

5617, Fall 2022

computer networking and  
communication

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TTLMAN 305, T 17:30-20:00

# to do |

paper presentation, select your paper and date

- sign up ASAP — first come, first serve
- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/11XbK2V0gMRwYanmjyQXshJvo9j7uqVyxRe0PF7tfbc/edit?usp=sharing>
- deadline: Sept 06
  - you will be assigned a date/paper after the deadline, if you have not signed up yet

# how to write a review

## 3-4 paragraphs

- summarize the (content of contribution of the) paper in your own words
- strength?
- weakness?

check the course website for detailed instructions and an example (template)

**IMPORTANT:** reviews not conforming to the requirements will be graded 0.

# to do 2

watch Scott Shenker's talk on “The Future of Networking, and the Past of Protocols” <https://youtu.be/YHeyuD89nIY>



to do — (optional) reading

## Brief history of the Internet

[https://www.internetsociety.org/internet/history-internet/  
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# The Design Philosophy of the DARPA Internet Protocols

<http://ccr.sigcomm.org/archive/1995/jan95/ccr-9501-clark.pdf>

# why the protocol is as it is?

determine the motivation and reasoning which led to the design

- why IP is based on a connectionless or datagram model of service
- why layering of the architecture into the TCP/IP layers
- ...

# Internet architecture is still evolving

new extension changes the design principle

- SDN

- understanding of the history provides a necessary context

# (top level) goal of the Internet

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- 1970s, assumption: ARPA packet radio network, but the assumption was: **there would be other sorts of networks to interconnect**
- 1980s: development of local area networks (LAN)
- today: LAN (Ethernet) is (probably) the dominant network in the Internet

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“Leonard Kleinrock at MIT published the first paper on packet switching theory in July 1961, ... of the theoretical feasibility of communications using packets rather than circuits”

# (top level) assumption

packet switching accepted as a fundamental component of the Internet architecture

- the glue that pulls together the various evolving network technologies
- the **WAIST**: a central, largely unchanging API above and below which innovation is enabled

# from the assumption

(the fundamental structure of the Internet) a packet switched communications facility in which a number of distinguishable networks are connected together using gateways which implement a store and forward packet forwarding algorithm

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# (second level) goals

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- survivability in the face of failure
- type of services to support
- varieties of networks to incorporate and utilize

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the Internet architecture was to mask any transient failure

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- in some architecture, the state is stored in the intermediate nodes

complex: to protect the information loss, the intermediate nodes must replicate state



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- **fate sharing**: move the information (in the network) to the end point of the network, at the entity which is utilizing the networking services

# survivability by fate sharing

information about transmission stored in the host

- protect against any number of intermediate failures
- more trust in the host
- simple: easy to engineer

# types of services (TOS)

## 1st attempt

- (traditional type of service) virtual circuit service — bi-directional reliable data deliver (**rdt**)
- rdt is the first service recognized and implemented
  - TCP (transmission control protocol)

# reliable data delivery with TCP?

this service has multiple variants

- remote login
  - low delay, low requirement for bandwidth
- file transfer
  - less concerned with delay, but requires high throughput

# reliable data delivery with TCP?

services *not* fit TCP well

- **realtime** teleconferencing
  - less concerned with reliability, but requires minimizing and smoothing the **delay**
- **network debugger**
  - when the network is already under stress and failures

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but occasionally missing packets does not impair the intelligibility of the speech

- even if it does, listeners can ask the speaker to repeat

# reliable data delivery with TCP?

more services *not* fit TCP well

- network control

discussion ...



# flexible transport services

the architecture must be prepared to tolerate (admit) simultaneously transports which wish to constrain reliability, delay, or bandwidth, at a minimum

- TCP splits into **TCP/IP**

# TCP/IP layering

TCP: reliable sequenced data stream

**IP**: basic building block out of which a variety of TOS could be created

- datagram
- best effort
- UDP (user datagram protocol), an application level interface

# type of services, recap

the architecture did not wish to assume that the underlying network themselves support multiple TOS

- the hope was that multiple TOS can be constructed out of the basic datagram building block using algorithms within the host and the gateway

# varieties

the architecture operates over a wide variety of networks

# varieties by minimal assumption

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explicitly not assumed

- reliable sequenced data transfer
- broadcast/multicast
- differentiated services
- internal knowledge of failures, speed, delay

# *IP!*

# other goals — distributed management

## partial success: two-tiered routing algorithms

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- gateway from different administrations exchange routing tables
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# *BGP*

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- lack of sufficient tool, even in the area of routing
  - management of resources in the context of multiple administrations?



# other goals — cost inefficiency

header of (IP) packet is long

- typically 40 bytes
- remote login: 1 byte of data + 40 bytes of header!

(end points) retransmission of lost packets

- may cross several intervening nets a second time
- OK if retransmission is low (<1%)

cost of attaching a host to the network

- all mechanisms (acks, retransmission) implemented in the host
- higher than other alternatives

# remaining goals

## accountability

- few tools for accounting for packets flow
- but consumers concerned with understanding and monitoring the usage within the network

## guidance

- the present architecture permits wide flexibility (service)
- but how to give guidance to a particular network
  - few guidance that would relate the engineering of the network to the type of services which would result

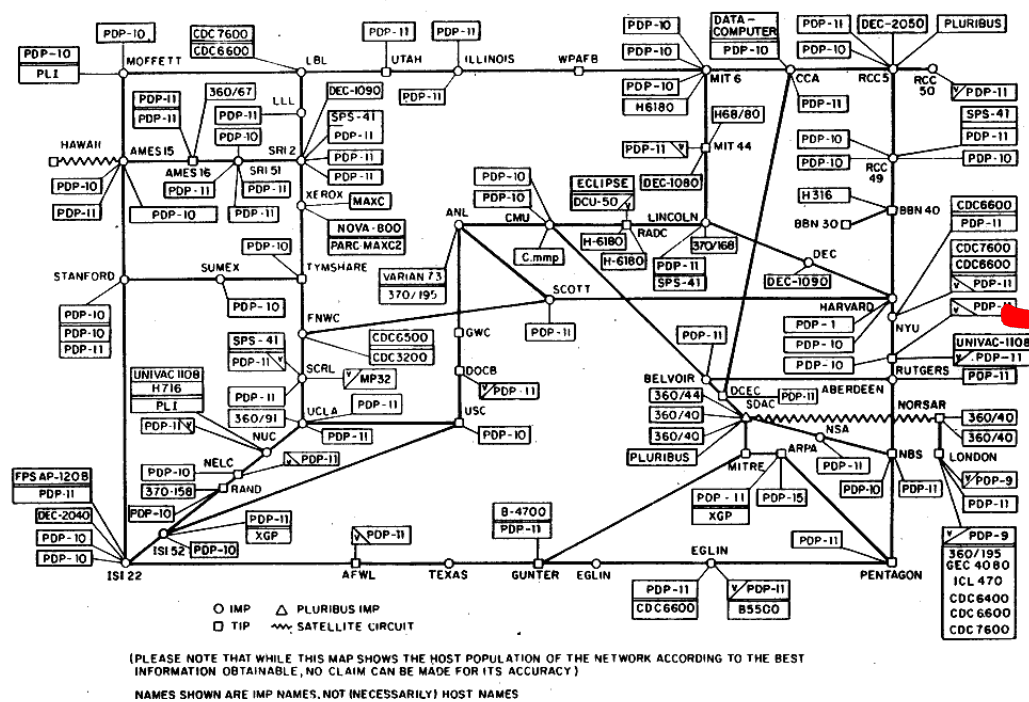
# software defined networking (SDN)

