

# Telematics Homework #5

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# Broadcast and multicast routing

- Q: What is the difference between broadcast routing and multicast routing?
- Broadcast routing delivers data to all hosts in a particular network
- Multicast routing delivers data to a subset of hosts in a particular network

# Packet duplication

- Q: What are the different methods for packet duplication in multicast routing? Explain the advantages and disadvantages.
- Source duplication
  - + No support from the network required
  - - Duplicate packets on the same links
  - - Source might not know the recipients (esp. broadcast routing)

# Packet duplication (cont'd)

- In-network duplication
  - + No duplicate packets on the same link(s)
  - - Network support required
- Application level duplication
  - + No network support required
  - - Might have duplicate packets on the same link(s)

# Multicast concepts

- Q: Briefly explain the following concepts of multicast routing:
- (Minimal) Spanning tree
  - Subgraph that includes all nodes but only least number of edges so that all nodes are connected
  - Minimal spanning tree: spanning tree with minimal weight of edges (i.e. equal or less than any other spanning tree)

# Multicast concepts (cont'd)

- Shortest path tree
  - Spanning tree that minimizes path costs from given source to any other node
- Source-based tree
  - (Multicast) tree that is specific for any given source node
- (Group-) Shared tree
  - (Multicast) tree that is shared among different source nodes

# Multicast concepts (cont'd)

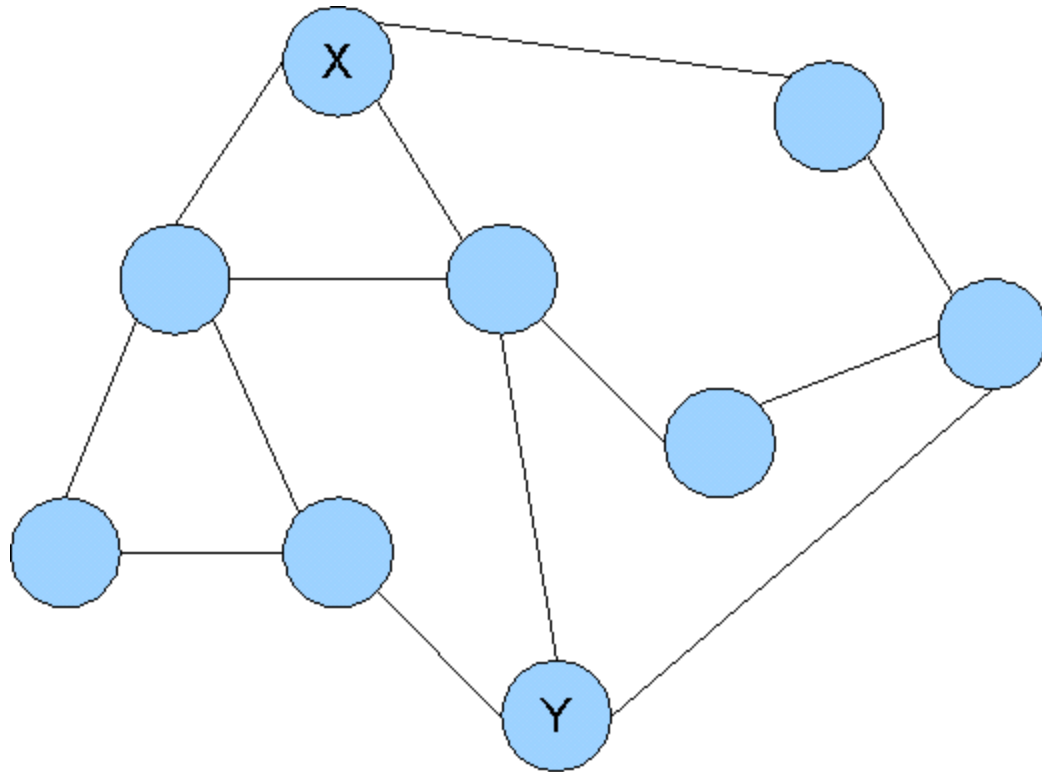
- Reverse path forwarding
  - Forwarding of a (multicast) packet only if it arrived on the same link that a node would use itself to send packets to the source
- Center-based tree
  - (Multicast) tree that is formed when participating nodes add links that connect them to a common source

