

CSCI 136 Data Structures & Advanced Programming

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Administrative Details

- Lab 6 due Tuesday after break
- I think some TAs will be around on Sunday and Monday evening (look for an email with hours)

Last Time

- Finished up stacks
 - LIFO linear data structure
- Learned about queues
 - FIFO linear data structure

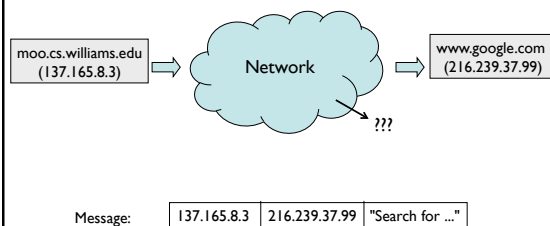
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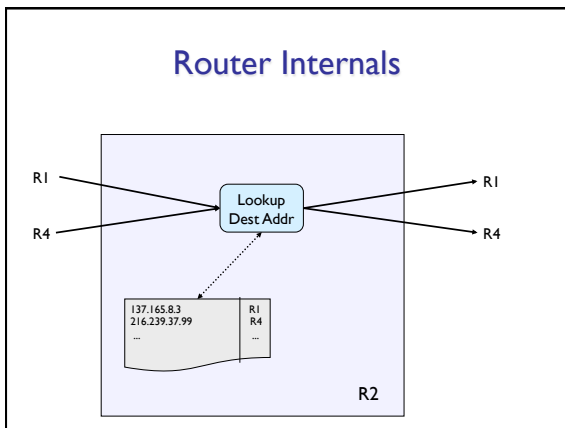
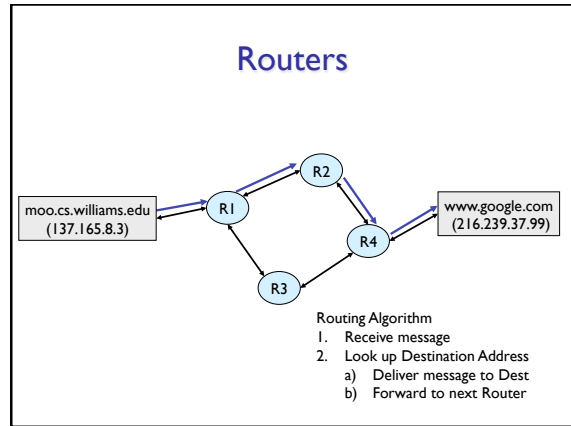
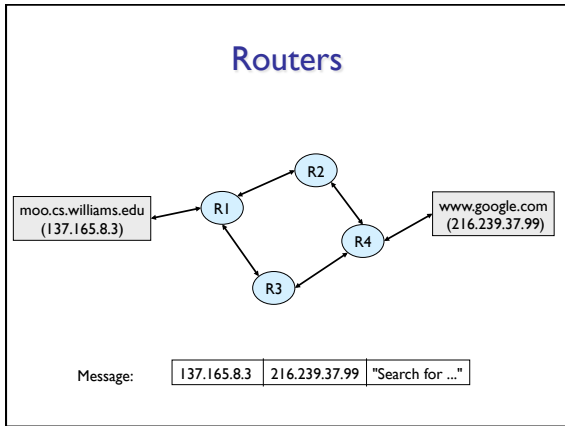
- Finish up queues
- Maybe start talking about iterators

Routing With Queues

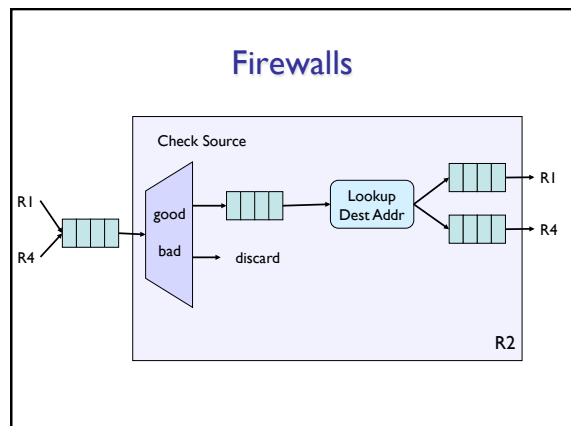
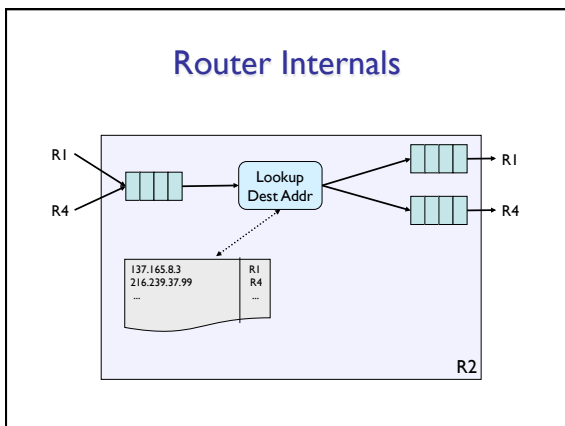
(Slides initially created by Stephen Freund)