# the Internet: a wonderful success

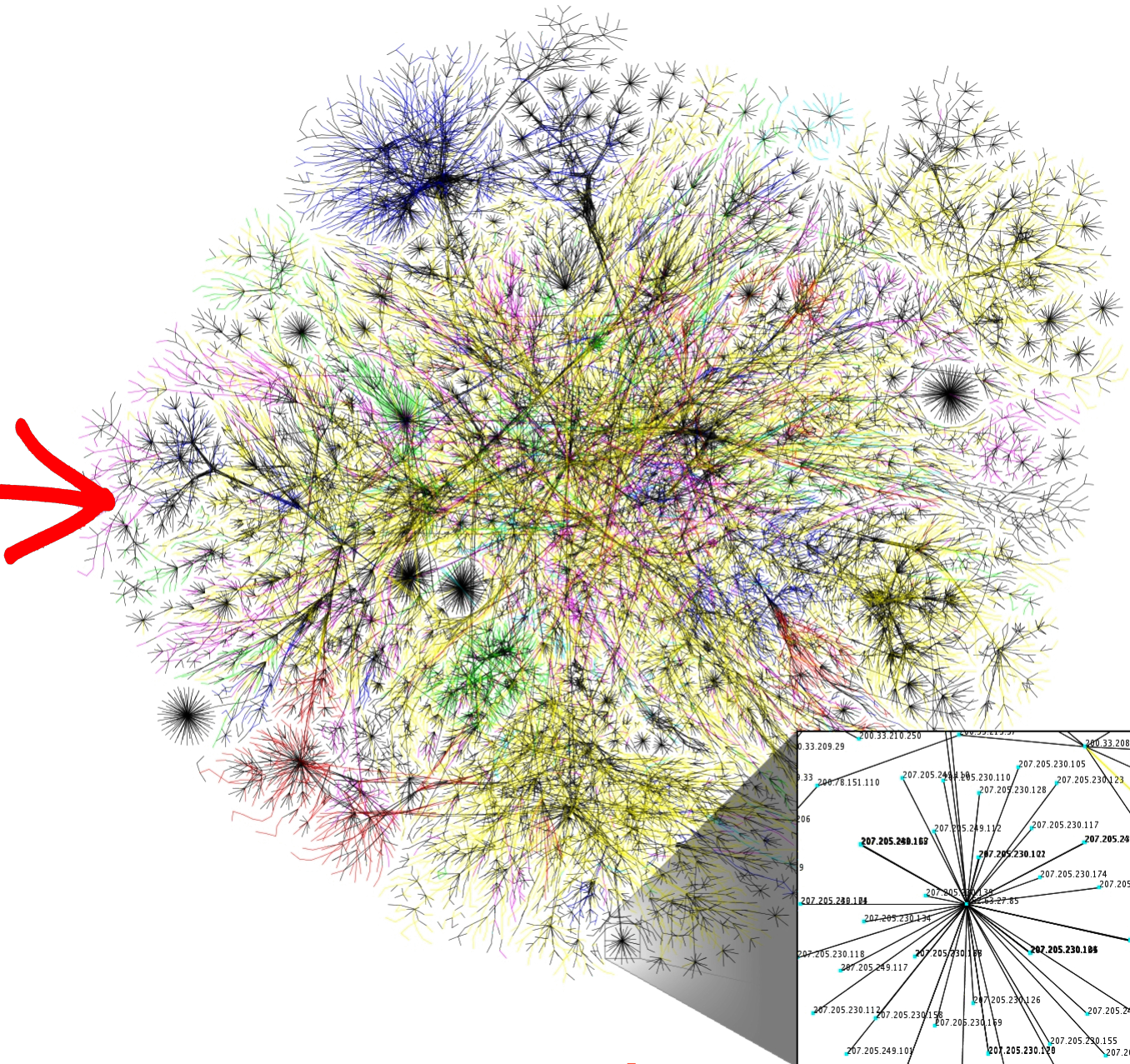
## a remarkable story

— from research experiment to global infrastructure

ARPANET LOGICAL MAP, MARCH 1977



ARPANET, 1977



source: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet>

today



# the Internet: a wonderful success

innovations for everyday life

- Web, P2P, VoIP, social networking ...



# the Internet: a wonderful success

## innovations take rapid transitions

Ahmed Khurshid., et al. “VeriFlow: Verifying Network-Wide Invariants in Real Time”

source: <https://www.usenix.org/conference/nsdi13/technical-sessions/presentation/khurshid>

NSDI **2013**



**3 years, \$8.2 million**

### **Veriflow Nabs \$8.2 Million For Clever Ideas About Network Outage Prevention**

JULY 19, 2016 BY DREW CONRY-MURRAY

Startup [Veriflow Networks](http://veriflow.net) has landed \$8.2 million in series A funding. The A round was led by Menlo Ventures, along with its existing investor New Enterprise Associates.

<http://packetpushers.net/veriflow-nabs-8-2-million-clever-ideas-network-outage-prevention/>



# inside the 'Net': a different story



## vendor lock-in

- specialized hardware
- protocols/software bundled with hardware
- slow innovation, deployment
- \$\$\$\$\$\$

## increasingly complex

- operators today are *masters of complexity*

# discipline for networking?

operating systems

- time sharing

programming languages

- data abstractions

database management systems

- data independence

networking

- lack of discipline, but bags of protocols ...



# networking needs ...

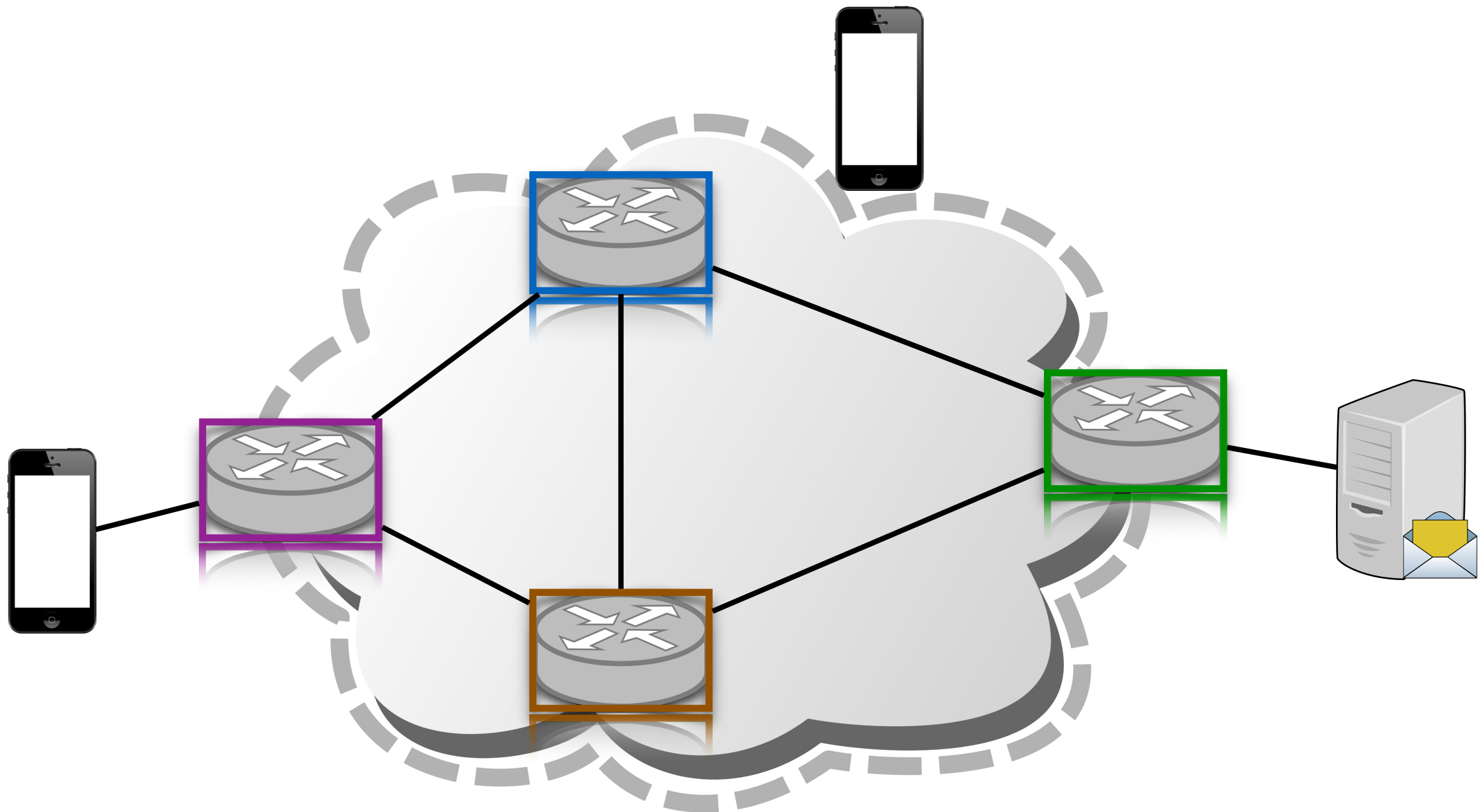
## break vendor lock-in

- freedom from suppliers
- freedom from low-level box by box configuration
- freedom of adding new services

