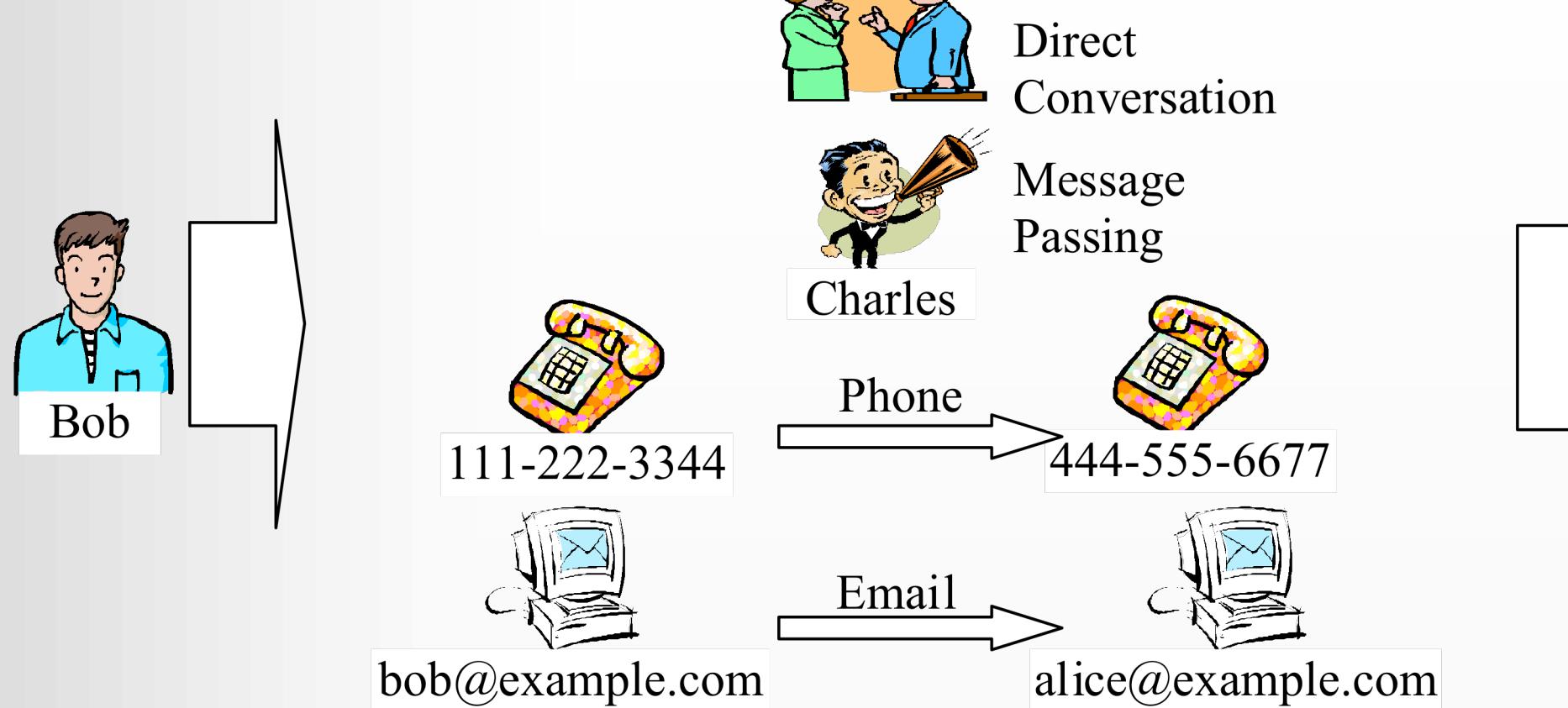


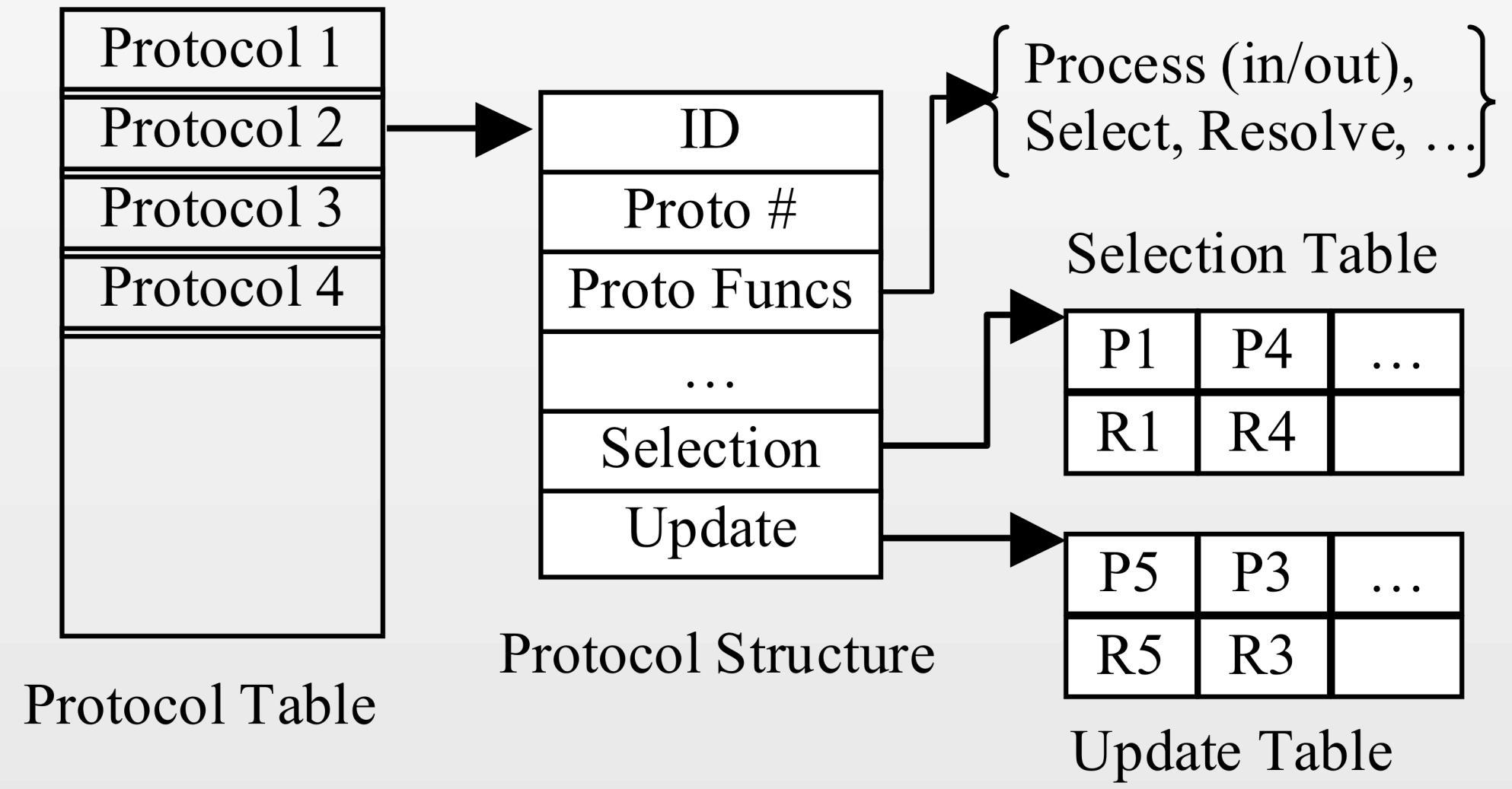
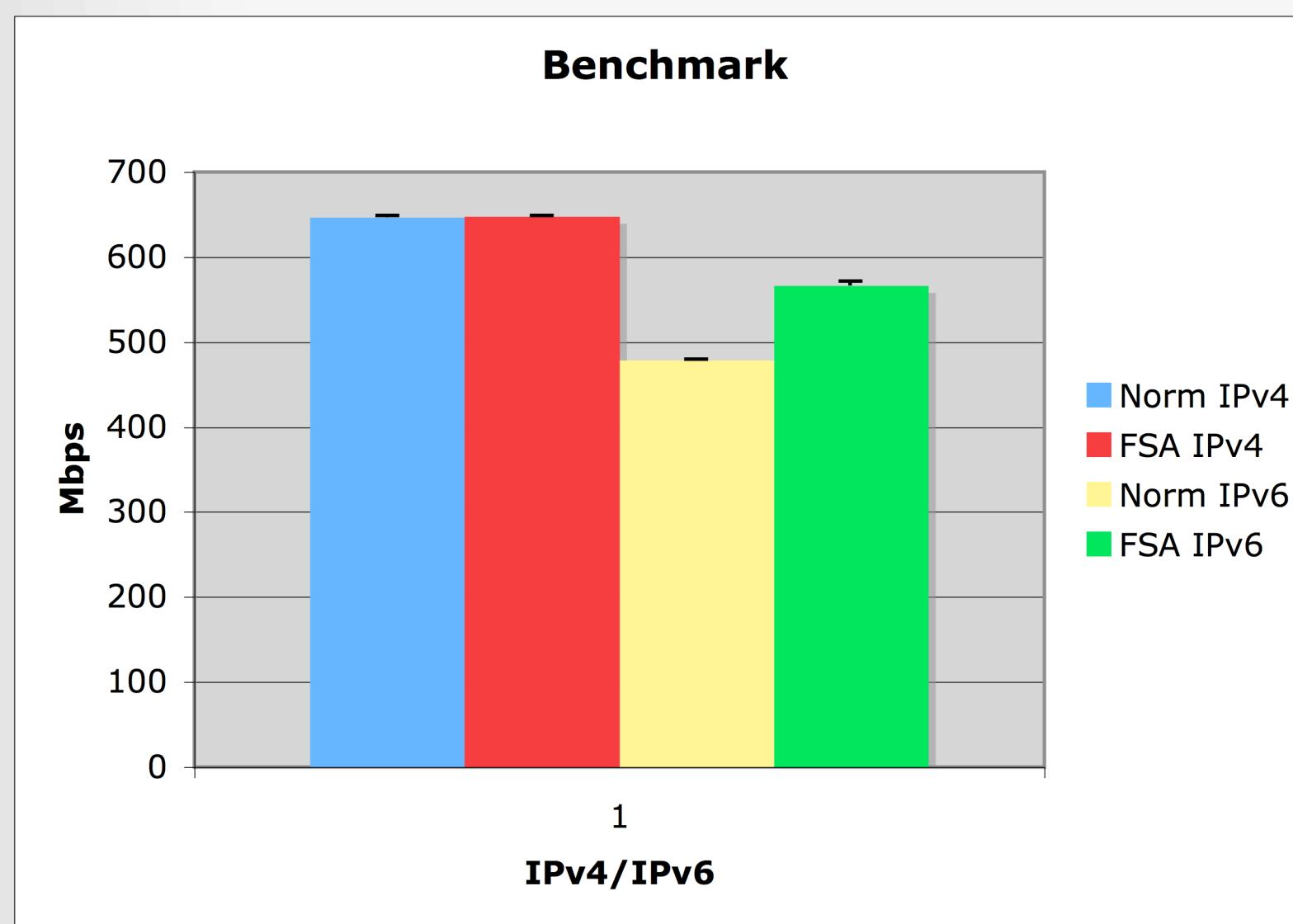


Flexible Stack Architecture - Communication with Choices



Communication Model w/ Choices

```
C(Δ, S, D, I) {
    (I', L') := P(Δ, S, D, I); /*process*/
    while(L' ≠ D) {
        Δ' := S(Δ, S, D); /*select*/
        (S', D') := R(Δ, Δ', S, D); /*resolve*/
        C(Δ', S', D', I'); /*recurse*/
        L' := R⁻¹(Δ, Δ', D');
    end_while
    return success;
}
```



Communication with Choices

- Next layer protocols
- Next hop or region
- Resolution mechanisms
- Resolution results

“Layer” Template

- Apply protocol processing
- Verify current location
- Select next available protocol
- Resolve new source & destination
- Enter the new protocol

Flexible Stack Architecture

- Resolution = Glue between Layers
- Dynamic selection of next protocols
- Runtime protocol plug-in & detachment
- Experiment new & modified protocols
- Support flexible selection policies
- Support concurrent or serialization of mechanisms (selection/resolution)

FSA Prototype:

- FreeBSD CURRENT: INET4 Stack with IPv6, ICMP6, & UDP6 modules (KLMs)