Networking 101

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Networking: game plan

- 1. Deconstructing the internet
- 2. Using traceroute
- 3. Exploring the problems with the internet

The Basics



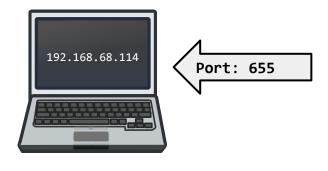


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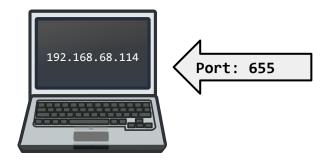


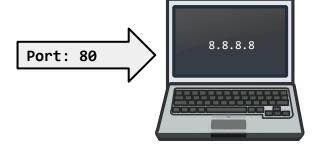
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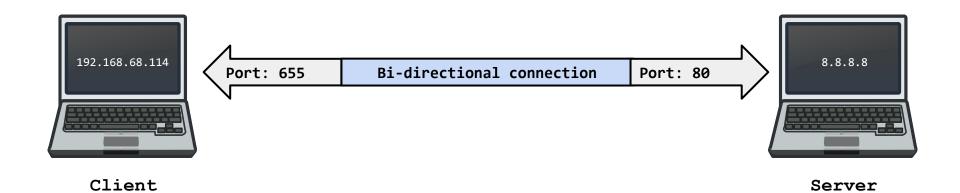


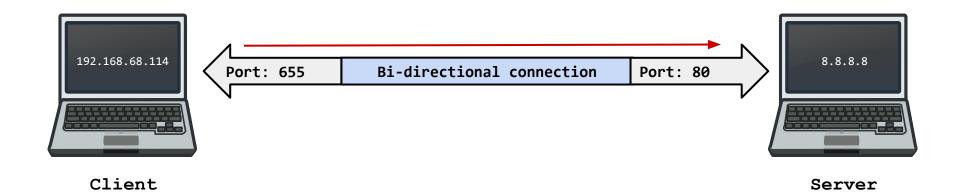
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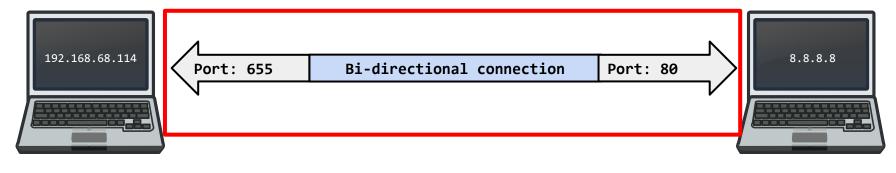


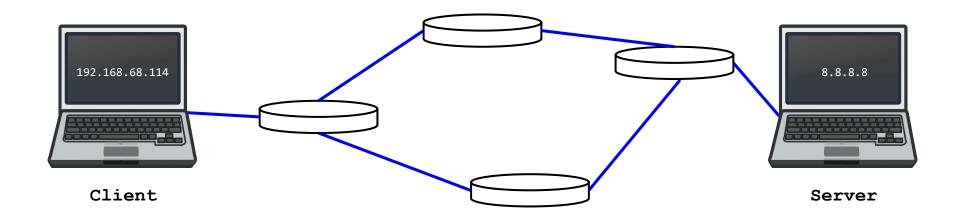
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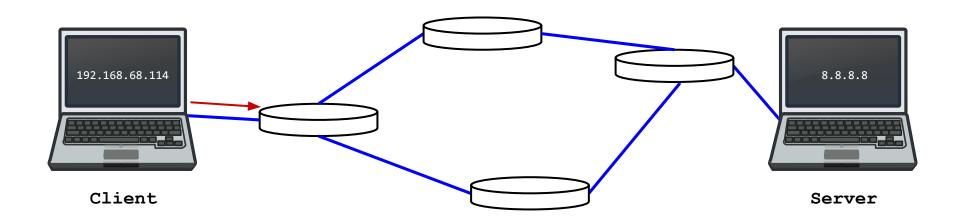


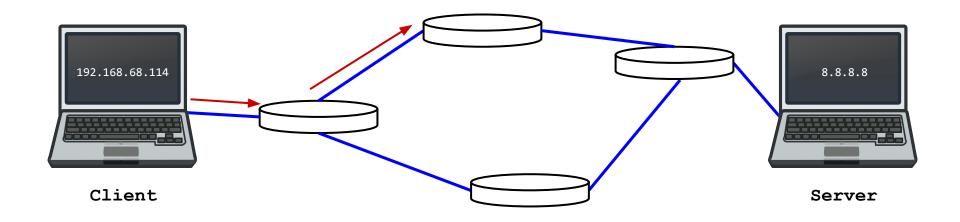


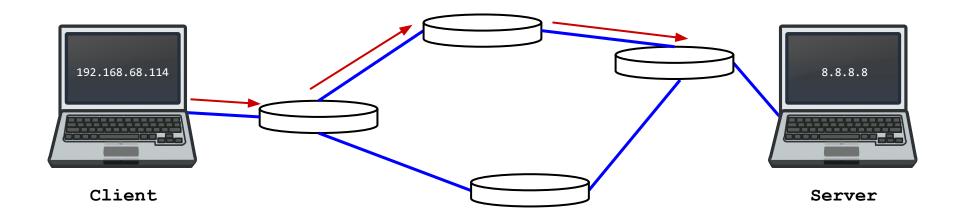
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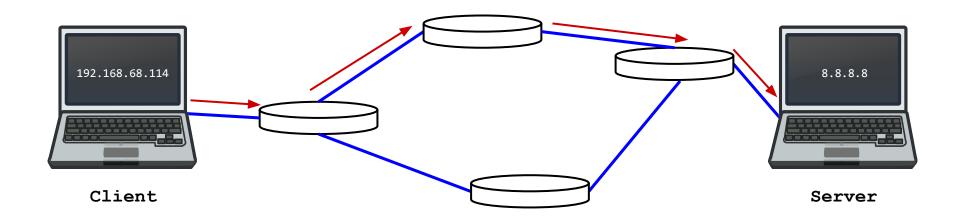




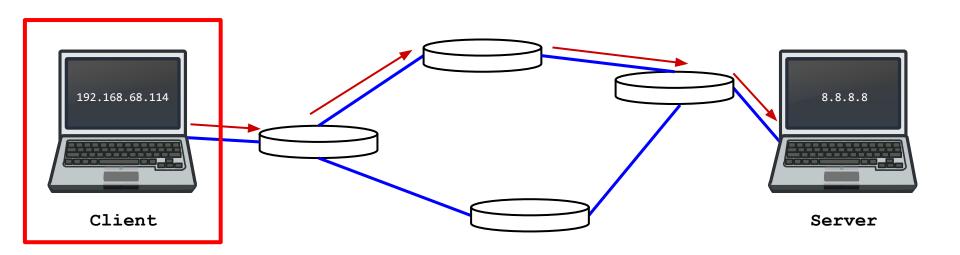


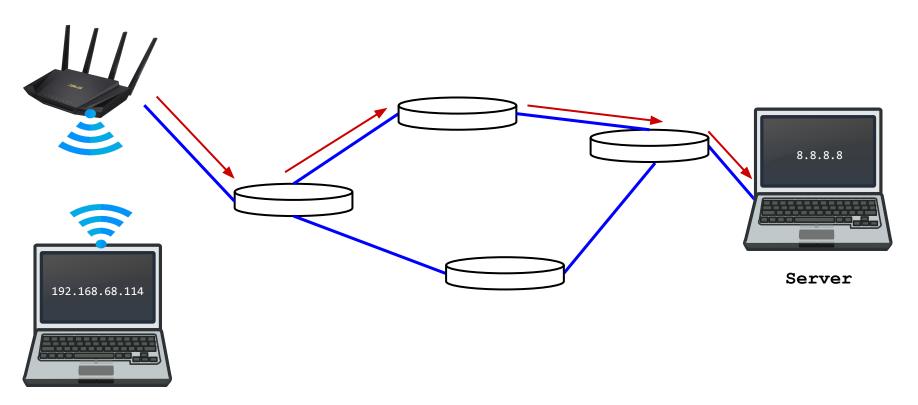






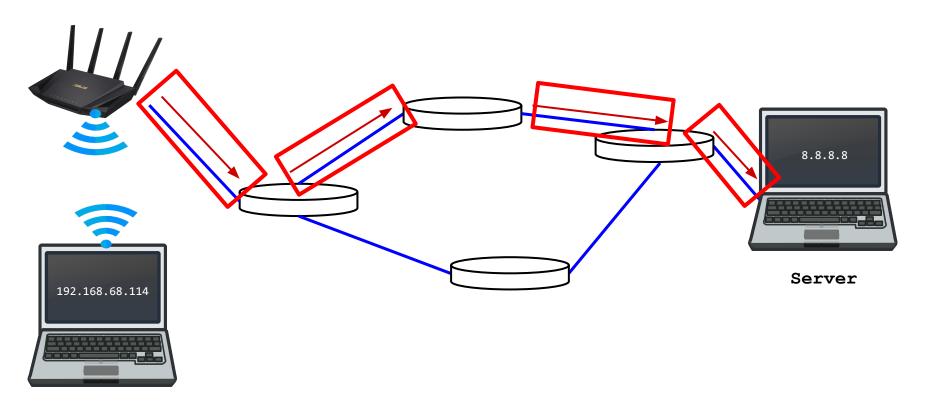
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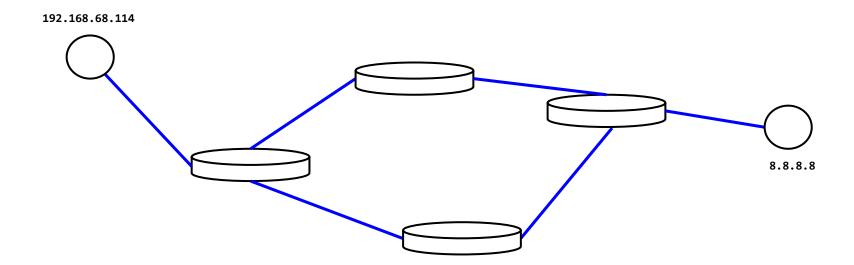


