

On Redundant Multipath Operating System Support for Wireless Mesh Networks

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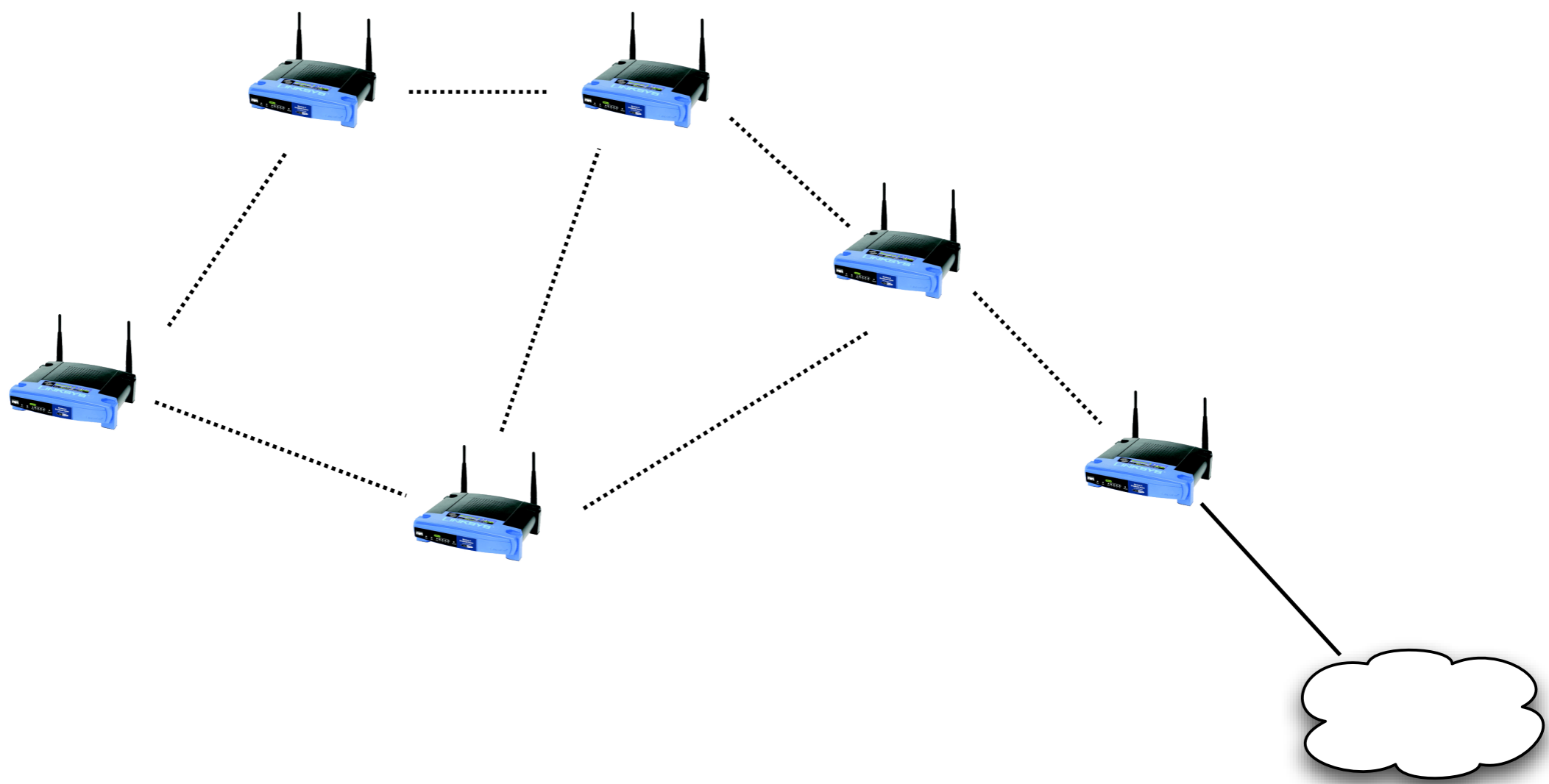


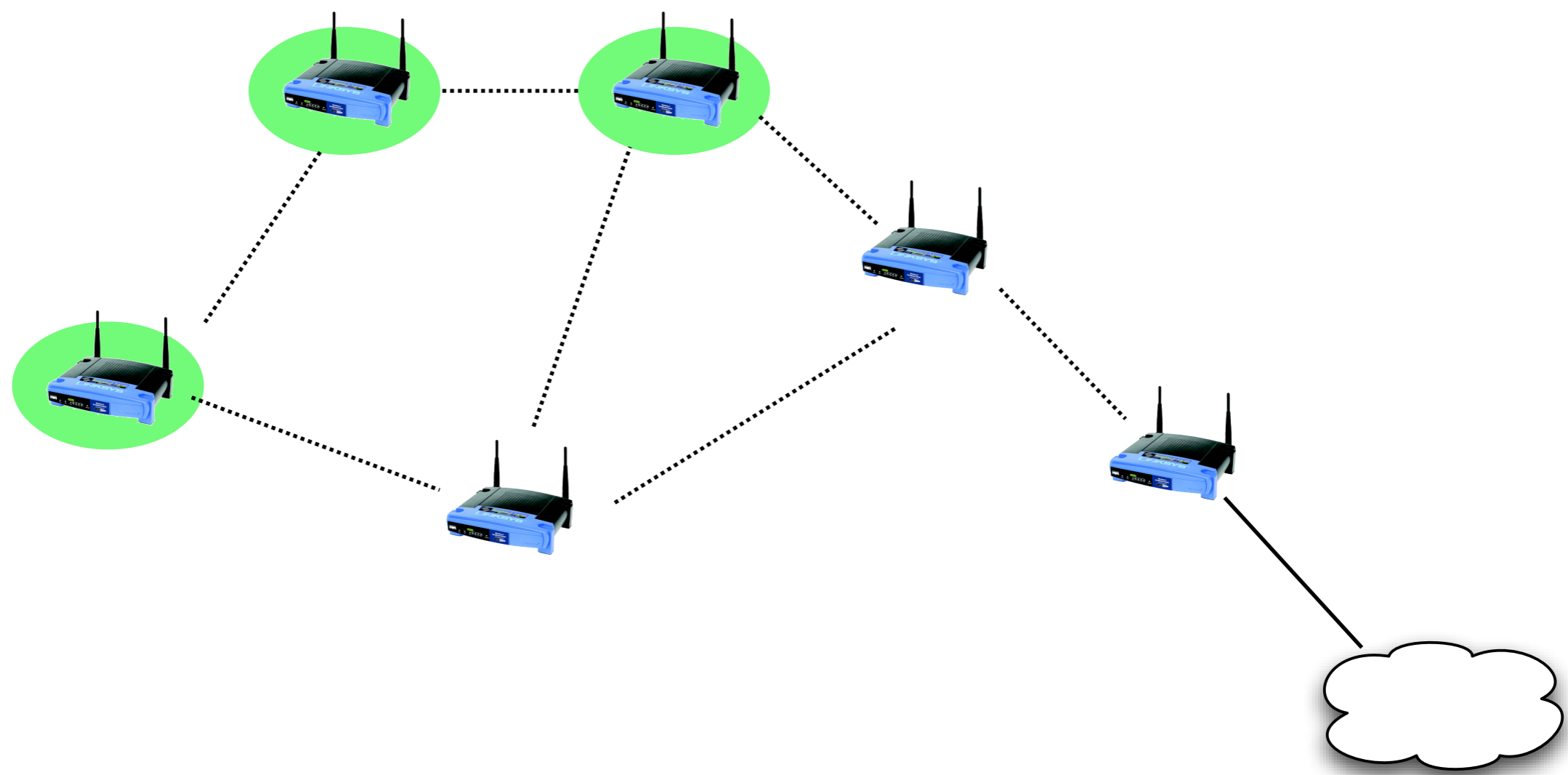
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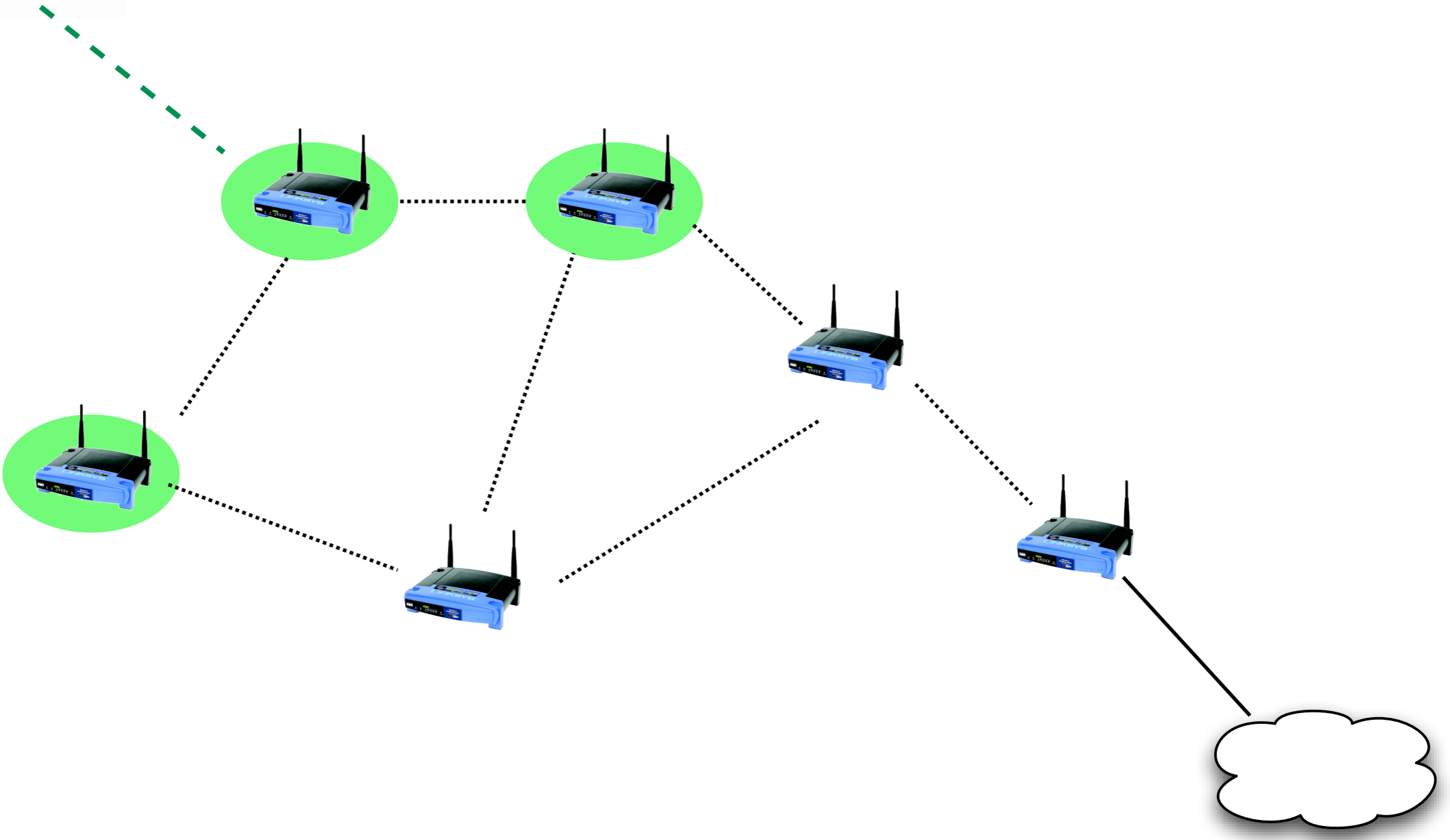


