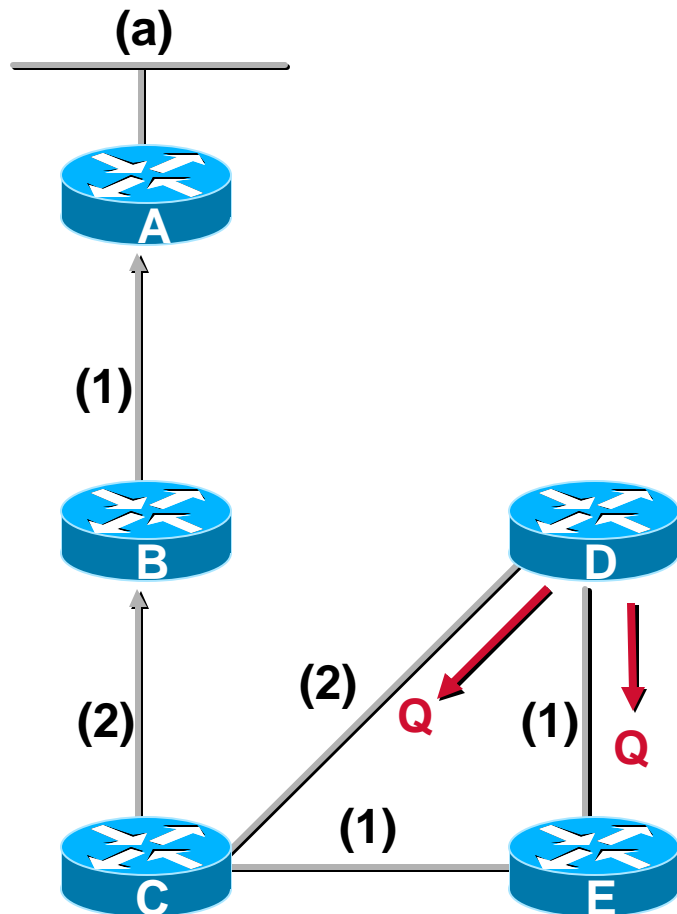


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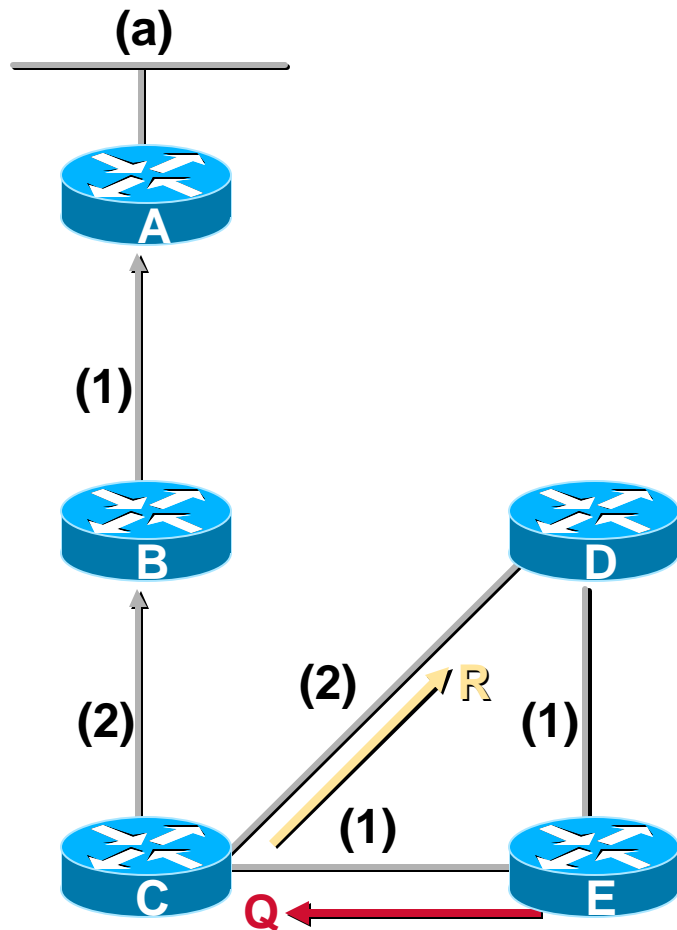