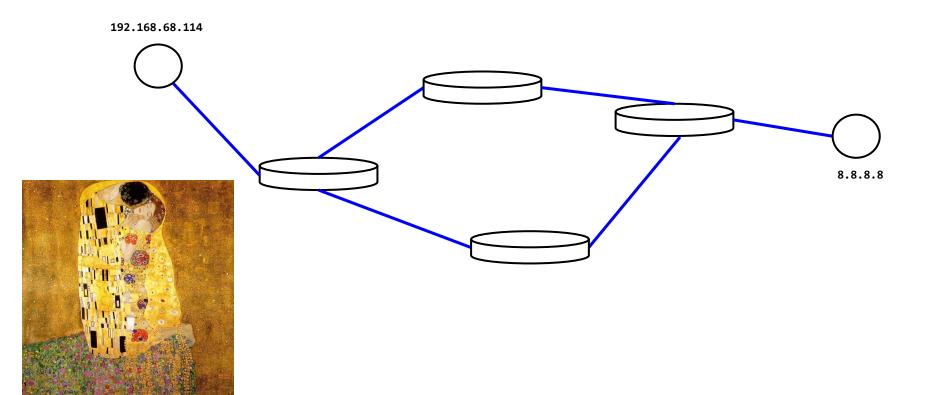


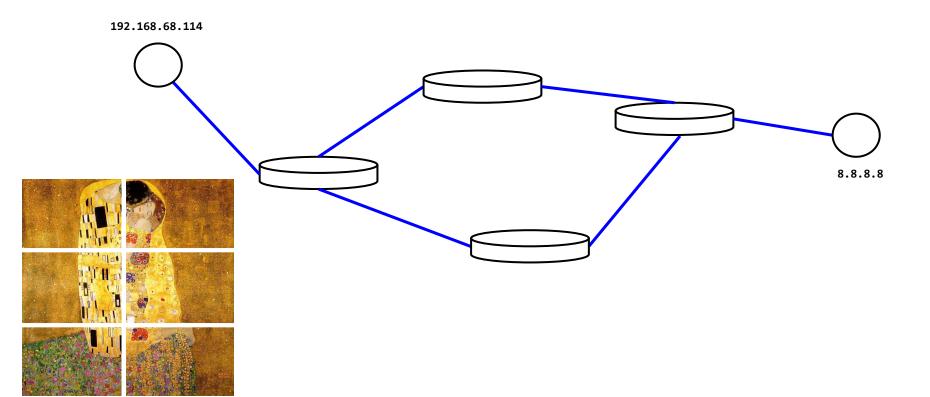
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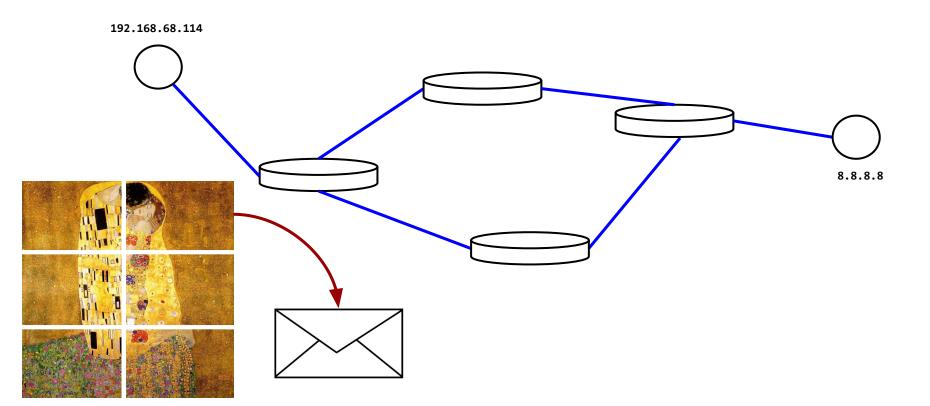
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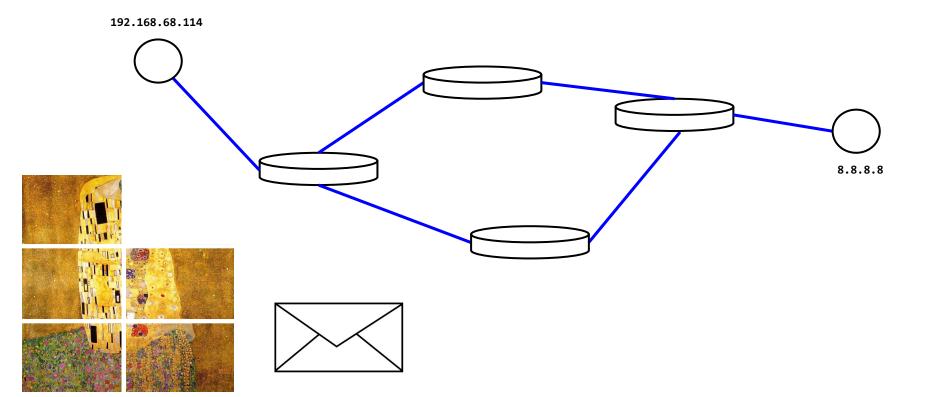