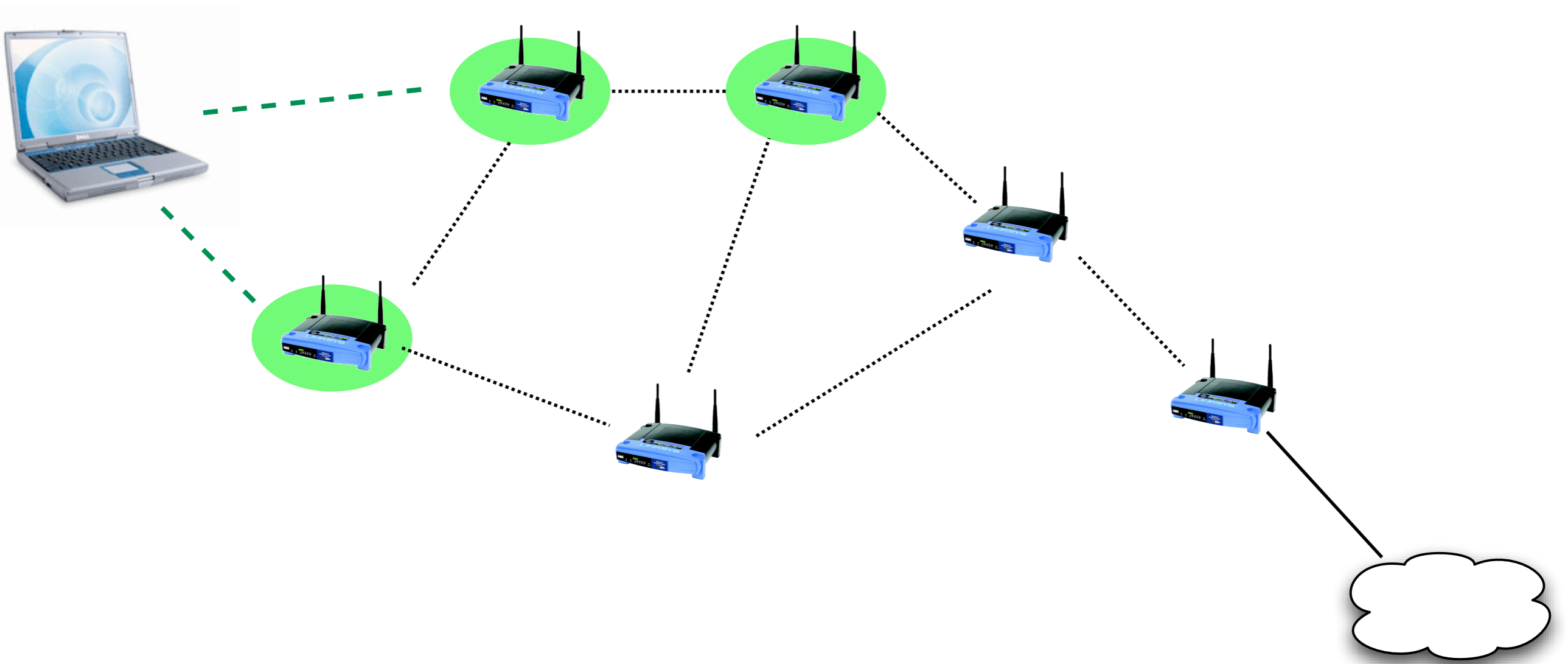


SMesh story









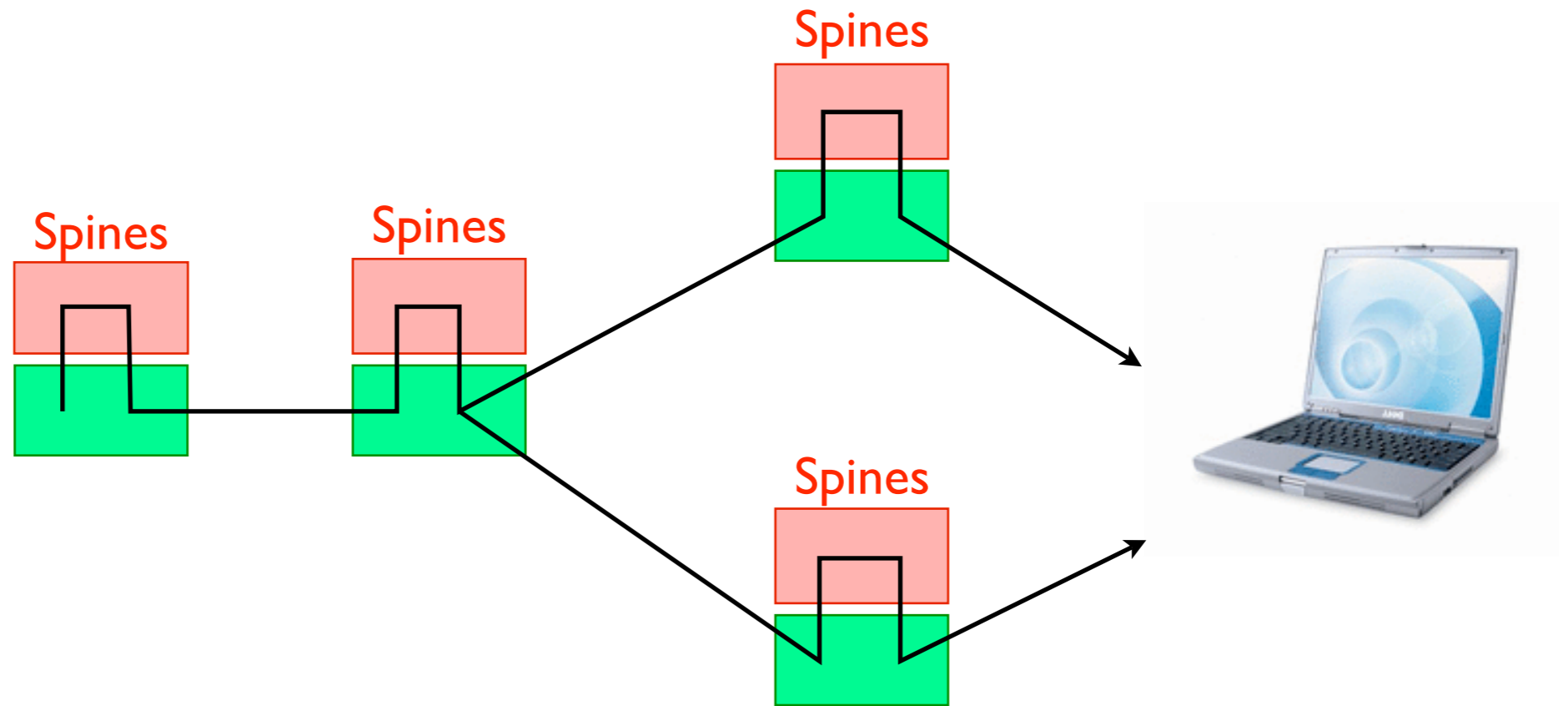
Redundant multipath routing is an essential service for increasing reliability in wireless mesh networks.



Redundant multipath is not natively **supported** by current operating systems.



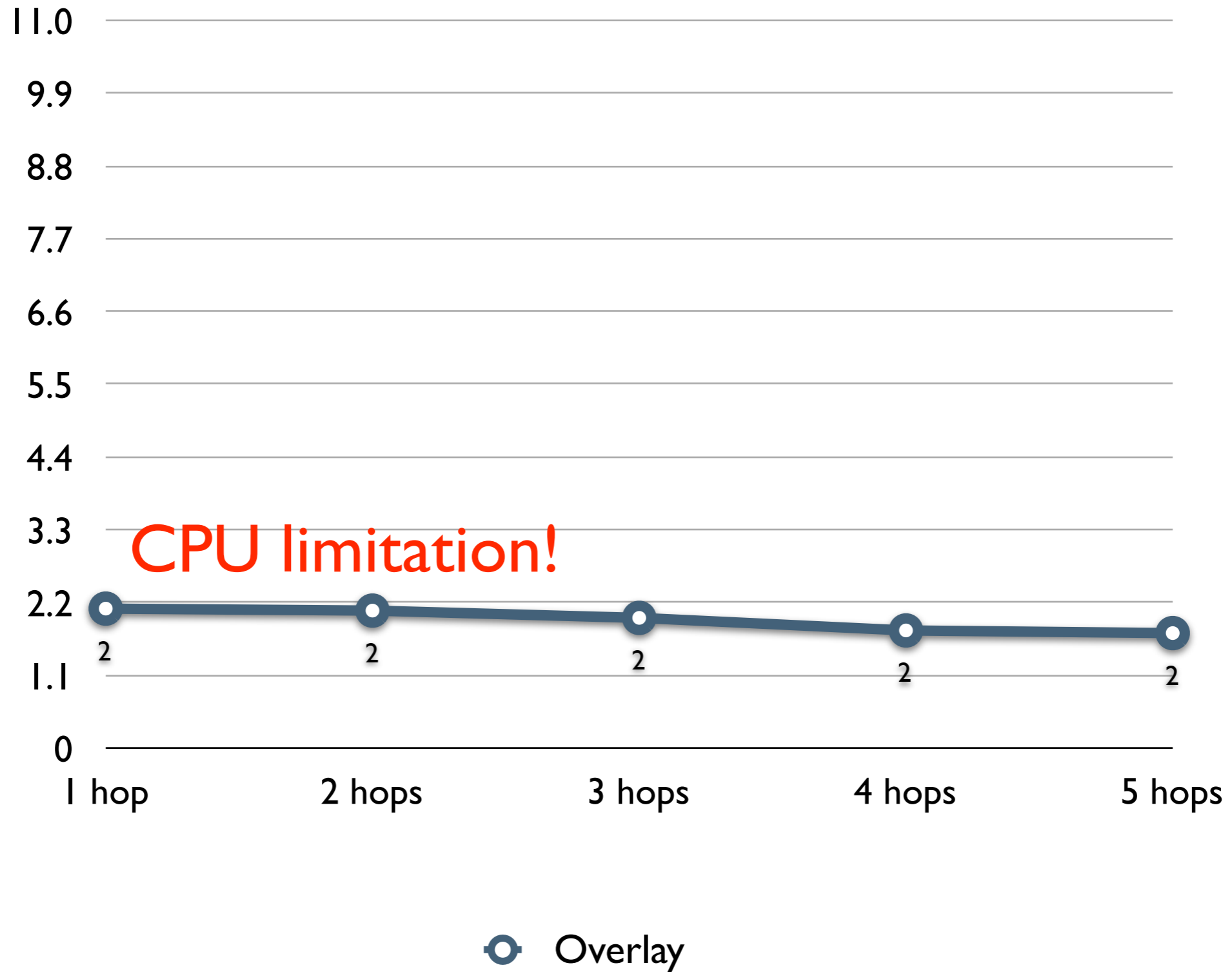
User space
Kernel space



A cost effective wireless mesh deployment requires **low-cost** mesh nodes.



TCP Throughput (Mbps)