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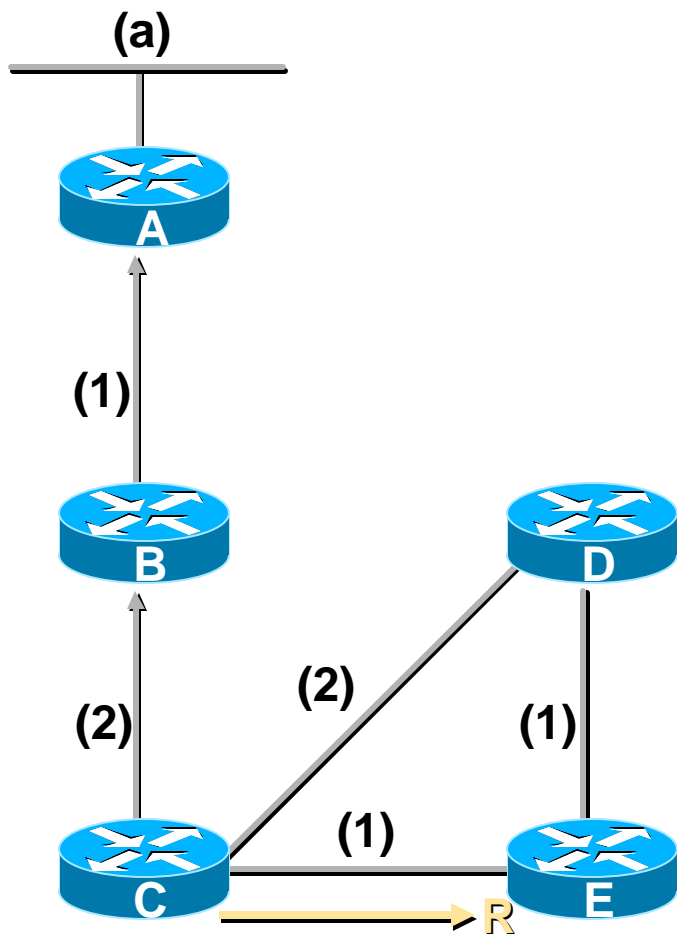


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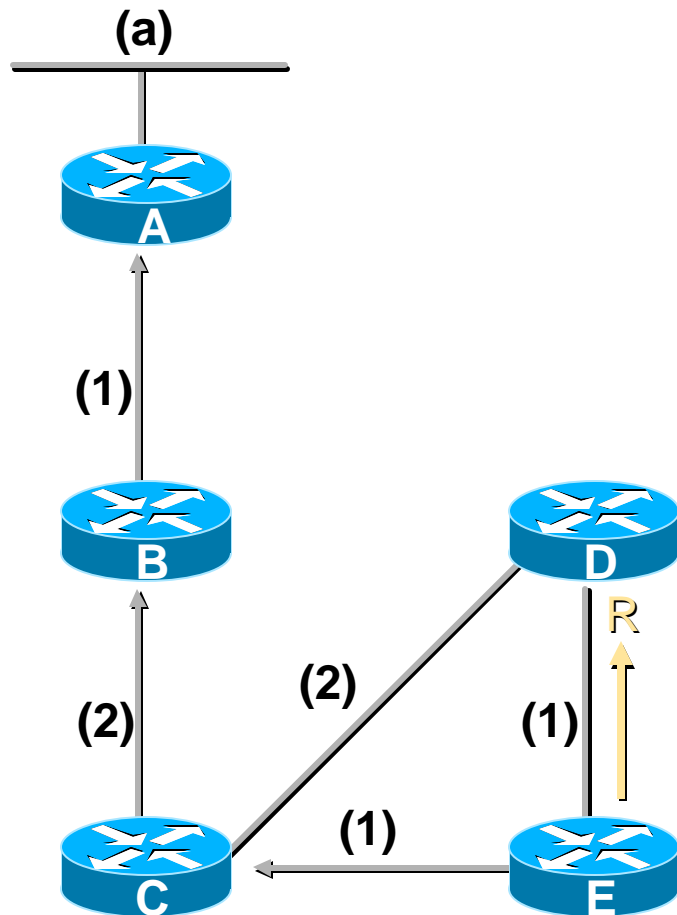


