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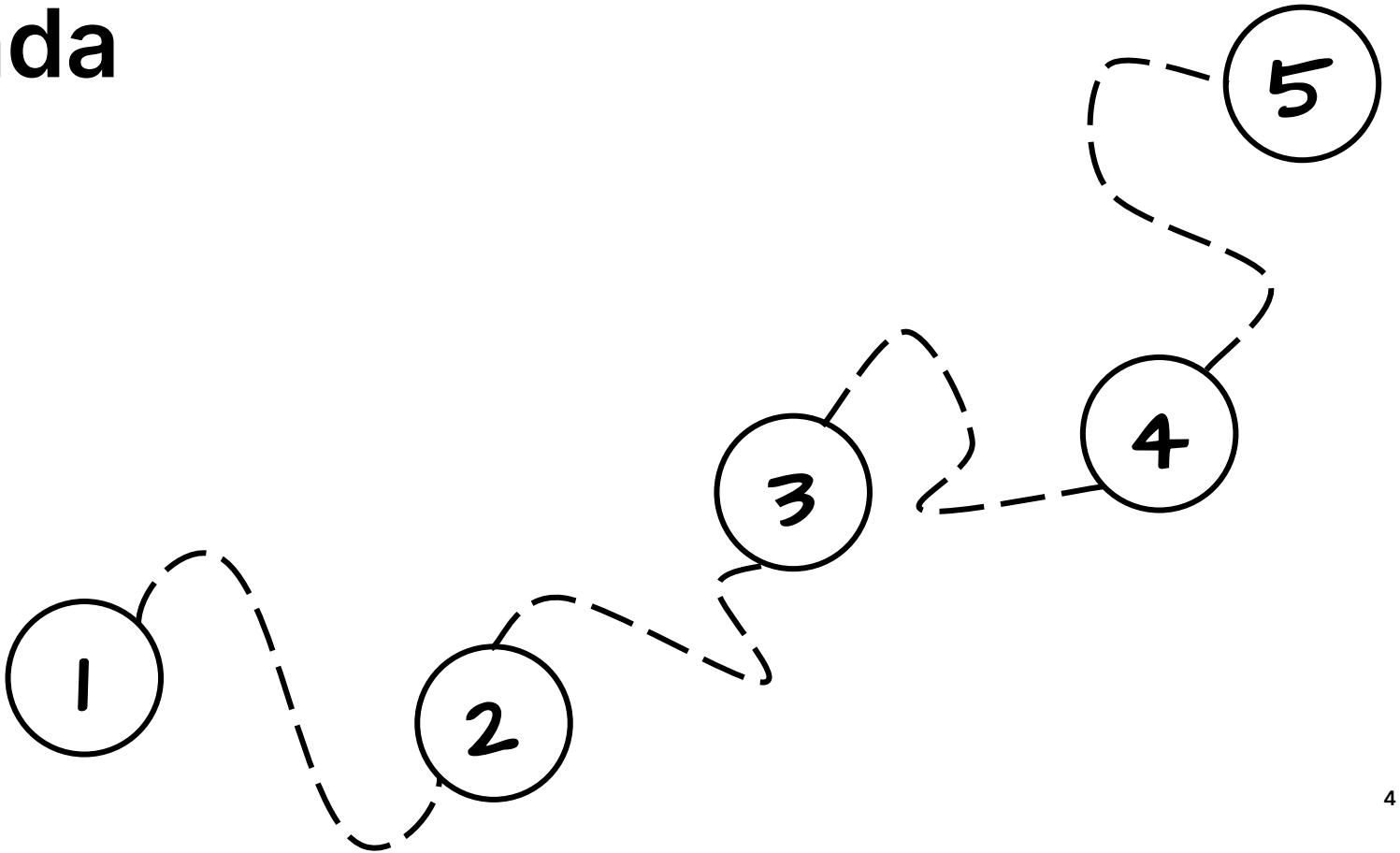

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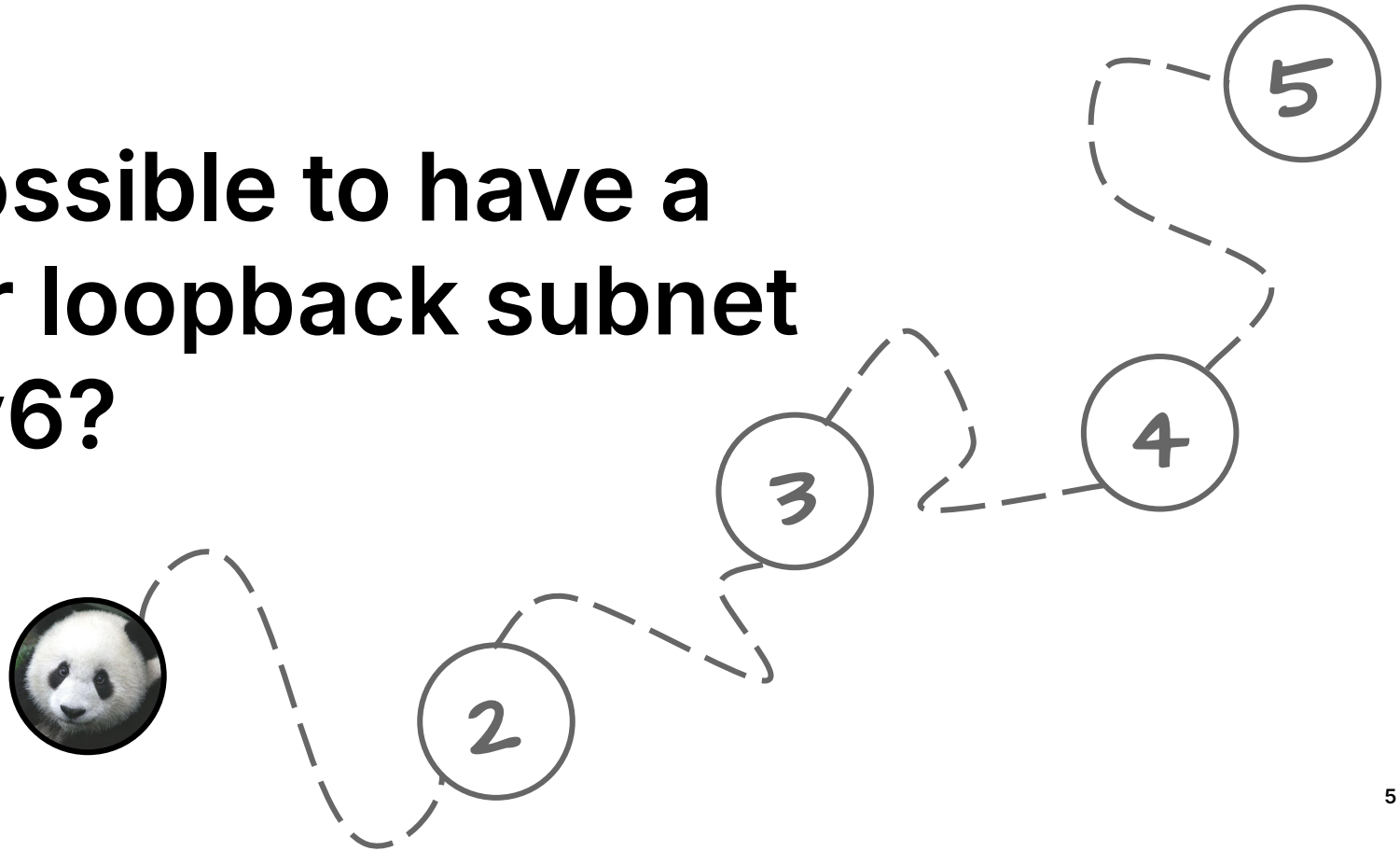
❶ Is it possible to have a proper loopback subnet for IPv6?



```
 ~ # ip -4 address show dev lo
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever

~ # ip -4 route show table local
local 127.0.0.0/8 dev lo proto kernel scope host src 127.0.0.1
local 127.0.0.1 dev lo proto kernel scope host src 127.0.0.1
broadcast 127.255.255.255 dev lo proto kernel scope link src 127.0.0.1

 ~ # ipcalc-ng --addresses 127.0.0.0/8
ADDRESSES=16777214
```

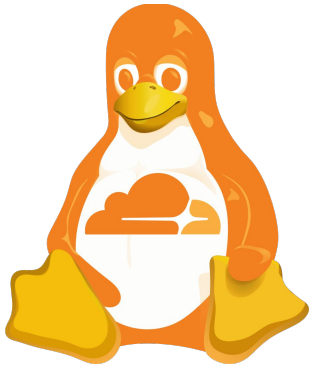
2^24 node-local addresses

```
 ~ # ip -6 address show dev lo
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever


 ~ # ip -6 route show table local
local ::1 dev lo proto kernel metric 0 pref medium
```

one node-local address

... but not Linux net stack fault



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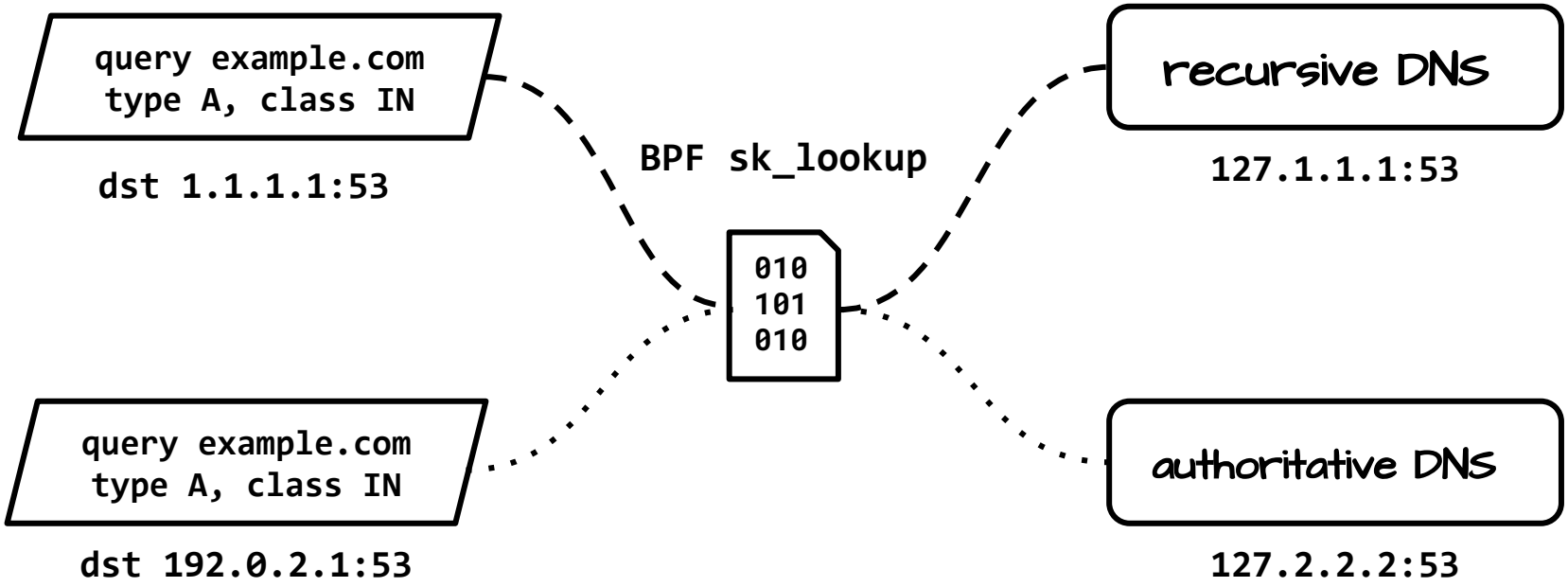
but...


query example.com
type A, class IN
dst 1.1.1.1:53
BPF sk_lookup
010
101
010
recursive DNS
127.1.1.1:53
query example.com
type A, class IN
dst 192.0.2.1:53
authoritative DNS
127.2.2.2:53

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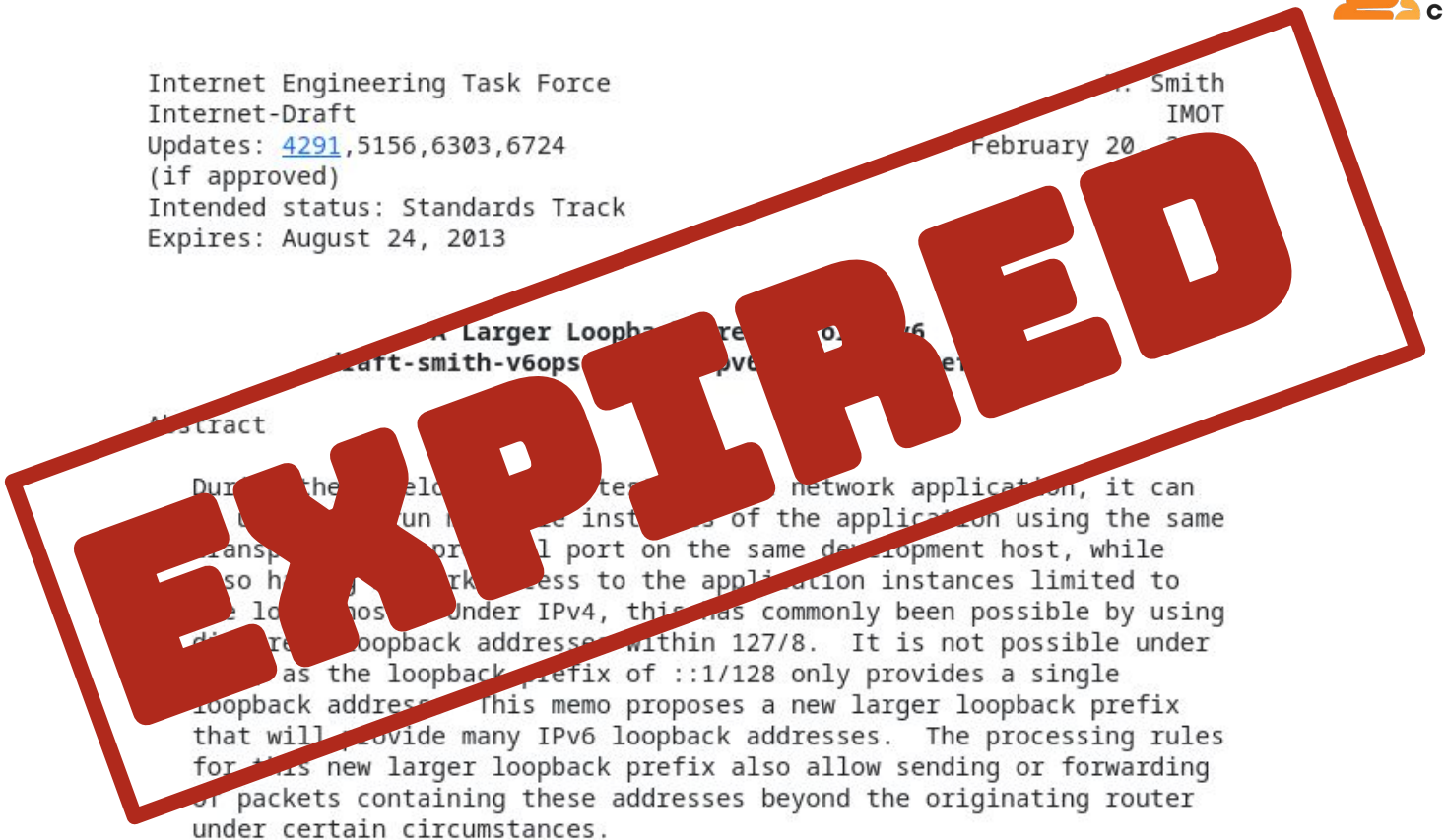
A Larger Loopback Prefix for IPv6
draft-smith-v6ops-larger-ipv6-loopback-prefix-04

Abstract

During the development and testing of a network application, it can be useful to run multiple instances of the application using the same transport layer protocol port on the same development host, while also having network access to the application instances limited to the local host. Under IPv4, this has commonly been possible by using different loopback addresses within 127/8. It is not possible under IPv6, as the loopback prefix of ::1/128 only provides a single loopback address. This memo proposes a new larger loopback prefix that will provide many IPv6 loopback addresses. The processing rules for this new larger loopback prefix also allow sending or forwarding of packets containing these addresses beyond the originating router under certain circumstances.

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/draft-smith-v6ops-larger-ipv6-loopback-prefix-04



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Unique local address

3 languages

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A **unique local address** (**ULA**) is an Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) address in the address range *fc00::/7*.[1] These addresses are non-globally reachable[2] (routable only within the scope of private networks, but not the global IPv6 Internet). For this reason, ULAs are somewhat analogous to IPv4 private network addressing, but with significant differences. Unique local addresses may be used freely, without centralized registration, inside a single site or organization or spanning a limited number of sites or organizations.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unique_local_address

The block with $L = 1$, *fd00::/8* follows the following format.

RFC 4193 block	Prefix/*L*	Global ID (random)	Subnet ID	Number of addresses in subnet
	48 bits		16 bits	64 bits
fd00::/8	fd	xx:xxxx:xxxx	yyyy	18 446 744 073 709 551 616

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unique_local_address

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fdXX:XXXX:XXXX::/48

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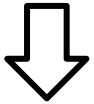
fdXX:XXXX:XXXX::/48



fd00:1009:bacc::/48

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fdXX:XXXX:XXXX::/48

fd00:1009:bacc::/48

F - D - double - O - LOOPBACK

`fdXX:XXXX:XXXX::/48`

`fd00:1009:bacc::/48`

F - D - double - O - LOOPBACK

We want it to be:

1. locally assigned
2. node-local

```
 ~ # ip address add fd00:1009:bacc::1/48 dev lo
 ~ # ip -6 address show dev lo
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    inet6 fd00:1009:bacc::1/48 scope global
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
 ~ #
```

default scope is wrong...