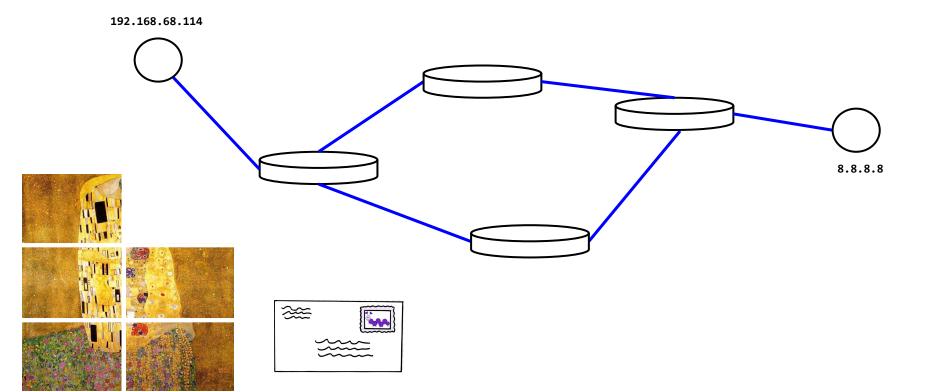


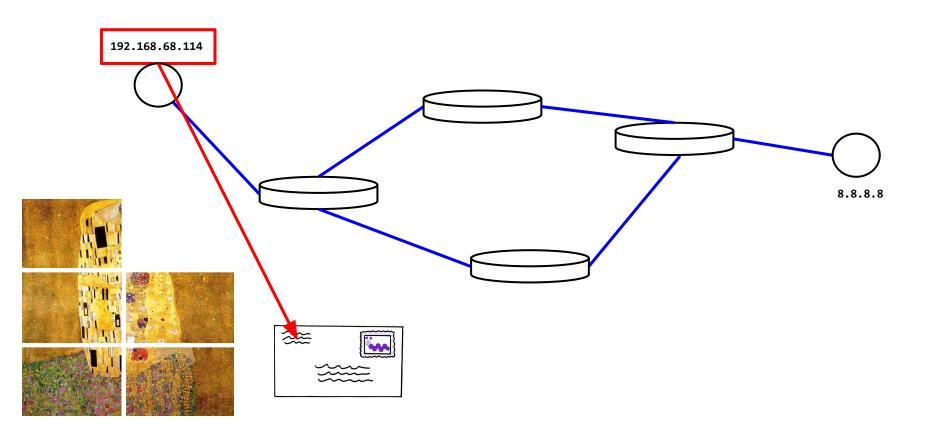


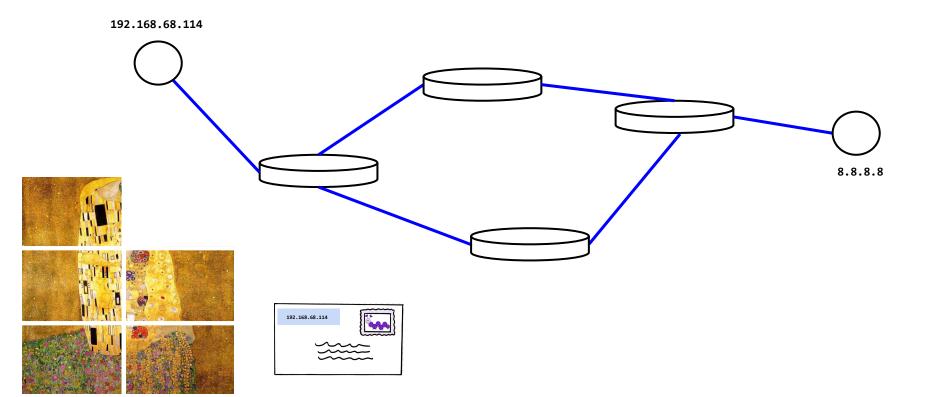


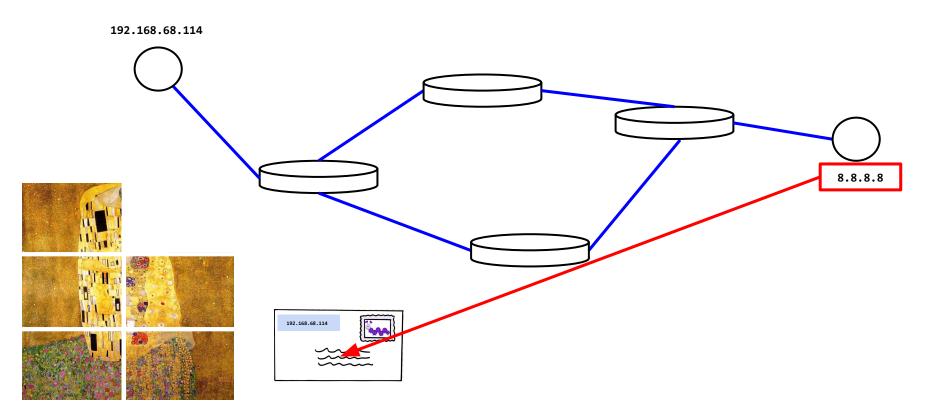


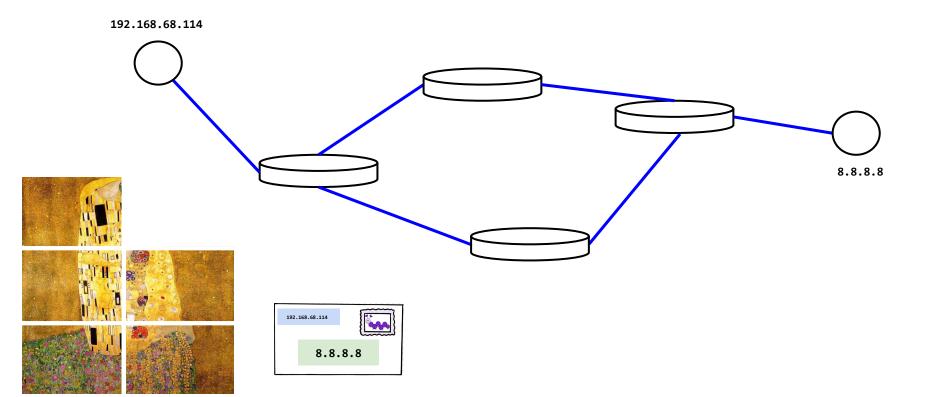


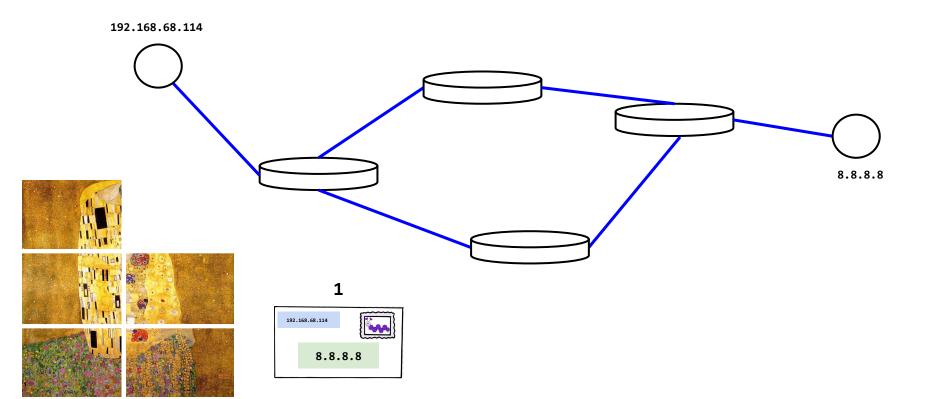


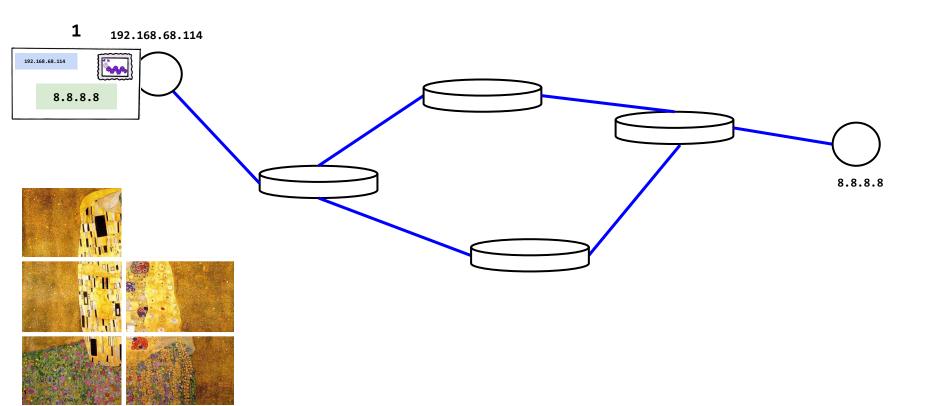


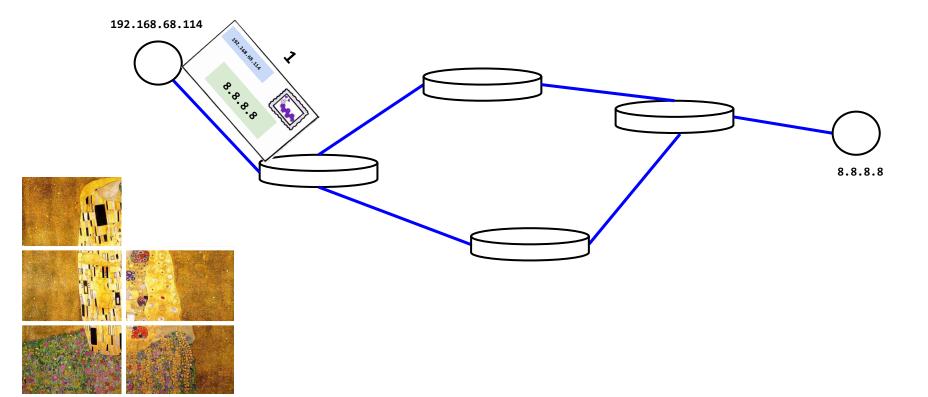


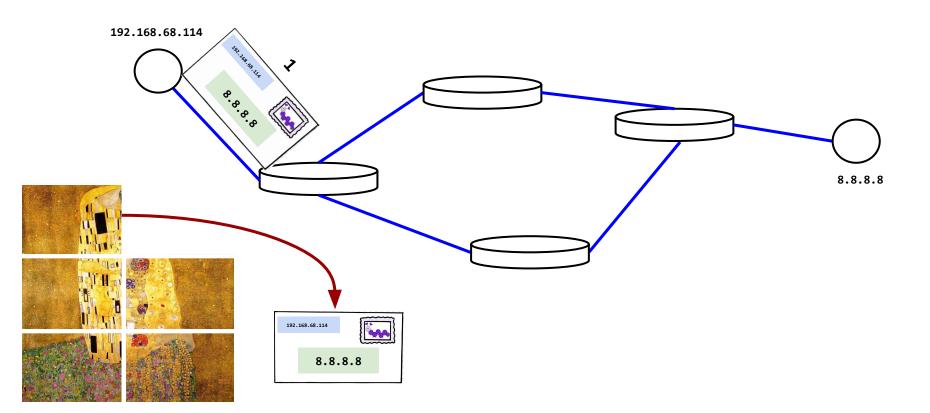


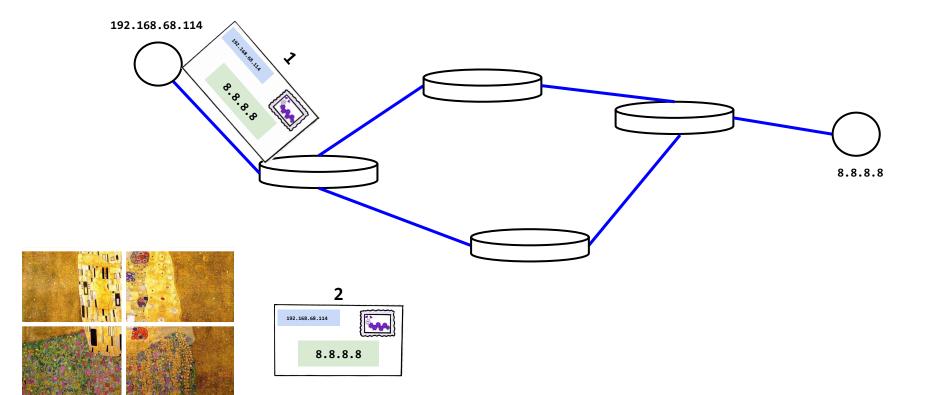


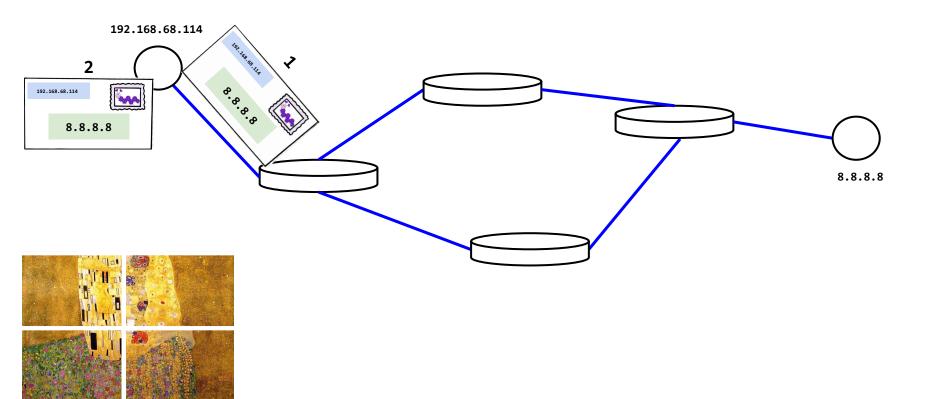


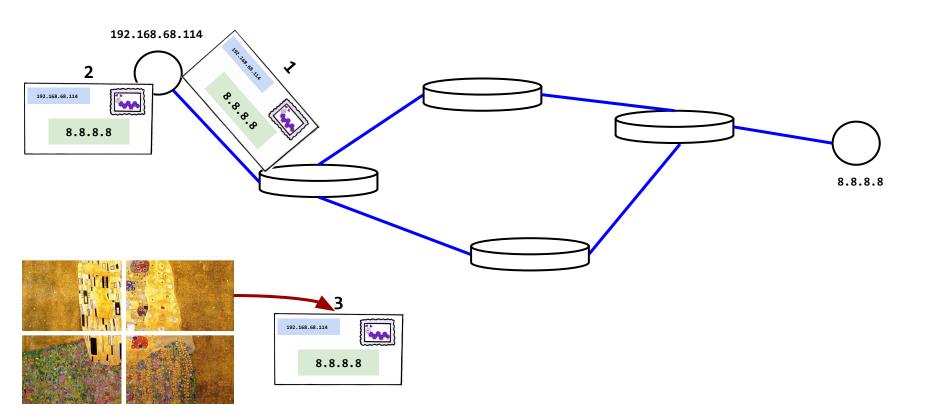


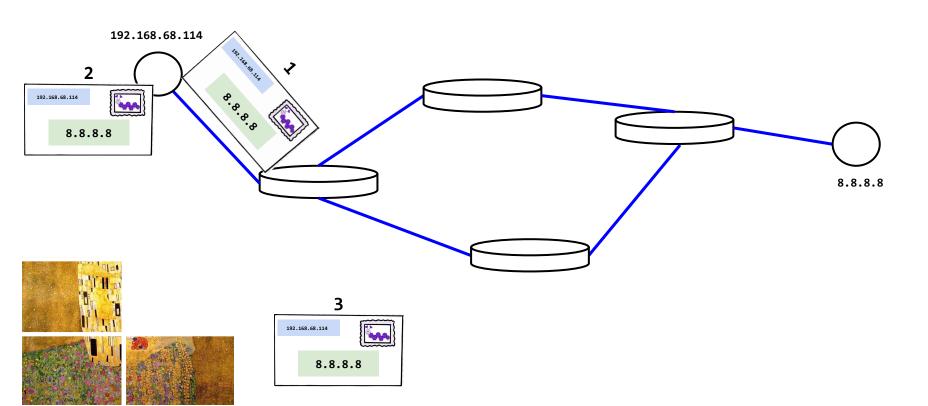


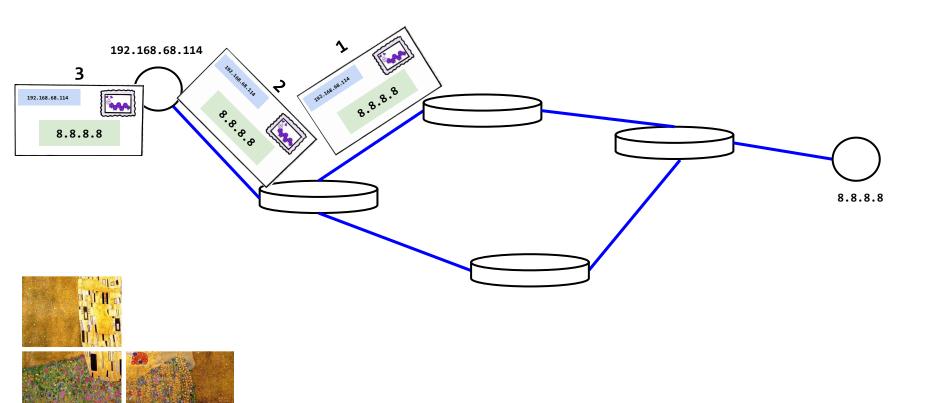


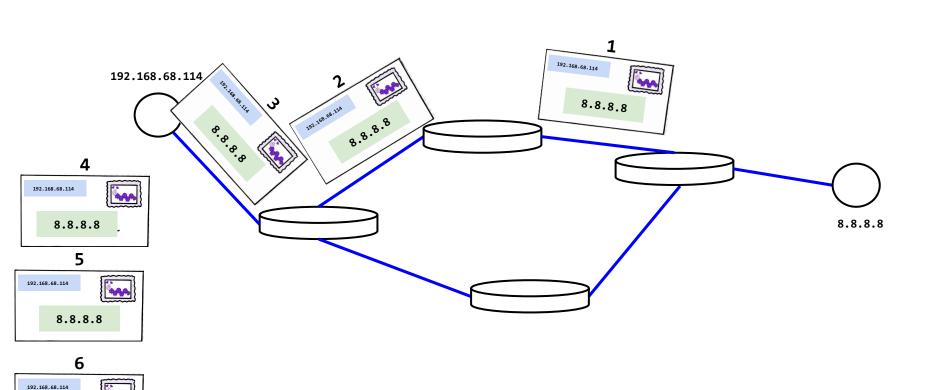


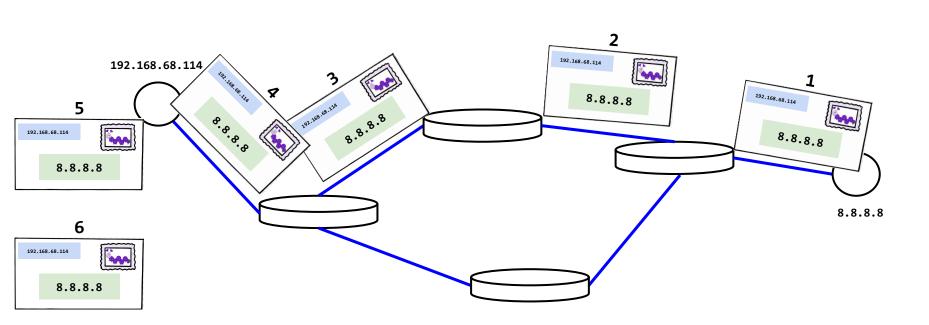


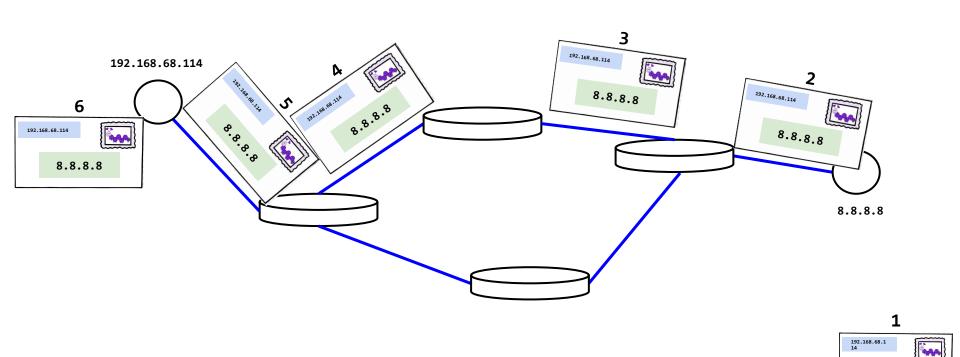