# Reverse Path Forwarding

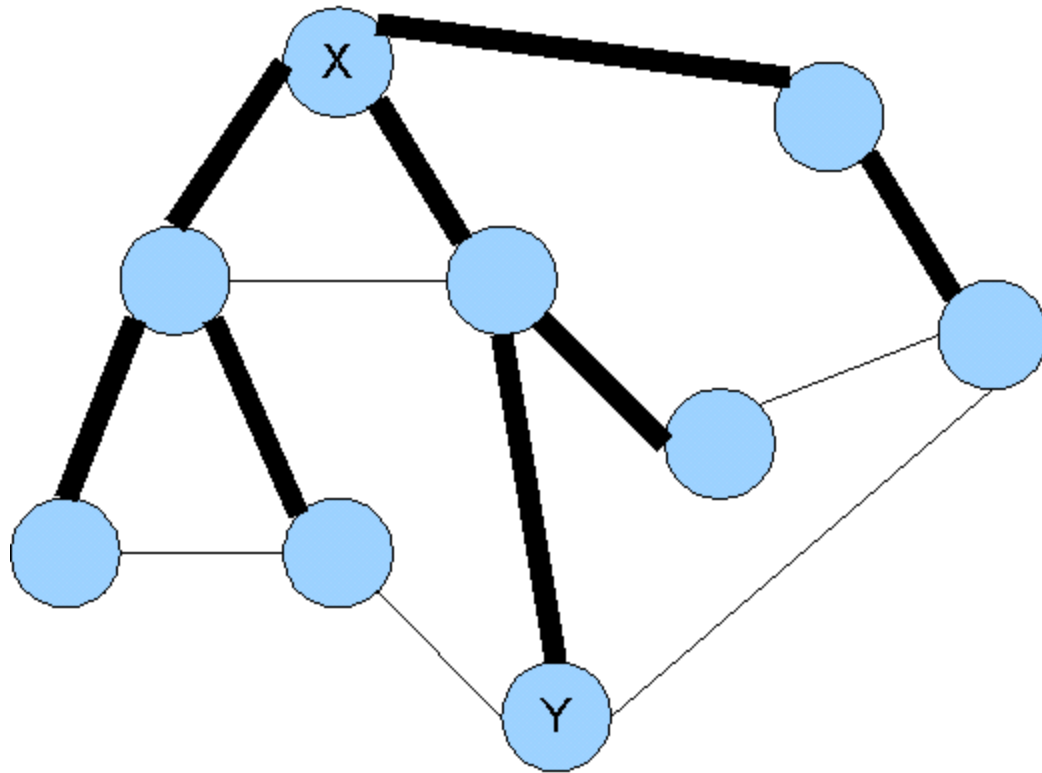
- Q: Given the following network, use Reverse Path Forwarding to create a distribution tree with router X as the source. What happens if router Y does not have any attached nodes that are interested in the multicast data?
  - You can assume that all links have the same weight.