SYNOPSIS

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```
ip [ OPTIONS ] address { COMMAND | help }


ip address { add | change | replace } IFADDR dev IFNAME [ LIFETIME ] [
CONFFLAG-LIST ]

ip address del IFADDR dev IFNAME [ mngtmpaddr ]

ip address { save | flush } [ dev IFNAME ] [ scope SCOPE-ID ] [ metric METRIC
] [ to PREFIX ] [ FLAG-LIST ] [ label PATTERN ] [ up ]

ip address [ show [ dev IFNAME ] [ scope SCOPE-ID ] [ to PREFIX ] [ FLAG-LIST
] [ label PATTERN ] [ master DEVICE ] [ type TYPE ] [ vrf NAME ] [ up ] [
nomaster ] proto ADDRPROTO ] ]

ip address { showdump | restore }

IFADDR := PREFIX | ADDR peer PREFIX [ broadcast ADDR ] [ anycast ADDR ] [
label LABEL ] [ scope SCOPE-ID ] [ proto ADDRPROTO ]

SCOPE-ID := [ host | link | global | NUMBER ]

ADDRPROTO := [ NAME | NUMBER ]
```

… but it can be set

```
 ~ # ip address add fd00:1009:bacc::1/48 scope host dev lo
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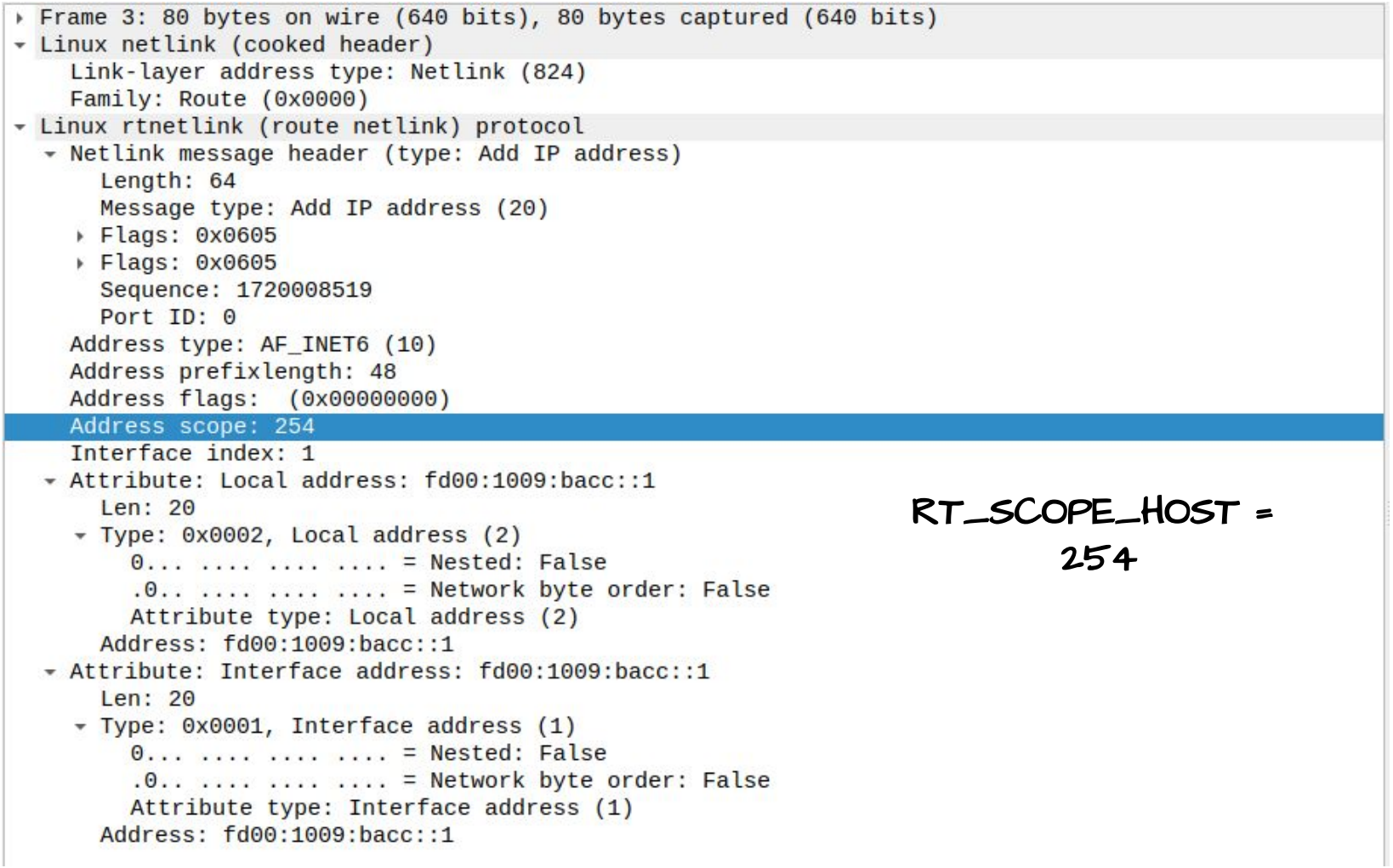
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
 ~ #
```



RT_SCOPE_HOST = 254

```
inet6_rtm_newaddr()
  inet6_addr_add()
    ipv6_addr_scope()
      __ipv6_addr_type()
    ipv6_add_addr()
```

handles RTM_NEWADDR (20) request
sets cfg->scope = ipv6_addr_scope(cfg->pfx)

determines address scope
sets ifa->scope = cfg->scope

passed scope is ignored ¯_(ツ)_/¯

__ipv6_addr_type() follows RFC 6724

3.4. IPv6 Loopback Address and Other Format Prefixes

The loopback address MUST be treated as having link-local scope (Section 4 of [RFC4007]) and "preferred" (in the RFC 4862 sense) configuration status.

NSAP addresses and other addresses with as-yet-undefined format prefixes MUST be treated as having global scope and "preferred" (in the RFC 4862) configuration status. Later standards might supersede this treatment.

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc6724#section-3.4

1. we can't set address scope, AND
2. we want an address for local communication only

Workaround?

If we want a strict setup like the default

`net.ipv4.conf.all.route_localnet = 0`

```
nft add rule ip6 filter input ip6 saddr fd00:1009:bacc::/48 iifname != "lo" drop
nft add rule ip6 filter output ip6 daddr fd00:1009:bacc::/48 oifname != "lo" drop
```

☑ one local address
☐ whole local subnet

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ipv6: Implement Any-IP support for IPv6.

```
AnyIP is the capability to receive packets and establish incoming
connections on IPs we have not explicitly configured on the machine.

An example use case is to configure a machine to accept all incoming
traffic on eth0, and leave the policy of whether traffic for a given IP
should be delivered to the machine up to the load balancer.

Can be setup as follows:
  ip -6 rule from all iif eth0 lookup 200
  ip -6 route add local default dev lo table 200
(in this case for all IPv6 addresses)

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Signed-off-by: David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net>
```

We have AnyIP

```
 ~ # ip -6 route add local fd00:1009:bacc::/48 dev lo src fd00:1009:bacc::1

 ~ # ip -6 route show table local
local ::1 dev lo proto kernel metric 0 pref medium
local fd00:1009:bacc::1 dev lo proto kernel metric 0 pref medium
local fd00:1009:bacc::/48 dev lo src fd00:1009:bacc::1 metric 1024 pref medium
```

1. routing treat all addresses from the subnet as local, on ingress and egress

2. ipv6 stack responds to ND requests on all of these addresses

Except you can't `bind()` to them...

```
~ # strace -e bind nc -6l fd00:1009:bacc::1 1111
bind(3, {sa_family=AF_INET6, sin6_port=htons(1111), sin6_flowinfo=htonl(0),
inet_pton(AF_INET6, "fd00:1009:bacc::1", &sin6_addr), sin6_scope_id=0}, 28) = 0
^Cstrace: Process 2208695 detached
~ #

~ # strace -e bind nc -6l fd00:1009:bacc::dead 1111
bind(3, {sa_family=AF_INET6, sin6_port=htons(1111), sin6_flowinfo=htonl(0),
inet_pton(AF_INET6, "fd00:1009:bacc::dead", &sin6_addr), sin6_scope_id=0}, 28) = -1
EADDRNOTAVAIL (Cannot assign requested address)
nc: Cannot assign requested address
+++ exited with 1 +++
~ #
```

```
~ # perf ftrace -C3 -G inet6_bind --graph-opts=noirqs | cat
# tracer: function_graph
#
# CPU  DURATION                  FUNCTION CALLS
# |     |   |                     |   |   |   |
  3)               |  inet6_bind() {
  3)               |    __inet6_bind() {
  3)   0.244 us    |      __ipv6_addr_type(); /* = 0xe0001 */
  3)               |      ipv6_chk_addr() {
  3)               |        __ipv6_chk_addr_and_flags() {
  3)   1.106 us    |        } /* __ipv6_chk_addr_and_flags = 0x0 */
  3)   1.607 us    |      } /* ipv6_chk_addr = 0x0 */ 👎
  3)   7.635 us    |    } /* __inet6_bind = -99 */
  3) + 19.603 us   |  } /* inet6_bind = -99 */
~ #
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~ #
```

__inet6_bind()

```
if (!(addr_type & IPV6_ADDR_MULTICAST)) {
    if (!ipv6_can_nonlocal_bind(net, inet) &&
        !ipv6_chk_addr(net, &addr->sin6_addr,
               dev, 0)) {
        err = -EADDRNOTAVAIL;
        goto out_unlock;
    }
}
```

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               dev, 0)) {
        err = -EADDRNOTAVAIL;
        goto out_unlock;
    }
}
```

ipv6_can_nonlocal_bind()

```
static inline bool ipv6_can_nonlocal_bind(struct net *net,
                      struct inet_sock *inet)
{
    return net->ipv6.sysctl.ip_nonlocal_bind ||
        test_bit(INET_FLAGS_FREEBIND, &inet->inet_flags) ||
        test_bit(INET_FLAGS_TRANSPARENT, &inet->inet_flags);
}
```


ip_nonlocal_bind
sysctl
IPV6_FREEBIND
sockopt
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IDEA

- Enable setting `IPV6_FREEBIND` with `bpf_setsockopt()`

- Call it from `BPF_CGROUP_INET[46]_BIND` hook
  when addr matches

Allows for a finer policy than `ip_non_local_bind` sysctl

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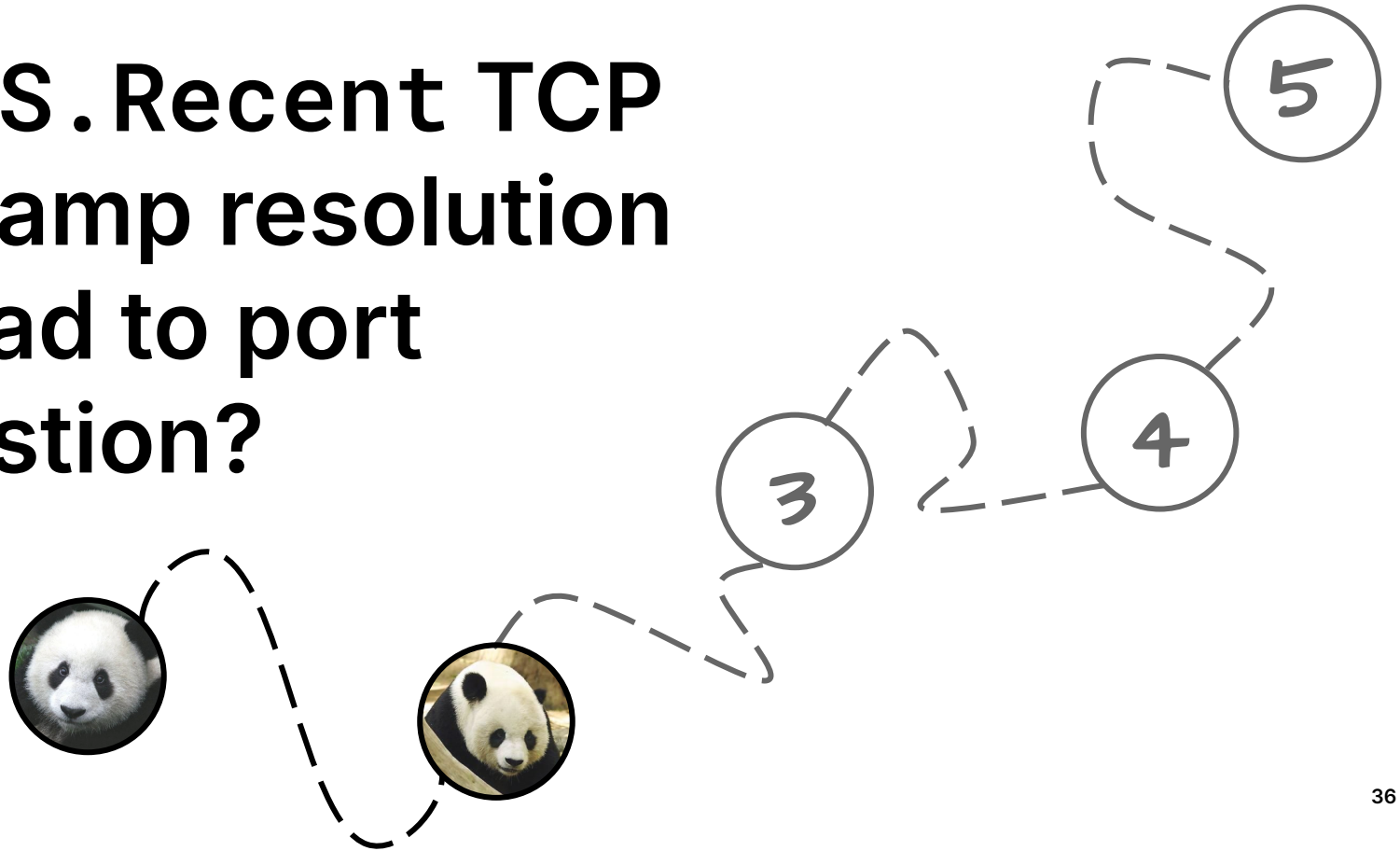
❷ How TS.Recent TCP timestamp resolution can lead to port exhaustion?



```
#!/bin/env python3
# this_works.py

from socket import *
from time import sleep

ln = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM)
ln.setsockopt(SOL_SOCKET, SO_REUSEADDR, 1)
ln.bind(('127.1.1.1', 1111))
ln.listen(SOMAXCONN)

for _ in range(1000):
    s = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM)
    s.setsockopt(SOL_SOCKET, SO_REUSEADDR, 1)
    s.bind(('127.2.2.2', 2222))
    s.connect_ex(('127.1.1.1', 1111))
    s.close()

    sleep(0.010) # wait 10 msec
```

```
~ # strace -c -e connect ./this_works.py
% time     seconds  usecs/call     calls    errors syscall
------ ----------- ----------- --------- --------- ----------------
100.00    0.044373          44      1000           connect
------ ----------- ----------- --------- --------- ----------------
100.00    0.044373          44      1000           total
~ #
```

This works

```
#!/bin/env python3
# this_doesnt.py

from socket import *
from time import sleep

IP_LOCAL_PORT_RANGE = 51

# listener setup as last time…

for _ in range(1000):
    s = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM)
    s.setsockopt(SOL_IP, IP_BIND_ADDRESS_NO_PORT, 1)
    s.setsockopt(SOL_IP, IP_LOCAL_PORT_RANGE, 44_444 << 16 | 44_444)
    s.bind(("127.2.2.2", 0))
    s.connect_ex(("127.1.1.1", 1111))  # ignore errors
    s.close()

    sleep(0.010)  # wait 10 msec
```

use single-port ephemeral range

```
# strace -c -e connect ./this_doesnt.py
% time     seconds  usecs/call     calls    errors syscall
------ ----------- ----------- --------- --------- ----------------
100.00    0.008996           8      1000       988 connect
------ ----------- ----------- --------- --------- ----------------
100.00    0.008996           8      1000       988 total
#
```

This doesn't 👎

```
# strace -tt -z -e connect ./this_doesnt.py
22:01:34.839231 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:34.911347 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:35.913553 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:36.916284 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:37.908789 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:38.909912 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:39.909908 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:40.915194 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:41.911430 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:42.910067 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:43.912075 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:44.908675 connect(4, {sa_family=AF_INET, sin_port=htons(1111), sin_addr=inet_addr("127.1.1.1")}, 16) = 0
22:01:45.507782 +++ exited with 0 +++
#
```

We succeed once every second

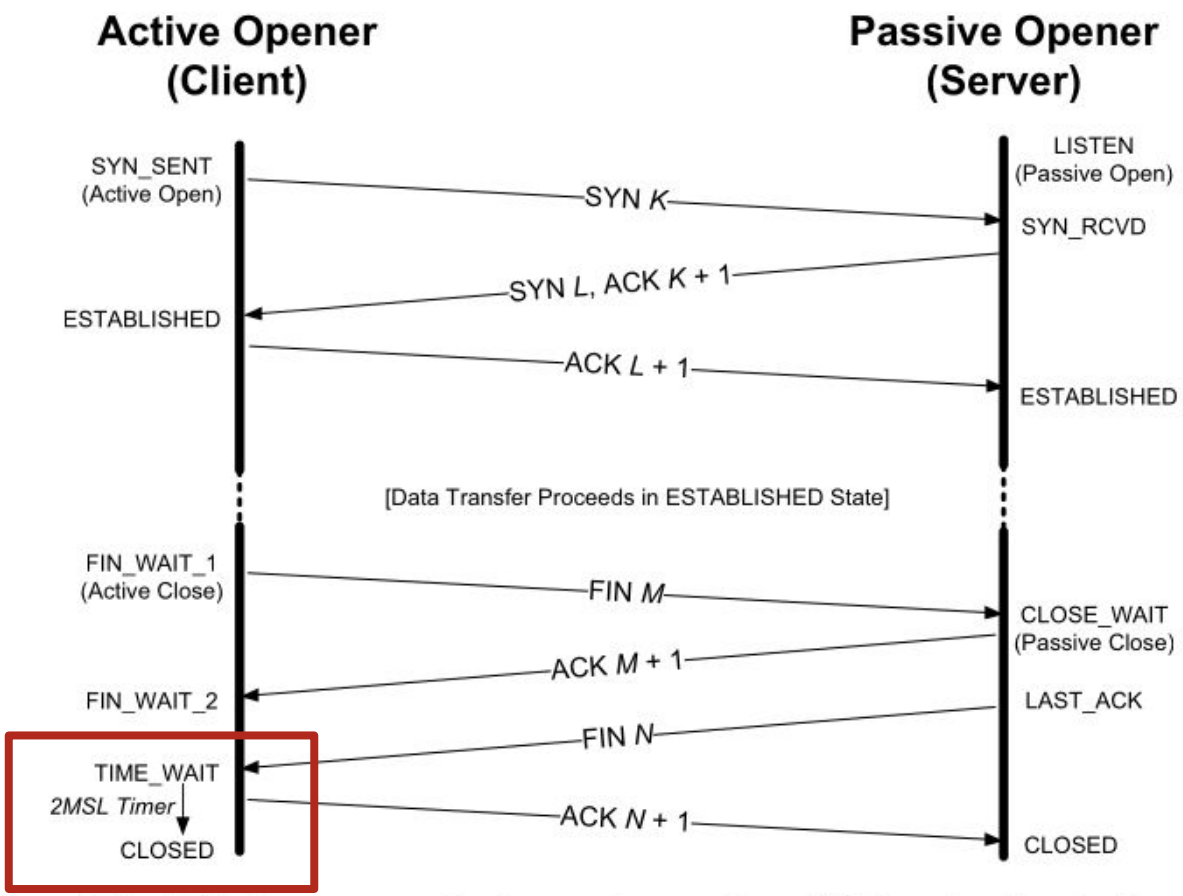


Figure 13-9 TCP states corresponding to normal connection establishment and termination

Stevens, W. Richard; Fall, Kevin R.; Wright, Gary R. (1994). TCP/IP illustrated (Volume 1): The Protocols

```
# sysctl net.ipv4.tcp_fin_timeout
net.ipv4.tcp_fin_timeout = 60
```

☜ *2MSL timeout in seconds*

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TCP Extensions for High Performance

Abstract

This document specifies a set of TCP extensions to improve performance over paths with a large bandwidth * delay product and to provide reliable operation over very high-speed paths. It defines the TCP Window Scale (WS) option and the TCP Timestamps (TS) option and their semantics. The Window Scale option is used to support larger receive windows, while the Timestamps option can be used for at least two distinct mechanisms, Protection Against Wrapped Sequences (PAWS) and Round-Trip Time Measurement (RTTM), that are also described herein.

This document obsoletes RFC 1323 and describes changes from it.

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc7323

Appendix B. Duplicates from Earlier Connection Incarnations

B.2. Closing and Reopening a Connection

(b) Allow old duplicate segments to expire.

To replace this function of TIME-WAIT state, a mechanism would have to operate across connections. PAWS is defined strictly within a single connection; the last timestamp (TS.Recent) is kept in the connection control block and discarded when a connection is closed.

An additional mechanism could be added to the TCP, a per-host cache of the last timestamp received from any connection. This value could then be used in the PAWS mechanism to reject old duplicate segments from earlier incarnations of the connection, if the timestamp clock can be guaranteed to have ticked at least once since the old connection was open. This would require that the TIME-WAIT delay plus the RTT together must be at least one tick of the sender's timestamp clock. Such an extension is not part of the proposal of this RFC.

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc7323#appendix-B.2

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Allow to bind to an already in use local port

Notice: this object is not reachable from any branch.

during connect when the connection will still have a unique identity. Fixes port space exhaustion, especially in web caches.

Initial work done by Andi Kleen.

