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- Distance vector algorithm
- Included in BSD-UNIX Distribution in 1982
- Distance metric: # of hops (max = 15 hops)

From router A to subsets:

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RIP advertisements

- Distance vectors: exchanged among neighbors every 30 sec via Response Message (also called advertisement)
- Each advertisement: List of up to 25 destination nets within AS
RIP: Link failure and recovery

If no advertisement heard after 180 sec, neighbor/link declared dead
- Routes via the neighbor are invalidated
- New advertisements sent to neighbors
- Neighbors in turn send out new advertisements (if their tables changed)
- Link failure info quickly propagates to entire net
- Poison reverse used to prevent ping-pong loops (infinite distance = 16 hops)
RIP table processing

- RIP routing tables managed by an **application process** [Unix: route-d (daemon)]
- Advertisements encapsulated in UDP packets (no reliable delivery required)
- Advertisements are periodically repeated

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| Transport (UDP) | Transport (UDP) |
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| network table   | forwarding table |
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| link            | network (IP)    |
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| physical        | link            |
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RIP table example

Router: giroflee.eurocom.fr

- Three attached class C networks (LANs)
- Router only knows routes to attached LANs
- Default router used to “go up”
- Route multicast address: 224.0.0.0
- Loopback interface
How to avoid Count-to-Infinity

- Split Horizon
- Split Horizon with Poisoned Reverse
- Triggered Updates
  - After metric change: Send update immediately
- Holddown Timer (Cisco)
  - After invalidation of route: For some seconds ignore all updates for route
Routing tasks: RIP

- Neighbor?
  - Discovery
  - Maintenance

- Database?
  - Granularity
  - Maintenance – updates
  - Synchronization

- Routing table?
  - Metric
  - Calculation
  - Update