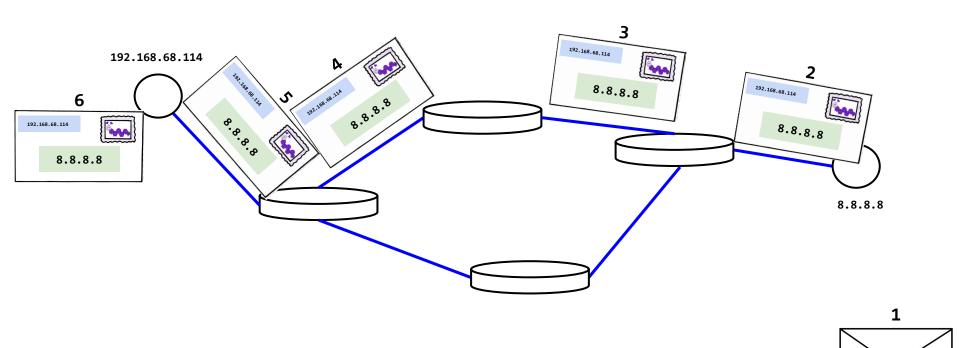


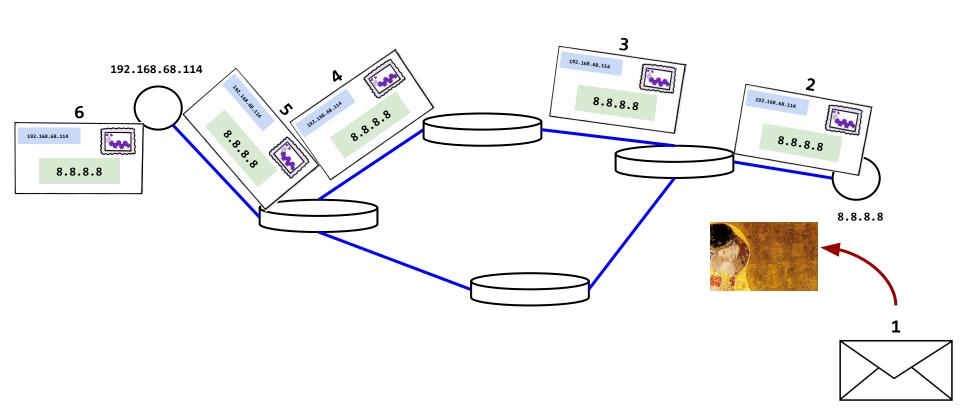


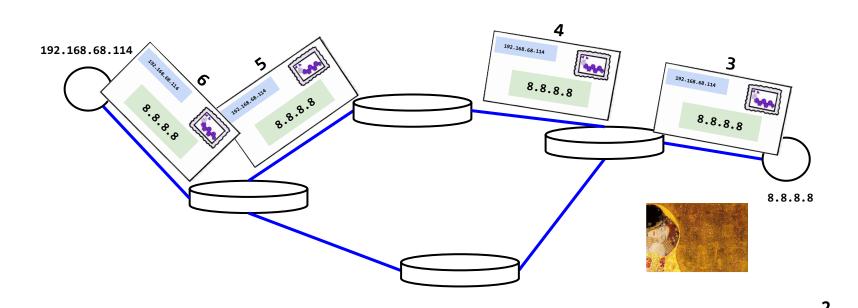




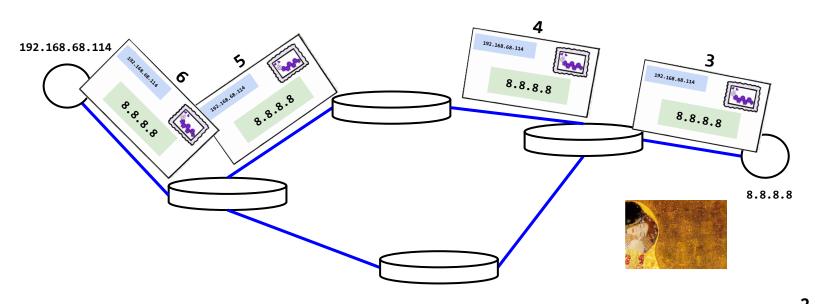


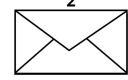


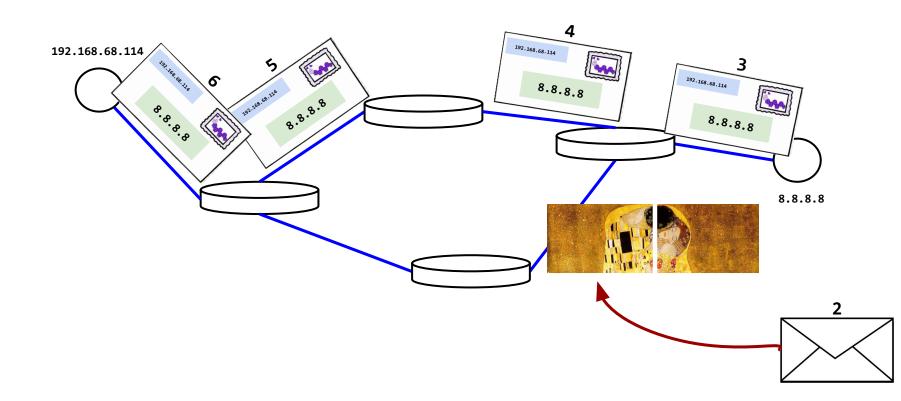


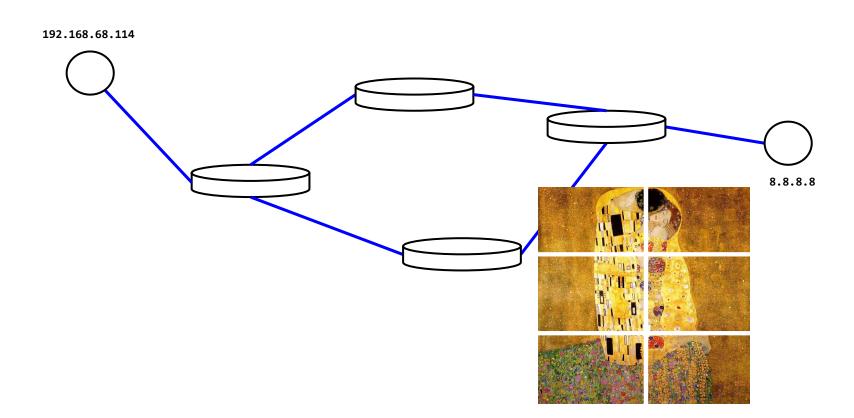


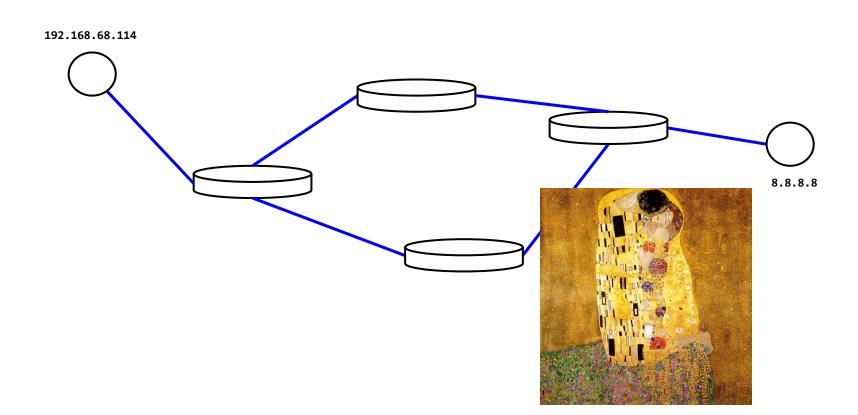
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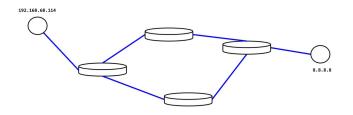




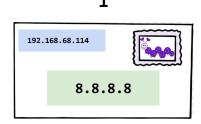


Summary so far

1. Two computers communicate with each other using a network of routers.



2. As data is sent across the internet, it is put into "packets" that have a source IP address and a destination IP address.



Traceroute