## introduce disciplines

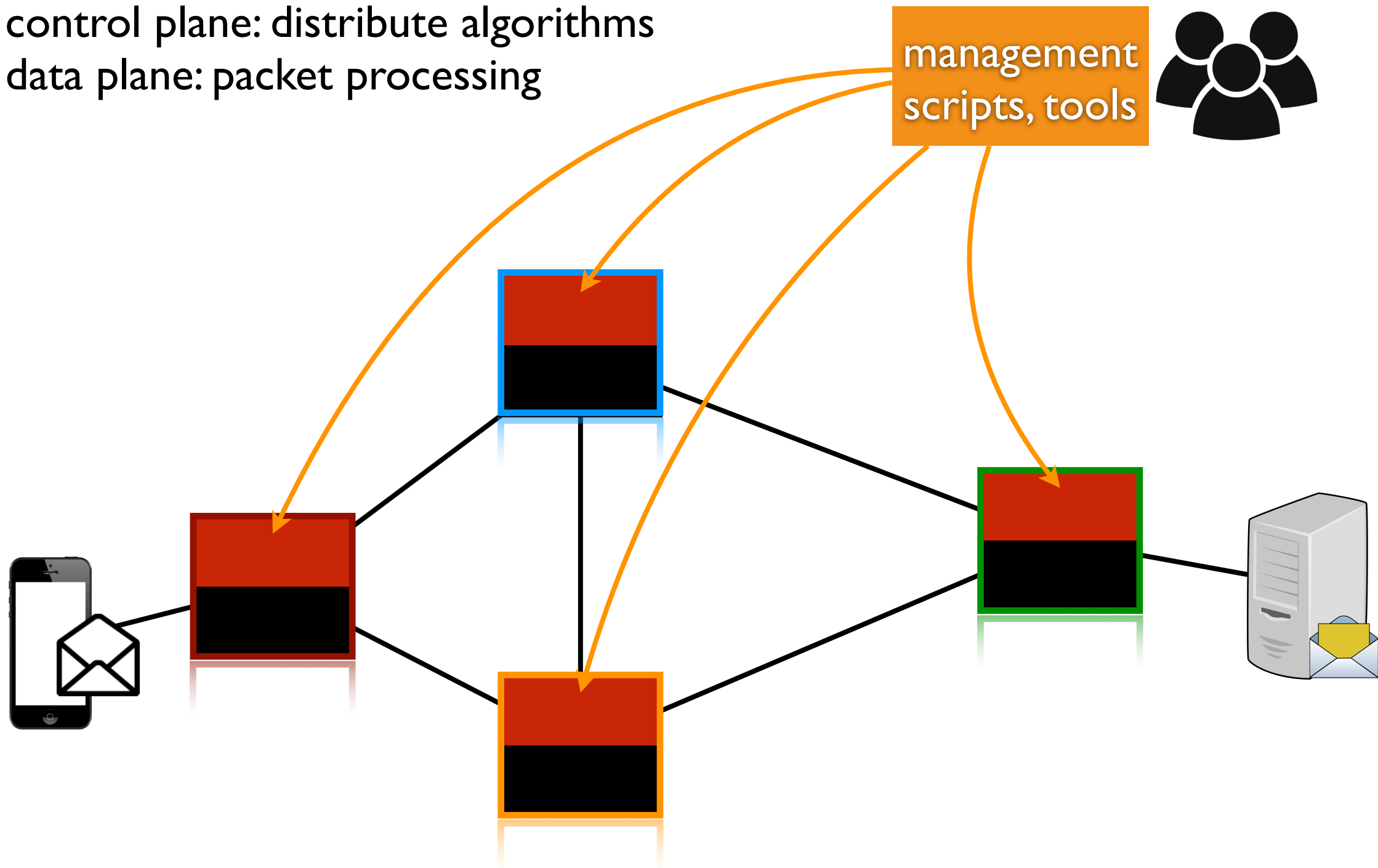
- systematic principles that guide networking practice