Notice: this object is not reachable from any branch.

https://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/torvalds/linux.git/commit/?id=b8439924316d5bcb266d165b93d632a4b4b859af

```
tcp_tw_reuse - INTEGER
        Enable reuse of TIME-WAIT sockets for new connections when it is
        safe from protocol viewpoint.

        - 0 - disable
        - 1 - global enable
        - 2 - enable for loopback traffic only

        It should not be changed without advice/request of technical
        experts.

        Default: 2
```

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tcp_twsk_unique()

```
144         /* With PAWS, it is safe from the viewpoint
145            of data integrity. Even without PAWS it is safe provided sequence
146            spaces do not overlap i.e. at data rates <= 80Mbit/sec.
147
148            Actually, the idea is close to VJ's one, only timestamp cache is
149            held not per host, but per port pair and TW bucket is used as state
150            holder.
151
152            If TW bucket has been already destroyed we fall back to VJ's scheme
153            and use initial timestamp retrieved from peer table.
154         */
155         if (tcptw->tw_ts_recent_stamp &&
156             (!twp || (reuse && time_after32(ktime_get_seconds(),
157                                             tcptw->tw_ts_recent_stamp)))) {
```

https://elixir.bootlin.com/linux/v6.10/source/net/ipv4/tcp_ipv4.c#L144

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```
dig +short +tcp @8.8.8.8 example.com A
```

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000	198.41.138.37	8.8.8.8	TCP	74	25933 → 53 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=65535 Len=0 MSS=1220 SACK_PERM TSval=1
2	0.001	8.8.8.8	198.41.138.37	TCP	74	53 → 25933 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=65535 Len=0 MSS=1412 SACK_P
3	0.001	198.41.138.37	8.8.8.8	TCP	66	25933 → 53 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=65536 Len=0 TSval=1317784939 TSe
4	0.001	198.41.138.37	8.8.8.8	DNS	120	Standard query 0x543c A example.com OPT
5	0.003	8.8.8.8	198.41.138.37	TCP	66	53 → 25933 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=55 Win=65536 Len=0 TSval=2653034047 TS
6	0.003	8.8.8.8	198.41.138.37	DNS	124	Standard query response 0x543c A example.com A 93.184.215.14 OPT
7	0.003	198.41.138.37	8.8.8.8	TCP	66	25933 → 53 [ACK] Seq=55 Ack=59 Win=65536 Len=0 TSval=1317784941 T
8	0.004	198.41.138.37	8.8.8.8	TCP	66	25933 → 53 [FIN, ACK] Seq=55 Ack=59 Win=65536 Len=0 TSval=1317784
9	0.005	8.8.8.8	198.41.138.37	TCP	66	53 → 25933 [FIN, ACK] Seq=59 Ack=56 Win=65536 Len=0 TSval=2653034
10	0.005	198.41.138.37	8.8.8.8	TCP	66	25933 → 53 [ACK] Seq=56 Ack=60 Win=65536 Len=0 TSval=1317784943 T

From SYN to last ACK - few milliseconds
TIME-WAIT reuse after - (up to) a second

```
From: Jakub Sitnicki <jakub@cloudflare.com>
To: netdev@vger.kernel.org
Cc: Eric Dumazet <edumazet@google.com>, kernel-team@cloudflare.com
Subject: [PATCH RFC net-next] tcp: Allow TIME-WAIT reuse after 1 millisecond
Date: Mon, 19 Aug 2024 13:31:02 +0200   [thread overview]
Message-ID: <20240819-jakub-krn-909-poc-msec-tw-tstamp-v1-1-6567b5006fbe@cloudflare.com> (raw)

[This patch needs a description. Please see the RFC cover letter below.]

Signed-off-by: Jakub Sitnicki <jakub@cloudflare.com>
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Can we shorten the TCP connection reincarnation period?

Situation
=========

Currently, we can reuse a TCP 4-tuple (source IP + port, destination IP + port)
in the TIME-WAIT state to establish a new outgoing TCP connection after a period
of 1 second. This period, during which the 4-tuple remains blocked from reuse,
is determined by the granularity of the ts_recent_stamp / tw_ts_recent_stamp
timestamp, which presently uses a 1 Hz clock (ktime_get_seconds).

The TIME-WAIT block is enforced by __{inet,inet6}_check_established ->
tcp_twsk_unique, where we check if the timestamp clock has ticked since the last
ts_recent_stamp update before allowing the 4-tuple to be reused.

This mechanism, introduced in 2002 by commit b8439924316d ("Allow to bind to an
already in use local port during connect") [1], protects the TCP receiver
against segments from an earlier incarnation of the same connection (FIN
retransmits), which could potentially corrupt the TCP stream, as described by
RFC 7323 [2, 3].
```

https://lore.kernel.org/all/20240819-jakub-krn-909-poc-msec-tw-tstamp-v1-1-6567b5006fbe@cloudflare.com/

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Initial feedback

* don't use jiffies for timestamps (where possible)
* account for RTT in reuse threshold
* watch out for integer roundoff
* make it configurable

🙏 Eric Dumazet

patch series TBC

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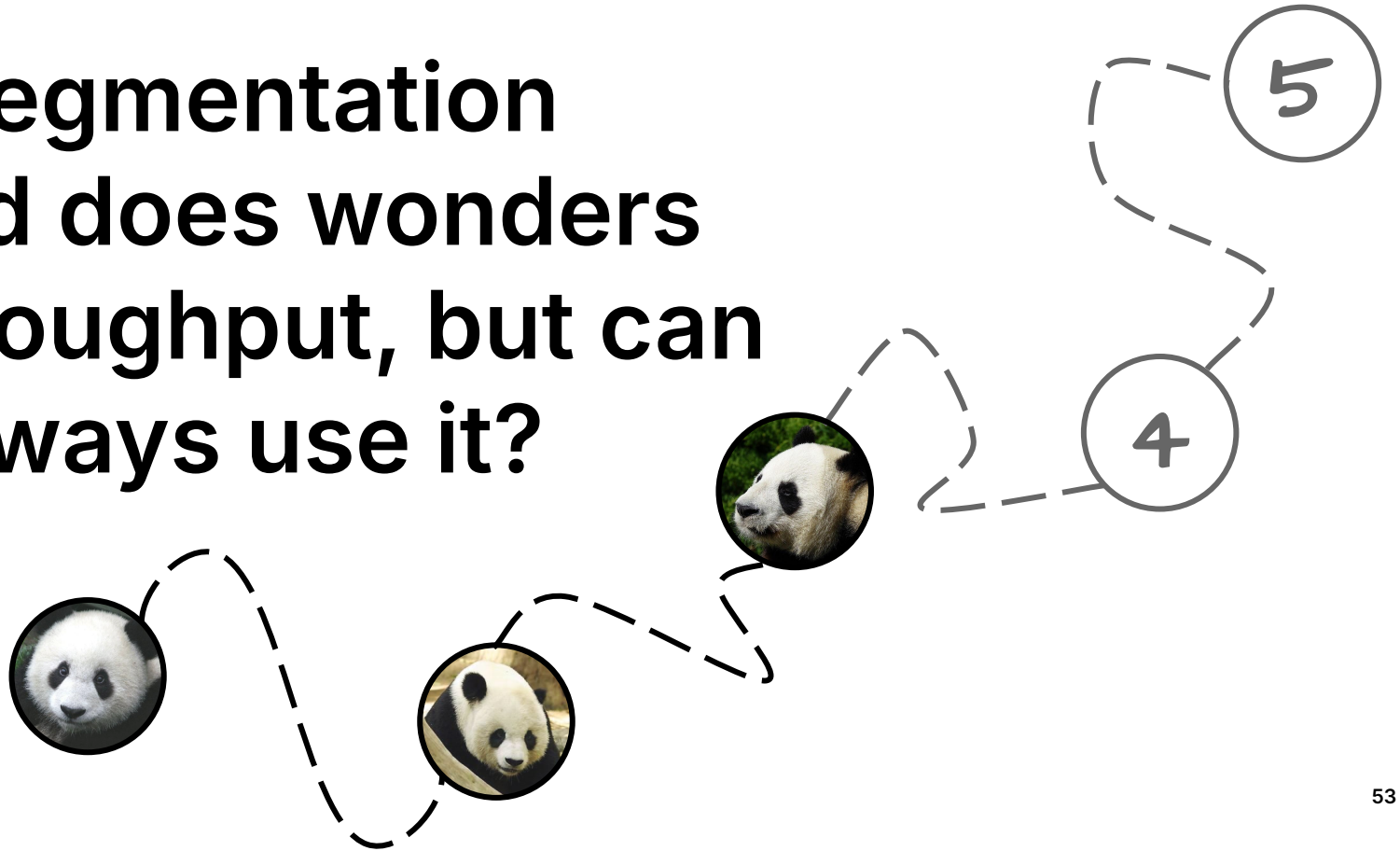
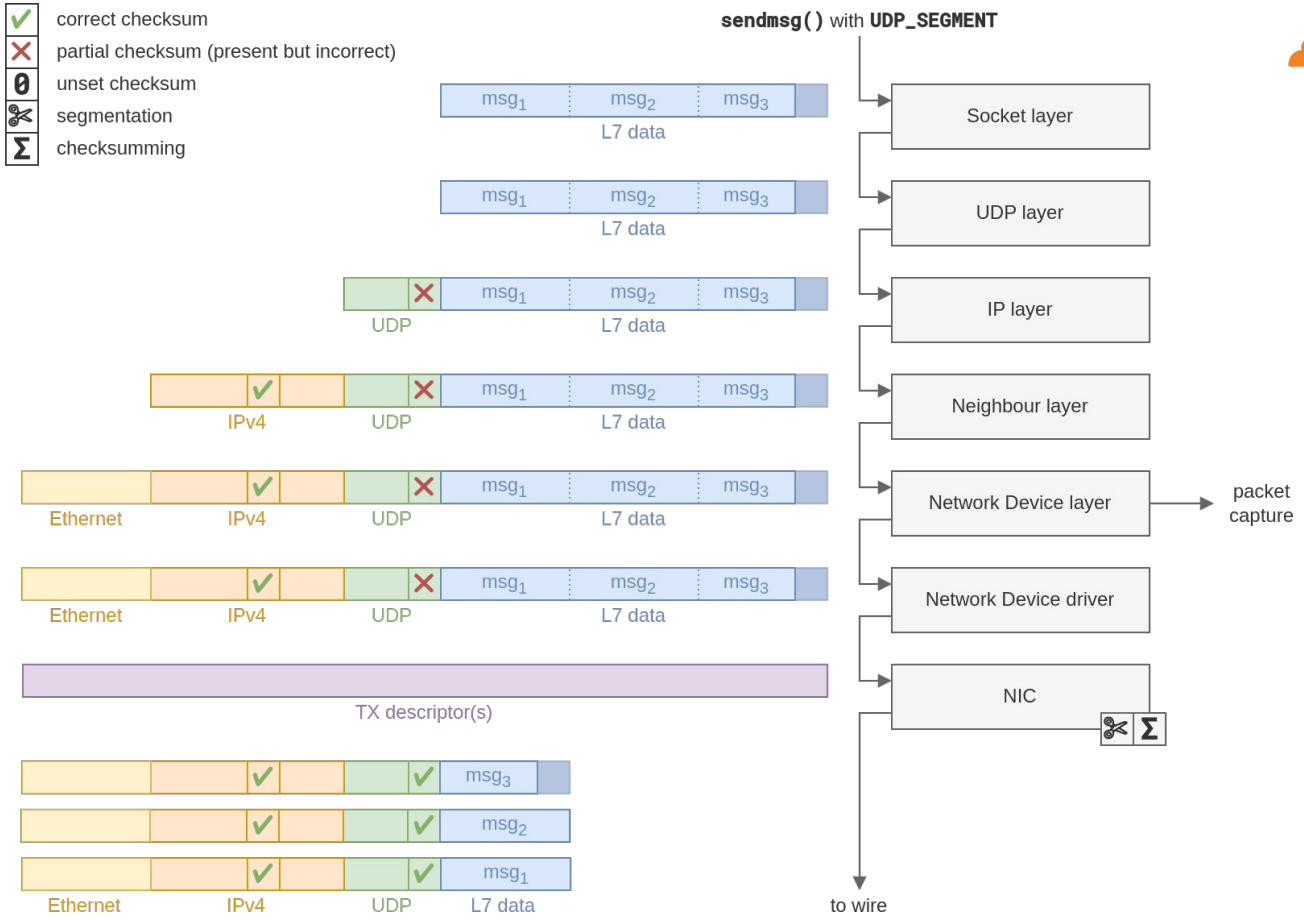
❸ UDP segmentation offload does wonders for throughput, but can you always use it?

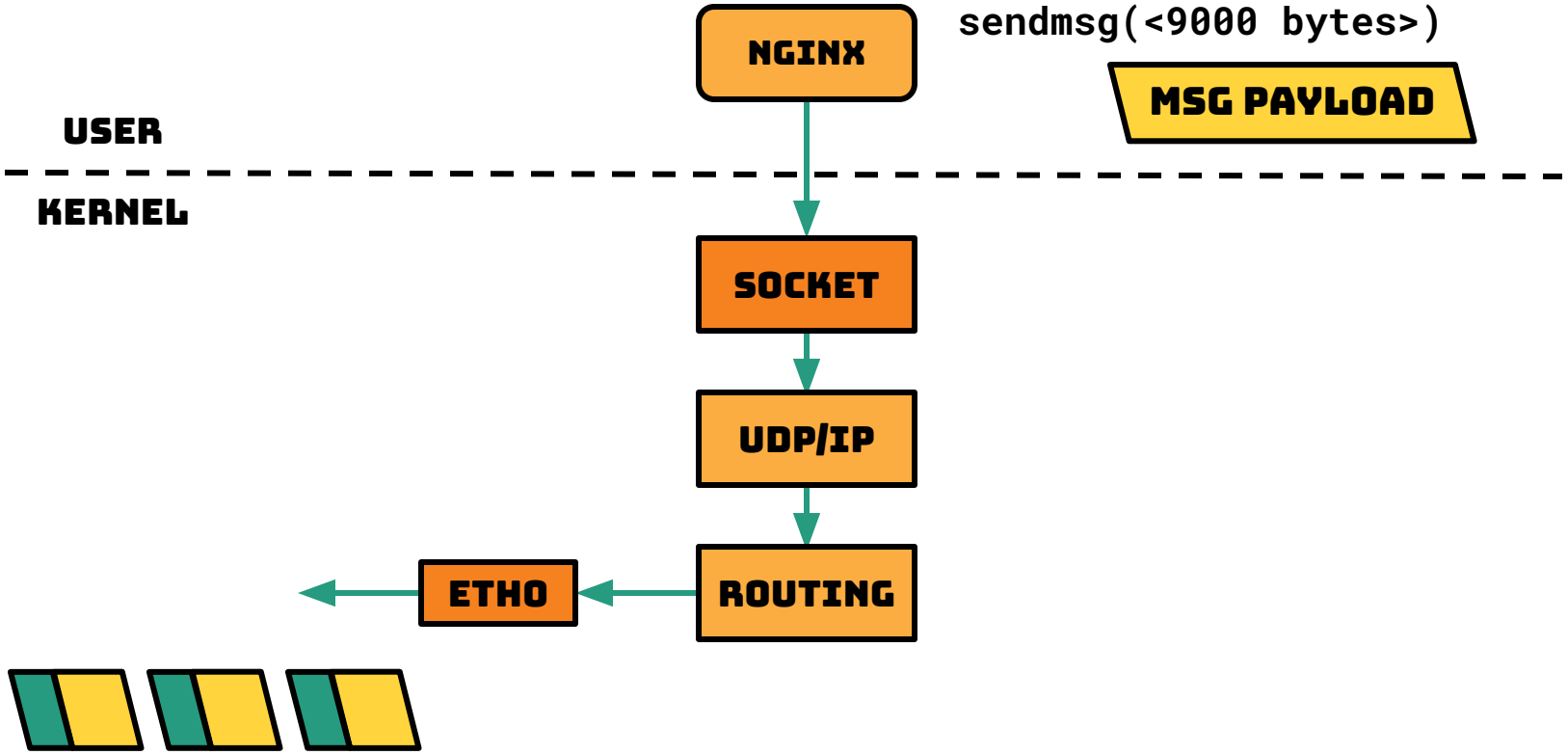


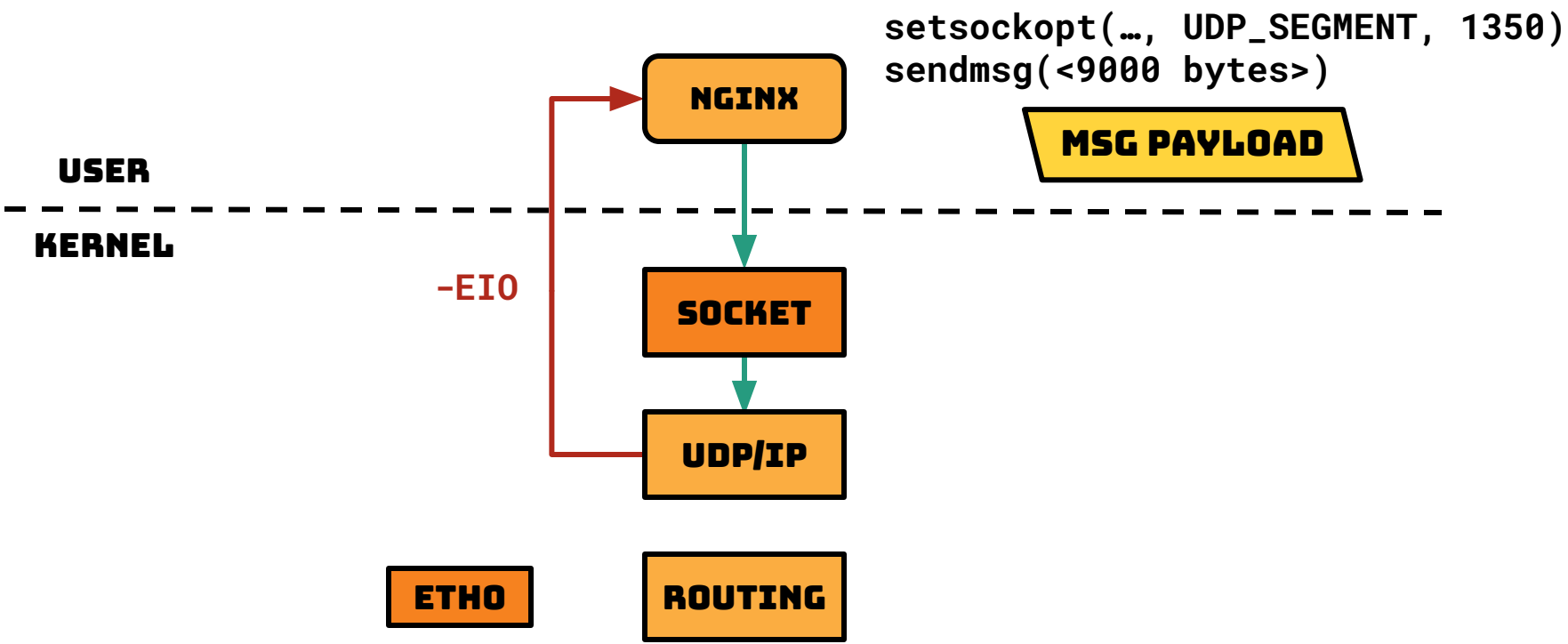


Hardware UDP Segmentation Offload

`tx-udp-segmentation=on`, `tx-checksum-ip-generic=on`