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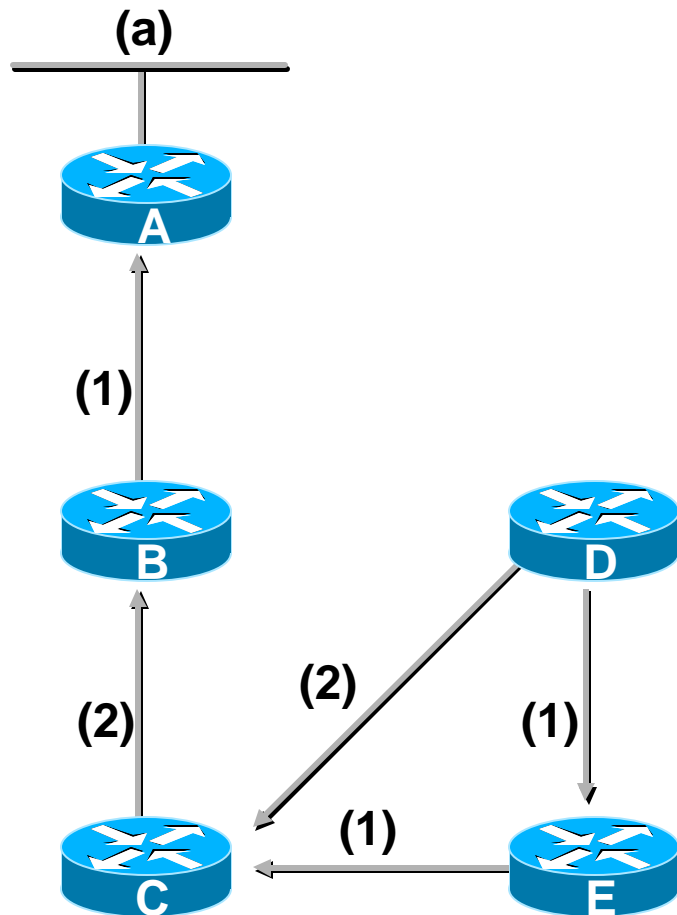


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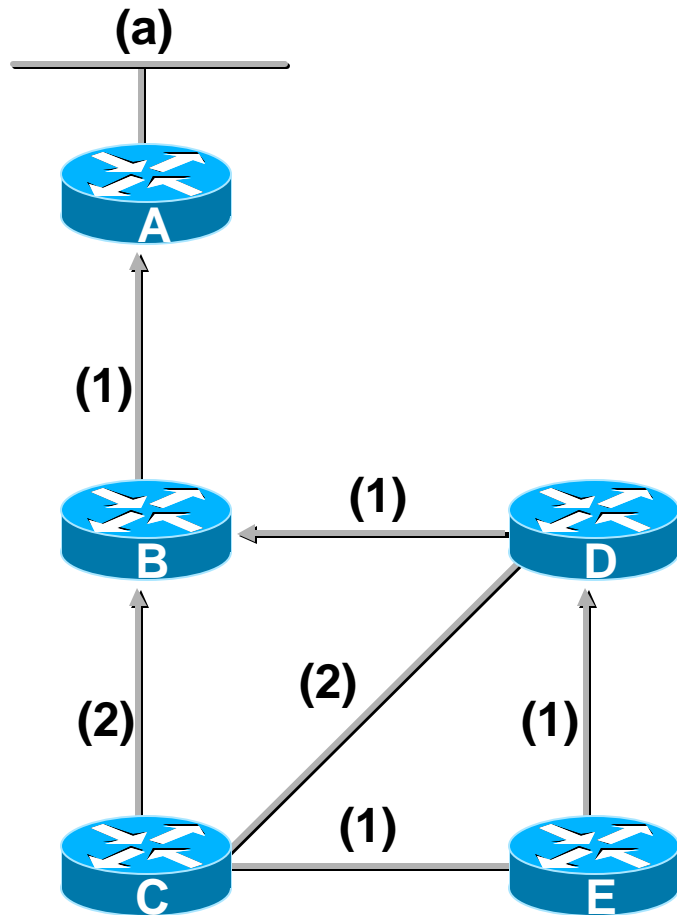