# software defined networks



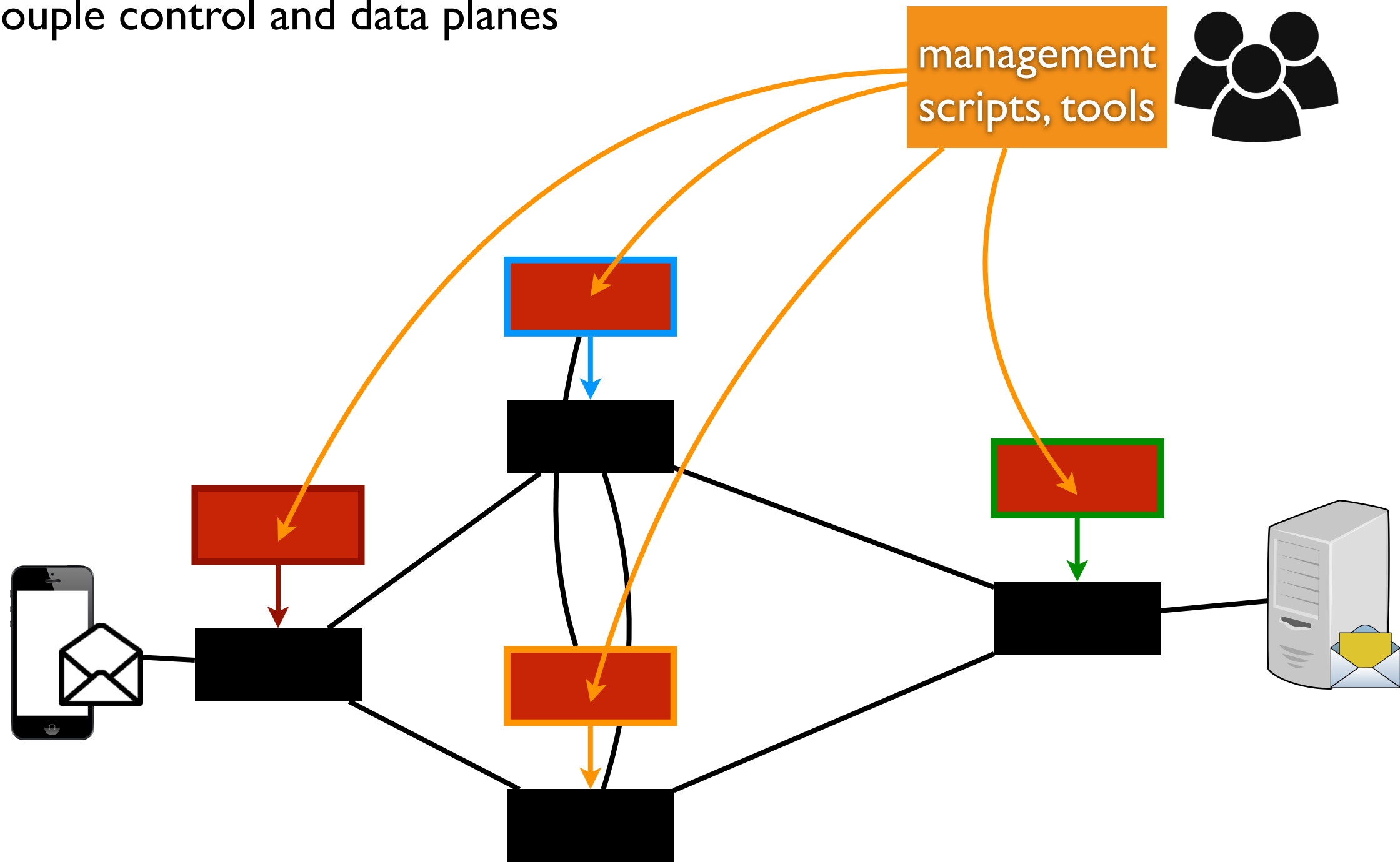
# software defined networks

■ control plane: distribute algorithms  
■ data plane: packet processing



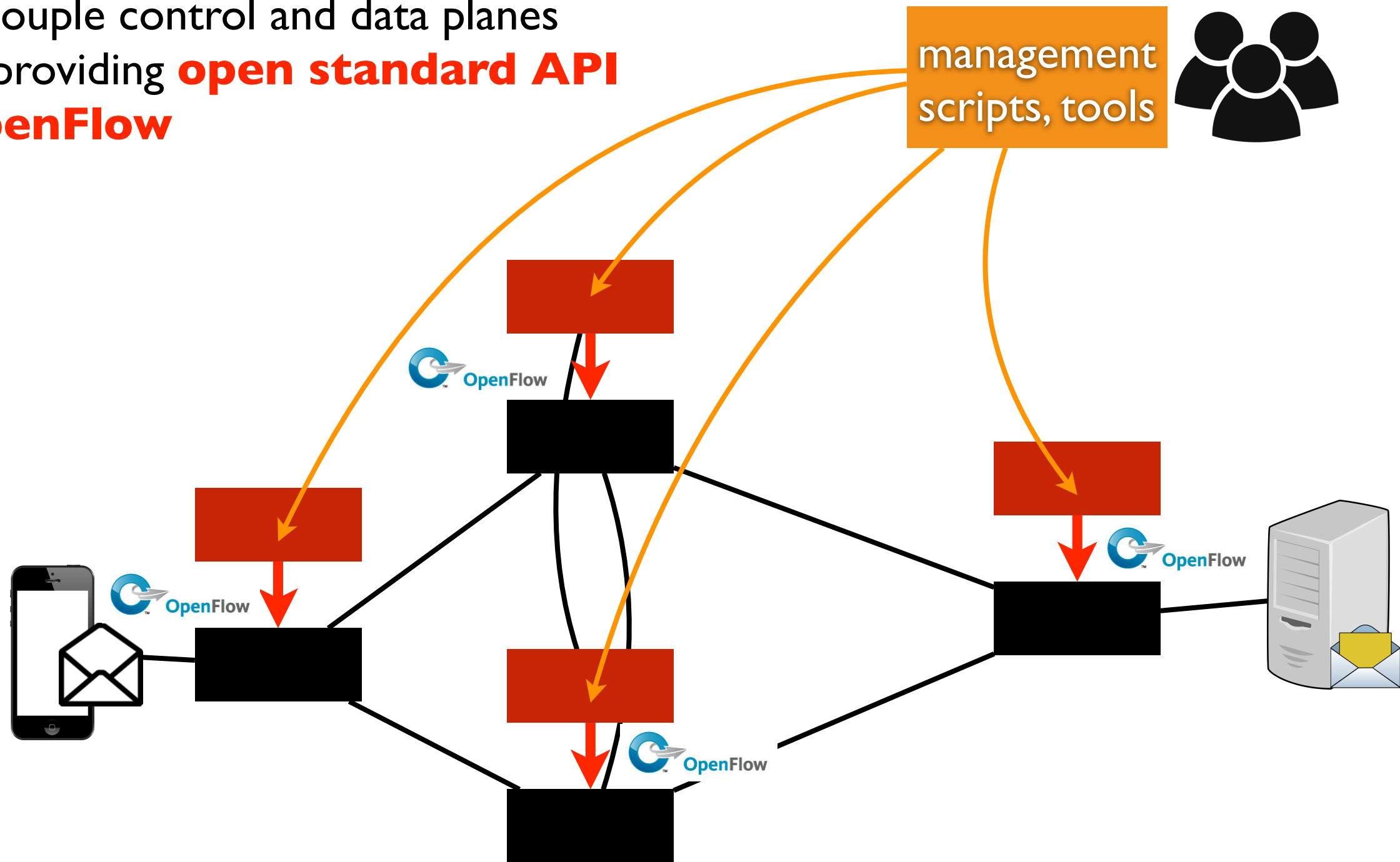
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decouple control and data planes



# open dataplane API

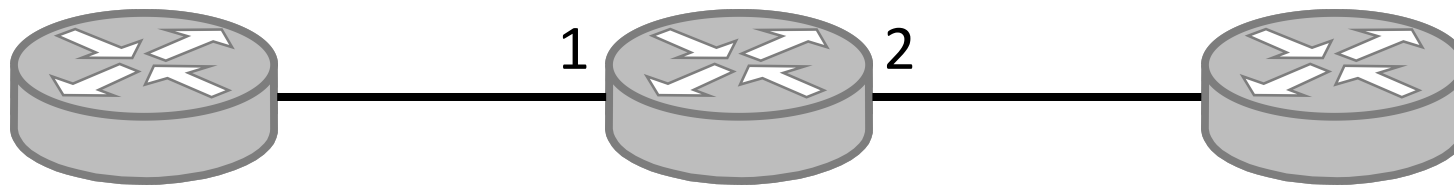
decouple control and data planes  
by providing **open standard API**  
**OpenFlow**



# OpenFlow: simple open dataplane API

## prioritized list of rules

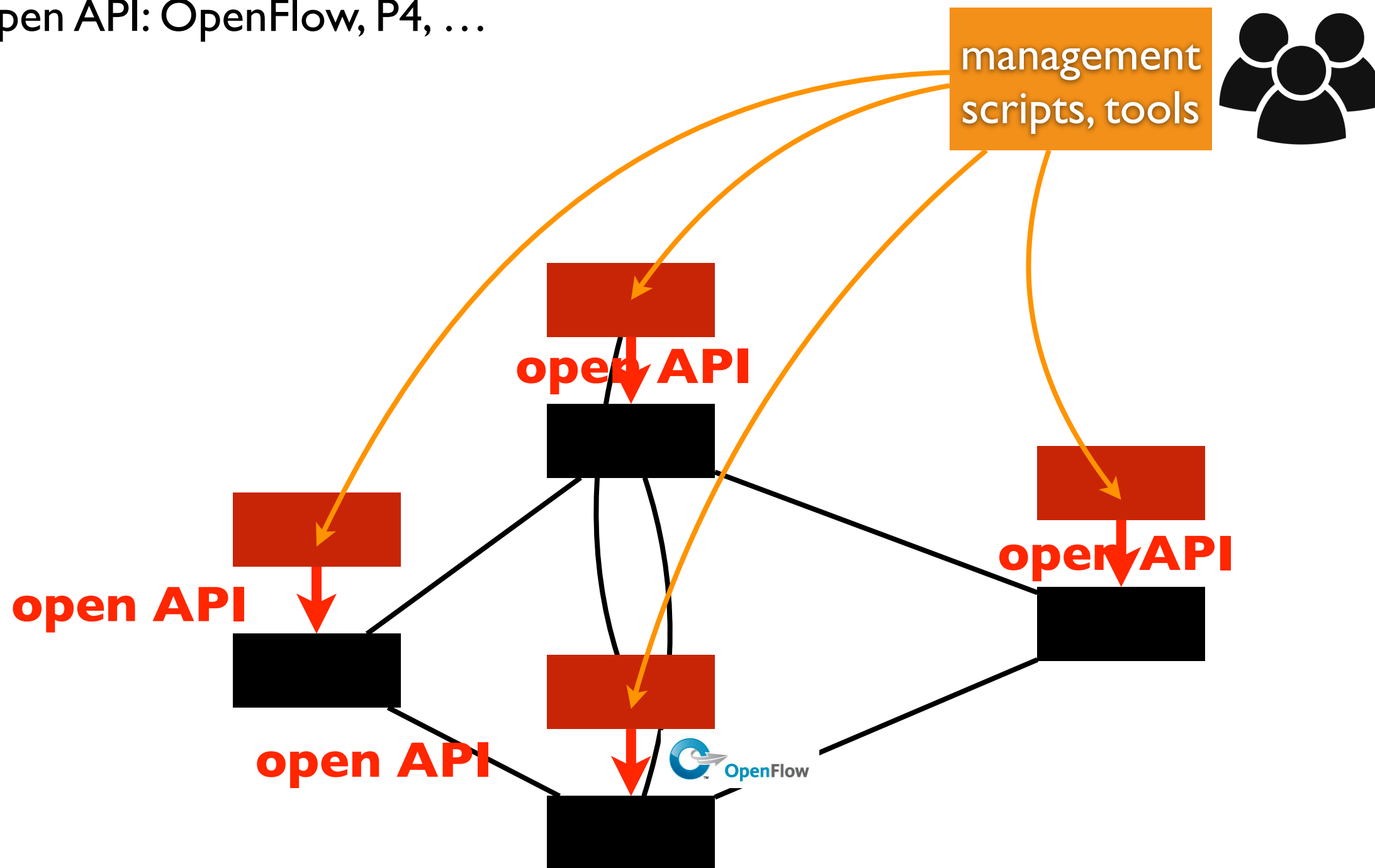
- pattern → action
  - pattern: match packet header bits
  - actions: drop, forward, modify, send to controller
- priority: disambiguate overlapping patterns