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User space

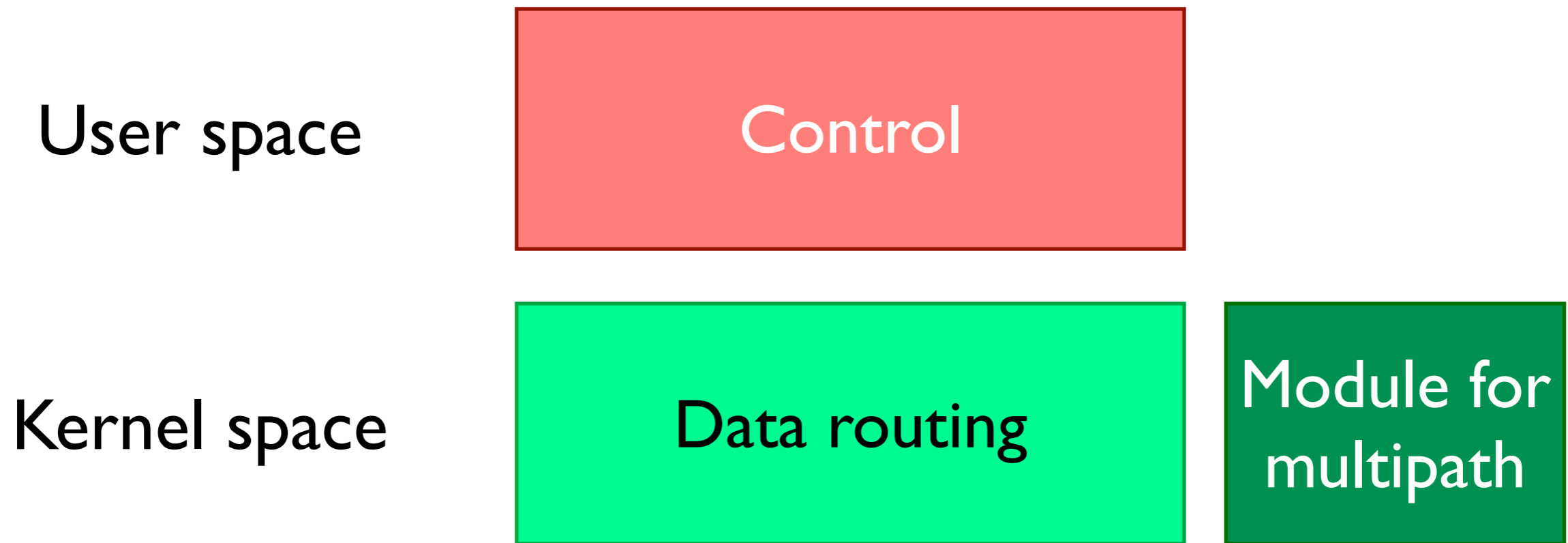


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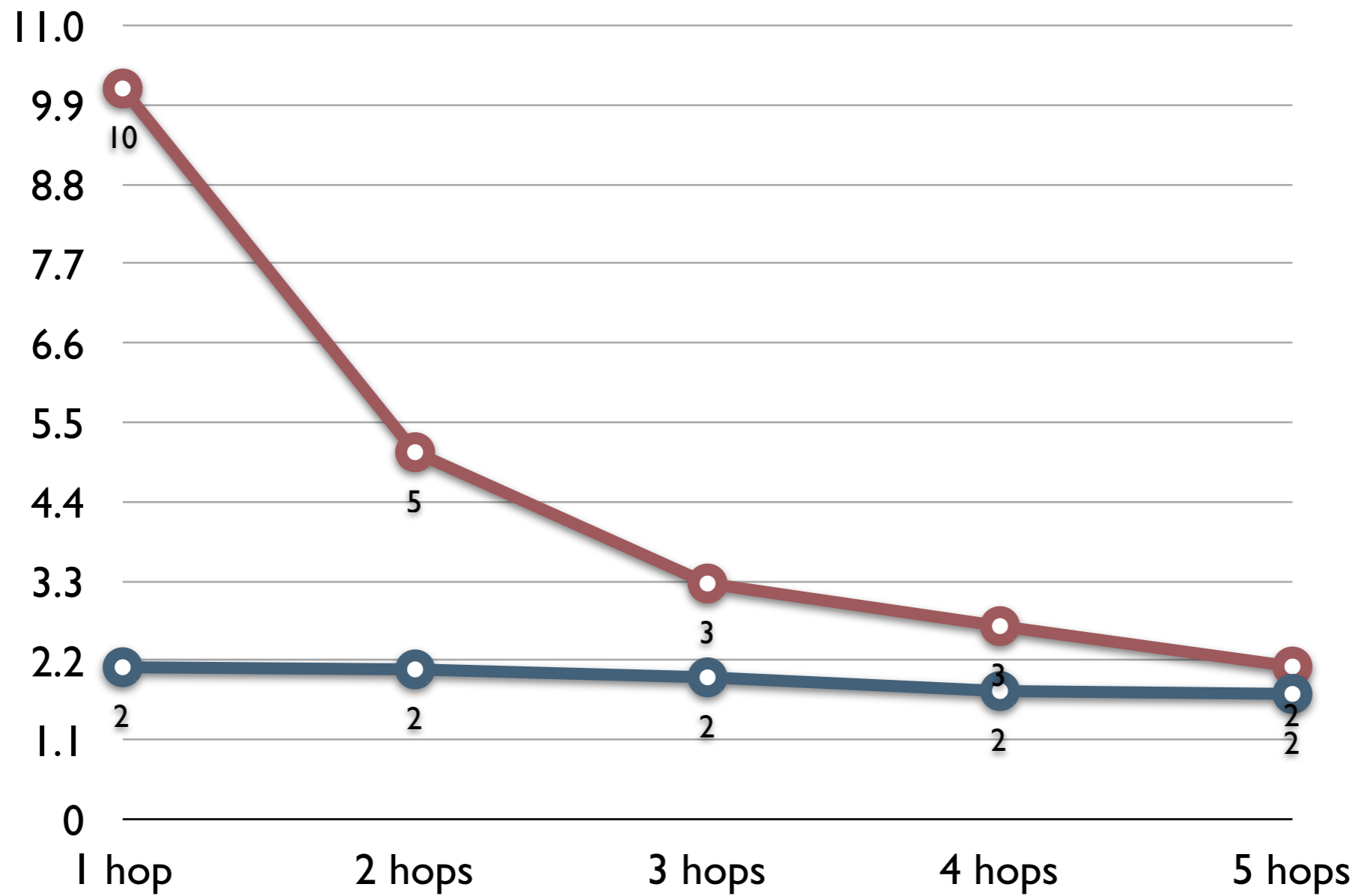
Kernel space

Data routing

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TCP Throughput (Mbps)



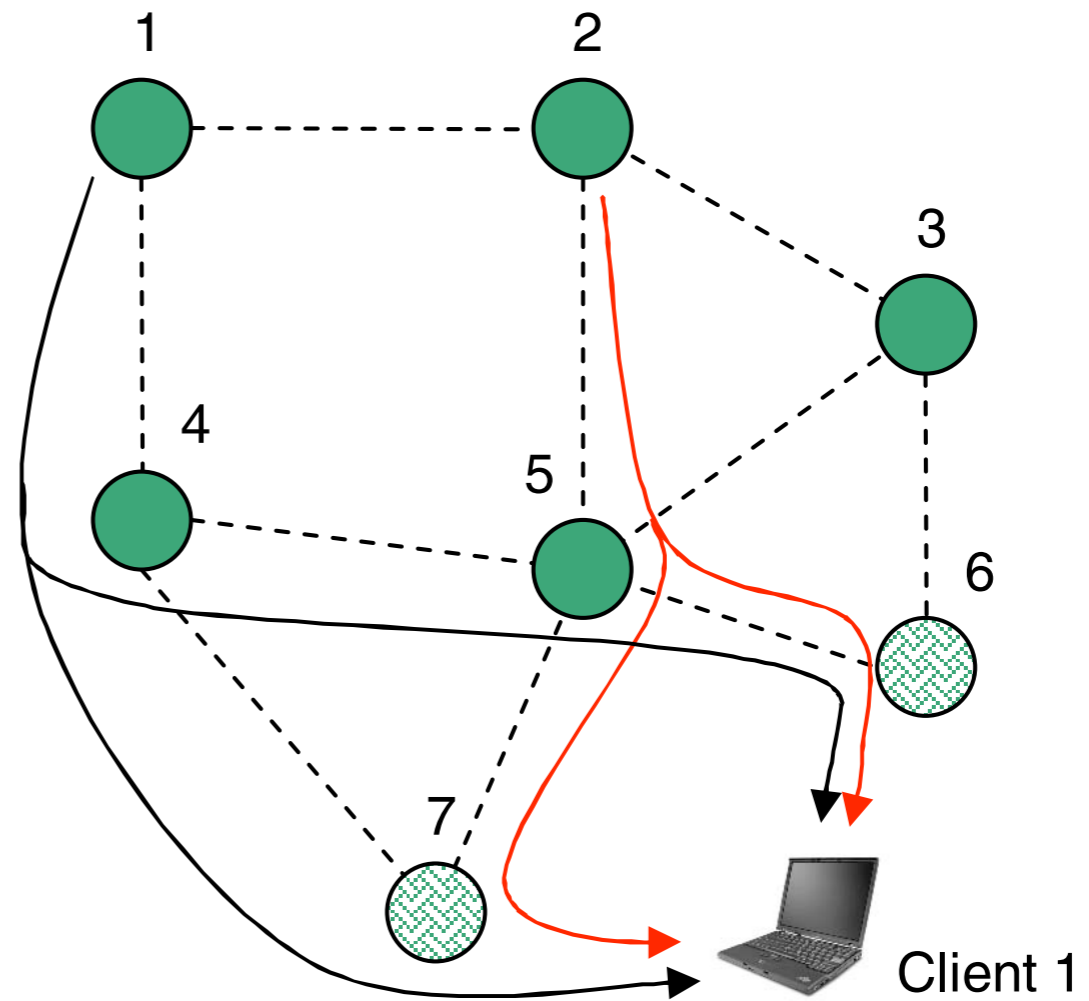
○ Overlay

○ Redundat Multipath

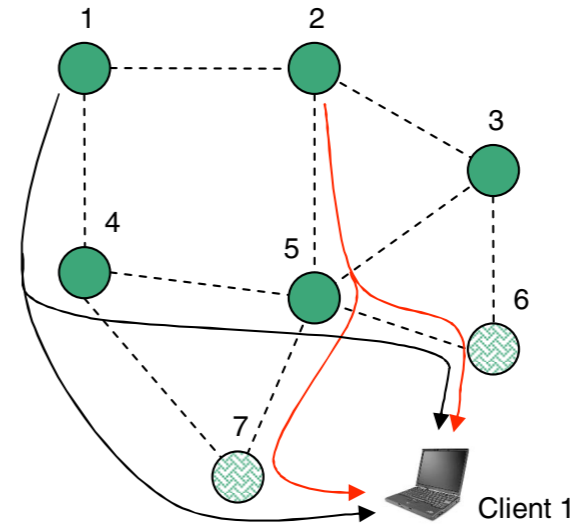
Architecture



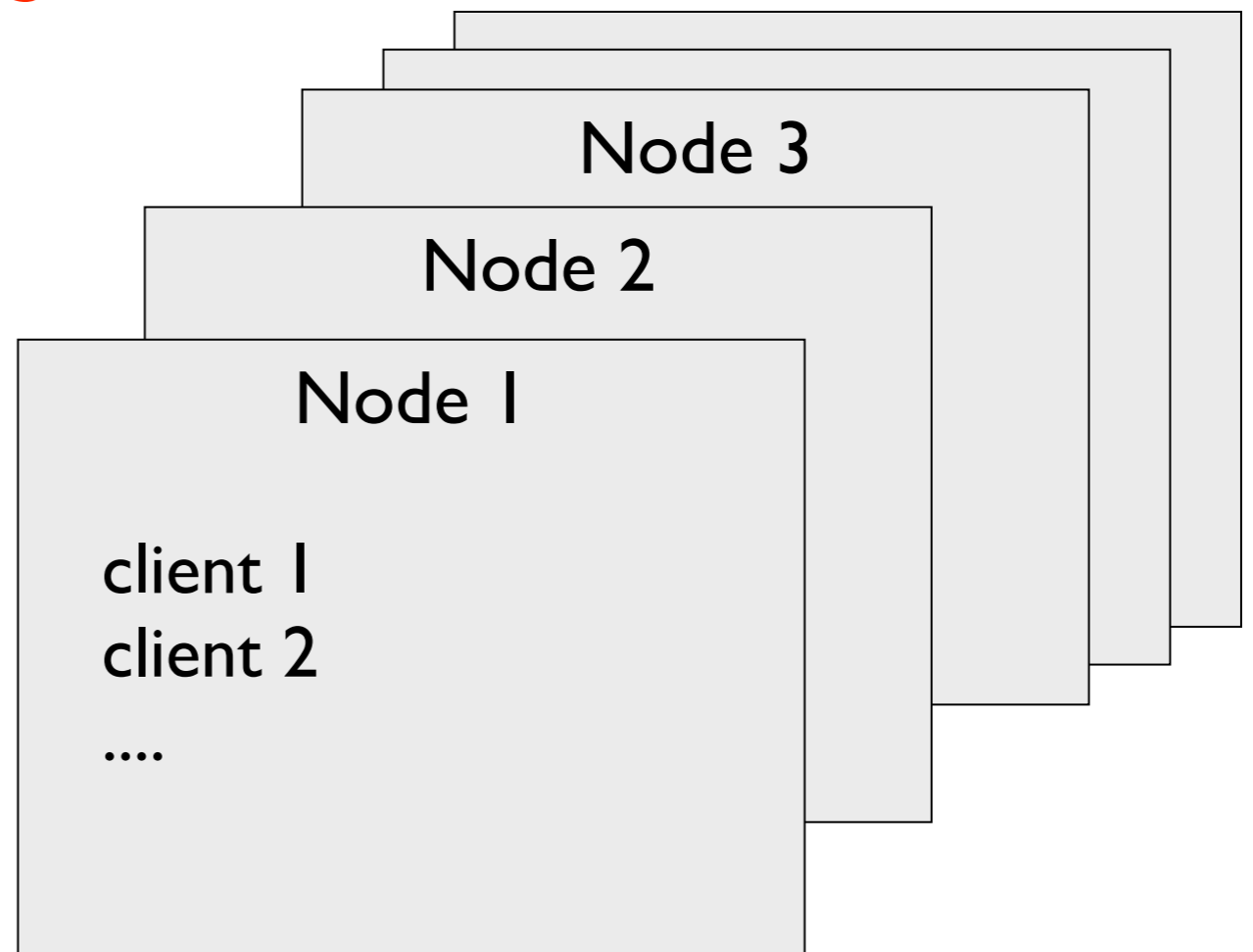
To route,
consider
entry point,
in addition to
destination
address.