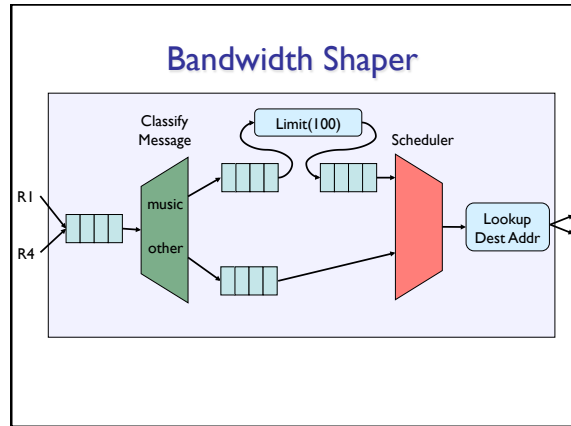
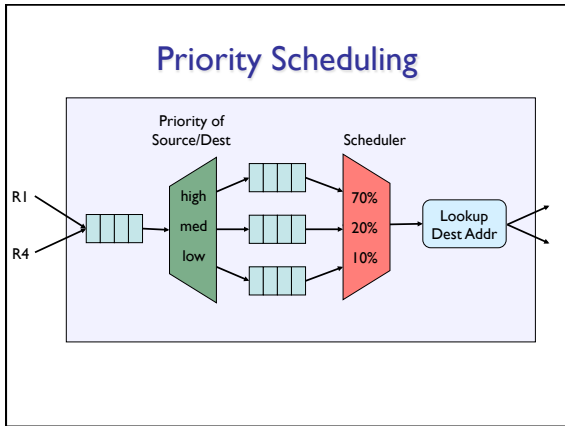
The Network





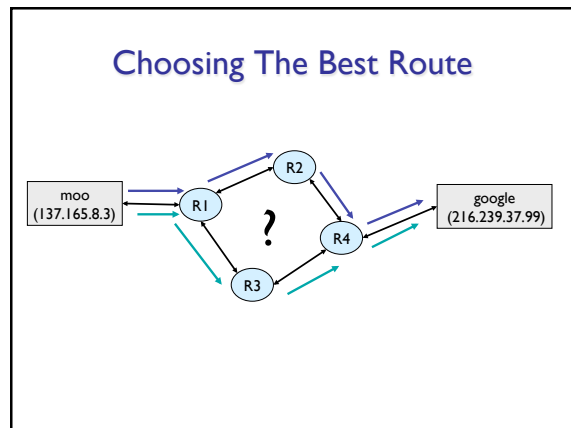
- ### Buffering Messages
- There may be routing delays
 - Router receives messages faster than they can process and send -> causes *congestion*
 - Some links are slower than others
 - Common speeds: 10Mbps, 100Mbps, 1Gbs, 10Gbs
 - Wireless, satellite, optical fiber, cable, telephone line, ...
 - Hardware problems
 - Want to be able to gracefully handle short-term congestion problems





More On Modular Routers

"The Click Modular Router", Eddie Koller and Robert Morris, Jr.



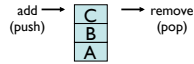
- ### Choosing Routes
- Routers exchange information periodically
 - Attempt to route messages via "best" path to destination
 - Not easy to determine:
 - Network congestion varies (evening vs. morning)
 - Hardware added/removed or failures
 - Dijkstra's algorithm (later)

Moving on...

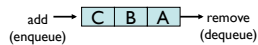
Summary

- Linear Structures: stacks and queues
 - One method for adding items
 - One method for removing items
 - Restricted interface

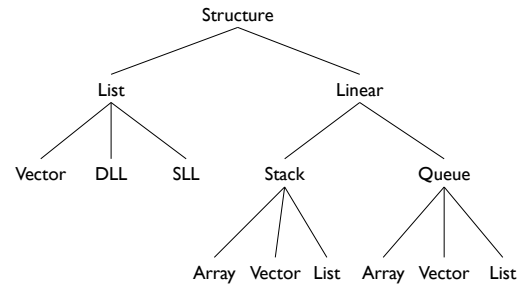
- Stack



- Queue



Summary



Common Structure Operations

- `size()`
- `isEmpty()`
- `add()`
- `remove()`
- `clear()`
- `contains()`
- What's missing? (Recall our unsolved SLL "problem" ...)

Visiting Data from Structure

- Write a method (`numOccurs`) that counts the number of times a particular Object appears in a structure
- Does this work on all structures?

Problems

- `get(i)` not defined on Linear structures
- `get(i)` may be slow on some structures
 - $O(n)$ on SLL
 - So `numOccurs` = $O(n^2)$
- How do we process data in structures in a general, efficient way?
 - Must be data structure-specific for efficiency
 - Must always use some interface to make general

Iterators

- **Iterators** provide us with a way to cycle through elements of a structure in an efficient way
- An Iterator is an object that:
 - Provides generic methods to traverse elements
 - Abstracts away details of how to access structure
 - Has different implementations for different structures