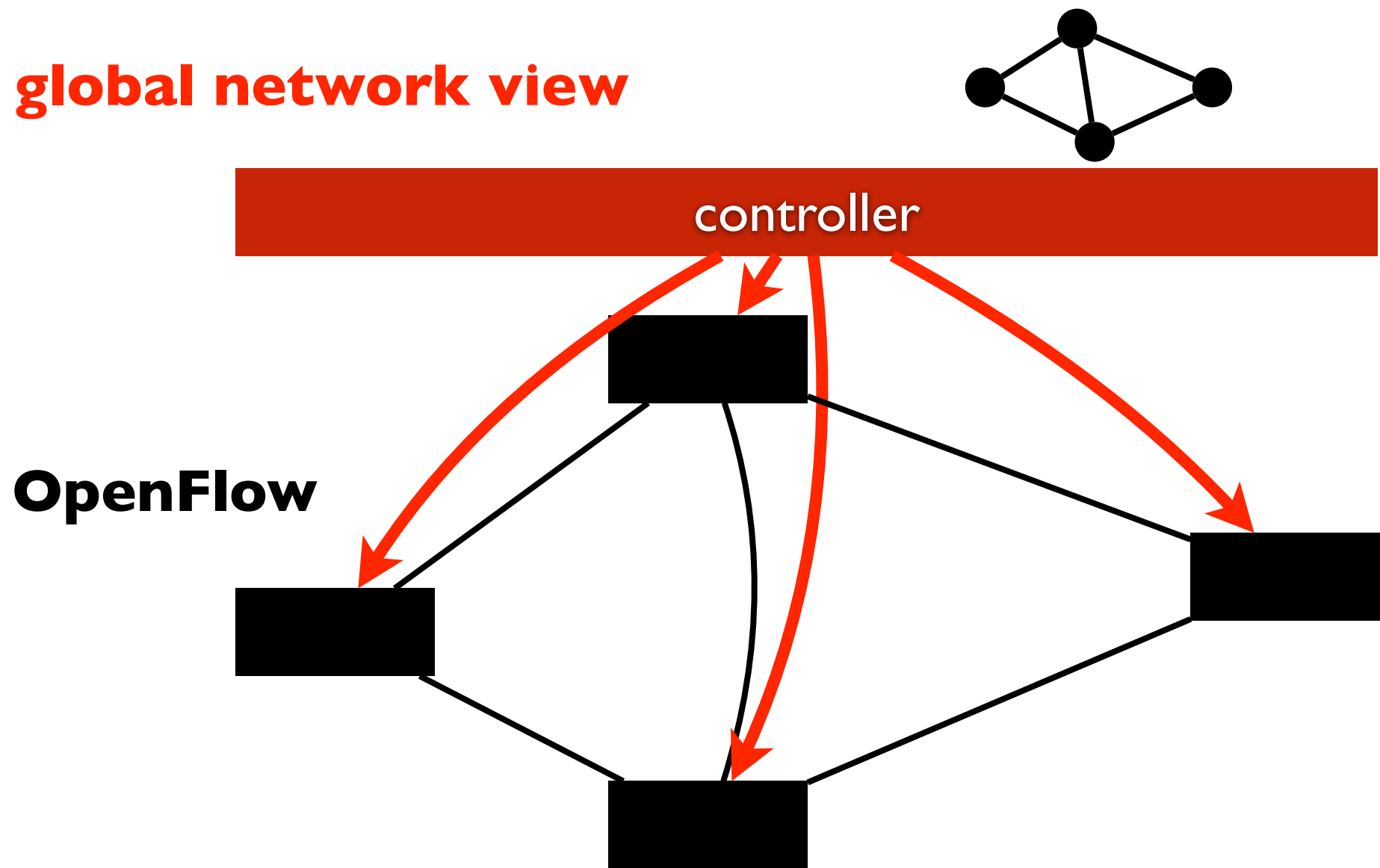
1. src=1.2.\*.\*, dest=3.4.5.\* → drop
2. src = \*.\*.\*.\*, dest=3.4.\*.\* → forward(2)
3. src=10.1.2.3, dest=\*.\*.\*.\* → send to controller

# open dataplane interface

open API: OpenFlow, P4, ...