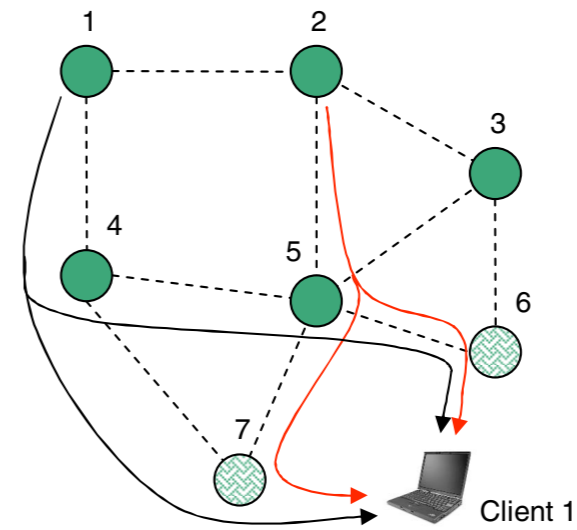
We use **multiple routing tables.**



Node 5

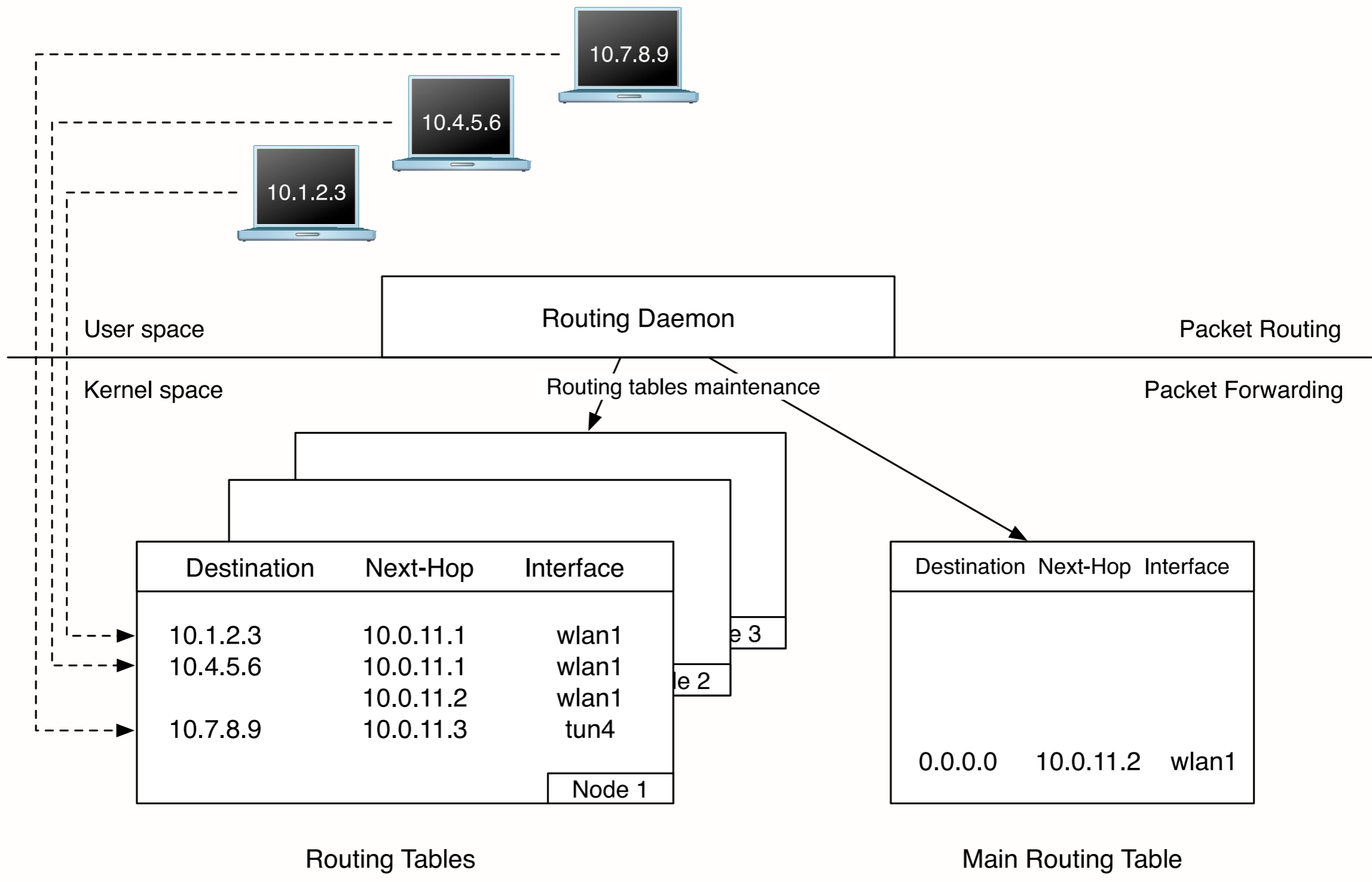


Each route may have **multiple next-hops.**



Node 5

Node 1	
Destination	Next-hops
client 1	6, 7
client 2	3
...	...



User space

Routing Daemon

Packet Routing

Kernel space

Routing tables maintenance

Packet Forwarding

Destination	Next-Hop	Interface
10.1.2.3	10.0.11.1	wlan1
10.4.5.6	10.0.11.1	wlan1
10.7.8.9	10.0.11.2	wlan1
	10.0.11.3	tun4

Interface 3

Interface 2

Node 1

Routing Tables

Destination	Next-Hop	Interface
0.0.0.0	10.0.11.2	wlan1

Main Routing Table

Implementation



Encode entry
node in the
packet's
IP header.

0						7	8							15	16										23	24							31		
Version				IHL				TOS								Total length																			
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Use
policy routing
and define
multiple routing
tables.

```
# iptables -A PREROUTING -t mangle  
-m u32 --u32 "0xFFFF=35"  
-j MARK --set-mark 35
```



```
# ip rule add fwmark 35 table 35
```



CONFIG_IP_ROUTE_MULTIPATH

```
# ip route add 10.233.59.169/32 table 35  
    nexthop via 10.0.11.32 dev eth1  
    nexthop via 10.0.11.33 dev eth1
```

Use
MULTIHOP
Netfilter
module.