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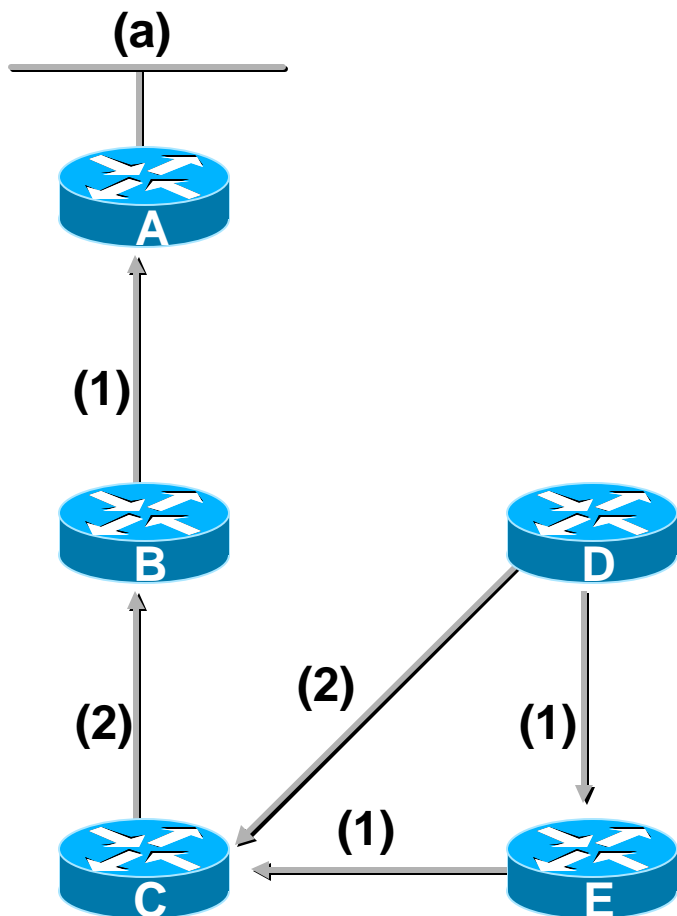


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DUAL Example (End)



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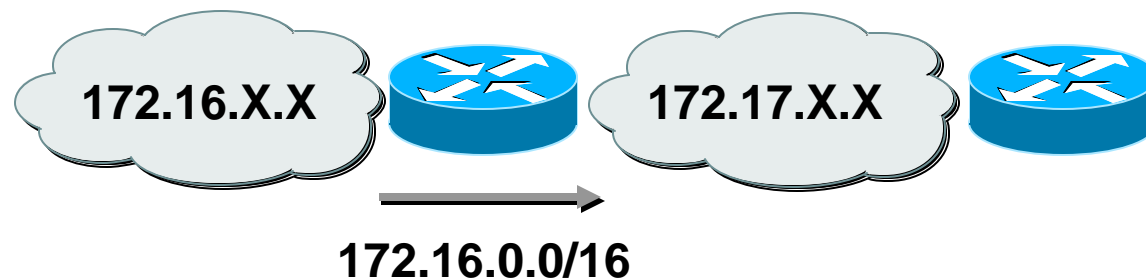
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A man in a white shirt and dark tie is holding a large, curved, glowing blue object against a textured blue background. The object appears to be a large, curved pipe or cable. The man is standing on a dark, curved surface, possibly a ledge or a platform. The background is a textured blue wall with some vertical lines. The overall scene is lit with a cool blue light.

Configuring EIGRP

EIGRP Summarization—Automatic

- **Purpose: Smaller routing tables, smaller updates, query boundary**
- **Autosummarization:**
 - **On major network boundaries, subnetworks are summarized to a single classful (major) network**
 - **Autosummarization is turned on by default**



EIGRP Summarization—Manual

Manual summarization

- **Configurable on a per-interface basis in any router within network**
- **When summarization is configured on an interface, the router immediately creates a route pointing to Null0**
 - **Loop prevention mechanism**
- **When the last specific route of the summary goes away, the summary is deleted**
- **The minimum metric of the specific routes is used as the metric of the summary route**

Configuring Summarization

(config-router)#

```
no auto-summary
```

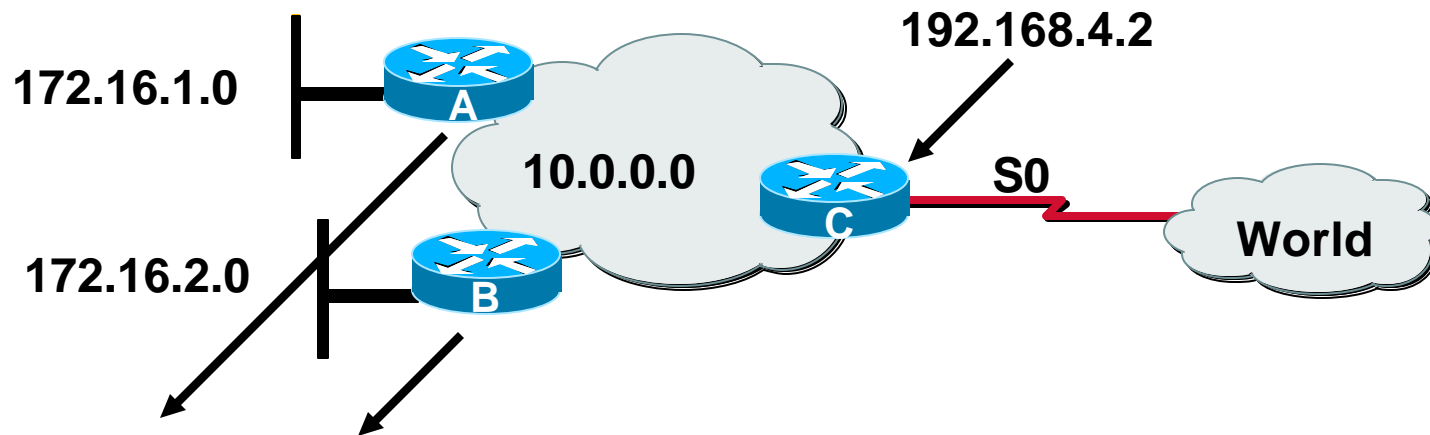
- Turns off autosummarization for the EIGRP process