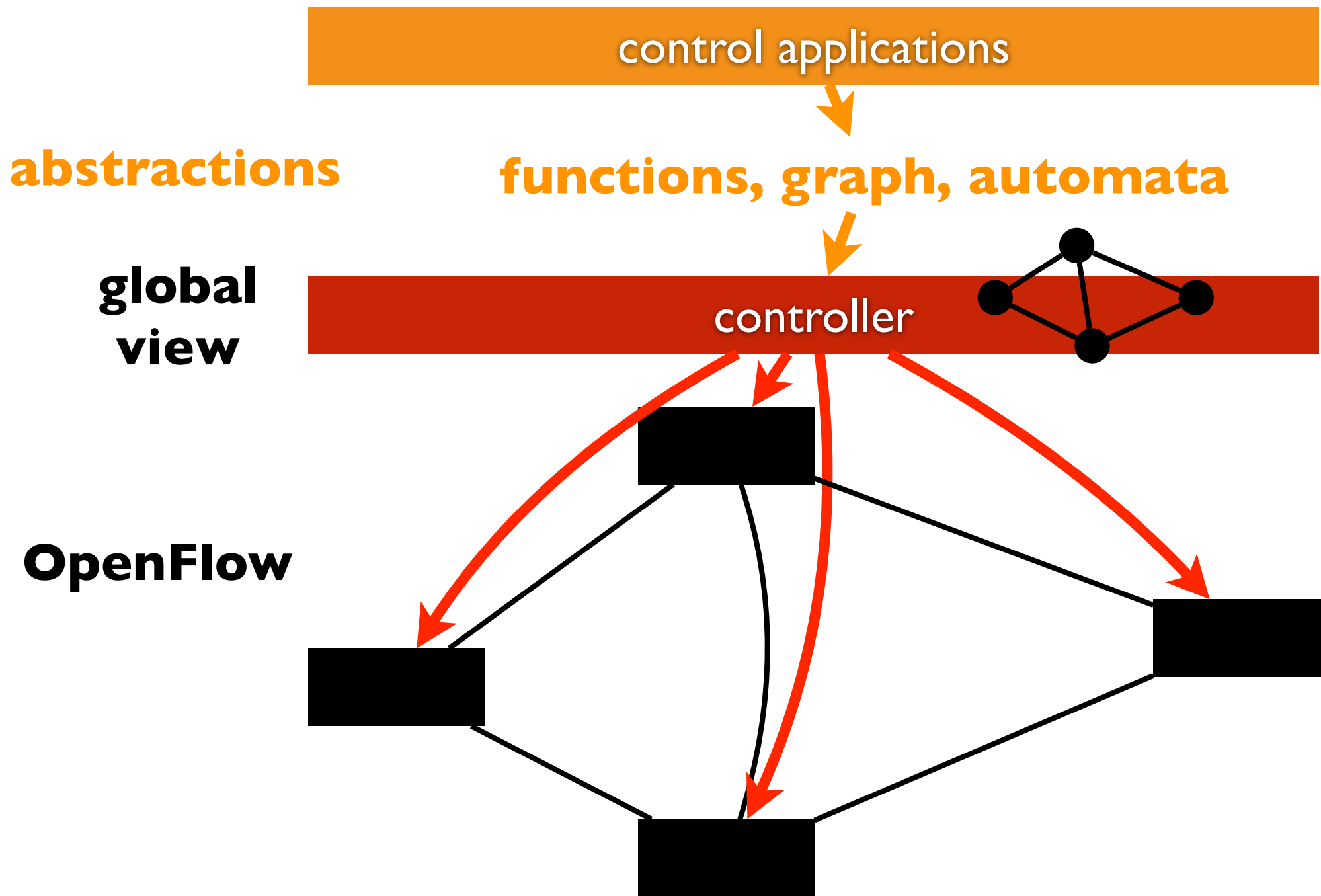


# (logically) centralized controller

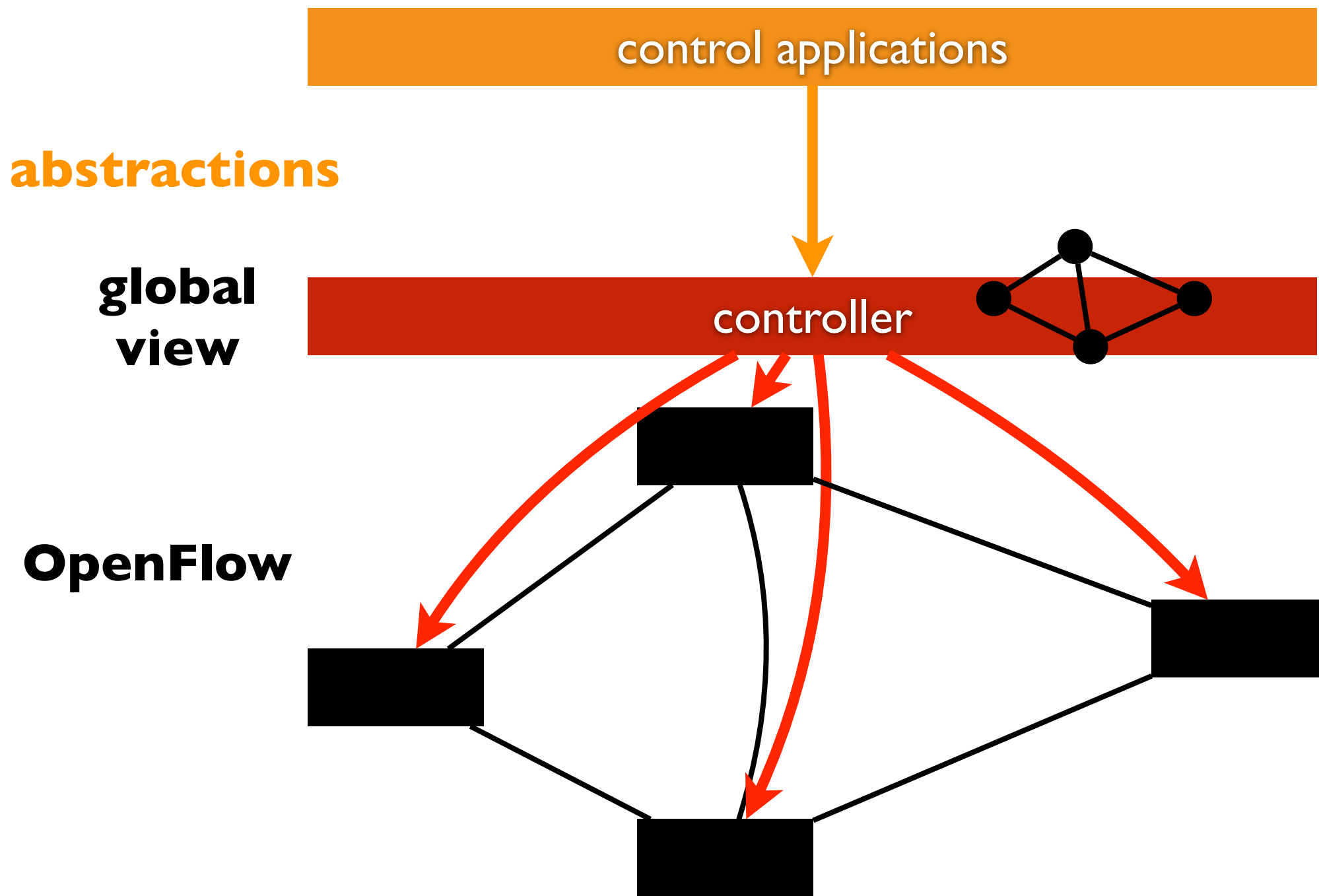




# higher-level abstractions



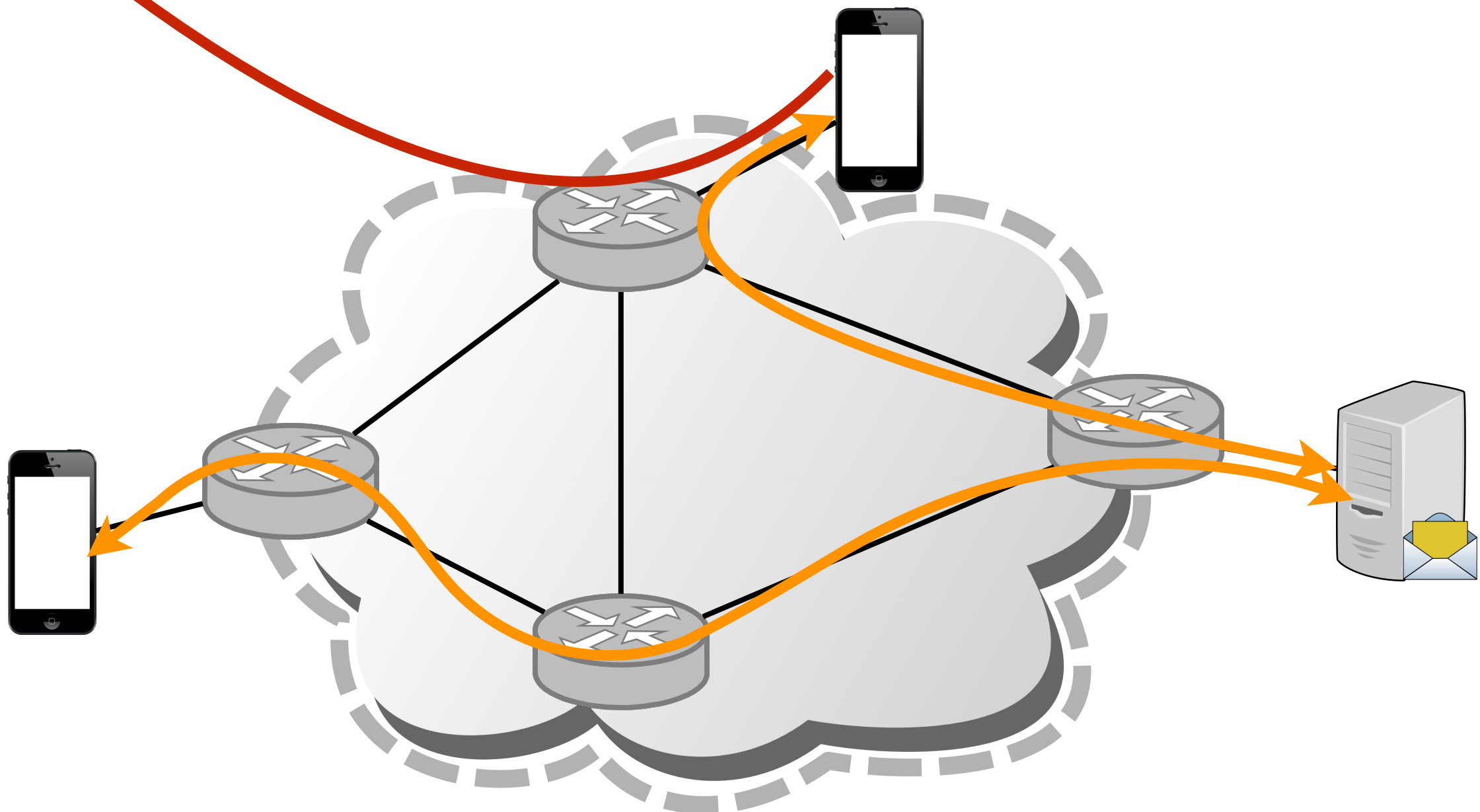
# protocols → applications



# application: seamless mobility

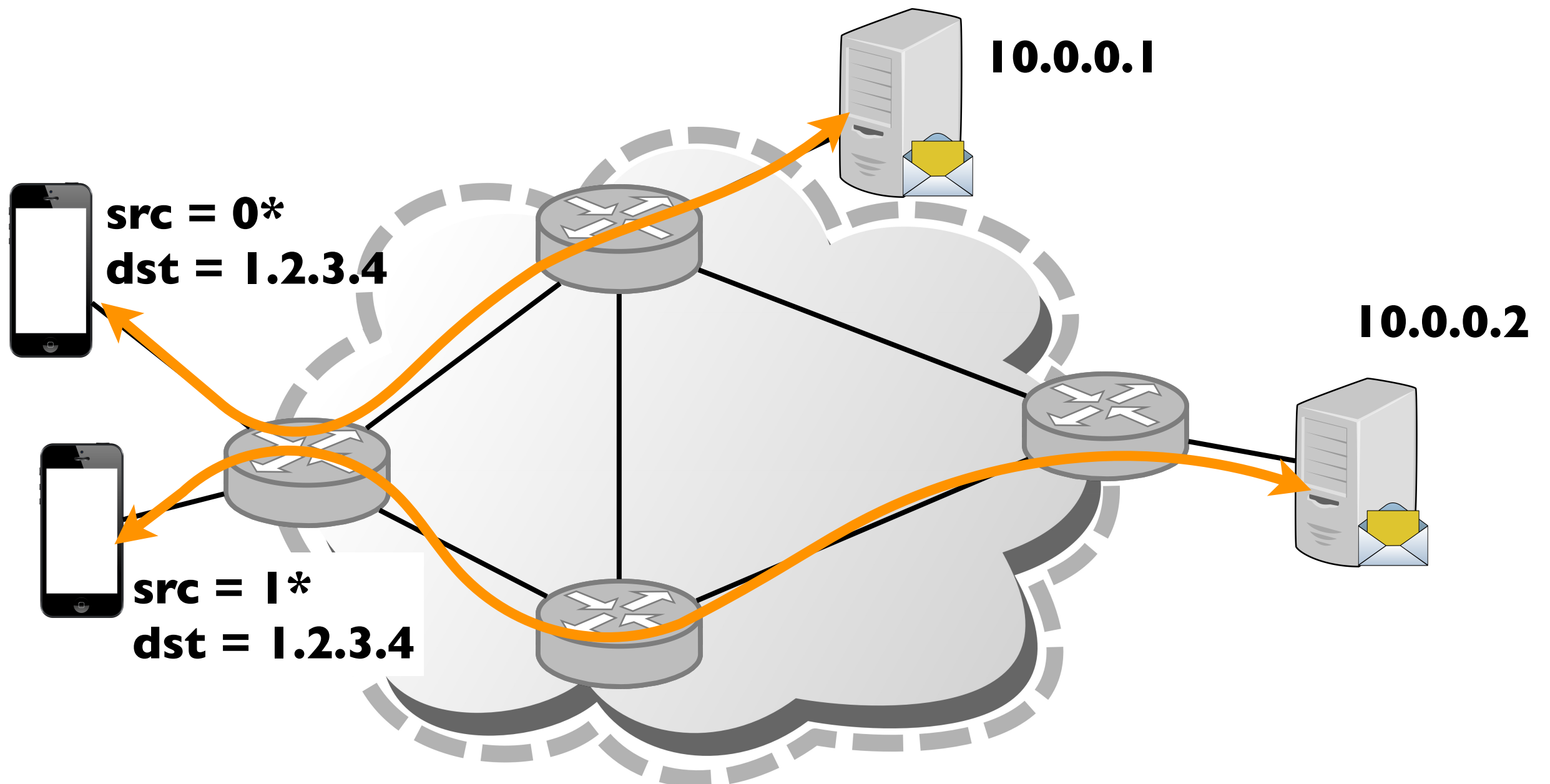
app

- See host sending traffic at new location
- Modify rules to reroute the traffic