MULTIHOP

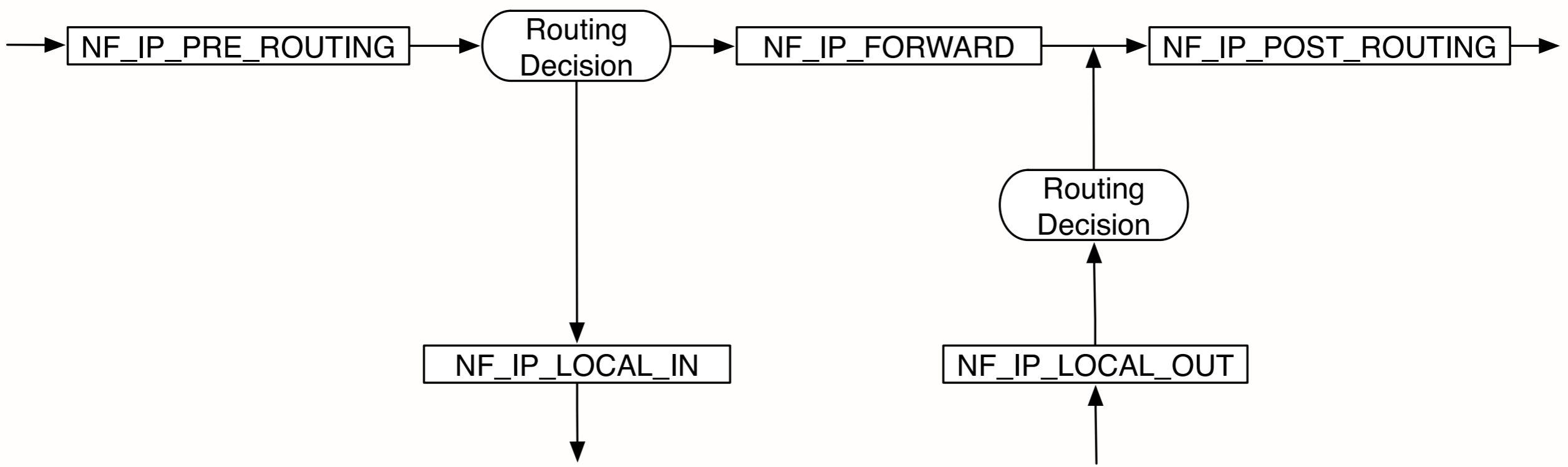


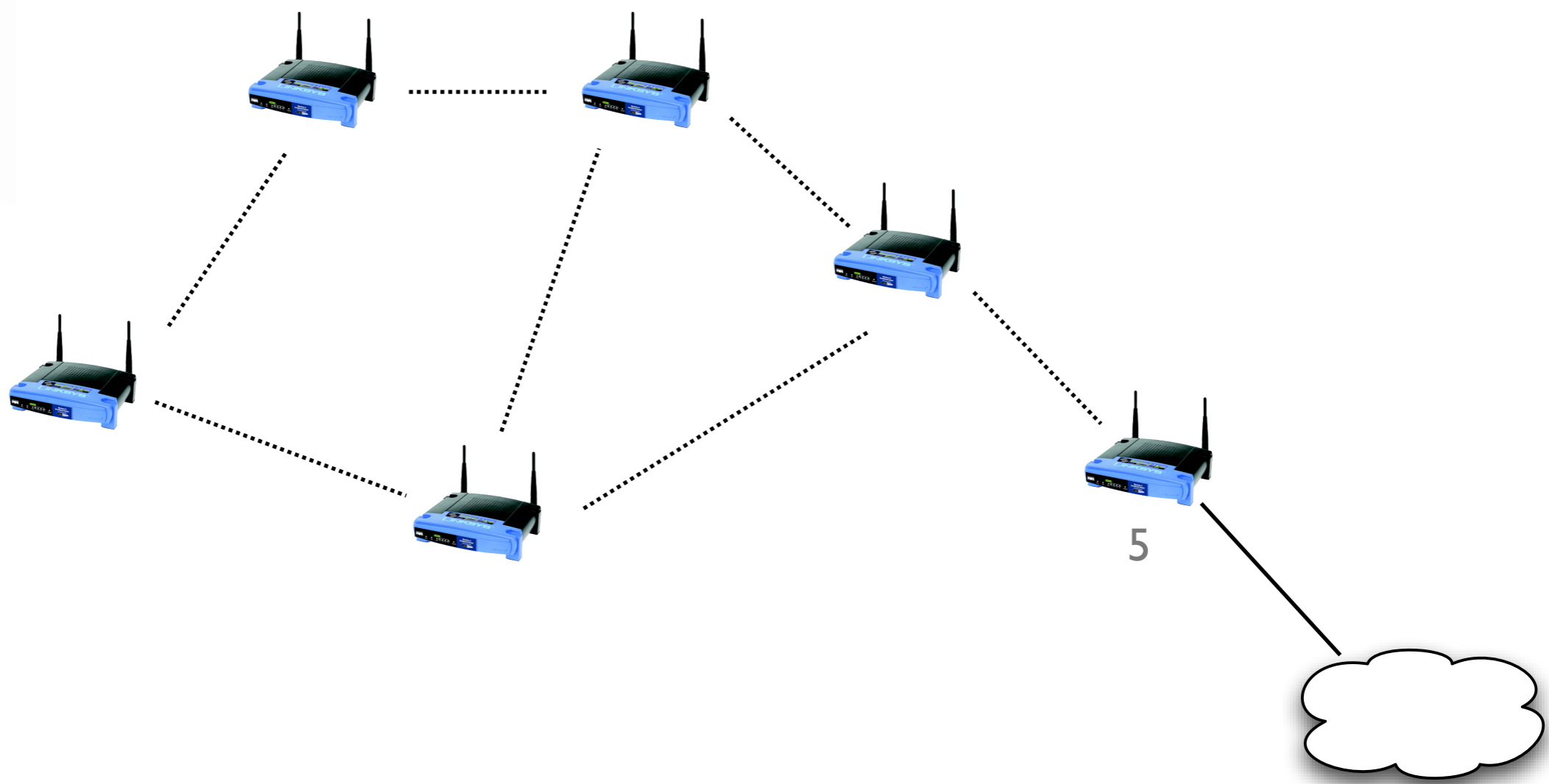
entry point: set IPID
set TOS

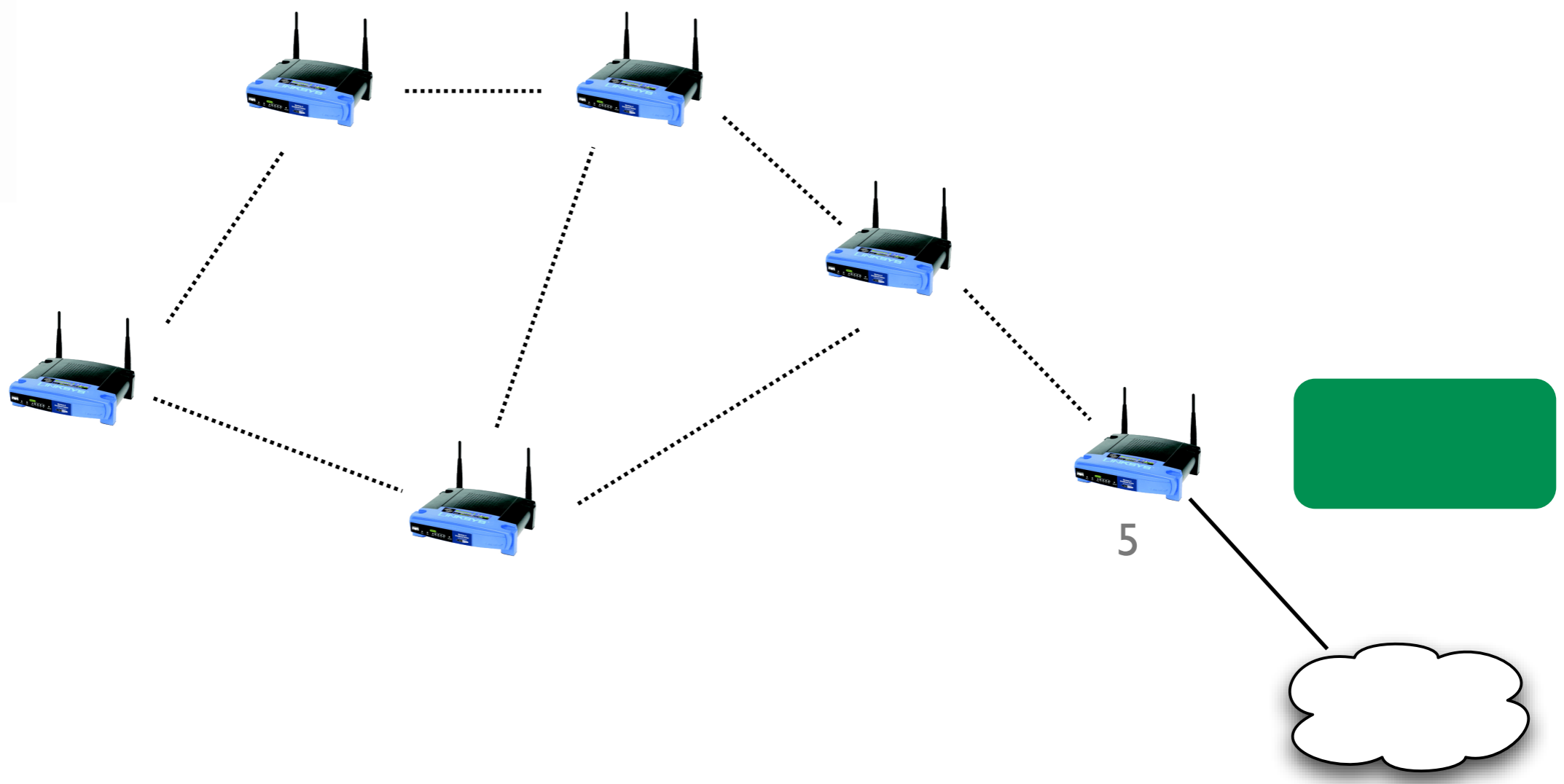
all routers: set fwmark

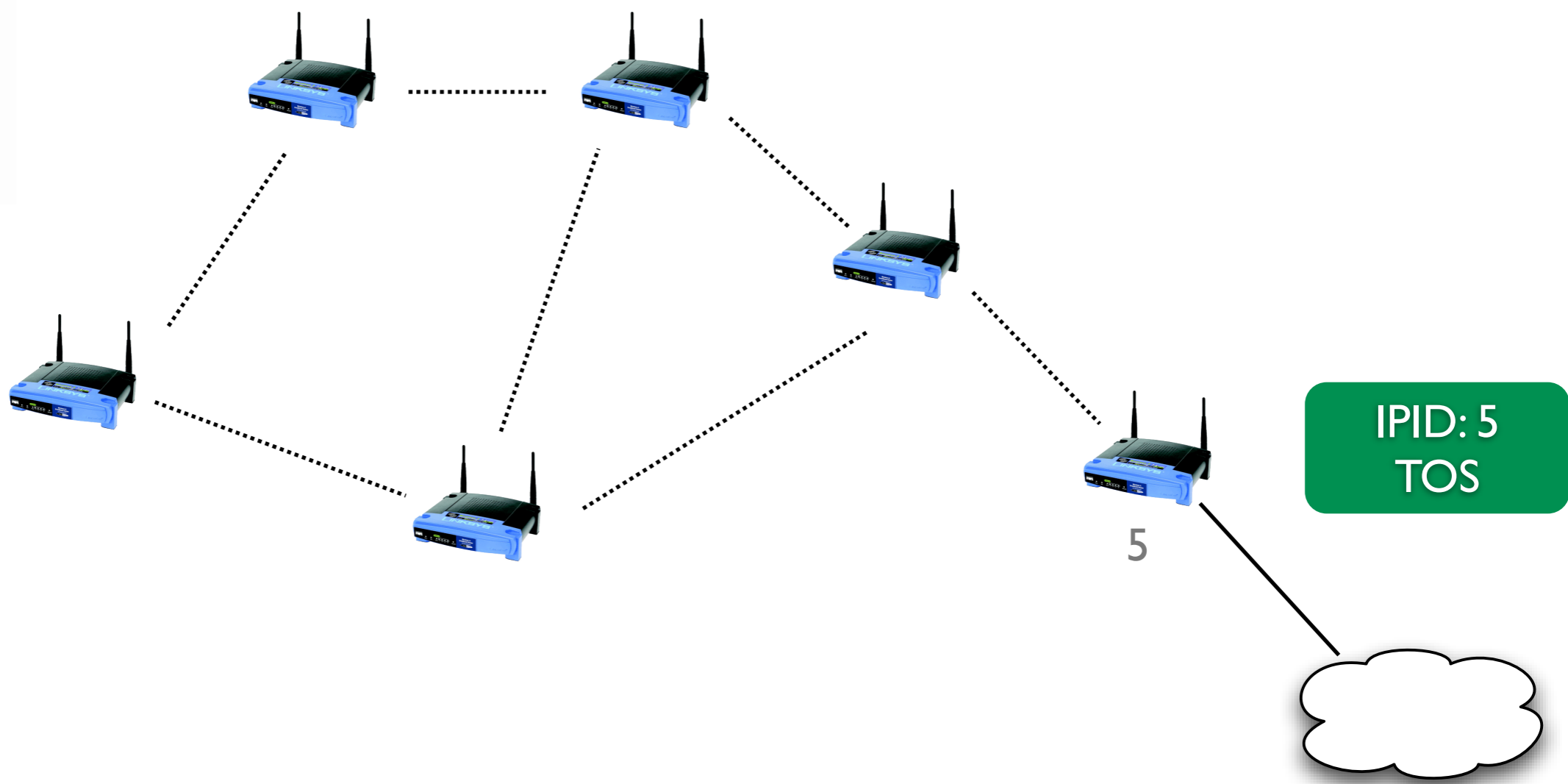
fwmark

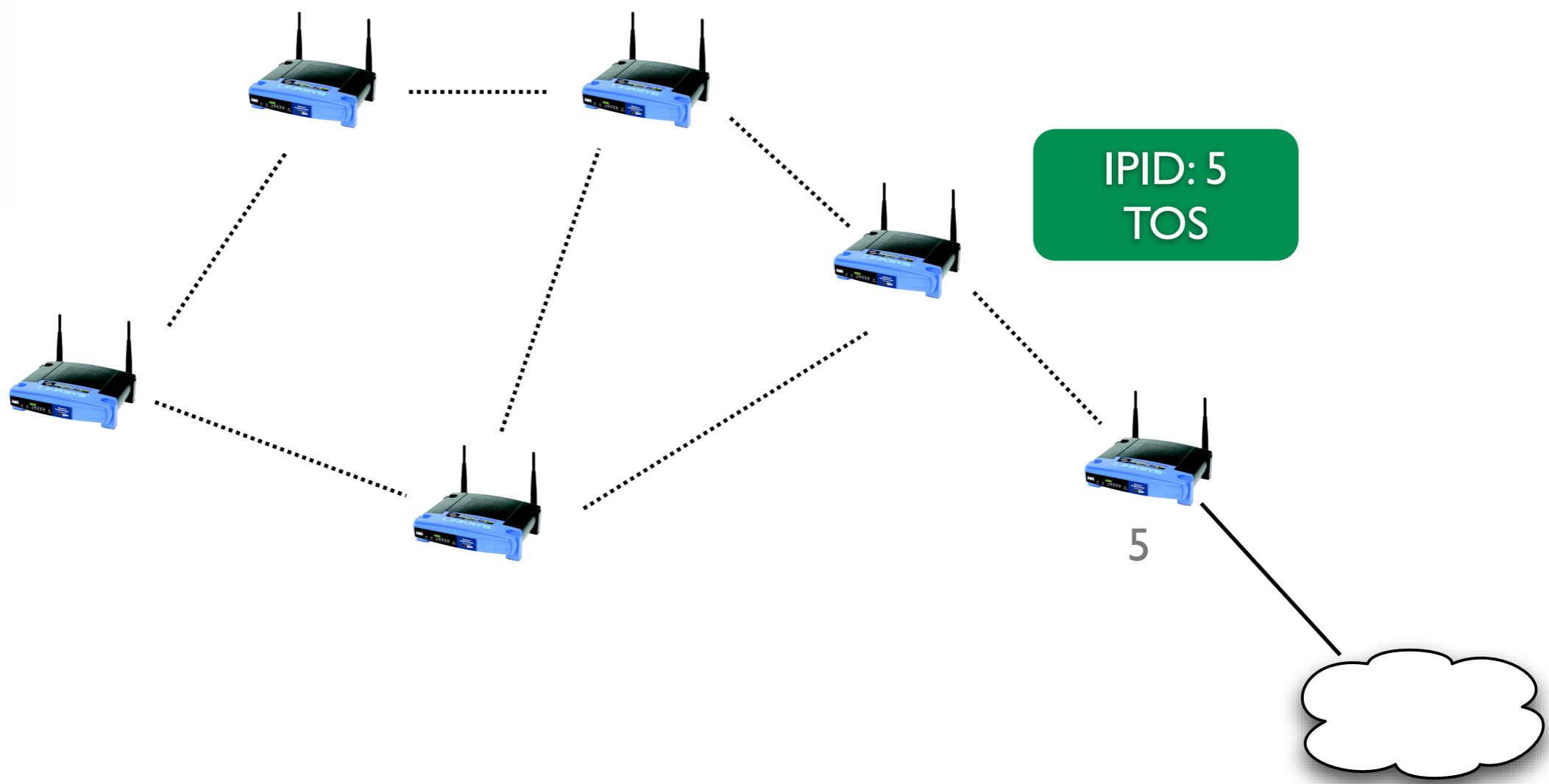
MULTIHOP



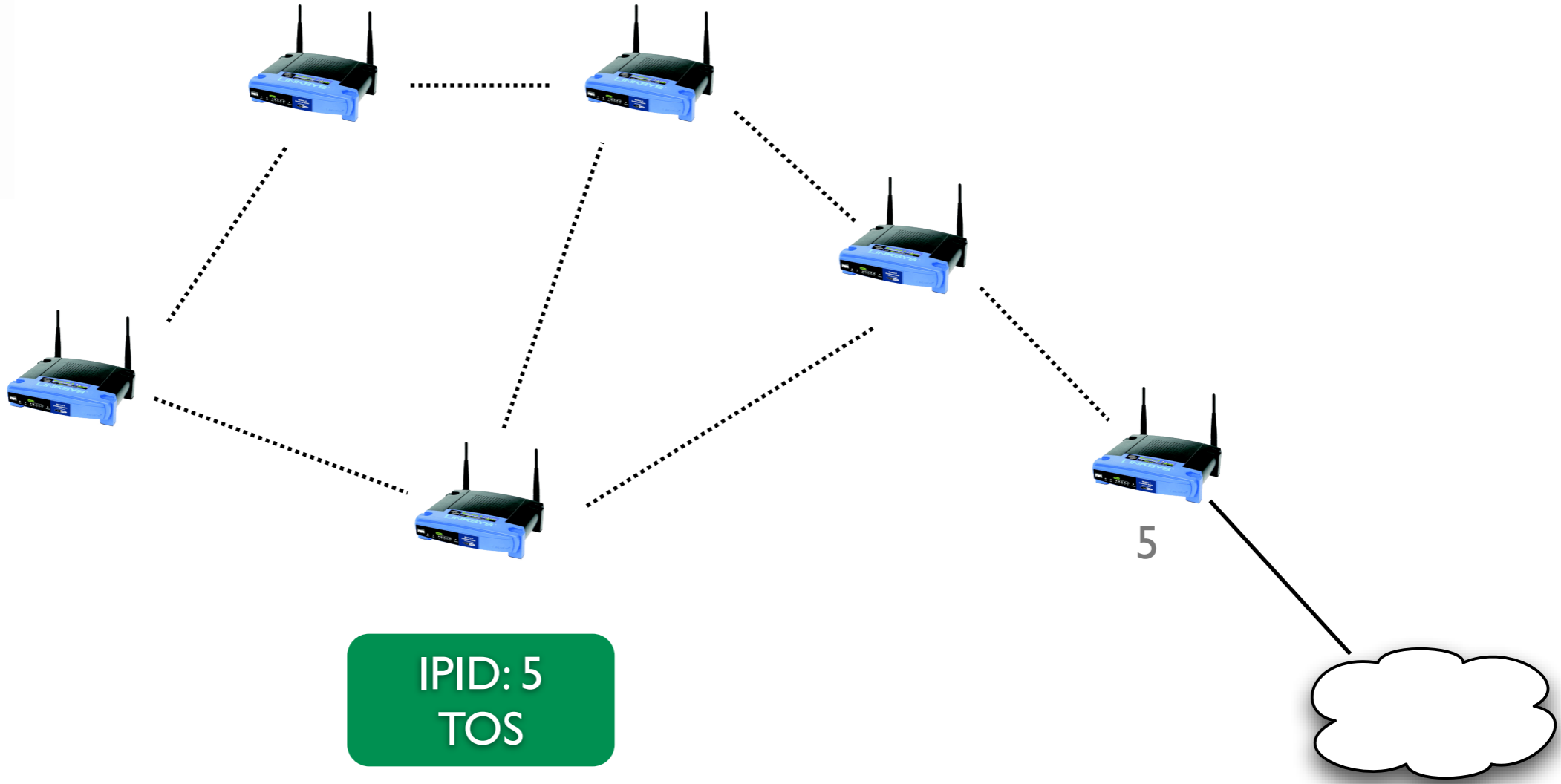