traceroute is used to display possible paths from one IP address to another IP address across an internet network.

You can see the path traceroute takes and what routers it goes through.

(On Windows, use tracert)

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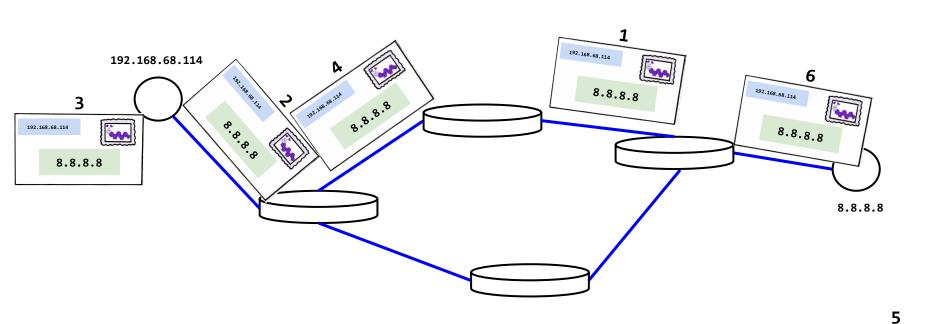
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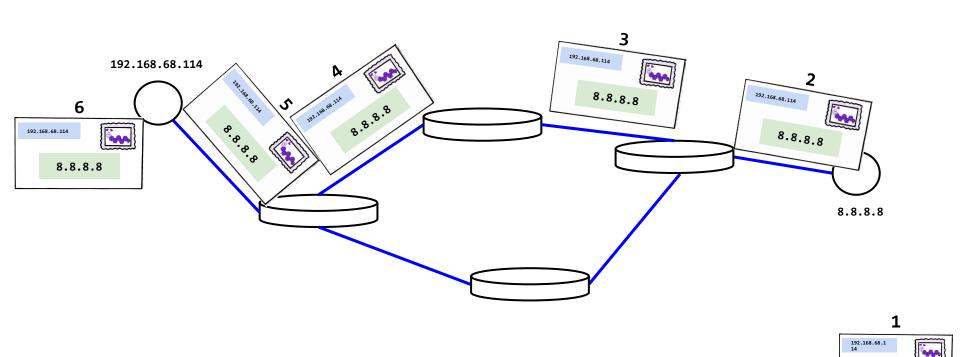
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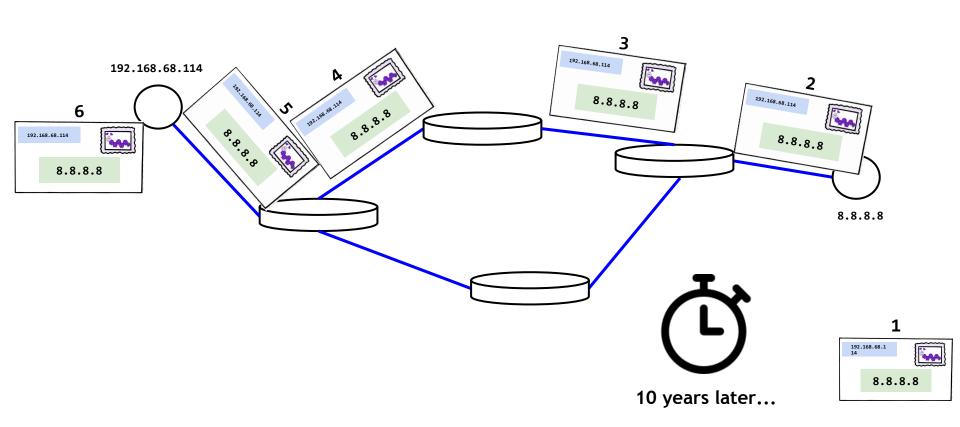
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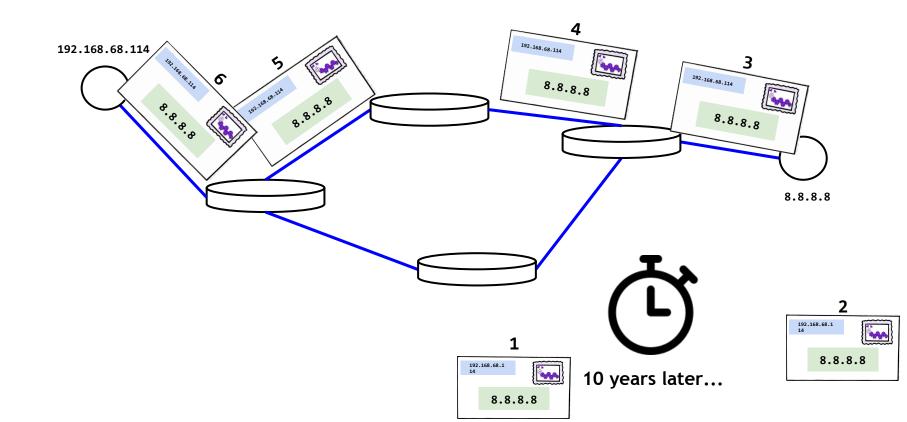


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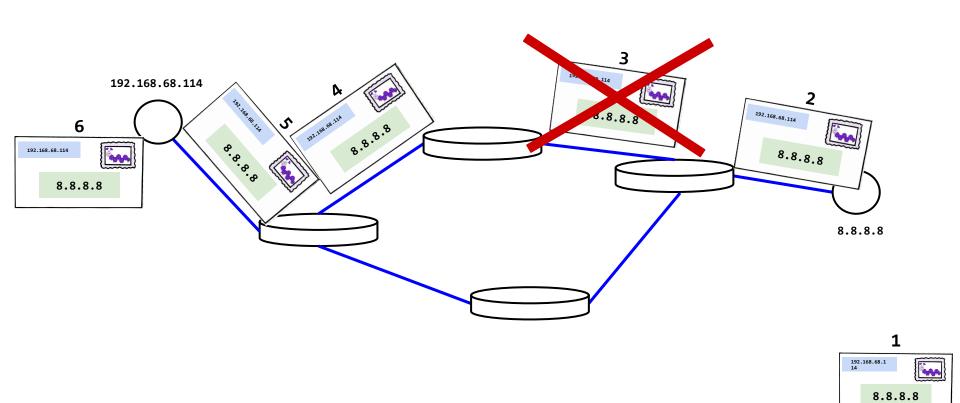
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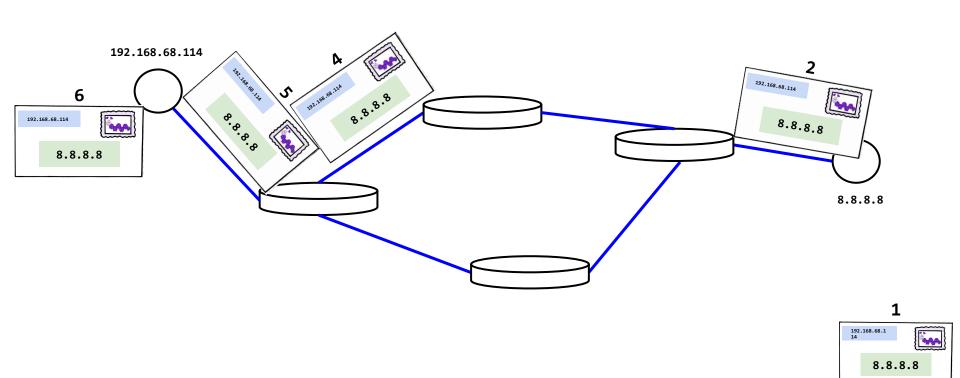