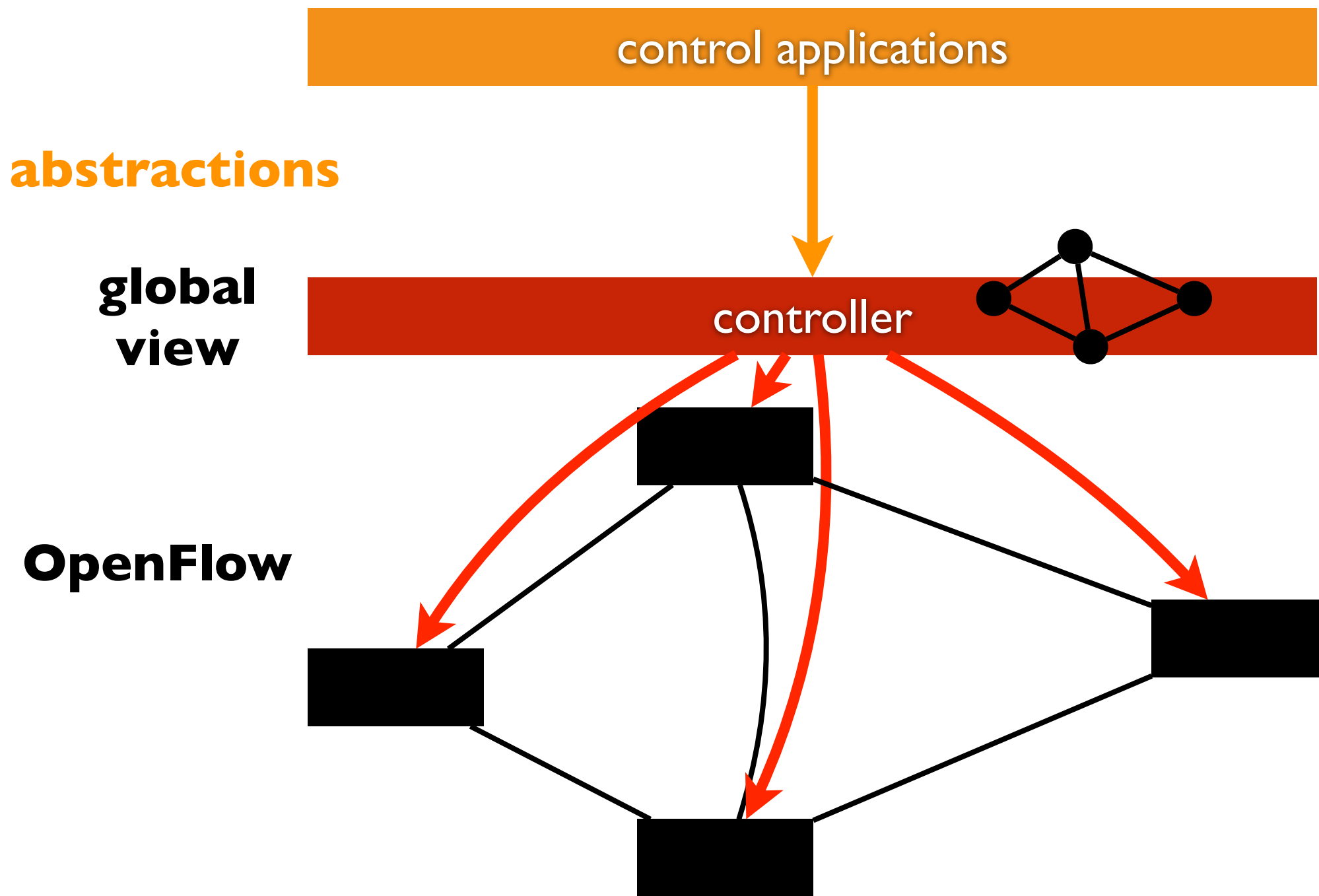


# application: server load balancing

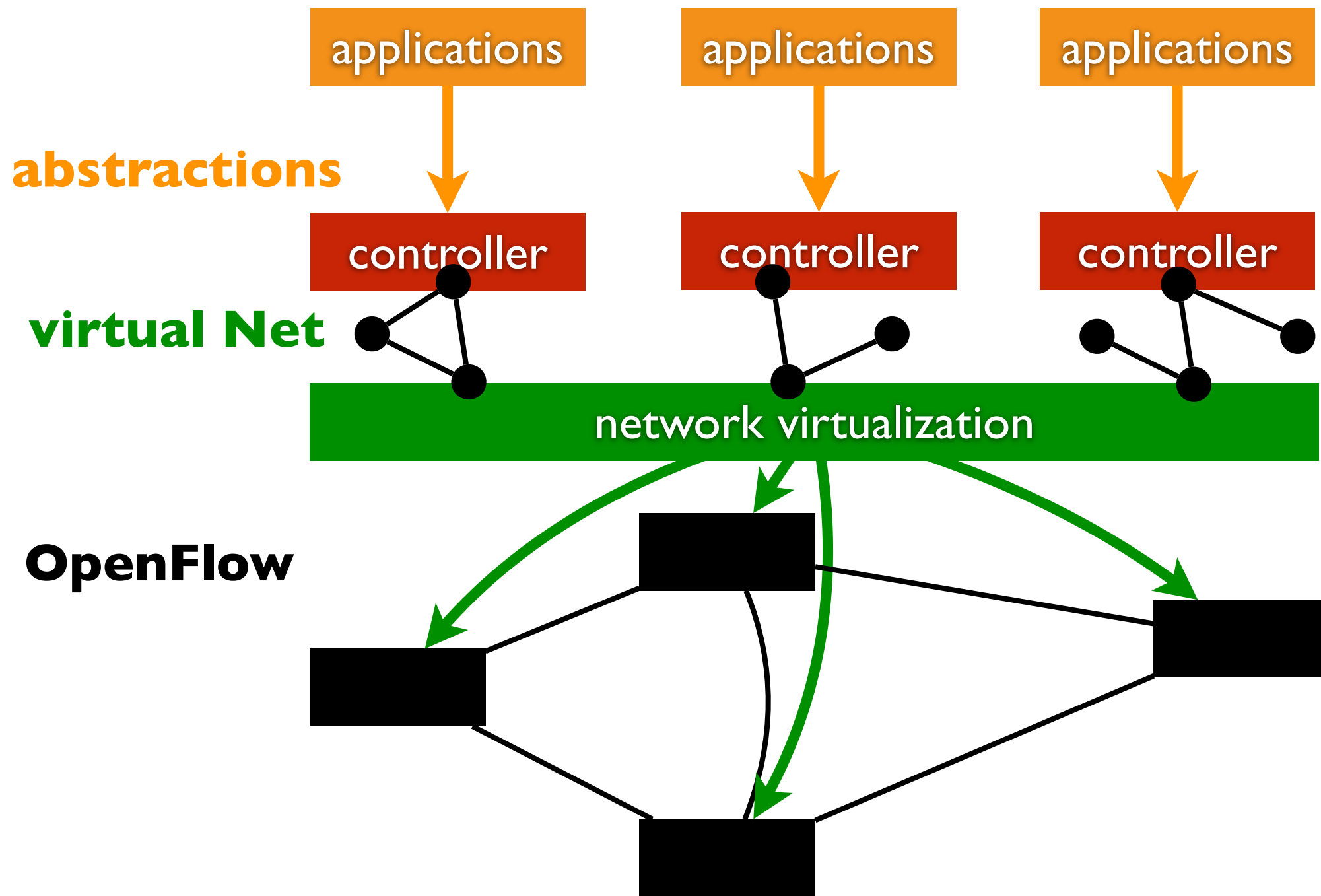
- pre-install load-balancing policy
- split traffic based on source IP



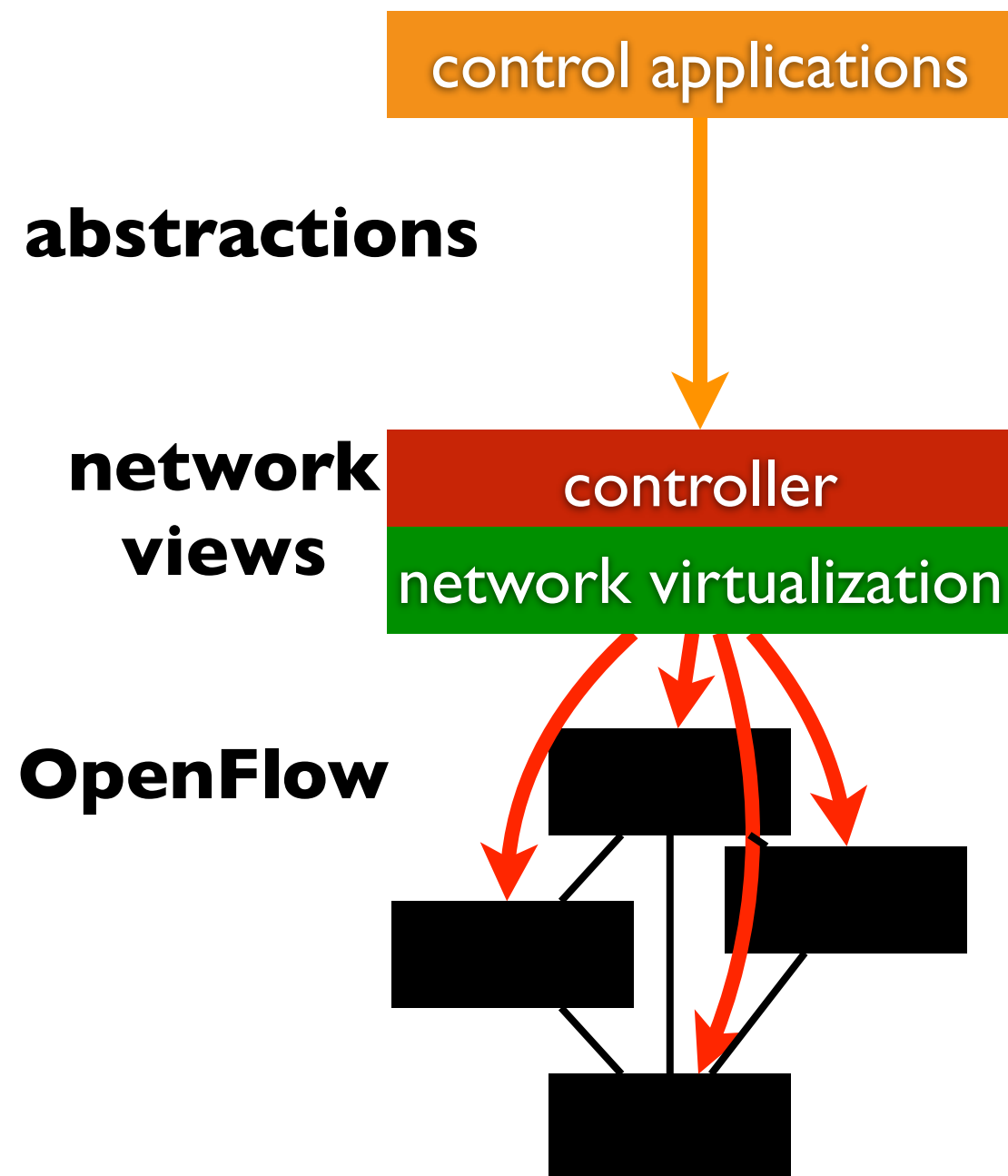
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# network virtualization



# recap: SDN technologies



supporting technologies

- central network control