```
setsockopt(…, UDP_SEGMENT, 1350)
sendmsg(<9000 bytes>)
```

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SOCKET
UDP/IP
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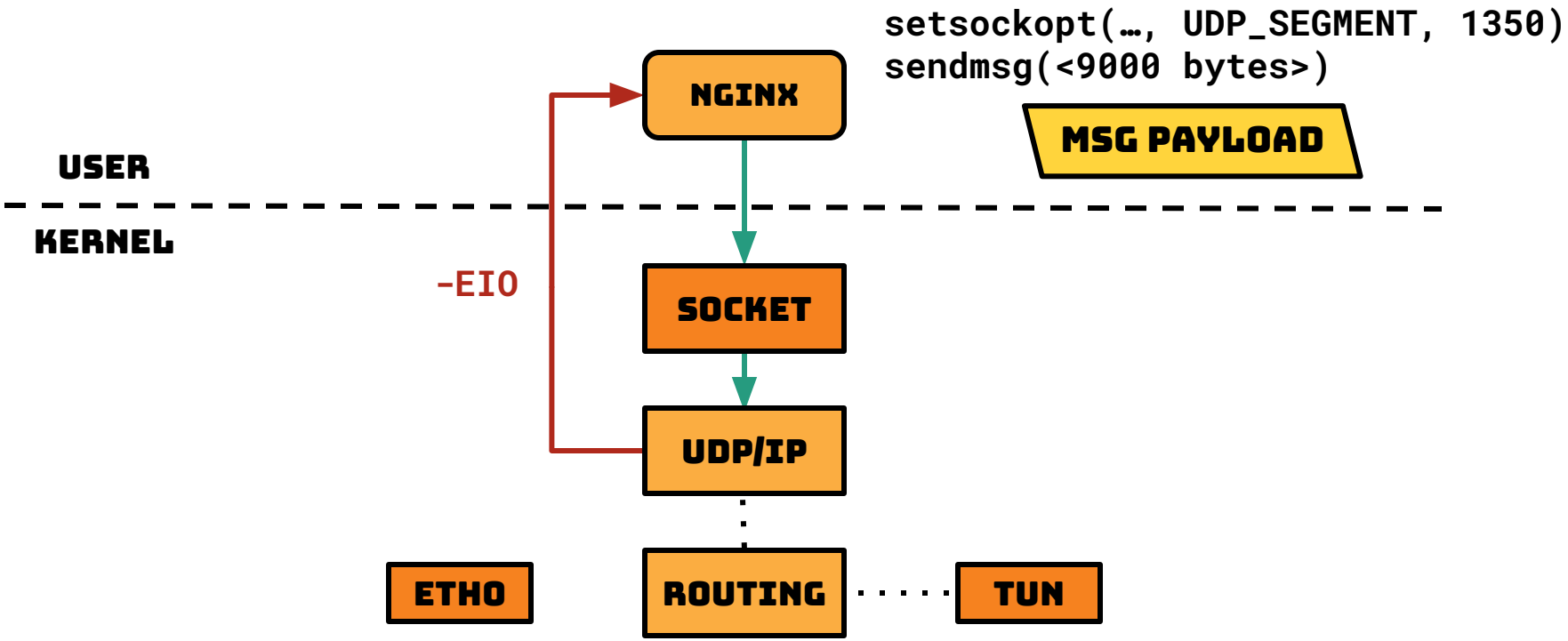
ROUTING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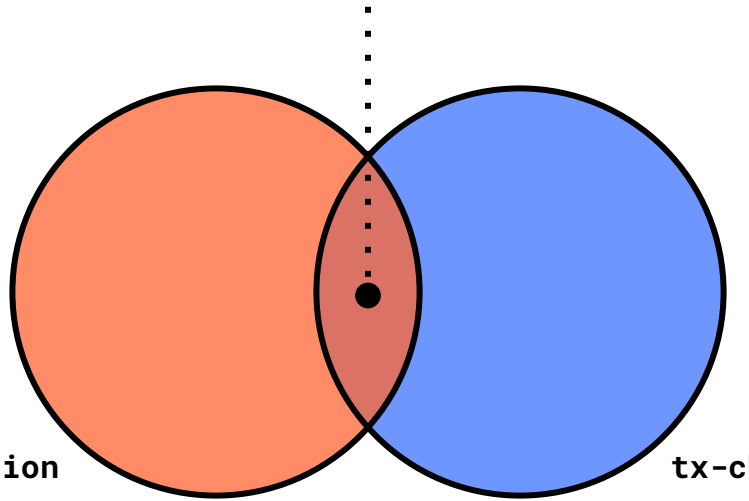
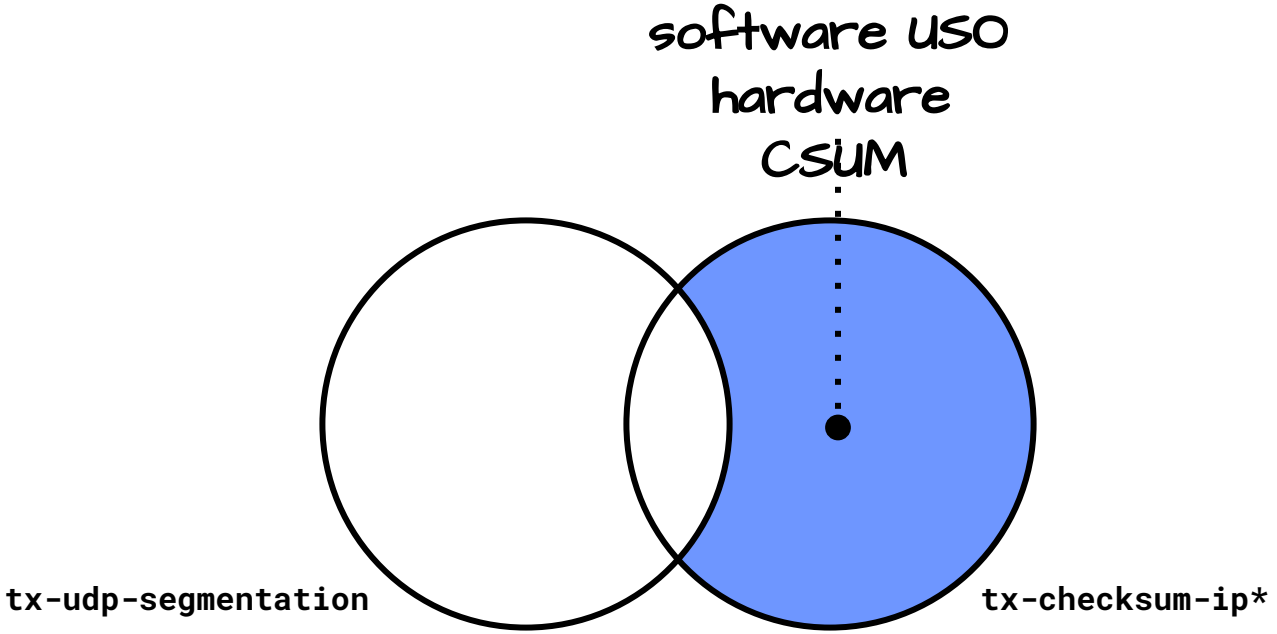
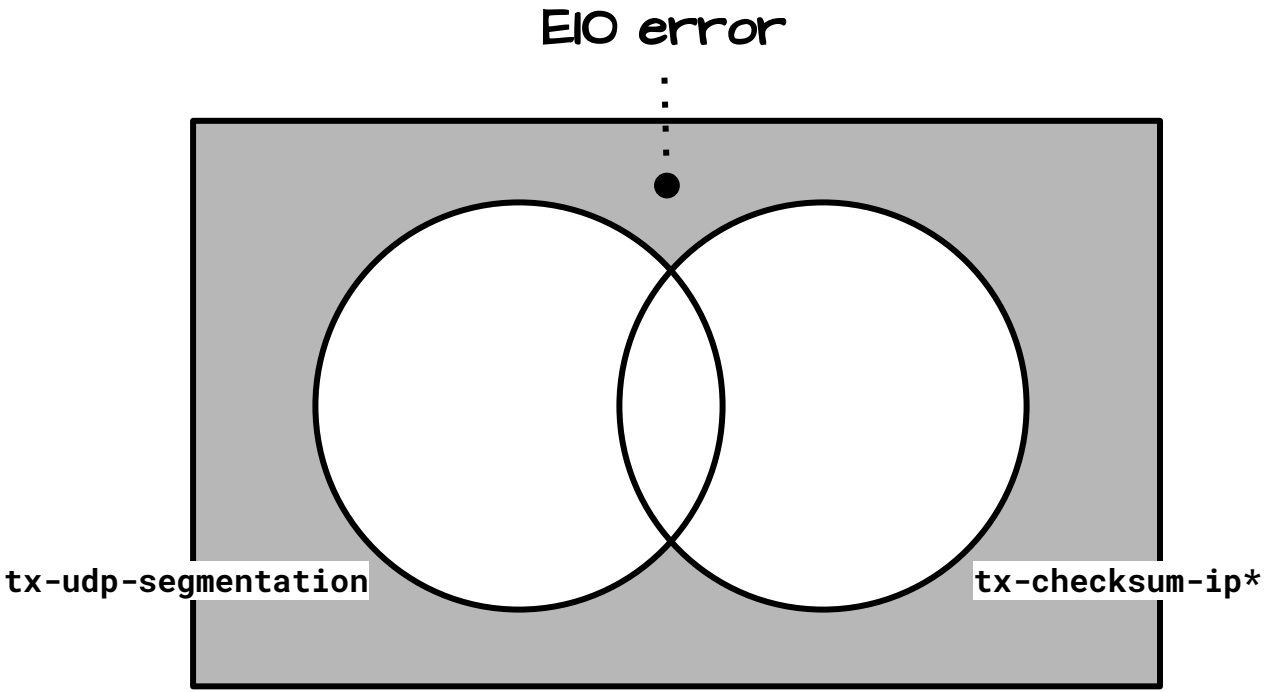
TUN

hardware USO & CSUM




software USO
hardware
CSUM
tx-udp-segmentation
tx-checksum-ip*


EIO error
tx-udp-segmentation
tx-checksum-ip*

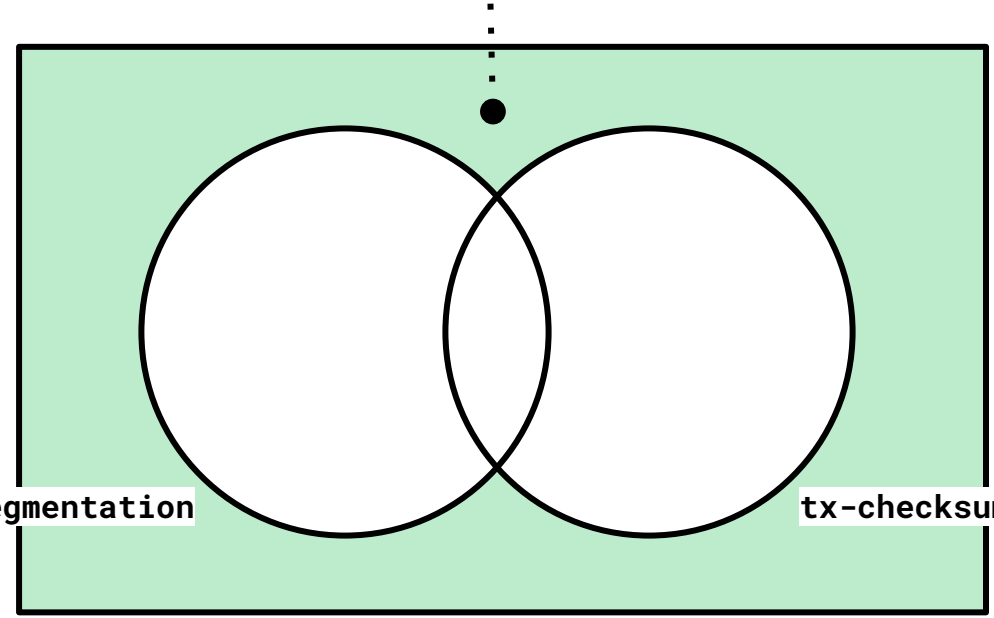
skb_segment()

```
4786                    if (!sg) {
4787                            if (!csum) {
4788                                    if (!nskb->remcsum_offload)
4789                                            nskb->ip_summed = CHECKSUM_NONE;
4790                                    SKB_GSO_CB(nskb)->csum =
4791                                            skb_copy_and_csum_bits(head_skb, offset,
4792                                                                   skb_put(nskb,
4793                                                                           len),
4794                                                                   len);
4795                                    SKB_GSO_CB(nskb)->csum_start =
4796                                            skb_headroom(nskb) + doffset;
4797                            } else {
4798                                    if (skb_copy_bits(head_skb, offset, skb_put(nskb, len), len))
4799                                            goto err;
4800                            }
4801                            continue;
4802                    }
```

https://elixir.bootlin.com/linux/v6.10/source/net/core/skbuff.c#L4791

~~EIO error~~

software USO & CSUM



udp: Allow GSO transmit from devices with no checksum offload

Today sending a UDP GSO packet from a TUN device results in an EIO error:

```
import fcntl, os, struct
from socket import *

TUNSETIFF = 0x400454CA
IFF_TUN = 0x0001
IFF_NO_PI = 0x1000
UDP_SEGMENT = 103

tun_fd = os.open("/dev/net/tun", os.O_RDWR)
ifr = struct.pack("16sH", b"tun0", IFF_TUN | IFF_NO_PI)
fcntl.ioctl(tun_fd, TUNSETIFF, ifr)

os.system("ip addr add 192.0.2.1/24 dev tun0")
os.system("ip link set dev tun0 up")

s = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_DGRAM)
s.setsockopt(SOL_UDP, UDP_SEGMENT, 1200)
s.sendto(b"x" * 3000, ("192.0.2.2", 9)) # EIO
```

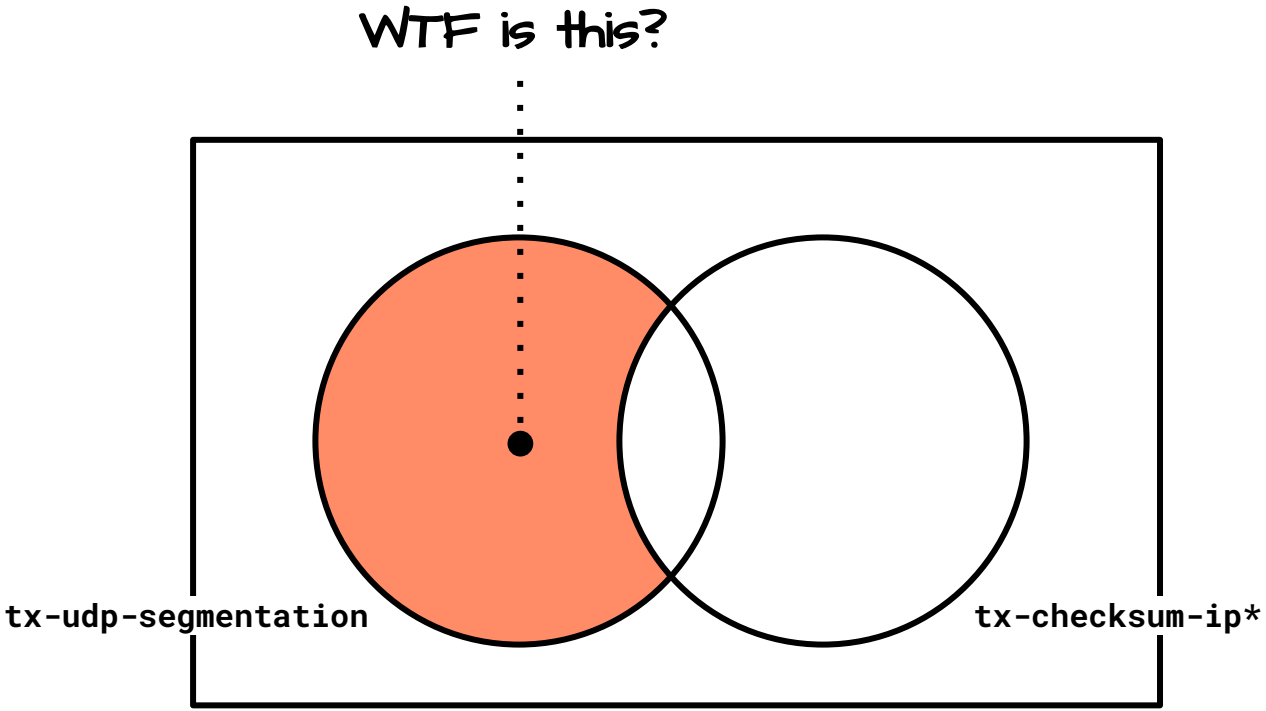
This is due to a check in the udp stack if the egress device offers checksum offload. While TUN/TAP devices, by default, don't advertise this capability because it requires support from the TUN/TAP reader.

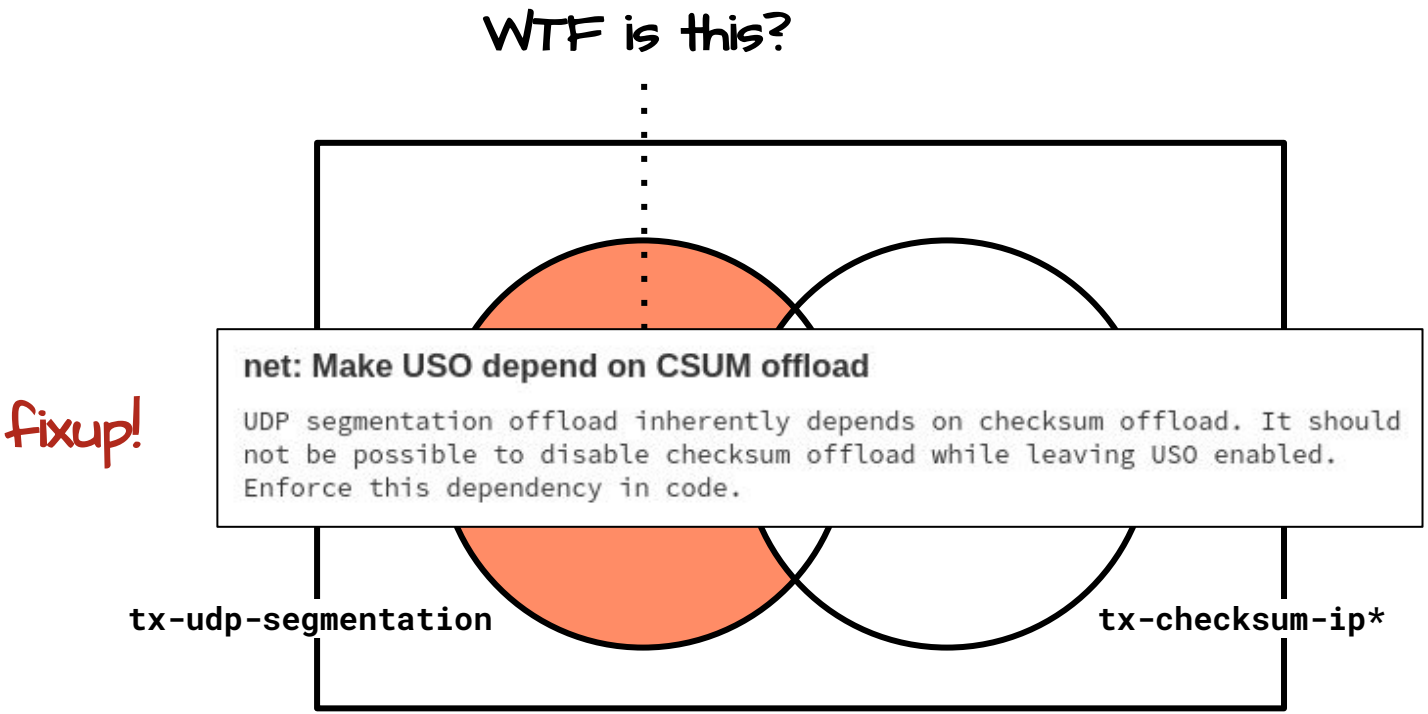
available in v6.11

https://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/torvalds/linux.git/commit/?id=10154dbded6d6a2fecaebdfda206609de0f121a9

“there is always a but in this imperfect world!”

— Anne Brontë, The Tenant of Wildfell Hall


WTF is this?
tx-udp-segmentation
tx-checksum-ip*



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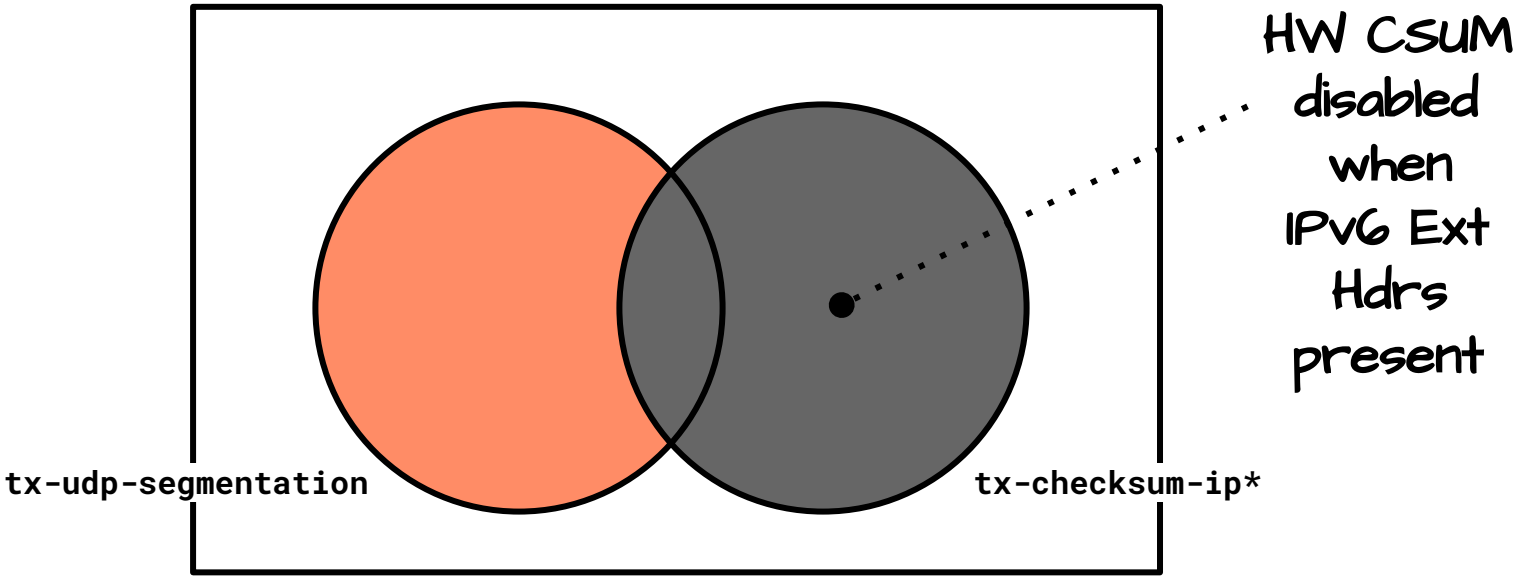
HW CSUM disabled when IPv6 Ext Hdrs present
tx-udp-segmentation
tx-checksum-ip*

fixup!

udp: Fall back to software USO if IPv6 extension headers are present

In commit 10154dbded6d ("udp: Allow GSO transmit from devices with no checksum offload") we have intentionally allowed UDP GSO packets marked CHECKSUM_NONE to pass to the GSO stack, so that they can be segmented and checksummed by a software fallback when the egress device lacks these features.

What was not taken into consideration is that a CHECKSUM_NONE skb can be handed over to the GSO stack also when the egress device advertises the tx-udp-segmentation / NETIF_F_GSO_UDP_L4 feature.

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HW CSUM disabled when IPv6 Ext Hdrs present

🙏 Willem de Bruijn

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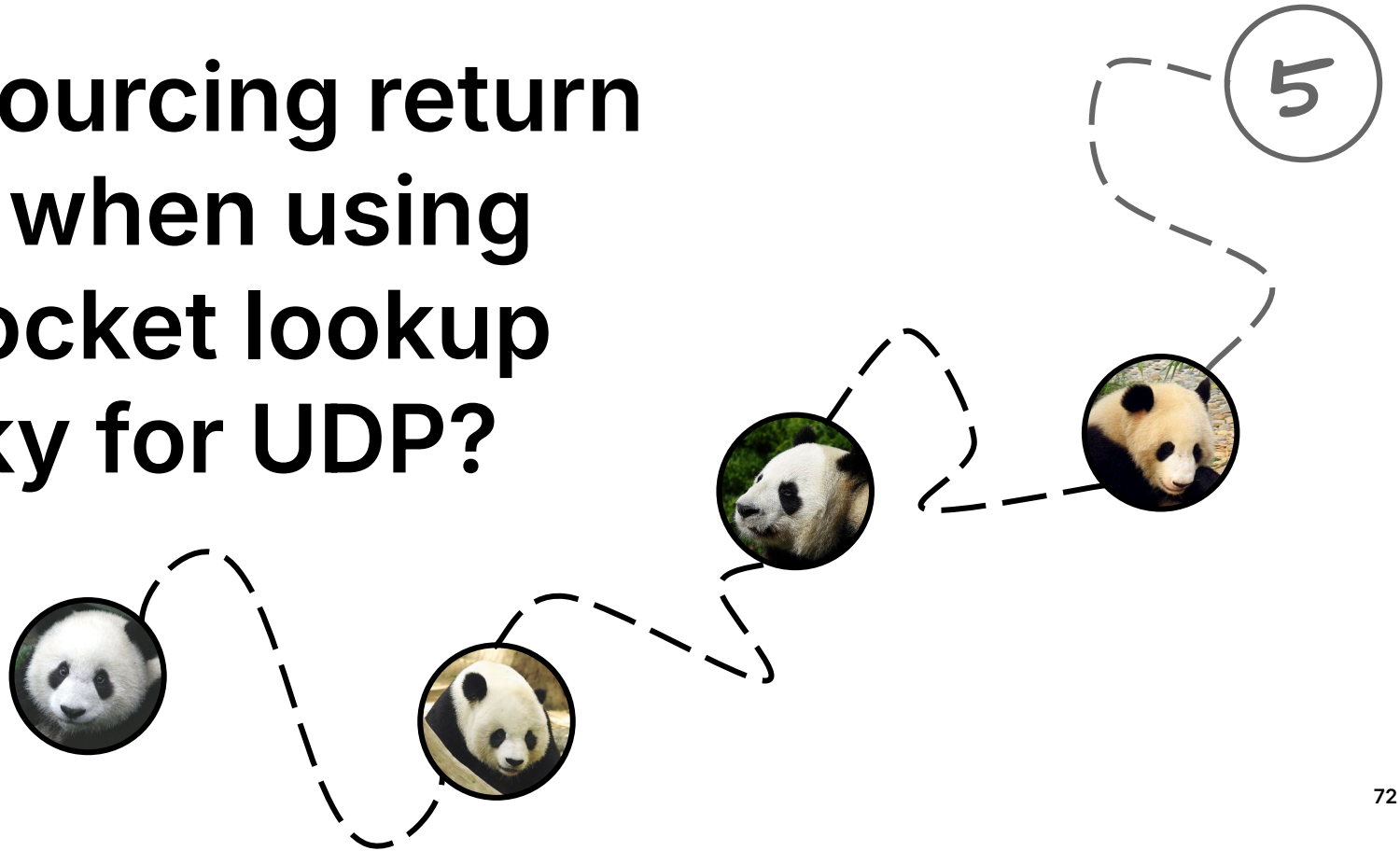
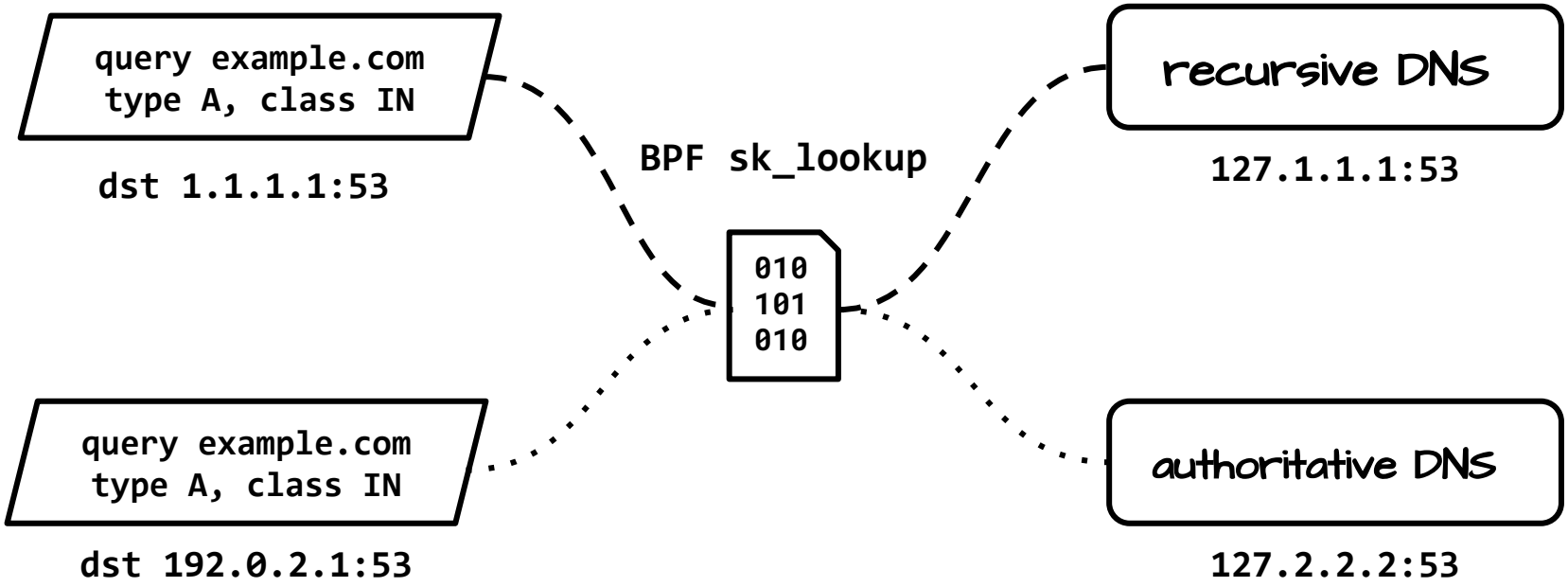
4 Why sourcing return traffic when using BPF socket lookup is tricky for UDP?




query example.com
type A, class IN
dst 1.1.1.1:53
BPF sk_lookup
010
101
010
recursive DNS
127.1.1.1:53
query example.com
type A, class IN
dst 192.0.2.1:53
authoritative DNS
127.2.2.2:53

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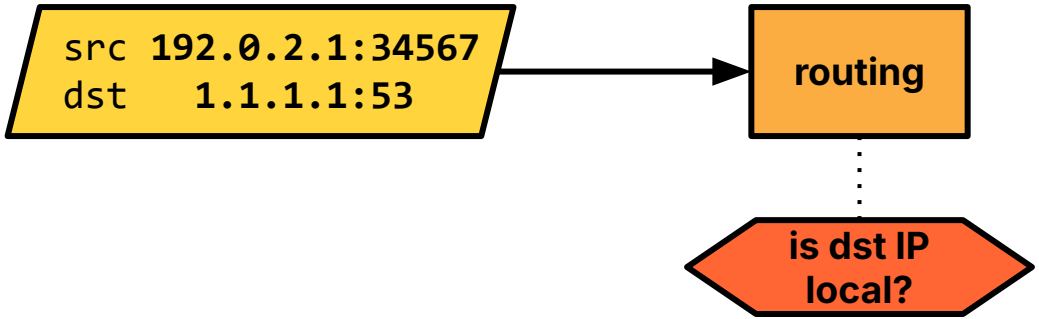
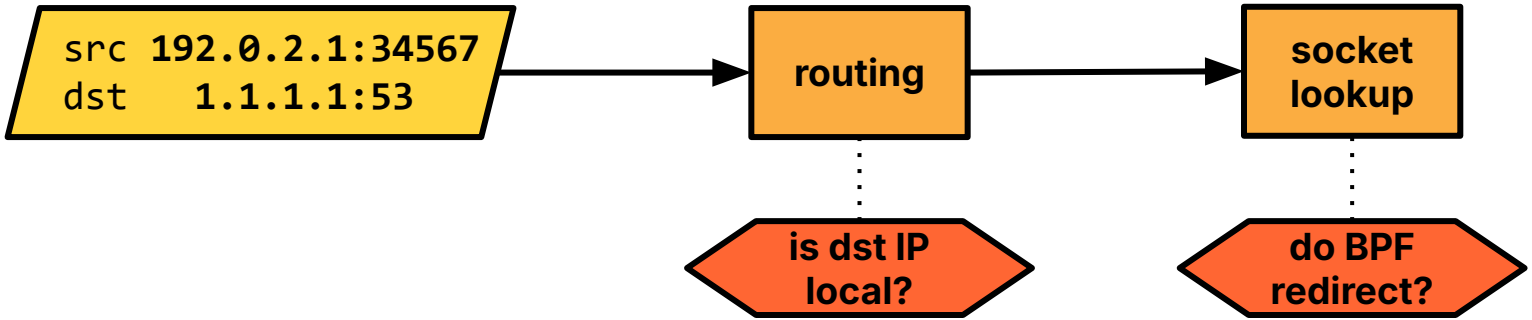
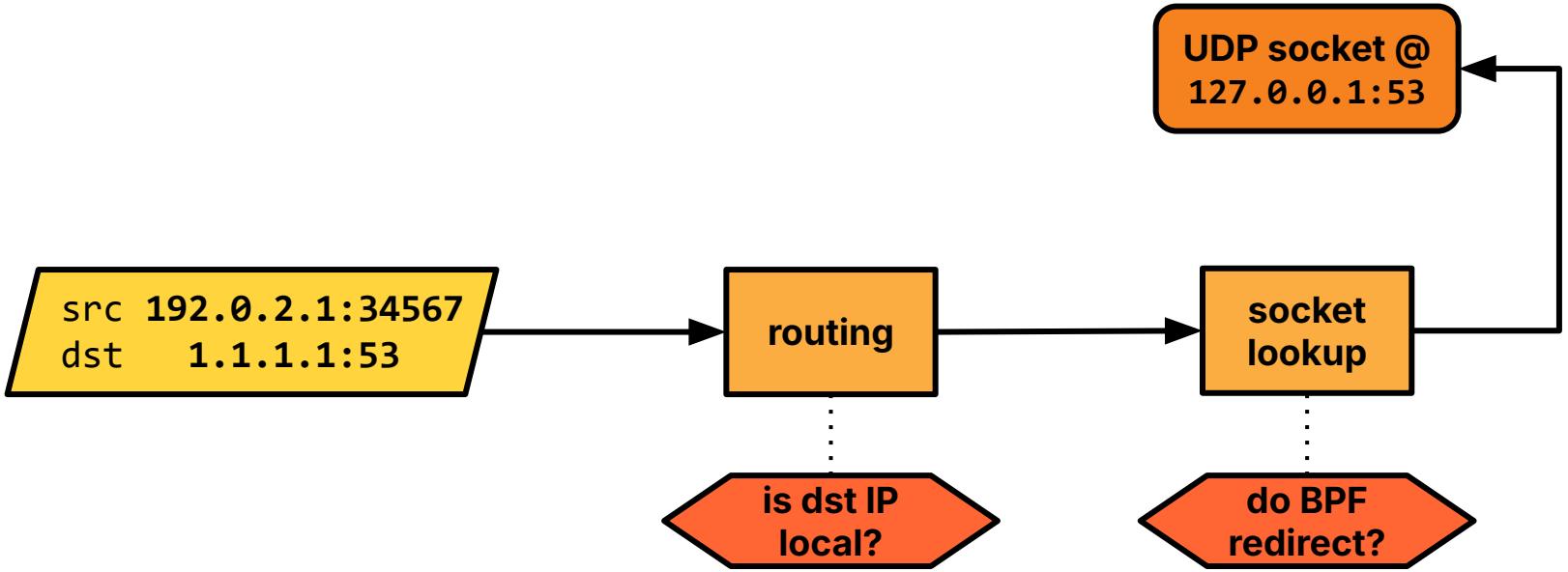
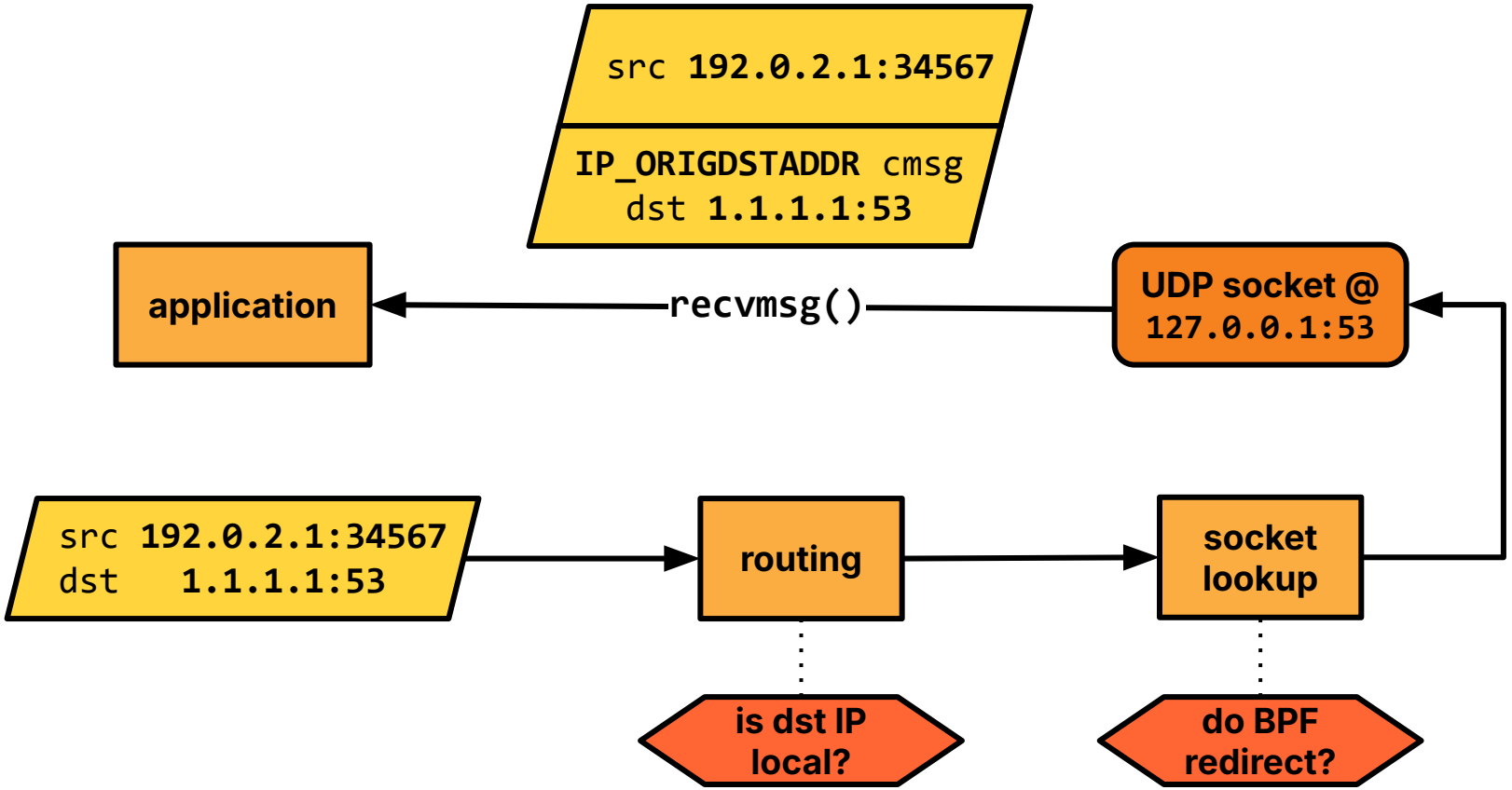
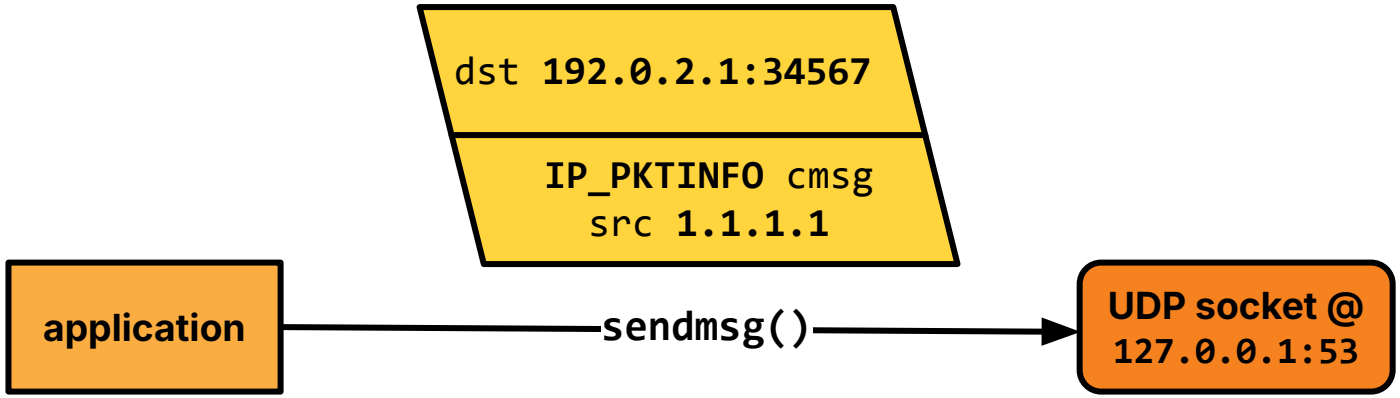