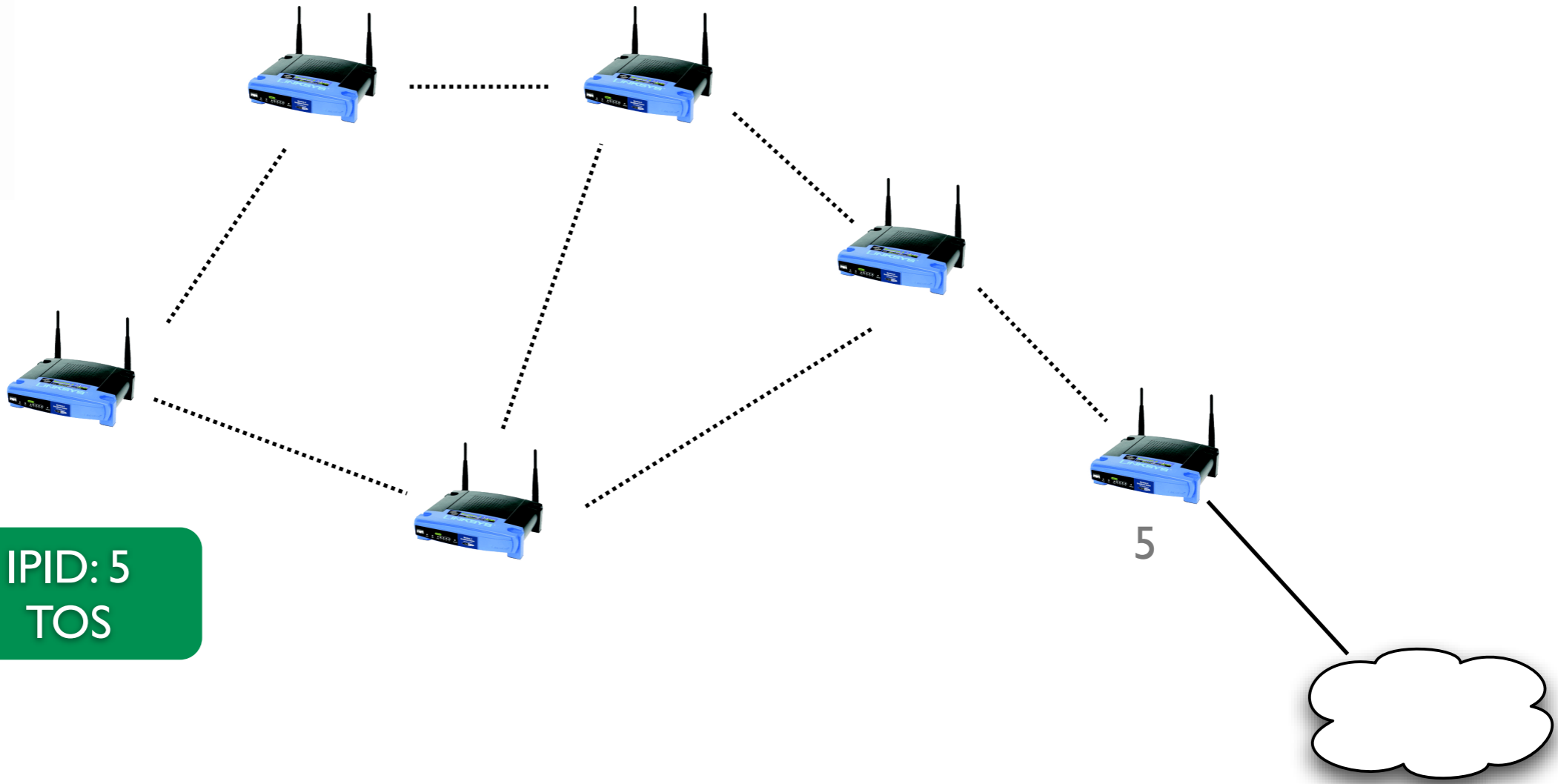
IPID: 5
TOS

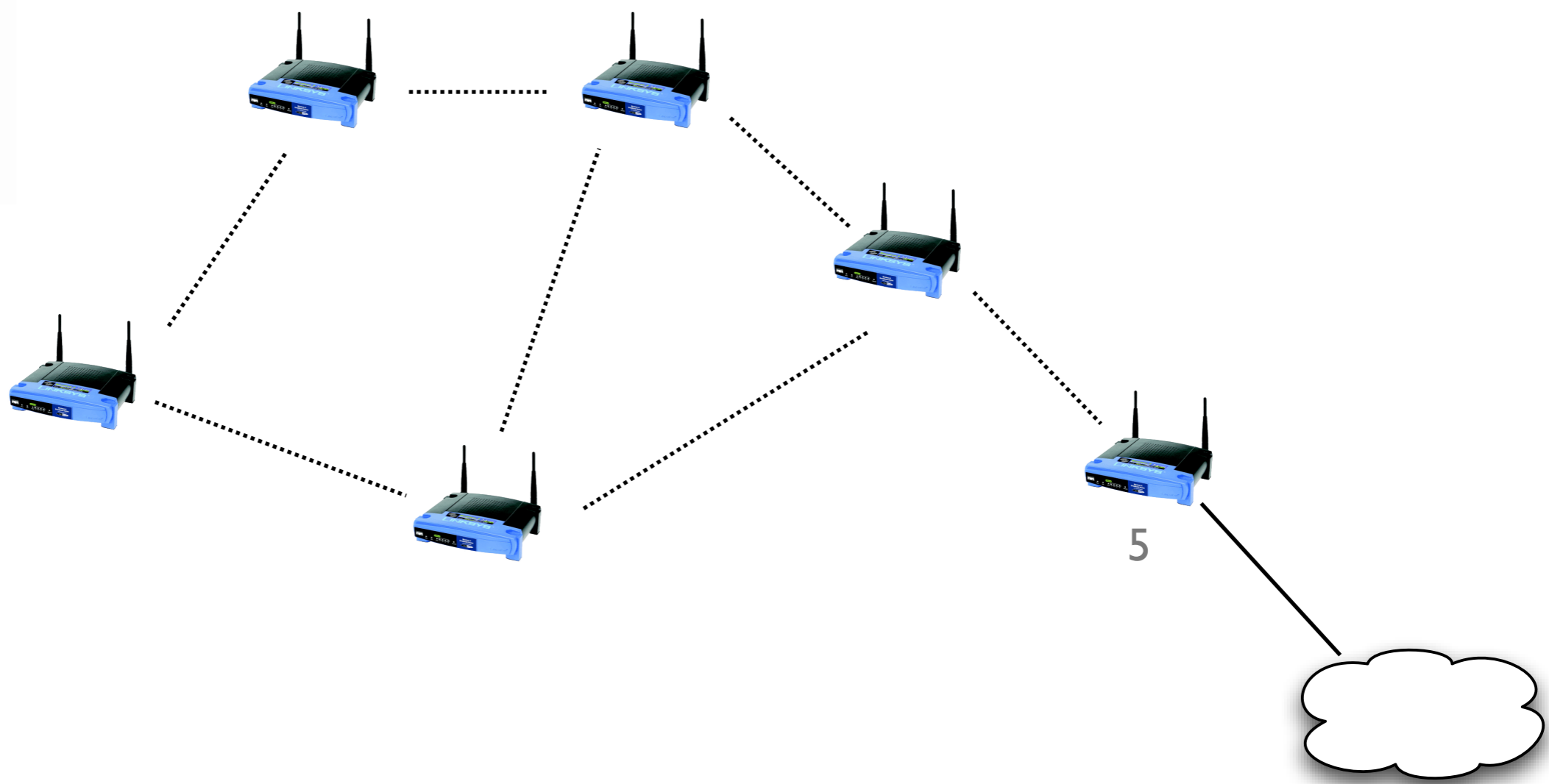




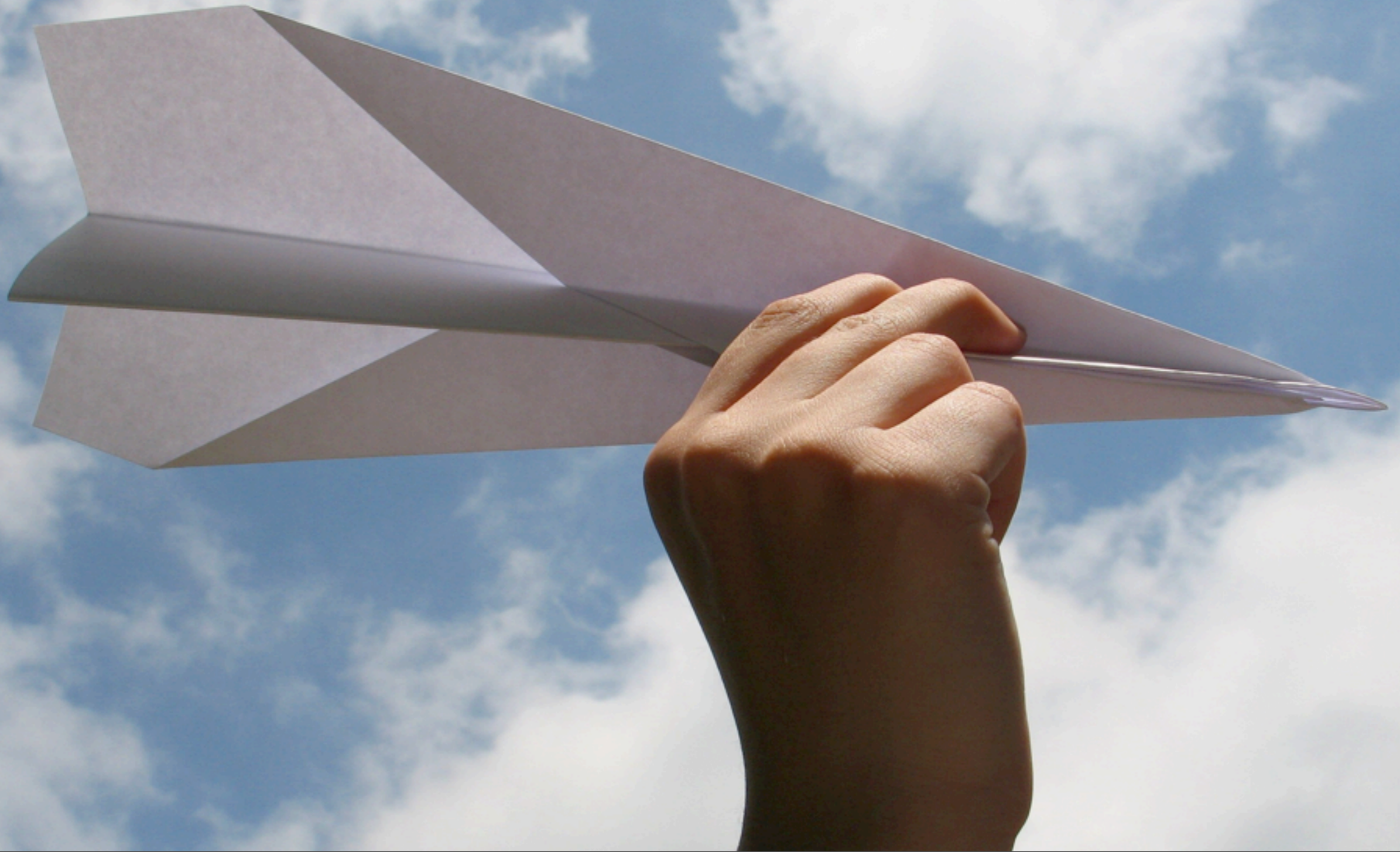
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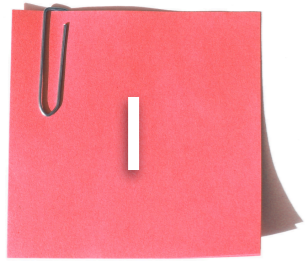
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Evaluation