- programmability
- network virtualization

benefits

- simplified operation with direct, network-wide control
- cost reduction with open hardware

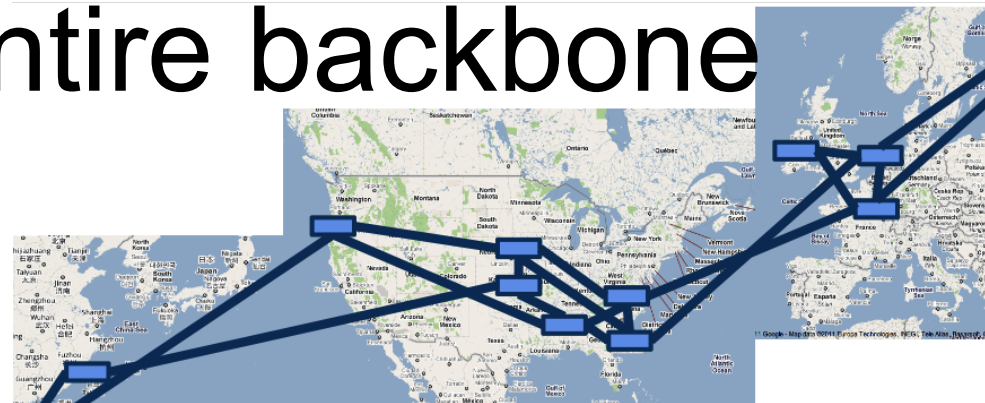
# a major trend in networking



OPEN NETWORKING  
FOUNDATION



Entire backbone



runs on SDN

Bought for  $\$1.2 \times 10^9$   
(mostly cash)

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