```
src 192.0.2.1:34567
dst   1.1.1.1:53
```

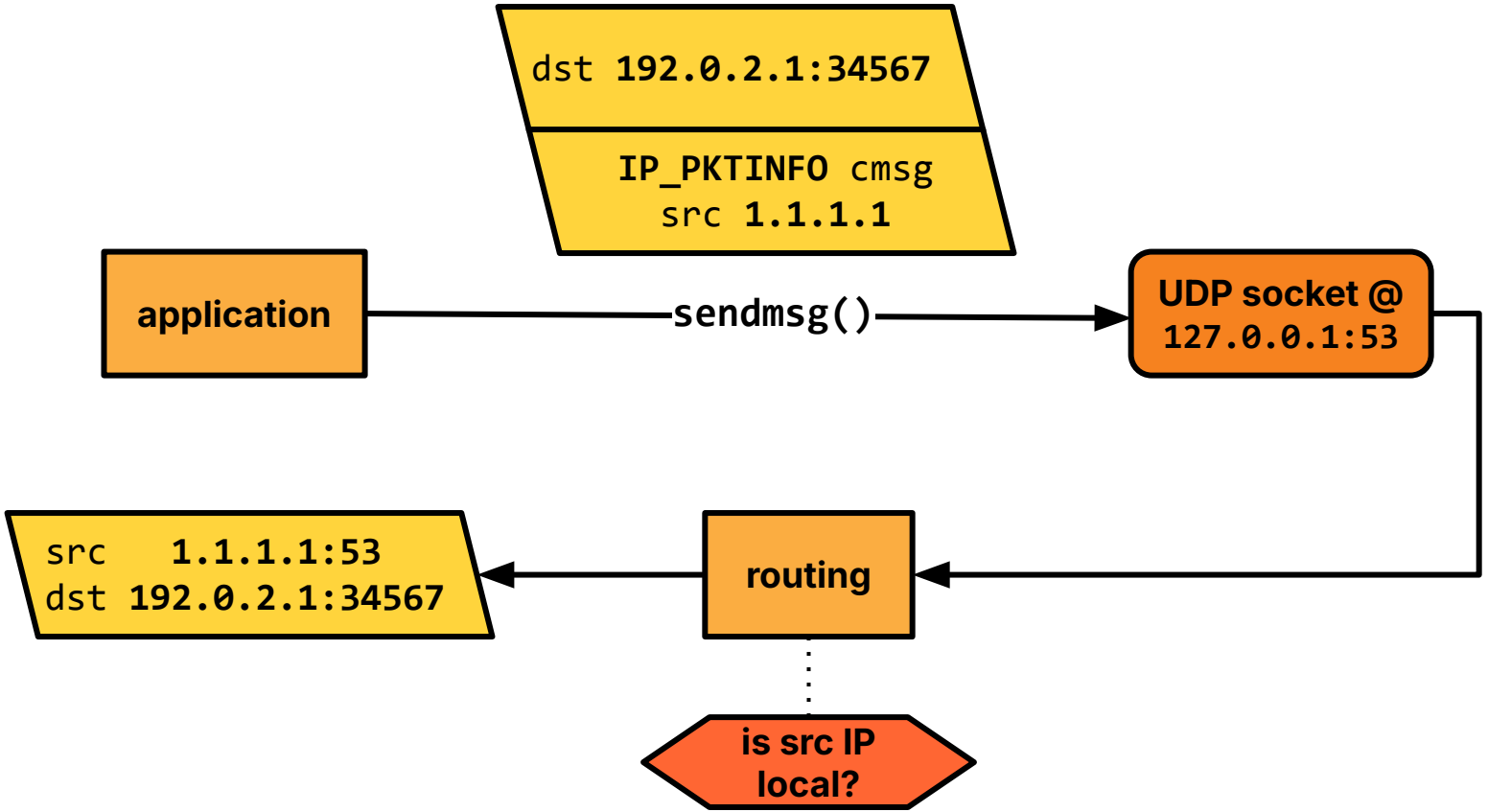

src 192.0.2.1:34567
dst 1.1.1.1:53
routing
is dst IP local?


src 192.0.2.1:34567
dst 1.1.1.1:53
routing
socket lookup
is dst IP local?
do BPF redirect?


UDP socket @
127.0.0.1:53
src 192.0.2.1:34567
dst 1.1.1.1:53
routing
socket lookup
is dst IP local?
do BPF redirect?
1.1.1.1:53 → 127.0.0.1:53


src 192.0.2.1:34567
IP_ORIGDSTADDR cmsg
dst 1.1.1.1:53
application
recvmsg()
UDP socket @
127.0.0.1:53
src 192.0.2.1:34567
dst 1.1.1.1:53
routing
socket
lookup
is dst IP
local?
do BPF
redirect?
1.1.1.1:53 → 127.0.0.1:53


dst 192.0.2.1:34567
IP_PKTINFO cmsg
src 1.1.1.1
application
sendmsg()
UDP socket @
127.0.0.1:53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IP_PKTINFO cmsg
src 1.1.1.1
application
sendmsg()
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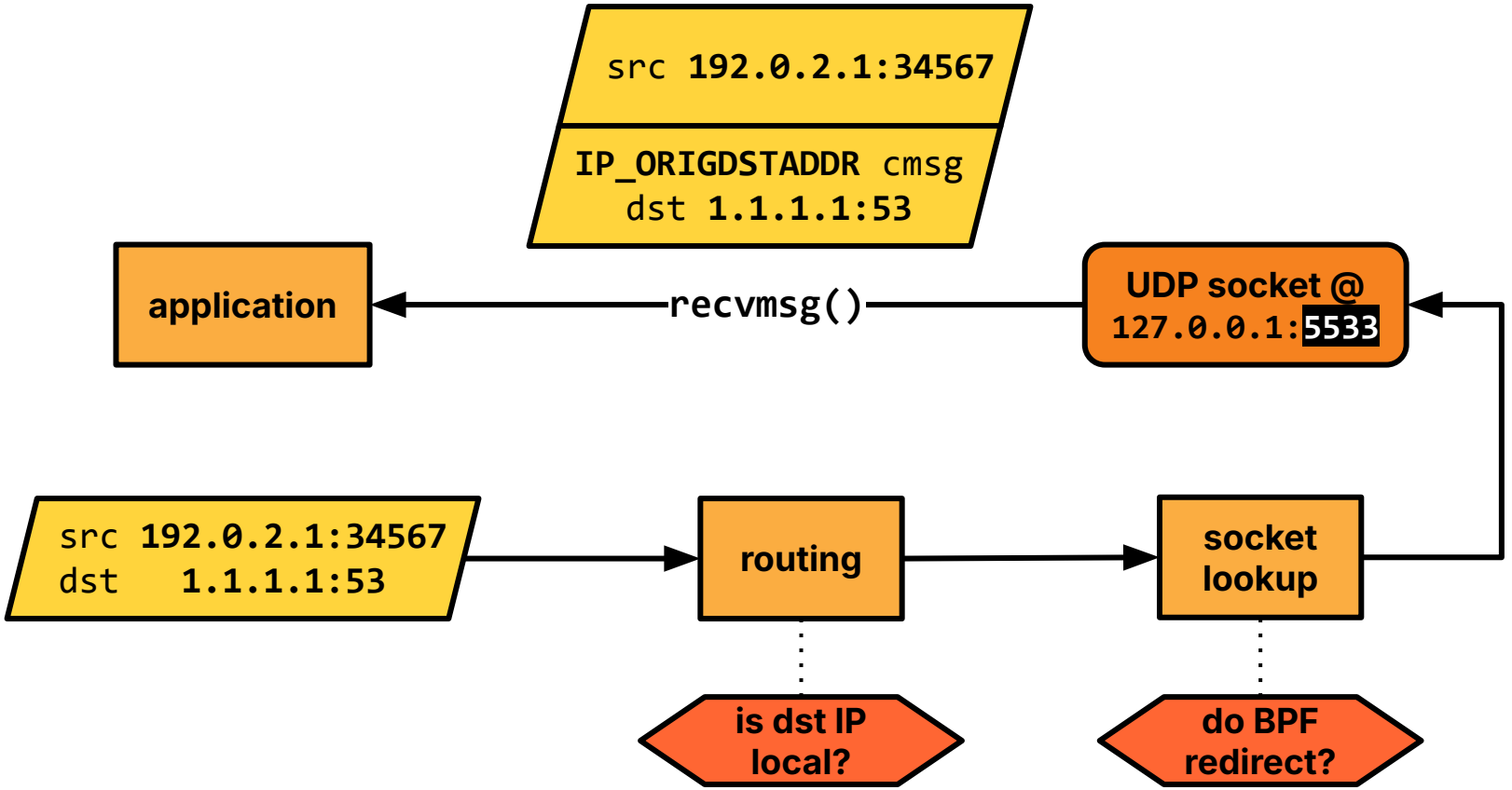
dst 192.0.2.1:34567
routing
is src IP
local?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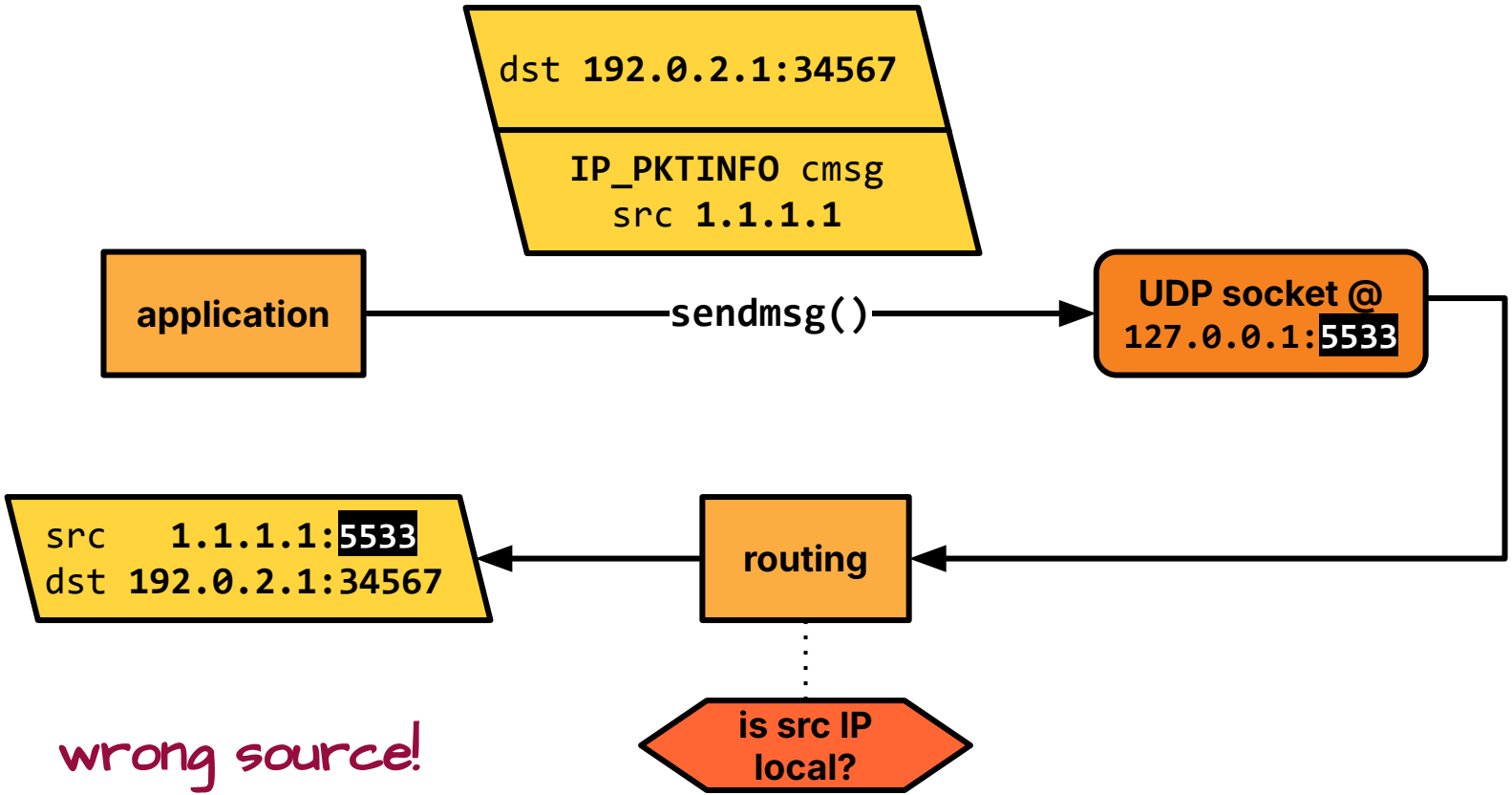
application
recvmsg()
UDP socket @
127.0.0.1:5533
src 192.0.2.1:34567
dst 1.1.1.1:53
routing
socket lookup
is dst IP local?
do BPF redirect?
1.1.1.1:53 → 127.0.0.1:5533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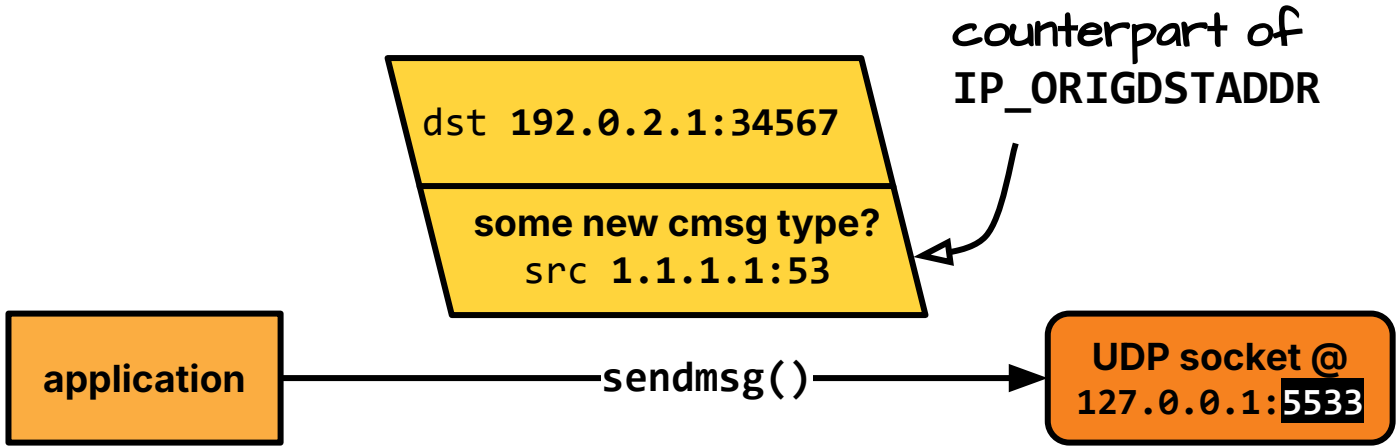
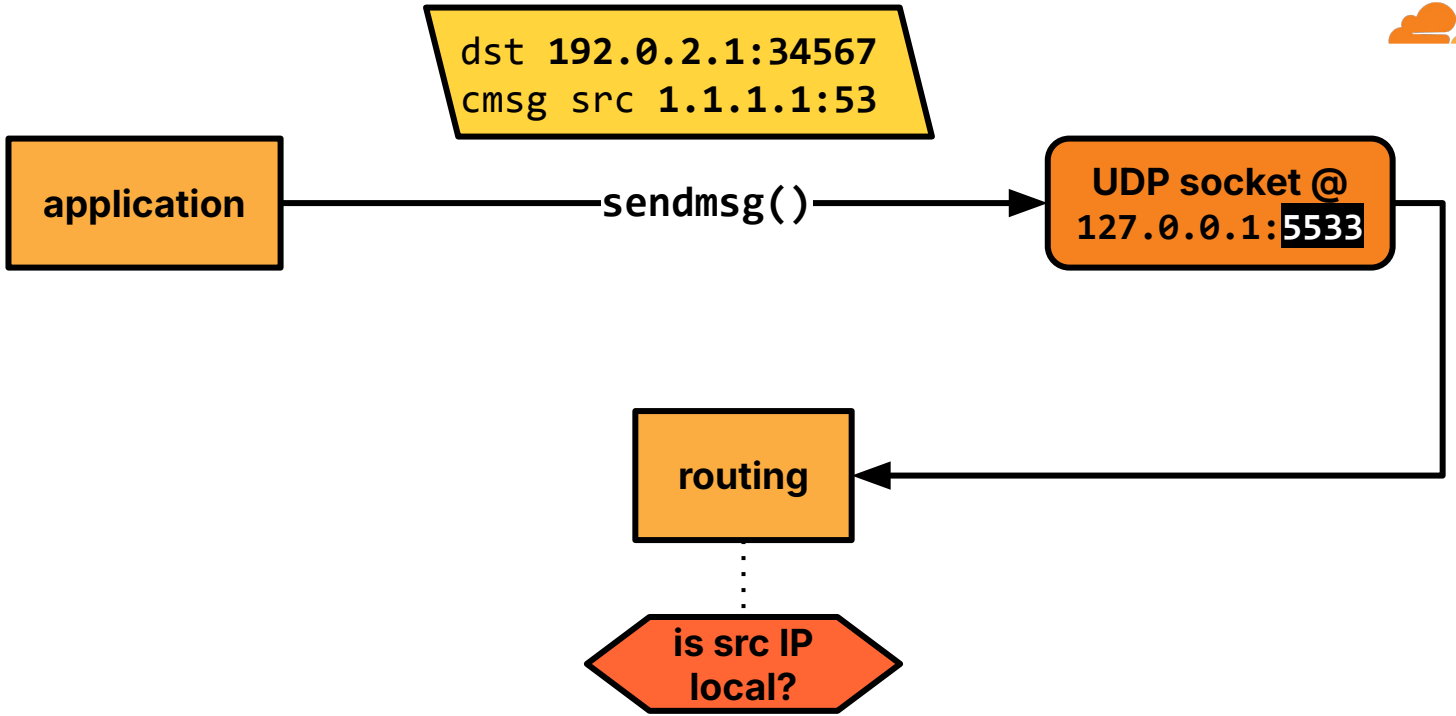
src 1.1.1.1
application
sendmsg()
UDP socket @
127.0.0.1:5533
src 1.1.1.1:5533
dst 192.0.2.1:34567
routing
is src IP
local?
wrong source!


counterpart of
IP_ORIGDSTADDR
dst 192.0.2.1:34567
some new cmsg type?
src 1.1.1.1:53
application
sendmsg()
UDP socket @
127.0.0.1:5533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routing
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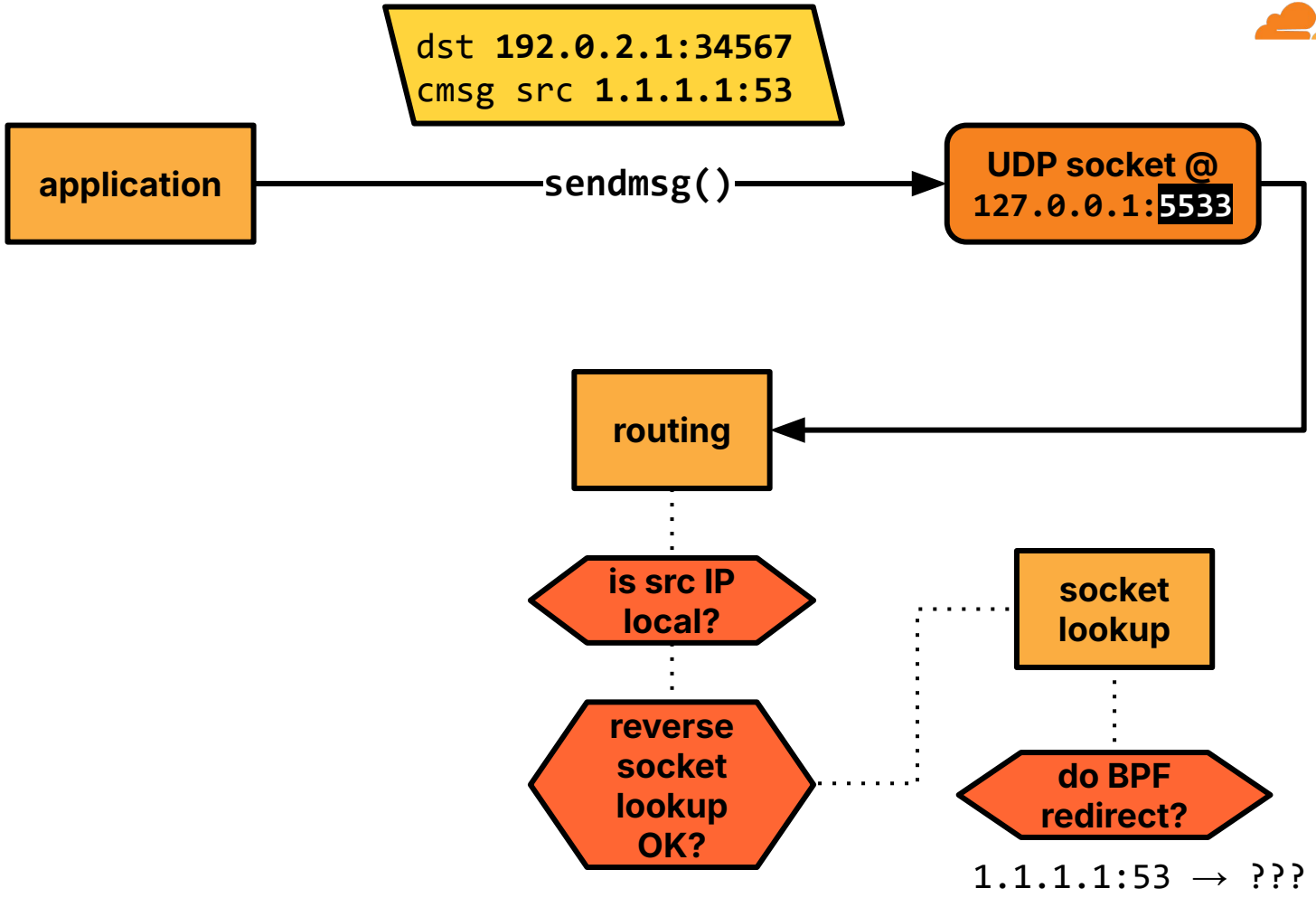
local?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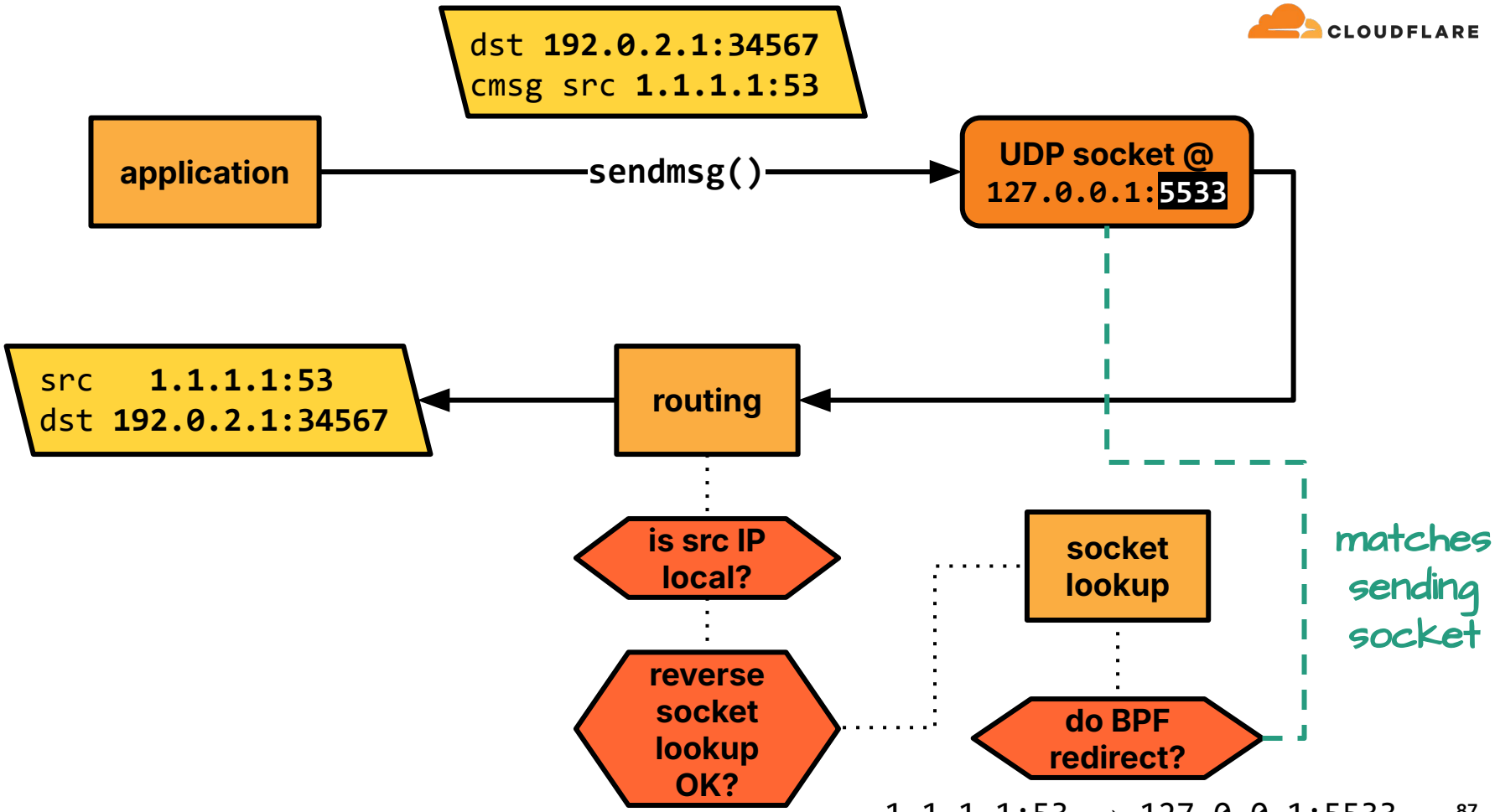
local?
reverse
socket
lookup
OK?
socket
lookup
do BPF
redirect?
1.1.1.1:53 → ???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application
sendmsg()
UDP socket @
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src 1.1.1.1:53
dst 192.0.2.1:34567
routing
is src IP
local?
reverse
socket
lookup
OK?
socket
lookup
do BPF
redirect?
matches
sending
socket
1.1.1.1:53 → 127.0.0.1:5533

Caveats?