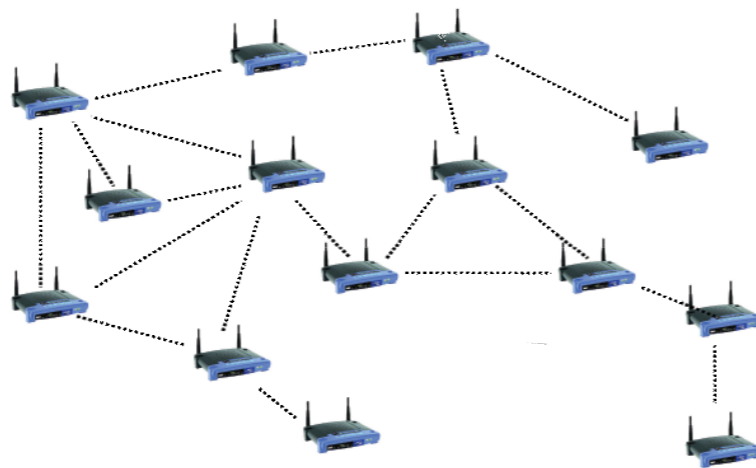




One router



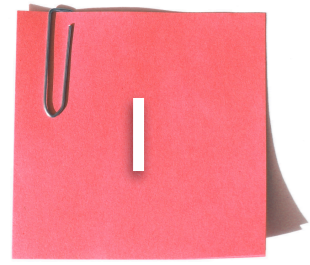
5 nodes
wireless
"line" setup



17 nodes
wireless
testbed

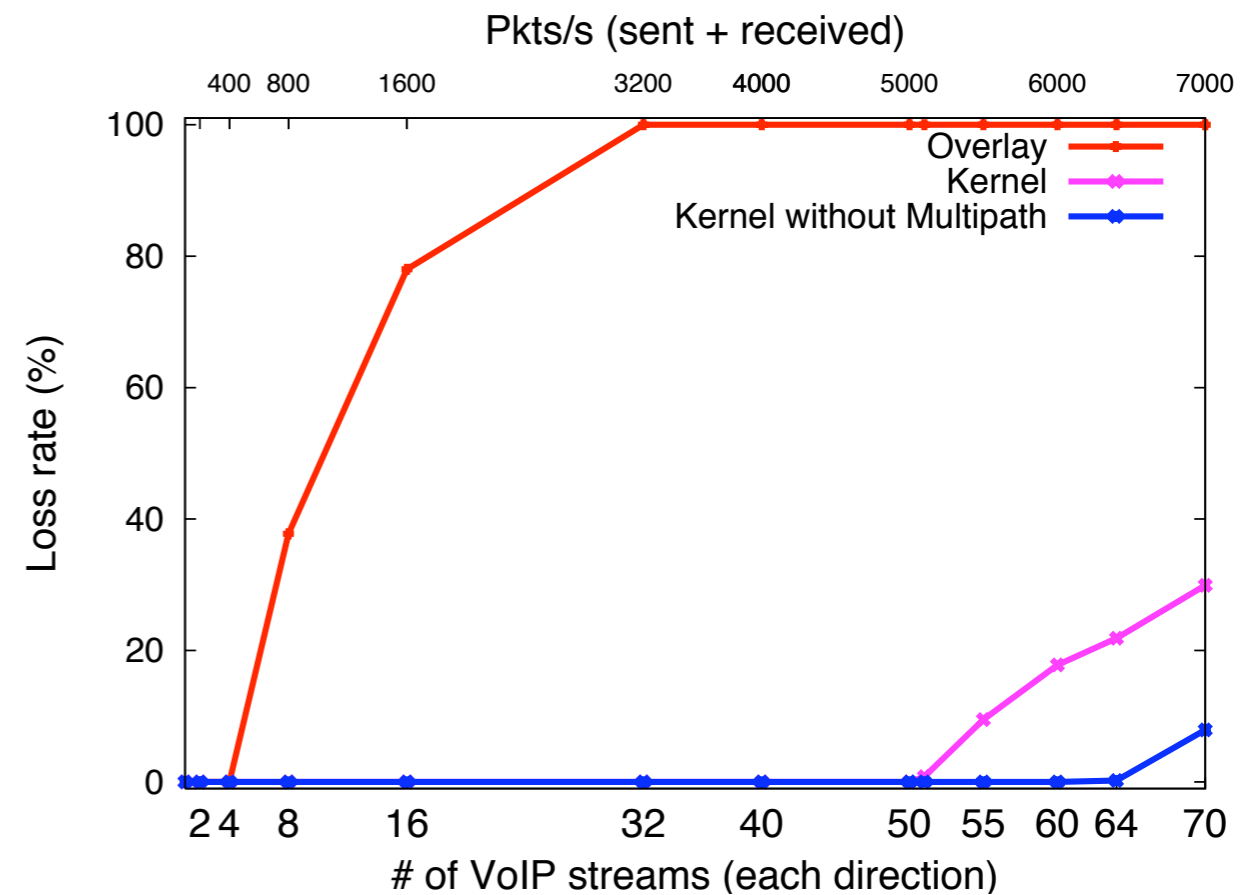
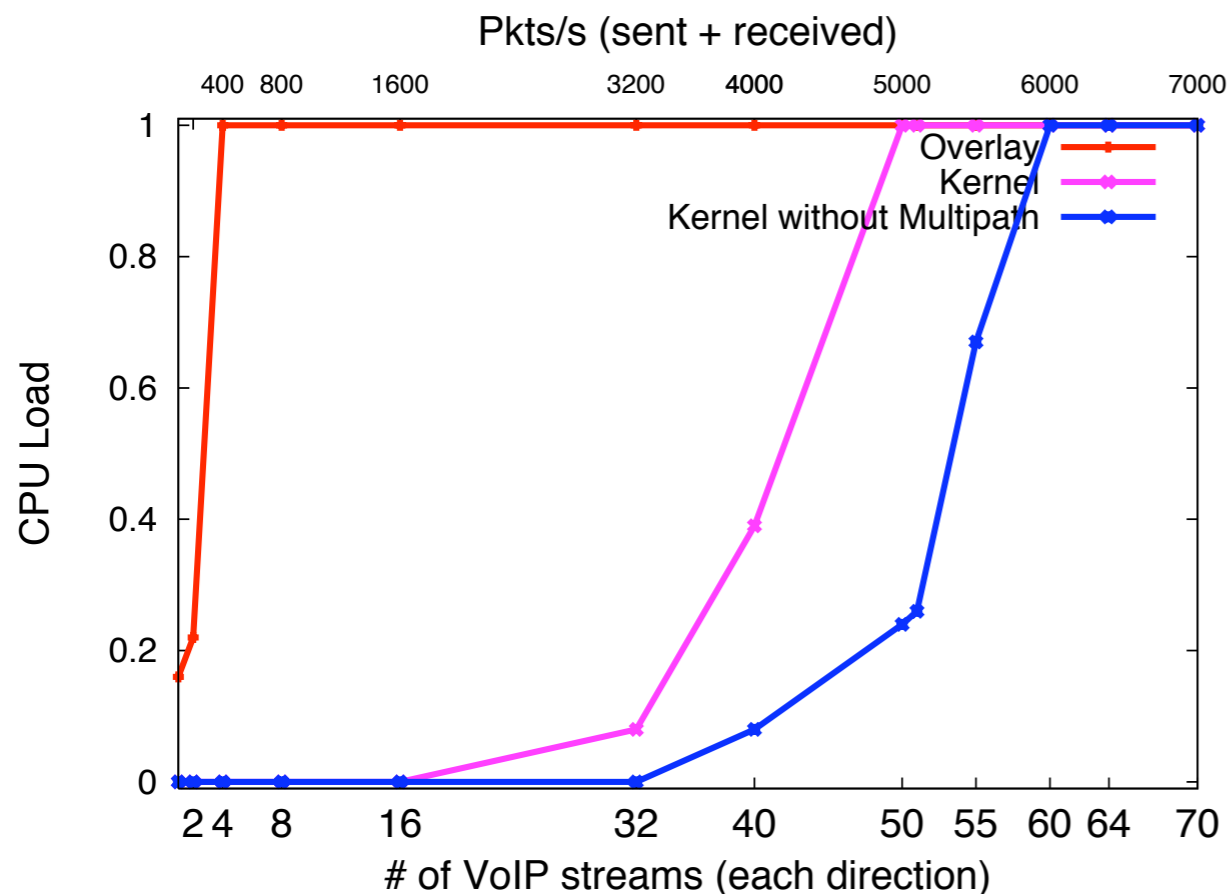
Rate	24 Mbps
Transmission power	50 mW
Retransmission limit	7
VoIP stream	64 Kbps