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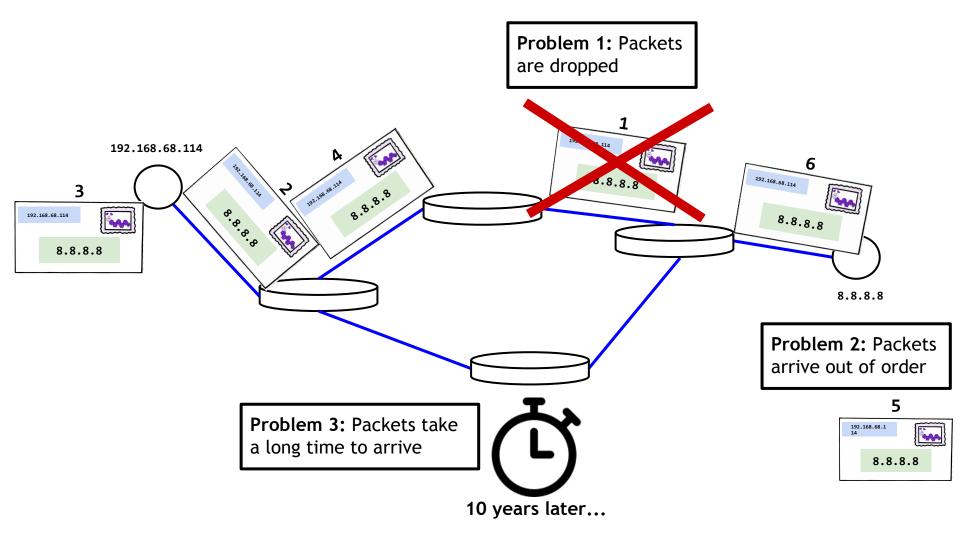
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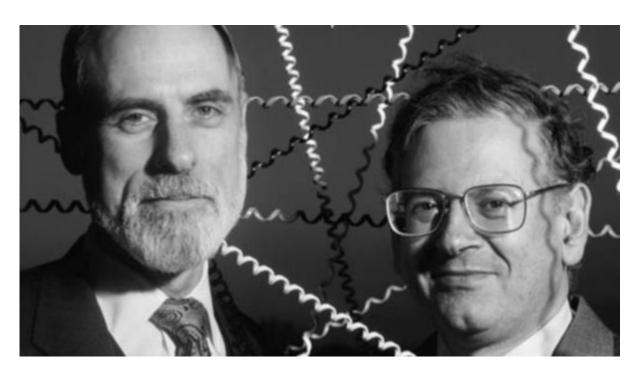
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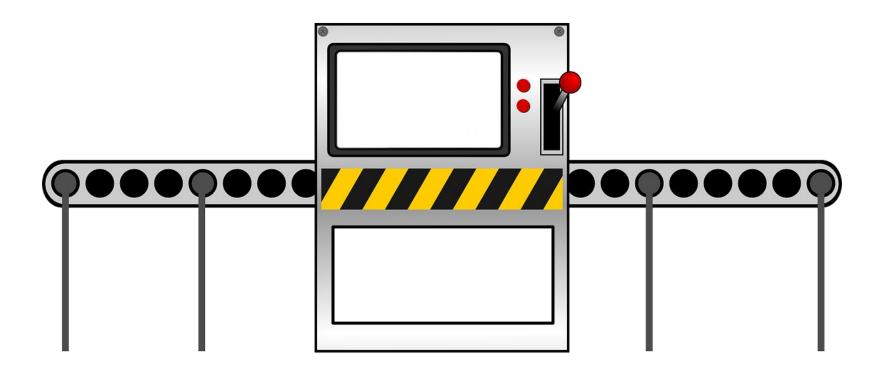
Big Assumption: it doesn't cost much for us to send (or resend) a packet.

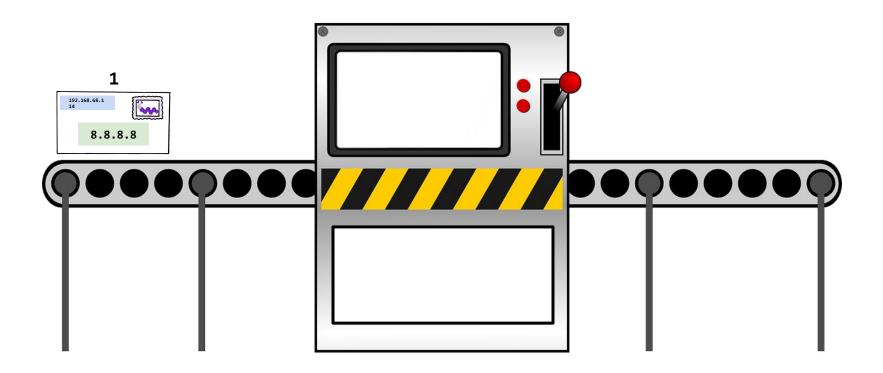


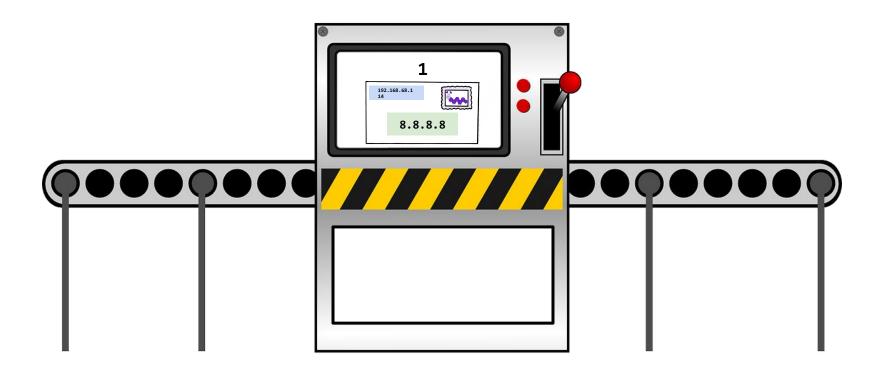
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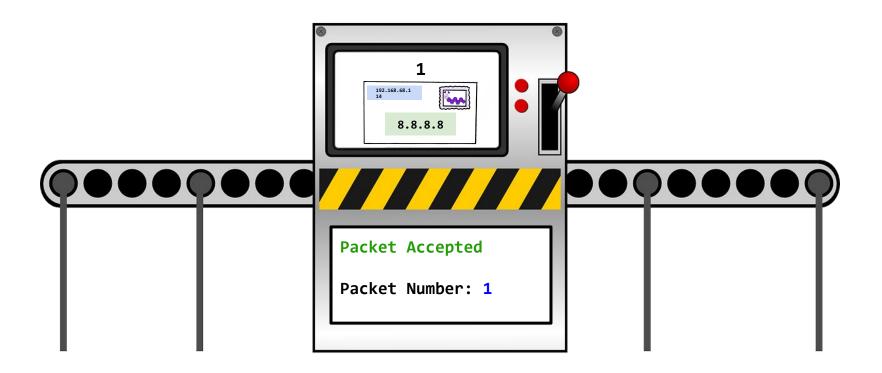
TCP (Transmission Control Protocol) is a reliable byte stream of data.