```
7365  /* User accessible data for SK_LOOKUP programs. Add new fields at the end. */
7366  struct bpf_sk_lookup {
7367          union {
7368                  __bpf_md_ptr(struct bpf_sock *, sk); /* Selected socket */
7369                  __u64 cookie; /* Non-zero if socket was selected in PROG_TEST_RUN */
7370          };
7371
7372          __u32 family;           /* Protocol family (AF_INET, AF_INET6) */
7373          __u32 protocol;         /* IP protocol (IPPROTO_TCP, IPPROTO_UDP) */
7374          __u32 remote_ip4;       /* Network byte order */
7375          __u32 remote_ip6[4];    /* Network byte order */
7376          __be16 remote_port;     /* Network byte order */
7377          __u16 :16;              /* Zero padding */
7378          __u32 local_ip4;        /* Network byte order */
7379          __u32 local_ip6[4];     /* Network byte order */
7380          __u32 local_port;       /* Host byte order */
7381          __u32 ingress_ifindex;          /* The arriving interface. Determined by inet_iif. */
7382  };
```

missing during reverse socket lookup
do we just fill it with egress ifindex?
what if we have asymmetric routing?

https://elixir.bootlin.com/linux/v6.10/source/include/uapi/linux/bpf.h#L7365

📨 RFC posted to netdev

[RFC PATCH 0/3] Allow sk_lookup UDP return traffic to egress.
https://lore.kernel.org/r/20240913-reverse-sk-lookup-v1-0-e721ea003d4c@cloudflare.com

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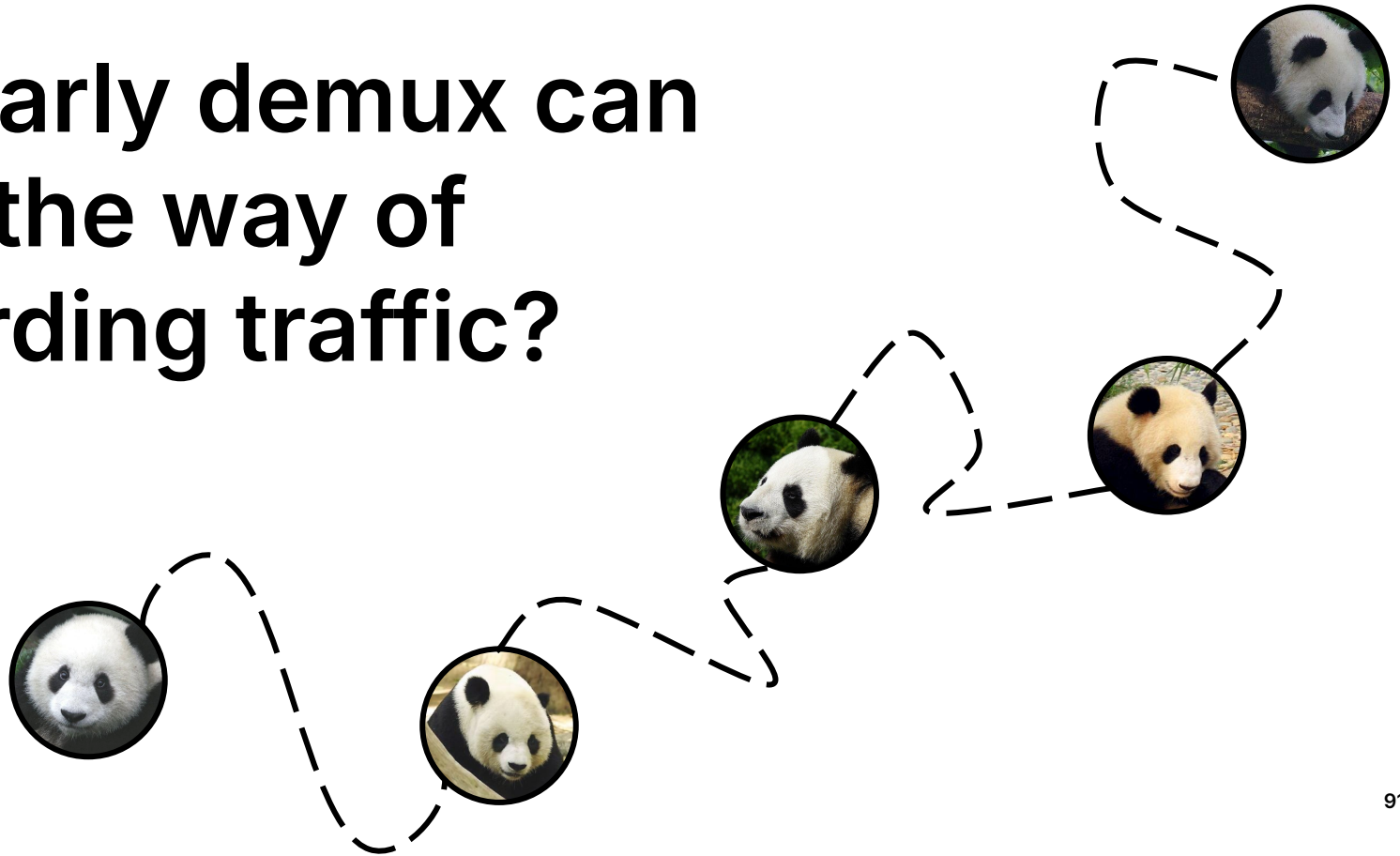
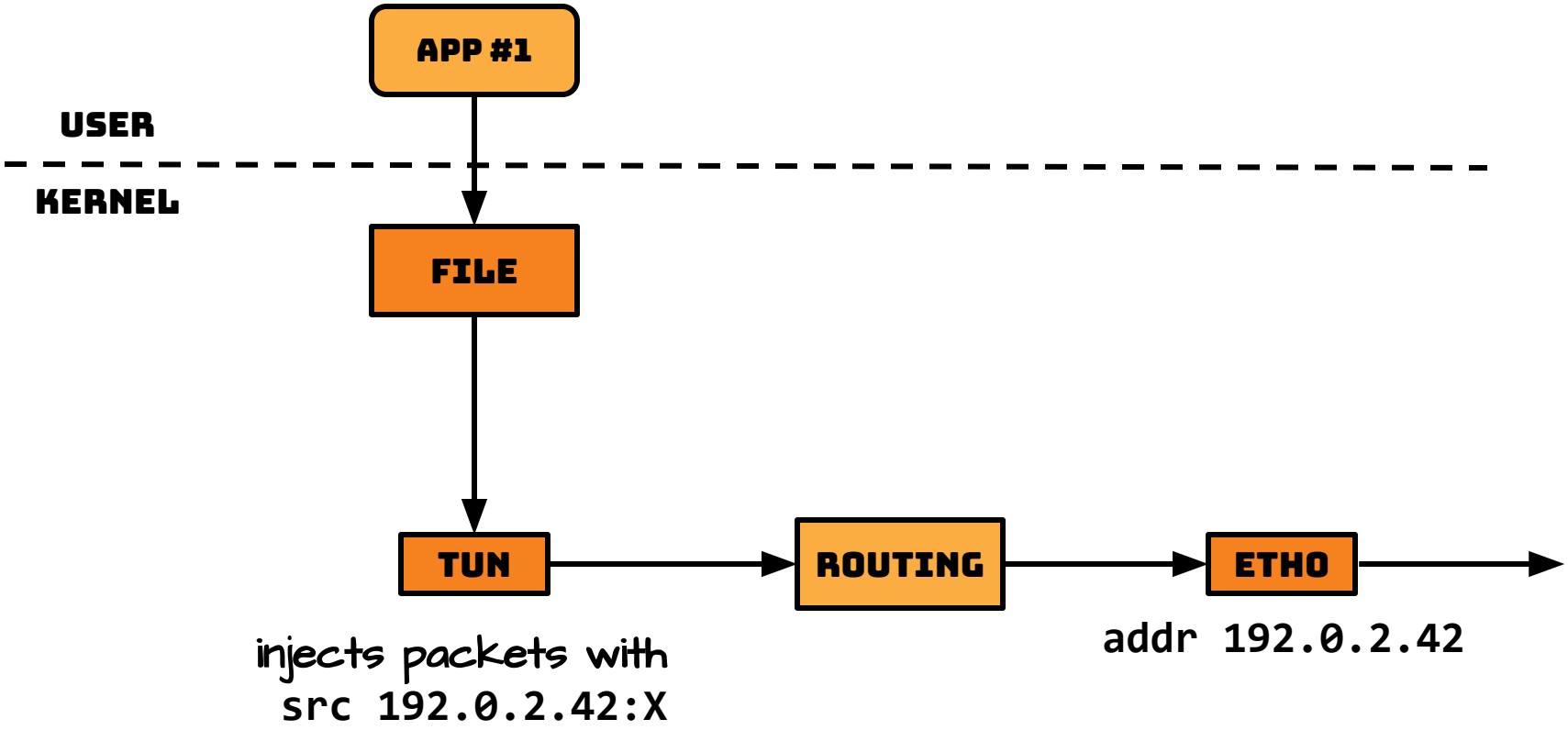
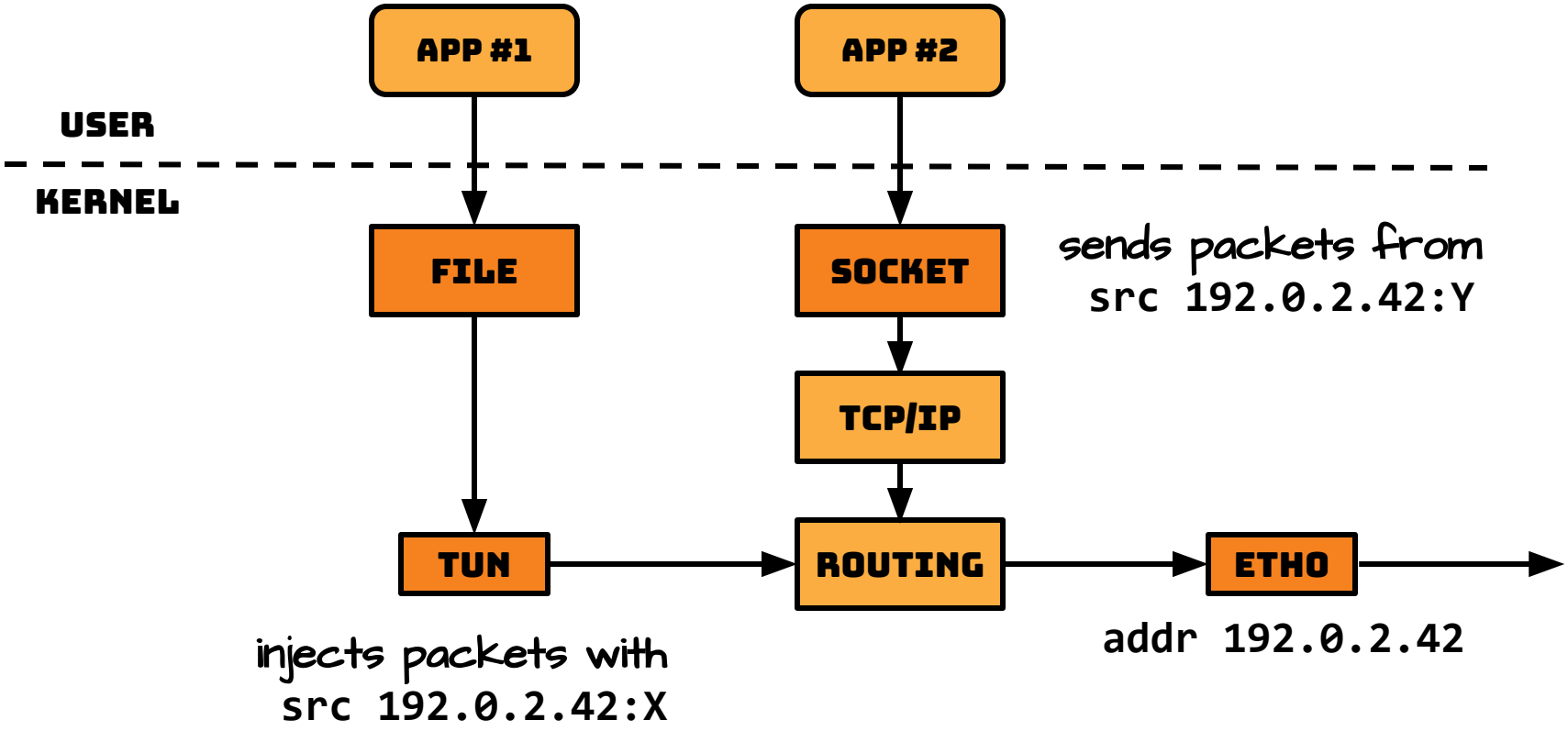
❺ How early demux can get in the way of forwarding traffic?




APP #1
USER
KERNEL
FILE
TUN
ROUTING
ETH0
injects packets with
src 192.0.2.42:X
addr 192.0.2.42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APP #2
USER
KERNEL
FILE
SOCKET
sends packets from
src 192.0.2.42:Y
TCP/IP
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injects packets with
src 192.0.2.42:X
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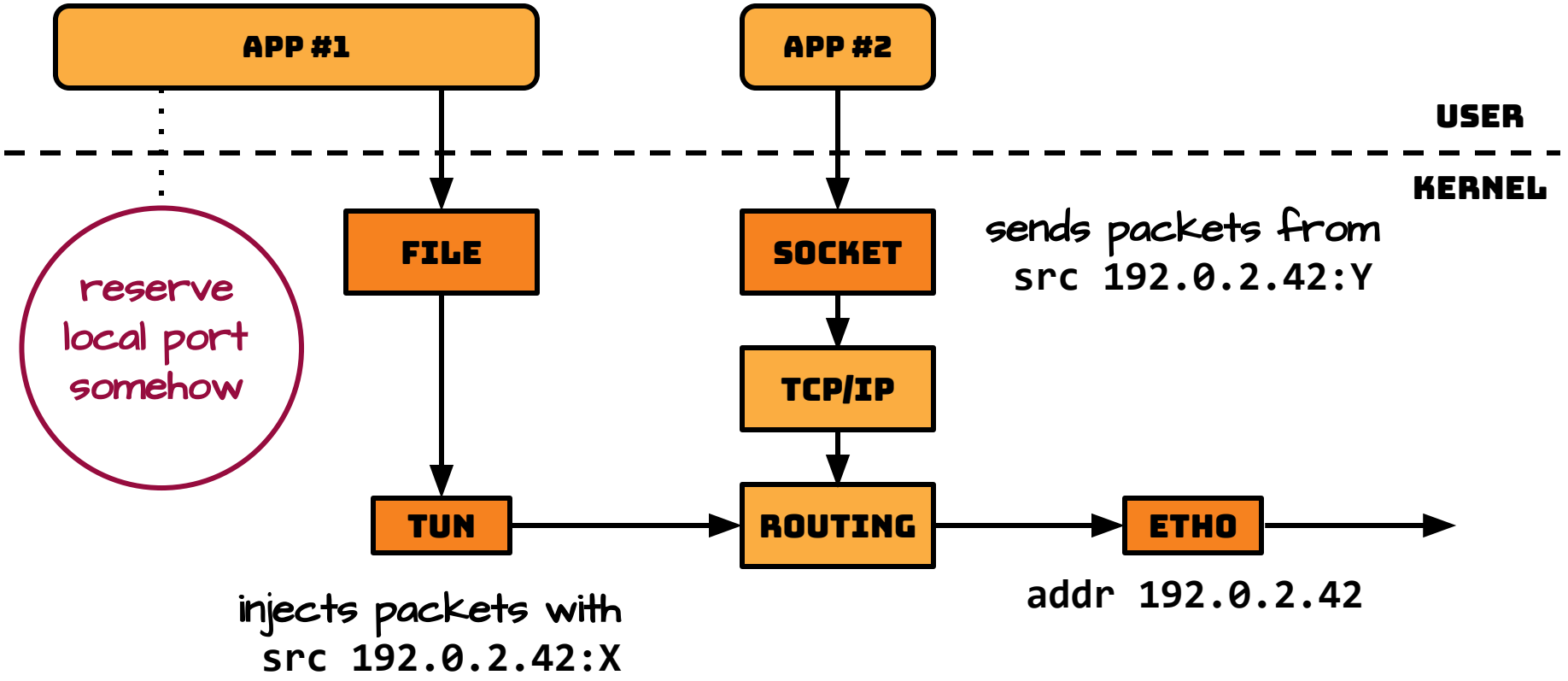
Goals:

1. guarantee that we won't have a local port clash

   ```
   src port X != src port Y
   ```

2. app #2 delegates local port search to the kernel

   ```
   setsockopt(IP_BIND_ADDRESS_NO_PORT)
   bind(192.0.2.42, 0)
   connect(...)
   ```


APP #1
APP #2
USER
KERNEL
reserve local port somehow
FILE
SOCKET
sends packets from src 192.0.2.42:Y
TCP/IP
TUN
ROUTING
ETH0
injects packets with src 192.0.2.42:X
addr 192.0.2.42

How to reserve a local TCP port without sending anything?

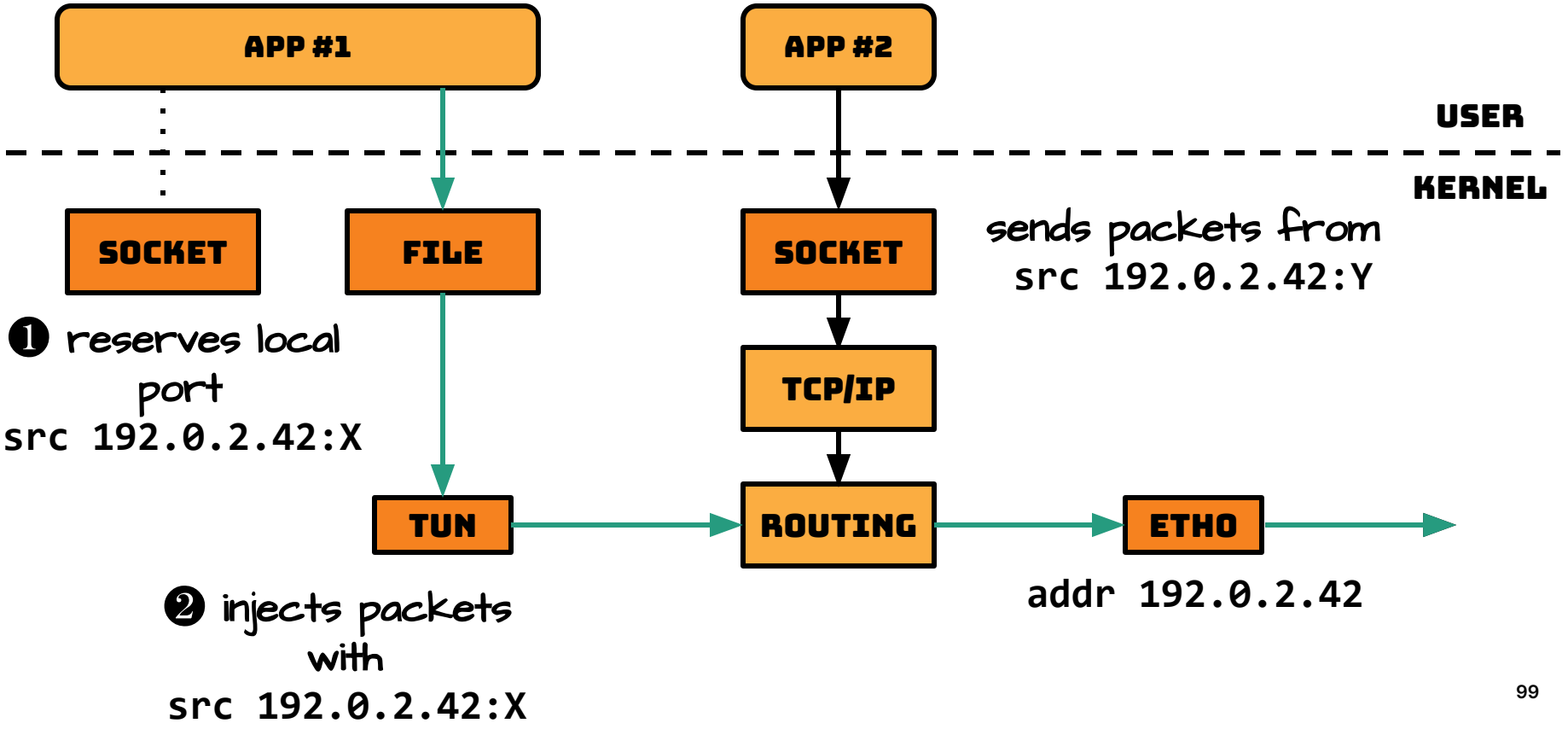
```
IP_BIND_ADDRESS_NO_PORT = 24
TCP_FASTOPEN_CONNECT = 30
TCP_FASTOPEN_NO_COOKIE = 34

s = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM)
s.setsockopt(SOL_IP, IP_BIND_ADDRESS_NO_PORT, 1)
s.setsockopt(SOL_TCP, TCP_FASTOPEN_CONNECT, 1)
s.setsockopt(SOL_TCP, TCP_FASTOPEN_NO_COOKIE, 1)

s.bind(('192.0.2.42', 0))
s.connect(('1.1.1.1', 53))
```

3WHS delayed until first `send()`

```
~ # ss -tanp dst 1.1.1.1
State    Recv-Q Send-Q      Local Address:Port  Peer Address:Port Process
SYN-SENT 0      [REDACTED]     192.0.2.42:54378      1.1.1.1:53   users:(("python3",pid=894397,fd=3))
~ #
```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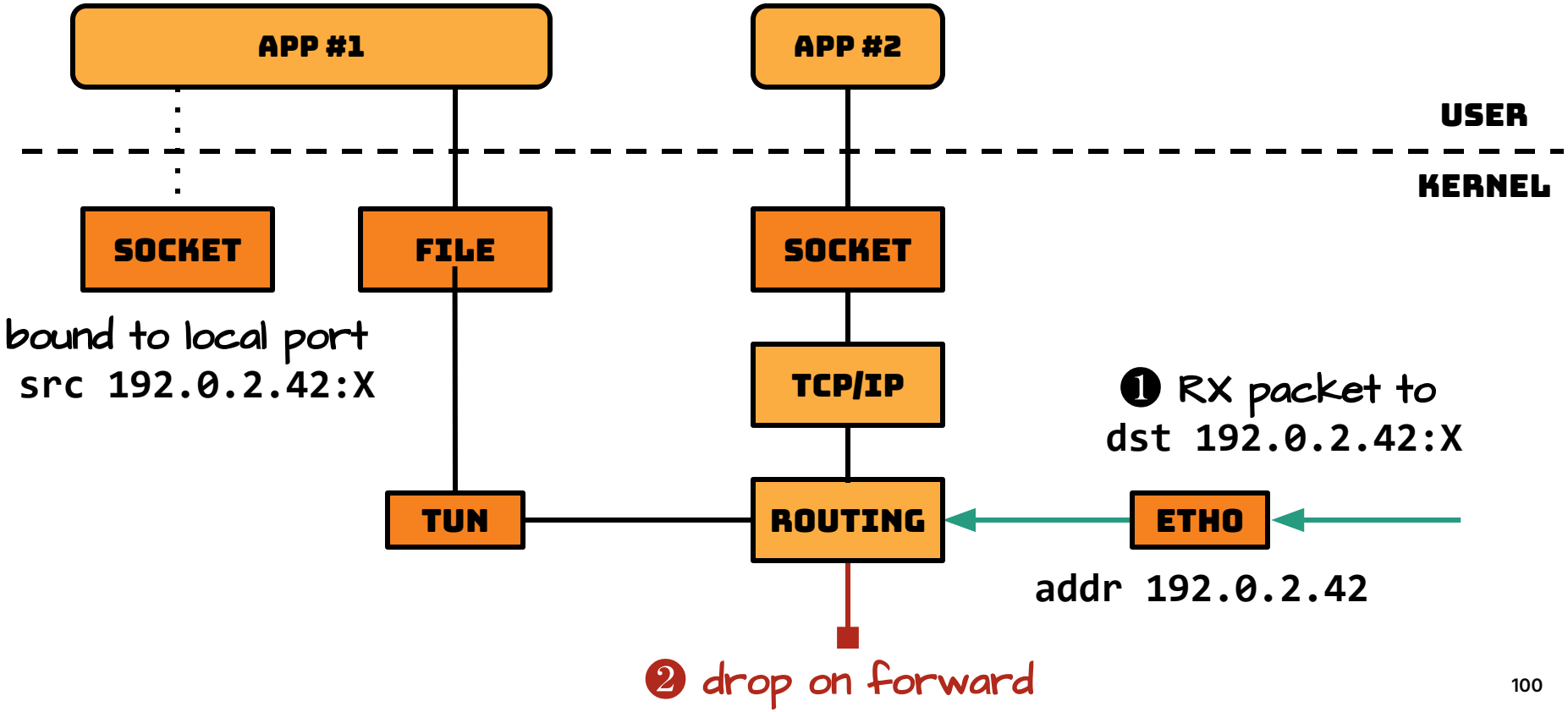
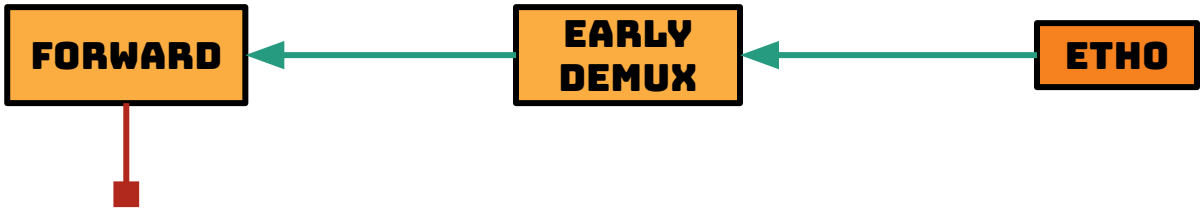
USER
KERNEL
SOCKET
FILE
SOCKET
sends packets from
src 192.0.2.42:Y
❶ reserves local
port
src 192.0.2.42:X
TCP/IP
TUN
ROUTING
ETH0
addr 192.0.2.42
❷ injects packets
with
src 192.0.2.42:X


APP #1
APP #2
USER
KERNEL
SOCKET
FILE
SOCKET
bound to local port
src 192.0.2.42:X
TCP/IP
❶ RX packet to
dst 192.0.2.42:X
TUN
ROUTING
ETH0
addr 192.0.2.42
❷ drop on forward

What is happening?

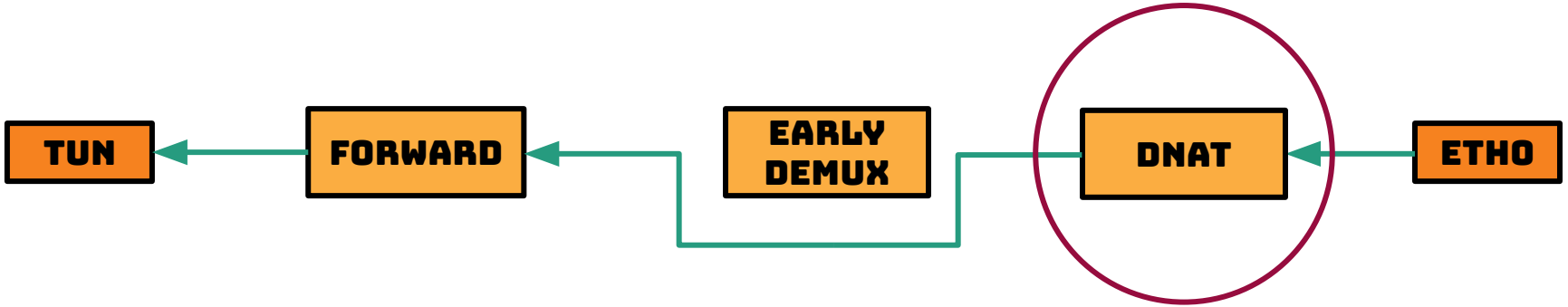
```
if skb->sk is set:
    drop skb
```

```
skb->sk = TCP socket
          (port holder)
```

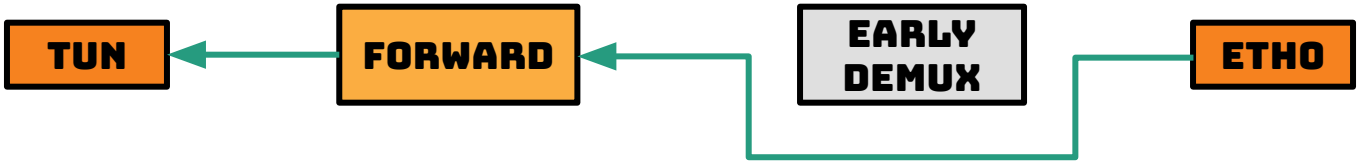


NOTE: Setup also requires an `ip rule` to override local delivery

Workaround #1 - Hide flows from early demux



Workaround #2 - Disable early demux




```
sysctl -w net.ipv4.tcp_early_demux=0
```

Workaround #2 - Disable early demux

+0.5% CPU time penalty

IDEA

Add `setsockopt(SOL_IP, IP_EARLY_DEMUX, 0)`

Allow for a finer control than `ip_early_demux` sysctl

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Thank you

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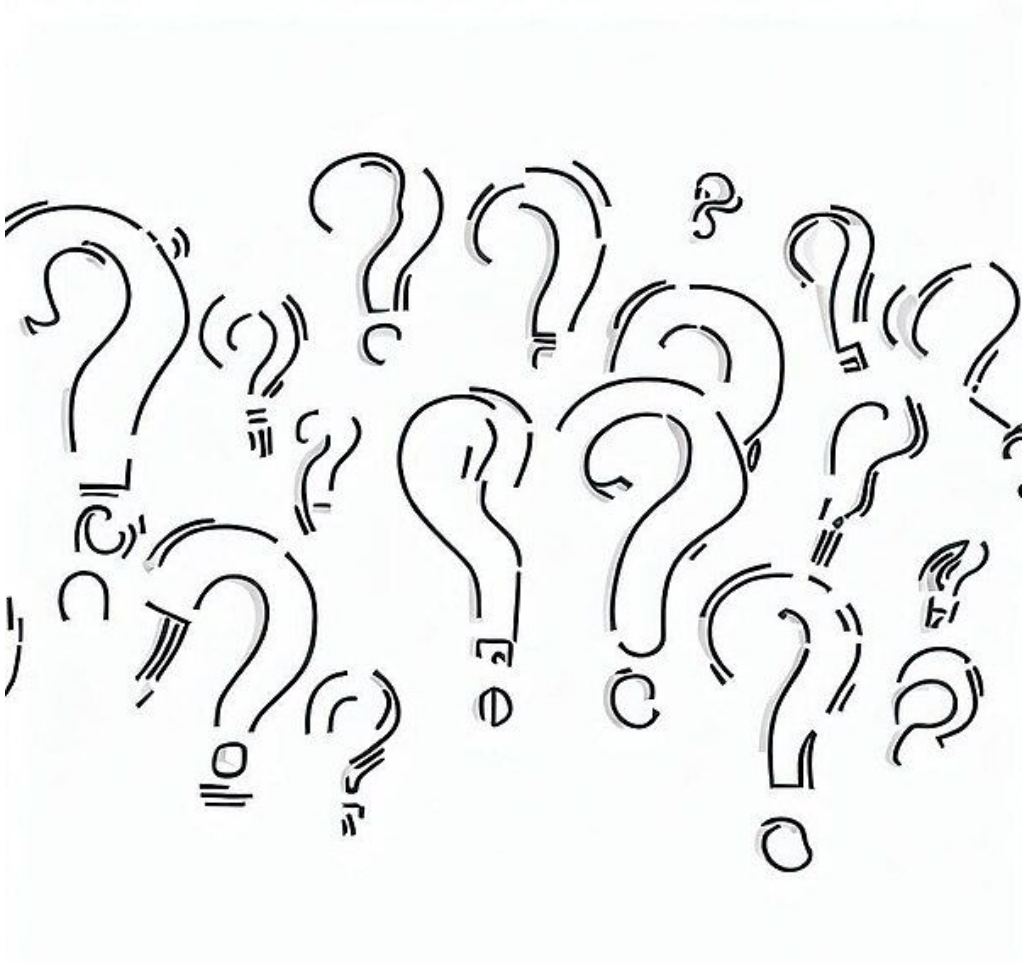

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