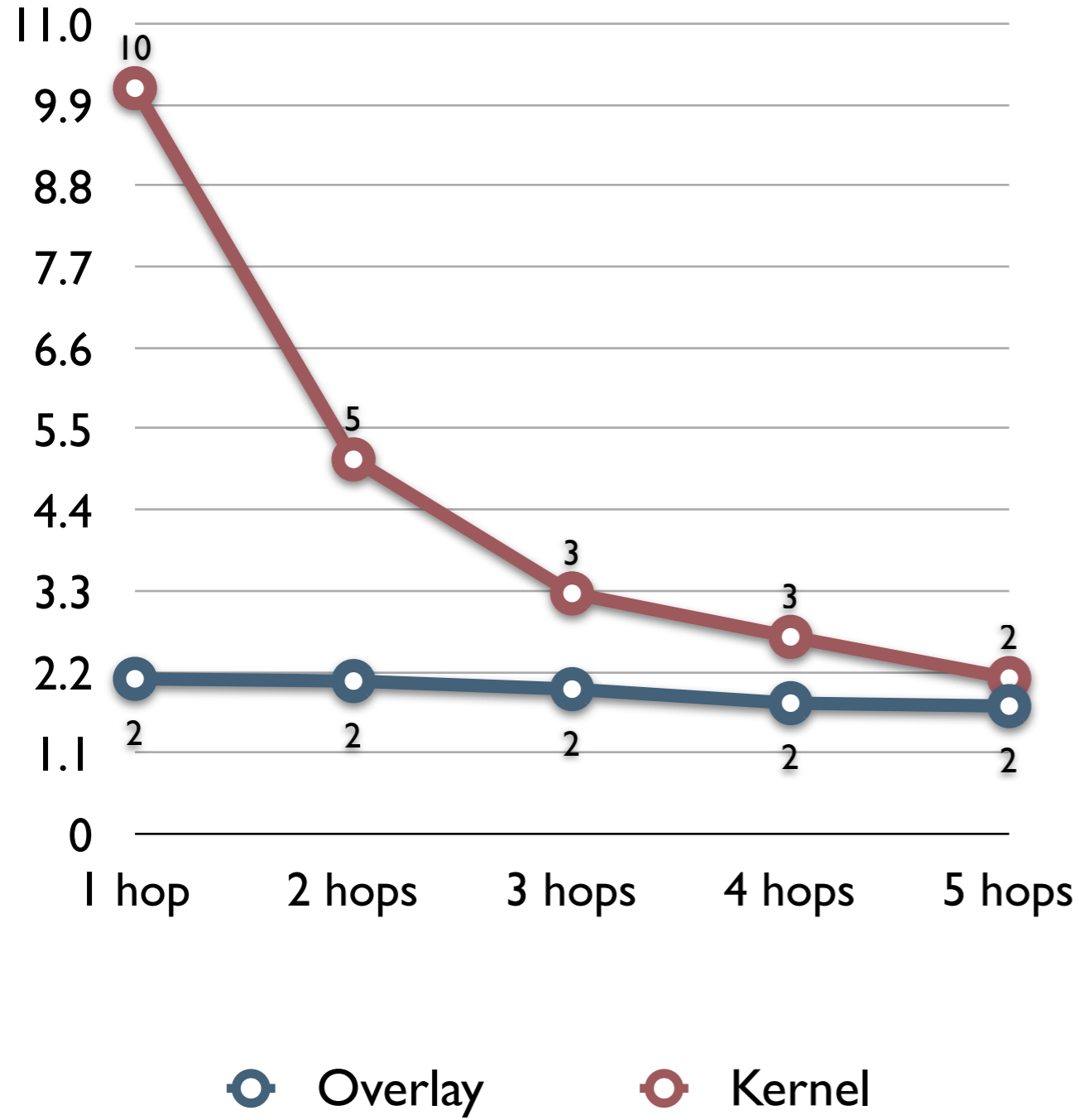


We route up to **50** duplex VoIP streams before the CPU is saturated.

Overlay	4 streams	512 Kbps
Kernel	50 streams	6.4 Mbps
Native kernel routing	60 streams	7.6 Mbps

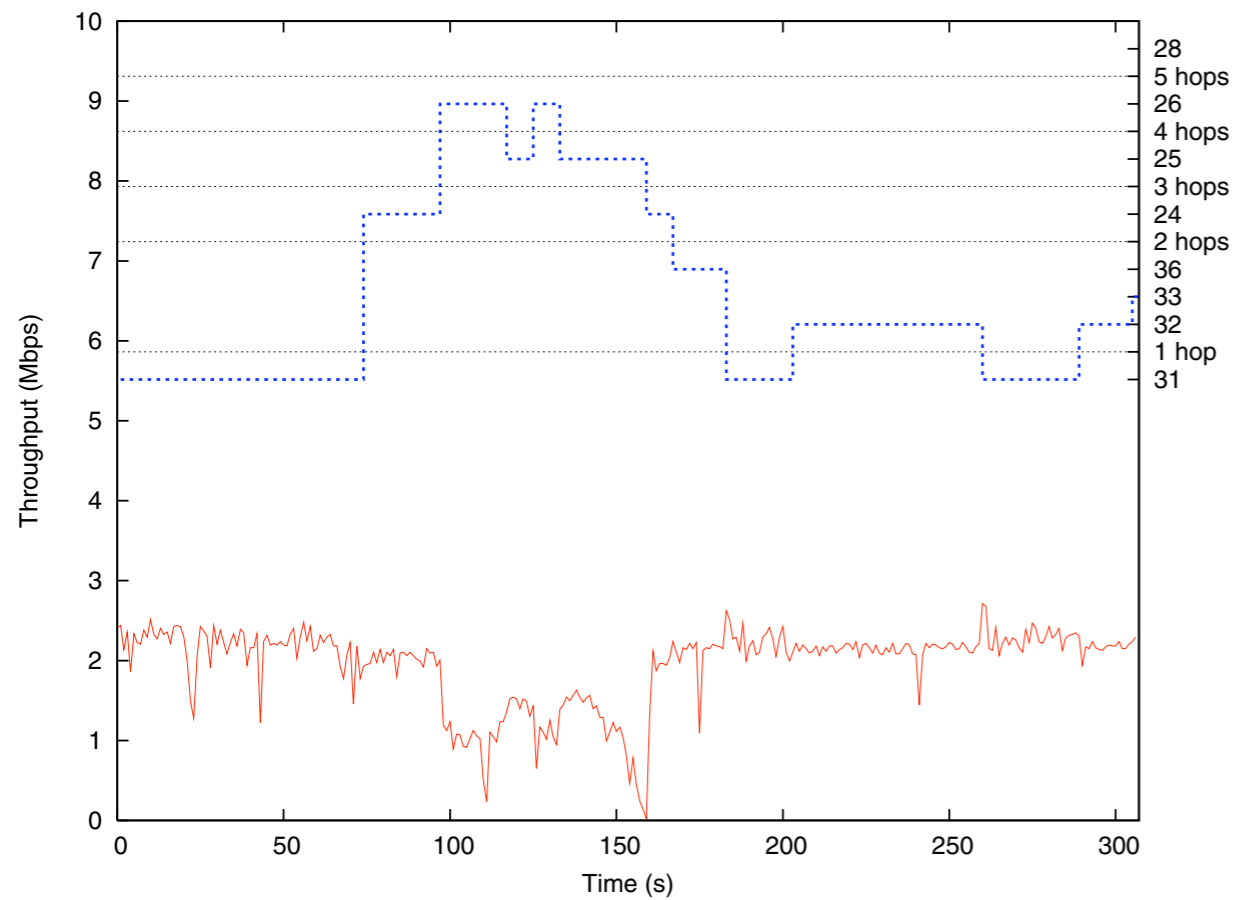


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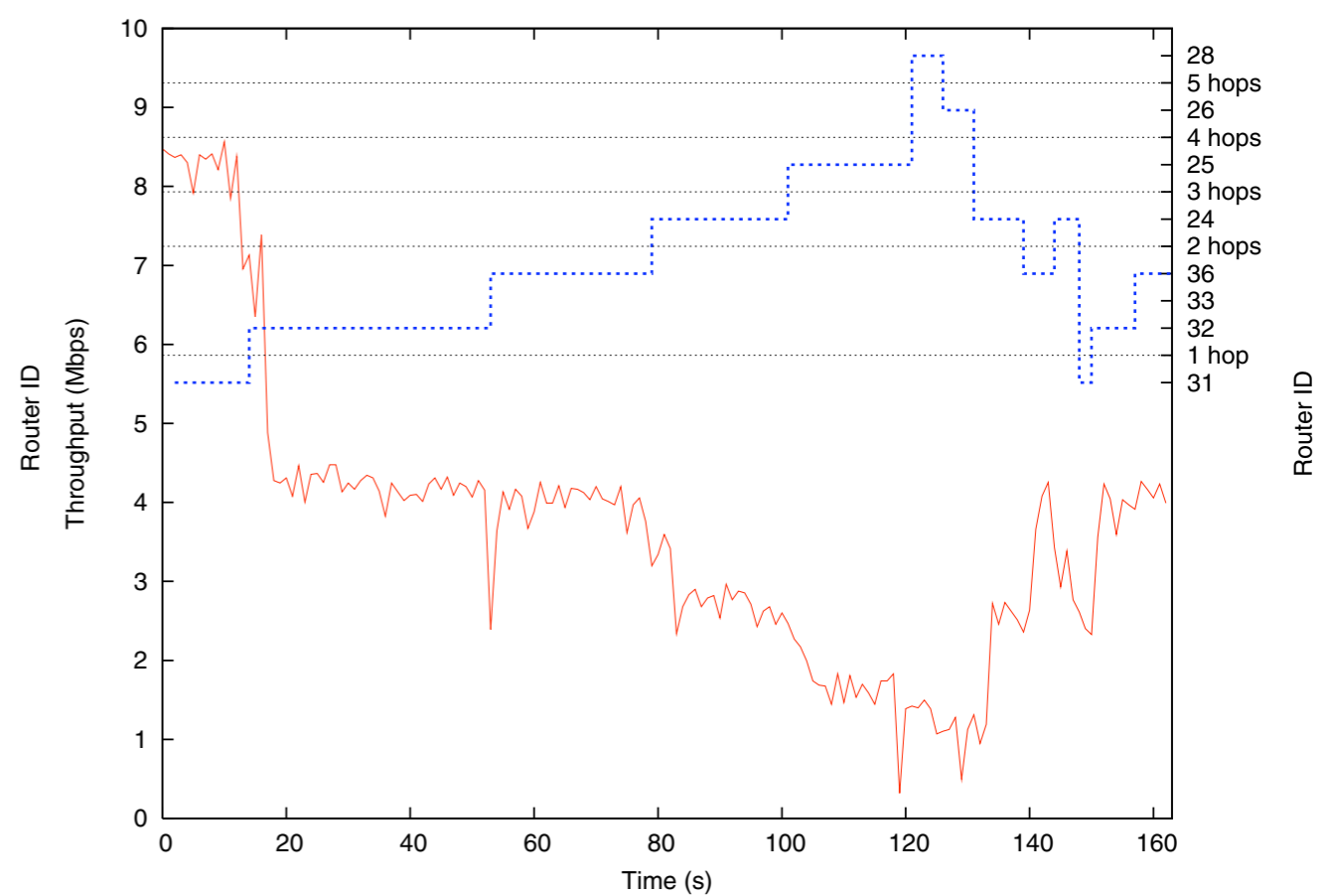


With **one** wireless hop, we get **10 Mbps** in a “line” setup.

Overlay



Kernel multipath



Results are close to the “line” topology
(8.5 Mbps for one hop).

Redundant multipath routing is important in WMN.

We can support it with minimal changes in Linux kernel.

SMesh is available as open-source at www.smesh.org.



Thanks



Questions