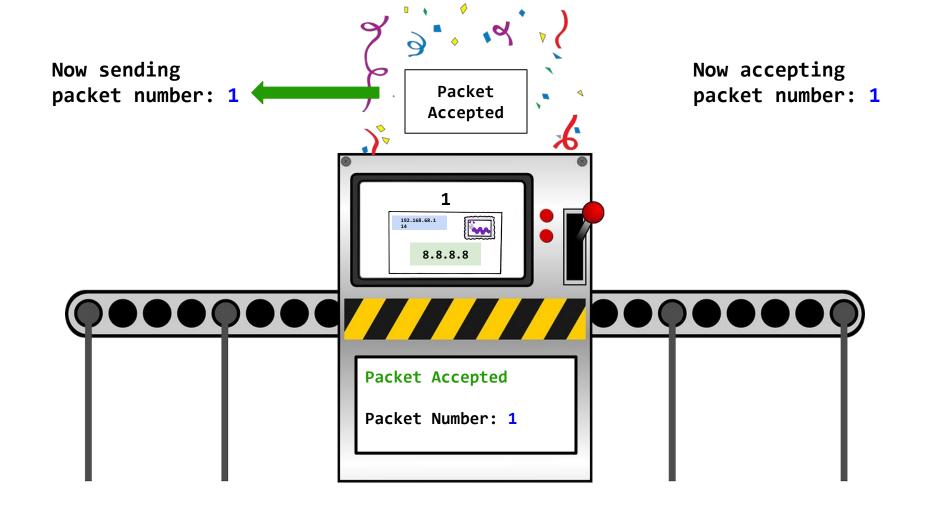


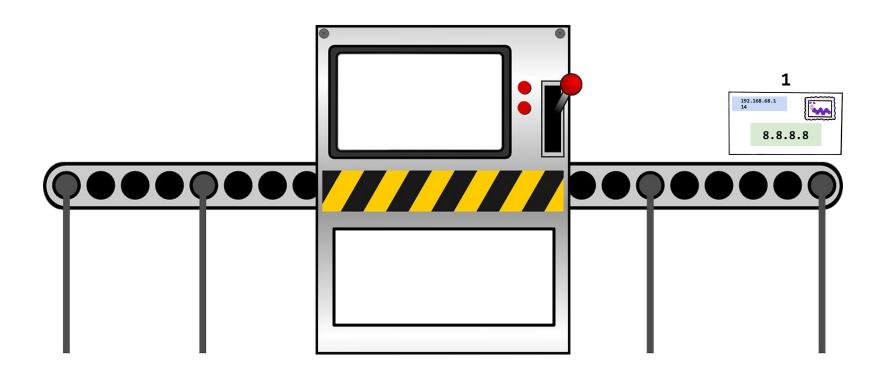


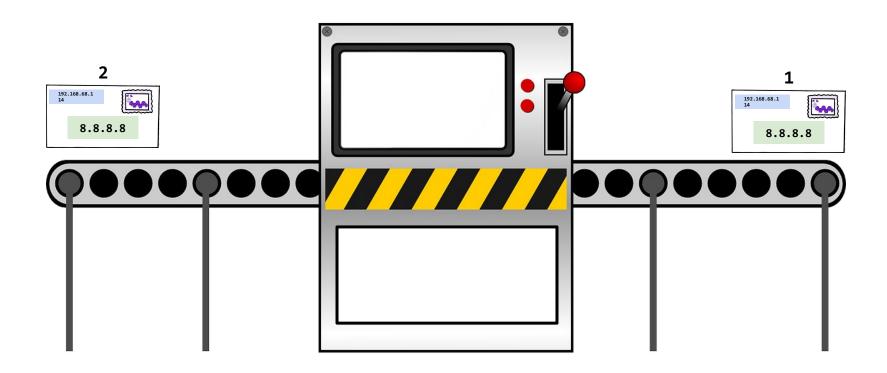


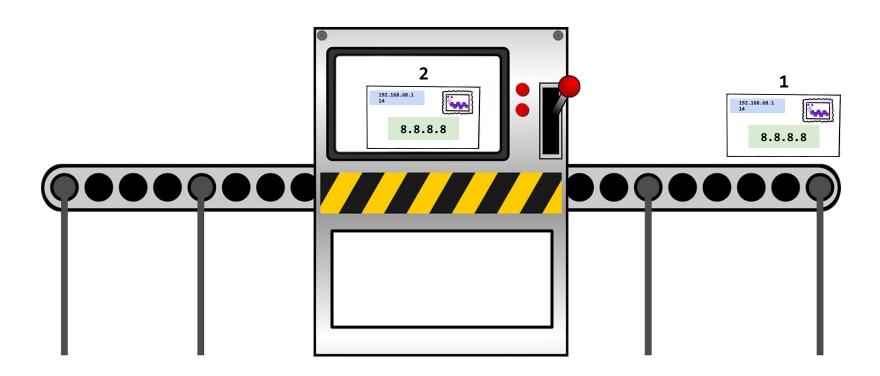


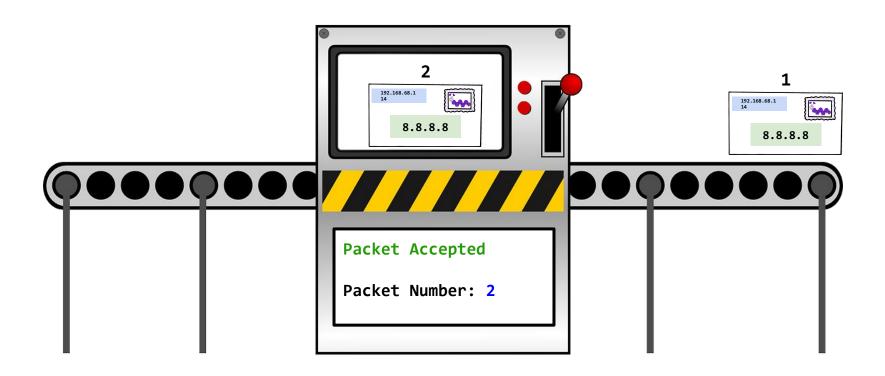


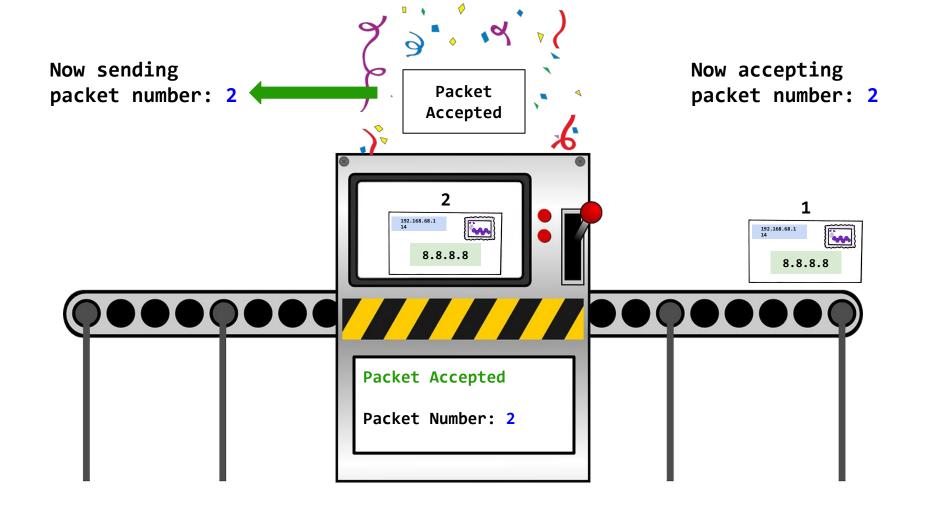


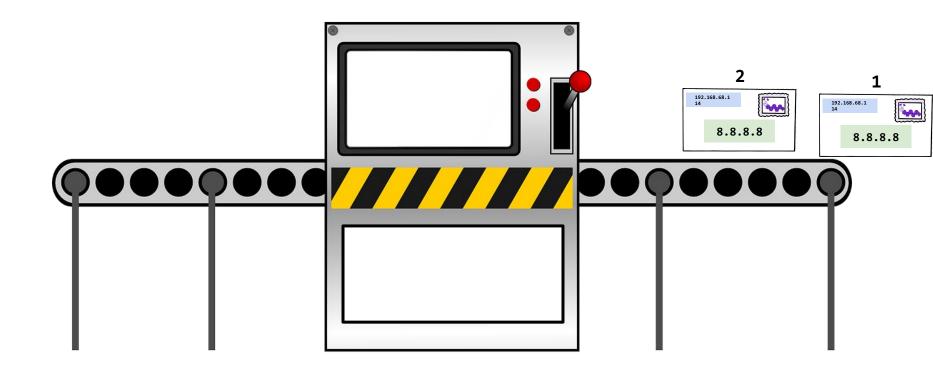


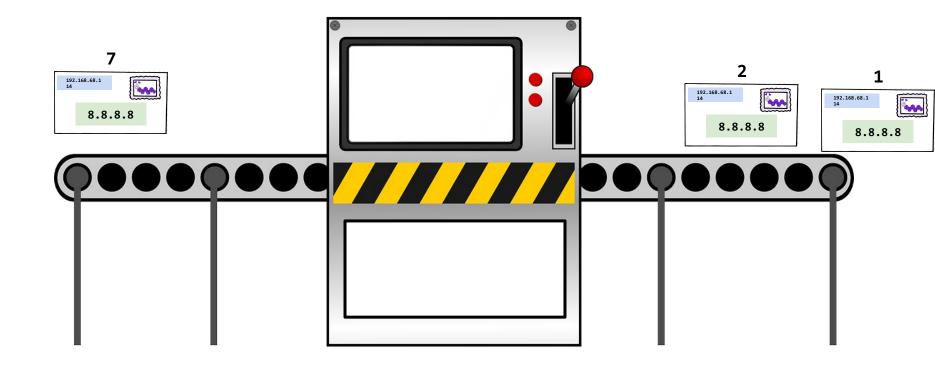


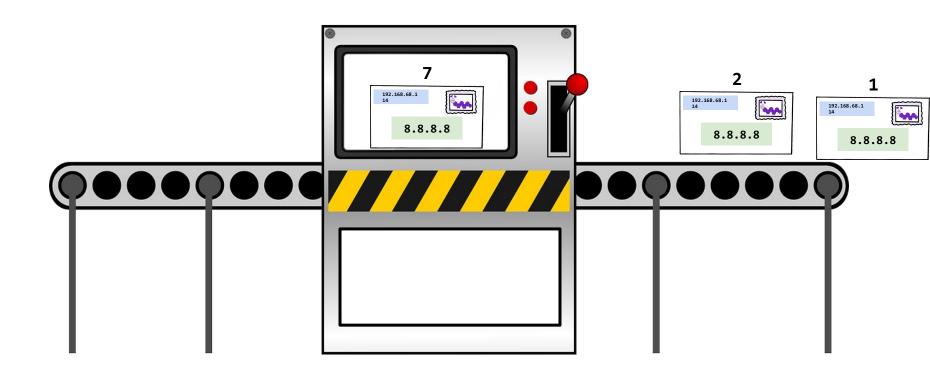


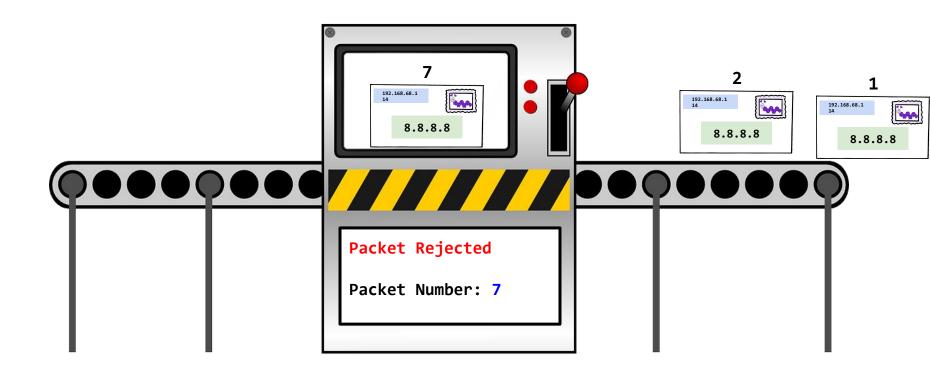


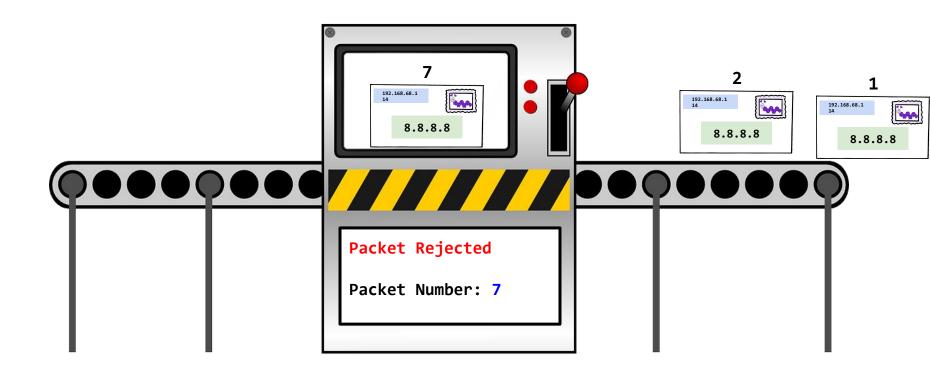






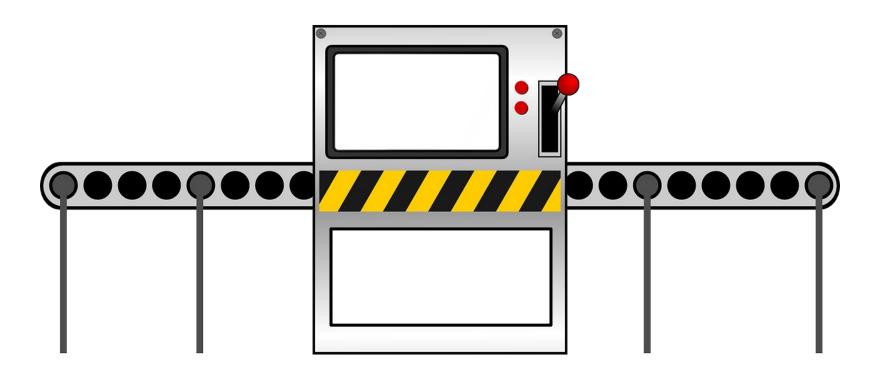


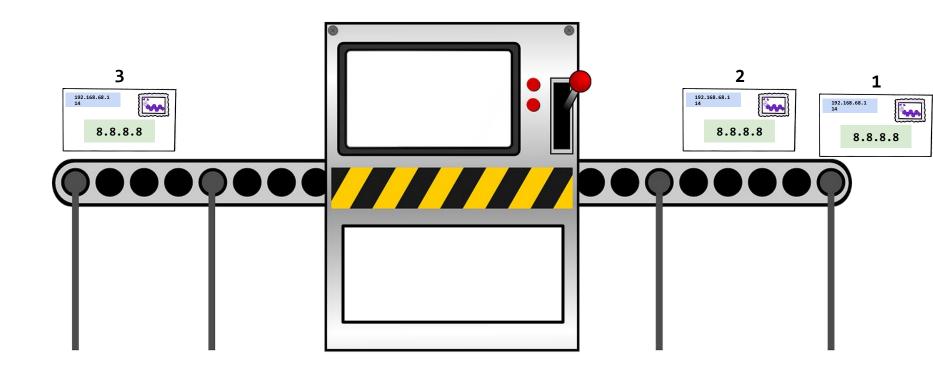


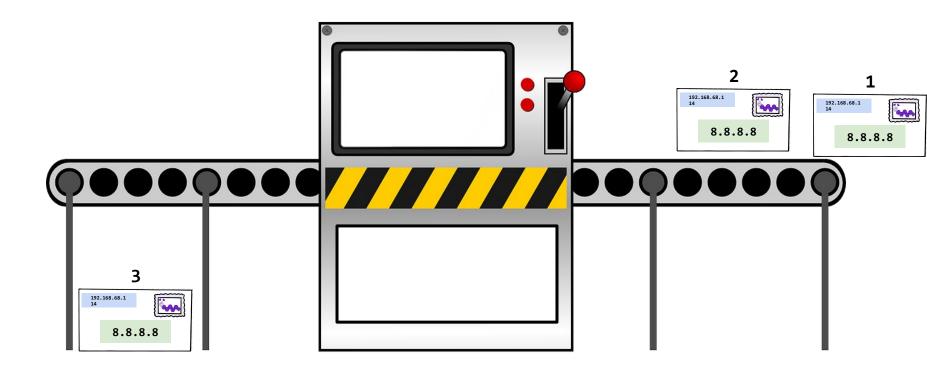


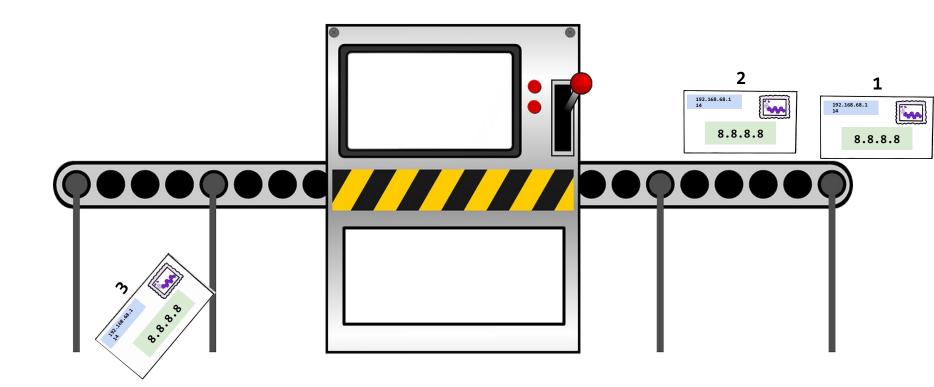
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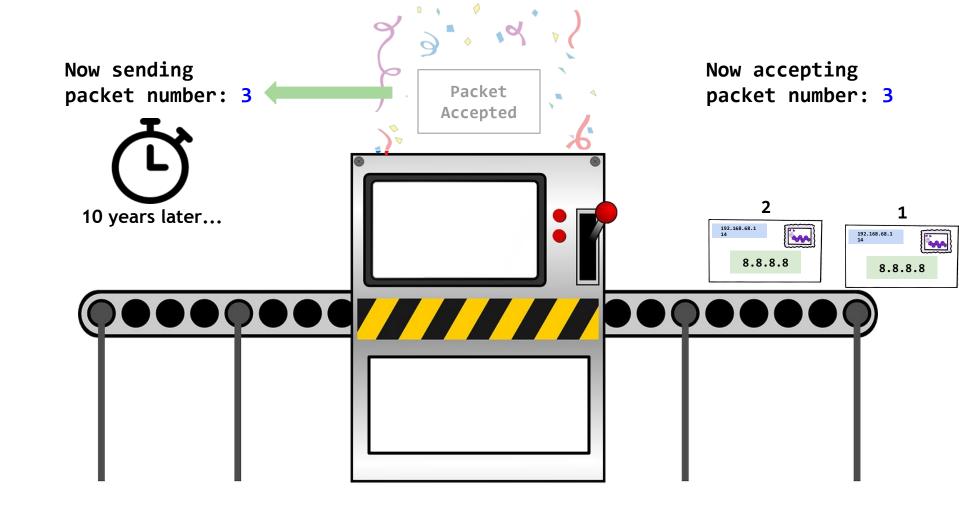