(config-if)#

```
ip summary-address eigrp [as-number]  
[address] [mask]
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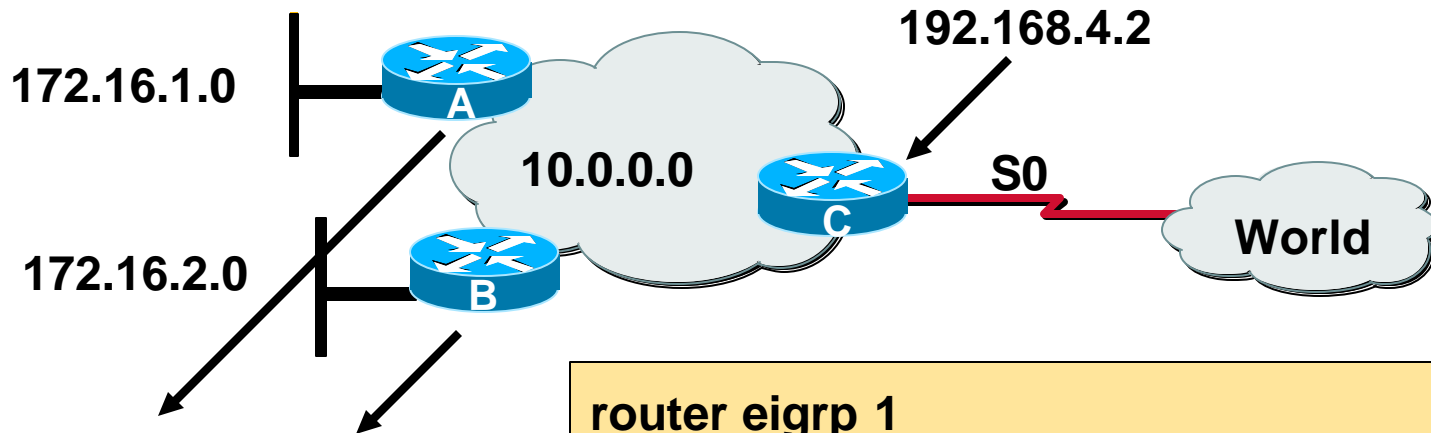
- Creates a summary address to be generated by this interface

Summarizing EIGRP Routes



```
router eigrp 1
network 10.0.0.0
network 172.16.0.0
no auto-summary
```

Summarizing EIGRP Routes (cont.)




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```
router eigrp 1
network 10.0.0.0
network 192.168.4.0
!
int s0
ip address 192.168.4.2 255.255.255.0
ip summary-address eigrp 1
172.16.0.0 255.255.0.0
```

EIGRP Load Balancing

- **Routes with metric equal to the minimum metric will be installed in the routing table (equal-cost load balancing)**
- **Up to six entries in the routing table for the same destination**
 - **Number of entries is configurable**
 - **Default is four**



Verifying EIGRP Operation

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Router#

```
show ip eigrp neighbors
```

Router#

```
show ip eigrp topology
```

Router#

```
show ip route eigrp
```

Router#

```
show ip protocols
```

Router#

```
show ip eigrp traffic
```

- Displays the neighbors discovered by IP EIGRP
- Displays the IP EIGRP topology table
- Displays current EIGRP entries in the routing table
- Displays the parameters and current state of the active routing protocol process
- Displays the number of IP EIGRP packets sent and received

Verifying EIGRP Operation (cont.)

Router#

```
debug eigrp packets
```

Router#

```
debug eigrp neighbors
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Router#

```
debug ip eigrp
```

Router#

```
debug ip eigrp summary
```

- Displays all types of EIGRP packets, both sent and received
- Displays the EIGRP neighbor interaction
- Displays advertisements and changes EIGRP makes to the routing table
- Displays a brief report of the EIGRP routing activity