# Reverse Path Forwarding (cont'd)



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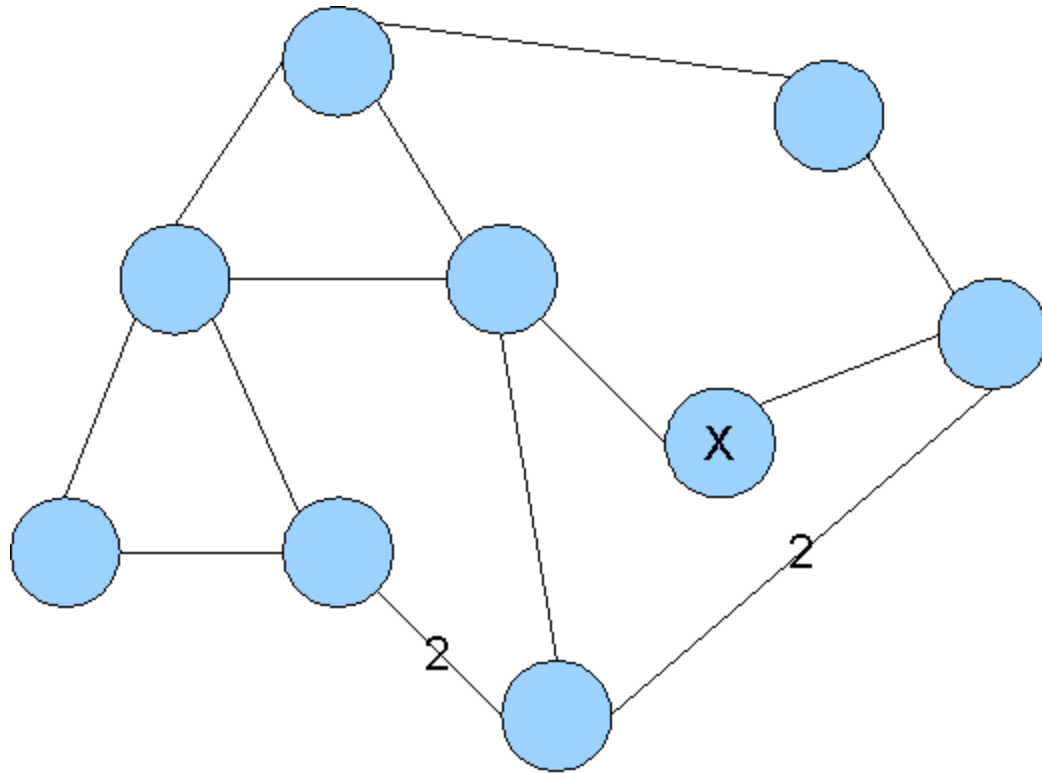
# Reverse Path Forwarding (cont'd)

- If router Y does not have any attached nodes that are interested in the multicast data, it will send a PRUNE message to its upstream node excluding itself from the tree