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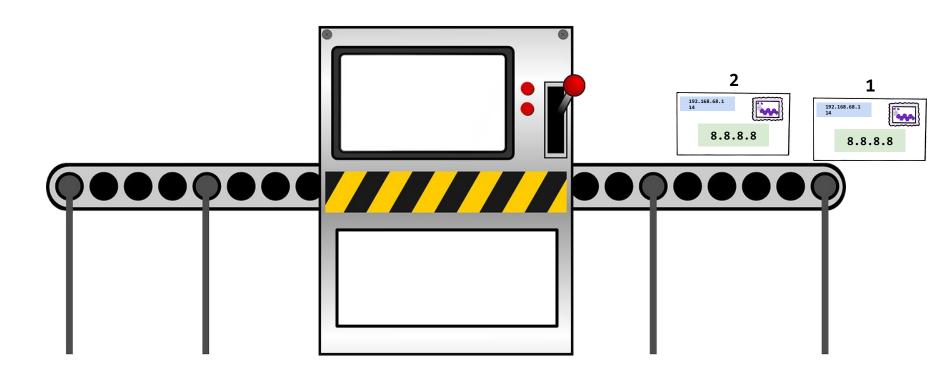




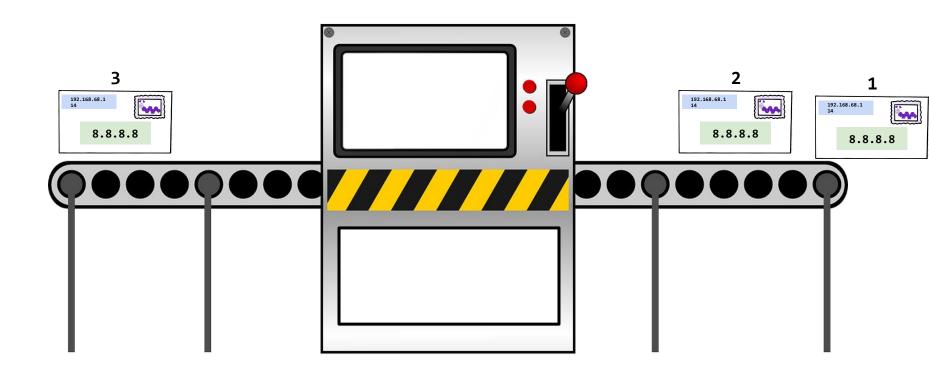




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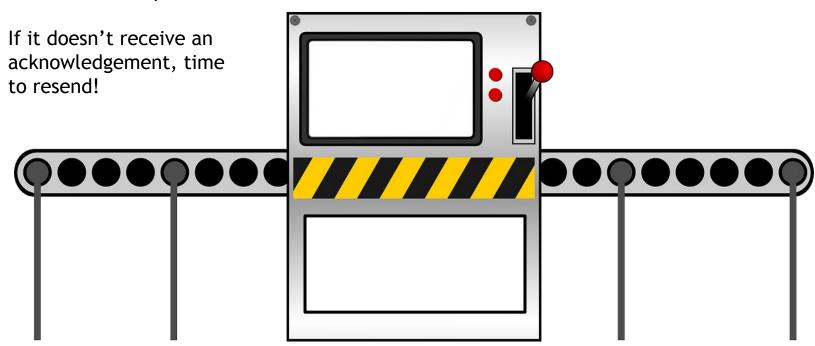


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The sender keeps track of a timeout period and can restransmit packets.



Open problems in networking

- How many segments should the sender send at a time?
 - Too few, and the network is underutilized
 - b. Too many, and the sender overwhelms the network
- 2. How should a sender determine when to retransmit a segment?
 - Too early, and the sender is wasting network resources retransmitting data that the sender already received
 - b. Too late, and latency is increased