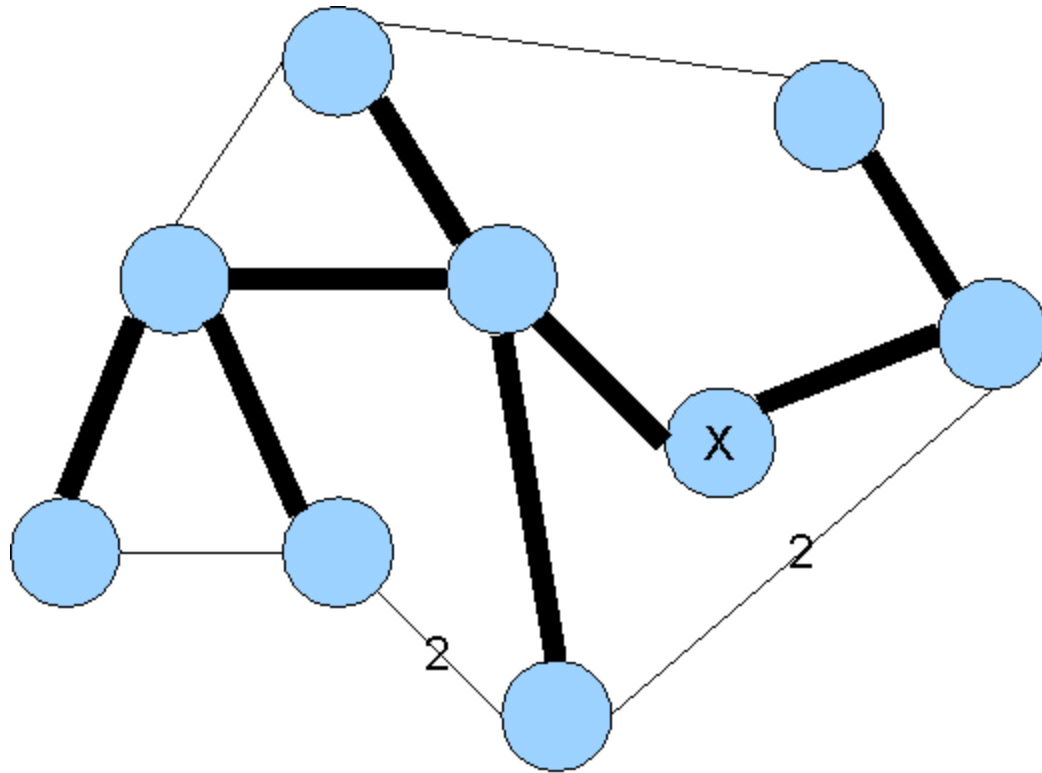
# Center-based distribution tree

- Q: Given the following network, create a center-based distribution tree using router X as the center.
  - Unless noted otherwise, all links have a weight of 1.

# Center-based distribution tree (cont'd)



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# Protocol Independent Multicast

- Q: Compare the two multicast distribution scenarios in Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM).
- Sparse mode
  - Membership upon explicitly join request
  - Receiver- driven distribution tree (e.g., center-based)
  - Conservative bandwidth usage
  - Low processing requirements for non-group routers

# Protocol Independent Multicast (cont'd)

- Dense mode
  - Membership “by default” until explicit prune
  - Data-driven distribution tree (e.g., RPF)
  - Increased bandwidth usage
  - Considerable processing requirements for non-group-routers



# Mobility

- Q: Explain three basic approaches to mobility. Name their advantages and disadvantages.
- Routing-based
  - Routers is responsible for mobility management
  - Routers advertise path to mobile node via usual routing table exchange
  - Routing tables indicate where mobile node is located
  - + No changes to end-systems
  - -- Does not scale well

# Mobility (cont'd)

- Host-based (indirect routing)
  - Home agent relays data between correspondent node and mobile node
  - Mobile node has a permanent address that is routed through home agent

# Mobility (cont'd)

- Host-based (indirect routing)
  - + No exposure of current location of mobile node
  - + No changes to the corresponding node
  - + Ongoing connections can be maintained when mobile node moves
  - - Inefficient routing (triangular routing)
  - - Changes to end host
  - - Home agent is bottleneck

# Mobility (cont'd)

- Host-based (direct routing)
  - Correspondent node gets current address of mobile node from its home agent
  - Correspondent node communicates directly with mobile node

# Mobility (cont'd)

- Host-based (direct routing)
  - + Efficient routing
  - + Home agent isn't a bottleneck
  - - Exposure of current location of mobile node
  - - Changes to the corresponding node as well as mobile node required
  - - Difficult to maintain ongoing connections when mobile node moves

# Mobile IP

- Q: Name the entities involved in a mobility scenario using Mobile IP and briefly explain their function.
- Home agent
  - Maintains permanent address for mobile node (home address)
  - Handles binding of permanent address to care-of address

# Mobile IP (cont'd)

- Foreign agent
  - Maintains current address for mobile node (care-of address)
  - Registers care-of address with home agent
- Mobile node
  - The host which requires mobility support
- Correspondent node
  - The host which communicates with the mobile node

# Agent discovery

- Q: How does a mobile node discover a mobility agent in it's current network and how can it obtain a care-of address?
- Agents (foreign agent & home agent) send out periodic ICMP messages (type 9)
  - They are called agent advertisement messages



# Agent discovery (cont'd)

- Advertisements of foreign agent include a list of available care-of addresses
  - Mobile node sends registration request for specific care-of address
  - Foreign agent acknowledges with registration reply message

# Thank you

Any questions?